



PBSS5120T

20 V; 1 A PNP low V_{CEsat} transistor

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Product data sheet

1. General description

PNP low V_{CEsat} transistor in a small SOT23 Surface-Mounted Device (SMD) plastic package.

NPN complement: PBSS4120T

2. Features and benefits

- Small SMD plastic package
- Low collector-emitter saturation voltage V_{CEsat}
- High collector current capability I_C and I_{CM}
- Higher efficiency to less heat generation
- AEC-Q101 qualified

3. Applications

- DC-to-DC conversion
- Supply line switching
- Battery charger
- LCD backlighting
- Driver in low supply voltage applications (e.g. lamps and LEDs)

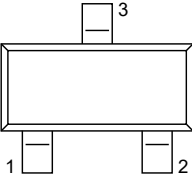
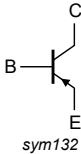
4. Quick reference data

Table 1. Quick reference data

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
V _{CEO}	collector-emitter voltage	open base	-	-	-20	V
I _C	collector current		-	-	-1	A
I _{CM}	peak collector current	single pulse; t _p ≤ 1 ms	-	-	-2	A
R _{CEsat}	collector-emitter saturation resistance	I _C = -500 mA; I _B = -50 mA; pulsed; t _p ≤ 300 μs; δ ≤ 0.02; T _{amb} = 25 °C	-	-	250	mΩ

5. Pinning information

Table 2. Pinning information

Pin	Symbol	Description	Simplified outline	Graphic symbol
1	B	base	 SOT23	 sym132
2	E	emitter		
3	C	collector		

6. Ordering information

Table 3. Ordering information

Type number	Package		
	Name	Description	Version
PBSS5120T	SOT23	plastic, surface-mounted package; 3 terminals; 1.9 mm pitch; 2.9 mm x 1.3 mm x 1 mm body	SOT23

7. Marking

Table 4. Marking codes

Type number	Marking code[1]
PBSS5120T	%3K

[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 _{CBO}	collector-base voltage	open emitter		-	-20	V
V _{CEO}	collector-emitter voltage	open base		-	-20	V
V _{EBO}	emitter-base voltage	open collector		-	-5	V
I _C	collector current	single pulse; t _p ≤ 1 ms		-	-1	A
I _{CM}	peak collector current			-	-2	A
I _{BM}	peak base current			-	-200	mA
P _{tot}	total power dissipation	T _{amb} ≤ 25 °C	[1]	-	300	mW
			[2]	-	480	mW
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 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 cm².

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]	-	-	417	K/W
			[2]	-	-	260	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 cm².

10. Characteristics

Table 7. Characteristics

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions		Min	Typ	Max	Unit
I_{CBO}	collector-base cut-off current	$V_{CB} = -20\text{ V}; I_E = 0\text{ A}; T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		-	-	-100	nA
		$V_{CB} = -20\text{ V}; I_E = 0\text{ A}; T_j = 150\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		-	-	-50	μA
I_{EBO}	emitter-base cut-off current	$V_{EB} = -4\text{ V}; I_C = 0\text{ A}; T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		-	-	-100	nA
h_{FE}	DC current gain	$V_{CE} = -2\text{ V}; I_C = -100\text{ mA}; \text{pulsed}; t_p \leq 300\text{ }\mu\text{s}; \delta \leq 0.02; T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		300	450	-	
		$V_{CE} = -2\text{ V}; I_C = -500\text{ mA}; \text{pulsed}; t_p \leq 300\text{ }\mu\text{s}; \delta \leq 0.02; T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		250	350	-	
		$V_{CE} = -2\text{ V}; I_C = -1\text{ A}; \text{pulsed}; t_p \leq 300\text{ }\mu\text{s}; \delta \leq 0.02; T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		200	290	-	
V_{CEsat}	collector-emitter saturation voltage	$I_C = -100\text{ mA}; I_B = -1\text{ mA}; \text{pulsed}; t_p \leq 300\text{ }\mu\text{s}; \delta \leq 0.02; T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		-	-	-100	mV
		$I_C = -500\text{ mA}; I_B = -50\text{ mA}; \text{pulsed}; t_p \leq 300\text{ }\mu\text{s}; \delta \leq 0.02; T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		-	-	-125	mV
		$I_C = -1\text{ A}; I_B = -50\text{ mA}; \text{pulsed}; t_p \leq 300\text{ }\mu\text{s}; \delta \leq 0.02; T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		-	-	-250	mV
R_{CEsat}	collector-emitter saturation resistance	$I_C = -500\text{ mA}; I_B = -50\text{ mA}; \text{pulsed}; t_p \leq 300\text{ }\mu\text{s}; \delta \leq 0.02; T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		-	-	250	m Ω
V_{BEsat}	base-emitter saturation voltage	$I_C = -1\text{ A}; I_B = -100\text{ mA}; \text{pulsed}; t_p \leq 300\text{ }\mu\text{s}; \delta \leq 0.02; T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		-	-	-1.1	V
V_{BEon}	base-emitter turn-on voltage	$V_{CE} = -2\text{ V}; I_C = -100\text{ mA}; \text{pulsed}; t_p \leq 300\text{ }\mu\text{s}; \delta \leq 0.02; T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		-	-	-0.75	V
f_T	transition frequency	$V_{CE} = -10\text{ V}; I_C = -100\text{ mA}; f = 100\text{ MHz}; T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		100	200	-	MHz
C_c	collector capacitance	$V_{CB} = -10\text{ V}; I_E = 0\text{ A}; i_e = 0\text{ A}; f = 1\text{ MHz}; T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$		-	-	28	pF

