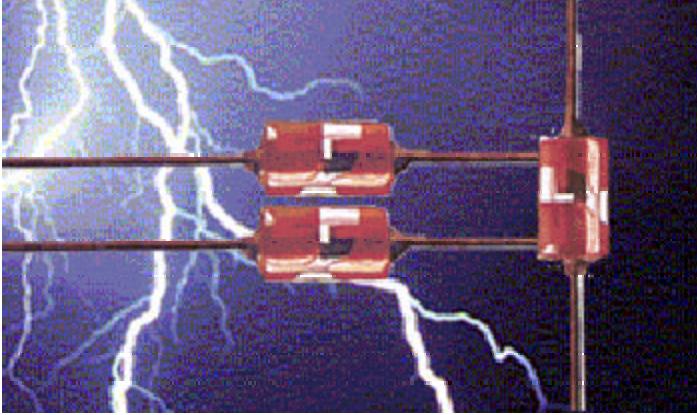


APPLICATION NOTE

PUNSUMI SURGE ABSORBERS



Punsumi Surge Absorbers (PSA) are a new generation of gas-tube surge suppressor devices (Spark Gaps) that use a Silicon Chip to provide the desired micro-gap separation in an inert gas atmosphere. The technology ensures superior V-t characteristics under standard test conditions implying effective

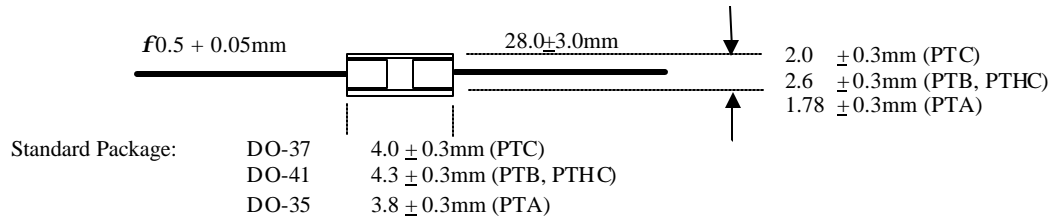
protection against fast rising transients (normally encountered due to inductive loads and lightning strikes). The innovative use of silicon enables the PSA to repeatedly guard against astonishingly high levels of surge current.

Under normal voltage levels the PSA acts as a virtual open circuit with Insulation Resistance in excess of 1000 M Ohms, permitting only an insignificant leakage current. The PSA energises within nanoseconds of the incoming surge's exceeding the impulse breakdown voltage and shunts the potentially damaging current away from the equipment.

SALIENT FEATURES	Patents	
* LOW IMPULSE BREAKDOWN VOLTAGE	USA	No. 5,436.608
* HIGH SURGE CURRENT CAPACITY	Taiwan	No. 67,998
* LONG SURGE LIFE	Japan	No. 100,295
* LOW CLAMPING VOLTAGE	Korea	No. 93/23092
* FAST RESPONSE	China	No. 93/105683.7
* LOW CAPACITANCE	India	No. 93/8923
* HIGH INSULATION RESISTANCE	Germany	No. 4337928
* SMALL SIZE	Punsumi Surge Absorbers were designed by Kanichi Tachibana. Now a free-lance scientist, Mr Tachibana served as a design engineer at Mitsubishi Co., Japan for over 29 years. Today, he holds many patents for different Discharge Glow Elements.	
* NO RADIO-ACTIVE SUBSTANCES		

PEAK IMPULSE BREAKDOWN LEVELS				
Model	DC Breakdown Voltage	100 V/ μ s	1 KV/ μ s	10 KV/ μ s
PTB 201M	160 – 240 V	400		
PTB 201MT	160 – 240 V	360		
PTB 301L/M	255 – 345 / 240 – 360 V	480	600	840

