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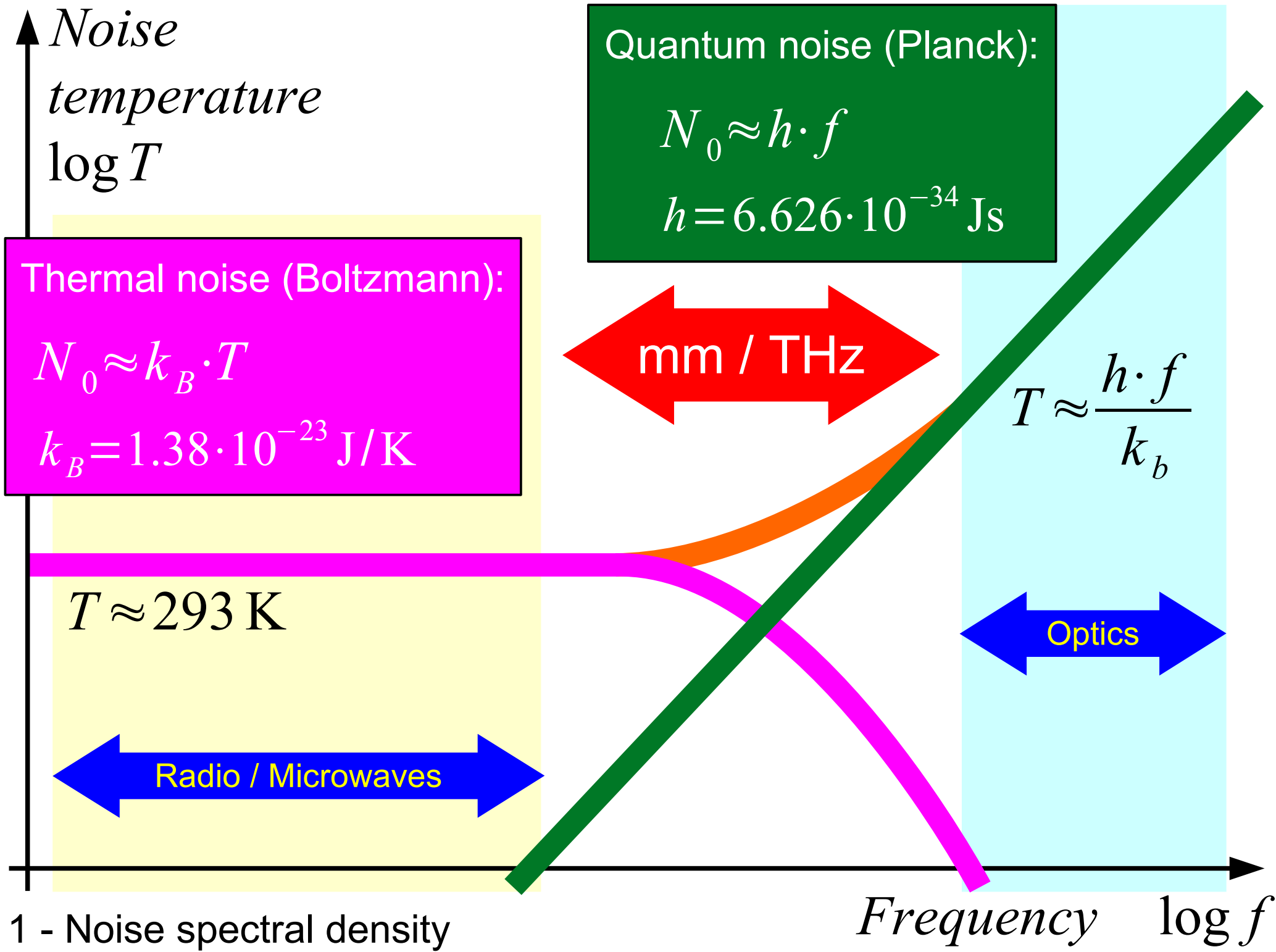
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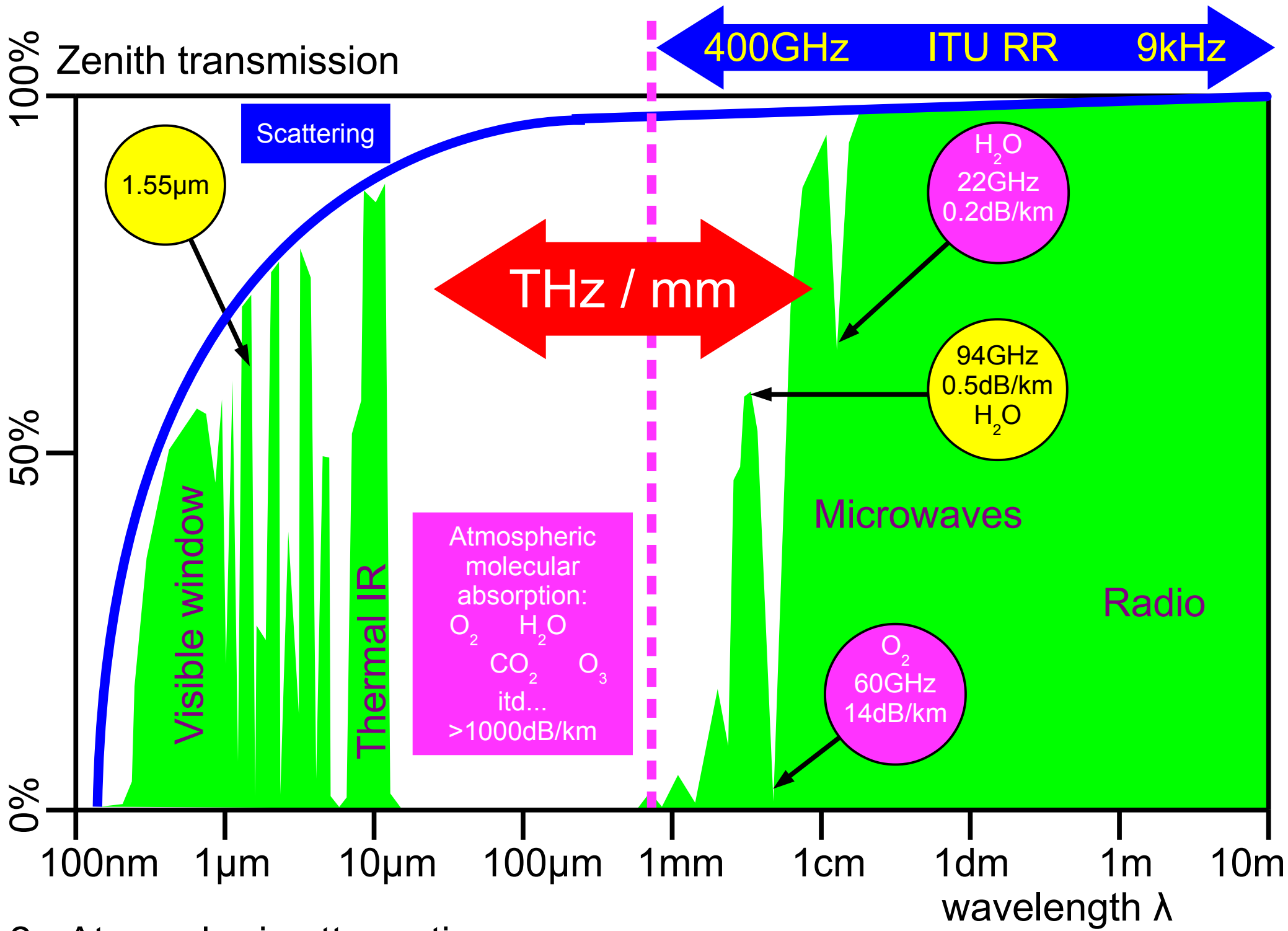
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2 - Atmospheric attenuation

Slow-wave vacuum tube

Narrowband electronically tunable (voltage U)

