



PTC thermistors for overcurrent protection

SMDs, EIA sizes 0603 and 1210, 24 V, 42 V, 63 V
and 230 V

Series/Type:

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Applications

- Overcurrent protection
- Short circuit protection

Features

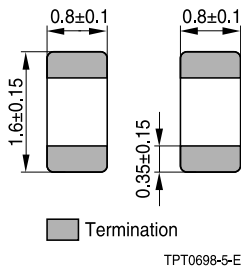
- Thermistor chip with lead-free tinned terminations
- Small size
- Short response times
- Suitable for reflow soldering only
- Suitable for automatic placement
- RoHS-compatible

Delivery mode

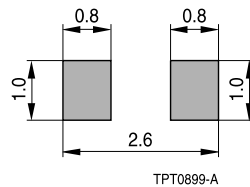
- Blister tape (case size 1210) or cardboard tape (case size 0603), 180-mm reel with 8-mm tape, taping to IEC 60286-3

Dimensional drawings in mm

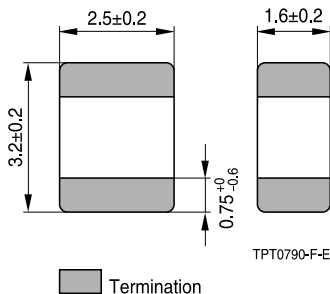
EIA case size 0603



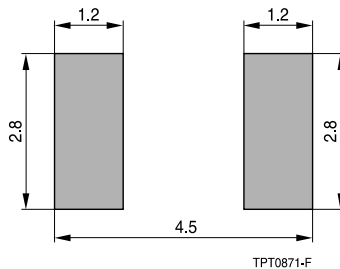
Solder pad



EIA case size 1210



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Recommended maximum dimensions (mm)

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General technical data

Switching cycles		N	100	
Tolerance of R_R	(except A907)	ΔR_R	± 25	%
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Operating temperature range	($V = 0$)	T_{op}	$-40/+125$	°C
Operating temperature range	($V = V_{max}$, except A907)	T_{op}	$-20/+85$	°C
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Electrical specifications and ordering codes

Type	$I_R^{1)}$ mA	$I_S^{1)}$ mA	I_{Smax} ($V = V_{max}$) A	R_R Ω	R_{min} Ω	EIA case size	Ordering code
$V_{max} = 30$ V DC or V AC, $V_R = 24$ V DC or V AC							
A606	90	180	0.5	27	17	1210	B59606A0110A062
A607	70	130	0.4	55	30	1210	B59607A0120A062
$V_{max} = 60$ V DC or V AC, $V_R = 42$ V DC or V AC							
A622	22	47	0.22	220	150	0603	B59622A0090A062
$V_{max} = 80$ V DC or V AC, $V_R = 63$ V DC or V AC							
A623	15	33	0.15	470	300	0603	B59623A0090A062
A707	50	90	0.3	125	75	1210	B59707A0120A062
$V_{max} = 265$ V DC or V AC, $V_R = 230$ V DC or V AC							
A807	15	40	0.2	400	200	1210	B59807A0090A062
$V_{max} = 400$ V DC or V AC, $V_R = 230$ V DC or V AC							
A907	12	22	0.15	1500	640	1210	B59907A0120A062

