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## **EDUCATION**

### **Technical University of Munich**

Oct 2020 - Present

TopMath: Elite Master's and Doctoral Programme in Mathematics (Current grade 1.0/1.0)

Research-oriented fast-track graduate program including 15 ECTS in independent research

Relevant coursework: Stochastic Processes, Gaussian Processes in Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Foundations of Data

Analysis, Mathematical Statistics, Introduction to Digital Signal Processing

Master's thesis (ongoing): Robustness Guarantees for Low-rank Matrix Recovery with Adversarial Noise

**Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich** 

BSc Mathematics (Final grade: 1.0/1.0)

Oct 2017 - Aug 2020

Bachelor's thesis: Construction of Orthonormal Wavelet Systems (with Prof. Peter Müller)

Minor subject (30 ECTS): Biology

BSc Biology

Oct 2016 - Oct 2017

Focus on dynamical systems and computational neuroscience. Transferred to BSc in Mathematics in 2017

Studienkolleg Munich

Sep 2015 - Jul 2016

Grade: 1.0/1.0

Completion of secondary school education for international applicants coming from a shorter school system

Gymnasium Nr. 1583

Sep 2009 - Jul 2015

Grade: 5.0/5.0

Moscow, Russia

Secondary school education

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### **Technical University of Munich**

Munich, Germany Jul 2022 - Present

Research Assistant

- Conducted research on robustness of inverse problems under adversarial noise under supervision of Prof. Felix Krahmer
- Developed improved bounds for the reconstruction error of low-rank matrices under adversarial noise
- Coauthor of preliminary results presented at the conference Mathematics of Complex Data in Stockholm
- Part of the DFG-funded Priority Program Theoretical Foundations of Deep Learning (FoDL)
- Member of the Munich Center for Machine Learning (MCML)

## Fraunhofer Institute for Integrated Circuits IIS

Erlangen, Germany Nov 2020 - Jun 2022

- Student Researcher
- Worked in a team of three on neural network models for speech extraction under supervision of Prof. Emanuël Habets
- Adapted and trained DNNs for brain-informed speaker extraction on electroencephalography data in PyTorch
- Implemented EEG-driven classifiers of talker identity and speech direction in Python and MATLAB
- Coauthor of the talk "Decoding attended talker solely from listening-state EEG signals" presented at the VoiceID 2022 conference in Zurich

#### LMU Mathematical Institute

Munich, Germany

Tutor in Advanced Calculus, Measure Theory and Integration

Apr 2019 - Aug 2020

• Taught weekly classes, developed solutions to problem sheets, graded assignments and exams over 3 semesters

## **Bernstein Center for Computational Neuroscience**

Student Researcher

Munich, Germany Sep 2017 - Oct 2018

- Conducted research on neural mechanisms of spatial orientation in a team of two under supervision of **Prof. Andreas Herz**
- Investigated the role of bursts in grid cell spike trains using generalized linear models
- Performed data analysis of spike trains and grid cell firing fields in Python and MATLAB

## **CONFERENCE TALKS AND POSTERS**

#### **KU-LMU-TUM Joint Seminar on Mathematics of Data Science**

Munich, Germany

Presented results in the talk "Robustness Guarantees for Blind Deconvolution via Nuclear Norm Minimization"

Nov 2022

#### Approximation and Geometry in High Dimensions 2022

Bedlewo, Poland

Presented results in the talk "Robustness Guarantees for Low-rank Matrix Recovery with Adversarial Noise"

Oct 2022

### Bernstein Conference for Computational Neuroscience 2018

Berlin, Germany

Poster "Differentiating Temporal Aspects of Grid-Cell Activity with Generalized Linear Models"

Sep 2018

## 2017 Amgen Scholars Europe Symposium

• Poster "Exploring Grid Cell Spiking with a Generalized Linear Model"

Cambridge, UK Sep 2017

## PROJECTS AND SUMMER SCHOOLS

## **Lisbon Machine Learning School 2022**

Lisbon, Portugal

• Completed assignments, participated in discussions on natural language processing, sequence models and causality 

Jul 2022

Science Hack 2021 Munich, Germany

• Infineon Radar Challenge: Developed best-performing traffic object classifier from radar data in a team of 5

Apr 2021

**Utrecht Summer School on Dynamical Systems** 

Utrecht, Netherlands

• Completed a MATLAB simulation of delay differential equations in a team of two

Jul 2019

**Amgen Scholars Programme** 

Munich, Germany / Cambridge, UK Jun 2017 - Sep 2017

Research Intern in Computational Neuroscience

• Modelled stochastic behavior of space-modulated neurons in Python and MATLAB

• Mentor of the 2022 Munich Amgen cohort

**SKILLS** 

**Programming experience** Python (incl. PyTorch, Tensorflow), MATLAB, R, C++

Languages German (native), English (TOEFL iBT 120/120), Russian (native)

**AWARDS** 

Max Weber Scholarship for gifted students

Apr 2018 - present

• Received financial and educational support based on academic merit and extracurricular activities

• Co-organized the Mathematical Symposium for scholars and mentors

• Participated in multiple soft skill seminars and summer schools, including "Multivariate Approximation with Radial Basis Functions"

**Russian Student Olympiad** 

2015

• First Prize in German Language, Second Prize in Biology in the final round

**VOLUNTEERING** 

Corona School e.V. Sep 2020 - Apr 2021

• Tutored students from disadvantaged backgrounds during the online school period of the coronavirus pandemic

Peer-to-Peer Mentoring LMU

Nov 2020 - Apr 2021

Assisted three first semester students in mathematics with their start at university