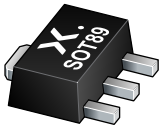


# BCX56 series

## 80 V, 1 A NPN medium power transistors

Rev. 13 — 25 October 2023 Product data sheet

## 1. General description

NPN medium power transistors in a SOT89 (SC-62) flat lead Surface-Mounted Device (SMD) plastic package

## 2. Features and benefits

- High collector current capability $I_C$ and $I_{CM}$
- Three current gain selections
- High power dissipation capability

## 3. Applications

- Linear voltage regulators
- MOSFET drivers
- Low-side switches
- Battery-driven devices
- Power management
- Amplifiers

## 4. Quick reference data

**Table 1. Quick reference data**

*$T_{amb}$ = 25 °C unless otherwise specified.*

| Symbol | Parameter | Conditions | | Min | Typ | Max | Unit |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $V_{CEO}$ | collector-emitter voltage | open base | | - | - | 80 | V |
| $I_C$ | collector current | | | - | - | 1 | A |
| $I_{CM}$ | peak collector current | single pulse; $t_p \leq 1$ ms | | - | - | 2 | A |
| $h_{FE}$ | DC current gain | | | | | | |
| | BCX56 | $V_{CE}$ = 2 V; $I_C$ = 150 mA | [1] | 63 | - | 250 | |
| | BCX56-10 | | [1] | 63 | - | 160 | |
| | BCX56-16 | | [1] | 100 | - | 250 | |

[1] pulsed; $t_p \leq 300$ µs; $\delta \leq 0.02$

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## 5. Pinning information

**Table 2. Pinning**

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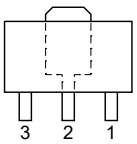
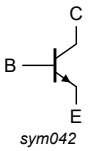
| 1 | E | emitter |  |  |
| 2 | C | collector | | |
| 3 | B | base | | |

## 6. Ordering information

**Table 3. Ordering information**

| Type number | Package | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | Name | Description | Version |
| BCX56 | SC-62 | plastic, surface-mounted package; 3 leads;<br>1.5 mm pitch; 4.5 mm x 2.5 mm x 1.5 mm body | SOT89 |
| BCX56-10 | | | |
| BCX56-16 | | | |

## 7. Marking

**Table 4. Marking**

| Type number | Marking code |
|---|---|
| BCX56 | BH |
| BCX56-10 | BK |
| BCX56-16 | BL |

# 8. Limiting values

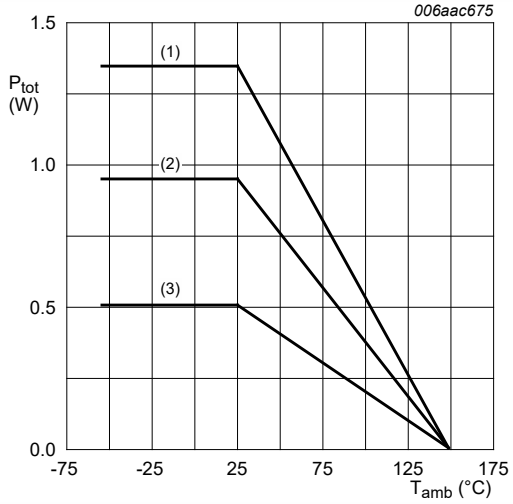
**Table 5. Limiting values**

*In accordance with the Absolute Maximum Rating System (IEC 60134).*

*$T_{amb}$ = 25 °C unless otherwise specified.*

| Symbol | Parameter | Conditions | | Min | Max | Unit |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $V_{CBO}$ | collector-base voltage | open emitter | | - | 100 | V |
| $V_{CEO}$ | collector-emitter voltage | open base | | - | 80 | V |
| $V_{EBO}$ | emitter-base voltage | open collector | | - | 5 | V |
| $I_C$ | collector current | | | - | 1 | A |
| $I_{CM}$ | peak collector current | single pulse; $t_p \leq 1$ ms | | - | 2 | A |
| $I_B$ | base current | | | - | 0.3 | A |
| $I_{BM}$ | peak base current | single pulse; $t_p \leq 1$ ms | | - | 0.3 | A |
| $P_{tot}$ | total power dissipation | $T_{amb} \leq 25$ °C | [1] | - | 0.50 | W |
| | | | [2] | - | 0.95 | W |
| | | | [3] | - | 1.35 | W |
| $T_j$ | junction temperature | | | - | 150 | °C |
| $T_{amb}$ | ambient temperature | | | -55 | 150 | °C |
| $T_{stg}$ | storage temperature | | | -65 | 150 | °C |

