# Oğuzhan Fatih Kar

### **PERSONAL DETAILS**

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Interests robustness, computer vision, machine learning, computational imaging

### **EDUCATION**

### Ph.D. in Computer Science

2019-Present

Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (EPFL), Lausanne, Switzerland Advisor: Amir Zamir

### M.S. in Electrical and Electronics Engineering (CGPA: 3.93/4.00)

2017-2019

Middle East Technical University (METU), Ankara, Turkey

Advisor: Figen S. Oktem

Thesis: Computational spectral imaging techniques using diffractive lenses and compressive sensing

### B.S. in Electrical and Electronics Engineering (CGPA: 3.90/4.00)

2013-2017

Middle East Technical University (METU), Ankara, Turkey

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### **Research and Teaching Assistant**

2019-Present

Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (EPFL), Lausanne, Switzerland

- Research on robustness of machine learning models.
- TA courses: Analysis I (Fall 2020, 2022), Analysis II (Spring 2020, 2021), Analysis-A (Spring 2022), Visual intelligence: machines and minds (Fall 2021, Spring 2023 (Head TA)).

### **Research Engineer**

2017-2019

ASELSAN Research Center, Ankara, Turkey

• Research on novel reconstruction techniques for computational imaging.

### **Research Intern**

2016

ASELSAN Research Center, Ankara, Turkey

Developed and implemented non-uniformity correction algorithms for infrared imaging.

### **Research Intern**

2015

TUBITAK SAGE, Ankara, Turkey

• Implemented communication protocols between FPGA and ADC.

### **AWARDS AND HONORS**

**EPFL Computer and Communication Sciences Doctoral Program**: EDIC Fellowship for the first year of Ph.D. studies (52k CHF), 2019-2020

**TUBITAK** (Scientific and Technical Research Council of Turkey): Full scholarship for M.S. studies, 2017-2019

**METU Graduate School of Natural and Applied Sciences**: Graduate courses performance award, 2019

**METU Electrical and Electronics Engineering Department**: Best Poster Presentation award in GRAD STAR Departmental Poster Competition, 2018

IEEE: Travel award for International Conference on Image Processing (ICIP), 2018

**METU Electrical and Electronics Engineering Department**: Dr. Bulent Kerim Altay award for 4.0/4.0 GPA in Fall semester, 2015

8 times (all semesters) listed in Dean's High Honor Roll, METU, 2013-2017

**Ranked 228th** in National University Entrance Exam 1st stage among 2 million students, 2012 **Ranked 159th** in National University Entrance Exam 2nd stage among 2 million students, 2012

### **PUBLICATIONS**

### Conference Publications (\* denotes equal contribution)

- **1.** T. Yeo, **O. F. Kar**, O. Beker, Z. Sodagar, A. Zamir, "Fast adaptation of neural networks using test-time feedback." In review, 2022.
- **2. O. F. Kar**, T. Yeo, A. Atanov, A. Zamir, "3D common corruptions and data augmentation." CVPR, 2022. (**Oral presentation, top 4**%). Project page: https://3dcommoncorruptions.epfl.ch/
- **3. O. F. Kar**, T. Yeo, A. Zamir, "3D common corruptions for object recognition." ICML Shift Happens Workshop, 2022. (**Invited**). Project page: https://3dcommoncorruptions.epfl.ch/
- **4.** T. Yeo\*, **O. F. Kar\***, A. Zamir, "Robustness via cross-domain ensembles." ICCV, 2021. (**Oral presentation, top 3%**). Project page: https://crossdomain-ensembles.epfl.ch/
- **5.** A. Zamir\*, A. Sax\*, T. Yeo, **O. F. Kar**, N. Cheerla, R. Suri, Z. Cao, J. Malik, L. Guibas, "Robust learning through cross-task consistency." Arxiv, 2020. CVPR, 2020. (**Oral presentation, best paper award nomination**). Project page: https://consistency.epfl.ch/
- **6. O. F. Kar**, A. Gungor, H. E. Guven, "Real-time compressive video reconstruction for spatial multiplexing cameras." IEEE Global Conference on Signal and Information Processing (GLOB-ALSIP), 2019. (**Oral presentation**)
- **7. O. F. Kar**, A. Gungor, H. E. Guven, "Learning based regularization for spatial multiplexing cameras." IEEE Global Conference on Signal and Information Processing (GLOBALSIP), 2019.
- **8.** A. Gungor\*, **O. F. Kar\***, "A transform learning based deconvolution technique with superresolution and microscanning applications." IEEE International Conference on Image Processing (ICIP), 2019.
- **9. O. F. Kar**, F. S. Oktem, "Fast computational spectral imaging using photon sieves." OSA Imaging and Applied Optics Congress, 2019. (**Oral presentation**)
- **10. O. F. Kar**, A. Gungor, H. E. Guven, "Optimal number of measurement analysis for coded compressive focal plane array imager." IEEE Signal Processing and Communications Applications Conference (SIU), 2019. (**Oral presentation**) (**National conference**)
- **11. O. F. Kar**, A. Gungor, H. E. Guven, "Compressive focal plane array imager reconstruction using learning based regularization." IEEE Signal Processing and Communications Applications Conference (SIU), 2019. (**Oral presentation**) (**National conference**)
- **12. O. F. Kar**, A. Gungor, S. Ilbey, C. B. Top, H. E. Guven, "A performance analysis on the optimal number of measurements for coded compressive imaging." IEEE Global Conference on Signal and Information Processing (GLOBALSIP), 2018. (**Oral presentation**)
- 13. A. Gungor, O. F. Kar, H. E. Guven, "A matrix-free reconstruction method for compressive

