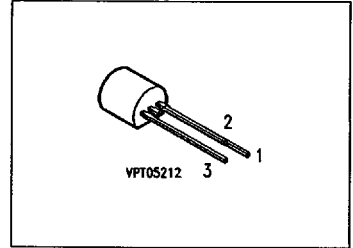


NPN Silicon AF Transistors

BC 237
... BC 239

- High current gain
- Low collector-emitter saturation voltage
- Complementary types: BC 307, BC 308, BC 309 (PNP)



Type	Marking	Ordering Code	Pin Configuration			Package ¹⁾
			1	2	3	
BC 237	—	Q62702-C697	C	B	E	TO-92
BC 237 A		Q62702-C276				
BC 237 B		Q62702-C277				
BC 238		Q62702-C698				
BC 238 A		Q62702-C278				
BC 238 B		Q62702-C279				
BC 238 C		Q62702-C280				
BC 239		Q62702-C699				
BC 239 B		Q62702-C281				
BC 239 C		Q62702-C282				

¹⁾ For detailed information see chapter Package Outlines.

Maximum Ratings

Parameter	Symbol	Values			Unit
		BC 237	BC 238	BC 239	
Collector-emitter voltage	V_{CE0}	45	20	20	V
Collector-base voltage	V_{CB0}	50	30	30	
Emitter-base voltage	V_{EB0}	6	5	5	
Collector current	I_C	100			mA
Peak collector current	I_{CM}	200			
Peak base current	I_{BM}	200			
Peak emitter current	I_{EM}	200			
Total power dissipation, $T_C = 70\text{ °C}$	P_{tot}	500			mW
Junction temperature	T_j	150			°C
Storage temperature range	T_{stg}	- 65 ... + 150			

Thermal Resistance

Junction - ambient	R_{thJA}	≤ 250	K/W
Junction - case ¹⁾	R_{thJC}	≤ 160	

¹⁾ Mounted on Al-heat sink 15 mm × 25 mm × 0.5 mm.

Electrical Characteristicsat $T_A = 25\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$, unless otherwise specified.

Parameter	Symbol	Values			Unit
		min.	typ.	max.	
DC characteristics					
Collector-emitter breakdown voltage $I_C = 2\text{ mA}$	$V_{(BR)CEO}$				V
BC 237		45	—	—	
BC 238		20	—	—	
BC 239		20	—	—	
Collector-base breakdown voltage $I_C = 10\text{ }\mu\text{A}$	$V_{(BR)CBO}$				
BC 237		50	—	—	
BC 238		30	—	—	
BC 239		30	—	—	
Emitter-base breakdown voltage $I_E = 1\text{ }\mu\text{A}$	$V_{(BR)EBO}$				
BC 237		6	—	—	
BC 238, BC 239		5	—	—	
Collector cutoff current $V_{CB} = 30\text{ V}$ $V_{CB} = 50\text{ V}$ $V_{CB} = 30\text{ V}, T_A = 150\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ $V_{CB} = 50\text{ V}, T_A = 150\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$	I_{CBO}				nA nA μA μA
		—	—	15	
		—	—	15	
		—	—	4	
		—	—	4	
DC current gain $I_C = 10\text{ }\mu\text{A}; V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$ BC 237 A, BC 238 A BC 237 B, BC 238 B, BC 239 B BC 238 C, BC 239 C $I_C = 2\text{ mA}; V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$ BC 237 A, BC 238 A, BC 239 A BC 237 B, BC 238 B, BC 239 B BC 238 C, BC 239 C	h_{FE}				—
		—	90	—	
		—	150	—	
		—	270	—	
		110	180	220	
		200	290	450	
		420	520	800	
Collector-emitter saturation voltage ¹⁾ $I_C = 10\text{ mA}; I_B = 0.5\text{ mA}$ $I_C = 100\text{ mA}; I_B = 5\text{ mA}$	V_{CEsat}				mV
		—	90	250	
		—	200	600	
Base-emitter saturation voltage ¹⁾ $I_C = 10\text{ mA}; I_B = 0.5\text{ mA}$ $I_C = 100\text{ mA}; I_B = 5\text{ mA}$	V_{BEsat}				
		—	700	—	
		—	900	—	
Base-emitter voltage $I_C = 2\text{ mA}; V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$ $I_C = 10\text{ mA}; V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$	$V_{BE(on)}$				
		580	660	700	
		—	—	770	

