

# BJT Biasing-2

Text Book

Electronic Devices and Circuit Theory

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# Basic relations

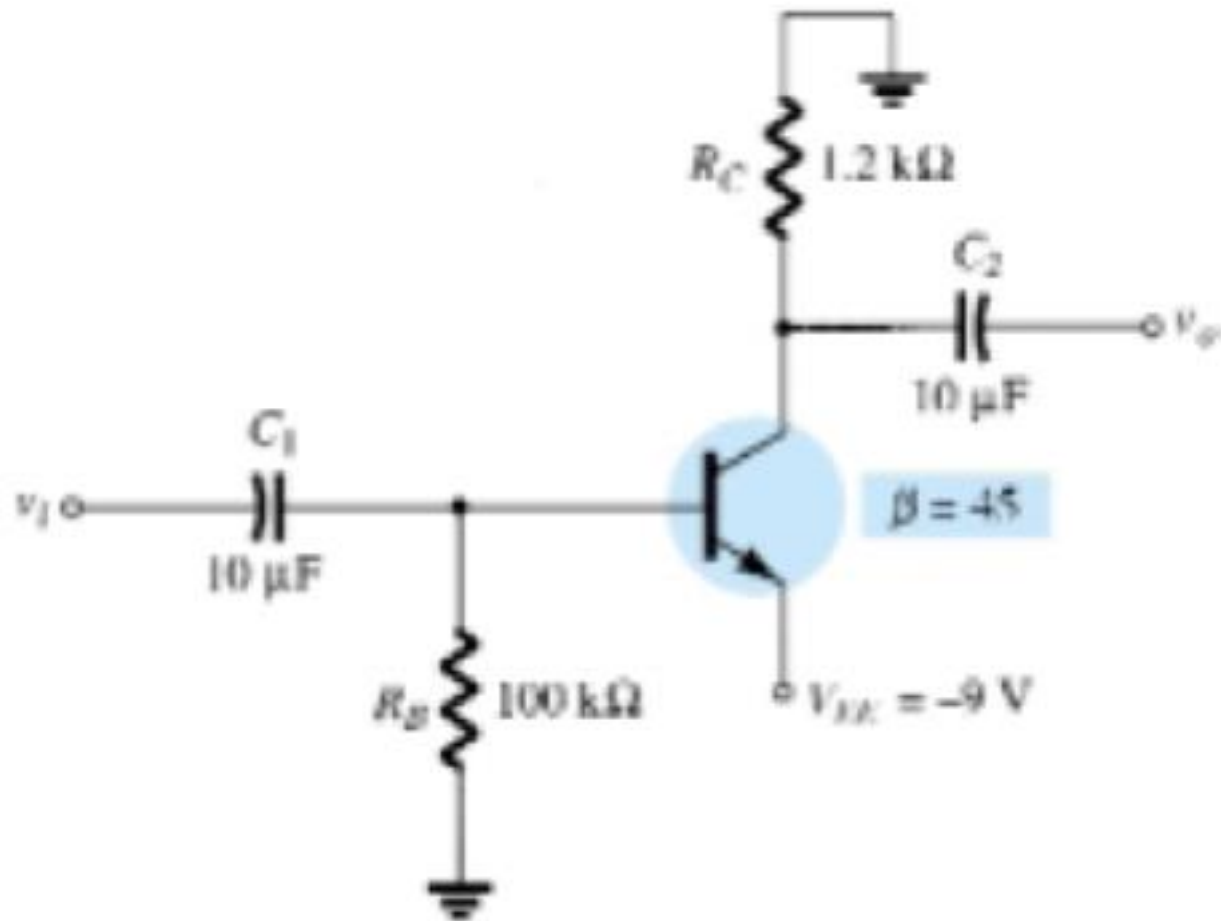
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$$V_{BE} = 0.7 \text{ V}$$

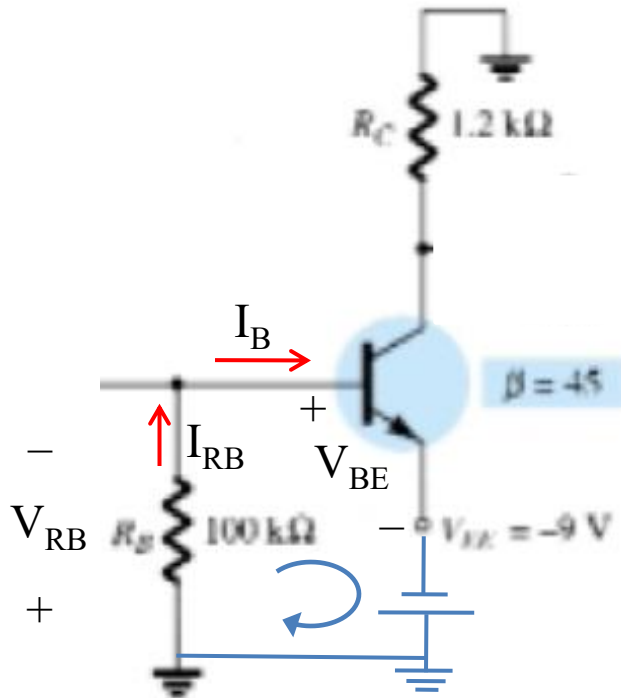
$$I_E = (\beta + 1)I_B \cong I_C$$

$$I_C = \beta I_B$$

# Biasing circuit



# Analysis



Applying KVL around the input loop:

