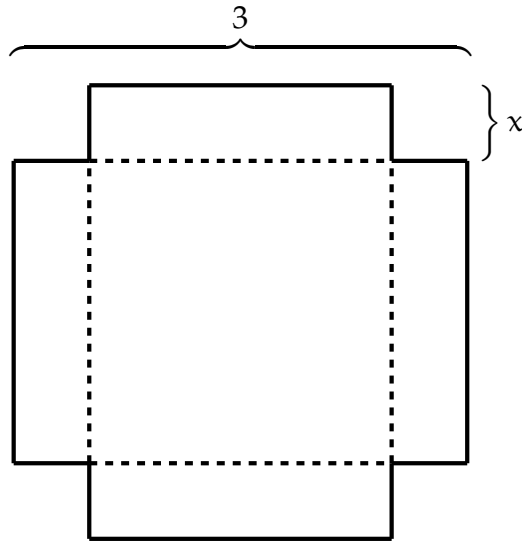


1. We start with a 3 ft by 3 ft cardboard square. We cut a square from each of the four corners and bend up the sides to form an open-topped box. Call the amount we cut off  $x$ .



Write the volume of the resulting box as a function of  $x$ . What are upper and lower bounds on the value of  $x$ ?

2. Let  $f(x) = 2^x$ . Find the exact values of the following.

(a)  $f(5) =$

(b)  $f(-4) =$

(c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) =$

(d)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} f(x) =$