

# ME133 Lecture 7

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Last time:

→ BJT - overvoltage

→ BJT as a switch

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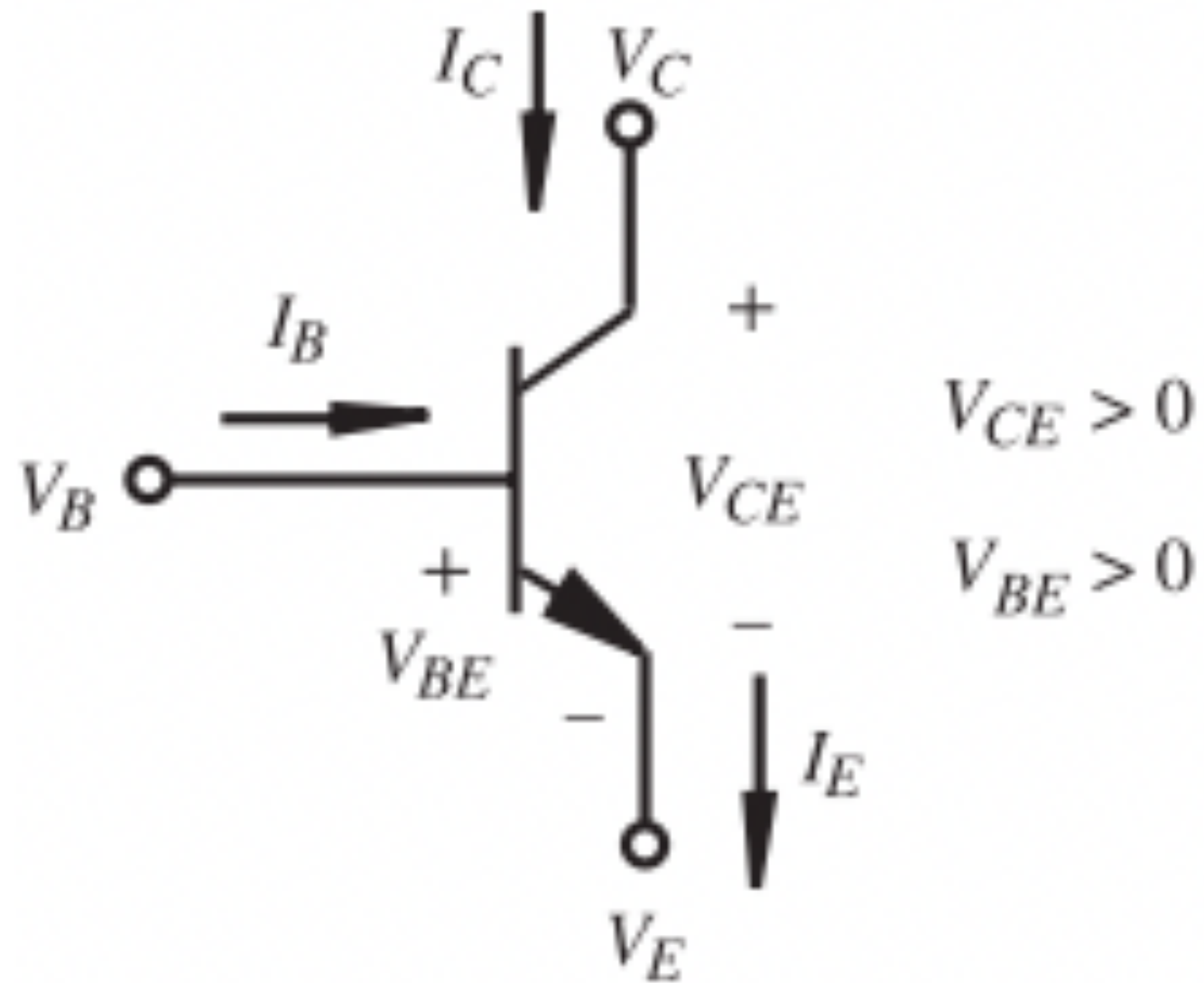
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while (1) {  
    digitalWrite(pin)  
    if pin == High  
        break;  
}
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Today:

> Emitter Degeneration

> FET, Field effect transistors

# Recall npn BJT fundamentals

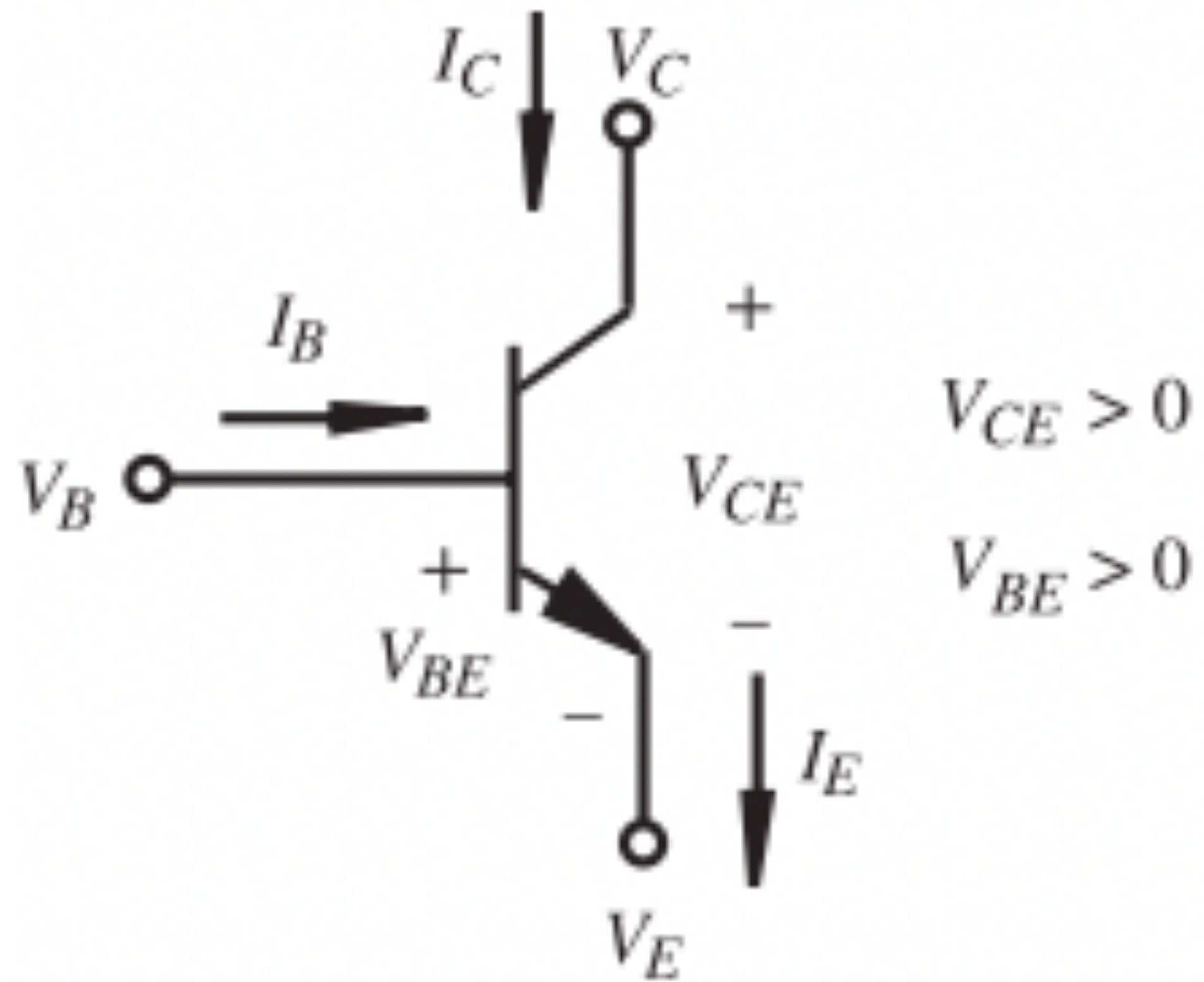


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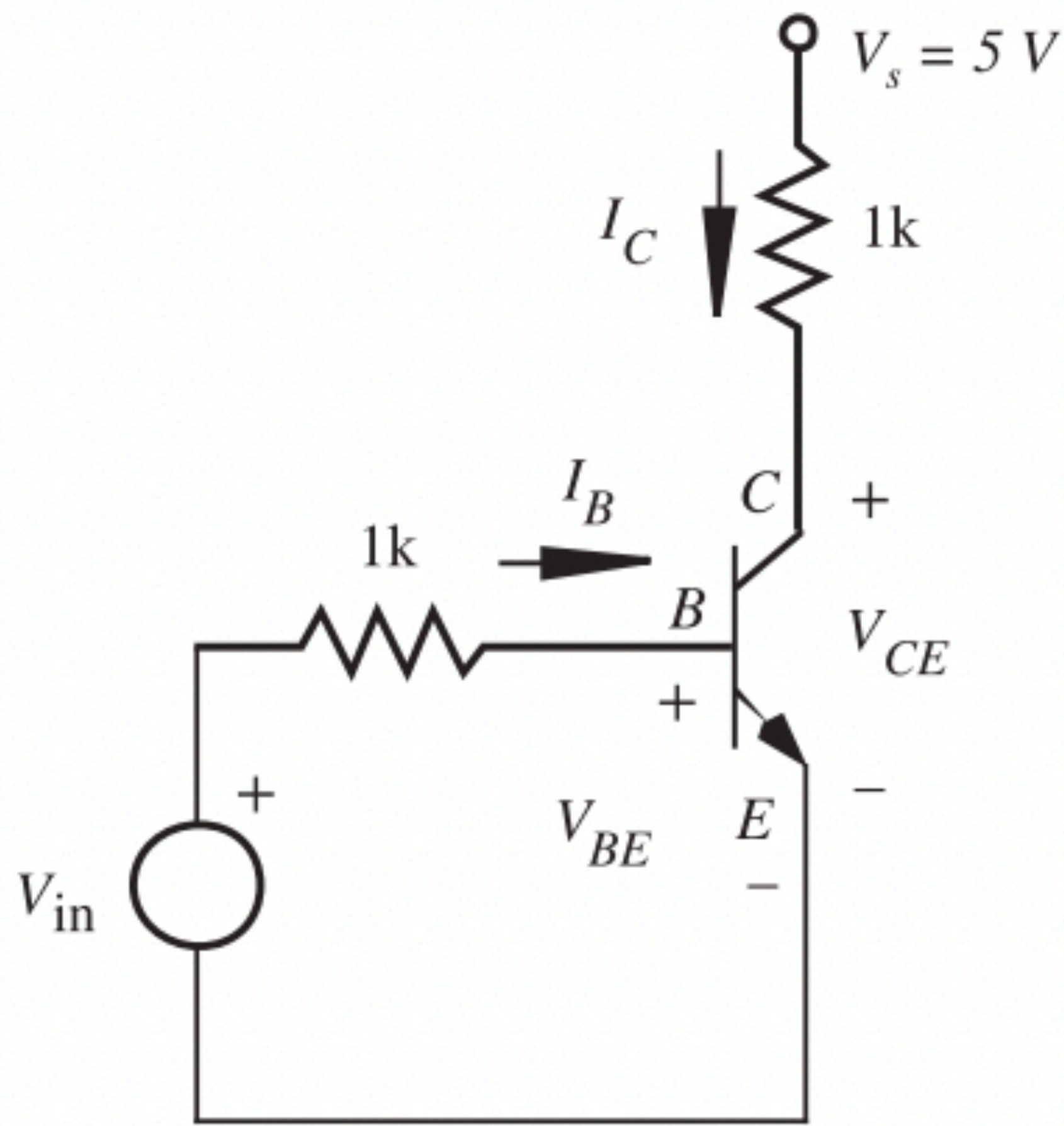
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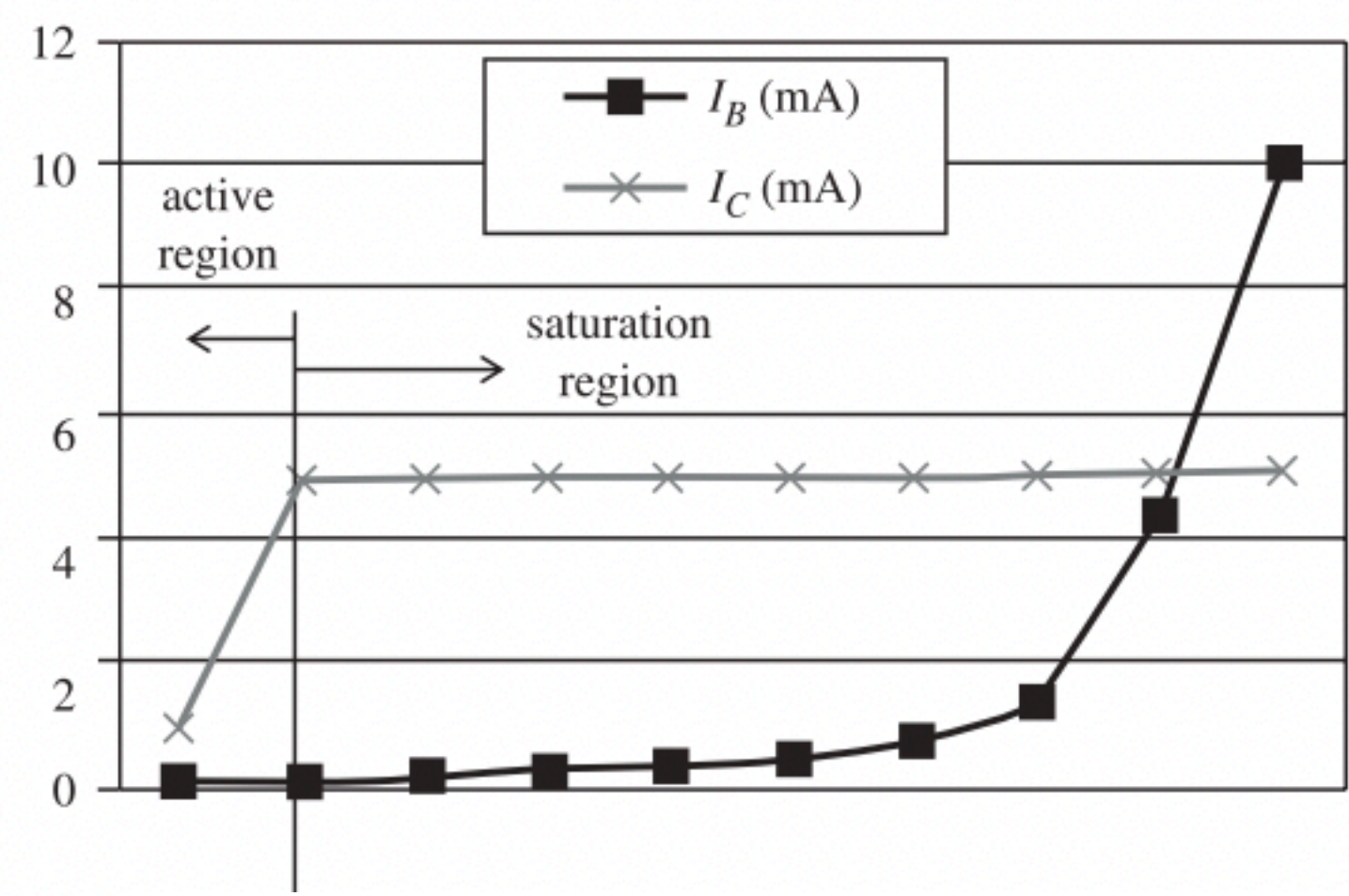
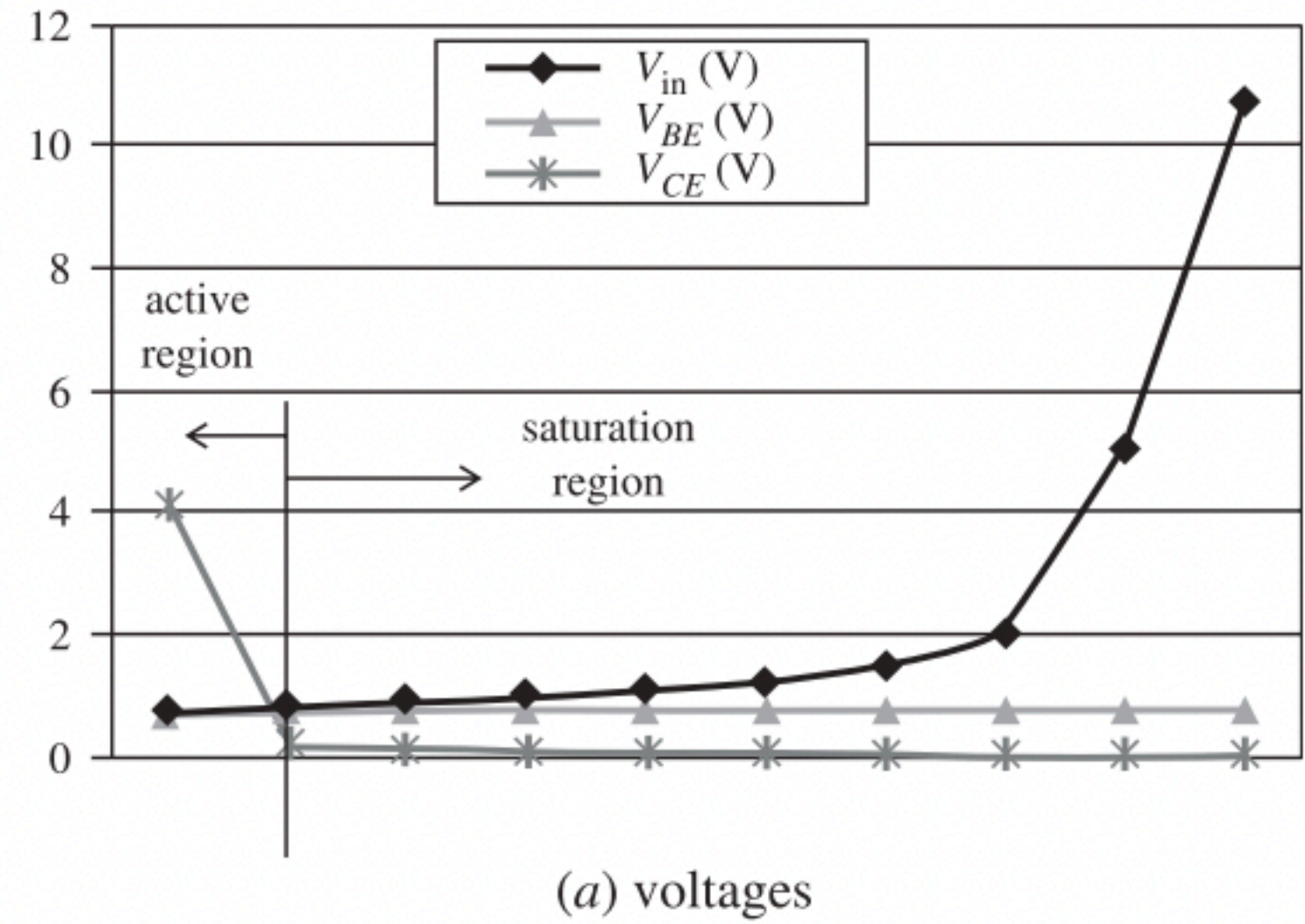
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# Real Data