focal plane array imaging." IEEE International Conference on Image Processing (ICIP), 2018.

- **14. O. F. Kar**, U. Kamaci, F. C. Akyon, F. S. Oktem, "Compressive photon-sieve spectral imaging." OSA Imaging and Applied Optics Congress, 2018. (**Oral presentation**)
- **15. O. F. Kar**, A. Gungor, S. Ilbey, H. E. Guven, "An efficient parallel algorithm for single-pixel and FPA imaging." SPIE Defense and Commercial Sensing Conference, 2018. (**Oral presentation**)
- **16. O. F. Kar**, A. Gungor, H. E. Guven, "An adaptive relaxed alternating direction method of multipliers for compressive focal plane array imaging." IEEE Signal Processing and Communications Applications Conference (SIU), 2018. (**Oral presentation**) (**National conference**)
- **17. O. F. Kar**, U. Kamaci, F. C. Akyon, F. S. Oktem, "Effect of different sparsity priors on compressive photon-sieve spectral imaging." IEEE Signal Processing and Communications Applications Conference (SIU), 2018. (**Oral presentation**) (**National conference**)

#### Journal Publications

- **1.** F. S. Oktem, **O. F. Kar**, C. D. Bezek, F. Kamalabadi, "High-resolution multi-spectral imaging with diffractive lenses and learned reconstruction." IEEE Transactions on Computational Imaging, 2021.
- **2. O. F. Kar**, F. S. Oktem, "Compressive spectral imaging with diffractive lenses." Optics Letters, 2019.

### OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

#### **Invited Talks:**

- Rising Stars in AI Symposium, KAUST, Saudi Arabia (February 2023).
- TrustML Young Scientist Seminar, RIKEN AIP, Japan (November 2022, remote).

#### **Academic Demo:**

• O. F. Kar, A. Sax, T. Yeo, A. Zamir, "Robust learning through cross-task consistency." ECCV, 2020.

### Journal Reviewer:

• Optics Express, Applied Optics

#### **Conference Reviewer:**

• ICLR, CVPR, ECCV, ICCV, EUSIPCO

### **PhD Application Evaluator:**

- ELLIS: Fall 2021 (pre-screening)
- EPFL EDIC: Fall 2021, Spring 2022, Fall 2022

### **Head Teaching Assistant:**

• CS-503: Visual intelligence: machines and minds (Spring 2023)

#### **EPFL EDIC Buddy Program:**

• Volunteered at the PhD Buddy Program aimed at helping new students integrate with the school and Lausanne for the years 2021, 2022, 2023.

## **SKILLS**

Languages Turkish (mother tongue)

English (very fluent, TOEFL score: 106/120)

French (A2)

Computer Python, PyTorch, MATLAB, C, C++, LaTeX, Linux, Bash, Javascript