



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

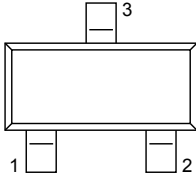
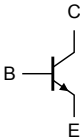
$T_{amb} = 25\text{ °C}$ unless otherwise specified.

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

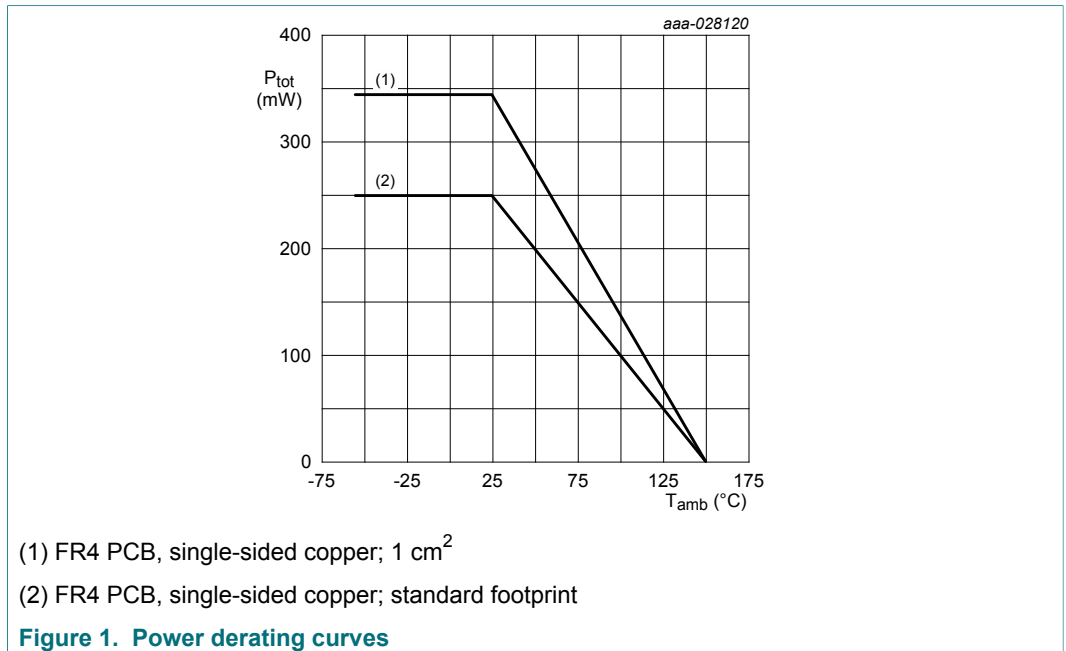
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Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Max	Unit
V _{CBO}	collector-base voltage	open emitter	-	50	V
V _{CEO}	collector-emitter voltage	open base	-	45	V
V _{EBO}	emitter-base voltage	open collector	-	5	V
I _C	collector current		-	500	mA
I _{CM}	peak collector 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

