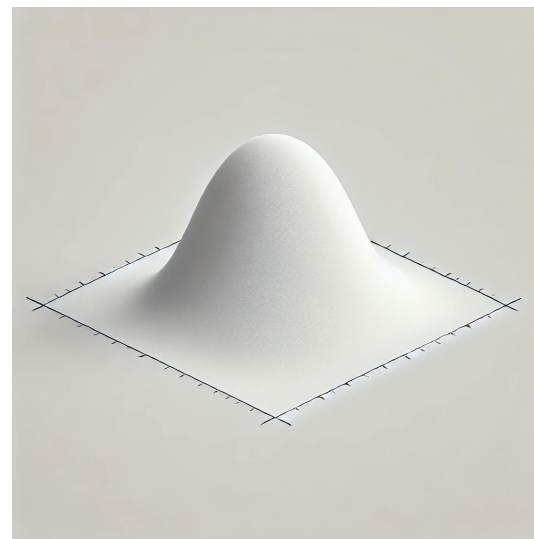


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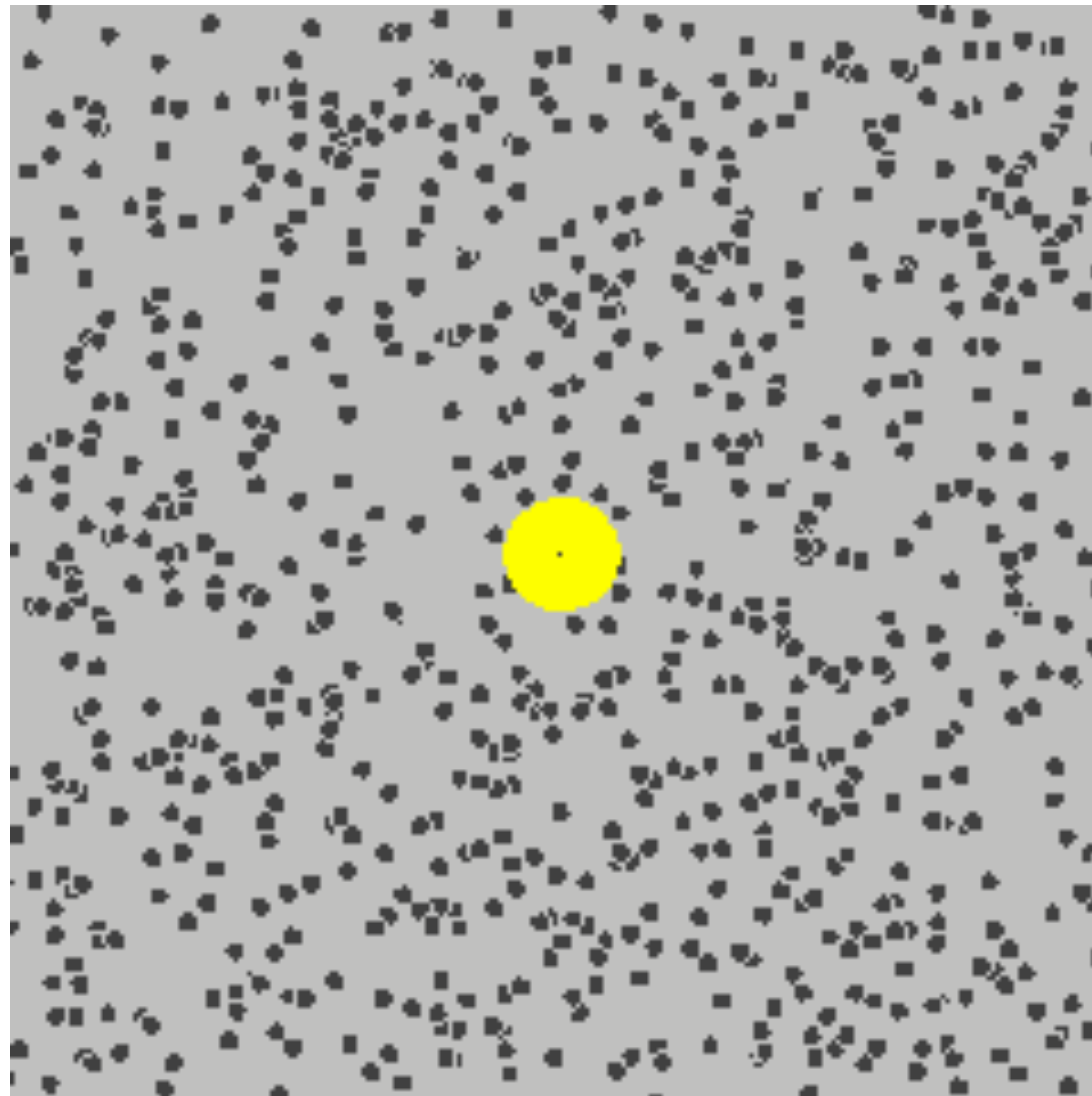


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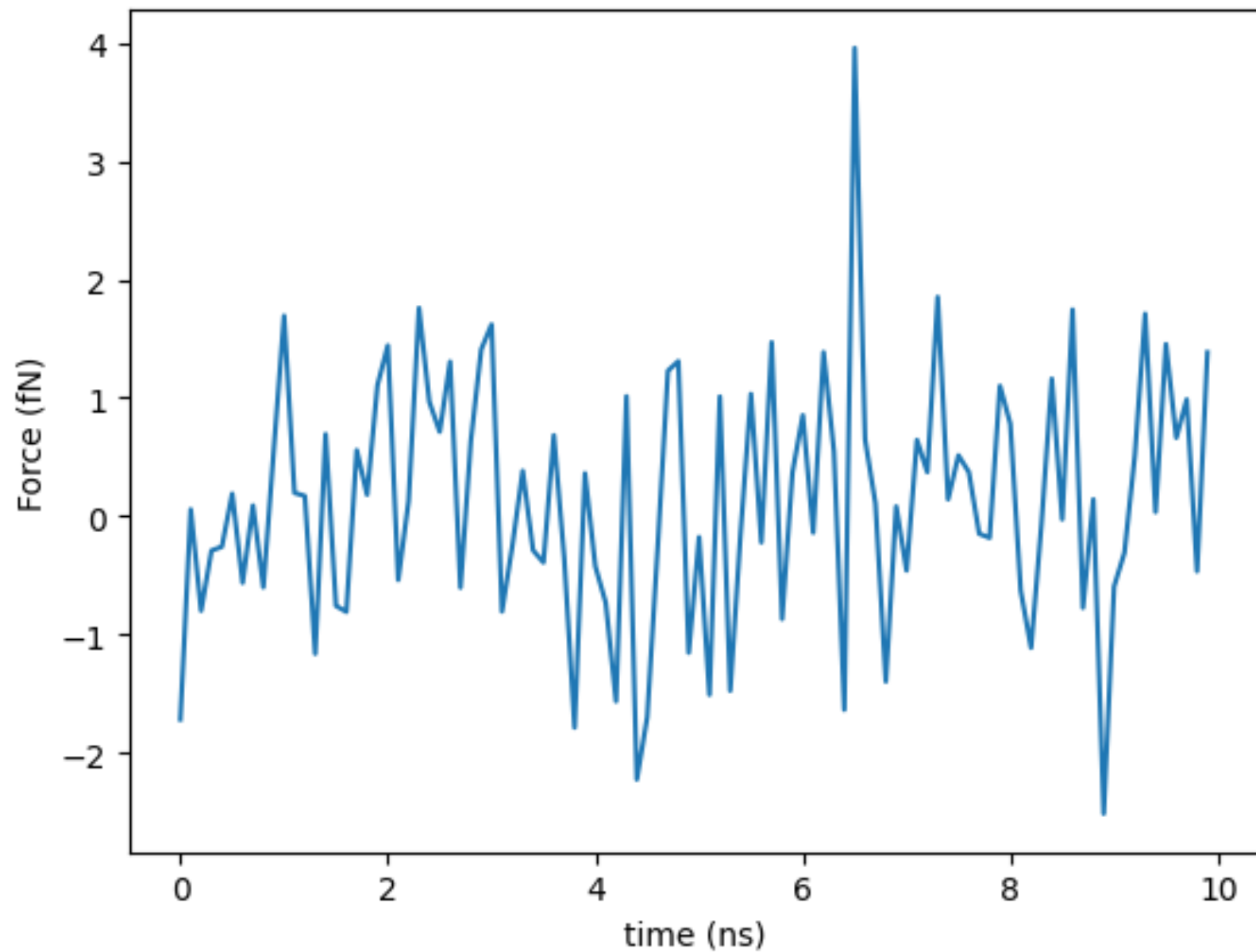
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Recall from Lecture 2....

Here's a “Brownian particle”.



If I were to plot the force on the particle induced by the fluid



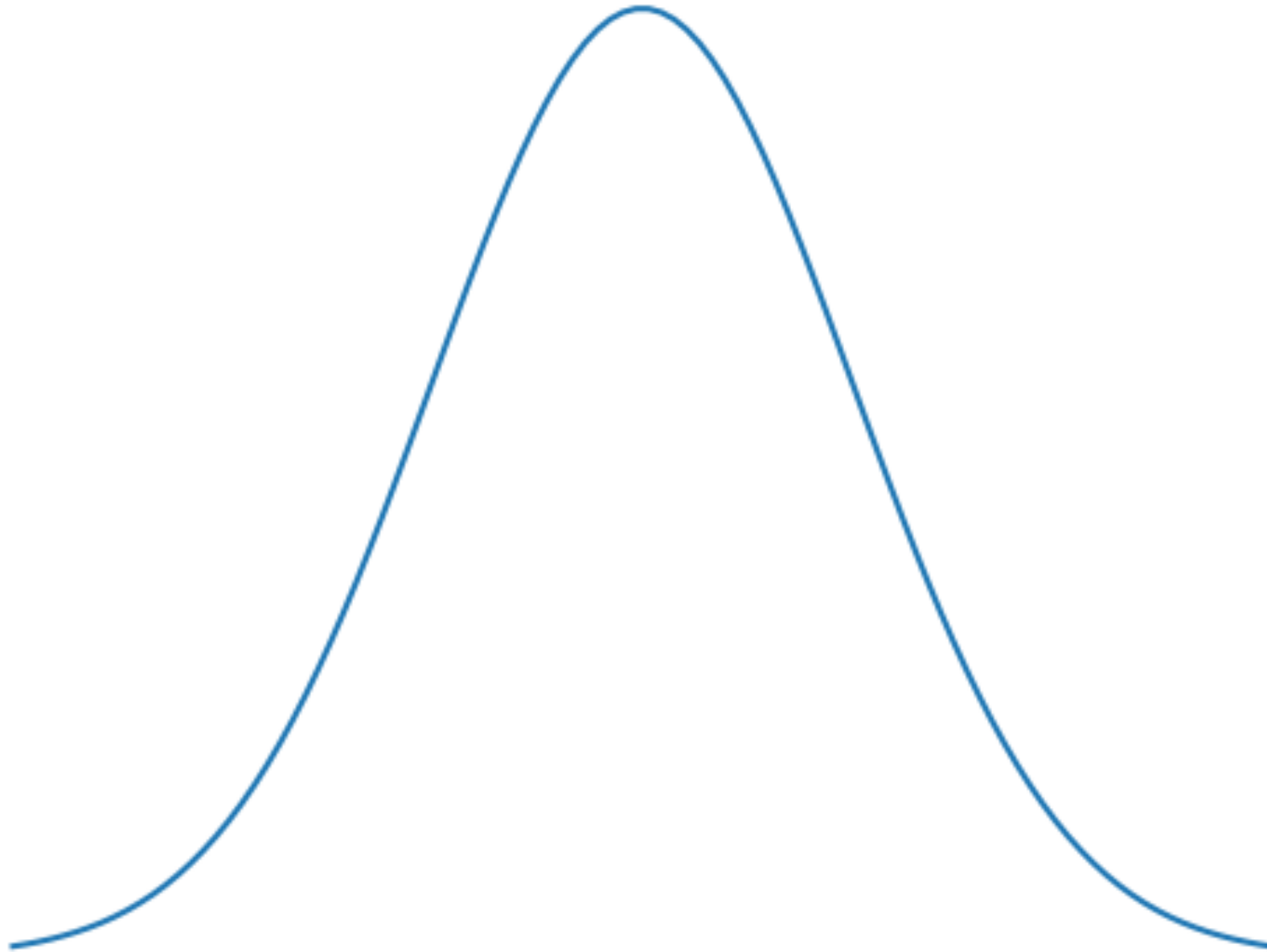
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import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

