

BJT h-parameter (H.16)

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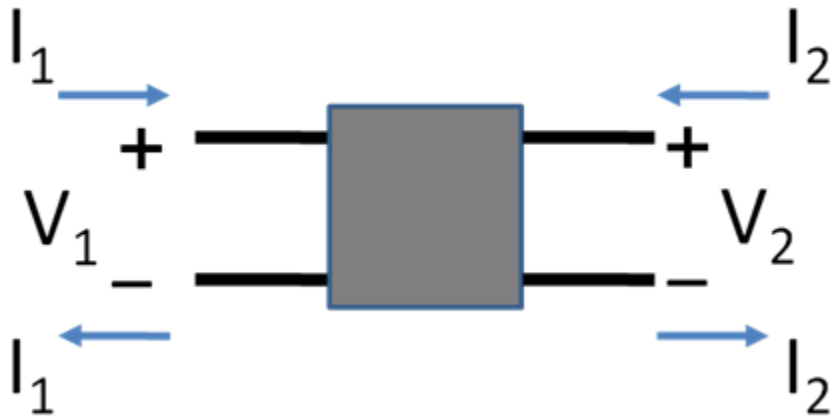


Figure 1: Example two-port network with symbol definitions.
Notice the port condition is satisfied:
the same current flows into each port as leaves that port.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Two-port_network#Hybrid_parameters_.28h-parameters.29

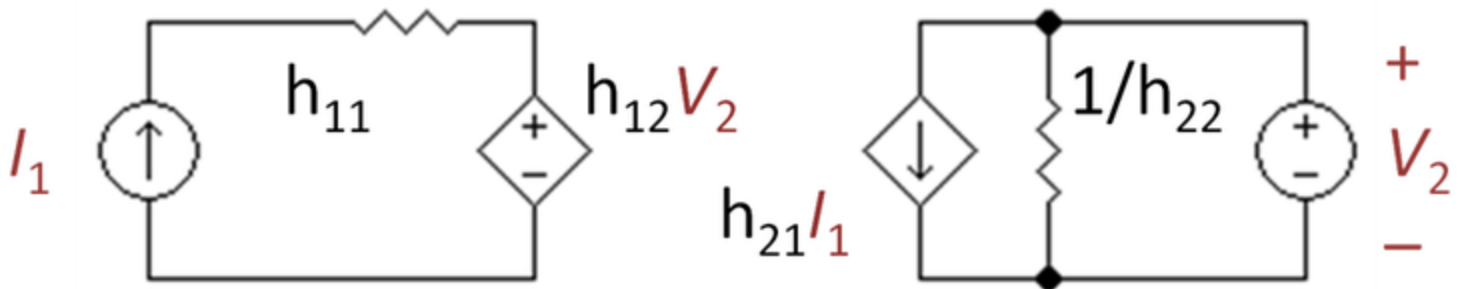
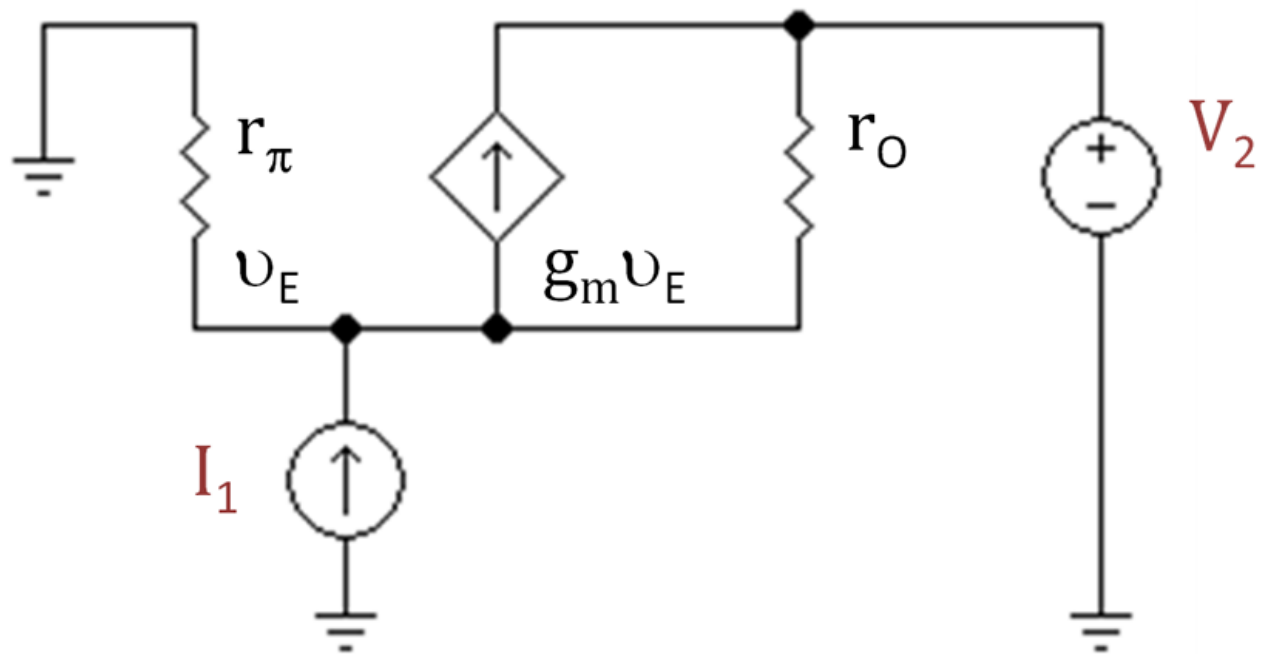


