

Section 27

Heterojunction Bipolar Transistor

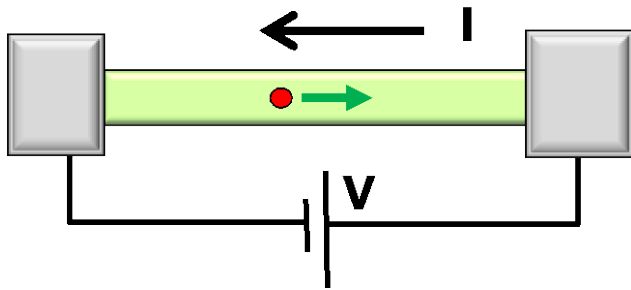
27.4 Abrupt Junction HBTs

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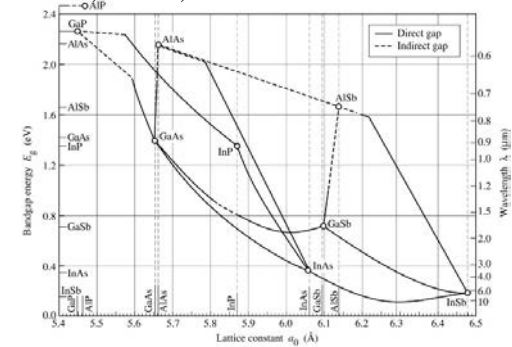
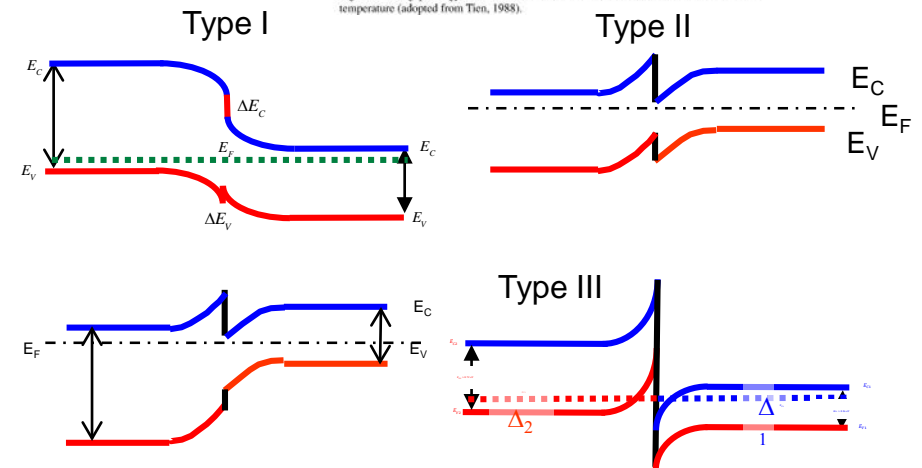


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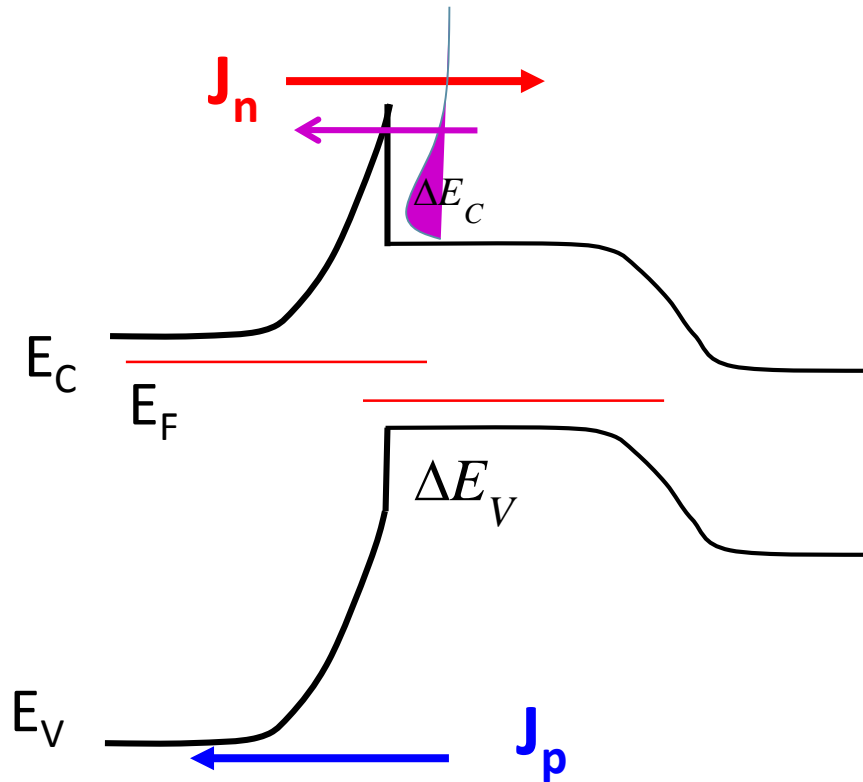
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Abrupt Junction HBTs

