

**HIGH VOLTAGE IGNITION COIL DRIVER  
POWER IC**

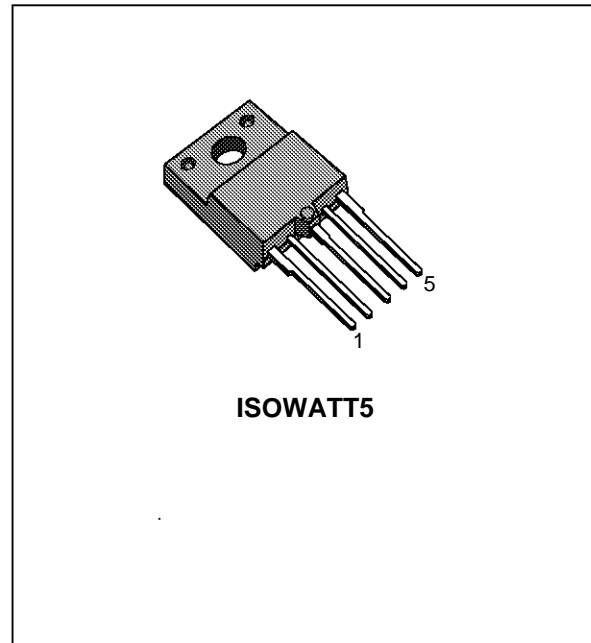
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VB020	400 V	6 A	150 mA

- PRIMARY COIL VOLTAGE INTERNALLY SET
- COIL CURRENT LIMIT INTERNALLY SET
- LOGIC LEVEL COMPATIBLE INPUT
- OVERVOLTAGE PROTECTION OF THE DRIVING AND CONTROL CIRCUIT

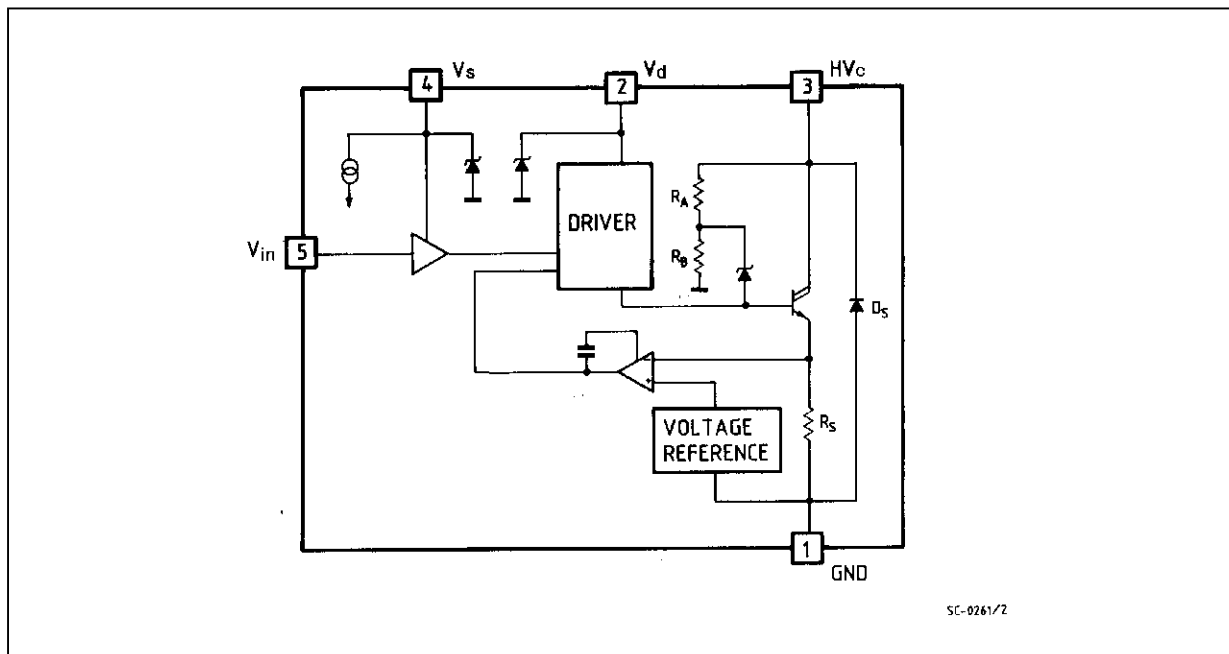
**DESCRIPTION**

The VB020 is a high voltage power integrated circuit made using SGS-THOMSON Microelectronics Vertical Intelligent Power Technology, with vertical current flow power darlington and logic level compatible driving circuit.

