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CHAPTER 5

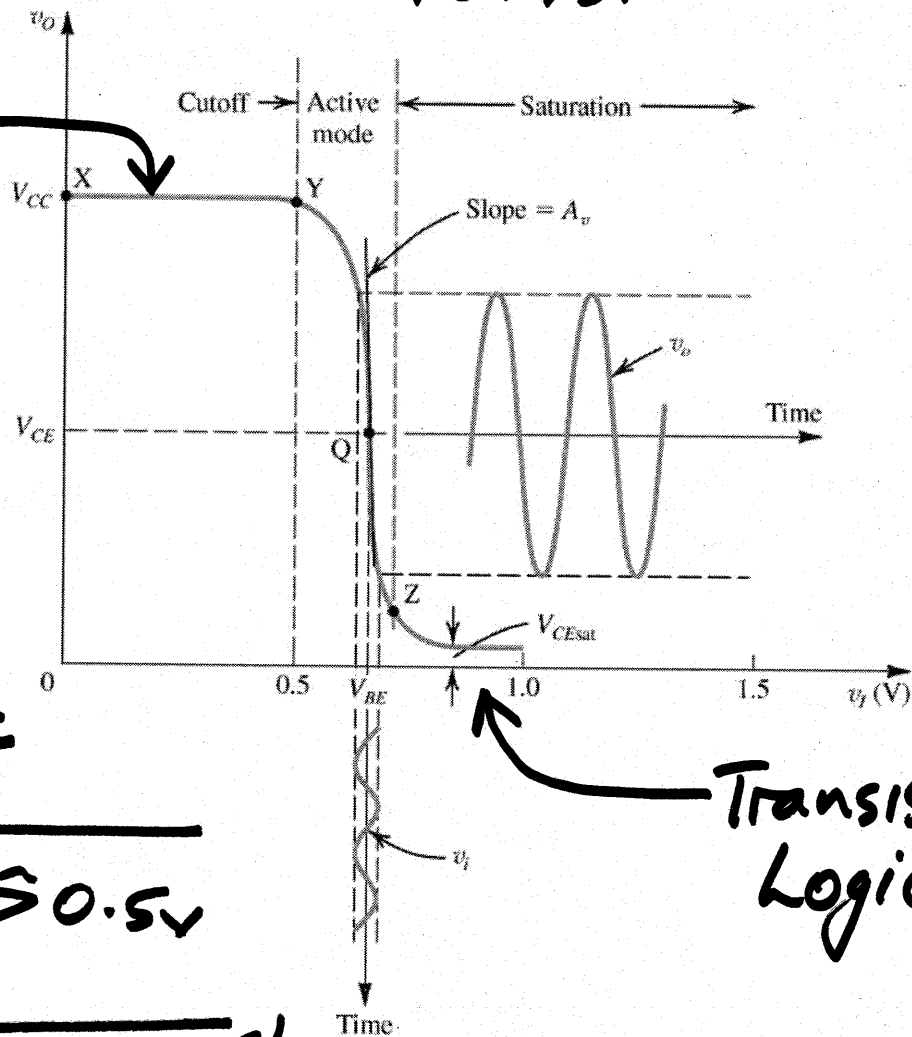
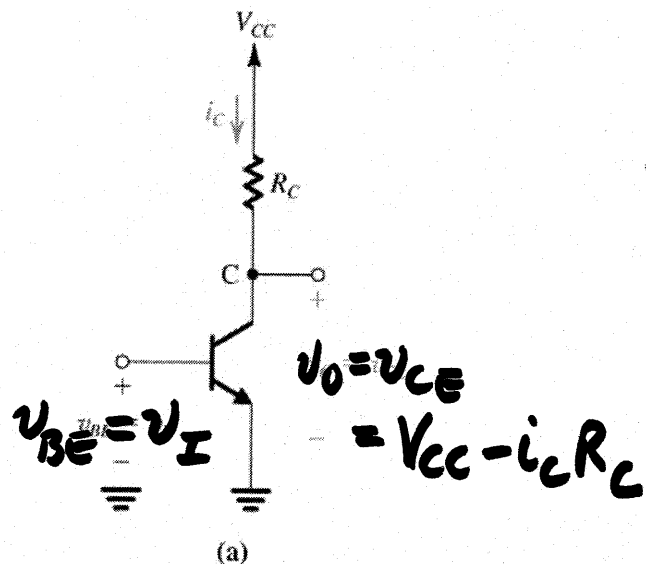
# Bipolar Junction Transistors (BJTs)

5.3 Amplifiers & Switches *Basic circuits*

5.4 DC Circuits → *Biassing*

# CE Transfer Characteristic

Transistor OFF  
Logic "1"



Transistor ON  
Logic "0"

BE cutoff until  $v_{BE} \gtrsim 0.5V$   
 $v_o \sim V_{CC}$

Active  $v_o = V_{CC} - R_c I_s \exp \frac{v_{BE}}{V_T}$

Figure 5.26 (a) Basic common-emitter amplifier circuit. (b) Transfer characteristic of the circuit in (a). The amplifier is biased at a point Q, and a small voltage signal  $v_i$  is superimposed on the dc bias voltage  $V_{BE}$ . The resulting output signal  $v_o$  appears superimposed on the dc collector voltage  $V_{CE}$ . The amplitude of  $v_o$  is larger than that of  $v_i$  by the voltage gain  $A_v$ .

Saturation  $\rightarrow I_c)_{SAT} = \frac{V_{CC} - V_{CEsat}}{R_c} \sim \text{constant.}$

# BASIC CE Amplifier

$$v_o = V_{CC} - R_c I_s \exp^{v_I/V_T}$$

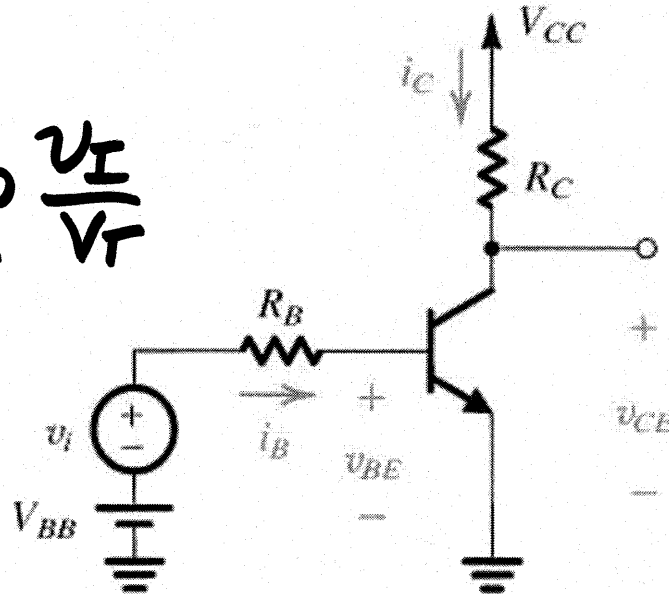
$$A_v = \frac{dv_o}{dv_I}$$

$$= - \frac{R_c I_s \exp^{v_I/V_T}}{V_T}$$

$$= - \frac{I_c R_c}{V_T}$$

$$= - \frac{R_c}{(V_T/I_c)}$$

Note inversion



Graphical  
(Load Line)  
approach:

Circuit:

$$V_{CE} = V_{CC} - i_c R_c$$

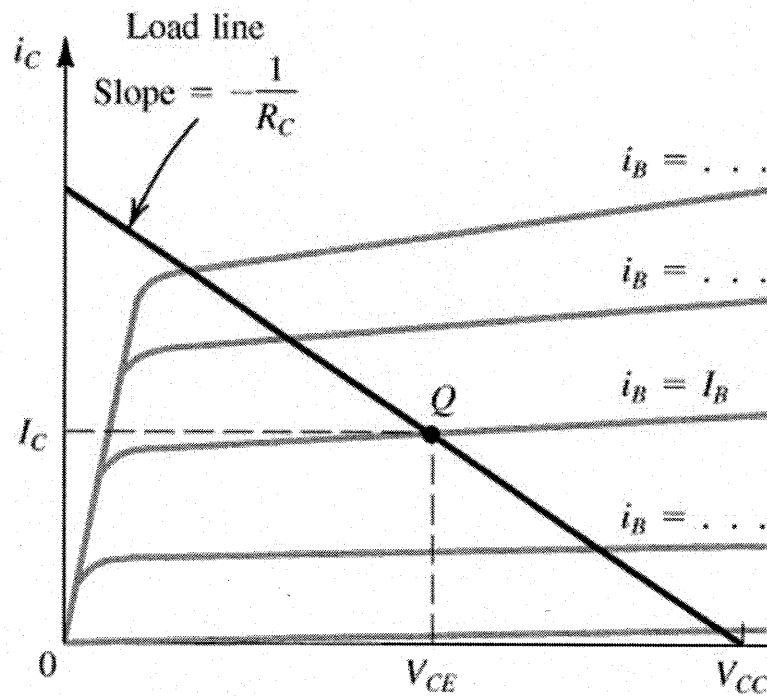
& Transistor:

Characteristics

Figure 5.27 Circuit whose operation is to be analyzed graphically.

