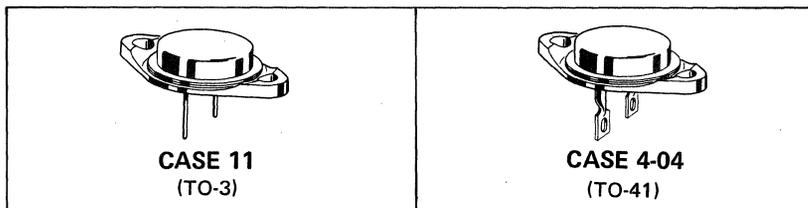


# 2N3615 thru 2N3618 (GERMANIUM)

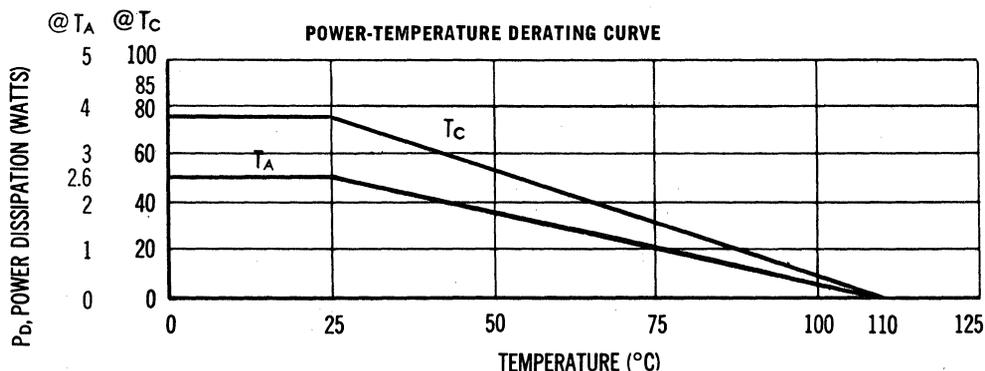
PNP germanium power transistors for switching and amplifier applications.



For units with solder lugs attached, specify devices MP3615 etc. (TO-41 package)

## MAXIMUM RATINGS

Rating	Symbol	2N3615 2N3617	2N3616 2N3618	Unit
Collector-Emitter Voltage	$V_{CES}$	60	75	Vdc
Collector-Emitter Voltage (Open Base)	$V_{CEO}$	50	60	Vdc
Collector-Base Voltage	$V_{CB}$	80	100	Vdc
Emitter-Base Voltage	$V_{EB}$	40	50	Vdc
Collector Current (Continuous)	$I_C$	7.0		Adc
Peak Collector Current (PW $\leq$ 5 msec)	$I_C$	15		Adc
Base Current (Continuous)	$I_B$	2.0		Adc
Storage Temperature	$T_{stg}$	-65 to +110		$^{\circ}C$
Operating Case Temperature	$T_C$	-65 to +110		$^{\circ}C$
Total Device Dissipation @ $T_C = 25^{\circ}C$ Derate above $25^{\circ}C$	$P_D$	7.7		Watts
		1.0		W/ $^{\circ}C$
Thermal Resistance, Junction to Case	$\theta_{JC}$	1.0		$^{\circ}C/W$
Thermal Resistance, Case to Ambient	$\theta_{CA}$	32.7		$^{\circ}C/W$



These transistors are also subject to safe area curves. Both limits are applicable and must be observed.

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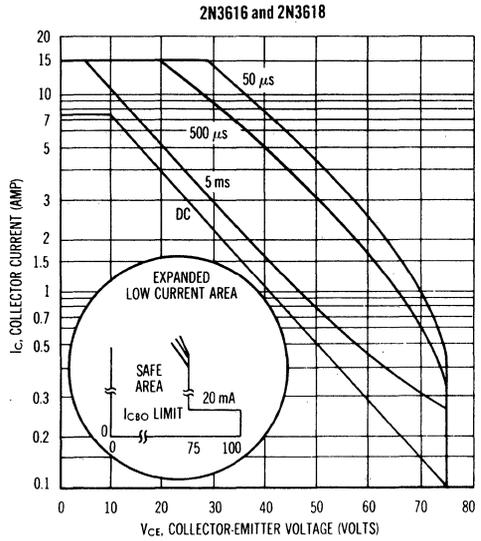
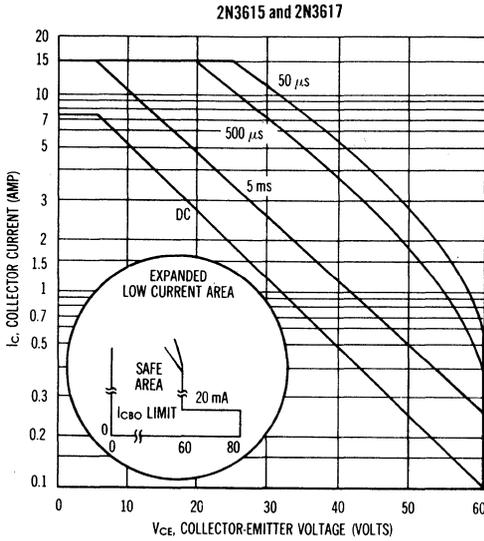
### ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS ( $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ unless otherwise noted)

