

# Curriculum Vitae

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**Objective** A lecturer/researcher in digital signal processing and telecommunications areas, as applied to digital data storage systems.

### Education

- Jan'00 – Dec'04      **Georgia Institute of Technology**, Atlanta, Georgia, USA.  
Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering
- Sept'97 – Nov'98      **Chalmers University of Technology**, Göteborg, Sweden.  
M.Sc. in Digital Communication Systems and Technology
- May'90 – Mar'94      **Thammasat University**, Bangkok, Thailand.  
B.Eng. in Electrical Engineering

### Work Experiences

- Jan'05 – present      **Lecturer/Researcher**, Nakhon Pathom Rajabhat University, Thailand
- Jan'01 – Dec'04      **Graduate Research Assistant**, Georgia Tech, Atlanta, USA.  
• Designed and investigated efficient timing recovery schemes, as applied to digital data storage systems.
- May'04 – Aug'04      **Technical Intern**, Seagate Technology, Pittsburgh, USA.  
• Developed reduced-complexity per-survivor iterative timing recovery for coded partial response channels.  
• Incorporated a pattern-dependent noise-predictive technique in the proposed timing recovery scheme to handle media noise dominated channels.
- May'02 – Aug'02      **Technical Intern**, Seagate Technology, Pittsburgh, USA.  
• Investigated and analyzed the performance of oversampled timing recovery operating at twice the symbol-rate sampling.  
• Developed new timing recovery schemes based on per-survivor processing technique.
- May'01 – Aug'01      **Technical Intern**, Seagate Technology, Pittsburgh, USA.  
• Designed a GPR target and an interpolated timing recovery (ITR) system for perpendicular recording.  
• Evaluated and tested the performance of the GPR target and ITR.
- Dec'98 – Dec'99      **Research Assistant**, Network Technology Laboratory  
National Electronics and Computer Technology Center, Thailand.  
• Managed two projects, namely, Public-Key Infrastructure and Thailand Smart Card Standard projects.
- Apr'94 – Aug'97      **Senior Engineer**, Area Coordination and Improvement Planning Division  
Thai Telephone and Telecommunication Public Company Limited. Thailand.  
• Responsible for installing and managing line test systems, analyzing the fault statistics, and supporting area telecommunication business activities.

## Publication: JOURNAL

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- 4) **P. Kovintavewat**, "Robustness of per-survivor iterative timing recovery against pattern-dependent noise in perpendicular recording channels," *Trans. on ECTI-EEC*, Thailand, vol. 5, no. 2, pp. 251 – 254, August 2007.
- 5) **P. Kovintavewat**, I. Ozgunes, E. M. Kurtas, J. R. Barry, S. W. McLaughlin, "Generalized Partial Response Targets for Perpendicular Recording with Jitter Noise," *IEEE Trans. on Magnetics*, vol. 38, no. 5, pp. 2340 - 2342, September 2002.

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- 2) **P. Kovintavewat** and S. Koonkarnkhai, "A New Thermal Asperity Detection and Correction Algorithm for Perpendicular Recording Channels," to appear in *DST-CON 2009*, Thailand.
- 3) **P. Kovintavewat**, C. Warisarn, and P. Supnithi, "Bi-Directional Timing Recovery for Perpendicular Magentic Recording Channels," to appear in *DST-CON 2009*, Thailand.
- 4) S. Koonkarnkhai, **P. Kovintavewat**, and P. Keeratiwintakorn, "The Effect of Bandpass Filters for Thermal Asperity Suppression in Perpendicular Recording Systems," in *Proc. of ECTI-CON 2009*, Pattaya, Thailand, to be published.
- 5) **P. Kovintavewat**, S. Koonkarnkhai, and S. Thamakam, "A Novel Thermal Asperity Suppression for Perpendicular Recording Channels," *IEEE International Conference on Magnetics (INTERMAG 2009)*, to be published.
- 6) S. Makwimanloy, **P. Kovintavewat**, *et al.*, "A Novel Anti-Collision Algorithm for High-Density RFID Tags," in *Proc. of ECTI-CON 2009*, Pattaya, Thailand, to be published.
- 7) สันติ คุลการขาย และ ปิยะ โควินท์กิริวัฒน์, "การระจับความขรุขระเชิงความร้อนแบบที่ถูกปรับปรุงในช่องสัญญาณการบันทึกแบบแนวตั้ง," การประชุมวิชาการทางวิศวกรรมไฟฟ้า ครั้งที่ 31, นครนายก, ฉบับที่ 2, 29 – 31 ตุลาคม 2008, CM-05, หน้า 665 – 668.
- 8) **P. Kovintavewat** and S. Koonkarnkhai, "Thermal Asperity Suppression Based on Least Squares Fitting in Perpendicular Magnetic Recording Systems," in *Proc. of The 53rd Annual Conference on Magnetism and Magnetic Materials (Abstracts)*, Austin, Texas, pp. 211 – 212, November 10 -14, 2008.
- 9) **P. Kovintavewat**, C. Warisarn, and P. Supnithi, "An MMSE Infinite Impulse Response Equalizer for Perpendicular Recording Channels with Jitter Noise," in *Prof. of ITC-CSCC 2008*, Shimonoseki City, Japan, pp. 929 – 932, July 6 – 9, 2008.
- 10) S. Mukviboonchai, **P. Kovintavewat**, D. Thammasiri, "The Conceptual Framework for the Development of Thailand Economic Animal Traceability System," in *Proc. of ECTI-CON 2008*, Krabi, Thailand, vol. I, pp. 201 – 204, May 14 – 16, 2008.
- 11) S. Makwimanloy, **P. Kovintavewat**, *et al.*, "A New Anti-Collision Based on A-Priori Information," in *Proc. of ECTI-CON 2008*, Krabi, Thailand, vol. II, pp. 733 – 736, May 14 – 16, 2008.

