



PBSS4021NZ

20 V, 8 A NPN low V_{CEsat} transistor

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Product data sheet

1. General description

NPN low V_{CEsat} transistor in a SOT223 (SC-73) medium power Surface-Mounted Device (SMD) plastic package.

PNP complement: PBSS4021PZ

2. Features and benefits

- Very low collector-emitter saturation voltage V_{CEsat}
- High collector current capability I_C and I_{CM}
- High collector current gain (h_{FE}) at high I_C
- High energy efficiency due to less heat generation
- Smaller required Printed-Circuit Board (PCB) area than for conventional transistors
- AEC-Q101 qualified

3. Applications

- Loadswitch
- Battery-driven devices
- Power management
- Charging circuits
- Power switches (e.g. motors, fans)

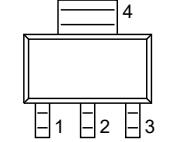
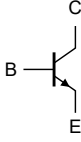
4. Quick reference data

Table 1. Quick reference data

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
V _{CEO}	collector-emitter voltage	open base	-	-	20	V
I _C	collector current		-	-	8	A
I _{CM}	peak collector current	single pulse; t _p ≤ 1 ms	-	-	20	A
R _{CEsat}	collector-emitter saturation resistance	I _C = 6 A; I _B = 600 mA; pulsed; t _p ≤ 300 μs; δ ≤ 0.02; T _{amb} = 25 °C	-	14	20	mΩ

5. Pinning information

Table 2. Pinning information

Pin	Symbol	Description	Simplified outline	Graphic symbol
1	B	base	 SC-73 (SOT223)	 sym123
2	C	collector		
3	E	emitter		
4	C	collector		

6. Ordering information

Table 3. Ordering information

Type number	Package		
	Name	Description	Version
PBSS4021NZ	SC-73	plastic, surface-mounted package with increased heatsink; 4 leads; 2.3 mm pitch; 6.5 mm x 3.5 mm x 1.65 mm body	SOT223

7. Marking

Table 4. Marking codes

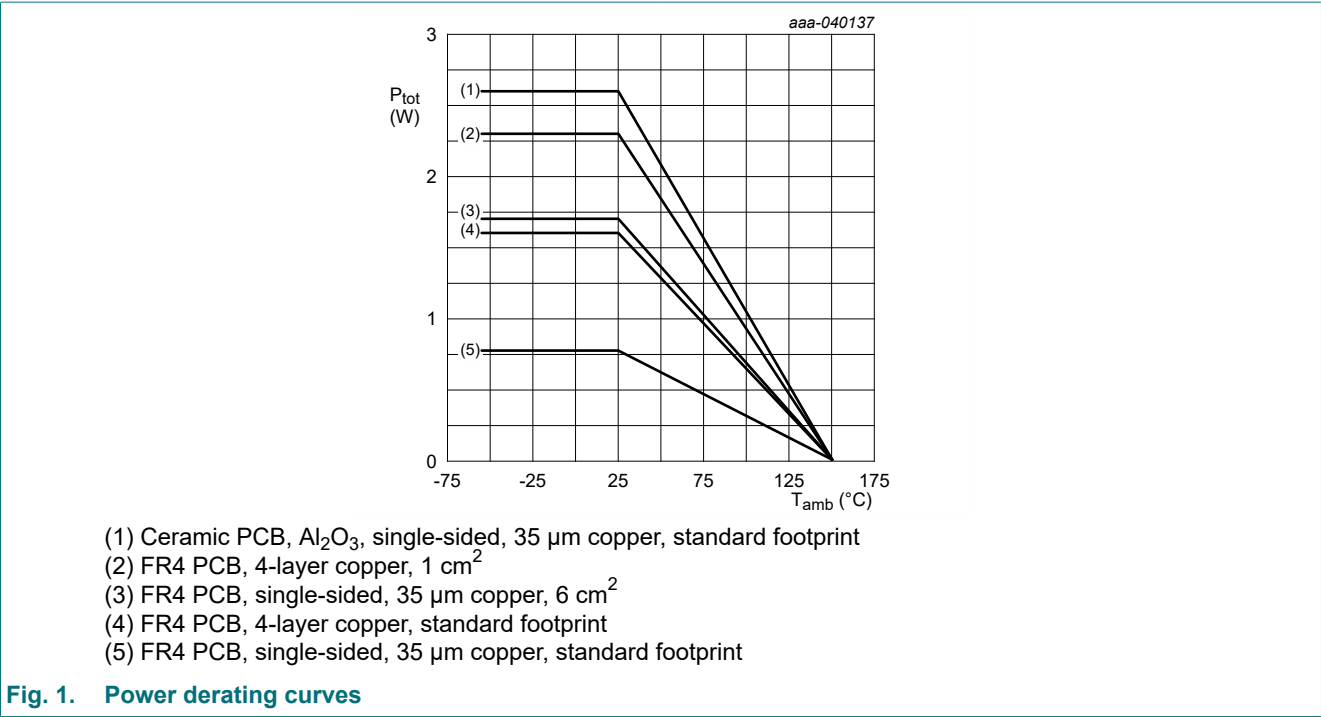
Type number	Marking code
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8. Limiting values

Table 5. Limiting values
In accordance with the Absolute Maximum Rating System (IEC 60134).

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions		Min	Max	Unit
V _{CBO}	collector-base voltage	open emitter		-	20	V
V _{CEO}	collector-emitter voltage	open base		-	20	V
V _{EBO}	emitter-base voltage	open collector		-	5	V
I _C	collector current			-	8	A
I _{CM}	peak collector current	single pulse; t _p ≤ 1 ms		-	20	A
I _B	base current			-	1	A
P _{tot}	total power dissipation	T _{amb} ≤ 25 °C	[1]	-	0.77	W
			[2]	-	1.7	W
			[3]	-	1.6	W
			[4]	-	2.3	W
			[5]	-	2.6	W
T _j	junction temperature			-	150	°C
T _{amb}	ambient temperature			-55	150	°C
T _{stg}	storage temperature			-65	150	°C

- [1] Device mounted on an FR4 Printed-Circuit Board (PCB), single-sided, 35 µm copper, tin-plated and standard footprint.
- [2] Device mounted on an FR4 PCB, single-sided, 35 µm copper, tin-plated, mounting pad for collector 6 cm².
- [3] Device mounted on an FR4 PCB, 4-layer, tin-plated and standard footprint.
- [4] Device mounted on an FR4 PCB, 4-layer, tin-plated, mounting pad for collector 1 cm².
- [5] Device mounted on a ceramic PCB, Al₂O₃, single-sided, 35 µm copper, tin-plated and standard footprint.



