

# GSOC's GNSS-R INSTRUMENT FOR THE ZOIS EXPERIMENT

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# Introduction

- GNSS-R Rx being developed at GSOC's "GNSS Technology and Navigation" group.
  - Spaceborne GNSS Rx Technology (e.g. Phoenix Rx).
  - Spacecraft Formation Flying (e.g. PRISMA).
  - GNSS Based Precision Navigation (e.g. CONGO).
- GFZ extended invitation to participate in ZOIS.
- Oct-Dec 2009.
- Certification process.



# Roadmap

- Ground based Rx.
  - Namuru II.
  - Namuru II + Stratix III board.
- Airplane based Rx.
  - ZOIS 2010.
  - ZOIS 2011?.
  - GEOHALO(2011-2012).
- Spaceborne Rx.
  - ...

# GNSS-R Rx Instrument Overview

- Namuru II board.
  - Altera Cyclone II 50K LE grade 6.
  - 2 GP2015 Zarlink frontends.
- Altera Stratix III dev. board.
  - Altera Stratix III 150K LE grade 2.
- 3 RS232 datalogger.
- 2 MAXIM GNSS MAX2769 dev. board frontends.
- Rubidium Clock source.
- Custom interface board.
- Custom Clock conditioning board.
- Pasive 2x2 LHCP/RHCP L1/L2 antenna array.

## GNSS-R Rx Instrument Overview(2)

- Preferred architecture:
  - Each board has a GPS Rx.
  - Advantages:
    - System robustness.
    - GNSS-R Rx and GPS Rx close integration.
  - Disadvantage:
    - FPGA resources.
- Namuru II and Stratix III boards works independently.
- Future optimization:
  - Eventually only one GPS Rx would be used (tests needed).



