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ABOUT ME

Highly motivated scientist with prior experience creating computational modeling and analytical tools for real-world data. A collaborative and independent learner with a passion for developing deep learning methods for the evaluation of neurological disease.

EDUCATION

Cornell University

Ithaca, NY

Ph.D. in Electrical and Computer Engineering

2020 - present

Advisor: Mert Sabuncu

Middle East Technical University

Ankara, Turkey

B.S. in Electrical and Electronics Engineering

2015 - 2020

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Cornell University

New York, NY

Graduate Research Assistant

Sep 2020 - present

Supervisors: Mert Sabuncu, Ray Razlighi (from Weill Cornell Medicine Radiology)

- Focusing on Alzheimer's Disease, my current research builds deep learning methods for predicting future cognitive decline toward dementia and the analysis of molecular and imaging biomarkers.
- Conducted an empirical study to characterize how predictable individual subjects' future Alzheimer's Disease trajectory is, several years in advance, based on rich multi-modal data, and using modern deep learning methods.

Middle East Technical University

Ankara, Turkey

Undergraduate Research Assistant

Mar 2018 - Feb 2020

Supervisor: Selcuk Yerci

- Built simulation software for physical world problems. Worked on mathematical modeling and computational analysis.

PUBLICATIONS

[1] Karaman BK, Mormino EC, Sabuncu MR, for the Alzheimer's Disease Neuroimaging Initiative, Machine learning based multi-modal prediction of future decline toward Alzheimer's disease: An empirical study, PLoS ONE 17, 2022. [Paper] [Code] (Highlighted at Cornell Chronicle on Nov 23rd, 2022. [Article])

SYMPOSIUMS

[1] Machine Learning in Medicine (MLIM) Symposium, Jun 2022, "Machine learning based multi-modal prediction of future decline toward Alzheimer's disease: An empirical study". [Poster]

INDUSTRIAL EXPERIENCE

Aselsan

Ankara, Turkey

Machine Learning Software Intern

May 2019 - Jul 2019

- Built the back-end software of a speaker recognition system with deep learning.
- Delivered a 1-hour presentation on project results and model details to R&D management and fellow engineers.

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Irwin Jacobs Scholar Fellowship, Cornell University, 2020.

- METU High Honor Student Award, given by Middle East Technical University based on graduation grades, 2020.
- EEE STAR Award, given by the Electrical and Electronics Engineering Department at Middle East Technical University for participation in research, 2019.
- Ranked in the top 0.05% in Turkey's nationwide university entrance exam among approximately 2 million candidates, 2015.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Cornell University and Cornell Tech

Graduate Teaching Assistant (Part-time)

New York, NY

Aug 2020 - Dec 2021

 Held office hours and discussion sessions for the graduate level course ECE5415 Applied Digital Signal Processing and Communications.

Cornell University

Ithaca, NY

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Jan 2021 - May 2021

- Mentored students for a term project about MRI registration.
- Held discussion sessions and office hours for the senior level course ECE4250 Digital Signal and Image Processing.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages Python, C/C++, MATLAB, Verilog, LabVIEW, LATEX

Frameworks PyTorch, Tensorflow, Keras, Scikit-Learn, NumPy, Pandas, NetworkX

Statistical Analysis Hypothesis testing, data visualization

Others Linux, COMSOL