

CHAPTER 5 RESULT AND EVALUATION

To evaluate the performance of a low complexity tone recognition for automatic tonal speech recognizer (ATSR), we evaluate our architecture by three categories:

1. Recognition accuracy
2. Calculation complexity
3. Processing time

We evaluate tone recognition accuracy by comparing autocorrelation method with proposed vowel-magnitude different function (V_{MDF}). We also evaluate recognition accuracy of automatic tonal speech recognizer (ATSR). We compare recognition accuracy between ATSR with tone recognition and ATSR without tone recognition. Processing time of tone recognition is tested with autocorrelation, series V_{MDF} , and parallel V_{MDF} . Finally, power consumption is evaluated by power consumption between autocorrelation, series V_{MDF} , and parallel V_{MDF} .

The evaluation is set by using the Thai voice command corpus database from the National Electronics and Computer Technology Center (NECTEC), Thailand [62].

5.1 Recognition Accuracy

We test the tone recognition with 110 Thai words comprising 187 syllables selected from voice activation for GPS systems and phone dialing options. The 110 test words and its tone results, and tables of international phonetic alphabets are shown in Appendix B. Each word is sampled at 11.025 kHz and 16-bit quantization. The frame length and frame shift are 23.2 ms and 11.6 ms, respectively. The consonant and vowel phonemes of the test words are illustrated by phonemic transcription [70].

In addition, we test the recognition accuracy of an automatic tonal speech recognizer with the proposed tone modeling and without the tone modeling by the word hidden Markov's models (HMMs). The models are evaluated by 45 speech data comprising 35 words having the same phoneme but different tones and 10 words selected from voice activation for GPS systems and phone dialing options. The models are trained on a speech corpus of 2,250 words collected from 5 native Thai speakers.

The word models are set from 32-state HMMs. The feature vectors consist of 12 MFCCs, 12 delta MFCCs, 12 delta-delta MFCCs, delta log energy, and delta-delta log energy. The total processing time and the power consumption are tested by 12 mW at 50 MHz.

The experimental results present the percentage improvement in frame reduction, recognition accuracy, and power consumption. The percentage improvement is calculated from

$$\text{Percentage Improvement} = \frac{V1 - V2}{V1} \times 100\%$$

where $V1$ is the value given from the conventional method, and $V2$ is the value from the proposed method.

The recognition accuracy is defined by:

$$Accuracy = \frac{\text{number of correctly classified words}}{\text{total classified words}} \times 100\%$$

To evaluate the tone recognition accuracy of autocorrelation (AC) and the proposed V_{MDF} , the vowel signals are used as the input of the system. We evaluate tone recognition accuracy with 110 test words. All F_0 trajectories are presented in Appendix C.

The recognition accuracy in percentage is shown in Figure 5.1 – Figure 5.6. Table 5.1 compares recognition accuracy between autocorrelation (AC) and the proposed V_{MDF} . The result indicates 4.4% recognition accuracy improvement. AC generally uses the whole input speech as an input signal. Since we use vowel signal as an input of tone recognition, the AC accuracy reduces.

