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## 1 Review of Probability

## 1.1 Probability

- Measure space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$ .
- Probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ .
- Random variable  $X : \Omega \to \mathbb{R}$  is a measurable function from  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$  and  $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B})$ .
- Cumulative distribution function
- Probability density function
  - Univariate random variable
  - Bivariate random variable
  - Multivariate random variable
- Conditional distribution

## 1.2 Expectation

- Expectation is an average of random variable with respect to a measure.
- ullet Conditional expectation
- Law of iterated expectation: E[E[Y|X]] = E[Y].
- Properties of conditional expectations
  - 1.  $E[E[Y|X_1, X_2]|X_1] = E[Y|X_1]$
  - 2.  $E[E[Y|X_1]|X_1, X_2] = E[Y|X_1]$
  - 3. E[h(X)Y|X] = h(X)E[Y|X]