# CE or "Output" characteristics

Need  $I_B$



Particular curve specified by  $I_B$  bias.

Typically select for maximum undistorted

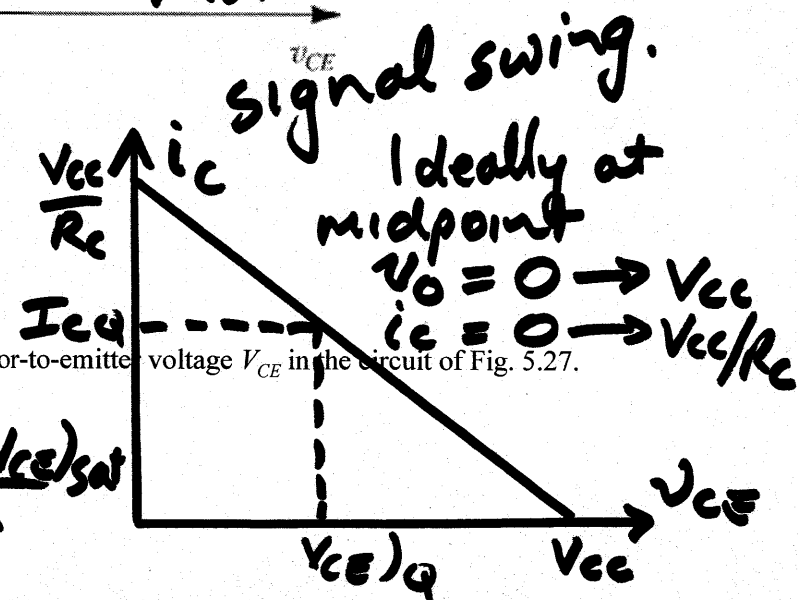


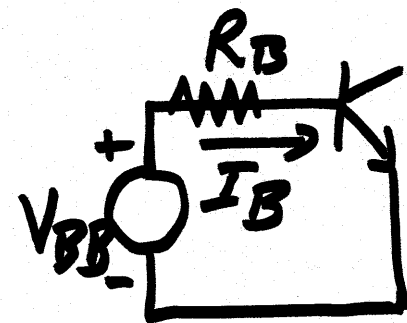
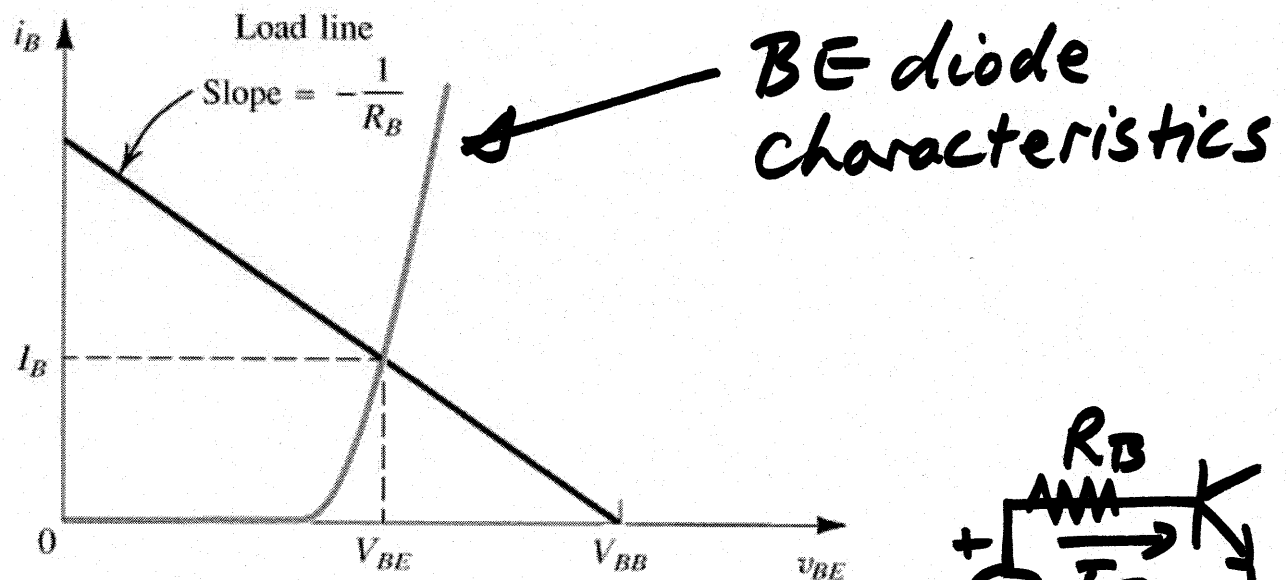
Figure 5.29 Graphical construction for determining the dc collector current  $I_c$  and the collector-to-emitter voltage  $V_{CE}$  in the circuit of Fig. 5.27.

In practice

$$(V_{CE})_Q = \frac{V_{CC} - V_{CE(sat)}}{2}$$

# B-E or "input" characteristics

Load line — external circuit  $I_B = \frac{V_{BB} - V_{BE}}{R_B}$



Can use a diode model, as before

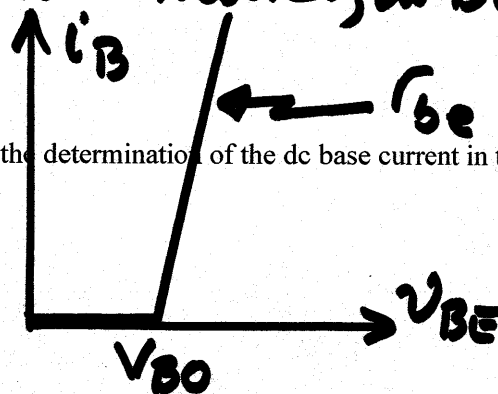
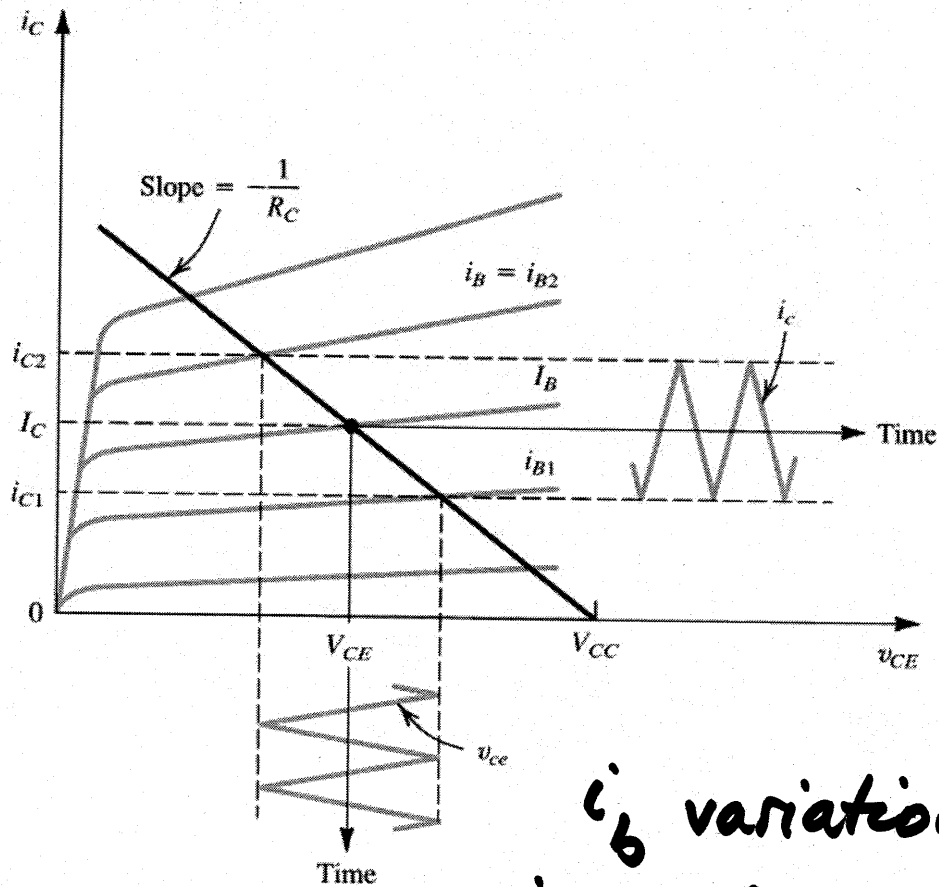
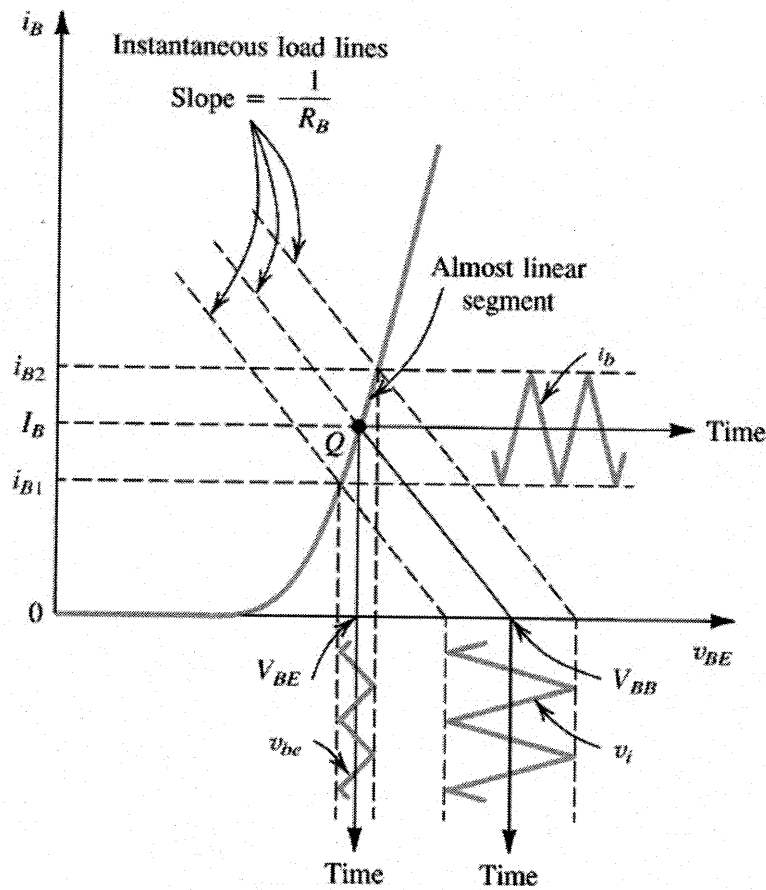


