

Math 099 - Summer 2010 - Test 4

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KEY

Instructions. Only calculators are allowed on this examination. Point values of each problem are indicated. Always use the appropriate wording and units of measure in your answers (when applicable). **SHOW YOUR WORK NEATLY, PLEASE** (no work, no credit).

1. Expand the following polynomials:

(a) (25pts) $(x - 7)(3x + 2)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= x \cdot (3x) + x \cdot 2 + (-7)(3x) + (-7) \cdot 2 \\ &= 3x^2 + 2x - 21x - 14 \\ &= 3x^2 - 19x - 14 \end{aligned}$$

(b) (25pts) $(2x - 3)^2$ FOIL OR FORMULA: $(a+b)^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (2x)^2 + 2(2x) \cdot (-3) + (-3)^2 \\ &= 4x^2 - 12x + 9 \end{aligned}$$

2. Factor the following polynomials:

(a) (25pts) $2x^2 - 10x + 12$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 2(x^2 - 5x + 6) \\ &= 2(x - 2)(x - 3) \end{aligned}$$

PRODUCT: 6

SUM: -5

(b) (25pts) $16x^2 - 81$ DIFFERENCE OF SQUARES: $a^2 - b^2 = (a+b)(a-b)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (4x)^2 - 9^2 \\ &= (4x + 9)(4x - 9) \end{aligned}$$

3. (25pts) Compute the distance between the points $(-1, 2)$ and $(4, 3)$.

$$\text{DISTANCE BETWEEN } (x_1, y_1) \text{ AND } (x_2, y_2) = \sqrt{(x_1 - x_2)^2 + (y_1 - y_2)^2}$$

$$\text{HERE: } d = \sqrt{(-1 - 4)^2 + (2 - 3)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{25 + 1}$$

$$= \sqrt{26}$$

$$\approx 5.099$$