



# BC856-Q; BC857-Q; BC858-Q

65 V, 100 mA PNP general-purpose transistors

Rev. 1 — 24 June 2021

Product data sheet

## 1. General description

PNP general-purpose transistors in a small SOT23 (TO-236AB), Surface-Mounted Device (SMD) plastic package.

Table 1. Product overview

| Type number | Package  |          | NPN complement |
|-------------|----------|----------|----------------|
|             | Nexperia | JEDEC    |                |
| BC856-Q     | SOT23    | TO-236AB | BC846-Q        |
| BC856A-Q    |          |          | BC846A-Q       |
| BC856B-Q    |          |          | BC846B-Q       |
| BC857-Q     |          |          | BC847-Q        |
| BC857A-Q    |          |          | BC847A-Q       |
| BC857B-Q    |          |          | BC847B-Q       |
| BC857C-Q    |          |          | BC847C-Q       |
| BC858B-Q    |          |          | BC848B-Q       |

## 2. Features and benefits

- Low current (max. 100 mA)
- Low voltage (max. 65 V)
- Qualified according to AEC-Q101 and recommended for use in automotive applications

## 3. Applications

- General-purpose switching and amplification

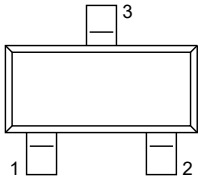
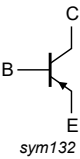
## 4. Quick reference data

**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                                |     |     |      |      |
|           | BC856-Q                        |  | -   | -   | -65  | V    |
|           | BC857-Q                        |  | -   | -   | -45  | V    |
|           | BC858B-Q                       |  | -   | -   | -30  | V    |
| $I_C$     | collector current              |  | -   | -   | -100 | mA   |
| $I_{CM}$  | peak collector current         |  | -   | -   | -200 | mA   |
| $h_{FE}$  | DC current gain                |  |     |     |      |      |
|           | BC856-Q                        | $V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}; I_C = 2\text{ mA}$ | 125 | -   | 475  |      |
|           | BC857-Q                        |  | 125 | -   | 800  |      |
|           | BC856A-Q; BC857A-Q             |  | 125 | -   | 250  |      |
|           | BC856-Q; BC857B-Q;<br>BC858B-Q |  | 220 | -   | 475  |      |
|           | BC857C-Q                       |  | 420 | -   | 800  |      |

## 5. Pinning information

**Table 3. Pinning information**

| Pin | Symbol | Description | Simplified outline   | Graphic symbol  |
|-----|--------|-------------|--|---|
| 1   | B      | base        |  | <br>sym132 |
| 2   | E      | emitter     |  |   |
| 3   | C      | collector   |  |   |

## 6. Ordering information

**Table 4. Ordering information**

| Type number | Package  |  | Version |
|-------------|----------|--|---------|
|             | Name     | Description                              |         |
| BC856-Q     | TO-236AB | plastic surface-mounted package; 3 leads | SOT23   |
| BC856A-Q    |          |  |         |
| BC856B-Q    |          |  |         |
| BC857-Q     |          |  |         |
| BC857A-Q    |          |  |         |
| BC857B-Q    |          |  |         |
| BC857C-Q    |          |  |         |
| BC858B-Q    |          |  |         |

## 7. Marking

Table 5. Marking codes

| Type number |     | Marking code |
|-------------|-----|--------------|
| BC856-Q     | [1] | 3D%          |
| BC856A-Q    | [1] | 3A%          |
| BC856B-Q    | [1] | 3B%          |
| BC857-Q     | [1] | 3H%          |
| BC857A-Q    | [1] | 3E%          |
| BC857B-Q    | [1] | 3F%          |
| BC857C-Q    | [1] | 3G%          |
| BC858B-Q    | [1] | 3K%          |

