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Efficient transient compression using an all-silicon nonlinear transmission line

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Nonlinear transmission lines (NLTLs) have so far only been fabricated on GaAs. Here, an NLTL was monolithically integrated on a 2000-spl Omega/spl middot/cm silicon substrate, demonstrating the applicability of the NLTL concept to silicon millimeter-wave integrated circuits (SIMMWICs). The fall time of 74 ps of a 4-GHz sinewave was compressed to 32 ps at the output of the NLTL, in accordance with theory. This is the first working NLTL on silicon to our knowledge.

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