

Space Modulation Techniques Hardware Implementations

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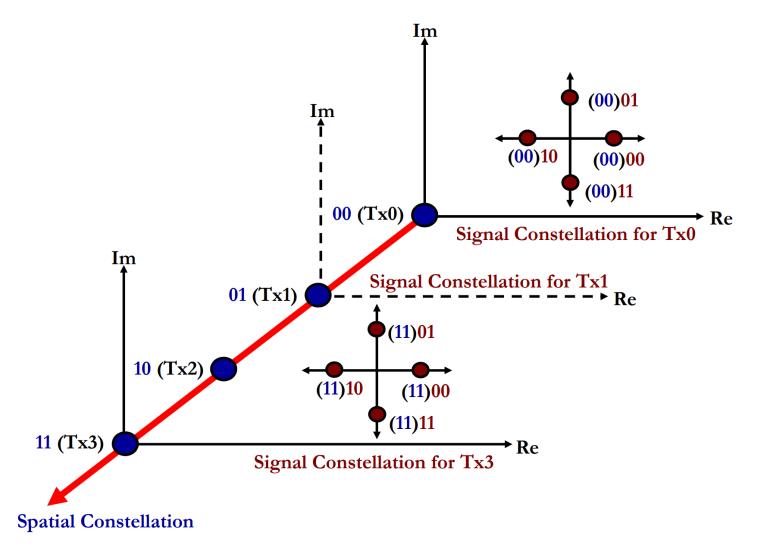
Space Modulation History



- Theory first popular in 2008
 - Mesleh, Raed Y., et al. "Spatial modulation." *IEEE Transactions on vehicular technology* 57.4 (2008): 2228-2241.
- First formal definition of Space Modulation Techniques (SMT) hardware models published in 2017 and patented in 2018
 - Mesleh, Raed, et al. "Transmitter design and hardware considerations for different space modulation techniques." *IEEE Transactions on Wireless Communications* 16.11 (2017): 7512-7522.
 - Raed Mesleh, and Omar Hiari. "Single RF chain transmitter implementing space modulation." U.S. Patent No. 9,954,586. 24 Apr. 2018.
- Additional definitions followed for transmit and receive techniques as well.

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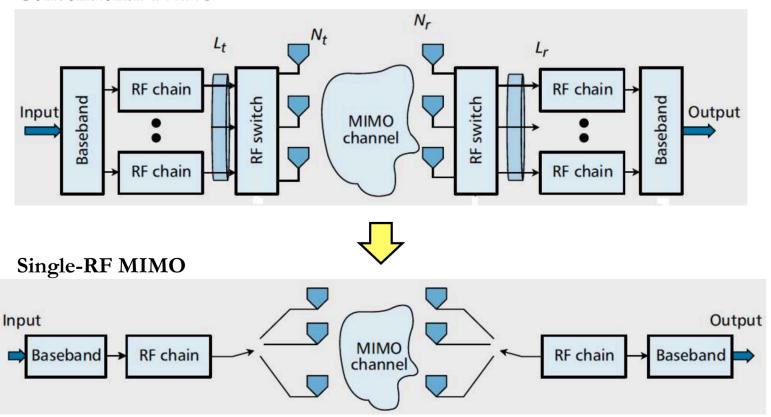
What is Space Modulation?



One RF Chain!



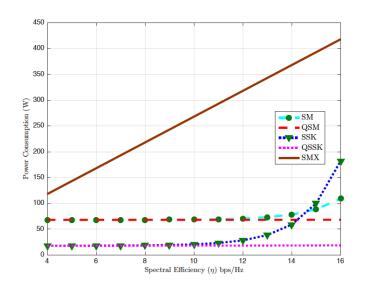
Conventional MIMO

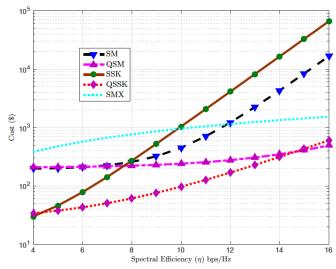


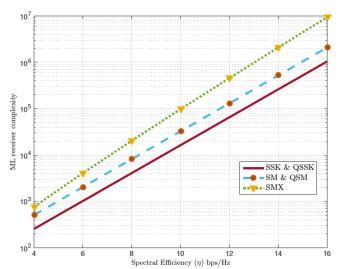
Source: **A. Mohammadi and F. M. Ghannouchi**, "Single RF Front-End MIMO Transceivers", IEEE Commun. Mag., Vol. 49, No. 12, pp. 104-109, Dec. 2011.



