

ENGINEERING DATA SHEET

SERIES F370

RAILWAY RELAY
2 PDT, 1 AMP / 72VDC



APPLICATION NOTES:

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APPLICABLE SOCKET:

[SF300CE40E](#)

Polarized, non latching, hermetically sealed relay

Contact arrangement **2 PDT**

Coil supply **Direct current**

Meets the requirements of **MIL-R-6106**
CEECC16101-018
NF F 62-002-2

PRINCIPLE TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Contact rating **72 Vdc / 1 Amp**

Weight **< 40 grams**

Dimensions of can without hardware **26mm x 25.7mm x 13.3mm max**

Balanced-force design.

Tin plated, hermetically sealed metal can.

Non-overlapping contact arrangement, see note 4 page 4.

CONTACT ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Nominal contact voltage (Vdc)	Contact rating in Amps		Level	Minimum operating cycles
	resistive load	inductive load (L/R=30ms)		
72 V	1	0.6	High level	1,000,000 cycles
$5 \leq U \leq 90 \text{ V}$	1 to 20mA	-	Low level	2,000,000 cycles
$15 \leq U \leq 35 \text{ V}$	-	10 mA to 1.50 Amps	High level	2,000,000 cycles
$35 < U \leq 90 \text{ V}$	-	10 mA to 0.50 Amps	High level	2,000,000 cycles
$90 < U \leq 140 \text{ V}$	-	10 mA to 0.35 Amps	High level	2,000,000 cycles

Life expectancy for DC loads other than 72Vdc: See application note n°003



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COIL CHARACTERISTICS (Vdc)**SERIES F370**

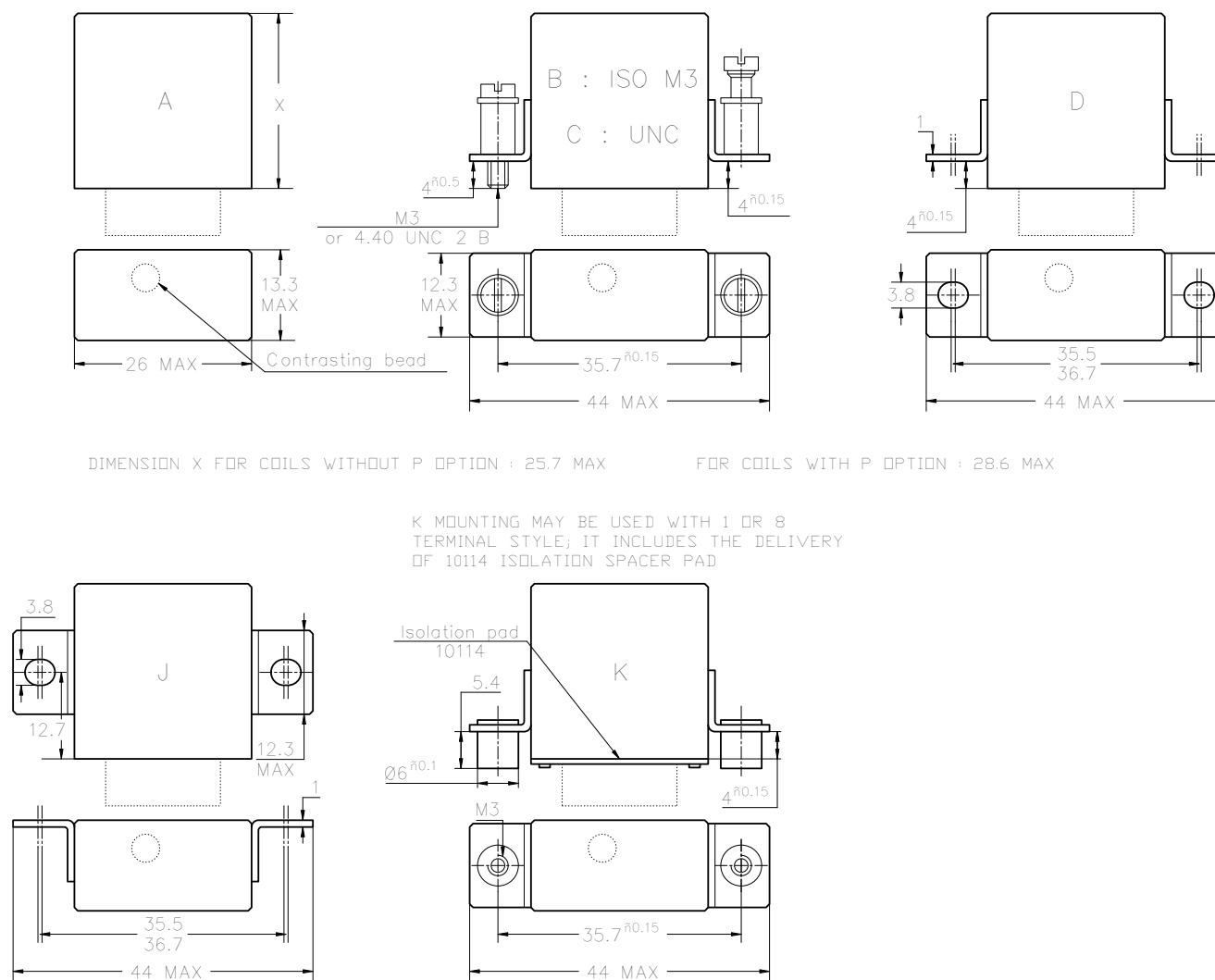
CODE	C	H	B	J	A	D	E	W	V
Nominal operating voltage	6	9	12	18	24	36	48	72	110
Maximum operating voltage at +85°C	7.5	11.3	15	22.5	33	45	60	90	138
Minimum operating voltage at +70°C, coil previously energized at 1.15 Un or at 35°C coil previously energized at Un	4.2	6.3	8.4	12.6	18.5	25.2	33.6	50.4	77
Hold voltage at +85°C	2.6	3.2	4.2	6.3	7.5	12.5	17.5	22.5	35
Drop-out voltage at -40°C	0.3	0.45	0.6	0.9	1.5	1.8	2	3.6	5.5
Coil resistance in Ohms $\pm 10\%$ at +25°C	20	45	80	180	320	650	955	3200	5000
Maximum back EMF (Volts) (with P suffix)	-15	-15	-15	-42	-42	-65	-65	-100	-140

GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

Operating temperature	-40°C to +85°C
Dielectric strength at sea level	
All terminals to ground	1500 Vrms / 50 Hz
Contact to contact, isolated terminals	1500 Vrms / 50 Hz
Initial insulation resistance at 500 Vdc	>1000 M Ω
Sinusoidal vibration	20 G / 30 to 3000 Hz
Shock	100 G / 6 ms 30 G / 18 ms
Maximum contact opening time under vibration and shock	10 μ s
Operate time at nominal voltage	10 ms max
Release time	10 ms max
Bounce time	1 ms max
Contact resistance at 5 Amps	15 m Ω max

MOUNTING STYLES

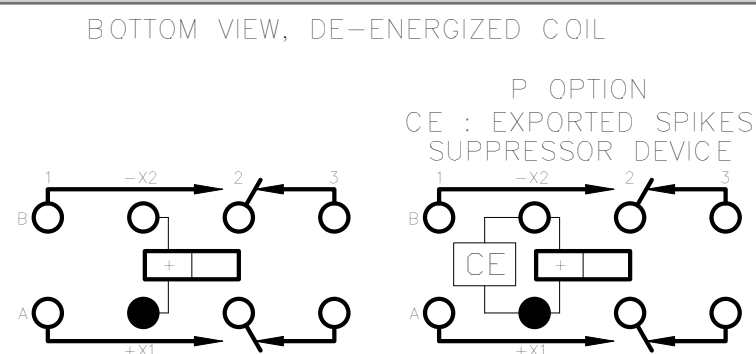
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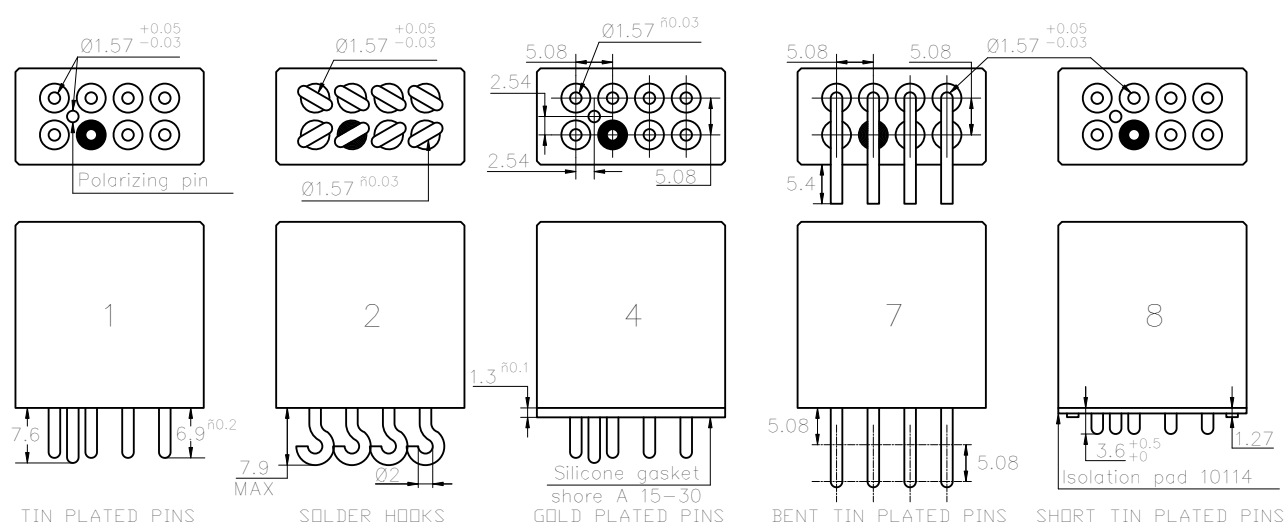
Dimensions in mm

Tolerances unless otherwise specified $\pm 0.25\text{mm}$

SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM



TERMINAL TYPES



	F370	B	4	A	P
Basic series designation					
1-Mounting Styles (A,B,C,D,J,K)					
2-Terminal Types(1,2,4,8)					
3-Coil Voltage (C,H,B,J,A,D,E,W,V)					
4-Coil Suppressor (P)					

