

Active Bias Controller

Characteristics

- Supplies stable bias current even at low battery voltage and extreme ambient temperature variatior
- Low voltage drop of 0.7V

Application notes

- Stabilizing bias current of NPN transistors and FET's from less than 0.2mA up to more than 200mA
- Ideal supplement for Sieget and other transistors
- also usable as current source up to 5mA
- Pb-free (RoHS compliant) package¹⁾
- Qualified according AEC Q101



Туре	Marking	Pin Configuration			Package	
BCR400W	W4s	1=GND/ E _{NPN}	2=Contr/ B _{NPN}	3V _S	4=Rext/ C _{NPN}	SOT343

(E_{NPN}, B_{NPN}, C_{NPN} are electrodes of a stabilized NPN transistor)

Maximum Ratings

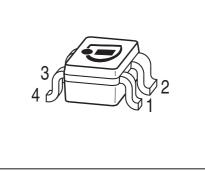
Parameter	Symbol	Value	Unit
Source voltage	V _S	18	V
Control current	I _{Contr.}	10	mA
Control voltage	V _{Contr.}	16	V
Reverse voltage between all terminals	V _R	0.5	
Total power dissipation, $T_{\rm S}$ = 117 °C	P _{tot}	330	mW
Junction temperature	Tj	150	°C
Storage temperature	T _{stg}	-65 150	

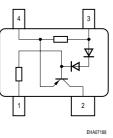
Thermal Resistance

	Junction - soldering point ²⁾	R _{thJS}	≤ 100	K/W
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¹Pb-containing package may be available upon special request

²For calculation of R_{thJA} please refer to Application Note Thermal Resistance





BCR400W



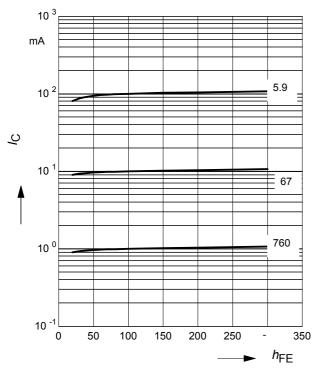
Parameter	Symbol	Values			Unit
		min.	typ.	max.	
DC Characteristics					
Additional current consumption	I ₀	-	20	40	μA
$V_{\rm S} = 3 \text{ V}$					
Lowest stabilizing current	I _{min}	-	0.1	-	mA
V _S = 3 V					
DC Characteristics with stabilized NPN-T	ransistors				
Lowest sufficient battery voltage	V _{Smin}	-	1.6	-	V
<i>I</i> _B (NPN) < 0.5mA					
Voltage drop (V _S - V _{CE})	V _{drop}	-	0.65	-	
<i>I</i> _C = 25 mA					
Change of I _C versus h _{FE}	$\Delta I_{\rm C}/I_{\rm C}$	-	0.08	-	$\Delta h_{\rm FE}$ /
h _{FE} = 50					h _{FE}
Change of $I_{\rm C}$ versus $V_{\rm S}$	$\Delta I_{\rm C}/I_{\rm C}$	-	0.15	-	$\Delta V_{\rm S}/V_{\rm S}$
V _S = 3 V					
Change of $I_{\rm C}$ versus $T_{\rm A}$	$\Delta I_{\rm C}/I_{\rm C}$	-	0.2	-	%/K

Electrical Characteristics at T_A =25°C, unless otherwise specified



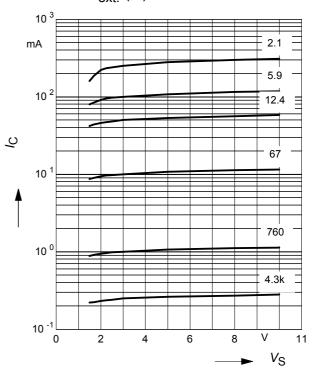
Collector current $I_{\rm C} = f(h_{\rm FE})$

