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Research interests: (research statement (2019): link)

- Areas: microeconomic theory, information economics, economic design, fair division, algorithmic game theory, dynamic games
- Methods: probability theory, majorization theory, duality, and optimal transport

Experience:

- 2021—2023, Caltech (USA):
 - postdoc at Linde institute hosted by Omer Tamuz
- 2018—2021, **Technion** (Israel):
 - postdoc at Game Theory group (dept. of Industrial Engineering and Management)
 - member of Mechanism Design for Data Science group of Moshe Tennenholtz
- 2015—2022, National Research University Higher School of Economics (Russia):
 - senior researcher (remote since 2018) at International Laboratory of Game Theory and Decision Making of Herve Moulin and Anna Bogomolnaia
 - head of the laboratory (2017—2018)
- 2012-2015, St. Petersburg State University, dept. of Mathematics and Mechanics (Russia):
 - researcher at Chebyshev Laboratory of Stanislav Smirnov

Education:

- Economics & Game-theory:
 - Ph.D. (Candidate of Sciences) in math. methods of economics, 2014,
 Central Economics and Mathematics Institute, Russian Academy of Sciences
 Thesis: "The value of information in repeated games"
 Advisers: Victor Domansky, Ernst Presman

• Mathematics:

Master Degree in Mathematical Physics, 2011,
 Department of physics, St.Petersburg State University

Papers:

Working papers:

- Private private information (with Kevin He and Omer Tamuz) featured at EC'22 slides (EC'22)
- Persuasion as transportation (with Itai Arieli and Yakov Babichenko) featured at EC'22 slides (EC'22)
- Beckmann's approach to multi-item multi-bidder auctions (with Alexander Kolesnikov, Aleh Tsyvinski, and Alexander P. Zimin) slides (Bonn)
- Bayesian persuasion with mediators (with Itai Arieli and Yakov Babichenko)
- Efficiency in random resource allocation and social choice (with Federico Echenique and Joseph Root)
- On social networks that support learning (with Itai Arieli and Rann Smorodinsky) R&R in *Journal of Economic Theory (JET)*, featured at EC'21 slides (Cornell), talk (CMID2020)
- Algorithms for competitive division of chores (with Simina Brânzei) R&R in *Mathematics of Operations Research* slides (Tel-Aviv CS)

Main publications:

- Feasible joint posterior beliefs (with Itai Arieli, Yakov Babichenko, and Omer Tamuz)
 Journal of Political Economy (JPE), 2021, 129(9)
 EC2020 best paper award (link)
 slides, EC talk, poster, 1min talk
 popular version published in SIGecom Exchanges
- Competitive division of a mixed manna (with A. Bogomolnaia, H. Moulin, E. Yanovskaya)
 Econometrica, 2017, 85(6):1847-1871
 slides (HUJI)
- A simple online fair division problem (with Anna Bogomolnaia and Herve Moulin) *Management Science*, 2022, 68(2):1174-1194 slides (URochester)
- Fair division with minimal sharing (with Erel Segal-Halevi) *Operations Research*, 2022, 70(3):1293-1952, slides (Caltech)

Other publications:

- Representative Committees of Peers (with Reshef Meir and Moshe Tennenholtz)
 Journal of Artificial Intelligence Research (JAIR), 2021, 71:401–429
- Protecting the protected group: circumventing harmful fairness (with Omer Ben-Porat and Moshe Tennenholtz)
 - proceedings of AAAI-21 (The Thirty-Fifth AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence), 2021
- A polynomial-time algorithm for computing a Pareto optimal and almost proportional allocation (with Haris Aziz and Herve Moulin)

 $\textbf{\textit{Operations Research Letters}, 2020, 48} (5):573-578$

- Dividing bads under additive utilities (with A. Bogomolnaia, H. Moulin, E. Yanovskaya) Social Choice and Welfare, 2019, 52(3):395-417
- On repeated zero-sum games with incomplete information and asymptotically bounded values *Dynamic Games and Applications*, 2018, 8(1):180-198
- Repeated games of incomplete information with large sets of states *International Journal of Game Theory*, 2014, 43(4):767-789
- An exact renormalization formula for the Maryland model (with Alexander Fedotov) Communications in Mathematical Physics, 2015, 334(2):1083-1099
- Variation of measure-valued martingales and repeated games with incomplete information
 Doklady Mathematics (English translations of Proceedings of the Russian Academy of Sciences),
 2012, 86:796-798

Additional training:

• 2015-2017: Advanced training in Computer Science at CS center in St.Petersburg specialization: theoretical computer science Programming skills: C++, Matlab/Octave, Python

• Summer schools:

- COST IC1205 Summer School on Computational Social Choice (San Sebastian, 2016)
- The 28th Jerusalem School in Economic Theory: mechanism design (2017)
- The Workshop on soft skills for teaching and research by William Thomson (2018)
- The 3rd Jerusalem School in Computer Science and Engineering on Blockchains and Cryptocurrencies (2018)
- Schools on computational aspects of fair division (organizer, see below)

