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I have created state-of-the-art systems for Machine Learning, Computer Graphics, Computer Vision, and Computational Physics, exploiting hardware via DSL and using contemporary areas of Applied Math and CS. My current focus is Federated Learning, the branch of ML co-invented by my advisor in 2016 1 which will be the next big step of Machine Learning.

My dissertation title is Optimization Methods and Software for Federated Learning. <sup>2</sup>

## **EDUCATION**

2020-Now	Saudi Arabia: Ph.D. program in CEMSE/CS Program at King Abdullah University of Science and Technology.
	Member of Prof. Peter Richtárik's Optimization and Machine Learning Lab inside KAUST AI initiative.
	Awards: Dean's Award 2019, KAUST. Transcript: Link-1. GPA: 3.81/4.0
2015-2019	USA, Stanford : Graduate Non-Degree Program. Transcript : Link-2. GPA : 3.96/4.3
2015-2018	USA, Stanford : Data, Models and Optimization Graduate Certificate Link-3 (Program)
2016 - 2019	USA, Stanford : Artificial Intelligence Graduate Certificate Link-4 (Program)
2003-2009	Russia, Bauman Moscow State Technical University: Master Degree (Bologn process equivalent) in Com-
	puter Science and Control Systems. GPA: Not Applicable/Conversion is needed. (Original scans)
Conferences	Rising Stars in Al Symposium 2023, EMNLP-2022 (Certificate); ICML-2022 (Certificate); ICML-2021 (Certi-
	ficate); NeurIPS-2021 (Certificate); ACM CoNEXT 2021 (Certificate); ACM SIGGRAPH 2012.
Summer Schools	Regularization Methods for ML 2021 (Certificate); The PRAIRIE/MIAI AI summer school 2021 (Certificate);
	Oxford ML Summer School-2021(Certificate); The HSE/MIPT/Sirius Optimization without Border.

## SCIENTIFIC PAPERS

FEDERATED LEARNING WITH REGULARIZED CLIENT PARTICIPATION  Thttps://arxiv.org/abs/2302.03662	2023
Sharper Rates and Flexible Framework for Nonconvex SGD with Client and Data Sampling https://arxiv.org/abs/2206.02275	2022
FEDERATED OPTIMIZATION ALGORITHMS WITH RANDOM RESHUFFLING AND GRADIENT COMPRESSION https://arxiv.org/abs/2206.07021	2022
Sharper Rates and Flexible Framework for Nonconvex SGD with Client and Data Sampling https://arxiv.org/abs/2206.02275	2022
FASTER RATES FOR COMPRESSED FEDERATED LEARNING WITH CLIENT-VARIANCE REDUCTION  https://arxiv.org/abs/2112.13097	2021
FL_PyTorch: Optimization Research Simulator for Federated Learning  https://arxiv.org/abs/2202.03099  https://dl.acm.org/doi/abs/10.1145/3488659.3493775/ Accepted for presentation and proceedings to 2nd ACM International Workshop on Distributed Machine Learning	2021
MARINA: FASTER NON-CONVEX DISTRIBUTED LEARNING WITH COMPRESSION  **Thttps://arxiv.org/abs/2102.07845**  **Thttps://arxiv.org/abs/2102.07845**  **Thttps://proceedings.mlr.press/v139/gorbunov21a.html  **Accepted for presentation and proceedings to Thirty-eighth International Conference on Machine Learning, ICML	2021
Personalized federated learning with communication compression  the https://arxiv.org/abs/2209.05148	2021 – 2022

<sup>1.</sup> Federated Learning: Strategies for Improving Communication Efficiency [J.Konečný, H.B.McMahan, F.X.Yu, P.Richtarik, A.T.Suresh, D.Bacon, NIPS 2016]

<sup>2. 24</sup> October 2022, K. Burlachenko: Obtaining the Status of a Ph.D. candidacy

## \* Presentations

JUNE-2023 SIAM: Conference on Optimization (OP23), USA:

Fl\_PyTorch: Optimization Research Simulator for Federated Learning (link).

MARCH-2023 VCC OPEN HOUSE 2023 event, KSA:

FedNL. Making Newton-Type Methods Applicable to FL. (link).

DEC-2022 EMNLP 2022, Abu Dhabi, UAE: Presenter in KAUST Al Iniative booth.

JULY-2022 Workshop at ACM Symposium on Principles of Distributed Computing, Italy:

MARINA: Faster non-convex distributed learning with compression.

MAR-2022 Rising Stars in Al Symposium KAUST, KSA:

FL\_PyTorch: Optimization Research Simulator for Federated Learning

DEC-2021 ACM DistributedML2021, Rome: FL\_PyTorch: Optimization Research Simulator for Federated Learning.

