

BC817 series

45 V, 500 mA NPN general-purpose transistors

Rev. 8 — 1 July 2022 Product data sheet

1. General description

NPN general-purpose transistor in a small SOT23 (TO-236AB) 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

2. Features and benefits

- High current
- Three current gain selections

3. Applications

- General-purpose switching and amplification

4. Quick reference data

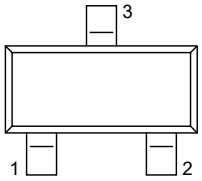
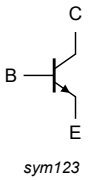
Table 2. Quick reference data

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

[1] pulsed; $t_p \leq 300$ µs; $\delta \leq 0.02$

5. Pinning information

Table 3. Pinning

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

6. Ordering information

Table 4. Ordering information

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

7. Marking

Table 5. Marking

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

[1] % = placeholder for manufacturing site code

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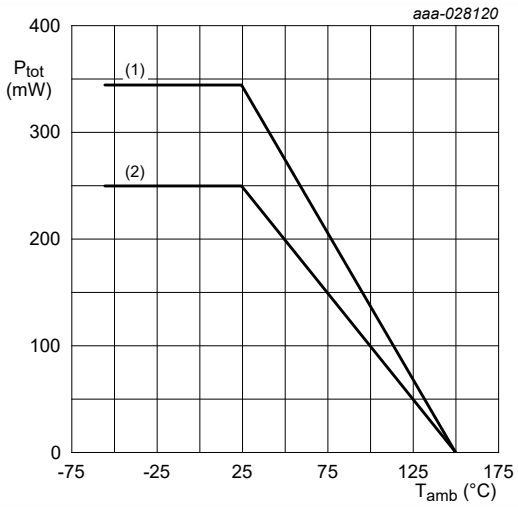
8. Limiting values

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; T_{amb} = 25 °C		-	50	V
V_{CEO}	collector-emitter voltage	open base; T_{amb} = 25 °C		-	45	V
V_{EBO}	emitter-base voltage	open collector; T_{amb} = 25 °C		-	5	V
I_C	collector current	T_{amb} = 25 °C		-	500	mA
I_{CM}	peak collector current	single pulse; $t_p \leq 1$ ms; T_{amb} = 25 °C		-	1	A
I_{BM}	peak base current	single pulse; $t_p \leq 1$ ms; T_{amb} = 25 °C		-	200	mA
P_{tot}	total power dissipation	$T_{amb} \leq 25$ °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 PCB, single-sided copper, tin-plated and standard footprint.
[2] Valid for all available selection groups.
[3] Device mounted on an FR4 PCB, single-sided copper, tin-plated; mounting pad for collector 1 cm^2.



(1) FFR4 PCB, single-sided copper; 1 cm^2
(2) FR4 PCB, single-sided copper; standard footprint

Fig. 1. Power derating curves

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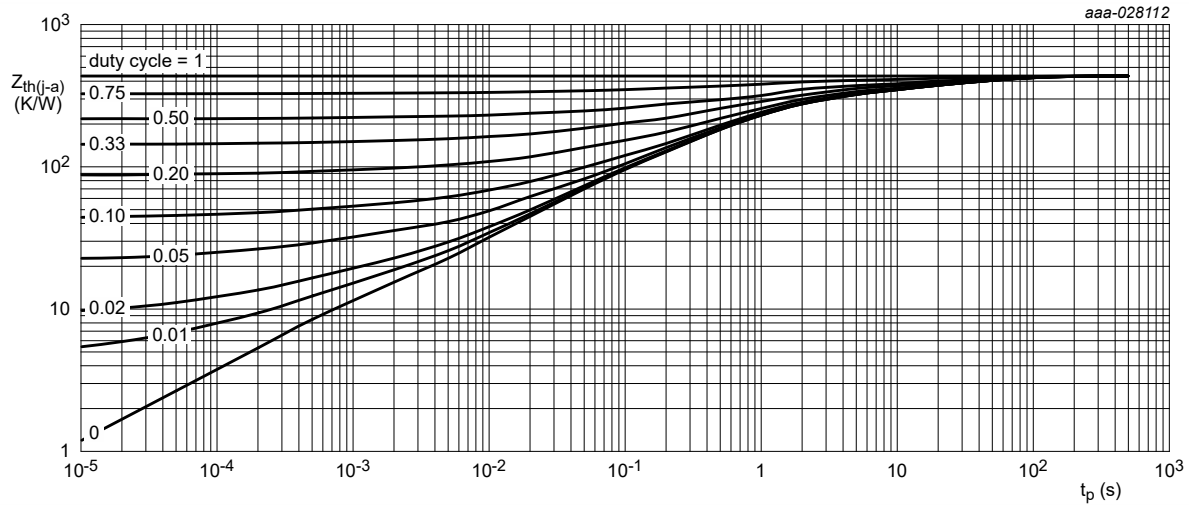
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9. Thermal characteristics