NOTES

1. Relays with B, D mounting styles and terminal type 4 are compatible with socket SF300CE40E.

2. Isolation spacer pads for PCB mounting available on request.

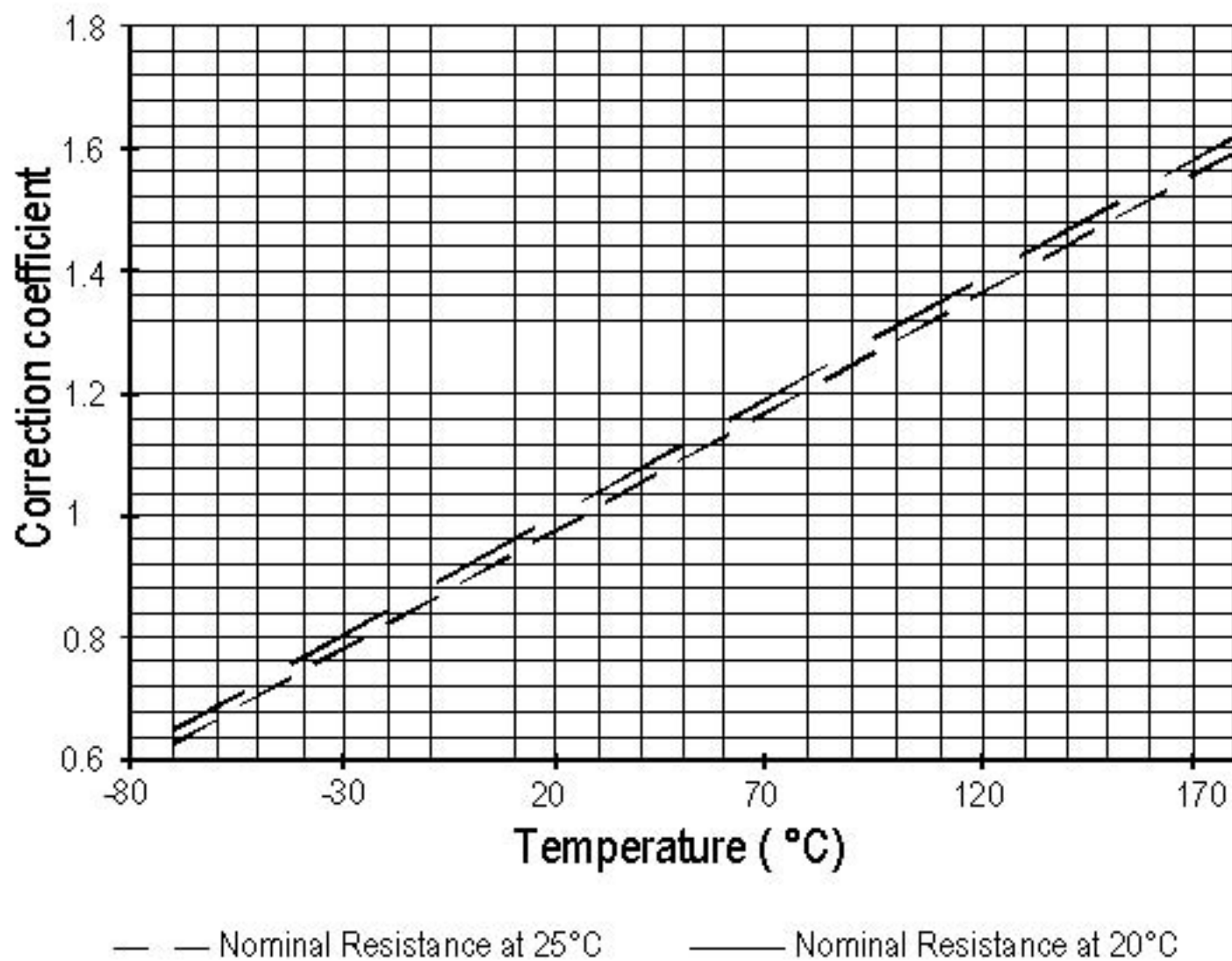
3. For other mounting styles or terminal types, please contact factory.

4. Non-overlapping arrangement insures that if one of the NO or NC contacts is accidentally welded, none of the other contacts can be transfered to another state.

TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

- Coil resistance temperature change: See application note no. 001

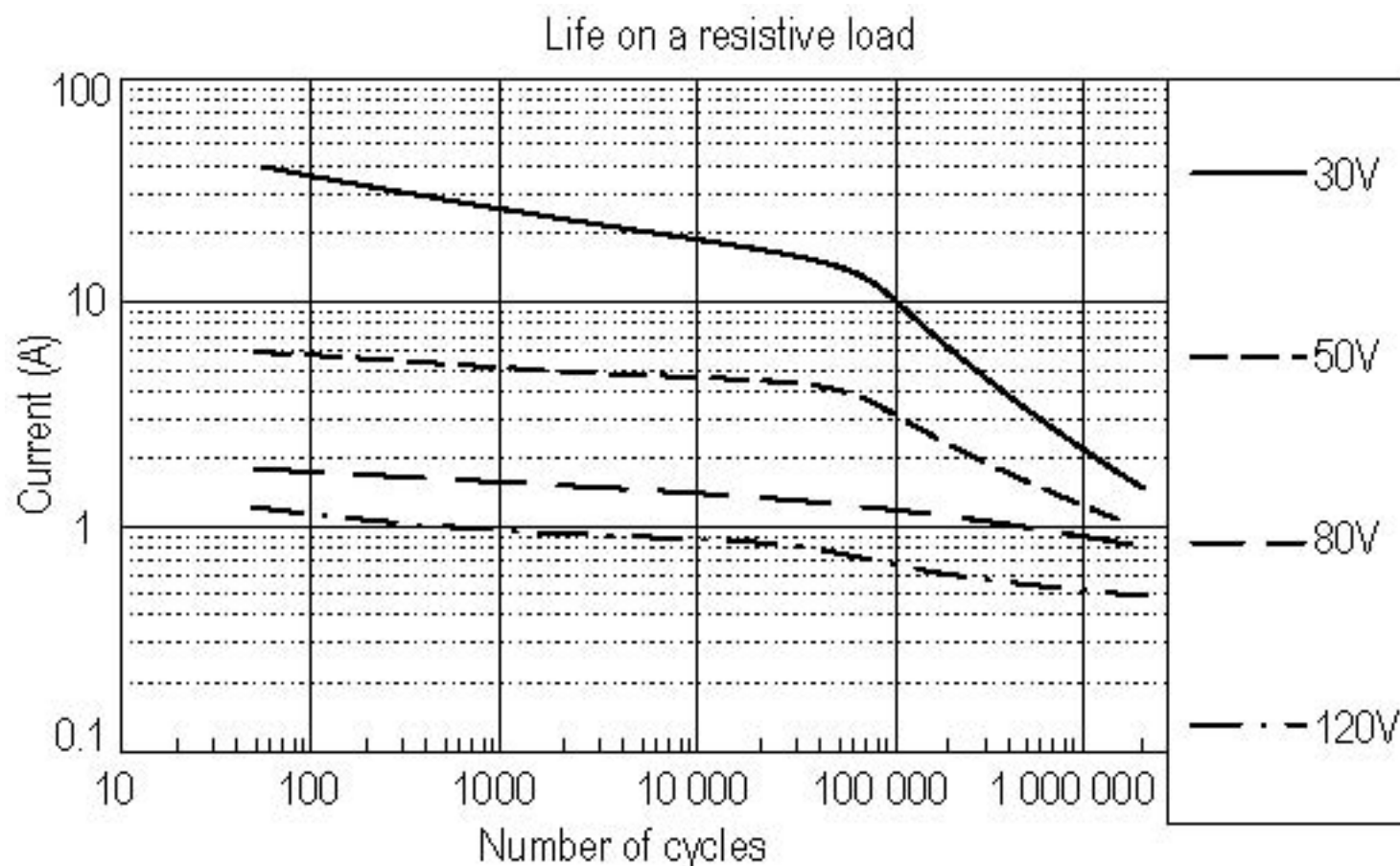
● Coil L/R ratio for all types of DC coils is = 9 ms

