

PREFACE TO THE KOLMOGOROV ISSUE

The first four articles in this issue discuss A. N. Kolmogorov's contributions to four different areas of probability theory (in the broad sense). The fifth article is a general biographical survey of his life and mathematical work, followed by a list of his publications. The scope of Kolmogorov's work is such that we could not attempt to cover the entire range of his mathematical contributions, but rather focused on some major areas of probability theory.

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