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Solution

Quadratic function: is a function that can be written in the form:

$g(z) = az^2 + bz + c$ where a , b , and c are real numbers and $a \neq 0$

we have $g(z) = -2z^2 - 7z - 20$, note: $-2z^2 - 7z - 20$ is in zg -plane

Here, we know that $a = -2$, $b = -7$, $c = -20$

Since $a < 0$, we know that the g -coordinate of the vertex is a maximum. However, to find the g -coordinate of our vertex we first need to find the z -coordinate of the vertex by using $z = -\frac{b}{2a} = -\frac{-7}{-4} = -\frac{7}{4}$. Now that we have the z -coordinate, we can find the g -coordinate

of the vertex by finding $g(-\frac{7}{4}) = -2(-\frac{7}{4})^2 - 7(-\frac{7}{4}) - 20 = -\frac{49}{8} + \frac{49}{4} - 20 = -\frac{111}{8}$ Maximum = $-\frac{111}{8}$