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**TO-39 CASE**



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**DESCRIPTION:**

The CENTRAL SEMICONDUCTOR 2N4237, 2N4238, and 2N4239 are silicon NPN transistors mounted in a hermetically sealed metal case, designed for power amplifier, power driver, and switching power supply applications.

**MARKING: FULL PART NUMBER**

**MAXIMUM RATINGS:** ( $T_C=25^{\circ}\text{C}$  unless otherwise noted)

|  | SYMBOL         | 2N4237 | 2N4238      | 2N4239 | UNITS                |
|--|----------------|--------|-------------|--------|----------------------|
| Collector-Base Voltage                     | $V_{CBO}$      | 50     | 80          | 100    | V                    |
| Collector-Emitter Voltage                  | $V_{CEO}$      | 40     | 60          | 80     | V                    |
| Emitter-Base Voltage                       | $V_{EBO}$      |        | 6.0         |        | V                    |
| Continuous Collector Current               | $I_C$          |        | 3.0         |        | A                    |
| Continuous Base Current                    | $I_B$          |        | 0.5         |        | A                    |
| Power Dissipation                          | $P_D$          |        | 6.0         |        | W                    |
| Operating and Storage Junction Temperature | $T_J, T_{stg}$ |        | -65 to +200 |        | $^{\circ}\text{C}$   |
| Thermal Resistance                         | $\theta_{JC}$  |        | 29.2        |        | $^{\circ}\text{C/W}$ |

**ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS:** ( $T_C=25^{\circ}\text{C}$  unless otherwise noted)

| SYMBOL               | TEST CONDITIONS   | MIN | MAX | UNITS         |
|----------------------|---|-----|-----|---------------|
| $I_{CBO}$            | $V_{CB}=\text{Rated } V_{CBO}$  |     | 100 | $\mu\text{A}$ |
| $I_{CEV}$            | $V_{CE}=45\text{V}, V_{EB}=1.5\text{V}$ (2N4237)                          |     | 100 | $\mu\text{A}$ |
| $I_{CEV}$            | $V_{CE}=75\text{V}, V_{EB}=1.5\text{V}$ (2N4238)                          |     | 100 | $\mu\text{A}$ |
| $I_{CEV}$            | $V_{CE}=90\text{V}, V_{EB}=1.5\text{V}$ (2N4239)                          |     | 100 | $\mu\text{A}$ |
| $I_{CEV}$            | $V_{CE}=30\text{V}, V_{EB}=1.5\text{V}, T_C=150^{\circ}\text{C}$ (2N4237) |     | 1.0 | mA            |
| $I_{CEV}$            | $V_{CE}=50\text{V}, V_{EB}=1.5\text{V}, T_C=150^{\circ}\text{C}$ (2N4238) |     | 1.0 | mA            |
| $I_{CEV}$            | $V_{CE}=70\text{V}, V_{EB}=1.5\text{V}, T_C=150^{\circ}\text{C}$ (2N4239) |     | 1.0 | mA            |
| $I_{CEO}$            | $V_{CE}=\text{Rated } V_{CEO}$  |     | 700 | $\mu\text{A}$ |
| $I_{EBO}$            | $V_{EB}=6.0\text{V}$  |     | 500 | $\mu\text{A}$ |
| $BV_{CEO}$           | $I_C=100\text{mA}$ (2N4237)   | 40  |     | V             |
| $BV_{CEO}$           | $I_C=100\text{mA}$ (2N4238)   | 60  |     | V             |
| $BV_{CEO}$           | $I_C=100\text{mA}$ (2N4239)   | 80  |     | V             |
| $V_{CE(\text{SAT})}$ | $I_C=500\text{mA}, I_B=50\text{mA}$                                       |     | 0.3 | V             |
| $V_{CE(\text{SAT})}$ | $I_C=1.0\text{A}, I_B=0.1\text{A}$  |     | 0.6 | V             |
| $V_{BE(\text{SAT})}$ | $I_C=1.0\text{A}, I_B=0.1\text{A}$  |     | 1.5 | V             |
| $V_{BE(\text{ON})}$  | $V_{CE}=1.0\text{V}, I_C=250\text{mA}$                                    |     | 1.0 | V             |

