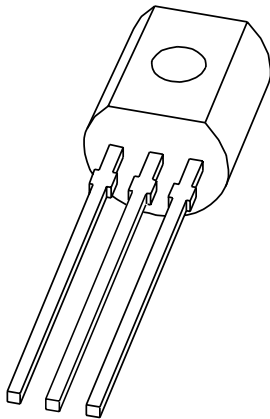


# DATA SHEET



## **BC546; BC547** NPN general purpose transistors

Product specification  
Supersedes data of 1997 Mar 04

1999 Apr 15

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## FEATURES

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

## APPLICATIONS

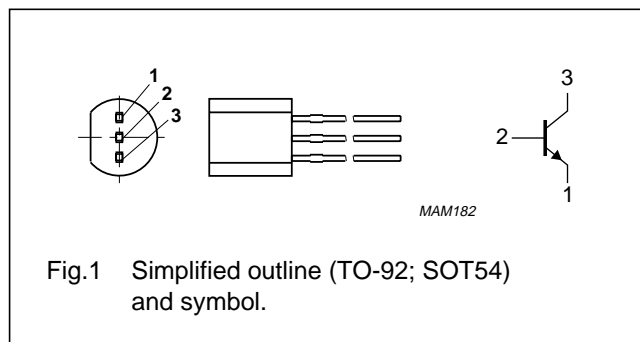
- General purpose switching and amplification.

## DESCRIPTION

NPN transistor in a TO-92; SOT54 plastic package.  
PNP complements: BC556 and BC557.

## PINNING

PIN	DESCRIPTION
1	emitter
2	base
3	collector



## LIMITING VALUES

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

SYMBOL	PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	MIN.	MAX.	UNIT
$V_{CBO}$	collector-base voltage	open emitter			
	BC546		—	80	V
	BC547		—	50	V
$V_{CEO}$	collector-emitter voltage	open base			
	BC546		—	65	V
	BC547		—	45	V
$V_{EBO}$	emitter-base voltage	open collector			
	BC546		—	6	V
	BC547		—	6	V
$I_C$	collector current (DC)		—	100	mA
$I_{CM}$	peak collector current		—	200	mA
$I_{BM}$	peak base current		—	200	mA
$P_{tot}$	total power dissipation	$T_{amb} \leq 25\text{ °C}$ ; note 1	—	500	mW
$T_{stg}$	storage temperature		−65	+150	°C
$T_j$	junction temperature		—	150	°C
$T_{amb}$	operating ambient temperature		−65	+150	°C

## Note

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

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## THERMAL CHARACTERISTICS

SYMBOL	PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	VALUE	UNIT
$R_{th\ j-a}$	thermal resistance from junction to ambient	note 1	0.25	K/mW

