# Lecture 13

**Transistors** 

#### Stuff

• Vote on Piazza poll for waldo music. Poll closes Tuesday.

#### Party Rock anthem by LMFAO

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KQ6zr6kCPj8

#### **Black Sheep** by Metric

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=USfoTGFGARE

#### **How Dare You Want More by Bleachers**

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gu-Ctqe4DPU

#### **Hello** by OMFG

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ih2xubMaZWI https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jx4N-AP-ItI

#### ABBA dancing queen

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xFrGuyw1V8s https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bla98LPpJT8

#### Gimme! Gimme! by Abba!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XEjLoHdbVeEhttps://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BhrFOIobXZ0

#### Feel It Still by Portugal. The Man

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pBkHHoOIIn8 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=932n5qEyOsk

#### **Uptown Funk**

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OPf0YbXqDm0 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5zKAAjQgETk

#### Single Ladies (mix)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mlyiu-RWwcE

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- 2. Under the *About* tab, click on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion.
- 3. Links to the DEI Scholarship info, and the DEI Scholarship Application are under "MEAM DEI Resources & Opportunities".

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# Agenda

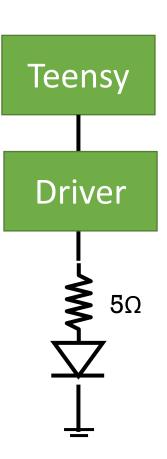
- Bipolar Junction Transistors
- MOSFET and output drivers
- BJT vs MOSFET

#### When will we use Transistors in 510?

• Anyplace we need a switch, but in particular:

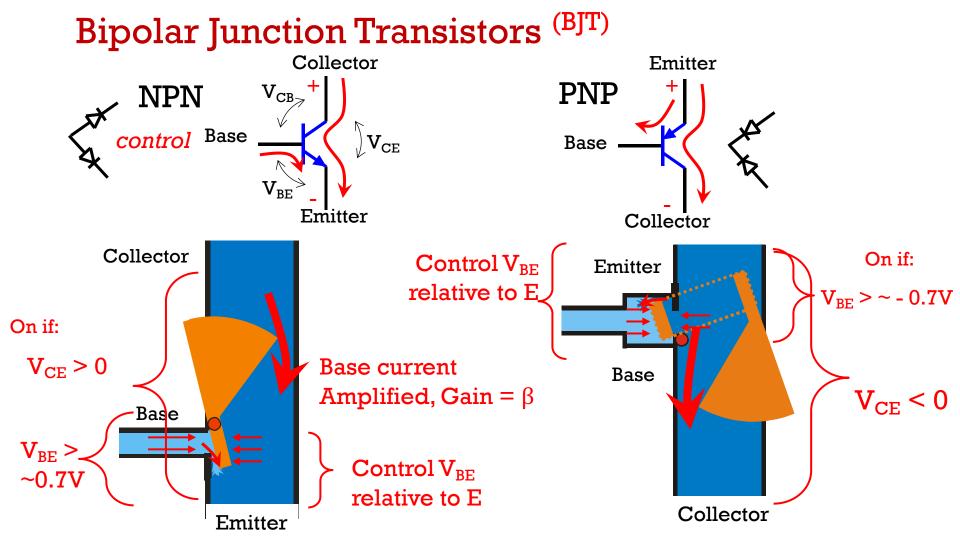
- What do we do if we want to turn on a motor that needs 500mA? (Teensy outputs can only drive 40mA)
- Or make 100 LED's blink together?
- Or one really bright LED that takes 1A?