11. Test information

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.

12. Package outline

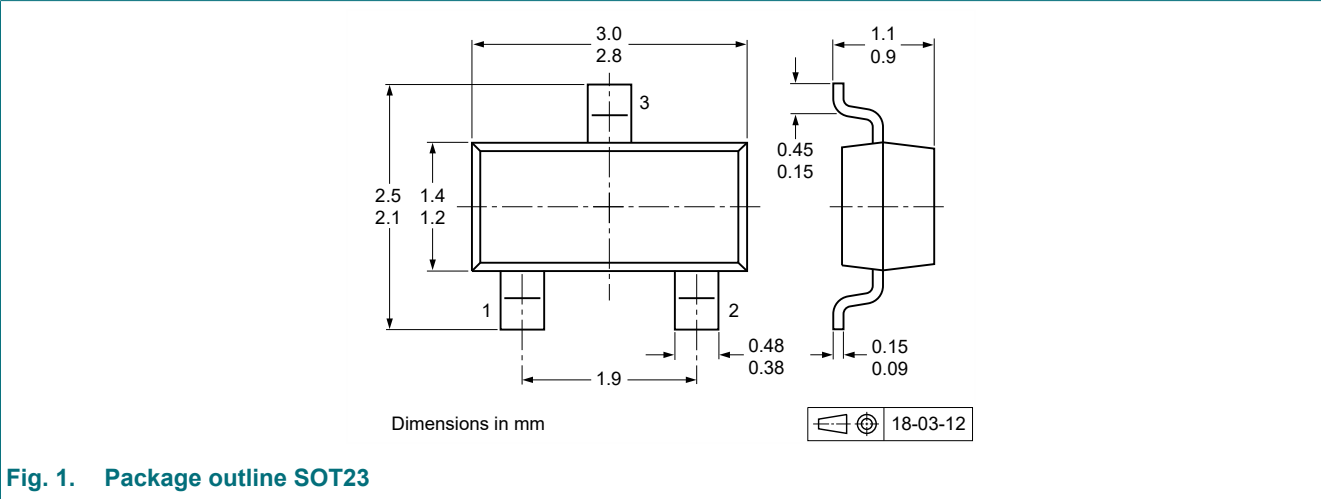


Fig. 1. Package outline SOT23

13. Soldering

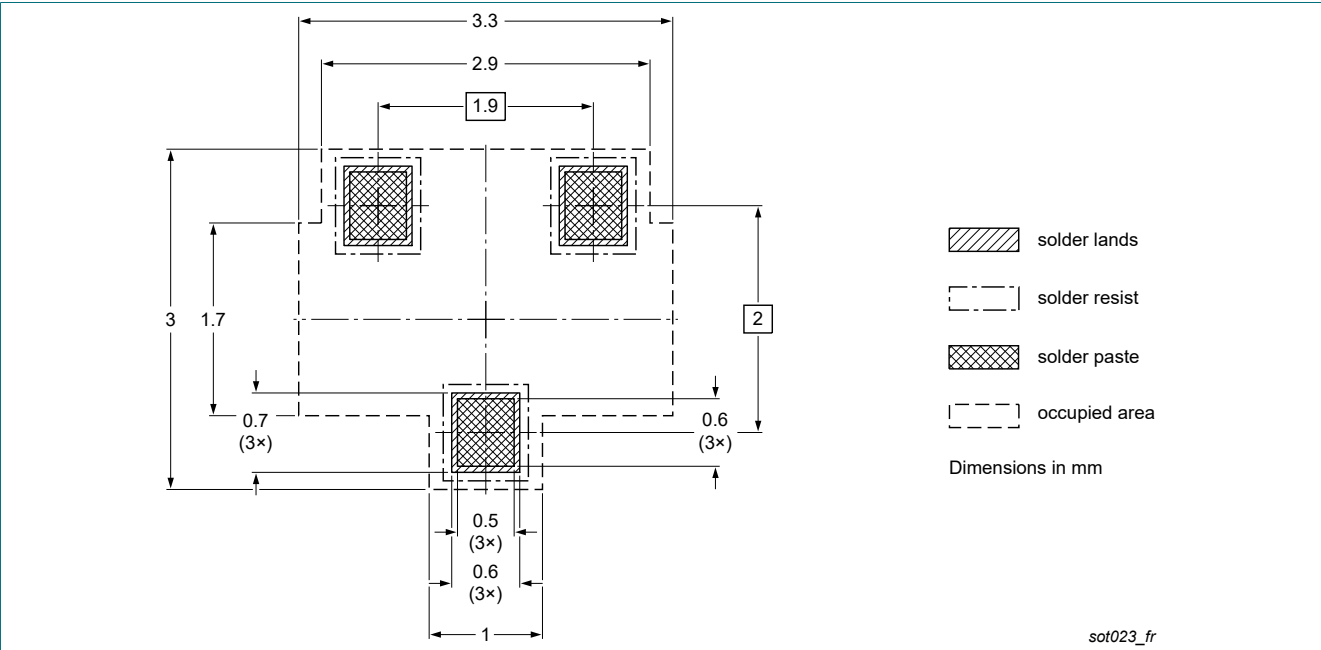


Fig. 2. Reflow soldering footprint for SOT23

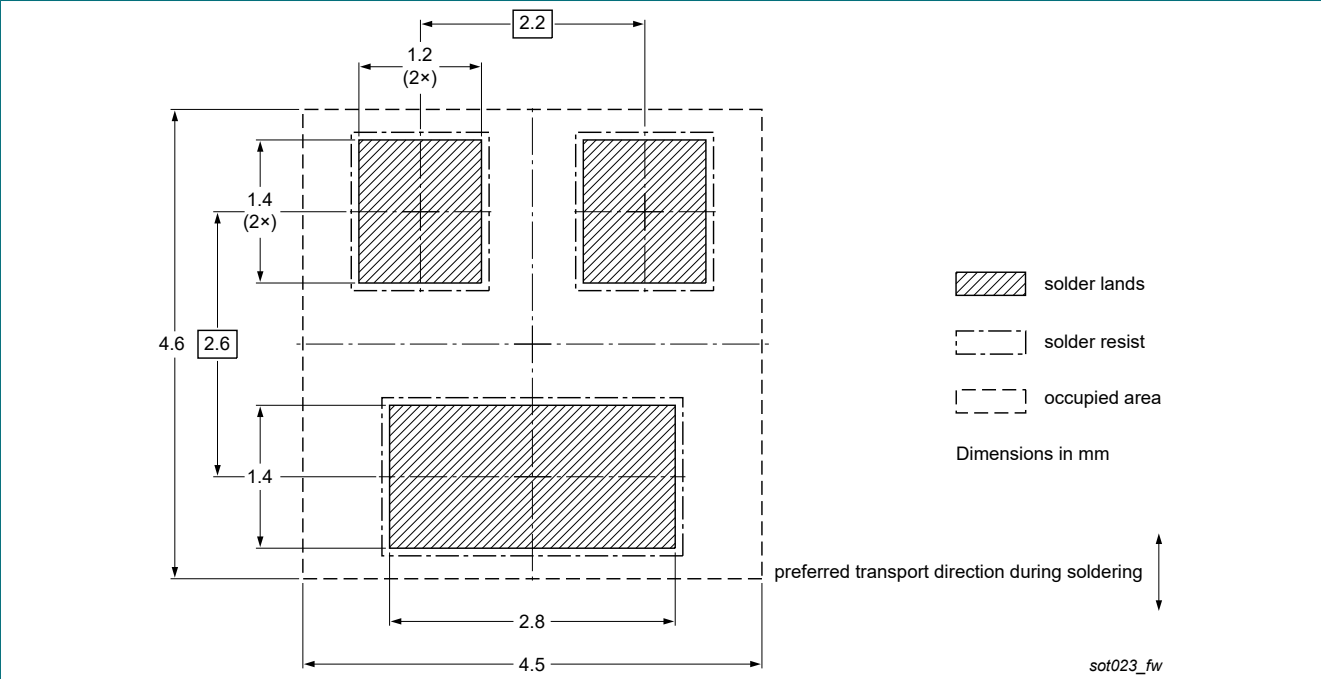


Fig. 3. Wave soldering footprint for SOT23

14. Revision history

Table 8. Revision history

Data sheet ID	Release date	Data sheet status	Change notice	Supersedes
PBSS5120T v.2	20250804	Product data sheet	-	PBSS5120T v.1
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PBSS5120T v.1	20031127	Product data sheet	-	-

15. Legal information

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