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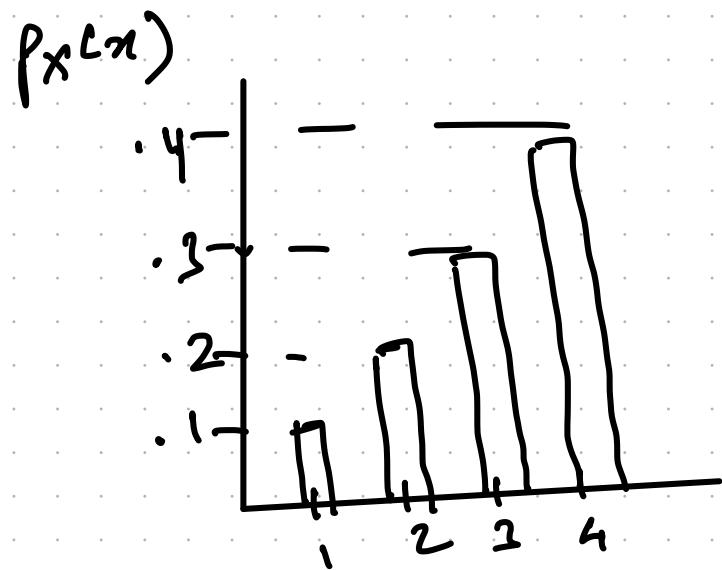
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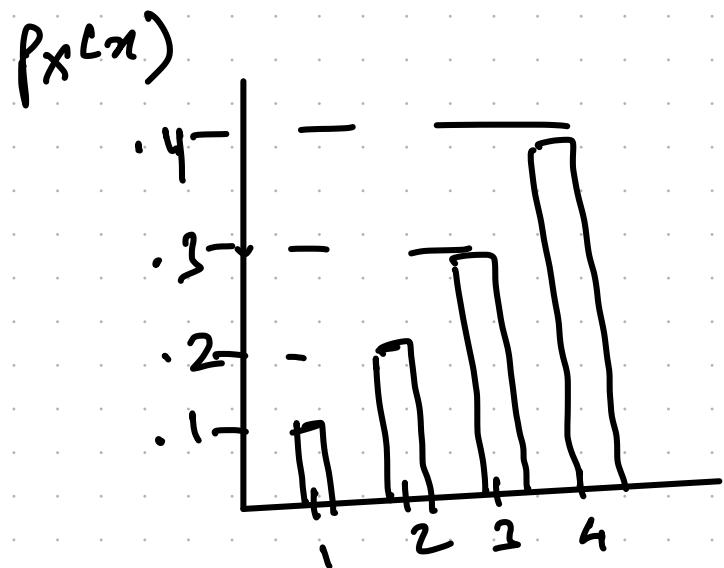
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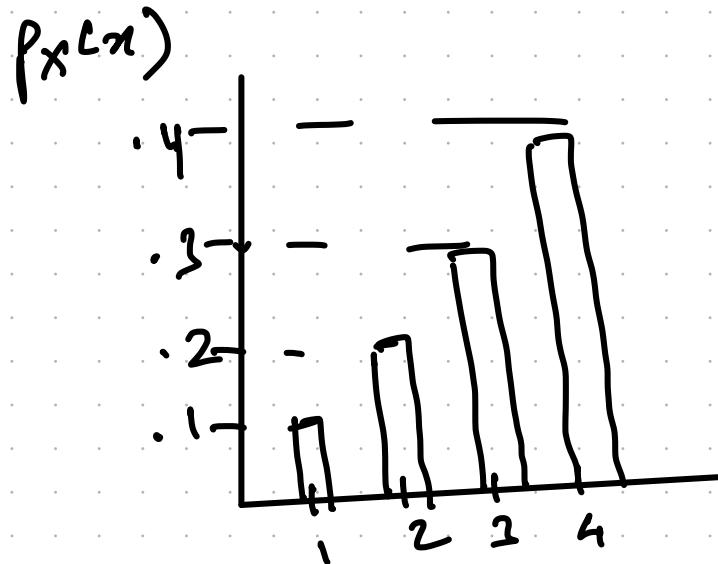
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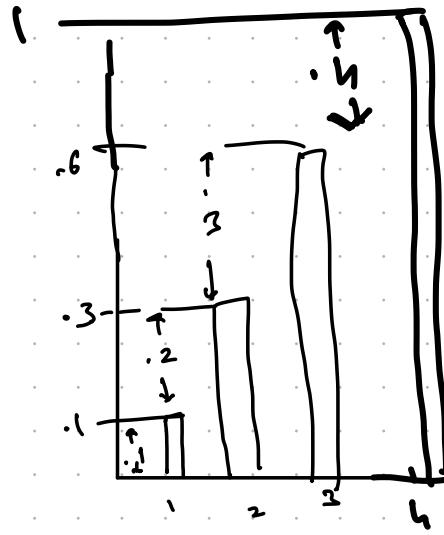
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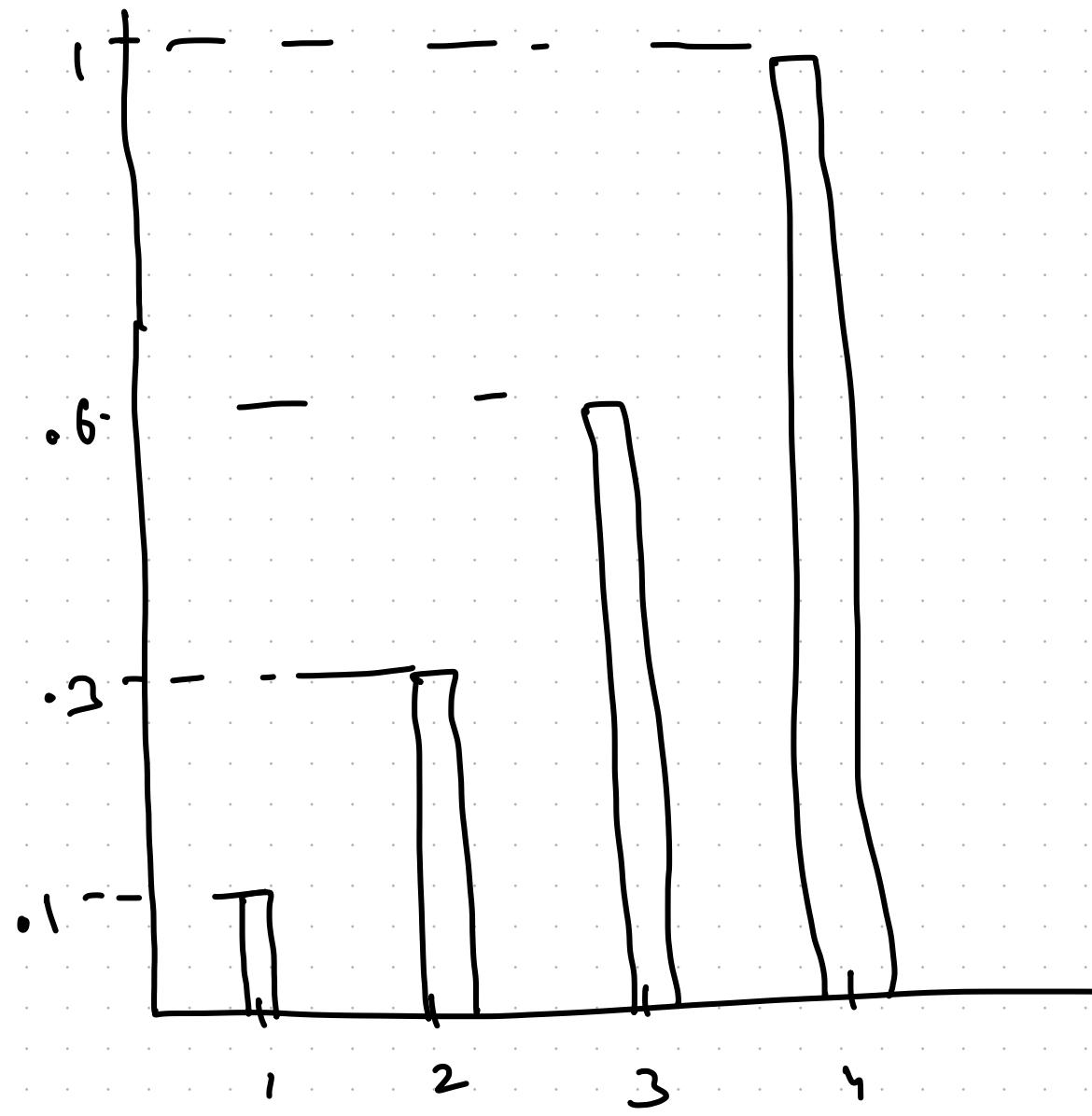
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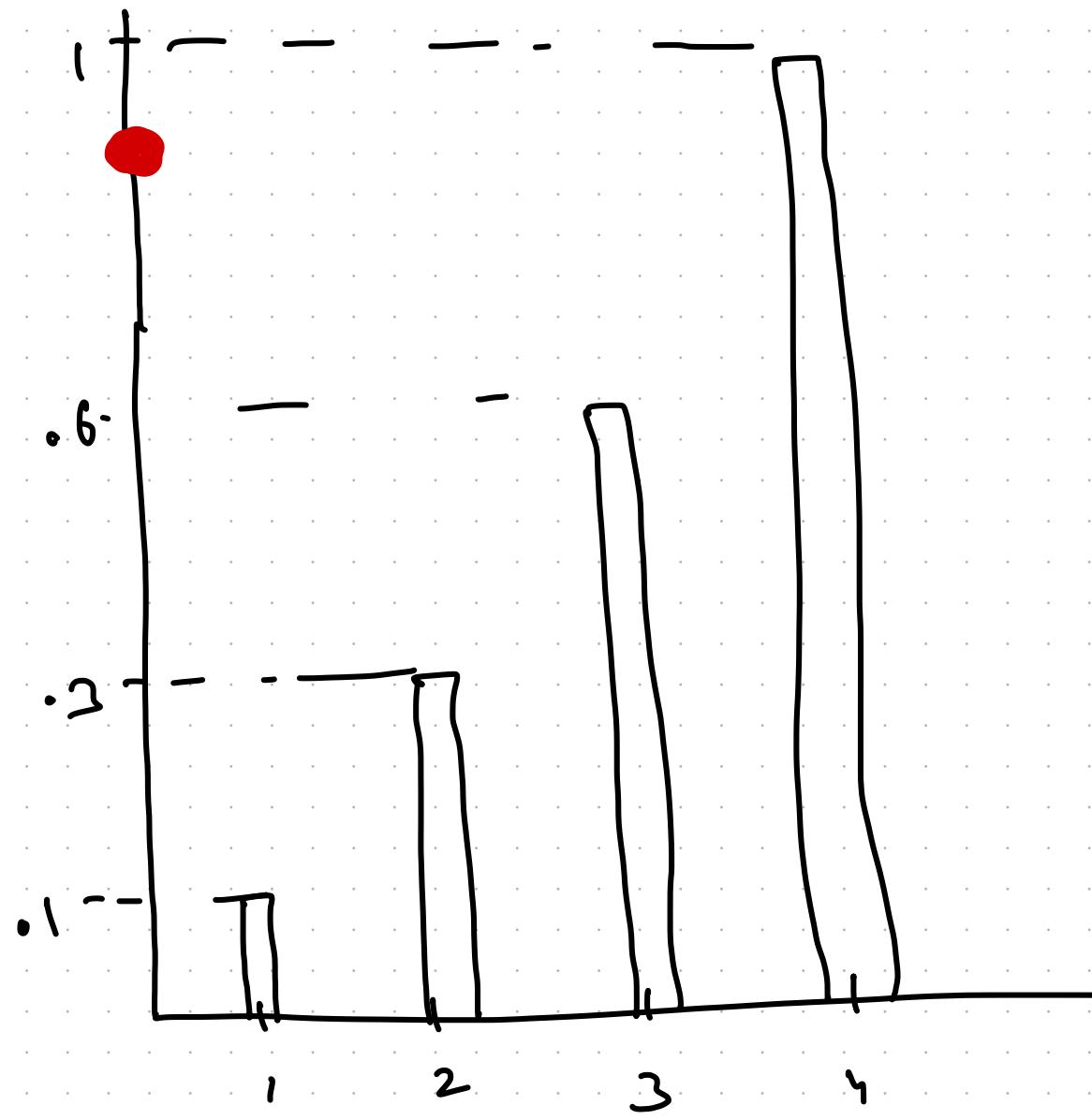


