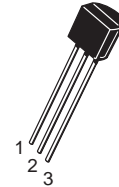
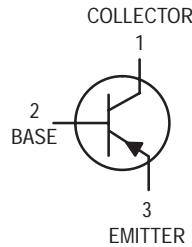


Amplifier Transistors

PNP Silicon

BC556,B
BC557,A,B,C
BC558B



CASE 29-04, STYLE 17
TO-92 (TO-226AA)

MAXIMUM RATINGS

Rating	Symbol	BC556	BC557	BC558	Unit
Collector–Emitter Voltage	V_{CEO}	-65	-45	-30	Vdc
Collector–Base Voltage	V_{CBO}	-80	-50	-30	Vdc
Emitter–Base Voltage	V_{EBO}	-5.0			Vdc
Collector Current — Continuous	I_C	-100			mAdc
Total Device Dissipation @ $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ Derate above 25°C	P_D	625 5.0			mW mW/ $^\circ\text{C}$
Total Device Dissipation @ $T_C = 25^\circ\text{C}$ Derate above 25°C	P_D	1.5 12			Watt mW/ $^\circ\text{C}$
Operating and Storage Junction Temperature Range	T_J, T_{stg}	-55 to +150			$^\circ\text{C}$

THERMAL CHARACTERISTICS

Characteristic	Symbol	Max	Unit
Thermal Resistance, Junction to Ambient	$R_{\theta JA}$	200	$^\circ\text{C}/\text{W}$
Thermal Resistance, Junction to Case	$R_{\theta JC}$	83.3	$^\circ\text{C}/\text{W}$

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

Characteristic	Symbol	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
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OFF CHARACTERISTICS

Collector–Emitter Breakdown Voltage ($I_C = -2.0$ mAdc, $I_B = 0$)	BC556 BC557 BC558	$V_{(BR)CEO}$	-65 -45 -30	— — —	— — —	V
Collector–Base Breakdown Voltage ($I_C = -100$ μ Adc)	BC556 BC557 BC558	$V_{(BR)CBO}$	-80 -50 -30	— — —	— — —	V
Emitter–Base Breakdown Voltage ($I_E = -100$ μ Adc, $I_C = 0$)	BC556 BC557 BC558	$V_{(BR)EBO}$	-5.0 -5.0 -5.0	— — —	— — —	V
Collector–Emitter Leakage Current ($V_{CES} = -40$ V) ($V_{CES} = -20$ V)	BC556 BC557 BC558	I_{CES}	— — —	-2.0 -2.0 -2.0	-100 -100 -100	nA
($V_{CES} = -20$ V, $T_A = 125^\circ\text{C}$)	BC556 BC557 BC558		— — —	— — —	-4.0 -4.0 -4.0	μA

BC556,B BC557,A,B,C BC558B
ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS ($T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ unless otherwise noted) (Continued)

Characteristic	Symbol	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
ON CHARACTERISTICS					
DC Current Gain ($I_C = -10 \mu\text{Adc}$, $V_{CE} = -5.0 \text{ V}$)	h_{FE}	—	90	—	—
BC557A		—	150	—	—
BC556B/557B/558B BC557C		—	270	—	—
($I_C = -2.0 \text{ mAdc}$, $V_{CE} = -5.0 \text{ V}$)	h_{FE}	120	—	500	—
BC556		120	—	800	—
BC557		120	—	800	—
BC558		120	170	220	—
BC557A		180	290	460	—
BC556B/557B/558B BC557C		420	500	800	—
($I_C = -100 \text{ mAdc}$, $V_{CE} = -5.0 \text{ V}$)	h_{FE}	—	120	—	—
BC557A		—	180	—	—
BC556B/557B/558B BC557C		—	300	—	—
Collector–Emitter Saturation Voltage ($I_C = -10 \text{ mAdc}$, $I_B = -0.5 \text{ mAdc}$) ($I_C = -10 \text{ mAdc}$, $I_B = \text{see Note 1}$) ($I_C = -100 \text{ mAdc}$, $I_B = -5.0 \text{ mAdc}$)	$V_{CE(\text{sat})}$	—	-0.075	-0.3	V
		—	-0.3	-0.6	
		—	-0.25	-0.65	
Base–Emitter Saturation Voltage ($I_C = -10 \text{ mAdc}$, $I_B = -0.5 \text{ mAdc}$) ($I_C = -100 \text{ mAdc}$, $I_B = -5.0 \text{ mAdc}$)	$V_{BE(\text{sat})}$	—	-0.7	—	V
		—	-1.0	—	
Base–Emitter On Voltage ($I_C = -2.0 \text{ mAdc}$, $V_{CE} = -5.0 \text{ Vdc}$) ($I_C = -10 \text{ mAdc}$, $V_{CE} = -5.0 \text{ Vdc}$)	$V_{BE(\text{on})}$	-0.55	-0.62	-0.7	V
		—	-0.7	-0.82	