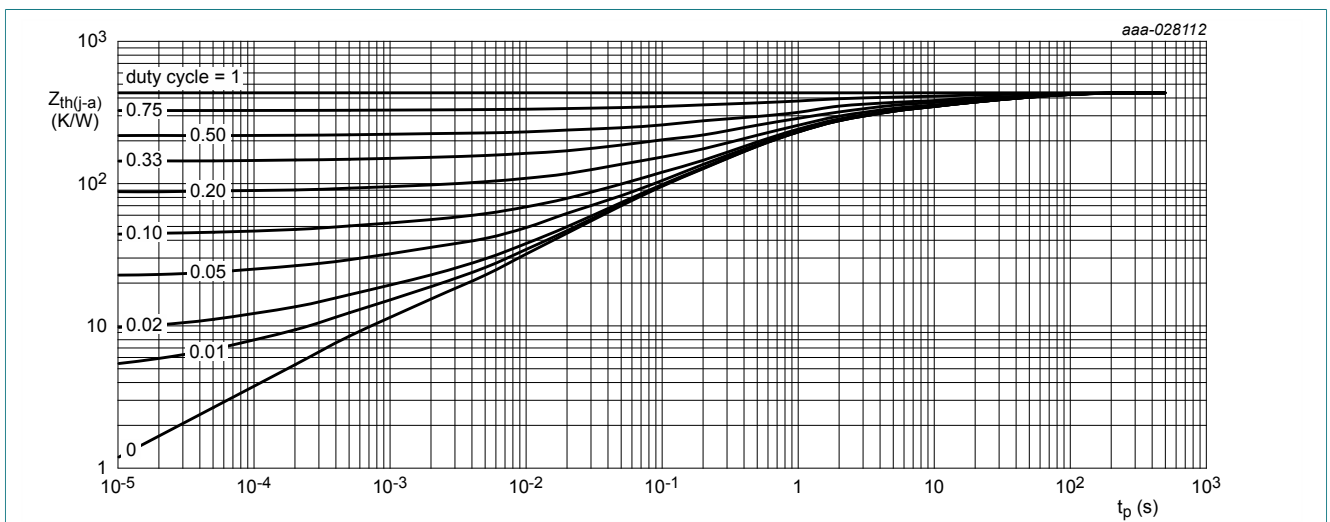
Table 7. Thermal characteristics

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.

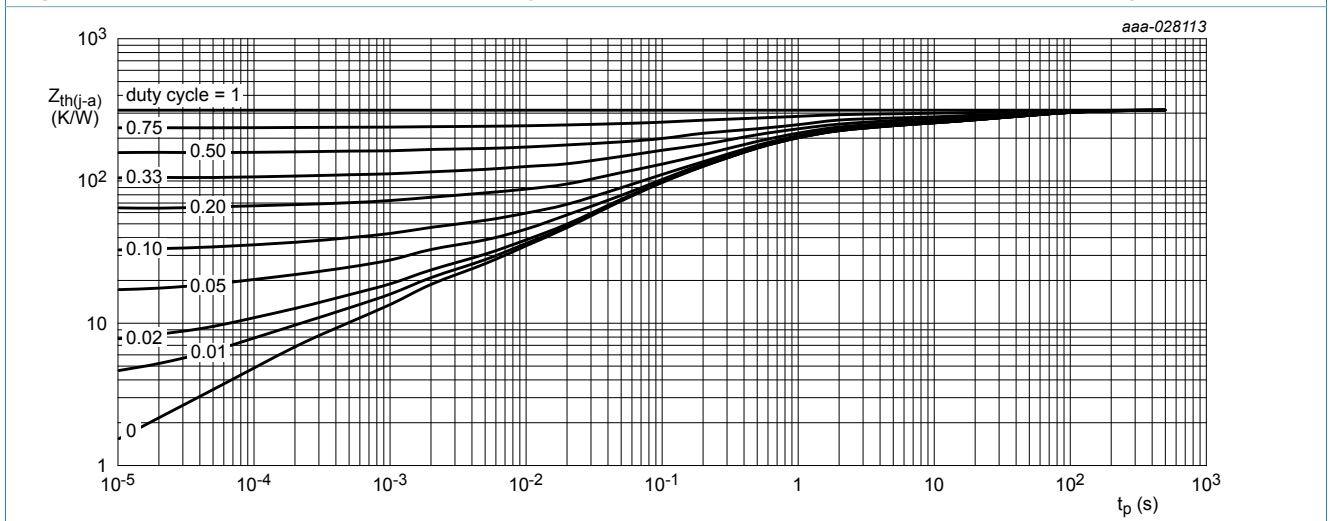
[2] Valid for all available selection groups.

