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BC850C

NPN general purpose transistor

8 October 2024 Product data sheet

1. General description

NPN transistor in a small SOT23 Surface-Mounted Device (SMD) plastic package.

PNP complement: BC860C

2. Features and benefits

- Low current (max. 100 mA)
- Low voltage (max. 45 V)

3. Applications

- General purpose switching and amplification

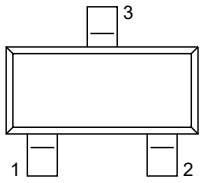
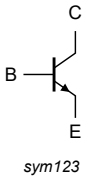
4. Quick reference data

Table 1. Quick reference data

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions		Min	Typ	Max	Unit
V_{CEO}	collector-emitter voltage	open base		-	-	45	V
I_C	collector current			-	-	100	mA
h_{FE}	DC current gain	V_{CE} = 5 V; I_C = 10 µA; T_j = 25 °C		-	450	-	

5. Pinning information

Table 2. Pinning information

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

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6. Ordering information

Table 3. Ordering information

Type number	Package		
	Name	Description	Version
BC850C	SOT23	plastic, surface-mounted package; 3 terminals; 1.9 mm pitch; 2.9 mm x 1.3 mm x 1 mm body	SOT23

7. Marking

Table 4. Marking codes

Type number	Marking code[1]
BC850C	2G%

[1] % = placeholder for manufacturing site code

8. Limiting values

Table 5. 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			-	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	[1]	-	250	mW
T_j	junction temperature			-	150	°C
T_{amb}	ambient temperature			-65	150	°C
T_{stg}	storage temperature			-65	150	°C

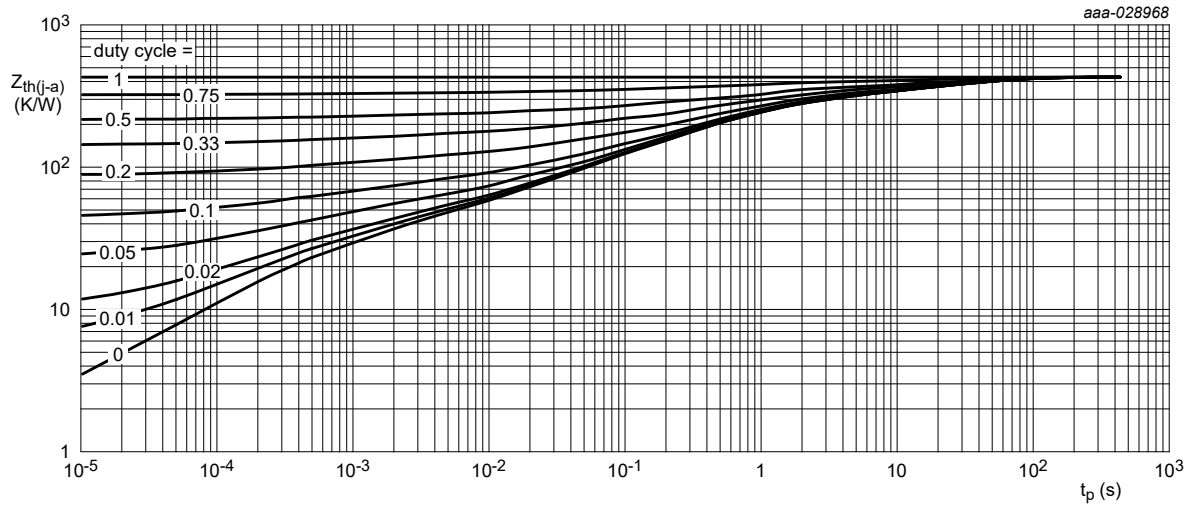
[1] Device mounted on an FR4 Printed-Circuit Board (PCB), single-sided copper, tin-plated and standard footprint.

9. Thermal characteristics

Table 6. Thermal characteristics

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

[1] Device mounted on an FR4 PCB, single-sided copper, tin-plated and standard footprint.



