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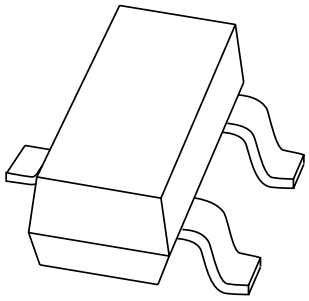

BC856; BC857
PNP general purpose transistors

Product specification
Supersedes data of 1997 Apr 17

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FEATURES

- Low current (max. 100 mA)
- Low voltage (max. 65 V).

APPLICATIONS

- General purpose switching and amplification.

DESCRIPTION

PNP transistor in a SOT23 plastic package.
NPN complements: BC846 and BC847.

MARKING

TYPE NUMBER	MARKING CODE(1)	TYPE NUMBER	MARKING CODE(1)
BC856	3D∗	BC857A	3E∗
BC856A	3A∗	BC857B	3F∗
BC856B	3B∗	BC857C	3G∗
BC857	3H∗		

Note

1. ∗ = p : Made in Hong Kong.
   ∗ = t : Made in Malaysia.

PINNING

PIN	DESCRIPTION
1	base
2	emitter
3	collector

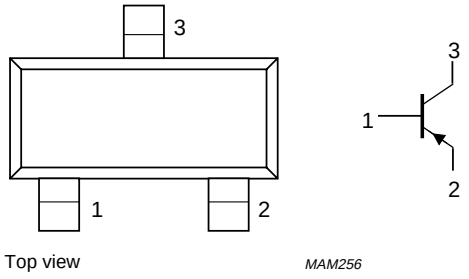


Fig.1 Simplified outline (SOT23) and symbol.

LIMITING VALUES

In accordance with the Absolute Maximum Rating System (IEC 134).

SYMBOL	PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	MIN.	MAX.	UNIT
V_{CBO}	collector-base voltage	open emitter			
	BC856		–	–80	V
	BC857		–	–50	V
V_{CEO}	collector-emitter voltage	open base			
	BC856		–	–65	V
	BC857		–	–45	V
V_{EBO}	emitter-base voltage	open collector	–	–5	V
I_C	collector current (DC)		–	–100	mA
I_{CM}	peak collector current		–	–200	mA
I_{BM}	peak base current		–	–200	mA
P_{tot}	total power dissipation	$T_{amb} \leq 25$ °C; note 1	–	250	mW
T_{stg}	storage temperature		–65	+150	°C
T_j	junction temperature		–	150	°C
T_{amb}	operating ambient temperature		–65	+150	°C

Note

1. Mounted on an FR4 printed-circuit board.

THERMAL CHARACTERISTICS

SYMBOL	PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	VALUE	UNIT
$R_{th\ j\text{-}a}$	thermal resistance from junction to ambient	note 1	500	K/W