[1] Device mounted on an FR4 Printed-Circuit-Board (PCB); single-sided copper; tin-plated and standard footprint.
[2] Device mounted on an FR4 Printed-Circuit-Board (PCB); single-sided copper; tin-plated; mounting pad for collector 1 $cm^2$.
[3] Device mounted on an FR4 Printed-Circuit-Board (PCB); single-sided copper; tin-plated; mounting pad for collector 6 $cm^2$.




(1) FR4 PCB, mounting pad for collector 6 $cm^2$
(2) FR4 PCB, mounting pad for collector 1 $cm^2$
(3) FR4 PCB, standard footprint

**Fig. 1. Power derating curves SOT89**

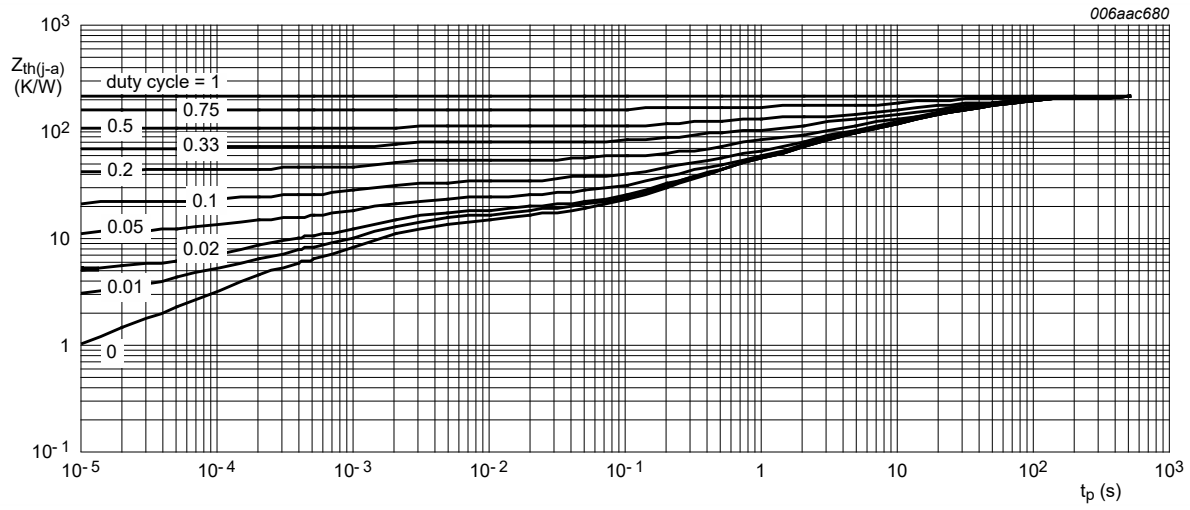
# 9. Thermal characteristics

**Table 6. Thermal characteristics**

*$T_{amb}$ = 25 °C unless otherwise specified.*

| Symbol | Parameter | Conditions | | Min | Typ | Max | Unit |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $R_{th(j-a)}$ | thermal resistance from junction to ambient | in free air | [1] | - | - | 250 | K/W |
| | | | [2] | | | 132 | K/W |
| | | | [3] | | | 93 | K/W |
| $R_{(j-sp)}$ | thermal resistance from junction to solder point | | | - | - | 16 | 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 $cm^2$.
[3] Device mounted on an FR4 PCB; single-sided copper; tin-plated; mounting pad for collector 6 $cm^2$.




