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EDUCATION

Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology

Moscow, Russia

PhD in Computer Science and Informatics

Sep 2022 – Aug 2023

 Thesis: "Gradient-Free Methods for Saddle-Point Problems and Beyond", Advisor: Alexander Gasnikov

o GPA - 4/4, 5/5, 9.64/10

Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology

Moscow, Russia

MSc in Applied Mathematics and Physics

Sep 2020 – Jul 2022

 Thesis: "Methods for solving distributed saddle point problems: lower bounds, optimal and practical algorithms", Advisor: Alexander Gasnikov

o GPA - 3.96/4, 4.96/5, 9.52/10

Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology

Moscow, Russia

BSc in Applied Mathematics and Physics

Sep 2016 – Aug 2020

 Thesis: "Distributed decentralized gradient-free methods for solving non-smooth stochastic convex optimization problems", Advisor: Alexander Gasnikov

o GPA – 3.99/4, 4.99/5, 9.35/10

WORK EXPERIENCE

Sber AI Lab, Sber	Moscow, Russia
Research assistant	Nov 2023 – Present
Department of Mathematical Methods of Forecasting, MSU	Moscow, Russia
Mathematician	Oct 2023 – Present
Center of Artificial Intelligence Technology, Skoltech	Moscow, Russia
Research engineer	Aug 2023 – Present
Department of Discrete Mathematics, MIPT	Moscow, Russia
Lecturer	Aug 2023 – Present
Department of Data Analysis, MIPT	Moscow, Russia
Teaching assistant	Jul 2023 – Present
Laboratory 10, IITP RAS	Moscow, Russia
Researcher	Jun 2023 – Present
Machine Learning Department, MBZUAI	Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates
Research assistant	Mar 2023 – Present
MIPT-Yandex Fundamental Research Laboratory	Moscow, Russia
Laboratory head	Jan 2023 – Present
Artificial Intelligence Research Centre, Innopolis University	Innopolis, Russia
Leading expert	Oct 2022 – Present

Laboratory of Mathematical Methods of Optimization, MIPT Moscow, Russia Researcher Sep 2022 - Present Yandex Research Moscow, Russia Research intern Iul 2021 - Present Laboratory of Advanced Combinatorics and Network Applications, MIPT Moscow, Russia Researcher Mar 2021 – Present International Laboratory of SA and HDI, HSE Moscow, Russia Research assistant Feb 2021 – Dec 2022 MADE: Big Data Academy Mail.Ru group Moscow, Russia Feb 2021 - Present Teaching assistant Department of Mathematical Fundamentals of Control, MIPT Moscow, Russia Senior instructor Sep 2017 - Present

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Variational Inequalities and Saddle Point Problems
- Federated Learning
- Distributed Optimization
- Stochastic Optimization
- Machine Learning

COMPUTER SKILLS

- Programming Language: Python, C#, C++, C, SQL
- LATEX
- o Operating Systems: Mac OSX, Linux, Microsoft Windows

LANGUAGE

- **Russian:** [Mothertongue]
- English: [Upper Intermediate]

INTERESTS

- Basketball
- Tennis

PUBLICATIONS

- M. Rudakov, A. Beznosikov, Y. Kholodov, A. Gasnikov Activations and gradients compression for model-parallel training December 2023, Doklady Rossijskoj akademii nauk. Matematika, informatika, processy upravlenia, AI Journey best paper award
- 2. D. Medyakov, G. Molodtsov, A. Beznosikov, A. Gasnikov
 - Optimal data splitting in distributed optimization for machine learning
 - December 2023, Doklady Rossijskoj akademii nauk. Matematika, informatika, processy upravlenia
- 3. A. Pichugin, M. Pechin, A. Beznosikov, A. Savchenko, A. Gasnikov Optimal analysis of method with batching for monotone stochastic finite-sum variational inequalities

