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MCS 275 Project 1

Write a class called `Quadratic`, which implements a quadratic polynomial with integer coefficients. For each quadratic polynomial $ax^2 + bx + c$, an instance is generated like this: `Quadratic([a, b, c])`.

For two concrete examples, the instances `P` and `Q` of the class `Quadratic`, where `P` represents the polynomial $3x^2 - 7x + 5$ and `Q` represents the polynomial $x^2 + 8x - 3$, are defined as

```
P = Quadratic([3, -7, 5])
Q = Quadratic([1, 8, -3])
```

When printing an instance, for example `P`, `print(P)` should display $3x^2 - 7x + 5$ on the screen.

In addition, write the following class methods which manipulate the instances of the class `Quadratic`.

`roots()`, which is called in the main function as `P.roots()`, and returns the two roots of the polynomial `P` inside a list. For `P`, `P.roots()` returns `[1.16667+0.55277i, 1.16667+0.55277i]`. For the instance `Q`, `Q.roots()` returns `[0.35890+0i, -8.3589+0i]`, since `Q` has only two real roots. If a polynomial has a double root, return the list containing the same root twice in the same way as for `P` and `Q`.

`vertex()`, which is called in the main function as `P.vertex()`, and returns the x and y coordinates of the location of the vertex as a list. For example, for instance `P`, `P.vertex()` returns `[1.16667, 0.916667]`. Recall that the vertex of a parabola is the point at the intersection of the parabola and its line of symmetry.

`derivative()`, which is called in the main function as `P.derivative()`, and returns a string representing the derivative of the instance. For example, for instance `P`, `P.derivative()` returns the string `6*x-7`.

`integral(a,b)`, which is called in the main function as `P.integral(a,b)`, and returns a float representing the area underneath the curve of polynomial `P` $3x^2 - 7x + 5$. For example, for instance `P`, `P.integral(1, 4)` returns the float `25.5`.

Overload the operations of additions, so that we can add the instances of the class `Quadratic` using the `+` symbol. For example, for a new instance `R = P+Q` (generated like this in the main function), `print(R)` should result in $4x^2+1x+2$ being printed to screen. If an addition should eliminate one of the terms, zero should be used to denote such a scenario, ie. $0x^2 + 0x + 2$, for example is a valid outcome.

Overload the operations of multiplication, so that we can multiply the instances of the class `Quadratic` using the `*` symbol. For example, for a new instance `R = 5*P` (generated like this in the main function),

`print(R)` should result in $15x^2 - 35x + 25$ being printed to screen.

`larger_area(Q,a,b)`, which is called in the main function as `P.larger_area(Q,a,b)`, and returns the instance whose absolute value of the area, over the interval (a,b) , is larger. For example, for instances `P` and `Q` and interval $(1,4)$, `P.larger_area(Q,a,b)` returns the instance `Q`, since `Q` has a larger area than `P` over this interval.

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