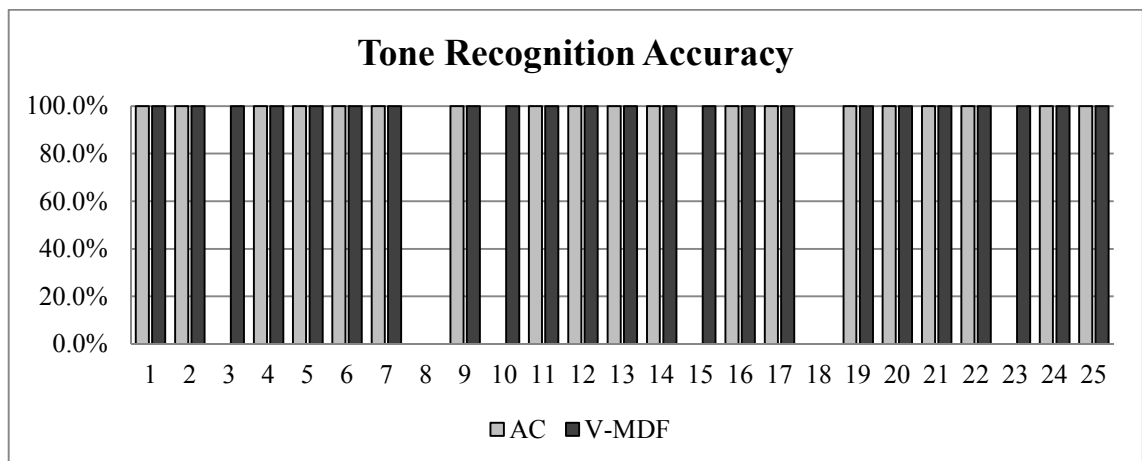


Figure 5.1 Comparison of tone recognition accuracy of the word 1-25

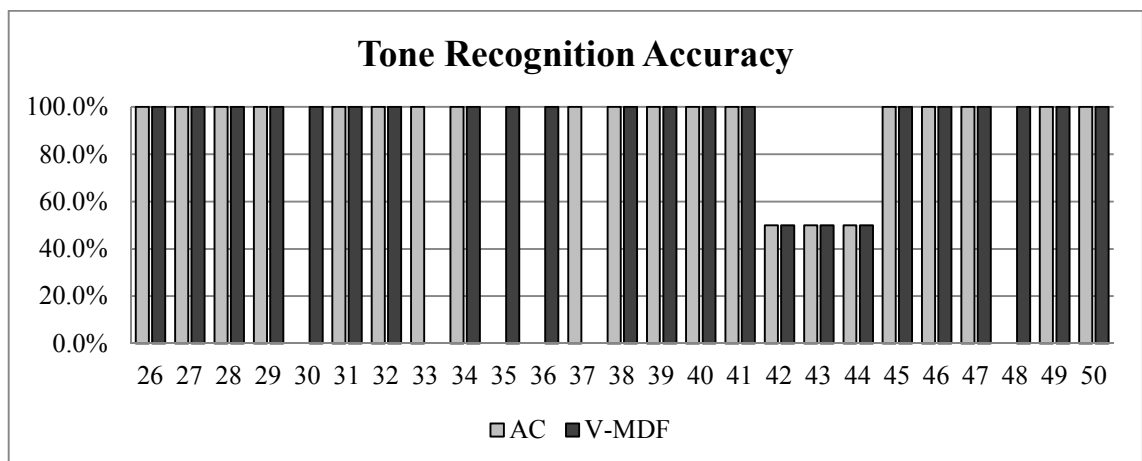


Figure 5.2 Comparison of tone recognition accuracy of the word 26-50

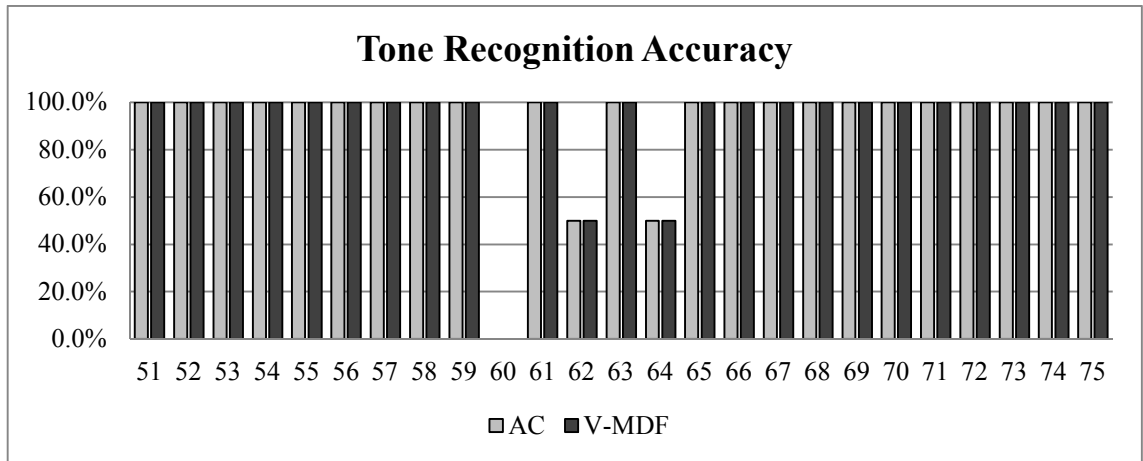


Figure 5.3 Comparison of tone recognition accuracy of the word 51-75

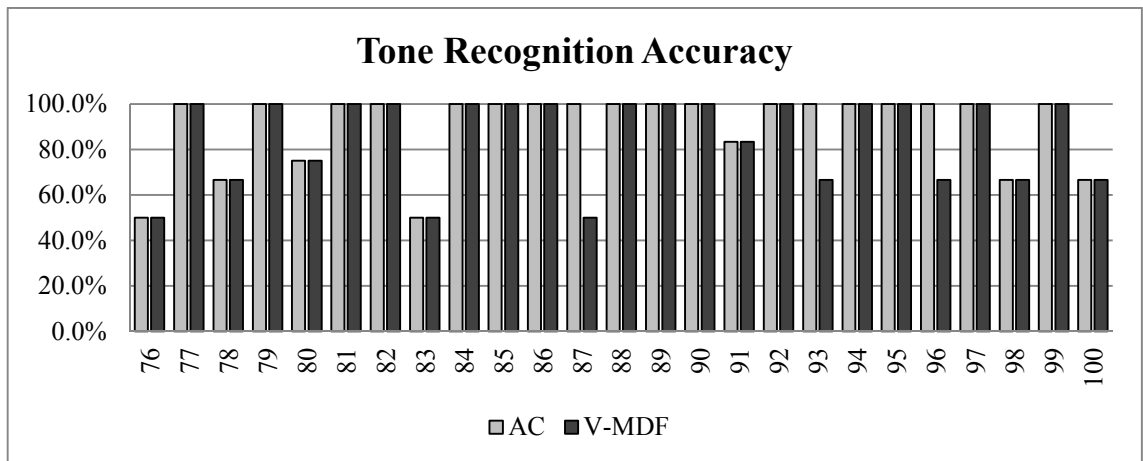


