## Week 78 (3/8/04)

## Infinite square roots

Find the value of

$$
\sqrt{1-\sqrt{\frac{17}{16}-\sqrt{1-\sqrt{\frac{17}{16}-\sqrt{1-\cdots}}}}}
$$

Assume, when taking the limit, that deep within the nested square roots we choose to begin with a " 1 " (starting with a " $17 / 16$ " would yield a complex number).