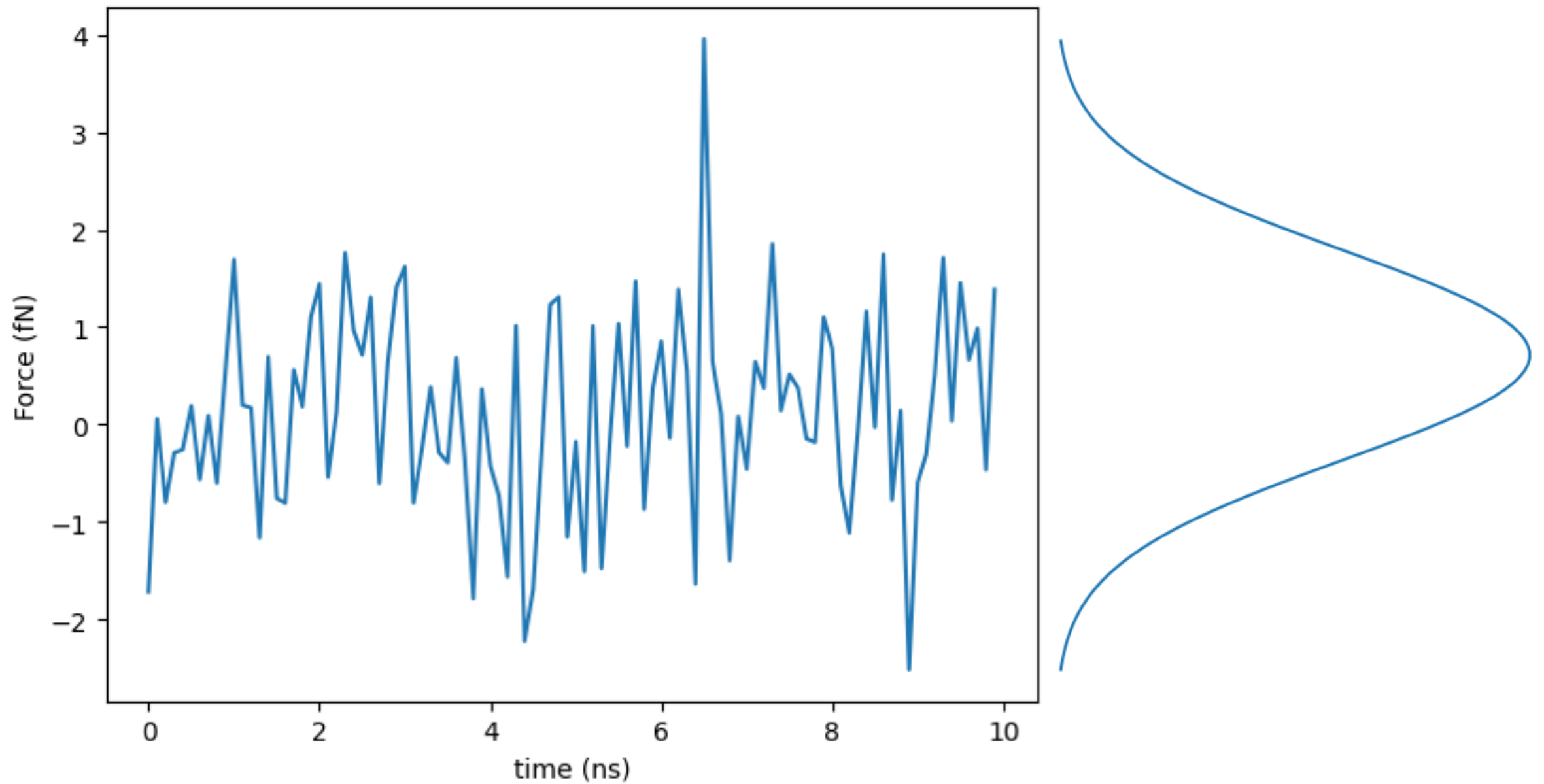
# Generate time series data
time = np.arange(0, 10, 0.1)
data = np.random.normal(0, 1, len(time))

# Plot the time series
plt.plot(time, data)
plt.xlabel('time (ns)')
plt.ylabel('Force (fN)')
plt.title('')
plt.show()
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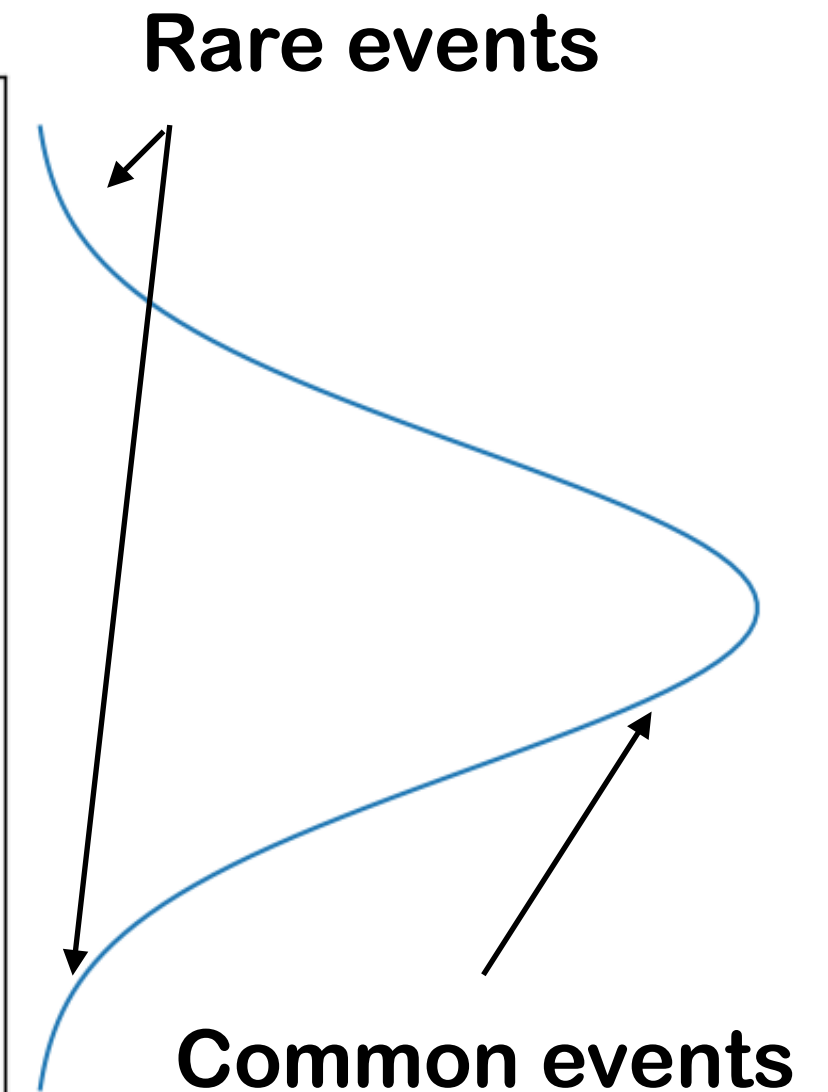
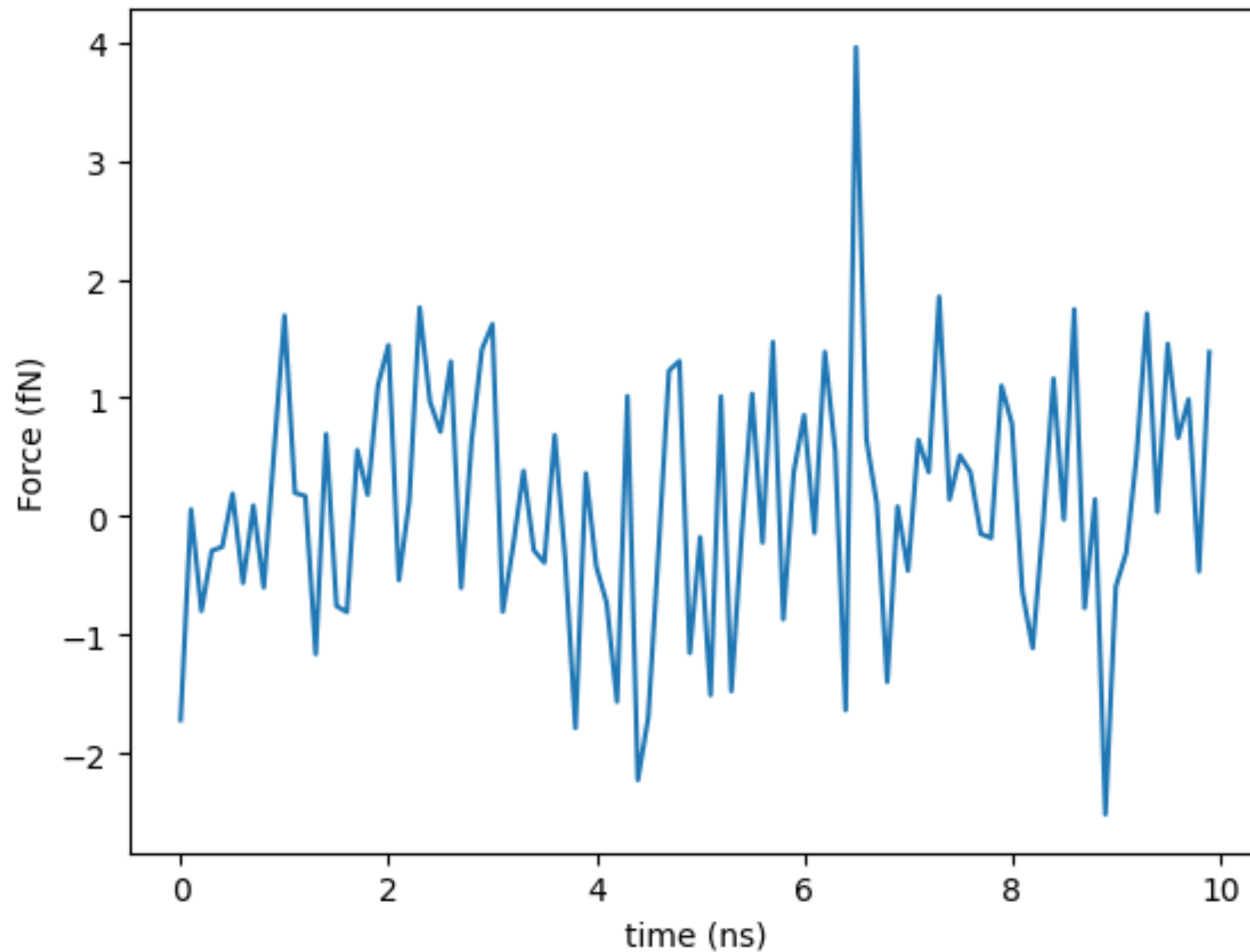
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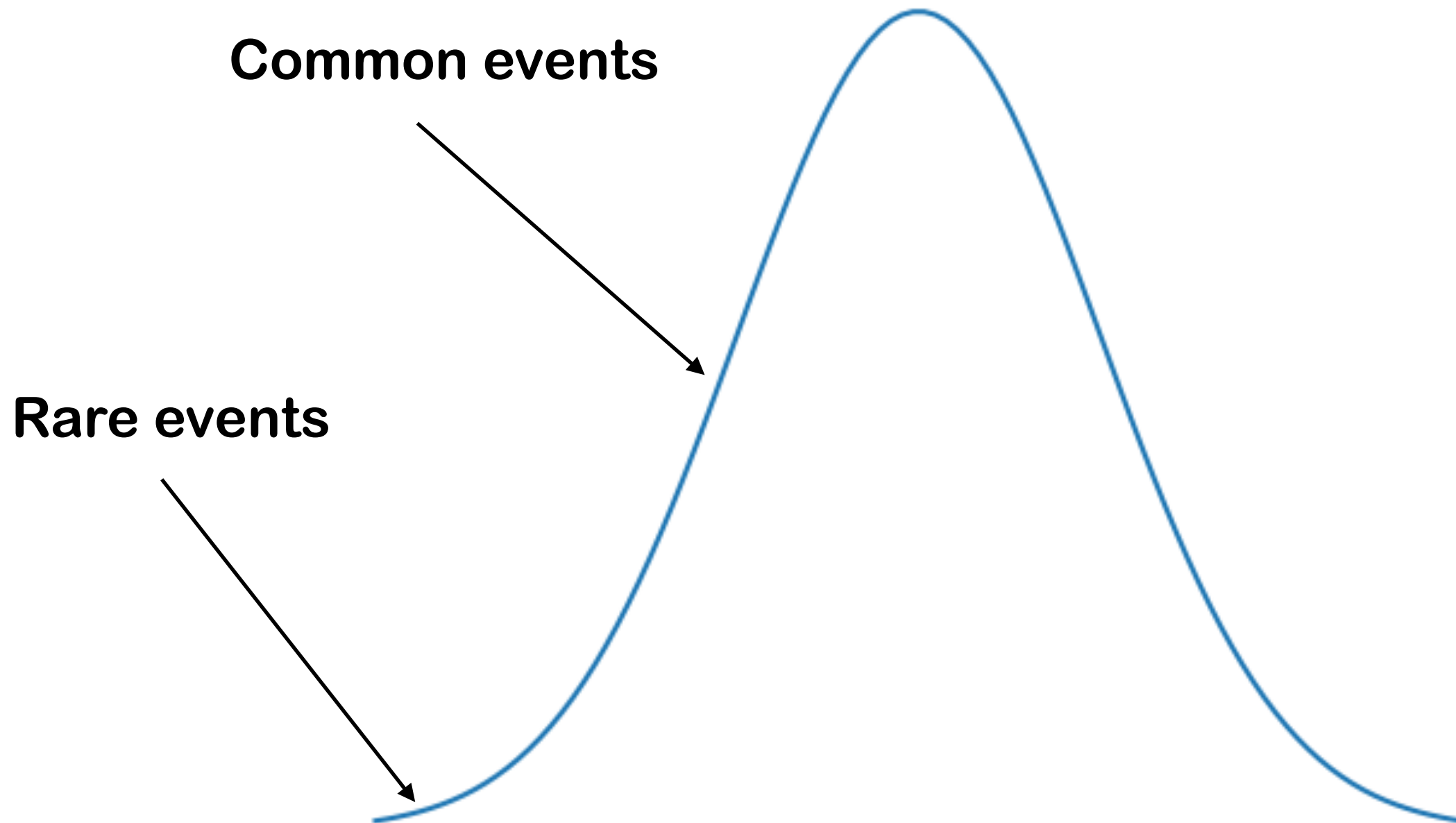
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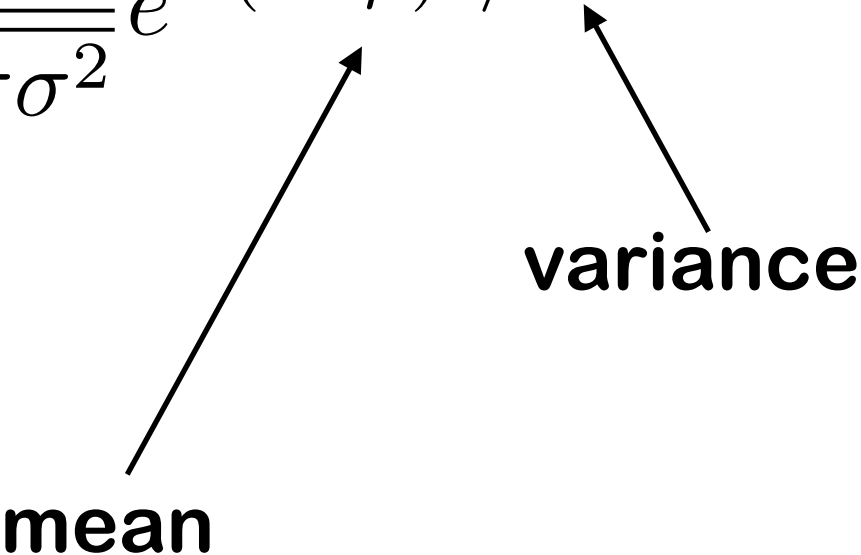
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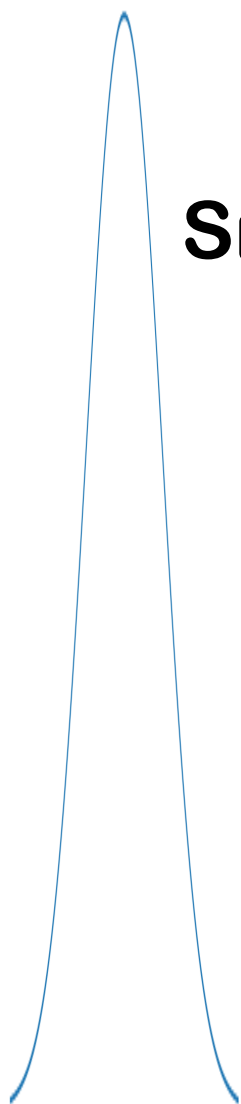
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mean