Table 7. Thermal characteristics

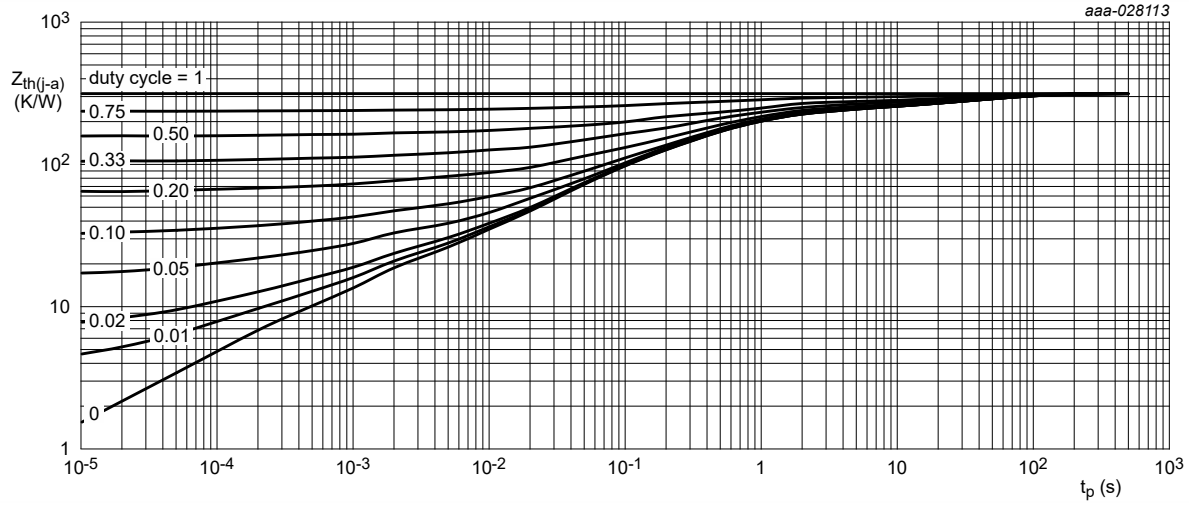
Symbol	Parameter	Conditions		Min	Typ	Max	Unit
$R_{th(j-a)}$	thermal resistance from junction to ambient	in free air	[1] [2]	-	-	500	K/W
			[3] [2]	-	-	362	K/W

[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 PCB, single-sided copper, tin-plated; monting pad for collector 1 cm^2.



FR4 PCB, single-sided, tin-plated and standard footprint

Fig. 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 cm^2.

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

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10. Characteristics

Table 8. Characteristics

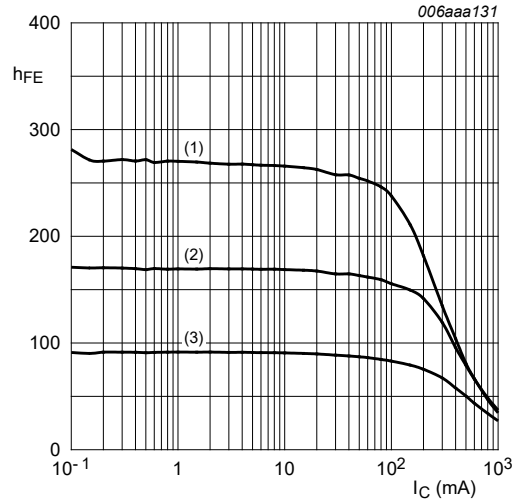
Symbol	Parameter	Conditions		Min	Typ	Max	Unit
$V_{(BR)CBO}$	collector-base breakdown voltage	I_C = 100 µA; I_E = 0 A; T_{amb} = 25 °C		50	-	-	V
$V_{(BR)CEO}$	collector-emitter breakdown voltage	I_C = 10 mA; I_E = 0 A; T_{amb} = 25 °C		45	-	-	V
$V_{(BR)EBO}$	emitter-base breakdown voltage	I_E = 100 µA;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

