# **Dmitry Kovalev**

# PERSONAL DATA

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#### EDUCATION

2014-2018 BS in Applied Mathematics and Physics

Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology, Dolgoprudny, Russia

Advisor: Alexander Gasnikov

2018-2019 MS in Computer Science

King Abdullah University of Science and Technology, Thuwal, Saudi Arabia

Advisor: Peter Richtárik

2018-2021 MS in Applied Mathematics and Physics

Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology, Dolgoprudny, Russia

Advisor: Alexander Gasnikov

2019-Now PhD in Computer Science

King Abdullah University of Science and Technology, Thuwal, Saudi Arabia

Advisor: Peter Richtárik

#### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Optimization Algorithms Distributed Optimization Machine Learning

## SKILLS

PROGRAMMING C/C++, Python; PAST EXPERIENCE: Go, C#, VB.NET, SQL, Julia

COMPUTER macOS, LaTeX, Git

MATHEMATICS Calculus, Linear Algebra, Probability and Statistics, Convex Analysis

## LANGUAGES

ENGLISH Advanced Knowledge RUSSIAN Mothertongue

### Honors and Awards

- CEMSE Student Research Excellence Award, King Abdullah University of Science and Technology, 2021
- 2. Best Student Paper Award at FL-ICML 2021 Workshop
- 3. **Ilya Segalovich Scientific Prize for Young Researchers 2021**, Yandex (highly selective: only 4 winners from Russia, Belarus, Kazakhstan)
- 4. **Annual PhD progress marked as Outstanding**, King Abdullah University of Science and Technology, 2019-2021
- 5. **Ilya Segalovich Scientific Prize for Young Researchers 2020**, Yandex (highly selective: only 9 winners from Russia, Belarus, Kazakhstan)
- 6. **Dean's Award**, given to top students accepted to King Abdullah University of Science and Technology, 2018
- 7. Abramov's Fund Scholarship for Excellence in Study, Moscow Institute of Physics and

- Technology, 2015-2017
- 8. **Asian Physics Olympiad (APhO) 2014, Honourable Mention**, Singapore (participated as a member of Russian national team)
- 9. Russian President's Scholarship for High School Sudents, given for prize-winning at final round of All-Russian School Olympiads, 2012-2014
- 10. **Moscow Governor's Scholarship for High School Sudents**, given for prize-winning at region and final rounds of All-Russian School Olympiads, 2012-2014
- 11. All-Russian School Physics Olympiad, Final Round Prize-Winner, Saint-Petersburg, 2014
- 12. All-Russian School Programming Olympiad, Region Round Winner, Moscow, 2014
- 13. All-Russian School Math Olympiad, Region Round Winner, Moscow, 2014
- 14. All-Russian School Physics Olympiad, Final Round Winner, Vladivostok, 2013
- 15. All-Russian School Physics Olympiad, Final Round Prize-Winner, Saransk, 2012