## GNSS-R Rx Instrument Overview(3)

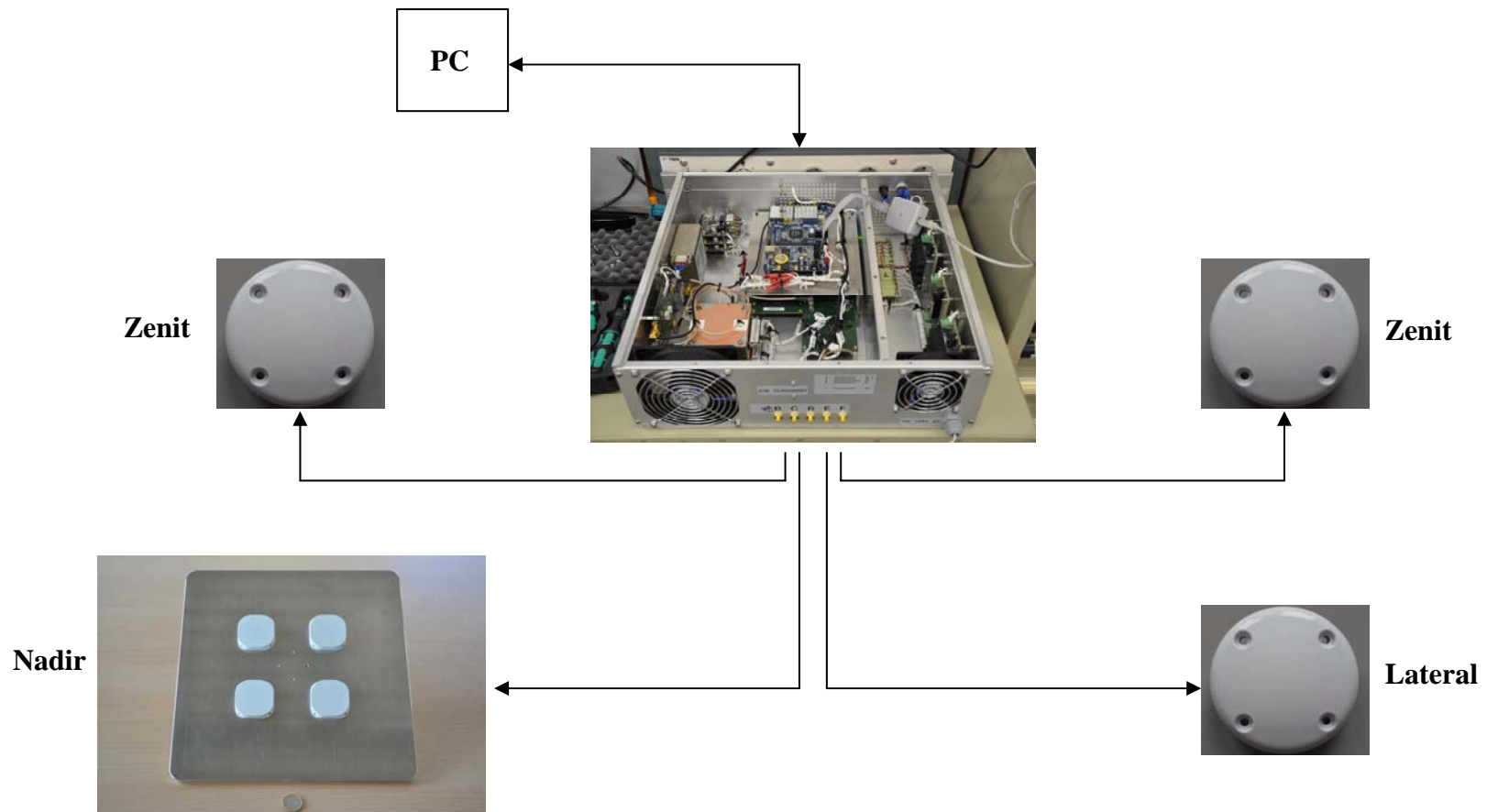


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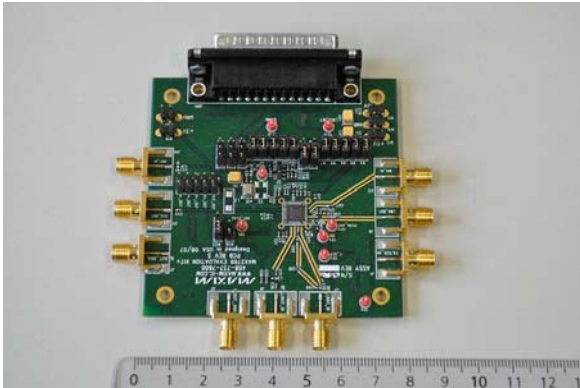


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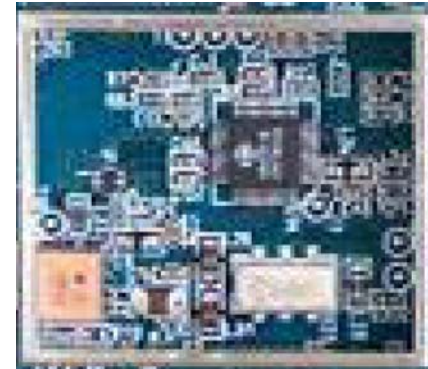




## GNSS-R Rx Instrument Overview(8)



- MAX2769.
- 1 to 3 bits.
- L1 carrier.
- 2.5MHz to 18MHz.
- 1 mixer.
- AGC ON/OFF.
- fs max. 50MHz.



- GP2015.
- 2 bits.
- L1 carrier.
- 2MHz.
- 3 mixers.
- AGC ON.
- fs 5.714MHz.

# Problems

- MAX2769 poor documentation.
- MAX2769 dev. board EMC.
  - Shielding.
  - Custom frontend board(upgrade).
- MAX2769 dev. board ESD.
  - Custom frontend board(upgrade).
- MAX2769 dev. board + interface circuit time constant.
  - Custom frontend board + custom interface board(upgrade).
- MAX2769 + Stratix III GPS Rx Frame Lock oscillation.
  - Asynchronous to synchronous interface mode.
  - GPS Rx DLL settings.

