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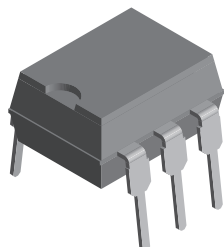
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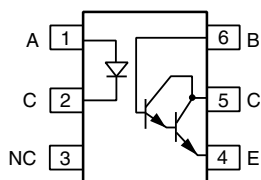
**MCA231**

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## Optocoupler, Photodarlington Output, High Gain, with Base Connection



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### FEATURES

- Isolation test voltage, 5300 V<sub>RMS</sub>
- Coupling capacitance, 0.5 pF
- Fast rise time, 10 μs
- Fast fall time, 35 μs
- Compliant to RoHS Directive 2002/95/EC and in accordance to WEEE 2002/96/EC



**RoHS**  
COMPLIANT

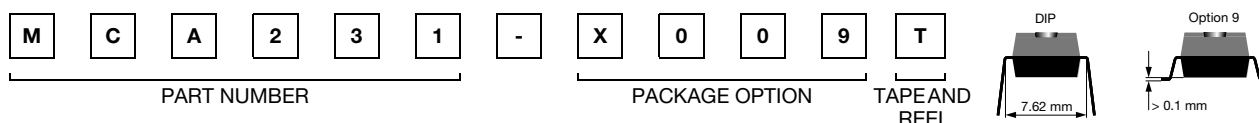
### AGENCY APPROVALS

- UL1577, file no. E52744 system code H, double protection
- CSA 93751
- BSI IEC 60950; IEC 60065

### DESCRIPTION

The MCA231 is a industry standard optocoupler, consisting of a gallium arsenide infrared LED and a silicon photodarlington. These optocouplers are constructed with a high voltage insulation packaging process which offers 7.5 kV withstand test capability.

### ORDERING INFORMATION



<b>AGENCY CERTIFIED/PACKAGE</b>	<b>CTR (%)</b>
	<b>10 mA</b>
<b>UL, BSI, VDE</b>	<b>&gt; 200</b>
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SMD-6, option 9	MCA231-X009T <sup>(1)</sup>

### Note

- For additional information on the available options refer to option information.
- <sup>(1)</sup> Also available in tubes, do not put T on the end.

### ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS (T<sub>amb</sub> = 25 °C, unless otherwise specified)

PARAMETER	TEST CONDITION	PART	SYMBOL	VALUE	UNIT
<b>INPUT</b>					
Reverse voltage			V <sub>R</sub>	6	V
Forward continuous current			I <sub>F</sub>	60	mA
Power dissipation			P <sub>diss</sub>	135	mW
Derate linearly from 25 °C				1.8	mW/°C
<b>OUTPUT</b>					
Collector emitter breakdown voltage		MCA231	BV <sub>CEO</sub>	30	V
Emitter collector breakdown voltage			BV <sub>ECCO</sub>	7	V
Collector base breakdown voltage		MCA231	BV <sub>CBO</sub>	30	V
Power dissipation			P <sub>diss</sub>	210	mW
Derate linearly from 25 °C				2.8	mW/°C

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ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS (T <sub>amb</sub> = 25 °C, unless otherwise specified)					
PARAMETER	TEST CONDITION	PART	SYMBOL	VALUE	UNIT
<b>COUPLER</b>					
Total package dissipation (LED plus detector)			P <sub>tot</sub>	260	mW
Derate linearly from 25 °C				3.5	mW/°C
Storage temperature			T <sub>stg</sub>	- 55 to + 150	°C
Operating temperature			T <sub>amb</sub>	- 55 to + 100	°C
Lead soldering time at 260 °C				10	s
Isolation test voltage			V <sub>ISO</sub>	5300	V <sub>RMS</sub>
Isolation resistance	V <sub>IO</sub> = 500 V, T <sub>amb</sub> = 25 °C		R <sub>IO</sub>	10 <sup>12</sup>	Ω
	V <sub>IO</sub> = 500 V, T <sub>amb</sub> = 100 °C		R <sub>IO</sub>	10 <sup>11</sup>	Ω

**Note**

- Stresses in excess of the absolute maximum ratings can cause permanent damage to the device. Functional operation of the device is not implied at these or any other conditions in excess of those given in the operational sections of this document. Exposure to absolute maximum ratings for extended periods of the time can adversely affect reliability.

