## Muhammed Yavuz Nuzumlalı

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**SUMMARY** 

I am a Ph.D. student at Yale University focused on Natural Language Processing (NLP) and Machine Learning (ML) areas as well as being an open-source software contributor and believer.

**EDUCATION** 

Yale University,

New Haven, U.S.

• Ph.D. in Computer Science,

August 2017 - Present

Bogazici University,

Istanbul, Turkey

• M.S. in Computer Engineering,

September 2011 - January 2015

• B.S. in Computer Engineering,

September 2006 - June 2011

PUBLICATIONS Nuzumlalı, M. Y., & Özgür, A. (2014). Analyzing Stemming Approaches for Turkish Multi-Document Summarization. In Proceedings of the 2014 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP) (pp. 702-706)

**THESIS** 

Nuzumlalı, M. Y.. Analyzing Stemming And Sentence Simplification Methodologies For Turkish Multi-Document Text Summarization. 2015, M.S. Thesis

TECHNOLOGY **SKILLS** 

Proficient: Objective-C, Python, Ruby

Competent: C++, C, Java

Familiar: Swift, Perl, Bash, MATLAB, Octave

RESEARCH **EXPERIENCE** 

#### Research Intern at IBM

June 2019 - August 2019

• Worked on developing a bayesian hyperparameter optimization method for contextual bandits.

## Ph.D. Student at Yale University

August 2017 - May 2019

• Developed a label attention based Temporal Convolutional Network (TCN) that provides significant performance gains for Medical Coding problem.

## Ph.D. Student at Bogazici University

January 2016 - August 2017

• Performed research on online matrix factorization techniques and their usage on the analysis of time series data.

#### M.S. Student at Bogazici University

September 2011 - January 2015

• Developed the first Multi-Document Summarization (MDS) system for Turkish.

- Created the first public multi-document summarization dataset for Turkish.
- Analyzed in-detail the effects of using different stemming policies on summary quality. This study is accepted to EMNLP 2014 conference.
- Developed the first sentence simplification system for Turkish.
  - Applied simplification as a preprocessing step in MDS problem, analyzed the effects on summary quality.

### Member of AILab at Bogazici University

June 2010 - June 2011

- Attended to RoboCup Rescue Simulation League with RoboAKUT team. We became the 5th best team in the competition among 16 teams.
- Proposed and implemented a bidirectional A\* search algorithm for searching of humans by agents in the competition. The new algorithm reduced the average search time by approximately 40%.

# PROFESSIONAL Mobile Software Architect at Pointr EXPERIENCE

April 2017 - September 2017 January 2018 - September 2018 September 2019 - Present

• Working as a consultant to improve iOS & Android SDK quality and overall software development life cycle and developer experience.

# Senior Software Engineer at Inomera Research January 2013 - February 2017

- Lead Machine Learning Engineer at Netmera June 2016 February 2017
  - Led the research project, which aimed to automatically analyze a huge amount of user behavior data collected from mobile applications, and make inferences and recommendations with the help of ML and NLP techniques. Developed PoC models for following problems:
    - \* Selecting the audience automatically for a campaign to be delivered
    - \* Clustering people according to their behaviors and personal attributes, and automatically proposing keywords for a campaign message targeting a particular cluster according to their common interests.
- Technical leader of the iOS team
  - Rewrote Netmera iOS SDK from scratch. It has great test coverage, and all testing and deployment process is automated via continuous integration. It received great customer reception because of its API quality and robustness.
  - Was responsible for mentoring engineers, reviewing codes, deciding code standards, assuring best practices are followed.
- Led the company during the adoption of software development standards like code reviewing, testing, maintaining coverage, continuous integration, continuous delivery, and automatic code analysis.
- Pioneered the migration from central version control systems like CVS and Subversion to qit in the whole company.

## iOS Developer at Arneca Technology

July 2011 - January 2013

 Developed a few interactive magazine applications, an EPUB reader application, and a template application used to robustly publish 30+ applications for different events organized around the world.

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October 2015 - August 2017

- Reduced "pod search" command's response time for full text search by 90% by implementing an inverted document index for search.
- Reduced "pod install" command's completion time by a factor of 6 for some specific cases where same set of exact file paths are included by multiple pods. This is achieved by adding a cache data structure to reduce repetitive disk access to same folders, and using sets instead of arrays for a task which requires an intersection operation over two long arrays having lots of common values.
- Made significant contributions to the project by adding lots of new features and fixing hundreds of issues reported by users.

# CERTIFICATES Coursera

• Machine Learning (Stanford University)

April 2015

• Mining Massive Datasets (Stanford University)

March 2015

### OTHER SKILLS Spoken Languages

- Turkish (Native)
- English (Proficient)