[1] % = placeholder for manufacturing site code

## 8. Limiting values

Table 6. Limiting values

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

| Symbol           | Parameter                 | Conditions               | Min | Max  | Unit |
|------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|-----|------|------|
| V <sub>CBO</sub> | collector-base voltage    | open emitter             |     |      |      |
|                  | BC856-Q                   |                          | -   | -80  | V    |
|                  | BC857-Q                   |                          | -   | -50  | V    |
|                  | BC858B-Q                  |                          | -   | -30  | V    |
| V <sub>CEO</sub> | collector-emitter voltage | open base                |     |      |      |
|                  | BC856-Q                   |                          | -   | -65  | V    |
|                  | BC857-Q                   |                          | -   | -45  | V    |
|                  | BC858B-Q                  |                          | -   | -30  | V    |
| V <sub>EBO</sub> | emitter-base voltage      | open collector           | -   | -5   | V    |
| I <sub>C</sub>   | collector current         |                          | -   | -100 | mA   |
| I <sub>CM</sub>  | peak collector current    |                          | -   | -200 | mA   |
| I <sub>BM</sub>  | peak base current         |                          | -   | -200 | mA   |
| P <sub>tot</sub> | total power dissipation   | T <sub>amb</sub> ≤ 25 °C | [1] | 250  | mW   |
| T <sub>j</sub>   | junction temperature      |                          | -   | 150  | °C   |
| T <sub>amb</sub> | ambient temperature       |                          | -65 | 150  | °C   |
| T <sub>stg</sub> | storage temperature       |                          | -65 | 150  | °C   |

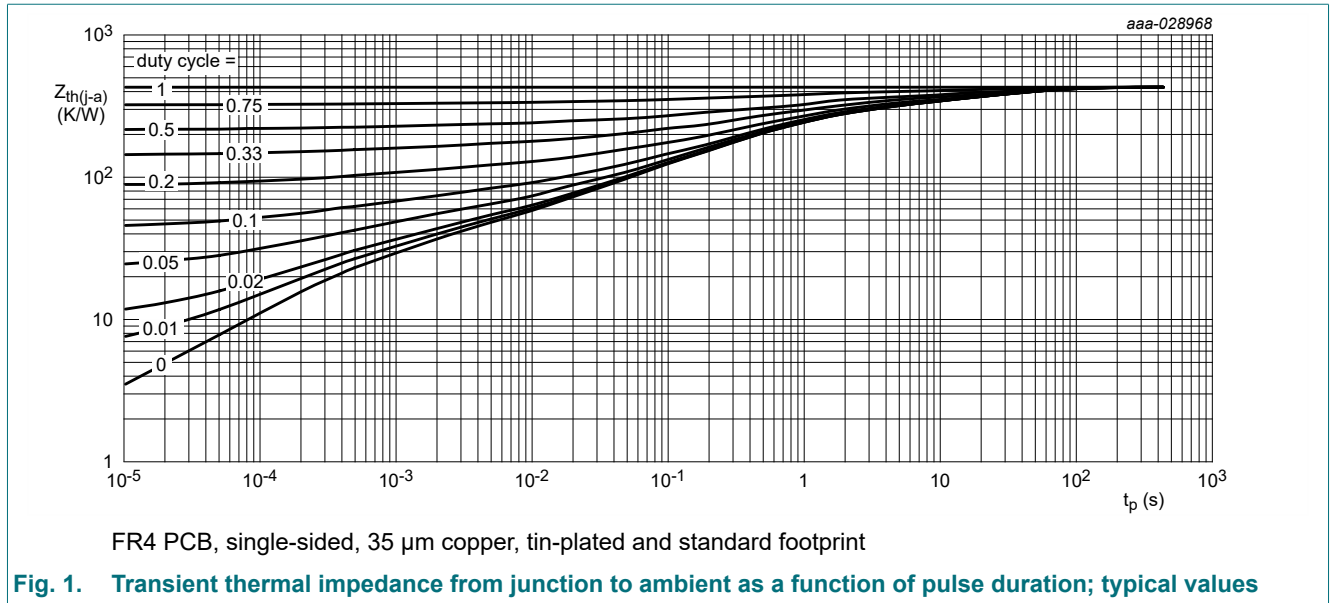
[1] Device mounted on an FR4 Printed-Circuit Board (PCB), single-sided, 35 µm copper, tin-plated and standard footprint.