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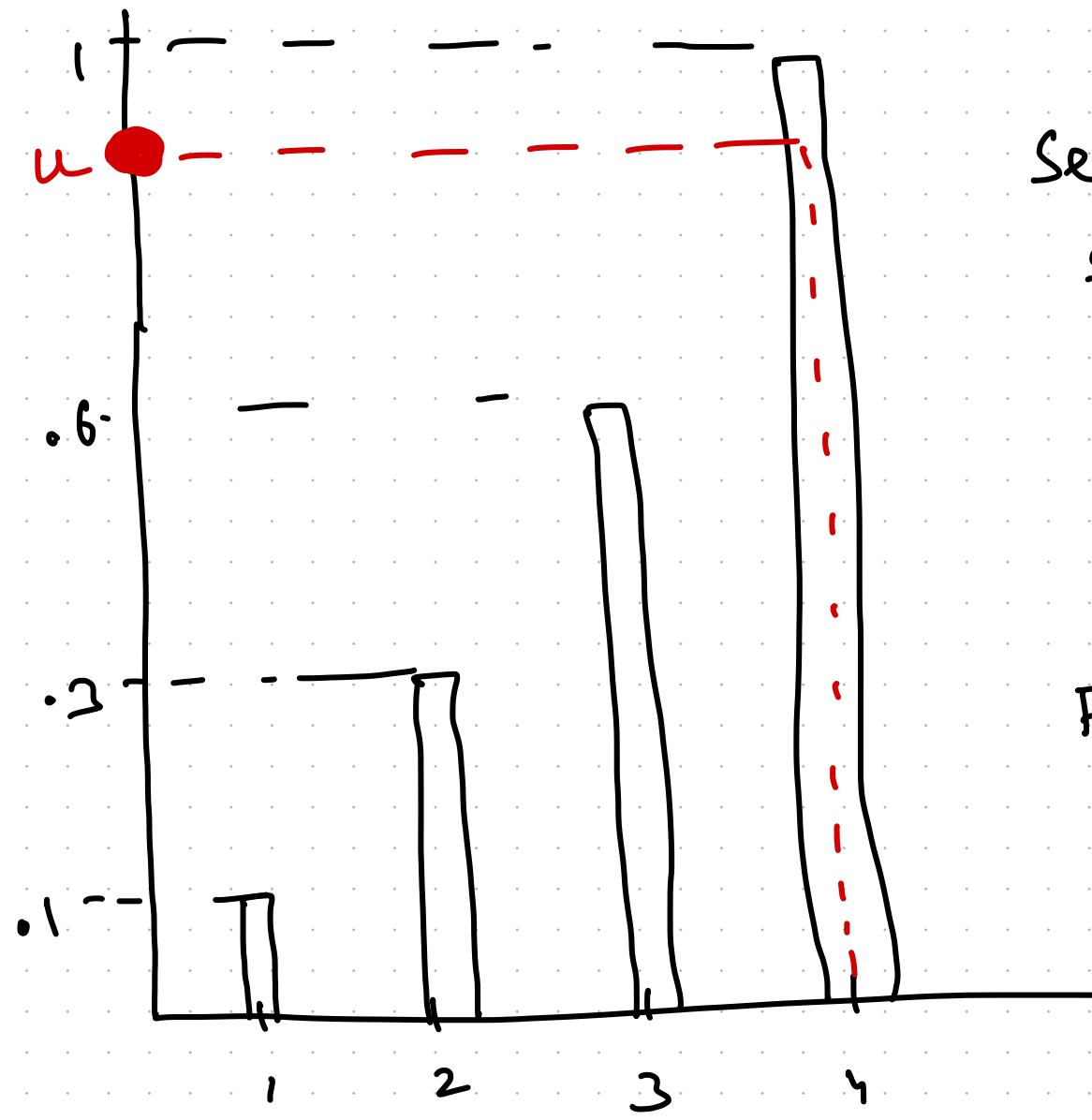




CUMULATIVE  
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of  
 $\frac{P(X=x)}{F_X(x)}$   
given as  
 $F_X(x)$



Sample from  
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and put on  
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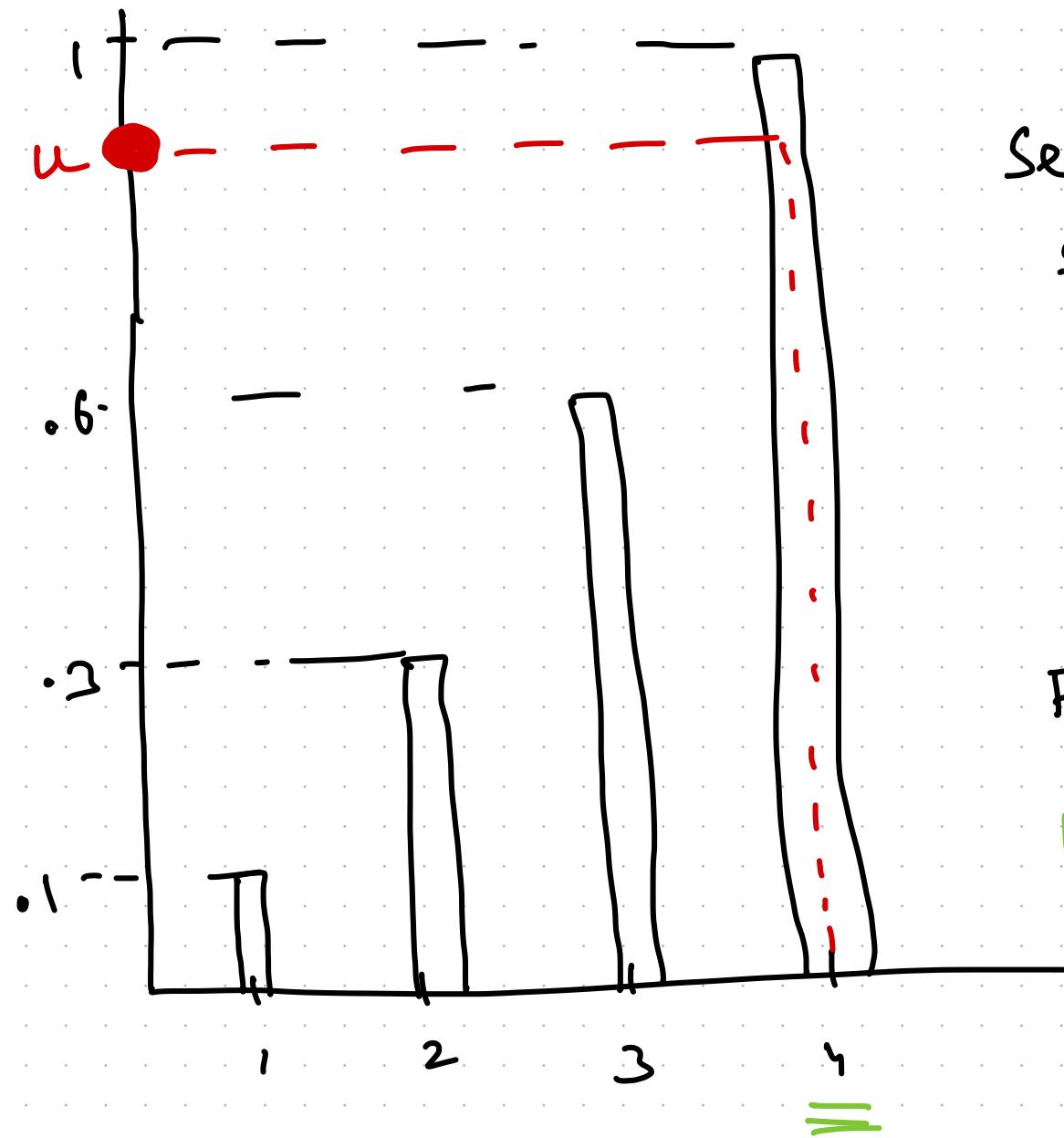