Typical data:

$$f_0 = 300 \text{ GHz}$$

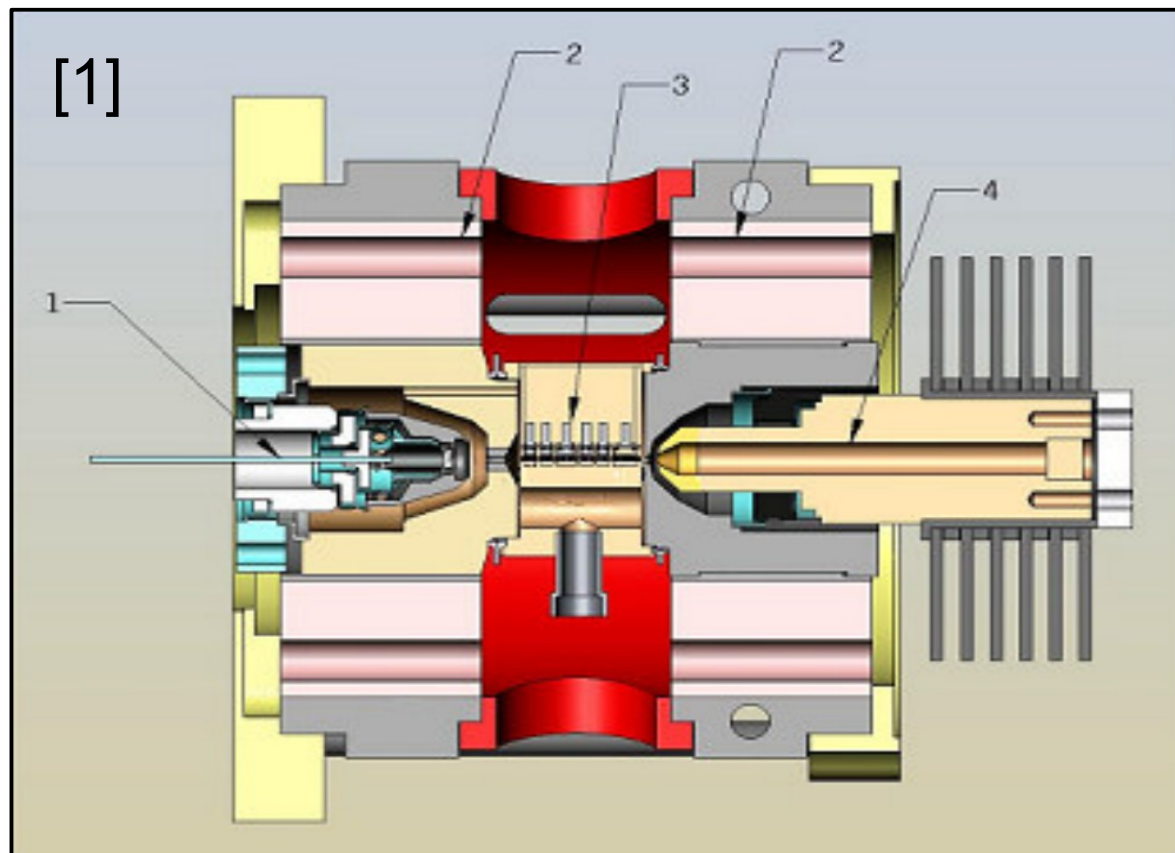
$$\Delta f = \pm 0.2 \text{ GHz}$$

$$P_{\text{OUT}} = 50 \dots 500 \text{ mW}$$

$$I = 80 \text{ mA}$$

$$U = 10.7 \dots 11.2 \text{ kV}$$

air / contact cooling



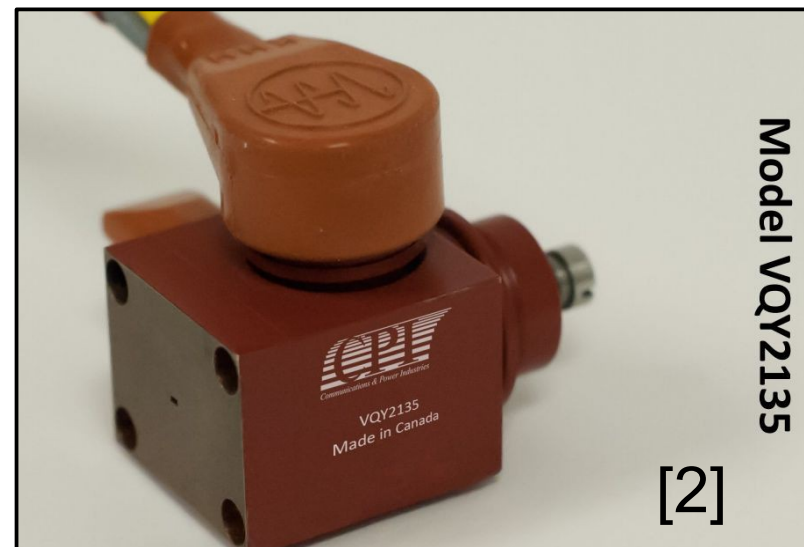
mm EIO

1 el. gun

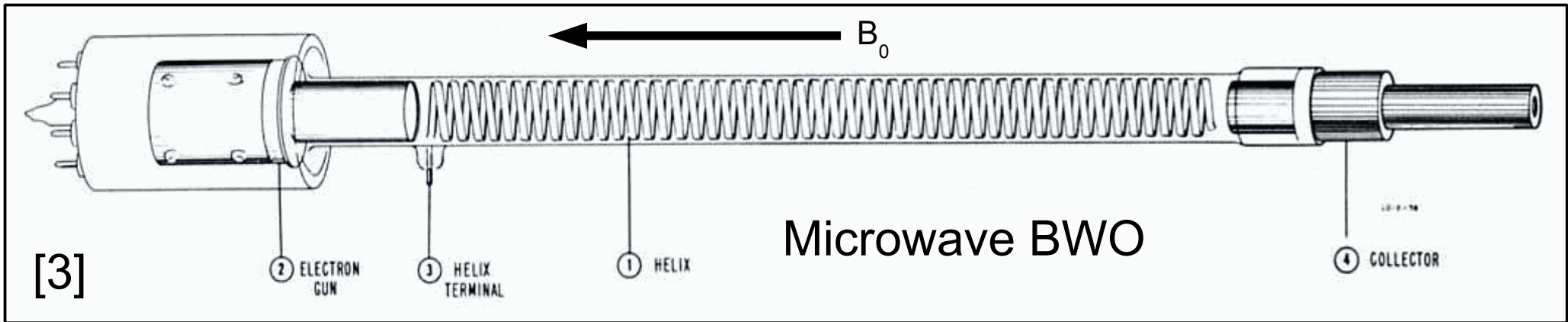
2 magnet

3 cavities

4 collector



3 - Extended Interaction Klystron / Oscillator (EIK / EIO)



Slow-wave vacuum tube

Wideband electronically tunable (voltage U)

Typical data:

$f = 258 \dots 375$ GHz

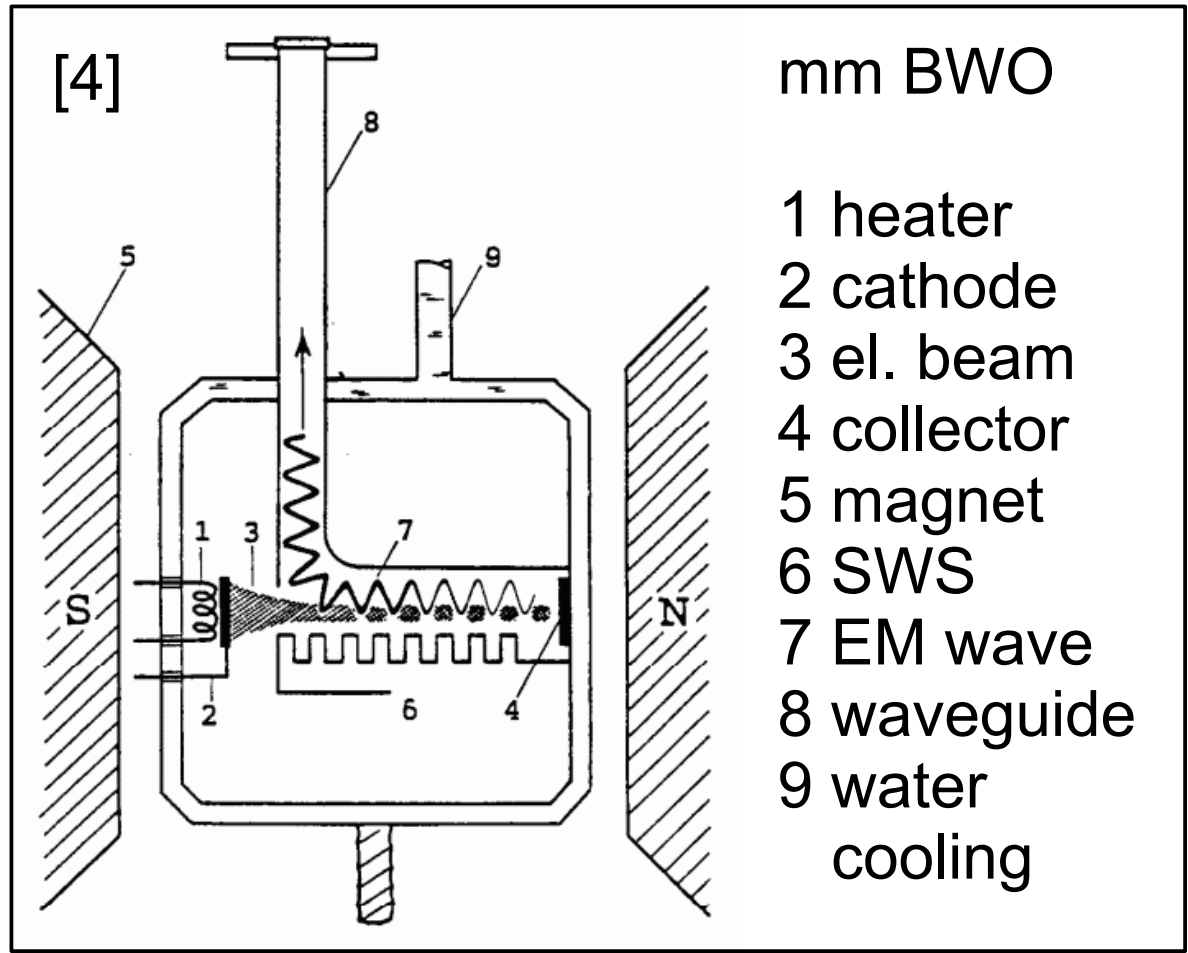
$P_{OUT} = 1 \dots 10$ mW

$I = 25 \dots 40$ mA

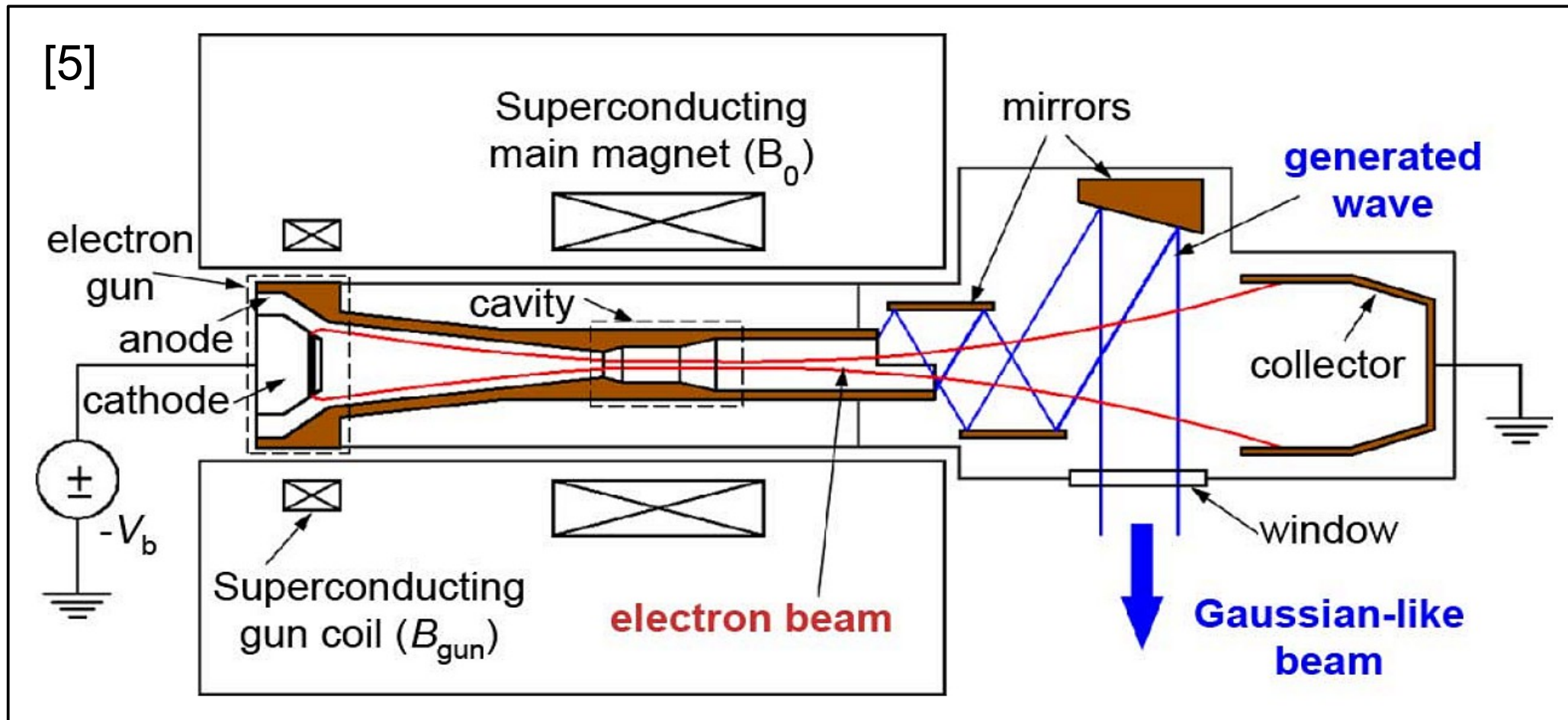
$U = 1 \dots 4$ kV

$B_0 = 0.7$ T

water cooling



4 - Backward-Wave Oscillator (BWO or Carcinotron)



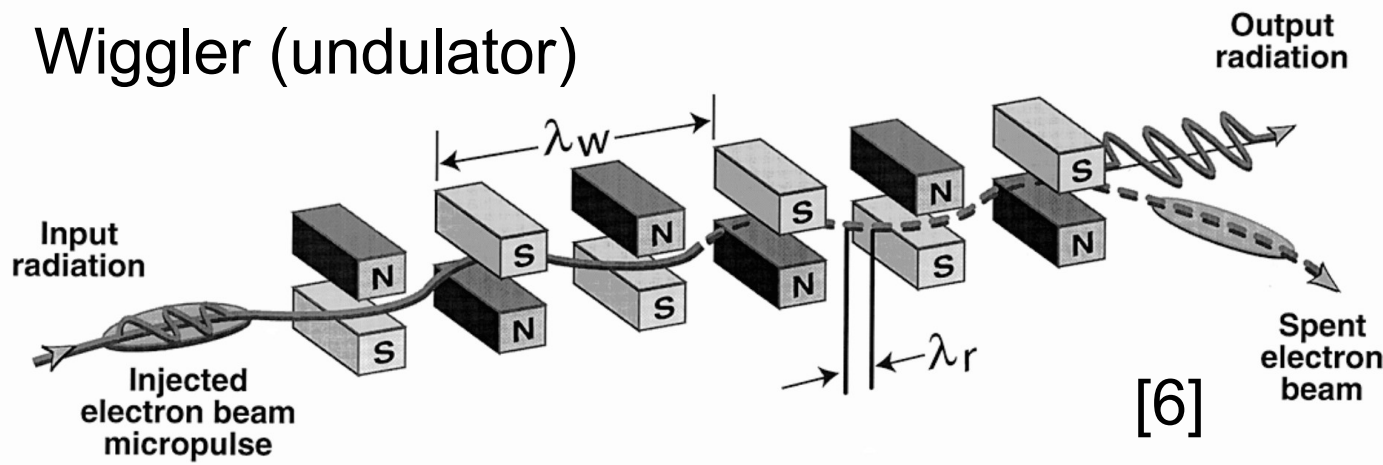
$$f = \frac{|Q_e| B_0}{2 \pi m_e}$$

$$B_0 \approx \frac{1 \text{ Tesla}}{28 \text{ GHz}} \cdot f$$

5 - Gyrotron

Fast-wave vacuum tube
 High power $P_{OUT} \approx 1 \text{ MW}$
 Wideband tunable (U & B_0)
 Generation of mm waves requires:
 1) superconducting magnets
 2) harmonic operation

Wiggler (undulator)

