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## Rates of Approximation for CLT and Bootstrap in High Dimensions

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#### Abstract

In the setting of low-dimensional data, it is well known that the distribution of a sample mean can be consistently approximated using the CLT or bootstrap methods. Also, the classical Berry-Esseen theorem shows that such approximations can achieve a rate of order n^{-1/2}, where accuracy is measured with respect to the "Kolmogorov distance". However, until recently, it was an open problem to determine if Berry-Esseen type bounds with near n^{-1/2} rates can be established in the context of high-dimensional data --- which stimulated many advances in the literature during the last several years. In this talk, I will survey these developments and discuss some of my own recent work on solving this

problem. The relevant papers for the talk are available at the following links: <u>https://arxiv.org/abs/2009.06004</u> and <u>https://doi.org/10.1214/19-AOS1844</u>.

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