Characteristic	Symbol	Min	Max	Unit
Collector-Emitter Breakdown Voltage* ( $I_C = 250 \text{ mAdc}$ )	$BV_{CES}^*$	60 75	- -	Vdc
Collector-Emitter Breakdown Voltage* ( $I_C = 300 \text{ mAdc}$ )	$BV_{CEO}^*$	50 60	- -	Vdc
Floating Potential ( $V_{CB} = V_{CB \text{ max}}$ )	$V_{EBF}$	-	1.0	Vdc
Collector-Emitter Leakage Current ( $V_{CE} = 1/2 V_{CEO \text{ max}}$ )	$I_{CEO}$	-	30	mAdc
Collector-Emitter Leakage Current ( $V_{CE} = V_{CE \text{ max}}$ , $V_{BE} = 1.0 \text{ Vdc}$ , $T_C = +100^\circ\text{C}$ )	$I_{CEX}$	-	10	mAdc
Collector-Base Cutoff Current ( $V_{CB} = 2.0 \text{ Vdc}$ ) ( $V_{CB} = 55 \text{ Vdc}$ ) ( $V_{CB} = 65 \text{ Vdc}$ ) ( $V_{CB} = V_{CB \text{ max}}$ )	$I_{CBO}$	- - - -	0.060 1.0 1.0 5.0	mAdc
Emitter-Base Cutoff Current ( $V_{EB} = V_{EB \text{ max}}$ ) ( $V_{EB} = 12 \text{ Vdc}$ )	$I_{EBO}$	-	500	$\mu\text{Adc}$
Collector-Emitter Saturation Voltage ( $I_C = 3.0 \text{ Adc}$ , $I_B = 300 \text{ mAdc}$ ) ( $I_C = 7.0 \text{ Adc}$ , $I_B = 700 \text{ mAdc}$ )	$V_{CE(\text{sat})}$	- -	0.25 0.35	Vdc
Base Emitter Saturation Voltage ( $I_C = 3.0 \text{ Adc}$ , $I_B = 300 \text{ mAdc}$ ) ( $I_C = 7.0 \text{ Adc}$ , $I_B = 700 \text{ mAdc}$ )	$V_{BE(\text{sat})}$	- - - -	0.7 0.6 1.1 0.9	Vdc
Transconductance ( $I_C = 3.0 \text{ A}$ , $V_{CE} = 2.0 \text{ V}$ )	$g_{FE}$	3.0 3.5	- -	mhos
Small Signal Current Gain ( $I_C = 0.5 \text{ A}$ , $V_{CE} = 12 \text{ V}$ , $f = 20 \text{ kHz}$ ) ( $I_C = 0.5 \text{ A}$ , $V_{CE} = 2.0 \text{ V}$ , $f = 1.0 \text{ kHz}$ )	$h_{fe}$	15 40 60	- 100 150	-
DC Current Gain ( $I_C = 3.0 \text{ Adc}$ , $V_{CE} = 2.0 \text{ Vdc}$ ) ( $I_C = 7.0 \text{ Adc}$ , $V_{CE} = 2.0 \text{ Vdc}$ )	$h_{FE}$	30 45 20 30	60 90 - -	-
Current-Gain-Bandwidth Product ( $I_C = 0.5 \text{ Adc}$ , $V_{CE} = 2.0 \text{ Vdc}$ )	$f_T$	Typ 600		kHz

\*Sweep Test: 1/2 sine wave, 60 Hz

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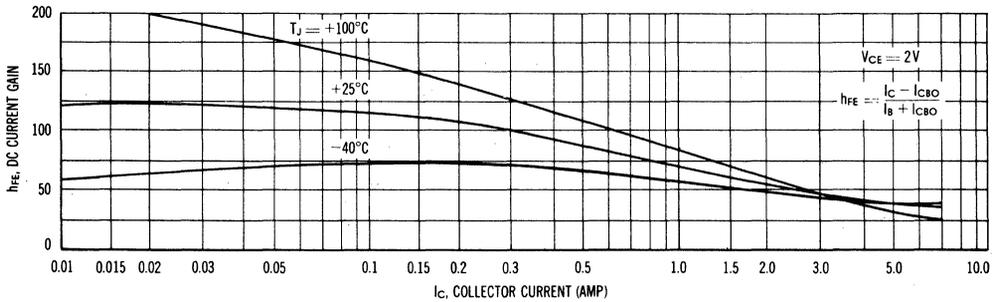
## SAFE OPERATING AREAS



