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## **EDUCATION**

#### Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology

Moscow, Russia

PhD in Computer Science and Informatics

Sep 2022 - Present

o GPA - 4/4, 5/5, 9.40/10

### 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

o 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**

MIPT-Yandex Fundamental Research Laboratory  Laboratory head	<b>Moscow, Russia</b> Jan 2023 – Present
Artificial Intelligence Research Centre, Innopolis University  Leading expert	Innopolis, Russia Oct 2022 – Present
Laboratory of Mathematical Methods of Optimization, MIPT Researcher	<b>Moscow, Russia</b> Sep 2022 – Present
Yandex Research Research intern	<b>Moscow, Russia</b> Jul 2021 – Present
Laboratory of Advanced Combinatorics and Network Applications, MIPT <i>Junior Researcher</i>	<b>Moscow, Russia</b> Mar 2021 – Present
International Laboratory of SA and HDI, HSE Research assistant	<b>Moscow, Russia</b> Feb 2021 – Present
MADE: Big Data Academy Mail.Ru group Teaching assistant	<b>Moscow, Russia</b> Feb 2021 - Present
Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology Teaching assistant at the Department of Mathematical Fundamentals of Control	<b>Moscow, Russia</b> Sep 2017 – Present

## **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Variational Inequalities and Saddle Point Problems

- Distributed Optimization
- Stochastic Optimization
- Machine Learning
- Federated Learning

# **COMPUTER SKILLS**

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

#### **LANGUAGE**

• **Russian:** [Mothertongue]

o English: [Upper Intermediate]

#### **INTERESTS**

- Basketball
- Tennis

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

1. A. Beznosikov, A. Gasnikov

Similarity, Compression and Local Steps: Three Pillars of Efficient Communications for Distributed Variational Inequalities

February 2023, arxiv.org:2302.07615

2. 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

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

Decentralized optimization over time-varying graphs: a survey

October 2022, arxiv.org:2210.09719

4. A. Beznosikov, A. Gasnikov

SARAH-based Variance-reduced Algorithm for Stochastic Finite-sum Cocoercive Variational Inequalities

October 2022, arxiv.org:2210.05994

5. A. Beznosikov, B. Polyak, E. Gorbunov, D. Kovalev, A. Gasnikov Smooth Monotone Stochastic Variational Inequalities and Saddle Point Problems – Survey August 2022, EMS Magazine

6. 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)

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

On Scaled Methods for Saddle Point Problems

June 2022, arxiv.org:2206.08303

8. A. Sadiev, A. Beznosikov, A. Almansoori, D. Kamzolov, R. Tappenden, M. Takáč Stochastic Gradient Methods with Preconditioned Updates June 2022, arxiv.org:2206.00285

- 9. 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
- A. Beznosikov, E. Gorbunov, H. Berard, N. Loizou Stochastic Gradient Descent-Ascent: Unified Theory and New Efficient Methods February 2022, AISTATS 2023, arxiv.org:2202.07262
- 11. 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
- 12. 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

13. 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, arxiv.org:2201.12206

14. A. Beznosikov, M. Takac

Random-reshuffled SARAH does not need a full gradient computations November 2021, **NeurIPS 2021**, poster at workshop on Optimization for Machine Learning

15. 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

16. A. Beznosikov, G. Scutari, A. Rogozin, A. Gasnikov Distributed Saddle-Point Problems Under Similarity

July 2021, NeurIPS 2021, poster at the main conference

17. 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

- 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)
- 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
- 20. 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
- 21. 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
- 22. 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)

- 23. 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)
- 24. A. Beznosikov, V. Samokhin, A. Gasnikov Distributed Saddle-Point Problems: Lower Bounds, Optimal and Robust Algorithms February 2021, Communication Efficient Distributed Optimization Workshop, poster
- A. Rogozin, A. Beznosikov, D. Dvinskikh, D. Kovalev, P. Dvurechensky, A. Gasnikov Decentralized Distributed Optimization for Saddle Point Problems February 2021, arXiv:2102.07758
- 26. 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
- 27. A. Sadiev, A. Beznosikov, P. Dvurechensky, A. Gasnikov Zeroth-Order Algorithms for Smooth Saddle-Point Problems September 2020, MOTOR 2021 (CCIS series)
- 28. A. Bazarova, A. Beznosikov, A. Gasnikov

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

September 2020, Computer Research and Modeling

- 29. A. Beznosikov, A. Sadiev, A. Gasnikov Gradient-Free Methods for Saddle-Point Problem May 2020, MOTOR 2020 (CCIS series)
- 30. A. Beznosikov, S. Horváth, P. Richtárik, M. Safaryan On Biased Compression for Distributed Learning February 2020, NeurIPS 2020, oral talk at workshop on Scalability, Privacy, and Security in Federated Learning
- 31. 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, International conference on the occasion of Boris Mirkin's 80th birthday, Moscow, Russia – 15 min oral talk
- o December 2022, NeurIPS 2022, main conference, online 4 posters
- o November 2022, Fall into ML workshop 2022, Moscow, Russia 15 min oral talk
- o 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
- o 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

- o 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
- o 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
- o November 2019, The 62th MIPT Conference 15 min oral talk, winner
- o November 2017, The 60th MIPT Conference, Moscow, Russia 15 min oral talk, winner

## **RESEARCH VISITS**

- o 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
- o August August 2020, Sirius University of Science and Technology, Sochi, Russia
- o January February 2020, Visual Computing Center, KAUST, Thuwal, Saudi Arabia (worked with Peter Richtárik)

# SCHOLARSHIPS, HONORS AND AWARDS

University 2016 - Present

- 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
- o 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
- 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
- o 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
- o Spring 2020-2021 Increased State Academic Scholarship for 4 year bachelor and master students at MIPT
- o 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
- o 2020 Personal merit scholarship at MIPT
- o Spring 2019-2020 Increased State Academic Scholarship for 4 year bachelor and master students at MIPT
- o 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
- o Fall 2018-2019 Author of problems and organizer of the student olympiad in discrete mathematics
- o 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

- o 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
- o 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

## **TEACHING**

#### Big Data Academy VK group

Teaching assistant

Spring 2023: Optimization in Machine Learning

#### MADE: Big Data Academy Mail.Ru group

Teaching assistant

Spring 2022: Optimization in Machine Learning

Spring 2021: Optimization in Machine Learning

Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology

Teaching assistant at the Department of Mathematical Fundamentals of Control

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

Director, Head of teaching staff

Syktyvkar, Russia

# o Summer school for gifted children from provincial towns and villages

#### REVIEWING

Automatica: 1 paper in 2021.

- o 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)

Moscow, Russia

Feb 2023 - Present

Moscow, Russia

Moscow, Russia

Sep 2017 - Present

Feb 2021 - June 2022

Aug 2018, Aug 2019