

# BCP55; BCX55; BC55PA

60 V, 1 A NPN medium power transistors

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Product data sheet

## 1. Product profile

### 1.1 General description

NPN medium power transistor series in Surface-Mounted Device (SMD) plastic packages.

Table 1. Product overview

| Type number <sup>[1]</sup> | Package |       |        | PNP complement |
|----------------------------|---------|-------|--------|----------------|
|                            | NXP     | JEITA | JEDEC  |                |
| BCP55                      | SOT223  | SC-73 | -      | BCP52          |
| BCX55                      | SOT89   | SC-62 | TO-243 | BCX52          |
| BC55PA                     | SOT1061 | -     | -      | BC52PA         |

[1] Valid for all available selection groups.

### 1.2 Features and benefits

- High current
- Three current gain selections
- High power dissipation capability
- Exposed heatsink for excellent thermal and electrical conductivity (SOT89, SOT1061)
- Leadless very small SMD plastic package with medium power capability (SOT1061)
- AEC-Q101 qualified

### 1.3 Applications

- Linear voltage regulators
- Low-side switches
- Battery-driven devices
- Power management
- MOSFET drivers
- Amplifiers

### 1.4 Quick reference data

Table 2. Quick reference data

| Symbol    | Parameter                 | Conditions                     | Min | Typ | Max | Unit |
|-----------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| $V_{CE0}$ | collector-emitter voltage | open base                      | -   | -   | 60  | V    |
| $I_C$     | collector current         |                                | -   | -   | 1   | A    |
| $I_{CM}$  | peak collector current    | single pulse; $t_p \leq 1$ ms  | -   | -   | 2   | A    |
| $h_{FE}$  | DC current gain           | $V_{CE} = 2$ V; $I_C = 150$ mA | 63  | -   | 250 |      |
|           | $h_{FE}$ selection -10    | $V_{CE} = 2$ V; $I_C = 150$ mA | 63  | -   | 160 |      |
|           | $h_{FE}$ selection -16    | $V_{CE} = 2$ V; $I_C = 150$ mA | 100 | -   | 250 |      |

[1] Pulse test:  $t_p \leq 300$   $\mu$ s;  $\delta = 0.02$ .



## 2. Pinning information

Table 3. Pinning

| Pin            | Description | Simplified outline       | Graphic symbol |
|----------------|-------------|--------------------------|----------------|
| <b>SOT223</b>  |             |                          |                |
| 1              | base        |                          | <br>sym016     |
| 2              | collector   |                          |                |
| 3              | emitter     |                          |                |
| 4              | collector   |                          |                |
| <b>SOT89</b>   |             |                          |                |
| 1              | emitter     |                          | <br>sym042     |
| 2              | collector   |                          |                |
| 3              | base        |                          |                |
| <b>SOT1061</b> |             |                          |                |
| 1              | base        | <br>Transparent top view | <br>sym021     |
| 2              | emitter     |                          |                |
| 3              | collector   |                          |                |

## 3. Ordering information

Table 4. Ordering information

| Type number <sup>[1]</sup> | Package |  |         |
|----------------------------|---------|--|---------|
|                            | Name    | Description  | Version |
| BCP55                      | SC-73   | plastic surface-mounted package with increased heatsink; 4 leads                                       | SOT223  |
| BCX55                      | SC-62   | plastic surface-mounted package; exposed die pad for good heat transfer; 3 leads                       | SOT89   |
| BC55PA                     | HUSON3  | plastic thermal enhanced ultra thin small outline package; no leads; 3 terminals; body 2 × 2 × 0.65 mm | SOT1061 |

[1] Valid for all available selection groups.

## 4. Marking

**Table 5. Marking codes**

| Type number | Marking code |
|-------------|--------------|
| BCP55       | BCP55        |
| BCP55-10    | BCP55/10     |
| BCP55-16    | BCP55/16     |
| BCX55       | BE           |
| BCX55-10    | BG           |
| BCX55-16    | BM           |
| BC55PA      | AW           |
| BC55-10PA   | BH           |
| BC55-16PA   | BJ           |

## 5. Limiting values

**Table 6. Limiting values***In accordance with the Absolute Maximum Rating System (IEC 60134).*

| Symbol    | Parameter                 | Conditions                       | Min       | Max                  | Unit |      |      |    |
|-----------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------|----------------------|------|------|------|----|
| $V_{CBO}$ | collector-base voltage    | open emitter                     | -         | 60                   | V    |      |      |    |
| $V_{CEO}$ | collector-emitter voltage | open base                        | -         | 60                   | V    |      |      |    |
| $V_{EBO}$ | emitter-base voltage      | open collector                   | -         | 5                    | V    |      |      |    |
| $I_C$     | collector current         |                                  | -         | 1                    | A    |      |      |    |
| $I_{CM}$  | peak collector current    | single pulse;<br>$t_p \leq 1$ ms | -         | 2                    | A    |      |      |    |
| $I_B$     | base current              |                                  | -         | 0.3                  | A    |      |      |    |
| $I_{BM}$  | peak base current         | single pulse;<br>$t_p \leq 1$ ms | -         | 0.3                  | A    |      |      |    |
| $P_{tot}$ | total power dissipation   | $T_{amb} \leq 25$ °C             |           |                      |      |      |      |    |
|           |                           |                                  | BCP55     | [1]                  | -    | 0.65 | W    |    |
|           |                           |                                  |           | [2]                  | -    | 1.00 | W    |    |
|           |                           |                                  |           | [3]                  | -    | 1.35 | W    |    |
|           |                           |                                  | BCX55     | [1]                  | -    | 0.50 | W    |    |
|           |                           |                                  |           | [2]                  | -    | 0.95 | W    |    |
|           |                           |                                  |           | [3]                  | -    | 1.35 | W    |    |
|           |                           |                                  | BC55PA    | [1]                  | -    | 0.42 | W    |    |
|           |                           |                                  |           | [2]                  | -    | 0.83 | W    |    |
|           |                           |                                  |           | [3]                  | -    | 1.10 | W    |    |
|           |                           |                                  |           | [4]                  | -    | 0.81 | W    |    |
|           |                           |                                  |           | [5]                  | -    | 1.65 | W    |    |
|           |                           |                                  | $T_j$     | junction temperature |      | -    | 150  | °C |
|           |                           |                                  | $T_{amb}$ | ambient temperature  |      | -55  | +150 | °C |
|           |                           |                                  | $T_{stg}$ | storage temperature  |      | -65  | +150 | °C |

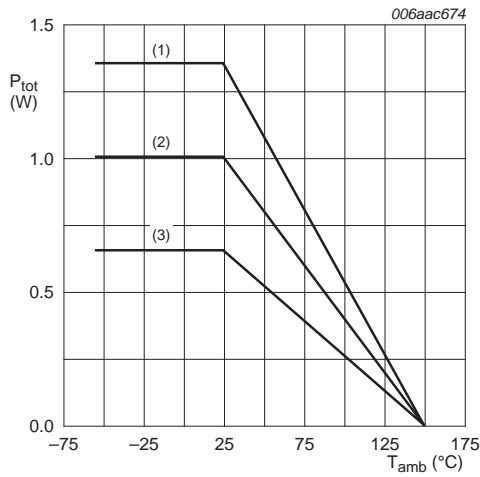
[1] Device mounted on an FR4 Printed-Circuit Board (PCB), single-sided copper, tin-plated and standard footprint.