9. Thermal characteristics

Table 6. Thermal characteristics

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions		Min	Typ	Max	Unit
$R_{th(j-a)}$	thermal resistance from junction to ambient	in free air	[1]	-	-	160	K/W
			[2]	-	-	75	K/W
			[3]	-	-	80	K/W
			[4]	-	-	55	K/W
			[5]	-	-	50	K/W
$R_{th(j-sp)}$	thermal resistance from junction to solder point			-	-	11	K/W

- [1] Device mounted on an FR4 PCB, single-sided, 35 µm copper, tin-plated and standard footprint.
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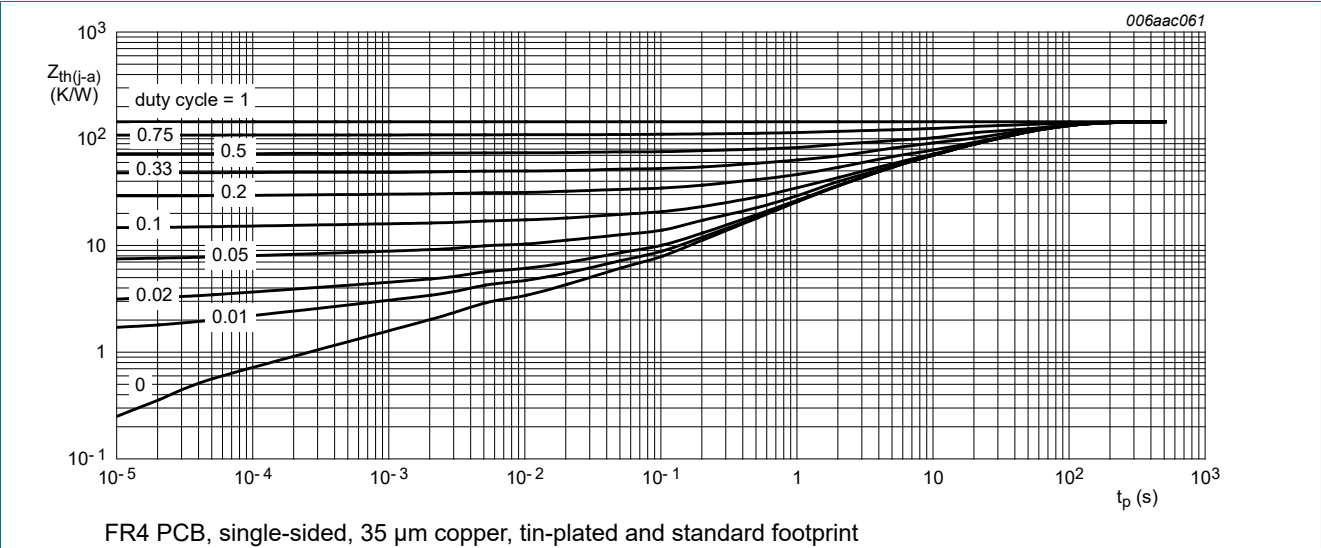


Fig. 2. Transient thermal impedance from junction to ambient as a function of pulse duration; typical values