Teaching and supervision (teaching statement: link)

• Courses taught

- Algorithmic Economics (CS/SS/EC149), Caltech, 2021, detailed lecture notes
 - * developed from scratch 20-lecture introduction to modern economic Design for grads & undergrads with CS & Math background
- "Games with incomplete information and information design," minicourse co-taught with Rann Smorodinsky, Technion, 2020
- "Introduction to mechanism design," a course developed and co-taught with Alexander Nesterov, Higher School of Economics, 2017
- practice in Probability, Calculus 1, Algebra 1, St. Petersburg State University, 2013-2014

• Tutorials and surveys

- "Methods of Optimal Transport in Bayesian Persuasion & Auctions," HSE 2021, slides
- "One open problem in Bayesian communication," open problem session at "Dynamics and Information Workshop," TAU, 2020, slides
- "Appeal and challenges of competitive approach to fair resource allocation" tutorial co-taught with Vasilis Gkatzelis at "De Aequa Divisione" workshop on fair division, LUISS, 2019, my slides
- "Modern approaches to Fair Division", a tutorial at "Imperfect Markets: Collusion, Networks, and Crowdfunding" workshop, New Economic School, 2017

• Supervision, mentorship, and outreach

- Mentor at "Mentorship workshop", EC'22
- Supervisor
 - * Egor Kravchenko (math dept. SPbSU), undergrad project "Belief covariance: tight bounds", 2022
 - * Yulia Ibragimova (HSE)
 - · undergrad thesis "Competitive market mechanisms for fair division of indivisible goods", featured at COMSOC 2016
 - · master thesis "Online Procurement Auctions up to 500 Thousand Rubles: Participants Behavior Patterns at Micro and Macro levels", 2018
 - * Alisa Maricheva (HSE), master thesis, "Fair division of indivisible goods with or without money transfers", 2018
- Committee member at Ph.D. defense of Zijian Tao, Caltech, 2022
- Gave multiple series of popular lectures on Game Theory and Economic Design for undergrads and gifted secondary-school students (2015-2018)

Service

- **Program committee** of EC'19, EC' 20, EC'21, EC'22 (ACM Conferences on Economics and Computation), WINE 2021 (Conference on Web and Internet Economics)
- Organizing and program committee of conferences
 - "New Directions in Social Choice in St. Petersburg", HSE, 2021
 - "Economic Design and Algorithms in St.Petersburg", HSE, 2019
 - "Algorithmic aspects of Social Choice and Auctions", HSE, 2018
 - "Advances in Fair Division", August 9-11, HSE, 2017
 - "Game Theory and Mechanism Design", in memory of Victor Domansky, HSE, 2016.

and schools

- "Game Theory: Applications, Networks, Emotions", HSE, 2019
- "Computational Social Choice and Fair Division", HSE, 2016
- "Fair Division: Between Economics, Mathematics and Computer Science", HSE, 2017
- Russian Game Theory Olympiad: organizing (2018) and program committee (2018–2021)
- Victoria Kreps memorial prize for young game theorists and theoretical economists: organizing and award committee.
- Reviewing for Journal of Economic Theory, Theoretical Economics, Games and Economic Behavior, American Economic Journal: Microeconomics, Economic Theory, Social Choice and Welfare, Mathematics of Operations Research, European Journal of Operations Research, German-Israeli Foundation for Scientific Research and Development, Israel Science Foundation, STOC 2019, SODA 2020

Grants and awards

- Grants where I was the principal investigator
 - RFBR 19-01-00762, "Cardinal mechanisms for resource allocation"
 - RFBR 16-01-00269, "Asymptotic problems of game theory"

- RFBR 13-01-00462, "Game-theoretic analysis of multistage social and economic interactions with asymmetrically informed agents and variability of beliefs during Bayesian learning"

• Awards

- B.L. Ovsievich prize (2013) for research on repeated games with incomplete information
- V. Deych fund prize (2009) for outstanding undergrad thesis in mathematical physics
- 2008-2011: Several prizes (from first to third), Annual Math Olympiad for Russian students

Consulting & applied projects

bidding strategy in procurement auctions, incentives in block-chain technologies, payment design at crowd-sourcing platforms, artificial intelligence for automatic collusion/corruption detection

Visits

- University of Chicago, Econ. dept, hosted by Joseph Root, February 2022
- Stanford MS&E, hosted by Itai Ashlagi, December 2019
- Caltech (California Institute of Technology), hosted by Omer Tamuz, December 2019
- University of Rochester, hosted by William Thomson, September 2018
- University of Glasgow, hosted by Herve Moulin and Anna Bogomolnaia, Jan. 2016 and Feb. 2017
- Hebrew University of Jerusalem, hosted by Avi Shmida, November 2017

References

Omer Tamuz	Federico Echenique	Herve Moulin	Aleh Tsyvinski
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