

# **Research Activities**

# **LRF@UFSC**

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# Outline

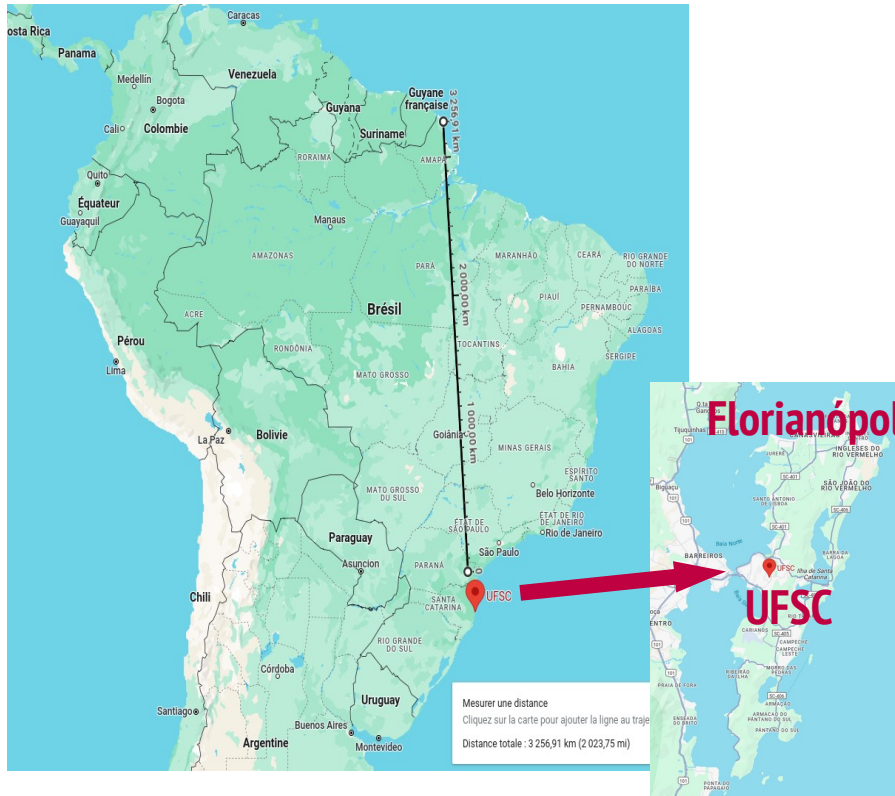
- Overview of UFSC
- Research Activities at LRF
- Discussion

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Latin America Rankings  
2023



# UFSC-Florianópolis



## Some numbers (2022)

- 21 000 undergraduate (87 courses)
- 5000 MSc students
- 3800 PhD students

# Technology Center

- 13 Engineering Courses + 2 Computer Science
- 10 Departments
- 390 professors (all levels)



# Electrical & Electronic Department (EEL)

- 2 undergraduate courses
  - Electrical Engineering (1966): 500 students
  - Electronic Engineering (2010): 300 students
    - Electronic Systems (digital and analog), Communications, Biomedical
- 1 Graduate Program (7/7 at CAPES ranking)
  - Energy
  - Information

# Research

- Electromagnetism and Electromagnetic Devices
- Electrical Power Systems
- Power Electronics
- Communications and Signal Processing
- Electronic Systems
- Biomedical engineering

# Research at LRF

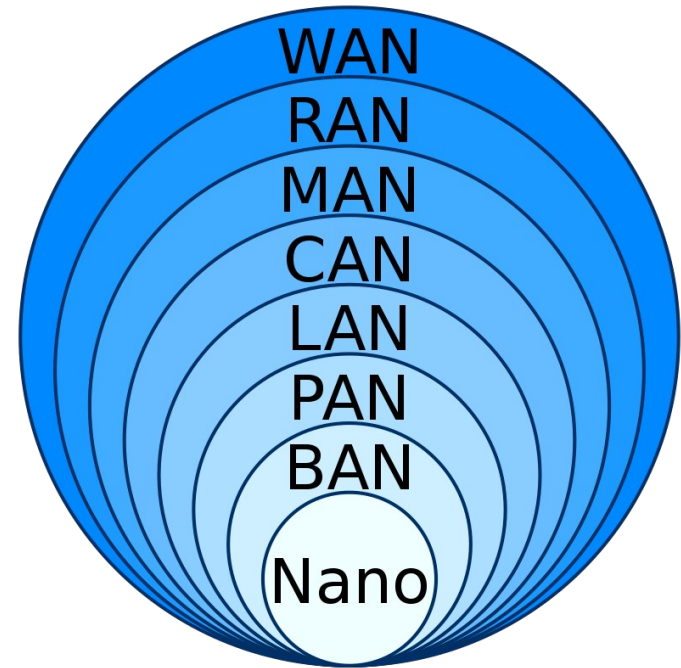
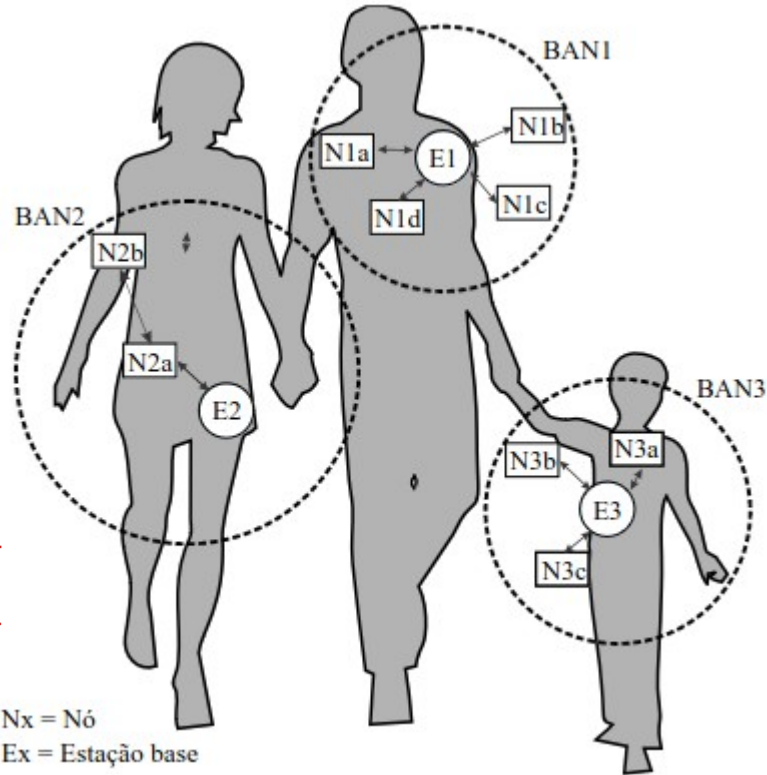
- Development of sensors, circuits and systems for applications requiring measurement.
- Emphasis on wireless or contactless solutions
- Design CMOS integrated circuits for miniaturization and low power consumption

# Overview of the LRF Research Activities



# Wireless Body Area Network

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# WBAN Characteristics

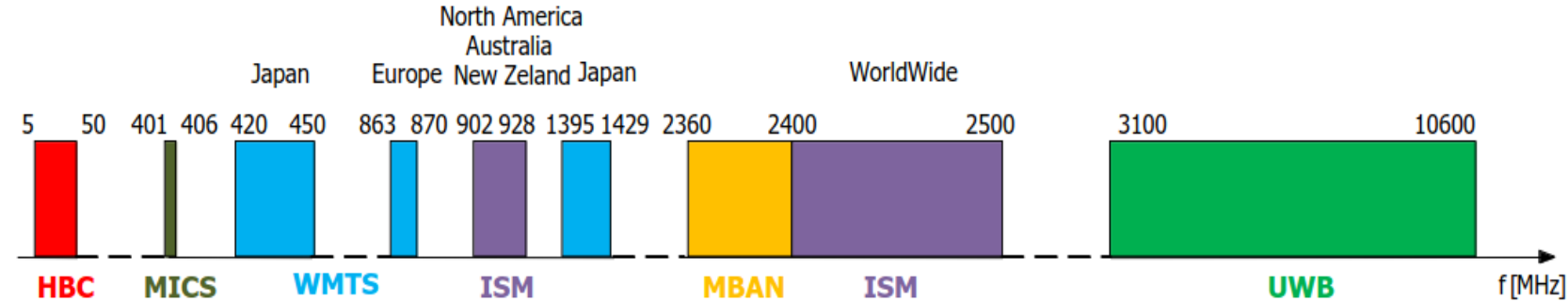
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## Wireless Body Area Networks: A Survey

Samaneh Movassaghi, *Student Member, IEEE*, Mehran Abolhasan, *Senior Member, IEEE*, Justin Liman, *Member, IEEE*, David Smith, *Member, IEEE*, and Abbas Jamalipour, *Fellow, IEEE*