Figure 5.4 Comparison of tone recognition accuracy of the word 76-100

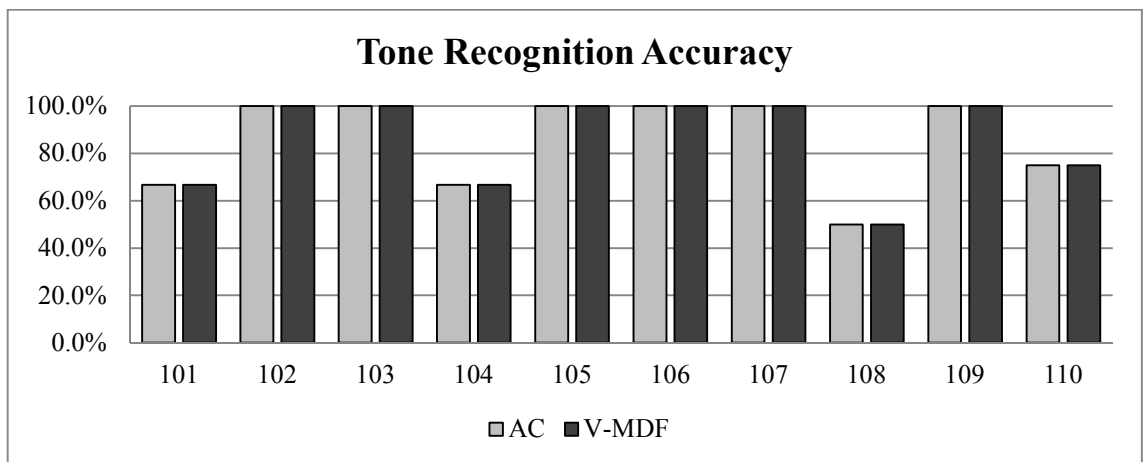


Figure 5.5 Comparison of tone recognition accuracy of the word 101-110

Table 5.1 Percentage improvement of tone recognition accuracy

Tone Recognition Method	Recognition Accuracy
Autocorrelation	84.2%
Proposed V_{MDF}	88.6%
Percentage Improvement	4.4%