Figure 5.28 Graphical construction for the determination of the dc base current in the circuit of Fig. 5.27.

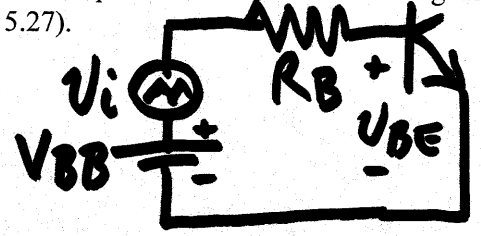
# CE Amplifier



$i_b$  variation  
 $\rightarrow$  (b)  $i_c \rightarrow v_{ce}$

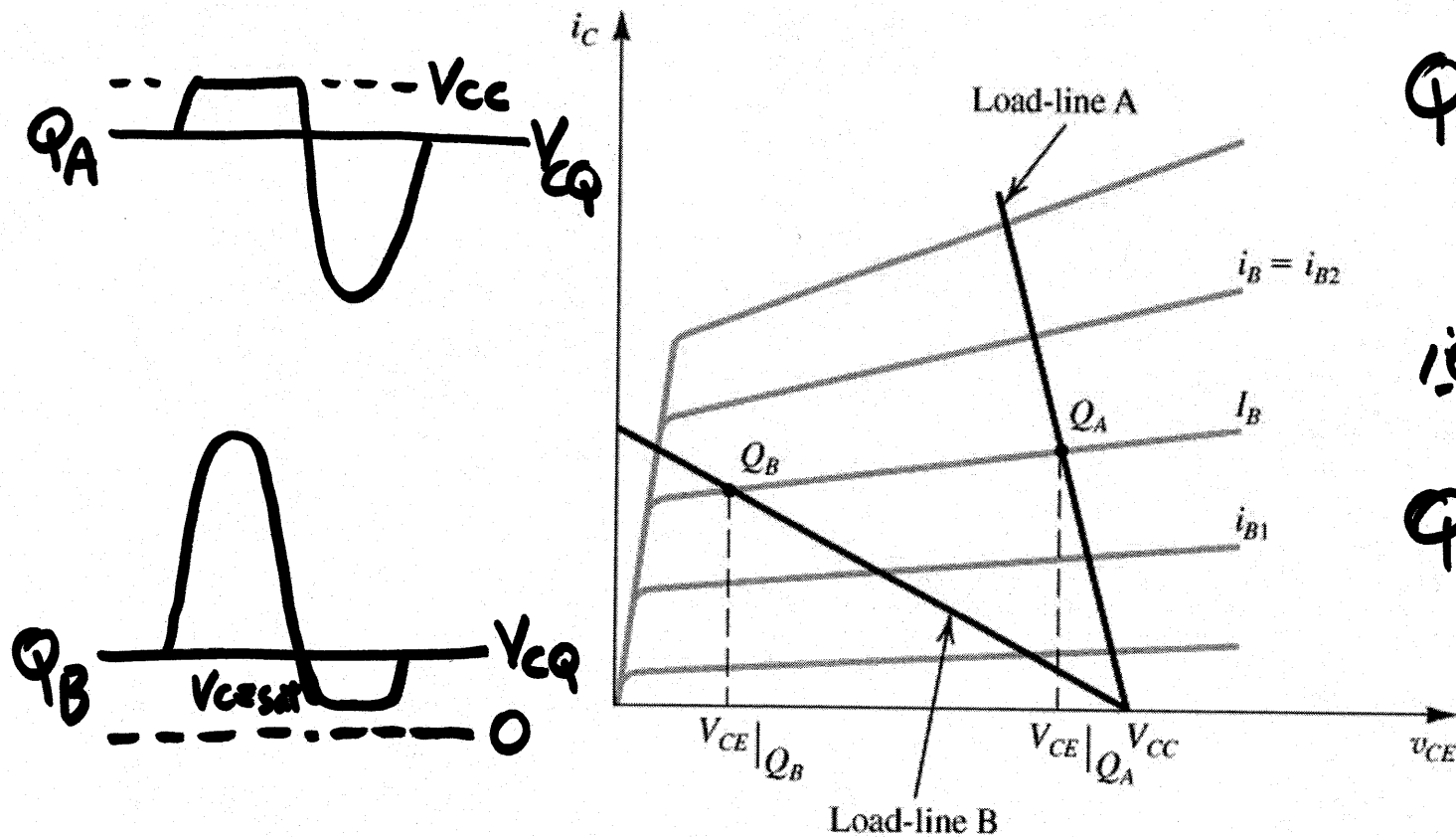
Linear approximation at  $Q$   
 to convert  $v_i = v_{BE}$  to  $i_B$

Figure 5.30 Graphical determination of the signal components  $v_{be}$ ,  $i_b$ ,  $i_c$ , and  $v_{ce}$  when a signal component  $v_i$  is superimposed on the dc voltage  $V_{BB}$  (see Fig. 5.27).





# Maximum Signal Swing (again)



$Q_A$  too close to  $i_c = 0$   
 ( $v_{ce} = V_{cc}$ )  
 i.e. to cutoff.

$Q_B$  too close to saturation

**Figure 5.31** Effect of bias-point location on allowable signal swing: Load-line A results in bias point  $Q_A$  with a corresponding  $V_{CE}$  which is too close to  $V_{CC}$  and thus limits the positive swing of  $v_{ce}$ . At the other extreme, load-line B results in an operating point too close to the saturation region, thus limiting the negative swing of  $v_{ce}$ .

# BJT Switch

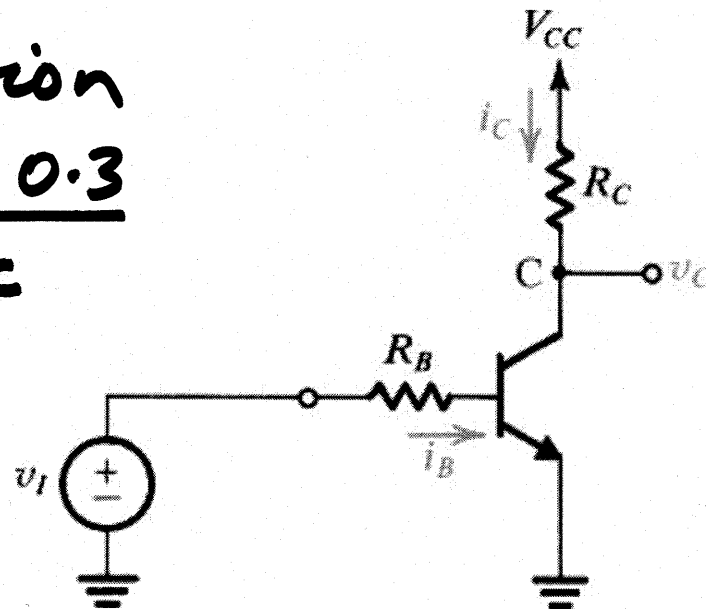
$$i_B = \frac{v_I - V_{BE}}{R_B}$$

$$i_C = \beta i_B$$

$$v_C = V_{CC} - i_C R_C$$

Edge of saturation

$$I_C)_{EOS} = \frac{V_{CC} - 0.3}{R_C}$$



$$V_I)_{EOS} = I_B)_{EOS} R_B + V_{BE}$$

Figure 5.32 A simple circuit used to illustrate the different modes of operation of the BJT.

