



STD878 STN878

High current, high performance, low voltage
NPN transistors

Features

- Very low collector to emitter saturation voltage
- DC current gain, $h_{FE} > 100$
- 5 A continuous collector current

Applications

- Power management in portable equipment
- Voltage regulation in bias supply circuits
- Switching regulator in battery charger applications
- Heavy load driver

Description

The devices are manufactured in low voltage NPN planar technology with “base island” layout, the resulting transistor shows exceptional high gain performance coupled with very low saturation voltage.

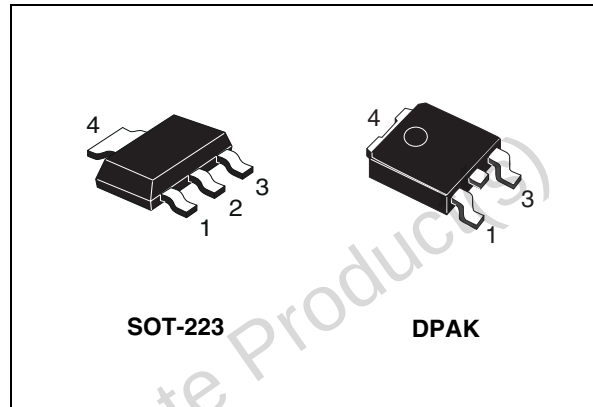


Figure 1. Internal schematic diagram

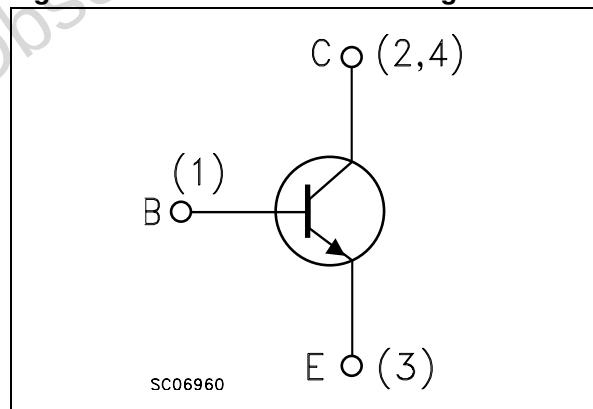


Table 1. Device summary

Order codes	Markings	Packages	Packaging
STD878T4	D878	DPAK	Tape and reel
STN878	N878	SOT-223	Tape and reel

1 Electrical ratings

Table 2. Absolute maximum ratings

Symbol	Parameter	Value	Unit
V_{CBO}	Collector-base voltage ($I_E = 0$)	45	V
V_{CEO}	Collector-emitter voltage ($I_B = 0$)	30	V
V_{EBO}	Emitter-base voltage ($I_C = 0$)	6	V
I_C	Collector current	5	A
I_{CM}	Collector peak current ($t_P < 5$ ms)	10	A
P_{TOT}	Total dissipation at $T_C = 25$ °C for STD878	15	W
	Total dissipation at $T_{amb} = 25$ °C for STN878	1.6	
T_{STG}	Storage temperature	-65 to 150	°C
T_J	Max. operating junction temperature	150	°C

Table 3. Thermal data

Symbol	Parameter	Value	Unit
R_{thJC}	Thermal resistance junction-case for STD878 max	8.3	°C/W
R_{thJA}	Thermal resistance junction-ambient for STN878 ⁽¹⁾ max	78	°C/W

1. Device mounted on PCB area of 1 cm².

2 Electrical characteristics

$T_{\text{case}} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ unless otherwise specified.