[1] pulsed; $t_p \leq 300$ µs; $\delta \leq 0.02$

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

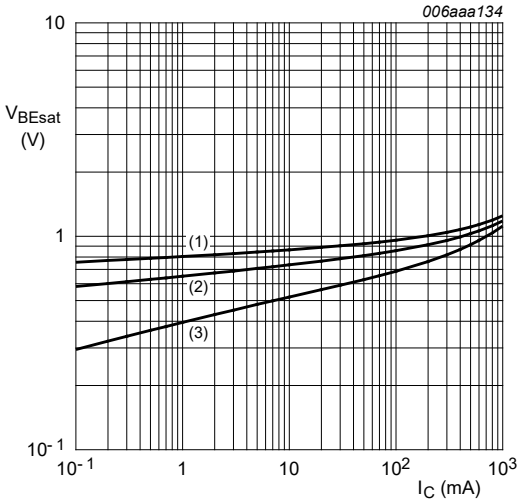
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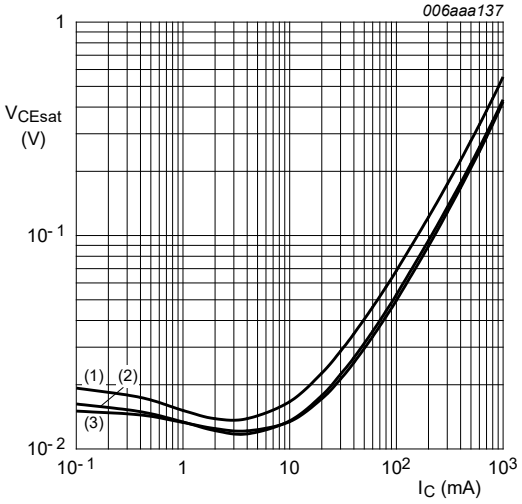
V_{CE} = 1 V
(1) T_{amb} = 150 °C
(2) T_{amb} = 25 °C
(3) T_{amb} = -55 °C

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



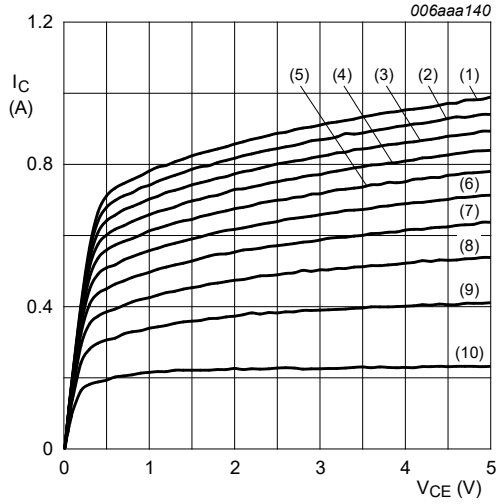
IC/IB = 10
(1) T_{amb} = -55 °C
(2) T_{amb} = 25 °C
(3) T_{amb} = 150 °C

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



IC/IB = 10
(1) T_{amb} = 150 °C
(2) T_{amb} = 25 °C
(3) T_{amb} = -55 °C

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

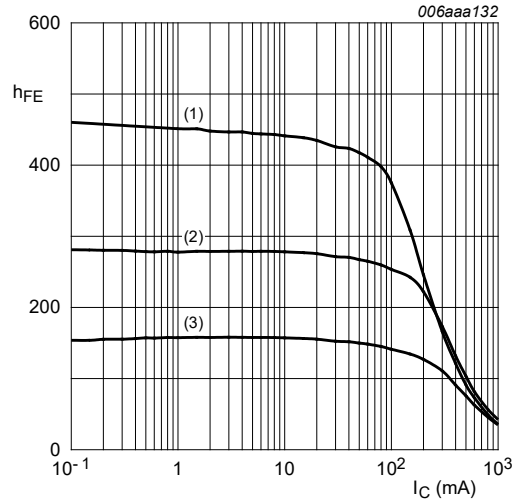


T_{amb} = 25 °C
(1) I_B = 16.0 mA
(2) I_B = 14.4 mA
(3) I_B = 12.8 mA
(4) I_B = 11.2 mA
(5) I_B = 9.6 mA
(6) I_B = 8.0 mA
(7) I_B = 6.4 mA
(8) I_B = 4.8 mA
(9) I_B = 3.2 mA
(10) I_B = 1.6 mA