[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

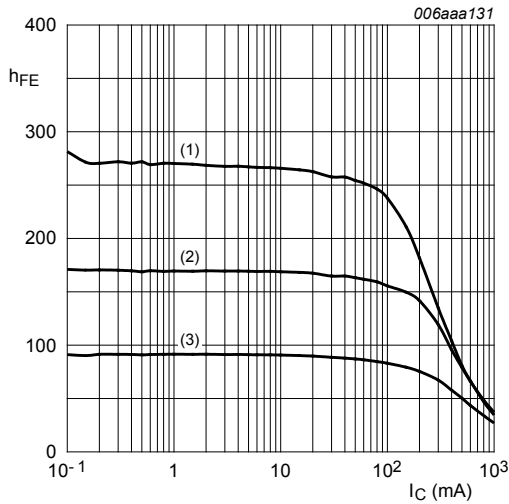
7 Characteristics

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

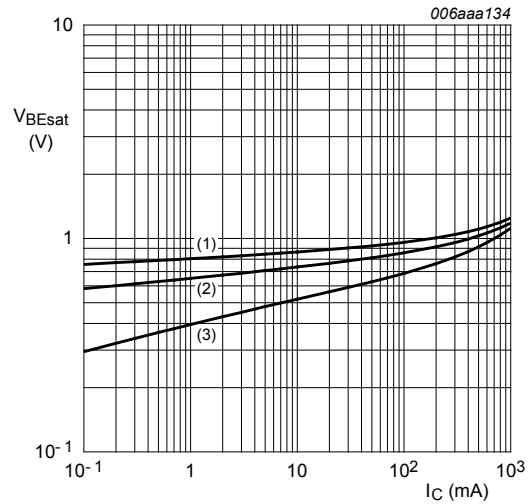
[1] pulsed; $t_p \leq 300\ \mu\text{s}$; $\delta \leq 0.02$

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



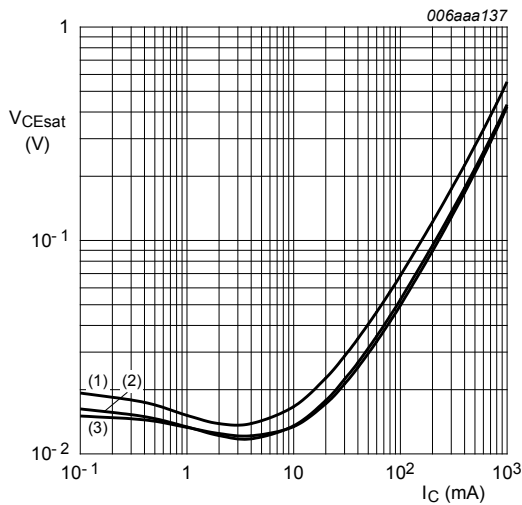
$V_{CE} = -1 \text{ V}$
 (1) $T_{amb} = 150 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
 (2) $T_{amb} = 25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
 (3) $T_{amb} = -55 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

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



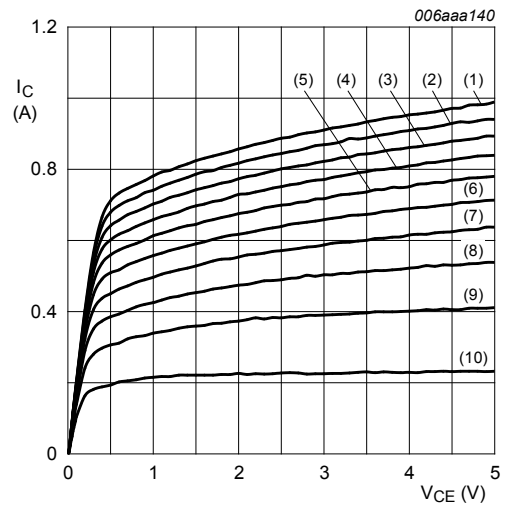
$I_C/I_B = 10$
 (1) $T_{amb} = -55 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
 (2) $T_{amb} = 25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
 (3) $T_{amb} = 150 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

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



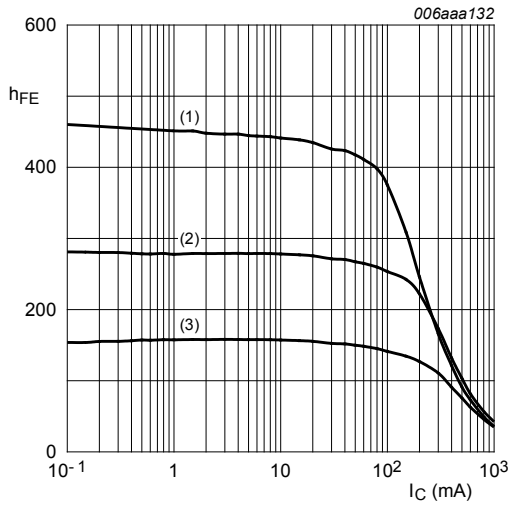
$I_C/I_B = 10$
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 (2) $T_{amb} = 25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
 (3) $T_{amb} = -55 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

