

1. Use the fact that a quadratic polynomial with roots r and s can be written in the form $f(x) = A(x - r)(x - s)$ for some constant A for these two proofs.
 - (a) Suppose that quadratic f has roots r and s . Show that $f'(r) + f'(s) = 0$.
 - (b) Show that the critical point of a quadratic occurs midway between its roots.
2. Prove that of all rectangles with given perimeter P , the square has the largest area.
3.
 - (a) Find the closest point on the graph of $f(x) = x^2$ to the point (a, b) .
 - (b) Show that the line connecting $(0, b)$ to the closest point is perpendicular to the graph at that point.
4. Prove that $f(x) = x^3 - 3x + c$ never has two roots in $[0, 1]$ no matter what c is. (Hint: Think about monotonicity.)