

# B.J.T. : THREE TERMINAL

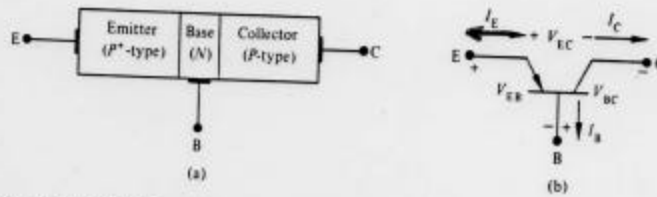


Fig. 1.1 *pnp* bipolar transistor: (a) semiconductor types; (b) circuit symbol with active region voltage and current polarities.

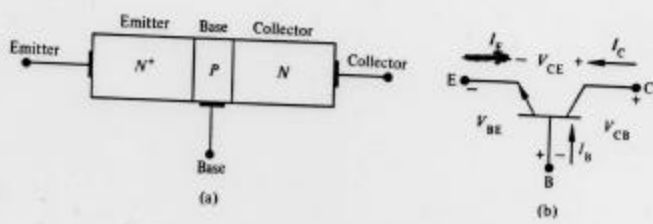


Fig. 1.2 *npn* bipolar transistor.

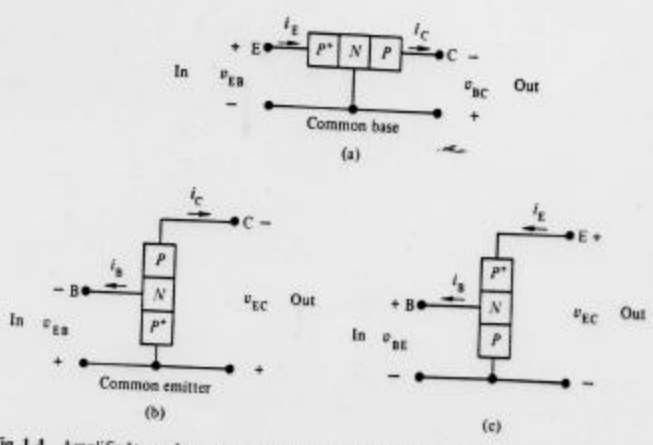
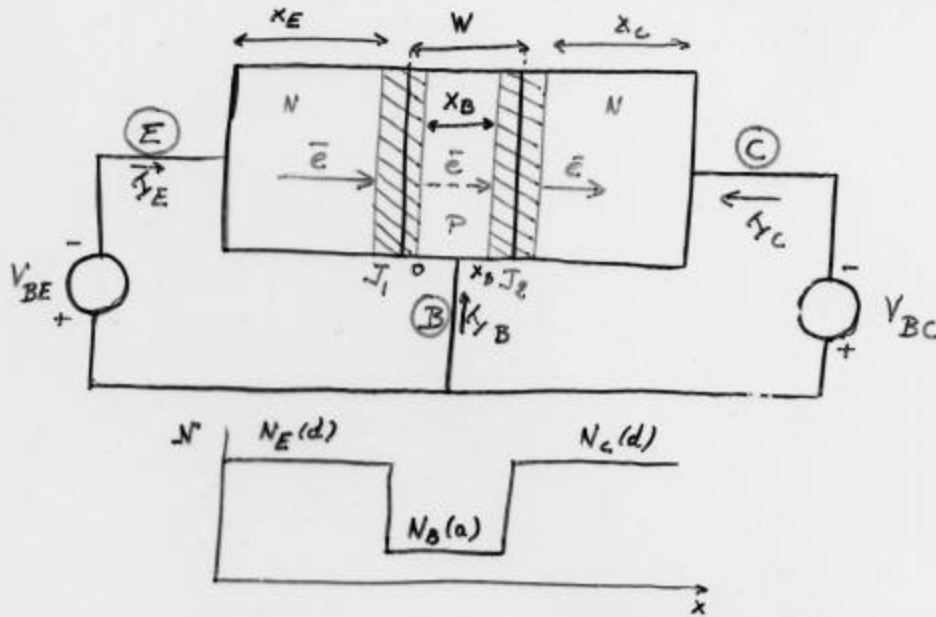


Fig. 1.4 Amplified types for a *pnp*: (a) common base; (b) common emitter; (c) common collector.

