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Introduction

EN 50607 specifies the second generation of channel stacking systems for satellite reception. The second generation allows more reception possibilities by increasing the number of user bands and the number of satellite feeds.

This Technical Report provides implementation examples to assist manufacturers and installers of satellite distribution and satellite receiving equipment to implement EN 50607 in the most convenient way and to ease installation of products according to EN 50607.

1 Scope

This Technical Report describes a number of different satellite reception scenarios and how to use SCD2 here. In particular, Universal and Wideband LNB architectures for different SHF bands (Ku-, Ka- and C-Band) are taken into account.

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 50607, *Satellite signal distribution over a single coaxial cable - Second generation*

3 Terms, definitions and abbreviations

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For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN 50607 apply.

3.2 Abbreviations

For the purposes of this document, the abbreviations given in EN 50607 apply.

4 Standard applications

4.1 General note for all application examples

The following examples show block diagrams for one user band only. For more user bands, switch matrix and converter blocks can be multiplied accordingly.

Function blocks are simplified (no pre-selection filters etc.).

Data format is simplified (offset of 100 MHz in transmitted data is ignored).

Only analogue converters are shown, the examples can be adapted for dCSS solutions accordingly.

Basically, the examples describe applications with:

- a) Universal LNB (see 4.2);
- b) Multi-switch with feed by Quatro LNB (see 4.3);
- c) LNB's with wideband architecture (see 4.4.);
- d) Multi-switch with wideband feed see (4.5);
- e) Two satellite reception (see 4.6);
- f) C-Band LNB's (see 4.7);
- g) Universal Ka Band LNB with dual wideband hardware (see 4.8);
- h) Multi-switch with feed by LNB (dual wideband feed) in 4.9;
- i) Ka Band LNB (ultra-wideband hardware) in 4.10.

4.2 SCD2 Universal LNB

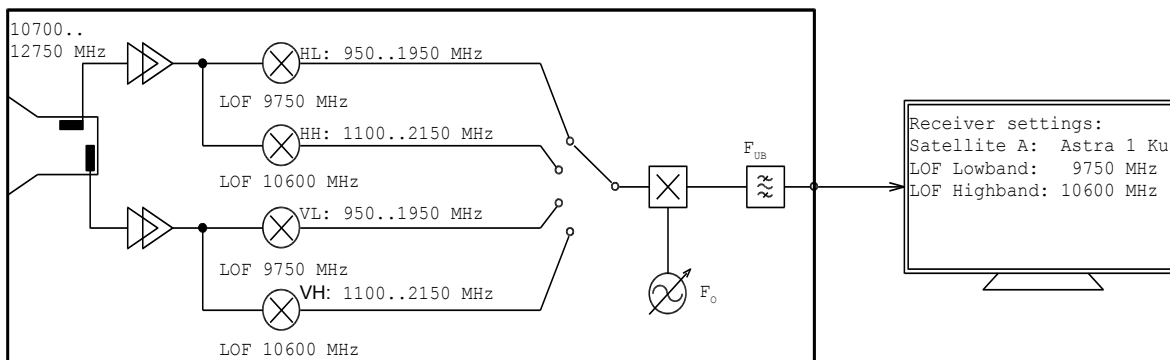


Figure 1 — SCD2 Universal- LNB — Example for Ku Band

This example shows a typical Universal LNB with a bank switch and one channel-stacking converter. The bank switch is controlled using the SCD2 bits .0 (“band”) and .1 (“polarity”). The oscillator of the CSS converter is controlled by requested IF frequency from receiver plus frequency of the user band. In the receiver, the LOFs are set accordingly to the real LOFs of the LNB.

EXAMPLE Receiver is set to UB1 with 1 280 MHz. Desired program is 11 494 MHz, low band, horizontal. Receiver is configured to LOF 9 750 MHz for low band. Receiver calculates $IF = 11\,494\text{ MHz} - 9\,750\text{ MHz} = 1\,744\text{ MHz}$. This information is sent in SCD2 data format. To convert 1 744 MHz to 1 280 MHz, the SCD2 converter sets the oscillator to $F_o = 3\,024\text{ MHz}$.

NOTE Concerning LNB configuration (entering of LO frequencies for Low band and High band in), the necessary configuration measures by the installer are the same as for legacy DiSeqC LNBs. The procedure described above of course is also valid for LNBs operating in other frequency bands (for example Ka Band). An application with a Universal LNB which covers a frequency range of more than 2,05 GHz (dual wideband hardware) is described in 4.8.