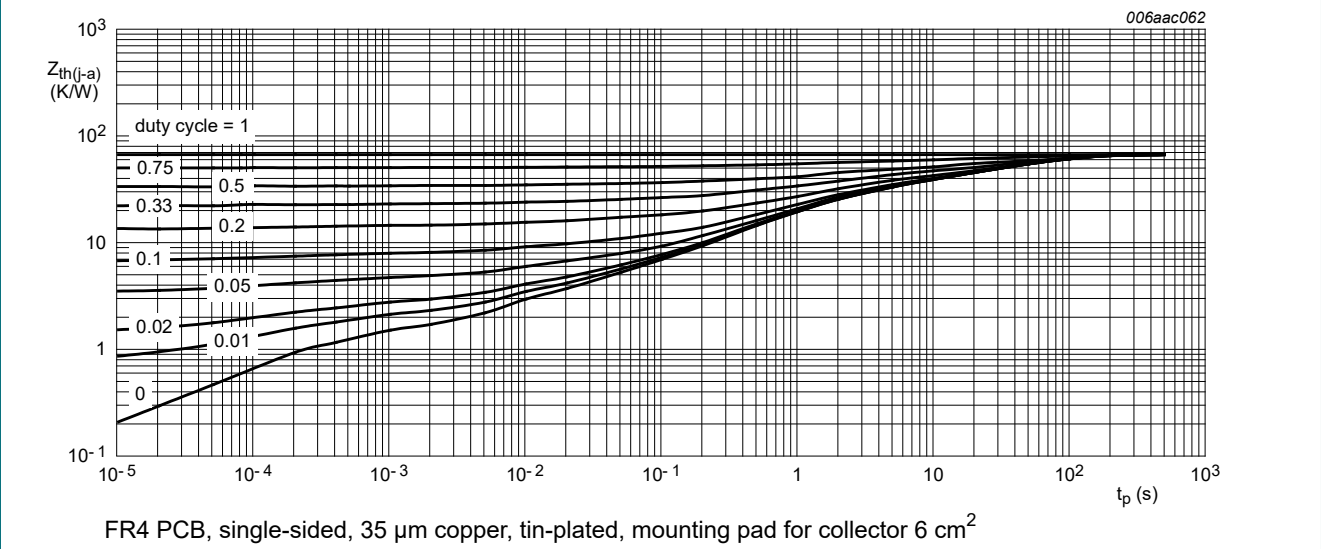
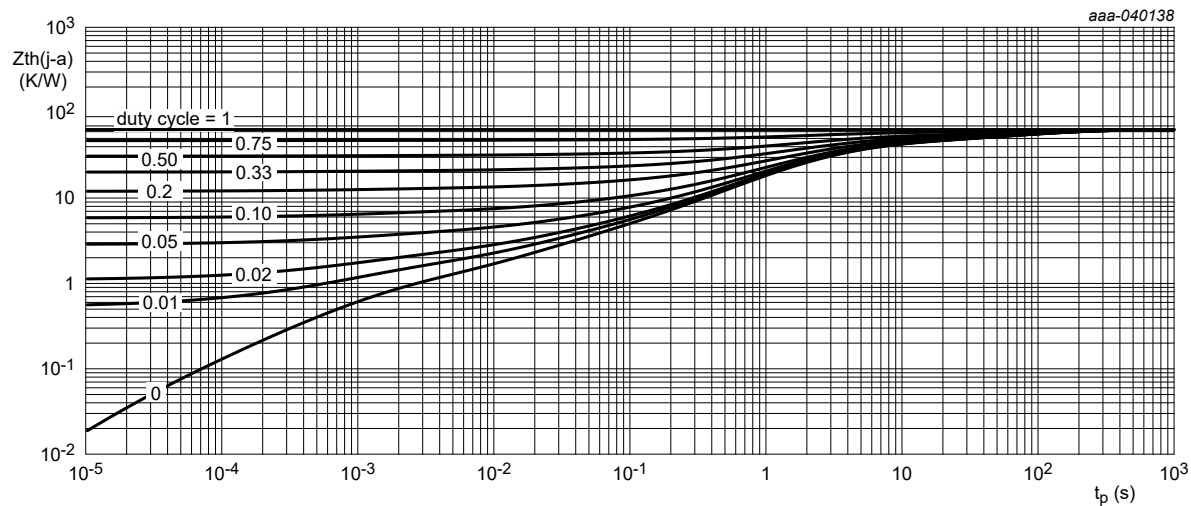
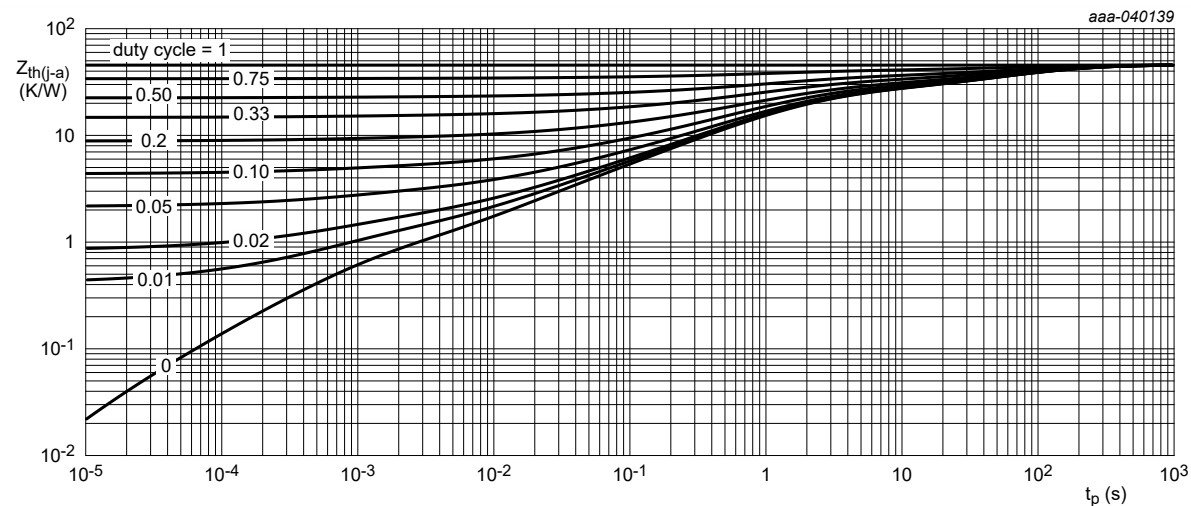


Fig. 3. Transient thermal impedance from junction to ambient as a function of pulse duration; typical values



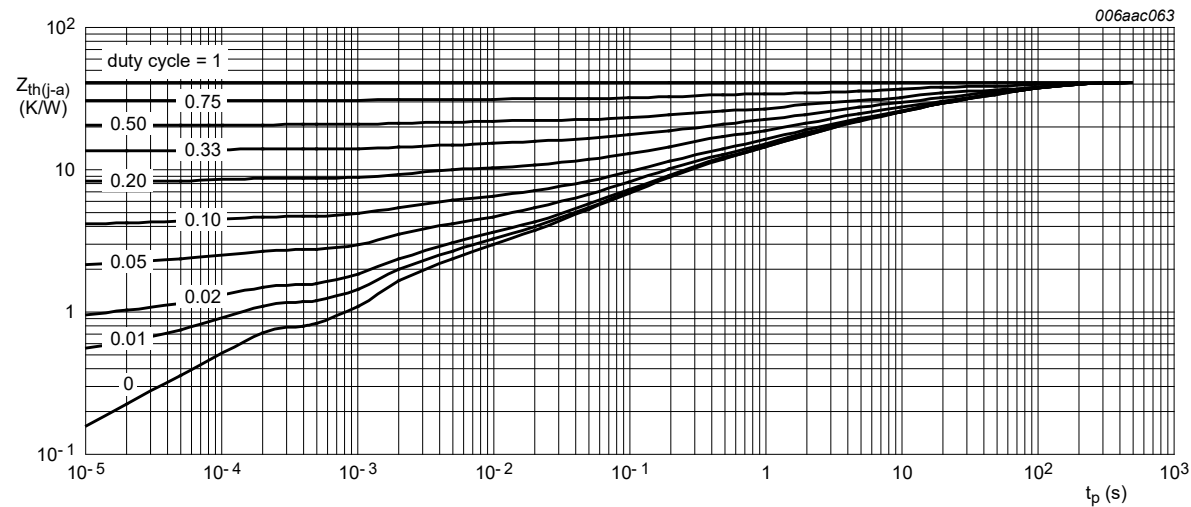
FR4 PCB, 4-layer, tin-plated and standard footprint

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FR4 PCB, 4-layer, tin-plated mounting pad for collector 1 cm².