# BIPOLAR TRANSISTORS

- AMPLIFICATION
- SWITCHING

## 1. TRANSISTOR ACTION (PROTOTYPE TRANSISTOR)



BECAUSE  $N_E \ll N_D$  :  $J_p = 0 = q\mu_p \bar{E} - qD_p \frac{dp}{dx}$  IN THE BASE

$$\Rightarrow \bar{E} = \frac{kT}{q} \frac{1}{p} \frac{dp}{dx}$$

BASE E-FIELD.

ELECTRON CURRENT  $J_n = q\mu_n \bar{E} + qD_n \frac{dn}{dx}$  IN THE BASE

$$= kT \mu_n \frac{n}{p} \frac{dp}{dx} + qD_n \frac{dn}{dx}$$

$$= \frac{qD_n}{p} \left( n \frac{dp}{dx} + p \frac{dn}{dx} \right) = \frac{qD_n}{p} \frac{d(np)}{dx}$$

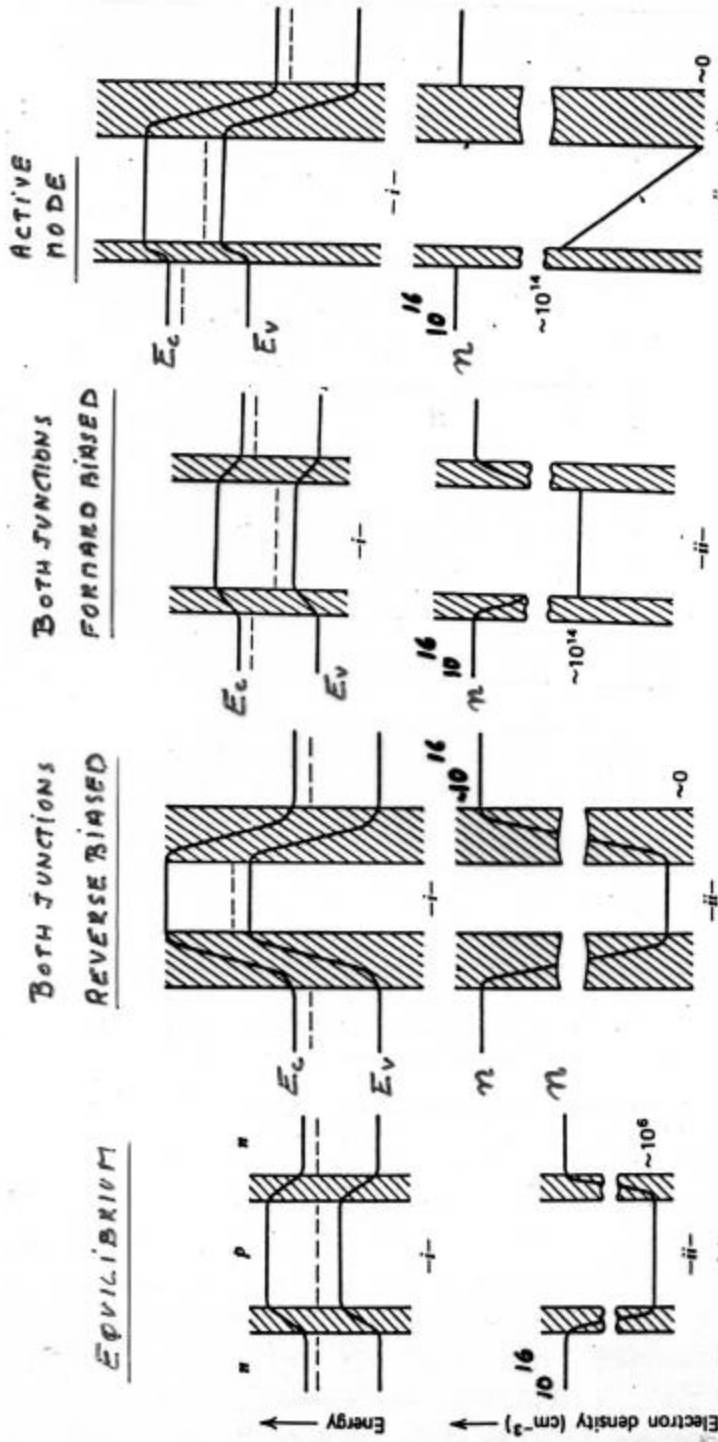
$$\Rightarrow \left[ \frac{J_n p dx}{qD_n} = d(np) \right]$$

$$\int_0^{x_B} \frac{J_n p dx}{qD_n} = n(x_B)p(x_B) - n(0)p(0)$$

$$\Rightarrow J_n = \frac{n_i}{\int_0^{x_B} \frac{p dx}{qD_n}} \left( e^{\frac{qV_{BC}}{kT}} - e^{\frac{qV_{BE}}{kT}} \right)$$

