ANAR AMIRLI

m Date of Birth: June 1997

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EDUCATION

Universität des Saarlandes

M.Sc. Computer Science

Grade: 2.4 | DAAD (Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst) Fully Funded Graduate Scholarship

Saarbrücken, Germany Oct 2019 – Aug 2025

Baku. Azerbai

Baku Engineering University

B.Eng. Computer Engineering

Grade: 1.3 | Graduated with Honors | Government Scholarship for Academic Excellence

Baku, Azerbaijan Sep 2014 – Jun 2019

WORK EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant & Master's Thesis (Computer Vision)

DFKI GmbH (German Research Center for Artificial Intelligence)

Saarbrücken, Germany Mar 2023 – Aug 2025

- Designed and implemented a concept-based, self-explainable vision model for skin cancer diagnosis, surpassing baseline models (e.g., CBMs) by more than 3% in performance.
- Leveraged vision-language models (e.g., CLIP, MedCLIP) to benchmark explainability on medical imaging datasets.
- Conducted large-scale statistical analyses to evaluate the consistency of explanations from self-explainable models.
- Supervisor: Prof. Daniel Sonntag.

Student Research Assistant (Machine Learning) *DFKI GmbH*

Saarbrücken, Germany Nov 2021 – Sep 2022

- Developed and deployed ML pipelines (e.g., autoencoders) for real-time anomaly detection in manufacturing lines at Schott AG.
- Enhanced anomaly detection and localization accuracy with post-hoc explainability methods by 13%.
- Fine-tuned **transformer-based LLMs** (e.g., T5, BART) to **generate incident reports** from sensor telemetry to assist early incident assessment.
- Team Leader: Prof. Wolfgang Maaß.

Student Research Assistant (Generative AI)

TESLAB, Nanyang Technological University

Singapore (remote) Feb 2021 – May 2022

- Developed multimodal-to-image translation framework with Generative AI models for topology optimisation of 2D/3D structures, achieving 91–99% accuracy and enabling near real-time optimization.
- Conducted a comprehensive literature review on generative models, including diffusion models, VAEs, and GANs.
- Supervisor: Dr. Bakytzhan Akhmetov.

Machine Learning Intern

ATL Tech

Baku, Azerbaijan Jan 2019 – Jun 2019

- Assisted in developing a speech recognition system used in flight training simulations at an aviation academy.
- Performed feature engineering for unstructured audio data (e.g., spectrograms, MFCCs) and trained sequence models (e.g., LSTMs, HMMs) on cockpit command samples.
- Supervisor: Assoc. Prof. Samir Rustamov.

Data Science & Machine Learning Intern

ImageLab, Middle East Technical University

Ankara, Turkey Jun 2018 – Sep 2018

- Built an ML pipeline for ball-position estimation in football, to assist tracking camera accuracy during occlusion.
- Conducted data cleaning, feature engineering, and visualization for sports analytics.
- Supervisor: Assoc. Prof. Hande Alemdar.

SKILLS

- Programming & Data: Python (PyTorch, TensorFlow, SciPy, Scikit-learn, OpenCV, Hugging Face), C++, Java, MATLAB, R
- Data: SQL, Spark, MySQL, MongoDB

- MLOps & Tools: MLflow, Docker, CI/CD, FastAPI, Flask, AWS, Airflow
- Languages: Azerbaijani (native), English (C1), Turkish (C1), German (B1)
- Others: GPU-Accelerated Programming, Clean and Secure Coding, Linux

CERTIFICATES

High Level Computer Vision by MPI; Optimization for Machine Learning by CISPA; Predictive Analytics with R by DFKI; Developing Machine Learning Solutions by AWS; Generative AI with Large Language Models by AWS.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS (Full Scholar Link)

Unsupervised multi-sensor anomaly localization with explainable AI. Ameli, M., Pfanschilling, V., **Amirli, A.**, Maaß, W., Kersting, K. Artificial Intelligence Applications and Innovations. Springer, 2022. DOI: 10.1007/978-3-031-08333-4_41.

Hobbies

Reading in social theory (Structuralism, Biopolitics, Feminism); Doing pottery and ceramics; Playing tar, electric guitar, and mixing vinyl records; Cooking (used to work in a family restaurant).