Figure 6: H-equivalent two-port showing independent variables I_1 and V_2 ; h_{22} is reciprocated to make a resistor

$$\begin{bmatrix} V_1 \\ I_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} h_{11} & h_{12} \\ h_{21} & h_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I_1 \\ V_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$h_{11} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{V_1}{I_1} \Big|_{V_2=0} \quad h_{12} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{V_1}{V_2} \Big|_{I_1=0}$$

$$h_{21} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{I_2}{I_1} \Big|_{V_2=0} \quad h_{22} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{I_2}{V_2} \Big|_{I_1=0}$$



$$h_{21} = \frac{I_2}{I_1} \Big|_{V_2=0} = -\frac{\frac{\beta}{\beta+1} r_O + r_\pi}{r_O + r_\pi} = -\frac{\beta}{\beta+1}$$

$$h_{11} = \frac{V_1}{I_1} \Big|_{V_2=0} = r_\pi \parallel r_O$$

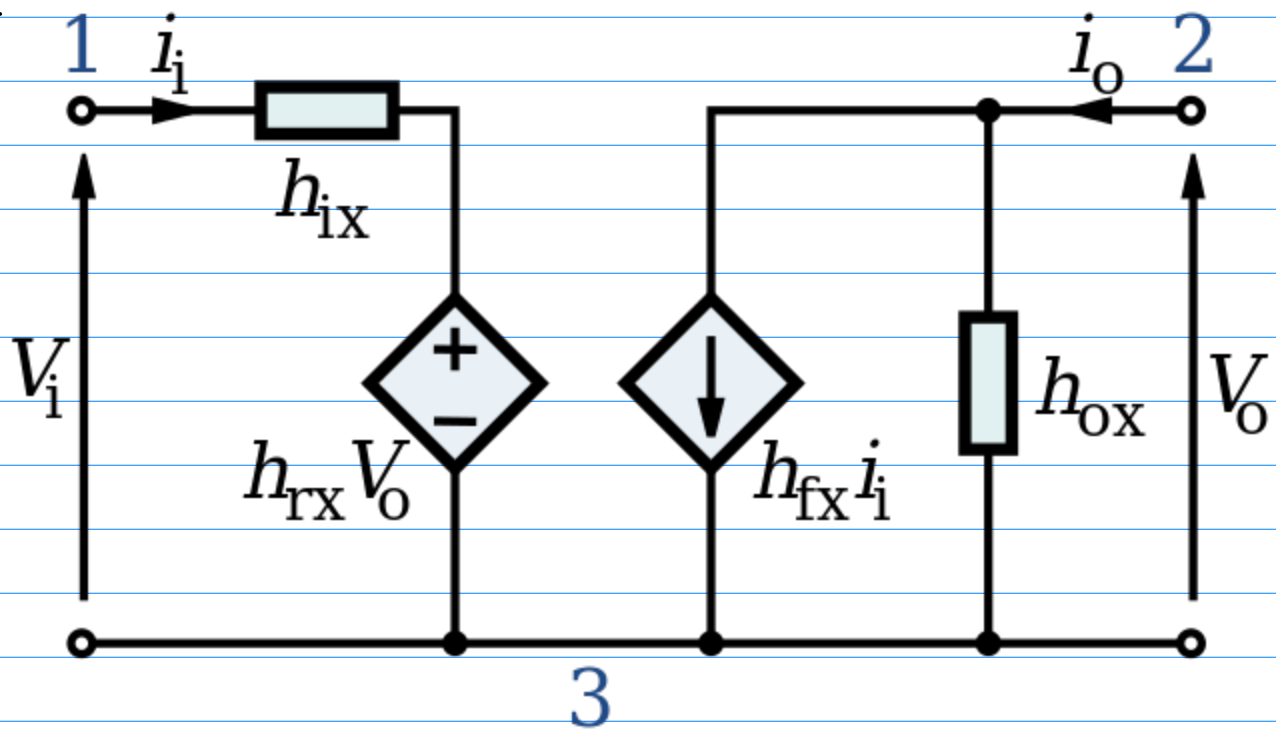
$$h_{22} = \frac{I_2}{V_2} \Big|_{I_1=0} = \frac{1}{(\beta+1)(r_O + r_\pi)} = \frac{1}{(\beta+1)r_O}$$

