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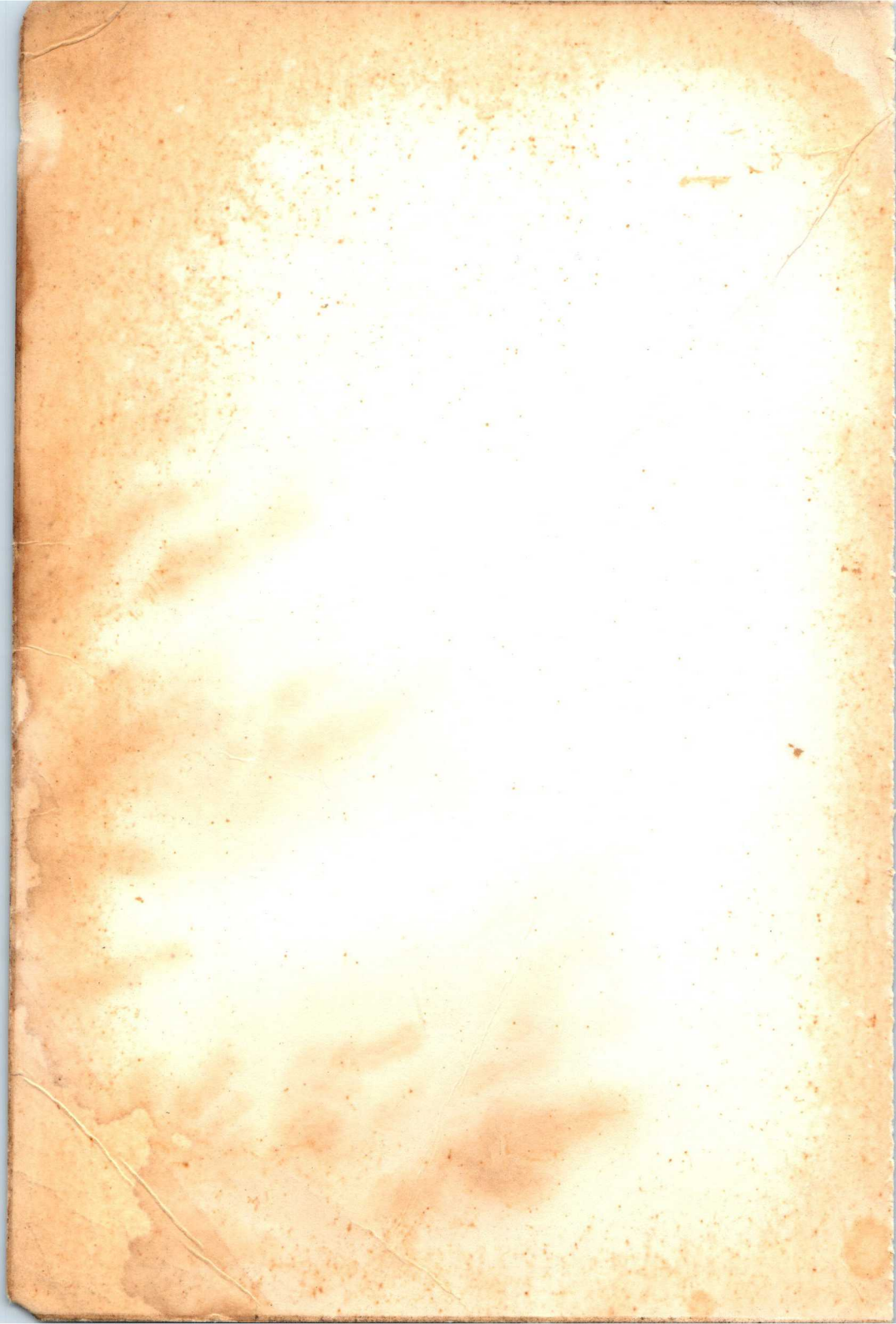
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# **Voltage stabilizing - and reference tubes**



RECOMMENDED TYPES FOR NEW EQUIPMENT

Voltage stabilizing and reference tubes



OA2  
OA2WA  
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OB2WA

## LIST OF SYMBOLS

Ignition voltage (breakdown voltage)	$V_{ign}$
Extinguishing voltage	$V_{ext}$
Maintaining voltage	$V_m$
Regulation voltage	$V_r$
Jump voltage	$V_j$
Noise voltage	$V_n$
Average cathode current	$I_k$
Cathode starting current	$I_{ko}$
Incremental resistance	$r_a$
Tube impedance	$z_a$
Bulb or envelope temperature	$t_{bulb}$
Temperature coefficient of maintaining voltage	$\frac{\Delta V_m}{\Delta t_{bulb}}$
Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$
Shunt capacitance	$C_p$

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# GENERAL OPERATIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS VOLTAGE STABILIZING AND VOLTAGE REFERENCE TUBES

## 1. GENERAL

- 1.1 A voltage stabilizing tube is a glow discharge tube designed to have a maintaining voltage which is substantially constant over the current operating range.
- 1.2 A voltage reference tube is a glow discharge tube designed to have a constant maintaining voltage with time at fixed values of current and temperature.
- 1.3 The limiting values of voltage stabilizing and voltage reference tubes are given in the absolute maximum rating system.
- 1.4 Dimensions are given in mm.

## 2. OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS

### 2.1 Ignition

#### 2.1.1 Ignition voltage (breakdown voltage) symbol $V_{ign}$

The ignition voltage is the voltage at which breakdown occurs. (See Breakdown)

Normally a tube will ignite at a voltage somewhat lower than the figure quoted, but the latter should always be the minimum available to ensure ignition of all tubes.

#### 2.1.2 Breakdown

Breakdown is a runaway increase in electrode (cathode) current following the moment of highest voltage between the electrodes considered.

At some types the breakdown may occur at a lower voltage than the published maintaining voltage.

See also "Cathode current".

#### 2.1.3 Ignition delay (breakdown delay)

The ignition delay is the time interval between the application of a direct voltage to the anode-cathode gap and the establishment of a self sustaining discharge in that gap.

The ignition delay of certain types is affected by ambient light. In darkness the delay is maximum.

## 2.2 Maintaining voltage (Symbol $V_m$ )

The maintaining voltage is the anode voltage with the tube conducting within the current range stated.

It is measured at the conditions stated in the data and will vary with current, temperature and time. In the presence of noise, the average is taken.

## 2.3 Regulation voltage (Symbol $V_r$ )

The regulation voltage is the difference between the maximum and the minimum maintaining voltages within a specified cathode current range.

This is normally measured over the full current range of the tube at the temperature specified.

## 2.4 Stability (Symbol $\Delta V_m$ )

The change in maintaining voltage during life is a measure of the stability of the tube.

Changes due to variations in tube current and temperature are excluded.

## 2.5 Temperature coefficient of maintaining voltage (Symbol $\frac{\Delta V_m}{\Delta t_{bulb}}$ )

The temperature coefficient of maintaining voltage is the quotient of the change of maintaining voltage by the change of bulb temperature.

The value quoted is normally an average value which applies over the temperature range stated.

## 2.6 Extinguishing voltage (Symbol $V_{ext}$ )

The extinguishing voltage is the anode voltage at which the discharge ceases when the supply voltage is decreasing.

## 2.7 Noise voltage (Symbol $V_n$ )

### 2.7.1 Random noise voltage

This particular noise voltage is random in nature and similar to thermal noise. It is normally quoted as the r.m.s. voltage measured over a specified frequency range.

### 2.7.2 Oscillation noise voltage

An oscillation noise voltage is a voltage which is generated within the tube and which has a major component at one frequency.

It occurs in certain tube types, and then only over a restricted current range.

### 2.7.3 Vibration noise voltage

The vibration noise voltage is the noise output voltage resulting from sinusoidal vibration of the tube.

Where this information is given it is for guidance only, and it is not recommended that the tube be operated under these conditions for long periods.

### 2.7.4 Microphonic noise voltage

The microphonic noise voltage is the noise output voltage caused by mechanical excitation due to a single blow.

### 2.8 Voltage jump (Symbol $V_j$ )

A voltage jump is an abrupt change or discontinuity in maintaining voltage that may occur during operation and is not due to the "incremental resistance".

### 2.9 Cathode current (Symbol $I_k$ )

#### 2.9.1 Minimum cathode current

The minimum cathode current is the current below which operation will result in deterioration of the performance of the tube.

#### 2.9.2 Maximum cathode current

The maximum cathode current is that instantaneous value which should not be exceeded during normal operation of the tube.  
When a tube is switched on, this value may be exceeded. (See starting current.)

#### 2.9.3 Preferred current

The preferred current is that current at which maximum stability may be expected.

#### 2.9.4 Starting current (Symbol $I_{k0}$ )

The starting current is the current immediately after ignition.  
The maximum permissible value and duration are given in the data.

### 2.10 Incremental resistance (Symbol $r_a$ )

The incremental resistance is the slope of the  $V_m/I_k$  characteristic.  
This is measured at a specified current and temperature and voltage jumps are ignored.

### 2.11 Tube impedance (Symbol $z_a$ )

The tube impedance of the anode-cathode gap for the a.c. component of the cathode current.

This is measured at a specified d.c. cathode current, on which a sinusoidal current of specified amplitude and frequency is superimposed.

## 2.12 Bulb temperature (Symbol $t_{\text{bulb}}$ )

The bulb temperature shall be taken as the temperature of the hottest part of the tube envelope, whether due to internal or external causes. In the interest of stability, the bulb temperature should be kept as close to room temperature as possible.

## 2.13 Shunt capacitor (Symbol $C_p$ )

In order to avoid relaxation oscillations and to reduce transient current at starting the value of the capacitor should be made as small as possible and should not exceed the specified value.

# 3. MOUNTING

## 3.1 Mounting position

If no restrictions are made on the individual published data sheet, the tube may be mounted in any position.

## 3.2 Tube pins and sockets

Many small glass-base tubes employ semi-rigid pins. It is necessary to ensure that these pins are straight before insertion into the socket.

It is recommended both in wired and in printed circuits that sockets with floating contacts be used. After the socket has been wired or soldered in, the socket contacts should be in the correct position to receive a tube.

## 3.3 Pins marked i.c.

When a pin is marked i.c., no connection should be made to the corresponding socket tag.

## 3.4 Flexible leads

Tubes having flexible leads do not normally employ plug-in sockets and it is usually necessary to secure them in position solely by means of the bulb. Any such support should not cause undue stress to be placed on the flexible leads themselves.

Attention should also be given to the effect this mounting may have upon the bulb temperature. Subminiature and smaller types can generally be mounted with the leads only.

### 3.4.1 Soldering

Where tubes are designed for soldering into the circuit, care must be taken to avoid bending the leads sharply closer than 2 mm to the base. Precautions should be taken during soldering to ensure that the glass temperature at the seal will not rise excessively. One simple method is to clamp a thermal shunt to the wire between the glass and the point being soldered. In any case the wire should not be soldered closer than 5 mm from the seals or as specified in the published data.



#### 4. OPERATIONAL NOTES

##### 4.1 Basic circuit

To ensure reliable operation under all operating conditions the following conditions should be observed: (See fig.1).

1. The current  $I_k$  should not drop below the published permissible limit  $I_k \text{ min.}$
2. The published  $I_k \text{ max.}$  should not be exceeded (except at switching on).
3. Ignition must be ensured under the most unfavourable conditions.

In general  $I_k$  may be expressed as:

$$I_k = \frac{V_b - V_m}{R_1} - I_L$$

Under the most unfavourable conditions, condition 1 is satisfied if:

$$R_1 < \frac{V_b \text{ min.} - V_m \text{ max.}}{I_k \text{ min.} + I_L \text{ max.}} \cdot \frac{1}{1 + p/100}$$

The max. current  $I_k \text{ max.}$  is most likely to be exceeded at the highest value of  $V_b (= V_b \text{ max.})$ , a tube with the lowest maintaining voltage  $V_m \text{ min.}$  and when the load current has the lowest value  $I_L \text{ min.}$

$$R_1 > \frac{V_b \text{ max.} - V_m \text{ min.}}{I_k \text{ max.} + I_L \text{ min.}} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - p/100}$$

To ensure ignition:

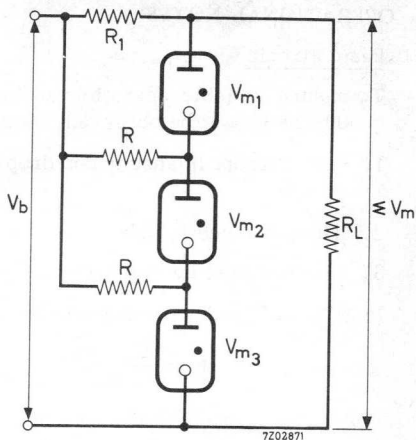
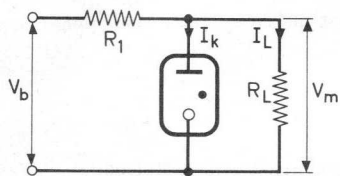
$$V_b \cdot \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_L} > V_{\text{ign max.}}$$

or under the most unfavourable operating conditions

$$R_1 < R_L \left( \frac{V_b \text{ min.}}{V_{\text{ign max.}}} - 1 \right) \cdot \frac{1}{1 + p/100}$$

In these formulae the signification of the symbols is the following:

$V_b \text{ min.}$	Minimum applied supply voltage
$V_b \text{ max.}$	Maximum applied supply voltage
$V_m \text{ min.}$	Minimum published maintaining voltage
$V_m \text{ max.}$	Maximum published maintaining voltage
$I_k \text{ min.}$	Minimum published cathode current
$I_k \text{ max.}$	Maximum published cathode current
$I_L \text{ min.}$	Minimum load current
$I_L \text{ max.}$	Maximum load current
p	Tolerance of resistor $R_1$ (% in absolute value)
$V_{\text{ign max.}}$	Maximum ignition voltage



#### 4.2 Series operation

Series operation of tubes is permitted.

If different types of tubes are connected in series care must be taken to ensure that the current falls within the permitted limits of all tubes.

The minimum supply voltage  $V_b$  necessary for ignition of all tubes in the series chain is  $V_{\text{ign max.}} + (n-1) V_{m \text{ max.}}$ , provided that a resistor  $R$  is connected across one or more of the tubes (See fig.2). These resistors should have a value of the order of 100 k $\Omega$  to 1 M $\Omega$ .

#### 4.3 Parallel operation

It is not advisable to connect stabilizers in parallel because of the difficulty of ensuring equal current distribution.

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## **RATING SYSTEM**

**( in accordance with I.E.C. publication 134 )**

### **Absolute maximum rating system**

Absolute maximum ratings are limiting values of operating and environmental conditions applicable to any electronic device of a specified type as defined by its published data, which should not be exceeded under the worst probable conditions.

These values are chosen by the device manufacturer to provide acceptable serviceability of the device, taking no responsibility for equipment variations, environmental variations, and the effects of changes in operating conditions due to variations in the characteristics of the device under consideration and of all other electronic devices in the equipment.

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# RATING SYSTEM

In accordance with IEC Publication 134

## Absolute maximum rating

When the maximum rating is exceeded, the equipment may be damaged or destroyed. The maximum rating is the value of a parameter which, if exceeded, will result in the worst probable condition.

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## VOLTAGE STABILIZING TUBE

150 volts gas-filled voltage stabilizing tube with a current range of 5 to 30 mA.

QUICK REFERENCE DATA	
Regulation voltage ( $I_k = 5$ to 30 mA)	$V_r = 2$ V
Incremental resistance ( $I_k = 20$ mA)	$r_a = 80$ $\Omega$

### CHARACTERISTICS AND RANGE VALUES at $t_{amb} = 25$ °C. <sup>1)</sup>

Limits applicable to all tubes (initial values)

Ignition voltage	$V_{ign} = \text{max.}$	180 V
Maintaining voltage at $I_k = 17.5$ mA	$V_m = 144$ to	160 V
Regulation voltage at $I_k = 5$ to 30 mA	$V_r = \text{max.}$	6 V

### LIMITING VALUES (Absolute maximum rating system)

Cathode current	$I_k = \text{min.}$	5 mA
	$= \text{max.}$	30 mA
Starting current	$I_{kp} = \text{max.}$	75 mA <sup>2)</sup>
Negative peak anode voltage	$-V_{ap} = \text{max.}$	125 V
Ambient temperature	$= \text{min.}$	-55 °C
	$= \text{max.}$	+90 °C

### CIRCUIT DESIGN VALUES

Minimum voltage necessary for ignition	$V_a = \text{min.}$	185 V <sup>3)</sup>
Shunt capacitor	$C_p = \text{max.}$	0.1 $\mu\text{F}$

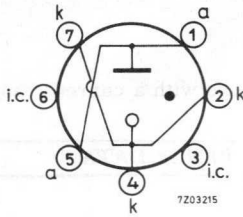
<sup>1)</sup> Thermal equilibrium is reached within 3 minutes of igniting the tube.

<sup>2)</sup> To be restricted for long life to approximately 10 s. Normal operation should be continued for at least 20 m after passing this current.

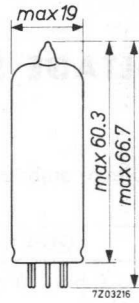
<sup>3)</sup> This value holds good over life.

DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Base: 7 pin miniature



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7Z03216



## VOLTAGE STABILIZING TUBE

150 volts gas-filled voltage stabilizing tube with a current range of 5 to 30 mA. The OA2WA is shock and vibration resistant.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Regulation voltage ( $I_k = 5$ to 30 mA)	$V_R = 2$ V
Incremental resistance ( $I_k = 20$ mA)	$r_a = 80$ $\Omega$

### CHARACTERISTICS AND RANGE VALUES at $t_{amb} = 25$ °C <sup>1)</sup>

#### Limits applicable to all tubes (initial values)

Ignition voltage	$V_{ign} = \text{max. } 165$ V
Maintaining voltage at $I_k = 5$ to 30 mA	$V_m = 144$ to 153 V
Regulation voltage at $I_k = 5$ to 30 mA	$V_R = \text{max. } 5$ V

#### Typical limits (initial values)

Incremental resistance at $I_k = 20$ mA	$r_a = \text{max. } 200$ $\Omega$
Jump voltage at $I_k = 5$ to 30 mA	$V_j = \text{max. } 600$ mV
Vibration noise voltage $I_k = 20$ mA, $R_a = 10$ k $\Omega$ , $g = 2.5$ , $f = 25$ Hz	$V_n = \text{max. } 100$ mV
Leakage current $V = 50$ V, $R_a = 3$ k $\Omega$	$I_{isol} = \text{max. } 5$ $\mu$ A

#### Life performance

For continuous operation at  $I_k = 20$  mA and at room temperature.

Typical maximum variation in maintaining voltage 0 to 1 hour	$\Delta V_m = \text{max. } 2$ V
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<sup>1)</sup> Thermal equilibrium is reached within 3 minutes of igniting the tube.

## Life performance (continued)

For operation at  $I_k = 20$  mA and  $t_{bulb} = 150$  °C

Maintaining voltage at  $I_k = 5$  to 30 mA

0 to 500 hours  $V_m = 142$  to 155 V

0 to 1000 hours  $V_m = 140$  to 158 V

Typical maximum variation in maintaining voltage at  $I_k = 20$  mA

0 to 500 hours  $\Delta V_m = \text{max. } 6$  V

0 to 1000 hours  $\Delta V_m = \text{max. } 8$  V

Typical maximum regulation voltage

0 to 500 hours  $V_r = \text{max. } 6$  V

0 to 1000 hours  $V_r = \text{max. } 8$  V

## **SHOCK AND VIBRATION RESISTANCE**

These conditions are used solely to assess the mechanical quality of the tube. The tube should not be continuously operated under these conditions.

Shock resistance: 900 g

Forces as applied by the NRL impact machine for electronic devices caused by 5 blows of the hammer lifted over an angle of 60 ° in each of 4 different positions of the tube.

Vibration resistance: 2.5 g peak

Vibrational forces for a period of 32 hours at a frequency of 50 Hz in each of 3 directions of the tube.

## **LIMITING VALUES (Absolute max. rating system)**

Cathode current	$I_k$	= min. 5 mA
		= max. 30 mA
Starting current	$I_{k_p}$	= max. 75 mA <sup>1)</sup>
Negative peak anode voltage	$-V_{ap}$	= max. 125 V
Temperature during operation	$t_{amb}$	= min. -55 °C
	$t_{bulb}$	= max. 150 °C
Altitude	$h$	= max. 36 km

<sup>1)</sup> To be restricted for long life to approximately 10 s. Normal operation should be continued for at least 20 min. after passing this current.



**CIRCUIT DESIGN VALUES**

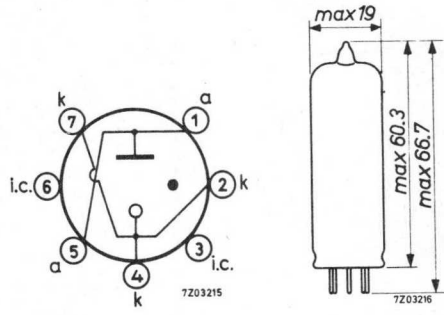
Minimum voltage necessary for ignition  
 Shunt capacitor

$$V_a = \text{min. } 165 \text{ V } ^1)$$

$$C_p = \text{max. } 0.1 \text{ } \mu\text{F}$$

**DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS**

Base: 7 pin miniature



<sup>1)</sup> This value holds good over life.

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## VOLTAGE STABILIZING TUBE

108 volts gas-filled voltage stabilizing tube with a current range of 5 to 30 mA.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Regulation voltage ( $I_k = 5$ to $30$ mA)	$V_r = 2$ V
Incremental resistance ( $I_k = 20$ mA)	$r_a = 80$ $\Omega$

### CHARACTERISTICS AND RANGE VALUES at $t_{amb} = 25$ °C. <sup>1)</sup>

Limits applicable to all tubes (initial values)

Ignition voltage	$V_{ign} = \text{max.}$	127 V
Maintaining voltage at $I_k = 17.5$ mA	$V_m = 106$ to	111 V
Regulation voltage at $I_k = 5$ to $30$ mA	$V_r = \text{max.}$	3.5 V

### Life performance

Typical maximum variation in maintaining voltage.

For continuous operation at  $I_k = 17.5$  mA

0 to 500 hours	$\Delta V_m = \text{max.}$	4 V
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### LIMITING VALUES (Absolute maximum rating system)

Cathode current	$I_k = \text{min.}$	5 mA
	$= \text{max.}$	30 mA
Starting current	$I_{kp} = \text{max.}$	75 mA <sup>2)</sup>
Negative peak anode voltage	$-V_{ap} = \text{max.}$	75 V
Ambient temperature	$t_{amb} = \text{min.}$	-55 °C
	$= \text{max.}$	+90 °C

<sup>1)</sup> Thermal equilibrium is reached within 3 minutes of igniting the tube.

<sup>2)</sup> To be restricted for long life to approximately 30 s once or twice in each 8 hours use.

**CIRCUIT DESIGN VALUES**

Minimum voltage necessary for ignition

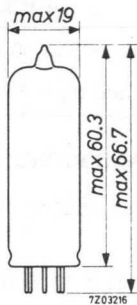
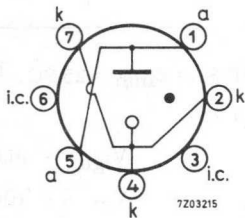
$$V_a = \text{min. } 133 \text{ V } ^3)$$

Shunt capacitor

$$C_p = \text{max. } 0.1 \text{ } \mu\text{F}$$

**DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS**

Base: 7 pin miniature



<sup>3)</sup> This value holds good over life.

## VOLTAGE STABILIZING TUBE

108 volts gas-filled voltage stabilizing tube with a current range of 5 to 30 mA. The OB2WA is shock and vibration resistant.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Regulation voltage ( $I_k = 5$ to 30 mA)	$V_r = 2$ V
Incremental resistance ( $I_k = 20$ mA)	$r_a = 80$ $\Omega$

### CHARACTERISTICS AND RANGE VALUES at $t_{amb} = 25$ °C <sup>1)</sup>

#### Limits applicable to all tubes (initial values)

Ignition voltage	$V_{ign} = \text{max. } 130$ V
Maintaining voltage at $I_k = 5$ to 30 mA	$V_m = 105$ to 111 V
Regulation voltage at $I_k = 5$ to 30 mA	$V_r = \text{max. } 2.5$ V

#### Typical limits (initial values)

Incremental resistance at $I_k = 20$ mA	$r_a = \text{max. } 120$ $\Omega$
Jump voltage at $I_k = 5$ to 30 mA	$V_j = \text{max. } 100$ mV
Vibration noise voltage $I_k = 20$ mA, $R_a = 10$ k $\Omega$ , $g = 2.5$ , $f = 25$ Hz	$V_n = \text{max. } 100$ mV
Leakage current $V = 50$ V, $R_a = 3$ k $\Omega$	$I_{isol} = \text{max. } 5$ $\mu$ A

#### Life performance

For continuous operation at  $I_k = 20$  mA and at room temperature.

Typical maximum variation in maintaining voltage 0 to 1 hour	$\Delta V_m = \text{max. } 2$ V
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<sup>1)</sup> Thermal equilibrium is reached within 3 minutes of igniting the tube.

Life performance (continued)

For operation at  $I_k = 20 \text{ mA}$  and  $t_{\text{bulb}} = 150 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

Maintaining voltage at  $I_k = 5 \text{ to } 30 \text{ mA}$

0 to 500 hours	$V_m = 103 \text{ to } 113 \text{ V}$
0 to 1000 hours	$V_m = 103 \text{ to } 116 \text{ V}$

Typical maximum variation in maintaining voltage at  $I_k = 20 \text{ mA}$

0 to 500 hours	$\Delta V_m = \text{max. } 4 \text{ V}$
0 to 1000 hours	$\Delta V_m = \text{max. } 5 \text{ V}$

Typical maximum regulation voltage

0 to 500 hours	$V_r = \text{max. } 3 \text{ V}$
0 to 1000 hours	$V_r = \text{max. } 4 \text{ V}$

**SHOCK AND VIBRATION RESISTANCE**

These conditions are used solely to assess the mechanical quality of the tube. The tube should not be continuously operated under these conditions.

Shock resistance: 900 g

Forces as applied by the NRL impact machine for electronic devices caused by 5 blows of the hammer lifted over an angle of  $60^\circ$  in each of 4 different positions of the tube.

Vibration resistance: 2.5 g peak

Vibrational forces for a period of 32 hours at a frequency of 50 Hz in each of 3 directions of the tube.

**LIMITING VALUES (Absolute max. rating system)**

Cathode current	$I_k = \text{min. } 5 \text{ mA}$ $\phantom{I_k} = \text{max. } 30 \text{ mA}$
Starting current	$I_{k_p} = \text{max. } 75 \text{ mA } ^1)$
Negative peak anode voltage	$-V_{a_p} = \text{max. } 75 \text{ V}$
Temperature during operation	$t_{\text{amb}} = \text{min. } -55 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ $t_{\text{bulb}} = \text{max. } 150 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

<sup>1)</sup> To be restricted for long life to approximately 10 s. Normal operation should be continued for at least 20 min. after passing this current.

## CIRCUIT DESIGN VALUES

Minimum voltage necessary for ignition

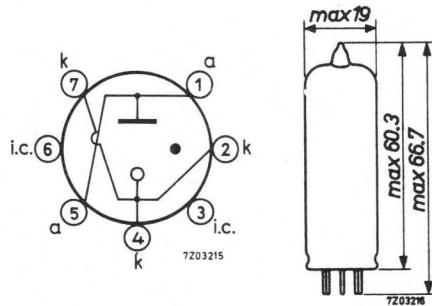
$$V_a = \text{min. } 130 \text{ V } ^1)$$

Shunt capacitor

$$C_p = \text{max. } 0.1 \text{ } \mu\text{F}$$

## DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Base: 7 pin miniature



<sup>1)</sup> This value holds good over life.

CIRCUIT DESIGN VALUES

Maximum voltage necessary for the  
circuit capacitor

$V_{max} = 1.0 \times 10^4$

DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Lead length





## VOLTAGE REFERENCE TUBE

81 volts gas-filled voltage reference tube. The ZZ 1000 is shock and vibration resistant.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Preferred cathode current	$I_k = 3.2 \text{ mA}$
Maintaining voltage	$V_m = 81 \text{ V}$
Incremental resistance	$r_a = 200 \text{ } \Omega$
Temperature coefficient of maintaining voltage averaged over the range +20 to +125 °C	$\frac{\Delta V_m}{\Delta t_{\text{bulb}}} = -1.2 \text{ mV/}^\circ\text{C}$
averaged over the range -55 to +20 °C	$\frac{\Delta V_m}{\Delta t_{\text{bulb}}} = -3.2 \text{ mV/}^\circ\text{C}$

### CHARACTERISTICS AND RANGE VALUES at $t_{\text{amb}} = 20 \text{ to } 30 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . 1)

Limits applicable to all tubes (initial values)

Ignition voltage	$V_{\text{ign}} = \text{max. } 115 \text{ V}$
Maintaining voltage at $I_k = 3.2 \text{ mA}$	$V_m = 80.1 \text{ to } 82.5 \text{ V } ^3)$
Incremental resistance	$r_a = \text{max. } 400 \text{ } \Omega$

Typical limits (initial values)

Jump voltage at $I_k = 2.0 \text{ to } 4.0 \text{ mA}$	$V_j = \text{max. } 100 \text{ mV } ^2)$
Ignition delay in darkness at $V_b = 115 \text{ V}$	$= \text{max. } 5 \text{ ms}$
Tube impedance at $I_k = 2.7 \text{ to } 3.7 \text{ mA}$ sinusoidal variation with 50 Hz	$z_a = \text{max. } 400 \text{ } \Omega$

1) Thermal equilibrium is reached within 2 minutes of igniting the tube.

2) To avoid jump voltages over life, current variations around the preferred current should be limited to 0.3 mA.

3) The maintaining voltage after each ignition may differ from the forgoing one but remains within the limits stated. To minimize this effect the tube should be shunted by a series circuit comprising a resistor and a capacitor (approx. 1 k $\Omega$  and 330 nF).

**CHARACTERISTICS AND RANGE VALUES (continued)**

Typical limits (initial values) (continued)

Noise voltages

oscillation + random at  $I_k = 2$  to  $4$  mA  
 frequency band  $10$  Hz to  $10$  kHz  $V_n = \text{max.} \quad 1 \text{ mV}$

vibration at  $I_k = 3.2$  mA,  $g = 2.5$   $g_p$   
 $f = 10$  to  $50$  Hz, frequency band  
 $1$  to  $100$  Hz  $V_n = \text{max.} \quad 100 \text{ mV}$

Temperature coefficient of maintaining  
 voltage at  $I_k = 3.2$  mA  $\frac{\Delta V_m}{\Delta t_{\text{bulb}}} = \text{max.} \quad -2 \text{ mV}/^\circ\text{C}$   
 averaged over the range  $+20$  to  $+125$   $^\circ\text{C}$   
 averaged over the range  $-55$  to  $+20$   $^\circ\text{C}$   $\frac{\Delta V_m}{\Delta t_{\text{bulb}}} = \text{max.} \quad -4 \text{ mV}/^\circ\text{C}$

Life performance

Typical maximum variation in maintaining voltage

For continuous operation at preferred current

Bulb temperature  $t_{\text{bulb}} = \quad 45 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$   
 0 to 100 hours  $\Delta V_m = \quad 0.3 \text{ V}$   
 0 to 2000 hours  $\Delta V_m = \quad 0.7 \text{ V}$

For storage and stand-by

Bulb temperature  $t_{\text{bulb}} = \quad 25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$   
 0 to 2000 hours  $\Delta V_m = \quad 0.3 \text{ V}$

**SHOCK AND VIBRATION RESISTANCE**

These conditions are used solely to assess the mechanical quality of the tube.  
 The tube should not be continuously operated under these conditions.

Shock resistance: 500 g

Forces as applied by the NRL impact machine for electronic devices caused by  
 5 blows of the hammer lifted over an angle of  $30^\circ$  in each of 4 different posi-  
 tions of the tube.

Vibration resistance: 2.5 g peak

Vibrational forces for a period of 32 hours at a frequency of 50 Hz in each of  
 3 directions of the tube.

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute maximum rating system)

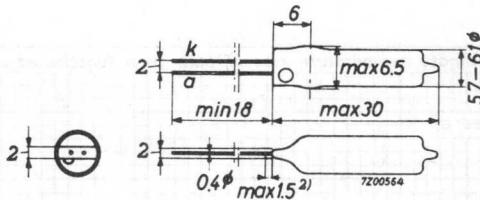
Cathode current	$I_k$	= max.	4.0 mA <sup>1)</sup>
		= min.	2.0 mA
Starting current, $T_{max.} = 20$ s	$I_{k_p}$	= max.	20 mA
Negative peak anode voltage	$-V_{a_p}$	= max.	100 V
Bulb temperature			
during operation	$t_{bulb}$	= min.	-55 °C
		= max.	+125 °C
during storage and stand-by	$t_{bulb}$	= min.	-55 °C
		= max.	+100 °C

**CIRCUIT DESIGN VALUES**

Minimum voltage to ensure ignition	$V_a$	= min.	120 V
Shunt capacitor	$C_p$	= max.	30 nF

**DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS**

Glass dot indicates anode lead



**MOUNTING**

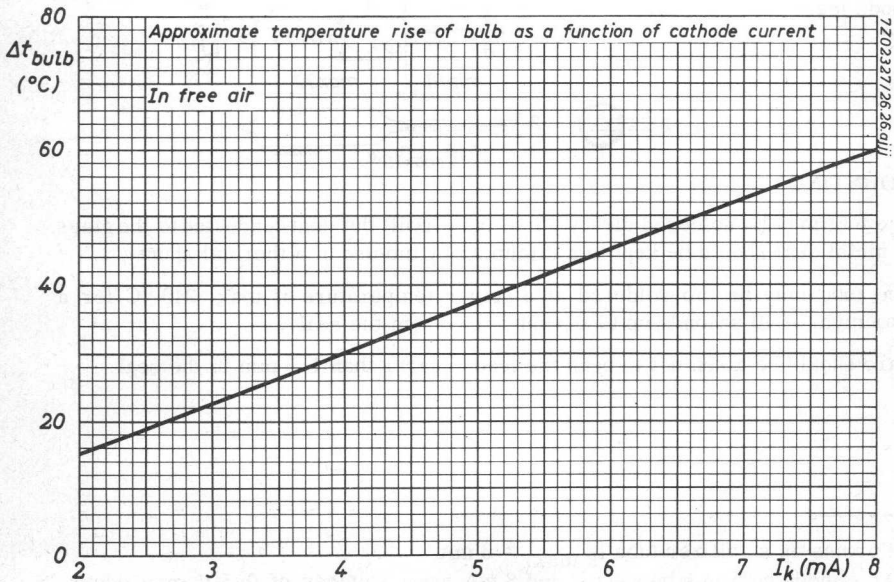
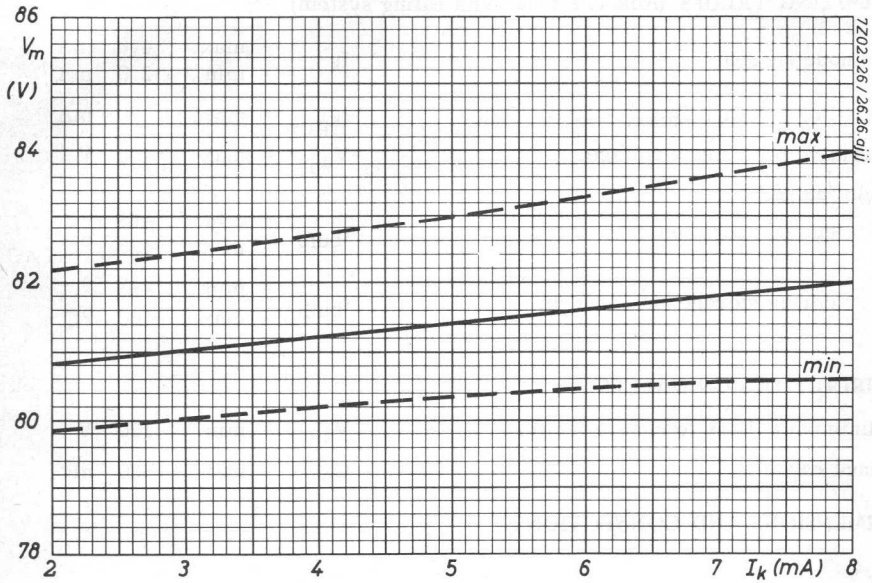
The tube may be soldered directly into the circuit but heat conducted to the glass to metal seal should be kept to a minimum by the use of a thermal shunt.

The tube may be dip-soldered at a solder temperature of max. 240 °C for a maximum of 10 seconds up to a point 5 mm from the seal.

Care should be taken not to bend the leads nearer than 1.5 mm to the seal.

<sup>1)</sup>For use as stabilizer tube  $I_{k_{max.}} = 8$  mA  
 At cathode currents between 2 and 8 mA jump voltages of 0.5 V may occur.

<sup>2)</sup>Max. 1.5 mm not tinned.



## VOLTAGE STABILIZING TUBE

78 volts gas-filled voltage stabilizing tube with a current range of 2 to 60 mA.

QUICK REFERENCE DATA	
Regulation voltage ( $I_k = 2$ to 60 mA)	$V_r = 5 \text{ V}$
Incremental resistance	$r_a = 130 \ \Omega$
Temperature coefficient of maintaining voltage averaged over the range 25 to 90 °C	
$I_k = 30 \text{ mA}$	$\frac{\Delta V_m}{\Delta t_{\text{bulb}}} = -8.3 \text{ mV}/^\circ\text{C}$
$I_k = 10 \text{ mA}$	$\frac{\Delta V_m}{\Delta t_{\text{bulb}}} = -1.8 \text{ mV}/^\circ\text{C}$

### CHARACTERISTICS AND RANGE VALUES at $t_{\text{amb}} = 25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ <sup>1)</sup>

#### Limits applicable to all tubes (initial values)

Ignition voltage	$V_{\text{ign}} = \text{max. } 115 \text{ V}$
Maintaining voltage at $I_k = 30 \text{ mA}$	$V_m = 75 \text{ to } 81 \text{ V}$
Regulation voltage at $I_k = 2$ to 60 mA	$V_r = \text{max. } 8 \text{ V}^2)$

#### Typical limits (initial values)

Incremental resistance at $I_k = 10 \text{ mA}$ to 60 mA	$r_a = \text{max. } 200 \ \Omega$
Jump voltage at $I_k = 2$ to 20 mA	$V_j = \text{max. } 100 \text{ mV}$
at $I_k = 20$ to 60 mA	$V_j = \text{max. } 15 \text{ mV}$
Cathode current above which the incremental resistance is positive	$I_k = \text{max. } 7 \text{ mA}$

<sup>1)</sup> Thermal equilibrium is reached within 3 minutes of igniting the tube.

<sup>2)</sup> Following a sudden change in the tube current the regulation voltage may be up to 2.5 V greater than that given until tube thermal equilibrium is re-established.

## CHARACTERISTICS AND RANGE VALUES (continued)

Life performance

Typical maximum regulation voltage and range of variation in maintaining voltage.

For continuous operation at  $I_k = 30 \text{ mA}$  and  $t_{\text{bulb}} = 60 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

0 to 1000 hours	$\Delta V_m$	= max.	-0.2 to +0.9 %
0 to 10 000 hours	$\Delta V_m$	= max.	-0.2 to +1.0 %
0 to 30 000 hours	$\Delta V_m$	= max.	-0.2 to +1.2 %
Regulation voltage after 30 000 hours	$V_r$	= max.	6.5 V

For continuous operation at  $I_k = 60 \text{ mA}$  and  $t_{\text{bulb}} = 90 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

0 to 1000 hours	$\Delta V_m$	= max.	-0.7 to +1.2 %
0 to 10 000 hours	$\Delta V_m$	= max.	-0.7 to +1.4 %
0 to 30 000 hours	$\Delta V_m$	= max.	-0.7 to +2.0 %
Regulation voltage after 30 000 hours	$V_r$	= max.	6.5 V

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Cathode current	$I_k$	= min.	2 mA
		= max.	60 mA
Starting current	$I_{kp}$	= max.	100 mA <sup>1)</sup>
Negative peak anode voltage	$-V_{ap}$	= max.	50 V
Bulb temperature	$t_{\text{bulb}}$	= min.	-55 $^\circ\text{C}$
		= max.	+140 $^\circ\text{C}$ <sup>2)</sup>
during storage	$t_{\text{bulb}}$	= min.	-55 $^\circ\text{C}$
		= max.	+70 $^\circ\text{C}$

1) To be restricted for long life to approximately 30 s once or twice in each 8 hours use.

2) Temperature rise of bulb above ambient approx. 40  $^\circ\text{C}$  at  $I_k = 30 \text{ mA}$  and approx. 70  $^\circ\text{C}$  at  $I_k = 60 \text{ mA}$ .

The tube will operate satisfactorily at bulb temperature up to 140  $^\circ\text{C}$  provided the tube is not used at either extreme of the current range.

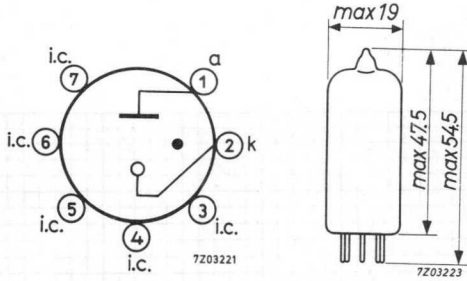
## CIRCUIT DESIGN VALUES

Minimum voltage necessary for ignition

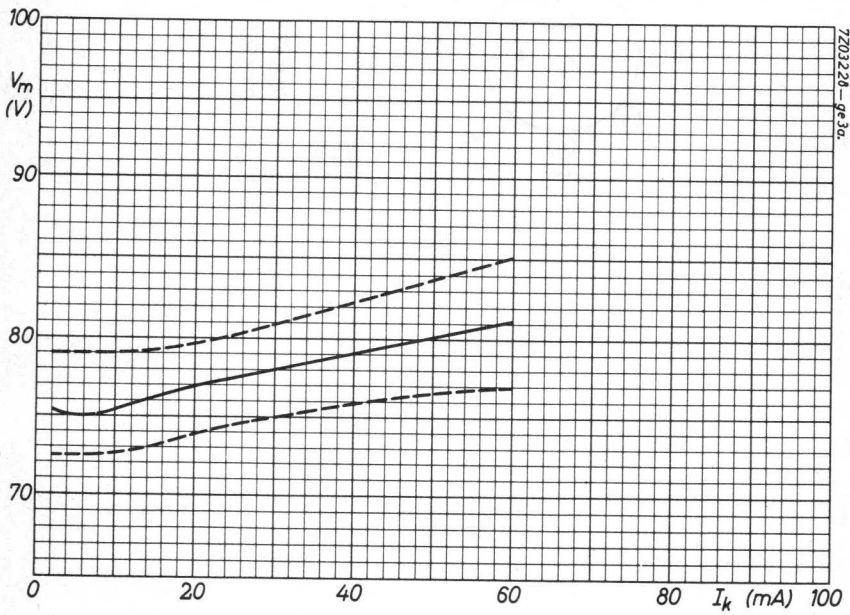
$$V_a = \text{min. } 115 \text{ V } ^1)$$

## DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Base: 7 pin miniature



<sup>1)</sup> This value holds good over life.





## VOLTAGE REFERENCE TUBE

83 volts gas-filled voltage reference tube.

QUICK REFERENCE DATA	
Preferred cathode current	$I_k = 4.5 \text{ mA}$
Maintaining voltage	$V_m = 83.7 \text{ V}$
Incremental resistance	$r_a = 250 \text{ } \Omega$
Temperature coefficient of maintaining voltage averaged over the range 25 to 120 °C	$\frac{\Delta V_m}{\Delta t_{\text{bulb}}} = -2.5 \text{ mV/}^\circ\text{C}$

### CHARACTERISTICS AND RANGE VALUES at $t_{\text{amb}} = 20 \text{ to } 30 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ <sup>1)</sup>

Limits applicable to all tubes (initial values)

Ignition voltage	$V_{\text{ign}} = \text{max. } 120 \text{ V}$
Maintaining voltage at $I_k = 4.5 \text{ mA}$	$V_m = 83.0 \text{ to } 84.5 \text{ V}$
Incremental resistance	$r_a = \text{max. } 350 \text{ } \Omega$

Typical limits (initial values)

Jump voltage at $I_k = 3.5 \text{ to } 6.0 \text{ mA}$	$V_j = \text{max. } 1 \text{ mV}$
Ignition delay in darkness at $V_b = 130 \text{ V}$	max. 5 s
Temperature coefficient of maintaining voltage averaged over the range 25 to 120 °C	$\frac{\Delta V_m}{\Delta t_{\text{bulb}}} = \text{max. } -4 \text{ mV/}^\circ\text{C}$

See also sheet A

<sup>1)</sup> Thermal equilibrium is reached within 1 minute of igniting the tube.

## CHARACTERISTICS AND RANGE VALUES (continued)

Life performance

Typical maximum variation in maintaining voltage

For continuous operation at preferred current

Bulb temperature	=	25	100	150 °C
0 to 300 hours	$\Delta V_m$ =	+0.4	+0.4	+2.4 %
300 to 2500 hours	$\Delta V_m$ =	+0.25	+0.25	-2.5 to +4.7 %
300 to 10 000 hours	$\Delta V_m$ =	+0.4	+0.4	

For storage and stand-by

Bulb temperature	=	25	100 <sup>1)</sup>	°C
0 to 500 hours	$\Delta V_m$ =	negligible	2	%
0 to 3000 hours	$\Delta V_m$ =	negligible	7	%

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Cathode current

$$I_k = \text{max. } 6.0 \text{ mA}$$

$$I_k = \text{min. } 3.5 \text{ mA}$$

Starting current,  $T_{\text{max.}} = 30 \text{ s } ^2)$ 

$$I_{kp} = \text{max. } 10 \text{ mA}$$

Negative peak anode voltage

$$-V_{ap} = \text{max. } 50 \text{ V}$$

Bulb temperature

during operation

$$t_{\text{bulb}} = \text{min. } -55 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$$

$$t_{\text{bulb}} = \text{max. } 150 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C } ^3)$$

during storage and stand-by

$$t_{\text{bulb}} = \text{min. } -55 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$$

$$t_{\text{bulb}} = \text{max. } 100 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$$

<sup>1)</sup> Subsequent operation of the tube for approximately 50 hours at  $I_k = 4.5 \text{ mA}$  at not more than 100 °C will restore the maintaining voltage to within 0.2 V of its original value.

<sup>2)</sup> To be restricted for long life to approximately 30 s once or twice in each 8 hours use.

<sup>3)</sup> Temperature rise above ambient approx. 20 °C at  $I_k = 4.5 \text{ mA}$ .

## CIRCUIT DESIGN VALUES

Minimum voltage to ensure ignition <sup>1)</sup>

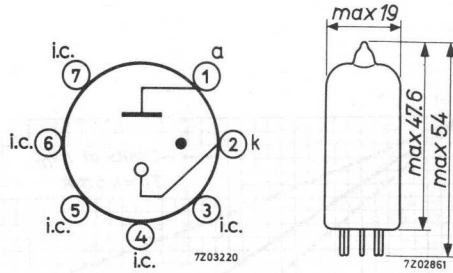
$$V_a = \text{min. } 130 \text{ V}$$

Shunt capacitor

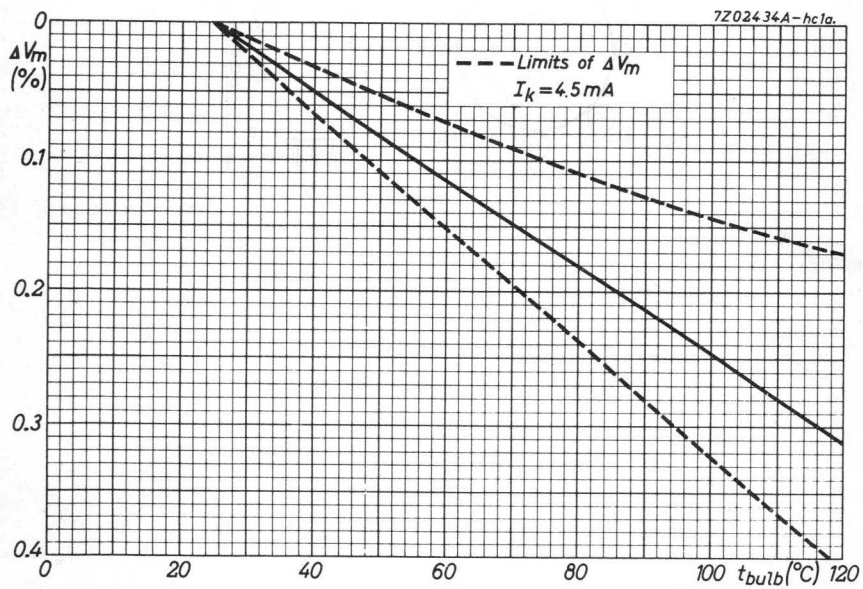
$$C_p = \text{max. } 0.1 \text{ } \mu\text{F}$$

## DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Base: 7 pin miniature



<sup>1)</sup> This value holds good over life, in light and darkness.



## VOLTAGE REFERENCE TUBE

85 volts gas-filled voltage reference tube.

QUICK REFERENCE DATA		
Preferred cathode current	$I_k$	= 5.5 mA
Maintaining voltage	$V_m$	= 85 V
Incremental resistance	$r_a$	= 300 $\Omega$
Temperature coefficient of maintaining voltage averaged over the range -55 to +90 °C	$\frac{\Delta V_m}{\Delta t_{bulb}}$	= -2.7 mV/°C

### CHARACTERISTICS AND RANGE VALUES at $t_{amb} = 20$ to $30$ °C. <sup>1)</sup>

#### Limits applicable to all tubes (initial values)

Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	= max. 115 V
Maintaining voltage at $I_k = 5.5$ mA	$V_m$	= 83 to 87 V
Incremental resistance	$r_a$	= max. 450 $\Omega$

#### Typical limits (initial values)

Jump voltage at $I_k = 4$ to $10$ mA	$V_j$	= max. 50 mV
Temperature coefficient of maintaining voltage averaged over the range -55 to +90 °C	$\frac{\Delta V_m}{\Delta t_{bulb}}$	= max. -4 mV/°C

<sup>1)</sup> Thermal equilibrium is reached within 3 minutes of igniting the tube.

**CHARACTERISTICS AND RANGE VALUES** (continued)Life performance

Typical maximum variation in maintaining voltage

For continuous operation at preferred current

Bulb temperature	=	35 °C
0 to 300 hours	$\Delta V_m$ =	0.3 %
300 to 1000 hours	$\Delta V_m$ =	0.2 %
Each period of 1000 hours after 1300 hours	$\Delta V_m$ =	0.1 %

For storage and stand-by

Bulb temperature	=	25 °C
0 to 5000 hours	$\Delta V_m$ =	0.1 %

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Cathode current	$I_k$	= max. 10 mA	= min. 1 mA
Starting current, $T_{max} = 30s$ <sup>1)</sup>	$I_{kp}$	= max. 40 mA	
Negative peak anode current	$-V_{ap}$	= max. 75 V	
Bulb temperature			
during operation	$t_{bulb}$	= min. -55 °C	= max. +90 °C <sup>2)</sup>
during storage and stand-by	$t_{bulb}$	= min. -55 °C	= max. +70 °C

**CIRCUIT DESIGN VALUES**

Minimum voltage to ensure ignition <sup>3)</sup>	$V_a$	= min. 120 V
Shunt capacitor	$C_p$	= max. 0.1 $\mu F$

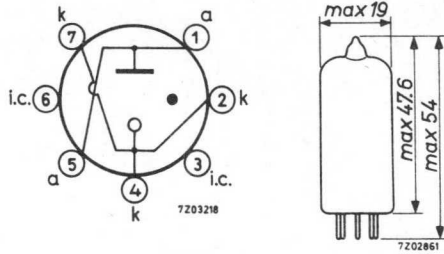
<sup>1)</sup> To be restricted for long life to approx. 30 s once or twice in each 8 hours use.

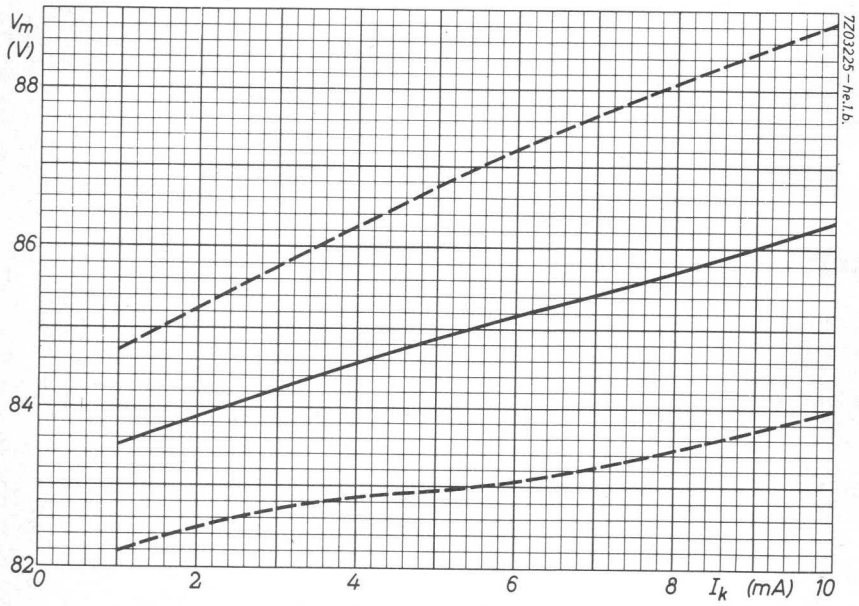
<sup>2)</sup> Temperature rise of bulb above ambient approx. 15 °C at  $I_k = 5.5$  mA

<sup>3)</sup> This value holds good over life.

## DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Base: 7 pin miniature







## VOLTAGE STABILIZING TUBE

90 volts gas-filled voltage stabilizing tube with a current range of 1 to 40 mA.

QUICK REFERENCE DATA	
Regulation voltage ( $I_k = 1$ to 40 mA)	$V_R = 12 \text{ V}$
Incremental resistance ( $I_k = 20$ mA)	$r_a = 300 \ \Omega$
Temperature coefficient of maintaining voltage averaged over the range $-55$ to $+110$ °C $I_k = 20$ mA	$\frac{\Delta V_m}{\Delta t_{\text{bulb}}} = -2.7 \text{ mV}/^\circ\text{C}$

### CHARACTERISTICS AND RANGE VALUES at $t_{\text{amb}} = 25$ °C <sup>1)</sup>

#### Limits applicable to all tubes (initial values)

Ignition voltage	$V_{\text{ign}} = \text{max. } 115 \text{ V}$
Maintaining voltage at $I_k = 20$ mA	$V_m = 86 \text{ to } 94 \text{ V}$
Regulation voltage at $I_k = 1$ to 40 mA	$V_R = \text{max. } 14 \text{ V}^2)$

#### Typical limits (initial values)

Incremental resistance at $I_k = 20$ mA	$r_a = \text{max. } 350 \ \Omega$
Jump voltage at $I_k = 1$ to 40 mA	$V_j = \text{max. } 100 \text{ mV}$

<sup>1)</sup> Thermal equilibrium is reached within 3 minutes of igniting the tube.

<sup>2)</sup> Following a sudden large change in tube current, the regulation voltage may be slightly greater than that given until thermal equilibrium is re-established.

**CHARACTERISTICS AND RANGE VALUES** (continued)Life performance

Typical maximum regulation voltage and range of variation in maintaining voltage

For continuous operation at  $I_k = 20 \text{ mA}$  and  $t_{\text{bulb}} = 60 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

0 to 1000 hours	$\Delta V_m = \text{max.}$	1 %
0 to 10 000 hours	$\Delta V_m = \text{max.}$	3.5 %
Regulation voltage after 1000 hours	$V_r = \text{max.}$	14 V
Regulation voltage after 10 000 hours	$V_r = \text{max.}$	15 V

For continuous operation at  $I_k = 40 \text{ mA}$  and  $t_{\text{bulb}} = 70 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

0 to 1000 hours	$\Delta V_m = \text{max.}$	4 %
0 to 10 000 hours	$\Delta V_m = \text{max.}$	5 %
Regulation voltage after 1000 hours	$V_r = \text{max.}$	14 V
Regulation voltage after 10 000 hours	$V_r = \text{max.}$	15 V

For storage at  $t_{\text{bulb}} = 25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

0 to 5000 hours	$\Delta V_m = \text{max.}$	0.1 %
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**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute maximum rating system)

Cathode current	$I_k = \text{min.}$	1 mA
	$I_k = \text{max.}$	40 mA
Starting current	$I_{k_p} = \text{max.}$	100 mA <sup>3)</sup>
Negative peak anode voltage	$-V_{a_p} = \text{max.}$	75 V
	$-V_{a_p} = \text{min.}$	-55 $^\circ\text{C}$
Bulb temperature during operation	$t_{\text{bulb}} = \text{max.}$	+110 $^\circ\text{C}$ <sup>4)</sup>
	$t_{\text{bulb}} = \text{min.}$	-55 $^\circ\text{C}$
Bulb temperature during storage	$t_{\text{bulb}} = \text{min.}$	-55 $^\circ\text{C}$
	$t_{\text{bulb}} = \text{max.}$	+70 $^\circ\text{C}$

<sup>3)</sup> To be restricted for long life to approximately 30s once or twice in each 8 hours use.

<sup>4)</sup> Temperature rise of bulb above ambient approx. 50  $^\circ\text{C}$  at  $I_k = 40 \text{ mA}$ .  
The tube will operate satisfactorily at bulb temperatures up to 110  $^\circ\text{C}$  provided the tube is not used at either extreme of the current range.

## CIRCUIT DESIGN VALUES

Minimum voltage necessary for ignition

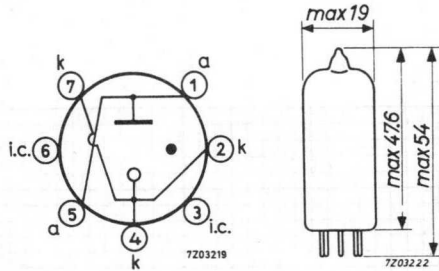
$$V_a = \text{min. } 120 \text{ V } ^1)$$

Shunt capacitor

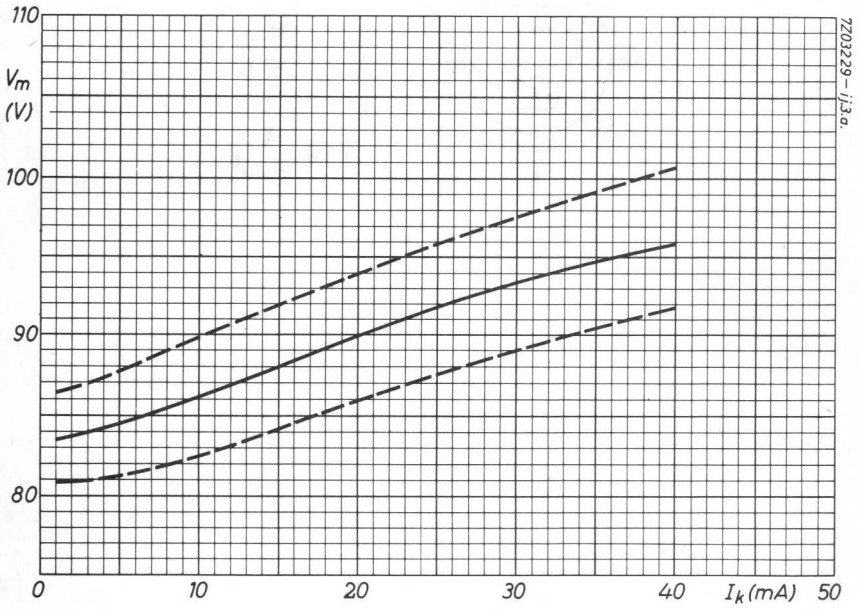
$$C_p = \text{max. } 0.1 \text{ } \mu\text{F}$$

## DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Base 7 pin miniature



<sup>1)</sup> This value holds good over life



## VOLTAGE STABILIZING TUBE

150 volts gas-filled voltage stabilizing tube with a current range of 5 to 15 mA.

QUICK REFERENCE DATA	
Regulation voltage ( $I_k = 5$ to $15$ mA)	$V_r = 3.5$ V
Incremental resistance ( $I_k = 10$ mA)	$r_a = 350$ $\Omega$
Temperature coefficient of maintaining voltage averaged over the range $-55$ to $+110$ $^{\circ}\text{C}$ $I_k = 10$ mA	$\frac{\Delta V_m}{\Delta t_{\text{bulb}}} = 10$ mV/ $^{\circ}\text{C}$

### CHARACTERISTICS AND RANGE VALUES at $t_{\text{amb}} = 25$ $^{\circ}\text{C}$ . <sup>1)</sup>

Limits applicable to all tubes (initial values)

Ignition voltage	$V_{\text{ign}} = \text{max. } 180$ V
Maintaining voltage at $I_k = 10$ mA	$V_m = 146$ to $154$ V
Regulation voltage at $I_k = 5$ to $15$ mA	$V_r = \text{max. } 5$ V

Typical limits (initial values)

Incremental resistance at $I_k = 10$ mA	$r_a = \text{max. } 400$ $\Omega$
Jump voltage at $I_k = 5$ to $15$ mA	$V_j = \text{max. } 200$ mV

Life performance

Typical maximum regulation voltage and range of variation in maintaining voltage.

For continuous operation at  $I_k = 10$  mA and  $t_{\text{bulb}} = 60$   $^{\circ}\text{C}$

0 to 1000 hours	$\Delta V_m = \text{max. } 1.5$ %
0 to 10 000 hours	$\Delta V_m = \text{max. } 2$ %
Regulation voltage after 1000 hours	$V_r = \text{max. } 5$ V
Regulation voltage after 10 000 hours	$V_r = \text{max. } 6$ V

<sup>1)</sup> Thermal equilibrium is reached within 3 minutes of igniting the tube.

## CHARACTERISTICS AND RANGE VALUES (continued)

For continuous operation at  $I_k = 15 \text{ mA}$  and  $t_{\text{bulb}} = 70 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

0 to 1000 hours	$\Delta V_m$	= max.	2 %
Regulation voltage after 1000 hours	$V_r$	= max.	5 V

For storage at  $t_{\text{bulb}} = 25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

0 to 5000 hours	$\Delta V_m$	= max.	0.3 %
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## LIMITING VALUES (Absolute maximum rating system)

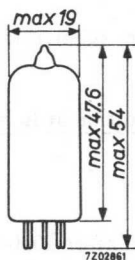
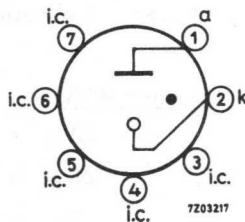
Cathode current	$I_k$	= min.	5 mA
		= max.	15 mA
Starting current	$I_{k_p}$	= max.	40 mA <sup>1)</sup>
Negative peak anode voltage	$-V_{a_p}$	= max.	130 V
Bulb temperature	$t_{\text{bulb}}$	= min.	$-55 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
		= max.	$+110 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ <sup>2)</sup>
during storage	$t_{\text{bulb}}$	= min.	$-55 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
		= max.	$+70 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

## CIRCUIT DESIGN VALUES

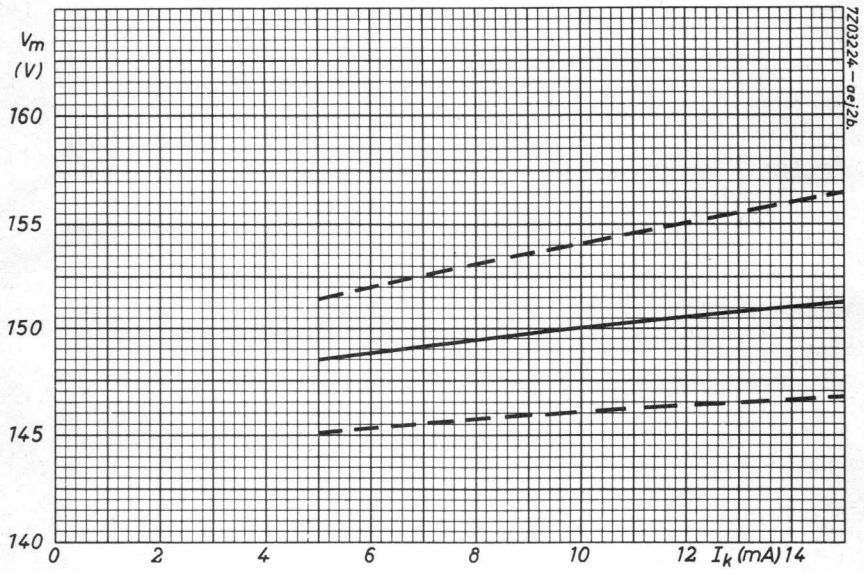
Minimum voltage necessary for ignition	$V_a$	= min.	180 V <sup>3)</sup>
Shunt capacitor	$C_p$	= max.	0.1 $\mu\text{F}$

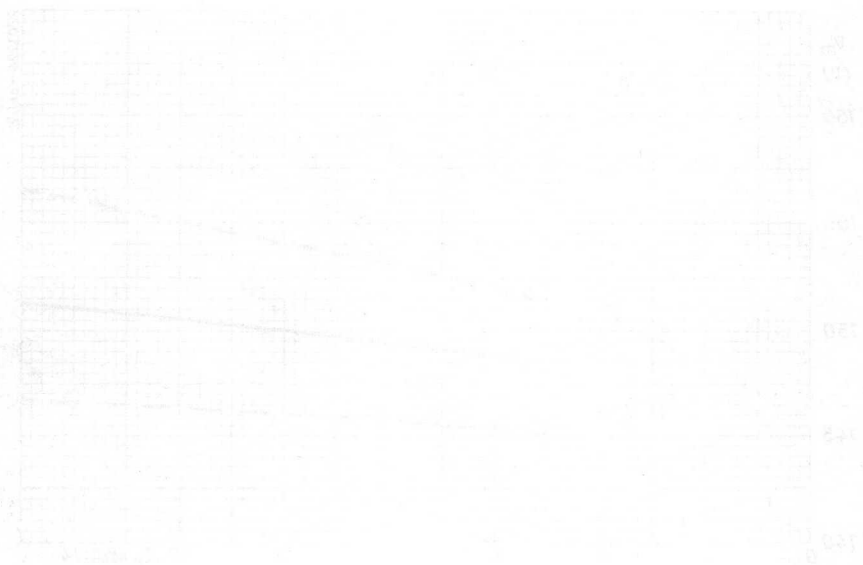
## DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Base: 7 pin miniature



- 1) To be restricted for long life to approximately 30 s once or twice in each 8 hours use.
- 2) Temperature rise of bulb above ambient approx.  $50 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  at  $I_k = 15 \text{ mA}$
- 3) This value holds good over life.







# Counter-, selector - and indicator tubes



RECOMMENDED TYPES FOR NEW EQUIPMENT

Numerical indicator tubes

ZM1000  
ZM1000R  
ZM1001  
ZM1001R  
ZM1005  
  
ZM1005R  
ZM1020  
ZM1021  
ZM1022  
ZM1023  
  
ZM1040  
ZM1041  
ZM1042  
ZM1043  
ZM1162  
  
ZM1174  
ZM1175  
ZM1176  
ZM1177  
ZM1200



# GENERAL OPERATIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS COUNTER-AND SELECTOR TUBES

## CONSTRUCTION

The counter and selector tubes consist of 30 identical rod-shaped cathodes arranged in a circle concentric with the common circular plate anode. The 30 cathodes are divided into three groups of ten and arranged so that every third electrode going around the ring belongs to the same group. The three groups are called main cathodes, guide A cathodes, and guide B cathodes. The order of the electrodes proceeding in a clockwise direction around the tube as seen from the dome is a main cathode, a guide A cathode, guide B cathode, next main cathode etc.

In both the counter tube and the selector tube all the guide A electrodes are connected internally and brought out to a single pin. The guide B electrodes are similarly connected and brought out. In the counter tube the main cathodes 1 to 9 are connected together internally and connected to a single pin. The 0 or tenth main cathode is brought out separately so that the tube can be set to zero and also an electrical output obtained for driving a succeeding tube. In the selector tube all the main cathodes are brought out individually so that an electrical output pulse can be obtained at any point around the tube.

## FUNCTION OF THE ELECTRODE GROUPS

### Main cathodes

The glow normally rests on a main cathode thus providing indication, and electrical output may also be obtained from this cathode. The position of the discharge may be seen through the dome of the tube as an orange 'cathode glow' at the tip of the cathode concerned. The position of the discharge can be related to the number of input pulse by the use of an external numbered escutcheon aligned so that the numbers coincide with the position of the main cathodes.

### Guide cathodes (A and B)

The function of the guide cathodes is to transfer the discharge from one main cathode to the next on the receipt of an input signal.

### BASIC CIRCUIT

The basic circuit is shown in Figure 1 on the individual data sheets and is essentially the same for both counter and selector tubes. An h.t. voltage, normally 475 V, (which is greater than the anode-cathode ignition voltage) is applied to the circuit and breakdown to one of the main cathodes will, therefore, occur. Breakdown to more than one cathode cannot occur since conduction causes a voltage drop across the anode resistor and reduces the anode voltage across the tube to the maintaining voltage.

### THE TRANSFER MECHANISM

The method usually employed to move the discharge around the tube is to convert the input signal into a pair of negative pulses. The first pulse is applied to all guide A cathodes followed immediately by the second pulse applied to all guide B cathodes.

Assume that the discharge is resting on the third main cathode  $k_3$ ; when the pulse is applied to guides A the voltage between anode and guides A exceeds the ignition voltage and breakdown can therefore occur. Because of the priming from the discharge to the conducting main cathode  $k_3$ , breakdown will always occur to the adjacent guide A cathode  $GA_4$ . The discharge to  $k_3$  will be extinguished since the anode voltage falls by the magnitude of the applied negative pulse. Similarly breakdown to  $GB_4$  will take place on the arrival of the second pulse and the potential of guides A will return to the bias level. Finally at the end of the second pulse the potential of guides B will also return to the bias level. The anode voltage rises towards a potential equal to the guide bias plus the maintaining voltage. However, when the anode to  $k_4$  voltage exceeds the ignition value the discharge will move to  $k_4$  and the transfer has then been completed. This sequence results in rotation in the clockwise direction. Counting in the anti-clockwise direction can be obtained by applying pulses to guides A and B in the reverse order.

## OUTPUT PULSE

A resistor is connected in series with  $k_0$  (in Figure 1) so that an output pulse can be obtained when the discharge rests on  $k_0$ . This resistor must be chosen so that when the glow rests on  $k_0$ , the voltage on  $k_0$  does not exceed the positive guide bias. It is common practice to take the earthy end of the resistor back to a negative bias supply to obtain a larger pulse. However, the magnitude of the bias should not at any time be more negative than -20 volts.

In the selector tube an output can be obtained by inserting a resistor in series with any of the main cathodes.

The maximum value of the main cathode resistor for either selector or counter is given by

$$R_{k \max.} = \frac{(V_G + V_k - 10) R_a}{(V_{ht} - V_M - V_G + 10)}$$

and the output voltage for any value of  $R_k$  is

$$V_{out} = \frac{(V_{ht} - V_M + V_k) R_k}{(R_k + R_a)}$$

where  $V_{ht}$  is the supply voltage

$V_M$  is the maintaining voltage

$V_G$  is the positive guide bias

$V_k$  is bias to  $k_0$  (numerical value only)

$R_k$  is the cathode resistor

$R_a$  is the anode resistor

## SET ZERO

The discharge can conveniently be returned to  $k_0$  by momentarily disconnecting all cathodes except  $k_0$ . An alternative method is to pulse  $k_0$  negatively to -120 volts. Care must be taken if this method is adopted that spurious pulses are not fed down the chain of counter tubes at the termination of the pulse.



# COLD CATHODE INDICATOR TUBES

## TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

1. Indicator tube.

An indicator tube is a glow discharge tube designed to give a visual indication of the presence of an electrical signal.

A numerical indicator tube is one in which the indication is given in the form of numerals.

In a point indicator tube the indication is given by the position of the glow.

2. Ignition.

2.1 Ignition voltage (symbol  $V_{ign}$ )

The ignition voltage is the lowest direct potential, which when applied to a particular anode-cathode gap in the presence of some primary ionisation, will cause a self sustaining discharge to start in that anode-cathode gap.

2.2 Ignition delay.

The ignition delay is the time interval between the application of a direct potential (equal to or exceeding the ignition voltage) to a particular anode-cathode gap and the establishment of a self sustaining discharge in that gap.

The figure quoted applies to a tube which has been inoperative for a time long in comparison with the deionisation time.

3. Maintaining voltage (symbol  $V_m$ )

The maintaining voltage is the voltage between an anode and that cathode carrying the main discharge.

4. Extinguishing voltage (symbol  $V_{ext}$ )

The extinguishing voltage is the voltage between anode and cathode below which the glow discharge extinguishes and is equal to the lowest possible value of the maintaining voltage.

5. "On" cathode.

The "on" cathode is the cathode (numeral) which is required to be displayed and thus carries the main discharge.

6. "Off" cathode.

The "off" cathodes are the cathodes which are not required for display and thus act as probes in the main discharge.

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7. Cathode selecting voltage (symbol  $V_{kk}$ )  
The cathode selecting voltage is the cathode voltage difference which is used for discrimination between the "off" cathodes and the "on" cathode.
8. Anode selecting voltage (symbol  $V_{aa}$ )  
The anode selecting voltage is the anode voltage difference which is used to select the "on" cathode out of a group of cathodes.
9. Anode to cathode bias voltage (bias voltage) (symbol  $V_{bias}$ )  
The anode to cathode bias voltage is the anode to cathode voltage before any cathode has been ignited. This voltage serves to reduce the required selecting voltage.
10. Shield voltage (symbol  $V_s$ )  
The shield voltage is the voltage difference between the shield electrode and the "on" cathode and is used to prevent the penetration of the discharge from one compartment into another which is separated from the former by said shield.
11. Cathode current (symbol  $I_k$ )  
The cathode current is the current flowing to the "on" cathode.
  - 11.1 Minimum cathode current for coverage (symbol  $I_{kmin.}$ )  
The minimum cathode current is the current necessary to ensure full coverage of the "on" cathode by the glow.
  - 11.2 Maximum cathode current (symbol  $I_{kmax.}$ )  
The maximum cathode current is the current at which the glow is still restricted to the "on" cathode.  
If this current is exceeded the glow may spread to connecting leads or other elements.
12. Probe current (symbol  $I_{kk}$ )  
A probe current is the current flowing to or from an electrode which does not form part of the main discharge gap.  
(The magnitude and direction of this current will be dependent on the position of this electrode with respect to the main discharge and on the external circuit conditions).
13. Anode current (symbol  $I_a$ )  
The anode current is the algebraic sum of cathode current and all probe currents.
14. Life expectancy.  
End of life is reached when the characteristics of any one numeral surpass the stated limits.

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## **RATING SYSTEM**

**( in accordance with I.E.C. publication 134 )**

### **Absolute maximum rating system**

Absolute maximum ratings are limiting values of operating and environmental conditions applicable to any electronic device of a specified type as defined by its published data, which should not be exceeded under the worst probable conditions.

These values are chosen by the device manufacturer to provide acceptable serviceability of the device, taking no responsibility for equipment variations, environmental variations, and the effects of changes in operating conditions due to variations in the characteristics of the device under consideration and of all other electronic devices in the equipment.

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



# RATING SYSTEM

(In accordance with IEC Publication 134)

## Absolute minimum rating system

1. The absolute minimum rating system is based on the following assumptions:  
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## COUNTER AND SELECTOR TUBE

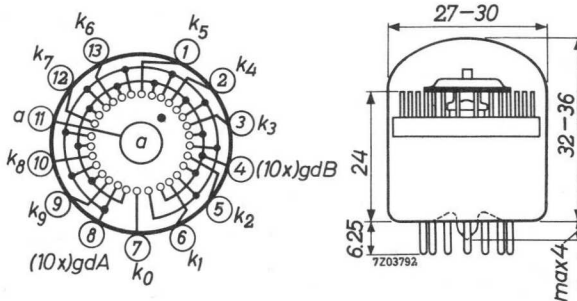
Cold cathode gas-filled bi-directional 10 output selector tube.  
The Z504S gives visual indication and operates at speeds up to 5 kHz.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Maximum counting speed		5 kHz
Supply voltage	$V_{ba}$	475 V
Output, current		340 $\mu$ A
voltage		35 V
Indication		position of glow; end viewing

### DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Base: B13B



$K_0$  is aligned with pin 7 to within  $\pm 3^\circ$

Mounting position: any

This tube has been designed to close tolerances so that no individual adjustment is necessary to align the bulb with the escutcheon.

### Accessories

Socket 2422 505 00001

Escutcheon type 56062

### General note

All voltages are referred to the most positive supply potential to which any main cathode (not guide cathode) is returned.

**CHARACTERISTIC RANGE VALUES FOR EQUIPMENT DESIGN**

(initial and during life)

**IGNITION REQUIREMENTS**

Anode supply voltage	$V_{ba}$	375 to 1000 V
Time constant rise of anode supply voltage when switching on		
$V_{ba} < 550$ V		1.0 ms <sup>1)</sup>
$V_{ba} > 550$ V		6.0 ms <sup>1)</sup>

**DISCHARGE AT REST ON A MAIN CATHODE**

Maintaining voltage of anode to main cathode at  $I_a = 340 \mu A$ ,  $V_{gdB} = 25$  to  $50$  V See also page 8

maximum	$V_m$	max. 205 V
minimum	$V_m$	min. 185 V
Cathode current		
maximum (except during reset)	$I_k$	max. 525 $\mu A$
minimum	$I_k$	min. 250 $\mu A$
recommended	$I_k$	340 $\mu A$
Guide supply voltage		
maximum	$V_{bgd}$	max. 60 V
minimum	$V_{bgd}$	min. 25 V
Resistance between guides and guide supply	$R_{gd}$	max. 220 $k\Omega$
Cathode potential (except during reset)		
Non conducting cathode	$-V_k$	max. 14 V
Conducting cathode	$V_k$ max. $V_{gd}$	min. 10 V <sup>2)</sup>
	$-V_k$	max. 0 V

For notes see page 5

## STEPPING REQUIREMENTS

See also pages 6 and 7

## Discharge dwell time

main cathode	min.	75 $\mu$ s
guide A cathode	min.	60 $\mu$ s
guide B cathode	min.	60 $\mu$ s

Interval between trailing edge of  
guide A pulse and leading edge

of guide B pulse (double rectangular pulse drive)	max.	3 $\mu$ s
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Negative guide voltage to step the  
discharge from a main cathode to  
an adjacent guide cathode

max.	140 $V_{\text{minus}}V_{\text{gd}}$
min.	45 V

Voltage difference required to step the  
discharge from a guide cathode to the  
adjacent guide cathode

max.	140 V
min.	45 V <sup>3)</sup>

Positive supply voltage to step the  
discharge from a guide cathode to the  
adjacent main cathode

max.	50 V
min.	25 V

## Main cathode potential

Non conducting cathodes	$-V_k$	max.	14 V
Conducting cathode	$V_k$	$V_{\text{gd}}$ minus	10 V <sup>2)</sup>
	$-V_k$	max.	0 V

For notes see page 5

RESETTING REQUIREMENTS

	Reset to cathodes	
	7, 8, 9, 0, 1, 2, 3	4, 5, 6
Main cathode voltage	$-V_k$ max. 240	140 V
pulse duration > 1 ms	$-V_k$ min. 120	120 <sup>4)</sup> V
pulse duration $\geq 200 \mu s$	$-V_k$ min. 130	- V
Pulse duration	min. 200	- $\mu s$
Reset cathode current	$I_k$ max. 800	650 $\mu A$ <sup>5)</sup>

LIFE AND RELIABILITY

With this tube an average failure rate of less than 0.5%/1000 h has been obtained. When operated continuously this failure rate applies for a period in excess of 25000 h, but the visual read-out may be impaired after the first 15000 h. These figures have been obtained under the following typical conditions:

Anode current	340 $\mu A$
Positive guide supply voltage	40 V
Negative guide voltage for transfer	80 V
Output cathode ( $k_0$ ) voltage	
non conducting	-12 V
conducting	0 V
Guide A dwell time	110 $\mu s$
Guide B dwell time	250 to 650 $\mu s$
Counting speed	0.2 p.p.h. to 500 p.p.s.
Ambient temperature	$20 \pm 5$ °C

A typical tube can be expected to count correctly with the above conditions after standing on one main cathode for a period up to 4500 h.

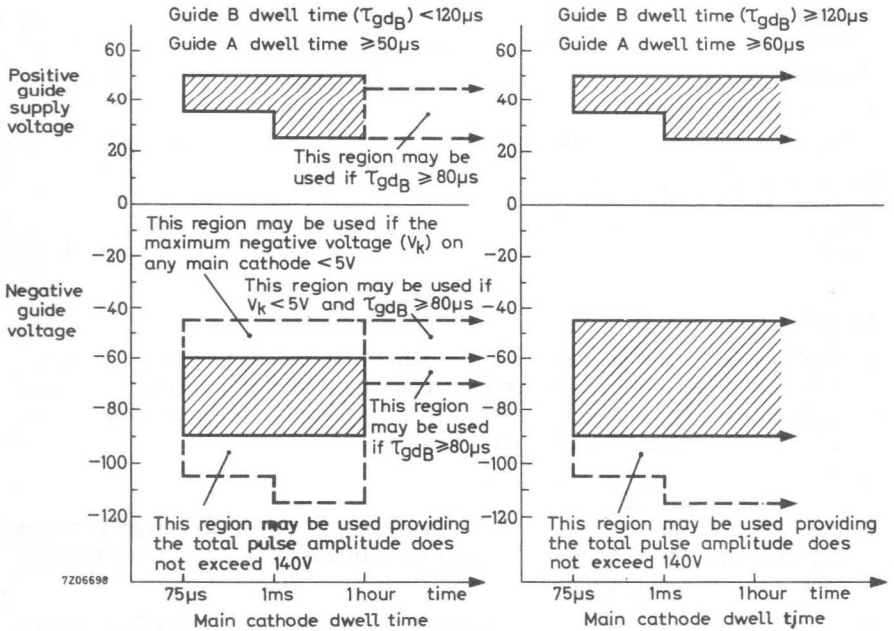
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**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute maximum rating system)

Continuous main cathode current (except during reset)	$I_k$	max. 525 $\mu\text{A}$
Reset cathode current		
Cathodes 7, 8, 9, 0, 1, 2, 3	$I_k$	max. 800 $\mu\text{A}$ <sup>5)</sup>
Cathode 4, 5, 6	$I_k$	max. 650 $\mu\text{A}$ <sup>5)</sup>
Voltage between any two main or guide cathodes (except during reset)		max. 140 V
Positive guide supply voltage	$V_{b_{gd}}$	max. 140 V
Ambient temperature, operation and stand-by	$t_{amb}$	max. 50 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ <sup>6)</sup>

**NOTES**

1. If the power supply does not have a suitable time constant as one of its characteristics, it can be conveniently obtained by inserting a resistor in series with the supply voltage and a capacitor to earth (4.7 k $\Omega$  and 0.25  $\mu\text{F}$  for 1.0 ms, 6.8 k $\Omega$  and 1.0  $\mu\text{F}$  for 6.0 ms).
2. This value should not exceed 40 V.
3. The adjacent guide cathode (the cathode to which the discharge is being transferred) must also be 45 V negative with respect to the most positive main cathode supply voltage.
4. For cathodes 4, 5 and 6, the leading edge of the resetting pulse should have a rate of fall not exceeding 140 V per ms. Resetting will occur within 1 ms after the voltage has reached 120 volts.
5. The high current permitted during reset should not be allowed to flow for more than a few seconds.
6. It is preferable to store the tube as near as possible to room temperature.

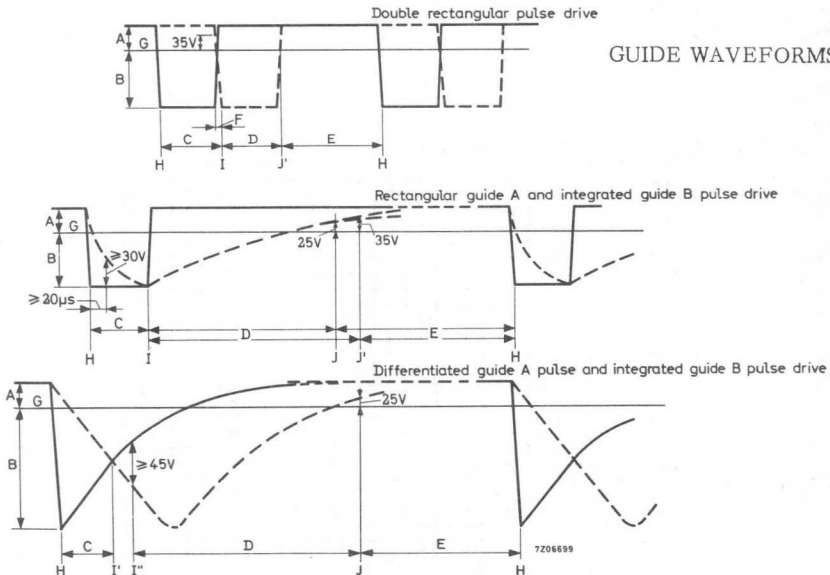


GUIDE OPERATING VOLTAGES

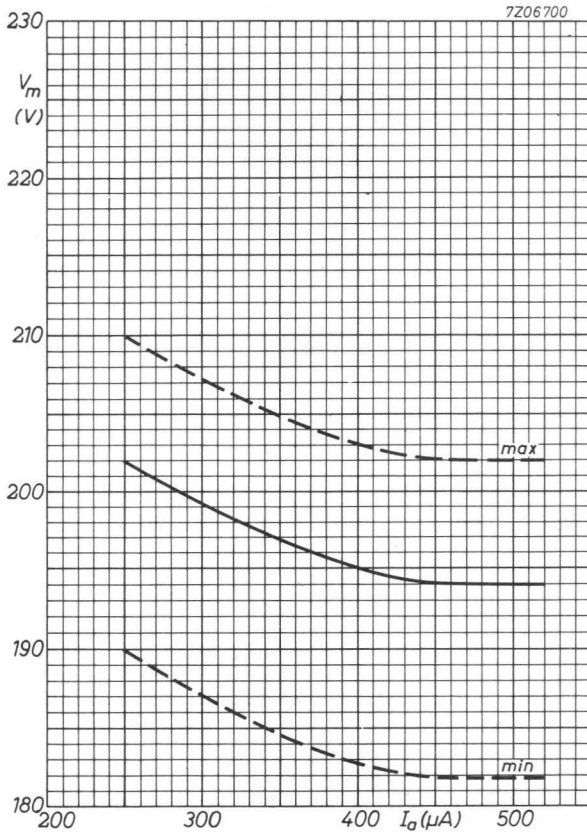
The shaded areas represent regions where the tube may be used without restriction initially and during life



## GUIDE WAVEFORMS



- A Positive guide supply voltage
- B Negative guide voltage
- C Guide A dwell time
- D Guide B dwell time
- E Main cathode dwell time
- F Interval between trailing edge of guide A pulse and leading edge of guide B pulse
- G Potential of most positive main cathode supply voltage
- H Discharge transfers from main cathode to guide A cathode
- I Discharge transfers from guide A cathode to guide B cathode
- I' Earliest instant for discharge transfer from guide A cathode to guide B cathode
- I'' Latest instant for discharge transfer from guide A cathode to guide B cathode
- J Latest instant for discharge transfer from guide B cathode to main cathode, for a main cathode dwell time  $> 1$  ms
- J' Latest instant for discharge transfer from guide B cathode to main cathode dwell time  $\leq 1$  ms



Anode to main cathode maintaining voltage plotted against anode current

## SELECTOR TUBE

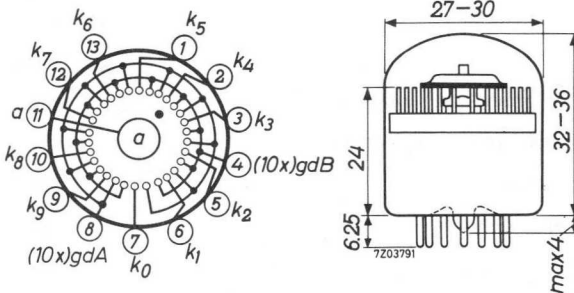
Cold cathode gas-filled bi-directional decade selector and counting tube. This tube has ten main cathodes, all of which are brought out separately. The Z505S gives visual indication and operates at speeds up to 50 kHz.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Maximum counting speed		50 kHz
Supply voltage	$V_{ba}$	500 V
Output, current		800 $\mu A$
voltage		24 V
Indication		position of glow; end viewing

### DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Base: B13B



$K_0$  is aligned with pin 7 to within  $\pm 3^\circ$

Mounting position: any

This tube has been designed to close tolerances so that no individual adjustment is necessary to align the bulb with the escutcheon.

### Accessories

Socket type 2422 505 00001  
 Escutcheon type 55062

### General note

All voltages are referred to the most positive supply potential to which any main cathode (not guide cathode) is returned.

**CHARACTERISTICS AND RANGE VALUES FOR EQUIPMENT DESIGN**

(initial and during life)

Ignition requirements

Anode supply voltage	$V_{ba}$	400 to 1000	V
Time constant of rise of anode supply voltage		min. 2	ms <sup>1)</sup>

Discharge at rest on a main cathode

Maintaining voltage of anode to main cathode  
at  $I_a = 0.8$  mA,  $V_{bgd} = 55$  V

maximum	$V_m$	max.	275	V
minimum	$V_m$	min.	240	V

Cathode current,

recommended	$I_k$		0.8	mA
maximum	$I_k$	max.	1.0	mA
minimum	$I_k$	min.	0.6	mA

Guide supply voltage

maximum	$V_{bgd}$	max.	65	V
minimum	$V_{bgd}$	min.	40	V

Resistance between guides and guide supply

$R_{gd}$	max.	22	k $\Omega$
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Cathode potential (except during reset)

non conducting cathode	$-V_k$	max.	14	V
conducting cathode, positive	$V_k$	max.	28	V <sup>2)</sup>
negative	$-V_k$	max.	0	V

Stepping requirements      See also page 4

Discharge dwell time,

main cathode		min.	8.0	$\mu$ s
Guide A		min.	6.0	$\mu$ s
Guide B		min.	6.0	$\mu$ s

Interval between trailing edge of  
guide A pulse and leading edge of guide B  
pulse (double rectangular pulse drive)

	max.	0.3	$\mu$ s
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Guide voltage to step the discharge from a main  
cathode to an adjacent guide cathode

$-V_{gd}$	max.	80	V
	min.	30	V

<sup>1)</sup><sup>2)</sup> See page 5

## CHARACTERISTICS AND RANGE VALUES FOR EQUIPMENT DESIGN (continued)

Voltage difference required between a guide  
and the adjacent guide in order to  
step the discharge

$V_{gd-gd}$	max. 140 V
	min. 30 V <sup>3)</sup>

Guide supply voltage to step the discharge  
from a guide to the next main cathode

$V_{bgd}$	max. 65 V
	min. 40 V

Cathode potential

non conducting cathodes

$-V_k$	max. 14 V
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conducting cathode, positive

$V_k$	max. 28 V <sup>2)</sup>
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negative

$-V_k$	max. 0 V
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Resetting requirements <sup>4)</sup>

Cathode voltage

$-V_k$	max. 140 V
	min. 100 V <sup>5)</sup>

## LIFE

A typical tube can be expected to count correctly with the following conditions after standing on one main cathode for a period of approximately 4500 hours.