Figure 5.6 and Figure 5.7 show speech recognition accuracy results comparing between automatic tonal speech recognizer (ATSR) with tone recognition and without tone recognition Table 5.2 shows the percentage improvement of recognition accuracy between ATSR with tone recognition and without tone recognition. The results show 26.3% recognition accuracy improvement. The recognition accuracy of ATSR with tone recognition is improved especially in the case of words having the same phoneme but different tones.

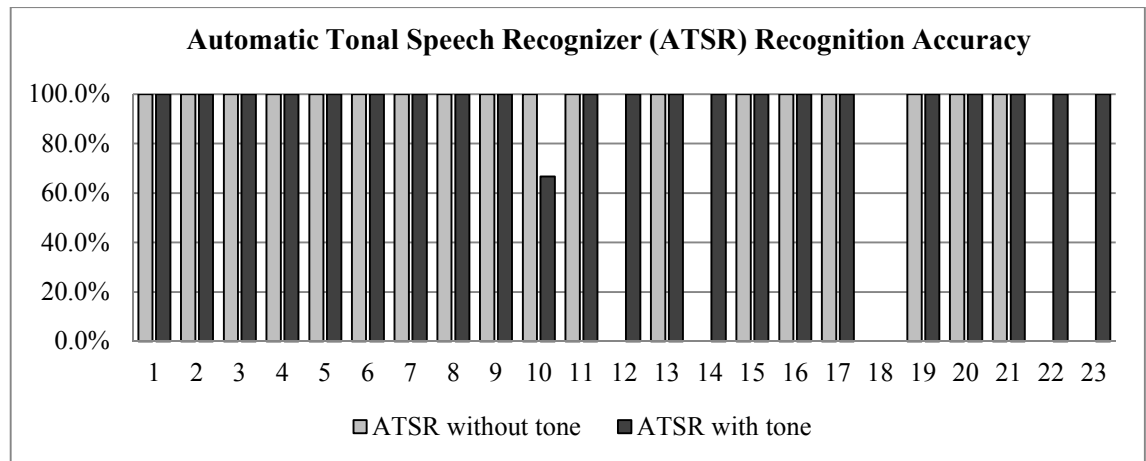
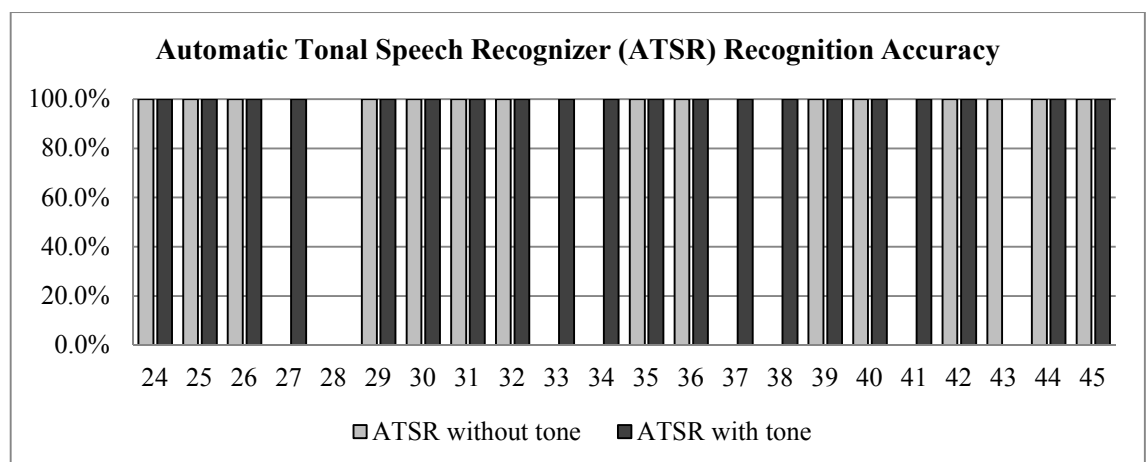
**Figure 5.6** Comparison of ATSR recognition accuracy of the word 1-23**Figure 5.7** Comparison of ATSR recognition accuracy of the word 24-45

