

Stochastics in high dimensions

S2F2 Hauptseminar Stochastische Prozesse, S4F3 Graduate Seminar Applied Probability (WS 2024/25, Thursdays 14 ct)

This seminar will consider topics in Probability theory and Statistics in high dimension with applications to data science. It requires only a background in measure-theoretic probability. A prior knowledge of statistics is not necessary. There will be both more basic and more advanced topics available, so that the seminar is suitable both for third year Bachelor and for Master students.

Main references:

- Vershynin: Four lectures on probabilistic methods in data science. <https://arxiv.org/abs/1612.06661>
- Rigollet, Hütter: High dimensional statistics. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2310.19244>
- Misiakiewicz, Montanari: Six lectures on linearized neural networks. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2308.13431>
- Tropp: High dimensional probability. <https://tropp.caltech.edu/notes/Tro21-Probability-High-LN-corr.pdf>

Additional references are the books “High-Dimensional Statistics” by M.J. Wainwright

<https://people.eecs.berkeley.edu/~wainwrig/BibPapers/Wai19.pdf>

and “High-Dimensional Probability: An introduction with applications to data science” by R. Vershynin

<https://www.math.uci.edu/~rvershyn/papers/HDP-book/HDP-book.pdf>

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	High dimensional probability (Vershynin)			
	Concentration of sums of independent r.v., Johnson-Lindenstrauss			
	Concentration of sums of indep. random matrices, community recovery			
	Covariance estimation and matrix completion			
	Matrix deviation inequality			
	*Poincaré and log Sobolev inequalities			
	High dimensional statistics (Rigollet, Hütter)			
	Linear regression model			
	High dimensional linear regression			
	Misspecified linear models			
	Minimax lower bounds			
	Multivariate regression models			
	Principal component analysis			
	*Graphical models			
	Linearized neural networks (Misiakiewicz, Montanari)			
	Linear regression under feature concentration assumptions			
	Kernel ridge regression in high dimension			
	Random features			
	Neural tangent features			
	Why stop being lazy (and how)			