

# Distribution, distribution function, random variable and probability measure

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**Definition 1.** *Distribution function is a function  $F : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, 1]$  that is non-decreasing and right-continuous. Random variable is a measurable function  $X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  where  $\Omega$  is equipped with probability measure and  $\mathbb{R}$  with Lebesgue measure. Probability measure is a measure defined on  $\Omega$ . Measure induced by random variable is distribution.*

There are two important theories that look trivial but are not really trivial.

- The Skorokhod Representation Theorem states that for every CDF, there exists a canonical probability space and a random variable on that space with the given CDF.
- Kolmogorov's Existence theorem states that given finite dimensional sets of distribution, there exists a canonical probability space with random variables whose corresponding distributions coincide with our original distributions.
- The existence of distribution function guarantees the existence of distribution, and vice versa.
- Thus, Kolmogorov's existence theorem is more general than Skorokhod Representation theorem.

**Proposition 1.** *Let us assume that probability measure is complete. Let  $X_t = Y_t$  almost everywhere for every  $t \geq 0$ . Then there exists  $\tilde{Y}_t = Y_t$  almost everywhere for every  $t$  such that  $X_t(w) = \tilde{Y}_t(w)$  for every  $w \in P$  for every  $t$  for measurable set  $P$  with measure 1.*