



# PBSS4021NT

20 V, 4.3 A NPN low V<sub>CEsat</sub> transistor

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Product data sheet

## 1. General description

NPN low V<sub>CEsat</sub> transistor in a SOT23 small Surface-Mounted Device (SMD) plastic package.

PNP complement: PBSS4021PT

## 2. Features and benefits

- Very low collector-emitter saturation voltage V<sub>CEsat</sub>
- High collector current capability I<sub>C</sub> and I<sub>CM</sub>
- High collector current gain (h<sub>FE</sub>) at high I<sub>C</sub>
- 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)

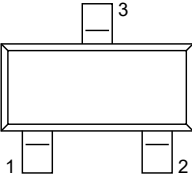
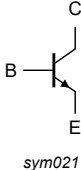
## 4. Quick reference data

Table 1. Quick reference data

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
V <sub>CEO</sub>	collector-emitter voltage	open base	-	-	20	V
I <sub>C</sub>	collector current		-	-	4.3	A
I <sub>CM</sub>	peak collector current	single pulse; t <sub>p</sub> ≤ 1 ms	-	-	8	A
R <sub>CEsat</sub>	collector-emitter saturation resistance	I <sub>C</sub> = 4 A; I <sub>B</sub> = 400 mA; pulsed; t <sub>p</sub> ≤ 300 μs; δ ≤ 0.02; T <sub>amb</sub> = 25 °C	-	36	55	mΩ

5. Pinning information

Table 2. Pinning information

Pin	Symbol	Description	Simplified outline	Graphic symbol
1	B	base	 SOT23	 sym021
2	E	emitter		
3	C	collector		

6. Ordering information

Table 3. Ordering information

Type number	Package		
	Name	Description	Version
<a href="#">PBSS4021NT</a>	SOT23	plastic, surface-mounted package; 3 terminals; 1.9 mm pitch; 2.9 mm x 1.3 mm x 1 mm body	<a href="#">SOT23</a>

7. Marking

Table 4. Marking codes

Type number	Marking code[1]
PBSS4021NT	%BH

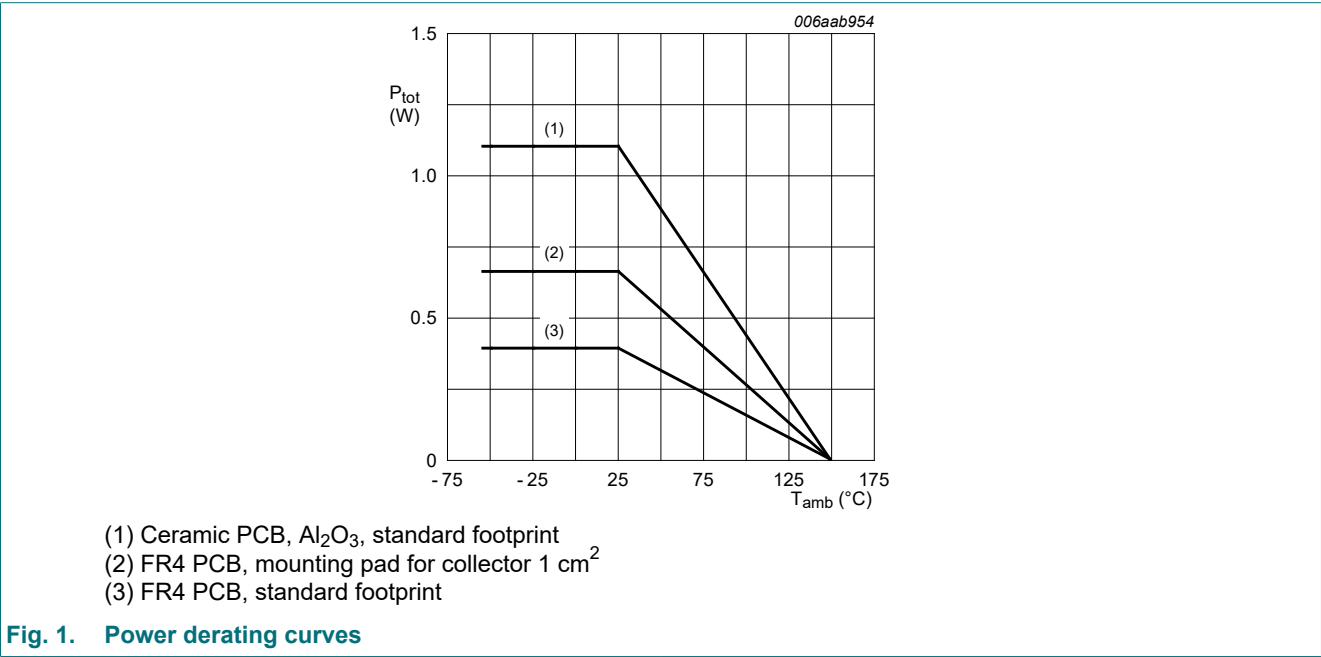
[1] % = placeholder for manufacturing site code

