

Q: If  $F_n \Rightarrow F$ , show  $\exists$  rvs  $\{X_n\}$ ,  $X$  on  $(\Omega, \Sigma, P)$  st  $X_n \rightarrow X$  a.s.

$X_n(y) = \inf \{x: F_n(x) \geq y\}$  (see Ch 8 in Le Gall)

- $X(y)$  is increasing since if  $y_1 < y_2$   $\{x: F(x) \geq y_2\} \subset \{x: F(x) \geq y_1\}$
- $X(y)$  is left continuous:  $\Rightarrow X(y_1) \leq X(y_2)$ .
- $X(y)$  is left continuous: let  $y \uparrow y_0$ . Suppose  $X(y_0) > \lim_{y \uparrow y_0} X(y)$ . Then

By right continuity of  $F$ ,  $F(X(y_0)) \geq y_0$

$\lim_{y \uparrow y_0} F(X(y)) \geq \lim_{y \uparrow y_0} y = y_0$  so for any  $\lim_{y \uparrow y_0} X(y) < t < X(y_0)$

$F(t) \geq y_0 \Rightarrow X(y) \leq t$ . This is a contradiction.

So the points of discontinuity of  $X(y)$  for  $y \in (0,1)$  must be countable.  
This is because for any  $y$ ,  $\exists x$  st  $F(x) \geq y$ . So  $X_n(y) \leq x < \infty$ .  
If there were an uncountable # of points of discontinuity,  $X_n(y)$  would be  $+\infty$  at some  $y \in (0,1)$ .

Let  $\{x_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$  be the points of discontinuity of  $F$ .

Then  $F(x_j^-) < F(x_j^+)$

so when  $F$  jumps, and  $F(x_j^-) \leq y \leq F(x_j^+)$

$X(y) = x_j$ , a constant.

Conversely, when  $F$  is flat,  $X$  jumps: this is because  
if  $F(x) = c$  on  $[a, b]$  Then  $X(c^-) = a$  and  $X(c^+) = b$   
of course  $[a, b]$  is the largest interval st  $F(x) = c$ .

Let  $y_0$  be a point of continuity for  $X(y)$ . Then for any  $t > X(y_0)$   
 that is a point of continuity of  $F$ ,  $F_n(t) \rightarrow F(t)$ .  
 Moreover  $F$  is not constant on an interval containing  $X(y_0)$ .

$$F(t) > F(X(y_0)) \Rightarrow F_n(t) > F(X(y_0)) > y_0$$

$$\Rightarrow X_n(y_0) \leq t \Rightarrow \limsup X_n(y_0) \leq t$$

If  $F(t) < y_0 \Rightarrow t' \notin \{x : F(x) > y_0\}$  which is closed.

$$\Rightarrow X(y_0) > t'.$$

So take any  $t' < X(y_0) \Rightarrow F(t') < y_0 \Rightarrow \liminf F_n(t') < y_0$

$$\Rightarrow X_n(y_0) > t' \Rightarrow \liminf X_n(y_0) > t'$$

Let  $t'$  and  $t$  approach  $y_0$  through points of continuity of  $F$ .

Since the discontinuity points of  $F$  are countable, this can be done.

Thus  $X_n(y) \rightarrow X(y)$  on all pts of continuity of  $y$ .

$$\Rightarrow X_n(y) \rightarrow X(y) \text{ a.s.}$$