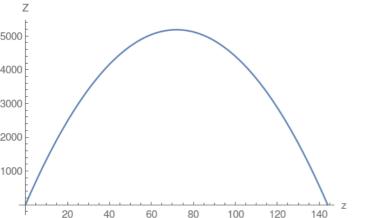
3. Perimeter of rectangle = 2(z+a)=288 where a is the length of the other edge of rectangle. Area of the rectangle is = $z \times a$. Use perimeter equation

and solve for $a=\frac{288-2z}{2}$ Then reformulate the area $Z=z\times a=144z-z^2$ which turns out to be a quadratic Parabola:



Compute the vertex $\frac{288}{4}$ and then plug the vertex into the area which will compute the maximum area.