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (T <sub>amb</sub> = 25 °C, unless otherwise specified)							
PARAMETER	TEST CONDITION	PART	SYMBOL	MIN.	TYP.	MAX.	UNIT
<b>INPUT</b>							
Forward voltage	I <sub>F</sub> = 50 mA		V <sub>F</sub>		1.1	1.5	V
Reverse current	V <sub>R</sub> = 3 V		I <sub>R</sub>			10	μA
Junction capacitance	V <sub>R</sub> = 3 V		C <sub>j</sub>		50		pF
<b>OUTPUT</b>							
Collector emitter breakdown voltage	I <sub>C</sub> = 100 μA, I <sub>F</sub> = 0 mA	MCA231	BV <sub>CEO</sub>	30			V
Emitter collector breakdown voltage	I <sub>E</sub> = 10 μA, I <sub>F</sub> = 0 mA		BV <sub>ECO</sub>	7			V
Collector base breakdown voltage	I <sub>C</sub> = 10 μA, I <sub>F</sub> = 0 mA	MCA231	BV <sub>CBO</sub>	30			V
Collector emitter leakage current			I <sub>CEO</sub>			100	nA
<b>COUPLER</b>							
Collector emitter saturation voltage	I <sub>C</sub> = 2 mA, I <sub>F</sub> = 16 mA		V <sub>CEsat</sub>			0.8	V
	I <sub>C</sub> = I <sub>F</sub> = 50 mA		V <sub>CEsat</sub>			1	V
	I <sub>C</sub> = 2 mA, I <sub>F</sub> = 1 mA		V <sub>CEsat</sub>			1	V
	I <sub>C</sub> = 10 mA, I <sub>F</sub> = 5 mA		V <sub>CEsat</sub>			1	V
	I <sub>C</sub> = 50 mA, I <sub>F</sub> = 10 mA		V <sub>CEsat</sub>			1.2	V
Capacitance (input to output)			C <sub>IO</sub>		0.5		pF

**Note**

- Minimum and maximum values are testing requirements. Typical values are characteristics of the device and are the result of engineering evaluation. Typical values are for information only and are not part of the testing requirements.

CURRENT TRANSFER RATIO (T <sub>amb</sub> = 25 °C, unless otherwise specified)						
PARAMETER	TEST CONDITION	SYMBOL	MIN.	TYP.	MAX.	UNIT
DC current transfer ratio	V <sub>CE</sub> = 5 V, I <sub>F</sub> = 10 mA	CTR <sub>DC</sub>	200			%

SWITCHING CHARACTERISTICS (T <sub>amb</sub> = 25 °C, unless otherwise specified)						
PARAMETER	TEST CONDITION	SYMBOL	MIN.	TYP.	MAX.	UNIT
Switching times	R <sub>L</sub> = 100 Ω, V <sub>CE</sub> = 10 V	t <sub>on</sub>		10		μs
		t <sub>off</sub>		30		μs



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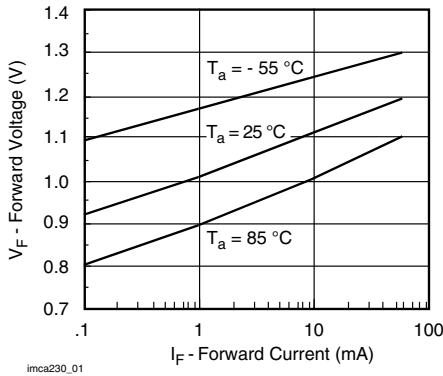