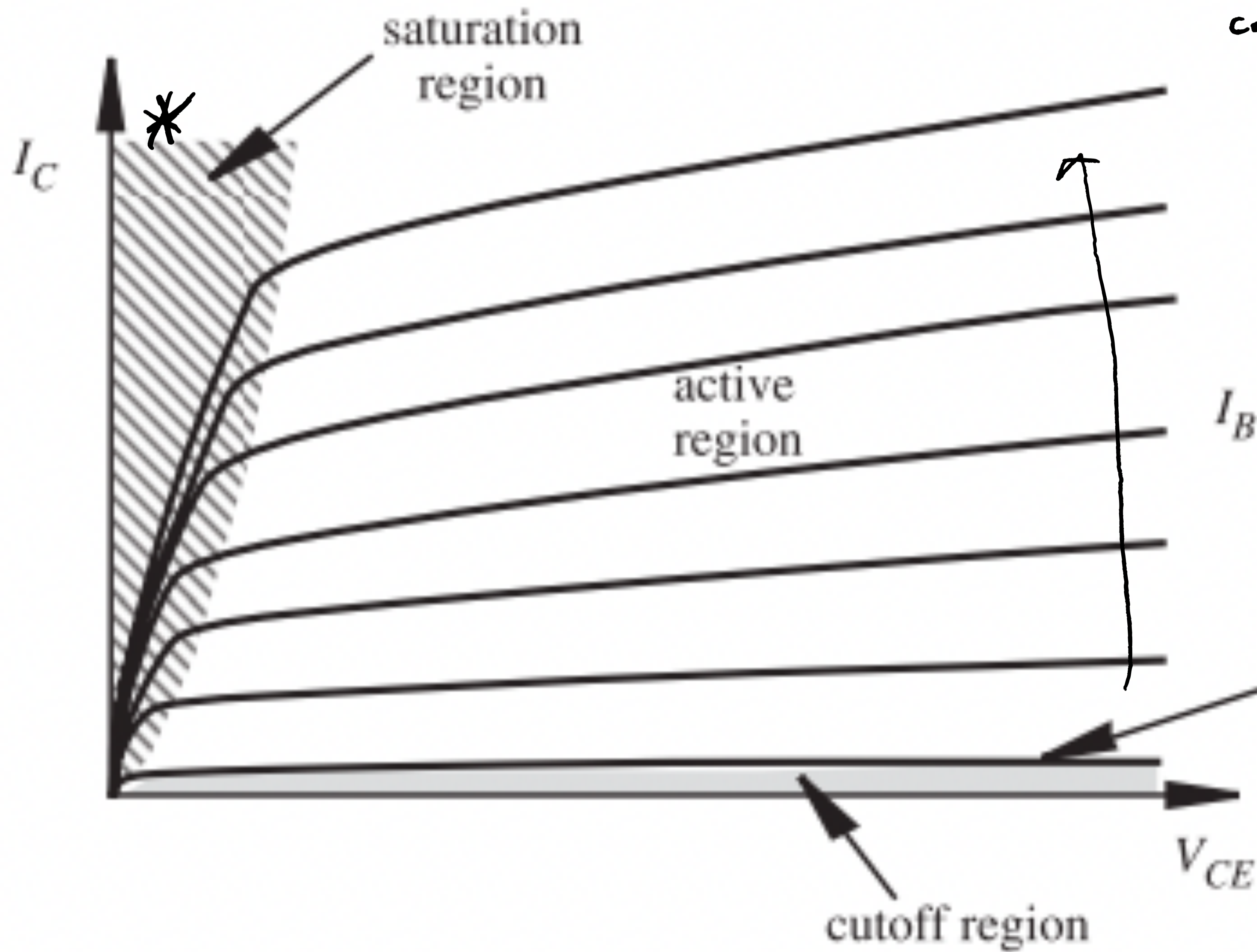


(a) common emitter





# common emitter characteristics



## Saturation Region

collector current is  
stightly controlled by  
the collector circuit  
(Load)

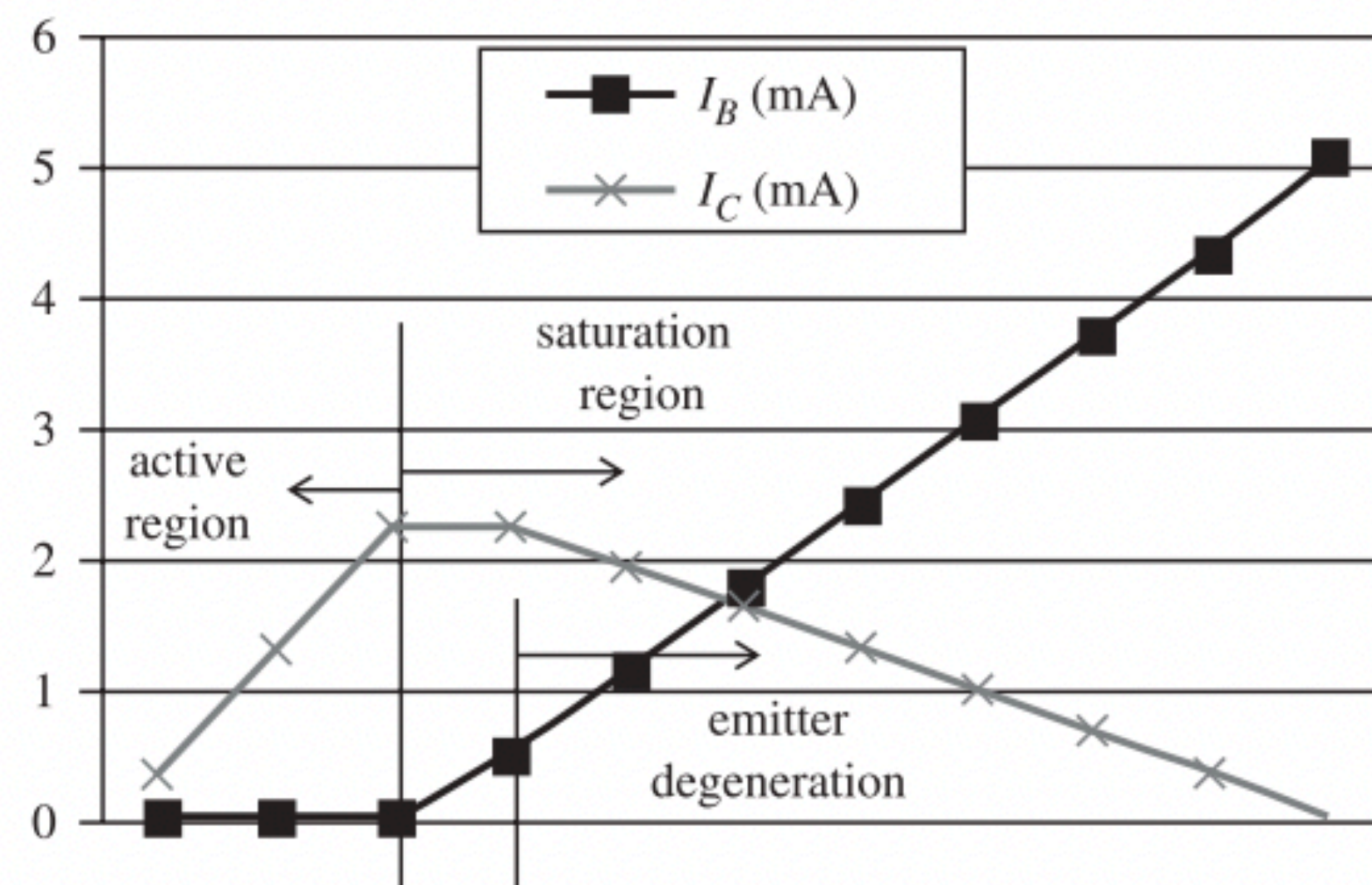
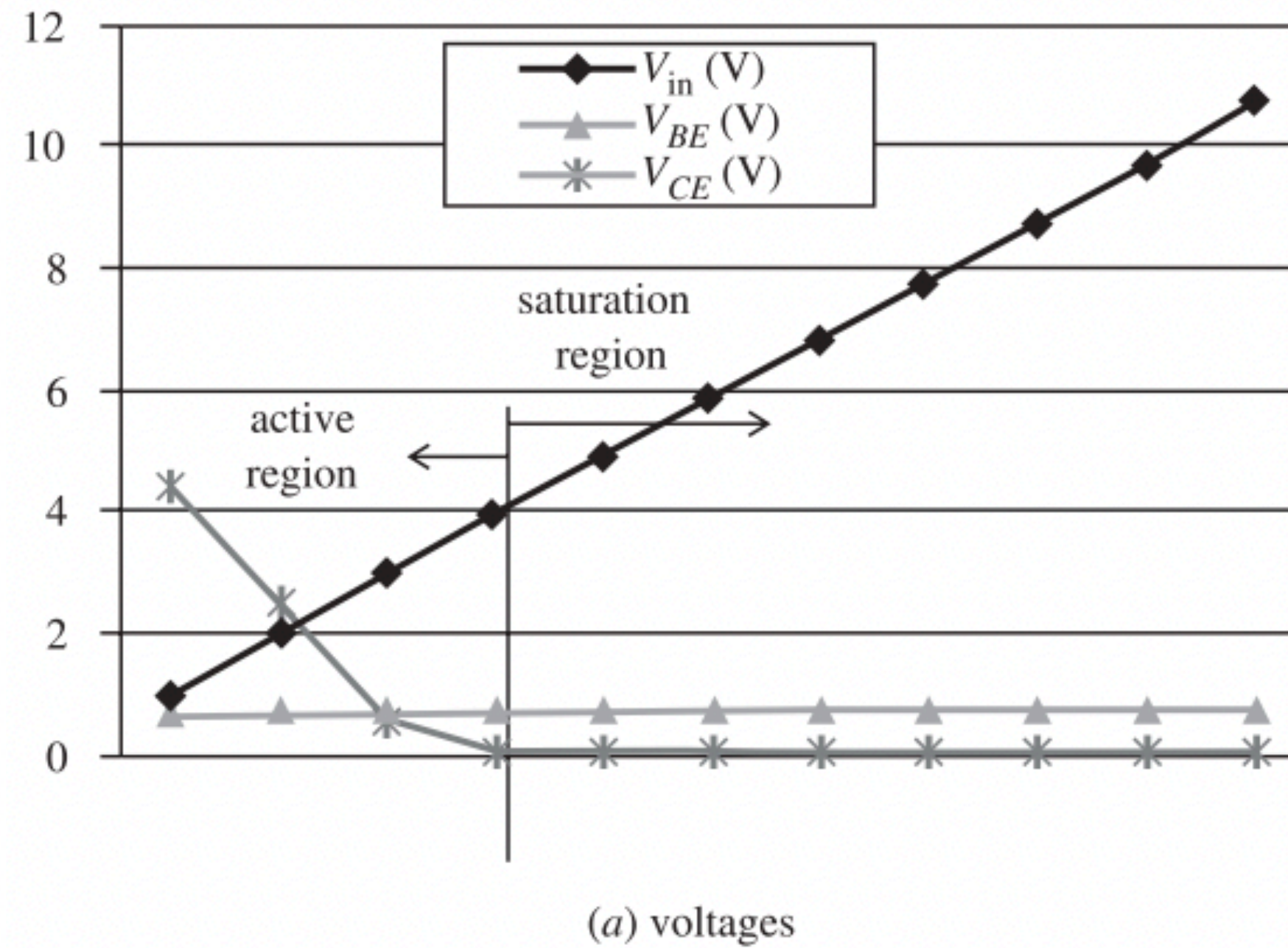
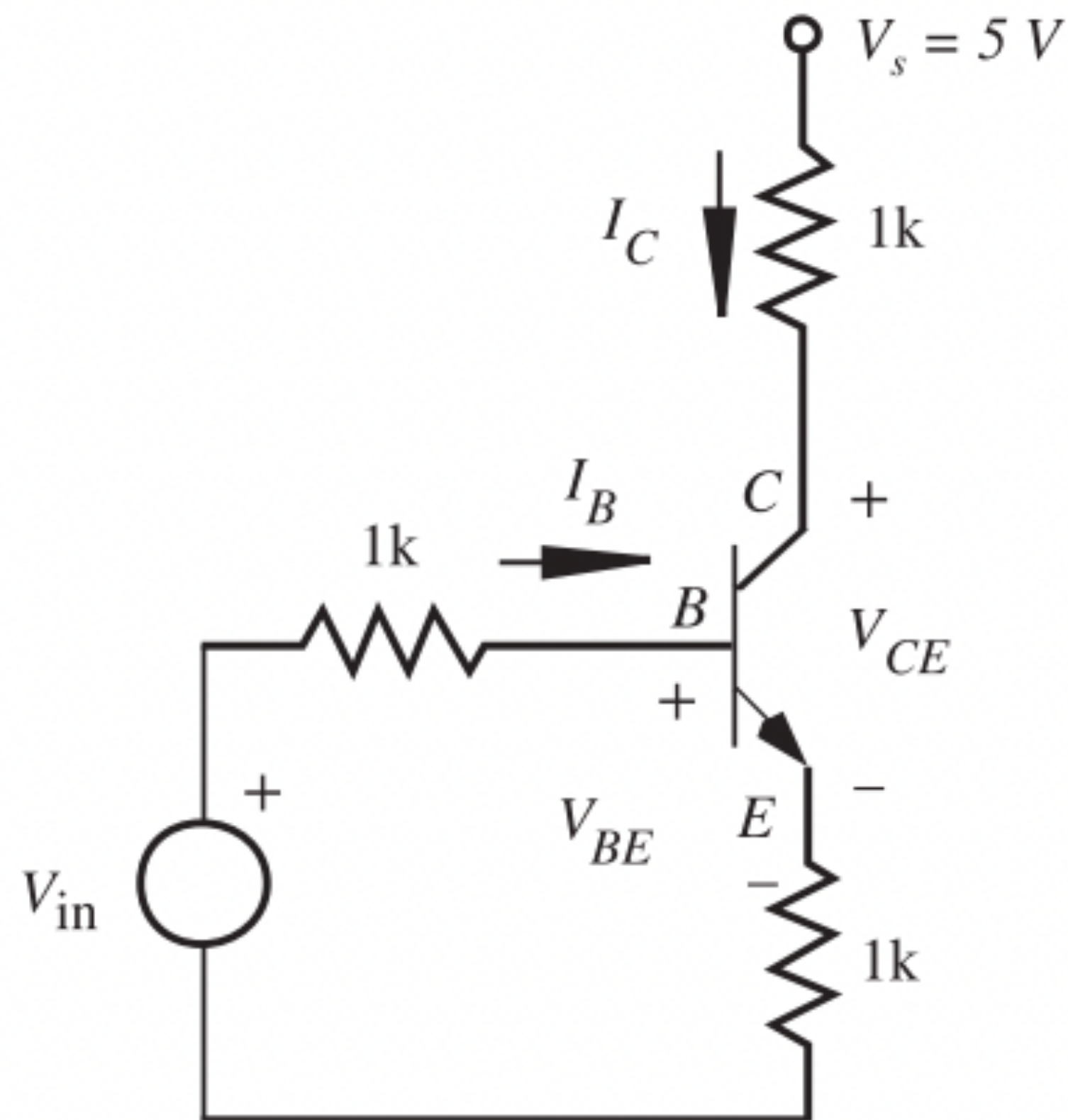
## Active Region

Collector current  
is proportional to  
base current

Cutoff  
no collector  
current.