Note

1. Mounted on an FR4 printed-circuit board.

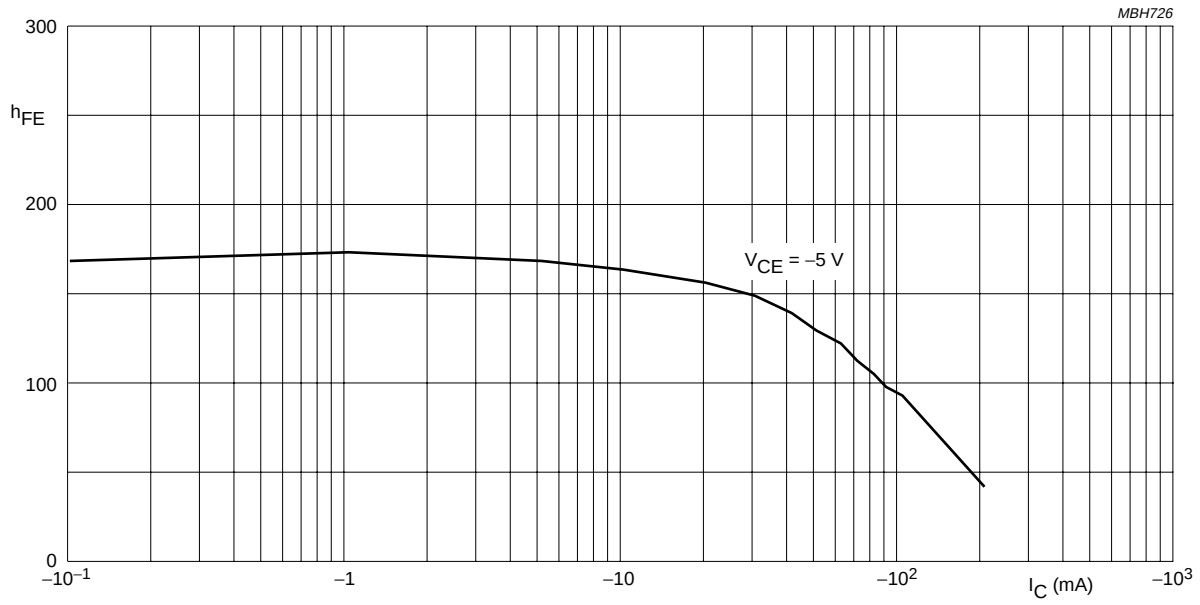
CHARACTERISTICS

T_j = 25 °C unless otherwise specified.

SYMBOL	PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	MIN.	TYP.	MAX.	UNIT
I_{CBO}	collector cut-off current	I_E = 0; V_{CB} = –30 V	–	–1	–15	nA
		I_E = 0; V_{CB} = –30 V; T_j = 150 °C	–	–	–4	µA
I_{EBO}	emitter cut-off current	I_C = 0; V_{EB} = –5 V	–	–	100	nA
h_{FE}	DC current gain	I_C = –2 mA; V_{CE} = –5 V; see Figs 2, 3 and 4				
	BC856		125	–	475	
	BC857		125	–	800	
	BC856A; BC857A		125	–	250	
	BC856B; BC857B		220	–	475	
	BC857C		420	–	800	
V_{CEsat}	collector-emitter saturation voltage	I_C = –10 mA; I_B = –0.5 mA	–	–75	–300	mV
		I_C = –100 mA; I_B = –5 mA	–	–250	–650	mV
V_{BEsat}	base-emitter saturation voltage	I_C = –10 mA; I_B = –0.5 mA; note 1	–	–700	–	mV
		I_C = –100 mA; I_B = –5 mA; note 1	–	–850	–	mV
V_{BE}	base-emitter voltage	I_C = –2 mA; V_{CE} = –5 V; note 2	–600	–650	–750	mV
		I_C = –10 mA; V_{CE} = –5 V; note 2	–	–	–820	mV
C_c	collector capacitance	$I_E = i_e$ = 0; V_{CB} = –10 V; f = 1 MHz	–	4.5	–	pF
f_T	transition frequency	I_C = –10 mA; V_{CE} = –5 V; f = 100 MHz	100	–	–	MHz
F	noise figure	I_C = –200 µA; V_{CE} = –5 V; R_S = 2 kΩ; f = 1 kHz; B = 200 Hz	–	2	10	dB

