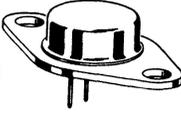


# 2N4910 thru 2N4912 (SILICON)

**CASE 80**  
(TO-66)



Medium-power NPN silicon transistors designed for driver circuits, switching, and amplifier applications. Complement to PNP 2N4898 thru 2N4900.

Collector connected to case

## MAXIMUM RATINGS

Rating	Symbol	2N4910	2N4911	2N4912	Unit
Collector-Emitter Voltage	$V_{CEO}$	40	60	80	Vdc
Collector-Base Voltage	$V_{CB}$	40	60	80	Vdc
Emitter-Base Voltage	$V_{EB}$	← 5.0 →			Vdc
Collector Current – Continuous*	$I_C^*$	← 1.0 → ← 4.0 →			Adc
Base Current – Continuous	$I_B$	← 1.0 →			Adc
Total Device Dissipation $T_C = 25^\circ\text{C}$	$P_D$	← 25 →			Watts
Derate above $25^\circ\text{C}$		← 0.143 →			mW/ $^\circ\text{C}$
Operating & Storage Junction Temperature Range	$T_J, T_{stg}$	← -65 to +200 →			$^\circ\text{C}$

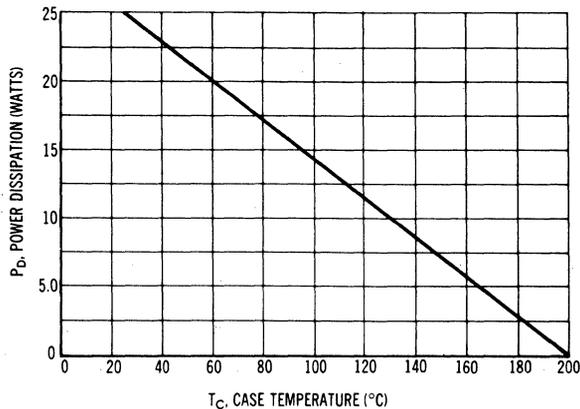
## THERMAL CHARACTERISTICS

Characteristic	Symbol	Max	Unit
Thermal Resistance, Junction to Case	$\theta_{JC}$	7.0	$^\circ\text{C}/\text{W}$

\* The 1.0 Amp maximum  $I_C$  value is based upon JEDEC current gain requirements.

The 4.0 Amp maximum value is based upon actual current-handling capability of the device (see Figure 5).

**FIGURE 1 – POWER-TEMPERATURE DERATING CURVE**



Safe Area Curves are indicated by Figure 5. All limits are applicable and must be observed.

# 2N4910 thru 2N4912 (continued)

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

Characteristic	Fig. No.	Symbol	Min	Max	Unit
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### OFF CHARACTERISTICS

Collector-Emitter Sustaining Voltage (1) ( $I_C = 0.1 \text{ A dc}$ , $I_B = 0$ ) 2N4910 2N4911 2N4912	-	$V_{CE(sus)}$	40 60 80	- - -	Vdc
Collector Cutoff Current ( $V_{CE} = 20 \text{ Vdc}$ , $I_B = 0$ ) 2N4910 ( $V_{CE} = 30 \text{ Vdc}$ , $I_B = 0$ ) 2N4911 ( $V_{CE} = 40 \text{ Vdc}$ , $I_B = 0$ ) 2N4912	-	$I_{CEO}$	- - -	0.5 0.5 0.5	mA dc
Collector Cutoff Current ( $V_{CE} = \text{Rated } V_{CE}$ , $V_{EB(off)} = 1.5 \text{ Vdc}$ ) ( $V_{CE} = \text{Rated } V_{CE}$ , $V_{EB(off)} = 1.5 \text{ Vdc}$ , $T_C = 150^\circ\text{C}$ )	12	$I_{CEX}$	- -	0.1 1.0	mA dc
Collector Cutoff Current ( $V_{CB} = \text{Rated } V_{CB}$ , $I_E = 0$ )	-	$I_{CBO}$	-	0.1	mA dc
Emitter Cutoff Current ( $V_{EB} = 5.0 \text{ Vdc}$ , $I_C = 0$ )	-	$I_{EBO}$	-	1.0	mA dc

### ON CHARACTERISTICS (1)

DC Current Gain ( $I_C = 50 \text{ mA dc}$ , $V_{CE} = 1.0 \text{ Vdc}$ ) ( $I_C = 500 \text{ mA dc}$ , $V_{CE} = 1.0 \text{ Vdc}$ ) ( $I_C = 1.0 \text{ A dc}$ , $V_{CE} = 1.0 \text{ Vdc}$ )	8	$h_{FE}$	40 20 10	- 100 -	-
Collector-Emitter Saturation Voltage ( $I_C = 1.0 \text{ A dc}$ , $I_B = 0.1 \text{ A dc}$ )	9 11 13	$V_{CE(sat)}$	-	0.6	Vdc
Base-Emitter Saturation Voltage ( $I_C = 1.0 \text{ A dc}$ , $I_B = 0.1 \text{ A dc}$ )	11 13	$V_{BE(sat)}$	-	1.3	Vdc
Base-Emitter On Voltage ( $I_C = 1.0 \text{ A dc}$ , $V_{CE} = 1.0 \text{ Vdc}$ )	11 13	$V_{BE(on)}$	-	1.3	Vdc

