



BC817 series

45 V, 500 mA NPN general-purpose transistors

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Product data sheet

1 Product profile

1.1 General description

NPN general-purpose transistors in a small SOT23 Surface-Mounted Device (SMD) plastic package.

Table 1. Product overview

| Type number | Package | | | PNP complement |
|-------------|----------|----------|-------|----------------|
| | Nexperia | JEDEC | JEITA | |
| BC817 | SOT23 | TO-236AB | - | BC807 |
| BC817-16 | | | | BC807-16 |
| BC817-25 | | | | BC807-25 |
| BC817-40 | | | | BC807-40 |

1.2 Features and benefits

- High current
- Three current gain selections
- AEC-Q101 qualified

1.3 Applications

- General-purpose switching and amplification

1.4 Quick reference data

Table 2. Quick reference data

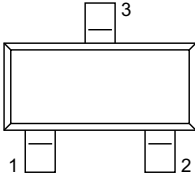
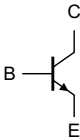
$T_{amb} = 25\text{ °C}$ unless otherwise specified.

| Symbol | Parameter | Conditions | | Min | Typ | Max | Unit |
|-----------|---------------------------|--|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|
| V_{CEO} | collector-emitter voltage | open base | | - | - | 45 | V |
| I_C | collector current | | | - | - | 500 | mA |
| I_{CM} | peak collector current | single pulse; $t_p \leq 1\text{ ms}$ | | - | - | 1 | A |
| h_{FE} | BC817 | $V_{CE} = 1\text{ V}; I_C = 100\text{ mA}$ | [1] | 100 | - | 600 | |
| | BC817-16 | | [1] | 100 | - | 250 | |
| | BC817-25 | | [1] | 160 | - | 400 | |
| | BC817-40 | | [1] | 250 | - | 600 | |

[1] pulsed; $t_p \leq 300\text{ }\mu\text{s}$; $\delta \leq 0.02$

2 Pinning information

Table 3. Pinning

| Pin | Symbol | Description | Simplified outline | Graphic symbol |
|--------------|--------|-------------|--|---|
| SOT23 | | | | |
| 1 | B | base |  |  sym123 |
| 2 | E | emitter | | |
| 3 | C | collector | | |

3 Ordering information

Table 4. Ordering information

| Type number | Package | | Version |
|-------------|----------|--|---------|
| | Name | Description | |
| BC817 | TO-236AB | Plastic surface-mounted package; 3 leads | SOT23 |
| BC817-16 | | | |
| BC817-25 | | | |
| BC817-40 | | | |

4 Marking

Table 5. Marking

| Type number | Marking code |
|-------------|--------------------|
| BC817 | ^[1] 6D% |
| BC817-16 | ^[1] 6A% |
| BC817-25 | ^[1] 6B% |
| BC817-40 | ^[1] 6C% |

[1] % = placeholder for manufacturing site code

5 Limiting values

Table 6. Limiting values

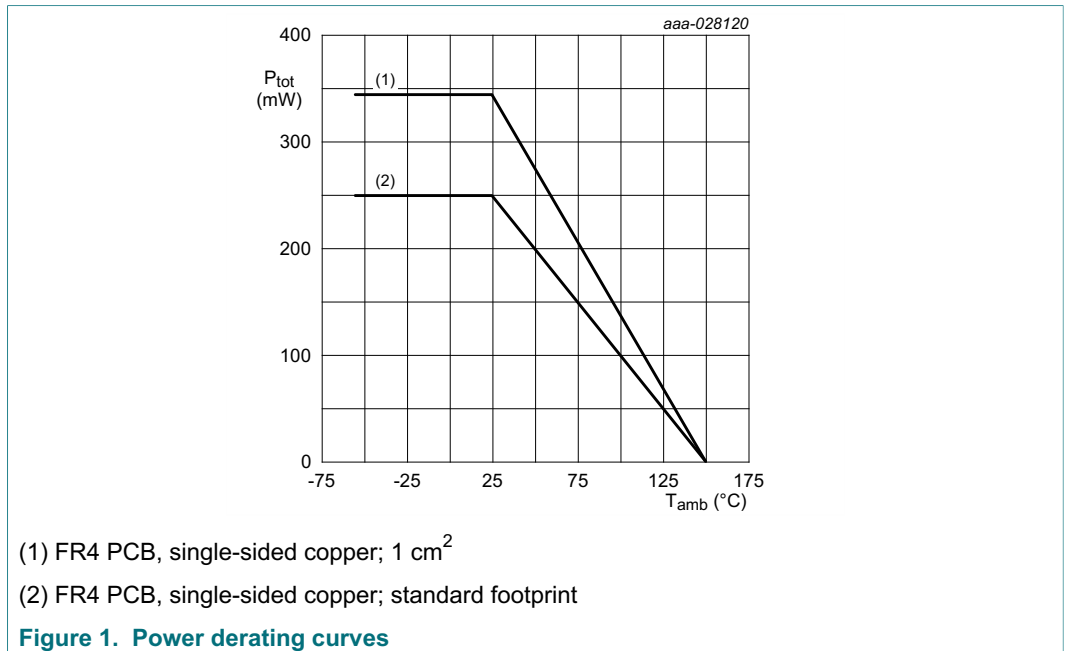
In accordance with the Absolute Maximum Rating System (IEC 60134).

