Abstract
Digital beamforming (DBF) is an emerging technology desired by modern radar and communication systems for flexible and agile beam scanning and nulling. Though DBF technology is very attractive, its high performance is traditionally associated with heavy usage of microwave and digital components so the high cost. Multiple-Input Multiple-Output (MIMO) radar is another new technology originated from communications engineering and now find attractive applications in radar engineering.

In this presentation, a novel MIMO DBF radar new concept that uses only one transceiver (T/R) module and a time division multiplexing (TDM) signal selection scheme is introduced. In this system concept, the number of required microwave digital transmitter and receiver modules is reduced from the N+M for a conventional MIMO radar to 2 so as to drastically reduce system cost while maintain necessary and satisfactory radar performance.

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