Built-in protection circuits for coil current limiting and collector voltage clamping allows the VB020 to be used as a smart, high voltage, high current interface in advanced electronic ignition systems.



**BLOCK DIAGRAM**



## VB020

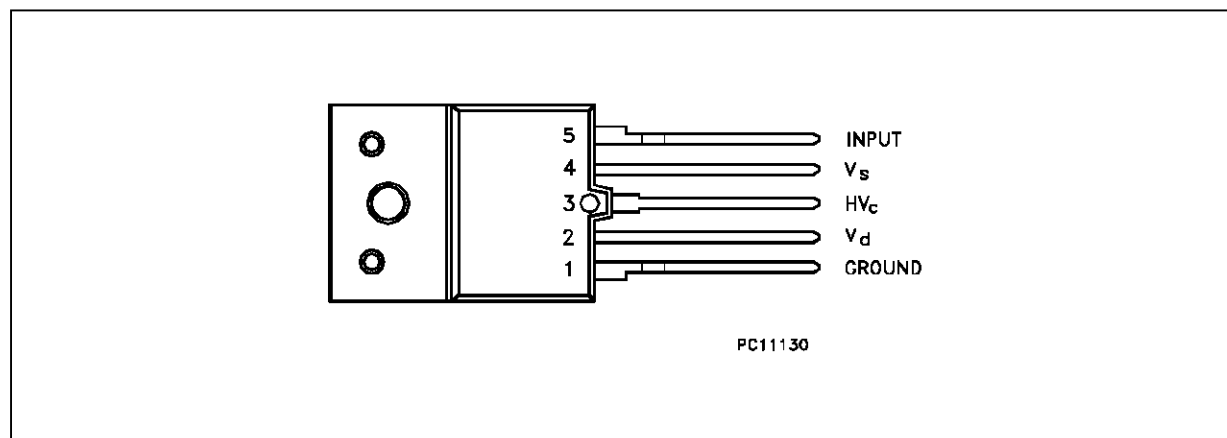
### ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATING

Symbol	Parameter	Value	Unit
$HV_C$	Collector Voltage	Internally Limited	V
$I_c$	Collector Current	Internally Limited	A
$V_d$	Driving Stage Supply Voltage	24	V
$I_d$	Driving Circuitry Supply Current	350	mA
$V_{in}$	Maximum Input Voltage	$V_s$	V
$V_s$	Control Circuitry Supply Voltage	24	V
$I_s$	Control Circuitry Supply Current	200	mA
$T_j$	Operating Junction Temperature	-40 to 150	°C
$T_{stg}$	Storage Temperature Range	-55 to 150	°C

### THERMAL DATA

$R_{thj-case}$	Thermal Resistance Junction Case (MAX)	2.5	°C/W
$R_{thj-amb}$	Thermal Resistance Junction Ambient (MAX)	30	°C/W

### PIN CONFIGURATION



### PIN FUNCTION

No	NAME	FUNCTION
1	GND	Emitter Power and Control Ground
2	$V_d$	Driver Stage Supply Voltage
3	$HV_C$	Output to The Primary Coil
4	$V_s$	Control Circuit Supply Voltage
5	INPUT	

**ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS** ( $V_b = V_{CC} = 12\text{ V}$ ;  $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ;  $V_{in} = 0.4\text{ V}$ ;  $R_S = 300\text{ }\Omega$ ;  $R_D = 50\text{ }\Omega$ ;  $R_{coil} = 500\text{ m}\Omega$ ;  $L_{coil} = 6\text{ mH}$  unless otherwise specified, see figure 1)

