

- 1- The terminal voltages of various *npn* transistors are measured during operation in their respective circuits with the following results:

Case	E	B	C	Mode
1	0	0.7	0.7	
2	0	0.8	0.1	
3	-0.7	0	0.7	
4	-0.7	0	-0.6	
5	0.7	0.7	0	
6	-2.7	-2.0	0	
7	0	0	5.0	
8	-0.1	0	5.0	

In this table, where the entries are in volts, 0 indicates the reference terminal to which the black (negative) probe of the voltmeter is connected. For each case, identify the mode of operation of the transistor. (Note that case 5 is a little tricky: To understand this situation, note that although the transistor is not symmetrical it can be operated with the roles of the emitter and collector interchanged in a so-called inverted mode.)

- 2- An *npn* transistor has an emitter area of $10 \mu\text{m} \times 10 \mu\text{m}$. The doping concentrations are: in the emitter $N_D = 10^{19}/\text{cm}^3$, in the base $N_A = 10^{17}/\text{cm}^3$, and in the collector $N_D = 10^{15}/\text{cm}^3$. The transistor is operating at $T = 300 \text{ K}$, where $n_i = 1.5 \times 10^{10}/\text{cm}^3$. For electrons diffusing in the base: $L_n = 19 \mu\text{m}$ and $D_n = 21.3 \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$. For holes diffusing in the emitter: $L_p = 0.6 \mu\text{m}$ and $D_p = 1.7 \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$. Calculate I_S and β assuming that the base-width W is:
- $1 \mu\text{m}$.
 - $2 \mu\text{m}$.
 - $5 \mu\text{m}$.

- 3- For case (b), if $I_C = 1 \text{ mA}$, find I_B , I_E , V_{BE} , and the minority-carrier charge stored in the base. (Hint: $\tau_b = L_n^2/D_n$. Recall that the electron charge $q = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ Coulomb}$.)
- 4- Two transistors, fabricated with the same technology but having different junction areas, when operated at a base-emitter voltage of 0.69 V , have collector currents of 0.13 and 10.9 mA . Find I_S for each device. What are the relative junction areas?
- 5- In a particular BJT, the base current is $7.5 \mu\text{A}$, and the collector current is $940 \mu\text{A}$. Find β and α for this device.

- 6- For a particular *npn* transistor, properly biased, the collector current is measured to be 1 mA and 10 mA for base-to-emitter voltages of 0.63 V and 0.70 V , respectively. Find corresponding values of n and I_S for this transistor. If two such devices are connected in parallel and 0.65 V applied between the combined base and emitter in the conducting direction, what total collector current do you expect?
- 7- Show that for a transistor with α close to unity, if α changes by a small per-unit amount ($\Delta\alpha/\alpha$) the corresponding per-unit change in β is given approximately by

$$\frac{\Delta\beta}{\beta} = \beta \left(\frac{\Delta\alpha}{\alpha} \right)$$

- 8- Find $\Delta\beta/\beta$ for $\beta = 100$ and α changes by 0.1% .
- 8- Consider the large-signal BJT models shown in Figs. 4.5(b) and (d). What are the relative sizes of the diodes D_E and D_B for transistors for which $\beta = 10$? $\beta = 1000$?
- 9- A particular BJT when conducting a collector current of 10 mA is known to have $v_{BE} = 0.70 \text{ V}$ and $i_B = 100 \mu\text{A}$. Use these data to create specific transistor models of the form shown in Figs. 4.5(a) and (d).
- 10- Using the *npn* transistor model of Fig. 4.5(b), consider the case of a transistor for which the base is connected to ground, the collector is connected to a 10-V dc source through a $1\text{-k}\Omega$ resistor, and a 5-mA current source is connected to the emitter with the polarity so that current is drawn out of the emitter terminal. If $\beta = 100$ and $I_S = 10^{-14} \text{ A}$, find the voltages at the emitter and the collector and calculate the base current.

