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Education

- 2019 - 2024 Ph.D. in Computer Science, *Institute of Science and Technology Austria (ISTA)*
(expected) • Focus: Runtime verification • Supervisor: Thomas A. Henzinger
- 2014 - 2019 B.Sc. in Computer Science and Engineering, *Sabancı University*
• Minor: Mathematics • Rank: 1 / 544

Research Interests

- Runtime verification
- Formal methods
- Automata theory

Research Experience

- 2019 - now Ph.D. Candidate, *Thomas Henzinger Group at ISTA*
• Project: Runtime monitoring of quantitative specifications
• Formalize and investigate resource-precision tradeoffs in quantitative monitoring.
- 2023 Research Intern, *Center for Digital Safety & Security at Austrian Institute of Technology (AIT)*
• Project: Approximate monitoring of distributed systems
• Conceptualize and implement an approximate monitoring algorithm.
- 2020 Research Rotation Student, *Christoph Lampert Group at ISTA*
• Project: Simplified adversarial training
• Derived a simple optimization objective and implemented it in a new training method.
- 2018 - 2019 Graduation Project Student, *Sabancı University*
• Project: Blockchain-based marketplace for computational services
• Managed the group project for a year, developed and implemented a trustless protocol.
- 2017 Undergraduate Research Intern, *Thomas Henzinger Group at ISTA*
• Project: Infinite-state safety monitors
• Studied expressiveness of several automata models with integer-valued registers.
- 2017 - 2019 Undergraduate Research Assistant, *Sabancı University*
• Project: Synchronizing heuristics for finite-state automata
• Implemented novel heuristics for finding short synchronizing words faster.

Teaching Experience

- 2023 - now "Formalisms Every Computer Scientist Should Know" Teaching Assistant, *ISTA*
- 2023 "Foundations of Model Checking" Guest Lecturer, *ISTA*
- 2022 "Formal Methods" Teaching Assistant, *ISTA*
- 2018 - 2019 "Algorithms" Teaching Assistant, *Sabancı University*
- 2015 - 2018 "Mathematics & Natural Sciences" Peer Study & Workshop Moderator, *Sabancı University*

Academic Honors & Awards

- 2019 Highest Ranking Student (Sakıp Sabancı Award), *Sabancı University*
- 2018 Logic Mentoring Workshop Student Travel Grant, *ACM SIGLOG*
- 2017 Scholarship for Student Researchers, *Österreichischer Austauschdienst (OeAD)*

Professional Service

- 2020 - now Publication database maintainer for Thomas Henzinger Group at ISTA
2021, 2023 Reviewer for FSTTCS, ATVA, CONCUR, ISSE, Thomas Henzinger Festschrift
2023 Pre-screener for PhD applications at ISTA

Publications (*: authors ordered alphabetically)

- 2023 Safety and Liveness of Quantitative Automata
U. Boker, T. A. Henzinger, N. Mazzocchi, N. E. Saraç*
34th Intl. Conf. on Concurrency Theory (CONCUR)
- 2023 Regular Methods for Operator Precedence Languages
T. A. Henzinger, P. Kebis, N. Mazzocchi, N. E. Saraç*
50th Intl. Coll. on Automata, Languages, and Programming (ICALP)
- 2023 Quantitative Safety and Liveness
T. A. Henzinger, N. Mazzocchi, N. E. Saraç*
26th Intl. Conf. on Foundations of Software Science and Computation Structures (FoSSaCS)
- 2022 Abstract Monitors for Quantitative Specifications
T. A. Henzinger, N. Mazzocchi, N. E. Saraç*
22nd Intl. Conf. on Runtime Verification (RV)
- 2021 Quantitative and Approximate Monitoring
T. A. Henzinger, N. E. Saraç*
36th Ann. ACM/IEEE Symp. on Logic in Computer Science (LICS)
- 2021 Boosting Expensive Synchronizing Heuristics
N. E. Saraç, Ö. F. Altun, K. T. Atam, S. Karahoda, K. Kaya, H. Yenigün
Expert Systems with Applications (ESWA), Volume 167
- 2020 Monitorability Under Assumptions (invited paper)
T. A. Henzinger, N. E. Saraç*
20th Intl. Conf. on Runtime Verification (RV)
- 2018 A Theory of Register Monitors
T. Ferrère, T. A. Henzinger, N. E. Saraç*
33rd Ann. ACM/IEEE Symp. on Logic in Computer Science (LICS)

Scientific Talks

- 2023 Safety and Liveness of Quantitative Properties and Automata
• *AIT Dependable Systems Engineering Seminar Series*
- 2022 Advancing the Theory of Quantitative Algorithmic Monitoring
• [*FBK Embedded Systems Seminar Series*](#)
- 2022 • [*It-Matters Seminar Series*](#)
- 2021 Quantitative and Approximate Monitoring
• *ISTA & TU Wien FORSYTE Joint Seminar Series*
- 2020 Monitorability Under Assumptions
• *ISTA & TU Wien FORSYTE Joint Seminar Series*

Skills

- C/C++ (intermediate), Python (basic)
- English (fluent), German (basic), Turkish (native)