Fig. 5. Transient thermal impedance from junction to ambient as a function of pulse duration; typical values



Ceramic PCB, Al₂O₃, standard footprint

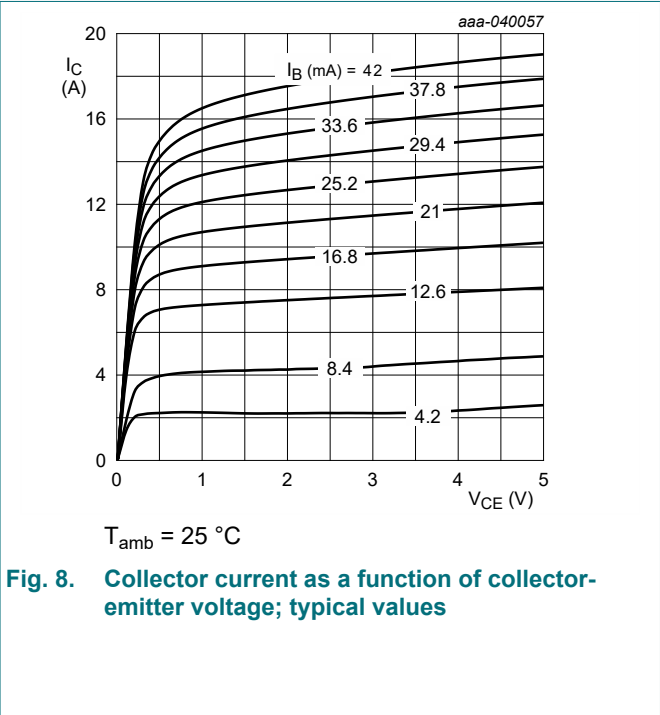
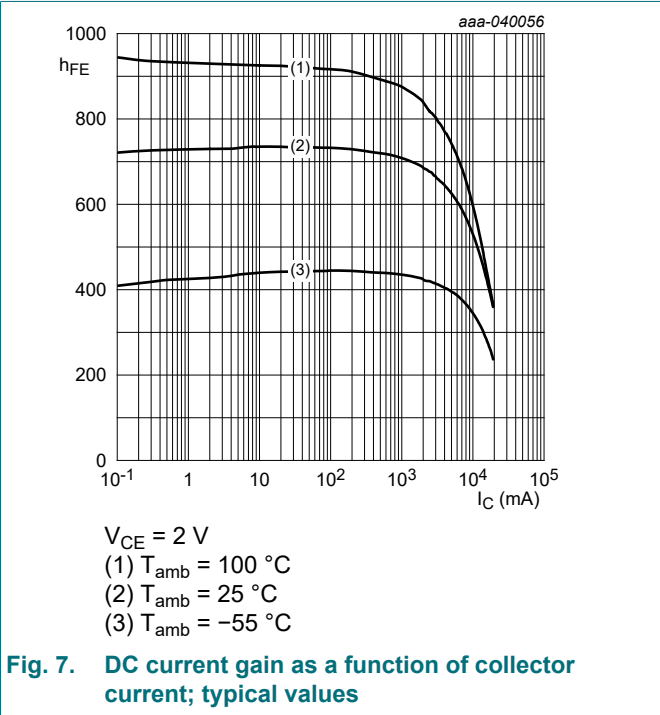
Fig. 6. Transient thermal impedance from junction to ambient as a function of pulse duration; typical values

10. Characteristics

Table 7. Characteristics

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions		Min	Typ	Max	Unit
$V_{(BR)CBO}$	collector-base breakdown voltage	$I_C = 100\text{ }\mu\text{A}$; $I_E = 0\text{ A}$; $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		20	-	-	V
$V_{(BR)CEO}$	collector-emitter breakdown voltage	$I_C = 10\text{ mA}$; $I_B = 0\text{ A}$; $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		20	-	-	V
$V_{(BR)EBO}$	emitter-base breakdown voltage	$I_E = 100\text{ }\mu\text{A}$; $I_C = 0\text{ A}$; $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		5	-	-	V
I_{CBO}	collector-base cut-off current	$V_{CB} = 20\text{ V}$; $I_E = 0\text{ A}$; $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		-	-	100	nA
		$V_{CB} = 20\text{ V}$; $I_E = 0\text{ A}$; $T_J = 150\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		-	-	50	μA
I_{CES}	collector-emitter cut-off current	$V_{CE} = 16\text{ V}$; $V_{BE} = 0\text{ V}$; $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		-	-	100	nA
I_{EBO}	emitter-base cut-off current	$V_{EB} = 5\text{ V}$; $I_C = 0\text{ A}$; $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		-	-	100	nA
h_{FE}	DC current gain	$V_{CE} = 2\text{ V}$; $I_C = 500\text{ mA}$; pulsed; $t_p \leq 300\text{ }\mu\text{s}$; $\delta \leq 0.02$; $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		300	620	-	
		$V_{CE} = 2\text{ V}$; $I_C = 1\text{ A}$; pulsed; $t_p \leq 300\text{ }\mu\text{s}$; $\delta \leq 0.02$; $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		300	605	-	
		$V_{CE} = 2\text{ V}$; $I_C = 2\text{ A}$; pulsed; $t_p \leq 300\text{ }\mu\text{s}$; $\delta \leq 0.02$; $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		300	590	-	
		$V_{CE} = 2\text{ V}$; $I_C = 4\text{ A}$; pulsed; $t_p \leq 300\text{ }\mu\text{s}$; $\delta \leq 0.02$; $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		250	550	-	
		$V_{CE} = 2\text{ V}$; $I_C = 8\text{ A}$; pulsed; $t_p \leq 300\text{ }\mu\text{s}$; $\delta \leq 0.02$; $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		250	480	-	
V_{CEsat}	collector-emitter saturation voltage	$I_C = 1\text{ A}$; $I_B = 10\text{ mA}$; pulsed; $t_p \leq 300\text{ }\mu\text{s}$; $\delta \leq 0.02$; $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		-	30	40	mV
		$I_C = 1\text{ A}$; $I_B = 50\text{ mA}$; pulsed; $t_p \leq 300\text{ }\mu\text{s}$; $\delta \leq 0.02$; $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		-	20	30	mV
		$I_C = 2\text{ A}$; $I_B = 40\text{ mA}$; pulsed; $t_p \leq 300\text{ }\mu\text{s}$; $\delta \leq 0.02$; $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		-	40	55	mV
		$I_C = 4\text{ A}$; $I_B = 40\text{ mA}$; pulsed; $t_p \leq 300\text{ }\mu\text{s}$; $\delta \leq 0.02$; $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		-	75	105	mV
		$I_C = 4\text{ A}$; $I_B = 200\text{ mA}$; pulsed; $t_p \leq 300\text{ }\mu\text{s}$; $\delta \leq 0.02$; $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		-	60	85	mV
		$I_C = 8\text{ A}$; $I_B = 400\text{ mA}$; pulsed; $t_p \leq 300\text{ }\mu\text{s}$; $\delta \leq 0.02$; $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		-	120	170	mV
R_{CEsat}	collector-emitter saturation resistance	$I_C = 6\text{ A}$; $I_B = 600\text{ mA}$; pulsed; $t_p \leq 300\text{ }\mu\text{s}$; $\delta \leq 0.02$; $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		-	14	20	m Ω
V_{BEsat}	base-emitter saturation voltage	$I_C = 1\text{ A}$; $I_B = 100\text{ mA}$; pulsed; $t_p \leq 300\text{ }\mu\text{s}$; $\delta \leq 0.02$; $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		-	0.83	0.9	V
		$I_C = 4\text{ A}$; $I_B = 400\text{ mA}$; pulsed; $t_p \leq 300\text{ }\mu\text{s}$; $\delta \leq 0.02$; $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		-	0.97	1.05	V
V_{BE}	base-emitter voltage	$V_{CE} = 2\text{ V}$; $I_C = 2\text{ A}$; pulsed; $t_p \leq 300\text{ }\mu\text{s}$; $\delta \leq 0.02$; $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		-	0.73	0.85	V

