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EDUCATION

Koç University (GPA: 3.57/4)

Double major in Computer Engineering & Mathematics

Cryptography, Security, and Theory specialization program (3.91/4)

Dean's Honor Roll (3 semesters) and Vehbi Koc Scholar (2 semesters) for academic achievement.

Istanbul, Turkey

2017 – Present

Üsküdar American Academy

High School

Istanbul, Turkey

2012 – 2017

EXPERIENCE

Research Intern

Koç University Cryptography, Security, and Privacy Research Group

July 2020 – Present

Istanbul, Turkey

- **Supervisor:** Assoc. Prof. Alptekin Küpçü
- Working on the design and implementation of novel offensive and defensive methods involving privacy-preserving machine learning systems.
- Produced two first-author papers (see Research section below), currently under review; one is a set of attacks targeting data and model confidentiality of split learning clients, the other is a method by which split learning clients can detect and prevent *training-hijacking* attacks.
- Using Python and various ML libraries to implement privacy-preserving machine learning methods and attacks against them.

Undergraduate Tutor

Koç University

Feb. 2021 – June 2021

Istanbul, Turkey

- Held weekly tutoring sessions and helped with course administration for the *Computer Networks* course for the Spring 2021 semester.

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant

Koç University

Sep. 2020 – Jan. 2021

Istanbul, Turkey

- Conducted weekly problem solving sessions and held office hours for the *Introduction to Programming with Python* course during the Fall 2020 semester.

Software Development Intern

Proteams

July 2020 – Aug. 2020

Istanbul, Turkey

- Implemented features for different parts of a mobile application, including its back-end server, database, and admin panel.
- Worked with Java and the Spring framework for the backend, PostgreSQL for the database, and Angular for the admin panel.

Summer Intern

IBM

July 2019

Istanbul, Turkey

- Worked within the IBM Cloud & Cognitive team.
- Built a chatbot to answer questions by IBM new hires as a group with the other interns.
- Developed a music generation system using neural networks and built a web interface for it with the other interns. Worked with Python for machine learning and web development.

Software Development Intern

Bitlo Cryptocurrency Exchange

Feb. 2018 – April 2018

Istanbul, Turkey

- Started learning and gained experience using the Spring framework to build web applications. Gained practice with the Java language.

RESEARCH

1. **Ege Erdogan**, Alptekin Kupcu, A. Ercument Cicek. “SplitGuard: Detecting and Mitigating Training-Hijacking Attacks in Split Learning”, 2021; [arXiv:2108.09052](#). [Preprint. Under review.]
2. **Ege Erdogan**, Alptekin Kupcu, A. Ercument Cicek. “UnSplit: Data-Oblivious Model Inversion, Model Stealing, and Label Inference Attacks Against Split Learning”, 2021; [arXiv:2108.09033](#). [Preprint. Under review.]
3. **Ege Erdogan**, Can Arda Aydin, Oznur Ozkasap, Waris Gill. “Demo – Zelig: Customizable Blockchain Simulator”, 2021; [arXiv:2107.07972](#). [Accepted for presentation at the 40th International Symposium on Reliable Distributed Systems (SRDS 2021)]

PROJECTS

Zelig: Customizable Blockchain Simulator (work-in-progress) | Python

- Building a blockchain simulator in Python with the core goals of customizability and extensibility, aiming to address the shortcomings of existing simulators.
- Started as a term project for the Distributed Systems course and resumed as independent work.
- Accepted to be presented at the demo session of the 40th International Symposium on Reliable Distributed Systems (SRDS 2021).

Brick-breaking Game | Java, Swing, MongoDB

- Developed a brick-breaking game as a group of 5 for the Software Engineering course at Koc University.
- Worked with Java Swing libraries for the visuals, and used MongoDB to save user statistics and save games.
- Gained experience with software development tools and methodologies such as agile development, UML diagrams, and design patterns.

Web-based News Reader | Ruby, Ruby on Rails, JavaScript

- Developed a web-based reader scraping and displaying content from Hacker News, Slashdot, and the r/programming subreddit as a solo project.

Course Projects

- Various course projects including Distributed Systems, AI/ML, Computer Security, Computer Networks, Operating Systems, and Digital Design courses among others can be found at <https://github.com/ege-erdogan/coursework>.

ACTIVITIES

Volunteer | Koc University Entrepreneurship Society

2019-2020

- Volunteered as a mentor for the *Zero to One* entrepreneurship conference.
- Worked in the organization of the conference and was responsible of a group of guests on event day.

Member | Uskudar American Academy Percussion Group

2013-2017

- Was a member of the UAA percussion group.
- Participated in various concerts with the group in Belgium, Ankara, Izmir, and Istanbul.

SKILLS & INTERESTS

Human Languages: Turkish (native), English (fluent), German (beginner)

Computer Languages: Python, Java, JavaScript, Go, Ruby, C, Scheme

Frameworks/Libraries

Machine learning/Statistics: PyTorch, Numpy, Matplotlib, scikit-learn

Web: Ruby on Rails, Spring, Bootstrap

Areas of interest: Security & privacy, machine learning, cryptography, web development, theoretical CS