

# Predistortion System Implementation Based On Analog Neural **Networks For Linearizing High Power Amplifiers Transfer** Characteristics AAS-CNRS



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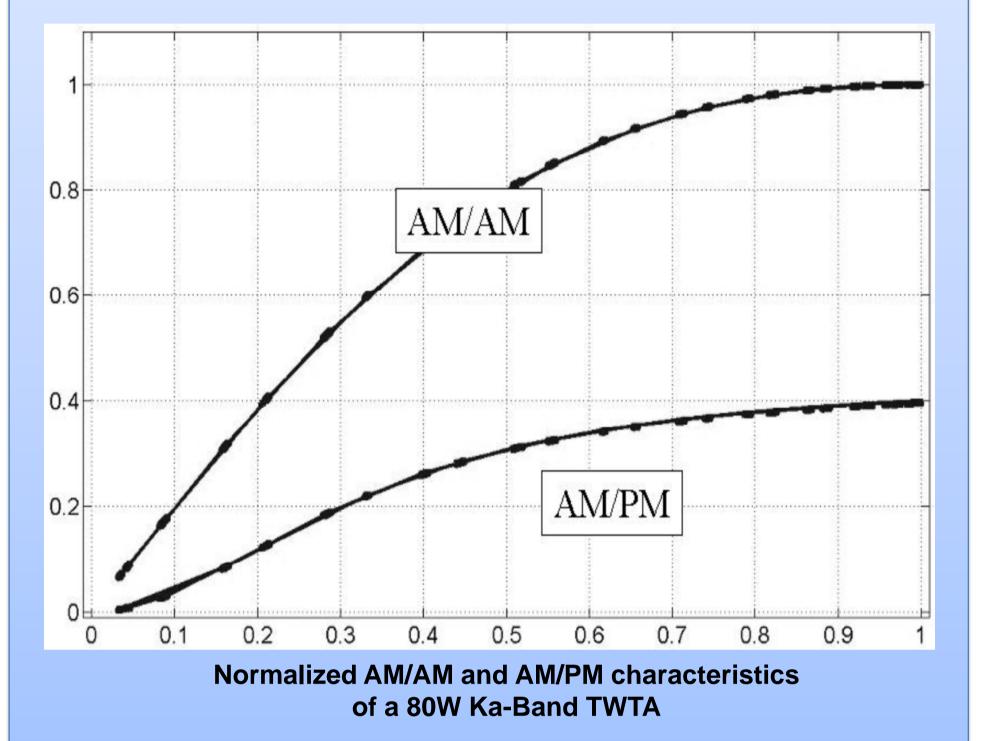


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#### CONTEXT

- Space communications
- High power and spectral efficiency required
- $\Rightarrow$  HPA operating close to saturation
- $\Rightarrow$  Amplitude and phase non-linearities



