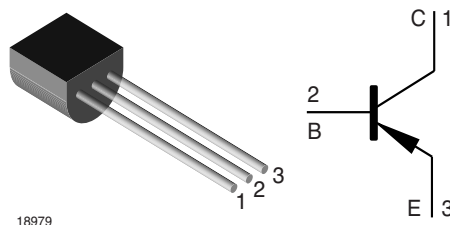


Small Signal Transistors (PNP)

Features

- PNP Silicon Epitaxial Planar Transistors for switching and AF amplifier applications.
- These transistors are subdivided into three groups A, B, and C according to their current gain. The type BC556 is available in groups A and B, however, the types BC557 and BC558 can be supplied in all three groups. As complementary types, the NPN transistors BC546...BC548 are recommended.
- On special request, these transistors are also manufactured in the pin configuration TO-18.



Mechanical Data

Case: TO-92 Plastic case

Weight: approx. 177 mg

Packaging Codes/Options:

BULK / 5 k per container 20 k/box

TAP / 4 k per Ammopack 20 k/box

Parts Table

Part	Ordering code	Remarks
BC556A	BC556A-BULK or BC556A-TAP	Bulk / Ammopack
BC556B	BC556B-BULK or BC556B-TAP	Bulk / Ammopack
BC557A	BC557A-BULK or BC557A-TAP	Bulk / Ammopack
BC557B	BC557B-BULK or BC557B-TAP	Bulk / Ammopack
BC557C	BC557C-BULK or BC557C-TAP	Bulk / Ammopack
BC558A	BC558A-BULK or BC558A-TAP	Bulk / Ammopack
BC558B	BC558B-BULK or BC558B-TAP	Bulk / Ammopack
BC558C	BC558C-BULK or BC558C-TAP	Bulk / Ammopack

Absolute Maximum Ratings

$T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, unless otherwise specified

Parameter	Test condition	Part	Symbol	Value	Unit
Collector - base voltage		BC556	$-V_{CBO}$	80	V
		BC557	$-V_{CBO}$	50	V
		BC558	$-V_{CBO}$	30	V
Collector - emitter voltage		BC556	$-V_{CES}$	80	V
		BC557	$-V_{CES}$	50	V
		BC558	$-V_{CES}$	30	V
		BC556	$-V_{CEO}$	65	V
		BC557	$-V_{CEO}$	45	V
		BC558	$-V_{CEO}$	30	V
Emitter - base voltage			$-V_{EBO}$	5	V
Collector current			$-I_C$	100	mA
Peak collector current			$-I_{CM}$	200	mA
Peak base current			$-I_{BM}$	200	mA
Peak emitter current			I_{EM}	200	mA
Power dissipation	$T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		P_{tot}	500 ¹⁾	mW

¹⁾ Valid provided that leads are kept at ambient temperature at a distance of 2 mm from case.

Maximum Thermal Resistance

Parameter	Test condition	Symbol	Value	Unit
Thermal resistance junction to ambient air		$R\theta_{JA}$	250 ¹⁾	$^{\circ}\text{C/W}$
Junction temperature		T_j	150	$^{\circ}\text{C}$
Storage temperature range		T_S	- 65 to + 150	$^{\circ}\text{C}$

¹⁾ Valid provided that leads are kept at ambient temperature at a distance of 2 mm from case.

