

Bias Stabilization for Resonant Tunnel Diode Oscillators

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While Resonant tunnel diodes (RTD's) are useful as submillimeter-wave oscillators, circuit design constraints imposed to suppress parasitic bias circuit oscillations have limited output powers to well below 1 mW. We report a 7.5GHz RTD oscillator with a shunt regulator for bias circuit stabilization. With regulation, oscillator power is not limited by stability constraints. Regulation elements are readily integrated with RTD's to construct monolithic RTD oscillator arrays.

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