Low Power, Low Cost, Low Complexity







Source: Mesleh, Raed, Omar Hiari, Abdelhamid Younis, and Sahel Alouneh.

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Samsung 5G Trials – Nov. 2016



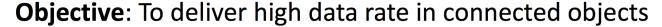


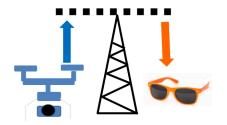
Beijing China – November 09, 2016 - Samsung Electronics announced today it has successfully conducted 5G prototype trial in conjunction with China Mobile Research Institute (CMRI), which was a cooperation milestone between the two companies since Samsung became a member of China Mobile 5G Innovation Center in June 2016.

During the 5G trial test in Beijing, the key technologies like spatial modulation and FBMC (Filter Bank Multicarrier) are validated for the low-frequency (3.5GHz), the performance of throughput, outband emission are tested. Mich cambaing's ultra-high frequency 5G prototype system and devices powered by advanced beam forming technology, Samsung and China Mobile Research Institute sought to verify mmWave technology's performance and frequency characteristics jointly, including mobility, peak throughput, and multi-user scheduling capacity, as well as mmWave transmission at indoor, penetration loss, etc.

The Spatial Modulation Project – Consortium Lead by Orange







Base Station: Massive MIMO + Advanced signal processing

5G links

Object: Miniature antenna(s) + Simple signal processing

Visual demonstration of Transmit Spatial Modulation

Object transmits with the rate of 2 antennas but has the cost and consumption of 1 antenna base station object



Source: SpatialModulation Project (2016-2019): https://spatmodulation.cms.orange-labs.fr/

Intel Patent – Filed Oct 2017





- (19) United States
- (12) Patent Application Publication (10) Pub. No.: US 2017/0288933 A1 Mohamed et al.

 - Oct. 5, 2017 (43) **Pub. Date:**

- (54) WIRELESS SIGNAL RECEIVER
- Applicant: Intel IP Corporation, Santa Clara, CA (US)
- (72) Inventors: Ahmed Gamal Helmy Mohamed, Santa Clara, CA (US); Thomas J. Kenney, Portland, OR (US); Shahrnaz Azizi, Cupertino, CA (US)
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- (57)

A satisfactory list detection (LD) receiver based on spatial modulation (SM) orthogonal frequency division multiplexthe LD receiver can implement a suboptimal LD detection process that relies on a reduced search space an optimal joint ML detection-based process for the SM-OFDM transmission mode. In some aspects, the overall search space for the optimal joint ML is determined by the total spectral efficiency, which can be divided into two information categories with two different search spaces defined by the number of bits of each category. As such, in some aspects, the LD receiver can permit detecting, with reduced complexity, antenna bits and data bits based on a determination of respective log-likelihood ratios.

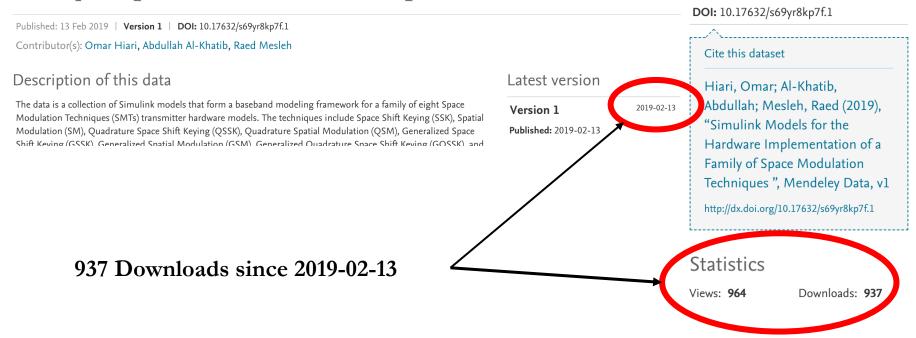
Source: Mohamed, Ahmed Gamal Helmy, Thomas J. Kenney, and Shahrnaz Azizi.

"Wireless signal receiver." U.S. Patent Application 15/085,299, filed October 5, 2017.