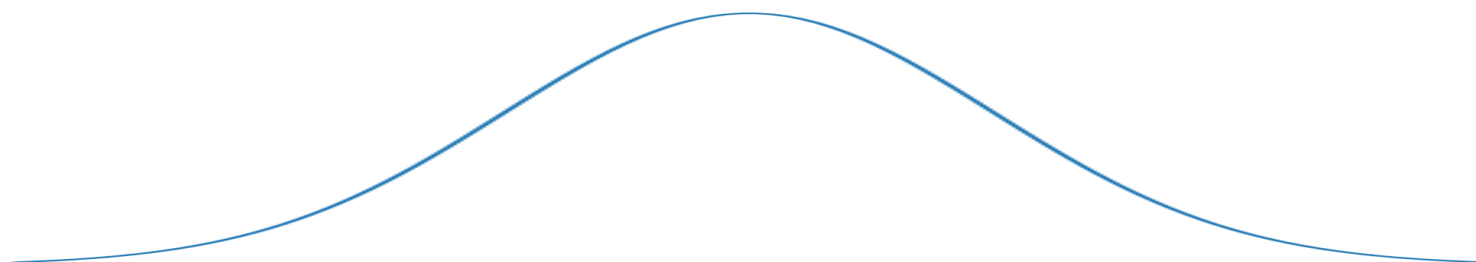
variance

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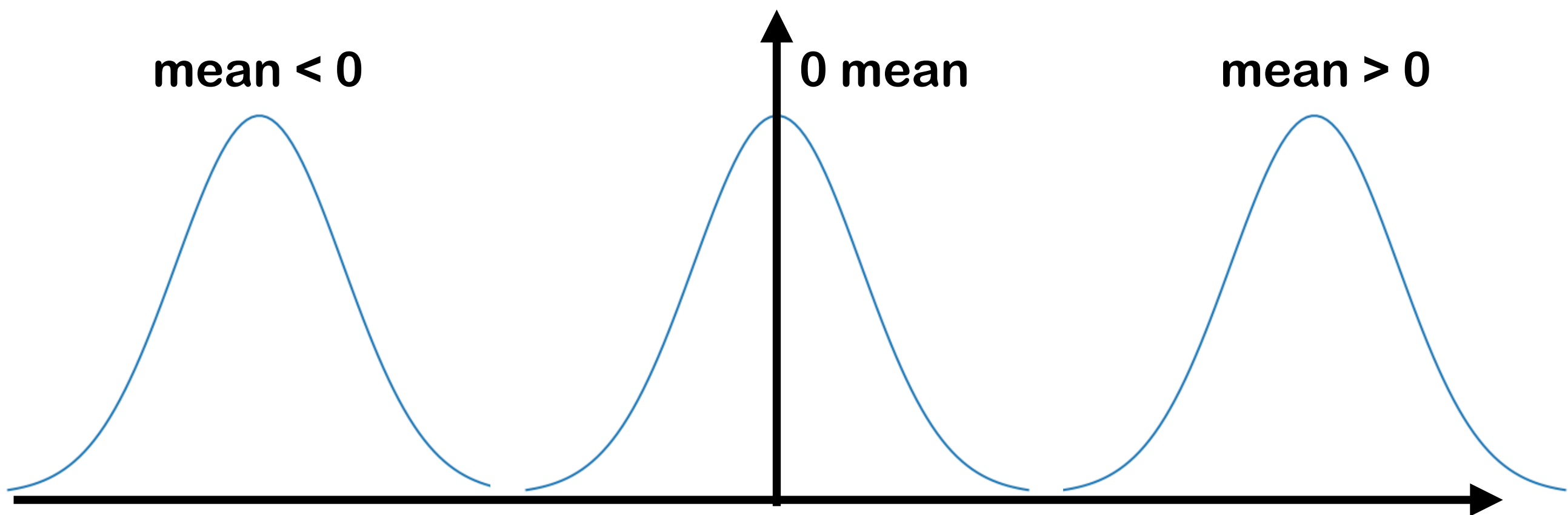
Small variance



Big variance

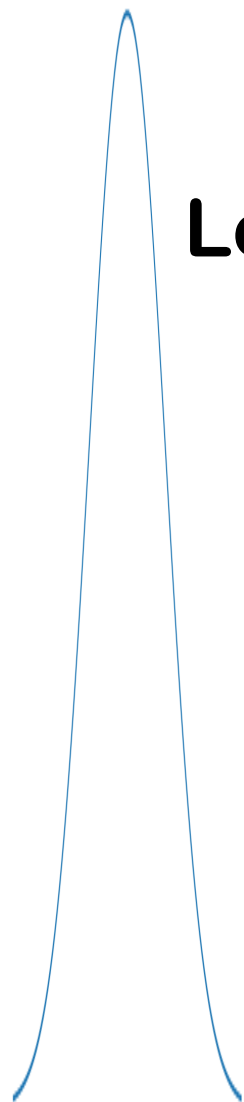
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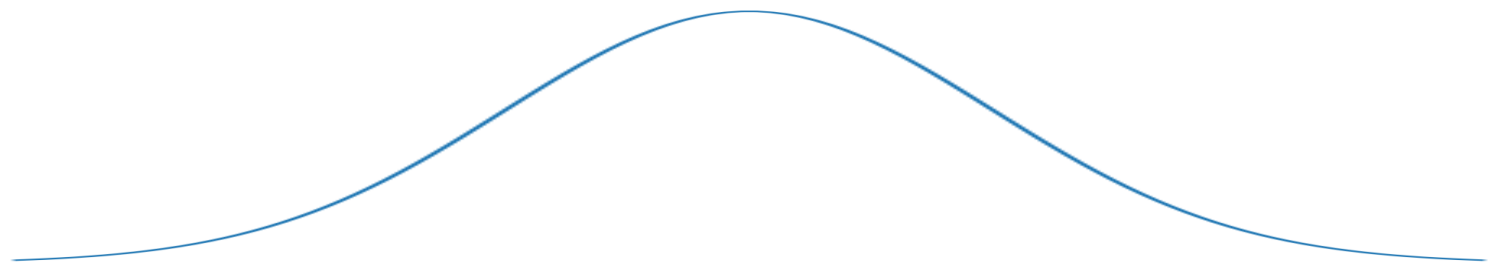


How is the variance related to temperature?