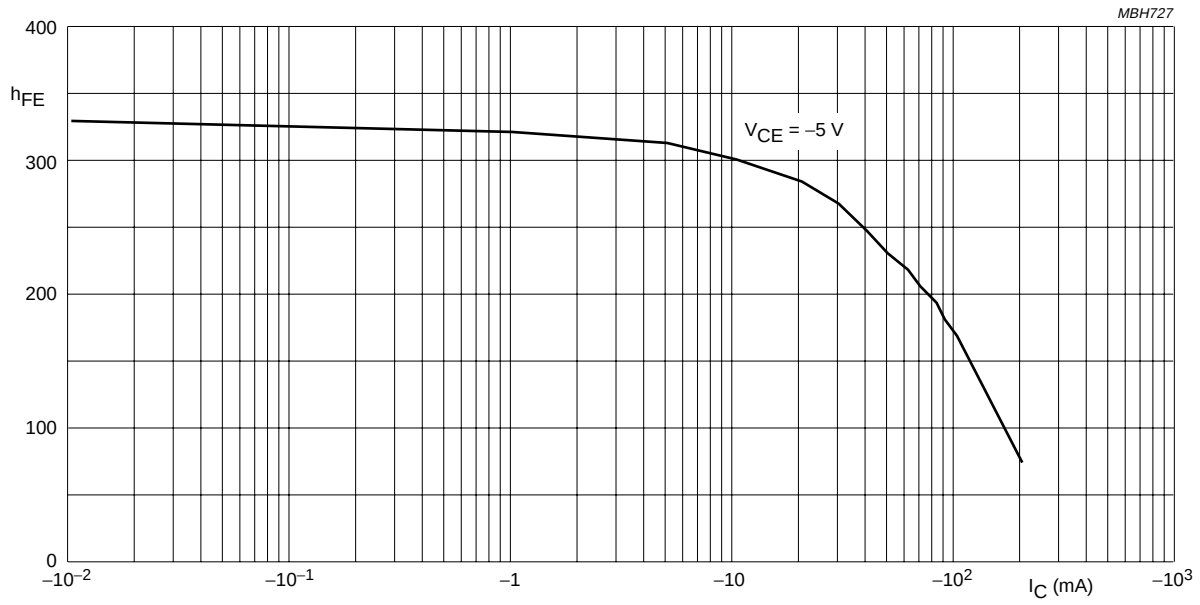
Notes

1. V_{BEsat} decreases by about –1.7 m K/V with increasing temperature.
2. V_{BE} decreases by about –2 mV/K with increasing temperature.



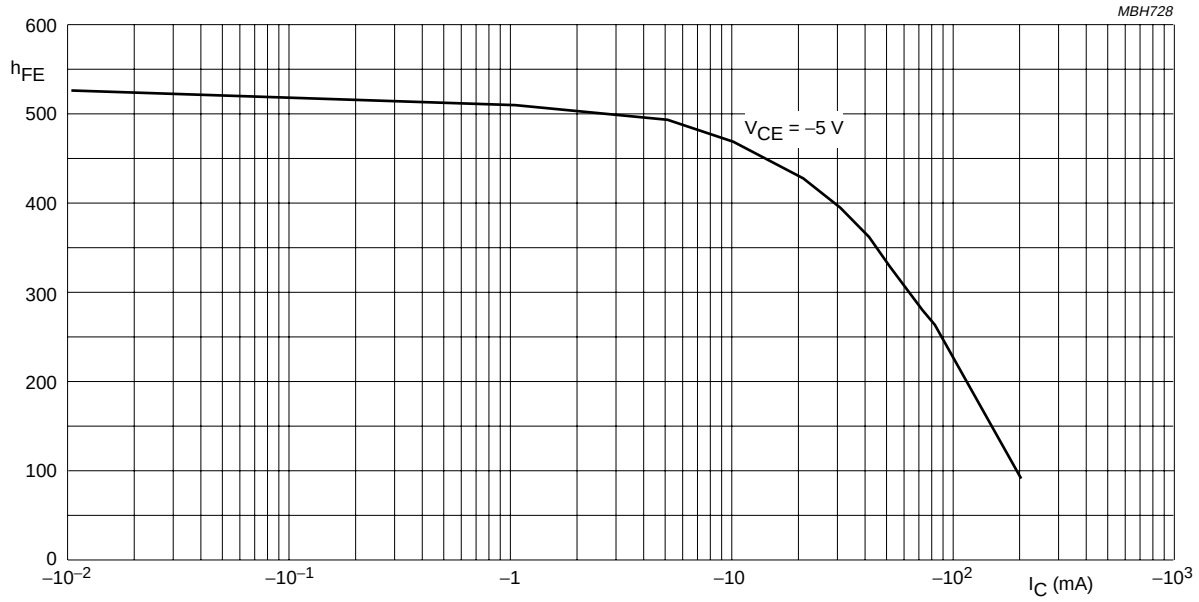
BC856A; BC857A.

Fig.2 DC current gain; typical values.



BC856B; BC857B.

Fig.3 DC current gain; typical values.

