

Implementation of MMIC-Based Link for Data Transmission of Complex Modulated Signals in the E-Band

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ABSTRACT

This paper presents the wireless data transmission of complex modulated signals in the E-band using a MMIC-based link compared to the current state of the art in millimeter-wave wireless communication. Highly linear and extremely broadband frontend components in combination with the latest equipment to generate and analyze broadband complex data signals are used in this experiment. The received signal quality is evaluated in terms of EVM and BER. An error free QPSK transmission with a data rate of 40 Gbit/s over a wireless distance of 6m is presented, while the transmission of 80 Gbit/s signals, achieved by 16-QAM modulation, results in a BER of 3.7×10^{-3} .

Index Terms—Millimeter-wave communication, wireless communication, data transmission, E-band, millimeter-wave monolithic integrated circuit (MMIC), radio link, complex modulated data signals

INTRODUCTION

Driven by the expanding number and reach out of up and coming applications in our worldwide and interconnected world, similar to interpersonal organizations, distributed computing or superior quality video-on-demand, the requirement for both, wireline and remote information rates to meet the client's necessities, rises ceaselessly. Fiber optical arrangements are intended for today's wireline applications giving information rates up to a few Tbit/s. To accomplish high information rates for remote connections, both the transfer speed and unearthly effectiveness should be expanded. Since multi-gigabit information rates require multi-GHz transfer

speed, increasingly gatherings are working in the alleged millimeter wave (mmW) (30 to 300 GHz) or even sub-millimeter wave district (past 300 GHz).

Fig. 1 speaks to the cutting edge for mmW remote correspondence joins, where every image speaks to a production, organized by the accomplished information rate and transmission separate. The vast majority of the gatherings create motions in the optical area and change over them to mmW recurrence by heterodyning on a uni-traveling-carrier (UTC) photodiode. Those gatherings utilize either Schottky-hindrance diodes at the beneficiary or monolithic integrated circuit (MMIC) based arrangements. Different gatherings are going

Due to the enormous bandwidth of the RF-frontend components, up to now the transmission experiments were limited in bandwidth by the measurement equipment, especially by the data signal source. For this experiment a Keysight arbitrary wave form generator (AWG) M8195A with a maximum sample rate of 65 GSa/s, 20 GHz analog bandwidth and 8 bit vertical resolution was used as signal source. The AWG's differential output channels are directly connected to the transmitter module and set to the maximum output amplitude of 2Vpp. Compared to the transmitter and receiver module, with 18 and 12 GHz of bandwidth, the AWG does not limit the bandwidth for these measurements. At the receiver's output, the I- and Q-signals are postamplified by broadband and phase-matched 22 dB amplifiers and captured by a Keysight DSA-X 96204Q Infiniium high performance real-time oscilloscope with 160 GSa/s sample rate, an analog bandwidth of 63 GHz and 8 bit vertical resolution. The high accuracy in time and amplitude combined with the huge memory depth of 2 Gpts allows a detailed analysis of the received signal quality. To provide accurate phase relations for the baseband data, phase-matched RF cables with a phase difference below 0.25° at 20 GHz are used in the whole setup.

SIGNAL GENERATION AND ANALYSIS

To generate the complex I/Q-data signals for this experiment, an order 15 pseudorandom binary sequence (PRBS15) was generated in MATLAB. This bitstream is used as data source. In the next step, the bits are mapped to complex symbols by taking two bits per symbol for quadrature phase shift keying (QPSK) modulation, three bits for 8-PSK and 8-quadrature amplitude modulation (8-QAM), and four bits per symbol for 16-QAM. Repeating each symbol three times and operating the Keysight M8195A AWG at 60

GSa/s leads to a symbol rate of 20 GBd and due to the different spectral efficiencies to data rates of 40 Gbit/s (QPSK), 60 Gbit/s (8-PSK and 8-QAM) and 80 Gbit/s (16-QAM), respectively.

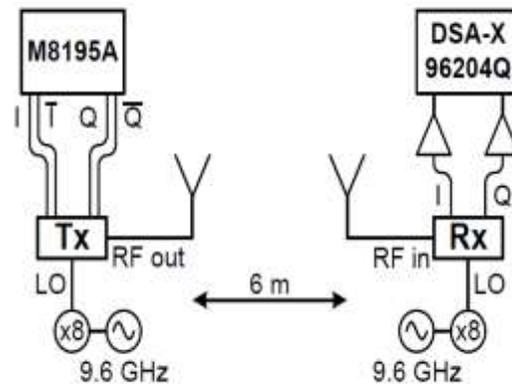


Fig 2. Measurement setup for the 6m incoherent wireless transmission.