1) Measured on component soldered to standardized PCB

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Reliability data

Test	Standard	Test conditions	$ \Delta R_{25}/R_{25} $
Electrical endurance, cycling	IEC 60738-1	Room temperature, I_{Smax} ; V_{max} Number of cycles: 100	< 25%
Electrical endurance, constant	IEC 60738-1	Storage at $V_{max}/T_{op,max}$ (V_{max}) Test duration: 1000 h	< 25%
Damp heat	IEC 60738-1	Temperature of air: 40 °C Relative humidity of air: 93% Duration: 56 days Test according to IEC 60068-2-78	< 10%
Rapid change of temperature	IEC 60738-1	$T_1 = T_{op,min}$ (0 V), $T_2 = T_{op,max}$ (0 V) Number of cycles: 5 Test duration: 30 min Test according to IEC 60068-2-14, Test Na	< 10%
Vibration	IEC 60738-1	Frequency range: 10 to 55 Hz Displacement amplitude: 0.75 mm Test duration: 3 × 2 h Test according to IEC 60068-2-6, Test Fc	< 5%
Shock	IEC 60738-1	Acceleration: 390 m/s ² Pulse duration: 6 ms; 6 × 4000 pulses	< 5%
Climatic sequence	IEC 60738-1	Dry heat: $T = T_{op,max}$ (0 V) Test duration: 16 h Damp heat first cycle Cold: $T = T_{op,min}$ (0 V) Test duration: 2 h Damp heat 5 cycles Tests performed according to IEC 60068-2-30	< 10%
Bending test	EN 130000/4.35	Components reflow-soldered to test board Maximum bending: 2 mm	< 10%
Adhesive strength on PCB		A shear force of 5 N is applied perpendicular to the longitudinal axis of the component which is soldered on PCB.	No visible damage

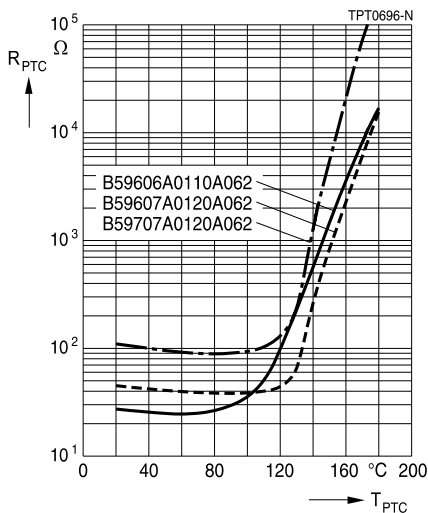
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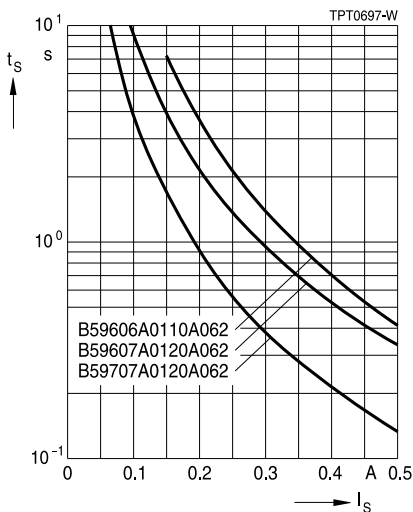
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Characteristics (typical) for A606, A607 and A707

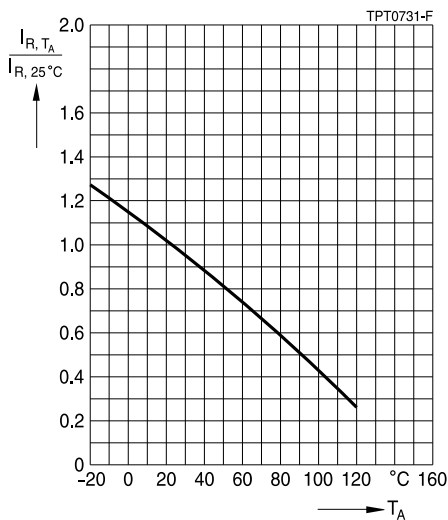
PTC resistance R_{PTC} versus
PTC temperature T_{PTC}
(measured at low signal voltage)



Switching time t_s versus switching current I_s
(measured at 25 °C in still air)



Rated current I_R versus ambient temperature T_A
(measured in still air)



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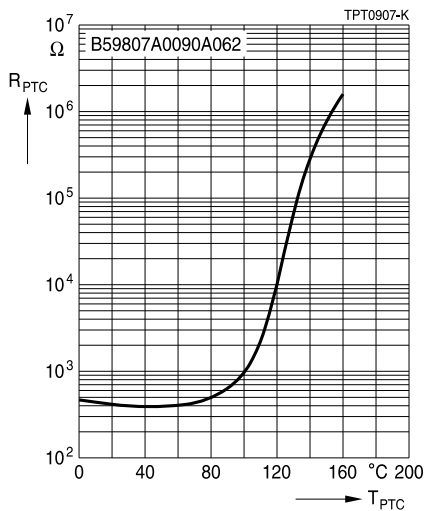
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Characteristics (typical) for A807