$$I_C)_{SAT} = \frac{V_{CE} - V_{CE SAT}}{R_C}$$

- **Exercise 5.20**

- $V_{BB}=1.7V$   $R_{BB}=100k\Omega$   $V_{CC}=10V$   $R_C=5k\Omega$   $\beta=100$
- $V_i=0.4V$  pk-to-pk triangle wave
- Using a graphical approach:
  - (a) Find  $I_B$  if  $V_B=0.7V$
  - (b) Show  $(\text{diode slope})^{-1}=V_T/I_B$ ; find value
  - (c) Find approx pk-to-pk  $i_b$ ,  $v_{be}$
  - (d) Assume horiz  $i_C$ - $v_{CE}$  curves, find  $I_C$ ,  $V_{CE}$
  - (e) Find pk-to-pk  $i_C$ ,  $v_{CE}$
  - (f) What is  $A_v$ ?

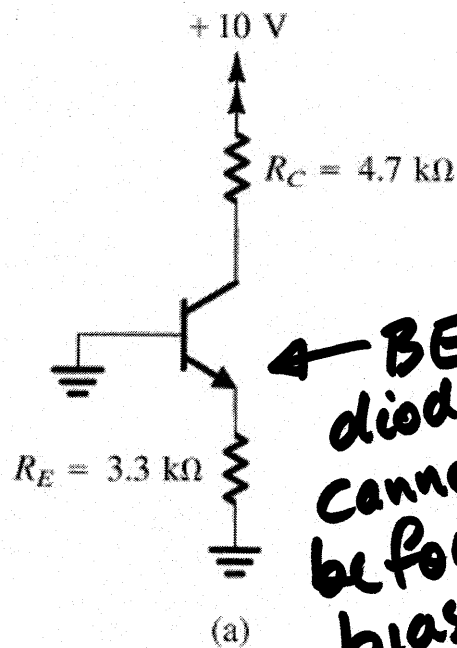
- **Exercise 5.21**

- Fig 3.32  $V_{CC}=+5V$ ,  $v_i=+5V$ ,  $R_B=R_B=1k\Omega$ ,  $\beta=100$
- Calculate base current, collector current, & collector voltage
- If transistor saturated, find  $\beta_{\text{forced}}$ .
- Find  $R_B$  to bring transistor to edge of saturation

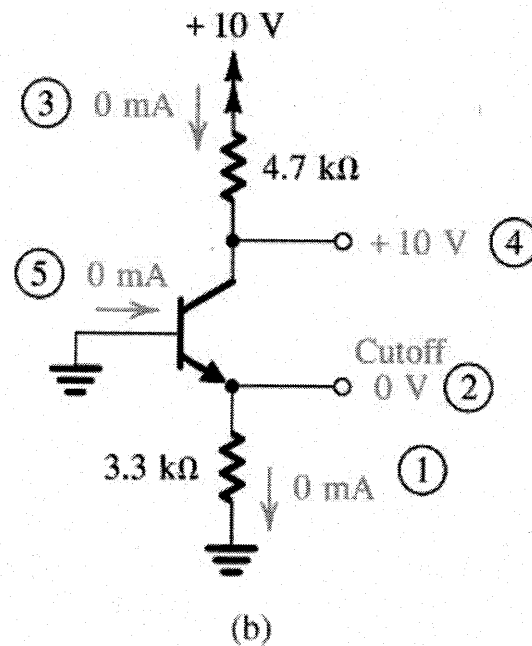
# Exercises

- D5.22
- 5.23
- 5.24

# Example 5.6



← BE diode cannot be forward biased  
 $\therefore$  Cutoff



$$I_C = I_E = 0$$

$$I_B = 0$$

$$I_E = 0 \therefore V_E = 0$$

$$I_C = 0 \therefore V_C = +10V$$

Figure 5.36 Example 5.6: (a) circuit; (b) analysis with the order of the analysis steps indicated by circled numbers.

# Example 5.7 PNP

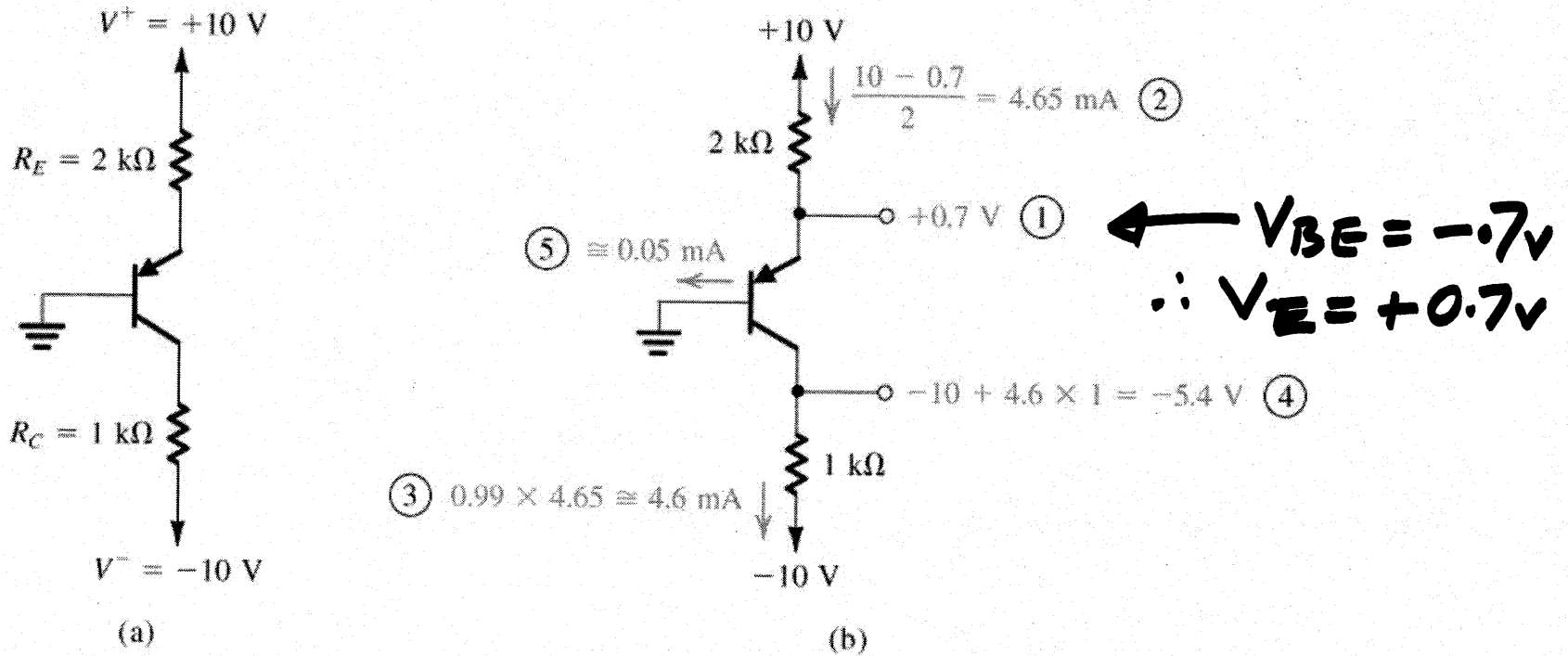


Figure 5.37 Example 5.7: (a) circuit; (b) analysis with the steps indicated by circled numbers.

