Problem 1: A Perfect Square

A 4-digit number of the form $aabb$ is a perfect square. Find it.

As always, show your work, fully explain and justify your answer. A solution mainly obtained by computers or calculators will not be accepted.

Posting Date 1/14/2018. Submit solutions to Noah Aydin, Mathematics Department, RBH 319 (e-mail or hard-copy, but hard copy submissions must include a time stamp) by 4 pm on 1/26/17.