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
t_d	delay time	$V_{CC} = 12.5\text{ V}; I_C = 1\text{ A}; I_{B(on)} = 0.05\text{ A};$ $I_{B(off)} = -0.05\text{ A}; T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$	-	70	-	ns
t_r	rise time		-	40	-	ns
t_{on}	turn-on time		-	110	-	ns
t_s	storage time		-	545	-	ns
t_f	fall time		-	60	-	ns
t_{off}	turn-off time		-	605	-	ns
f_T	transition frequency	$V_{CE} = 10\text{ V}; I_C = 100\text{ mA}; f = 100\text{ MHz};$ $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$	-	90	-	MHz
C_c	collector capacitance	$V_{CB} = 10\text{ V}; I_E = 0\text{ A}; i_e = 0\text{ A}; f = 1\text{ MHz};$ $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$	-	116	-	pF



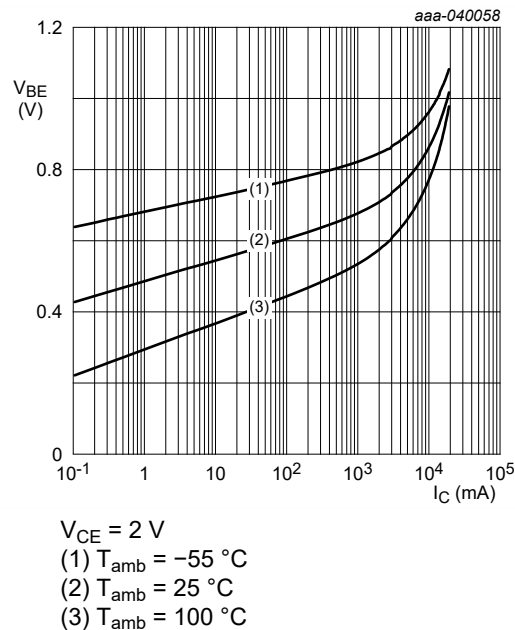


Fig. 9. Base-emitter voltage as a function of collector current; typical values

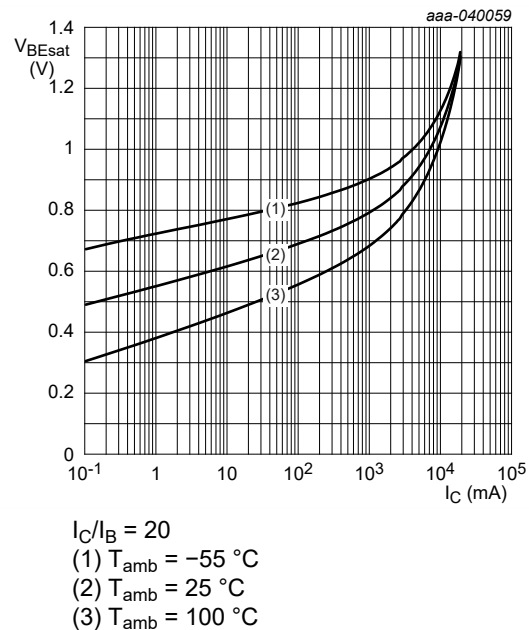


Fig. 10. Base-emitter saturation voltage as a function of collector current; typical values

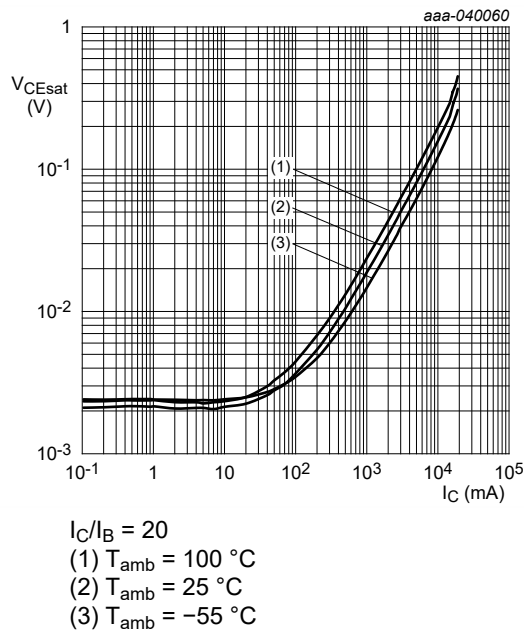


Fig. 11. Collector-emitter saturation voltage as a function of collector current; typical values

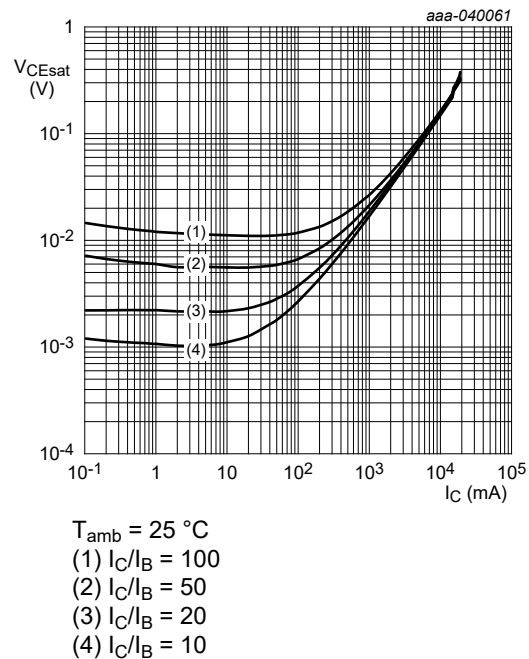


Fig. 12. Collector-emitter saturation voltage as a function of collector current; typical values