$$+V_{RB} + V_{BE} - 9 = 0$$

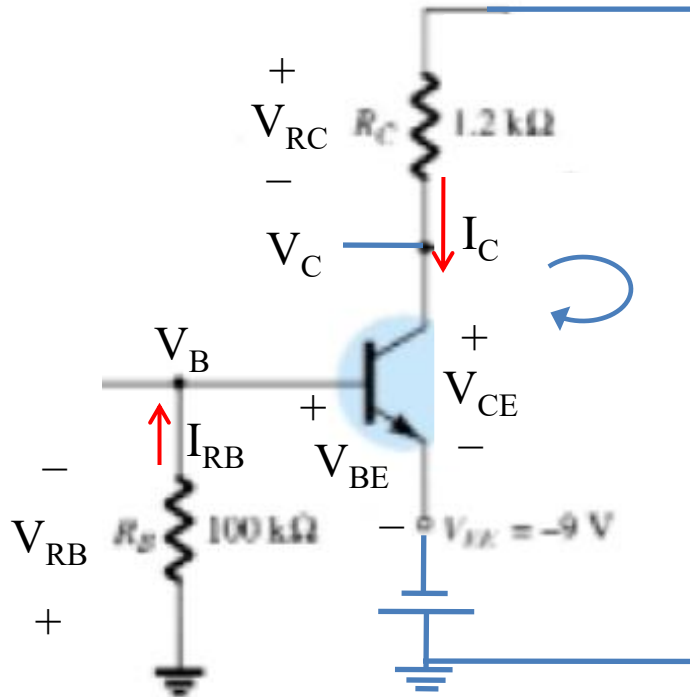
$$I_B R_B + 0.7 - 9 = 0$$

$$I_B = \frac{8.3}{100} \text{ mA} = 83 \mu\text{A}$$

Now,

$$I_C = \beta I_B = 45 \times 83 = 3.735 \text{ mA}$$

# Analysis (continue..)



Applying KVL around the output loop:

$$V_{RC} + V_{CE} - 9 = 0$$

$$V_{CE} = 9 - I_C R_C = 4.52 \text{ V}$$

Now,

$$V_C = -V_{RC} = -I_C R_C = -4.48 \text{ V}$$

$$\text{or } V_C = -V_{CE} + V_{EE}$$

And,

$$V_B = -V_{RB} = -I_B R_B = -8.3 \text{ V}$$

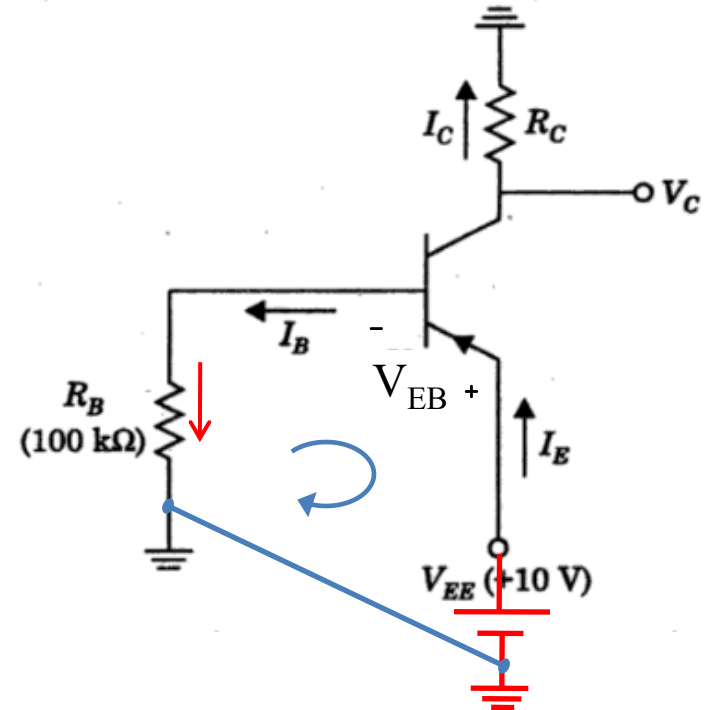
$$\text{or } V_B = V_{BE} - V_{EE}$$

# PNP Transistor

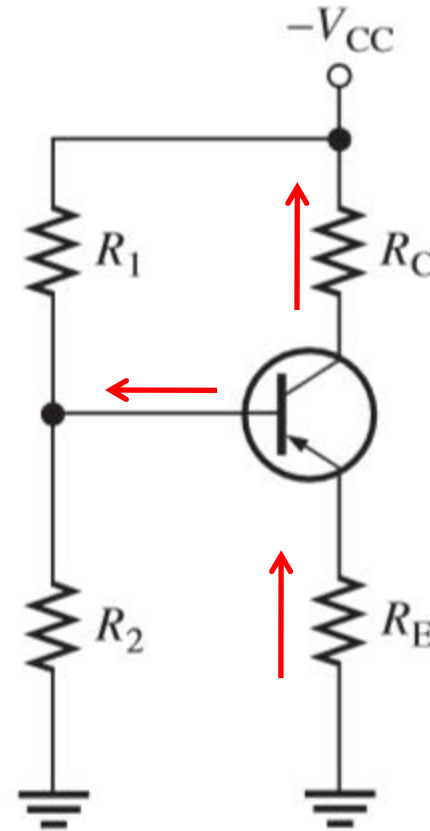
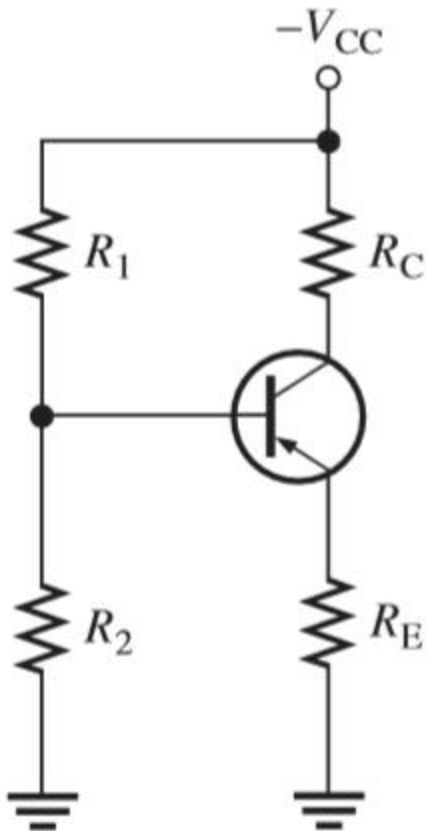
Applying KVL around the input loop:

$$V_{EE} - V_{EB} - I_B R_B = 0$$

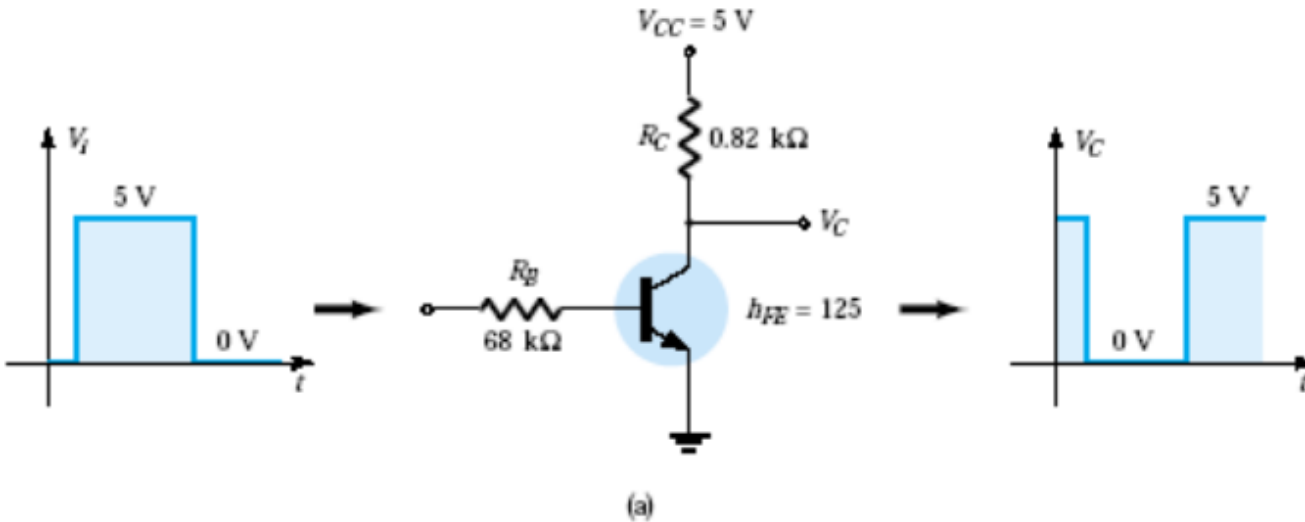
$$I_B = \frac{V_{EE} - V_{EB}}{R_B} = \frac{10 - 0.7}{100k} = 93\mu A$$