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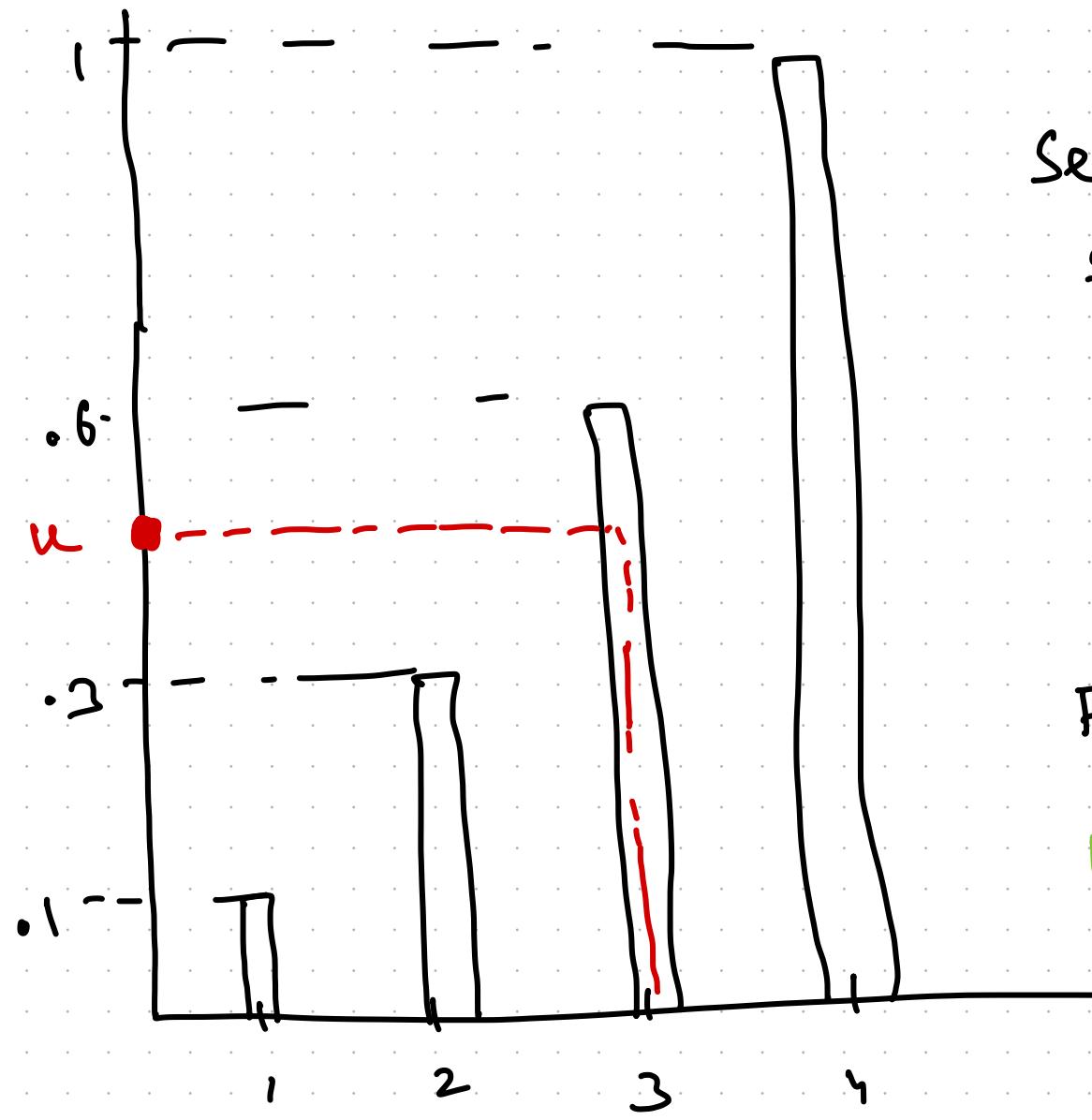
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Notebook | Proof coming up

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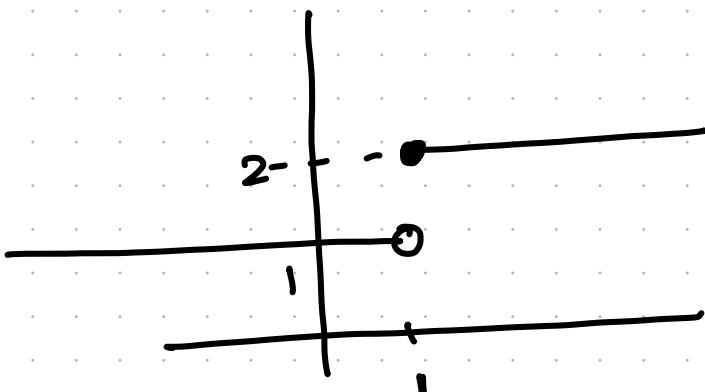
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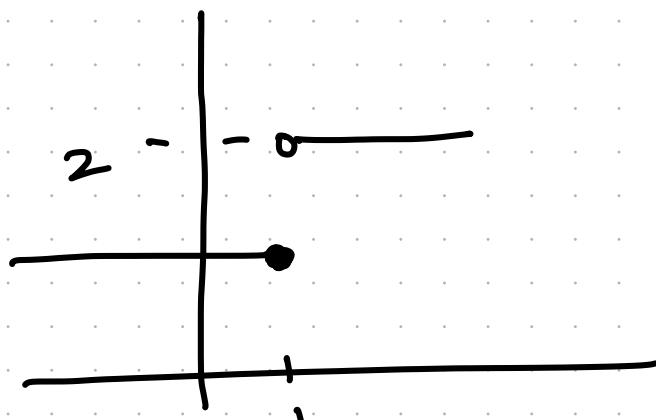
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$$\begin{aligned} f(1^-) &= f(1) = 1 \\ f(1^+) &\neq f(1) \end{aligned}$$

## CDF

CDF of discrete r.v.  $X$  is

$$F_X(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} P[X \leq x] = \sum_{k \leq x} p_X(k)$$

\* CDF is integration of PMF

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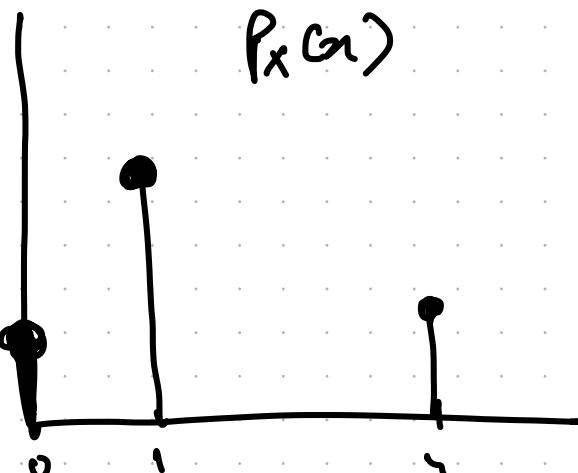
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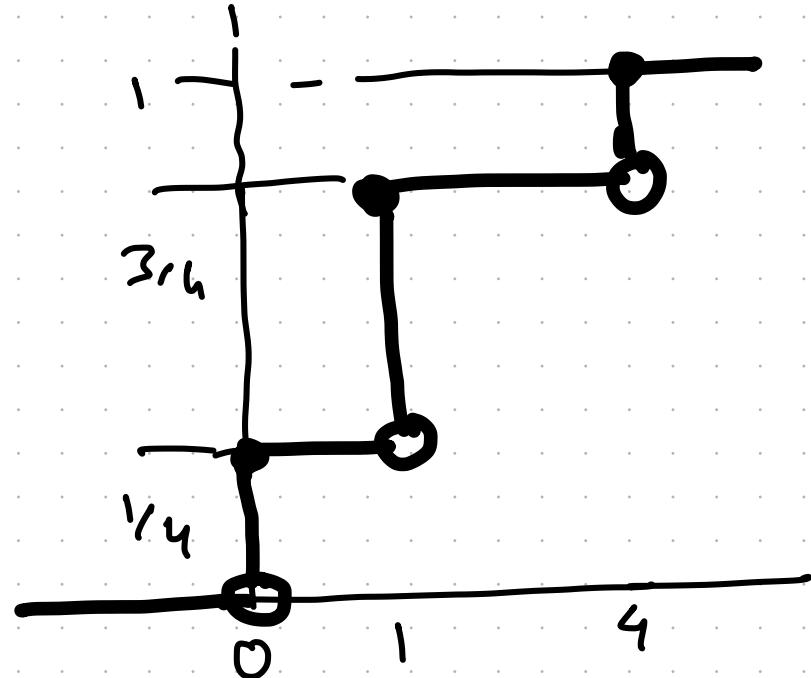
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## Properties of CDF

- ① CDF is sequence of increasing steps
- ②  $F_x(\infty) = 1$
- ③  $F_x(-\infty) = 0$
- ④ When  $f_x(x) > 0$ ; there is a jump
- ⑤ Height of jump is  $P(X = k)$
- ⑥ CDF is right continuous

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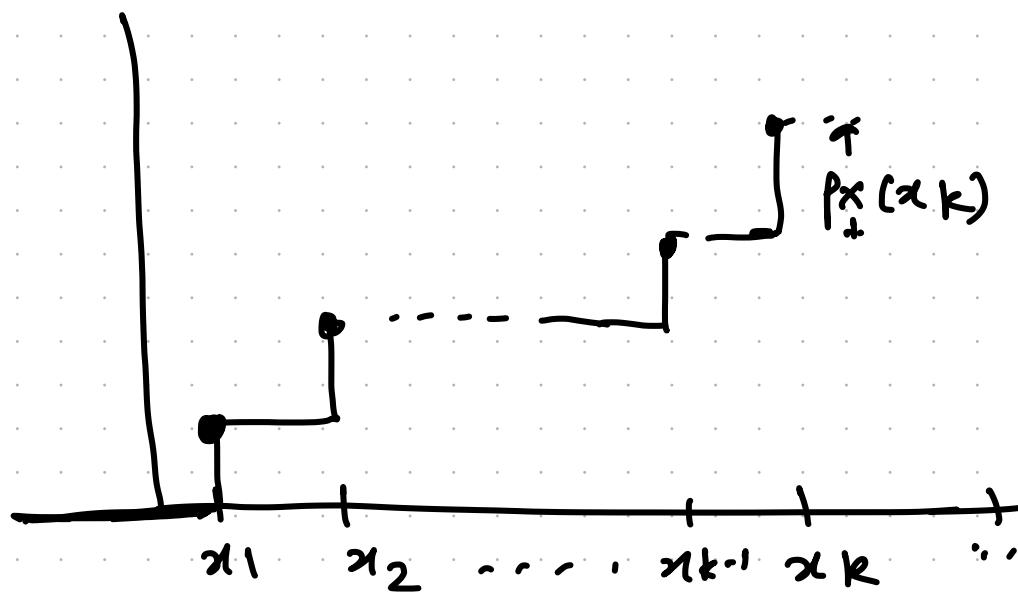
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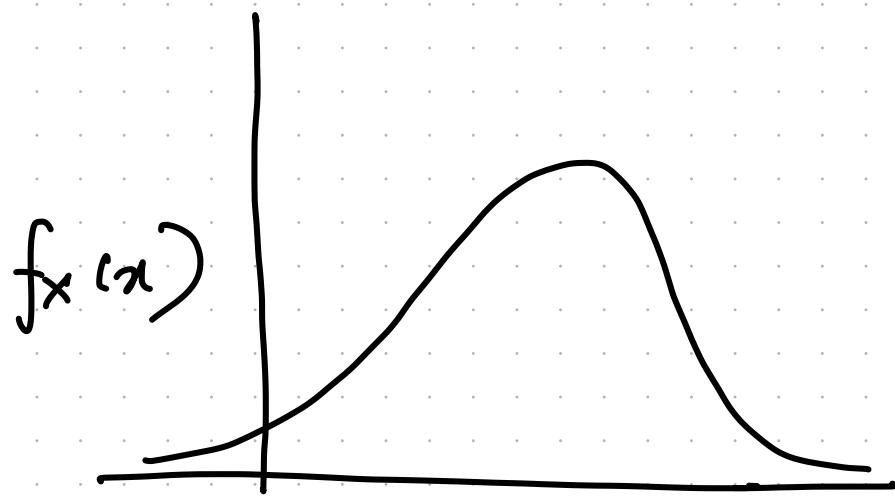
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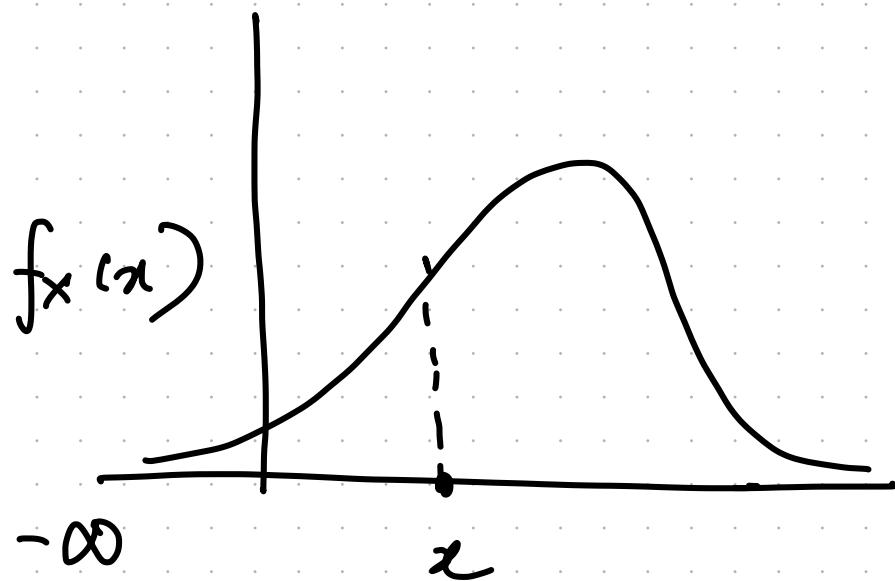


