

# PNP general purpose transistors

# BC556; BC557; BC558

### FEATURES

- Low current (max. 100 mA)
- Low voltage (max. 65 V).

### APPLICATIONS

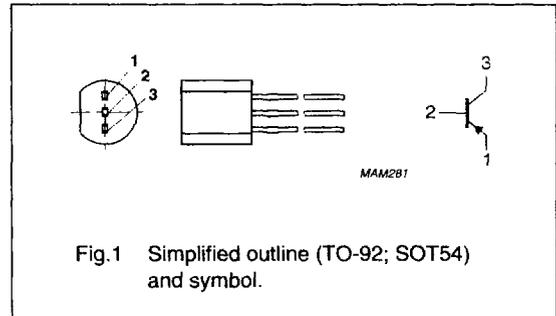
- General purpose switching and amplification.

### DESCRIPTION

PNP transistor in a TO-92; SOT54 plastic package.  
 NPN complements: BC546, BC547 and BC548.

### PINNING

PIN	DESCRIPTION
1	emitter
2	base
3	collector



### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

SYMBOL	PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	MIN.	MAX.	UNIT
V <sub>CBO</sub>	collector-base voltage	open emitter	–	–80	V
	BC556		–	–50	V
	BC557		–	–30	V
V <sub>CEO</sub>	collector-emitter voltage	open base	–	–65	V
	BC556		–	–45	V
	BC557		–	–30	V
I <sub>CM</sub>	peak collector current		–	–200	mA
P <sub>tot</sub>	total power dissipation	T <sub>amb</sub> ≤ 25 °C	–	500	mW
h <sub>FE</sub>	DC current gain	I <sub>C</sub> = –2 mA; V <sub>CE</sub> = –5 V	125	475	
	BC556		125	800	
f <sub>T</sub>	transition frequency	I <sub>C</sub> = –10 mA; V <sub>CE</sub> = –5 V; f = 100 MHz	100	–	MHz

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**LIMITING VALUES**

In accordance with the Absolute Maximum Rating System (IEC 134).

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	BC556		-	-80	V
	BC557		-	-50	V
	BC558		-	-30	V
V <sub>CEO</sub>	collector-emitter voltage	open base			
	BC556		-	-65	V
	BC557		-	-45	V
	BC558		-	-30	V
V <sub>EBO</sub>	emitter-base voltage	open collector	-	-5	V
I <sub>C</sub>	collector current (DC)		-	-100	mA
I <sub>CM</sub>	peak collector current		-	-200	mA
I <sub>BM</sub>	peak base current		-	-200	mA
P <sub>tot</sub>	total power dissipation	T <sub>amb</sub> ≤ 25 °C	-	500	mW
T <sub>stg</sub>	storage temperature		-65	+150	°C
T <sub>j</sub>	junction temperature		-	150	°C
T <sub>amb</sub>	operating ambient temperature		-65	+150	°C

**THERMAL CHARACTERISTICS**

SYMBOL	PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	VALUE	UNIT
R <sub>th j-a</sub>	thermal resistance from junction to ambient	note 1	250	K/W

**Note**

1. Transistor mounted on an FR4 printed-circuit board.

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**CHARACTERISTICS** $T_j = 25\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  unless otherwise specified.

