

Definition of Amplification: The process of transferring the weak signal from low resistance region to high resistance region, which makes the weak signal to strong signal. This process is called amplification.

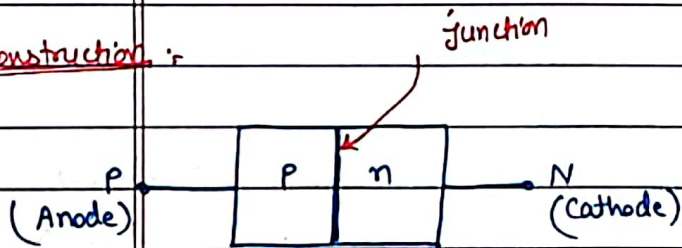
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Weak signal \rightarrow low amplitude signal.
Strong signal \rightarrow high amplitude signal.

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Transistor = Transfer + resistor

Definition of transistor: Transistor transfers weak signal from low resistance region to high resistance region such that weak signal becomes strong signal.

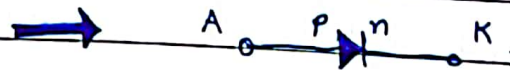
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Diode has no amplification property.
Transistor has amplification property.

Construction :-



(Diode)
(P-N junction diode)

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2-terminal +
1-junction device

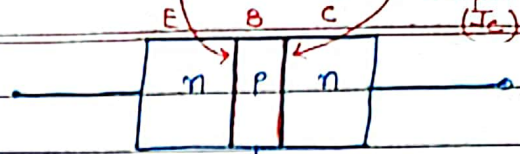
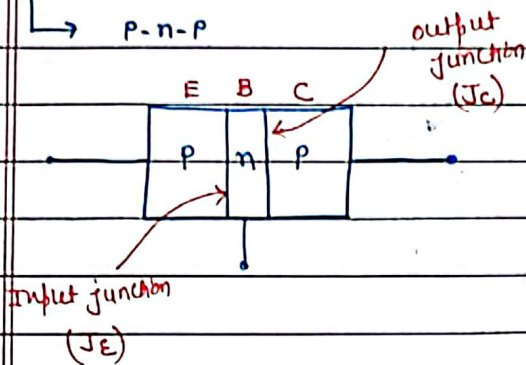


(Symbolic representation
of diode)

BJT Construction

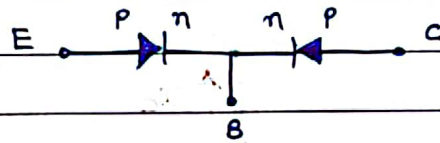
BJT

→ n-p-n
→ p-n-p

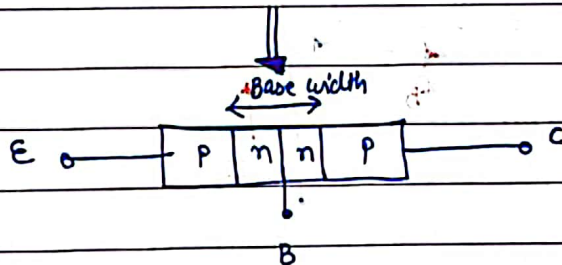


E - Emitter
B - Base
C - Collector

* Question: Can we call transistor as back to back ^{connected} diode?
Sol.: Take example of P-n-p transistor.



This structure cannot behave as transistor structure.



⇒ Here, base width becomes larger, which is not desirable in the designing of a transistor.

Point

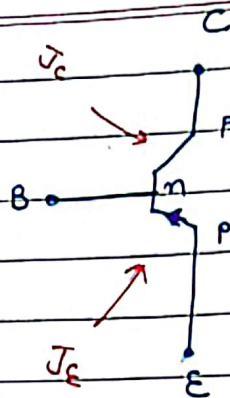
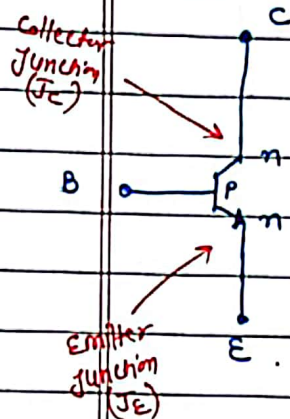
chemically two diodes connected back to back is not referred as transistor because base width becomes largest which is not desirable.

* Base width must be small for practical transistors.