| Symbol | Parameter | Conditions | Min | Max | Unit |
|------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----|------|
| V _{CBO} | collector-base voltage | open emitter | - | 50 | V |
| V _{CEO} | collector-emitter voltage | open base | - | 45 | V |
| V _{EBO} | emitter-base voltage | open collector | - | 5 | V |
| I _C | collector current | | - | 500 | mA |
| I _{CM} | peak collector current | single pulse; t _p ≤ 1 ms | - | 1 | A |
| I _{BM} | peak base current | single pulse; t _p ≤ 1 ms | - | 200 | mA |
| P _{tot} | total power dissipation | T _{amb} ≤ 25 °C | ^[1] ^[2] - | 250 | mW |
| | | | ^[3] ^[2] - | 345 | mW |
| T _j | junction temperature | | - | 150 | °C |
| T _{amb} | ambient temperature | | -65 | 150 | °C |
| T _{stg} | storage temperature | | -65 | 150 | °C |

[1] Device mounted on an FR4 Printed-Circuit-Board (PCB); single-sided copper; tin-plated and standard footprint.

[2] Valid for all available selection groups.

[3] Device mounted on an FR4 Printed-Circuit-Board (PCB); single-sided copper; tin-plated; mounting pad for collector 1 cm².



6 Thermal characteristics

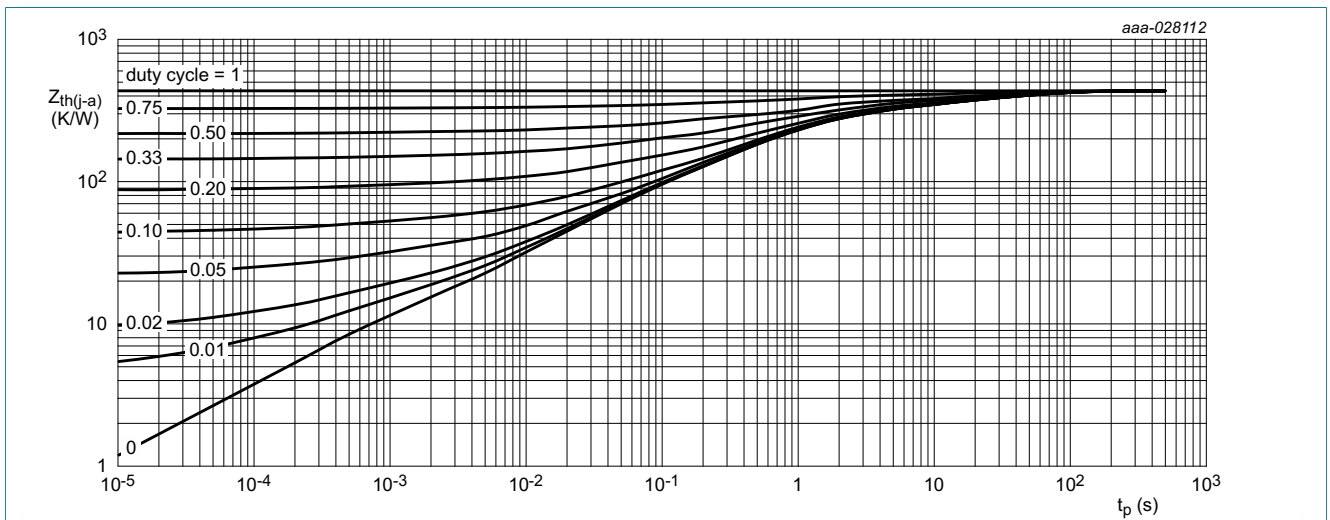
Table 7. Thermal characteristics

| Symbol | Parameter | Conditions | | Min | Typ | Max | Unit |
|---------------|---|-------------|---------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| $R_{th(j-a)}$ | thermal resistance from junction to ambient | in free air | [1] [2] | - | - | 500 | K/W |
| | | | [3] [2] | - | - | 362 | K/W |

[1] Device mounted on an FR4 Printed-Circuit-Board (PCB); single-sided copper; tin-plated and standard footprint.