8. Limiting values

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

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions		Min	Max	Unit
V <sub>CBO</sub>	collector-base voltage	open emitter		-	20	V
V <sub>CEO</sub>	collector-emitter voltage	open base		-	20	V
V <sub>EBO</sub>	emitter-base voltage	open collector		-	5	V
I <sub>C</sub>	collector current			-	4.3	A
I <sub>CM</sub>	peak collector current	single pulse; t <sub>p</sub> ≤ 1 ms		-	8	A
I <sub>B</sub>	base current			-	1	A
P <sub>tot</sub>	total power dissipation	T <sub>amb</sub> ≤ 25 °C	[1]	-	390	mW
			[2]	-	660	mW
			[3]	-	1100	mW
T <sub>j</sub>	junction temperature			-	150	°C
T <sub>amb</sub>	ambient temperature			-55	150	°C
T <sub>stg</sub>	storage temperature			-65	150	°C

- [1] Device mounted on an FR4 PCB, single-sided copper, tin-plated and standard footprint.  
[2] Device mounted on an FR4 PCB, single-sided copper, tin-plated, mounting pad for collector 1 cm<sup>2</sup>.  
[3] Device mounted on a ceramic PCB, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, 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]	-	-	320	K/W
			[2]	-	-	190	K/W
			[3]	-	-	115	K/W
$R_{th(j-sp)}$	thermal resistance from junction to solder point			-	-	62	K/W

- [1] Device mounted on an FR4 PCB, single-sided copper, tin-plated and standard footprint.  
[2] Device mounted on an FR4 PCB, single-sided copper, tin-plated, mounting pad for collector 1 cm<sup>2</sup>.  
[3] Device mounted on a ceramic PCB, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, standard footprint.

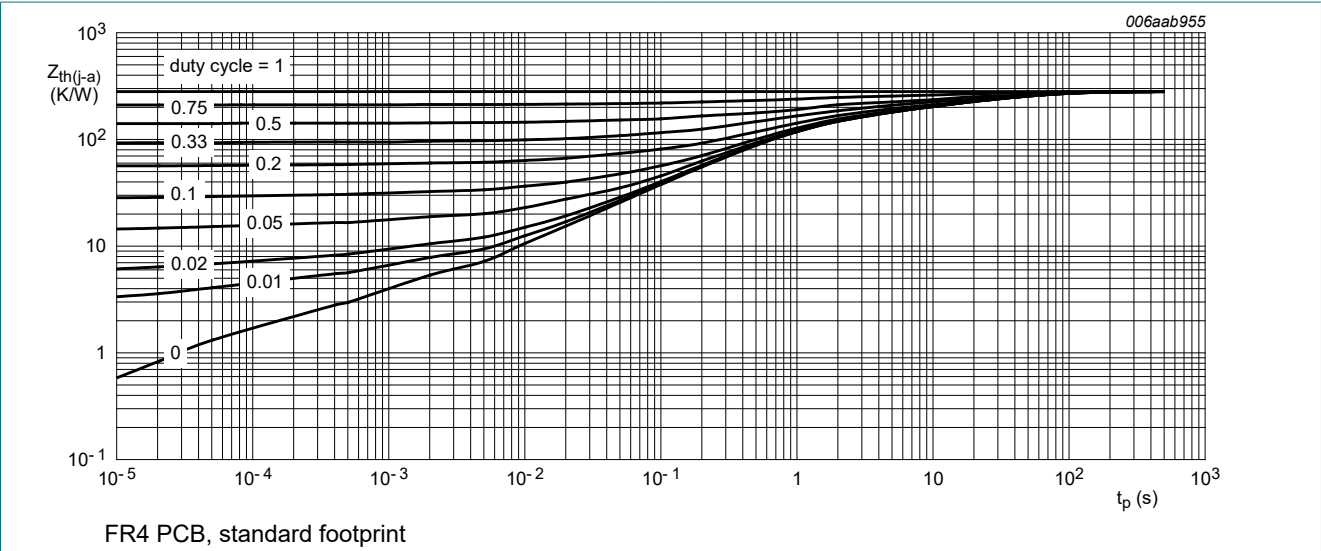


Fig. 2. Transient thermal impedance from junction to ambient as a function of pulse duration; typical values