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



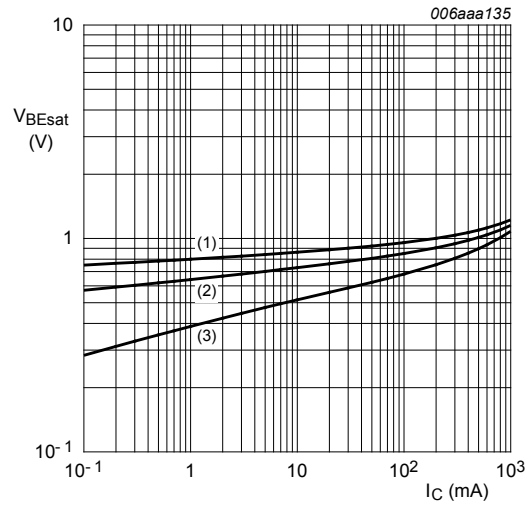
$T_{amb} = 25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
 (1) $I_B = -16.0 \text{ mA}$
 (2) $I_B = -14.4 \text{ mA}$
 (3) $I_B = -12.8 \text{ mA}$
 (4) $I_B = -11.2 \text{ mA}$
 (5) $I_B = -9.6 \text{ mA}$
 (6) $I_B = -8.0 \text{ mA}$
 (7) $I_B = -6.4 \text{ mA}$
 (8) $I_B = -4.8 \text{ mA}$
 (9) $I_B = -3.2 \text{ mA}$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

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



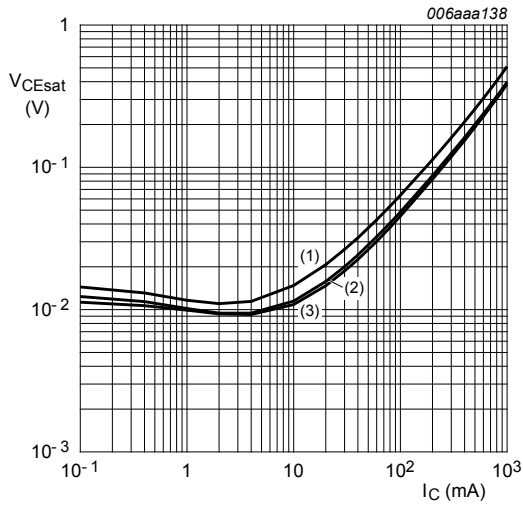
$V_{CE} = 1\text{ V}$
 (1) $T_{amb} = 150\text{ °C}$
 (2) $T_{amb} = 25\text{ °C}$
 (3) $T_{amb} = -55\text{ °C}$

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



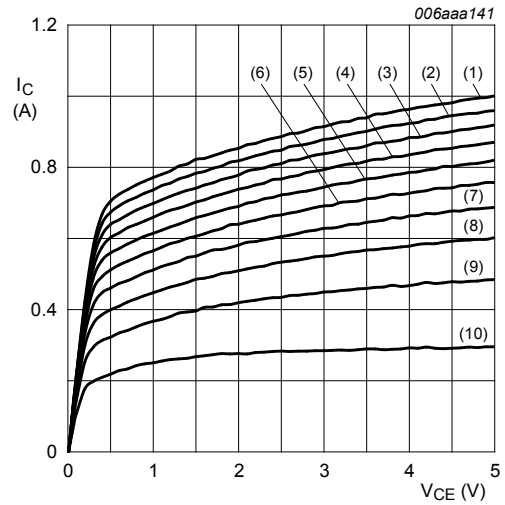
$I_C/I_B = 10$
 (1) $T_{amb} = -55\text{ °C}$
 (2) $T_{amb} = 25\text{ °C}$
 (3) $T_{amb} = 150\text{ °C}$

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



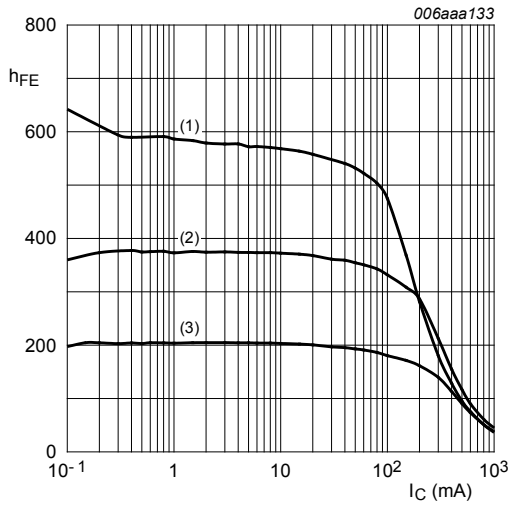
$I_C/I_B = 10$
 (1) $T_{amb} = 150\text{ °C}$
 (2) $T_{amb} = 25\text{ °C}$
 (3) $T_{amb} = -55\text{ °C}$

