

PSC: Assignment on BJTs

1. (a) In a bipolar transistor biased in the forward-active region, the base current is $i_B = 6.0 \mu\text{A}$ and the collector current is $i_C = 510 \mu\text{A}$. Determine β , α , and i_E . (Note that $i_E = i_C + i_B$.) (b) Repeat part (a) if $i_B = 50 \mu\text{A}$ and $i_C = 2.65 \text{ mA}$.
2. A silicon npn bipolar transistor is uniformly doped and biased in the forward-active region. The neutral base width is $x_B = 0.8 \mu\text{m}$. The transistor doping concentrations are $N_E = 5 \times 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, $N_B = 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, and $N_C = 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$. (a) Calculate the values of p_{E0} , n_{B0} , and p_{C0} . (b) For $V_{BE} = 0.625 \text{ V}$, determine n_B at $x = 0$ and p_E at $x' = 0$. (c) Sketch the minority carrier concentrations through the device and label each curve.
3. A uniformly doped silicon pnp transistor is biased in the forward-active mode. The doping concentrations are $N_E = 10^{18} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, $N_B = 5 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, and $N_C = 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$. (a) Calculate the values of n_{E0} , p_{B0} , and n_{C0} . (b) For $V_{EB} = 0.650 \text{ V}$, determine p_B at $x = 0$ and n_E at $x' = 0$. (c) Sketch the minority carrier concentrations through the device and label each curve.
4. An npn silicon bipolar transistor at $T = 300 \text{ K}$ has uniform dopings of $N_E = 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, $N_B = 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, and $N_C = 7 \times 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$. The transistor is operating in the inverse-active mode with $V_{BE} = -2 \text{ V}$ and $V_{BC} = 0.565 \text{ V}$. (a) Sketch the minority carrier distribution through the device. (b) Determine the minority carrier concentrations at $x = x_B$ and $x'' = 0$. (c) If the metallurgical base width is $1.2 \mu\text{m}$, determine the neutral base width.
5. The following currents are measured in a uniformly doped npn bipolar transistor:

$I_{EE} = 1.20 \text{ mA}$	$I_{CC} = 0.10 \text{ mA}$
$I_{nC} = 1.18 \text{ mA}$	$I_R = 0.20 \text{ mA}$
$I_G = 0.001 \text{ mA}$	$I_{pC0} = 0.001 \text{ mA}$

Determine (a) α , (b) γ , (c) α_T , (d) δ , and (e) β .