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High Order Modulation
for Passive Backscatter
Wireless Sensor
Networks



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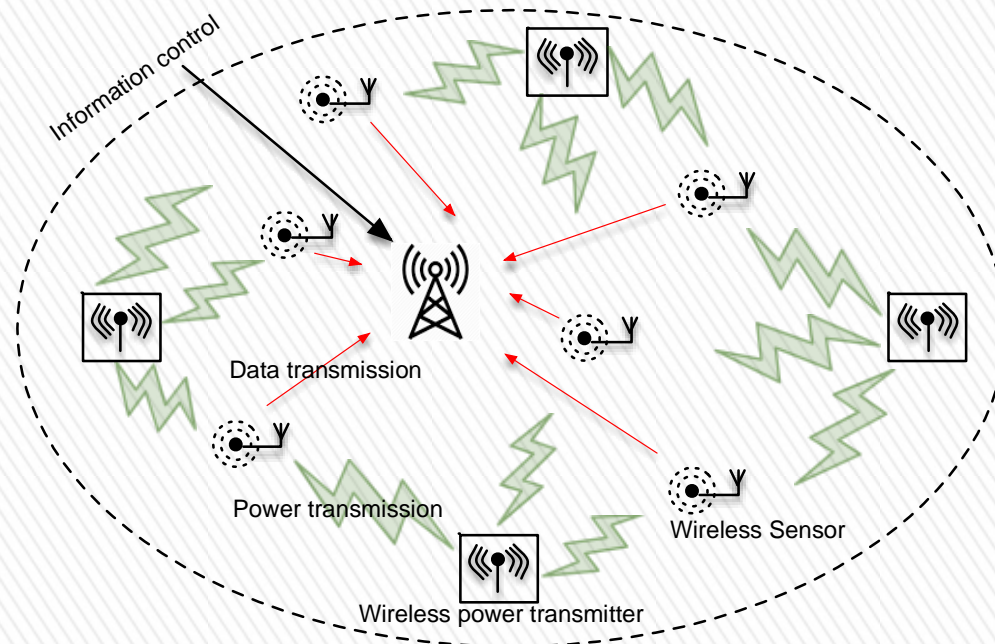
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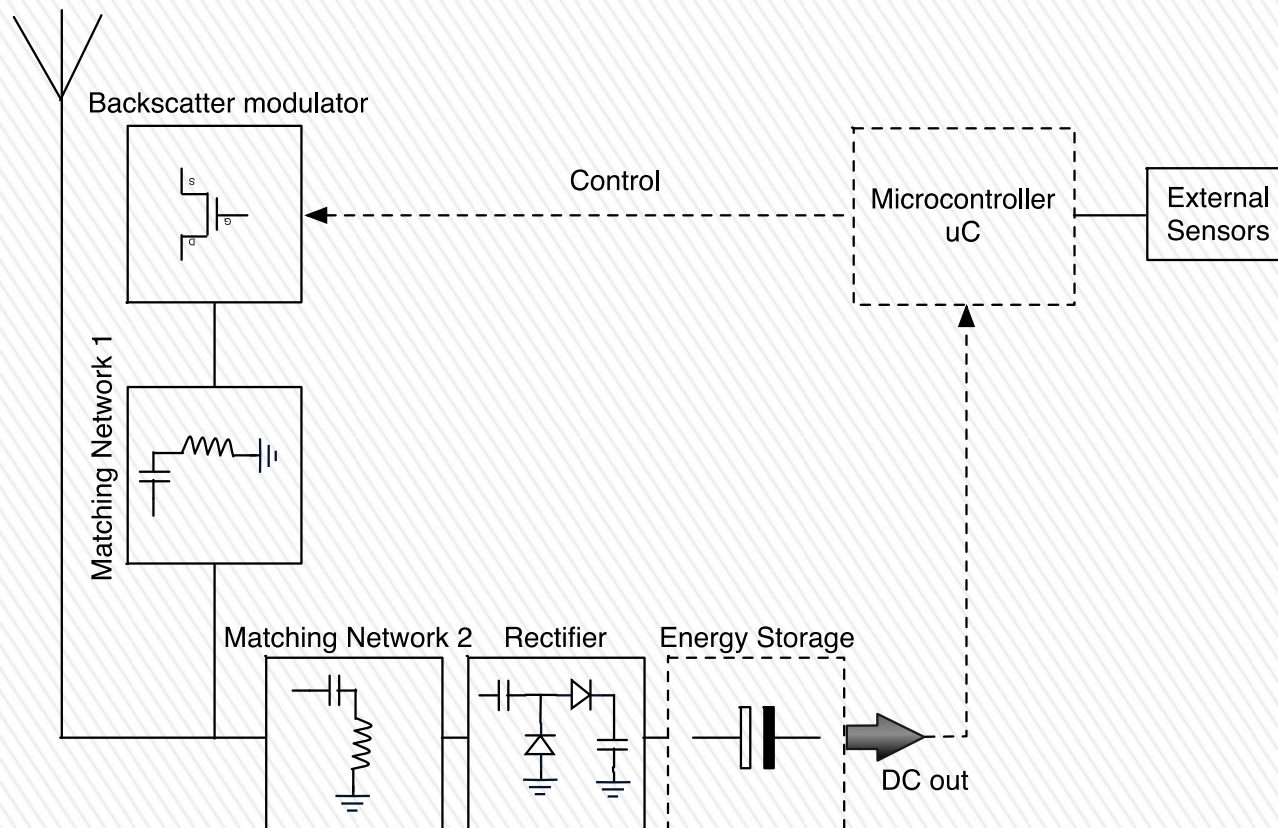
Introduction

