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The study on “A Study of Quantity Modifier Words in Thai Novels” was aimed at studying the type and formulation of quantity modifier words appeared in Thai novel by collecting data from Thai novel of 25 stories. The research of type showed that adverbial modification found all had 508 words, divided into 4 major types: an adverb modifying a noun of 83 words accounted for 16.34 percent of all quantity modifier words, an adverb modifying *a verb* of 386 words accounted for 75.98 percent of all quantity modifier words, an adverb modifying another adverb of 30 words accounted for 5.91 percent of all quantity modifier words and an adverb modifying a noun and a verb of 9 words accounted for 1.77 of all quantity modifier words.

Further, studied on the formulation of quantity modifier words in Thai novel at 4 different times showed that period 1 appeared adverbial modification of 107 words accounted for 20.46 percent, period 2 appeared adverbial modification of 145 words accounted for 27.72 percent, period 3 found 134 words accounted for 25.62 percent and period 4 found 137 words accounted for 26.2 percent of all 4 periods.

In addition, the researcher found that the formation position of quantity modifier words in Thai novel at all 4 periods had 3 positions: in front of major word, behind major word and in front of and behind major word. Thai novel had been used quantity modifier words at the most behind major word accounted for 95.25 percent of all quantity modifier words, secondary was the position in front of major word accounted for 4.78 of all quantity modifier words and the position in front of and behind major word accounted for 1.11 percent of all quantity modifier words.

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