

# EZGİ ÖZYILKAN

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Information Theory      Deep Learning      Source Coding/Compression      Statistical Modeling

## EDUCATION

**NYU Tandon School of Engineering**      September 2021 - Present  
*Ph.D. Electrical and Computer Engineering. Current GPA: 4.0.*      New York, NY

- Advised by Prof. Elza Erkip.

**Imperial College London**      September 2017 - June 2021  
*M.Eng. Electrical Electronics Engineering (Integrated Master's).*      London, UK

- Achieved First Class Honors with an overall score of 77.83 (equivalent to GPA of 4.0).
- M.Eng. thesis topic: *Deep Stereo Image Compression with Decoder Side Information using Wyner Common Information*
- Advised by Prof. Deniz Gündüz.

**Lycée de Galatasaray**      September 2012 - June 2017  
*Anatolian High School Diploma and French Baccalauréat.*      İstanbul, Turkey

- Ranked 173/~1.000.000 in the National Examination to be qualified for this public high school.
- Achieved High Honors (mention très bien).

## PUBLICATIONS

Ezgi Ozyilkan, Johannes Ballé, Elza Erkip, “Learned Wyner–Ziv Compressors Recover Binning”, to appear in *IEEE International Symposium on Information Theory (ISIT)*, Taipei, June 2023.

Ezgi Ozyilkan\*, Mateen Ulhaq\*, Hyomin Choi, Fabien Racapé, “Learned Disentangled Latent Representations for Scalable Image Coding for Humans and Machines”, *IEEE Data Compression Conference (DCC)*, Utah, March 2023.

Nitish Mital\*, Ezgi Ozyilkan\*, Ali Garjani\*, Deniz Gündüz, “Neural Distributed Image Compression with Cross-Attention Feature Alignment”, *IEEE/CVF Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV)*, Hawaii, January 2023.

-GitHub: <https://github.com/ipc-lab/NDIC-CAM>

Nitish Mital\*, Ezgi Ozyilkan\*, Ali Garjani\*, Deniz Gündüz, “Neural Distributed Image Compression using Common Information”, *IEEE Data Compression Conference (DCC)*, Utah, March 2022.

- Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xtK06jh35Jw>

- GitHub: <https://github.com/ipc-lab/NDIC>

## RESEARCH AND EXPERIENCE

**Interdigital AI Lab**      June 2022 - August 2022  
*Graduate R&I Intern. Hosts: Hyomin Choi, Fabien Racapé*      Los Altos, CA

- Worked on deep-learning-based image compression, focusing on scalability.

**IPC Lab, Imperial College London**      April 2020 - September 2020  
*Undergraduate Research Assistant. Advisor: Deniz Gündüz*      London, UK

- Worked on deep-learning-based joint source-channel coding.

**Morgan Stanley**  
*Business and Data Analyst.*

June 2019 - August 2019  
*London, UK*

## TEACHING

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**ECE Department, NYU Tandon School of Engineering** January 2022 - December 2022  
*Graduate (Head) Teaching Assistant.* *New York, NY*

- Probability and Stochastic Processes (Fall 2022)
- Deep Learning (Spring 2022)

**EEE Department, Imperial College London** October 2019 - March 2021  
*Undergraduate Teaching Assistant.* *London, UK*

- Communication Systems I (Spring 2021), Deep Learning (Spring 2021)
- Mathematics for Engineering (Spring 2020, Autumn 2020, Spring 2021)

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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<b>NYU Tandon School of Engineering</b>	Future Leader Ph.D. Fellowship, 2021-2023
<b>Imperial College London</b>	2021 Ivor Tupper Prize for Excellence in Signal Processing
<b>Imperial College London</b>	Research Bursary Award for 6 Months
<b>Imperial College London</b>	Dean's List, 2020 and 2021

## TALKS AND POSTERS

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1. UC Berkeley Simons Institute Workshop on Information-Theoretic Methods for Trustworthy Machine Learning, “Learned Wyner–Ziv Compressors Recover Binning”, Berkeley CA, May 2023. Invited.
2. IEEE Data Compression Conference (DCC), “Learned Disentangled Latent Representations for Scalable Image Coding for Humans and Machines”, Salt Lake City UT, March 2023. Contributed talk.
3. IEEE/CVF Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV), “Neural Distributed Image Compression with Cross-Attention Feature Alignment”, Waikoloa HI, January 2023. Contributed talk.
4. North American School of Information Theory (NASIT), “Neural Distributed Source Coding”, Los Angeles CA, August 2022.
5. IEEE Data Compression Conference (DCC), “Neural Distributed Image Compression using Common Information”, Salt Lake City UT, March 2022. Contributed talk.

## SKILLS

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<b>Software</b>	$\text{\LaTeX}$ , Python, JAX, PyTorch, MATLAB
<b>Languages</b>	English (fluent), French (advanced), Turkish (native)

## REFERENCES

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**Elza Erkip** (PhD Advisor)  
 Institute Professor  
 NYU Tandon School of Engineering  
 Electrical and Computer Engineering  
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**Deniz Gündüz** (Integrated Master Advisor)  
 Professor in Information Processing  
 Imperial College London  
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