

**Theorem.** If  $\lim a_n = A$  and  $\lim b_n = B$ , then  $\lim a_n b_n = AB$ .

**Proof.** Let  $\epsilon > 0$  be given.

Since the sequence  $(b_n)$  converges, then it is bounded. Therefore there exists a real number  $M$  such that, for every natural number  $n$ , we have  $|b_n| \leq M$ . Define  $M_1$  to be the larger of  $M$  and 1. Since  $M_1 \geq 1$  then  $M_1 > 0$ , and for every natural number  $n$  we have  $|b_n| \leq M_1$ , so  $|b_n|/M_1 \leq 1$ .

Since  $\lim a_n = A$ , then by definition of limit, there exists  $K_1 \in \mathbf{N}$  such that for all  $n \geq K_1$ ,  $|a_n - A| < \epsilon/2M_1$ .

Define  $M_2$  to be the larger of  $|A|$  and 1. Since  $M_2 \geq 1$  then  $M_2 > 0$ , and we have  $|A|/M_2 \leq 1$ .

Since  $\lim b_n = B$ , then by definition of limit, there exists  $K_2 \in \mathbf{N}$  such that for all  $n \geq K_1$ ,  $|b_n - B| < \epsilon/2M_2$ .

Now let  $K$  be the larger of  $K_1$  and  $K_2$ . For every natural number  $n$  greater than  $K$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} |a_n b_n - AB| &= |a_n b_n - Ab_n + Ab_n - AB| \\ &\leq |a_n b_n - Ab_n| + |Ab_n - AB| \\ &= |a_n - A| |b_n| + |b_n - B| |A| \\ &< \left( \frac{\epsilon}{2M_1} \right) |b_n| + \left( \frac{\epsilon}{2M_2} \right) |A| \\ &= \frac{\epsilon}{2} \left( \frac{|b_n|}{M_1} + \frac{|A|}{M_2} \right) \\ &\leq \frac{\epsilon}{2} (1 + 1) = \epsilon, \end{aligned}$$

which proves that

$$|a_n b_n - AB| < \epsilon.$$