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Introduction to Semiconductor Devices

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Chapter 12 Bipolar Junction Transistor

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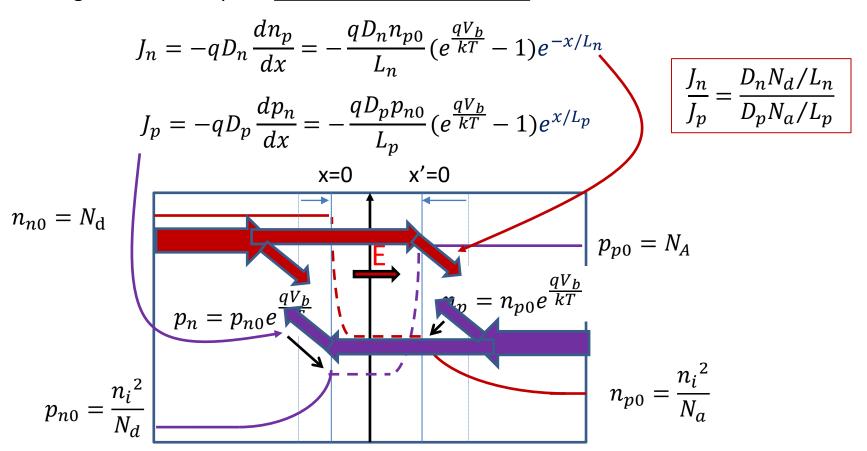
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12.1 Previously: pn Junction Current

charge carrier transport: <u>forward bias: current ratio</u>



Assumption: No recombination-generation in depletion region.



12.1 Example: pn Junction Current

Finding L_n , τ_n in **p-type** region because electrons are minority carriers.

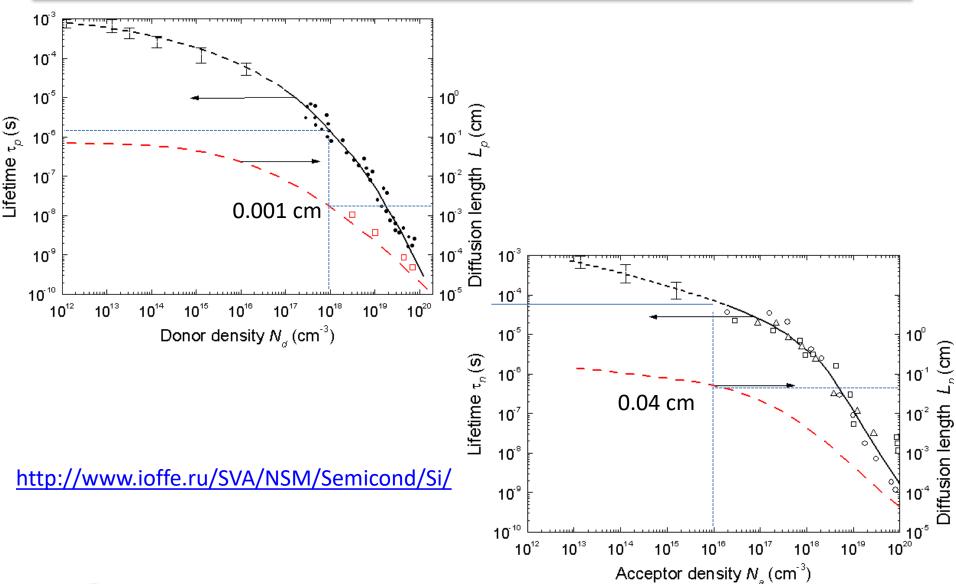
For
$$N_a = 10^{16} \, \text{cm}^{-3}$$
 $L_n = 0.04 \, \text{cm}$ $\tau_n = 5 \times 10^{-5} \, \text{s}$

Finding L_p , τ_p in **n-type** region because holes are minority carriers.

For
$$N_d = 10^{18} \, \text{cm}^{-3}$$
 $L_p = 0.0015 \, \text{cm}$ $\tau_p = 1.5 \times 10^{-6} \, \text{s}$

$$\frac{J_n}{J_p} = \frac{D_n N_d / L_n}{D_p N_a / L_p} = \frac{L_n / \tau_n}{L_p / \tau_p} \frac{N_d}{N_a} \approx \frac{\frac{4 \times 10^{-2}}{5 \times 10^{-5}}}{\frac{1.5 \times 10^{-3}}{1.5 \times 10^{-6}}} \times \frac{10^{18}}{10^{16}} = 80$$

12.1 Example: pn Junction Current



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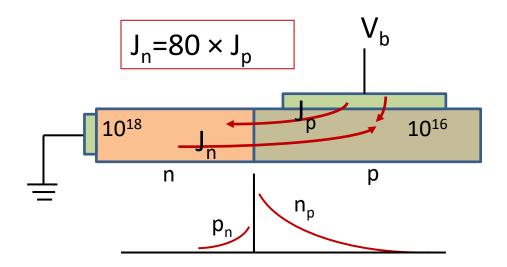
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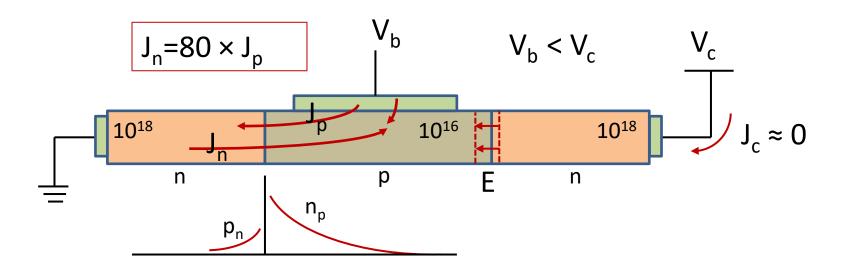
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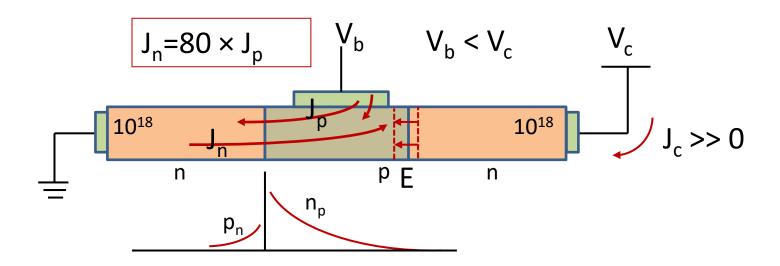
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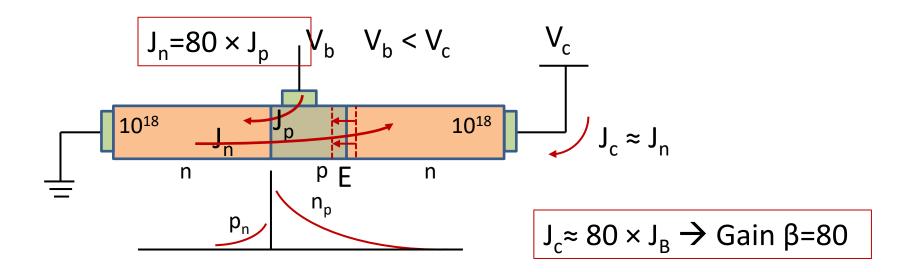
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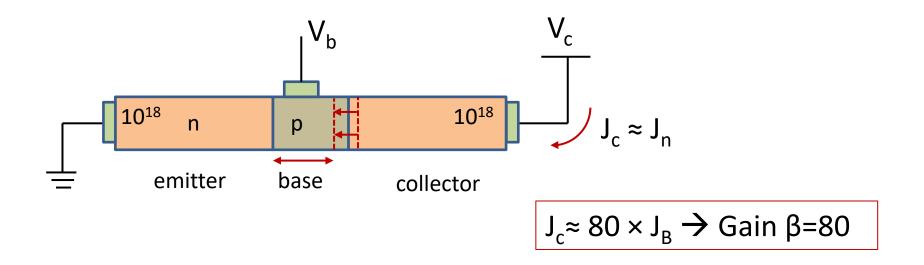






