# Probability theory

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This is an overview of probability theory expressed in the language of measure theory.

## 1 Probability spaces

**Definition 1.1.** A probability space is a measure space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  for which  $P(\Omega) = 1$ . The elements of  $\Omega$  are called outcomes, the elements of  $\mathcal{F}$  events and P(F) is the probability of the event  $F \in \mathcal{F}$ .

### 2 Random variables

**Definition 2.1.** An E-valued random variable X on a probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  is a measurable function  $X : \Omega \to E$ . Here  $(E, \mathcal{E})$  is a measurable space. Often this measurable space is  $(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{B})$ , so that  $X : \Omega \to \mathbb{R}$ . Such a real-valued random variable is usually simply denoted a random variable for brevity.

#### 2.1 Distribution

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#### 3 Statistical models

#### 4 Likelihood