

- Today we will discuss limit laws.
- Homework before Wednesday's class: watch videos 2.12, 2.13.

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3. Write down a complete formal proof.

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By contradiction: assume that $L_1 \neq L_2$. Then take $\varepsilon = |L_1 - L_2|/3 > 0$. Then $\exists \delta > 0$ s.t. ...

Some strange guys

Can you find functions $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ with the following properties?

- 1 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$ does not exist and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (f(x) + g(x)) = 0$.
- 2 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = 0$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)g(x) = 14$.
- 3 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$ does not exist and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} g(x)$ does not exist, but $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)g(x) = 0$.
- 4 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = 2$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} g(x) = 3$, but $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} g(f(x)) = 14$.

Indeterminate form

Let $a \in \mathbb{R}$.

Let f and g be functions defined near a .

Assume $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = 0$.

What can we conclude about $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$?

1. The limit is 1.
2. The limit is 0.
3. The limit is ∞ .
4. The limit does not exist.
5. We do not have enough information to decide.