

# RF to DC Converter for Wireless Power Transfer Systems



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# Project Application

- Near-field wireless power transfer systems currently in use
- Industry working towards far-field wireless power transfer systems

# Project Overview

- Convert radio frequency (RF) signal to direct current (DC) power
- Functions in the FCC regulated ISM band that includes 5.8GHz
- Output will be DC with minimal ripple
- Maximize efficiency
- Minimize size

# Literature Review

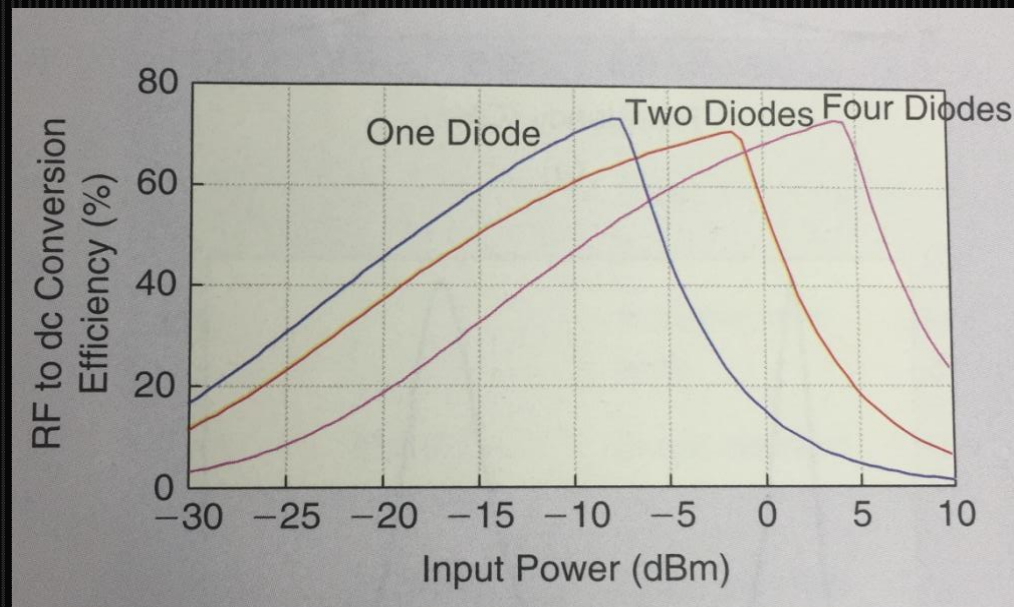


Fig 1. Efficiency of Full-Wave Rectifiers vs Input Power [1]