## **ANALOG PREDISTORTION SYSTEM BASED ON NEURAL NETWORKS**

## **MODELING AND LINEARIZATION OF HPA**

•Saleh model to approximate HPA transfer characteristics

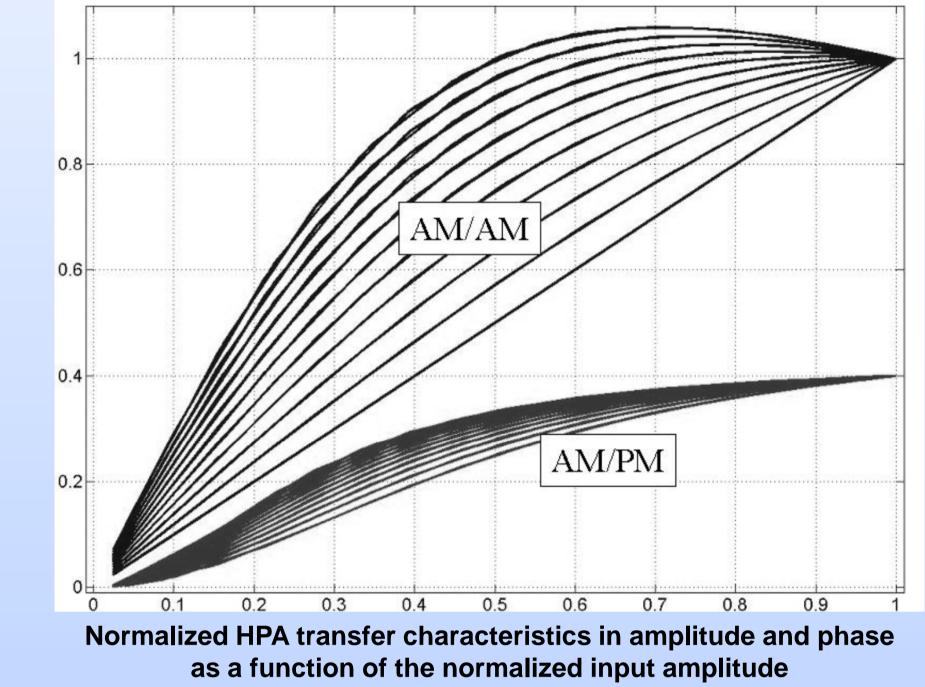
$$A_{HPA}(\rho) = \frac{\alpha_1}{1 + \beta_1 \cdot \rho^2}$$
$$\phi_{HPA}(\rho) = \frac{\alpha_2 \cdot \rho^2}{1 + \beta_2 \cdot \rho^2}$$

$$\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \beta_1, \beta_2$$
: Saleh parameters

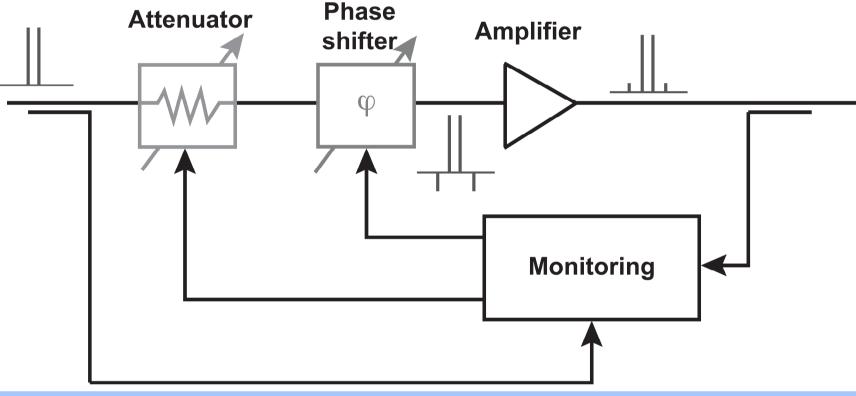
Simple to use

> Fits well the HPA characteristics at first order Adaptive through scalar parameters' modification

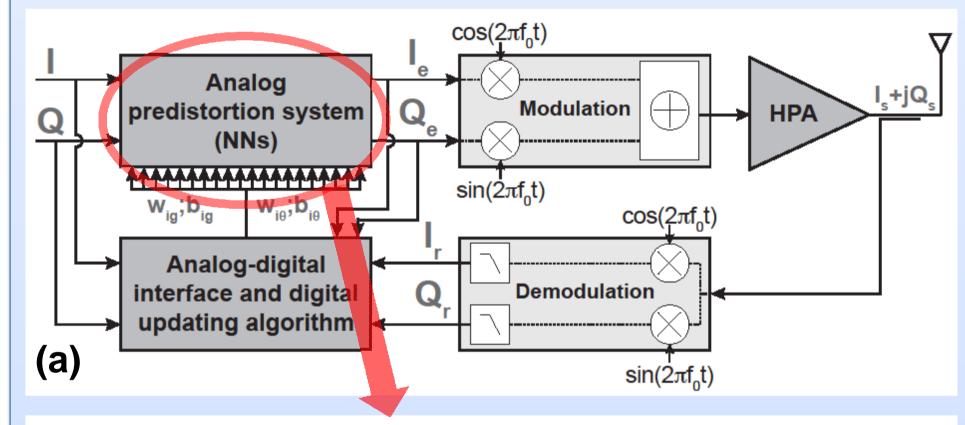
• Linearization by feedback predistortion technique