Anode current

$I_a$	0.8 mA
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Guide supply voltage

$V_{bgd}$	60 V
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Guide voltage for transfer

$V_{gd}$	-50 V
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Output cathode ( $k_0$ ) voltage,

non conducting

$V_o$	5.0 V
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conducting

$V_o$	-5.0 V
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Guide A dwell time

6.0 $\mu$ s
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Guide B dwell time

6.0 $\mu$ s
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Cathode dwell time

8.0 $\mu$ s
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Temperature

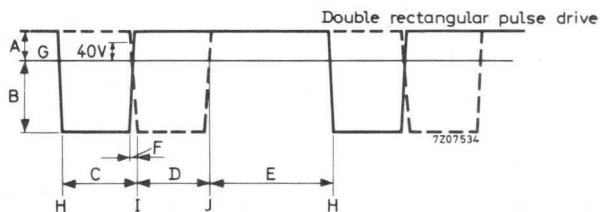
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<sup>2)</sup><sup>3)</sup><sup>4)</sup><sup>5)</sup> See page 5

## LIMITING VALUES (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode supply voltage	$V_{ba}$	max. 1000 V
Cathode current (except during reset)	$I_k$	max. 1.0 mA
Voltage between any two main or guide cathodes (except during reset)		max. 140 V
Guide supply voltage	$V_{bgd}$	max. 65 V
Reset voltage, negative		max. 140 V
Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$	max. 50 °C <sup>1)</sup>

## GUIDE WAVEFORMS



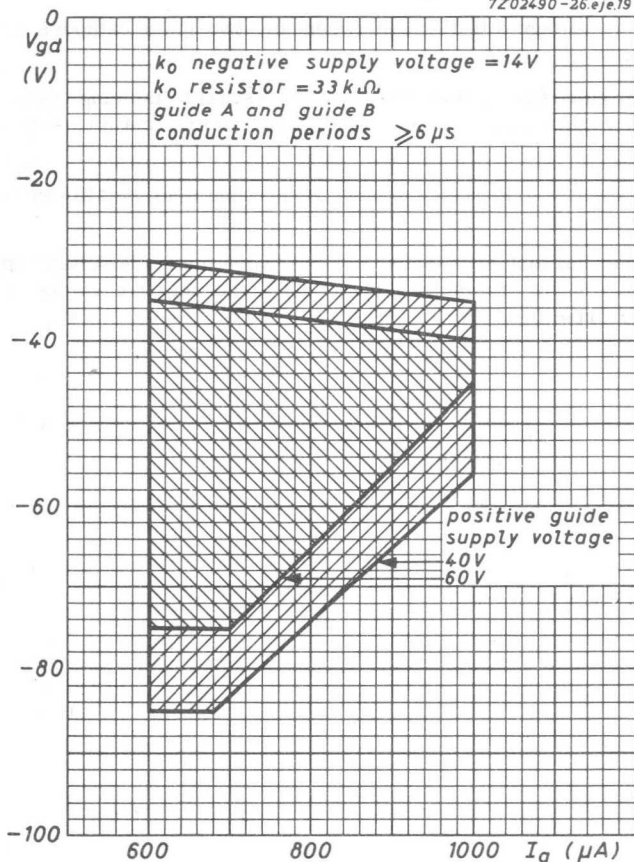
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- H Discharge transfers from main cathode to guide A
- I Discharge transfers from guide A to guide B
- J Latest instant for discharge transfer from guide B to main cathode, dwell time  $\leq 500 \mu s$ .

<sup>1)</sup> It is preferable to store the tube as near as possible to room temperature.

## NOTES

- 1) If the power supply does not have a time constant of 2 ms as one of its characteristics, it can conveniently be obtained by inserting a resistor in series with the anode supply and a capacitor to the negative return.  
(4.7 k $\Omega$  and 0.5  $\mu$ F for 2 ms).
- 2) The maximum voltage difference between any two main cathodes except during reset must not exceed 28 V.
- 3) The adjacent guide (the cathode to which the discharge is being transferred) must also be 30 V negative with respect to the most positive main cathode supply voltage.
- 4) The high current which passes during reset should not be allowed to flow more than a few seconds.
- 5) If the cathode current falls below 0.7 mA when the guide voltage applied to the tube approaches the minimum value of 40 V the negative voltage required for resetting may rise to 110 V.

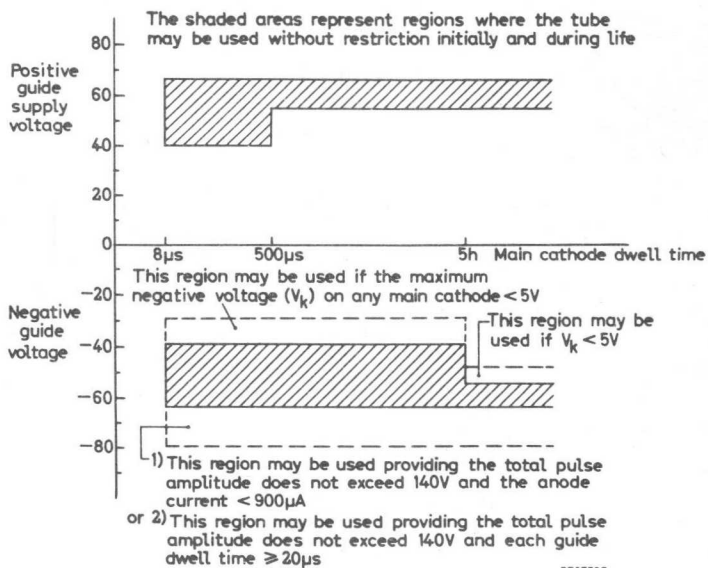
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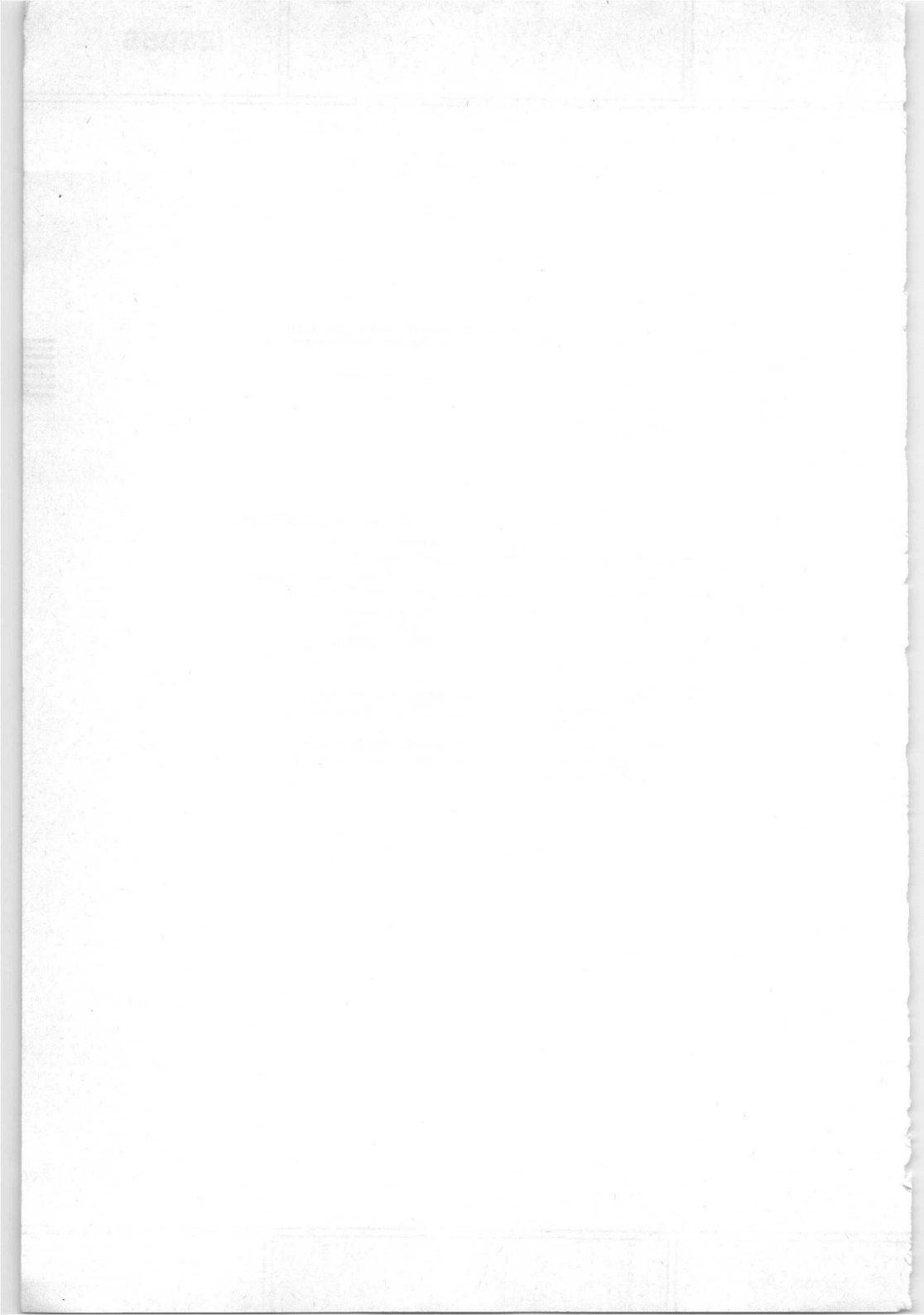
Guide voltage to ensure stepping.

The area of operation is increased with the use of larger pulse periods





Guide operating voltages



## INDICATOR TUBE

Long life cold cathode ten digit indicator tube for side viewing

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Numeral height		approx.	14 mm
Numerals			0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
Decimal point			to the left of the numerals
Supply voltage	$V_{b_a}$	min.	170 V
Anode current, average	$I_a$		2.5 mA
peak	$I_{a_p}$	max.	12 mA

### GENERAL

The numerals are 14 mm high and appear on the same base line allowing in-line read out. The ZM1000R is provided with a red contrast filter.

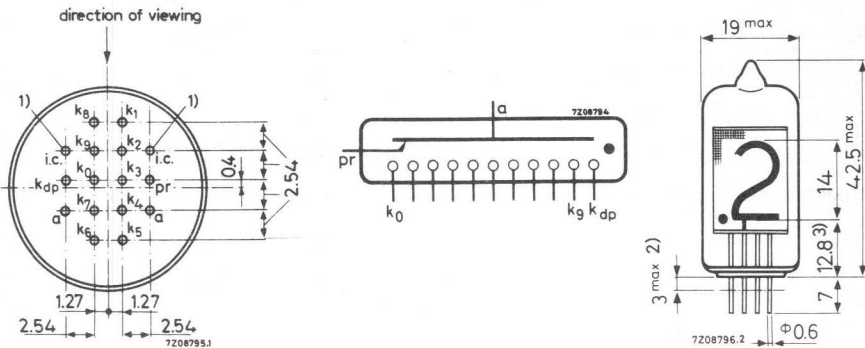
### PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION

The tube contains ten cathodes in the form of ten numerals and one in the form of a decimal point; a primer, and one common anode. By applying a suitable voltage between the anode and one of the cathodes the corresponding numeral or the decimal point will be covered by a red neon glow.

The primer allows ionization without delay in strobe type or blanking applications.

### DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm



1) Length of i.c. pins max. 2.8 mm.

2) Not tinned.

3) Standard deviation 0.13 mm

The deviations of the axis of the pins with respect to the true geometrical position cover an area of max. 0.3 mm diameter. The pin configuration is compatible with the reference grid for printed wiring according to IEC Publication 97 (0.1 in).

Mounting position: Any

#### Soldering

The pins may be dip-soldered at a solder temperature of max. 240 °C for maximum 10 seconds up to a point 5 mm from the seals.

#### Natural frequency

The natural frequencies of the numeral cathodes lie within the range from 300 Hz to 800 Hz.

### ACCESSORIES

55701 Printed wiring mounting board (19 x 100 mm) on which the ZM1000 can be soldered; afterwards the combination can be mounted on a vertical printed wiring board carrying, e.g., the drive circuit. Can also be used with the snap-fit tube holder 55703.

55702 Tube socket (for 0.1 in grid). Phenolic. Tinned contacts.

55703 Snap-fit tube holder.

55704 Set of one left-hand and one right-hand end piece to complete the snap-fit indicator tube assembly.

### CHARACTERISTICS AND OPERATING CONDITIONS

Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	max. 170 V
Maintaining voltage	$V_m$	see page 4
Anode current for coverage	$I_a$	min. 1.5 mA
(with or without decimal point and $V_{kk} = V_{kk_{min}} - V_{fl}$ , see page 5)	$I_a$	max. 4.5 mA
Cathode selecting voltage	$V_{kk}$	see page 5
Cathode resistor, decimal point	$R_{dp}$	100 $k\Omega \pm 10\%$ <sup>1)</sup>
Primer resistor	$R_{pr}$	10 $M\Omega \pm 10\%$
Extinction voltage	$V_{ext}$	min. 118 V

<sup>1)</sup> Lower values of this resistor are permitted. The anode current should be increased by the increase of decimal point current resulting from the decrease of this resistor.

Typical operation over full temperature range 0 °C to +70 °C.

D.C. operation see pages 4, 5, 6 and 7.

Pulse operation

Peak currents up to 12 mA can be allowed provided the average current value does not exceed 2.5 mA.

To avoid excessive glow on "off" cathodes, the cathode selecting voltage should exceed 65 V. Minimum pulse duration 100 μs.

For further information consult the manufacturer.

**LIFE EXPECTANCY** at  $I_a = 2.5$  mA

This tube is manufactured on the same physical principles as other tubes in this category and it is expected that the life will be comparable, viz:

sequentially changing the display from one digit to the others every 1000 h or less		100 000 h
Mean time between failures	min.	200 000 h

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

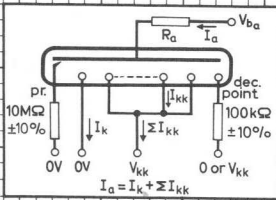
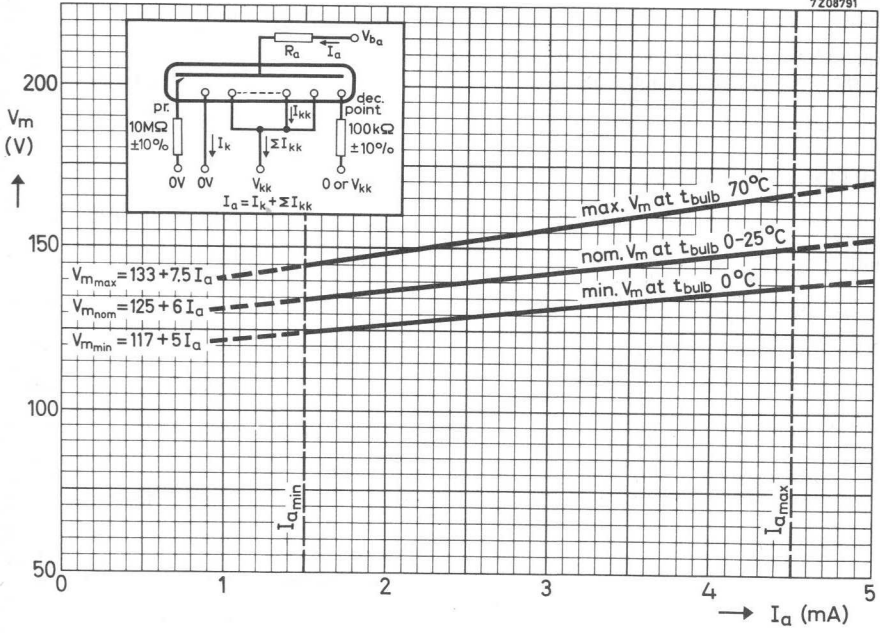
Anode voltage necessary for ignition	$V_a$	min.	170 V
Anode current,			
average during any conduction period	$I_a$	min.	1.5 mA
average ( $T_{AV} = 20$ ms)	$I_a$	max.	4.5 mA
peak	$I_{a_p}$	max.	12 mA ←
Cathode selecting voltage	$V_{kk}$		see page 5
Bias voltage between anode and "off" cathodes	$V_{bias}$	max.	$V_{floating}$
Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$	min.	-50 °C 1)
	$t_{amb}$	max.	+70 °C

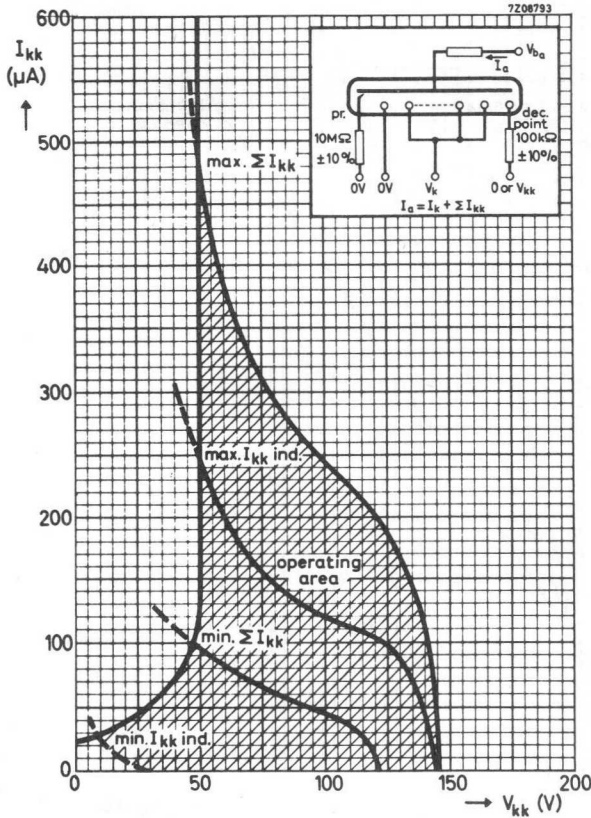
1) Bulb temperatures below 10 °C result in a reduced life expectancy and changes in characteristics (see page 4).

For equipment to be used over a wide temperature range, "constant current operation" (high supply voltage with a high anode series resistor) is recommended.

**ZM1000  
ZM1000R**

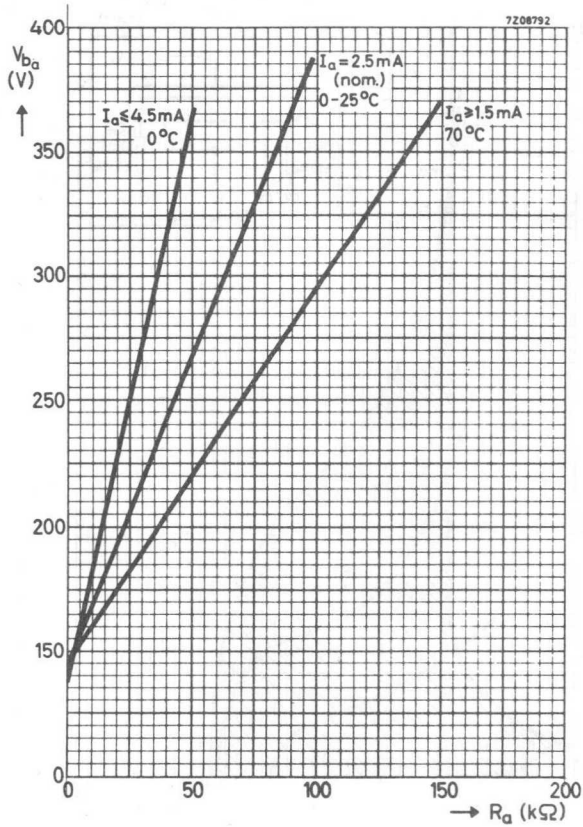
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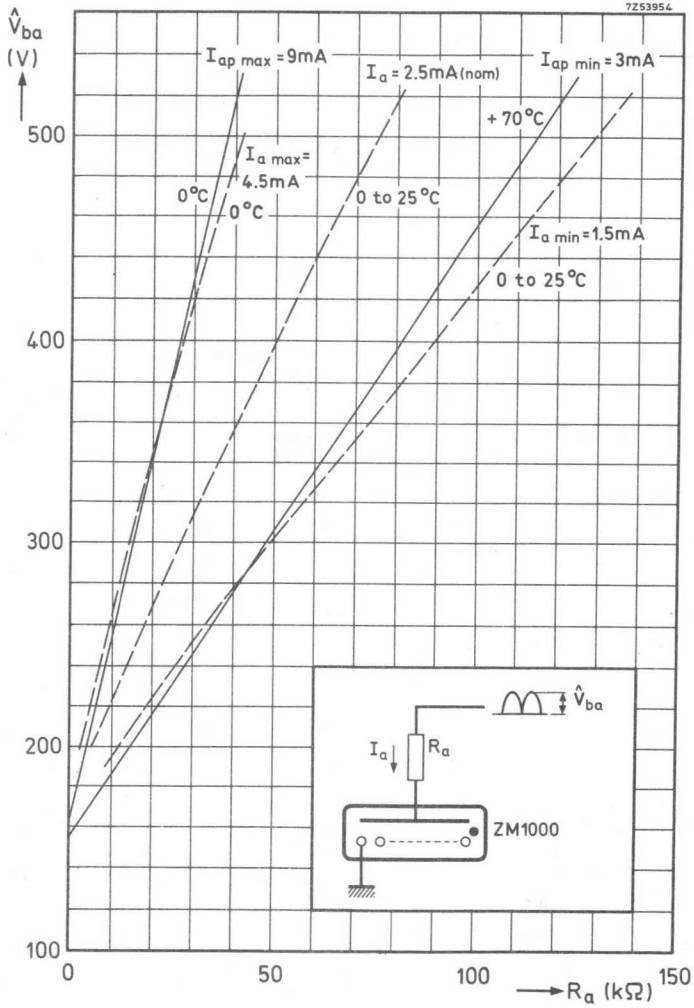
$I_{kk}$  individual and  $\sum I_{kk}$  versus cathode selecting voltage  $V_{kk}$  at  $I_a = 2.5 \text{ mA}$ .  
 $I_{kk}$  and  $\sum I_{kk}$  are proportional to the anode current within the operating range of  $I_a$  and with  $V_{kk} = 0 \text{ V}$  to  $100 \text{ V}$ .

The curves are valid for instantaneous values and for average values of anode current.



Graph denoting the relationships of D.C. anode supply voltage and required anode resistor to remain within the recommended operating region.





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## INDICATOR TUBE

Long-life cold-cathode character indicator tube for side viewing.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

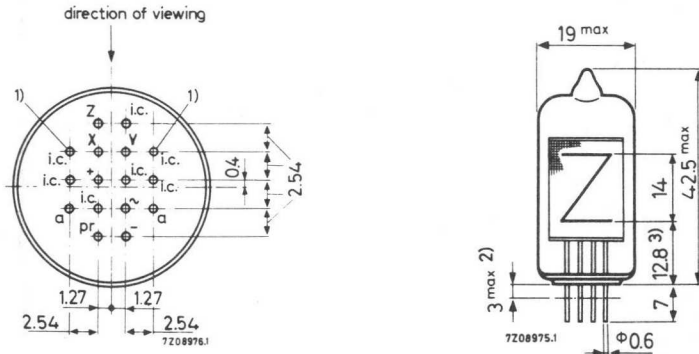
Character height	approx. 10 to 14 mm		
Characters	+, -, ~, X, Y, Z		
Supply voltage	$V_{b_a}$	min.	170 V
Anode current	$I_a$		2.5 mA

### GENERAL

Character indicator tube to be used in conjunction with ZM1000 numerical indicator tube for in-line read-out in e.g. digital instruments or numerical control applications. The ZM1001R is provided with a red contrast filter.

### DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm



Mounting and Accessories: see ZM1000

### CHARACTERISTICS, OPERATING CONDITIONS AND LIMITING VALUES

These are essential the same as of type ZM1000

- 1) Length of these i.c. pins max. 2.8 mm
- 2) Not tinned
- 3) Standard deviation 0.13 mm



## INDICATOR TUBE

Long-life cold-cathode ten-digit indicator tube for side viewing.  
The tube is designed for time-sharing (pulse) applications.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Numeral height		approx.	14	mm
Numerals		0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9		
Decimal point		to the left of the numerals		
Supply voltage	$V_{b_a}$ (pulse)	min.	170	V
Anode current, peak	$I_{a_p}$	min.	6	mA
	$I_{a_p}$	max.	20	mA
	$I_a$	max.	2.5	mA
average				

### GENERAL

The numerals are 14 mm high and appear on the same base line allowing in-line read-out. The ZM1005R is provided with a red contrast filter. The ZM1005 is identical to the ZM1005R but has no filter.

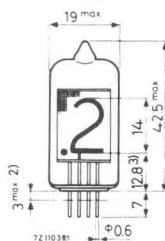
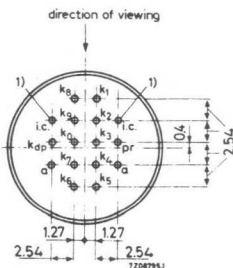
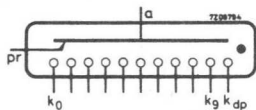
### PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION

The tube contains ten cathodes in the form of ten numerals and one in the form of a decimal point; a primer, and one common anode. By applying a suitable voltage between the anode and one of the cathodes the corresponding numeral or the decimal point will be covered by a red neon glow.

The primer allows ionization without delay in strobe type or blanking applications.

**DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS**

Dimensions in mm



The deviation of the axes of the pins with respect to the true geometrical position cover an area of 0.3 mm diameter. The pin configuration is compatible with the reference grid for printed wiring according to IEC Publication 97 (0.1 in).

Mounting position: any

Soldering

The pins may be dip-soldered at a solder temperature of max. 240 °C for maximum 10 seconds up to a point 3 mm from the seals.

Natural frequency

The natural frequencies of the numeral cathodes lie within the range from 300 Hz to 800 Hz.

**ACCESSORIES**

- 55701 Printed-wiring mounting board (19 mm x 100 mm) on which the ZM1005 can be soldered; afterwards the combination can be mounted on a vertical printed-wiring board carrying, e.g., the drive circuit. Can also be used with the snap-fit tube holder 55703.
- 55702 Tube socket (for 0.1 in grid). Phenolic. Tinned contacts.
- 55703 Snap-fit tube holder.
- 55704 Set of one left-hand and one right-hand end piece to complete the snap-fit indicator tube assembly.

1) i. c. pins max. length 2.8 mm

2) Not tinned

3) Standard deviation 0.13 mm

**CHARACTERISTICS AND OPERATING CONDITIONS**

Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	max. 170 V
Maintaining voltage	$V_m$	see page 4
Anode current, average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 20 \text{ ms}$ )	$I_a$	max. 2.5 mA
peak	$I_{ap}$	min. 6 mA
(with or without decimal point)	$I_{ap}$	max. 20 mA
Pulse duration	$T_{imp}$	min. 50 $\mu\text{s}$ <sup>1)</sup>
Cathode selecting voltage (see also page 4)	$V_{kk}$	min. 70 V <sup>2)</sup>
	$V_{kk}$	max. 115 V
Cathode resistor, decimal point	$R_{dp}$	10 $\text{k}\Omega \pm 10\%$ <sup>3)</sup>
Primer resistor (anode to primer supply voltage min. 170 V)	$R_{pr}$	10 $\text{M}\Omega \pm 10\%$
Extinguishing voltage	$V_{ext}$	min. 118 V

**LIFE EXPECTANCY** at  $I_a = 2 \text{ mA}$

The life expectancy is dependent on the instantaneous and average values of anode current:

sequentially changing the display from one digit

to the others every 100 h or less,  $I_{ap} = 10 \text{ mA}$

100 000 h

$I_{ap} = 20 \text{ mA}$

20 000 h

Mean time between failures

min. 200 000 h

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode voltage necessary for ignition, pulse	$V_{ap}$	min. 170 V
Anode current, average ( $T_{av} = 20 \text{ ms}$ )	$I_a$	max. 2.5 mA
peak	$I_{ap}$	min. 6 mA
	$I_{ap}$	max. 20 mA
Pulse duration	$T_{imp}$	min. 10 $\mu\text{s}$
Cathode selecting voltage	$V_{kk}$	min. 70 V
	$V_{kk}$	max. 115 V
"Off" anode voltage	$V_{a''off''}$	max. 115 V
Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$	min. -50 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ <sup>4)</sup>
	$t_{amb}$	max. +70 $^{\circ}\text{C}$

<sup>1)</sup> Pulse durations down to 10  $\mu\text{s}$  are allowed provided the minimum peak anode current is not less than 10 mA.

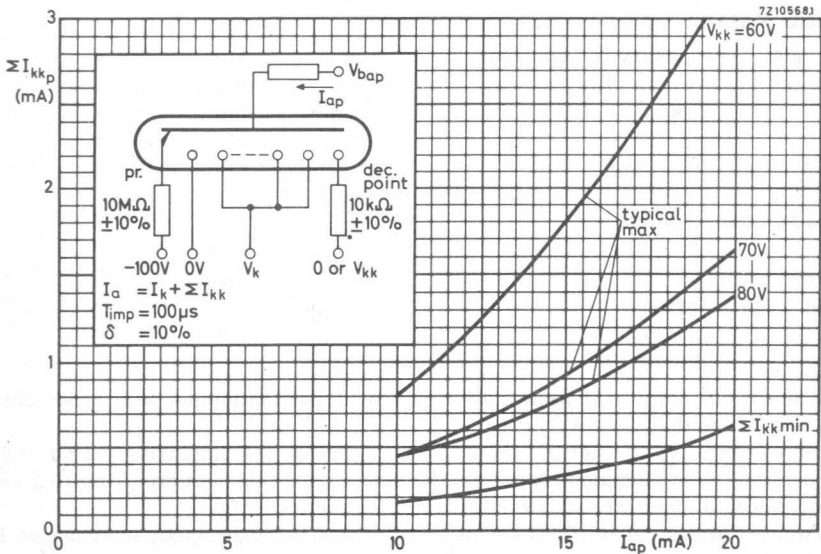
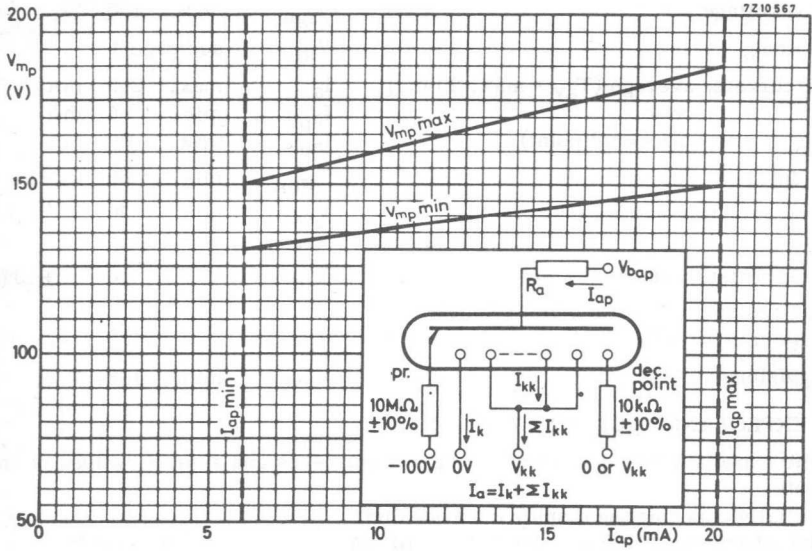
<sup>2)</sup> Lower values of  $V_{kk}$  result in increasing background glow impairing readability.

<sup>3)</sup> The decimal point cathode may not be operated without extra current limiting resistor unless a numeral cathode is operated simultaneously.

<sup>4)</sup> Bulb temperatures below 10  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  result in a reduced life expectancy and changes in characteristics.

For equipment to be used over a wide temperature range, "constant current operation" is recommended.

ZM1005  
ZM1005R





## INDICATOR TUBE

Long life cold cathode ten digit numeral indicator tube for top viewing.

QUICK REFERENCE DATA			
Numeral height		15	mm
Numerals	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0		
Supply voltage	min.	170	V
Anode current		2	mA

### GENERAL

The numerals are 15 mm high and appear on the same base line allowing in-line read out. The ZM1020 is provided with a red contrast filter.

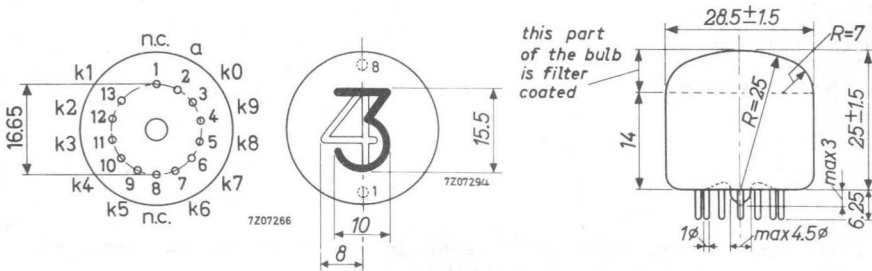
### PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION

The tube contains ten cathodes in the form of ten figures and one common anode. By applying a suitable voltage between the anode and one of the ten cathodes the corresponding numeral will be covered by a red neon glow.

### DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm

Base: B13B



Mounting position: any

The numerals are viewed through the dome of the envelope. The numerals will appear upright (within  $1.5^\circ$ ) when the tube is mounted with the line through pins 1 and 8 vertical, pin 8 being uppermost.

Accessories

Socket type 2422 505 00001  
or  
2422 505 00002

**CHARACTERISTICS AND OPERATING CONDITIONS**

(Valid over life and full temperature range)

Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	max. 170 V
Maintaining voltage	$V_m$	see sheet 4
Anode current for coverage, averaged during any conduction period	$I_a$	min. 1 mA
Anode current, average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 20 \text{ ms}$ )	$I_a$	max. 3 mA
peak	$I_{ap}$	max. 6 mA
Cathode selecting voltage	$V_{kk}$	see sheet 5
Extinguishing voltage	$V_{ext}$	min. 118 V

Typical operation <sup>1)</sup>

D.C. operation

See sheets 5 and 6

A.C. operation

See sheets 5 and 7

<sup>1)</sup> Bulb temperatures below  $10^\circ\text{C}$  result in a reduced life expectancy and changes in characteristics (see sheet 4).

In designing equipment to be used over a wide temperature range the use of "constant current operation" (high supply voltage with a high anode series resistor) is recommended.

LIFE EXPECTANCY AND RELIABILITY (at  $I_a = 2 \text{ mA}$ )

Sequentially changing the display from one digit to the others every 1000 h. or less 100.000 h

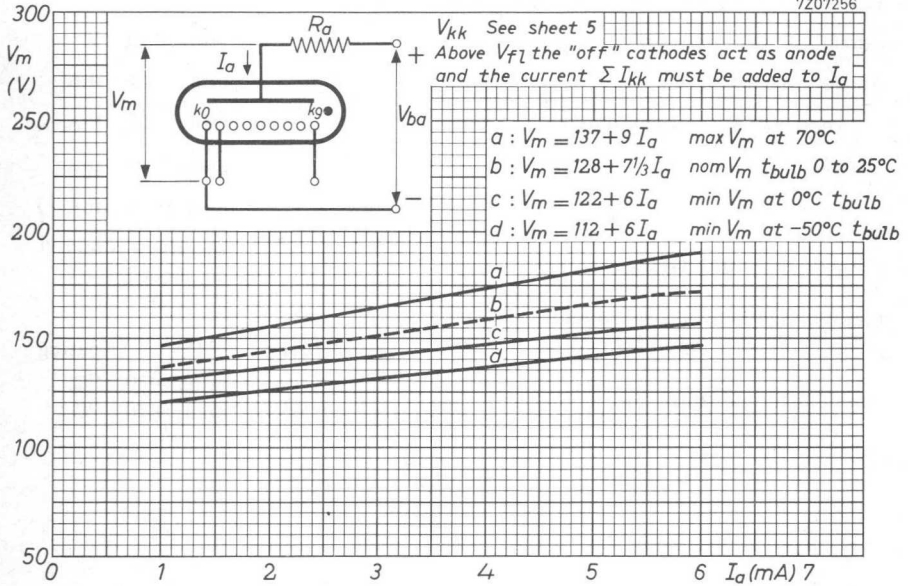
The reliability has been assessed in a life test programme totalling  $4.5 \times 10^6$  tube hours. The longest test period was 50.000 hrs on 47 tubes. No failures have been found. The Mean Time between Failures is better than  $10^6$  hrs which corresponds with a failure rate of less than 0.1 % per 1000 hrs at a confidence level of 95 %.

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode voltage necessary for ignition	$V_a$	min. 170 V
Anode current, D.C.	$I_a$	min. 1 mA
rectified A.C. and pulse	$I_{ap}$	min. 2 mA
average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 20 \text{ ms}$ )	$I_a$	max. 3 mA
peak	$I_{ap}$	max. 10 mA <sup>1)</sup>
Cathode selecting voltage	$V_{kk}$	see lines N and W on sheet 5
Bias voltage between anode and "off" cathodes (see sheet 5)	$V_{bias}$	max. $V_{floating}$
Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$	min. -50 °C max. +70 °C

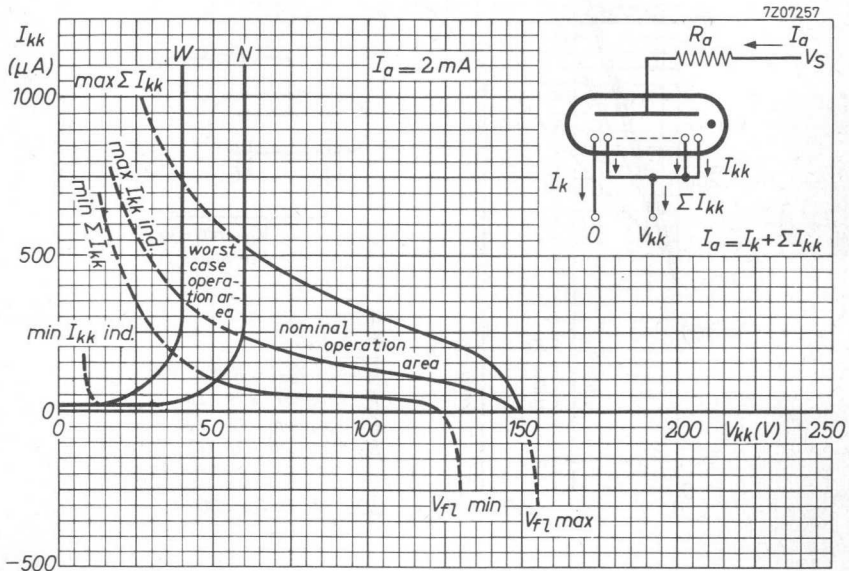
<sup>1)</sup> Above  $I_a = 6 \text{ mA}$  the connecting wires and eyelets may be covered by the glow.

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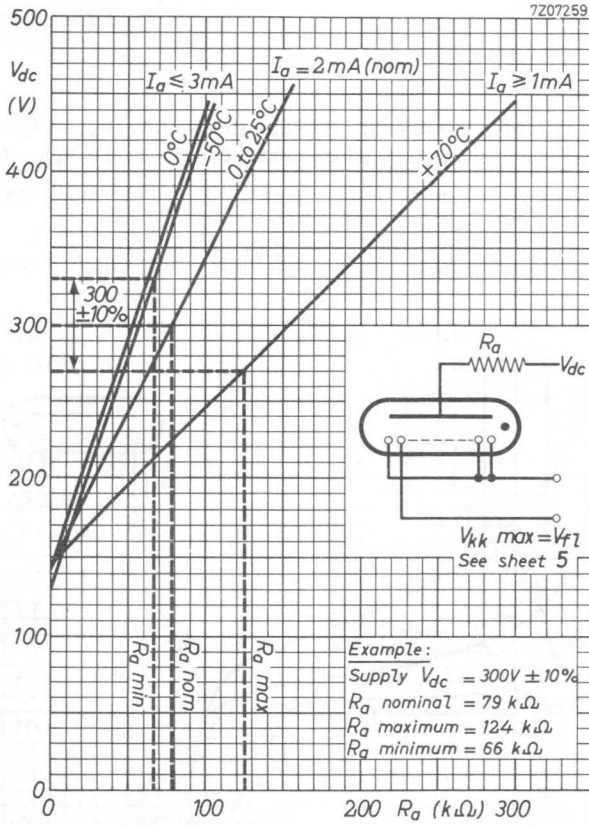


$I_{kk}$  individual and  $\Sigma I_{kk}$  versus cathode selecting voltage  $V_{kk}$  at  $I_a = 2 \text{ mA}$ .  
 $I_{kk}$  and  $\Sigma I_{kk}$  are proportional to anode current in the range  $V_{kk} = 0$  to  $100 \text{ V}$ .  
 The range of  $V_{fl}$  ( $I_{kk} = 0$ ) shifts to the right/left at increasing/decreasing anode current ( $8 \text{ V/mA}$ ).

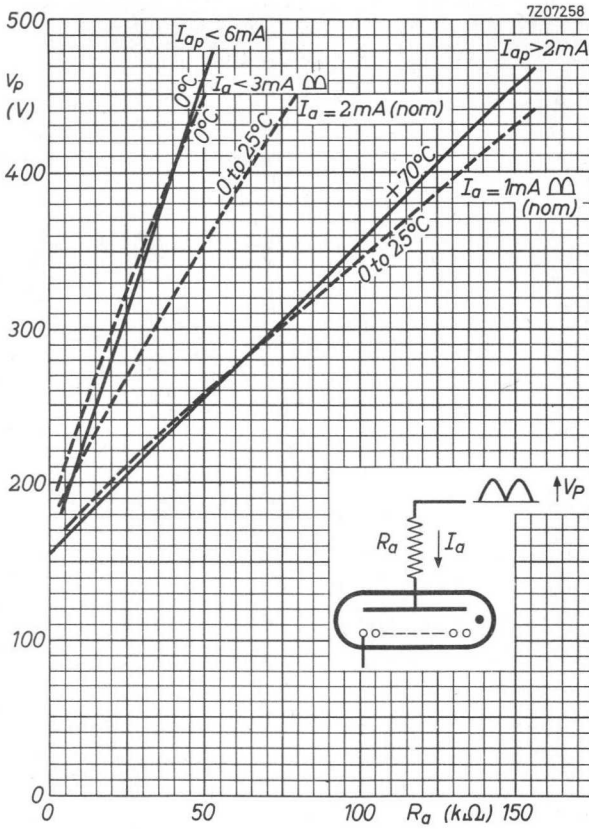
The curves are valid for instantaneous and for average values of anode current.



For low cathode selecting voltages the current  $I_{kk}$  to the "off" cathodes will increase and the readability of the "on" cathode will be affected. It is therefore recommended to use a nominal operating point to the right of line N. Under the worst operating conditions the operating point should never reach the area left of line W.



Graph denoting the relationship of D.C. anode supply voltage and required anode resistor to remain within the recommended operating region.



Graph denoting the relationship of the peak value of full-wave unsmoothed rectified A.C. anode supply voltage and the required anode resistor to remain within the recommended operating area.

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## INDICATOR TUBE

Cold cathode character indicator tube for top viewing.

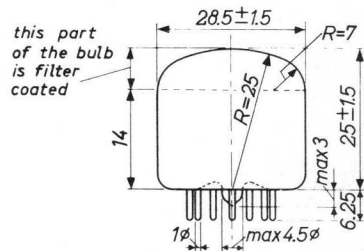
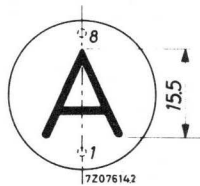
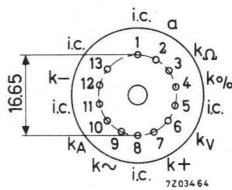
### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Character height	15 mm
Characters	A, V, Ω, %, , +, -, ~
Supply voltage	min. 170 V
Anode current	2 mA

### DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm

Base: B13B



### CHARACTERISTICS, OPERATING CONDITIONS AND LIMITING VALUES

These are essential the same as of type ZM1020.

# INDICATOR TUBE

This indicator tube is used for the detection of the presence of the following substances:

SUBSTANCE DETECTED	
1. Ammonia	White
2. Carbon dioxide	White
3. Hydrogen sulfide	Black
4. Nitrogen	White
5. Oxygen	White
6. Sulfur dioxide	White
7. Water vapor	White

For further information see page 15013

DIMENSIONAL DRAWING (SEE PAGE 15014)



CHARACTERISTICS: The indicator tube is designed for use in a variety of environments and is capable of detecting the presence of the following substances:

1. Ammonia

2. Carbon dioxide

3. Hydrogen sulfide

4. Nitrogen

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6. Sulfur dioxide

7. Water vapor

## INDICATOR TUBE

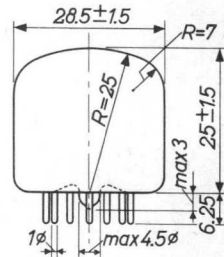
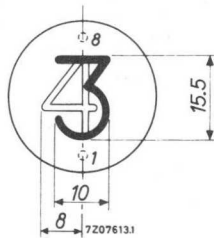
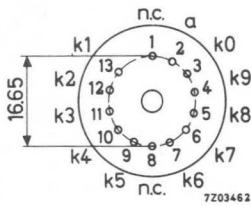
The type ZM1022 is electrically identical with type ZM1020 but has no filter coating.

The use of a separate blue absorbing e.g. circular polarized amber filter is recommended.

### DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm

Base: B13B



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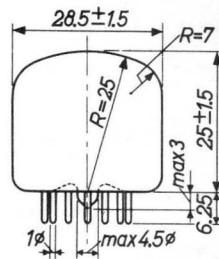
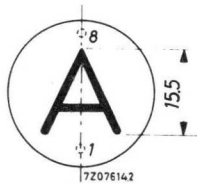
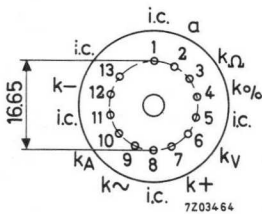
The type ZM1023 is electrically identical with type ZM1021 but has no filter coating.

The use of a separate blue absorbing e.g. circular polarized amber filter is recommended.

## DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm

Base: B13B



# INDICATOR TUBE

The indicator tube is a device used for measuring the volume of gas evolved in a chemical reaction. It consists of a glass tube with a bulb at one end and a stopcock at the other. The bulb is filled with a liquid, and the gas to be measured is introduced into the tube. The volume of gas is determined by the displacement of the liquid in the tube.

The indicator tube is used in a variety of chemical reactions, including the reaction of acids with metals, the reaction of acids with carbonates, and the reaction of acids with sulfides. It is also used in the determination of the volume of gas evolved in a reaction.



# INDICATOR TUBE

Cold cathode character indicator tube for top viewing

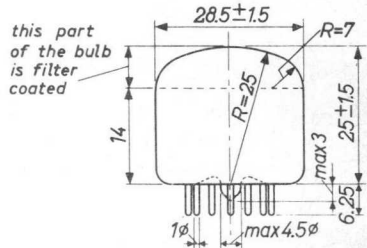
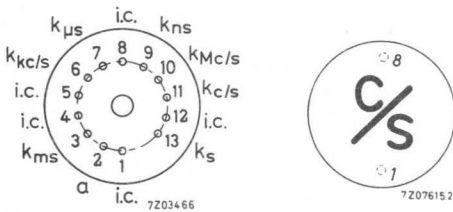
QUICK REFERENCE DATA	
Characters	c/s, Kc/s, Mc/s, $\mu$ s, ms, ns, s

This tube is mechanically compatible with type ZM1020

## DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm

Base: B13B



## CHARACTERISTICS , OPERATING CONDITIONS AND LIMITING VALUES

These are essential the same as of type ZM1020.

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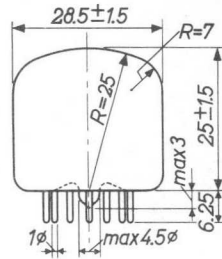
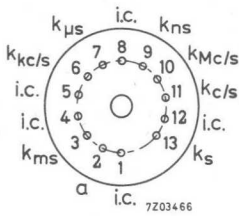
The type ZM1025 is electrically identical with type ZM1024 but has no filter coating.

The use of a separate blue absorbing, e.g. circular polarized, filter is recommended.

### DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm

Base: B13B



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## INDICATOR TUBE

Cold cathode gas-filled biquinary numerical indicator tube for side viewing.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Numerical height		15.5 mm
Numerals		0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
Supply voltage	$V_{ba}$	> 170 V
Anode current	$I_a$	4 mA
Cathode selecting voltage	$V_{kk}$	50 V
Extinction voltage	$V_{ext}$	110 V
Screen supply voltage	$V_{bs}$	50 V
"Off" anode supply voltage	$V_{ba}$ "off"	100 V

### GENERAL

The numerals are 15.5 mm high and appear on the same base line allowing in-line read-out. The ZM1030 is provided with a red contrast filter.

### PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION

A transparent screen divides the tube into two sections:

- The front section, containing the front- or "odd" anode and the cathode numerals 1-3-5-7-9.
- The rear section, containing the rear- or "even" anode and the cathode numerals 0-2-4-6-8.

The cathodes are internally connected in pairs: 0-1, 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9.

By applying a suitable voltage between a cathode pair and the "odd" anode the "odd" cathode of that pair will be covered by a red neon glow.

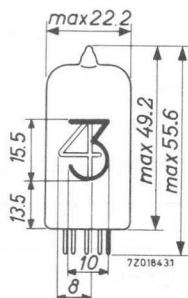
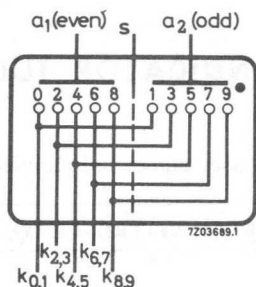
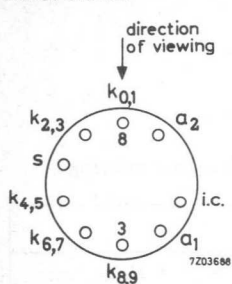
Switching from one number of a pair to the other of that pair is accomplished by decreasing the voltage on the operating anode and simultaneously increasing the voltage on the other anode. <sup>1)</sup>

<sup>1)</sup> When mechanical or low speed switching is used, a "make before break" arrangement is preferred. During switching the shield connection and the shield supply should be maintained.

## DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Base: Noval

Dimensions in mm



### Mounting position

When mounted with the base down the viewing direction will coincide with the line from pin 8 through pin 3 ( $\pm 5^\circ$ ).

## CHARACTERISTICS, RANGE VALUES AND OPERATING CONDITIONS

Reference point for all electrode voltages is the "on" cathode. During operation no electrode should be left floating. See fig.1

Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	< 170 V
Maintaining voltage	$V_m$	See page 5 and 6
Anode current for coverage, average during any conduction period	$I_a$	> 3 mA
Anode current, average, $T_{av} = 20$ ms	$I_a$	< 5 mA
peak, 50 to 60 pps	$I_{ap}$	< 12 mA
Cathode selecting voltage <sup>1)</sup>	$V_{kk}$	> 40 V <sup>2)</sup> < 110 V
"Off" anode supply voltage	$V_{ba}$ "off"	> 85 V < 115 V
Screen voltage	$V_s$	See page 8
Extinction voltage	$V_{ext}$	> 110 V

1) The cathode selecting voltage is the voltage difference  $V_{kk}$  used for discrimination between the "off" cathodes and the "on" cathode.

2) At low values of  $V_{kk}$ , the contrast of the display will be reduced due to glow on adjacent numerals. This will not affect the life of the tube.

Operating conditions

D.C. operation	$V_{ba}$	200	220	250	300	V
	$R_a$	15	20	27	39	$k\Omega$
A.C. operation half wave rectified 50 to 60 c/s	$V_{ba}$	170	220	250	300	V
	$R_a$	10	18	24	33	$k\Omega$
full wave rectified 100 to 120 c/s	$V_{ba}$	170	220	250	300	V
	$R_a$	15	27	33	47	$k\Omega$

LIFE EXPECTANCY at  $I_a = 4$  mA

Sequentially changing the display from one digit to another every 500 hours or less

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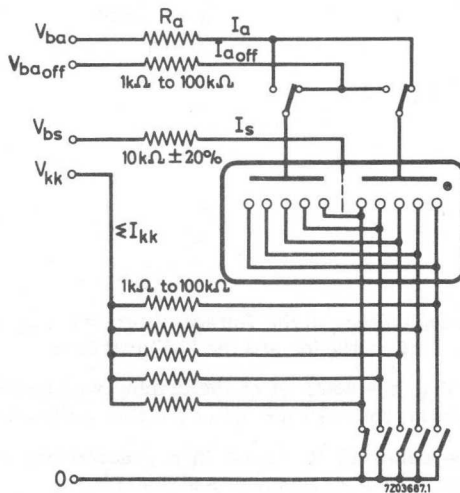


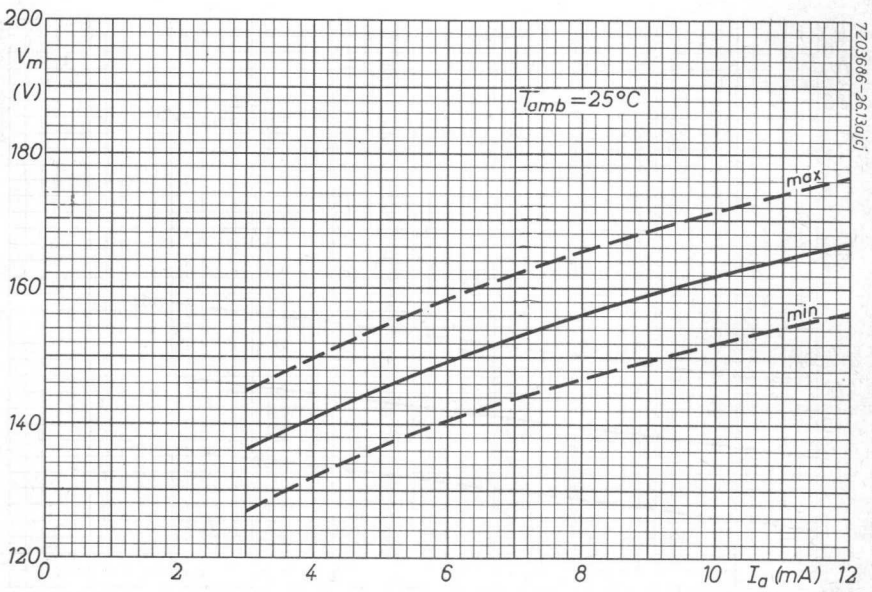
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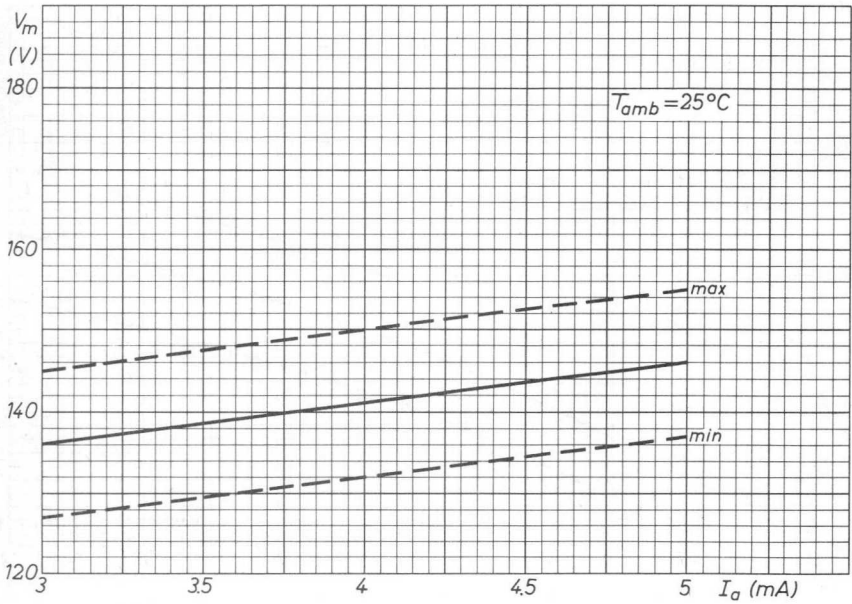
**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system) See fig.1

Anode voltage necessary for ignition	$V_a$	min. 170 V 4)
Anode current,		
average during any conduction period	$I_a$	min. 3 mA
average $T_{AV} = \text{max. } 20 \text{ ms}$	$I_a$	max. 5 mA
peak	$I_{ap}$	max. 12 mA
Cathode selecting voltage 1)	$V_{kk}$	min. 40 V 2) max. 110 V
"Off" anode supply voltage	$V_{ba}$ "off"	min. 85 V max. 115 V
Screen voltage	$V_s$	min. 40 V max. 80 V
Bulb temperature,		
storage	$t_{bulb}$	max. +70 °C min. -55 °C
operation	$t_{bulb}$	max. +70 °C min. +15 °C 3)

**REMARK**  $I_a = I_k + I_{kk} + I_s$

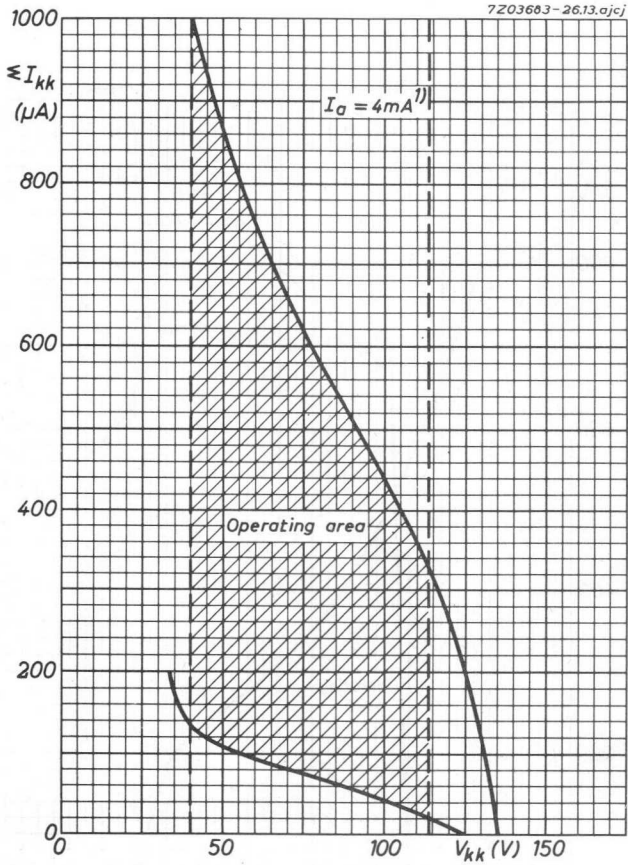
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- 2) At low values of  $V_{kk}$ , the contrast of the display will be reduced due to glow on adjacent numerals. This will not affect the life of the tube.
- 3) Bulb temperatures below 15 °C result in a reduced life expectancy, larger spread and changes in characteristics. See also note 4).
- 4) The minimum supply voltage should be as stated. However the use of the highest voltage available with the appropriate series resistor to maintain the anode current within the specified limit is recommended. The use of "constant current operation" (high supply voltage with high resistor) is recommended when designing equipment operation over a wide temperature range.





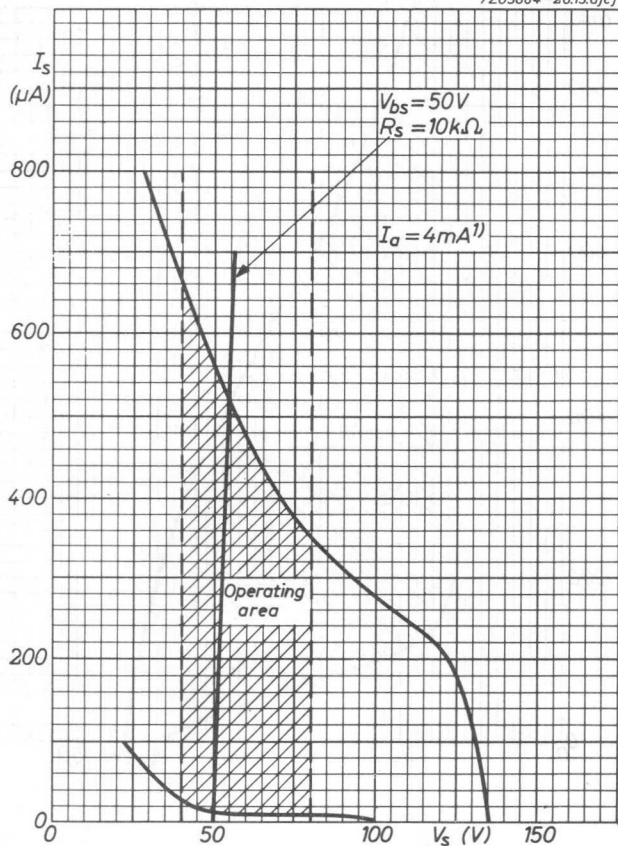
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The max. value of  $I_{kk}$  to any one pair of numbers will be 55% of  $I_{kk}$ .

<sup>1)</sup> The values of  $I_{kk}$  varies with anode current. Each mA increase or decrease of  $I_a$  results in max. 40% increase or decrease respectively of  $I_{kk}$ .



1) The value of  $I_S$  varies with anode current. Each mA increase or decrease of  $I_a$  results in max. 30% increase or decrease respectively of  $I_S$ .

## INDICATOR TUBE

Cold cathode sign indicator tube for side viewing.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Sign height	15 mm	
Signs	+ - ~	
Supply voltage	$V_{ba}$	min. 170 V
Anode current	$I_a$	3 mA

### GENERAL

This tube has the same physical dimensions as the biquinary numerical indicator tube ZM1030. The ZM1031/01 is provided with a red contrast filter.

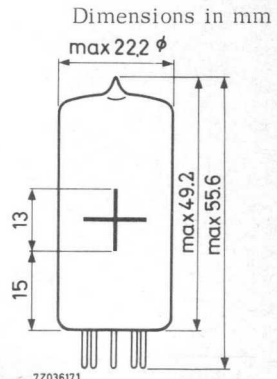
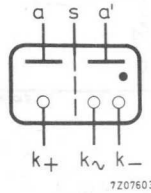
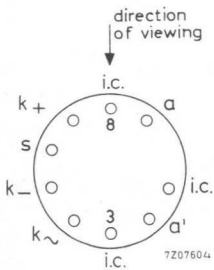
### PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION

The tube contains two anodes and three cathodes in the form of the signs, and a shield. The anodes and the shield should be interconnected externally. See Fig.1, page 2.

By applying a suitable voltage between the required sign and the interconnected anodes, the sign will be covered by a red neon glow.

### DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Base: Noval



Mounting position: any

The signs are viewed through the side of the envelope.

**CHARACTERISTICS AND OPERATING CONDITIONS**

Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	<	170 V
Maintaining voltage at $I_a = 3$ mA	$V_m$		140 V
Anode current,			
average during any conduction period for coverage	$I_a$	>	2 mA
average, $T_{av} = 20$ ms	$I_a$	<	4 mA
peak	$I_{ap}$	<	10 mA
Incremental resistance	$r_a$		4.5 k $\Omega$

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode voltage necessary for ignition	$V_a$	min.	170 V
Anode current,			
average during any conduction period	$I_a$	min.	2 mA
average ( $T_{av} = 20$ ms)	$I_a$	max.	4 mA
peak	$I_{ap}$	max.	10 mA
Bulb temperature	$t_{bulb}$	min.	-55 °C <sup>1)</sup>
		max.	+70 °C

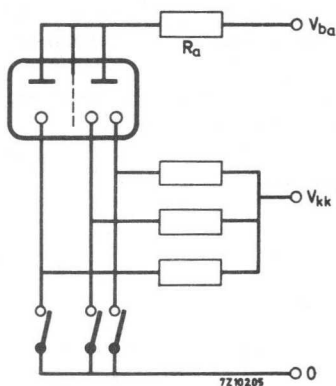


Fig.1

<sup>1)</sup> Below 10 °C the life expectancy is substantially reduced.

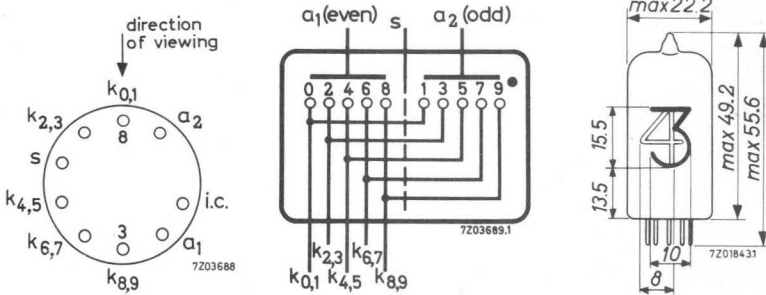
## INDICATOR TUBE

The type ZM1032 is electrically identical with type ZM1030 but has no filter coating. The use of a separate blue absorbing e.g. circular polarized amber filter is recommended.

### DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm

Base: Noval



# INSTRUCTIONS

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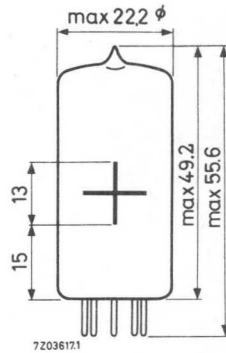
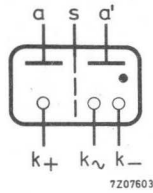
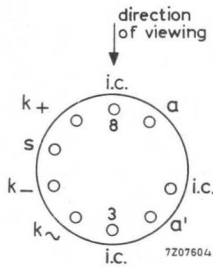
The type ZM1033/01 is electrically identical with type ZM1031/01 but has no filter coating.

The use of a separate bleu absorbing e.g. circular polarized amber filter is recommended.

### DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm

Base: Noval



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The history of the city of London, from its first settlement to the present time, is a subject of great interest and importance. It is a subject which has attracted the attention of many of the most distinguished historians of the world. The history of London is a subject which has been treated in many different ways, and it is difficult to find a single work which gives a complete and accurate account of its history.

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## INDICATOR TUBE

Cold cathode ten digit numeral indicator tube for side viewing.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Numeral height	30 mm	
Numerals	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0	
Supply voltage	$V_{ba}$ min.	170 V
Cathode current	$I_k$	4.5 mA

### GENERAL

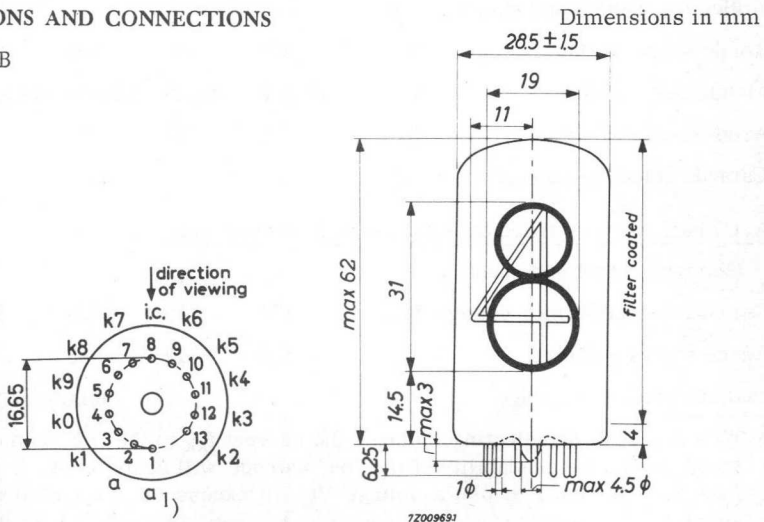
The numerals are 30 mm high and appear on the same base line allowing in-line read out. The ZM1040 is provided with a red contrast filter.

### PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION

The tube contains ten cathodes in the form of ten figures and one common anode. By applying a suitable voltage between the anode and one of the ten cathodes the corresponding numeral will be covered by a red neon glow.

### DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Base: B13B



Mounting position: any

The numerals are viewed through the side of the envelope. The numerals will appear upright (within 1.5°) when the tube is mounted vertically.

Accessories

Socket type 2422 505 00001  
or 2422 505 00002

## CHARACTERISTICS AND OPERATING CONDITIONS

Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	max.	170 V
Maintaining voltage	$V_m$	see sheet 5	
Cathode current for coverage, average, during any conduction period	$I_k$	min.	3 mA
Cathode current, average ( $T_{av} = 20$ ms)	$I_k$	max.	6 mA
peak	$I_{kp}$	max.	20 mA
Cathode selecting voltage	$V_{kk}$	see sheet 6	
Extinguishing voltage	$V_{ext}$	min.	120 V

Typical operation at temperatures  $t_{amb} = 10$  to  $50$  °C

D.C. operation with or without  $V_{kk}$

(See fig.1 and 3 and sheets 5 and 6)

Anode supply voltage	$V_{ba}$	200	250	300	350 V
Maintaining voltage	$V_m$	$140 \pm 10$	$140 \pm 10$	$140 \pm 10$	$140 \pm 10$ V
Anode series resistor	$R_a$	15	27	39	47 k $\Omega$
Cathode selecting voltage	$V_{kk}$			min.	60 V <sup>1)</sup>

A.C. half-wave rectified operation with or without  $V_{kk}$

(See fig.2 and 4 and sheet 5)

Secondary transformer voltage	$V_{tr}$	170	220	250	300 V
Anode series resistor	$R_a$	5.6	12	18	27 k $\Omega$
Cathode selecting voltage	$V_{kk}$			min.	60 V <sup>1)</sup>

<sup>1)</sup> With low cathode selecting voltages the current  $I_{kk}$  to the "off" cathodes will increase and the readability of the "on" cathode will be affected. It is therefore recommended to use a voltage  $V_{kk}$  in excess off the stated minimum value.

**LIFE EXPECTANCY** at  $I_k = 4.5 \text{ mA}$

Sequentially changing the display from one digit  
to the others every 1000 hours or less

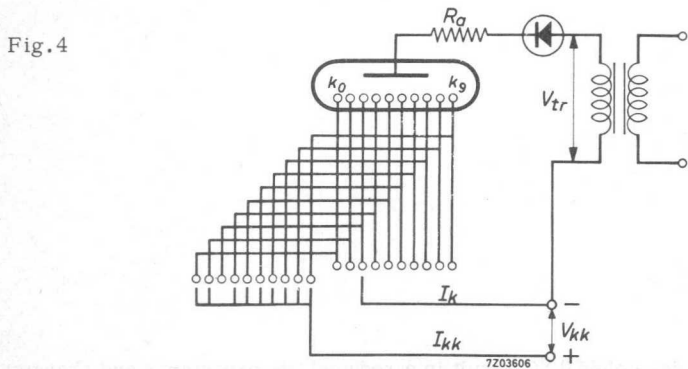
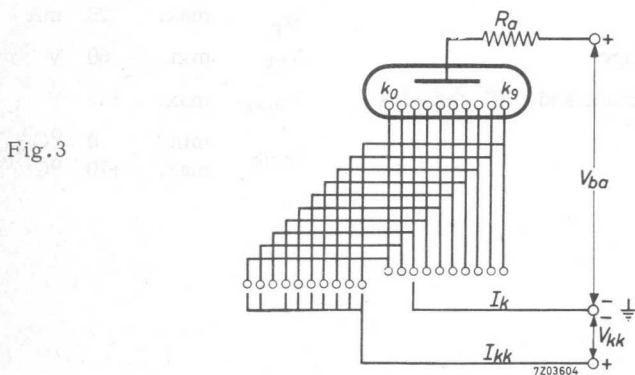
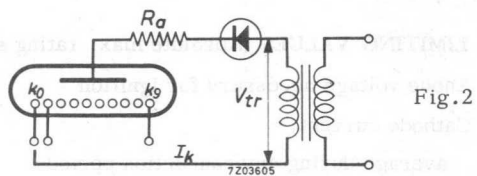
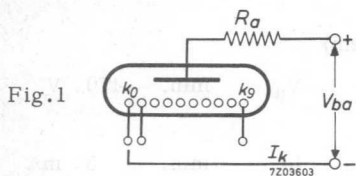
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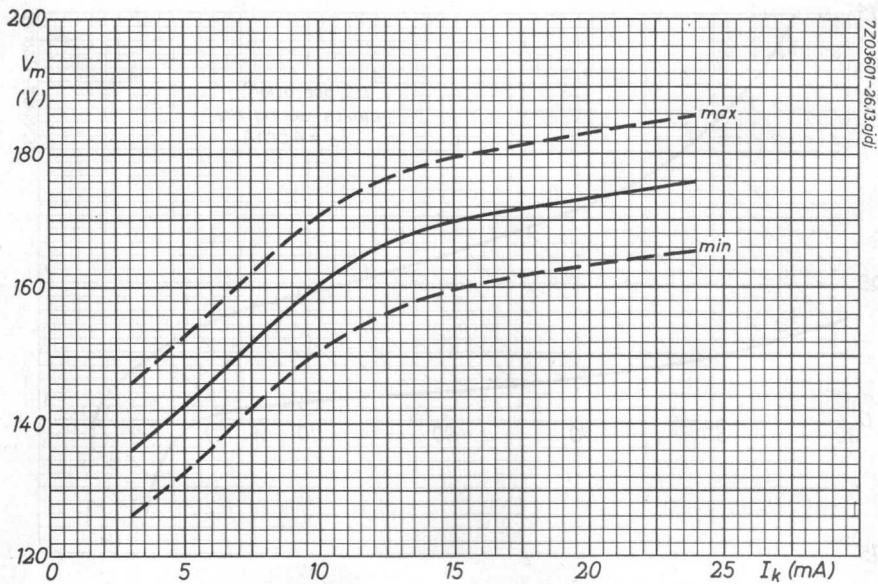
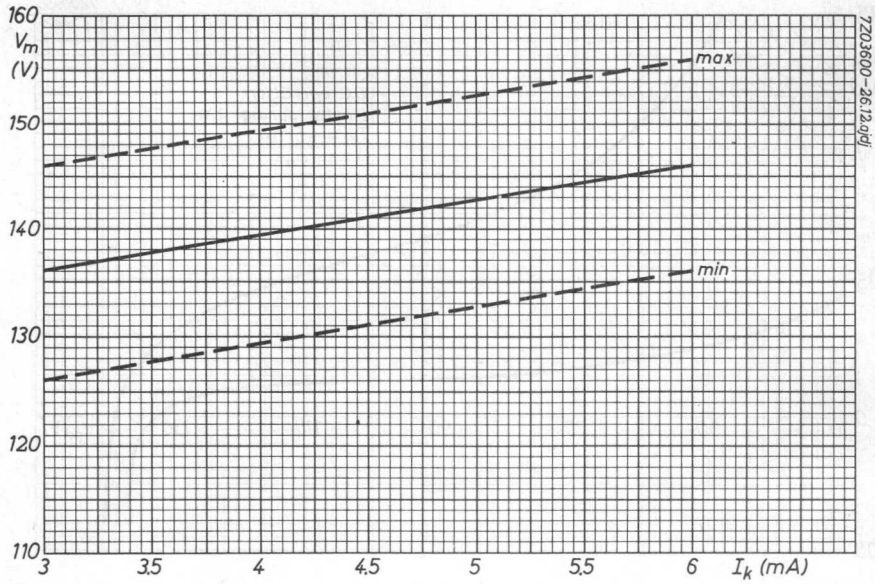
**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode voltage necessary for ignition	$V_a$	min.	170 V
Cathode current,			
average during any conduction period	$I_k$	min.	3 mA
average ( $T_{av} = 20 \text{ ms}$ )	$I_k$	max.	6 mA
peak	$I_{kp}$	max.	20 mA
Cathode selection voltage	$V_{kk}$	min.	60 V
Bias voltage between anode and "off" cathodes	$V_{bias}$	max.	120 V
Bulb temperature	$t_{bulb}$	min.	0 °C <sup>1)</sup>
		max.	+70 °C

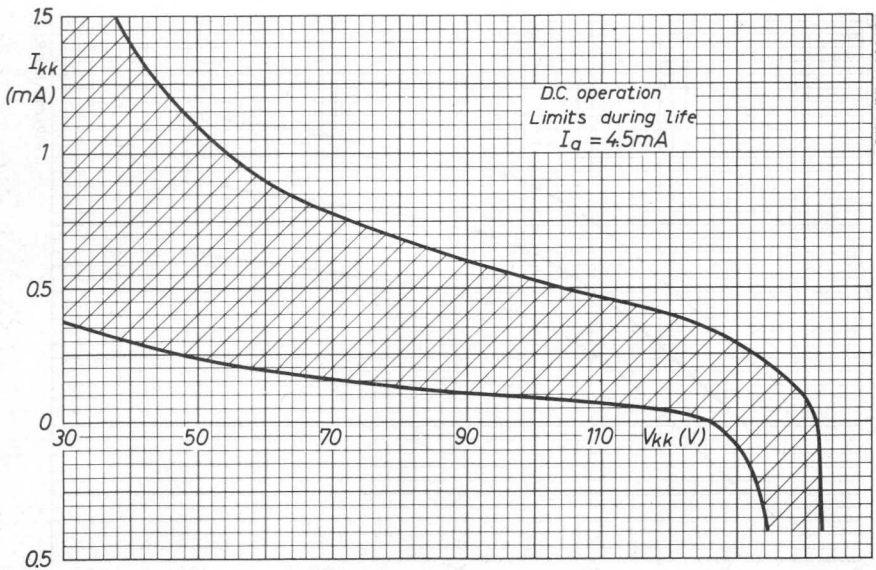
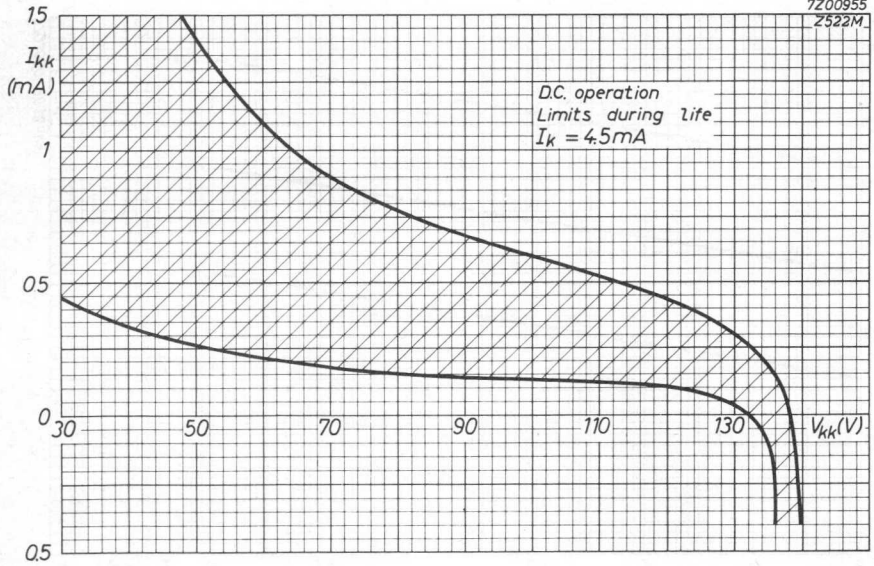
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In designing equipment to be used over a wide temperature range the use of "constant current operation" (high supply voltage with a high anode series resistor) is recommended.

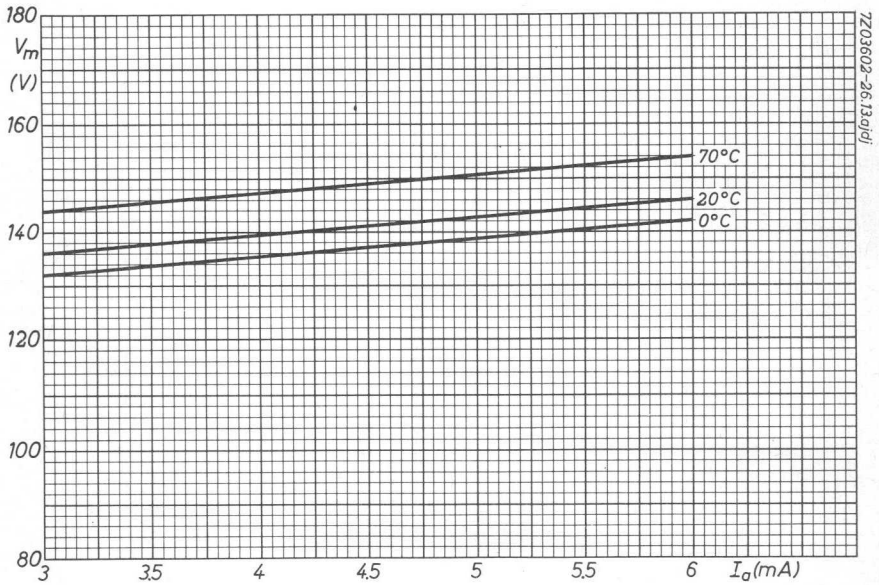


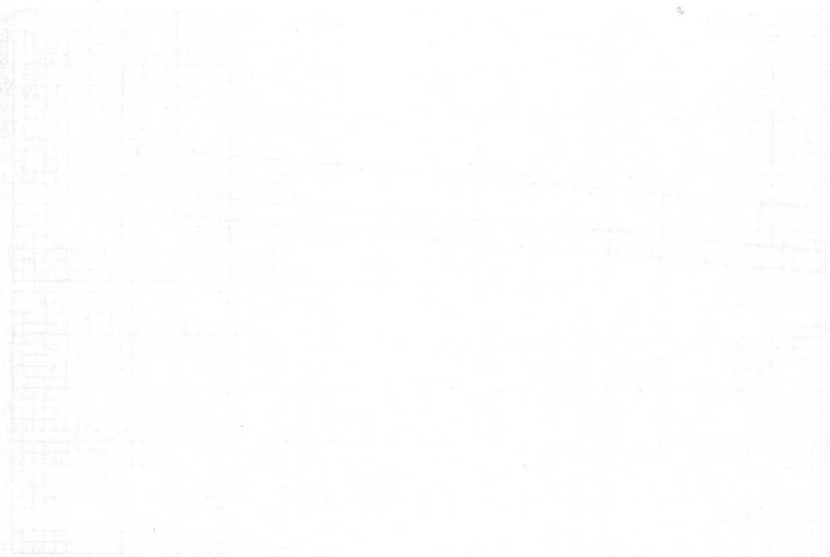


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## INDICATOR TUBE

Cold cathode sign indicator tube for side viewing.

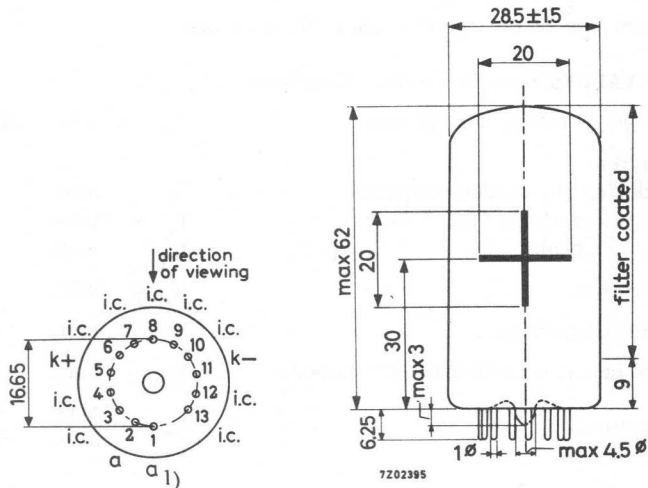
### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Sign height	20 mm
Signs	+ -
Supply voltage	170 V
Cathode current	4.5 mA

### DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm

Base: B13B



### GENERAL

The tube has the same physical dimensions as the ZM1040 numeral indicator tube. The ZM1041 is provided with a red contrast filter.

1) Pins 1 and 2 to be interconnected externally.

**CHARACTERISTICS**

Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	max.	170 V
Maintaining voltage	$V_m$	see sheets 3 and 4	
Extinguishing voltage	$V_{ext}$	min.	120 V
"Off" cathode probe current characteristic			see sheet 4

**PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION**

The tube contains two cathodes, in the form of the signs + and -, and a common anode. By applying a suitable voltage between the anode and one of the cathodes the corresponding sign will be covered by a red neon glow.

**ACCESSORIES**

Socket 2422 505 00001, 2422 505 00002 or 2422 505 00003

**MOUNTING POSITION**

Any

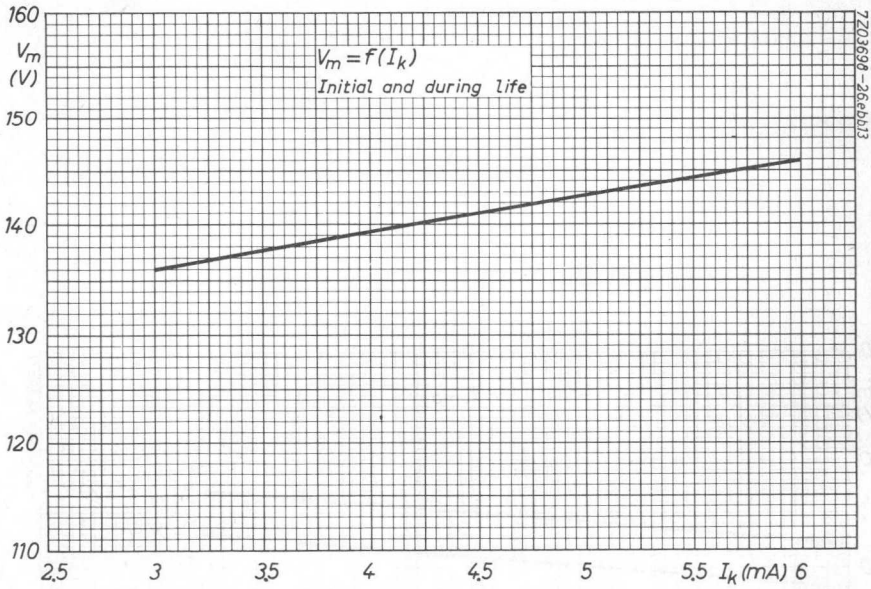
The signs are viewed through the side of the envelope.

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

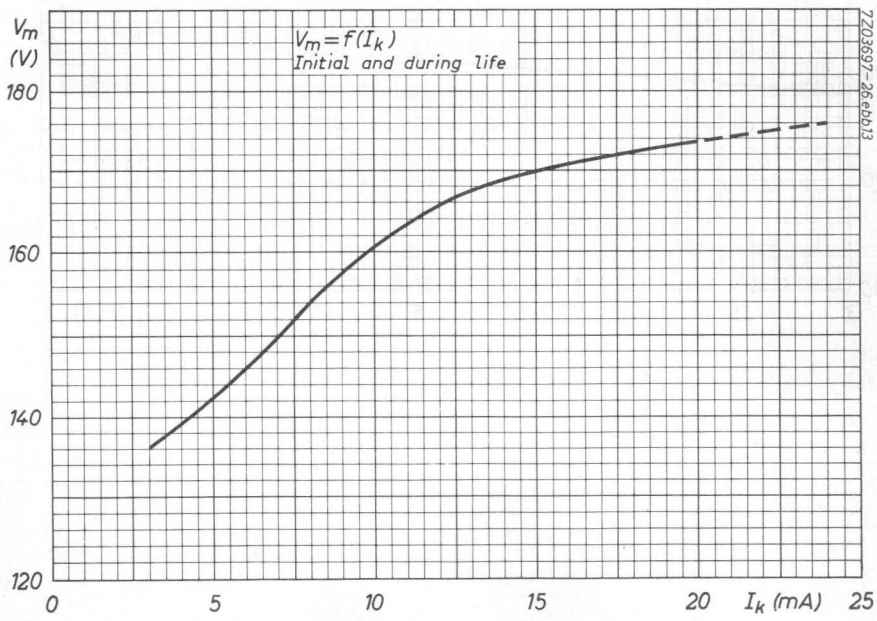
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Cathode current,			
average during any conduction period	$I_k$	min.	3 mA
average ( $T_{av} = 20$ ms)	$I_k$	max.	6 mA
peak	$I_{kp}$	max.	20 mA
Impulse duration	$T_{imp}$	min.	80 $\mu$ s
Cathode selecting voltage	$V_{kk}$	min.	60 V
Bias voltage between anode and "off" cathode	$V_{bias}$	max.	120 V
Bulb temperature	$t_{bulb}$	max.	+70 $^{\circ}$ C <sup>1)</sup>
		min.	-50 $^{\circ}$ C

<sup>1)</sup> Bulb temperatures below 10  $^{\circ}$ C result in a reduced life expectancy and changes in characteristics (see sheet 4).

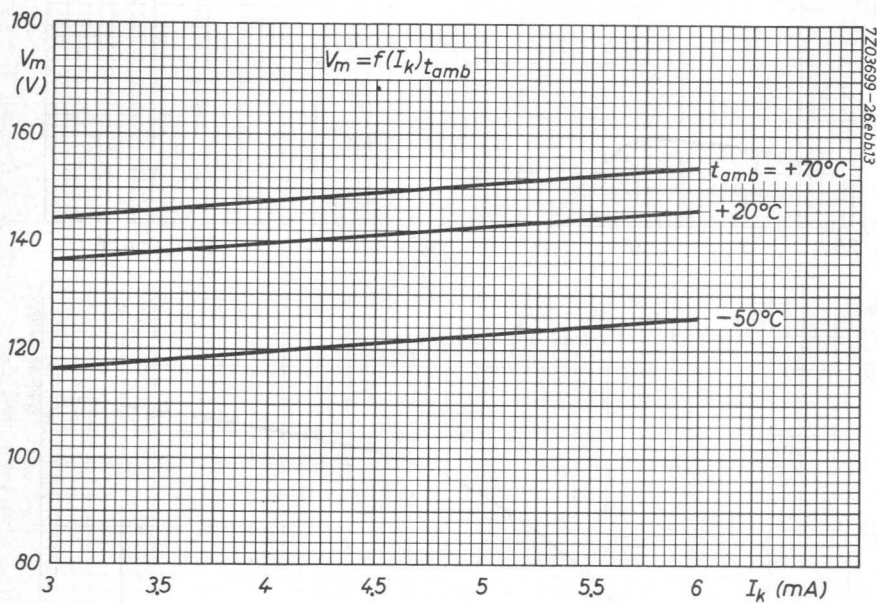
In designing equipment to be used within a wide temperature range the use of "constant current operation" (high supply voltage with a high anode series resistor) is recommended.



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## INDICATOR TUBE

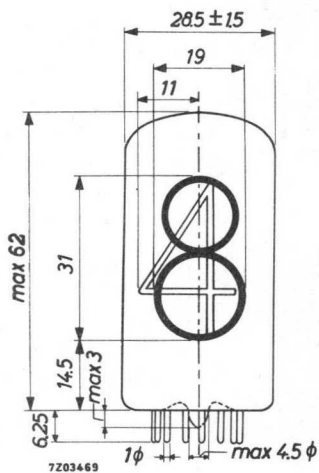
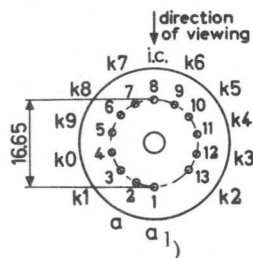
The type ZM1042 is electrically identical with type ZM1040 but has no filter coating.

The use of a separate blue absorbing, e.g. circular polarized amber filter is recommended.

### DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm

Base: B13B



1) Pins 1 and 2 to be interconnected externally.

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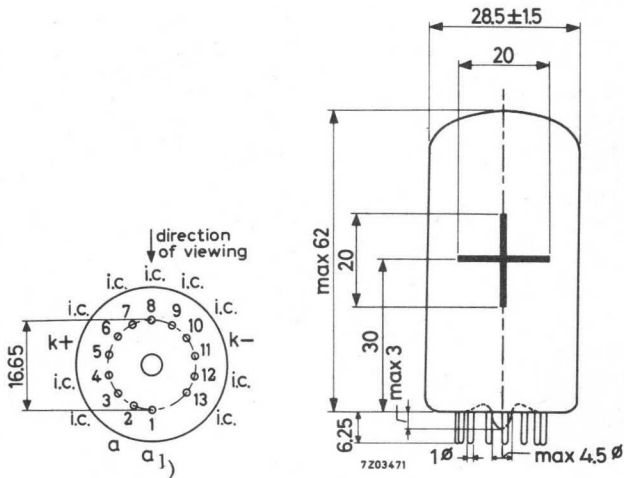
## INDICATOR TUBE

The type ZM1043 is electrically identical with type ZM1041 but has no filter coating. The use of a separate blue absorbing, e.g. circular polarized amber filter is recommended.

### DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm

Base: B13B



<sup>1)</sup> Pins 1 and 2 to be interconnected externally.

# INDICATOR TUBE

The indicator tube is used for the detection of the presence of the gas in the sample. It is a glass tube containing a liquid which changes color when it comes in contact with the gas. The color change is due to the reaction between the gas and the liquid. The color change is observed through the glass tube.

Dimensions in mm

INDICATOR TUBE



The indicator tube is used for the detection of the presence of the gas in the sample.



# INDICATOR TUBE

Cold cathode numerical indicator tube for top viewing.

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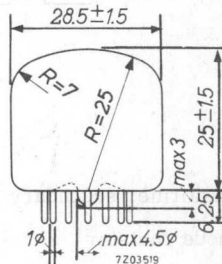
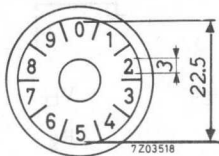
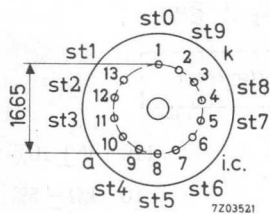
## QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Numeral height		3 mm
Numerals	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0	
Supply voltage	$V_{ba}$	90 Va. c.
Cathode current	$I_k$	3 mA
Starter selecting voltage		5 V

## DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm

Base: B13B



## GENERAL

The 3 mm high numerals are displayed in radial form.

The tube is primarily intended for use in circuits with transistor control.

## PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION

The pulsating d. c. supply voltage (preferably half sine waves) causes one of the ten pure molybdenum cathode positions to glow. This position will be determined by the voltage level of corresponding starter being a few volts above the level of the remaining starters.