Table 4. Electrical characteristics

Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
I_{CBO}	Collector cut-off current ($I_{\text{E}} = 0$)	$V_{\text{CB}} = 30\text{ V}$ $V_{\text{CB}} = 30\text{ V}; T_{\text{C}} = 100\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$			10 100	μA μA
I_{EBO}	Emitter cut-off current ($I_{\text{C}} = 0$)	$V_{\text{EB}} = 6\text{ V}$			10	μA
$V_{(\text{BR})\text{CEO}}^{(1)}$	Collector-emitter breakdown voltage ($I_{\text{B}} = 0$)	$I_{\text{C}} = 10\text{ mA}$	30			V
$V_{(\text{BR})\text{CBO}}$	Collector-base breakdown voltage ($I_{\text{E}} = 0$)	$I_{\text{C}} = 100\text{ }\mu\text{A}$	45			V
$V_{(\text{BR})\text{EBO}}$	Emitter-base breakdown voltage ($I_{\text{C}} = 0$)	$I_{\text{E}} = 100\text{ }\mu\text{A}$	6			V
$V_{\text{CE(sat)}}^{(1)}$	Collector-emitter saturation voltage	$I_{\text{C}} = 0.5\text{ A}$ $I_{\text{B}} = 5\text{ mA}$ $I_{\text{C}} = 2\text{ A}$ $I_{\text{B}} = 50\text{ mA}$ $I_{\text{C}} = 5\text{ A}$ $I_{\text{B}} = 0.25\text{ A}$ $I_{\text{C}} = 6\text{ A}$ $I_{\text{B}} = 0.25\text{ A}$ $I_{\text{C}} = 8\text{ A}$ $I_{\text{B}} = 0.4\text{ A}$ $I_{\text{C}} = 10\text{ A}$ $I_{\text{B}} = 0.5\text{ A}$		0.7 1 1.2	0.15 0.35 0.7	V V V V V V
$V_{\text{BE(sat)}}^{(1)}$	Base-emitter saturation voltage	$I_{\text{C}} = 2\text{ A}$ $I_{\text{B}} = 50\text{ mA}$ $I_{\text{C}} = 6\text{ A}$ $I_{\text{B}} = 0.25\text{ A}$		1.2	1.1	V V
$h_{\text{FE}}^{(1)}$	DC current gain	$I_{\text{C}} = 10\text{ mA}$ $V_{\text{CE}} = 1\text{ V}$ $I_{\text{C}} = 500\text{ mA}$ $V_{\text{CE}} = 1\text{ V}$ $I_{\text{C}} = 5\text{ A}$ $V_{\text{CE}} = 1\text{ V}$ $I_{\text{C}} = 5\text{ A}$ $V_{\text{CE}} = 1\text{ V}$ $T_{\text{C}} = 100\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ $I_{\text{C}} = 8\text{ A}$ $V_{\text{CE}} = 1\text{ V}$ $I_{\text{C}} = 10\text{ A}$ $V_{\text{CE}} = 1\text{ V}$	120 100 70	200 200 100 100 55 35	300	
t_{d} t_{r} t_{s} t_{f}	Resistive load Delay time Rise time Storage time Fall time	$I_{\text{C}} = 3\text{ A}$ $V_{\text{CC}} = 20\text{ V}$ $I_{\text{B1}} = -I_{\text{B2}} = 60\text{ mA}$ see Figure 8		180 160 250 80	220 210 300 100	ns ns ns ns

1. Pulse test: pulse duration $\leq 300\text{ }\mu\text{s}$, duty cycle $\leq 2\%$

2.1 Electrical characteristics (curves)

Figure 2. DC current gain ($V_{CE} = 1\text{ V}$)

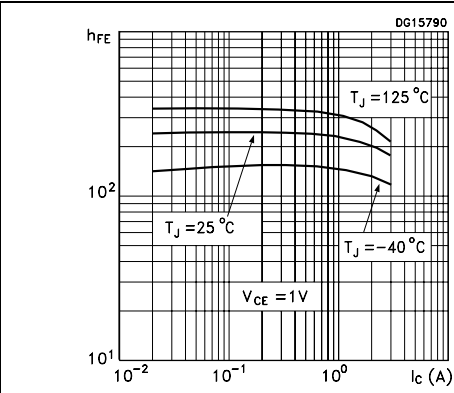


Figure 3. DC current gain ($V_{CE} = 3\text{ V}$)

