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*"...the instructor should be praised for
his obvious interest in the students'
learning. He is liked by the students,
and they consider him an effective
teacher...."*

Dr. A. Khathlan ADC Peer
Consultant 25 April 2003

Professional Profile

Eager to transfer knowledge and experience to students and bring them into the twenty-first century using a unique combination of education experience coupled with three years' industry background in computer systems management and administration.

- Hold Doctor Degree in Applied Electronics, Masters Degree in Control Engineering and Bachelors Degree in Electrical and Electronics Engineering.
- Experienced in use of the Internet and educational software for e-learning and online course design and delivery.
- Dedicated to enthusiastic and dynamic teaching as a means of creating and nurturing a lifelong love of knowledge and career building.

Education, Honors, and Certifications

PhD in Applied Electronics

Doctor of Engineering, Tokyo Institute of Technology, Japan. 1995

M.S. Control Engineering

Control Engineering Dept, Bradford University, UK. 1984

Bachelor of Engineering Electrical and Electronics

Electrical and Electronics Engineering Dept, Bradford University, UK. 1982

Provisional Certifications

Cambridge Joint Matriculation Board certification. 1979

Tohoku University International Language School, Japanese Language Certification, Sendai, JP. 1991

Key Qualifications

Certified in JAVA Programming and Introduction to SQL & PL/SQL under Oracle Academic Initiative Program.

Plan and instruct each subject area using wide variety of teaching aids, motivational and implementation strategies to engage students in active learning.

Incorporate learning modality principles into classroom and individual instruction. Develop and conduct surveys to enhance and improve course content delivery effectiveness and motivation.

Implement technological approaches to subject material. Research educational resources on the Internet. Assist novice students with information retrieval.

“...During our association, I have found Zidouri to be an excellent scientific community member who demonstrated his academic and research abilities, desire to learn more , and initiative upon numerous occasions....I recommend him without any reservation...”

Professor Makoto Sato,
Precision and Intelligence Lab.
Tokyo Institute of Technology

Speciality

Pattern Recognition and Signal Processing

Narrow Speciality

- Character Recognition and Segmentation
- Document Image Analysis and Understanding
- Pattern Classification
- Image and Data Compression
- Run Length Coding

Experienced Advisor and Facilitator

Supervised and conducted various senior projects and Master Thesis in Electrical Engineering Department and Information and Computer Science. In industry, Instructed corporate personnel in use of various software applications, desktop publishing, and drafting programs for conversion from manual typesetting and drafting to computer assisted methods. Designed the network expansion and managed the Local Area Network of D'TP Company in Tokyo which boosted their profit to more than double. Designed and maintained their internet access and homepage.

Computer Skills

- **Software (IBM and MAC environments):** Microsoft Windows® and DOS, WordPerfect, Lotus123, Microsoft Word, PageMaker, AutoCAD, Books in Print, Baker & Taylor Links, Bibbase
- Working knowledge of the **Internet**
- **System installations and debugging;** terminal/printer operations

Employment

Professional Development in Academia

- **Assistant Professor, EE Dept,** September 1999 to present
- **Student Advisor, EE Dept.,** September 1999 to present
KFUPM, Dhahran, Saudi Arabia
- **Associate Visiting Scholar,** Fall 1995
Precision and Intelligence Laboratory, Tokyo Institute of Technology, Yokohama, JP
- **Assistant Professor,** September 1984 to April 1991
Department of Electronics, University of Science and Technology , Oran, DZ

Computer Systems Management

- **Network Administrator,** January 1997 to August 1999,
Torindo Co., LTD. Tokyo, JP
- **System Engineer,** January 1996
Torindo Co., LTD. Tokyo, JP
- **System Administrator and Postmaster,** December 1998
Torindo Co., LTD. Tokyo, JP

Professional Affiliations

IEEE Society Senior Member
Signal Processing Society
Communications Society
Engineering Education Society

Funded Research Projects

KFUPM: Automatic Text Recognition: A Need In Arabization
EE/Autotext/232

Publications :

Journals:

- [1] S. Chinveeraphan, **A. B. C. Zidouri**, and M. Sato, "Fast Algorithms for Minimum Covering Run Expression," IEICE Trans. Inf. & Syst., Vol.E77--D, no. 3, pp. 317--325, March 1994.
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- [9] K. mahmood, **A. Zidouri** and A. Zerguine, "Convergence Behaviour Of An RLS-Based Neural Network Equalizer" Signal processing, Accepted June 2006.
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- [12] **Zidouri, A.**, and Sarfraz, M., "Multi-Font Arabic Character Recognition", International Journal of Pattern Recognition and Machine Intelligence, International Scientific, Vol. 02(1), 21-33, 2006

Book Chapters:

- [13] Sarfraz, M., **Zidouri, A.**, and Shahab, S. A., A "Novel Approach for Skew Estimation of Document Images in OCR System", Computer Graphics, Imaging and Visualization – New Trends, ISBN: 3-7695-2392-7, IEEE Computer Society, USA, 175-180, 2005
- [14] M. Sarfraz, **A. Zidouri** and N. Nawaz "On Offline Arabic Character Recognition", *Computer-Aided Intelligent Recognition Techniques and Applications*. John Wiley & Sons, Ltd ISBN: 0-470-09414-1, 2005.

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- [15] S. Chinveeraphan, **A. Zidouri**, and M. Sato, "A New Expression Method of Document Images Based on Maximum Matching of Bipartite Graph," in Proc. IEEEJ 20th Annual Meeting and Advanced Session, (Tokyo), p.A6, June 9--11 1992
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Industrial Electrical & Electronics Conference., 23-25 Nov. 2004 Manama, Bahrain

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