Note

* Use Ebers-Moll model to connect two diodes as back to back. In this model, a dependent source is connected in parallel with diodes.

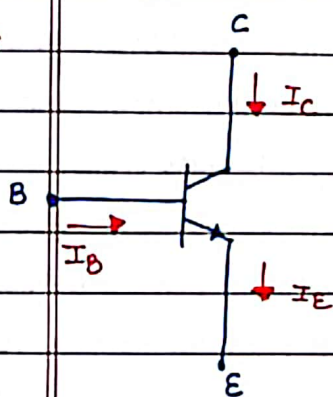
★ Symbolic representation of BJT



Points :-

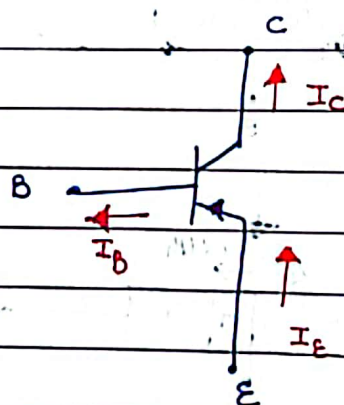
- ★ Arrow represents Emitter terminal.
- ★ ^{3rd} Arrow represents direction of Emitter current when input junction is forward biased.

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(n-p-n transistor)

(Arrow direction is outwards)



(p-n-p transistor)

(Arrow direction is inside)

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(Here, assuming that J_E is forward biased)

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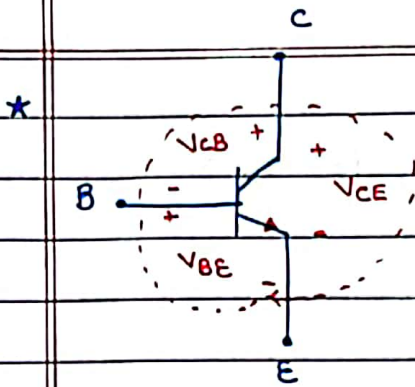
$$I_E = I_B + I_C$$

⇒ Note: Capital letters are used for D.C. analysis.

I_E - Emitter current

I_B - Base current

I_C - Collector current



V_{CB} = potential difference b/w collector & base

$$\begin{aligned} V_{CB} &= V_C - V_B \\ V_{BE} &= V_B - V_E \\ V_{CE} &= V_C - V_E \end{aligned}$$

Apply KVL along dotted line,

$$-V_{BE} - V_{CB} + V_{CE} = 0$$

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entering
at -ve
terminal

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$$** V_{CE} = V_{CB} + V_{BE}$$

⇒ (Relation b/w voltages.)

$$V_{CE} = V_C - V_B + V_B - V_E$$

$$V_{CE} = V_C - V_E$$

** Different combinations of junctions

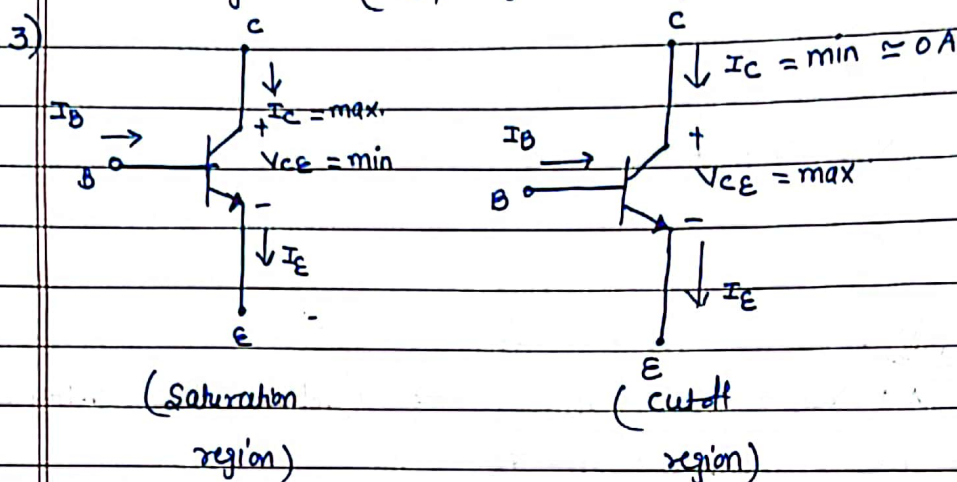
I_E (input junction)		I_C (output junction)		Region
I_E (input junct ⁿ)	I_C (output junct ⁿ)	Regions	Applications	Property
(FB) Forward biased (ON)	(RB) Reversed biased (OFF)	Active	Amplification	Amplifier
F.B. (ON)	F.B. (ON)	Saturation (Fully ON)	Switch	ON-Switch
R.B. (OFF)	R.B. (OFF)	Cutoff (fully OFF)	Switch	OFF-Switch
R.B. (OFF)	F.B. (ON)	Inverse active	Attenuator	Attenuation

Note

Generally, we do not prefer use of transistor for attenuation purpose. It can be done by using voltage divider bias.