• We can use transistors as large current drivers

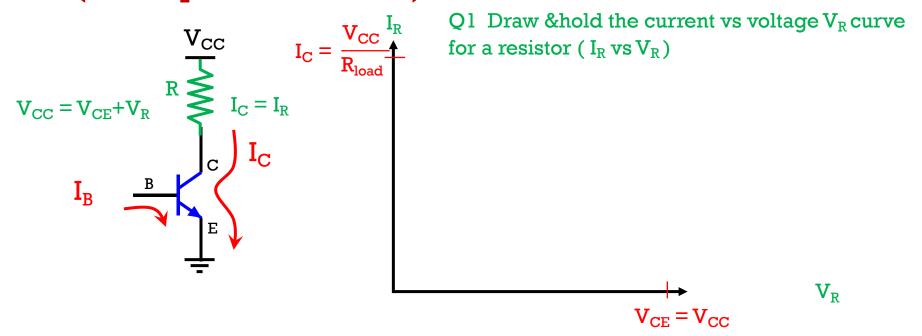


# 01

# Bipolar Junction Transistors (BJT)



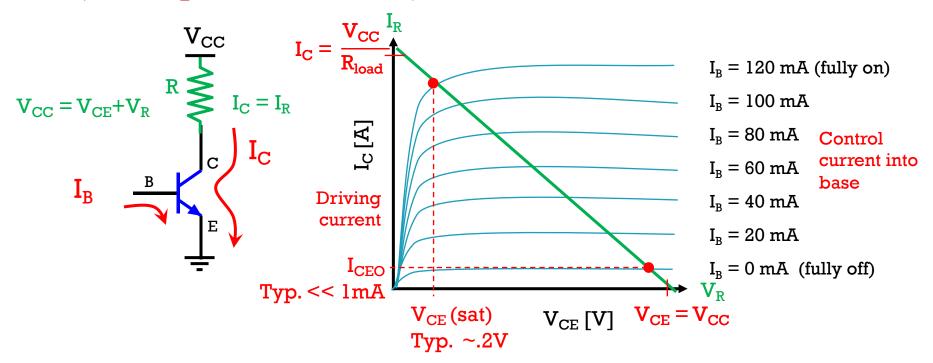
# Example BJT Transistor behavior (recall phototransistor)



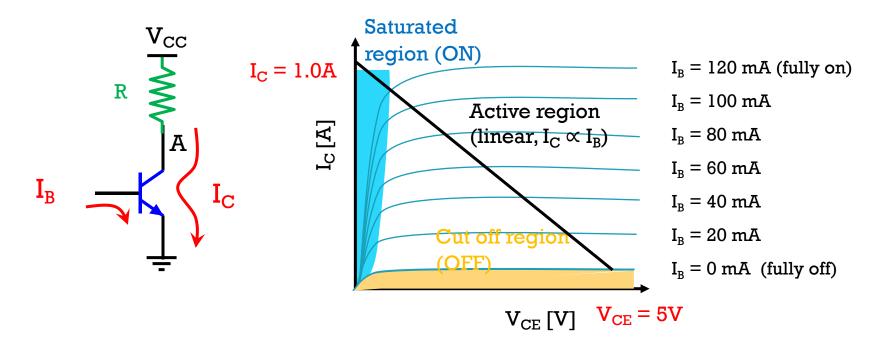
Q2 Draw &hold the current vs voltage curve for the ( $I_R$  vs  $V_{CE}$ ) where  $V_{CC}$  is contant and we vary  $V_{CE}$ 

https://www.electronics-tutorials.ws/transistor/tran 4.html

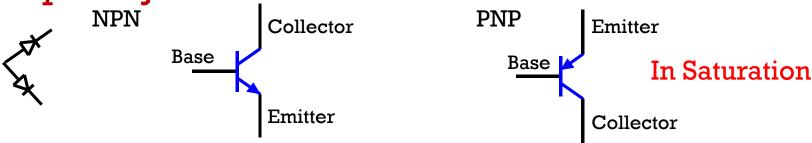
# Example BJT Transistor behavior (recall phototransistor)



### BJT Transistor as a switch



## Bipolar Junction Transistors used as switches



How do we get them turned on?

Forward bias the Base:Emitter Junction

 $V_{RE} > \sim 0.7V$ 

Supply current to base

How much current?

In saturation, gain  $\sim = 10$  (different than  $\beta$ )

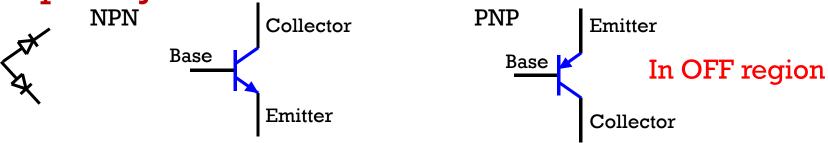
~1/10th as much as desired Collector: Emitter current

How do we know if transistor is in saturation?

V<sub>CE</sub> will drop to about 0.2V If nothing else limits voltage

Thus Base: Collector junction also forward biased

## Bipolar Junction Transistors used as switches



How do we get them turned OFF?

Reverse bias the Base:Emitter Junction

$$V_{RE} < \sim 0.7V$$

(e.g. set 
$$V_{Base} = V_{Emitter} = 0V$$
)

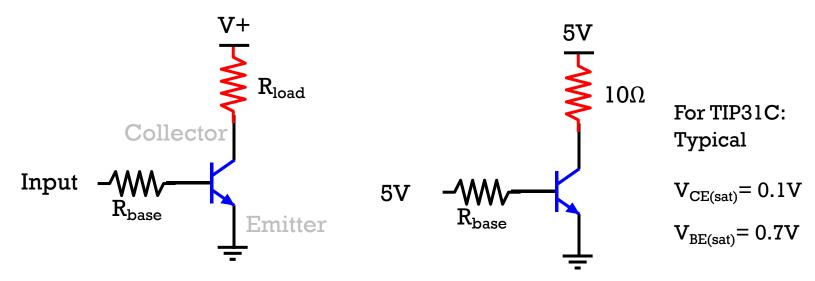
No current will flow  $(I_C = 0)$ 

How do we know if transistor is OFF?

