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EDUCATION

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Champaign, IL

Ph.D. in Mechanical Science and Engineering

Aug. 2021 - Present

Research: Catalytic Surface Recombination in Thermal Protection System Materials

TOBB University of Economics and Technology

Ankara, Turkey

M.S. in Mechanical Engineering

Sep. 2016 - Jul. 2019

- Thesis: Active and Passive Control of Supersonic Cavity Flow

TOBB University of Economics and Technology

Ankara, Turkey

B.S. in Mechanical Engineering

Sep. 2012 - Jun. 2016

- Thesis: Design and Optimization of a New Turbine for an Existing Hydroelectric Power Plant

Experience

Graduate Research Assistant

Aug. 2021 – Present

Mechanical Science and Engineering Department, UIUC

Champaign, IL

- Investigation of catalytic surface recombination in thermal protection systems (TPS) using molecular dynamics (MD)
- Surface characterization of TPS materials through advanced experimental techniques, including XPS, XRD, and Raman spectroscopy

Project Engineer

Sep. 2017 - Jul. 2019

TOBB University of Economics and Technology

Ankara, Turkey

- Active and passive control of Supersonic Cavity Flow using Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) tools
- Analysis of supersonic cavity flow structures and dynamics through proper orthogonal decomposition (POD)
- 2D CFD analysis of boundary layer behavior over a flat plate

Research and Teaching Assistant

Sep. 2016 – Sep. 2017

TOBB University of Economics and Technology

Ankara, Turkey

Teaching assistant in Fluid Mechanics course and laboratory

Intern

May 2016 – Aug. 2016 Ankara, Turkey

- TOBB ETU Hydro Energy Research Center
- Preliminary analysis of Supersonic Cavity Flow
- Tolerance measurements of Francis turbine components using a Coordinate Measuring Machine (CMM)

Sep. 2015 – Dec. 2015

Turkish Aerospace (TUSAS)

Ankara, Turkey

Manufacturing planning and tool order verification for aircraft components

Intern

Jun. 2014 – Aug. 2014

Turk Tractor and Agricultural Machinery Co.

Ankara, Turkey

Product development

Publications

Intern

Journal Publications

Aradag, S., Gelisli, K. A., Yaldir, E. C., Effects of Active and Passive Control Techniques on Mach 1.5 Cavity Flow Dynamics, International Journal of Aerospace Engineering, 2017. doi:10.1155/2017/8253264

Conference Proceedings

Gelisli, K. A., Torres-Herrador, F., Stephani, K. A., "Comparison of Interaction Potentials for N₋2 Recombination During Nitrogen Impingement on Graphene", 14th Ablation Workshop, 2024. (poster)

Gelisli, K. A., Kondur, C., Torres-Herrador, F., Stephani, K. A., "Investigating Catalytic Surface Recombination Mechanisms in Carbon-Based TPS Materials", 13th Ablation Workshop, 2023. (poster)

Gelisli, K. A., Aradag, S., Tascioglu, Y., Ozer, M. B., "Computational Fluid Dynamics and Proper Orthogonal Decomposition based control of flow over supersonic cavities", 25th AIAA/CEAS Aeroacoustics Conference, 2019. doi:10.2514/6.2019-2694

Gelisli, K. A., Aradag, S., Tascioglu, Y., Ozer, M. B., "Active and passive control of supersonic cavity flow", 3rd International Conference on Mechatronics Systems and Control Engineering, 2019.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Simulation Tools: LAMMPS, ANSYS Fluent, Siemens Star CCM+

Programming Languages: Python, Matlab CAD Tools: AutoCAD, Catia, SolidWorks
Operating systems: Windows, Linux

AWARDS

Fulbright Ph.D. Grant, IIE (2021-2023).

Global Korea Scholarship for Ph.D., NIIED (2020-2021).

High honor student, M.S., TOBB University of Economics and Technology (2019).

Stipend Scholarship, MILHES Project, TUBITAK-KAMAG 110M539 (2016-2017).

Full Tuition Scholarship, M.S., TOBB University of Economics and Technology (2016-2019).

High honor student, B.S., TOBB University of Economics and Technology (2016).

Full Tuition Scholarship, B.S., TOBB University of Economics and Technology (2011-2016).

Professional Affiliations & Memberships

Research subcommittee, Graduate Society of Women Engineers (GradSWE) at UIUC (2021 – Present).

President, Turkish Student Association at UIUC (2022 – 2023).

Member, Fulbright Student Association at UIUC (2021 - Present).

Graduate Member, Society of Women Engineers (2020 – Present).

Student Member American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (2018 – Present).

Conference Organizations

Secretariat, TOBB ETU-TUBA Energy Conference 2018, October 22-23, TOBB ETU, Ankara, Turkey. Organizer: Prof. Sadik Kakac.

Secretariat, TOBB ETU-TUBA Energy Conference 2017, September 11, TOBB ETU, Ankara, Turkey. Organizer: Prof. Sadik Kakac.

Extracurricular Activities

Korean Language Training, Seokyeong University (2020 – 2021).

English Prep School, TOBB University of Economics and Technology (2011 – 2012).