

## SILICON PLANAR EPITAXIAL TRANSISTORS

General purpose n-p-n transistors in a plastic TO-92 variant, especially suitable for use in driver stages of audio amplifiers.

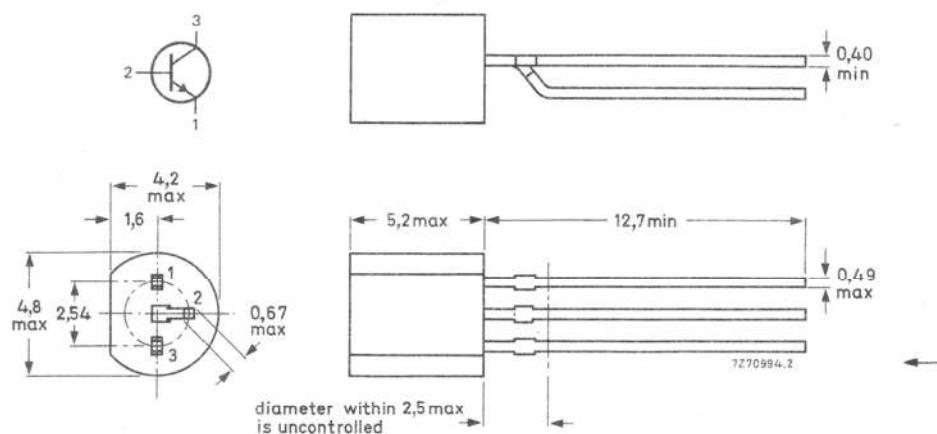
## QUICK REFERENCE DATA

		BC546	BC547	BC548
Collector-emitter voltage ( $V_{BE} = 0$ )	$V_{CES}$ max.	80	50	30 V
Collector-emitter voltage (open base)	$V_{CEO}$ max.	65	45	30 V
Collector current (peak value)	$I_{CM}$ max.	200	200	200 mA
Total power dissipation up to $T_{amb} = 25^\circ\text{C}$	$P_{tot}$ max.	500	500	500 mW
Junction temperature	$T_j$ max.	150	150	150 $^\circ\text{C}$
Small-signal current gain $I_C = 2 \text{ mA}; V_{CE} = 5 \text{ V}; f = 1 \text{ kHz}$	$h_{fe}$ > <	125 500	125 900	125 900
Transition frequency $I_C = 10 \text{ mA}; V_{CE} = 5 \text{ V}$	$f_T$ typ.	300	300	300 MHz
Noise figure at $R_S = 2 \text{ k}\Omega$ $I_C = 200 \mu\text{A}; V_{CE} = 5 \text{ V}$ $f = 1 \text{ kHz}; B = 200 \text{ Hz}$	F typ.	2	2	2 dB

## MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm

Fig. 1 TO-92 variant.



**BC546 to 548****RATINGS** Limiting values in accordance with the Absolute Maximum System (IEC134)

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<u>Voltage</u>					
Collector-base voltage (open emitter)	$V_{CBO}$	max.	80	50	30 V
Collector-emitter voltage ( $V_{BE} = 0$ )	$V_{CES}$	max.	80	50	30 V
Collector-emitter voltage (open base)	$V_{CEO}$	max.	65	45	30 V
Emitter-base voltage (open collector)	$V_{EBO}$	max.	6	6	5 V
<u>Current</u>					
Collector current (d.c.)	$I_C$		max.	100	mA
Collector current (peak value)	$I_{CM}$		max.	200	mA
Emitter current (peak value)	$-I_{EM}$		max.	200	mA
Base current (peak value)	$I_{BM}$		max.	200	mA
<u>Power dissipation</u>					
Total power dissipation up to $T_{amb} = 25^\circ\text{C}$	$P_{tot}$		max.	500	mW
<u>Temperature</u>					
Storage temperature	$T_{stg}$			-65 to +150	$^\circ\text{C}$
Junction temperature	$T_j$		max.	150	$^\circ\text{C}$
<b>THERMAL RESISTANCE</b>					
From junction to ambient in free air	$R_{th j-a}$	=		0,25	$^\circ\text{C}/\text{mW}$
From junction to case	$R_{th j-c}$	=		0,15	$^\circ\text{C}/\text{mW}$