# Exercises

- D5.25
- D5.26
- D5.27
- 5.28
- 5.29
- 5.30
- 5.31

# Assignment #6

**5.2**

**5.50**

**\*5.61**

**5.67**

**\*\*D5.85**



- **Exercise 5.20**

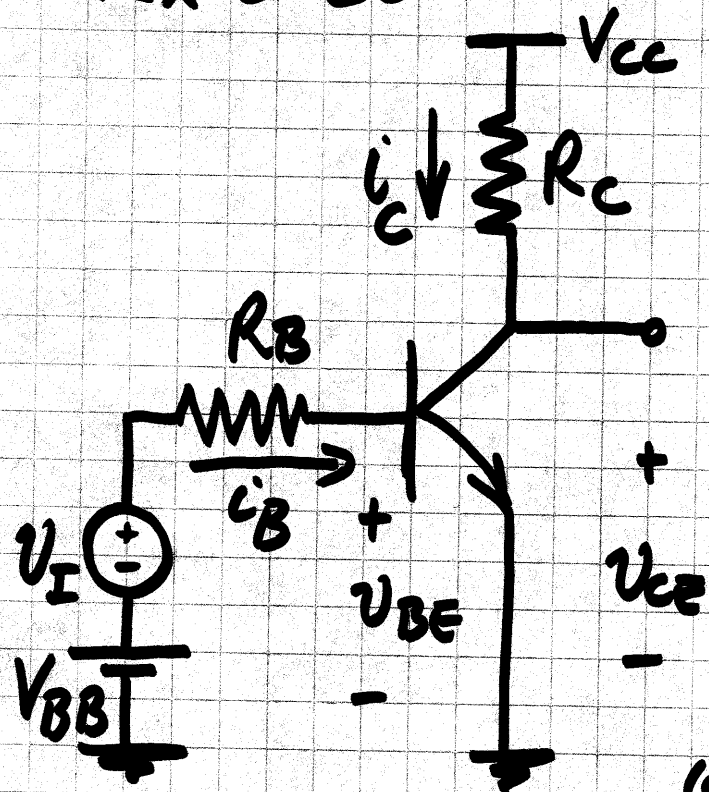
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# Ex 5.20

$V_{BB} = 1.7V$   $R_B = 100K\Omega$   $V_{CC} = 10V$   $R_C = 5K\Omega$   
 $\beta = 100$   $v_I$  0.4V pk-to-pk triangle wave

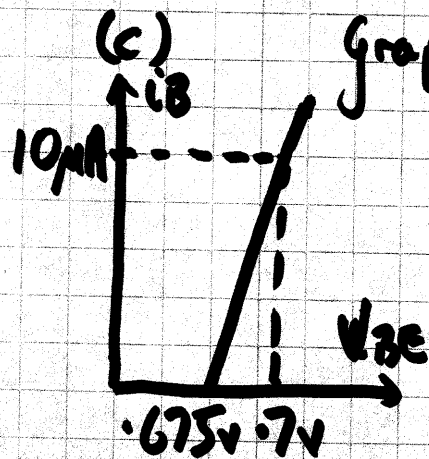


Using graphical approach:

- Find  $I_B$  if  $V_{BE} = .7V$
- Show  $V_{diode}$  slope =  $V_T/I_B$ ; find value
- Find approximate peak-to-peak  $i_b, v_{be}$
- Assume horizontal  $i_c - v_{CE}$  curves, find  $I_C, V_{CE}$
- Find pk-to-pk  $i_c, v_{ce}$
- What is  $A_v$ ?

(a)  $I_B = (V_{BB} - V_{BE}) / R_B = (1.7 - .7) / 100K = 10\mu A$

(b)  $i_B = I_S / \beta \exp \frac{v_{BE}}{V_T} \therefore \frac{di_B}{dv_{BE}} = \frac{I_S}{\beta} \exp \frac{v_{BE}}{V_T} \cdot \frac{1}{V_T} = \frac{I_B}{V_T} \therefore \frac{dv_{BE}}{di_B} = \frac{V_T}{I_B} = \frac{25mV}{10\mu A} = 2.5K\Omega$



Graphically, or  $v_{BB} = 1.5 \rightarrow 1.9V \therefore i_b \sim \frac{.8 \rightarrow 1.2V}{100K}$

or  $v_{be} = \frac{r_{be}}{r_{be} + R_B} \cdot 0.4 \text{ pk-pk} = \frac{2.5}{102.5} (.4) \approx 10mV$

&  $i_b = \frac{(100 - 10mV \text{ pk-pk})}{100K} \approx 4\mu A$  OR  $\frac{v_{be}}{r_{be}} = \frac{10mV}{2.5K} = 4\mu A$

(d)  $\therefore I_C = \beta I_B = 100 \times 10\mu A = 1mA, V_{CE} = 10 - 5 \times 10^3 \times 1mA = 5V$

Ex 5.20 (cont'd) (e)  $\beta_k - \beta_k$ :  $i_c = \beta i_b = 400 \mu A$

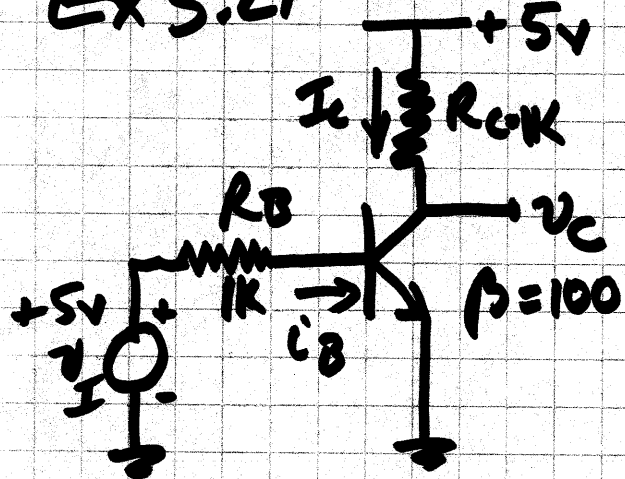
$$v_{ce} = 400 \mu A \times 5K = 2V$$

(f)  $A_v' = -R_c / (V_T / I_c) = 5K \Omega / \left( \frac{25mV}{1mA} \right) = 200$   
 (=  $v_o / v_{be}$ )

$$A_v = \frac{v_{ce}}{v_i} = - \frac{\beta i_b R_c}{v_i} = - \frac{100 \times 4 \times 10^{-6} \times 5 \times 10^3}{0.4}$$

$$= -5V/V$$

Ex 5.21



Find  $i_c, i_b, v_c$ . If transistor saturates, find  $\beta_{forced}$   
 Find  $R_B$  for edge of saturation.

$$I_B \approx \frac{5 - 0.7V}{1K\Omega} = 4.3mA \quad \therefore I_C = 430mA$$

$$\therefore 5 - 1K \times 430mA < 0$$

$\therefore$  Saturated.

$\therefore$  Assume  $V_{ce sat} = 0.2V$

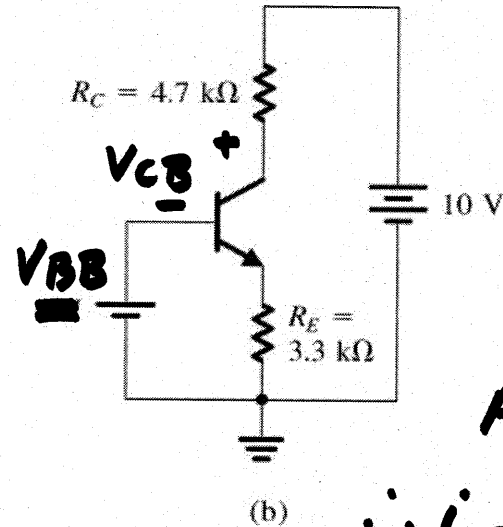
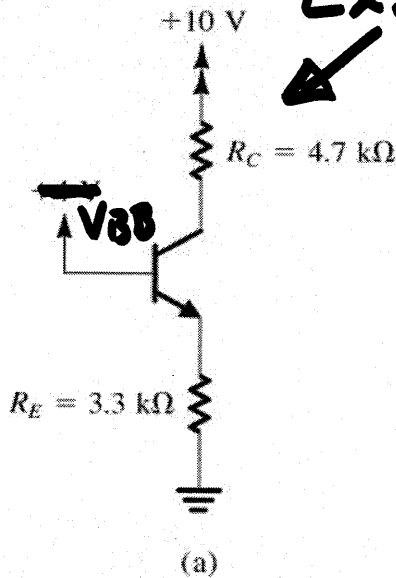
$$\left. \begin{aligned} \text{Then } I_C &= (5 - 0.2) / 1K = 4.8mA \\ I_B &= (5 - 0.7) / 1K = 4.3mA \end{aligned} \right\} \beta_{forced} = \frac{4.8}{4.3} = 1.1$$

For edge of saturation — say  $V_{ce sat} \sim 0.3V$

$$\therefore i_c = 4.7mA, \quad i_b = \frac{4.7mA}{100} = 47\mu A \quad \therefore R_B = \frac{5 - 0.3}{0.047mA} = 91.5K\Omega$$

