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Programming Languages: Java, Python, C/C++, VHDL, SQL, SCPI, Dart, MATLAB

EDUCATION

Koç University, İstanbul, Turkey

Bachelor of Computer Engineering (Double Major), GPA 3.74/4.0

09/2022 - 01/2026

Bachelor of Electrical and Electronics Engineering, GPA 3.74/4.0

09/2021 - 06/2025

Pursues track programs in Cryptography, Security, Data Analytics and Artificial Intelligence. *Awards:* Deans Honor Roll, Vehbi Koç Honor Award -given for semesters with GPA's > 3.75

TED Ankara College Foundation Private High School, Ankara, Turkey

09/2017 - 06/2021

Ranked 2nd in terms of CGPA in the Class of 2021 from approximately 600 students.

Academic Science Program Graduate (CGPA: 97.93/100)

Received 100% merit scholarship based on top 1% ranking in National High School Entrance Exam.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Technical University of Munich, Chair of AI Processor Design, Researcher, Munich, Germany

07/2025 - Present

- Explores integrating configurable approximate multipliers into **neural network accelerators** written in C to study their effect on performance and accuracy.
- Builds a generalizable software interface to automatically identify and replace suitable multiplications in NN layers with approximate variants based on model structure and position.

Technical University of Munich, Chair of AI Processor Design, Researcher, Munich, Germany 06/2024 – 09/2024

- Developed a **Python**-based measurement software to automate data acquisition from oscilloscopes, waveform generators, power supplies, and source measurement units using **SCPI** commands.
- Improved testing capabilities by integrating accurate control and monitoring mechanisms into the software, leading to more intelligent, efficient and precise measurement processes.
- Conducted multiple business trips to Fraunhofer EMFT to apply the software in a practical setting, utilizing their cryostat for testing custom circuit behavior under cryogenic conditions at temperatures down to 0.4K.
- Collaborated with senior researchers, physicists and engineers to refine testing methodologies and experiment throughput, under the supervision of Prof. Dr. Hussam Amrouch.

Koç University, *Undergraduate Researcher*, İstanbul, Turkey

06/2023 - 09/2024

- Participated in the development of a VHDL and Verilog-based RISC-V microprocessor architecture aimed for MNIST dataset classification through convolutional neural networks (CNNs).
- Worked under the supervision of Dr. Mehmet Cengiz Onbaşlı and collaborated with a team of 2 undergraduate students selected from a pool of approximately 150 candidates.
- Contributed to the team's success in earning a **finalist** position in the Microprocessor Design category at **TEKNOFEST 2024 Chip Design Competition.**

Koç University, *Undergraduate Teaching Assistant*, İstanbul, Turkey

02/2024 - 06/2024

- Contributed to the conduction and management of weekly lab sessions for 50 students for the course COMP201: Computer Systems and Programming, taught by Dr. Aykut Erdem.
- Held weekly office hours and provided practical assistance to students about the fundamentals of C and Assembly.

Koç University IT Center, Software Developer Intern, İstanbul, Turkey

04/2023 - 06/2023, 10/2023 - 02/2024

- Contributed to the front-end development of Koç University's new digital platform KUHub using **Flutter**.
- Participated in daily meetings and collaborated with team members to work on the optimization of user experience.
- Worked on the architectural design and development of KUHub's web application using the MVC framework.

Koc University, *Laboratory Assistant and Section Leader*, İstanbul, Turkey

10/2023 - 01/2024

- Conducted weekly lab sessions for 50 students and evaluated lab assignments for the course COMP132: Advanced Programming, taught by Prof. Dr. Öznur Özkasap.
- Delivered weekly office hours and provided hands-on guidance to students about **Java** and OOP.

Savunma Teknolojileri ve Mühendislik A.Ş. (STM), Computer Vision Intern, Ankara, Turkey 07/2023 - 08/2023

- Studied properties of popular aerial image datasets and common challenges that are encountered during detection and evaluation processes along with methods to overcome them.
- Documented my research in a formal report to be published by the company, which helped raise their dataset's mAP results acquired with **YOLOv8** increase by 5%.
- Participated in field work in collaboration with a team of 18 engineers and 8 interns to acquire data to be included in the company's aerial image dataset for object detection.
- Fine-tuned the augmentation parameters of a **YOLOv8** model to increase diversity of training data.

Koc University, *Teaching Assistant*, İstanbul, Turkey

02/2023 - 06/2023

• Conducted weekly office hours and bi-weekly problem-solving sessions for the course ENGR 200: Probability and Random Variables for Engineers, taught by Prof. Dr. Alper Demir, in collaboration with 2 undergraduate students.

Koç University KUIS AI Lab, Research Assistant, İstanbul, Turkey

12/2022 - 04/2023

• Contributed to the labeling of 10,000+ frames by annotating texts and faces that belong to the same character in comic book sequences for a facial recognition project.

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE and EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Koc University KU Orchestra, Vocalist and Guitarist, İstanbul, Turkey

09/2022 - Present

Koç University Undergraduate Journal of Engineering, *Co-Founder and Editor*, İstanbul, Turkey 09/2023 - 09/2024

Istanbul Jazz Festival Genç Caz+ Competition, Winner, İstanbul, Turkey

05/2024

Koç University IEEE Student Branch, Board Member, İstanbul, Turkey

09/2022 - 06/2023

• Contributed to the organization of Engine Your Career'23, which focuses on creating opportunities for students to engage with industry leaders and experienced engineers.

TED Ankara College Youth Symphony Orchestra, President and Saxophonist, Ankara, Turkey

09/2014 - 06/2021

51st TÜBİTAK High School Students Research Project Competition, Participant, Ankara, Turkey

03/2020

• Awarded **1st place** in Technology and Design in the regional finals with a project named "Cybele" that aimed to optimize agricultural production by measuring factors that affect crop yield.

TED Ankara College Politics and Diplomacy Club, *Board Member*, Ankara, Turkey

10/2017 - 06/2020

- Attended 10+ international and national Model UN conferences as a delegate and a chairperson and received "Best Delegate" awards multiple times.
- Provided mentorship to new members of the club by giving presentations on public speaking and guidelines on resolution and position paper writing.

SKILLS AND INTERESTS

Programming Skills: Java (Advanced), Python (Advanced), SQL(Advanced), C/C++ (Advanced), SCPI (Advanced), Dart (Intermediate), MATLAB (Novice), VHDL (Novice), Verilog (Novice)

Computer Skills: LaTeX, Microsoft Office Suite; proficient in Windows, macOS, and Linux

Language Skills: Turkish (Native), English (C2), Spanish (A2-B1), German (A1)

Interests:

- <u>Musical Performance</u>: Guitar player for 10+ years with a London College of Music Examinations Grade 8 certificate on classical guitar playing, amateur singer, interested in jazz specifically.
- <u>Windsurfing:</u> Worked seasonally as a windsurfing instructor for three summers at Beta Bodrum Sailing Academy (2020-2022) and one summer at Otto Sailing Academy (2023), both located in Bodrum, Muğla, Turkey.
- Extreme sports: Skiing and sailing enthusiast.