SMALL–SIGNAL CHARACTERISTICS

Current–Gain — Bandwidth Product ($I_C = -10 \text{ mA}$, $V_{CE} = -5.0 \text{ V}$, $f = 100 \text{ MHz}$)	f_T	—	280	—	MHz
BC556		—	320	—	
BC557 BC558		—	360	—	
Output Capacitance ($V_{CB} = -10 \text{ V}$, $I_C = 0$, $f = 1.0 \text{ MHz}$)	C_{ob}	—	3.0	6.0	pF
Noise Figure ($I_C = -0.2 \text{ mAdc}$, $V_{CE} = -5.0 \text{ V}$, $R_S = 2.0 \text{ k}\Omega$, $f = 1.0 \text{ kHz}$, $\Delta f = 200 \text{ Hz}$)	NF	—	2.0	10	dB
BC556		—	2.0	10	
BC557 BC558		—	2.0	10	
Small–Signal Current Gain ($I_C = -2.0 \text{ mAdc}$, $V_{CE} = -5.0 \text{ V}$, $f = 1.0 \text{ kHz}$)	h_{fe}	125	—	500	—
BC556		125	—	900	—
BC557/558		125	220	260	—
BC557A		240	330	500	—
BC556B/557B/558B BC557C		450	600	900	—

Note 1: $I_C = -10 \text{ mAdc}$ on the constant base current characteristics, which yields the point $I_C = -11 \text{ mAdc}$, $V_{CE} = -1.0 \text{ V}$.