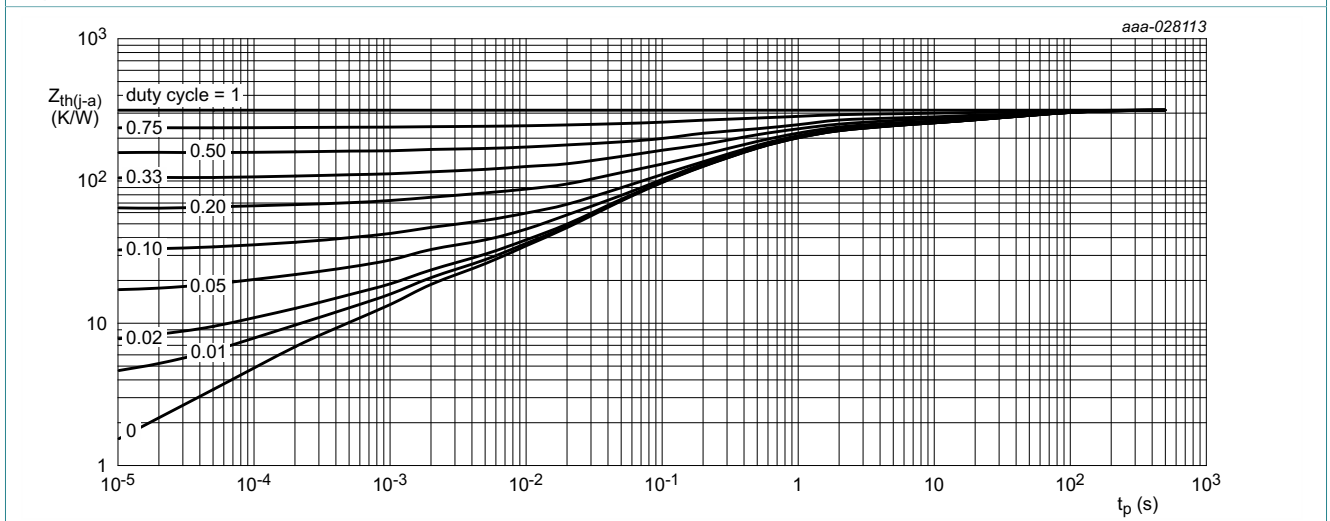
[2] Valid for all available selection groups.

[3] Device mounted on an FR4 Printed-Circuit-Board (PCB); single-sided copper; tin-plated; mounting pad for collector 1 cm².



FR4 PCB; single-sided copper; tin-plated and standard footprint

Figure 2. Transient thermal impedance from junction to ambient as a function of pulse duration; typical values



FR4 PCB; single-sided copper; tin-plated; mounting pad for collector 1 cm²

Figure 3. Transient thermal impedance from junction to ambient as a function of pulse duration; typical values

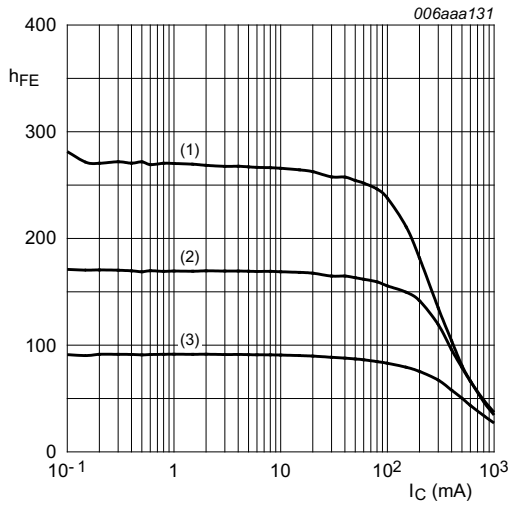
7 Characteristics

Table 8. Characteristics
 $T_{amb} = 25\text{ °C}$ unless otherwise specified.

| Symbol | Parameter | Conditions | Min | Typ | Max | Unit | |
|---------------|--------------------------------------|---|---------|-----|-----|---------------|-----|
| $V_{(BR)CBO}$ | collector-base breakdown voltage | $I_C = 100\ \mu\text{A}; I_E = 0\ \text{A}$ | 50 | - | - | V | |
| $V_{(BR)CEO}$ | collector-emitter breakdown voltage | $I_C = 10\ \text{mA}; I_B = 0\ \text{A}$ | 45 | - | - | V | |
| $V_{(BR)EBO}$ | emitter-base breakdown voltage | $I_E = 100\ \mu\text{A}; I_C = 0\ \text{A}$ | 5 | - | - | V | |
| I_{CBO} | collector-base cut-off current | $V_{CB} = 20\ \text{V}; I_E = 0\ \text{A}$ | - | - | 100 | nA | |
| | | $V_{CB} = 20\ \text{V}; I_E = 0\ \text{A}; T_j = 150\text{ °C}$ | - | - | 5 | μA | |
| I_{EBO} | emitter-base cut-off current | $V_{EB} = 5\ \text{V}; I_C = 0\ \text{A}$ | - | - | 100 | nA | |
| h_{FE} | DC current gain | | | | | | |
| | BC817 | $V_{CE} = 1\ \text{V}; I_C = 100\ \text{mA}$ | [1] | 100 | - | 600 | |
| | BC817-16 | $V_{CE} = 1\ \text{V}; I_C = 100\ \text{mA}$ | [1] | 100 | - | 250 | |
| | BC817-25 | $V_{CE} = 1\ \text{V}; I_C = 100\ \text{mA}$ | [1] | 160 | - | 400 | |
| | BC817-40 | $V_{CE} = 1\ \text{V}; I_C = 100\ \text{mA}$ | [1] | 250 | - | 600 | |
| h_{FE} | DC current gain | $V_{CE} = 1\ \text{V}; I_C = 500\ \text{mA}$ | [1] | 40 | - | - | |
| V_{CEsat} | collector-emitter saturation voltage | $I_C = 500\ \text{mA}; I_B = 50\ \text{mA}$ | [1] | - | - | 700 | mV |
| V_{BE} | base-emitter voltage | $V_{CE} = 1\ \text{V}; I_C = 500\ \text{mA}$ | [1] [2] | - | - | 1.2 | V |
| f_T | transition frequency | $V_{CE} = 5\ \text{V}; I_C = 10\ \text{mA}; f = 100\ \text{MHz}$ | | 100 | - | - | MHz |
| C_c | collector capacitance | $V_{CB} = 10\ \text{V}; I_E = I_e = 0\ \text{A}; f = 1\ \text{MHz}$ | | - | 3 | - | pF |