## 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] | -   | 500 | K/W  |

[1] Device mounted on an FR4 PCB; single-sided, 35  $\mu$ m copper; tin-plated and standard footprint.

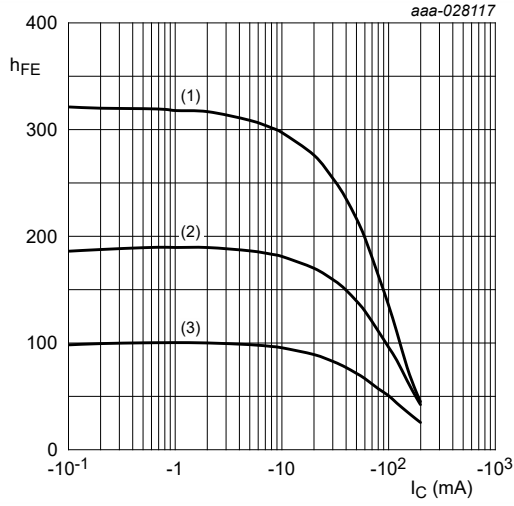


## 10. Characteristics

**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     |  |   |      |      |               |
|               | BC856-Q                              | $I_C = -100\ \mu\text{A}; I_E = 0\ \text{A}$   | -80   | -    | -    | V             |
|               | BC857-Q                              |  | -50   | -    | -    | V             |
|               | BC858B-Q                             |  | -30   | -    | -    | V             |
| $V_{(BR)CEO}$ | collector-emitter breakdown voltage  |  |   |      |      |               |
|               | BC856-Q                              | $I_C = -2\ \text{mA}; I_B = 0\ \text{A}$   | -65   | -    | -    | V             |
|               | BC857-Q                              |  | -45   | -    | -    | V             |
|               | BC858B-Q                             |  | -30   | -    | -    | V             |
| $V_{(BR)EBO}$ | emitter-base breakdown voltage       | $I_C = 0\ \text{A}; I_E = -100\ \mu\text{A}$   | -5  | -    | -    | V             |
| $I_{CBO}$     | collector-base cut-off current       | $V_{CB} = -30\ \text{V}; I_E = 0\ \text{A}$  | -   | -1   | -15  | nA            |
|               |                                      | $V_{CB} = -30\ \text{V}; I_E = 0\ \text{A}; T_j = 150\text{ °C}$   | -   | -    | -4   | $\mu\text{A}$ |
| $I_{EBO}$     | emitter-base cut-off current         | $V_{EB} = -5\ \text{V}; I_C = 0\ \text{A}$   | -   | -    | -100 | nA            |
| $h_{FE}$      | DC current gain                      |  |   |      |      |               |
|               | BC856-Q                              | $V_{CE} = -5\ \text{V}; I_C = -2\ \text{mA}$   | 125   | -    | 475  |               |
|               | BC857-Q                              |  | 125   | -    | 800  |               |
|               | BC856A-Q; BC857A-Q                   |  | 125   | -    | 250  |               |
|               | BC856-Q; BC857B-Q; BC858B-Q          |  | 220   | -    | 475  |               |
|               | BC857C-Q                             |  | 420   | -    | 800  |               |
| $V_{CEsat}$   | collector-emitter saturation voltage |  | $I_C = -10\ \text{mA}; I_B = -0.5\ \text{mA}$ | -    | -75  | -300          |
|               |                                      | $I_C = -100\ \text{mA}; I_B = -5\ \text{mA}$   | [1]   | -250 | -650 | mV            |
| $V_{BEsat}$   | base-emitter saturation voltage      | $I_C = -10\ \text{mA}; I_B = -0.5\ \text{mA}$  | [1]   | -700 | -    | mV            |
|               |                                      | $I_C = -100\ \text{mA}; I_B = -5\ \text{mA}$   | [1]   | -850 | -    | mV            |
| $V_{BE}$      | base-emitter voltage                 | $V_{CE} = -5\ \text{V}; I_C = -2\ \text{mA}$   | -600  | -650 | -750 | mV            |
|               |                                      | $V_{CE} = -5\ \text{V}; I_C = -10\ \text{mA}$  | -   | -    | -820 | mV            |
| $C_c$         | collector capacitance                | $V_{CB} = -10\ \text{V}; I_E = i_e = 0\ \text{A}; f = 1\ \text{MHz}$   | -   | 4.5  | -    | pF            |
| $f_T$         | transition frequency                 | $V_{CE} = -5\ \text{V}; I_C = -10\ \text{mA}; f = 100\ \text{MHz}$   | 100   | -    | -    | MHz           |
| NF            | noise figure                         | $I_C = -200\ \mu\text{A}; V_{CE} = -5\ \text{V}; R_S = 2\ \text{k}\Omega; f = 1\ \text{kHz}; B = 200\text{Hz}$ | -   | 2    | 10   | dB            |