[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 an FR4 PCB, single-sided copper, tin-plated, mounting pad for collector 6 cm<sup>2</sup>.

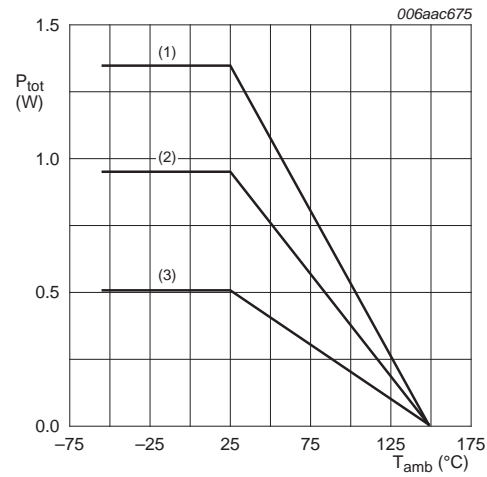
[4] Device mounted on an FR4 PCB, 4-layer copper, tin-plated and standard footprint.

[5] Device mounted on an FR4 PCB, 4-layer copper, tin-plated, mounting pad for collector 1 cm<sup>2</sup>.



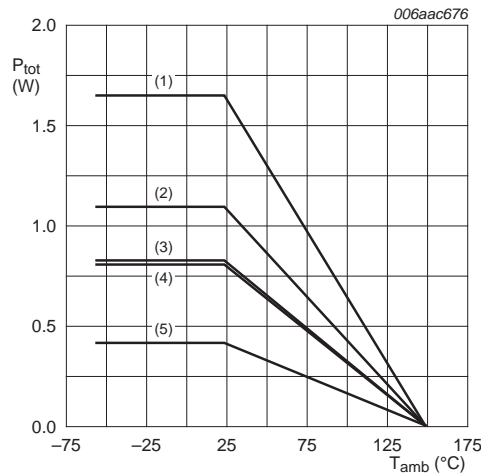
- (1) FR4 PCB, mounting pad for collector 6 cm<sup>2</sup>
- (2) FR4 PCB, mounting pad for collector 1 cm<sup>2</sup>
- (3) FR4 PCB, standard footprint

**Fig 1. Power derating curves SOT223**



- (1) FR4 PCB, mounting pad for collector 6 cm<sup>2</sup>
- (2) FR4 PCB, mounting pad for collector 1 cm<sup>2</sup>
- (3) FR4 PCB, standard footprint

**Fig 2. Power derating curves SOT89**



- (1) FR4 PCB, 4-layer copper, mounting pad for collector 1 cm<sup>2</sup>
- (2) FR4 PCB, single-sided copper, mounting pad for collector 6 cm<sup>2</sup>
- (3) FR4 PCB, single-sided copper, mounting pad for collector 1 cm<sup>2</sup>
- (4) FR4 PCB, 4-layer copper, standard footprint
- (5) FR4 PCB, single-sided copper, standard footprint

**Fig 3. Power derating curves SOT1061**

## 6. Thermal characteristics

**Table 7. Thermal characteristics**

| Symbol        | Parameter                                   | Conditions                                       | Min    | Typ | Max | Unit |     |     |        |   |   |    |     |
|---------------|---|--|--------|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|--------|---|---|----|-----|
| $R_{th(j-a)}$ | thermal resistance from junction to ambient | in free air                                      | BCP55  | [1] | -   | -    | 192 | K/W |        |   |   |    |     |
|               |   |  |        | [2] | -   | -    | 125 | K/W |        |   |   |    |     |
|               |   |  |        | [3] | -   | -    | 93  | K/W |        |   |   |    |     |
|               |   |  | BCX55  | [1] | -   | -    | 250 | K/W |        |   |   |    |     |
|               |   |  |        | [2] | -   | -    | 132 | K/W |        |   |   |    |     |
|               |   |  |        | [3] | -   | -    | 93  | K/W |        |   |   |    |     |
|               |   |  | BC55PA | [1] | -   | -    | 298 | K/W |        |   |   |    |     |
|               |   |  |        | [2] | -   | -    | 151 | K/W |        |   |   |    |     |
|               |   |  |        | [3] | -   | -    | 114 | K/W |        |   |   |    |     |
|               | [4]   | -  |        | -   | 154 | K/W  |     |     |        |   |   |    |     |
|               | [5]   | -  |        | -   | 76  | K/W  |     |     |        |   |   |    |     |
|               | $R_{th(j-sp)}$                              | thermal resistance from junction to solder point |        |     |     |      |     |     |        |   |   |    |     |
|               |   |  |        |     |     |      |     |     | BCP55  | - | - | 16 | K/W |
|               |   |  |        |     |     |      |     |     | BCX55  | - | - | 16 | K/W |
|               |   |  |        |     |     |      |     |     | BC55PA | - | - | 20 | K/W |

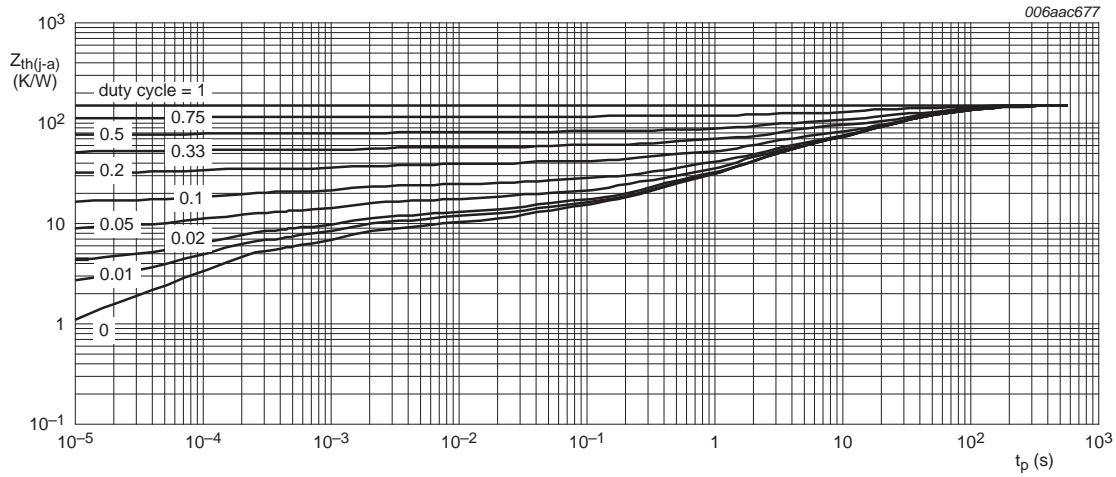
[1] Device mounted on an FR4 PCB, single-sided copper, tin-plated and standard footprint.

[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 an FR4 PCB, single-sided copper, tin-plated, mounting pad for collector 6 cm<sup>2</sup>.