- » Potential solution for totally passive sensor networks;
- » Continuous operation with large number of sensors powered by fixed wireless power transmitters;
- » Sensors transfer the data for the information control;
- » Two different frequencies: one for WPT and the other for the backscatter modulation.

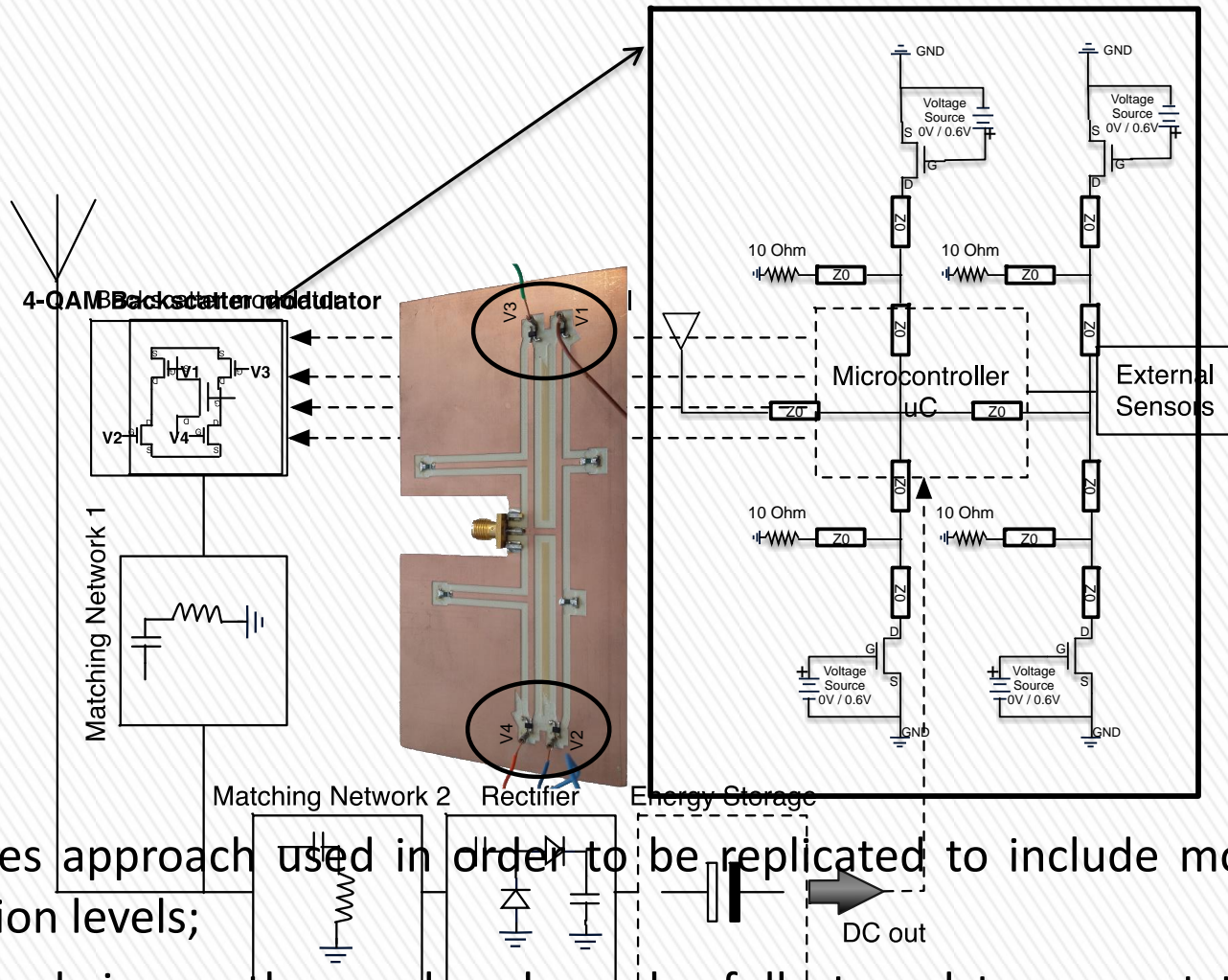


Passive Backscatter with WPT capabilities

- » Designed and optimised to work in two frequencies!
- » It is expected that this system can be capable of supplying the microcontroller and this modulates the information, acquired from the sensors, by controlling the transistor.



