

# DATA SHEET



## **BC556; BC557** PNP general purpose transistors

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### 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 and BC547.

### PINNING

PIN	DESCRIPTION
1	emitter
2	base
3	collector

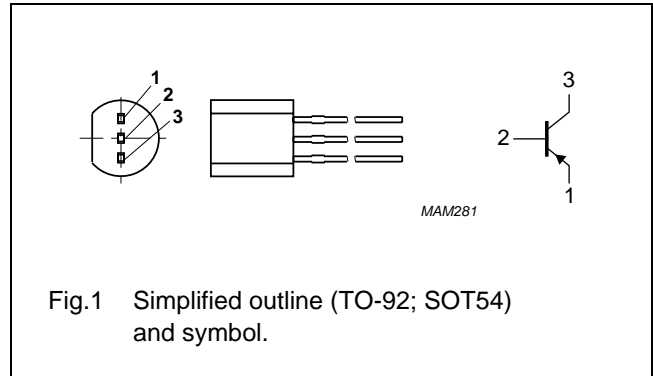


Fig.1 Simplified outline (TO-92; SOT54) and symbol.

### ORDERING INFORMATION

TYPE NUMBER	PACKAGE		
	NAME	DESCRIPTION	VERSION
BC556	SC-43A	plastic single-ended leaded (through hole) package; 3 leads	SOT54
BC557			

### 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			
	BC556		–	–80	V
	BC557		–	–50	V
V <sub>CEO</sub>	collector-emitter voltage	open base			
	BC556		–	–65	V
	BC557		–	–45	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>	ambient temperature		–65	+150	°C

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## THERMAL CHARACTERISTICS

SYMBOL	PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	VALUE	UNIT
$R_{th(j-a)}$	thermal resistance from junction to ambient	note 1	250	K/W

## Note

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

## CHARACTERISTICS

$T_{amb} = 25\text{ °C}$  unless otherwise specified.