- December 2023, Doklady Rossijskoj akademii nauk. Matematika, informatika, processy upravlenia
- 4. S. Ablaev, A. Beznosikov, A. Gasnikov, D. Dvinskikh, A. Lobanov, S. Puchinin, F. Stonyakin About some works of Boris Polyak on convergence of gradient methods and their development November 2023, arxiv.org:2311.16743
- A. Beznosikov, D. Dvinskikh, A. Semenov, A. Gasnikov Bregman Proximal Method for Efficient Communications under Similarity November 2023, arxiv.org;2311.06953
- 6. A. Ustimenko, A. Beznosikov
 - Ito Diffusion Approximation of Universal Ito Chains for Sampling, Optimization and Boosting October 2023, arxiv.org:2310.06081
- 7. S. Tkachenko, A. Andreev, A. Beznosikov, A. Gasnikov Real Acceleration of Communication Process in Distributed Algorithms with Compression September 2023, OPTIMA 2023 (LNCS series)
- 8. E. Borodich, G. Kormakov, D. Kovalev, A. Beznosikov, A. Gasnikov Optimal Algorithm with Complexity Separation for Strongly Convex-Strongly Concave Composite Saddle Point Problems July 2023, arxiv.org:2307.12946
- 9. D. Metelev, A. Beznosikov, A. Rogozin, A. Gasnikov, A. Proskurnikov Decentralized Optimization Over Slowly Time-Varying Graphs: Algorithms and Lower Bounds July 2023, Computational Management Science
- A. Lobanov, A. Veprikov, G. Konin, A. Beznosikov, A. Gasnikov, D. Kovalev Non-Smooth Setting of Stochastic Decentralized Convex Optimization Problem Over Time-Varying Graphs
 - July 2023, Computational Management Science
- 11. A. Beznosikov, S. Samsonov, M. Sheshukova, A. Gasnikov, A. Naumov, E. Moulines First Order Methods with Markovian Noise: from Acceleration to Variational Inequalities May 2023, **NeurIPS 2023**, poster at the main conference
- 12. A. Beznosikov, D. Dobre, G. Gidel
 - Sarah Frank-Wolfe: Methods for Constrained Optimization with Best Rates and Practical Features April 2023, arxiv.org:2304.11737
- 13. A. Beznosikov, M. Takac, A. Gasnikov
 - Similarity, Compression and Local Steps: Three Pillars of Efficient Communications for Distributed Variational Inequalities
 - February 2023, NeurIPS 2023, poster at the main conference
- A. Gasnikov, D. Dvinskikh, P. Dvurechensky, E. Gorbunov, A. Beznosikov, A. Lobanov Randomized gradient-free methods in convex optimization November 2022, arxiv.org;2211.13566
- 15. A. Rogozin, A. Gasnikov, D. Kovalev, A. Beznosikov Decentralized optimization over time-varying graphs: a survey October 2022, arxiv.org:2210.09719
- 16. A. Beznosikov, A. Gasnikov
 - SARAH-based Variance-reduced Algorithm for Stochastic Finite-sum Cocoercive Variational Inequalities
 - October 2022, Springer Optimization and Its Applications
- 17. A. Beznosikov, B. Polyak, E. Gorbunov, D. Kovalev, A. Gasnikov Smooth Monotone Stochastic Variational Inequalities and Saddle Point Problems – Survey August 2022, EMS Magazine
- 18. A. Beznosikov, A. Gasnikov Compression and Data Similarity: Combination of Two Techniques for Communication-Efficient

Solving of Distributed Variational Inequalities

June 2022, OPTIMA 2022 (LNCS series)

19. A. Beznosikov, A. Alanov, D. Kovalev, M. Takáč, A. Gasnikov

On Scaled Methods for Saddle Point Problems

June 2022, arxiv.org:2206.08303

20. A. Sadiev, A. Beznosikov, A. Almansoori, D. Kamzolov, R. Tappenden, M. Takáč Stochastic Gradient Methods with Preconditioned Updates

June 2022, arxiv.org:2206.00285

21. D. Kovalev, A. Beznosikov, E. Borodich, A. Gasnikov, G. Scutari

Optimal Gradient Sliding and its Application to Distributed Optimization Under Similarity May 2022, **NeurIPS 2022**, poster at the main conference

22. A. Beznosikov, E. Gorbunov, H. Berard, N. Loizou

Stochastic Gradient Descent-Ascent: Unified Theory and New Efficient Methods

February 2022, AISTATS 2023, poster at the main conference

23. D. Kovalev, A. Beznosikov, A. Sadiev, M. Persiianov, P. Richtárik, A. Gasnikov

Optimal Algorithms for Decentralized Stochastic Variational Inequalities

February 2022, NeurIPS 2022, poster at the main conference

24. A. Gasnikov, A. Novitskii, V. Novitskii, F. Abdukhakimov, D. Kamzolov, A. Beznosikov, M. Takáč, P. Dvurechensky, B. Gu

