

# Maksym Andriushchenko

## PERSONAL DATA

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## EDUCATION

**École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL), Switzerland (Sep 2019 - now)**  
PhD student in Computer Science advised by Nicolas Flammarion

**Saarland University, Germany (Oct 2016 – Aug 2019)**  
Master's Degree in Computer Science advised by Matthias Hein from the University of Tübingen

**Dnipro National University of Railway Transport, Ukraine (Sep 2012 – June 2016)**  
Bachelor's Degree in Software Engineering — *with honors*

## AWARDS

**Scholarships and Grants** [Google PhD fellowship 2022-2025 \(\\$80k per year\)](#)  
[Open Philanthropy AI PhD Fellowship 2022-2024 \(\\$10k per year for travel/equipment\)](#)  
[Google Research Collab 2022-2023 \(\\$80k for one year + \\$20k in cloud compute\)](#)  
EDIC PhD fellowship from EPFL for the first year  
DAAD MSc scholarship for 2 years to study at Saarland University

**Awards** ICLR'21 Security & Safety in ML Systems Workshop: **Best Paper Honorable Mention Prize**  
Swiss Machine Learning Day: **best paper award** for “*Provably Robust Boosted Decision Stumps and Trees against Adversarial Attacks*” (also published at NeurIPS'19)

**Travel grants** NeurIPS'19, NeurIPS'17, ICML'19 Workshop on Uncertainty & Robustness in Deep Learning, ICML'18 student volunteer grant, Machine Learning Summer School 2015 at Kyoto University

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

**M. Andriushchenko**, A. Varre, L. Pillaud-Vivien, N. Flammarion. SGD with large step sizes learns sparse features (arXiv, 2022) [[paper](#)]

**M. Andriushchenko**, N. Flammarion. Towards Understanding Sharpness-Aware Minimization (ICML'22) [[paper](#)]

**M. Andriushchenko**, X. Li, G. Oxholm, T. Gittings, T. Bui, N. Flammarion, J. Collomosse ARIA: Adversarially Robust Image Attribution (CVPR'22 Workshop on Media Forensics) [[paper](#)]

F. Croce\*, **M. Andriushchenko\***, V. Sehwag\*, N. Flammarion, M. Chiang, P. Mittal, M. Hein. RobustBench: a standardized adversarial robustness benchmark (NeurIPS'21 Datasets and Benchmarks Track, **Best Paper Honorable Mention Prize** at [ICLR'21 Workshop on Security and Safety in Machine Learning Systems](#)) [[paper](#)]

M. Mosbach, **M. Andriushchenko**, D. Klakow. On the Stability of Fine-tuning BERT: Misconceptions, Explanations, and Strong Baselines (ICLR'21) [[paper](#)]

**M. Andriushchenko**, N. Flammarion. Understanding and Improving Fast Adversarial training (NeurIPS'20) [[paper](#)]

**M. Andriushchenko\***, F. Croce\*, N. Flammarion, M. Hein. Square Attack: a query-efficient black-box adversarial attack via random search (ECCV'20) [[paper](#)]

**M. Andriushchenko**, M. Hein. Provably Robust Boosted Decision Stumps and Trees against Adversarial Attacks (NeurIPS'19) [[paper](#)]

M. Hein, **M. Andriushchenko**, J. Bitterwolf. Why ReLU networks yield high-confidence predictions far away from the training data and how to mitigate the problem (**oral at CVPR'19**) [[paper](#)]

M. Hein and **M. Andriushchenko**. Formal Guarantees on the Robustness of a Classifier Against Adversarial Manipulation (NeurIPS'17) [[paper](#)]

## ACADEMIC SERVICE

**Reviewer** NeurIPS'22 (**top reviewer**), ICML'22, NeurIPS'21, ICML'21, CVPR'21, ICLR'21 (**outstanding reviewer**), NeurIPS'20 (**top 10% reviewers**)

