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EDUCATION

University of San Francisco

San Francisco, CA

M.S. in Data Science

August, 2020 – August, 2021(expected)

- Relevant Coursework: Probability, Statistics, Data Structures and Algorithms, Python, Data Visualization, Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Reinforcement Learning, NLP, Product Analytics, Design of Experiments, Time Series, Distributed Computing(Spark), SQL, Business Communication, Data Ethics
- Awarded College and Program Scholarships

Yildiz Technical University

Istanbul, TURKEY

Bachelor of Engineering in Mathematical Engineering

September, 2012 – June, 2017

- Relevant Coursework: Linear Algebra, Calculus, Discrete Mathematics, Abstract Mathematics, Algorithms, Programming, OOP, Probability, Statistics, Data Management and File Structures, Optimization, Cryptography, Operations Research, Computer Vision, Image Processing, AI
- Dissertation: "Clustering Methods for Big Data"
- Design Applications in Mathematical Engineering: "Machine Learning with Regression Applications"
- Ranked 4th out of graduates as Honored Student in the department.

Graz University of Technology

Graz, AUSTRIA

Erasmus Exchange Program in Computer Science and Mathematics

October, 2014 – August, 2015

- Participated in the Erasmus Student Exchange Program in fall and spring semesters
- Ranked 1st among the outgoing Erasmus students in the department and awarded EU Scholarship.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Data Science Intern January, $\overline{2021 - Present}$ Oakland, CA Dictionary.com

Contributing Ad revenue maximization by building click prediction models.

Data Analytics Developer

August, 2017 – October, 2020

Turkcell

Istanbul, TURKEY

- Collaborated with the direct marketing analytics team to develop cutting-edege marketing solutions with Java, PL/SQL and Python.
- Developed and maintained real-time streaming analytics systems with Lean Agile Methodologies.
- Automated push notification response collection to provide metrics to the marketing team.
- Integrated data sources to complex event processing systems and enabled event based scenarios for business teams.
- Improved customer experience in SMS channel by refining message response system with text analytics techniques.

Data Science Intern

February, 2017 – March, 2017

EVAM Streaming Analytics

Istanbul, TURKEY

- Identified first ML algorithm for streaming analytics concept with academic resources.
- Implemented density based streaming clustering algorithm DenStream to analytics engine.
- Performed tests for R&D projects with R, Python, Java, Apache Spark and MOA.

Information Technologies and Solution Development Intern

June, 2016 – July, 2016

Anadolu Sigorta

Dugun.com

Istanbul, TURKEY

Collaborated with the DevOps team to develop automated pipelines for application lifecycle management.

Marketing Project Assistant

February, 2014 – August, 2014

Istanbul, TURKEY

- Improved data quality of the customers for the sales team by collecting various data in Call Center.
- Enhanced website content with editors from the marketing team.

PROJECTS

Cancer Classification by Liquid Biopsy, USF

May, 2021

Different types of cancer are classified by various classifiers and neural networks as a part of Advanced Machine Learning course as a team. The final model was in top 10 kaggle leaderboard with 73% accuracy.

Push Notification Response Collection System, Turkcell

September, 2019

As a main ability for direct marketing, a high performance Java REST service is developed for collecting and storing push notification responses for future analytics purposes.

Short Text Message Analytics, Turkcell

SMS texts which are not matched with exact keywords are collected and analyzed with NLP techniques. Meaningful keywords is used for the scenarios in order to improve customer experience. Bundle package sales are increased 15% by enabling to understand unmatched keywords.

TECHNICAL SKILLS