

A 100 GHz SIS Quasiparticle Mixer with 10 dB Coupled Gain

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We have tested a superconducting quassiparticle mixer for 85-110 GHz which gives much larger coupled gain than has been previously observed. When operated with a negative dynamic resistance of about 2000 Ω , the maximum coupled gain was $G_{\text{sub M}}(\text{DSB}) = 12.5 \pm 0.5$ dB [$G_{\text{sub M}}(\text{SSB}) = 9.5 \pm 2.5$ dB]. The associated mixer noise temperature was 15.9 K (DSB). Large gain was also observed with large positive dynamic resistance, giving the lowest mixer noise temperature of 12.4 K (DSB).

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