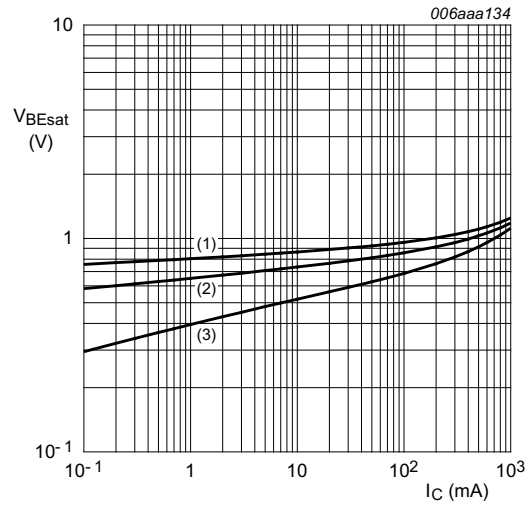
[1] pulsed; $t_p \leq 300\ \mu\text{s}$; $\delta \leq 0.02$

[2] V_{BE} decreases by approximately 2 mV/K with increasing temperature.



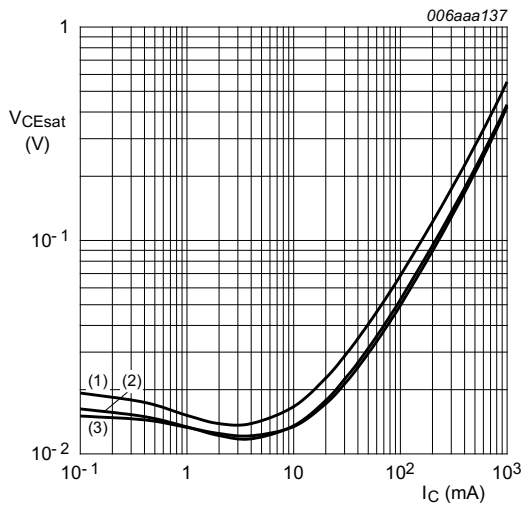
$V_{CE} = -1 \text{ V}$
 (1) $T_{amb} = 150 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
 (2) $T_{amb} = 25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
 (3) $T_{amb} = -55 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

Figure 4. BC817-16: DC current gain as a function of collector current; typical values



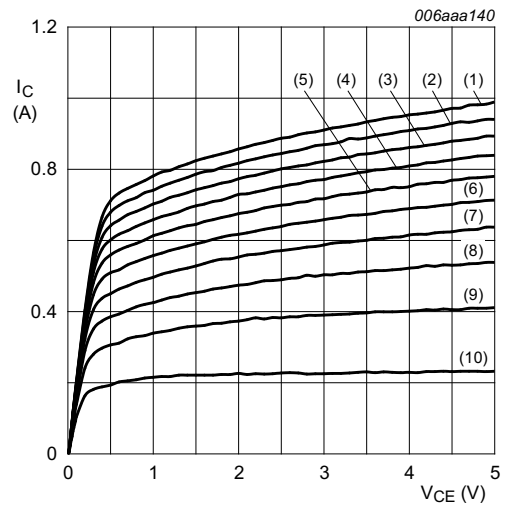
$I_C/I_B = 10$
 (1) $T_{amb} = -55 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
 (2) $T_{amb} = 25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
 (3) $T_{amb} = 150 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

Figure 5. BC817-16: Base-emitter saturation voltage as a function of collector current; typical values



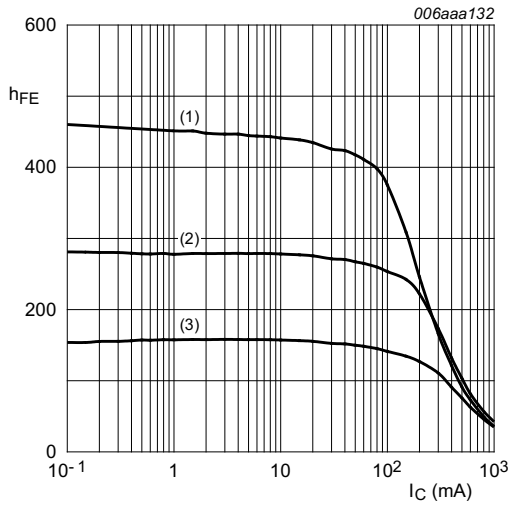
$I_C/I_B = 10$
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 (2) $T_{amb} = 25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
 (3) $T_{amb} = -55 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