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



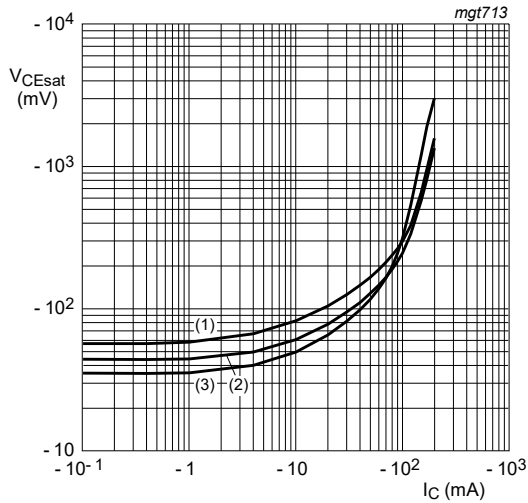
$V_{CE} = -5\text{ V}$   
 (1)  $T_{amb} = 150\text{ °C}$   
 (2)  $T_{amb} = 25\text{ °C}$   
 (3)  $T_{amb} = -55\text{ °C}$

Fig. 2. BC856A-Q; BC857A-Q: DC current gain as a function of collector current; typical values



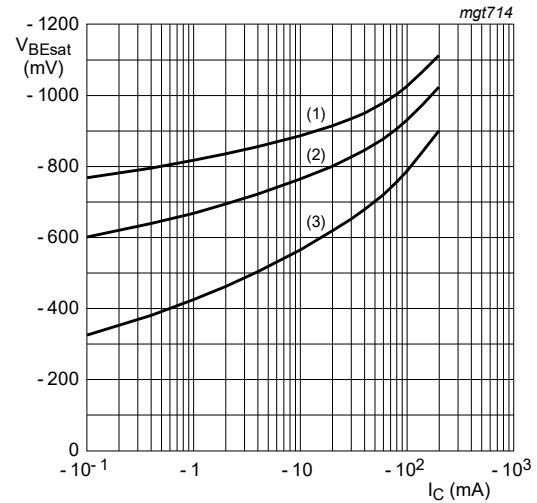
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 (2)  $T_{amb} = 25\text{ °C}$   
 (3)  $T_{amb} = 150\text{ °C}$

Fig. 3. BC856A-Q; BC857A-Q: Base-emitter voltage as a function of collector current; typical values



$I_C/I_B = 20$   
 (1)  $T_{amb} = 150\text{ °C}$   
 (2)  $T_{amb} = 25\text{ °C}$   
 (3)  $T_{amb} = -55\text{ °C}$

Fig. 4. BC856A-Q; BC857A-Q: Collector-emitter saturation voltage as a function of collector current; typical values



$I_C/I_B = 20$   
 (1)  $T_{amb} = -55\text{ °C}$   
 (2)  $T_{amb} = 25\text{ °C}$   
 (3)  $T_{amb} = 150\text{ °C}$

Fig. 5. BC856A-Q; BC857A-Q: Base-emitter saturation voltage as a function of collector current; typical values