Fig. 1 - Forward Voltage vs. Forward Current

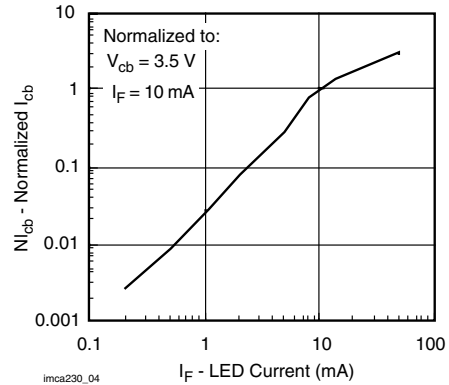


Fig. 4 - Normalized Collector Base Photocurrent vs. LED Current

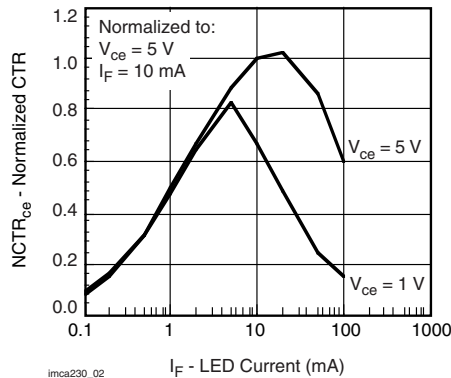


Fig. 2 - Normalized Non-Saturated and Saturated CTR vs. LED Current

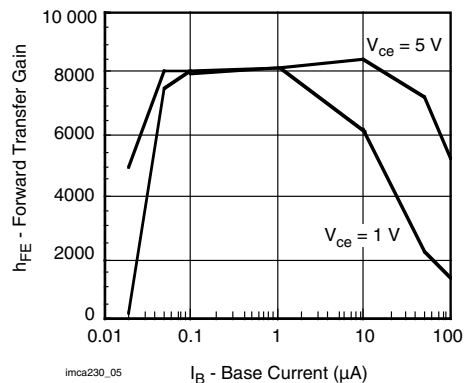


Fig. 5 - Non Saturated and Saturated  $h_{FE}$  vs. Base Current

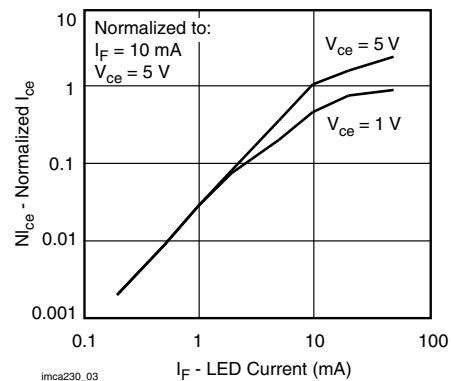


Fig. 3 - Normalized Non-Saturated and Saturated Collector Emitter Current vs. LED Current

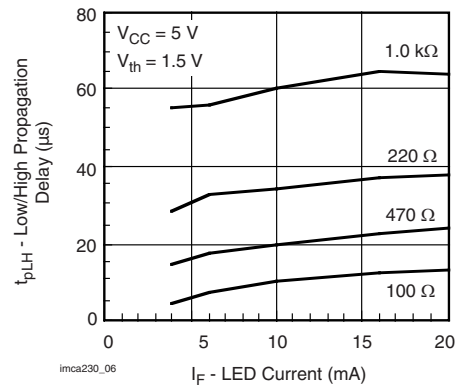


Fig. 6 - Low to High Propagation Delay vs. Collector Load Resistance and LED Current

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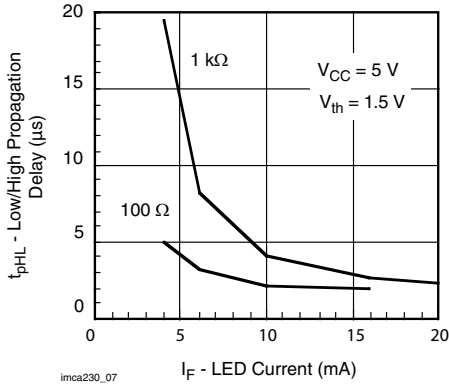


Fig. 7 - High to low Propagation Delay vs. Collector Load Resistance and LED Current

