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## NTE256 Silicon NPN Transistor Darlington <sup>w</sup>/Damper Diode TO-3P Type Package

**Features:**

- Very High DC Current Gain
- Monolithic Darlington Transistor with Integrated Antiparallel Collector–Emitter Diode
- Robust Device Performance and Reliable Operation

**Applications:**

- High–Power Fast Switching Applications

**Absolute Maximum Ratings:** ( $T_A = +25^\circ\text{C}$  unless otherwise specified)

Collector–Base Voltage, $V_{CBO}$ .....	500V
Collector–Emitter Voltage, $V_{CEO}$ .....	400V
Emitter–Base Voltage, $V_{EBO}$ .....	8V
Collector Current, $I_C$	
Continuous .....	20A
Peak .....	30A
Continuous Base Current, $I_B$ .....	2.5A
Collector Power Dissipation, $P_C$ .....	125W
Operating Junction Temperature, $T_J$ .....	$+150^\circ\text{C}$
Storage Temperature Range, $T_{stg}$ .....	$-65^\circ$ to $+175^\circ\text{C}$
Thermal Resistance, Junction–to–Case, $R_{thJC}$ .....	$1.0^\circ\text{C/W}$

**Electrical Characteristics:** ( $T_C = +25^\circ\text{C}$  unless otherwise specified)

Parameter	Symbol	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit	
Collector–Emitter Sustaining Voltage	$V_{CEO(sus)}$	$I_C = 250\text{mA}, I_B = 0$	400	–	–	V	
Collector–Emitter Saturation Voltage	$V_{CE(sat)}$	$I_C = 10\text{A}, I_B = 400\text{mA}$	–	–	1.9	V	
		$I_C = 20\text{A}, I_B = 2\text{A}$	–	–	3.0	V	
Base–Emitter Saturation Voltage	$V_{BE(sat)}$	$I_C = 10\text{A}, I_B = 400\text{mA}$	–	–	2.5	V	
Collector Cutoff Current	$I_{CER}$	$V_{CB} = 400\text{V}, I_E = 0, R_{BE} = 50\Omega,$ $T_J = +100^\circ\text{C}$	–	–	5	mA	
			$V_{CE} = 450\text{V},$ $I_B = 0, V_{BE} = 1.5\text{V}$	–	–	0.25	mA
				$T_J = +100^\circ\text{C}$	–	–	5.0
Emitter Cutoff Current	$I_{EBO}$	$V_{EB} = 2\text{V}, I_C = 0$	–	–	175	mA	
DC Current Gain	$h_{FE}$	$I_C = 5\text{A}, V_{CE} = 5\text{V}$	300	–	1800		