# Literature Review

## Diode Configuration

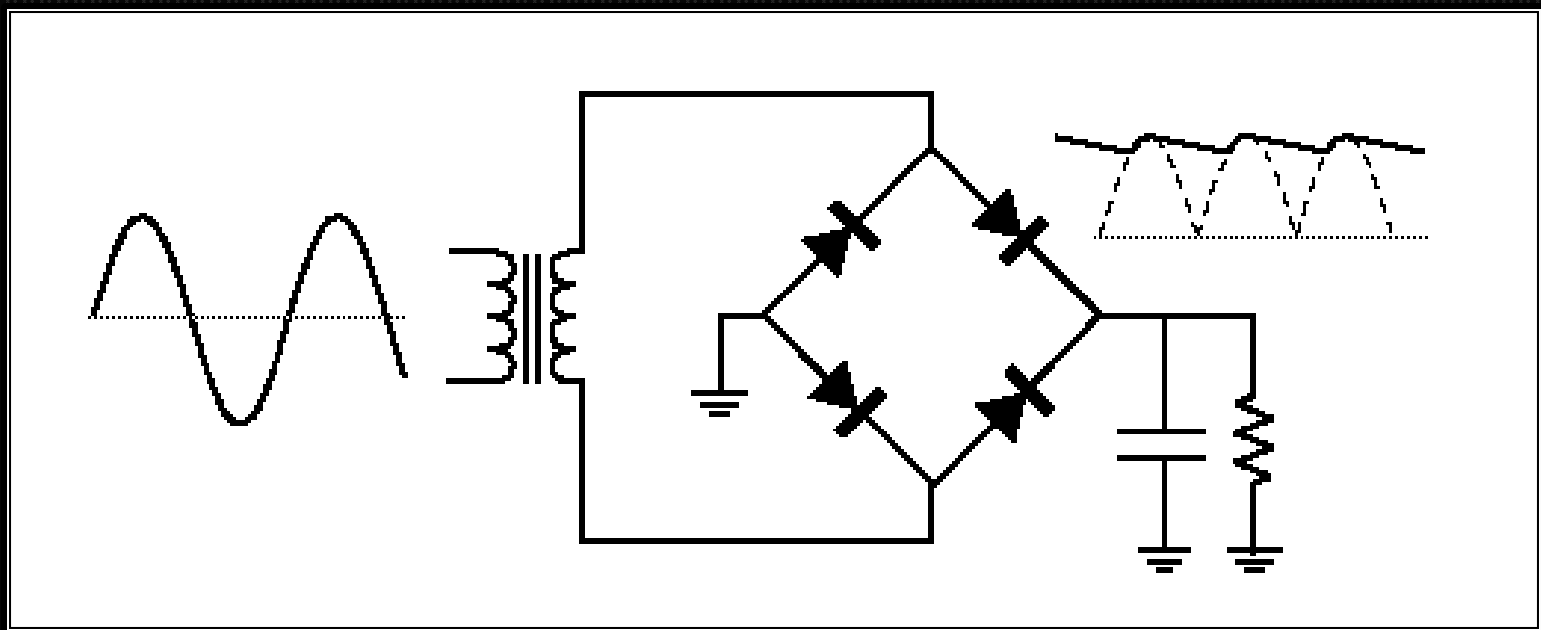


Fig 2. Four Diode full-wave rectifier

# Literature Review

## Diode Configuration

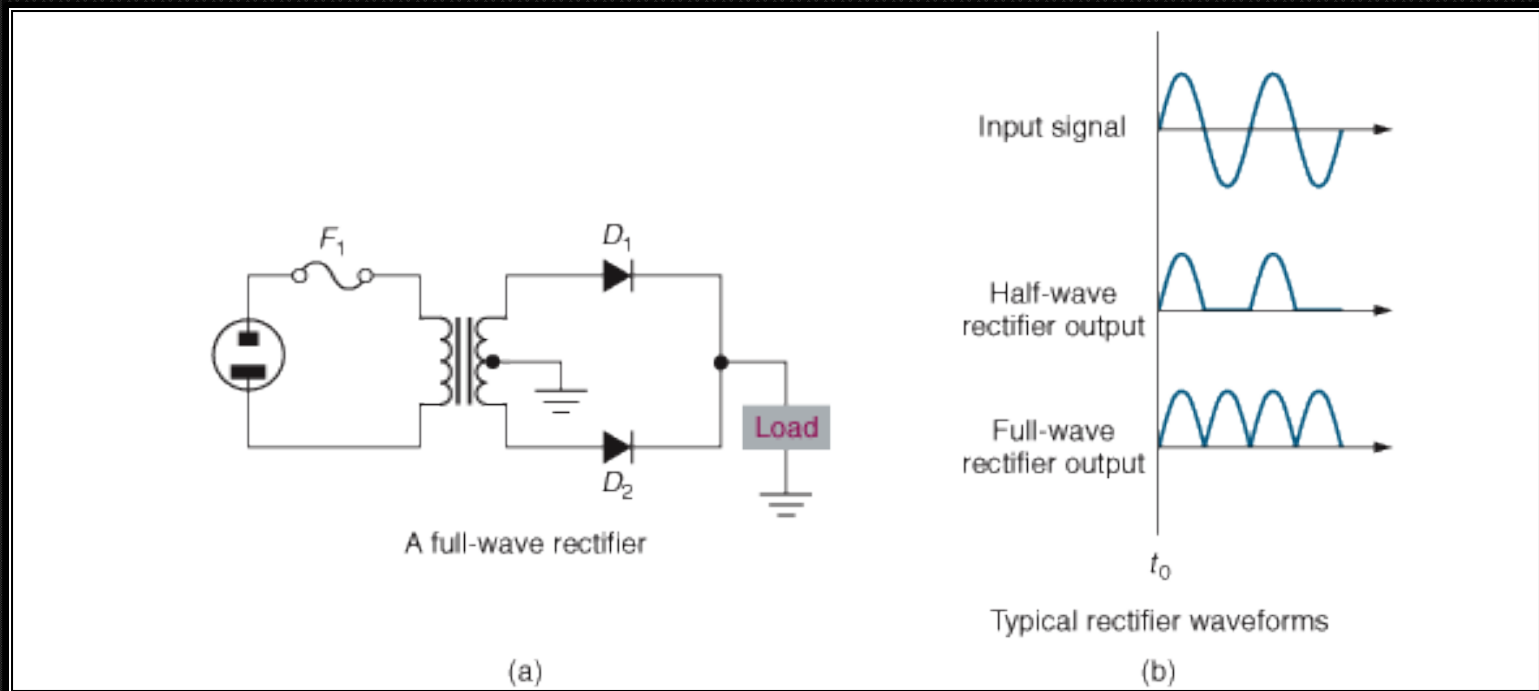


Fig 3. Two Diode full-wave rectifier

# Literature Review

- Not new concept
- High gain antennas
- Efficiency expectations



# Block Diagram

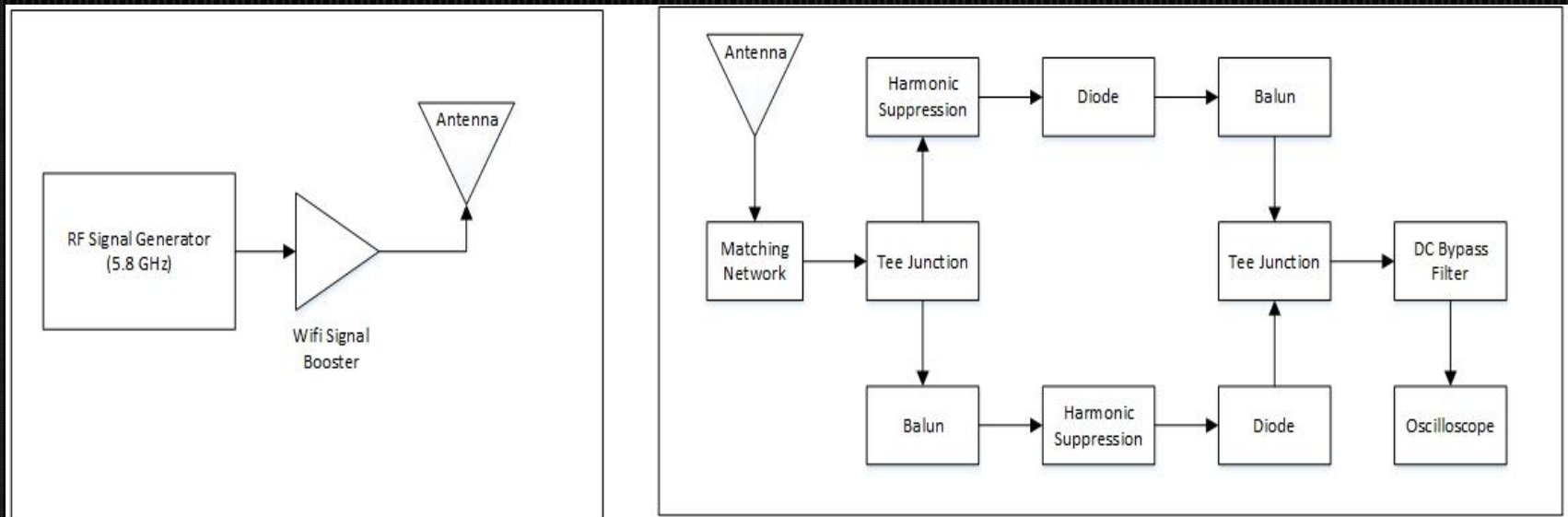


