

Complex dynamics
Problem set 9 (due Tuesday, June 21)

1. Show that the infinite product

$$\prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \cos\left(\frac{z}{2^k}\right)$$

converges for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$.

Use the addition theorems of the trigonometric functions to find an expression for the partial products

$$\prod_{k=1}^n \cos\left(\frac{z}{2^k}\right)$$

and use this to determine the value of the infinite product.

2. For $p \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ and $z \in \mathbb{C}$ put

$$E_p(z) = (1 - z) \exp\left(\sum_{j=1}^p \frac{z^j}{j}\right).$$

Here, as usual, $\sum_{j=1}^0 \dots = 0$ so that $E_0(z) = 1 - z$.

Show that

$$1 - E_p(z) = \frac{1}{p+1} z^{p+1} + O(z^{p+2})$$

as $z \rightarrow 0$.

Hint. Consider $E'_p(z)$.

3. Let (z_k) be a sequence in $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ such that $|z_k| \rightarrow \infty$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$. Let (p_k) be sequence of non-negative integers such that

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{R}{|z_k|}\right)^{p_k+1} < \infty$$

for all $R > 0$. Show that the infinite product

$$\prod_{k=1}^{\infty} E_{p_k}\left(\frac{z}{z_k}\right)$$

converges locally uniformly in \mathbb{C} .

Show also that the zeros of the entire function f defined by

$$f(z) = \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} E_{p_k}\left(\frac{z}{z_k}\right)$$

are precisely the z_k . Finally, show that the product always converges for the choice $p_k = k$.