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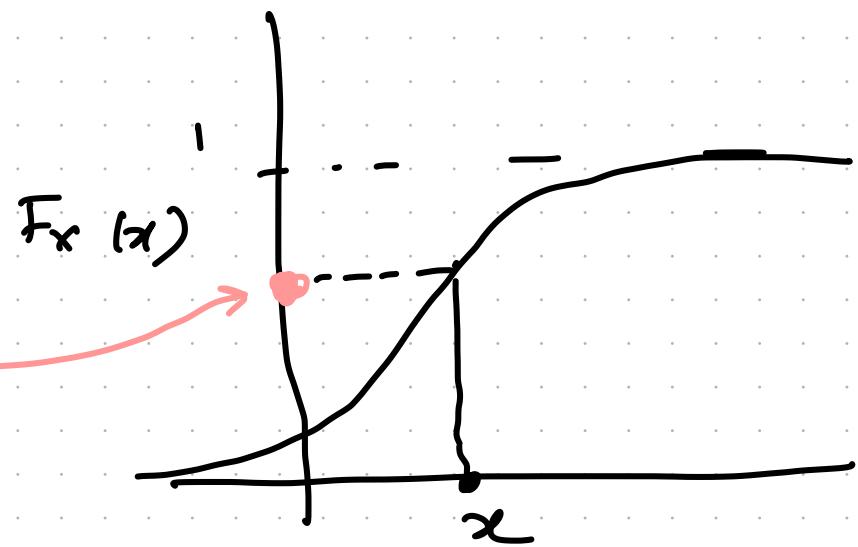
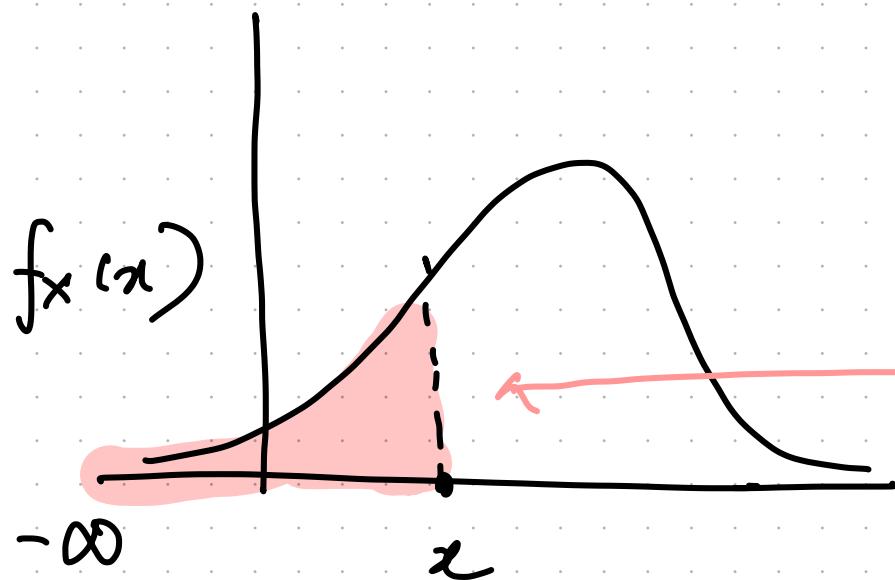


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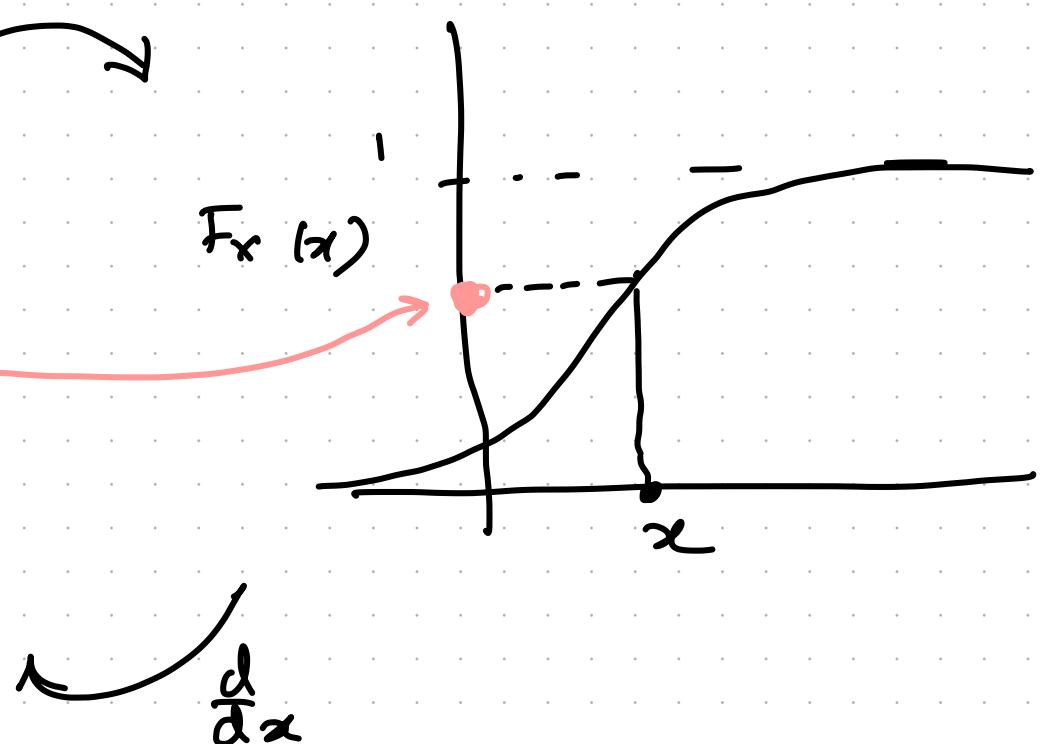
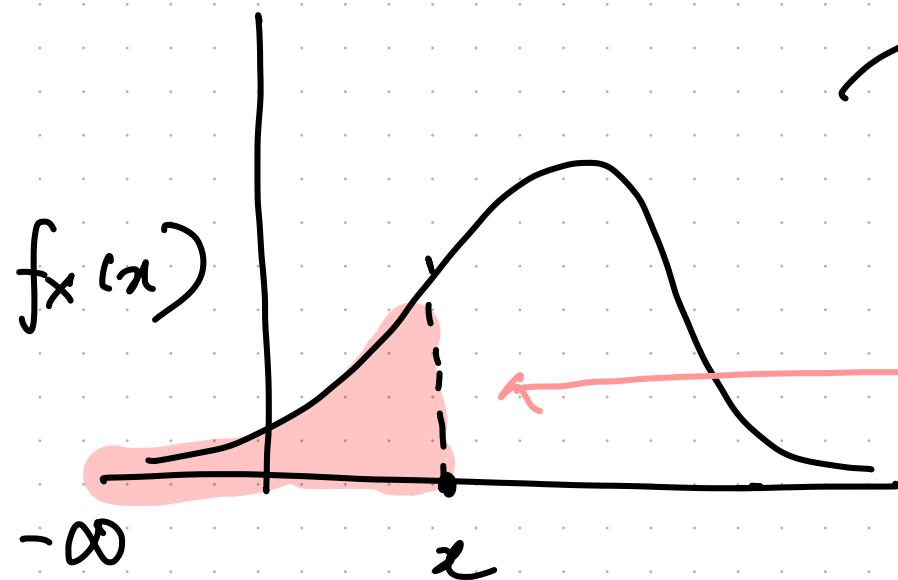