4.3 SCD2 Multi-switch with feed by Quatro LNB

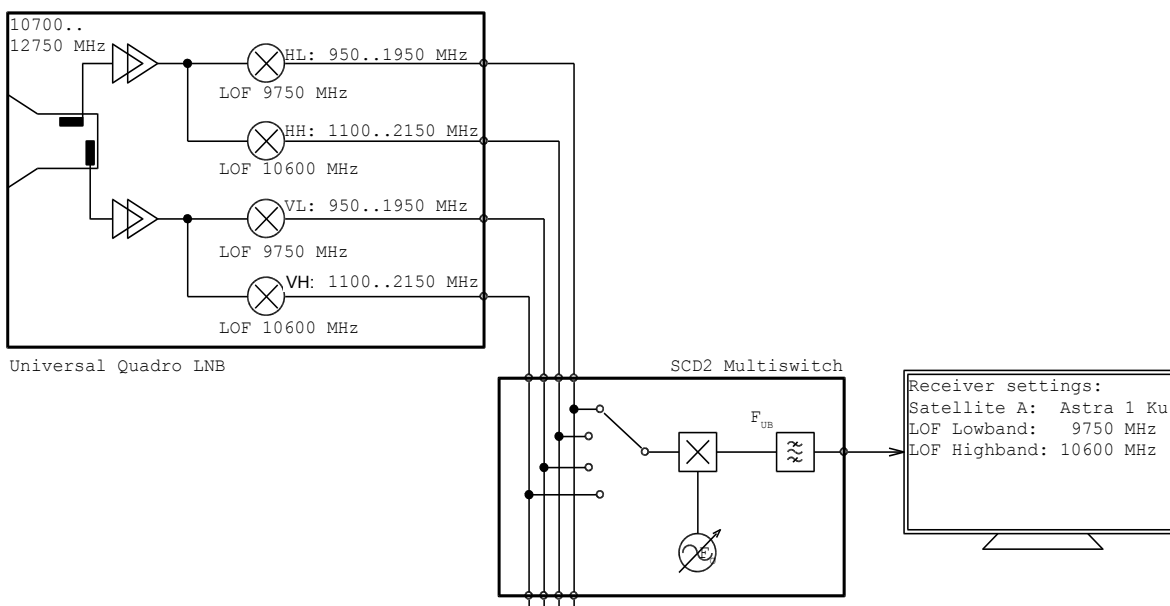


Figure 2 — SCD2 Multi-switch with standard feed by Universal LNB — Example for Ku Band

This example shows a typical application of a CSS multi-switch with a standard L-Band signal provided by a Quatro LNB. The bank switch of the CSS converter is controlled using the SCD2 bits .0 (“band”) and .1 (“polarity”). The oscillator of the CSS converter is controlled by requested IF frequency from receiver plus frequency of the user band. In the receiver, the LOFs are set accordingly to the real LOFs of the LNB.

4.4 SCD2 LNB with wideband architecture

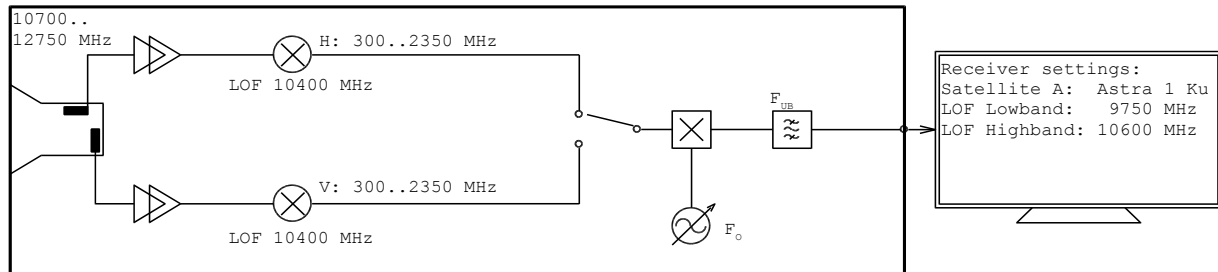


Figure 3 — SCD2 LNB with wideband architecture — Example for Ku Band

SCD2 also supports CSS LNBS using wideband architecture. In the above example, only one LOF with $F = 10\,400$ MHz is used. Functionality of a Universal LNB with standard band architecture is emulated; therefore, the receiver does not need special settings. The polarity switch is controlled using the SCD2 bit .1 (“polarity”). A band switch is emulated by adding an offset to the frequency of the CSS conversion oscillator. The offset depends on the SCD2 bit .0 (“band”) and is -650 MHz for low band and $+200$ MHz for high band. SCD2 Universal Wide-Band LNBS using other LO frequencies than $10\,400$ MHz can be realised by using other offset frequencies (e.g. -450 MHz and $+400$ MHz for LOF = $10\,200$ MHz).