# Voltage divider bias

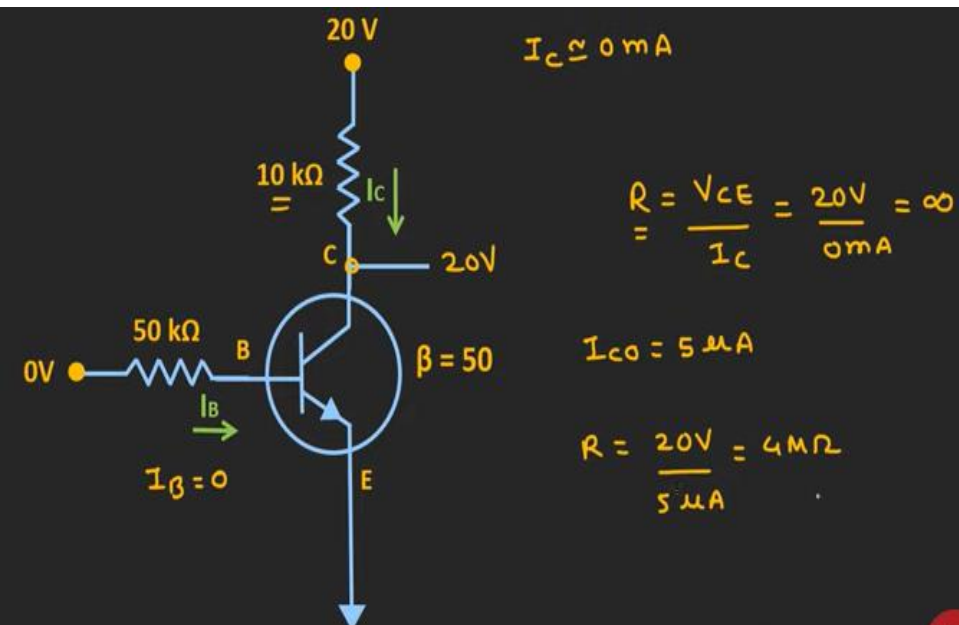


# TRANSISTOR SWITCHING NETWORKS

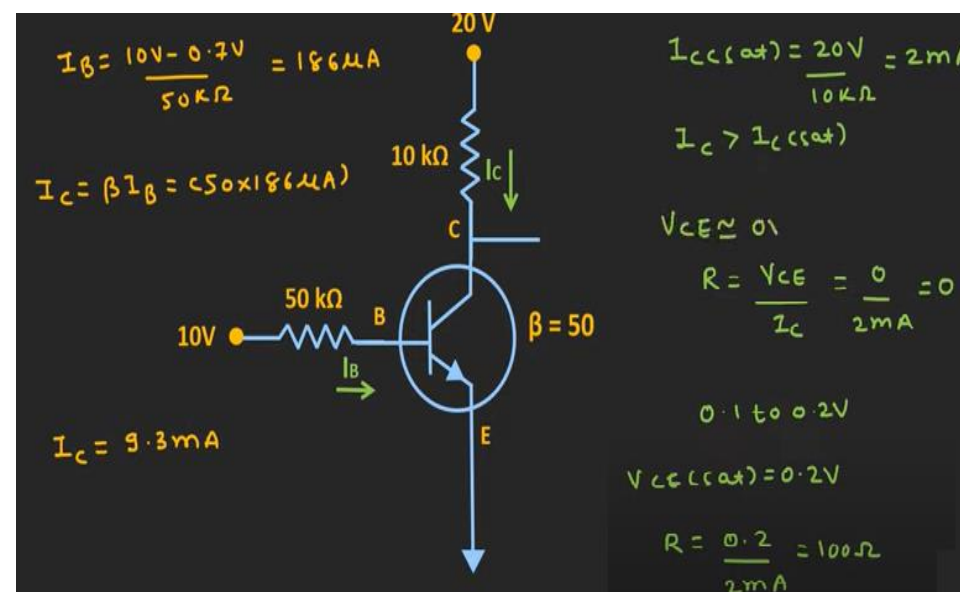


\*\* $h_{FE}$  refers to the forward current gain in a bipolar junction transistor (BJT) in the common-emitter configuration

Cutoff region of operation

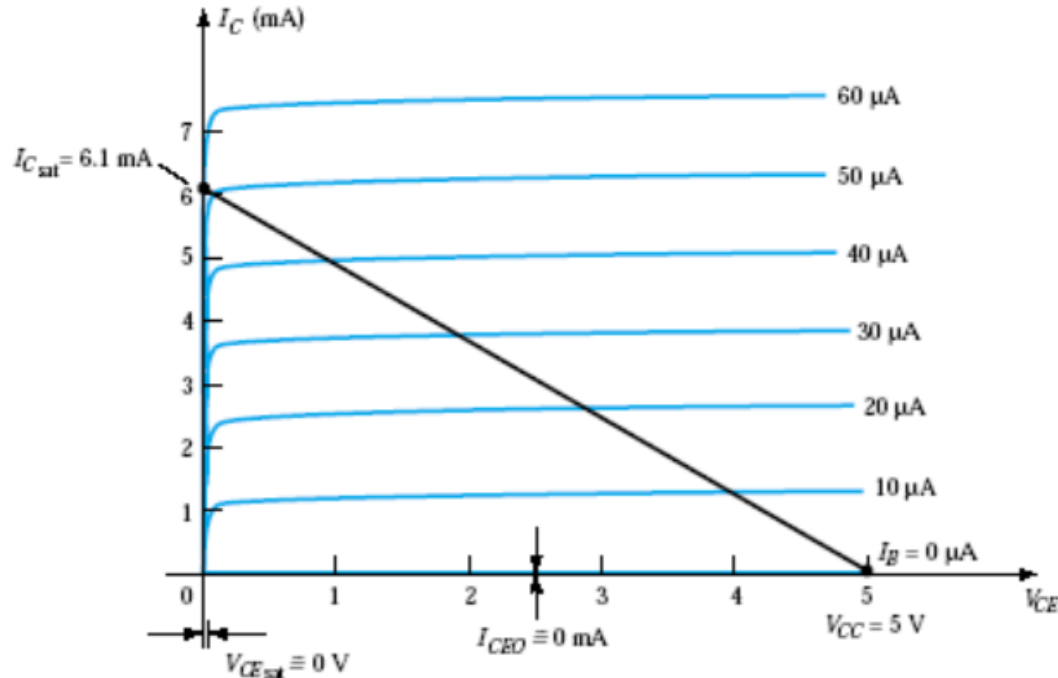


Saturation region of operation





# Confirming operating region



$$I_B = \frac{V_I - 0.7 \text{ V}}{R_B} = \frac{5 \text{ V} - 0.7 \text{ V}}{68 \text{ k}\Omega} = 63 \mu\text{A}$$

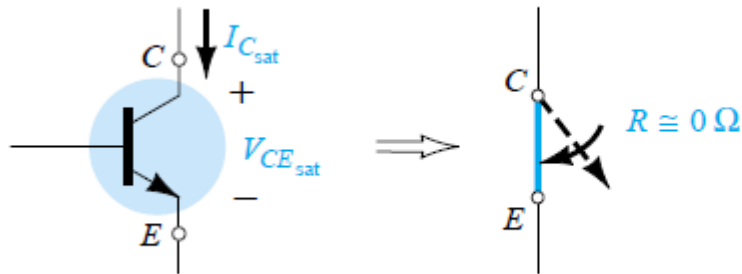
$$I_{C_{sat}} = \frac{V_{CC}}{R_C} = \frac{5 \text{ V}}{0.82 \text{ k}\Omega} \cong 6.1 \text{ mA}$$

$$I_B = 63 \mu\text{A} > \frac{I_{C_{sat}}}{\beta_{dc}} = \frac{6.1 \text{ mA}}{125} = 48.8 \mu\text{A}$$

