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EXPERIENCE	Associate Professor Department of Statistics, Dokuz Eylul University	02/2023 - current
	Assistant Professor Department of Statistics, Dokuz Eylul University	2013-2023
	Lecturer, Ph.D. Department of Statistics, Dokuz Eylul University	2011-2013
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TEACHING EXPERIENCE	Undergraduate level R Statistical Programming Language Non-parametric Statistical Methods Computational Tools for Statistics Data Management in Statistics with Excel Data Analysis and Graphics Using R	2004-current

Data Mining
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Graduate level

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Computational Statistics
Exploratory Data Analysis
Resampling Methods
Applied Statistical Analysis
R for Statistical Computing and Programming
Exploratory Data Analysis and Data Visualization

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9. Guven, H., Kalkan, S., Hocaoglu, N., **Yildiztepe, E.**, Gokalp, G., “Evaluation of the knowledge level and usage attitudes of the medical students on the medicinal herbs and herbal products: a project of

- special study module in the first three years of the school of medicine”, *International Journal of Basic and Clinical Pharmacology*, 8/3/394-401, 2019.
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 11. **Yildiztepe, E.**, Kocatas, A., “Analysis of Turkey Labour Force Data by Decision Tree Methods”, *Cankiri Karatekin University Journal of the Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences*, 8/2/91-114, 2018. (in Turkish)
 12. **Yildiztepe, E.**, Uzun, V., “Determination of the Semantic Similarity of Turkish Texts Using Probabilistic Methods”, *Sinop University Journal of Natural Sciences*, 3/2/66-78, 2018. (in Turkish)
 13. **Yildiztepe, E.**, “Determination of Qualifications Required For Employment of Statistics Graduates”, *The Journal of Social Science Institute of Mersin University*, 1/2/49-60, 2018. (in Turkish)
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 19. Ozdemir, A.F., Wilcox, R., **Yildiztepe, E.**, “Comparing Measures of Location: Some Small-Sample Results When Distributions Differ in Skewness and Kurtosis Under Heterogeneity of Variances”, *Communications in Statistics-Simulation and Computation*, 42/2/407-424, 2013.
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3. Sur, Y., **Yildiztepe, E.**, “Call Center Load Prediction With Artificial Neural Networks”, 7th International Conference on Global Practice of Multidisciplinary Scientific Studies, Girne, KKTC, 2024.
4. Ozturk, F.E., Demirel, N., **Yildiztepe, E.**, “Determining the Optimal Number Of Clusters: Adjusted Silhouette Coefficient”, 10th International Conference on Advances in Statistics, Budapest, Hungary, 2024.
5. Erbayat, B., **Yildiztepe, E.**, “ An Approach to Identify Credit Card Fraud with Anomaly Detection Methods”, 2nd DEU International Symposium in Graduate Researches on Data Science & Technology, Izmir, Türkiye, 2023.
6. Demirer, H., **Yildiztepe, E.**, Kalem, R. N., Kesayak, B., Aycı, D., Celtikci, E. N., “A clustering and benchmarking based monthly electricity consumption analysis for creating energy efficiency insights for the utility end-users”, 4th SEERC Conference, Istanbul, Türkiye, 2023.
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17. Kizilkaya, B., **Yildiztepe, E.**, “Evaluation of Performances of Unsupervised Anomaly Detection Algorithms”, 4th International Researchers, Statisticians and Young Statisticians Congress, Cesme, Izmir, Türkiye, 2018.
18. Binzat, U., **Yildiztepe, E.**, “A Simulation Study on the Performance of Weighted Bootstrap in the Presence of Outliers”, 4th International Researchers, Statisticians and Young Statisticians Congress, Cesme, Izmir, Türkiye, 2018.
19. Ataman, A.K., Bayram, B., Hocaoglu, N., **Yildiztepe, E.**, Kalkan, S., “Evaluation of Potential Drug-Drug Interactions in critical care area of the emergency department”, 9th Asian Conference on Emergency Medicine & 13th Turkish Emergency Medicine Congress, Antalya, Türkiye, 2017.
20. Aydin B, Yurtman MN, Kurtoglu AP, **Yildiztepe, E.**, Hocaoglu N, Tuncok Y, Kalkan S, “Evaluation of restricted service capacity of a Regional Drug and Poison Information Center with the analysis of data in 2014 year”, 2nd Regional TIAFT Meeting in Türkiye, Antalya, Türkiye, 2016.
21. Binzat, U., **Yildiztepe, E.**, “A Simulation Study on Resampling Based Methods for Comparing k Independent Groups”, International Conference on Robust Statistics 2016, Geneva, Switzerland, 2016.
22. Binzat, U., **Yildiztepe, E.**, “A Comparison of Resampling Based Hypothesis Testing For Two Independent Samples”, International 9th Statistics Congress, Antalya, Türkiye, 2015.

23. **Yildiztepe, E.**, Onat, M.Y., “Comparison of the Anomaly Detection Methods for Temporal Data”, The 15th Annual Conference of European Network for Business and Industrial Statistics ENBIS-15, Prague, Czech Republic, 2015.
24. **Yildiztepe, E.**, Uzun, V., “Semantic Analysis of Turkish Texts Using Latent Dirichlet Allocation”, 9th International Statistics Day Symposium, Antalya, Türkiye, 2014.
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28. Ozdemir, F., **Yildiztepe, E.**, “Cluster Analysis with Modified One-Step M-Estimator”, 6th International Symposium of Statistics, Samsun, Türkiye, 2009.
29. **Yildiztepe, E.**, Kurt, S., Tunçok, Y., “A Statistical Information System for Drug & Poison Control Centers”, 6th International Symposium of Statistics, Samsun, Türkiye, 2009.