 $V_{\text{CE}}$  will act as open switch infinite resistance

### Example NPN

• Open collector (simplest switching transistor configuration)

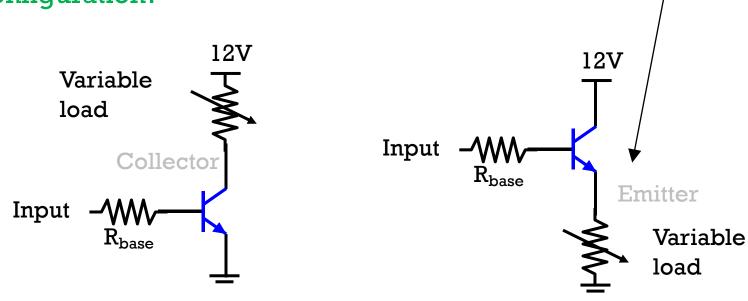


Q3 Find the value for  $R_{\text{base}}$  that will ensure the transistor is ON

Q4 If we don't have that value. Do we want larger or smaller  $\Omega$  to be ON?

### V<sub>BE</sub> emitter reference

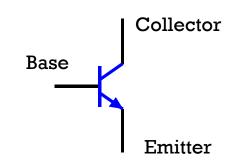
Q5 What is the *disadvantage* of using the open emitter configuration?



### BJT Quiz:

• If the voltage at the **emitter** is 5V what voltage do we need at the base to turn the transistor on?

- A. 6V
- B. 5V
- C. OV
- If the voltage at the collector is 5V what voltage do we need at the base to turn on the NPN transistor?
  - A. 6V
  - B. OV
  - C. Not enough info.
- How much current will flow if on?
  - A. About 1x current into base
  - B. About 10x current into base
  - C. About 100x current into base



NPN

### V<sub>BE</sub> emitter reference

• What is the disadvantage of using the open emitter configuration?

If you need to not be a second configuration of the open emitter and the open emitter are to be a second configuration.

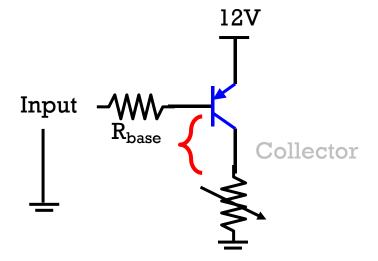
Variable load

Collector

Input

R<sub>base</sub>

If you need to need a **high side drive**, use PNP!

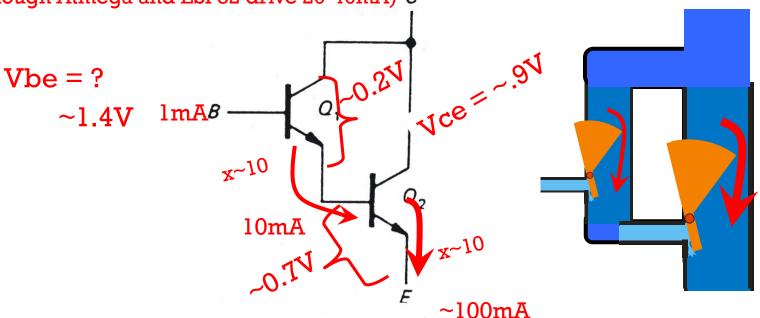


V<sub>BE</sub> better if relative to same reference as input voltage (e.g. ground)

## High gain outputs

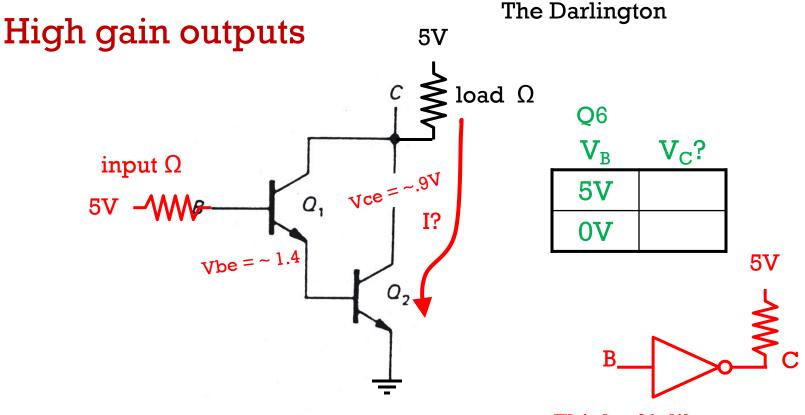
Logic outputs typically drive <10mA (though Atmega and ESP32 drive 20-40mA) C

Darlington Pair (cascaded transistors)



Typ. Gain in saturation >100

note: Vce may increase some with I<sub>C</sub>



Think of it like an O.C inverter, except output doesn't go down to 0V

#### ULN2001A THRU ULN2004A DARLINGTON TRANSISTOR ARRAYS

SLRS027 - D2624, DECEMBER 1976 - REVISED APRIL 1993

#### HIGH-VOLTAGE HIGH-CURRENT DARLINGTON TRANSISTOR ARRAYS

- 500-mA Rated Collector Current (Single Output)

