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5 mW GaAs HBT Low Power Consumption X-Band Amplifier (1994 Vol. I [MWSYM])

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We report on a 5 mW GaAs HBT low power consumption X-band amplifier which benchmarks the highest gain to dc power quotient figure of merit reported for HBT technology. This amplifier utilizes the inherently high maximum available/stable gain of our 2- μm Self-aligned Base Ohmic Metal GaAs HBTs. The X-band amplifier design consists of 4-sections and can achieve 13.1 dB gain at 12 GHz with less than 5 mW of power consumption. The amplifier is resistively self-biased with 2.1 Volts, and each $2 \times 10 \mu\text{m}^2$ single-emitter HBT draws 0.5 mA with a Vce bias of 2 Volts. The corresponding 1-dB compression is -21.5 dBm. By increasing the total bias current to 50 mA, the amplifier achieves a gain of 39 dB, an IP3 of 13.5 dBm, and a P-1dB of 5.5 dBm while consuming a total of 235 mW.

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