# Emitter Degeneration



as base current is increased, the collector current drops, why?

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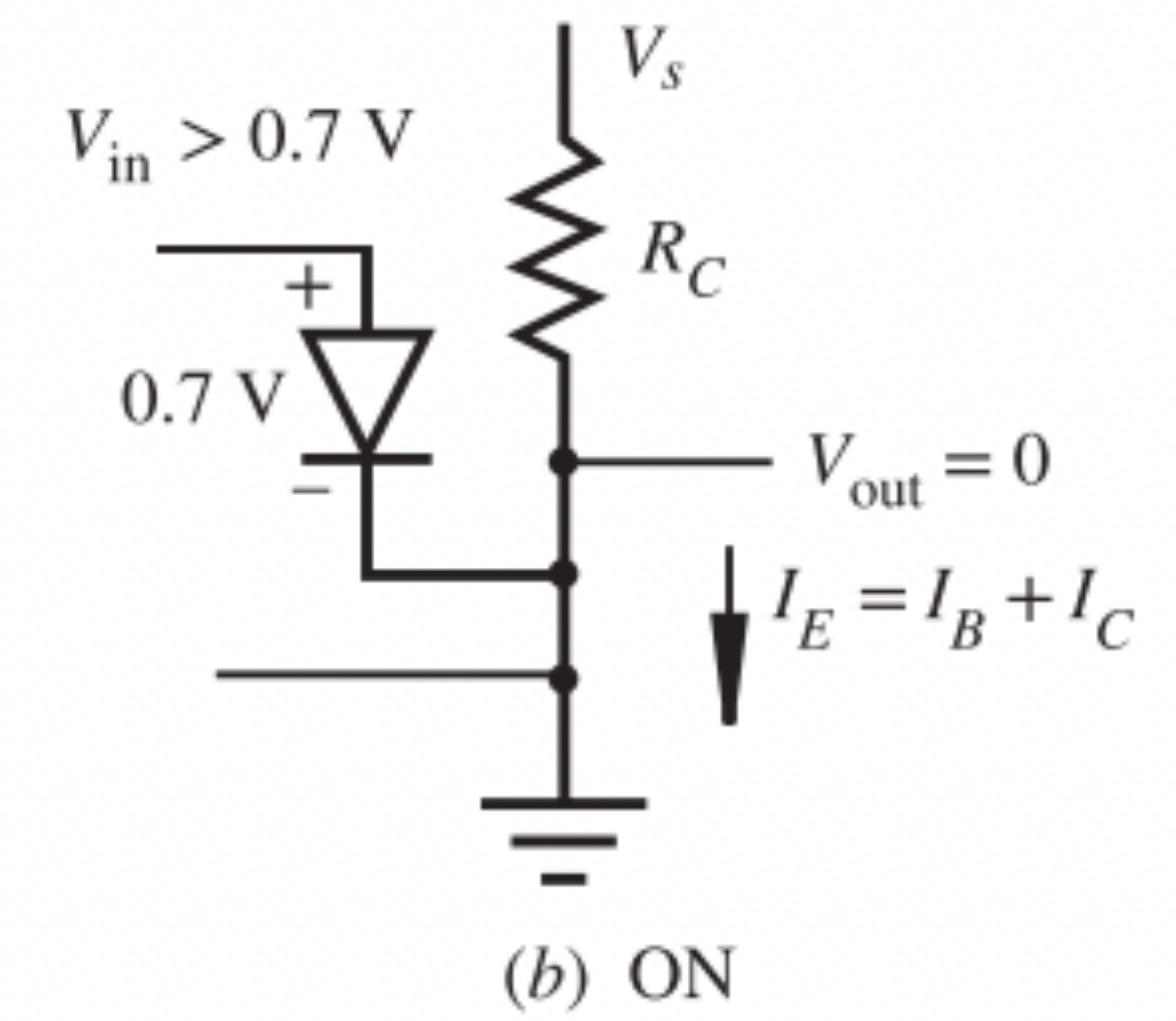
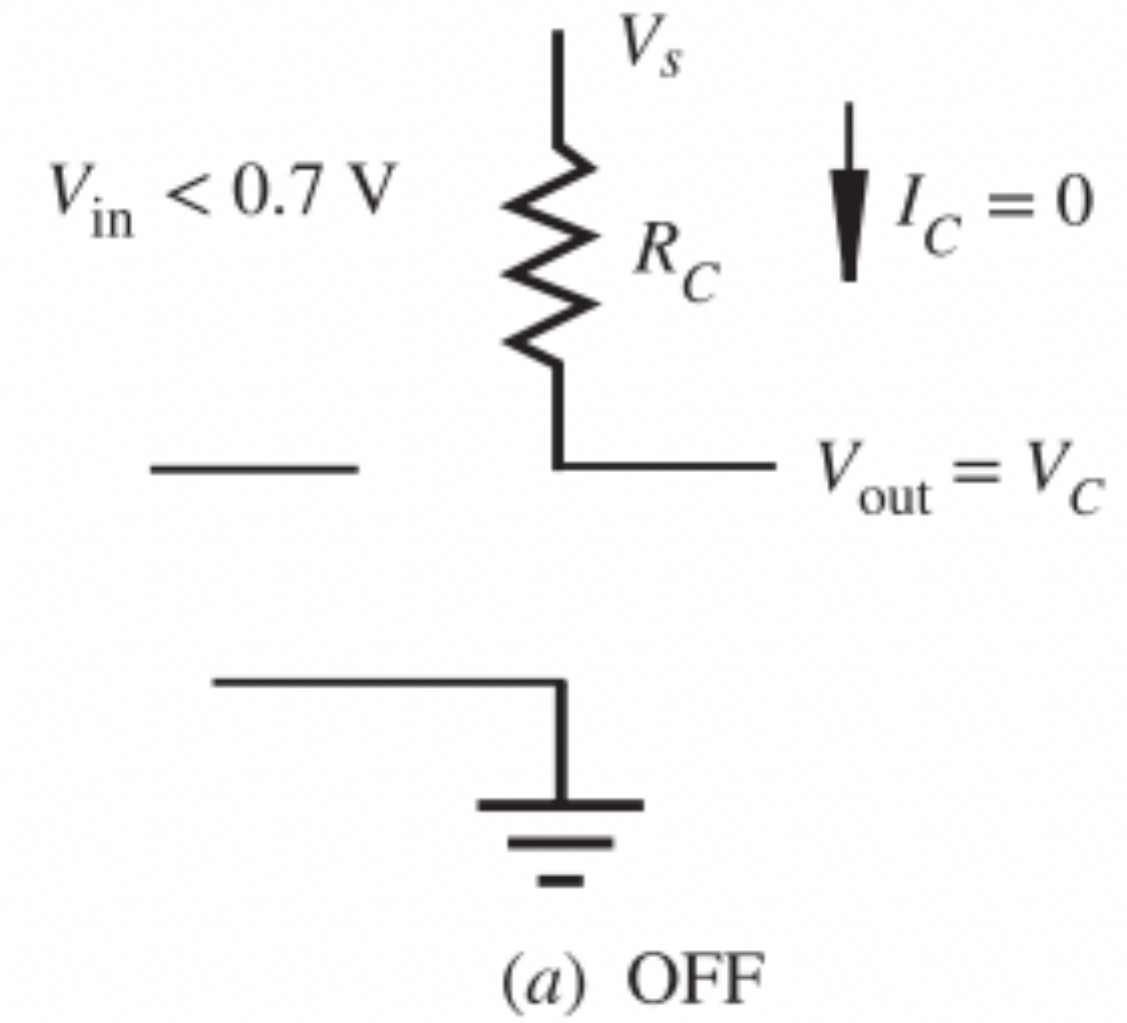
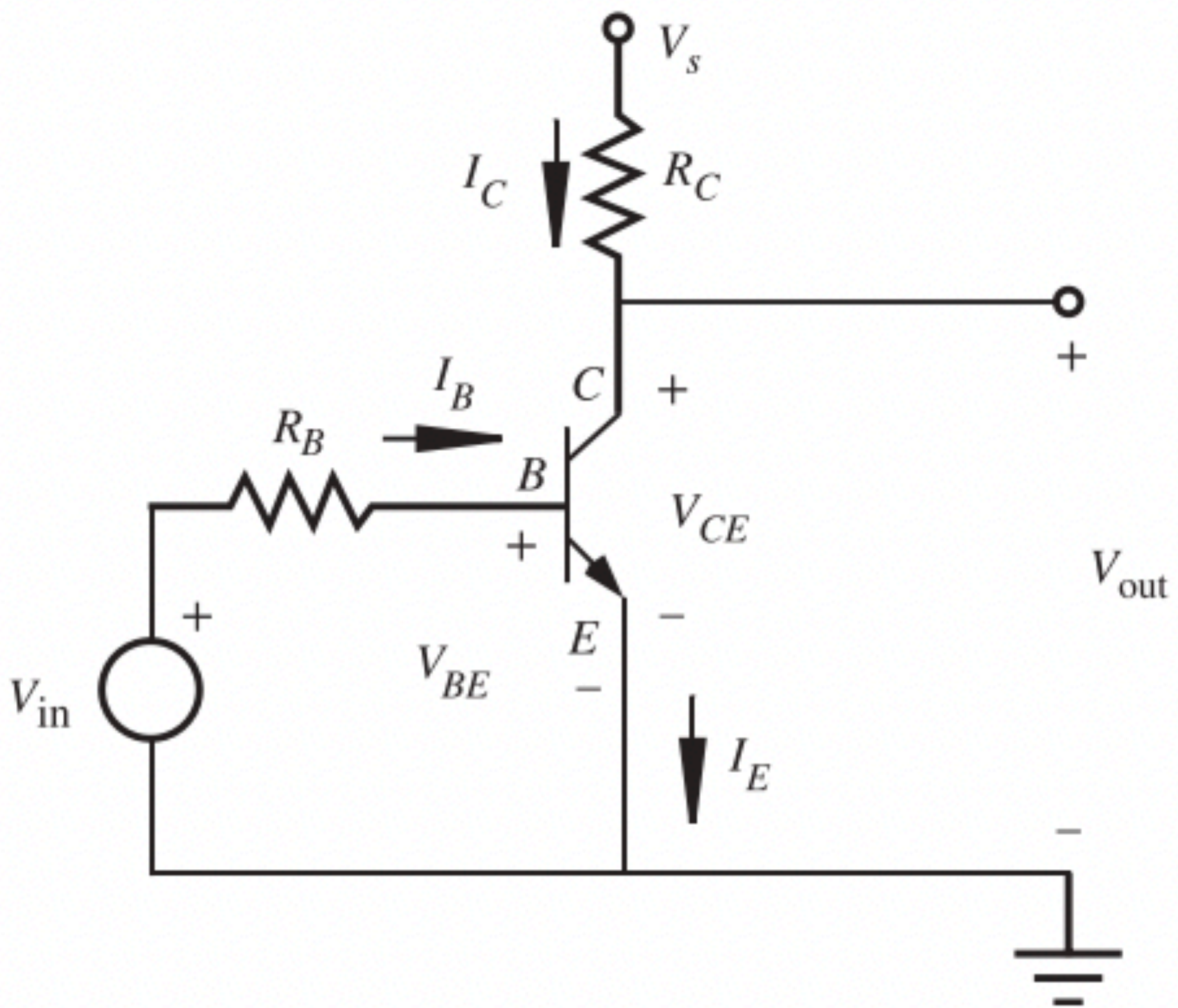
creates a larger voltage across the emitter resistor

$$V_E = I_E R_E$$

this reduces the difference across the collector resistor → no voltage difference, → no current flow



# Summary of BJT Switch



For typical mechatronic applications the common emitter configuration is more appropriate because it is easier to ensure saturation  $\rightarrow$  max current flow