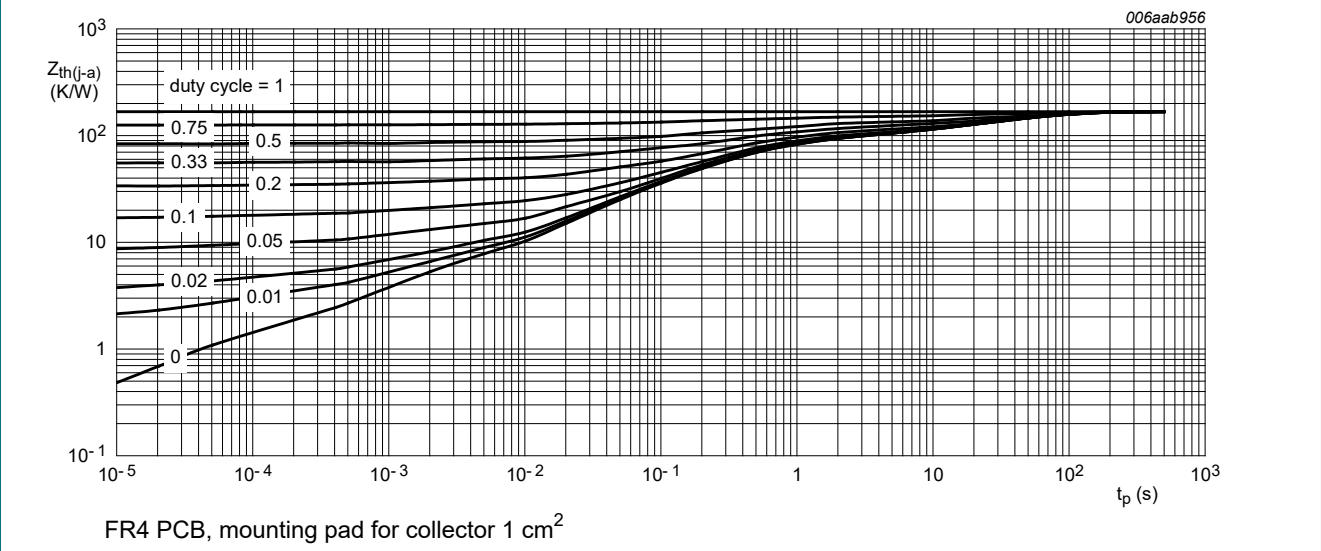
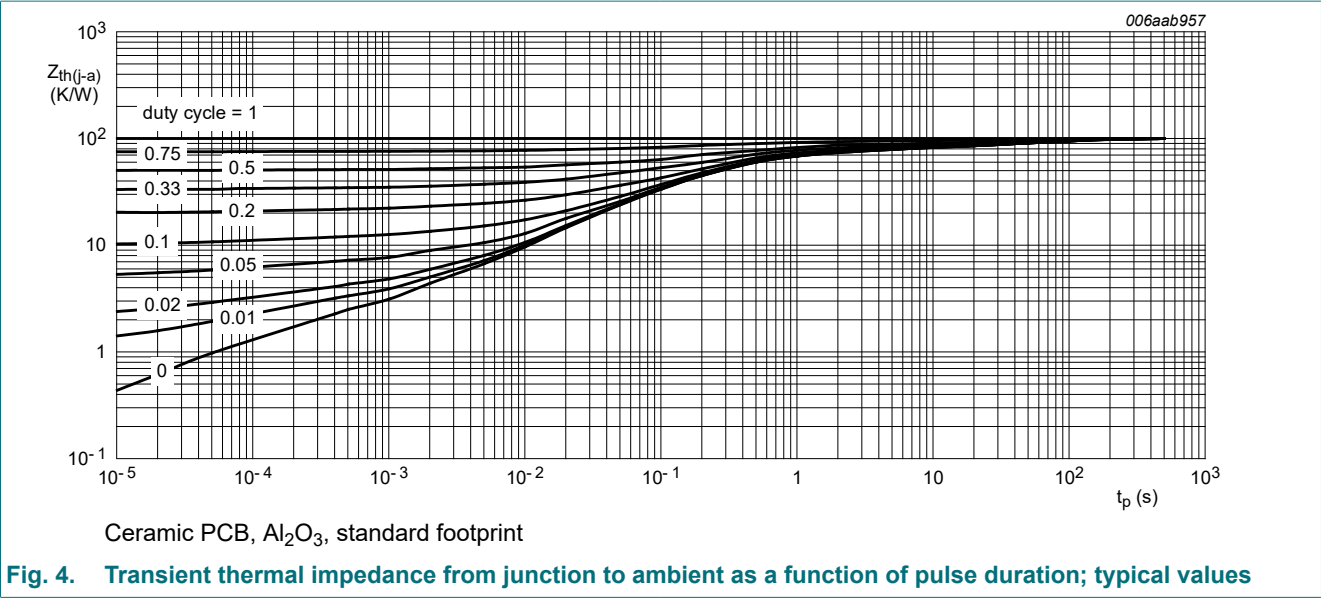