MECHANICAL DIMENSIONS



Product Guide

Model		DC Spark - over Voltage Vs (in Volts)	Insulation Resistance	Capacitance	Surge Life test			Surge Current Capacity			
PTA	201M	160-240	> 100 MΩ @ 100VDC	< 1pF	PTA	PTB	PTC	PTA	PTB	PTC	
	251M	200-300			8x20μs, 100A, 1 min. interval, 50 times	8x20μs, 100A, 30 sec interval, 300 times	8x20μs, 100A, 30 sec interval, 200 times	8x20μs, 500A 3 times, 5min. interval	8x20μs, 1.5 kA, 3 times, 5min. interval	8x20μs, 1 kA, 3 times, 5min. interval	
PTB	301L	255-345			1000pF, 10KV, 0Ω 100 times, each interval is 10 sec.		1000pF, 10KV, 0Ω, 100 times, each interval is 10 sec.				
PTC	301LS	270-360			> 100 MΩ @ 250VDC	8x20μs, 100A, 1 min interval, 200 times	8x20μs, 100A, 30 sec interval, 300 times	8x20μs, 100A, 30 sec interval, 200 times	8x20μs, 500A 3 times, 5min. interval	8x20μs, 1.5 kA, 3 times, 5min. interval	8x20μs, 1 kA, 3 times, 5min. interval
	301M	240-360									
PTB	351N	280-420	> 1000 M Ω @ 500VDC		8x20μs, 100A, 1 min interval, 200 times	8x20μs, 100A, 30 sec interval, 300 times	8x20μs, 100A, 30 sec interval, 200 times	8x20μs, 500A 3 times, 5min. interval	8x20μs, 1.5 kA, 3 times, 5min. interval	8x20μs, 1 kA, 3 times, 5min. interval	
	401M	320-480									
PTC	501M	400-600	> 1000 M Ω @ 500VDC		8x20μs, 100A, 1 min interval, 200 times	8x20μs, 100A, 30 sec interval, 300 times	8x20μs, 100A, 30 sec interval, 200 times	8x20μs, 500A 3 times, 5min. interval	8x20μs, 1.5 kA, 3 times, 5min. interval	8x20μs, 1 kA, 3 times, 5min. interval	
	701M	560-840									
PTHC	102M	800-1200	> 1000 M Ω @ 500VDC		< 1pF	8x20μs, 100A, 1 min interval, 200 times	8x20μs, 100A, 30 sec interval, 200 times	8x20μs, 500A 3 times, 5min. interval	8x20μs, 1.5 kA, 3 times, 5min. interval	8x20μs, 1 kA, 3 times, 5min. interval	
	152M	1200-1800									
	242M	1900 – 2900									
	302M	2400 – 3600									
	362M	2900- 4300									

MARKING: PRINTING

Example:	Type	Period of Manufacture	Print (on glass sleeve)	Date Code
	PTA 201M	Jan	201M M1	M1: Jan - Mar M4: Apr - Jun M7: Jul - Sep M10: Oct - Dec
	PTA 301M	Apr	301M M4	

PACKING

Available in Bulk, Radial and Axial Taping. Qty: 3000 Pcs/box (Bulk: 10 pouches/box, 300pcs/pouch)

RADIAL TAPING	Symbol	Dimensions (mm)
	P	12.7 + 1.0
	P0	12.7 + 0.3
	P1	3.85 + 0.5
	P2	6.35 + 1.3
	F1	5.0 + 0.5
	W	18.0 + 1.0 - 0.5
	W1	9.0 ± 0.5
	H1	16.0 + 0.5
	H2	32.25 max
	D	2.6 + 0.3
	D0	4.0 + 0.2
	D1	0.5 + 0.05
	L	4.0 ± 0.3

AXIAL TAPING	Symbol	Dimensions (mm)
	W	65.0
	P	5.0 ± 0.5
	T	6.0 ± 1.0
	Z	1.2 max
	S	0.8 max
	D	0.5 ± 0.05
	D1:	2.6 + 0.4
	L	4.0 ± 0.3
	The leads must not protrude from the tape.	

