

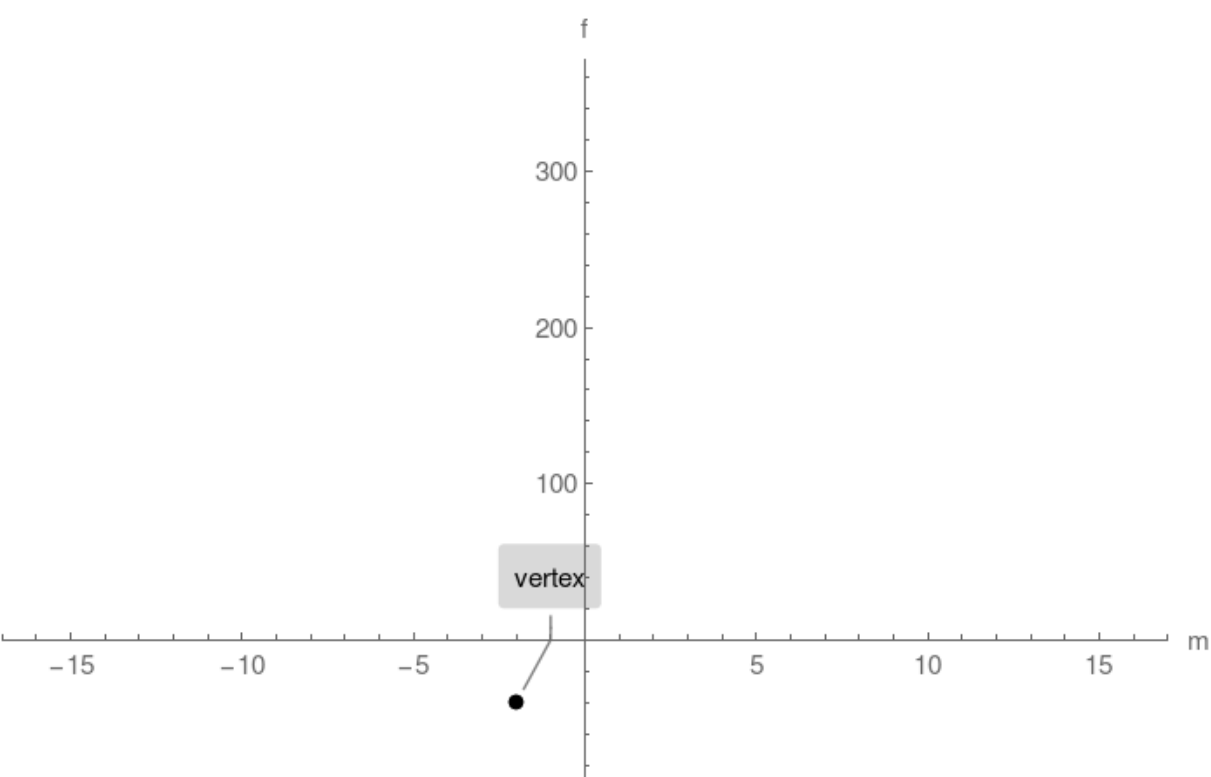
## Example 1. 2 horizontal intercepts found

Plot  $f(m) = m^2 + 4m - 36$

### Step 1.

Compute vertex and plot single point:

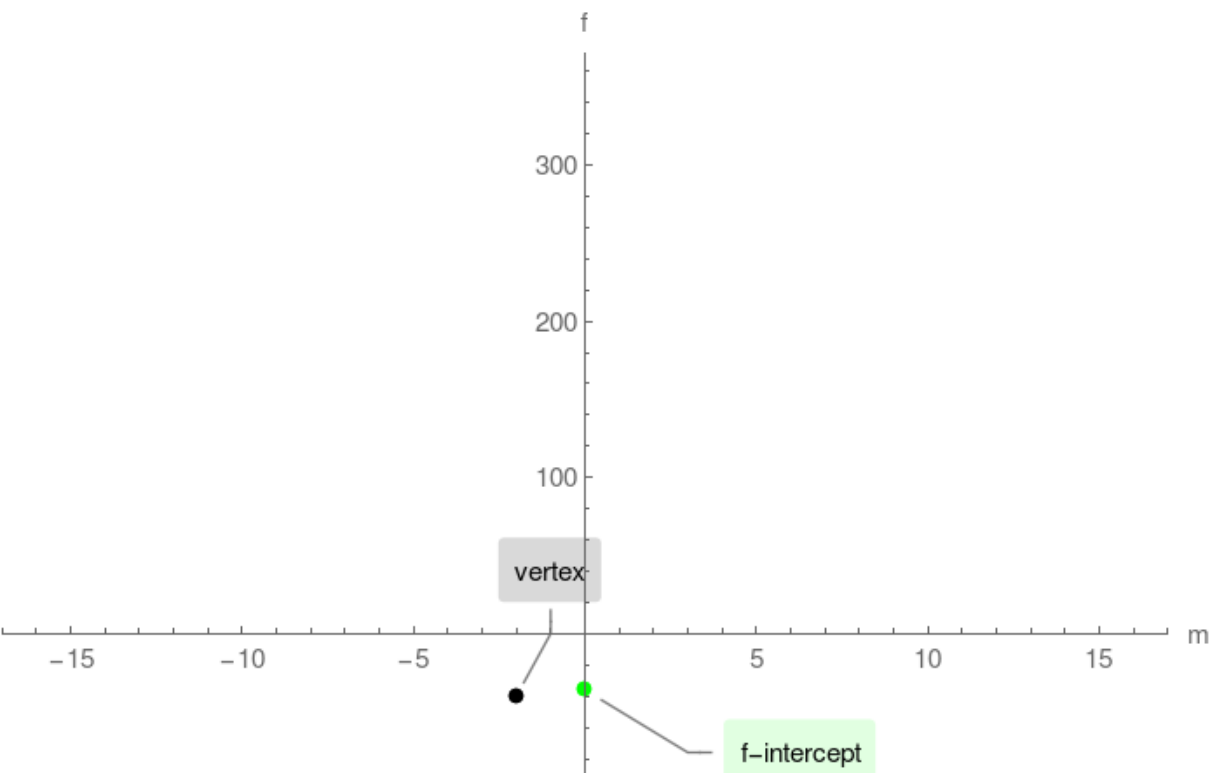
vertex =  $(-2, -40)$



### Step 2.

Compute f-intercept and plot single point:

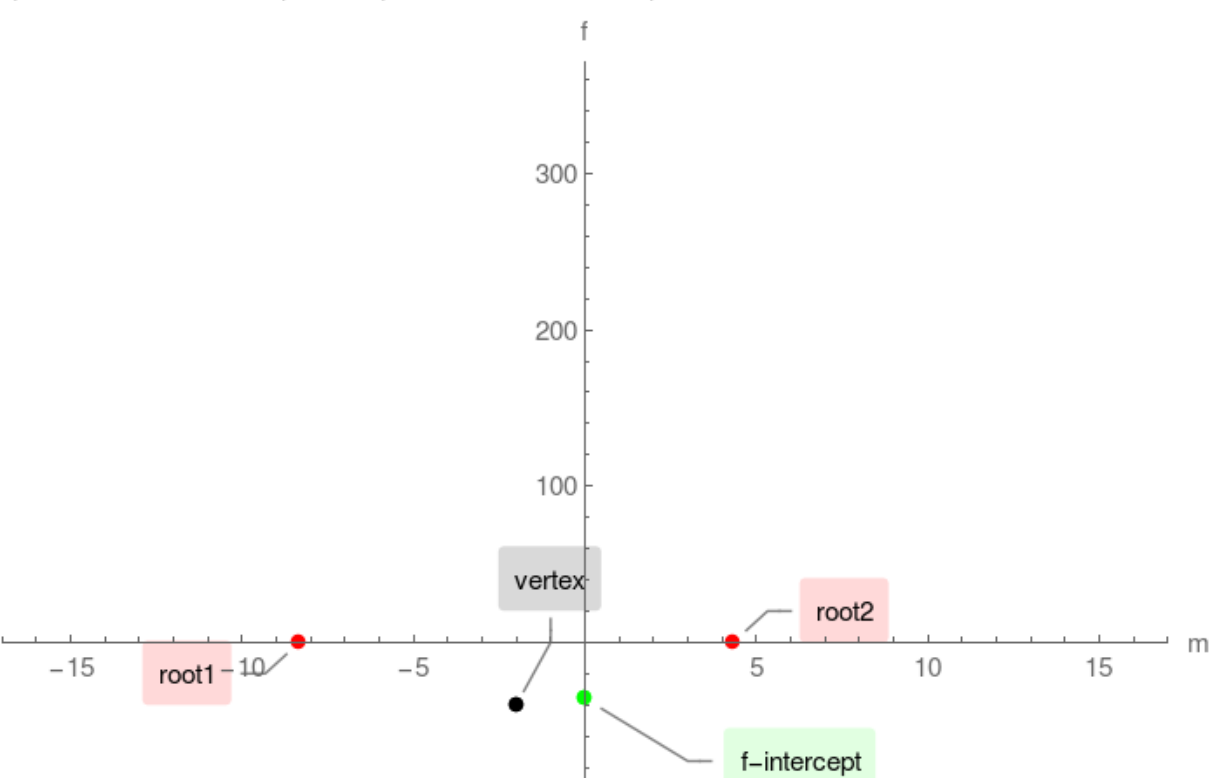
f-intercept =  $(0, -36)$



### Step 3.

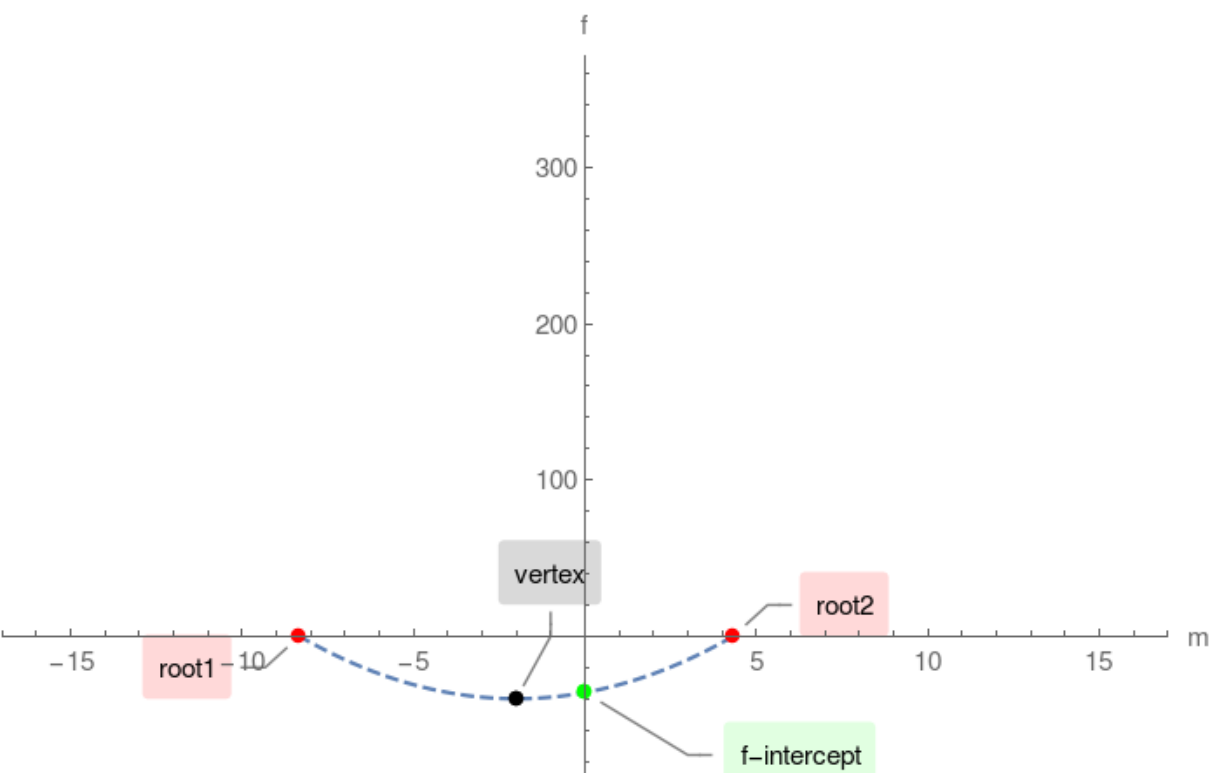
Compute m-intercepts by solving  $m^2 + 4m - 36 = 0$ :

$(-2 - 2\sqrt{10}, 0)$ ,  $(-2 + 2\sqrt{10}, 0)$



### Step 4.

connect the above computed points:



### Step 5.

Extend the parabola beyond the range of intercepts