Fig 4. System Block Diagram

# Design – Physical System

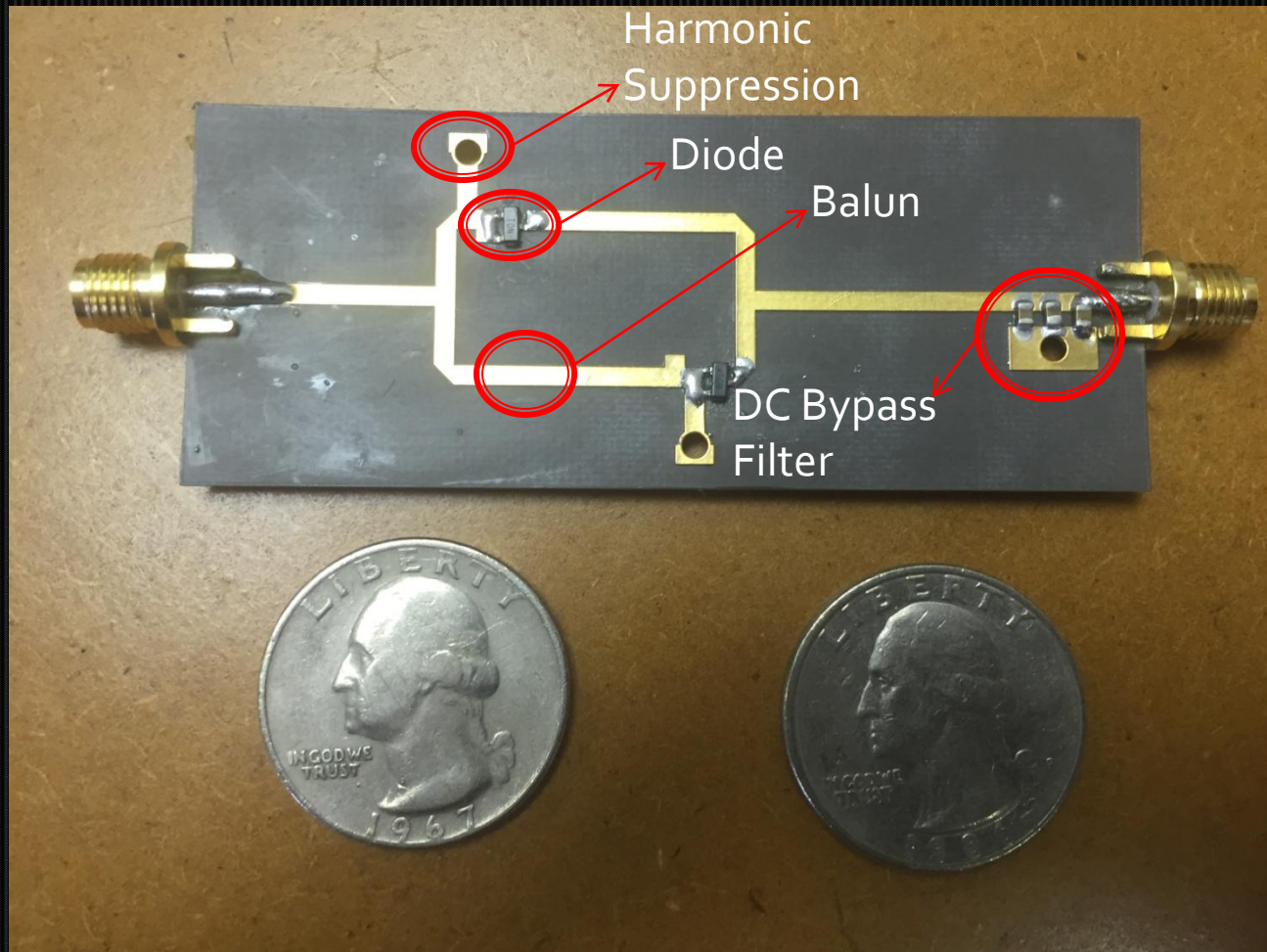


Fig 5. RF to DC converter

# Design – ADS Schematic

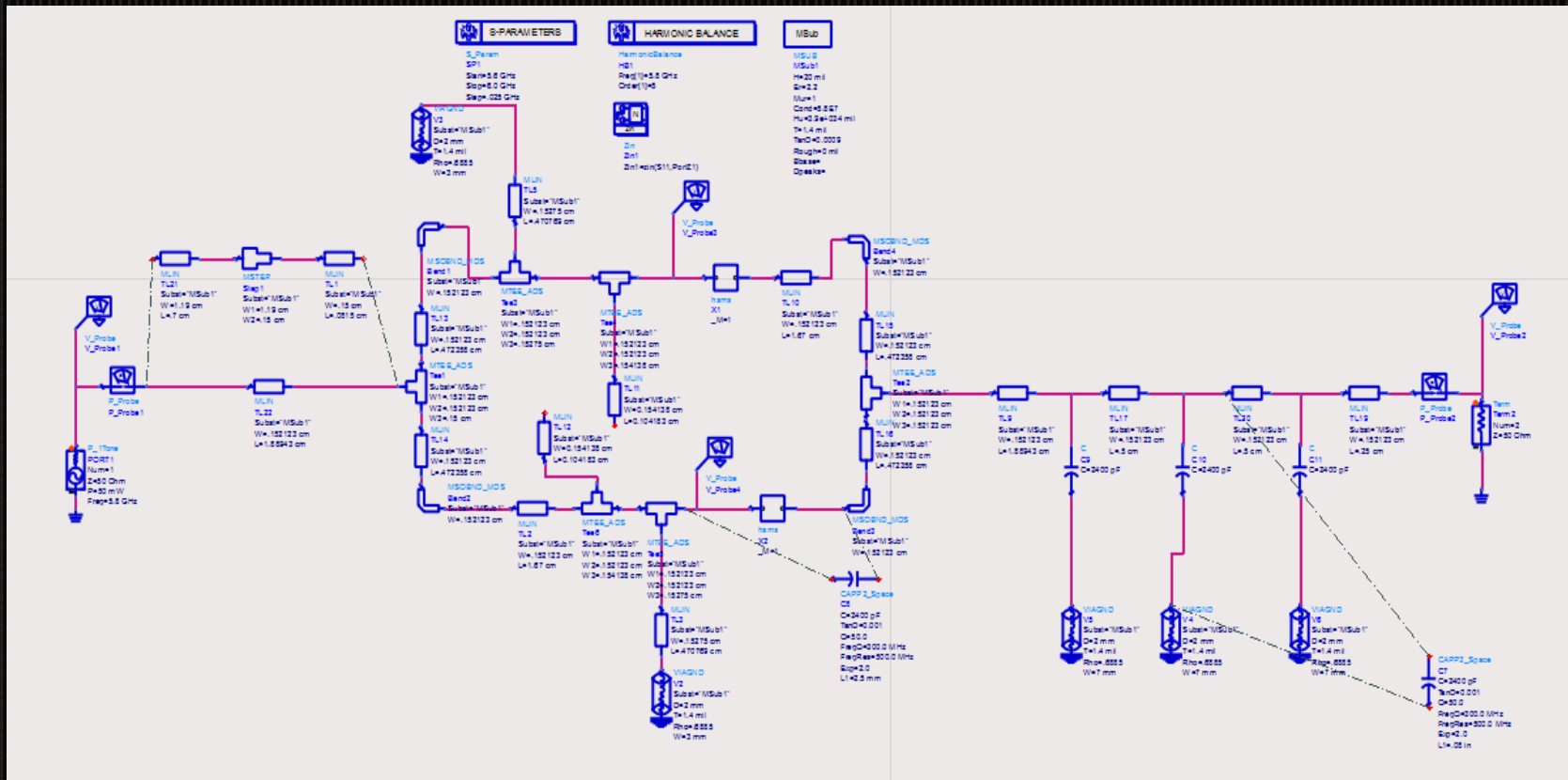


Fig 6. ADS Schematic Design of RF to DC Converter

# Design – Matching Network

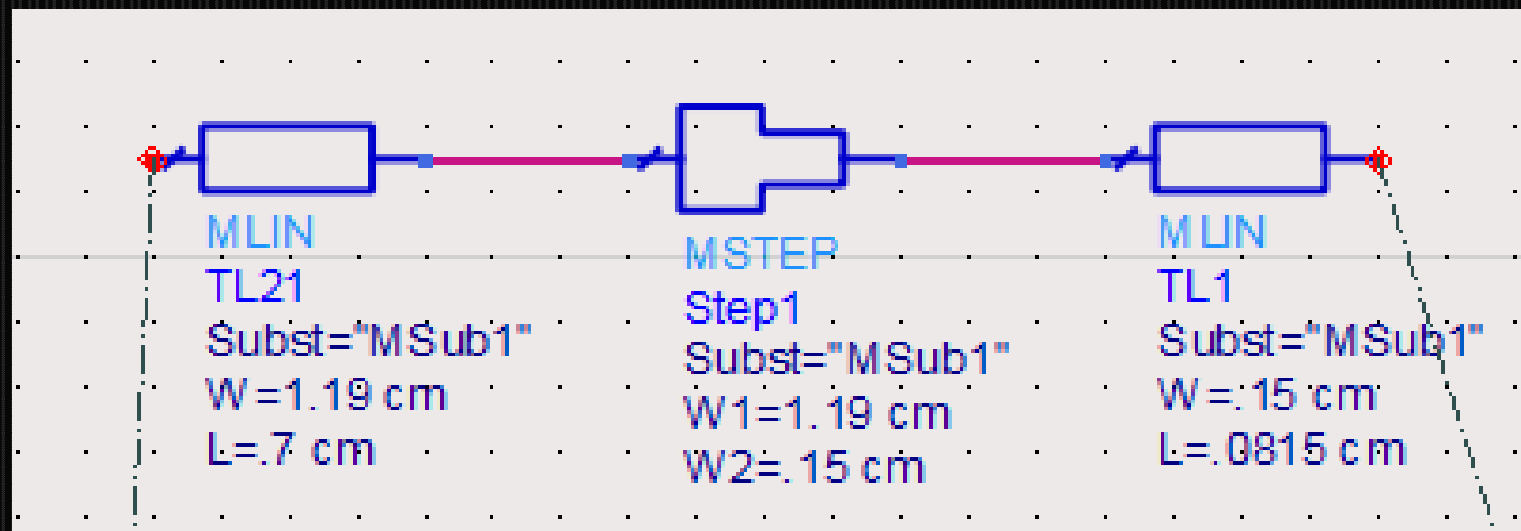


Fig 7. ADS Schematic Design of Impedance Matching Network