$n(0)p(0) = n_i^2 e^{\frac{qV_{BE}}{kT}}$   
 $n(x_B)p(x_B) = n_i^2 e^{\frac{qV_{BC}}{kT}}$

# TRANSISTOR ACTION: (PROTOTYPE TRANSISTOR)

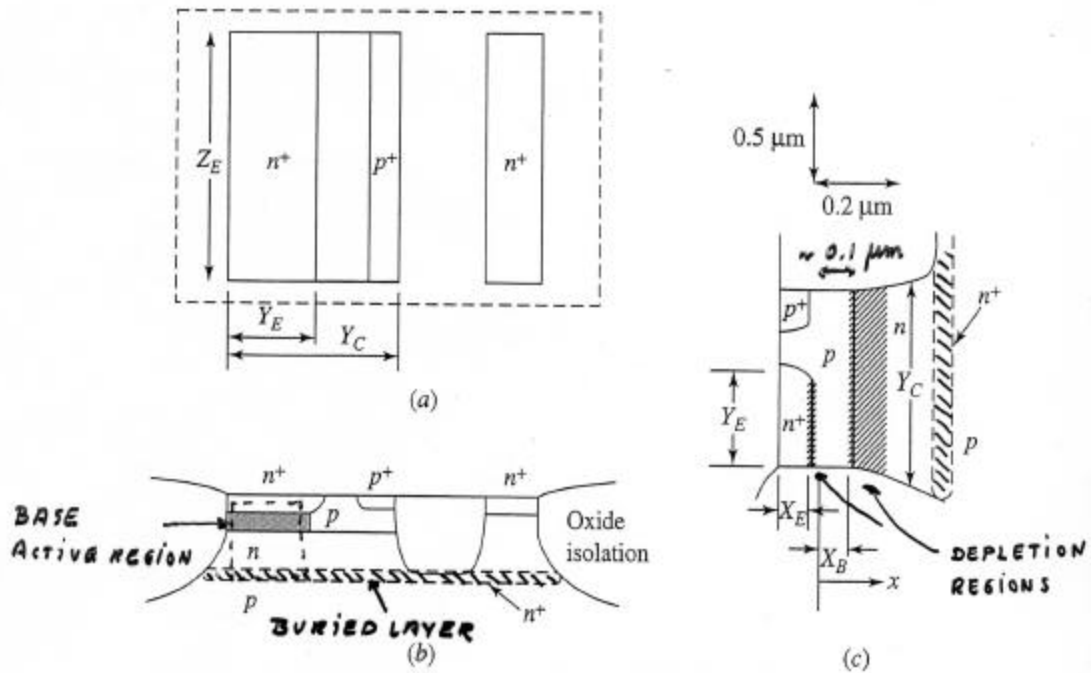


$$\delta n_B = n_{p0} \left[ e^{\frac{qV_{BE}}{kT}} \left( 1 - \frac{x}{x_B} \right) - 1 \right]$$

$$J_{nB} = -q D_n n_i^2 \exp\left(\frac{qV_{BE}}{kT}\right) \frac{2}{N_A x_B}$$

# TRANSISTORS FOR INTEGRATED CIRCUITS

## PLANAR PROCESS



**FIGURE 6.3** Top view (a) and cross sections (b and c) of an oxide-isolated *npn* IC transistor. The region dominating transistor action is shaded in (b), and the area bounded by the base diffusion is rotated  $90^\circ$  and expanded in (c);  $x$  and  $y$  scales are indicated for (c) only.