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10. Characteristics

Table 7. Characteristics

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions		Min	Typ	Max	Unit
I <sub>CBO</sub>	collector-base cut-off current	V <sub>CB</sub> = 20 V; I <sub>E</sub> = 0 A; T <sub>amb</sub> = 25 °C		-	-	100	nA
		V <sub>CB</sub> = 20 V; I <sub>E</sub> = 0 A; T <sub>j</sub> = 150 °C		-	-	50	µA
I <sub>EBO</sub>	emitter-base cut-off current	V <sub>EB</sub> = 5 V; I <sub>C</sub> = 0 A; T <sub>amb</sub> = 25 °C		-	-	100	nA
I <sub>CES</sub>	collector-emitter cut-off current	V <sub>CE</sub> = 16 V; V <sub>BE</sub> = 0 V; T <sub>amb</sub> = 25 °C		-	-	100	nA
h <sub>FE</sub>	DC current gain	V <sub>CE</sub> = 2 V; I <sub>C</sub> = 500 mA; T <sub>amb</sub> = 25 °C		300	550	-	
		V <sub>CE</sub> = 2 V; I <sub>C</sub> = 1 A; pulsed; t <sub>p</sub> ≤ 300 µs; δ ≤ 0.02; T <sub>amb</sub> = 25 °C		300	500	-	
		V <sub>CE</sub> = 2 V; I <sub>C</sub> = 2 A; pulsed; t <sub>p</sub> ≤ 300 µs; δ ≤ 0.02; T <sub>amb</sub> = 25 °C		300	420	-	
		V <sub>CE</sub> = 2 V; I <sub>C</sub> = 4 A; pulsed; t <sub>p</sub> ≤ 300 µs; δ ≤ 0.02; T <sub>amb</sub> = 25 °C		150	260	-	
		V <sub>CE</sub> = 2 V; I <sub>C</sub> = 6 A; pulsed; t <sub>p</sub> ≤ 300 µs; δ ≤ 0.02; T <sub>amb</sub> = 25 °C		100	170	-	
V <sub>CEsat</sub>	collector-emitter saturation voltage	I <sub>C</sub> = 1 A; I <sub>B</sub> = 50 mA; pulsed; t <sub>p</sub> ≤ 300 µs; δ ≤ 0.02; T <sub>amb</sub> = 25 °C		-	42	60	mV
		I <sub>C</sub> = 1 A; I <sub>B</sub> = 10 mA; pulsed; t <sub>p</sub> ≤ 300 µs; δ ≤ 0.02; T <sub>amb</sub> = 25 °C		-	55	75	mV
		I <sub>C</sub> = 2 A; I <sub>B</sub> = 40 mA; pulsed; t <sub>p</sub> ≤ 300 µs; δ ≤ 0.02; T <sub>amb</sub> = 25 °C		-	85	120	mV
		I <sub>C</sub> = 4 A; I <sub>B</sub> = 200 mA; pulsed; t <sub>p</sub> ≤ 300 µs; δ ≤ 0.02; T <sub>amb</sub> = 25 °C		-	155	220	mV
		I <sub>C</sub> = 4 A; I <sub>B</sub> = 40 mA; pulsed; t <sub>p</sub> ≤ 300 µs; δ ≤ 0.02; T <sub>amb</sub> = 25 °C		-	190	265	mV
		I <sub>C</sub> = 4 A; I <sub>B</sub> = 400 mA; pulsed; t <sub>p</sub> ≤ 300 µs; δ ≤ 0.02; T <sub>amb</sub> = 25 °C		-	145	200	mV
R <sub>CEsat</sub>	collector-emitter saturation resistance			-	36	55	mΩ
V <sub>BEsat</sub>	base-emitter saturation voltage	I <sub>C</sub> = 1 A; I <sub>B</sub> = 100 mA; pulsed; t <sub>p</sub> ≤ 300 µs; δ ≤ 0.02; T <sub>amb</sub> = 25 °C		-	0.94	1.05	V
		I <sub>C</sub> = 4 A; I <sub>B</sub> = 400 mA; pulsed; t <sub>p</sub> ≤ 300 µs; δ ≤ 0.02; T <sub>amb</sub> = 25 °C		-	1.17	1.25	V
V <sub>BEon</sub>	base-emitter turn-on voltage	V <sub>CE</sub> = 2 V; I <sub>C</sub> = 2 A; pulsed; t <sub>p</sub> ≤ 300 µs; δ ≤ 0.02; T <sub>amb</sub> = 25 °C		-	0.81	0.9	V
t <sub>d</sub>	delay time	V <sub>CC</sub> = 12.5 V; I <sub>C</sub> = 1 A; I <sub>Bon</sub> = 0.05 A; I <sub>Boff</sub> = -0.05 A; T <sub>amb</sub> = 25 °C		-	15	-	ns
t <sub>r</sub>	rise time			-	45	-	ns
t <sub>on</sub>	turn-on time			-	60	-	ns
t <sub>s</sub>	storage time			-	490	-	ns
t <sub>f</sub>	fall time			-	80	-	ns
t <sub>off</sub>	turn-off time			-	570	-	ns
f <sub>T</sub>	transition frequency			-	165	-	MHz
C <sub>c</sub>	collector capacitance	V <sub>CB</sub> = 10 V; I <sub>E</sub> = 0 A; i <sub>e</sub> = 0 A; f = 1 MHz; T <sub>amb</sub> = 25 °C		-	36	-	pF

