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Solution

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

$d(j) = aj^2 + bj + c$ where a , b , and c are real numbers and $a \neq 0$

we have $d(j) = -2j^2 + 13j - 9$, note: $-2j^2 + 13j - 9$ is in jd -plane

Here, we know that $a = -2$, $b = 13$, $c = -9$

Since $a < 0$, we know that the d -coordinate of the vertex is a maximum. However, to find the d -coordinate of our vertex we first need to find the j -coordinate of the vertex by using $j = -\frac{b}{2a} = -\frac{13}{-4} = \frac{13}{4}$. Now that we have the j -coordinate, we can find the d -coordinate

of the vertex by finding $d\left(\frac{13}{4}\right) = -2\left(\frac{13}{4}\right)^2 + 13\left(\frac{13}{4}\right) - 9 = -\frac{169}{8} + \frac{169}{4} - 9 = \frac{97}{8}$. Maximum = $\frac{97}{8}$