## ELECTRON BASE CURRENT

$$J_n = \frac{n_i^2}{\int_0^{x_B} \frac{p dx}{q D_n}} \left( e^{\frac{q V_{BC}}{kT}} - e^{\frac{q V_{BE}}{kT}} \right)$$

LET US SET:  $J_s = \frac{n_i^2}{\int_0^{x_B} \frac{p dx}{q D_n}}$  : SATURATION CURRENT

$$\begin{aligned} \text{IF } \int_0^{x_B} \frac{p dx}{q D_n} &= \frac{1}{q \bar{D}_n} \int_0^{x_B} p dx = \frac{1}{q^2 \bar{D}_n} q \int_0^{x_B} N_B(x) dx \\ &= \frac{Q_B}{q^2 \bar{D}_n} \end{aligned}$$

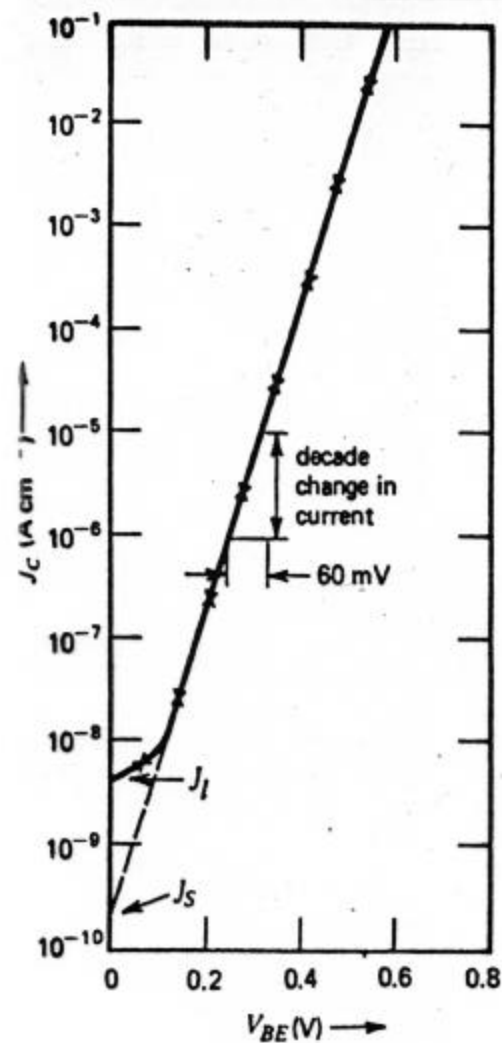
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} Q_B: \text{BUILT-IN BASE CHARGE} = q GN \\ GN: \text{GUMMEL NUMBER} : \int_0^{x_B} N_B dx \quad [cm^{-2}] \\ \bar{D}_n = \frac{\int_0^{x_B} p dx}{\int_0^{x_B} \frac{p dx}{D_n}} \quad \text{AVERAGE VALUE OF DIFFUSION COEFFICIENT} \\ \quad \quad \quad p = p(x); D_n = D_n(x) \end{array} \right.$$

$$J_n = J_s \left( e^{\frac{q V_{BC}}{kT}} - e^{\frac{q V_{BE}}{kT}} \right)$$

$$J_s = \frac{q n_i^2 \bar{D}_n}{Q_B}$$

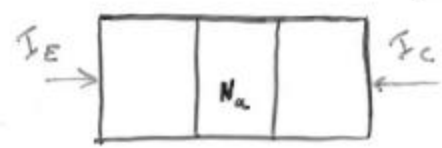
$J_n$  : SENSITIVE FUNCTION OF  $V_{BC}$  AND  $V_{BE}$

↳ CURRENT FLOWING FROM THE FIRST JUNCTION TO THE SECOND JUNCTION.



ACTIVE BIAS  $V_{BC} < 0$

$$J_m = -J_s e^{\frac{qV_{BE}}{kT}}$$



$$J_s = \frac{q^2 n_i^2 \tilde{D}_n}{Q_B} \propto \frac{1}{GN}$$

$$GN = \int_0^{x_B} N_a(x) dx = \frac{Q_B}{q}$$

$$= \frac{q n_i^2 \tilde{D}_n}{J_s} \quad : \text{TOTAL BASE DOPING}$$

⇒ HIGH C CURRENT: LOW GN

BUT HIGH LEVEL INJECTION: PERFORMANCE DEGRADATION

