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EDUCATION

Master of Science in Applied Mathematics

[Institut Polytechnique de Paris](#)

GPA: 18.18/20, [transcript of records](#)

Sept. 2021 – Pres.

Palaiseau, France

Bachelor of Science in Applied Mathematics and Physics

[Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology](#)

GPA: 4.95/5 (9.27/10), Top 3 at the department, [transcript of records](#)

Sept. 2017 – July 2021

Dolgoprudny, Russia

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Machine Learning, Optimization, Distributed Optimization

RECENT RESEARCH PROJECTS

Analysis of Momentum SGD

[CISPA](#), Supervisor: [Sebastian Stich](#)

Brief description: development of a class of functions where Momentum SGD is provably better than vanilla SGD.

Oct. 2022 – Pres.

Saarbrücken, Germany

Analysis of Gradient-type methods over directed graphs

[EPFL](#), Supervisor: [Hadrien Hendrikx](#), Links: [technical report](#)

Brief description: development of a theory for gradient-type methods over directed graphs. The goal is to create a method which supports stochastic updates, variance reduction and acceleration and whose convergence rates match optimal rates in undirected case.

Apr. 2022 – Aug. 2022

Lausanne, Switzerland

Adaptive stepsize selection for PDHG algorithm

[IP Paris](#), Supervisor: [Olivier Fercoq](#), Links: [technical report](#)

Brief description: the goal is to develop a mechanism for adaptive stepsize selection for PDHG. The idea is based on checking in each iteration the Quadratic Error Bound inequality introduced in [\[Fercoq, 2021\]](#).

Sept. 2021 – Mar. 2021

Palaiseau, France

Second Order Methods for Distributed Optimization

[KAUST](#), Supervisor: [Peter Richtárik](#)

Brief description: development of a theory for Newton-type methods for distributed optimization. The goal is to create the first communication-efficient Newton-type method that inherits its local superlinear convergence. As a part of internship, I attended the course on modern analysis of a family SGD algorithms by Prof. Richtárik.

Jul. 2020 – Dec. 2020

Thuwal, Saudi Arabia

PUBLICATIONS

5. [M. Makarenko](#), [E. Gasanov](#), [R. Islamov](#), [A. Sadiev](#), [P. Richtárik](#). **Adaptive Compression for Communication-Efficient Distributed Training**, [arXiv preprint arXiv: 2211.00188](#), 2022.
4. [R. Islamov](#), [X. Qian](#), [S. Hanzely](#), [M. Safaryan](#), [P. Richtárik](#). **Distributed Newton-Type Methods with Communication Compression and Bernoulli Aggregation**, [arXiv:2206.03588](#), accepted to [HOO-22 \(NeurIPS workshop\)](#), 2022.
3. [X. Qian](#), [R. Islamov](#), [M. Safaryan](#), [P. Richtárik](#). **Basis Matters: Better Communication-Efficient Second Order Methods for Federated Learning**, in [Proc. of the 25th International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics](#), 2022.
2. [M. Safaryan](#), [R. Islamov](#), [X. Qian](#), [P. Richtárik](#). **FedNL: Making Newton-Type Methods Applicable to Federated Learning**, In [Proc. of 39th International Conference on Machine Learning](#), 2022.
1. [R. Islamov](#), [X. Qian](#), [P. Richtárik](#). **Distributed Second Order Methods with Fast Rates and Compressed Communication**, In [Proc. of 38th International Conference on Machine Learning](#), 2021.

RESEARCH VISITS AND INTERNSHIPS

Internship at Machine Learning and Optimization Lab

[EPFL](#), Supervisors: [Hadrien Hendrikx](#), [Martin Jaggi](#)

Internship at Optimization and Machine Learning Lab

[KAUST](#), Supervisor: [Peter Richtárik](#)

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TALKS AND POSTERS

Talk at CISPA for the group of Prof. Sebastian Stich	16 March, 2023
Talk at ETH AI Center Symposium for PhD fellows	9-10 February, 2023
Poster at NeurIPS workshop: Order up! The Benefits of Higher-Order Optimization in Machine Learning , Links: poster	2 December, 2022
Poster at International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics , Links: poster	29 March, 2022
Prerecorded Talk at Beyond first-order methods in ML systems workshop , Links: video	24 July, 2021
Poster at International Workshop on Federated Learning for User Privacy and Data Confidentiality , Links: poster	24 July, 2021
Poster and Prerecorded Talk at International Conference on Machine Learning , Links: video , poster	22 July, 2021
Poster at PRAIRIE/MIAI AI Summer School , Links: poster	6 July, 2021
Talk at Maths & AI: MIPT-UGA young researchers workshop , Links: video , slides	1 July, 2021
Prerecorded Talk at KAUST Conference on Artificial Intelligence , Links: video	28 April, 2021
Poster at NSF-TRIPODS Workshop on Communication Efficient Distributed Optimization , Links: poster	9 April, 2021

SUMMER SCHOOLS

PRAIRIE/MIAI AI Summer School , Links: certificate	5-9 July, 2021
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SCHOLARSHIPS, HONORS AND AWARDS

French Embassy Scholarship Given to students enrolled to French universities with high academic achievements; 700 Euro per month	Sept. 2022 – May. 2023
PhD Track Excellence Scholarship IP Paris awards merit-based excellence scholarships for students enrolled in PhD tracks; 1000 Euro per month	Sept. 2021 – Mar. 2022 Sept. 2022 – Mar. 2023
Increased State Academic Scholarship Given to 4 year Bachelor and Master students at MIPT with scientific achievements; 16,000 Russian roubles per month	Feb. 2021 – June 2021 Sept. 2020 – Jan. 2021
Prizewinner of Student Olympiad in Maths “I am professional” Student Olympiad organized by Yandex and MIPT	Apr. 2020
Abramov scholarship Given to 1-3 year Bachelor students with the best grades at MIPT; 12,000 Russian rubles per month	Sept. 2017 – June 2020
Prizewinner of Final Round of All-Russian Physics Olympiad	Apr. 2016
Participant of Final Round of All-Russian Physics Olympiad	2015, 2017

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Languages: Python (NumPy, Matplotlib, PyTorch, Pandas), C++, LaTeX
Mathematics: Calculus, Linear Algebra, Probability Theory, Convex Analysis

LANGUAGES

Russian: Native
English: [Advanced \(C1\)](#)
French: Elementary (A1)

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS

Football, former member of student football team
Travelling, hiking, photo shooting