

Suprema of stochastic processes

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$$\|g\|_p \geq \begin{cases} \|g\|_1 = 1 & , p \in [1, 2) \\ \|g\|_{2[\frac{p}{2}]} \geq \frac{\sqrt{p}}{234} & p \geq 2. \end{cases}$$

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Exception: dependence on the dimension of the problem.

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Theorem (Bednorz-Martynek-Meller 24')

Let K be a "nice" convex set and $X = (X_1, \dots, X_d) \sim \text{Unif}(K)$. Let $X'_1, \dots, X'_d$ be independent, $\forall_{i \leq d} X_i \stackrel{D}{=} X'_i$. Then for any set $T \subset \mathbb{R}^d$, symmetric w.r.t. $\{x_i = 0\}$, $i = 1, \dots, d$

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TLDR: Formula on the right is deterministic (=simpler).