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Solution

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

$r(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ where a , b , and c are real numbers and $a \neq 0$

we have $r(x) = -x^2 - 7x + 10$, note: $-x^2 - 7x + 10$ is in xr -plane

Here, we know that $a = -1$, $b = -7$, $c = 10$

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

of the vertex by finding $r(-\frac{7}{2}) = -1(-\frac{7}{2})^2 - 7(-\frac{7}{2}) + 10 = -\frac{49}{4} + \frac{49}{2} + 10 = \frac{89}{4}$ Maximum = $\frac{89}{4}$