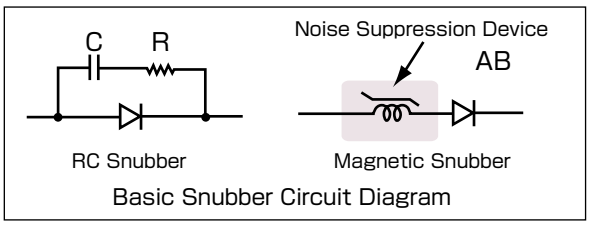
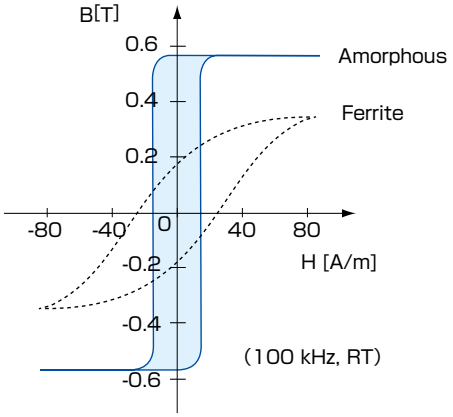
1. Noise Suppression Devices AMOBEADS™

An amorphous noise suppression device is unique and completely different from conventional noise filters. Conventional noise prevention products focus on somehow minimizing the noise after it's been created, by typically trying to absorb the noise, and so their effectiveness in noise reduction is directly influenced by frequency of the circuit. Amorphous noise suppressing devices, on the other hand, focus on the source of the noise and work to prevent or minimize the noise before it has a chance to develop. The source of the electronic circuit noise is the rapid change of current or voltage, and the effectiveness of the amorphous cores in eliminating this noise is independent of frequency.

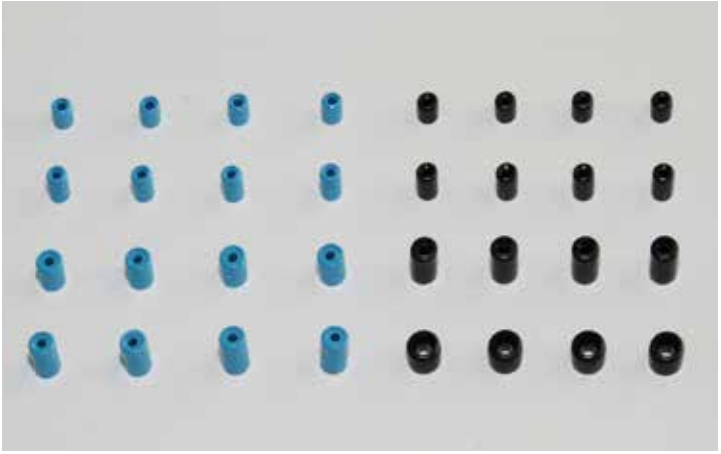
An amorphous noise suppression device is a product that takes full advantage of the unique magnetic characteristics of the cobalt based amorphous alloy. Toshiba Materials offers two noise suppression devices, "AMOBEADS™ " and "SPIKE KILLERS™ ". AMOBEADS™ " deliver excellent noise suppression results and are convenient to use by simply being slipped over the leads of the semiconductor device. "AMOBEADS™ " are also available with a lead thru and in a surface mount configuration. "SPIKE KILLERS™ ", which are larger in size than "AMOBEADS™ ", most often are wire wound and are effective in eliminating or minimizing higher noise levels.



Basic Snubber Circuit Diagram

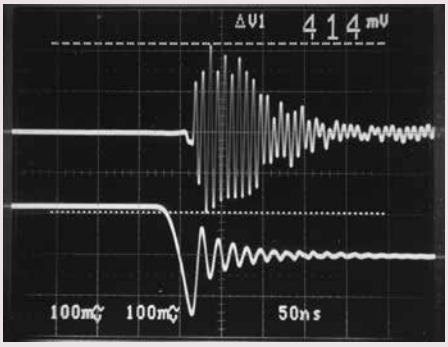


B-H Curve (typical)



Example for Noise Suppressing Effect (Chopper Converter)

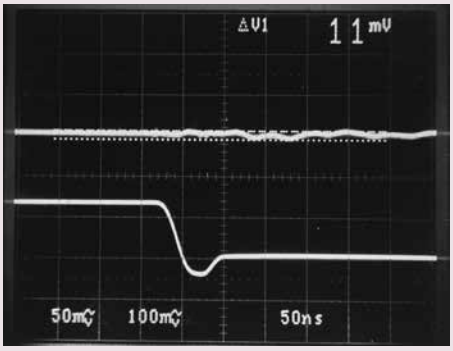
With an excellent saturable characteristic, "AMOBEADS™ " suppress the reverse recovery current of the diode and decrease the noise that is occurring. When the current for diode reverses and tries to go into the recovery condition, the "AMOBEADS™ " displays a large inductance and oppose the generation of the recovery current. In this instance, a soft recovery is possible for core material with a smaller coercive force.