PTC resistance R_{PTC} versus

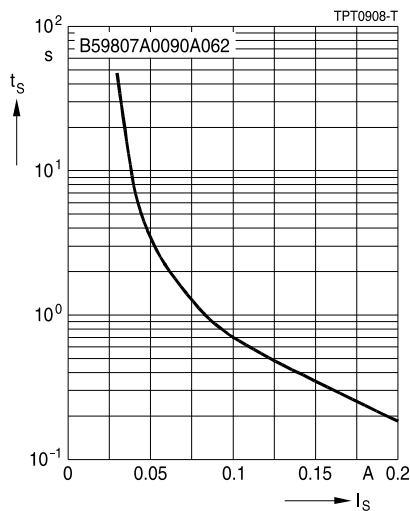
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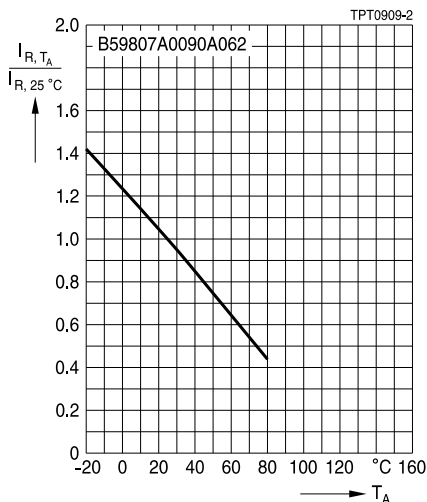
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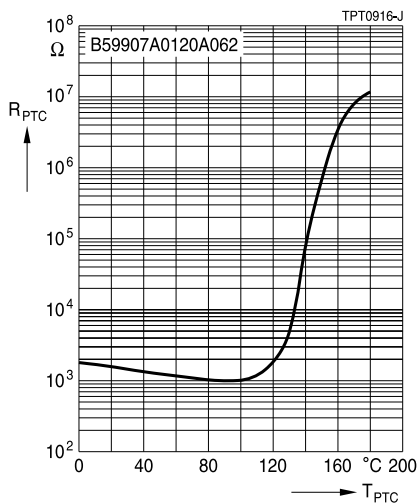
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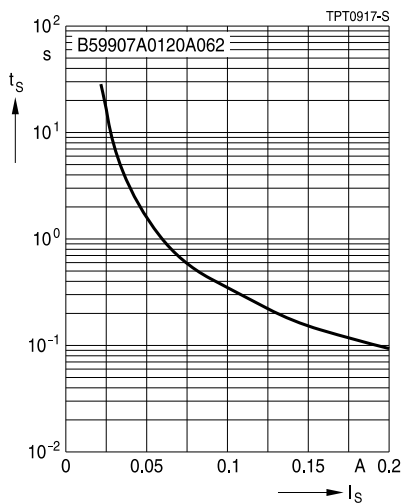
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PTC temperature T_{PTC}

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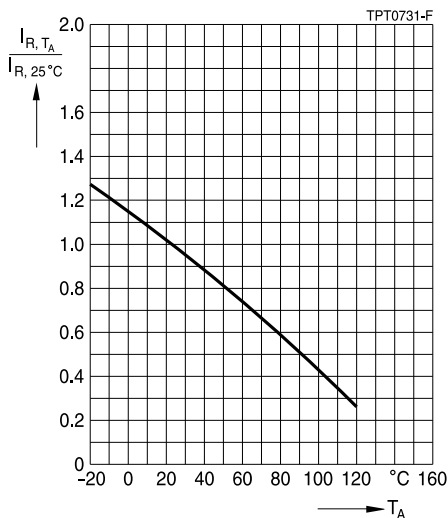