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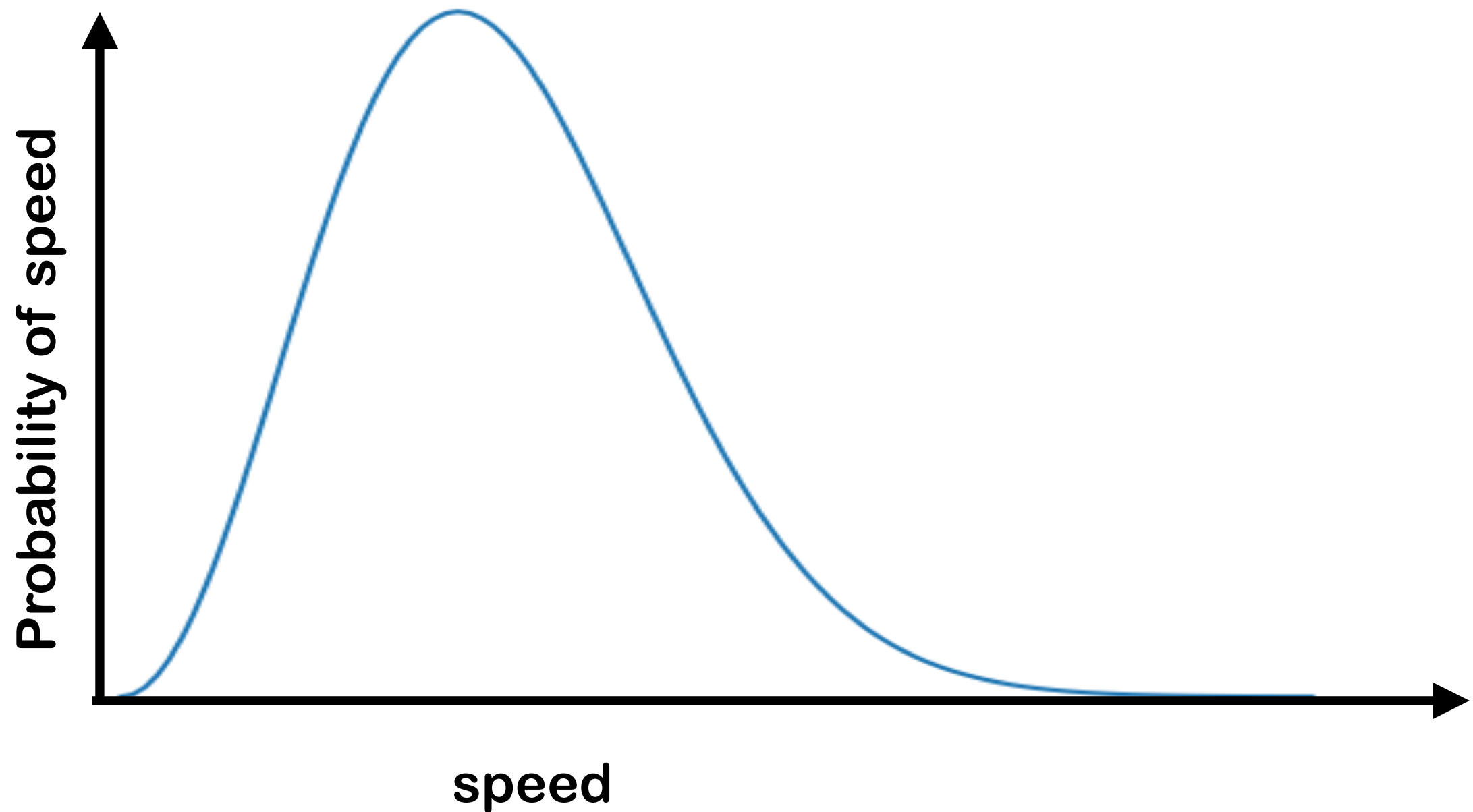
Low T



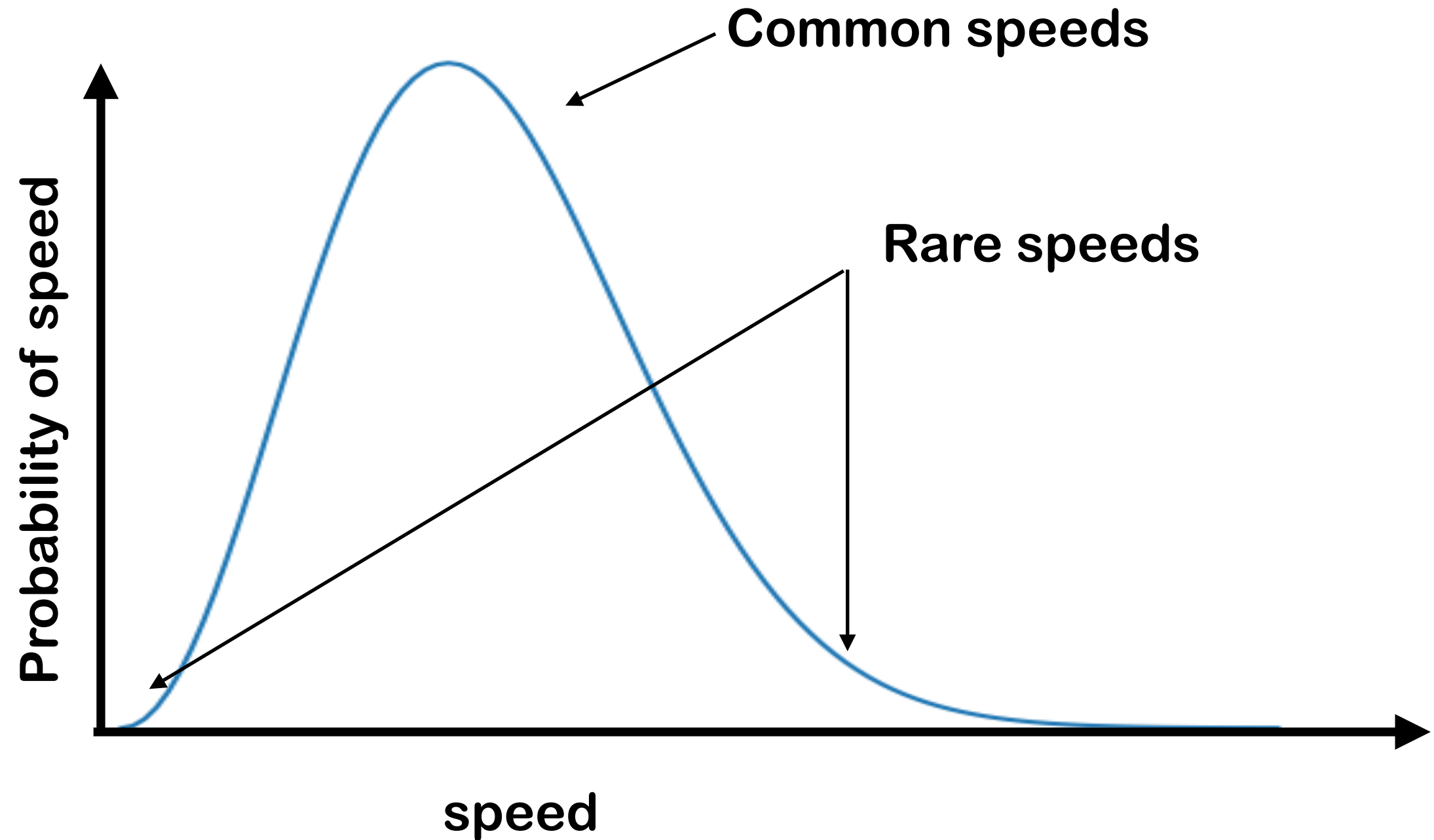
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Because of the “kicks” provided by the environment, the speeds of molecules are usually quickly randomized.

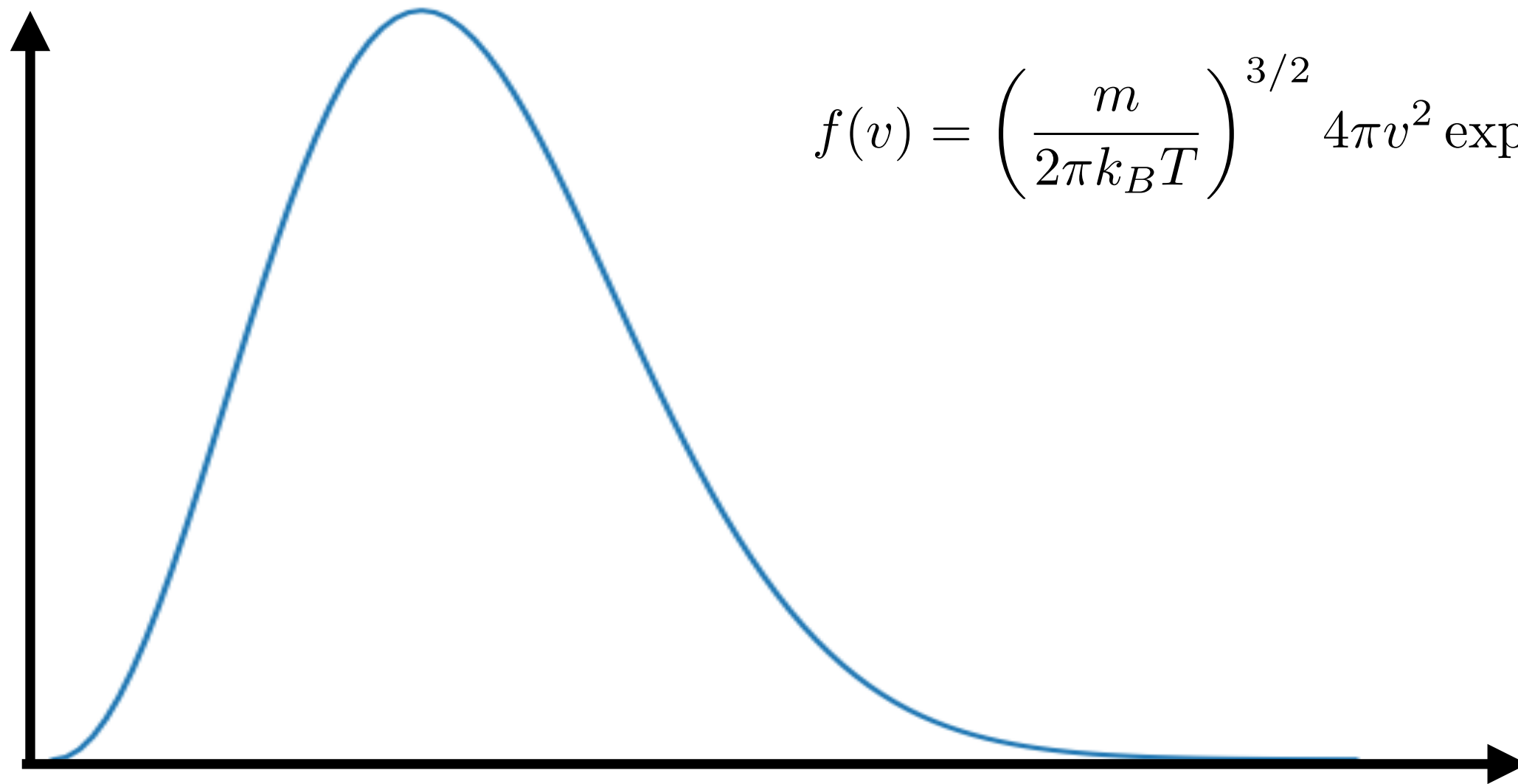
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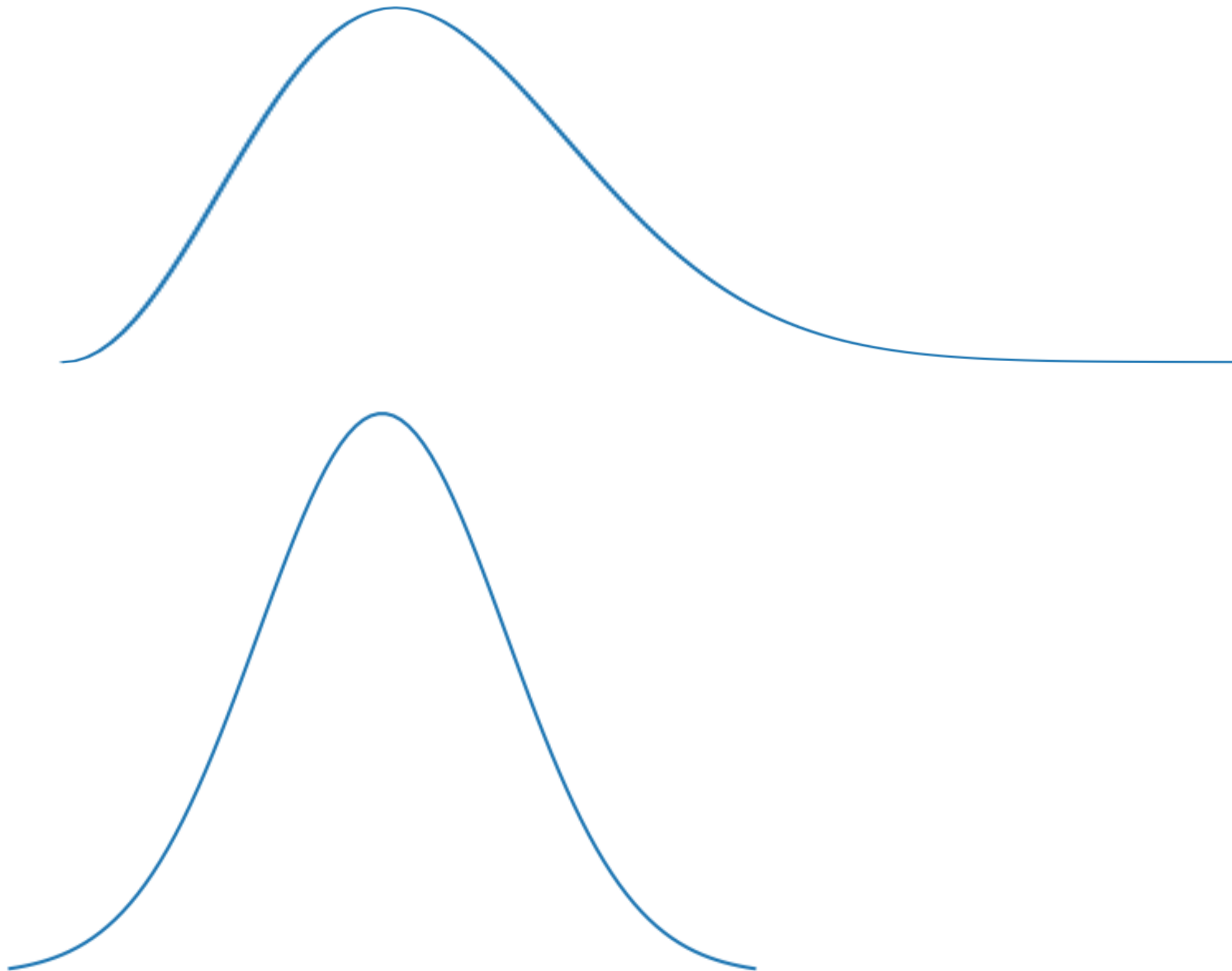