$$J_{n,B \rightarrow E} = q \left(\frac{n_{iB}^2}{N_B} \right) v_{Rp} e^{-\Delta E_C / k_B T} = J_n (V_{BE} = 0)$$



Gain in abrupt npn BJT defined only by valence band discontinuity!

$$J_n = q \left(\frac{n_{iB}^2}{N_B} \right) v_{Rp} e^{-\Delta E_C / k_B T} e^{qV_{BE} / k_B T}$$

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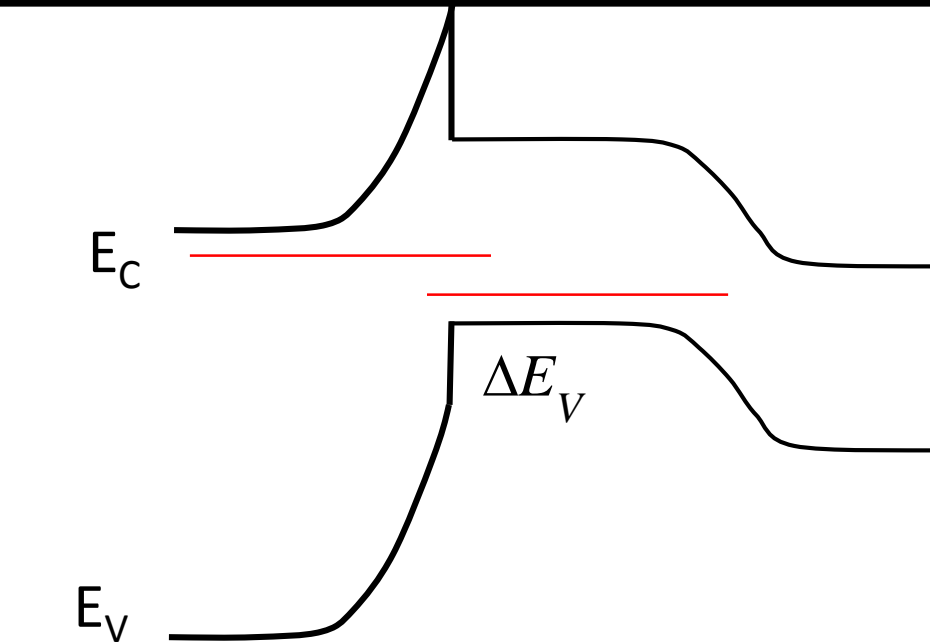
$$\beta = \frac{N_E}{N_B} \frac{v_{Rp}}{(D_p / W_E)} \left[\frac{n_{iB}^2}{n_{iE}^2} e^{-\Delta E_C / k_B T} \right]$$

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Thermionic Emission Approach

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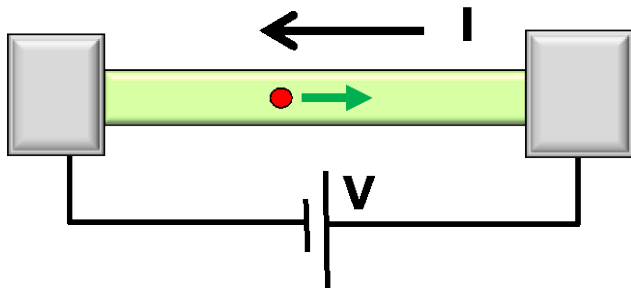
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... but we are hoping for even better gain

$$\beta \rightarrow \frac{n_{i,B}^2}{n_{i,E}^2} \times \frac{N_E}{N_B} \times \frac{v_{th}}{D_p/W_E} \sim \frac{N_E}{N_B} \times \frac{v_{th}}{D_p/W_E} e^{(\Delta E_g) \beta}$$