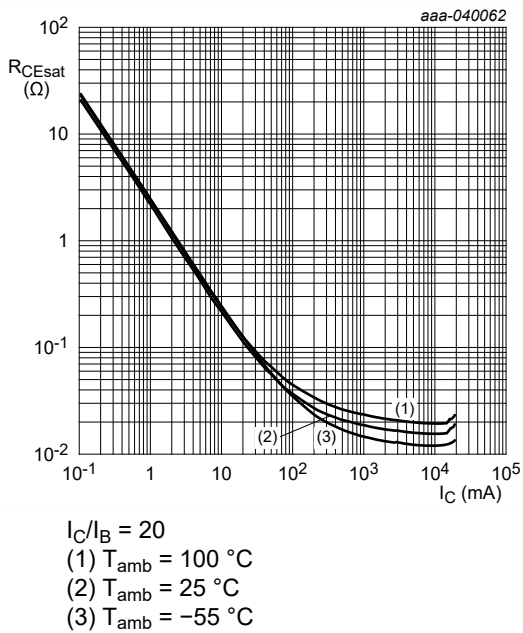


Fig. 13. Collector-emitter saturation resistance as a function of collector current; typical values

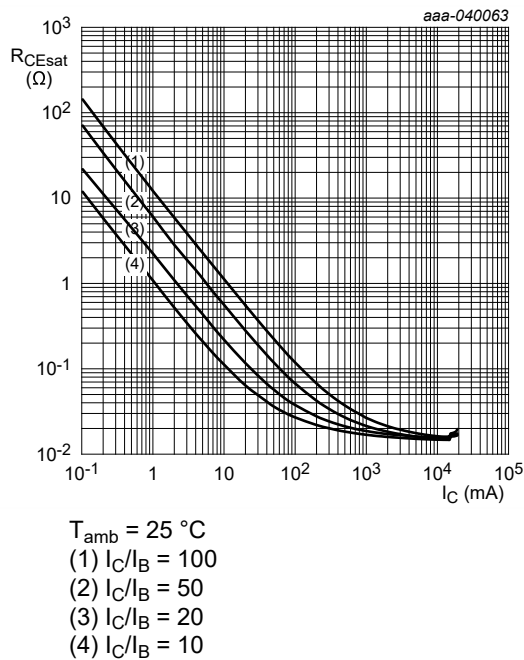


Fig. 14. Collector-emitter saturation resistance as a function of collector current; typical values

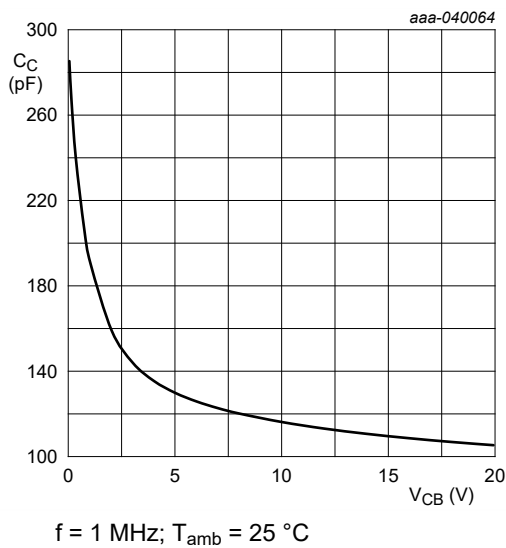


Fig. 15. Collector capacitance as a function of collector-base voltage; typical values

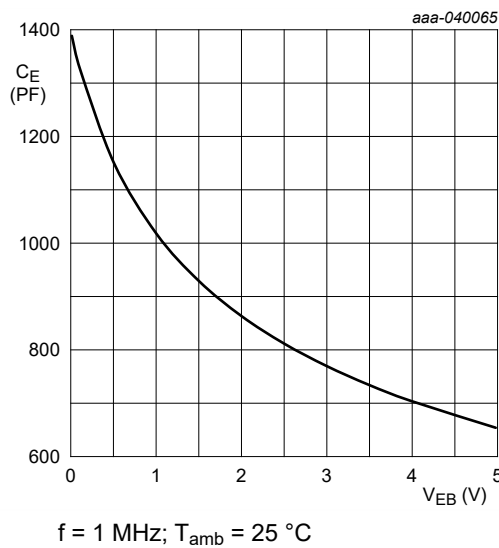


Fig. 16. Emitter capacitance as a function of emitter-base voltage; typical values