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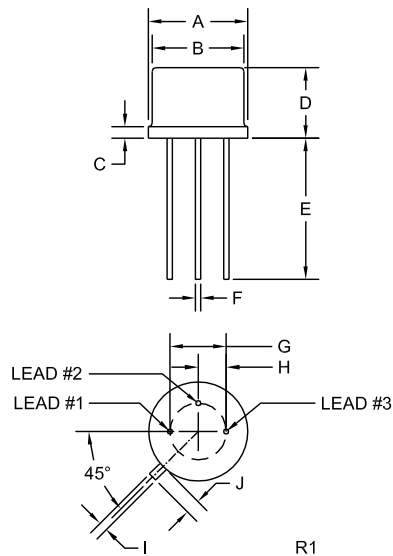
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**ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS - Continued:** ( $T_C=25^{\circ}\text{C}$  unless otherwise noted)

| SYMBOL   | TEST CONDITIONS  | MIN | MAX | UNITS |
|----------|--|-----|-----|-------|
| $h_{FE}$ | $V_{CE}=1.0\text{V}$ , $I_C=50\text{mA}$                     | 30  |     |       |
| $h_{FE}$ | $V_{CE}=1.0\text{V}$ , $I_C=250\text{mA}$                    | 30  | 250 |       |
| $h_{FE}$ | $V_{CE}=1.0\text{V}$ , $I_C=500\text{mA}$                    | 30  |     |       |
| $h_{FE}$ | $V_{CE}=1.0\text{V}$ , $I_C=1.0\text{A}$                     | 15  |     |       |
| $h_{fe}$ | $V_{CE}=10\text{V}$ , $I_C=100\text{mA}$ , $f=1.0\text{kHz}$ | 30  |     |       |
| $f_T$    | $V_{CE}=10\text{V}$ , $I_C=100\text{mA}$ , $f=1.0\text{kHz}$ | 2.0 |     | MHz   |
| $C_{ob}$ | $V_{CB}=10\text{V}$ , $I_E=0$ , $f=100\text{kHz}$            |     | 100 | pF    |

**TO-39 CASE - MECHANICAL OUTLINE**



| DIMENSIONS |        |       |             |      |
|------------|--------|-------|-------------|------|
| SYMBOL     | INCHES |       | MILLIMETERS |      |
|            | MIN    | MAX   | MIN         | MAX  |
| A (DIA)    | 0.335  | 0.370 | 8.51        | 9.40 |
| B (DIA)    | 0.315  | 0.335 | 8.00        | 8.51 |
| C          | -      | 0.040 | -           | 1.02 |
| D          | 0.240  | 0.260 | 6.10        | 6.60 |
| E          | 0.500  | -     | 12.70       | -    |
| F (DIA)    | 0.016  | 0.021 | 0.41        | 0.53 |
| G (DIA)    | 0.200  |       | 5.08        |      |
| H          | 0.100  |       | 2.54        |      |
| I          | 0.028  | 0.034 | 0.71        | 0.86 |
| J          | 0.029  | 0.045 | 0.74        | 1.14 |