Symbol	Parameter	Test Conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
$V_{cl}$	High Voltage Clamp	Functional Test see figs. 3 e 4	320		460	V
$V_{ce(sat)}$	Saturation Voltage of The Power Stage	$I_c = 5\text{ A}$ ; $I_d = 40\text{ mA}$ ; $V_{in} = 5\text{ V}$ pulsed $t_{on} = 300\text{ }\mu\text{s}$ $f_{osc} = 1\text{ Hz}$		1.5	2	V
$I_{s(on)}$	Control Circuit Supply Current	$V_{in} = 4\text{ V}$		10	25	mA
$I_{s(stand-by)}$	Control Circuit Stand-by Current	$V_{in} = 0.4\text{ V}$		5	15	mA
$V_s$	Control Circuit Supply Voltage		5.6		8.5	V
$I_{d(on)}$	Driver Stage Supply Current	$V_{in} = 4\text{ V}$		150	350	mA
$I_{d(stand-by)}$	Driver Stage Stand-by Current	$V_{in} = 0.4\text{ V}$			1	mA
$V_d$	Driver Stage Supply Voltage		5		17	V
$I_{cl}$	Coil Current Limit	Functional Test see figs. 3 e 4	5.5	6	6.5	A
$V_{inH}$	High Level Input Voltage	$I_c = 5\text{ A}$	2.4		$V_s$	V
$V_{inL}$	Low Level Input Voltage	$I_c < 2\text{ mA}$ $HV_c = V_b$	0		0.8	V
$I_{inH}$	High Level Input Current	$V_{in} = 2.4\text{ V}$			100	$\mu\text{A}$
$t_s$	Storage Time	$I_c = 6\text{ A}$ see figs. 1 e 2		20	30	$\mu\text{s}$
$t_f$	Fall Time	$I_c = 6\text{ A}$ see figs. 1 e 2 & Note 1			12	$\mu\text{s}$
$E_{s/b}$	Second Breakdown Energy Clamped	$I_c = 6\text{ A}$ $V_{CC} = 12\text{ V}$	300			mJ

Note 1:  $V_{clamp} = 300\text{ V}$  externally set

### PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION

The VB020 is a high voltage, power integrated circuit with a logic level compatible input.

This part is intended for use in ignition modules or integrated into an ignition coil assembly.

The input,  $V_{in}$ , of the VB020 is fed with a logic level signal generated by an external controller or processor that determines both dwell time and ignition point. When  $V_{in}$  is high ( $>2.4\text{ V}$ ) the VB020 power output transistor conducts and a current controlled by the IC logic flows in the ignition coil.

The current is held constant at a level set internally by the P.I.C. until the ignition point, when  $V_{in}$  is driven low. During the turn-off of the transistor, the primary voltage is clamped at an

internally set value,  $V_{cl}$ . typically 400V, in case accidental secondary open circuit conditions occur.

The transition from saturation to desaturation coil current limiting phase implies a maximum overshoot of 0.85 times the supply voltage without requiring an external RC network for frequency compensation.

### OVERVOLTAGE

The VB020 can withstand the following transient on the battery line:

-120V/2msec ( $R_i = 10\text{ }\Omega$ )

100V/1msec ( $R_i = 10\text{ }\Omega$ )

50V/400msec ( $R_i = 2\text{ }\Omega$ ,  $V_{in} = 3\text{ V}$ )

Figure 1 : Test Circuit.

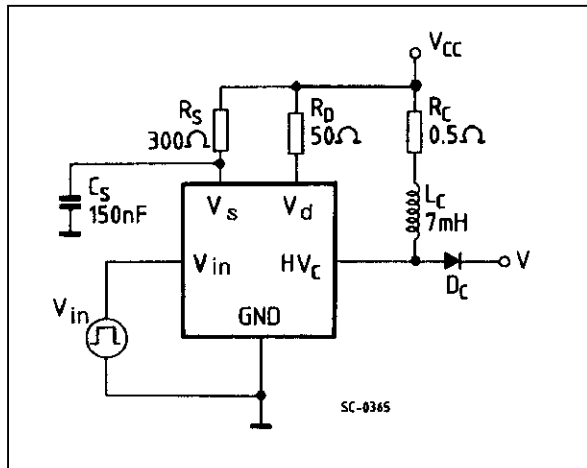


Figure 2 : Resistive Switching Waveform.