$R_B$  is required

$$I_B = (V_{in} - V_B) / R_B$$

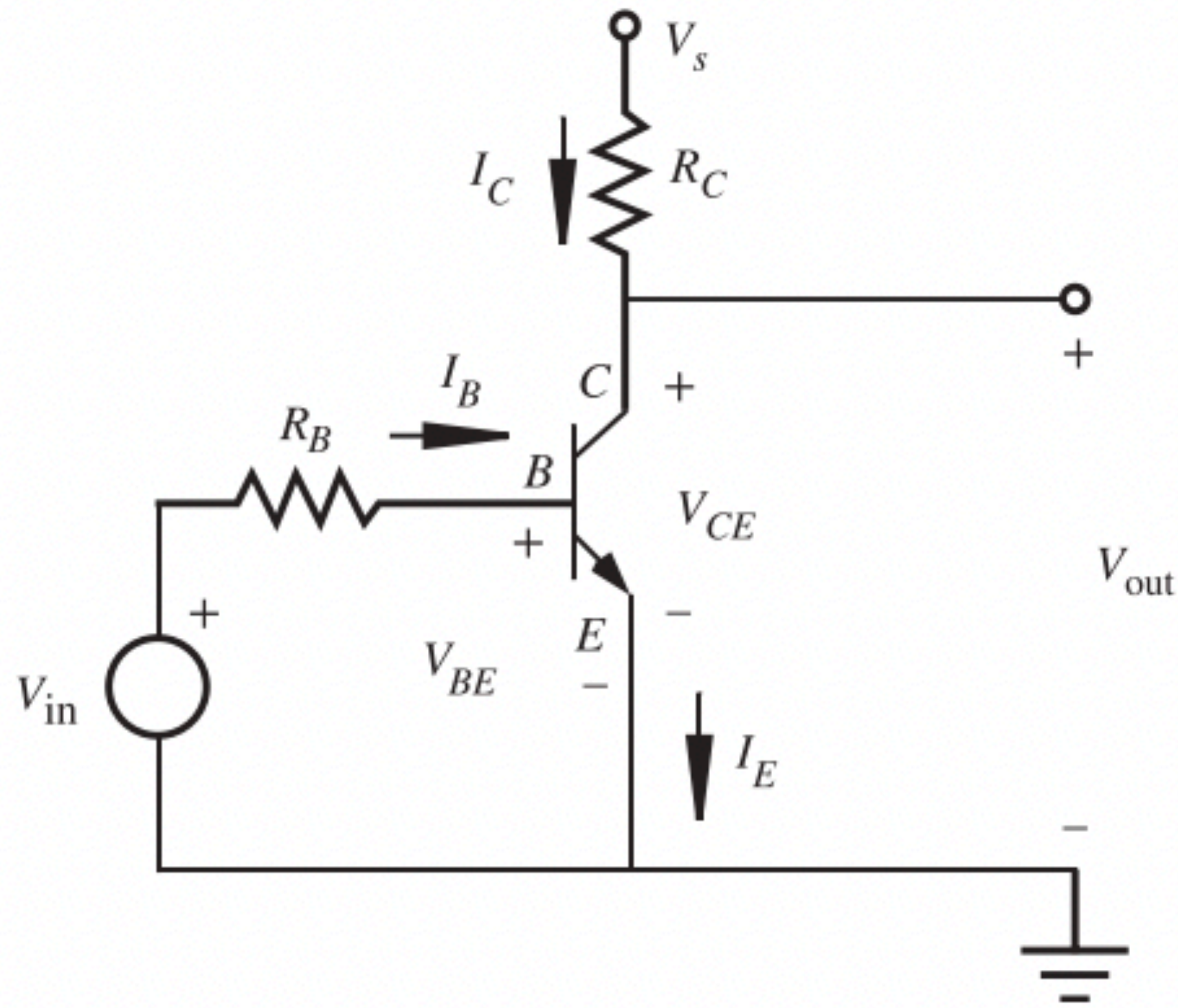
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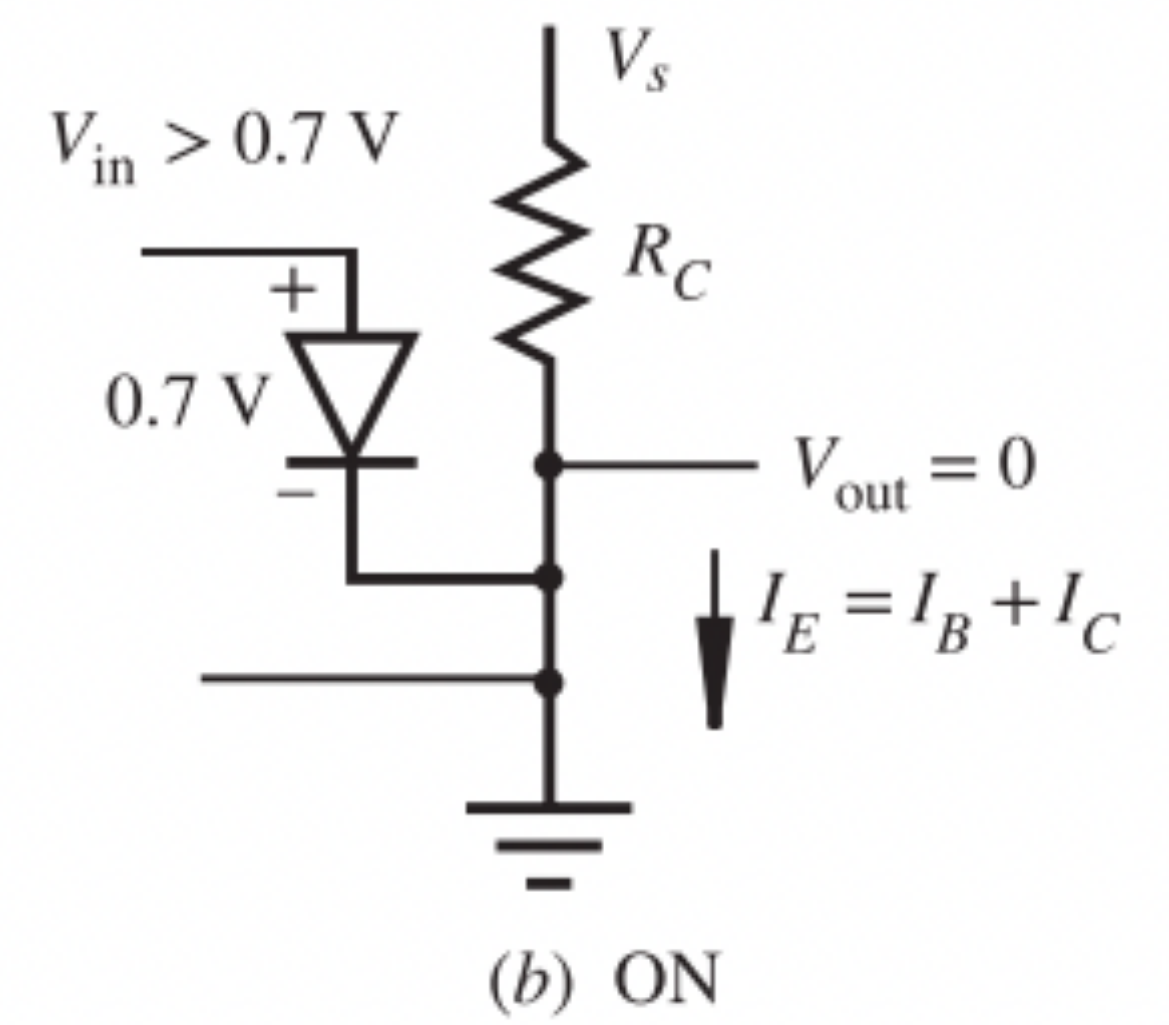
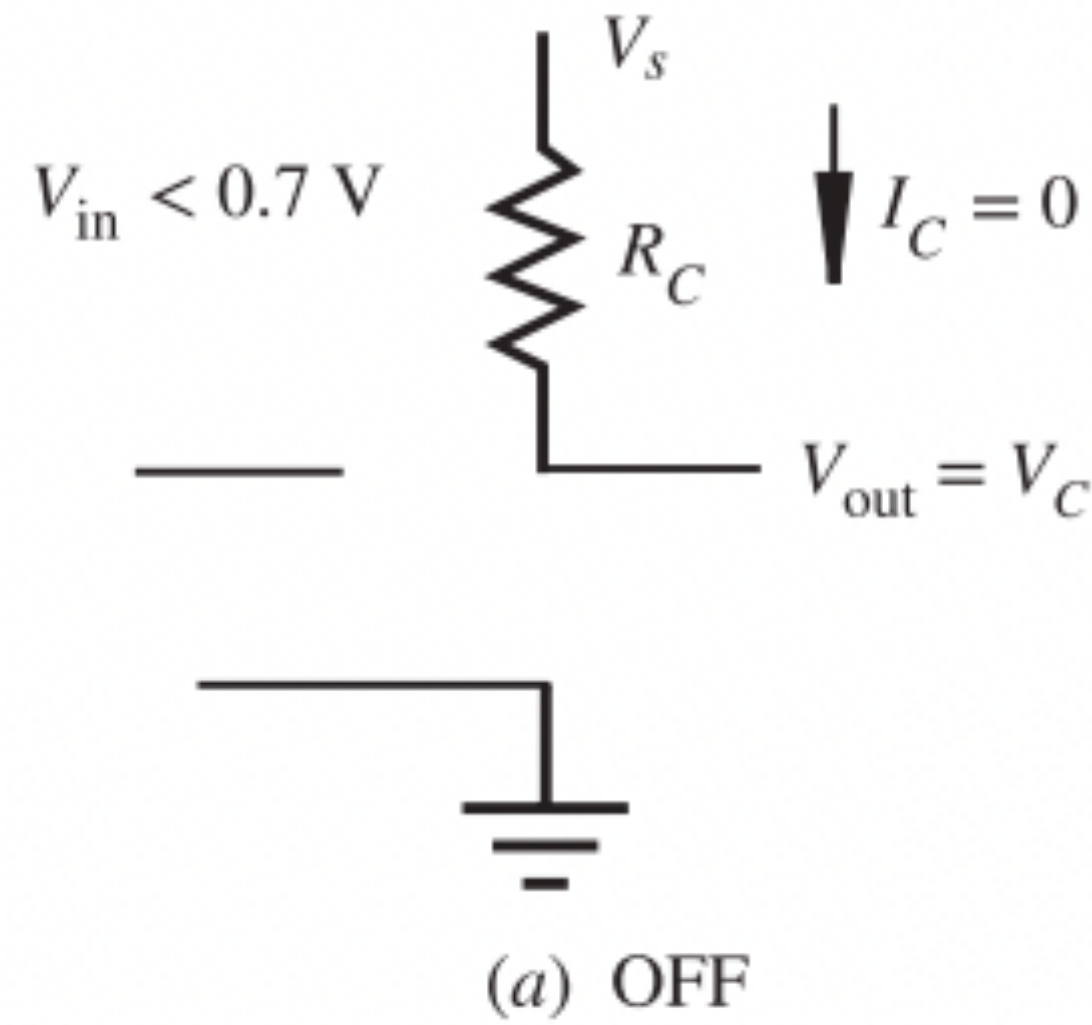
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①  $V_C > V_B > V_E$

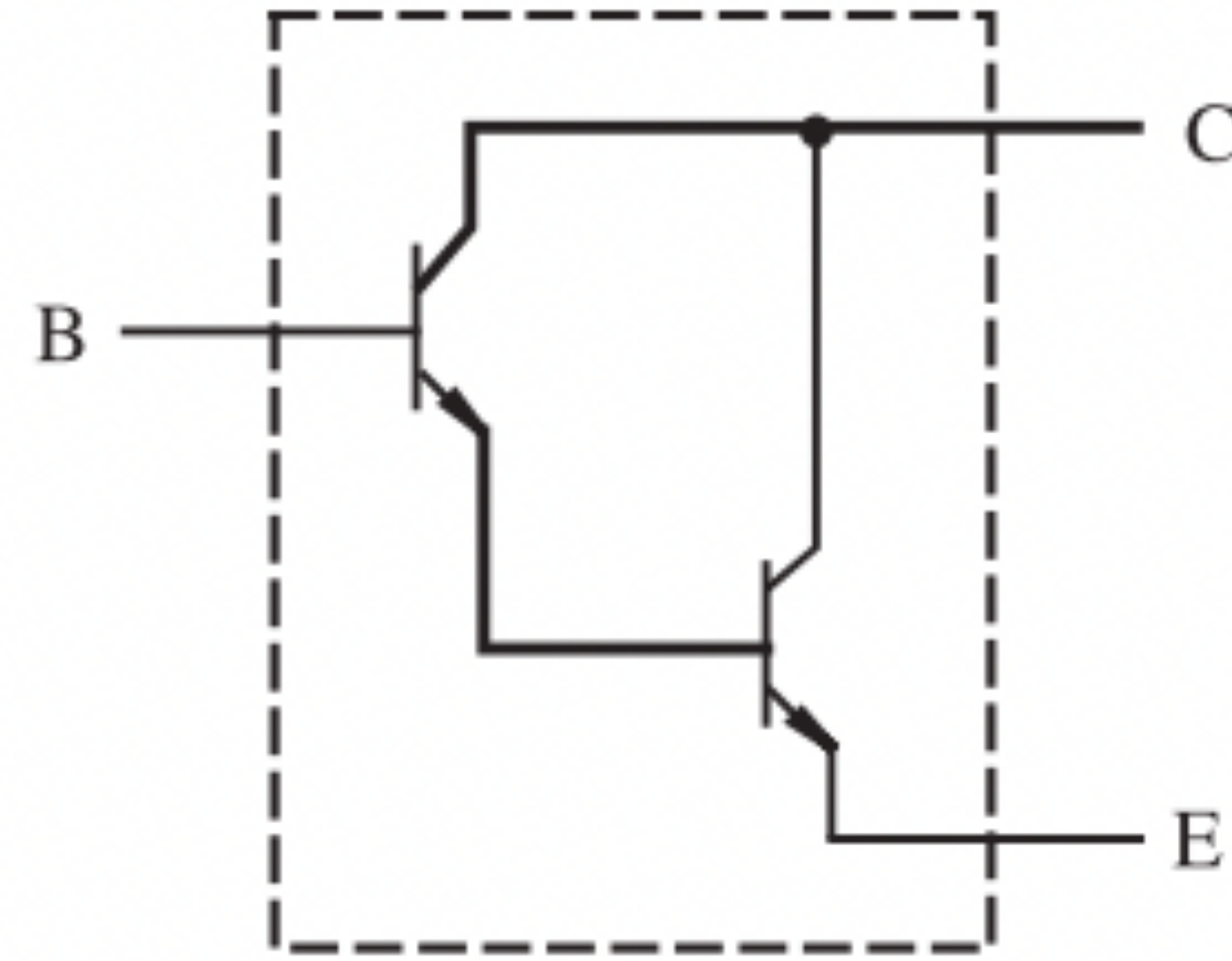
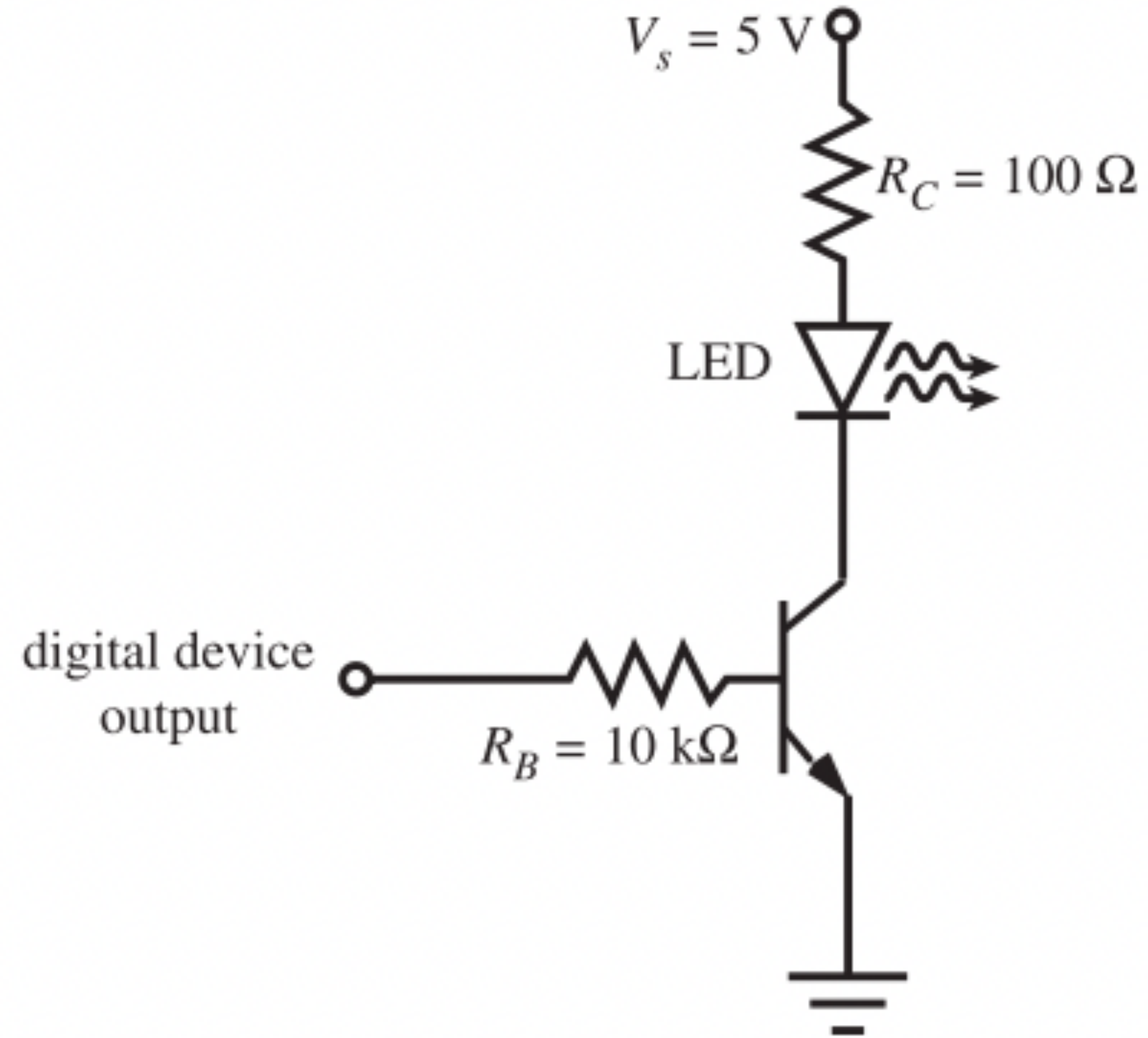
collector must be more positive  
than base & emitter

② To turn on  $V_{BE} > 0.7 \text{ V}$

③  $I_C$  is independent of  $I_B$ , iff saturation!

