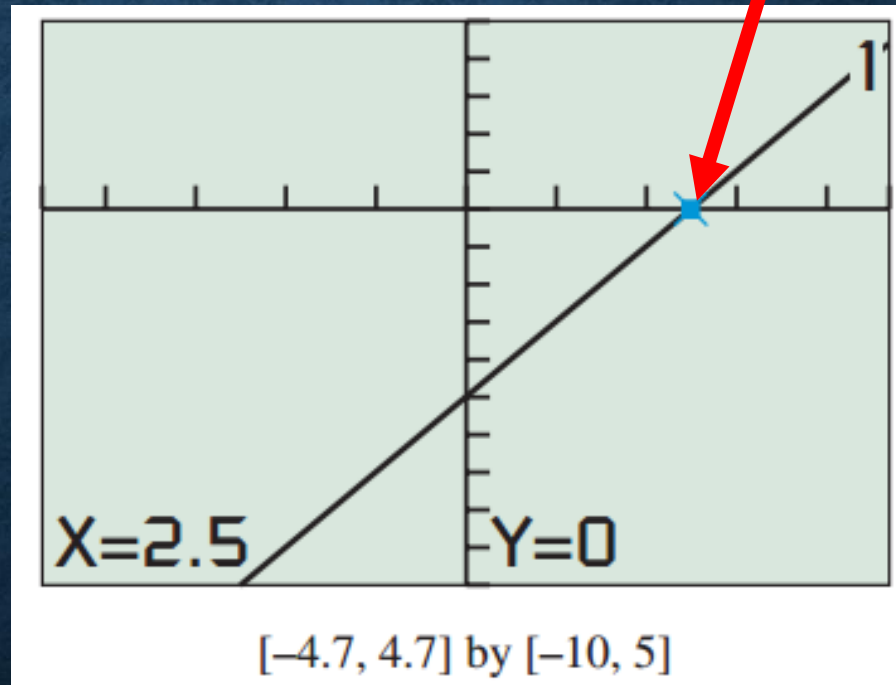


**Solving an equation graphically!**

$$2x - 5 = 0$$

**Substitute  $y$  for 0 and graph the function!**

**Find the zero or “root” of the function!**



## Solving by Finding x-Intercepts

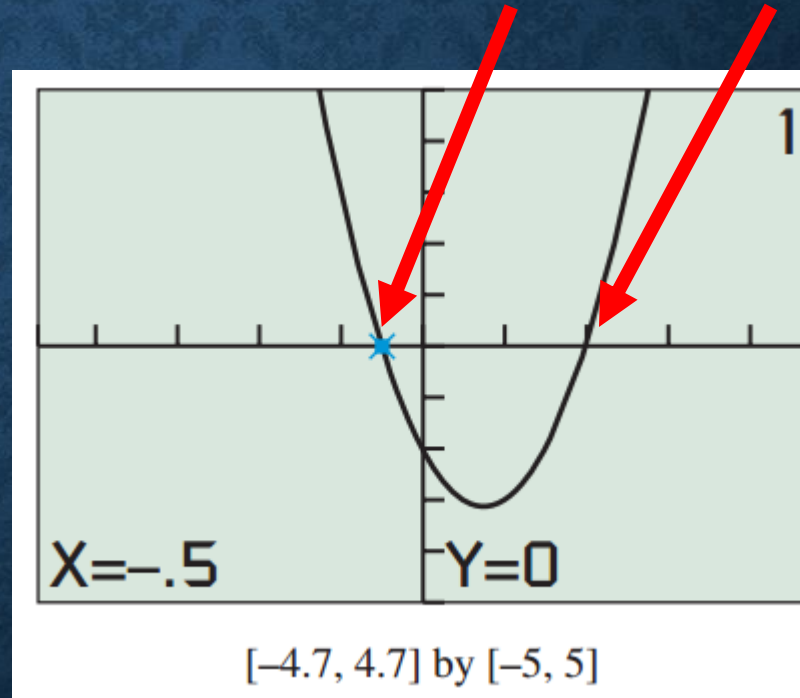
Solve the equation  $2x^2 - 3x - 2 = 0$  graphically.

$$y = 2x^2 - 3x - 2$$

Substitute  $y$  for 0 and  
graph the function!

Algebraically.....

Find the x-intercepts function!



## Zero Factor Property

Let  $a$  and  $b$  be real numbers.

If  $ab = 0$ , then  $a = 0$  or  $b = 0$ .

### DEFINITION Quadratic Equation in $x$

A **quadratic equation in  $x$**  is one that can be written in the form

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0,$$

where  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  are real numbers with  $a \neq 0$ .



## **SQUARE ROOT PRINCIPLE**

If  $t^2 = K > 0$ , then  $t = \sqrt{K}$  or  $t = -\sqrt{K}$ .

### **Solving by Extracting Square Roots**

Solve  $(2x - 1)^2 = 9$  algebraically.

## Completing the Square

To solve  $x^2 + bx = c$  by **completing the square**, add  $(b/2)^2$  to both sides of the equation and factor the left side of the new equation.

$$x^2 + bx + \left(\frac{b}{2}\right)^2 = c + \left(\frac{b}{2}\right)^2$$

$$\left(x + \frac{b}{2}\right)^2 = c + \frac{b^2}{4}$$

## **Solving by Completing the Square**

Solve  $4x^2 - 20x + 17 = 0$  by completing the square.