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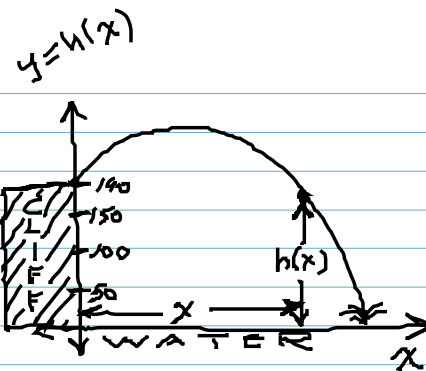
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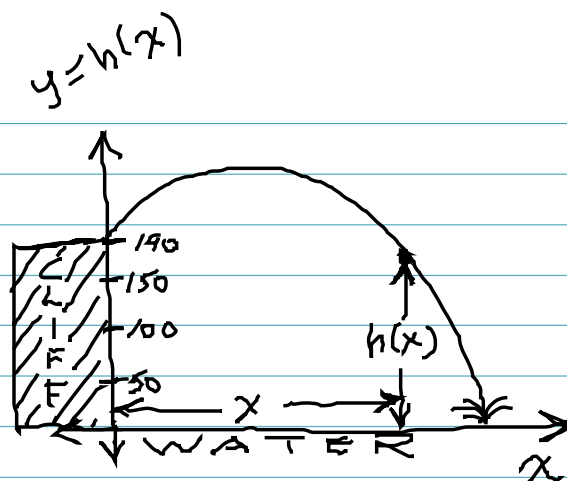
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$Y = ((-) 3 2 X, T, \theta, n X^2) \div (5 5 X)$
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(b) 2^{nd} $\overset{CALC}{\text{TRACE}}$ 4 \leftarrow **Enter** \rightarrow **Enter** \leftarrow **Enter**

$$x = 47.265617$$

horizontal distance

$$y = 213.63281$$

height above water

$$x = 47 \text{ feet}$$

(c) $y = 214$ feet

(d) The water line is the x -axis. ($y = 0$)

$Y = 0$ **enter**

2^{nd} $\overset{CALC}{\text{TRACE}}$ 5 **Enter** **Enter** \rightarrow **Enter**

$$x = 189.37466$$

$$y = 0$$

$$x = 189 \text{ feet}$$

(e) $Y = 100$ **enter**

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$$x = 150.90853 \quad y = 100$$

$$x = 151 \text{ feet}$$