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#### **TECHNICAL SPECIALITY:**

Wireless Communications, Cellular and Mobile Communications, Spread Spectrum and Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA), Synchronization, Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing and Multiple Access (OFDM, OFDMA), Digital Signal Processing.

#### **EDUCATION**

Ph.D. Electrical Engineering, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas, May 1990

M.Sc. Electrical Engineering, Alexandria University, Alexandria, Egypt, 1986
B.Sc. Electrical Engineering, Alexandria University, Alexandria, Egypt, 1982

#### **EXPERIENCE**

- <u>Teaching:</u> Teaching numerous graduate and under graduate classes including: Adaptive signal processing, digital communications, communications systems, digital signal processing, logic circuit design, electromagnetics, mobile communications, C programming, Logic circuits.
- Research: Conducted research on many wireless communications topics and mobile communications systems as shown in the list of papers and patents below. Having a mix of academic research and industry experience as shown in the industry experience list below. Current focus is on LTE and 5G cellular systems.
- <u>Master and Ph.D. Supervision</u>: Supervised more than 30 Alexandria University graduate students for Master and Ph.D. degrees.
- <u>Industry Experience</u>: Ericsson Inc., USA; Ellipsis Digital System, USA; BNR, USA; MIMOS, Malaysia; Sysdsoft, Egypt; Axxcelera, Egypt.

# Alexandria University: From December 1, 2012 to September 24, 2014:

Vice Dean for Education and Student Affairs, Faculty of Engineering, Alexandria University, Alexandria, Egypt. Responsible for curriculum development and implementation, student registration, class schedule, school exams, etc.

# **Alexandria University: From 1991 to date:**

Currently Professor, Alexandria University, Faculty of Engineering, Dept. of Electrical Engineering, Alexandria, Egypt. Teaching graduate and undergraduate courses on digital signal processing, communications theory and systems, spread spectrum, mobile communications and many others.

# Keio University: January 18 to April 18, 1996

Visiting researcher, Nakagawa Laboratory, **Dept. of Electrical Engineering, Keio University, Yokohama, Japan**. Conducting research on decentralized inter-vehicle synchronization for the Intelligent Vehicle-Highway System.

# **Keio University: October 1993 to August 1994**

Visiting lecturer and researcher, Nakagawa Laboratory, **Dept. of Electrical Engineering, Keio University, Yokohama, Japan**. Delivered lectures and conducted research on different aspects of CDMA for mobile communications, multi-carrier CDMA and interference cancellation

#### **AWARDS**

Recipient of the "Egyptian National Award for Encouragement" for 1995 in the field of Engineering Sciences

#### RESEARCH GRANTS

Design and Implementation of the Physical Layer of the Long Term Evolution Mobile Communication System with Beamforming Antenna System, From ITIDA, Egypt, grant number ARP2009\_R6\_7. Started January 2010.

## TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES

- Associate editor, Alexandria Engineering Journal (AEJ), Communications and Electronics, from 2012 to date
- Chairman of the IEEE Alexandria Subsection from January 2013 to January 2015.
- Associate Editor for the IEEE Transactions on Vehicular Technology from 2000 to 2006
- Secretary of the IEEE, Vehicular Technology Society from January 1997 to January 2001

- Reviewer for many articles on IEEE Transactions on Vehicular Technology, IEEE Transactions on Communications and IEEE Journal of Selected Areas on Communications and many IEEE conferences.
- Reviewer of several grant proposals for the Information Technology Industry Development Agency (ITIDA) and the Science and Technology Development Fund (STDF) in Egypt
- IEEE Member in the Vehicular Technology Society and Communications Society.
- Many publications and presentations in IEEE conferences
- Chaired a number of sessions in IEEE and IEEE sponsored conferences

# **INDUSTRY RESEARCH EXPERIENCE** (Reverse chronological order)

Sept 2011 to December 2012

#### AXXCELERA, CAIRO, EGYPT, Consultant

• Directing and supervising the development of all transmitter and receiver algorithms for LTE base station

## January 2007 to March 2011

#### **SYSDSOFT, CAIRO, EGYPT,** Consultant to DSP team

- Directing and supervising the development of all transmitter and receiver algorithms for mobile WiMAX, LTE and Zigbee wireless systems
- Working on and supervising the porting and optimization on DSP platform
- Supporting RTL development