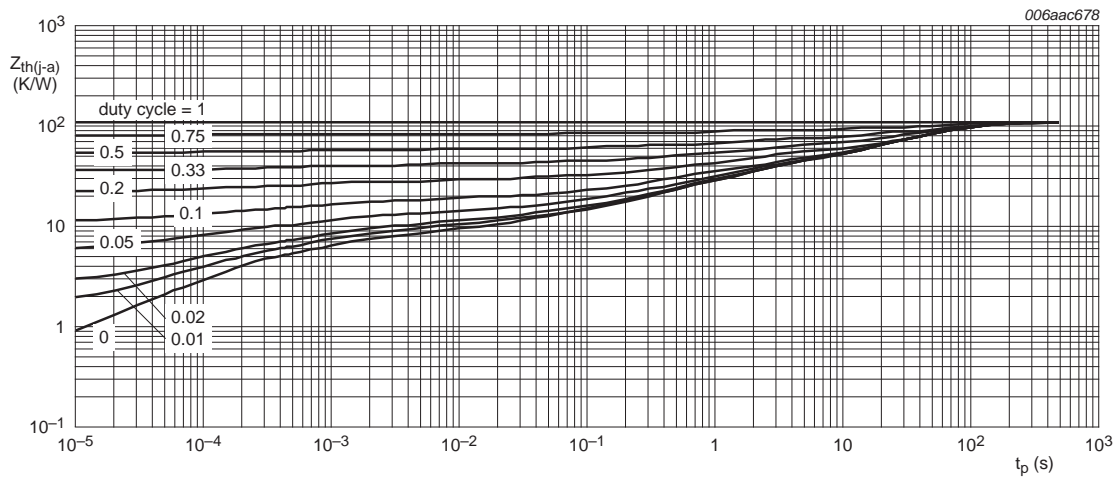
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[5] Device mounted on an FR4 PCB, 4-layer copper, tin-plated, mounting pad for collector 1 cm<sup>2</sup>.



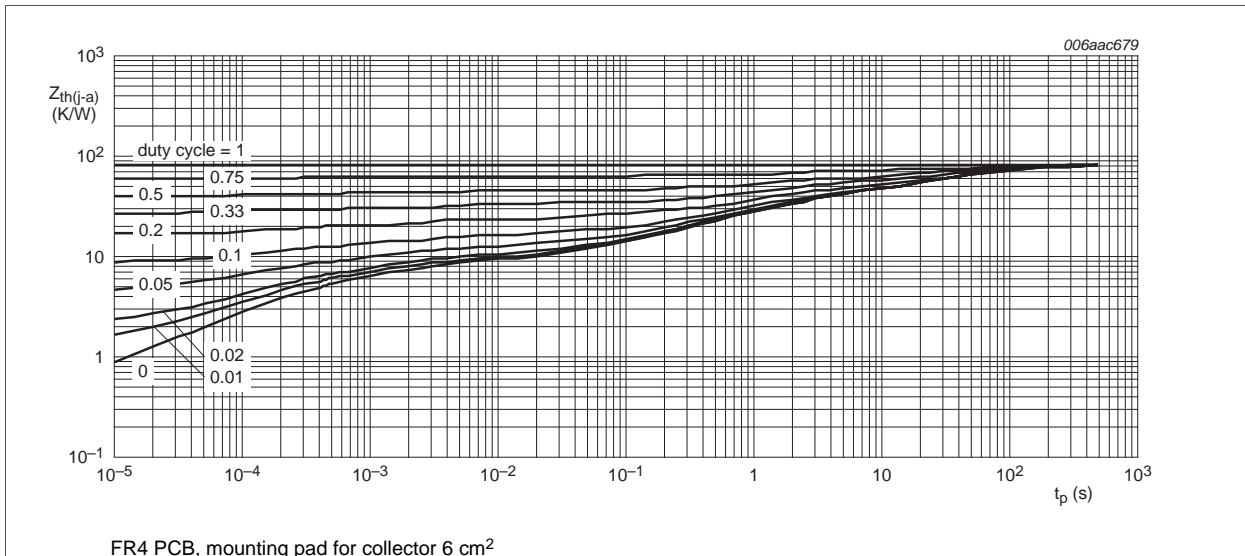
FR4 PCB, standard footprint

**Fig 4. Transient thermal impedance from junction to ambient as a function of pulse duration for SOT223; typical values**