$$h_{12} = \frac{V_1}{V_2} \Big|_{I_1=0} = \frac{r_\pi}{r_O + r_\pi} = \frac{r_\pi}{r_O} \ll 1$$

The h-parameters were initially called series-parallel parameters.
The term hybrid to describe these parameters was coined by D. A.
Aisberg in 1953 in "Transistor metrology".[8]

In 1954 a joint committee of the IRE and the AIEE
adopted the term h parameters and recommended
that these become the standard method of testing and characterising transistors
because they were "peculiarly adaptable to the physical characteristics of transistors".[9]
In 1956 the recommendation became an issued standard; 56 IRE 28.S2.
Following the merge of these two organisations as the IEEE,
the standard became Std 218-1956 and was reaffirmed in 1980,
but has now been withdrawn.[10]

h-parameter model



Another model commonly used to analyze BJT circuits is the h-parameter model, closely related to the hybrid-pi model and the y-parameter two-port, but using input current and output voltage as independent variables, rather than input and output voltages.

This two-port network is particularly suited to BJTs as it lends itself easily to the analysis of circuit behaviour, and may be used to develop further accurate models.

As shown, the term, x, in the model represents a different BJT lead depending on the topology used.

For common-emitter mode the various symbols take on the specific values as:

Terminal 1, base

Terminal 2, collector

Terminal 3 (common), emitter; giving x to be e

i_i , base current (i_b)

i_o , collector current (i_c)

V_{in} , base-to-emitter voltage (V_{BE})

V_o , collector-to-emitter voltage (V_{CE})

and the h-parameters are given by:

$h_{ix} = h_{ie}$, the input impedance of the transistor
(corresponding to the base resistance r_{pi}).

$h_{rx} = h_{re}$, represents the dependence of the transistor's I_B - V_{BE} curve
on the value of V_{CE} . It is usually very small and is often neglected
(assumed to be zero).

$h_{fx} = h_{fe}$, the current-gain of the transistor.
This parameter is often specified as h_{FE} or
the DC current-gain (β_{DC}) in datasheets.

$h_{ox} = 1/h_{oe}$, the output impedance of transistor.
The parameter h_{oe} usually corresponds to the output admittance
of the bipolar transistor and has to be inverted to convert it to an impedance.

As shown, the h-parameters have lower-case subscripts and hence signify AC conditions or analyses. For DC conditions they are specified in upper-case. For the CE topology, an approximate h-parameter model is commonly used which further simplifies the circuit analysis. For this the h_{oe} and h_{re} parameters are neglected (that is, they are set to infinity and zero, respectively). The h-parameter model as shown is suited to low-frequency, small-signal analysis. For high-frequency analyses the inter-electrode capacitances that are important at high frequencies must be added.

