

UNIC-CASS Project

Polyphase Transmission Filter

- Design Title:
 - Polyphase transmission filter for QPSK modulation
- Design Acronym:
 - Tx-PPF

Team Composition

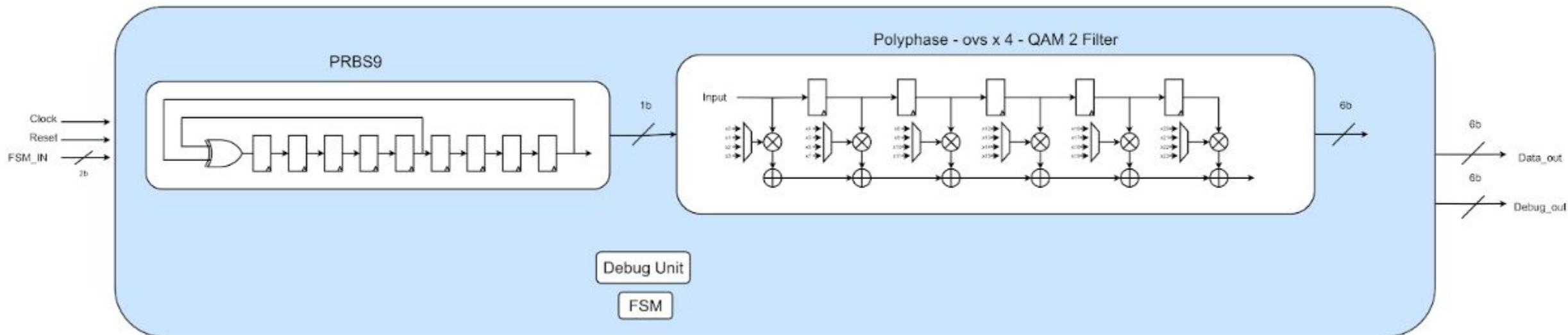
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Diagram for main blocks



Design Details

● Description of the idea:

This project presents the design of a **Polyphase Transmit Filter** for generating an upsampled baseband signal for **QAM-2 modulation**. The filter performs **×4 upsampling** using **24 taps** on the input signal. In addition, a **Finite State Machine (FSM)** and a **Debug Unit** are included for control and diagnostic purposes.

The architecture comprises the following key digital blocks:

- **PRBS9 Generator:** Produces a pseudo-random bit sequence as the input stream for verification, enabling realistic stimulus while validating spectral shaping and upsampling performance.
- **Polyphase FIR Filter:** Implemented with four phases of six taps each, it processes 1-bit input samples to generate oversampled QAM-2 outputs efficiently.
- **Output Stage:** Performs rounding and saturation to ensure 6-bit I/Q outputs suitable for DAC interfacing.
- **FSM:** Controls the system using two-bit inputs, enabling the transmit filter and the debug unit as required.
- **Debug Unit:** Outputs the PRBS stream, the current polyphase filter phase, and the FSM state for monitoring and debugging.

Unlike conventional zero-insertion upsampling, the polyphase filter interpolates efficiently while preserving spectral quality and minimizing hardware cost. With carefully designed and quantized coefficients, this architecture offers a **compact, scalable solution for high-speed transmitters**.

Design Details

- Input Pins:

- Clock: 1 pin
- Reset: 1 pin
- FSM_in: 2 pin
- VCD + GND: 2 pin

- Output Pins:

- data_out: 6 pins
- debug_unit_out: 6 pins

Estimated Number of Pins:*

Input: *

6

Output: *

12

Bidirectional: *

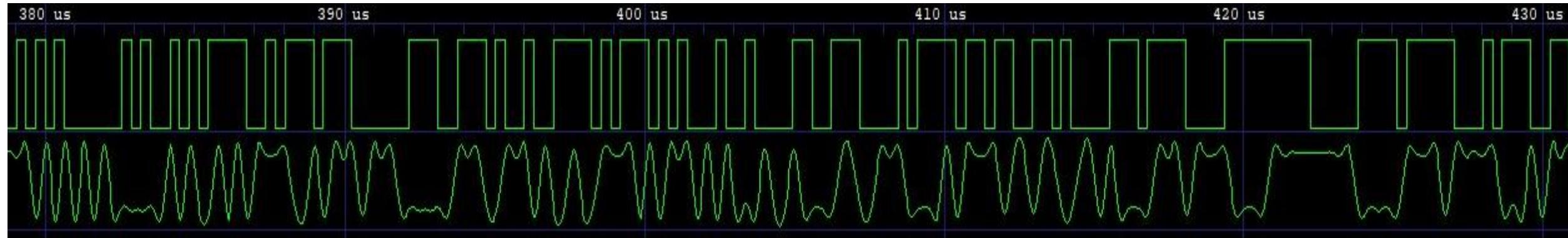
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RTL Simulations:

Polyphase SRRC filter input and output respectively:



Polyphase SRRC filter impulse response:

