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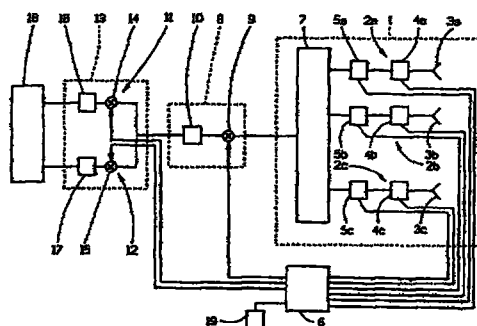
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(54) Title: **METHOD AND ARRANGEMENT FOR RADIO COMMUNICATION WITH AN ELECTRICALLY CONTROLLED ANTENNA**



WO 00/79699 A1 (57) Abstract: The invention relates to a method for radio communication with an electrically controlled antenna (1) which comprises at least two transceiver modules (2a, 2b, 2c) which in each case comprise an antenna element (3a, 3b, 3c), a controllable phase rotator (4a, 4b, 4c) and a controllable amplifier (5a, 5b, 5c), which method, in reception with the antenna (1), comprises the following: controlled phase rotation of a received signal in the respective transceiver module (2a, 2b, 2c), controlled amplification of the received signal in the respective transceiver module (2a, 2b, 2c), summing of the signals from the respective transceiver module (2a, 2b, 2c), analogue/digital conversion of the summed signal, dividing of the summed signal into at least two separable parts-signals which correspond to different reception of patterns at the antenna (1), and digital signal processing of the said part-signals. The invention is characterized in that it comprises modulation of the said phase rotation and/or amplification with a predetermined code which corresponds to the respective part-signal and which is applied to the respective transceiver module (2a, 2b, 2c) before the said summing, and demodulation of the said analogue/digital-converted signal with a further code which is the inverse of the above-mentioned code, whereby the respective part-signal is separated. The invention also relates to an arrangement for carrying out the said method. The invention provides an improved radio communication system in which an antenna (1) can be divided into different part-antennas or, alternatively, utilized for defining a plurality of different simultaneous signal lobes.