Conclusion

- 1) When transistor works in active region, it behaves as amplifier (max. gain region)
- 2) In digital circuits, transistor works in saturation or cutoff regions. (e.g., logic families)

 $P_T = \text{Power dissipation}$

$$P_T = V_{CE} \times I_C$$

* Saturation region $\rightarrow I_C = \text{max.}$

$$V_{CE} = \text{min.}$$

$$P_T(\text{sat}) = V_{CE(\text{min})} \times I_{C(\text{max})} \approx 0 \text{ Watts}$$

* Cutoff region $\rightarrow I_C = \text{min.}$

$$V_{CE} = \text{max.}$$

$$P_T(\text{cutoff}) = V_{CE(\text{max})} \times I_{C(\text{min})} \approx 0 \text{ Watts}$$

* Active region $\rightarrow V_{CE} = \text{medium}$

$$I_C = \text{medium}$$

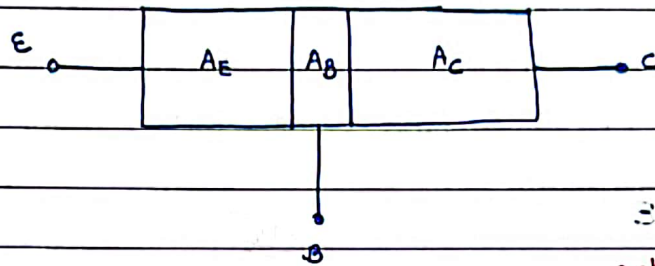
$$P_T(\text{active}) \approx \text{high}$$

Points

- 4) In digital circuitry, power consumption is very low.
- 5) In case of amplifier, power consumption is highest.
- 6) Among BJT, MOSFET, JFET, OP-Amp, the power consumption of BJT is high.

- 6) BJT is a noisy device.
- 7) (V_{CE}, I_C) is also referred as Q-point or operating point.
- 8) The product of Q-point is called power dissipation.

"order of cross-sectional area"



A_E - cross-sectional area of emitter

A_C - " " " " collector

A_B - " " " " base

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$A_C > A_E > A_B$

(order of cross sectional area)

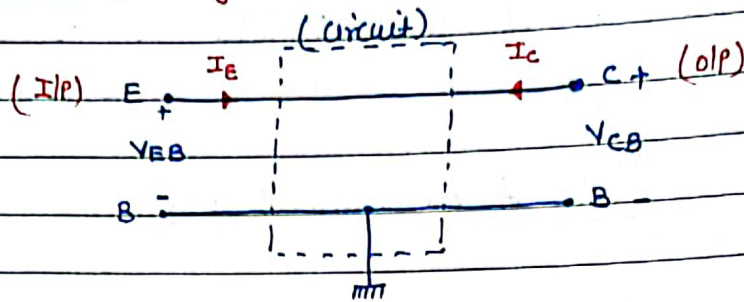
$R = \frac{\rho l}{A}$ (Resistance) $\Rightarrow R \propto \frac{l}{A}$

$R_B > R_E > R_C$ (order of resistances)

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(BJT configurations)

- 1) Common-Base configuration. (CB)
- 2) Common-Emitter configuration. (CE)
- 3) Common-collector configuration. (CC)

1) Common-Base Configuration :- (CB) :-



** α_{dc} = common-base dc current gain

$$\alpha_{dc} = \frac{I_C}{I_E} = \frac{I_C}{I_E}$$

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$$I_E = I_C + I_B$$

Generally, $I_C = 98\% \text{ of } I_E$
 $I_B = 2\% \text{ of } I_E$

** $\alpha_{dc} \sim (0.95 - 0.99)$

$$\alpha_{dc} = \frac{98\% \text{ of } I_E}{I_E} \Rightarrow \alpha_{dc} = \frac{0.98 I_E}{I_E}$$

gmb^r

** $\alpha_{dc} \sim 0.98$

gmb^r

** $0.9 < \alpha < 1$

** $\alpha_{dc}(\text{max}) = 1$

\Rightarrow

* $I_C = I_E$

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$\Rightarrow I_B \sim 0$

* The value of α_{dc} equals to 1 indicates that the base current (I_B) is 0A and $I_C = I_E$.