### SMALL SIGNAL CHARACTERISTICS

Current-Gain - Bandwidth Product ( $I_C = 250 \text{ mA dc}$ , $V_{CE} = 10 \text{ Vdc}$ , $f = 1.0 \text{ MHz}$ )	-	$f_T$	3.0	-	MHz
Output Capacitance ( $V_{CB} = 10 \text{ Vdc}$ , $I_E = 0$ , $f = 100 \text{ kHz}$ )	-	$C_{ob}$	-	100	pF
Small-Signal Current Gain ( $I_C = 250 \text{ mA dc}$ , $V_{CE} = 10 \text{ Vdc}$ , $f = 1.0 \text{ kHz}$ )	-	$h_{fe}$	25	-	

(1) Pulse Test:  $PW \approx 300 \mu\text{s}$ , Duty Cycle  $\approx 2.0\%$

FIGURE 2 - SWITCHING TIME EQUIVALENT CIRCUIT

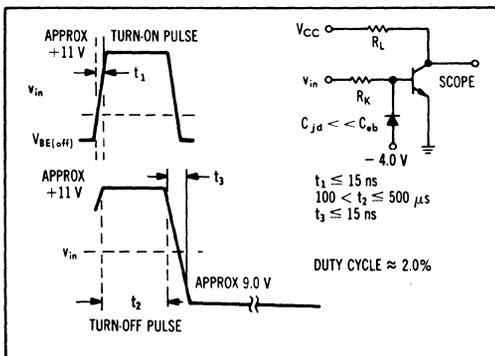
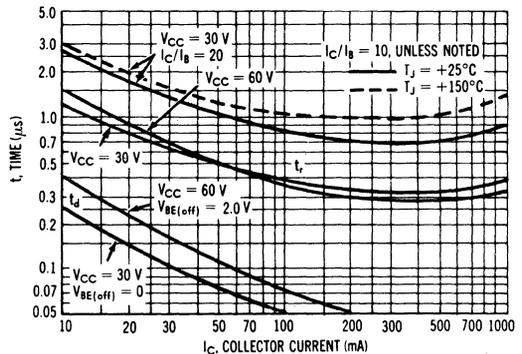


FIGURE 3 - TURN-ON TIME



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FIGURE 4 — THERMAL RESPONSE

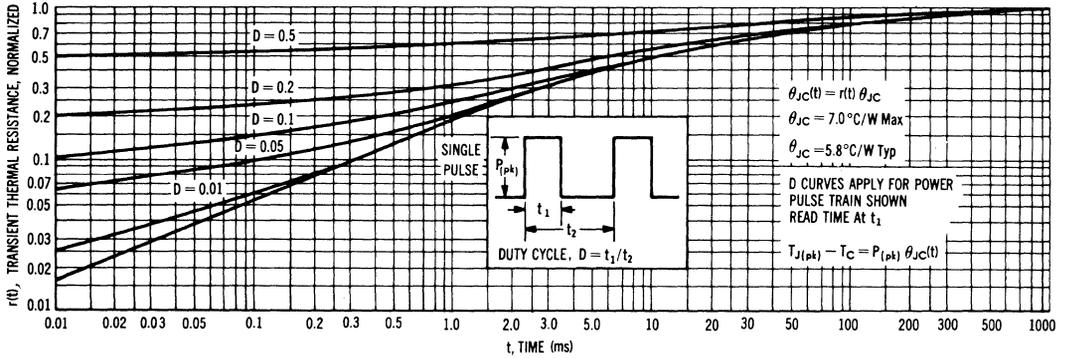
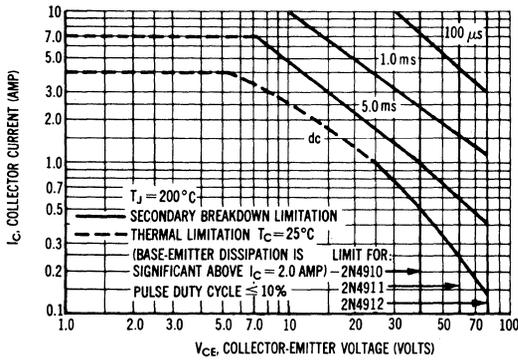


FIGURE 5 — ACTIVE-REGION SAFE OPERATING AREA



There are two limitations on the power handling ability of a transistor: junction temperature and secondary breakdown. Safe operating area curves indicate  $I_C - V_{CE}$  limits of the transistor that must be observed for reliable operation; i.e., the transistor must not be subjected to greater dissipation than the curves indicate.

The data of Figure 5 is based on  $T_{J(pk)} = 200^\circ\text{C}$ ;  $T_C$  is variable depending on conditions. Pulse curves are valid for duty cycles of 10% provided  $T_{J(pk)} \leq 200^\circ\text{C}$ .  $T_{J(pk)}$  may be calculated from the data in Figure 4. At high case temperatures, thermal limitations will reduce the power that can be handled to values less than the limitations imposed by secondary breakdown.

FIGURE 6 — STORAGE TIME

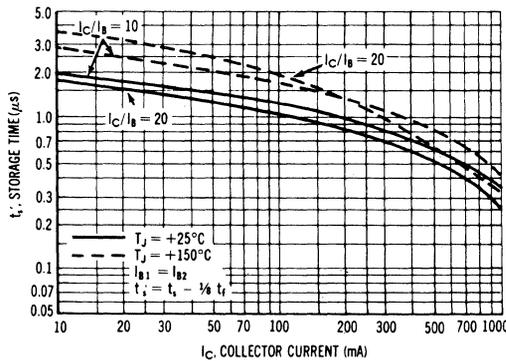
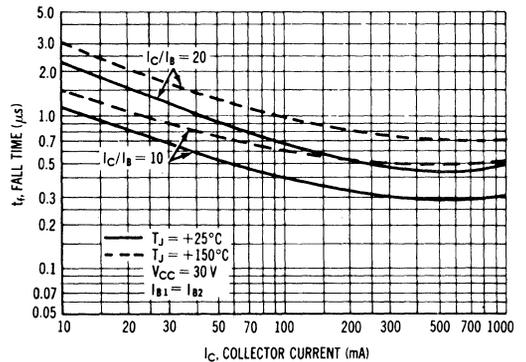


FIGURE 7 — FALL TIME



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TYPICAL DC CHARACTERISTICS

FIGURE 8 — CURRENT GAIN

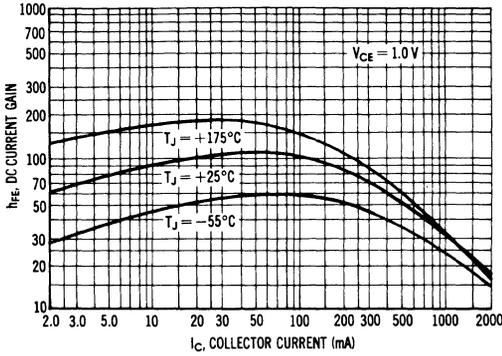


FIGURE 9 — COLLECTOR SATURATION REGION

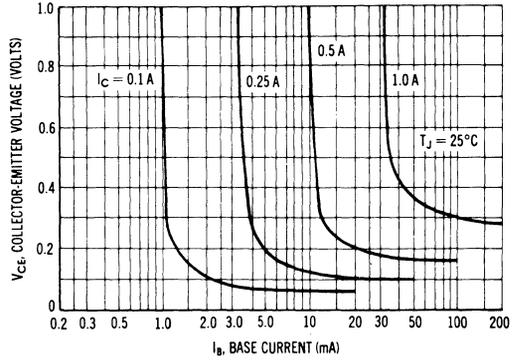


FIGURE 10 — EFFECTS OF BASE-EMITTER RESISTANCE

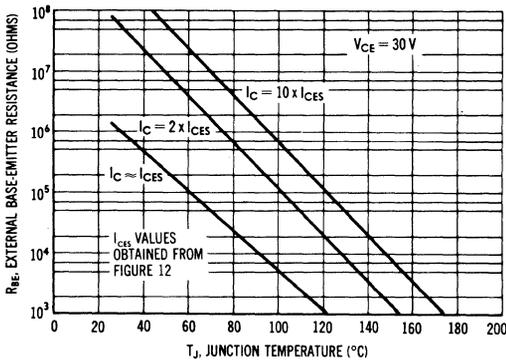


FIGURE 11 — "ON" VOLTAGE

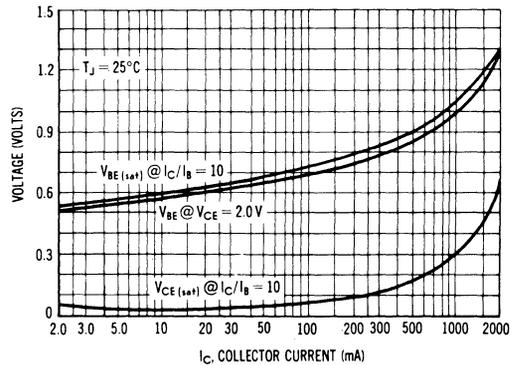


FIGURE 12 — COLLECTOR CUTOFF REGION

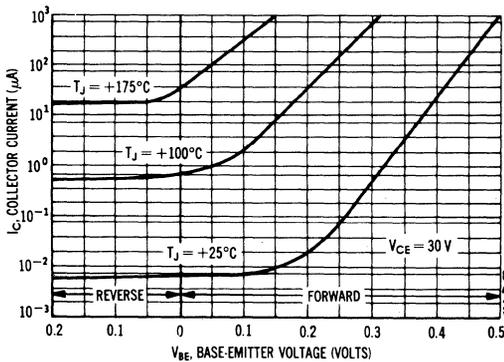


FIGURE 13 — TEMPERATURE COEFFICIENTS