**CORRECTION DUE TO COIL COPPER WIRE RESISTANCE
CHANGE IN TEMPERATURE**

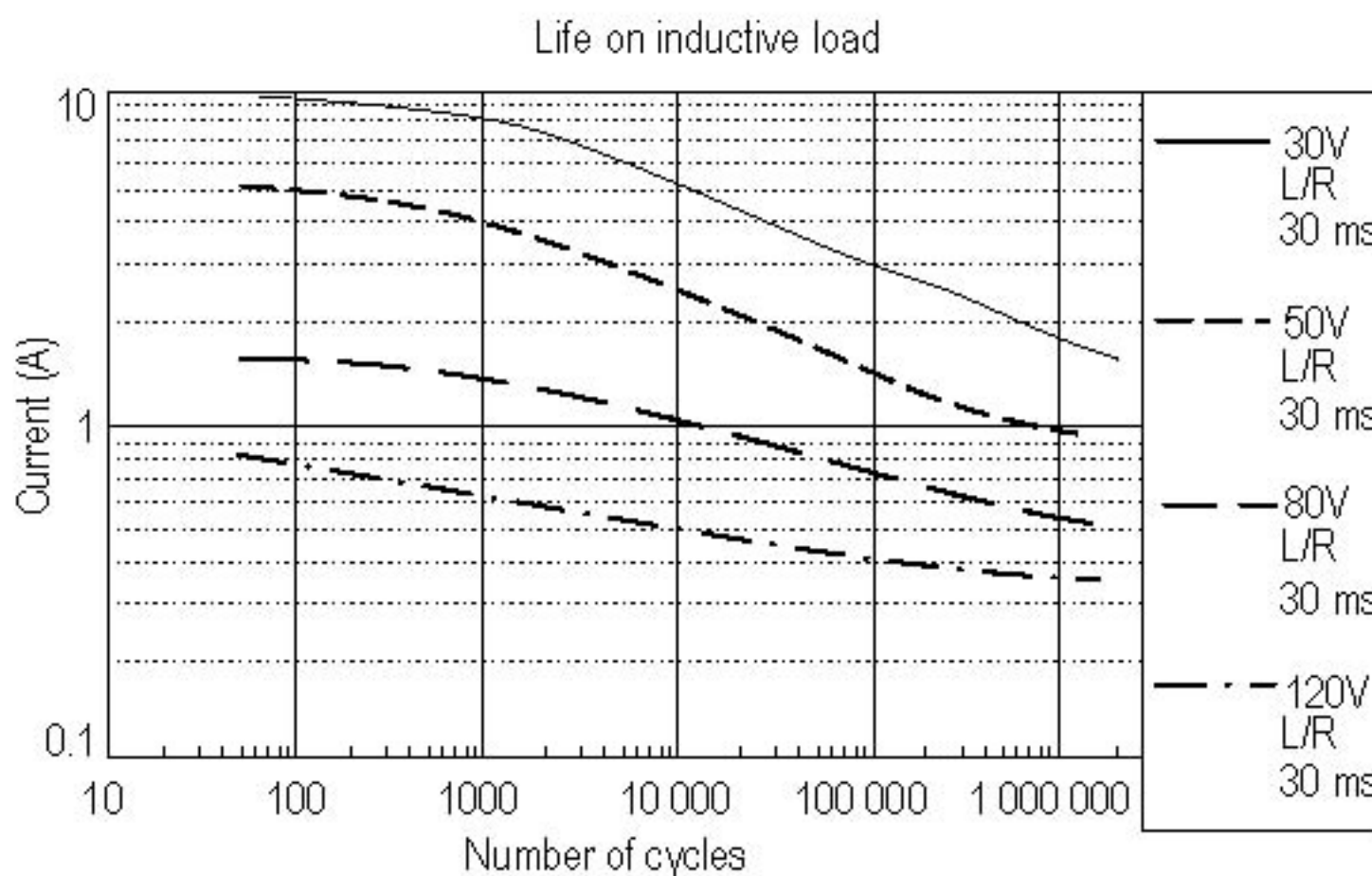
Example: Coil resistance at 25°C: 935 ohms. What is it at 125°C?

Correction coefficient on diagram is: 1.39 at 125°C. R becomes: $935 \times 1.39 = 1299$ Ohms

Correction also applies to operating voltages



Current greater than 15A cannot be conducted permanently.
For $I \cdot t$ product $> 2000 \text{ A}^2\text{s}$, please consult us.



To define life at values of L/R different to 30 ms, it is possible to consider the product $N \text{ cycles} \times L/R = \text{constant}$. This for a given current and voltage.

For example if a 80 V L/R 30ms 0.75 A, life is found on the graph at 100,000 cycles. For a L/R of 10 ms, and the same current, 0.75 A, life should be $100,000 \times 30 / 10 = 300,000$ cycles.