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### CHARACTERISTICS

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

#### Collector cut-off current

$I_E = 0; V_{CB} = 30 \text{ V}$   
 $I_E = 0; V_{CB} = 30 \text{ V}; T_j = 150^\circ\text{C}$

$I_{CBO}$	<	15	nA
$I_{CBO}$	<	5	$\mu\text{A}$

#### Base-emitter voltage 1)

$I_C = 2 \text{ mA}; V_{CE} = 5 \text{ V}$

$V_{BE}$	typ.	660	mV
	580 to 700		mV

$I_C = 10 \text{ mA}; V_{CE} = 5 \text{ V}$

$V_{BE}$	<	770	mV
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#### Saturation voltage 2)

$I_C = 10 \text{ mA}; I_B = 0.5 \text{ mA}$

$V_{CEsat}$	typ.	90	mV
	<	250	mV

$V_{BEsat}$	typ.	700	mV
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$I_C = 100 \text{ mA}; I_B = 5 \text{ mA}$

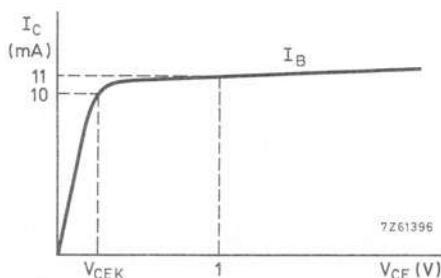
$V_{CEsat}$	typ.	200	mV
	<	600	mV

$V_{BEsat}$	typ.	900	mV
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#### Knee voltage

$I_C = 10 \text{ mA}; I_B = \text{value for which}$   
 $I_C = 11 \text{ mA at } V_{CE} = 1 \text{ V}$

$V_{CEK}$	typ.	300	mV
	<	600	mV



#### Collector capacitance at $f = 1 \text{ MHz}$

$I_E = I_e = 0; V_{CB} = -10 \text{ V}$

$C_C$	typ.	2,5	pF
	<	4,5	pF

#### Emitter capacitance at $f = 1 \text{ MHz}$

$I_C = I_e = 0; V_{EB} = 0,5 \text{ V}$

$C_e$	typ.	9	pF
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#### Transition frequency at $f = 35 \text{ MHz}$

$I_C = 10 \text{ mA}; V_{CE} = 5 \text{ V}$

$f_T$	typ.	300	MHz
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1)  $V_{BE}$  decreases by about  $2 \text{ mV}/^\circ\text{C}$  with increasing temperature.

2)  $V_{BEsat}$  decreases by about  $1,7 \text{ mV}/^\circ\text{C}$  with increasing temperature.