Publicly Published Hardware Simulation Models



Simulink Models for the Hardware Implementation of a Family of Space Modulation Techniques

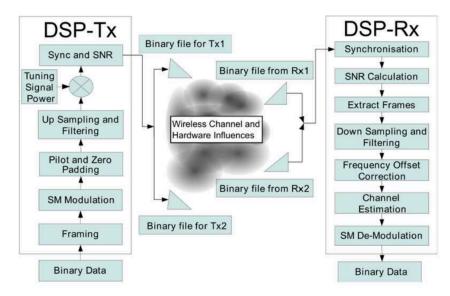


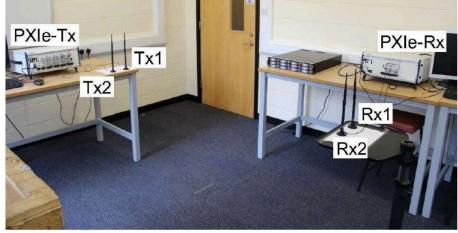
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Paper: Hiari, Omar, Raed Mesleh, and Abdullah Al-Khatib. "A System Simulation Framework for Modeling Space Modulation Techniques." *IEEE Systems Journal* (2019).

First Hardware Measurements (2013)







Source: Serafimovski, Nikola, Abdelhamid Younis, Raed Mesleh, Pat Chambers, Marco Di Renzo, Cheng-Xiang Wang, Peter M. Grant, Mark A. Beach, and Harald Haas. "Practical Implementation of Spatial Modulation." *IEEE Transactions on Vehicular Technology* 62, no. 9 (2013): 4511-4523.

Our Focus

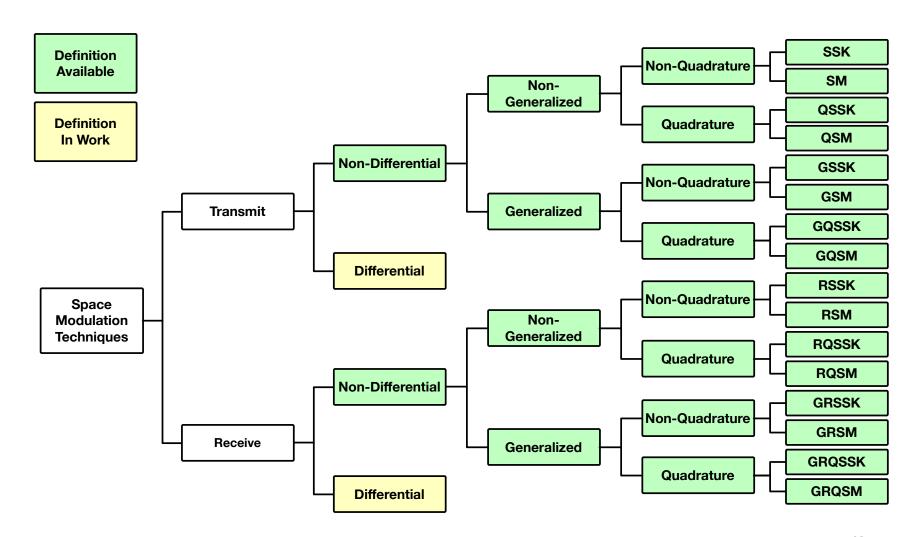


- Defining hardware model implementation possibilities for Space Modulation
 - Dubbed Space Modulation Techniques (SMTs)
- Realizing the actual models as prototypes



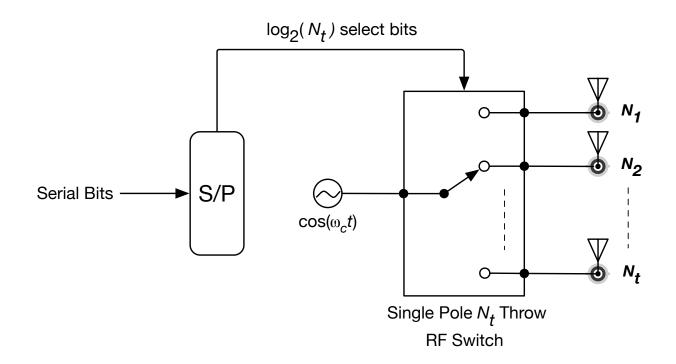
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Taxonomy of SMTs