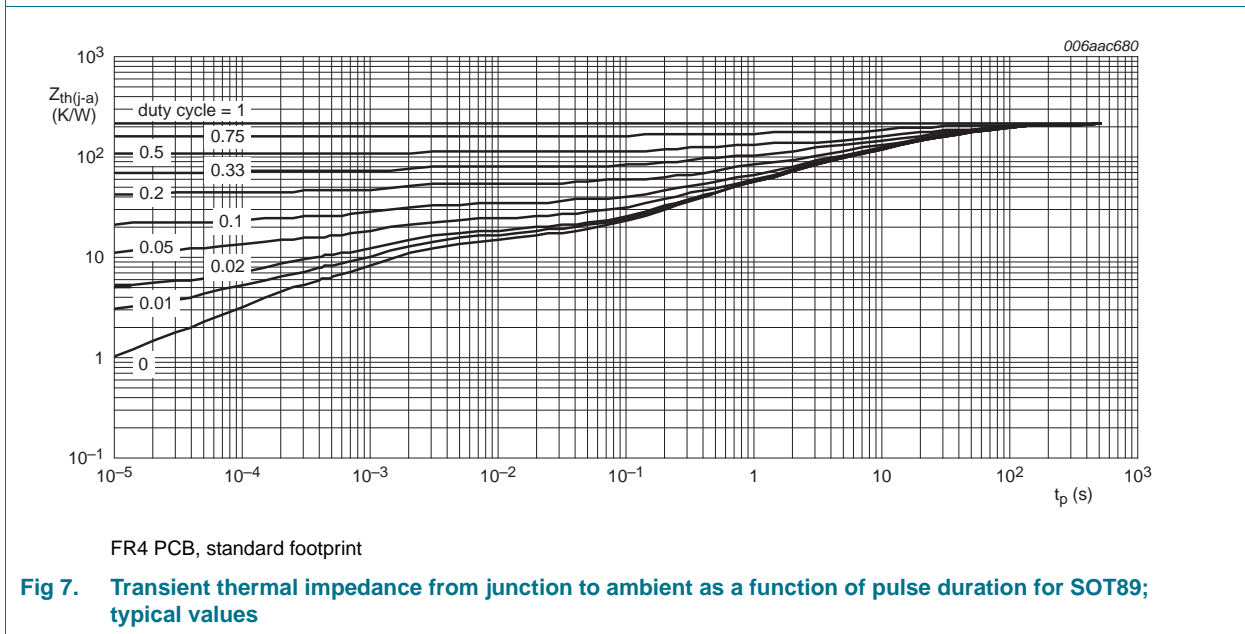


FR4 PCB, mounting pad for collector 1 cm<sup>2</sup>

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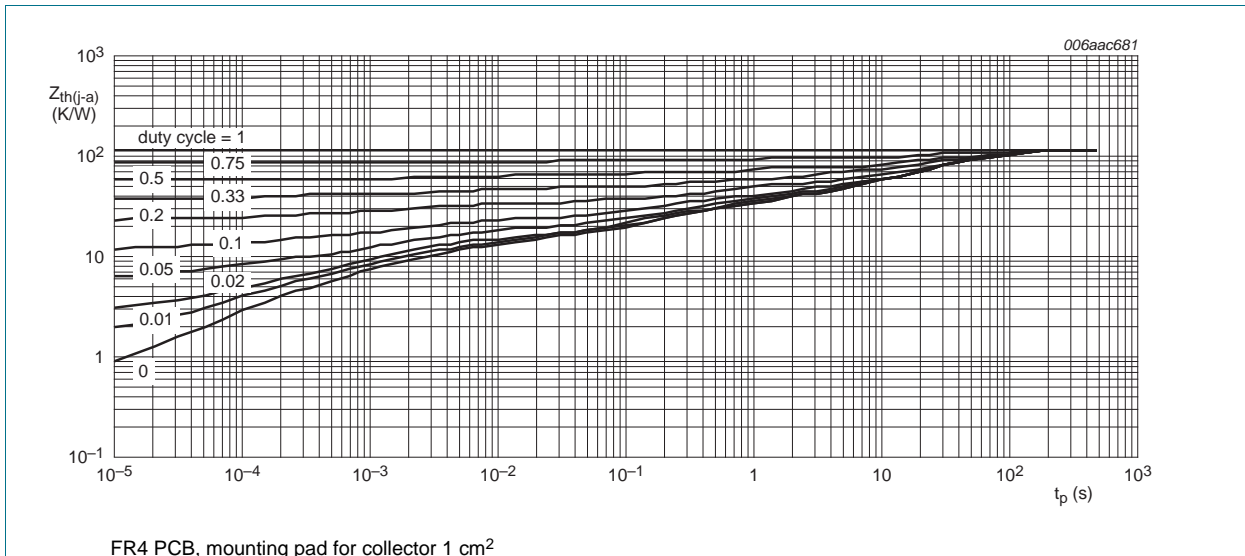


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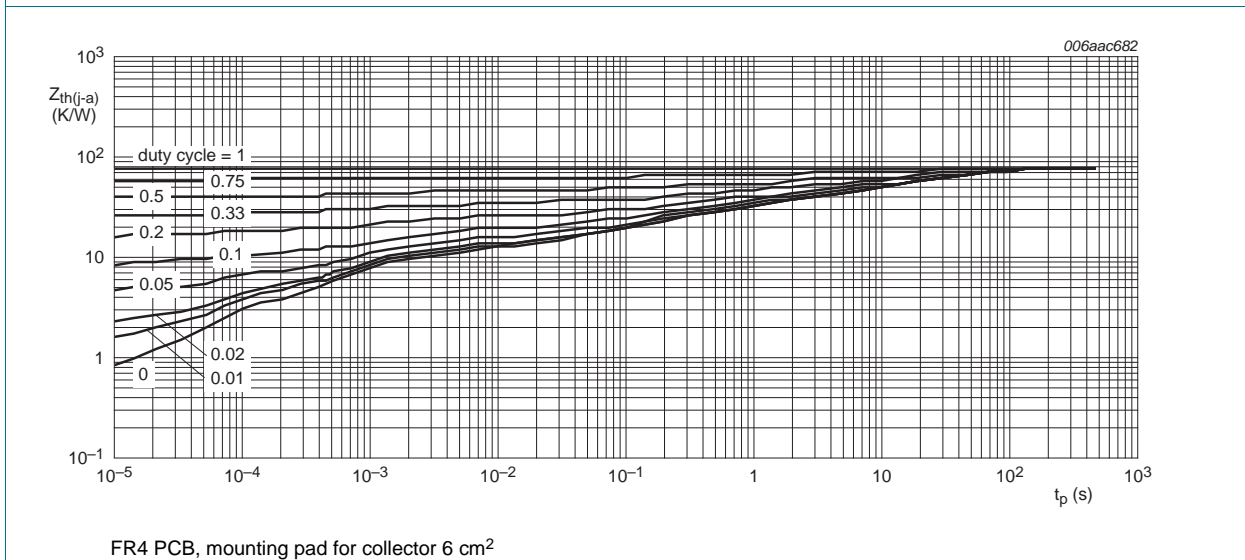


**Fig 7. Transient thermal impedance from junction to ambient as a function of pulse duration for SOT89; typical values**

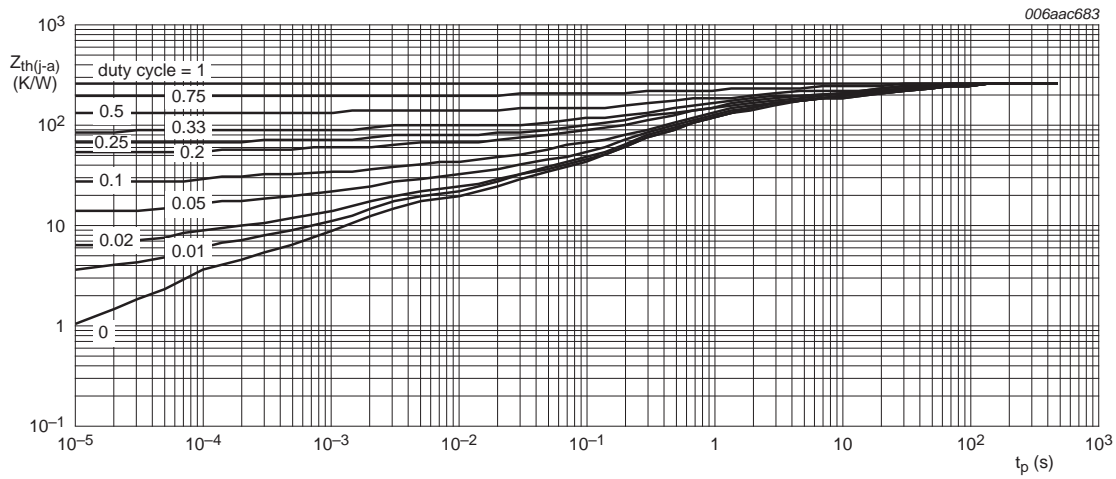




**Fig 8. Transient thermal impedance from junction to ambient as a function of pulse duration for SOT89; typical values**

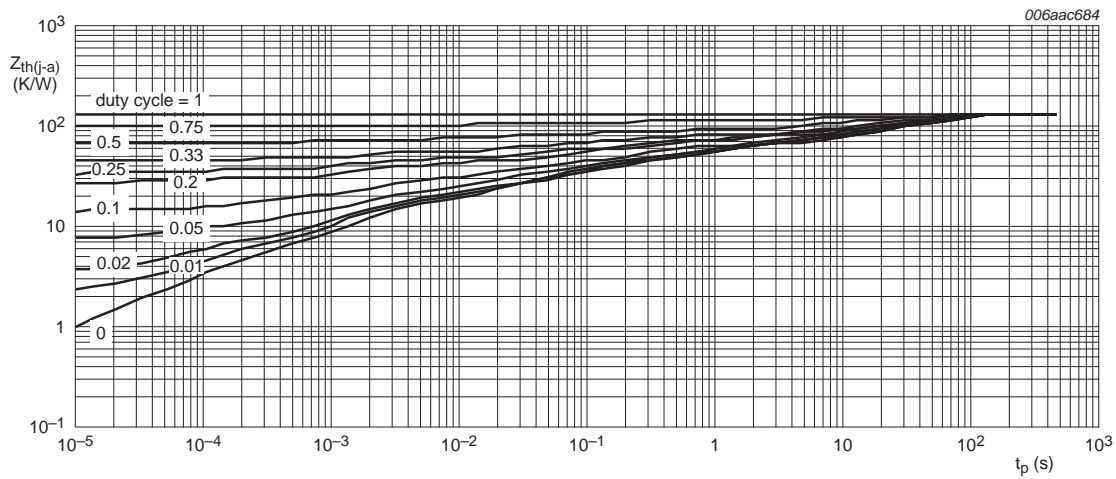


**Fig 9. Transient thermal impedance from junction to ambient as a function of pulse duration for SOT89; typical values**