FR4 PCB; single-sided copper; tin-plated and standard footprint

**Fig. 2. Transient thermal impedance from junction to ambient as a function of pulse duration; typical values**

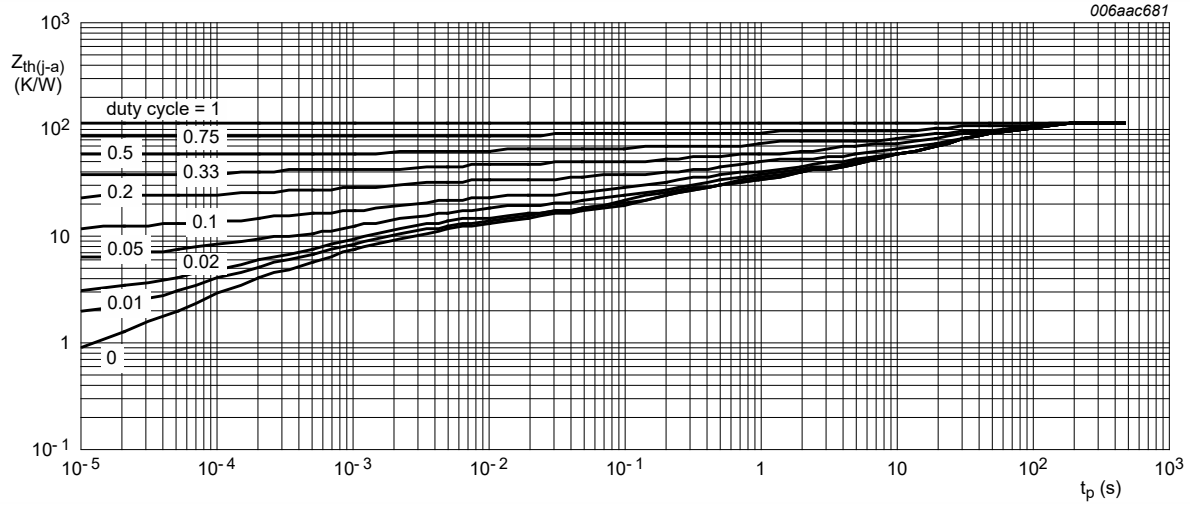



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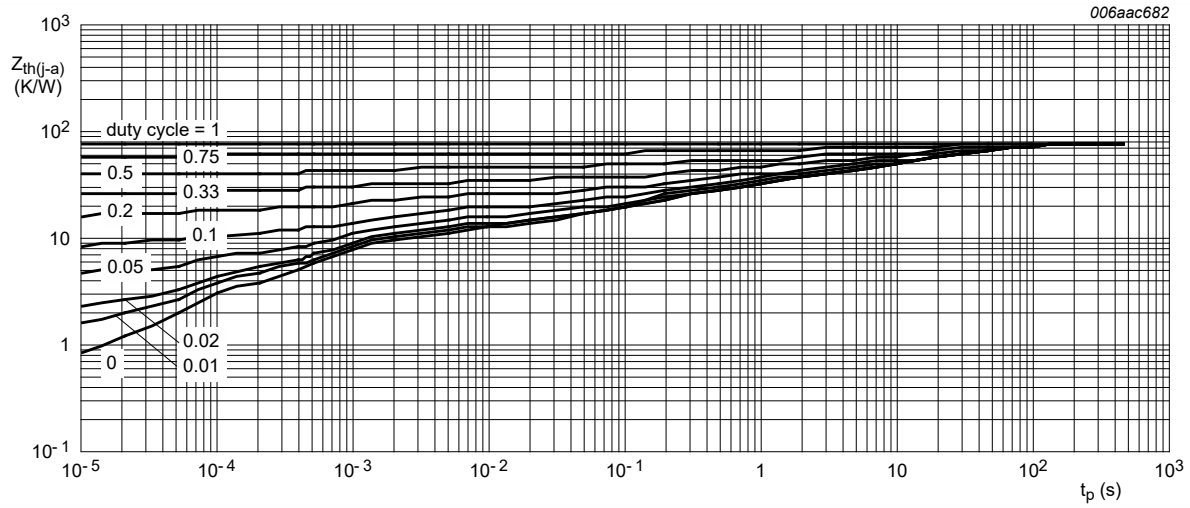
**Fig. 3. Transient thermal impedance from junction to ambient as a function of pulse duration; typical values**




