

Math 892: Assignment 2 (due: March 15, 2019)

1. Let $w \in \mathbb{C}$ be a fixed complex number with $|w| < 1$. Let

$$f(z) = \frac{z - w}{1 - \bar{w}z}.$$

Show that f is regular in $|z| \leq 1$ and calculate $f(w)$ and $f'(w)$.

2. Find the radius of convergence of

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n! \frac{z^n}{n^n}.$$

3. Prove the following discrete version of integration by parts: For any two sequences of numbers a_n, b_n ,

$$S_N := \sum_{n=1}^N a_n b_n = a_N B_N - \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} B_n (a_{n+1} - a_n),$$

where

$$B_n = \sum_{j=1}^n b_j.$$

Using this result, show that the power series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n}$$

converges for every complex number z with $|z| = 1$, and $z \neq 1$.

4. Show that the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n(n+1)}$$

converges for all $|z| \leq 1$. What is its radius of convergence? Does the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z^n$$

converge for any z with $|z| = 1$?

5. Let n be a non-negative integer. Define for $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$, the binomial coefficient

$$\binom{\alpha}{n} = \frac{\alpha(\alpha-1)\cdots(\alpha-n+1)}{n!}.$$

Show that the series

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \binom{\alpha}{n} z^n$$

converges for $|z| < 1$.