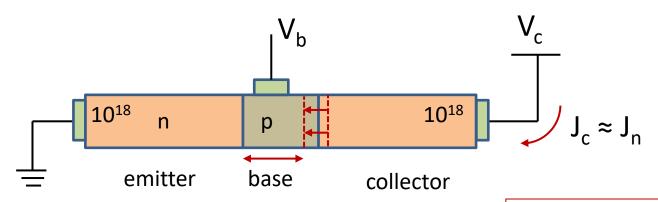




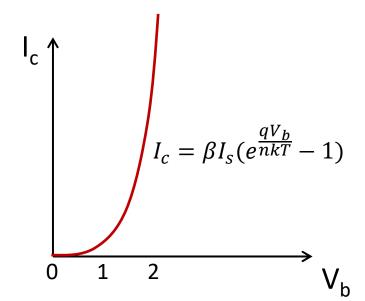


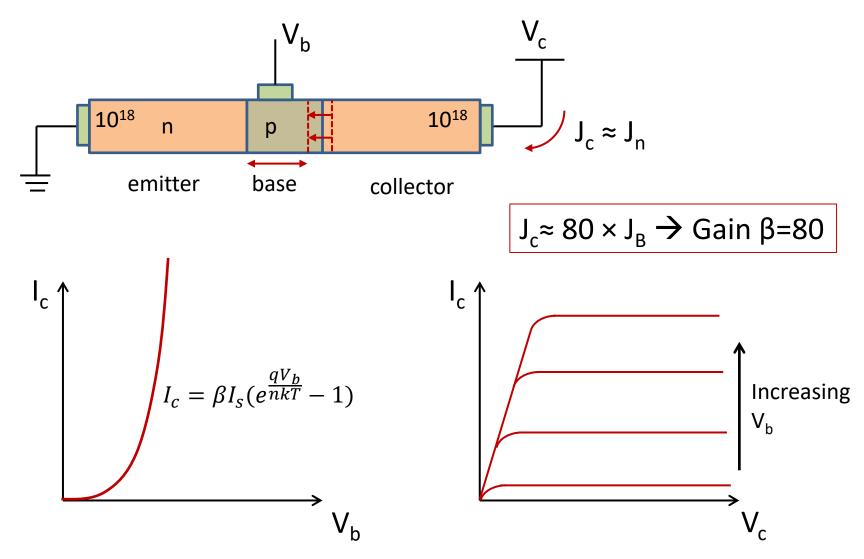
BJT Charateristics:

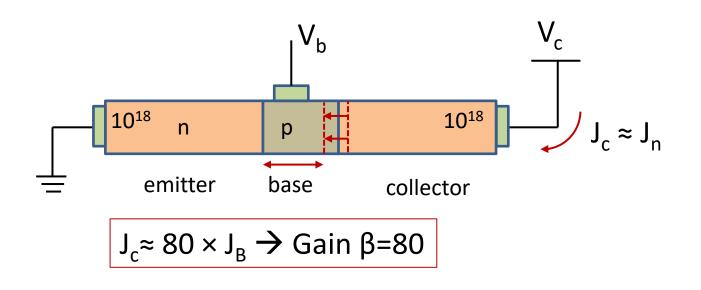
- Base width smaller → higher gain
- 2. Larger emitter-base concentration ratio \rightarrow higher gain

