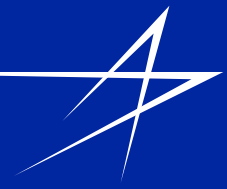




Leveraging DoD Capabilities to Demonstrate Dual Pol and Multi-Mission Performance for MPAR

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Topics



- *MPAR Technical Challenges*
- *Risk Reduction Test-bed*
- *Leveraging DoD Assets*
- *Summary*

MPAR Technical Challenges



- ***Dual Pol Phased Array Performance***
 - ***Required polarization purity***
 - ***Dual Pol Calibration***
 - ***Required Dual Pol Configuration***
- ***Simultaneous Multi-Mission***
 - ***Consolidated CONOPS***
 - ***Radar Resource Scheduling***
 - ***Spectrum Allocation***
- ***Cost of the Phased Array Antenna***
 - ***Consolidated Requirements***
 - ***Array Architecture and Size***
 - ***Cost of the Electronics***

Active Dual Pol Test-bed System Reduces Key System Risks and Shapes MPAR Requirement Development

Risk Reduction Strategy

MPAR Community

- **Technical Risk Reduction (Near Term)**
 - **Characterize Dual Pol Phased Array Performance**
 - **Demonstrate Multi-Mission Scheduling Capabilities**
 - **Demonstrate Enhanced Ground Clutter Suppression**
- **Technology Optimization (Long Term)**
 - **Reducing MIMIC Cost**
 - **Miniaturization of Electronics**
 - **Reduction in Production Cost**

Industry

Near Term Technical Risk Reduction Options



DoD

*Phased Array Technology
Air Cooled GaN MMICS*



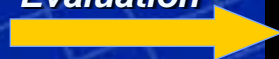
System Architecture and Integration



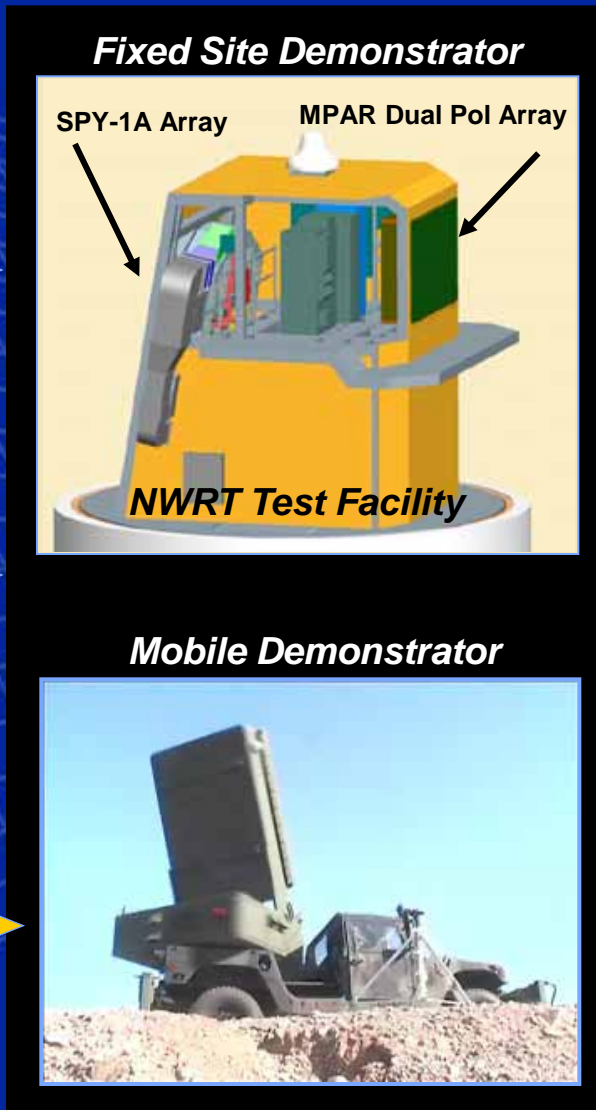
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Government Labs and Universities