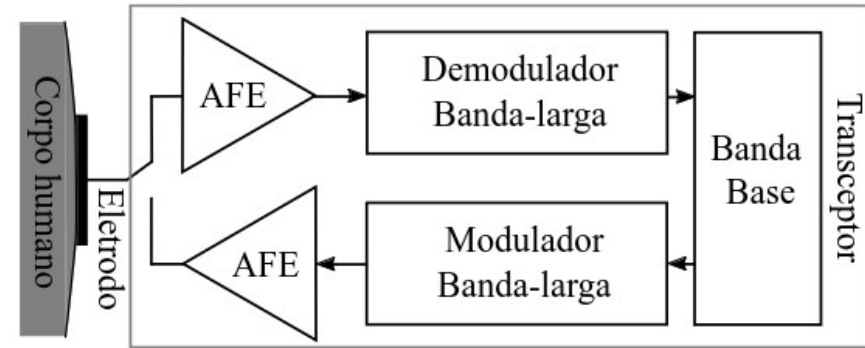
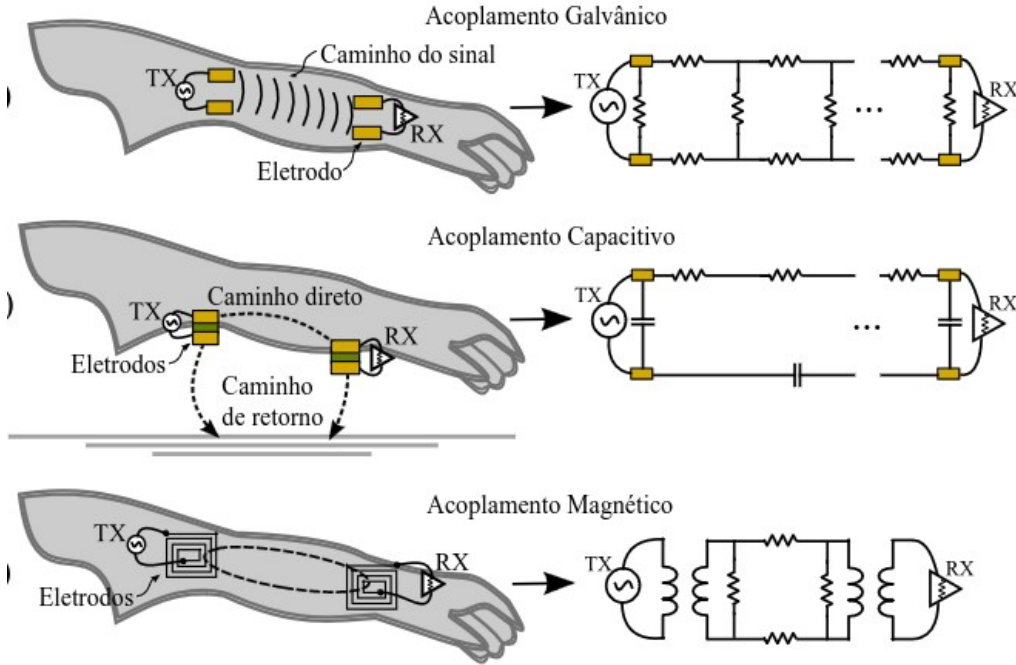
IEEE 802.15.6

Human-Body Communication	
Frequency	Bandwidth
16 MHz	4 MHz
27 MHz	4 MHz
Narrowband Communication	
Frequency	Bandwidth
402-405 MHz	300 kHz
420-450 MHz	300 kHz
863-870 MHz	400 kHz
902-928 MHz	500 kHz
956-956 MHz	400kHz
2360-2400 MHz	1 MHz
2400-2438.5 MHz	1 MHz
UWB Communication	
Frequency	Bandwidth
3.2-4.7 GHz	499 MHz
6.2- 10.3 GHz	499 MHz



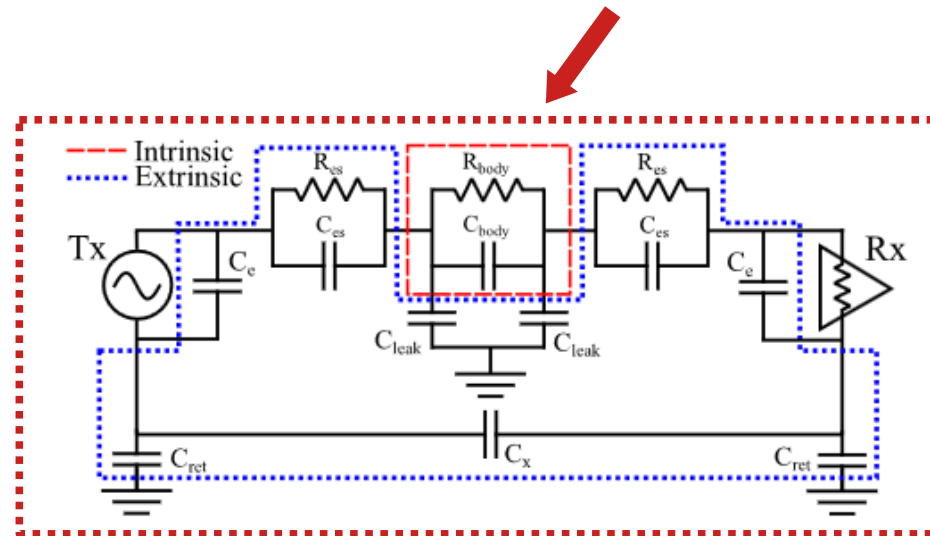
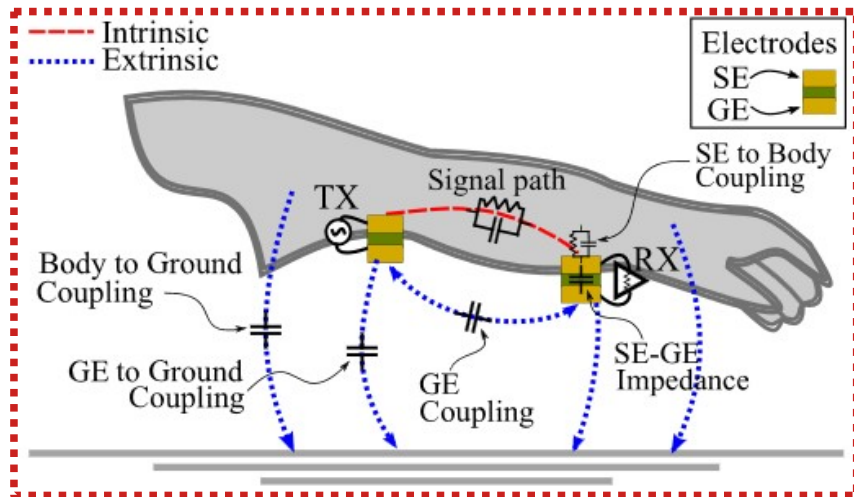
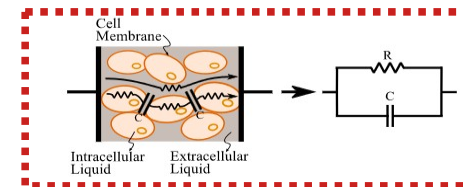
Application Type	Sensor Node	Data Rate	Duty Cycle (per device) % per time	Power Consumption	QoS (Sensitive to Latency)	Privacy
In-Body Application	Glucose sensor	Few Kbps	< 1%	Extremely low	Yes	High
	Pacemaker	Few Kbps	< 1%	low	Yes	High
	Endoscope Capsule	> 2 Mbps	< 50%	low	Yes	Medium
On-Body Medical Application	ECG	3 Kbps	< 10%	Low	Yes	High
	SpO2	32 Kbps	< 1%	low	Yes	High
	Blood Pressure	< 10 bps	< 1%	High	Yes	Medium
On-Body Non-Medical Application	Music for Headsets	1.4 Mbps	High	Relatively High	Yes	Low
	Forgotten Things Monitor	256 Kbps	Medium	Low	No	Low
	Social Networking	< 200 Kbps	< 1%	Low	No	High