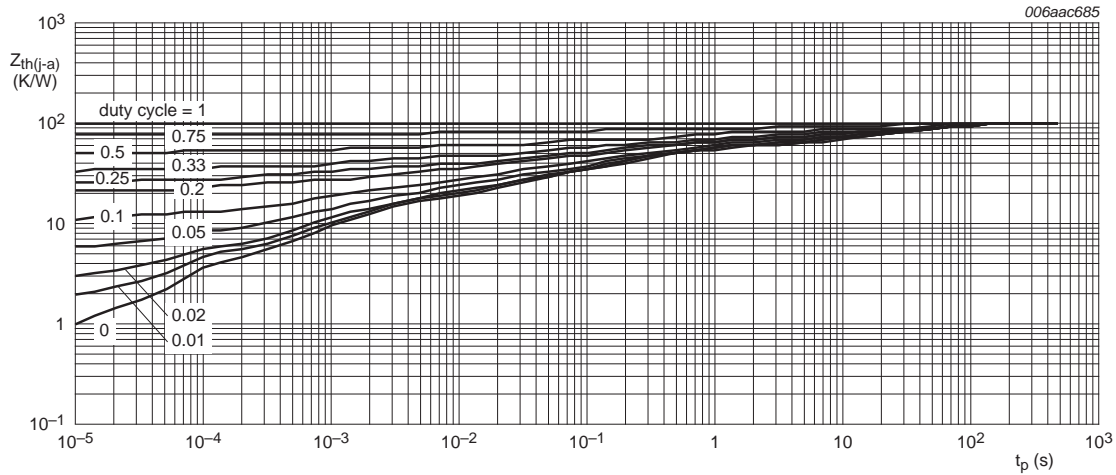
FR4 PCB, single-sided copper, standard footprint

**Fig 10. Transient thermal impedance from junction to ambient as a function of pulse duration for SOT1061; typical values**



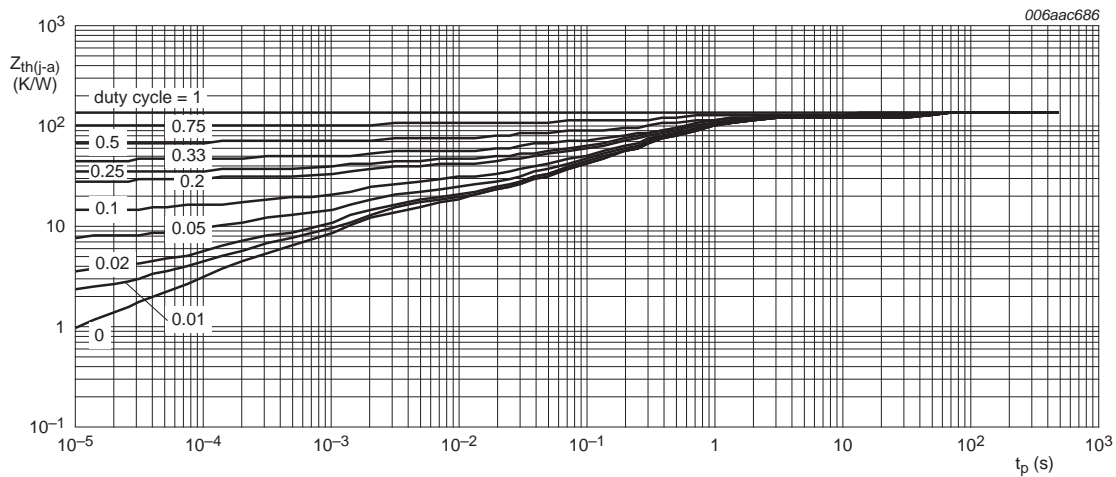
FR4 PCB, single-sided copper, mounting pad for collector 1 cm<sup>2</sup>

**Fig 11. Transient thermal impedance from junction to ambient as a function of pulse duration for SOT1061; typical values**



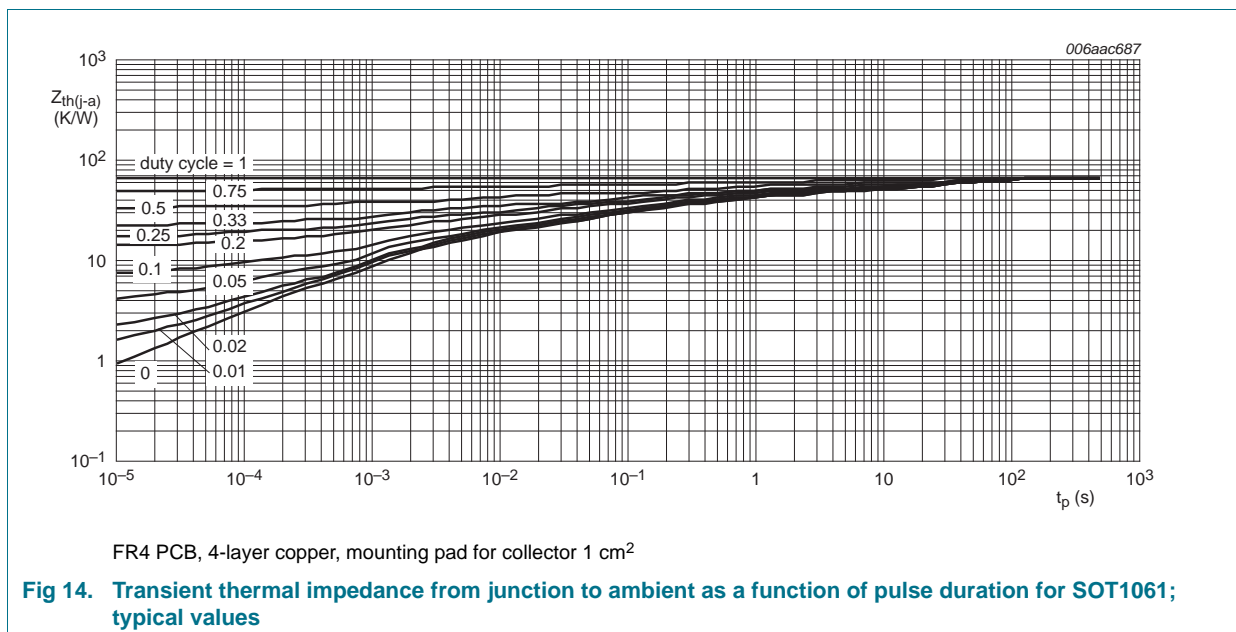
FR4 PCB, single-sided copper, mounting pad for collector 6 cm<sup>2</sup>

**Fig 12. Transient thermal impedance from junction to ambient as a function of pulse duration for SOT1061; typical values**



FR4 PCB, 4-layer copper, standard footprint

**Fig 13. Transient thermal impedance from junction to ambient as a function of pulse duration for SOT1061; typical values**