Figure 6. BC817-16: Collector-emitter saturation voltage as a function of collector current; typical values



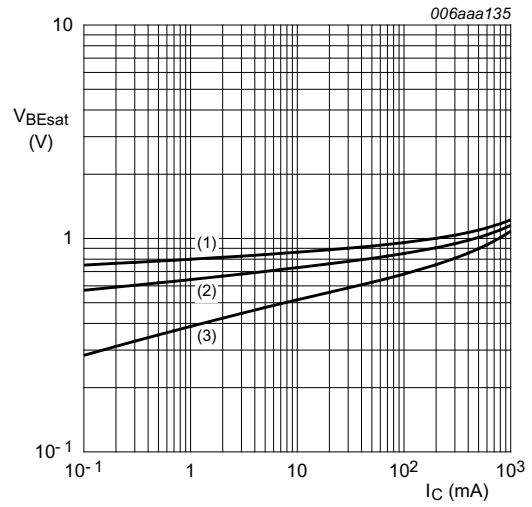
$T_{amb} = 25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
 (1) $I_B = -16.0 \text{ mA}$
 (2) $I_B = -14.4 \text{ mA}$
 (3) $I_B = -12.8 \text{ mA}$
 (4) $I_B = -11.2 \text{ mA}$
 (5) $I_B = -9.6 \text{ mA}$
 (6) $I_B = -8.0 \text{ mA}$
 (7) $I_B = -6.4 \text{ mA}$
 (8) $I_B = -4.8 \text{ mA}$
 (9) $I_B = -3.2 \text{ mA}$
 (10) $I_B = -1.6 \text{ mA}$

Figure 7. BC817-16: Collector current as a function of collector-emitter voltage; typical values



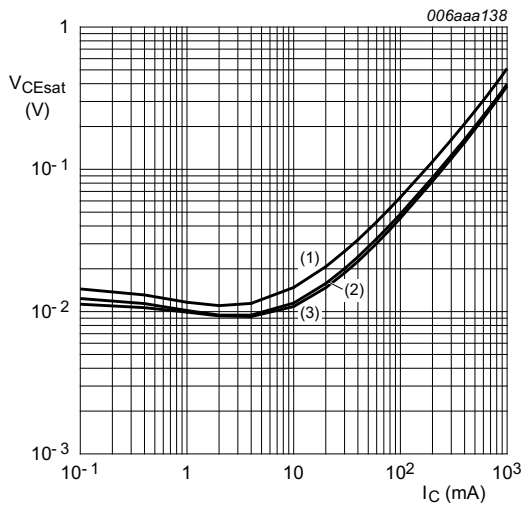
$V_{CE} = 1\text{ V}$
 (1) $T_{amb} = 150\text{ °C}$
 (2) $T_{amb} = 25\text{ °C}$
 (3) $T_{amb} = -55\text{ °C}$

Figure 8. BC817-25: DC current gain as a function of collector current; typical values



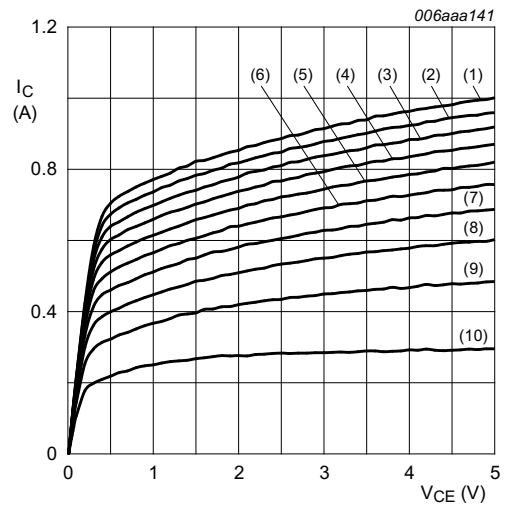
$I_C/I_B = 10$
 (1) $T_{amb} = -55\text{ °C}$
 (2) $T_{amb} = 25\text{ °C}$
 (3) $T_{amb} = 150\text{ °C}$

Figure 9. BC817-25: Base-emitter saturation voltage as a function of collector current; typical values



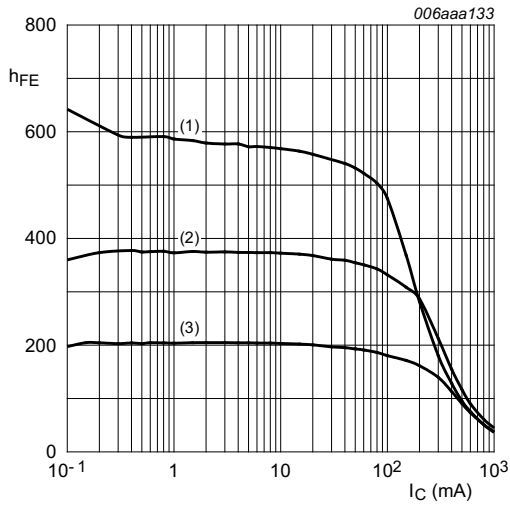
$I_C/I_B = 10$
 (1) $T_{amb} = 150\text{ °C}$
 (2) $T_{amb} = 25\text{ °C}$
 (3) $T_{amb} = -55\text{ °C}$