# Human Body Communications

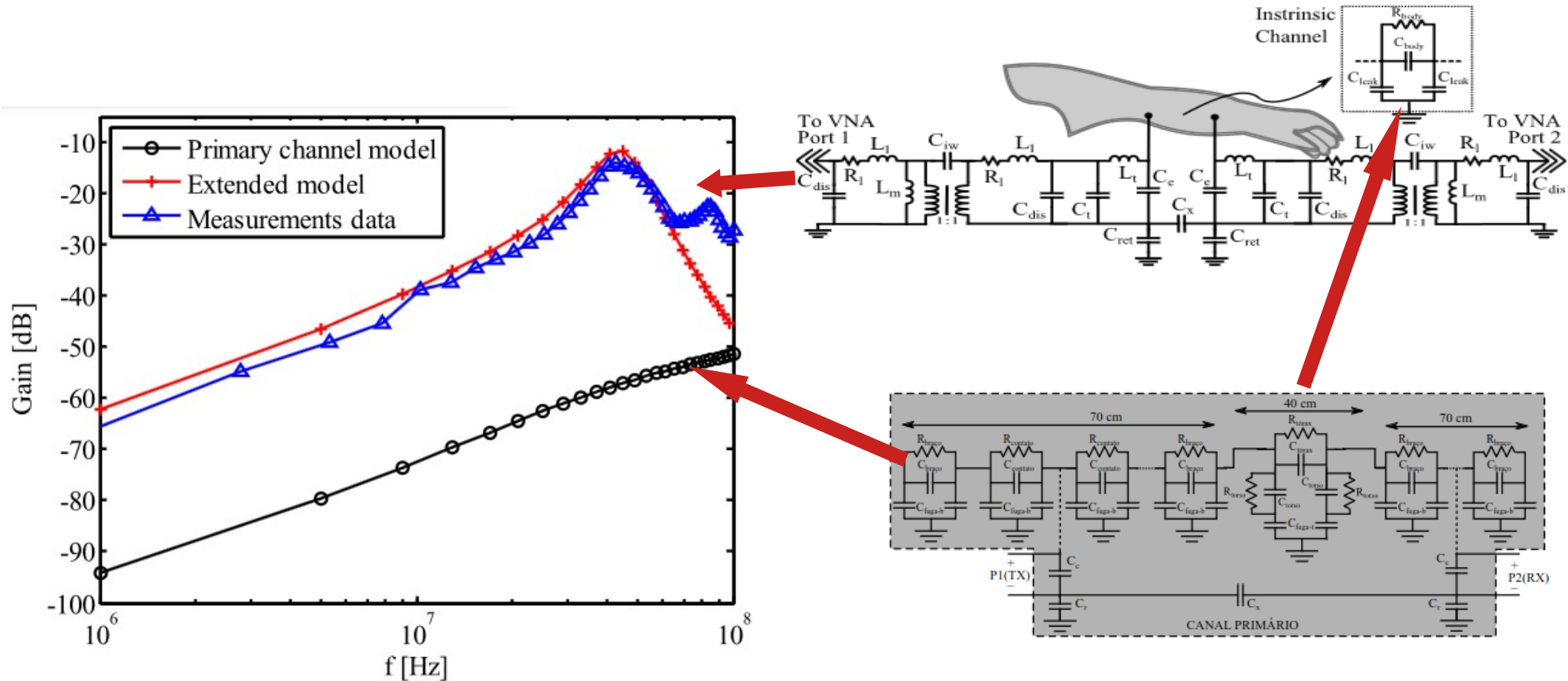


# Characterization and Modeling of the Capacitive HBC Channel

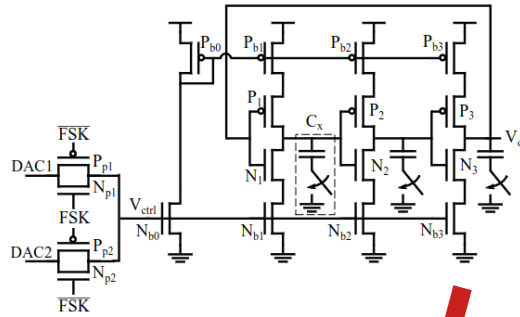
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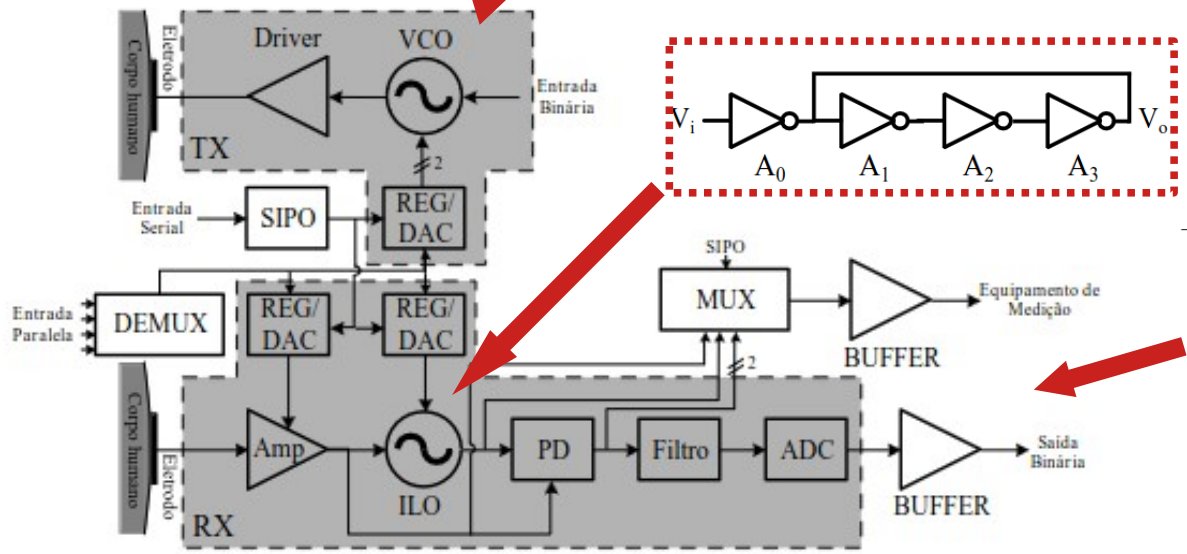
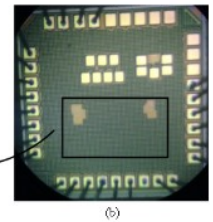
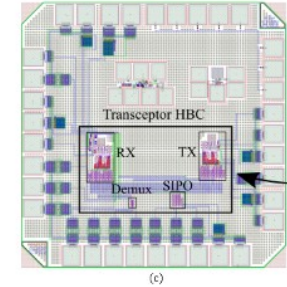
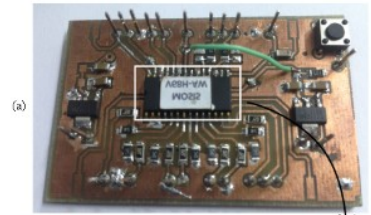
# HBC Channel



# HBC Transceiver



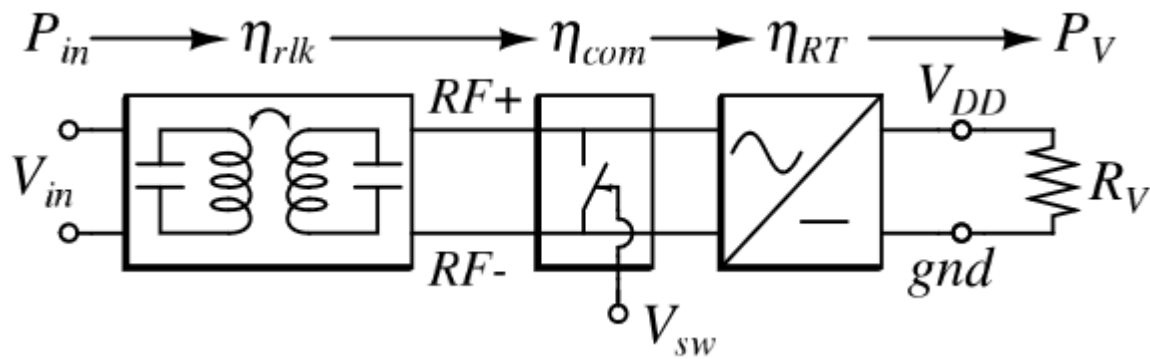
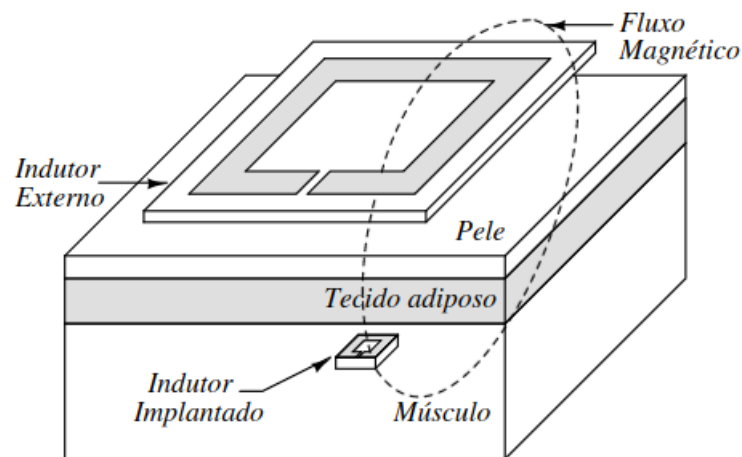
Modulação	BFSK
Frequência de operação	10-100 MHz
Taxa de dados	2 Mbps
Amplitude de saída - $V_o$	1,2 V
Potência consumida - $P_{tx}$	3,4-8,7 mW
Arquitetura	Modulação direta
En/bit	1,7-4,35 nJ/bit
Tensão de alimentação	1,2 V
Banda total	90 MHz
Tecnologia	CMOS 130 nm
Componentes externos	não
Impedância de saída	116 $\Omega$



Modulação	BFSK
Frequência	10-100 MHz
Sensibilidade	698 $\mu V @ B5$
Taxa de dados	2 Mbps
Amplitude de saída $V_o$ (BB)	1,2 V
Potência consumida $P_{rx}$	0,417-0,620 mW
Arquitetura	Demod. ILO+PD
En/bit	208,6-310,3 pJ/bit
Tensão de alimentação	1,2 V
Banda total	90 MHz
Tecnologia	CMOS 130 nm
Componentes externos	não
Impedância de entrada	1,4 k $\Omega$