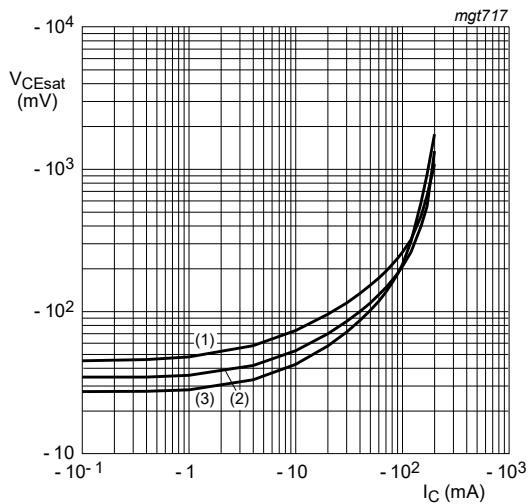
$V_{CE} = -5\text{ V}$   
 (1)  $T_{amb} = 150\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$   
 (2)  $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$   
 (3)  $T_{amb} = -55\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$

Fig. 6. BC856B-Q; BC857B-Q; BC858B-Q: DC current gain as a function of collector current; typical values



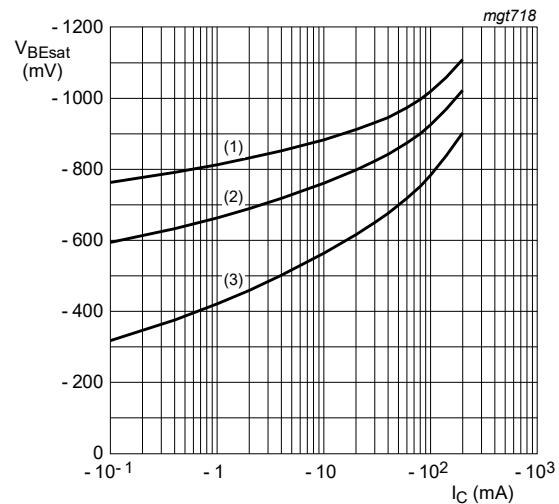
$V_{CE} = -5\text{ V}$   
 (1)  $T_{amb} = -55\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$   
 (2)  $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$   
 (3)  $T_{amb} = 150\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$

Fig. 7. BC856B-Q; BC857B-Q; BC858B-Q: Base-emitter voltage as a function of collector current; typical values



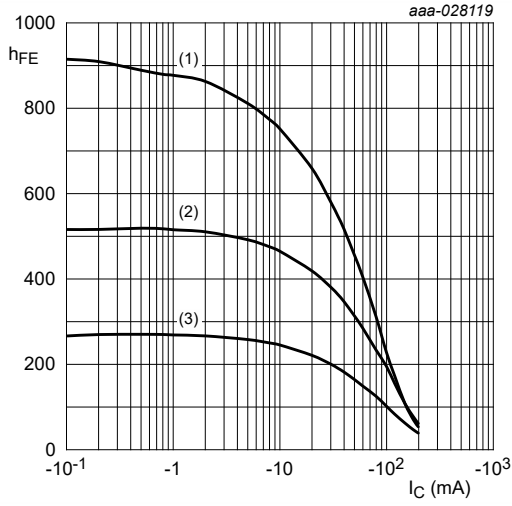
$I_C/I_B = 20$   
 (1)  $T_{amb} = 150\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$   
 (2)  $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$   
 (3)  $T_{amb} = -55\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$

Fig. 8. BC856B-Q; BC857B-Q; BC858B-Q: Collector-emitter saturation voltage as a function of collector current; typical values



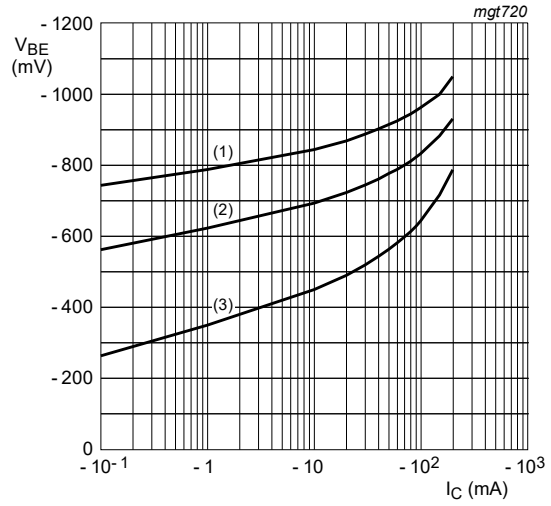
$I_C/I_B = 20$   
 (1)  $T_{amb} = -55\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$   
 (2)  $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$   
 (3)  $T_{amb} = 150\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$