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

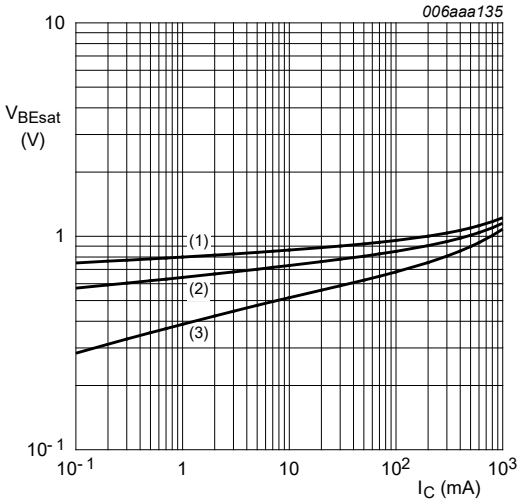
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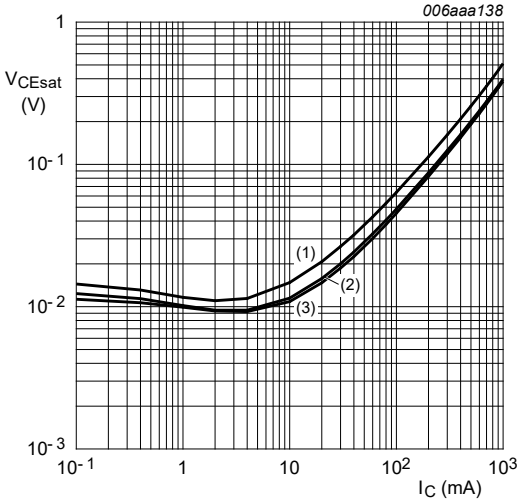
V_{CE} = 1 V
(1) T_{amb} = 150 °C
(2) T_{amb} = 25 °C
(3) T_{amb} = -55 °C

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



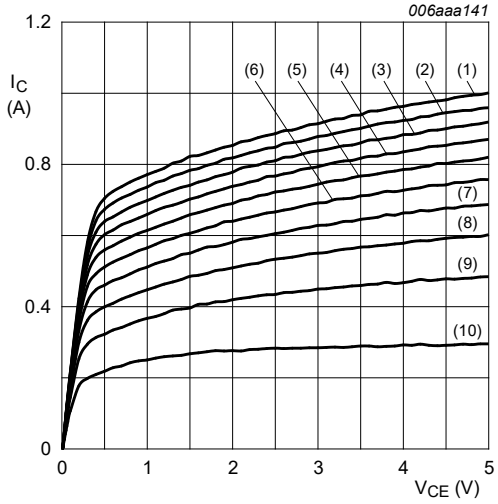
IC/IB = 10
(1) T_{amb} = -55 °C
(2) T_{amb} = 25 °C
(3) T_{amb} = 150 °C

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



IC/IB = 10
(1) T_{amb} = 150 °C
(2) T_{amb} = 25 °C
(3) T_{amb} = -55 °C

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

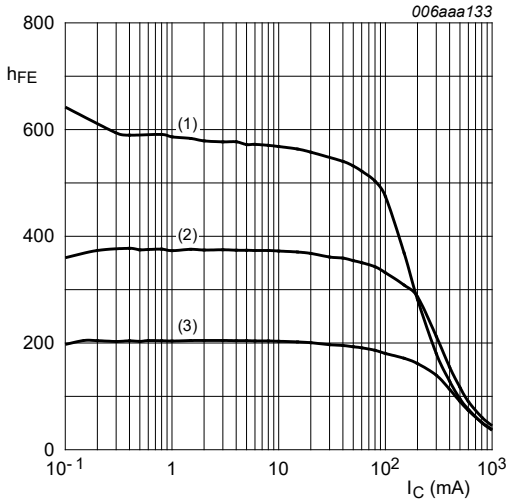


T_{amb} = 25 °C
(1) I_B = 13.0 mA
(2) I_B = 11.7 mA
(3) I_B = 10.4 mA
(4) I_B = 9.1 mA
(5) I_B = 7.8 mA
(6) I_B = 6.5 mA
(7) I_B = 5.2 mA
(8) I_B = 3.9 mA
(9) I_B = 2.6 mA
(10) I_B = 1.3 mA

