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Probability: Assignment 3

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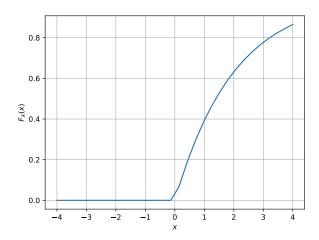


Fig. 1.1. The CDF of X

1 From Uniform to Other

1.1 Generate samples of

$$V = -2\ln(1 - U) \tag{1.1.1}$$

and plot its CDF.

Solution:

Assignment 3/codes/uxrand.py Assignment 3/codes/coeffs.h

1.2 Find a theoretical expression for $F_V(x)$.

Solution: We know from **1.2** that

$$F_U(x) = \Pr(U \le x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } x < 0 \\ x & x \in [0, 1] \\ 1 & \text{for } x > 1 \end{cases}$$

$$0 \le U \le 1 \implies 1 - 0 \ge 1 - U \ge 1 - 1$$

$$\implies -\infty \le \ln(1 - U) \le 0$$

$$\implies \infty \ge -2\ln(1 - U) \ge 0$$

$$\implies 0 \le -2\ln(1 - U) \le \infty \implies 0 \le V \le \infty$$

So, V is in $[0, \infty)$ and is an increasing function such that for $u \in U$ and $v \in V$ we have

$$v = -2ln(1 - u)$$

$$\frac{-v}{2} = ln(1 - u)$$

$$1 - u = e^{\frac{-v}{2}}$$

$$u = 1 - e^{\frac{-v}{2}}$$

Accordingly, $F_V(v) = F_V(1 - e^{-\frac{v}{2}})$

$$F_V(x) = \Pr(V \le x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } x < 0 \\ 1 - e^{\frac{-y}{2}} & \text{for } x \ge 0 \end{cases}$$