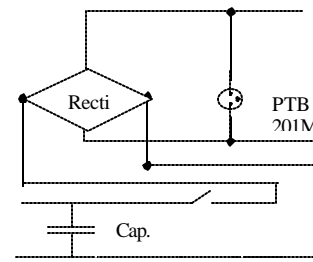
Technical Specifications

Item		Test Conditions	Requirement		
Surge Characteristics	Surge Life Test	Apply standard Impulse Short Circuit Wave form: 8X20 μ s, 100A at intervals of 30 sec – # of times as specified in document PL0201. The unit shall then be visually examined and measurements of Vs , IR and C shall be made.	Δ Vs/Vs shall not exceed \pm 30% IR and C to meet specified value.		
	Surge Current Capacity Test	Apply standard Short Circuit Current Wave form: 8x20 μ s, 3 times at an interval of 5 minutes. The device shall then be visually examined and should be judged to be unharmed.	PTA	500A	
			PTB	1500A	
PTC			1000A		
Mechanical Characteristics	Vibration	Subjected to an amplitude of 1.5mm maximum total displacement - within limits of 10-55 Hz. The frequency range shall be traversed in 1 min. This motion shall be applied repeatedly for a period of one hour in the X, Y and Z directions. Thereafter the unit shall be visually examined and the Vs, IR and Capacitance shall be measured.	No Visual Damage. Vs, IR and Capacitance to meet specified value.		
	Lead Wire Pull Strength	Gradually apply a load of 25 N (2.5kgf) and keep the unit fixed for 30 sec. Thereafter, the unit shall be visually examined and Vs, IR and Capacitance shall be measured	The lead wire should not appear pulled out and should not break		
	Lead Wire Bending Strength	The unit shall first be secured in a position such that the lead wires are vertical and a weight of 25N shall be applied axially. The lead wire shall then be bent by 90 $^{\circ}$ in one direction at a point of 3mm from the body along the radius of curvature and then back again to the original position. This procedure shall be repeated twice for 30 seconds. Thereafter, the unit shall be visually examined and Vs, IR and Capacitance shall be measured	There should be no visible damage and the electrical characteristics should not exceed specified value.		
Environmental Characteristics	Cold Resistance	The specimen shall be subjected to $-55 \pm 3^{\circ}$ for 1000Hr without load and then stored at room temperature for 4 hr. Thereafter, the Vs, IR and Capacitance shall be measured	The characteristics should not exceed specified value.		
	Heat Resistance	The specimen shall be stored at $125 \pm 2^{\circ}$ for 1000Hr without load and then stored at room temperature and humidity for 4 hr. Thereafter, the Vs, IR and Capacitance shall be measured.	The characteristics should not exceed specified value.		
	Humidity	The specimen shall be subjected to $85 \pm 2^{\circ}$ C, 85% R.H. for 1000Hr and then stored at room temperature and humidity for 4 Hr. Thereafter, the Vs, IR and Capacitance shall be measured.	The characteristics should not exceed specified value.		
	Temperature Cycle Test	The temperature cycle shown below shall be repeated 10 times and then the sample will be stored at room temp. and humidity for 4 hr. The unit shall then be examined visually and characteristics of Vs, IR and Capacitance shall be measured	Step	Temp	Period
		1	40 $^{\circ}$ C	30 min	
		2	Room	2 min	
		3	125 $^{\circ}$ C	30 min	
Solderability	Solderability	After dipping the lead wire to a depth of about 3mm from the body in a solder bath of temp $235 \pm 5^{\circ}$ C for 5 ± 0.5 second .examine the lead wire visually	Over 90% of the lead wire should be covered with new solder		
	Resistance to Soldering Heat	After dipping the lead wire to a depth of about 3mm from the body in a solder bath of temp $350 \pm 10^{\circ}$ C for 5 ± 1 sec., measure the Vs, IR and Capacitance	The characteristics should not exceed specified value.		

Applications of Punsumi Surge Absorbers

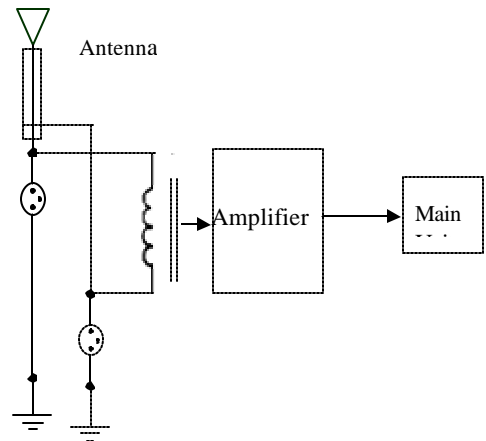
1 Telephone Instrument protection

Most designers and manufacturers recommend the above protection configuration as a superior option to the 95V MOV used. The MOV can be directly replaced by the PTB 201M.



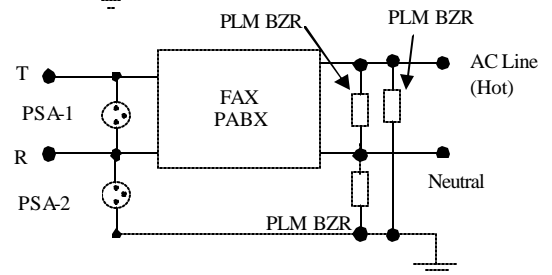
2 Antenna Protection with PTB 201M

The PSA protects the processing circuits and amplifiers against static surge energies in the vicinity of the antenna and also from ESD from human contact. This configuration can be used for Car Receivers, Tuner-Cassette recorders, Wireless Communication, Satellite Receivers etc.