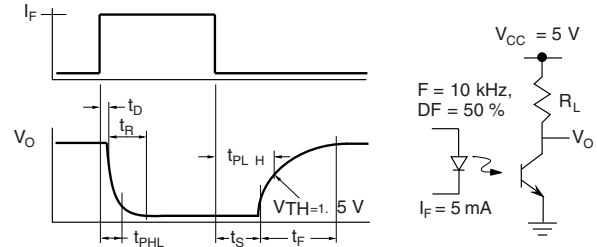
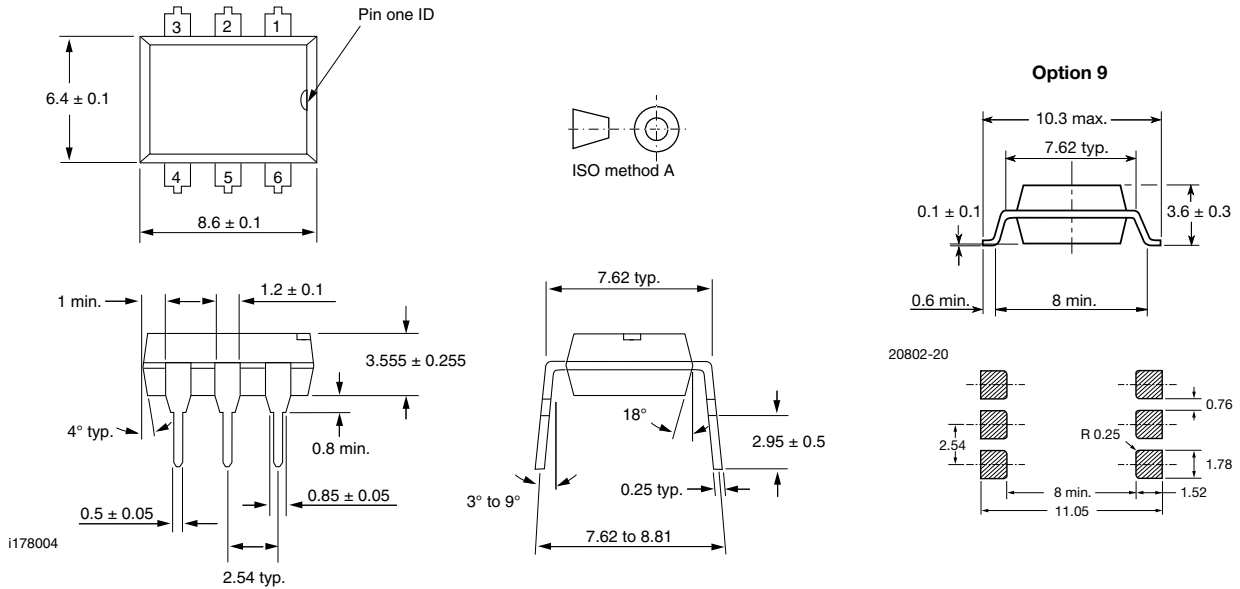
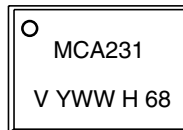


Fig. 8 - Switching Timing Waveform and Schematic

## PACKAGE DIMENSIONS in millimeters



## PACKAGE MARKING



### Note

- Tape and reel suffix (T) is not part of the package marking.



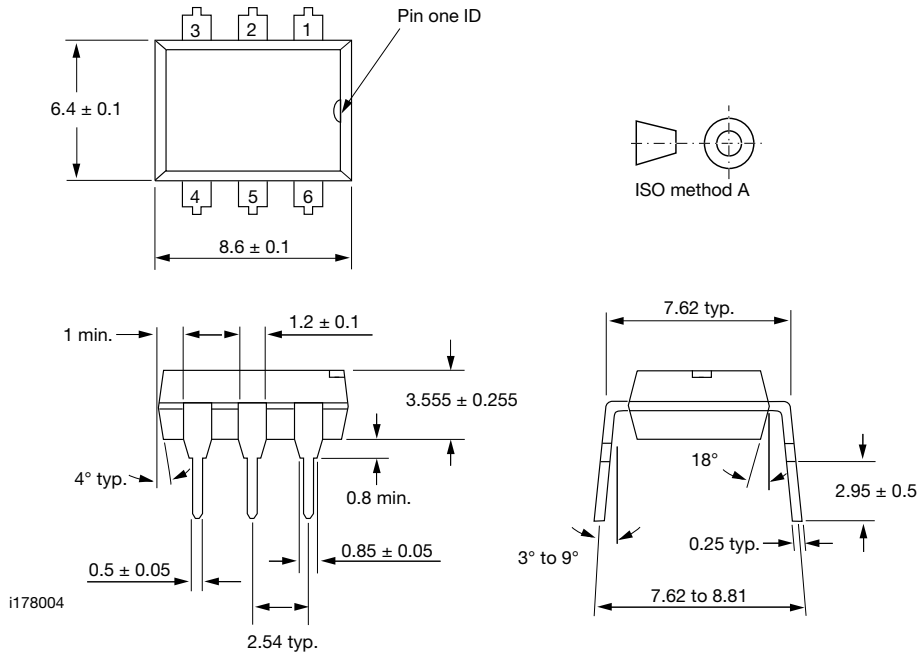
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**PACKAGE DIMENSIONS** in inches (millimeters)



**Note**

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