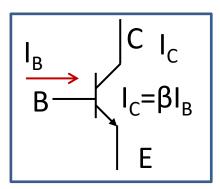


 $J_c \approx 80 \times J_B \rightarrow Gain \beta = 80$



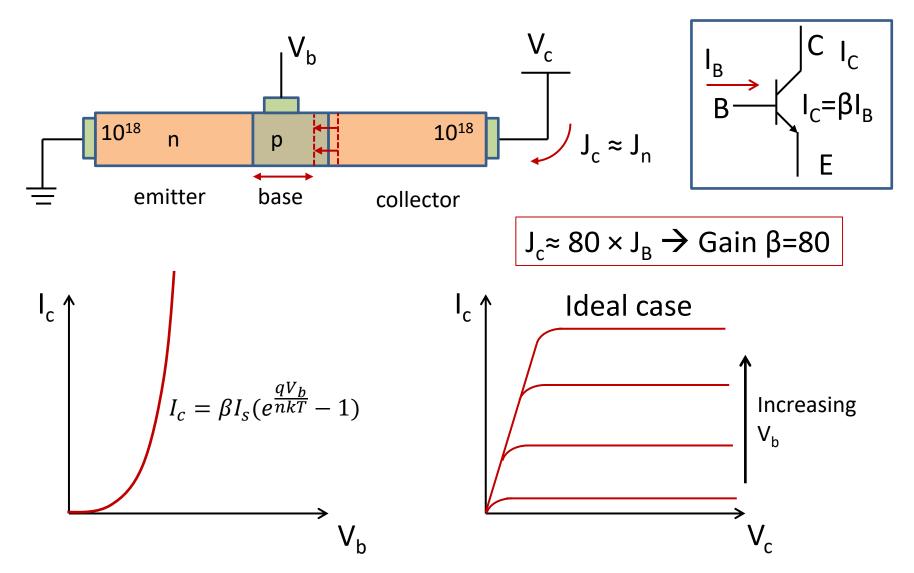






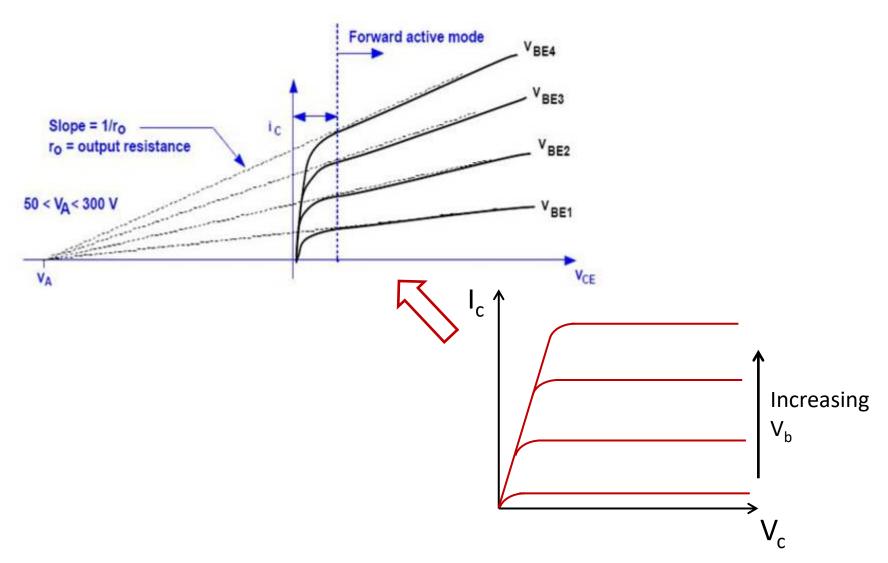
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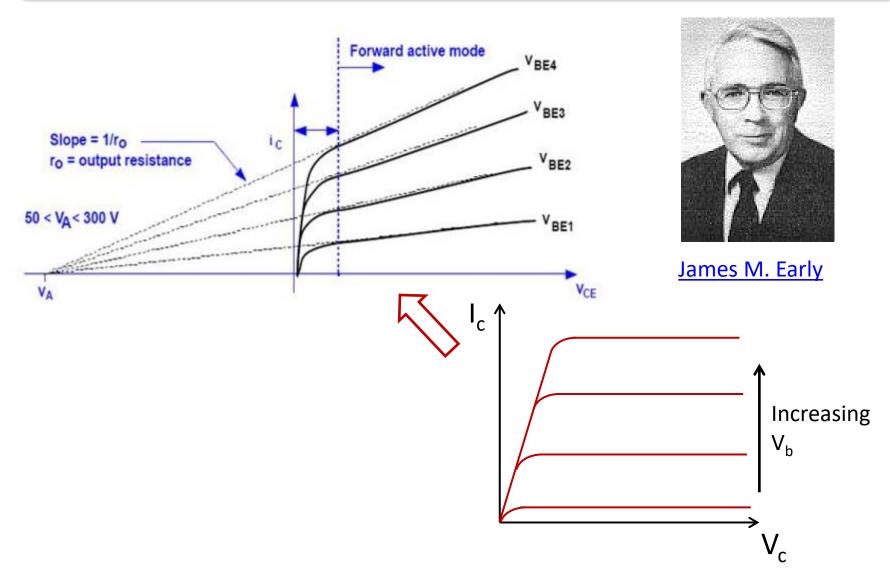
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- 2. $\beta \approx N_D/N_A$, higher emitter-to-base doping ratio \rightarrow higher gain