SUPPRESSOR DEVICES FOR RELAY COILS

The inductive nature of relay coils allows them to create magnetic forces which are converted to mechanical movements to operate contact systems. When voltage is applied to a coil, the resulting current generates a magnetic flux, creating mechanical work. Upon deenergizing the coil, the collapsing magnetic field induces a reverse voltage (also known as back EMF) which tends to maintain current flow in the coil. The induced voltage level mainly depends on the duration of the deenergization. The faster the switch-off, the higher the induced voltage.

All coil suppression networks are based on a reduction of speed of current decay. This reduction may also slow down the opening of contacts, adversely affecting contact life and reliability. Therefore, it is very important to have a clear understanding of these phenomena when designing a coil suppression circuitry.

Typical coil characteristics

On the graph below, the upper record shows the contacts state. (High level NO contacts closed, low level NC contacts closed, intermediate state contact transfer). The lower record shows the voltage across the coil when the current is switched off by another relay contact.

The surge voltage is limited to -300V by the arc generated across contact poles. Discharge duration is about 200 microseconds after which the current change does not generate sufficient voltage. The voltage decreases to the point where the contacts start to move, at this time, the voltage increases due to the energy contained in the NO contact springs. The voltage decreases again during transfer, and increases once more when the magnetic circuit is closed on permanent magnet.

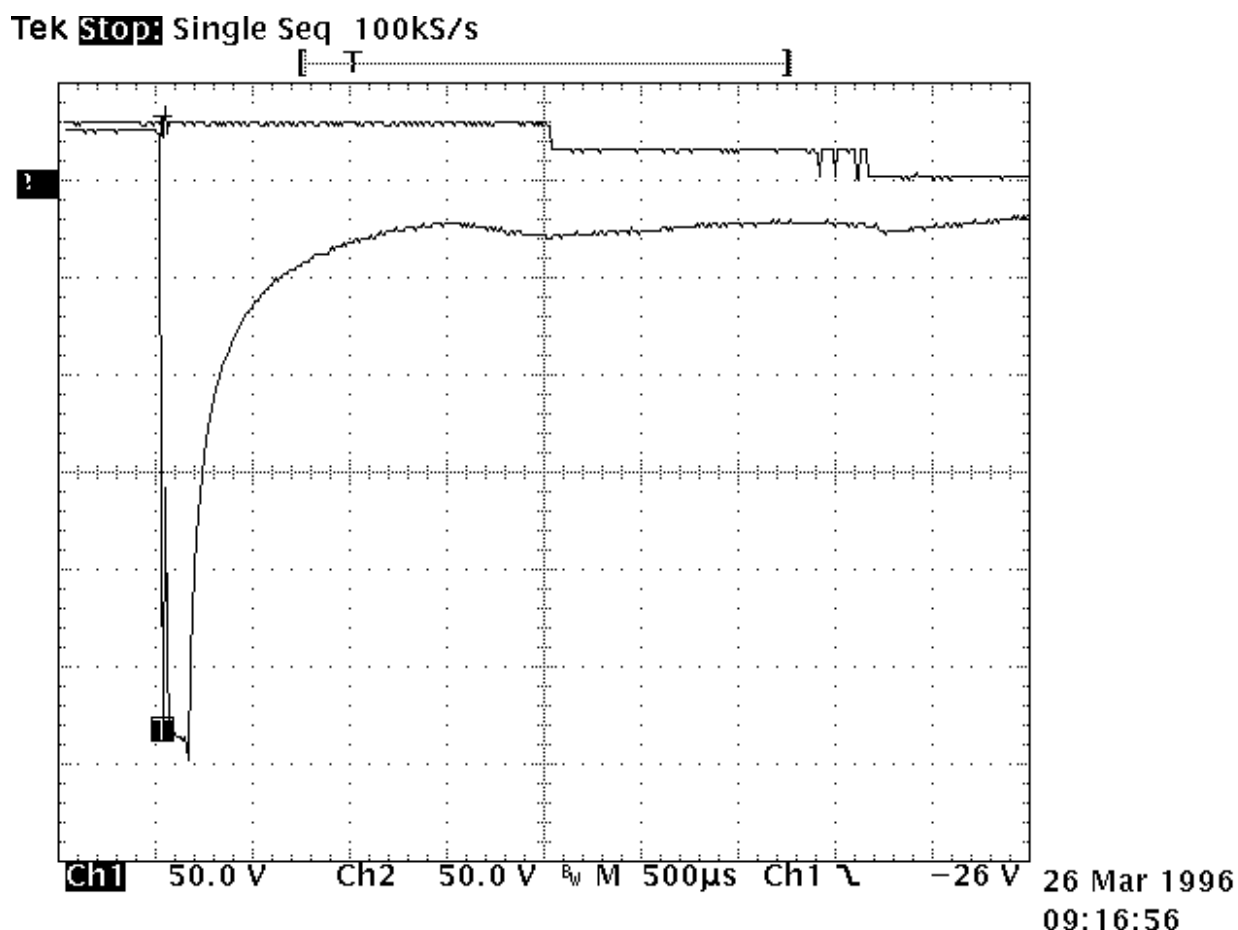
Operating times are as follows:

Time to start the movement 1.5ms

Total motion time 2.3ms

Transfer time 1.4ms

Contact State



Types of suppressors:

Passive devices.

