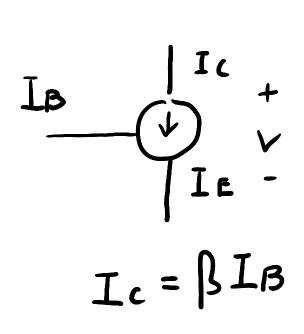
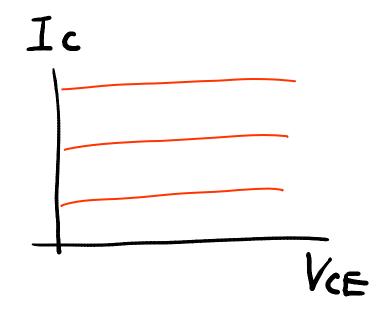
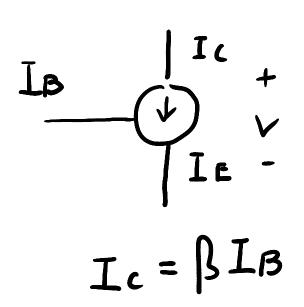
- What is a transistor?
  - I. Current-controlled current source



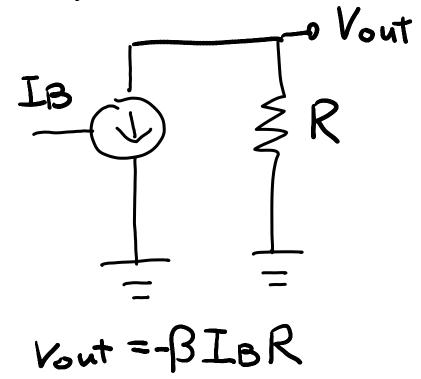


I. Current-controlled current source: What can you do with it?



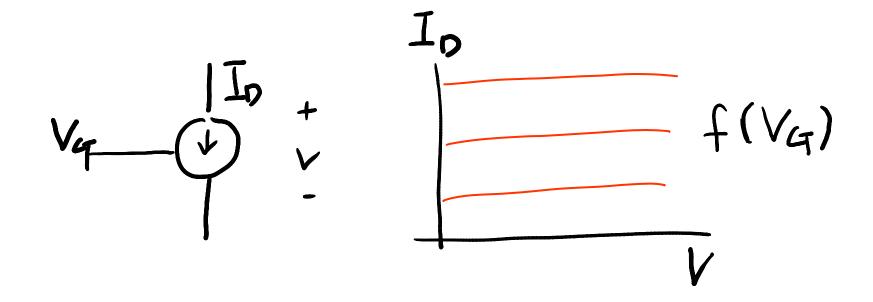
Amplifier!

- Current amplifier

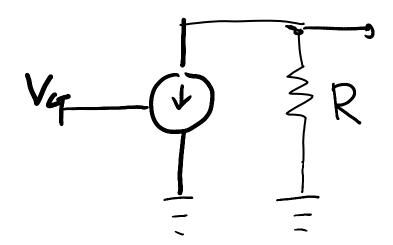


Transimpedance amplifier

- What is a transistor?
- 2. Voltage-controlled current source

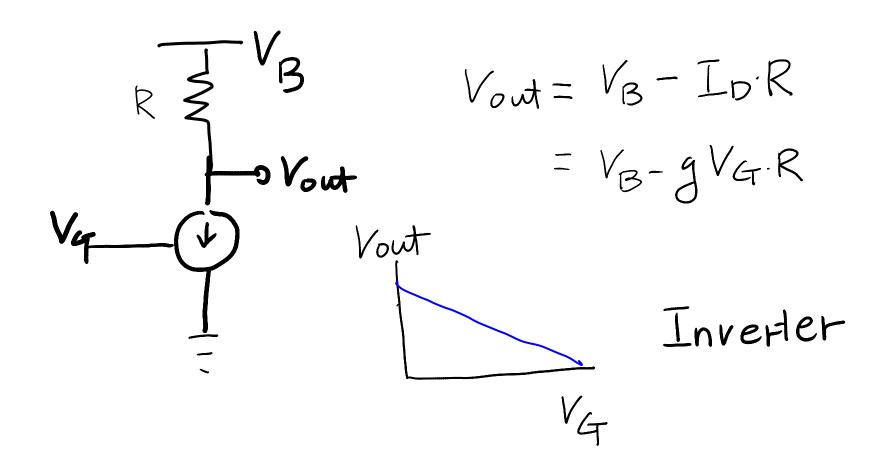


Voltage-controlled current source: What can you do with it?



Voltage amplifier

I. Voltage-controlled current source: What can you do with it?



- What is a transistor?

Transistors are either current-controlled current source or voltage-controlled current source.

- → can act as amplifiers (analog applications) and inverters (digital applications)
- → Transistors are the basic building block for electronics !!!

-How to realize transistors?

