

Work Sheet 2: Exam Preparation

C.2

By using the ABC method, we know that for there to be only one complex root;

$$\sqrt{b^2 - 4ac} = 0$$

this ~~means~~ can be manipulated to:

$$b^2 = 4ac$$

With $b = -t$, $a = 1$, $c = 1$:

$$t^2 = 4$$

$$t = \pm 2$$

In order for there to only one complex root, t must be equal to 2 or -2.

C.3

In Finding P and q ~~and~~ we substitute z for $a+bi$.

$$(a+bi)^2 + Pa + Pbi + q = 0$$

$$2abi + a^2 + b^2(-1) + Pa + Pbi + q = 0$$

In an attempt to get rid of the imaginary part we substitute

P for $-2a$.

$$2abi - 2abi + a^2 - b^2 - 2a^2 + q = 0$$

$$q = a^2 + b^2$$

When $P = -2a$ and $q = a^2 + b^2$, $z = a+bi$ is a viable solution.

C.3. Continued:

~~Let~~ If i is a solution to $z^2 + pz + q$ then:

$$z^2 + pz + q = 0$$

$$i^2 + pi + q = 0$$

$$q + pi = -1 + 0i$$

From this we can conclude:

$$q = -1 \quad \wedge \quad p = 0$$

When substituted into the polynomial then:

$$z^2 + 0 \cdot z + 1 = 0$$

$$z^2 = -1$$

$$\underline{z = \pm i}$$

$z = \pm i$ are the two solutions to our polynomial.