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Experience

Visual Computing Center, KAUST

CS PhD student

Thuwal, Saudi Arabia

March 2020 - now

I do my PhD under supervision of prof. Mohamed Elhoseiny. My research interests include generative models, inverse graphics (NeRF, mostly) and hypernetworks. I also have a small weakness on adversarial robustness.

Neural Networks and Deep Learning Lab, MIPT

Deep Learning researcher

Moscow, Russia

February 2018 - March 2020

The first project was on style transfer in text. We built a Transformer CycleGAN model that was later employed in NeuroDostoevsky exhibition. The second project was on loss landscape analysis: using mode connectivity ideas we demonstrated that the NN's loss surface contains arbitrary low-dimensional manifolds.

Visual Computing Center, KAUST

Visiting student

Thuwal, Saudi Arabia

October 2019 - December 2019

We investigated several normalization techniques in zero-shot learning and formulated a novel continual zero-shot learning problem. Both of the ideas were later incorporated into our class normalization paper.

Yandex

Software Engineer

Moscow, Russia

March 2015 - October 2016

I was implementing various product features for market.yandex.ru + some corresponding infrastructure work (deployment, unit/integration/stress tests, etc).

Federal State Statistics Service

Software Engineer

Moscow, Russia

September 2014 - March 2015

I built a web crawler that is able to construct dictionaries automatically: it parsed web pages, detected terms and definitions, categorized them, processed and filled the dictionary.

Brainarium

Full-Stack Developer

Moscow, Russia

January 2014 - September 2014

I built a kaggle-like platform with node.js + marionette.js stack and all the required infrastructure.

Education

KAUST

Computer Science, GPA: 3.9/4

Thuwal, Saudi Arabia

2020-now

Yandex School of Data Analysis

Data Analysis in Applied Sciences, current GPA: 4.77/5

Moscow, Russia

2018-2021

NRNU MEPhI

M.S., Applied Informatics. GPA: 4.78/5

Moscow, Russia

2014-2016

NRNU MEPhI

B.S. (with honors), Innovative Management. GPA: 4.88/5

Moscow, Russia

2010-2014

Publications

- Ivan Skorokhodov, Savva Ignatyev, Mohamed Elhoseiny "Adversarial Generation of Continuous Images" — arxiv preprint, <https://arxiv.org/abs/2011.12026>
- Ivan Skorokhodov, Mohamed Elhoseiny "Normalization Matters in Zero-Shot Learning" — arxiv preprint, <https://arxiv.org/abs/2006.11328>

- Ivan Skorokhodov, Mikhail Burtsev “Loss Surface Sightseeing by Multi-Point Optimization” — “Beyond First Order Methods in ML” workshop, NeurIPS 2019, <https://arxiv.org/abs/1910.03867>
- Ivan Skorokhodov et al. “Semi-Supervised Neural Machine Translation with Language Models” — AMTA workshop, ACL 2018.

Teaching experience

Data-efficient Deep Learning by prof. Mohamed Elhoseiny at KAUST

Teaching assistant

Thuwal

Fall 2020

Theoretical Deep Learning II by Evgeniy Golikov at MIPT

Teaching assistant

Moscow

Fall 2019

Theoretical Deep Learning I by Evgeniy Golikov at MIPT

Teaching assistant, Lecturer for Information Bottleneck lectures

Moscow

Spring 2019

My lecture notes on the IB lectures (a draft) can be viewed [here](#).

Additional education

Offline courses passed (extra)

- Deep Learning (advanced track) by Victor Lempitsky, YSDA, 2019. Grade 100/100, ranked 1/231
- Bayesian methods in ML by Dmitry Vetrov, YSDA, 2018 fall
- Neuro-Bayesian methods by Dmitry Vetrov, YSDA, 2019
- Information Theory by Nikolay Vereshchagin, YSDA, 2018 fall
- Computer Vision by Anton Konushin, YSDA
- Machine Learning at Tinkoff Fintech School, 2016.

DL books read

- “Deep learning” by I.Goodfellow, Y.Bengio, A.Courville, 2015 edition
- “Reinforcement Learning: An Introduction” by R.Sutton and A.Barto, 2017

Online courses passed

- CS-294 (Deep Reinforcement Learning), Berkeley university, 2017
- Algorithms, parts 1, 2 (CSC, stepik.org), 2016
- Machine Learning (Andrew Ng, coursera.org), 2016
- Machine Learning (K.Vorontsov, coursera.org), 2016
- Neural Networks (G.Hinton, coursera.org), 2016
- Learning how to learn (B.Oakley, coursera.org), 2016
- Modern Combinatorics (A.Raigorodsky, coursera.org), 2016
- Statistics basics, parts 1,2,3 (A.Karpov, stepik.org), 2016

Selected pet projects

RtRs

September 2020 - December 2020

<https://github.com/universome/rtrs>

Simple ray tracing and rasterization framework written in rust. There are various features implemented: quadrics/mesh rendering, distributed ray tracing, camera movement, arcball controls, etc.

Gaussian non-uniform interpolation

December 2020

<https://github.com/universome/non-uniform-interpolation>

A CUDA kernel which is able to interpolate points on a non-uniform grid. This is done by representing each point as a 2D gaussian distribution.

Firelab

November 2018 - August 2020

<https://github.com/universome/firelab>

Python framework for running pytorch experiments. Supports multi-gpu hyperparameters optimization, training class boilerplate, tensorboard logging, etc.

Aladdin

October 2016 - March 2017

<https://github.com/universome/aladdin>

A betting arbitrage bot written in rust.

Omniplan Web

May 2016 - August 2016

<https://github.com/universome/omniplan>

A web view for [omniplan](#) platform written with react.js.

Skills

- **Programming:** python, rust, CUDA, C++, javascript;
- **ML/DL frameworks:** torch/torchvision/pytorch3d, tensorflow, sklearn, pandas, numpy;
- **Miscellaneous:** docker, git, bash, L^AT_EX.

Hackathons performance

- Junction (Espoo, 2018) — some minor prize
- Blockchain hackathon (Moscow, 2018), Blockchain Institute — 1st place
- Unsupervised machine translation (Dolgoprudny, 2018), MIPT — 2nd place
- Funhack (Moscow, 2018), Science Guide — some minor prize
- VK hackathon (Saint-Petersburg, 2016), VK — 1st place + people's choice award
- Battlehack (Moscow, 2016), Paypal
- BEM hackathon (Moscow, 2015), Yandex — 1st place
- Fintech hackathon (Moscow, 2015), HSE