

CLASS NOTES

8.11 Maximum/Minimum Problems Day 2

$$h(t) = -16t^2 + vt + h$$

- $h(t)$ represents the projectile's height at any time t
- v represents initial velocity
- h represents the initial height from which the projectile is released
- t represents time in seconds after the projectile is released

Example 1: Two kids are playing catch in the yard. A ball is thrown directly upward from an initial height of 4 feet with an initial velocity of 44 feet per second.

- What is an equation to represent this situation?
- How long will it take the ball to reach one of the kid's hands if it is caught at a height of 5 feet?
- How long would it have taken to hit the ground?
- What is the maximum height the ball reaches?

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Example 2: Katie is hitting tennis balls. When she tosses the ball into the air, her hand is 4 feet above the ground. She hits the ball when it falls back to a height of 3 feet. The height of the ball is given by $h(t) = 4 + 15t - 16t^2$, where t is time in seconds.

a. How much time will pass before Katie hits the ball? (Round to the nearest tenth)