# DC BJT Circuits

Ex. D5.22 Find max  $V_{BB}$  for BJT active mode  $\alpha = 1$

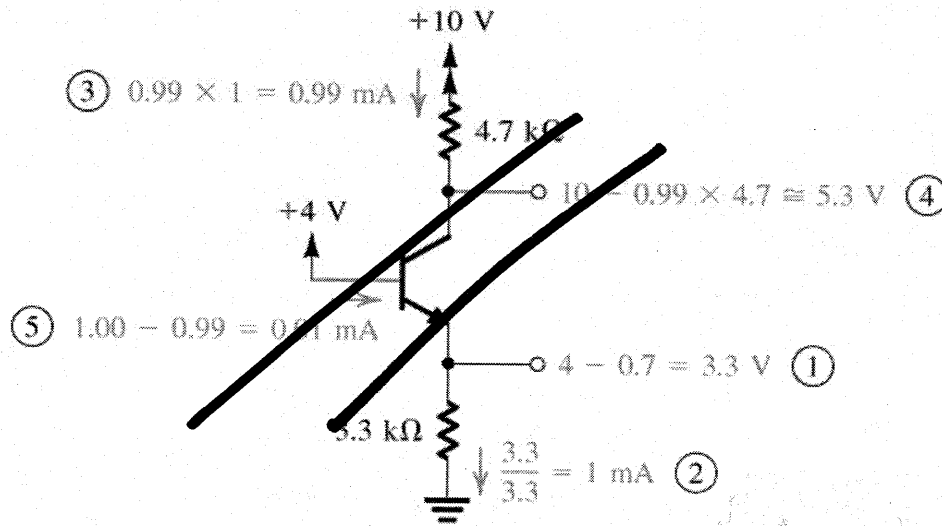


Active mode requires

$$V_{CB} \geq -0.4 \text{ V}$$

Assume  $V_{BE} = 0.7 \text{ V}$   
 $\alpha = 1$

$$\therefore i_E \approx i_C = \frac{V_{BB} - 0.7 \text{ V}}{3.3 \text{ k}\Omega}$$



Also

$$V_{CB} = V_C - V_B$$

$$= 10 - i_C(4.7 \text{ k}\Omega) - V_{BB}$$

$$\geq -0.4 \text{ V}$$

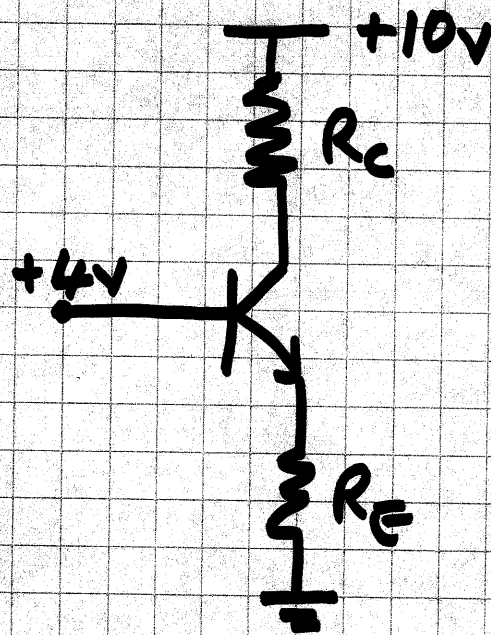
So  $10 \text{ V} - \frac{V_{BB} - 0.7}{3.3 \text{ k}\Omega} 4.7 \text{ k}\Omega - V_{BB} \geq -0.4 \text{ V}$

Figure 5.34 Analysis of the circuit for Example 5.4: (a) circuit; (b) circuit redrawn to remind the reader of the convention used in this book to show connections to the power supply; (c) analysis with the steps numbered.

$$i.e. \quad V_{BB} \left(1 + \frac{4.7}{3.3}\right) \leq 10 \text{ V} + 0.7 \frac{4.7}{3.3} \text{ V} + 0.4 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{BB} \leq \frac{33 + 329 + 1.32}{8} = \frac{37.61}{8} = 4.7 \text{ V}$$

Ex 5.23



Design for  $I_C = 0.5 \text{ mA}$   
&  $V_{CB} = 2 \text{ V}$   
with  $\alpha = 1$

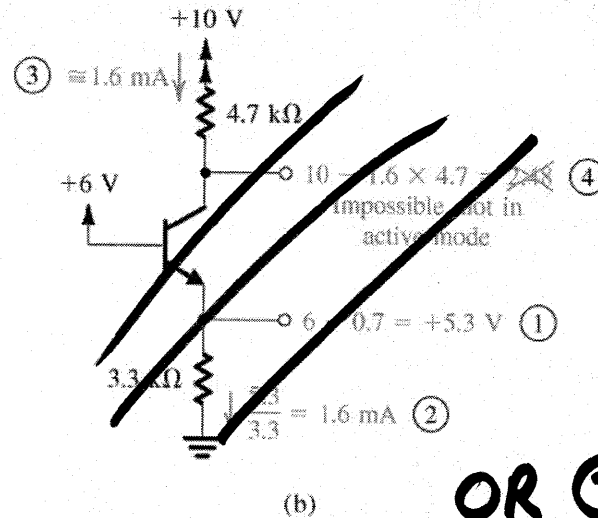
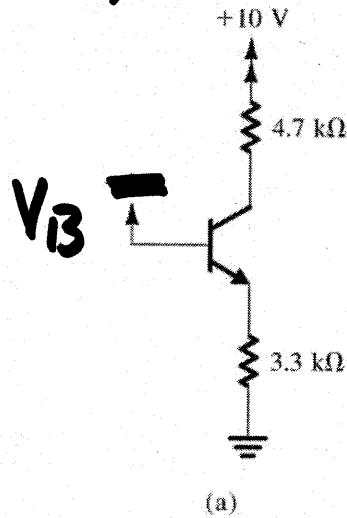
$$V_B = 4 \text{ V} \quad \therefore V_C = V_{CB} + V_B = 2 + 4 = 6 \text{ V}$$

$$\therefore R_C = \frac{10 - 6 \text{ V}}{0.5 \text{ mA}} = 8 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$V_E = V_B - V_{BE} = 3.3 \text{ V} \quad \text{if } V_{BE} = 0.7 \text{ V}$$

$$\therefore R_E = \frac{3.3 \text{ V}}{0.5 \text{ mA}} \quad \text{if } \alpha = 1 \text{ and } I_E = I_C$$
$$= 6.6 \text{ k}\Omega$$

Ex. 5.24 Find  $V_B$  for saturation with  $\beta_{\text{forced}} = 5$



$$\frac{i_C}{i_B} = 5$$

$$\therefore i_B = 0.2 i_C$$

$$\& i_E = 1.2 i_C$$

$$\therefore V_B - 0.7V = 1.2 i_C \times 3.3K$$

① Also assume  $V_{CE\text{SAT}} = 0.2V$

$$\therefore 10 = 4.7K i_C + 0.2V + 1.2 \times 3.3K \times i_C \left\{ \therefore i_C = \frac{9.8V}{8.7K} = 1.125mA \right\}$$

OR ②

Also assume  $V_{CB} = -0.5V$

$$\therefore i_C = \frac{10 - (V_B - 0.5V)}{4.7K}$$

$$\text{So } V_B - 0.7 = \frac{1.2 \times 3.3K (10.5 - V_B)}{4.7K}$$

$$V_B = 0.7 + \frac{3.96 (10.5)}{4.7} \left( 1 + \frac{3.96}{4.7} \right)$$

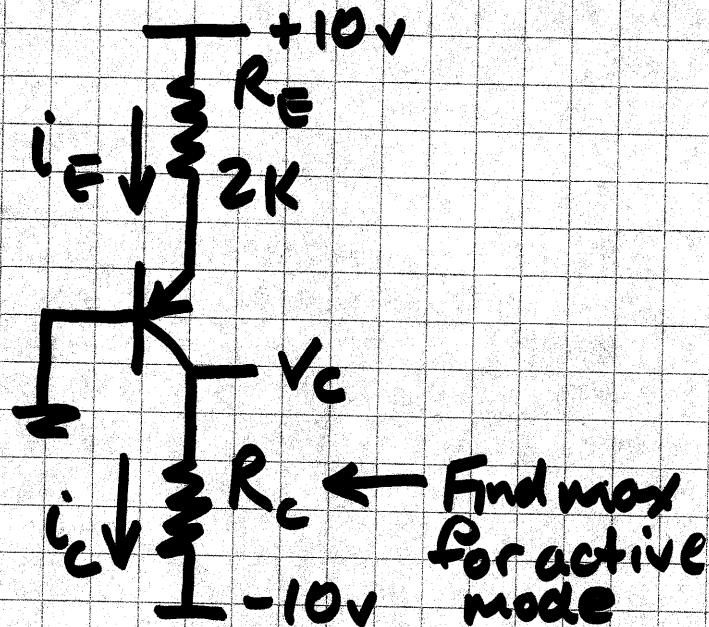
$$= 5.18V$$

Figure 5.35 Analysis of the circuit for Example 5.5. Note that the circled numbers indicate the order of the analysis steps.

$$\therefore V_B = 0.7V + \frac{1.2 \times 3.3K (10 - 0.2V)}{(4.7 + 1.2 \times 3.3)K} = 0.7 + \frac{9.8V}{\left(1 + \frac{3.96}{4.7}\right)} = 5.18V$$

