

Exercises.

(1) Show that $\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{2}{(n+1)(n+2)}\right) = \frac{1}{3}$.

(2) Show that $\prod_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{n^2 - 4}{n^2 - 1} = \frac{1}{4}$.

(3) Show that $\prod_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n^3 - 1}{n^3 + 1}$ converges.

(4) Determine whether or not $\prod_{n=k}^{\infty} (1 - 2^{-n})$ is convergent, for $k = 0$ and for $k = 1$.

(5) Prove that $\prod_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{z^k}{k!}\right)$ defines an entire function.

(6) Prove that $\prod_{k=0}^{\infty} (1 + z^{2^k}) = \frac{1}{1 - z}$ for all z in the unit disc $|z| < 1$.

Solutions Ex 2.

$$(1) \quad \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{2}{(n+1)(n+2)} \right) = \frac{1}{3} \quad \left[\text{rec: } 1 - \frac{2}{(n+1)(n+2)} = 0 \right. \\ \left. \Leftrightarrow (n+1)(n+2) = 2 \right. \\ \left. \equiv n^2 + 3n = 0 \quad \text{no!} \right]$$

$$\rightarrow P_1 = 1 - \frac{2}{3} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\rightarrow P_2 = \left(1 - \frac{2}{3} \right) \left(1 - \frac{2}{12} \right) = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{5}{6} \quad ???$$

$$P_k = \prod_{n=1}^k \left(\frac{(n+1)(n+2)-2}{(n+1)(n+2)} \right) = \prod_{n=1}^k \left(\frac{n(n+3)}{(n+1)(n+2)} \right)$$

$$= \frac{k! \cdot \frac{(k+3)!}{3!}}{\frac{(k+1)!}{1!} \cdot \frac{(k+2)!}{2!}} = \frac{1}{k+1} \cdot \frac{k+3}{3} = \frac{1}{3} \frac{k+3}{k+1}$$

$$\xrightarrow{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{3} //$$

$$(2) \quad \prod_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{n^2-4}{n^2-1} = \frac{1}{4} \quad \left[\text{rec: } \frac{n^2-4}{n^2-1} \neq 0 \quad \forall n \geq 3 \right]$$

As before:

$$P_k = \prod_{n=3}^k \frac{n^2-4}{n^2-1} = \prod_{n=3}^k \frac{(n-2)(n+2)}{(n-1)(n+1)} = \prod_{j=n-2}^k \frac{j \cdot (j+4)}{(j+1)(j+3)} \\ = \frac{k! \cdot \frac{(k+4)!}{4!}}{\frac{(k+1)!}{1!} \cdot \frac{(k+3)!}{3!}} = \frac{1}{k+1} \cdot \frac{k+4}{4} \xrightarrow{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{4}$$

(3) show that $\prod_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n^3-1}{n^3+1}$ converges.

$$\text{Write } \frac{n^3-1}{n^3+1} = 1 + U_n \Rightarrow U_n = \frac{n^3-1-n^3-1}{n^3+1} = \frac{-2}{n^3+1}.$$

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |U_n| \leq 2 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^3} \Rightarrow \text{done!} \quad \left[\text{Remark: } \frac{n^3-1}{n^3+1} \neq 0 \forall n \geq 2 \right]$$

Remark - It is known that

$$\prod_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n^3-1}{n^3+1} = \frac{2}{3}.$$

(4). For $k=0$ & $k=1$, is $\prod_{n=k}^{\infty} (1-2^{-n})$ convergent?

• $k=1$ $\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \underbrace{(1-2^{-n})}_{U_n}$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |U_n| = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} < \infty \rightarrow \text{converges}.$$

• $k=0$.

$$\prod_{k=0}^{\infty} (1-2^{-n}) = 0 \cdot \underbrace{\prod_{k=0}^{\infty} (1-2^{-k})}_{\text{converges!}}$$

Hence, diverges.

So that the previous argument would show that

$\prod_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{z^k}{k!}\right)$, $1 + \frac{z^k}{k!} \neq 0$, would define an analytic function (for those z 's).

Consider the set

$$\Omega = \left\{ z \in \mathbb{C} : \frac{z^j}{j!} + 1 = 0 \right\}.$$

$z \rightarrow \zeta \in \Omega$, then

$$\prod_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{z^k}{k!}\right) \xrightarrow{z \rightarrow \zeta} 0.$$

so that we are defining

$$f(z) = \begin{cases} \prod_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{z^k}{k!}\right), & z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega \\ 0, & z \in \Omega. \end{cases}$$

which is entire because it is the local uniform limit of

$$f_n(z) = \begin{cases} \prod_{k=0}^n \left(1 + \frac{z^k}{k!}\right), & z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega \\ 0, & z \in \Omega. \end{cases}, n \rightarrow \infty.$$

(5) Prove that $\prod_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{z^k}{k!}\right)$ defines an entire function.

Define $U(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^k}{k!}$.

the radius of convergence of this series is

$$R = \frac{1}{\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[k]{\frac{1}{k!}}} \stackrel{(*)}{=} \infty$$

$(*) \quad k! \sim \sqrt{2\pi k} \cdot \left(\frac{k}{e}\right)^k, \quad k \rightarrow \infty.$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt[k]{k!} \sim (k!)^{1/k} \sim (2\pi k)^{1/2k} \cdot \frac{k}{e} \xrightarrow{k \rightarrow \infty} \infty.$$

$$\cdot \quad 2\pi^{\frac{1}{2k}} = e^{\frac{1}{2k} \log 2\pi} \xrightarrow{k \rightarrow \infty} 1$$

$$\cdot \quad k^{\frac{1}{2k}} = e^{\frac{\log k}{2k}} \sim e^{\frac{1}{2k}} \xrightarrow{k \rightarrow \infty} 1$$

So that $U(z)$ is analytic in $\mathbb{C}$

& absolutely converges in $\mathbb{C}$.

Hence, $\prod_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{z^k}{k!}\right)$ converges (absolutely)

in $\mathbb{C} \Rightarrow$ is entire.

$$\left[\prod_{k=0}^N \left(1 + \frac{z^k}{k!}\right) \xrightarrow{k \in \mathbb{C}} \prod_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{z^k}{k!}\right) \right].$$

$$(6) \quad P_k = \prod_{j=0}^k (1+z^{2^j}) = (1+z)(1+z^2) \cdots (1+z^{2^k})$$

$$= \begin{cases} 1+z, & k=0 \\ 1+z+z^2+z^3, & k=1 \\ \dots & \dots \\ 1+z+\dots+z^{2^{(k+1)}-1} & ??? \end{cases}$$

pf.:- true for k .

$$\prod_{j=0}^{k+1} (1+z^{2^j}) = \left(1+z+\dots+z^{2^{(k+1)}-1}\right) (1+z^{2^{k+1}})$$

$$= 1+z+\dots+z^{\boxed{2^{(k+1)}-1}} + z^{\boxed{2^{k+1}}} + \dots + z^{\boxed{2^{(k+1)}-1+2^{k+1}}}$$

$\downarrow$
 $2 \cdot 2^{k+1} - 1 = 2^{k+2} - 1$

$$\text{Hence, } P_k = \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} z^{k-1} \longrightarrow \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} z^{k-1}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} z^k = \frac{1}{1-z} \quad \forall |z| < 1.$$

RK.:- $1+z^{2^j} \neq 0 \quad \forall |z| < 1!!!!$