# Achieving Optimal Efficiency in Energy Transfer to a CMOS Fully Integrated Wireless Power Receiver

Fabian L. Cabrera and Fernando Rangel de Sousa, *Senior Member, IEEE*

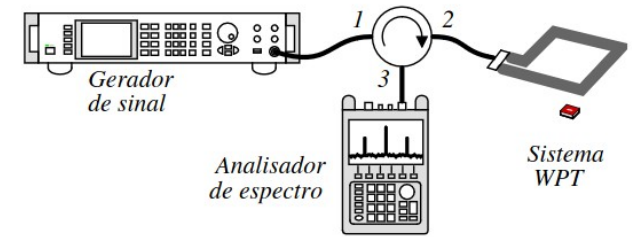
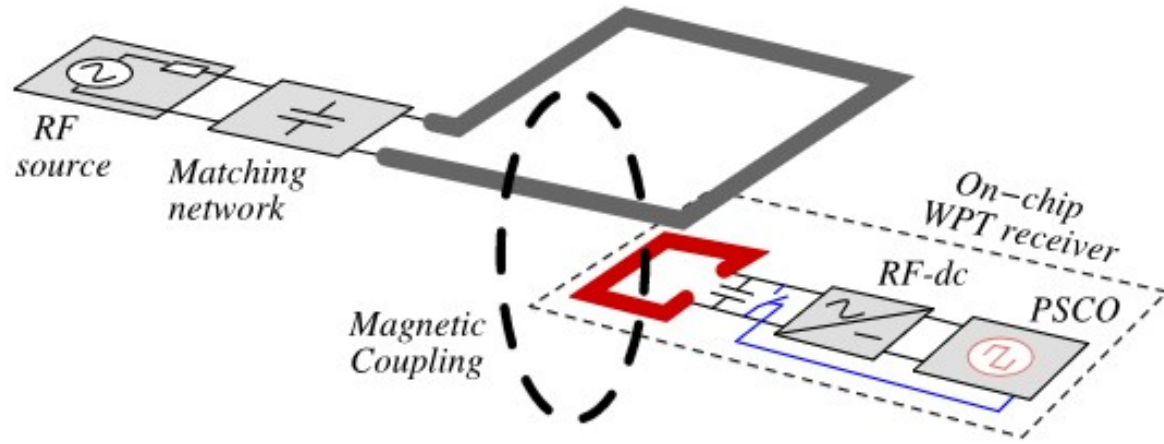


The transition from idea to reality depends on addressing problems which remain unsolved. As stated in the visionary paper by Mark Weiser [3], “the most profound technologies are those that disappear”, however, the physical size as well as the cables used to deliver energy to current IoT-enabled devices are not compatible with the ongoing paradigm shift.

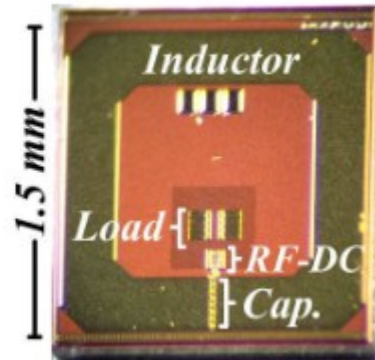
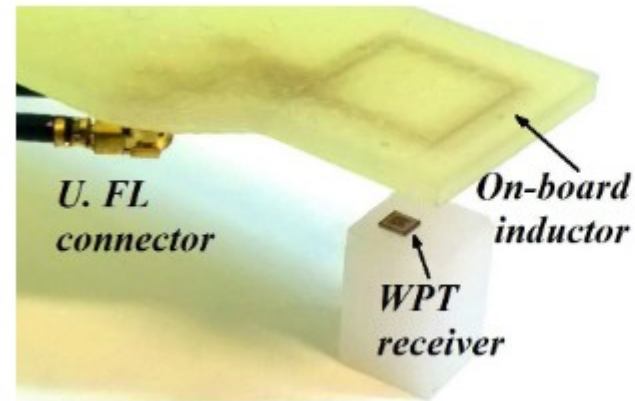
Part	Receiver				Transmitter	
Objectives	$\eta_{com}$	$Q_{2r}$	$\eta_{RT}$	$p$	$k$	$Q_{1r}$
Design variables	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fixed value: 0.5</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Integrated inductor</li> <li>Frequency (f)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rectifier</li> <li>Load (<math>R_V</math>)</li> <li>Power (<math>P_V</math>)</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Primary inductor</li> </ul>	

$$\eta_T = \frac{\eta_{com}\eta_{RT}}{\frac{1}{k^2 Q_{1r} Q_{2r}} \left( p + 2 + \frac{1}{p} \right) + p + 1}$$

# WPT CMOS (Receiver)



$$FoM = \frac{\eta_{rlk} \times d^3}{A_{Rx}^{3/2}}$$



	Area (mm <sup>2</sup> )	Receiver technology	Q <sub>2</sub> (max.)	f (MHz)	η <sub>rlk</sub> (%)	d (mm)	FoM
This work	2.3	CMOS 180 nm	21	986	7.26*	5	269
					0.93*	10	276
					0.29*	15	290
[15]	4.8	CMOS 130 nm	11	187	1.42**	10	159
[17]	20.3	High resistivity substrate and post-processing	20	7	4.3**	12	82
[13]	0.4	CMOS 180 nm	-	900	0.16	2	6
[11]	0.5	CMOS 130 nm post-processing	3	2450	0.02	0.5	0.01



# A 25-dBm 1-GHz Power Amplifier Integrated in CMOS 180nm for Wireless Power Transferring

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Ref.	$f_o$ [MHz]	$P_{Rs(1)}$ [dBm]	$\eta$ [%]	Area [mm <sup>2</sup> ]	Tech. [nm]	Class	Inductors
[7]	800	30.4	40.7	5	180	E	On-chip transformer
[3]	900	29.5	41	4	250	E	Bondwires
[2]	900	24.4	55	1.2	45	D	External
This work	990	25.1	58	1.5	180	D	No
[8]	820	29	70.7	0.5	180	E	External

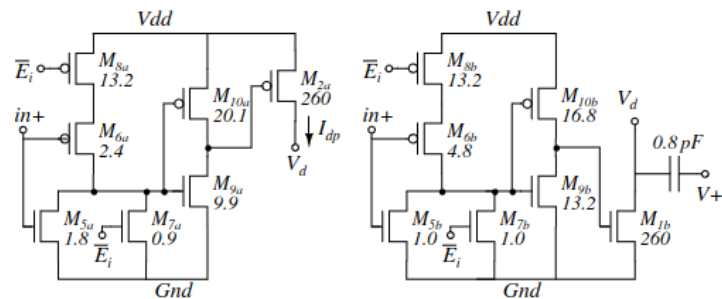
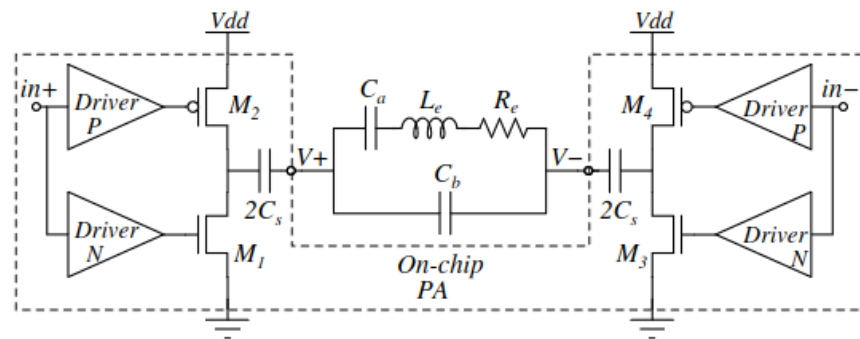


Figure 7: PA unit cell: (a) PMOS part. (b) NMOS part.

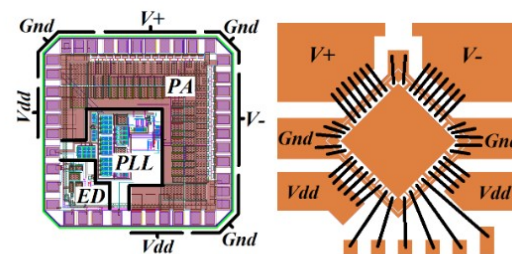
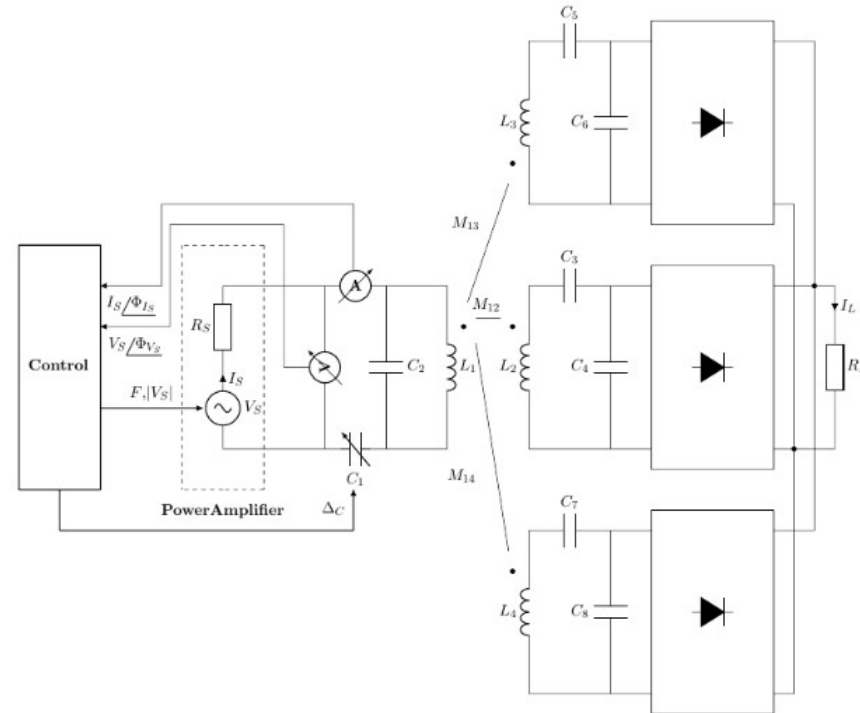
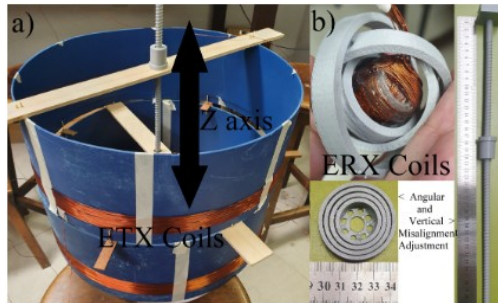
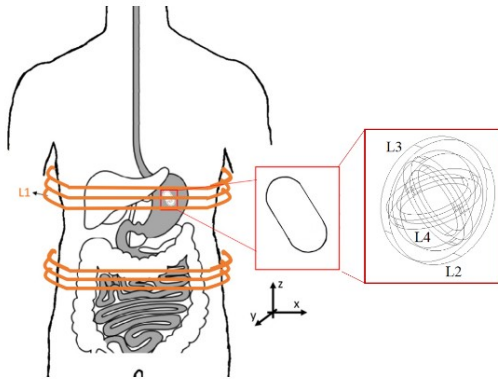


Figure 8: (a) Layout 1.5 mm × 1.5 mm. (b) PCB bonding diagram.