Ex D5.25

**PNP**



For active mode limit  
 CB forward bias  $\leq 0.4\text{V}$

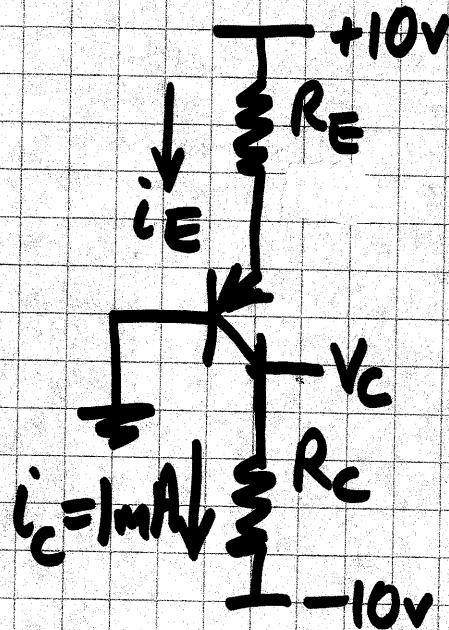
$$V_B = 0 \therefore V_C \leq +0.4\text{V}$$

$$\therefore -10\text{V} + i_C R_C \leq 0.4$$

$$\& i_C \approx i_E = \frac{10 - 0.7}{2\text{K}} = 4.65\text{mA}$$

$$\therefore R_C \leq \frac{10.4\text{V}}{4.65\text{mA}} = 2.24\text{K}\Omega$$

Ex D5.26



Find  $R_C, R_E$  for

$$i_C = 1\text{mA}$$

CB Rev bias  $4\text{V}$

Assume  $\alpha = 1$

$$\alpha = 1 \therefore i_E = i_C = 1\text{mA}$$

CB rev bias,  $V_B = 0$

$$\therefore V_C = -4\text{V}$$

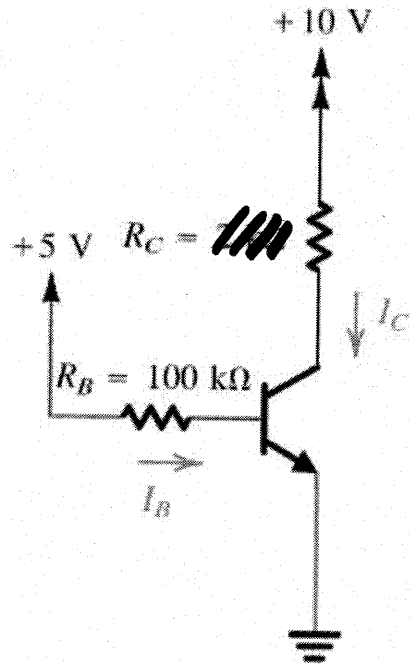
$$\therefore R_C = \frac{-4\text{V} - (-10\text{V})}{1\text{mA}} = 6\text{K}\Omega$$

$$\& R_E = \frac{10 - 0.7\text{V}}{1\text{mA}} = 9.3\text{K}\Omega \text{ for } V_{BE} = 0.7\text{V}$$

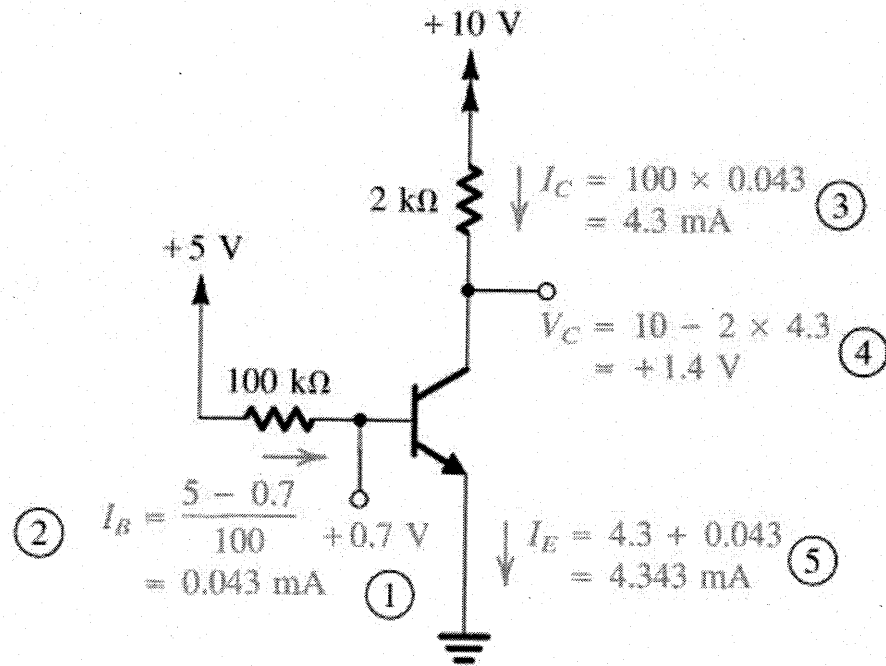
# Ex D5.27

$\beta = 50 \text{ to } 150$

Find  $R_C$  for all circuits in active mode. Find  $V_C$  range for  $\beta = 50 \rightarrow 150$ .



(a)



(b)

① Assume  $V_{BE} = 0.7\text{V}$

②  $\therefore I_B = \frac{5 - 0.7\text{V}}{100\text{k}} = 43\mu\text{A}$

③  $I_C = \beta I_B$

④  $V_C = 10 - \beta I_B R_C$

And for active mode  $V_{CB} \geq -0.4\text{V}$

$\therefore V_C = V_{CB} + V_B \geq 0.3\text{V}$

Figure 5.38 Example 5.8: (a) circuit; (b) analysis with the steps indicated by the circled numbers.

Max  $V_C = 10 - 50 \cdot 1.5\text{k} \cdot 43\mu\text{A}$   
 Min  $= 6.775\text{V}$   
 $V_C = 10 - 150 \cdot 1.5\text{k} \cdot 43\mu\text{A}$   
 $= 0.325\text{V}$

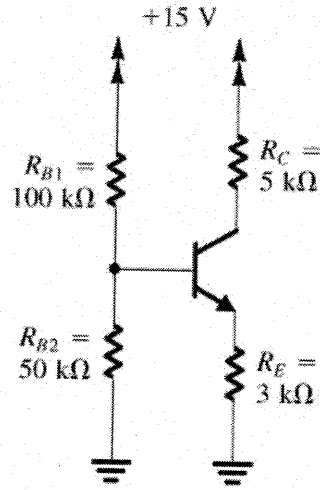
$\therefore 10 - \beta I_B R_C \geq 0.3\text{V}$   
 $R_C \leq \frac{9.7\text{V}}{\beta \times 43\mu\text{A}}$

$\xrightarrow{\beta=150} \frac{9.7\text{V}}{150 \times 0.043} \text{k}\Omega = 1.5\text{k}\Omega$

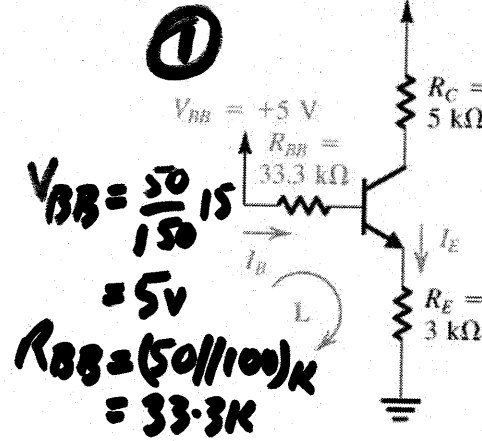


Ex 5.28  $\beta \Rightarrow 50$ . Example 5.10 Calculates  $i_c = 1.28 \text{ mA}$  for  $\beta = 100$ .

Recalculate for  $\beta = 50$ . What is % change?