## ACCESSORIES

Socket

2422 505 00001 or 2422 505 00002

## MOUNTING POSITION

Any

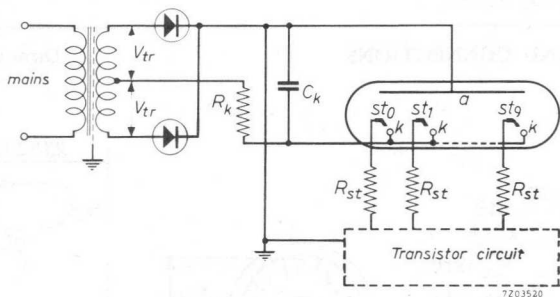
The numerals are viewed through the dome of the envelope.

The numerals appear upright when the tube is mounted with the line through pins 1 and 8, vertical pin 1 being uppermost.

Number 0 is aligned with pin 1 to within 3°.

## CHARACTERISTICS AND OPERATING CONDITIONS

### Recommended circuit



Transformer secondary voltage	$V_{tr}$	110	$V \pm 10\%$ <sup>1)</sup>
Cathode resistor	$R_k$	10	$k\Omega \pm 5\%$
Starter series resistor	$R_{st}$	330	$k\Omega$ <sup>2)</sup>
Shunting capacitor	$C_k$	33	nF <sup>1)</sup>
Starter selecting voltage	$V_{st-st}$	See sheet 4 upper figure and 2) on page 3	
Starter current	$I_{st}$	50	$\mu A$
Maintaining voltage	$V_m$	84	V
Recommended cathode current	$I_k$	3	mA

<sup>1)</sup> The rectified a.c. voltage should be free from spikes.  
A shunting capacitor  $C_k$  of 33 nF serves this purpose.

<sup>2)</sup> This resistor should be mounted close to the tube socket.

**LIFE EXPECTANCY** at recommended operating conditions and room temperature

Continuous display of one digit		1000 h	1)
Sequentially changing the display from one digit to the others every 100 h or less	min.	20 000 h	

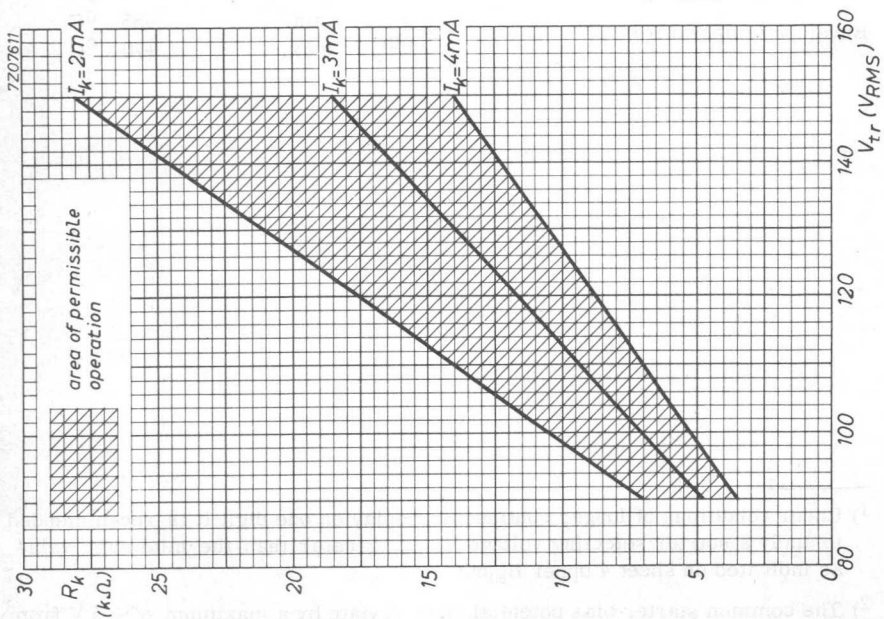
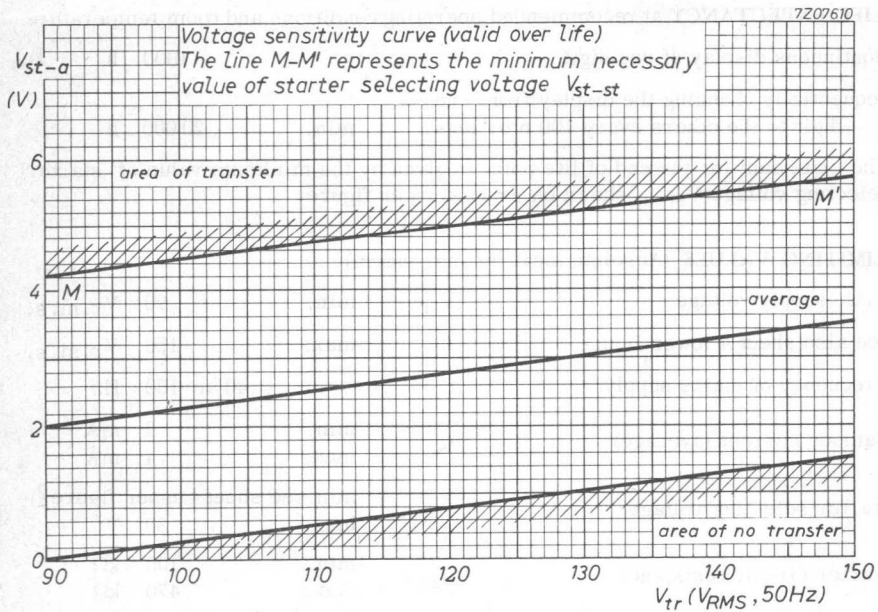
The criterium for the end of life point is given by the minimum value of starter selecting voltage  $V_{st-st}$  shown on sheet 4 upper figure.

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

A.C. supply voltage	$V_{tr}$	min.	90 V <sub>r.m.s.</sub>
See also sheet 4 lower figure	$V_{tr}$	max.	150 V <sub>r.m.s.</sub>
Frequency of mains supply	f		40 to 100 Hz
Cathode current (average)	$I_k$	min.	2 mA
		max.	4 mA
Starter selecting voltage	$V_{st-st}$	min. see sheet 4 upper figure <sup>2)</sup>	
		max.	30 V
Starter circuit resistance	$R_{st}$	min.	100 k $\Omega$
		max.	470 k $\Omega$
Envelope temperature	$t_{bulb}$	min.	-55 °C
		max.	+70 °C

1) Under conditions of longer continuous display on one digit it is recommended to apply a starter selecting voltage  $V_{st-st}$  greater than the minimum value, as indicated on sheet 4 upper figure.

2) The common starter bias potential may deviate by a maximum of  $\pm 5$  V from the anode potential.



## INDICATOR TUBE

Cold cathode ten digit side viewing numeral indicator tube

QUICK REFERENCE DATA		
Numeral height		13 mm
Numerals	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0	
Supply voltage	$V_b$	min. 170 V
Cathode current	$I_k$	2 mA
Distance between mounting centres		min. 19 mm

### GENERAL

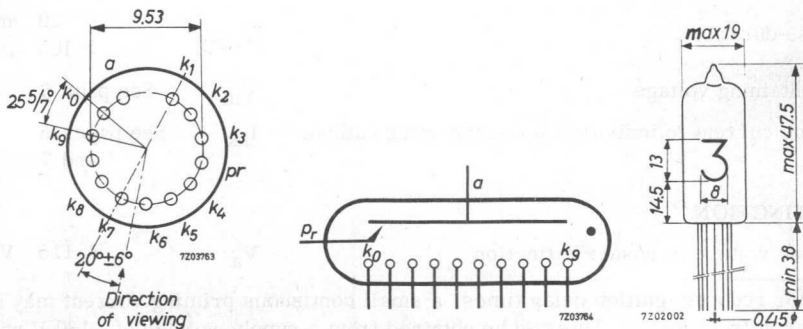
The numerals are 13 mm high and appear on the same base line allowing in-line read out. The ZM1080 is provided with a red contrast filter. The ZM1082 is identical to the ZM1080 but has no filter.

### PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION

The tube contains ten cathodes in the form of ten figures and one common anode. By applying a suitable voltage between the anode and one of the ten cathodes the corresponding figure will be covered by a red neon glow.

### DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm





**LIFE EXPECTANCY**

Under recommended operating conditions and  $t_{amb} = \text{room}$

Continuous display of one digit <sup>1)</sup>	> 5000 h
Sequentially changing the display from one digit to another every 100 hours or less	> 30 000 h

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

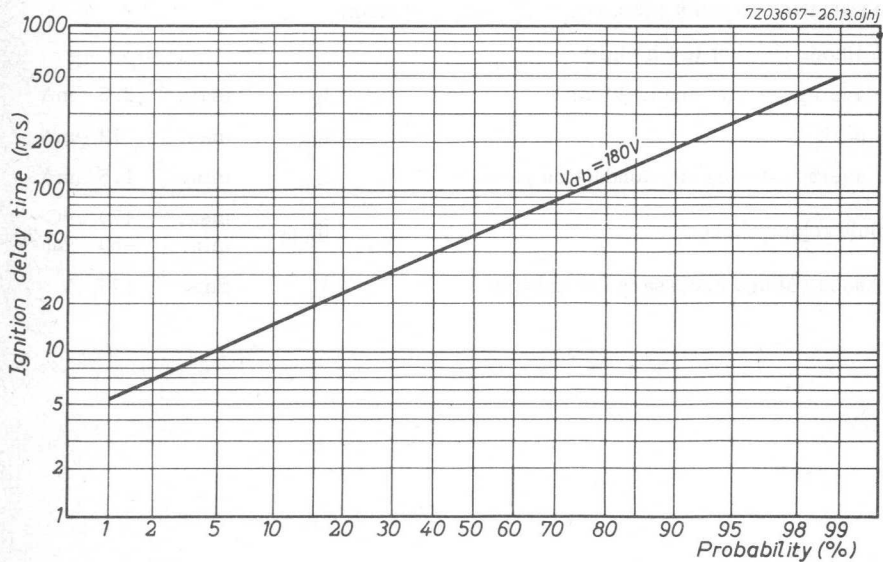
Cathode current (each digit)

average, $T_{av} = \text{max. } 20 \text{ ms}$	$I_k$	max.	3.5 mA
peak	$I_{kp}$	max.	12 mA
average during any conduction period	$I_k$	min.	1.5 mA
Bulb temperature	$t_{bulb}$	max.	+70 °C
		min.	-50 °C <sup>2)</sup>
Anode voltage necessary for ignition	$V_a$	min.	170 V

<sup>1)</sup> The life expectancy figures given above relate to operation with d.c. cathode currents between 1.5 mA to 2.5 mA and at all permitted pulsed cathode currents.

When a d.c. cathode current range of 1.5 mA to 3.5 mA is used, the life expectancy exceeds 3000 hours with continuous display of one digit.

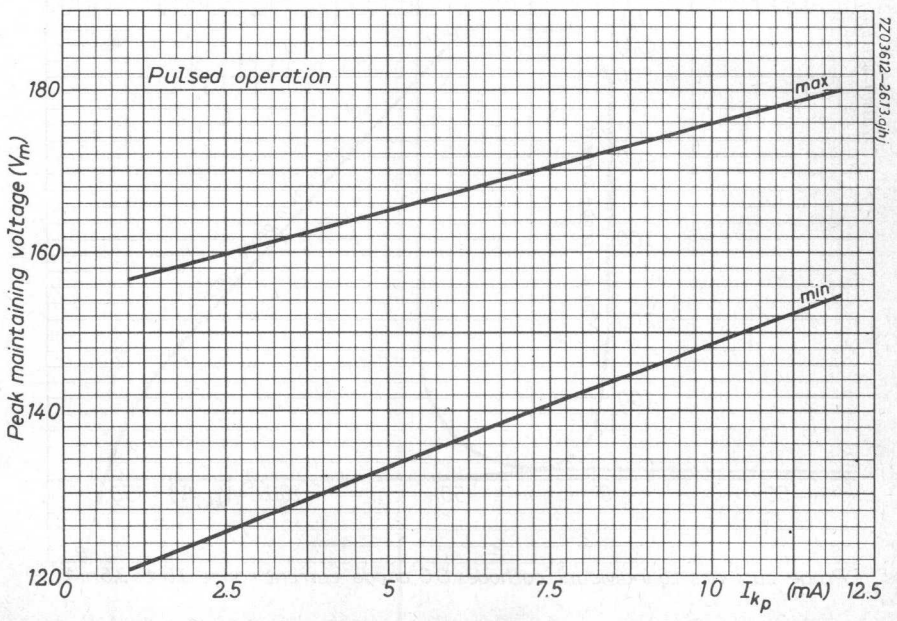
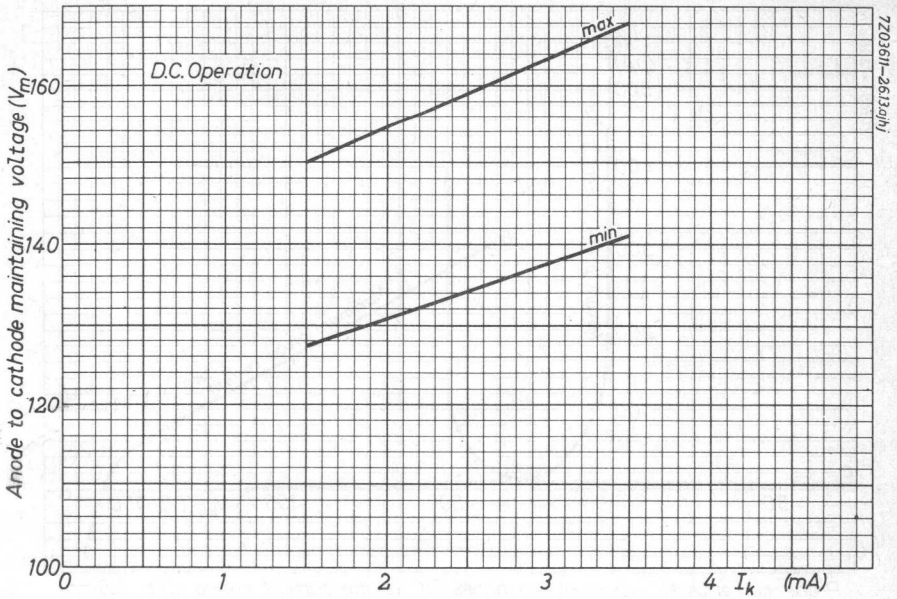
<sup>2)</sup> For bulb temperatures below 0 °C the life expectancy of the tube is substantially reduced.

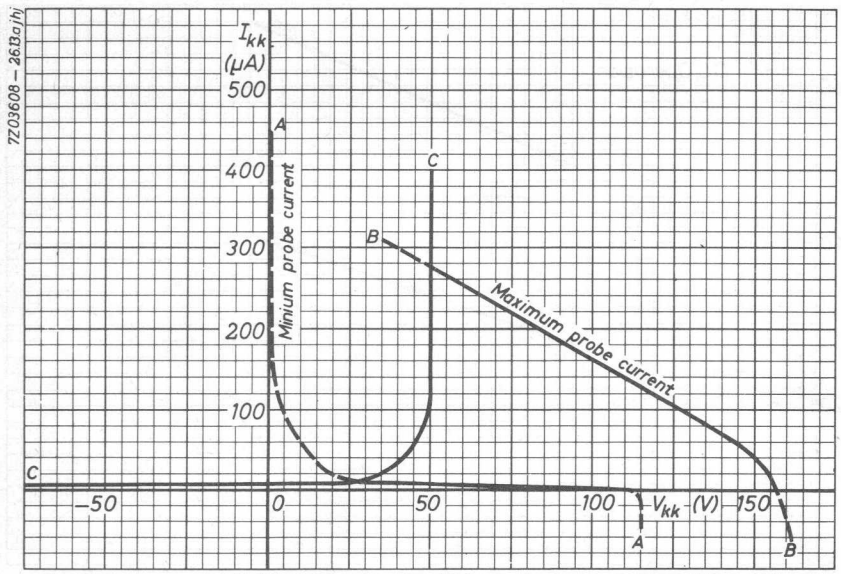


#### CUMULATIVE DISTRIBUTION OF IGNITION DELAY TIME

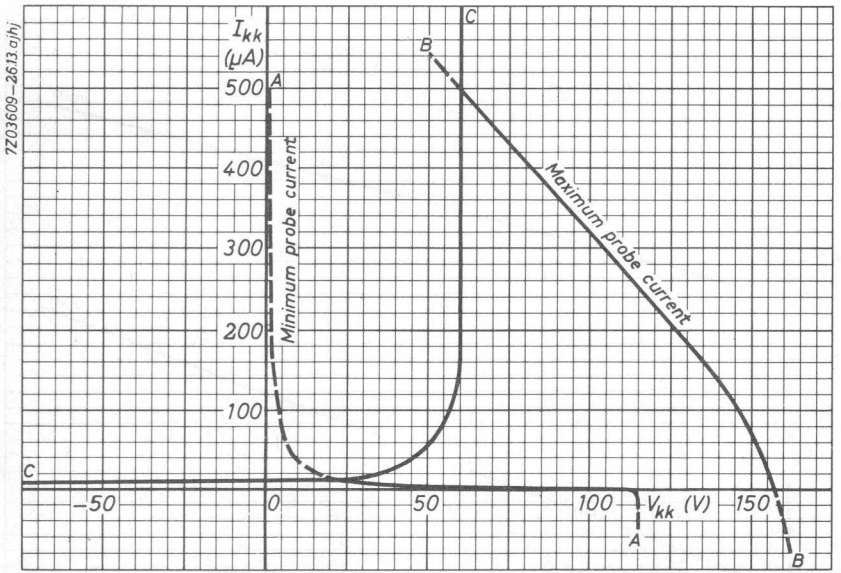
This curve shows the probability that a tube will ignite in less than the time shown after a non-conduction period of a few seconds. The ignition delay time will be appreciably reduced when the interval between conduction periods is less than 100 milliseconds. In general, an increase in the supply voltage will reduce the ignition delay time.



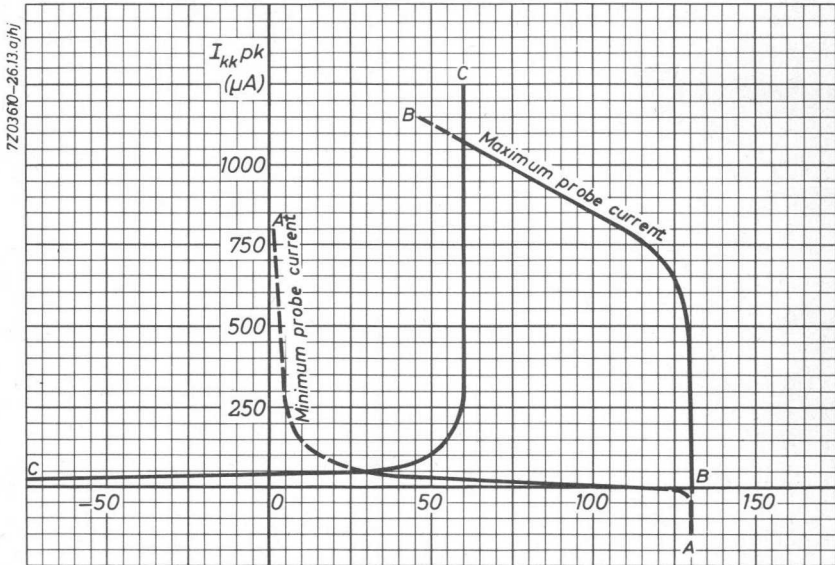




Probe currents to individual cathodes. D.C. anode current range 1.5 to 2.5mA



Probe currents to individual cathodes. D.C. anode current range 1.5 to 3.5mA



Peak probe currents to individual cathodes. Pulsed anode current 10mA  
Duty factor 01

### PROBE CURRENT CURVES

The boundaries A-A and B-B of the graphs represent, for the shown anode current ranges, the range of probe currents to individual non-conducting cathodes plotted against the voltage difference between the non-conducting cathodes and the conducting cathode.

For optimum display, the probe current to any non-conducting cathode should be as low as possible. In addition, reverse probe current should not be permitted.

These conditions can be satisfied in two ways:

- (1) With a low impedance voltage source connected to the non-conducting cathodes. For example, when using a current range of 1.5 to 2.5 mA and a voltage between 50 and 115 V is required.
- (2) With a separate high impedance connected to each non-conducting cathode and returned to a voltage source of less than 115 V. In this case the load line of the voltage source must lie to the right of boundary C-C.



The curve shows the relationship between E and F. The curve starts at the origin and rises steeply, then levels off as it moves to the right. The curve is labeled 'E' and 'F'.

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## INDICATOR TUBE

Cold cathode side viewing character indicator tube.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Character height		10.5	mm
Characters		- + ~	
Supply voltage	$V_b$	min. 170	V
Cathode current	$I_k$	2	mA

### GENERAL

The ZM1081 is provided with a red contrast filter

The ZM1083 is identical to the ZM1081 but has no filter.

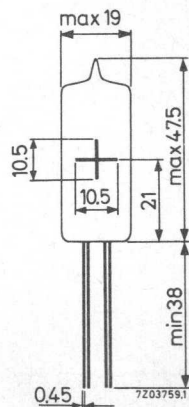
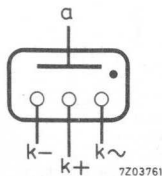
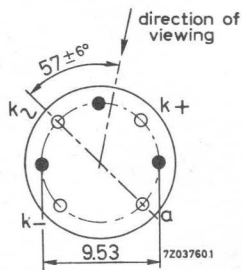
### PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION

The tube contains 3 cathodes in the form of the characters -, + and ~ and one common anode.

By applying a suitable voltage between the anode and one of the three cathodes the corresponding character will be covered by a red neon glow.

### DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm



Mounting position: any

The characters are viewed through the side of the envelope.

The characters will appear upright (within  $\pm 2^\circ$ ) when the tube is mounted vertically.

Care should be taken not to bend the leads nearer than 1.5 mm from the seals.

The leads are turned and may be dip soldered to a minimum of 5 mm from the seals at a solder temperature of 240 °C for a maximum of 10 seconds.

**CHARACTERISTICS, OPERATING CONDITIONS AND LIMITING VALUES**

These are essential the same as of type ZM1080.



**TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Ionization time

at  $V_a = 100$  V, grid No.1 over-voltage = 50 V (substantial square pulse)  
 Anode peak current during conduction = 0.5 A

$$T_{ion} = 0.5 \mu s$$

Deionization time

at  $V_a = 125$  V,  $V_{g1} = -100$  V,  
 $R_{g1} = 1000 \Omega$ ,  $I_a = 0.1$  A

$$T_{dion} = 35 \mu s$$

Deionization time

at  $V_a = 125$  V,  $V_{g1} = -10$  V,  
 $R_{g1} = 1000 \Omega$ ,  $I_a = 0.1$  A

$$T_{dion} = 75 \mu s$$

Critical grid No.1 current

at  $V_a = 125$  VRMS,  $I_a = 0.1$  A

$$I_{g1} = 0.5 \mu A$$

Maintaining voltage

$$V_{arc} = 8 \text{ V}$$

Control ratio grid No.1 at striking point

$R_{g1} = 0 \Omega$ ,  $V_{g2} = 0$  V

$$\frac{V_a}{V_{g1}} = 250$$

Control ratio grid No.2 at striking point

$V_{g1} = 0$  V,  $R_{g1} = 0 \Omega$ ,  $R_{g2} = 0 \Omega$

$$\frac{V_a}{V_{g2}} = 1000$$

**OPERATING CONDITIONS** for relay service

Anode voltage	$V_a \sim = 117$	400 VRMS
Grid No.2 voltage	$V_{g2} = 0$	0 V
Grid No.1 (bias) voltage	$V_{g1 \sim} = 5$	- VRMS <sup>1)</sup>
Grid No.1 (bias) voltage	$V_{g1} = -$	-6 V
Grid No.1 peak (signal) voltage	$V_{g1p} = 5$	6 V
Anode circuit resistance	$R_a = 1.2$	2.0 k $\Omega$
Grid No.1 circuit resistance	$R_{g1} = 1.0$	1.0 M $\Omega$

<sup>1)</sup> Phase difference between  $V_a$  and  $V_{g1}$  approx. 180°.



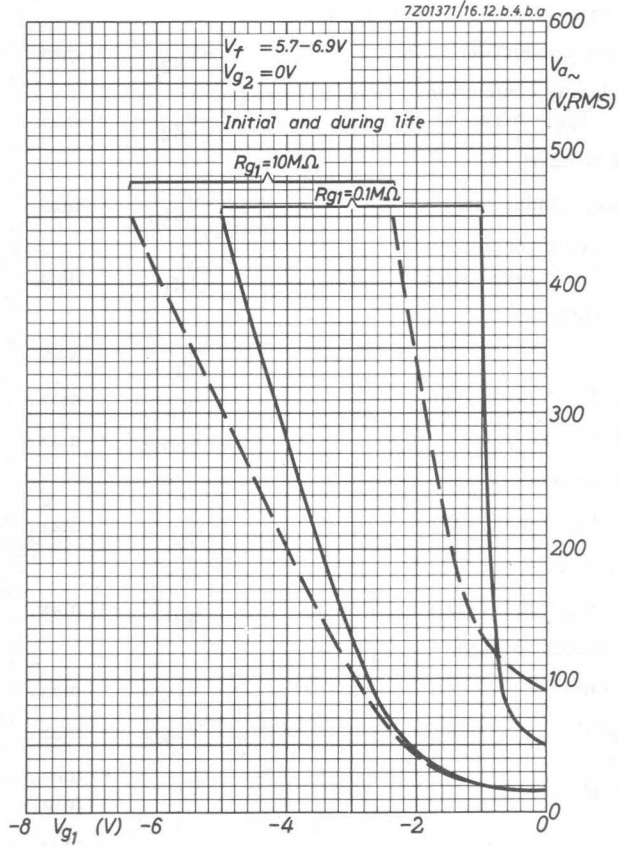
**LIMITING VALUES** for relay- and grid controlled service  
(Absolute max. rating system)

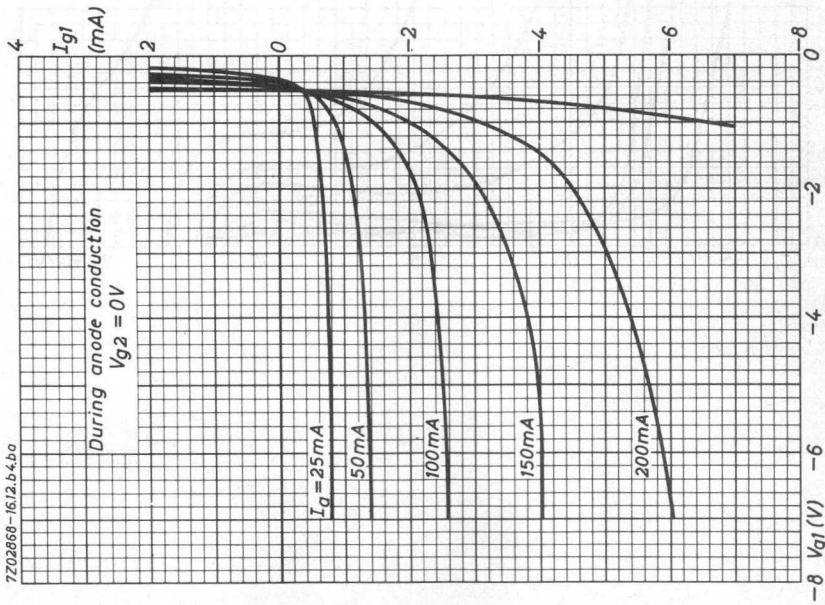
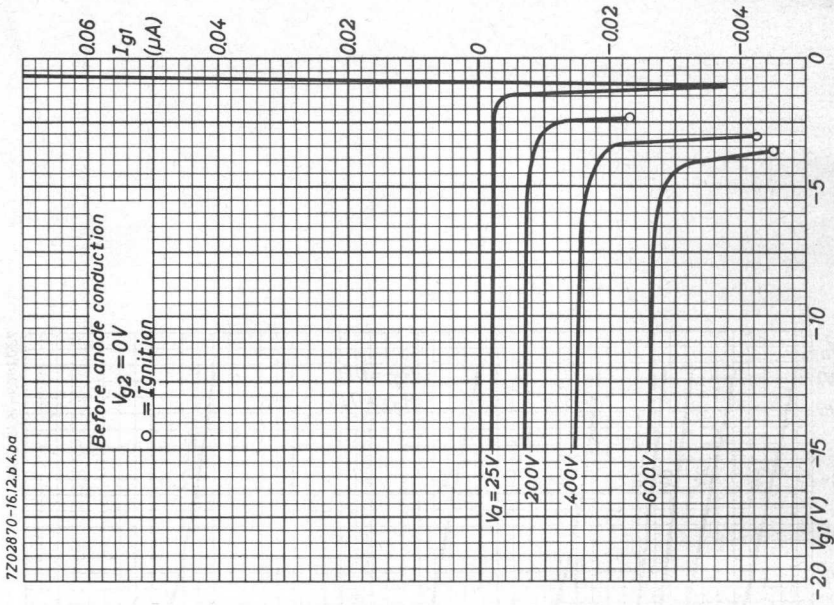
Anode voltage,	
forward peak	$V_{a_p} = \text{max. } 650 \text{ V}$
inverse peak	$V_{a_{inv_p}} = \text{max. } 1300 \text{ V}$
Grid No. 2 voltage,	
peak before conduction	$-V_{g2_p} = \text{max. } 100 \text{ V}$
average during conduction $T_{av} = \text{max. } 30 \text{ s}$	$-V_{g2} = \text{max. } 10 \text{ V}$
Grid. No. 1 voltage,	
peak before conduction	$-V_{g1_p} = \text{max. } 100 \text{ V}$
average during conduction $T_{av} = \text{max. } 30 \text{ s}$	$-V_{g1} = \text{max. } 10 \text{ V}$
Cathode current,	
peak	$I_{k_p} = \text{max. } 0.5 \text{ A}$
average, $T_{av} = \text{max. } 30 \text{ s}$	$I_k = \text{max. } 0.1 \text{ A}$
surge, $T = \text{max. } 0.1 \text{ s}$	$I_{\text{surge}} = \text{max. } 10 \text{ A}$
Grid No. 2 current	
average, $T_{av} = \text{max. } 30 \text{ s}$	$I_{g2} = \text{max. } 10 \text{ mA } ^1)$
Grid No. 1 current,	
average, $T_{av} = \text{max. } 30 \text{ s}$	$I_{g1} = \text{max. } 10 \text{ mA}$
Cathode to heater voltage,	
k pos., peak	$V_{+kf-} = \text{max. } 100 \text{ V}$
k neg., peak	$V_{-kf+} = \text{max. } 25 \text{ V}$
Heater voltage	$V_f = \text{max. } 6.9 \text{ V}$ $= \text{min. } 5.7 \text{ V}$
Ambient temperature	$t_{amb} = \text{max. } +90 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ $= \text{min. } -75 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

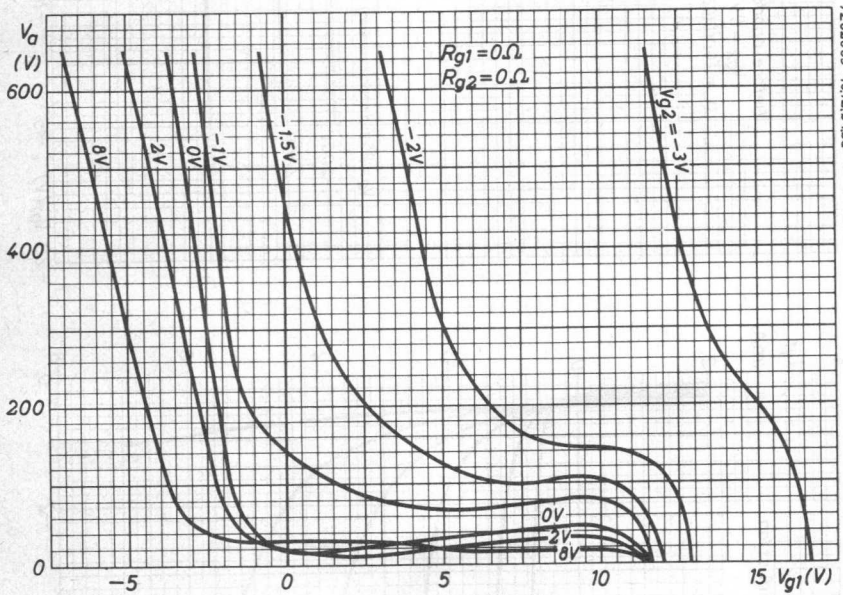
**CIRCUIT DESIGN VALUES**

Grid No. 1 circuit resistance	$R_{g1} = \text{max. } 10 \text{ M}\Omega$
recommended value	$R_{g1} = 1 \text{ M}\Omega$

<sup>1)</sup> In order not to exceed this maximum value it is recommended to insert a resistor of  $1000 \Omega$  in the grid No. 2 lead.







## TRIODE THYRATRONS

Mercury vapour and inert gas filled triode thyatron with negative control characteristic

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Peak forward anode voltage	$V_{ap}$	=	max. 1500 V
Peak inverse anode voltage	$V_{ainvp}$	=	max. 1500 V
Average cathode current	$I_k$	=	max. 1.6 A
Peak cathode current	$I_{kp}$	=	max. 6.4 A
Average grid current	$I_g$	=	max. 10 mA
Peak grid current	$I_{gp}$	=	max. 50 mA

### HEATING: direct

Filament voltage	$V_f$	=	2.5 V
Filament current	$I_f$	=	7 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	=	min. 15 s) <sup>1)</sup>

### CAPACITANCE

Capacitance between anode and grid	$C_{ag}$	=	2 pF
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### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	=	10 V
Ionisation time	$T_{ion}$	=	10 $\mu$ s
Deionisation time	$T_{dion}$	=	1000 $\mu$ s

1) Recommended waiting time 30 sec.

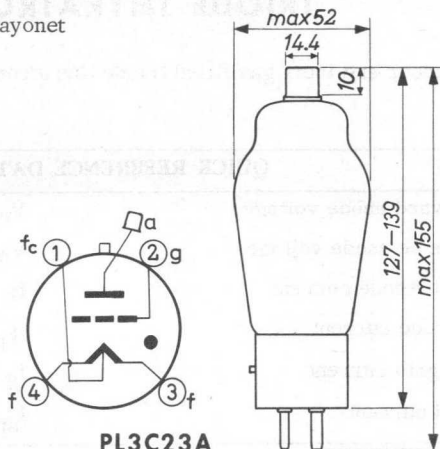
2) Page 2. The ambient temperature is defined as the temperature of the surrounding air and shall be measured under the following conditions:

- a. normal atmospheric pressure,
- b. the tube shall be adjusted to the worst probable operating conditions,
- c. the temperature shall be measured when thermal equilibrium is reached,
- d. the distance of the thermometer shall be 52 mm from the outside of the envelope (measured in a plane perpendicular to the main axis of the tube at the height of the condensed mercury boundary),
- e. the thermometer shall be shielded to avoid direct heat radiation.

## MECHANICAL DATA

Base : Medium 4p with bayonet  
 Socket : 2422 511 90003  
 Cap : 40619  
 Net weight: 90 g

Dimensions in mm



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Mounting position: Vertical with base down

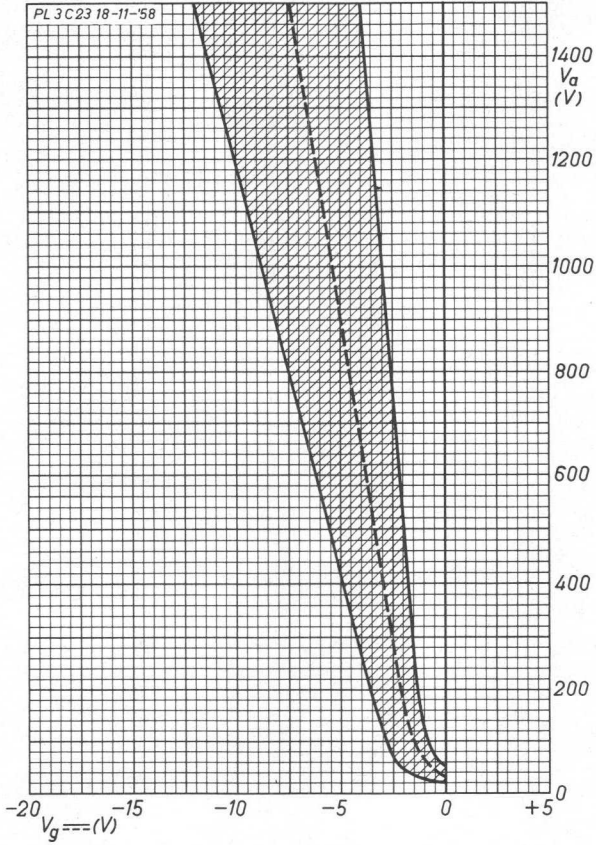
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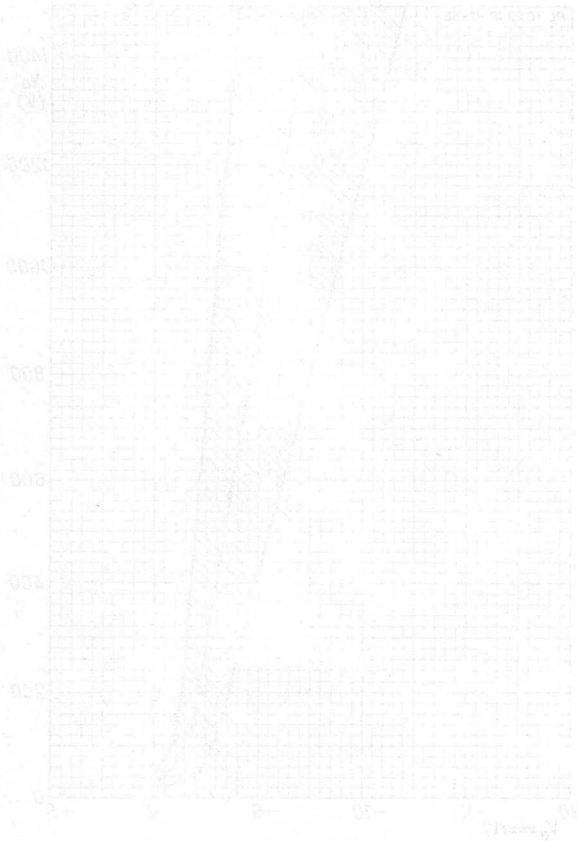
Peak forward anode voltage	$V_{ap}$	= max. 1500 V
Peak inverse anode voltage	$V_{a invp}$	= max. 1500 V
Negative grid voltage before conduction	$-V_g$	= max. 500 V
Negative grid voltage during conduction	$-V_g$	= max. 10 V
Average grid current, anode positive (Averaging time)	$I_g$ $T_{av}$	= max. 10 mA = 5 s)
Peak grid current	$I_{gp}$	= max. 50 mA
Grid circuit resistance	$R_g$	= 5 to 100 k $\Omega$ <sup>1)</sup>
Average cathode current (Averaging time)	$I_k$ $T_{av}$	= max. 1.6 A = 5 s)
Peak cathode current	$I_{kp}$	= max. 6.4 A
Surge cathode current (Duration)	$I_{surge}$ $T$	= max. 120 A = max. 0.1 s)
Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$	= -40 to +50 °C <sup>2)3)</sup>
Condensed mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$	= -40 to +80 °C

1) Recommended value 50 k $\Omega$

2) See page 1

3) Recommended temperature approximately 25 °C







# THYRATRON

Gas filled triode with insulated grid intended for use in pulse and relay circuits.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Anode voltage, peak forward	$V_{ap}$	max. 400 V
peak inverse	$V_{ainvp}$	max. 400 V
Anode current, average ( $T_{av}$ max. 10 s)	$I_a$	max. 100 mA
peak	$I_{ap}$	max. 4 A

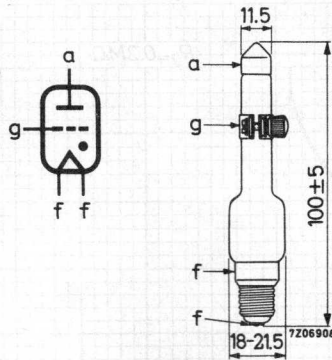
HEATING: direct

Filament voltage	$V_f$	1.85 V
Filament current	$I_f$	3.4 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	0 s

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm

Base: Mignon



### Accessories

Socket	type No. 88168/01
Top cap connector	S80 37 00



## THYRATRON

Mercury vapour filled tetrode thyatron intended for the following applications:

- D.C. : for use as rectifier with variable or stabilized output voltage and for electronic D.C. motor speed control.
- A.C. : for use as electronic switch and control of ignition circuits; control of electric furnaces, incandescent lamps and discharge lamps; for resistance welding up to 27 kVA.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Anode voltage, peak forward	$V_{ap}$	max. 2500 V
peak inverse	$V_{invp}$	max. 2500 V
Anode current, average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 15 \text{ s}$ )	$I_a$	max. 6.4 A
peak ( $f \geq 25 \text{ Hz}$ )	$I_{ap}$	max. 40 A

### HEATING: indirect

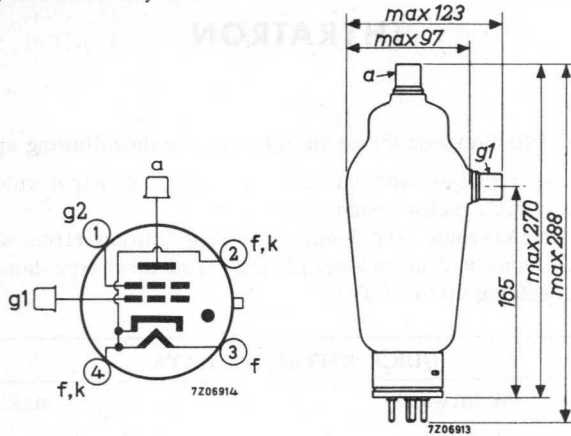
Heater voltage	$V_f$	5.0 V $\pm$ 5%
Heater current	$I_f$	10 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	min. 5 min.

See curves on page 7. During long periods of interrupted service (e.g. during night hours) it is recommended to reduce  $V_f$  to 60% to 80% of its nominal value instead of switching off the heater voltage. In this way the value of  $T_w$  can be decreased according to the dotted curve.

**MECHANICAL DATA**

Dimensions in mm

Base: Super Jumbo with bayonet



Pins 2 and 3 heater, pin 4 cathode return

Mounting position: vertical, base down

Net weight: 510 g

**ACCESSORIES**

Socket type No. 40403/00

Cap connector 40620

**CAPACITANCES**

Anode to grid No. 1  $C_{ag1}$  1.8 pF

Grid No. 1 to cathode  $C_{g1k}$  5.0 pF

**TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Arc voltage  $V_{arc}$  12 V

Ionization time  $T_{ion}$  10  $\mu$ s

Recovery time (Reionization time)  $T_{dion}$  1000  $\mu$ s

Frequency f max. 150 Hz

Intermittent service

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

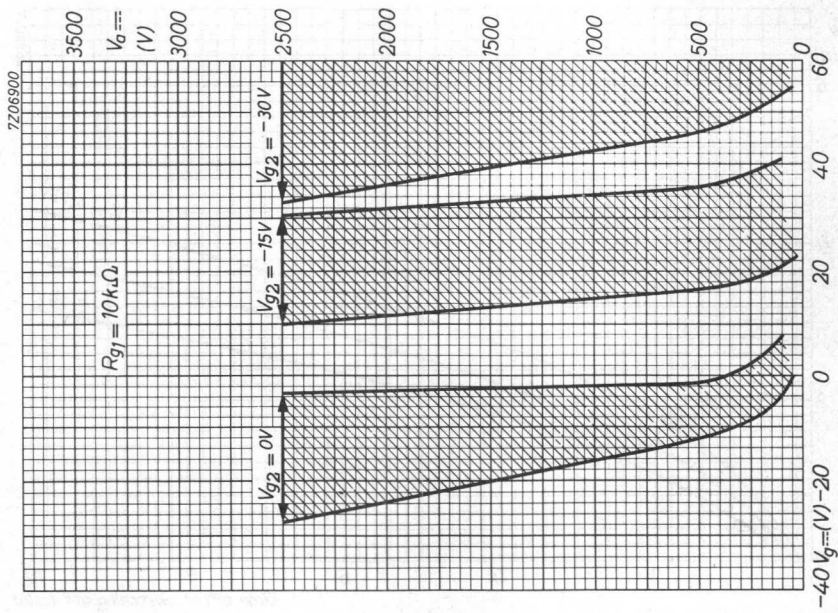
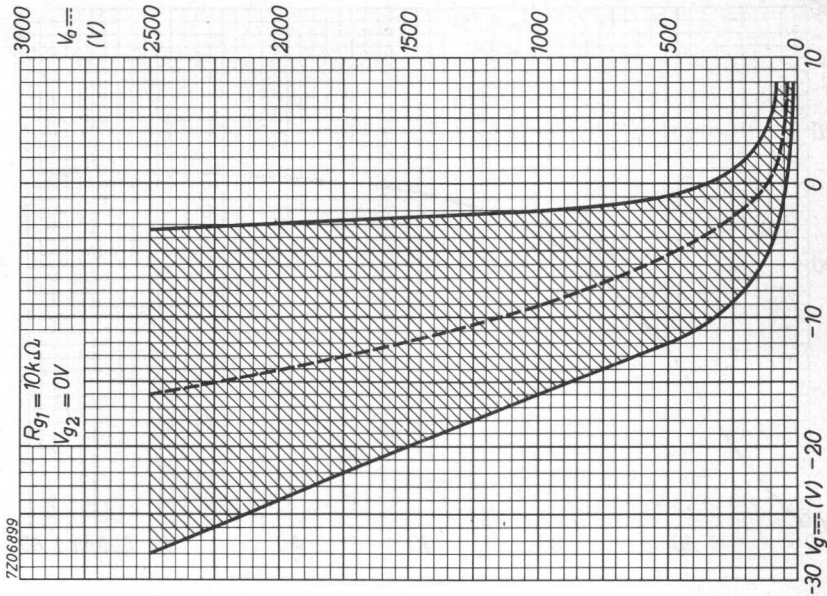
Anode voltage, peak forward	$V_{ap}$	max.	750 V
peak inverse	$V_{invp}$	max.	750 V
Grid No. 2 voltage	$-V_{g2}$	max.	500 V
tube conducting	$-V_{g2}$	max.	10 V
Grid No. 1 voltage	$-V_{g1}$	max.	1000 V
tube conducting	$-V_{g1}$	max.	10 V
Anode current, peak ( $f < 25$ Hz)	$I_{ap}$	max.	5.0 A
( $f \geq 25$ Hz)	$I_{ap}$	max.	77 A
average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 5$ s)	$I_a$	max.	2.5 A
Surge current ( $T = \text{max. } 0.1$ s)	$I_{surge}$	max.	400 A
Grid No. 2 current, peak	$I_{g2p}$	max.	2.0 A
average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 5$ s)	$I_{g2}$	max.	0.5 A
Grid No. 1 current, peak	$I_{g1p}$	max.	1.0 A
average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 5$ s)	$I_{g1}$	max.	0.25 A
Grid No. 2 resistor	$R_{g2}$	max.	10 $k\Omega$
recommended value	$R_{g2}$		10 $k\Omega$
Grid No. 1 resistor	$R_{g1}$	max.	100 $k\Omega$
recommended value	$R_{g1}$		10 $k\Omega$
Mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$	40 to 80	$^{\circ}C$
recommended value	$t_{Hg}$	60	$^{\circ}C$

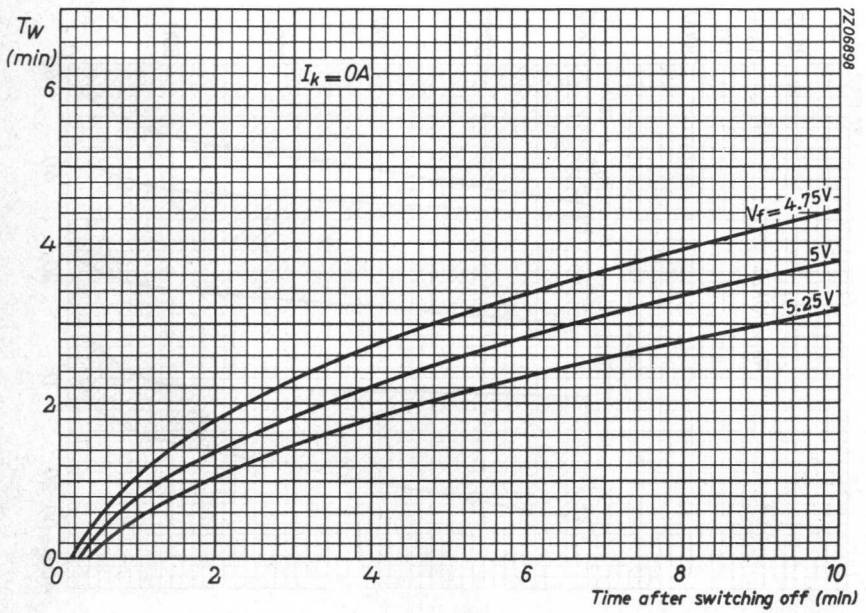
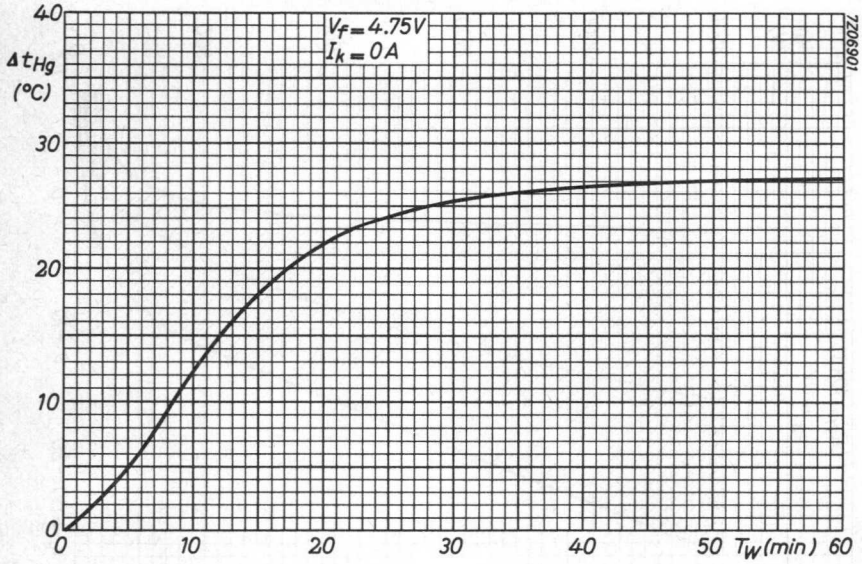


Continuous service

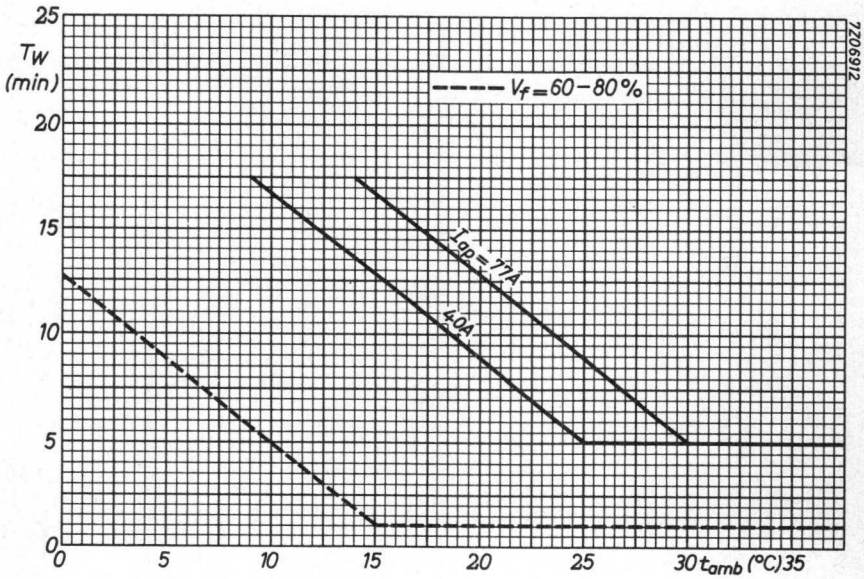
**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

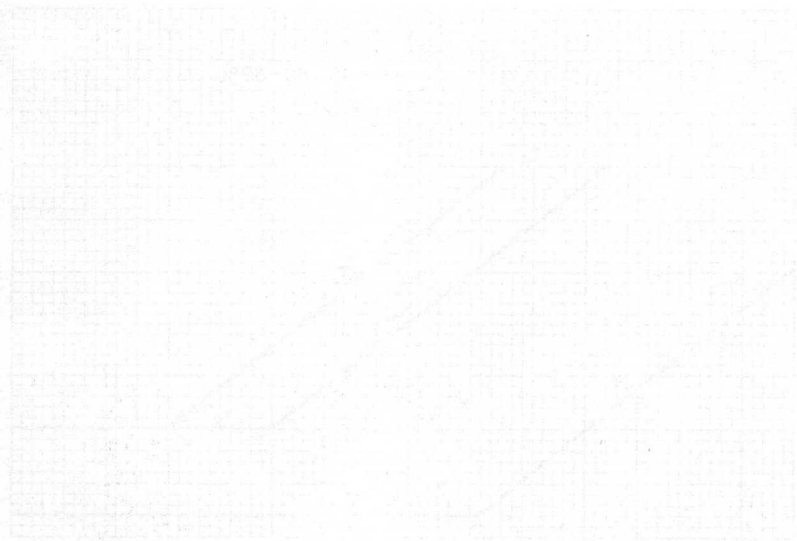
Anode voltage, peak forward	$V_{ap}$	max.	2500	V
peak inverse	$V_{invp}$	max.	2500	V
Grid No. 2 voltage	$-V_{g2}$	max.	500	V
tube conducting	$-V_{g2}$	max.	10	V
Grid No. 1 voltage	$-V_{g1}$	max.	1000	V
tube conducting	$-V_{g1}$	max.	10	V
Anode current, peak ( $f < 25$ Hz)	$I_{ap}$	max.	12.8	A
( $f \geq 25$ Hz)	$I_{ap}$	max.	40	A
average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 15$ s)	$I_a$	max.	6.4	A
Surge current ( $T = \text{max. } 0.1$ s)	$I_{surge}$	max.	400	A
Grid No. 2 current, peak	$I_{g2p}$	max.	2.0	A
average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 15$ s)	$I_{g2}$	max.	0.5	A
Grid No. 1 current, peak	$I_{g1p}$	max.	1.0	A
average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 15$ s)	$I_{g1}$	max.	0.25	A
Grid No. 2 resistor	$R_{g2}$	max.	10	$k\Omega$
recommended value	$R_{g2}$		10	$k\Omega$
Grid No. 1 resistor	$R_{g1}$	max.	100	$k\Omega$
recommended value	$R_{g1}$		10	$k\Omega$
Mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$		40 to 80	$^{\circ}C$
recommended value	$t_{Hg}$		60	$^{\circ}C$











# THYRATRON

Mercury vapour and inert gas-filled triode thyatron intended for use in motor control, A.C. control and other industrial applications.

## QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Anode voltage, peak forward	$V_{ap}$	max. 2000	V
peak inverse	$V_{invp}$	max. 2000	V
Cathode current, average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 15 \text{ s}$ )	$I_k$	max. 6.4	A
peak	$I_{kp}$	max. 80	A

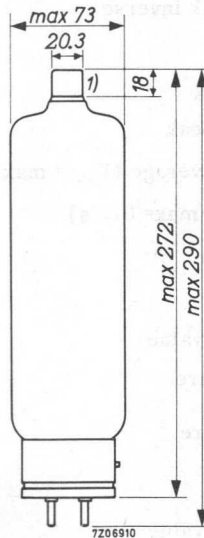
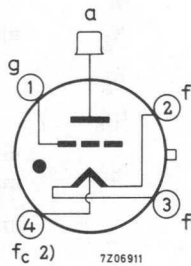
**HEATING:** direct

Filament voltage	$V_f$	2.5	V
Filament current	$I_f$	22	A
Waiting time	$T_w$	min. 30	s
recommended value	$T_w$	60	s

## MECHANICAL DATA

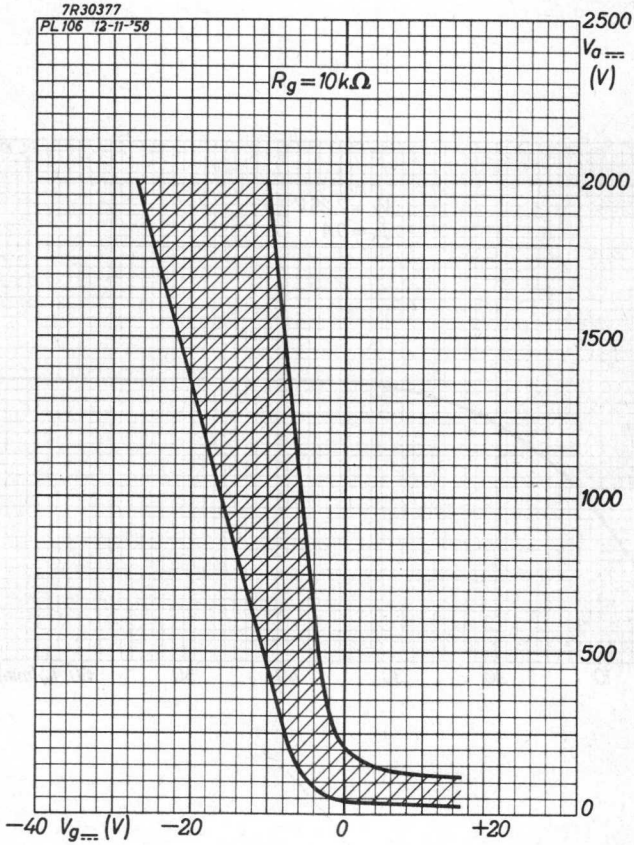
Base: Super Jumbo with bayonet

Dimensions in mm



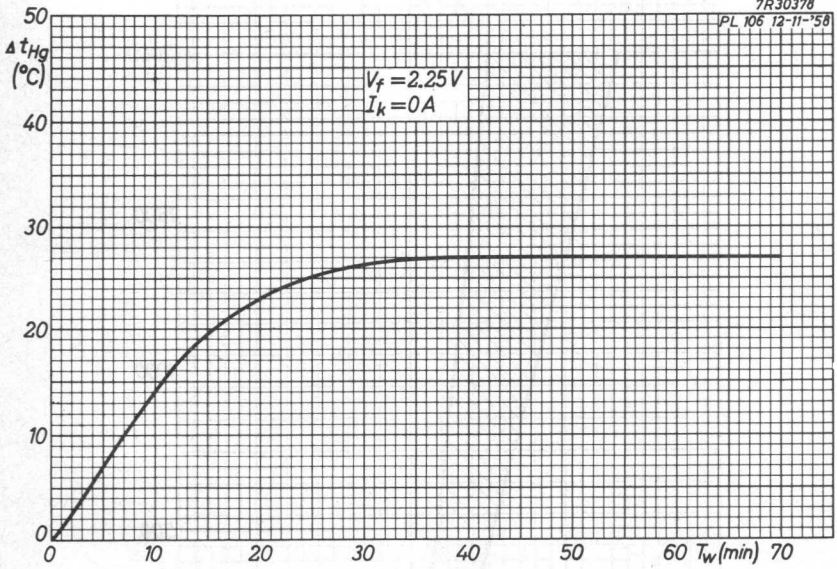
- 1) Cross section of flexible anode lead at least 10 mm<sup>2</sup>.
- 2)  $f_c$  should preferably be used as cathode return connection.





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## THYRATRON

Mercury vapour and inert gas-filled triode thyatron intended for use in cinema rectifiers, battery chargers, rectifiers for feeding bookkeeping machines etc.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

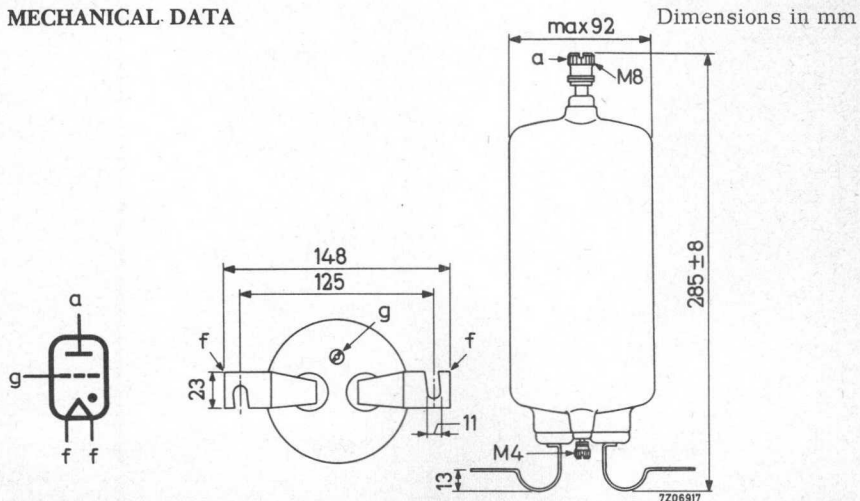
#### Intermittent service

Anode voltage, peak forward	$V_{ap}$	max. 120 V
peak inverse	$V_{invp}$	max. 250 V
Anode current, average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 15 \text{ s}$ )	$I_a$	max. 17 A
peak	$I_{ap}$	max. 65 A

#### HEATING: direct

Filament voltage	$V_f$	1.9 V $\pm$ 5%
Filament current	$I_f$	26 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	min. 1 min.

#### MECHANICAL DATA



# THYRATRON

Operating instructions for the THYRATRON tube, including safety precautions and handling instructions.

## QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

Symbol	Meaning
	Cathode heater
	Filament
	Grid
	Anode
	Control grid
	Screen grid
	Suppressor grid
	Plate

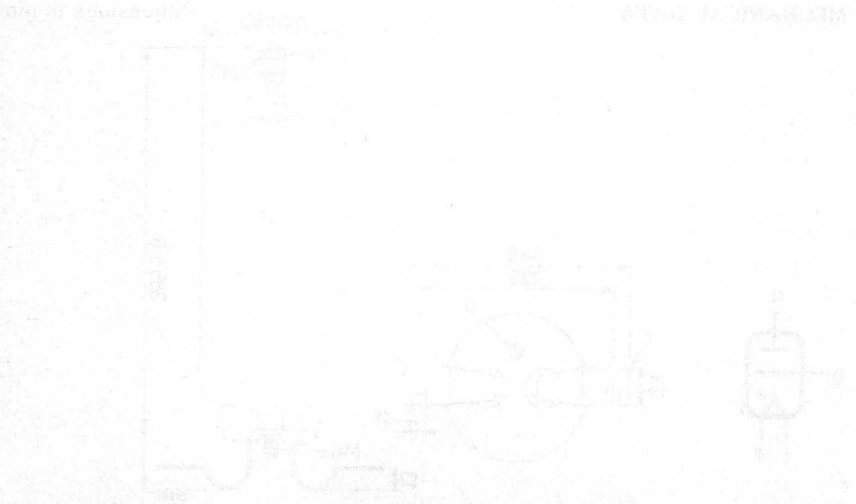
## HEATING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Connect the filament to the power source.

2. Turn on the power and allow the tube to warm up for 10 minutes.

3. Adjust the filament current to the value specified in the data sheet.

## MILITARY DATA





# THYRATRON

Mercury-vapour triode thyatron intended for use in motor control equipment and resistance welding equipment.

## QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Anode voltage, peak forward	$V_{ap}$	max. 1500 V
peak inverse	$V_{invp}$	max. 2500 V
Cathode current, average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 10 \text{ s}$ )	$I_k$	max. 10 A
peak	$I_{kp}$	max. 100 A

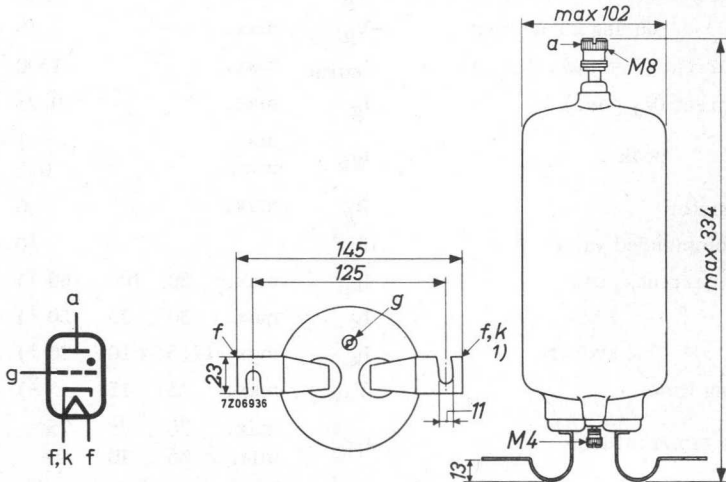
### HEATING: indirect

Heater voltage	$V_f$	5.0 V
Heater current	$I_f$	11 A
	$I_f$	max. 13 A
Waiting time (See also page 4)	$T_w$	min. 10 min

If during long periods of service interruption (e.g. during night hours) the heater voltage is maintained at 5 V, the waiting time can be omitted.

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm



1) Marked red.

**MECHANICAL DATA** (continued)

Mounting position: vertical, base down

Net weight: 820 g

**MERCURY TEMPERATURE**

$V_f = 5.0$  V the temperature rise above ambient is approximately 10 °C.

**CAPACITANCES**

Grid to all except anode	$C_{g(a)}$	30 pF
Anode to grid	$C_{ag}$	8 pF

**TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	10 V
Ionization time	$T_{ion}$	10 $\mu$ s
Recovery time (Deionization time)	$T_{dion}$	1000 $\mu$ s

Continuous service (motor control)

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Frequency	f	max.	150 Hz	
Anode voltage, peak forward	$V_{ap}$	max.	1500 V	
		peak inverse	$V_{invp}$ max.	2500 V
Grid voltage, before conduction	$-V_g$	max.	300 V	
		during conduction	$-V_g$ max.	10 V
Surge current (T = max. 0.1 s)	$I_{surge}$	max.	1500 A	
Grid current, ( $V_a$ pos.)	$I_g$	max.	0.25 A	
		peak	$I_{gp}$ max.	1 A
			$I_{gp}$ min.	0.5 A
Grid resistor	$R_g$	max.	50 k $\Omega$	
		recommended value	$R_g$	10 k $\Omega$
Cathode current, peak	$I_{kp}$	max.	80 100 160 <sup>1)</sup> A	
		RMS	$I_k$ max.	30 30 50 <sup>1)</sup> A
		average	$I_k$ max.	12.5 10 20 <sup>1)</sup> A
Averaging time	$T_{av}$	max.	15 15 <sup>2)</sup> s	
Mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$	max.	75 75 75 °C	
		min.	35 40 40 °C	
		recommended value	$t_{Hg}$	60 60 60 °C

<sup>1)</sup> Overload during max. 5 s in each 5 minutes operation period.  
<sup>2)</sup> Max. 1 cycle.

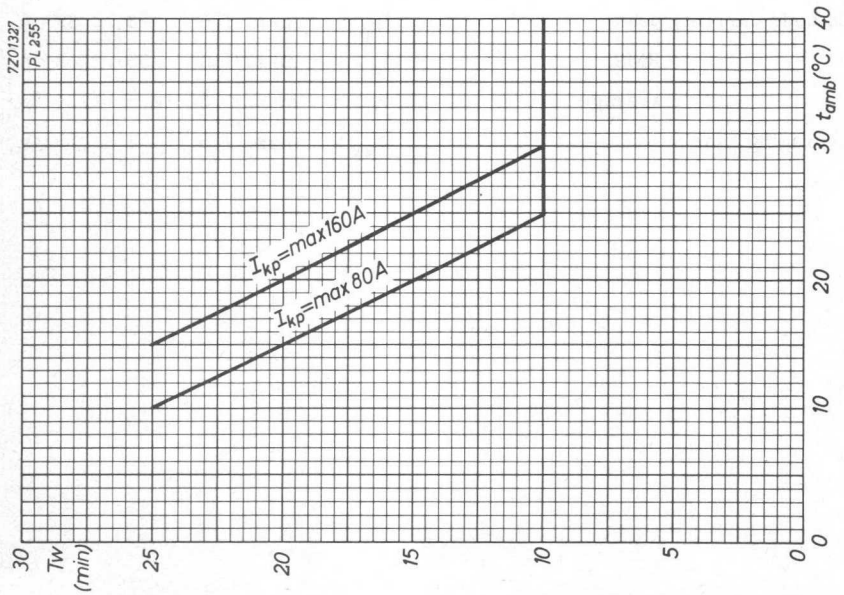
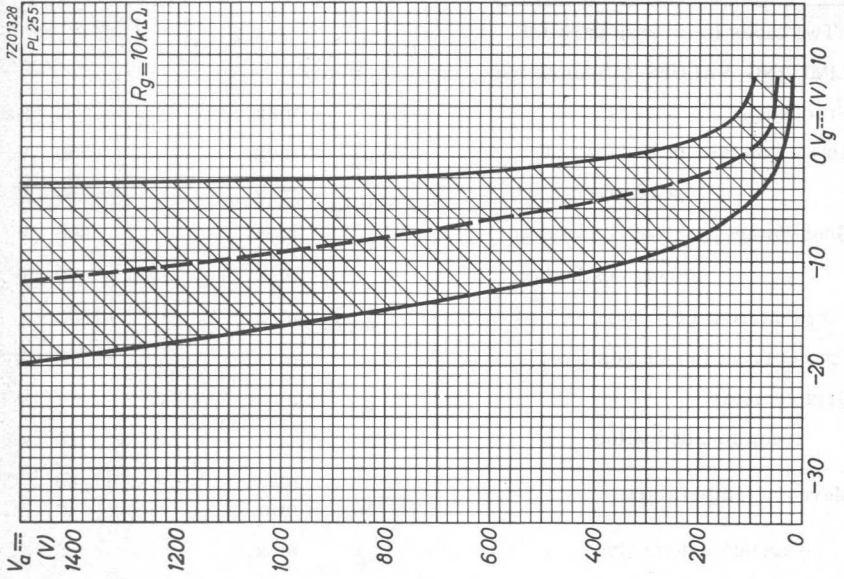
A. C. control and welding control

Two tubes in inverse parallel

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Frequency	f	max.	150	Hz
Anode voltage, peak forward	$V_{ap}$	max.	750	V
		peak inverse	$V_{invp}$	max. 750 V
Grid voltage, before conduction	$-V_g$	max.	300	V
		during conduction	$-V_g$	max. 10 V
Surge current (T = max. 0.1 s)	$I_{surge}$	max.	1500	A
Grid current (anode positive)	$I_g$	max.	0.25	A
Grid resistor	$R_g$	max.	50	k $\Omega$
		recommended value	$R_g$	10 k $\Omega$
Mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$	max.	80	$^{\circ}C$
		min.	40	$^{\circ}C$
	recommended value	$t_{Hg}$	max.	60
Duty factor	$\delta$		0.1 0.5 1	
Cathode current, peak	$I_{kp}$	max.	156 78 39	A
		RMS	$I_k$	max. 110 55 27.5 A
		average	$I_k$	max. 5 12.5 12.5 A
Averaging time	$T_{av}$	max.	5 5 15	s





# THYRATRON

Mercury-vapour triode thyatron intended for use in motor control equipment, relay service and other industrial applications.

## QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Continuous service			
Anode voltage, peak forward	$V_{ap}$	max.	2000 V
peak inverse	$V_{invp}$	max.	2500 V
Cathode current, average ( $T_{AV} = \text{max. } 15 \text{ s}$ )	$I_k$	max.	60 A
peak	$I_{kp}$	max.	200 A

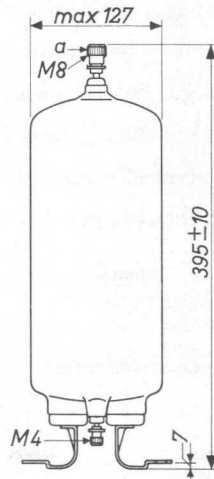
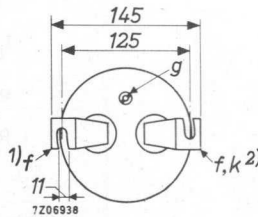
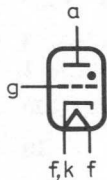
### HEATING: indirect

Heater voltage	$V_f$	5 V
Heater current	$I_f$	19 A
	$I_f$	max. 21 A
Waiting time (See also page 6)	$T_w$	min. 10 min

During long periods of interrupted service (e.g. during night hours) it is recommended to reduce  $V_f$  to 60-80% of the nominal value instead of switching off the heater. In this way the value of  $T_w$  can be decreased according to the dotted curve.

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm



- 1) Marked black
- 2) Marked red

**MECHANICAL DATA** (continued)

Mounting position: vertical, base down

Net weight: 1600 g

**MERCURY TEMPERATURE**

At  $V_f = 5.0$  V the temperature rise above ambient of the mercury is approximately 10 °C.

**CAPACITANCES**

Grid to all except anode	$C_{g(a)}$	60 pF
Anode to grid	$C_{ag}$	15 pF

**TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	10 V
Ionization time	$T_{ion}$	10 $\mu$ s
Recovery time (Deionization time)	$T_{dion}$	1000 $\mu$ s

Continuous service

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Frequency	$f$	max.	150 Hz
Anode voltage, peak forward	$V_{ap}$	max.	2000 V
	$V_{invp}$	max.	2500 V
Grid voltage, before conduction	$-V_g$	max.	300 V
	$-V_g$	max.	10 V
during conduction			
Surge current ( $T = \text{max. } 0.1$ s)	$I_{surge}$	max.	2500 A
Grid current, ( $V_a$ pos.)	$I_g$	max.	0.25 A <sup>1)</sup>
		min.	3 mA
	$I_{gp}$	max.	1 A
Grid resistor	$R_g$	max.	20 k $\Omega$
	$R_g$		10 k $\Omega$
recommended value			

<sup>1)</sup> See page 4.

Continuous service (continued)

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode fuse		max.				80	A
recommended value						60	A
Cathode current, peak	$I_{kp}$	max.	160	200	300	<sup>2)</sup>	A
RMS	$I_k$	max.	60	60	100	<sup>2)</sup>	A
average	$I_k$	max.	25	20	40	<sup>2)</sup>	A
Averaging time	$T_{av}$	max.	15	15		<sup>2)</sup>	s
Mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$	max.	75	75	75	<sup>2)</sup>	°C
recommended value	$t_{Hg}$	min.	35	35	40	<sup>2)</sup>	°C
			60	60	60		°C

A.C. control and welding control

Two tubes in inverse parallel

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Frequency	f	max.				150	Hz
Anode voltage, peak forward	$V_{ap}$	max.				750	V
peak inverse	$V_{invp}$	max.				750	V
Grid voltage, before conduction	$-V_g$	max.				300	V
during conduction	$-V_g$	max.				10	V
Surge current, (T = max. 0.1 s)	$I_{surge}$	max.				2500	A
Grid current ( $V_a$ pos.)	$I_g$	max.				0.25	A <sup>1)</sup>
Grid resistor	$R_g$	max.				20	k $\Omega$
recommended value	$R_g$					10	k $\Omega$
Mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$	max.				80	°C
recommended value	$t_{Hg}$	min.				40	°C
						60	°C
Duty factor	$\delta$		0.1	0.5	1		
Cathode current, peak	$I_{kp}$	max.	285	156	78		A
average	$I_k$	max.	9	25	25		A
Averaging time	$T_{av}$	max.	5	5	15		s
Output current, RMS	$I_o$	max.	200	110	55		A

<sup>1)</sup> See page 4.



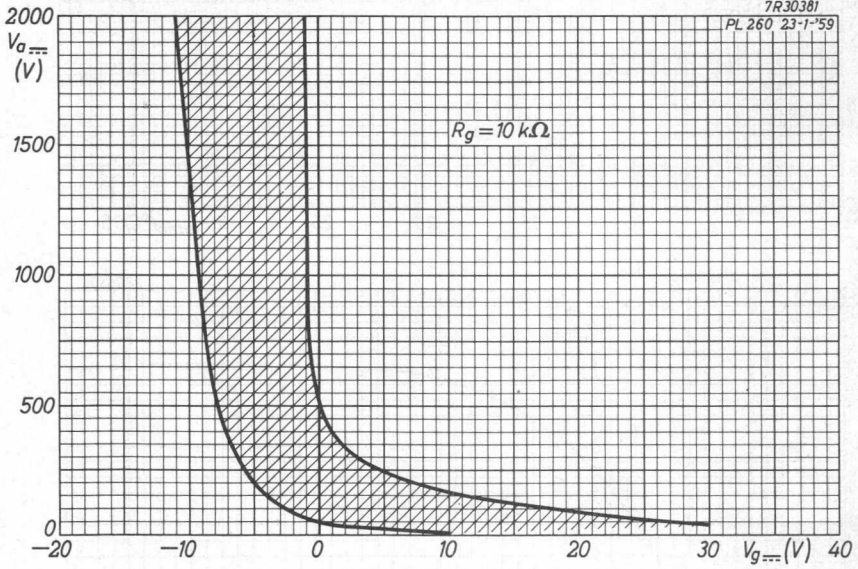
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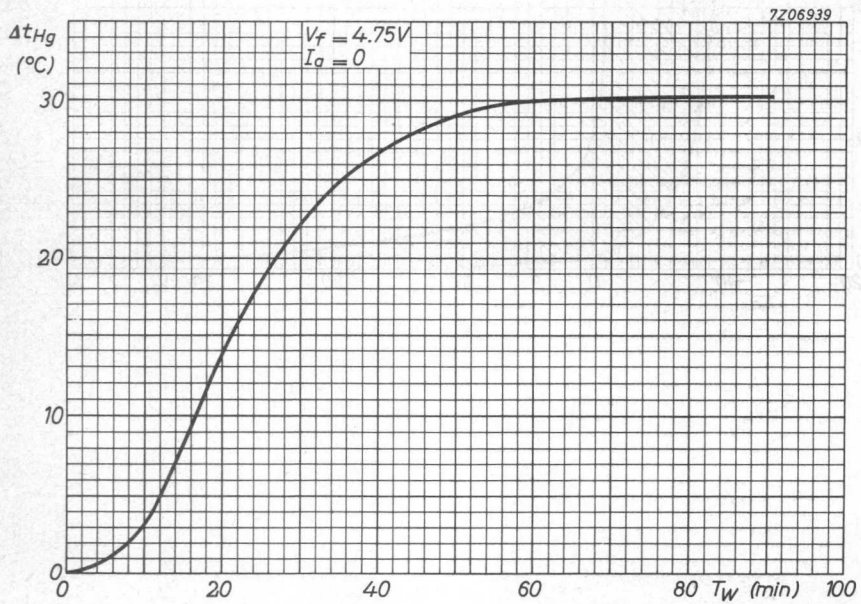
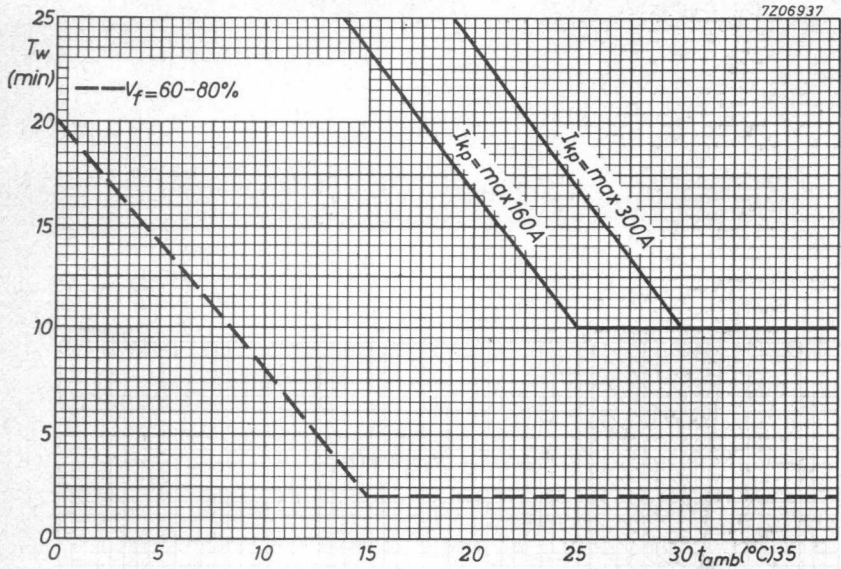
1. In order to facilitate the ignition of the tube a positive grid current of at least 3 mA is necessary. The use of a fixed negative grid bias (30 V to 50 V for D.C. output voltages of 220 V to 600 V) and a sharp grid pulse (100 V to 130 V) is recommended ( $R_g = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$ , impedance of pulse transformer max.  $10 \text{ k}\Omega$ ). If a sinusoidal grid voltage is used for control, this voltage should be at least 60 VRMS. The bias source impedance should be low compared with the total grid series impedance.
2. Overload during max. 5 s in each 5 minutes operating period.  $T_{av} = \text{max.}$  1 cycle.



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# THYRATRON

Xenon-filled tetrode intended for use in electronic timers, in grid-controlled rectifiers with variable or constant output voltage.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Anode voltage, peak forward	$V_{ap}$	max. 650 V
peak inverse	$V_{invp}$	max. 650 V
Anode current, average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 5 \text{ s}$ )	$I_a$	max. 0.5 A
peak ( $f \geq 25 \text{ Hz}$ )	$I_{ap}$	max. 2 A

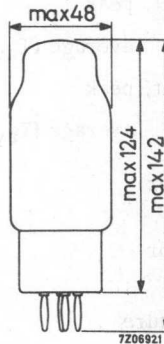
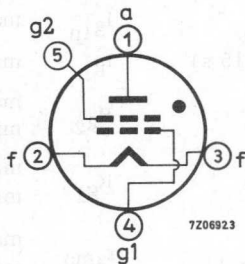
### HEATING: direct

Filament voltage	$V_f$	2.0 V $\pm$ 5%
Filament current	$I_f$	2.6 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	min. 30 s

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm

Base: O



Pin 3 cathode return

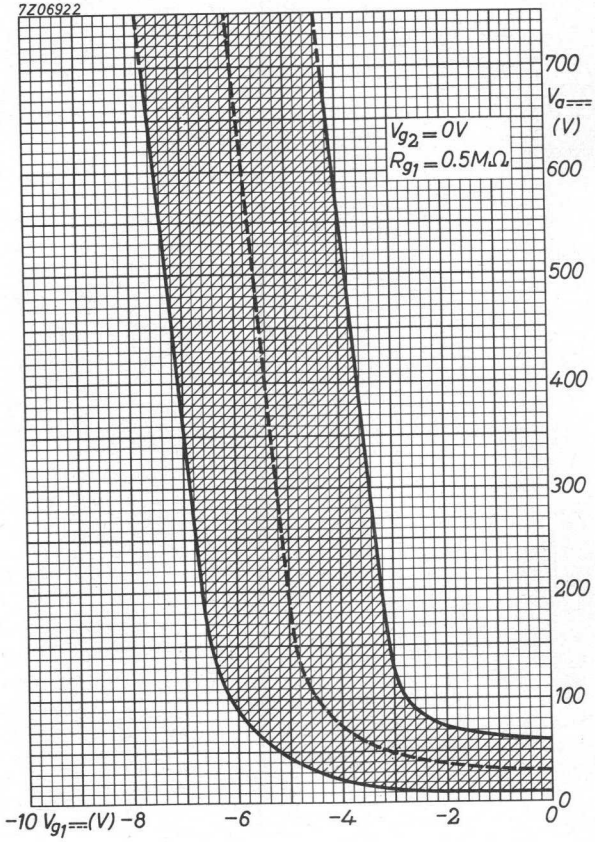
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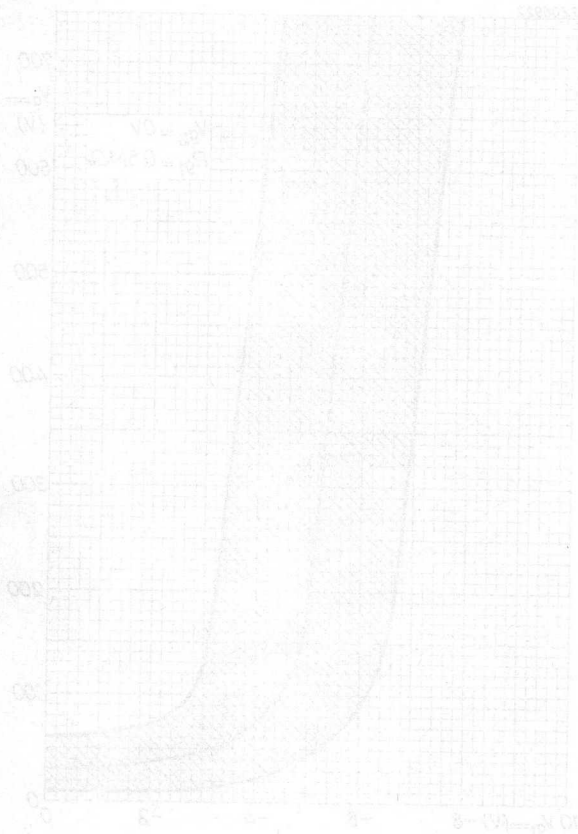
### Accessories

Socket type 2422 512 02001

Net weight 75 g







# THYRATRON

Xenon-filled triode thyatron intended for use in motor control equipment and similar applications.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Anode voltage, peak forward	$V_{ap}$	max. 1500 V
peak inverse	$V_{invp}$	max. 1500 V
Cathode current, average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 15 \text{ s}$ )	$I_k$	max. 3.2 A
peak	$I_{kp}$	max. 40 A

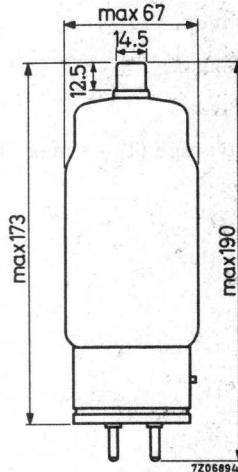
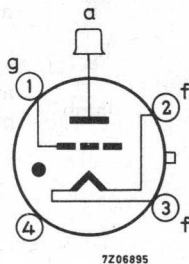
### HEATING: direct

Filament voltage	$V_f$	2.5 V $\pm$ 5%
Filament current	$I_f$	12 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	min. 60 s

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm

Base: Super Jumbo with bayonet



Mounting position: Arbitrary between horizontal and vertical with base down

### Accessories

Socket	2422 511 01001
Cap connector	40619
<u>Net weight</u>	300 g

**CAPACITANCES**

Anode to grid	$C_{ag}$	0.8 pF
Grid to filament	$C_{gf}$	45 pF

**TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

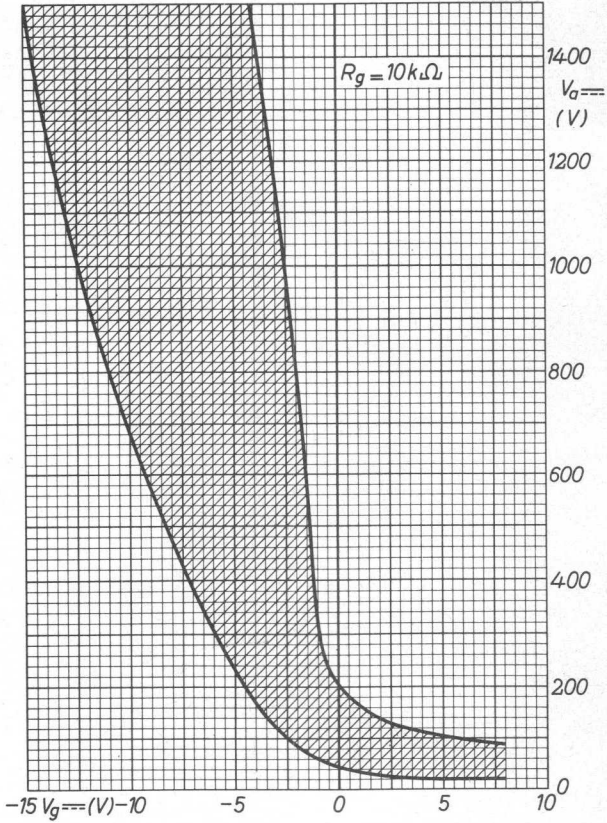
Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	12 V
Ionization time	$T_{ion}$	10 $\mu$ s
Recovery time (Deionization time), ( $V_g = -250$ V)	$T_{dion}$	40 $\mu$ s
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	( $V_g = -12$ V)	

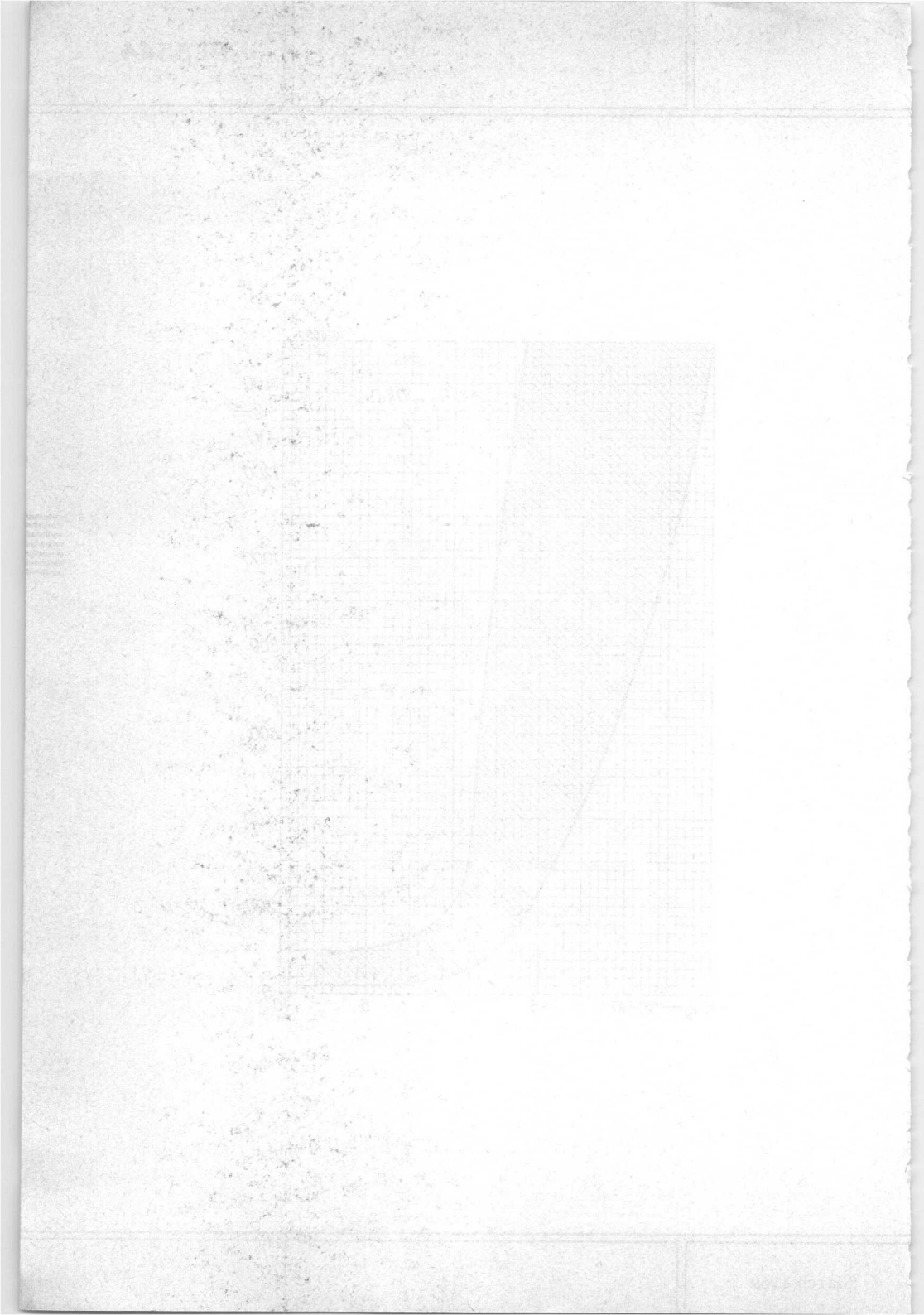
**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode voltage, peak forward	$V_{ap}$	max. 1500 V
	peak inverse	$V_{invp}$ max. 1500 V
Grid voltage, before conduction	$-V_g$	max. 250 V
	during conduction	$-V_g$ max. 10 V
Surge current ( $T = \text{max. } 0.1$ s)	$I_{surge}$	max. 560 A
Grid current ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 1$ cycle)	$I_g$	max. 0.2 A
Cathode current, peak	$I_{kp}$	max. 40 A
	average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 15$ s)	$I_k$ max. 3.2 A
Grid resistor	$R_g$	max. 100 k $\Omega$
		min. 0.5 k $\Omega$
	recommended value	$R_g$ 10 k $\Omega$
Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$	max. 70 $^{\circ}$ C
		min. -55 $^{\circ}$ C



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# THYRATRON

Xenon-filled triode thyatron intended for use in motor control equipment and similar applications.

