# Mesut Şafak BİLİCİ

## **EDUCATION**

- Yıldız Technical University (YTU): 2017 2022
  - Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering, 4<sup>rd</sup> grade
  - Grade Point Average: 3.48

### Work & Research Experience

- Natural Language Processing Engineer at Artiwise: 06/2021 08/2021
  - Worked on dialogue act classification and emotion recognition in conversation systems.
  - Implemented Aspect Based Sentiment Analysis models for advanced customer review analytics.
- Data Science Intern at Scoutium: 07/2020 09/2020
  - Integrated data processing scripts for football analytics with Python.
  - Created a flexible Python package for REST API integration with AWS S3 pipeline.
  - Big data management with MySQL and AWS Environments.
- Researcher at YTU NOVA Lab.: 12/2020 ...
  - Research lab under the supervision of Assoc. Prof. Dr. Mehmet Fatih Amasyali.
  - Developed a novel sentence augmentation technique with Variational Inference and GRUs for low resource languages.

#### Volunteer

- Lecturer at SkyLab and Data Science Community at Yildiz Technical University:
  - Introduction To Machine Learning, 02/2020 03/2020
  - Introduction To Deep Learning, 10/2020 11/2020
- Founder & Researcher at Sky Lab AI Research: 03/2020 06/2021
  - Conducting scientific research, projects and lectures under a student's club.
- Deep Learning Study Group Guide at inzva:
  - Guidance for 2 weeks of 12-weeks-long advanced Deep Learning study group.
    Covered topics: word embeddings, sequential models, neural machine translation.

#### **PROJECTS**

- Academic Paper Title Recommender: Supervised text summarization /title generation based on academic paper abstracts, with sequence to sequence LSTM and T5.
- Predicting Cryptocurrency Rates Using Financial Statements Made On Twitter: Stock market prediction using Twitter related statistical features with various Time Series & Boosting models, and real-time deployment for inference.
- **x-tagger:** A Natural Language Processing toolkit for part of speech tagging and named entity recognition with various computational linguistics and deep learning methods.

## SKILLS & KNOWLEDGE

- Software: Python, C/C++, R, Java, Haskell, Shell, Tableau.
- Database: MySQL, PostgreSQL, PL/pgSQL.
- Cloud Services: AWS S3, AWS Athena.
- Soft Skills: Teamwork, Problem-Solving, Analytical Thinking, Communication.

# Interests

- Academic and Professional: Natural Language Processing, Data Science, Machine Learning, Data Engineering, Bayesian Machine Learning.
- **Personal:** I am a piano player and Classical Music composer. I have 2 compositions albums and 1 album with my Progressive Rock ex-band.



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# Publications & Preprints

- E. Sadi Uysal, M. Şafak Bilici et al. "Exploring The Limits Of Data Augmentation For Retinal Vessel Segmentation",
  2021. arXiv: 2105.09365 [eess.IV]
- M. Şafak Bilici, Mehmet Fatih Amasyali. "Variational Sentence Augmentation For Masked Language Modeling" in Innovations in Intelligent Systems and Applications Conference (ASYU), 2021.