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CONTACT INFORMATION

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BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

Date of birth: April 20th 1985
Citizenship: Russia

EDUCATION

[St. Petersburg Department of Steklov Mathematical Institute](#)
Ph.D. student since 2008. Expected degree: Ph.D. in Computer Science

- Advisor: [Edward A. Hirsch](#)
- Area of study: proof complexity

[St. Petersburg State University of Information Technologies, Mechanics and Optics](#)
M.Sc. in Computer Science, 2006-2008

- Advisor: [Edward A. Hirsch](#)
- Thesis: "Automated proof search in Cutting Planes propositional proof system"

[St. Petersburg State University of Information Technologies, Mechanics and Optics](#)
B.Sc. in Computer Science, 2002-2006

- Advisor: [Sergey Yu. Zhukov](#)
- Thesis: "Illumination model for landscapes"

ADDITIONAL EDUCATION

[Computer Science Student Club at PDMI, St. Petersburg](#)
Active member

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Proof complexity, structural complexity, communication complexity, algorithms, cryptography, computational aspects of mathematical logic.

RESEARCH PAPERS

- Edward A. Hirsch, Dmitry Itsykson, Valeria Nikolaenko and Alexander Smal. "[Optimal heuristic algorithms for the image of an injective function](#)". ECCO, TR11-091, 2011
- Edward A. Hirsch, Dmitry Itsykson, Ivan Monakhov, and Alexander Smal. "[On optimal heuristic randomized semidecision procedures, with applications to proof complexity and cryptography](#)". ECCO, TR10-193, 2010.

TALKS AND POSTERS

- Talk "Optimal automatizable heuristic proof systems". [Workshop on Complexity of Algorithms, Proofs, and Circuits](#) St. Petersburg, Russia, 2010.
- Poster "Optimal automatizable heuristic proof systems". [The fifth Microsoft Research Summer School](#). Cambridge, UK, 2010.
- Mini-course "Logical Foundations of Proof Complexity". [Discrete Mathematics Seminar](#). St. Petersburg, Russia, 2009.
- Talk "Tree isomorphism". [Joint Advanced Student School \(JASS'2008\)](#). St. Petersburg, Russia, 2008.
- Poster "Illumination model for landscapes". [13th Estonian Winter School in Computer Science \(EWSCS'2008\)](#). Palmse, Estonia, 2008.

STUDENT SCHOOLS

- [Fall school of Logic & Complexity with emphasis on proof complexity](#). Prague, Czech Republic, 2011.
- [Fall school of Logic & Complexity with emphasis on proof complexity](#). Prague, Czech Republic, 2010.
- Teaching assistant at [Microsoft Data Structures and Algorithms School \(MIDAS\)](#). St. Petersburg, Russia, 2010.
- [The fifth Microsoft Research Summer School](#). Cambridge, UK, 2010.
- [Computer Science E-Days, Theory \(CSEDays. Theory 2010\)](#). Ekaterinburg, Russia, 2010.
- [JAIST Advanced School on Formal Specification and Systems Verification \(JAIST-FSSV'2010\)](#). Kanazawa, Japan, 2010.
- [Fall school of Logic & Complexity with emphasis on proof complexity](#). Prague, Czech Republic, 2009.
- [NoNA Summer School on Complexity Theory \(SCCT'09\)](#). St. Petersburg, Russia.
- [Spring School on Fixed Parameter and Exact Algorithms \(AGAPE'09\)](#). Lozari, France, 2009.
- [Joint Advanced Student School \(JASS'2009\)](#). St. Petersburg, Russia, 2009.
- [NoNA Spring School on Algorithms](#). Istanbul, Turkey, 2009.
- [14th Estonian Winter School in Computer Science \(EWSCS'2009\)](#). Palmse, Estonia, 2009.
- [Joint Advanced Student School \(JASS'2008\)](#). St. Petersburg, Russia, 2008.
- [13th Estonian Winter School in Computer Science \(EWSCS'2008\)](#). Palmse, Estonia, 2008.

GRANTS AND AWARDS

- Winner of [MALOA](#) scholarship for participating in [Prague Special Semester in Logic and Complexity](#) (fall 2011).
- Winner of PhD student personal grant contest by St. Petersburg government (2009).
- Participant of grant of Federal Agency of the Science and Innovations of Russia, State Contract No. 02.740.11.5192.
- Participant of grant of Federal Target Programme "Scientific and scientific-pedagogical personnel of the innovative Russia" (contract #II265 from 23.07.2009)
- Participant of [Russian Foundation for Basic Research \(RFBR\)](#) grants
 - 09-01-12137 "Application of combinatorial methods in mathematical logic and graph theory" (2009-2010).
 - 09-01-91085 "Organization and realisation of the Russian-French seminar 'Complexity in Algorithmic Problems, Dynamic Systems and Bioinformatics'" (2009-2010).
 - 08-01-00640 "Complexity of circuits, proofs and protocols" (2008-2010).
 - 06-01-00502 "Algorithms for automated design and analysis of algorithms for the Boolean satisfiability problem" (2006–2008).
- Winner of "Prometheus Star" award (2002).
- Several diplomas of physics and math school contests.

RESEARCH POSITION

- Early stage researcher at [Charles University](#) in Prague (fall 2011). Participant of [Prague Special Semester in Logic and Complexity](#).

TEACHING EXPERIENCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intern at Microsoft Research Silicon Valley (summer 2011). Advisor: Ilya Mironov. • C++ course at St. Petersburg Academic University (since 2008). • C++ and Java courses at St. Petersburg State University of Information Technologies, Mechanics and Optics (2008-2010). • Math teacher in mathematical club for talented schoolchildren (since 2002).
INDUSTRIAL EXPERIENCE	<p>Transas Senior C++ developer, 2005-2008.</p> <p>Segmenta Media Java developer, 2004-2005.</p>
RELEVANT SKILLS	<p>Programming Languages:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • C++ • Java • Perl and PHP • Haskell
LANGUAGES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Russian: native • English: fluent • French: pre intermediate • German: elementary