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Research Interests

- Statistics: robust and adaptive estimation, testing, sparsity, nonparametrics.
- Optimization: first-order methods, minimax problems, performance estimation.
- Learning theory: fast convergence rates for smooth losses.
- Signal processing: estimation with shift-invariant structure, super-resolution.

Current Position

Assistant Professor (RTPC) of Mathematics

09/2021-present

University of Southern California

PREVIOUS Positions

Postdoctoral Scholar

08/2019-08/2021

University of Southern California, Viterbi School of Engineering

Hosted by Meisam Razaviyayn

ERCIM Alain Bensoussan Postdoctoral Fellow

02/2018-06/2019

Inria Paris, France Hosted by Francis Bach

Visiting PhD Student

12/2016-05/2017

University of Washington, Seattle

Hosted by Zaid Harchaoui

Degrees

PhD, University of Grenoble

10/2014-01/2018

Adaptive Signal Recovery by Convex Optimization

Advisors: Anatoli Juditsky, Zaid Harchaoui

MSc, Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology

09/2012-07/2014

• Thesis: Concentration Inequalities for the Exponential Weighting Method

Advisor: Yuri Golubev

BSc, Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology

09/2008-07/2012

Analytical Study of NHDP Link Management Protocol • Thesis:

Preprints and Working Papers

Near-Optimal Procedures for Model Discrimination with Non-Disclosure Properties D. Ostrovskii, M. Ndaoud, A. Javanmard, M. Razaviyayn. arXiv:2012.02901, 2020

Efficient Primal-Dual Algorithms for Large-Scale Multiclass Classification D. Babichev, D. Ostrovskii, F. Bach. arXiv:1902.03755, 2019

Structure-Blind Deconvolution via Convex Optimization D. Ostrovskii, A. Juditsky. Available upon request, 2018

BOOK CHAPTERS

Adaptive Denoising of Signals with Shift-Invariant Structure

D. Ostrovskii, Z. Harchaoui, A. Judistky, A. Nemirovski. arXiv:1806.04028, 2020 Foundations of Modern Statistics: V. Spokoiny's 60th Anniversary Festscrift, to appear

JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

Efficient Search of First-Order Nash Equilibria in Nonconvex-Concave Smooth Min-Max Problems

D. Ostrovskii, A. Lowy, M. Razaviyayn. arXiv:2002.07919, 2020 SIAM Journal on Optimization, to appear

Finite-Sample Analysis of M-Estimators Using Self-Concordance D. Ostrovskii, F. Bach. arXiv:1810.06838, 2018 Electronic Journal of Statistics, vol. 15, no. 1, pp. 326-391, 2021

Concentration Inequalities for the Exponential Weighting Method Y. Golubev, D. Ostrovskii.

Mathematical Methods of Statistics, 23:1, 2014, pp. 20-37

A Dynamic Channel Reservation Method for Multimedia Streaming in Wi-Fi Mesh Networks

A. Krasilov, A. Lyakhov, D. Ostrovskii, E. Khorov. Automation and Remote Control, 74:9, 2013, pp. 1460-1473

Analytical Study of the Quality of Links Established by the Neighbourhood Discovery Protocol

A. Lyakhov, D. Ostrovskii, E. Khorov. Journal of Communications Technology and Electronics, 57:12, 2012, pp. 1314-1321

REFEREED CONFERENCE PUBLICATIONS

Affine Invariant Covariance Estimation for Heavy-Tailed Distributions

D. Ostrovskii, A. Rudi. arXiv:1902.03086, COLT 2019

Beyond Least-Squares: Fast Rates for Regularized Empirical Risk Minimization through Self-Concordance

U. Marteau-Ferey, D. Ostrovskii, A. Rudi, F. Bach. arXiv:1902.03046, COLT 2019

Efficient First-Order Algorithms for Adaptive Signal Denoising D. Ostrovskii, Z. Harchaoui. arXiv:1803.11262, ICML 2018