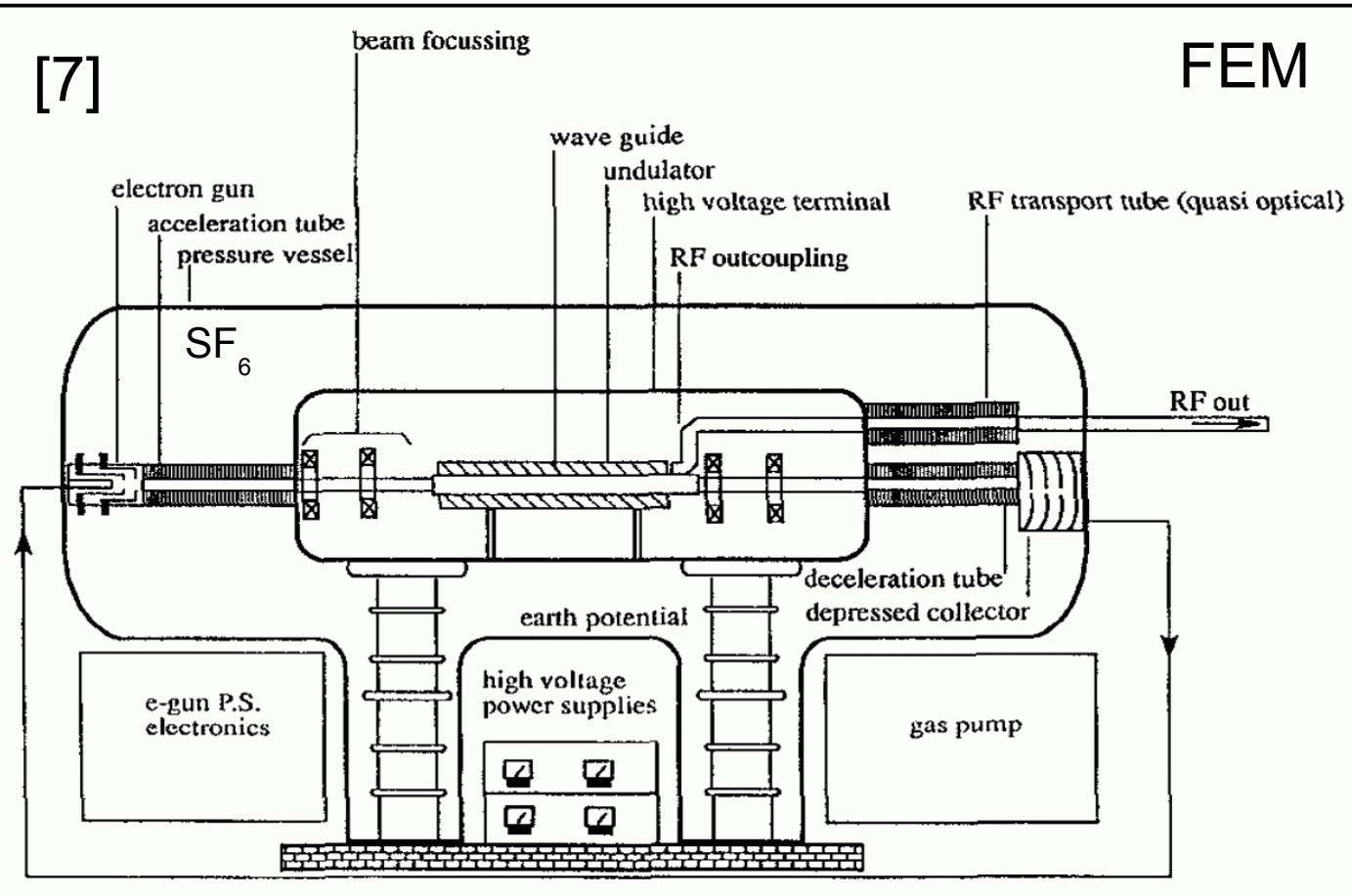


$$\lambda_r \approx \frac{\lambda_w}{2\gamma^2}$$

Lorentz

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2}}$$

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Fast-wave vacuum device

High power
 $P_{OUT} \approx 1 \text{ MW}$

Widely tunable (U)

Amplification of mm waves requires
 $U \approx 2...6 \text{ MV}$

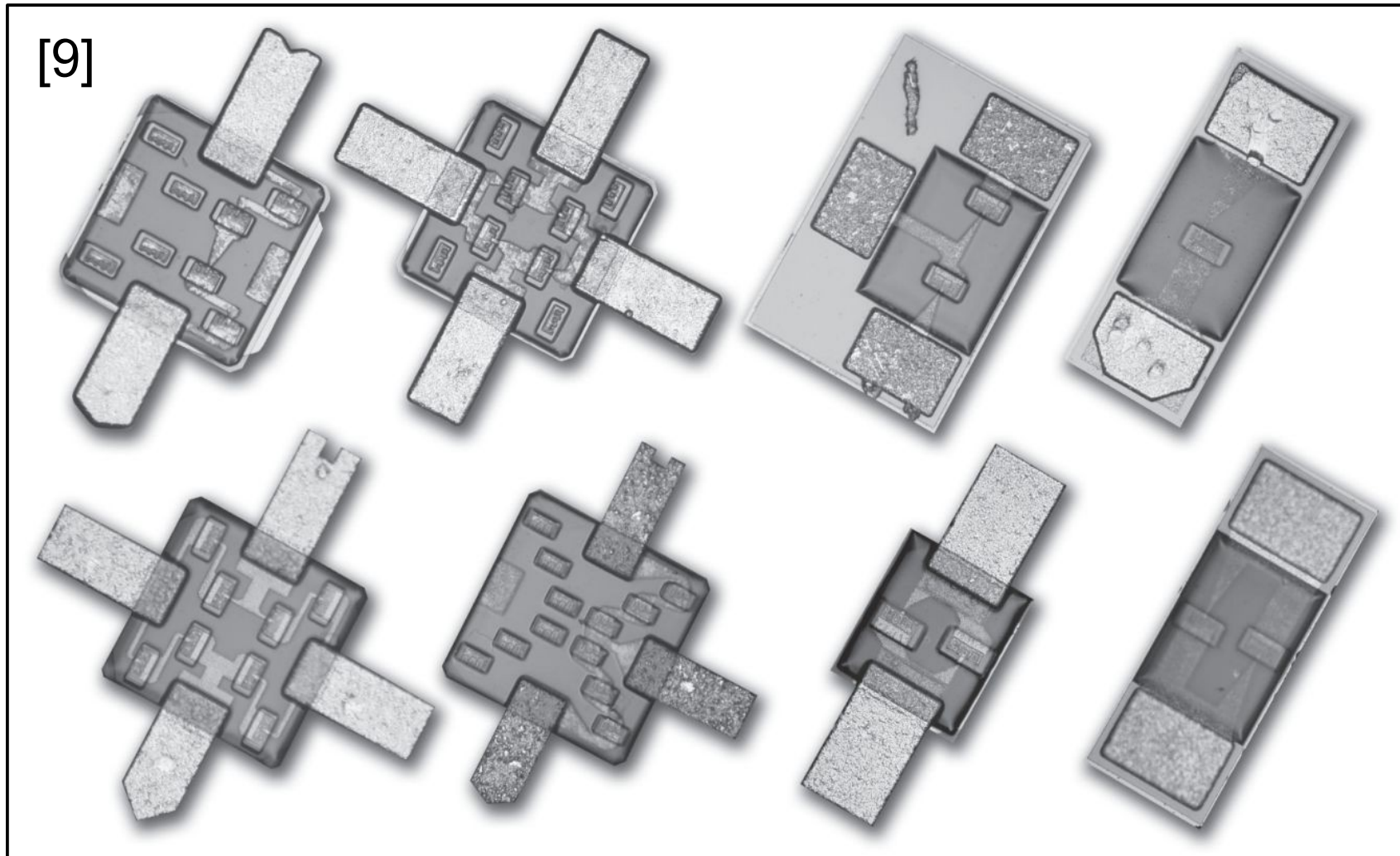
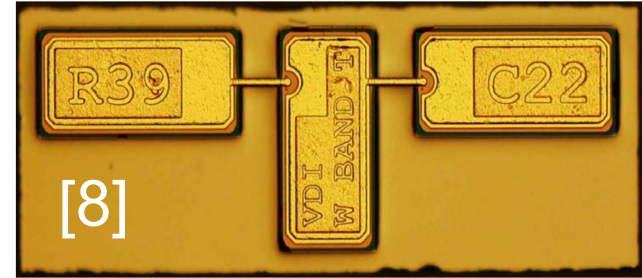
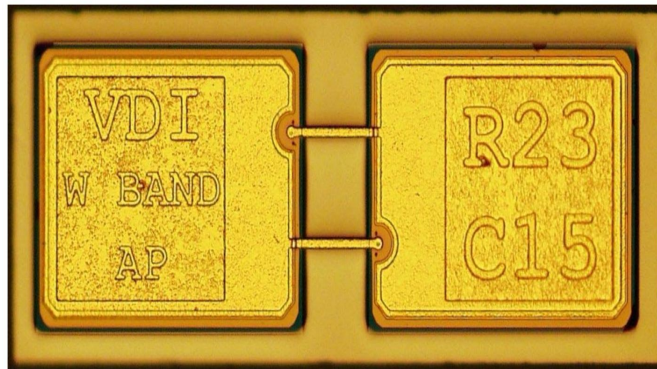
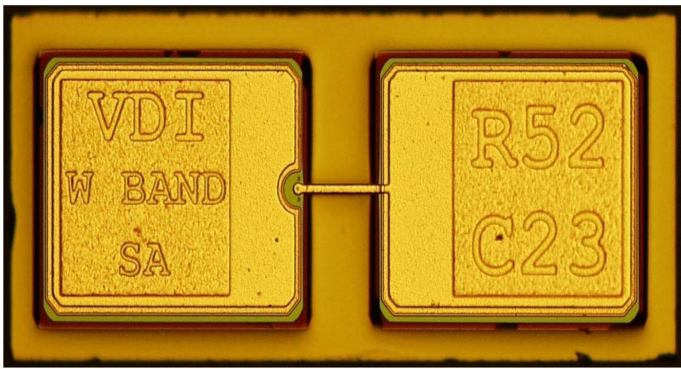
6 - Free-Electron Laser (FEL) or Maser (FEM)