Etymology of h_{FE}

The h refers to its being an h -parameter, a set of parameters named for their origin in a hybrid equivalent circuit model.

F is from forward current amplification also called the current gain.

E refers to the transistor operating in a common emitter (CE) configuration.

Capital letters used in the subscript indicate that h_{FE} refers to a direct current circuit.

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TYPICAL STATIC CHARACTERISTICS

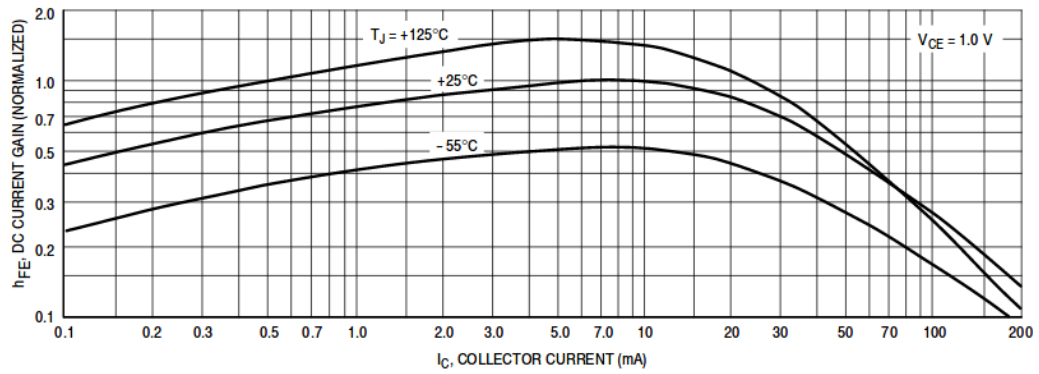
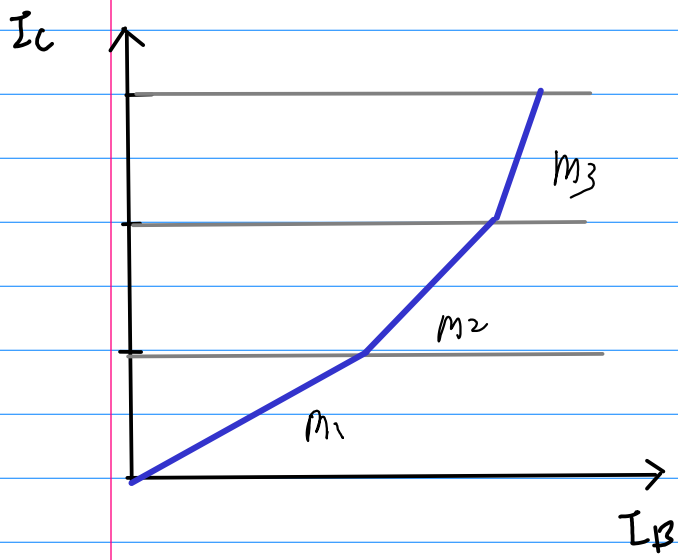
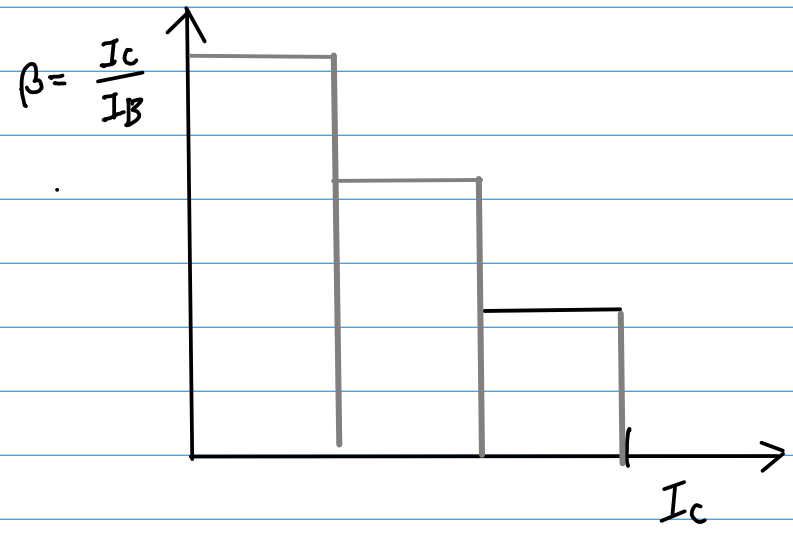
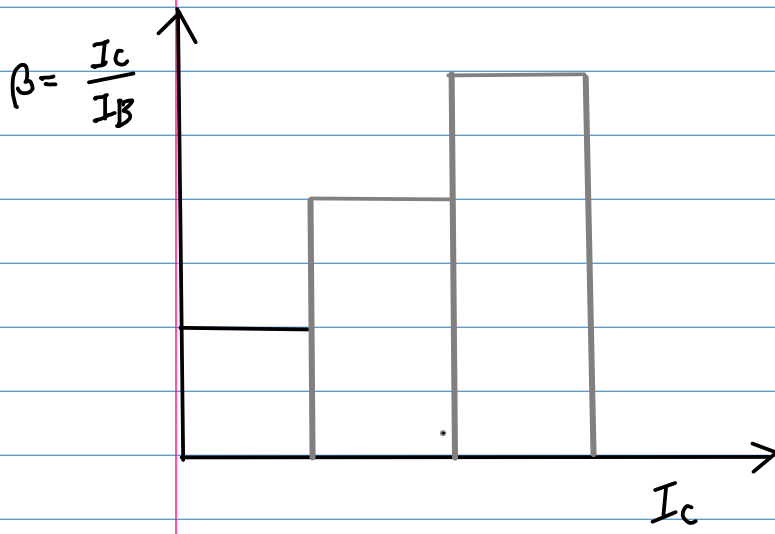
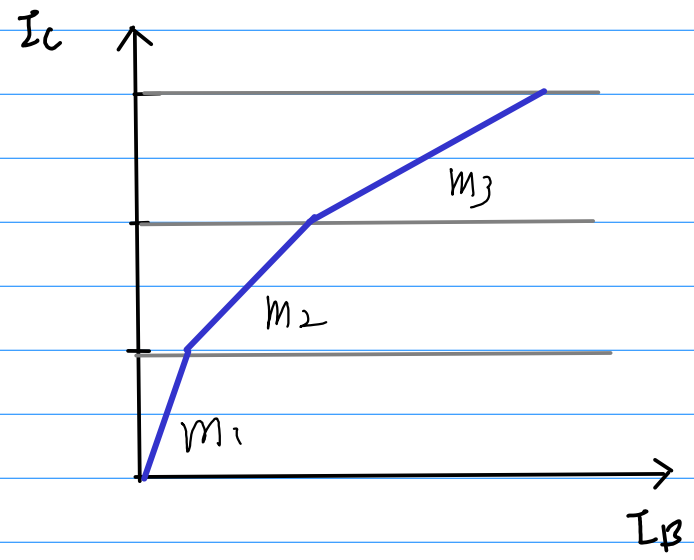


