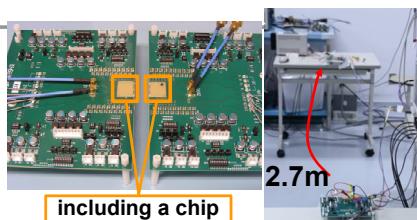


A 60-GHz 16QAM 11Gb/s Direct-Conversion Transceiver in 65nm CMOS

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1. Abstract

The 60GHz transceiver successfully achieves 7Gbps using 16QAM and 3.5Gbps using QPSK at a distance of 2.7m.



including a chip

2.7m

2. Background

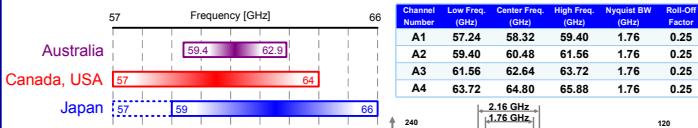
• 60 GHz Communications

9 GHz unlicensed band at 60 GHz

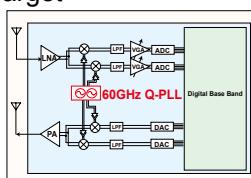
• Several Gbps transfer rate speed

3.5 Gbps/ch (QPSK)

7 Gbps/ch (16QAM)



• Target



Direct conversion architecture for single chip implementation

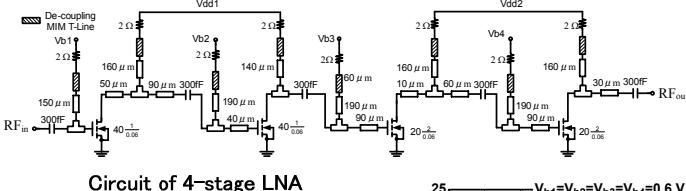
- Small area
- Low power dissipation

4. 60GHz TRx

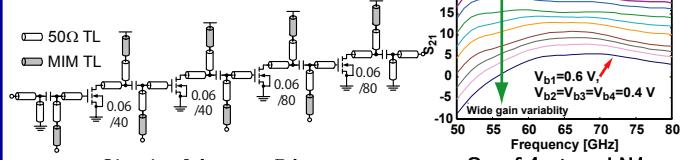
• 60GHz Low Noise Amplifier and Power Amplifier

- Low loss transmission line is used

- CMOS 65nm technology



Circuit of 4-stage LNA



Circuit of 4-stage PA

Comparison of LNA

	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	This work
Tech.	90nm	90nm	65nm	90nm	65nm
Topology	CS	Cas.	Diff.Cas.	Cas.	CS-CS
Stage	3	2	3	3	4
BW[GHz]	5	8	7.7	14	17
Gain[dB]	15.0	15.5	19.3	20.0	24
NF[dB]	4.4	6.5	6.1	6.8	4.0-7.6
Power[mW]	3.9	86	35	36	30

Comparison of PA

	[1]	[2]	This work
Tech.	65nm	45nm	65nm
Freq.[GHz]	60	60	61.5
Gain[dB]	15.8	13.8	20.5
P1dB[dBm]	2.5	11	9.9
PAE[%]	3.95	-	6.68

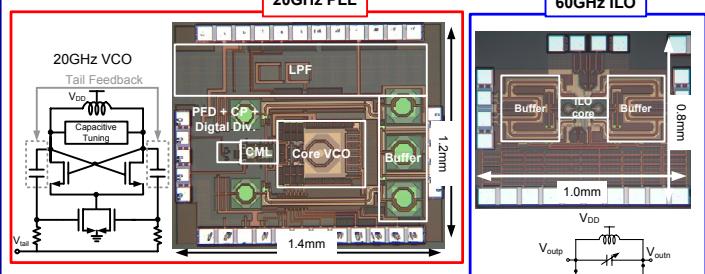
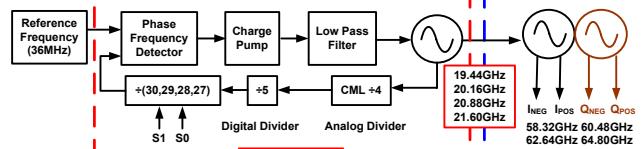
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Very good NF and PAE have been achieved.

3. 60GHz Local Oscillator (LO)

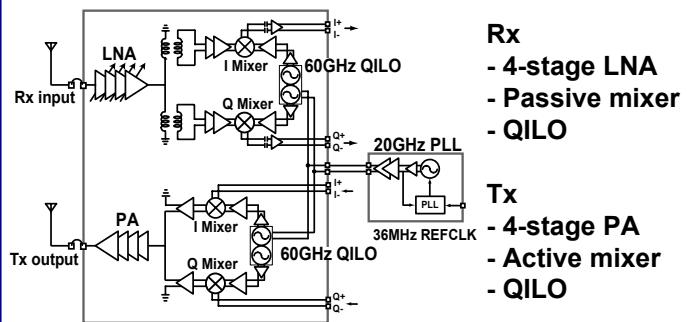
The LO is composed of a 20GHz PLL and a 60GHz frequency tripler(ILO) to achieve a low phase noise and 9GHz frequency tuning range[1].



	This work	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]
Freq.[GHz]	54~61	57 ~ 66	64 ~ 66	51 ~ 53	58 ~ 60
P _{DC} [mW]	91	78	72	87	80
Ref. [MHz]	36.0	100.0	251.3	203.2	234.0
PN@1MHz[dBc/Hz]	-94.2	-75	-84	-85	-85
Output Phase	Quad.	Quad.	Diff.	Diff.	Diff.

- LO achieves **-94.2dBc/Hz@60.48GHz**
- This phase noise enables **16QAM modulation**, which is capable for **7Gbps/ch**.

5. Meas. result and Conclusion



Constellation	1585 points	3170 points	4755 points	6340 points
Modulation	BPSK	QPSK	8PSK	16QAM
Data rate 2.16GHz-BW	1.76Gb/s	3.52Gb/s	5.28Gb/s	7.04Gb/s
EVM	-18dB (-24dB with DFE)	-18dB (-28dB with DFE)	-17dB	-17dB
Max distance (BER < 10 ⁻³)	2.7m	2.7m	0.2m	0.2m

This transceiver can transmit every full-rate of 16QAM, 8PSK, QPSK, and BPSK for IEEE standard.

The maximum data rates are 11Gb/s in 16QAM and 8Gb/s in QPSK mode.