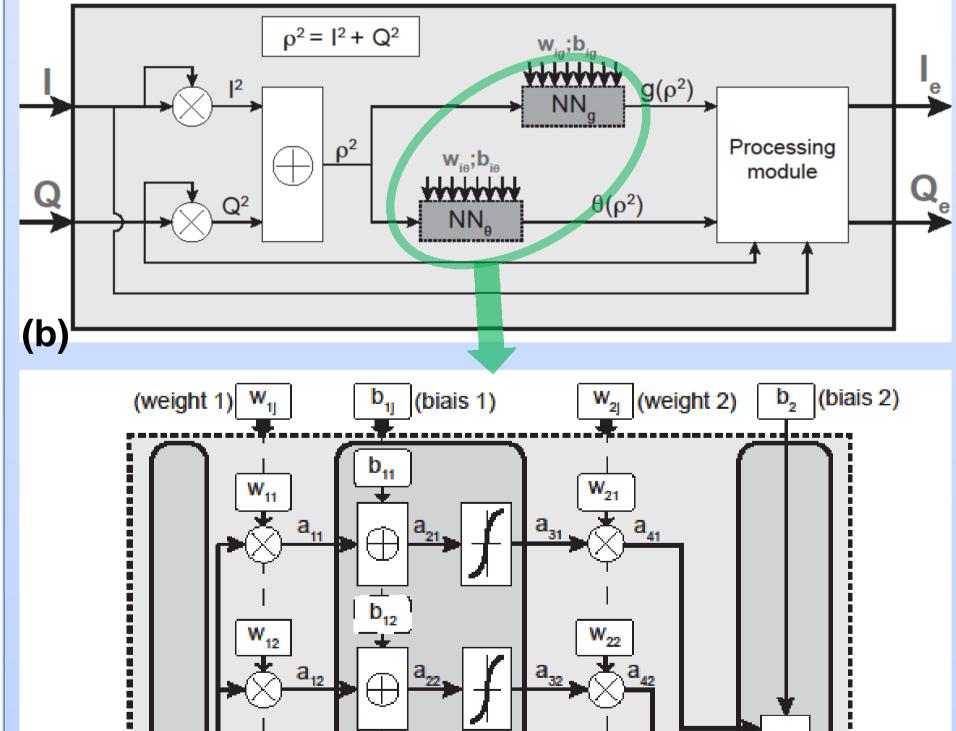


for different Saleh scalar values.



Architecture of the predistortion feedback technique





#### REALIZATION

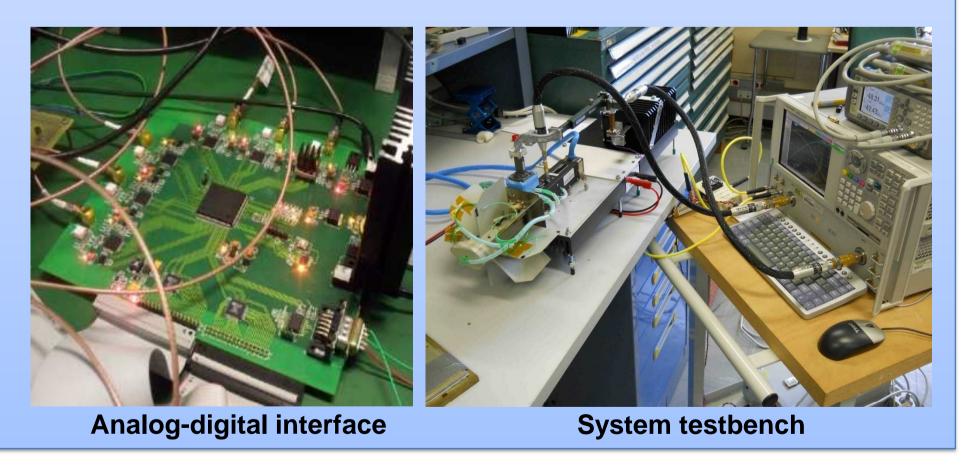
• Predistortion circuit: CMOS 0.6µm ASIC