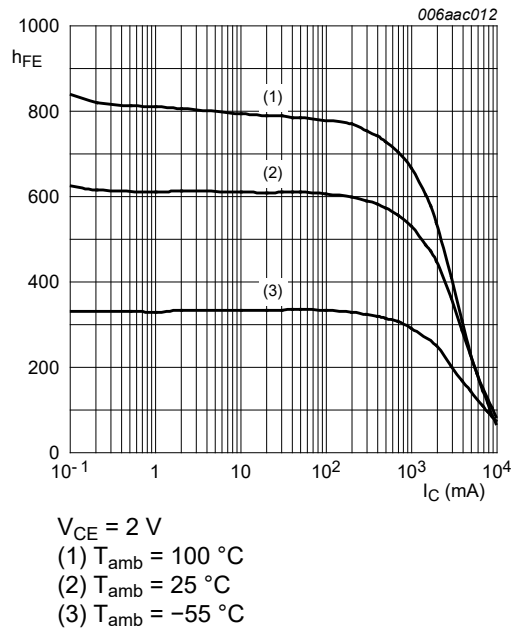


Fig. 5. DC current gain as a function of collector current; typical values

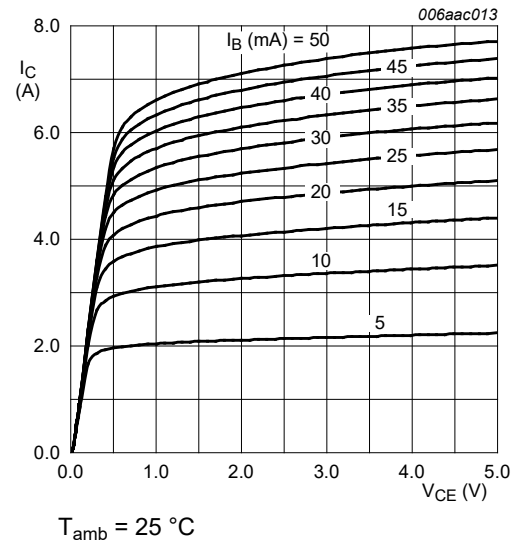


Fig. 6. Collector current as a function of collector-emitter voltage; typical values

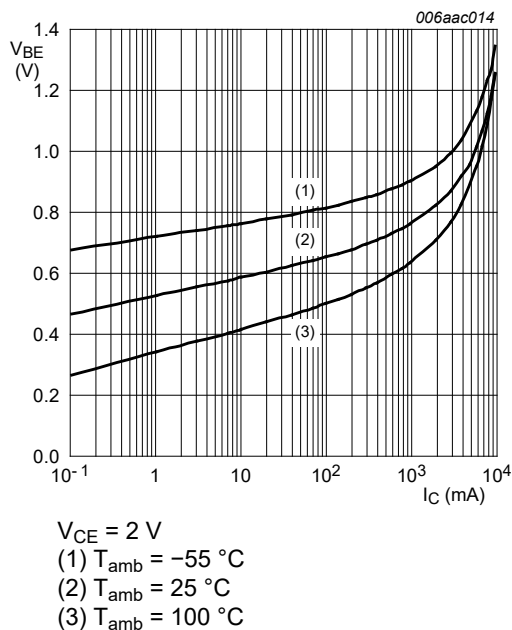


Fig. 7. Base-emitter voltage as a function of collector current; typical values

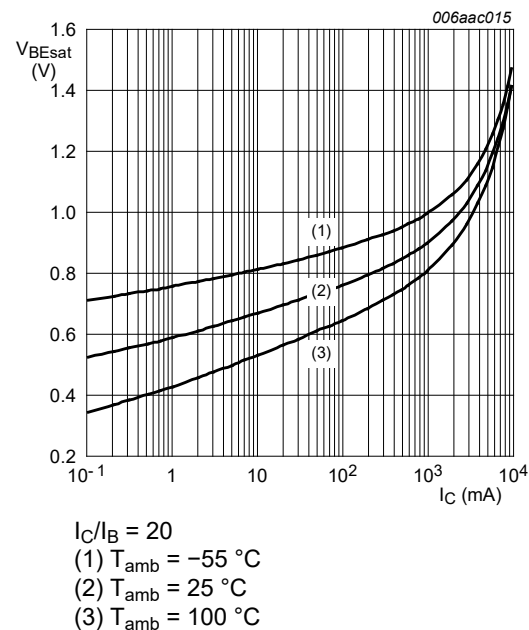


Fig. 8. Base-emitter saturation voltage as a function of collector current; typical values