The I and Q-part of those mind boggling signs are advanced to simple changed over by two channels out of the AWG and specifically nourished to the transmitter module. On the recipient side, simple to advanced transformation is finished by the DSA-X 96204Q oscilloscope, catching the signs in recordings with a length of 500 μs. Because of the free running synthesizers and since there is no equipment bearer recuperation executed in this setup, the two LO signals don't work at the very same recurrence and the stage distinction is changing after some time. Utilizing Keysight's vector signal analyzer (VSA) programming, the got signal is subdivided in 2000 bundles, each containing 4096 images and dissected in computerized disconnected preparing. The VSA programming plays out the bearer recuperation and recurrence evening out to adjust for the recurrence and stage float of the LO signals and for the recurrence reaction of the general transmission system.

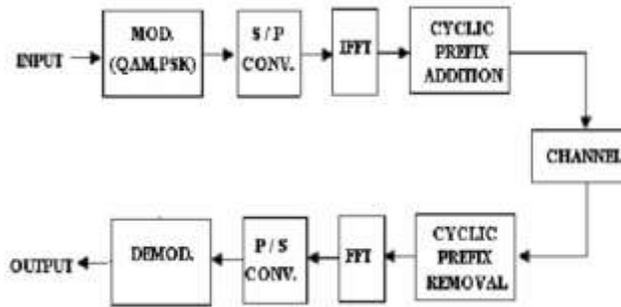


Fig 3: Block Diagram

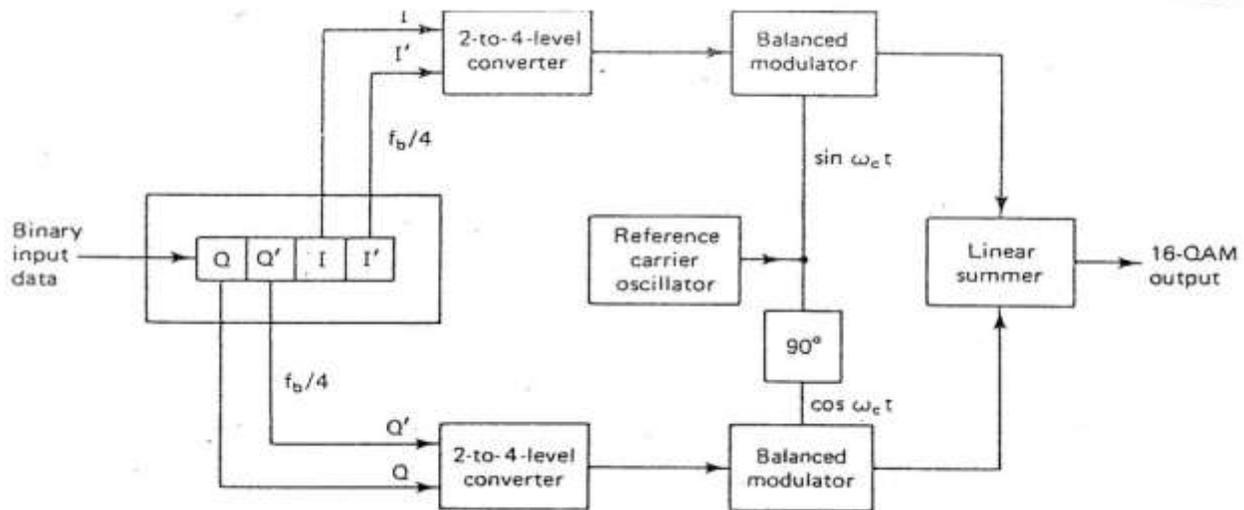


Fig 4: QAM Structure

The got signal is explored as far as blunder vector size (EVM), which serves as measure for the broke down signal quality. To decide the genuine execution of the information transmission additionally the bit blunder proportion (BER) is assessed. The demodulated bitstream is exchanged to MATLAB. The group of stars outline spoke to by the VSA programming can be mapped in various courses because of inevitable turns

and reflecting created by the ambiguous LO signals. Along these lines, the crosscorrelation between the first signal in every conceivable mapping and the got signal is performed to decide the mapping and position in time. Contrasting the transmitted piece succession and the got signal, the BER is ascertained by the proportion between the quantity of mistaken bits and the aggregate number of looked at bits:

$$BER = \frac{\text{No. of erroneous bits}}{\text{No. of compared bits}}$$

MEASUREMENT RESULTS

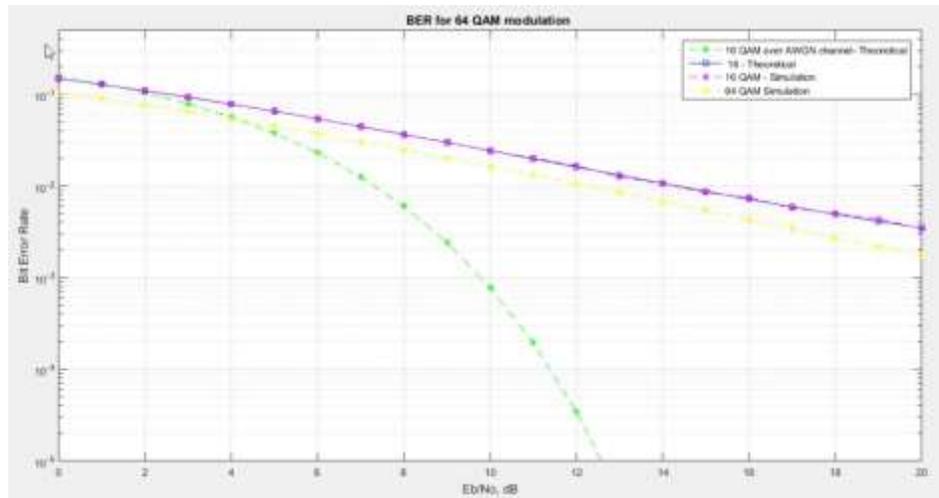


Fig 5: BER Analysis

The constellation diagrams together with the corresponding EVM and BER values of the