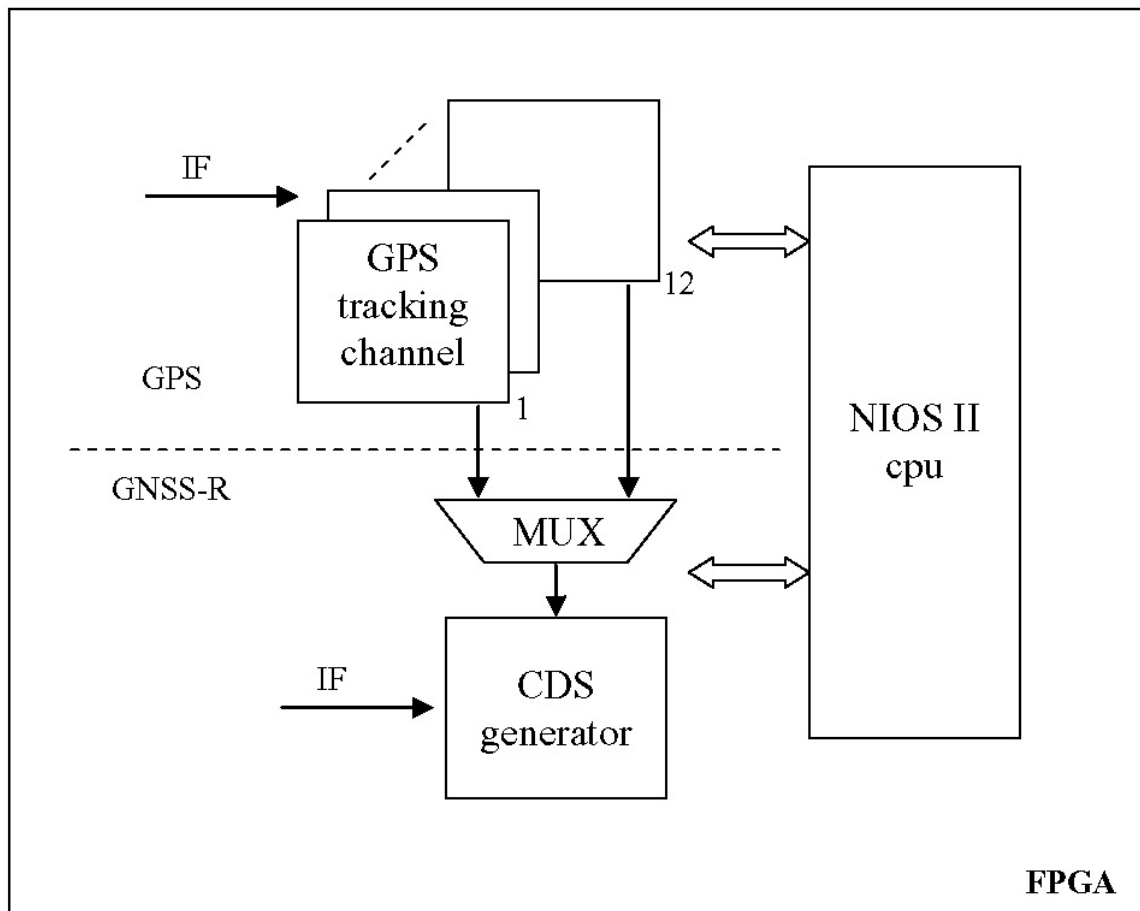




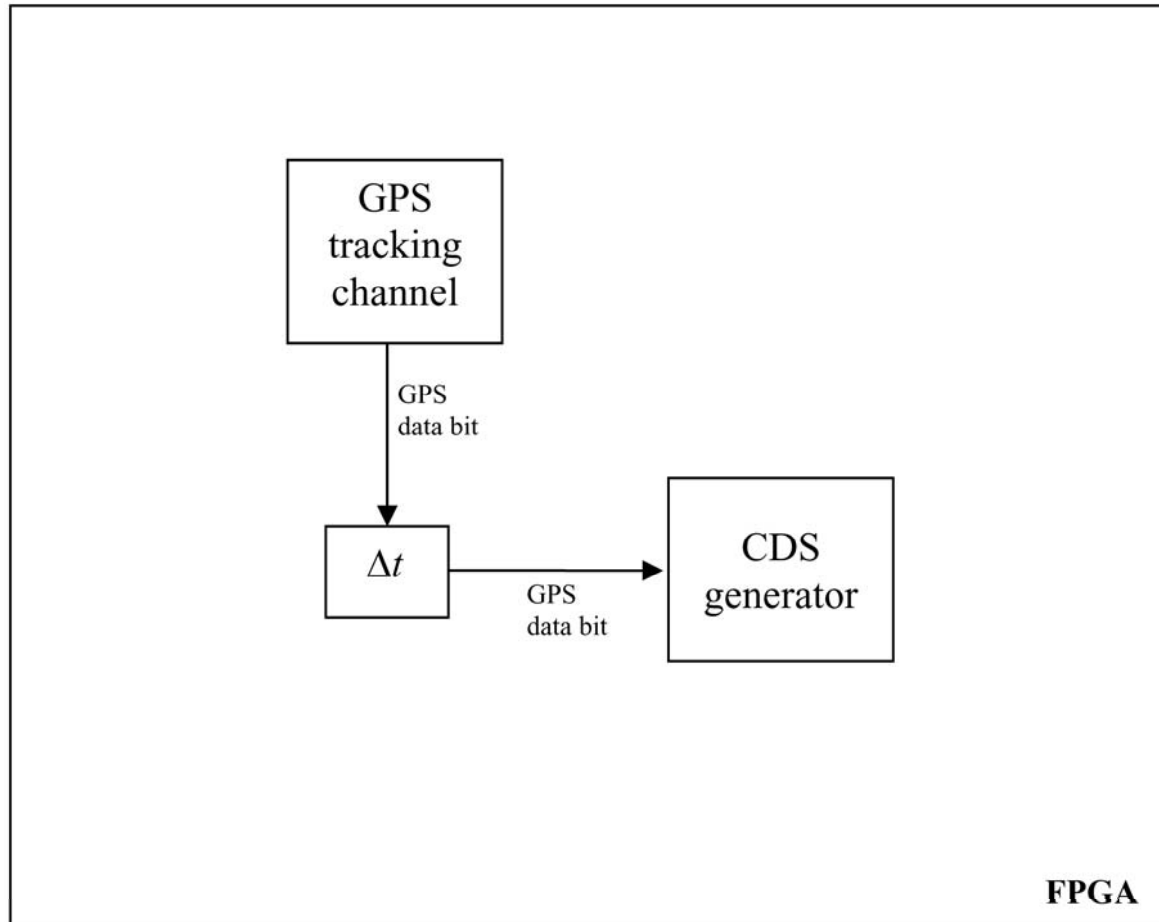
## Problems(2)

- RS232 datalogger data rate.
  - 115k baud instead of 460k baud.
- One RS232 datalogger burned.
- RS232 datalogger not too reliable.
  - Datalogger redundance.
  - 12 fold effective data reduction.
  - USB or Ethernet datalogger(upgrade).

