Real-time FPGA Implementation of Adaptive Beamforming Using QR Decomposition

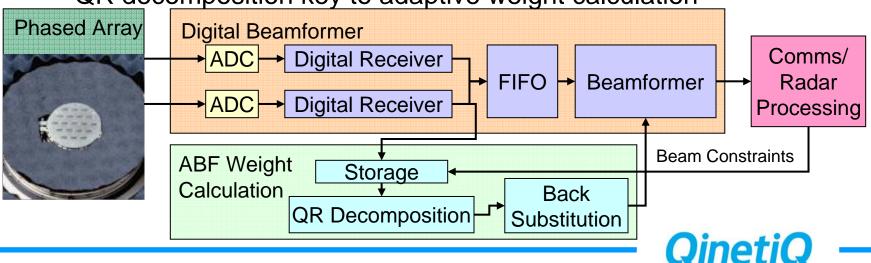
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Real-time Adaptive Beamforming using QR Decomposition

- Phased array antennas
 - Potential to adaptively modify beam patterns
 - Minimise effects of jamming and interference
- Real-time processing required
 - Compensates for platform / jammer motion
- Computationally intensive processing
 - Multiple sensor inputs
 - Digital receiver / beamforming processing
 - Adaptive weight calculation via QR decomposition and back substitution

QR decomposition key to adaptive weight calculation



FPGA Implementation of QR decomposition

- QR is a method for solving simultaneous equations
 - Determines least mean square error
 - Converts input data into an upper triangular array
 - Back-substitution applied to extract weights
- Suitable for FPGA implementation
 - Rotate and Vectorise processor cells
- Developed as a configurable FPGA core
 - Trade FPGA resources against processing speed