Without Countermeasure

Output Noise

Diode Current
1A/div



With AMOBEADS™
(AB4×2×8W)

Standard Specifications

AMOBEADS™

W series

Type No.	Finished Dimensions [mm]			Core Size [mm]*1			Total Flux*2	AL value*3	Insulating Cover	Packing Unit
	O.D. max	I. D. min	H.T. max	O.D.	I. D.	H.T.	ϕc[μWb] min	L[μH] min		
AB3X2X3W	4.0	1.5	4.5	3.0	2.0	3.0	0.9	3.0	PBT case Blue	2,000 [pcs/box]
AB3X2X4.5W	4.0	1.5	6.0	3.0	2.0	4.5	1.3	5.0		
AB4X2X4.5W	5.0	1.5	6.0	4.0	2.0	4.5	2.7	9.0		
AB4X2X6W	5.0	1.5	7.5	4.0	2.0	6.0	3.6	12.0		
AB4X2X8W	5.0	1.5	9.5	4.0	2.0	8.0	4.8	16.0		

DY series (low price)

(Recommend for big demand, 10,000pcs/lot)

Type No.	Finished Dimensions [mm]		Total Flux*7	Insulating Cover	Packing Unit [pcs/bag]
	O.D.	H.T.	ϕc[μWb]		
AB2.8X4.5DY	4.0±0.2	5.7±0.3	0.9min	PBT Black	10,000
AB3X2X3DY	4.0±0.2	4.2±0.3	0.9min	PBT Black	10,000
AB3X2X4.5DY	4.0±0.2	5.7±0.3	1.3min	PBT Gray	10,000
AB4X2X6DY	5.0+0.2/-0.3	7.2±0.3	3.6min	PBT Black	5,000
AB5X4X3DY	5.95±0.2	4.2±0.3	0.45min	PBT Black	5,000

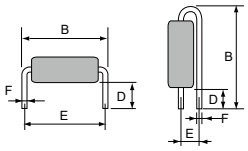
※Inner diameter can pass through a 1.2X0.7mm lead.
However, Inner diameter of AB5x4x3DY can pass through a 2.5x0.7 mm lead.

W series DY sereis

AMOBEADS™ with lead

Bulk type

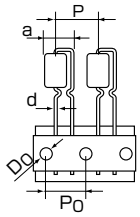
Type No.	Finished Dimensions [mm]				Current*4 [A]	Total flux*2 ϕc[μWb]	AL Value*3 L[μH]	Insulating Cover	Packing Unit
	B	D	E	F					
LB4X2X8F	16.0max	4.2±0.5	14.0±1.0	ϕ1.25±0.1	(8.0)	4.8 min	16.0 min	PBT case Black	1,000 [pcs/box]
LB4X2X8U	20.0max	4.0±0.5	5.0±1.0	ϕ1.25±0.1					



LB4X2X8F LB4X2X8U

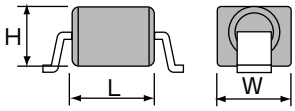
Radial taping

Type No.	P [mm]	Po [mm]	Do [mm]	a [mm]	d [mm]	Current*4 I [A]	Total Flux*5 ϕc[μWb]	Packing Unit
LB2.8X4.5U	12.7	12.7	ϕ4.0	9.0max	ϕ0.8	(5)	0.9min	3,000 [pcs/box]

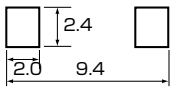


SMD Type AMOBEADS™

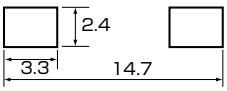
Type No.	Finished Dimensions [mm]			Lead width x thickness	Io*4 [A]	Total Flux*2 ϕc[μWb]	AL value*3 L[μH]	Insulating Cover	Packing Unit [pcs/reel]
	width	length	height						
AB3X2X3SM	5.0±0.3	5.0±0.3	4.0±0.3	(1.8×0.35)	(6.0)	0.9 min	3.0	LCP case Black	2,000
AB4X2X6SM	6.0±0.3	8.0±0.3	5.0±0.3	(1.8×0.52)	(9.0)	3.6 min	12.0		1,000



Recommended Land Pattern (mm)



AB3X2X3SM



AB4X2X6SM

*1 Reference Value *2 Minimum Guarantee on Measuring Condition : 50kHz、80A/m(sine wave), R.T.
*3 Measuring Condition:50kHz, 1V, 1turn, R.T.
*4 Typical Value, using a cross section of lead
*5 Converted from Inductance Value L_1 at 1kHz、100mA(sine wave)、R.T.

ϕc(μWb)=0.282 x L_1(μH)

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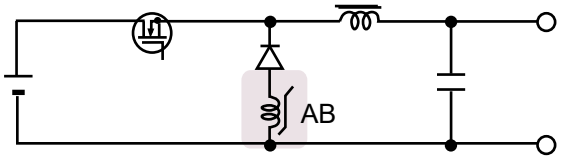
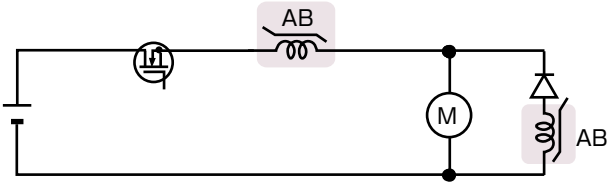
Examples of Applied Circuits and their Characteristics