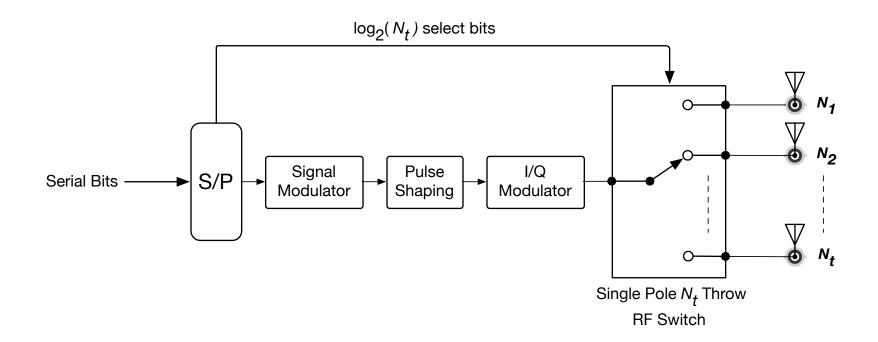


Example of Basic Model (SSK)



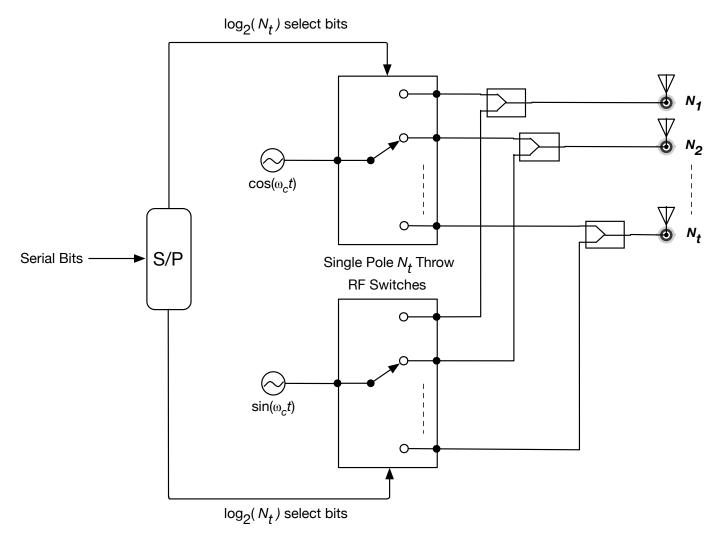


Example of Basic Model (SM)



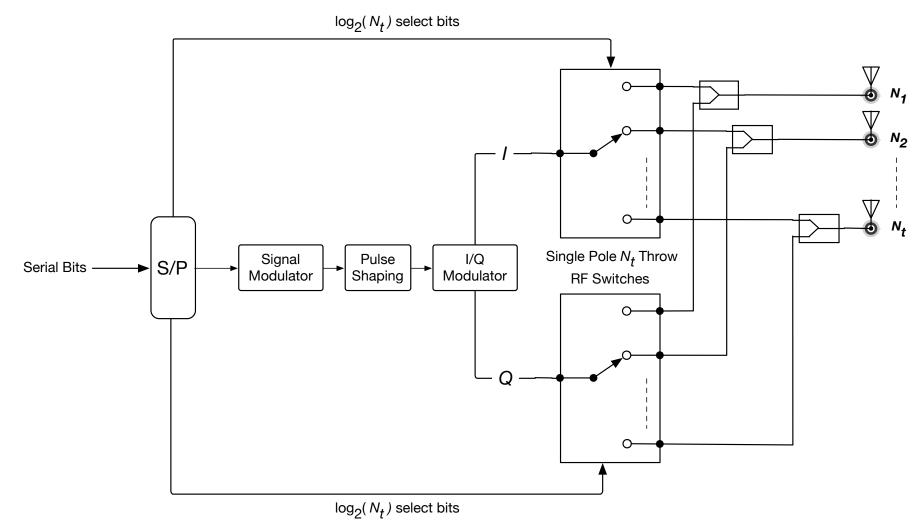


Example of Basic Model (QSSK)