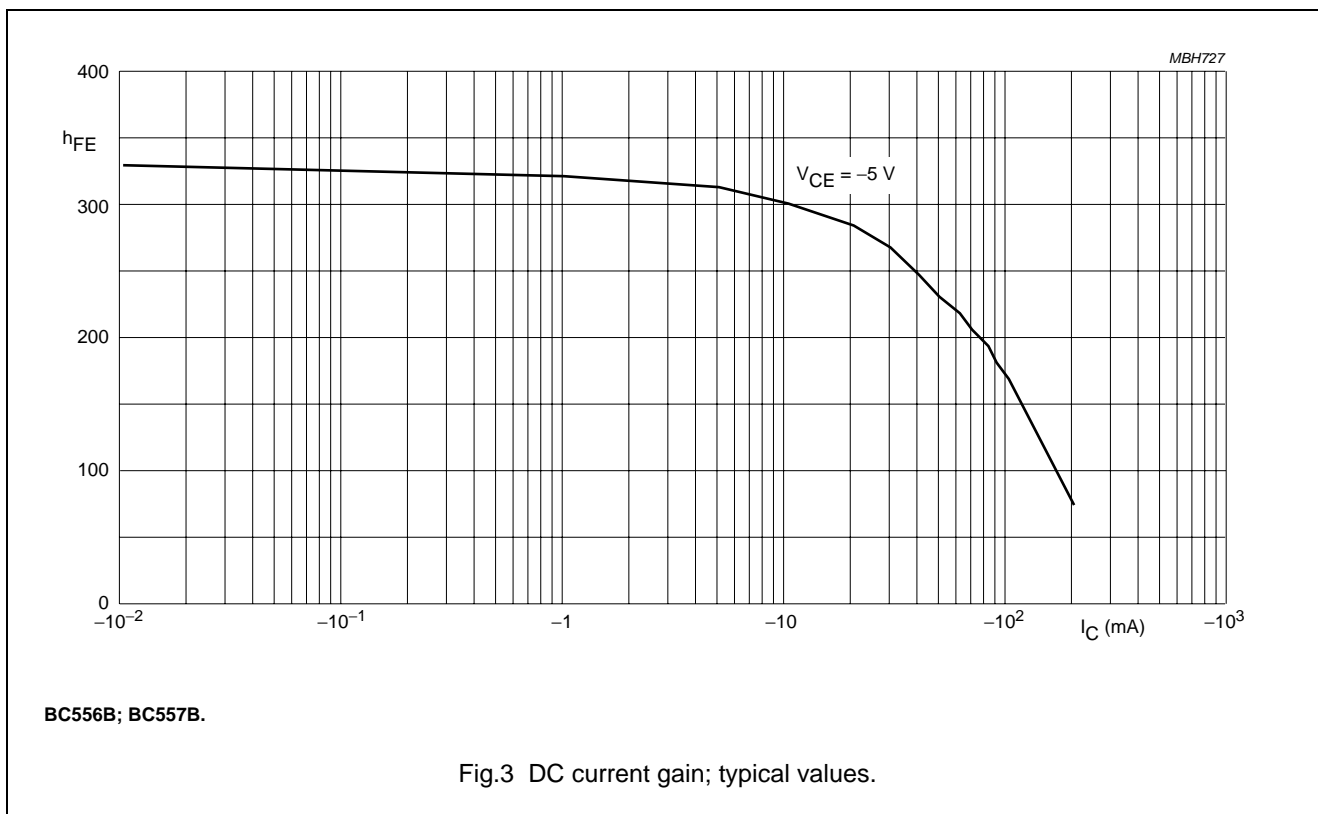
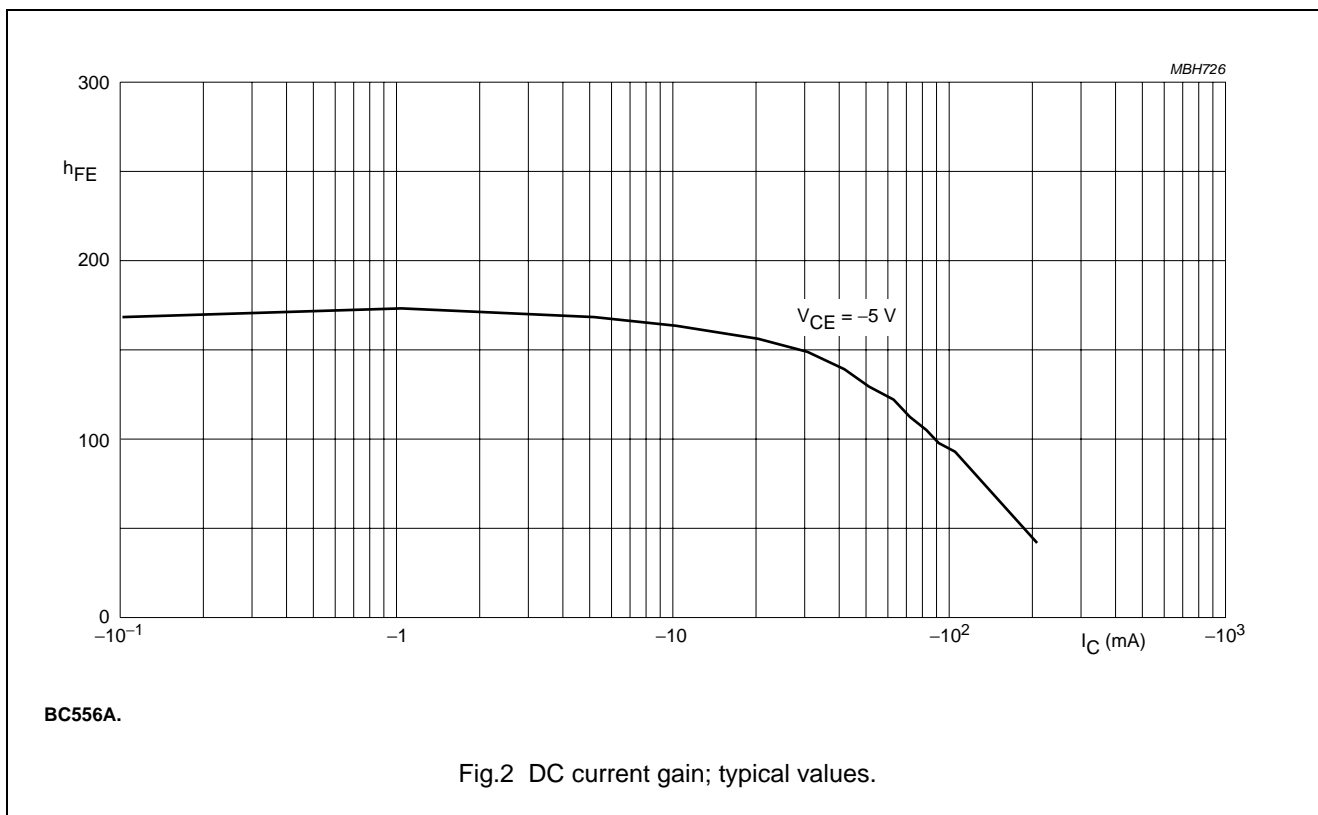
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$I_{CBO}$	collector-base cut-off current	$V_{CB} = -30\text{ V}; I_E = 0\text{ A}$	–	–1	–15	nA
		$V_{CB} = -30\text{ V}; I_E = 0\text{ A}; T_j = 150\text{ °C}$	–	–	–4	$\mu\text{A}$
$I_{EBO}$	emitter-base cut-off current	$V_{EB} = -5\text{ V}; I_C = 0\text{ V}$	–	–	–100	nA
$h_{FE}$	DC current gain BC556 BC557 BC556A BC556B; BC557B BC557C	$I_C = -2\text{ mA}; V_{CE} = -5\text{ V};$ 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	$V_{CE} = -5\text{ V}; I_C = -2\text{ mA};$ note 2	–600	–650	–750	mV
		$V_{CE} = -5\text{ V}; I_C = -10\text{ mA};$ note 2	–	–	–820	mV
$C_c$	collector capacitance	$V_{CB} = -10\text{ V}; I_E = i_e = 0\text{ A}; f = 1\text{ MHz}$	–	3	–	pF
$C_e$	emitter capacitance	$V_{EB} = -0.5\text{ V}; I_C = i_c = 0\text{ A}; f = 1\text{ MHz}$	–	10	–	pF
$f_T$	transition frequency	$V_{CE} = -5\text{ V}; I_C = -10\text{ mA}; f = 100\text{ MHz}$	100	–	–	MHz
F	noise figure	$V_{CE} = -5\text{ V}; I_C = -200\text{ }\mu\text{A}; R_S = 2\text{ k}\Omega;$ $f = 1\text{ kHz}; B = 200\text{ Hz}$	–	2	10	dB