BC557/BC558

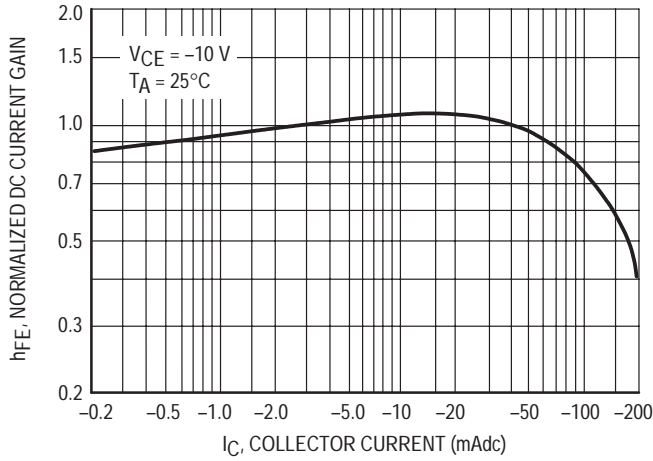


Figure 1. Normalized DC Current Gain

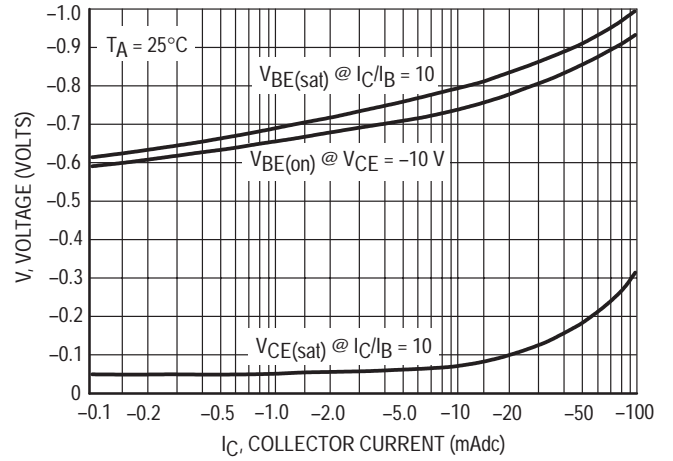


Figure 2. "Saturation" and "On" Voltages

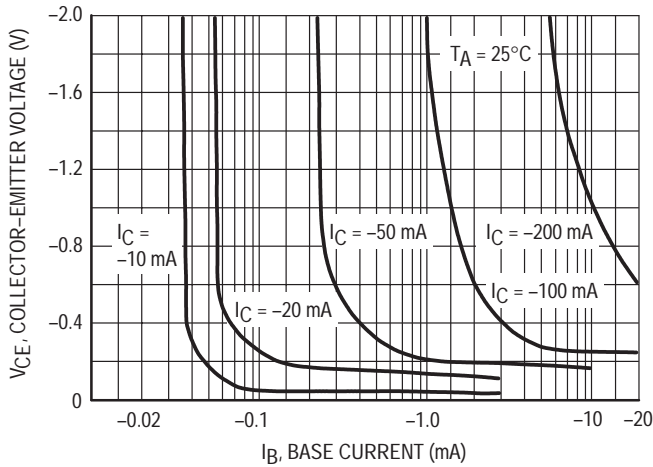


Figure 3. Collector Saturation Region

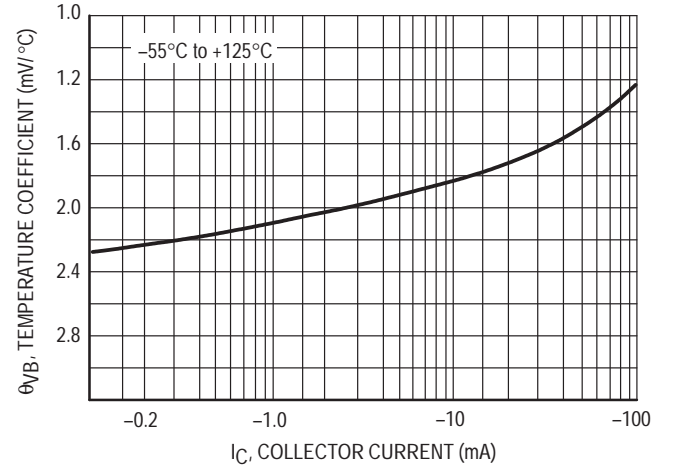


Figure 4. Base-Emitter Temperature Coefficient

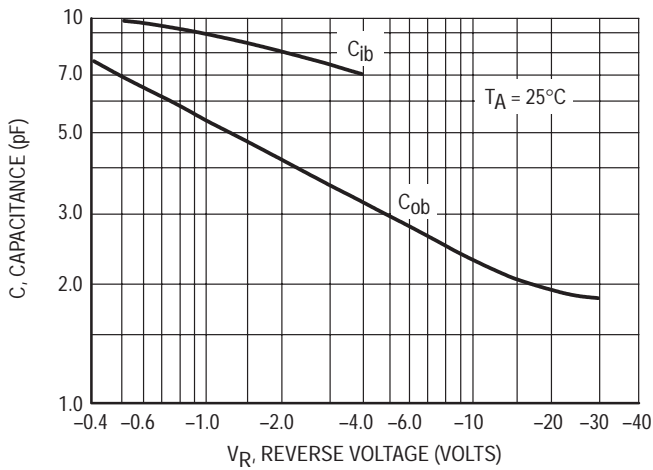


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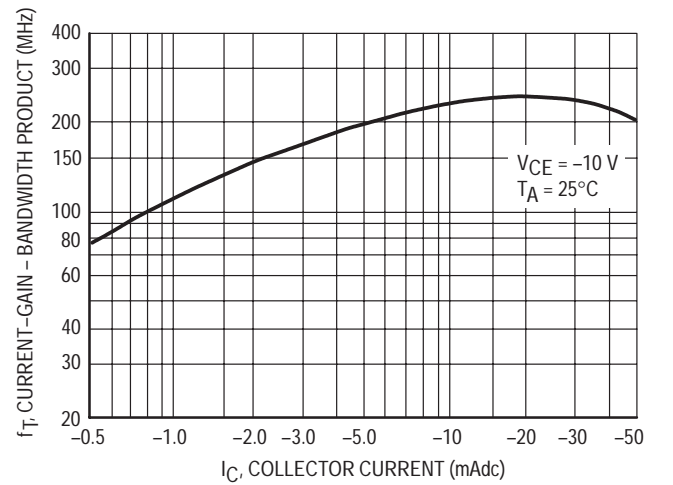


Figure 6. Current-Gain - Bandwidth Product

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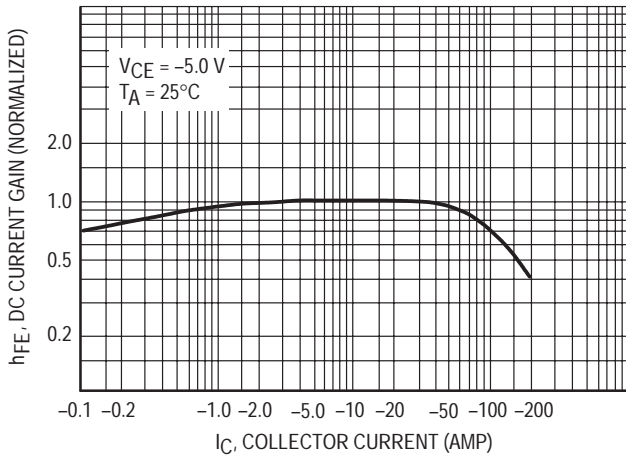


