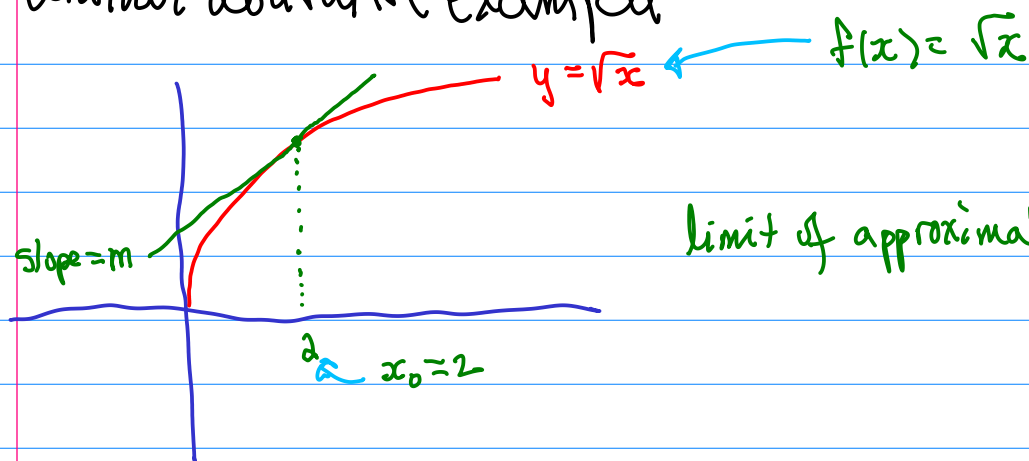


Another derivative example



$$m = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0+h) - f(x_0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{2+h} - \sqrt{2}}{h}$$

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julia> Q(h)=(sqrt(2+h)-sqrt(2))/h
Q (generic function with 1 method)
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julia> Q(0.1)
0.34924112245848793
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julia> Q(0.01)
0.35311255026873045
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julia> Q(0.001)
0.3535092074644641
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$h$	$\frac{\sqrt{2+h} - \sqrt{2}}{h}$
0.1	0.34924112245848793
0.01	0.35311255026873045
0.001	0.3535092074644641
$\downarrow$	
0	0.3535...

Algebra to see what happens when  $h \rightarrow 0$   
make a difference of squares...

$$\frac{(\sqrt{2+h} - \sqrt{2})}{h} \cdot \frac{(\sqrt{2+h} + \sqrt{2})}{\sqrt{2+h} + \sqrt{2}} = \frac{(\sqrt{2+h})^2 - (\sqrt{2})^2}{h(\sqrt{2+h} + \sqrt{2})} = \frac{2+h-2}{h(\sqrt{2+h} + \sqrt{2})} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2+h} + \sqrt{2}}$$

$$m = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{2+h} - \sqrt{2}}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2+h} + \sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} =$$

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julia> 1/(2*sqrt(2))
0.35355339059327373
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actual slope of  
tangent

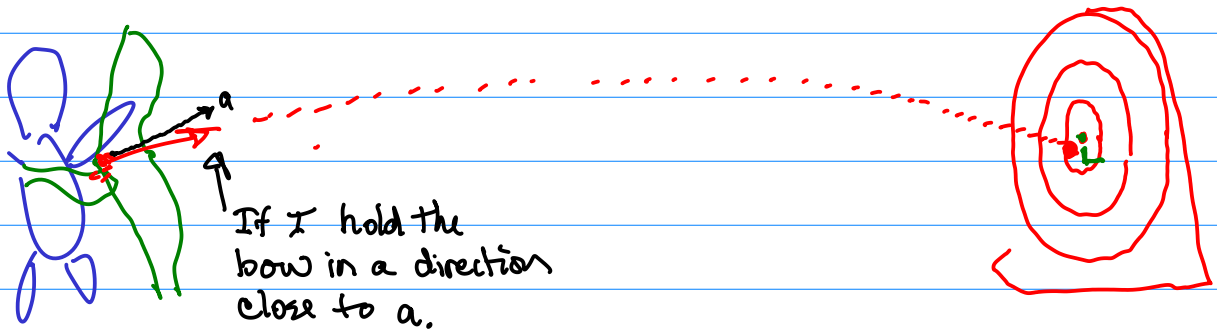
**1 Intuitive Definition of a Limit** Suppose  $f(x)$  is defined when  $x$  is near the number  $a$ . (This means that  $f$  is defined on some open interval that contains  $a$ , except possibly at  $a$  itself.) Then we write

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$$

and say

“the limit of  $f(x)$ , as  $x$  approaches  $a$ , equals  $L$ ”

if we can make the values of  $f(x)$  arbitrarily close to  $L$  (as close to  $L$  as we like) by restricting  $x$  to be sufficiently close to  $a$  (on either side of  $a$ ) but not equal to  $a$ .