QUICK REFERENCE DATA		
Anode voltage, peak forward	$V_{ap}$	max. 1500 V
peak inverse	$V_{invp}$	max. 1500 V
Cathode current, average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 15 \text{ s}$ )	$I_k$	max. 6.4 A
peak	$I_{kp}$	max. 80 A

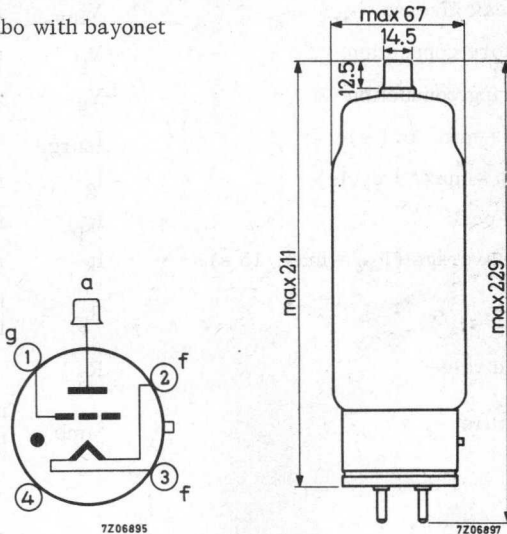
**HEATING:** direct

Filament voltage	$V_f$	2.5 V $\pm$ 5%
Filament current	$I_f$	21 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	min. 60 s

## MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm

Base: Super Jumbo with bayonet



Mounting position: Arbitrary between horizontal and vertical with base down

### Accessories

Socket	2422 511 01001
Cap connector	40619

**MECHANICAL DATA** (continued)

Net weight 340 g

**CAPACITANCES**

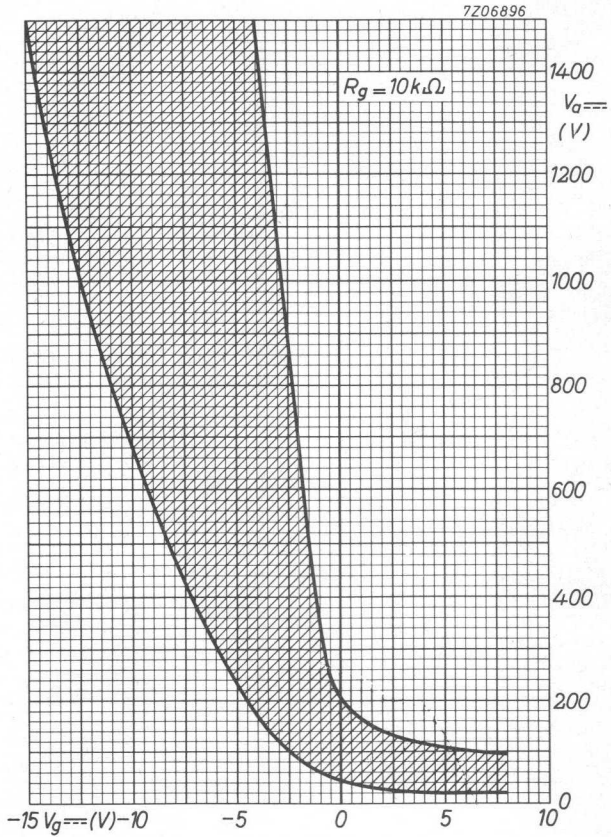
Anode to grid	$C_{ag}$	0.8 pF
Grid to filament	$C_{gf}$	45 pF

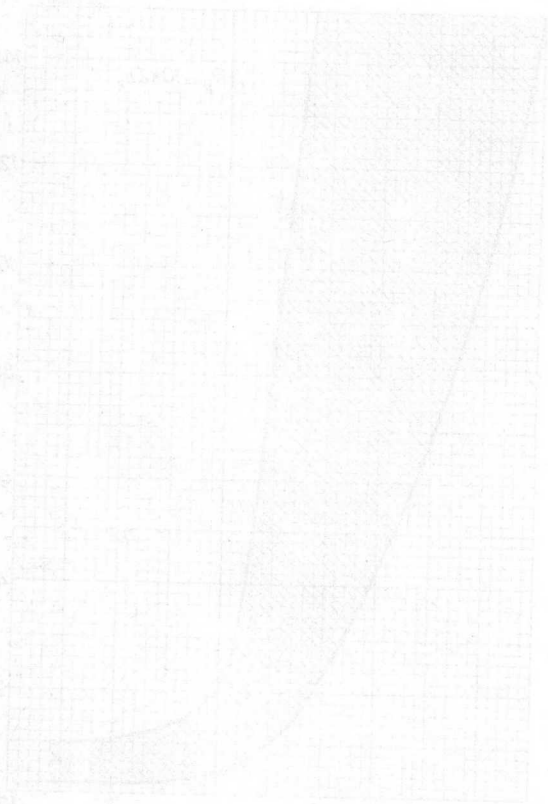
**TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	12 V
Ionization time	$T_{ion}$	10 $\mu$ s
Recovery time (Deionization time) ( $V_g = -250$ V)	$T_{dion}$	50 $\mu$ s
	$T_{dion}$	500 $\mu$ s
	( $V_g = -12$ V)	

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode voltage, peak forward	$V_{ap}$	max. 1500 V
	peak inverse	$V_{invp}$ max. 1500 V
Grid voltage, before conduction	$-V_g$	max. 250 V
	during conduction	$-V_g$ max. 10 V
Surge current ( $T = \text{max. } 0.1$ s)	$I_{surge}$	max. 1120 A
Grid current ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 1$ cycle)	$I_g$	max. 0.2 A
Cathode current, peak	$I_{kp}$	max. 80 A
	average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 15$ s)	$I_k$ max. 6.4 A
Grid resistor	$R_g$	max. 100 k $\Omega$ min. 0.5 k $\Omega$
	recommended value	$R_g$ 10 k $\Omega$
Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$	max. +70 $^{\circ}$ C min. -55 $^{\circ}$ C





## THYRATRON

Thyratron, mercury-vapour triode, for relay service, alarm and protection installations, D.C. and A.C. motor control, circuits for obtaining a variable A.C. output current (inverse parallel circuit), rectifier in a half-wave or full-wave circuit (with or without grid control).

QUICK REFERENCE DATA			
Anode voltage, peak forward	$V_{ap}$	max. 2500	V
peak inverse	$V_{ainvp}$	max. 5000	V
Anode current, peak	$I_{ap}$	max. 2	A
average	$I_a$	max. 0.5	A

### HEATING: direct

Filament voltage	$V_f$	2.5	V
Filament current	$I_f$	5.0	A
Waiting time, recommended	$T_w$	10	s
minimum	$T_w$	min. 5	s <sup>1)</sup>

### MECHANICAL DATA

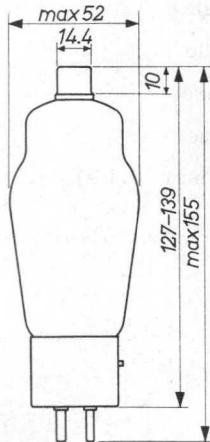
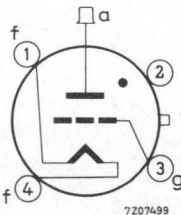
Base: Medium 4p with bayonet

Socket: 2422 511 90003

Net weight: 100 g

Mounting position: vertical, base down

Dimensions in mm



<sup>1)</sup> See curve page 4.

**CAPACITANCES**

Anode to grid	$C_{ag}$	3.3 pF
Grid to filament	$C_{gf}$	5.0 pF

**TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

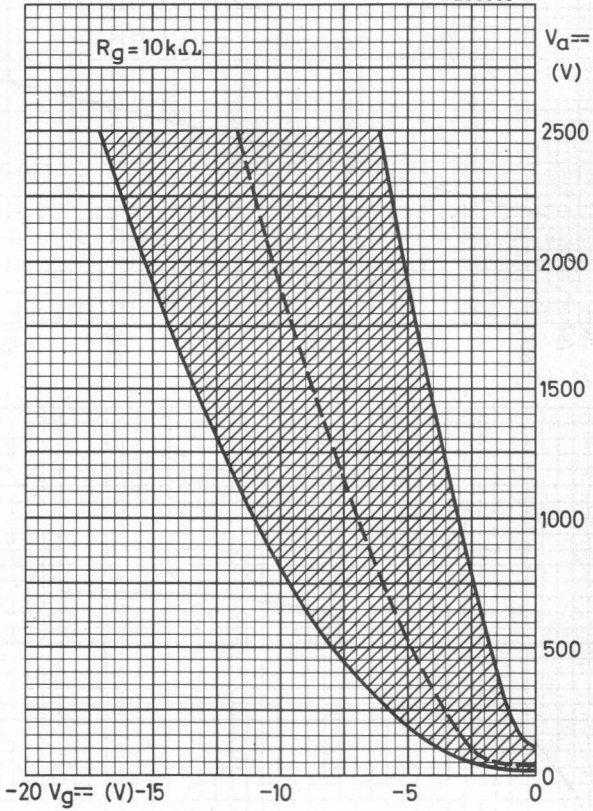
Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	12 V
Ionization time	$T_{ion}$	10 $\mu$ s
Deionization time	$T_{dion}$	1000 $\mu$ s
Frequency	f	max. 150 Hz

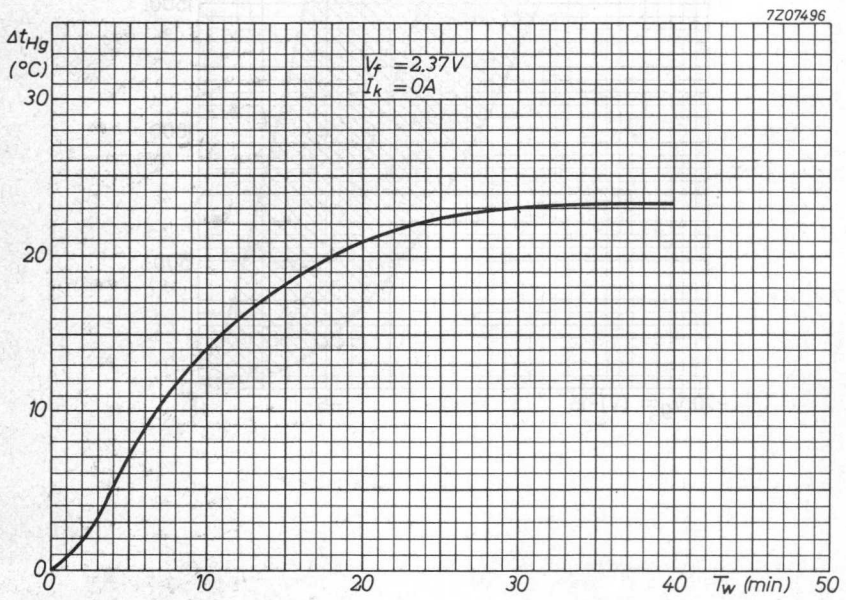
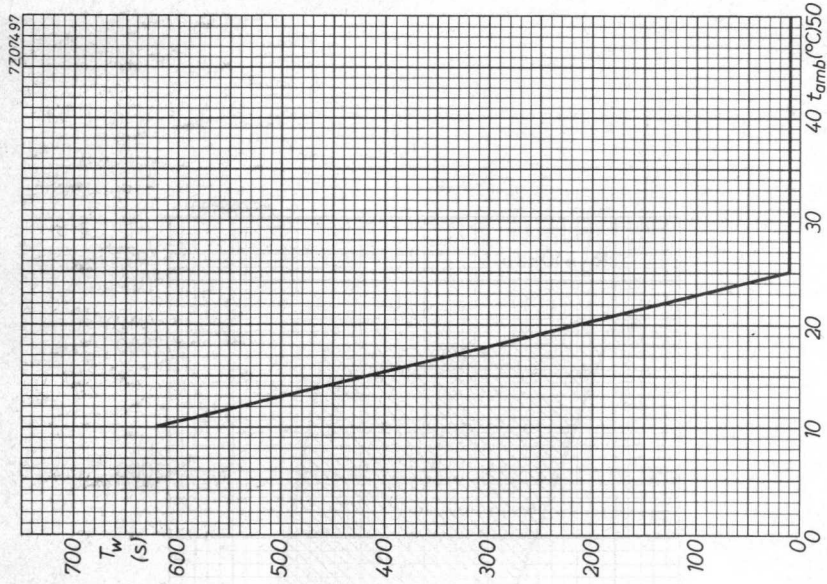
**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode voltage, forward peak	$V_{ap}$	max. 2500 V
inverse peak	$V_{a invp}$	max. 5000 V
Grid voltage	$-V_g$	max. 500 V
tube conductive	$-V_g$	max. 10 V
Anode current, peak (f < 25 Hz)	$I_{ap}$	max. 1 A
(f $\geq$ 25 Hz)	$I_{ap}$	max. 2 A
average ( $T_{av}$ = max. 15 s)	$I_a$	max. 0.5 A
Grid current, average ( $T_{av}$ = max. 15 s)	$I_g$	max. 0.05 A
Grid circuit resistance	$R_g$	max. 100 k $\Omega$
recommended value	$R_g$	10 k $\Omega$
Mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$	35 to 80 $^{\circ}$ C
recommended value	$t_{Hg}$	50 $^{\circ}$ C
Surge current (T = max. 0.1 s)	$I_{surge}$	max. 40 A



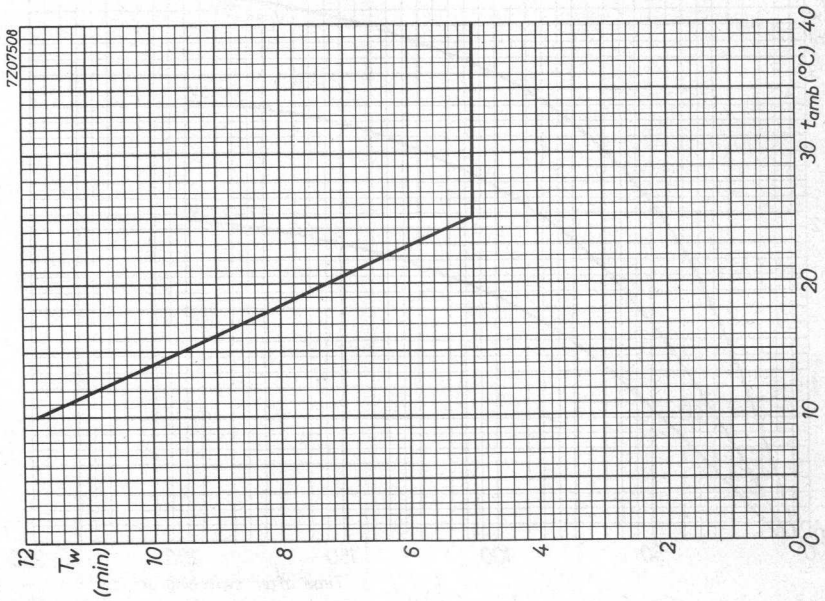
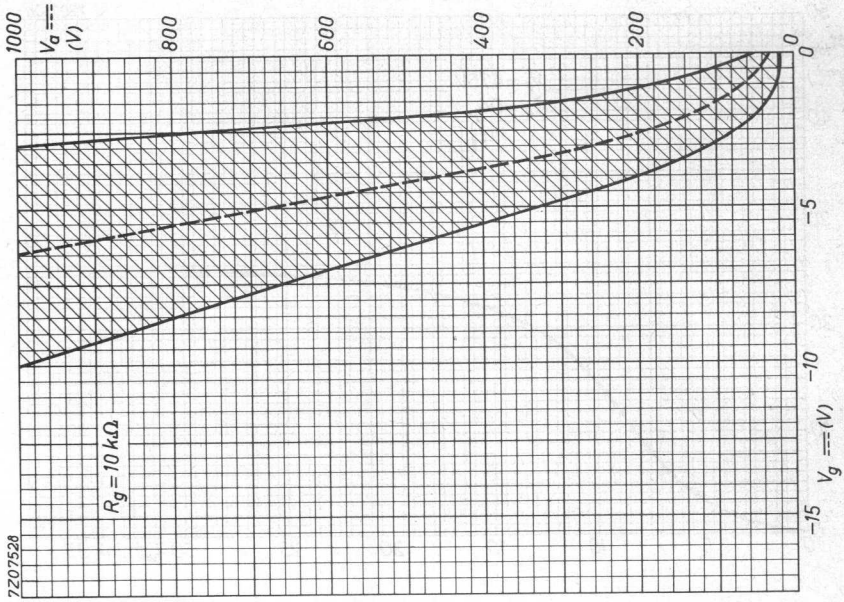
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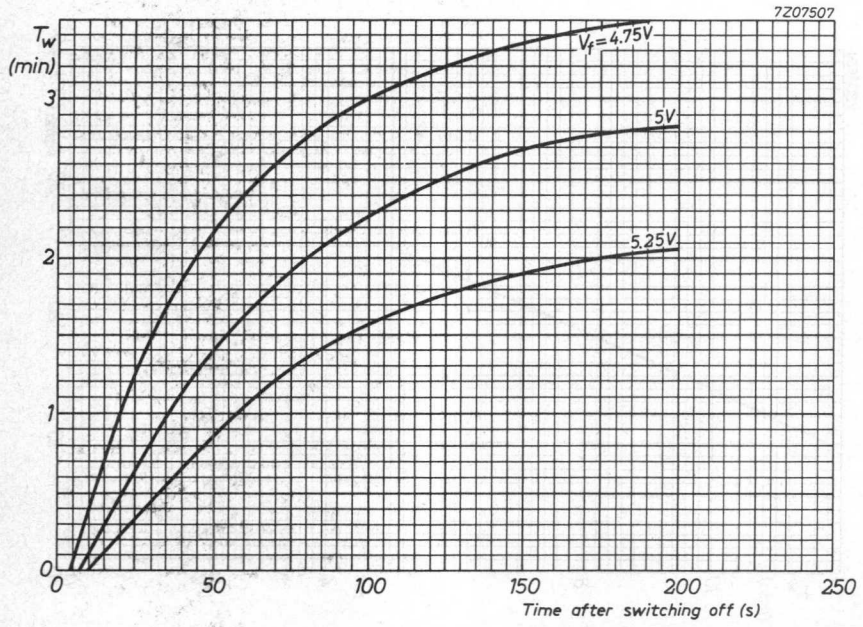
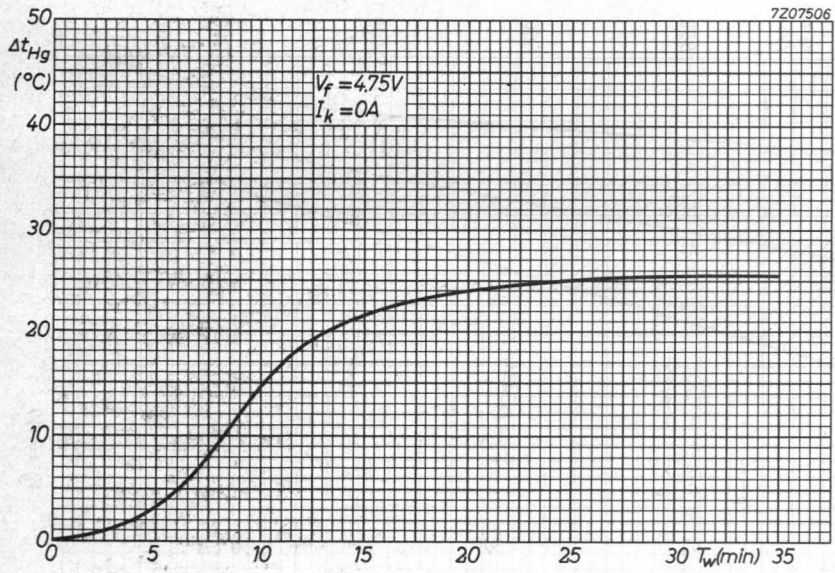












## THYRATRON

Thyratron, xenon-filled triode with negative control characteristic, for relay service, motor control, ignitor firing service.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Anode voltage, peak forward	$V_{ap}$	max. 900 V
peak inverse	$V_{a invp}$	max. 1250 V
Cathode current, peak	$I_{kp}$	max. 30 A
average	$I_k$	max. 2.5 A

**HEATING:** direct

Filament voltage	$V_f$	2.5 V
Filament current	$I_f$	9 A
Waiting time, recommended	$T_w$	60 s
minimum	$T_w$	min. 30 s

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm

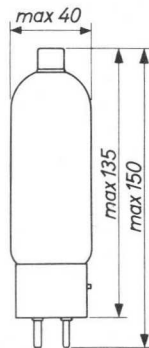
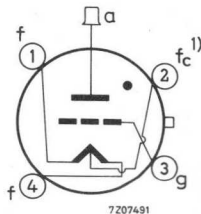
Base: Medium 4p with bayonet

Socket: 2422 511 90003

Cap connector: 40619

Net weight: 95 g

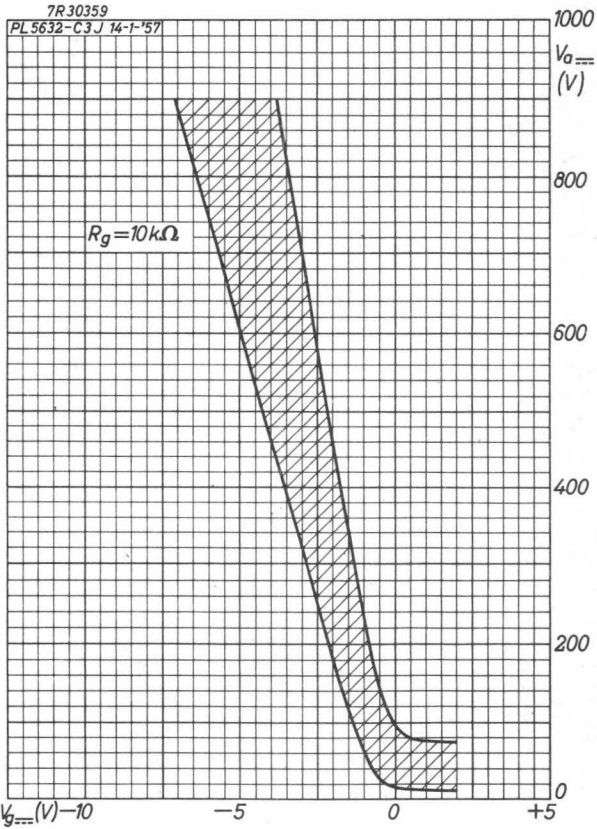
Mounting position: any



1) Load return









## THYRATRON

Thyratron, xenon-filled triode with negative control characteristic, for relay service, motor control, ignitor firing service.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Anode voltage, peak forward	$V_{ap}$	max. 1000 V
peak inverse	$V_{a invp}$	max. 1250 V
Cathode current, peak	$I_{kp}$	max. 30 A
average	$I_k$	max. 2.5 A

**HEATING:** direct

Filament voltage	$V_f$	2.5 V
Filament current	$I_f$	9 A
Waiting time, recommended	$T_w$	60 s
minimum	$T_w$	min. 30 s

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm

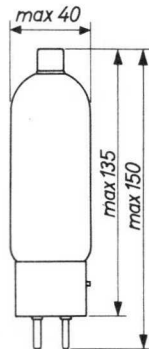
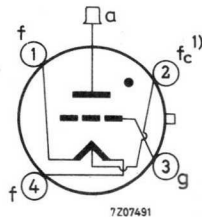
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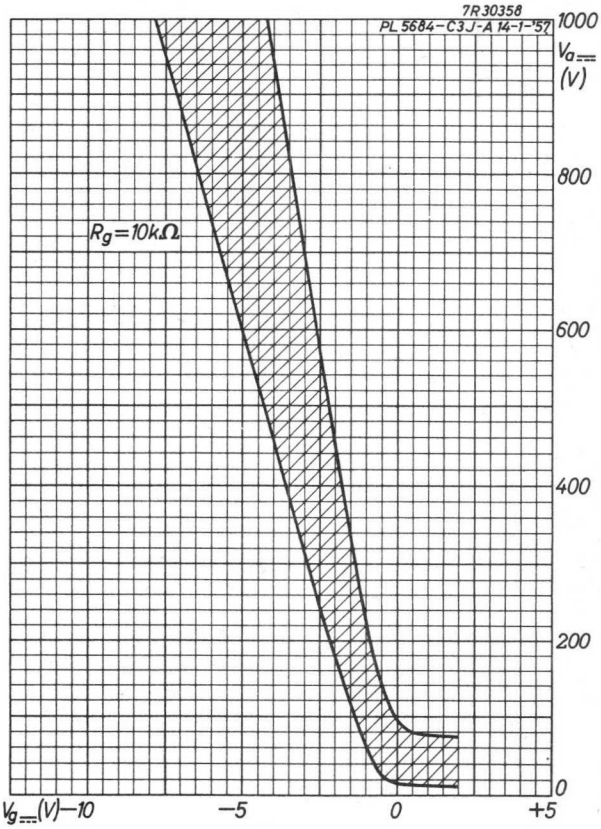
Net weight: 95 g

Mounting position: any



<sup>1)</sup> Load return





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**TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Ionization time

at  $V_a = 100$  V, grid No.1 over-voltage = 50 V (substantial square pulse)

Anode peak current during conduction = 0.5 A

$T_{ion} = 0.5 \mu s$

Deionization time

at  $V_a = 125$  V,  $V_{g1} = -100$  V,  $R_{g1} = 1000 \Omega$ ,  $I_a = 0.1$  A

$T_{dion} = 35 \mu s$

Deionization time

at  $V_a = 125$  V,  $V_{g1} = -10$  V,  $R_{g1} = 1000 \Omega$ ,  $I_a = 0.1$  A

$T_{dion} = 75 \mu s$

Critical grid No.1 current

at  $V_{a\sim} = 125$  VRMS,  $I_a = 0.1$  A

$I_{g1} = 0.5 \mu A$

Maintaining voltage

$V_{arc} = 8$  V

Control ratio grid No.1 at striking point

$R_{g1} = 0 \Omega$ ,  $V_{g2} = 0$  V

$\frac{V_a}{V_{g1}} = 250$

Control ratio grid No.2 at striking point

$V_{g1} = 0$  V,  $R_{g1} = 0 \Omega$ ,  $R_{g2} = 0 \Omega$

$\frac{V_a}{V_{g2}} = 1000$

**OPERATING CONDITIONS** for relay service

Anode voltage

$V_{a\sim} = 117 \quad 400$  VRMS

Grid No.2 voltage

$V_{g2} = 0 \quad 0$  V

Grid No.1 (bias) voltage

$V_{g1\sim} = 5 \quad -$  VRMS <sup>1)</sup>

Grid No.1 (bias) voltage

$V_{g1} = - \quad -6$  V

Grid No.1 peak (signal) voltage

$V_{g1p} = 5 \quad 6$  V

Anode circuit resistance

$R_a = 1.2 \quad 2.0$  k $\Omega$

Grid No.1 circuit resistance

$R_{g1} = 1.0 \quad 1.0$  M $\Omega$

<sup>1)</sup> Phase difference between  $V_a$  and  $V_{g1}$  approx. 180°.



**LIMITING VALUES** for relay- and grid controlled service  
(Absolute max. rating system)

Anode voltage,

forward peak	$V_{ap}$	= max. 650 V
inverse peak	$V_{ainvp}$	= max. 1300 V

Grid No.2 voltage,

peak before conduction	$-V_{g2p}$	= max. 100 V
average during conduction $T_{av} = \text{max. } 30 \text{ s}$	$-V_{g2}$	= max. 10 V

Grid No.1 voltage,

peak before conduction	$-V_{g1p}$	= max. 100 V
average during conduction $T_{av} = \text{max. } 30 \text{ s}$	$-V_{g1}$	= max. 10 V

Cathode current,

peak	$I_{kp}$	= max. 0.5 A
average, $T_{av} = \text{max. } 30 \text{ s}$	$I_k$	= max. 0.1 A
surge, $T = \text{max. } 0.1 \text{ s}$	$I_{surge}$	= max. 10 A

Grid No.2 current,

average, $T_{av} = \text{max. } 30 \text{ s}$	$I_{g2}$	= max. 10 mA <sup>1)</sup>
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Grid No.1 current,

average, $T_{av} = \text{max. } 30 \text{ s}$	$I_{g1}$	= max. 10 mA
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Cathode to heater voltage,

k pos., peak	$V_{+kf-p}$	= max. 100 V
k neg., peak	$V_{-kft-p}$	= max. 25 V

Heater voltage

$V_f$	= max. 6.9 V
	= min. 5.7 V

Ambient temperature

$t_{amb}$	= min. -75 °C
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Bulb temperature

$t_{bulb}$	= max. 150 °C
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**CIRCUIT DESIGN VALUES**

Grid No.1 circuit resistance  
recommended value

$R_{g1}$	= max. 10 MΩ
$R_{g1}$	= 1 MΩ

<sup>1)</sup> In order not to exceed this maximum value it is recommended to insert a resistor of 1000 Ω in the grid No.2 lead.

**LIMITING VALUES** for pulse modulator service (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode voltage,			
forward peak	$V_{ap}$	= max.	500 V <sup>1)</sup>
inverse peak	$V_{ainvp}$	= max.	100 V
Grid No.2 voltage,			
peak before conduction	$-V_{g2p}$	= max.	50 V
average during conduction	$-V_{g2}$	= max.	10 V
Grid No.1 voltage,			
peak before conduction	$-V_{g1p}$	= max.	100 V
average during conduction	$-V_{g1}$	= max.	10 V
Cathode current,			
peak	$I_{kp}$	= max.	10 A
average	$I_k$	= max.	10 mA
rate of change	$dI_k/dT$	= max.	100 A/ $\mu$ s
Grid No.2 current, peak	$I_{g2p}$	= max.	20 mA
Grid No.1 current, peak	$I_{g1p}$	= max.	20 mA
Impulse duration	$T_{imp}$	= max.	5 $\mu$ s
Impulse repetition frequency	$f$	= max.	500 pps
Duty factor	$\delta$	= max.	0.001
Cathode to heater voltage, peak	$V_{kfp}$	= max.	0 V
Heater voltage	$V_f$	= max.	6.0 V
		= min.	6.9 V
Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$	= min.	-75 °C
Bulb temperature	$t_{bulb}$	= max.	150 °C

**CIRCUIT DESIGN VALUES**

Grid No.2 circuit resistance	$R_{g2}$	= min.	2 k $\Omega$
		= max.	25 k $\Omega$
Grid No.1 circuit resistance	$R_{g1}$	= max.	500 k $\Omega$

1) After completion of an impulse, a 20  $\mu$ s delay is required before a positive voltage of more than 10 V is applied to the tube.

**LIMITING VALUES** for use in capacitor discharge circuit for ignitron ignition  
(Absolute max. rating system)

See also data sheet ignitron ZX1000 under the heading "Life expectancy"

Anode voltage,

$$\text{forward peak} \quad V_{ap} = \text{max. } 650 \text{ V}$$

$$\text{inverse peak} \quad V_{ainvp} = \text{max. } 100 \text{ V}$$

Grid No.2 voltage,

$$\text{peak before conduction} \quad -V_{g2p} = \text{max. } 50 \text{ V}$$

$$\text{average during conduction} \quad -V_{g2} = \text{max. } 10 \text{ V}$$

Grid No.1 voltage,

$$\text{peak before conduction} \quad -V_{g1p} = \text{max. } 100 \text{ V}$$

$$\text{average during conduction} \quad -V_{g1} = \text{max. } 10 \text{ V}$$

Cathode current,

$$\text{peak} \quad I_{kp} = \text{max. } 10 \text{ A}$$

$$\text{average} \quad I_k = \text{max. } 5 \text{ mA}$$

$$\text{rate of change} \quad dI_k/dT = \text{max. } 6 \text{ A}/\mu\text{s}$$

Grid No.2 current, peak

$$I_{g2p} = \text{max. } 20 \text{ mA}$$

Grid No.1 current, peak

$$I_{g1p} = \text{max. } 20 \text{ mA}$$

Impulse duration (half sine wave)

$$T_{imp} = \text{max. } 15 \mu\text{s}$$

Impulse repetition frequency

$$f = \text{max. } 60 \text{ pps}$$

Cathode to heater voltage, peak

$$V_{kfp} = \text{max. } 3 \text{ V}$$

Heater voltage

$$V_f = \text{min. } 5.7 \text{ V}$$

$$= \text{max. } 6.9 \text{ V}$$

Ambient temperature

$$t_{amb} = \text{min. } -75 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$$

Bulb temperature

$$t_{bulb} = \text{max. } 150 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$$

**CIRCUIT DESIGN VALUES**

Grid No.2 circuit resistance

$$R_{g2} = \text{min. } 1 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$= \text{max. } 25 \text{ k}\Omega$$

Grid No.1 circuit resistance

$$R_{g1} = \text{max. } 100 \text{ k}\Omega$$

**SHOCK AND VIBRATION RESISTANCE**

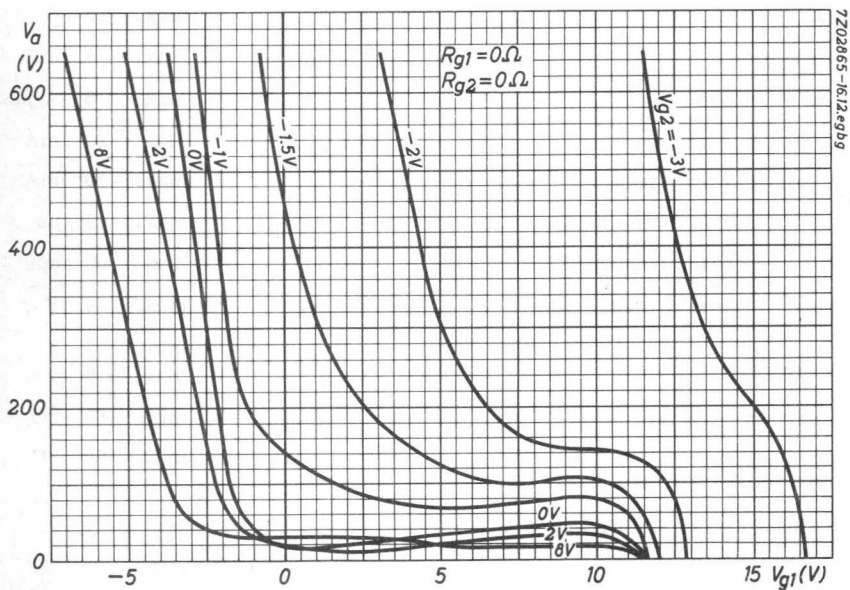
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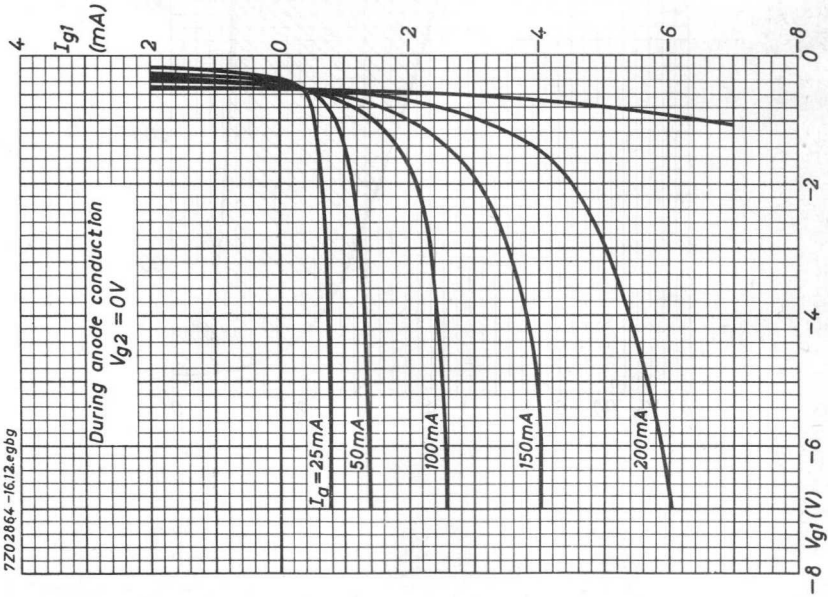
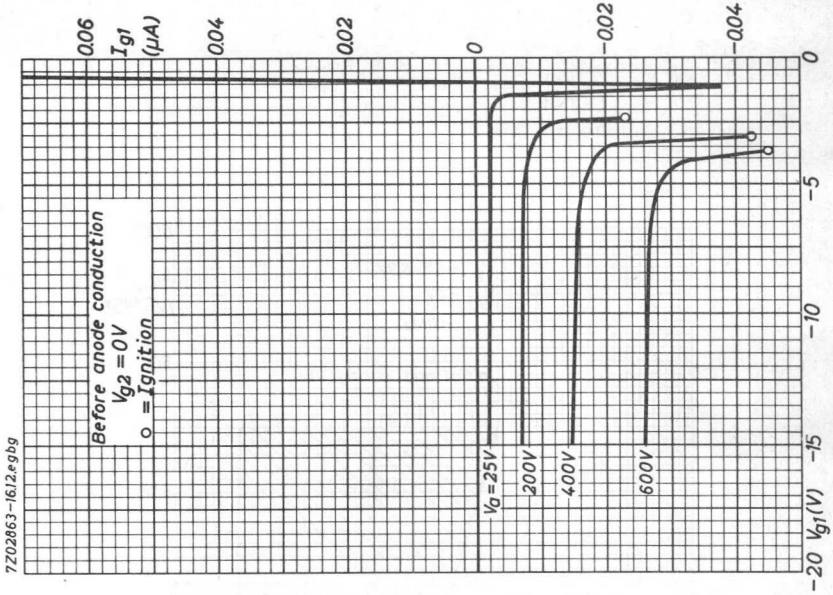
Shock resistance: 750 g

Forces as applied by the NRL impact machine for electronic devices caused by 5 blows of the hammer lifted over an angle of 48° in each of 4 different positions of the tube.

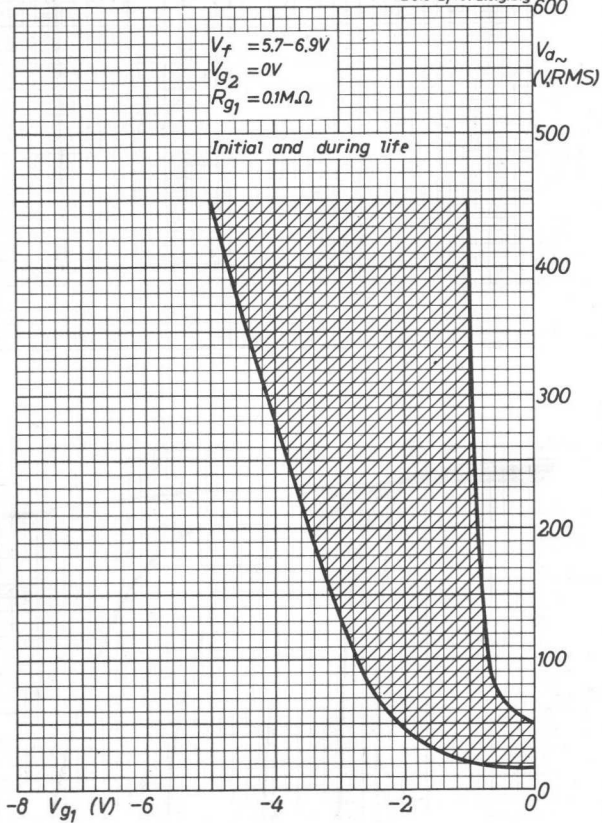
Vibration resistance: 2.5 g

Vibrational forces for a period of 32 hours at a frequency of 50 Hz in each of 3 directions of the tube.





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# THYRATRON

Thyratron, inert gas filled tetrode, with negative control characteristic.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Anode voltage, peak forward	$V_{ap}$	max. 650 V
Cathode current, peak	$I_{kp}$	max. 2 A
average	$I_k$	max. 300 mA

### HEATING: direct

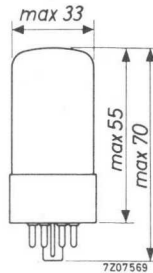
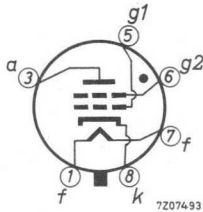
Heater voltage	$V_f$	6.3 V
Heater current	$I_f$	950 mA
Waiting time	$T_w$	min. 15 s

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm

Base: octal

Mounting position: any



### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

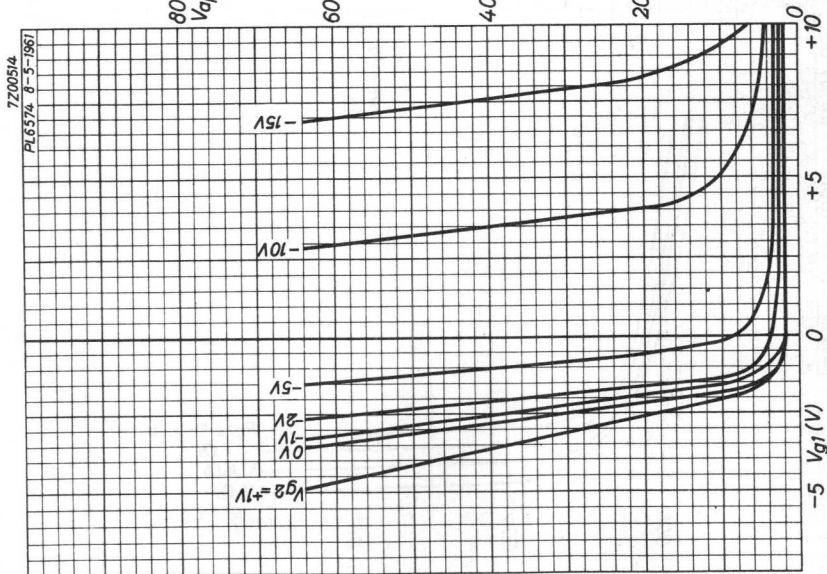
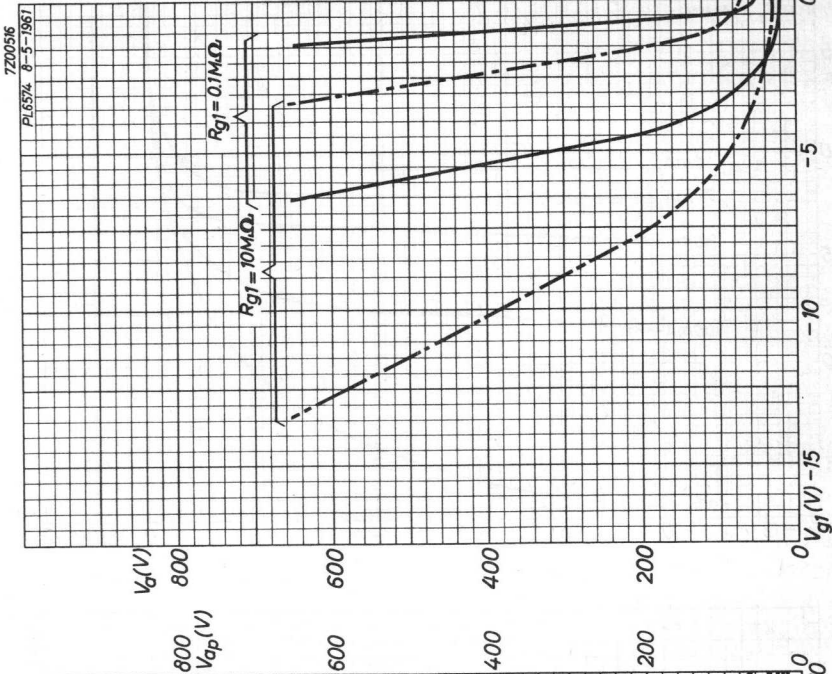
Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	10 V
Ratio $V_a/V_{g1}$ , at striking point ( $V_{g2} = 0$ V, $R_{g1} = 0$ $\Omega$ )	$V_a/V_{g1}$	275 -
Ratio $V_a/V_{g2}$ , at striking point ( $V_{g1} = 0$ V, $R_{g2} = 0$ $\Omega$ )	$V_a/V_{g2}$	370 -

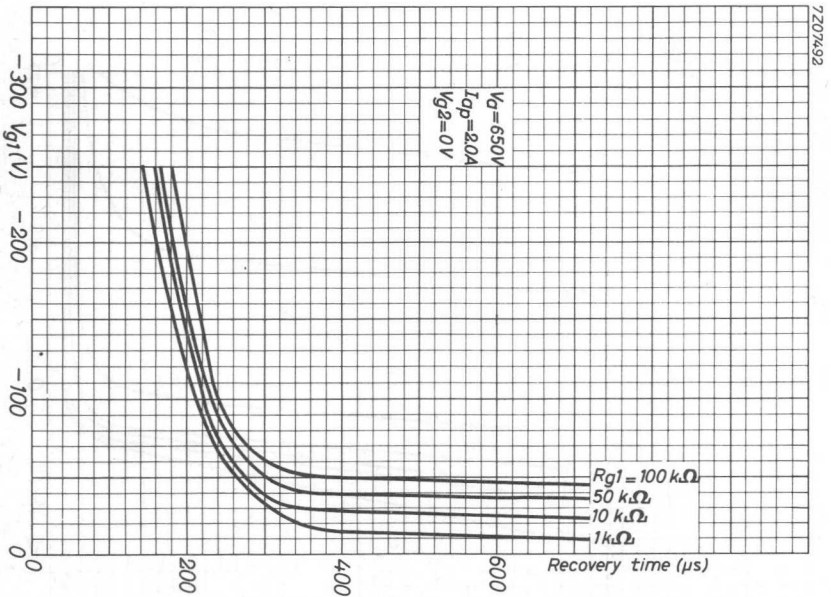
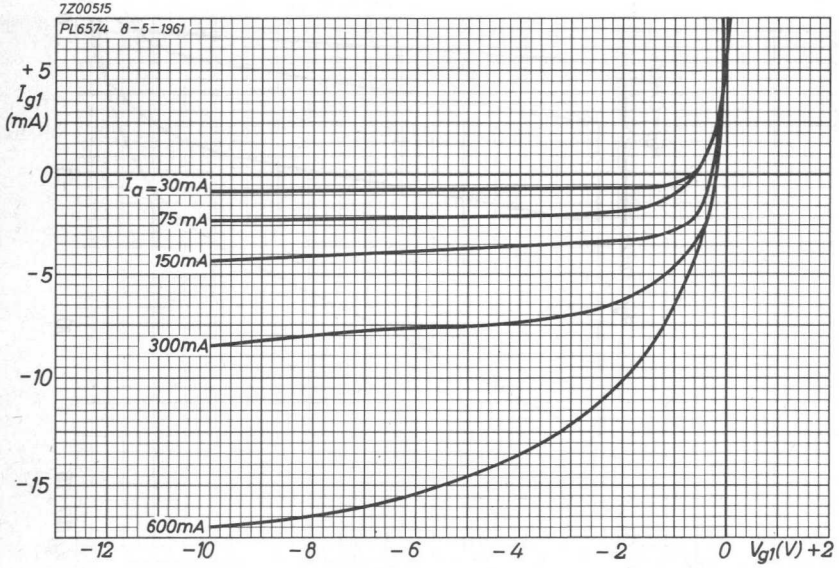
**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode voltage, peak forward	$V_{ap}$	max. 650 V
peak inverse	$V_{a\ inv p}$	max. 1.3 kV
Grid No. 2 voltage	$V_{g2}$	max. 100 V
tube conductive	$V_{g2}$	max. 10 V
Grid No. 1 voltage	$-V_{g1}$	max. 250 V
tube conductive	$-V_{g1}$	max. 10 V
Cathode current, peak	$I_{kp}$	max. 2 A
average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 15 \text{ s}$ )	$I_k$	max. 300 mA
Grid No. 1 current, peak	$I_{g1p}$	max. 1 mA <sup>1)</sup>
average ( $V_a > -10 \text{ V}$ ) ( $T_{av} = 1 \text{ cycle}$ )	$I_{g1}$	max. 20 mA
Grid No. 2 current ( $V_a > -10 \text{ V}$ ) ( $T_{av} = 1 \text{ cycle}$ )	$I_{g2}$	max. 20 mA
Grid No. 1 circuit resistance ( $I_k = 200 \text{ mA}$ )	$R_{g1}$	max. 10 M $\Omega$
Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$	-75 to +90 °C
Surge current ( $T = \text{max. } 0.1 \text{ s}$ )	$I_{surge}$	max. 10 A
Cathode to heater voltage, k pos.	$V_{kf}$	max. 100 V
k neg.	$V_{kf}$	max. 25 V

<sup>1)</sup> During the period that  $V_a$  is more negative than -10 V.





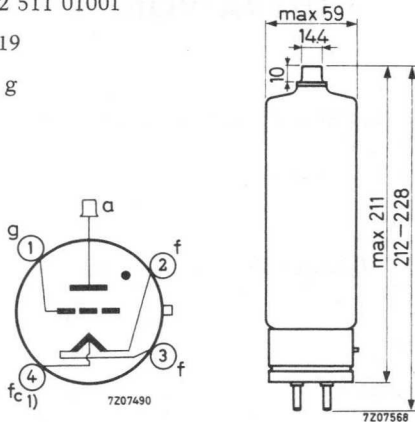




**MECHANICAL DATA**

Dimensions in mm

Base : Super jumbo with bayonet  
Socket : 2422 511 01001  
Cap connector: 40619  
Net weight : 345 g



Mounting position: Vertical with base down.

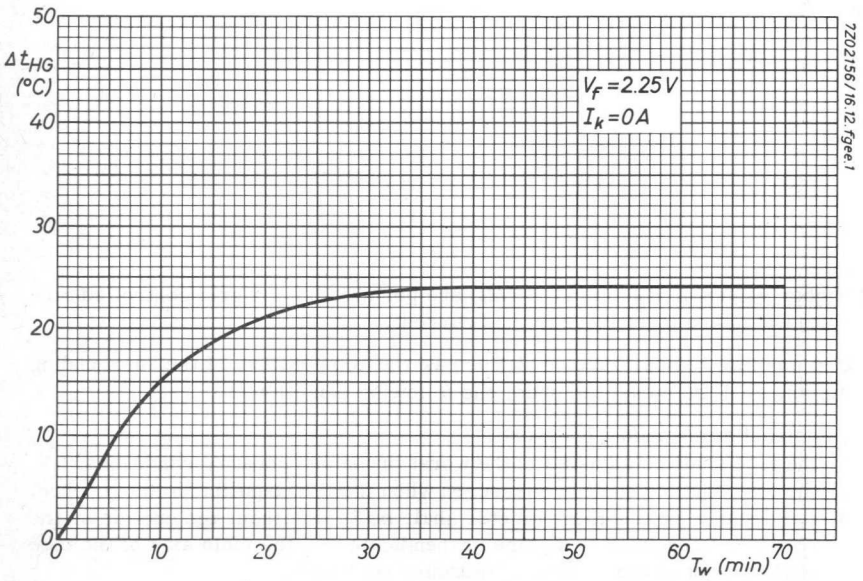
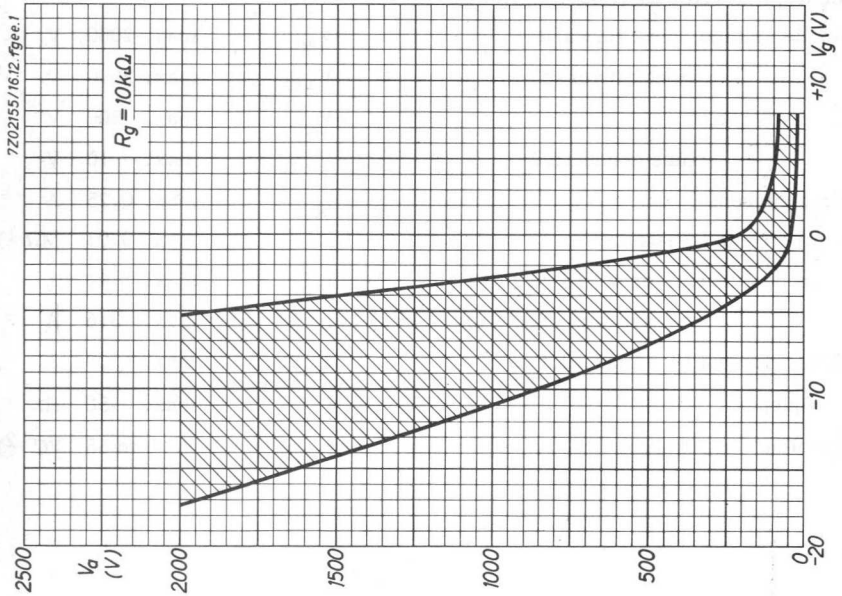
The cross section of the flexible anode lead should be at least  $4 \text{ mm}^2$   
 $f_c$  should preferably be used as the cathode return connection

**REMARK**

The difference between ambient and condensed mercury temperature with natural cooling is about  $30 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . By directing a low velocity air flow of ambient temperature or lower to the glass just above the base, the difference between ambient and condensed mercury temperature can be decreased. This is important at high ambient temperatures ( $40$  to  $70 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ) and high peak inverse and forward voltages ( $2 \text{ kV}$ ).

1) Load return.

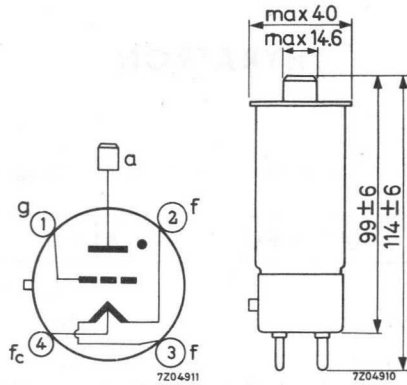






MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm



<u>Base</u>	Medium 4-pin with bayonet
<u>Top cap</u>	CT3
<u>Mounting position:</u>	any between horizontal and vertical with base down
<u>Net weight</u>	approx. 115 g
<u>Cooling</u>	convection
<u>Accessories</u>	
Socket	2422 511 04001
Top cap connector	type 40619

TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	approx. 10 V
Commutation factor		10 VA/ $\mu s^2$
Ignition delay time	$T_{delay}$	See page 5
Recovery (deionisation time)		
$V_g = -250 V$	$T_{dion}$	200 $\mu s$
$V_g = -100 V$	$T_{dion}$	300 $\mu s$
Critical grid current at $V_a = 1.5 kV$	$I_g$	< 20 $\mu A$



**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute maximum rating system)

Anode voltage, forward and inverse peak

$I_k < 1.6 \text{ A}$ , $I_{kp} < 20 \text{ A}$	$V_{ap}$ , $V_{ainvp}$	max.	1.5 kV
$I_k > 1.6 \text{ A}$	$V_{ap}$ , $V_{ainvp}$	max.	1.25 kV

Grid voltage

before conduction	$-V_g$	max.	300 V
during conduction	$-V_g$	max.	10 V

Grid current during the time that the anode voltage is more positive than  $-10 \text{ V}$ , peak

$I_{gp}$	max.	1.25 A
$I_g$	max.	100 mA

average,  $T_{av} = \text{max. } 20 \text{ ms}$

Grid current during the time that the anode voltage is more negative than  $-10 \text{ V}$

$I_{gp}$	max.	5.0 mA
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Cathode current

peak (25 Hz and above) <sup>1)</sup>

$V_a < 1.25 \text{ kV}$	$I_{kp}$	max.	30 A
$V_a = 1.5 \text{ kV}$	$I_{kp}$	max.	20 A

average (see page 6)

$T_{av} = \text{max. } 15 \text{ s}$ , $V_a = 1.5 \text{ kV}$	$I_k$	max.	1.6 A
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$T_{av} = \text{max. } 10 \text{ s}$ , $V_a < 1.25 \text{ kV}$	$I_k$	max.	2.5 A
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surge (fault protection, $T = \text{max. } 0.1 \text{ s}$ )	$I_{\text{surge}}$	max.	300 A <sup>2)</sup>
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Ambient temperature <sup>3)</sup>

$t_{\text{amb}}$	-55 to +75	$^{\circ}\text{C}$
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**CIRCUIT DESIGN VALUES**

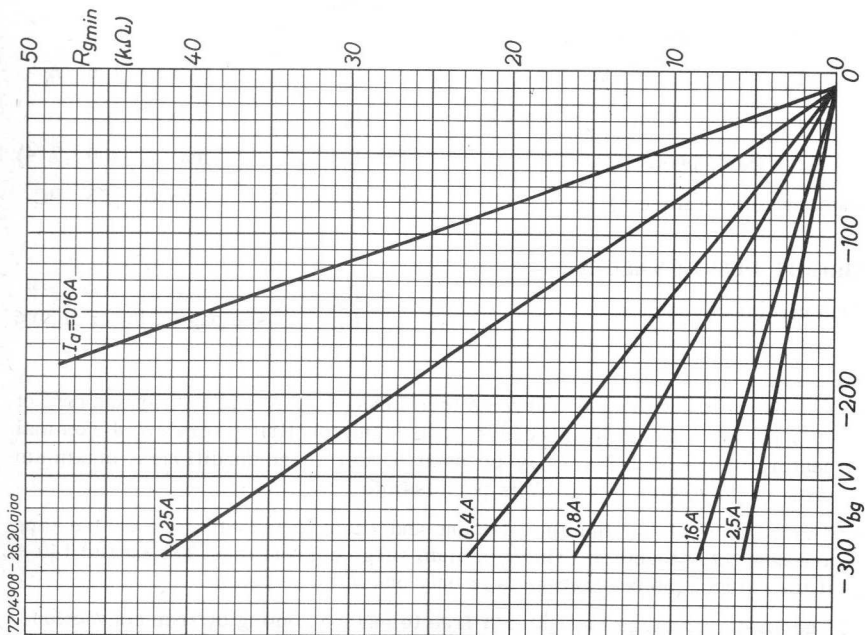
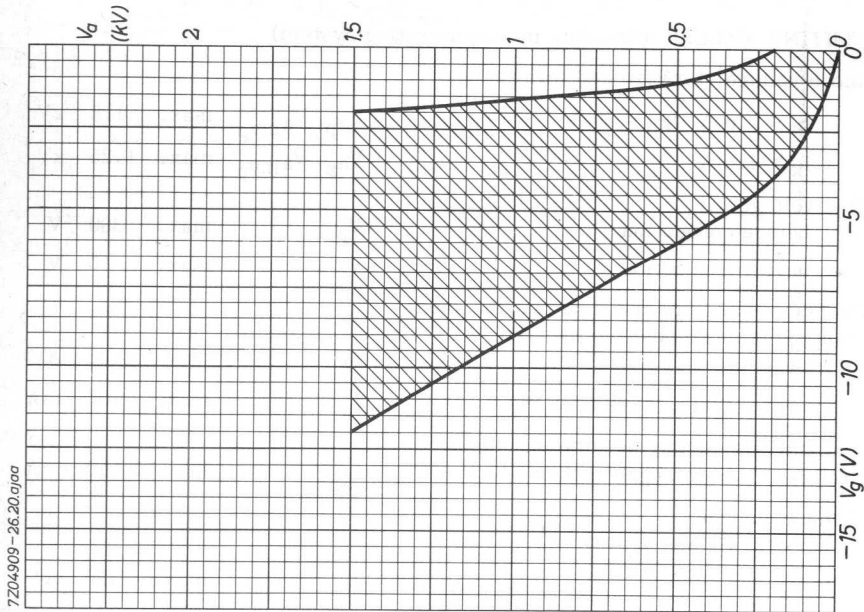
Grid circuit resistance

$R_g$	max.	100 $\text{k}\Omega$
$R_g$	see page 4 lower figure	

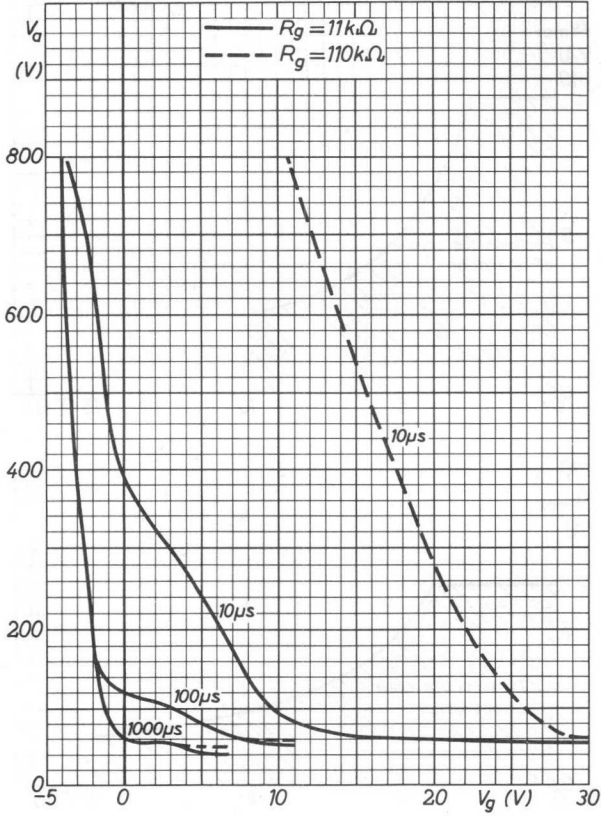
1) For operation with peak currents in excess of 20 A and a mean current of less than 0.5 A, such as occurs under ignitron firing service, a nominal heater voltage of 2.75 V may be used. Under these conditions a maximum peak anode voltage of 1.5 kV is permissible.

2) The rating applies when the filament and filament transformer centre taps are connected together. The maximum surge current must not exceed 140 A if the cathode current return is to only one of these points.

3) The anode structure must be left free to ensure cooling by free convection.

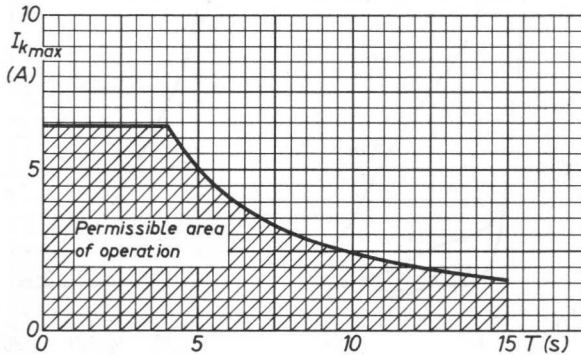
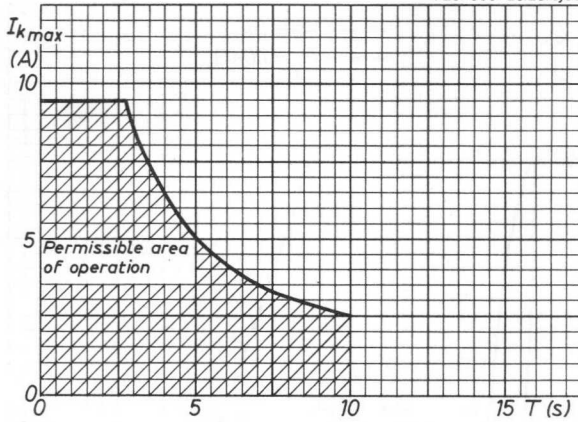


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Nominal variation between anode and grid voltages for different ignition delay times

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The top curve shows the maximum number of seconds in any 10 second period for which a given average current may be drawn from a sinusoidal supply if the peak voltage applied to the tube is less than 1.25 kV. The bottom curve shows the maximum number of seconds in any 15 second period for which a given average current may be drawn from a sinusoidal supply if the applied peak voltage lies between 1.25 and 1.5 kV.

## HYDROGEN THYRATRON

## QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Maximum peak forward voltage	$V_{ap}$	=	max. 3 kV
Maximum peak inverse voltage	$V_{a\ inv_p}$	=	max. 3 kV
Maximum peak anode current	$I_{ap}$	=	max. 35 A
Maximum average anode current	$I_a$	=	max. 45 mA
The tube has a positive control characteristic			

## APPLICATION

Service in pulse modulator circuits of radar systems.

The properties of the tube suggest other applications such as frequency converter (high efficiency induction heating), shock excitation of tuned circuits, in pulse time modulation circuits, use in control circuits.

## HEATING: indirect

Heater voltage	$V_f$	=	6.3 V	$+5\%$ $-10\%$
Heater current at $V_f = 6.3$ V	$I_f$	=	2.0 to 2.5 A	
Waiting time	$T_w$	=	min. 2 min.	

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute limits)

Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$	=	-50 to +90 °C
<u>Anode</u>			
Anode supply voltage (D.C.)	$V_{ba}$	= min.	800 V
Peak forward anode voltage	$V_{ap}$	= max.	3 kV <sup>1)</sup>
Peak inverse anode voltage	$V_{a invp}$	= max. = min.	3 kV <sup>2)</sup> 0.05 $V_{ap}$
Peak anode current	$I_{ap}$	= max.	35 A
Average anode current	$I_a$	= max.	45 mA
Rate of rise of cathode current	$dI_k/dt$	= max.	750 A/ $\mu$ sec
Operating factor	$V_{ap} \cdot I_{ap} \cdot f_{imp}$	= max.	$0.3 \times 10^9$ VAHz

Grid

Peak inverse grid voltage	$V_g invp$	= max.	200 V
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Grid drive requirements, measured at the tube socket with the grid disconnected.

Peak voltage	$V_p$	= min.	175 V
Pulse duration at amplitude of min. 50 V	$T_{imp}$	= min.	2 $\mu$ sec
Time of rise of voltage pulse	$T_{rv}$	= max.	0.5 $\mu$ sec
Impedance of grid drive circuit	$R_S$	= max.	1500 $\Omega$

**REMARKS**

1. Cooling of the anode lead is permissible but no stream of cooling air should be directly applied to the tube envelope.
2. The tube should be kept away from strong fields which could ionise the gas in the tube.

1) In case where the anode voltage is applied instantaneously the max. value should not be reached in less than 0.04 sec.

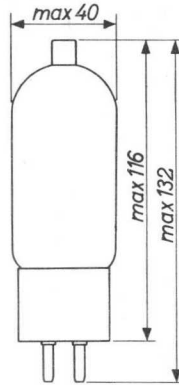
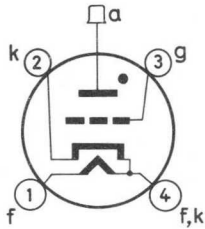
2) In pulsed operation the inverse voltage should not exceed 1.5 kV during the first 25  $\mu$ sec after the pulse (except for a spike of max. 0.05  $\mu$ sec duration).

## MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm

Base : medium 4 p

Net weight: 70 g



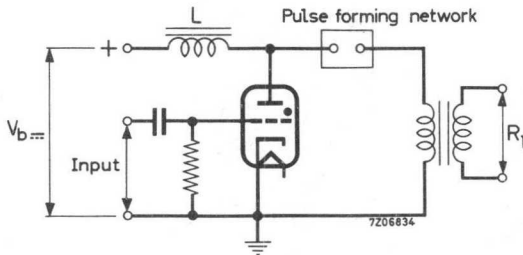
Mounting position: any; clamping at the base and/or at the bulb in the region up to 5 cm above the top of the base.

## ACCESSORIES

Socket : 2422 511 04001

Cap : Small

Simplified diagram of a typical modulator circuit employing the hydrogen thyratron.



1) At voltages above 2.5 kV the socket must be insulated from the chassis.

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## HYDROGEN THYRATRON

## QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Maximum peak forward voltage	$V_{ap}$	= max.	8 kV
Maximum peak inverse voltage	$V_{a invp}$	= max.	8 kV
Maximum peak anode current	$I_{ap}$	= max.	90 A
Maximum average anode current	$I_a$	= max.	100 mA

The tube has a positive control characteristic

## APPLICATION

Service in pulse modulator circuits of radar systems.

The properties of the tube suggest other applications such as frequency converter (high efficiency induction heating), shock excitation of tuned circuits, in pulse time modulation circuits, use in control circuits.

## HEATING: indirect

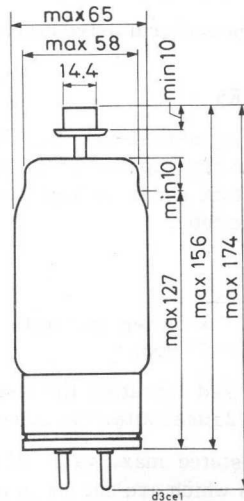
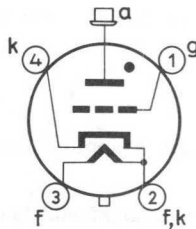
Heater voltage	$V_f$	=	6.3 V	+5%	-10%
Heater current at $V_f = 6.3$ V	$I_f$	=	5.5 to 6.7 A		
Waiting time	$T_w$	= min.	3 min		

## MECHANICAL DATA

Base : Super Jumbo with bayonet

Net weight: 200 g

Dimensions in mm



The return lead of the anode and grid circuits should be connected to pin 4.

Mounting position: any; clamping is advisable only at the base

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute limits)

Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$	=	-50 to +90 °C
<u>Anode</u>			
Anode supply voltage (DC)	$V_{b_a}$	=	min. 2.5 kV
Peak forward anode voltage	$V_{a_p}$	=	max. 8 kV <sup>1)</sup>
Peak inverse anode voltage	$V_{a\ inv_p}$	=	max. 8 kV <sup>2)</sup> min. 0.05 $V_{a_p}$
Peak anode current	$I_{a_p}$	=	max. 90 A
Average anode current	$I_a$	=	max. 100 mA
Rate of rise of cathode current	$dI_k/dt$	=	max. 1000 A/ $\mu$ sec
Operating factor	$V_{a_p} \cdot I_{a_p} \cdot f_{imp}$	=	max. $2 \times 10^9$ VAHz <sup>3)</sup>

Grid

Peak inverse grid voltage	$V_{g\ inv_p}$	=	max. 200 V
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Grid drive requirements, measured at the tube socket with the grid disconnected

Peak voltage	$V_p$	=	min. 175 V
Pulse duration at amplitude of min. 50 V	$T_{imp}$	=	min. 2 $\mu$ sec
Time of rise of voltage pulse	$T_{r_v}$	=	max. 0.5 $\mu$ sec
Impedance of grid drive circuit	$R_S$	=	max. 1500 $\Omega$

**REMARKS**

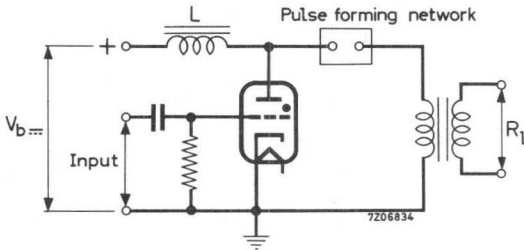
1. Cooling of the anode lead is permissible but no stream of cooling air should be directly applied to the tube envelope.
2. The tube should be kept away from strong fields which could ionise the gas in the tube.

<sup>1)</sup> Max. 7 kV when the anode voltage is applied instantaneously (time of rise min. 0.04 sec)

<sup>2)</sup> In pulsed operation the inverse voltage should not exceed 2.5 kV during the first 25  $\mu$ sec after the pulse (except for a spike of max. 0.05  $\mu$ sec duration).

<sup>3)</sup> The stated max. value of the operating factor applies to pulse repetition rates which are not far in excess of 2800 pulses per second. For considerably higher values it is advisable to apply to the manufacturer.

Simplified diagram of a typical modulation circuit employing the hydrogen thyatron



Measured at 3 kV in a typical circuit the time jitter is max.  $0.02 \mu\text{sec}$ . Under practical operating conditions the average value of the anode time jitter is about  $0.004 \mu\text{sec}$ .

The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions. It emphasizes that every entry should be clearly documented and verified. The second section details the various methods used to collect and analyze data, highlighting the need for consistency and precision. The third part of the report focuses on the results of the experiments conducted over a period of six months. It shows that the initial hypotheses were largely supported by the findings, although there were some unexpected variations. The final section concludes with a summary of the key findings and offers suggestions for further research in this field.

## HYDROGEN THYRATRON

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Maximum peak forward voltage	$V_{ap}$	= max. 16 kV
Maximum peak inverse voltage	$V_{a\ invp}$	= max. 16 kV
Maximum peak anode current	$I_{ap}$	= max. 325 A
Maximum average anode current	$I_a$	= max. 200 mA
The tube has a positive control characteristic		

### APPLICATION

Service in pulse modulator circuits of radar systems.

The properties of the tube suggest other applications such as frequency converter (high efficiency induction heating), shock excitation of tuned circuits, in pulse time modulation circuits, use in control circuits.

### HEATING: indirect

Heater voltage	$V_f$	=	6.3 V $\pm 7.5\%$
Heater current	$I_f$	=	9.6 to 11.6 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	= min.	5 min

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute limits)

Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$	=	-50 to +90 °C
<u>Anode</u>			
Anode supply voltage (DC)	$V_{ba}$	= min.	4.5 kV
Peak forward anode voltage	$V_{ap}$	= max.	16 kV <sup>1)</sup>
Peak inverse anode voltage	$V_a \text{ inv}_p$	= max.	16 kV <sup>2)</sup>
		= min.	0.05 $V_{ap}$
Peak anode current	$I_{ap}$	= max.	325 A
Average anode current	$I_a$	= max.	200 mA
Rate of rise of cathode current	$dI_k/dt$	= max.	1500 A/ $\mu$ sec
Operating factor	$V_{ap} \cdot I_{ap} \cdot f_{imp}$	= max.	$3.2 \times 10^9$ VAHz <sup>3)</sup>

Grid

Peak inverse grid voltage	$V_g \text{ inv}_p$	= max.	200 V
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Grid drive requirements, measured at the tube socket with the grid disconnected

Peak voltage	$V_p$	= min.	200 V
Pulse duration at amplitude of min. 50 V	$T_{imp}$	= min.	2 $\mu$ sec
Time of rise of voltage	$T_{rV}$	= max.	0.5 $\mu$ sec
Impedance of grid drive circuit	$R_S$	= max.	500 $\Omega$

**REMARKS**

1. Cooling of the anode lead is permissible but no stream of cooling air should be directly applied to the tube envelope
2. The tube should be kept away from strong fields which could ionise the gas in the tube

<sup>1)</sup> Max. 13.5 kV when the anode voltage is applied instantaneously (time of rise min. 0.04 sec)

<sup>2)</sup> In pulsed operation the inverse voltage should not exceed 5 kV during the first 25  $\mu$ sec after the pulse (except for a spike of max. 0.05  $\mu$ sec duration).

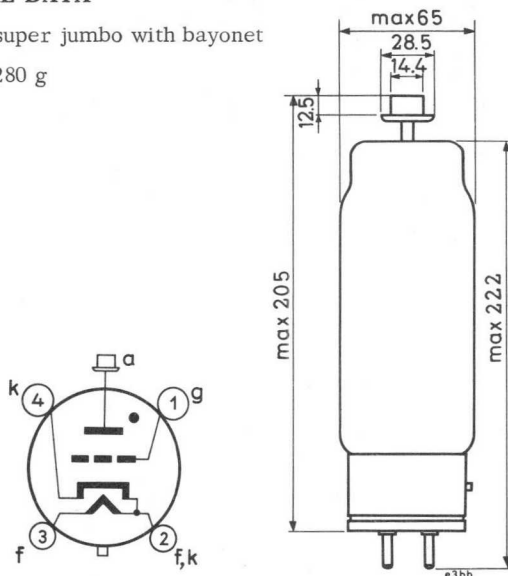
<sup>3)</sup> The stated max. value of the operating factor applies to pulse repetition rates which are not far in excess of 1000 pulses per second. For considerably higher values it is advisable to apply to the manufacturer.

## MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm

Base : super jumbo with bayonet

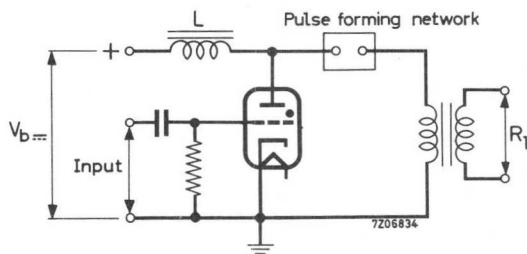
Net weight: 280 g



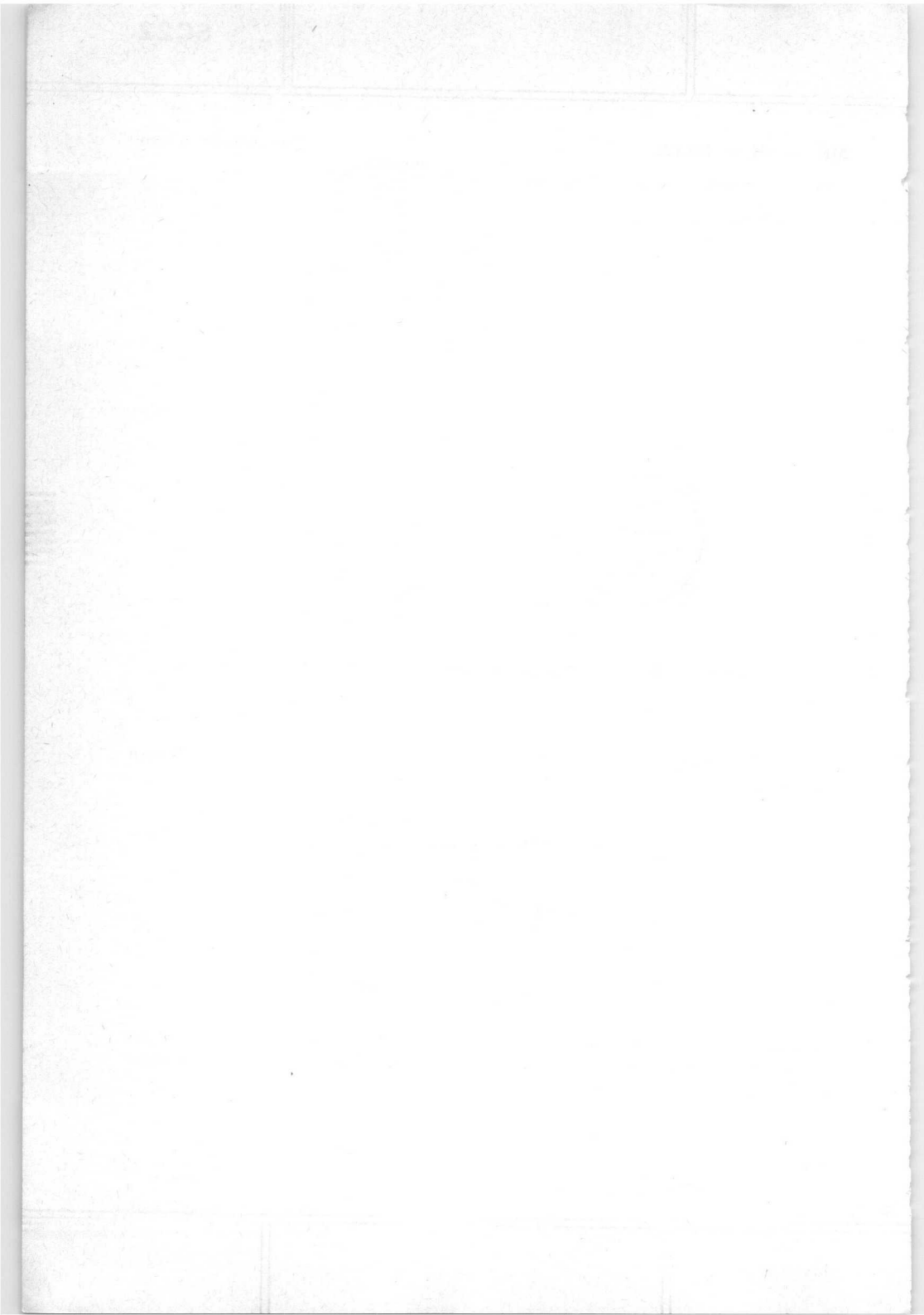
The return lead of the anode and grid circuits should be connected to pin 4

Mounting position: any; clamping is advisable only at the base

SIMPLIFIED DIAGRAM of a typical modulator circuit employing the hydrogen thyratron



Measured at 5 kV in a typical circuit the time jitter is max.  $0.02 \mu\text{sec}$ . Under practical operating conditions the average value of the anode time jitter is about  $0.004 \mu\text{sec}$ .







Mounting position: any

The tube may be soldered directly into the circuit but heat conducted to the glass should be kept to a minimum by the use of a thermal shunt.

The leads may be dip-soldered to minimum 5 mm from the glass to metal seals at a solder temperature of 240 °C during max. 10 seconds.

Care should be taken not to bend the leads nearer than 1.5 mm from the seals.

### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTIC

Maintaining voltage at $I_a = 20$ mA	$V_{arc}$		10 V
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### LIMITING VALUES (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode voltage,

forward peak	$V_{ap}$	max.	500 V
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inverse peak	$V_{a invp}$	max.	500 V
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Grid No. 2 voltage,

before conduction	$-V_{g2}$	max.	100 V
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Grid No. 1 voltage,

before conduction	$-V_{g1}$	max.	200 V
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Cathode current,

peak	$I_{kp}$	max.	100 mA
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average	$I_k$	max.	22 mA
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Cathode to heater voltage

k pos	$V_{+kf-}$	max.	100 V
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k neg	$V_{-kf+}$	max.	25 V
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Ambient temperature

$t_{amb}$	max.	100 °C
	min.	-55 °C

Altitude

$h$	max.	24 km
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### CIRCUIT DESIGN VALUES

Grid No. 1 circuit resistance	$R_{g1}$	max.	10 MΩ
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**SHOCK AND VIBRATION**

These conditions are used solely to assess the mechanical quality of the tube. The tube should not be continuously operated under these conditions.

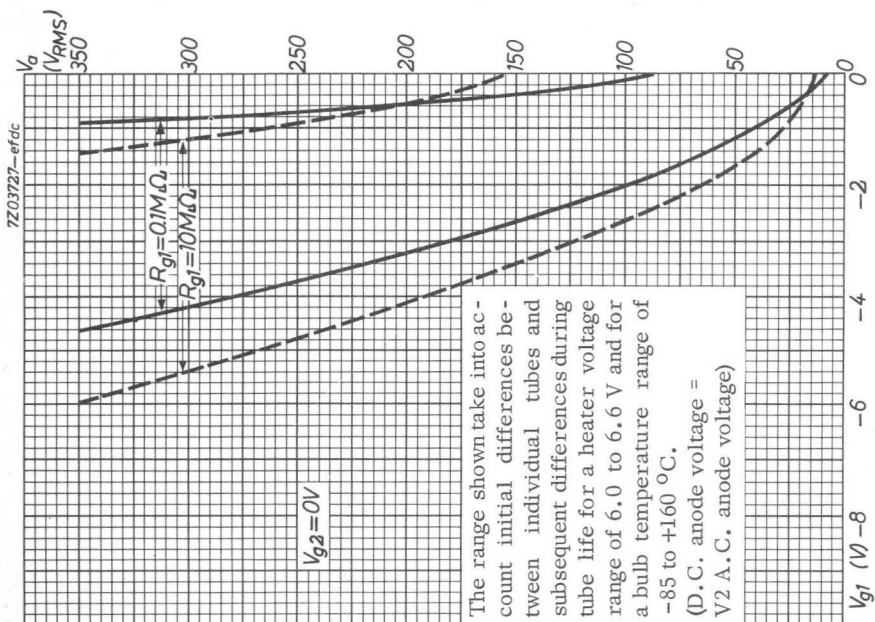
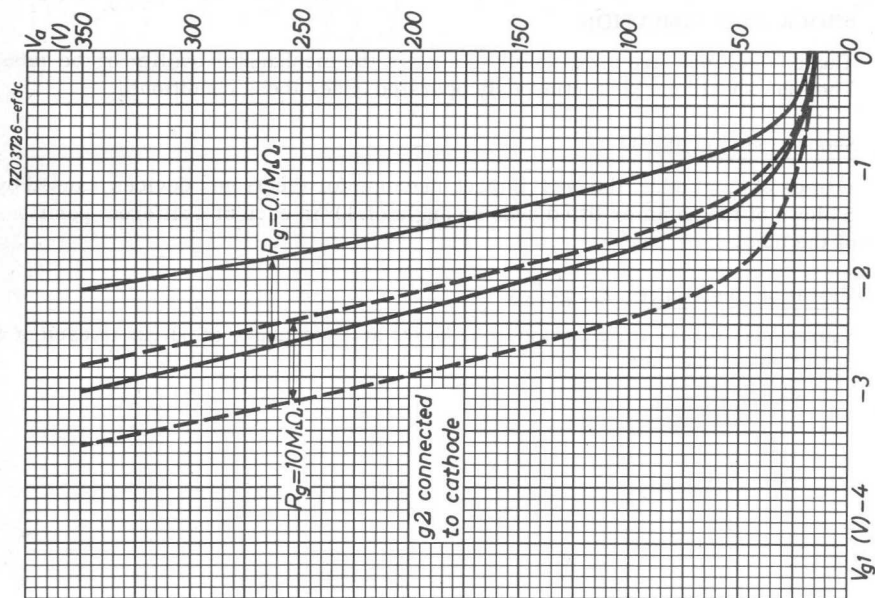
Shock resistance: 500 g

Forces as applied by the NRL impact machine for electronic devices caused by 5 blows of the hammer lifted over an angle of  $30^{\circ}$  in each of 4 different positions of the tube.

Vibration resistance: 2.5  $g_{\text{peak}}$

Vibrational forces for a period of 32 hours at a frequency of 50 Hz in each of 3 directions of the tube.







## TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Recovery time at  $V_a = 500$  V,  $V_{g1} = -50$  V $R_{g1} = 50$  k $\Omega$ ,  $I_{kp} = 100$  mA (20  $\mu$ s pulse) $T_{dion}$  40  $\mu$ sCritical grid No. 1 current at  $V_{a\sim} = 350$  V<sub>r.m.s</sub> $I_{g1}$  0.5  $\mu$ A

Maintaining voltage

 $V_{arc}$  10 V

Control ratio grid No. 1 at striking point

 $R_{g2} = 0$   $\Omega$  $\frac{V_a}{V_{g1}}$  250

Control ratio grid No. 2 at striking point

 $R_{g1} = 0$   $\Omega$  $\frac{V_a}{V_{g2}}$  15

## LIMITING VALUES (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode voltage,

forward peak

 $V_{ap}$  max. 500 V

inverse peak

 $V_{ainvp}$  max. 500 V

Grid No. 2 voltage,

before conduction

 $-V_{g2}$  max. 50 V

during conduction

 $-V_{g2}$  max. 10 V

Grid No. 1 voltage,

before conduction

 $-V_{g1}$  max. 100 V

during conduction

 $-V_{g1}$  max. 10 V

Cathode current,

peak

 $I_{kp}$  max. 100 mAaverage,  $T_{av} = \text{max. } 30$  s $I_k$  max. 25 mAsurge  $T = \text{max. } 0.1$  s $I_{surge}$  max. 2.0 A

Grid No. 2 current for anode voltage

more positive than  $-10$  V $I_{g2}$  max. 5.0 mA

Grid No. 1 current for anode voltage

more positive than  $-10$  V,

peak

 $I_{g1p}$  max. 25 mAaverage ( $T_{av} = 1$  cycle) $I_{g1}$  max. 5.0 mA

**LIMITING VALUES** (continued)

Grid No.1 current for anode voltage  
more negative than -10 V,

peak

$I_{g1p}$  max. 30  $\mu$ A

Cathode to heater voltage,

k pos, peak

$V_{+kf-p}$  max. 25 V

k neg, peak

$V_{-kf+p}$  max. 100 V

Ambient temperature

$t_{amb}$  min. -55  $^{\circ}$ C  
max. +90  $^{\circ}$ C

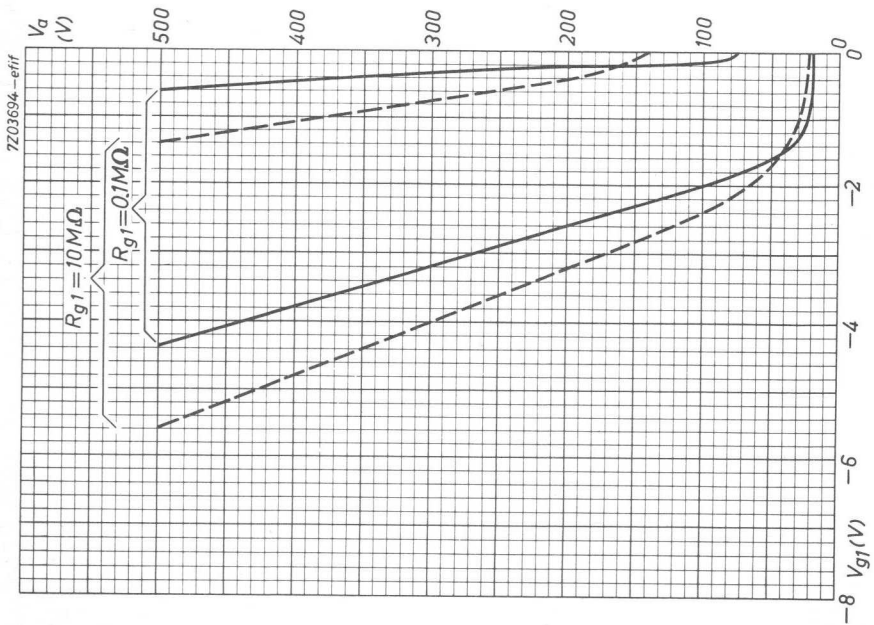
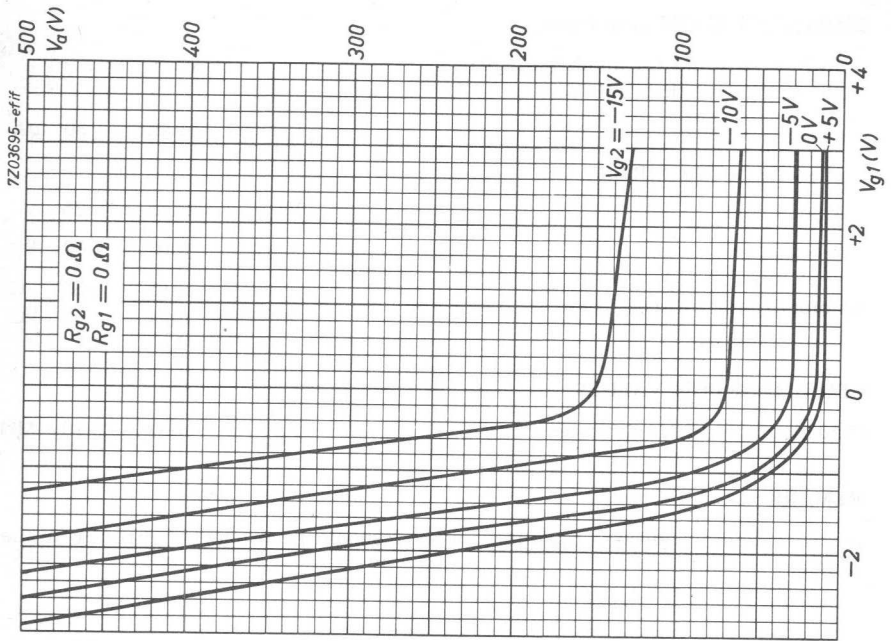
**CIRCUIT DESIGN VALUES**

Grid No.1 circuit resistance

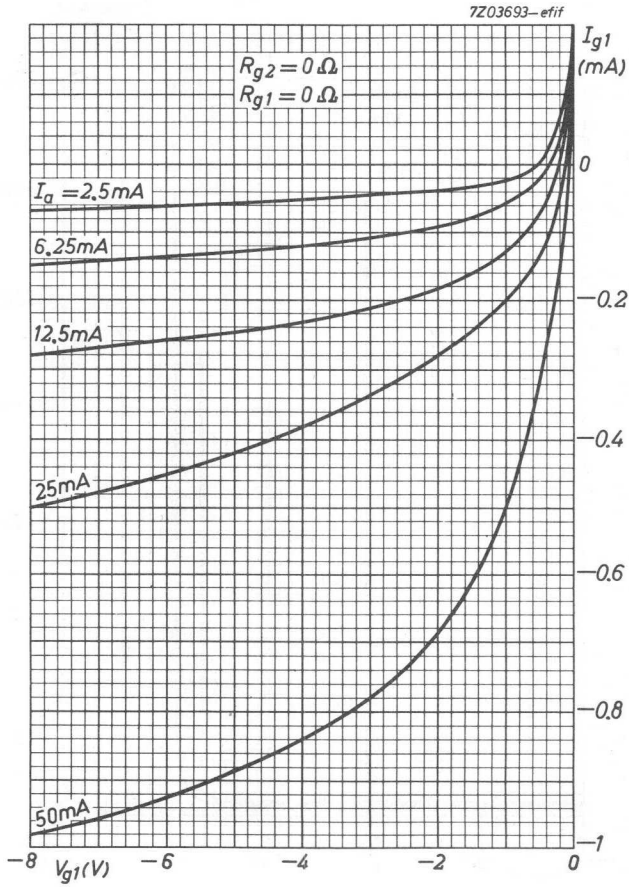
$R_{g1}$  max. 10  $M\Omega$

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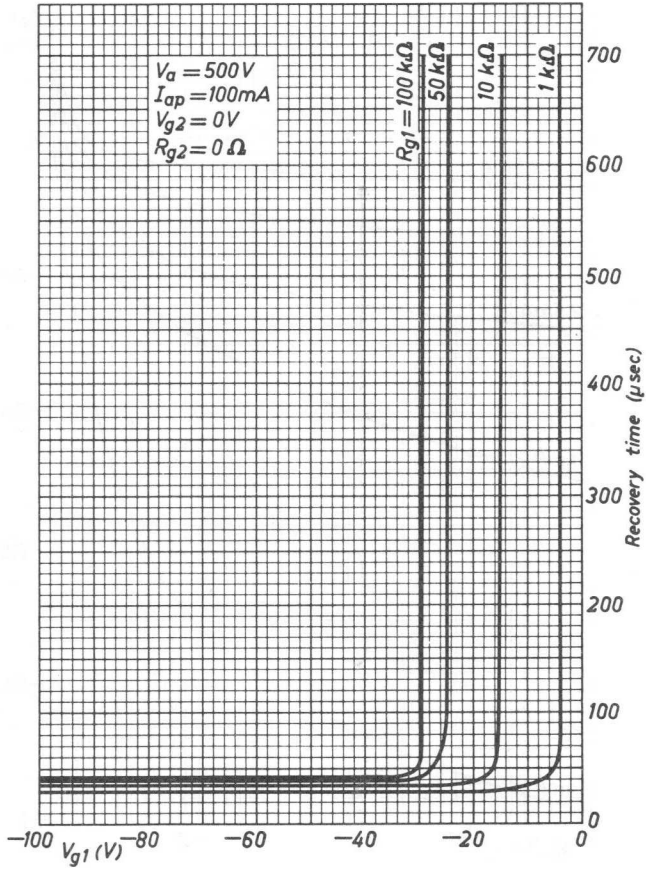
Where circuit conditions permit grid No.2 should be connected directly to the cathode.