Semiconductor	Bandgap ΔW [eV]	Dielectric strength E_{MAX} [V/cm]	Electron mobility μ_n [cm ² /Vs]	Hole mobility μ_p [cm ² /Vs]
PbS	0.37	(breakdown<2V)	600	200
Se	1.95	(breakdown<25V)	0.005	0.14
PbSe	0.27		900	700
PbTe	0.32		1700	930
Cu ₂ O	2.137	(breakdown<8V)	0.2	0.1
Si	1.11	$3 \cdot 10^5$	1400	450
Ge	0.67	10^5	3900	1900
Si _{1-x} Ge _x	0.67-1.11	$3 \cdot 10^5$		
SiO ₂	9	10^6 - 10^7		
Si ₃ N ₄	5.4	$3 \cdot 10^6$		
C (diamond)	5.5	10^6 - 10^7	2200	1800
3C-SiC	2.36	10^6	800	320
4H-SiC	3.23	$3 \cdot 10^6$ - $5 \cdot 10^6$	900	120
6H-SiC	3.05	$3 \cdot 10^6$ - $5 \cdot 10^6$	400	90
GaAs	1.43	$4 \cdot 10^5$	5000	400

7 - Electrical properties of semiconductors (1)

Semiconductor	Bandgap ΔW [eV]	Dielectric strength E_{MAX} [V/cm]	Electron mobility μ_n [cm ² /Vs]	Hole mobility μ_p [cm ² /Vs]
AlAs	2.16	$6 \cdot 10^5$	1200	420
Ga _{1-x} Al _x As	1.43-2.16	$4 \cdot 10^5$ - $6 \cdot 10^5$		
InP	1.344	$5 \cdot 10^5$	5400	200
GaP	2.26	10^6	250	150
GaSb	0.726	50000	3000	1000
InAs	0.354	40000	40000	400
InSb	0.17	1000	77000	850
GaN	3.4	$5 \cdot 10^6$	1800	30
AlN	6.28	$1.2 \cdot 10^6$ - $1.8 \cdot 10^6$	300	14
InN	0.65		3200	
BN	5.4	$3 \cdot 10^6$ - $6 \cdot 10^6$	200	500
CdS	2.42		400	
CdSe	1.74		650	
CdTe	1.44		1100	100
Hg _{1-x} Cd _x Te	0-1.5			

8 - Electrical properties of semiconductors (2)



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$U_F \approx 0.7V$
 $@I_F = 1mA$

$U_R \approx 5V \dots$
 $\dots 10V$

$C_J \approx 0.04pF$

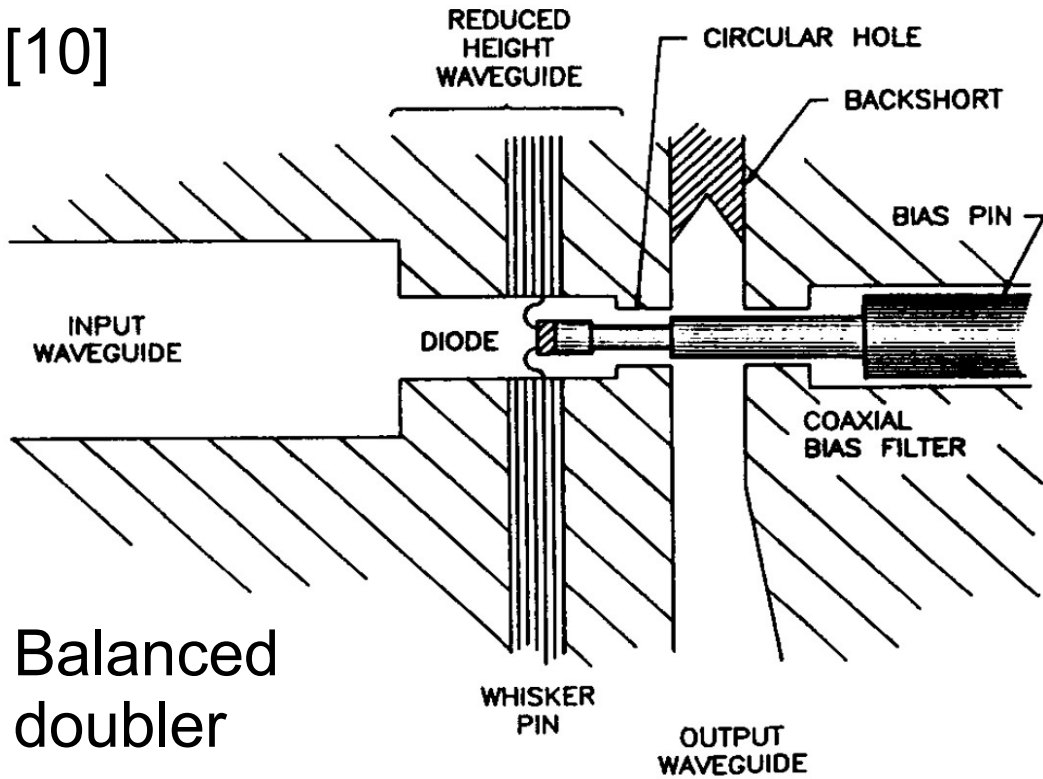
$R_S \approx 5\Omega$

$\eta \approx 10\%$ (2f)

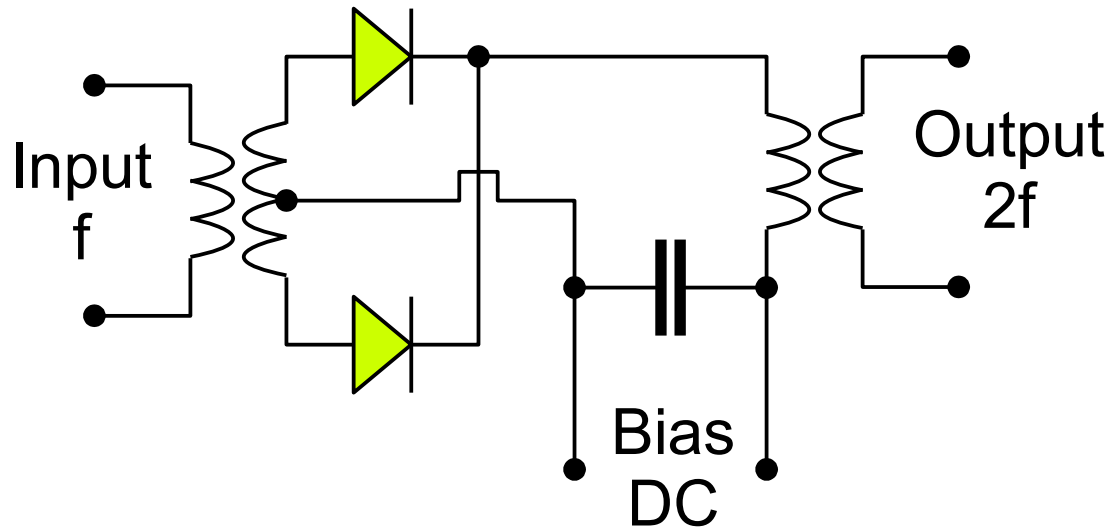
$\eta \approx 3\%$ (3f)

9 - GaAs flip-chip and beam-lead Schottky diodes

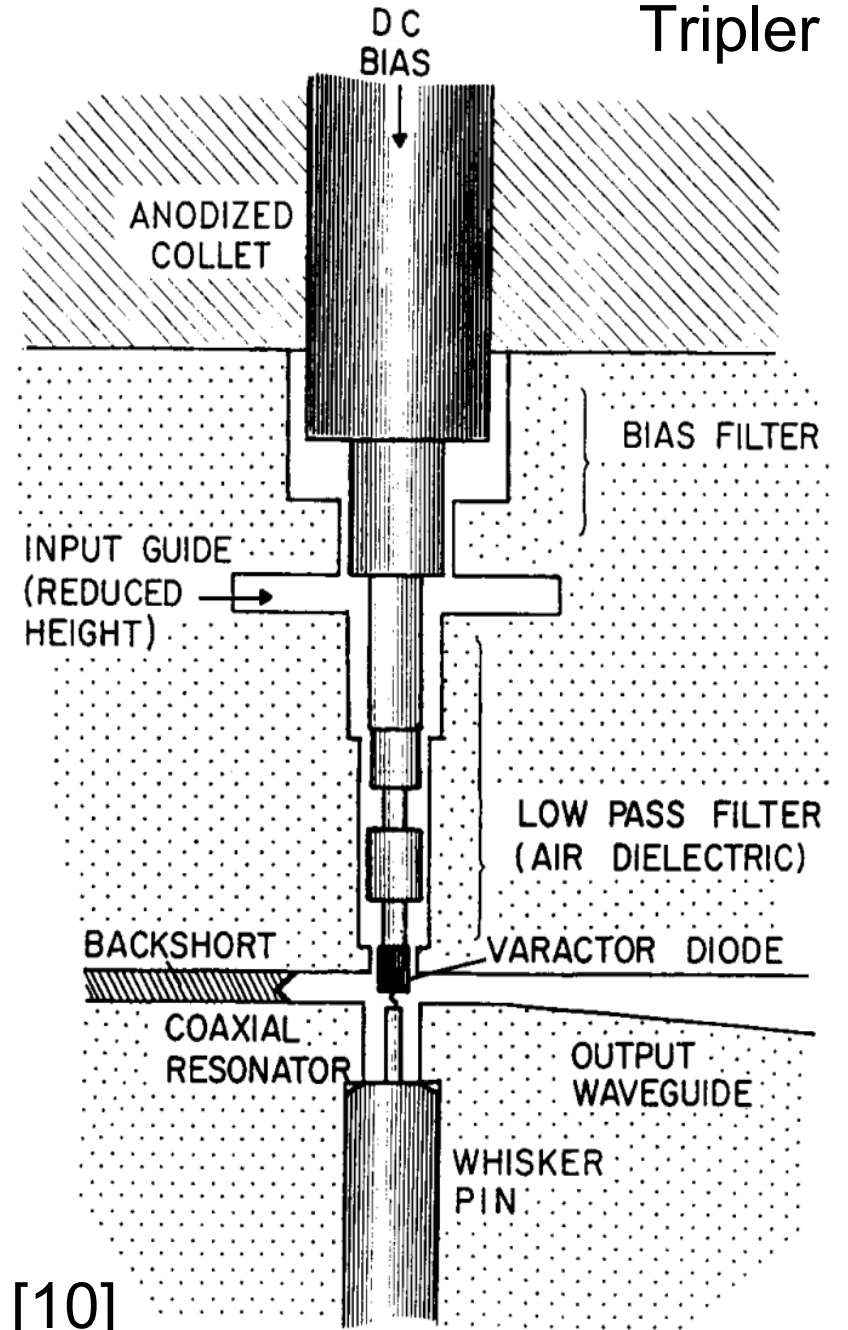
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Balanced doubler

