# Aybora Köksal

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#### **EDUCATION**

# Middle East Technical University (METU)

Ankara, Turkey

Master of Science in Electrical and Electronics Engineering (GPA: 3.71/4.00)

Sep. 2018 - Sep. 2021

Thesis: Moving Object Detection with Supervised Learning Methods

Advisor: Prof. Dr. A. Aydın Alatan, Co-Advisor: Dr. Kutalmış Gökalp İnce

### Middle East Technical University (METU)

Ankara, Turkey

Bachelor of Science in Electrical and Electronics Engineering (GPA: 3.55/4.00)

Sep. 2012 - Jun. 2017

Rank: 27/386 in the department based on GPA, graduated as a High Honor student

### Middle East Technical University (METU)

Ankara, Turkey

Double Major in Mathematics (GPA: 3.06/4.00), graduated as an Honor student

Sep. 2015 - Jun. 2018

#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

# **METU Center For Image Analysis**

Ankara, Turkey

Research Assistant

June 2019 – present

- Academic research about moving object detection
- Fine-tuning, implementing and optimizing a state-of-the-art object detector into a C++ project using TensorRT
- Supervising undergraduate and new graduate students within the center for their projects

ASELSAN Ankara, Turkey
Systems Engineer April 2017 – May 2019

• Research, system integration and algorithm design about communication systems

• Creating Keras/Tensorflow projects for various communication applications

ASELSAN Ankara, Turkey
Summer Intern June 2016 – July 2016

Research and development about smart grids and substation automations

**VESTEL Electronics**Manisa, Turkey

Summer Intern August 2015

• Research and development about circuit boards of state-of-the-art televisions

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

# Middle East Technical University (METU)

Ankara, Turkey

Research and Teaching Assistant

February 2020 – present

- **EE583 Pattern Recognition:** Preparing and grading homeworks
- EE230 Probability and Random Variables, EE430 Digital Signal Processing, EE499 Vector Space Methods: Holding office hours, grading quizzes and homeworks, preparing lecture notes on MT<sub>F</sub>X
- **EE213/214 Electrical/Electronic Circuits Laboratory:** Holding office hours, attending laboratories to supervise undergraduate students, preparing and grading exams, grading student reports

#### **AWARDS AND HONORS**

- Full scholarship from TUBITAK (The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey) to cover MSc studies
- Listed in Dean's High Honor list 5 times and Dean's Honor list 3 times in 8 terms during BSc studies in METU
- Transferred to Electrical and Electronics Engineering with the quota which is offered by institute to the honored students during BSc studies in METU
- Best Paper Award: CVPR 2020 Workshops, 1st Anti-UAV Workshop & Challenge

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- 1. **A. Köksal**, Ö. Tuzcuoğlu, K. G. İnce, Y. Ataseven, A. A. Alatan, "Improved hard example mining approach for single shot object detectors.", IEEE International Conference on Image Processing (ICIP), 2022. **(submitted)** arxiv preprint: 2202.13080
- 2. K. G. İnce, **A. Köksal**, A. Fazla, A. A. Alatan, "Semi-automatic video annotation for visual object tracking.", IEEE/CVF International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV) Workshops, 2021. doi: 10.1109/ICCVW54120.2021.00143
- 3. **A. Köksal**, K. G. İnce, A. A. Alatan, "Effect of annotation errors on drone detection with YOLOv3." IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR) Workshops, 2020. **(Best paper)** doi: 10.1109/CVPRW50498.2020.00523
- 4. **A. Köksal**, E. Akdemir, Ö. Oruç, "Spectrum compression." IEEE Signal Processing and Communications Applications Conference (SIU), 2018. doi: 10.1109/SIU.2018.8404263

#### EXTRACURRICULAR WORK EXPERIENCE

Radio ODTU (METU)

Ankara, Turkey

Music Editor and DJ November 2012 – September 2016

• Responsible for scheduling songs daily and creating Top 40 list weekly

## **SKILLS**

**Languages**: Turkish (native)

English (fluent - TOEFL iBT: 99/120)

Programming Languages: C, C++, Python (with PyTorch, Tensorflow, OpenCV libraries), MATLAB, Bash

OS: MacOS, Ubuntu, Windows

Programs: MS Office, Adobe Audition, Adobe Premiere, Anaconda, PyCharm, LTFX

**Communication**: Participated as a presenter in a couple of events which were conducted by the presidency of the university during student life.

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