Table 5.2 Percentage improvement of speech recognition accuracy

Tone Recognition Method	Recognition Accuracy
ATSR without tone recognition	73.3%
ATSR with tone recognition	92.6%
Percentage Improvement	26.3%

5.2 Calculation complexity

Table 5.3 compares the number of frames between the autocorrelation method and the proposed vowel-MDF (V_{MDF}) method. Autocorrelation finds F_0 features by using the entire input syllable. The V_{MDF} calculates F_0 features by using only vowel signals. This causes the V_{MDF} method to decrease the number of frames by 44.6%, compared with using the entire input syllable.

Since our architecture reduces the number input frame by using V_{MDF} method, we indicate the number of frame of the proposed method compared with using the entire syllable in Table 5.3.

Table 5.3 Number of frames

No.	Test Word	Thai Alphabet	Number of Frames		%Reduction
			Entire Syllable	V_{MDF}	
1	$m\bar{a}a$	มา	69	32	53.6%
2	$m`aa$	หม่า	117	47	59.8%
3	$m\hat{a}a$	ม่า	74	27	63.5%
4	$ma'a$	มี่า	85	39	54.1%
5	$m\check{a}a$	หมา	58	53	8.6%
6	$m\bar{i}i$	มี	84	46	45.2%
7	$m\grave{i}i$	หมี่	84	56	33.3%
8	$m\hat{i}i$	มี	63	34	46.0%
9	$mi'i$	มี	83	40	51.8%
10	$m\check{i}i$	หมี่	74	42	43.2%
11	$m\bar{a}y$	ไม	74	50	32.4%

Table 5.3 Number of frames (cont.)

No.	Test Word	Thai Alphabet	Number of Frames		%Reduction
			Entire Syllable	V_{MDF}	
12	<i>m`ay</i>	ใหม่	59	50	15.3%
13	<i>mây</i>	ใหม่	51	27	47.1%
14	<i>ma'y</i>	มี	74	33	55.4%
15	<i>măy</i>	ไหม	68	50	26.5%
16	<i>khāy</i>	ไคร	67	16	76.1%
17	<i>kh`ay</i>	ไค่	89	39	56.2%
18	<i>khây</i>	ไค้	53	11	79.2%
19	<i>kha'y</i>	ไค้	83	17	79.5%
20	<i>khăy</i>	ไค	82	25	69.5%
21	<i>kāy</i>	ไคล	68	37	45.6%
22	<i>k`ay</i>	ไค่	70	47	32.9%
23	<i>kây</i>	ไค้	54	41	24.1%
24	<i>ka'y</i>	ไค้	57	46	19.3%
25	<i>kăy</i>	ไค้	69	46	33.3%
26	<i>khāa</i>	คา	80	21	73.8%
27	<i>kh`aa</i>	ค่า	85	20	76.5%
28	<i>khâa</i>	ค่า,ค่า	78	42	46.2%
29	<i>kha'a</i>	ค่า	83	48	42.2%
30	<i>khăa</i>	คา	89	37	58.4%
31	<i>nāa</i>	นา	72	50	30.6%
32	<i>n`aa</i>	หน้า	78	37	52.6%
33	<i>nâa</i>	หน้า	60	36	40.0%
34	<i>na'a</i>	น้ำ	71	44	38.0%
35	<i>năa</i>	หนา	67	41	38.8%
36	<i>chûu</i>	ชื้อ	72	38	47.2%
37	<i>m`uu</i>	หมู่	76	46	39.5%

Table 5.3 Number of frames (cont.)