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



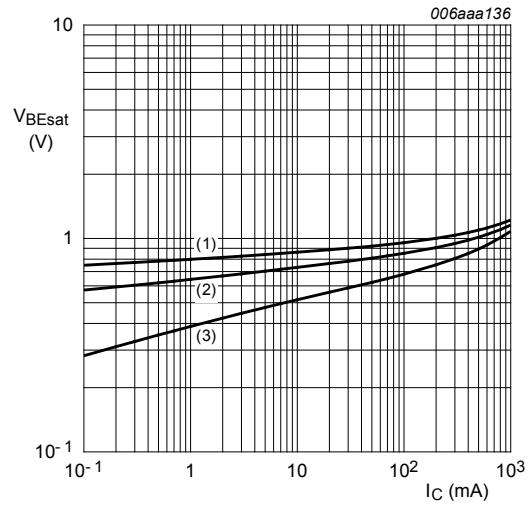
$T_{amb} = 25\text{ °C}$
 (1) $I_B = 13.0\text{ mA}$
 (2) $I_B = 11.7\text{ mA}$
 (3) $I_B = 10.4\text{ mA}$
 (4) $I_B = 9.1\text{ mA}$
 (5) $I_B = 7.8\text{ mA}$
 (6) $I_B = 6.5\text{ mA}$
 (7) $I_B = 5.2\text{ mA}$
 (8) $I_B = 3.9\text{ mA}$
 (9) $I_B = 2.6\text{ mA}$
 (10) $I_B = 1.3\text{ mA}$

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



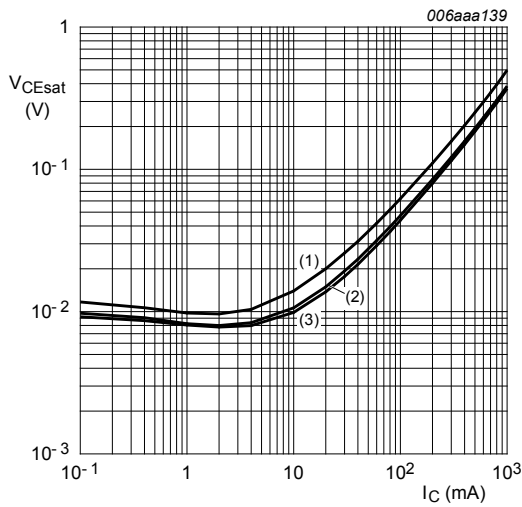
$V_{CE} = 1\text{ V}$
 (1) $T_{amb} = 150\text{ °C}$
 (2) $T_{amb} = 25\text{ °C}$
 (3) $T_{amb} = -55\text{ °C}$

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



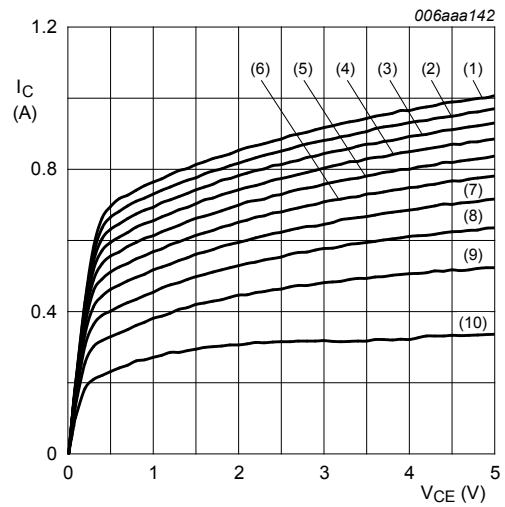
$I_C/I_B = 10$
 (1) $T_{amb} = -55\text{ °C}$
 (2) $T_{amb} = 25\text{ °C}$
 (3) $T_{amb} = 150\text{ °C}$