## Notes

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

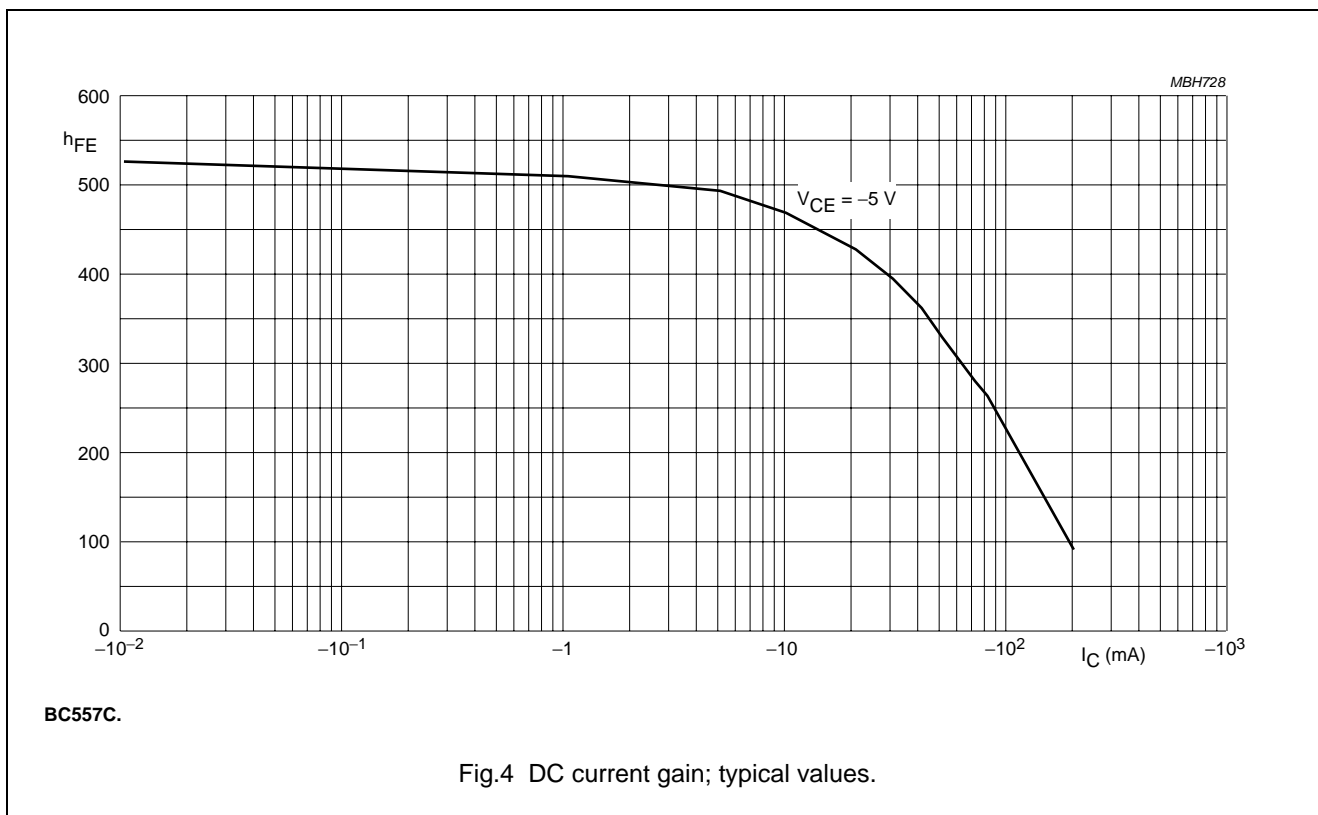
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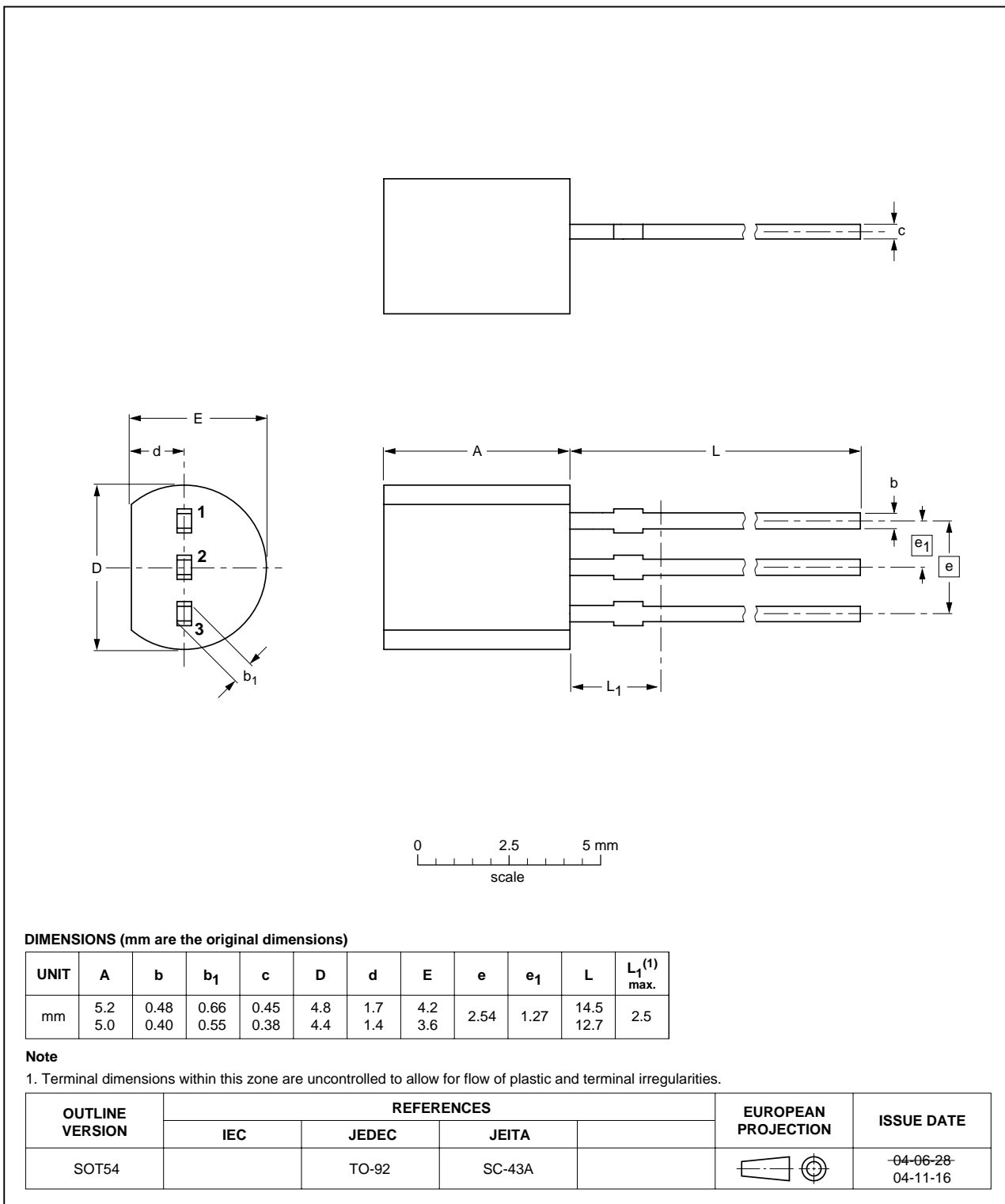
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PACKAGE OUTLINE

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