The resistor capacitor circuit

It eliminates the power dissipation problem, as well as fast voltage rises. With a proper match between coil and resistor, approximate capacitance value can be calculated from:

$$C = 0.02 \times T / R, \text{ where}$$

T = operating time in milliseconds

R = coil resistance in kiloOhms

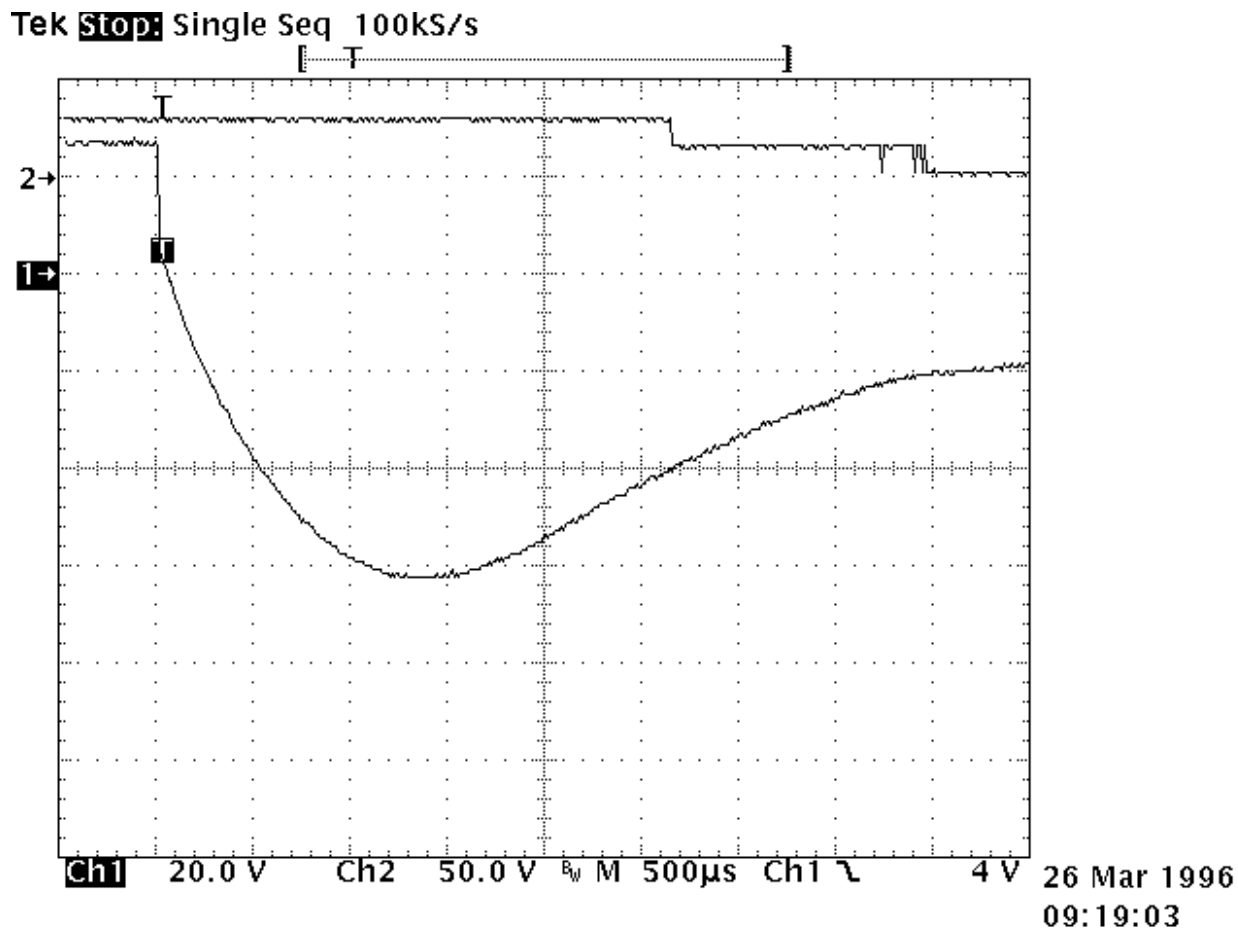
C = capacitance in microFarads

The series resistor must be between 0.5 and 1 times the coil resistance. Special consideration must be taken for the capacitor inrush current in the case of a low resistance coil.

The record shown opposite is performed on the same relay as above. The operation time becomes:

- time to start the movement 2.3ms
- transfer time 1.2ms

The major difficulty comes from the capacitor volume. In our example of a relay with a 290Ω coil and time delay of 8 ms, a capacitance value of $C=0.5 \mu\text{F}$ is found. This non polarized capacitor, with a voltage of 63V minimum, has a volume of about 1cm^3 . For 150V, this volume becomes 1.5 cm^3 .



The bifilar coil

The principle is to wind on the magnetic circuit of the main coil a second coil shorted on itself. By a proper adaptation of the internal resistance of this second coil it is possible to find an acceptable equilibrium between surge voltage and reduction of the opening speed. To be efficient at fast voltage changes, the coupling of two coils must be perfect. This implies embedded windings. The volume occupied by the second coil reduces the efficiency of the main coil and results in higher coil power consumption. This method cannot be applied efficiently to products not specifically designed for this purpose.

The resistor (parallel with the coil)

For efficient action, the resistor must be of the same order of magnitude as the coil resistance. A resistor 1.5 times the coil resistance will limit the surge to 1.5 times the supply voltage. Release time and opening speed are moderately affected. The major problem is the extra power dissipated.

