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- 2017-2020 KAUST, PhD in Computer Science, Adviser: Peter Richtárik
- 2016–2017 ENS Cachan and Paris-Dauphine, MSc in Machine Learning
- 2012–2016 Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology BSc in Computer Science and Physics

## Conferences

- 2019 International Conference on Continuous Optimization, Invited talk, Organizer of 3 sessions
- 2019 International Conference on Machine Learning, Time Series Workshop, Poster
- 2018 Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems, Poster
- 2018 International Conference on Machine Learning, Oral
- 2018 International Symposium on Mathematical Programming, Invited talk
- 2018 Informs Optimization Society Meeting, Invited Talk, Organizer of a session

# Internships and projects

- 2019 Frontiers of Deep Learning Workshop at Simons Institute for the Theory of Computing
- 2018 Applied Scientist Intern at Amazon
- 2017 Pre-Doc Summer School, ETH Zurich
- 2017 Machine Learning Summer School (Acceptance rate 15%, the only accepted undergrad student), MPI Tübingen
- 2017 Google Machine Learning Summit, Zurich, Poster
- 2016 C++ development summer intern, AIM High Tech (High Frequency Trading), Moscow

#### Achievements and awards

- 2019 NeurIPS 2019 Best Reviewer Award
- 2018 IEEEXtreme team programming competition, 71st place worldwide
- 2017 1st place in the Plume Labs competition on air pollution prediction
- 2017 IEEEXtreme team programming competition, 123rd place worldwide
- 2016-2017 Paris Graduate School of Mathematics fellowship (highly competitive scholarship with about 20 laureates every year)
  - 2015 Higher School of Economics Olympiad on Applied Math and Informatics, 1st prize
  - 2014 Abramov-Frolov scholarship for excellence in study
  - 2012 Top-1 (max score) at the National Exam in math (only 54 participants out of >800k scored max)
  - 2012 Moscow Mathematical Olympiad, 1st prize
  - 2012 Phystech International, Mathematics, 1st prize

#### Research interests

- Nonconvex Optimization
- Stochastic and Distributed Algorithms
- Deep Learning

## **Papers**

- A Self-supervised Approach to Hierarchical Forecasting with Applications to Groupwise Synthetic Controls, Proceeding of the Time Series workshop at International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML, poster), 2019
- o MISO is Making a Comeback With Better Proofs and Rates
- DAve-QN: A Distributed Averaged Quasi-Newton Method with Local Superlinear Convergence Rate
- A Stochastic Decoupling Method for Minimizing the Sum of Smooth and Non-Smooth Functions
- Revisiting Stochastic Extragradient
- o Stochastic Distributed Learning with Gradient Quantization and Variance Reduction
- 99% of Parallel Optimization is Inevitably a Waste of Time
- Distributed Learning with Compressed Gradient Differences
- SEGA: Variance Reduction via Gradient Sketching, Published in proceeding of the Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS, Poster), 2018
- A Stochastic Penalty Model for Convex and Nonconvex Optimization with Big Constraints
- A Distributed Flexible Delay-tolerant Proximal Gradient Algorithm
- A Delay-Tolerant Proximal-Gradient Algorithm for Distributed Learning, Published in proceedings of the International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML, Oral), 2018

# Reviewing and serving as Program Committee Member

- 2019 Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems, Program Committee Member
- 2019 Mathematical Programming Journal, Reviewer
- 2019 Conference on Uncertainty in Artificial Intelligence, Program Committee Member
- 2019 International Conference on Machine Learning, Program Committee Member

## Languages

Russian Native

English Fluent

French Intermediate