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MSc. Theses

Continuing

- Tatal, A.C., “Hybrid Recommendation Systems Enhanced with Large Language Models”
Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2026-ongoing.
- Yakut, I., “The Use of Recommender Systems in Recruitment Processes: A Data-Driven Approach to Candidate Selection”
Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2025-ongoing.
- Caliskan, M., “Statistical Evaluation of Large Language Models’ Performance Across Different Tasks”
Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2025-ongoing.
- Yildirim, E., “The Effect of Sample Size on Learning Curves in Supervised Machine Learning”
Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2025-ongoing.
- Ongun, M., “Detection of Living Beings in Open Terrain Using Deep Learning Models”
Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2025-ongoing.
- Ensarioglu, Y., “Classification of Cardiopulmonary Exercise Test Data with Neural Networks Models”
Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2024-ongoing.
- Seker, O., “Design and Implementation of a Recommendation System for Undergraduate Programme Choice”
Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2024-ongoing.

Completed

- Sur, Y., “Call Centre Load Prediction with Artificial Neural Networks”
Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2022-2024.
- Erbayat, B., “Anomaly Detection Approaches to Identify Fraud”
Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2022-2024.
- Akilli, N., “Anomaly Detection with Ensemble Learning Approach”
Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2020-2023.
- Yilmaz, F. M., “Employing Deep Learning Approaches for Financial Time Series Analysis”
Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2020-2023.
- Alkan, S., “Anomaly Detection Methods in Marine Traffic Analysis”
Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2020-2023.
- Baysal, S., “Review of Sports Data Mining Techniques”
Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2017-2019.
- Kizilkaya, B., “Unsupervised Anomaly Detection Algorithms”
Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2017-2019.
- Binzat, U., “Resampling Methods in Hypothesis Testing”
Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2014-2017.
- Onat, Y., “Anomaly Detection in Temporal Data Mining”
Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2013-2015.
- Uzun, V., “Semantic Text Mining and An Application in Turkish Documents”
Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2011-2014.

Ph.D Theses

Continuing

- Ocal, E., “ Ensemble Learning Methods for Longitudinal Data”
Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2025-ongoing.

Completed

- Binzat, U., “Robust Bootstrap Procedures in the Presence of Outliers”
Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2017-2024.

Undergraduate Theses

Completed

- Erdem, İ., Durur, U. G., Aras, B., İşçioğlu, M.M., “Determination of Exercise Threshold Intensities by Change Point Analysis”
Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2024-2025.
- Ak, M., Çalı, A., Dursun, E. B., Peker, P., “Change Point Determination Methods and Applications”
Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2023-2024.
- Pasahan, F., Ergunes, F., Kavas, M., Sevim, B., “Activity Recognition with Wearable Devices and Smartphone Data”
Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2022-2023.
- Gorener, C., Engin, A., Sayar, A., “Using Machine Learning Approaches for Severity Classification of Carpal Tunnel Syndrome”
Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2021-2022.
- Demirtas, G., Ozturk, M., Ozmen, C., Kurt., M., “Methods in Recommender Systems and An Application”
Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2019-2020.

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Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2018-2019.
- Kaya, M., Nayansak, M., Kuralay, T.M., Korkmaz, S., Yildirim, S., “Developing R Package and Shiny Apps with Rstudio”
Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2017-2018.
- Sekmen, C., Kandemir, F., Ugurlu, G., Koyuncuoglu, I., Saygin, I., Kuru, M., Sargin, S., “Researching The Qualifications and Career Opportunities in The Employment of Statistics Graduates”
Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2016-2017.
- Colakoglu, G., Meral, M.E., Korkmaz, M., Kuzu, A.S., Coban, S., Kaya, I., “Analysis of Google Trends Data”
Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2015-2016.
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- Koc, R., Sayilam, A.B., Satilmis, E., Sarikaya, B., Gelgecli, H., Keskin, E., “Clustering Methods in Data Mining”
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Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2011-2012.
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Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2011-2012.
- Karatas, B., Cicek, H., Ozcan, M., Maden, O., Sezgin, S.S., “Developing R Packages for Resample Methods”
Advisor: Yildiztepe, E. 2011-2012.

PROJECTS

1. **Yildiztepe, E.**(Researcher), “Determination of respiratory thresholds with machine learning”, 124E483, *Project-1001 Supported by TUBITAK*, 2024-ongoing.
2. **Yildiztepe, E.**(Researcher), “A New Exercise Intensity in Sport Sciences: Maximal Carbon-dioxide Production Volume”, 222S130, *Project-1001 Supported by TUBITAK*, 2022-2025.
3. **Yildiztepe, E.**(Researcher), “Classification of Individual Physical Fitness Levels Using Breakpoints Obtained from The Respiration Threshold Method”, 122S887, *Project-1002 Supported by TUBITAK*, 2022-2023.
4. **Yildiztepe, E.**(Advisor), “Big Data Analysis Based Mobile Application Project to Increase Energy Consumption Awareness and Demand Flexibility of Electricity Subscribers”, *R-D Project Supported by EPDK*, 2022-2023.
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