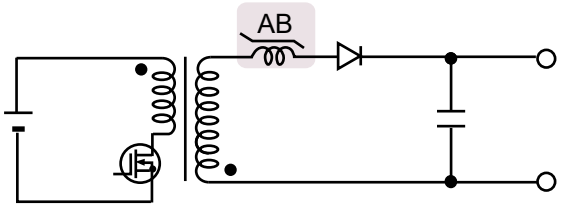
Application of Amorphous Noise Suppression Devices



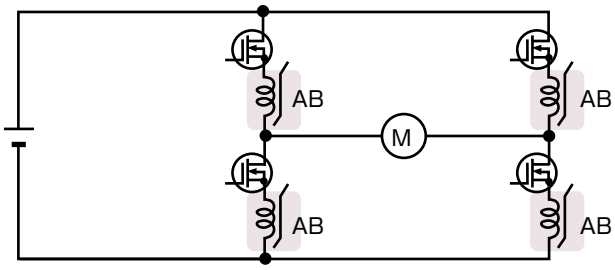
Chopper Converter



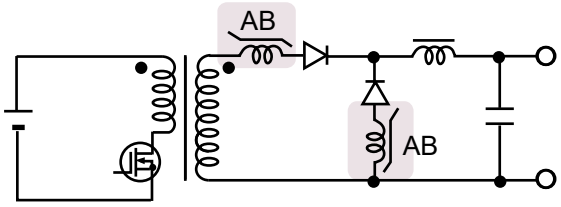
Control Circuit for Motor



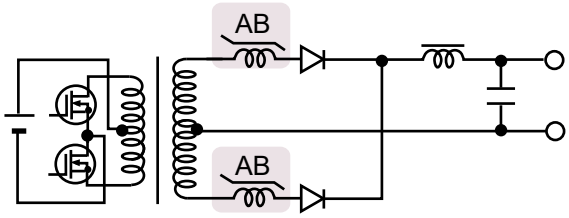
Flyback Converter



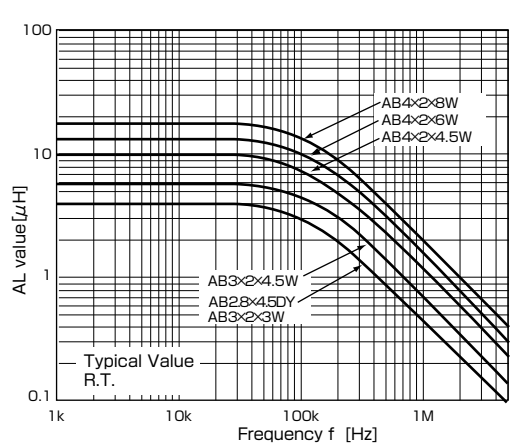
Motor Driving Circuit



Forward Converter

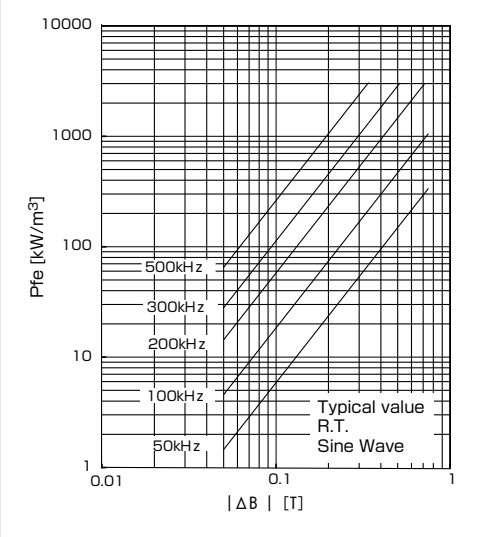


Push-pull Converter

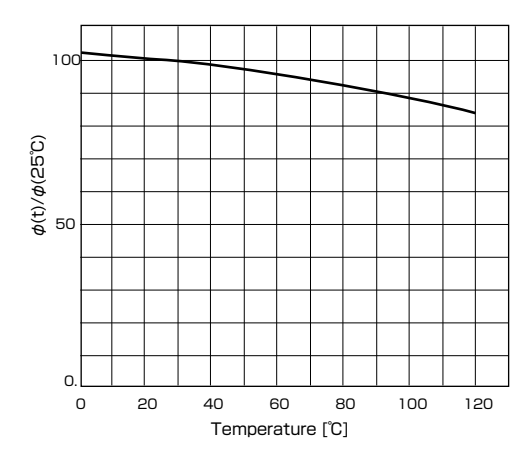


Frequency Characteristics of Inductance

Characteristics (Typical value)



Coreloss Characteristic [AMOBEADS™]



Flux(φ) Decline Ratio vs. Temperature

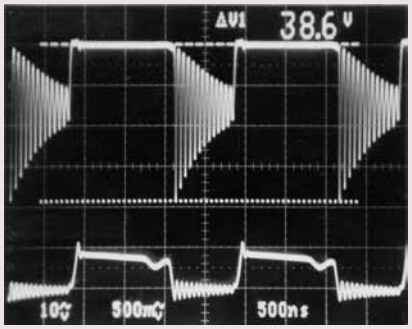
Effects of Noise Suppression by AMOBEADS™

Spike Voltage Suppression

Spike voltage can be reduced and ringing phenomena can also be prevented by AMOBEADS. Also Schottky barrier diode (SBD) can be protected from over voltage.