Electrical DC Characteristics

Parameter	Test condition	Part	Symbol	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Small signal current gain (current gain group A)	$-V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, $-I_C = 2\text{ mA}$, $f = 1\text{ kHz}$		h_{fe}		220		
Small signal current gain (current gain group B)	$-V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, $-I_C = 2\text{ mA}$, $f = 1\text{ kHz}$		h_{fe}		330		
Small signal current gain (current gain group C)	$-V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, $-I_C = 2\text{ mA}$, $f = 1\text{ kHz}$		h_{fe}		600		
Input impedance (current gain group A)	$-V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, $-I_C = 2\text{ mA}$, $f = 1\text{ kHz}$		h_{ie}	1.6	2.7	4.5	$k\Omega$
Input impedance (current gain group B)	$-V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, $-I_C = 2\text{ mA}$, $f = 1\text{ kHz}$		h_{ie}	3.2	4.5	8.5	$k\Omega$
Input impedance (current gain group C)	$-V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, $-I_C = 2\text{ mA}$, $f = 1\text{ kHz}$		h_{ie}	6	8.7	15	$k\Omega$
Output admittance (current gain group A)	$-V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, $-I_C = 2\text{ mA}$, $f = 1\text{ kHz}$		h_{oe}		18	30	μS
Output admittance (current gain group B)	$-V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, $-I_C = 2\text{ mA}$, $f = 1\text{ kHz}$		h_{oe}		30	60	μS
Output admittance (current gain group C)	$-V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, $-I_C = 2\text{ mA}$, $f = 1\text{ kHz}$		h_{oe}		60	110	μS
Reverse voltage transfer ratio (current gain group A)	$-V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, $-I_C = 2\text{ mA}$, $f = 1\text{ kHz}$		h_{re}		1.5×10^{-4}		

Parameter	Test condition	Part	Symbol	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Reverse voltage transfer ratio (current gain group B)	- $V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, - $I_C = 2\text{ mA}$, $f = 1\text{ kHz}$		h_{re}		2×10^{-4}		
Reverse voltage transfer ratio (current gain group C)	- $V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, - $I_C = 2\text{ mA}$, $f = 1\text{ kHz}$		h_{re}		3×10^{-4}		
DC current gain (current gain group A)	- $V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, - $I_C = 10\text{ }\mu\text{A}$		h_{FE}		90		
DC current gain (current gain group B)	- $V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, - $I_C = 10\text{ }\mu\text{A}$		h_{FE}		150		
DC current gain (current gain group C)	- $V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, - $I_C = 10\text{ }\mu\text{A}$		h_{FE}		270		
DC current gain (current gain group A)	- $V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, - $I_C = 2\text{ mA}$		h_{FE}	110	180	220	
DC current gain (current gain group B)	- $V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, - $I_C = 2\text{ mA}$		h_{FE}	200	290	450	
DC current gain (current gain group C)	- $V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, - $I_C = 2\text{ mA}$		h_{FE}	420	500	800	
DC current gain (current gain group A)	- $V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, - $I_C = 100\text{ mA}$		h_{FE}		120		
DC current gain (current gain group B)	- $V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, - $I_C = 100\text{ mA}$		h_{FE}		200		
DC current gain (current gain group C)	- $V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, - $I_C = 100\text{ mA}$		h_{FE}		400		
Collector saturation voltage	- $I_C = 10\text{ mA}$, - $I_B = 0.5\text{ mA}$		V_{CEsat}		80	300	mV
	- $I_C = 100\text{ mA}$, - $I_B = 5\text{ mA}$		V_{CEsat}		250	650	mV
Base saturation voltage	- $I_C = 10\text{ mA}$, - $I_B = 0.5\text{ mA}$		V_{BEsat}		700		mV
	- $I_C = 100\text{ mA}$, - $I_B = 5\text{ mA}$		V_{BEsat}		900		mV
Base - voltage	- $V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, - $I_C = 2\text{ mA}$		V_{BE}	600	660	700	mV
	- $V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, - $I_C = 10\text{ mA}$		V_{BE}			800	mV
Collector-emitter cut-off current	- $V_{CE} = 80\text{ V}$	BC556	I_{CES}		0.2	15	nA
	- $V_{CE} = 50\text{ V}$	BC557	I_{CES}		0.2	15	nA
	- $V_{CE} = 30\text{ V}$	BC558	I_{CES}		0.2	15	nA
	- $V_{CE} = 80\text{ V}$, $T_j = 125\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$	BC556	I_{CES}			4	μA
	- $V_{CE} = 50\text{ V}$, $T_j = 125\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$	BC557	I_{CES}			4	μA
	- $V_{CE} = 30\text{ V}$, $T_j = 125\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$	BC558	I_{CES}			4	μA