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



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

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



$T_{amb} = 25\text{ °C}$
 (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

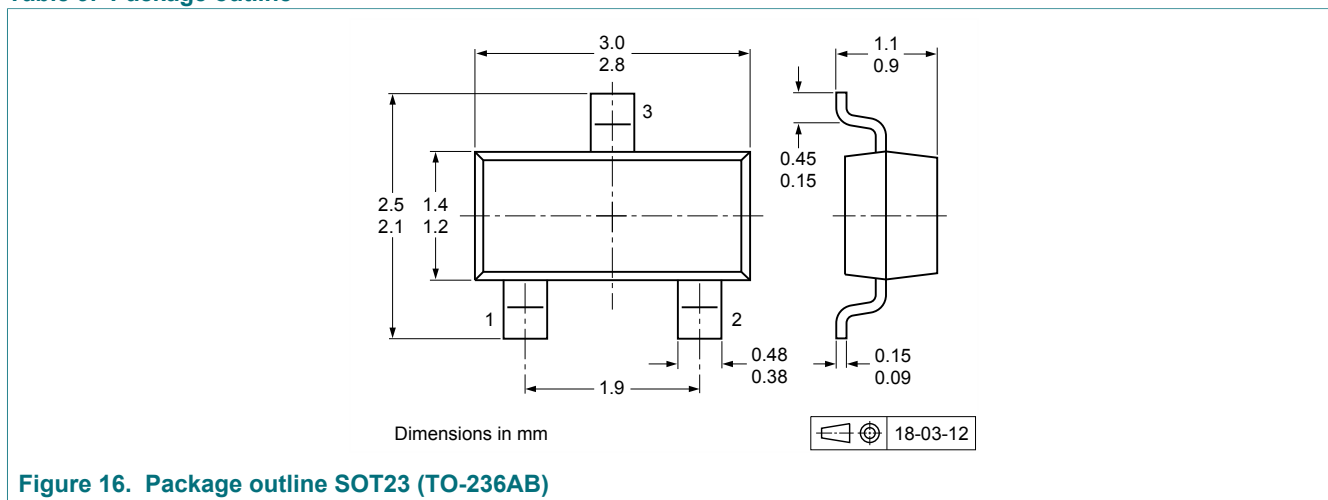
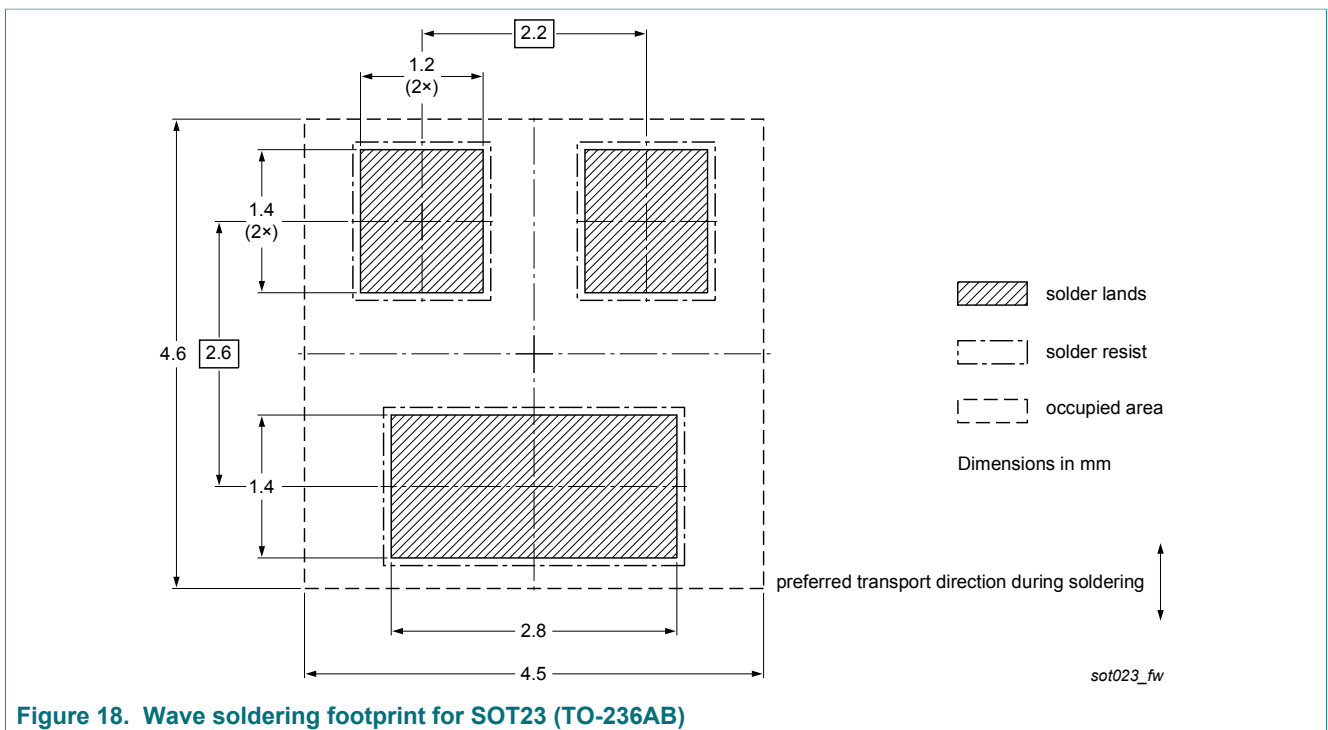