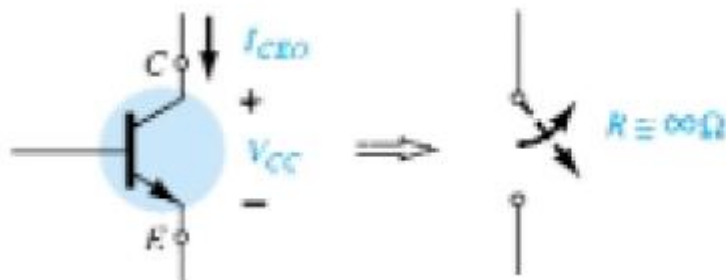
$$I_{C_{sat}} = \frac{V_{CC}}{R_C}$$

$$I_{B_{max}} \cong \frac{I_{C_{sat}}}{\beta_{dc}}$$

$$I_B > \frac{I_{C_{sat}}}{\beta_{dc}}$$



**Figure 4.53** Saturation conditions and the resulting terminal resistance.



**Figure 4.54** Cutoff conditions and the resulting terminal resistance.

# Example-4

Determine  $R_B$  and  $R_C$  for the transistor inverter of Fig. 4.55 if  $I_{C_{sat}} = 10 \text{ mA}$ .

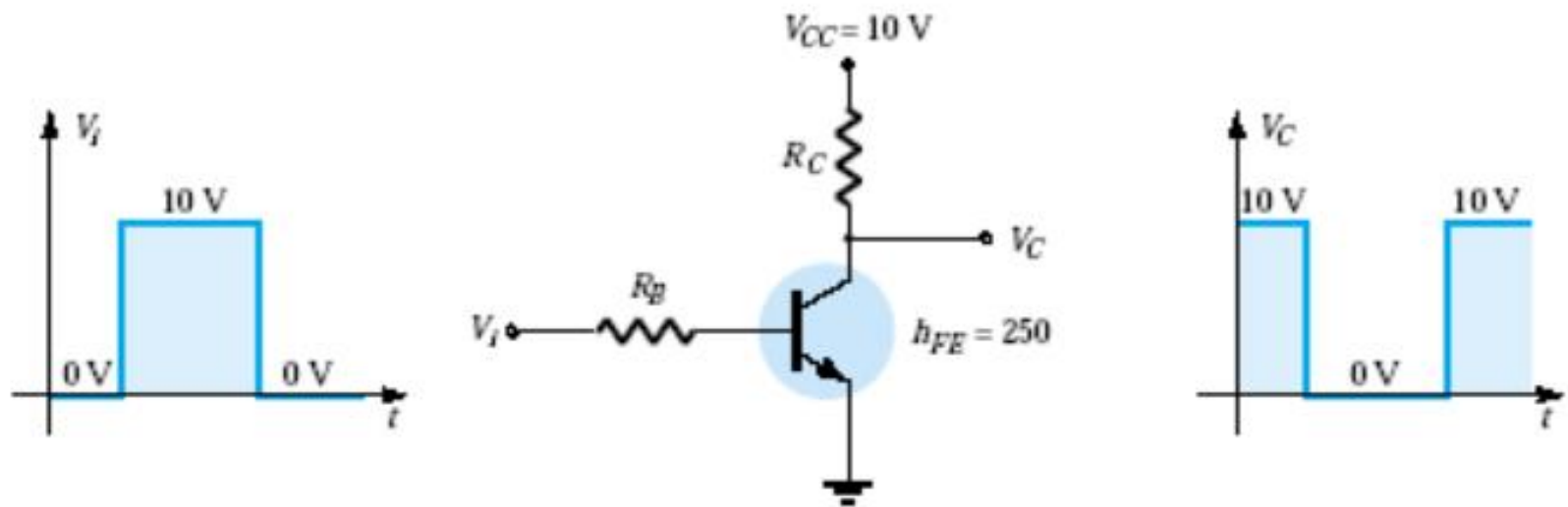


Figure 4.55 Inverter for Example 4.24.

**Calculation:** To fulfill the inverter design, BJT should operate in saturation mode

$$I_{C_{sat}} = \frac{V_{CC}}{R_C}$$

and

$$10 \text{ mA} = \frac{10 \text{ V}}{R_C}$$

so that

$$R_C = \frac{10 \text{ V}}{10 \text{ mA}} = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$$

At saturation:

$$I_B \cong \frac{I_{C_{sat}}}{\beta_{dc}} = \frac{10 \text{ mA}}{250} = 40 \mu\text{A}$$

Choosing  $I_B = 60 \mu\text{A}$  to ensure saturation and using

$$I_B = \frac{V_I - 0.7 \text{ V}}{R_B}$$

## Calculation (continue..)

we obtain 
$$R_B = \frac{V_i - 0.7 \text{ V}}{I_B} = \frac{10 \text{ V} - 0.7 \text{ V}}{60 \mu\text{A}} = 155 \text{ k}\Omega$$

Choose  $R_B = 150 \text{ k}\Omega$ , which is a standard value. Then

$$I_B = \frac{V_i - 0.7 \text{ V}}{R_B} = \frac{10 \text{ V} - 0.7 \text{ V}}{150 \text{ k}\Omega} = 62 \mu\text{A}$$