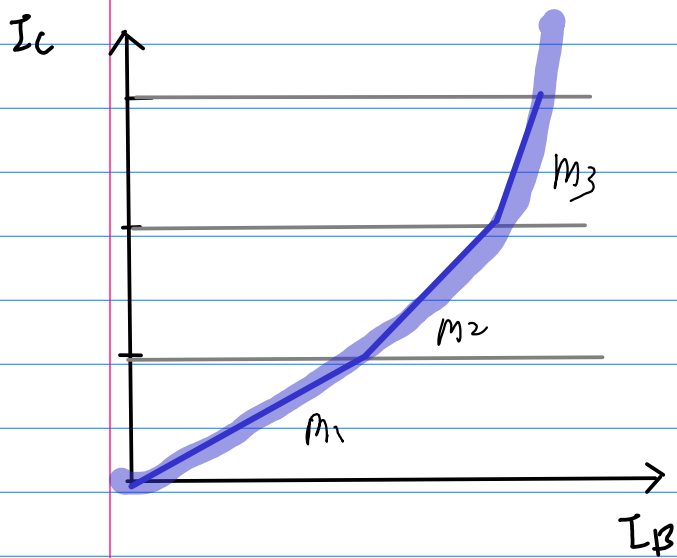
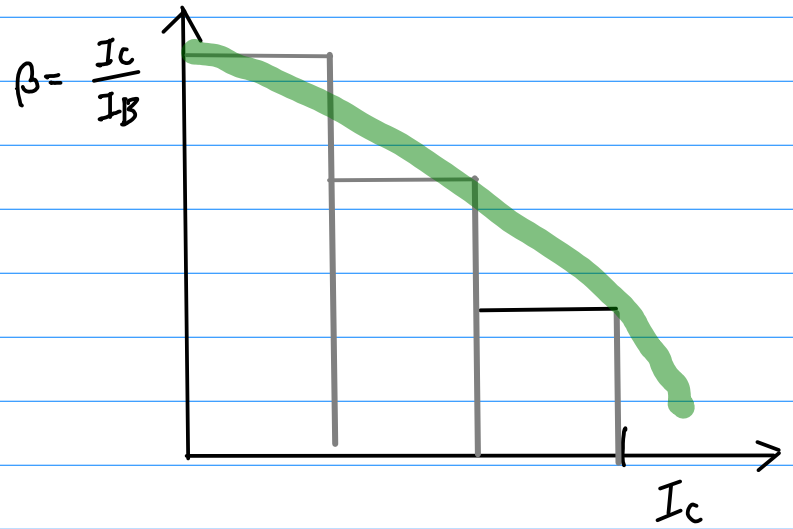
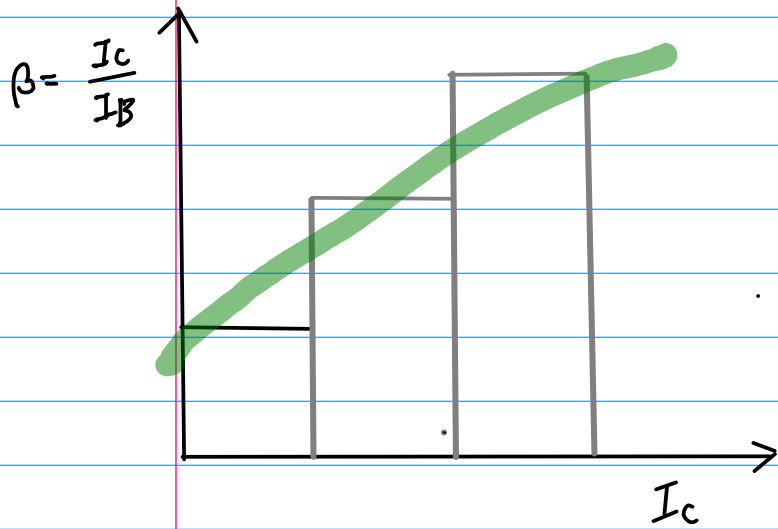
Figure 15. DC Current Gain