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## HYDROGEN THYRATRON

## QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Maximum peak forward voltage	$V_{ap}$	= max. 25 kV
Maximum peak inverse voltage	$V_{a inv_p}$	= max. 25 kV
Maximum peak anode current	$I_{ap}$	= max. 500 A
Maximum average anode current	$I_a$	= max. 0.5 A

The tube has a positive control characteristic

## APPLICATION

Service in pulse modulator circuits of radar systems.

The properties of the tube suggest other applications such as frequency converter (high efficiency induction heating), shock excitation of tuned circuits, in pulse time modulation circuits, use in control circuits.

## HEATING: indirect

Heater voltage	$V_f$	= 6.3 V $\pm 5\%$
Heater current at $V_f = 6.3$ V	$I_f$	= 15 to 22 A
Replenisher voltage	$V_{repl}$	= 3 to 5.5 V
Replenisher current at $V_{repl} = 4.5$ V	$I_{repl}$	= 2 to 5 A
Waiting time (cathode and replenisher)	$T_w$	= min. 15 min

The optimum replenisher voltage is inscribed on the base of the tube and must be held to within  $\pm 5\%$ . Too high a voltage will oppose the deionisation between pulses and the tube would then run into continuous conduction. It reduces, moreover, the maximum peak forward voltage. If the replenisher voltage is too low, the anode dissipation will rise resulting in a visible heating of the anode.

The indicated replenisher voltage value applies to the published typical operation. At conditions widely varying from these conditions it may be necessary to redetermine the optimum voltage value.

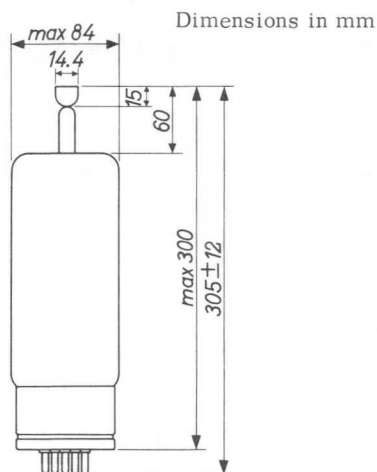
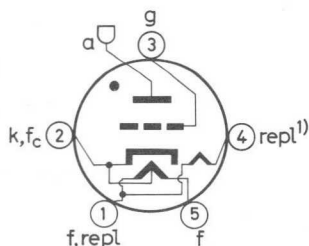
Warning

High-voltage hydrogen thyratrons emit X-rays. The intensity of the X-rays is maximum in a narrow beam emanating in a circle from the grid-anode region. Proper precautions should be taken so that personnel operating with or testing these tubes are shielded adequately for X-rays.

## MECHANICAL DATA

Base : special 5 p

Net weight: 570 g



1) repl = replenisher

Mounting position: any. Vertical position with base down is recommended.

## LIMITING VALUES (Absolute limits)

Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$	=	-55 to +75 °C
<u>Anode</u>			
Anode supply voltage (DC)	$V_{b_a}$	= min.	5 kV
Peak forward anode voltage	$V_{a_p}$	= max.	25 kV <sup>2)</sup>
		= min.	10 kV
Peak inverse anode voltage	$V_{a\ inv_p}$	= max.	25 kV <sup>3)</sup>
		= min.	0.05 $V_{a_p}$
Peak anode current	$I_{a_p}$	= max.	500 A
Average anode current	$I_a$	= max.	0.5 A
Rate of rise of cathode current	$dI_k/dt$	= max.	2500 A/ $\mu$ sec
Operating factor	$V_{a_p} \cdot I_{a_p} \cdot f_{imp}$	= max.	$6.25 \times 10^9$ VAHz <sup>4)</sup>

2) Instantaneous starting is not recommended. However, when it is absolutely necessary the maximum permissible peak forward voltage is 18 kV and should not be reached in less than 0.04 sec

3) In pulsed operation the inverse voltage should not exceed 5 kV during the first 25  $\mu$ sec after the pulse (except for a spike of max. 0.05  $\mu$ sec duration).

4) The stated max. value of the operating factor applies to pulse repetition rates up to 2000 pulses per second. For higher pulse repetition rates it is advisable to consult the tube manufacturer.

## LIMITING VALUES (continued)

Grid

Peak inverse grid voltage	$V_g \text{ inv}_p$	= max. 450 V
<u>Grid drive requirements</u> , measured at the tube socket with the grid disconnected.		
Peak voltage	$V_p$	= max. 1000 V = min. 550 V
Pulse duration	$T_{\text{imp}}$	= min. 2 $\mu\text{sec}$
Rate of rise of voltage	$\frac{\Delta V}{\Delta T_{rV}}$	= min. 1800 V/ $\mu\text{sec}$
Impedance of grid drive circuit	$R_S$	= 50 to 200 $\Omega$

## TYPICAL OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS as pulse modulator; DC resonance charging

In case the operating conditions are much severer than those listed below, it is suggested that the customer requests a recommendation for his specific application.

Peak anode voltage	$V_{a_p}$	= 25 20 kV
Peak anode current	$I_{a_p}$	= 500 200 A
Pulse duration	$T_{\text{imp}}$	= 2 1 $\mu\text{sec}$
Pulse repetition rate	$f_{\text{imp}}$	= 500 1200 Hz

## REMARKS

1. Cooling of the anode lead is permissible but no stream of cooling air should be directly applied to the tube envelope.
2. The tube should be kept away from strong fields which could ionise the gas in the tube.
3. The anode terminal may reach a temperature of about 200 °C. The anode clip should be soldered to its cable by means of an appropriate type of solder.

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## Industrial rectifying tubes



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## GENERAL OPERATIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS INDUSTRIAL RECTIFYING TUBES

The following instructions and recommendations apply in general to all types of industrial rectifiers. If there are deviations for any type of tube they will be indicated on the published data sheets of the type in question.

### MOUNTING

Normally the tubes must be mounted vertically with the base or filament strips at the lower end. They must be mounted so that air can circulate freely around them. Where additional cooling is necessary forced air should assist the natural convection. (This is of great importance in the case of mercury-vapour filled tubes, in order to condense the mercury in the lower part of the tube.) The clearance between the tubes and other components of the circuit and between the tubes and cabinet walls should be at least half the maximum tube diameter.

When 2 or more tubes are used the minimum clearance between them should be  $\frac{3}{4}$  the maximum tube diameter. When the tube is mounted in a closed cabinet the heat dissipated by the tube and other components should be taken into account. While the tube is working it must not touch any other part of the installation or be exposed to falling drops of liquid. The tubes should be mounted in such a way that they are not subjected to dangerous shock or vibration.

In general, if shock or vibration exceeds 0.5 g a shock absorbing device should be used. The electrode connections, except for those of the tube holder, must be flexible. The nuts (e.g. of the anode connections) should be well tightened but care must be taken to ensure that no undue forces are exerted on the tube. The contacts must be checked at regular intervals and their surfaces kept clean in order to avoid excessive heating of the glass-metal seals. The cross section of the conductors and leads should be sufficient to carry the r.m.s. value of the current. (It should be noted that in rectifier circuits the r.m.s. value of the anode current may reach 2.5 x the average D.C. value.)

### FILAMENT SUPPLY

In order to obtain the maximum life of a directly heated tube, a filament transformer with centre-tap and a phase shift of  $90^\circ \pm 30^\circ$  between  $V_a$  and  $V_f$  is recommended.

The filament voltage at nominal mains voltage must be measured at the terminals of the tube. Deviations with a maximum of 2.5% from the published value can be accepted. It is therefore recommended to have tappings on the filament

transformer. The mains fluctuations should, in general, not exceed 5%. During short intervals fluctuations of 10% are admissible.

In calculating the ratings of the filament transformer a variation in the filament current of plus and minus 10% from tube to tube should be taken into account, whilst for directly heated tubes the D.C. current flowing through the filament winding should also be considered.

#### TEMPERATURE

##### 1. For tubes filled with a mixture of mercury vapour and inert gas.

For these tubes temperature limits for the condensed mercury are given in the published data. Care should be taken to ensure that the temperature during operation is between these limits. The condensed mercury temperature can be measured with a thermo-element placed against the envelope. The measurement should be made at the coldest part of the bulb where the mercury condenses; in general this will be just above the base or the lower connections. Good technique and instruments are necessary for accurate thermocouple measurements.

In addition to the temperature limits for the condensed mercury sometimes limits for the ambient temperature are given.

The latter are only intended as a guide, as the difference between the ambient and the condensed mercury temperature largely depends on mounting and cooling.

##### The condensed mercury temperature is decisive in all cases

The ambient temperature can be measured with a thermometer which has been screened against direct heat radiation.

The measurement should be carried out at various points around the lower part of the tube.

##### 2. Tubes with inert gas-filling

For these tubes only the limits of the ambient temperature are given. These limits are in general minimum  $-55^{\circ}\text{C}$  and maximum  $+75^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

#### SWITCHING ON

It is necessary to allow some time for the cathode to reach its operating temperature before drawing cathode current. Therefore the minimum cathode heating time is given on the published data sheets. In general two values are published; the minimum may be used if a short time is absolutely necessary but it is advisable to use the longer value.

After the heating of the cathode the anode voltage may be applied provided that the ambient temperature is not too low.

For tubes filled with a mixture of mercury-vapour and inert gas the minimum value of ambient temperature is 0 °C; for tubes with only an inert-gas filling it is the minimum value of the ambient temperature published.

Switching on after transport or after a considerable time of interruption of operation should be done according to the instructions for use which are packed with the tube.

#### LIMITING VALUES

In general these values are given as absolute maxima; i.e. maxima which should not be exceeded under any conditions (thus they may not be exceeded owing to mains voltage fluctuations, load variations, tolerances on components, overvoltages, etc.)

For each rating of maximum average current a maximum averaging time is quoted. This is to ensure that an anode current greater than the maximum continuously permissible average value is not drawn for such a length of time as would give rise to an excessive temperature within the tube. The maximum peak anode current is determined by the available safe cathode emission, whereas the average current is limited by its heating effects.

An exception has been made for the maximum average current of tubes used in battery chargers. The rated value then holds for the nominal battery voltage. In the uncharged condition this rated value may then be exceeded by approximately 25%. However, it must have decreased to the published maximum value within 30 minutes.

Under no circumstances may the peak current exceed its maximum published value. For the determination of the actual value of the peak inverse voltage and the peak anode current, the values measured with an oscilloscope or by other means are decisive.

#### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

##### 1. Arc voltage

The value published for  $V_{ARC}$  applies to average operating conditions; under high peak current conditions, e.g. 6 phase rectification,  $V_{ARC}$  will be higher.

The spread which is dependent on the circuit can be expected to be plus and minus 1 V.

During life an increase of approximately 2 V must be taken into account.

##### 2. Ignition voltage

The published value of  $V_{IGN}$  is an average value which can be used as a basis for calculation of the transformer voltage required.

From the given value the minimum transformer voltage can be calculated. However, owing to mutual variations between the tubes, fluctuations of the mains voltage, temperature variations and variation during life the required transformer voltage must be higher than the minimum calculated value.

In the case of battery charging an increase of 15% to 20% will, in general, be sufficient.

### 3. Frequency

Unless otherwise stated the maximum frequency at which the tubes may run under full load is 150 Hz.

Under special conditions higher frequencies may be used; details should be obtained from the manufacturer.

## OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS

The data under this heading are based on normal practical conditions.

### SHORT CIRCUIT PROTECTION

In order to prevent the tube from being damaged by passing too high a peak current a minimum value for the protective resistance  $R_t$  or a maximum value for the surge current is given.

The figure given for the maximum surge current is intended as a guide to equipment designers. It indicates the maximum value of a transient current resulting from a sudden overload or short circuit which the rectifier can pass for a period not exceeding 0.1 second without resulting in its immediate destruction. Several overloads of this nature will, however, considerably reduce the life of the tube.

The equipment designer has to take into account this maximum surge current rating when calculating the short-circuit impedance of the equipment.

This surge current value is not intended as a peak current that may occur on switching or during operation

A simple method to limit the surge current to maximum rating is to incorporate a series resistance in the anode circuit.

If a value for  $R_t$  is specified on the published data sheets the maximum surge current rating will not be exceeded in the event of a short circuit, sudden overload, etc. when the total resistance of the secondary (anode) circuit of a normal transformer has at least this value.

## SCREENING AND INTERFERENCE

In order to prevent unwanted ionisation of the gas filling (and consequent flash over) due to strong R.F. fields, it may be necessary to enclose the rectifier in a separate earthed screening box.

In circuits with gas-filled tubes oscillation in the transformer windings may occur.

These oscillations should be reduced by suitable circuits as excessive peak inverse voltages may occur, causing arc back.

## SMOOTHING CIRCUITS

In order to limit the peak anode current in a rectifier it is necessary that a choke precedes the first smoothing capacitor.

In some rectifier circuits the initial surge of current can be limited by use of a starting resistor in series with the primary of the transformer. Moreover, when such a starting resistor is used it may be possible to reduce the inductance value of the choke.

To ensure good voltage regulation on fluctuating loads the inductance value of the choke should be large enough to give uninterrupted current at minimum load.

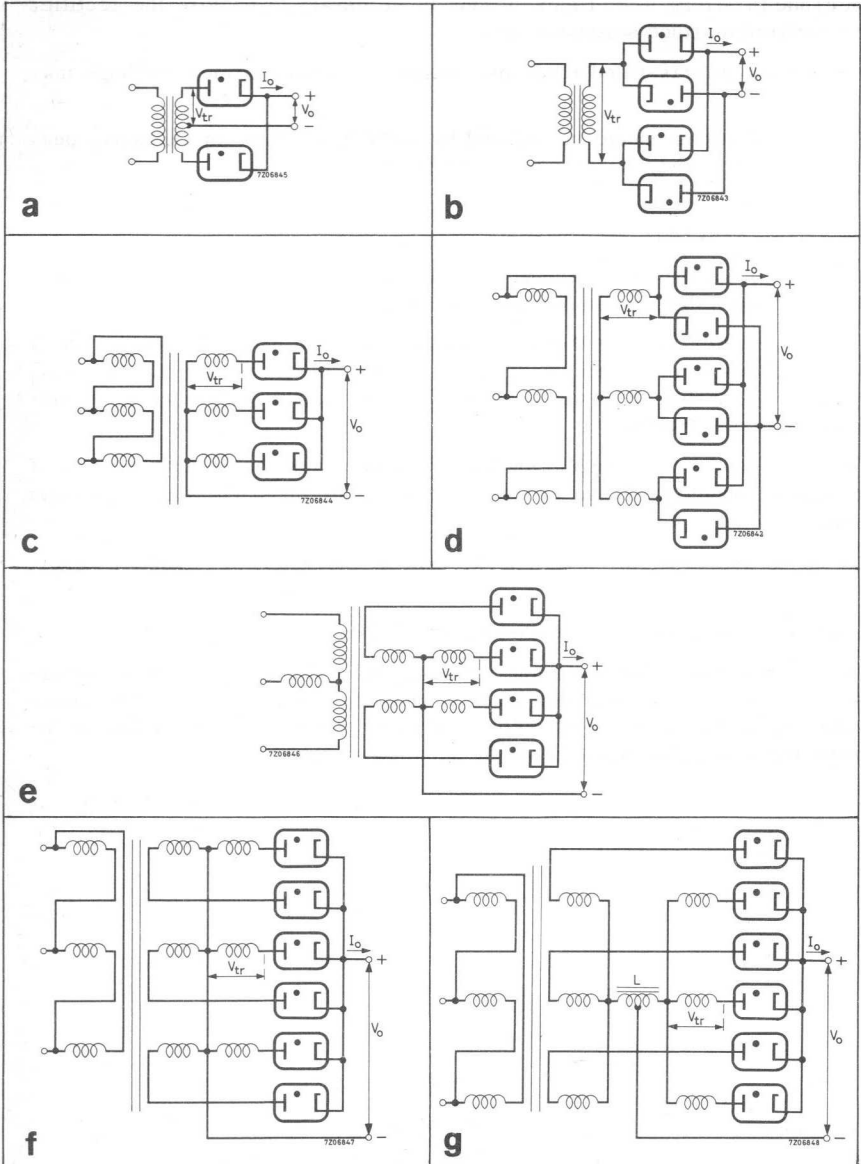
The choke and capacitor must not resonate at the supply or ripple frequency.

## PARALLEL OPERATION OF GAS-FILLED TUBES

As individual gas-filled rectifying tubes may have slightly different characteristics two or more tubes should not be connected directly in parallel. An alternative expedient should be adopted if a higher current output is required. Information on suitable methods will be supplied on request.



# RECTIFYING TUBE CIRCUITS



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## RATING SYSTEM

( in accordance with I.E.C. publication 134 )

### **Absolute maximum rating system**

Absolute maximum ratings are limiting values of operating and environmental conditions applicable to any electronic device of a specified type as defined by its published data, which should not be exceeded under the worst probable conditions.

These values are chosen by the device manufacturer to provide acceptable serviceability of the device, taking no responsibility for equipment variations, environmental variations, and the effects of changes in operating conditions due to variations in the characteristics of the device under consideration and of all other electronic devices in the equipment.

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



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## DOUBLE ANODE RECTIFYING TUBE

Gasfilled double anode rectifying tube intended for use in battery chargers 1.3 A each tube, max. 6 Pb-cells.

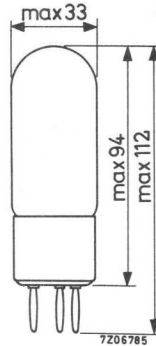
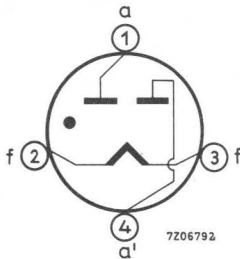
**HEATING:** direct by A.C., oxide coated filament.

Filament voltage	$V_f$	1.9 V
Filament current	$I_f$	3.0 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	15 s <sup>1)</sup>

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm

Base: A



Socket: 2422 512 02001

Mounting position: vertical, base down

Net weight: 35 g

### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	7 V
Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	16 V

<sup>1)</sup> Recommended value. If urgently wanted this value may be decreased to 0 s.

**OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS**

Circuit: a (See Application directions)

Transformer voltage	$V_{tr}$	28			$V_{RMS}$
		discharged	nominal	charged	
Battery voltage	$V_{bat}$	11	13	16	V
D.C. current	$I_o$	1.5	1.3	1.0	A
Anode current, peak	$I_{ap}$		3		A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$		6.5		$\Omega$

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode voltage, inverse peak	$V_{ainvp}$	max.	90	V
Anode current, average	$I_a$	max.	0.65	A
peak	$I_{ap}$	max.	4	A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$	min.	3	$\Omega$
Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$	min.	-55	$^{\circ}C$
		max.	+75	$^{\circ}C$

## SINGLE ANODE RECTIFYING TUBE

Gas-filled single anode rectifying tube intended for use in battery chargers.  
2 A each tube, max. 4 Pb cells.

**HEATING:** direct; oxide coated filament

Filament voltage	$V_f$	1.9 V
Filament current	$I_f$	5.5 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	30 s <sup>1)</sup>

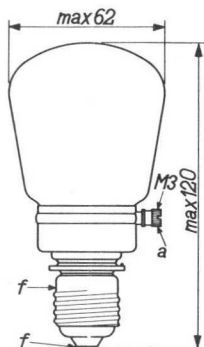
### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm

Base: Edison 23

Net weight 750 g

Mounting position: vertical,  
base down



### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	8 V
Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	16 V

<sup>1)</sup> If urgently wanted this value may be decreased to 0 s.

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Transformer voltage	$V_{tr}$	max. 20	130	$V_{RMS}$
		min. 15	15	$V_{RMS}$
Anode voltage, peak inverse	$V_{ainvp}$	max. 65	400	V
Anode current, peak	$I_{ap}$	max. 10	1.25	A
average	$I_a$	max. 2	0.25	A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$	min. 4	50	$\Omega$
Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$	min. -55		$^{\circ}C$
		max. +75		$^{\circ}C$

## DOUBLE ANODE RECTIFYING TUBE

Gasfilled double anode rectifying tube intended for use in battery chargers 6 A each tube, max. 12 Pb-cells.

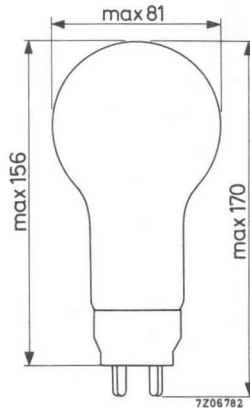
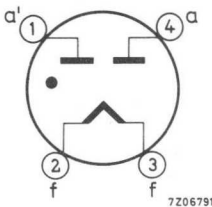
**HEATING:** direct by A.C., oxide coated filament

Filament voltage	$V_f$	1.9 V
Filament current	$I_f$	8 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	30 s <sup>1)</sup>

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm

Base: W



Mounting position: vertical, base down

Net weight: 90 g

### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	9 V
Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	16 V

<sup>1)</sup> Recommended value. If urgently wanted this value may be decreased to 0 s.

## OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS

Circuit: a (See Application directions)

Transformer voltage	$V_{tr}$	45			$V_{RMS}$
		discharged	nominal	charged	
Battery voltage	$V_{bat}$	22	26	32	V
D.C. current	$I_o$	7.2	6	4	A
Anode current, peak	$I_{ap}$		15		A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$		1.9		$\Omega$

## LIMITING VALUES (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode voltage, inverse peak	$V_{ainvp}$	max.	140	V
Anode current, average	$I_a$	max.	3	A
peak	$I_{ap}$	max.	18	A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$	min.	1	$\Omega$
Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$	min.	-55	$^{\circ}C$
		max.	+75	$^{\circ}C$

## DOUBLE ANODE RECTIFYING TUBE

Mercury vapour and gasfilled double anode rectifying tube intended for use in battery chargers 1.3 A each tube, max. 3 Pb-cells.

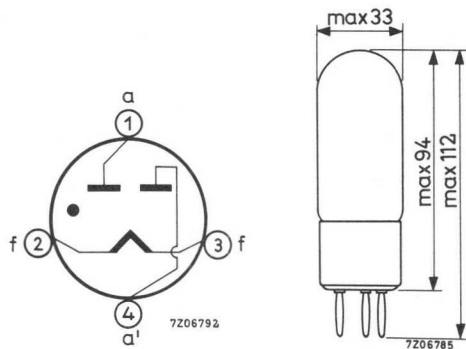
**HEATING:** direct by A. C. , oxide coated filament

Filament voltage	$V_f$	1.9 V
Filament current	$I_f$	2.8 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	15 s <sup>1)</sup>

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm

Base: A



Socket: 2422 512 02001

Mounting position: vertical, base down

Net weight: 40 g

### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	7 V
Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	11 V

<sup>1)</sup> Recommended value. If urgently wanted this value may be decreased to 0 s

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Transformer voltage	$V_{TR}$	max. 16 $V_{RMS}$ min. 10 $V_{RMS}$
Anode voltage, inverse peak	$V_{ainvp}$	max. 50 V
Anode current, average	$I_a$	max. 0.65 A
peak	$I_{ap}$	max. 4 A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$	min. 3 $\Omega$
Mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$	min. 30 $^{\circ}C$ max. 75 $^{\circ}C$



## DOUBLE ANODE RECTIFYING TUBE

Gasfilled double anode rectifying tube intended for use in battery chargers 1.3 A each tube, max. 20 Pb-cells.

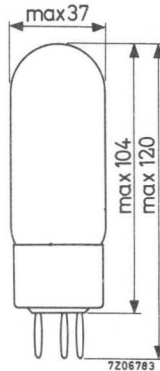
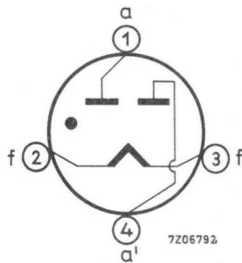
**HEATING:** direct by A. C., oxide coated filament

Filament voltage	$V_f$	1.9 V
Filament current	$I_f$	3.5 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	15 s <sup>1)</sup>

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm

Base: A



Socket: 2422 512 02001

Net weight: 50 g

### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	9 V
Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	16 V

<sup>1)</sup> Recommended value. If urgently wanted this value may be decreased to 0 s

**OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS**

Circuit: a (See Application directions)

Transformer voltage	$V_{tr}$	60			$V_{RMS}$
		discharged	nominal	charged	
Battery voltage	$V_{bat}$	36	44	54	V
D.C. current	$I_o$	1.7	1.2	0.7	A
Anode current, peak	$I_{ap}$		3.2		A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$		10		$\Omega$

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode voltage, inverse peak	$V_{ainvp}$	max.	185	V
Anode current, average	$I_a$	max.	0.65	A
peak	$I_{ap}$	max.	4	A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$	min.	10	$\Omega$
Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$	min.	-55	$^{\circ}C$
		max.	+75	$^{\circ}C$

## INDICATOR TUBE

Long life cold cathode ten digit numeral indicator tube for top viewing.  
The rectangular envelope allows for close tube-to-tube spacing, both in the horizontal and vertical axes.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Numeral height	15.5	mm
Numerals	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0	
Supply voltage	$V_{ba}$	min. 170 V
Cathode current	$I_k$	2.5 mA
Distance between mounting centres	min.	20 mm
Viewing angle	90	°

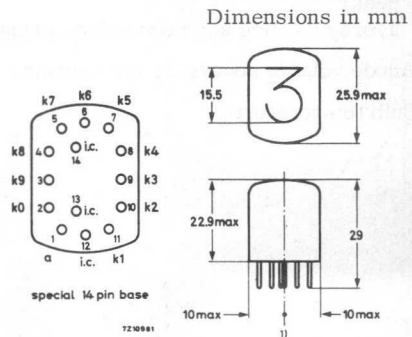
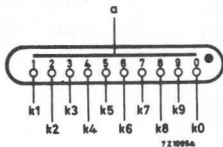
### GENERAL

The numerals are 15.5 mm high and appear on the same base line allowing in-line read out.

### PRINCIPLE OF OPERATING

The tube contains ten cathodes in the form of ten figures and one common anode. By applying a suitable voltage between the anode and one of the ten cathodes the corresponding figure will be covered by a red neon glow.

### DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS



1) Centre line through pins 6 and 12 (Note: distance between centre lines of adjacent tubes must be at least 20 mm)

Mounting position: any

The numerals are viewed through the top of the envelope. The numerals will appear upright (within  $\pm 3^0$ ) when the tube is mounted with the line through pins 6 and 12 vertical, pin 6 uppermost.

Accessory

Socket	type	55705
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**CHARACTERISTICS AND OPERATING CONDITIONS**(at 20 °C to 50 °C)

Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	min. 170 V
Ignition delay		see page 3
Maintaining voltage		see page 4
Cathode current, recommended	$I_k$	2.5 mA
Cathode current for coverage average during any conduction period	$I_k$	min. 1.5 mA
D.C. operation		see pages 5 to 9
Extinguishing voltage	$V_{ext}$	118 V

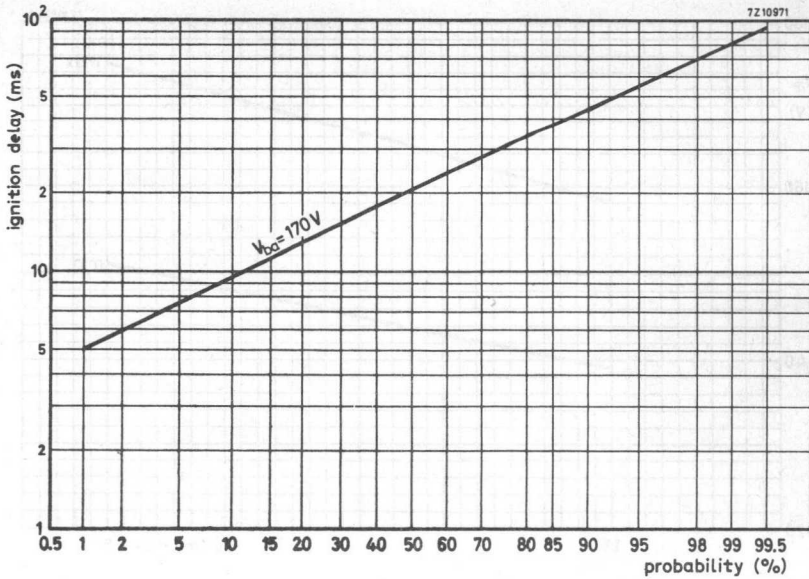
**LIFE EXPECTANCY** at  $I_k = 2.5$  mA and room temperature 1)

Continuous display of one numeral	>	5000 h
Sequentially changing the display from one numeral to another, every 100 hrs or less	>	30000 h

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

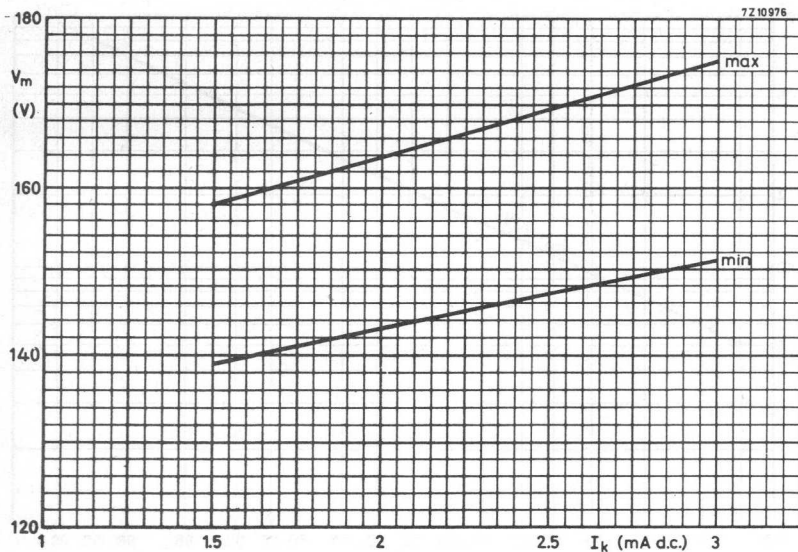
Cathode current (each digit), average, $T_{av} = \text{max. } 20$ ms	$I_k$	max. 3.0 mA
peak	$I_{kp}$	max. 3.5 mA
average during any conduction period	$I_k$	min. 1.5 mA
Anode voltage necessary for ignition	$V_a$	min. 170 V
Bulb temperature	$t_{bulb}$	max. +70 °C
	$t_{bulb}$	min. -10 °C 1)

1) For bulb temperatures below +10 °C the life expectancy of the tube is substantially reduced.



CUMULATIVE DISTRIBUTION OF IGNITION DELAY

This curve shows the probability that a tube will ignite in less than the time shown after a non-conduction period of a few seconds. The ignition delay will be appreciably reduced when the interval between conduction periods is less than 100 milliseconds. In general, an increase in the supply voltage will reduce the ignition delay.

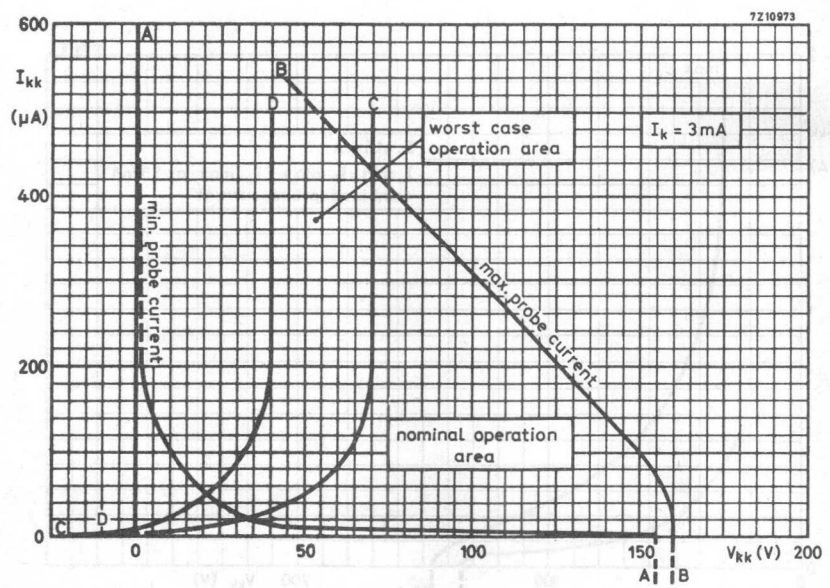
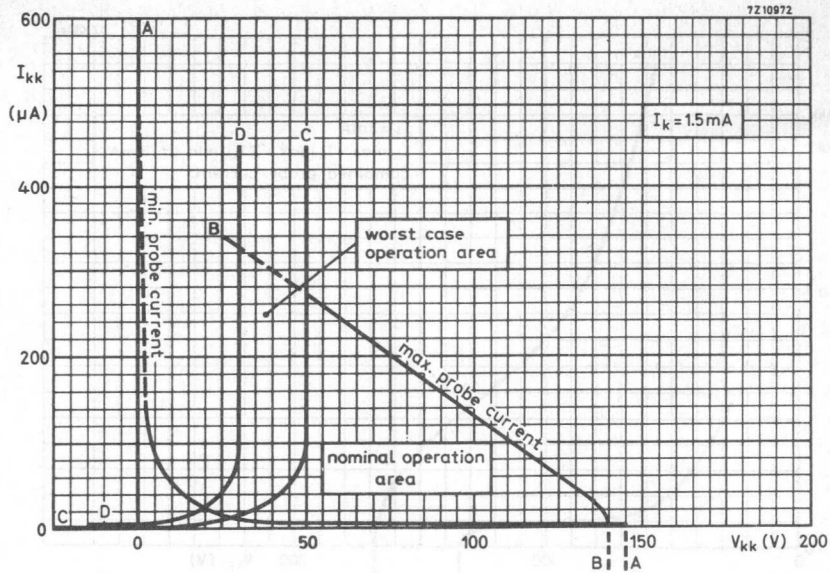


ANODE-TO-CATHODE MAINTAINING VOLTAGE  
AS A FUNCTION OF CATHODE CURRENT

NOTE

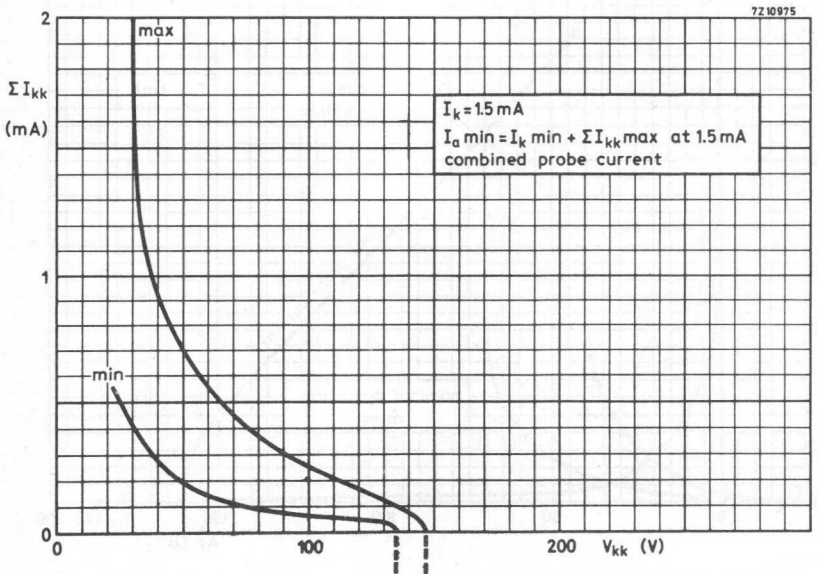
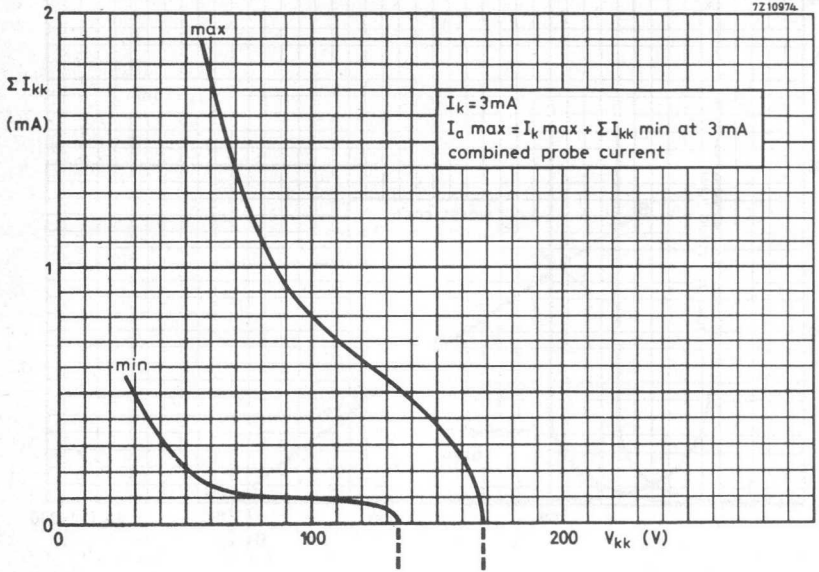
PROBE CURRENT CURVES

For low cathode selecting voltages ( $V_{kk}$ ) the current  $I_{kk}$  to the non-conducting cathode will increase, and the readability of the conducting cathode will be affected. It is therefore recommended to use a nominal operating point to the right of line C-C. Under the worst operating conditions the operating point should never reach the area left of the line D-D.



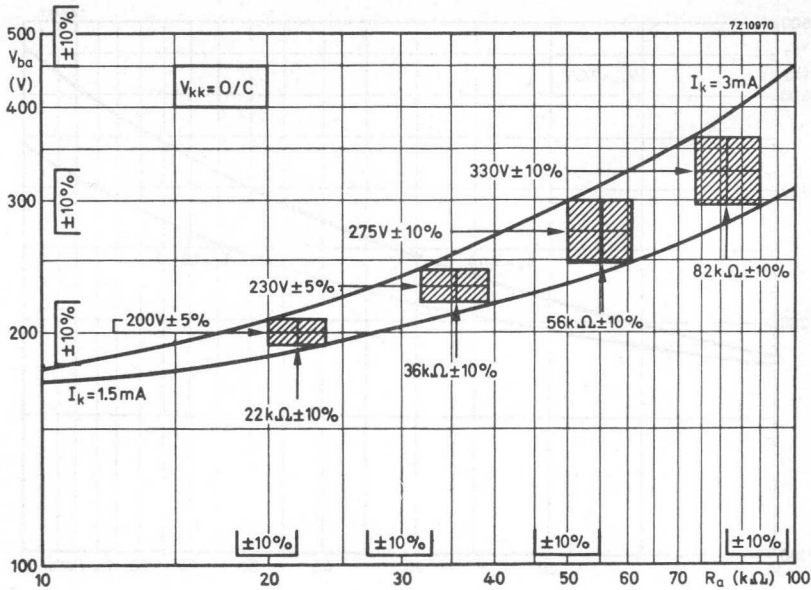
PROBE CURRENTS TO INDIVIDUAL NON-CONDUCTING CATHODES

See note page 4



COMBINED PROBE CURRENT TO ALL NON-CONDUCTING CATHODES





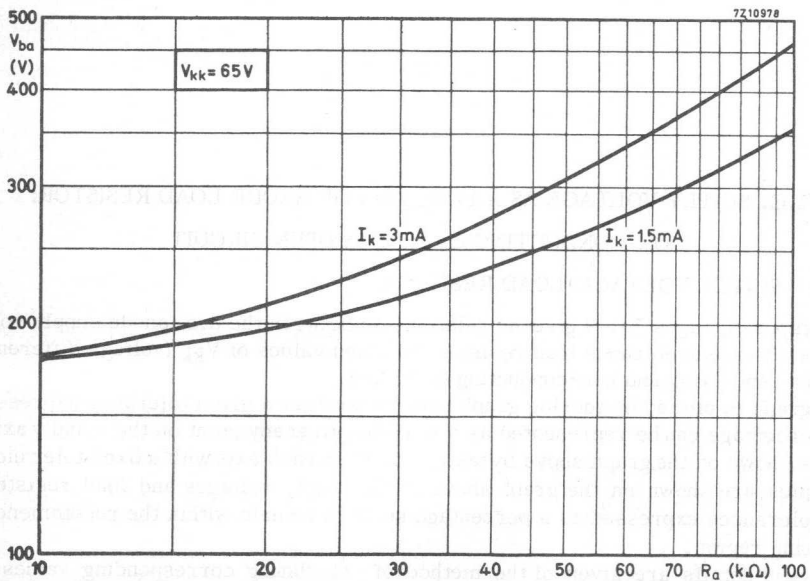
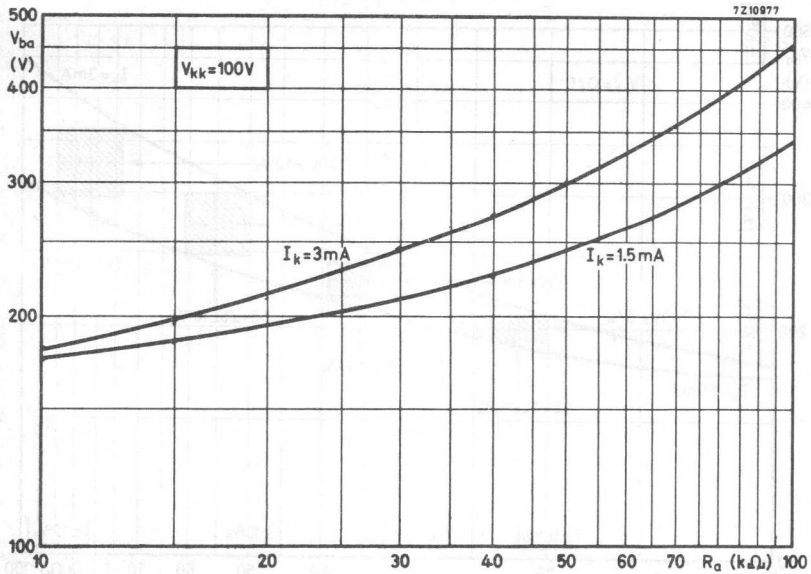
D.C. SUPPLY VOLTAGE AS A FUNCTION OF ANODE LOAD RESISTOR:  
NON-CONDUCTING CATHODES OPEN CIRCUIT

NOTE - SUPPLY VOLTAGE/LOAD RESISTOR

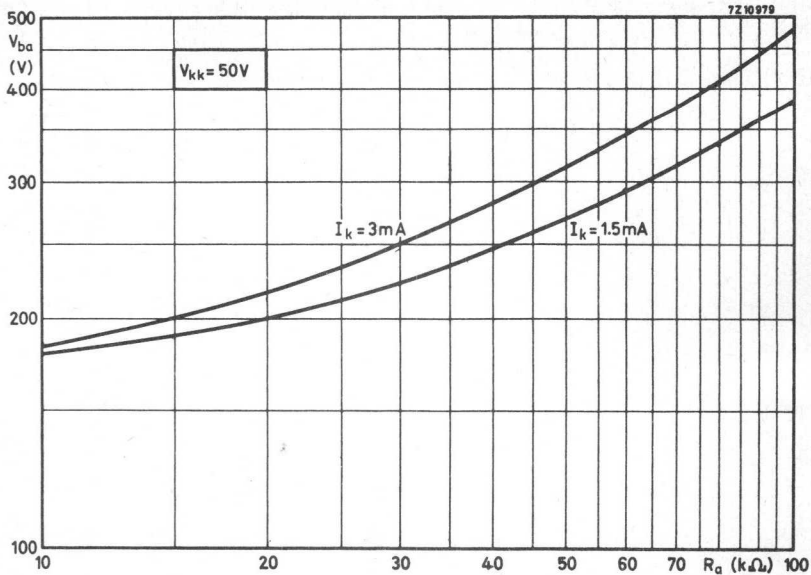
The graphs on pages 7 to 9 give the relationship between the d.c. anode supply voltage and the required anode load resistor for fixed values of  $V_{kk}$  (voltage difference between conducting and non-conducting cathodes).

Each graph is plotted on log-log graph paper; therefore a given tolerance expressed as a percentage can be represented as a fixed length at any point on the x and y axis. This is shown on the graph above by taking points on each axis with a fixed tolerance. Examples are shown on the graph above of the supply voltages and load resistors with tolerances expressed as a percentage so as to remain within the recommended operating region.

On page 9 details are given of the method of calculating corresponding values of supply voltage and anode load resistor, for fixed values of  $V_{kk}$ .



D. C. SUPPLY VOLTAGE AS A FUNCTION OF ANODE LOAD RESISTOR



D.C. SUPPLY VOLTAGE AS A FUNCTION OF ANODE LOAD RESISTOR

NOTE - The supply voltage/load resistor curves are derived from:

$$V_{ba} = I_a \cdot R_a + V_m \text{ (General formula)}$$

$$V_{ba} = [I_k + \sum I_{kk}] R_a + V_m$$

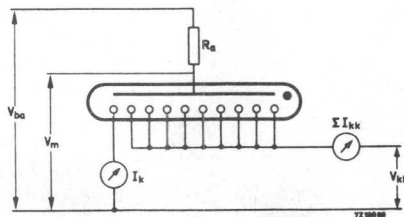
The value of  $I_{kk}$  will depend on the bias voltage  $V_{kk}$ .

Supply voltage required to work above the minimum value of  $I_k$ :

$$V_{ba} = [1.5 \text{ mA} + \sum I_{kk} \text{ max. at } I_k = 1.5 \text{ mA}] R_a + 158 \text{ V}$$

Supply voltage required to work below the maximum value of  $I_k$ :

$$V_{ba} = [3.0 \text{ mA} + \sum I_{kk} \text{ min. at } I_k = 3.0 \text{ mA}] R_a + 151 \text{ V}$$





Several paragraphs of extremely faint text are located below the graph. The text is illegible due to fading and low contrast.

Year	Value
1910	...
1911	...
1912	...
1913	...
1914	...
1915	...
1916	...
1917	...
1918	...
1919	...
1920	...

## INDICATOR TUBE

Long life cold cathode ten digit numeral indicator tube for side viewing.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Numeral height		15.5 mm
Numerals	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0	
Supply voltage	$V_{ba}$	min. 170 V
Cathode current	$I_k$	2.5 mA
Distance between mounting centres		min. 19 mm

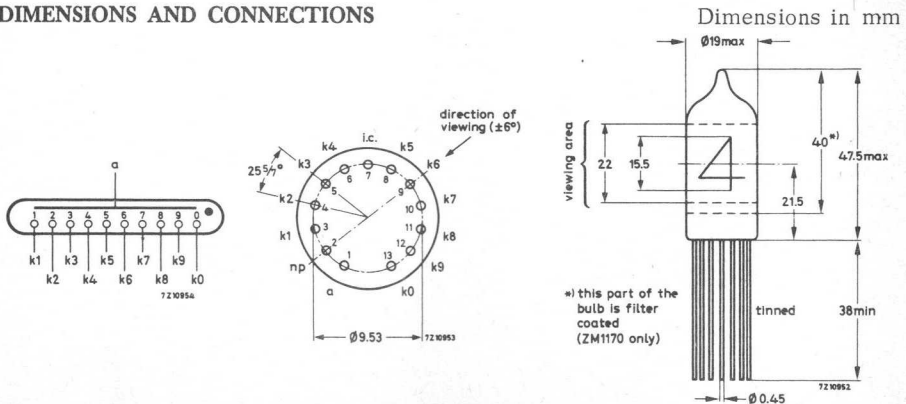
### GENERAL

The numerals are 15.5 mm high and appear on the same base line allowing in-line read out. The ZM1170 is provided with a red contrast filter. The ZM1172 is identical to the ZM1170, but has no filter.

### PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION

The tube contains ten cathodes in the form of ten figures and one common anode. By applying a suitable voltage between the anode and one of the ten cathodes the corresponding figure will be covered by a red neon glow.

### DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS



Mounting position: any

The numerals will appear upright (within  $\pm 3^\circ$ ) when the tube is mounted vertically, base down.

Soldering

The tube may be soldered directly into the circuit, but heat conduction to the glass-to-metal seals should be kept to a minimum by the use of a thermal shunt.

The leads may be dip-soldered to a minimum of 5 mm from the seals at a solder temperature of 240°C for a maximum of 10 s.

Note

Care should be taken not to bend the leads nearer than 1.5 mm from the seals.

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For electrical data please refer to type ZM1230  
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## INDICATOR TUBE

Long life cold cathode ten digit numeral indicator tube for side viewing.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Numeral height		15.5 mm
Numerals	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	
Decimal point	see "General"	
Supply voltage	min.	170 V
Numeral cathode current		2.5 mA
Decimal point cathode current		0.5 mA
Distance between mounting centres	min.	19 mm

### GENERAL

The numerals are 15.5 mm high and appear on the same base line allowing in-line read out. The four types are electrically identical but differ in the position of the decimal point and the inclusion of a red contrast filter.

ZM1174 Decimal point on the left hand side. Red contrast filter.

ZM1175 Decimal point on the left hand side. No filter.

ZM1176 Decimal point on the right hand side. Red contrast filter.

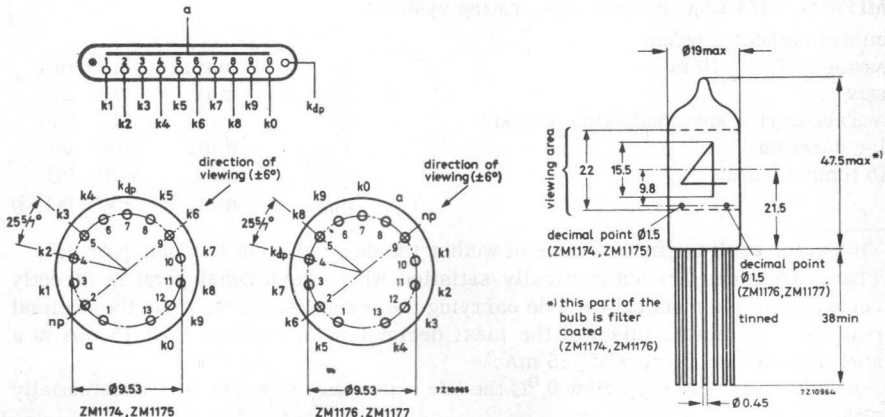
ZM1177 Decimal point on the right hand side. No filter.

### PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION

The tube contains ten cathodes in the form of ten figures and one in the form of a decimal point, and a common anode. By applying a suitable voltage between the anode and one of the cathodes the corresponding figure or decimal point will be covered by a red neon glow.

### DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm



Data based on pre-production tubes.

Mounting position: any

The numerals and the decimal point are viewed through the side of the envelope. The numerals will appear upright (within  $\pm 3^\circ$ ) when the tube is mounted vertically, base down.

Soldering

The tube may be soldered directly into the circuit, but heat conduction to the glass-to-metal seals should be kept to a minimum by the use of a thermal shunt. The leads may be dip-soldered to a minimum of 5 mm from the seals at a solder temperature of 240 °C for a maximum of 10 s.

Note

Care should be taken not to bend the leads nearer than 1.5 mm from the seals.

**CHARACTERISTICS AND OPERATING CONDITIONS** (at 20 °C to 50 °C)

Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	max.	170 V
Mainting voltage	$V_m$		see page 3
Numeral cathode current,			
recommended average	$I_k$		2.5 mA
average ( $T_{av} = 10$ ms)	$I_k$	max.	3.5 mA
average, averaged over any conduction period	$I_k$	min.	1.5 mA 1)
peak	$I_{kp}$	max.	12 mA
Decimal point cathode current			
recommended average	$I_{kdp}$		0.5 mA
average, averaged over any conduction period	$I_{kdp}$	min.	0.05 mA 2)
peak	$I_{kdpp}$	max.	2.5 mA
Extinguishing voltage	$V_{ext}$		115 V

**LIFE EXPECTANCY** at  $I_k = 2.5$  mA and room temperature. 3)

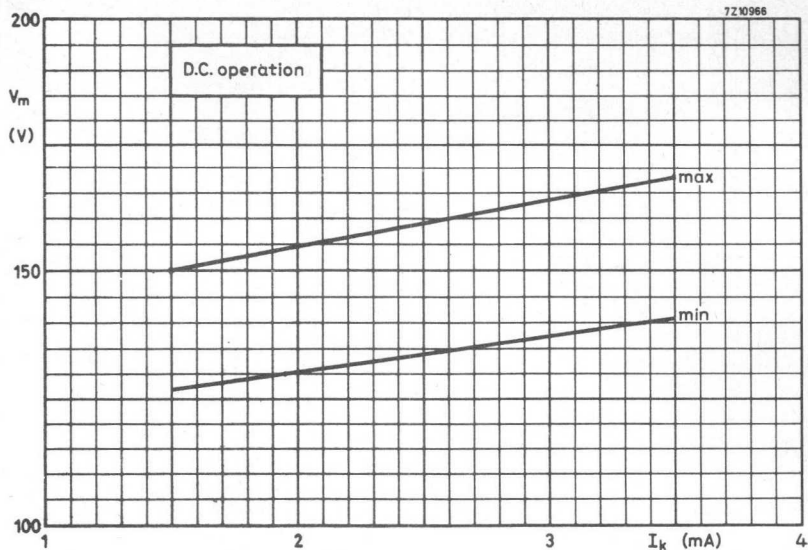
Continuous display of one numeral	>	5000 h
Sequentially changing the display from one numeral to another, every 100 h or less	>	30 000 h

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

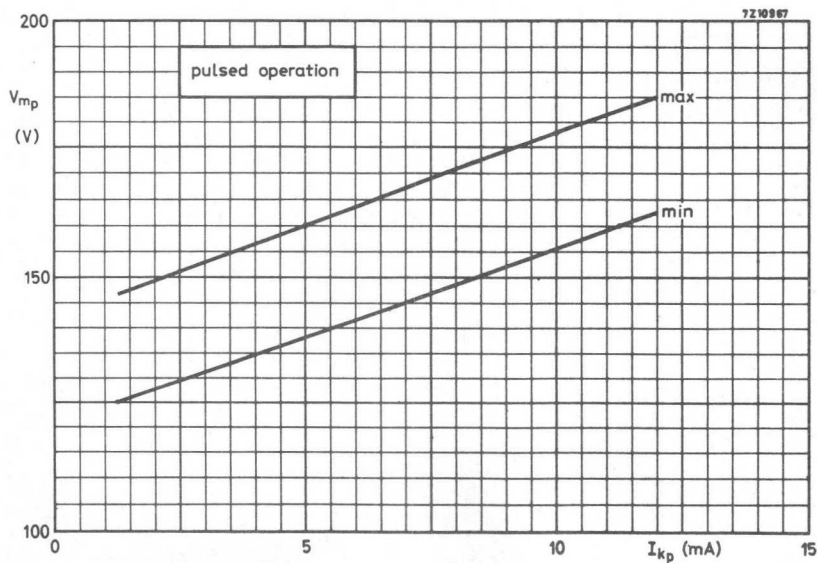
Numeral cathode current			
average, $T_{av} = 10$ ms	$I_k$	max.	3.5 mA
peak	$I_{kp}$	max.	12 mA
average during any conduction period	$I_k$	min.	1.5 mA
Pulse duration	$T_{imp}$	min.	100 $\mu$ s
Bulb temperature	$t_{bulb}$	max.	+70 °C
	$t_{bulb}$	min.	-50 °C 3)

- 1) This value applies, irrespective of whether the decimal point is running or not.
- 2) These conditions are automatically satisfied when the decimal point is directly connected to the numeral cathode carrying the main discharge. When the decimal point is connected in this way the max. decimal point current is 0.15 mA at a numeral cathode current of 1.5 mA.
- 3) For bulb temperatures below 0 °C the life expectancy of the tube is substantially reduced.

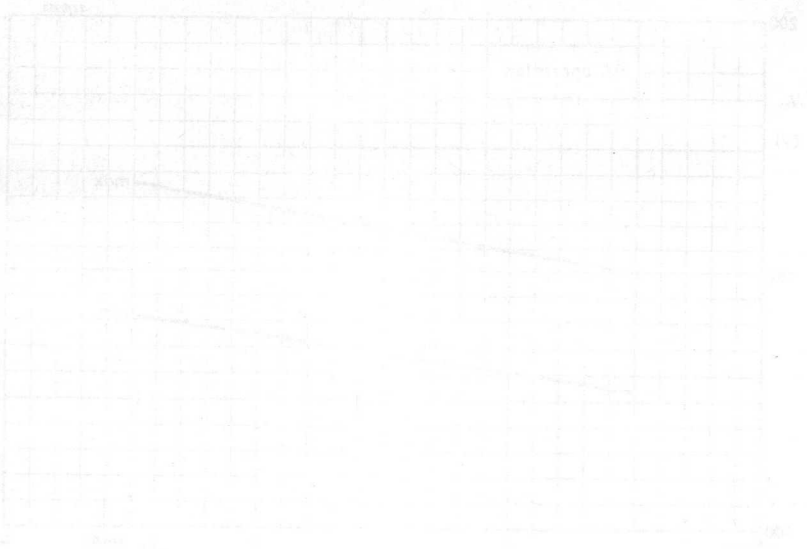




ANODE-TO-CATHODE MAINTAINING VOLTAGE  
AS A FUNCTION OF CATHODE CURRENT



PEAK ANODE-TO-CATHODE MAINTAINING VOLTAGE  
AS A FUNCTION OF PEAK CATHODE CURRENT



THESE ARE THE THIRTEEN MAIN POINTS  
AS A RESULT OF THE TESTS

## PANDICON\* INDICATOR TUBE

Long-life, multiple cold-cathode, gas-filled indicator tube for in-line numerical display applications requiring a large number of digits (up to 14) to be displayed on a minimum of space, e.g. in electronic desk-top calculators. To facilitate the reading of large numbers, punctuation marks can be made to appear at suitable places.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Numeral height		10 mm
Numerals	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	
Number of decades		14
Decimal points		to the lower right of the numerals
Punctuation marks		to the upper right of the numerals
Decade pitch		10 mm
Supply voltage, peak	$V_{bap}$	min. 170 V
Anode current, peak	$I_{ap}$	9 mA

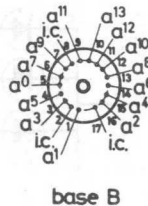
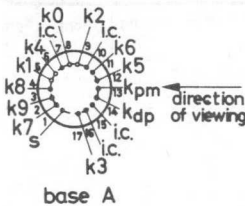
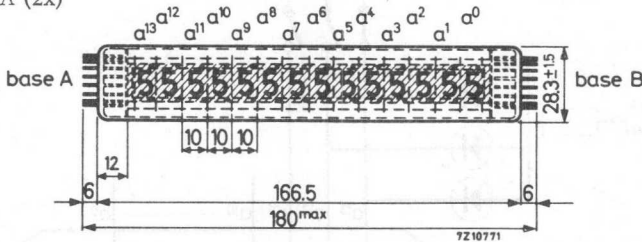
### GENERAL

The numerals are 10 mm high and appear on the same base-line allowing in-line read-out.

### DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm

Base: B17A (2x)



No undue stress should be placed on the base pins.

\*Registered Trade Mark for multiple indicator tubes.  
Data based on pre-production tubes.

**PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION**

The tube contains 10 common numeral cathode rails, one common decimal point cathode rail, one common punctuation-mark cathode rail, a common screen and 14 decade anodes.

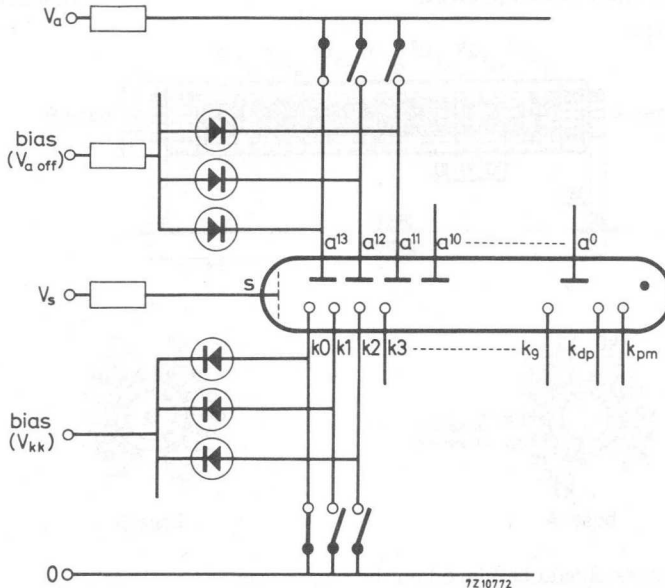
The application of a suitable coincidence voltage (pulse) on the cathode rail and on one anode causes the selected numeral to light up in the desired decade. Sequential drive of either the cathode rails or the anodes, whilst simultaneously selecting the corresponding anode or cathode, respectively, with a minimum cycling frequency of approximately 70 Hz allows flicker-free numerical presentation.

In a practical circuit both the "off" anodes and the "off" cathodes are to be kept in the quiescent state by a bias voltage in such a way that they will neither act as cathodes nor as anodes.

The cathode numeral (with or without decimal point and/or punctuation-mark) to be selected is to be driven negative and the anode to be selected positive with respect to the bias.

The screen must be kept at a steady potential during operation to prevent "cross-talk" between the decades. (See basic circuit).

Remark: Because a gas discharge is not current limiting in itself, the electrode currents must be limited to safe values by using resistors or (limited) current sources.



Basic circuit

Pertinent application information is available on request.

**CHARACTERISTICS AND OPERATING CONDITIONS**

Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	max.	170	V
Ignition delay, first ignition	$T_d$ typ.	max.	0.5	s
subsequent ignitions	$T_d$		10	$\mu$ s
Anode current, peak				
with or without decimal point and/or				
punctuation mark at $T_{imp} = 50 \mu$ s	$I_{ap}$	min.	6	mA
at $T_{imp} = 150 \mu$ s		min.	5	mA
at $T_{imp} = 1000 \mu$ s		min.	4	mA
	$I_{ap}$	max.	12	
Recommended pulse duration	$T_{imp}$	150 to	500	$\mu$ s
Maintaining voltage	$V_m$	see page 5		
Cathode selecting voltage	$V_{kk}$	min.	70	V 1)
		max.	100	V
"Off" anode voltage	$V_{aoff}$	min.	85	V
		max.	115	V
Recommended screen voltage	$V_s$	10 V below $V_{aoff}$		
Decimal point resistor 2)	$R_{dp}$		10	$k\Omega \pm 10\%$
Punctuation mark resistor 2)	$R_{pm}$		10	$k\Omega \pm 10\%$

1) At lower values of  $V_{kk}$  the contrast of the display will be reduced due to glow on adjacent numerals. This will not affect the life of the tube.

After switching the bias should be restored within 20  $\mu$ s.

2) The decimal point and/or punctuation mark cathode(s) may not be operated without extra current limiting resistor.

**LIFE EXPECTANCY AND RELIABILITY**

The life is inversely proportional to the instantaneous value of the peak operating current and on the pulse repetition operating frequency. Due to the extreme longevity this proportionality is not expected to show within the first three years of operation within the ratings.

Accelerated life tests (high peak current, frequency and duty cycle) have indicated a life expectancy well in excess of 50 000 operating hours in a typical application. Integration of 14 full decades and the associated interconnections in a single package improves the mechanical reliability by a factor of 7 to 14 compared to a row of 14 individual indicator tubes.

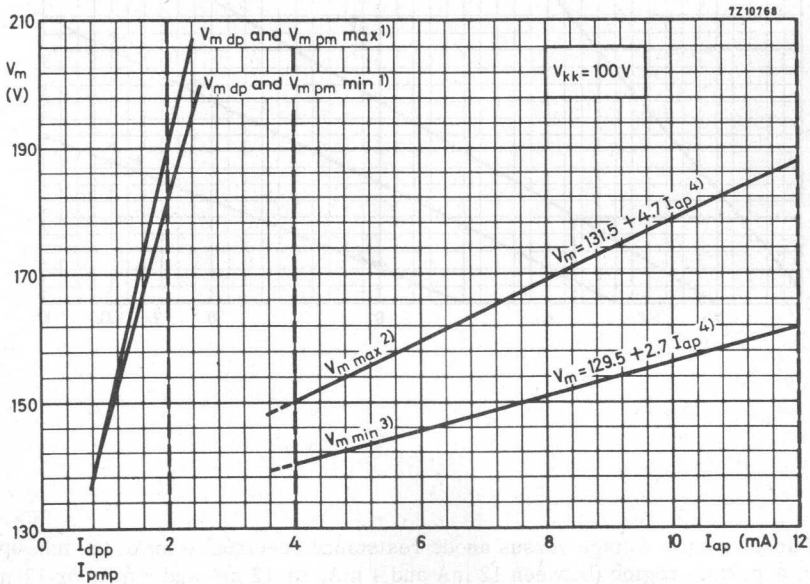
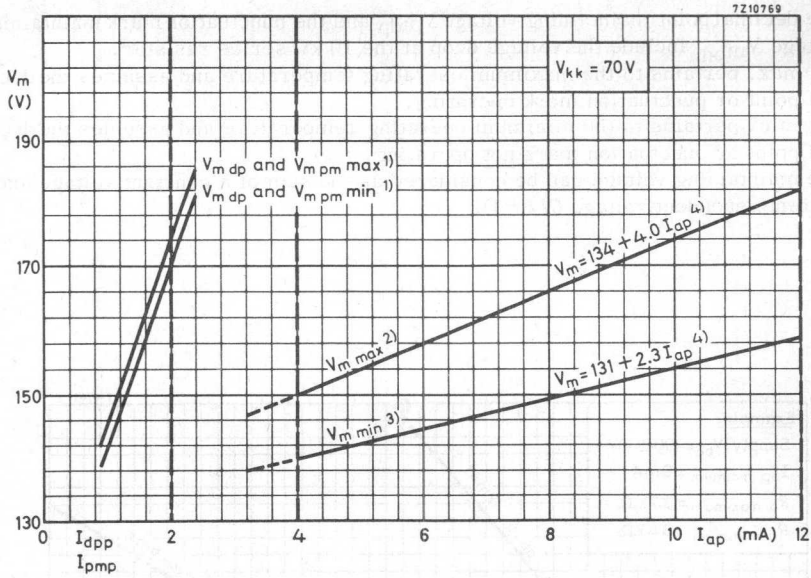
Minimum Mean Time Between Failures is estimated to be 500 000 operating hours.

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode supply voltage	$V_{ba}$	min. 170 V max. 220 V
Anode current, peak each anode with or without decimal point and/or punctuation mark	$I_{ap}$	min. 6 mA min. 5 mA min. 4 mA
at $T_{imp} = 50 \mu s$		
at $T_{imp} = 100 \mu s$		
at $T_{imp} = 1500 \mu s$	$I_a$	max. 12 mA max. 1.5 mA
average ( $T_{av} = 1 s$ )		
Anode current, peak; decimal point or punctuation mark only 2)	$I_{ap}$	min. 0.5 mA max. 2 mA
average ( $T_{av} = 1 s$ )	$I_a$	max. 0.25 mA
Pulse duration	$T_{imp}$	min. 50 $\mu s$
Cathode selecting voltage	$V_{kk}$	max. 100 V
"Off" anode voltage	$V_{aoff}$	min. 85 V max. 115 V
Screen voltage	$V_s$	min. 70 V max. 100 V
Voltage between any pair of electrodes (operating anode excluded)	$V$	max. 120 V
Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$	min. -50 °C 1) max. +70 °C

1) Bulb temperatures below 10 °C result in a reduced life expectancy and changes in characteristics.

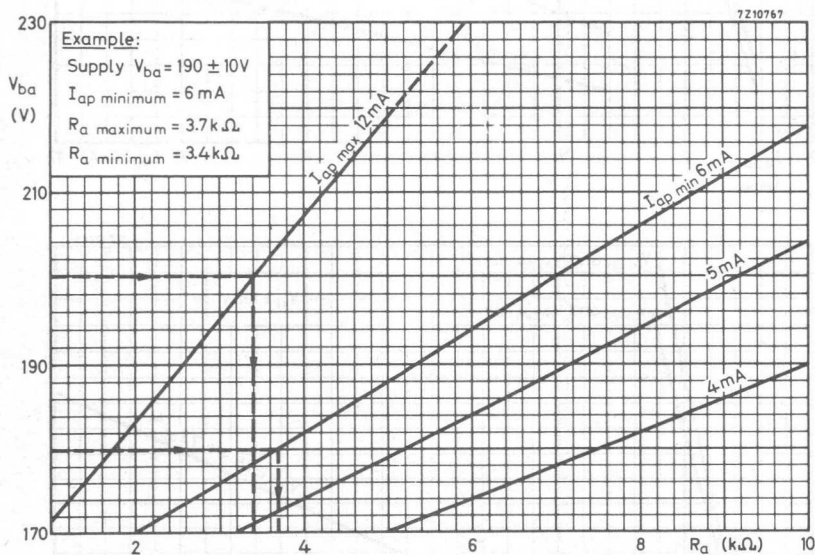
2) See page 3.



Notes see page 6

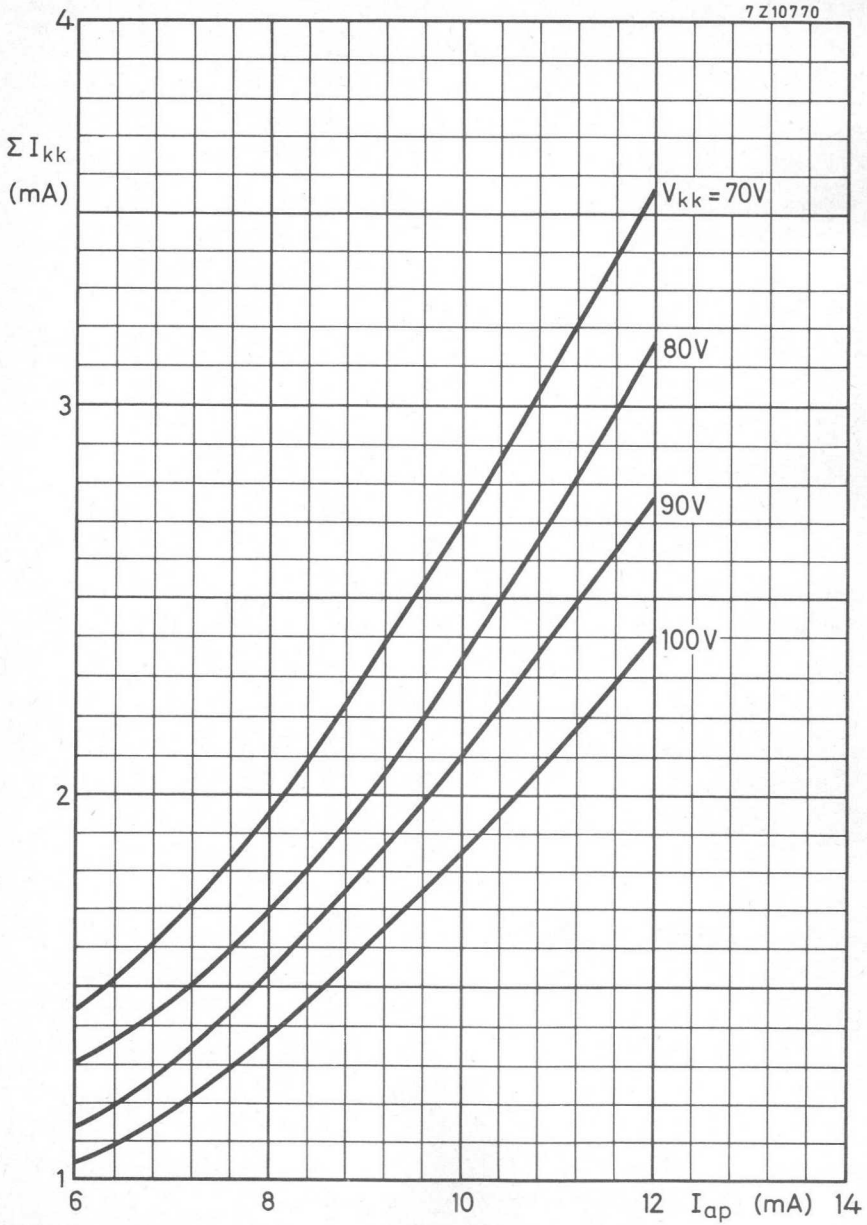
Notes to page 5

- 1) The decimal point maintaining voltage  $V_{mdp}$  and the punctuation mark maintaining voltage  $V_{mppm}$  include the voltage drop at the 10 k $\Omega$  series resistor.
- 2)  $V_m$  max. pertains to the maximum operating temperature and assumes the decimal point or punctuation mark operating.
- 3)  $V_m$  min. pertains to the minimum operating temperature and assumes the decimal point or punctuation mark not operating.
- 4) The maintaining voltage can be considered as the sum of a constant voltage and a current dependent voltage (V/mA).



Plot of anode supply voltage versus anode resistance required to make the tube operate in a certain region (between 12 mA and 4 mA, or 12 mA and 5 mA, or 12 mA and 6 mA), depending on pulse duration. (See "Characteristics and operating conditions").





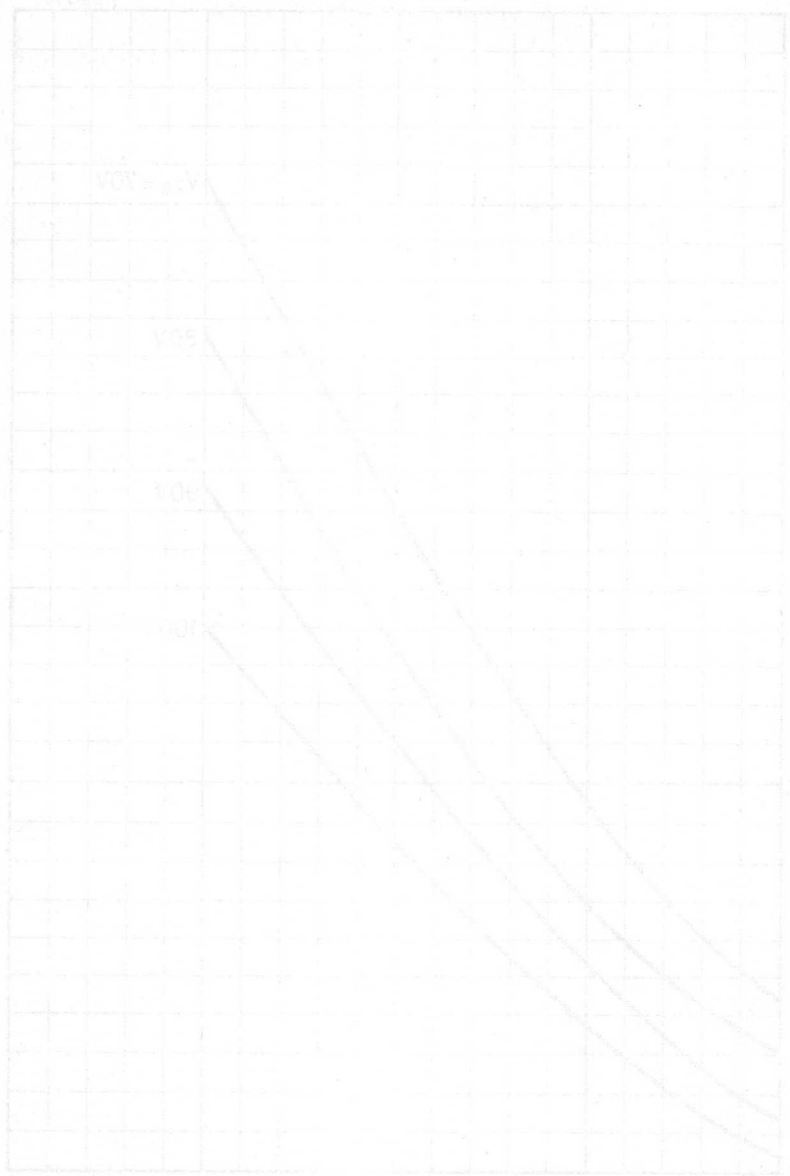


Fig. 3  
(Am)

Al (Am) 0 1 2 3 4  
I (Am) 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

## INDICATOR TUBE

Long life cold cathode ten digit numeral indicator tube for side viewing.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Numeral height	15.5 mm	
Numerals	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0	
Supply voltage	$V_{da}$ min.	170 V
Cathode current	$I_k$	2.5 mA
Distance between mounting centres	min. 19 mm	

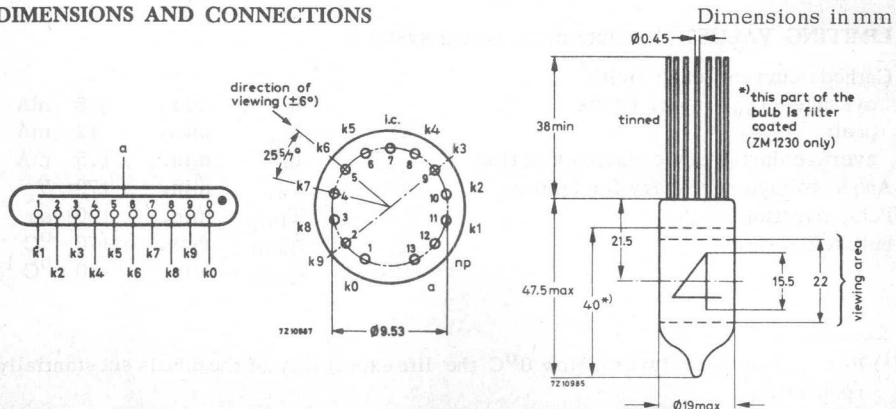
### GENERAL

The numerals are 15.5 mm high and appear on the same base line allowing in-line read out. The ZM1230 is provided with a red contrast filter. The ZM1232 is identical to the ZM1230 but has no filter.

### PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION

The tube contains ten cathodes in the form of ten figures and one common anode. By applying a suitable voltage between the anode and one of the ten cathodes the corresponding figure will be covered by a red neon glow.

### DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS



Mounting position: any

The numerals will appear upright (within  $\pm 3^\circ$ ) when the tube is mounted vertically, base up.

Soldering

The tube may be soldered directly into the circuit, but heat conduction to the glass-to-metal seals should be kept to a minimum by the use of a thermal shunt.

The leads may be dip-soldered to a minimum of 5 mm from the seals at a solder temperature of  $240^\circ\text{C}$  for a maximum of 10 s.

Note

Care should be taken not to bend the leads nearer than 1.5 mm from the seals.

**CHARACTERISTICS AND OPERATING CONDITIONS** (at  $20^\circ\text{C}$  to  $50^\circ\text{C}$ )

Ignition voltage	$V_{\text{ign}}$ min.	170 V
Ignition delay	see page 3	
Maintaining voltage	see page 4	
Cathode current, recommended	$I_k$	2.5 mA
Cathode current for coverage, average during any conduction period	$I_k$ min.	1.5 mA
D.C. operation	see pages 4 to 9	
Pulse operation	see pages 4, 10, 11 and 12	
Extinguishing voltage	$V_{\text{ext}}$	115 V

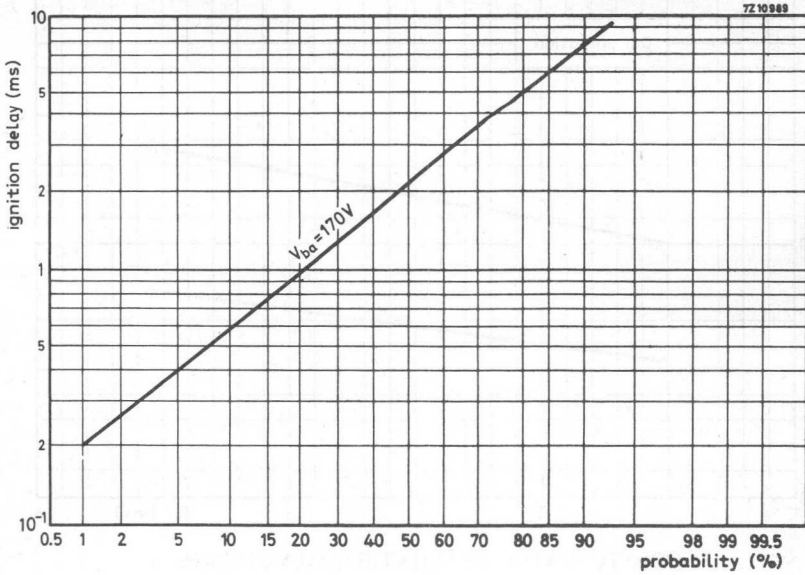
**LIFE EXPECTANCY** at  $I_k = 2.5$  mA and room temperature <sup>1)</sup>

Continuous display of one numeral	>	5 000 h
Sequentially changing the display from one numeral to another, every 100 hrs or less	>	30 000 h

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Cathode current (each digit), average, $T_{\text{av}} = \text{max. } 10$ ms	$I_k$ max.	3.5 mA
peak	$I_{kP}$ max.	12 mA
average during any conduction period	$I_k$ min.	1.5 mA
Anode voltage necessary for ignition	$V_a$ min.	170 V
Pulse duration	$T_{\text{imp}}$ min.	100 $\mu\text{s}$
Bulb temperature	$t_{\text{bulb}}$ max.	$+70^\circ\text{C}$
	$t_{\text{bulb}}$ min.	$-50^\circ\text{C}$ <sup>1)</sup>

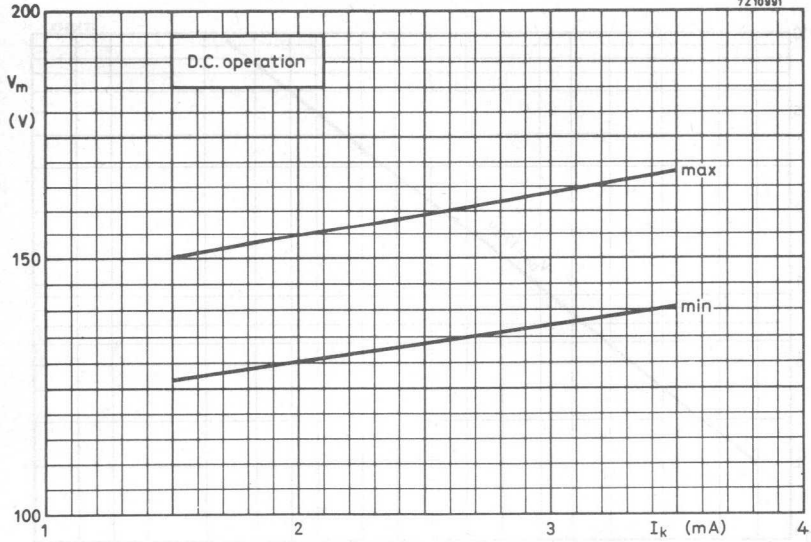
<sup>1)</sup> For bulb temperatures below  $0^\circ\text{C}$  the life expectancy of the tube is substantially reduced.



CUMULATIVE DISTRIBUTION OF IGNITION DELAY

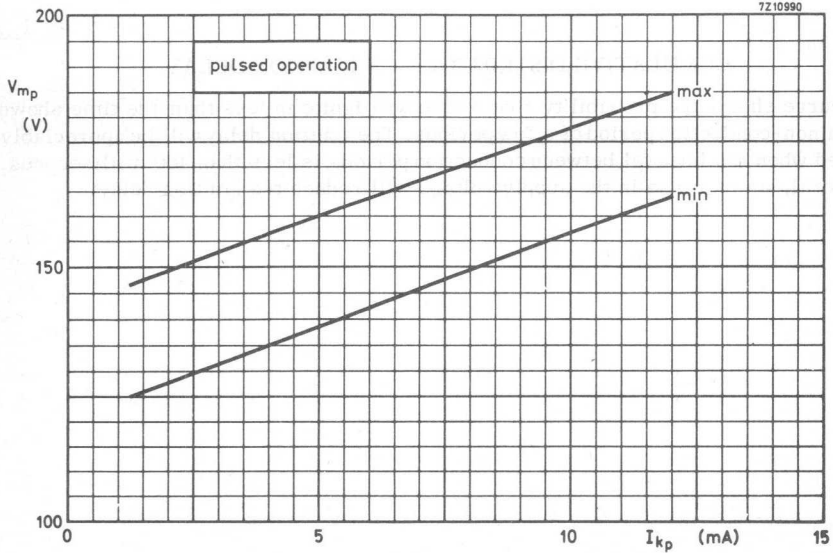
This curve shows the probability that a tube will ignite in less than the time shown after a non-conduction period of a few periods. The ignition delay will be appreciably reduced when the interval between conduction periods is less than 100 milliseconds. In general, an increase in the supply voltage will reduce the ignition delay.

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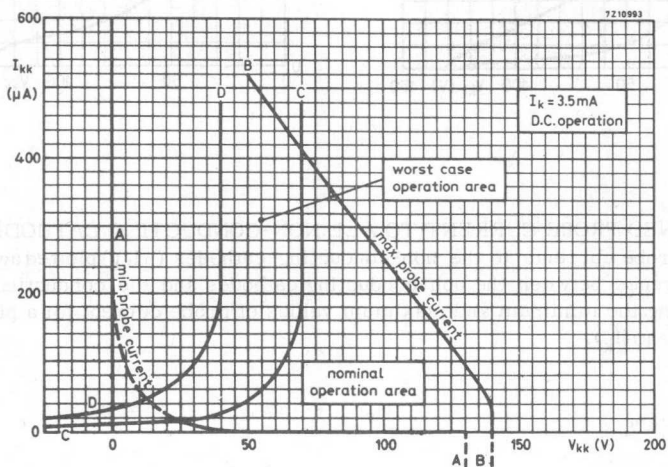
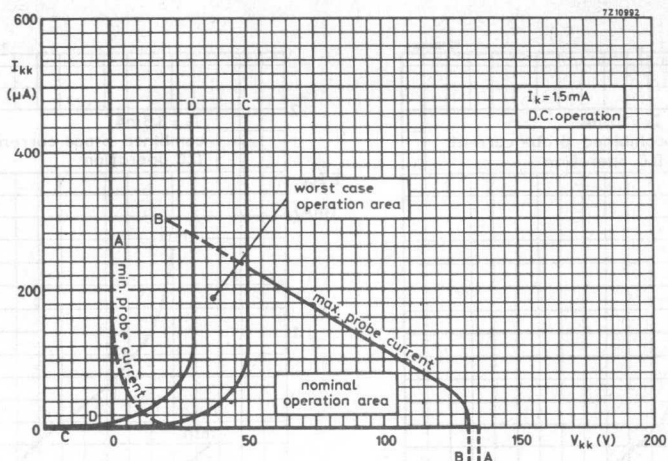


ANODE-TO-CATHODE MAINTAINING VOLTAGE  
AS A FUNCTION OF CATHODE CURRENT

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PEAK ANODE-TO-CATHODE MAINTAINING VOLTAGE  
AS A FUNCTION OF PEAK CATHODE CURRENT

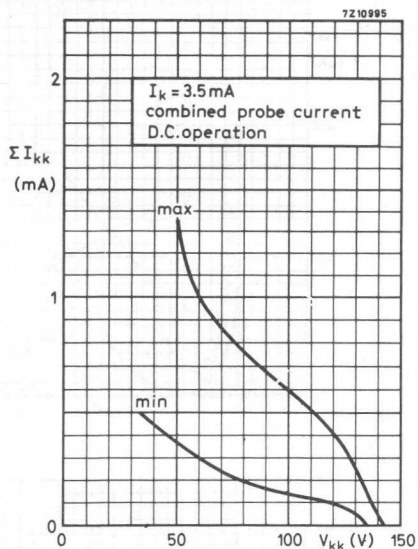
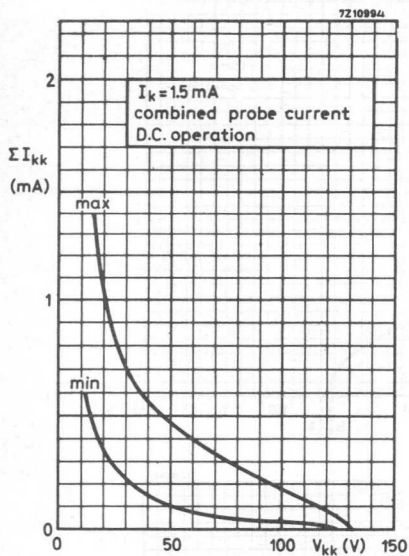


PROBE CURRENT TO INDIVIDUAL NON-CONDUCTING CATHODES

The boundaries A-A and B-B of the graphs represent, for the shown cathode current range, the range of probe current ( $I_{kk}$ ) to individual non-conducting cathodes plotted against the voltage difference between the non-conducting cathodes and the conducting cathode ( $V_{kk}$ ).

For low cathode selecting voltages ( $V_{kk}$ ) the current  $I_{kk}$  to the non-conducting cathode will increase, and the readability conducting cathode will be affected.

It is therefore recommended to use a nominal operating point to the right of line C-C. Under the worst operating conditions the operating point should never reach the area left of the line D-D.



#### COMBINED PROBE CURRENT TO ALL NON-CONDUCTING CATHODES

Sum of the probe currents to the non-conducting cathodes ( $I_{kk}$ ) plotted against the voltage difference between the non-conducting cathodes and the conducting cathode ( $V_{kk}$ ), showing the minimum and maximum values of probe current for a particular cathode current ( $I_k$ ).



SUPPLY VOLTAGE/LOAD RESISTOR

The graphs on pages 8, 9 and 12 give the relationship between the anode supply voltage and the required anode load resistor for fixed values of  $V_{kk}$  (voltage difference between conducting cathode and non-conducting cathodes).

Each graph is plotted on log-log graph paper; therefore a given tolerance expressed as a percentage can be represented as a fixed length at any point on the x and y axes. This is shown on the first graph by taking points on each axis with a fixed tolerance.

Examples are shown on the first graph of the supply voltages and load resistors with tolerance expressed as a percentage so as to remain within the recommended operating region.