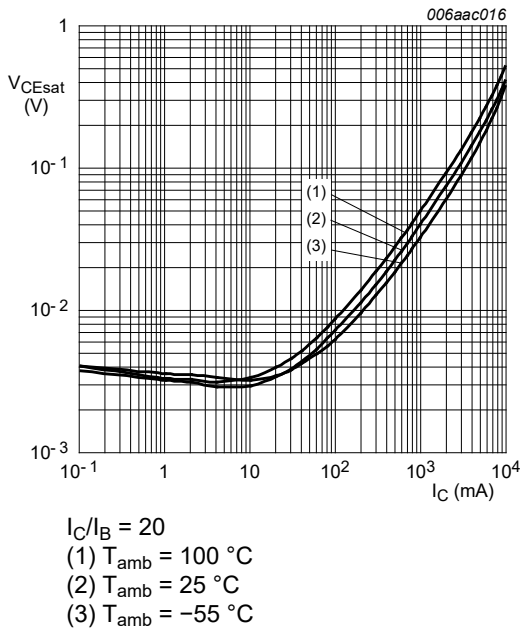


Fig. 9. Collector-emitter saturation voltage as a function of collector current; typical values

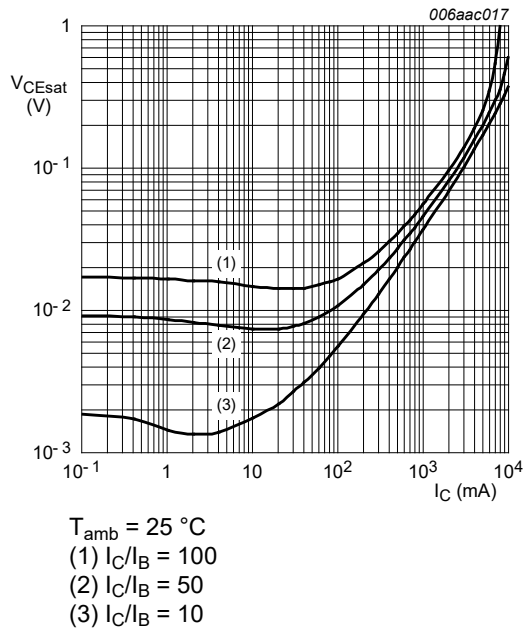


Fig. 10. Collector-emitter saturation voltage as a function of collector current; typical values

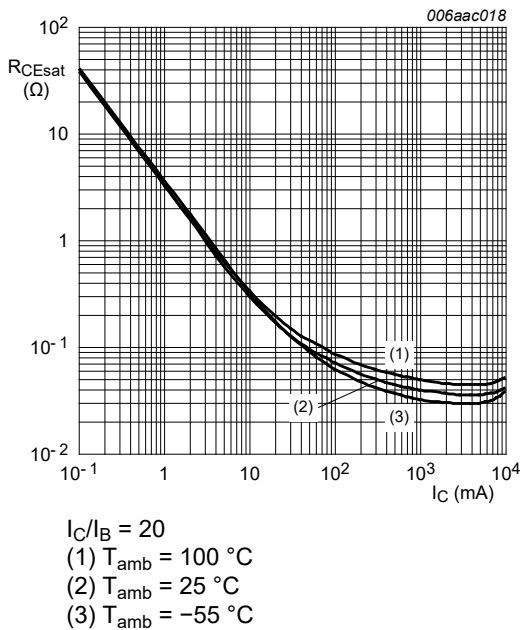


Fig. 11. Collector-emitter saturation resistance as a function of collector current; typical values

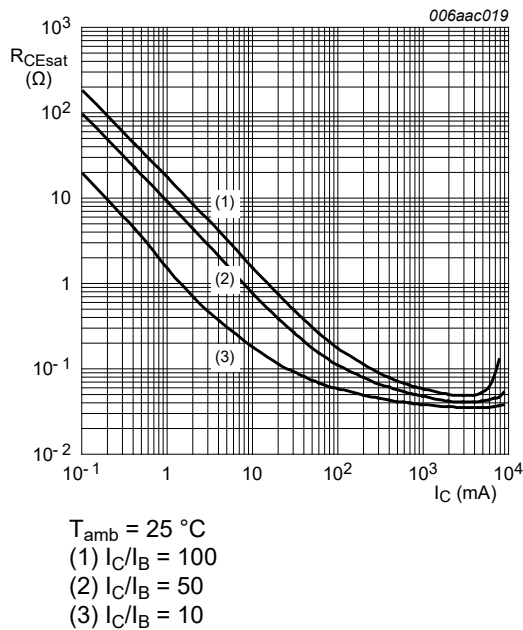


Fig. 12. Collector-emitter saturation resistance as a function of collector current; typical values