FR4 PCB; single-sided copper; tin-plated; mounting pad for collector 6 $cm^2$

**Fig. 4. Transient thermal impedance from junction to ambient as a function of pulse duration; typical values**

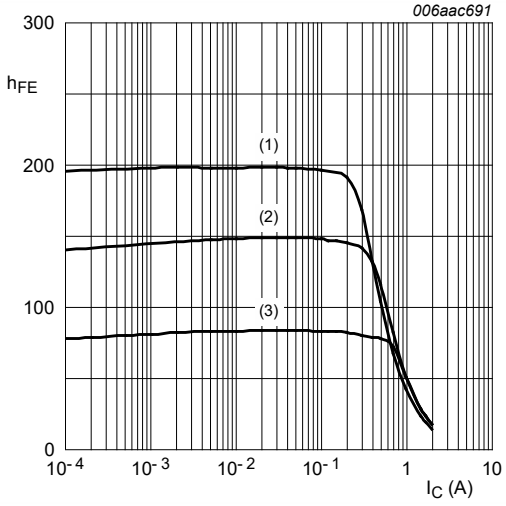
# 10. Characteristics

**Table 7. Characteristics**

*$T_{amb}$ = 25 °C unless otherwise specified.*

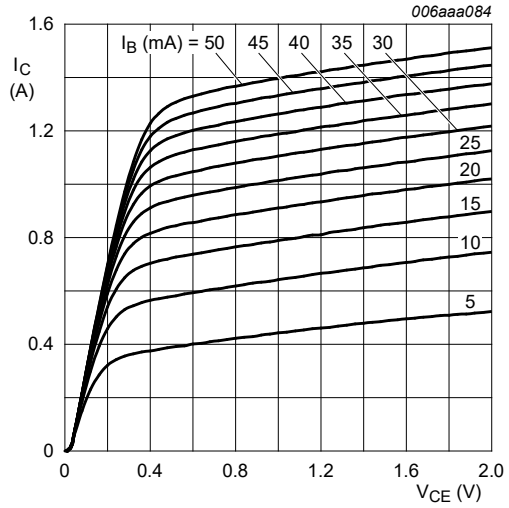
| Symbol | Parameter | Conditions | | Min | Typ | Max | Unit |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $V_{(BR)CBO}$ | collector-base breakdown voltage | $I_C$ = 100 µA; $I_E$ = 0 A | | 100 | - | - | V |
| $V_{(BR)CEO}$ | collector-emitter breakdown voltage | $I_C$ = 2 mA; $I_B$ = 0 A | | 80 | - | - | V |
| $V_{(BR)EBO}$ | emitter-base breakdown voltage | $I_E$ = 100 µA; $I_C$ = 0 A | | 5 | - | - | V |
| $I_{CBO}$ | collector-base cut-off current | $V_{CB}$ = 30 V; $I_E$ = 0 A | | - | - | 100 | nA |
| | | $V_{CB}$ = 30 V; $I_E$ = 0 A; $T_j$ = 150 °C | | - | - | 10 | µA |
| $I_{EBO}$ | emitter-base cut-off current | $V_{EB}$ = 5 V; $I_C$ = 0 A | | - | - | 100 | nA |
| $h_{FE}$ | DC current gain | | | | | | |
| | BCX56 | $V_{CE}$ = 2 V; $I_C$ = 5 mA | [1] | 63 | - | - | |
| | | $V_{CE}$ = 2 V; $I_C$ = 150 mA | | 63 | - | 250 | |
| | | $V_{CE}$ = 2 V; $I_C$ = 500 mA | | 40 | - | - | |
| | BCX56-10 | $V_{CE}$ = 2 V; $I_C$ = 5 mA | [1] | 63 | - | - | |
| | | $V_{CE}$ = 2 V; $I_C$ = 150 mA | | 63 | - | 160 | |
| | | $V_{CE}$ = 2 V; $I_C$ = 500 mA | | 40 | - | - | |
| | BCX56-16 | $V_{CE}$ = 2 V; $I_C$ = 5 mA | [1] | 63 | - | - | |
| | | $V_{CE}$ = 2 V; $I_C$ = 150 mA | | 100 | - | 250 | |
| | | $V_{CE}$ = 2 V; $I_C$ = 500 mA | | 40 | - | - | |
| $V_{CEsat}$ | collector-emitter saturation voltage | $I_C$ = 500 mA; $I_B$ = 50 mA | [1] | - | - | 0.5 | V |
| $V_{BE}$ | base-emitter voltage | $V_{CE}$ = 2 V; $I_C$ = 500 mA | [1] | - | - | 1 | V |
| $C_c$ | collector capacitance | $V_{CB}$ = 10 V; $I_E$ = $i_e$ = 0 A; f = 1 MHz | | - | 6 | - | pF |
| $f_T$ | transition frequency | $V_{CE}$ = 5 V; $I_C$ = 50 mA; f = 100 MHz | | 100 | 180 | - | MHz |

