# ALPEREN GORMEZ

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# **EDUCATION**

## University of Illinois at Chicago

Chicago, IL

Ph.D. Electrical and Computer Engineering

Aug 2019 - Present

- Cumulative GPA: 4.0 / 4.0
- Relevant Coursework: Neural Networks, DeepMind Advanced Deep Learning & Reinforcement Learning, Algorithms I, Convex Optimization, Digital Signal Processing II, Statistical Digital Processing, Digital Communications, Random Signal Analysis
- GRE: Q-170, V-154, W-3.5
- TOEFL iBT: 106/120

**Bilkent University** 

Ankara, TURKEY

B.S. Electrical and Electronics Engineering

Aug 2015 - June 2019

• Relevant Coursework: Statistical Learning and Data Analytics, Neural Networks, Artificial Intelligence, Digital Signal Processing, Fundamental Structures of Computer Science, Probability and Statistics, Linear Algebra & Differential Equations

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### University of Illinois at Chicago

Chicago, IL

Research Assistant

Aug 2019 – Present

• Working on adaptive neural networks with Prof. Erdem Koyuncu in order to decrease the computational complexity of deep learning systems while preserving the performance

Nagoya University Aichi, JAPAN

Research Student

*May - July 2018* 

• Conducted research about pattern recognition and anomaly detection under the supervision of Prof. Kenji Mase

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

## University of Illinois at Chicago

Chicago, IL

Teaching Assistant

Aug 2019 – Present

- Taught MATLAB programming in the laboratory sessions of the Digital Signal Processing I course (Fall '19 and Spring '20)
- Helping undergraduate students with MATLAB in the Communication Engineering course

ASELSAN Ankara, TURKEY

Candidate Engineer

Feb – May 2019

- Used neural networks to classify the sounds received by a passive sonar
- Worked on the visualization of the data collected by ultrasonic sensors
- $\bullet \ Implemented \ sonar \ signal \ processing \ algorithms \ for \ the \ acoustics \ signal \ processing \ department \\$

Argela Ankara, TURKEY

Computer Networks Intern

*Jan – Feb 2018* 

- Wrote Python programs in Linux for transferring files automatically between servers
- Contributed to the DSL-LTE Bonding Project by writing small Python scripts to monitor the internet speeds of customers
- Led the team in automated testing processes using Robot Framework

Lumos Laser Ankara, TURKEY

Embedded Systems Intern

June – July 2017

• Optimized and simulated the data transfer between a computer and an FPGA of a fiber laser system

## **SKILLS & INTERESTS**

- Languages/Technologies: Proficient in Python, MATLAB, C; familiar with Java, C++, Julia. Experienced with Linux, Anaconda, PyTorch, TensorFlow, NumPy
- Interests: Chess, Formula 1 (damalibayrak.com), paragliding, neural networks

#### HONORS & AWARDS

• Bilkent University Honor Student – High academic standing

2015-2019

• Bilkent University Comprehensive Scholarship – Full tuition waiver and stipend during the B.S. program

2015-2019

• LYS Degree – Ranked 341<sup>st</sup> in Turkey's National University Entrance Exam among over 2 million students

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