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Monolithic Single FET Mixers with Coplanar Technology to Convert Between V and C Band

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In this paper the design of single FET coplanar mixers to convert signals between V and C band is presented. A step by step design technique was used, based on harmonic balance simulation. The mixer non-linear device is a PMHFET with a 0.15 μ m T-gate. Two different topologies were designed, fabricated and tested: cold mixer and drain mixer. The mixers were optimised for minimum conversion losses on the widest possible bandwidth in order to be used on a large number of applications. The experiments show: for the cold mixer, a conversion loss on a 8GHz band in the range of 8 to 10dB both as up and downconverter; and 2.5dB on a 4GHz band for the drain mixer as down converter.

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