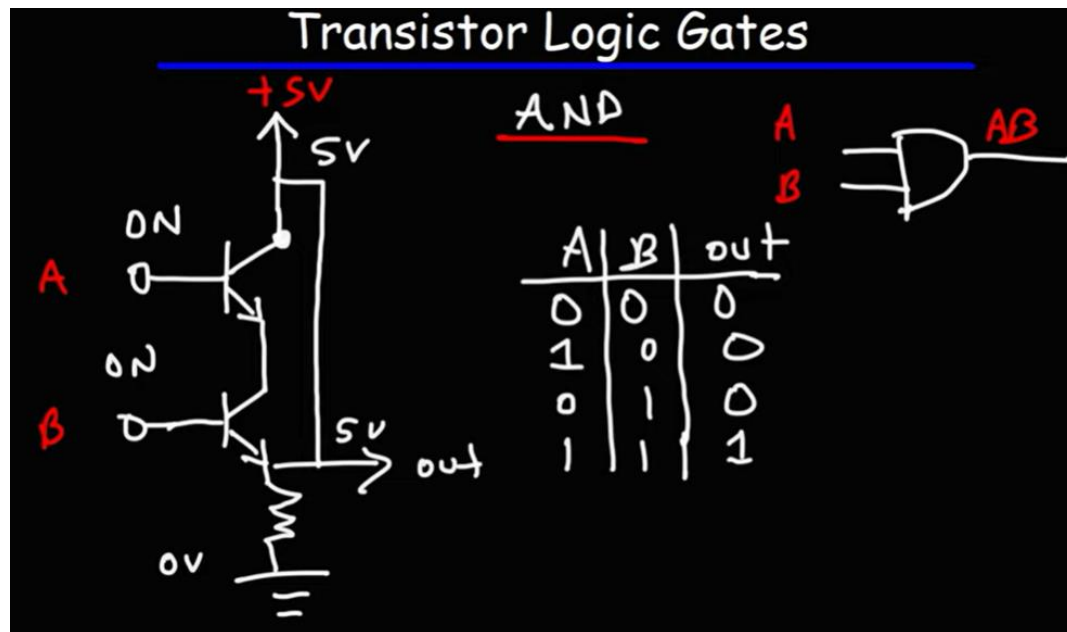
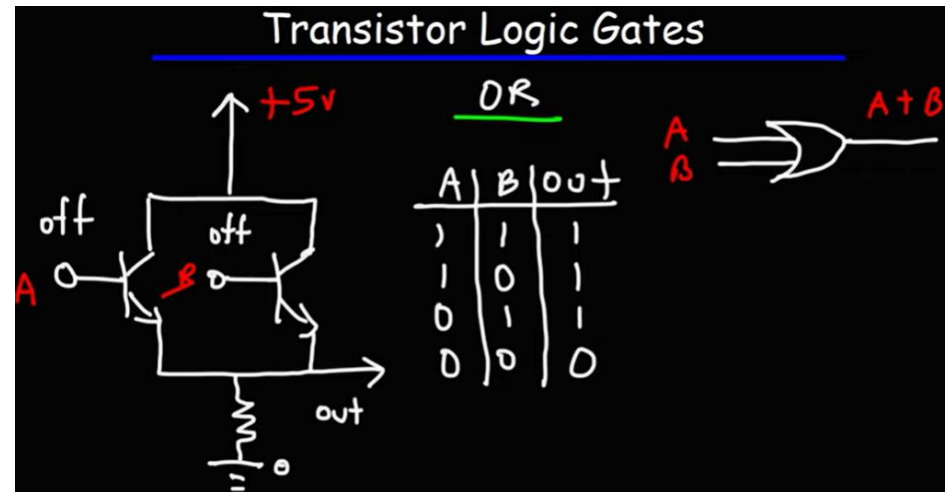
and 
$$I_B = 62 \mu\text{A} > \frac{I_{C_{\text{sat}}}}{\beta_{\text{dc}}} = 40 \mu\text{A}$$

Therefore, use  $R_B = 150 \text{ k}\Omega$  and  $R_C = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$ .

# Transistor Logic Gates - NAND, AND, OR, NOR

Explain how can you design logic gates (AND, OR, NOR,...) by using BJT?????

It is homework??? See the video and learn this.