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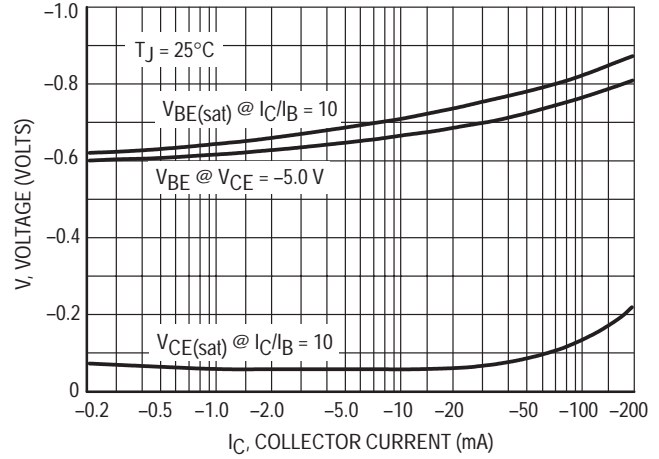


Figure 8. "On" Voltage

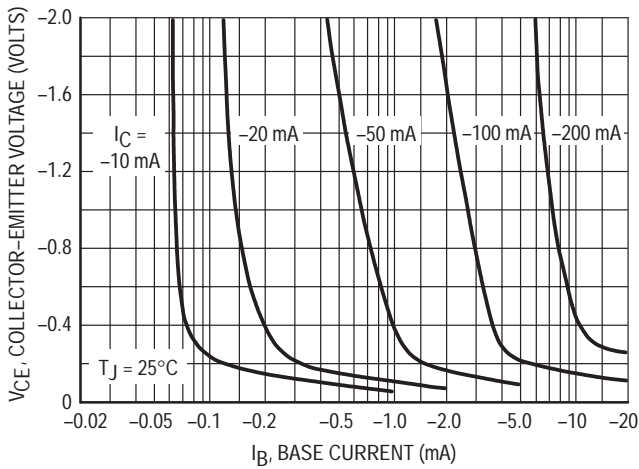


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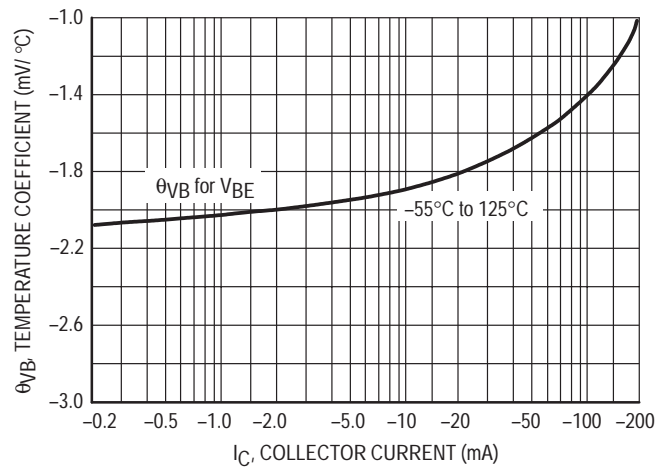


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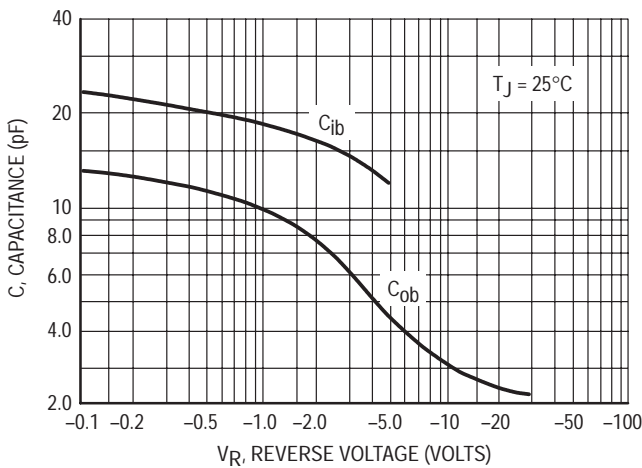