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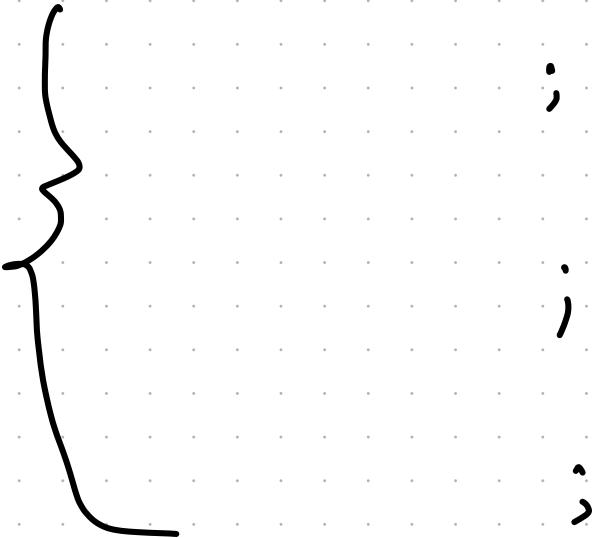
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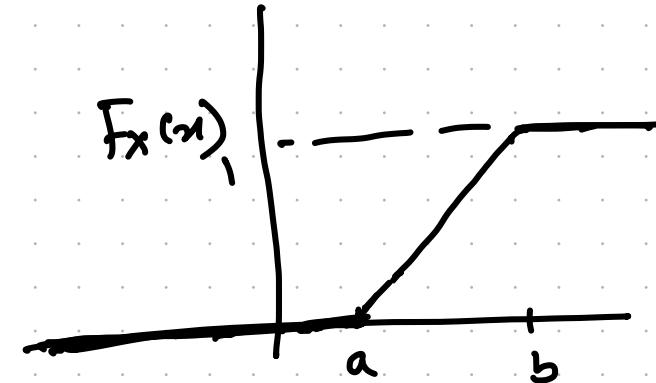
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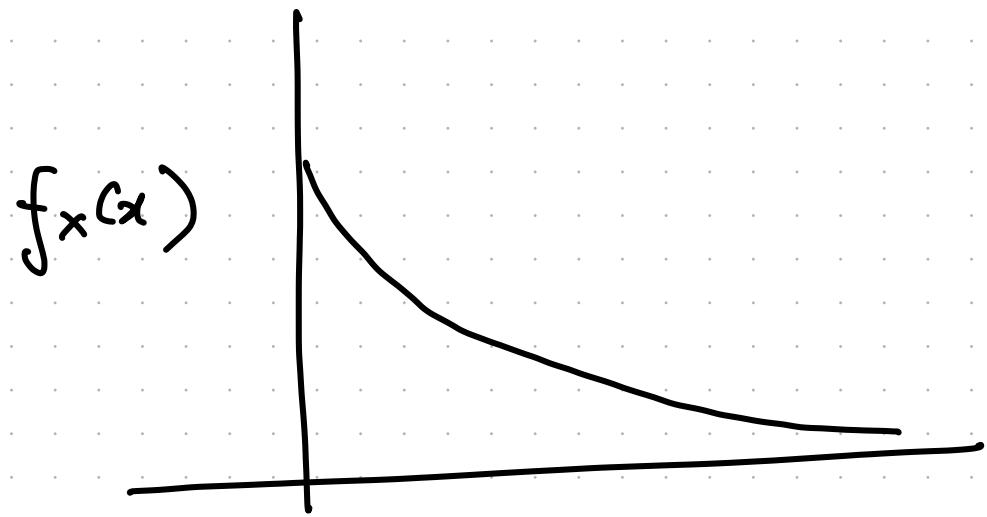
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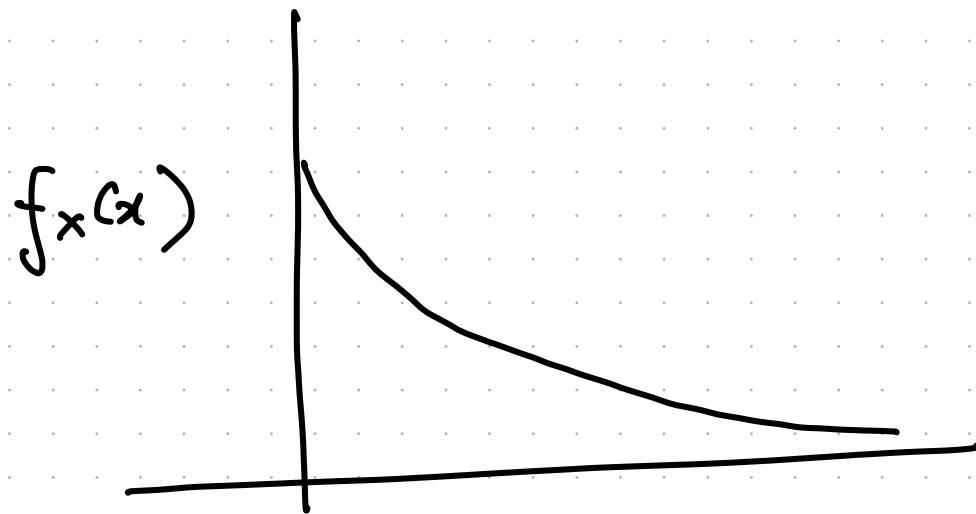
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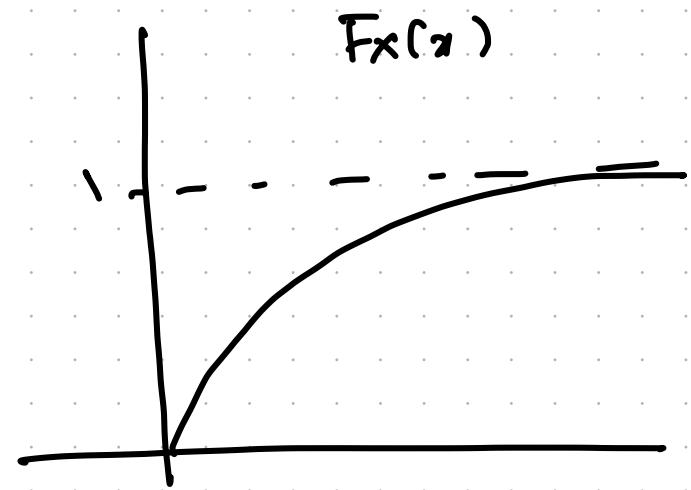
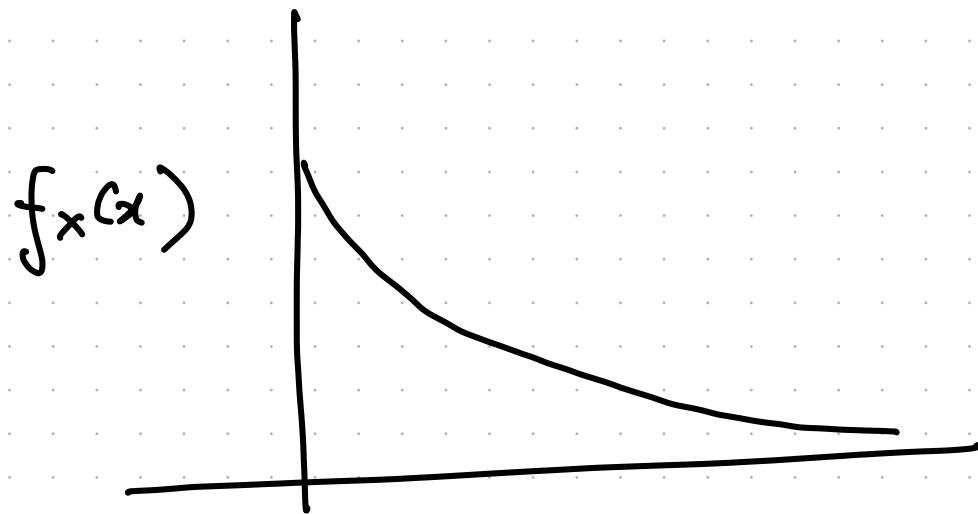
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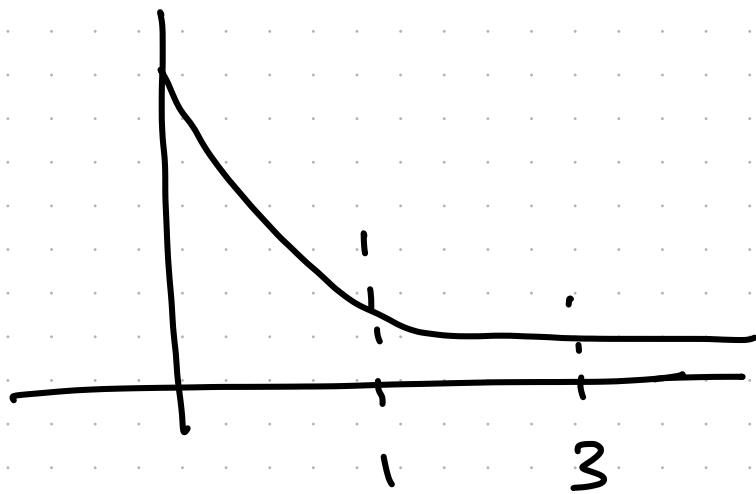
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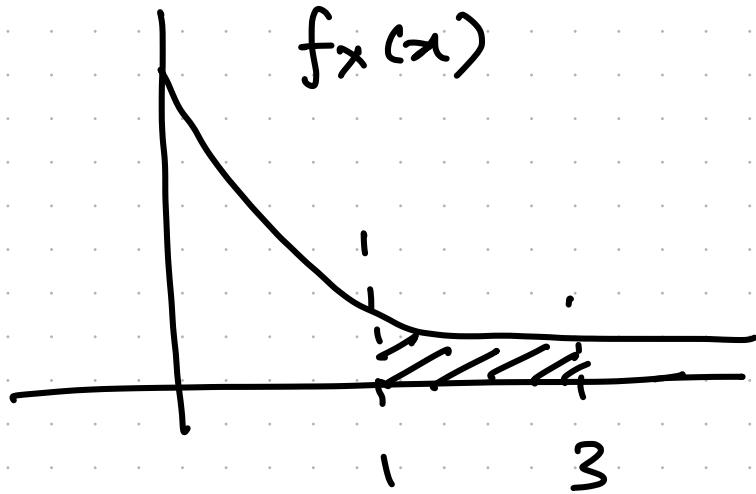
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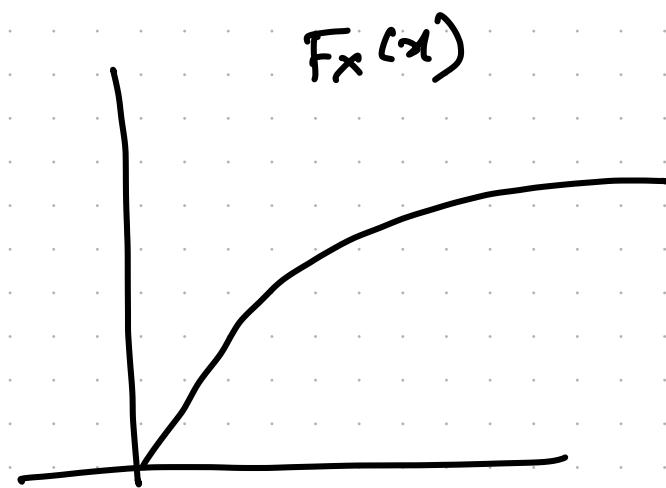
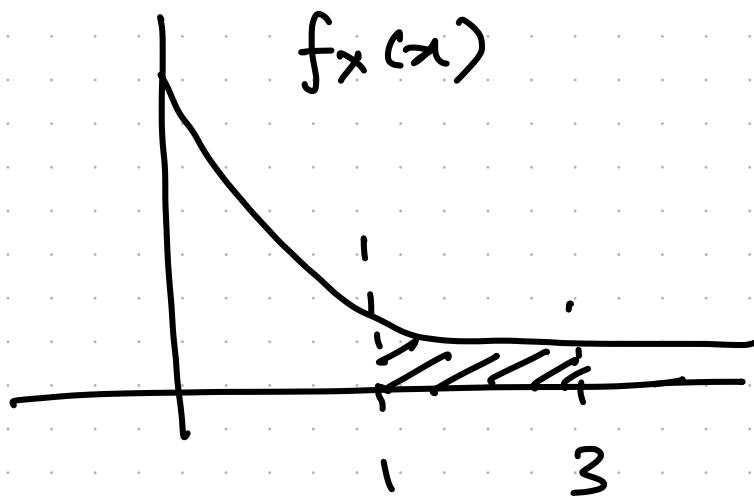


