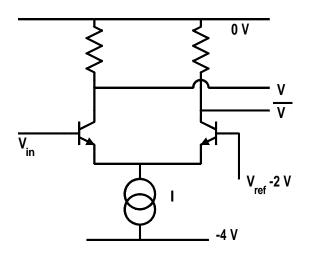
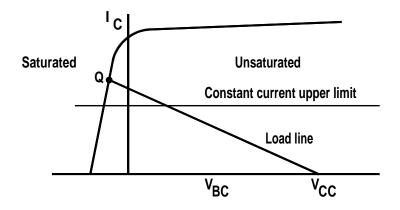
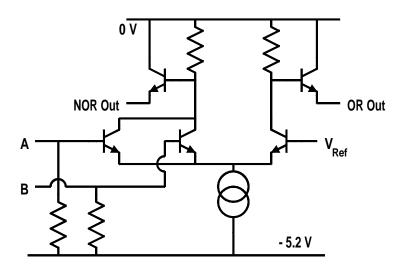
- Emitter Coupled Logic (ECL) avoids saturation effects by operating in differential mode with a limited emitter current.
- Total current in transistor pair is less than saturation current for one transistor.
- Unsaturated transistors have a faster switching time because of the absence of minority charge storage.
- ECL logic gates can operate at high switching speeds.



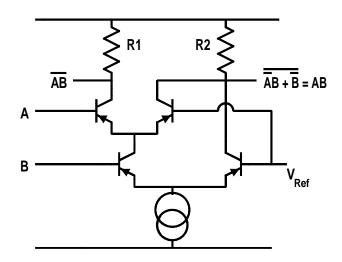
Saturation prevented by using transistors in differntial mode with emitter coupling of signals.



Constant current source restricts the operating point to values less than the saturation current.



ECL OR / NOR gate implementation.



ECL AND / NAND gate implementation.

- High speed operation.
- Video signal processing a typical example
- Two negative voltage supplies required.
- Converter circuits needed for interfacing to TTL or CMOS.