No.	Test Word	Thai Alphabet	Number of Frames		%Reduction
			Entire Syllable	V_{MDF}	
38	<i>s̄w̄y</i>	ชอย	88	44	50.0%
39	<i>kh̄eet</i>	เขต	65	30	53.8%
40	<i>lām/phōoŋ</i>	ลำโพง	92	73	20.7%
41	<i>hēen/ frīi</i>	แฮนด์ฟรี	90	62	31.1%
42	<i>s̄i aŋ/ rīak</i>	เสียงเรียก	75	57	24.0%
43	<i>p̄əət/s̄i aŋ</i>	เปิดเสียง	78	60	23.1%
44	<i>p̄it/s̄i aŋ</i>	ปิดเสียง	82	49	40.2%
45	<i>tām/ bōn</i>	ตำบล	67	60	10.4%
46	<i>w̄w̄ām/ ph̄əə</i>	อำเภอ	83	48	42.2%
47	<i>lōŋ</i>	ลง	59	44	25.4%
48	<i>khw̄āa</i>	ขวา	83	46	44.6%
49	<i>th̄at/ p̄āy</i>	ถัดไป	55	32	41.8%
50	<i>hm̄ān</i>	เหมือน	78	35	55.1%
51	<i>th̄ēēw</i>	แถว	24	6	75.0%
52	<i>l̄ūak</i>	เลือก	26	19	26.9%
53	<i>kh̄âam</i>	ข้าม	70	44	37.1%
54	<i>t̄at</i>	ตัด	77	47	39.0%
55	<i>p̄è</i>	แปะ	41	26	36.6%
56	<i>w̄w̄āw/ w̄w̄ōwk</i>	เอาออก	54	37	31.5%
57	<i>t̄ok/ lō ŋ</i>	ตกลง	26	13	50.0%
58	<i>s̄ūn ŋ</i>	สูง	79	27	65.8%
59	<i>t̄am</i>	ต่ำ	76	56	35.7%
60	<i>lôt</i>	ลด	44	28	36.4%
61	<i>ch̄ōwŋ</i>	ช่อง	60	34	43.3%
62	<i>t̄ēen/ t̄ūi</i>	แทนที่	41	14	65.9%
63	<i>m̄āak/ s̄ut</i>	มากที่สุด	74	50	32.4%

Table 5.3 Number of frames (cont.)

No	Test Word	Thai Alphabet	Number of Frames		%Reduction
			Entire Syllable	V_{MDF}	
64	<i>nóvɔy/sùt</i>	น้อยสุด	98	74	24.5%
65	<i>rā / dāp / sī aŋ</i>	ระคับเสียง	88	48	45.5%
66	<i>rûup/bèɛp</i>	รูปแบบ	83	36	56.6%
67	<i>rāay/kāan</i>	รายการ	88	55	37.5%
68	<i>sāt / sʻuan</i>	สัดส่วน	88	62	29.5%
69	<i>hyʻut / phāp</i>	หยุดภาพ	59	35	40.7%
70	<i>tām / saʻm</i>	ทำซ้ำ	102	77	24.5%
71	<i>phēen/tii</i>	แผนที่	55	32	41.8%
72	<i>cīi / phīi / ๑๑ ēt</i>	จีพีเอส	78	35	55.1%
73	<i>plāay/thāaŋ</i>	ปลายทาง	24	6	75.0%
74	<i>nām / thāa ŋ</i>	นำทาง	98	74	24.5%
75	<i>pāy / tīi</i>	ไปที่	88	48	45.5%
76	<i>sēen/thāaŋ</i>	เส้นทาง	88	44	50.0%
77	<i>rōoŋ/rēem</i>	โรงแรม	85	56	34.1%
78	<i>cūt / phâk / ph ๑๑ n</i>	จุดพักผ่อน	85	66	22.4%
79	<i>phāt / tāa / khāan</i>	ภัยพิบัติ	98	40	59.2%
80	<i>khriŋ/pràp/āa/kàat</i>	เครื่องปรับอากาศ	56	16	71.4%
81	<i>cʻut / tʻat</i>	จุดตัด	92	57	38.0%
82	<i>cʻut/chōm/wīw</i>	จุดชมวิว	81	30	63.0%
83	<i>rót/tit</i>	รถติด	29	9	69.0%
84	<i>thōo/rā/sàp</i>	โทรศัพท์	71	24	66.2%
85	<i>thōo/dùan</i>	โทรด่วน	40	21	47.5%
86	<i>rāay/kāan/thōo</i>	รายการโทร	51	23	54.9%
87	<i>wāaŋ/sāay</i>	วางสาย	77	33	57.1%
88	<i>thōo</i>	โทร	99	63	36.4%