# Bias stability

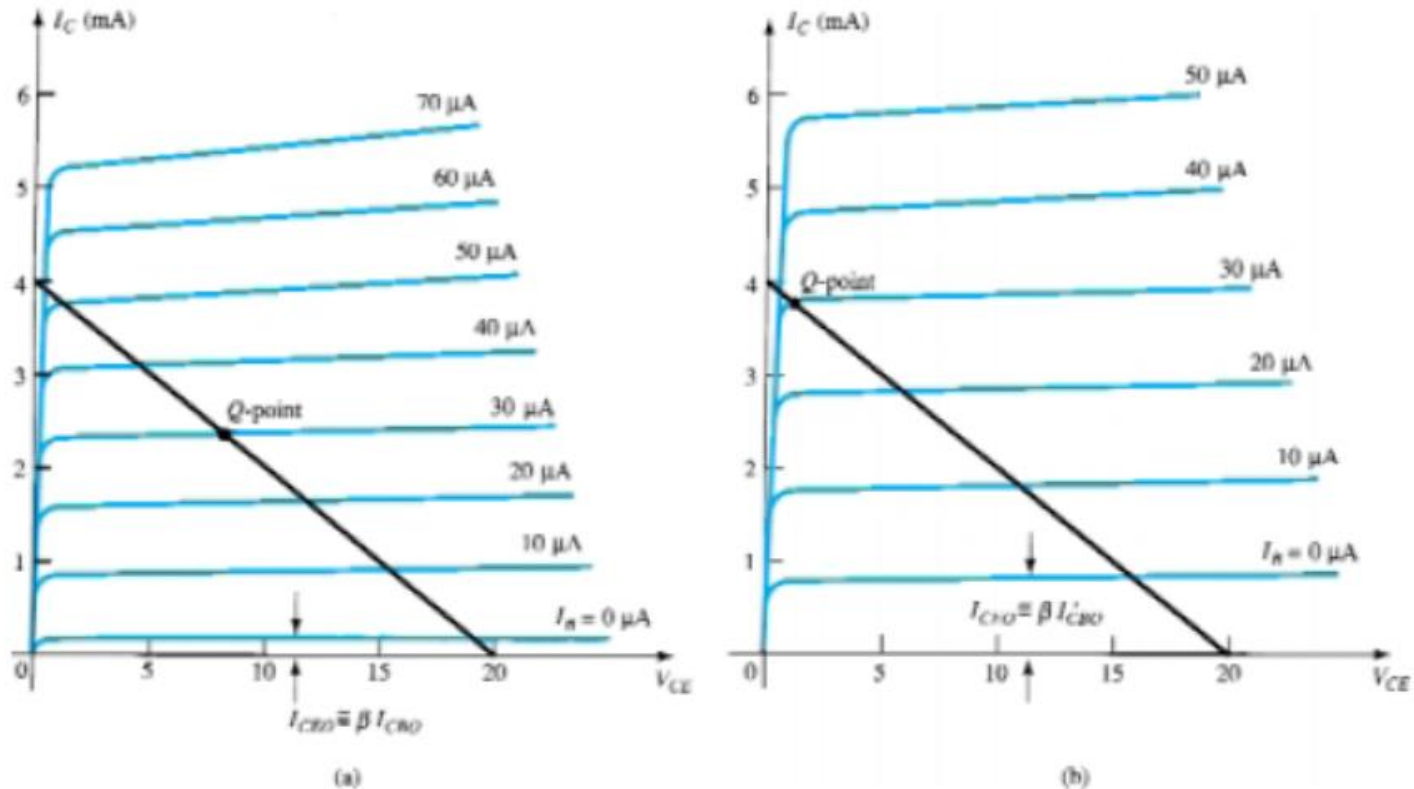
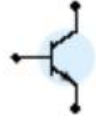
The stability of a system is a measure of the sensitivity of a network to variations in its parameters. In any amplifier employing a transistor the collector current  $I_C$  is sensitive to each of the following parameters:

$\beta$ : increases with increase in temperature

$|V_{BE}|$ : decreases about 7.5 mV per degree Celsius ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) increase in temperature

$I_{CO}$  (reverse saturation current): doubles in value for every  $10^{\circ}\text{C}$  increase in temperature

# Effect of temperature variation



**Figure 4.63** Shift in dc bias point ( $Q$ -point) due to change in temperature: (a) 25°C; (b) 100°C.



# Stability of biasing circuits

$$S(I_{CO}) = \frac{\Delta I_C}{\Delta I_{CO}}$$

$$S(V_{BE}) = \frac{\Delta I_C}{\Delta V_{BE}}$$

$$S(\beta) = \frac{\Delta I_C}{\Delta \beta}$$

Fixed bias:

$$I_C = \beta I_B = \beta \frac{V_{CC} - V_{BE}}{R_B}$$

Emitter stabilized bias:

$$I_C = \beta I_B = \beta \frac{V_{CC} - V_{BE}}{R_B + (\beta + 1)R_E} \cong \beta \frac{V_{CC} - V_{BE}}{R_B + \beta R_E}$$

Voltage divider bias:

$$I_C = \beta I_B = \beta \frac{V_{TH} - V_{BE}}{R_{TH} + (\beta + 1)R_E} \cong \beta \frac{V_{TH} - V_{BE}}{R_{TH} + \beta R_E}$$

# Stability Factor

## Bias Stabilization

**Stability:** It is the measure of the sensitivity of the circuit to the variation in the external parameters

## Bias Stabilization

**BJT: Collector Current ( $I_c$ )**

$\beta$ : Increases with increase in temperature

$V_{BE}$ : Decreases with increase in temperature

$I_{co}$  (Reverse Saturation Current):  
Increases with increase in temperature

Doubles in value with every  $10^\circ\text{C}$  increase in temperature

# Stability Factor

## Stability Factor

$$S(I_{CO}) = \frac{\Delta I_C}{\Delta I_{CO}}$$

$V_{BE}$  and  $\beta$  Constant

$$S(V_{BE}) = \frac{\Delta I_C}{\Delta V_{BE}}$$

$I_{CO}$  and  $\beta$  Constant

$$S(\beta) = \frac{\Delta I_C}{\Delta \beta}$$

$I_{CO}$  and  $V_{BE}$  Constant

The above equation could be implemented for all above studied BJT configurations.

