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### **EDUCATION**

**Ph.D., Engineering Applied Science**, University of California Davis, Davis, CA (1988) **M.S., Engineering Applied Science**, University of California Davis, Davis, CA (1984) **B.E.E., Electrical Engineering**, *magna cum laude*, University of Dayton, Dayton, OH (1981)

## PROFESSIONAL STATEMENT

U.S. patent agent, associate professor of electrical and computer engineering, inventor, and researcher. Over thirty years experience working with start-up companies, multinational corporations, government laboratories, and academia. More than fifteen years experience as an educator. Awarded 62 U.S. patents for inventions in microfabrication, microstructures, and semiconductor devices. Authored and co-authored more than 70 peer-reviewed research papers. Areas of technical expertise include: integrated circuit design, RF electronics, semiconductor materials, micro- and nano-electronic devices, microfabrication and process integration.

#### **EMPLOYMENT**

Blue Hill Innovation LLC, Orono, ME (2010 – )

Patent Agent (USPTO Registration #72,338) and Engineer/Scientist

University of Maine, Orono, ME (Sept 1999 – )

Associate Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering

IBM Microelectronics Division, Hopewell Junction, NY (1988–1999)

Senior Engineer, DRAM Development Alliance, 1Gbit Integration Department (1997–1999), Advisory Engineer, Semiconductor Research & Development Center, Advanced Process Technology Department (1992–1997), Staff Engineer, Semiconductor Development Laboratory, CVD Technology Development Department (1988–1992)

Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, Livermore, CA (1981–1988)

**Student Engineer**, Physics Department, (1984–1988), **Electronics Engineer**, Diagnostic Development Group, (1981–1984)

MacAulay Brown, Inc., Fairborn, OH (1980–1981)

**Assistant Programmer** (part-time)

NASA, Goddard Space Flight Center, Greenbelt, MD (1978–1980)

**Engineering Intern**, Instrument Electro-Optics Branch

### **AWARDS**

Graduate Faculty Mentor Award, University of Maine (2015); Award for Service, IEEE Maine Section (2014); Graduate Faculty Mentor Award, University of Maine (2008); Dean's Award of Excellence, University of Maine (2005); Teaching and Technology Fellowship, University of Maine (2001) and 15 Invention Achievement Awards, IBM (1990-2000).

### PROFESSIONAL AND HONORARY SOCIETIES

IEEE (senior member), American Physical Society (APS), National Association of Patent Practitioners (NAPP), American Society for Engineering Education (ASEE); *Tau Beta Pi*, (The Engineering Honor Society) and *Eta Kappa Nu*, (The Electrical and Computer Engineering Honor Society of the IEEE).

## PROFESSIONAL AND PUBLIC SERVICE

*Tau Beta Pi*, (The Engineering Honor Society) Maine Alpha Chapter: Advisor (2006–2007), Chief Advisor (2008–2015), and Advisor (2016–present).

IEEE, Maine Section: Secretary (2001); Member at Large (2002); Vice Chair (2003); Chair (2004) and Treasurer (2006–2009); IEEE, University of Maine Student Branch Co-counselor (2003–2011).

Journal Reviewer: IEEE Transactions on Circuits & Systems; IEEE Electron Device Letters; IEEE Microwave & Wireless Components Letters; IEEE Journal of Solid State Circuits; Applied Physics Letters; Journal on Educational Resources in Computing; Journal of the American Ceramic Society; Journal of Vacuum Science & Technology; IET Circuits, Devices & Systems; and Journal of Circuits, Systems, and Computers; Analog Integrated Circuits and Signal Processing.

Proposal Reviewer: NSF panelist, Department of Defense SMART Scholarship panelist, Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC), and Civilian Research & Development Foundation (CRDF).

Book Reviewer: Prentice Hall and Oxford University Press.

University of Maine: Faculty Senator (2004–2007); Graduate School Executive Committee (2011); University of Maine New Faculty Mentor (2006–2009); Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering (ECE) Graduate Program Coordinator (2008–2011); Electrical Engineering Curriculum Committee Chair (2007–2011); Microelectronics Scholarship Consortium Chair (1999–2011); ECE Faculty Search Committee Chair (2000, 2001, 2006), ECE Graduate Board Representative (2000–2002, 2008–2011), and Member, Engineering and Science Building Committee (2001).

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE - UNIVERSITY OF MAINE

ECE 209: Fundamentals of Electric Circuits (for non-ECE Majors)

ECE 210: Electric Circuits

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ECE 512: Linear Systems Analysis

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ECE 643: Microelectronics Devices II

ECE 547: Integrated Circuit Design and Layout

ECE 548: Integrated Circuit Characterization and Testing

ECE 598: Special Topics in Integrated Circuit Design

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- 2. P. Gunturi, N. Emanetoglu, and D. E. Kotecki, "IR-UWB BPK transmitter optimized for maximum distance of transmission," *IEEE Trans. Circuits Syst. I*, (submitted for publication, 2015).
- 3. P. Gunturi and D. E. Kotecki, "IR-UWB BPK transmitter optimized for maximum distance of transmission," in 2015 IEEE 58th International Midwest Symposium on Circuits and Systems (MWS-CAS), Aug 2015, pp. 1–4.
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- 5. P. Gunturi and D. E. Kotecki, "Temperature and supply voltage insensitive OOK transmitter for outdoor UWB communications," in *Proc. IEEE International Midwest Symposium on Circuits and Systems*, (MWSCAS '14), Austin, Texas, Aug. 2014, pp. 733–736.
- 6. P. Gunturi and D. E. Kotecki, "A wideband Class E PA with more than 40% PAE and 800 MHz bandwidth," in *Proc. IEEE International Midwest Symposium on Circuits and Systems*, (MWSCAS '14), Austin, Texas, Aug. 2014, pp. 725–728.
- 7. P. Gunturi and D. E. Kotecki, "Class E power amplifiers with tuned RC output matching circuit," in *IEEE Topical Workshop on Power Amplifiers for Wireless Communications*, San Diego, California, Sept. 2013.
- 8. Y. Lin and D. E. Kotecki, "A 127.3-133.6 GHz wide-locking low-power frequency-quadrupled phase-locked loop in 130nm SiGe BiCMOS," in *Proc. IEEE International Midwest Symposium on Circuits and Systems, (MWSCAS '12)*, Boise, Idaho, Aug. 2012, pp. 754–757.
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- 10. Y. Lin and D. E. Kotecki, "2.9 30.3 GHz fourth-harmonic voltage–controlled oscillator in 130nm SiGe BiCMOS technology," in *Proc. of the IEEE International Conference on Electronics, Circuits and Systems (ICECS)*, Athens, Greece, Dec. 2010, pp. 401–404.
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