- 11- The current I_{CBO} of a small transistor is measured to be 15 nA at 25°C . If the temperature of the device is raised to 75°C , what do you expect I_{CBO} to become?
- 12- Augment the model of the *npn* BJT shown in Fig. 4.5(c) by a current source representing I_{CBO} . In terms of this addition, what do the terminal currents i_B , i_C , and i_E become? If the base lead is open-circuited while the emitter is connected to ground, and the collector is connected to a positive supply, find the emitter and collector currents.

- 13- From Fig. 4.6 we note that the transistor is not a symmetrical device. Thus interchanging the collector and emitter terminals will result in a device with different values of α and β , called the inverse or reverse values and denoted α_R and β_R . An *npn* transistor is accidentally connected with collector and emitter leads interchanged. The resulting currents in the normal emitter and base leads are 5 mA and 1 mA , respectively. What are the values of α_R and β_R ?

- 14- Sketch two additional models that parallel those given for the *npn* transistor in Fig. 4.5(b) and (d).
- 15- Consider the *pnp* large-signal model of Fig. 4.8(b) applied to a transistor having $I_S = 10^{-13} \text{ A}$ and $\beta = 40$. If the emitter is connected to ground, the base is connected to a current source that pulls out of the base terminal a current of $10 \mu\text{A}$, and the collector is connected to a negative supply of -10 V via a $10\text{-k}\Omega$ resistor, find the base voltage, the collector voltage, and the emitter current.
- 16- A *pnp* transistor has $v_{EB} = 0.8 \text{ V}$ at a collector current of 1 A . What do you expect v_{EB} to become at $i_C = 10 \text{ mA}$? at $i_C = 5 \text{ A}$?

- 17- For the circuits in Fig. P4.19 assume that the transistors have very large β . Some measurements have been made on these circuits, the results are indicated in the figure. Find the values of the other labeled voltages and currents.
- 18- Measurements on the circuits of Fig. P4.20 produce labeled voltages as indicated. Find the value of β for each transistor.
- 19- For a BJT having an Early voltage of 200 V , what is its output resistance at 1 mA ? at $100 \mu\text{A}$?
- 20- For a BJT having an output resistance of $10 \text{ M}\Omega$ at $10 \mu\text{A}$, what must its Early voltage be? If the current is raised to 10 mA , what does the output resistance become?