JULY-2021 Poster and spotlight for in ICML-2021, Virtual:

MARINA Faster Non-Convex Distributed Learning with Compression.

APR-2021 Poster at Communication Efficient Distributed Optimization at NSF-TRIPODS Workshop, Virtual:

MARINA: Faster Non-Convex Distributed Learning with Compression.

FEB-2020 OpenTalks.Al conference, Russia: Huawei technologies for Al developers.

JULY-2019 Educational center Sirius, Russia. Deep Learning Course with D.Kamzolov.

DEC-2018 Moscow Institute of Physics and Technologies, Russia. Guest lectures about subtle things around CART,

Gradient Bossting and Random Forest: Slides: Link. Presentions: Session-#1, Session-#2.

APR-2016 GTC 2016, USA: Presenter in Driveworks NVIDIA booth.

AUG-2012 ACM SIGGRAPH 2012, USA: Presenter in CentiLeo booth.



#### Now September 2022

### Member of Center of Excellence in Data Science and Artificial Intelligence, SDAIA-KAUST AI, KSA

Affiliations are offered to members of the KAUST community who have an outstanding record of achievement in Al related fields with whom center would like to engage in collaboration on specific projects, seminars, workshops. The goal of center is Al research and development of modern technologies in KSA.

Distributed Math Optimization Federated Learning Applied Math Al Machine Learning Compuer Science

#### August 2021

#### Research Scientist Intern (AI) offer, FACEBOOK INC., USA, Menlo Park

After passing competitive interviews I have read several papers that Dr. Hao-Jun Michael Shi has recommended. We had several discussions and we've selected the research topic that is important to the company and at the same time for my Ph.D. The internship has not happened due to the absence of a J1 VISA.

Distributed Math Optimization AI Federated Learning

#### Now September 2020

#### CS Ph.D. candidacy and a member of prof. Peter Richtárik's Optimization and ML Lab, KAUST, KSA

- Narrow area of research is Federated Learning(FL), Stochastic Distributed Math Optimization for Al.
- ▶ Broad area of my scientific interests: Math Optimization, AI, FL, Graphics and Vision, Control.

Distributed Math Optimization Federated Learning Applied Math C/C++ Python Qt PyTorch TF Latex

Computer Vision

#### August 2020 March 2019

#### Principal Lead Engineer | Foundation AI Lab, HUAWEI, Moscow

- ▶ R&D in internal classical Machine Learning and Deep Learning middleware for HUAWEI HiSilicon
- ▶ Present HiSilicon solutions for engineers, scientists working with ML/AI. OpenTalks.AI, HUAWEI News
- ► R&D in internal projects in Machine Learning HUAWEI Consumer Business Group

Math Optimization Al Custome ISA | C/C++ | Python | TVM | Java | Google Protobuf | CMake | Qt | TF | SQL

#### March 2019 July 2014

#### Senior Developer Technology Engineer, NVIDIA, Moscow

- ▶ Driveworks SDK SDK for self-driving cars adopted by automotive partners. Computer vision, machine learning, calibration, egomotion. Implementation and presentation of the modules internally.
- PhysX/Apex SDK An industry standard for game physics simulation, graphical special effects. Internal implementation and communication with extra customers (Blizzard).
- ► cuDNN/cuBLAS libraries GPU computation libraries used by more than 1M customers in machine learning and HPC. Implementation, Documentation, and collaboration with Mathworks.
- RAPIDS GPU based implementation of SkLearn, XgBoost, Pandas. I was resnposible for SkLearn. CUDA GLSL C++ AARCH64 SSE2/ARM NEON Linux Windows PS4 XBox OpenGL Google Tests GitLab

| Perl | Python | CMake | Make | Qt | Git | TensorFlow | Computer Vision | Graphics | Deep Learning | CppCheck |

#### July 2014

#### Senior Developer Engineer | Yandex Video Team, YANDEX, Moscow

- May 2013
- ► Text and statistical machine learning features for Yandex Video Search.
- ▶ Infrastructure for storage and analysis of all web documents with embedded video on the WWW
- ► Infrastructure to show plots for internal team's processes
- C++ | Google Protobuf | JavaScript | Bash | Python | Computer Science | HTML/JS/CSS | SVN | MapReduce | ML |

#### April 2013 March 2012

#### Lead Physics Engine Developer, FITTING REALITY, Moscow

- ▶ Develop library for clothing simulation in CUDA and in OpenCL with facade interface to C++/C#.
- Custom render engine for clothing visualization compatible with OpenGL 1.2. Demo.
- ▶ Prepare elements of the demo to investors. Carry internal MATH/CS/PHYS trainings.
- C++ C OpenGL GLSL Qt Posix WinAPI QMake CUDA OpenCL Physics Graphics gDebugger C#

#### March 2012 September 2010

#### Software Developer Engineer, ACRONIS, Moscow

- ► Key member of GUI team for Acronis Backup and Recovery 2011 Enterprise
  - ▶ Profiling and optimization of the codebase working in user/kernel space for Windows OS.

