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Ex) A rock is knocked off a cliff into a river. The function  $h(t) = -16t^2 + 40$  models the height of the rock, in feet, after  $t$  seconds. *vertex form*

a) When will the rock hit the surface of the water? *time? h(t) height*

$t = ?$  when  $h(t) = 0$  ft

$h(t) = -16t^2 + 40$

$0 = -16t^2 + 40$

$+16t^2 + 16t^2$

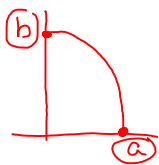
$\frac{16t^2}{16} = \frac{40}{16}$

$t^2 = \frac{40}{16}$

$\sqrt{t^2} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{40}{16}}$

$t = -\sqrt{\frac{40}{16}}, t = \sqrt{\frac{40}{16}}$

$\text{2nd } \sqrt{(40 \div 16)} =$



b) What is the rock's maximum height and when does it reach this height?

$\text{vertex} = (h, k) = (t, h(t))$

$h(t) = -16t^2 + 40$  *vertex form*

$h(t) = -16(t-0)^2 + 40$

$\text{vertex} = (0, 40)$   
*sec feet*

The rock's maximum height is 40 feet when it is knocked off the cliff.

~~$t \approx -1.58$~~   $t \approx 1.58$   
*sec sec*

*no negative time*

The rock hits the surface of the water after about 1.58 seconds.

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c) When will the rock reach a height of 10 feet?

$t = ?$  when  $h(t) = 10$  feet

$$h(t) = -16t^2 + 40$$

$$10 = -16t^2 + 40$$

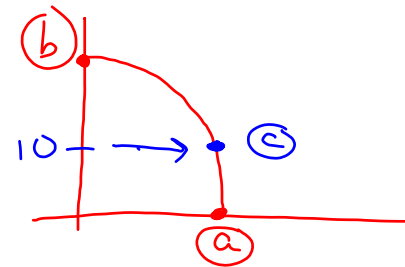
$$+16t^2 - 10 \quad +16t^2 - 10$$


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~~$t \approx -1.37$~~   $t \approx 1.37$  sec  
no negative time

The rock will reach a height of about 1.37 seconds.

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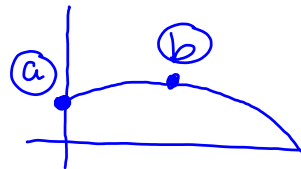
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vertex form

a) What is the baseball's height when it is hit?

$h(x) = ?$  when  
 $x = 0$  feet



$$h(0) = -0.05(0 - 25)^2 + 35$$

$$= 3.75 \text{ feet}$$

height

The baseball's height is 3.75 feet when it is hit.

b) What is the maximum height the baseball will reach and when does it reach this height?

vertex =  $(h, k) = (x, h(x))$

vertex =  $(25, 35)$

horiz. dist.      max height

The maximum height of the baseball is 35 feet after traveling 25 feet horizontally.

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c) How far will the ball have traveled horizontally when it is 8 feet above the ground?

$$\begin{aligned}
 & x = ? \text{ when } h(x) = 8 \text{ ft} \\
 & h(x) = -0.05(x-25)^2 + 35 \\
 & \downarrow \\
 & 8 = -0.05(x-25)^2 + 35 \\
 & \underline{-35} \qquad \qquad \underline{-35} \\
 & -27 = -0.05(x-25)^2 \\
 & \underline{-0.05} \qquad \underline{-0.05} \\
 & 540 = (x-25)^2 \\
 & \pm\sqrt{540} = \sqrt{(x-25)^2} \\
 & \pm\sqrt{540} = x - 25 \\
 & \underline{+25} \qquad \qquad \underline{+25}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$x = 25 \pm \sqrt{540}$$

$$x = 25 + \sqrt{540}, x = 25 - \sqrt{540}$$

$$25 + 2^{\text{nd}}\sqrt{(540)} =$$

$$x \approx 48.24 \text{ ft}, x \approx 1.76 \text{ ft}$$



The baseball is at a height of 8 feet after traveling about 1.76 feet horizontally and again after traveling about 48.24 feet.

d) How far has the ball traveled when it hits the ground?

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{height} = 0 \\
 & x = ? \text{ when } h(x) = 0 \text{ feet} \\
 & 0 = -0.05(x-25)^2 + 35 \\
 & \underline{-35} \qquad \qquad \underline{-35} \\
 & -35 = -0.05(x-25)^2 \\
 & \underline{-0.05} \qquad \underline{-0.05} \\
 & 700 = (x-25)^2 \\
 & \pm\sqrt{700} = \sqrt{(x-25)^2} \\
 & \pm\sqrt{700} = x - 25 \\
 & \underline{+25} \qquad \qquad \underline{+25} \\
 & x = 25 \pm \sqrt{700} \\
 & x = 25 + \sqrt{700}, x = 25 - \sqrt{700}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$x \approx 51.46 \text{ ft}, x \approx -1.46 \text{ ft}$$

no neg. ft

The baseball has traveled about 51.46 feet when it hits the ground.

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Closure

The height of a rocket, in feet,  $t$  seconds after being launched can be modeled by the function  $h(t) = -16(t - 5.2)^2 + 437$ . In what type of problem would you solve  $h(t) = 0$  and in what type of problem would you solve  $h(0) = ?$ .

You would solve  $h(t) = 0$  to find when the rocket hit the ground. You would solve  $h(0) = ?$  to find the height of the rocket when it was launched.

