# Ayoub El Hanchi

ayoub.elhanchi@mail.mcgill.ca

https://aelhanchi.github.io/ +1-514-775-9728

### **Education**

### McGill University

Montreal, QC

May 2019 - April 2021

M.Sc. Mathematics and Statistics

- Supervisor: David A. Stephens

- Thesis: Large Scale Optimization and Sampling for Machine Learning and Statistics.

Relevant Coursework: Mathematical Foundations of Machine Learning, Reinforcement Learning,
Probabilistic Graphical Models, Applied Machine Learning.

# McGill University

Montreal, QC

B.Sc. Joint Honours Mathematics and Computer Science

September 2016 - April 2019

- GPA: 3.86/4.0

- Graduated with First Class Honours.

## **Conference Publications**

Adaptive Importance Sampling for Finite-Sum Optimization and Sampling with Decreasing Step-Sizes. **Ayoub El Hanchi**, David A. Stephens

Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2020.

# **Preprints**

A Theory of Variance Reduction for Optimization and Sampling based on Importance Sampling.

## Ayoub El Hanchi

Preprint, available on my website.

A Fast Algorithm for Dynamic Lower-Bounded Weighted Random Sampling.

## Ayoub El Hanchi

Preprint, available on my website.

A Lyapunov Analysis of Loopless SARAH.

### Ayoub El Hanchi

Preprint, available on my website.

### Skills

**Languages:** English · French · Arabic

Programming Languages: Python  $\cdot$  R  $\cdot$  C++  $\cdot$  Bash Software Tools: Pytorch  $\cdot$  Jax  $\cdot$  Numpy  $\cdot$  Pybind11  $\cdot$  Git

### **Awards**

### Science Undergraduate Research Award

May 2018

Faculty of Science, McGill University