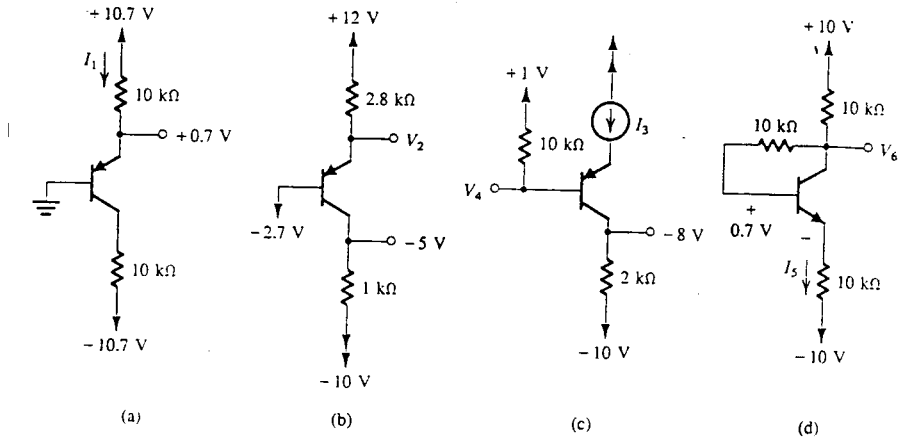


Fig. P4.19

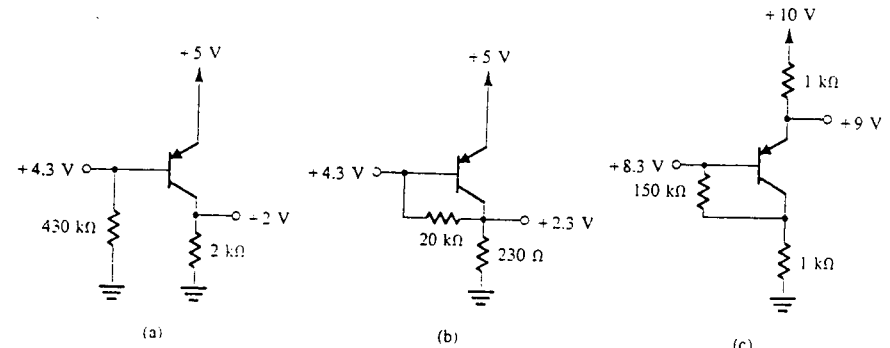


Fig. P4.20

21. For the conceptual circuit shown in Fig. 4.25, $R_C = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$, $g_m = 100 \text{ mA/V}$, and $\beta = 50$. If a peak-to-peak output voltage of 1.5 V is measured at the collector, what ac input voltage and current must be associated with the base?

22. For a BJT operating at a base current of $7.6 \mu\text{A}$ and a β of 104, what values of r_π and g_m apply? What are the values of r_e and α that correspond?

23. For a *pnp* BJT operating at an emitter current of 0.80 mA with an α of 0.99, what values of r_e , r_π , and β correspond?

24. A *pnp* BJT is biased to operate at $I_C = 2.5 \text{ mA}$. What is the associated value of g_m ? If $\beta = 50$, what is the value of the small-signal resistance seen looking into the emitter (r_e)? Into the base (r_π)? If the collector is connected to a $10\text{-k}\Omega$ load, with a signal of 10-mV peak applied between base and emitter, what output signal voltage results?

25. For the circuit in Fig. P4.97 select a value for R_B so that the transistor saturates with an overdrive factor of 10. The BJT is specified to have a minimum β of 30 and $V_{CE\text{sat}} = 0.2 \text{ V}$. What is the value of forced β achieved?

26. For the circuit in Fig. P4.98 select a value for R_E so that the transistor saturates with a forced β of 5.

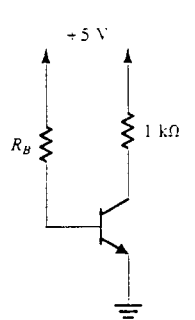


Fig. P4.97

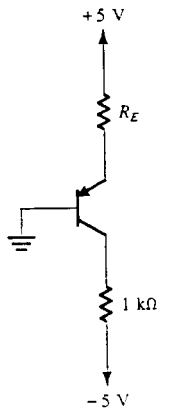


Fig. P4.98

28. Measurement of h_{FE} of an *nnp* transistor at 500 MHz shows that $|h_{FE}| = 2.5$ at $I_C = 0.2 \text{ mA}$ and 11.6 at $I_C = 1.0 \text{ mA}$. Further, C_μ was measured and found to be 0.05 pF. Find f_T at each of the two collector currents used. What must τ_F and C_{je} be?

29. A particular BJT operating at $I_C = 1 \text{ mA}$ has $C_\mu = 1 \text{ pF}$, $C_\pi = 10 \text{ pF}$, and $\beta = 150$. What are ω_T and ω_B for this situation?

30. Complete the table entries below for transistors (a) through (g), under the conditions indicated. Neglect r_e .

Transistor	I_E (mA)	r_e (Ω)	g_m (mA/V)	r_π (k Ω)	β_0	f_T (MHz)	C_μ (pF)	C_π (pF)	f_β (MHz)
(a)	1				100	400	2		
(b)		25					2	10.7	4
(c)				2.525		400		13.8	4
(d)	10				100	400	2		
(e)	0.1				100	100	2		
(f)	1				10	400	2		
(g)						800	1	9	80

31. The transistor in Fig. 4.43 has the characteristics shown in Figs. 4.10 and 4.11. Let $V_{EE} = 2 \text{ V}$, $V_{CC} = 12 \text{ V}$, $R_E = 270 \Omega$, and $R_C = 1200 \Omega$.