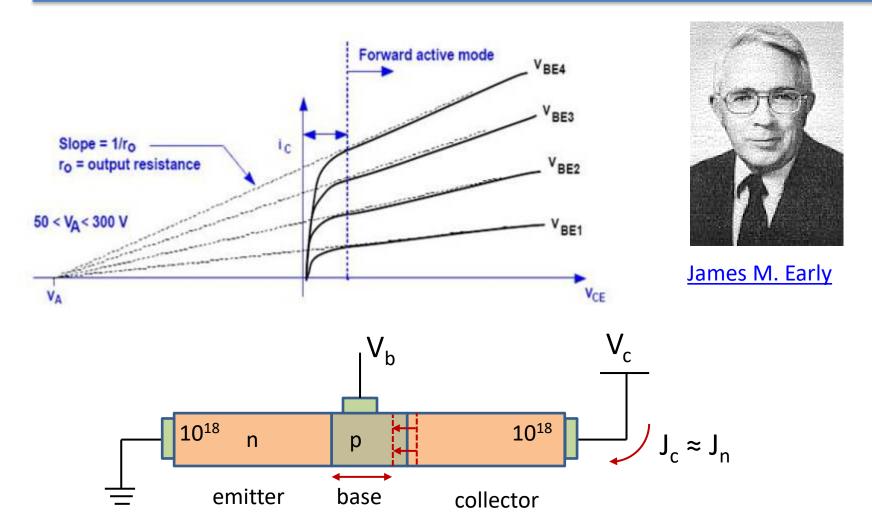


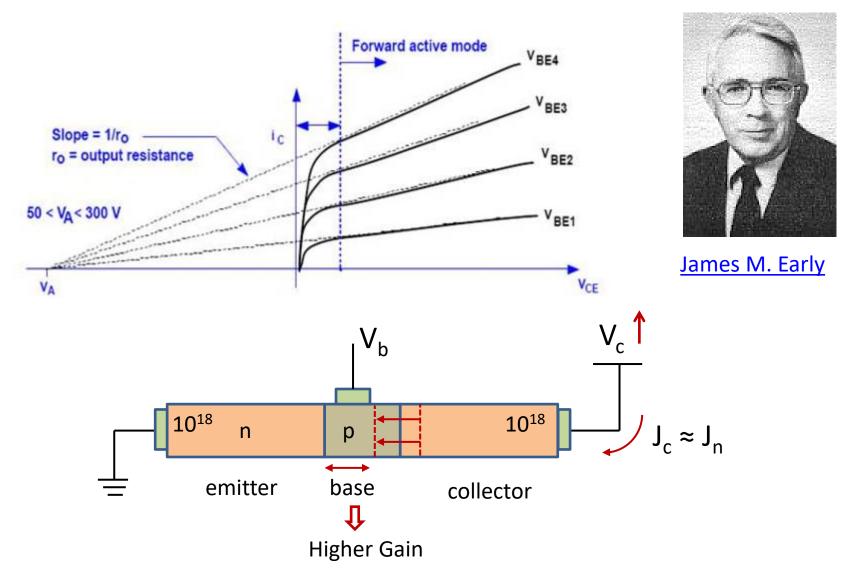
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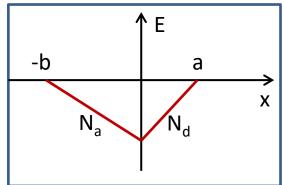


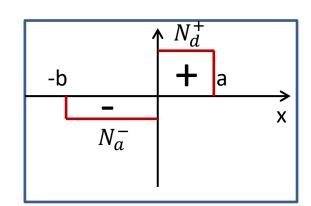


Previously...

$$a = \sqrt{\frac{2\varepsilon(V_{bi} - V_R)}{q} \frac{N_a}{N_d} \frac{1}{N_a + N_d}}$$

$$N_A^- b = N_D^+ a \Rightarrow b = \sqrt{\frac{2\varepsilon(V_{bi} - V_R)}{q} \frac{N_d}{N_a} \frac{1}{N_a + N_d}}$$





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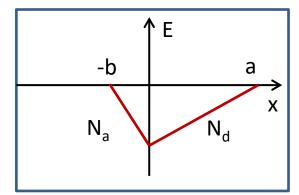
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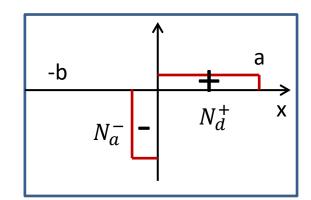
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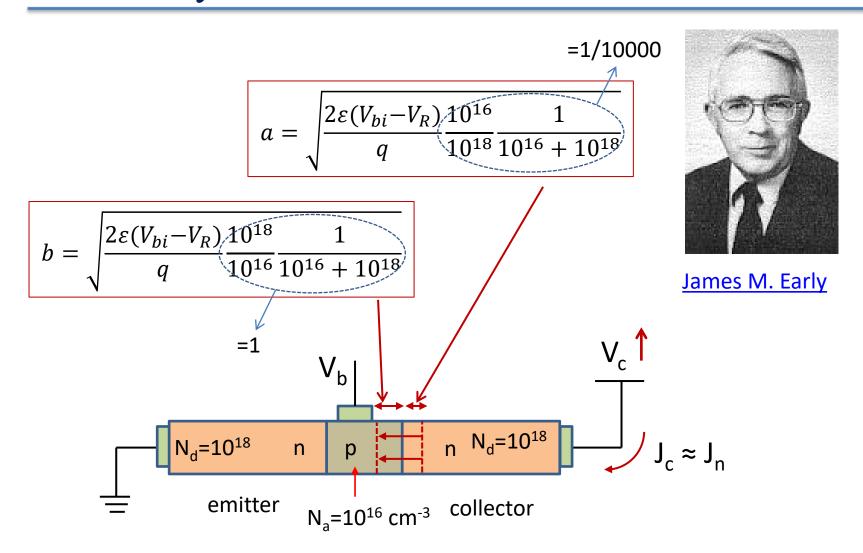
$$N_a = 100 N_d$$

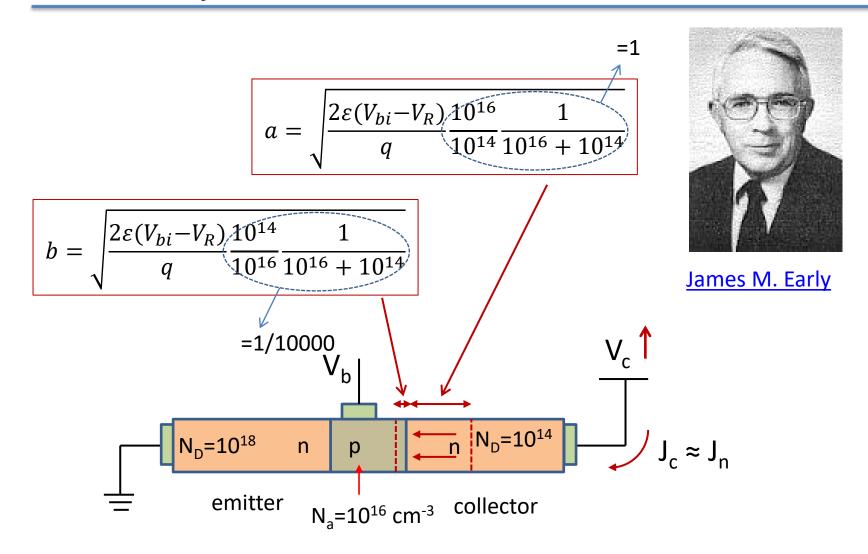
$$a = \sqrt{\frac{2\varepsilon(V_{bi} - V_R)}{q} \frac{100N_d}{N_d} \frac{1}{100N_d}}$$

$$b = \sqrt{\frac{2\varepsilon(V_{bi} - V_R)}{q} \frac{N_{\vec{a}}}{100N_{\vec{a}}} \frac{1}{100N_d}}$$









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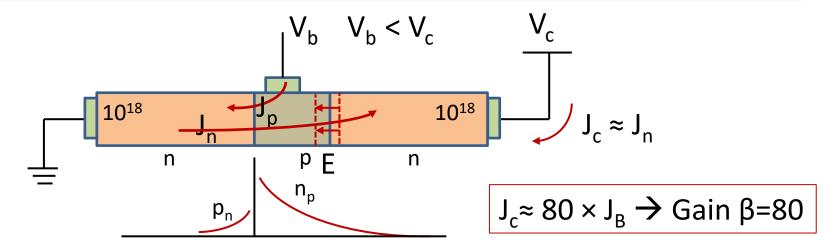
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12.4 Summary



