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Let us assume that not just tuition, but also room and board are increasing at about 4% per year.

Let $C(t)$ = the cost of tuition, room, and board at a private college t years from now.

$$C(t) \approx 25000(1.04)^t$$

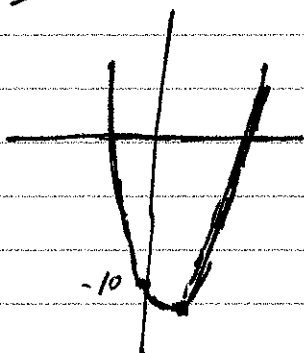
To find when the anticipated costs will reach \$100,000 we solve for t below.

$$\begin{aligned} 100,000 &= 25,000(1.04)^t \\ 4 &= (1.04)^t \\ t &\approx 35.35 \end{aligned}$$

So, the anticipated costs will reach \$100,000 per year in a little over 35 years.

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Sketch



$$y = 2x^2 - 5x - 10$$

If $x = 0$, $y = -10$

So, the y-intercept is at $(0, -10)$

The vertex is where

$$x = -b/2a = \frac{5}{4} = 1.25$$

If $x = 1.25$, $y = -13.125$

So, the vertex is at $(1.25, -13.125)$

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It looks like the vertex is at about $(30, 15)$
and the y-intercept is at about $(0, 60)$

The equation has the form $y = a(x-30)^2 + 15$

But when $x=0$, $y=60$ so we solve for a below

$$60 = a(0-30)^2 + 15$$

$$45 = 900a$$

$$a = 0.05$$

So, our equation is

or

$$y = 0.05(x-30)^2 + 15$$
$$y = 0.05x^2 - 3x + 60$$

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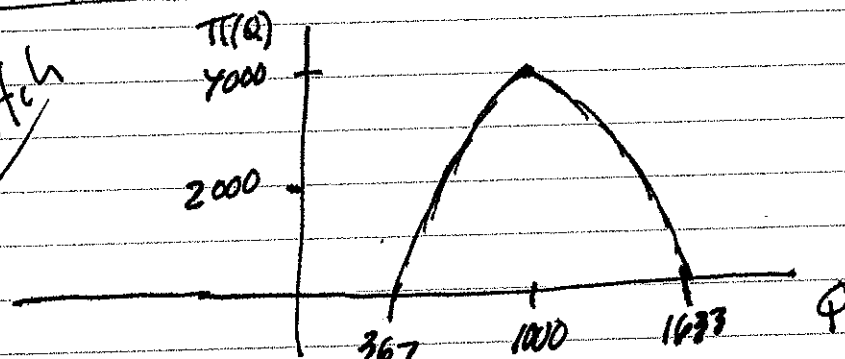
$\Pi(Q)$ = profit when quantity Q is sold.

$$\Pi(Q) = -0.01Q^2 + 20Q - 6000$$

a) Profit is maximum when $Q = \frac{-20}{2(-0.01)} = 1000$

b) So, profit is maximum when 1000 units are produced.
That profit is $\Pi(1000)$ or 4000

sketch



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Average
 $C'(w)$ = cost of production per widget when w are produced

$$C'(w) = a(w-200)^2 + 250 \text{ for some } a$$

We know from the given information that

$$250.05 = a(201-200)^2 + 250$$

So,

$$a = 0.05$$

Hence, our function is

OR

$$\begin{aligned} C(w) &= 0.05(w-200)^2 + 250 \\ C(w) &= 0.05w^2 - 20w + 2250 \end{aligned}$$