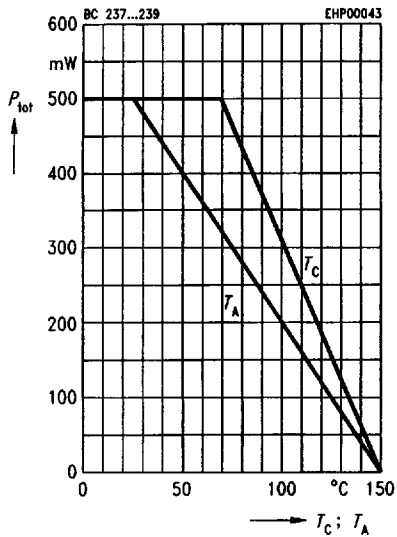
¹⁾ Pulse test: $t \leq 300\text{ }\mu\text{s}, D \leq 2\text{ }\%$.

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Electrical Characteristicsat $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$, unless otherwise specified.

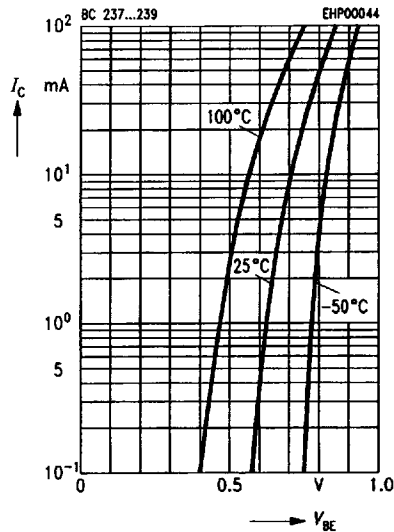
Parameter	Symbol	Values			Unit
		min.	typ.	max.	
AC characteristics					
Transition frequency $I_C = 20\text{ mA}$, $V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, $f = 100\text{ MHz}$	f_T	—	200	—	MHz
Output capacitance $V_{CB} = 10\text{ V}$, $f = 1\text{ MHz}$	C_{obo}	—	3	—	pF
Input capacitance $V_{EB} = 0.5\text{ V}$, $f = 1\text{ MHz}$	C_{ibo}	—	8	—	
Short-circuit input impedance $I_C = 2\text{ mA}$, $V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, $f = 1\text{ kHz}$ BC 237 A, BC 238 A BC 237 B, BC 238 B, BC 239 B BC 238 C, BC 239 C	h_{11e}				k Ω
		—	2.7	—	
		—	4.5	—	
		—	8.7	—	
Open-circuit reverse voltage transfer ratio $I_C = 2\text{ mA}$, $V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, $f = 1\text{ kHz}$ BC 237 A, BC 238 A BC 237 B, BC 238 B, BC 239 B BC 238 C, BC 239 C	h_{12e}				10^{-4}
		—	1.5	—	
		—	2	—	
		—	3	—	
Short-circuit forward current transfer ratio $I_C = 2\text{ mA}$, $V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, $f = 1\text{ kHz}$ BC 237 A, BC 238 A BC 237 B, BC 238 B, BC 239 B BC 238 C, BC 239 C	h_{21e}				—
		—	200	—	
		—	330	—	
		—	600	—	
Open-circuit output admittance $I_C = 2\text{ mA}$, $V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, $f = 1\text{ kHz}$ BC 237 A, BC 238 A BC 237 B, BC 238 B, BC 239 B BC 238 C, BC 239 C	h_{22e}				μS
		—	18	—	
		—	30	—	
		—	60	—	
Noise figure $I_C = 0.2\text{ mA}$, $V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, $R_S = 2\text{ k}\Omega$ $f = 1\text{ kHz}$, $\Delta f = 200\text{ Hz}$ BC 239 $I_C = 0.2\text{ mA}$, $V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$, $R_S = 2\text{ k}\Omega$ $f = 1\text{ kHz}$, $\Delta f = 200\text{ Hz}$ BC 237, BC 238	F				dB
		—	1.2	4	
		—	2	—	

