ECSE-2210 Microelectronics Technology Homework 8

Reading List: Chapter 10, Chapter 11 (pages 389 - 403)

1. Consider an npn transistor with doping concentration and dimensions shown below.

Answer the following questions.

- a. If $V_{BC} = 0$, and $I_C = 1$ mA, what is value of V_{BE} ?
- b. With the transistor biased as in (a), what is the component of the base current due to recombination in the base region?
- c. With the transistor biased as in (a), what is the component of the base current due to injection of holes into the emitter region?
- d. What is the value of the emitter injection efficiency, γ ?
- e. What is the value of the base transport factor, α_T ?
- f. What is the value of the common emitter current gain, β_{dc} ?
- g. If $V_{\rm BE}$ is held constant at the value found in (a), and the collector-to-base voltage is increased so as to reduce the width of the neutral base region, $W_{\rm B}$, to 10^{-4} cm, what is the common emitter current gain, $\beta_{\rm dc}$ now? Note that this is called "base width modulation" (also called "Early effect") which is common in narrow base-width transistors.

Area $A = 1 \text{ cm}^2$