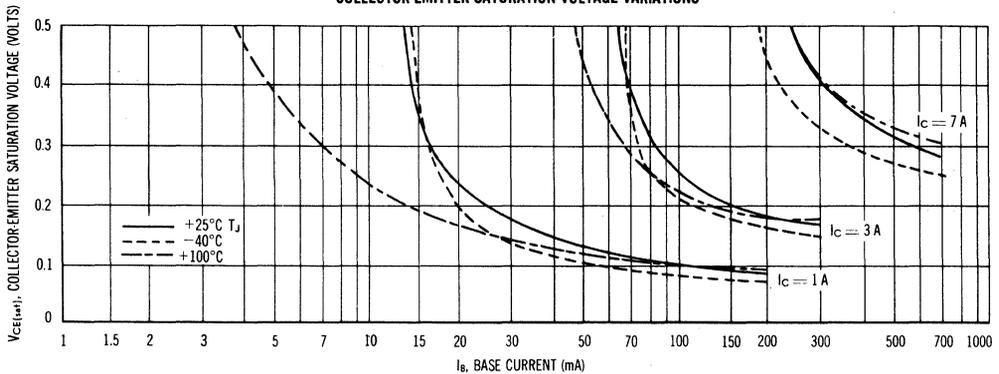
**NOTE** The Safe Operating Area Curves indicate  $I_C$ - $V_{CE}$  limits below which the device will not go into secondary breakdown. Collector load lines for specific circuits must fall within the applicable Safe Area to avoid causing a collector-emitter short. (Case temperature and duty cycle of the excursions make no significant change in these safe areas.) The load line may exceed the  $BV_{CES}$  voltage limit only if the collector

current has been reduced to 20 mA or less before or at the  $BV_{CES}$  limit; then and only then may the load line be extended to the absolute maximum voltage rating of  $BV_{CBO}$ . To insure operation below the maximum  $T_J$ , the power-temperature derating curve must be observed for both steady state and pulse power conditions.

### DC CURRENT GAIN versus COLLECTOR CURRENT

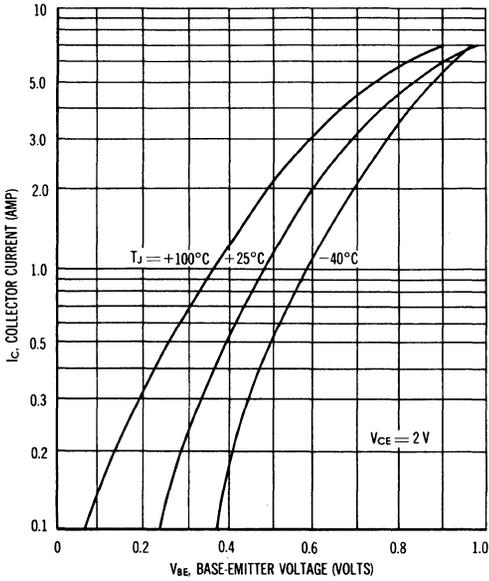


### COLLECTOR-EMITTER SATURATION VOLTAGE VARIATIONS

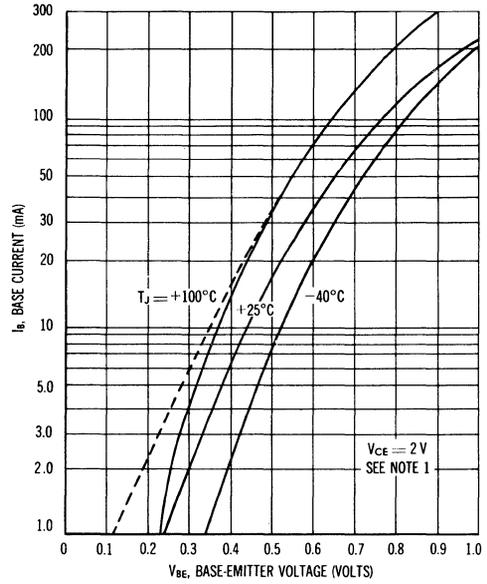


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**COLLECTOR CURRENT versus BASE-EMITTER VOLTAGE**

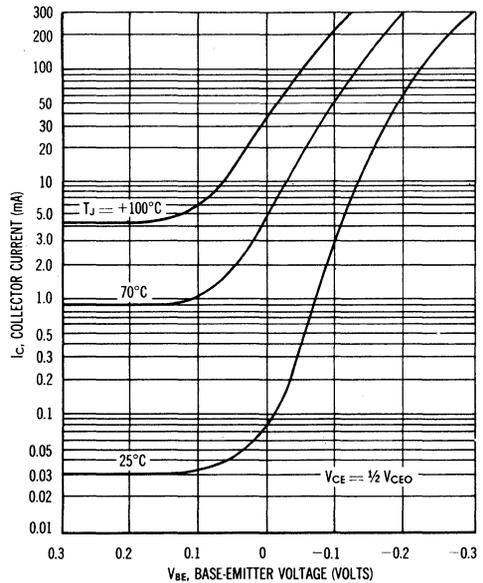


**BASE CURRENT versus BASE-EMITTER VOLTAGE**



**NOTE 1** — Dotted line indicates Metered Base Current plus the  $I_{cb0}$  of the transistor at  $100^\circ\text{C}$ .

**COLLECTOR CURRENT versus BASE-EMITTER VOLTAGE**



**TYPICAL SWITCHING TIMES**