Structure-Blind Signal Recovery

D. Ostrovskii, Z. Harchaoui, A. Juditsky, A. Nemirovski. arXiv:1607.05712, NeurIPS 2016

Adaptive Recovery of Signals by Convex Optimization

Z. Harchaoui, A. Juditsky, A. Nemirovski, D. Ostrovskii. hal:01250215, COLT 2015

Dynamic Resource Allocation for MCCA-Based Streaming in Wi-Fi Mesh Networks E. Khorov, A. Krasilov, A. Lyakhov, D. Ostrovskii. WiFlex 2013

Analytical Study of Neighborhood Discovery and Link Management in OLSR E. Khorov, A. Kiryanov, A. Lyakhov, D. Ostrovskii *IFIP 2012*

REVIEWING SERVICE

Mathematical Programming, SIAM Journal on Optimization (SIOPT), Annals of Statistics, Journal of Machine Learning Research, NeurIPS, ICML, COLT, ALT

TEACHING

USC, 2021–2022: Introduction to Mathematical Statistics (instructor)

USC, 2019–2021: Optimization for Machine Learning (invited lecturer)

UGA, 2015–2017: Calculus for Science and Engineering (in French, "Cours-TD")

UGA, 2015–2016: Statistical Methods for Biology and Medicine (in French, "TP")

Talks

2021

• Johns Hopkins University, AMS seminar invited talk Nonconvex-Nonconcave Min-Max Optimization with a Small Maximization Domain

• Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona University of Southern California job talk, zoom

École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne Weierstrass Institute, Berlin

job talk, zoom zoom

Near-Optimal Methods for Model Discrimination with Non-Disclosure Properties

2019

- University of Southern California, Epstein Seminar On Fast Rates in Empirical Risk Minimization Beyond Least-Squares
- COLT 2019, Phoenix Optimization and Statistical Learning workshop, Les Houches (poster) Affine Invariant Covariance Estimation for Heavy-Tailed Distributions
- Toyota Technological Institute, Chicago
 Algorithmic Efficiency and Statistical Optimality in Empirical Risk Minimization

2018

ICML 2018, Stockholm (poster)
 Optimization and Learning workshop, Toulouse (poster)
 CWI-Inria Workshop, Paris
 Finite-Sample Analysis of M-Estimators Using Self-Concordance

- ICML 2018, Stockholm
 Efficient First-Order Algorithms for Adaptive Signal Denoising
- CWI seminar, Amsterdam SIERRA Team seminar, INRIA, Paris PhD Thesis Defense, Univ. Grenoble Alpes Adaptive Signal Recovery by Convex Optimization

2015 - 2017

- NeurIPS 2016, Barcelona (poster) Structure-Blind Signal Recovery
- Université Grenoble Alpes
 University of Göttingen
 IRIT, Toulouse
 ORFE, Princeton
 University of Washington, Seattle
 PGMO Days 2016, Paris
 COLT 2015, Paris
 Adaptive Signal Denoising by Convex Optimization

HONORS & AWARDS NeurIPS 2019 Best Reviewer (awarded to 400 reviewers out of 4500+)

COLT 2019 Travel Award

HDSI Postdoctoral Fellowship at UC San Diego, 2019–2021 (declined)

ERCIM Alain Bensoussan Postdoctoral Fellowship, 2018–2019

 $\begin{array}{c} {\rm NVIDIA~GPU~Grant,~2017} \\ {\rm NIPS~2016~Travel~Award} \end{array}$

Increased State Academic Scholarship of the Russian Government, 2012–2014

Abramov-Frolov Fund Scholarship, 2009–2011

SCIENTIFIC SCHOOLS Structural Inference 2016, Brodten

GPU for Signal and Image Processing 2015, Grenoble Machine Learning Summer School 2015, Kyoto Khronos-Persyvact Spring School 2015, Grenoble

Microsoft School on Algorithms for Massive Data 2013, Moscow

Other Activities Mathematical blog: https://ostrodmit.github.io/blog

Languages English (quasi-native level, 113/120 ToEFL) Russian (native)

French (fluent, 5 years of living in France) German (written/oral comprehension)