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

- Lower Bounds and Optimal Algorithms for Smooth and Strongly Convex Decentralized Optimization Over Time-Varying Networks (Dmitry Kovalev, Elnur Gasanov, Peter Richtarik, Alexander Gasnikov), NeurIPS 2021
- 2. An Optimal Algorithm for Strongly Convex Minimization under Affine Constraints (Adil Salim, Laurent Condat, Dmitry Kovalev, Peter Richtarik), AISTATS 2022
- 3. ADOM: Accelerated Decentralized Optimization Method for Time-Varying Networks (Dmitry Kovalev, Egor Shulgin, Peter Richtarik, Alexander Rogozin, Alexander Gasnikov), *ICML* 2021
- 4. IntSGD: Floatless Compression of Stochastic Gradients (Konstantin Mishchenko, Bokun Wang, Dmitry Kovalev, Peter Richtarik), ICLR 2022
- 5. A Linearly Convergent Algorithm for Decentralized Optimization: Sending Less Bits for Free! (Dmitry Kovalev, Anastasia Koloskova, Martin Jaggi, Peter Richtarik, Sebastian U. Stich), AISTATS 2021
- 6. **Linearly Converging Error Compensated SGD** (Eduard Gorbunov, Dmitry Kovalev, Dmitry Makarenko, Peter Richtarik), *NeurIPS 2020*
- 7. Optimal and Practical Algorithms for Smooth and Strongly Convex Decentralized Optimization (Dmitry Kovalev, Adil Salim, Peter Richtarik), NeurIPS 2020
- 8. From Local SGD to Local Fixed Point Methods for Federated Learning (Grigory Malinovsky, Dmitry Kovalev, Elnur Gasanov, Laurent Condat, Peter Richtarik), ICML 2020
- 9. Acceleration for Compressed Gradient Descent in Distributed and Federated Optimization (Zhize Li, Dmitry Kovaley, Xun Qian, Peter Richtarik), ICML 2020
- Variance Reduced Coordinate Descent with Acceleration: New Method With a Surprising Application to Finite-Sum Problems (Filip Hanzely, Dmitry Kovalev, Peter Richtarik), ICML 2020
- 11. Stochastic Newton and Cubic Newton Methods with Simple Local Linear-Quadratic Rates (Dmitry Kovalev, Konstantin Mishchenko, Peter Richtarik), NeurIPS 2019 Workshop
- 12. Stochastic Proximal Langevin Algorithm: Potential Splitting and Nonasymptotic Rates (Adil Salim, Dmitry Kovalev, Peter Richtarik), NeurIPS 2019
- 13. **Revisiting Stochastic Extragradient** (Konstantin Mishchenko, Dmitry Kovalev, Egor Shulgin, Peter Richtarik, Yura Malitsky), *AISTATS 2020*

- 14. **RSN: Randomized Subspace Newton** (Robert M. Gower, Dmitry Kovalev, Felix Lieder, Peter Richtarik), *NeurIPS 2019*
- 15. Don't Jump Through Hoops and Remove Those Loops: SVRG and Katyusha are Better Without the Outer Loop (Dmitry Kovalev, Samuel Horvath, Peter Richtarik), ALT 2020
- 16. A hypothesis about the rate of global convergence for optimal methods (Newton's type) in smooth convex optimization (Alexander Gasnikov, Dmitry Kovalev), Computer Research and Modeling
- 17. Stochastic Spectral and Conjugate Descent Methods (Dmitry Kovalev, Eduard Gorbunov, Elnur Gasanov, Peter Richtarik), NeurIPS 2018

## **PREPRINTS**

- 1. **Optimal Algorithms for Decentralized Stochastic Variational Inequalities** (Dmitry Kovalev, Aleksandr Beznosikov, Abdurakhmon Sadiev, Michael Persiianov, Peter Richtarik, Alexander Gasnikov), *arXiv preprint (February 2022)*
- 2. Accelerated Primal-Dual Gradient Method for Smooth and Convex-Concave Saddle-Point Problems with Bilinear Coupling (Dmitry Kovalev, Alexander Gasnikov, Peter Richtarik), arXiv preprint (December 2021)
- 3. Near-Optimal Decentralized Algorithms for Saddle Point Problems over Time-Varying Networks (Aleksandr Beznosikov, Alexander Rogozin, Dmitry Kovalev, Alexander Gasnikov), arXiv preprint (July 2021)
- 4. **Decentralized Distributed Optimization for Saddle Point Problems** (Alexander Rogozin, Alexander Beznosikov, Darina Dvinskikh, Dmitry Kovalev, Pavel Dvurechensky, Alexander Gasnikov), *arXiv preprint (February 2021)*
- 5. Towards Accelerated Rates for Distributed Optimization over Time-varying Networks (Alexander Rogozin, Vladislav Lukoshkin, Alexander Gasnikov, Dmitry Kovalev, Egor Shulgin), arXiv preprint (September 2020)
- 6. **Fast Linear Convergence of Randomized BFGS** (Dmitry Kovalev, Robert M. Gower, Peter Richtarik, Alexander Rogozin), *arXiv preprint (February 2020)*
- 7. Distributed Fixed Point Methods with Compressed Iterates (Selim Chraibi, Ahmed Khaled, Dmitry Kovalev, Peter Richtarik, Adil Salim, Martin Takac), arXiv preprint (December 2019)
- 8. Accelerated methods for composite non-bilinear saddle point problem (Mohammad Alkousa, Darina Dvinskikh, Fedor Stonyakin, Alexander Gasnikov, Dmitry Kovalev), arXiv preprint (December 2019)
- 9. Stochastic Distributed Learning with Gradient Quantization and Variance Reduction (Samuel Horvath, Dmitry Kovalev, Konstantin Mishchenko, Peter Richtarik, Sebastian U. Stich), arXiv preprint (April 2019)