Frequency:500kHz
Output Voltage - Current
:5V-20A

Without Countermeasure



Diode Voltage
V_D
10V/div

Diode Current
I_D
5A/div

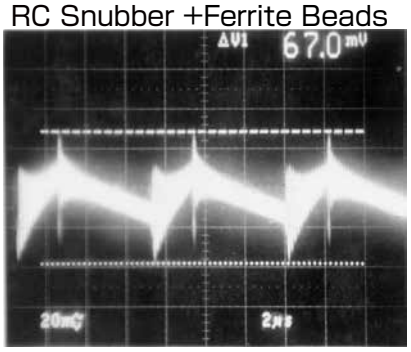
AMOBEADS™ "AB4×2×4.5W"

Output Noise Reduction

When the ferrite is replaced by AMOBEADS at the secondary output diode (FRD) of the forward converter circuit, the output noise can be tremendously reduced, not only the noise peak level but also the amplitude range.

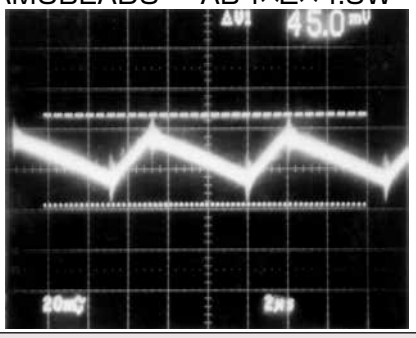
Frequency:150kHz
Output Voltage - Current
:15V-10A

RC Snubber +Ferrite Beads



Output Noise
V_N
20mv/div

AMOBEADS™ "AB4×2×4.5W"

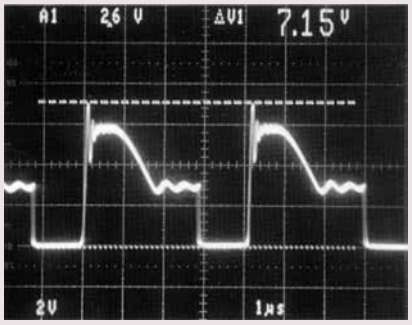


Primary Surge Voltage

When the ferrite is replaced by AMOBEADS at the secondary output diode (SBD) of the forward converter circuit, the output noise and harmful influence to the primary stage can be reduced. These effects are based on the inclination of the actual BH curves between amorphous and ferrite materials.

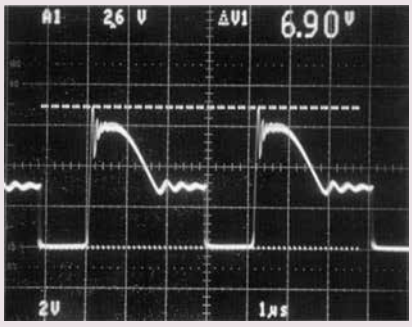
Frequency:250kHz
Output Voltage - Current
:5V-15A

Ferrite Beads 4×2×4

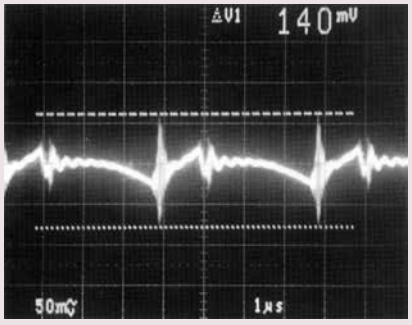


MOS-FET
Drain-Source
Voltage
V_{DS}
200V/div

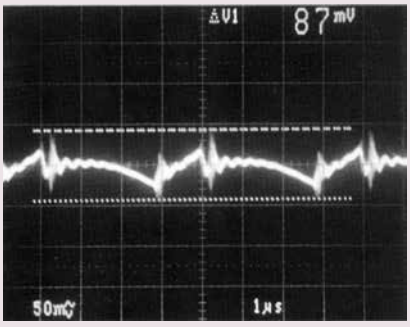
AMOBEADS™ "AB4×2×4.5W"



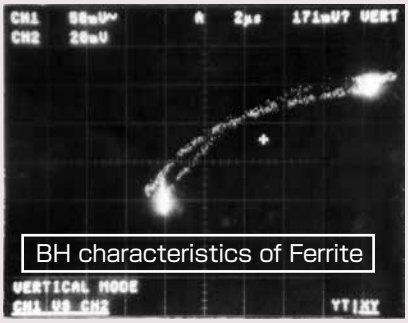
Output Noise



Output Noise
V_N
50mv/div



Actual BH Curve



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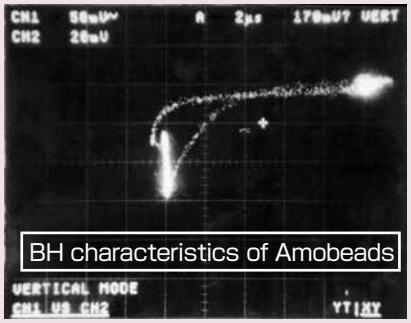

2. Noise Suppression Devices SPIKE KILLER™

RoHS compliant products

Standard Specifications

SPIKE KILLER™ which has an even stronger noise inhibiting effect than AMOBEADS™.