The Power of First-Order Smooth Optimization for Black-Box Non-Smooth Problems

January 2022, ICML 2022, short talk at the main conference

25. A. Beznosikov, A. Gasnikov, K. Zainulina, A. Maslovskiy, D. Pasechnyuk

A Unified Analysis of Variational Inequality Methods: Variance Reduction, Sampling, Quantization and Coordinate Descent

January 2022, Computational Mathematics and Mathematical Physics

26. A. Beznosikov, M. Takac

Random-reshuffled SARAH does not need a full gradient computations

November 2021, Optimization Letters

NeurIPS 2021, poster at workshop on Optimization for Machine Learning

27. A. Beznosikov, P. Richtárik, M. Diskin, M. Ryabinin, A. Gasnikov

Distributed Methods with Compressed Communication for Solving Variational Inequalities, with Theoretical Guarantees

October 2021, NeurIPS 2022, poster at the main conference

28. A. Beznosikov, G. Scutari, A. Rogozin, A. Gasnikov

Distributed Saddle-Point Problems Under Similarity

July 2021, NeurIPS 2021, poster at the main conference

29. A. Sadiev, E. Borodich, A. Beznosikov, D. Dvinskikh, M. Takac, A. Gasnikov

Decentralized Personalized Federated Learning: Lower Bounds and Optimal Algorithm for All Personalization Modes

July 2021, EURO Journal on Computational Optimization

NeurIPS 2021, spotlight at workshop on Optimization for Machine Learning

30. A. Beznosikov, A. Rogozin, D. Kovalev, A. Gasnikov

Near-Optimal Decentralized Algorithms for Saddle Point Problems over Time-Varying Networks July 2021, OPTIMA 2021 (LNCS series)

31. I. Stepanov, A. Voronov, A. Beznosikov, A. Gasnikov

One-Point Gradient-Free Methods for Composite Optimization with Applications to Distributed Optimization

July 2021, arXiv:2107.05951

32. A. Beznosikov, P. Dvurechensky, A. Koloskova, V. Samokhin, S. Stich, A. Gasnikov

Decentralized Local Stochastic Extra-Gradient for Variational Inequalities June 2021, NeurIPS 2022, poster at the main conference

33. E. Borodich, A. Beznosikov, A. Sadiev, V. Sushko, N. Savelyev, M. Takac, A. Gasnikov Decentralized Personalized Federated Min-Max Problems
June 2021, **NeurIPS 2021**, poster at workshop on New Frontiers in Federated Learning: Privacy, Fairness, Robustness, Personalization and Data Ownership

34. E. Gladin, A. Sadiev, A. Gasnikov, P. Dvurechensky, A. Beznosikov, M. Alkousa Solving smooth min-min and min-max problems by mixed oracle algorithms March 2021, MOTOR 2021 (CCIS series)

35. A. Beznosikov, V. Novitskii, A. Gasnikov One-Point Gradient-Free Methods for Smooth and Non-Smooth Saddle-Point Problems March 2021, MOTOR 2021 (LNCS series)

36. A. Beznosikov, V. Samokhin, A. Gasnikov Distributed Saddle-Point Problems: Lower Bounds, Optimal and Robust Algorithms February 2021, Communication Efficient Distributed Optimization Workshop, poster

37. A. Rogozin, A. Beznosikov, D. Dvinskikh, D. Kovalev, P. Dvurechensky, A. Gasnikov Decentralized Distributed Optimization for Saddle Point Problems February 2021, arXiv:2102.07758

38. E. Gorbunov, A. Rogozin, A. Beznosikov, D. Dvinskikh, A. Gasnikov Recent theoretical advances in decentralized distributed convex optimization November 2020, High Dimensional Optimization and Probability Journal

39. A. Sadiev, A. Beznosikov, P. Dvurechensky, A. Gasnikov Zeroth-Order Algorithms for Smooth Saddle-Point Problems September 2020, MOTOR 2021 (CCIS series)

40. A. Bazarova, A. Beznosikov, A. Gasnikov

Linearly Convergent Gradient-Free Methods for Minimization of Symmetric Parabolic Approximation

September 2020, Computer Research and Modeling

41. A. Beznosikov, A. Sadiev, A. Gasnikov

Gradient-Free Methods for Saddle-Point Problem

May 2020, MOTOR 2020 (CCIS series)

42. A. Beznosikov, S. Horváth, P. Richtárik, M. Safaryan

On Biased Compression for Distributed Learning

February 2020, Journal of Machine Learning Research

NeurIPS 2020, oral talk at workshop on Scalability, Privacy, and Security in Federated Learning

