



METU - Department of Computer Engineering
CENG 502 –Advanced Deep Learning
2023-2024 Spring



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Lectures: Tuesday, 9:40-12:30 [BMB-4]

Credits: METU: 3 Theoretical, 0 Laboratory; ECTS: 8.0

Catalog: Advanced deep learning problems and methods; Working with sequential data using Recurrent Neural Networks; Specialized Recurrent Neural Networks such as Elman, Jordan and Echo State Networks; Long Short Time Memory and its variants; Memory networks; Deep Neural Turing Machines; Deep Reinforcement Learning.

Textbook: We will mainly follow the state of the art with papers. However, the following might be handy at times:

- Y. Bengio, I. Goodfellow and A. Courville, “Deep Learning”, MIT Press, 2016.

Grading:

Paper Presentation	30%
Paper Quizzes	30%
Project	40%

Prerequisite: CENG 501 or consent of the instructor.

Tentative Schedule:

Week & Date		Topic
1	19 Feb	Review of Fundamental Deep Learning Methods [Problem Definition; Overview of Approaches; Autoencoders; Convolutional Neural Networks; Deep/Restricted Boltzmann Machines]
2	26 Feb	Review of Fundamental Deep Learning Methods [Problem Definition; Overview of Approaches; Autoencoders; Convolutional Neural Networks; Deep/Restricted Boltzmann Machines]
3	4 Mar	Attention in Deep Learning [Attention types; Self-attention & transformers; Transformers in vision & NLP]
4	11 Mar	Attention in Deep Learning [Attention types; Self-attention & transformers; Transformers in vision & NLP]
5	18 Mar	Attention in Deep Learning [Attention types; Self-attention & transformers; Transformers in vision & NLP]
6	25 Mar	Memory Networks [Dynamic Memory Networks; Hierarchical Temporal Memory Networks; Sparse Distributed Memory]
7	1 April	Memory Networks [Dynamic Memory Networks; Hierarchical Temporal Memory Networks; Sparse Distributed Memory]
8	8 April	<i>Ramadan Feast; Term Break</i>
9	15 Apr	Deep Turing Machines [Turing Machine; Neural Turing Machine; Neural Random-Access Machine]
10	22 Apr	Deep Reinforcement Learning [Reinforcement Learning; Deep Reinforcement Learning]
11	29 Apr	Deep Reinforcement Learning [Reinforcement Learning; Deep Reinforcement Learning]
12	6 May	Representation Learning [Autoencoders; Self-supervised learning; Contrastive learning]
13	13 May	Representation Learning [Autoencoders; Self-supervised learning; Contrastive learning]
14	19 May	Project demos