Compactron Diode
FOR TV DAMPING DIODE APPLICATIONS

- COLOR TV TYPE - DIFFUSION BONDED CATHODE - 5000 VOLTS DC - 250 MILLIAMPERES DC

The 6BE3 is a compactron, single heater-cathode type diode intended for service as the damping diode in the horizontal deflection circuit of color or monochrome television receivers. The diffusion bonded cathode practically eliminates one of the major failure mechanisms in damping diodes, which is plate-to-cathode arcing caused by emissive particles being pulled from the cathode by the high electrostatic field.

**GENERAL**

**ELECTRICAL**

Cathode - Coated Unipotential

Heater Characteristics and Ratings
- Heater Voltage, AC or DC*: 6.3±0.6 Volts
- Heater Current+: 1.2 Amperes

Direct Interelectrode Capacitances, approximately:
- Cathode to Plate and Heater: k to (p + h) 10 pf
- Plate to Cathode and Heater: p to (k + h) 8.0 pf
- Heater to Cathode: (h to k) 3.4 pf

**MECHANICAL**

Operating Position - Any
Envelope - T-9, Glass
Base - E12-70, Button 12-Pin
Outline Drawing - EIA 9-60
- Maximum Diameter: 1.188 Inches
- Minimum Diameter: 1.062 Inches
- Maximum Over-all Length: 2.875 Inches
- Maximum Seated Height: 2.500 Inches
- Minimum Seated Height: 2.250 Inches

**MAXIMUM RATINGS**

Design-Maximum ratings are limiting values of operating and environmental conditions applicable to a bogey electron tube of a specified type as defined by its published data and should not be exceeded under the worst probable conditions.

The tube manufacturer chooses these values to provide acceptable serviceability of the tube, making allowance for the effects of changes in operating conditions due to variations in the characteristics of the tube under consideration.

The equipment manufacturer should design so that initially and throughout life no design-maximum value for the intended service is exceeded with a bogey tube under the worst probable operating conditions with respect to supply-voltage variation, equipment component variation, equipment control adjustment, load variation, signal variation, environmental conditions, and variations in the characteristics of all other electron devices in the equipment.

**PHYSICAL DIMENSIONS**

![Physical Dimensions Diagram]

**TERMINAL CONNECTIONS**

Pin 1 - Heater
Pin 2 - No Connection
Pin 3 - No Connection
Pin 4 - Plate
Pin 5 - Internal Connection - Do Not Use
Pin 6 - No Connection
Pin 7 - Cathode
Pin 8 - No Connection
Pin 9 - Internal Connection - Do Not Use
Pin 10 - Plate
Pin 11 - No Connection
Pin 12 - Heater

**BASING DIAGRAM**

![Basing Diagram]

EIA 9-60

**GENERAL ELECTRIC**

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MAXIMUM RATINGS (Cont'd)

TV DAMPER SERVICE—DESIGN-MAXIMUM VALUES

- Peak Inverse Plate Voltage: 5000 Volts
- Plate Dissipation: 6.5 Watts
- Steady-State Peak Plate Current: 1200 Milliamperes
- DC Output Current: 225 Milliamperes

Heater-Cathode Voltage
- Heater Positive with Respect to Cathode: 100 Volts
- DC Component: 300 Volts
- Total DC and Peak: 900 Volts
- Heater Negative with Respect to Cathode: 5000 Volts
- DC Component: 900 Volts
- Total DC and Peak: 5000 Volts

AVERAGE CHARACTERISTICS

- Tube Voltage Drop: 350 Milliamperes DC, 25 Volts

NOTES

* The equipment designer should design the equipment so that heater voltage is centered at the specified bogey value, with heater supply variations restricted to maintain heater voltage within the specified tolerance.

† Heater current of a bogey tube at Ef = 6.3 volts.

§ Without external shield.

¶ For operation in a 525-line, 30-frame television system as described in "Standards of Good Engineering Practice Concerning Television Broadcast Stations", Federal Communications Commission. The duty cycle of the voltage pulse must not exceed 15 percent of one scanning cycle.

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