SPIKEK KILLER™

Type No.	Finished Dimensions[mm] *1			Core Size [mm] *2			Effective core cross section Ae[mm²] *2	Mean Flux Path Length Lm [mm] *2	Total Flux φc[μWb]min *3	Coercive Force Hc[A/m] *3	Rectangular Ratio Br/Bm[%] *3	Insulating Cover
	O.D.	I.D.	H.T	O.D.	I.D.	H.T						
SS7X4X3W	9.1	3.3	4.8	7.5	4.5	3.0	3.38	18.8	3.15	22max	90min	PET case Black
SS10X7X4.5W	11.5	5.8	6.6	10	7	4.5	5.06	26.7	4.73			
SS12X8X4.5W	13.8	6.8	6.6	12	8	4.5	6.75	31.4	6.31			
SS14X8X4.5W	15.8	6.8	6.6	14	8	4.5	10.1	34.6	9.46			
SS18X12X4.5W	19.8	10.8	6.6	18	12	4.5	10.1	47.1	9.46			
SS21X14X4.5W	22.8	12.8	6.6	21	14	4.5	11.8	55.0	11.0			

*1 Tolerance ±0.2[mm] *2 Reference value
*3 Measuring condition:100kHz、80A/m (sine wave), R.T.

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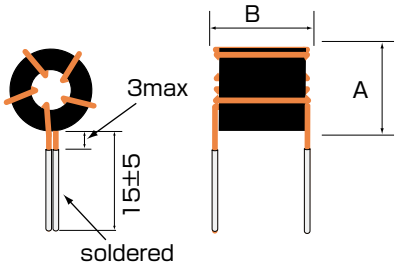
Wired SPIKE KILLER™

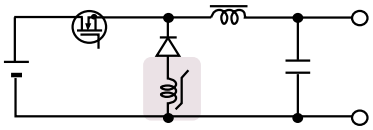
Type No.	Core Type No.	Current*1 [A]	Wire Dia. [φmm]	N [turn]	Flux*2 [uWb]	Dimensions[mm] A max	Dimensions[mm] B max
SS07S0309	SS7x4x3W	0.5	0.3	9	28.3	12	8
SS07S0507	SS7x4x3W	1.5	0.5	7	22.1	12	8
SS07S0510	SS7x4x3W	1.5	0.5	10	31.5	12	8
SS07S0515	SS7x4x3W	1.5	0.5	15	47.3	12	8
SS10S05105	SS10x7x4.5W	1.5	0.5	5	23.7	14	10
SS10S05107	SS10x7x4.5W	1.5	0.5	7	33.1	14	10
SS10S05110	SS10x7x4.5W	1.5	0.5	10	47.3	14	10
SS10S09110	SS10x7x4.5W	5	0.9	10	47.3	15	11
SS14S09108	SS14x8x4.5W	5	0.9	8	75.7	20	11
SS14S09205	SS14x8x4.5W	10	0.9x2	5	47.3	20	11



Type of wire:1UEW

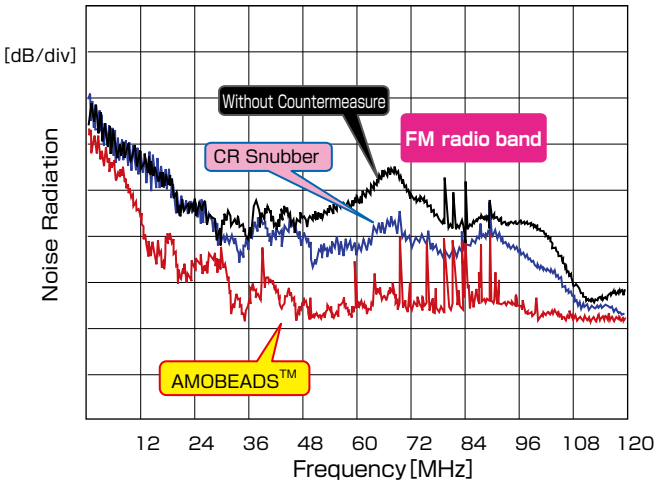
*1: Typical Value, using a cross section of winding wire
*2:Total Flux of core × turn

Example of applied circuit and its characterisitic



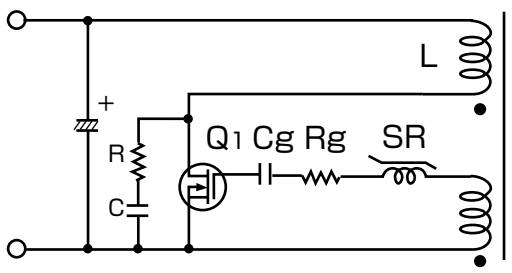
Chopper Converter

Testing Condition of Radiant Noise Measurment	
Input	20[V]
Output	12[V]／2[A]
Frequency	90kHz
Rectifier	FRD
Detector	Simple Loop Antenna