Three terminals: One controlling current flow between the other two

Vacuum Tubes:

Cathod, Anode (plate), Grid(s)

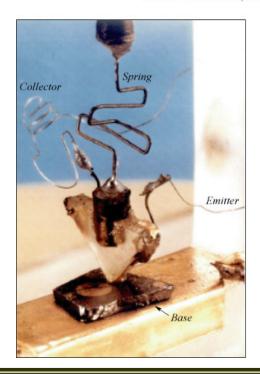


-How to realize transistors? Semiconductors

Three terminals: One controlling current flow between the other two

#### The first point contact transistor

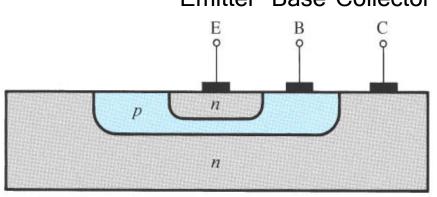
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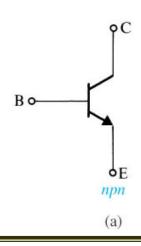


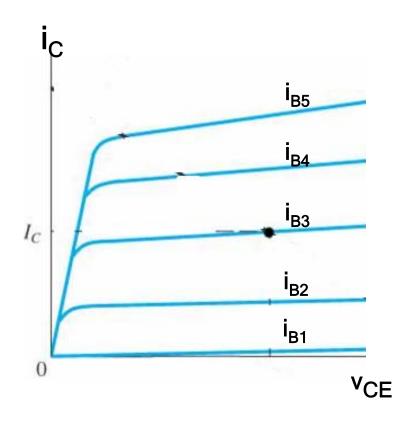


### **Bipolar Junction Transistor**



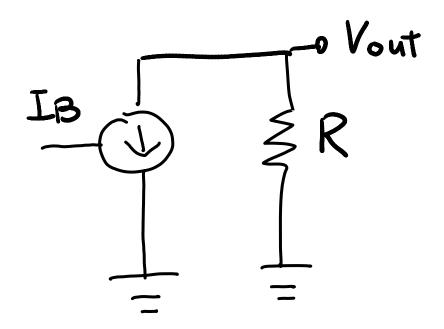


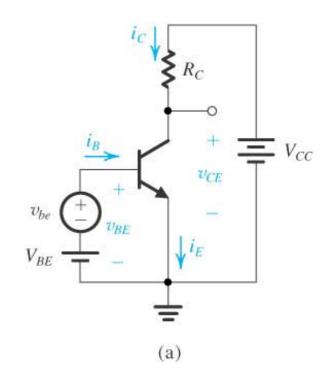




Current-controlled current source

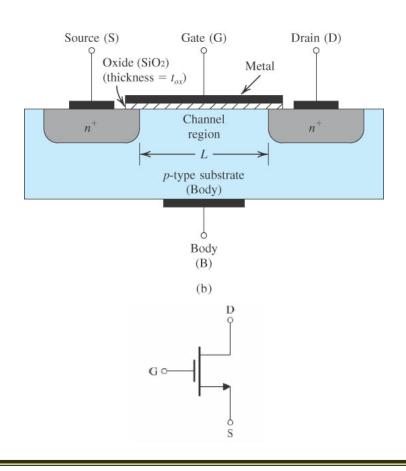
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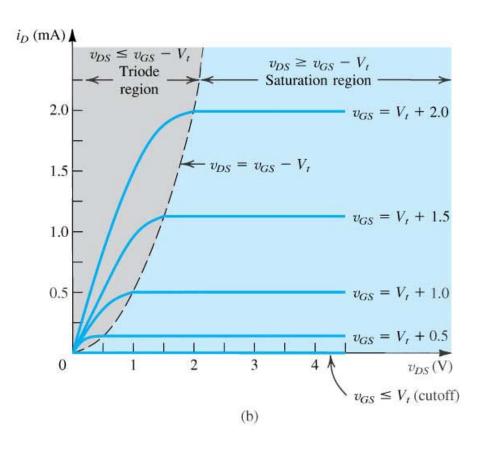




$$v_{ce}/i_b = -\beta R_C$$

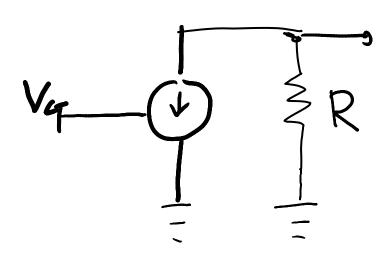
### **MOSFET** transistors

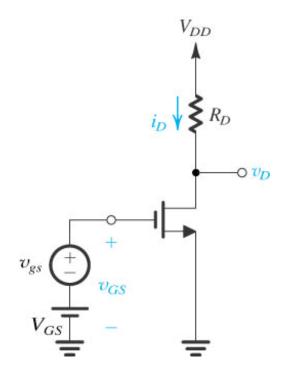




Voltage-controlled current source

Voltage amplifier





$$v_{ds}/v_{gs} = -g_m R_D$$