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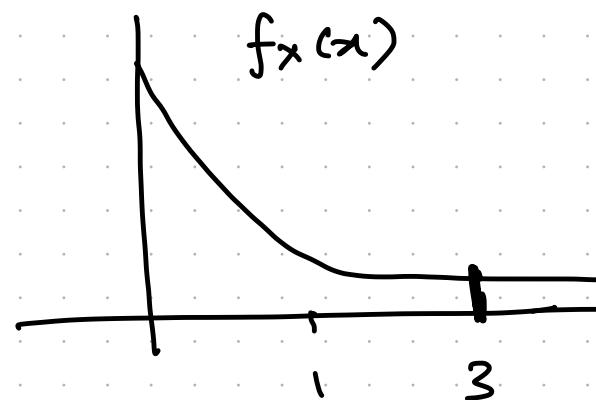
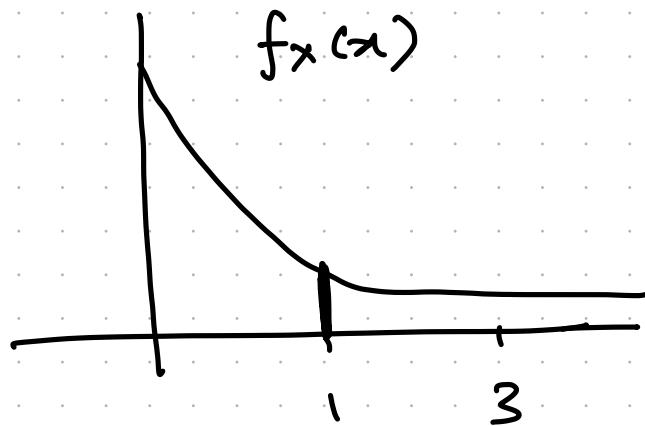
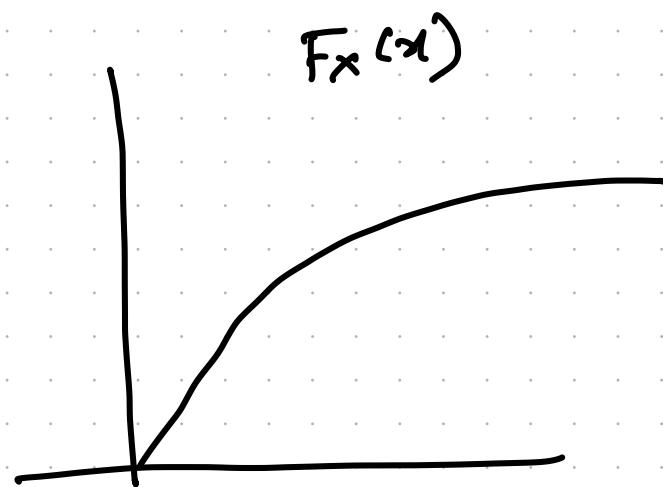
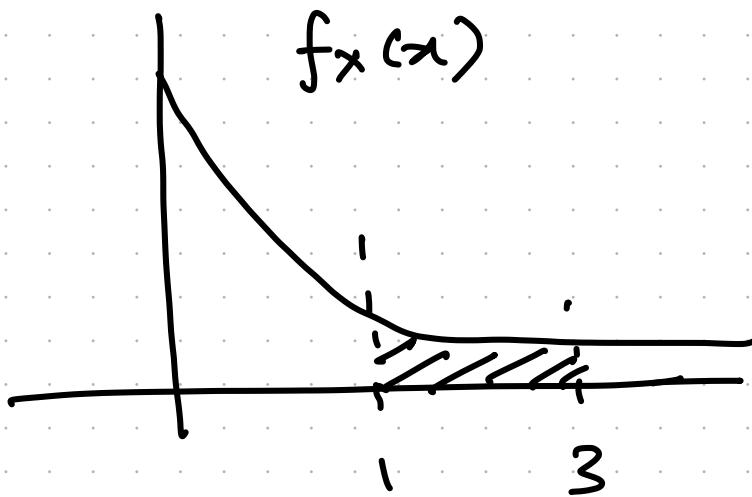
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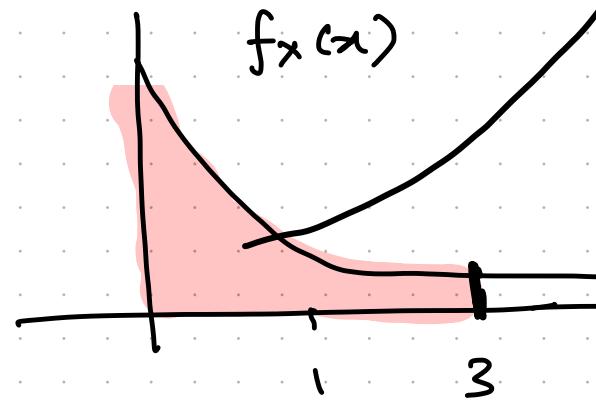
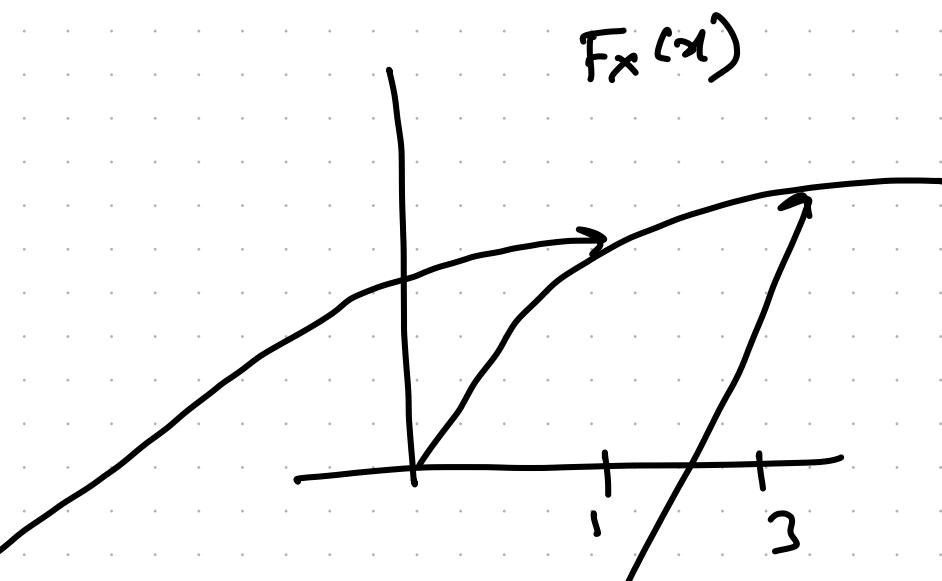
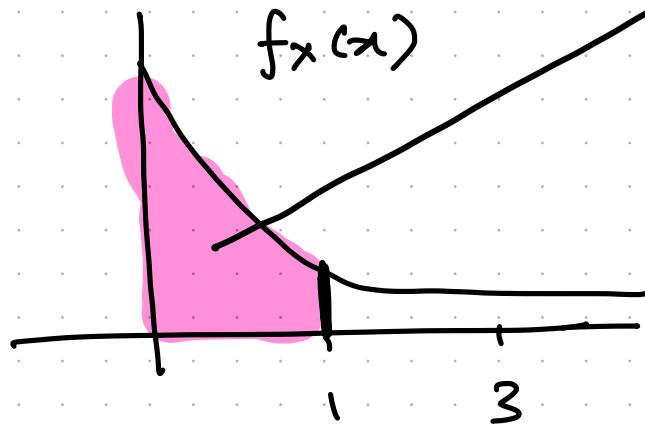
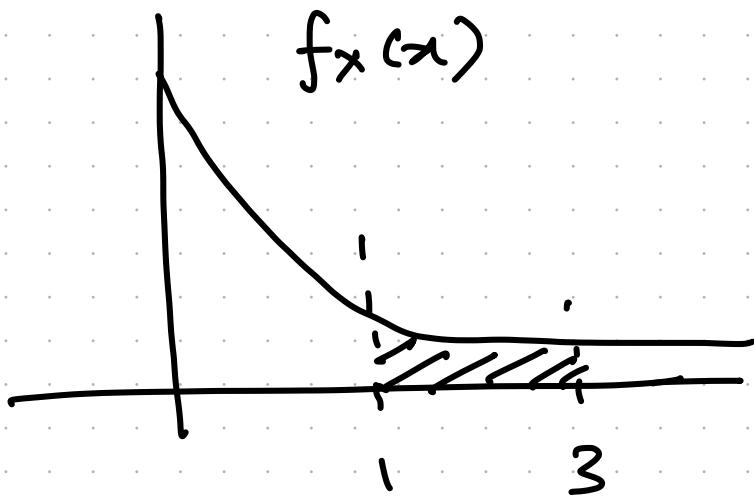
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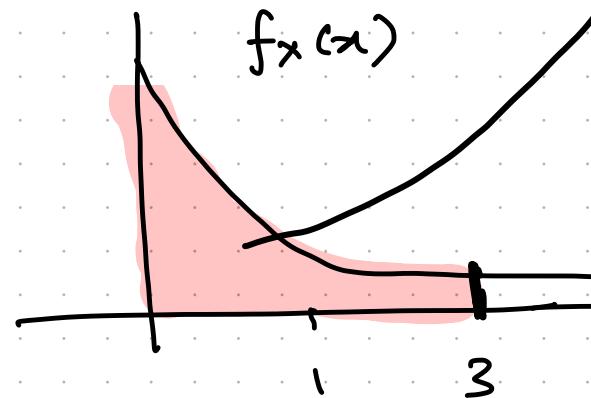
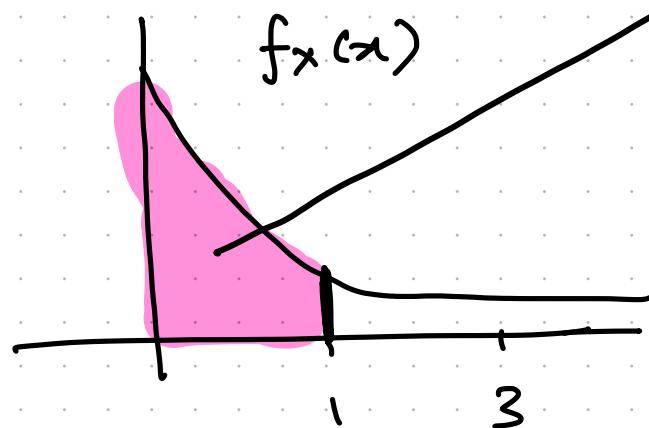
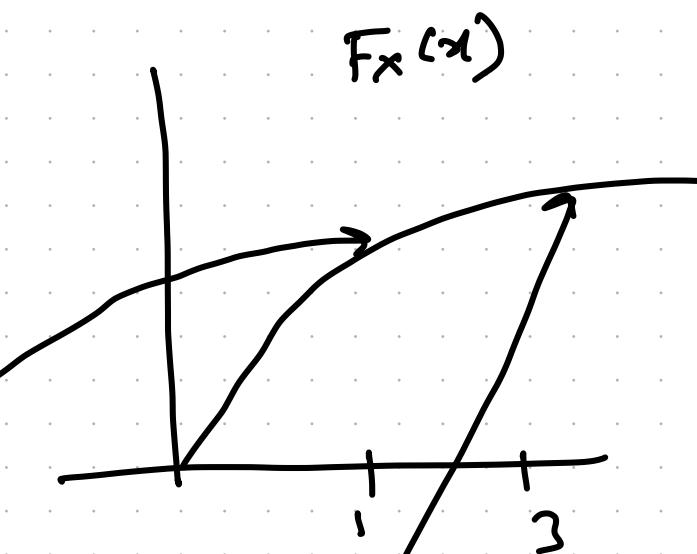
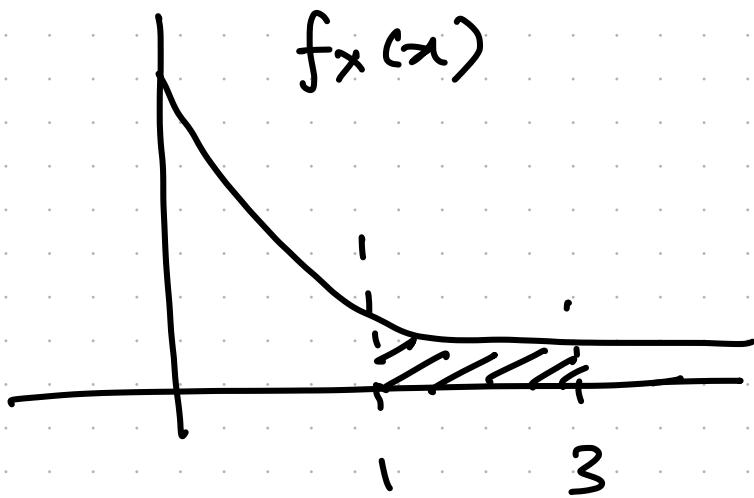
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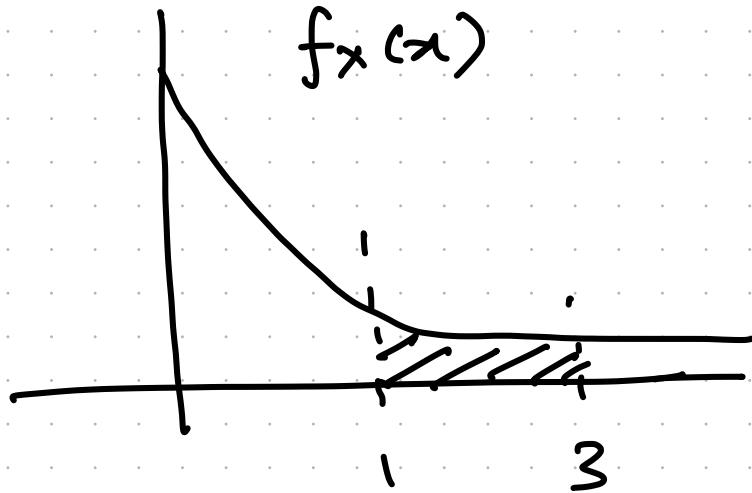
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$$\text{Diagram: } - \text{ (trapezoid)} = \text{ (large trapezoid)} - \text{ (small trapezoid)} = F_x(3) - F_x(1)$$

