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A Comparison of Low Frequency Noise in GaAs and InP-Based HBTs and VCOs

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The low frequency collector noise spectra for GaAs-based and InP-based HBTs have been measured and compared as a function of emitter material, bias and temperature. Al_{sub} 20/Ga_{sub} 80/As/GaAs and InAlAs/InGaAs HBTs exhibited classic 1/f noise spectra while the Al_{sub} 30/Ga_{sub} 70/As/GaAs HBTs showed a pronounced burst noise component. Identical VCO circuit topologies implemented in Al_{sub} 20/Ga_{sub} 80/As/GaAs and InAlAs/InGaAs HBTs demonstrated a 10 dB improvement in phase noise at a 1 MHz offset over the Al_{sub} 30/Ga_{sub} 70/As/GaAs HBT-based VCO.

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