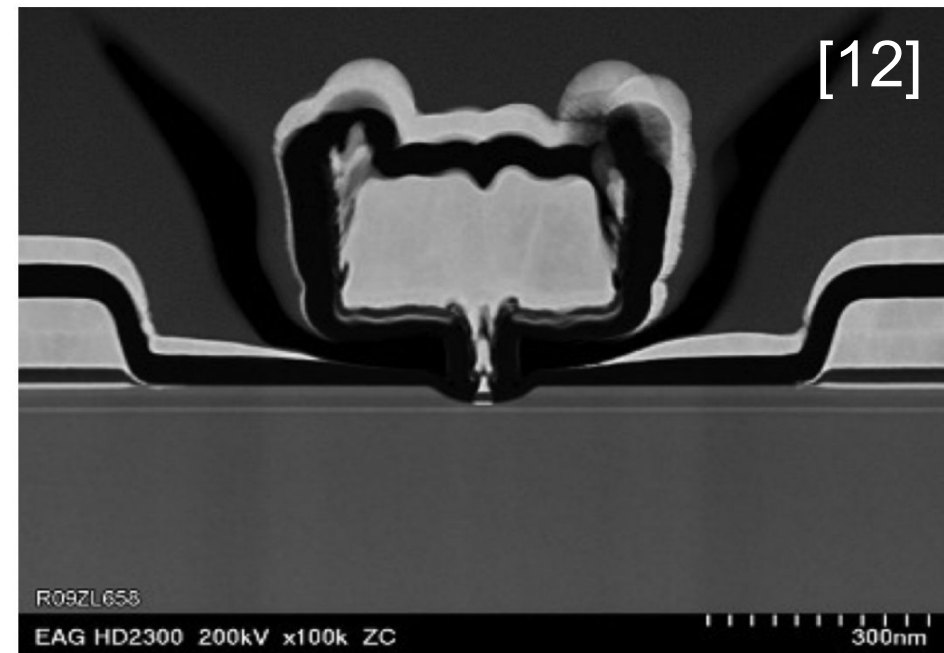
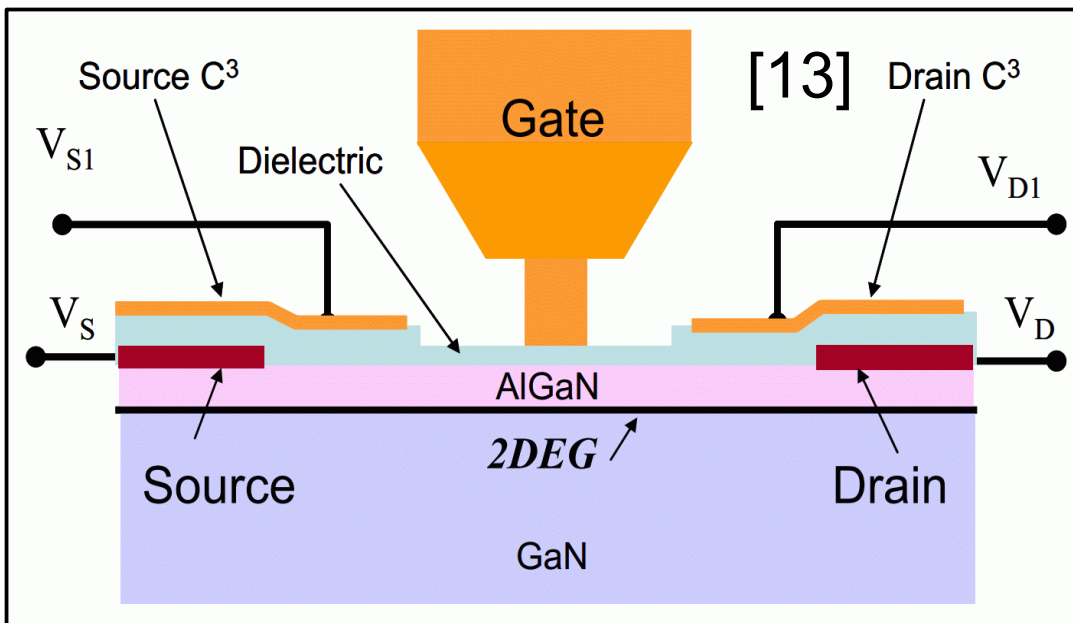
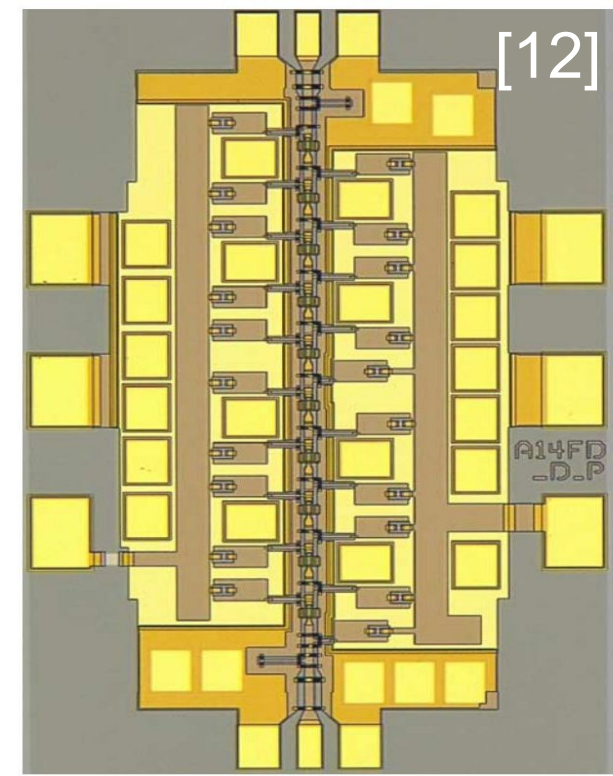
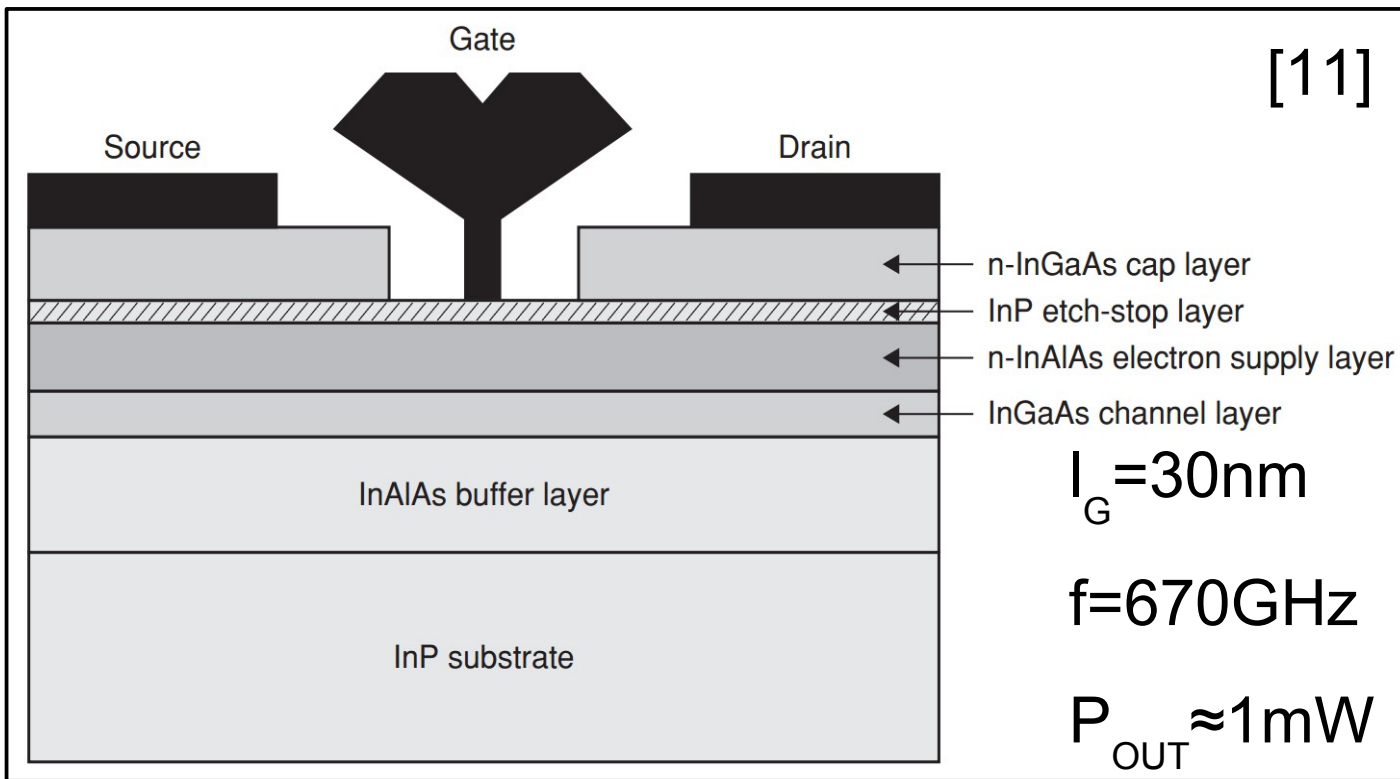