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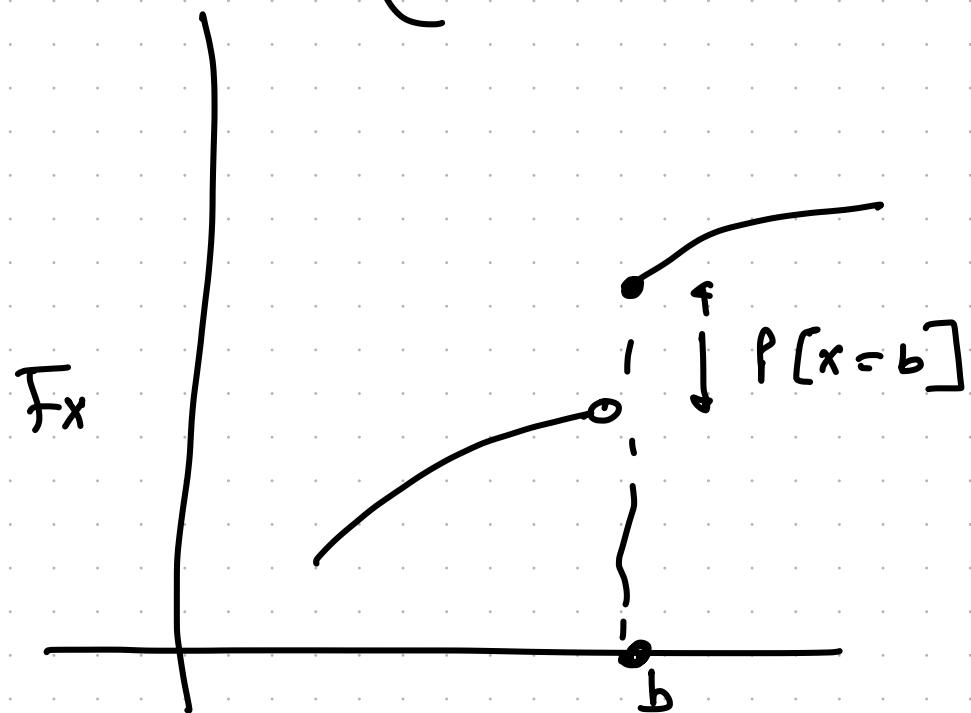
$$= 1 - e^{-3\lambda} - (1 - e^{-\lambda})$$

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Resisting jump property

For any r.v.  $X$ ;  $P[X = b]$  is

$$\begin{cases} F_X(b) - F_X(b^-); F_X \text{ discontinuous at } x=b \\ 0 \quad \text{else} \end{cases}$$



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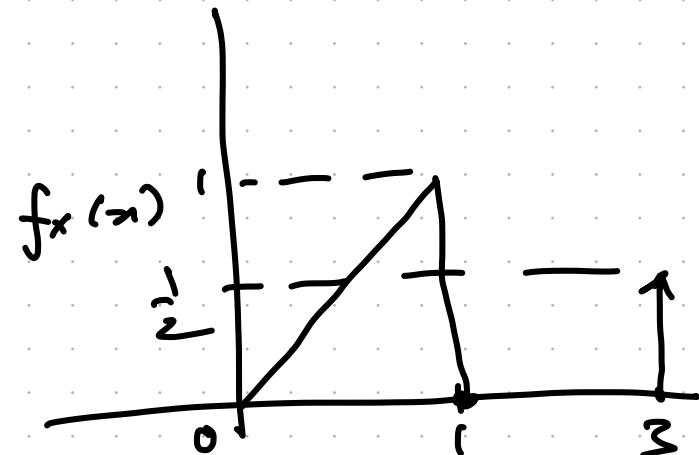
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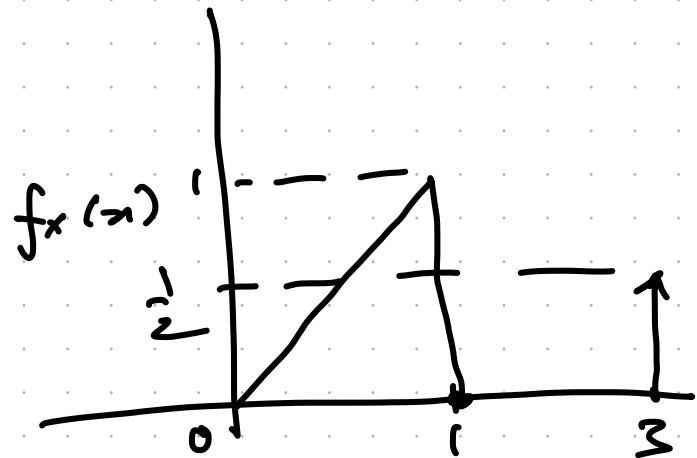
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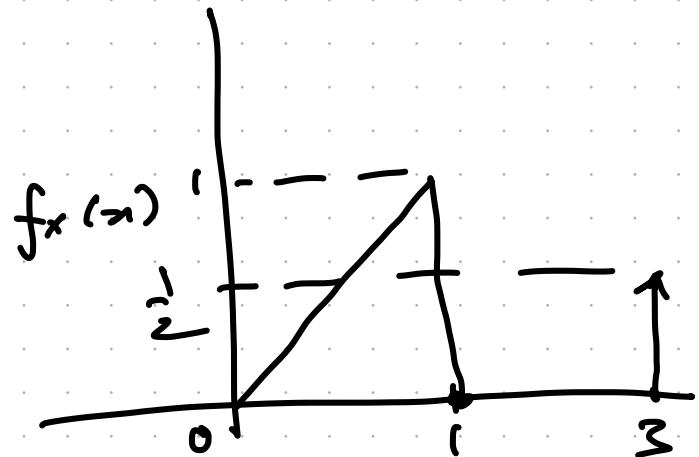
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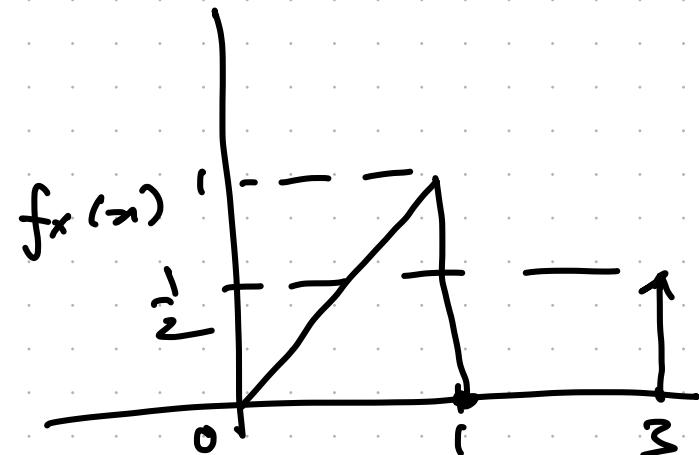
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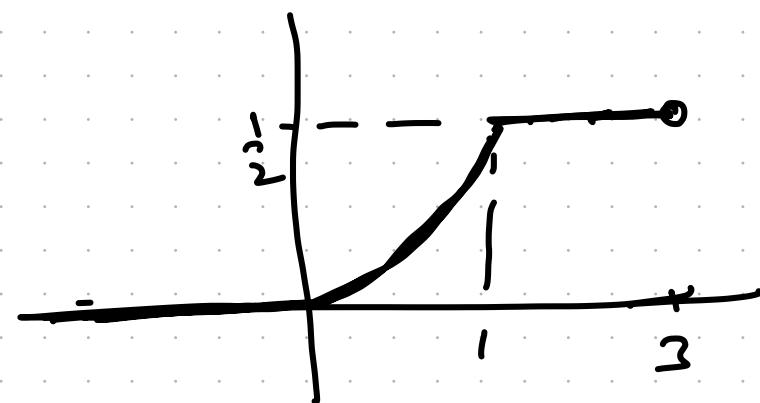
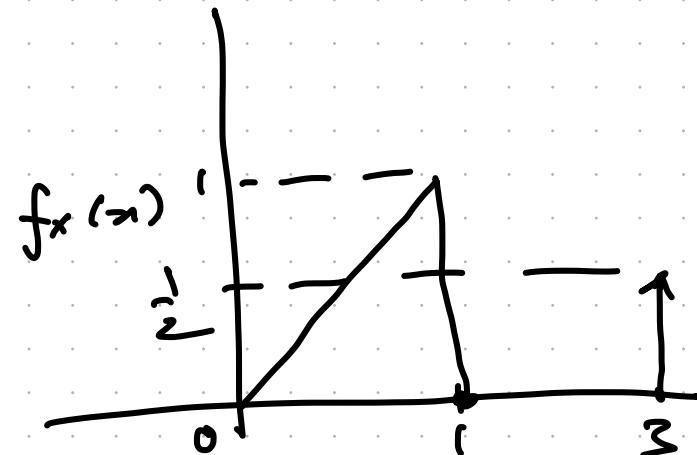
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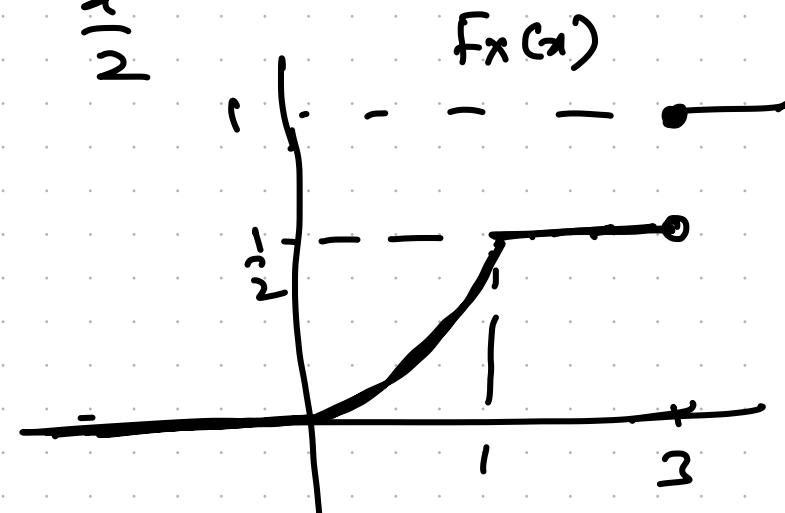
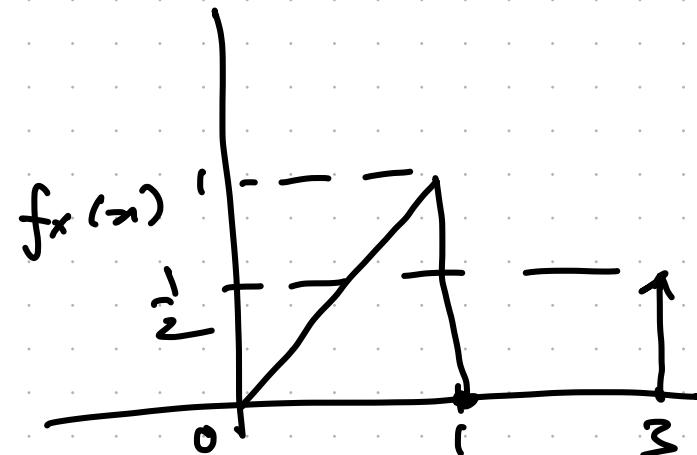
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 $= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$