Table 5.3 Number of frames (cont.)

No.	Test Word	Thai Alphabet	Number of Frames		%Reduction
			Entire Syllable	V_{MDF}	
89	<i>srâa η</i>	สร้าง	90	71	21.1%
90	<i>p̄ii</i>	ปี	81	43	46.9%
91	<i>prā/chūm/tāaη/thōo/rā/sàp</i>	ประชุมทางโทรศัพท์	37	24	35.1%
92	<i>rāp/sāay</i>	รับสาย	50	8	84.0%
93	<i>mây/rāp/sāay</i>	ไม่รับสาย	99	48	51.5%
94	<i>wēe/lāa/thōo</i>	เวลาโทร	72	51	29.2%
95	<i>pāan / klāa η</i>	ปานกลาง	60	31	48.3%
96	<i>cūt / rōoy / tōw</i>	จุกรอยต่อ	107	62	42.1%
97	<i>nāy / m̄hāη</i>	ในเมือง	75	58	22.7%
98	<i>khōw / m̄uun / kāan / cā / rāa / cōwn</i>	ข้อมูลการจราจร	90	42	53.3%
99	<i>dūan</i>	ควาน	98	68	30.6%
100	<i>tū / rā / kīt</i>	ธุรกิจ	180	104	42.2%
101	<i>th̄w / sāay / rōw</i>	ถือสายรอ	64	15	76.6%
102	<i>sūan / tūaw</i>	ส่วนตัว	62	32	48.4%
103	<i>d̄hān</i>	เดือน	77	54	29.9%
104	<i>pā / t̄i / th̄n</i>	ปฏิทิน	65	32	50.8%
103	<i>d̄hān</i>	เดือน	67	14	79.1%
104	<i>pā / t̄i / th̄n</i>	ปฏิทิน	59	22	62.7%
105	<i>t̄hān / khāam / cām</i>	เดือนความจำ	91	30	67.0%
100	<i>tū / rā / kīt</i>	ธุรกิจ	77	57	26.0%
101	<i>th̄w / sāay / rōw</i>	ถือสายรอ	62	18	71.0%
102	<i>sūan / tūaw</i>	ส่วนตัว	61	31	49.2%
103	<i>d̄hān</i>	เดือน	63	45	28.6%
104	<i>pā / t̄i / th̄n</i>	ปฏิทิน	57	25	56.1%
105	<i>t̄hān / khāam / cām</i>	เดือนความจำ	62	32	48.4%

Table 5.3 Number of frames (cont.)

No.	Test Word	Thai Alphabet	Number of Frames		%Reduction
			Entire Syllable	V_{MDF}	
106	<i>ṇāan</i>	งาน	77	54	29.9%
107	<i>wān/kəət</i>	วันเกิด	65	32	50.8%
108	<i>sāp/dāa</i>	สัปดาห์	67	14	79.1%
109	<i>gēem</i>	เกมส์	59	22	62.7%
110	<i>sā/mùt/thōo/sàp</i>	สมุดโทรศัพท์	91	30	67.0%
Average					44.6%

5.3 Processing Time

We compare total processing time of the proposed method in data allocation (DA) of PE1 and processing time in PE1 to PE3. Figure 5.8 indicates the reduction in processing time between using the general data arrangement and the proposed data allocation (DA). The proposed data allocation reduces the number of clock cycles by 50.2%. This decreases the amount of processing time when the tone recognition requires input signals.