EXAMPLE 1 Receiver is set to UB1 with $1\,280$ MHz. Desired program is at $11\,494$ MHz, low band, horizontal. Receiver is configured to LOF $9\,750$ MHz for low band. Receiver calculates $IF = 11\,494\text{ MHz} - 9\,750\text{ MHz} = 1\,744\text{ MHz}$. This information is sent in SCD2 data format. In the SCD2 converter, low band request is received, so with this wide-band LNB hardware, the desired program can be found 650 MHz lower than with standard Universal LNB hardware. To convert the required channel $1\,744$ MHz to $1\,280$ MHz, the SCD2 converter sets oscillator to $F_o = 1\,744\text{ MHz} - 650\text{ MHz} + 1\,280\text{ MHz} = 2\,374\text{ MHz}$.

EXAMPLE 2 Receiver is set to UB1 with $1\,280$ MHz. Desired program is at $11\,836$ MHz, high band, horizontal. Receiver is configured to LOF $10\,600$ MHz for high band. Receiver calculates $IF = 11\,836\text{ MHz} - 10\,600\text{ MHz} = 1\,236\text{ MHz}$. This information is sent in SCD2 data format. In the SCD2 converter, high band request is received, so with this wide-band hardware, the desired program can be found 200 MHz higher than with standard L-Band hardware. To convert the required channel $1\,236$ MHz to $1\,280$ MHz, the SCD2 converter sets oscillator to $F_o = 1\,236\text{ MHz} + 200\text{ MHz} + 1\,280\text{ MHz} = 2\,716\text{ MHz}$.

NOTE Because Universal LNB emulation is used, the necessary configuration measures (entering LO frequencies in the STB menu) are equivalent to the NOTE in 4.2.

4.5 SCD2 Multi-switch with wideband feed

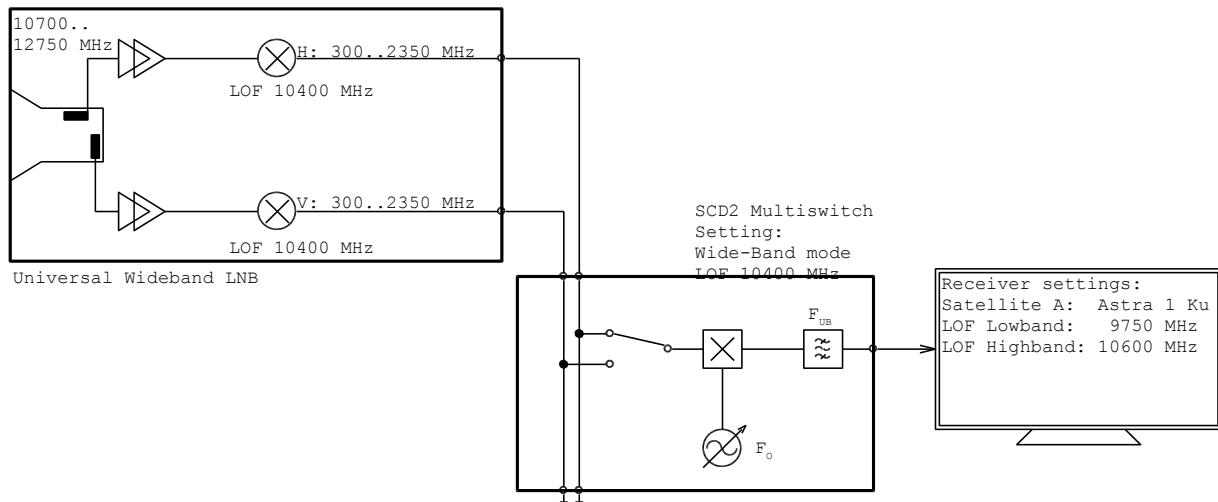


Figure 4 — SCD2 Multi-switch with wideband feed — Example for Ku Band

SCD2 also supports CSS multi-switches using wideband transmission between LNB and switch. In the above example, a LNB with only one LOF with $F = 10\,400$ MHz is used. Signal is fed from LNB to CSS switch with one coaxial cable per polarity. In the CSS multi-switch, the functionality of a Universal LNB with standard band architecture is emulated; therefore, the receiver does not need special settings. The CSS multi-switch must be configured to wideband input mode and needs to know the LOF of the wideband LNB.