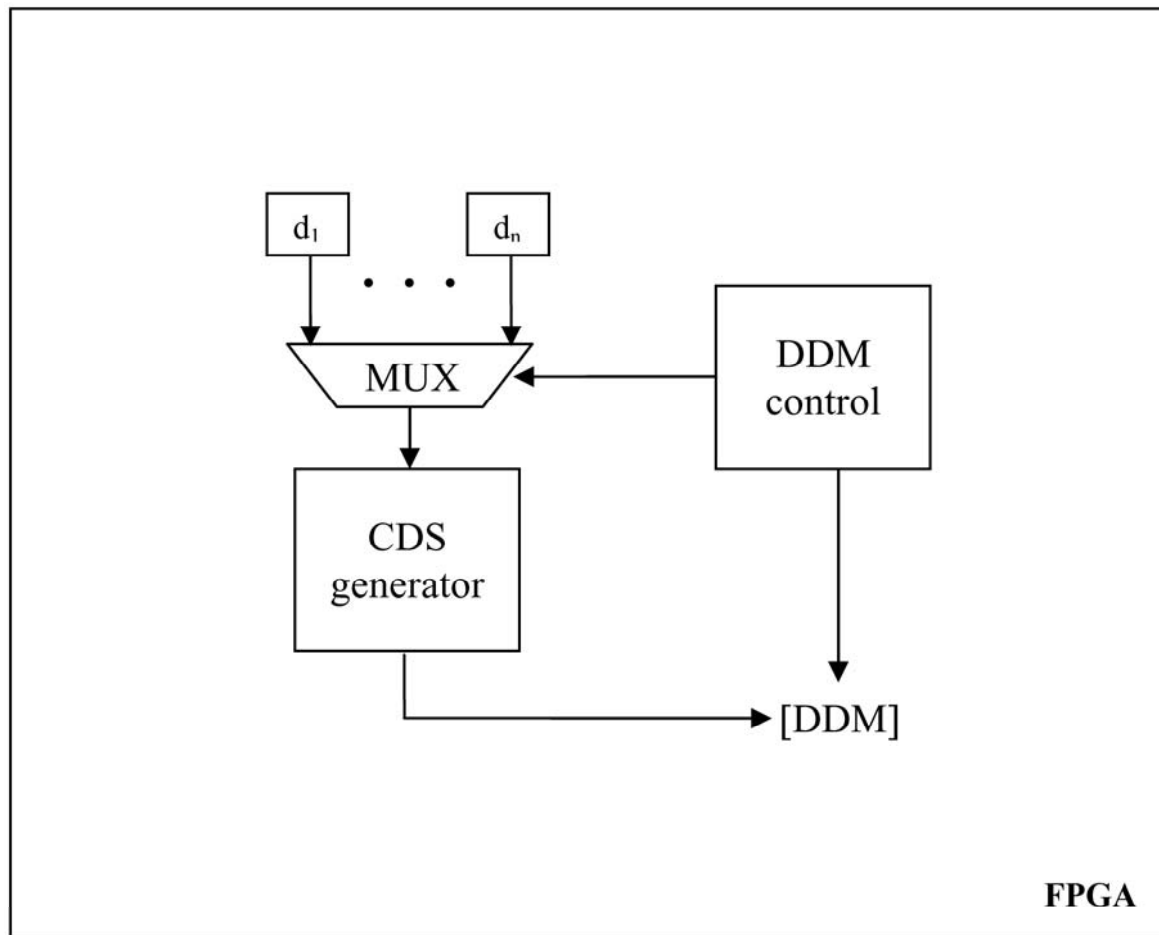
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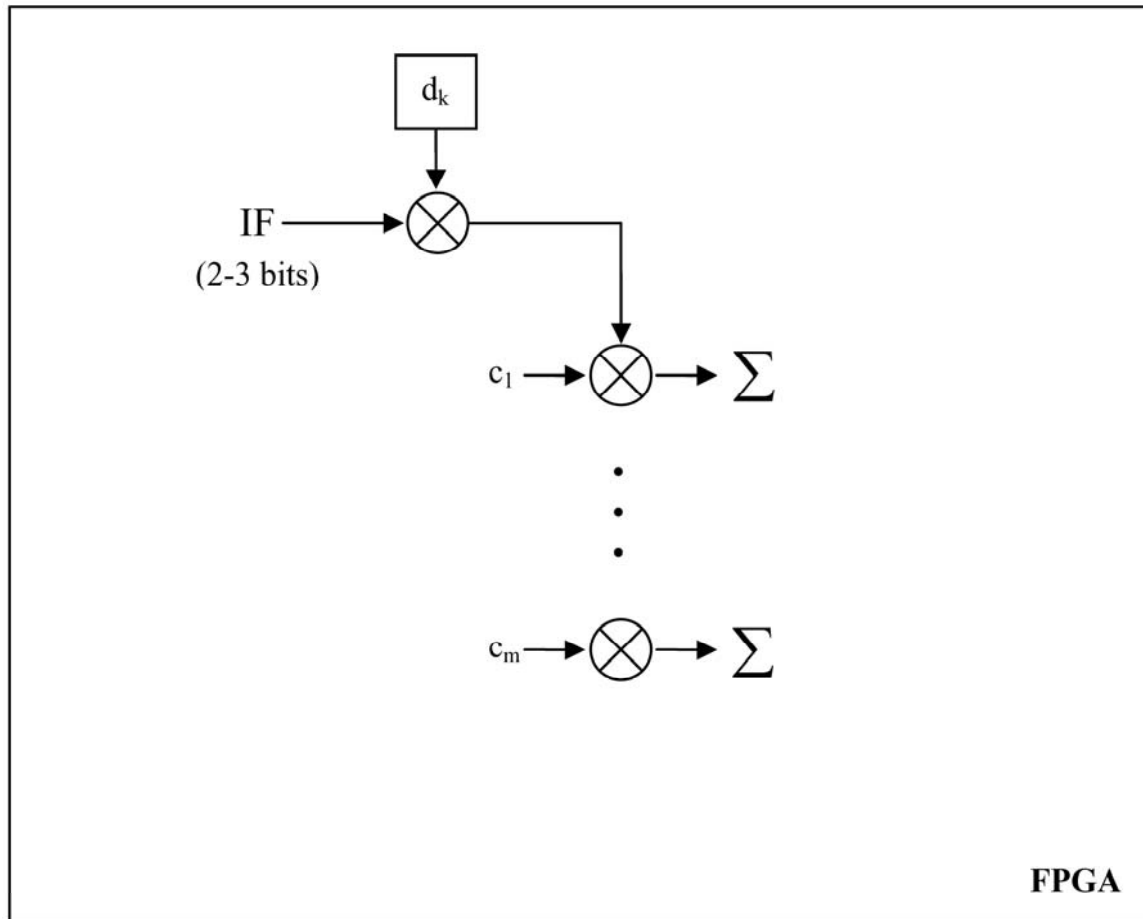