④ Minimum base current  $I_B$  for saturation can be estimated  $I_{B_{min}} \approx I_C / \beta$   $I_B = 10 \cdot I_{B_{min}}$

# BJT Switch Applications



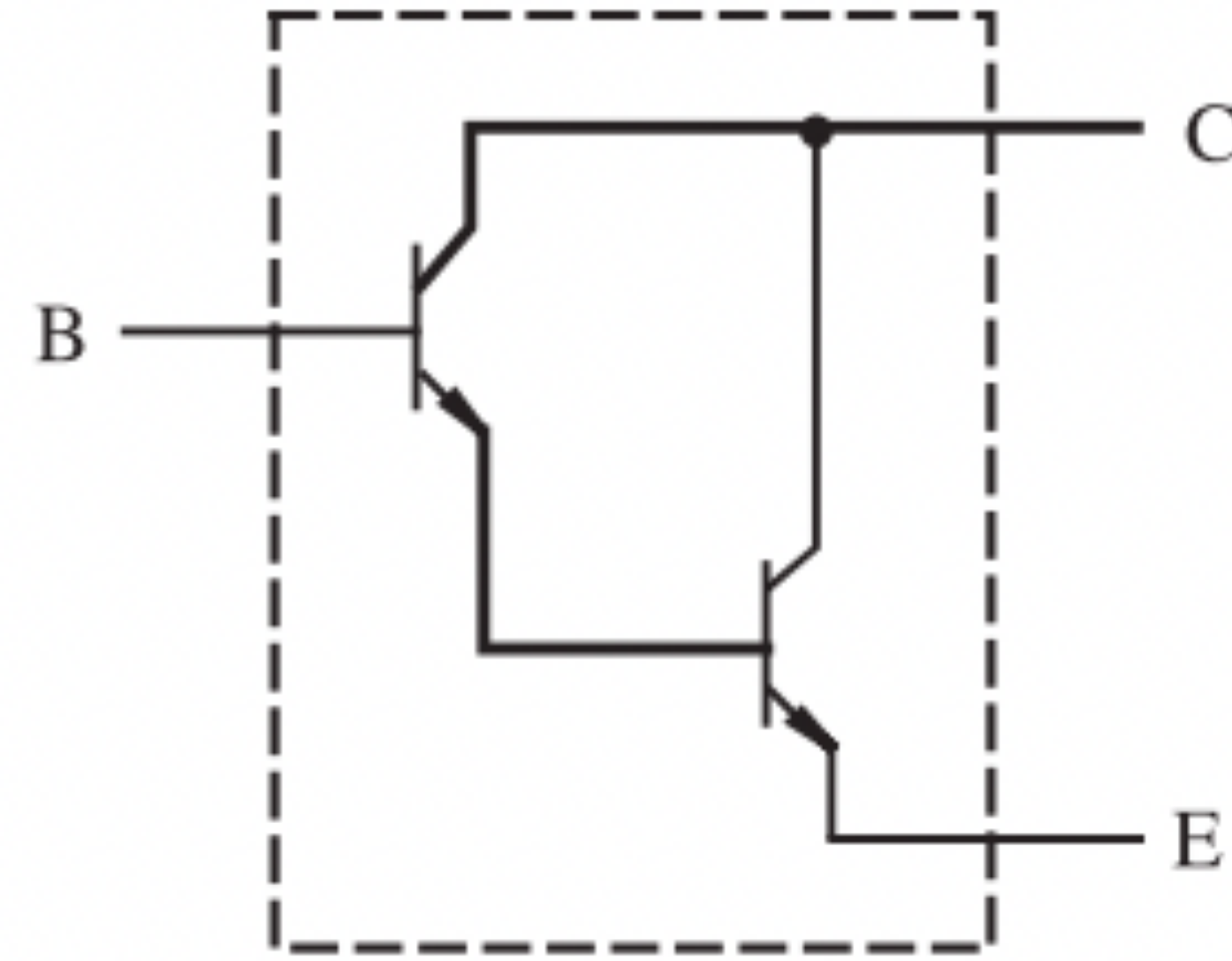
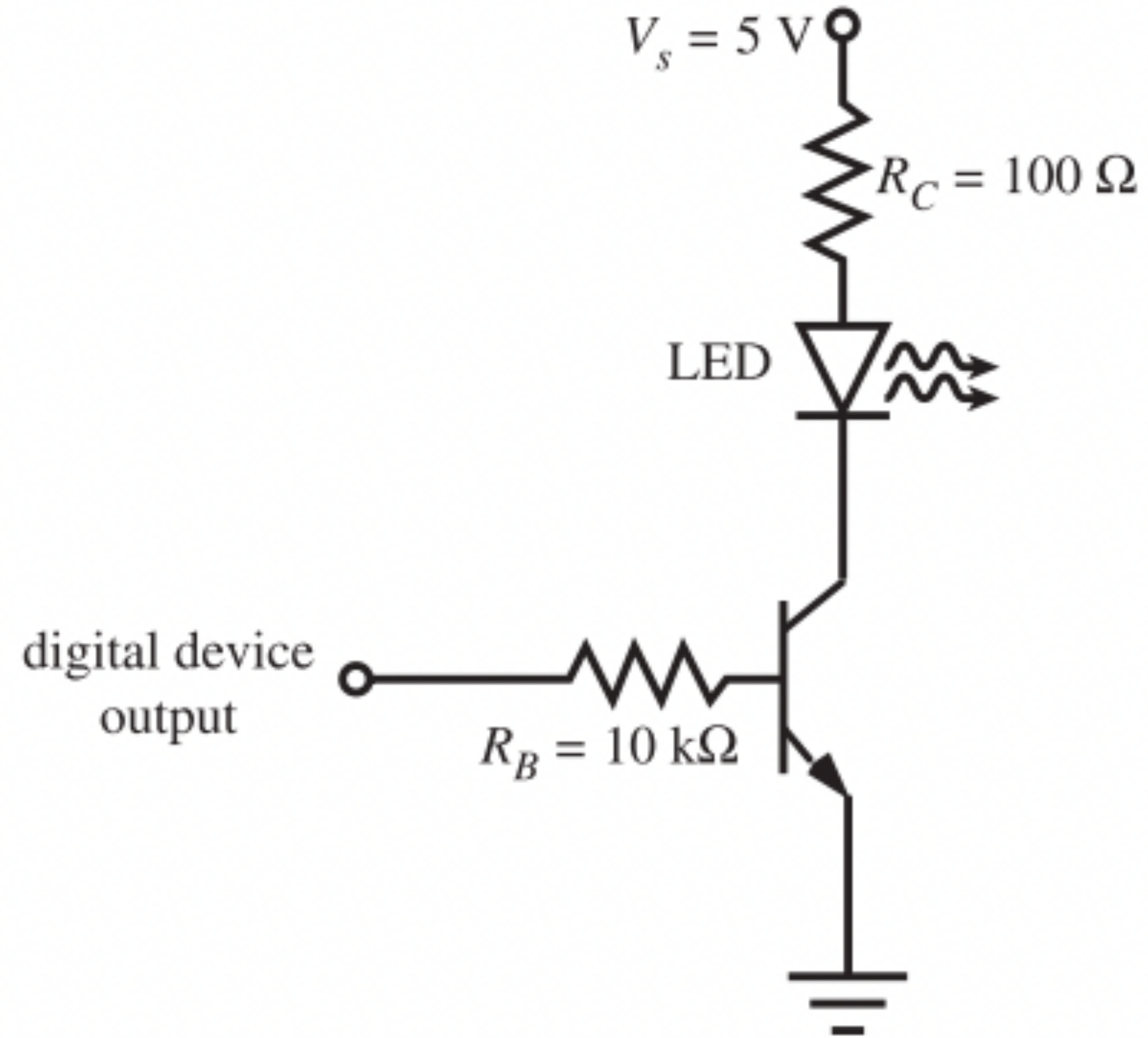
**Figure 3.30** Darlington pair.

Current gain  $\sim 10000$

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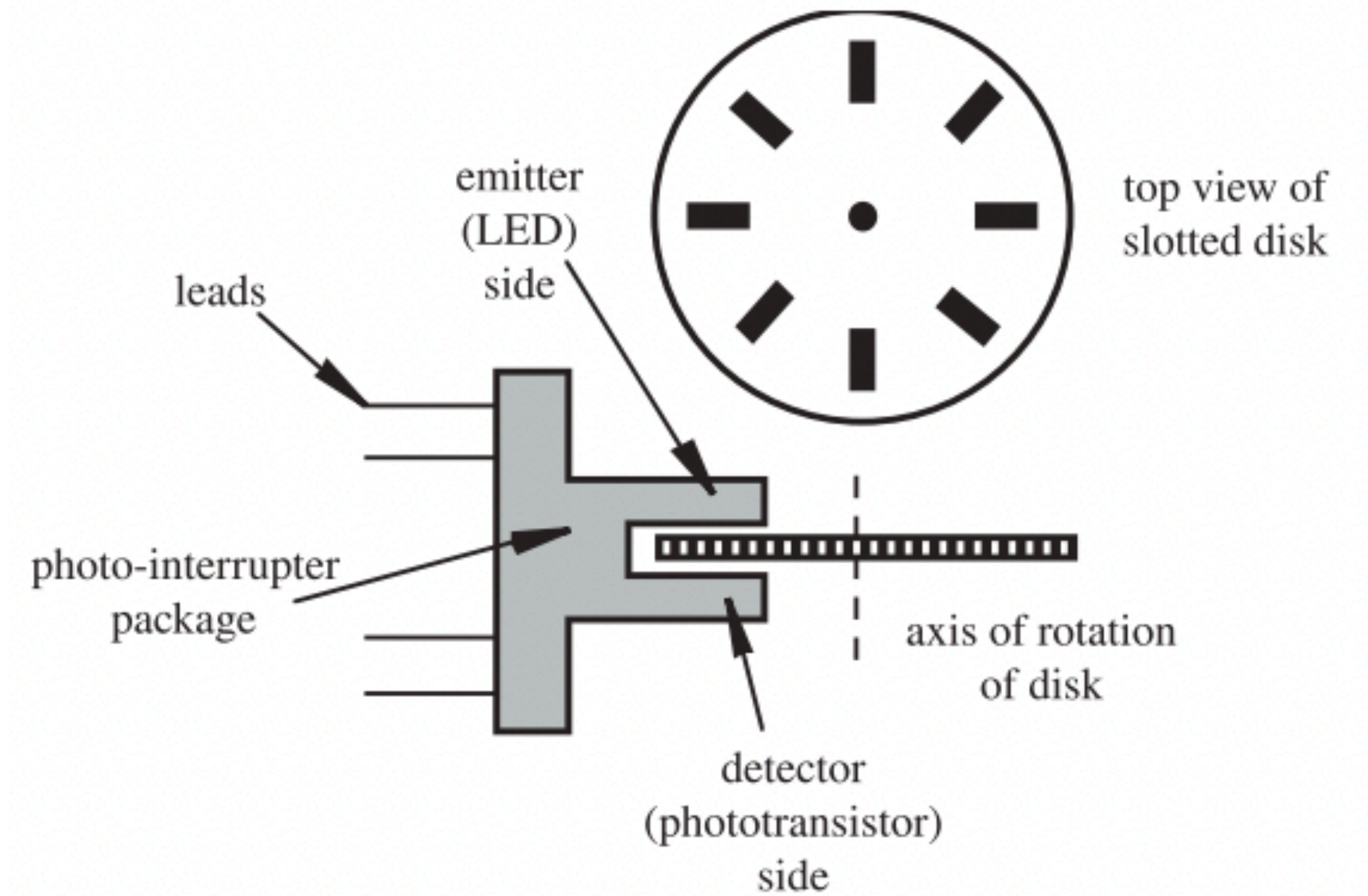
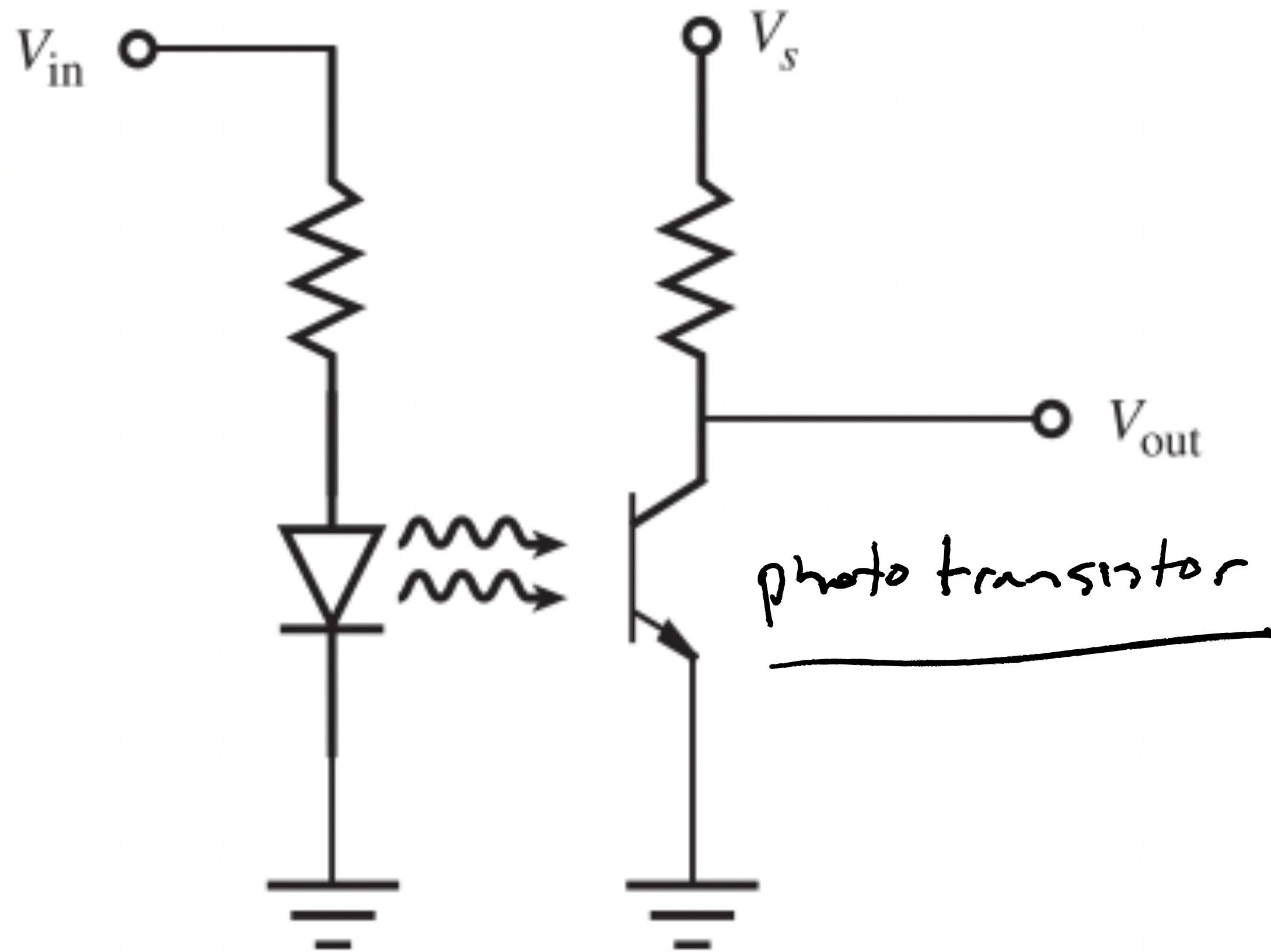
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**Figure 3.30** Darlington pair.

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# BJT Switch Applications



**Figure 3.31** Optoisolator.



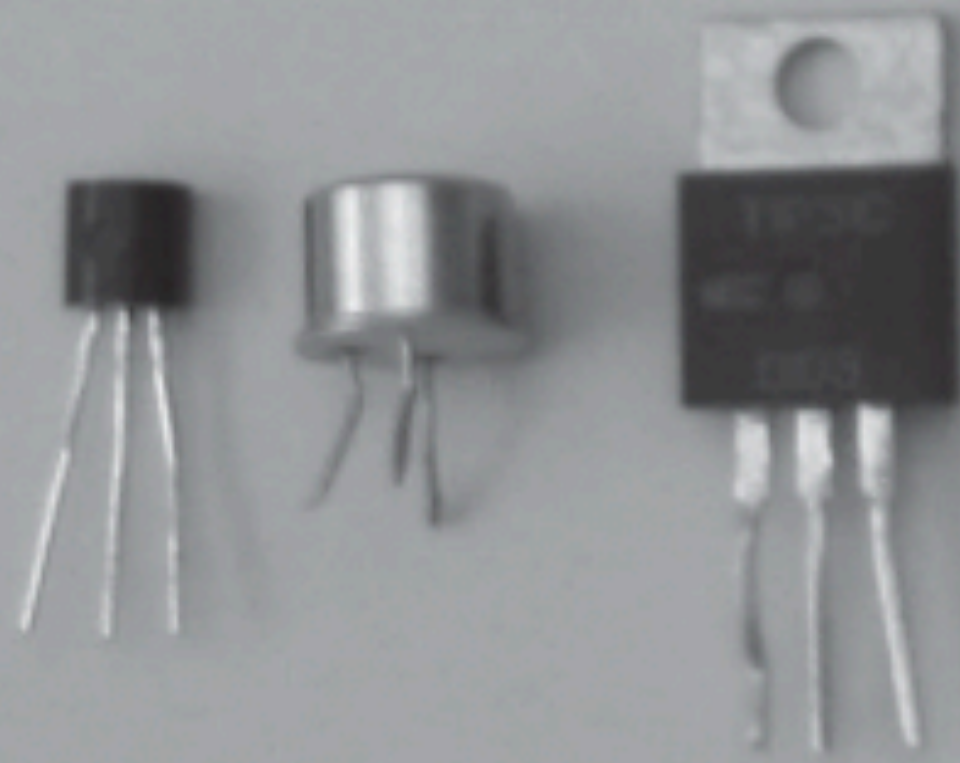
# Types of optoisolators

Device type <sup>[note 5]</sup>	Source of light <sup>[7]</sup>	Sensor type <sup>[7]</sup>	Speed	Current transfer ratio
Resistive opto-isolator (Vactrol)	Incandescent light bulb	CdS or CdSe photoresistor (LDR)	Very low	<100% <sup>[note 6]</sup>
	Neon lamp		Low	
	GaAs infrared LED		Low	
Diode opto-isolator	GaAs infrared LED	Silicon photodiode	Highest	0.1–0.2% <sup>[22]</sup>
Transistor opto-isolator	GaAs infrared LED	Bipolar silicon phototransistor	Medium	2–120% <sup>[22]</sup>
		Darlington phototransistor	Medium	100–600% <sup>[22]</sup>
Opto-isolated SCR	GaAs infrared LED	Silicon-controlled rectifier	Low to medium	>100% <sup>[23]</sup>
Opto-isolated triac	GaAs infrared LED	TRIAC	Low to medium	Very high
Solid-state relay	Stack of GaAs infrared LEDs	Stack of photodiodes driving a pair of MOSFETs or an IGBT	Low to high <sup>[note 7]</sup>	Practically unlimited