Switching time t_s versus switching current I_s
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Rated current I_R versus ambient temperature T_A

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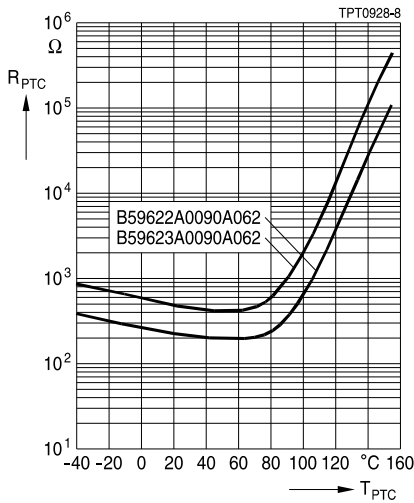
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Characteristics (typical) for A622 and A623

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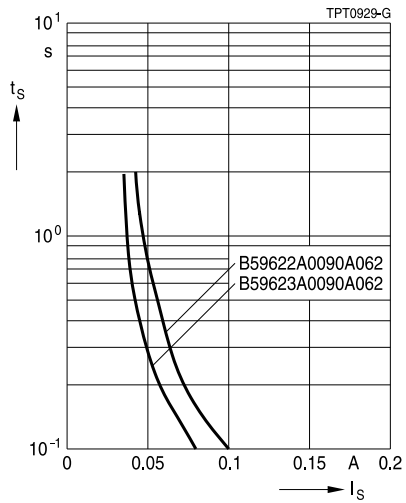
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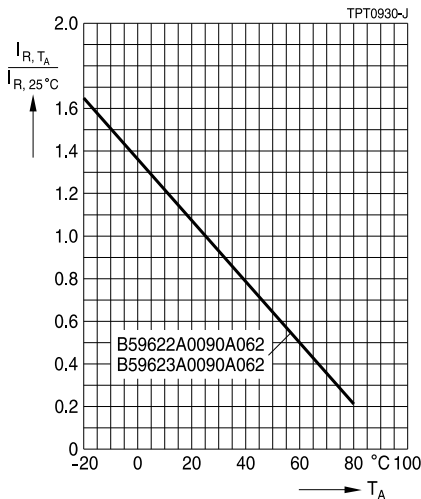
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Cautions and warnings

General

- EPCOS thermistors are designed for specific applications and should not be used for purposes not identified in our specifications, application notes and data books unless otherwise agreed with EPCOS during the design-in-phase.
- Ensure suitability of thermistor through reliability testing during the design-in phase. The thermistors should be evaluated taking into consideration worst-case conditions.

Storage

- Store thermistors only in original packaging. Do not open the package before storage.
- Storage conditions in original packaging: storage temperature $-25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C} \dots +45\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, relative humidity $\leq 75\%$ annual mean, maximum 95%, dew precipitation is inadmissible.
- Avoid contamination of thermistors surface during storage, handling and processing.
- Avoid storage of thermistor in harmful environment with effect on function on long-term operation (examples given under operation precautions).
- Use thermistor within the following period after delivery:
 - Through-hole devices (housed and leaded PTCs): 24 months
 - Motor protection sensors, glass-encapsulated sensors and probe assemblies: 24 months
 - Telecom pair and quattro protectors (TPP, TQP): 24 months
 - Leadless PTC thermistors for pressure contacting: 12 months
 - Leadless PTC thermistors for soldering: 6 months
 - SMDs in EIA sizes 3225 and 4032, and for PTCs with metal tags: 24 months
 - SMDs in EIA sizes 0402, 0603, 0805 and 1210: 12 months

Handling

- PTCs must not be dropped. Chip-offs must not be caused during handling of PTCs.
- Components must not be touched with bare hands. Gloves are recommended.
- Avoid contamination of thermistor surface during handling.

Soldering (where applicable)

- Use rosin-type flux or non-activated flux.
- Insufficient preheating may cause ceramic cracks.
- Rapid cooling by dipping in solvent is not recommended.
- Complete removal of flux is recommended.
- Standard PTC heaters are not suitable for soldering.

