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i) $f(x) \geq 0$ for every x in $(1, 2)$ and

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^0 0 dx + \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} dx = 1$$

Hence the function $f(x)$ satisfies the requirement for a density function.

ii) Required probability

$$= P(1 \leq x \leq 2) = \int_1^2 e^{-x} dx$$

$$= e^{-1} - e^{-2}$$

$$= 0.368 - 0.135 = 0.233$$

This probability is equal to the shaded area.

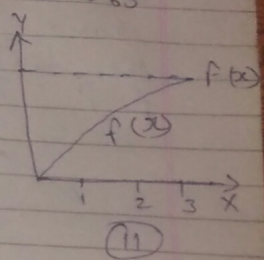
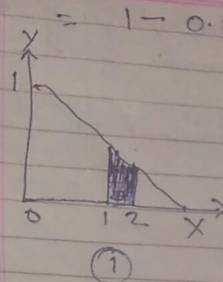
iii) Cumulative probability function $p(x)$:

$$\int_{-\infty}^x f(x) dx$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^0 0 dx + \int_0^x e^{-x} dx = 1 - e^{-x}$$

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$$= 1 - 0.135 = 0.865$$