The polarity switch is controlled using the SCD2 bit .1 (“polarity”). A band switch is emulated by adding an offset to the frequency of the CSS conversion oscillator. The offset depends on the SCD2 bit .0 (“band”) and is - 650 MHz for low band and + 200 MHz for high band.

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EXAMPLE 2 Receiver is set to UB1 with 1 280 MHz. Desired program is at 11 836 MHz, high band, horizontal. Receiver is configured to LOF 10 600 MHz for high band. Receiver calculates $IF = 11\,836\text{ MHz} - 10\,600\text{ MHz} = 1\,236\text{ MHz}$. This information is sent in SCD2 data format. In the SCD2 converter, high band request is received, so with this wide-band hardware, the desired program can be found 200 MHz higher than with standard L-Band hardware. To convert the required channel 1 236 MHz to 1 280 MHz, the SCD2 converter sets the oscillator to $F_o = 1\,236\text{ MHz} + 200\text{ MHz} + 1\,280\text{ MHz} = 2\,716\text{ MHz}$.

4.6 SCD2 multi-switch (two satellite reception)

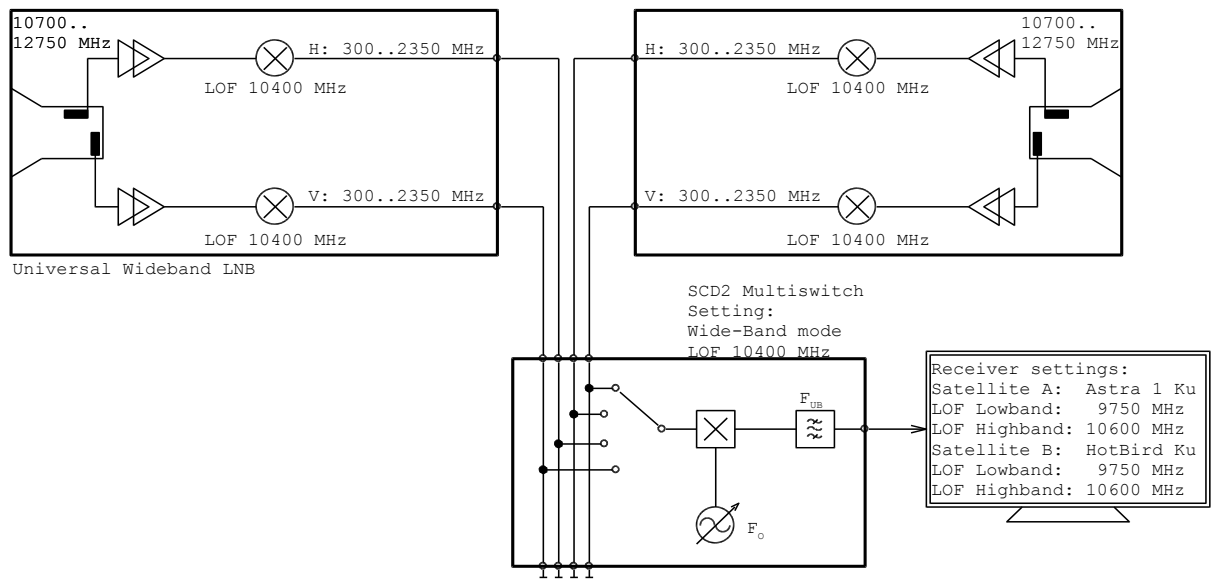


Figure 5 — SCD2 multi-switch (two-satellite reception)

Dual satellite distribution using CSS multi-switches can be realised with wide-band signal distribution between the wideband LNBs and the CSS multi-switch. The multi-switch is set to wide-band input mode and emulates standard Universal LNBs. The CSS multi-switch needs to know the LOFs of the LNBs. For the receiver, there is no special configuration required. In addition to what is described in 4.5, SCD2 bit .3 shall be used for selection of the satellite position.