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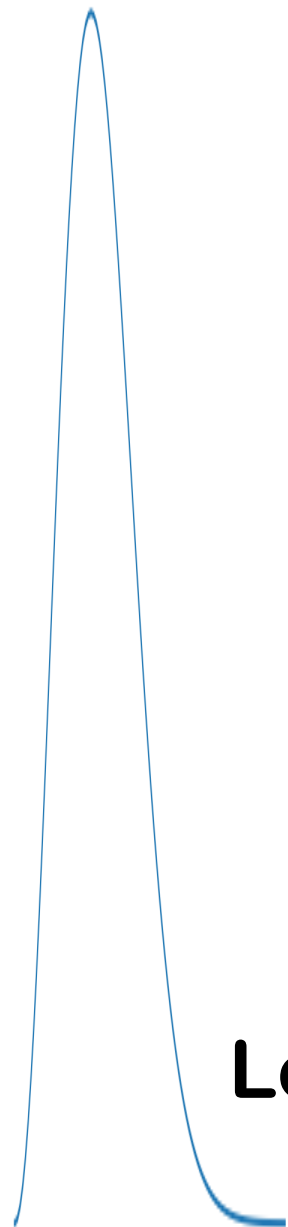
$$f(v) = \left(\frac{m}{2\pi k_B T} \right)^{3/2} 4\pi v^2 \exp \left(-\frac{mv^2}{2k_B T} \right)$$

What do you notice is the difference between Maxwell Boltzmann and Gaussian distribution?

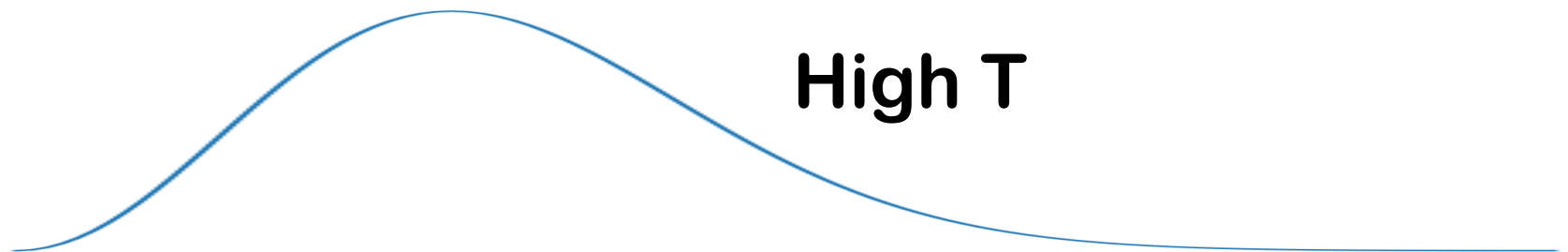


High versus low temperature Maxwell Boltzmann

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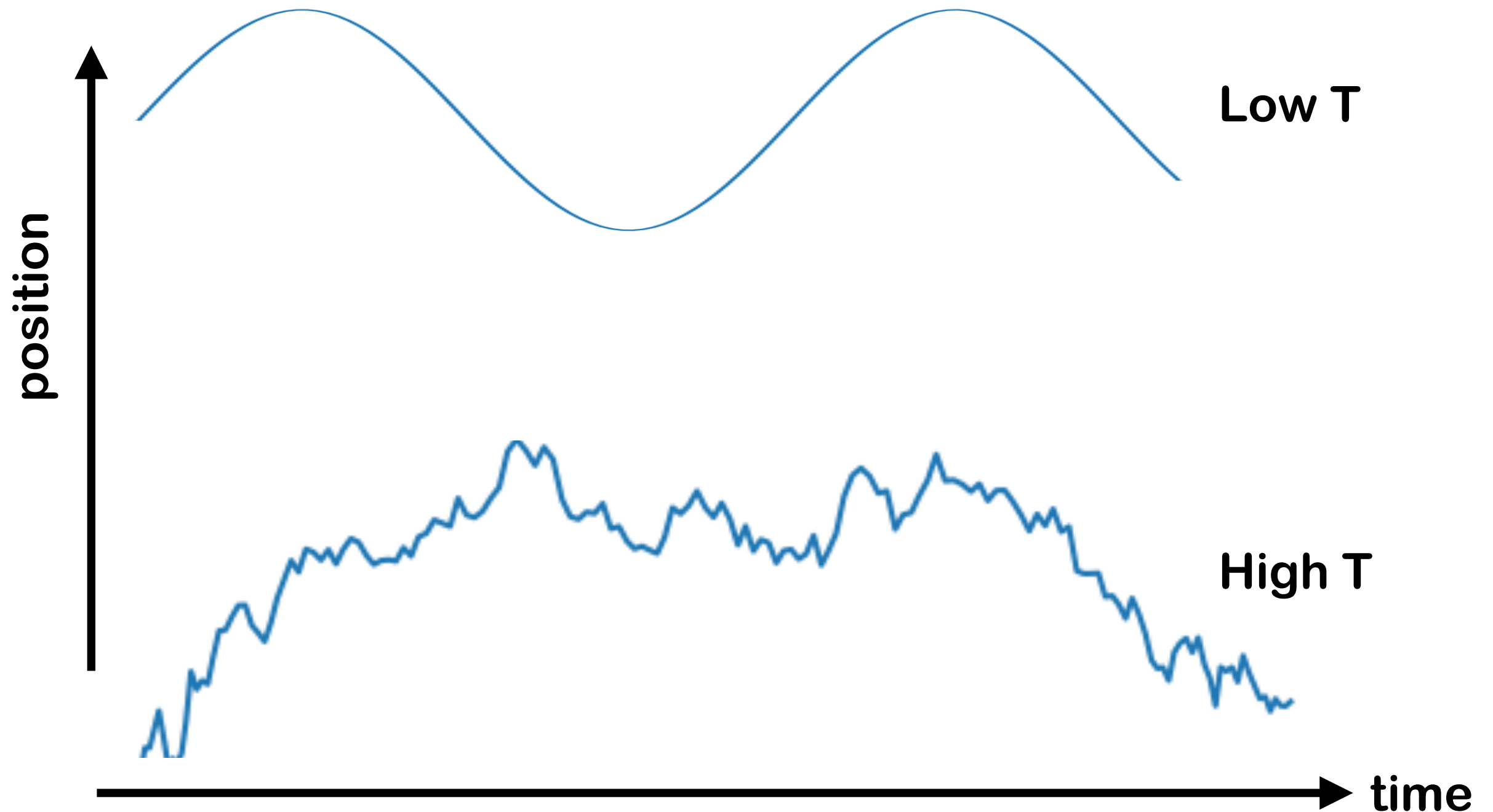


Low T



High T

Here is the motion of a particle in a harmonic potential



When we simulate a protein, how do we simulate the effect of temperature and bombardment due to water molecules (i.e., the environment)?

Draw the velocity in each direction (x,y,z) from a Maxwell-Boltzmann. Then simulate the position of every atom (from the fluid and protein) according to

$$v_{\text{old}} \sim \text{Maxwell-Boltzmann}$$

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Positions for all atoms (from protein and fluid) can be initialized from “crystal structures”.

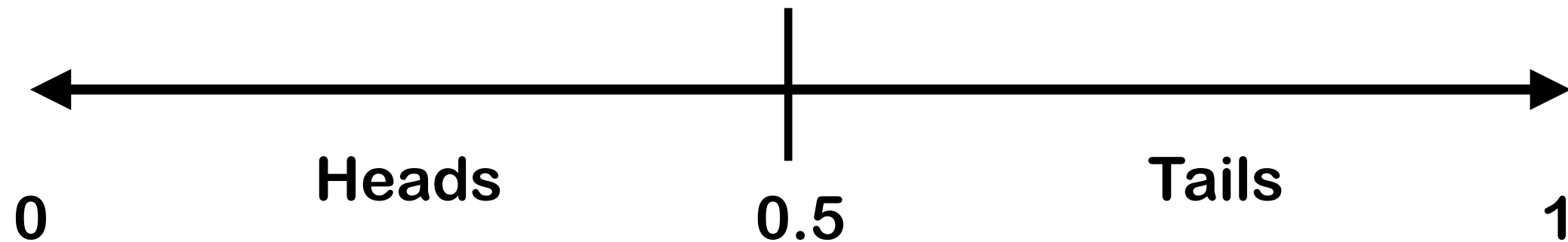
of velocities initialized: 3 velocities for each of the three directions of each (!) atom. So for N atoms, we need to initialize $3N$ velocities.

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Draw a random number from 0 to 1. If it falls below the line, picks heads. Otherwise pick tails.