Fig. 9. BC856B-Q; BC857B-Q; BC858B-Q: Base-emitter saturation voltage as a function of collector current; typical values



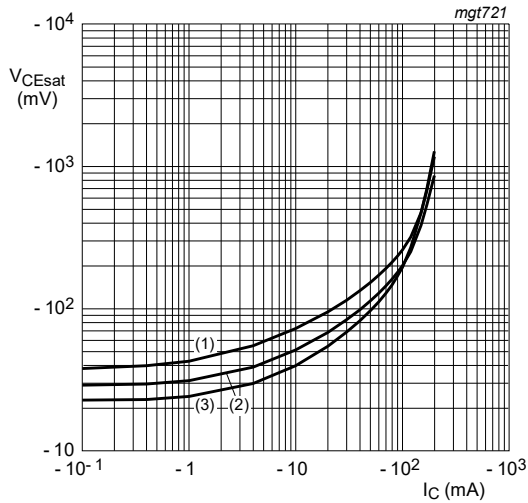
$V_{CE} = -5\text{ V}$   
 (1)  $T_{amb} = 150\text{ °C}$   
 (2)  $T_{amb} = 25\text{ °C}$   
 (3)  $T_{amb} = -55\text{ °C}$

Fig. 10. BC857C-Q: DC current gain as a function of collector current; typical values



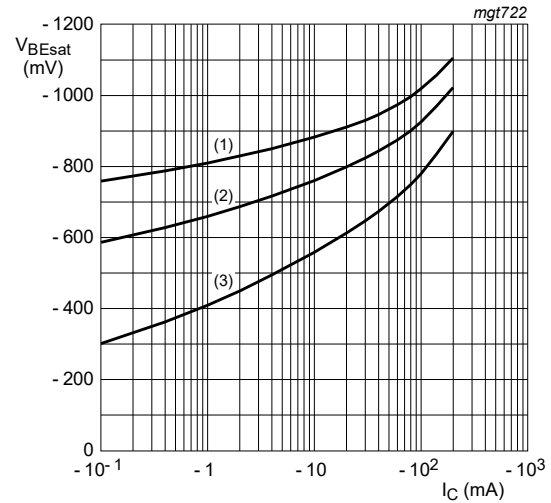
$V_{CE} = -5\text{ V}$   
 (1)  $T_{amb} = -55\text{ °C}$   
 (2)  $T_{amb} = 25\text{ °C}$   
 (3)  $T_{amb} = 150\text{ °C}$

Fig. 11. BC857C-Q: Base-emitter voltage as a function of collector current; typical values



$I_C/I_B = 20$   
 (1)  $T_{amb} = 150\text{ °C}$   
 (2)  $T_{amb} = 25\text{ °C}$   
 (3)  $T_{amb} = -55\text{ °C}$

Fig. 12. BC857C-Q: Collector-emitter saturation voltage as a function of collector current; typical values



$I_C/I_B = 20$   
 (1)  $T_{amb} = -55\text{ °C}$   
 (2)  $T_{amb} = 25\text{ °C}$   
 (3)  $T_{amb} = 150\text{ °C}$

Fig. 13. BC857C-Q: Base-emitter saturation voltage as a function of collector current; typical values