Total power dissipation $P_{tot} = f(T_A; T_C)$

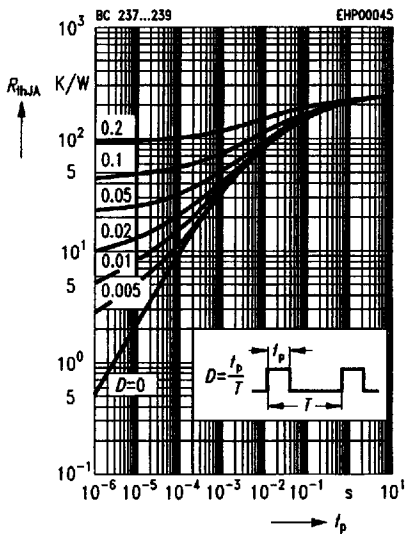


Collector current $I_C = f(V_{BE})$

$V_{CE} = 5 V$

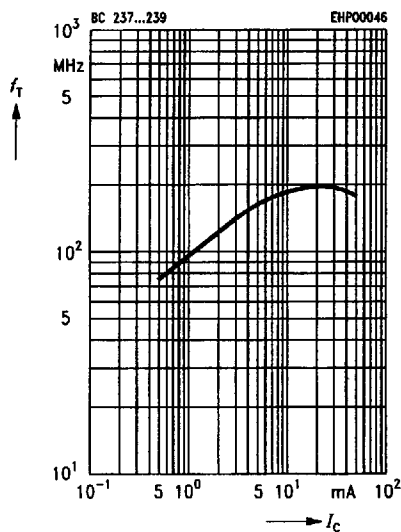


Permissible pulse load $R_{thJA} = f(t_p)$

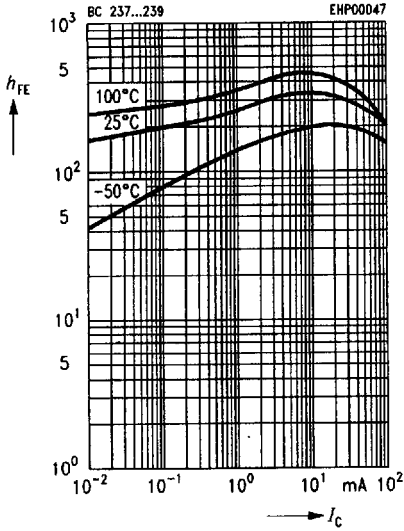


Transition frequency $f_T = f(I_C)$

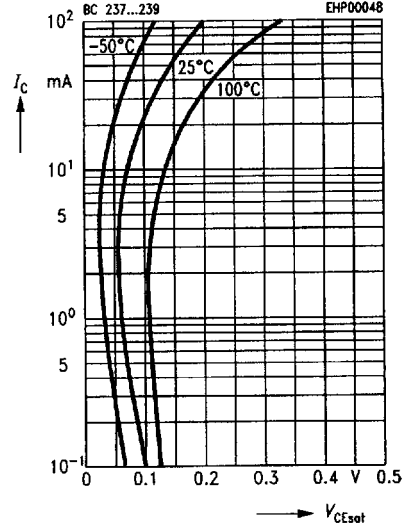
$V_{CE} = 5 V, f = 100 \text{ MHz}$



DC current gain $h_{FE} = f(I_C)$
 $V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$ (common emitter configuration)