## Note

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## CHARACTERISTICS

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

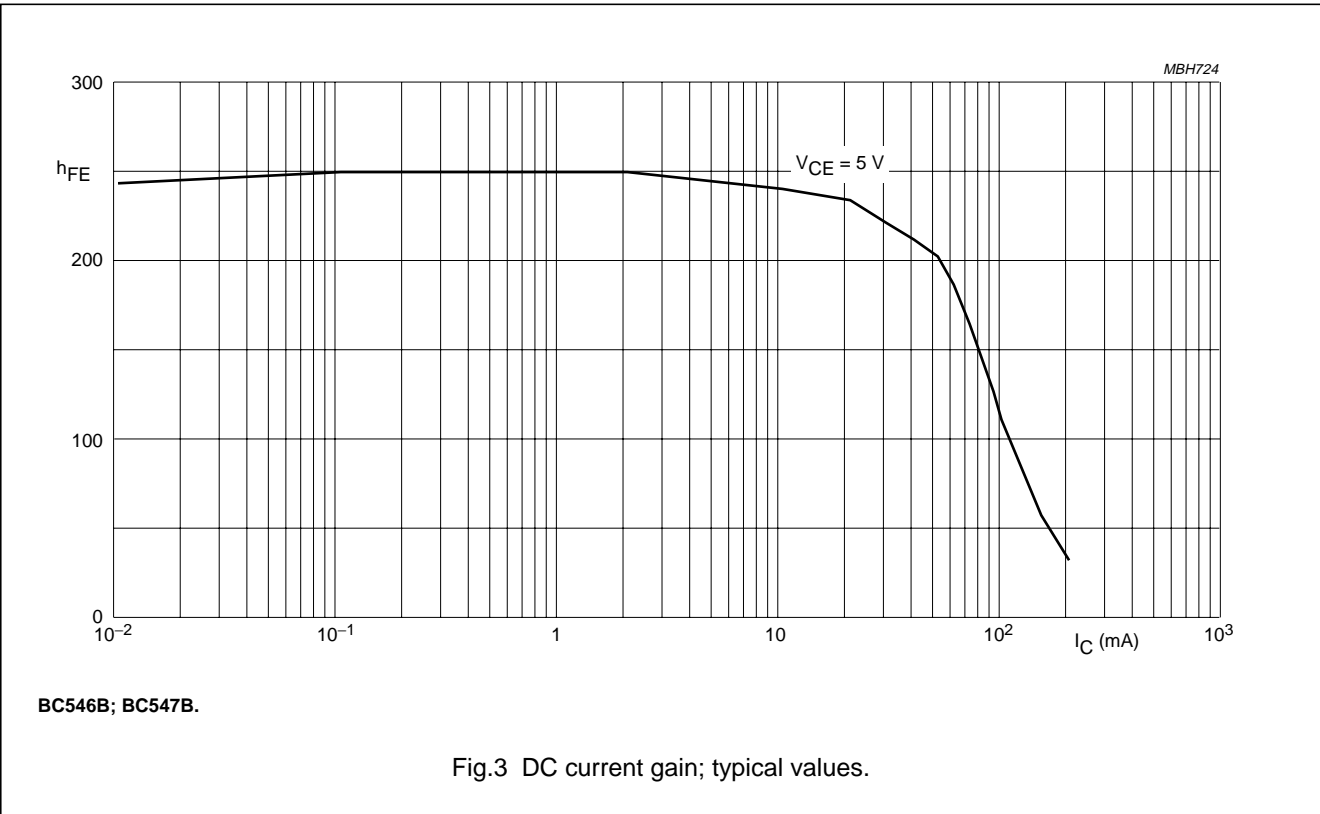
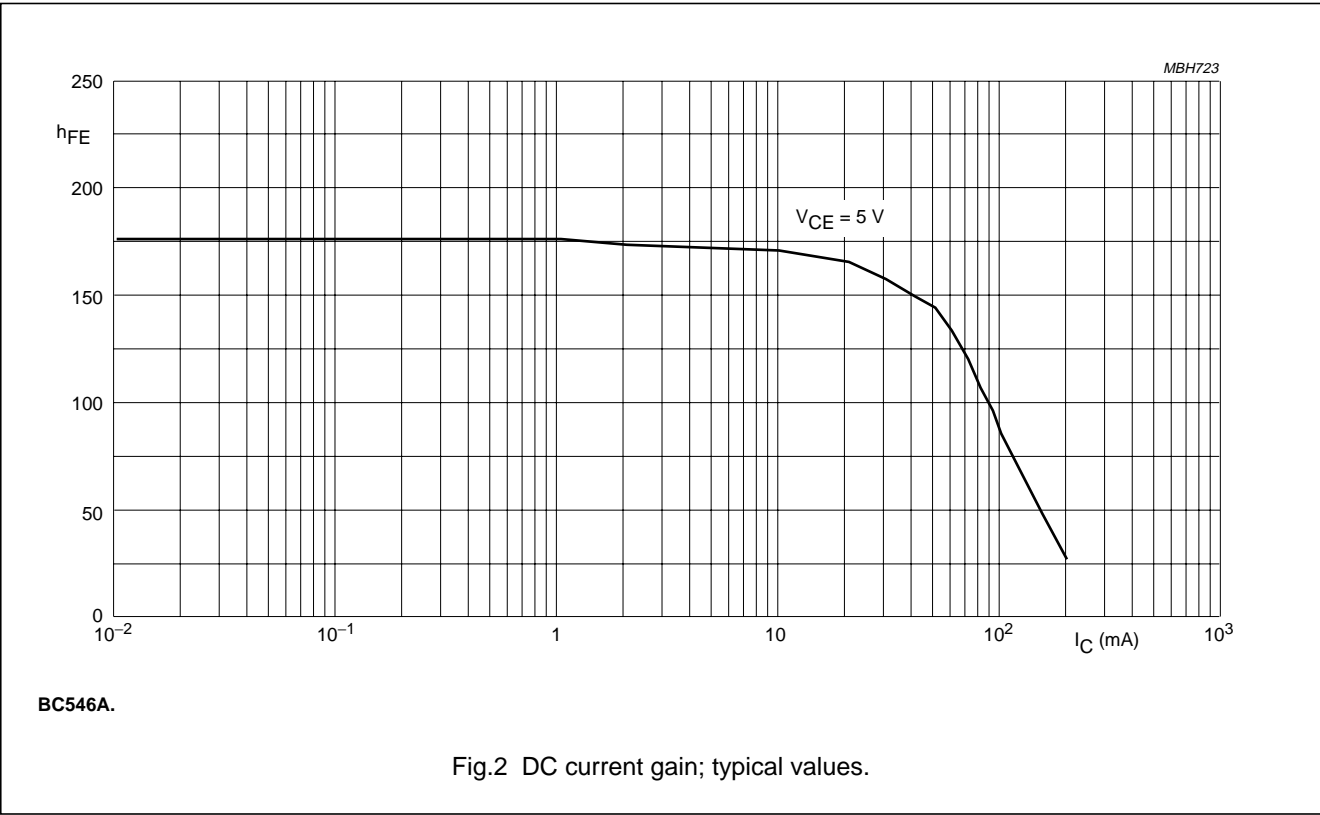
SYMBOL	PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	MIN.	TYP.	MAX.	UNIT
$I_{CBO}$	collector cut-off current	$I_E = 0; V_{CB} = 30\text{ V}$	–	–	15	nA
		$I_E = 0; V_{CB} = 30\text{ V}; T_j = 150\text{ °C}$	–	–	5	$\mu\text{A}$
$I_{EBO}$	emitter cut-off current	$I_C = 0; V_{EB} = 5\text{ V}$	–	–	100	nA
$h_{FE}$	DC current gain BC546A	$I_C = 10\text{ }\mu\text{A}; V_{CE} = 5\text{ V};$ see Figs 2, 3 and 4	–	90	–	
	BC546B; BC547B		–	150	–	
	BC547C		–	270	–	
	DC current gain BC546A	$I_C = 2\text{ mA}; V_{CE} = 5\text{ V};$ see Figs 2, 3 and 4	110	180	220	
	BC546B; BC547B		200	290	450	
	BC547C		420	520	800	
	BC547		110	–	800	
	BC546		110	–	450	
$V_{CEsat}$	collector-emitter saturation voltage	$I_C = 10\text{ mA}; I_B = 0.5\text{ mA}$	–	90	250	mV
		$I_C = 100\text{ mA}; I_B = 5\text{ mA}$	–	200	600	mV
$V_{BEsat}$	base-emitter saturation voltage	$I_C = 10\text{ mA}; I_B = 0.5\text{ mA};$ note 1	–	700	–	mV
		$I_C = 100\text{ mA}; I_B = 5\text{ mA};$ note 1	–	900	–	mV
$V_{BE}$	base-emitter voltage	$I_C = 2\text{ mA}; V_{CE} = 5\text{ V};$ note 2	580	660	700	mV
		$I_C = 10\text{ mA}; V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$	–	–	770	mV
$C_c$	collector capacitance	$I_E = i_e = 0; V_{CB} = 10\text{ V}; f = 1\text{ MHz}$	–	1.5	–	pF
$C_e$	emitter capacitance	$I_C = i_c = 0; V_{EB} = 0.5\text{ V}; f = 1\text{ MHz}$	–	11	–	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

