5G Millimeter-wave 1024-QAM Gigabit Transceivers with Digitally-enabled “Smart” Functions.

Abstract: For future multi-band 5G radio, auto-band-switching is an essential function to optimize RF performance and to simplify the system control interface. A Miller-divider-type frequency sensor can be used to detect the frequency of input signal and perform auto-band-switching inside RFIC without any system control bits. For parametric sensitive 3rd-order nonlinearity, we need parametric-insensitive calibration methods to compensate the non-ideal behavior within RFIC.

To optimize system EVM performance, IQ modulator/demodulator are the key components to compensate IQ mismatch at RF frequency, which is also the enabling technology for gigabit 1024-QAM wireless links. For IQ self-calibration at RF frequency, the phase compensation has more design challenges than the amplitude calibration, so composite right/left-handed transmission line, switching capacitor array, and phase shifters have been proposed in the IQ phase calibration. All above built-in self-calibration and auto-switching functions are innovated to pave the road to the next-generation millimeter-wave 5G mobile smart RFIC.

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