C++ C WinAPI WinDbg VmWare Specialized GUI library SysInternals CppCheck ASM x86 AqTime

#### September 2010 March 2009

#### Senior Software Developer Engineer, CAPITAL RESEARCH, Moscow

- ▶ Developed Firefox plugin to create the three-dimensional HTML view for basics HTML elements.
- ► The startup terminated. CEO Kirill Garanzha can provide information about my work.

Firefox C++ WinAPI HTML/JS/CSS Windows OpenGL GLSL SVN

#### June 2009 December 2006

#### C++ Programming Engineer, FLINT AND CO, Moscow

- ► Created several computer games with computer vision and graphics part, hardware drivers.
- ► Spent time on factory floors to test and analyze the quality of my solutions. Carry trips to customers.

  C++ | SDL | Posix | WinApi | Development Image Library | Low level programming | Computer Vision | OpenGL | SVN

#### November 2006 March 2006

#### C++ Programming Engineer (Part time work), ASTRASOFT TECHNOLOGY, Moscow

▶ Developed visual elements of management system based on Qt and OpenGL.

C++ Qt Windows OpenGL SVN

## Selected Personal And Academic Projects

#### MATH OPTIMIZATION RESEARCH STUDIO 2020 🗹 Project report - Math Optimizaiton Research Studio 🖸 Description 🖸 Bitbucket repo CS380: Math Optimization Research Studio. C++ Linux Windows CUDA CMake Dot Google Test Python Bash EXPERIMENTAL NEURAL NET FRAMEWORK 2019 ☑ Report.CS230 - 2019 ☑ Poster CS230 - 2019 ☑ bitbucket repo ☑ Presentation CS230': Experimental Neural Net Framework. Mentor: Steven Z. Chen(stevenzc@stanford.edu) C++ Linux Windows CUDA Python CMake CONVEX OPTIMIZATION SOLVERS WITH LEVERAGING INTO GPU/CPU POWER FOR AI/ML 2018 Poster CS221 - 2018 Bitbucket repo CS221: Convex optimization solvers with leveraging into GPU/CPU power for AI/ML. Mentor: Steven Diamond C++ Linux Windows CUDA Python CMake Convex Optimization CONVEX OPTIMIZATION FOR MACHINE LEARNING 2017 ☑ Poster CS229 - 2017. ☑ Presentation Stanford, CS229: Convex Optimization for Machine Learning C++ Visual Studio Numerical Linear Algebra Convex Optimization Python CMake PLOTTER++. STANDALONE TOOL FOR PLOT IMAGES, GRAPHS, POINT CLOUDS, TEXT LOGS VIA OBTAINING DATA FROM TCP/IP 2017 An advanced scientific plotter tool suitable to use in connection with embedded systems. C++ Linux Windows Embedded Systems Qt Python LANE DETECTION USING FOURIER BASED LINE DETECTOR 2016 Report Presentation Lane detection from input videostream.

Matlab

## TECHNICAL NOTES

TECHNICAL NOTE. FROM C++1998 TO C++2020

2022

🖸 github.com/burlachenkok/CPP\_from\_1998\_to\_2020/blob/main/Cpp-Technical-Note.md 🛮 🗗 Short Information The technical note is dedicated for all primary C++ programming language standards: C++03/98/11/14/17/20. It has been provided to AMD Inc. internal education web portal.

## **COMPETENCES**

General Programming Languages that I have used DSL Programming Languages that I have used

Frameworks

C89/C99, C++20/11/03, C#, Python, Cython, Bash, Perl, x86/ARM, Java

Qt, CUDA, WinApi, Posix, OpenGL, OpenCL, PyTorch, TensorFlow, CvxPy

Operating Systems

**Development Environments** 

General purpose development tools Markup and Type Languages

Areas of interest

Gl SL, TVM, Google Protobuf, CUDA, OpenCL, Matlab, R, SQL

Windows, Linux based, Orbis, XBox, Android, NDA OS-es

QtCreator, Visual Studio, Eclipse, WinDbg, Android Studio, TexStudio, Nsight SysInternals, AgTime, Cmake, GNU Toolchain, CppCheck, Valgrind, Git, QMake

Latex, HTML, XML, Markdown

Federated Learning, Stochastic Distributed Math Optimization, Al, Computer Vision, Statistical/Machine Learning, System Programming, GPU Programming, Convex/Non Convex Math Optimization, Differential Privacy, Computer Graphics, Computational Physics, Datamining, Distributed Systems.

The Candidate Master in chess by FIDE. (My FIDE profile). Sport achievements

## 66 REFERENCES

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