Electrical AC Characteristics

Parameter	Test condition	Part	Symbol	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Gain bandwidth product	- $V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, - $I_C = 10\text{ mA}$, $f = 100\text{ MHz}$		f_T		150		MHz
Collector - base capacitance	- $V_{CB} = 10\text{ V}$, $f = 1\text{ MHz}$		C_{CBO}			6	pF
Noise figure	- $V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, - $I_C = 200\text{ }\mu\text{A}$, $R_G = 2\text{ k}\Omega$, $f = 1\text{ kHz}$, $\Delta f = 200\text{ Hz}$	BC556	F		2	10	dB
		BC557	F		2	10	dB
		BC558	F		2	10	dB

Typical Characteristics ($T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ unless otherwise specified)

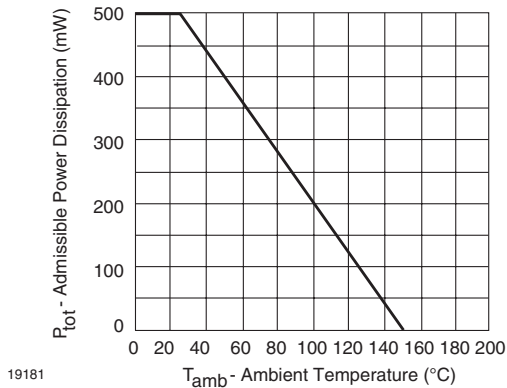


Figure 1. Admissible Power Dissipation vs. Ambient Temperature

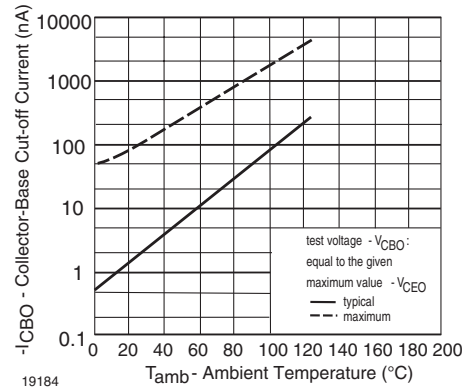


Figure 4. Collector-Base Cut-off Current vs. Ambient Temperature

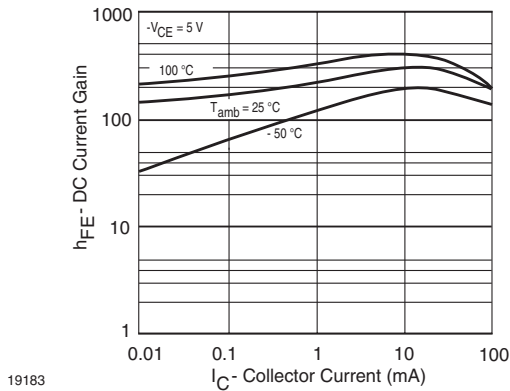


Figure 2. DC Current Gain vs. Collector Current

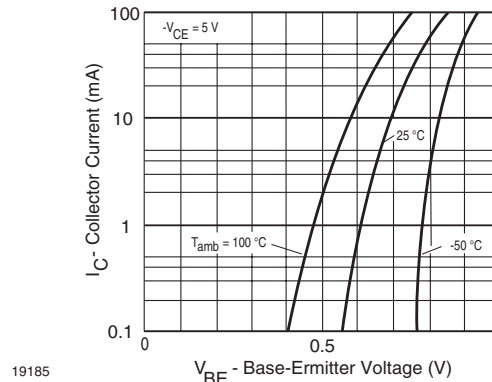


Figure 5. Collector Current vs. Base-Emitter Voltage

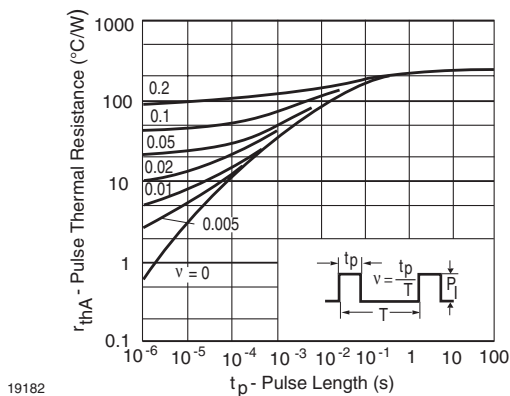


Figure 3. Pulse Thermal Resistance vs. Pulse Duration

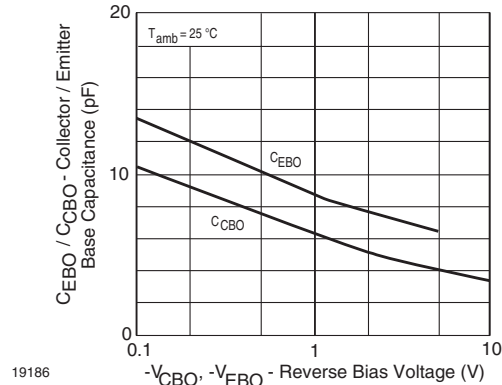


Figure 6. Collector-Base Capacitance, Emitter-Base Capacitance vs. Bias Voltage

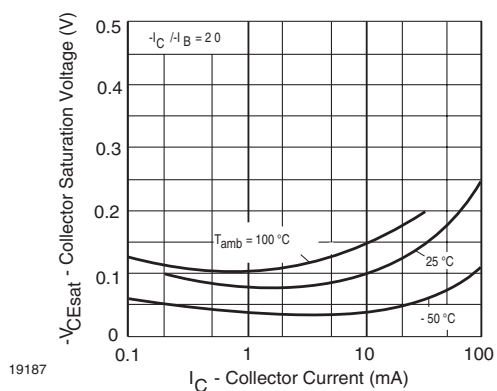