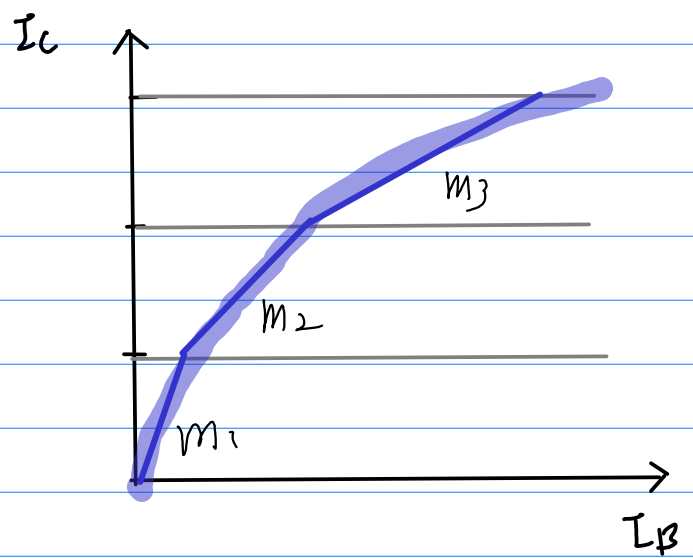
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$$\beta = \frac{I_c}{I_B}$$