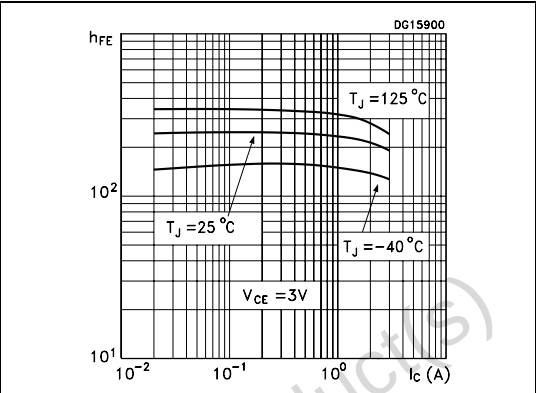


Figure 4. Collector-emitter saturation voltage

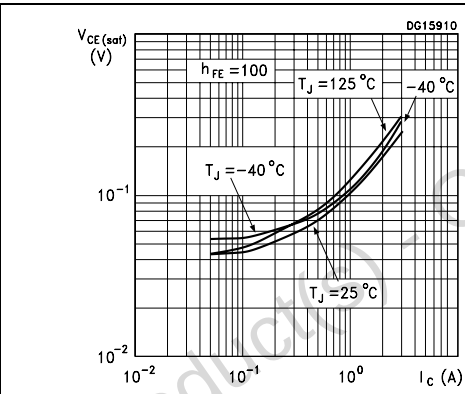


Figure 5. Base-emitter saturation voltage

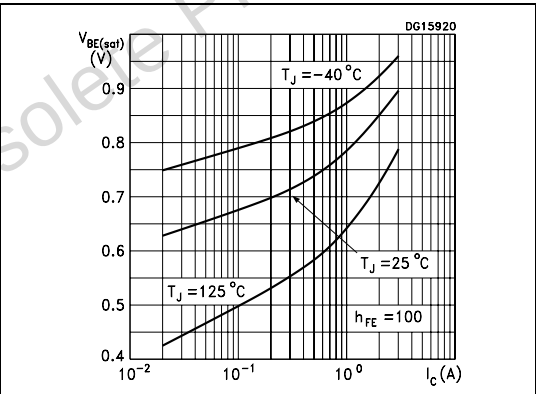


Figure 6. Resistive load switching time (ON)

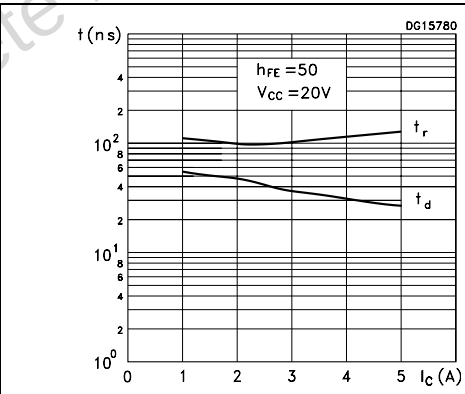
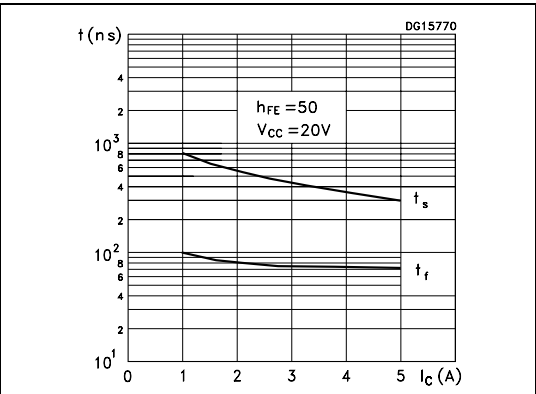
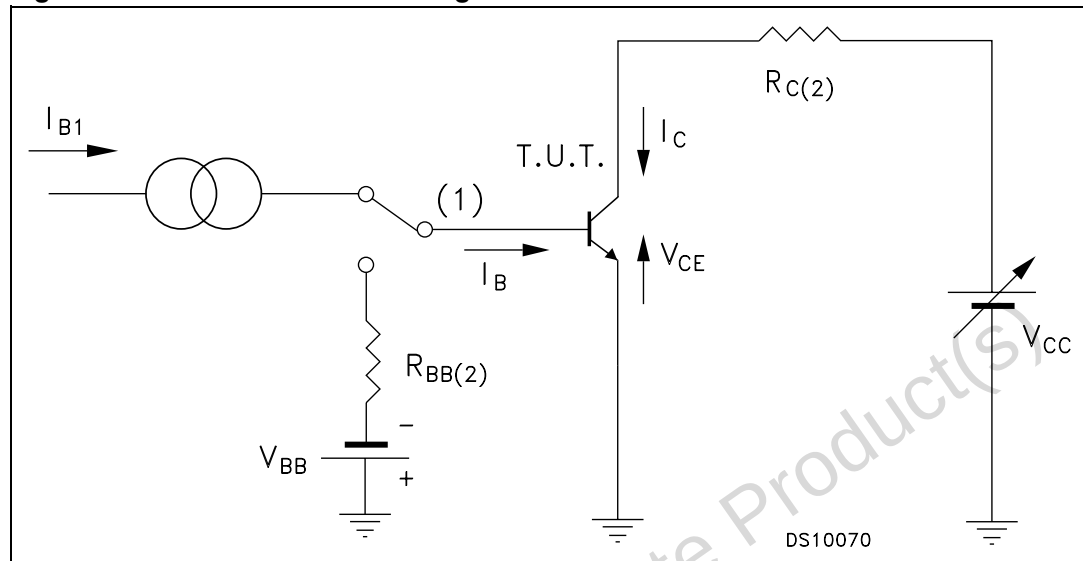