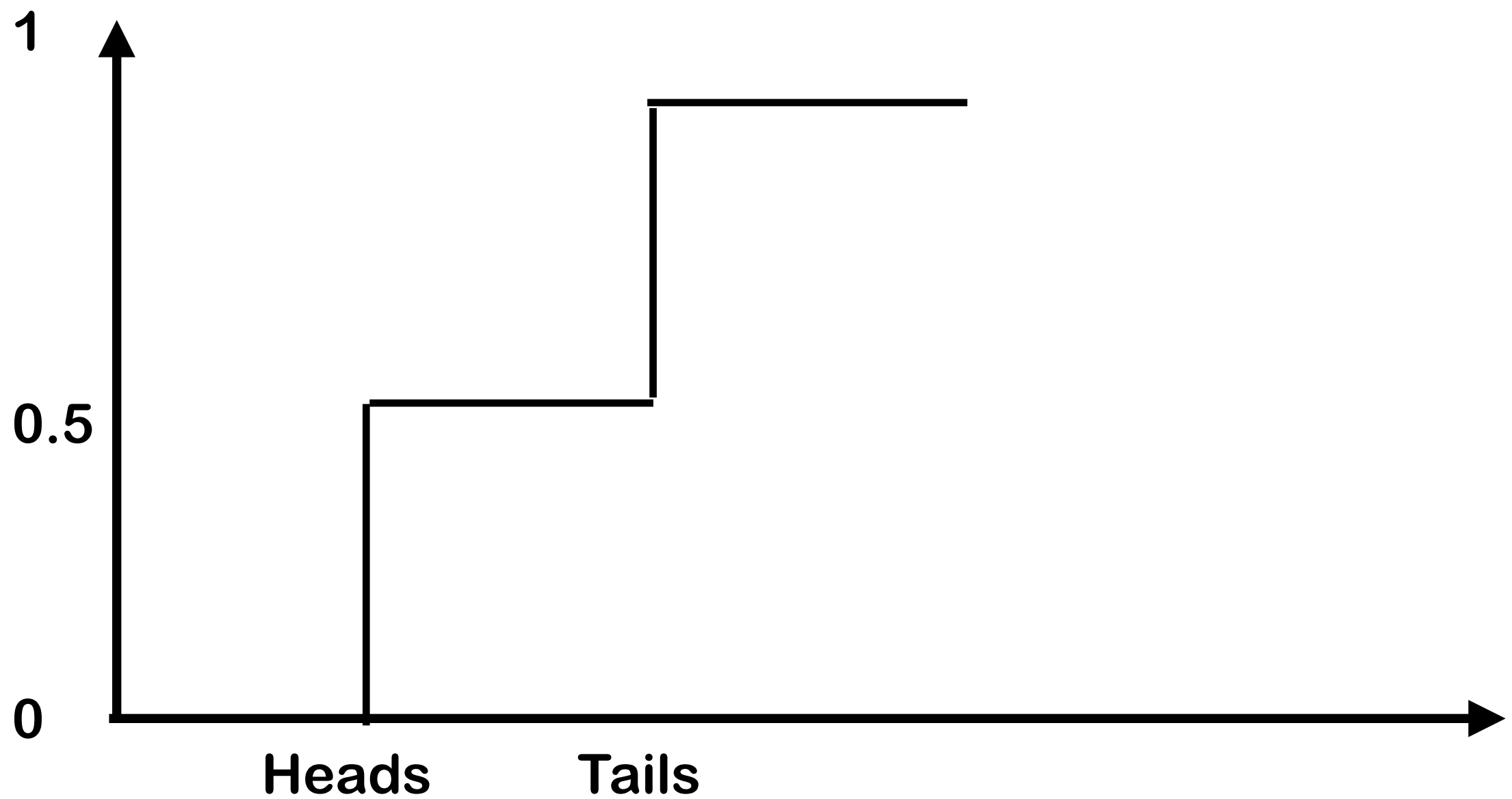


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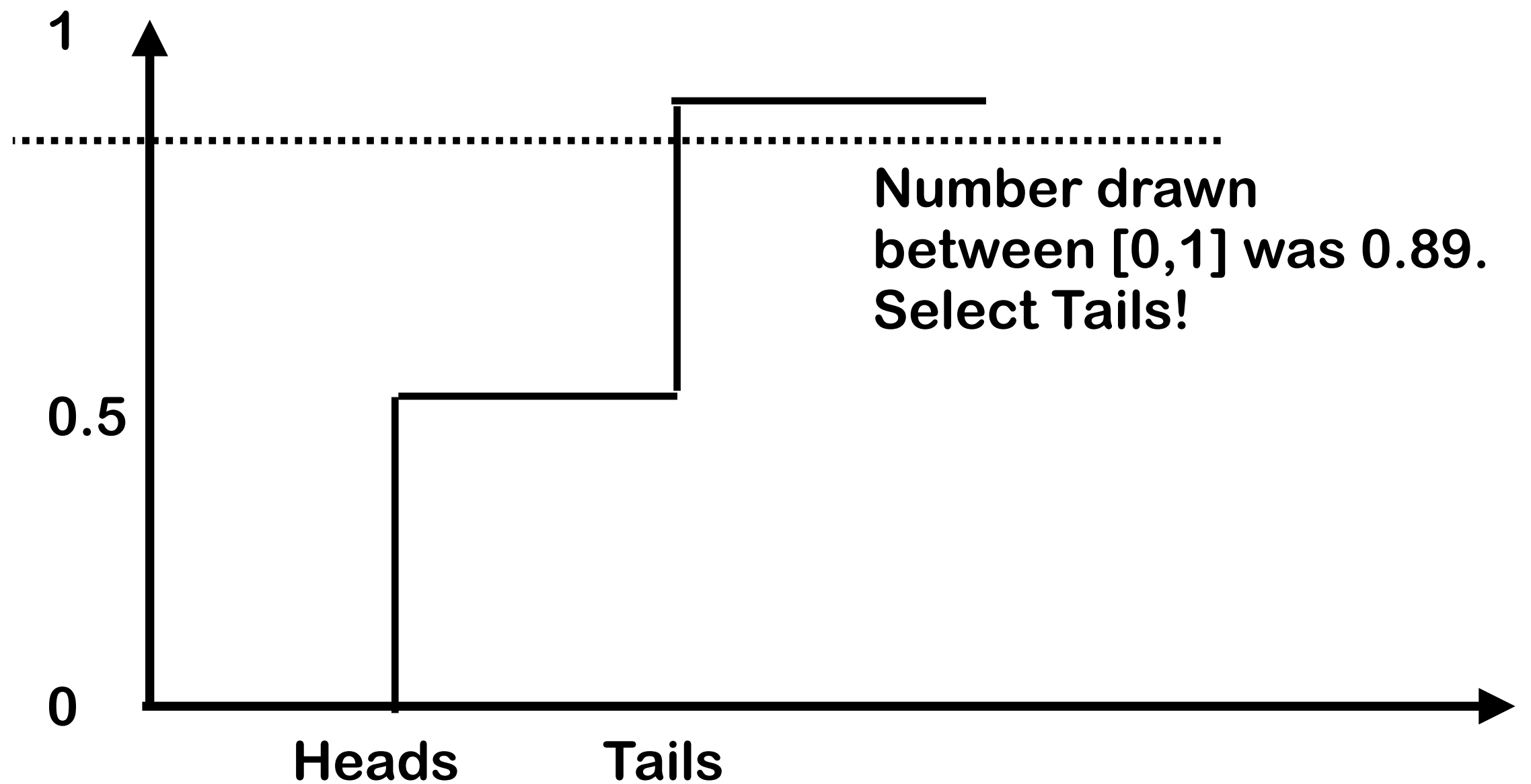
$$u \sim \text{Uniform}_{[0,1]}$$