## 11. Test information

### 11.1. 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.

## 12. Package outline

Table 9. Package outline

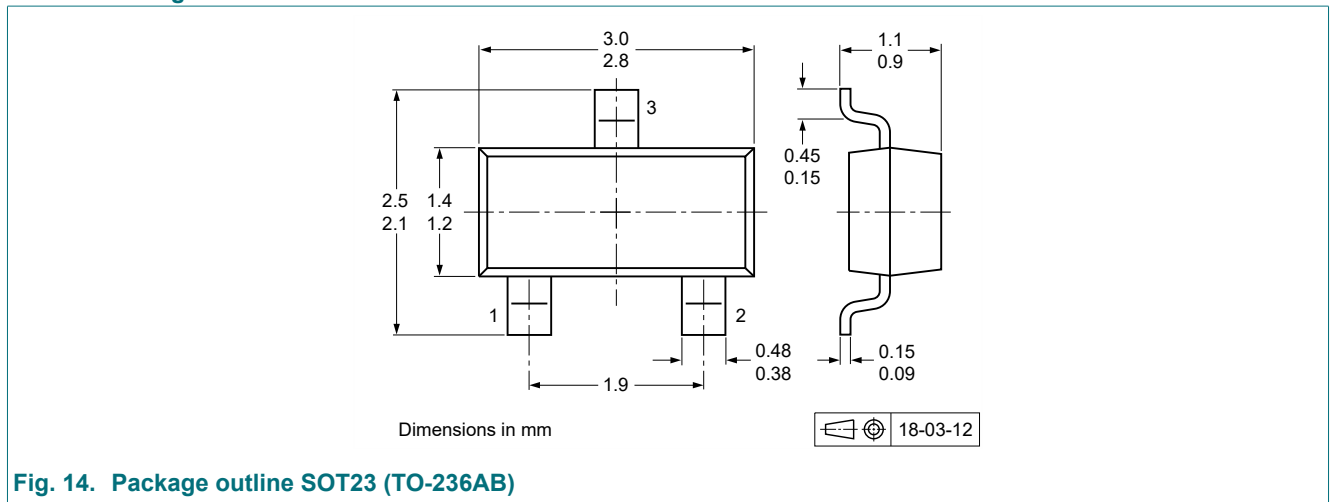


Fig. 14. Package outline SOT23 (TO-236AB)

### 13. Soldering

Table 10. Soldering

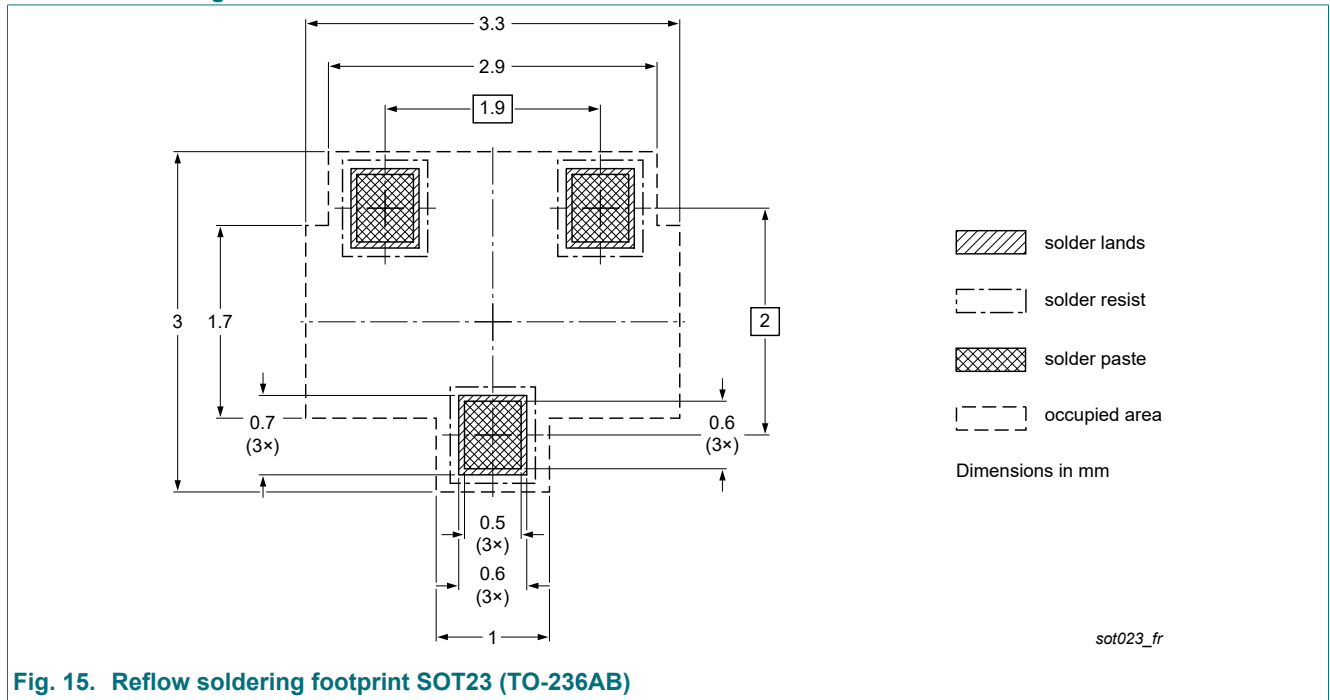


Fig. 15. Reflow soldering footprint SOT23 (TO-236AB)