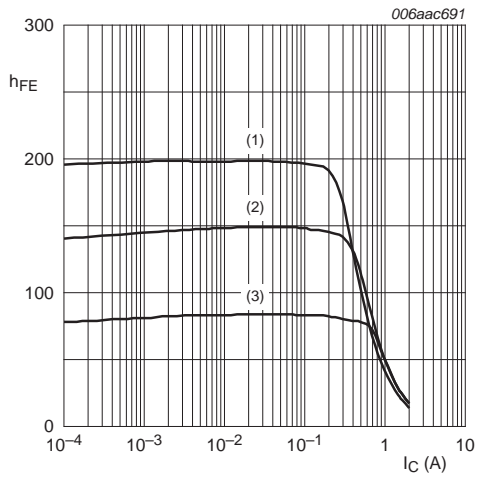
## 7. Characteristics

**Table 8. Characteristics**

*T<sub>amb</sub> = 25 °C unless otherwise specified.*

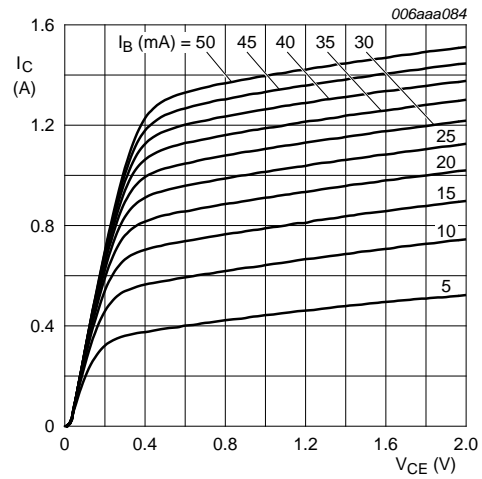
| Symbol                        | Parameter                            | Conditions  | Min | Typ | Max | Unit  |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| I <sub>CBO</sub>              | collector-base cut-off current       | V <sub>CB</sub> = 30 V; I <sub>E</sub> = 0 A                                | -   | -   | 100 | nA    |
|                               |                                      | V <sub>CB</sub> = 30 V; I <sub>E</sub> = 0 A;<br>T <sub>j</sub> = 150 °C    | -   | -   | 10  | μA    |
| I <sub>EBO</sub>              | emitter-base cut-off current         | V <sub>EB</sub> = 5 V; I <sub>C</sub> = 0 A                                 | -   | -   | 100 | nA    |
| h <sub>FE</sub>               | DC current gain                      | V <sub>CE</sub> = 2 V   |     |     |     |       |
|                               |                                      | I <sub>C</sub> = 5 mA   | [1] | 63  | -   | -     |
|                               |                                      | I <sub>C</sub> = 150 mA   | [1] | 63  | -   | 250   |
|                               | I <sub>C</sub> = 500 mA              | [1]   | 40  | -   | -   |       |
|                               | DC current gain                      | V <sub>CE</sub> = 2 V   |     |     |     |       |
| h <sub>FE</sub> selection -10 |                                      | I <sub>C</sub> = 150 mA   | [1] | 63  | -   | 160   |
|                               | h <sub>FE</sub> selection -16        | I <sub>C</sub> = 150 mA   | [1] | 100 | -   | 250   |
| V <sub>CEsat</sub>            | collector-emitter saturation voltage | I <sub>C</sub> = 500 mA; I <sub>B</sub> = 50 mA                             | [1] | -   | -   | 0.5 V |
| V <sub>BE</sub>               | base-emitter voltage                 | V <sub>CE</sub> = 2 V; I <sub>C</sub> = 500 mA                              | [1] | -   | -   | 1 V   |
| C <sub>c</sub>                | collector capacitance                | V <sub>CB</sub> = 10 V; I <sub>E</sub> = i <sub>e</sub> = 0 A;<br>f = 1 MHz | -   | 6   | -   | pF    |
| f <sub>T</sub>                | transition frequency                 | V <sub>CE</sub> = 5 V; I <sub>C</sub> = 50 mA;<br>f = 100 MHz               | 100 | 180 | -   | MHz   |

[1] Pulse test: t<sub>p</sub> ≤ 300 μs; δ = 0.02.



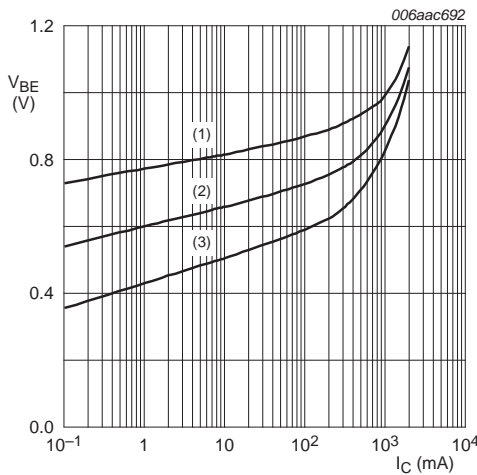
$V_{CE} = 2\text{ V}$   
 (1)  $T_{amb} = 100\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$   
 (2)  $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$   
 (3)  $T_{amb} = -55\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$

**Fig 15. DC current gain as a function of collector current; typical values**



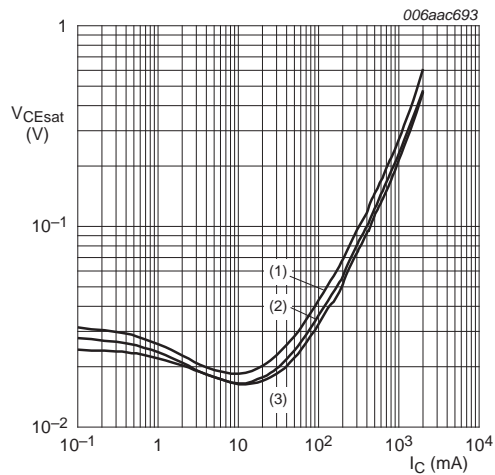
$T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$

**Fig 16. Collector current as a function of collector-emitter voltage; typical values**



$V_{CE} = 2\text{ V}$   
 (1)  $T_{amb} = -55\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$   
 (2)  $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$   
 (3)  $T_{amb} = 100\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$

**Fig 17. Base-emitter voltage as a function of collector current; typical values**



$I_C/I_B = 10$   
 (1)  $T_{amb} = 100\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$   
 (2)  $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$   
 (3)  $T_{amb} = -55\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$

**Fig 18. Collector-emitter saturation voltage as a function of collector current; typical values**

## 8. Test information

### 8.1 Quality information

This product has been qualified in accordance with the Automotive Electronics Council (AEC) standard Q101 - *Stress test qualification for discrete semiconductors*, and is suitable for use in automotive applications.

## 9. Package outline

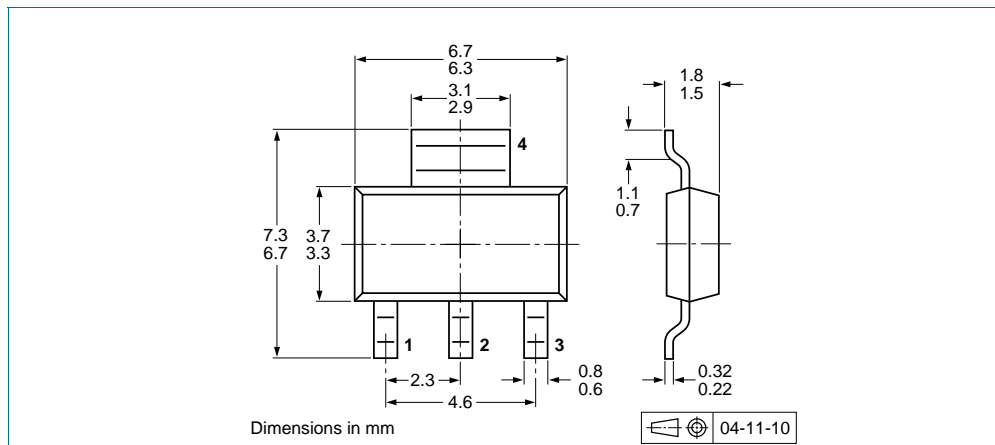


Fig 19. Package outline SOT223 (SC-73)