Figure 7. Resistive load switching time (OFF)



2.2 Test circuits

Figure 8. Resistive load switching test circuit



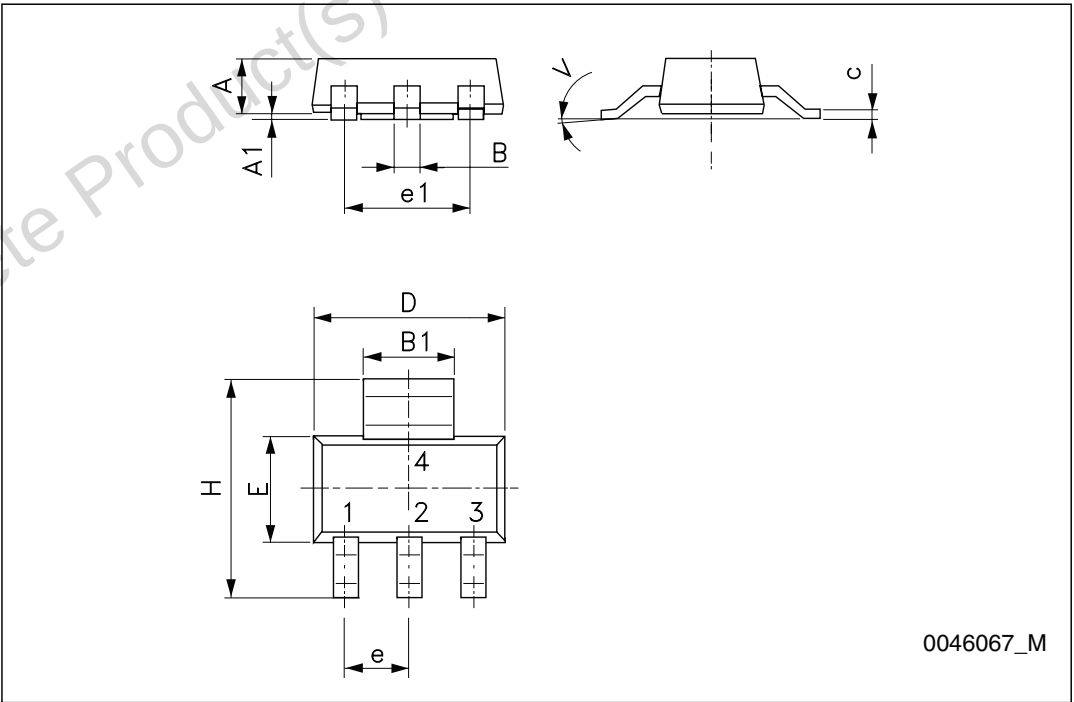
1. Fast electronic switch
2. Non-inductive resistor