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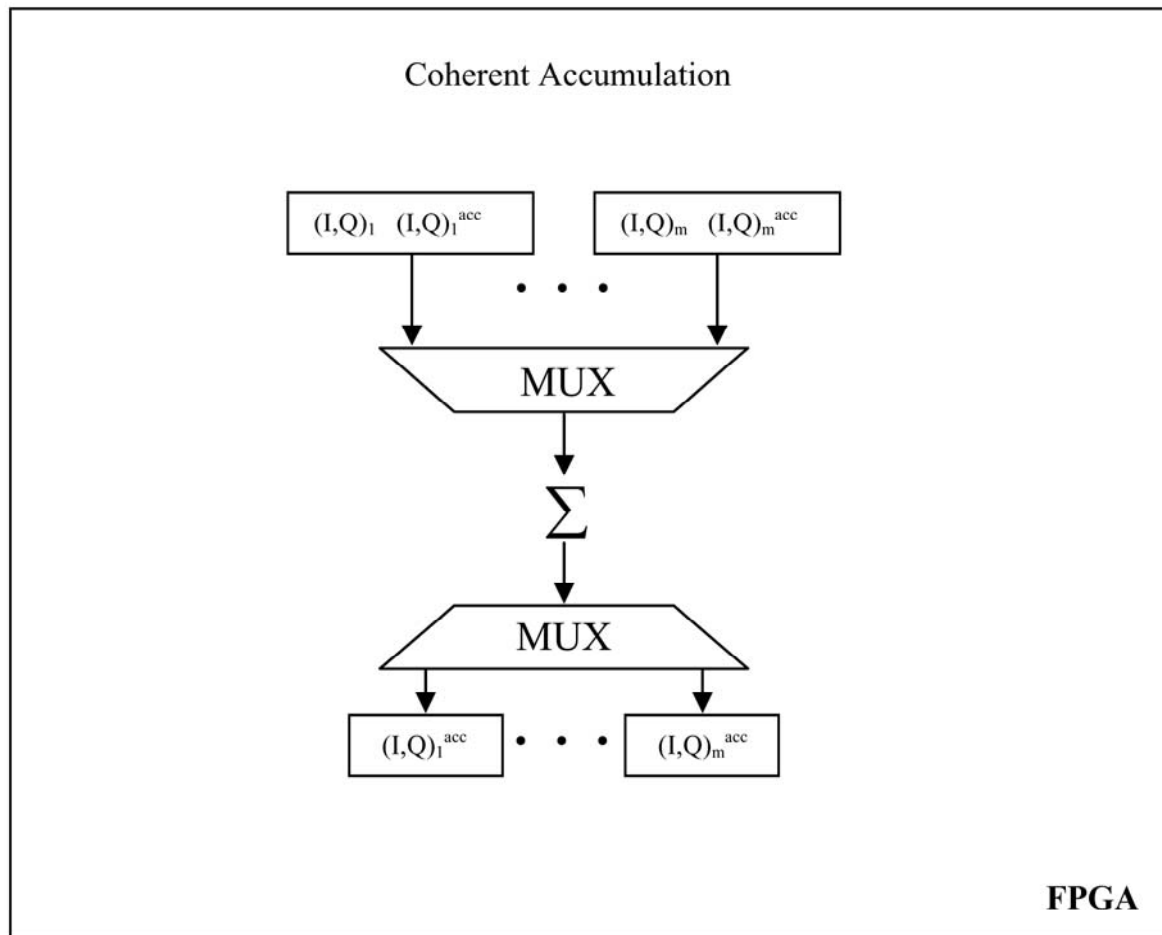