- 1. highest doping concentration is limited by solubility (<10²⁰)
- 2. Lowest doping concentration is limited by n_i and fabrication process

Basic facts:

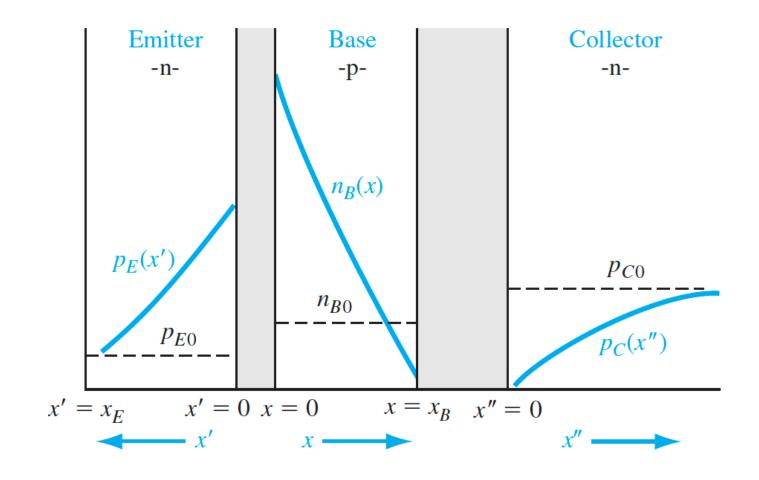
- 1. Narrower base \rightarrow larger gain
- 2. $\beta \approx N_D/N_A$, higher emitter-to-base doping ratio \rightarrow higher gain
- 3. Trade-off for base doping concentration (gain and Early effect)

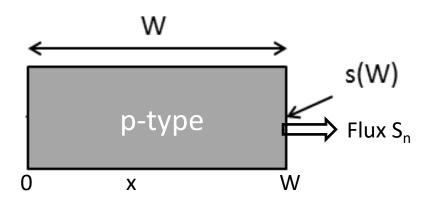


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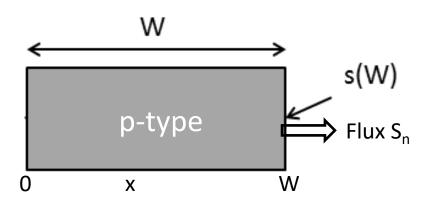


$$N_a = 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}, D_n = 10 \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}, \tau_n = 10^{-7} \text{ s}, \text{SRV s(x=W)} = \infty$$

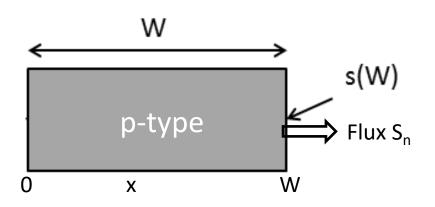
 $\Delta n \text{ (x=0)} = 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

Find the electron flux Sn at x=0 and W, if

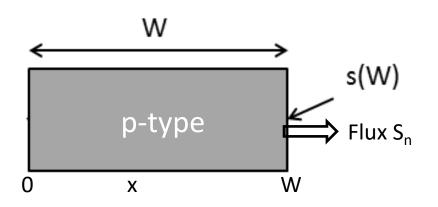
- 1) W=20um
- 2) W=2um



$$0 = D_n \frac{\partial^2 \Delta n}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\Delta n}{\tau} \qquad \Rightarrow \Delta n = Aexp\left(-\frac{x}{L_n}\right) + Bexp\left(\frac{x}{L_n}\right)$$



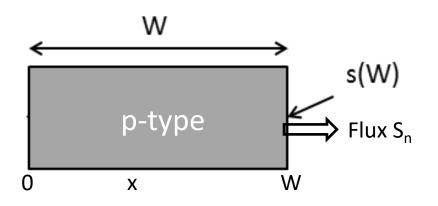
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 $\Rightarrow \Delta n = Aexp\left(-\frac{x}{L_n}\right) + Bexp\left(\frac{x}{L_n}\right)$
$$\begin{cases} x = 0 \Rightarrow \Delta n_0 = \Delta n(x = 0) = A + B \\ x = W \Rightarrow \Delta n = Aexp\left(-\frac{W}{L_n}\right) + Bexp\left(\frac{W}{L_n}\right) = 0 \end{cases}$$



$$0 = D_n \frac{\partial^2 \Delta n}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\Delta n}{\tau} \qquad \Rightarrow \Delta n = Aexp\left(-\frac{x}{L_n}\right) + Bexp\left(\frac{x}{L_n}\right)$$

$$A = (\Delta n)_0 \frac{\exp\left(\frac{W}{L_n}\right)}{\exp\left(\frac{W}{L_n}\right) - \exp\left(-\frac{W}{L_n}\right)} \qquad B = (\Delta n)_0 \frac{\exp\left(-\frac{W}{L_n}\right)}{\exp\left(\frac{W}{L_n}\right) - \exp\left(-\frac{W}{L_n}\right)}$$

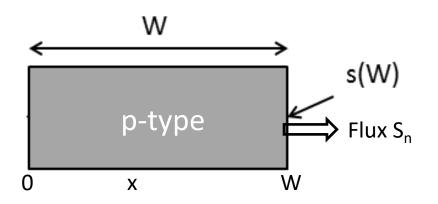




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$$\Delta n(x) = (\Delta n)_0 \frac{\sinh\left(\frac{W - x}{L_n}\right)}{\sinh\left(\frac{W}{L_n}\right)}$$

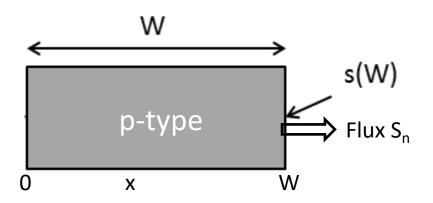




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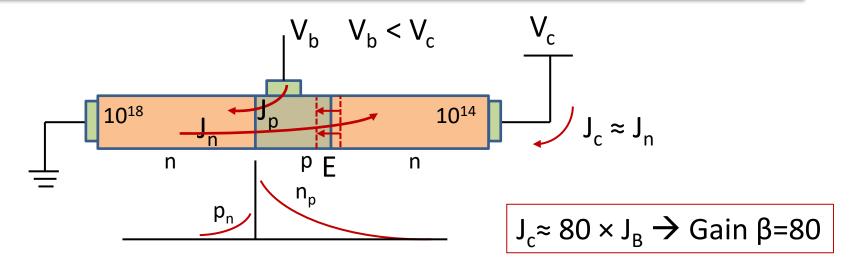
$$\Delta n(x) = (\Delta n)_0 \frac{\operatorname{sh}\left(\frac{W - x}{L_n}\right)}{\operatorname{sh}\left(\frac{W}{L_n}\right)} \qquad S_n = -D_n \frac{d\Delta n(x)}{dx} = \frac{D_n(\Delta n)_0}{L_n} \frac{\operatorname{ch}\left(\frac{W - x}{L_p}\right)}{\operatorname{sh}\left(\frac{W}{L_p}\right)}$$





$$S_n = -D_n \frac{d\Delta n(x)}{dx} = \frac{D_n(\Delta n)_{B0}}{L_n} \frac{ch(\frac{W-x}{L_p})}{sh(\frac{W}{L_p})}$$