43. A. Beznosikov, E. Gorbunov, A. Gasnikov

Derivative-Free Method For Composite Optimization With Applications To Decentralized Distributed Optimization

November 2019, IFAC World Congress 2020 (IFAC-PapersOnline)

TALKS

- January 2023, Regular seminar of Laboratory of Algorithms and Technologies for Networks Analysis, Nizhny Novgorod, Russia – 1,5 hour oral talk
- December 2023, NeurIPS 2023, main conference, online 4 posters
- November 2023, Mathematics of Big Data (MIPT course), Moscow, Russia 2 hours invited oral talk
- August 2023, Summer school of machine learning "SMILES", Altai, Russia 3 hour oral talk
- July 2023, Traditional youth summer school "Control, information and optimization", Nizhny Novgorod, Russia – 1 hour oral talk

- o June 2023, Omsk State Technical University, Omsk, Russia 1 hour oral talk
- o April 2023, All-Russian Optimization Seminar, Moscow, Russia 1,5 hour oral talk
- o April 2023, Data Fusion Conference, Moscow, Russia 15 min oral talk
- January 2023, International conference on the occasion of Boris Mirkin's 80th birthday, Moscow, Russia – 15 min oral talk
- December 2022, NeurIPS 2022, main conference, online 4 posters
- November 2022, Fall into ML workshop 2022, Moscow, Russia 15 min oral talk
- November 2022, Mathematics of Big Data (MIPT course), Moscow, Russia 2 hours invited oral talk
- September 2022, International Conference Optimization and Applications (OPTIMA 2022), Petrovac, Montenegro (online) – 15 min oral talk
- o September 2022, All-Russian Optimization Seminar, Moscow, Russia 1,5 hour oral talk
- o December 2021, NeurIPS 2021, workshop on Optimization for Machine Learning, online poster
- December 2021, NeurIPS 2021, main conference, online poster
- November 2021, Mohamed bin Zayed University of Artificial Intelligence, Abu Dhabi, UAE 2 hour lecture
- September 2021, International Conference Optimization and Applications (OPTIMA 2021), Petrovac, Montenegro (online) – 15 min oral talk
- July 2021 Modern Methods of Information Theory, Optimization and Control (summer school), Sochi, Russia – 1 hour lecture
- o June 2021 All-Russian Optimization Seminar, Moscow, Russia 45 min oral talk
- June 2021 Control, Information and Optimization Summer School, Moscow, Russia 1,5 hour lecture
- June 2021 Moscow Conference on Combinatorics and Applications, Moscow, Russia (online) 30 min oral talk
- o April 2021, MADE: Big Data Academy Mail.Ru group, Moscow, Russia (online) 3 hour lecture
- o April 2021, Communication Efficient Distributed Optimization Workshop, (online) poster session
- July 2020, Mathematical Optimization Theory and Operations Research (MOTOR 2020), Novosibirsk, Russia (online) – 15 min oral talk
- July 2020, 21st IFAC World Congress 2020, Berlin, Germany (online) video and poster
- December 2019, Quasilinear Equations, Inverse Problems and Their Applications 2019, Moscow, Russia – 15 min oral talk
- November 2019, The 62th MIPT Conference 15 min oral talk, winner
- November 2017, The 60th MIPT Conference, Moscow, Russia 15 min oral talk, winner

RESEARCH VISITS

- October November 2023, MBZUAI, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates (worked with Martin Takac)
- March May 2023, MBZUAI, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates (worked with Martin Takac)
- September 2022 January 2023, Université de Montréal, Montreal, Canada (worked with Gauthier Gidel)
- October November 2021, MBZUAI, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates (worked with Martin Takac)
- o July August 2021, Sirius University of Science and Technology, Sochi, Russia
- August August 2020, Sirius University of Science and Technology, Sochi, Russia
- January February 2020, Visual Computing Center, KAUST, Thuwal, Saudi Arabia (worked with Peter Richtárik)