# BJT Packages

BJTs



MOSFETs

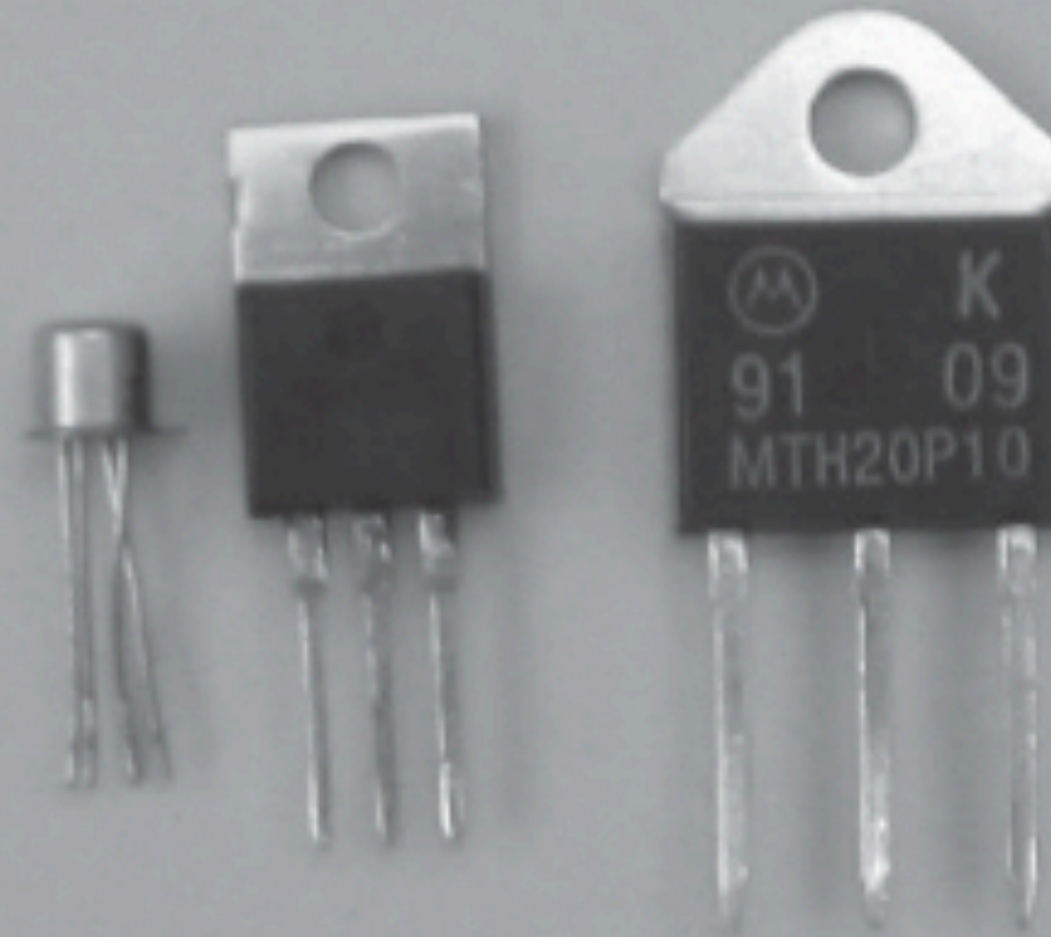


photo-interrupter





# Field Effect Transistor (FET)

• Basic idea:

voltage on one electrode  
controls charge carriers  
in a "channel"

• Channel: narrow region where current flows

• transconductance amplifier

→ output current is  
controlled by input  
voltage

( BJT is current-to-current amplifier  
FET is voltage controlled current amplifier )

## Flavors

enhancement / depletion mode  
metal oxide semiconductor  
(MOSFET)

## Junction FET

Enhancement mode

→ off  $V_g = 0$

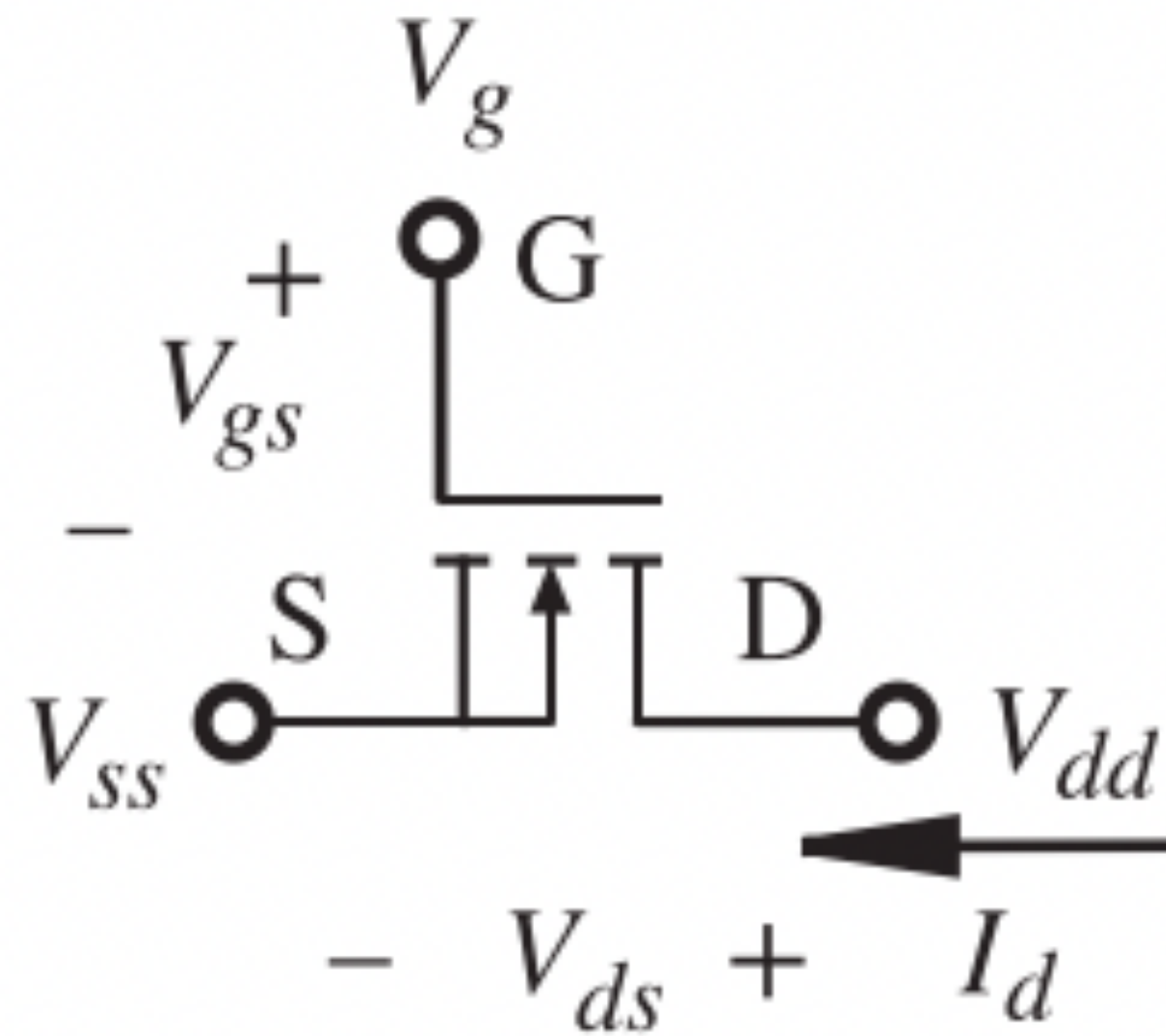
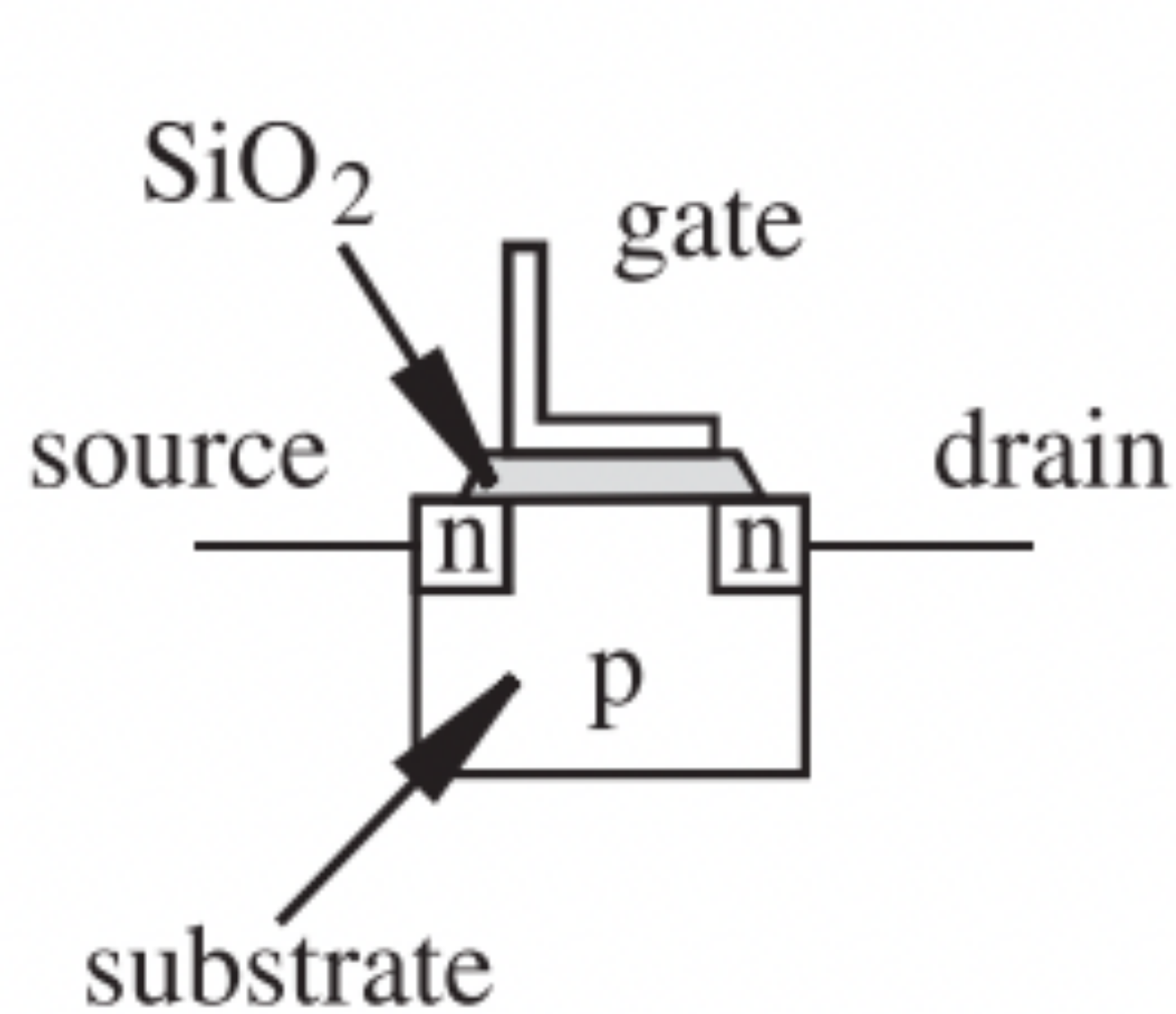
Depletion mode

→ on  $V_g = 0$

JFET are Depl.  
mode

Application  
dependent

# Field Effect Transistor (FET)



n-channel

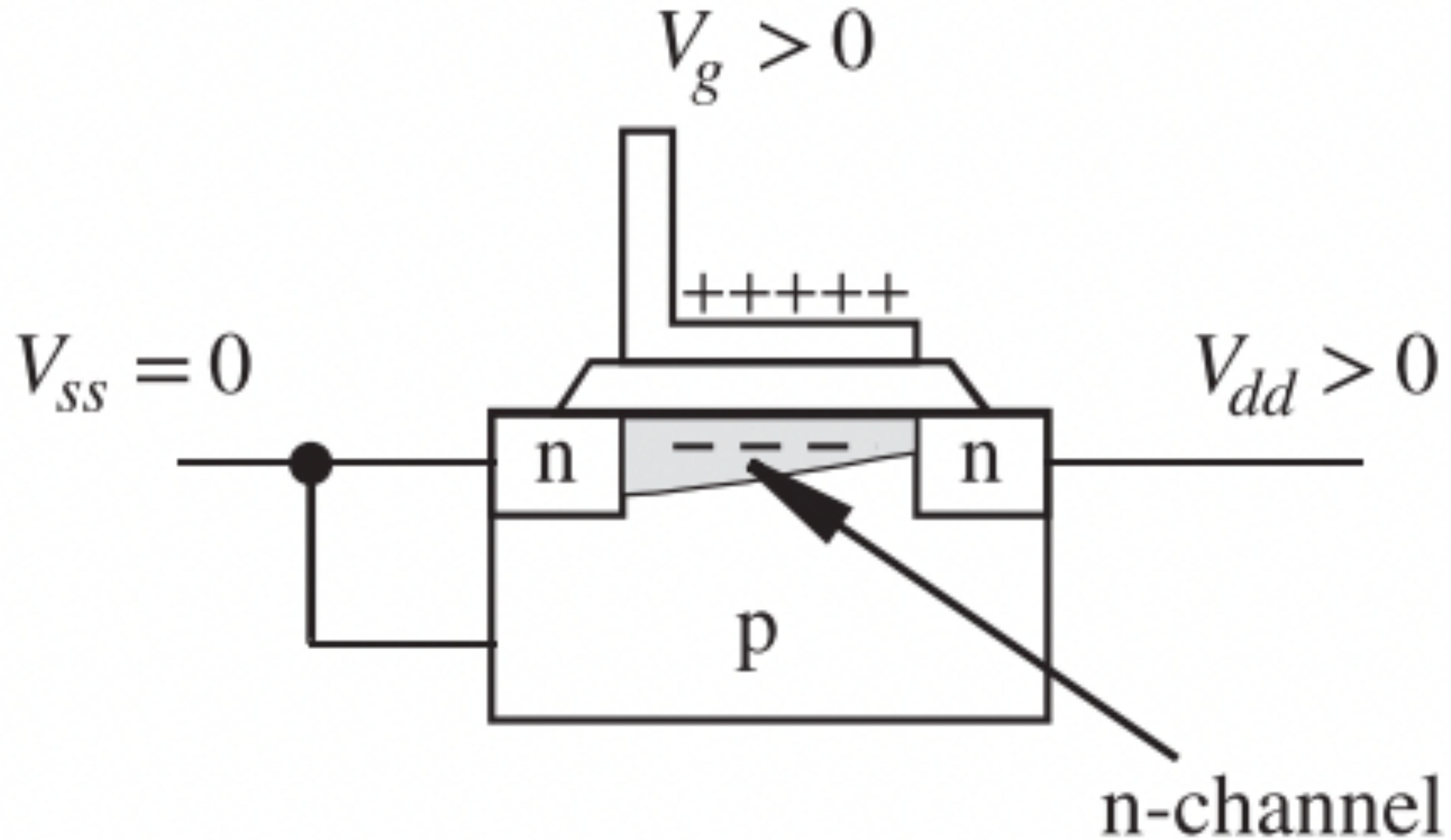
G - gate (base BJT)

D - drain (collector)