Figure 10. BC817-25: Collector-emitter saturation voltage as a function of collector current; typical values



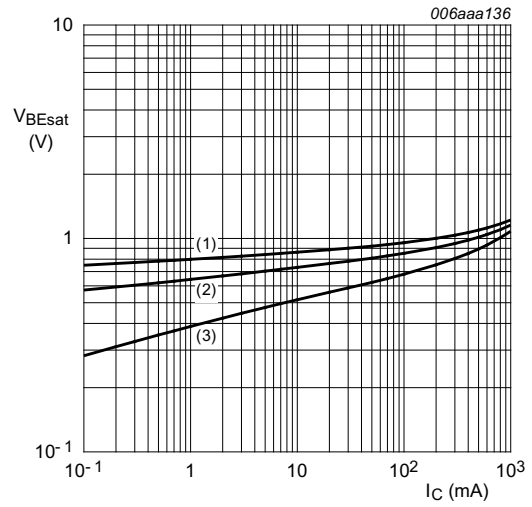
$T_{amb} = 25\text{ °C}$
 (1) $I_B = 13.0\text{ mA}$
 (2) $I_B = 11.7\text{ mA}$
 (3) $I_B = 10.4\text{ mA}$
 (4) $I_B = 9.1\text{ mA}$
 (5) $I_B = 7.8\text{ mA}$
 (6) $I_B = 6.5\text{ mA}$
 (7) $I_B = 5.2\text{ mA}$
 (8) $I_B = 3.9\text{ mA}$
 (9) $I_B = 2.6\text{ mA}$
 (10) $I_B = 1.3\text{ mA}$

Figure 11. BC817-25: Collector current as a function of collector-emitter voltage; typical values



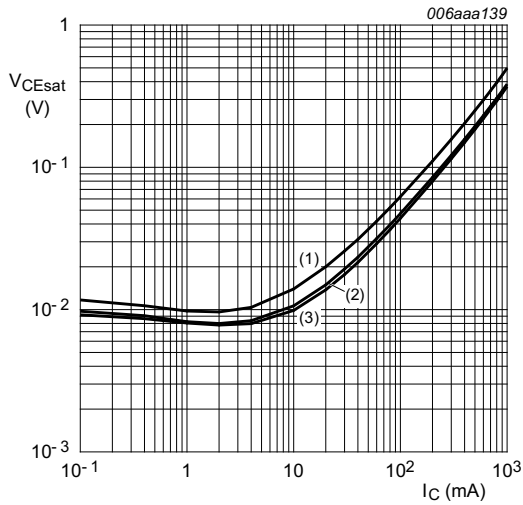
$V_{CE} = 1 \text{ V}$
 (1) $T_{amb} = 150 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
 (2) $T_{amb} = 25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
 (3) $T_{amb} = -55 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

Figure 12. BC817-40: DC current gain as a function of collector current; typical values



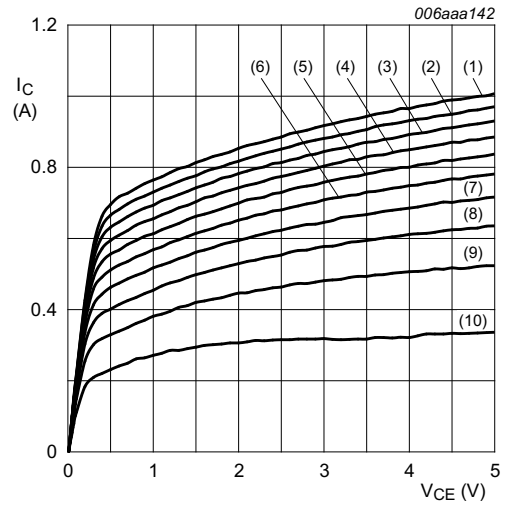
$I_C/I_B = 10$
 (1) $T_{amb} = -55 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
 (2) $T_{amb} = 25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
 (3) $T_{amb} = 150 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

Figure 13. BC817-40: Base-emitter saturation voltage as a function of collector current; typical values



$I_C/I_B = 10$
 (1) $T_{amb} = 150 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
 (2) $T_{amb} = 25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
 (3) $T_{amb} = -55 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

Figure 14. BC817-40: Collector-emitter saturation voltage as a function of collector current; typical values



$T_{amb} = 25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
 (1) $I_B = 12.0 \text{ mA}$
 (2) $I_B = 10.8 \text{ mA}$
 (3) $I_B = 9.6 \text{ mA}$
 (4) $I_B = 8.4 \text{ mA}$
 (5) $I_B = 7.2 \text{ mA}$
 (6) $I_B = 6.0 \text{ mA}$
 (7) $I_B = 4.8 \text{ mA}$
 (8) $I_B = 3.6 \text{ mA}$
 (9) $I_B = 2.4 \text{ mA}$
 (10) $I_B = 1.2 \text{ mA}$

Figure 15. BC817-40: Collector current as a function of collector-emitter voltage; typical values

8 Test information

8.1 Quality information

This product has been qualified in accordance with the Automotive Electronics Council (AEC) standard Q101 - Stress test qualification for discrete semiconductors, and is suitable for use in automotive applications.

