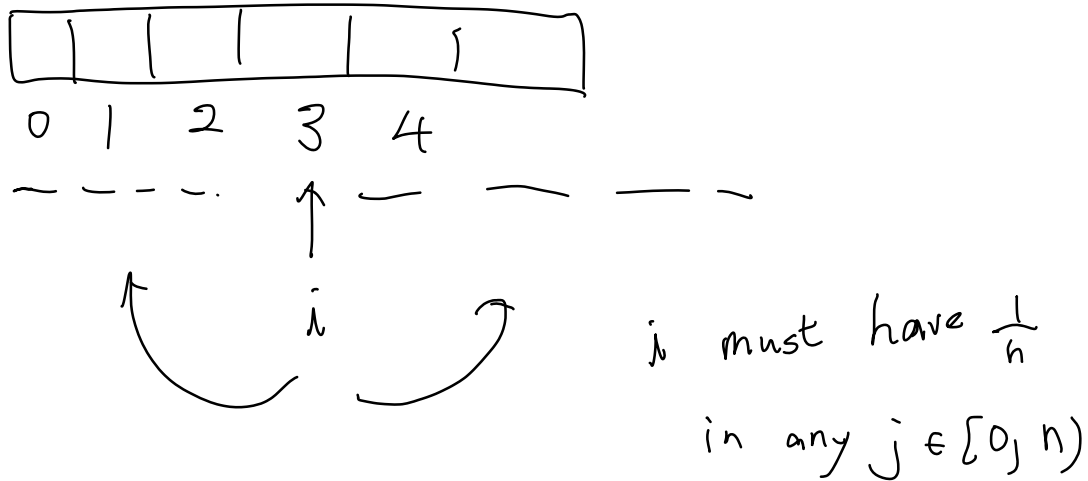
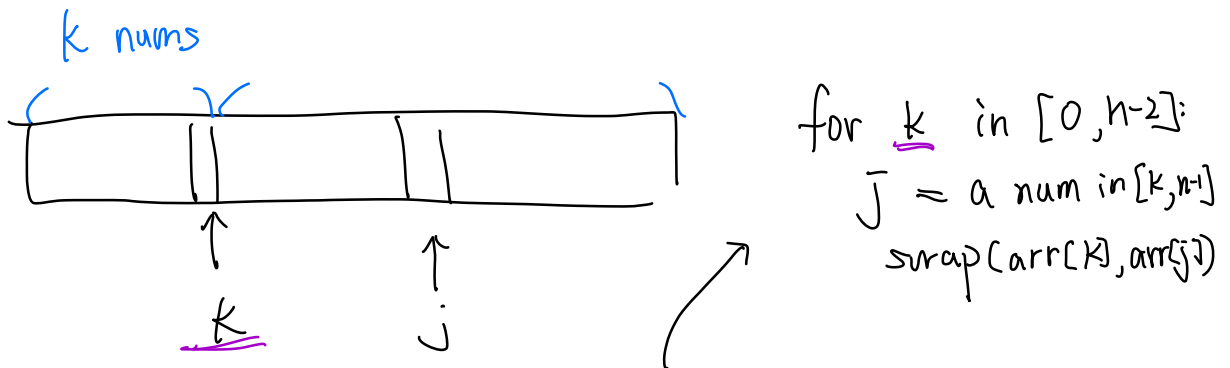


Fisher - Yates shuffle proof



Assume: $j \in [0, n)$, we want to compute the probability of i be placed at j



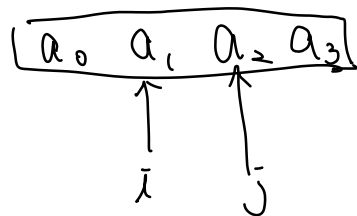
If k is the index in our loop, (if i is selected to the left, it can never be at j) that means i is not selected to the left of k , and when the $k=j$