# WPT for endoscopic Capsule



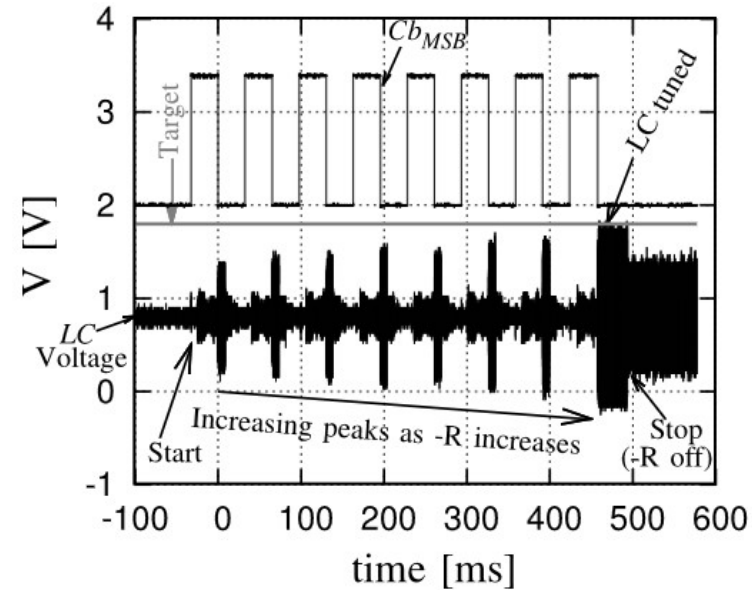
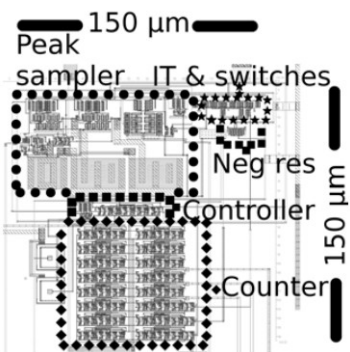
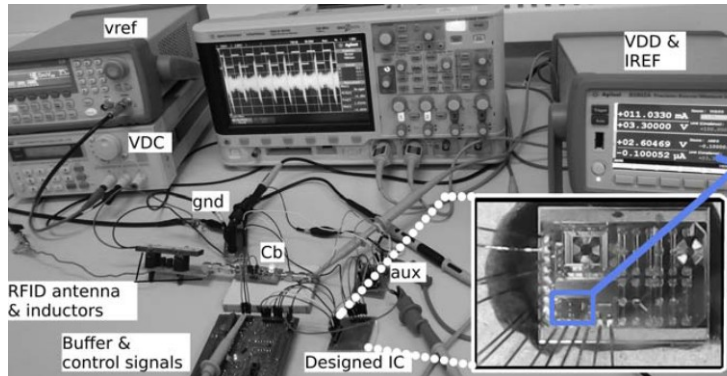
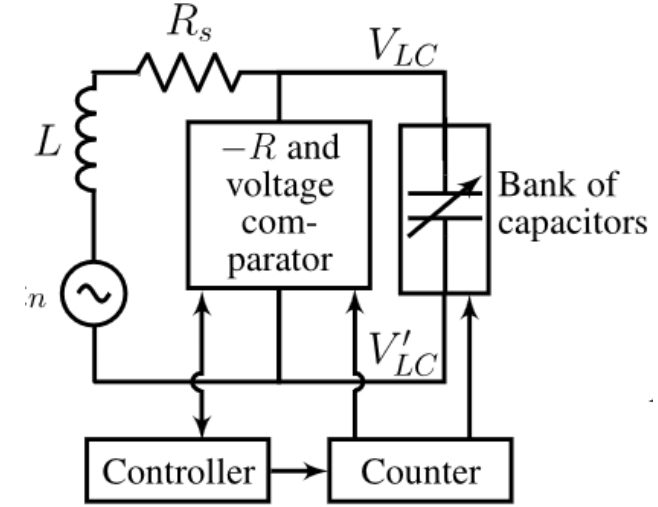
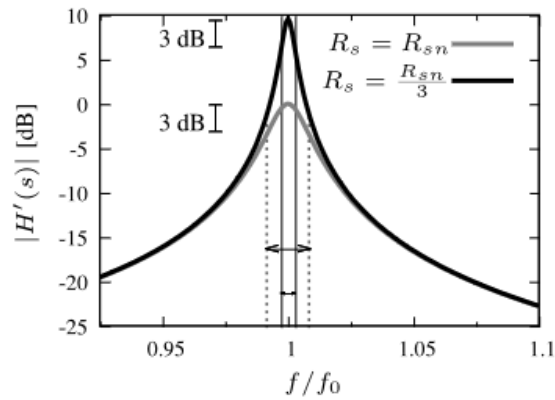
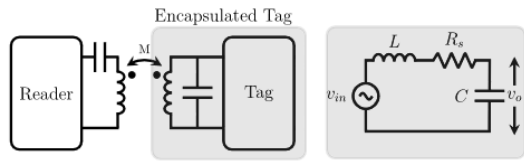
Article

## Tracking and Dynamic Tuning of a Wireless Powered Endoscopic Capsule †

Lucas Murliky <sup>1,\*</sup>, Gustavo Oliveira <sup>1</sup>, Fernando Rangel de Sousa <sup>2</sup> and Valner João Brusamarello <sup>1,\*</sup>

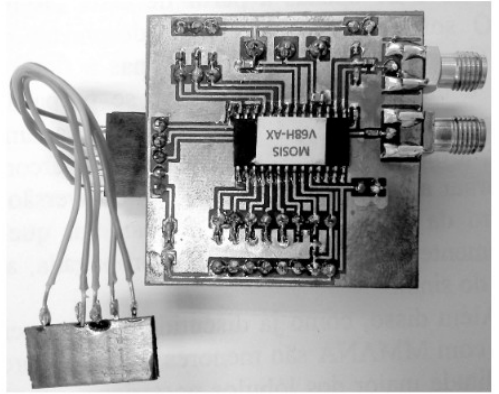
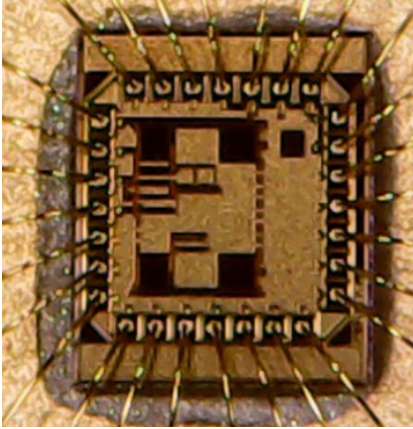
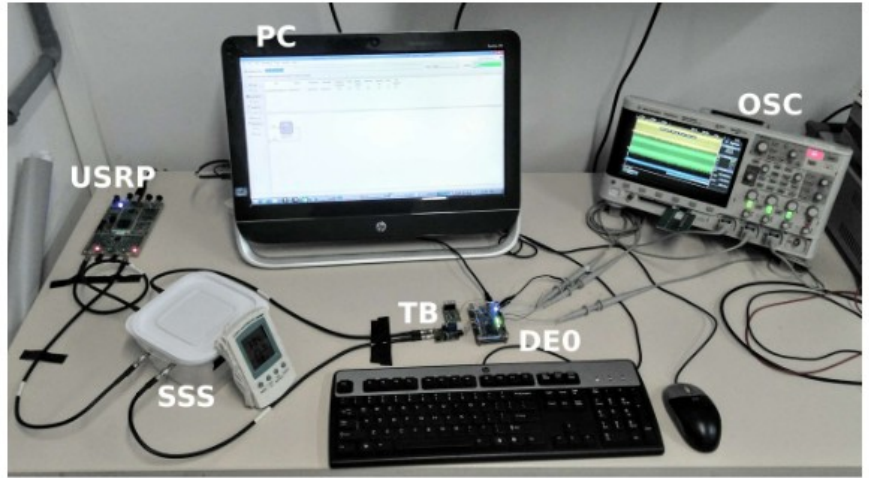
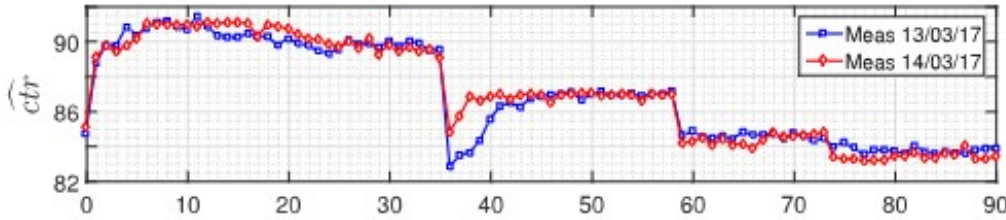
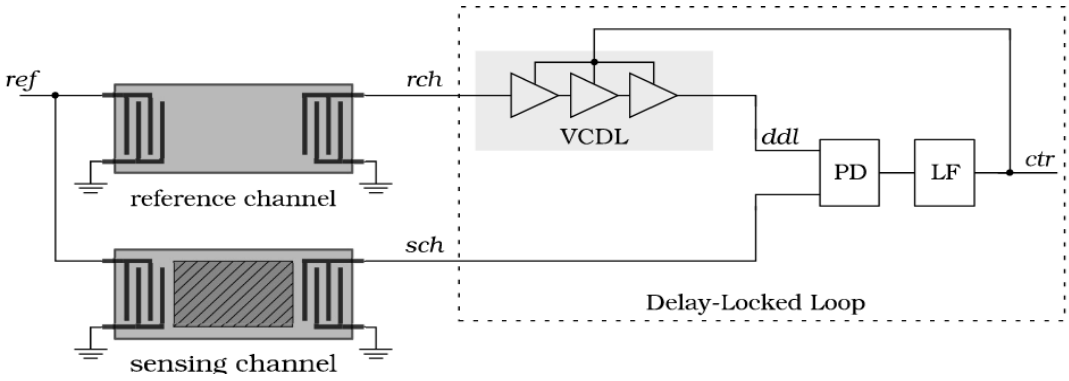
# On-Chip Automatic LC Tuner for RFID Tags Based on Negative Resistances

