ULYANA PITERBARG

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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Computer Science (GPA 3.9/4.0)	2021 - 2026
New York University	
Advisors: Prof. Rob Fergus, Prof. Lerrel Pinto	
B.S., Mathematics with Computer Science (GPA 4.9/5.0)	2017 - 2021
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	

HONORS & AWARDS

National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship	2022-2025
Google DeepMind Ph.D. Scholarship	2021-2022
NYU Henry M. MacCracken Doctoral Fellowship	2021-2026
MIT Quest for Intelligence Undergraduate Research and Innovation Scholarship	2020-2021
EPFL School of Life Sciences Summer Research Program Fellowship	2018
National Merit Scholarship	2017

EMPLOYMENT

Ph.D. Research Intern, Applied Science Team, Google LLC	2021
Researcher, Ocean Processes, Climate Modeling Alliance	2020-2021
Investment Associate Intern, Bridgewater Associates LP	2020
Software Engineering Intern, Machine Learning Operations, Spell	2019
Technical Assistant, Space Systems and Technology Division, MIT Lincoln Laboratory	2017-2018
Exhibitions Design Intern, American Museum of Natural History	2017

PUBLICATIONS

Allen, K. R., Smith, K., **Piterbarg, U.**, Chen, R., & Tenenbaum, JB. (In Preparation). Rapid multi-task learning with relational program policies.

Piterbarg, U., Pinto, L., & Fergus, R. (2023). NetHack is hard to hack. 37th Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS).

Ramadhan, A., Marshall, J., Souza, A., Lee, XK., **Piterbarg, U.**, Hillier, A., LeClaire Wagner, G., & Rackauckas, C. (2023). Capturing missing physics in climate model parameterizations using neural differential equations. arXiv preprint arXiv:2010.12559 (In Submission to JAMES).

Allen, K. R., Smith, K., **Piterbarg, U.**, Chen, R., & Tenenbaum, JB. (2020). Abstract strategy learning underlies flexible transfer in physical problem solving. In *CogSci*.

INVITED TALKS

Structured Losses for Neural Simulators of Turbulent Flows, Good	ogle Accelerated Sciences 2021
Flexible Transfer in Physical Problem Solving, Google Brain	2021

TEACHING

Lecturer and Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Robot Intelligence (CSCI-UA 480-072)	2023
New York University	
Department of Computer Science	
Teaching Assistant, Seminar in Analysis (18.104)	2021
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	
Department of Mathematics	
Undergraduate Teaching Assistant, Computational Cognitive Science (9.66/9.660/6.804)	2019
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	
Department of Brain and Cognitive Sciences	

ADVISING

Carla Garcia Medina (now Research Engineer at Google LLC) 2022-2023

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Council Member, MIT Council for Math Majors	2020-2021
Mentor, MIT Undergraduate Society of Women in Math	2019-2021
Mentor, MIT Society of Women Engineers	2019-2021
Volunteer, Rolnick Observatory	2015 - 2017
Member, Westport Astronomical Society	2015 - 2017
Data Contributor, International Occulation Timing Association	2015 - 2017

EXPERTISE

Training and Fine-tuning Foundation Models (Microsoft DeepSpeed, HuggingFace) Machine Learning Workflows (PyTorch, Tensorflow, JAX, SciKitLearn) Physical Simulators (MuJoCo, PyBullet) Differentiable Programming (Julia, JAX, Taichi)

PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES

Python Advanced Proficiency
GoLang Intermediate Proficiency
JavaScript/CSS/HTML Intermediate Proficiency
Julia Intermediate Proficiency
MATLAB Intermediate Proficiency
C/C++ Intermediate Proficiency

SPOKEN & WRITTEN LANGUAGES

English
French
Ukrainian

Native/Fluent
Working Proficiency (DELF B2)
Limited Working Proficiency