 $I_{\rm C}$ and $h_{\rm FE}$ refer to stabilized NPN Transistor Parameter $R_{\rm ext.}$ (Ω)

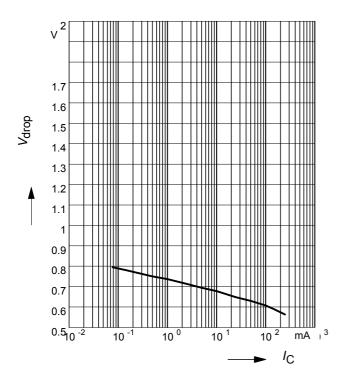


Collector Current $I_{\rm C} = f(V_{\rm S})$

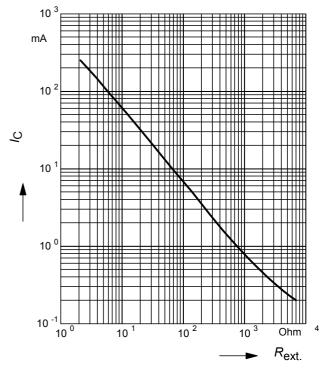
of stabilized NPN Transistor Parameter $R_{ext.}$ (Ω)



Voltage drop $V_{drop} = f(I_C)$



Collector current $I_{\rm C} = f(R_{\rm ext.})$ of stabilized NPN Transistor



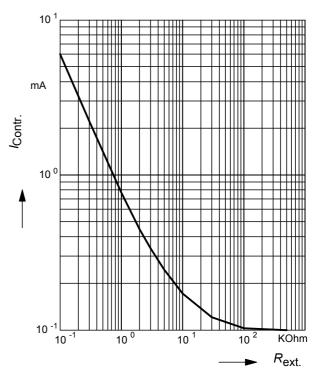


Collector current $T_A = f(I_C)$

of stabilized NPN Transistor Parameter: $R_{ext}(\Omega)$ 10 ³ mΑ 2.2 6 10² 26 2 65 10¹ 290 760 10⁰ 4.3k 10 °C -40 -20 0 20 40 60 80 100 120 160 T_A

