

# Efe İzbudak

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## INTERESTS

Theoretical cryptography, higher category theory, commutative algebra

## EDUCATION

**Middle East Technical University**  
B.S. in Mathematics, GPA: 4.00/4.00

Ankara, TR  
2022–2026

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### Sabanci University

Cryptography and Information Security Group

- Research focused on accelerating homomorphic encryption primitives

İstanbul, TR  
August 29 – Current

### Sabanci University

Biweekly meetings with Ferruh Özbudak, Kamer Kaya, and Selim Kırbyık

- Presenting recent academic papers on post-quantum cryptography

İstanbul, TR  
September 28 – Current

### Sabanci University

Program for Undergraduate Research (PURE)

- Developing accelerators for homomorphic encryption
- Supervisor: Erkay Savaş

İstanbul, TR  
Summer 2024

## CONTRIBUTED TALKS

All Morphisms Are Equal, But Some Morphisms Are More Equal Than Others  
DRP Türkiye

Sabanci University  
September 5, 2024

## LEARNING SEMINARS

### *Serre's Local Algebra*

Özgür Kişisel, 2 talks contributed.

Middle East Technical University  
Spring 2024 – Current

### *Categorical Quantum Mechanics*

Cihan Okay

Bilkent University  
Spring 2024

## SKILLS

- Python, Rust, Shell Scripting
- $\text{\LaTeX}$ , Git, Linux Administration (Gentoo)
- Cryptography, Digital Forensics

## LANGUAGES

- **English:** Fluent
- **French:** Basic reading
- **Turkish:** Native

## CERTIFICATES

- LFD103, The Linux Foundation, February 2023

## MISCELLANEOUS

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### Community contributions

- Tor Project, Relay Operator December 2020 – Current  
*Supporting global internet freedom by maintaining a secure bridge.*
- Gentoo, Proxied Maintainer August 2022 – Current  
*Maintained packages: `sc-im`, `mutt-wizard`, `libxlsxwriter`*
- Qubes, Technical Documentation Writer November 2020 – December 2020  
*We have produced the `split-ssh` method.*

### Founding projects

- Libeiror.org, Founder, System Administrator February 2023 – January 2024  
*Liberior was an organization providing secure and free e-mail/XMPP accounts.*
- Libepub, Founder, System Administrator July 2022 – January 2024  
*Libepub was an online printing service with no initial cost for the author.*

### Freelance experience

- Upwork, Freelance Software Developer July 2022 – September 2023  
*Projects include:  $\text{\LaTeX}$  to MathJax conversion, PDF harvesting and manipulation*