# Design - Harmonic Suppression

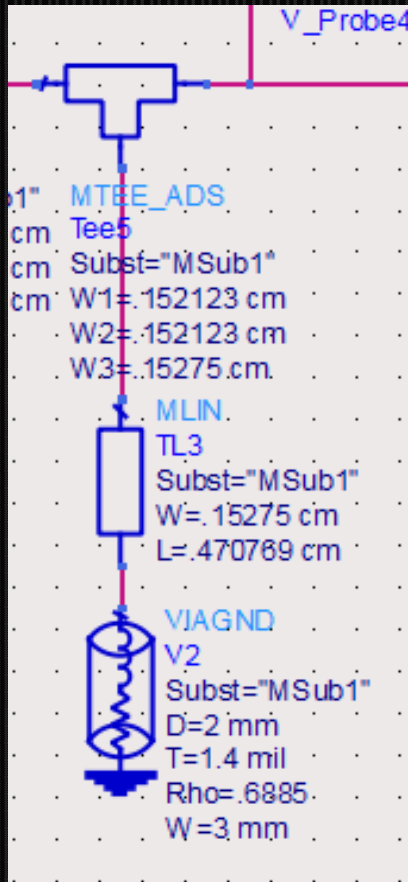


Fig 8. Second Order Harmonic Suppression

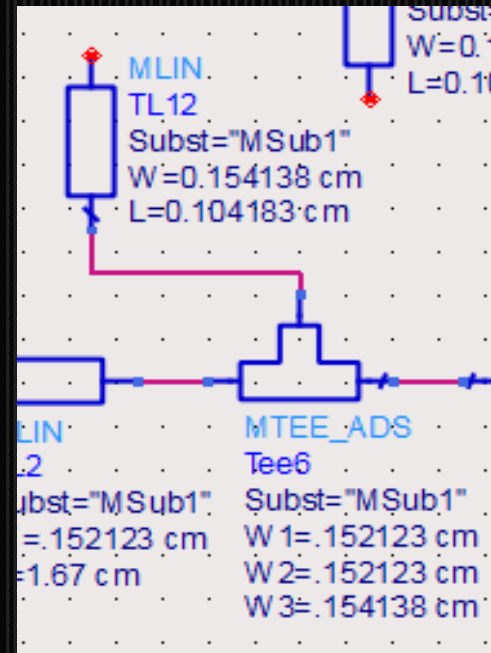
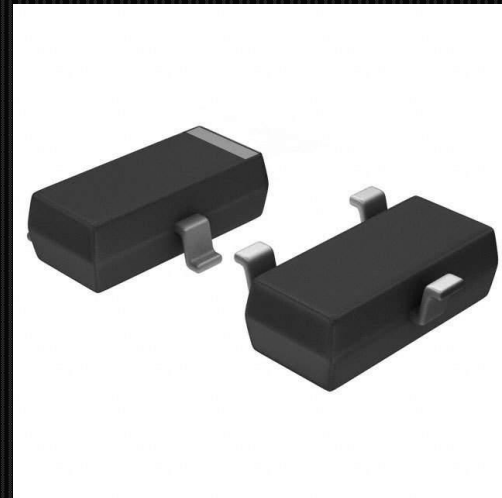


Fig 9. Third Order Harmonic Suppression

# Design – Diode

- HSMS-2860 Schotky detector diode
- Discovered in research
- Pspice file
- Worked perfectly