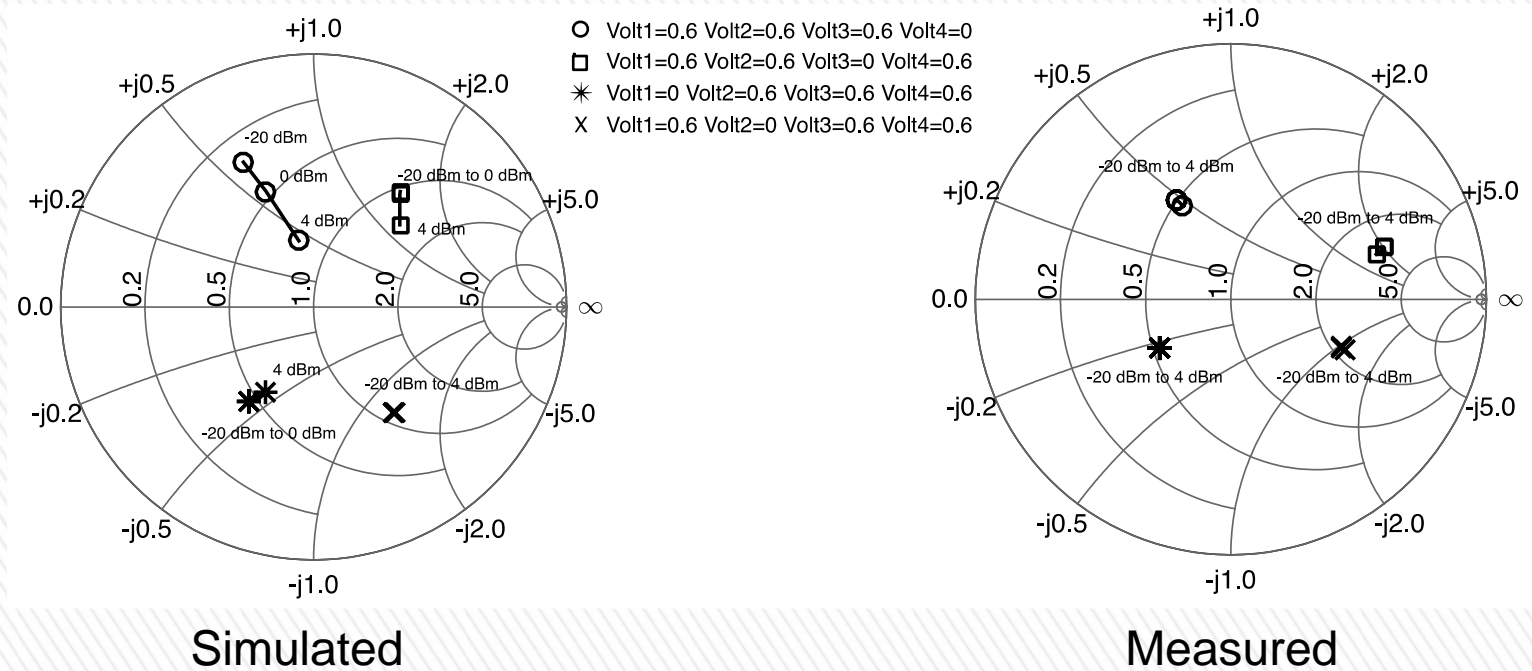
Backscatter High Order Modulation



- » 4 switches approach used in order to be replicated to include more modulation levels;
- » Each branch is exactly equal and can be fully tuned to present the scattering parameters in the smith chart of our choice.

Results

- » The design strategy was to optimize the circuit for several input powers, so that the backscatter can actually work on a variable range scheme;
- » The obtained results clearly showed that the 4-QAM modulation is viable as can be seen in the smith chart.



Conclusion

- » New approach to higher order modulation backscatter radio solutions was developed;
- » The solution combined with a WPT scheme can actually be used to increase bit rate in fully passive WSN and be one of the enablers of the IoT paradigm;
- » From the results it was proved that this solution is clearly a potential solution for fully passive high bit rate WSNs.



Questions?

Thank you!

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