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Subject: Recommendation letter for Sergei Anisov

To whom it may concern,

Sergei Anisov has visited Institut Fourier in Grenoble twice (once in 1999-2000 and an another time in 2000-2001). Each time, it was a genuine pleasure to attend his very well-organized and very accessible talks and to listen to his complementary explanations. Despite his young age, he has already changed his research interests in topology and geometry several times, and he has obtained several original results in various (though related) topological fields such as singularity theory, Legendrian topology and 3-dimensional topology. As I have noted from our conversations, each time, he has mastered his new topic together with its mathematical environment. His study of convex curves in the real projective space seems particularly interesting to me, whereas his work on the Matveev complexity of 3-manifolds, that relies on his previous work in collaboration on θ-curves, is elegant, original and tricky.

As a conclusion, I think that Sergei Anisov is a very good mathematician who deserves a position in a good University.

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