# Roman Pogodin, CV

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#### **Education**

2017 – MPhil/PhD Theoretical Neuroscience present University College London, London (UK)

Gatsby Computational Neuroscience Unit

2013 – BSc Applied Mathematics and Physics (Honours)

2017 Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology (State University), Moscow (Russia)

Department of Control and Applied Mathematics

Average Grade: 8.8/10

## Research experience

April 2018 – Gatsby Unit, UCL, research group of Prof. Latham

present PhD student

Topics: associative memory models, biologically plausible deep learning

November 2018 – February 2019 Google DeepMind, collaboration with Tor Lattimore

Breadth rotation student

Topic: adaptivity in adversarial bandits

September 2016 –

Skoltech, research group of Prof. Maximov Research intern at Center for Energy Systems

Topic: non-convex optimization

July 2016 – August 2016

August 2017

Summer Research Program, EPFL, Prof. Gerstner's lab

6 Summer intern in Computational Neuroscience

Topic: generating long-time sequences from structured neural networks

January 2016 –

July 2016 Cou

MIPT, under the guidance of Dr. Grudinin

Course project

Topic: optimization in application to structural biology

July 2015 –

Amgen Scholars Program, LMU Munich, Prof. Leibold's lab

September 2015 Summer intern in Computational Neuroscience

Topic: simulation models of path planning in the hippocampal-cortical network

# **Teaching**

September 2018 – March 2019 Gatsby Unit, UCL Teaching assistant

Probabilistic and Unsupervised Learning (COMPGI18)

Approximate Inference and Learning in Probabilistic Models (COMPGI16)

Systems and Theoretical Neuroscience

Responsibilities:

Team member

tutorials, marking, coordination of the Gatsby TAs, some assignments for neuroscience

## Other

September 2016 -

Yandex School of Data Analysis, Moscow (Russia)

June 2017

Department of Computer Science

Master's-level courses in computer science and data analysis

September 2016 -

MIPT office for international internships

March 2017

Data collection and work with students

February 2014 –

MIPT volunteering team

June 2015

Group leader

Work with an orphanage

#### **Skills**

Programming

Python (including PyTorch), C, C++, Matlab

Other

Linux-based OS, LATEX, Mathematica

Languages

English C1 (Advanced, TOEFL iBT score 103)

Russian C2 (Native speaker)

Papers Google Scholar link

June 2020 Kernelized information bottleneck leads to biologically plausible

3-factor Hebbian learning in deep networks

R. Pogodin, P. E. Latham

arXiv preprint arXiv:2006.07123

July 2019 On First-Order Bounds, Variance and Gap-Dependent Bounds for Adversarial Bandits

R. Pogodin, T. Lattimore

In Proceedings of the Conference on Uncertainty in Artificial Intelligence (UAI) 2019

October 2017 Efficient rank minimization to tighten semidefinite programming

for unconstrained binary quadratic optimization

R. Pogodin, M. Krechetov, Y. Maximov

In Proceedings of the 55th Annual Allerton Conference on Communication,

Control, and Computing (Allerton)

September 2016 Quadratic Programming Approach to Fit Protein Complexes into Electron Density Maps

R. Pogodin, A. Katrutsa, S. Grudinin

In Proceedings of Information Technologies and Systems 2016

# Workshop papers

December 2019 Working memory facilitates reward-modulated Hebbian learning in

recurrent neural networks

R. Pogodin, D. Corneil, A. Seeholzer, J. Heng, W. Gerstner

NeurIPS 2019 workshop

Real Neurons & Hidden Units: future directions at the intersection of neuroscience and AI

**Talks** 

March 2020 Theoretical Neuroscience Journal Club at CNBC CMU, Pittsburgh

Title: 3-factor Hebbian learning rules in deep networks: an information bottleneck approach

November 2019 DeepMind/UCL PhD Workshop, London

Title: Associative memory in winner-take-all networks: from binary units to spikes

**Posters** 

March 2020 COSYNE 2020

Title: 3-factor Hebbian learning rules in deep networks:

an information bottleneck approach (with Peter Latham)

September 2019 NCCD 2019

Title: Associative memory in winner-take-all networks: from binary units to spikes (with Peter Latham)

March 2019 COSYNE 2019

Title: Memories in coupled winner-take-all networks (with Peter Latham)

June 2017 Ninth Traditional school "Control, Information, Optimization"

September 2016 Information Technologies and Systems 2016

August 2016 Summer Research Program, EPFL

June 2016 Eighth Traditional school "Control, Information, Optimization"

November 2015 58th MIPT Scientific Conference

September 2015 Amgen Program Cambridge symposium

August 2015 Amgen Program LMU symposium

### **Honors and awards**

September 2016 – December 2016 Increased State Academic Scholarship for research achievements

February 2014 – June 2016 Abramov fund scholarship for best non-senior students