Tripler



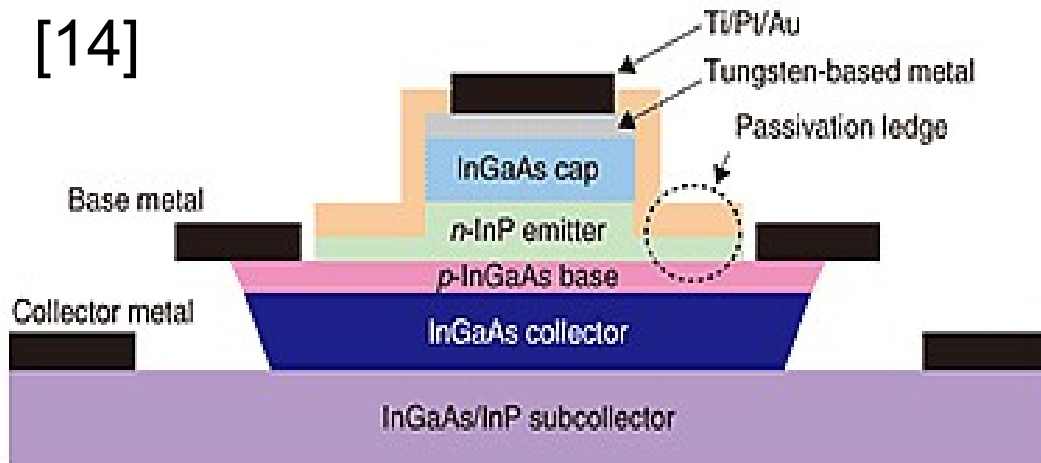
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10 - Millimeter frequency doublers and triplers

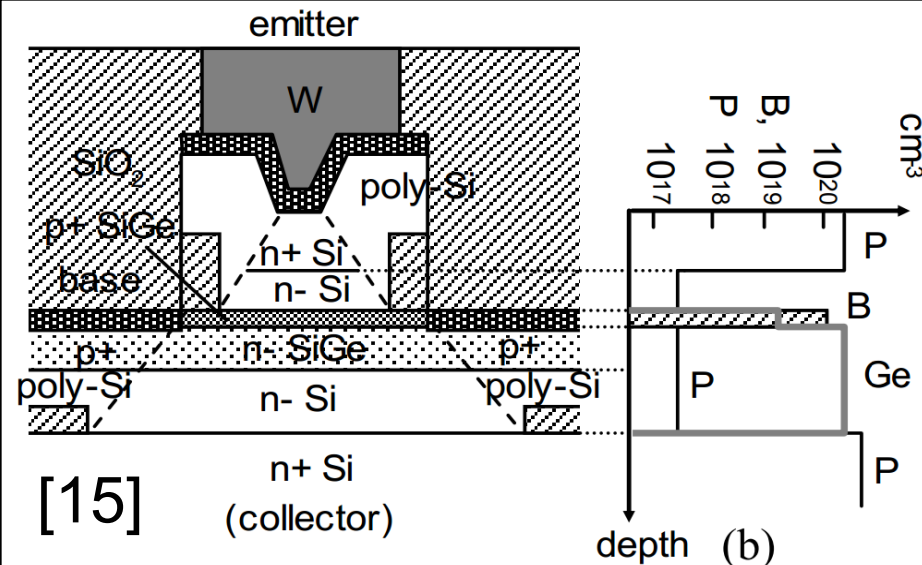


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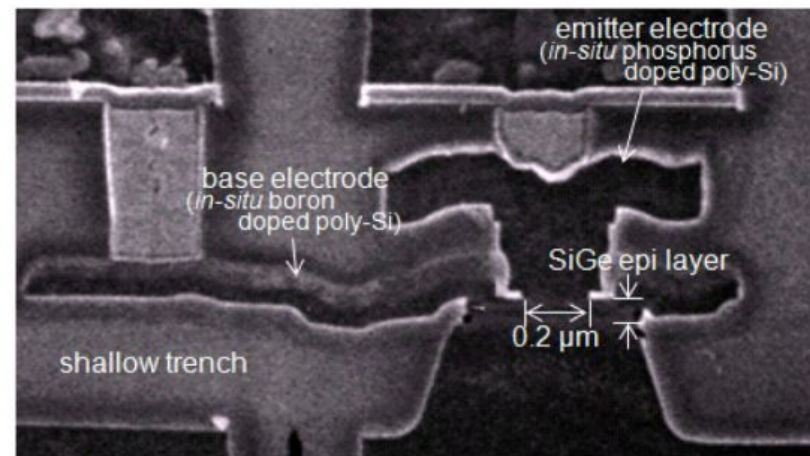
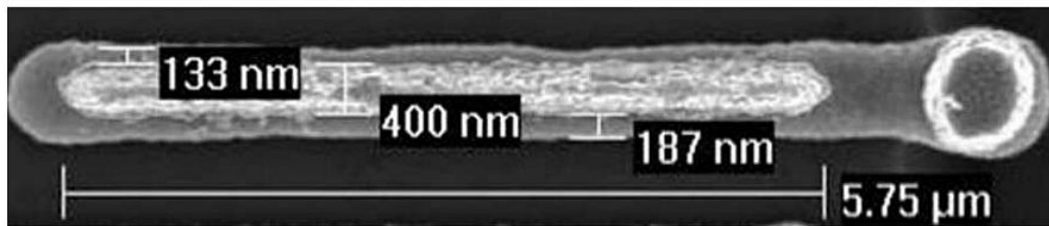
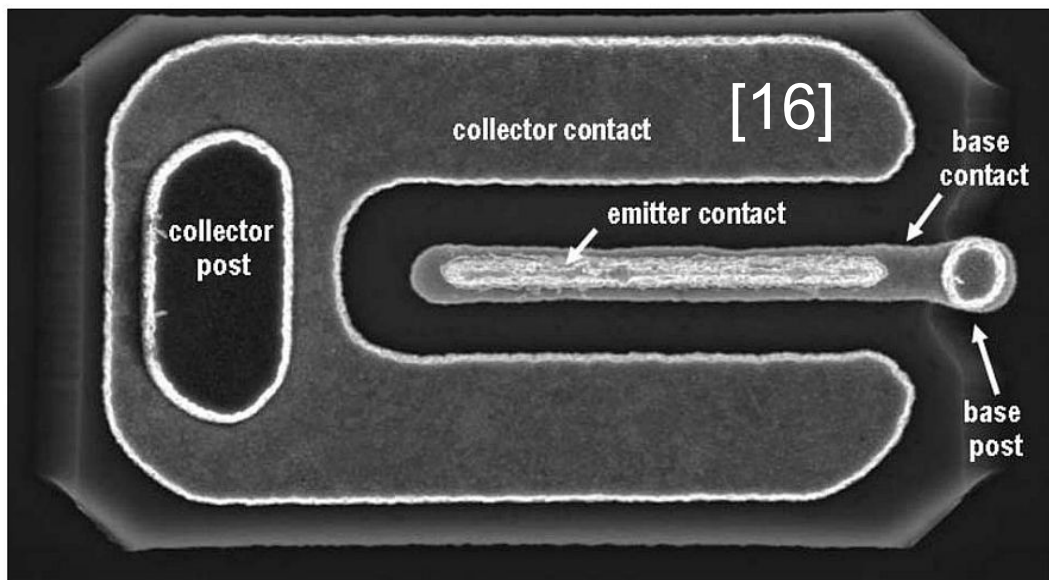
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InP HBT