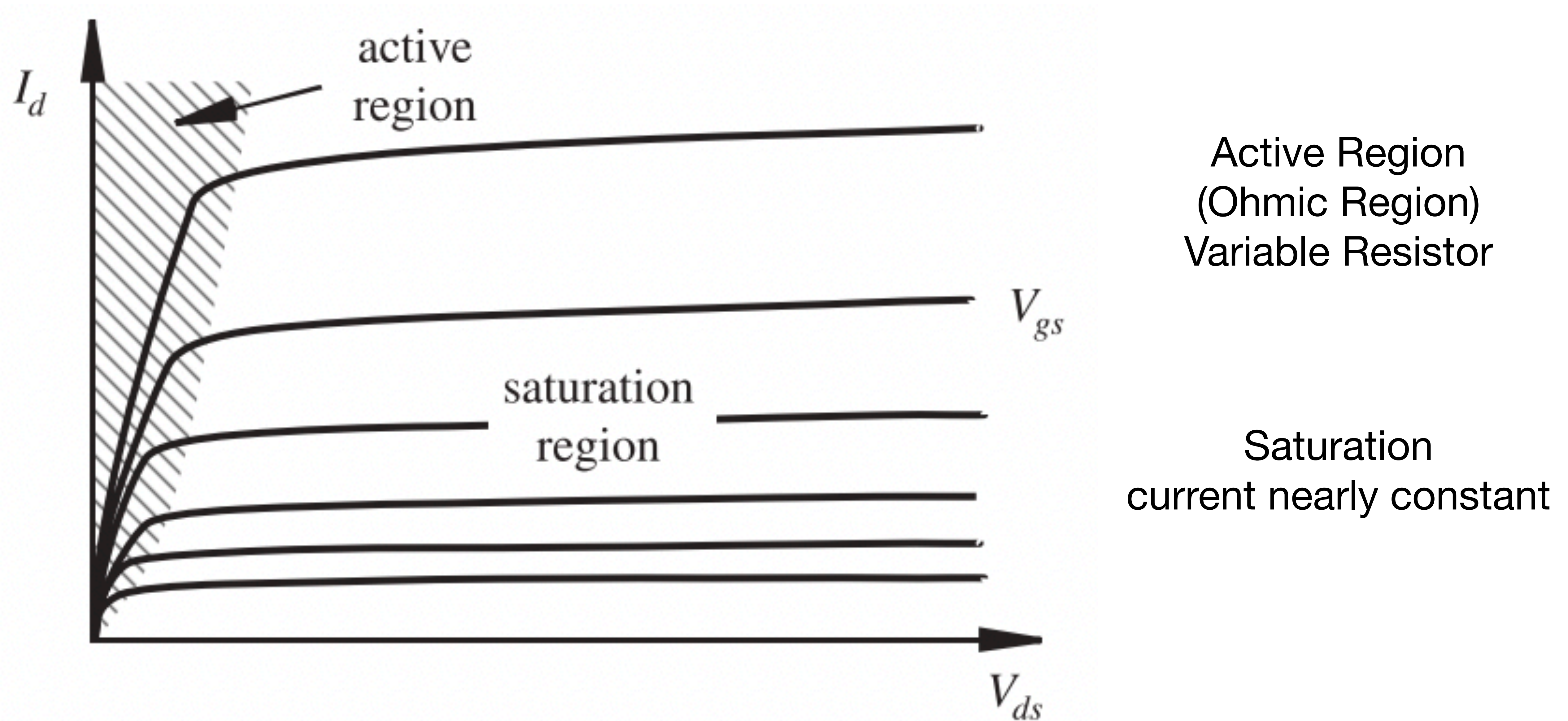
S - source (emitter)



# Field Effect Transistor (FET)



# n-Channel enhancement-mode MOSFET characteristic curves



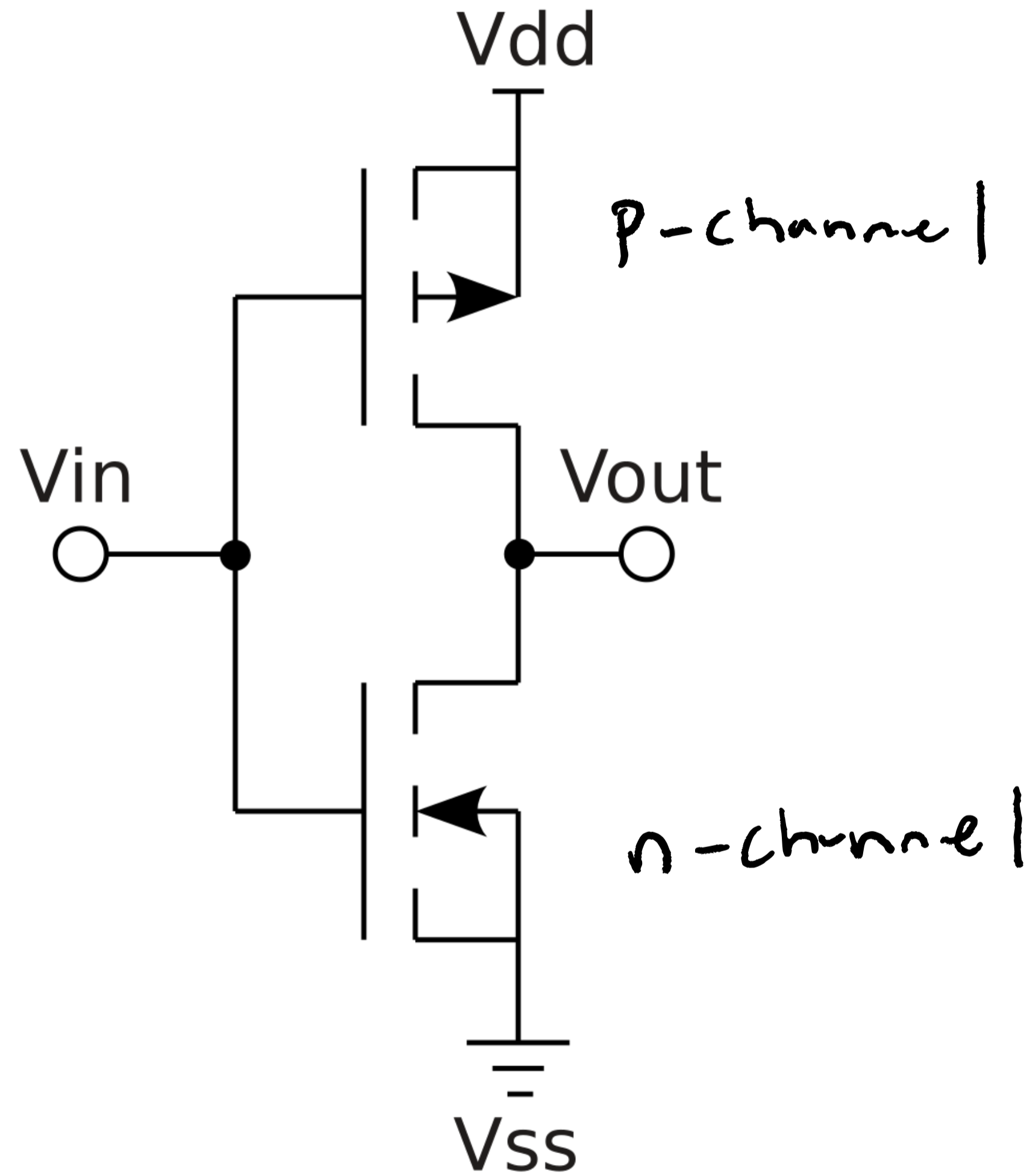


amp, high-imp

## What's good with MOSFETs?

- > High-current voltage controlled switch
- > analog switches (gates)
- > motor drives
- > operate @ much lower input current than BJT
  - less power, less heat
- > most common transistor in integrated circuits (CPU, etc)
- > Can be fabricated extremely small, and in complementary pair (n-channel & p-channel)
  - CMOS
  - symmetry allow for extreme compact fab

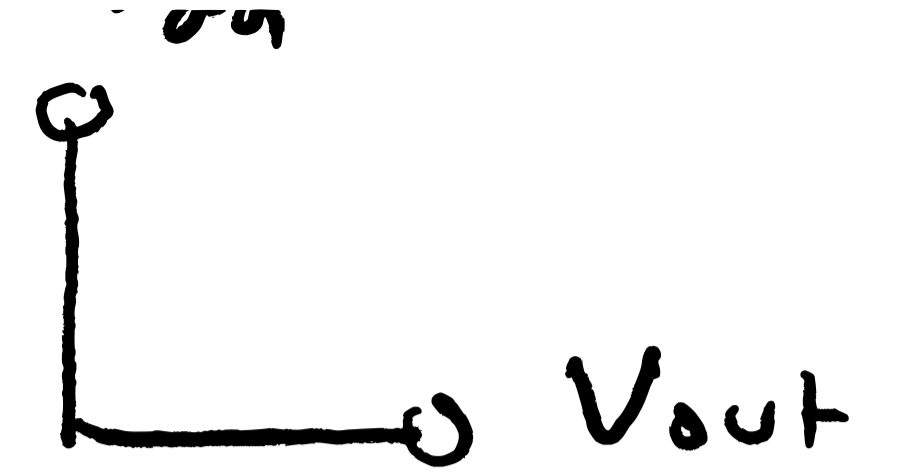
# CMOS Teaser - Inverter



$$V_{in} \approx 0V$$

$$V_{out} = V_{dd}$$

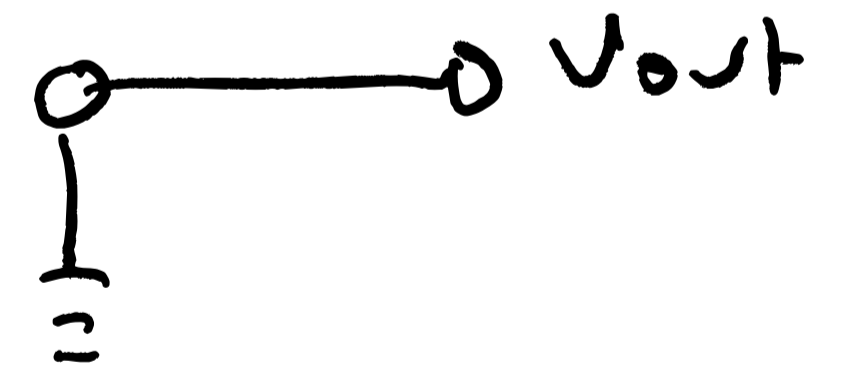
(High logic)



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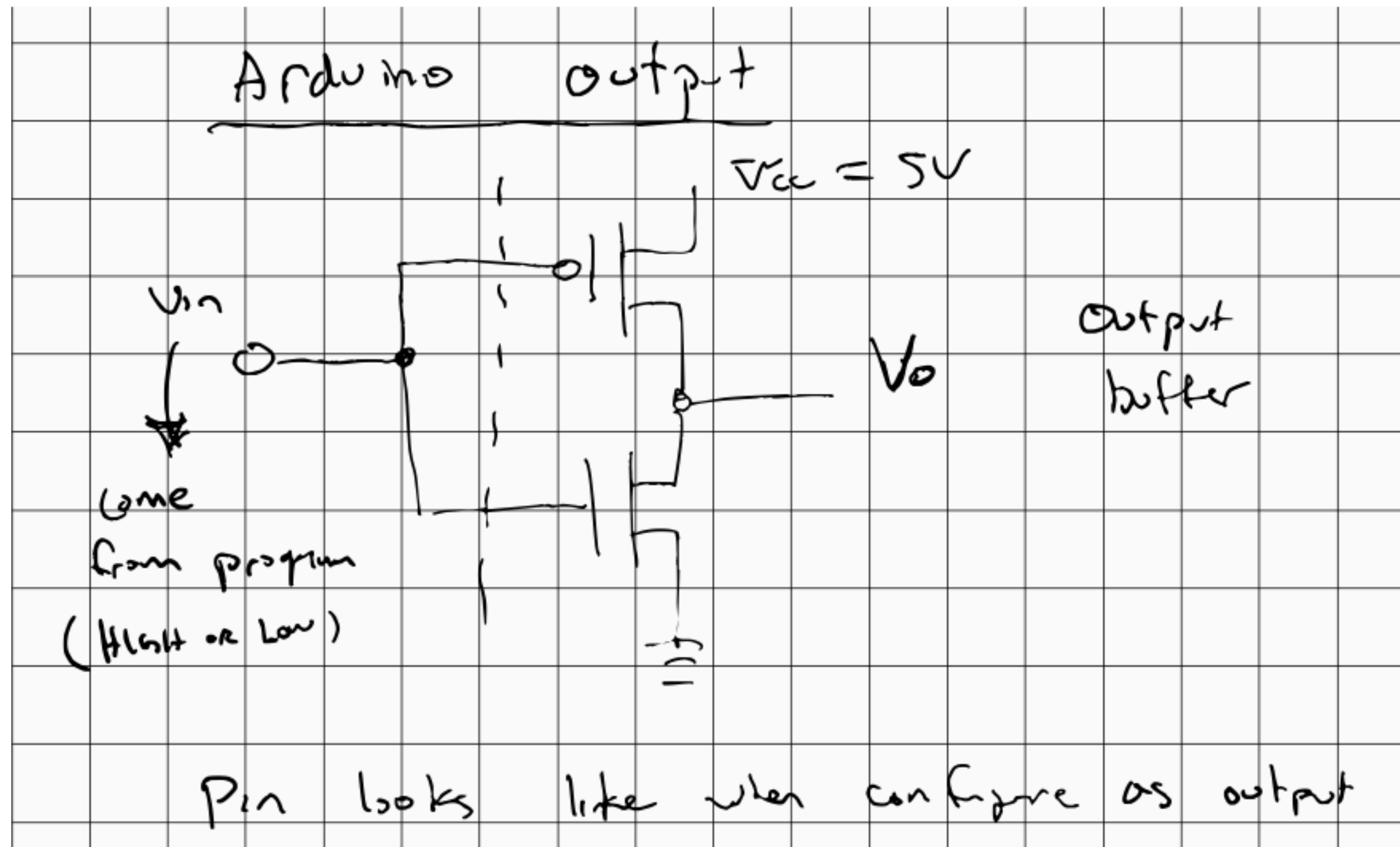
$$V_{out} = 0$$

(Low logic)



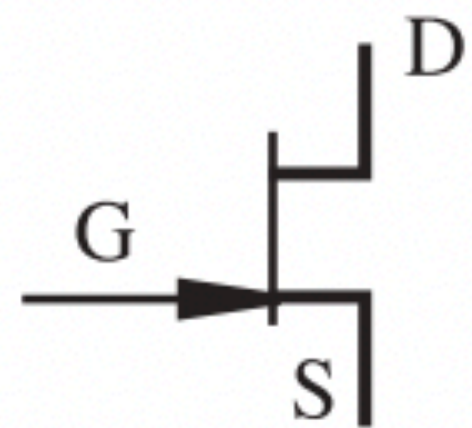


# Arduino output pins use CMOS architecture

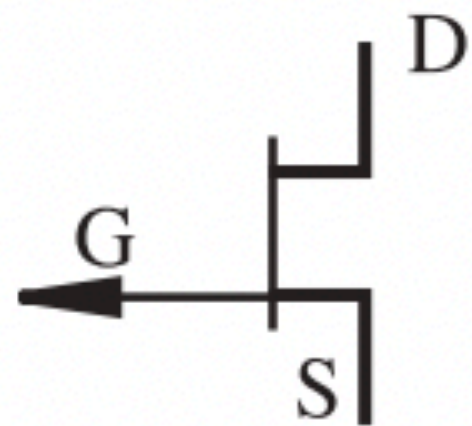


- > power efficient
- > actively driven in both directions
- > very little power to hold state
- > most important: easy to fabricate