received 20 GBd signals after a wireless transmission distance of 6m are shown in Fig. 6(a) and 6(b).

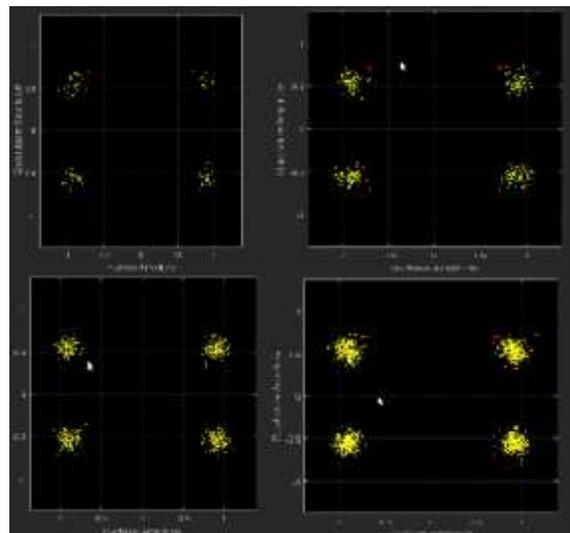


Fig 6(a): Constellation Diagrams of 16 QAM and 32 QAM

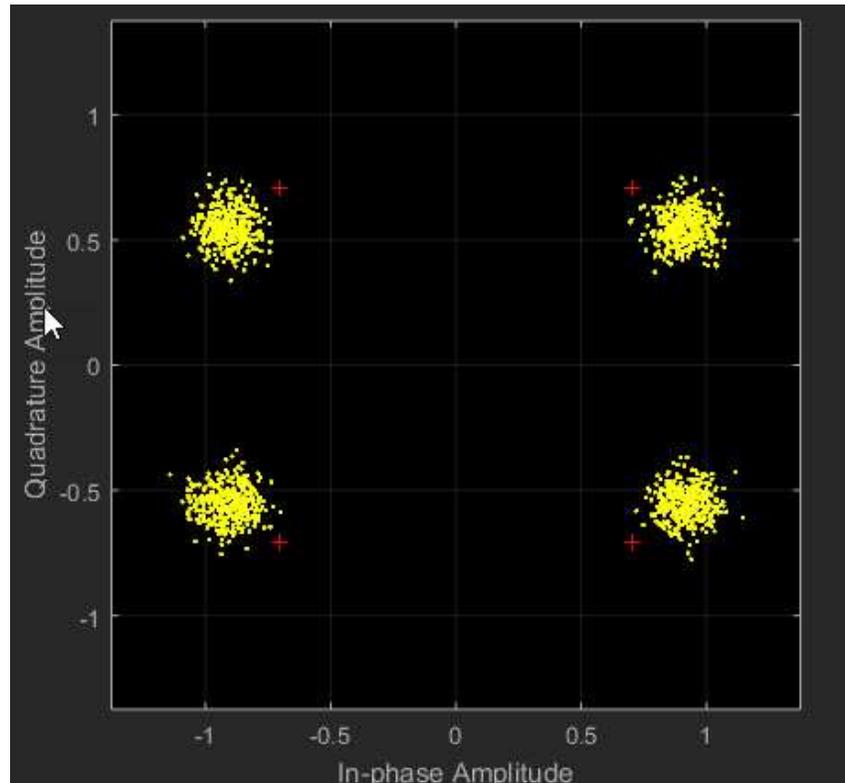


Fig. 6(b): Constellation diagrams of the received 20 Gbd signals transmitted over a wireless distance of 6 m.

CONCLUSION

We effectively exhibited MMIC-based information transmission at 77 GHz focus recurrence with record information rates up to 80 Gbit/s. The broadband information signal was produced utilizing a Keysight M8195A AWG specifically associated with the transmitter module. After 6m remote transmission, the complex baseband signal was caught by a Keysight DSA-X 96204Q ongoing oscilloscope and broke down as far as EVM and BER. To the best of our insight and as demonstrated by a best in class examination, this paper exhibits the most elevated information rate accomplished in E-band remote information transmission. A mistake free QPSK transmission with an

information rate of 40 Gbit/s is displayed, while the 80 Gbit/s transmission of 64-QAM adjusted signs brings about a BER of 2.7×10^{-3} .

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