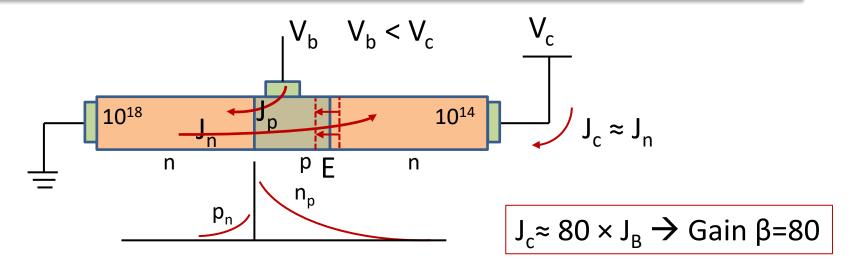
$$S_n(0) = \frac{D_n(\Delta n)_0}{L_n} \frac{ch(\frac{W}{L_p})}{sh(\frac{W}{L_p})} \qquad S_n(W) = \frac{D_n(\Delta n)_0}{L_n} \frac{1}{sh(\frac{W}{L_p})}$$



$$S_n(0) = \frac{D_B \cdot (\Delta n)_{B0}}{L_B} \frac{ch(\frac{W}{L_B})}{sh(\frac{W}{L_B})} \qquad S_n(W_b) = \frac{D_B \cdot (\Delta n)_{B0}}{L_B} \frac{1}{sh(\frac{W}{L_B})}$$

Electron flux from emitter to base: $S_n(0)$

Electron flux from base to collector: S_n(W_b)



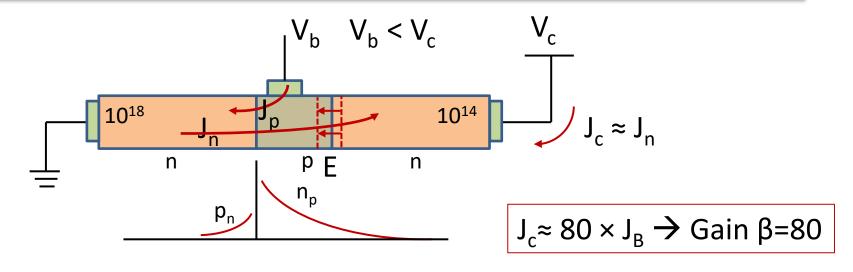
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Electron flux from emitter to base: $S_n(0)$

Electron flux from base to collector: S_n(W_b)

Hole flux from base to emitter: S_p

$$S_p = D_E \frac{dp_E}{dx} = \frac{D_E p_{E0}}{L_E}$$



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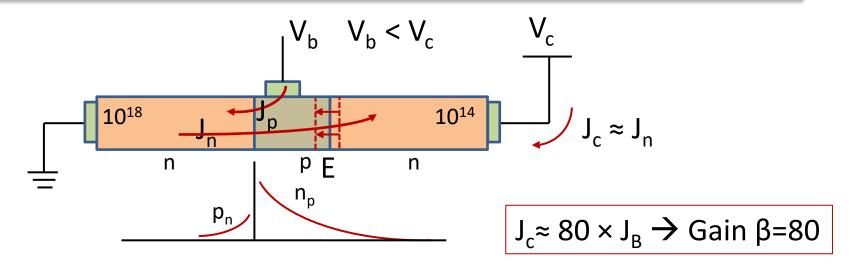
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Base electrode flux: $S_p + S_n(0) - S_n(W_b)$

$$S_p = D_E \frac{dp_E}{dx} = \frac{D_E p_{E0}}{L_E}$$



$$S_n(0) = \frac{D_B(\Delta n)_{B0}}{L_B} \frac{ch(\frac{W}{L_B})}{sh(\frac{W}{L_B})} \qquad S_n(W_b) = \frac{D_B(\Delta n)_{B0}}{L_B} \frac{1}{sh(\frac{W}{L_B})}$$

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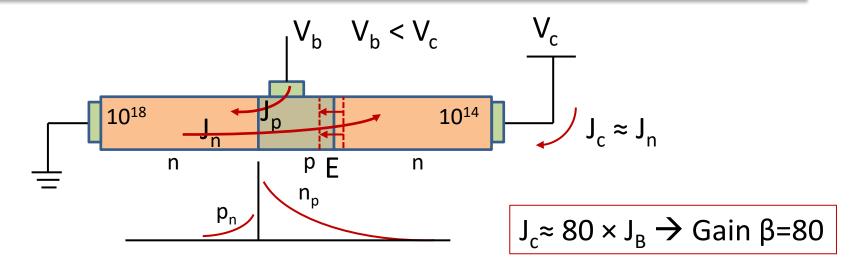
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Gain β = collector flux /base electrode flux = $S_n(W_b)/(S_p + S_n(0) - S_n(W_b))$