TEACHING

• Fall 2023 AI Journey best paper award: video

University

Skoltech University Moscow, Russia Nov 2023 - Present Lecturer • Fall 2023: Optimization in Machine Learning **Innopolis University** Innopolis, Russia Sep 2023 - Present Lecturer • Fall 2023: Optimization in Machine Learning Big Data Academy VK group Moscow, Russia Teaching assistant Feb 2023 - Present Spring 2023: Optimization in Machine Learning MADE: Big Data Academy Mail.Ru group Moscow, Russia Feb 2021 - June 2022 Teaching assistant Spring 2022: Optimization in Machine Learning Spring 2021: Optimization in Machine Learning Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology Moscow, Russia Senior instructor Sep 2017 - Present • Fall 2023: Numerical optimization (lecturer) • Fall 2023: Probability theory • Spring 2023: Numerical optimization Spring 2023: Stochastic process • Fall 2022: Probability theory Spring 2022: Stochastic process • Fall 2021: Probability theory Spring 2021: Stochastic process • Fall 2020: Probability theory • Fall 2020: Discrete analysis Spring 2020: Stochastic process • Fall 2019: Probability theory • Fall 2019: Discrete analysis • Fall 2018: Discrete analysis • Fall 2018: Databases • Fall 2017: Databases Summer school in Physics and Mathematics Lyceum Syktyvkar, Russia Director, Head of teaching staff Aug 2018, Aug 2019 • Summer school for gifted children from provincial towns and villages SCHOLARSHIPS, HONORS AND AWARDS Researcher 2023 - Present • Fall 2023 AI Leaders in the nomination "Researcher": video • Fall 2023 Yandex ML Prize in the nomination "Yandex Researcher"

2016 - 2023

- Spring 2022-2023 1st degree personal scholarship for contributions to the development of numerical optimization methods
- Fall 2022-2023 1st degree personal scholarship for contributions to the development of numerical optimization methods
- Fall 2022-2023 N.N. Moiseyev and O. M. Bilotserkovsky personal scholarship
- Spring 2021-2022 1st degree personal scholarship for contributions to the development of numerical optimization methods
- o Spring 2021-2022 Increased State Academic Scholarship for 4 year bachelor and master students at MIPT
- Spring 2021-2022 N.N. Moiseyev and O. M. Bilotserkovsky personal scholarship
- Fall 2021-2022 1st degree personal scholarship for contributions to the development of numerical optimization methods
- Fall 2021-2022 Increased State Academic Scholarship for 4 year bachelor and master students at MIPT
- Spring 2020-2021 1st degree personal scholarship for contributions to the development of numerical optimization methods
- Spring 2020-2021 Increased State Academic Scholarship for 4 year bachelor and master students at MIPT
- Fall 2020-2021 Increased State Academic Scholarship for 4 year bachelor and master students at MIPT
- o 2020 Gazprom Bank personal scholarship
- o 2020 Moscow region government scholarship
- 2020 Personal merit scholarship at MIPT
- o Spring 2019-2020 Increased State Academic Scholarship for 4 year bachelor and master students at MIPT
- Fall 2019-2020 Increased State Academic Scholarship for 4 year bachelor and master students at MIPT
- o Spring 2018-2019 Increased State Academic Scholarship for 4 year bachelor and master students at MIPT
- Fall 2018-2019 Author of problems and organizer of the student olympiad in discrete mathematics
- 2017: First Prize at MIPT's Team Mathematical Tournament
- o 2017-2019: Abramov scholarship for 1-3 year bachelor students with the best grades at MIPT

School 2016 and earlier

- 2015: Silver medal in IEPhO (International Experimental Physics Olympiad)
- o 2014-2015: Russian President's Scholarship, for high school student
- o 2015: Prize-Winner, All-Russian School Physics Olympiad, Final Round
- o 2014: Prize-Winner, All-Russian School Physics Olympiad, Final Round
- 2014-2015: Russian President's Scholarship, for high school student
- o 2015-2016: Winner, All-Russian School Programming Olympiad, Region Round
- o 2014-2016: Winner, All-Russian School Physics Olympiad, Region Round
- o 2014-2016: Winner, All-Russian School Maths Olympiad, Region Round

GRANTS

- o 2023-2025: Russian Science Foundation, project number 23-11-00229 main executor
- 2021-2024: Russian Science Foundation, project number 21-71-30005 executor
- 2020-2021: Russian Foundation for Basic Research, project number 19-31-51001 "Scientific mentoring" executor

REVIEWING

- Automatica: 1 paper in 2021.
- IEEE Transactions on Information Theory: 1 paper in 2021.
- o AISTATS: 3 papers in 2022, 4 papers in 2023
- SIOPT: 1 paper in 2022
- NeurIPS: 5 papers in 2022 (top reviewer), 6 papers in 2023
- JOTA: 1 paper in 2023