

**n-Type Silicon p-i-n Photodetector**

- Detector Chip Close to Window
- Low Operating Voltage —  $V_R = 45\text{ V}$
- Anti-Reflection Coated to Enhance Responsivity at 900 nm
- Hermetically-Sealed Package
- Spectral Response Range — (10% points) 400 to 1100 nm

RCA Type C30957E is an n-type Silicon p-i-n Photodiode designed for use in a wide variety of broad band low light level applications covering the spectral range from below 400 to over 1100 nanometers.

These characteristics make this device highly useful in HeNe and GaAs laser detection systems and in optical demodulation, data transmission, ranging, and high-speed switching applications.

**Absolute Maximum Ratings**

**Limiting Values**

- DC Reverse Operating Voltage,  $V_R$  ..... 100 max. V
- Photocurrent Density,  $j_p$ , at 22°C:  
 Average value, continuous operation 5 mA/mm<sup>2</sup>  
 Peak value ..... 20 mA/mm<sup>2</sup>
- Forward Current,  $I_F$ :  
 Average value, continuous operation 10 max. mA  
 Peak value ..... 100 max. mA
- Ambient Temperature:  
 Storage,  $T_{stg}$  ..... - 60 to + 100°C  
 Operating,  $T_A$  ..... - 40 to + 80°C  
 Soldering:  
 For 5 seconds ..... 200°C

**Mechanical Characteristics**

- Photosensitive Surface:  
 Shape ..... Circular  
 Useful area ..... 0.8 mm<sup>2</sup>  
 Useful diameter ..... 1.0 mm

**Optical Characteristics**

- Field of View:<sup>1</sup>  
 Full angle ( $\infty$ ) for totally illuminated photosensitive surface ..... 100 deg  
 Full angle ( $\infty$ ) for partially illuminated photosensitive surface ..... 114 deg

**Electrical Characteristics<sup>2</sup>**

	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
Breakdown Voltage, $V_{BR}$ .....	100	—	—	V
Responsivity:				
At 900 nm .....	0.5	0.6	—	A/W
At 1060 nm .....	0.1	0.15	—	A/W
Luminous Respons. (2856 K) .....	—	8.5	—	mA/Im
Quantum Efficiency:				
At 900 nm .....	70	83	—	%
At 1060 nm .....	12	17	—	%
Dark Current, $I_d$ :				
At $V_R = 10\text{ V}$ .....	—	$2 \times 10^{-9}$	$1 \times 10^{-8}$	A
At $V_R = 45\text{ V}$ .....	—	$1 \times 10^{-8}$	$5 \times 10^{-8}$	A
See Figure 2				
Noise Current, $i_n$ :				
f = 10 kHz, $\Delta f = 1.0\text{ Hz}$ .....	—	$6 \times 10^{-14}$	$4 \times 10^{-13}$	A/Hz <sup>1/2</sup>
See Figure 3				
Capacitance, $C_d$ ..	—	2.5	3.0	pF
See Figure 4				
Rise Time, $t_r$ :				
$R_L = 50\ \Omega$ , $\lambda = 900\text{ nm}$ , 10% to 90% pts .....	—	3	7	ns
Fall Time:				
$R_L = 50\ \Omega$ , $\lambda = 900\text{ nm}$ , 90% to 10% pts .....	—	6	10	ns

<sup>1</sup> The values specified for field of view are approximate and are critically dependent on the dimensional tolerances of the package component parts.

<sup>2</sup> At  $T_A = 22^\circ\text{C}$  and  $V_R = 45\text{ V}$ , unless otherwise specified. The recommended range of reverse operating voltage  $V_R$  at 22°C is 0 to 50 V. However, when the device is operated in the photovoltaic mode, i.e., at  $V_R = 0\text{ V}$ , some of the electrical characteristics will differ from those shown.