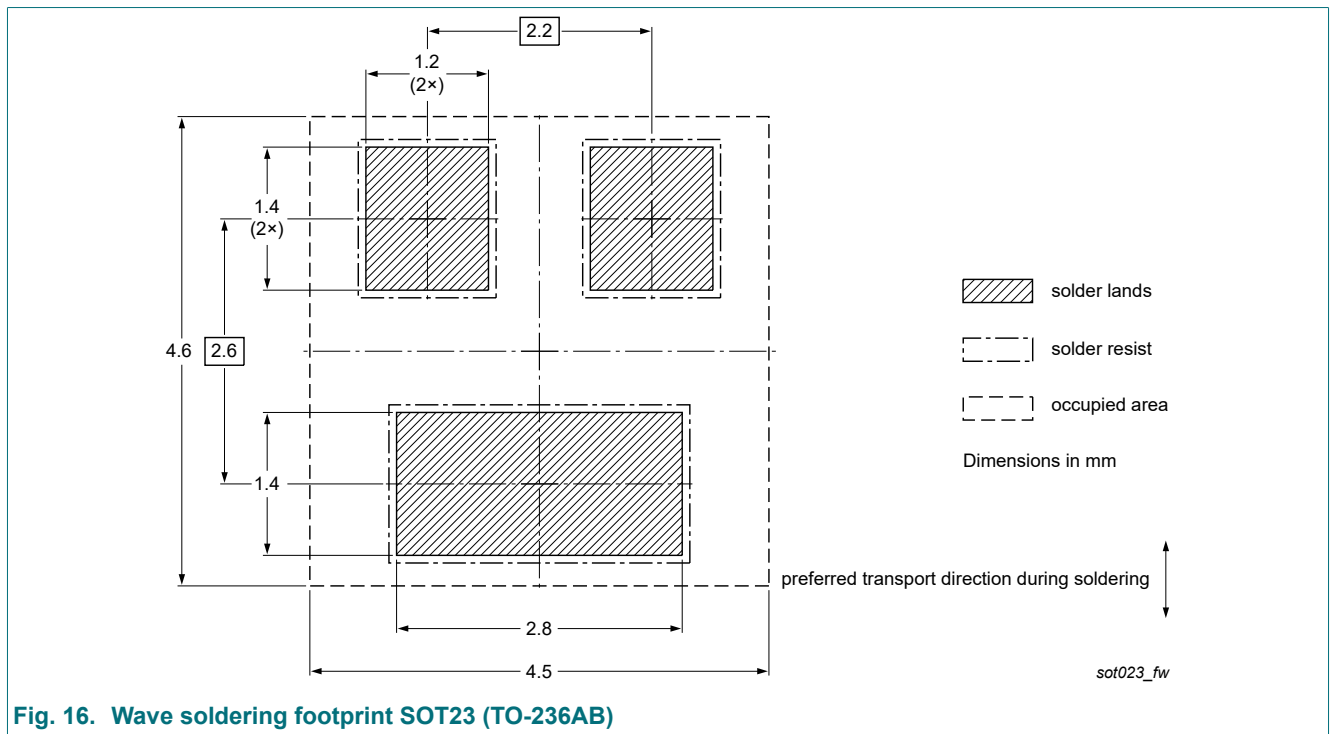


Fig. 16. Wave soldering footprint SOT23 (TO-236AB)

## 14. Revision history

Table 11. Revision history

| Document ID                 | Release date | Data sheet status  | Change notice | Supersedes |
|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------------|---------------|------------|
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