

**Course Notes:** (BJTs pages 1, 2, 3, 4) *Note Correction on Page 1.  $\beta = \alpha / (1 - \alpha)$  and  $\alpha = \beta / (1 + \beta)$*

Characteristics Curves

Biassing Circuits and Quiescent Operating Points

Amplifier Configurations

Electronic Switches

**In-Class Exercise Problems:**

BJT Biassing Problems

Quiescent Operating Point

DC Load Line, AC without Load, and AC with Load Analysis

**Additional Homework Problems:**

BJT Biassing Problems

Emitter Biased, Common Emitter

Emitter Biased, Common Emitter with Emitter Resistor

Voltage-Divider Biased, Common Emitter

Voltage-Divider Biased, Cascaded Amplifier

Use the BJT Collector Characteristic Curves ( $I_B$ ,  $I_C$ , &  $V_{CE}$ ) to determine circuit values for  $R_B$  and  $R_C$

**Ideas To Be Cognizant Of:**

Synonymous Terms:

Quiescent Point (Operating Point) = ( $I_{CQ}$  and  $V_{CEQ}$ ) = Intersection of Load Line with Operating  $I_B$

Definitions:

$V_{CE \text{ cut-off}}$  = Value of  $V_{CE}$  when  $I_C = 0$

Generally, in all of the circuits we have analyzed in class,  $V_{CE} = V_{CC}$

$I_{C \text{ Saturation}}$  or  $I_{C \text{ Sat}}$  = Maximum Value of  $I_C$  (occurs when  $V_{CE} = 0$ )

DC Load line: In general, slope of DC load line is set by the biasing resistors  $R_C$  and  $R_E$

Slope =  $-1 / (R_E + R_C)$