

LIMIT LAWS THEOREM: If  $\lim s_n = s$ ,  $\lim t_n = t$ , and  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ , then

1.  $\lim ks_n = k \lim s_n = ks$

2.  $\lim(s_n + t_n) = \lim s_n + \lim t_n = s + t$

3.  $\lim(s_n \cdot t_n) = \lim s_n \cdot \lim t_n = s \cdot t$

4.  $\lim \frac{1}{s_n} = \frac{1}{\lim s_n} = \frac{1}{s}$

5.  $\lim \frac{t_n}{s_n} = \frac{\lim t_n}{\lim s_n} = \frac{t}{s}$

1.  $\lim ks_n = k \lim s_n = ks$

PROOF:

Case 1:  $k = 0$  This is trivial since  $ks_n = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$   $\forall n$ . Therefore  $\lim ks_n = 0$ .

Case 2:  $k \neq 0$

Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . [Show  $|ks_n - ks| < \epsilon$  whenever  $n > N$ .]

Let  $\epsilon_1 = \frac{\epsilon}{|k|} > 0$

Since  $\lim s_n = s$ ,  $\exists N$  so that  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}} < \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \frac{\epsilon}{|k|}$  whenever  $n > N$ .

Then  $|ks_n - ks| = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} < |k| \cdot \epsilon_1$  whenever  $n > N$

But  $|k| \cdot \epsilon_1 = |k| \cdot \frac{\epsilon}{|k|} = \epsilon$ .

i.e.  $|ks_n - ks| < \epsilon$  whenever  $n > N$ .

$\therefore \lim ks_n = ks$       i.e.  $\lim ks_n = k \lim s_n$

2.  $\lim(s_n + t_n) = \lim s_n + \lim t_n = s + t$

PROOF:

Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . [Show  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$  whenever  $n > N$ .]

Let  $\epsilon_1 = \frac{\epsilon}{2}$

Since  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ ,  $\exists N_1$  so that  $|s_n - s| < \epsilon_1 = \frac{\epsilon}{2}$  whenever  $n > N_1$ .

Let  $\epsilon_2 = \frac{\epsilon}{2}$

Since  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ ,  $\exists N_2$  so that  $|t_n - t| < \epsilon_2 = \frac{\epsilon}{2}$  whenever  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ .

Let  $N = \max\{N_1, N_2\}$ ,

then  $|s_n + t_n - (s + t)| = |s_n - s + t_n - t| \leq \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$  by the triangle inequality.

But  $|s_n - s| + |t_n - t| < \epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \epsilon$  (whenever  $n > N$ ).

i.e.  $|s_n + t_n - (s + t)| < \epsilon$  whenever  $n > N$ .

$\therefore \lim s_n + t_n = s + t = \lim s_n + \lim t_n$

Sidework

Show why  $\epsilon_1 = \frac{\epsilon}{|k|}$  is a "wise" choice.

3.  $\lim(s_n \cdot t_n) = \lim s_n \cdot \lim t_n = s \cdot t$

PROOF

Let  $\epsilon > 0$  [Show  $|s_n \cdot t_n - st| < \epsilon$ .]

Since  $s_n$  converges it is \_\_\_\_\_ .

Thus  $\exists M$  so that  $|s_n| \leq M \forall n$ .

Also  $\exists N_1$  so that  $|s_n - s| < \epsilon_1 =$  \_\_\_\_\_ whenever  $n > N_1$ .

Since  $\lim t_n = t$ ,

$\exists N_2$  so that  $|t_n - t| < \epsilon_2 =$  \_\_\_\_\_ whenever  $n > N_2$ .

Let  $N =$  \_\_\_\_\_, then

$|s_n t_n - st| \leq |s_n| \cdot |t_n - t| + |t| \cdot |s_n - s|$  by sidework

$$< |s_n| \cdot \text{_____} + |t| \cdot \text{_____} \text{ whenever } n > N$$

$$< M \cdot \frac{\epsilon}{2M} + |t| \frac{\epsilon}{2|t|+1} < \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon$$

i.e.  $|s_n t_n - st| < \epsilon$  whenever  $n > N$ .

$\therefore \lim s_n \cdot t_n = st = \lim s_n \cdot \lim t_n$ . ■

Sidework

$$|s_n t_n - st| = |s_n t_n \text{ _____} - st|$$

$$\leq |s_n t_n - s_n t| + |s_n t - st|$$

$$= |s_n(t_n - t)| + |t(s_n - s)|$$

$$= |s_n| \cdot |t_n - t| + |t| \cdot |s_n - s|$$

$$< M \cdot \epsilon_2 + |t| \cdot \epsilon_1.$$

Choose  $\epsilon_1$  and  $\epsilon_2$  (both depend on  $\epsilon$ ),

so that this quantity  $< \epsilon$ .

$\epsilon_2 = \frac{\epsilon}{2M}$  &  $\epsilon_1 = \frac{\epsilon}{2|t|}$  seems to work, but

$|t|$  is a fixed constant that may be 0.

So use  $\epsilon_1 = \frac{\epsilon}{2|t|+1} < \frac{\epsilon}{2|t|}$

Then  $M \cdot \epsilon_2 + |t| \cdot \epsilon_1$

$$= M \cdot \frac{\epsilon}{2M} + |t| \cdot \frac{\epsilon}{2|t|+1}.$$

$$< \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \text{_____}$$

$$= \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon.$$

$$4. \lim \frac{1}{s_n} = \frac{1}{\lim s_n} = \frac{1}{s}$$

Claim: If  $\lim s_n = s$  where  $s_n \neq 0 \forall n$  and  $s \neq 0$ , then  $\inf\{|s_n| \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\} > 0$ .

**Homework:** Prove this claim.

PROOF

Let  $\epsilon > 0$  [Show  $\left|\frac{1}{s_n} - \frac{1}{s}\right| < \epsilon$ ]

Let  $m = \inf\{|s_n| \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ . Then \_\_\_\_\_ by the claim.

Then by \_\_\_\_\_  $|s_n| \geq m \forall n$ .

Let  $\epsilon_1 = \epsilon m |s|$

Since  $s_n$  converges,  $\exists N$  so that  $|s_n - s| < \epsilon_1 =$  \_\_\_\_\_ whenever  $n > N$ .

Consider  $\left|\frac{1}{s_n} - \frac{1}{s}\right| =$  \_\_\_\_\_ [Complete the proof from here].

$$5. \lim \frac{t_n}{s_n} = \frac{\lim t_n}{\lim s_n} = \frac{t}{s}$$

**Homework:** Prove Law 5. [Hint: Use Laws 3 & 4.]

**Homework:**

Finish Worksheet;

Section 8, p. 42: #3, 4, 5, 6(a);

Section 9, p. 52: #1, 2, 5, 6