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

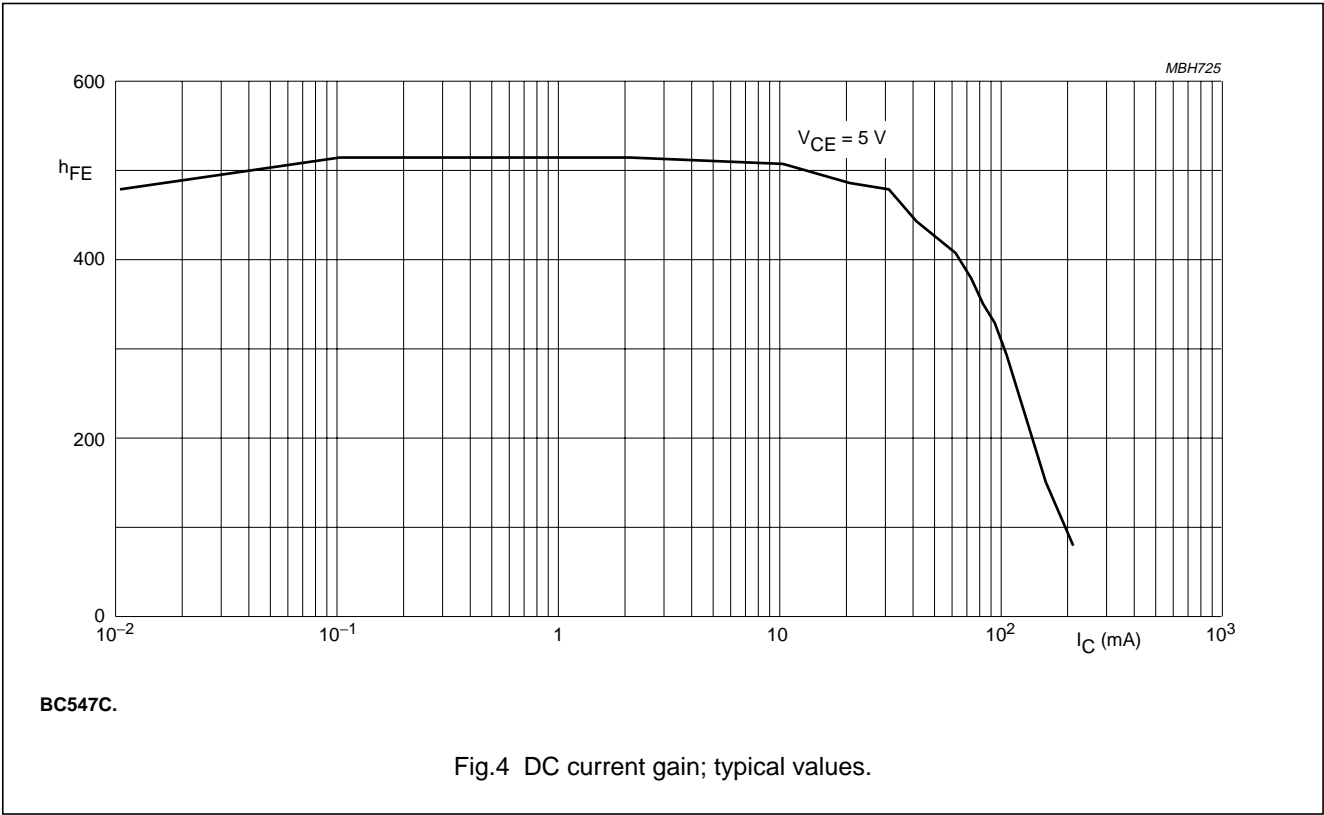
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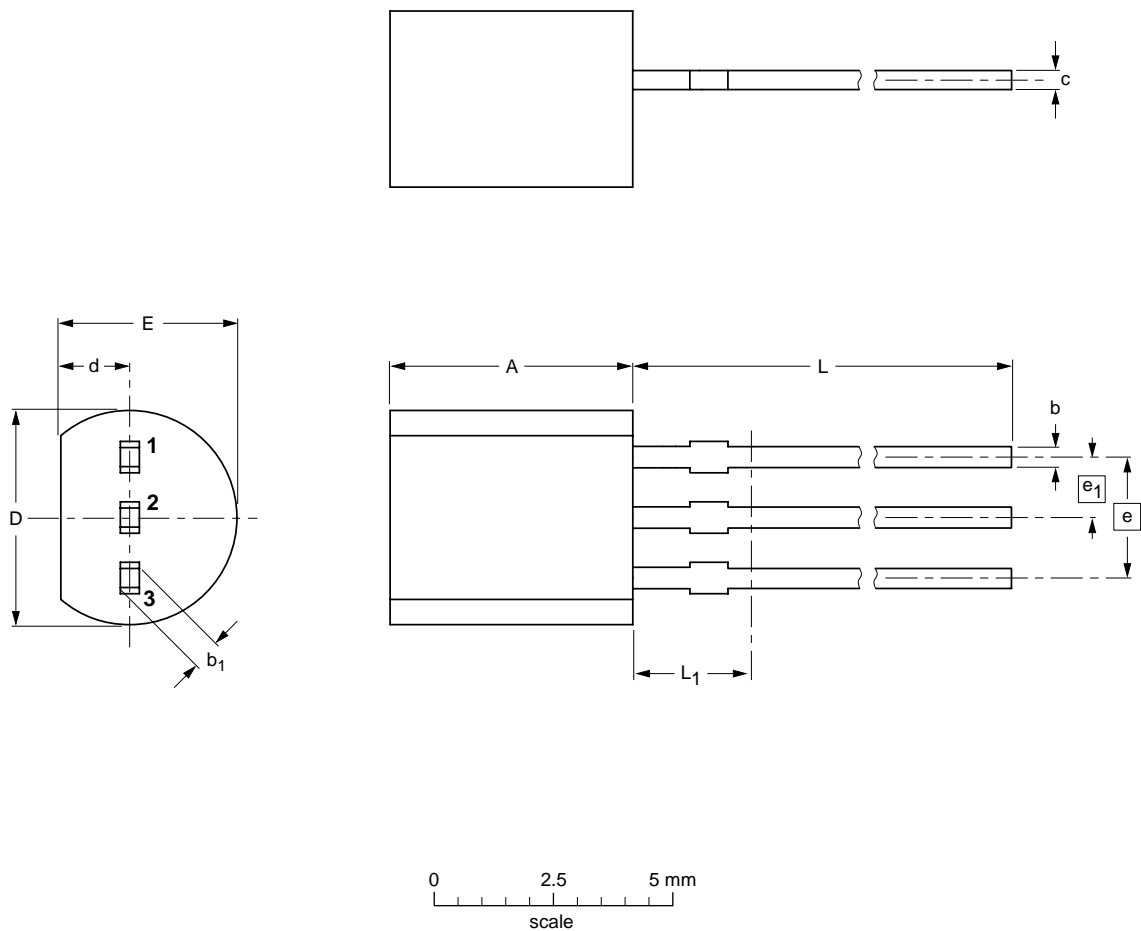
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PACKAGE OUTLINE

Plastic single-ended leaded (through hole) package; 3 leads

SOT54



DIMENSIONS (mm are the original dimensions)

UNIT	A	b	b <sub>1</sub>	c	D	d	E	e	e <sub>1</sub>	L	L <sub>1</sub> <sup>(1)</sup>
mm	5.2 5.0	0.48 0.40	0.66 0.56	0.45 0.40	4.8 4.4	1.7 1.4	4.2 3.6	2.54	1.27	14.5 12.7	2.5

Note

1. Terminal dimensions within this zone are uncontrolled to allow for flow of plastic and terminal irregularities.

OUTLINE VERSION	REFERENCES				EUROPEAN PROJECTION	ISSUE DATE
	IEC	JEDEC	EIAJ			
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