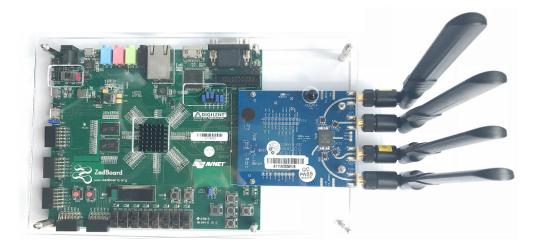
Example of Basic Model (QSM)







- Based on Xilinx Zynq development boards' (FPGA-based SoC) and AD9361 Analog Devices front end
- Developed prototype implements SSK 2x2 and 4x2 configurations

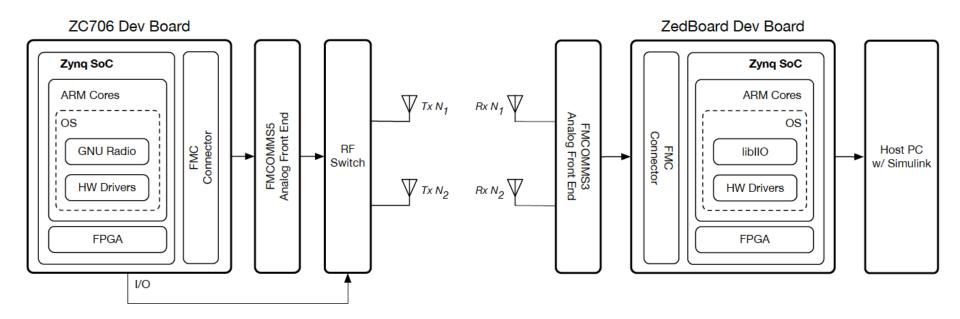






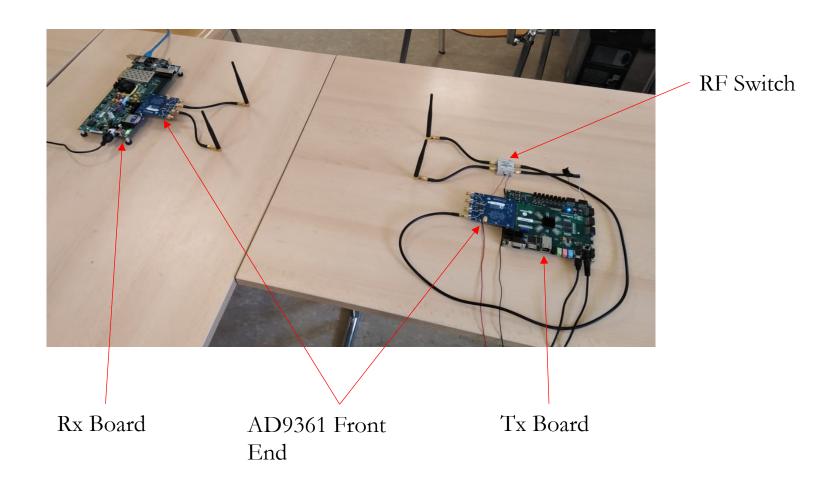


Hardware System Architecture



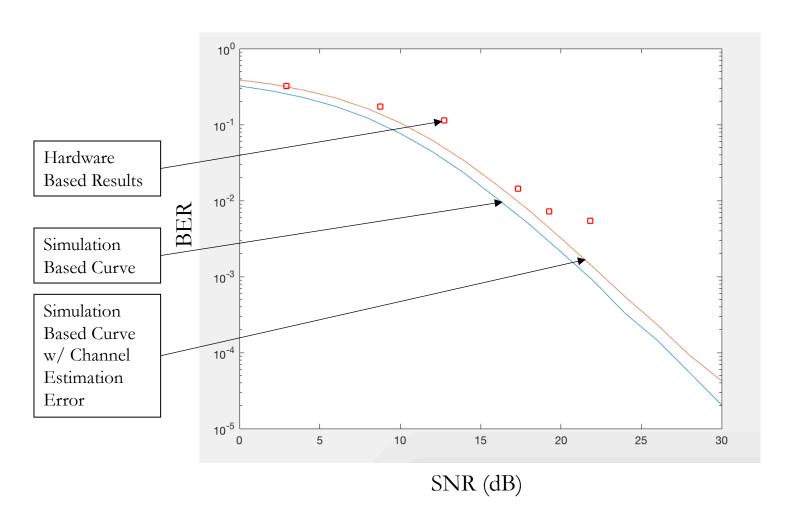
Picture of Lab Setup







Obtained Performance Results for SSK



Accomplishments Thus Far



- Hardware definitions
 - All SMTs except differential
 - SMT hardware models patented under US Patent No. 9,954,586
 - 13 Papers published and others under review or being prepared
 - Published SMTs Simulink models in Feb 2019 available publicly
 - https://data.mendeley.com/datasets/s69yr8kp7f/1
- Hardware Prototypes (SDR-based)
 - 2x2 and 4x2 SSK transmitter and receiver