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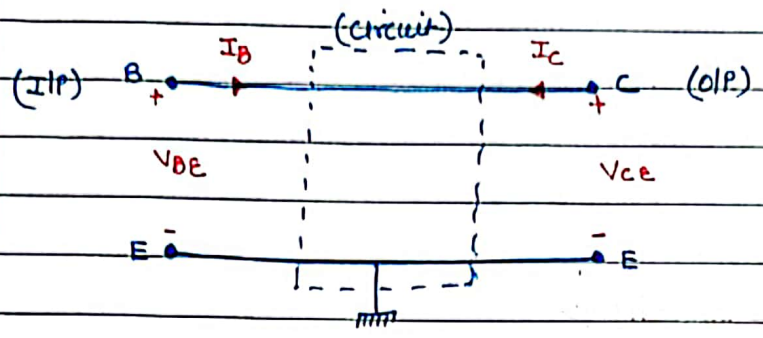
* $\alpha_{dc} > 1$ (not possible)



So, the value of α_{dc} cannot be greater than unity.

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Common-Emitter (CE) Configuration



* β_{dc} - Common-emitter -dc current gain

(Approximate eqn)

$$\beta_{dc} = \frac{\text{output current}}{\text{Input current}} = \frac{I_C}{I_B} \Rightarrow \beta_{dc} = \frac{I_C}{I_B} \Rightarrow I_C = \beta_{dc} I_B$$

$$\beta_{dc} = \frac{98\% \text{ of } I_E}{2\% \text{ of } I_E} = \frac{0.98}{0.02} = 49$$

$$\beta_{dc} = 49 \Rightarrow \beta_{dc} \gg 1 \Rightarrow (\beta \text{ is very high})$$

Practically, $\beta_{dc} \sim (20-200)$

* $I_E = I_C + I_B$

$$\beta = \frac{I_C}{I_B}, \quad \alpha = \frac{I_C}{I_E}$$

$$\frac{I_C}{I_E} = 1 + \frac{I_B}{I_C} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\alpha} = 1 + \frac{1}{\beta}$$

$$\frac{1}{\beta} = \frac{1}{\alpha} - 1 = \frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}$$

$$\beta = \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha}$$

(OR)

$$\alpha = \frac{\beta}{1+\beta}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{If } \alpha_{dc} = 1 \Rightarrow \beta_{dc} = \frac{\alpha_{dc}}{1-\alpha_{dc}} = \infty \Rightarrow \beta_{dc} = \infty$$

It indicates that $I_B = 0A$

* Generally, the value of β_{dc} is high. If value of β_{dc} is not given, then assume $\beta_{dc} = \infty$, which means $I_B = 0A$.

Exact relation b/w I_c & I_B

$$* I_c = \beta I_B + (1 + \beta) I_{CBO}$$

3) Common-collector (CC) configuration :-
(circuit)



* γ_{dc} - Common collector d.c. current gain.

$$* \gamma_{dc} = \frac{I_E}{I_B} = \frac{I_E}{2\% \text{ of } I_E} = \frac{I_E}{0.02 I_E} = 50$$

$$* \gamma_{dc} = 50$$

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$$\gamma_{dc} > \beta_{dc} > \alpha_{dc}$$

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$$\gamma_{dc} = \frac{I_E}{I_B} = \frac{I_c + I_B}{I_B} = 1 + \frac{I_c}{I_B} = 1 + \beta_{dc}$$

$$** \gamma_{dc} = 1 + \beta_{dc}$$

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$$\gamma_{dc} = 1 + \frac{\alpha_{dc}}{1 - \alpha_{dc}} = \frac{1 - \alpha_{dc} + \alpha_{dc}}{1 - \alpha_{dc}} = \frac{1}{1 - \alpha_{dc}} \Rightarrow \gamma_{dc} = \frac{1}{1 - \alpha_{dc}}$$