9 Package outline

Table 9. Package outline

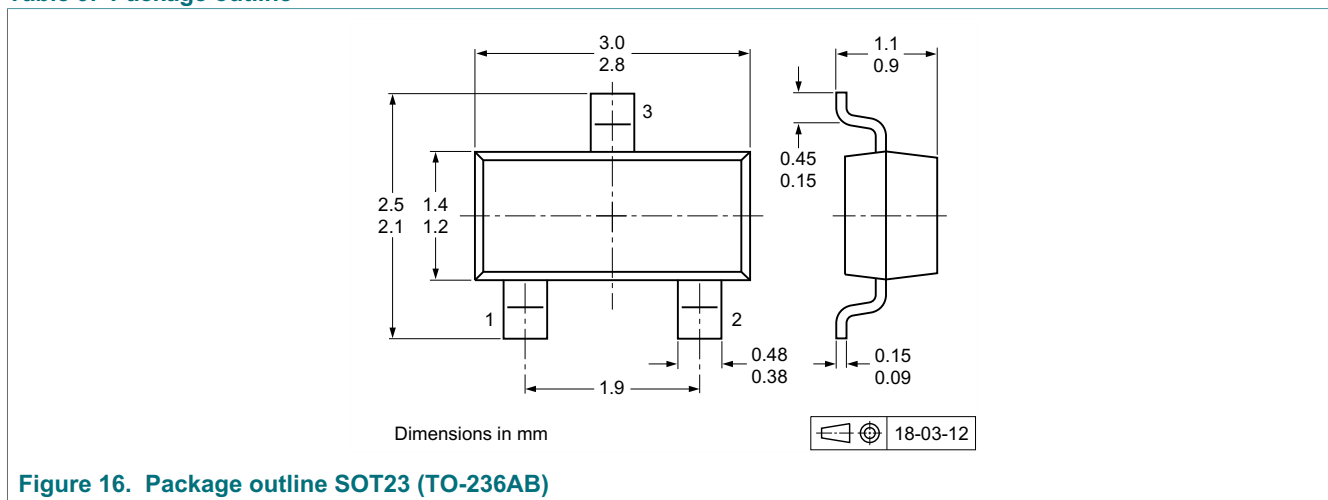
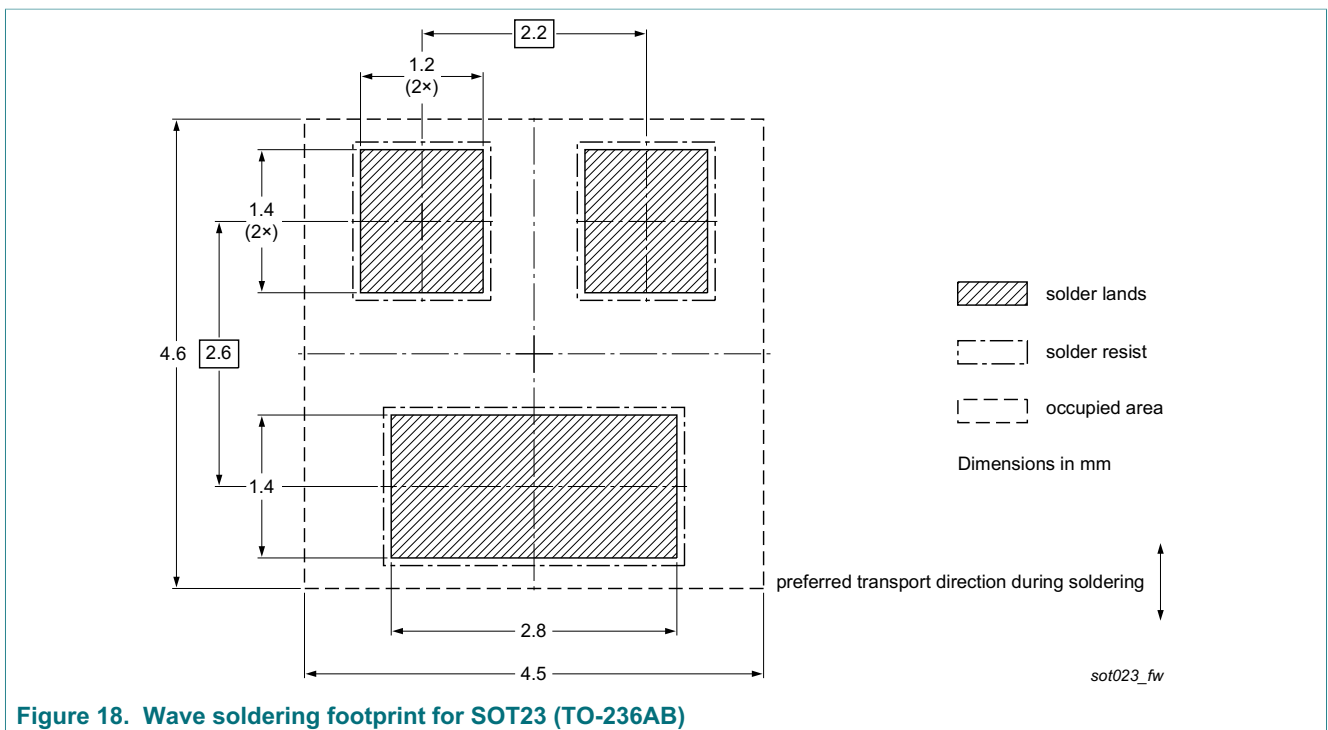
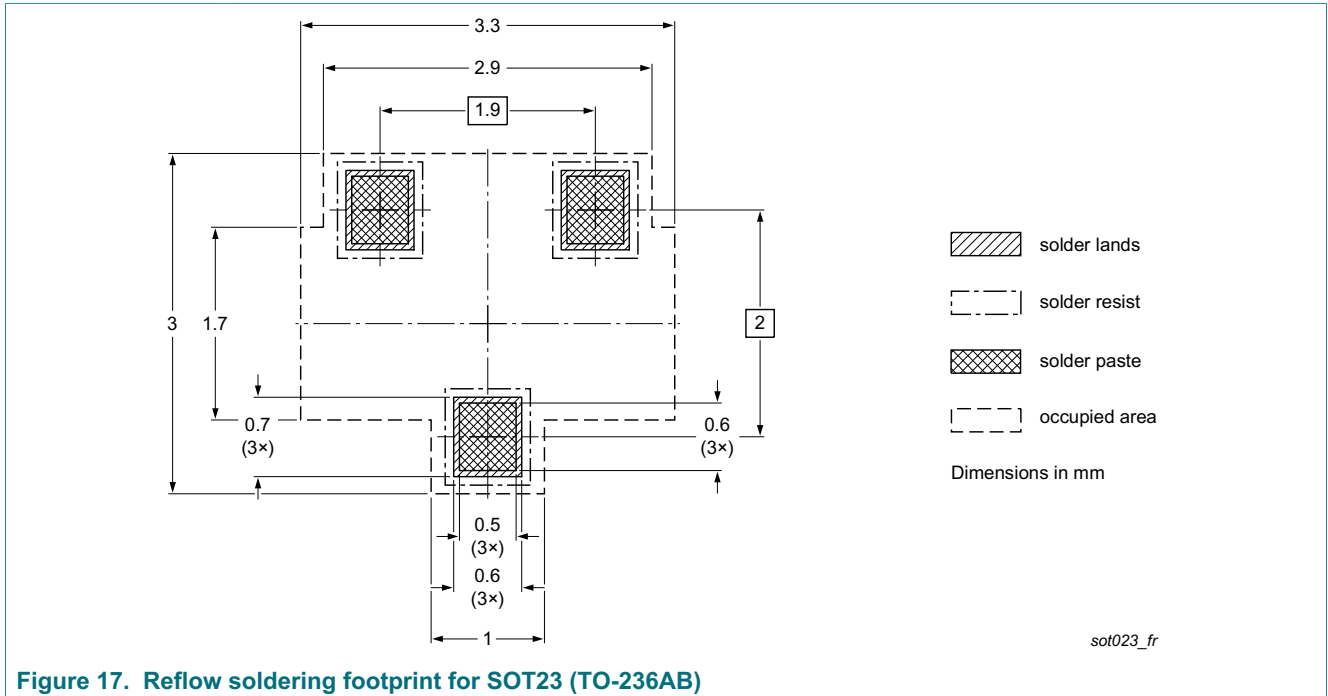