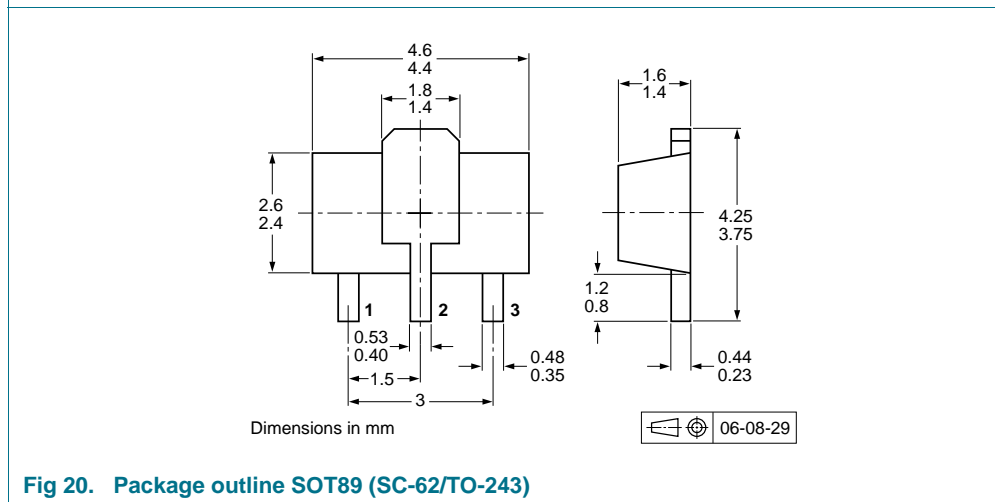


Fig 20. Package outline SOT89 (SC-62/TO-243)

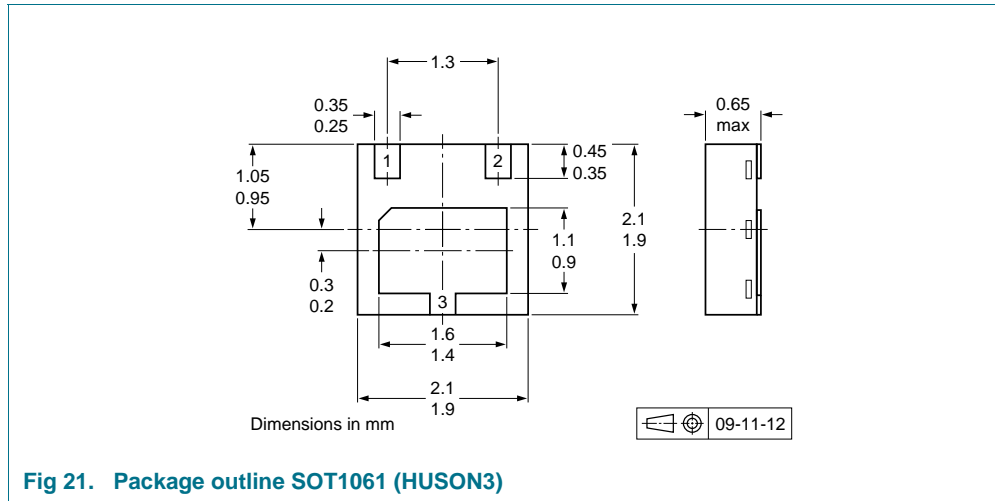


Fig 21. Package outline SOT1061 (HUSON3)

## 10. Packing information

**Table 9. Packing methods**

The indicated -xxx are the last three digits of the 12NC ordering code.<sup>[1]</sup>

| Type number <sup>[2]</sup> | Package | Description  | Packing quantity |      |      |
|----------------------------|---------|--|------------------|------|------|
|                            |         |  | 1000             | 3000 | 4000 |
| BCP55                      | SOT223  | 8 mm pitch, 12 mm tape and reel                    | -115             | -    | -135 |
| BCX55                      | SOT89   | 8 mm pitch, 12 mm tape and reel; T1 <sup>[3]</sup> | -115             | -    | -135 |
|                            |         | 8 mm pitch, 12 mm tape and reel; T3 <sup>[4]</sup> | -146             | -    | -    |
| BC55PA                     | SOT1061 | 4 mm pitch, 8 mm tape and reel                     | -                | -115 | -    |

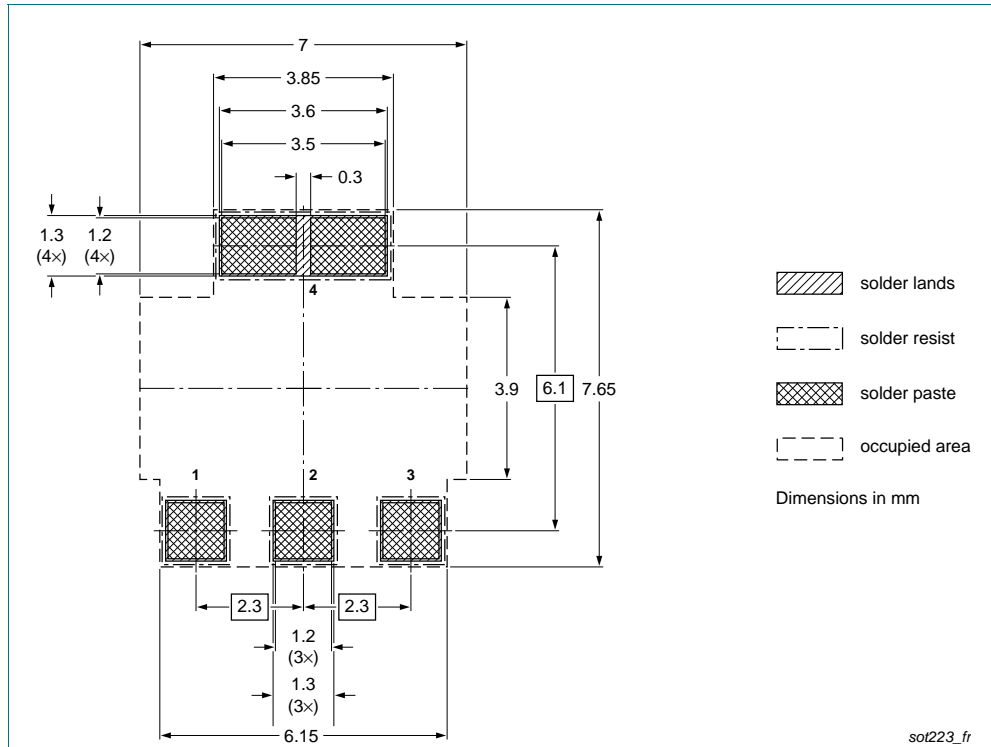
[1] For further information and the availability of packing methods, see [Section 14](#).

[2] Valid for all available selection groups.