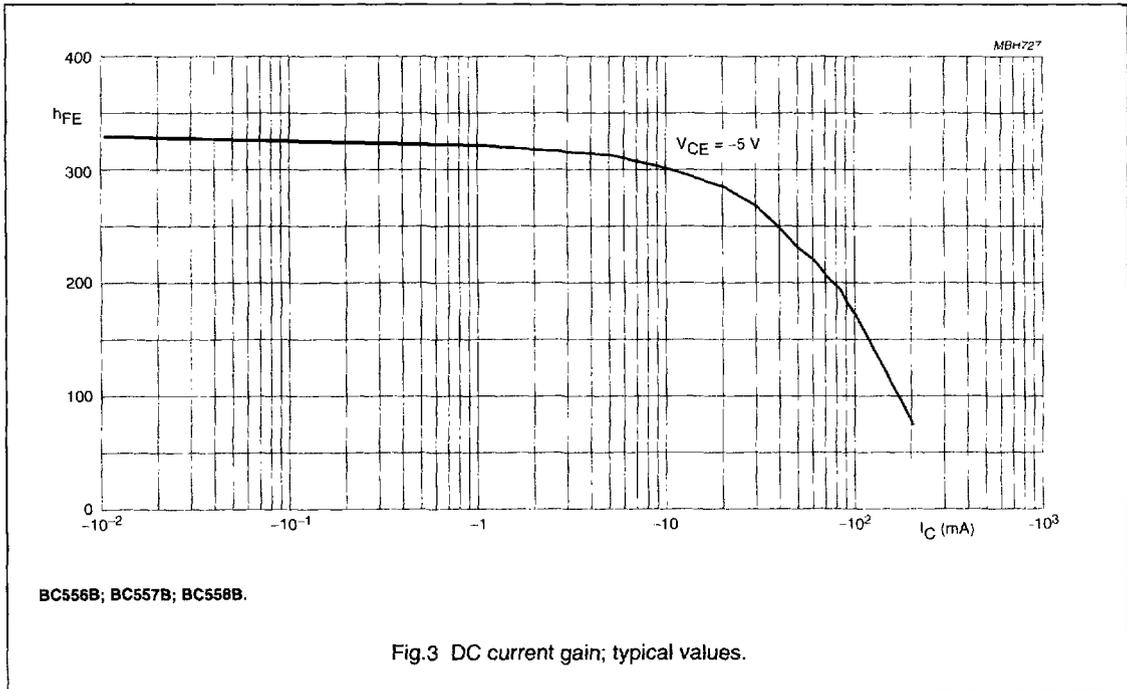
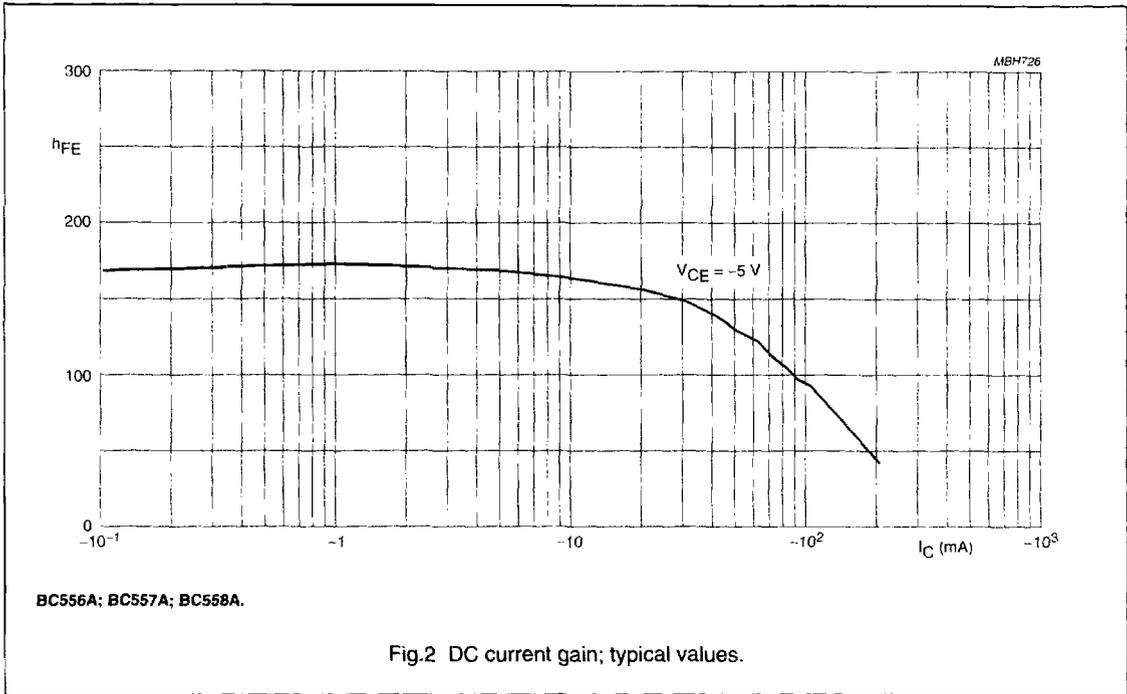
SYMBOL	PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	MIN.	TYP.	MAX.	UNIT
$I_{CBO}$	collector cut-off current	$I_E = 0; V_{CB} = -30\text{ V}$	-	-1	-15	nA
		$I_E = 0; V_{CB} = -30\text{ V}; T_j = 150\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$	-	-	-4	$\mu\text{A}$
$I_{EBO}$	emitter cut-off current	$I_C = 0; V_{EB} = -5\text{ V}$	-	-	-100	nA
$h_{FE}$	DC current gain BC556 BC557; BC558 BC556A; BC557A; BC558A BC556B; BC557B; BC558B BC557C; BC558C	$I_C = -2\text{ mA}; V_{CE} = -5\text{ V};$ see Figs 2, 3 and 4	125	-	475	
			125	-	800	
			125	-	250	
			220	-	475	
			420	-	800	
$V_{CEsat}$	collector-emitter saturation voltage	$I_C = -10\text{ mA}; I_B = -0.5\text{ mA}$	-	-60	-300	mV
		$I_C = -100\text{ mA}; I_B = -5\text{ mA}$	-	-180	-650	mV
$V_{BEsat}$	base-emitter saturation voltage	$I_C = -10\text{ mA}; I_B = -0.5\text{ mA};$ note 1	-	-750	-	mV
		$I_C = -100\text{ mA}; I_B = -5\text{ mA};$ note 1	-	-930	-	mV
$V_{BE}$	base-emitter voltage	$I_C = -2\text{ mA}; V_{CE} = -5\text{ V};$ note 2	-600	-650	-750	mV
		$I_C = -10\text{ mA}; V_{CE} = -5\text{ V};$ note 2	-	-	-820	mV
$C_c$	collector capacitance	$I_E = I_B = 0; V_{CB} = -10\text{ V}; f = 1\text{ MHz}$	-	3	-	pF
$C_e$	emitter capacitance	$I_C = I_C = 0; V_{EB} = -0.5\text{ V}; f = 1\text{ MHz}$	-	10	-	pF
$f_T$	transition frequency	$I_C = -10\text{ mA}; V_{CE} = -5\text{ V}; f = 100\text{ MHz}$	100	-	-	MHz
F	noise figure	$I_C = -200\text{ }\mu\text{A}; V_{CE} = -5\text{ V}; R_S = 2\text{ k}\Omega;$ $f = 1\text{ kHz}; B = 200\text{ Hz}$	-	2	10	dB

