



BB173

VHF variable capacitance diode

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Product data sheet

1. Product profile

1.1 General description

The BB173 is a variable capacitance diode, fabricated in planar technology, and encapsulated in the SOD523 (SC-79) ultra small SMD plastic package.

1.2 Features and benefits

- Excellent linearity
- Ultra small SMD plastic package
- $C_{d(28V)} = 2.6 \text{ pF}$; $C_{d(1V)}$ to $C_{d(28V)}$ ratio = 15
- Very low series resistance

1.3 Applications

- Voltage Controlled Oscillators (VCO)

2. Pinning information

Table 1. Pinning

Pin	Description	Simplified outline	Symbol
1	cathode		 sym008
2	anode		

[1] The marking bar indicates the cathode.

3. Ordering information

Table 2. Ordering information

Type number	Package		
	Name	Description	Version
BB173	SC-79	plastic surface-mounted package; 2 leads	SOD523



4. Marking

Table 3. Marking

Type number	Marking code
BB173	CE

5. Limiting values

Table 4. Limiting values

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

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Max	Unit
V_R	reverse voltage		-	32	V
		peak value in series with a 10 k Ω resistor	-	35	V
I_F	forward current		-	20	mA
T_{stg}	storage temperature		-55	+150	°C
T_j	junction temperature		-55	+125	°C

6. Characteristics

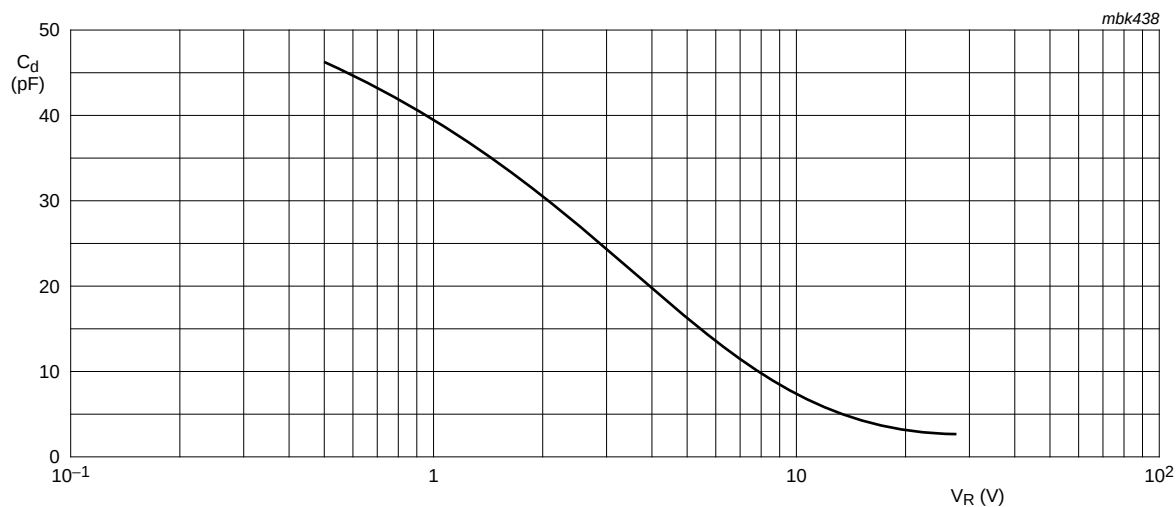
Table 5. Characteristics

$T_j = 25\text{ °C}$ unless otherwise specified.

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
I_R	reverse current	$V_R = 30\text{ V}$	[1] -	-	10	nA
		$V_R = 30\text{ V}; T_j = 85\text{ °C}$	[1] -	-	200	nA
r_s	diode series resistance	$f = 100\text{ MHz}; C_d = 30\text{ pF}$	-	0.65	0.8	Ω
C_d	diode capacitance	$f = 1\text{ MHz}$	[2]			
		$V_R = 1\text{ V}$	34.65	-	42.35	pF
		$V_R = 28\text{ V}$	2.361	2.6	2.754	pF
$C_{d(1V)}/C_{d(2V)}$	diode capacitance ratio (1 V to 2 V)	$f = 1\text{ MHz}$	-	1.3	-	
$C_{d(1V)}/C_{d(28V)}$	diode capacitance ratio (1 V to 28 V)	$f = 1\text{ MHz}$	13.5	15	-	
$C_{d(25V)}/C_{d(28V)}$	diode capacitance ratio (25 V to 28 V)	$f = 1\text{ MHz}$	-	1.08	-	

[1] See [Figure 2](#).

[2] See [Figure 1](#) and [Figure 3](#).



$f = 1 \text{ MHz}$; $T_j = 25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$.

Fig 1. Diode capacitance as a function of reverse voltage; typical values.