The curves are derived from: -

$$V_{ba} = I_a \cdot R_a + V_m$$

$$I_a = I_k + \Sigma I_{kk}$$

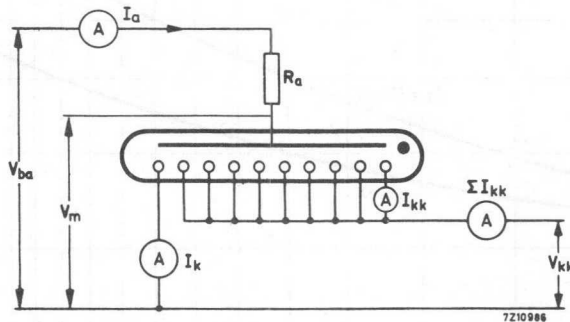
$$V_{ba} = (I_k + \Sigma I_{kk}) R_a + V_m$$

For a given value of  $R_a$ , the minimum supply voltage limit to ensure that the cathode current exceeds  $I_k$  min. is given by:

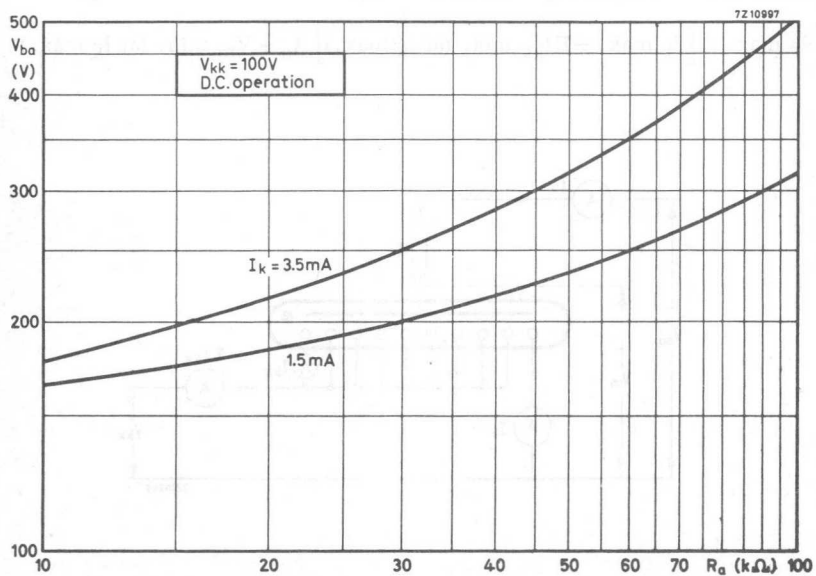
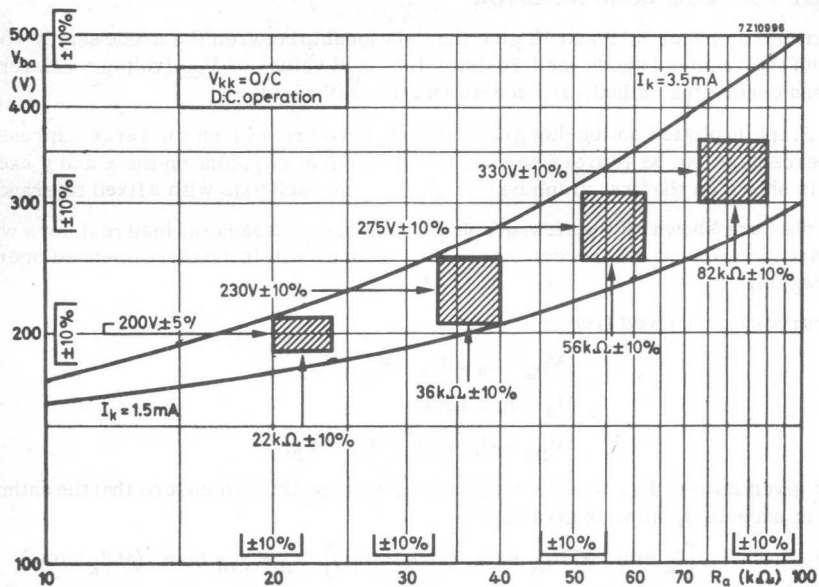
$$V_{ba} \text{ min.} = [I_k \text{ min.} + \Sigma I_{kk} \text{ max. (at } I_k \text{ min.)}] R_a + V_m \text{ max. (at } I_k \text{ min.)}$$

For the same value of  $R_a$ , the maximum supply voltage limit to ensure that the cathode current does not exceed  $I_k$  max. is given by:

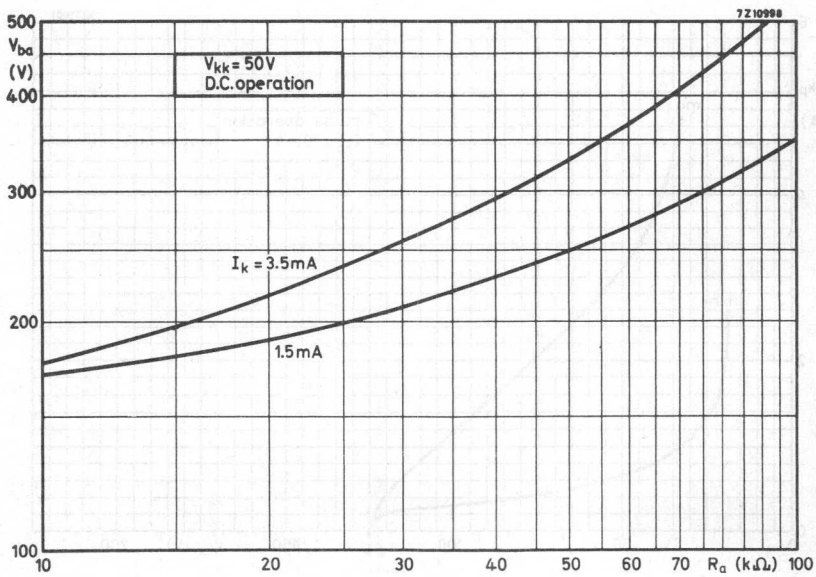
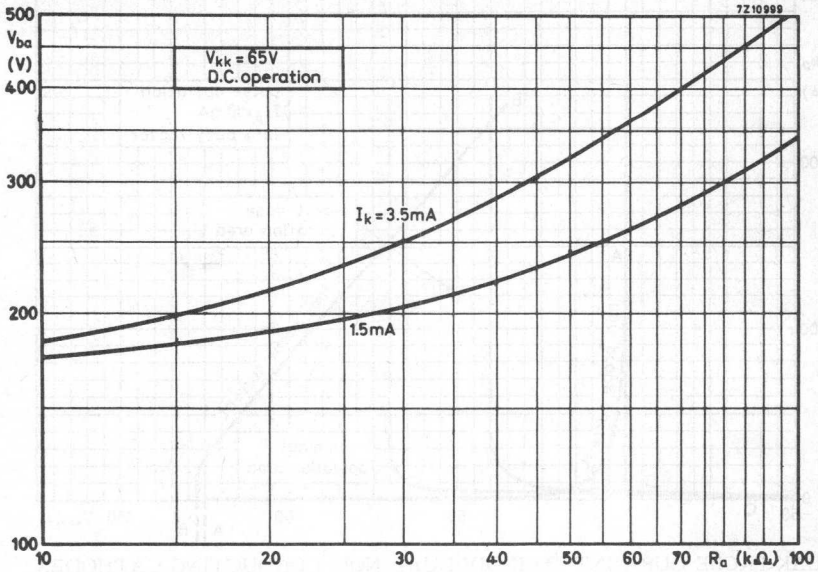
$$V_{ba} \text{ max.} = [I_k \text{ max.} + \Sigma I_{kk} \text{ min. (at } I_k \text{ max.)}] R_a + V_m \text{ min. (at } I_k \text{ max.)}$$



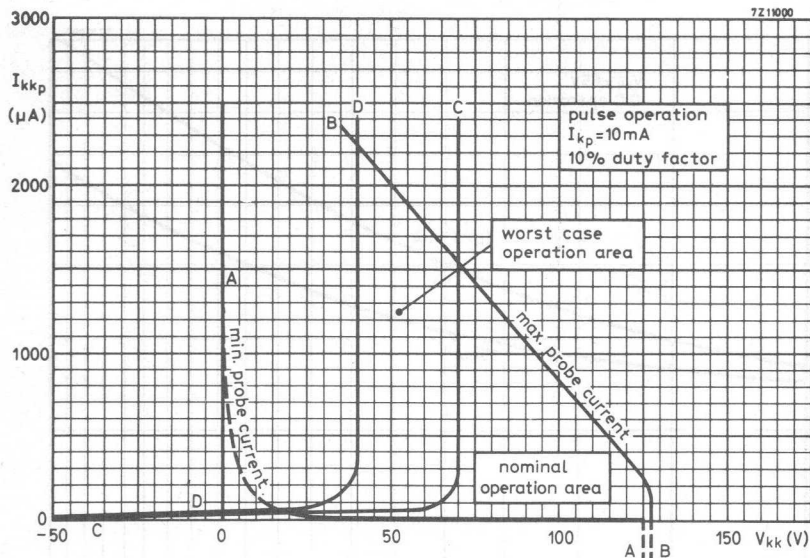
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D.C. SUPPLY VOLTAGE PLOTTED AGAINST ANODE LOAD RESISTOR

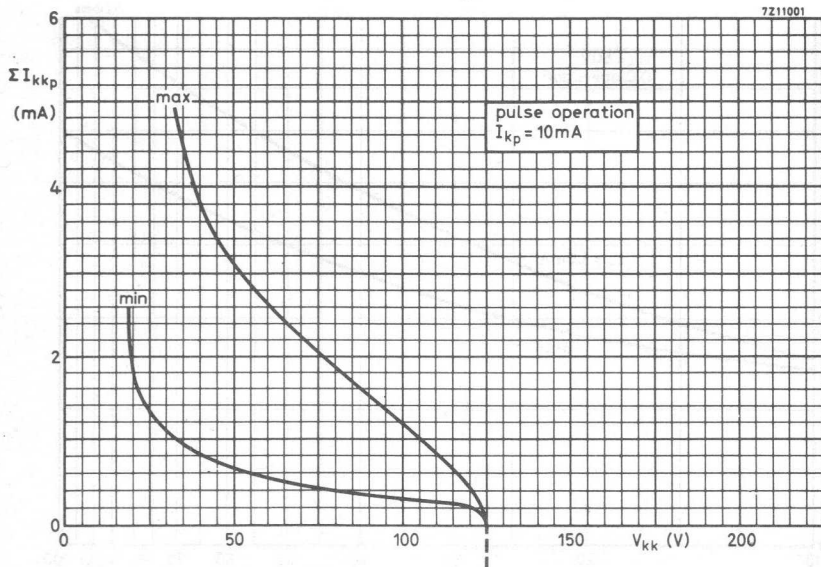


D.C. SUPPLY VOLTAGE AS A FUNCTION OF ANODE LOAD RESISTOR



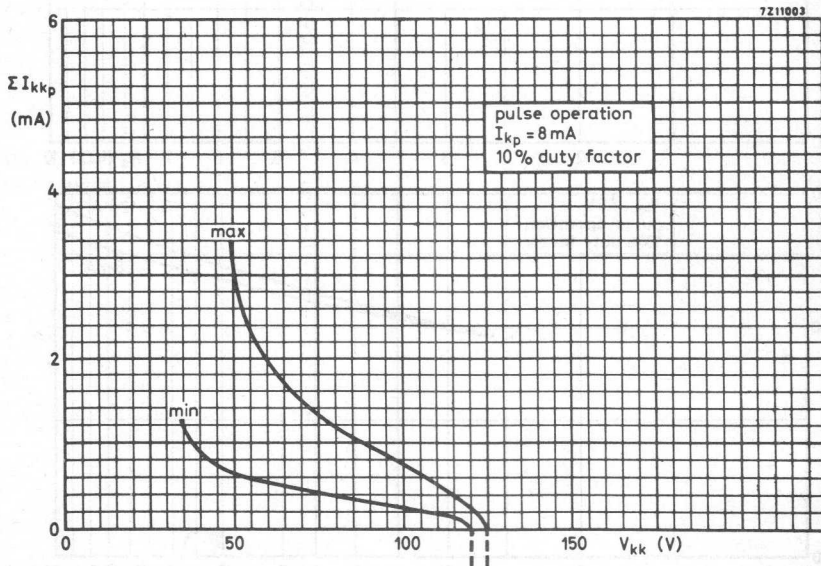
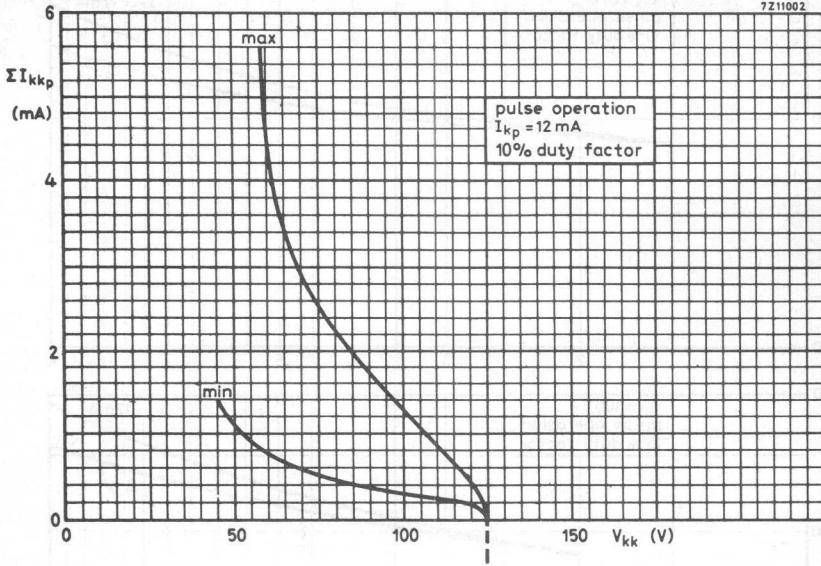
PEAK PROBE CURRENT TO INDIVIDUAL NON-CONDUCTING CATHODES

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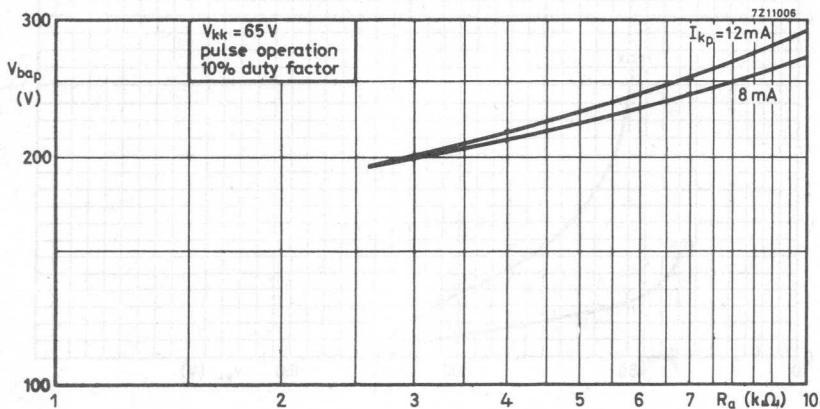
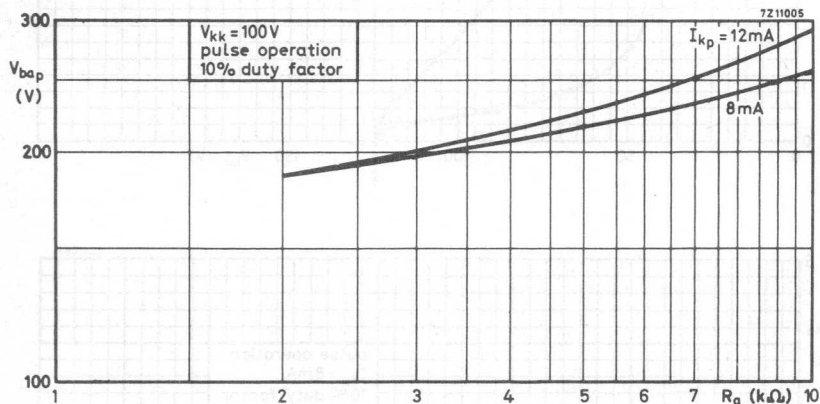
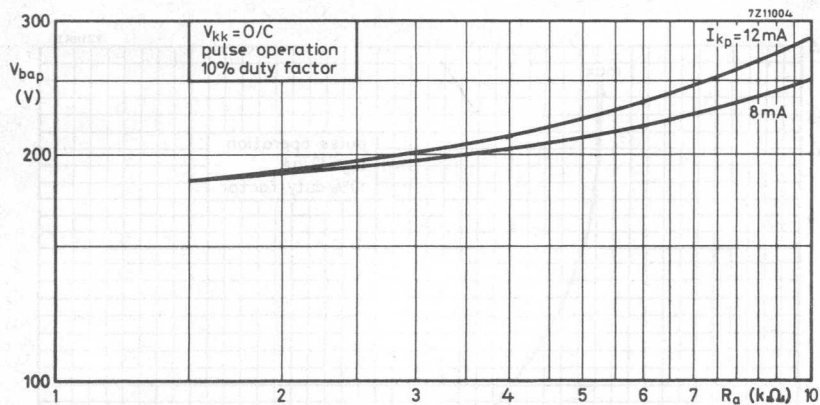


COMBINED PEAK PROBE CURRENT TO ALL NON-CONDUCTING CATHODES

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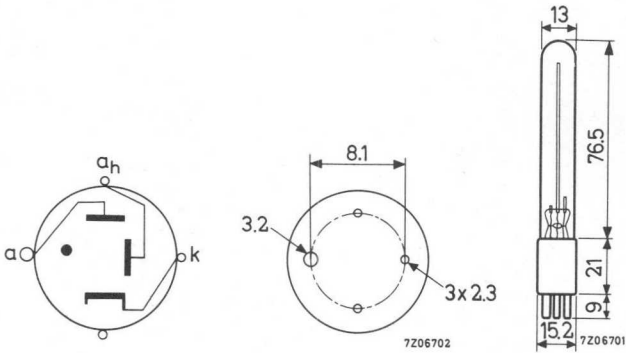


PEAK SUPPLY VOLTAGE AS A FUNCTION OF ANODE LOAD RESISTOR

## INDICATOR TUBE

## DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm



## OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS

Ignition voltage of auxiliary anode  
 Auxiliary anode current  
 Maintaining voltage of main anode  
 Main anode current

$V_{ign}$	165 to 190 V
$I_{a_h}$	40 to 50 $\mu A$
$V_m$	150 to 170 V
$I_a$	max. 2 mA

# INDICATOR TUBE

## DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

## Dimensions (in mm)

mm  
inch



18	0.7087
100	3.9370
12	0.4724
15	0.5906

INDICATOR TUBE  
 PARTS LIST  
 1. INDICATOR TUBE  
 2. ...  
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# Trigger tubes and switching diodes



RECOMMENDED TYPES FOR NEW EQUIPMENT

Switching and light diodes

ZA1002

ZA1004

light tubes and switching diodes



## **RATING SYSTEM**

**( in accordance with I.E.C. publication 134 )**

### **Absolute maximum rating system**

Absolute maximum ratings are limiting values of operating and environmental conditions applicable to any electronic device of a specified type as defined by its published data, which should not be exceeded under the worst probable conditions.

These values are chosen by the device manufacturer to provide acceptable serviceability of the device, taking no responsibility for equipment variations, environmental variations, and the effects of changes in operating conditions due to variations in the characteristics of the device under consideration and of all other electronic devices in the equipment.

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



# TRAINING SYSTEM

in accordance with EEO regulations 114

## Absolute minimum training system

The minimum training system is designed to provide the necessary knowledge and skills for the job. It is based on the job analysis and the identification of the essential functions of the job.

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## TRIGGER TUBE

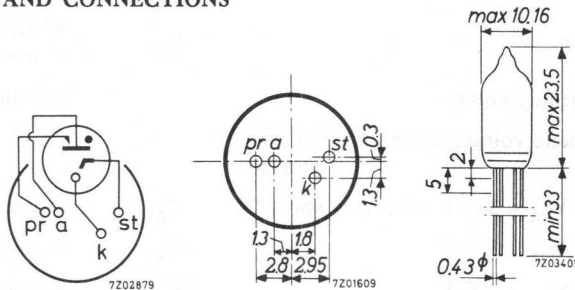
Subminiature cold cathode trigger tube with electrical priming. The tube has a molybdenum cathode and is designed for operation with positive voltages on its anode and starter in applications as counters, shift registers, pulse generators, general relay service and timers.

During conduction a red neon glow is visible through the base.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Anode supply voltage	$V_{ba}$	=	250 V
Anode to cathode maintaining voltage	$V_m$	=	116 V
Maximum average cathode current	$I_k$	=	5 mA
Starter to cathode ignition voltage	$V_{stign}$	=	145 V
Min. starter capacitance required for transfer	$C_{st}$	=	100 pF
Max. counting speed in decade counter		=	5 kHz

### DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS



### MOUNTING

1. Directly soldered connections to the leads must be at least 5 mm from glass and any bending of the leads must be at least 2 mm from the glass.
2. When soldering into the circuit the heat conducted to the glass should be kept to a minimum by the use of a thermal shunt on the leads.
3. The leads may be dip-soldered to minimum 5 mm from the glass at a solder temperature of 240 °C during maximum 10 seconds.

**MOUNTING**(continued)

4. The starter and priming cathode circuit resistors and capacitors should be mounted close to the tube.
5. The tube may ignite spontaneously when mounted in an electric field, the probability of igniting being dependent on the field strength (direction and magnitude) and its rate of change. Touching the envelope by live components should be avoided, and it is recommended to maintain a distance between components or electrostatic shields and any part of the envelope of at least some mm.

**CHARACTERISTIC RANGE VALUES FOR EQUIPMENT DESIGN**

(over life and full temperature range unless otherwise stated)

All values quoted assume the presence of a priming discharge which should be ensured during stand-by and conduction. This discharge has a typical max. ignition delay of 0.1 sec at  $V_{ba-pr} = 200$  V.

Stand-by (main gap non conducting)

Anode to cathode voltage

positive ( $V_{st} \geq 0$  V,  $I_{st} \leq 0.5 \mu A$ )

$$V_a = \text{max. } 310 \text{ V } ^1)$$

See also sheet 10

negative ( $V_{st} = 0$  to 100 V,  $I_{st} = 0$  mA)

$$-V_a = \text{max. } 50 \text{ V}$$

Anode to primer supply voltage

$$V_{ba-pr} = \text{min. } 200 \text{ V}$$

Primer current

$$I_{pr} = \text{min. } 1 \mu A$$

$$= \text{max. } 12 \mu A$$

Primer maintaining voltage

See sheet 12

Starter to cathode voltage to ensure non ignition

positive, at  $V_{ba} = 300$  V, see also sheet 7

$$V_{st} = \text{max. } 135 \text{ V } ^2)$$

negative, at  $V_{ba} = 300$  V

$$-V_{st} = \text{max. } 30 \text{ V } ^3)$$

at  $V_{ba} = 200$  V

$$-V_{st} = \text{max. } 50 \text{ V } ^3)$$

Starter current

positive

See sheet 10

negative

$$= 0 \mu A$$

Starter to cathode maintaining voltage

( $I_{st} = 30 \mu A$ ,  $I_a = 0$  mA, see also sheet 10)

typical minimum

$$V_{mst} = \text{min. } 105 \text{ V}$$

## CHARACTERISTIC RANGE VALUES FOR EQUIPMENT DESIGN (continued)

Ignition <sup>4)</sup>

Anode to cathode voltage	$V_a$	= min.	200	V
Primer current	$I_{pr}$	= min.	1	$\mu A$
		= max.	12	$\mu A$

D.C. triggering

Starter to cathode voltage above which all tubes ignite ( $V_{ba} = 250$  V) (See sheet 7)

initially	$V_{st_{ign}}$	= min.	153	V
typical over life	$V_{st_{ign}}$	= min.	155	V <sup>7)</sup>
Typical max. change over life	$\Delta V_{st_{ign}}$	=	$\pm 3$	V <sup>7)</sup>
Typical max. temperature coefficient of starter ignition voltage	$\frac{\Delta V_{st_{ign}}}{\Delta t_{bulb}}$	=	-25	mV/ $^{\circ}C$

Starter to cathode capacitance to ensure transfer (See sheet 7)

$$C_{st} = \text{min. } 100 \text{ pF } ^{8)}$$

Starter to cathode maintaining voltage ( $I_{st} = 30 \mu A$ ,  $I_a = 0$  mA, See also sheet 10)

typical max.	$V_{mst}$	= max.	128	V
typical min.	$V_{mst}$	= min.	105	V

Pulse triggering

Starter to cathode pulse + bias voltage above which all tubes ignite ( $V_{ba} = 250$  V,  $T_{imp} = 20 \mu s$ )

initially	$V_{stp}$	= min.	172	V <sup>2)3)</sup>
typical over life				See sheet 11
Typical max. temperature coefficient of starter ignition voltage	$\frac{\Delta V_{st_{ign}}}{\Delta t_{bulb}}$	=	-25	mV/ $^{\circ}C$
Starter coupling capacitance to ensure transfer	$C_{st}$	= min.	100	pF <sup>9)</sup>
Typical anode breakdown delay		=	5	$\mu s$ <sup>5)</sup>

<sup>1)2)3)4)5)7)8)9)</sup> See page 5

**CHARACTERISTIC RANGE VALUES FOR EQUIPMENT DESIGN (continued)**

Main gap conducting

During conduction a neon glow is visible through the base.

Static anode to cathode maintaining voltage

at  $I_k = 3.5 \text{ mA}$  (See also sheet 8)

initial max.

typical over life

$$V_m = \text{min. } 111 \text{ V}^{(4)}$$

$$V_m = \text{max. } 120 \text{ V}^{(4)}$$

$$V_m = \text{max. } 122 \text{ V}^{(4)}$$

Min. cathode current during any conduction period

$$I_k = \text{min. } 2 \text{ mA}$$

Max. average cathode current ( $T_{av \text{ max.}} = 5 \text{ s}$ )

$$I_k = \text{max. } 5 \text{ mA}$$

Max. peak cathode current (See also sheet 12)

$$I_{k_p} = \text{max. } 200 \text{ mA}$$

Starter current

See sheet 11

positive average ( $T_{av \text{ max.}} = 5 \text{ s}$ )

$$I_{st} = \text{max. } 3 \text{ mA}$$

positive peak

$$I_{st_p} = \text{max. } 100 \text{ mA}$$

negative when d.c. triggering is used

$$-I_{st} = \text{max. } 10 \mu\text{A}^{(7)}$$

negative when pulse triggering is used

$$-I_{st} = \text{max. } 120 \mu\text{A}^{(7)}$$

Rise in bulb temperature

$$\Delta t_{\text{bulb}} = \text{approx. } 8 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}/\text{mA}$$

Extinction

Forced extinction

Anode circuit recovery time constant

$$= \text{min. } 200 \mu\text{s}^{(6)}$$

Self extinction

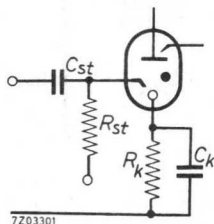
Typical minimum component values to ensure self extinction of the main discharge

$$C_{st} = 100 \text{ pF}$$

$$R_{st} = 1.2 \text{ M}\Omega$$

$$C_k = 330 \text{ pF}$$

$$R_k = 1.8 \text{ M}\Omega$$





**LIFE EXPECTANCY 7)**

Provided the operating recommendations are observed a life in excess of 30.000 operating hours may be expected with a failure rate of 0.1 % per 1000 h.

- 1) This value for maximum anode voltage holds for cathode currents up to 6 mA. At cathode currents above 6 mA the maximum anode voltage is reduced with 4 V per additional mA. The normal value of 310 V will be restored within 30 s after cessation of conduction.
- 2) At anode supply voltages higher than 270 V, spurious ignitions may occur if a large amplitude pulse (higher than 100 V) with a steep leading edge which is not intended to ignite the tube reaches the starter.
- 3) In some circuits differentiation may give rise to negative pulses on the starter. Care must be taken not to exceed the limiting value for  $-V_{st}$ .
- 4) Immediately after ignition a voltage considerably lower than the published maintaining voltage may occur across the tube. Thus the output pulse may be higher than the difference between the supply voltage and the static maintaining voltage. Care should be taken to sustain the priming discharge.
- 5) The anode breakdown delay is given under the following conditions: Starter overvoltage 50 V,  $R_{st} = 1.2 \text{ M}\Omega$ ,  $C_{st} = 100 \text{ pF}$ ,  $V_{ba} = 200 \text{ to } 300 \text{ V}$ .
- 6) The anode recovery time is the time required after interruption of the anode current for the starter to regain control. The figure quoted is the minimum required value of the time constant RC determining the rate of rise of the anode voltage.
- 7) To achieve the maximum stability over life the following operating notes should be observed:
  - a) Repetitive ignition via the starter to cathode gap is recommended. The frequency of these ignitions should preferably be higher than once per minute.
  - b) Negative starter current should be kept to a minimum.
  - c) Periods during which negative starter current is drawn shall be kept as short as possible.
  - d) It is recommended that peak currents should be allowed to flow immediately after ignition. This can be done by the use of by-pass capacitors.
  - e) In general pulsed cathode currents are preferable to d.c.
- 8) It is recommended to use higher values of  $C_{st}$  at low anode supply voltages e.g. 1 nF at  $V_{ba} = 200 \text{ V}$ .
- 9) Where possible (at low frequencies) a larger starter capacitor than the specified minimum should be used.
- 10) Adequate cooling should be provided. Envelope temperature rise above ambient at  $I_k = 20 \text{ mA}$  is abt. 160 °C.

## LIMITING VALUES (Absolute max. rating system)

### Anode voltage

negative ( $V_{St} = -50$ to $+100$ V, $I_{St} = 0 \mu A$ )	$-V_a = \text{max. } 50$ V
( $I_{St} > 0 \mu A$ )	$-V_a = \text{max. } 0$ V

### Starter voltage

negative at $V_{ba} = 300$ V	$-V_{St} = \text{max. } 30$ V
at $V_{ba} = 200$ V	$-V_{St} = \text{max. } 50$ V

### Cathode current, average during conduction period

	$I_k = \text{min. } 2$ mA
average ( $T_{av \text{ max.}} = 5$ s)	$I_k = \text{max. } 5$ mA
peak (See also sheet 12)	$I_{kp} = \text{max. } 200$ mA

### Starter current

positive average ( $T_{av \text{ max.}} = 5$ s)	$I_{St} = \text{max. } 3$ mA
peak	$I_{Stp} = \text{max. } 100$ mA
negative, main gap conducting	
when d.c. triggering is used	$-I_{St} = \text{max. } 10 \mu A$
when pulse triggering is used	$-I_{St} = \text{max. } 120 \mu A$
main gap non conducting	$-I_{St} = \text{max. } 0 \mu A$

### Primer current

$$I_{pr} = \text{max. } 12 \mu A$$

### Envelope temperature

tube conducting	$t_{bulb} = \text{max. } 100$ °C
	$t_{bulb} = \text{min. } -55$ °C
storage and stand-by	$t_{bulb} = \text{max. } 70$ °C
	$t_{bulb} = \text{min. } -55$ °C

## LIMITING VALUES (Absolute max. rating system) for reduced life expectancy (4000 operating hours)

If reduced life expectancy can be tolerated the following limiting values apply:

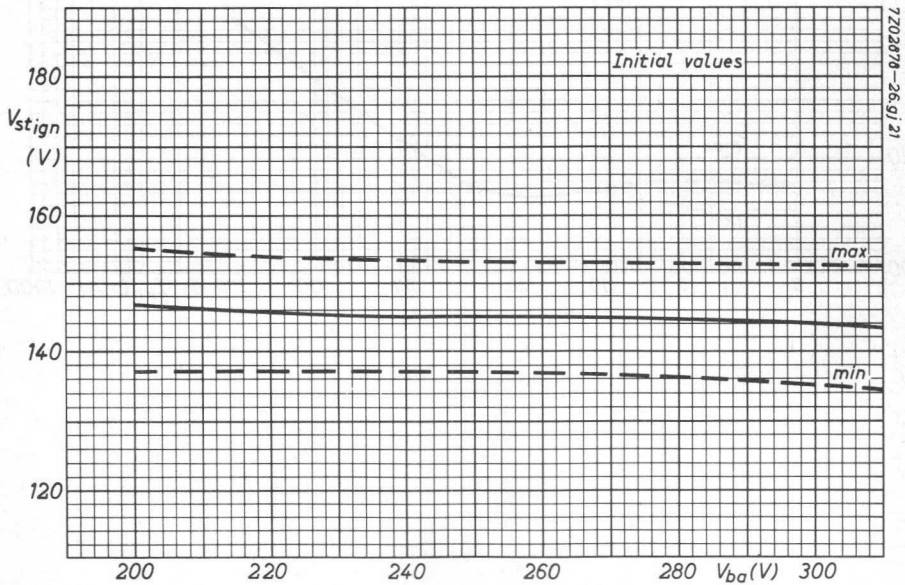
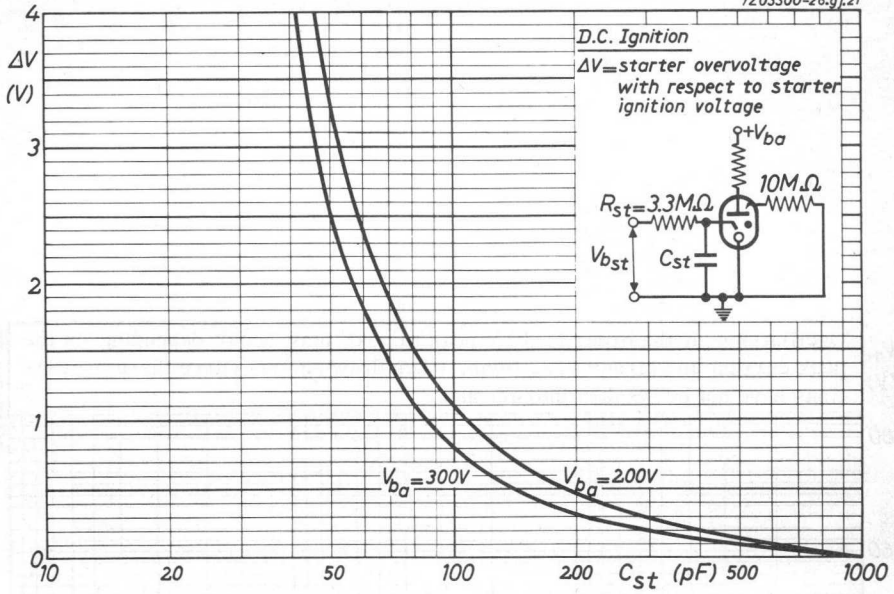
### Cathode current

d.c.	$I_k = \text{max. } 20$ mA
half-wave rectified a.c., average	$I_k = \text{max. } 8$ mA
peak ( $T_{max.} = 20$ ms)	$I_{kp} = \text{max. } 32$ mA

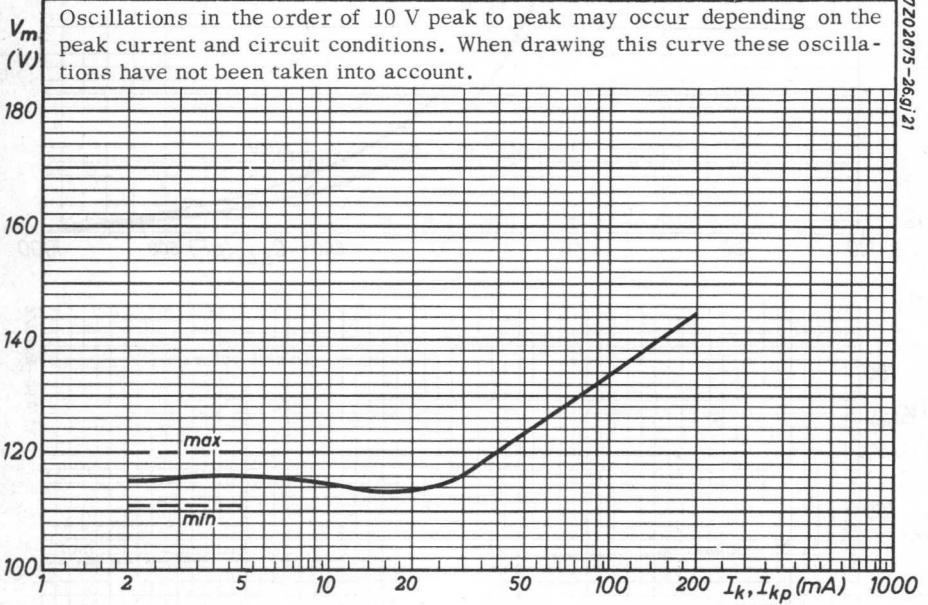
### Envelope temperature

$$t_{bulb} = \text{max. } 200 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C } (10)$$

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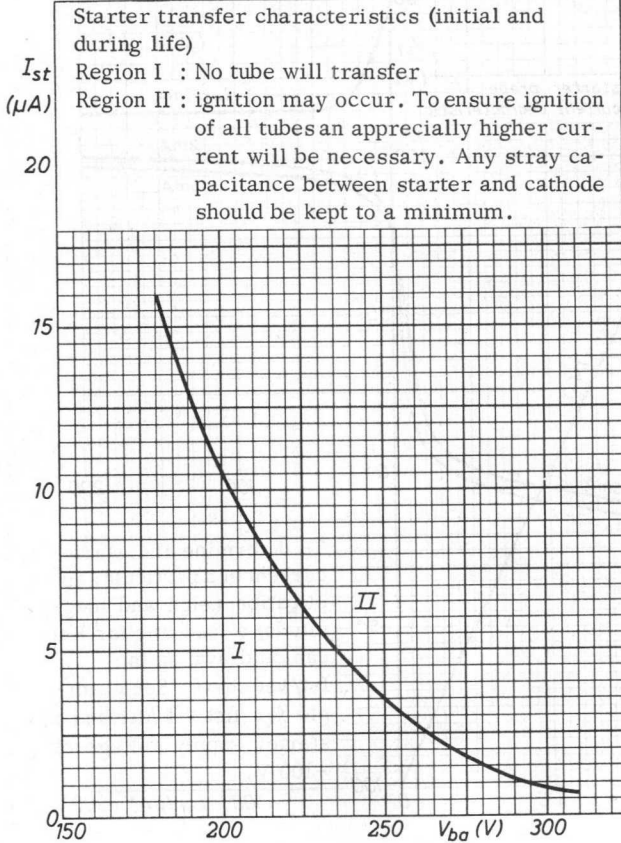


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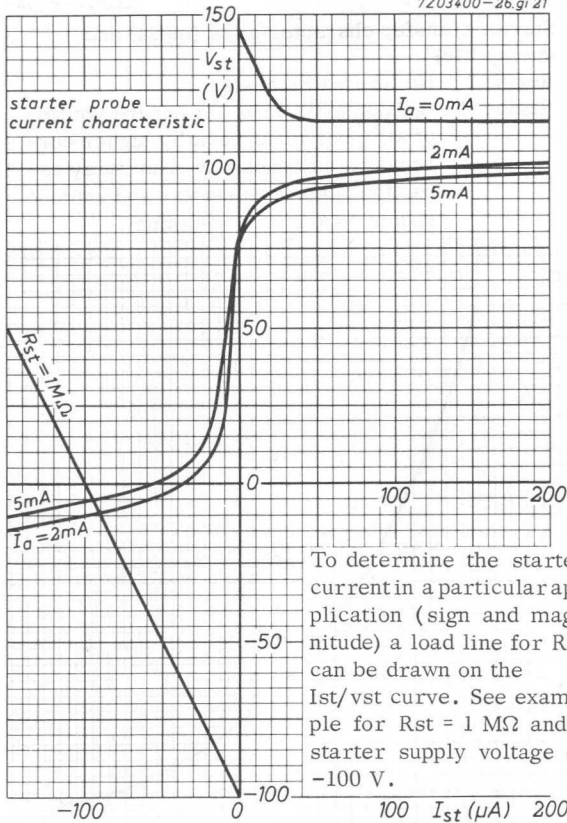


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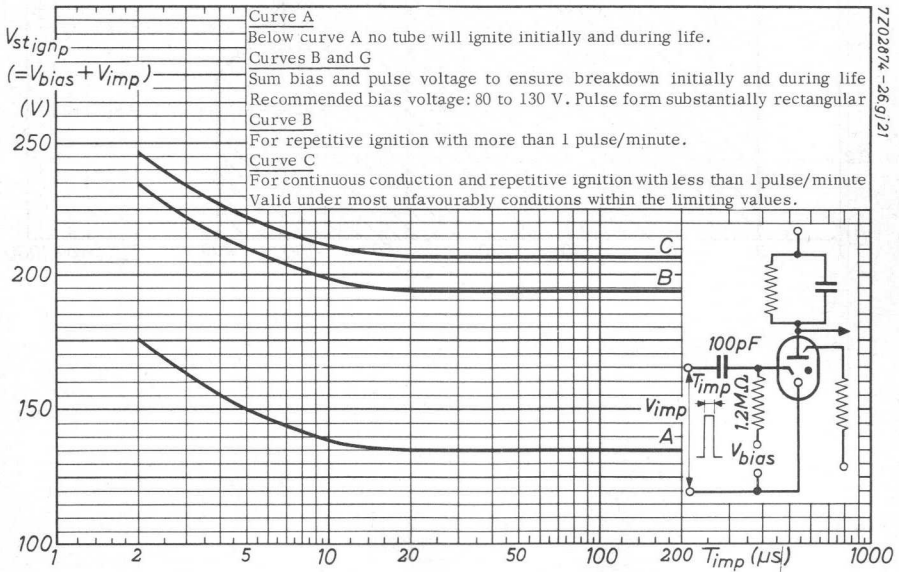
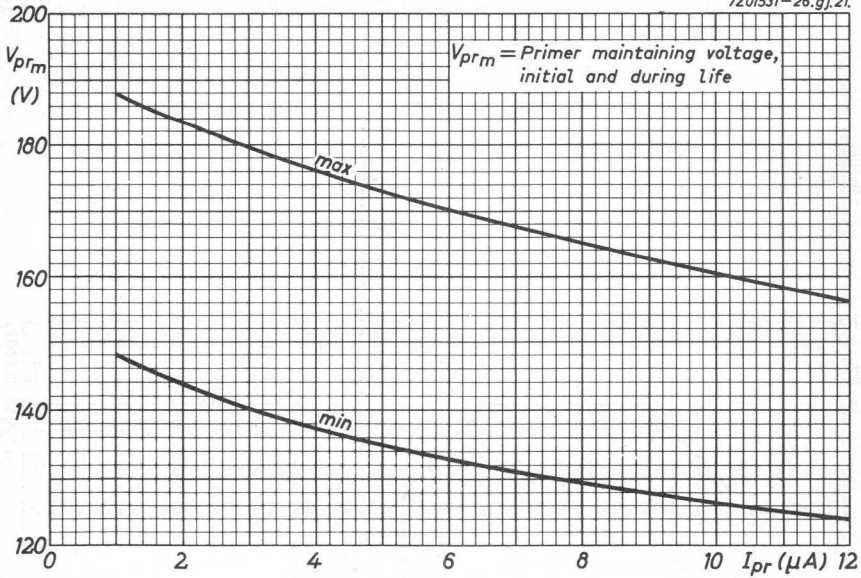


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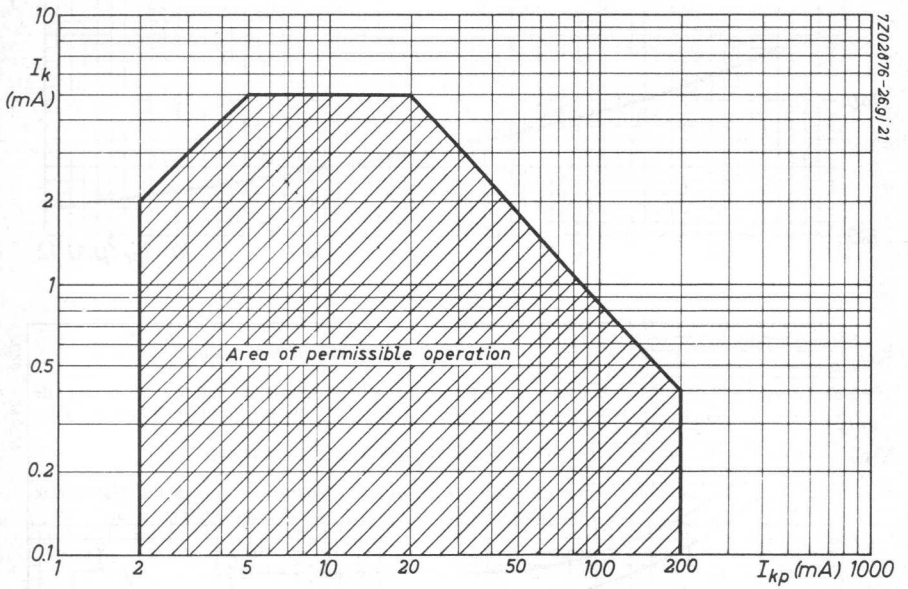


To determine the starter current in a particular application (sign and magnitude) a load line for  $R_{st}$  can be drawn on the  $I_{st}/v_{st}$  curve. See example for  $R_{st} = 1 M\Omega$  and a starter supply voltage of  $-100 V$ .

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## TRIGGER TUBE

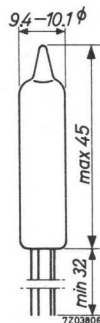
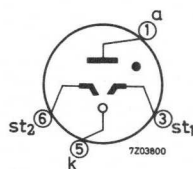
Cold cathode trigger tube with two starters designed for operation with positive voltages on anode and starters. The tube is intended for use in counting circuits, switching circuits and speech passing circuits in telephone exchanges. When conducting, the tube has a low noise level and a low impedance to speech frequencies.

## QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Anode supply voltage	$V_{ba}$	150 V
Maintaining voltage	$V_m$	60 V
Cathode current,		
continuous	$I_k$	7 mA
intermittent	$I_k$	9 mA
Starter ignition voltage (either starter)	$V_{st\ ign}$	80 V
Starter transfer current (either starter)	$I_{st}$	40 $\mu A$

## DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm



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## TRIGGER TUBE

Gas-filled cold cathode trigger tube with electrical priming, and stable ignition characteristics, designed to be ignited only with positive voltages on the anode and starter intended for voltage control, sensitive relay applications, timers.

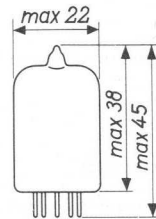
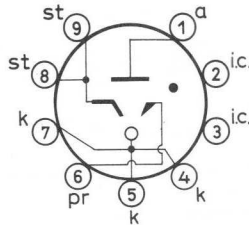
### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Anode supply voltage	$V_{ba}$	240 V
Anode maintaining voltage	$V_m$	105 V
Max. average cathode current	$I_k$	40 mA
Starter to cathode ignition voltage	$V_{st \text{ ign}}$	132 V
Starter transfer requirements		
capacitance	$C_{st}$	500 pF
current	$I_{st}$	45 $\mu$ A

### DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm

Base: Noval



### CHARACTERISTICS AND RANGE VALUES FOR EQUIPMENT DESIGN

(Initial and during life)

All values stated assume the presence of a priming discharge unless otherwise stated. This priming discharge can be established as follows:

Primer supply voltage	7)	$V_{bpr}$	max. 290 V min. 150 V
Recommended primer resistor	8)	$R_{pr}$	10 M $\Omega$
Primer to cathode maintaining voltage		$V_{mpr}$	100 V
Primer current		$I_{pr}$	2 to 25 $\mu$ A

7)8) See page 5.

## A. STAND-BY (Main gap non-conducting)

Anode voltage, <sup>1)</sup>

positive at $I_{kav} < 25 \text{ mA}$ , $I_{kp} < 100 \text{ mA}$ <sup>2)</sup>	$V_a$	max. 290 V
at $I_k > 25 \text{ mA}$ and/or $I_{kp} > 100 \text{ mA}$ <sup>3)</sup>	$V_a$	max. 250 V
negative	$-V_a$	max. 90 V

Starter to cathode voltage,

positive	$V_{st}$	max. 125 V
negative	$-V_{st}$	max. 75 V

Anode to starter voltage,

positive	$V_{a \text{ st}}$	max. 290 V
negative	$-V_{a \text{ st}}$	max. 140 V

Starter pre-ignition current, <sup>6)</sup>

at $I_{pr} = 2 \text{ to } 25 \mu\text{A}$	$I_{st}$	$4 \times 10^{-8} \text{ A}$
at $I_{pr} = \quad \quad 0 \mu\text{A}$	$I_{st}$	$5 \times 10^{-10} \text{ A}$

## B. IGNITION

Anode voltage  $V_a$  min. 170 V

Starter to cathode ignition voltage ( $V_a = 280 \text{ V}$ )

Initial <sup>5)</sup>  $V_{st \text{ ign}}$  max. 137 V  
min. 128 V

Max. variation during life  $\Delta V_{st \text{ ign}}$  max.  $\pm 2 \%$

Max. decrease of starter-to-cathode ignition voltage ( $V_a$  changed from 170 to 290 V)  $\Delta V_{st \text{ ign}}$  max. 1.5 V

Starter to cathode maintaining voltage  $V_{st \text{ m}}$  95 V

Starter series resistance ( $I_{pr} = 2 \text{ to } 25 \mu\text{A}$ )  $R_{st}$  max. 100  $M\Omega$   
( $I_{pr} = \quad \quad 0 \mu\text{A}$ )  $R_{st}$  max. 1000  $M\Omega$

<sup>1)2)3)5)6)</sup> See page 5.

## B. IGNITION (continued)

Transfer requirements

Starter-to-cathode capacitance for transfer  
(limiting resistor = 0 to 2.2 k $\Omega$ )<sup>9)</sup>

$V_a = 170$  V  $C_{st}$  min. 2700 pF

$V_a = 200$  V  $C_{st}$  min. 1000 pF

$V_a = 240$  V  $C_{st}$  min. 500 pF

Starter limiting resistor<sup>9)</sup>

$C_{st} < 4700$  pF  $R_{st}$  min. 0  $\Omega$

$C_{st} = 4700$  to 15000 pF  $R_{st}$  min. 2.2 k $\Omega$

$C_{st} > 15000$  pF  $R_{st}$  min. 5.6 k $\Omega$

Starter current required for transfer

$V_a = 240$  V  $I_{st}$  min. 25  $\mu$ A

$V_a = 170$  V  $I_{st}$  min. 500  $\mu$ A

Ignition delay ( $I_{pr} = 2$  to 25  $\mu$ A;  $V_{st} = V_{st\ ign} + 0.5$  V) 2 ms  
(see curve) ( $I_{pr} = 0$   $\mu$ A;  $V_{st} = V_{st\ ign} + 4$  V) 5 s

## C. MAIN GAP CONDUCTING

Anode maintaining voltage ( $I_k = 10$  mA)<sup>4)</sup> and page 7  $V_m$  105 V

Cathode current,

average ( $T_{av} = 15$  s)  $I_k$  max. 25 mA

( $T_{av} = 20$  ms)  $I_k$  max. 40 mA

peak (50 Hz duty or repetitive operation)  $I_{kp}$  max. 200 mA

(max. duration = 1 ms)  $I_{kp}$  max. 1 A

average during any conduction period  $I_k$  min. 8 mA

Starter-to-cathode maintaining voltage  $V_{m\ st}$  95 V

Starter current,

positive peak  $I_{stp}$  8 mA

negative<sup>10)</sup>  $I_{st}$  0 mA

<sup>4)9)10)</sup> See page 5.

## D. EXTINCTION

Components for self-extinguishing circuits ( $V_{ba} = 290 \text{ V}$ )

$$C_{a-k} = \text{min. } 2700 \text{ pF} \quad (R_{lim} = 1 \text{ k}\Omega)$$

$$C_{st-k} = \text{min. } 500 \text{ pF}$$

$$R_a = \text{min. } 1 \text{ M}\Omega$$

$$R_{st} = \text{min. } 1 \text{ M}\Omega$$

Recovery time (at $I_{kp} = 8 \text{ to } 20 \text{ mA}$ )	3.5 ms
(at $I_{kp} = 20 \text{ to } 100 \text{ mA}$ )	12 ms

## LIMITING VALUES (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode voltage,

positive	$V_a$	max. 290 V
negative ( $I_{st} = 0 \text{ mA}$ )	$-V_a$	max. 90 V

Cathode current,

average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 15 \text{ s}$ )	$I_k$	max. 25 mA
( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 20 \text{ ms}$ )	$I_k$	max. 40 mA
peak (50 Hz duty or repetitive operation)	$I_{kp}$	max. 200 mA
(max. duration = 1 ms)	$I_{kp}$	max. 1 A

Average cathode current during any conduction period

$I_k$	min. 8 mA
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Negative starter-to-cathode voltage

( $I_k = I_{st} = 0 \text{ mA}$ )	$-V_{st}$	max. 75 V
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Peak starter current,

positive	$I_{stp}$	max. 8 mA
negative ( $I_k = 0 \text{ mA}$ <sup>10)</sup> )	$-I_{stp}$	max. 0 mA

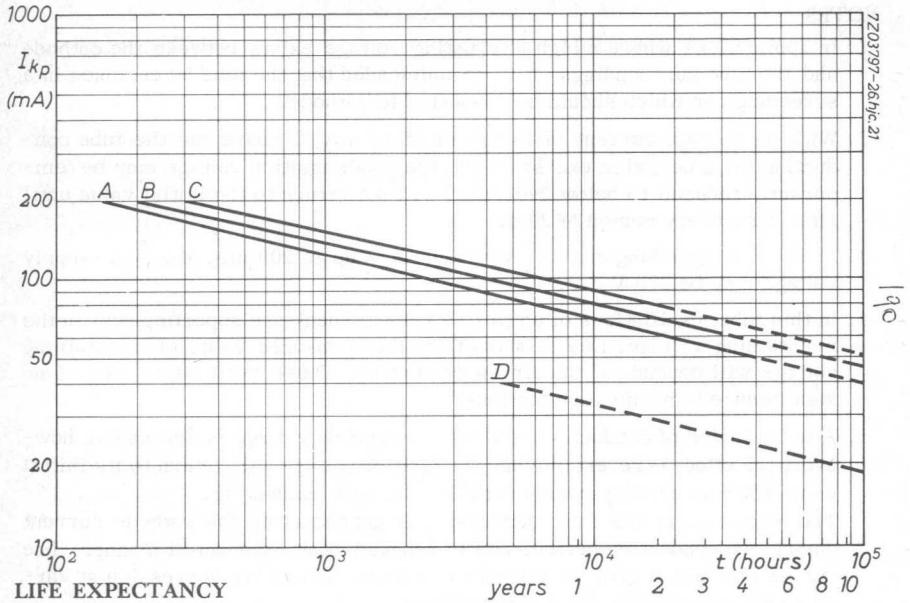
Anode-to-starter voltage, ( $I_k = 0 \text{ mA}$ )

anode positive	$V_{a-st}$	max. 290 V
anode negative	$-V_{a-st}$	max. 140 V

<sup>10)</sup> See page 5.

## NOTES

1. In applications where a high alternating voltage exists between the cathode and the tube surroundings, it is recommended that the tube be enclosed in a screening can which should be connected to cathode.
2. With an average current of the order of 15 mA or above and the tube conducting for a period in excess of 5 s, the anode ignition voltage may be temporarily reduced to below 290 V and will not return to the initial value until after a recovery period of 20 s.
3. In self-extinguishing circuits with currents up to 200 mA, the max. supply voltage may be 290 V d.c.
4. In this tube, oscillations of up to 10 V peak-to-peak are superimposed on the maintaining voltage. Due to this effect the measured value of maintaining voltage will depend on the circuit conditions. These oscillations are of no significance in normal applications.
5. After a period of conduction, the starter ignition voltage is depressed; however, the effect is reversible and the ignition voltage will return to its initial value after a recovery period with the tube non-conducting.  
The magnitude of the final depression is dependent on the cathode current during the conduction period, and is reached in an exponential manner. The curves on sheet 8 give the formation and recovery of the depression at various cathode currents for a nominal tube.  
In a repetitive circuit where the non-conducting period is short compared with the recovery time constant (e.g. 50 Hz operation), the depression can be obtained from the curve by using a direct current equal to the mean current passing through the tube.
6. In applications where pre-ignition current  $4 \times 10^{-8}$  A is required the primer should be left disconnected. In this case, the starter-to-cathode gap ionisation time may be of the order of seconds.
7. A period of the order of several seconds may elapse between the application of supply voltage to the primer and the establishment of a priming discharge.
8. The resistor between the primer and the supply voltage must be soldered directly to pin 6 of the tube socket. Stray circuit capacitance at the primer must be kept to less than 4 pF.
9. This is the sum of any resistors in the capacitance discharge circuit and may include a cathode resistor.
10. Negative starter current will flow during anode-to-cathode conduction in any circuit in which the starter is returned via a resistor to a potential with respect to cathode which is less than the starter-to-cathode maintaining voltage. It is preferable that the circuit should be designed to avoid this condition by keeping the starter supply voltage greater than the starter maintaining voltage. In those applications where this cannot be achieved, the maximum anode supply voltage must be reduced from 290 to 250 V and the magnitude of the negative starter current must be less than 1% of the cathode current.



The curves show the life expectancy when the tube is run continuously at room temperature.

During periods of non-operation at room temperature the characteristics of the tube remain substantially constant. The total life expectancy in any given application is the sum of the non-operating periods and the operating life obtained from the curve.

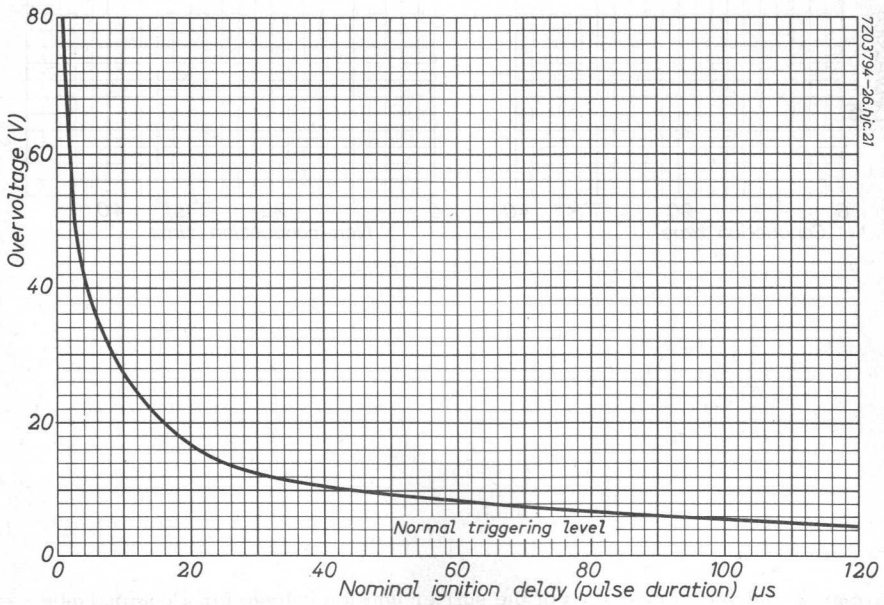
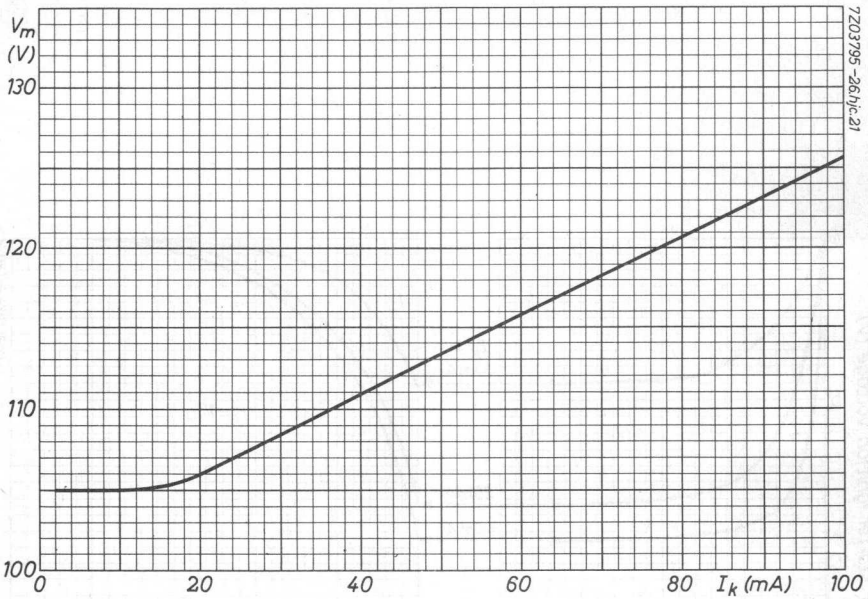
For a given value of cathode current, it is estimated that 80% of all tubes will remain within the end points concerned for longer than the time shown.

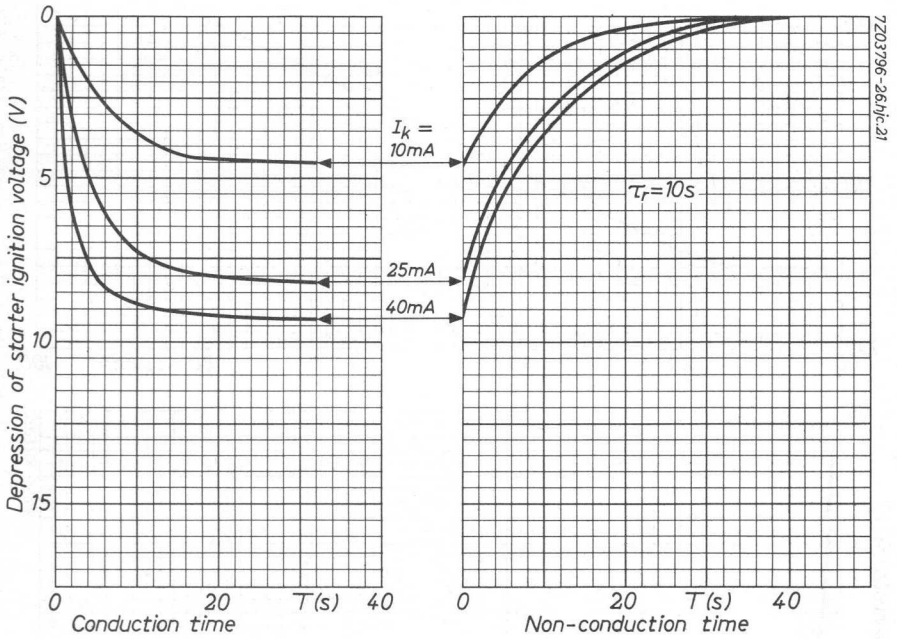
The time during which the starter ignition voltage will remain within  $\pm 2\%$  of its original value, when the tube is operating continuously at room temperature from a half-wave rectified supply, is dependent on the peak cathode current passed. Curve A shows the relationship between the peak current and the expected time for which the starter ignition voltage will remain within these limits. After this time the starter ignition voltage will fall steadily and the times at which it can be expected to have fallen by 4 and 8% are shown by lines B and C respectively.

Curve B shows the estimated length of time for which the change of starter ignition voltage can be expected to remain within  $\pm 2\%$  when passing direct current at room temperature.

In self-extinguishing circuits with  $I_{kp} < 200$  mA and  $I_k < 0.8$  mA, the change of starter ignition voltage can be expected to remain within  $\pm 2\%$  for more than 30 000 hours.







Formation and recovery curves of the starter ignition voltage for a nominal tube

## SWITCHING DIODE

Cold cathode gas-filled subminiature switching diode with a constant difference between ignition- and maintaining voltage intended for use as relaxation oscillator tube e.g. in electronic musical instruments.

This tube is shock and vibration resistant.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

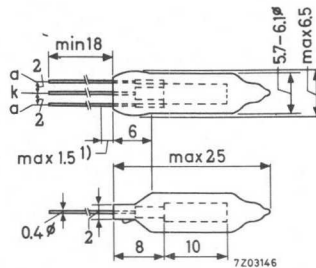
Ignition voltage	$V_{ign} = 128 \text{ V}$
Difference between ignition and maintaining voltage	$= 35 \text{ V}$

### OPERATING PRINCIPLE

The tube contains two electrodes : a rod shaped cathode and a concentric anode. In a suitable circuit with a series resistor and a parallel capacitor a sawtooth voltage becomes available.

### DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Colour code type indication on pinch : brown dot



<sup>1)</sup> This part of the leads is not tinned.

### MOUNTING

The tube may be soldered directly into the circuit but heat conducted to the glass to metal seals should be kept to a minimum by the use of a thermal shunt. The leads may be dip-soldered to a minimum of 5 mm from the seals at a solder temperature of 240 °C during max. 10 s.

Care should be taken not to bend the leads nearer than 1.5 mm from the seals.

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Negative anode peak voltage	$-V_{ap}$	= max. 100 V
Bulb temperature	t <sub>bulb</sub>	= min. -55 °C
		= max. +70 °C



## SWITCHING AND LIGHT DIODE

Cold cathode neon filled subminiature switching and light diode with a large and stable difference between ignition and maintaining voltage intended for low speed switching and counting e.g. in combination with CdS photo sensitive devices. The tube is shock and vibration resistant.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Ignition voltage	$V_{\text{ign}}$	170 V
Maintaining voltage	$V_{\text{m}}$	109 V
Cathode current	$I_{\text{k}}$	3.5 mA

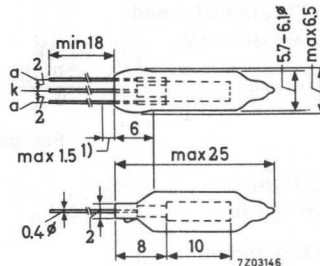
### OPERATING PRINCIPLE

The diode contains a rod shaped molybdenum cathode and a concentric gauze anode. By applying a suitable voltage between the electrodes, a glow discharge occurs and its red light is available outside the tube.

### DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm

Colour type indication on pinch: red dot.



### MOUNTING

The tube may be soldered directly into the circuit but heat conducted to the glass to metal seals should be kept to a minimum by the use of a thermal shunt. The leads may be dip-soldered to a minimum of 5 mm from the seals at a solder temperature of 240 °C during max. 10 s. Care should be taken not to bend the leads nearer than 1.5 mm from the seals.

1) This part of the leads is not tinned.

**CHARACTERISTIC RANGE VALUES FOR EQUIPMENT DESIGN**

(Valid over the first 15000 hours operation within the preferred current range and at  $t_{amb} = \text{room}$ . The electrical characteristics are independent of ambient illumination).

Non conduction

Anode voltage below which ignition will not occur in any tube

$$V_{ign \text{ min}} = 163 \text{ V}$$

Insulation resistance

$$r_{isol} > 300 \text{ M}\Omega$$

Ignition

Anode voltage to ensure ignition

$$V_{ign \text{ max}} = 178 \text{ V}$$

Ignition delay

See page A and B

Typical max. individual variation of ignition voltage during life

$$\Delta V_{ign} < 5 \text{ V}$$

Typical temperature coefficient of ignition voltage, averaged over the range  $-55 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  to  $+70 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

$$\frac{\Delta V_{ign}}{\Delta t_{bulb}} < \pm 15 \text{ mV}/^\circ\text{C}$$

Conduction

Cathode current, average during any conduction period

$$I_k > 2.2 \text{ mA}$$

average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 1 \text{ s}$ )

$$I_k < 4.5 \text{ mA}$$

peak (See "Reliability and life expectancy")

$$I_{kp} < 50 \text{ mA}$$

Typical rise in bulb temperature

$$\frac{\Delta t_{bulb}}{\Delta I_k} = 10 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}/\text{mA}$$

Maintaining voltage

See page A

Typical max. individual variation of maintaining voltage during life

$$\Delta V_m < \begin{matrix} +2 \\ -4 \end{matrix} \text{ V}$$

Typical max. temperature coefficient of maintaining voltage, averaged over the range  $-55 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  to  $+70 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

$$\frac{\Delta V_m}{\Delta t_{bulb}} < \pm 15 \text{ mV}/^\circ\text{C}$$

Light intensity <sup>1)2)</sup>

$$E > 20 \text{ lux}/\text{mA}$$

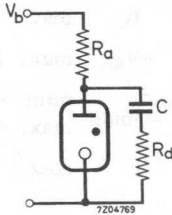
Typical variation of light intensity

$$\Delta E < -3 \text{ } \%/1000 \text{ h}$$

<sup>1)2)</sup> See page 3

Extinction

Typical min. RC components to ensure self extinction at  $V_b = 250$  V for different values of current limiting resistance  $R_d$ .



$R_d$	0	1	10	47	100	$k\Omega$
$R_a$	1	1	1.5	2	3	$M\Omega$
C	5	22	22	22	22	nF

RELIABILITY AND LIFE EXPECTANCY

Reliability has been assessed in a life test programme totalling  $5 \cdot 10^6$  tube hours on 400 tubes. The longest test period being 15000 hours on 100 tubes. A total of 7 failures result in a failure rate of better than 0.15% per 1000 h. This failure rate is not expected to increase over the next period of 15000 h. Life expectancy: 30000 operating hours within the preferred current range

or  
 $2.4 \times 10^6$  ignitions discharging a capacitor of max.  $16 \mu F$  with suitable series impedance to limit the peak current to max. 50 mA.

- 1) Light intensity measured over an angle of  $70^\circ$  at a distance of 3.6 mm from the tube axis opposite the anode cylinder.
- 2) Measured with a Standard Weston Cell adopted to eye sensitivity.  
 Because the light emission of the neon discharge is mainly contained in the red region, the illumination resistance of a CdS cell will be 1.5 to 2 times lower than in case of irradiation by a  $2700^\circ K$  incandescent light source. The exact conversion factor depends on the type of CdS cell used.

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Cathode current, average for continuous conduction	$I_k$	min. 2.2 mA	<sup>1)</sup>
average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 1 \text{ s}$ )	$I_k$	max. 4.5 mA	<sup>1)</sup>
peak	$I_{kp}$	max. 50 mA	
Anode voltage, negative peak	$-V_{ap}$	max. 200 V	
Bulb temperature	$t_{bulb}$	min. -55 °C	
		max. +70 °C	
Altitude	$h$	max. 24 km	

**SHOCK AND VIBRATION RESISTANCE**

These conditions are solely used to assess the mechanical quality of the tube. The tube must not be continuously operated under these conditions.

Shock resistance 500 g

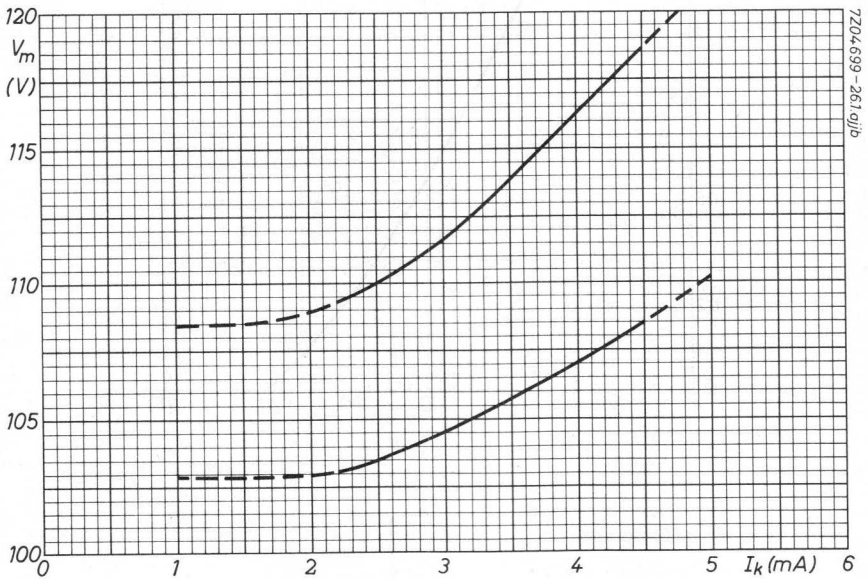
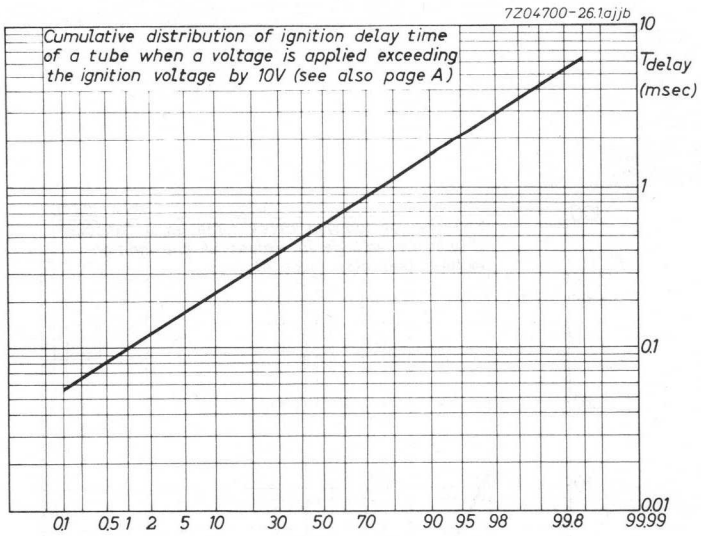
Forces as applied by the NRL impact machine for electronic devices caused by 5 blows of the hammer lifted over an angle of 30° in each of 4 positions of the tube.

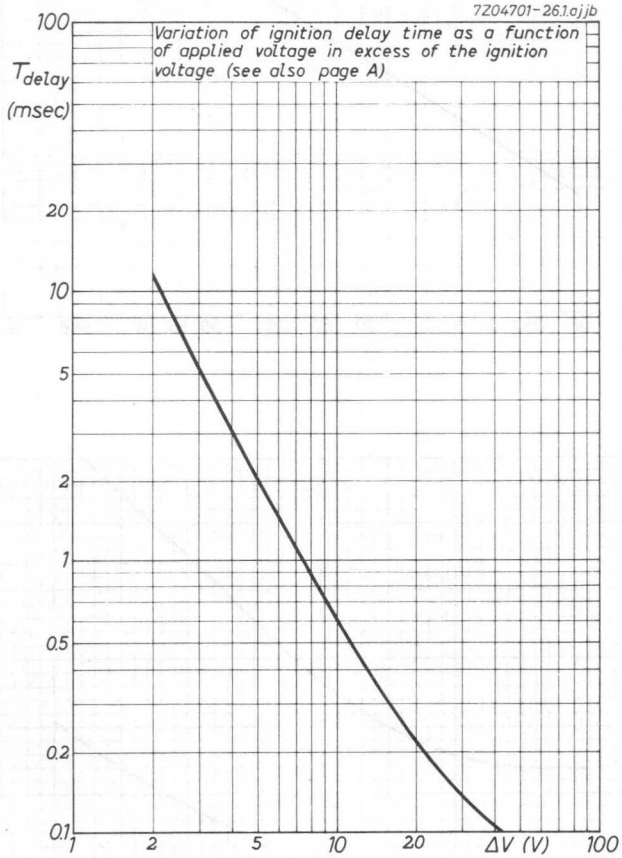
Vibration resistance 2.5 g(peak)

Vibrational forces for a period of 32 hours at a frequency of 50 Hz in each of 3 directions.

<sup>1)</sup> Current excursions down to 1 mA and up to 5 mA are permitted under conditions of e.g. extreme supply voltage variations. The excursion times should preferably be as short as possible but never exceed 24 hours.







## GAS FILLED INDICATOR DIODE

Shock and vibration resistant cold-cathode gas-filled subminiature diode with visible glow-discharge for read-out purposes.

The tube contains two electrodes, a rod shaped molybdenum cathode and a concentric gauze anode.

### APPLICATION

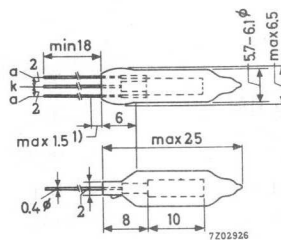
Indicator in low voltage transistor circuits. The diode can be used in combination with CdS photoconductive cells and it can be controlled by voltage signals down to 3 V.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Ignition voltage	$V_{\text{ign}} = 90 \text{ V}$
Extinction voltage	$V_{\text{ext}} > 83.5 \text{ V}$
Cathode current	$I_k = 1 \text{ mA}$
Light intensity at $I_k = 1 \text{ mA}$	$E = 60 \text{ lux}$

### MECHANICAL DATA

Type indication on pinch: yellow dot.



Dimensions in mm

### MOUNTING

The tube may be soldered directly into the circuit, but heat conducted to the glass-to-metal seals should be kept to a minimum by the use of a thermal shunt. The leads may be dip-soldered to a minimum of 5 mm from the glass-to-metal seals at a solder temperature of 240 °C during max. 10 seconds.

If the tube is held in its position by the leads only, the connection of both anode leads is recommended.

Care should be taken not to bend the leads nearer than 1.5 mm from the seals.

<sup>1)</sup> Not tinned

**SHOCK AND VIBRATION RESISTANCE**

These conditions are solely used to assess the mechanical quality of the tube. The tube must not be continuously operated under these conditions.

Shock resistance 500 g

Forces as applied by the NRL impact machine for electronic devices caused by 5 blows of the hammer lifted over an angle of 30° in each of 4 positions of the tube.

Vibration resistance 2.5 g (peak)

Vibrational forces for a period of 32 hours at a frequency of 50 Hz in each of 3 directions.

**CHARACTERISTICS**

Valid over 15000 operating hours within the preferred current range and at room temperature unless otherwise stated.

The electrical characteristics are independent of ambient illumination.

Non conduction

Anode voltage below which ignition will not occur in any tube	$V_{ign\ min.}$	=	88 V
Insulation resistance	$r_{isol}$	>	300 MΩ

Ignition

Ignition voltage, upper limit	$V_{ign\ max.}$	=	93 V	1)
individual variation during life	$\Delta V_{ign}$	<	2.5 V	
Ignition delay at $V_{ba} = 93\ V$	$T_{delay}$	±	0.05 s	2)
Temperature coefficient of ignition voltage	$\frac{\Delta V_{ign}}{\Delta t_{bulb}}$	<	-15 mV/°C	3)
Reignition voltage in case of full wave rectified a. c. supply	$V_{reign}$	<	101 V	4)
		>	96.5 V	4)

- 1) The ignition and extinction voltage depression (hysteresis) is max. 0.75 V per mA prior current measured 50 ms after cessation of conduction.
- 2) Due to the statistical nature of ignition delay values of delay time > 1 s may occasionally occur.
- 3) Characteristic range value for equipment design.
- 4) These values apply to 220 V (+10 %, -15 %), 50 Hz to 60 Hz full-wave rectified unsmoothed supply and assume conduction in the course of the preceding half cycle, so that residual ionization eliminates delay of the following ignition.

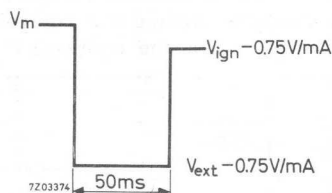
**CHARACTERISTICS** (continued)

Conduction

Cathode current,				
preferred range	$I_k$	=	0.4 to 2 mA	5)
peak	$I_{kp}$	=	3 mA	
Maintaining voltage	$V_m$	<	$86 V + 4.25 V/mA$	6)
		>	$83 V + 2.5 V/mA$	7)
Individual variation during life	$\Delta V_m$	<	1.5 V	
Temperature coefficient of maintaining voltage	$\frac{\Delta V_m}{\Delta t_{bulb}}$	<	-15 mV/°C	3)
Rise in bulb temperature	$\frac{\Delta t_{bulb}}{\Delta I_k}$	=	10 °C/mA	
Light intensity,	$E$	>	30 lux/mA	8) 9)
individual minimum, measured over an angle of 70° averaged over the full circumference of the tube	$E_{av}$	>	60 lux/mA	8) 9)

Extinction

Extinction voltage	$V_{ext}$	>	83.5 V	1)
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See note 1) page 2

- 5) Current excursions during ignition and extinction are not taken into account.
- 6) Valid within the range 0.1 mA to 3 mA.
- 7) Valid within the range 0.2 mA to 3 mA. Between 0.05 mA and 0.2 mA  $V_{m \text{ min.}} = V_{ext} = 83.5 V$ .
- 8) Light intensity at a distance of 3.6 mm from the tube axis opposite the anode cylinder, measured with a standard Weston cell adopted to eye sensitivity. Because the emission of the neon discharge is mainly contained in the red region the illumination resistance of a CdS cell will be 1.5 to 2 times lower than in case of irradiation by a 2700 °K incandescent light source. The exact conversion factor depends on the type of CdS cell used.
- 9) At least 90% of the tubes will meet the figure stated.

## RELIABILITY AND LIFE EXPECTANCY

The electrical characteristics have been assessed in a life test programme, totalling  $3.0 \times 10^6$  tube hours with no failures, denoting a failure rate of better than 0.1 % per 1000 hours. The maximum test period was 19000 hours on 22 tubes. This failure rate is not expected to increase over the first 25000 hours of continuous operation within the preferred current range.

### LIMITING VALUES (Absolute maximum rating system)

Cathode current, averaging time = 5 s	$I_k$	= max.	2.5 mA
Cathode current during conduction	$I_k$	= min.	0.1 mA <sup>1)</sup>
Cathode current, peak	$I_{kp}$	= max.	3 mA
Anode voltage, negative peak	$-V_{ap}$	= max.	70 V
Bulb temperature	$t_{bulb}$	= min.	-55 °C
		= max.	70 °C + 10 °C/mA
Altitude	$h$	= max.	24 km

## READ-OUT CIRCUIT BISTABLE MULTIVIBRATORS

### Principle of operation

The figures 1 and 2 show equivalent circuits for bistable multivibrators, equipped with p-n-p- and n-p-n transistors respectively, to which a read-out circuit has been added. The transistors are replaced by ideal switches, the voltage source  $V_T$  represents the available voltage that controls the diodes 2) and  $R_T$  is the output resistance as measured at the collector of the cut-off transistor.

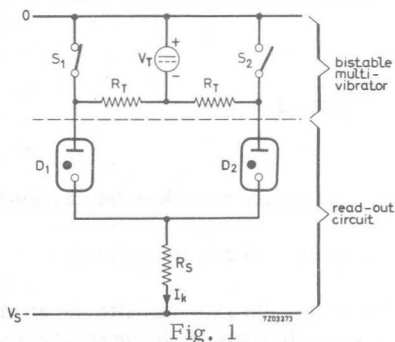


Fig. 1

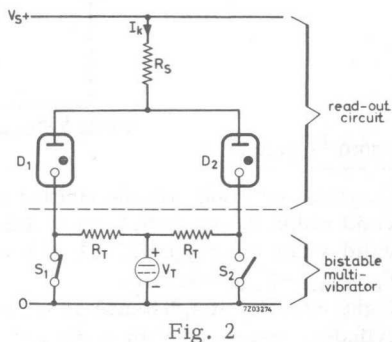


Fig. 2

- 1) Current excursions down to 50  $\mu$ A with a duration  $< 1$  s are permitted.
- 2)  $V_T = V_{c.o.} - V_{sat}$  (V) in which
  - $V_{c.o.}$  = voltage between collector of the cut-off transistor and the common terminal (absolute value).
  - $V_{sat}$  = voltage across the bottomed transistor (absolute value).

### READ-OUT CIRCUIT BISTABLE MULTIVIBRATORS (continued)

Correct read-out is obtained when only the diode corresponding to the bottomed transistor conducts. For this the following conditions must be met: <sup>1)</sup>

- (I) Ignition of the correct diode, corresponding to the bottomed transistor, when the other diode is conducting.

Thus:  $V_{m \text{ min.}} + I_k R_T + V_T > V_{\text{ign max.}}$ ,

resulting in  $I_k > \frac{10 - V_T}{R_T + 2.5} \frac{(V)}{(k\Omega)}$  for  $I_k > 0.2 \text{ mA}$

- (II) Extinction of the diode corresponding to the cut-off transistor, when the correct diode is conducting.

Thus:  $V_{m \text{ max.}} - V_T < V_{\text{ext min.}}$ ,

resulting in  $I_k < \frac{V_T - 2.5}{5} \frac{(V)}{(k\Omega)}$  for  $I_k > 0.1 \text{ mA}$

- (III) Non-ignition of the diode corresponding to the cut-off transistor when the correct diode is conducting.

Thus:  $V_{m \text{ max.}} - V_T < V_{\text{ign min.}}$ ,

resulting in  $I_k < \frac{V_T + 2}{5} \frac{(V)}{(k\Omega)}$  for  $I_k > 0.1 \text{ mA}$

These conditions are shown graphically on page A below.

#### Condensed instructions for designing the read-out circuit. 2)

The following directives are based on the requirement that correct read-out shall be ensured under worst case conditions, after the instant that the bistable circuit has reached its final stationary state. It is irrelevant whether the read-out diodes follow the changes of state of the multivibrator during its dynamic operation or not.

A choice can be made between the following modes of operating the diodes, namely by means of:

- (A) a constant direct current  
 (B) a constant direct current on which a pulse is superimposed prior to reading-out. Three kinds of pulses are possible:  
 a) a positive going pulse;  
 b) a negative going pulse;  
 c) a positive going pulse followed by a negative going one  
 (C) an unsmoothed current supplied by a full wave rectifier.

<sup>1)</sup> It is assumed that the supply voltage  $V_S$  exceeds the ignition voltage of the gas diodes, so that ignition of at least one diode is ensured; the most adverse situation being that only the wrong diode conducts.

<sup>2)</sup> For a detailed analysis of the design procedure please apply to the manufacturer.

READ-OUT CIRCUIT BISTABLE MULTIVIBRATORS (continued)

In fig. 3, schematically representing these waveforms, the required minimum duration of the superimposed pulses is indicated;  $t_s$  denotes the instant at which the bistable circuit reaches its final state.

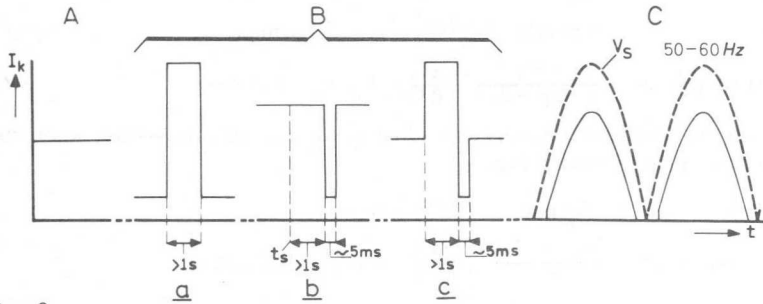


Fig. 3

The conditions to be obeyed by the current  $I_k$  are specified in the table below :

Mode of operation	Values of $I_k$		$V_T$
	lower limit	upper limit	
(A) constant direct current	(I)	(II)	$> 5 \text{ V}$
(B) direct current with superimposed:			
(a) positive going pulses	-	(II)	$> 4.5 \text{ V}$
{ steady state current { pulse current	(I)	-	
(b) negative going pulses	(I)	(III)	$> 3 \text{ V}$
{ steady state current { pulse current	-	(II)	
(c) positive and negative going pulses	-	(III)	$> 3 \text{ V}$
{ steady state current { positive going pulse	(I)	-	
{ negative going pulse	-	(II)	
(C) rectified alternating current, peak value of $I_k$	(I)	(III)	$> 4.5 \text{ V}^1$

This table should be read in conjunction with the specified recommended operating conditions and limiting values.

<sup>1</sup>) Since both diodes are extinguished at the end of each half cycle of the supply voltage, condition (II) is not required, and is replaced by the condition that only the correct diode will reignite. The lower limit is thus given by the spread of the reignition voltage (e.i. 4.5 V).



## READ-OUT CIRCUIT BISTABLE MULTIVIBRATORS (continued)

The minimum available value of  $V_T$  being known, the points of intersection with the curves I, II and III on page 8, and hence the limits of  $I_k$  ( $I_{kI}$ ,  $I_{kII}$  and  $I_{kIII}$ ) can be determined. This having been done, the required values of  $V_{Smin}$  and  $R_S$  can be evaluated from the following expressions: <sup>1)</sup>

$$\frac{V_{Smin} - V_{ign\ max}}{R_{Smax}} = I_{kI} \quad (1)$$

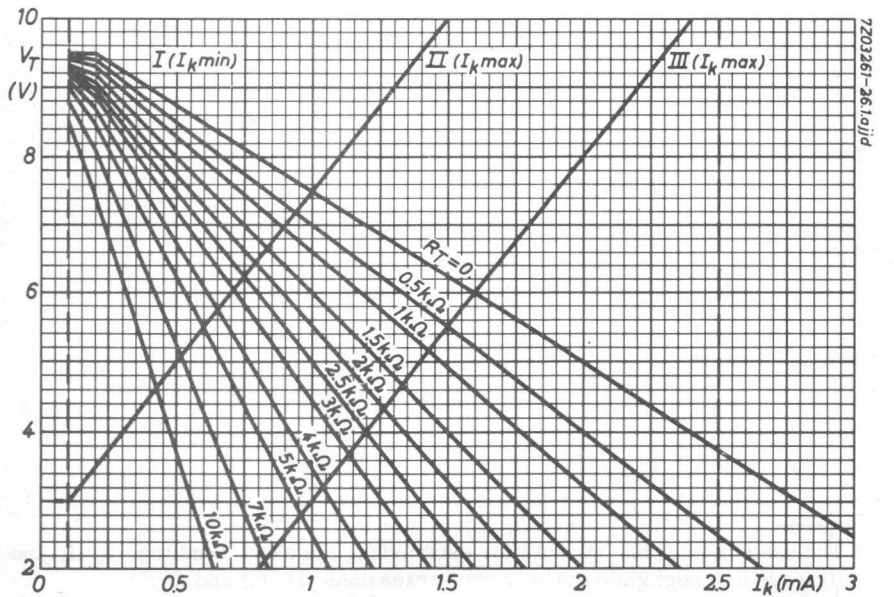
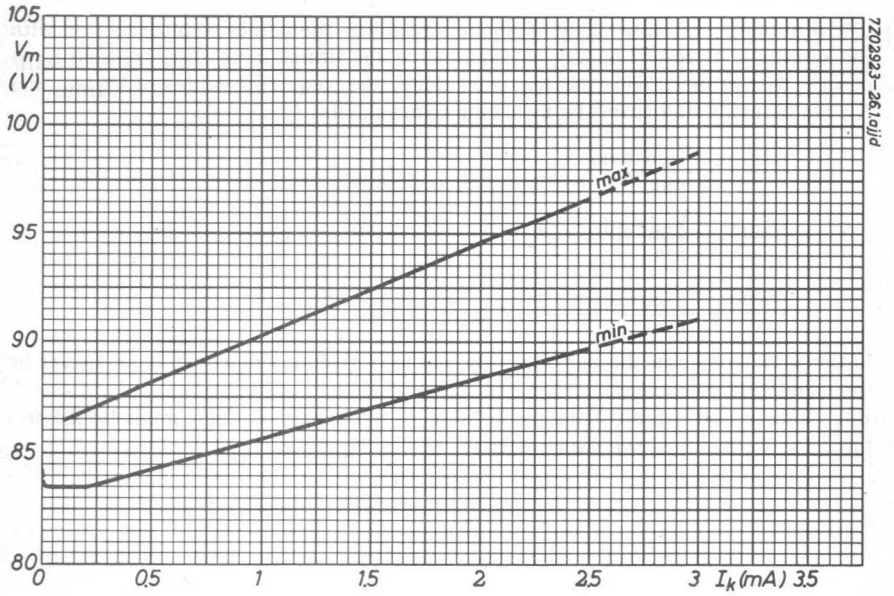
$$\frac{V_{Smax} - V_{ext\ min} - V_T}{R_{Smin}} = I_{kII} \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{V_{Smax} - V_{ign\ min} - V_T}{R_{Smin}} = I_{kIII} \quad (3)$$

In these expressions the suffices min and max denote the worst case limits of the quantities concerned.

For mode of operation (C) the peak value of the supply voltage must be substituted for  $V_S$  in the above expressions.

<sup>1)</sup> The use of equivalent circuits for establishing the exact conditions I, II, and III leads to a negligible error in the expressions (1), (2) and (3).



## SWITCHING DIODE

Cold cathode gas-filled subminiature diode with pure molybdenum electrodes designed for firing of silicon controlled rectifiers.

## QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Circuit see fig. 2

Ignition voltage, forward

125 V

Peak current, forward

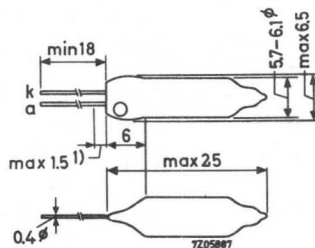
170 mA

## DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm

Type number indication on pinch: green dot

Glass dot on pinch indicates anode lead



## MOUNTING

The tube may be soldered directly into the circuit, but heat conducted to the glass-to-metal seals should be kept to a minimum by the use of a thermal shunt. The leads may be dip-soldered to a minimum of 5 mm from the glass-to-metal seals at a solder temperature of 240 °C during max. 10 seconds. Care should be taken not to bend the leads nearer than 1.5 mm from the seals.

Touching the envelope by live components should be avoided, and it is recommended to maintain a distance between components or electrostatic shields and any part of the envelope of at least some mm.

<sup>1)</sup> Not tinned.

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Peak current,

forward	$I_p$ forw	max.	300 mA
reverse	$I_p$ rev	max.	25 mA
Average current, forward + reverse ( $T_{av}$ max. 20 ms)	$I_{av}$	max.	5 mA <sup>1)</sup>
reverse	$I_{rev}$	max.	2.5 mA
Bulb temperature	$t_{bulb}$	min.	-55 °C
	$t_{bulb}$	max.	70 °C + 10 °C/mA

<sup>1)</sup> Sum of absolute values of currents.