FR4 PCB, single-sided, 35 µm copper, tin-plated and standard footprint

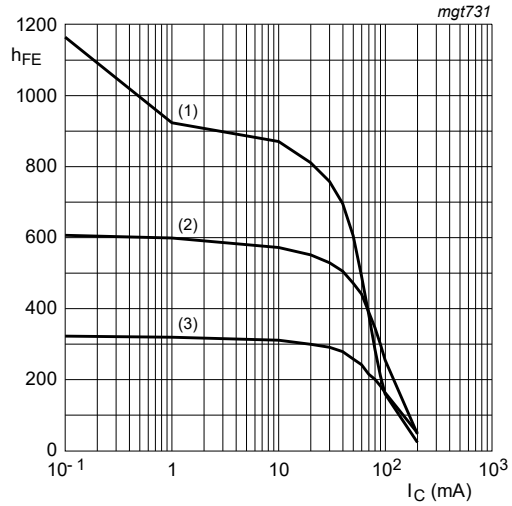
Fig. 1. Transient thermal impedance from junction to ambient as a function of pulse duration; typical values

10. Characteristics

Table 7. Characteristics

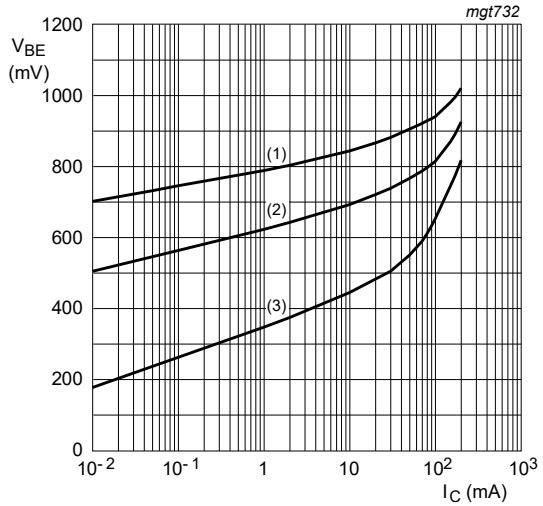
Symbol	Parameter	Conditions		Min	Typ	Max	Unit
I_{CBO}	collector-base cut-off current	V_{CB} = 30 V; I_E = 0 A; T_j = 25 °C		-	-	15	nA
		V_{CB} = 30 V; I_E = 0 A; T_j = 150 °C		-	-	5	µA
I_{EBO}	emitter-base cut-off current	V_{EB} = 5 V; I_C = 0 A; T_j = 25 °C		-	-	100	nA
h_{FE}	DC current gain	V_{CE} = 5 V; I_C = 10 µA; T_j = 25 °C		-	450	-	
		V_{CE} = 5 V; I_C = 2 mA; T_j = 25 °C		420	520	800	
V_{CEsat}	collector-emitter saturation voltage	I_C = 10 mA; I_B = 0.5 mA; T_j = 25 °C		-	90	250	mV
		I_C = 100 mA; I_B = 5 mA; T_j = 25 °C		-	200	600	mV
V_{BEsat}	base-emitter saturation voltage	I_C = 10 mA; I_B = 0.5 mA; T_j = 25 °C	[1]	-	700	-	mV
		I_C = 100 mA; I_B = 5 mA; T_j = 25 °C	[1]	-	900	-	mV
V_{BE}	base-emitter voltage	V_{CE} = 5 V; I_C = 2 mA; T_j = 25 °C	[2]	580	660	700	mV
		V_{CE} = 5 V; I_C = 10 mA; T_j = 25 °C	[2]	-	-	770	mV
C_c	collector capacitance	V_{CB} = 10 V; I_E = 0 A; i_e = 0 A; f = 1 MHz; T_j = 25 °C		-	2.5	-	pF
C_e	emitter capacitance	V_{EB} = 500 mV; I_C = 0 A; i_c = 0 A; f = 1 MHz; T_j = 25 °C		-	11	-	pF
f_T	transition frequency	V_{CE} = 5 V; I_C = 10 mA; f = 100 MHz; T_j = 25 °C		100	-	-	MHz
NF	noise figure	V_{CE} = 5 V; I_C = 200 µA; R_S = 2 kΩ; B = 200 Hz; f = 10 Hz to 15.7 kHz; T_j = 25 °C		-	-	4	dB
		V_{CE} = 5 V; I_C = 200 µA; R_S = 2 kΩ; f = 1 kHz; B = 200 Hz		-	-	4	dB

[1] V_{BEsat} decreases by about 1.7 mV/K with increasing temperature.
[2] V_{BE} decreases by about 2 mV/K with increasing temperature.