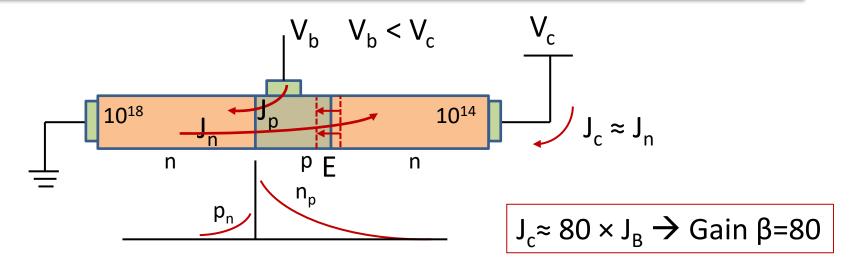
 $S_p = D_E \frac{dp_E}{dx} = \frac{D_E p_{E0}}{I_-}$



$$S_{n}(0) = \frac{D_{B}(\Delta n)_{B0}}{L_{B}} \frac{ch(\frac{W}{L_{B}})}{sh(\frac{W}{L_{B}})} \qquad S_{n}(W_{b}) = \frac{D_{B}(\Delta n)_{B0}}{L_{B}} \frac{1}{sh(\frac{W}{L_{B}})}$$

$$\beta = \frac{D_{B}(\Delta n)_{B0}}{L_{B}} \frac{1}{sh(\frac{W}{L_{B}})}$$

$$\frac{D_{E}(\Delta p)_{E0}}{L_{E}} + \frac{D_{B}(\Delta n)_{B0}}{L_{B}} \frac{ch(\frac{W}{L_{B}})}{sh(\frac{W}{L_{B}})} - \frac{D_{B}(\Delta n)_{B0}}{L_{B}} \frac{1}{sh(\frac{W}{L_{B}})}$$



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$$\beta = \frac{\frac{D_B(\Delta n)_{B0}}{L_B}}{\frac{D_E(\Delta p)_{E0}}{L_E} sh(\frac{W}{L_B}) + \frac{D_B(\Delta n)_{B0}}{L_B} \left[ch\left(\frac{W}{L_p}\right) - 1 \right]}$$

$$sh\left(\frac{W}{L_B}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \left[exp\left(\frac{W}{L_B}\right) - exp\left(-\frac{W}{L_B}\right) \right]$$

$$\exp\left(\frac{W}{L_B}\right) = 1 + \frac{W}{L_B} + \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{W}{L_B}\right)^2 + \cdots$$

$$\exp\left(-\frac{W}{L_B}\right) = 1 - \frac{W}{L_B} + \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{W}{L_B}\right)^2 - \cdots$$

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$$if \frac{W}{L_p} < 1$$

$$\beta = \frac{\frac{D_B(\Delta n)_{B0}}{L_B}}{\frac{D_E(\Delta p)_{E0}}{L_E} sh(\frac{W}{L_B}) + \frac{D_B(\Delta n)_{B0}}{L_B} \left[ch\left(\frac{W}{L_p}\right) - 1 \right]}$$

$$ch\left(\frac{W}{L_B}\right) - 1 = \frac{1}{2} \left[\exp\left(\frac{W}{L_B}\right) + \exp\left(-\frac{W}{L_B}\right) \right] - 1$$

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$$ch\left(\frac{W}{L_B}\right) - 1 = \frac{1}{2} \left[\exp\left(\frac{W}{L_B}\right) + \exp\left(-\frac{W}{L_B}\right) \right] - 1 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{W}{L_B}\right)^2$$

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$$\exp\left(-\frac{W}{L_B}\right) = 1 - \frac{W}{L_B} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{W}{L_B}\right)^2 - \cdots$$

$$\beta = \frac{1}{\frac{N_B D_E W}{N_E D_B L_E} + \frac{1}{2} (\frac{W}{L_B})^2}$$

$$ch\left(\frac{W}{L_B}\right) - 1 = \frac{1}{2} \left[\exp\left(\frac{W}{L_B}\right) + \exp\left(-\frac{W}{L_B}\right) \right] - 1 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{W}{L_B}\right)^2$$

$$\exp\left(\frac{W}{L_B}\right) = 1 + \frac{W}{L_B} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{W}{L_B}\right)^2 + \cdots$$

$$if \frac{W}{L_B} < 1$$

$$\exp\left(-\frac{W}{L_B}\right) = 1 - \frac{W}{L_B} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{W}{L_B}\right)^2 - \cdots$$

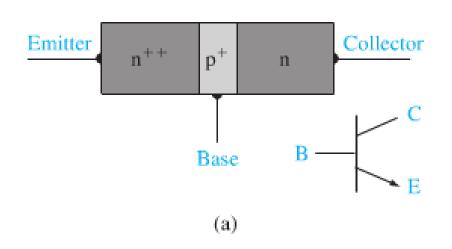
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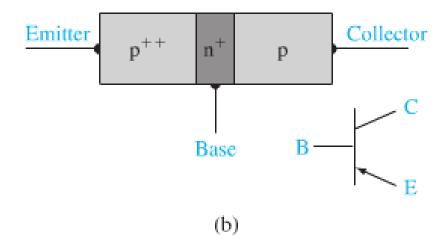
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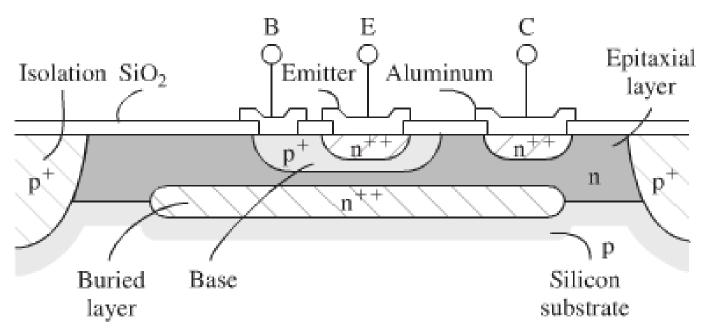
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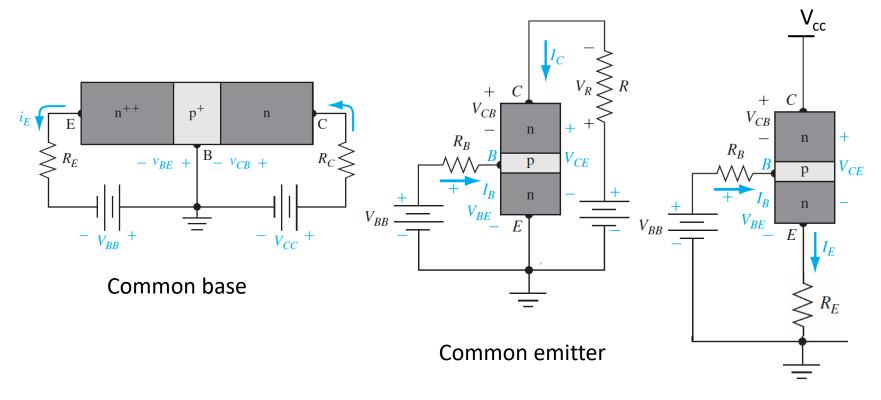