## TRIGGER TUBE

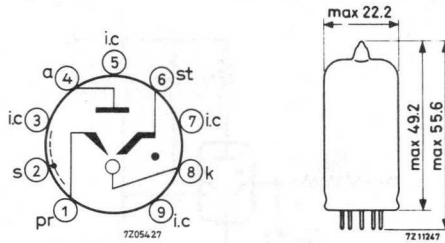
Gas filled cold cathode trigger tube with molybdenum cathode and electrical priming. The tube has been designed to be ignited with positive voltages on starter and anode only and can be fed from a.c. or d.c. anode voltages.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Anode supply voltage	a.c.	$V_{ba}$	220	V
	d.c.	$V_{ba}$	300	V
Anode maintaining voltage		$V_m$	112	V
Cathode current, max.		$I_k \text{ max.}$	40	mA
Starter to cathode ignition voltage		$V_{st-ign}$	130	V
Transfer requirements: capacitance		$C_{st}$	330	pF
	current	$I_{st}$	200	$\mu A$

### DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Base: Noval



### MOUNTING

Mounting position: any

Starter and primer resistances should be mounted directly on the corresponding socket soldering tag to avoid stray capacitances.

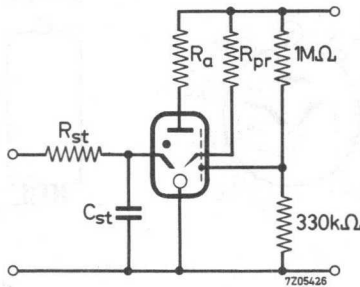
CHARACTERISTIC RANGE VALUES FOR EQUIPMENT DESIGN

The electrical characteristics assume the presence of a priming discharge. This priming discharge can be established by connecting the primer via a 10 MΩ resistor to the anode supply voltage.

A.C. OPERATION

(Anode and starter voltage in phase. When the tube is fed from an alternating supply voltage, the internal shield (s) shall be connected to a voltage divider across the anode supply voltage so that the voltage at s is 25% of the anode voltage. See fig.1)

Anode voltage	$V_a$	min. 180 V <sub>RMS</sub> max. 250 V <sub>RMS</sub>
Starter ignition voltage	$V_{st-ign}$	min. 85 V <sub>RMS</sub> max. 100 V <sub>RMS</sub>
Transfer requirements		
current	$I_{st}$	min. 200 μA
capacitance	$C_{st}$	min. 200 pF max. 500 pF
Cathode current		
average ( $T_{av}$ max. 15 s)	$I_k$	max. 25 mA
average ( $T_{av}$ max. 20 ms)	$I_k$	max. 40 mA
average during any conduction period	$I_k$	min. 10 mA



CHARACTERISTIC RANGE VALUES FOR EQUIPMENT DESIGN

(continued)

D. C. OPERATION

Anode voltage	$V_a$	min. 250 V max. 350 V
Starter ignition voltage	$V_{st-ign}$	min. 120 V max. 140 V
Transfer requirements		
current	$I_{st}$	min. 200 $\mu A$
capacitance	$C_{st}$	min. 200 pF
Cathode current		
average ( $T_{av}$ max. 15 s)	$I_k$	max. 25 mA
average during conduction	$I_k$	min. 15 mA
Maintaining voltage (at $I_a = 20$ mA)	$V_m$	min. 106 V max. 115 V

LIMITING VALUES (Absolute max. rating system)

A. C. OPERATION (Anode and starter voltage in phase)

Anode voltage	$V_a$	max. 250 $V_{RMS}$
Cathode current		
average ( $T_{av}$ max. 15 s) ( $T_{av}$ max. 20 ms)	$I_k$ $I_k$	max. 25 mA max. 40 mA
peak (f max. 60 Hz)	$I_{kp}$	max. 200 mA
average during any conduction period	$I_k$	min. 10 mA
Negative starter current	$-I_{st}$	max. 200 $\mu A$
Voltage at internal shield (in phase with anode voltage)	$V_s$ $V_s$	min. 45 $V_{RMS}$ max. 75 $V_{RMS}$
Temperature	$t_{bulb}$ $t_{bulb}$	min. -55 $^{\circ}C$ max. +70 $^{\circ}C + 2^{\circ}C/mA$

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system) (continued)

D.C. OPERATION

Anode voltage

positive  $V_a$  max. 350 V

negative  $-V_a$  max. 100 V

Cathode current

average ( $T_{av}$  max. 15 s)  $I_k$  max. 25 mA

average during conduction  $I_k$  min. 15 mA

peak  $I_{kp}$  max. 200 mA

surge ( $T_{max}$ . 1 ms)  $I_{surge}$  max. 1 A

Starter to cathode capacitor  $C_{st}$  max. 10 nF <sup>1)</sup>

Negative starter voltage  $-V_{st}$  max. 0 V

Temperature  $t_{bulb}$  min. -55 °C  
 $t_{bulb}$  max. +70 °C + 2 °C/mA

<sup>1)</sup> Higher values of starter capacitor are permitted, provided a current limiting resistor of 1 k $\Omega$  to 10 k $\Omega$  is used in series with the starter.



## TRIGGER TUBE

Ruggedized cold cathode trigger tube with pure molybdenum electrodes and very high light-output for use in e.g. shift registers for running-text displays.

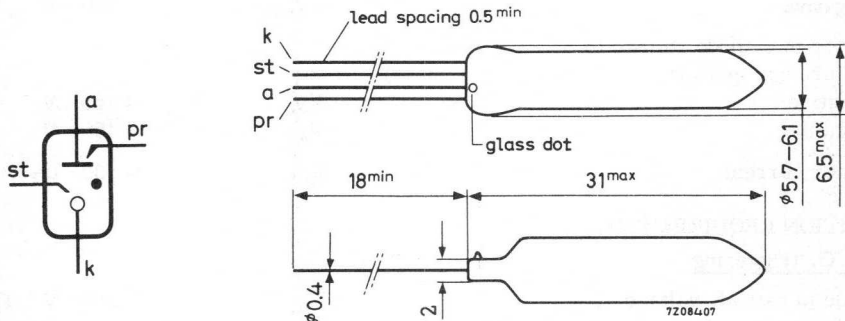
### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Anode supply voltage	$V_{b_a}$	300 V
Anode maintaining voltage	$V_{m_a}$	136 V
Cathode current	$I_k$	2 mA
Starter to cathode ignition voltage	$V_{st_{ign}}$	180 V
Light output	approx.	0.3 lm

### DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm

Glass dot indicates anode lead



### MOUNTING

1. Directly soldered connections to the leads must be at least 5 mm from glass and any bending of the leads must be at least 1.5 mm from the glass.
2. When soldering into the circuit the heat conducted to the glass should be kept to a minimum by the use of a thermal shunt on the leads.
3. The leads may be dip-soldered to minimum 5 mm from the glass at a solder temperature of  $240 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  during maximum 10 s.
4. The primer and starter circuit resistors and capacitors should be mounted close to the tube.
5. The tube should not be mounted close to conductors or components which give rise to strong electrical fields.

## CHARACTERISTIC RANGE VALUES FOR EQUIPMENT DESIGN

Valid over life and full temperature range unless otherwise stated.

The tube characteristics are independent of ambient light and assume the presence of a priming discharge.

### PRIMING CONDITIONS

Anode to primer supply voltage	$V_{ba-pr}$	> 265 V 1)
Typical max. ignition delay		0.3 s
Anode to primer maintaining voltage	$V_{m_a-pr}$	see page 5
Primer current	$I_{pr}$	7.5 to 30 $\mu A$

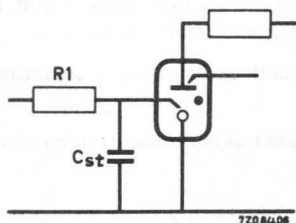
### STAND-BY (main gap non-conducting)

Anode to cathode voltage,		
positive	$V_a$	< 350 V 1)
negative	$-V_a$	< 100 V
Anode to starter voltage,		
positive	$V_{a-st}$	< 350 V 1)
negative	$-V_{a-st}$	< 100 V
Starter to cathode voltage to		
ensure non ignition,		
positive	$V_{st}$	< 165 V
negative	$-V_{st}$	< 100 V
Primer current	$I_{pr}$	< 30 $\mu A$

### IGNITION REQUIREMENTS

#### a.D.C. triggering

Anode to cathode voltage	$V_a$	> 265 V 1)
Starter to cathode voltage to		
ensure ignition	$V_{st_{ign}}$	> 200 V
Starter to cathode capacitor to		
ensure transfer	$C_{st}$	> 1 nF
Starter circuit charging resistance	$R_1$	> 0.5 M $\Omega$



b. Bias + pulse triggering

Anode to cathode voltage	$V_a$	> 265	> 220	V 1)
Starter coupling capacitor	$C_{st}$	> 1	> 1	nF
Starter to cathode voltage	$V_{st}$	> 200	> 220	V
Starter series resistance				
at $C_{st} = 1$ nF	$R_{st}$	< 3.3		k $\Omega$
at $C_{st} = 1.5$ nF	$R_{st}$	< 10		k $\Omega$
Pulse duration	$T_p$	> 40		$\mu$ s

MAIN GAP CONDUCTING

Anode maintaining voltage	$V_{m_a}$	see page 6		
Cathode current range	$I_k$	1 to 3 mA		

EXTINCTION REQUIREMENTS

Anode to cathode voltage at $I_a = 3$ mA	$V_a$	see page 7		
Anode to starter voltage at $I_a = 3$ mA	$V_{a-st}$	see page 7		

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode to cathode voltage, negative	$-V_a$	max.	100	V
Starter to cathode voltage, negative	$-V_{st}$	max.	100	V
Cathode current				
average during any conduction period	$I_k$	min.	1	mA
average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 20$ ms)	$I_k$	max.	3	mA
peak	$I_{k_p}$	max.	10	mA 2)
Envelope temperature	$t_{bulb}$	max.	70	$^{\circ}$ C
Altitude	$t_{bulb}$	min.	-55	$^{\circ}$ C
	$h$	max.	20	km

LIFE EXPECTANCY

10 000 operating hours.

The tube is deemed to have reached its end of life when the anode to cathode maintaining voltage  $V_{m_a}$  has reached the maximum value indicated on page 6.

WAVELENGTH OF RADIATED LIGHT 580 to 700 nm

1) To avoid spurious ignition the rate of rise of applied anode voltage shall have a minimum time constant as given on page 7.

2) For higher values the manufacturer should be consulted.

## ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS

Vibration resistance

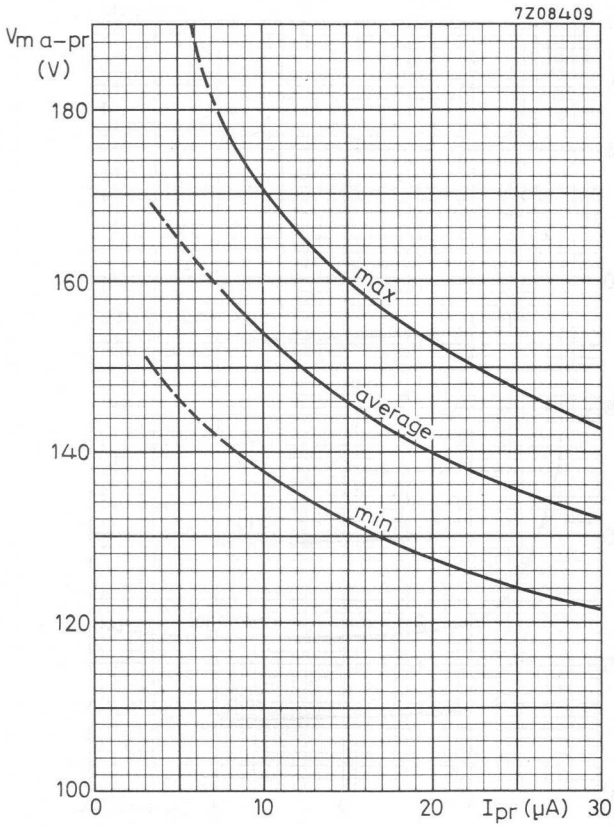
These conditions are solely used to assess the mechanical quality of the tube. The tube must not be continuously operated under these conditions.

Vibration resistance 2.5 g<sub>peak</sub>

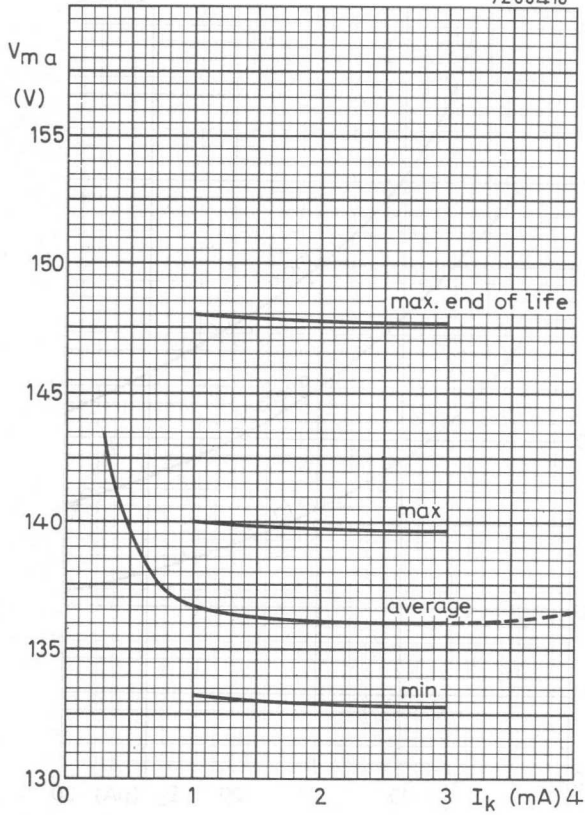
Vibrational forces for a period of 32 hours at a frequency of 50 Hz in each of three directions.



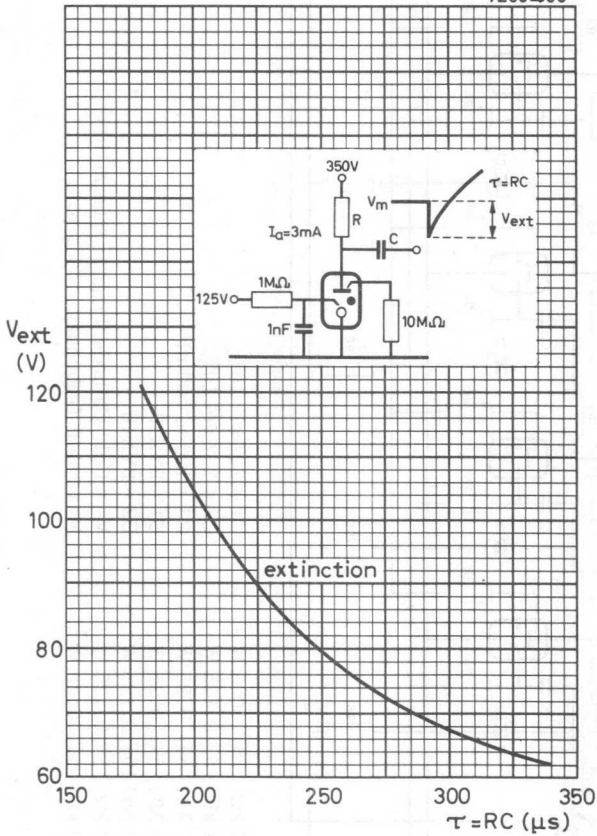
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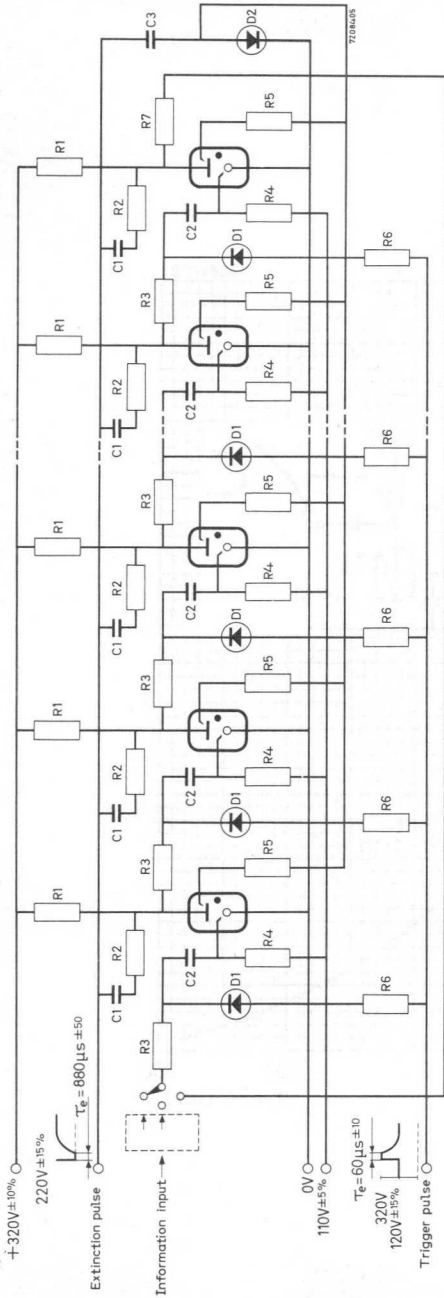
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Application of the ZC1050 in a shift register



+320V±10%  
220V±15%  
Extinction pulse  
 $T_e = 880 \mu s \pm 50$

Information input

0V  
110V±5%

320V±15%  
120V±15%  
Trigger pulse  
 $T_e = 60 \mu s \pm 10$

0V  
110V±5%

320V±15%  
120V±15%  
Trigger pulse  
 $T_e = 60 \mu s \pm 10$

- R1 = 82 k $\Omega$  5% 0.5 W
- R2 = 22 k $\Omega$  5% 0.125 W
- R3 = 1 M $\Omega$  5% 0.25 W
- R4 = 1 M $\Omega$  5% 0.25 W
- R5 = 10 M $\Omega$  10% 0.125 W
- R6 = 10 k $\Omega$  5% 0.125 W
- R7 = 10 k $\Omega$  5% 0.25 W

- C1 = 2.2 nF 10%
- C2 = 2.2 nF 10%
- C3 = 100 to 500 nF
- D1 = BYX10
- D2 = BYX10
- V = Cold Cathode Trigger tube ZC1050
- Max. shift frequency = 80 p.p.s.



## TRIGGER TUBE

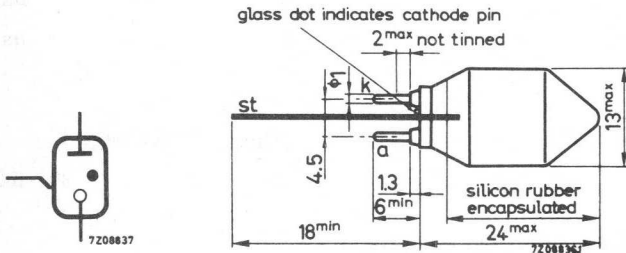
Subminiature cold-cathode trigger tube for switching very high peak currents, e.g. in capacitor discharge circuits. The tube contains an internal cathode, an internal anode and an external (capacitive) starter.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Anode voltage	$V_a$	max.	800 V
	$V_a$	min.	100 V
Cathode current, peak	$I_{kP}$	max.	5000 A
average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 60 \text{ s}$ )	$I_k$	max.	20 mA
Energy per discharge	E	max.	60 J

### DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm



### MOUNTING

1. Directly soldered connections to the pins must be at least 2 mm from the glass. The cathode and anode pins should not be bent.
2. When soldering the heat conducted to the glass should be kept at a minimum.
3. The distance between the starter electrode lead and the anode or cathode pins should be at least 5 mm. Stray capacitance and leakage current should be kept at a minimum.
4. The tube may ignite spontaneously when mounted in an electric field, the probability of igniting being dependent on the field strength (direction and magnitude) and its rate of change. Touching the envelope by live components should be avoided, and it is recommended to maintain a distance between components or electrostatic shields and any part of the envelope of at least some mm.

**CHARACTERISTIC RANGE VALUES FOR EQUIPMENT DESIGN**

(during life and over full temperature range)

Stand-by

Insulation resistance between electrodes	$r_{ins}$	min.	300	M $\Omega$
Anode voltage	$V_a$	max.	800	V

Ignition

Anode voltage	$V_a$	min.	100	V
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The tube should be triggered by an oscillatory voltage between starter and cathode (see Fig.1)

The oscillator frequency should be 400 kHz to 500 kHz.

The duration (to 10% amplitude) of the trigger pulse train should be  $> 30 \mu s$ .

Trigger voltage	$V_{stignp}$	min.	3.5	kV
Trigger energy	$E_{stign}$	min.	1	mJ
Ignition delay,	typical	max.		
at $V_a = 100$ V	20	50		$\mu s$
at $V_a = 150$ V	5	10		$\mu s$
at $V_a = 350$ to 800 V	1	2		$\mu s$

Conduction

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	see page 4
Impedance	$z$	30 m $\Omega$

**LIMITING VALUES (Absolute max. rating system)**

Energy per discharge	E	max.	60	J
Cathode current, peak	$I_{kp}$	max.	5000	A
average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 60$ s)	$I_k$	max.	20	mA
Envelope temperature	$t_{bulb}$	max.	125	$^{\circ}C$
	$t_{bulb}$	min.	-55	$^{\circ}C$

**LIFE EXPECTANCY**

Number of discharges with an energy of 60 J	average	10 000
	minimum	5 000

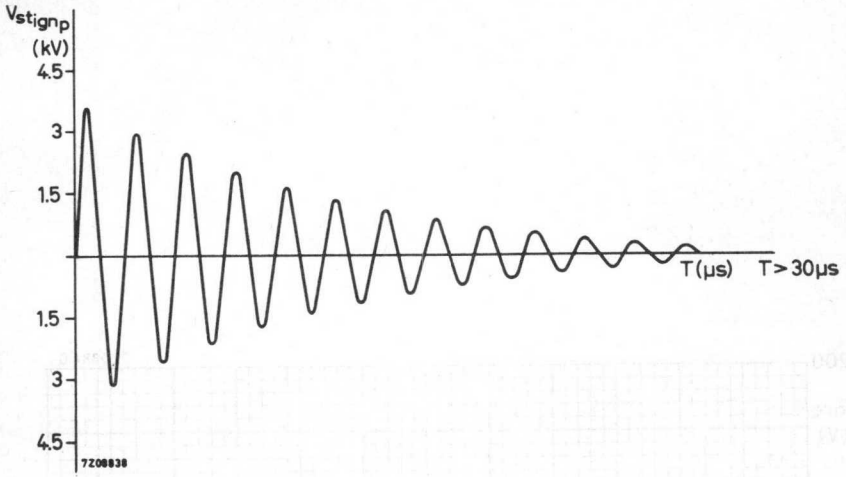
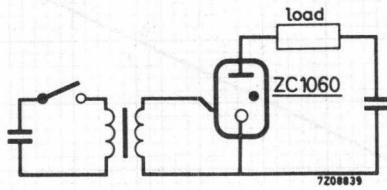
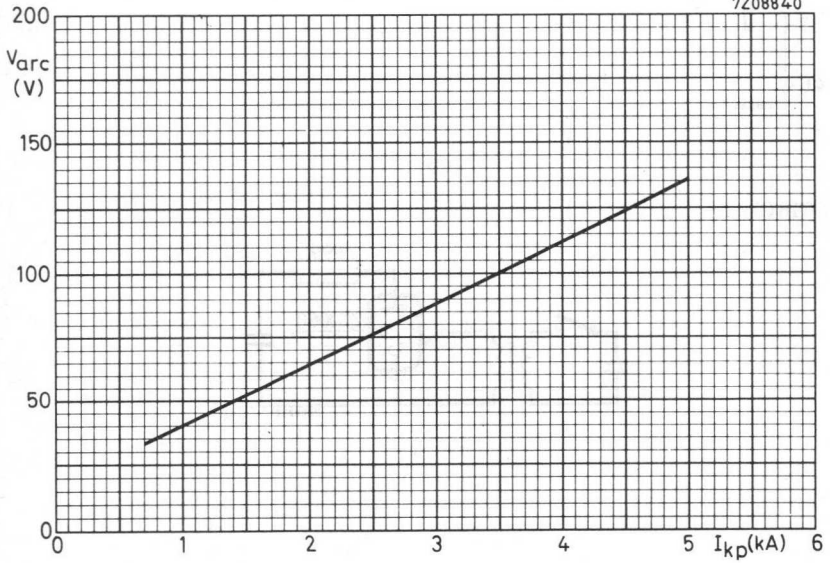


Fig. 1

BASIC CIRCUIT



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# Thyratrons



RECOMMENDED TYPES FOR NEW EQUIPMENT

Large thyratrons

PL3C23A  
PL106  
PL255  
PL260  
PL5544  
  
PL5545  
PL5557  
PL5559  
PL5684/C3JA  
PL6755A  
  
ZT1011

Small thyratrons

PL2D21  
5696  
PL5727



# GENERAL OPERATIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS

## THYRATRONS

The following instructions and recommendations apply in general to all types of thyratrons. If there are deviations for any type of tube they will be indicated on the published data sheets of the type in question.

### MOUNTING

Normally the tubes must be mounted vertically with the base or filament strips at the lower end. They must be mounted so that air can circulate freely around them. Where additional cooling is necessary forced air should assist the natural convection. (This is of great importance in the case of mercury-vapour filled tubes, in order to condense the mercury in the lower part of the tube). The clearance between the tubes and other components of the circuit and between the tubes and cabinet walls should be at least half the maximum tube diameter.

When 2 or more tubes are used the minimum clearance between them should be  $3/4$  the maximum tube diameter. When the tube is mounted in a closed cabinet the heat dissipated by the tube and other components should be taken into account. While the tube is working it must not touch any other part of the installation or be exposed to falling drops of liquid.

The tubes should be mounted in such a way that they are not subjected to dangerous shock or vibration. In general, if shock or vibration exceeds  $0.5 \text{ g}$  a shock absorbing device should be used.

The electrode connections, except for those of the tube holder, must be flexible. The nuts (e.g. of the anode connections) should be well tightened but care must be taken to ensure that no undue forces are exerted on the tube. The contacts must be checked at regular intervals and their surfaces kept clean in order to avoid excessive heating of the glass-metal seals. The cross section of the conductors and leads should be sufficient to carry the r.m.s. value of the current. (It should be noted that in grid controlled rectifier circuits the r.m.s. value of the anode current may reach  $2.5 \times$  the average d.c. value and even more).

### FILAMENT SUPPLY

In order to obtain the maximum life of a directly heated tube, a filament transformer with centre-tap and a phase shift of  $90^\circ \pm 30^\circ$  between  $V_a$  and  $V_f$  is recommended.

If, in the published data, limits are given for the filament voltage, steps should be taken to prevent the filament voltage exceeding these limits owing to the spread of the transformer, fluctuations of the mains voltage, etc. The filament voltage at nominal mains voltage is measured at the terminals of the tube. If no limits for the filament voltage are given, deviations with a maximum of 2.5% from the published value, can be accepted.

It is therefore recommended to have tappings on the filament transformer. The mains fluctuations should, in general, not exceed 5%. During short intervals fluctuations of 10% are admissible.

In calculating the ratings of the filament transformer a variation in the filament current of plus and minus 10% from tube to tube should be taken into account, whilst for directly heated tubes the d.c. current flowing through the filament winding should also be considered.

## TEMPERATURE

1. For tubes filled with mercury vapour or with a mixture of mercury vapour and inert gas.

For these tubes temperature limits for the condensed mercury are given in the published data. Care should be taken to ensure that the temperature during operation is between these limits. Too low temperature gives low gas pressure which results in a low current capability, high arc drop and consequently shortening of life. Too high a temperature gives high gas pressure which results in a reduction of the "arc-back" voltage, and with it the permissible peak inverse and forward voltages. The condensed mercury temperature can be measured with a thermo-element placed against the envelope. The measurement should be made at the coldest part of the bulb where the mercury condenses; in general this will be just above the base or the lower connections.

Good technique and instruments are necessary for accurate thermocouple measurements. In addition to the temperature limits for the condensed mercury sometimes limits for the ambient temperature are given.

The latter are only intended as a guide, as the difference between the ambient and the condensed mercury temperature largely depends on mounting and cooling.

The mercury condensed temperature is decisive in all cases.

The ambient temperature can be measured with a thermometer which has been screened against direct heat radiation. The measurement should be carried out at various points around the lower part of the tube.

2. Tubes with inert gas-filling

For these tubes only the limits of the ambient temperature are given. These limits are in general minimum  $-55^{\circ}\text{C}$  and maxima  $+75^{\circ}\text{C}$ .



## SWITCHING ON

1. Tubes filled with mercury vapour or with a mixture of mercury vapour and inert gas

It is necessary to allow some time for the cathode to reach its operating temperature before drawing cathode current. Therefore the minimum cathode heating time is given on the published data sheets.

After the cathode heating time the tube may be switched on provided the temperature of the condensed mercury is not too low.

Switching on (not after transport) may be done at a condensed mercury temperature which lies 5 to 10 °C below the minimum temperature published (minimum waiting time required).

However, it is good practice to switch on after the temperature having passed its minimum published value (recommended waiting time)

The switching on times, the minimum required and the recommended one can be read from the curve representing the condensed mercury temperature as a function of time with only the filament voltage applied to the tube.

The minimum required switching on time can directly be read from the curve representing this time as a function of the ambient temperature.

Switching on after transport or after a considerable interruption of operation should be done according to the instructions for use which are packed with the tube.

In order to avoid long preheating times it is recommended to leave the filament supply on during stand-by periods (e.g. overnight) at 60-80% of the nominal voltage.

2. Tubes with inert gas-filling

It is necessary to allow the cathode to reach operating temperature before drawing cathode current.

Therefore the minimum cathode heating time is published after which the anode voltage may be applied provided that the ambient temperature is not below the minimum published value.

## LIMITING VALUES

In general these values are given as absolute maxima; i.e. maxima which should not be exceeded under any conditions (so they may not be exceeded owing to mains voltage fluctuations, load variations, tolerances on components, over-voltages etc.)

For each rating of maximum average current a maximum averaging time is quoted. This is to ensure that an anode current greater than the maximum continuously permissible average value is not drawn for such a length of time as would give rise to an excessive temperature within the tube.

The maximum peak anode current is determined by the available safe cathode emission whereas the average current is limited by its heating effects.

Under no circumstances may the peak current exceed its maximum published value. For the determination of the actual value of the peak inverse voltage and the peak anode current, the measured values with an oscilloscope or otherwise are decisive.

## TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

### 1. Arc voltage

The value published for  $V_{arc}$  applies to average operating conditions; under high peak current conditions, e.g. 6 phase rectification,  $V_{arc}$  will be higher. The spread which is dependent on the circuit can be expected to be plus and minus 1 V.

During life and increase of approximately 2 V must be taken into account.

### 2. Frequency

Unless otherwise stated the maximum frequency at which the tubes may run under full load is 150 Hz.

Under special conditions higher frequencies may be used, details should be obtained from the manufacturer.

## OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS

The data under this heading are based on normal practical conditions.

## SHORT CIRCUIT PROTECTION

In order to prevent the tube from being damaged by passing too high a peak current a value for the surge current is given. The figure given for the maximum surge current is intended as a guide to equipment designers. It indicates the maximum value of a transient current resulting from a sudden overload or short circuit which the thyatron can pass for a period not exceeding 0.1 second without resulting in its immediate destruction. Several overloads of this nature will, however, considerably reduce the life of the tube.

The equipment designer has to take into account this maximum surge current rating when calculating the short-circuit impedance of the equipment.

This surge current value is not intended as a peak current that may occur on switching or during operation.

A simple method to limit the surge current to the max. rating is to incorporate a series resistance in the anode circuit.

## SCREENING AND INTERFERENCE

In order to prevent unwanted ionisation of the gas filling (and consequent flash over) due to strong R.F. fields, it may be necessary to enclose the thyatron in a separate earthed screening box.

In circuits with gas-filled tubes oscillation in the transformer windings and other circuit components may occur, resulting in excessive peak inverse voltages and arc back. Damping of these oscillations is necessary especially at higher voltages. Parallel RC-circuits are recommended for this purpose.

#### SMOOTHING CIRCUITS

In order to limit the peak anode current in a rectifier it is necessary that a choke should precede the first smoothing condenser.

To ensure good voltage regulation on fluctuating loads the inductance value of the choke should be large enough to give uninterrupted current at minimum load.

The choke and capacitor must not resonate at the supply or ripple frequency. In grid controlled rectifier circuits under phased-back conditions the harmonic content of the d.c. output will be large unless the inductance is adequate.

#### PARALLEL OPERATION OF GAS-FILLED TUBES

As individual gas-filled thyratrons may have slightly different characteristics two or more tubes must not be connected directly in parallel. An alternative expedient must be adopted if a higher current output is required. Information on suitable methods will be supplied on request.

#### EFFECTS OF POSITIVE ION CURRENT

When a thyatron is conducting, a positive ion current of a magnitude proportional to the cathode current is generated. This current will, in general, flow to that electrode which is at the most negative potential during conduction (e.g. the grid). In order to prevent damage to the tube it is necessary to ensure that the voltage of this electrode is more positive than  $-10$  V during this phase. This precaution will prevent an increase in grid emission due to excessive grid dissipation, sputtering of grid material, changes in the control characteristics caused by shifts in contact potential and, in the case of inert-gas-filled tubes, a rapid gas clean up.

In circuits where the control grid is held negative during anode conduction, a suitable choice of resistor in series with the grid will maintain an effective grid bias more positive than  $-10$  V. The minimum allowable value of the grid resistor is  $0.1 \times$  the recommended one.

In circuits where the anode potential changes from a positive to a negative value and the control grid is at a positive potential, thereby drawing cathode current, a small positive ion current flows to the anode. At high negative anode voltages it is therefore essential to limit the magnitude of the positive ion current by severely restricting the current flowing from cathode to grid. This may be effected by using the maximum permitted series resistor, or preferably by using fixed negative grid bias and a narrow positive firing pulse.

In those circuits where the anode potential changes very rapidly from a positive to a high negative value, such as with inductive loads fed from polyphase supplies, there will be residual positive ions within the tube which will be drawn towards the anode with considerable energy. In the case of an inert-gas filled tube this would result in excessive gas clean-up and it is therefore necessary to observe the limitations imposed by the commutation factor.

#### CONTROL CHARACTERISTICS

In most cases the control characteristic given on the data sheets is shown by upper and lower boundary curves within which all tubes may be expected to remain at all temperatures of the published range and during life.

In multitube circuits where the tubes are operating under the same conditions the spread will in general be smaller. The published boundaries are therefore to be considered as extreme limits. This should be taken into consideration when designing grid excitation circuits.

#### GRID EXCITATION CIRCUITS

To keep the instant of ignition as constant as possible a large value of excitation voltage is recommended.

The use of a negative grid bias (20 to 50 V for a d.c. output voltage of 200 to 600 V) and a sharp positive grid pulse is recommended.

The magnitude of the grid should be 70 to 100 V with a grid series resistor of 20 k $\Omega$  and a maximum impedance of the peaking transformer of 30 k $\Omega$ . If a sinusoidal grid voltage is used the following r.m.s. values are recommended. With inductive or resistive load without a back E.M.F. this excitation voltage should be of the order of 8 x the spread of the control characteristic (30 to 50 V<sub>rms</sub>).

If a back E.M.F. is present the value of excitation voltage should be 15 x the spread of the control characteristic (50 to 100 V<sub>rms</sub>).

## RATING SYSTEM

( in accordance with I.E.C. publication 134 )

### **Absolute maximum rating system**

Absolute maximum ratings are limiting values of operating and environmental conditions applicable to any electronic device of a specified type as defined by its published data, which should not be exceeded under the worst probable conditions.

These values are chosen by the device manufacturer to provide acceptable serviceability of the device, taking no responsibility for equipment variations, environmental variations, and the effects of changes in operating conditions due to variations in the characteristics of the device under consideration and of all other electronic devices in the equipment.

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

# RAISING SYSTEM

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## Absolute maximum rating system

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## DOUBLE ANODE RECTIFYING TUBE

Mercury-vapour and gasfilled double anode rectifying tube intended for use in battery chargers 6 A each tube, max. 20 Pb-cells.

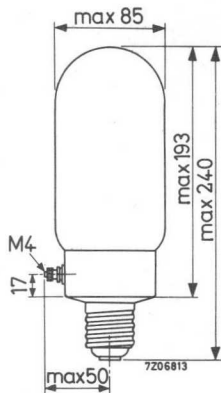
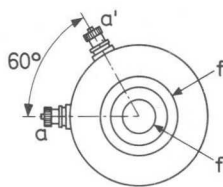
**HEATING:** direct by A.C., oxide coated filament

Filament voltage	$V_f$	1.9 V
Filament current	$I_f$	11 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	2 min <sup>1)</sup>

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm

Base: Goliath



Socket: 65909 BG/01

Mounting position: vertical, base down

Net weight: 290 g

### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	9 V
Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	16 V

<sup>1)</sup> See page 2.

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Transformer voltage	$V_{tr}$	max.	60	$V_{RMS}$
		min.	15	$V_{RMS}$
Anode voltage, inverse peak	$V_{ainvp}$	max.	185	V
Anode current, average	$I_a$	max.	3	A
		peak	$I_{ap}$	max. 18 A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$	min.	1.75	$\Omega$
Mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$	min.	30	$^{\circ}C$
		max.	80	$^{\circ}C$

<sup>1)</sup> Recommended value. If urgently wanted this value may be decreased to 1 min. In order to obtain a suitable time delay use can be made of the time delay switch type 4152. After transport or after a long interruption of service  $T_w = 5$  minutes.



## DOUBLE ANODE RECTIFYING TUBE

Mercury vapour and gas-filled double anode rectifying tube intended for use in battery chargers. 15 A each tube, max. 20 Pb cells.

**HEATING:** direct by A.C.; oxide coated filament

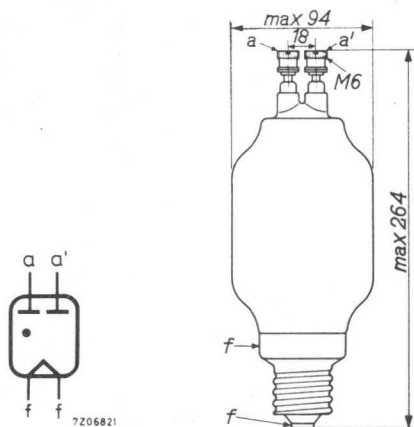
Filament voltage	$V_f$	1.9 V
Filament current	$I_f$	20 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	2 min <sup>1)</sup>

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm

Base: Goliath

Net weight 340 g



Mounting position: vertical, base down

### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	9 V
Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	16 V

<sup>1)</sup> If urgently wanted this value may be decreased to 1 min. In order to obtain a suitable time delay use can be made of a time delay switch (e.g. type 4152/02). After transport or after long interruption of service  $T_w = 5$  min.

**OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS**

Circuit: a (See Application directions)

		60			$V_{RMS}$
		discharged	nominal	charged	
Battery voltage	$V_{bat}$	36	44	54	V
D.C. current	$I_o$	19	13.5	8	A
Anode current, peak	$I_{ap}$		37		A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$		0.85		$\Omega$

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode voltage, peak inverse	$V_{ainvp}$	max.	185	V
Anode current, peak	$I_{ap}$	max.	45	A
average	$I_a$	max.	7.5	A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$	min.	0.75	$\Omega$
Mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$		30 to 80	$^{\circ}C$

## DOUBLE ANODE RECTIFYING TUBE

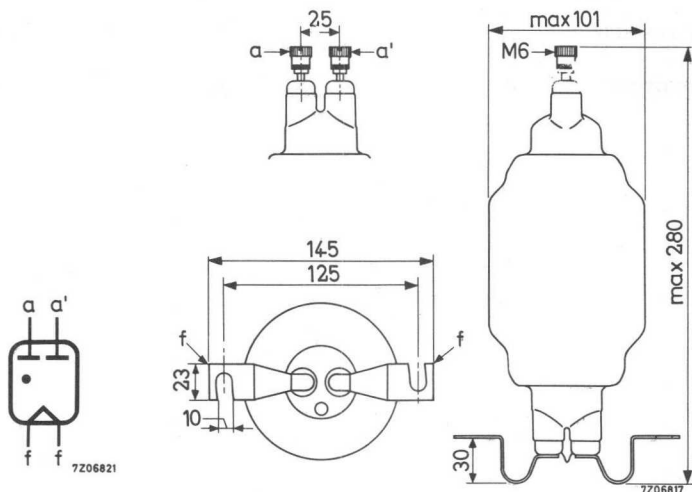
Mercury-vapour and gasfilled double anode rectifying tube intended for use in battery chargers 25 A each tube, max. 20 Pb-cells.

**HEATING:** direct by A. C., oxide coated filament

Filament voltage	$V_f$	1.9 V
Filament current	$I_f$	28.5 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	2 min <sup>1)</sup>

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm



Mounting position: vertical, base down

Net weight: 520 g

### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	9 V
Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	16 V

<sup>1)</sup> See page 2.

**OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS**

Circuit: a (See Application directions)

Transformer voltage	$V_{tr}$	60			$V_{RMS}$
		discharged	nominal	charged	
Battery voltage	$V_{bat}$	36	44	54	V
D.C. current	$I_o$	32	22	13	A
Anode current, peak	$I_{ap}$		60		A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$		0.5		$\Omega$

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode voltage, inverse peak	$V_{ainvp}$	max.	185	V
Anode current, average	$I_a$	max.	12.5	A
peak	$I_{ap}$	max.	75	A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$	min.	0.3	$\Omega$
Mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$	min.	30	$^{\circ}C$
		max.	80	$^{\circ}C$

<sup>1)</sup> Recommended value. If urgently wanted this value may be decreased to 1 min. In order to obtain a suitable time delay use can be made of the time delay switch type 4152. After transport or after a long interruption of service  $T_w = 5$  minutes.

## DOUBLE ANODE RECTIFYING TUBE

Mercury vapour and gas-filled double anode rectifying tube intended for use in welding rectifiers (40 A each tube).

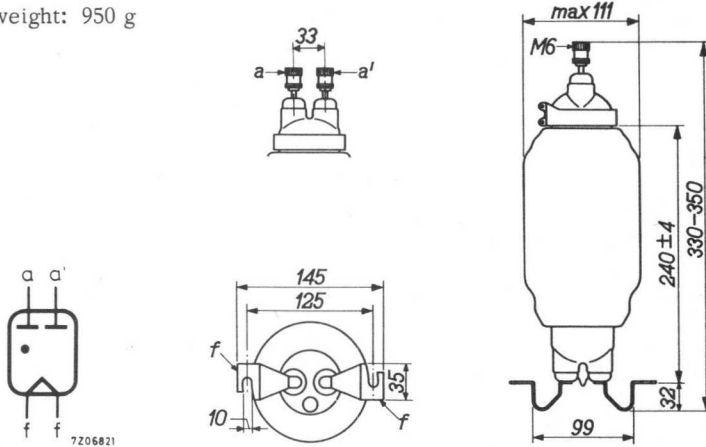
**HEATING:** direct by A.C.; oxide coated filament

Filament voltage	$V_f$	1.9 V
Filament current	$I_f$	68 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	2 min <sup>1)</sup>

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm

Net weight: 950 g



Mounting position: vertical, base down

### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	9 V
Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	16 V V

<sup>1)</sup> If urgently wanted this value may be decreased to 1 min. In order to obtain a suitable time delay use can be made of a time delay switch (e.g. type 4152/0). After transport or after a long interruption of service  $T_w = 5$  min.

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Transformer voltage	$V_{tr}$	max. 48 $V_{RMS}$
		min. 20 $V_{RMS}$
Anode voltage, peak inverse	$V_{ainvp}$	max. 150 V
Anode current, peak	$I_{ap}$	max. 120 A
average	$I_a$	max. 20 A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$	min. 0.18 $\Omega$
Mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$	30 to 80 $^{\circ}C$



## DOUBLE ANODE RECTIFYING TUBE

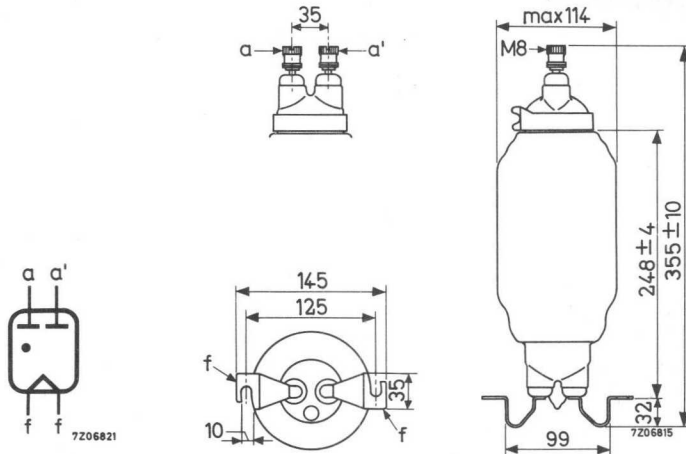
Mercury-vapour and gasfilled double anode rectifying tube intended for use in welding rectifiers 60 A each tube.

**HEATING:** direct by A. C. , oxide coated filament

Filament voltage	$V_f$	3.25 V
Filament current	$I_f$	70 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	2 min <sup>1)</sup>

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm



Mounting position: vertical, base down

Net weight: 1000 g

### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	10 V
Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	16 V

<sup>1)</sup> See page 2.

## OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS

Circuit See Appl. dir.	$V_{tr}$ ( $V_{RMS}$ )	$V_o$ (V)	$I_o$ <sup>2)</sup> (A)
e	55	50	120
f	55	55	180
g	55	45	180

## LIMITING VALUES (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode voltage, inverse peak	$V_{ainvp}$	max.	170 V
Anode current, average	$I_a$ ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 15 \text{ sec}$ )	max.	30 A <sup>2)</sup>
peak	$I_{ap}$	max.	200 A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$	min.	0.12 $\Omega$
Mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$	min.	30 $^{\circ}\text{C}$
		max.	75 $^{\circ}\text{C}$

<sup>1)</sup> Recommended value. If urgently wanted this value may be decreased to 1 min.

<sup>2)</sup> With fan cooling.



## DOUBLE ANODE RECTIFYING TUBE

Gasfilled double anode rectifying tube intended for use in battery chargers 2 A each tube, max. 20 Pb-cells.

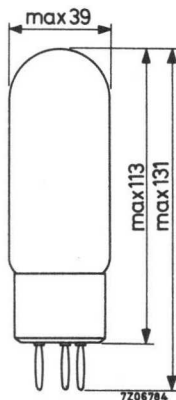
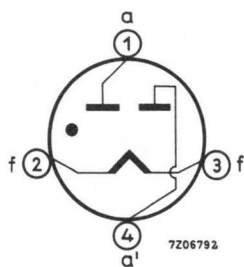
**HEATING:** direct by A.C., oxide coated filament

Filament voltage	$V_f$	1.9 V
Filament current	$I_f$	3.5 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	15 s <sup>1)</sup>

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm

Base: A



Socket: 2422 512 02001

Mounting position: vertical, base down

Net weight: 55 g

### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	9 V
Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	16 V

<sup>1)</sup> See page 2.

**OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS**

Circuit: a (See Application directions)

Transformer voltage	$V_{tr}$	60			$V_{RMS}$
		discharged	nominal	charged	
Battery voltage	$V_{bat}$	36	44	54	V
D.C. current	$I_o$	2	1.4 <sup>2)</sup>	0.85	A
Anode current, peak	$I_{ap}$		3.8		A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$		8		$\Omega$

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode voltage, inverse peak	$V_{ainvp}$	max.	185	V
Anode current, average	$I_a$	max.	0.85	A
peak	$I_{ap}$	max.	5	A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$	min.	4	$\Omega$
Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$	min.	-55	$^{\circ}C$
		max.	+75	$^{\circ}C$

1) Recommended value. If urgently wanted this value may be decreased to 0 s

2) When a barretter is used this value may be increased to 2 A.

## DOUBLE ANODE RECTIFYING TUBE

Gasfilled double anode rectifying tube intended for use in battery chargers 3 A each tube, max. 12 Pb-cells.

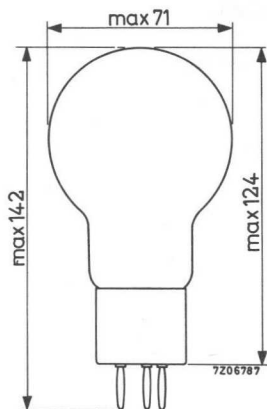
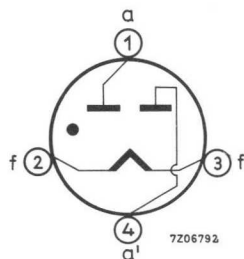
**HEATING:** direct by A. C., oxide coated filament

Filament voltage	$V_f$	1.9 V
Filament current	$I_f$	5.8 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	30 s <sup>1)</sup>

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm

Base: A



Socket: 2422 512 02001

Mounting position: vertical, base down

Net weight: 75 g

### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	9 V
Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	16 V

<sup>1)</sup> See page 2.

**OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS**

Circuit: a (See Applications directions)

Transformer voltage	$V_{tr}$	45			$V_{RMS}$
		discharged	nominal	charged	
Battery voltage	$V_{bat}$	22	26	32	V
D. C. current	$I_o$	3.6	3.0	2.1	A
Anode current, peak	$I_{ap}$		7.5		A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$		3.75		$\Omega$

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode voltage, inverse peak	$V_{ainvp}$	max.	140	V
Anode current, average	$I_a$	max.	1.5	A
peak	$I_{ap}$	max.	9	A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$	min.	1.8	$\Omega$
Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$	min.	-55	$^{\circ}C$
		max.	+75	$^{\circ}C$

<sup>1)</sup> Recommended value. If urgently wanted this value may be decreased to 15 s

## SINGLE ANODE RECTIFYING TUBE

Mercury vapour and gasfilled single anode rectifying tube intended for use in battery chargers and cinema rectifiers 15 A each tube, max. 30 Pb-cells.

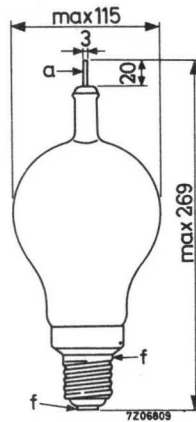
**HEATING:** direct by A. C. , oxide coated filament

Filament voltage	$V_f$	2.5 V
Filament current	$I_f$	27 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	2 min <sup>1)</sup>

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm

Base: Goliath



Socket: 65909 BG/01

Mounting position: vertical, base down

Net weight: 240 g

### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	10 V
Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	16 V

<sup>1)</sup> See page 2.

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Circuit: a (See Application directions)

Transformer voltage	$V_{tr}$	max. 85 $V_{RMS}$ min. 20 $V_{RMS}$
Anode voltage, inverse peak	$V_{ainvp}$	max. 275 V
Anode current, average	$I_a$	max. 15 A
peak	$I_{ap}$	max. 85 A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$	min. 0.3 $\Omega$
Mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$	min. 30 $^{\circ}C$ max. 80 $^{\circ}C$

<sup>1)</sup> Recommended value. If urgently wanted this value may be decreased to 1 min. In order to obtain a suitable time delay use can be made of the time delay switch type 4152. After transport or after a long interruption of service  $T_w = 5$  minutes.

## SINGLE ANODE RECTIFYING TUBE

Gasfilled single anode rectifying tube intended for use in battery chargers 6 A each tube, max. 36 Pb-cells.

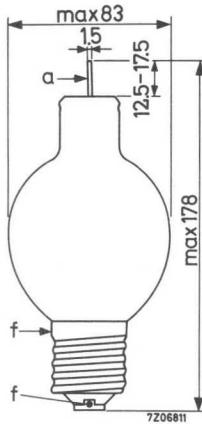
**HEATING:** direct by A.C., thoriated tungsten

Filament voltage	$V_f$	2.25 V
Filament current	$I_f$	17 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	0 s <sup>1)</sup>

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm

Base: Goliath



Socket: 65909 BG/01

Mounting position: vertical, base down

Net weight: 110 g

### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	9 V
<u>Ignition voltage</u>	$V_{ign}$	16 V

<sup>1)</sup> Recommended value 3 s

## LIMITING VALUES (Absolute max. rating system)

Circuit See Appl. dir.	a, c, e, f, g	b, d
$V_{tr}$	max. 130 V <sub>RMS</sub>	max. 90 V <sub>RMS</sub>
$V_{tr}$	min. 20 V <sub>RMS</sub>	min. 20 V <sub>RMS</sub>
$V_{ainvp}$	max. 375 V	max. 250 V
$I_a$	max. 6 A	max. 6 A
$I_{ap}$	max. 36 A	max. 36 A
$R_t$	min. 0.5 $\Omega$	min. 0.5 $\Omega$
	min. -55 °C	min. -55 °C
$t_{amb}$	max. +75 °C	max. +75 °C



## SINGLE ANODE RECTIFYING TUBE

Gasfilled single anode rectifying tube intended for use in battery chargers and cinema rectifiers 15 A each tube, max. 30 Pb-cells.

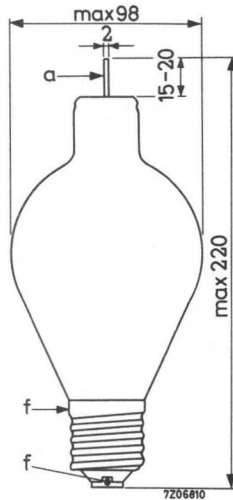
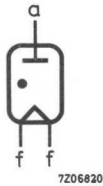
**HEATING:** direct by A.C., thoriated tungsten

Filament voltage	$V_f$	2,5 V
Filament current	$I_f$	25 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	15 s

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm

Base: Goliath



Socket: 65909 BG/01

Mounting position: vertical, base down

Net weight: 150 g

### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	9 V
Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	16 V

## LIMITING VALUES (Absolute max. rating system)

Circuit See Appl.dir.	a, c, e, f, g	b, d
$V_{tr}$	max. 80 V <sub>RMS</sub>	max. 60 V <sub>RMS</sub>
$V_{tr}$	min. 20 V <sub>RMS</sub>	min. 20 V <sub>RMS</sub>
$V_{ainvp}$	max. 225 V	max. 165 V
$I_a$	max. 15 A	max. 15 A
$I_{ap}$	max. 90 A	max. 90 A
$R_t$	min. 0.3 $\Omega$	min. 0.3 $\Omega$
	min. -55 °C	min. -55 °C
$t_{amb}$	max. +75 °C	max. +75 °C

**SINGLE ANODE RECTIFYING TUBE**

Mercury vapour and gas-filled single anode rectifying tube intended for use in battery chargers, 4 A each tube, max. 100 Pb-cells.

**HEATING:** direct by A.C., oxide coated filament

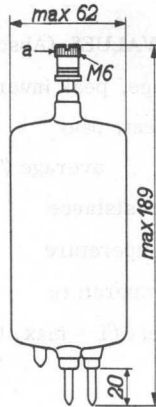
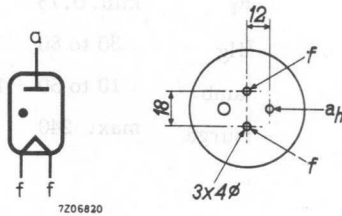
Filament voltage	$V_f$	1.9 V
Filament current	$I_f$	13 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	1 min <sup>1)</sup>

**MECHANICAL DATA**

Base : Spec. 3p

Socket: 1287

Net weight 165 g



Mounting position: vertical base down

<sup>1)</sup> If urgently wanted this value may be decreased to 45 s. In order to obtain a suitable time delay use can be made of a time delay switch (e.g. type 4152/02). After transport or after a long interruption of service  $T_w = 5$  min.

**TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	12 V
Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	22 V

**OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS**

Circuit	Transformer voltage ( $V_{RMS}$ )	D.C. voltage (V)	D.C. current (A)
a	275	230	8
b	540	440	8
c	220	240	12
d	210	440	12
e	205	240	16
f	200	240	24
g	220	240	24

Circuits: See Applications directions.

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode voltage, peak inverse	$V_{ainvp}$	max. 685	850 V
Anode current, peak	$I_{ap}$	max. 24	20 A
average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 5 \text{ s}$ )	$I_a$	max. 4	4 A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$	min. 0.75	0.75 $\Omega$
Mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$	30 to 80	30 to 75 $^{\circ}\text{C}$
Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$	10 to 50	10 to 45 $^{\circ}\text{C}$
Surge current ( $T = \text{max. } 0.1 \text{ s}$ )	$I_{surge}$	max. 240	200 A

## SINGLE ANODE RECTIFYING TUBE

Mercury vapour and gasfilled single anode rectifying tube intended for use in industrial rectifiers 6 A each tube, max. 110 Pb-cells.

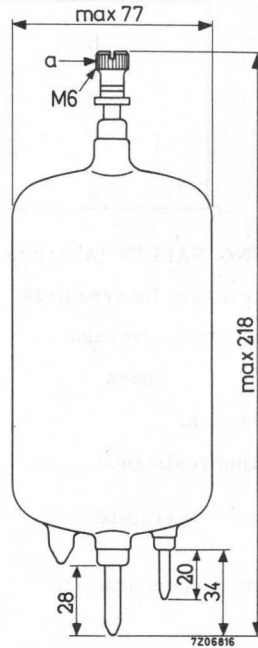
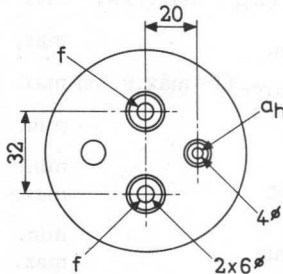
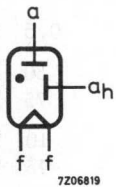
**HEATING:** direct by A. C., oxide coated filament

Filament voltage	$V_f$	1.9 V
Filament current	$I_f$	12 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	60 s <sup>1)</sup>

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm

Base: Spec. 3p



Socket: 1285

Mounting position: vertical, base down

Net weight: 285 g

<sup>1)</sup> See page 2.

## TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	12 V
Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	22 V

In order to obtain the above-mentioned ignition voltage of 22 V, an auxiliary D.C. supply unit delivering min. 40 V, 10 mA power, should be connected via a current-limiting resistor to the auxiliary ignition electrode  $a_H$  (+) and to the cathode (-). The Philips Auxiliary Ignition Unit type 1289 is recommended for this purpose.

## OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS

Circuit See Appl.dir.	$V_{tr}$ ( $V_{RMS}$ )	$V_o$ (V)	$I_o$ (A)
a	275	230	12
b	540	440	12
c	220	240	18
d	210	440	18
e	205	240	24
f	200	240	36
g	220	240	36

## LIMITING VALUES (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode voltage, inverse peak	$V_{ainvp}$	max.	685	850 V
Anode current, average	$I_a$ ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 5 \text{ s}$ )	max.	6	6 A
peak	$I_{ap}$	max.	36	30 A
Surge current	$I_{surge}$ ( $T = \text{max. } 0.1 \text{ s}$ )	max.	360	300 A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$	min.	0.5	0.5 $\Omega$
Mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$	min.	30	30 $^{\circ}\text{C}$
		max.	80	75 $^{\circ}\text{C}$
Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$	min.	10	10 $^{\circ}\text{C}$
		max.	50	45 $^{\circ}\text{C}$

- <sup>1)</sup> Recommended value. If urgently wanted this value may be decreased to 45 s.  
In order to obtain a suitable time delay use can be made of the time delay switch type 4152. After transport or after a long interruption of service  $T_w = 5$  minutes.

## SINGLE ANODE RECTIFYING TUBE

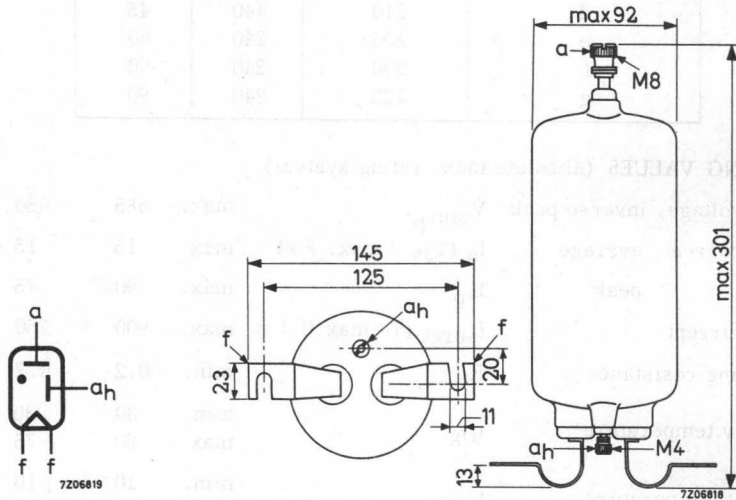
Mercury vapour and gasfilled single anode rectifying tube intended for use in industrial rectifiers 15 A each tube, max. 110 Pb-cells.

**HEATING:** direct by A. C., oxide coated filament

Filament voltage	$V_f$	1.9 V
Filament current	$I_f$	28 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	2 min <sup>1)</sup>

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm



Mounting position: vertical, base down

Net weight: 600 g

<sup>1)</sup> Recommended value. If urgently wanted this value may be decreased to 1 min. In order to obtain a suitable time delay use can be made of the time delay switch type 4152. After transport or after a long interruption of service  $T_w = 5$  minutes.

## TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	12 V
Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	22 V

In order to obtain the above-mentioned ignition voltage of 22 V, an auxiliary D.C. supply unit delivering min. 40 V, 10 mA power, should be connected via a current-limiting resistor to the auxiliary ignition electrode  $a_h$  (+) and to the cathode (-). The Philips Auxiliary Ignition Unit type 1289 is recommended for this purpose.

## OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS

Circuit See Appl. dir.	$V_{tr}$ ( $V_{RMS}$ )	$V_o$ (V)	$I_o$ (A)
a	275	230	30
b	540	440	30
c	220	240	45
d	210	440	45
e	205	240	60
f	200	240	90
g	220	240	90

## LIMITING VALUES (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode voltage, inverse peak	$V_{ainvp}$	max.	685	850 V
Anode current, average	$I_a$ ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 5 \text{ s}$ )	max.	15	15 A
peak	$I_{ap}$	max.	90	75 A
Surge current	$I_{surge}$ ( $T = \text{max. } 0.1 \text{ s}$ )	max.	900	750 A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$	min.	0.2	0.2 $\Omega$
Mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$	min.	30	30 $^{\circ}\text{C}$
		max.	80	75 $^{\circ}\text{C}$
Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$	min.	10	10 $^{\circ}\text{C}$
		max.	50	45 $^{\circ}\text{C}$



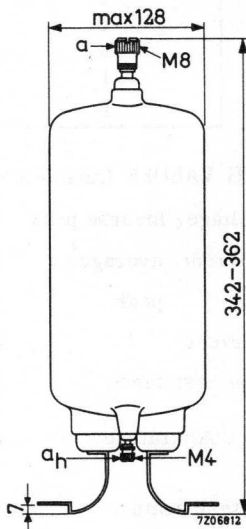
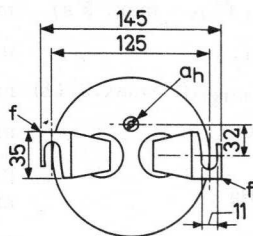
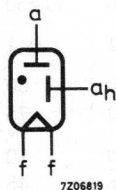
## SINGLE ANODE RECTIFYING TUBE

Mercury vapour and gasfilled single anode rectifying tube intended for use in industrial rectifiers 25 A each tube, max. 110 Pb-cells.

**HEATING:** direct by A. C. , oxide coated filament

Filament voltage	$V_f$	1.9 V
Filament current	$I_f$	60 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	2 min <sup>1)</sup>

### MECHANICAL DATA



Mounting position: vertical, base down

Net weight: 1060 g

<sup>1)</sup> See page 2.

## TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	12 V
Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	28 V

In order to obtain the above-mentioned ignition voltage of 28 V, an auxiliary D.C. supply unit delivering min. 40 V, 10 mA power, should be connected via a current-limiting resistor to the auxiliary ignition electrode  $a_H$  (+) and to the cathode (-). The Philips Auxiliary Ignition Unit type 1289 is recommended for this purpose.

## OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS

Circuit See Appl. dir.	$V_{tr}$ (VRMS)	$V_o$ (V)	$I_o$ (A)
a	275	230	50
b	540	440	50
c	220	240	75
d	210	440	75
e	205	240	100
f	200	250	150
g	220	240	150

## LIMITING VALUES (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode voltage, inverse peak	$V_{ainvp}$	max.	685	850 V
Anode current, average	$I_a$ ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 5 \text{ s}$ )	max.	25	25 A
peak	$I_{ap}$	max.	150	135 A
Surge current	$I_{surge}$ ( $T = \text{max. } 0.1 \text{ s}$ )	max.	1500	1250 A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$	min.	0.1	0.1 $\Omega$
Mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$	min.	30	30 $^{\circ}\text{C}$
		max.	80	75 $^{\circ}\text{C}$
Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$	min.	10	10 $^{\circ}\text{C}$
		max.	50	45 $^{\circ}\text{C}$

<sup>1)</sup> Recommended value. If urgently wanted this value may be decreased to 1 min. In order to obtain a suitable time delay use can be made of the time delay switch type 4152. After transport or after a long interruption of service  $T_w = 5$  minutes.

## DOUBLE ANODE RECTIFYING TUBE

Mercury vapour and gasfilled double anode rectifying tube intended for use in magnetic chucks 3 A each tube.

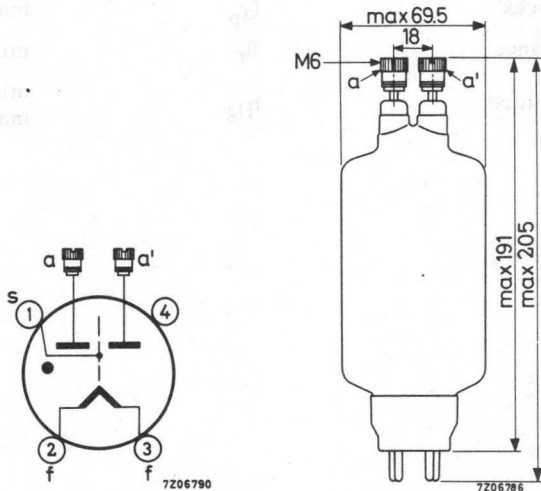
**HEATING:** direct by A. C., oxide coated filament

Filament voltage	$V_f$	1.9 V
Filament current	$I_f$	8 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	30 s <sup>1)</sup>

### MECHANICAL DATA

Base: W

Dimensions in mm



The screen s must be connected to the cathode via a resistor of 10 k $\Omega$ , 0.5 W.

Mounting position: vertical, base down

Net weight: 170 g

<sup>1)</sup> Recommended value. If urgently wanted this value may be decreased to 15 sec.

**TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	10 V
Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	22 V

**OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS**

Circuit: a (See Application directions)

Transformer voltage	$V_{tr}$	150 V <sub>RMS</sub>
D.C. voltage	$V_o$	110 V
D.C. current	$I_o$	3 A

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode voltage, inverse peak	$V_{ainvp}$	max. 470 V
Anode current, average	$I_a$ ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 5 \text{ s}$ )	max. 1.5 A
peak	$I_{ap}$	max. 9 A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$	min. 2.5 $\Omega$
Mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$	min. 30 $^{\circ}\text{C}$
		max. 80 $^{\circ}\text{C}$

## DOUBLE ANODE RECTIFYING TUBE

Gasfilled double anode rectifying tube intended for use in magnetic chucks 1.3 A each tube.

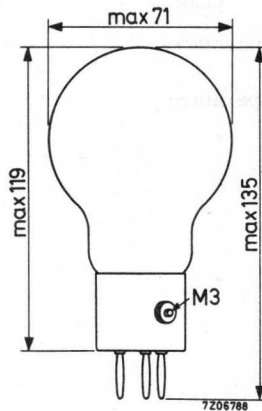
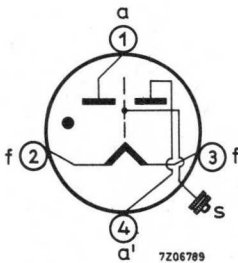
**HEATING:** direct by A.C., oxide coated filament

Filament voltage	$V_f$	1.9 V
Filament current	$I_f$	3.5 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	15 s <sup>1)</sup>

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm

Base: A



The screen s must be connected to the cathode via a resistor of 10 k $\Omega$ , 0.5 W.

Socket: 2422 512 02001

Mounting position: vertical, base down

Net weight: 75 g

<sup>1)</sup> Recommended value. If urgently wanted this value may be decreased to 0 s.

**TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	10 V
Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	22 V

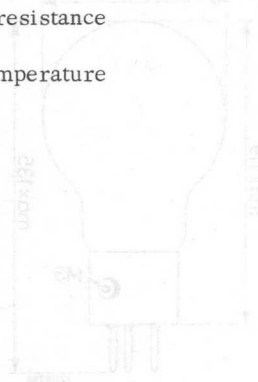
**OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS**

Circuit: a (See Application directions)

Transformer voltage	$V_{tr}$	150 $V_{RMS}$
D.C. voltage	$V_o$	110 V
D.C. current	$I_o$	1.3 A

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode voltage, inverse peak	$V_{ainvp}$	max. 470 V
Anode current, average	$I_a$ ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 5 \text{ s}$ )	max. 0.65 A
peak	$I_{ap}$	max. 4 A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$	min. 5 $\Omega$
Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$	min. -55 $^{\circ}C$ max. +75 $^{\circ}C$



The device must be connected to a circuit with a resistance of 10K $\Omega$  - 0.5W

Socket: 9A2 213 02081

Mounting position: vertical, pins up

Net weight: 1.6 g

(Recommended value. If urgently required, the value may be decreased to 10%)

## DOUBLE ANODE RECTIFYING TUBE

Mercury vapour and gasfilled double anode rectifying tube intended for use in battery chargers 15 A each tube, max. 36 Pb-cells.

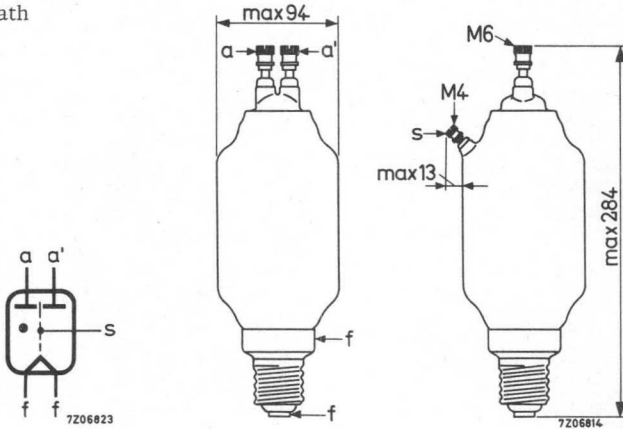
**HEATING:** direct by A.C., oxide-coated filament

Filament voltage	$V_f$	1.9 V
Filament current	$I_f$	18 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	2 min <sup>1)</sup>

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm

Base: Goliath



The screen s must be connected to the cathode via a resistor of 10 k $\Omega$ , 0.5 W.

Socket: 65909 BG/01

Mounting position: vertical, base down

Net weight: 370 g

<sup>1)</sup> See page 2.

## TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	9 V
Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	20 V

## LIMITING VALUES (Absolute max. rating system)

Circuit: a (See Application directions)

Transformer voltage	$V_{tr}$	max. 95 $V_{RMS}$ min. 20 $V_{RMS}$
Anode voltage, inverse peak	$V_{ainvp}$	max. 300 V
Anode current, average	$I_a$	max. 7.5 A
peak	$I_{ap}$	max. 45 A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$	min. 0.2 $\Omega$
Mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$	min. 30 $^{\circ}C$
		max. 80 $^{\circ}C$



<sup>1)</sup> Recommended value. If urgently wanted this value may be decreased to 1 min. In order to obtain a suitable time delay use can be made of the time delay switch type 4152. After transport or after a long interruption of service  $T_w = 5$  minutes.



## DOUBLE ANODE RECTIFYING TUBE

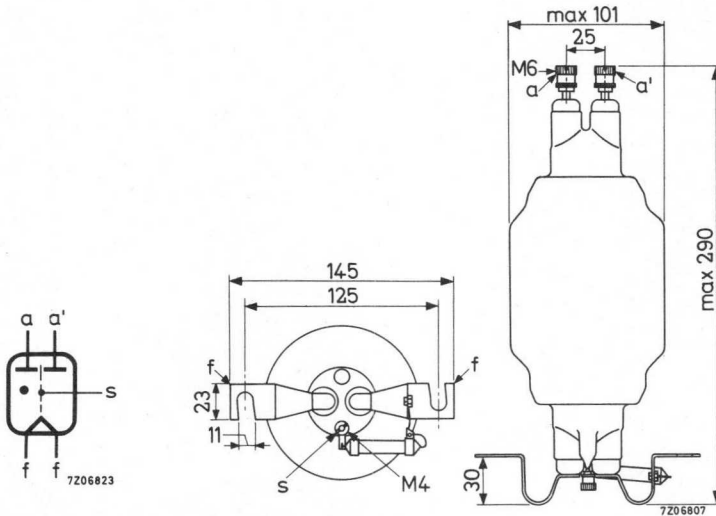
Mercury vapour and gasfilled double anode rectifying tube intended for use in cinema rectifiers 25 A each tube, max. 36 Pb-cells.

**HEATING:** direct by A. C., oxide coated filament

Filament voltage	$V_f$	1.9 V
Filament current	$I_f$	25 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	2 min <sup>1)</sup>

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm



The screen *s* is connected to the cathode via a resistor.

Mounting position: vertical, base down

Net weight: 600 g

<sup>1)</sup> See page 2.

## TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	10 V
Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	22 V

## LIMITING VALUES (Absolute max. rating system)

Circuit: a (See Application directions)

Transformer voltage	$V_{tr}$	max.	95	VRMS
		min.	30	VRMS
Anode voltage, inverse peak	$V_{ainvp}$	max.	300	V
Anode current, average	$I_a$	max.	12.5	A
		peak	$I_{ap}$	max. 75 A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$	min.	0.1	$\Omega$
Mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$	min.	30	$^{\circ}C$
		max.	80	$^{\circ}C$



<sup>1)</sup> Recommended value. If urgently wanted this value may be decreased to 1 min. In order to obtain a suitable time delay use can be made of the time delay switch type 4152. After transport or after a long interruption of service  $T_w = 5$  minutes.

## DOUBLE ANODE RECTIFYING TUBE

Mercury vapour and gasfilled double anode rectifying tube intended for use in battery chargers 10 A each tube, max. 36 Pb-cells.

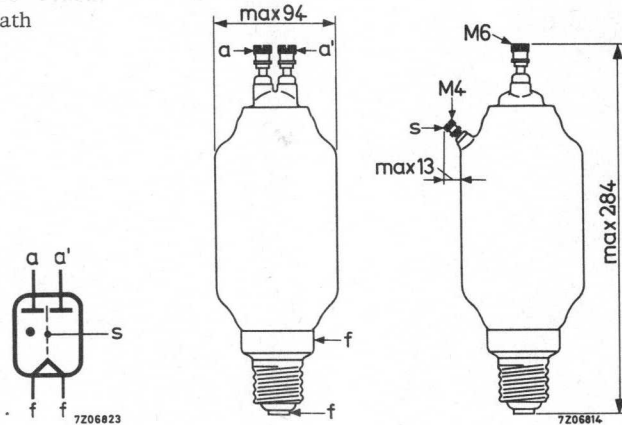
**HEATING:** direct by A.C., oxide coated filament

Filament voltage	$V_f$	1.9 V
Filament current	$I_f$	11 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	2 min <sup>1)</sup>

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm

Base: Goliath



The screen s must be connected to the cathode via a resistor of 10 k $\Omega$ , 0.5 W.

Socket: 65909 BG/01

Mounting position: vertical, base down

Net weight: 350 g

<sup>1)</sup> See page 2.

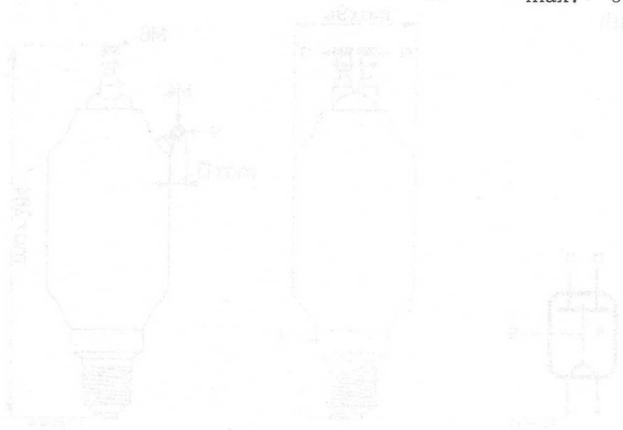
### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	9 V
Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	22 V

### LIMITING VALUES (Absolute max. rating system)

Circuit: a (See Application directions)

Transformer voltage	$V_{tr}$	max. 95 VRMS min. 20 VRMS
Anode voltage, inverse peak	$V_{ainvp}$	max. 300 V
Anode current, average	$I_a$	max. 5 A
peak	$I_{ap}$	max. 30 A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$	min. 0.3 $\Omega$
Mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$	min. 30 $^{\circ}C$ max. 80 $^{\circ}C$



<sup>1)</sup> Recommended value. If urgently wanted this value may be decreased to 1 min. In order to obtain a suitable time delay use can be made of the time delay switch type 4152. After transport or after a long interruption of service  $T_w = 5$  minutes.

## DOUBLE ANODE RECTIFYING TUBE

Mercury vapour and gasfilled double anode rectifying tube intended for use in cinema rectifiers 15 A each tube.

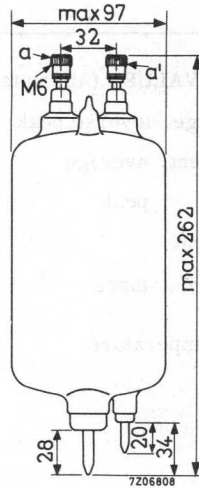
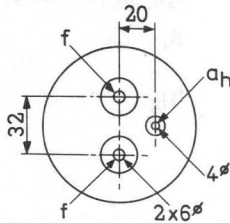
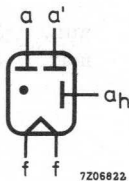
**HEATING:** direct by A.C., oxide-coated filament

Filament voltage	$V_f$	1.9 V
Filament current	$I_f$	21.5 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	2 min <sup>1)</sup>

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm

Base: Spec. 3p



Socket: 1285

Mounting position: vertical, base down

Net weight: 500 g

<sup>1)</sup> See page 2.

## TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	10 V
Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	22 V

In order to obtain the above-mentioned ignition voltage of 22 V, an auxiliary D.C. supply unit delivering min. 40 V, 10 mA power, should be connected via a current-limiting resistor to the auxiliary ignition electrode  $a_H$  (+) and to the cathode (-). The Philips Auxiliary Ignition Unit type 1289 is recommended for this purpose.

## OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS

Circuit See Appl. dir.	$V_{tr}$ ( $V_{RMS}$ )	$V_o$ (V)	$I_o$ (A)
a	115	85	15
e	115	120	30
f	105	120	45
g	115	110	45

## LIMITING VALUES (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode voltage, inverse peak	$V_{ainvp}$	max. 360 V
Anode current, average	$I_a$ ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 5 \text{ s}$ )	max. 7.5 A
peak	$I_{ap}$	max. 45 A
Surge current	$I_{surge}$ ( $T = \text{max. } 0.1 \text{ s}$ )	max. 375 A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$	min. 0.25 $\Omega$
Mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$	min. 30 $^{\circ}\text{C}$
		max. 80 $^{\circ}\text{C}$

<sup>1)</sup> Recommended value. If urgently wanted this value may be decreased to 1 min. In order to obtain a suitable time delay use can be made of the time delay switch type 4152. After transport or after a long interruption of service  $T_w = 5$  minutes.

## DOUBLE ANODE RECTIFYING TUBE

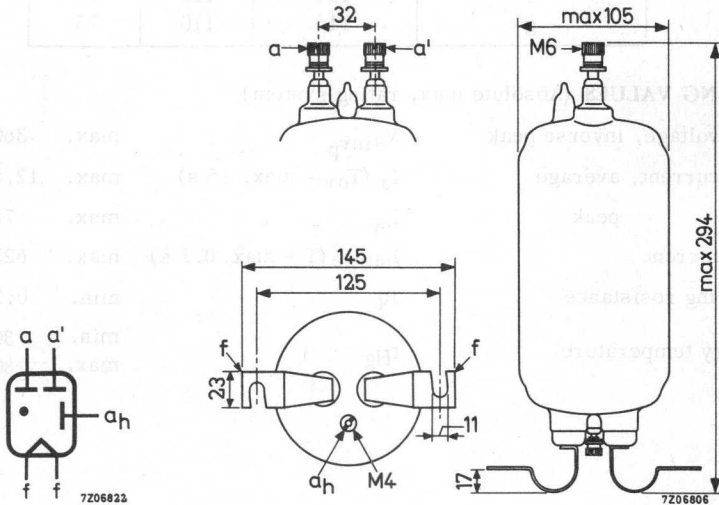
Mercury vapour and gasfilled double anode rectifying tube intended for use in cinema rectifier 25 A each tube.

**HEATING:** direct by A. C., oxide coated filament

Filament voltage	$V_f$	1.9 V
Filament current	$I_f$	29 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	2 min 1)

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm



Mounting position: vertical, base down

Net weight: 600 g

1) See page 2.

## TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	10 V
Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	22 V

In order to obtain the above-mentioned ignition voltage of 22 V, an auxiliary D.C. supply unit delivering min. 40 V, 10 mA power, should be connected via a current-limiting resistor to the auxiliary ignition electrode  $a_H$  (+) and to the cathode (-). The Philips Auxiliary Ignition Unit type 1289 is recommended for this purpose.

## OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS

Circuit See Appl. dir.	$V_{tr}$ ( $V_{RMS}$ )	$V_o$ (V)	$I_o$ (A)
a	115	85	25
e	115	120	50
f	105	120	75
g	115	110	75

## LIMITING VALUES (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode voltage, inverse peak	$V_{ainvp}$	max.	360 V
Anode current, average	$I_a$ ( $T_{av} = \max. 15 \text{ s}$ )	max.	12.5 A
peak	$I_{ap}$	max.	75 A
Surge current	$I_{surge}$ ( $T = \max. 0.1 \text{ s}$ )	max.	625 A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$	min.	0.2 $\Omega$
Mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$	min.	30 $^{\circ}\text{C}$
		max.	80 $^{\circ}\text{C}$

<sup>1)</sup> Recommended value. If urgently wanted this value may be decreased to 1 min. In order to obtain a suitable time delay use can be made of the time delay switch type 4152. After transport or after a long interruption of service  $T_w = 5$  minutes.



## DOUBLE ANODE RECTIFYING TUBE

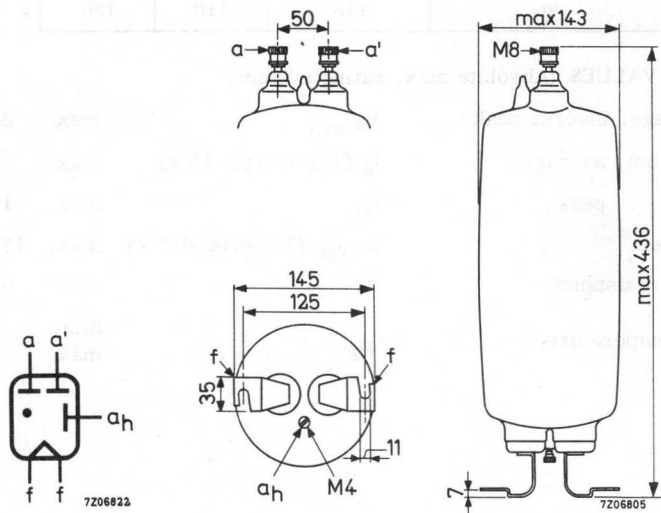
Mercury vapour and gasfilled double anode rectifying tube intended for use in cinema rectifiers 50 A each tube.

**HEATING:** direct by A. C., oxide coated filament

Filament voltage	$V_f$	1.9 V
Filament current	$I_f$	60 A
Waiting time	$T_w$	2 min <sup>1)</sup>

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm



Mounting position: vertical, base down

Net weight: 1650 g

<sup>1)</sup> See page 2.

## TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$	12 V
Ignition voltage	$V_{ign}$	28 V

In order to obtain the above-mentioned ignition voltage of 28 V, an auxiliary D.C. supply unit delivering min. 40 V, 10 mA power, should be connected via a current-limiting resistor to the auxiliary ignition electrode  $a_h$  (+) and to the cathode (-). The Philips Auxiliary Ignition Unit type 1289 is recommended for this purpose.

## OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS

Circuit See Appl. dir.	$V_{tr}$ ( $V_{RMS}$ )	$V_o$ (V)	$I_o$ (A)
a	115	85	50
e	115	120	100
f	105	120	150
g	115	110	150

## LIMITING VALUES (Absolute max. rating system)

Anode voltage, inverse peak	$V_{ainvp}$	max.	360 V
Anode current, average	$I_a$ ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 15 \text{ s}$ )	max.	25 A
peak	$I_{ap}$	max.	150 A
Surge current	$I_{surge}$ ( $T = \text{max. } 0.1 \text{ s}$ )	max.	1250 A
Protecting resistance	$R_t$	min.	0.1 $\Omega$
Mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$	min.	30 $^{\circ}\text{C}$
		max.	80 $^{\circ}\text{C}$

<sup>1)</sup> Recommended value. If urgently wanted this value may be decreased to 1 min. In order to obtain a suitable time delay use can be made of the time delay switch type 4152. After transport or after a long interruption of service  $T_w = 5$  minutes.

RECOMMENDED TYRES FOR NEW EQUIPMENT

Ignitrons

# Ignitrons

XX1051  
XX1052  
XX1053  
XX1054  
X XX1055  
XX1060  
X  
XX1081  
XX1082  
XX1083  
XX1084



RECOMMENDED TYPES FOR NEW EQUIPMENT

Ignitrons

ZX1051

ZX1052

ZX1053

X ZX1055

X ZX1060

ZX1061

ZX1062

ZX1063



## GENERAL OPERATIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS IGNITRONS

The following instructions and recommendations are generally applicable to all ignitron types. When there are variations for a particular type of tube, specific recommendations are given on the appropriate data sheets. The absolute maximum rating system is used for ignitrons.

### MOUNTING

Ignitrons must be mounted vertically to within  $\pm 3^\circ$  the cathode terminal facing downwards. The tubes should be mounted so that the leads and supporting members do not impose stresses on the metal-to-glass seals.

The cross-section of the tube supports should be sufficient to bear the weight of the tube and to carry the required current.

The tube cathode connection must be fixed to its support by means of steel bolts, which should be well tightened.

The anode cable must be fixed to the corresponding terminal on the apparatus using a steel bolt.

Where applicable the anode cable must also be connected to the tube lead-in with a steel bolt using two wrenches.

A check should be made periodically to ensure that the bolts are securely fixed and the contact surfaces still clean. This must be done in any case after the first few hours of operation following the installation of a new tube. Discoloration of the contact area is indicative of a poor contact.

In making the cathode and ignitor connections, care should be taken not to damage the ignitor lead-in. It is recommended to use the ignitor cable supplied by the manufacturer.

Ignitrons are mechanically strong and will withstand moderate shocks. Operation will be most stable however, if they are protected against shock and vibration which would disturb the surface of the mercury pool and tend to change the tube operating characteristics.

Ignitrons must be shielded against strong R.F. and magnetic fields.

## WATER COOLING

The cooling water must satisfy the following requirements as regards the content of solids and soluble chemicals:

1. pH 7 to 9
2. Max. weight of chlorides per litre 15 mg.  
Max. weight of nitrates per litre 25 mg.  
Max. weight of sulphates per litre 25 mg.
3. Max. weight of insoluble solids per litre 25 mg.
4. Total hardness per litre max. 10 German degrees/18 French degrees/12.5 English degrees/10.5 US degrees.
5. Specific resistance min. 2000  $\Omega$ cm.

In most cases tap-water will satisfy these requirements. If the water locally available is unsuitable a system of cooling employing a heat exchanger with sufficient suitable water in circulation can alternatively be used.

The temperature of the cooling water should be at least 10 °C.

The water-hoses must be of electrically insulating material and should be connected to the ignitrons so that the water enters the water jacket at the bottom and leaves it at the top. Up to 3 tubes may be cooled in series. The hoses should have a length of at least 50 cm in order to ensure that the electrical resistance of the internal water column is sufficiently high. They should be fixed by means of clamps to the hose nipples, care being taken that no leakage can occur. The water must be allowed to flow freely from the last tube into a funnel, which enables the water flow to be easily checked and prevents the water pressure in the jackets from becoming excessive. The water pressure in the tube jackets should never exceed 3.5 atm (50 pounds/square inch).

The water jackets of ignitrons are normally connected to the mains and thus have mains potential to earth. When thermostatic switches are used they must therefore be capable of withstanding this operating voltage. Should the thermostat not be rated for mains voltages an isolating step-down transformer can be used to protect it from damage.

The tubes should not be put into operation until all air is removed from the cooling system and filling completed. This is indicated by water flowing from the outlet pipe on the last tube.

The cooling system should be installed so that the water jackets are not emptied by the water flowing or syphoning away. As an aid to ensuring that the tubes have been correctly installed a useful test is to momentarily close the stop valve after filling and check that after a brief interval the outflow of water ceases. A continuous flow of water when the stop valve is closed is evidence of faulty installation and may result in the tubes being completely drained when the equipment is finally shut down. When recommencing operations unless an interval is allowed for refilling this may endanger the tubes.

### Important note

In the tube data, ratings are given for the required waterflow as a function of the average tube current and water inlet temperature. It is often more economical to use continuous water cooling according to the reduced cooling ratings rather than a water saving thermostat and solenoid valve. This enables a more constant tube temperature to be obtained which, moreover improves the life expectancy of the tube.

### TUBE PROTECTION

Care must be taken to ensure that the prescribed temperature limits of ignitrons are never exceeded. When the tubes are cooled with tapwater the temperature of which remains within the rated limits, it is generally sufficient to ensure that an adequate quantity of water flows through the jacket. To prevent the temperature of the tubes becoming excessive in the event of a failure of the water supply, e.g.: stopped-up or defective hoses, insufficient pressure of the water mains, accidentally closed main cock etc. a protecting thermostat should be used. If the temperature limit set by the protecting thermostat is exceeded either the ignition circuits of the ignitrons are interrupted or the main circuit breaker is tripped by means of a relay. The protecting thermostat, which should be mounted on the last tube of a series, should not actuate its relay under normal operating conditions.

In a three phase welding service using 6 tubes it is recommended that not more than 3 tubes are connected hydraulically in series for cooling purposes. When ignitrons are used for heavy power switching at a high duty factor the internal tube temperature rises very rapidly. Under such conditions it is advisable for the cooling water to circulate through the jackets as soon as the master switch is closed.

### Note

When ignitrons are used as rectifiers with the cathode not at earth potential, an electrolytic erosion target connected to the metal envelope may be used to avoid corrosion of tube parts.

### SWITCHING

Before firing and during operation the anode and lead-in insulator should always be at a higher temperature than the cooling water. If necessary, a suitable heating device can be used to maintain the required temperature difference.

Care must be taken not to touch live parts, such as the water jackets which are at full line voltage. Some tube types have a plastic-coated water jacket which can withstand voltages up to 3 kV. With this type water condensation on the jacket is kept to a minimum under conditions of high humidity and low cooling water temperature. The uncoated tube parts are at full line voltage.

To prevent mercury from re-condensing on the anode and the anode insulator when the installation is switched off, the cooling water should be allowed to flow through the tubes so that all internal parts are evenly cooled down; this normally takes from 15 to 30 minutes.

Incompletely cooled tubes must always be kept with the anode connection uppermost.

Mercury may also condense on the anode insulator as a result of cold air draught in the vicinity of the tube. It is then necessary either to prevent the occurrence of the air flow or to ensure that the anode and anode insulator are not cooled down to a temperature below that of the cooling water.

### SPARE TUBES

In order to have some tubes available in a ready-for-use condition it is advisable to place an adequate number of tubes with the anodes uppermost under a lighted incandescent lamp. The heat produced by the lamp is sufficient to remove any mercury deposits on the anode insulator.

### TUBE RATINGS

Parameters of the particular ignitron type are the demand and max. average currents.

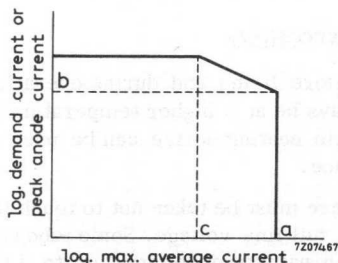
The demand is the total permissible power which an ignitron contactor can handle in a single-phase control system (acting as a power switch). It is equal to the product of the R.M.S. values of line voltage and contactor current.