  High Voltage Outputs . . . 50 V
- Output Clamp Diodes
- Inputs Compatible With Various Types of Logic
- Relay Driver Applications
- Designed to Be Interchangeable With Sprague ULN2001A Series

D OR N PACKAGE (TOP VIEW)

7 Darlingtons

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1B [	1	1	16	1C
2B [	2	1	15	2C
3B [	3	1	4	3C
4B [	4	1	3	4C
5B [	5	1	2	5C
6B [	6	1	11	6C
7B [	7	1	0	7C
E[	8		9	] COM

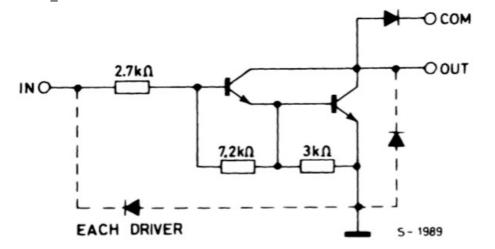
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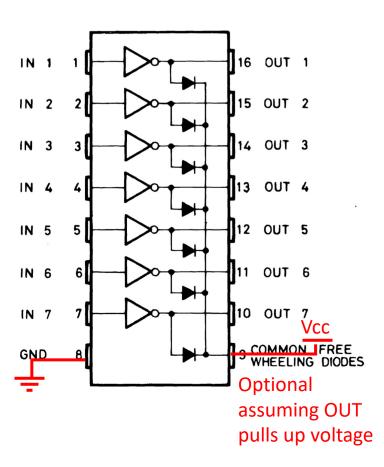
The ULN2001A, ULN2002A, ULN2003A, and ULN2004A are monolithic high-voltage, high-current Darlington transistor arrays. Each consists of seven npn Darlington pairs that feature high-voltage outputs with common-cathode clamp diodes for switching inductive loads. The collector-current rating of a single Darlington pair is 500 mA. The Darlington pairs may be paralleled for higher current capability. Applications include relay drivers, hammer drivers, lamp drivers, display drivers (LED and gas discharge), line drivers, and logic buffers. For 100-V (otherwise interchangeable) versions, see the SN75465 through SN75469.

The ULN2001A is a general-purpose array and can be used with TTL P-MOS CMOS and other MOS technologies. The ULN2002A is specifically designed for use with 14- to 25-V P-MOS devices. Each input of this device has a zener diode and resistor in series to control the input current to a safe limit. The ULN2003A has a 2.7-k $\Omega$  series base resistor for each Darlington pair for operation directly with TTL or 5-V CMOS devices. The ULN2004A has a 10.5-k $\Omega$  series base resistor to allow its operation directly from CMOS or P-MOS devices that use supply voltages of 6 to 15 V. The required input current of the ULN2004A is below that of the ULN2003A, and the required voltage is less than that required by the ULN2002A.

### ULN2003A (in ministore)

- We can choose Vcc (e.g., 5 or 12V)
- You can drive inputs with TTL (e.g., 5V)
- Open collector outputs (COM) is optional for protection – need pullup on output





## Sample use with ULN2003A:

Q7 What values from the ULN datasheet are important if we want to maximize brightness of LED? https://www.ti.com/lit/ds/symlink/uln2003a.pdf (pg 5)

Q8 What resistor would we use if LED Vf = 2V?

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Resistor on input?

Could be LED or Motor or Solenoid

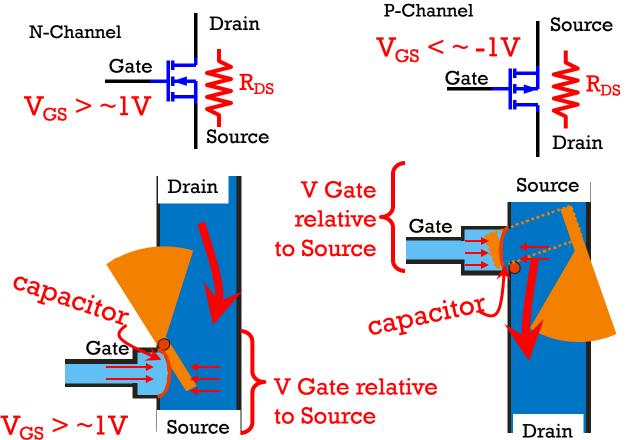
5V

We want to set the load resistor if we want 500mA through LED?

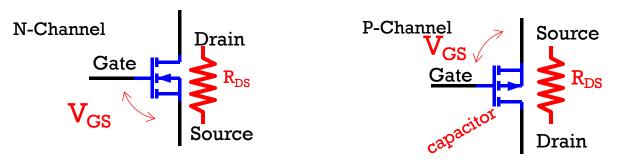
# 02

MOSFET and output drivers

## MOSFETs (Metal Oxide Semiconductor Field Effect Transistor) (enhancement mode)



## MOSFETs (Metal Oxide Semiconductor Field Effect Transistor) used as Switches ON



How do we get them turned ON?