11. Test information



Fig. 13. Switching time definition

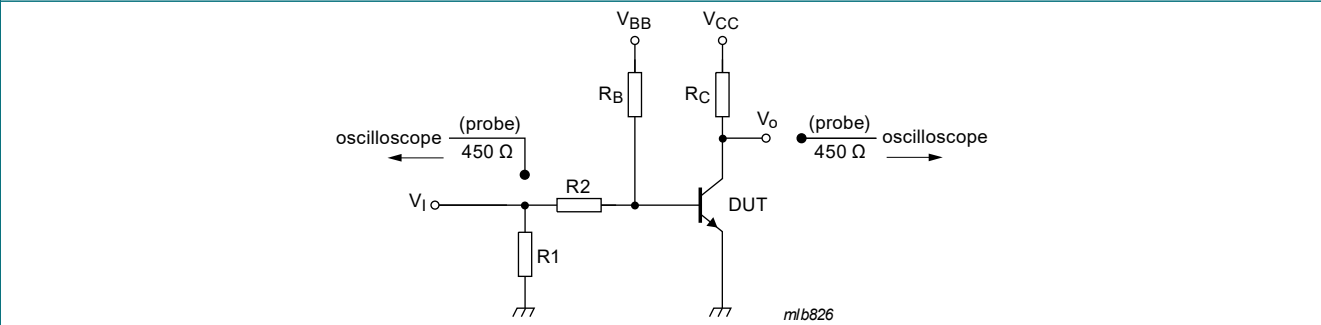
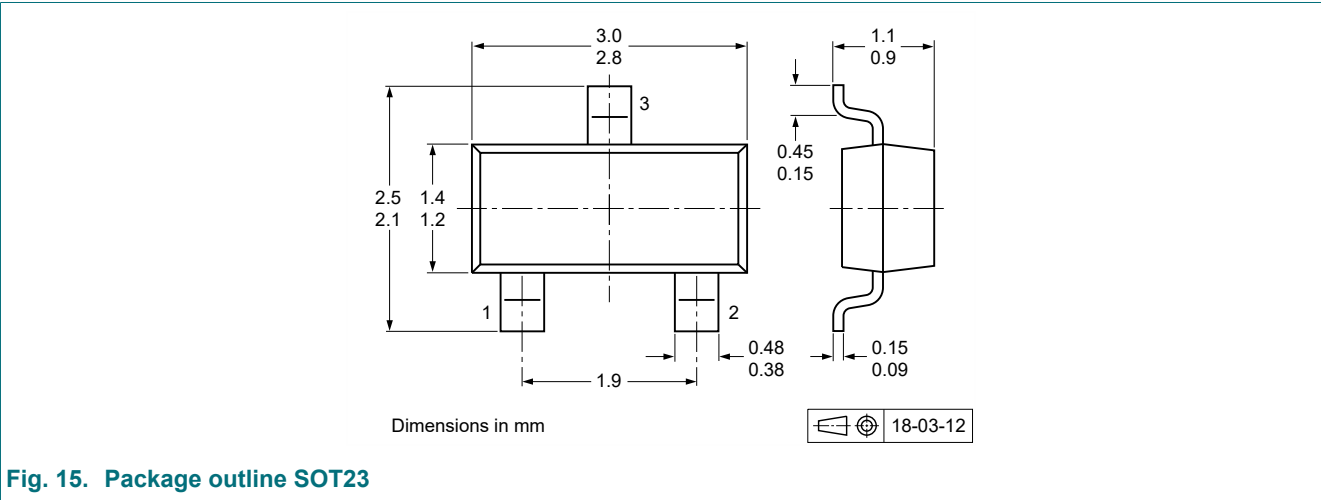


Fig. 14. Test circuit for switching times

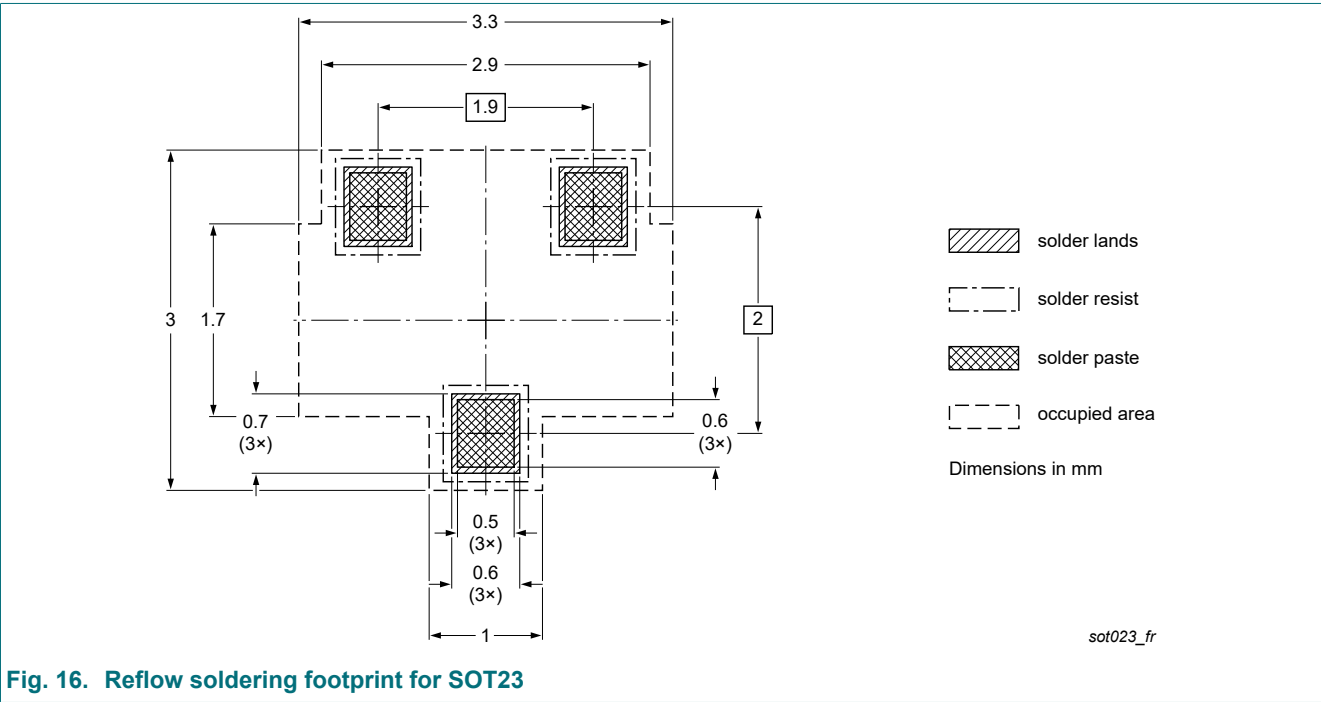
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12. Package outline