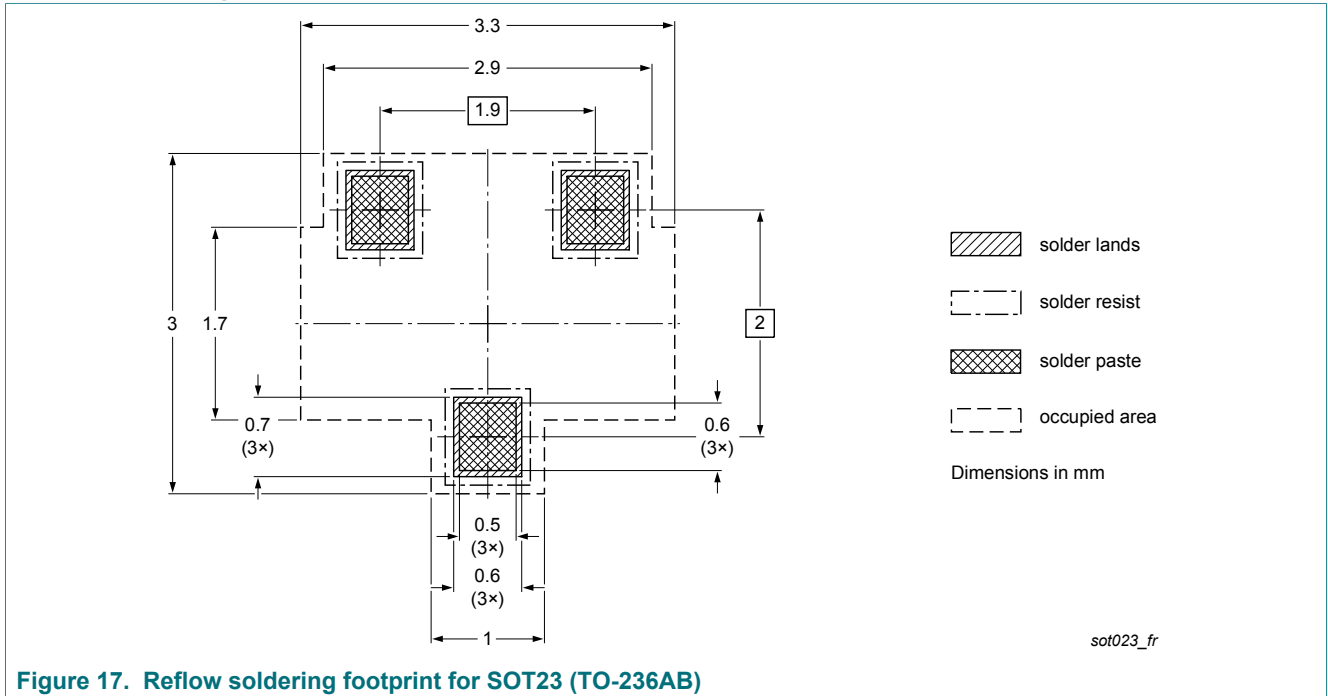


Figure 16. Package outline SOT23 (TO-236AB)

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 			
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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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