11. Test information

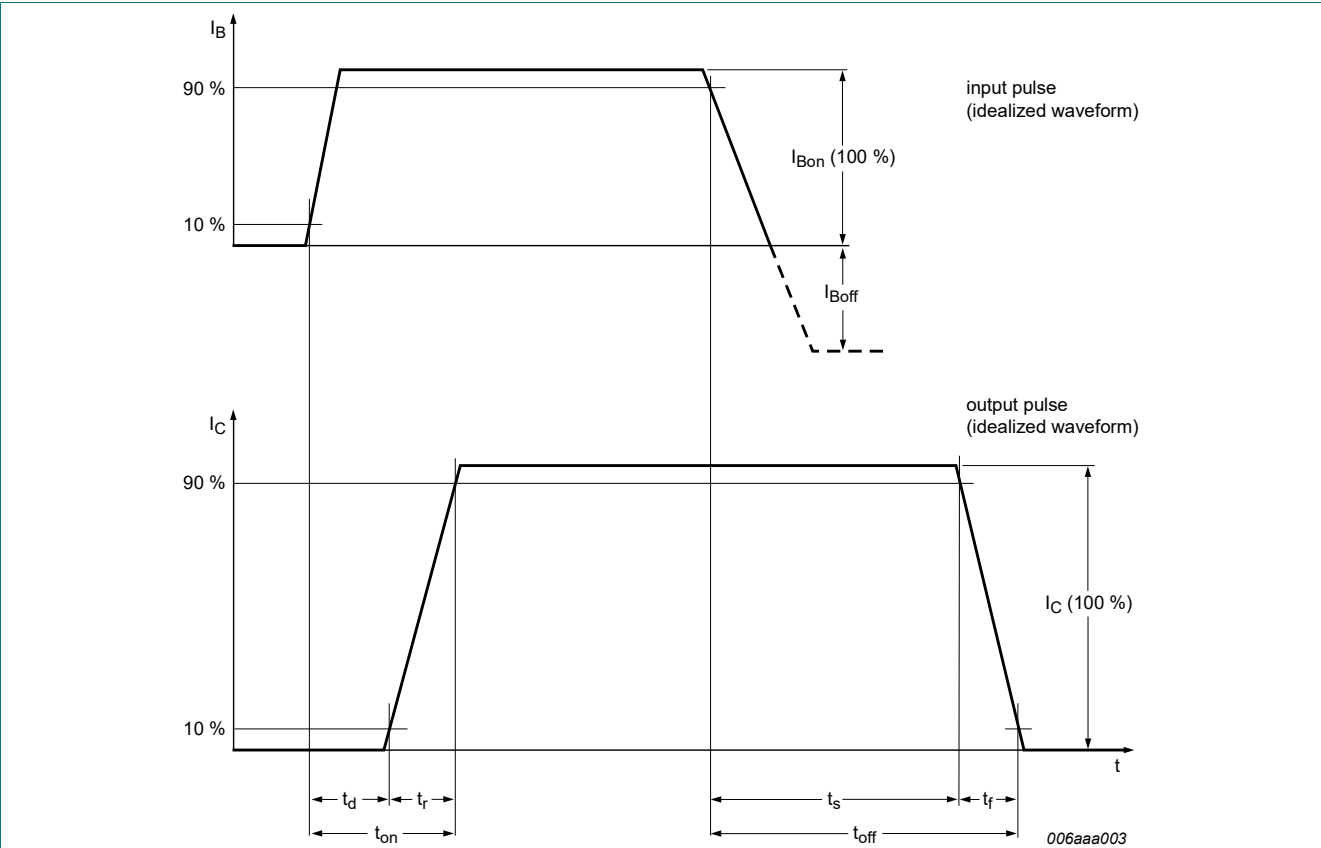


Fig. 17. Switching time definition

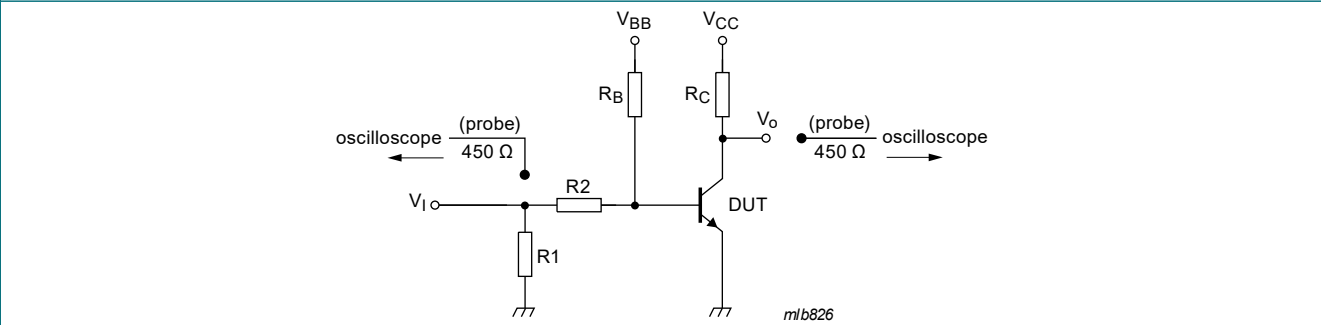
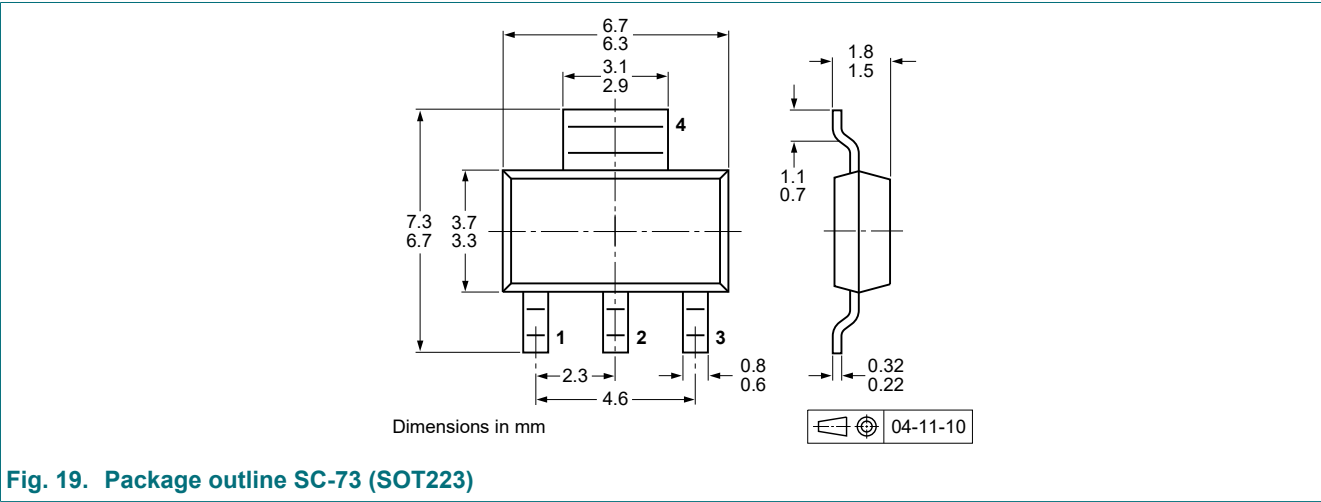