Paulo M. M. Silva<sup>1</sup>, Fernando Rangel de Sousa<sup>1</sup>, *Senior Member, IEEE*, and Calvin Plett, *Senior Member, IEEE*



# ANALYSIS AND DESIGN OF A CMOS DLL-BASED CONDITIONER FOR A SAW-DL RELATIVE HUMIDITY SENSOR

Rodrigo Eduardo Rottava



# Miniaturized Chipless Sensor With Magnetically Coupled Transducer for Improved RCS

Roddy A. Romero Antayhua, *Student Member, IEEE*, Carlos Renato Rambo, *Member, IEEE*, and Fernando Rangel de Sousa, *Senior Member, IEEE*

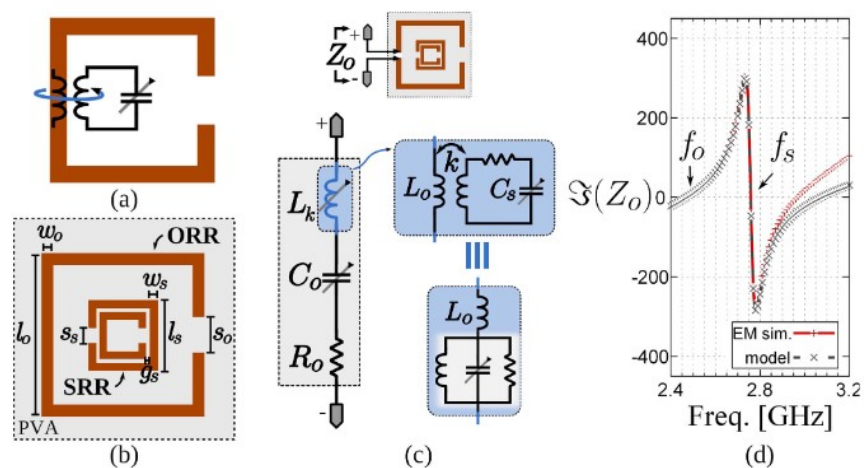
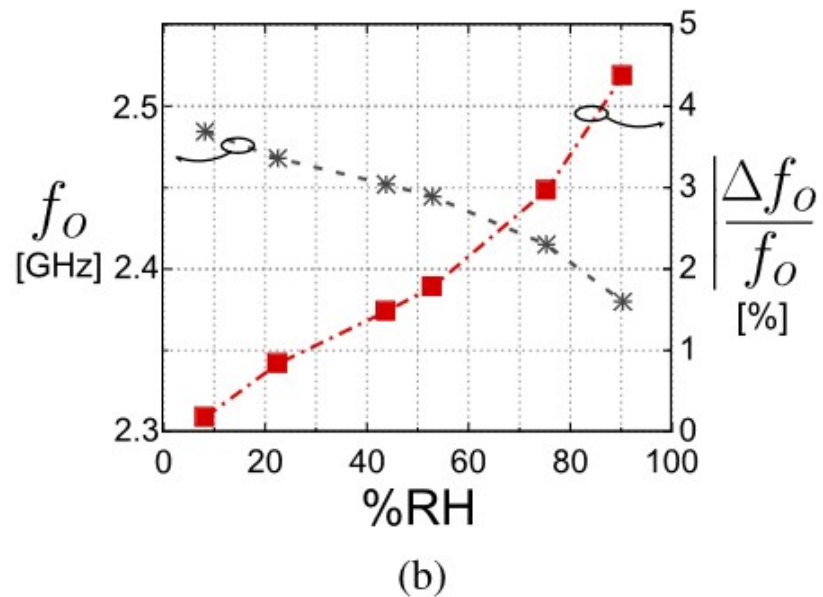
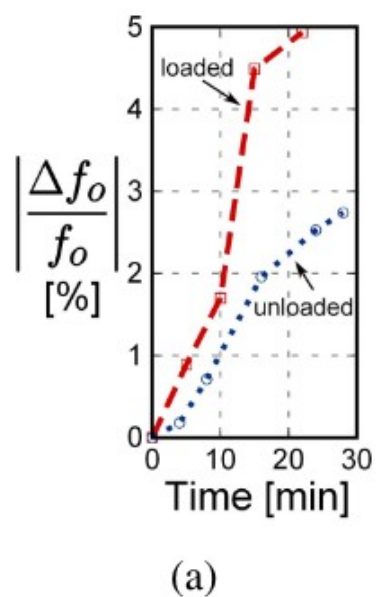
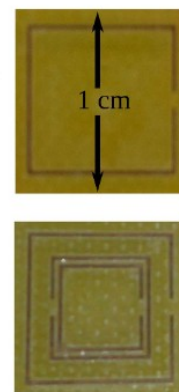
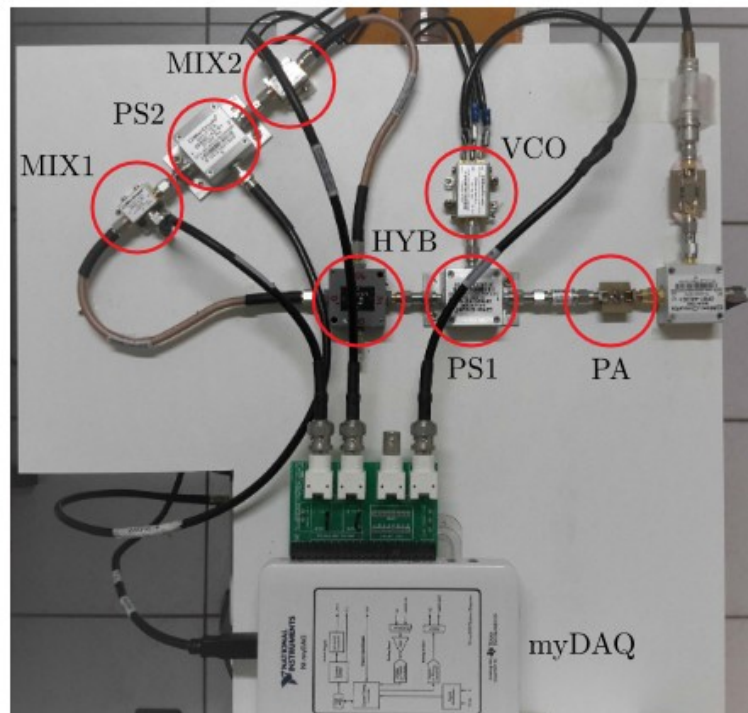
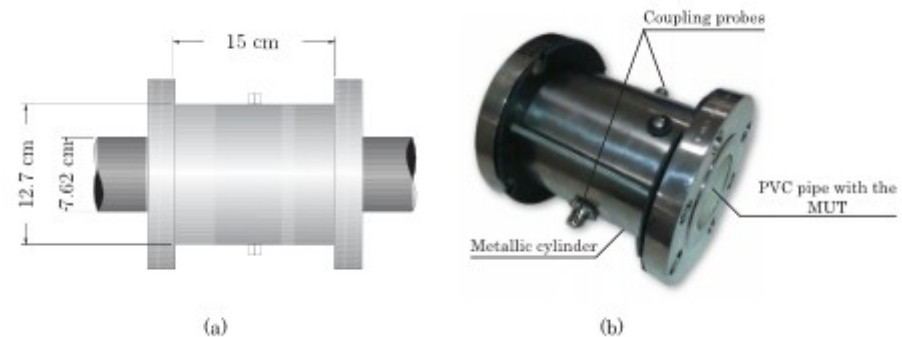
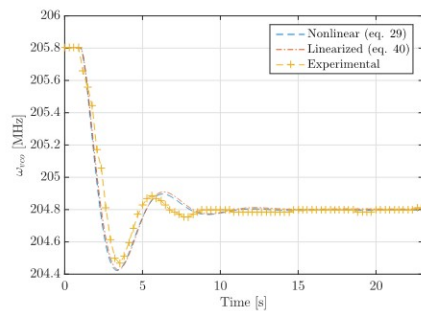
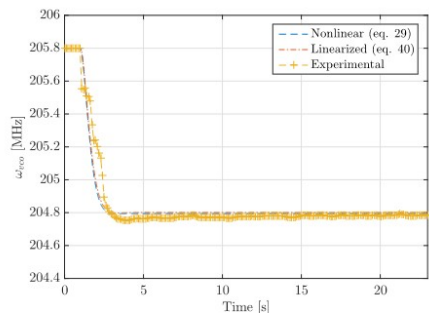
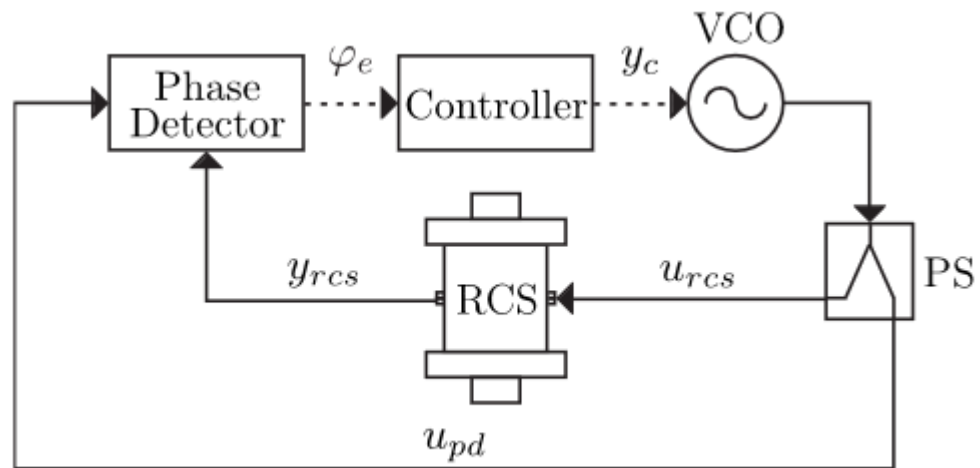


