



convergence condition of infinite product

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Let us think the sequence $u_1, u_1u_2, u_1u_2u_3, \dots$. In the complex analysis, one often uses the definition of the convergence of an *infinite product* $\prod_{k=1}^{\infty} u_k$ where the case $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} u_1u_2 \dots u_k = 0$ is excluded. Then one has the

Theorem. The infinite product $\prod_{k=1}^{\infty} u_k$ of the non-zero complex numbers u_1, u_2, \dots is convergent iff for every positive number ε there exists a positive number n_ε such that the condition

$$|u_{n+1}u_{n+2} \dots u_{n+p} - 1| < \varepsilon \quad \forall p \in \mathbb{Z}_+$$

is true as soon as $n \geq n_\varepsilon$.

Corollary. If the infinite product converges, then we necessarily have $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} u_k = 1$. (Cf. the necessary condition of convergence of series.)

When the infinite product converges, we say that the *value of the infinite product* is equal to $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} u_1u_2 \dots u_k$.