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

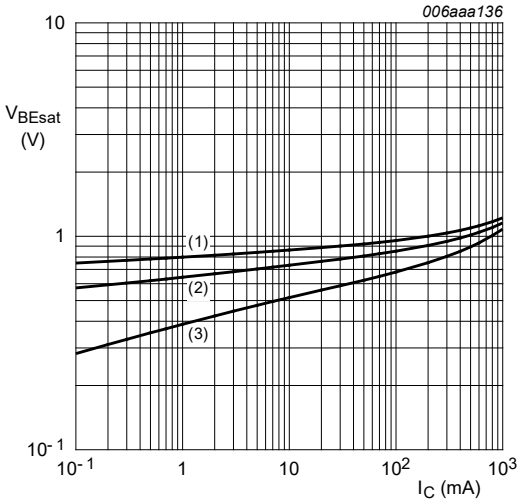
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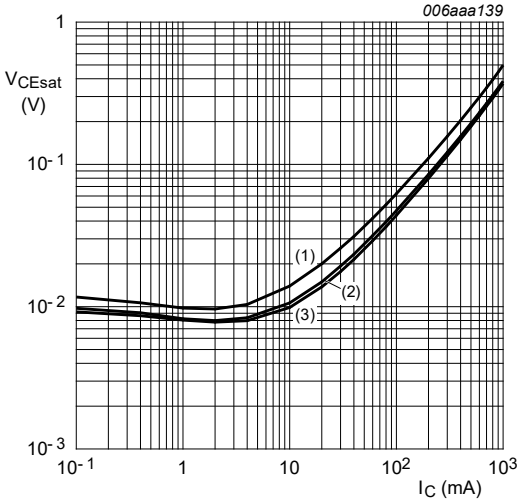
V_{CE} = 1 V
(1) T_{amb} = 150 °C
(2) T_{amb} = 25 °C
(3) T_{amb} = -55 °C

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



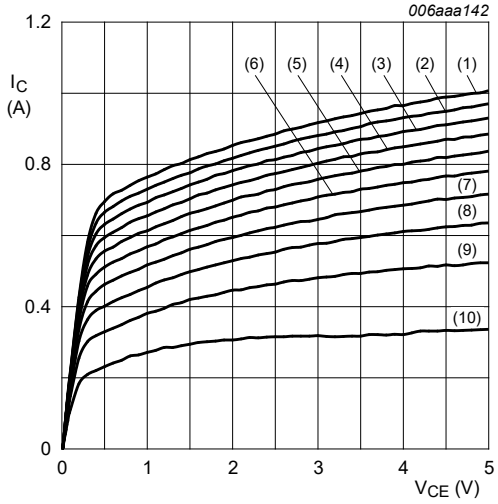
IC/IB = 10
(1) T_{amb} = -55 °C
(2) T_{amb} = 25 °C
(3) T_{amb} = 150 °C

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



IC/IB = 10
(1) T_{amb} = 150 °C
(2) T_{amb} = 25 °C
(3) T_{amb} = -55 °C

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



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

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

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11. Package outline

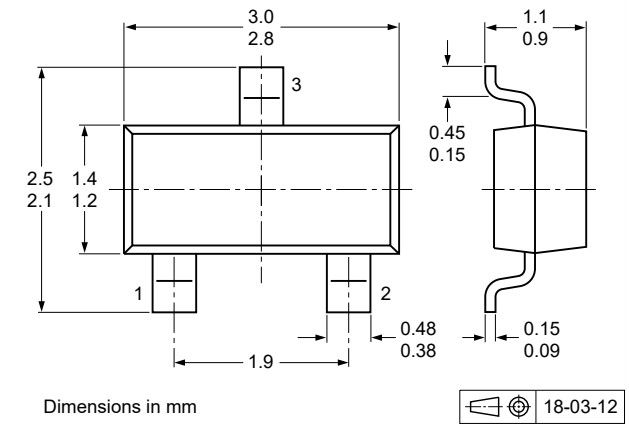


Fig. 16. Package outline SOT23 (TO-236AB)