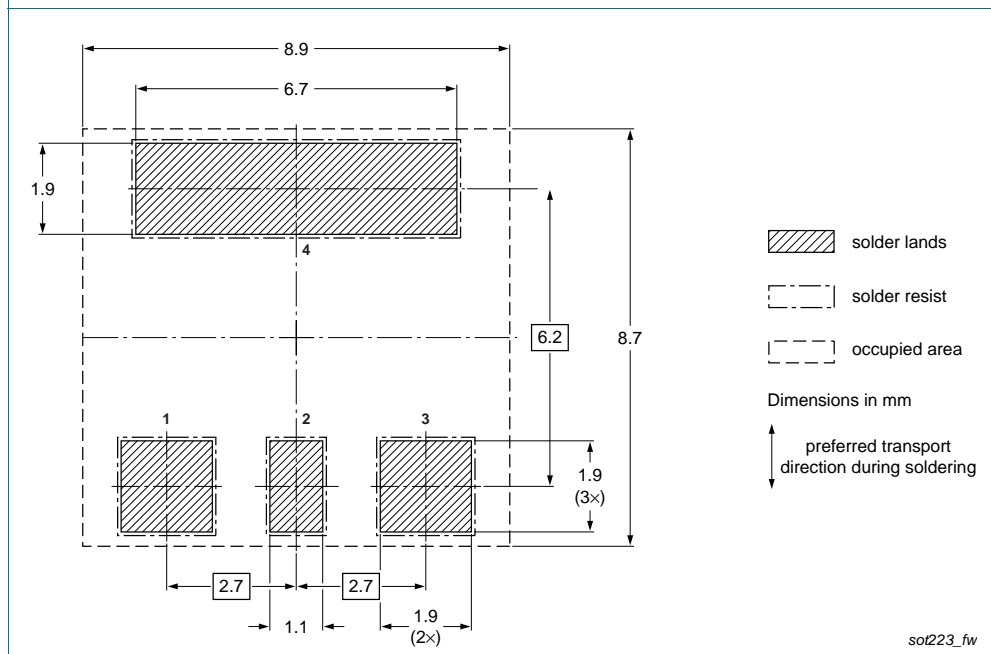
[3] T1: normal taping

[4] T3: 90° rotated taping

**11. Soldering**



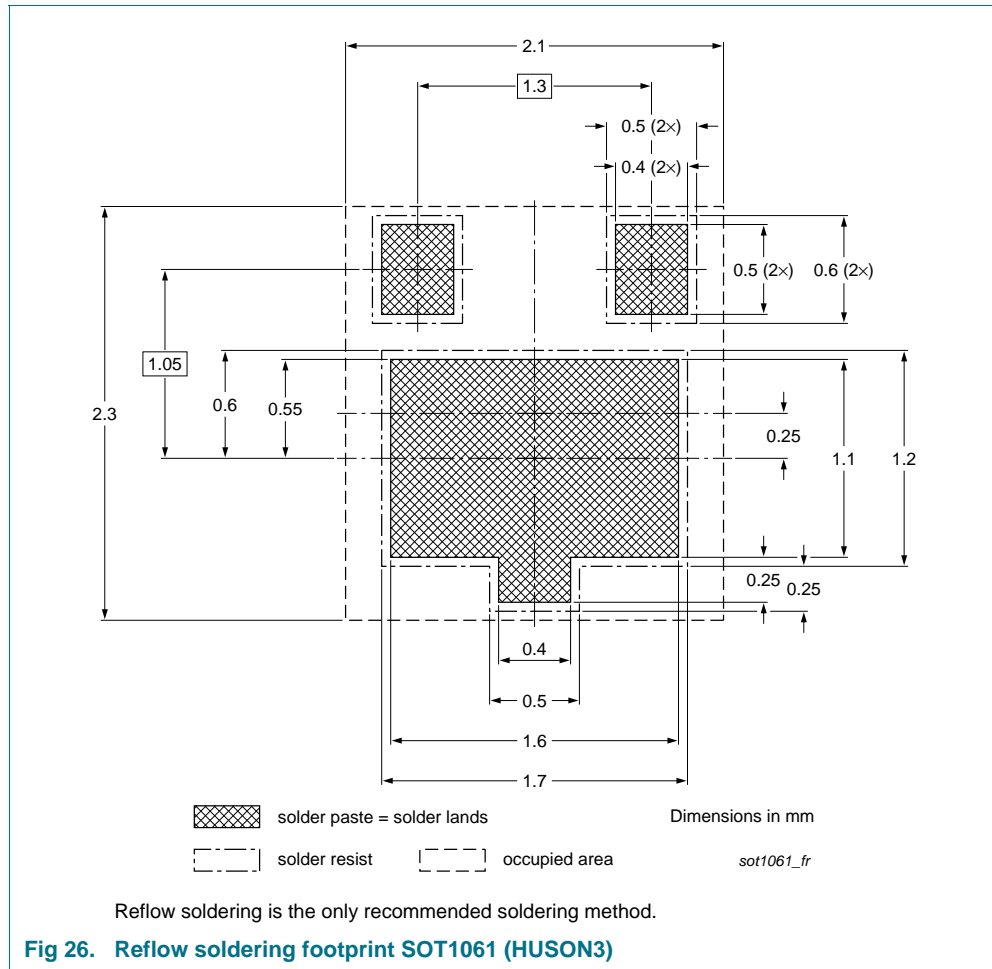
**Fig 22. Reflow soldering footprint SOT223 (SC-73)**



**Fig 23. Wave soldering footprint SOT223 (SC-73)**







## 12. Revision history

**Table 10. Revision history**

| Document ID  | Release date | Data sheet status     | Change notice     | Supersedes  |
|--|--------------|-----------------------|-------------------|---|
| BCP55_BCX55_BC55PA v.8   | 20111024     | Product data sheet    | -                 | BC637_BCP55_BCX55 v.7                                   |
| Modifications:   |              |                       |                   |   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Type number removed: BC637</li> <li>• Type number added: BC55PA, BC55-10PA and BC55-16PA</li> <li>• <a href="#">Section 1 "Product profile"</a>: updated</li> <li>• <a href="#">Section 2 "Pinning information"</a>: updated</li> <li>• <a href="#">Table 6</a> and <a href="#">7</a>: updated according to latest measurements</li> <li>• <a href="#">Figure 1, 2, 4, 5, 7</a> to <a href="#">9, 15, 17</a> and <a href="#">18</a>: updated</li> <li>• <a href="#">Figure 3, 6, 10</a> to <a href="#">14</a>: added</li> <li>• <a href="#">Section 8 "Test information"</a>: added</li> <li>• <a href="#">Section 10 "Packing information"</a>: updated</li> <li>• <a href="#">Section 11 "Soldering"</a>: added</li> <li>• <a href="#">Section 13 "Legal information"</a>: updated</li> </ul> |              |                       |                   |   |
| BC637_BCP55_BCX55 v.7  | 20070625     | Product data sheet    | -                 | BC637_BCP55_BCX55 v.6                                   |
| BC637_BCP55_BCX55 v.6  | 20050218     | Product data sheet    | CPCN2004050<br>29 | BC635_637_639 v.4<br>BCP54_55_56 v.5<br>BCX54_55_56 v.4 |
| BC635_637_639 v.4  | 20011010     | Product specification | -                 | BC635_637_639 v.3                                       |
| BCP54_55_56 v.5  | 20030206     | Product specification | -                 | BCP54_55_56 v.4   |
| BCX54_55_56 v.4  | 20011010     | Product specification | -                 | BCX54_55_56 v.3   |

## 13. Legal information

### 13.1 Data sheet status

| Document status <sup>[1][2]</sup> | Product status <sup>[3]</sup> | Definition  |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Objective [short] data sheet      | Development                   | This document contains data from the objective specification for product development. |
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