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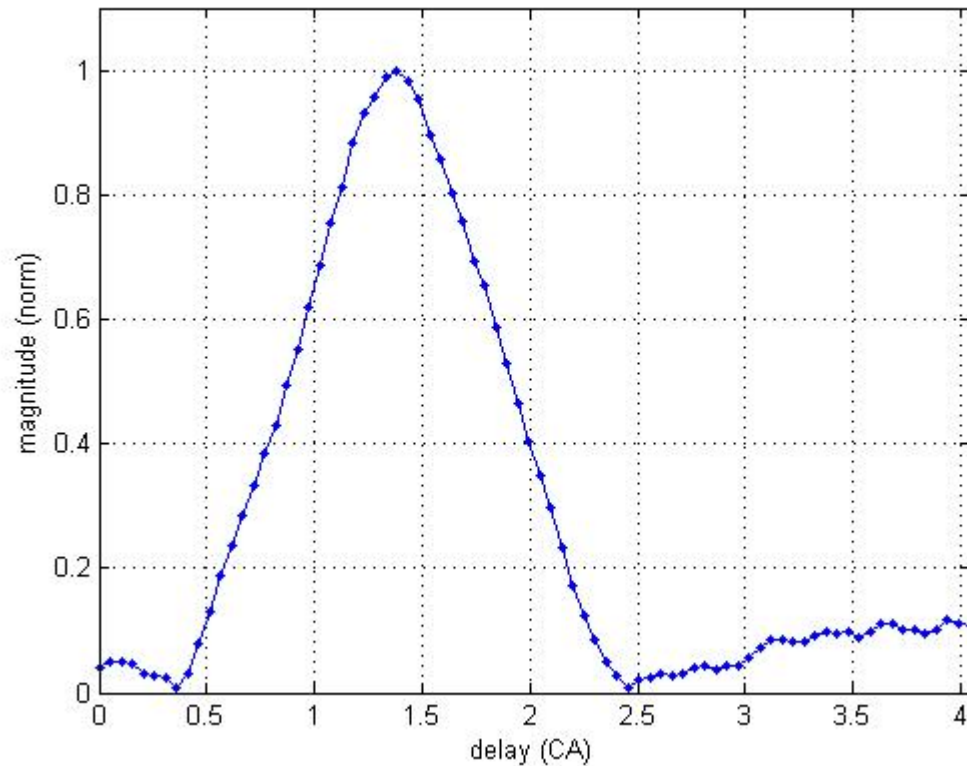
# Basic functionality description(6)