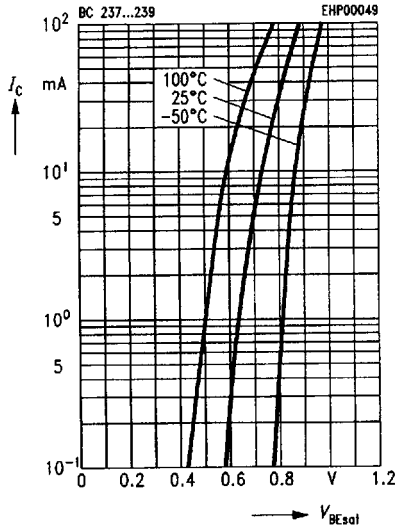


Collector-emitter saturation voltage
 $V_{CEsat} = f(I_C)$
 $h_{FE} = 20$



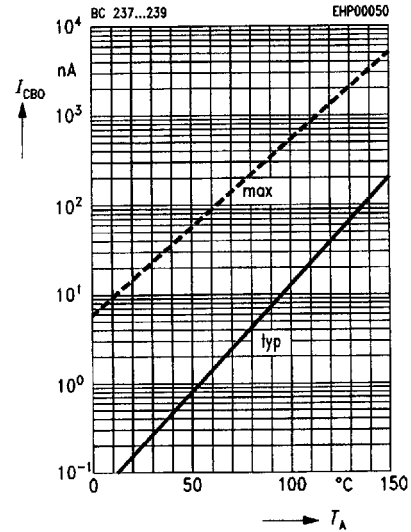
Base-emitter saturation voltage

$V_{BEsat} = f(I_C)$
 $h_{FE} = 20$



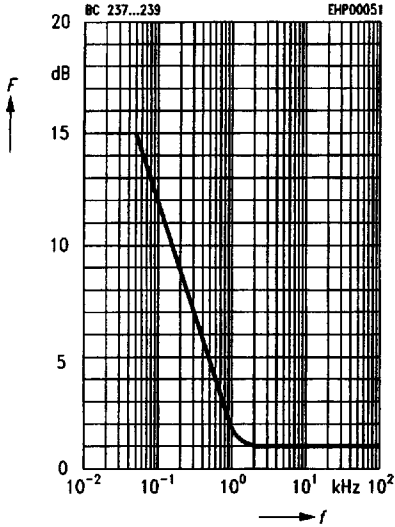
Collector cutoff current $I_{CBO} = f(T_A)$

$V_{CB} = 30\text{ V}$



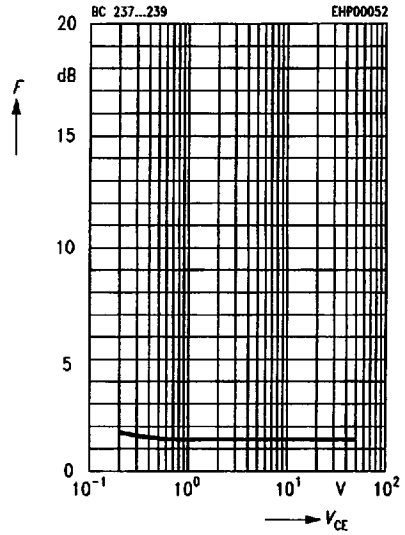
Noise figure $F = f(f)$

$I_c = 0.2 \text{ mA}$, $f = 1 \text{ kHz}$, $R_s = 2 \text{ k}\Omega$



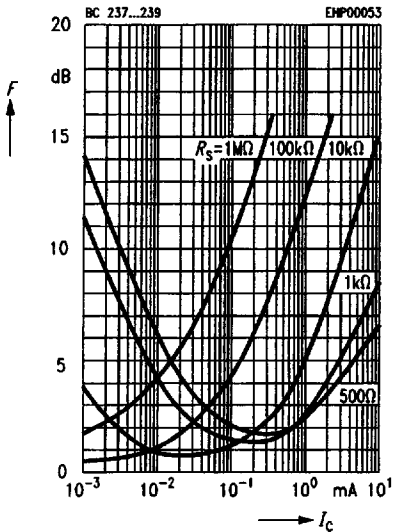
Noise figure $F = f(V_{CE})$

$I_c = 0.2 \text{ mA}$, $R_s = 2 \text{ k}\Omega$, $f = 1 \text{ kHz}$
 $\Delta f = 200 \text{ Hz}$, $T_A = 25^\circ \text{C}$



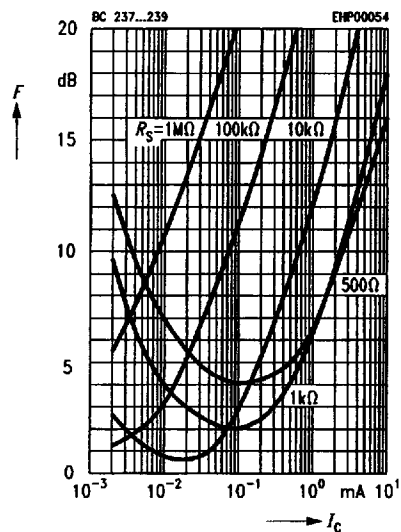
Noise figure $F = f(I_c)$

$V_{CE} = 5 \text{ V}$, $f = 120 \text{ kHz}$



Noise figure $F = f(I_c)$

$V_{CE} = 5 \text{ V}$, $f = 1 \text{ Hz}$



h parameter $h_o = f(I_C)$

Capacitance $C = f(V_{CB}, V_{EB})$

