

# Mher Safaryan | Curriculum Vitae

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## Education

- ✉ **Ph.D. in Mathematics** **Yerevan State University**  
*Department of Mathematics, Chair of Theory of Functions* *2015–2018*  
*Thesis:* On estimates for maximal operators associated with tangential regions
- **M.Sc. in Mathematics** **Yerevan State University**  
*Department of Mathematics, Chair of Theory of Functions* *2013–2015*  
*Thesis:* Some generalizations of theorems of Fatou and Littlewood
- **B.Sc. in Mathematics** **Yerevan State University**  
*Department of Mathematics and Mechanics* *2009–2013*  
*Thesis:* Some properties of convergent and divergent convolution type operators
- **High school student** **Quantum, Yerevan**  
*Mathematics-Physics flow* *2007–2009*

## Experience

- **Postdoctoral fellow** **KAUST, Saudi Arabia**  
*King Abdullah University of Science & Technology (KAUST)* *Oct 2019–present*  
*Visual Computing Center (VCC)*  
*Optimization for Machine Learning, advisor: Prof. Peter Richtárik*
- **Research Technician** **KAUST, Saudi Arabia**  
*King Abdullah University of Science & Technology (KAUST)*  
*Computer, Electrical and Mathematical Sciences & Engineering (CEMSE) Division*  
*KAUST SRI, Center for Uncertainty Quantification in Computational Science and Engineering*  
*Computer Algebra for Differential Equations* *Nov 2016–Oct 2019*  
*Automation of symbolic PDE analysis with Wolfram Mathematica, advisor: Prof. Diogo Gomes*
  - Finding conservation and dissipation laws for a system of time-dependent evolution equations,
  - Symbolic methods for overdetermined systems of linear PDEs with free parameters.  
*[collaboration] Big Data Optimization in Machine Learning* *Jan 2019–Oct 2019*  
*Stochastic optimization methods, advisor: Prof. Peter Richtárik*
- **Junior Researcher** **Yerevan, Armenia**  
*Institute of Mathematics of National Academy of Sciences* *Aug 2014–Dec 2017*  
*July 2018–June 2019*  
  
*Real Analysis Department, advisor: Prof. Grigori Karagulyan*  
*Harmonic Analysis: Real-variable Methods, Orthogonality, and Oscillatory Integrals*
  - Convergence regions of integral operators of convolution type
  - Differentiation of integrals in  $\mathbb{R}^n$

- Search Engine Developer**

  - *Teamable Software*

Working extensively on data quality and all aspects of search engine in the product. Building intelligent, advanced and scalable search engine with Apache Solr.

  - Processing, cleaning and regularizing data
  - Extending company's data with third party sources of information
  - Enhancing data collection procedures to include information relevant to search improvements
  - Programming with python using its libraries for data analysis such as Scikit-learn, Natural Language Toolkit (NLTK), SciPy (IPython, NumPy, SymPy, Pandas, Matplotlib), etc
  - Optimizing the indexing process and querying engine
  - Creating customized search types, including synonym search and boolean search
  - Incessantly improving search quality and performance based on the data analysis

**Yerevan, Armenia**

*Apr 2014–Nov 2016*
  
- Assistant Teacher of Olympiad Mathematics**

  - *Quantum, Yerevan*

**Yerevan, Armenia**

*2011–2012*
  
- Internships**.....
  
- Internship Student**

  - *King Abdullah University of Science & Technology (KAUST)*

*Computer, Electrical and Mathematical Science and Engineering (CEMSE) Division*

*Automation of basic operations in analysis of PDEs using Wolfram Mathematica: variational derivative of a functional, integration by parts, generating polynomials with respect to certain symmetry groups and simplifying integral identities.*