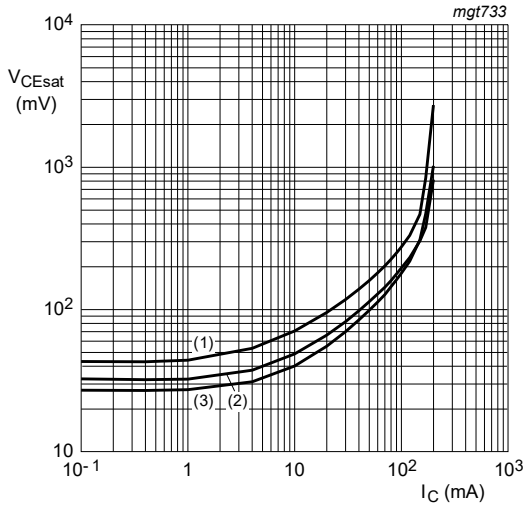
V_{CE} = 5 V
(1) T_{amb} = 150 °C
(2) T_{amb} = 25 °C
(3) T_{amb} = -55 °C

Fig. 2. DC current gain as a function of collector current; typical values



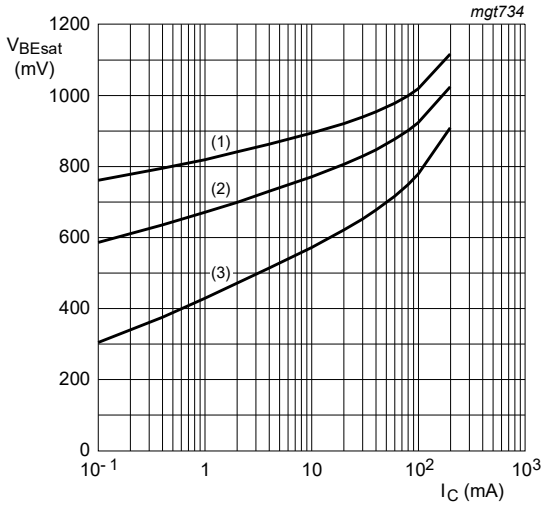
V_{CE} = 5 V
(1) T_{amb} = -55 °C
(2) T_{amb} = 25 °C
(3) T_{amb} = 150 °C