4.7 SCD2 C-Band LNB

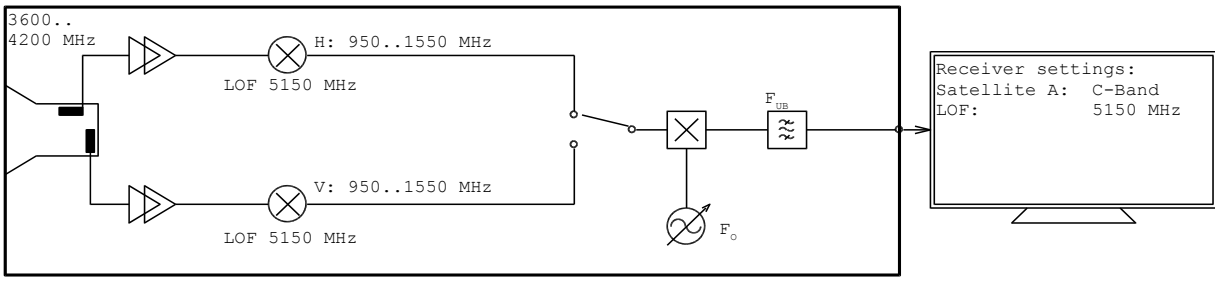


Figure 6 — SCD2 C-Band LNB

SCD2 also supports CSS C-band LNB. In the above example, a LNB with only one LOF with $F = 5\ 150\ \text{MHz}$ is used. The bank switch of the CSS converter is controlled using the SCD2 bit .1 (“polarity”). The oscillator of the CSS converter is controlled by requested IF frequency from receiver plus frequency of the user band. In the receiver, the LOF is set accordingly to the real LOF of the LNB. Receiver takes care of spectrum inversion as it does with a standard legacy C-Band LNB connected. The necessary installation measures (entering LO frequency in the STB menu) are the same as for legacy (Standard DiSEqC) LNBs

Due to reasons such as EMC, a LO with a different (higher) frequency might be used. This can be compensated by adding an offset to the CSS oscillator (we then have 5 150 MHz emulation mode). Also direct conversion to F_{UB} could be realised in 5 150 MHz emulation mode.

4.8 SCD2 Ka-Band LNB (dual wideband hardware)

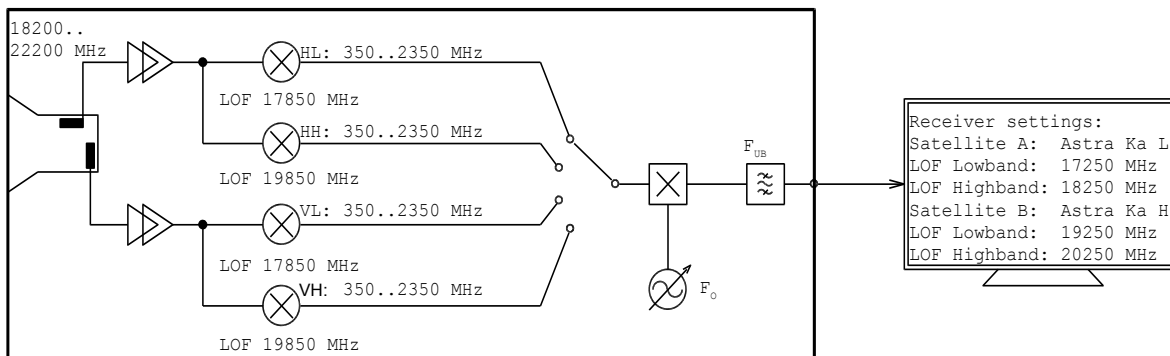


Figure 7 — SCD2 Ka-Band LNB (dual wideband hardware)

For reception of a complete 4 GHz block per polarity, a dual-wideband architecture can be used for a SCD2 LNB. The signal is split into blocks of 2 GHz bandwidth that can be handled by a wide-band SCD converter. Bank selection is done using the SCD2 bits .1 (“polarity”) and .2 (“position”). SCD2 bit .0 (“band”) is used for the oscillator offset (see 4.4 for an example to calculate the offsets). In the receiver, the lower block of 2 GHz of the Ka band and the higher block of 2 GHz are handled as separate satellite systems.