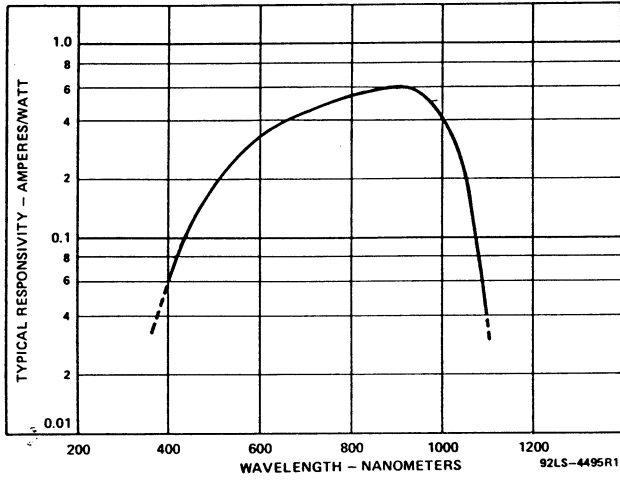


Figure 1 - Typical Spectral Responsivity Characteristic

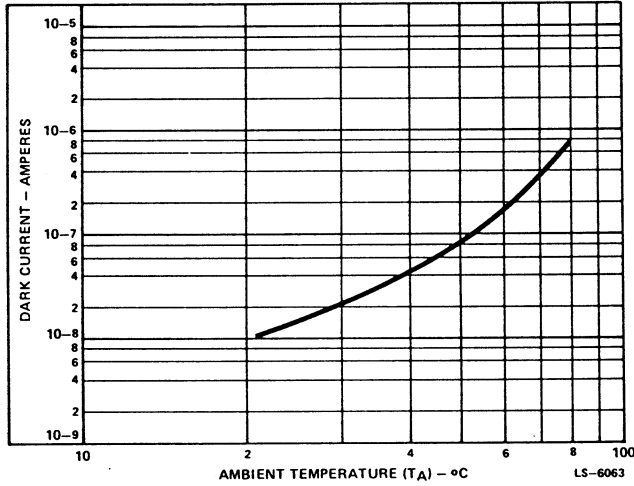


Figure 2 - Typical Dark Current vs Ambient Temperature

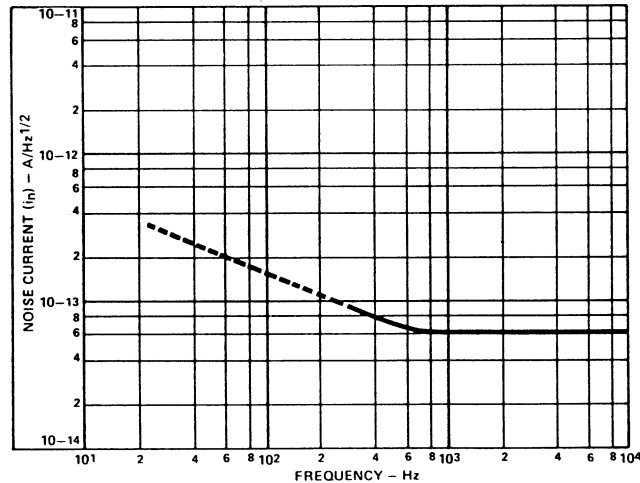


Figure 3 - Typical Noise Current vs Frequency

Dimensions in millimeters. Dimensions in parentheses are in inches.

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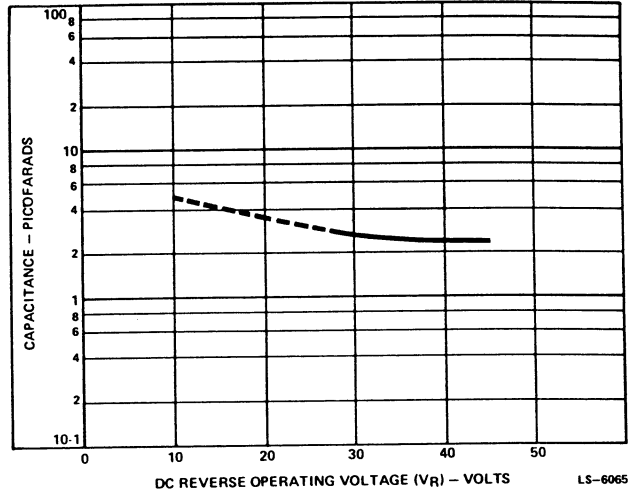
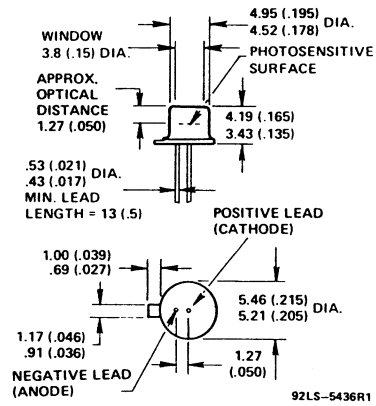


Figure 4 - Typical Photodiode Capacitance vs Operating Voltage



Modified TO-18 Package

**Note:** Optical distance is defined as the distance from the surface of the silicon chip to the front surface of the window.

Figure 5 - Dimensional Outline

**Warning — Personal Safety Hazards**  
**Electrical Shock** — Operating voltages applied to this device present a shock hazard.

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