Fig. 2. ORR with magnetically coupled transducer (a) concept and (b) layout. (c) Electrical model for the equivalent impedance and (d) its validation with EM simulation.

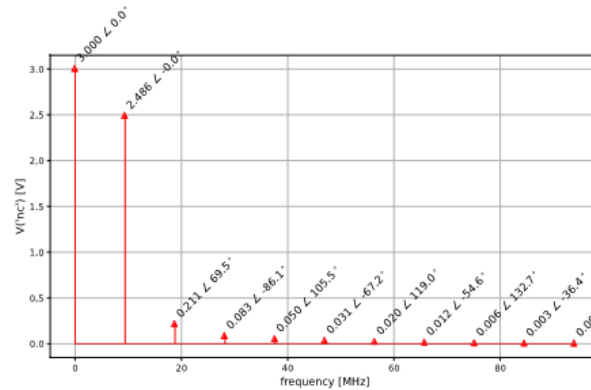
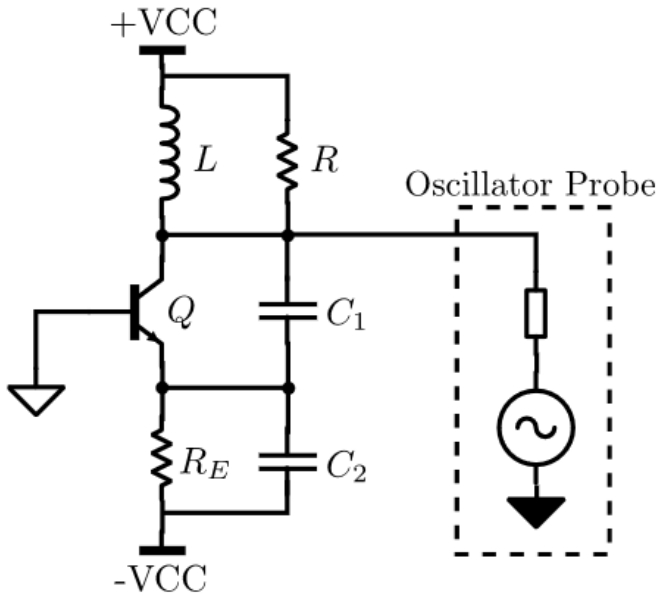


# Modeling and Analysis of a PLL-Based Resonant Frequency Tracking System Using a Resonant Cavity Sensor

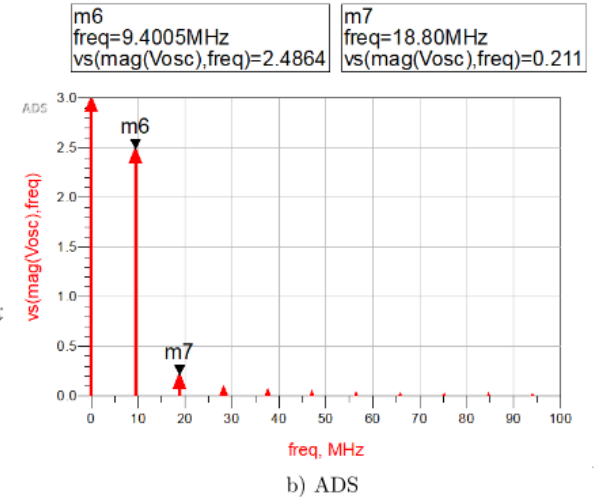
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 Fernando Rangel de Sousa<sup>2</sup>, *Senior Member, IEEE*,  
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# PyHBSIM - the Steady-State Simulation of Autonomous Circuits using the Harmonic Balance Method



a) YaRF



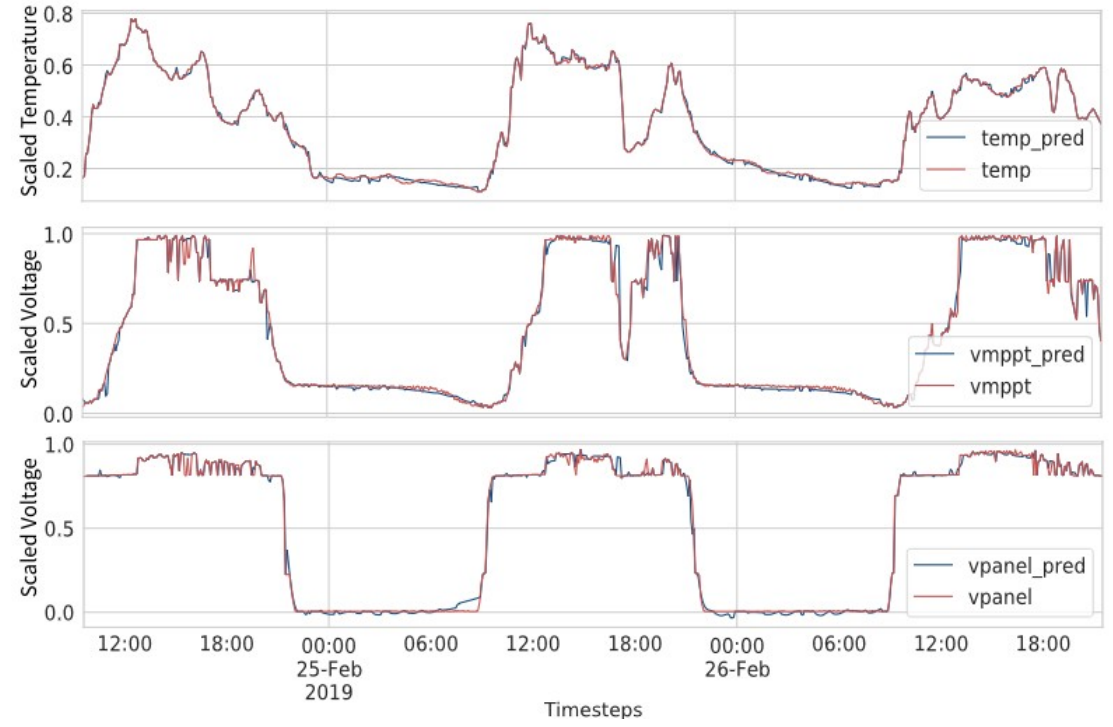
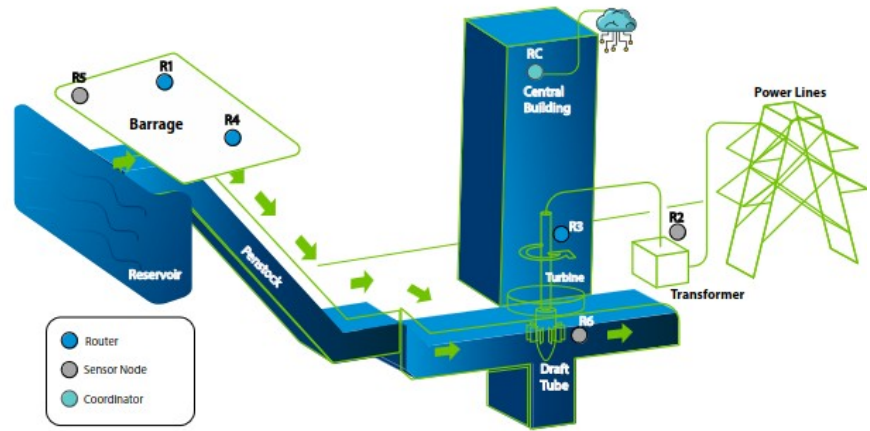
b) ADS



