

Silicon carbide MESFETs for high-power S-band applications

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Silicon carbide MESFETs with 0.7 μm gates and 18 mm of total periphery had a $P_{\text{sub 1db}}$ of 15 watts CW at 2.1 GHz with a power-added efficiency of 54%. These FETs were optimized for S-band power and had an $f_{\text{sub T}}$ of 8.5 GHz and an $f_{\text{sub max}}$ of 25 GHz. Similar devices with 0.45 μm gate lengths had an $f_{\text{sub T}}$ of 22 GHz and an $f_{\text{sub max}}$ as high as 50 GHz, demonstrating the potential of this technology to extend to much higher frequencies.

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