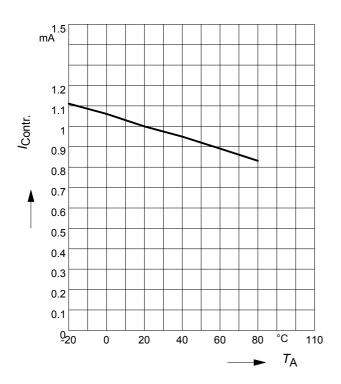
Control current $I = f(R_{ext.})$

in current source application

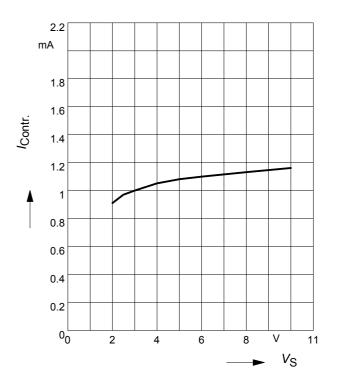


Control current $I = f(T_A)$

in current source application

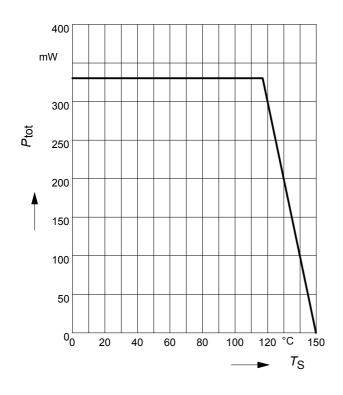


Control current $I = f(V_S)$ in current source application



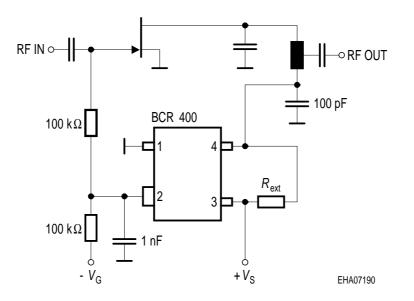


Total power dissipation $P_{tot} = f(T_S)$



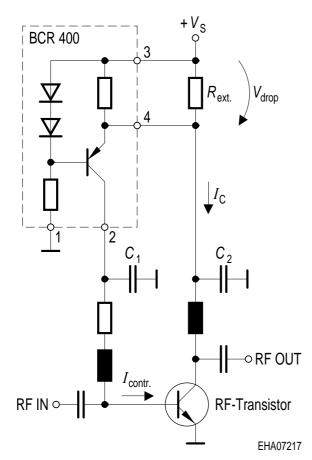
Note that up to T_S =115°C it is not possible to exceed P_{tot} respecting the maximum ratings of V_S and $I_{Contr.}$ The collector or drain current (respectively) of the stabilized RF transistor does not affect BCR 400 directly, as it provides just the base current.

Typical application for GaAs FET with active bias controller





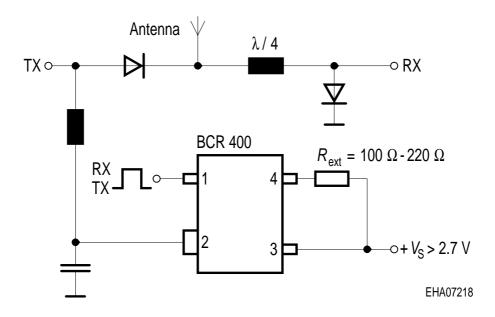
RF transistor controlled by BCR400



Be aware that BCR400 stabilized bias current of transistors in an active control loop

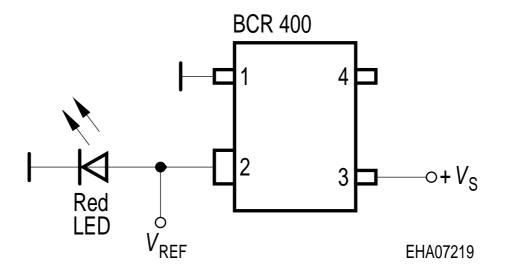
In order to avoid loop ascillation (hunting), time constants must be chosen adequately, i.e. **C1 >= 10 x C2**

RX/TX antenna switch, compatible to control logic and working at wide battery voltage range

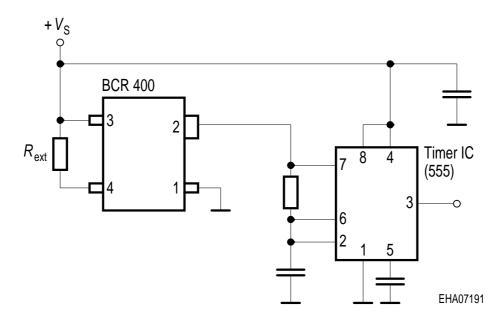




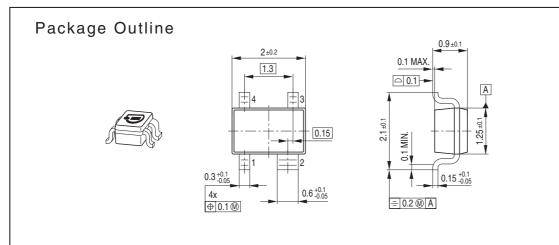
Low voltage reference



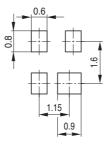
Precision timer with BCR400 providing constant charge current



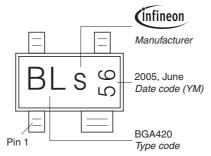




Foot Print

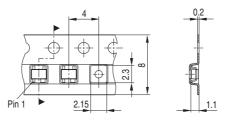


Marking Layout (Example)



Standard Packing

Reel ø180 mm = 3.000 Pieces/Reel Reel ø330 mm = 10.000 Pieces/Reel





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