4. [13 points] Consider the following functions

| $x$ | -2 | -1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
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| $p(x)$ | 0 | 3 | 2 | 1 | -4 | -2 |


a. [6 points] Find the values of the following quantities. If any of the quantities is not defined, write "UNDEFINED". Simplify your answers.

Solution:
i) $k(-4)=(-4)^{4}-(-4)=20$.
ii) $(p(2))^{-1}=(-4)^{-1}=-0.25$.
iii) $(2 g(1)+1)^{2}=(2(4)+1)^{2}=81$.
iv) $g(k(2))=g(2)=3.5$
b. [2 points] Find an expression for $k(t+1)$ in terms of only the variable $t$. You do not need to simplify it.

## Solution:

$k(t+1)=(t+1)^{2}-(t+1)$
c. [5 points] Find all the solutions to the following equations. Your answers must be exact. If an equation has no solution, write "No solution". Show all your work.
i) $k(z)=0$.

Solution: $\quad z^{2}-z=z(z-1)=0$ then $z=0$ and $z=1$.
ii) $\quad p(g(t))=-2$

Solution: $\quad p(g(t))=-2$ implies $g(t)=3$. Then $t=3,-3$.

