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$$y^{\frac{3}{2}} = At + B,$$

where A and B are constants to be found.

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In order to assess the contamination level in the laboratory, it is required to find the length of time that the leaking has been taking place.

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$$\frac{dh}{dt} = -\frac{1}{40}\sqrt{h}$$
, $\sqrt{h} = 10 - \frac{1}{80}t$ or $t = 800 - 80\sqrt{h}$, 3 hours 32 minutes

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