## Laboratory Exercise 2: BJT Operation

See accompanying Data Sheet for the MPS2222 BJT. Review this exercise and complete steps 1, 2, and 3 before coming to class.

1. Read the Data Sheet to determine the layout of the transistor and the DC current gains, $\beta$ (the data sheet refers to the DC current gain as $h_{f e}$ ).
2. Using the kit of parts design, an amplifier circuit which operates in the active region and has an approximate Q-point of VCE $=4.5 \mathrm{v}$ and $I_{C}=6 \mathrm{ma}$.
3. Write down the values of $R_{B}$ and $R_{C}$ for this design.
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$R_{C}$ $\qquad$

4. Build this circuit and using the oscilloscope (or VOM in your kit) measure and record $I_{B}, V_{B E}, V_{C E}, I_{C}$ and $\beta$ assuming $V_{I N}=0$.


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5. Using the function generator, choose a value of $V_{I N}$ such that the BJT operates entirely in the active region. Using the oscilloscope, view $V_{C E}$ and $I_{C}$ and then calculate the voltage gain and current gain of this amplifier. Show the results (waveforms and levels) and your calculations.

| $\Delta V_{I N}$ |
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| $\Delta I_{B}$ |
| $\Delta I_{C}$ |
| $\Delta V_{C E}$ |
| $A_{V}$ |
| $A_{I}$ |

6. Slowly increase $V_{I N}$ (until it reaches both cutoff and saturation) and note how the BJT performs. Does it reach cutoff before saturation? Why? Show the waveforms as you increase $V_{I N}$. What are the values of $V_{I N}$ when cutoff and saturation is reached? Calculate the voltage and current gain for the various scenarios observed

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| $\Delta I_{B}$ | <br> $\Delta I_{C}$ <br> $\Delta V_{C E}$ <br> $A_{I}$}

$A_{I}$ $\qquad$
$\Delta V_{I N}$ $\qquad$
$\Delta I_{B}$
$\Delta I_{C}$
$\Delta V_{C E}$ $\qquad$
$A_{V}$
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