**Notes**

- $V_{BEsat}$  decreases by about  $-1.7\text{ mV/K}$  with increasing temperature.
- $V_{BE}$  decreases by about  $-2\text{ mV/K}$  with increasing temperature.

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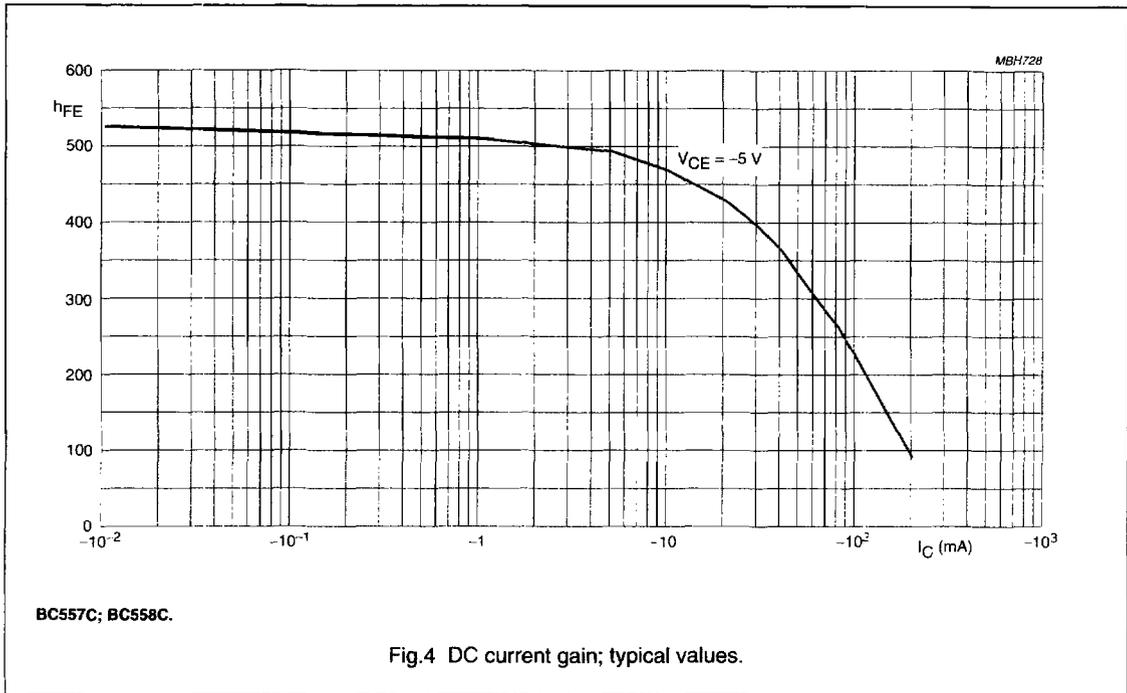


Fig.4 DC current gain; typical values.