**Thuwal, Saudi Arabia**

*2016, April–June*
  
- Visiting Student**

  - *Hausdorff Research Institute for Mathematics (HIM)*

*Winter School on Advances in Mathematics of Signal Processing*

**Bonn, Germany**

*2016, Jan 11–15*
  
- Web Programming Intern**

  - *Instigate Training Center, Instigate Mobile CJSC*

**Yerevan, Armenia**

*Oct 2012–Jul 2013*

## Publications

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- Preprints**.....
- ☞ *Optimal Gradient Compression for Distributed and Federated Learning*, arXiv:2010.03246, 2020  
Alyazeed Albasyoni, Mher Safaryan, Laurent Condat, Peter Richtárik
  - ☞ *On Biased Compression for Distributed Learning*, arXiv:2002.12410, 2020  
Aleksandr Beznosikov, Samuel Horváth, Peter Richtárik, Mher Safaryan
  - ☞ *Uncertainty Principle for Communication Compression in Distributed and Federated Learning and the Search for an Optimal Compressor*, arXiv:2002.08958, 2020  
Mher Safaryan, Egor Shulgin, Peter Richtárik
  - ☞ *A surprisingly effective algorithm for the simplification of integrals and sums arising in the partial differential equations and numerical methods*, preprint, 2020  
Diogo A. Gomes, Mher Safaryan, Ricardo de Lima Ribeiro, Mohammed Sayyari
  - ☞ *On Stochastic Sign Descent Methods*, arXiv:1905.12938, 2019  
Mher Safaryan, Peter Richtárik

## Journal papers.....

- ☞ *On Generalizations of Fatou's Theorem in  $L^p$  for Convolution Integrals with General Kernels*, J. Geom. Anal., 2020  
Mher Safaryan
- ☞ *On an equivalency of rare differentiation bases of rectangles*, Journal of Contemporary Math. Anal., Vol. 53, No. 1, pp. 57-61, 2018.  
Mher Safaryan
- ☞ *On a theorem of Littlewood*, Hokkaido Math J., Volume 46, Number 1, 87-106, 2017  
Grigori Karagulyan, Mher Safaryan
- ☞ *On an equivalency of differentiation basis of dyadic rectangles*, Colloquium Mathematicum 146, 295-307, 2017  
Grigori Karagulyan, Davit Karagulyan, Mher Safaryan
- ☞ *On generalizations of Fatou's theorem for the integrals with general kernels*, J. Geom. Anal., Volume 25, Issue 3, pp 1459-1475, 2014  
Grigori Karagulyan, Mher Safaryan
- ☞ *Construction of free  $g$ -dimonoids*, Algebra Discrete Math., Volume 18, Issue 1, 138–148, 2014  
Yuri Movsisyan, Sergey Davidov, Mher Safaryan

## Conferences

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- ☞ *A package for symbolic PDE analysis*  
Mean Field Games and Applications, November 26-27, 2018, KAUST, Saudi Arabia.  
D. A. Gomes, M. H. Safaryan
- *A package for symbolic PDE analysis*  
European Wolfram Technology Conference, July 19-20, 2017, Amsterdam, The Netherlands.  
D. A. Gomes, M. H. Safaryan
- ☞ *On theorems of Fatou and Littlewood*  
International Conference, Harmonic Analysis and Approximations VI, September 12-18, 2015, Tsaghkadzor, Armenia.  
G. A. Karagulyan, M. H. Safaryan
- *On an equivalency of differentiation basis of dyadic rectangles*  
Armenian Mathematical Union Annual Session dedicated to the 100th anniversary of Professor Haik Badalyan, June 23-25, 2015, Yerevan, Armenia.  
G. A. Karagulyan, M. H. Safaryan
- *On theorems of Fatou and Littlewood*  
Armenian-Georgian Conference, September, 2014, Tsaxkadzor, Armenia.  
G. A. Karagulyan, M. H. Safaryan
- ☞ *On free  $A$ -bisemigroups*  
Computer Science and Information Technologies (CSIT), Proceedings of the Conference, September 23-27, Yerevan, 2013, Armenia, pp. 42-44.  
Y. M. Movsisyan, S. S. Davidov, M. H. Safaryan
- *Free  $A$ -bisemigroups*  
Mathematical Problems of Computer Science, XXXVIII, 2012, Yerevan, Armenia, pp. 23-25.  
Y. M. Movsisyan, S. S. Davidov, M. H. Safaryan

## Workshops

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- ☞ *On Stochastic Sign Descent Methods*,  
NeurIPS OPTML Workshop, 2020  
Mher Safaryan, Peter Richtárik
- ☞ *Optimal Gradient Compression for Distributed and Federated Learning*,  
Neurips SpicyFL Workshop, 2020  
Alyazeed Albasyoni, Mher Safaryan, Laurent Condat, Peter Richtárik
- ☞ *On Biased Compression for Distributed Learning*,  
Neurips SpicyFL Workshop, 2020  
Aleksandr Beznosikov, Samuel Horváth, Peter Richtárik, Mher Safaryan

## Awards

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- ☞ **Third Prize (2011, 2013), Honorable mention (2012)** **AUBG, Blagoevgrad**  
*International Mathematics Competition (IMC) for University Students* 2011-2013
- ☞ **YSU bronze medal** **Yerevan State University**  
*YSU best student competition, Department of Mathematics* 2013