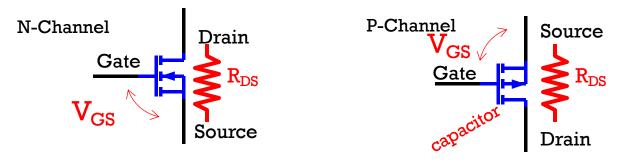
$$\frac{Ranges \ 1\text{-}8V}{|V_{GS}| > Threshold} \ \text{N-Channel: positive,} \ \text{P-Channel: negative}$$

Note, very little current flows through the gate, but capacitance at gate must be charged (or drained) which takes time

How do we know if we have been successful?

 $R_{DS}$  will drop to a low value Can be <<1 ohm

## MOSFETs (Metal Oxide Semiconductor Field Effect Transistor) used as Switches OFF



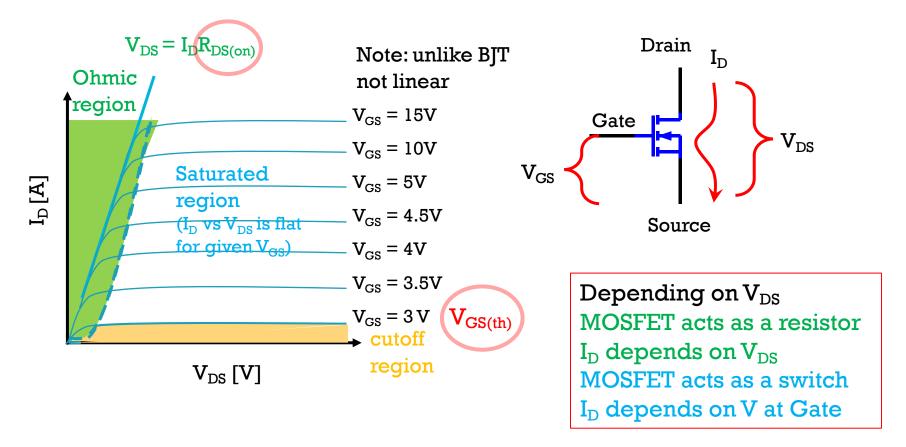
How do we get them turned OFF?

$$|V_{GS}|$$
 < Threshold e.g. N-Channel: G = S, P-Channel G = S   
  $R_{DS(off)}$  very high -> open circuit

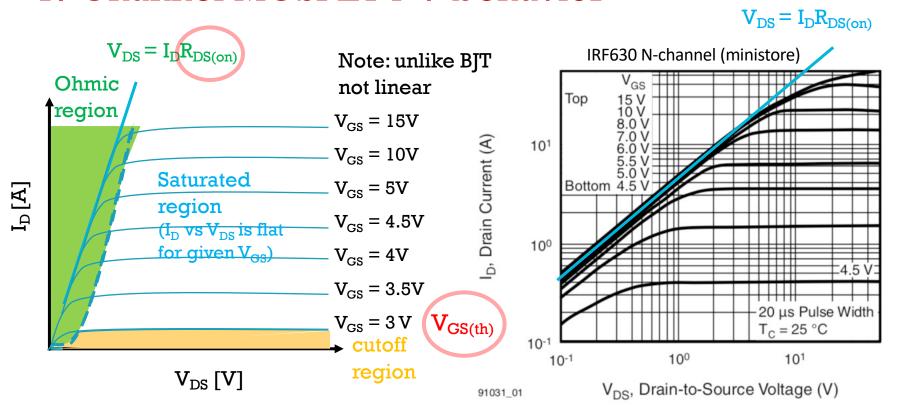
How do we know if we have been successful?

R<sub>DS</sub> will be like open circuit

### N-Channel MOSFET I-V behavior



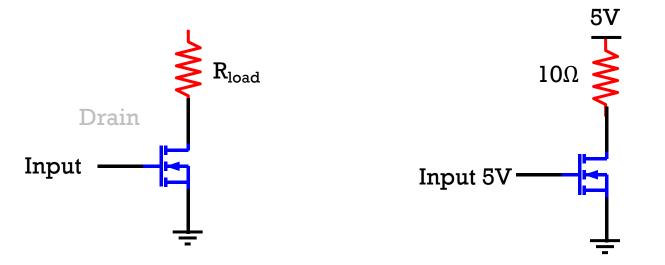
### N-Channel MOSFET I-V behavior



Note graph is Log/Log

## **Example MOSFET**

Open drain (simplest switching transistor configuration)

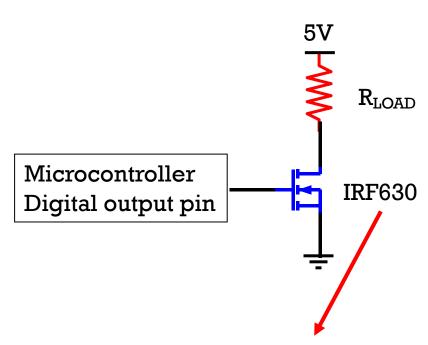


Q9: Why don't we need a resistor on the input as we did on BJT?