**If $u > 0.5$, pick Heads.
Otherwise, pick Tails.**

Let's get some intuition for how this works



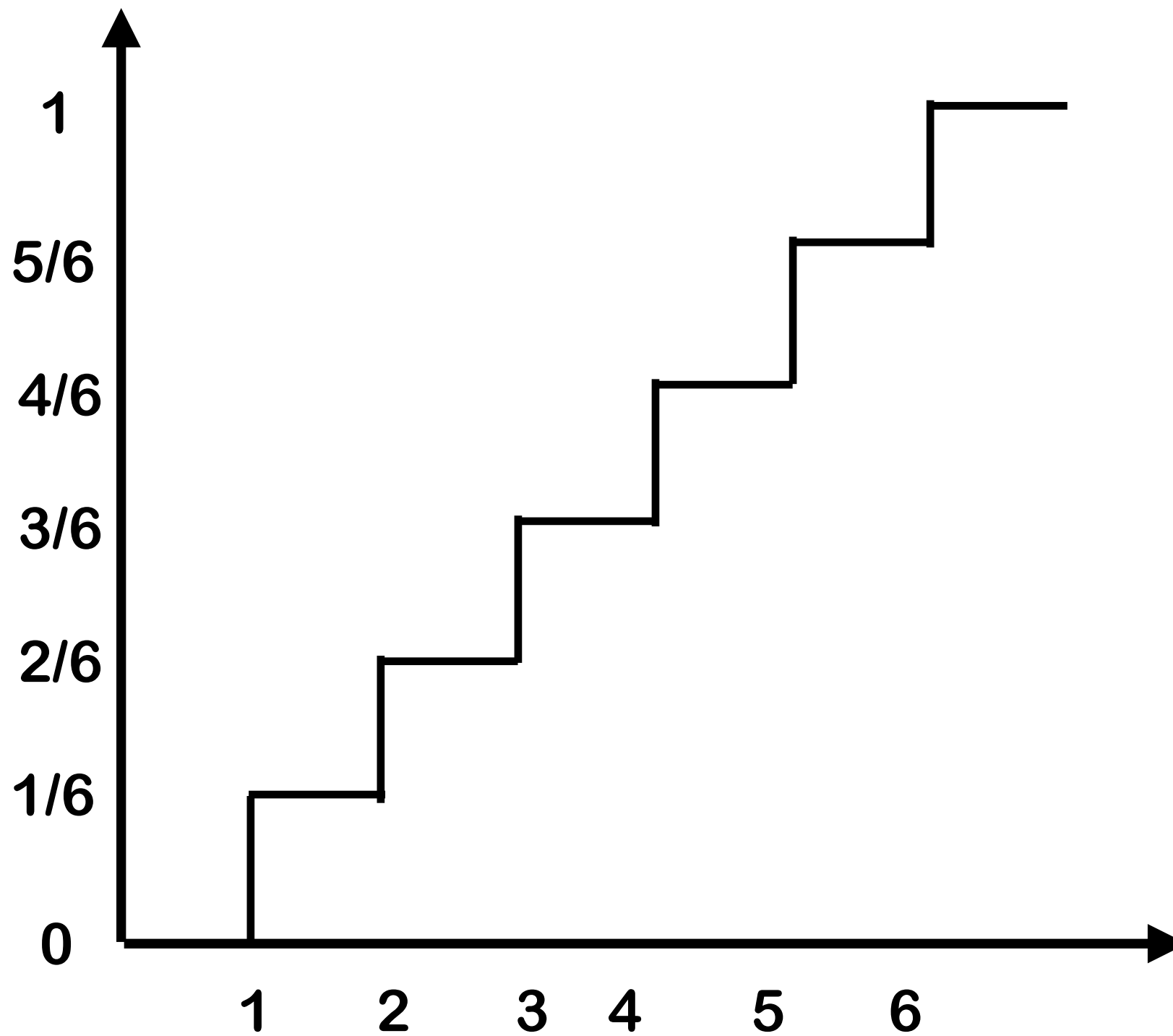
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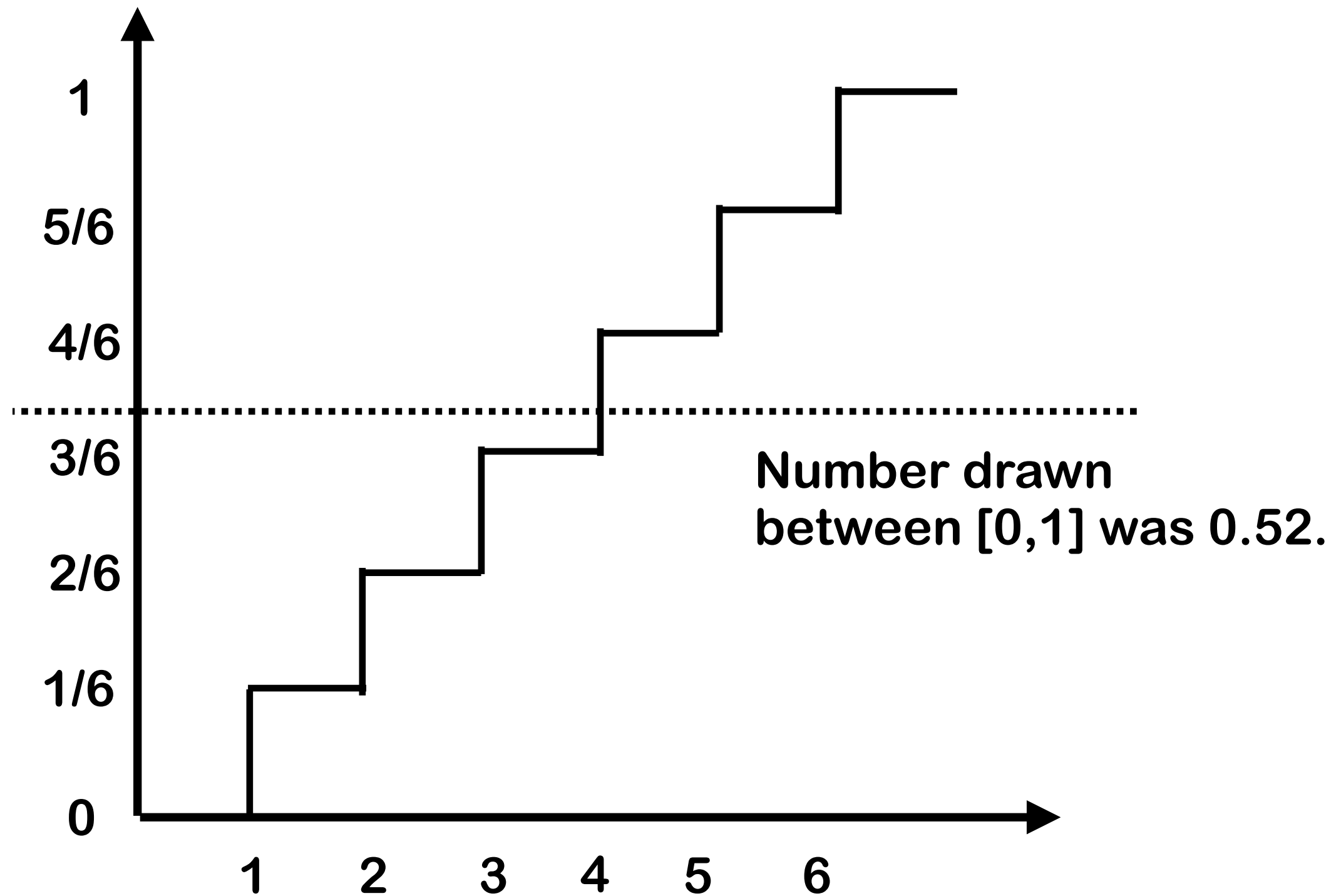
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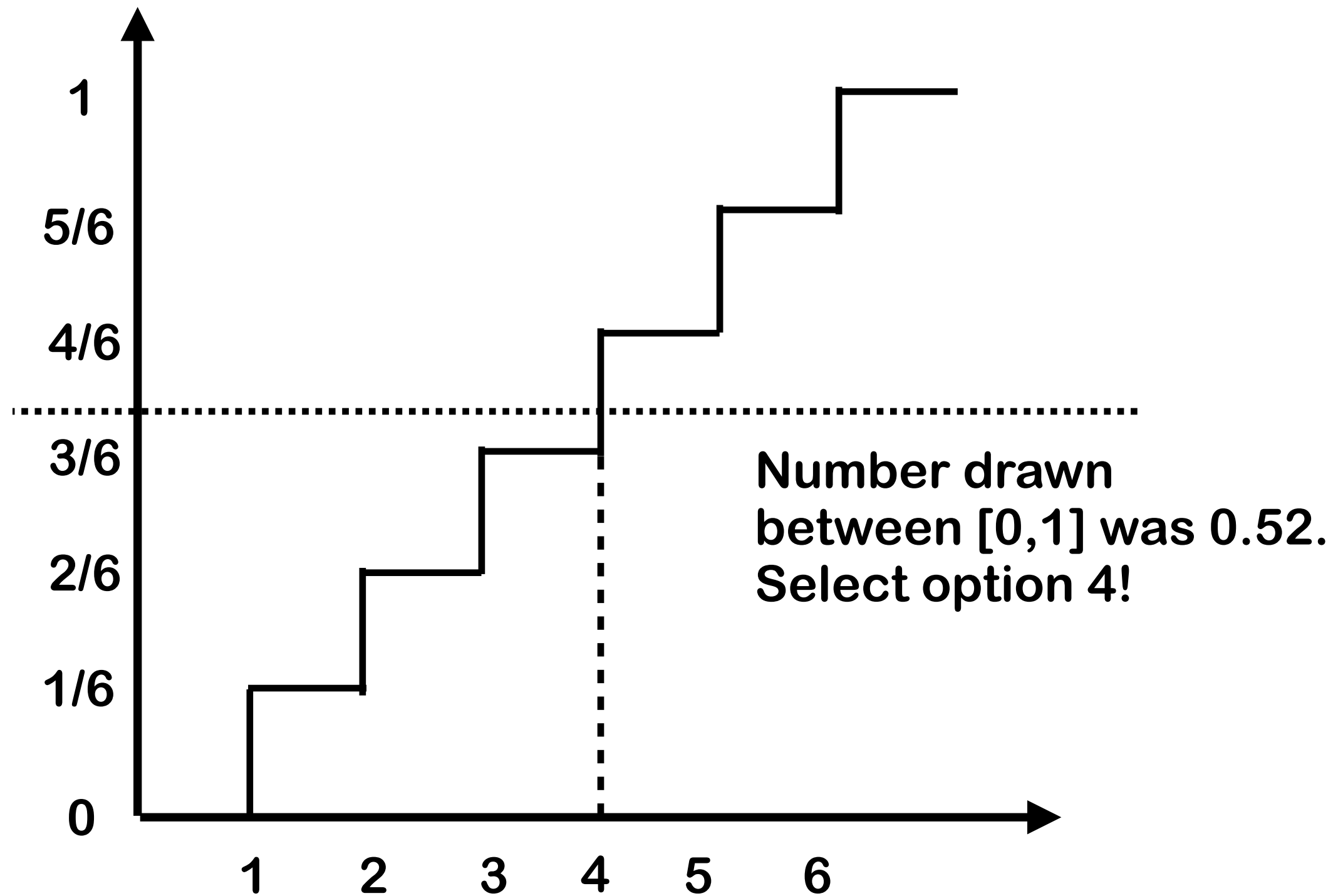
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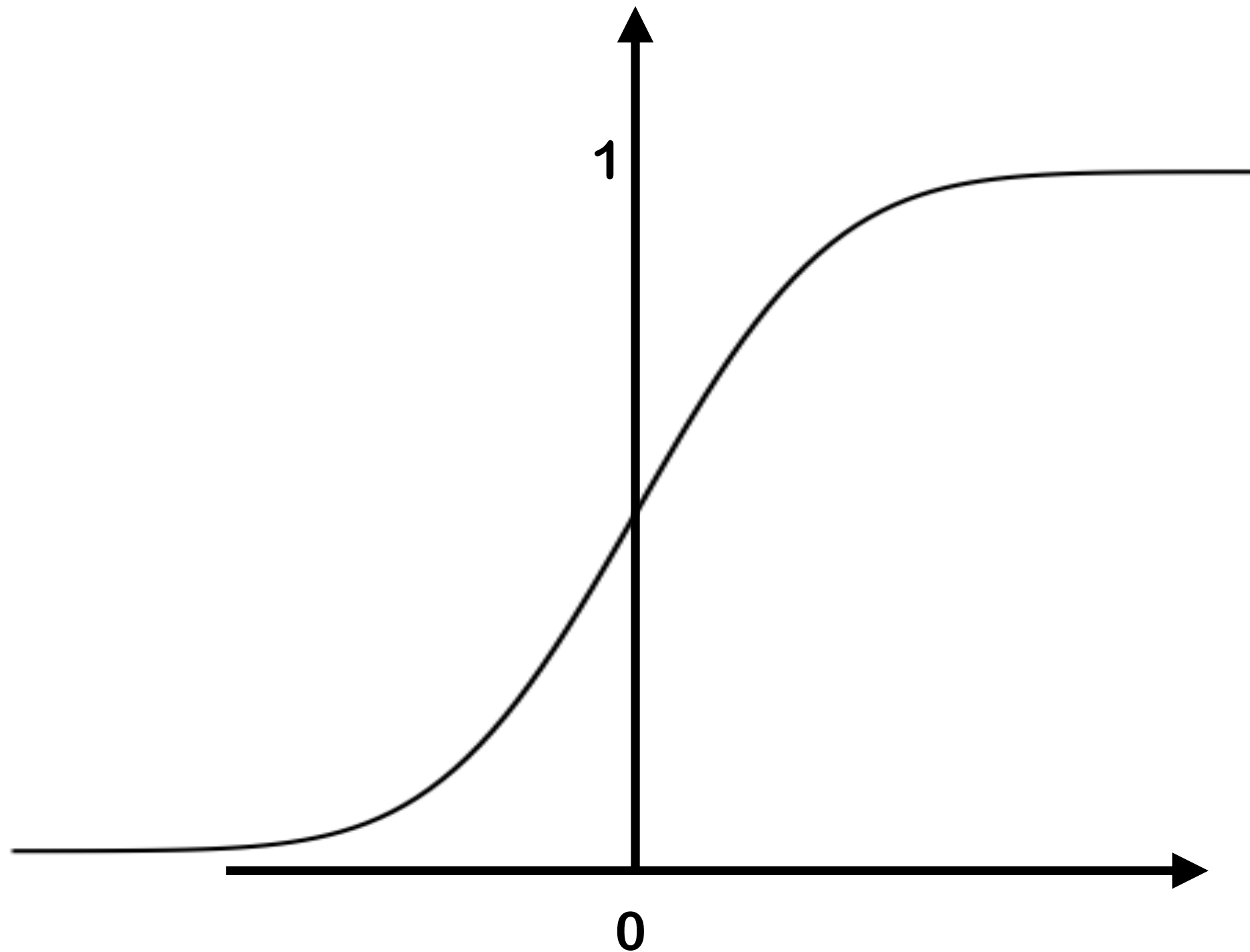
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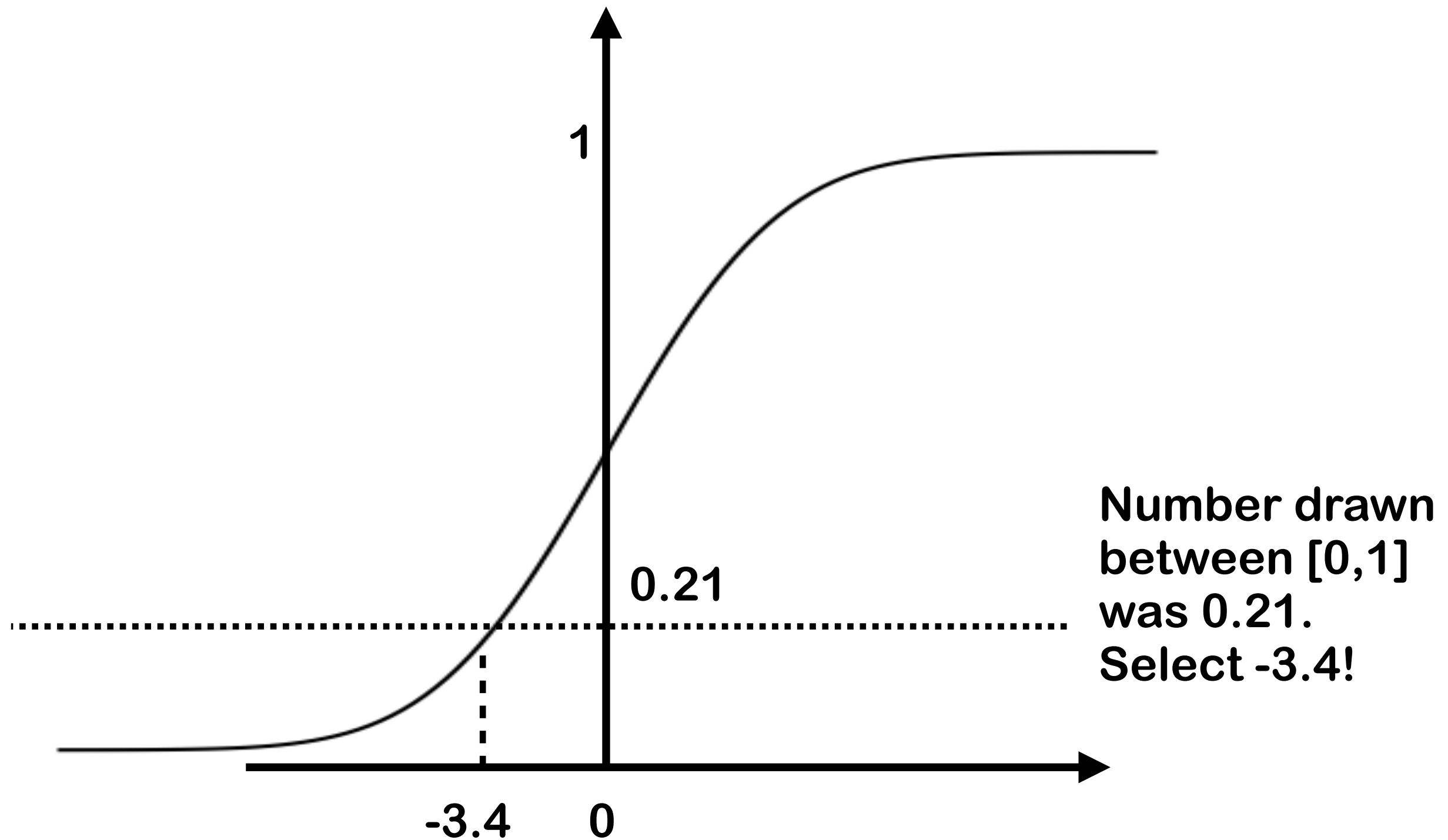
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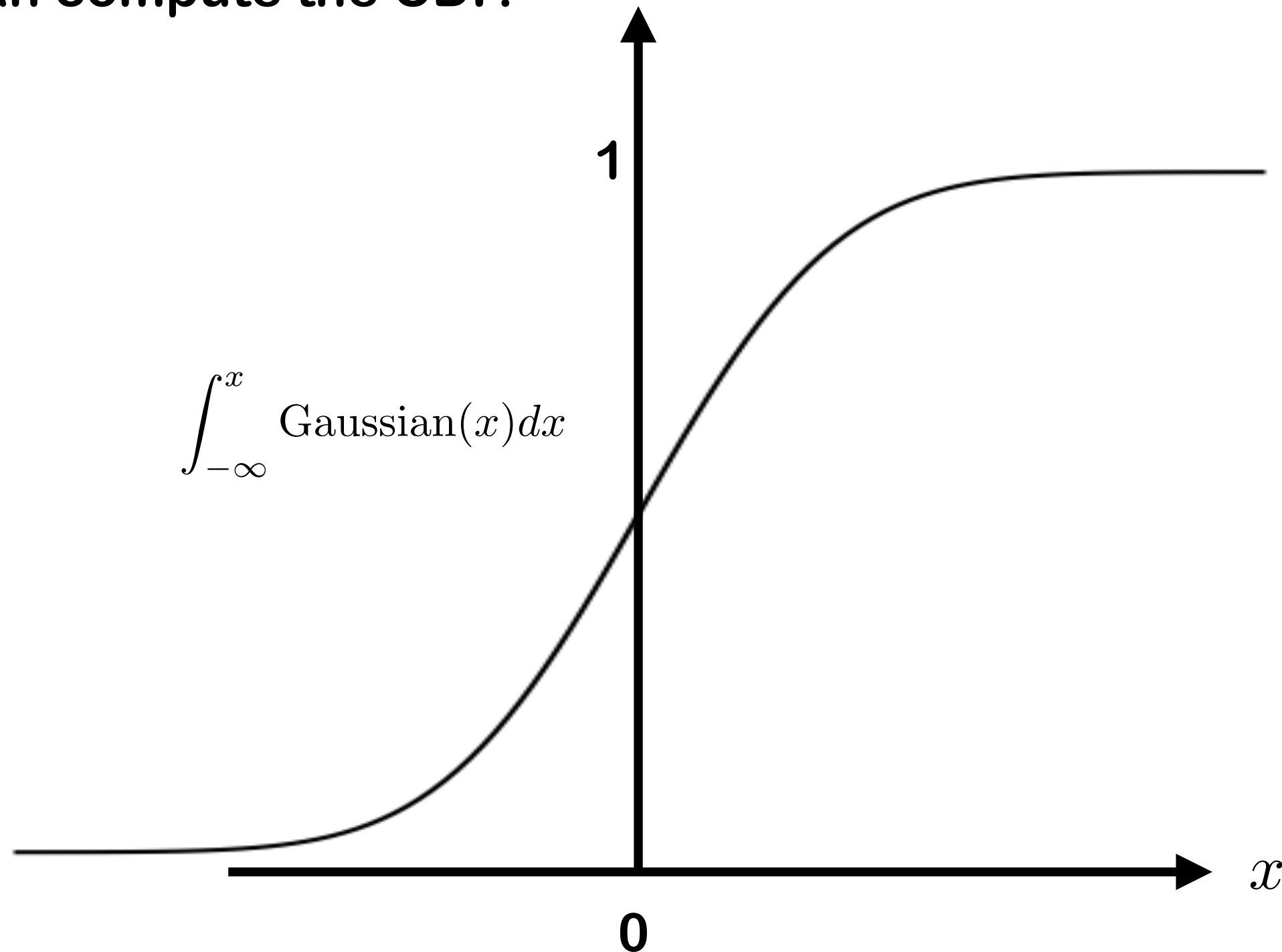
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This method is sometimes called the “CDF” (cumulative distribution function) method for drawing samples from distributions. It only works when you can compute the CDF.