## Summer 2004, Summer 2005 and summer 2006

## MALAYSIAN INSTITUTE OF MICROELECTRONIC SYSTEMS (MIMOS), KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYSIA

- Visiting researcher
- Development mobile WiMAX architecture and required algorithms
- Developing Viterbi equalizer, synchronization, frequency offset estimation algorithms
- Supporting the development of other GPRS/EDGE algorithm development

### February 1, 2001 to January 15, 2004

## ELLIPSIS DIGITAL SYSTEMS, CARLSBAD, CALIFORNIA

- Full time, Director System Engineering,
- Managing and supervising the testing the software design of a System-On-A-Chip for the IEEE 802.11 WLAN
- Supporting VHDL design of the physical layer algorithms of the IEEE 802.11a WLAN.
- Leading research and design of the physical layer of the IEEE 802.11a WLAN system
- Designing algorithms for AGC, Synchronization, Channel Estimation, Frequency offset estimation and Channel Equalization of OFDM systems
- Developing a complete system simulation and generating performance charts under all data rates and several system and channel parameters

# August 23, 1996 to January 13, 2001

# ERICSSON INC, RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, NORTH CAROLINA, USA

- Full time, Senior Research Engineer
- Worked with a team to develop a complete modem simulation for an IS-95 Cellular phone and cooperated with hardware engineers to implement it on an Ericsson chipset
- Developed a complete modem simulation for 3G CDMA modem based on IS-2000 1X and IS-2000 3X taking into consideration all implementation aspects.
- Developed and presented numerous internal CDMA training courses, covering all aspects of Cellular CDMA Systems, from basic introduction to detailed modem design
- Filed, with others, several patents in different aspects of CDMA modem design, 7 of which are already issued (see patent list below)
- Developed advanced CDMA modem algorithms like: initial synchronization, multipath delay tracking, multipath searcher, assigning and re-assigning Rake Receiver Fingers, interference cancellation in Rake receiver, closed loop power control.

# <u>January 1990 to July 1991</u>

## BELL NORTHERN RESEARCH (NORTEL), RICHRDSON, TEXAS, USA

- Full time: Member of Scientific Staff. Was involved in the following projects:
- Designing computer simulations to assess the capacity of the analog and digital mobile communication systems in different channel conditions and cellular sectorization.
- Assessing the application of CDMA in personal communication systems

- Designing flow graphs and a test plan for the common air interface and call processing based on the TDMA dual mode compatibility standard IS-54
- Assessing dynamic and hybrid channel assignment techniques to increase the capacity of the mobile communication systems

## **PATENTS**

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- [2] Essam Sourour, Gregory Bottomley and Rajaram Ramesh, "Modulation sequence synchronization methods and apparatus employing partial sequence correlation" Patent Number:6,421,371 USA, Jul 16, 2002
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- [4] Essam Sourour, Gregory Bottomley, David Barrow, Rajaram Ramesh and Clarence Roberts, "Flexible sliding correlator for direct sequence spread spectrum systems," Patent Number 6,363,105, USA, March 26, 2002.
- [5] Gregory Bottomley and Rajaram Ramesh, "Pilot strength measurement and multipath delay searcher for CDMA receiver," Patent Number 6,157,820, USA, December 5, 2000.
- [6] Essam Sourour, Gregory Bottomley and Rajaram Ramesh, "System and method for synchronizing acquisition for code modulated communication system," Patent Number 6,147,982 USA, Nov. 14, 2000.
- [7] Essam Sourour, Greg Bottomley, David Barrow, Rajaram Ramesh and Clarence Robert. "Flexible sliding correlator for direct sequence spread spectrum systems" Patent Number: 66,218,58 USA Sep. 16, 2003
- [8] Jiann-Ching Guey and Essam Sourour, "Delay and channel estimation for multi-carrier CDMA system," Patent Number: 6,876,645, USA April 5, 2005
- [9] Essam Sourour, "Multipath interference reduction for a CDMA system," Patent Number: 6,865,218 USA, March8, 2005
- [10] Essam Sourour; Greg Bottomley; Rajaram Ramesh, Sandeep Chennakeshu, "Method and apparatus for multipath delay estimation in direct sequence spread spectrum communication systems," Patent Number 6,839,378 USA, January 4, 2005
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- [20] Wail Refai and Essam Sourour, "Systems and methods for soft handoff and other diversity communication using base stations supporting common radio configurations," Patent Number 7,295,536 USA, November 13, 2007.

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