(a)



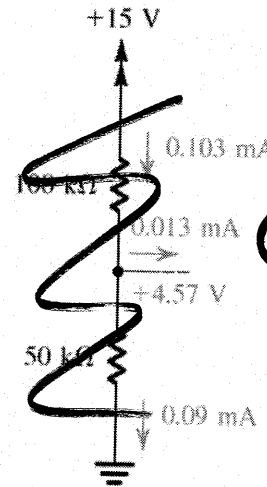
(b)

② Loop L  
 $5V = I_B R_{BB} + V_{BE} + I_E R_E$

$$I_E = \frac{5 - 0.7}{3K + \frac{33.3K}{50+1}}$$

$$= 1.18 \text{ mA}$$

③:  $I_C = \frac{\beta}{1+\beta} I_E$   
 $= \frac{50}{51} 1.18 \text{ mA}$   
 $= 1.16 \text{ mA}$



(d)

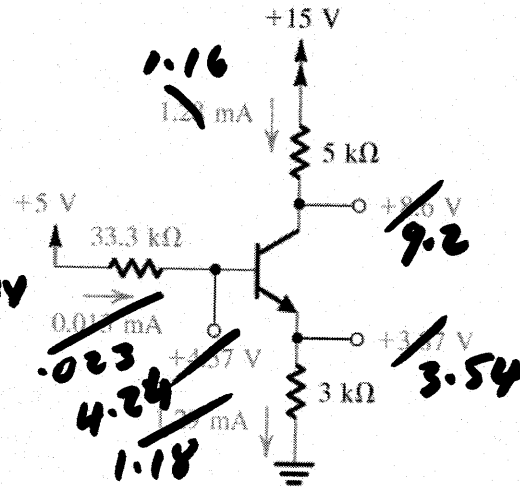
④  $\therefore$  % change  
 $= \frac{1.16 - 1.28}{1.28} 100\%$   
 $= -9.375\%$

Also:  
 $I_B = I_C / \beta$   
 $= 23.2 \mu\text{A}$

$$V_E = 1.18 \times 3 = 3.54 \text{ V}$$

$$V_C = 15 - 1.16 \times 5 = 9.2 \text{ V}$$

$$V_B = 3.54 + 0.7 = 4.24 \text{ V}$$



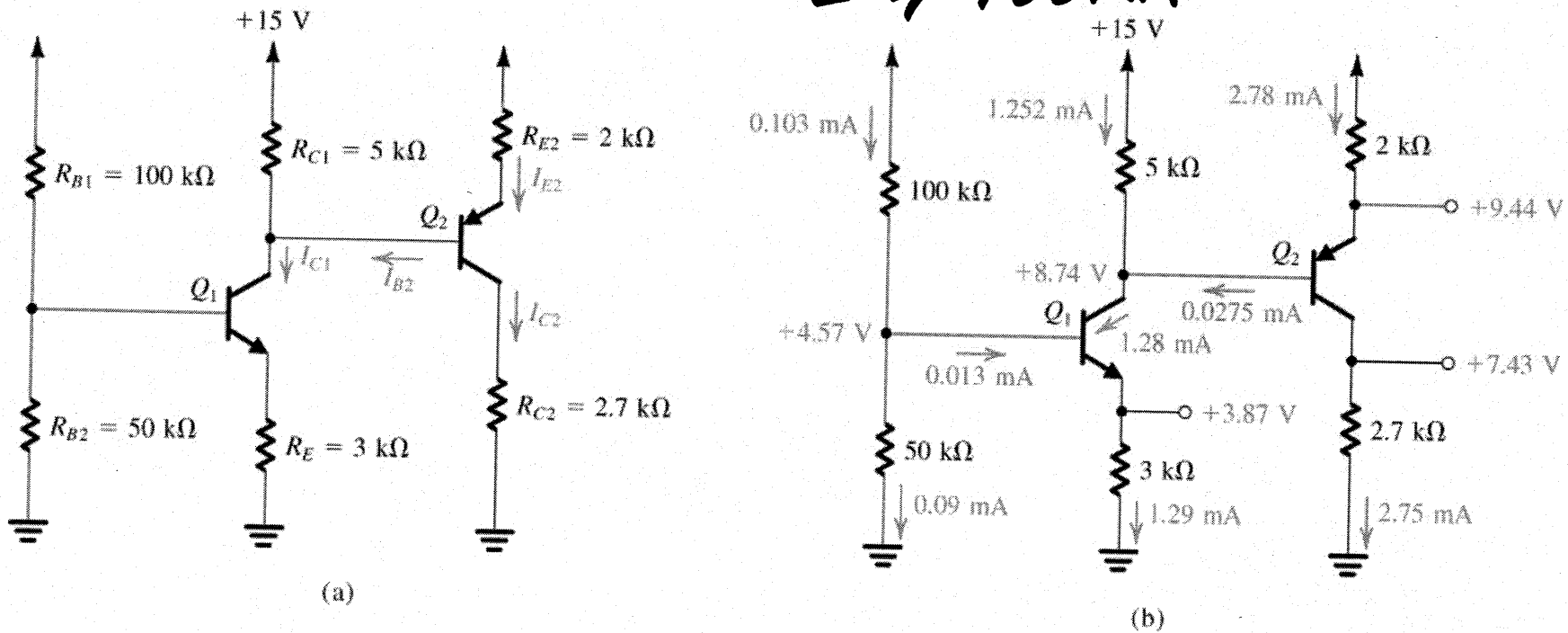
(c)

Figure 5.40 Circuits for Example 5.10.

Ex 5.29 Find total current from power supply & power dissipation in the circuit.

See Example 5.11

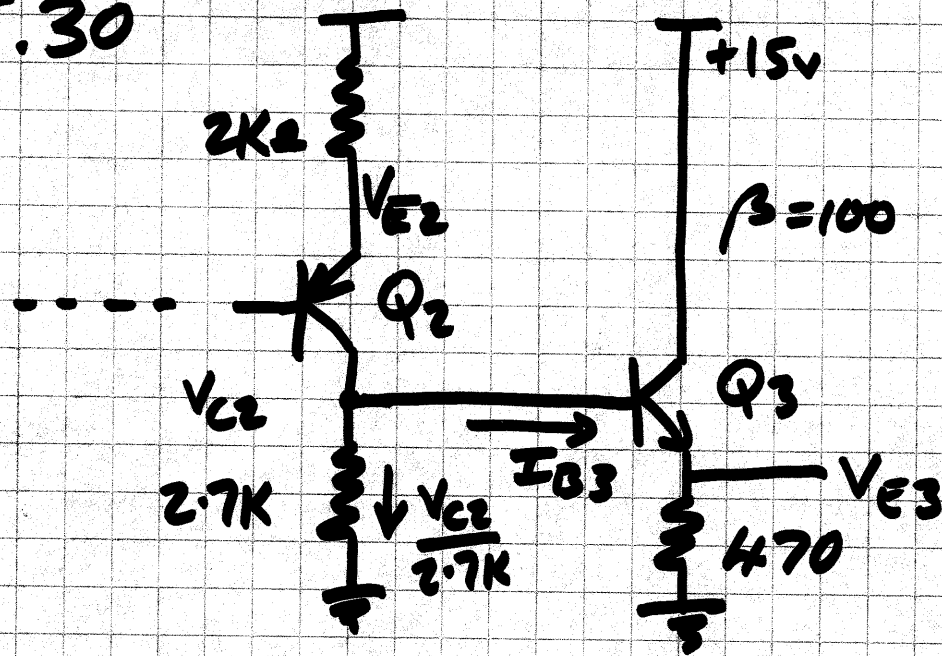
$$\text{Then } I_{\text{tot}} = (2.78 + 1.252 + 0.103) \text{ mA} \\ = 4.135 \text{ mA}$$



$$\therefore P = 15\text{V} \times 4.135\text{mA} = 62.025\text{mW}$$

Figure 5.41 Circuits for Example 5.11.

# Ex 5.30



From Example 5.11

$$V_{C2} = 7.43\text{V}$$

$$I_{C2} = 2.75\text{mA}$$

$$I_{E2} = 2.78\text{mA}$$

$$V_{E2} = 9.44\text{V}$$

Then add  $Q_3$  as shown

Find  $V_{E2}(\text{new})$ ,  $I_{E3}$ ,  $V_{E3}$

$$V_{E3} = V_{C2} - 0.7\text{V}$$

$$I_{E3} = \frac{V_{C2} - 0.7}{470} = 101 I_{B3} = 101 \left( 2.75\text{mA} - \frac{V_{C2}}{2.7\text{k}} \right)$$

$$\therefore V_{C2} = \frac{101 \times 2.75\text{mA} + \frac{.7}{470}}{\frac{1}{470} + \frac{101}{2.7\text{k}}}$$

$$= 7.064\text{V}$$

$$\therefore V_{E3} = 6.364\text{V} \quad \& \quad I_{E3} = \frac{6.364}{.470}\text{mA} = 13.54\text{mA}$$

Note:  $I_{E2}$  defined by  $V_{B2}$  if  $Q_2$  in active region

Ex 5.31

Find  $V_E, V_B, I_{C1}, I_{E2}$   
 $\beta_{min} = 30$

$V_{in} = +10V \therefore$  Assume  $Q_1$  saturated  
 $Q_2$  cutoff.

$$\therefore I_{C2} = 0$$

$$10 - 10K I_{B1} - 0.7 - 1K I_{E1} = 0$$

$$\therefore I_{E1} = 9.3mA - 10K I_B$$

$$V_E = 5V - V_{CE sat} \approx 4.8V$$

$$\therefore I_{E1} = 4.8mA$$

$$\therefore I_{B1} = \frac{10 - 0.7 - 4.8}{10K} = 0.45mA$$

$$\& I_{C1} = I_{E1} - I_{B1} = 4.35mA$$

Note  $\frac{I_{C1}}{I_{B1}} = \frac{4.35mA}{0.45mA} = 9.67 < \beta_{min}$

$\therefore$  Check saturated.