Algorithm Development and Performance Evaluation



MPAR Test-bed



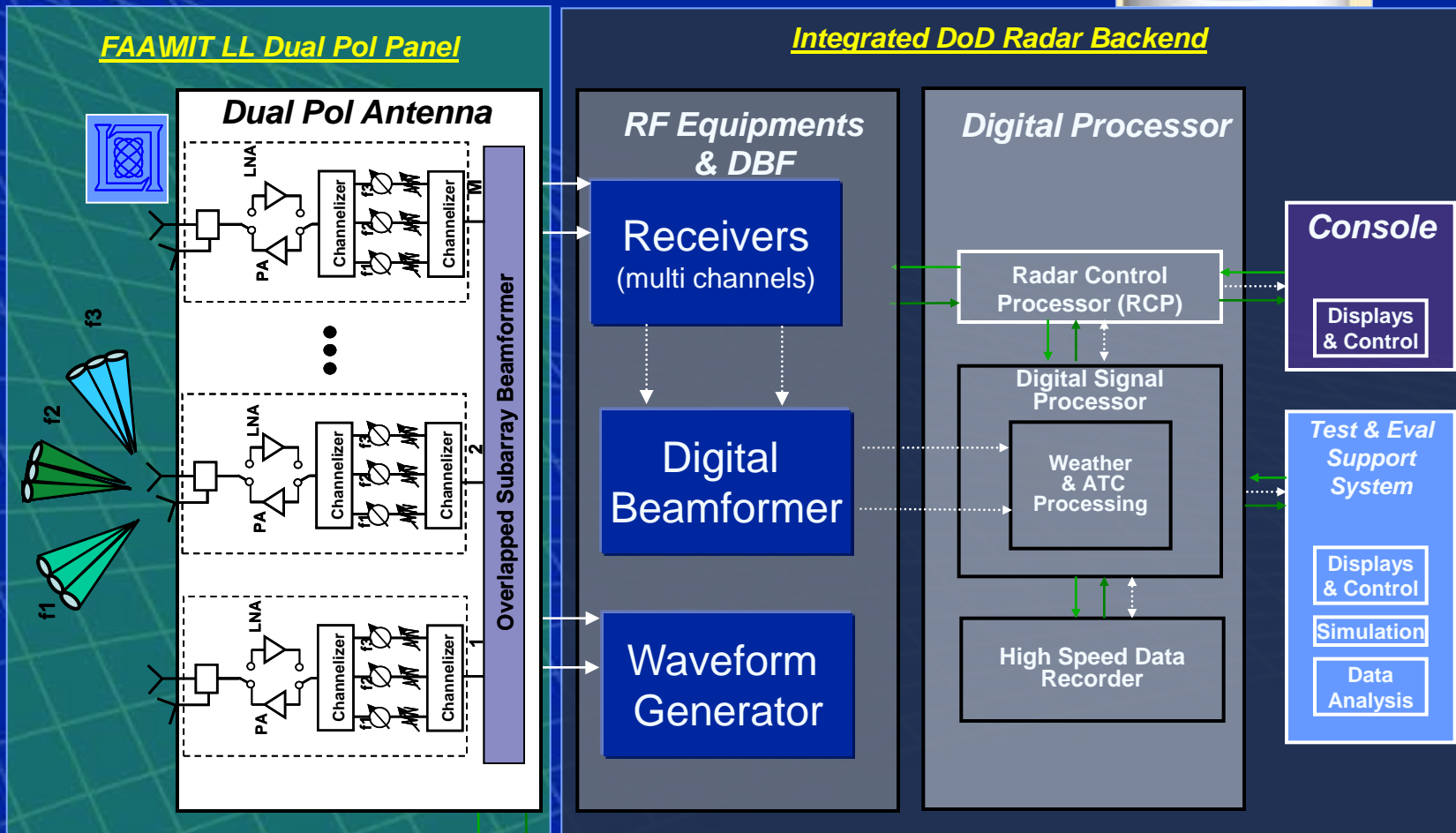
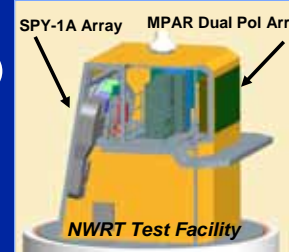
Option 1

- Use Existing NWRT Facility
- Maintain NWRT Operation
- Build Dual Pol Active Array With Digital Beamforming backend
- De-Risk MPAR Technical Challenges
 - Dual Pol Performance
 - Simultaneous Multi-Mission
 - Co-Site Interference

Option 2

- Modify EQ-36 Based antenna frontend to Dual Pol
- De-Risk MPAR Technical Challenges
 - Dual Pol Performance
 - Simultaneous Multi-Mission

FAAWIT LL and DoD Backend Demo Overview (Option 1)



Leveraging existing developments to build active dual pol Test-bed with DBF capabilities

Potential Mobile Demonstrator (Option 2)



Dual Pol Technical Risk Reduction (Modify Existing Radar System)

EQ-36 Prototype Features

- **S-Band Solid State Array Electronic Scanning in Azimuth and Elevation**
- **Mechanical Scanning in Azimuth**
- **Single HMMWV Mobility / C-130 Transport – Towed 35kW Generator**
- **Live Testing Completed**



EQ-36 Prototype



Dual Pol Multi-mission PAR
Demonstrator Option

Modified Dual Pol Demonstrator Features

- **Dual Pol element design**
- **Sequential dual pol operation mode**
- **High Performance T/R modules**
- **Weather and Aircraft surveillance and track missions**
- **Mobile Radar**

Summary



- ***Building on the NWRT Success***
- ***Provides the Research Tool to Better Understand***
 - ***Dual Pol Phased Array Performance***
 - ***Radar Scan Strategy for Multi-Mission***
 - ***Ground Clutter Suppression***
- ***Leveraging Existing DoD Developments***
 - ***Minimizes Demo Cost***
 - ***Minimizes Integration Risks***
 - ***Minimizes Implementation Time***