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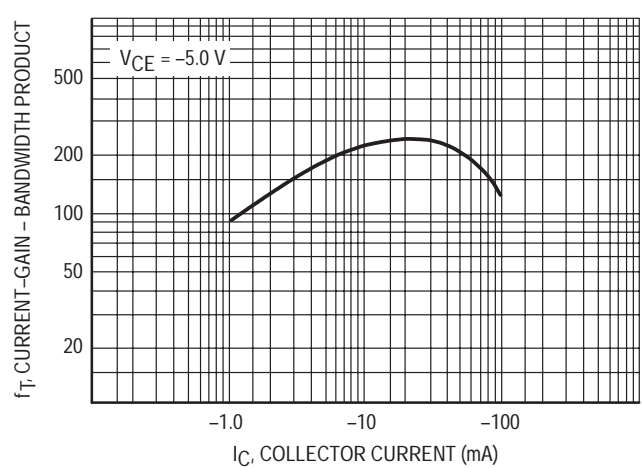


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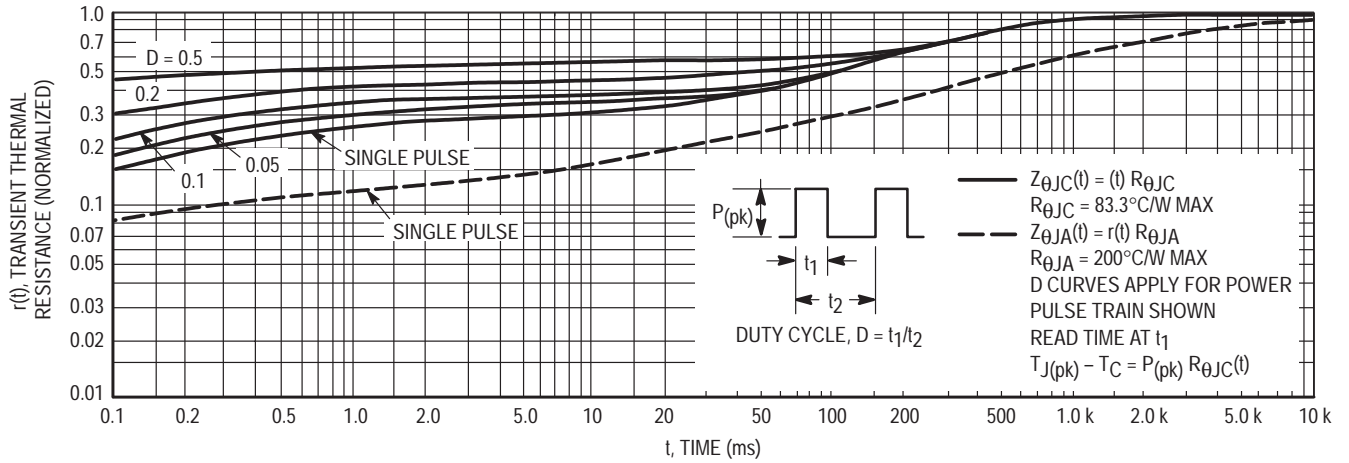


Figure 13. Thermal Response

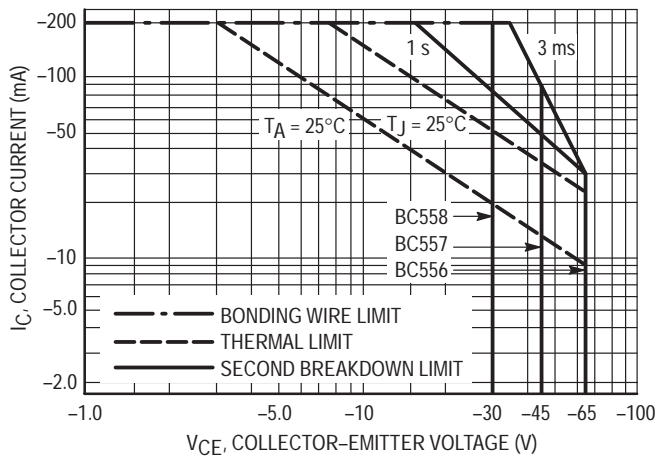


Figure 14. Active Region — Safe Operating Area

The safe operating area curves indicate I_C - V_{CE} limits of the transistor that must be observed for reliable operation. Collector load lines for specific circuits must fall below the limits indicated by the applicable curve.

The data of Figure 14 is based upon $T_{J(pk)} = 150^\circ\text{C}$; T_C or T_A is variable depending upon conditions. Pulse curves are valid for duty cycles to 10% provided $T_{J(pk)} \leq 150^\circ\text{C}$. $T_{J(pk)}$ may be calculated from the data in Figure 13. At high case or ambient temperatures, thermal limitations will reduce the power than can be handled to values less than the limitations imposed by second breakdown.