j is selected

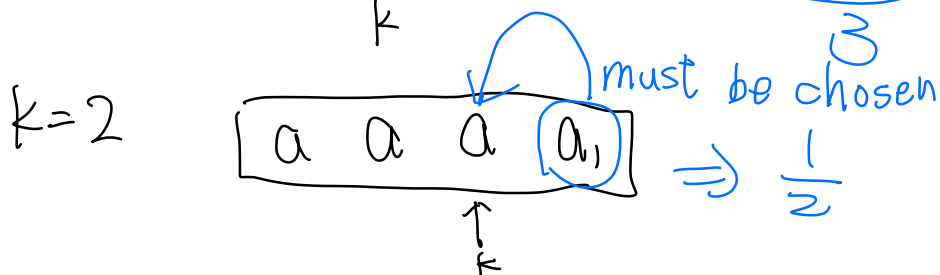
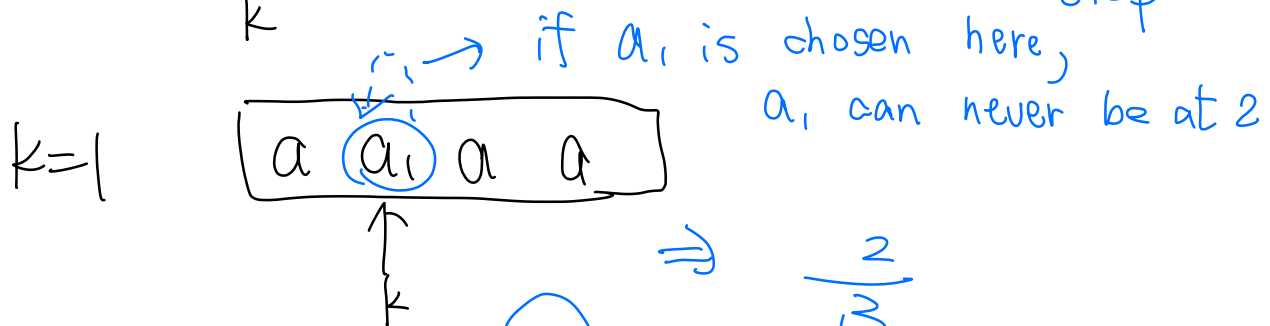
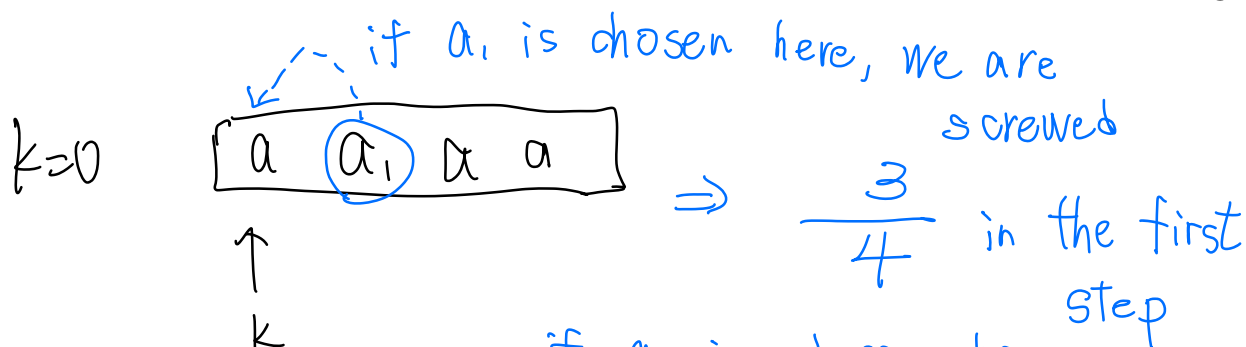
$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{n-1}{n} \times \frac{n-2}{n-1} \times \dots \times \frac{j}{j+1} \right) \times \frac{1}{j} = \frac{1}{n}$$

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Ex.



the probability of i be placed at j



overall:

$$\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{4} \#$$