- (a) Find I_E and V_{BE} .
- (b) Find I_C and V_{CE} .

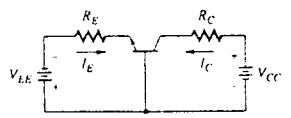


FIGURE 4.43

32. For the transistor in Fig. 4.43, $V_{BE} = 0.65 \text{ V}$, $\alpha_F = 0.99$, and $I_{CBO} = 10 \text{ nA}$. Let $V_{EE} = 5 \text{ V}$, $V_{CC} = 10 \text{ V}$, $R_E = 500 \Omega$, and $R_C = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$.

- (a) Find I_C and V_{CE} .
- (b) Change R_C to 2 k Ω and repeat part (a).

33. The transistor in Fig. 4.44 is silicon: $V_{EB} = 0.7 \text{ V}$, $\alpha_F = 0.99$, and $I_{CBO} = 10 \text{ nA}$.

- (a) Find R_B such that the ammeter current is 1 mA.
- (b) Write an expression for I as a function of R_B .

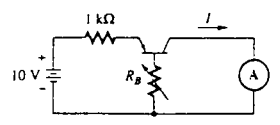


FIGURE 4.44

34. Sketch the collector characteristics (I_C versus V_{CE}) for an *nnp* BJT having $\beta_F = 100$ and $I_{CEO} = 0.5 \text{ mA}$. Let $I_B = 10, 20, 30,$ and $40 \mu\text{A}$. Ignore the Early effect.

35. Write a SPICE program to plot the curves of Fig. 4.25. Let $\beta_R = \alpha_R/(1 - \alpha_R) = 0.11$. Hint: Set the base current to 1 mA and let SPICE step the collector current.

36. Design the circuit of Fig. 4.45 using an *nnp* transistor having a $\beta_F = 100$ and a $V_{BE} = 0.7 \text{ V}$. Let $V_{CC} = V_{BB} = 6 \text{ V}$, and choose values of R_B and R_C such that $V_{CE} = 3 \text{ V}$ and $I_C = 10 \text{ mA}$.

37. The *pnp* transistor of Fig. 4.46 has $\beta_F = 100$ and $V_{BE} = -0.65 \text{ V}$. Find the quiescent I_B , I_C , and V_{CE} .

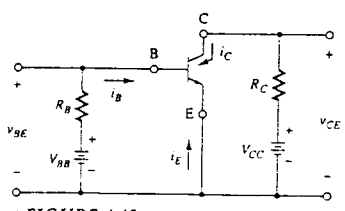


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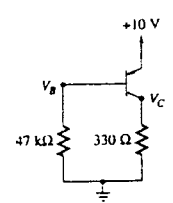


FIGURE 4.46

38. Is there any difference between the small-signal ac model for an *nnp* transistor and that for a *pnp* transistor? Explain.

Consider the amplifier circuit of Fig. 4.50 for which $\beta_F = 75$ and $V_A = 200 \text{ V}$. Assume that the capacitors are open circuits to dc, and short circuits to the ac frequency of interest.

- (a) Draw a dc model and find the operating point.
- (b) Find the small-signal ac model parameters, and draw an ac small-signal model for the circuit.
- (c) Find the voltage amplification v_{out}/v_{in} .

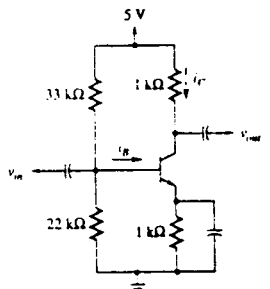


FIGURE 4.50