

## Curriculum Vitae

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## ABOUT

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I am a first-year Ph.D. student in Electrical and Computer Engineering at the University of Texas at Austin. I earned a B.Sc. in Computer Science and Physics as a double major from Bilkent University. My research interests center on the applications and theoretical foundations of deep learning, time-series analysis, LLMs, and optimization.

## EDUCATION

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**University of Texas at Austin**, Austin, Texas  
*Ph.D. in Electrical and Computer Engineering*  
*Advisors: Prof. Sujay Sanghavi and Prof. Haris Vikalo*

September 2025 — June 20230  
Cumulative GPA: N/A

**Bilkent University**, Ankara, Turkey  
*B.S. in Computer Science*

September 2020 — June 2025  
Cumulative GPA: 3.95/4.00

**Bilkent University**, Ankara, Turkey  
*B.S. in Physics (Valedictorian)*

September 2021 — June 2025  
Cumulative GPA: 3.96/4.00

## PUBLICATIONS

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- E. O. Taga, H. A. Gozeten, **K. Tire**, R. Dalvi, R. Heckel, and S. Oymak, “Filter, Augment, Forecast: Online Data Selection for Robust Time Series Forecasting,” *ICML 2025 Workshop on Foundation Models for Sequential Data (FMSD)*, 2025.
- **K. Tire**, E. O. Taga, M. E. Ildiz, and S. Oymak, “Retrieval-Augmented Time Series Forecasting,” *AAAI-25 Workshop on AI for Time Series Analysis (AI4TS)*, 2025. Available: <https://doi.org/10.48550/arXiv.2411.08249>
- **K. Tire**, B. Cakar, and E. Tuzun, “Evaluating the Impact of Data Cleaning on the Quality of Generated Pull Request Descriptions,” *arXiv preprint arXiv:2505.01120*, 2025. Available: <https://arxiv.org/abs/2505.01120>

## ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

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**University of Texas at Austin**  
*Graduate Researcher*

Austin, USA  
August 2025 — Present

- **Supervisor:** Prof. Sujay Sanghavi and Prof. Haris Vikalo

**University of Michigan**  
*Research Intern*

Ann Arbor, USA  
June 2024 — Present

- Working on a covariance-aware tokenization strategy for time-series transformers with theoretical guarantees on solving constrained quadratic programmes.
- Investigated and demonstrated the positive effect of RAG (Retrieval-augmented Generation) in the time series domain.
- **Supervisor:** Prof. Samet Oymak

**BILSEN**  
*Undergraduate Researcher*

Ankara, Turkey  
September 2023 — June 2024

- Conducted a comprehensive analysis of the impact of data cleaning on the performance of transformer-based models, such as T5 and BART, for automatic pull request description generation.
- **Supervisor:** Prof. Eray Tüzün

**University of Cambridge**  
*Summer Research Intern*

Cambridge, UK  
June 2023 — September 2023

- Developed Neural-MLS, a novel deep learning approach on point clouds, to acquire weights, which are then utilized in mesh construction through Implicit Moving Least Squares (IMLS).
- **Supervisor:** Prof. Cengiz Öztireli

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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- **ECE Departmental Fellowship** at the University of Texas at Austin 2025
- **Valedictorian** of the Physics cohort at Bilkent University 2025
- **Productivity Award** for senior design project at the CS Fair at Bilkent University 2024
- **High Honor Student** at Bilkent University, maintained a GPA of 3.5 or higher each semester 2020–2025
- **Tuition Scholarship** at Bilkent University, awarded for success in the University Entrance Exam 2020
- **Valedictorian** of TED Ankara College Private High School, graduating with a CGPA of 99.15 2020
- **Valedictorian** of TED Ankara College Private Middle School, graduating with a CGPA of 98.53 2016

## PROJECTS

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- **PieR:** PieR is a software analytics project that leverages AI and Machine Learning for pull request classification. For a specific repository, the project analyzes incoming pull requests to classify them into categories. This project was developed as a senior project and received the **Productivity Award**. I served as the Head of ML.
- **Career Bridge:** A LinkedIn-like web application designed to connect professionals with job opportunities. This application was developed for the CS353 - Database Systems course at Bilkent University. I created the backend using Python FastAPI and contributed to the database management of the project.
- **Erasmus Manager (ERSMS):** This project aimed to eliminate paperwork and streamline the work of exchange coordinators and students by moving the entire Erasmus process to a web-based digital platform. I developed the front-end using AngularJS as part of the CS319 - Object-Oriented Programming course. Designed for use by students and coordinators at Bilkent University, the project was selected as the best among 25 other projects.

## OTHER EXPERIENCES

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### IBM Qiskit Global Summer School

Summer School Participant

Online

July 2023 — August 2023

- Attended Qiskit Global Summer School. The program included 3 hours of lectures and 2 hours of lab assignments covering topics such as Quantum Algorithms (Grover, Deutsch-Josza, Quantum Fourier Transform), Quantum Teleportation, Error Mitigation. Completed lab assignments successfully and earned Quantum Excellence Certificate.

### SNG Studios

Undergraduate Intern

Ankara, Turkey

August 2022 — September 2022

- Developed an interactive graph visualization of user data utilizing the NetworkX library. Performed data analysis using machine learning algorithms from the Scikit-learn library.

## SKILLS

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<b>Technical Skills</b>	C, C++, Python, PyTorch, Java, SystemVerilog, MATLAB, MySQL, Qiskit
<b>Soft Skills</b>	Critical Thinking, Problem-Solving, Creativity, Effective Communication
<b>Language Skills</b>	Turkish (Native), English (Fluent), German (Intermediate)

## SELECTED COURSES

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### Computer Science Courses

- Statistical Learning and Data Analytics
- Deep Generative Networks
- Introduction to Machine Learning
- Algorithms
- Basics of Signals and Systems

### Physics Courses

- Topics in Quantum Information
- Theory of General Relativity
- Numerical Methods in Physics
- Advanced Calculus for Applications in Physics
- Quantum Mechanics

## ENGLISH TESTS

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**TOEFL iBT:** 114 (overall score) — Listening: 28 — Reading: 28 — Speaking: 29 — Writing: 29 — Test date: June 2024

## EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

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- Member of General Assembly in Bilkent Chess Club. Regularly organized chess tournaments every 2 weeks to entertain the students.