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## Temperature coefficient of V<sub>BE</sub> at a given Temperature, T

With the aid of (11.9) and (11.11), we can write

$$\frac{\partial V_{BE}}{\partial T} = \frac{V_T}{T} \ln \frac{I_C}{I_S} - (4+m)\frac{V_T}{T} - \frac{E_g}{kT^2}V_T$$
(11.12)

$$=\frac{V_{BE}-(4+m)V_T-E_g/q}{T}.$$
(11.13)

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Equation (11.13) gives the temperature coefficient of the base-emitter voltage at a given temperature T, revealing dependence on the magnitude of  $V_{BE}$  itself. With  $V_{BE} \approx 750 \text{ mV}$ and  $T = 300^{\circ}$ K,  $\partial V_{BE} / \partial T \approx -1.5 \text{ mV/}^{\circ}$ K.

From (11.13), we note that the temperature coefficient of  $V_{BE}$  itself depends on the temperature, creating error in constant reference generation if the positive-TC quantity exhibits a constant temperature coefficient.

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11.3.2 Positive-TC Voltage • Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> identical and If two bipolar transistors biased at nI<sub>0</sub> and I<sub>0</sub> AND operate at unequal current densities, the negligible base currents: difference between their base-emitter voltages is directly proportional to the absolute temperature (11.14)  $= V_T \ln \frac{nI_0}{I_{S1}} - V_T \ln \frac{I_0}{I_{S2}}$ (11.15) (11.16)  $= V_T \ln n.$ 











