 Analog-digital interface: > FPGA > 62 DACs › 6 ADCs

**Neural Network circuit** for the analog predistortion system

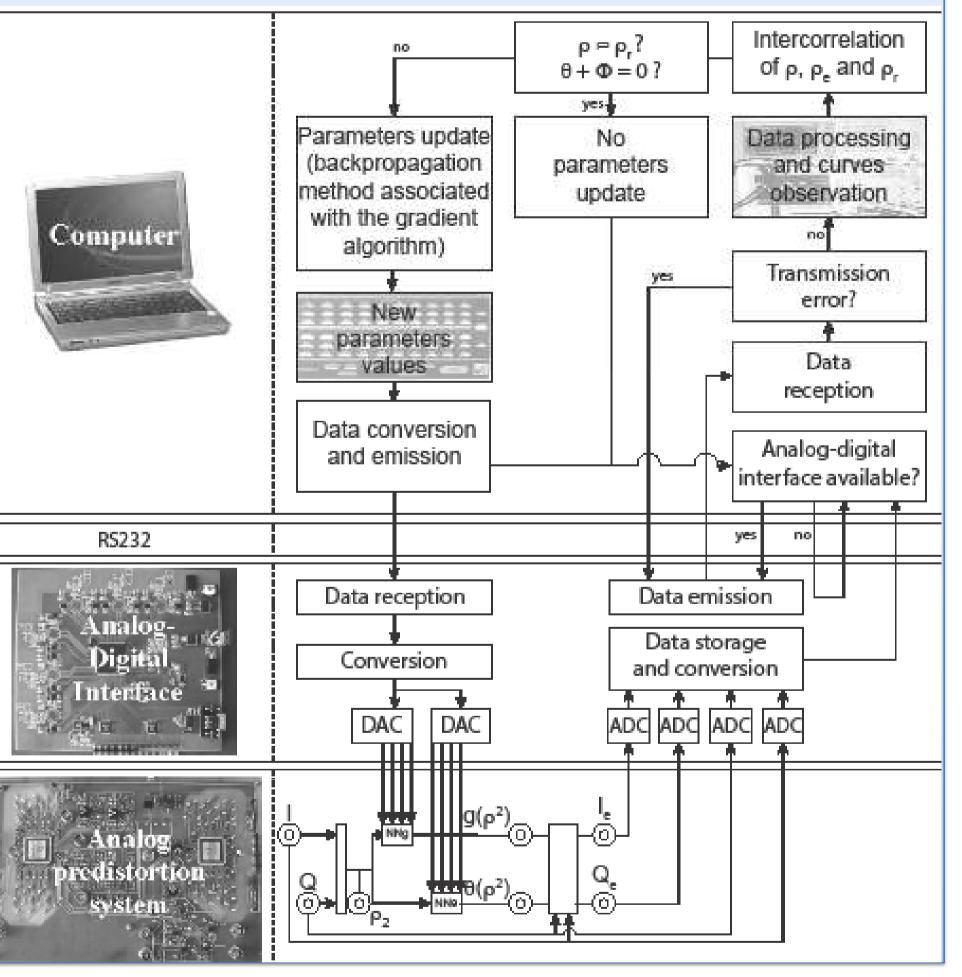
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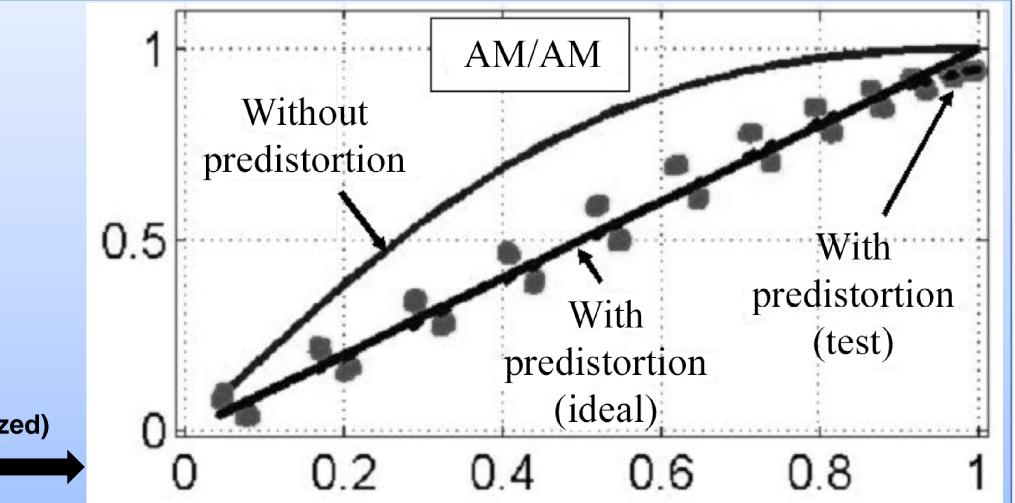
 Processing and control unit: NI LabWindows<sup>™</sup>/ CVI software