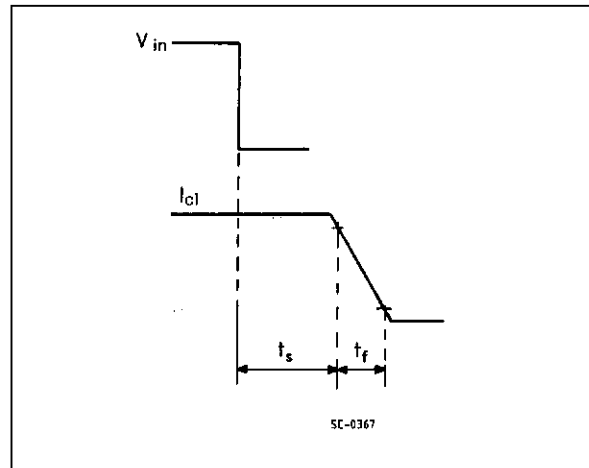
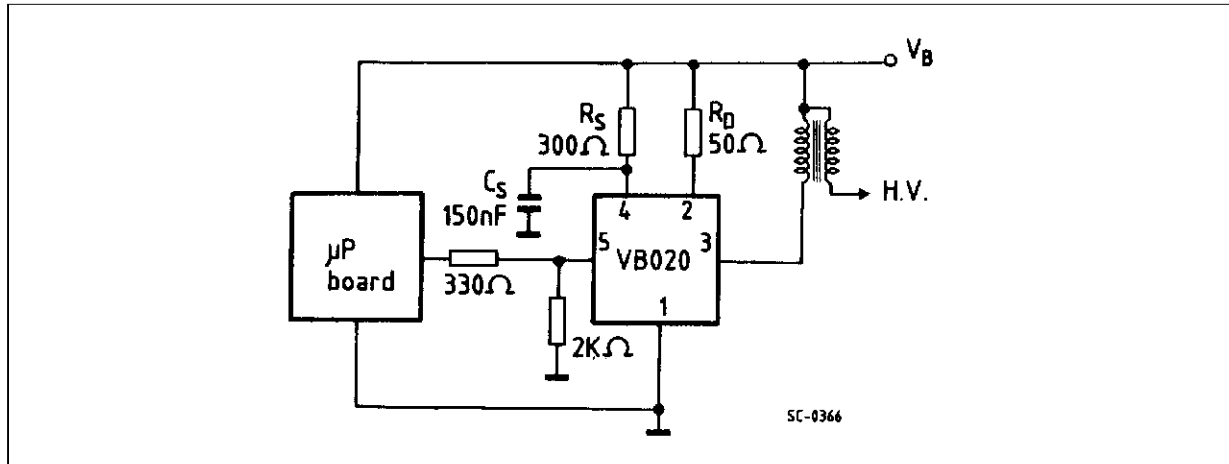
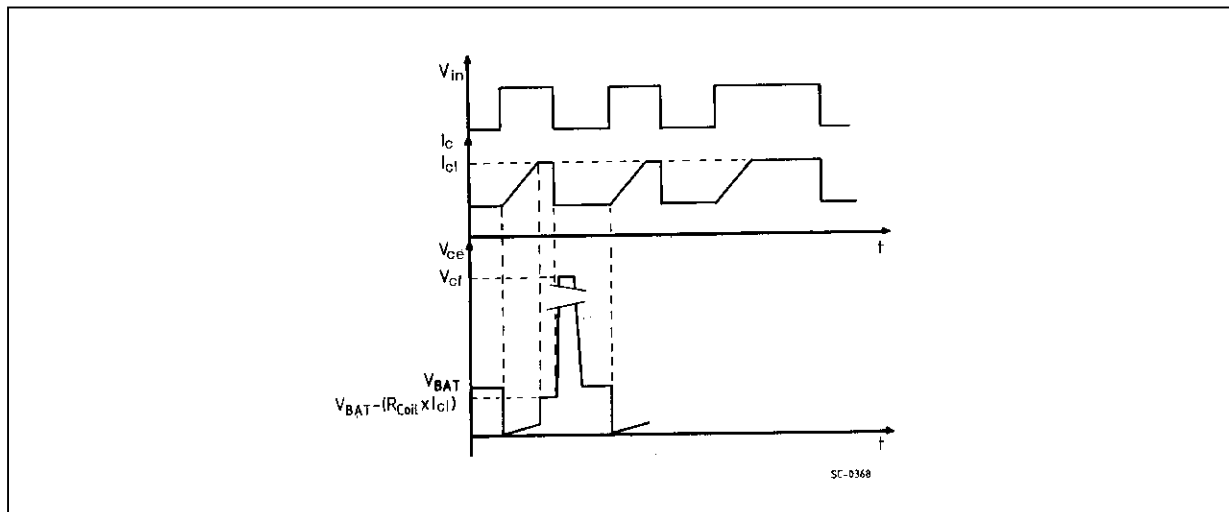


Figure 3 : Application Circuit.