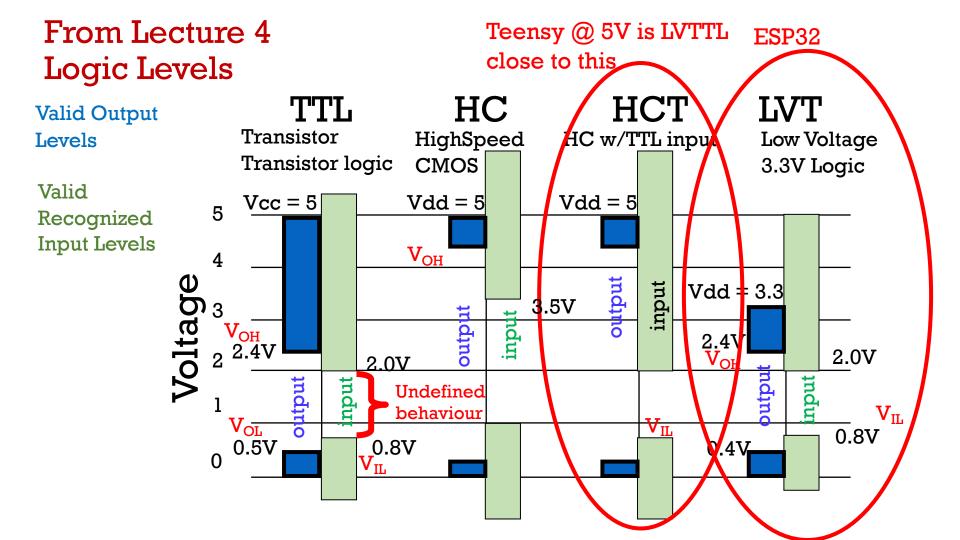
### Interfacing with microcontrollers

Q10: (yes/no) Will this circuit work with a microcontroller that has

- A) 3.3V logic like the ESP32
- B) HCT logic like the Teensy
- C) TTL logic

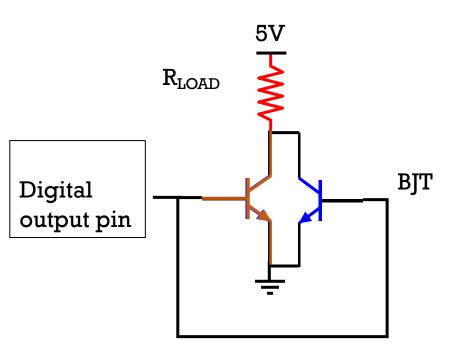


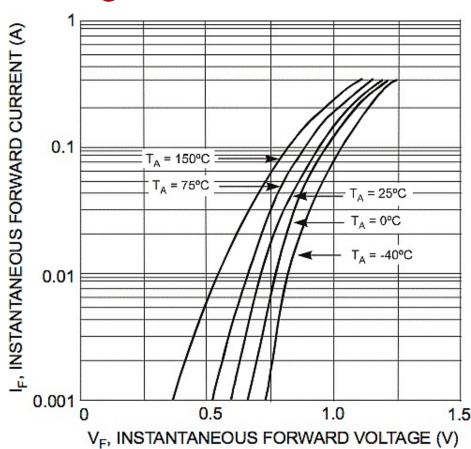
https://rocelec.widen.net/view/pdf/rfuyavpoxc/HRISD017-4-316.pdf (pg 3 or 5)



## Temperature Effects on Driving Currents

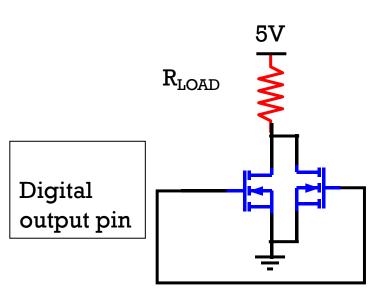
• Thermal runaway. Parallel silicon devices don't share equally.





## Positive R<sub>DS(on)</sub> Temperature Coefficient

- As Temperature goes up, what happens to  $R_{DS(on)}$ ?
- The main failure mode for drivers is getting too hot.



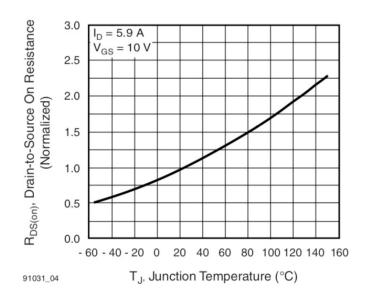


Fig. 4 - Normalized On-Resistance vs. Temperature

## Caveat, not true for low $V_{GS}$ , Depends on MOSFET

For IRF630, @ V<sub>GS</sub> = 4.5V, Temp coeff is negative!