# Design - Balun

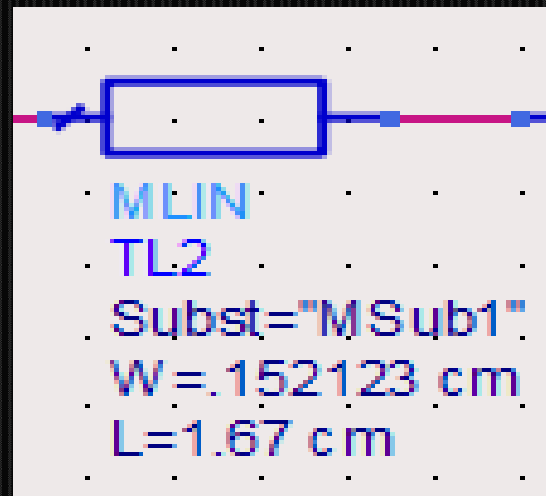


Fig 10. ADS Schematic Design of Balun

# Design – DC Bypass Filter

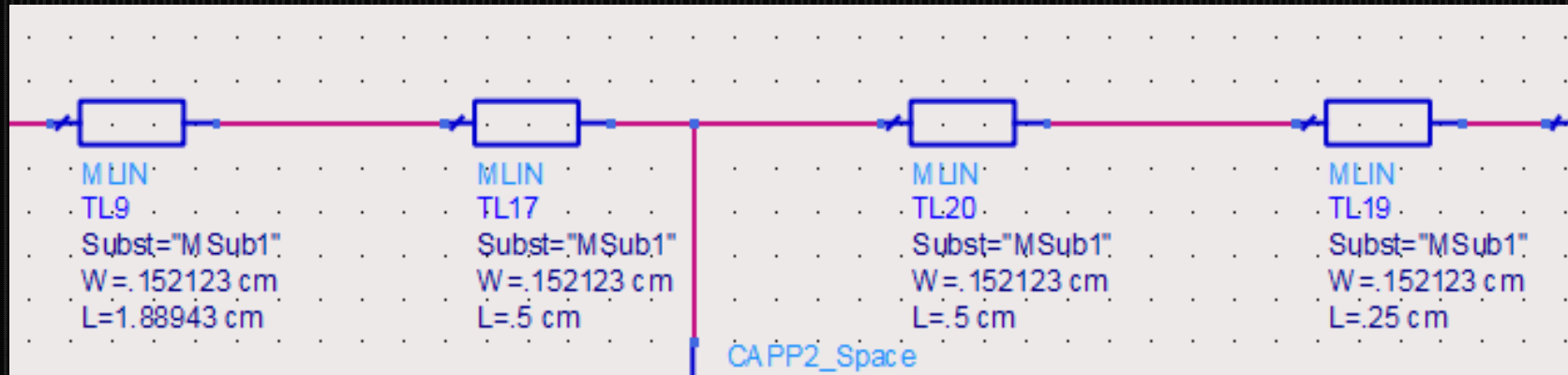


Fig 11. ADS Design of Output Microstrip Spacing



# Design - Discontinuities

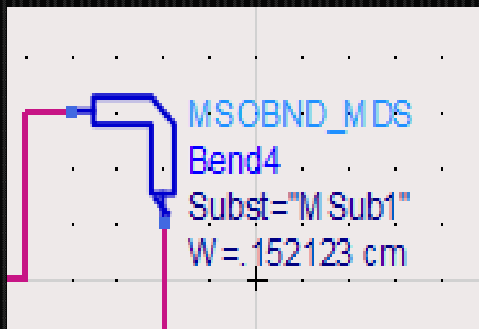


Fig 12. Schematic Bend

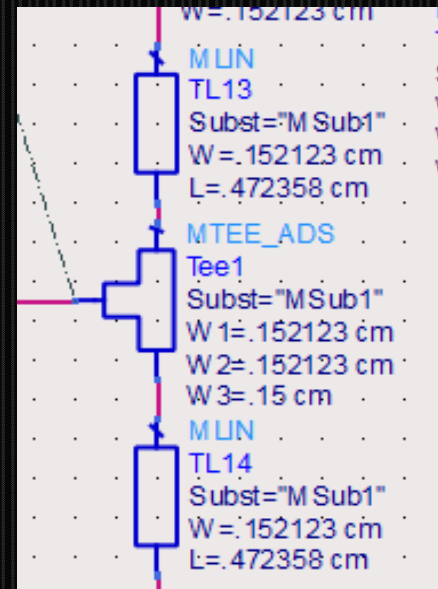


Fig 13. Schematic Tee Junction

# Simulation Results - Unmatched

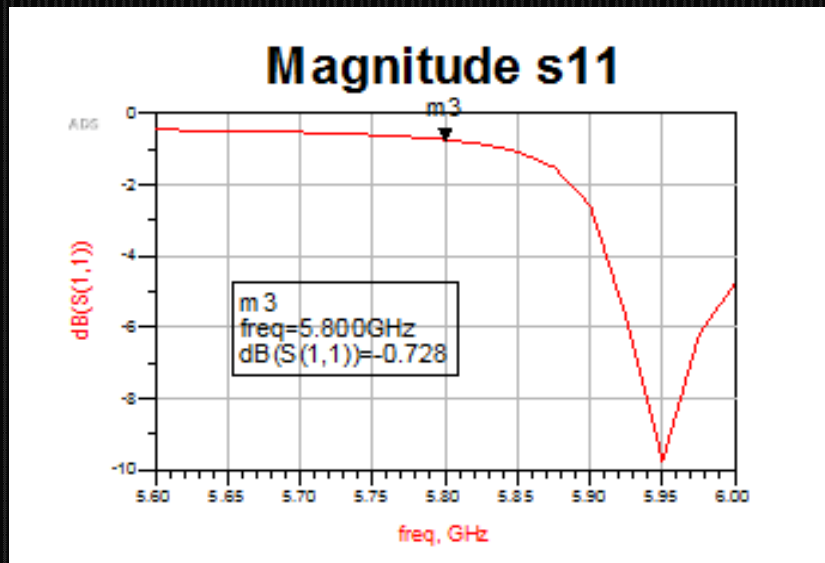


Fig 14. Reflection Coefficient

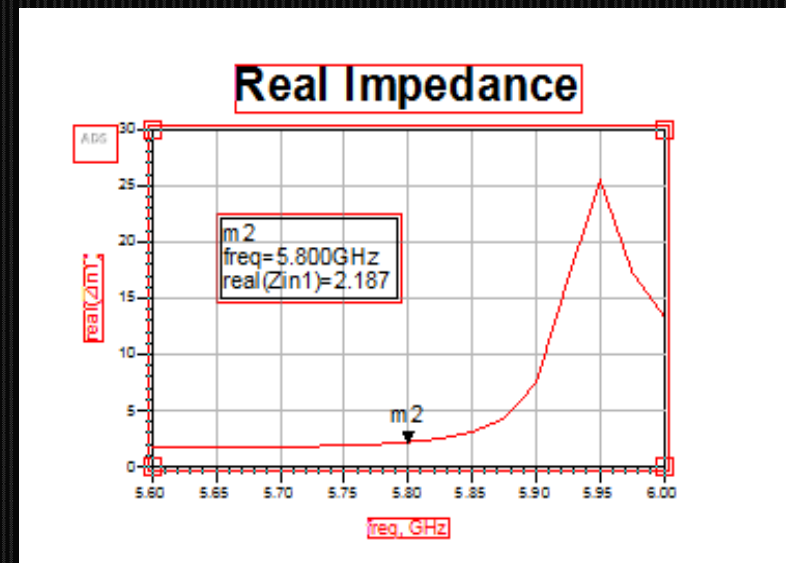


Fig 15. Real Impedance

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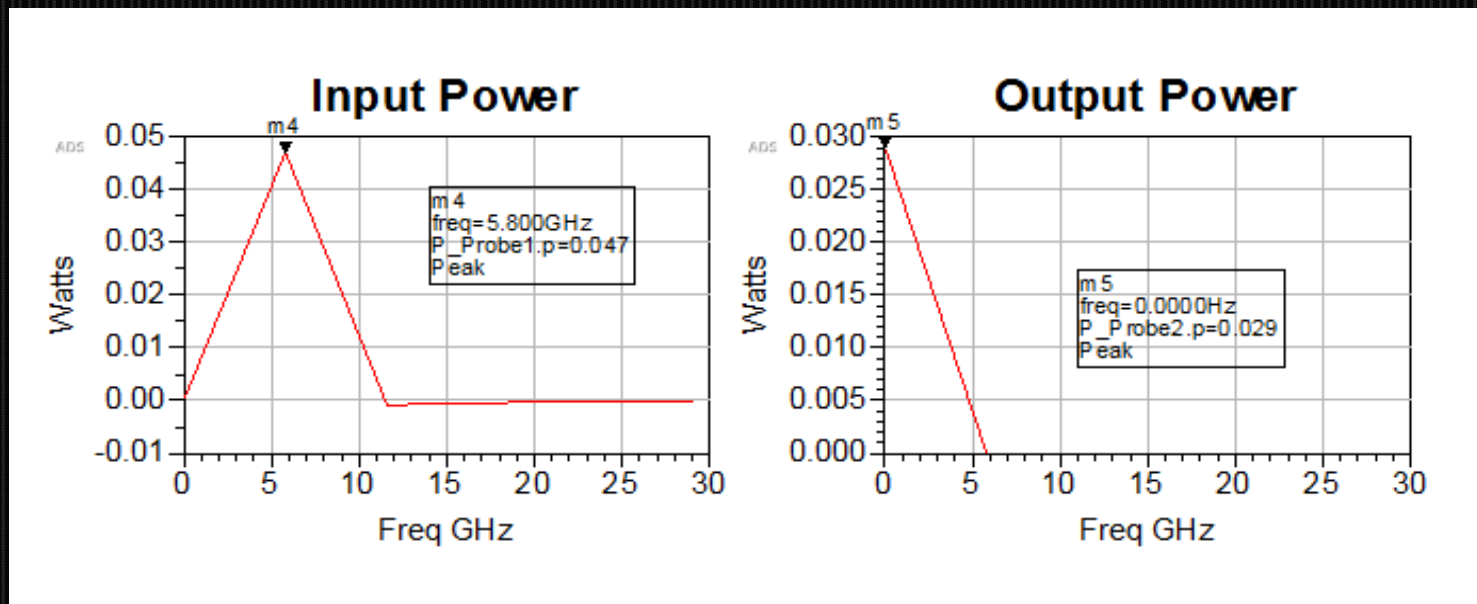


Fig 16. Efficiency of System in ADS Simulation

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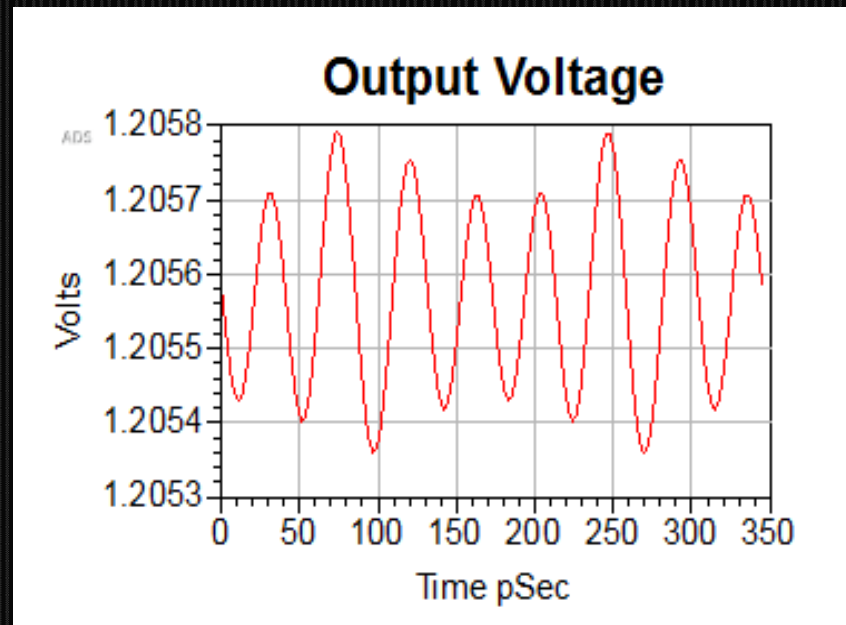