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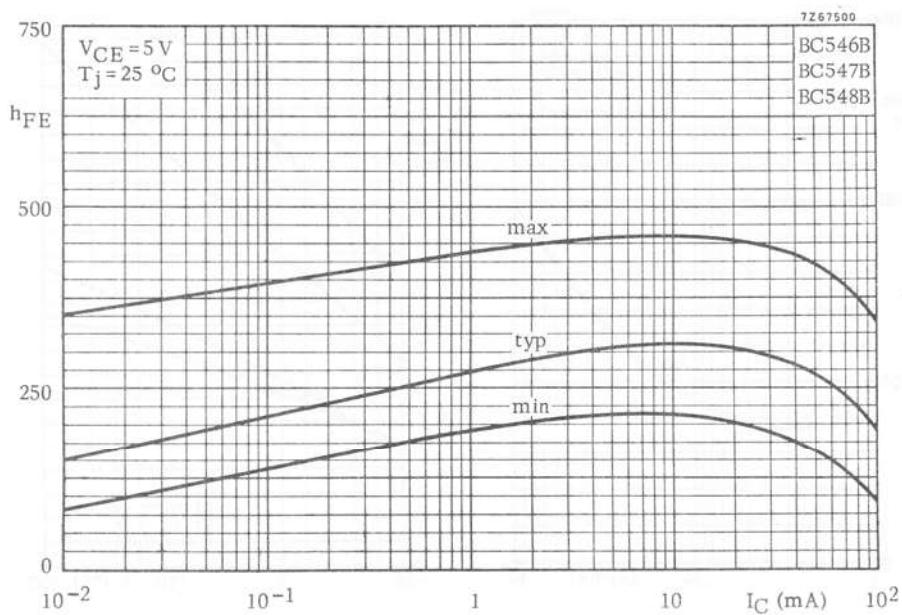
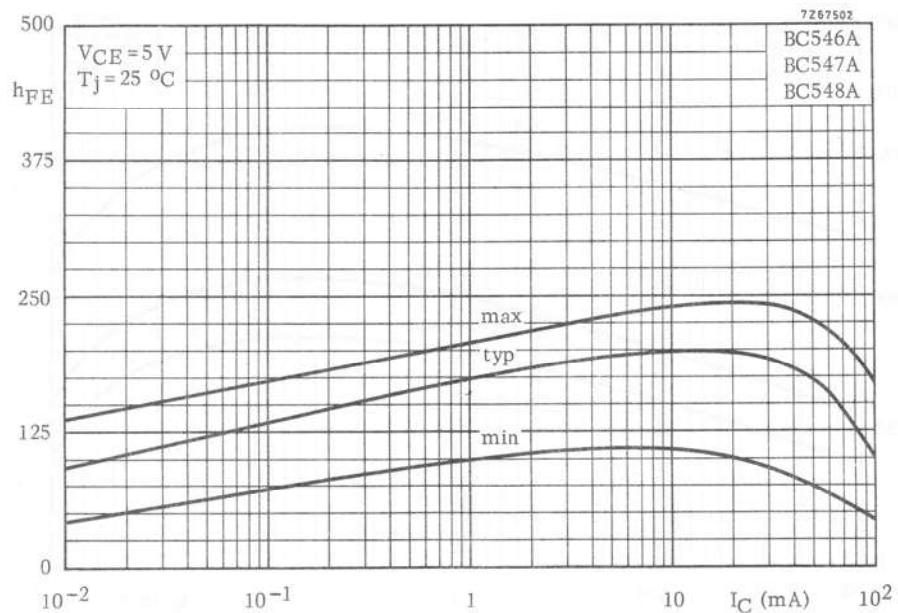
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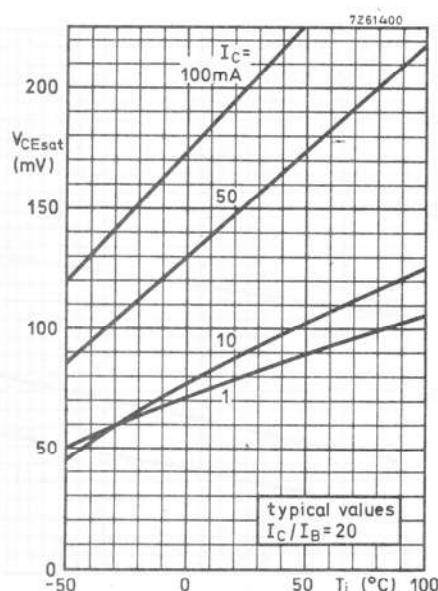
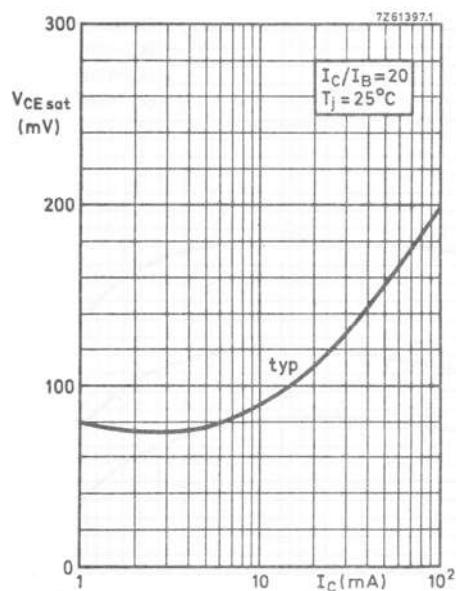
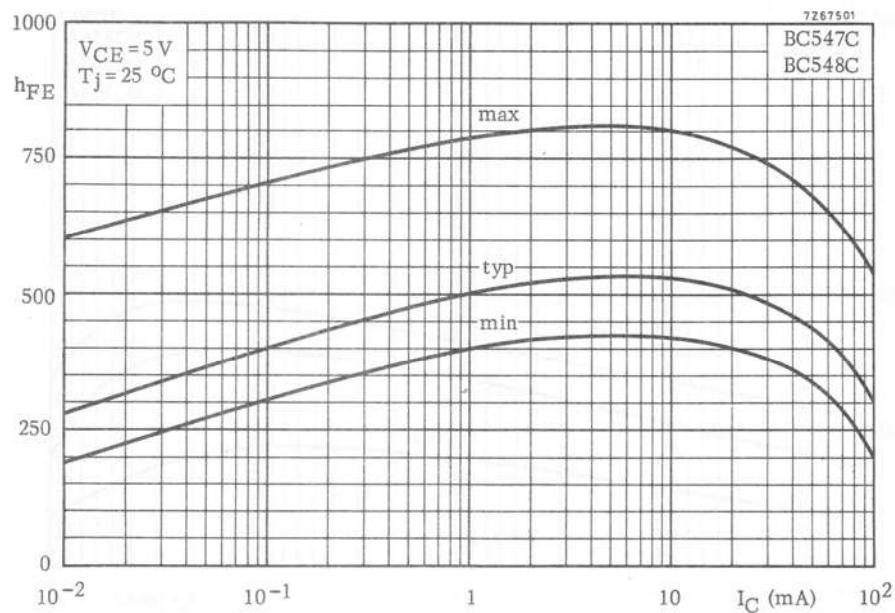
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<u>Small signal current gain at <math>f = 1 \text{ kHz}</math></u>					
$I_C = 2 \text{ mA}$ ; $V_{CE} = 5 \text{ V}$	$h_{FE}$	> <	125 500	125 900	125 900
<u>Noise figure at <math>R_S = 2 \text{ k}\Omega</math></u>					
$I_C = 200 \mu\text{A}$ ; $V_{CE} = 5 \text{ V}$ $f = 1 \text{ kHz}; B = 200 \text{ Hz}$	F	typ. <	2 10	2 10	2 dB 10 dB
			BC546A BC547A BC548A	BC546B BC547B BC548B	BC547C BC548C
<u>D.C. current gain</u>					
$I_C = 10 \mu\text{A}$ ; $V_{CE} = 5 \text{ V}$	$h_{FE}$	typ.	90	150	270
$I_C = 2 \text{ mA}$ ; $V_{CE} = 5 \text{ V}$	$h_{FE}$	> typ. <	110 180 220	200 290 450	420 520 800