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12. Soldering

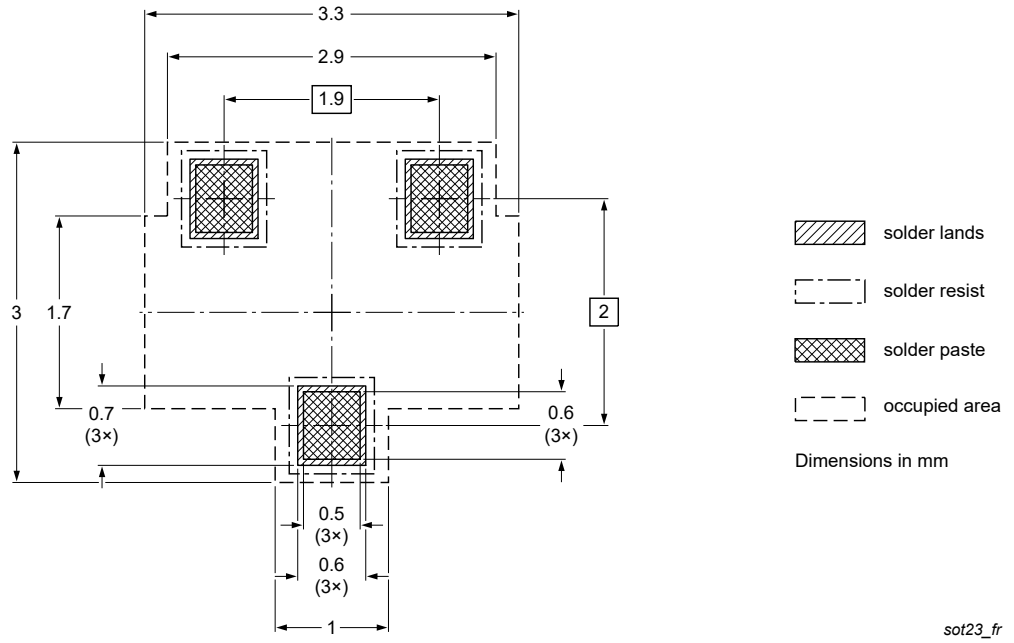


Fig. 17. Reflow soldering footprint for SOT23 (TO-236AB)

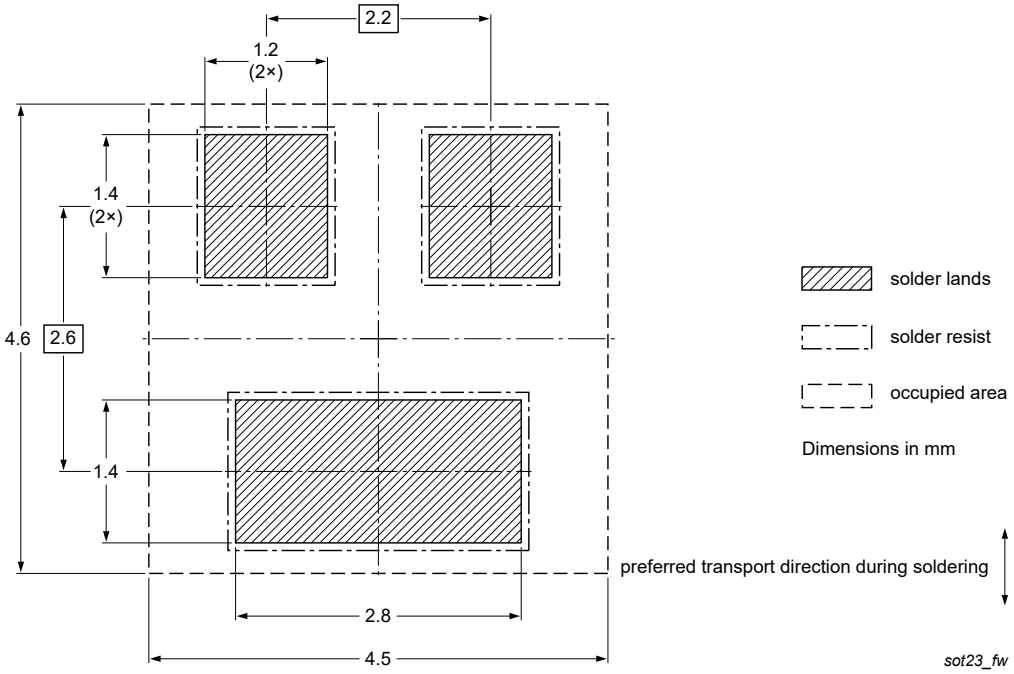


Fig. 18. Wave soldering footprint for SOT23 (TO-236AB)

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13. Revision history

Table 9. Revision history

Data sheet ID	Release date	Data sheet status	Change notice	Supersedes
BC817_SER v.8	20220701	Product data sheet	-	BC817_SER v.7
Modifications:	• Product(s) changed to non-automotive qualification. Please refer to nexperia.com for automotive (-Q) product alternative(s).			
BC817_SER v.7	20180615	Product data sheet	-	BC817_BC817W_BC327 v.6
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 v.4 BC337 v.3
BC817 v.4	20040116	Product Specification	-	BC817 v.3
BC817W_SER v.4	19990518	Product Specification	-	BC817W_SER v.3
BC337 v.3	19990415	Product Specification	-	BC337_338_CNV v.2

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