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Mounting

- Electrode must not be scratched before/during/after the mounting process.
- Contacts and housing used for assembly with thermistor have to be clean before mounting. Especially grease or oil must be removed.
- When PTC thermistors are encapsulated with sealing material, the precautions given in chapter "Mounting instructions", "Sealing and potting" must be observed.
- When the thermistor is mounted, there must not be any foreign body between the electrode of the thermistor and the clamping contact.
- The minimum force of the clamping contacts pressing against the PTC must be 10 N.
- During operation, the thermistor's surface temperature can be very high. Ensure that adjacent components are placed at a sufficient distance from the thermistor to allow for proper cooling at the thermistors.
- Ensure that adjacent materials are designed for operation at temperatures comparable to the surface temperature of thermistor. Be sure that surrounding parts and materials can withstand this temperature.
- Avoid contamination of thermistor surface during processing.

Operation

- Use thermistors only within the specified temperature operating range.
- Use thermistors only within the specified voltage and current ranges.
- Environmental conditions must not harm the thermistors. Use thermistors only in normal atmospheric conditions. Avoid use in deoxidizing gases (chlorine gas, hydrogen sulfide gas, ammonia gas, sulfuric acid gas etc), corrosive agents, humid or salty conditions. Contact with any liquids and solvents should be prevented.
- Be sure to provide an appropriate fail-safe function to prevent secondary product damage caused by abnormal function (e.g. use VDR for limitation of overvoltage condition).

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Symbols and terms

A	Area
C_{th}	Heat capacity
f	Frequency
I	Current
I_{max}	Maximum current
I_R	Rated current
I_{PTC}	PTC current
I_r	Residual current
$I_{r,oil}$	Residual current in oil (for level sensors)
$I_{r,air}$	Residual current in air (for level sensors)
I_{RMS}	Root-mean-square value of current
I_S	Switching current
I_{Smax}	Maximum switching current
LCT	Lower category temperature
N	Number (integer)
N_c	Operating cycles at V_{max} , charging of capacitor
N_f	Switching cycles at V_{max} , failure mode
P	Power
P_{25}	Maximum power at 25 °C
P_{el}	Electrical power
P_{diss}	Dissipation power
R_{min}	Minimum resistance
R_R	Rated resistance
ΔR_R	Tolerance of R_R
R_P	Parallel resistance
R_{PTC}	PTC resistance
R_{ref}	Reference resistance
R_S	Series resistance
R_{25}	Resistance at 25 °C
$R_{25,match}$	Resistance matching per reel/ packing unit at 25 °C
ΔR_{25}	Tolerance of R_{25}
T	Temperature
t	Time
T_A	Ambient temperature
t_a	Thermal threshold time
T_C	Ferroelectric Curie temperature

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t_E	Settling time (for level sensors)
T_R	Rated temperature
T_{sense}	Sensing temperature
T_{op}	Operating temperature
T_{PTC}	PTC temperature
t_R	Response time
T_{ref}	Reference temperature
T_{Rmin}	Temperature at minimum resistance
t_S	Switching time
T_{surf}	Surface temperature
UCT	Upper category temperature
V or V_{el}	Voltage (with subscript only for distinction from volume)
V_{RMS}	Root-mean-square value of voltage
V_{BD}	Breakdown voltage
V_{ins}	Insulation test voltage
$V_{link,max}$	Maximum link voltage
V_{max}	Maximum operating voltage
$V_{max,dyn}$	Maximum dynamic (short-time) operating voltage
V_{meas}	Measuring voltage
$V_{meas,max}$	Maximum measuring voltage
V_R	Rated voltage
V_{PTC}	Voltage drop across a PTC thermistor
α	Temperature coefficient
Δ	Tolerance, change
δ_{th}	Dissipation factor
τ_{th}	Thermal cooling time constant
λ	Failure rate
e	Lead spacing (in mm)

Abbreviations / Notes

SMD Surface-mount devices

* To be replaced by a number in ordering codes, type designations etc.

+ To be replaced by a letter

All dimensions are given in mm.

The commas used in numerical values denote decimal points.

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