

4. (8 pts) Find a nonconstant polynomial $P(x)$ so that $P(1) = P(2) = P(3) = 4$.

$$P(x) = (x-1)(x-2)(x-3) + 4$$

OR

$$P(x) = (x-1)(x-2)(x-3) + 4$$

$$P(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 11x - 6$$

5. (10 pts) Divide $(x^2 + 1)(x^2 + 4x + 3) + 4$ by $x + 1$. What are the quotient and the remainder?

$$\frac{(x^2+1)(x^2+4x+3)+4}{x+1} = \frac{(x^2+1)(x+3)(x+1)+4}{x+1}$$

$$= (x^2+1)(x+3) + \frac{4}{x+1}$$

$$\text{Quotient} = (x^2+1)(x+3)$$

$$\text{Remainder} = 4$$

6. (12 pts) The vertices of a square $ABCD$ are $A(a, 7)$, $B(2, 3)$, $C(6, c)$ and $D(3, 10)$. Find a, c and area of the square.

Midpoint of AC = Midpoint of BD

$$\left(\frac{a+6}{2}, \frac{7+c}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{2+3}{2}, \frac{3+10}{2}\right)$$

$$a = -1$$

$$c = 6$$

$$\text{Area} = 25$$

$$\Rightarrow a = -1, c = 6$$

$$\text{One side length} = \sqrt{(-1-2)^2 + (7-3)^2} = 5$$

(like $|AB|$)

So its area is 25.

7. (10 pts) What is the equation of the line which passes through the vertex of the parabola $y = 3x^2 - 12x + 9$ and the point $(0, 1)$?

$$y = 3(x-2)^2 - 3 \Rightarrow \text{vertex: } (2, -3)$$

$$\text{Line eqn: } y = mx + b, m = \frac{1 - (-3)}{0 - 2} = -2$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -2x + b$$

$$1 = -2 \cdot 0 + b \Rightarrow b = 1$$

$$y = -2x + 1$$

$$\text{Line eqn: } y = -2x + 1$$

8. (8 pts) Complete the table below by filling in correct values of $(f \circ f)(x)$ and $(g \circ f^{-1})(x)$:

x	1	2	3	4
$f(x)$	2	1	4	3
$g(x)$	2	4	1	4
$(f \circ f)(x)$	1	2	3	4
$(g \circ f^{-1})(x)$	4	2	4	1

9. (9 pts) Let $f(x) = x^2 - 4$ for $x \leq 0$. The function $f(x)$ is a one-to-one function. What is its inverse, $f^{-1}(x)$? Find domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.

$$y = x^2 - 4; x \leq 0$$

To find f^{-1} , swap x & y ;

$$x = y^2 - 4; y \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 = x + 4; y \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -\sqrt{x+4} \quad (\text{since } y \leq 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(x) = -\sqrt{x+4} \Rightarrow D_{f^{-1}} = [-4, \infty)$$

$$R_{f^{-1}} = (-\infty, 0]$$

$$f^{-1}(x) = -\sqrt{x+4}$$

$$\text{Domain } f^{-1}(x) = [-4, \infty)$$

$$\text{Range } f^{-1}(x) = (-\infty, 0]$$