# Derivation of Stability Factor

## Voltage divider Bias for example

### Stability Factor

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

$$S = \left. \frac{\partial I_C}{\partial I_{CBO}} \right|_{V_{BE}, \beta}$$

$$\frac{\partial I_C}{\partial I_C} = \beta \frac{\partial I_B}{\partial I_C} + (\beta + 1) \frac{\partial I_{CBO}}{\partial I_C}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - \beta \frac{\partial I_B}{\partial I_C} = (\beta + 1) \times \frac{1}{S} \Rightarrow S = \frac{(\beta + 1)}{1 - \beta \frac{\partial I_B}{\partial I_C}}$$

By using KVL and

$$I_E = I_C + I_B$$

$$V_{TH} - I_B R_{TH} - V_{BE} - I_E R_E = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow V_{TH} - I_B R_{TH} - V_{BE} - (I_C + I_B) R_E = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow I_B (R_{TH} + R_E) = V_{TH} - V_{BE} - I_C R_E$$

$$\Rightarrow I_B = \frac{V_{TH} - V_{BE} - I_C R_E}{R_{TH} + R_E}$$

$$\frac{\partial I_B}{\partial I_C} = \frac{-R_E}{R_{TH} + R_E}$$

Derive the stability factor equations for Voltage divider bias, emitter stabilised bias , .....configurations. For example,....

### $S(I_{C0})$ : EMITTER-BIAS CONFIGURATION

For the emitter-bias configuration, an analysis of the network will result in

$$S(I_{C0}) = (\beta + 1) \frac{1 + R_B/R_E}{(\beta + 1) + R_B/R_E}$$

(4.54)

## Voltage-Divider Bias Configuration

$$S(I_{CO}) = (\beta + 1) \frac{1 + R_{Th}/R_E}{(\beta + 1) + R_{Th}/R_E} \quad (4.59)$$

## Feedback-Bias Configuration ( $R_E \gg 0 \ \Omega$ )

$$S(I_{CO}) = (\beta + 1) \frac{1 + R_B/R_C}{(\beta + 1) + R_B/R_C} \quad (4.60)$$

$S(V_{BE})$

The stability factor defined by

$$S(V_{BE}) = \frac{\Delta I_C}{\Delta V_{BE}}$$

will result in the following equation for the emitter-bias configuration:

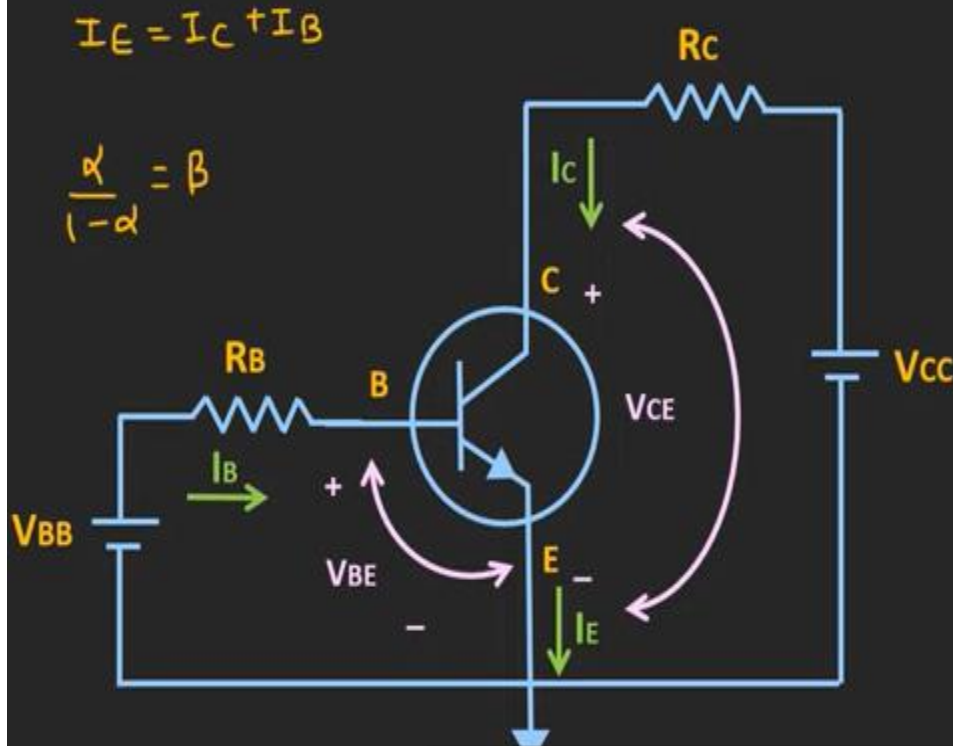
$$S(V_{BE}) = \frac{-\beta}{R_B + (\beta + 1)R_E} \quad (4.64)$$

Practice yourself and send me  
your feedback, if any.

# ICBO is high in CE configuration, Why ?

When  $I_B = 0$ , we are getting  $I_{CBO}$

## Common Emitter (CE) Configuration



$$I_C = \alpha I_E + I_{CBO}$$
$$\Rightarrow I_C = \alpha (I_C + I_B) + I_{CBO}$$
$$\Rightarrow (1 - \alpha) I_C = \alpha I_B + I_{CBO}$$
$$\Rightarrow I_C = \frac{\alpha}{1 - \alpha} I_B + \frac{1}{1 - \alpha} I_{CBO}$$
$$\Rightarrow I_C = \beta I_B + \frac{1}{1 - \alpha} I_{CBO}$$

# Summary

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- Biasing is necessary to fix-up the Q-pt.
- For distortion less maximum amplification, mid-pt biasing is required.
- Thumb rule for mid-pt biasing-

$$V_{CEQ} = \frac{1}{2} V_{CE, \text{cut-off}} = \frac{1}{2} V_{CC} \qquad I_{CQ} = \frac{1}{2} I_{C, \text{Sat}}$$

- Bias stability is important, dependency to beta variation should be minimized.
- Practice both biasing circuit analysis and design.

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