

## Limit Law 4

If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = M$  then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} [f(x)g(x)] = LM$ .

### Proof:

Given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , chose  $\varepsilon_1 > 0$  such that  $(|L| + |M|)\varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_1^2 = \varepsilon$ . By definition of limit there are positive numbers  $\delta_1, \delta_2$  such that  $|f(x) - L| < \varepsilon_1$  whenever  $0 < |x - a| < \delta_1$  and  $|g(x) - M| < \varepsilon_1$  whenever  $0 < |x - a| < \delta_2$ . Let  $\delta = \min\{\delta_1, \delta_2\}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| f(x)g(x) - LM \right| = \left| f(x)g(x) - f(x)M + f(x)M - LM \right| \\ & \text{(By Triangle Inequality)} \leq \left| f(x)g(x) - f(x)M \right| + \left| f(x)M - LM \right| \\ & = \left| f(x) \right| \cdot \left| g(x) - M \right| + \left| f(x) - L \right| \cdot \left| M \right| \\ & \text{(By Triangle Inequality)} \leq (|L| + |f(x) - L|) \cdot |g(x) - M| + |f(x) - L| \cdot |M| \\ & < (|L| + \varepsilon_1)\varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_1|M| \\ & = (|L| + |M|)\varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_1^2 = \varepsilon, \end{aligned}$$

whenever  $0 < |x - a| < \delta$ . Thus  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} [f(x)g(x)] = LM$ .