

Flip-Chip X-Band Operation of Thermally-Shunted Microwave HBT's with Sub-Micron Emitters

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Design and fabrication methods were developed for GaAs-based flip-chip HBTs with emitter sizes down to 1 μm or less. We have fabricated and tested identical size devices in both the conventional and the flip-chip configuration on the same wafer to make a direct comparison of their dc, microwave, and thermal properties. It was shown that flip-chip mounted microwave HBTs can produce the same or better electrical performance than their conventional upright counterparts while offering a 37% improvement in thermal resistance.

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