- Output data:
  - FPGA Slave Channel parameters.
  - Global variables(CPU).
  - Tx id., Tx elv. and az.
  - Tx vel., Tx pos., Rx vel., Rx pos. (ECEF), Rx hdg.
  - Time tag, GPS time, carrier phase, pseudo range, etc.
  - All tracked Tx elv., az.
  - IQ Prompt master channel.
  - IQ slave channel.
  - other ...

# Campaign data

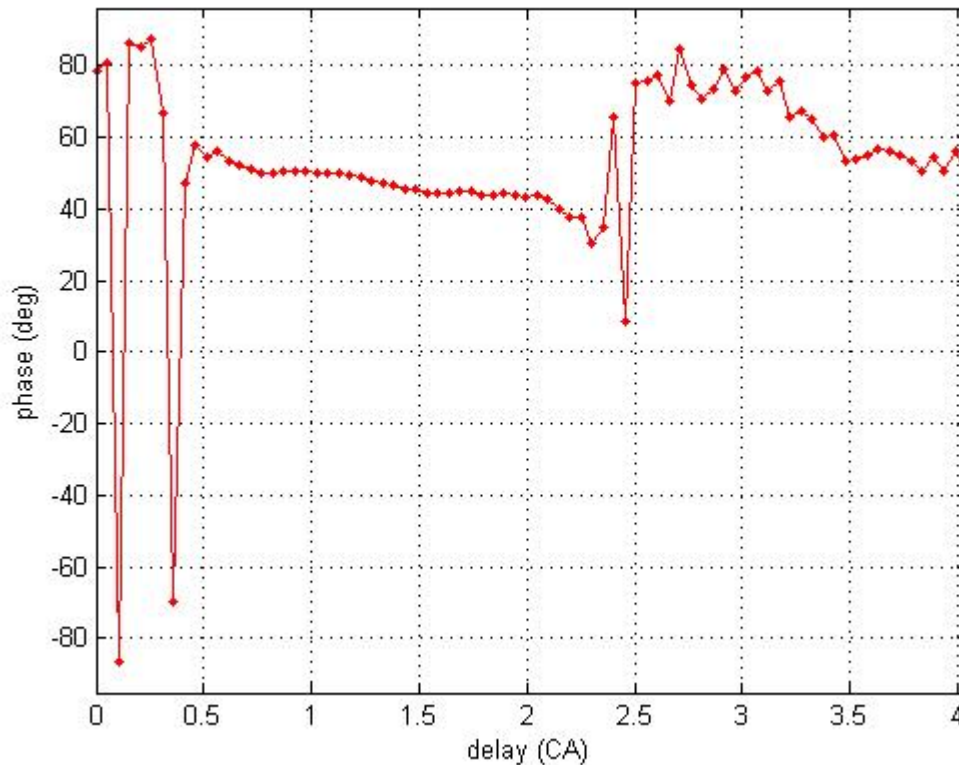


## Campaign data(2)



- coh. acc. = 6 ms.
- delay peak = 757 m.
- Tx id. = 6
- Tx elv = 84.2°
- Tx az. = 310.2°

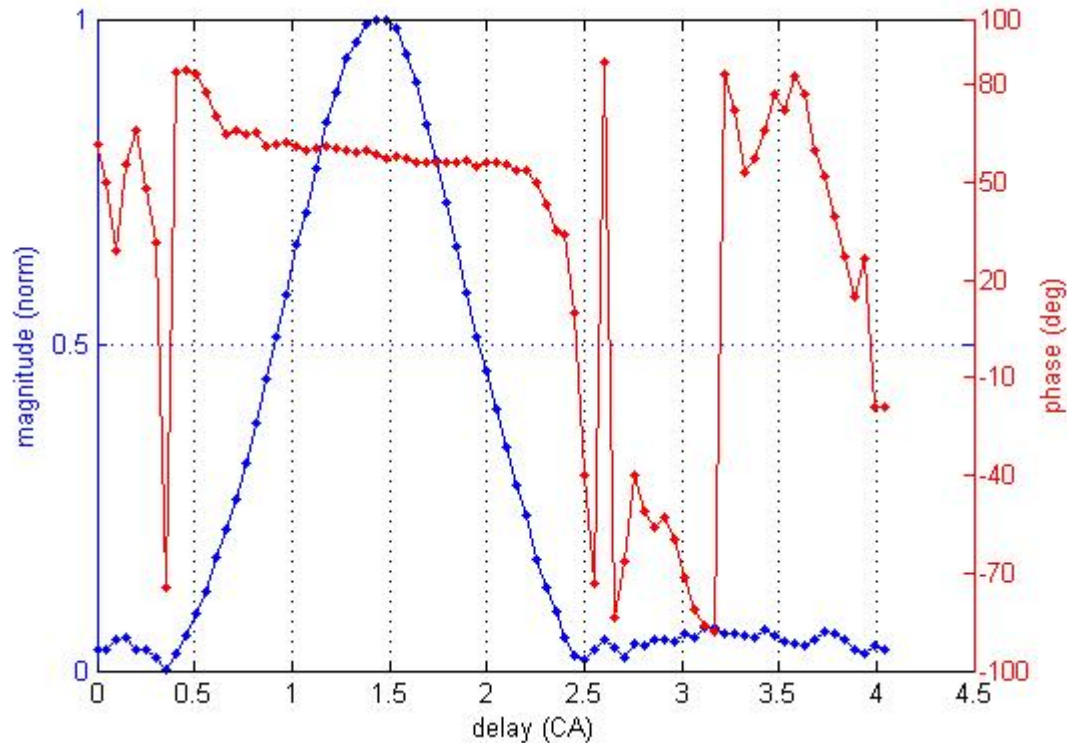
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## Campaign data(4)



- coh. acc. = 9 ms.
- delay peak = 672 m.
- Tx id. = 16
- Tx elv. =  $62.6^\circ$
- Tx az. =  $204.9^\circ$



# Planned upgrade

- GEOHALO certification process.
  - Calibration signal + network.
  - MAX2769 frontend matrix.
  - New interface board.
  - New clock conditioning(active) board.
  - Ethernet(USB) datalogger.
- Software
  - Autonomous GNSS-R Rx operation.
  - ...



# Future Campaigns

- Fahrenberg (2011).
- Reflected signals from sea (2011).
- ZOIS 2011?.
- GEOHALO 2011-2012.

