

THEOREM 2.3 Limit Laws

Assume $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$ exist. The following properties hold, where c is a real number and $m > 0$ and $n > 0$ are integers.

1. **Sum** $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} [f(x) + g(x)] = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) + \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$
2. **Difference** $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} [f(x) - g(x)] = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) - \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$
3. **Constant multiple** $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} [c f(x)] = c \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$
4. **Product** $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} [f(x) g(x)] = \left[\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \right] \left[\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) \right]$
5. **Quotient** $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left[\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right] = \frac{\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)}{\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)}$, provided $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) \neq 0$
6. **Power** $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} [f(x)]^n = \left[\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \right]^n$
7. **Fractional power** $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} [f(x)]^{n/m} = \left[\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \right]^{n/m}$, provided $f(x) \geq 0$, for x near a , if m is even and n/m is reduced to lowest terms