Fig 17. Simulated Output Voltage Waveform

# Simulation Results - Matched

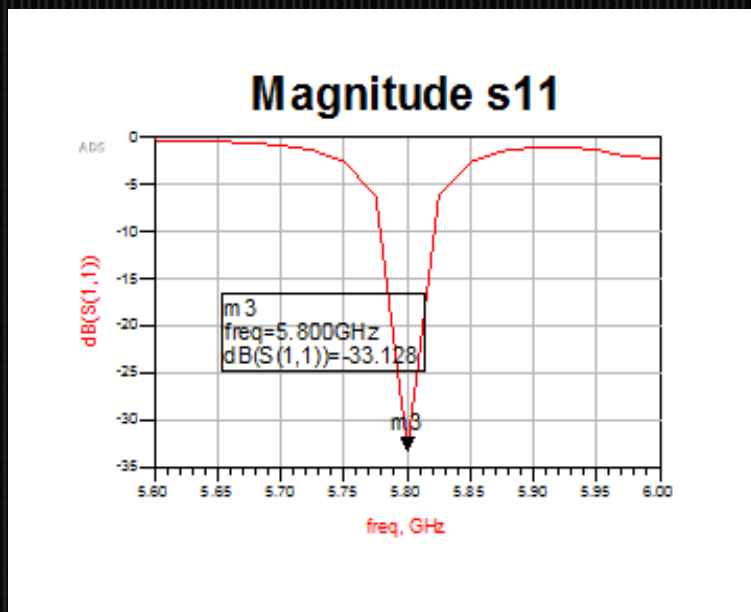


Fig 18. Reflection Coefficient

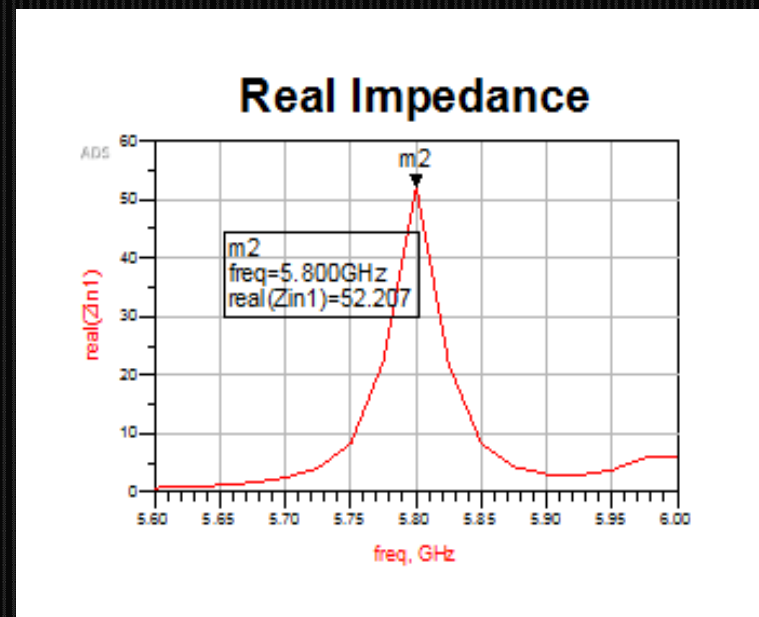


Fig 19. Real Impedance

# Simulation Results - Matched

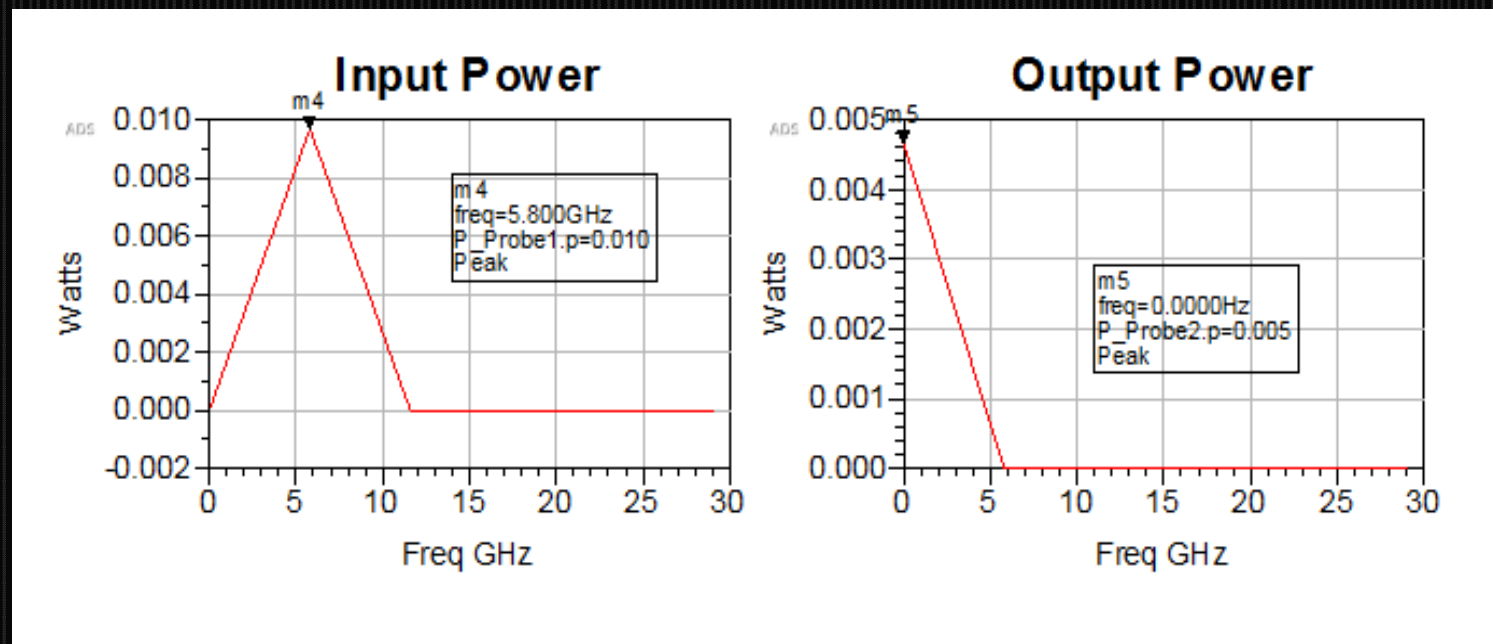


Fig 20. Efficiency of System in ADS Simulation

# Simulation Results - Matched

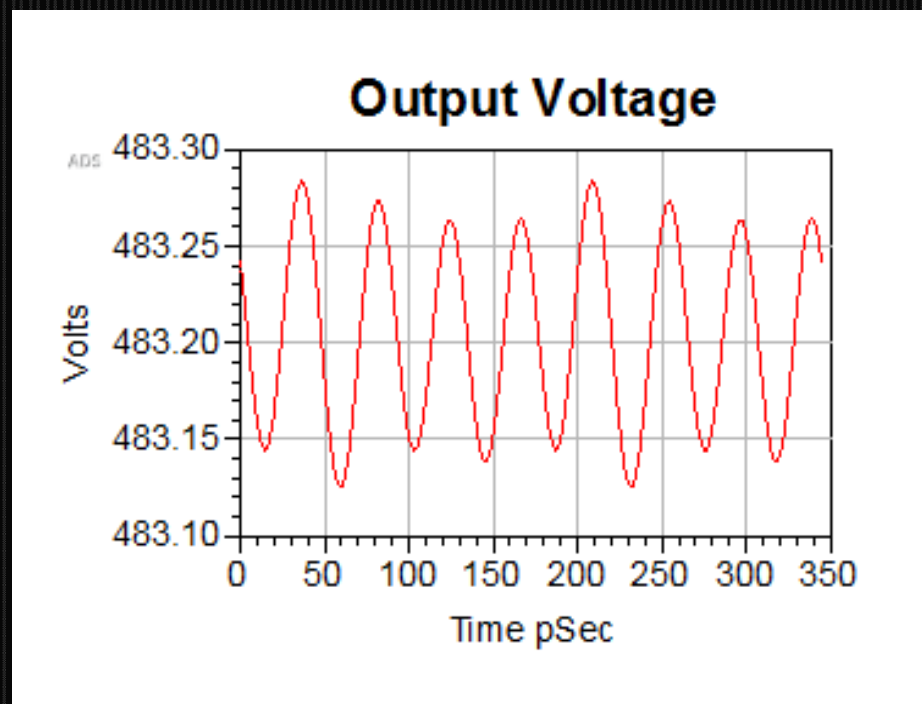


Fig 21. Output Voltage Waveform of ADS Simulations (Scale in mV)

