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1/fNoise in Delta Doped GaAs/AlGaAs Heterostructures¹ YUN SUK EO, STEVEN WOLGAST, CAGLIYAN KURDAK, University of Michigan Department of Physics, L. N. PFEIFFER, K. W. WEST, Princeton University Department of Electrical Engineering — We studied 1/f noise of a two-dimensional electron gases (2DEG) in δ -doped $GaAs/Al_xGa_{1-x}As$ heterostructures. Three samples that we measured were identical except for the δ -doping concentration: $9.1 \times 10^{18} (cm^{-2})$ (high), $1.3 \times$ $10^{18}(cm^{-2})$ (medium), $0.3 \times 10^{18}(cm^{-2})$ (low). These δ -doping layers are located in the $Al_xGa_{1-x}As$ region, 800Å above the GaAs and $Al_xGa_{1-x}As$ interface. We fabricated Corbino and Hall bar structures with different sizes. Carrier density was varied by the persistent photo conductivity effect at low temperature (4.2K). Initially, the samples did not exhibit measurable 1/f noise. The high δ -doping concentration samples exhibited parallel conduction. As we increased the carrier concentration in the high and medium-doped samples, 1/f noised increased initially, but disappeared as the photo current was saturated. The lowdoped samples did not exhibit 1/f noise as the carrier concentration was increased. We conclude that 1/f noise is caused by the remote ionized impurities in the δ -doped region. Also, changing the DX-center configuration changes the density of the ionized impurities, which then changes the magnitude of 1/f noise.

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