# Article

## Evaluation of Deep Learning Methods in a Dual Prediction Scheme to Reduce Transmission Data in a WSN

Carlos R. Morales <sup>1</sup>, Fernando Rangel de Sousa <sup>1,\*</sup>, Valner Brusamarello <sup>2</sup> and Nestor C. Fernandes <sup>3</sup>



# Five-Port Receiver (1.8-5.5 GHz)

Thèse

présentée pour obtenir le grade de Docteur de l'Ecole Nationale Supérieure des Télécommunications de Paris

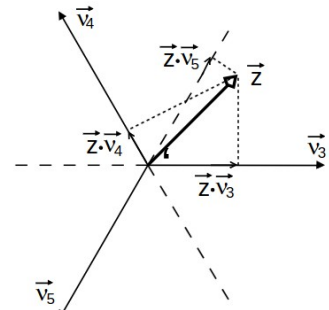
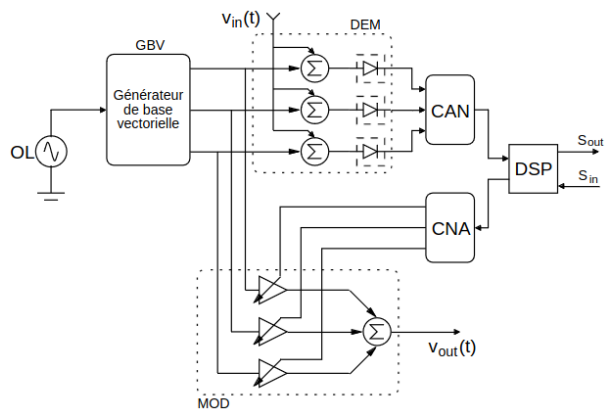
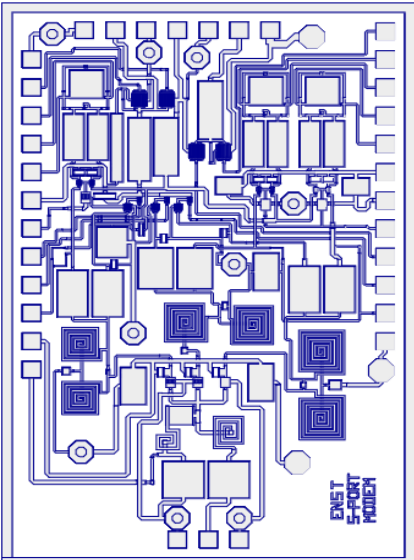
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**Fernando Rangel de Sousa**

Application du corrélateur « Five-Port » aux PLL, à la récupération de porteuse et à un MODEM de télécommunications dans la bande 1,8 - 5,5 GHz

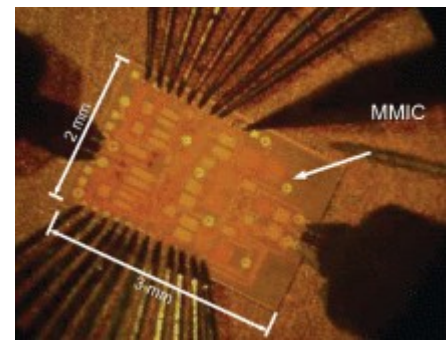
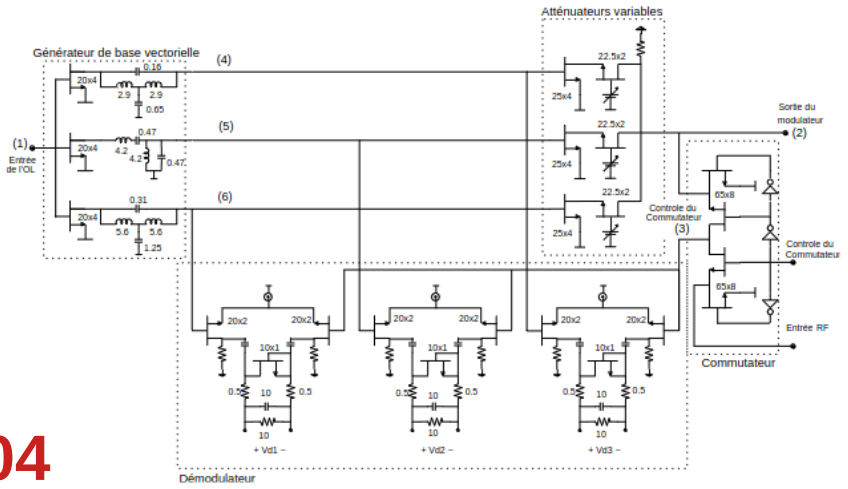
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Serge TOUTAIN	Université de Nantes	Rapporteur
Robert WEIGEL	Université de Erlangen (Allemagne)	Examinateur
Raimundo C. S. FREIRE	UFCG (Brésil)	Examinateur
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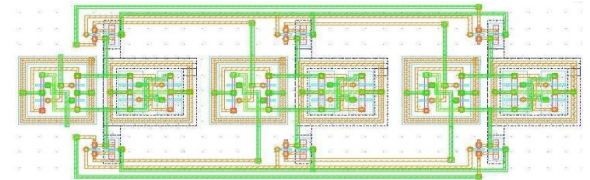
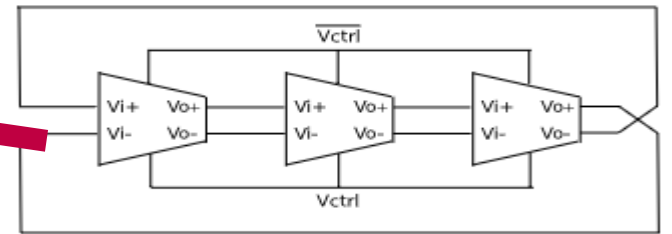
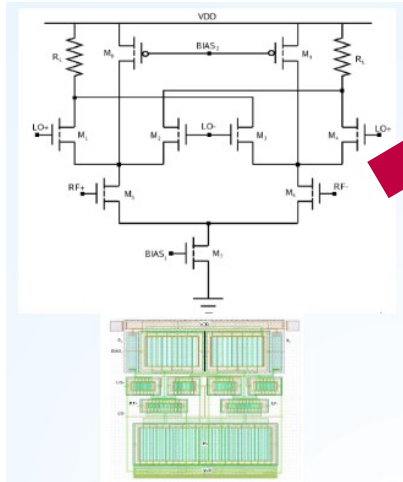
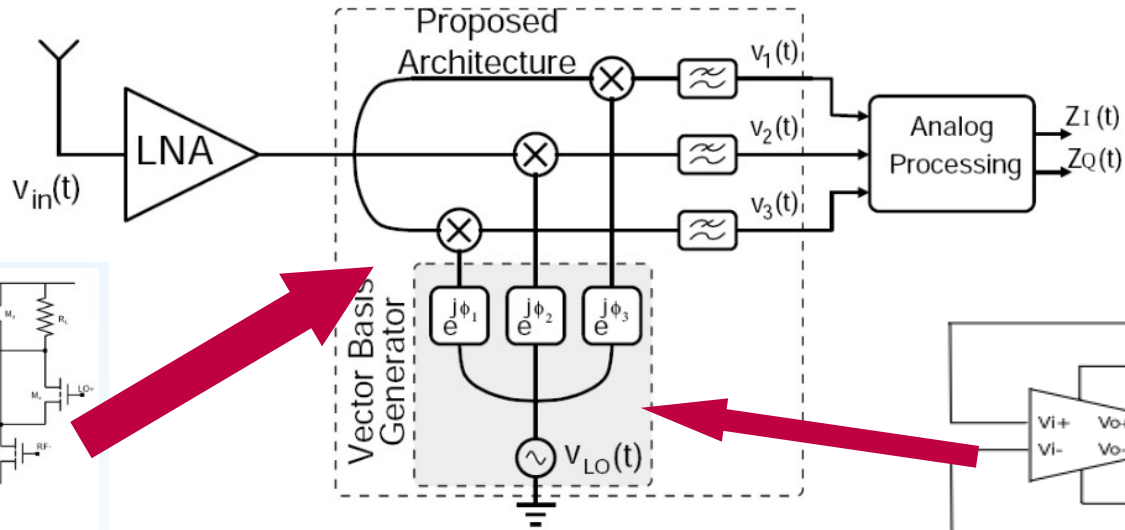
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2004

# 3-mixers RF Receiver



2008

# Teaching Activities

- IoT: Circuits, Systems and Applications
- RF Circuits

# Collaboration possibilities

- **BRAFITEC Network (12 undergraduate students/year, 2023-2026)**

- Polytech Montpellier (Projeto RAISON)
- Polytech Marseille(Projeto RAISON)
- École Nationale Supérieure de Chimie de Montpellier – ENSCM (Projeto RAISON)
- Institut National Polytechnique de Toulouse – (Projeto SITESA)
- Bordeaux INP – (Projeto SITESA)
- Grenoble INP – PHELMA (Projetos RAISON e SITESA)
- Grenoble INP- ENSE3 (Projeto SITESA)
- Grenoble INP – ESISAR (Projetos SITESA e FUTURE)
- Polytech Grenoble (Projetos SITESA e FUTURE)
- ISIMA – Institut Supérieur d’informatique, de Modélisation et de leurs Applications (Projeto FUTURE)
- Polytech Clermont (Projeto FUTURE)

# Collaboration possibilities

- **CAPES-COFECUB (graduate level network)**
  - Calls every year
  - Hard competition with Humanities people

# Collaboration needs

- Internationalization
- Mobility
- Infrastructure share
- Opportunities for state-of-the art problems
- Technology access

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Thank you

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