# Testing Results – Time Domain

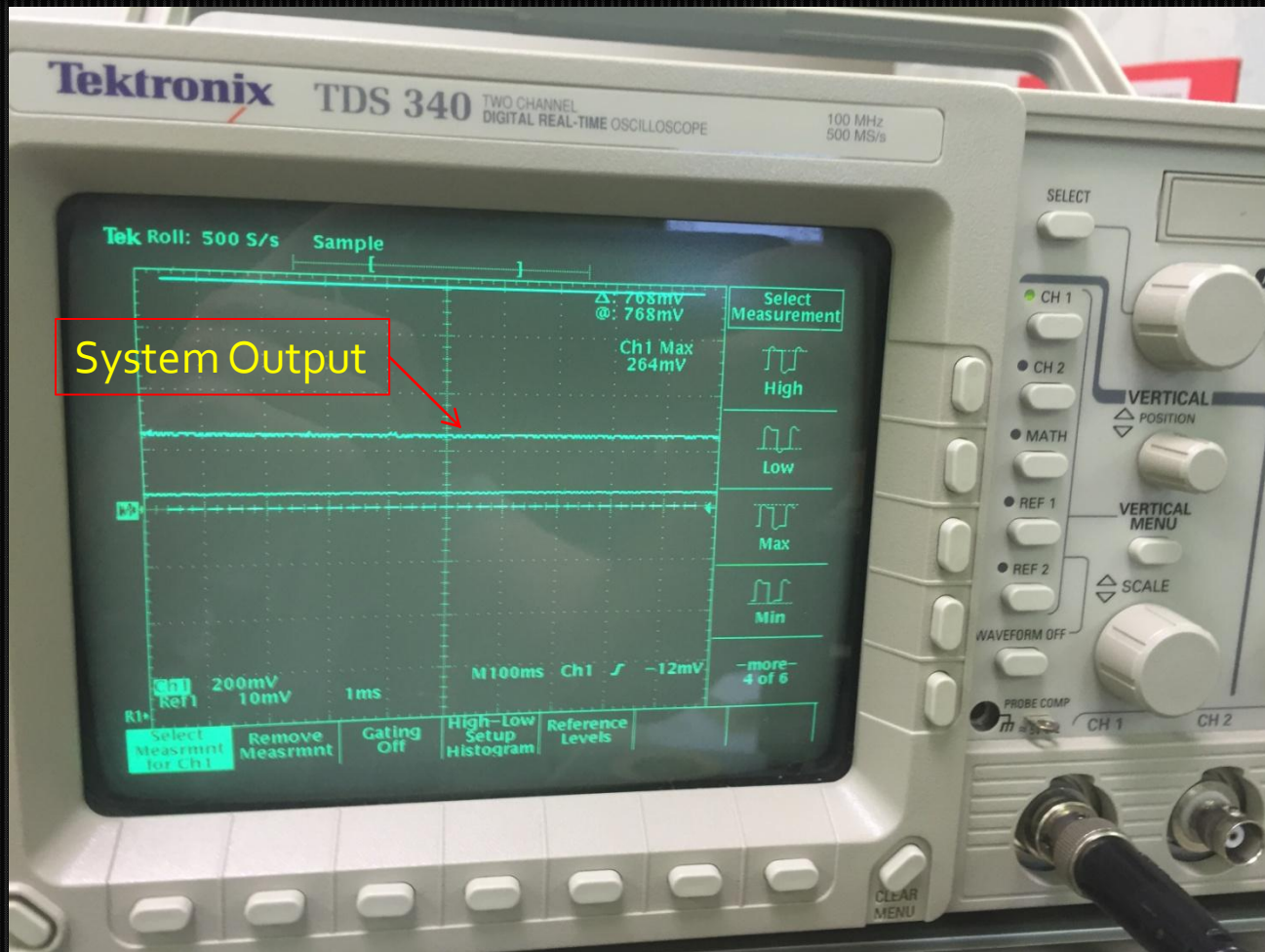


Fig 22. Oscilloscope voltage reading



# Testing Results – Frequency Domain

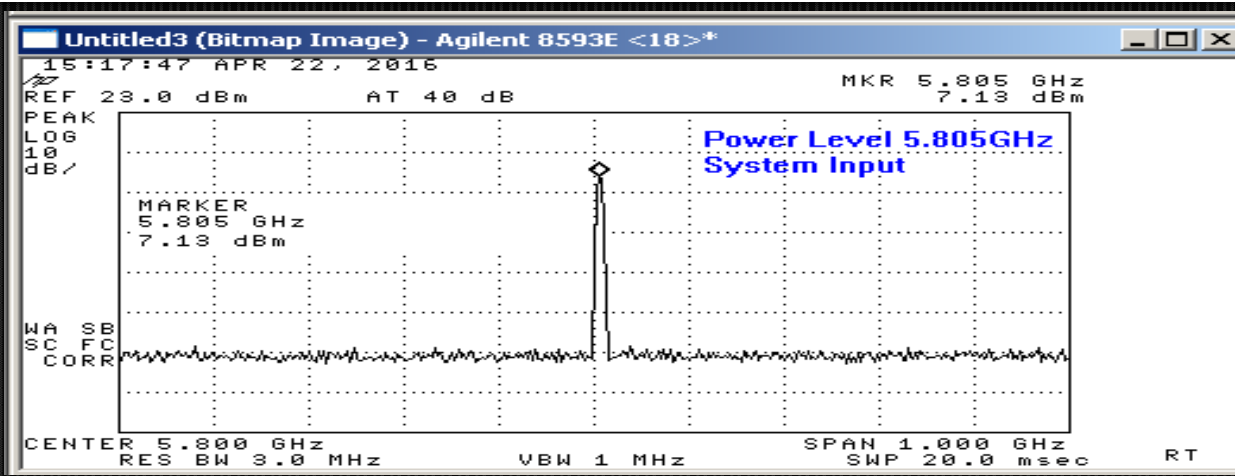


Fig 23.  
Input Signal  
Frequency Power  
7.13 dBm

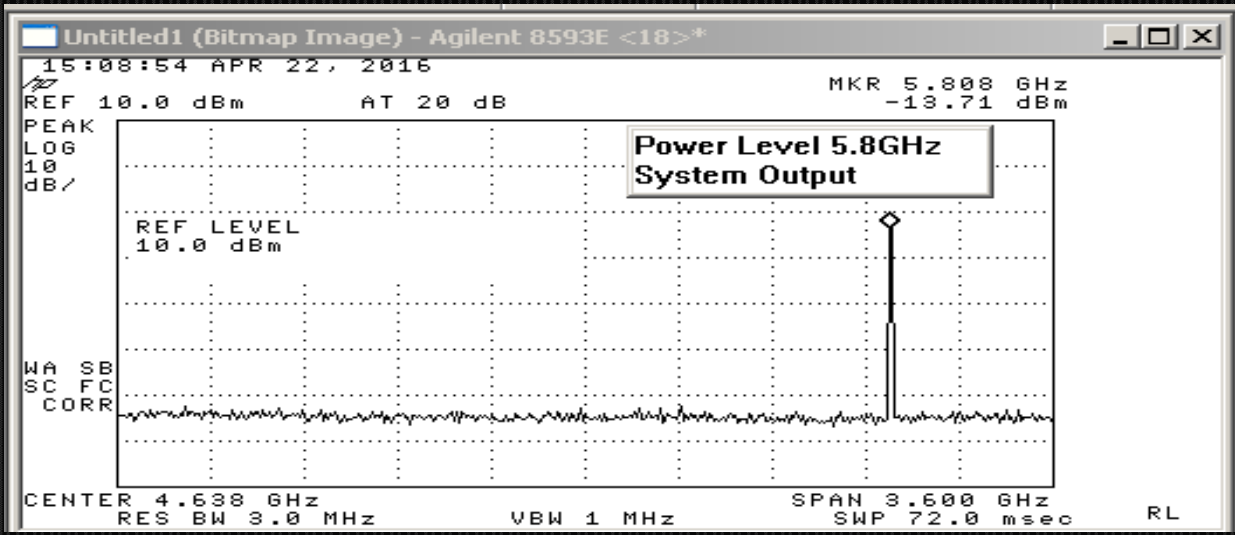
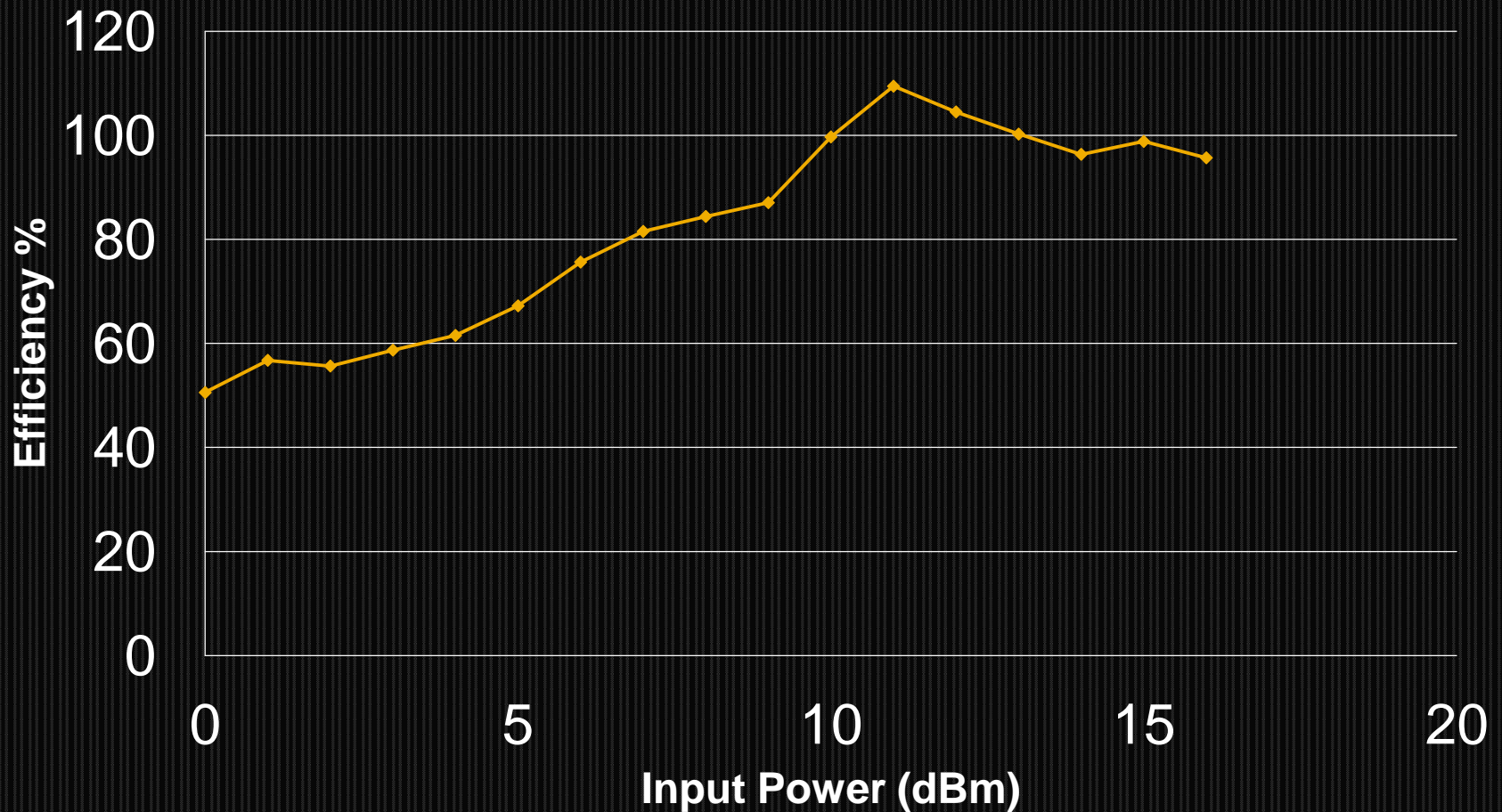


Fig 24.  
Output Signal  
Frequency Power  
-13.71 dBm

# Testing Results - Efficiency



# Testing Results – Power Transfer



# Conclusions

- Unmatched has great preliminary results
- Design is very compact
- Design is efficient
- Design gives DC output with minimal ripple

# For Future Work

- Increase efficiency
- Decrease size
- Design to function at different frequencies  
(2.45 GHz 915 MHz)
- Work towards marketable product

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# Questions?



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# Parts List

- HSMS 2860 Schottky Detector Diode
- PremierTek 802.11n 2.4GHz/5~5.8GHz Dual Band 5dBi Antenna