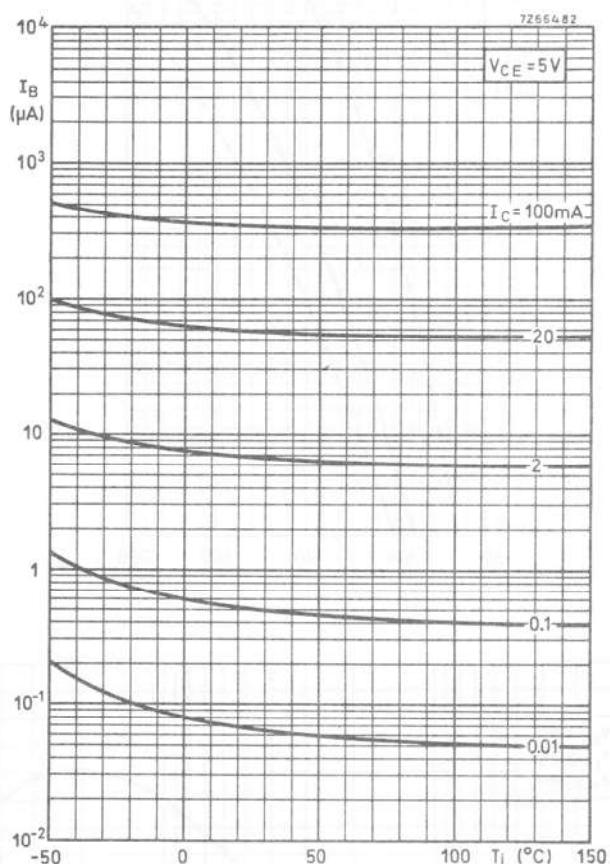
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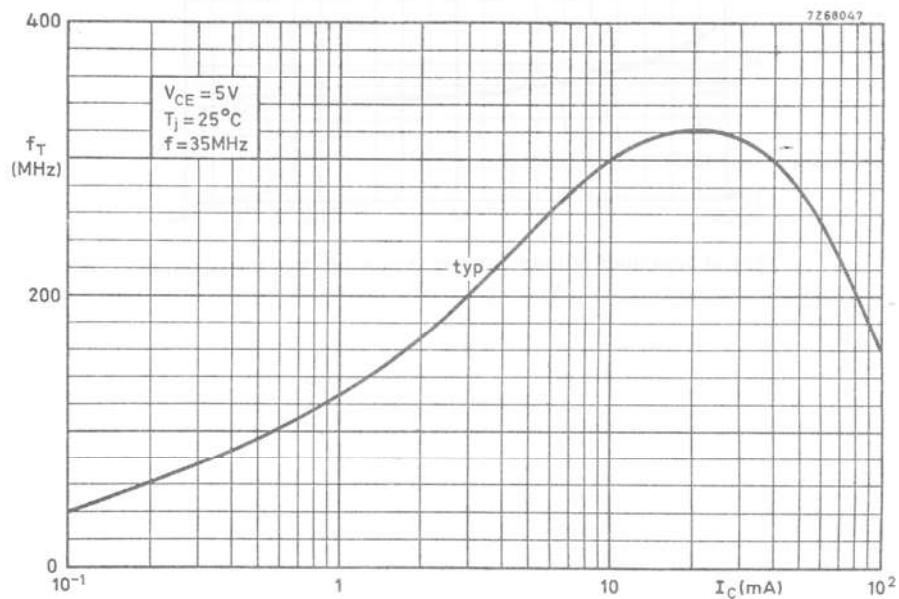
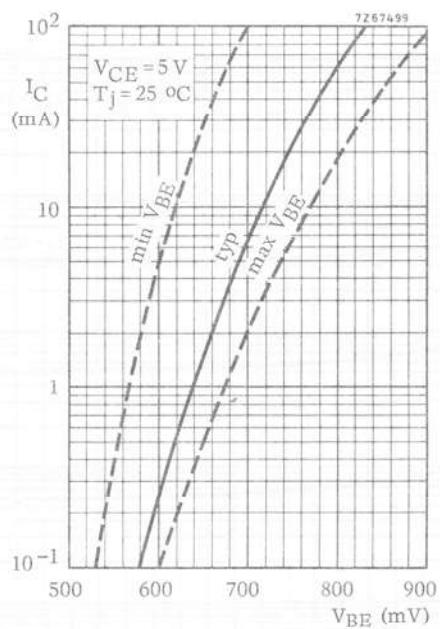