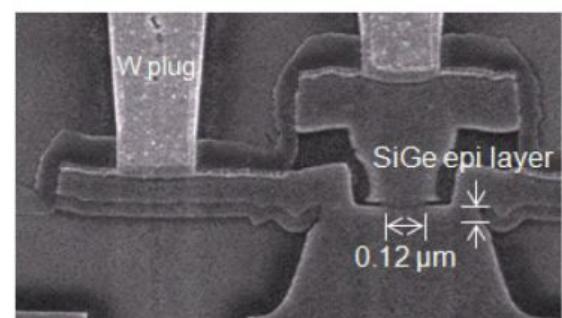


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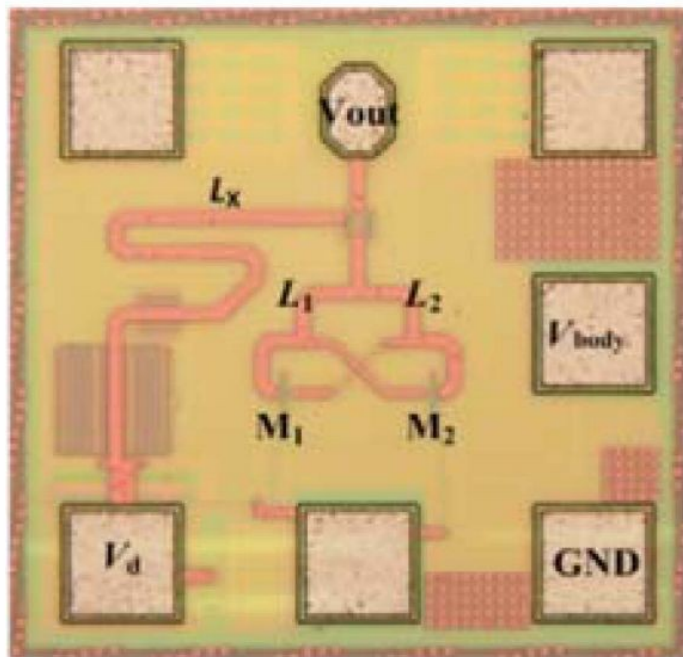
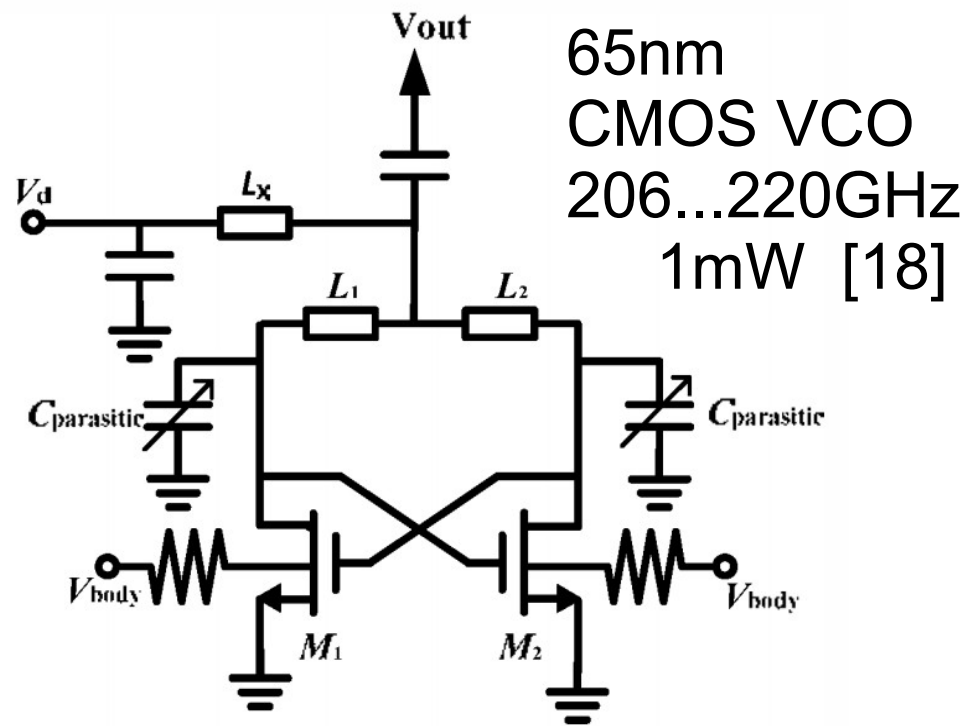


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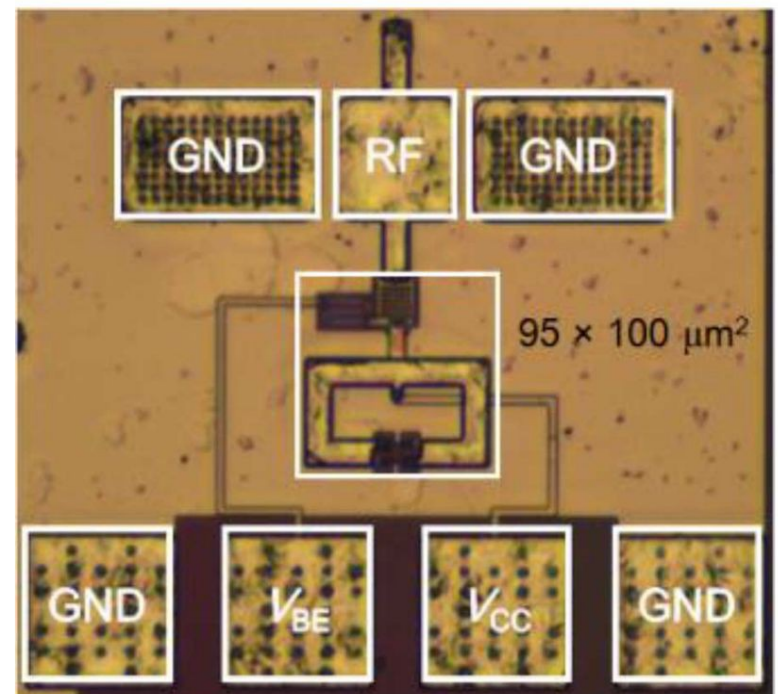
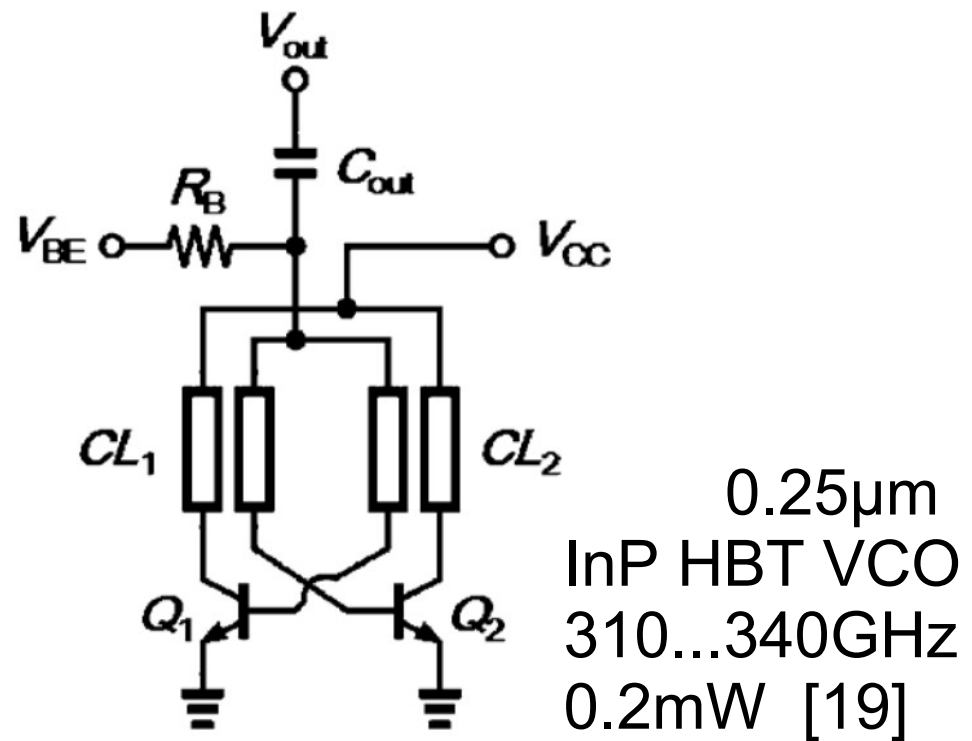
SiGe HBT



12 - InP / SiGe Heterostructure Bipolar Transistor (HBT)



13 - Push-push oscillator / doubler



14 - Push-push oscillator / doubler