- Antenna, 5.8 GHz 19 dBi gain
- Sunhans wifi signal booster

# Appendix

## Absolute Maximum Ratings, $T_C = +25^\circ\text{C}$ , Single Diode

Symbol	Parameter	Unit	Absolute Maximum <sup>[1]</sup>	
			SOT-23/143	SOT-323/363
$P_{IV}$	Peak Inverse Voltage	V	4.0	4.0
$T_J$	Junction Temperature	$^\circ\text{C}$	150	150
$T_{STG}$	Storage Temperature	$^\circ\text{C}$	-65 to 150	-65 to 150
$T_{OP}$	Operating Temperature	$^\circ\text{C}$	-65 to 150	-65 to 150
$\theta_{jC}$	Thermal Resistance <sup>[2]</sup>	$^\circ\text{C}/\text{W}$	500	150

### Notes:

1. Operation in excess of any one of these conditions may result in permanent damage to the device.
2.  $T_C = +25^\circ\text{C}$ , where  $T_C$  is defined to be the temperature at the package pins where contact is made to the circuit board.



**Attention:**  
Observe precautions for handling electrostatic sensitive devices.

ESD Machine Model (Class A)

ESD Human Body Model (Class 0)

Refer to Avago Application Note A004R: Electrostatic Discharge Damage and Control.