

## PNP medium power transistors

BC160; BC161

## FEATURES

- High current (max. 1 A)
- Low voltage (max. 60 V).

## APPLICATIONS

- General purpose applications.

## DESCRIPTION

PNP medium power transistor in a TO-39 metal package.  
NPN complements: BC140 and BC141.

## PINNING

| PIN | DESCRIPTION                  |
|-----|------------------------------|
| 1   | emitter                      |
| 2   | base                         |
| 3   | collector, connected to case |

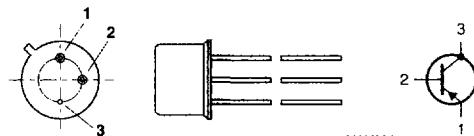


Fig.1 Simplified outline (TO-39) and symbol.

## QUICK REFERENCE DATA

| SYMBOL    | PARAMETER   | CONDITIONS  | MIN. | TYP. | MAX. | UNIT |
|-----------|---|---|------|------|------|------|
| $V_{CBO}$ | collector-base voltage<br>BC160<br>BC161                    | open emitter  | -    | -    | -40  | V    |
|           |   |   | -    | -    | -60  | V    |
| $V_{CES}$ | collector-emitter voltage<br>BC160<br>BC161                 | open base   | -    | -    | -40  | V    |
|           |   |   | -    | -    | -60  | V    |
| $I_{CM}$  | peak collector current                                      |   | -    | -    | -1.5 | A    |
| $P_{tot}$ | total power dissipation                                     | $T_{case} \leq 45^\circ\text{C}$                                    | -    | -    | 3.7  | W    |
| $h_{FE}$  | DC current gain<br>BC160-10; BC161-10<br>BC160-16; BC161-16 | $I_C = -100 \text{ mA}; V_{CE} = -1 \text{ V}$                      | 63   | 100  | 160  |      |
|           |   |   | 100  | 160  | 250  |      |
| $f_T$     | transition frequency  | $I_C = -50 \text{ mA}; V_{CE} = -10 \text{ V}; f = 100 \text{ MHz}$ | 50   | -    | -    | MHz  |

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**LIMITING VALUES**

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

| SYMBOL    | PARAMETER                                   | CONDITIONS                       | MIN.   | MAX.       | UNIT             |
|-----------|---|----------------------------------|--------|------------|------------------|
| $V_{CBO}$ | collector-base voltage<br>BC160<br>BC161    | open emitter                     | –<br>– | -40<br>-60 | V                |
| $V_{CEO}$ | collector-emitter voltage<br>BC160<br>BC161 | open base                        | –<br>– | -40<br>-60 | V                |
| $V_{EBO}$ | emitter-base voltage                        | open collector                   | –      | -5         | V                |
| $I_C$     | collector current (DC)                      |                                  | –      | -1         | A                |
| $I_{CM}$  | peak collector current                      |                                  | –      | -1.5       | A                |
| $I_{BM}$  | peak base current                           |                                  | –      | -200       | mA               |
| $P_{tot}$ | total power dissipation                     | $T_{case} \leq 45^\circ\text{C}$ | –      | 3.7        | W                |
| $T_{stg}$ | storage temperature                         |                                  | -65    | +150       | $^\circ\text{C}$ |
| $T_j$     | junction temperature                        |                                  | –      | 175        | $^\circ\text{C}$ |
| $T_{amb}$ | operating ambient temperature               |                                  | -65    | +150       | $^\circ\text{C}$ |

**THERMAL CHARACTERISTICS**

| SYMBOL        | PARAMETER                                   | CONDITIONS  | VALUE | UNIT |
|---------------|---|-------------|-------|------|
| $R_{th\ j-a}$ | thermal resistance from junction to ambient | in free air | 200   | K/W  |
| $R_{th\ j-c}$ | thermal resistance from junction to case    |             | 35    | K/W  |

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**CHARACTERISTICS** $T_{amb} = 25^\circ\text{C}$  unless otherwise specified.

| <b>SYMBOL</b> | <b>PARAMETER</b>                      | <b>CONDITIONS</b>   | <b>MIN.</b> | <b>TYP.</b> | <b>MAX.</b> | <b>UNIT</b>   |
|---------------|---------------------------------------|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| $I_{CBO}$     | collector cut-off current             | $I_E = 0; V_{CB} = -40 \text{ V}$                                   | -           | -10         | -100        | nA            |
|               |                                       | $I_E = 0; V_{CB} = -40 \text{ V}; T_j = 150^\circ\text{C}$          | -           | -10         | -100        | $\mu\text{A}$ |
| $I_{EBO}$     | emitter cut-off current               | $I_C = 0; V_{EB} = -5 \text{ V}$                                    | -           | -           | -100        | nA            |
| $h_{FE}$      | DC current gain<br>BC160-10; BC161-10 | $I_C = -100 \mu\text{A}; V_{CE} = -1 \text{ V}$                     | -           | 80          | -           |               |
|               | BC160-16; BC161-16                    |   | -           | 120         | -           |               |
| $h_{FE}$      | DC current gain<br>BC160-10; BC161-10 | $I_C = -100 \text{ mA}; V_{CE} = -1 \text{ V}$                      | 63          | 100         | 160         |               |
|               | BC160-16; BC161-16                    |   | 100         | 160         | 250         |               |
| $h_{FE}$      | DC current gain<br>BC160-10; BC161-10 | $I_C = -1 \text{ A}; V_{CE} = -1 \text{ V}$                         | -           | 20          | -           |               |
|               | BC160-16; BC161-16                    |   | -           | 30          | -           |               |
| $V_{CEsat}$   | collector-emitter saturation voltage  | $I_C = -1 \text{ A}; I_B = -100 \text{ mA}$                         | -           | -0.6        | -1          | V             |
| $V_{BE}$      | base-emitter voltage                  | $I_C = -1 \text{ A}; V_{CE} = -1 \text{ V}$                         | -           | -1          | -1.7        | V             |
| $C_c$         | collector capacitance                 | $I_E = i_e = 0; V_{CB} = -10 \text{ V}; f = 1 \text{ MHz}$          | -           | -           | 30          | pF            |
| $C_e$         | emitter capacitance                   | $I_C = i_c = 0; V_{EB} = -0.5 \text{ V}; f = 1 \text{ MHz}$         | -           | -           | 180         | pF            |
| $f_T$         | transition frequency                  | $I_C = -50 \text{ mA}; V_{CE} = -10 \text{ V}; f = 100 \text{ MHz}$ | 50          | -           | -           | MHz           |

**Switching times (between 10% and 90% levels)**

|           |               |   |   |   |     |    |
|-----------|---------------|---|---|---|-----|----|
| $t_{on}$  | turn-on time  | $I_{Con} = -100 \text{ mA}; I_{BOn} = -5 \text{ mA};$ | - | - | 500 | ns |
| $t_{off}$ | turn-off time | $I_{Boff} = 5 \text{ mA}$                             | - | - | 650 | ns |