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EDUCATION

Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

August 2017 – present

Ph.D. in Informatics, Complex Networks and Systems track

- Advisor: Assoc. Prof. Filippo Radicchi
- Minor: Computer Science

M.S. in Informatics

# Boğaziçi University, Istanbul, Turkey

M.S. in Industrial Engineering

September 2014 - August 2016

- Advisor: Assoc. Prof. Gönenç Yücel
- Thesis Title: Influence Maximization Based on Partial Network Structure Information: A Comparative Analysis on Seed Selection Heuristics

B.S. in Industrial Engineering

**September 2010 – June 2014** 

• Graduation Project: Analyzing Parking Stand Requirements for Istanbul Ataturk Airport

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

# Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

Research & Teaching Assistant

August 2017 – present

• Assisted courses: INFO-I 369 - Performance Analytics (Spring 2020, Spring 2021)

### Boğaziçi University, Istanbul, Turkey

Research & Teaching Assistant

October 2014 - August 2017

- Assisted courses:
  - IE 312 Facilities Design and Planning (Fall 2014, Fall 2015, Fall 2016)
  - IE 350 Systems Science and Engineering (Spring 2015, Spring 2016)
  - IE 484 Simulation Gaming and Decision Experimentation (Fall 2016)
  - IE 48F Agent-Based Modeling and Simulation (Spring 2015, Spring 2016, Spring 2017)
  - IE 550 Dynamics of Socio-Economic Systems (Fall 2015)
- Assistant at Socio-Economic System Dynamics (SESDYN) Laboratory

Work Experience

# Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, Richland, WA

June 2021 – August 2021

Ph.D. Intern

I worked on multiple projects on influence maximization. I designed heuristic methods for the influence maximization problem on static networks, and analyzed their efficiency on small and large scale networks. I worked on the adaptive influence maximization problem in temporal networks, designing methods to increase the effect size of seed sets.

Honors & Awards

IU Luddy Summer Research Award (\$4400)

2022

#### Publications

#### **Published:**

Who is the best coach of all time? A network-based assessment of the career performance of professional sports coaches

**Ş. Erkol** and F. Radicchi, *Journal of Complex Networks*, 9, cnab012 (2021) [DOI] [arXiv] [Website]

Influence maximization on temporal networks

**Ş. Erkol**, D. Mazzilli and F. Radicchi, *Physical Review E*, 102, 042307 (2020) [DOI] [arXiv]

Systematic comparison between methods for the detection of influential spreaders in complex networks **Ş. Erkol**, C. Castellano and F. Radicchi, *Scientific Reports*, 9, 15095 (2019) [DOI] [arXiv]

Influence maximization in noisy networks

 $\P.$  Erkol, A. Faqeeh and F. Radicchi,  $EPL,\,123,\,58007$  (2018) [DOI] [arXiv]

Influence Maximization Based on Partial Network Structure Information: A Comparative Analysis on Seed Selection Heuristics

**Ş. Erkol** and G. Yücel, International Journal of Modern Physics C, 28, 1750122 (2017) [DOI]

### Under review:

Effective submodularity of influence maximization on temporal networks **Ş. Erkol**, D. Mazzilli and F. Radicchi [arXiv]

#### Presentations

#### Talks:

Influence maximization on temporal networks, Networks2021, Online

July 2021

Influence maximization on temporal networks, University of Limerick, Ireland, Online

March 2021

# Posters:

Systematic comparison between methods for the detection of influential spreaders in complex networks, NetSci, Online

September 2020

Influence maximization in noisy networks, NetSci, Burlington, VT, USA

May 2019

### COMMUNITY SERVICE

Journal Reviewer: Chaos, Solitons & Fractals; Expert Systems with Applications; Journal of Computational Science; Pattern Recognition

Journal Subreviewer: PLoS One

# Computer

Frequent user of Python, LATEX

SKILLS

Experierce in Django, NetLogo, HTML, CSS Familiar with MySQL, C, R, Git, Stella

#### LANGUAGES

English (fluent), Turkish (native), Armenian (native), French (beginner), Spanish (beginner)

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