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julia> Q(0.0)
NaN
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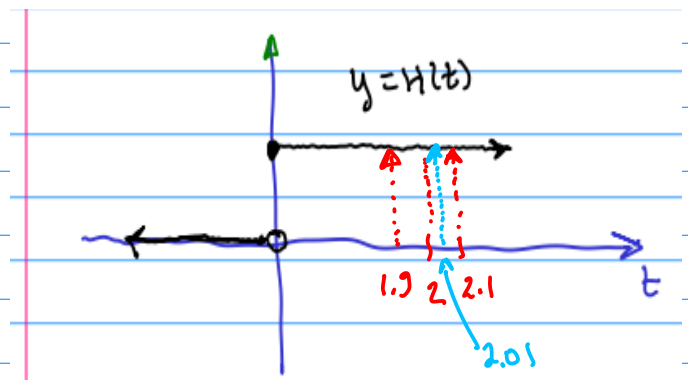
can't hold the bow in exactly the direction of  $a$ .

- Idea of limit is can't just plug in 0 but there is a approximating process that gets close the the "bullseye" as much as you like...

Example.

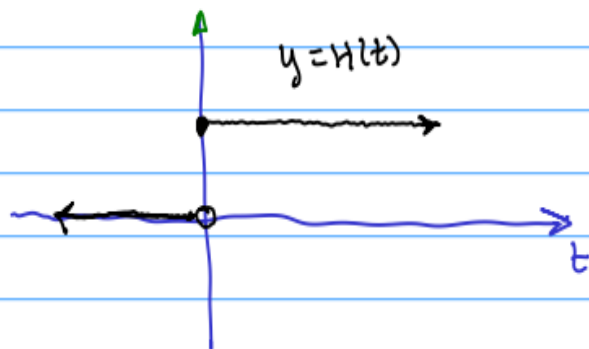
$$H(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } t < 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } t \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 2} H(t) = \lim_{\substack{t \rightarrow 2 \\ t \geq 0}} 1 = 1$$

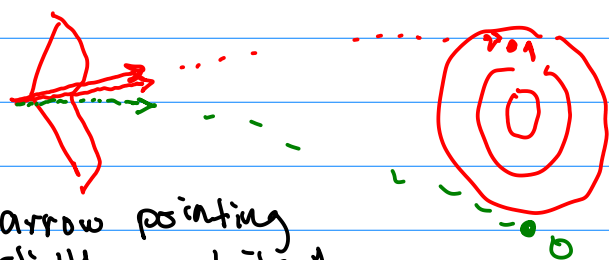


$t$	$H(t)$
2.1	1
1.9	1
2.01	1

$$H(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } t < 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } t \geq 0 \end{cases}$$



$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} H(t)$  = does not exist  
DNE



arrow pointing  
slightly up hits 1

arrow pointing  
slightly down hits 0

$t$	$H(t)$
1	1
0.01	1
-0.1	0
-0.01	0
-0.0001	0
+0.0001	1

No approximating any identifiable  
result as  $t \rightarrow 0$ .

On the other hand if  $t > 0$  then  $H(t) = 1$  so

$$\lim_{\substack{t \rightarrow 0^+ \\ \text{from the right}}} H(t) = \lim_{\substack{t \rightarrow 0 \\ t > 0}} H(t) = \lim_{\substack{t \rightarrow 0 \\ t > 0}} 1 = 1$$

On the other hand if  $t < 0$  then  $H(t) = 0$  so

$$\lim_{\substack{t \rightarrow 0^- \\ \text{from the left}}} H(t) = \lim_{\substack{t \rightarrow 0 \\ t < 0}} H(t) = \lim_{\substack{t \rightarrow 0 \\ t < 0}} 0 = 0$$