Figure 16. Package outline SOT23 (TO-236AB)

10 Soldering

Table 10. Soldering



11 Revision history

Table 11. Revision history

| Document ID | Release date | Data sheet status | Change notice | Supersedes |
|------------------------|---|-----------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| BC817 v.7 | 20180618 | Product data sheet | - | BC817_BC817W_BC337 v.6 |
| Modifications: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The format of this data sheet has been redesigned to comply with the identity guidelines of Nexperia. • Legal texts have been adapted to the new company name where appropriate. • Removed basic types: BC327 and BC807W (separate data sheet). • Added Fig 1. Power derating curves in section "Limiting values" and the thermal graphs as Fig 2. and Fig 3. in section "Thermal characteristics". • Graphs in section "Characteristics" are sorted in new order. • Added sections 8 "Test information" and 9 "Soldering". • Removed Section "Packing information" • AEC-Q101 qualified | | | |
| BC817_BC817W_BC337 v.6 | 20091117 | Product data sheet | - | BC817_BC817W_BC337 v.5 |
| BC817_BC817W_BC337 v.5 | 20050221 | Product data sheet | CPCN200302007F CPCN200405006F | BC817 v.4; BC817W_SER v.4; BC337 v.3 |
| BC817 v.4 | 20040116 | Product Specification | - | BC817 v.3 |
| BC817W_SER v.4 | 20040225 | Product Specification | - | BC817W_SER v.3 |
| BC337 v.3 | 19990415 | Product Specification | - | BC337_338_CNV v.2 |

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| Document status ^{[1][2]} | Product status ^[3] | Definition |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
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