

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 = $-1 / (R_E + R_C)$