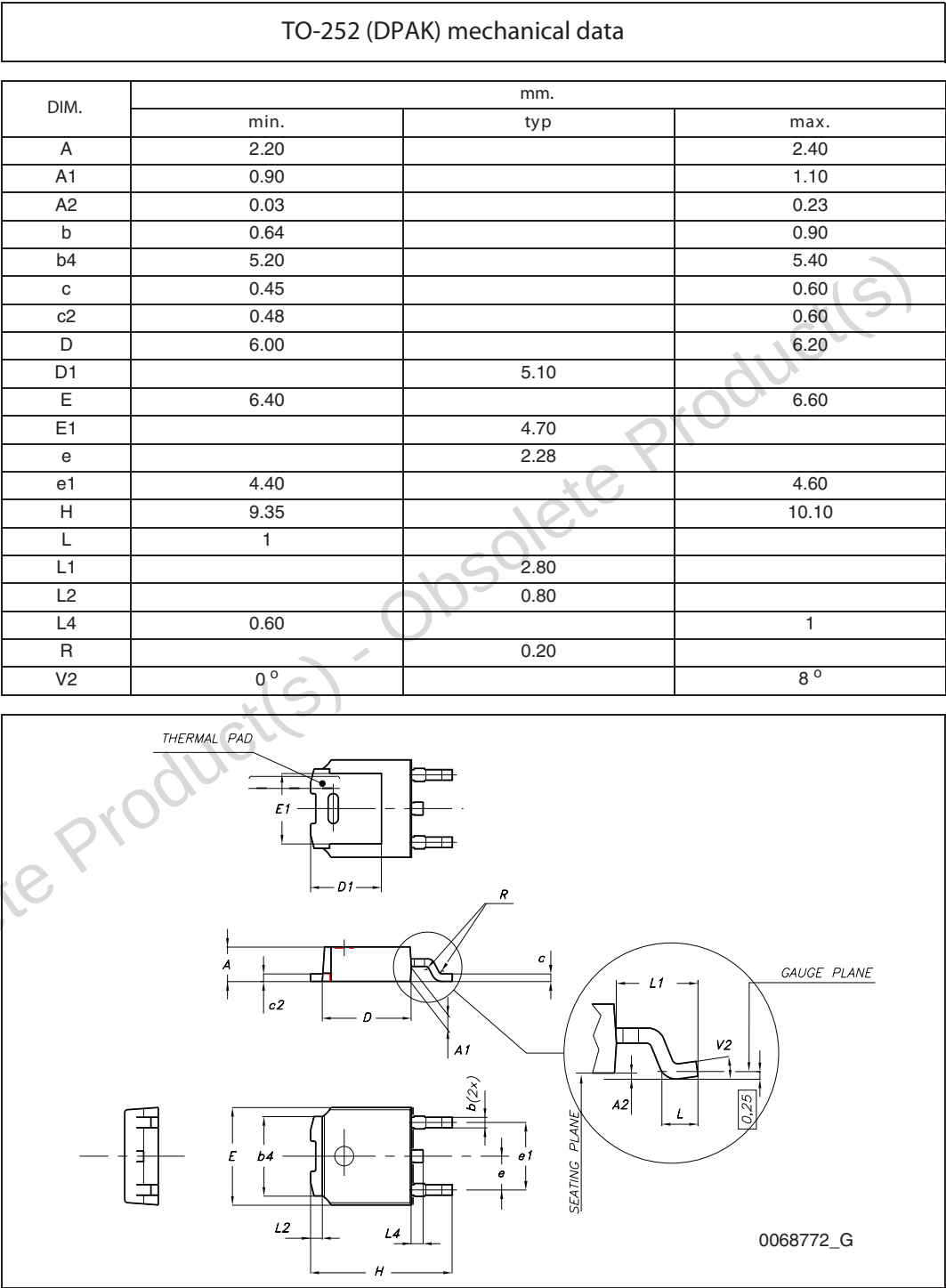
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SOT-223 mechanical data			
Dim.	mm.		
	Min.	Typ.	Max.
A			1.80
A1	0.02		0.1
B	0.60	0.70	0.85
B1	2.90	3.00	3.15
c	0.24	0.26	0.35
D	6.30	6.50	6.70
e		2.30	
e1		4.60	
E	3.30	3.50	3.70
H	6.70	7.00	7.30
V			10 °





4 Revision history

Table 5. Document revision history

Date	Revision	Changes
21-Aug-2007	1	Initial release.
30-Aug-2010	2	Inserted STD878T4 order code Table 1 on page 1 .

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