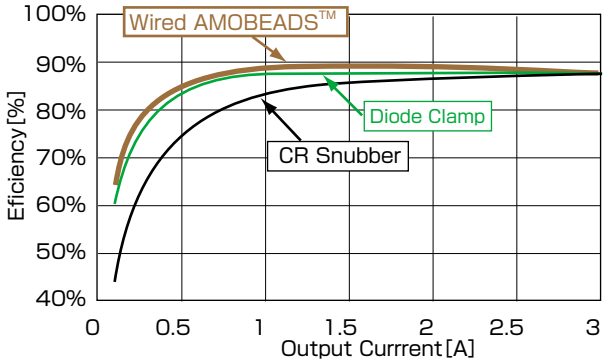


Examples of Applied Circuits and Effects of Noise Suppression

Example Circuit:Self-Exiting Single Flyback(RCC)

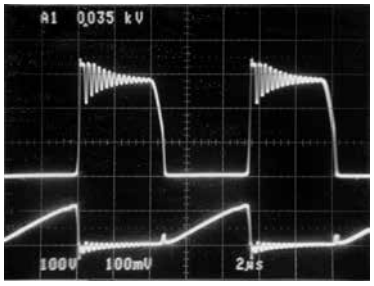
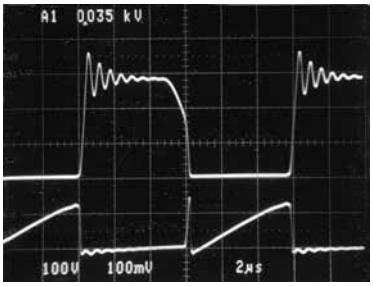
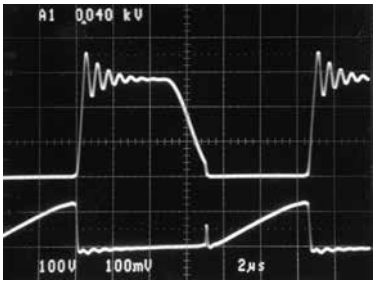
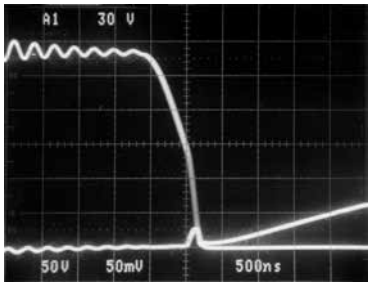
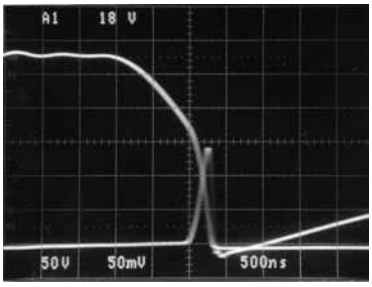
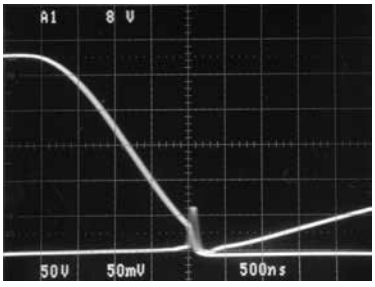
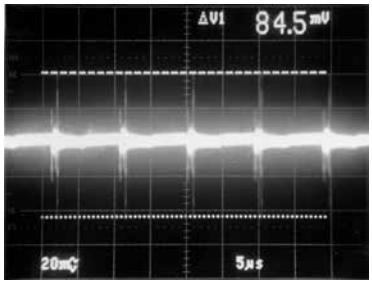
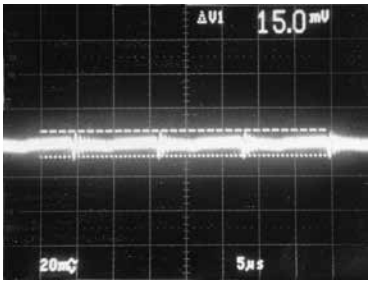
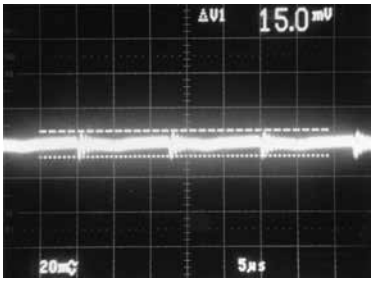


SR:Wired AMOBEADS™



Power Supply Efficiency(Vin:DC140V, Vo:24V)

Example of Effects(Delaytor)

	Diode Clamp (68kΩ、0.022μF)	CR Snubber (10Ω、1500pF)	Wired AMOBEADS™ AB44DY0307 applied
Swirching Waveform Vds 100V/div Id 1A/div			
Turn-on Waveform Vds 100V/div Id 0.5A/div			
Output Voltage Noise Vn 20mV/div			

Wired AMOBEADS™ delay the turn-on time of the MOSFET when they are inserted between the gate of the MOSFET and drive winding on the primary side of the self-exiting single flyback (RCC). The wired AMOBEADS™ reduce both noise, due to surge current and switching loss, by turning on the switching element at the point when the voltage of the transformer becomes low, utilizing the the LC resonance phenomenon induced by inductance L of the primary winding of the transformer and a snubber capacitor C.

Note : The diode clamp circuit has a tendency to increase the out put noise.