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**LEAD CODE:**

- 1) Emitter
- 2) Base
- 3) Collector

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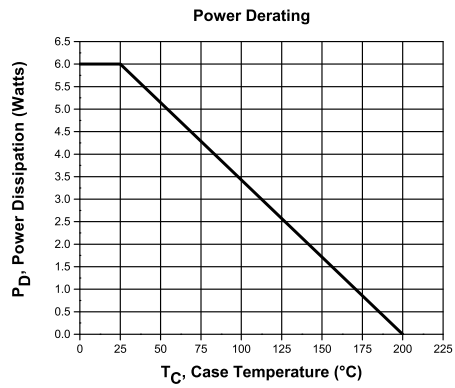
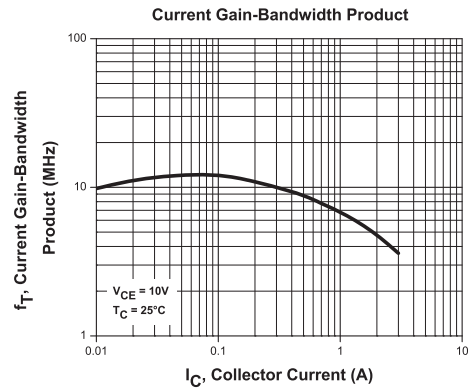
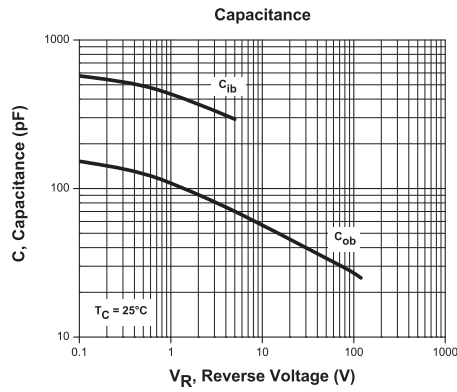
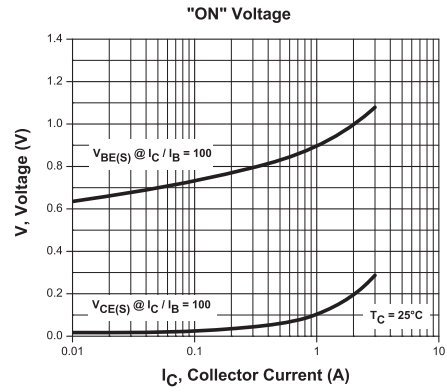
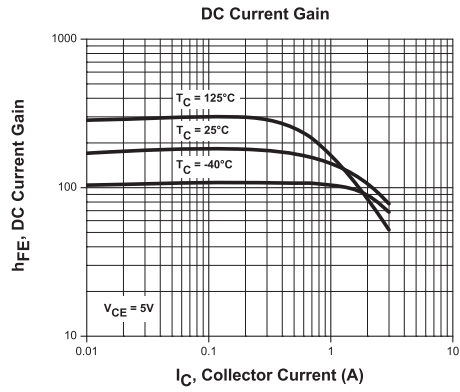
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### TYPICAL ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS



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### PRODUCT SUPPORT

Central's operations team provides the highest level of support to insure product is delivered on-time.

- Supply management (Customer portals)
- Inventory bonding
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- Custom product packing

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- Special wafer diffusions
- PbSn plating options
- Package details
- Application notes
- Application and design sample kits
- Custom product and package development

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1. If requesting Tin/Lead plated devices, add the suffix " TIN/LEAD" to the part number when ordering (example: 2N2222A TIN/LEAD).
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## Product End of Life Notification

|                    |          |
|--------------------|----------|
| PDN ID:            | PDN01239 |
| Notification Date: | 7/29/22  |
| Last Buy Date:     | 1/29/23  |
| Last Shipment Date | 7/29/23  |

Summary: The following NPN high current transistors in the TO-39 package are discontinued now classified as of End of Life (EOL).

Although Central Semiconductor Corp. makes every effort to continue to produce devices that have been proclaimed EOL (End of Life) by other manufacturers, it is an accepted industry practice to discontinue certain devices when customer demand falls below a minimum level of sustainability. Accordingly, the following product(s) have been transitioned to End of Life status as part of Central's ongoing Product Portfolio Management. Any replacement products are noted below. The effective date for placing last purchase orders will be six (6) months from the date of this notice and twelve (12) months from the notice date for final shipments, and minimum order quantities may apply. The last purchase and shipment dates may be extended if inventory is available.

**\* All Plating types (PBFREE,TIN/LEAD) for each item listed are included in this notice.**

| Central Part Number | Suggested Replacement |
|---------------------|-----------------------|
| BFX34               | N/A                   |
| BSX62-10            | N/A                   |
| BSX63-10            | N/A                   |
| 2N3420              | N/A                   |
| 2N3421              | N/A                   |
| 2N3507              | N/A                   |
| 2N4237              | N/A                   |
| 2N4238              | N/A                   |
| 2N4239              | N/A                   |
| 2N4895              | N/A                   |
| 2N5784              | N/A                   |
| 2N5785              | N/A                   |

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