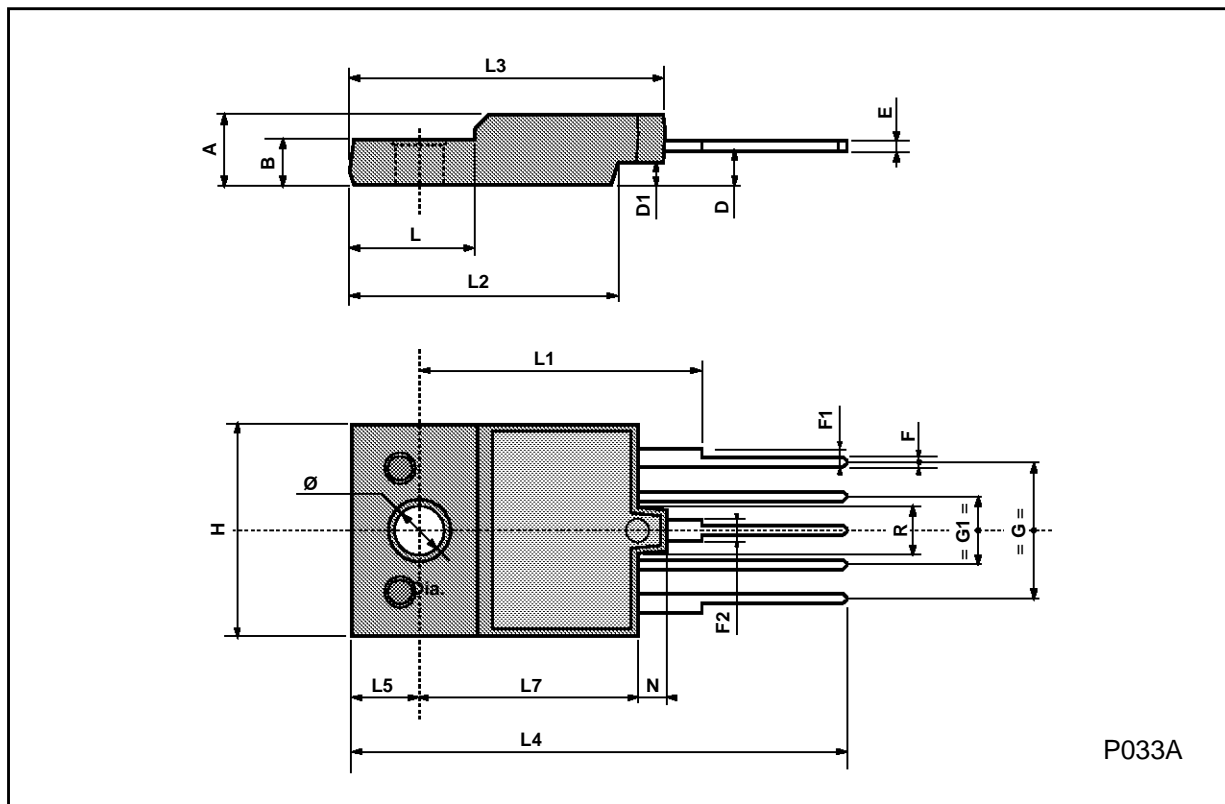
Coil data: primary resistance  $R_C = 0.4 - 0.5$  ohm.  
 primary inductance  $L_C = 6 - 8$  mH.

Figure 4: Input Voltage and Output Current Waveform.



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DIM.	mm			inch		
	MIN.	TYP.	MAX.	MIN.	TYP.	MAX.
A	5.35		5.65	0.210		0.222
B	3.3		3.8	0.130		0.149
D	2.95		3.1	0.116		0.122
D1	1.88		2.08	0.074		0.081
E	0.45		1	0.017		0.039
F	0.75		1	0.029		0.039
F1		1.5			0.059	
F2		1.3			0.051	
G		10.16			0.400	
G1		5.08			0.200	
H	15.8		16.2	0.622		0.637
L		9			0.354	
L1	20.25		20.75	0.797		0.817
L2	19.10		19.9	0.751		0.783
L3	22.8		23.6	0.897		0.929
L4	34.9		36.9	1.374		1.452
L5	4.85		5.25	0.190		0.206
L7		16			0.630	
N	2.1		2.3	0.082		0.090
R		3.1			0.122	
∅	3.5		3.7	0.138		0.145



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