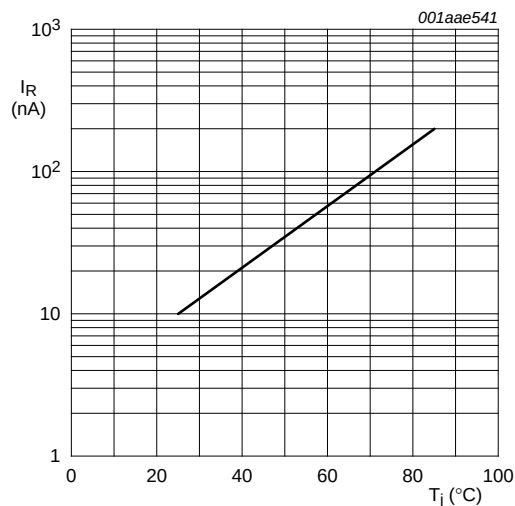
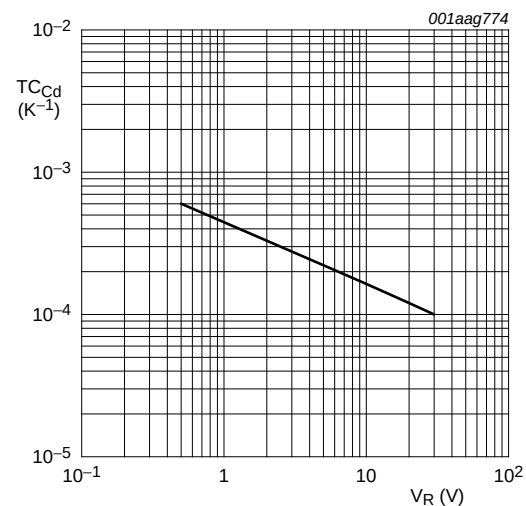


Fig 2. Reverse current as a function of junction temperature; maximum values.



$T_j = 0 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ to $85 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$.

Fig 3. Diode capacitance temperature coefficient as a function of reverse voltage; typical values.

7. Package outline

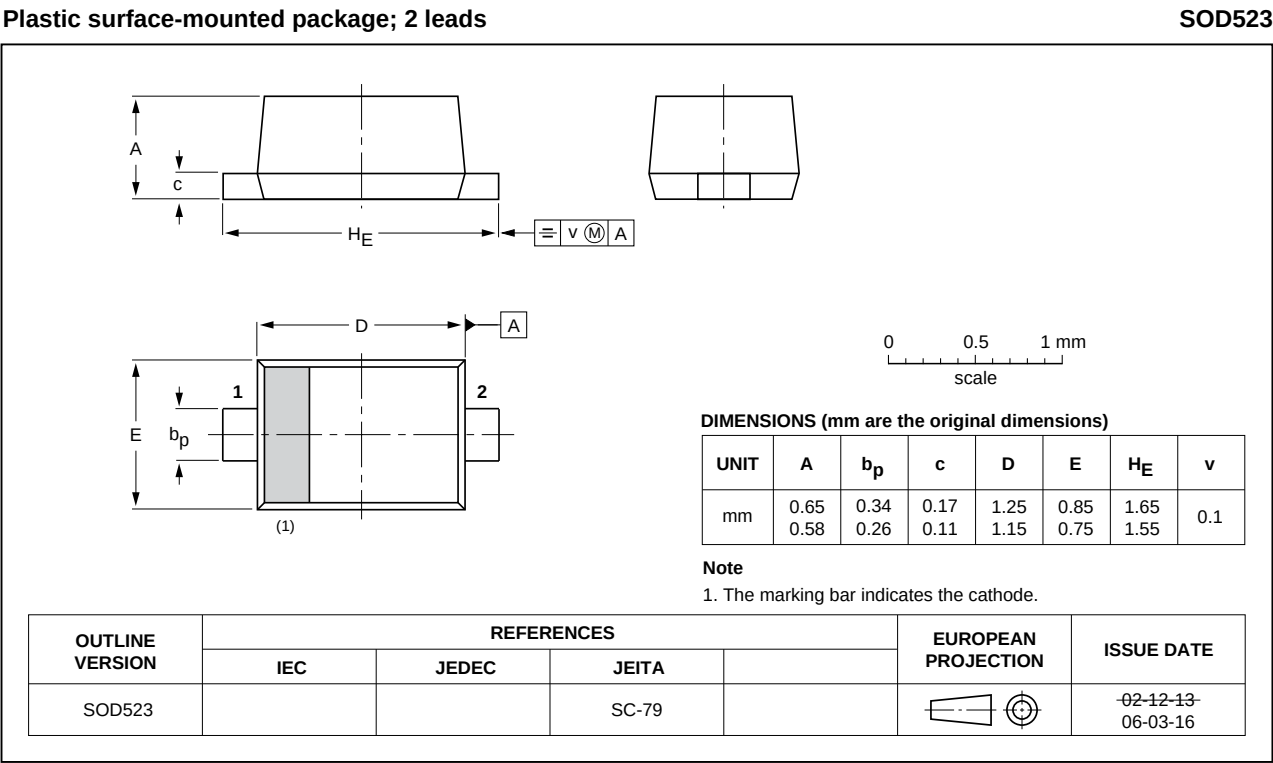


Fig 4. Package outline SOD523 (SC-79)

8. Abbreviations

Table 6. Abbreviations

Acronym	Description
SMD	Surface Mounted Device
VHF	Very High Frequency

9. Revision history

Table 7. Revision history

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10. Legal information

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