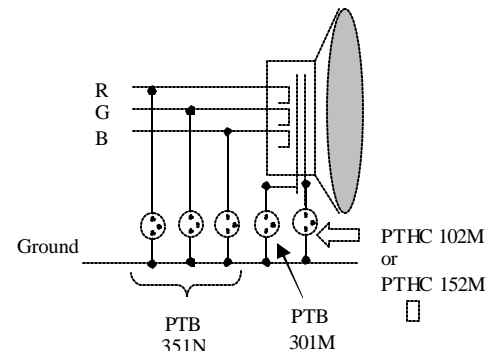
3 Protection for Communication Lines

Surges on telephone lines on subscriber premises are frequently responsible for damaged instruments and equipment. This problem is exacerbated by faulty grounding in communication line circuits – a protection configuration as shown in adjoining figure can provide effective protectio



4 Protection of Video Amplifiers from CRTs

High voltage spikes returning from the CRT display are frequently known to damage controlling circuits including expensive video amplifiers – this problem is further compounded by the use of higher energization voltage in Flat CRTs. The PSA can provide an excellent, long-lasting and cost effective solution.



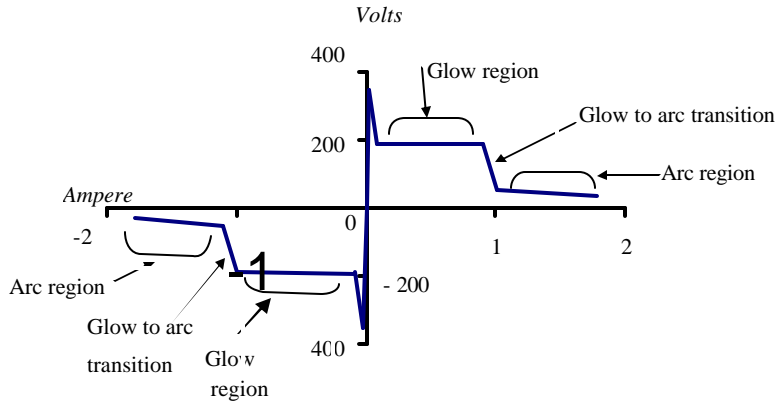
PSA vs MOV: Illustration with Telephone Instruments

Most telephone instrument manufacturers use a 95 V dc MOV as protection against surges and spikes. The Clamping Voltage of this configuration at 25A (surge current) is 200V. This high clamping voltage of 200V implies that the subsequent components in the circuit are subjected to at least 200V in case of an impending surge of 25A magnitude. Real life surges generally have amplitudes of about 500A in domestic electricity and communication line circuits.

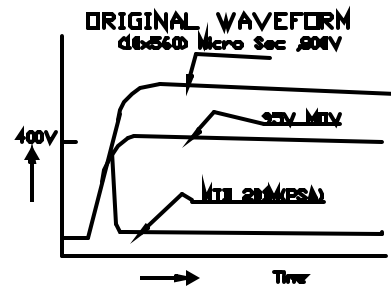
The MOVs in general suffer from the following problems:

- **Higher Clamping Voltage**
- **Thermal Runaway**
- **High Capacitance**
- **Degradation with Use**
- **High Capacitance**

To overcome this problem Punsumi suggests **PTB 201M (PSA)**. A PSA will stay in conduction mode as long as the original surge is able to maintain sufficient current through and the Clamping Voltage at 25A is 30V. After the passage of the surge the PSA will revert back to non-conduction mode but the MOV will continue to conduct the follow-on current thereby developing a potential across itself and exposing the equipment or components to harmful energy.



V-I Characteristics of PSA MOV



(95V) Vs PSA (MTB 201M)

Advantage of PSA Over MOV

Characteristics	PUNSUMI	MOVS
Clamping Voltage	20-30V in Arc region	Much higher – depends on Varistor rating.
Thermal Runaway	No Thermal Runaway	YES
Life	No degradation	Degrades with use
Capacitance	< 1pF	500 pF (typically)
Insulation Resistance	> 100 M Ohms	> 100 M Ohms
Surge Current Capacity	8x20µs, 1.5kA, 5 minutes interval, 3 times (PTB)	8x20µs, 3kA (max) –depends on MOV size
Response Time	< 1ns	<1ns

Comparative Performance between Punsumi and other brands.