4.9 SCD2 multi-switch with Ka-Band LNB (dual wideband feed)

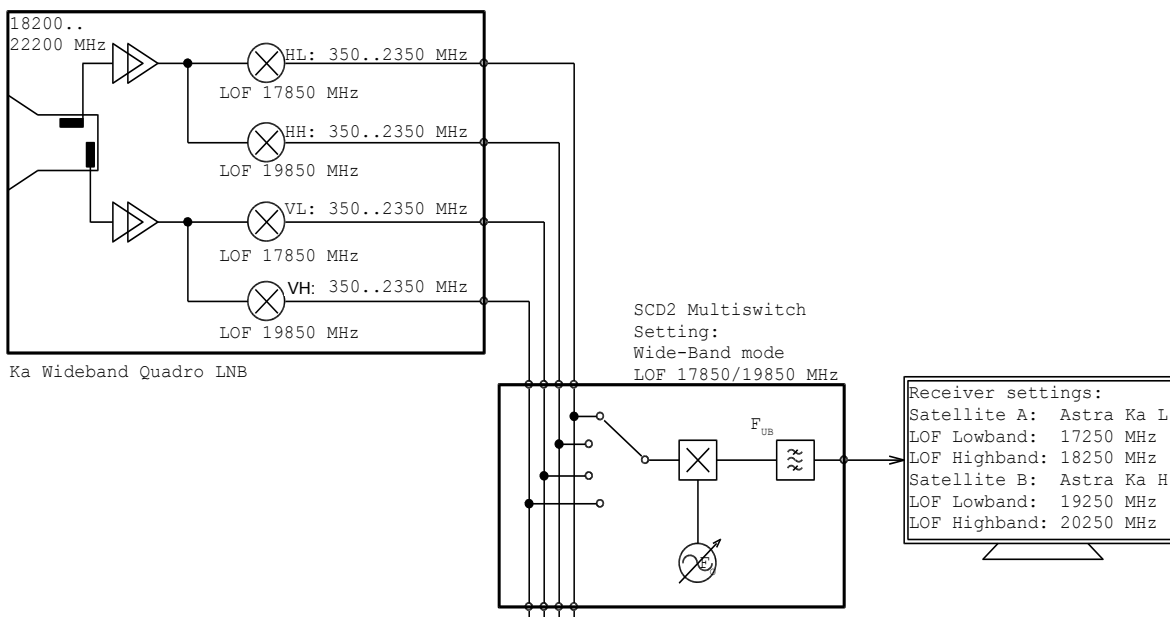


Figure 8 — SCD2 multi-switch with Ka-Band LNB (dual wideband feed)

Distribution of a complete 4 GHz Ka frequency range can also be realised with a SCD2 multi-switch system. The SCD2 multi-switch needs to be configured for wideband mode and needs to know the LOFs of the wideband LNB. The receiver does not need to be configured to a special mode. The two frequency blocks are handled as two different satellite systems.

4.10 SCD2 Ka-Band LNB (ultra-wideband hardware)

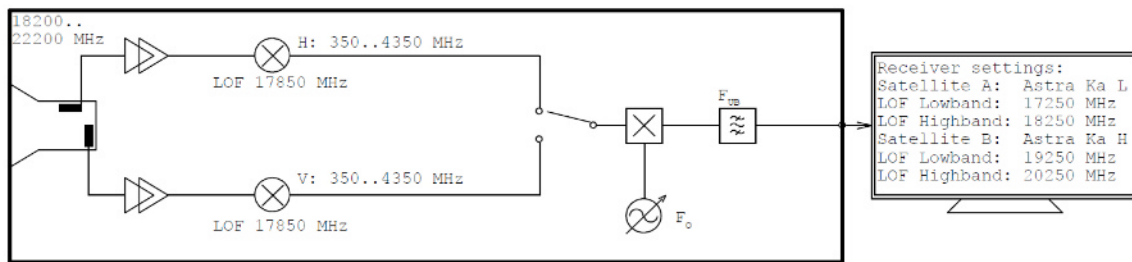


Figure 9 — SCD2 Ka-Band LNB (ultra-wideband hardware)

In case of future CSS converter hardware allowing higher input frequencies SCD2 can be used to control an ultra-wideband CSS LNB. Polarity selection is done using the SCD2 bit .1 (“polarity”). Frequency offsets for the CSS converter unit are calculated according to the states of bit .0 (“band”) and .2 (“position”) such that standard LNB behaviour is emulated; therefore, no special receiver setting is required.

5 Conclusion

As shown with several examples, all foreseeable reception scenarios can be realised with channel stacking according to EN 50607.

It is also very important to remark, that necessary installation measures concerning LNB configuration (entering LO frequencies in the STB menu) are the same as for legacy (Standard DiSEqC) LNBs, because wide-band hardware of the SCD2 devices can be emulated as Universal LNB hardware.

Receiver implementation is easier as SCD2 continues with the same handling structures that are known from direct LNB connection without any channel stacking.

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