[1] pulsed; $t_p \leq 300$ µs; $\delta \leq 0.02$



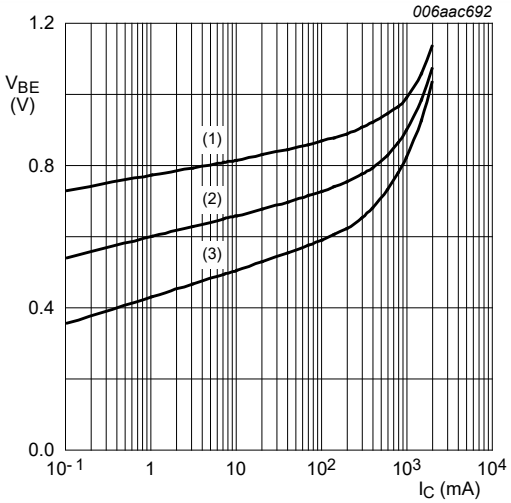

$V_{CE}$ = 2 V
(1) $T_{amb}$ = 100 °C
(2) $T_{amb}$ = 25 °C
(3) $T_{amb}$ = -55 °C

**Fig. 5. DC current gain as a function of collector current; typical values**




$T_{amb}$ = 25 °C

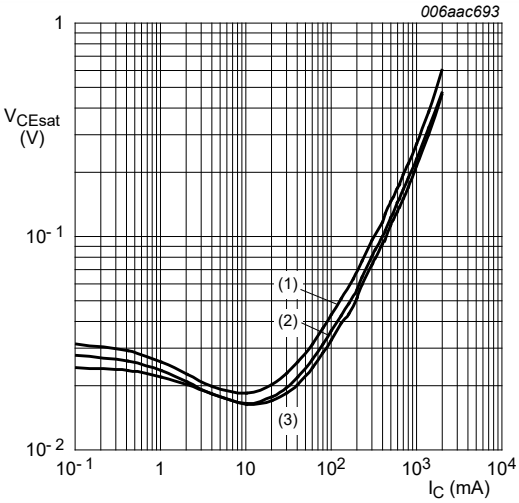
**Fig. 6. Collector current as a function of collector-emitter voltage; typical values**




$V_{CE}$ = 2 V
(1) $T_{amb}$ = -55 °C
(2) $T_{amb}$ = 25 °C
(3) $T_{amb}$ = 100 °C

**Fig. 7. Base-emitter voltage as a function of collector current; typical values**

**Fig. 8. Collector-emitter saturation voltage as a function of collector current; typical values**




$I_C/I_B$ = 10
(1) $T_{amb}$ = 100 °C
(2) $T_{amb}$ = 25 °C
(3) $T_{amb}$ = -55 °C