Ongoing Activities

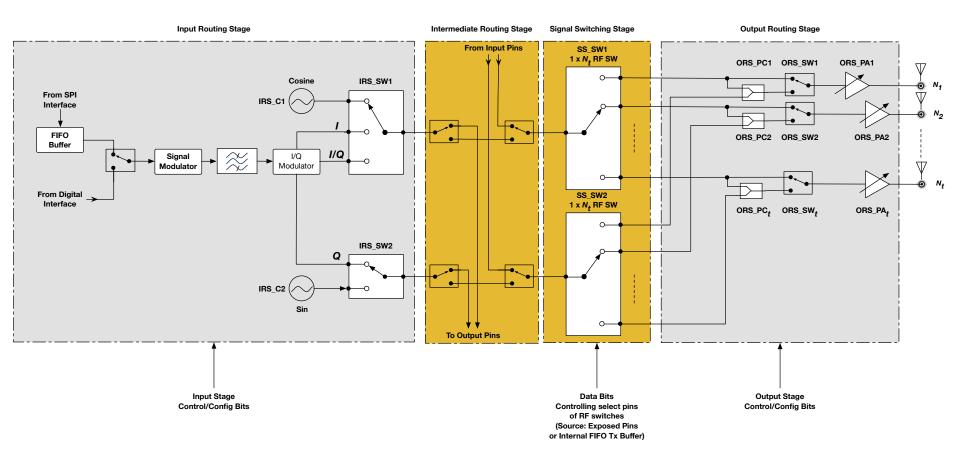


- Definition of differential techniques
- Real-time receiver implementation
- Hardware prototypes for additional SMTs
- Reliability assessment of SMT hardware
- VLSI Implementations for non-differential transmit SMTs
 - Initial low level simulations indicate that up to 0.5 Gbps data rate can be achieved on a 2x2 SSK configuration → 1 Gbps for 2x2 QSSK configuration



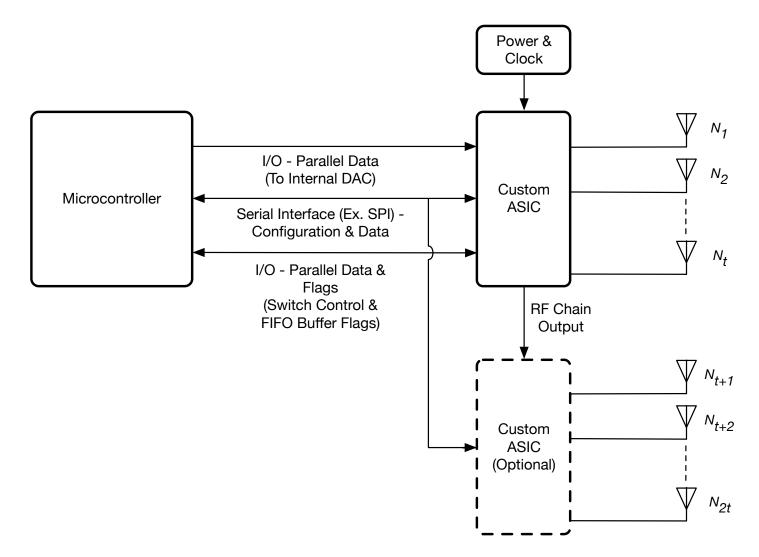
One Chip, Many Possibilities







Easy System Expansion w/ Single Chain



Areas for Support



- Patenting the definition of the remainder of hardware techniques
- Funding of VLSI implementations for commercial purposes
- Expanding testing to larger scale Ex. Base stations or Massive MIMO



Some Selected Publications



- Hiari, O., Mesleh, R., & Al-Khatib, A. (2019). "A System Simulation Framework for Modeling Space Modulation Techniques". *IEEE Systems Journal*.
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