Semi-conductor devices

The diode

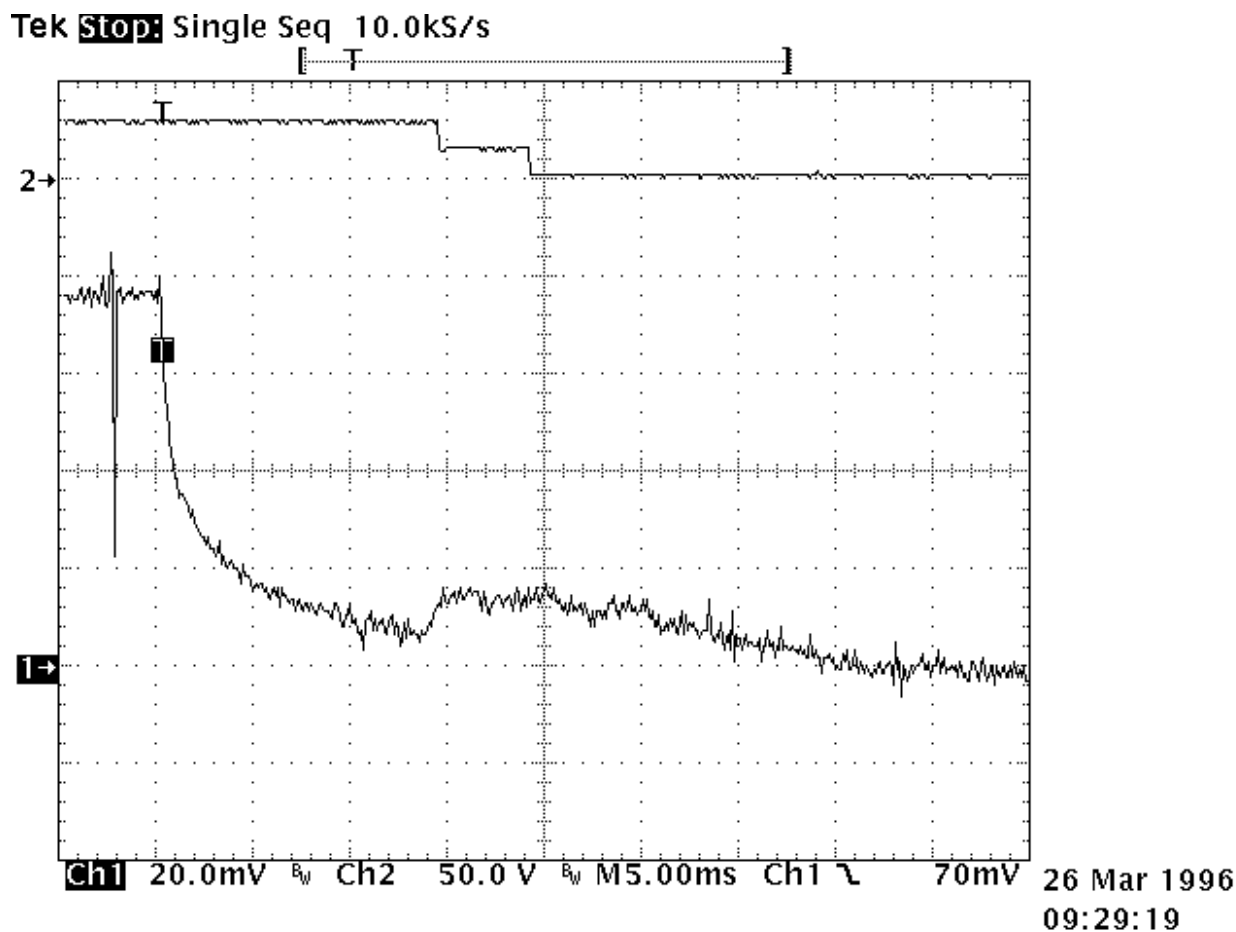
It is the most simple method to totally suppress the surge voltage. It has the major disadvantage of the higher reduction of contact opening speed. This is due to the total recycling, through the diode, of the energy contained in the coil itself. The following measurement is performed once again on the same relay. Operation times are given by the upper curve:

- time to start the movement 14ms
- transfer time 5ms

These times are multiplied by a coefficient from 4 to 8.

The lower curve shows the coil current. The increase prior to NO contact opening indicates that the contact spring dissipates its energy. At the opening time the current becomes constant as a result of practically zero opening speed.

Due to this kind of behavior, this type of suppression must be avoided for power relays. For small relays which have to switch low currents of less than 0.2 A, degradation of life is not that significant and the method may be acceptable.



The diode + resistor network

It eliminates the inconvenience of the resistor alone, explained above, and it limits the action of a single diode. It is now preferred to use the diode + zener network.

The diode + zener network

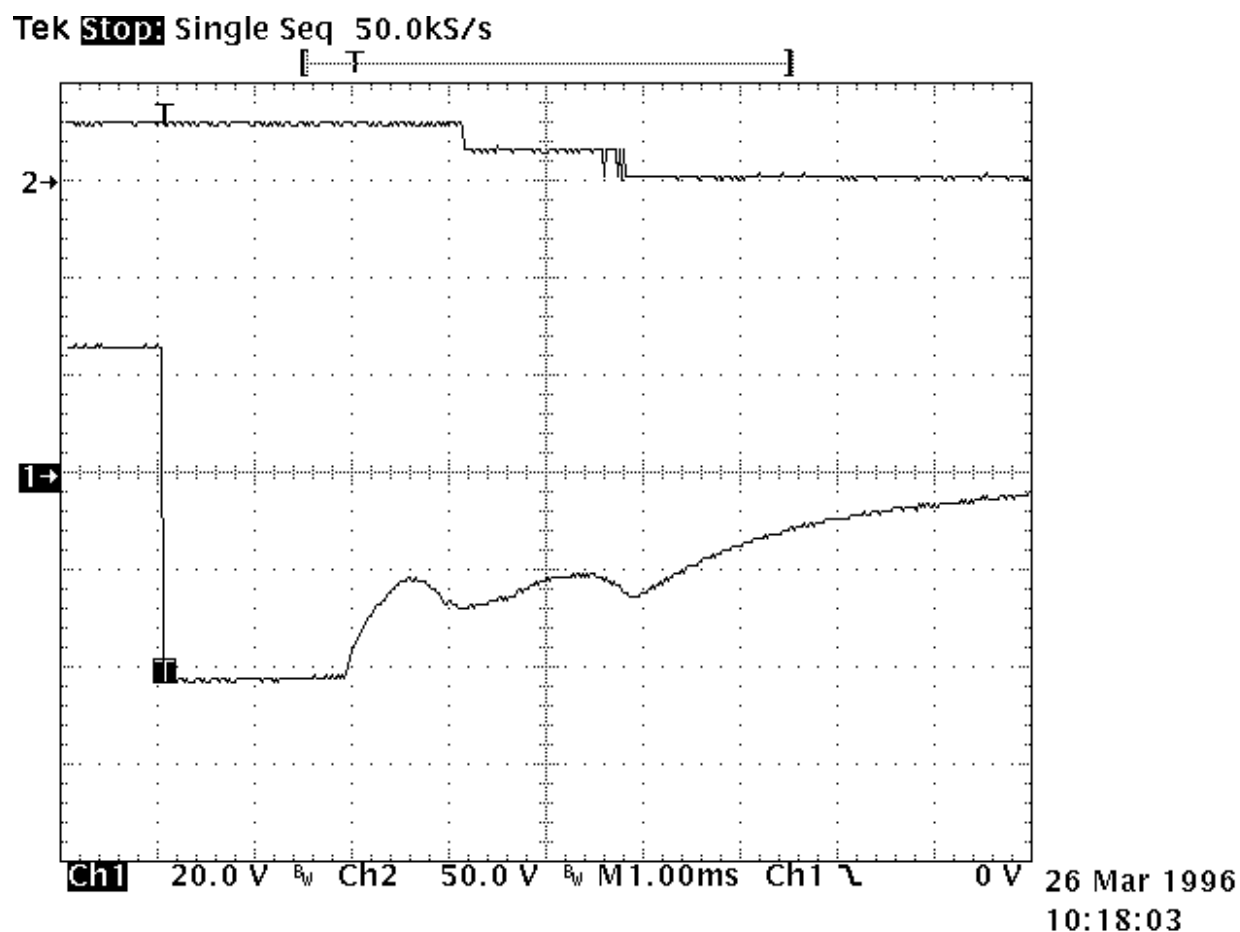
Like the resistor, the zener allows a faster decurrent decay. In addition it introduces a threshold level for current conduction which avoids the recycling of energy released during contact movement.

