## BC546 THRU BC549

## Small Signal Transistors (NPN)



Dimensions in inches and (millimeters)

- NPN Silicon Epitaxial Planar Transistors
- These transistors are subdivided into three groups $\mathrm{A}, \mathrm{B}$ and C according to their current gain. The type BC546 is available in groups $A$ and $B$, however, the types BC547 and BC548 can be supplied in all three groups. The BC549 is a low-noise type and available in groups $B$ and C. As complementary types, the PNP transistors BC556 ... BC559 are recommended.
- On special request, these transistors are also manufactured in the pin configuration TO-18.


## MECHANICAL DATA

Case: TO-92 Plastic Package
Weight: approx. 0.18 g

## MAXIMUM RATINGS AND ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Ratings at $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ambient temperature unless otherwise specified

|  |  | Symbol | Value | Unit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Collector-Base Voltage | $\begin{array}{r} \text { BC546 } \\ \text { BC547 } \\ \text { BC548, } \mathbf{B C 5 4 9} \end{array}$ | $V_{\text {CBO }}$ <br> $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CBO}}$ <br> $V_{\mathrm{CBO}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 80 \\ & 50 \\ & 30 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{V} \\ & \mathrm{~V} \\ & \mathrm{~V} \end{aligned}$ |
| Collector-Emitter Voltage | $\begin{array}{r} \text { BC546 } \\ \text { BC547 } \\ \text { BC548, } \mathbf{B C 5 4 9} \end{array}$ | $V_{\text {CES }}$ <br> $V_{\text {CES }}$ <br> $\mathrm{V}_{\text {CES }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 80 \\ & 50 \\ & 30 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{V} \\ & \mathrm{~V} \\ & \mathrm{~V} \end{aligned}$ |
| Collector-Emitter Voltage | $\begin{array}{r} \text { BC546 } \\ \text { BC547 } \\ \text { BC548, } \end{array}$ | $V_{\text {CEO }}$ <br> $V_{\text {CEO }}$ <br> $V_{\text {CEO }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 65 \\ & 45 \\ & 30 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{V} \\ & \mathrm{~V} \\ & \mathrm{~V} \end{aligned}$ |
| Emitter-Base Voltage | BC546, BC547 BC548, BC549 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{V}_{\text {EBO }} \\ & \mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{EBO}} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 6 \\ & 5 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{V} \\ & \mathrm{~V} \end{aligned}$ |
| Collector Current |  | $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{C}}$ | 100 | mA |
| Peak Collector Current |  | $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{CM}}$ | 200 | mA |
| Peak Base Current |  | IBM | 200 | mA |
| Peak Emitter Current |  | $-_{\text {EM }}$ | 200 | mA |
| Power Dissipation at $\mathrm{Tamb}=25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |  | $P_{\text {tot }}$ | 5001) | mW |
| Junction Temperature |  | $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{j}}$ | 150 | ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| Storage Temperature Range |  | $\mathrm{T}_{S}$ | -65 to +150 | ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| ${ }^{\text {1) }}$ Valid provided that leads are kept at ambient temperature at a distance of 2 mm from case |  |  |  |  |

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ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

