Modeling with Quadratic Functions

IB Math SL1 - Santowski

(A) Example 1

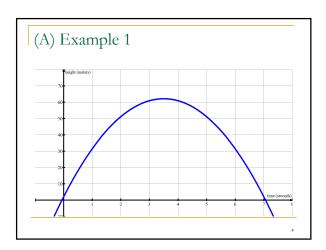
- The formula for the height, h in meters, of an object launched into the air as a function of its time in flight, t in seconds, is given by is h(t) = -½ gt² + v₀t + h₀
- g represents the acceleration due to gravity which is about 9.8 m/s², v₀ refers to the launch velocity in m/s and h₀ represents the initial launch height in m.

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- If a projectile has an initial velocity of 34.3 m/s and is launched 2.1 m above the ground, graphically determine:
- (1) the equation that you will enter into the TI-84
- (2) the time at which the projectile reaches the maximum height
- (3) the maximum height reached by the projectile
- (4) h(2)
- (5) h⁻¹(12)
- (6) state the domain and range of the relation and explain WHY
- (7) the x-intercepts and their significance
- (8) the total time of flight of the projectile

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(B) Example 2

- Determine the flight time of a projectile whose height, h(t) in meters, varies with time, t in seconds, as per the following formula: h(t) = -5t² + 15t + 50
- (a) Determine a reasonable domain for the function. What does it mean in context?
- (b) What is the range? What does it mean in context?
- (c) Does the projectile attain a height of 70m?
- (d) Determine the maximum height of the projectile?
- (e) When does the object reach this height?
- (f) When does the projectile attain a height of 60 meters?

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(C) Example 3

- The path of a baseball thrown at a batter by Mr S is modeled by the equation $h(d) = -0.004d^2 + 0.06d + 2$, where h is the height in m and d is the horizontal distance of the ball in meters from the batter.
 - a (a) what is the maximum height reached by the baseball?
 - (b) What is the horizontal distance of the ball from the batter when the ball reaches its maximum height?
 - c) How far from the ground is the ball when I release the pitch?
 - (d) How high above the ground is the ball when the ball reaches the batter if she stands

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(D) Example 4

The cost per hour of running a bus between Burlington and Toronto is modelled by the function $C(x) = 0.0029x^2 - 0.48x + 142$, where x is the speed of the bus in kilometres per hour, and the cost, C, is in dollars. Determine the most cost-efficient speed for the bus and the cost per hour at this speed.

(E) Example 5

Sasha wants to build a walkway of uniform width around a rectangular flower bed that measures 20m x 30m. Her budget is \$6000 and it will cost her \$10/m² to construct the path. How wide will the walkway be?

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(E) Example 5

Student council plans to hold a talent show to raise money for charity. Last year, they sold tickets for \$11 each and 400 people attended. Student council decides to raise ticket prices for this year's talent show. The council has determined that for every \$1 increase in price, the attendance would decrease by 20 people. What ticket price will maximize the revenue from the talent show?

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(F) Example 6

- (1) If f(x) = x² + kx + 3, determine the value(s) of k for which the minimum value of the function is an integer. Explain your reasoning
- (2) If y = -4x² + kx 1, determine the value(s) of k for which the minimum value of the function is an integer. Explain your reasoning

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(G) Profit & Demand & Revenue Functions

- The demand function for a new product is p(x) = 5x + 39, where p represents the selling price of the product and x is the number sold in thousands. The cost function is C(x) = 4x + 30.
- (a) How many items must be sold for the company to break even?
- (b) What quantity of items sold will produce the maximum profit?

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- The demand function for a new mechanical part is p(x)=0.5x+7.8, where p is the price in dollars and x is the quantity sold in thousands. The new part can be manufactured by three different processes, A, B, or C. The cost function for each process is as follows:
- Process A: C(x) = 4.6x + 5.12• Process B: C(x) = 3.8x + 5.12
- **Process C:** C(x) = 5.3x + 3.8
- Use a graphing calculator to investigate the break-even quantities for each process. Which process would you recommend to the company?