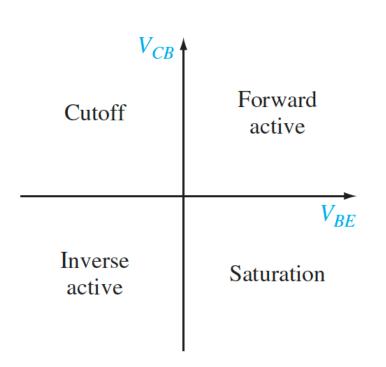
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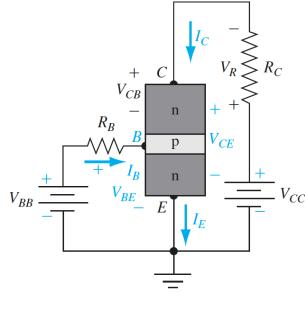
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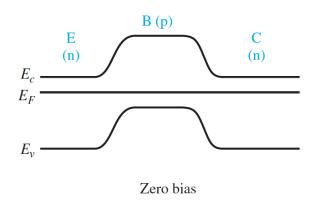
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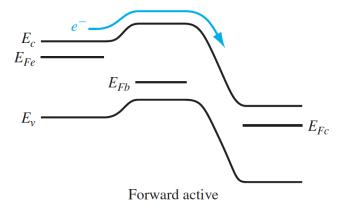
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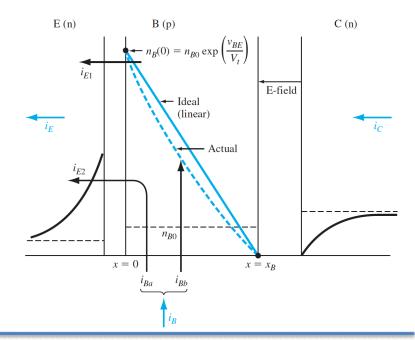


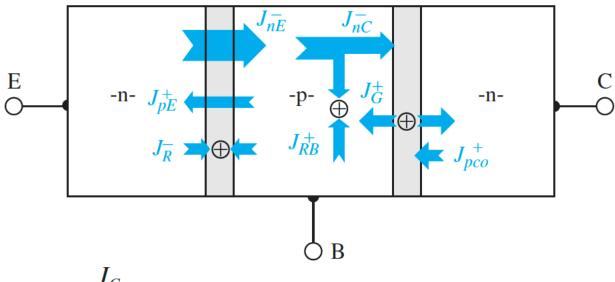


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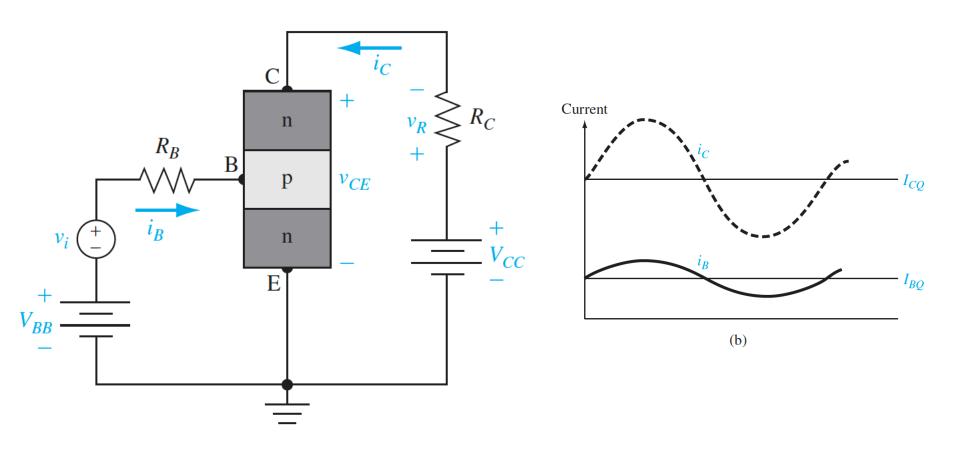


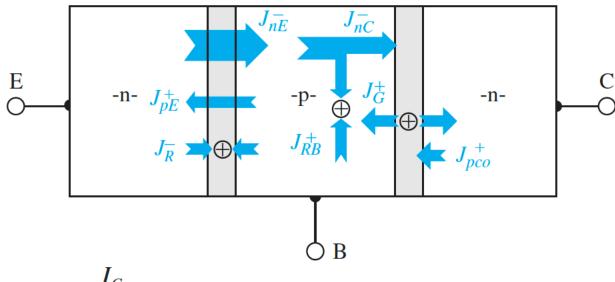




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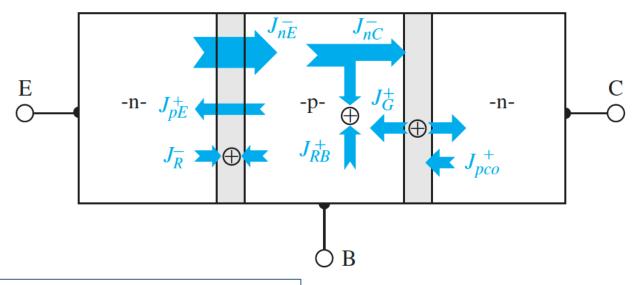




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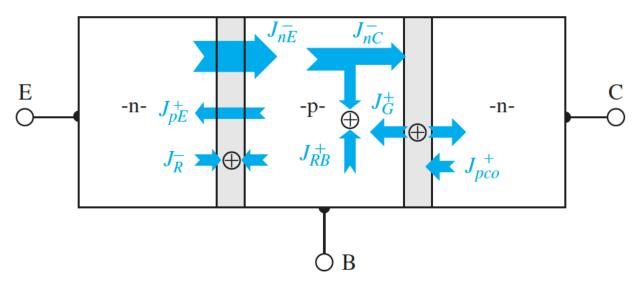
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$$\gamma = \left(\frac{J_{nE}}{J_{nE} + J_{pE}}\right)$$
 = emitter injection efficiency factor

$$\alpha_T = \left(\frac{J_{nC}}{J_{nE}}\right)$$
 = base transport factor

$$\delta = \frac{J_{nE} + J_{pE}}{J_{nE} + J_{R} + J_{pE}} \equiv \text{recombination factor}$$