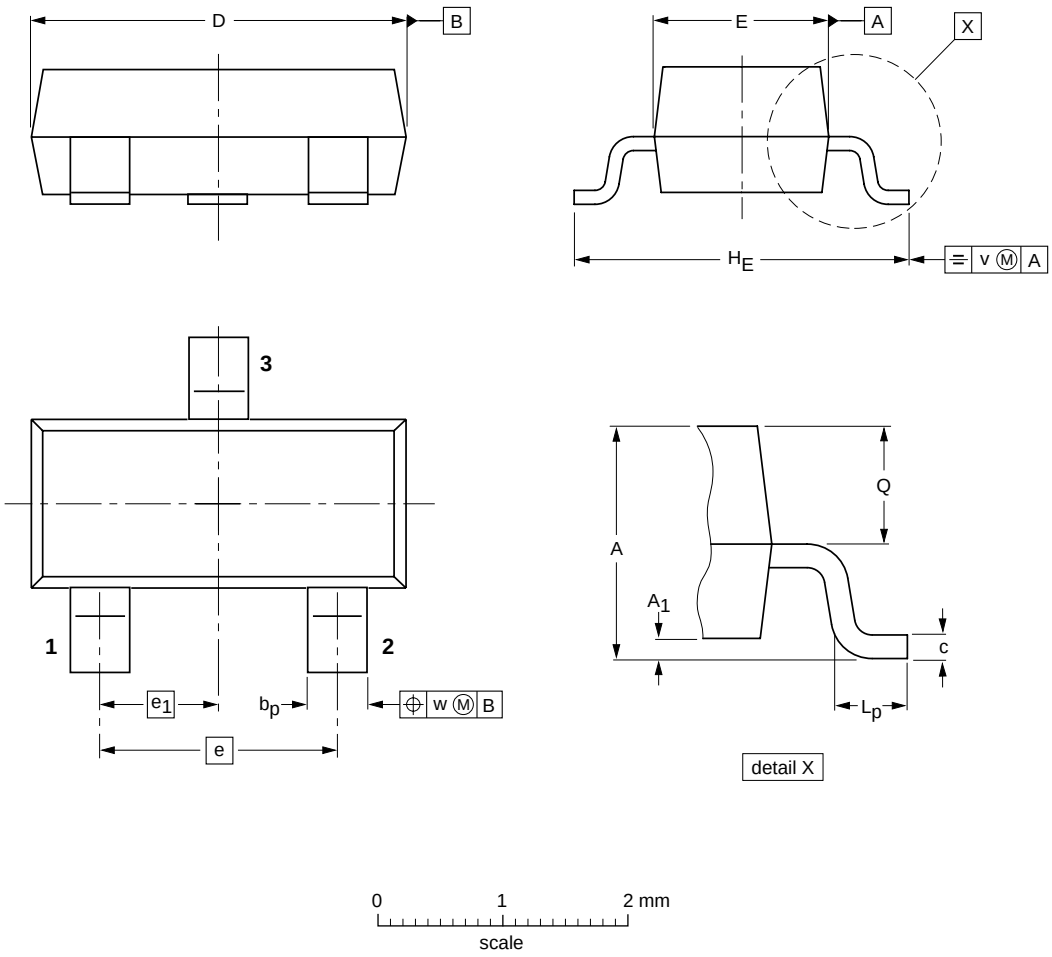


BC857C.

Fig.4 DC current gain; typical values.

PACKAGE OUTLINE

Plastic surface mounted package; 3 leads **SOT23**



DIMENSIONS (mm are the original dimensions)

UNIT	A	A_1 max.	b_p	c	D	E	e	e_1	H_E	L_p	Q	v	w
mm	1.1 0.9	0.1	0.48 0.38	0.15 0.09	3.0 2.8	1.4 1.2	1.9	0.95	2.5 2.1	0.45 0.15	0.55 0.45	0.2	0.1

OUTLINE VERSION	REFERENCES				EUROPEAN PROJECTION	ISSUE DATE
	IEC	JEDEC	EIAJ			
SOT23						97-02-28