### Lecture 20

• Last time:

- the npn bipolar junction transistor (BJT)

- Today :
  - Large-signal model under forward bias
  - Ebers-Moll model

### Collector Current

#### Diffusion of electrons across base results in

$$J_n^{diff} = qD_n \frac{dn_p}{dx} =$$

$$I_C = I_S e^{V_{BE}/V_{th}}$$

### Base Current

#### Diffusion of holes across emitter results in

$$J_p^{diff} = -qD_p \frac{dp_{nE}}{dx} =$$

 $I_B =$ 

### Current Gain $\beta_F$

 $\beta_F = \frac{I_C}{I_B} = \frac{\left(\frac{qD_n n_{pBo} A_E}{W_B}\right)}{\left(\frac{qD_p p_{nEo} A_E}{W_F}\right)} =$ 

#### Parameter sensitivities:

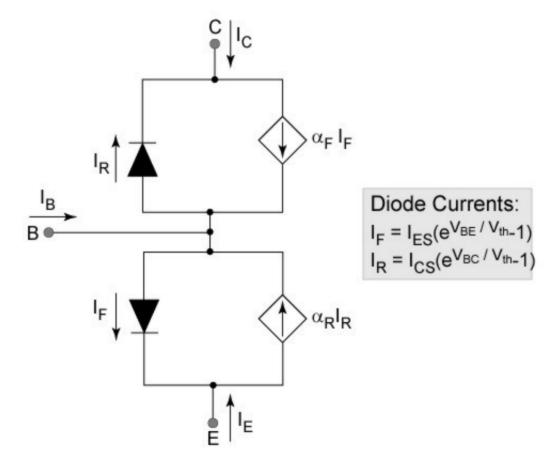
# **Ebers-Moll Equations**

Exp. 6: measure E-M parametersDerivation: write emitter and collector currents in terms of internal currents at two junctions

$$I_E = -I_{ES} \left( e^{V_{BE}/V_{th}} - 1 \right) + \alpha_R I_{CS} \left( e^{V_{BC}/V_{th}} - 1 \right)$$
$$I_C = \alpha_F I_{ES} \left( e^{V_{BE}/V_{th}} - 1 \right) - I_{CS} \left( e^{V_{BC}/V_{th}} - 1 \right)$$
$$\alpha_F I_{ES} = \alpha_R I_{CS}$$

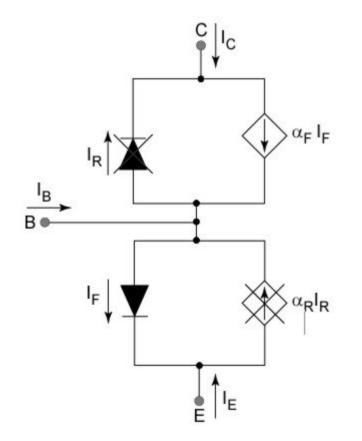
# Ebers-Moll Equivalent Circuit

Building blocks: diodes and *I*-controlled *I* sources



# Forward-Active Model

B-C junction is not forward-biased  $\rightarrow I_R$  is very small



# Simplified Ebers-Moll (Cont.)

Forward-Active Case

#### Saturation: both diodes are forward-biases $\rightarrow$ batteries

# Small-Signal Model

Analogy from MOSFET s.s. model:

$$i_D = f(v_{GS}, v_{DS}, v_{BS})$$
  $i_C = f(v_{BE}, v_{CE})$ 