How to Select the Proper Size "AMOBEADS™"and"SPIKE KILLER™"

The proper size "AMOBEADS™ " core is selected by calculating the necessary voltage times the time in seconds (=flux). From its operating theory, there is a need to increase the voltage used in the calculation by that which develops during the reverse recovery period of diode. The multiple of the voltage and time (voltage times second) is equal to the operating flux. Therefore, the magnetization $\Delta\phi$ ns necessary to suppress the noise is calculated by the voltage Ec[V] and time for reverse recovery of diode, that is added to "AMOBEADS™ "

$$\Delta\phi_{ns}\ [Wb] = E_c \times t_{rr}\ [V \times Sec]$$

A good result is achieved when the voltage Ec added to "AMOBEADS™ " is close to voltage added to diode. Please select the "AMOBEADS™ " that have a larger core magnetization ϕc than the voltage times seconds that was calculated here. However, the actual noise suppression result for "AMOBEADS™ " on real circuit may differ from the calculated value due to the peculiar recovery characteristics of the diode used or the circuit structure. So please confirm the effect by performing examination. "AMOBEADS™ " can be also affected by things like a CR snubber, so please perform evaluation under condition without any effect of a snubber.

Since "AMOBEADS™ " have high circuit voltage, sometimes an insufficient result is obtained when the reverse recovery time is long and has minimal magnetization. Under this condition, please consider a wire wound type "SPIKE KILLER™ "

Example of "AMOBEADS™ " Selection

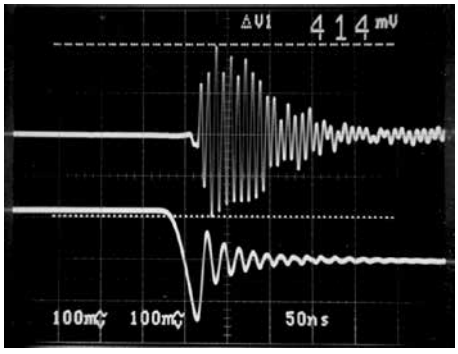
Forward Converter

trr	Output Voltage				
	3.3V	5V	12V	15V	24V
35nsec	AB3×2×3W	AB3×2×4.5W	AB4×2×4.5W	AB4×2×4.5W	AB4×2×6W
60nsec	AB3×2×4.5W	AB4×2×4.5W	AB4×2×4.5W	AB4×2×6W	SPIKE KILLER

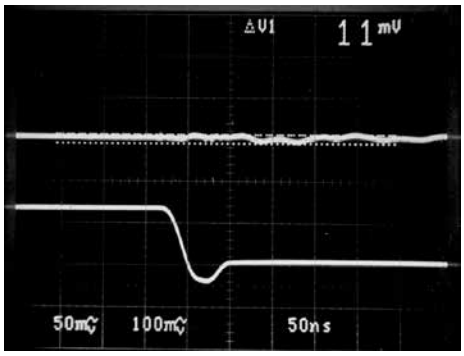
Flyback Converter

trr	Output Voltage				
	3.3V	5V	12V	15V	24V
35nsec	AB3×2×3W	AB3×2×3W	AB3×2×4.5W	AB4×2×4.5W	AB4×2×4.5W
60nsec	AB3×2×3W	AB3×2×4.5W	AB4×2×4.5W	AB4×2×4.5W	AB4×2×6W

Example of Noise Reduction



Without Countermeasure



With AMOBEADS
(AB4×2×8W)

Principle of the Noise Suppressing Device

Reference

We will explain the behavior of "AMOBEADS™" when slipped over the lead of a switching power supply output diode.

PeriodI,O(When Diode is On)

During period I, which is when the diode is in the "ON" condition and the forward current is running, the "AMOBEADS™" are in the saturated magnetic condition "I". There will be almost no inductance under this condition. (Inductance is proportional to the slope of the B-H curve.)

PeriodⅡ(When Diode is Turn Off)

During period Ⅱ, which is when the diode current starts to turn off and the current decreases heading towards zero, the "AMOBEADS™" magnetization curve will change like "Ⅱ" in a condition of almost no inductance until the current crosses zero. Since there is no inductance during this period Ⅱ, the angle or slope of the diode current during turn off is constant, a unique characteristic of the "AMOBEADS™". If materials such as ferrite is used, inductance will occur during this period Ⅱ and the angle or slope of current during the turn off period will change and this will lead to increased of diode loss.

Period Ⅲ(Reverse Recovery Period)

During periodⅢ, a reverse recovery current tries to flow in a direction opposite to the normal direction of current flow of the diode and as a result, the magnetization curve of the "AMOBEADS™" change like "Ⅲ" and the inductance increases rapidly. At this time, the large inductance of the "AMOBEADS™" intercepts and opposes the recovery current and converts the current into a soft recovery condition. Thus by converting the sharp reverse recovery to a soft recovery condition by decreasing the rate of the current change (di/dt), the "AMOBEADS™" minimize the rapid change of current (High di/dt) and suppress the noise in the circuit.