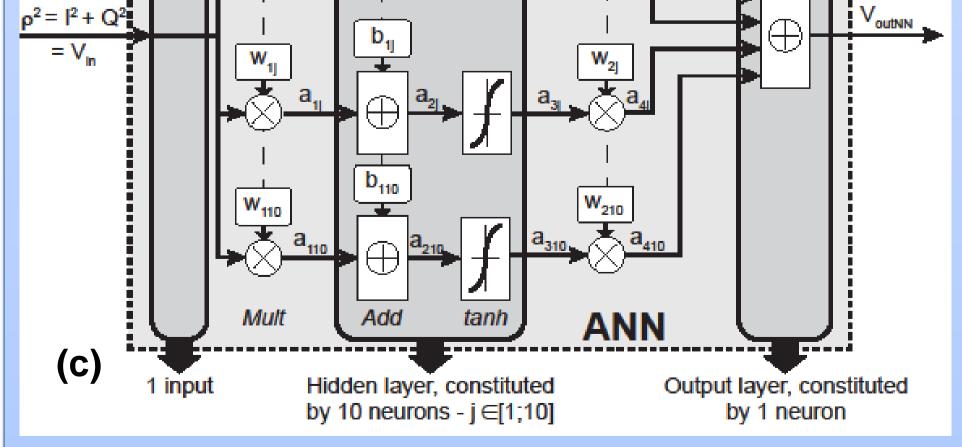


RESULTS

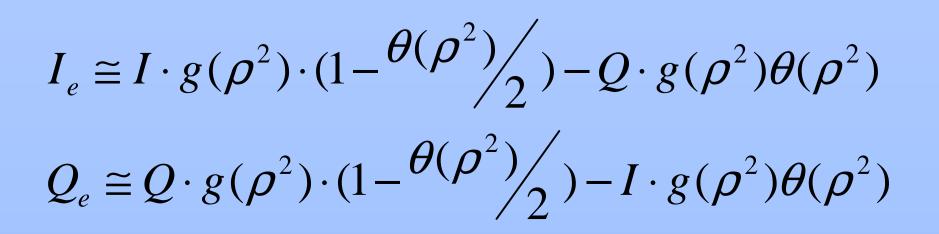
#### **TEST PROCEDURE**







Top-down approach of the analog predistortion system architecture (a) Whole system | (b) Analog predistortion system (b)(c) Neural Networks architecture



• System able to correct both AM/AM and AM/PM non-linearities :

> SER > 30 dB

Amplitude mean relative error <5%</li>

 $\rightarrow$  Phase mean relative error <5%

Experimental AM/AM curves as a function of the input amplitude (normalized) • without predistortion (solid curve)

• with predistortion (solid straight: ideal; dots: experimental points)

# **CONCLUSION AND PERSPECTIVES**

 System able to linearize different HPA transfer characteristics approximated with the Saleh model Validation of the concept of analog predistortion based on Neural Networks

- Future improvements:
  - > Taking into account memory effects
  - Real-time auto-adaptive system
  - Complete integration in SiP