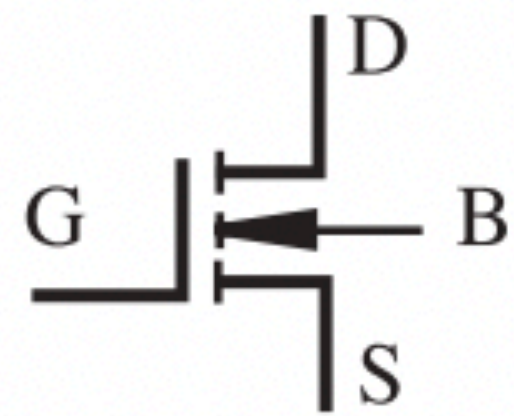
# FET Symbols



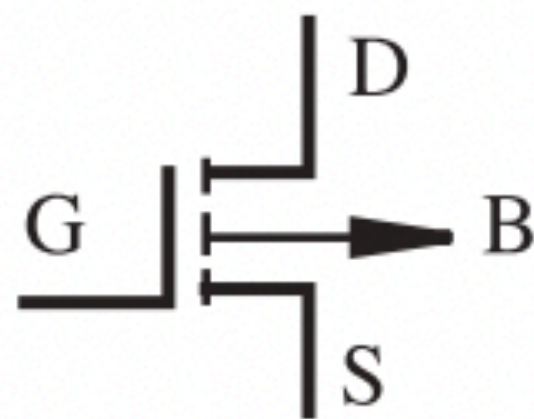
n-channel depletion-mode JFET



p-channel depletion-mode JFET



n-channel enhancement-mode MOSFET



p-channel enhancement-mode MOSFET

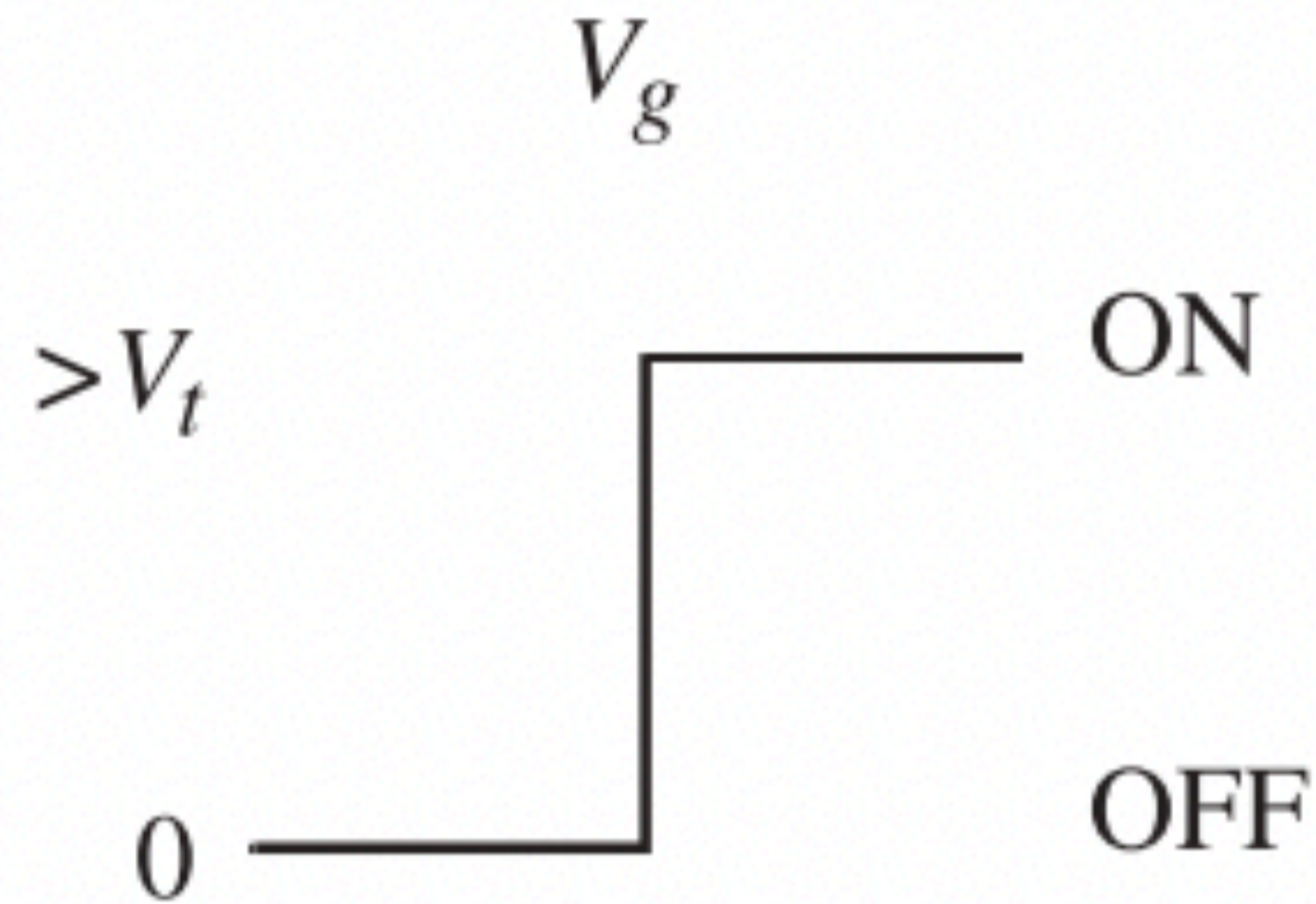
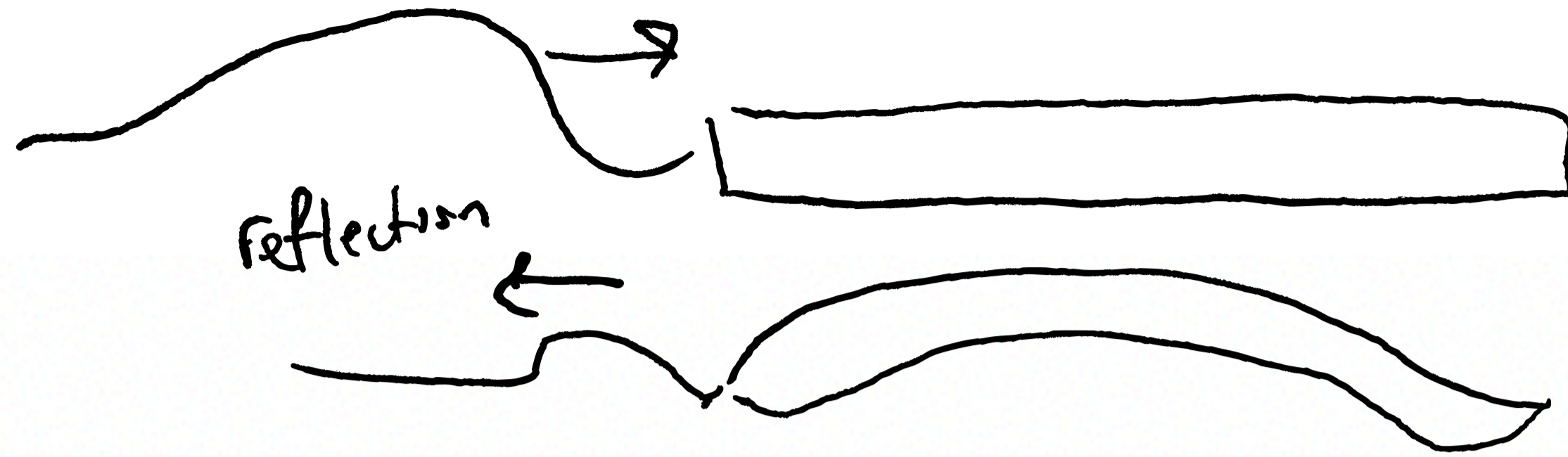
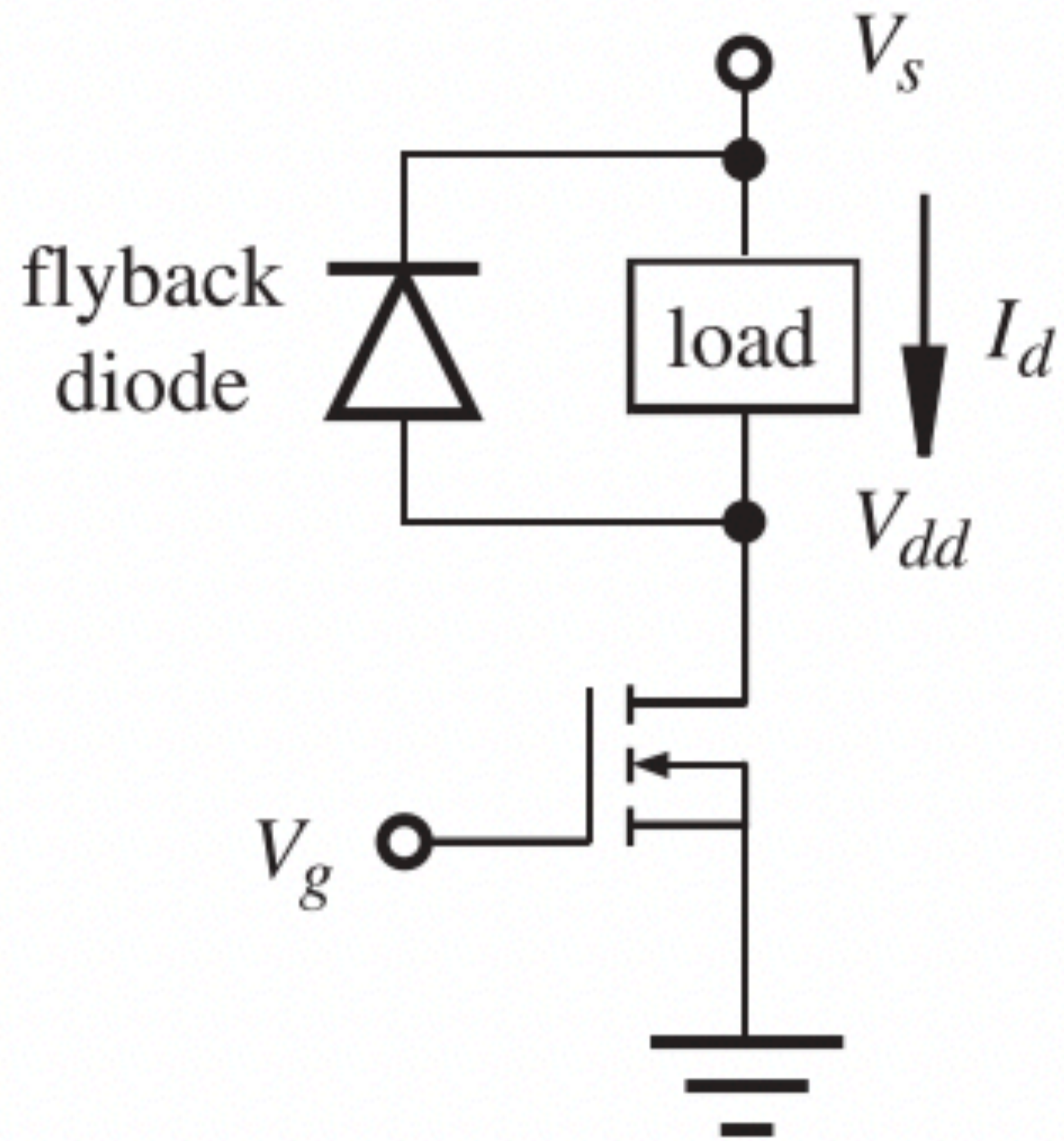
① The direction of the arrow distinguishes between n- or p-channel

② A separation between gate & source is for MOSFET

③ A broken line indicates enhancement-mode



# FET Power Switch



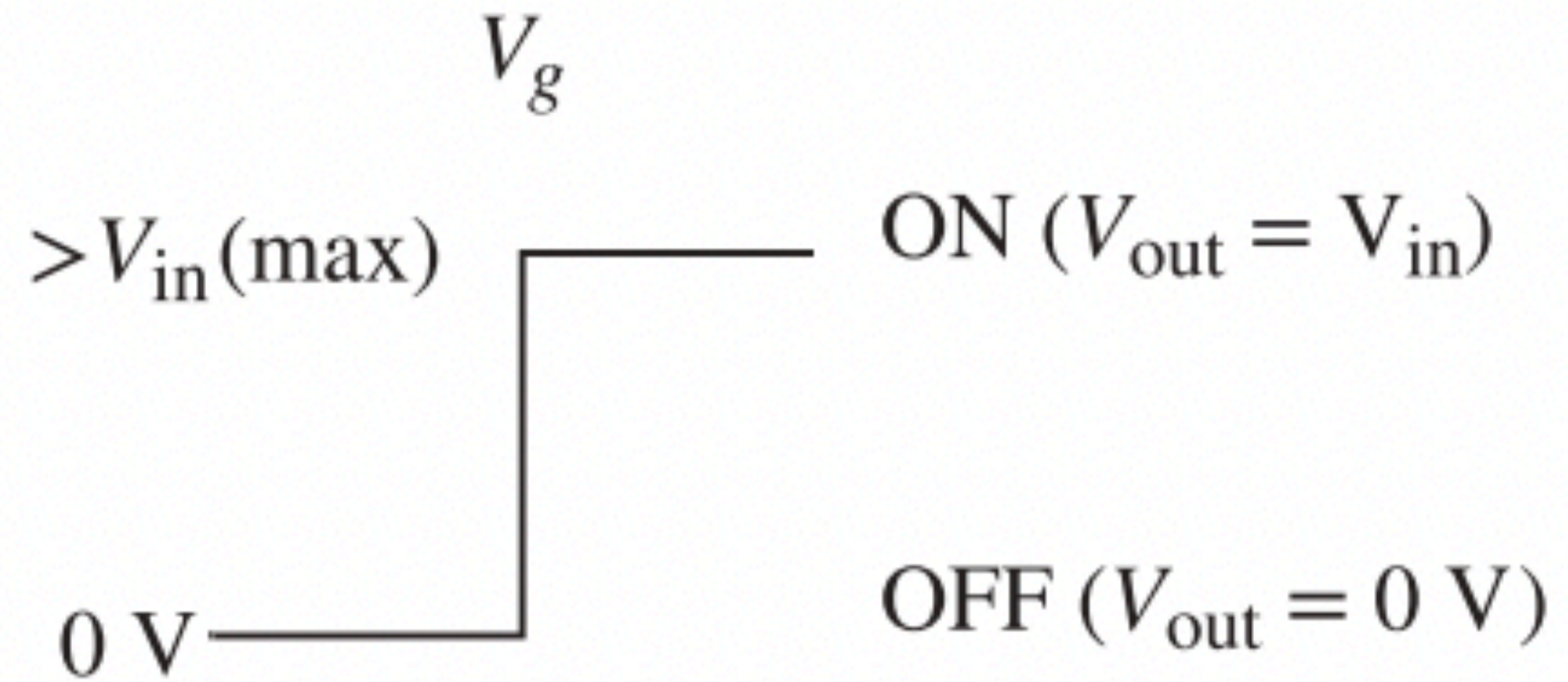
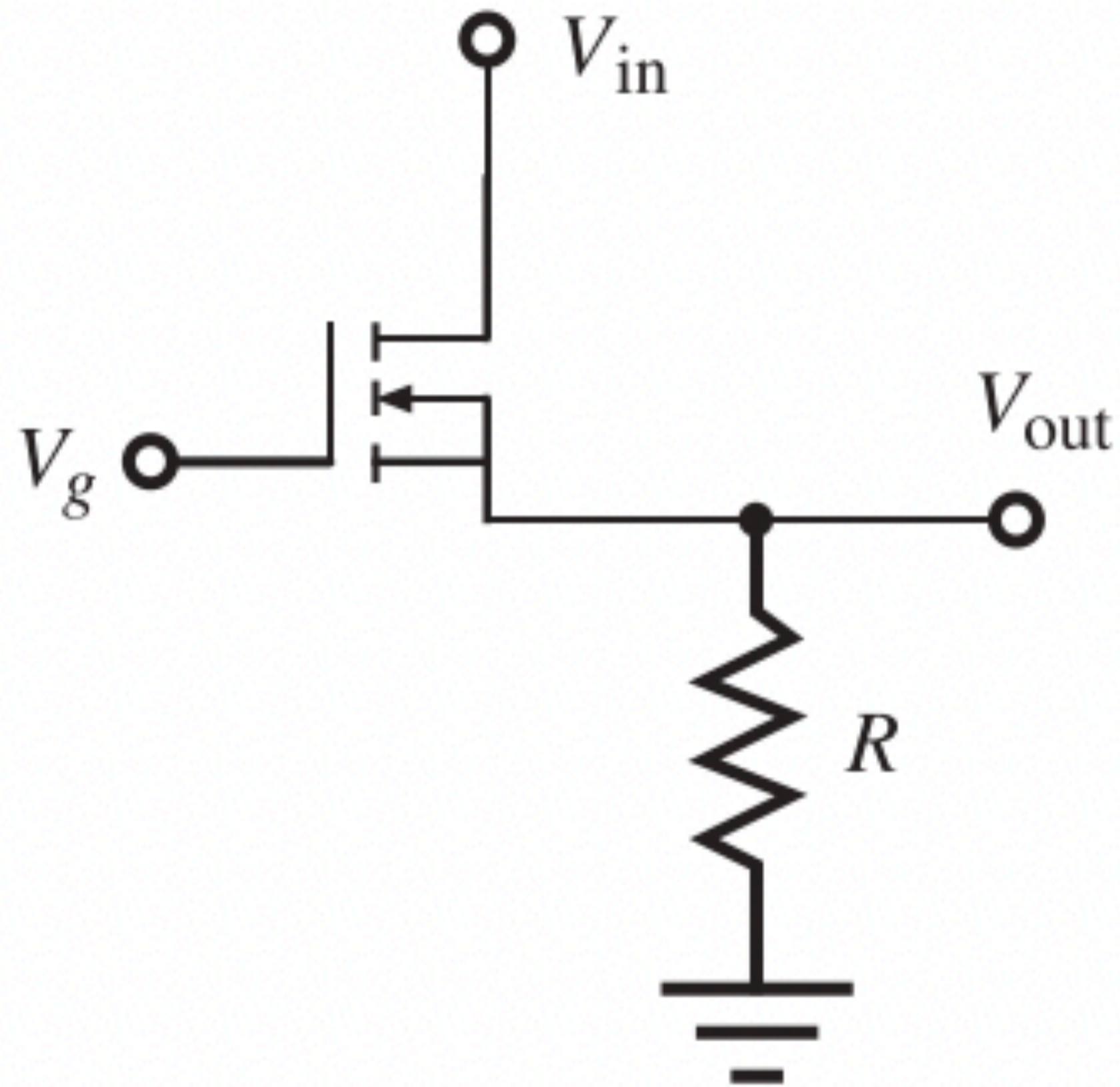
very easy to design!

practically no gate current (high input impedance)

Major design concern:  $I_d$  - load current  $\rightarrow$  how to

size MOSFET

# FET Analog Switch



Pull-down  
resistor  $\rightarrow$  ensure  
 $V_{out} \rightarrow 0$ , when  
transistor is off.



# Summary BJT vs FET

## Control

BJT: current controlled

FET: voltage controlled

## Gain

BJT: larger current gain

FET: gain small

## Size

BJT: large compared FET

FET: very tiny (Moore's Law)