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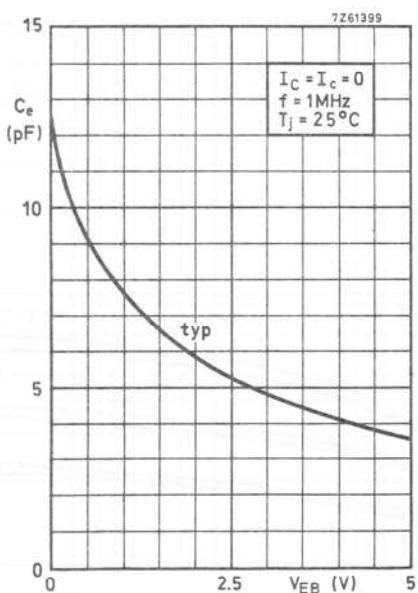
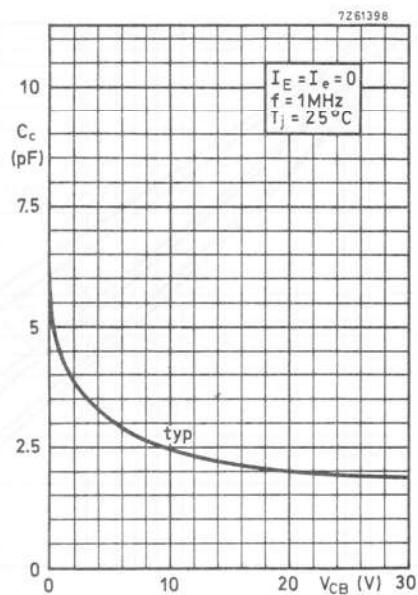