## 2 Definition of One-Sided Limits We write

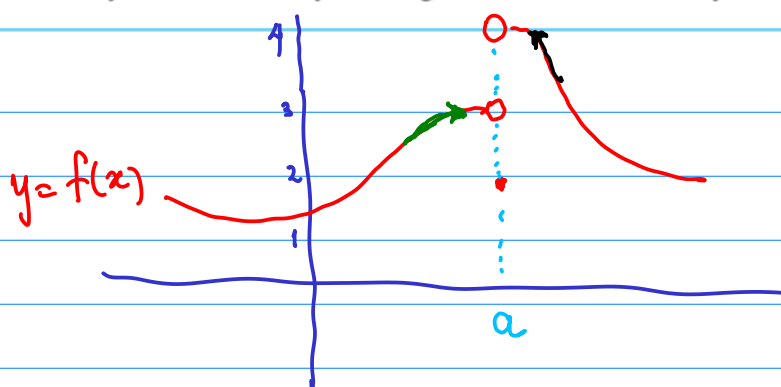
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x) = L$$

and say the **left-hand limit** of  $f(x)$  as  $x$  approaches  $a$  [or the **limit of  $f(x)$  as  $x$  approaches  $a$  from the left**] is equal to  $L$  if we can make the values of  $f(x)$  arbitrarily close to  $L$  by taking  $x$  to be sufficiently close to  $a$  with  $x$  *less than*  $a$ .

## 2 Definition of One-Sided Limits We write

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = L$$

and say the **right-hand limit** of  $f(x)$  as  $x$  approaches  $a$  [or the **limit of  $f(x)$  as  $x$  approaches  $a$  from the right**] is equal to  $L$  if we can make the values of  $f(x)$  arbitrarily close to  $L$  by taking  $x$  to be sufficiently close to  $a$  with  $x$  *greater than*  $a$ .



$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x) = 4$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x) = 3$$

## 4 Intuitive Definition of an Infinite Limit Let $f$ be a function defined on both sides of $a$ , except possibly at $a$ itself. Then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \infty$$

means that the values of  $f(x)$  can be made arbitrarily large (as large as we please) by taking  $x$  sufficiently close to  $a$ , but not equal to  $a$ .

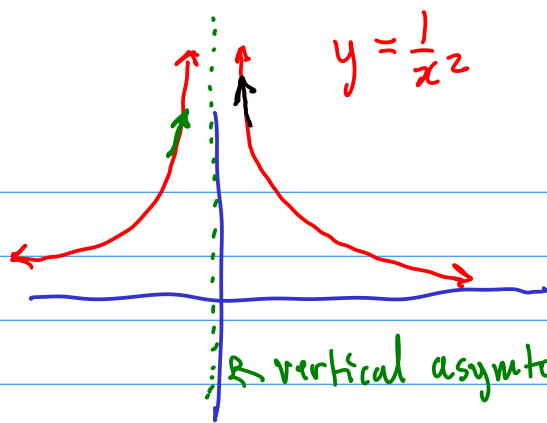
*better and better approx. of  $\infty$*

## 5 Definition Let $f$ be a function defined on both sides of $a$ , except possibly at $a$ itself. Then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = -\infty$$

means that the values of  $f(x)$  can be made arbitrarily large negative by taking  $x$  sufficiently close to  $a$ , but not equal to  $a$ .

*better and better approx of  $-\infty$*



$$y = \frac{1}{x^2}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{1}{x^2} = \infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{x^2} = \infty$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x^2} = \infty$$

If the limit from left is  
lim from right then

general limit is  
the same

The Quiz on Thursday covers

- Homework 1: Section 2.2#4,5,6,7,8,9

Note this homework is not to turn in, only to prepare for the quiz and aid in understanding.

Example from after class

4. Use the given graph of  $f$  to state the value of each quantity, if it exists. If it does not exist, explain why.

a.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} f(x) = 3$

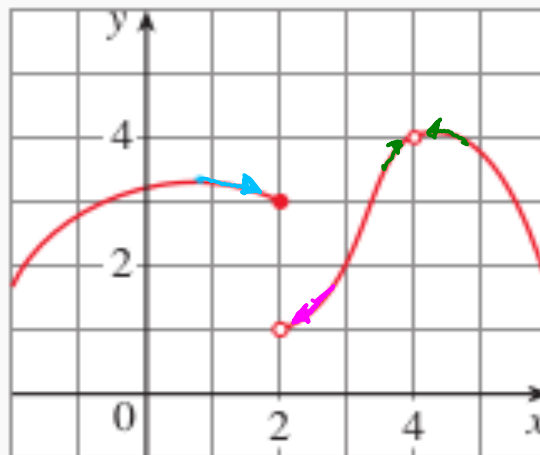
b.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = 1$

c.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x)$  = does not exist because (a) and (b) are different.

→ d.  $f(2) = 3$

e.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} f(x) = 4$

→ f.  $f(4) = \text{DNE}$



not  
calculus

not  
calculus  
no point  
on graph