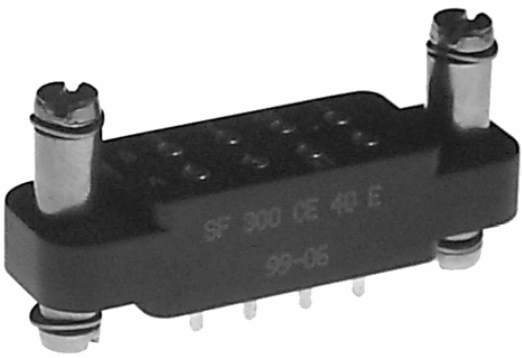
The lower curve on the opposite record demonstrates those characteristics. Voltage limitation occurs at 42V. The two voltage spikes generated by internal movement are at lower levels than zener conduction. As a result, no current is recycled in the coil.

The opening time phases are as follows:

- time to start the movement 2.6ms
- total motion time 2.4ms
- transfer time 1.4ms

The release time is slightly increased. The contacts' opening speed remains unchanged.



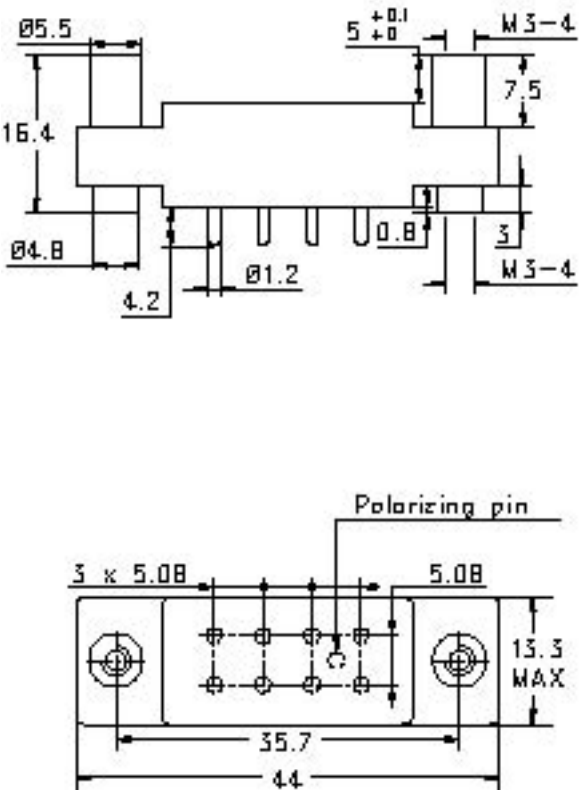


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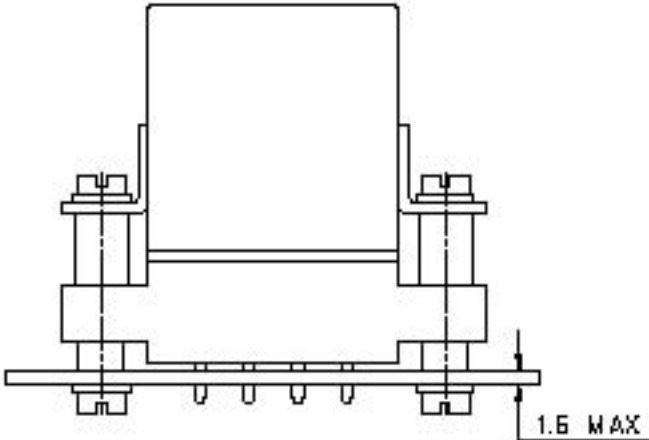
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Socket for printed circuit board mounting

DIMENSIONS



MOUNTING



GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

Applicable for F300, F370, FD300, and FD370 relay series.	
Temperature range	-55°C to +125°C
Storage temperature	-70°C to +150°C
Insulation resistance	> 1000 MΩ
Dielectric strength	
- Pins to mounting hardware	1500 Vrms / 50 Hz
- Between pins	1500 Vrms / 50 Hz
Sinusoidal vibration	20 g / 10 to 2000 Hz
Shock	50 g / 11 ms
Mounting hardware provided	4 screw M3-5



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