13. Soldering



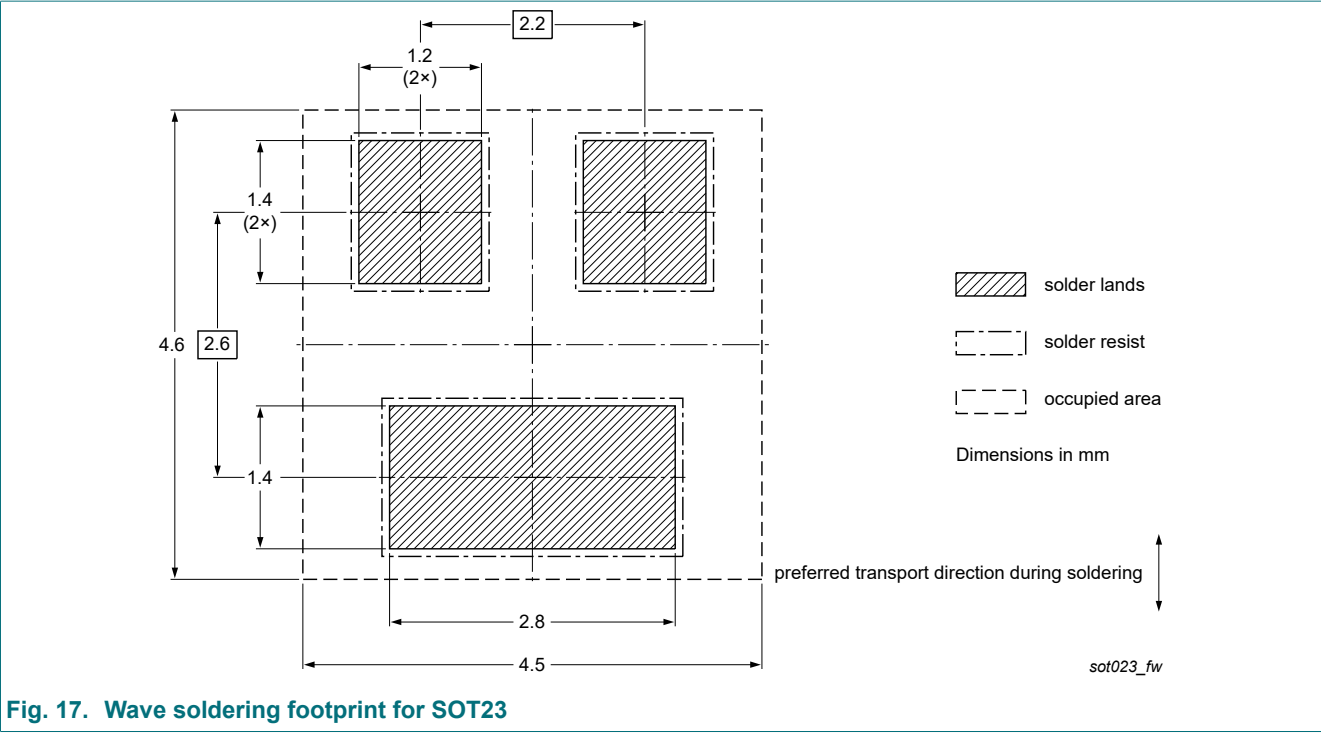


Fig. 17. Wave soldering footprint for SOT23

14. Revision history

Table 8. Revision history

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