Figure 7. Collector Saturation Voltage vs. Collector Current

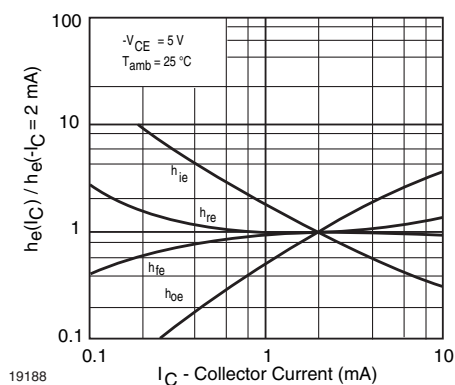


Figure 8. Relative h-Parameters vs. Collector Current

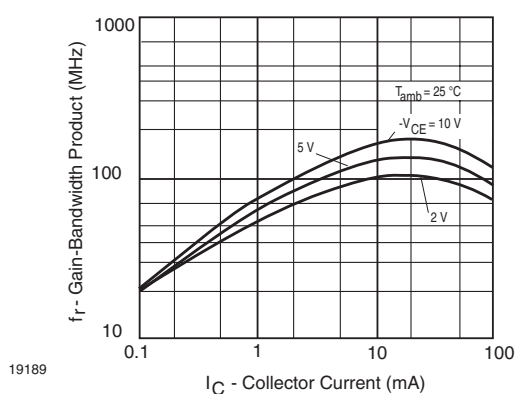
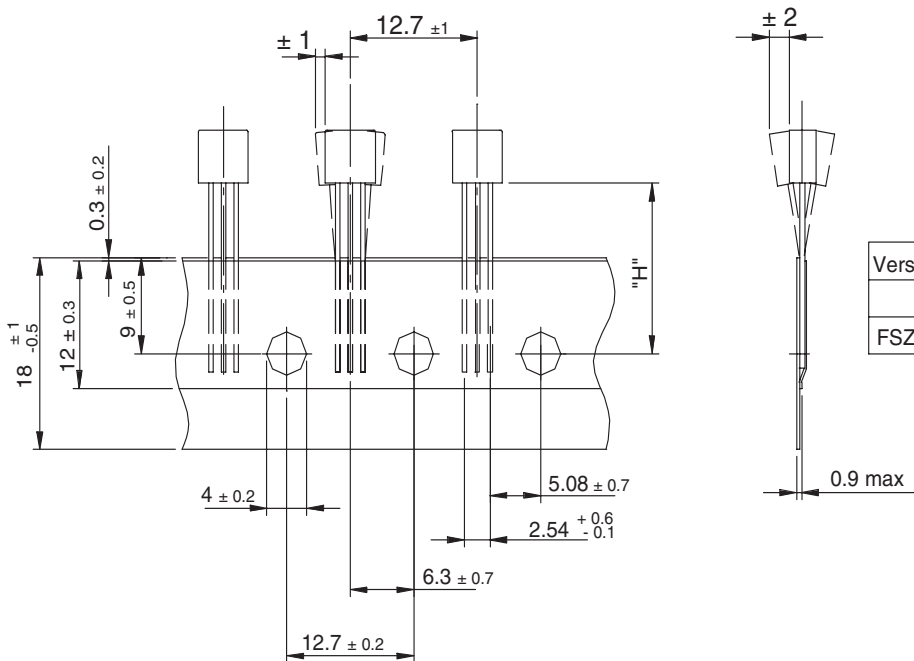
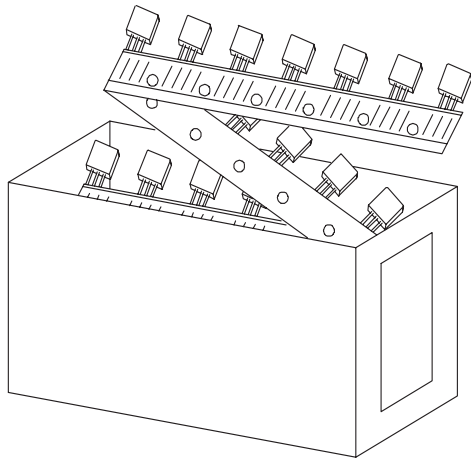


Figure 9. Gain-Bandwidth Product vs. Collector Current

Packaging for Radial Taping

Dimensions in mm

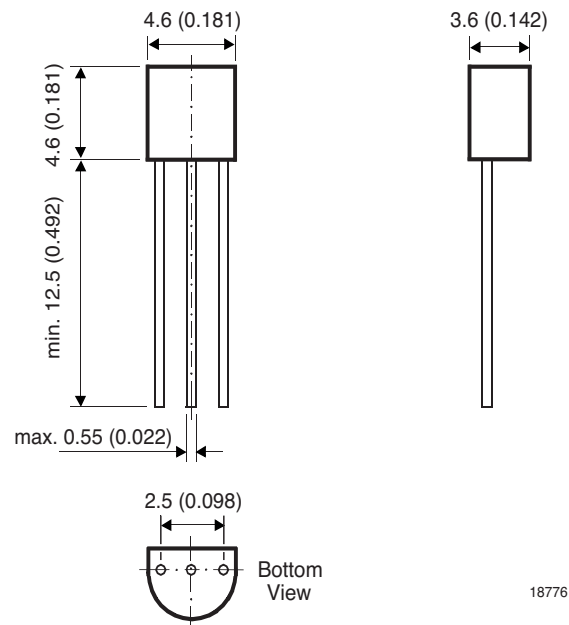


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FSZ	27 ± 0.5

Measure limit over 20 index - holes: ± 1

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Package Dimensions in mm (Inches)



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