- 12) T. Nuamcherm, **P. Kovintavewat**, *et al.*, “An Improved Proof for RFID Tags,” in *Proc. of ECTI-CON 2008*, Krabi, Thailand, vol. II, pp. 737 – 740, May 14 – 16, 2008.
- 13) C. Warisarn, **P. Kovintavewat**, *et al.*, “An Infinite Impulse Response Equalizer for Magnetic Recording Channels,” in *Proc. of DST-CON 2008*, Miracle Grand Conventional Hotel, Bangkok, Thailand, p. 076, April 21 – 23, 2008.
- 14) **P. Kovintavewat**, “Timing recovery in magnetic recording channels,” in *Proc. of ECTI-CON 2007*, ChaingRai, Thailand, pp. 561 – 564, May 9 – 12, 2007.
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- 2) **P. Kovintavewat**, *Modeling the Impulse Response of an Office Room*. M.Sc. Thesis, Chalmers University of Technology, Göteborg, Sweden, November 1998.

## Books

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- 2) ปิยะ โควินท์ทวีวัฒน์, ระบบบ่งชี้อัตโนมัติคุณภาพลื่นความถี่วิทยุ (RFID System), ศูนย์เทคโนโลยีอิเล็กทรอนิกส์ และคอมพิวเตอร์แห่งชาติ (เนคเทค), 2551. (กำลังจัดพิมพ์ จำนวน 358 หน้า)
- 3) ปิยะ โควินท์ทวีวัฒน์, คู่มือโปรแกรมภาษา SCILAB สำหรับผู้เริ่มต้น (ฉบับปรับปรุงใหม่), ศูนย์ผลิตตำราเรียน สถาบันเทคโนโลยีพระจอมเกล้าเจ้าพระนรนครเหนือ, 2551.
- 4) ปิยะ โควินท์ทวีวัฒน์, การประมวลผลสัญญาณสำหรับการจัดเก็บข้อมูลดิจิทัล เล่ม 1: พื้นฐานของสัญญาณอ่านเขียน, ศูนย์เทคโนโลยีอิเล็กทรอนิกส์และคอมพิวเตอร์แห่งชาติ (เนคเทค), 2550.
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#### **Skills**

Programming languages: C/C++, Java, Pascal, Matlab, HTML.  
 Operating Systems: Unix, MS-Dos, Windows 95/98/2000/ME/NT/XP.  
 Software Packages: Excel, Winword, Powerpoint, FrameMaker, LaTeX.

#### **Honors**

Thai government scholarship (2000-2004), Thailand.  
 Graduate research assistantship (2001-2004), Georgia Tech, USA.  
 STINT scholarship (1997-1998), Sweden.  
 Excellent graduate, ranked 2nd in class, Thammasat University, Thailand.

#### **Languages**

English (fluent), Thai (mother tongue)

#### **Research Interests**

- Timing recovery for baseband transmission
- Error-control coding
- Modulation coding
- Detection and equalization
- Iterative detection
- Smart card technology
- Public-key infrastructure
- Radio frequency identification (RFID) system

#### **Relevant Courses**

- Statistics Engineering
- Signals and Systems
- Principles of Communication
- Digital Communication
- Signal Processing for Digital Data Storage (Hard Disk Drive)
- Fundamental of hard disk drive technology
- Communication Theory
- Information Theory

- Advanced Digital Communication
- Coding Theory and Applications (Error Control Coding)
- Digital Radio Communication
- Digital Signal Processing
- Linear Systems and Controls
- Linear Algebra
- Linear Statistical Model

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