The proposed tone recognition reduces the number of frames by using V_{MDF} . In addition, the tone recognition executes the whole system by using pipeline and parallel architecture. Therefore, this recognition system decreases total processing time and consumes low power. Figure 5.9 shows the experimental result of total processing time. Note that 183 is the maximum frame of this paper. According to the results, the proposed tone recognition is suitable for portable electronic equipment.

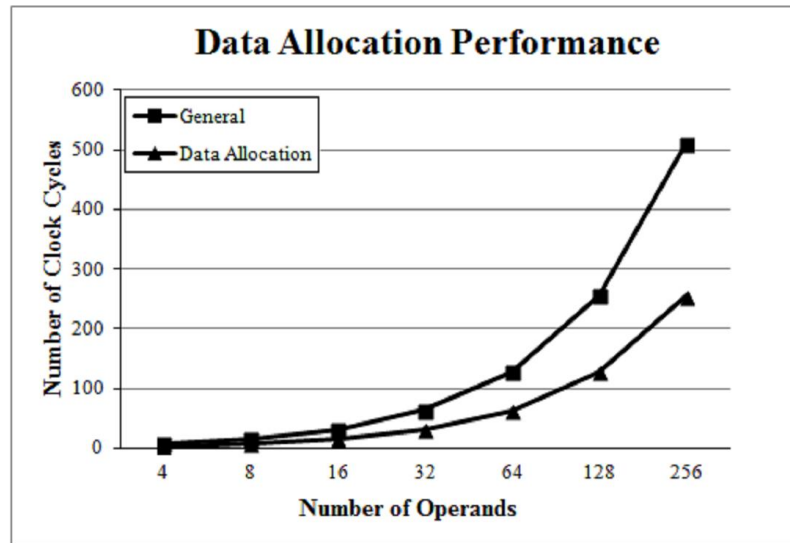


Figure 5.8 Data allocation performance

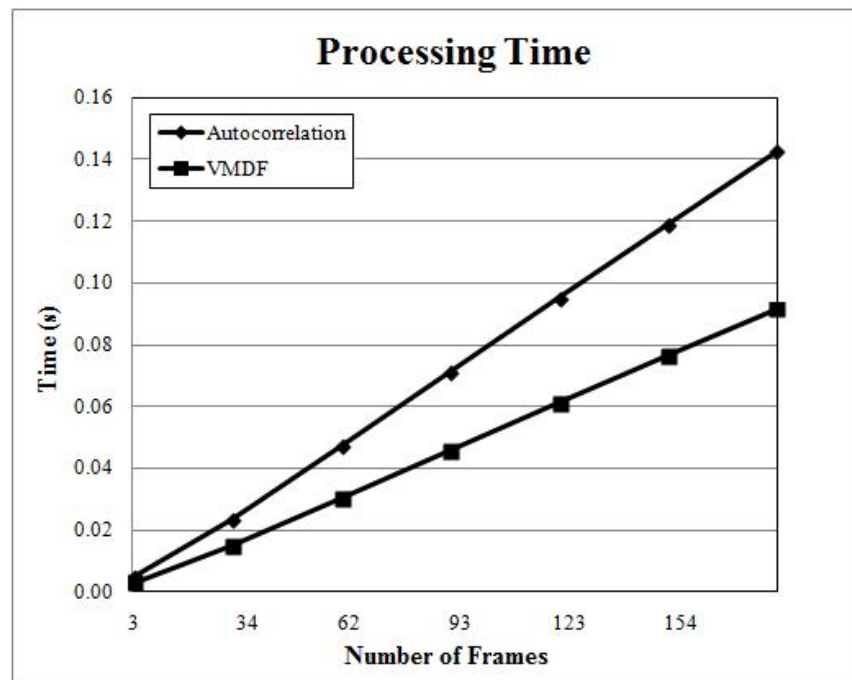


Figure 5.9 Total processing time