For VGS= 8,10,15V, ID falls with higher temp, but VGS=4.5 and 5V ID goes UP!

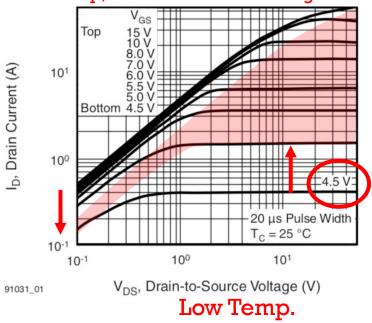


Fig. 1 - Typical Output Characteristics, T<sub>C</sub> = 25 °C

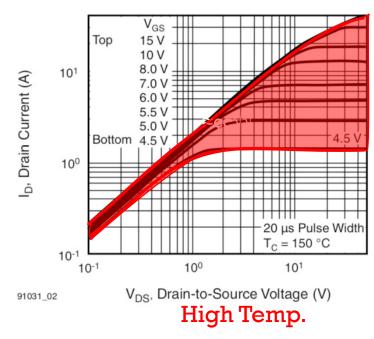
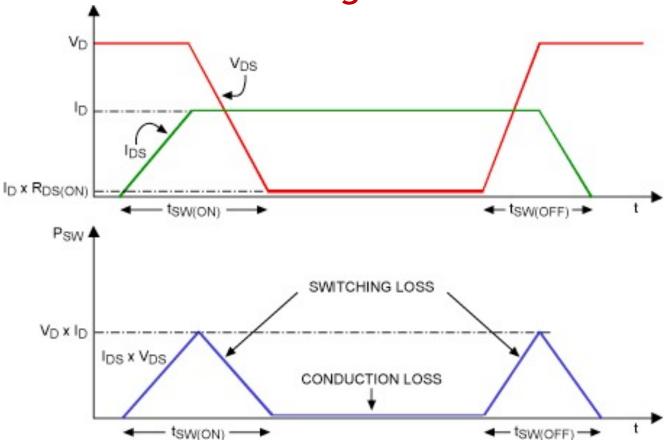


Fig. 2 -Typical Output Characteristics, T<sub>C</sub> = 150 °C

### Ministore MOSFETs

IRLB8721 25A N-channel MOSFET
IRF9520 6.8A P-Channel MOSFET
FQP8P10 4A P-Channel MOSFET
2N7000 75mA N-Channel MOSFET
IRF630 5.9A N-Channel MOSFET

## Power lost to heat through MOSFET



https://www.maximintegrated.com/en/app-notes/index.mvp/id/4266

## Choosing MOSFET drivers (for this class)

#### **Output Specifications**

- $R_{DS(on)}$  sets current capability (assuming you can heatsink device)
  - Can also look at continuous drain current

#### **Driving Specifications**

- V<sub>GS(th)</sub> Voltage required to turn on.
  - Older power MOSFETS require voltages larger than micro's normally supply > 5V (not compatible)
- Q<sub>G</sub> Total Gate Charge, don't want this to be too large otherwise may run into heating issues when using PWM
  - e.g., <20nC may be ok for this class (use slower PWM freq)

# 03 MOSFET vs BJT

### BJT vs MOSFET

#### **Driving**

- BJT's are driven by current in base
- BJT's require Vbe ~0.7V to start conducting

- MOSFETS require  $V_{GS(th)}$  to start (varies: 1-8V)
- MOSFETS are driven by voltage, Vgs

#### **Outputs**

BJT limited by Vce

- MOSFETS limited by Rds\_on
- MOSFETS can combine in parallel

#### Costs

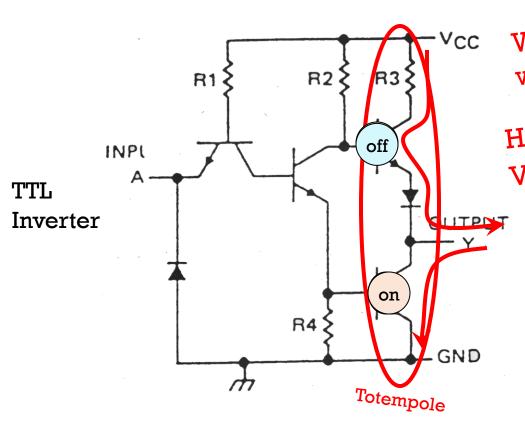
• BJT's are cheaper for switching small currents e.g.,  $I_C \sim 200 \text{mA}$ 

• MOSFETS are smaller and cheaper more efficient for switching larger currents e.g.,  $I_D > \sim 5A$ 

### From Lecture 4 Logic Levels

Why is TTL so TTLHC Valid Output assymetric? HighSpeed **Transistor** Levels Transistor logic **CMOS** Valid Vcc = 5 Vdd = 5Recognized Input Levels  $V_{OH}$ Voltage 3.5Voutpr 2.0V nput **Undefined** behaviour A Or 0.5V V8.0