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



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

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



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

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

11. Package outline

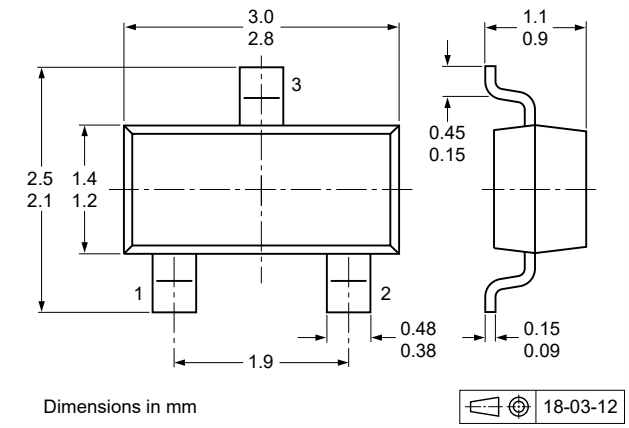


Fig. 6. Package outline SOT23

12. Soldering

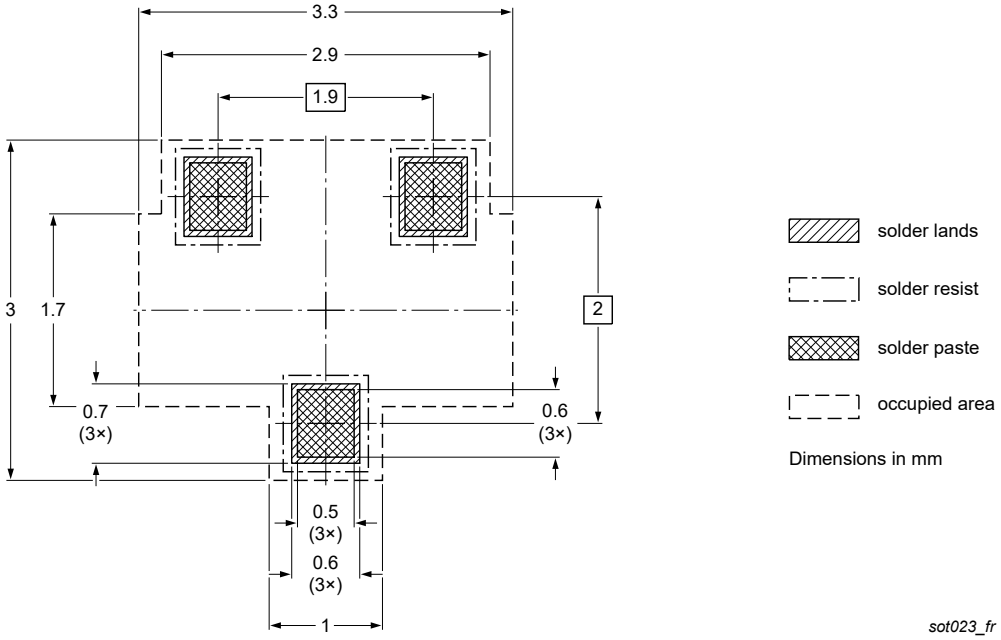


Fig. 7. Reflow soldering footprint for SOT23

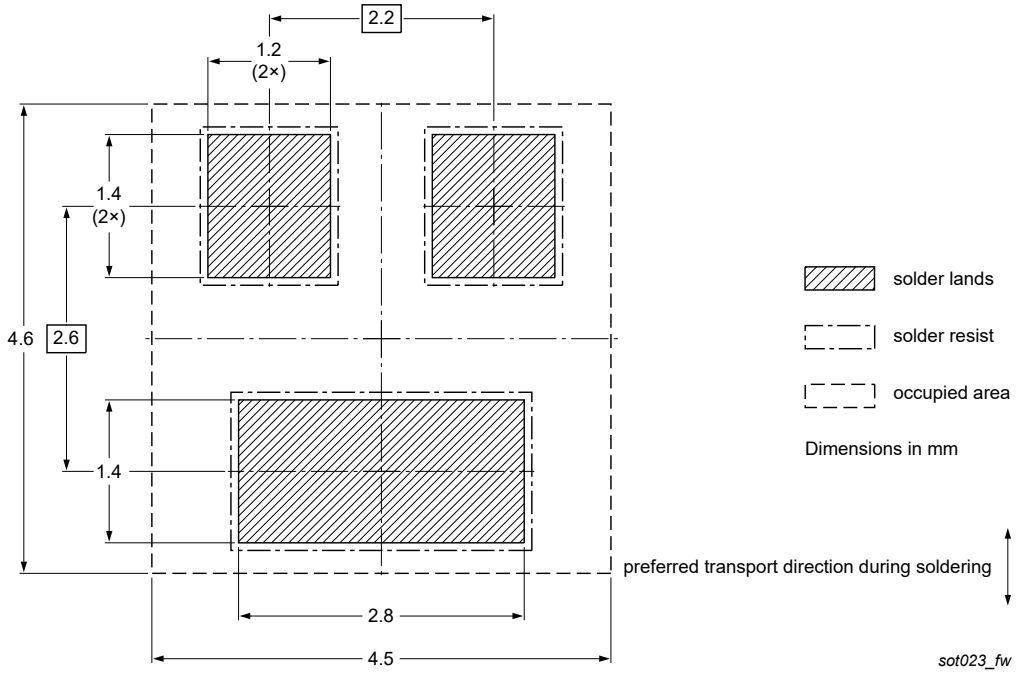


Fig. 8. Wave soldering footprint for SOT23

13. Revision history

Table 8. Revision history

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BC849_BC850 v.1	19990408	Product data sheet	-	-

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