Fig. 18. Test circuit for switching times

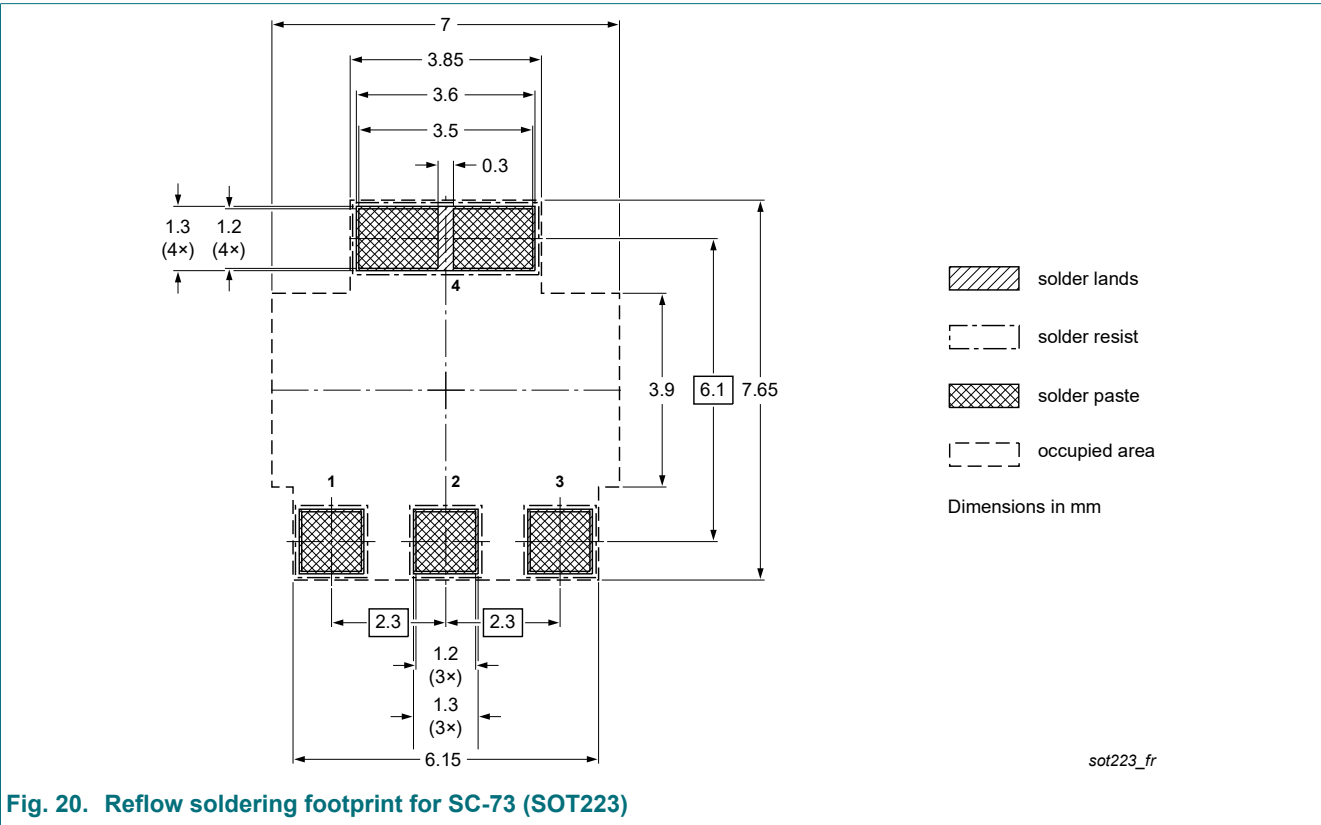
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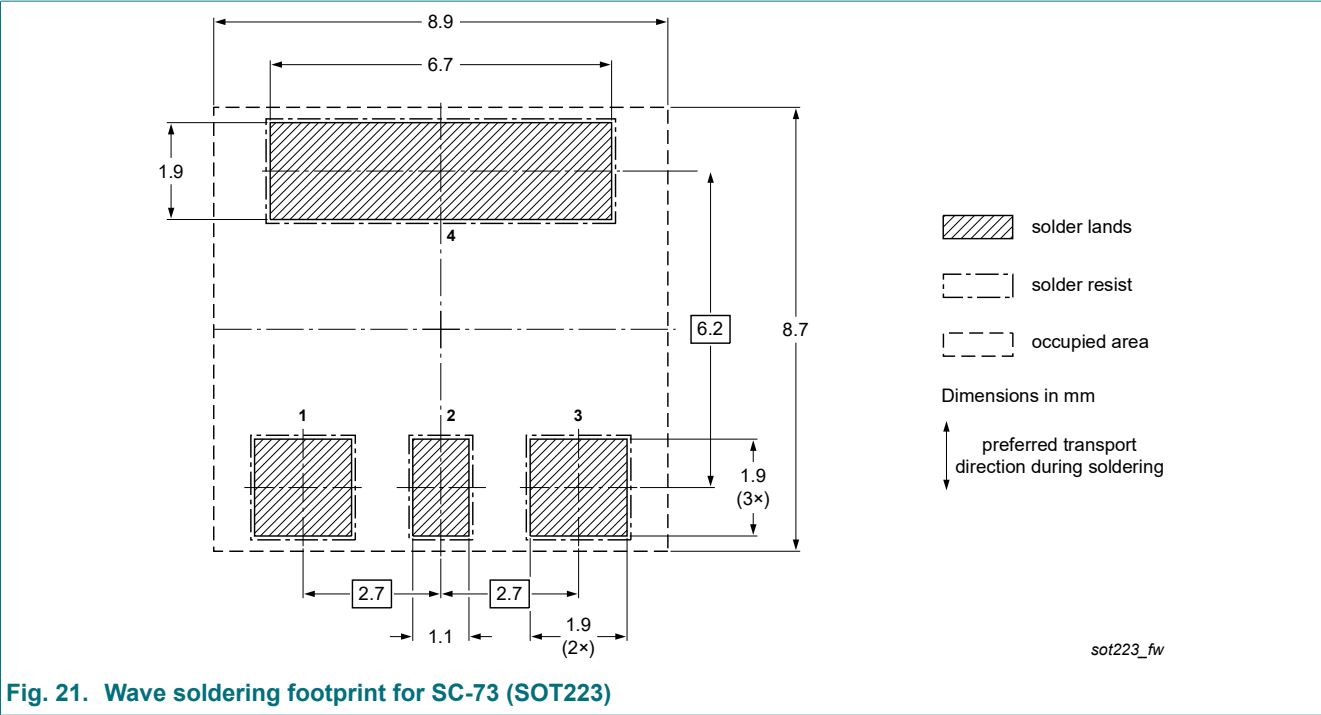
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12. Package outline



13. Soldering





14. Revision history

Table 8. Revision history

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