# **CONFERENCE POSTERS AND TALKS**

- Talk/Poster: Lower Bounds and Optimal Algorithms for Smooth and Strongly Convex Decentralized Optimization Over Time-Varying Networks, NeurlPS 2021, Online (December 2021)
- 2. Talk/Poster: Lower Bounds and Optimal Algorithms for Smooth and Strongly Convex Decentralized Optimization Over Time-Varying Networks, International Workshop on Federated Learning for User Privacy and Data Confidentiality in Conjunction with ICML 2021, Online (July 2021)
- 3. Talk/Poster: ADOM: Accelerated Decentralized Optimization Method for Time-Varying Networks, ICML 2021, Online (July 2021)

- 4. Talk/Poster: A Linearly Convergent Algorithm for Decentralized Optimization: Sending Less Bits for Free!, AISTATS 2021, Online (April 2021)
- 5. **Poster: Linearly Converging Error Compensated SGD**, *NeurIPS 2020*, Online (December 2020)
- 6. Talk/Poster: Optimal and Practical Algorithms for Smooth and Strongly Convex Decentralized Optimization, NeurIPS 2020, Online (December 2020)
- 7. Talk: Variance Reduced Coordinate Descent with Acceleration: New Method With a Surprising Application to Finite-Sum Problems, ICML 2020, Online (July 2020)
- 8. Poster: RSN: Randomized Subspace Newton, NeurIPS 2019, Vancouver, Canada (December 2019)
- 9. Poster: Stochastic Proximal Langevin Algorithm: Potential Splitting and Nonasymptotic Rates, *NeurIPS 2019*, Vancouver, Canada (December 2019)
- 10. Talk: Revisiting Stochastic Extragradient Method, International Conference on Continuous Optimization 2019, Technical University, Berlin, Germany (August 2019)
- Poster: Stochastic Distributed Learning with Gradient Quantization and Variance Reduction, Data Science Summer School 2019, Ecole Polytechnique, Paris, France (June 2019)
- 12. Poster: Stochastic Distributed Learning with Gradient Quantization and Variance Reduction, *Traditional School (Control, Information and Optimization)*, Higher School of Economics Study Center, Voronovo, Russia (June 2019)
- 13. Talk: Stochastic Spectral Descent Methods, Weekly Seminar «Automatic control and Optimization Theory», Institute for Control Problems, Moscow, Russia (March 2019)
- 14. Talk: Stochastic Distributed Learning with Gradient Quantization and Variance Reduction, Seminar «Modern Optimization Methods», Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology, Moscow, Russia (March 2019)
- 15. **Poster: Stochastic Spectral Descent Methods**, *NeurIPS 2018*, Montreal, Canada (December 2018)
- 16. **Poster: Stochastic Spectral Descent Methods**, *Optimization and Big Data Workshop*, King Abdullah University of Science and Technology, Thuwal, Saudi Arabia (June 2018)
- 17. **Poster: Stochastic Spectral Descent Methods**, *Traditional School (Control, Information and Optimization)*, Higher School of Economics Study Center, Voronovo, Russia (February 2018)

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