# Deriving PDF from CDF

$$f_X(x) = \frac{d}{dx} F_X(x) = \frac{d}{dx} \int_{-\infty}^x f_X(x') dx'$$

if  $F_X$  is differentiable at  $x$ ;

else

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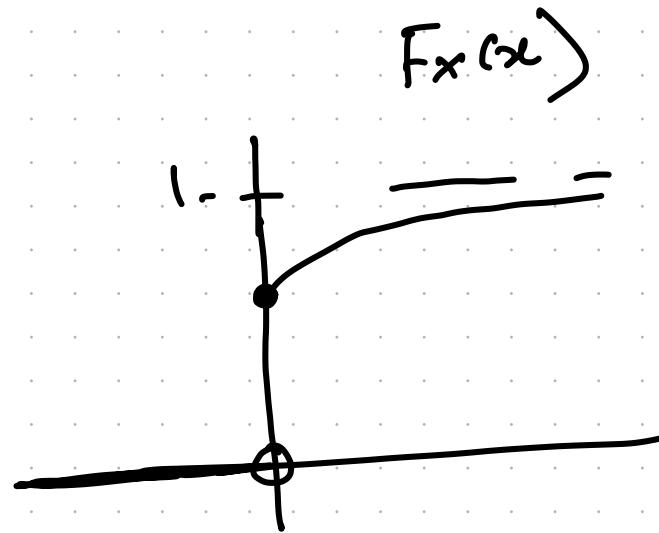
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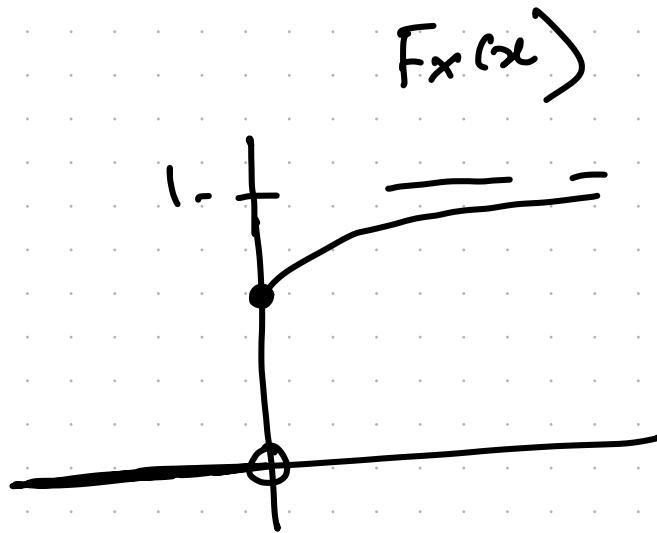


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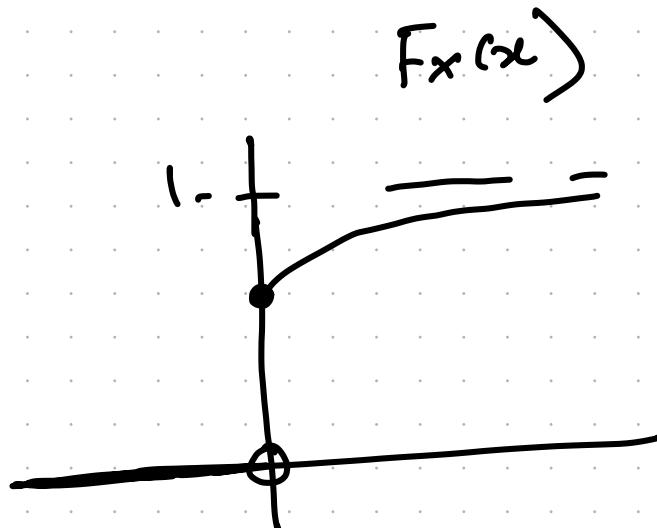
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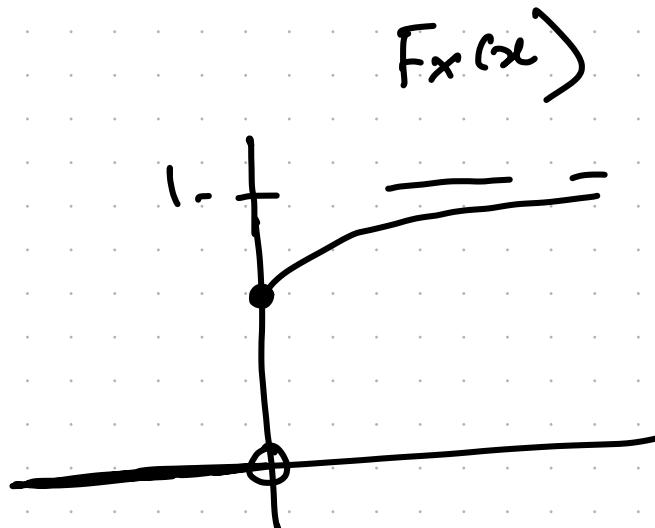
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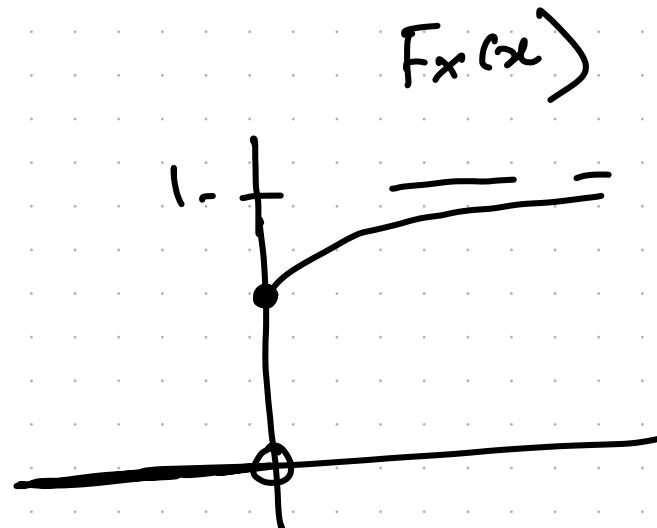
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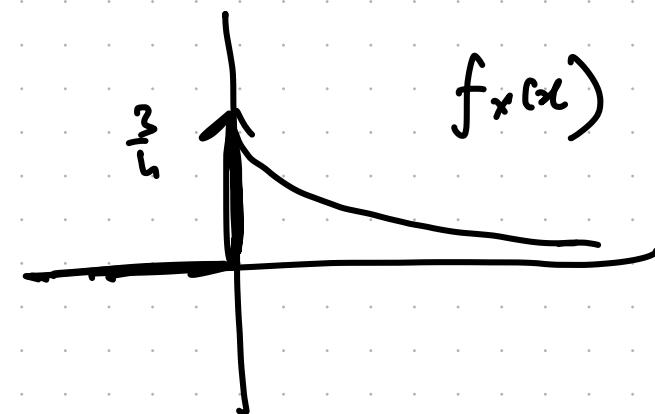
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Uniform dist  $U(0,1)$
- ② Goal : Sample from r.v.  
 $X$  with PDF  $f_X(x)$   
(CDF  $F_X(x)$ )

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Strict monotonicity ensures  $\bar{T}$  is defined.

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$$T^{-1}(x) = e^x$$

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Not 1-to-1

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$$\therefore F_X(x) = T^{-1}(x)$$

$$\text{Or}; T(u) = F_X^{-1}(u); u \in [0, 1]$$

## Inverse CDF sampling procedure

- 1) Generate  $u_1, \dots, u_n$  samples from  $V$
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$$\log(1-y) = -\lambda x \quad \text{or } x = -\frac{1}{\lambda} \log(1-y)$$
$$\therefore F_X^{-1}(u) = -\frac{1}{\lambda} \log(1-u)$$