

## **Cognitive Science Colloquium**

Winter term 2024/2025 Tuesday 12.15 – 13.15 h; Lecture Hall 02, Neue Aula

When	What
Tuesday, 26.11.2024 12.15 – 13.15	Dr. Konstantin Genin (University of Tübingen): Foundations for Randomized Designs
	Randomized designs are typically justified by appeal to unbiased estimation of average treatment effects. The trouble with unbiased estimation is that it is too easy: many otherwise unreasonable designs are sufficient for unbiased estimation. Moreover, if, as in the typical case, treatment outcomes are bounded, unbiased estimators are not even admissible. So what, if anything, picks out the most natural randomized designs? Incredibly, the field of optimal design still does not provide a ready-made justification for randomization. In this talk, I try to develop such a foundation by analogy with minimax survey design.

Host: Volker Franz

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Welcome to everybody!