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EDUCATION

MSc. Computer Science and Engineering

1998-2001

Marmara University, Dept. of Computer Science and Engineering

Thesis Title: "An Application Of Linear Cryptanalysis Method To DES Block Cipher"

MSc. Mathematics 1993-1996

Middle East Technical University, Dept. of Mathematics, Thesis title: "Π-Partial Characters"

BSc. Mathematics

Middle East Technical University, Dept. of Mathematics

1989-1993

WORK EXPERIENCE

Abbreviations:

- TÜBİTAK: Scientific and Technological Research Council, Turkey
- BİLGEM: Informatics and Information Security Research Center, Turkey
- UEKAE: National Research Institute of Electronics & Cryptology
- METU: Middle East Technical University, Turkey

Visiting Instructor, Department of Computer Science and Software Engineering, Miami University, Oxford, OH

Teaching Quantum, Data Security, Cryptography (Graduate), Cybersecurity

2025- present

Avionics Systems Engineer, TÜBİTAK-BİLGEM

Validation and verification of security systems of National Combat Aircraft

2021-2022

Deputy Project Manager, TÜBİTAK-BİLGEM

National Combat Aircraft

2019-2021

Configuration Management Manager, $\ddot{\text{UBITAK-BILGEM}}$

National Combat Aircraft

2018-2019

Project Monitoring and Evaluation, $T\ddot{\mathbf{U}}\mathbf{B}\dot{\mathbf{I}}\mathbf{T}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{K}\mathbf{-B}\dot{\mathbf{I}}\mathbf{L}\mathbf{G}\mathbf{E}\mathbf{M}$

Administrative observation of ongoing projects

2017-2018

General Coordinator, TÜBİTAK-BİLGEM

2013-2018

General coordinator of an umbrella initiative that includes multiple research and engineering projects with multi-million dollars budget. Main responsibilities are bridging the technical staff and the end users, consulting the customers on their needs and possible solutions, administrative and financial follow-up of the projects.

Science for Society Projects Manager, TÜBİTAK-BİLGEM

2010-2015

Founded, developed, and led various special short-term educational programs, mainly summer and winter schools, targeting K12 students, high-school students, university undergraduate and graduate students, and experienced researchers. The list of events are as follows:

- 2013 Summer School on Selected Topics in Massive Data Management (CS undergraduates/graduates)
- 2013 Open Problems in Mathematical and Computational Sciences (Gathering of international renown cryptography researchers. Given talks were then collected in the book https://link.springer.com/book/10.1007/978-3-319-10683-0)
- 2014 Summer Schools on Cryptology (For K12/high-school/gifted high school students, university undergraduates, high school teachers)
- 2014 Arithmetic of Finite Fields (WAIFI): https://link.springer.com/content/pdf/bfm\%3A978-3-319-16277-5\%2F1
- 2015 Cryptography Days
- 2015 Fast Software Encryption (FSE): International IACR Conference, https://www.iacr.org/workshops/fse2015/registration.htm

Unit Director, TÜBİTAK-BİLGEM-UEKAE

2010-2013

Founder and first director of the Mathematical and Computational Sciences https://mcs.bilgem.tubitak.gov.tr/en/index.html unit at National Research Institute of Electronics and Cryptology

Researcher - Senior Researcher - Chief Researcher, TÜBİTAK-UEKAE

1997-2010

Participated in the national projects focusing on data security and cryptography as researcher (1997-2002), senior researcher (2002-2007), and chief researcher (2007-2010).

Teaching and Research Assistant, METU

1993-1997

Taught and coordinated Calculus, Advanced Calculus, Linear Algebra courses