Problem Set 1-1

1. Archery Problem 1: An archer climbs a tree near the edge of a cliff, then shoots an arrow high into the air. The arrow goes up, then comes back down, going over the cliff and landing in the valley, 30 m below the top of the cliff. The arrow's height, y, in meters above the top of the cliff depends on the time, x, in seconds, since the archer released it. Figure 1-1g shows the height as a function of time.

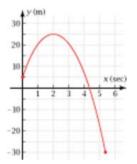


Figure 1-1g

a. What was the approximate height of the arrow at 1 second? At 5 seconds? How do

- you explain the fact that the height is negative at 5 seconds?
- b. At what *two* times was the arrow at 10 m above the ground? At what time does the arrow land in the valley below the cliff?
- c. How high was the archer above the ground at the top of the cliff when she released the arrow?
- d. Why can you say that altitude is a *function* of time? Why is time *not* a function of altitude?
- e. What is the domain of the function? What is the corresponding range?
- 2. Gas Temperature and Volume Problem: When you heat a fixed amount of gas, it expands, increasing its volume. In the late 1700s, French chemist Jacques Charles used numerical measurements of the temperature and volume of a gas to find a quantitative relationship between these two variables. Suppose that these temperatures and volumes had been recorded for a fixed amount of oxygen.