Typical behaviour of base current versus junction temperature

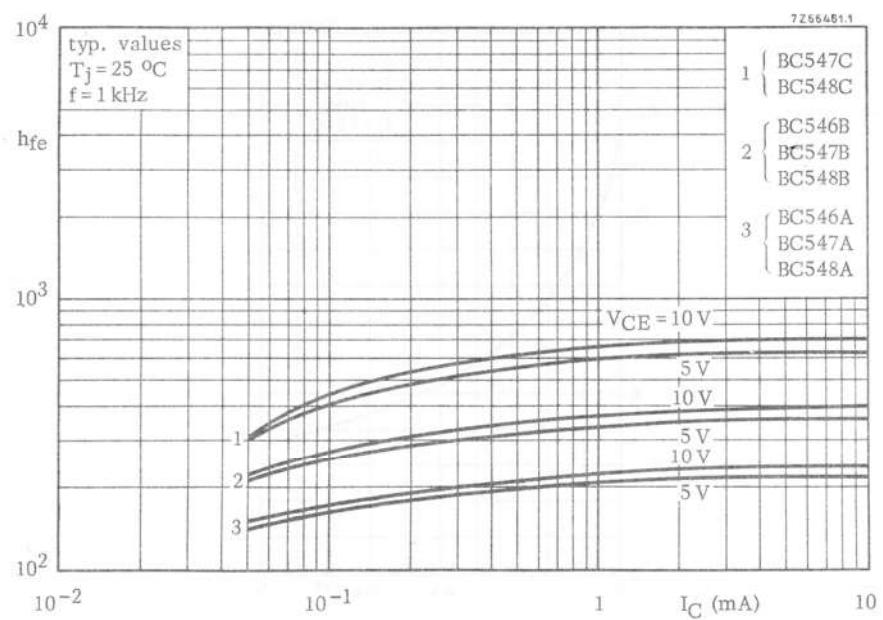
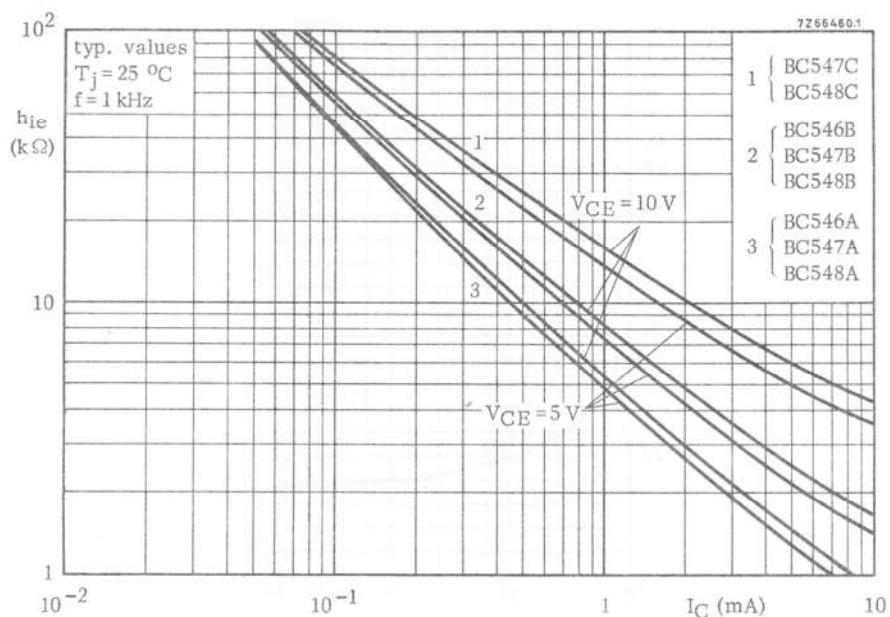
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