Period Ⅳ(After Reverse Recovery Ends)

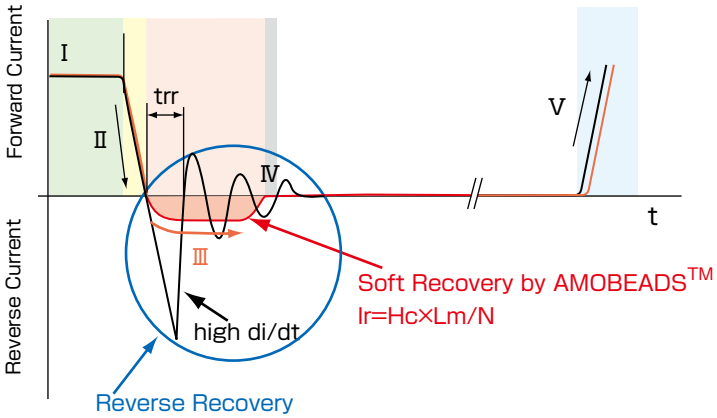
During period Ⅳ, when the reverse recovery of the diode ends, the magnetization of the "AMOBEADS™" will move parallel to the vertical axis of the magnetization curve as shown in period "Ⅳ".

Period Ⅴ (When Diode is Turn On)

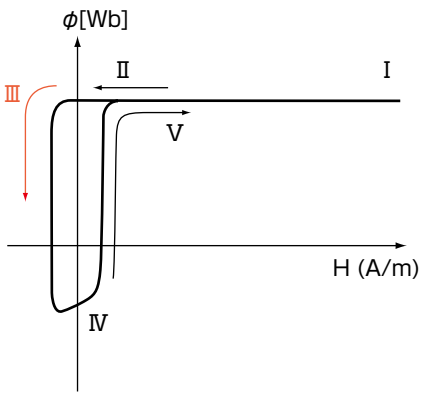
The "AMOBEADS™" magnetization will change as shown in "Ⅴ" of the magnetization curve and go back to a saturation condition. At this point, the diode will turn on and after a slight delay of the start up of current, the next current pulse will develop and the cycle described above from Period I thru Ⅴ will repeat itself.

As the complete cycle repeats itself at the circuit operating frequency, the "AMOBEADS™" repeatedly suppress circuit noise during period Ⅲ of the cycle by eliminating the rapid change in the reverse recovery current of the diode, which is the cause of noise.

"AMOBEADS™" use a cobalt based amorphous alloy with a small coercive force under frequency and this results in excellent noise suppression.



Current Waveform of Diode



Actual BH Curve

Notices on Handle, Maintenance and Discontinue List

Reference

Notices of the amorphous magnetic parts on handle Detail information are described on the technical data sheet or the specification for supply.	
Maximum Operating Temperature	120℃ (include temperature rising by self-heating, under natural air cooling) (except FS series which is 85℃)
Wire Winding	Be careful at wire winding or lead insertion. Damage or deformation of the core or insulating cover has a harmful influence. Be careful to the rare short circuit.
Mounting	Make sure not to apply any stresses which will lead to deformation of the core exterior. If the product is to be impregnated, bonded, cleaned or otherwise treated, confirm that such treatment will not adversely affect the magnetic characteristics. When impregnating the core, be sure that the magnetic properties will not be influenced. Prevent radiation and conduction from high temperature components from reaching the core. Be sure to consider vibration and shock when installing these parts.
Soldering	When soldering be sure that the core exterior will not be deformed by heat conducted through the lead wire. Do not subject parts to re-flow or flow soldering. (Except the surface mounting type)
Circuit Design	Be careful, of imput voltage, rated current, ambient temperature and temperature rise. When revising the circuit, please recheck the core temperature rise. Recheck the maximum temperature or maximum loads.
Transport and Storage	Do not drop the parts. Protect the parts from water.

Discontinued List

Discontinued Type No.	Substitution (recommend)
FS10X4X1	(FS12X8X4.5W)
MA7X6X4.5X	(MS10X7X4.5W)
MA8X6X4.5X	(MS10X7X4.5W)
MA10X6X4.5X	(MS10X7X4.5W)
MA14X8X4.5X	MS14X8X4.5W
MA18X12X4.5X	MS18X12X4.5W
MA22X14X4.5W	(MS26X16X4.5W)
MA26X16X4.5W	MS26X16X4.5W
MB8X7X4.5	(MS10X7X4.5W)
MB9X7X4.5	(MS10X7X4.5W)
MB10X7X4.5	MS10X7X4.5W
MB12X8X4.5	MS12X8X4.5W
MB14X8X4.5	MS14X8X4.5W

Discontinued Type No.	Substitution (recommend)
MB15X10X4.5	MS15X10X4.5W
MB18X12X4.5	MS18X12X4.5W
MB21X14X4.5	MS21X14X4.5W
MS8X7X4.5W	(MS10X7X4.5W)
MS9X7X4.5W	(MS10X7X4.5W)
MS10X6X4.5W	(MS10X7X4.5W)
MT10X6.5W	MT10X7X4.5W
SA4.5X4X3	AB5x4x3DY
SA5X4X3	AB5x4x3DY
SA7X6X4.5	(SS7X4X3W)
SA8X6X4.5	(SS10X7X4.5W)
SA10X6X4.5	(SS10X7X4.5W)
SA14X8X4.5	SS14X8X4.5W
AB3X2X6W	(AB4X2X4.5W)

Attention :

Same or similar core size items are listed up for substitution. Magnetic or electric characterisitcs are changeable.
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Wired parts made by these cores are also discontinued items.

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