<b>Program committee in workshops</b>	ICLR'23 “Workshop on Pitfalls of Limited Data and Computation for Trustworthy ML”, NeurIPS'22 “Workshop on Distribution Shifts”, NeurIPS'22 “ML Safety Workshop”, ICML'22 “New Frontiers in Adversarial Machine Learning”, ICML'22 “Principles of Distribution Shift”, NeurIPS'21: “Distribution Shifts: Connecting Methods and Applications”, ICML'21 “Uncertainty and Robustness in Deep Learning”, CVPR'21 “Adversarial ML in Real-World Computer Vision Systems”, ICLR'21 “Robust and Reliable ML in the Real World”, “Security and Safety in ML Systems”, ICML'20 “Uncertainty and Robustness in Deep Learning”, CVPR'20 “Adversarial ML in Computer Vision”, ICLR'20 “Towards Trustworthy ML” ( <b>best reviewer award</b> )
<b>Participant</b>	<a href="#">Robust AI 4-day workshop</a> organized by Airbus AI Research and TNO (January 2021)
<b>Volunteer</b>	National coordinator for Switzerland at <a href="#">#ScienceForUkraine</a> Coordinator for Switzerland and admission officer at the <a href="#">Ukrainian Global University</a> AI and STEM workshop at a <a href="#">summer camp</a> for displaced Ukrainian children in Romania

## WORK EXPERIENCE

<b>Adobe Research,</b> Media Intelligence Lab	<b>Time:</b> July 2021 – October 2021 <b>Role:</b> Research Intern supervised by John Collomosse. Developed adversarially robust image provenance models which are being patented and operationalized for <a href="#">Content Authenticity Initiative</a> . Contributed to a data augmentation library <a href="#">beacon_aug</a> .
<b>PrivatBank</b> (a part-time job in the largest Ukrainian bank)	<b>Time:</b> November 2015 – June 2016 <b>Role:</b> Data Scientist working on predictive modeling, e-commerce personalization, text analysis.
<b>Cinemalist</b> (a startup with 500 active users)	<b>Time:</b> June 2013 – December 2014 (active time of development) <b>Role:</b> Co-founder of a movie recommendation website. Developed a personalized recommender system, website, and oversaw the general development of the project.

## STUDENT SUPERVISION

<b>Théau Vannier</b>	<b>MSc project (2023):</b> “Understanding the training instability of transformers”
<b>Joshua Freeman</b>	<b>BSc project (2022):</b> “Recognition of unexploded ordnance using transfer learning”
<b>Jana Vuckovic</b>	<b>MSc project (2022):</b> “Rethinking the relationship between sharpness and generalization”
<b>Mehrdad Saberi</b>	<b>Summer internship (2021):</b> “Wasserstein adversarial training and perceptual robustness”
<b>Edoardo Debenedetti</b>	<b>MSc project (2021):</b> “RobustBench: a standardized adversarial robustness benchmark” (published at NeurIPS'21 Datasets and Benchmarks Track)
<b>Klim Kireev</b>	<b>PhD semester project (2020):</b> “On the effectiveness of adversarial training against common corruptions” (published at UAI'22)
<b>Etienne Bonvin</b>	<b>MSc project (2020):</b> “Adversarial robustness of kernel methods”

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

<b>EPFL</b>	<b>Probability &amp; Statistics 2021, 2022</b> (by E. Abbé), <b>Machine Learning 2020, 2021, 2022</b> (by M. Jaggi, N. Flammarion), <b>Advanced Algorithms 2020</b> (by M. Kapralov)
<b>MPI for Informatics</b>	<b>Machine Learning 2018-2019</b> (lecturer: B. Schiele)
<b>Saarland University</b>	<b>Neural Networks: Implementation and Application 2017</b> (lecturer: D. Klakow)

## PERSONAL

Long-distance running (personal best half-marathon: 1 hour 30 min), trail running, orienteering, history books.