**Fig. 9.**

## 11. Package outline

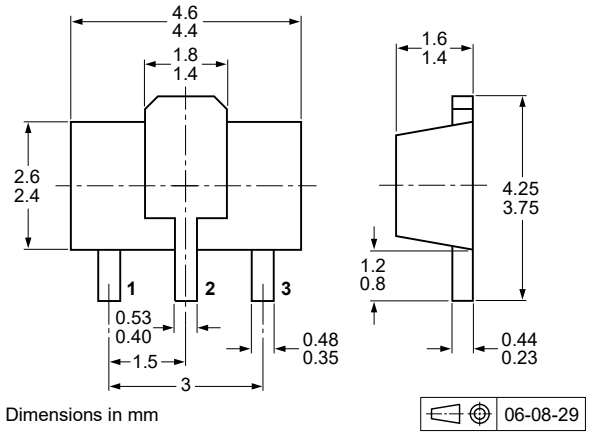



**Fig. 10. Package outline SOT89 (SC-62)**

## 12. Soldering

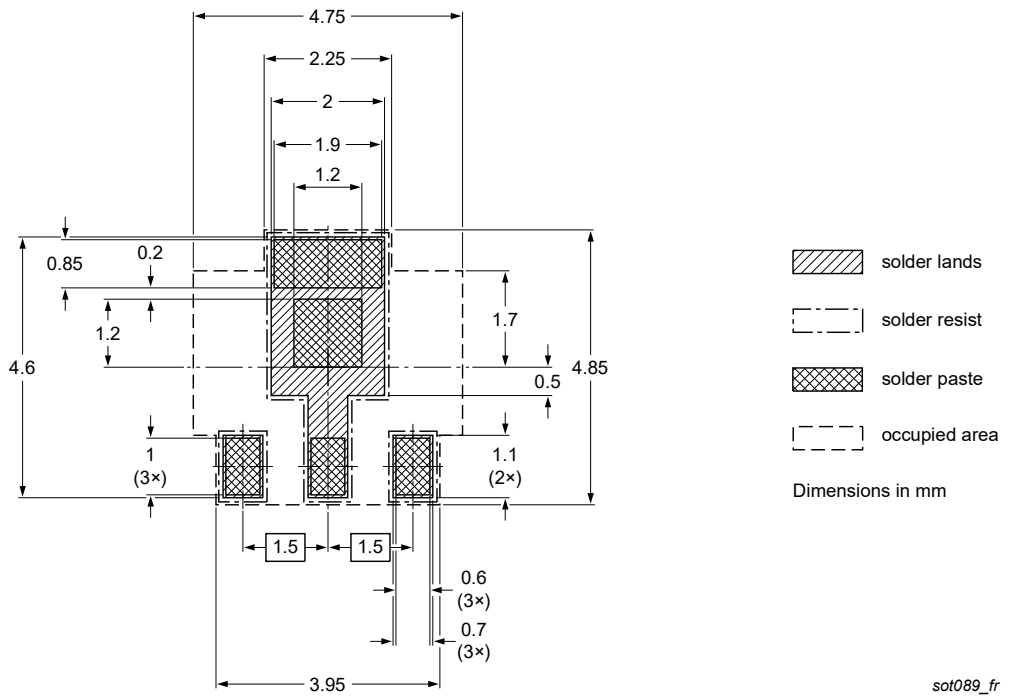



**Fig. 11. Reflow soldering footprint for SOT89 (SC-62)**

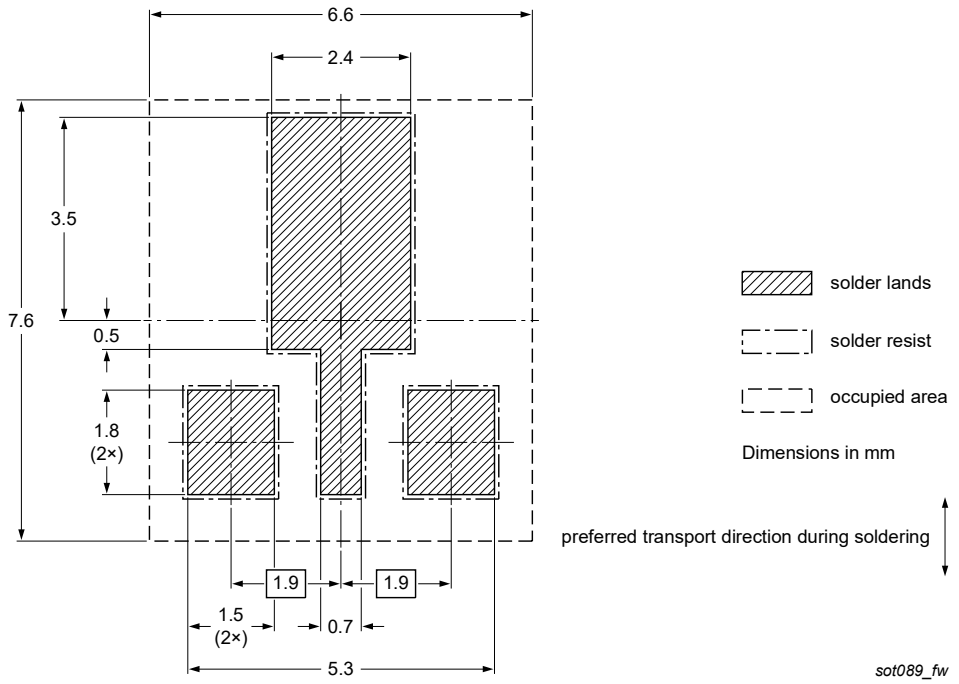



**Fig. 12. Wave soldering footprint for SOT89 (SC-62)**

# 13. Revision history

**Table 8. Revision history**

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