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EDUCATION

New York University Tandon School of Engineering, Brooklyn NY
PhD in Electrical Engineering - Supervisor: Prof. Shivendra Panwar

September 2020 - ongoing
CGPA: 3.81

Bilkent University, Ankara TR
B.Sc. in Electrical and Electronics Engineering
Minor Degree in Political Science

August 2015 - January 2020
CGPA: 3.76
CGPA: 3.73

AGH University of Science and Technology, Cracow PL
Exchange Student in Electrical Engineering

February 2018 - July 2018

EXPERIENCE

Marvell Semiconductors, Santa Clara CA USA
Switch Architect Engineer Intern

June - August 2024

Worked on the Ultra Ethernet protocol suite being developed for Data Center Networks. Conducted simulations with proposed UET transport algorithms. Built Markov models to guide the Teralynx switch architecture design.

AT&T Labs, Bedminster NJ USA
Summer Research Intern

June - August 2023

Worked on modeling 5G Radio Resource Control layer and adjusting states transitions by tuning inactivity timers to optimize for KPIs, with potential benefits for RAN optimization and Open-RAN implementations.

Nokia Bell Labs, Murray Hill NJ USA
Networking Research Intern

June - August 2022

Worked on efficiently solving traffic oblivious flow routing problems using machine learning methods with Murali Kodialam and Tv Lakshman of Bell Labs Core Research. (See publications & awards.)

NYU Tandon School of Engineering, Brooklyn NY USA
Course Assistant

Sept 2021 - ongoing

Teaching, grading, assignment preparation and administrative duties on graduate Internet Architectures & Protocols, Network Modeling & Analysis and Network Security Classes taught by Prof. Shivendra Panwar.

Darkblue Telecommunication Systems, Ankara TR
Project Engineer

February - August 2020

Worked on positioning UAVs by tracking time shifts in Channel Reference Signals of multiple LTE base stations and processing them with an Extended Kalman Filter model. Collected samples using USRPs and implemented a proof of concept on MATLAB.

Fraunhofer Institute for Integrated Circuits, Erlangen DE
Undergraduate Research Intern

June - September 2019

Development of an OFDM based physical layer cooperative telecommunications simulator on Python for evaluation of proposed relaying schemes while using cyclic delay diversity at the transmitting antennas.

PUBLICATIONS

Designing Reliable Virtualized Radio Access Networks

To appear at IEEE Globecom 2024

Ufuk Usubutun, Andre Gomes, Shankarayanan P. Narayanan, Matti Hiltunen, Shivendra Panwar

Oblivious Routing Using Learning Methods

IEEE Globecom 2023

Ufuk Usubutun, Murali Kodialam, T.V. Lakshman, Shivendra Panwar

Do Switches Still Need to Deliver Packets in Sequence?

IEEE HPSR 2023

Ufuk Usubutun, Fraida Fund, Shivendra Panwar

Best Paper Award

SKILLS

Experience With	Standards: IETF RFCs, 3GPP, Open-RAN, Ultra Ethernet Transport Networking Testbeds and Experimentation: Analysis of Packet Captures System Modeling: Queuing Theory, Markov Chains, TCP Congestion Control Flavors and Loss Detection Algorithms Network Optimization Theory
Related Course Work	Internet Architecture & Protocols, Network Modeling & Analysis, Probability, Cloud Computing & DCNs, Data Structures & Algorithms, Optimization, Wireless Comms., Machine Learning, AI/ML for Networking Reinforcement Learning & Optimal Control, Network Optimization
Programming Experience	<i>bash</i> scripting for large scale network experiments, linux kernel patching Python, Matlab implementations of routing optimization, Markov Chains <i>pandas</i> analysis of network experimental data, packet captures, Matlab LTE, 5G and Control System Toolbox experience, Java and Python OOP experience

ONGOING PROJECTS

On Packet Reordering and Time Based Loss Detection

Using our conclusions from HPSR 23', we are interested in (i) obtaining analytical bounds for tolerability of packet reordering under time based methods, (ii) discovering cases of wireless communications and multipath.

On 5G Radio Resource Control Layer State Space

In continuation of my summer internship work at AT&T Labs, I am working to model and optimize the 5G RRC State Space. I am also considering a potential extension to Carrier Aggregation.

On Oblivious Routing

Using our method from Globecom 23', we are interested in (i) obtaining different ways of solving this problem, (ii) applying this idea to disaster recovery resource provisioning problems under limited network knowledge.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

2024 - The Dante Youla Award for Graduate Research Excellence	NYU Tandon ECE Dept.
2023 - Best Paper Award	IEEE HPSR 2023 Co-Chairs
2022 - Outstanding Innovation Award	Nokia Global Student Program

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

Scored in the top 0.25% in the Turkey-wide University Entrance Exam with around 2 Million exam takers.

Awarded Academic Excellence Scholarships waiving tuition of undergraduate studies.

School of Engineering Fellow at NYU Tandon. Covers tuition, health insurance and stipend through PhD.

LANGUAGES

Turkish: Native

English: Fluent

French: Proficient

TOEFL Score: 109/120

Delf B2 Certificate

VOLUNTARY ACTIVITIES

Mentorship to High School Students within NYU Tandon ARISE High School Research Program.

Co-leading of high school FRC robotics team Anatolian Eaglebots 3390. Gave basic coding and electronics trainings for high school students and took part in design and strategy decisions for the team.

Executive Board Membership of Sociology Club for 2.5 years at Bilkent University. Organized conferences, discussion sessions and guided city walks with academics.

Participant and Executive Board Member of Theatre and Improvisation Club for 4 years at Bilkent University. Acted in plays and improvisations. Directed an planned numerous improvisation sessions.

PERSONAL TRAITS

Passionate about history, foreign languages and jazz.