

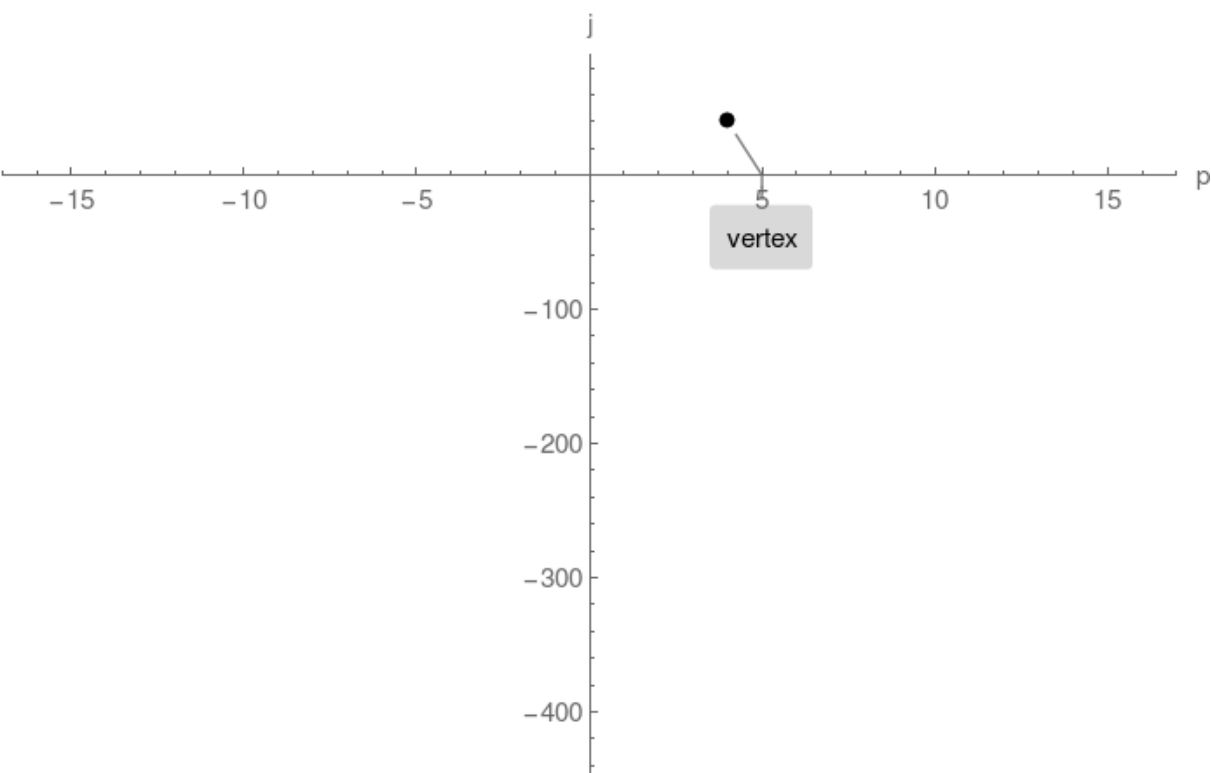
Example 1. 2 horizontal intercepts found

Plot $j(p) = -p^2 + 8p + 24$

Step 1.

Compute vertex and plot single point:

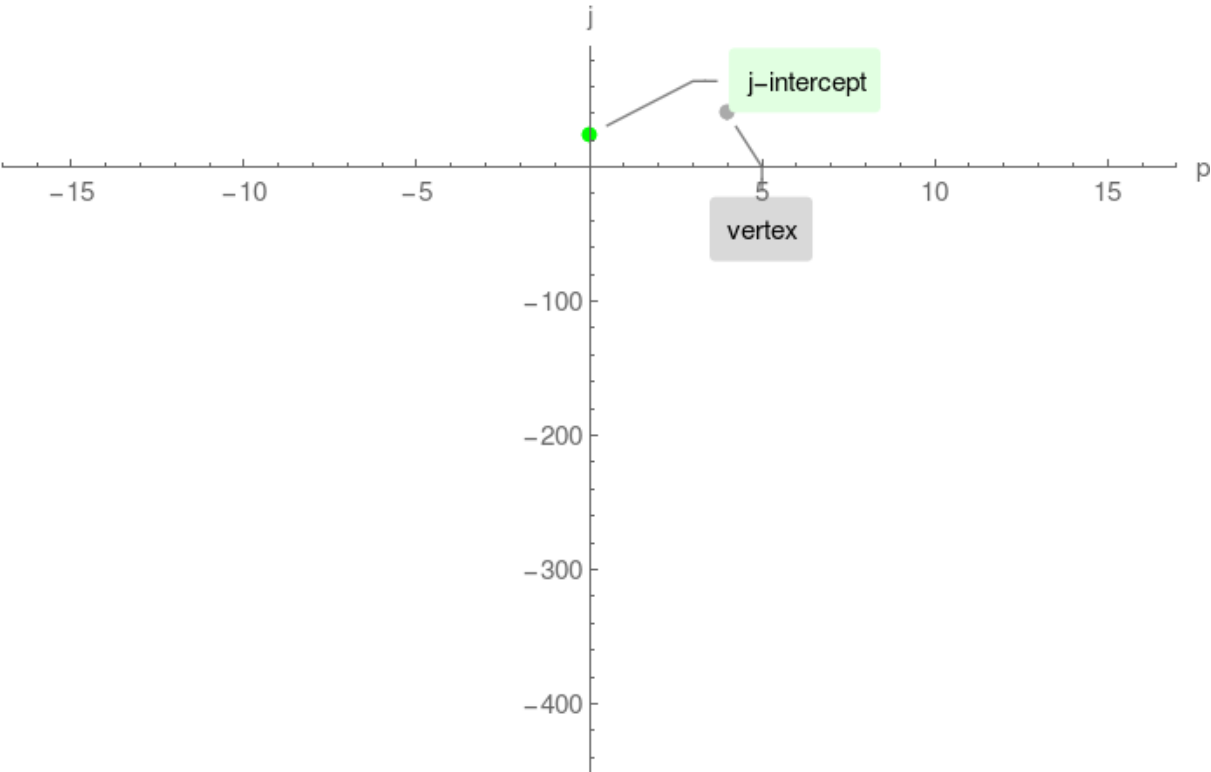
vertex = $(4, 40)$



Step 2.

Compute j-intercept and plot single point:

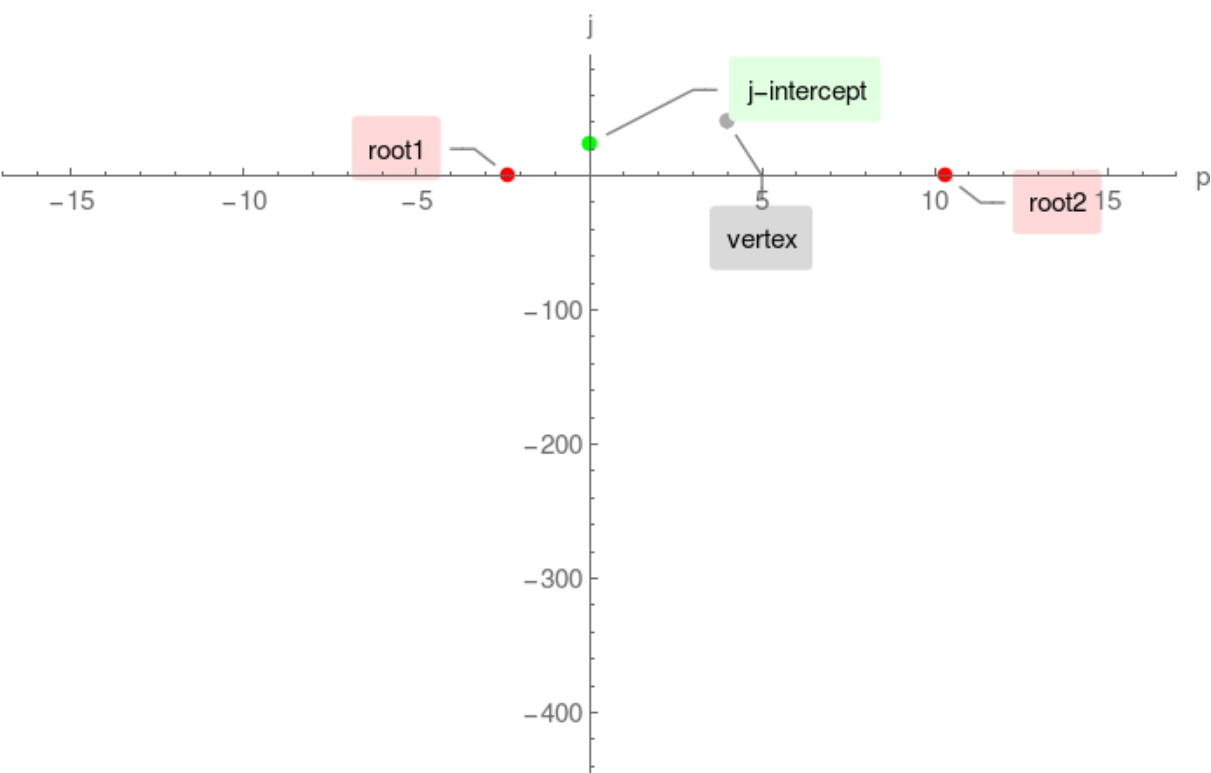
j-intercept = $(0, 24)$



Step 3.

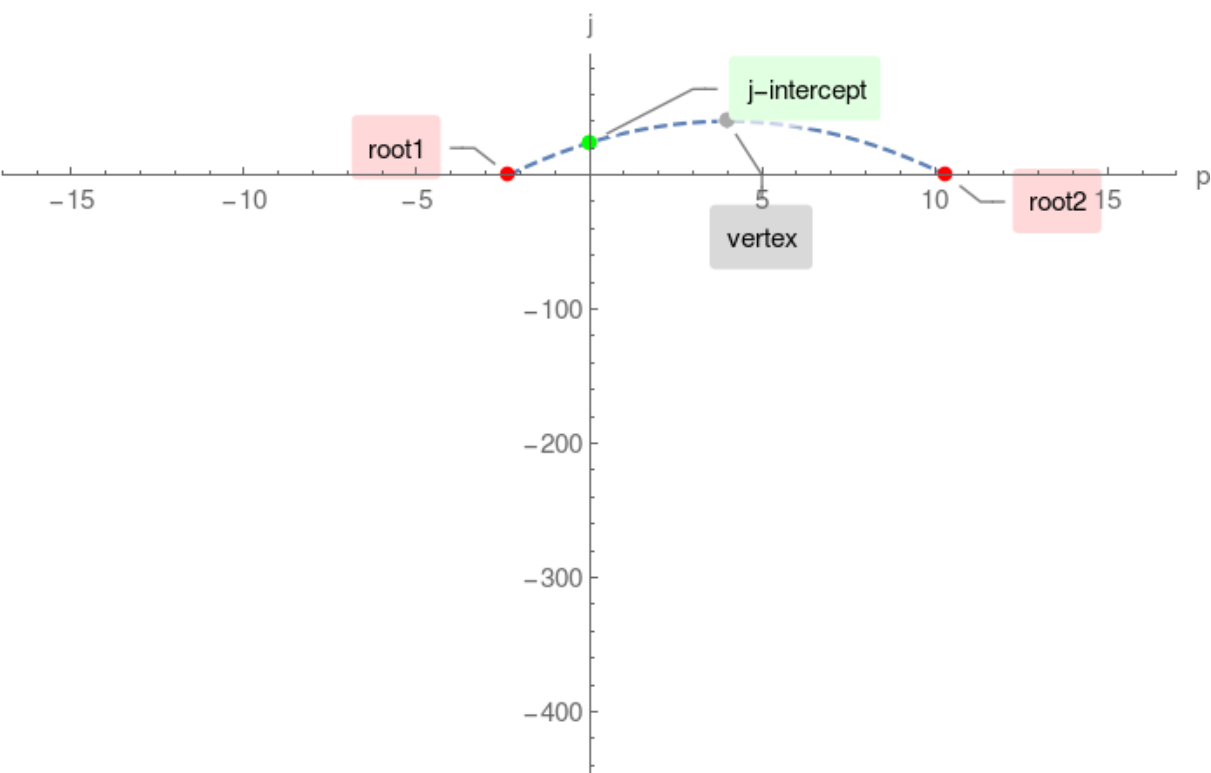
Compute p-intercepts by solving $-p^2 + 8p + 24 = 0$:

$(4 - 2\sqrt{10}, 0)$, $(4 + 2\sqrt{10}, 0)$



Step 4.

connect the above computed points:



Step 5.

Extend the parabola beyond the range of intercepts