# Digital Logic: Bipolar TTL output



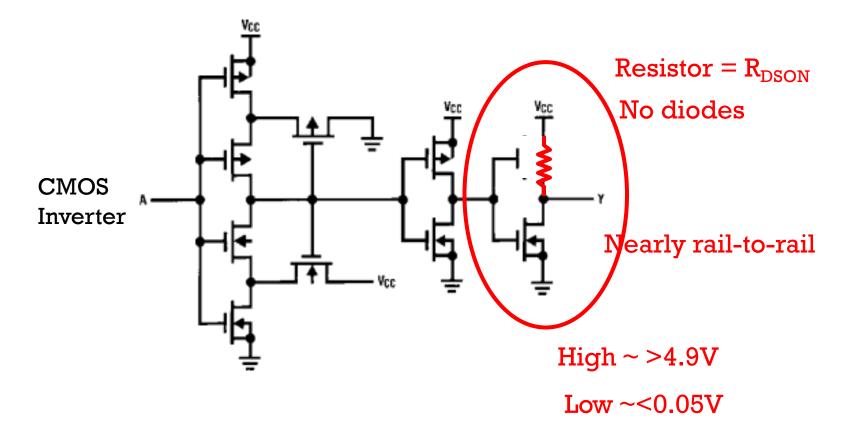
What is typical voltage at Y when ON?

High voltage is  $V_{OH} = V_{CC} - V_F - V_{CE}(sat) - V_{R3}$ 

What is typical voltage at Y when OFF?

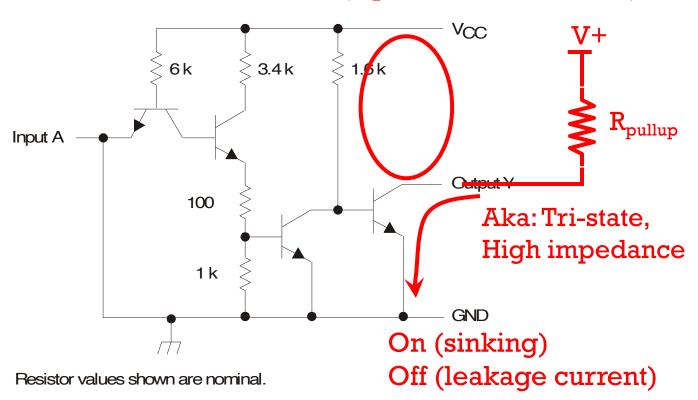
$$V_{\rm OL} = V_{\rm CE}(sat)$$

### Digital Logic: CMOS totem pole



#### Digital Logic: Open Collector

(Open drain for CMOS)



### Summary

- BJT are current controlled (ULN2003 is Darlington pair of BJT's)
- MOSFETs are voltage controlled
- MOSFETs are the trend for large current control
- Be sure to understand  $V_{\rm GS}$  characterstics of MOSFETs for your application

#### **Answer in Chat**

Answer how you feel about each topic below with:

- 1. I don't understand this topic at all
- 2. I don't know now, but know what to do to get by
- 3. I understand some, but expect to get the rest later
- 4. I understand completely already

- A. Transistor function (BJT)
- B. Transistor function(MOSFET)
- C. Using Transistors

# 04 (if time)

Extra stuff

# Aside – on coding (all valid);

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Which is better?
A:
int steps=1, bumpedflag=FALSE;
   or
                                     Gobal variables are all initialized to 0
B:
                                     (not true for local variables). But
int steps=1, bumpedflag;
                                    explicitly assigning to 0 doesn't hurt
   or
                                     and indicates intention
C:
int steps=1;
bool bumpedflag;
                            To use boolyou must #include <stdbool.h>
```

#### Aside – on coding;

Which is better?

# Aside – on coding 2;

```
From /usr/local/CrossPack-AVR/avr/include/avr/sfr defs.h (on mac)
#define bit_is_set(sfr, bit) (_SFR_BYTE(sfr) & _BV(bit))
#define _BV(bit) (1 << (bit))</pre>
#define _SFR_BYTE(sfr) _MMIO_BYTE(_SFR_ADDR(sfr))
#define _MMIO_BYTE(mem_addr) (*(volatile uint8_t *)(mem_addr))
->
bit_is_set(sfr, bit) ((*(volatile uint8_t *)(sfr)) & (1 << (bit)))
[mostly, skipping the part about casting the address pointer]
#define bit_is_set(sfr, bit) (_SFR_BYTE(sfr) & _BV(bit))
#define bit_is_clear(sfr, bit) (!(_SFR_BYTE(sfr) & _BV(bit)))
#define loop_until_bit_is_set(sfr, bit) do { } while (bit_is_clear(sfr, bit))
#define loop_until_bit_is_clear(sfr, bit) do { } while (bit_is_set(sfr, bit))
```

For C Casting tutorial see <a href="https://www.tutorialspoint.com/cprogramming/c">https://www.tutorialspoint.com/cprogramming/c</a> type casting.htm