For full gain, we need graded junction HBT

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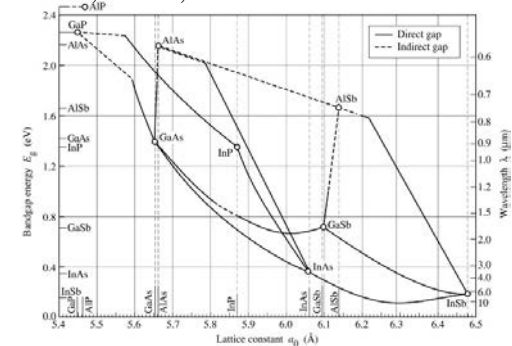
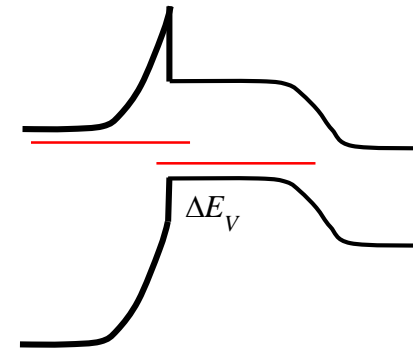
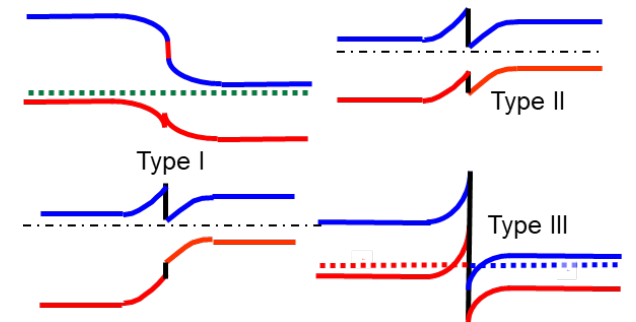


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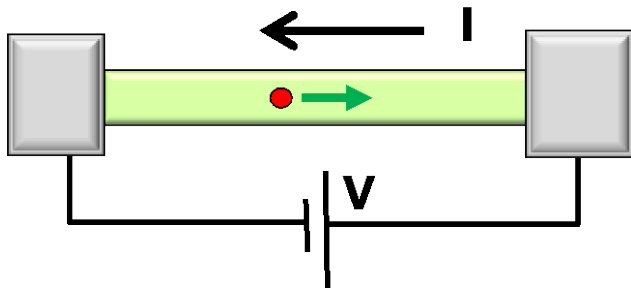


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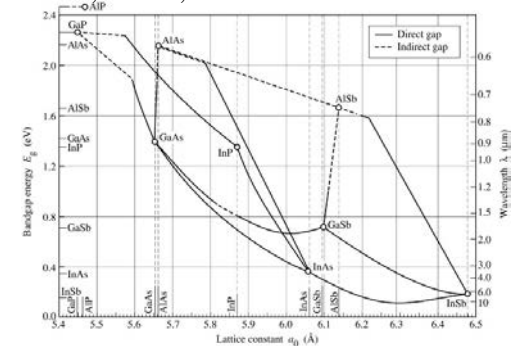
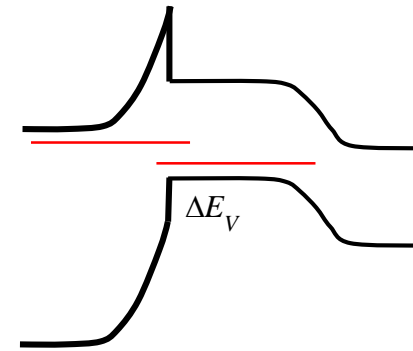
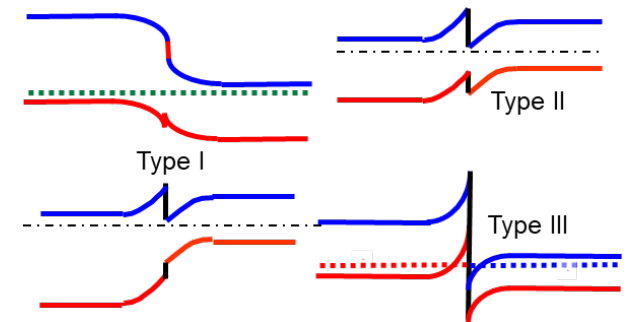


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