|  | Symbol | Min. | Typ. | Max. | Unit |
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|  | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{h}_{\mathrm{fe}} \\ & \mathrm{~h}_{\mathrm{f}} \\ & \mathrm{~h}_{\mathrm{fe}} \\ & \mathrm{~h}_{\mathrm{ie}} \\ & \mathrm{~h}_{\mathrm{i}} \\ & \mathrm{~h}_{\mathrm{ie}} \\ & \mathrm{~h}_{\mathrm{oe}} \\ & \mathrm{~h}_{\mathrm{oe}} \\ & \mathrm{~h}_{\mathrm{oe}} \\ & \mathrm{~h}_{\mathrm{re}} \\ & \mathrm{~h}_{\mathrm{re}} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & - \\ & -1.6 \\ & 3.2 \\ & 6 \\ & - \\ & - \\ & - \\ & - \end{aligned}$ | 220 330 600 2.7 4.5 8.7 18 30 60 $1.5 \cdot 10^{-4}$ $2 \cdot 10^{-4}$ $3 \cdot 10^{-4}$ | - - - 4.5 8.5 15 30 60 110 - - - | $\begin{aligned} & - \\ & - \\ & - \\ & \mathrm{k} \Omega \\ & \mathrm{k} \Omega \\ & \mathrm{k} \Omega \\ & \mu \mathrm{~S} \\ & \mu \mathrm{~S} \\ & \mu \mathrm{~S} \end{aligned}$ |
| DC Current Gain at $V_{C E}=5 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{C}}=10 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ <br> Current Gain Group A <br> at $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CE}}=5 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{C}}=2 \mathrm{~mA}$ <br> Current Gain Group A <br> at $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CE}}=5 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{C}}=100 \mathrm{~mA}$ <br> Current Gain Group A $\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{B} \\ & \mathbf{C} \end{aligned}$ | $h_{\text {FE }}$ <br> $h_{\text {FE }}$ <br> $h_{\text {FE }}$ <br> $h_{\text {FE }}$ <br> $h_{\text {FE }}$ <br> $h_{\text {FE }}$ <br> $h_{\text {FE }}$ <br> $h_{\text {FE }}$ <br> $h_{\text {FE }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & - \\ & - \\ & - \\ & 110 \\ & 200 \\ & 420 \\ & - \\ & - \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 90 \\ & 150 \\ & 270 \\ & 180 \\ & 290 \\ & 500 \\ & 120 \\ & 200 \\ & 400 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & - \\ & - \\ & - \\ & 220 \\ & 450 \\ & 800 \\ & - \\ & - \end{aligned}$ | - |
| Thermal Resistance Junction to Ambient Air | $\mathrm{R}_{\text {thJA }}$ | - | - | 2501) | K/W |
| Collector Saturation Voltage at $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{C}}=10 \mathrm{~mA}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{B}}=0.5 \mathrm{~mA}$ at $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{C}}=100 \mathrm{~mA}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{B}}=5 \mathrm{~mA}$ | $V_{\text {CEsat }}$ <br> $V_{\text {CEsat }}$ | - | $\begin{aligned} & 80 \\ & 200 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 200 \\ & 600 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{mV} \\ & \mathrm{mV} \end{aligned}$ |
| Base Saturation Voltage <br> at $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{C}}=10 \mathrm{~mA}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{B}}=0.5 \mathrm{~mA}$ <br> at $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{C}}=100 \mathrm{~mA}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{B}}=5 \mathrm{~mA}$ | $V_{\text {BEsat }}$ $V_{\text {BEsat }}$ | - | $\begin{aligned} & 700 \\ & 900 \end{aligned}$ | - | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{mV} \\ & \mathrm{mV} \end{aligned}$ |
| Base-Emitter Voltage <br> at $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CE}}=5 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{C}}=2 \mathrm{~mA}$ <br> at $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CE}}=5 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{C}}=10 \mathrm{~mA}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{BE}} \\ & \mathrm{~V}_{\mathrm{BE}} \end{aligned}$ | 580 - | 660 | $\begin{aligned} & 700 \\ & 720 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{mV} \\ & \mathrm{mV} \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Ices <br> ICes <br> ICES <br> Ices <br> ICES |  | $\begin{aligned} & 0.2 \\ & 0.2 \\ & 0.2 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 15 \\ & 15 \\ & 15 \\ & 4 \\ & 4 \end{aligned}$ | nA <br> nA <br> $\mu \mathrm{A}$ $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |

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ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS
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| at $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CE}}=30 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{~T}_{\mathrm{j}}=125^{\circ} \mathrm{C} \quad$ BC548, BC549 | ICES | - | - | $\begin{aligned} & 4 \\ & 4 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mu \mathrm{A} \\ & \mu \mathrm{~A} \end{aligned}$ |
| Gain-Bandwidth Product at $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CE}}=5 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{C}}=10 \mathrm{~mA}, \mathrm{f}=100 \mathrm{MHz}$ | $\mathrm{f}_{\top}$ | - | 300 | - | MHz |
| Collector-Base Capacitance at $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CB}}=10 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{f}=1 \mathrm{MHz}$ | $\mathrm{C}_{\text {CBO }}$ | - | 3.5 | 6 | pF |
| Emitter-Base Capacitance at $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{EB}}=0.5 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{f}=1 \mathrm{MHz}$ | $\mathrm{C}_{\text {EBO }}$ | - | 9 | - | pF |
|  | F F F | - | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 1.2 \\ & 1.4 \end{aligned}$ | 10 <br> 4 <br> 4 | dB <br> dB <br> dB |

## RATINGS AND CHARACTERISTIC CURVES BC546 THRU BC549




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SEMICONDUCTOR ${ }^{\circ}$

## RATINGS AND CHARACTERISTIC CURVES BC546 THRU BC549

## DC current gain <br> versus collector current

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## Collector current versus base-emitter voltage



Collector-base cutoff current versus ambient temperature


Collector saturation voltage versus collector current


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Collector-base capacitance,
Emitter-base capacitance versus reverse bias voltage


## Gain-bandwidth product

 versus collector current

Relative h-parameters versus collector current


Noise figure
versus collector current


## RATINGS AND CHARACTERISTIC CURVES BC546 THRU BC549

## Noise figure

versus collector current


Noise figure
versus collector emitter voltage