Most of the time, calculating the CDF is not possible. In that case we use a completely different method called Monte Carlo to draw samples from complicated distributions.

In many cases we use Gaussians for forces from which Maxwell-Boltzmann can be derived. Gaussians can be sampled directly.

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Tautological answer: Gaussians appear everywhere.

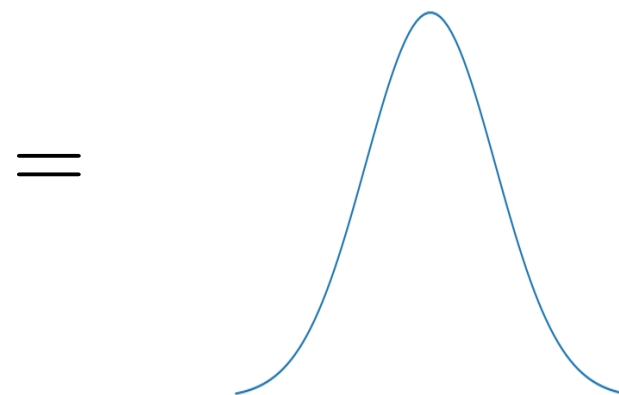
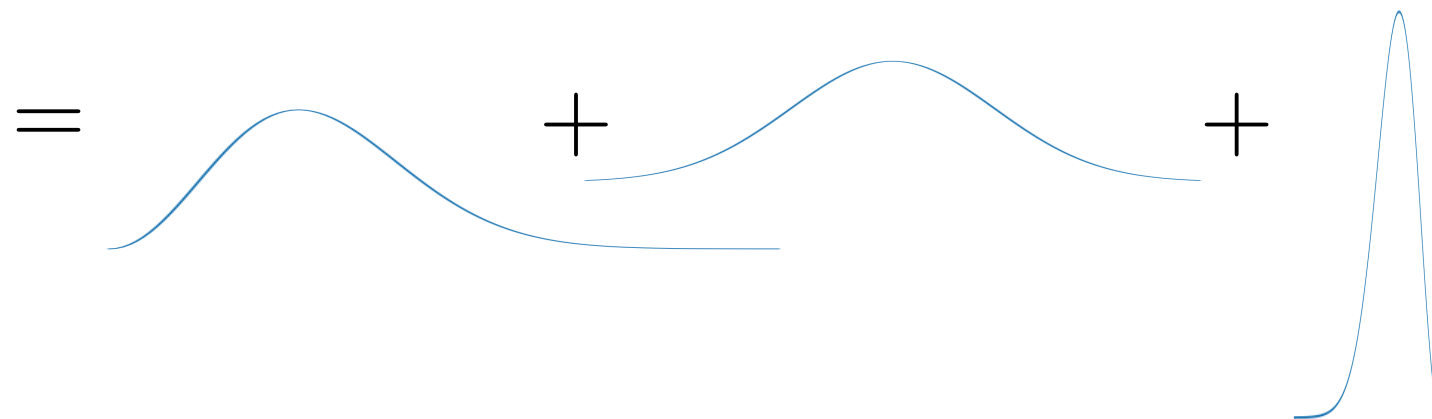
The following are approximately Gaussian:

Test scores, human heights, planet sizes, number of photons emitted by excited atoms, kick magnitudes on a protein, ...

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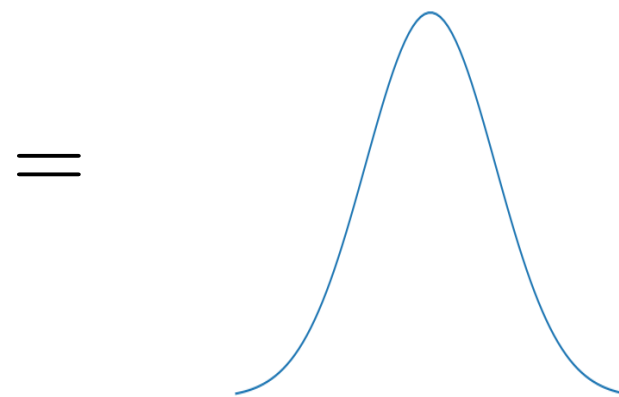
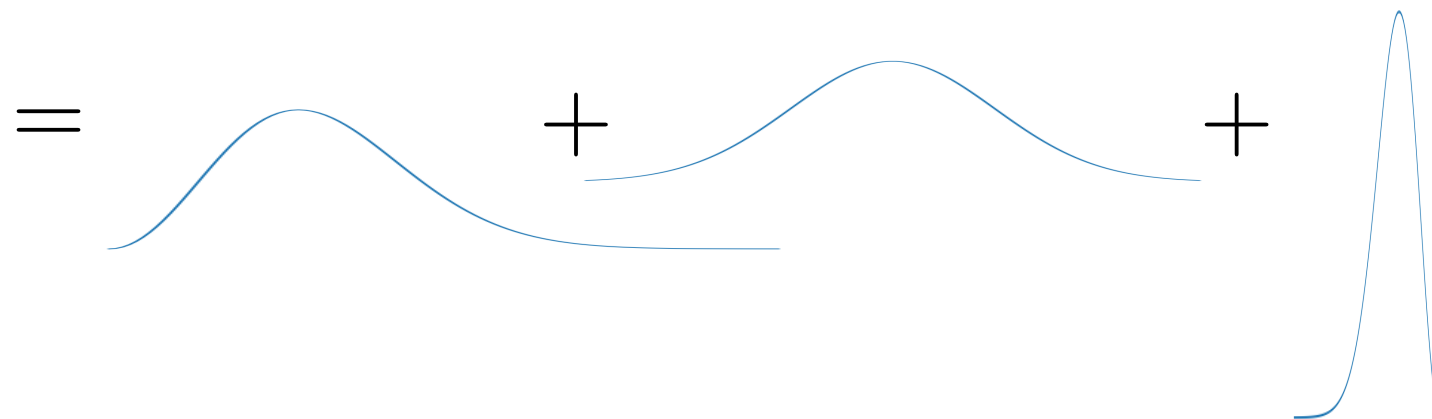
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Central limit theorem

(the most important result of applied mathematics)