The max. average current is valid for a limited demand (or peak current) only. For higher demands or higher peak currents the permissible average current must be reduced as indicated on the particular derating curve.

The longest time over which the max. average current may be calculated is the max. averaging time.

Diagram showing the relationship between max. average anode current and demand or peak anode current respectively:

- a) Max. average anode current for lower demand or peak currents.
- b) Demand (peak current) up to which this value applies.
- c) Max. average current at max. demand or peak current.





All data assumes full cycle conduction with an equally distributed load on all ignitrons, regardless of whether phase control is used.

The load must be limited so that at zero phase delay no overload will result. The parameters of a particular ignitron give the derived values, depending on line voltage. The parameters may be calculated as follows:

1) Demand current:  $I_{RMS} = \frac{P \text{ (kVA)}}{V \text{ (VRMS)}} \cdot 1000 \text{ (ARMS)}$  P = demand  
V = line voltage

2) Max. duty factor:  $\delta = 2.22 \frac{I_{AV}}{I_{RMS}} \cdot 100 \text{ (%)}$   $I_{AV}$  = max. av. current

3) Max. number of cycles within max. averaging time:

$$n = f \cdot \frac{\delta}{100} \cdot T_{AVmax} \quad f = \text{mains frequency}$$

4) Integrated R.M.S. load current:

$$I_F = I_{RMS} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\delta}{100}} \text{ (ARMS)}$$

The tube parameters are tabulated for every ignitron type at several values of mains voltage.

#### IGNITOR RATINGS

The ignitor of an ignitron should never carry a negative current, i.e. current resulting from the ignitor being negative with respect to cathode.

The possibility of this occurring can be avoided by incorporating a rectifying element in the ignitor circuit.

The ignitor current and voltage required to ensure reliable firing of the tube is given on the ignitron data sheet. In addition, maximum limiting values are quoted which must not be exceeded.

#### IGNITION CIRCUITS

Two types of excitation are in common use:

A. Self (anode) excitation used in single phase resistance welding and similar applications.

B. Separate excitation used in all other applications.

Typical examples are given in fig.1 (self excitation) and fig.2 (separate excitation).

For both circuits two fuses,  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are recommended.

$F_1$  safeguards the ignition circuit;  $F_2$  is connected directly in series with the ignitor, protecting it against shorting between the main anode and ignition circuits.

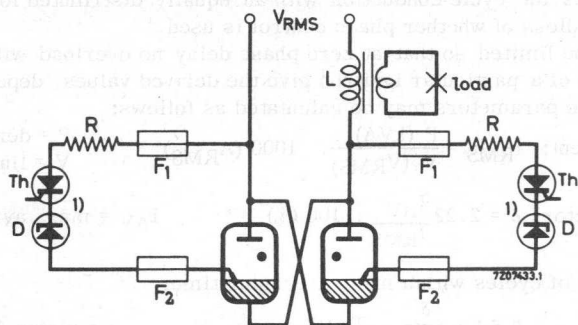


Fig. 1

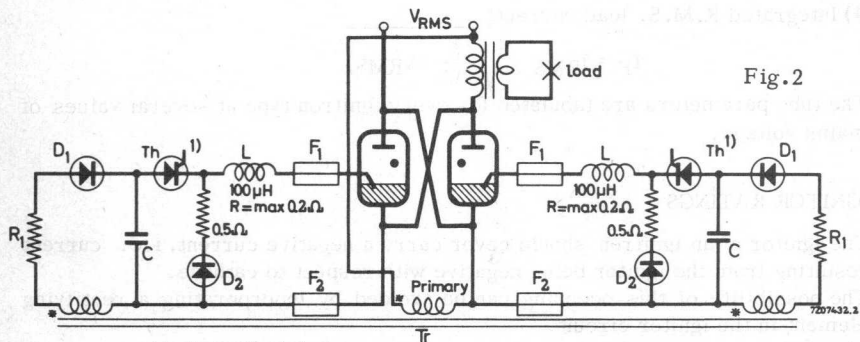


Fig. 2

\* Indicate identical phase

The ignitor must be connected to its control circuit by a screened lead which affords protection against R.F. fields. It is inadvisable to operate separate excitation in the absence of anode mains voltage.

#### A. Anode excitation (fig. 1)

The "Ignitor voltage required to fire", must not be interpreted as the instantaneous value of mains voltage at the instant of ignition, but as the voltage measured between the ignitor lead-in and cathode. The values of the resistors in the ignition circuit and the level of supply voltage should be chosen so that the prescribed value of voltage is applied to the ignitor.

Recommended values of R are given in the data sheets. Deviations from these recommended values may impair the performance of the tube.

To ensure a short and reproducible delay between the firing of the ignitor and anode take-over, the rate of rise of ignition current must be sufficiently high. The current rise time is mainly determined by the reactance of the load and at high load reactances it may be too small for proper ignition. In such circumstances separate excitation can be successfully used.

## B. Separate excitation (fig.2)

With separate excitation ignition of the ignitron is independent of the anode circuit parameters. This method is therefore suitable for rectifiers and for A.C. control circuits where the available voltage at the desired ignition angle is, or is very nearly, below the required minimum value for reliable firing.

## AUXILIARY ANODE CIRCUIT

When a rectifier feeds a load which generates a back e.m.f., the available voltage between the main anode and cathode will often be insufficient to ensure takeover of the arc discharge when the tube is fired. Moreover, if the ignition current is too small, the main discharge may cease prematurely.

For this reason ignitrons designed for use in rectifying equipment are provided with an auxiliary anode which maintains the arc discharge during the period when the main anode voltage falls below the minimum value necessary for continued conduction of the tube. The auxiliary anode should be connected to a low voltage A.C. source so that auxiliary anode current flows throughout tube conduction.

## MAIN CIRCUIT

When the main discharge of an ignitron is interrupted voltage transients are produced in the transformer primary due to its self-inductance, which may puncture the insulation of the transformer.

In resistance welding circuits the transients may be reduced by a damping resistor mounted across the transformer primary terminals. The values of the current drawn by this resistor are determined by the duty factor of the machine.

In rectifier circuits damping is obtained by a series R.C. circuit shunted across the transformer primary.

Cathode and/or anode breakers are usually required in addition to the supply switches, particularly when back e.m.f.'s are present.

## RATING SYSTEM

### ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATING SYSTEM

Absolute maximum ratings are limiting values of operating and environmental conditions applicable to any electronic device of a specified type as defined by its published data, which should not be exceeded under the worst probable conditions.

These values are chosen by the device manufacturer to provide acceptable serviceability of the device, taking no responsibility for equipment variations, environmental variations, and the effects of changes in operating conditions due to variations in the characteristics of the device under consideration and of all other electronic devices in the equipment.

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

Replaced by ZX1051

**IGNITRON**

B size ignitron intended for use in single-phase and three-phase resistance welding control and similar A.C. control applications.

The tube has a stainless steel water cooling jacket, quick change water connections and a temperature sensing pad for mounting of a thermostat.

**QUICK REFERENCE DATA**

Maximum demand power (two tubes in inverse parallel)	600 kVA
Maximum average current	56 A
Ignitor voltage	max. 200 V
Ignitor current	max. 12 A

**MECHANICAL DATA**

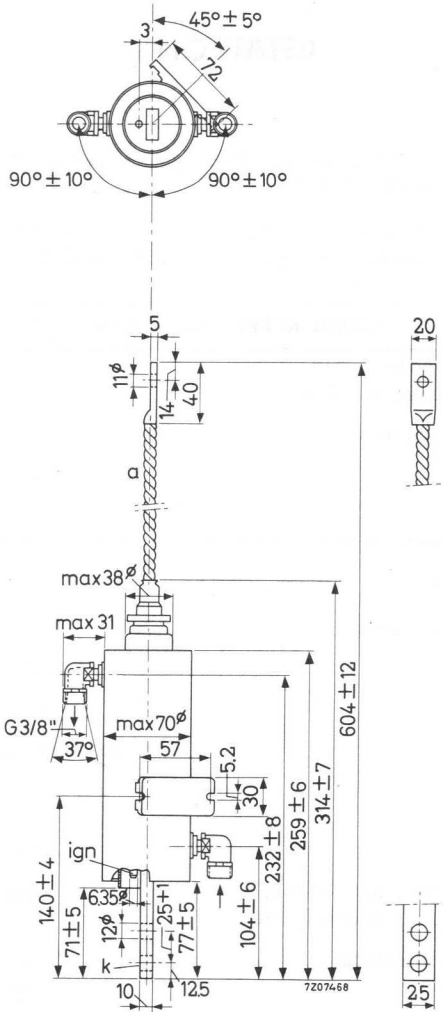
Dimensions and connections	see page 2
Net weight	1420 g
Shipping weight	2040 g
Mounting position	vertical, anode connection up

Accessories

Ignitor cable	type 55351
Water hose connections: hose nipple	type TE1051c
coupling nut	type TE1051b
Overload protection thermostat	type 55306 or 55318
Water economy thermostat	type 55305 or 55317

DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm



Replaced by ZX1052

**IGNITRON**

C size ignitron intended for use in single-phase resistance welding control and similar A.C. control applications.

The tube has a stainless steel watercooling jacket, quick change water connections and a temperature sensing pad for mounting of a thermostat.

**QUICK REFERENCE DATA**

Maximum demand power (two tubes in inverse parallel)	1200 kVa
Maximum average current	140 A
Ignitor voltage	max. 200 V
Ignitor current	max. 12 A

**MECHANICAL DATA**

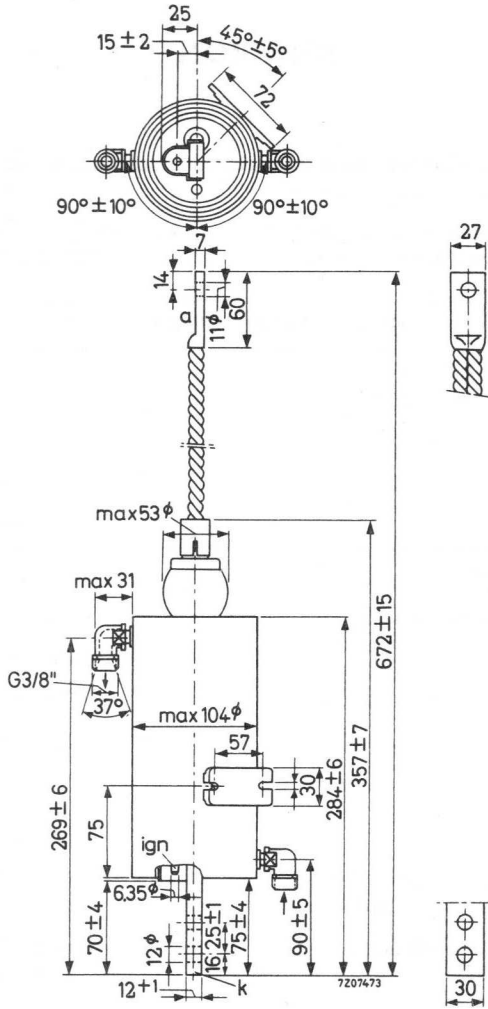
Dimensions and connections	see page 2
Net weight	3200 g
Shipping weight	4460 g
Mounting position	vertical, anode connection up

Accessories

Ignitor cable	type 55351
Water hose connections: hose nipple coupling nut	type TE1051c type TE1051b
Over load protection thermostat	type 55306 or 55318
Water economy thermostat	type 55305 or 55317

DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm





Replaced by ZX1053

**IGNITRON**

D size ignitron intended for use in single-phase and three-phase resistance welding control and similar A.C. control applications.

The tube has a stainless steel watercooling jacket, quick change water connections and a temperature sensing pad for mounting of a thermostat.

**QUICK REFERENCE DATA**

Maximum demand power (two tubes in inverse parallel)	2400 kVA
Maximum average current	355 A
Ignitor voltage	max. 200 V
Ignitor current	max. 12 A

**MECHANICAL DATA**

Dimensions and connections	see page 2
Net weight	9.4 kg
Shipping weight	12 kg
Mounting position	vertical anode connection up

Accessories

Ignitor cable	type 55351
Water hose connections: hose nipple	type TE1051c
coupling nut	type TE1051b
Overload protection thermostat	type 55306 or 55318
Water economy thermostat	type 55305 or 55317



## IGNITRON

D-size ignitron intended for use in rectifier circuits and in single-phase and three-phase welding control and similar A.C. control applications.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Maximum demand power (two tubes in inverse parallel)	2400	kVA
Maximum average current	207	A
Ignitor voltage	max. 200	V
Ignitor current	max. 15	A

### MECHANICAL DATA

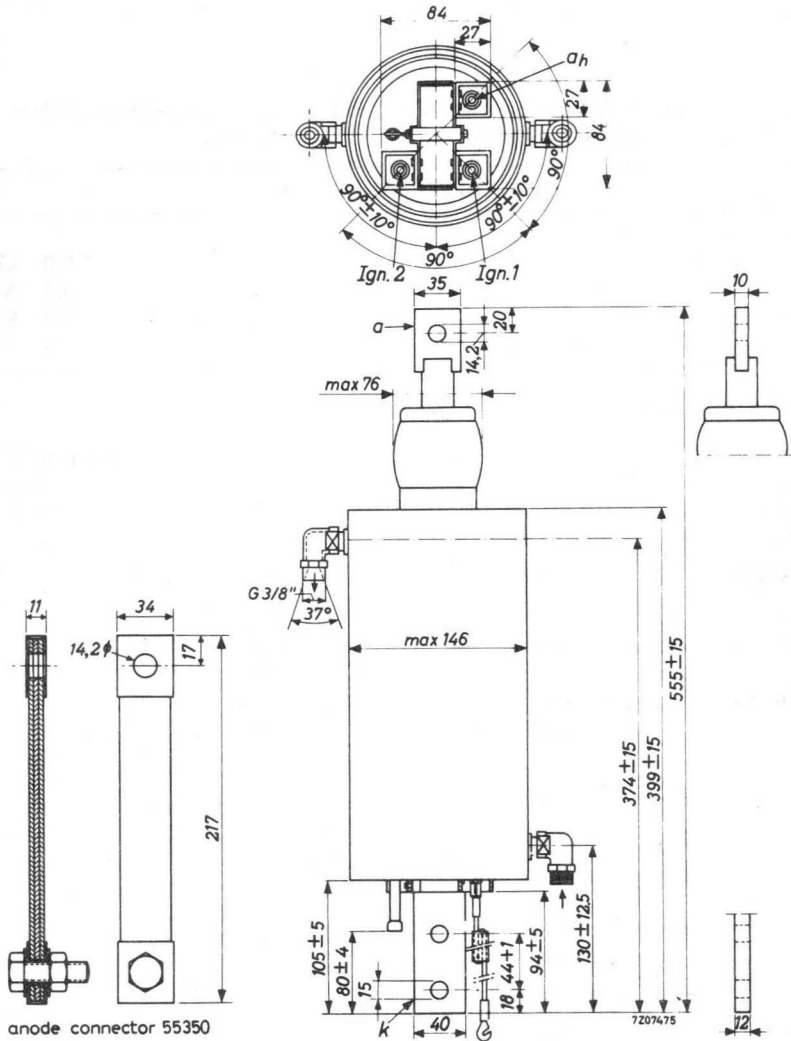
Dimensions and connections	see page 2
Net weight	9.6 kg
Shipping weight	12.6 kg

### ACCESSORIES

Ignitor cable	type 55351
Auxiliary anode cable	type 55351
Anode cable	type 55350
Water hose connections: hose nipple	type TE1051c
coupling nut	type TE1051b

DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm



anode connector 55350

**TEMPERATURE LIMITS AND COOLING**

**TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Pressure drop of cooling water ( $q = 9 \text{ l/min}$ )	$p_i$	max. 0.2	$\text{kg/cm}^2$
Temperature rise at max. average current ( $q = 9 \text{ l/min}$ )	$t_o - t_i$	5.5	$^{\circ}\text{C}$

**LIMITING VALUES**

Required water flow, at max. average current at no load	$\dot{q}$	min. 9	$\text{l/min}$
	$\dot{q}$	min. 3	$\text{l/min}$
Inlet temperature, for substantially constant load <sup>1)</sup> for widely fluctuating load <sup>1)</sup>	$t_i$	min. 6	$^{\circ}\text{C}$ <sup>2)</sup>
	$t_i$	min. 20	$^{\circ}\text{C}$

<sup>1)</sup> When a number of tubes is cooled in series,  $t_i$  min. refers to the coldest tube.

<sup>2)</sup> Recommended value min.  $10^{\circ}\text{C}$

**ELECTRICAL DATA**

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

The limiting values are based on full cycle conduction duty, with equally distributed load on all ignitrons, regardless of whether phase control is used or not. The load must be limited so that at zero phase delay no overload will result.

Rectifier service and three-phase frequency changer

Mains frequency range	f	25 to 60	Hz
Max. anode voltage, forward peak	$V_{ap}$	max. 900	2100 V
reverse peak	$V_{invp}$	max. 900	2100 V
Max. anode current, peak	$I_{ap}$	max. 1800	1200 A
, average	$I_{av}$	max. 200	150 A
, average 1) 3)	$I_{av}$	max. 300	225 A
, average 2) 3)	$I_{av}$	max. 400	300 A
Max. surge current, $T_{max} = 0.15$ s	$I_{surge}$	max. 12000	9000 A

Single phase A.C. control two tubes in inverse parallel connection

Mains frequency range	f	25 to 60	Hz
Max. mains voltage	V	max. 2400	2400 $V_{RMS}$
Max. demand power	P	max. 2400	1105 kVA
Max. average current, $T_{AV} \text{ max. } 1.66$ s	$I_{av}$	max. 135	207 A
Max. surge current, $T_{max} = 0.15$ s	$I_{surge}$	max. 6000	6000 A

**LIMITING VALUES** for auxiliary anode

Max. anode voltage, forward peak	$V_a$	max. 160	V
inverse peak	$V_{invp}$	max. 25	V 4)
inverse peak	$V_{invp}$	max. 160	V 5)
Max. anode current, peak	$I_{ahp}$	max. 20	A
average, $T_{AV} = \text{max. } 10$ s	$I_{ah}$	max. 5	A

- 1) Two-hours overload;  $T_{AV} = \text{max. } 2$  min; repeated not more than once every 24 h.
- 2) One minute overload;  $T_{AV} = \text{max. } 1$  min; repeated not more than once every 2 h.
- 3) Overload based on the thermal characteristics of the ignitron. During the intervals between the specified overloads, the rated continuous load may not be exceeded. The two specified periods with overload may not overlap.
- 4) Main anode conducting
- 5) Main anode not conducting

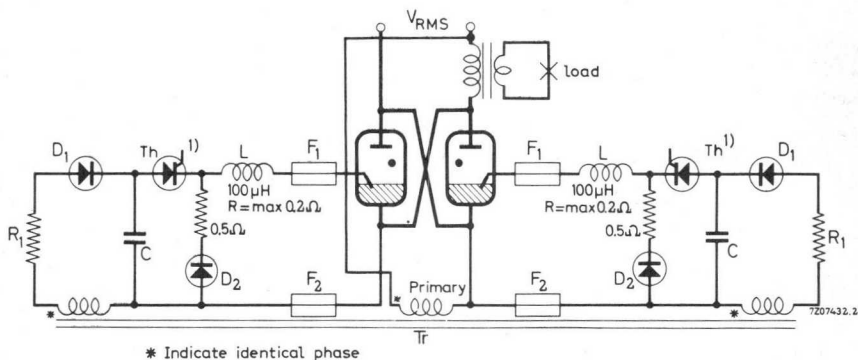
**IGNITOR CHARACTERISTICS AND CIRCUIT REQUIREMENTS**

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Ignitor voltage, forward peak	$V_{igp}$	max.	$V_{ap}$
inverse peak (including any transients)	$-V_{igp}$	max.	5 V
Ignitor current, forward peak	$I_{igp}$	max.	100 A
forward RMS	$I_{igRMS}$	max.	15 A
forward average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 10 \text{ s}$ )	$I_{ig}$	max.	2 A

Separate excitation

Recommended circuit for separate excitation



Capacitor value	2	$\mu\text{F}$
Capacitor voltage	650	V $\pm 10\%$
Peak value of closed circuit current	80	to 100 A

1) The thyristor may be substituted by a thyatron

TESTING AND CIRCUIT REQUIREMENTS

1. Test voltage: 100 V  
 2. Test current: 100 A  
 3. Test frequency: 50 Hz  
 4. Test duration: 10 min  
 5. Test temperature: 25°C



The following table provides a summary of the test results and circuit requirements for the device under test. The data is presented in a tabular format for clarity.

Parameter	Value	Unit
Test Voltage	100	V
Test Current	100	A
Test Frequency	50	Hz
Test Duration	10	min
Test Temperature	25	°C

The test results indicate that the device meets the required specifications for all parameters listed above. The circuit requirements are also satisfied, ensuring reliable operation under the specified conditions.



## IGNITRON

B size ignitron intended for use in single-phase and three-phase resistance welding control and similar A.C. control applications.

The tube has a plastic coated stainless steel watercooling jacket, quick change water connections and a temperature sensing pad for mounting of a thermostat.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Maximum demand power (two tubes in inverse parallel)	600 kVA
Maximum average current	56 A
Ignitor voltage	150 V
Ignitor current	max. 12 A

### MECHANICAL DATA

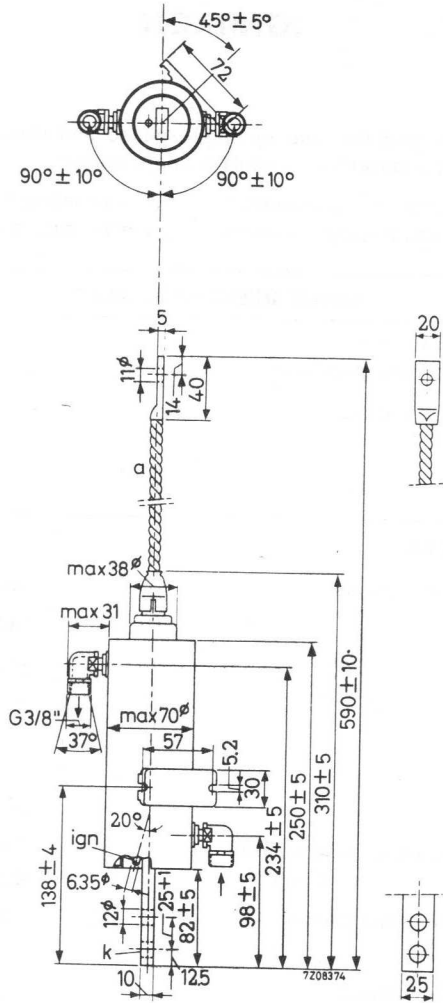
Dimensions and connections	see page 2
Net weight	1420 g
Shipping weight	2040 g
Mounting position	vertical, anode connection up

### Accessories

Ignitor cable	type 55351
Water hose connections: hose nipple coupling nut	type TE1051c type TE1051b
Overload protection thermostat	type 55306 or 55318
Water economy thermostat	type 55305 or 55317

DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm



**TEMPERATURE LIMITS AND COOLING**

**TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Pressure drop of cooling water ( $q = 2 \text{ l/min}$ )	$P_i$	max. 0.08	$\text{kg/cm}^2$
Temperature rise at max. average current ( $q = 2 \text{ l/min}$ )	$t_o - t_i$	max. 6	$^{\circ}\text{C}$

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

A.C. control service

Required water flow at max. average current (See also page 9)	$q$	min. 2	$\text{l/min}$
Inlet temperature <sup>1)</sup>	$t_i$	min. 10 max. 40	$^{\circ}\text{C}$
Temperature of thermostat mount <sup>2)</sup>	$t_m$	max. 50	$^{\circ}\text{C}$

Intermittent rectifier service or three-phase welding service

Required continuous water flow at max. average current	$q$	min. 2	$\text{l/min}$
Inlet temperature <sup>1)</sup>	$t_i$	min. 10 max. 35	$^{\circ}\text{C}$
Temperature of thermostat mount <sup>2)</sup>	$t_m$	max. 45	$^{\circ}\text{C}$

Pulse service

Under conditions of pulse service with low average load (less than 1 A) continuous cooling is normally not required. The cooling jacket can e.g. be permanently filled with oil.

Care should be taken to prevent condensation of mercury at the anode or glass seal. See also "Application directions ignitrons".

Recommended condensed mercury temperature	$t_{\text{Hg}}$	25 to 30	$^{\circ}\text{C}$
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<sup>1)</sup> When a number of tubes is cooled in series,  $t_{i \text{ min}}$  refers to the coldest tube and  $t_{i \text{ max}}$  to the hottest tube.

<sup>2)</sup> WARNING. The thermostat mount is at full line voltage. When the cooling systems of a number of tubes are connected in series the overload protecting thermostat should be mounted on the last and the water economy thermostat on the last but one tube.

**ELECTRICAL DATA**

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

The limiting values are based on full cycle conduction duty, with equally distributed load on all ignitrons, regardless of whether phase control is used or not.

The load must be limited so that at zero phase delay no overload will result.

Single phase A.C. control, two tubes in inverse parallel connection.

Table I. See also pages 10, 11 and 12.

Mains frequency range	f	25 to 60					Hz
Mains voltage	V	220 <sup>1)</sup>	250	380	500	600	V <sub>RMS</sub>
Max. averaging time	T <sub>av max</sub>	18	18	11.8	9	7.5	s
A. Max. demand power							
Max. demand power	P <sub>max</sub>	530	600	600	600	600	kVA
Corresponding max. average current	I <sub>av</sub>	30.2	30.2	30.2	30.2	30.2	A
Demand current	I <sub>RMS</sub>	2400	2400	1600	1200	1000	A <sub>RMS</sub>
Duty factor	δ	2.8	2.8	4.2	5.6	6.7	%
Number of cycles within T <sub>av max</sub> . <sup>2)</sup>	n (50 Hz)	25	25	25	25	25	c/T <sub>av max</sub>
Integrated RMS load current	I <sub>F</sub>	400	400	320	280	260	A <sub>RMS</sub>
B. Max. average current							
Max. average current	I <sub>av max</sub>	56	56	56	56	56	A
Corresponding max. demand power	P	180	200	200	200	200	kVA
Demand current	I <sub>RMS</sub>	800	800	530	400	330	A <sub>RMS</sub>
Duty factor	δ	15.6	15.6	23.5	31.1	37.7	%
Number of cycles within T <sub>av max</sub> . <sup>2)</sup>	n (50 Hz)	140	140	140	140	140	c/T <sub>av max</sub>
Integrated RMS load current	I <sub>F</sub>	320	320	260	220	200	A <sub>RMS</sub>
Max. surge current (T <sub>max</sub> = 0.15 s)	I <sub>surge</sub>	6700	6700	4500	3400	2800	A

1) For mains voltages below 250 V<sub>RMS</sub> the max. demand current and max. averaging time valid at 250 V shall not be exceeded.

2) This is the maximum integrated number of cycles a pair of tubes may conduct with or without interruption during the maximum averaging time:  
 $n_{max} = \text{duty factor} \times T_{av \text{ max}} \times \text{mains frequency}.$

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system; continued)

Intermittent rectifier service or frequency changer resistance welding service

Mains frequency range	f	50 to 60		Hz
Anode voltage, forward peak	$V_{a\text{ fwd}_p}$ max	1200	1500	V
inverse peak	$V_{a\text{ inv}_p}$ max	1200	1500	V
<b>A. Max. peak current</b>				
Anode current, peak	$I_{ap}$ max	600	480	A
Corresponding average current	$I_{av}$	5	4	A
<b>B. Max. average current</b>				
Anode current, average	$I_{av}$ max	22.5	18	A
Corresponding peak current	$I_{ap}$	135	108	A
Averaging time	$T_{av}$ max	10	10	s
Ratio $I_a/I_{ap}$ ( $T_{av}$ = max. 0.5 s)	$I_a/I_{ap}$ max	1/6	1/6	
Ratio $I_{\text{surge}}/I_{ap}$ ( $T_{\text{max}}$ = 0.15 s)	$I_{\text{surge}}/I_{ap}$ max	12.5	12.5	

Pulse service

Under certain conditions this ignitron may be used to switch aperiodic current pulses to a very high value (up to 50 kA) and voltages up to 10 kV. The performance depends on the circuit in which the tube is used. The manufacturer should be consulted.



IGNITOR CHARACTERISTICS AND IGNITION CIRCUIT REQUIREMENTS

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Ignitor voltage, forward peak	$V_{igp}$	max. 2000	V
inverse peak (including any transients)	$-V_{igp}$	max. 5	V
Ignitor current, forward peak	$I_{igp}$	max. 100	A
inverse peak	$-I_{igp}$	max. 0	A
forward RMS	$I_{igRMS}$	max. 10	A
forward average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 5 \text{ s}$ )	$I_{ig}$	max. 1	A

A. Anode excitation

Ignitor characteristics

Firing voltage	$V_{ig}$	150	V
Firing current	$I_{ig}$	6 to 8	A
		max. 12	A

Ignition time at the above voltage or current	$T_{ig}$	max. 50	$\mu\text{s}$ <sup>1)</sup>
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Ignition circuit requirements

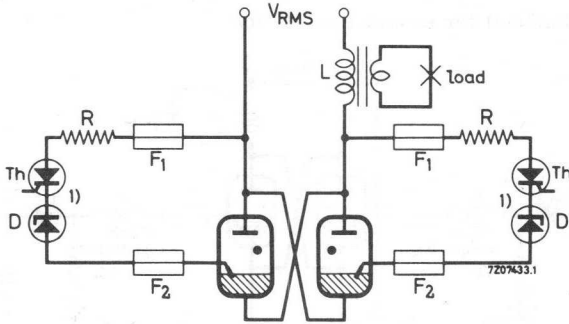
Peak voltage required to fire	$V_p$	min. 200	V
Peak current required to fire	$I_p$	min. 12	A
Rate of rise of ignitor current	$di/dT$	min. 0.1	A/ $\mu\text{s}$

<sup>1)</sup> Ignition time is taken from the instant that the stated voltage and current are reached.

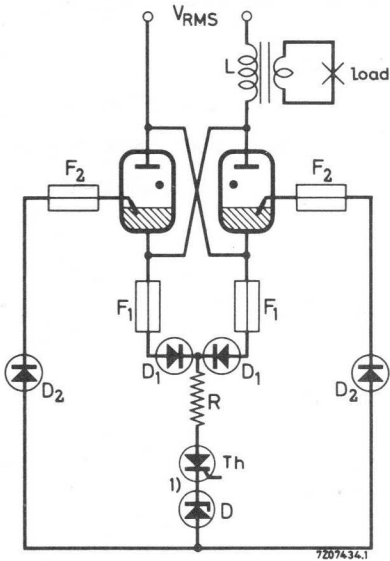
IGNITOR CHARACTERISTICS AND IGNITRON CIRCUIT REQUIREMENTS

(continued)

Recommended circuits for anode excitation



Anode excitation with individual thyristors



Anode excitation with common thyristor

$V_{RMS}$	220	250	380	500	600	V
R	2	2	4	5	6	$\Omega$
$F_1$	= 2 A fast response time					
$F_2$	= 10 A fast response time					
D	= zener voltage $\geq 18$ V					

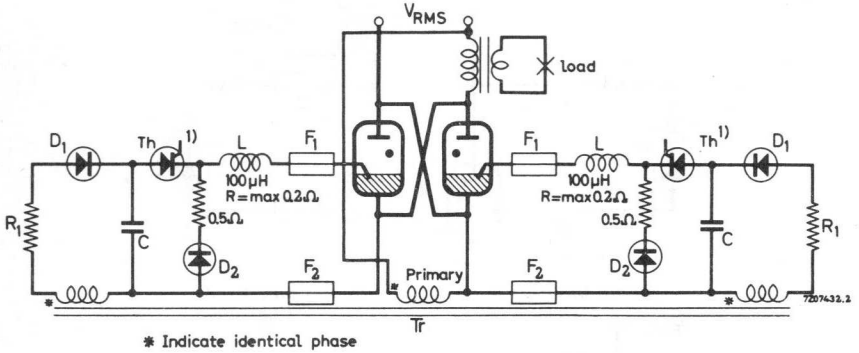
1) The thyristor-zener diode combination may be substituted by a thyatron.

IGNITOR CHARACTERISTICS AND IGNITION CIRCUIT REQUIREMENTS

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B. Separate excitation

Recommended circuit for separate excitation



Capacitor value

C 2 8  $\mu$ F

Capacitor voltage

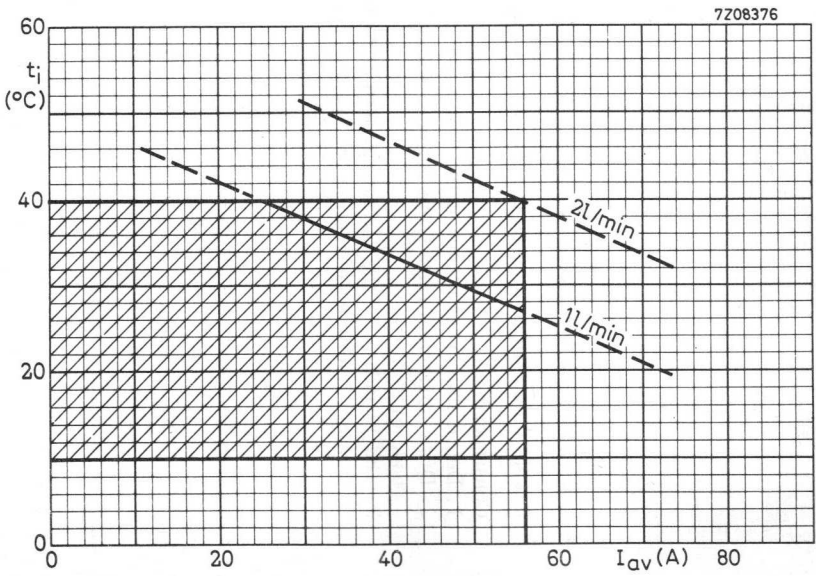
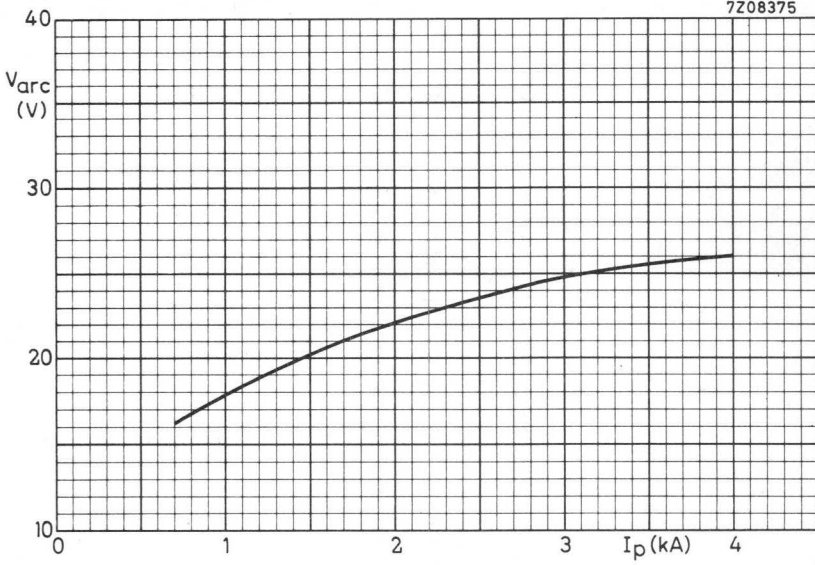
$V_C$  650 400 V  $\pm$  10%

Peak value of closed circuit current

80 to 100 A

1) The thyristor may be substituted by a thyatron.





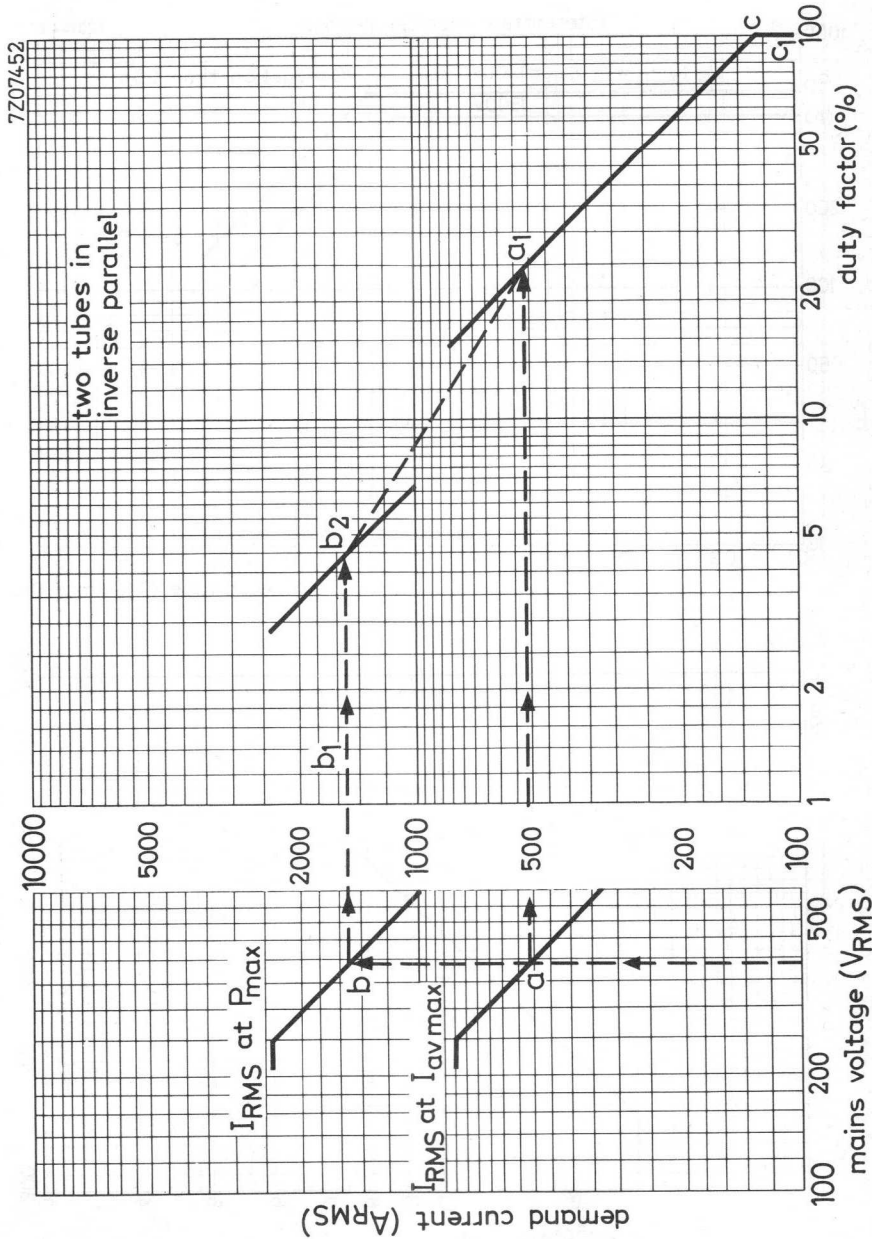
Minimum required continuous waterflow (two tubes cooled in series)

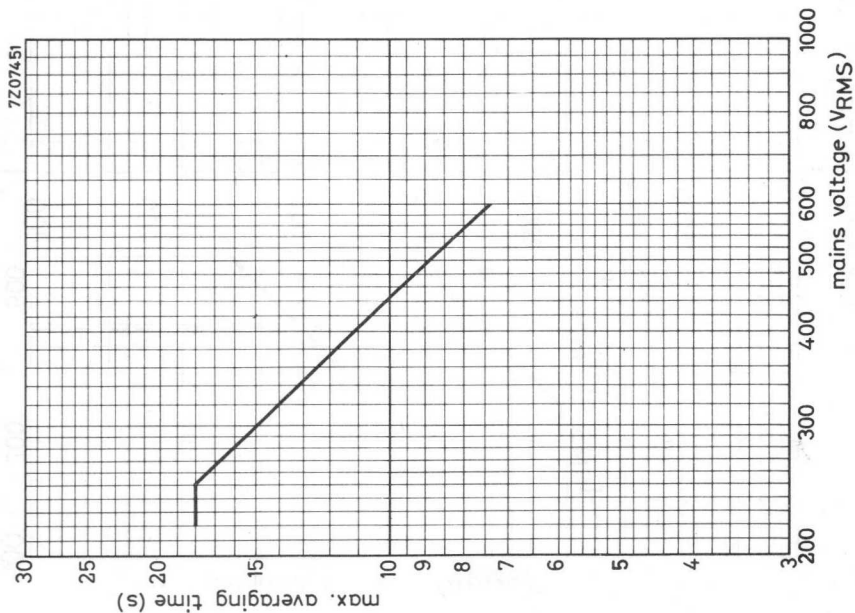
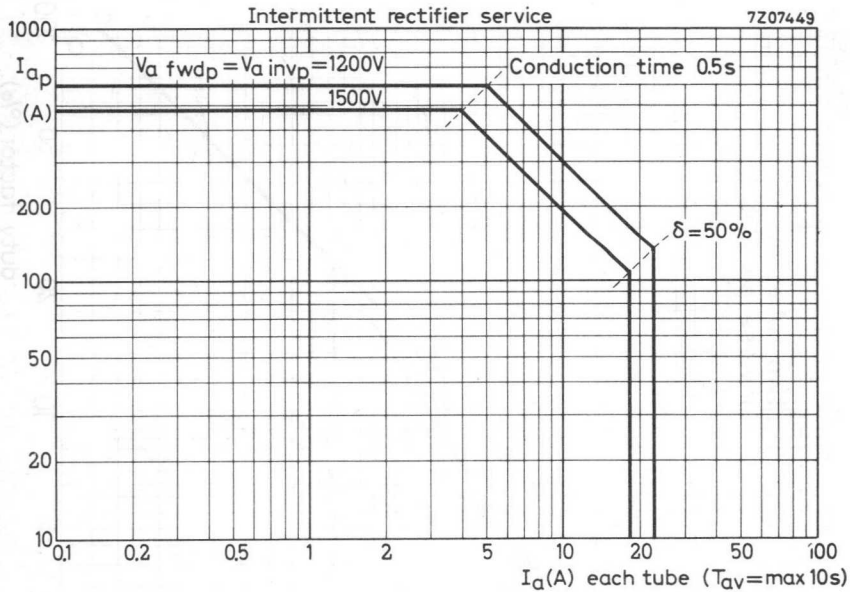
Graph to determine demand current versus duty factor as a function of the mains voltage (page 11)

Construction:

1. Determine cross points in the left hand graph for the chosen mains voltage (points a and b).
2. Draw horizontal lines from the points a and b to determine cross points  $a_1$  and  $b_2$  in the right hand graph.
3. The boundary of the operating area for the pertaining mains voltage is thus determined by straight line interconnections of  $b_1$ ,  $b_2$ ,  $a_1$ , c,  $c_1$ .

Not for intermittent rectifier service





## IGNITRON

C size ignitron intended for use in single-phase resistance welding control and similar A.C. control applications.

The tube has a plastic coated stainless steel watercooling jacket, quick change water connections and a temperature sensing pad for mounting of a thermostat.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Maximum demand power (two tubes in inverse parallel)	1200 kVA
Maximum average current	140 A
Ignitor voltage	150 V
Ignitor current	max. 12 A

### MECHANICAL DATA

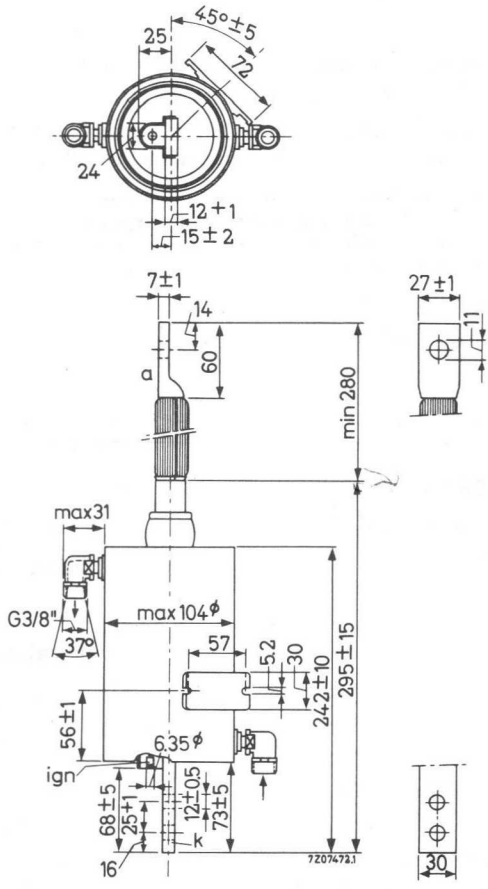
Dimensions and connections	see page 2
Net weight	2820 g
Shipping weight	4080 g
Mounting position	vertical, anode connection up

### Accessories

Ignitor cable	type 55351
Water hose connections: hose nipple coupling nut	type TE1051c type TE1051b
Overload protection thermostat	type 55306 or 55318
Water economy thermostat	type 55305 or 55317

DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm



## TEMPERATURE LIMITS AND COOLING

## TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Pressure drop of cooling water ( $q = 5$ l/min)	$p_i$	max. 0.16	kg/cm <sup>2</sup>
Temperature rise at max. average current ( $q = 5$ l/min)	$t_o - t_i$	max. 6	°C

## LIMITING VALUES (Absolute max. rating system)

A.C. control service

Required water flow at max. average current (See also page 10)	$q$	min. 5	l/min.
Inlet temperature <sup>1)</sup>	$t_i$	min. 10 max. 40	°C
Temperature of thermostat mount <sup>2)</sup>	$t_m$	max. 50	°C

Pulse service

Under conditions of pulse service with low average load (less than 1 A) continuous cooling is normally not required. The cooling jacket can e.g. be permanently filled with oil.

Care should be taken to prevent condensation of mercury at the anode or glass seal. See also "Application directions ignitrons"

Recommended condensed mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$	25 to 30	°C
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<sup>1)</sup> When a number of tubes is cooled in series,  $t_{i \min}$  refers to the coldest tube and  $t_{i \max}$ . to the hottest tube.

<sup>2)</sup> WARNING: The thermostat mount is at full line voltage.  
When the cooling systems of a number of tubes are connected in series the overload protecting thermostat should be mounted on the last and the water economy thermostat on the last but one tube.

**ELECTRICAL DATA**

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

The limiting values are based on full cycle conduction duty, with equally distributed load on all ignitrons, regardless of whether phase control is used or not.

The load must be limited so that at zero phase delay no overload will result.

Single phase A.C. control, two tubes in inverse parallel connection.

Table I. See also pages 8, 9, and 11

Mains frequency range	f	25 to 60					Hz
Mains voltage	V	220 <sup>1)</sup>	250	380	500	600	V <sub>RMS</sub>
Max. averaging time	T <sub>av</sub> max	14	14	9.4	7	5.8	s
<b>A. Max. demand power</b>							
Max. demand power	P <sub>max</sub>	1060	1200	1200	1200	1200	kVA
Corresponding max. average current	I <sub>av</sub>	75.6	75.6	75.6	75.6	75.6	A
Demand current	I <sub>RMS</sub>	4800	4800	3150	2400	2000	A <sub>RMS</sub>
Duty factor	δ	3.5	3.5	5.3	7.0	8.4	%
Number of cycles within T <sub>av</sub> max. <sup>2)</sup>	n (50 Hz)	25	25	25	25	25	c/T <sub>av</sub> max
Integrated RMS load current	I <sub>F</sub>	900	900	720	630	580	A <sub>RMS</sub>
<b>B. Max. average current</b>							
Max. average current	I <sub>av</sub> max	140	140	140	140	140	A
Corresponding max. demand power	P	350	400	400	400	400	kVA
Demand current	I <sub>RMS</sub>	1600	1600	1050	800	660	A <sub>RMS</sub>
Duty factor	δ	19.4	19.4	29.5	39.0	47.0	%
Number of cycles within T <sub>av</sub> max. <sup>2)</sup>	n (50 Hz)	140	140	140	140	140	c/T <sub>av</sub> max
Integrated RMS load current	I <sub>F</sub>	700	700	570	500	450	A <sub>RMS</sub>
Max. surge current (T <sub>max</sub> = 0.15 s)	I <sub>surge</sub>	13.5	13.5	9.0	6.7	5.7	kA

1) For mains voltages below 250 V<sub>RMS</sub> the max. demand current and max. averaging time valid at 250 V shall not be exceeded.

2) This is the maximum integrated number of cycles a pair of tubes may conduct with or without interruption during the maximum averaging time:  
 $n_{max} = \text{duty factor} \times T_{av} \text{ max} \times \text{mains frequency.}$



**ELECTRICAL DATA** (continued)Pulse service

Under certain conditions this ignitron may be used to switch aperiodic current pulses to a very high value (up to 100 kA) and voltages up to 10 kV. The performance depends on the circuit in which the tube is used. The manufacturer should be consulted.

IGNITOR CHARACTERISTICS AND IGNITION CIRCUIT REQUIREMENTS**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Ignitor voltage, forward peak	$V_{igp}$	max. 2000 V
inverse peak (including any transients)	$-V_{igp}$	max. 5 V
Ignitor current, forward peak	$I_{igp}$	max. 100 A
inverse peak	$-I_{igp}$	max. 0 A
forward RMS	$I_{igRMS}$	max. 10 A
forward average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 5 \text{ s}$ )	$I_{ig}$	max. 1 A

A. Anode excitationIgnitor characteristics

Firing voltage	$V_{ig}$	150 V
Firing current	$I_{ig}$	6 to 8 A max. 12 A
Ignition time at the above voltage or current	$T_{ig}$	max. 50 $\mu\text{s}$ <sup>1)</sup>

Ignition circuit requirements

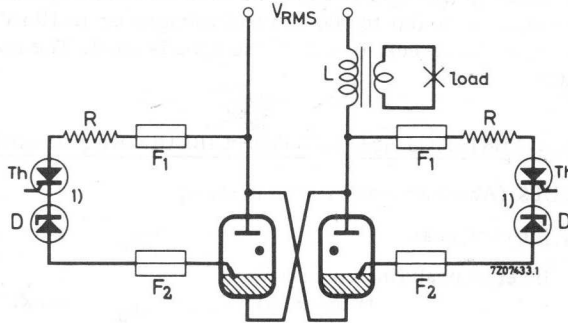
Peak voltage required to fire	$V_p$	min. 200 V
Peak current required to fire	$I_p$	min. 12 A
Rate of rise of ignitor current	$di/dT$	min. 0.1 A/ $\mu\text{s}$

<sup>1)</sup> Ignition time is taken from the instant that the stated voltage and current are reached.

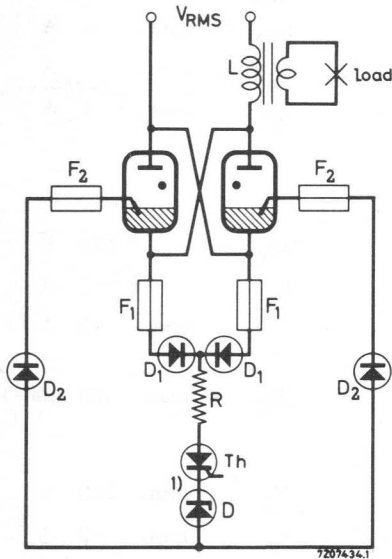
IGNITOR CHARACTERISTICS AND IGNITION CIRCUIT REQUIREMENTS

(continued)

Recommended circuits for anode excitation



Anode excitation with individual thyristors



Anode excitation with common thyristor

$V_{RMS}$	220	250	380	500	600	V
R	2	2	4	5	6	$\Omega$
$F_1$	= 2 A fast response time					
$F_2$	= 10 A fast response time					
D	= zener voltage $\geq 18$ V					

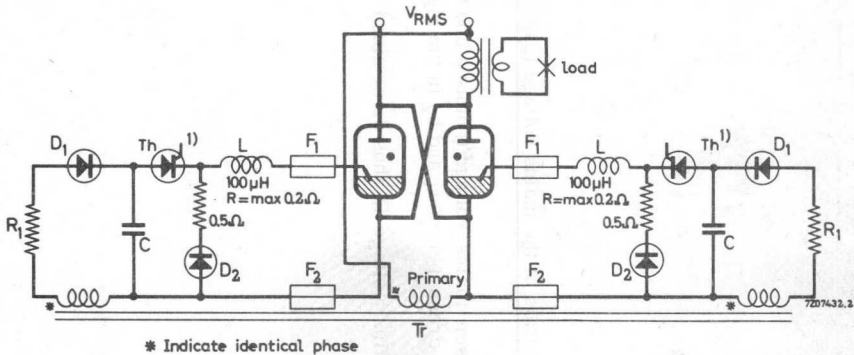
1) The thyristor-zener diode combination may be substituted by a thyatron.

IGNITOR CHARACTERISTICS AND IGNITION CIRCUIT REQUIREMENTS

(continued)

B. Separate excitation

Recommended circuit for separate excitation



Capacitor value

C 2 8 μF

Capacitor voltage

V<sub>C</sub> 650 400 V ± 10%

Peak value of closed circuit current

80 to 100 A

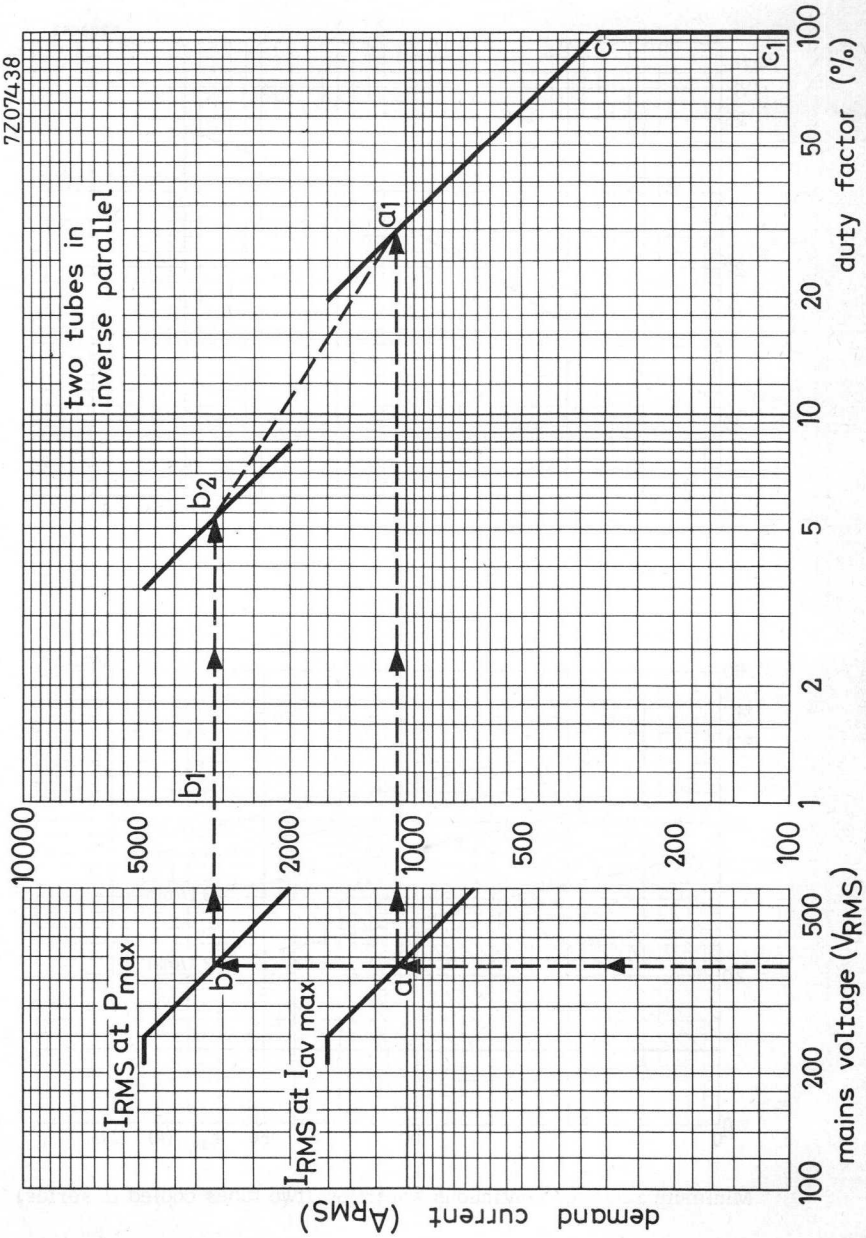
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Graph to determine demand current versus duty factor as a function of the mains voltage (page 9)

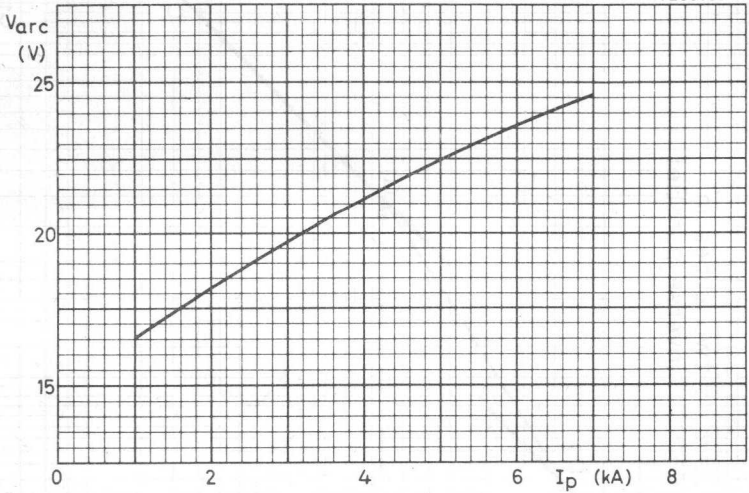
Construction:

1. Determine cross points in the left hand graph for the chosen mains voltage (points a and b).
2. Draw horizontal lines from the points a and b to determine cross points  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  in the right hand graph.
3. The boundary of the operating area for the pertaining mains voltage is thus determined by straight line interconnections of  $b_1$ ,  $b_2$ ,  $a_1$ , c,  $c_1$ .

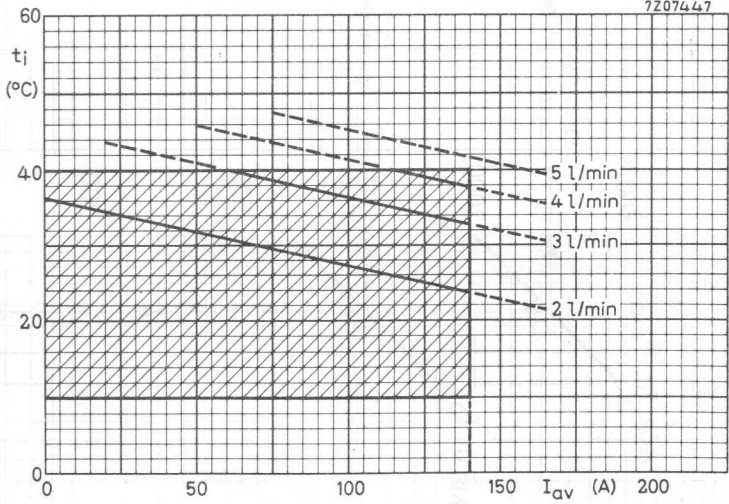
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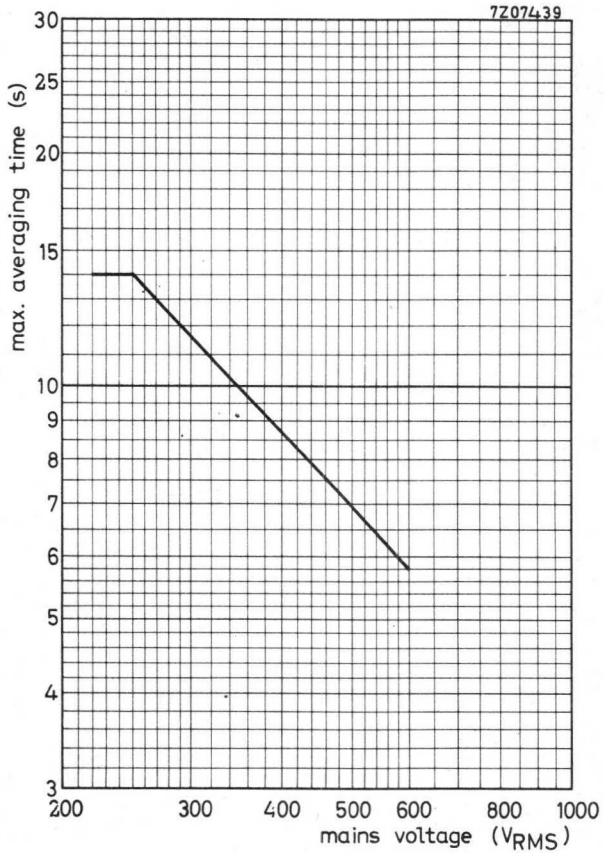
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Minimum required continuous waterflow (two tubes cooled in series)



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2	Mary Jones	22	F
3	James Brown	30	M
4	Elizabeth White	28	F
5	Robert Black	35	M
6	Sarah Green	20	F
7	William Grey	40	M
8	Anna Hill	25	F
9	Thomas Lee	32	M
10	Jessie King	18	F
11	Charles King	25	M
12	Elizabeth King	22	F
13	John King	20	M
14	Mary King	18	F
15	James King	16	M
16	Sarah King	14	F
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18	Anna King	10	F
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20	Jessie King	6	F
21	Charles King	4	M
22	Elizabeth King	2	F
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96	Sarah King	1	F
97	William King	1	M
98	Anna King	1	F
99	Thomas King	1	M
100	Jessie King	1	F

For list of names of children of King family



## IGNITRON

D size ignitron intended for use in single-phase and three-phase resistance welding control and similar A.C. control applications.

The tube has a plastic coated stainless steel watercooling jacket, quick change water connections and a temperature sensing pad for mounting of a thermostat.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Maximum demand power (two tubes in inverse parallel)	2400 kVA
Maximum average current	355 A
Ignitor voltage	180 V
Ignitor current	max. 12 A

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions and connections	see page 2
Net weight	8.7 kg
Shipping weight	11 kg
Mounting position	vertical, anode connection up

### Accessories

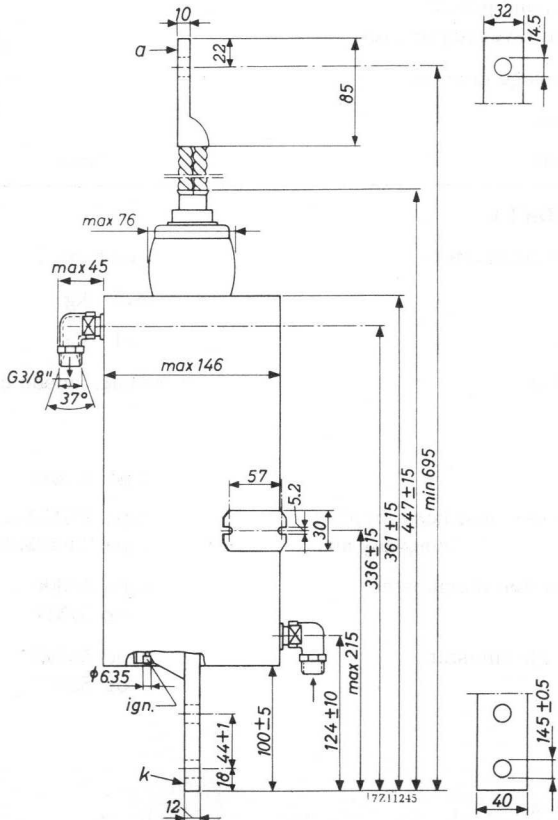
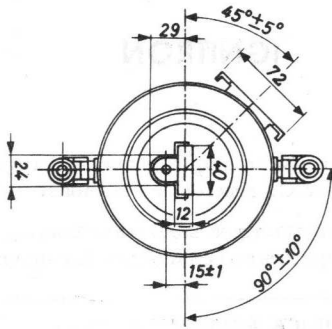
Ignitor cable	type 55351
Water hose connections: hose nipple	type TE1051c
coupling nut	type TE1051b
Overload protection thermostat	type 55306 or 55318
Water economy thermostat	type 55305 or 55317



ZX1053

DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm



**TEMPERATURE LIMITS AND COOLING**

**TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Pressure drop of cooling water (q = 9 l/min)	$p_i$	max. 0.35	kg/cm <sup>2</sup>
Temperature rise at max. average current (q = 9 l/min)	$t_o - t_i$	max. 9	°C

**LIMITING VALUES (Absolute max. rating system)**

A.C. control service

Required water flow at max. average current (see also page 9)	q	min. 9	l/min.
Inlet temperature 1)	$t_i$	min. 10 max. 40	°C
Temperature of thermostat mount 2)	$t_m$	max. 50	°C

Intermittent rectifier service or three-phase welding service

Required water flow at max. average current	q	min. 9	l/min.
Inlet temperature 1)	$t_i$	min. 10 max. 35	°C
Temperature of thermostat mount 2)	$t_m$	max. 45	°C



1) When a number of tubes is cooled in series,  $t_i$  min refers to the coldest tube and  $t_i$  max. to the hottest tube.

2) WARNING. The thermostat mount is at full line voltage. When the cooling systems of a number of tubes are connected in series the overload protecting thermostat should be mounted on the last and the water economy thermostat on the last but one tube.

**ELECTRICAL DATA**

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

The limiting values are based on full cycle conduction duty, with equally distributed load on all ignitrons, regardless of whether phase control is used or not.

The load must be limited so that at zero phase delay no overload will result.

Single phase A.C. control, two tubes in inverse parallel connection

Table I. See also pages 10, 11 and 12

Mains frequency range	f	25 to 60					Hz
Mains voltage	V	220 <sup>1)</sup>	250	380	500	600	V <sub>RMS</sub>
Max. averaging time	T <sub>av max</sub>	11	11	7.3	5.6	4.6	s
<b>A. Max. demand power</b>							
Max. demand power	P max	2120	2400	2400	2400	2400	kVA
Corresponding max. average current	I <sub>av</sub>	192	192	192	192	192	A
Demand current	I <sub>RMS</sub>	9600	9600	6300	4800	4000	A <sub>RMS</sub>
Duty factor	δ	4.4	4.4	6.8	8.8	10.6	%
Number of cycles within T <sub>av max</sub> . <sup>2)</sup>	n (50 Hz)	25	25	25	25	25	c/T <sub>av max</sub>
Integrated RMS load current	I <sub>F</sub>	2000	2000	1640	1420	1300	A <sub>RMS</sub>
<b>B. Max. average current</b>							
Max. average current	I <sub>av max</sub>	355	355	355	355	355	A
Corresponding max. demand power	P	700	800	800	800	800	kVA
Demand current	I <sub>RMS</sub>	3200	3200	2100	1600	1320	A <sub>RMS</sub>
Duty factor	δ	24.6	24.6	37.5	49.3	60.0	%
Number of cycles within T <sub>av max</sub> . <sup>2)</sup>	n (50 Hz)	140	140	140	140	140	c/T <sub>av max</sub>
Integrated RMS load current	I <sub>F</sub>	1600	1600	1300	1130	1020	A <sub>RMS</sub>
Max. surge current (T <sub>max</sub> = 0.15 s)	I <sub>surge</sub>	27	27	17.8	13.5	11.2	kA

1) For mains voltages below 250 V<sub>RMS</sub> the max. demand current and max. averaging time valid at 250 V shall not be exceeded.

2) This is the maximum integrated number of cycles a pair of tubes may conduct with or without interruption during the maximum averaging time:  
 $n_{max} = \text{duty factor} \times T_{av max} \times \text{mains frequency.}$

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system; continued)

Intermittent rectifier service or frequency changer resistance welding service

Mains frequency range	f	50 to 60 Hz		
Anode voltage, forward peak	$V_{a\ fwd_p\ max}$	600	1200	1500 V
inverse peak	$V_{a\ inv_p\ max}$	600	1200	1500 V
<b>A. <u>Max. peak current</u></b>				
Anode current, peak	$I_{a_p\ max}$	4000	3000	2400 A
Corresponding average current	$I_{av}$	54	40	32 A
<b>B. <u>Max. average current</u></b>				
Anode current, average	$I_{av\ max}$	190	140	112 A
Corresponding peak	$I_{a_p}$	1140	840	672 A
Averaging time	$T_{av\ max}$	6.25	6.25	6.25 s
Ratio $I_a/I_{a_p}$ ( $T_{av} = \max. 0.5\ s$ )	$I_a/I_{a_p\ max}$	1/6	1/6	1/6
Ratio $I_{surge}/I_{a_p}$ ( $T_{max} = 0.15\ s$ )	$I_{surge}/I_{a_p\ max}$	12.5	12.5	12.5

IGNITOR CHARACTERISTICS AND IGNITION CIRCUIT REQUIREMENTS

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Ignitor voltage, forward peak	$V_{igp}$	max. 2000 V
inverse peak (including any transients)	$-V_{igp}$	max. 5 V
Ignitor current, forward peak	$I_{igp}$	max. 100 A
inverse peak	$-I_{igp}$	max. 0 A
forward RMS	$I_{igRMS}$	max. 10 A
forward average ( $T_{av} = \max. 5\ s$ )	$I_{ig}$	max. 1 A

IGNITOR CHARACTERISTICS AND IGNITION CIRCUIT REQUIREMENTS

(continued)

A. Anode excitation

Ignitor characteristics

Firing voltage	$V_{ig}$	180 V
Firing current	$I_{ig}$	6 to 8 A max. 12 A
Ignition time at the above voltage or current	$T_{ig}$	max. 100 $\mu s$ 1)

Ignition circuit requirements

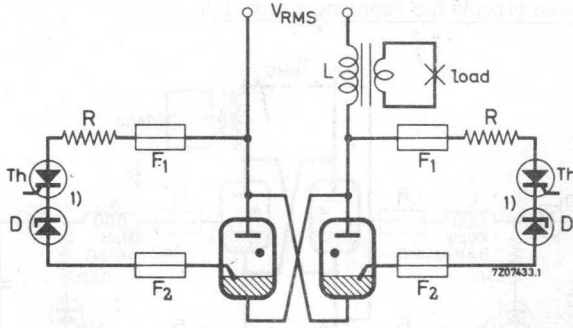
Peak voltage required to fire	$V_p$	min. 200 V
Peak current required for anode take over	$I_p$	15 to 30 A 2)
Rate of rise of ignitor current	$di/dT$	min. 0.1 A/ $\mu s$

1) Ignition time is taken from the instant that the stated voltage and current are reached.

2) The higher value holds for the lower anode voltage and the lower cooling water temp., the lower value for higher anode voltage and higher cooling water temp.

IGNITOR CHARACTERISTICS AND IGNITION CIRCUIT REQUIREMENTS

Recommended circuits for anode excitation



Anode excitation with individual thyristors

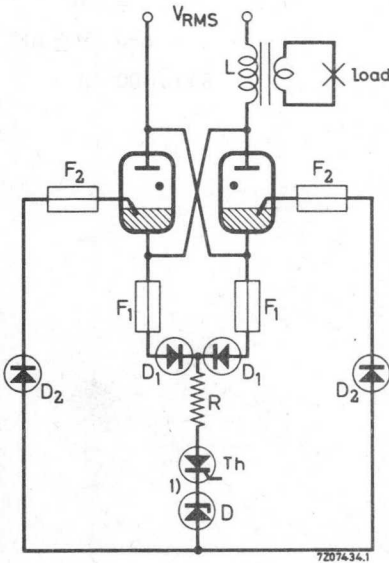
$V_{RMS}$	220	250	380	500	600	V
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R	2	2	4	5	6	$\Omega$
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$F_1 = 2$  A fast response time

$F_2 = 10$  A fast response time

D = zener voltage  $\geq 18$  V



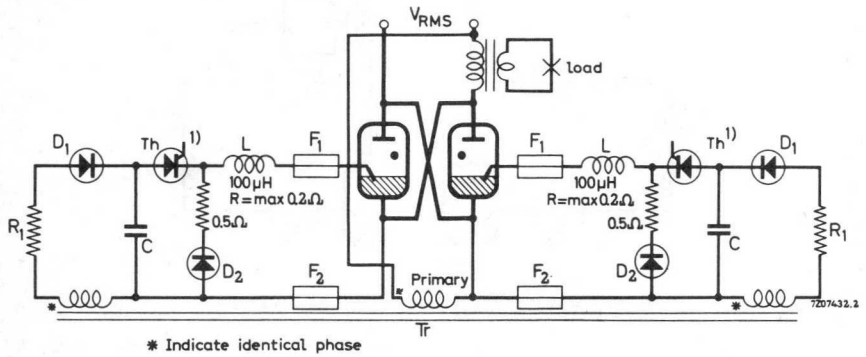
Anode excitation with common thyristor

1) The thyristor-zener diode combination may be substituted by a thyatron.

IGNITOR CHARACTERISTICS AND IGNITION CIRCUIT REQUIREMENTS

B. Separate excitation

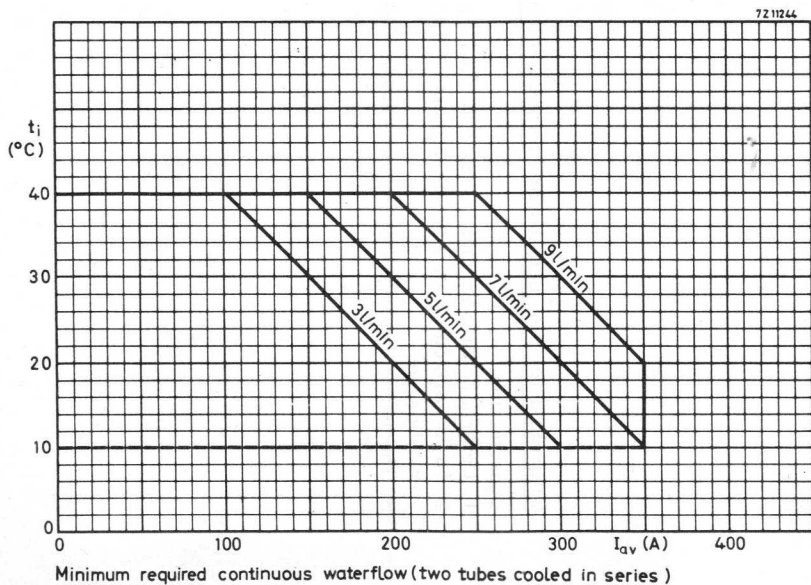
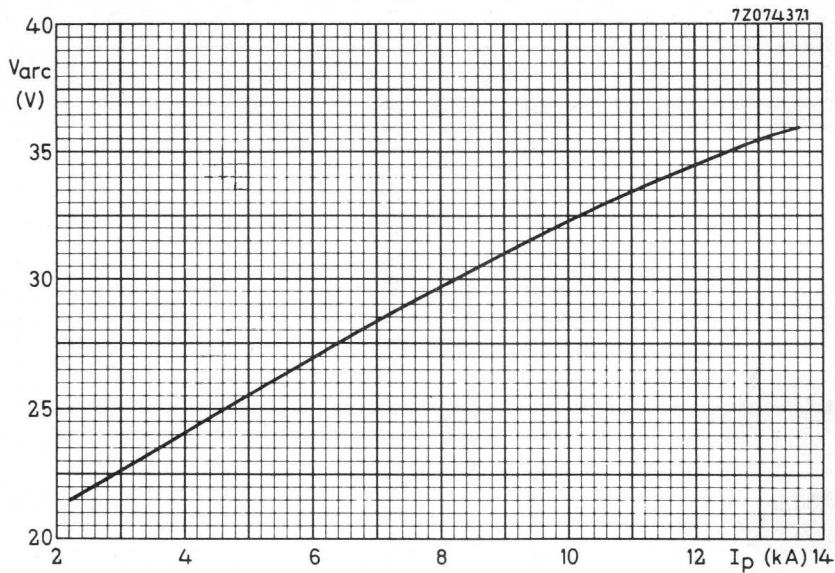
Recommended circuit for separate excitation



Capacitor value	2 $\mu$ F
Capacitor voltage	650 V $\pm$ 10%
Peak value of closed circuit current	80 to 100 A

1) The thyristor may be substituted by a thyatron.



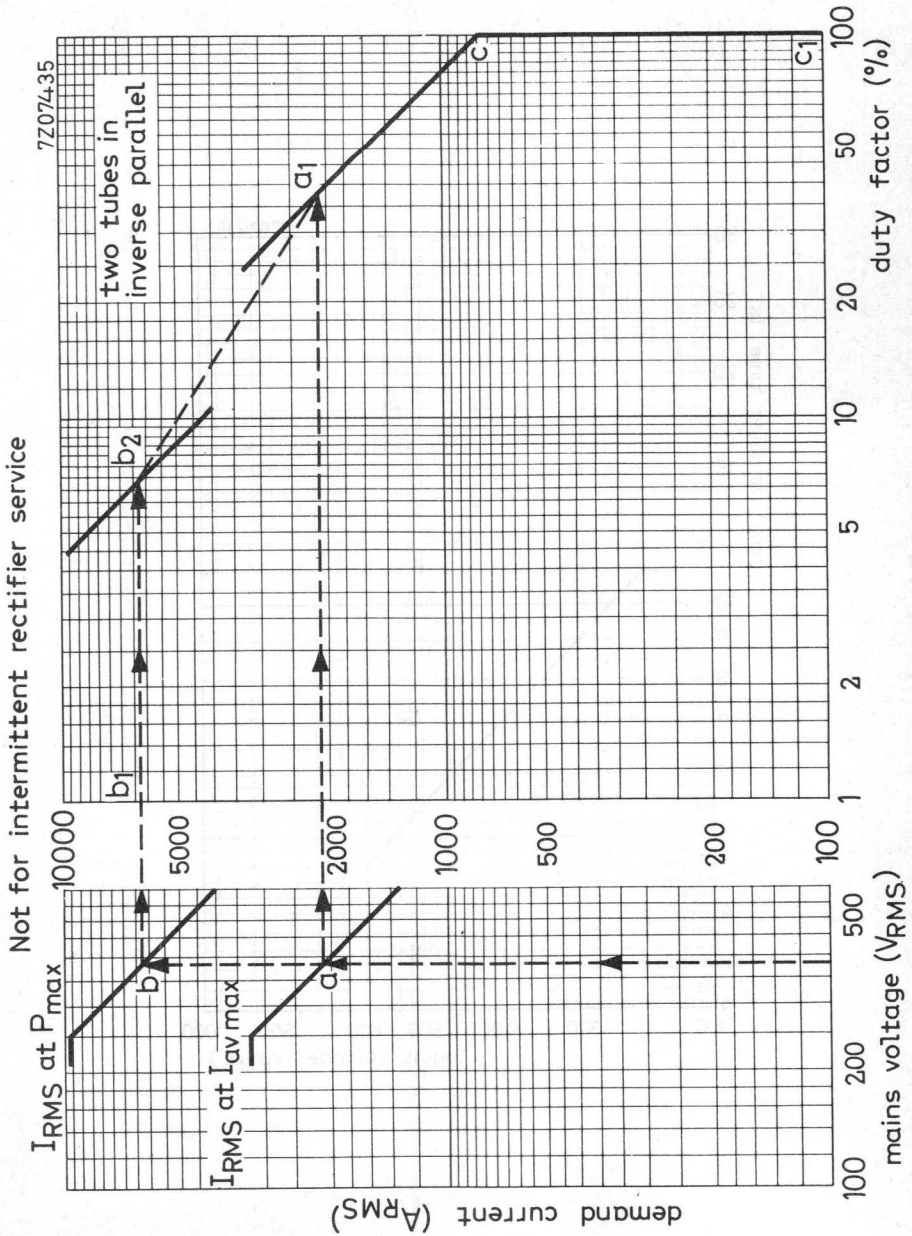


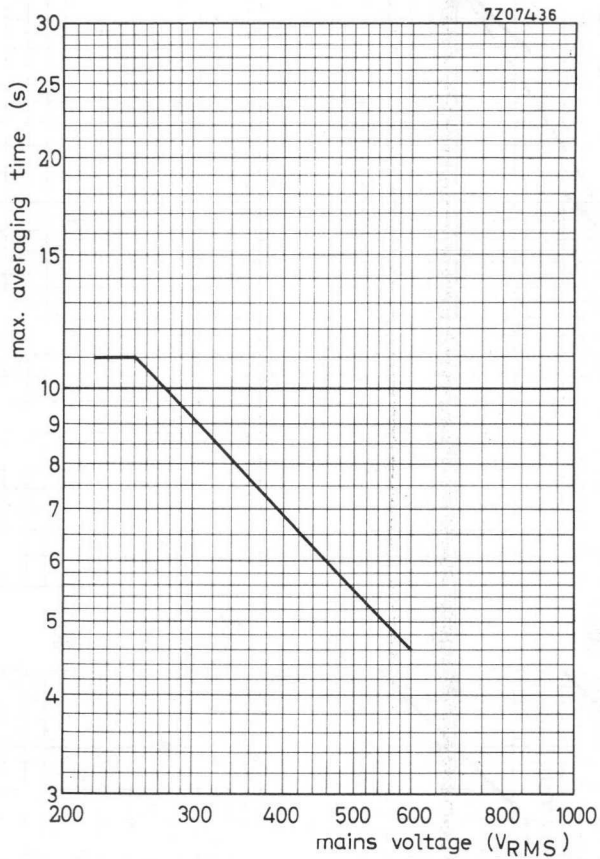


Graph to determine demand current versus duty factor as a function of the mains voltage (page 11)

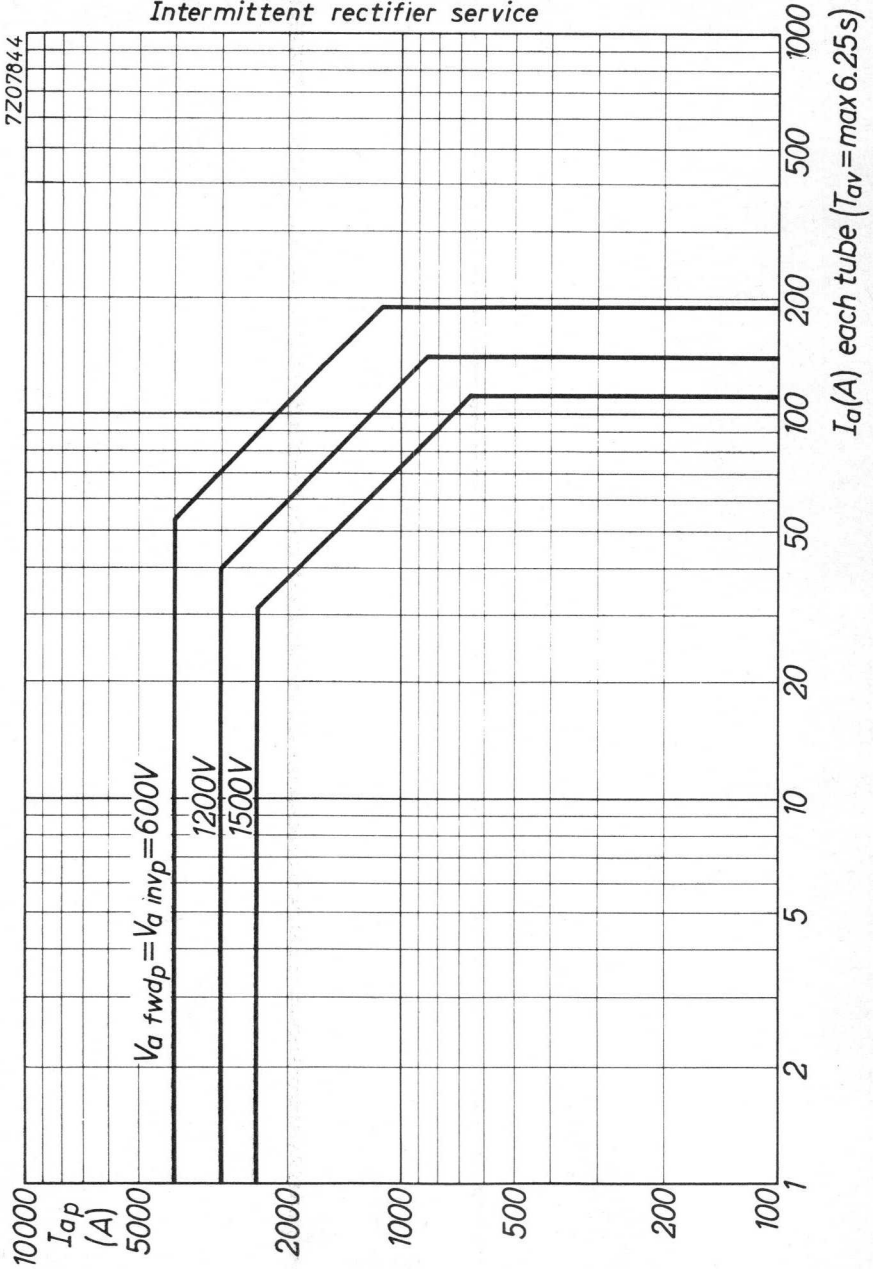
Construction:

1. Determine cross points in the left hand graph for the chosen mains voltage (points a and b).
2. Draw horizontal lines from the points a and b to determine cross points  $a_1$  and  $b_2$  in the right hand graph.
3. The boundary of the operating area for the pertaining mains voltage is thus determined by straight line interconnections of  $b_1$ ,  $b_2$ ,  $a_1$ , c,  $c_1$ .

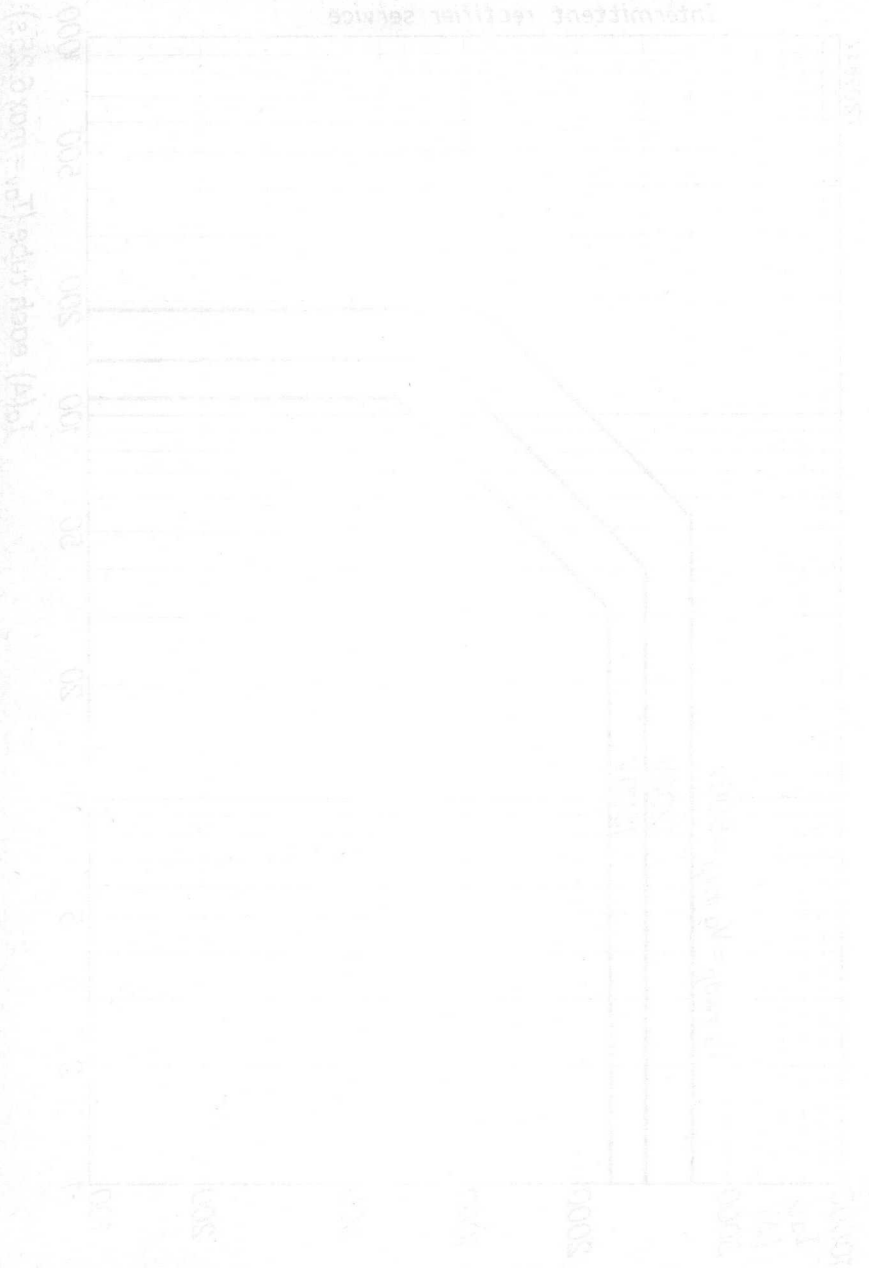




Intermittent rectifier service



Intermittent regular service



## IGNITRON

Up-rated A size ignitron intended for use in single-phase and three-phase resistance welding control and similar A.C. control applications.

The tube has a plastic coated stainless steel watercooling jacket and quick change water connections.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

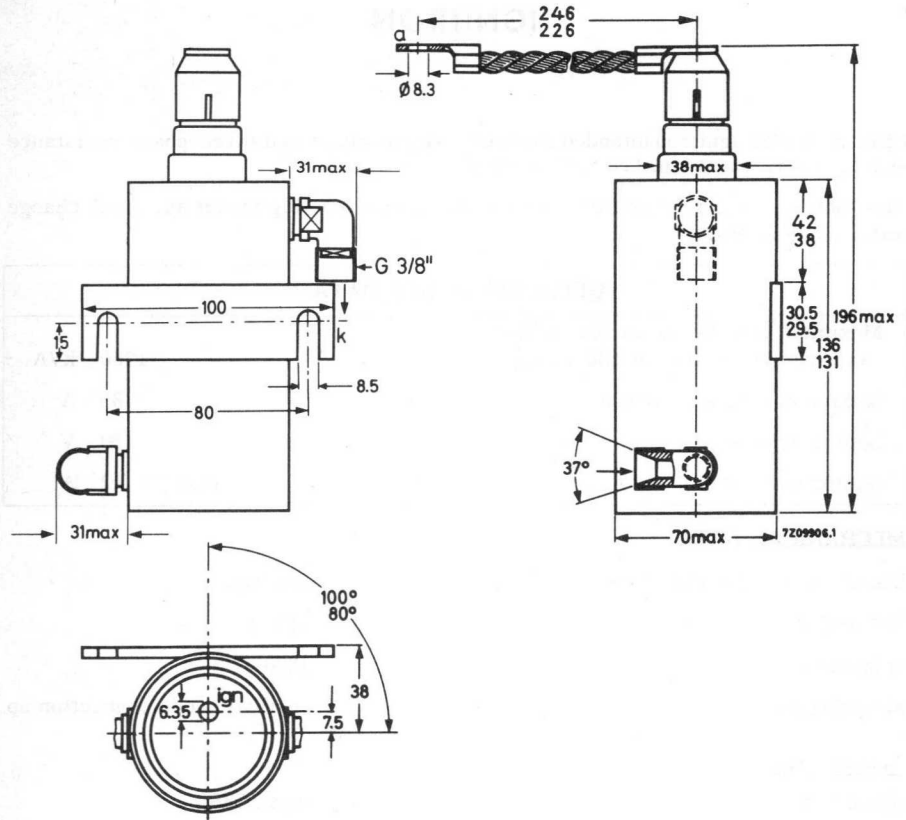
Maximum demand power (two tubes in inverse parallel) at 600 V <sub>RMS</sub>	1200 kVA
Maximum average current	35 A
Ignitor voltage	150 V
Ignitor current	max. 12 A

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions and connections	see page 2
Net weight	1250 g
Shipping weight:	1800 g
Mounting position	vertical anode connection up
<u>Accessories</u>	
Ignitor cable	type 55351
Water hose connections: hose nipple coupling nut	type TE1051c type TE1051b

DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm





**TEMPERATURE LIMITS AND COOLING**

**TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Pressure drop of cooling water ( $q = 2$ l/min)	$p_i$	max. 0.1 kg/cm <sup>2</sup>
Temperature rise at max. average current ( $q = 2$ l/min)	$t_o - t_i$	max. 5 °C

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

A.C. control service

Required water flow at max. average current (See also page 8)	$q$	min. 3 l/min
Inlet temperature <sup>1)</sup>	$t_i$	min. 10 °C max. 40 °C

Pulse service

Under conditions of pulse service with low average load (less than 1 A) continuous cooling is normally not required. The cooling jacket can e.g. be permanently filled with oil.

Care should be taken to prevent condensation of mercury at the anode or glass seal. See also "Application directions ignitrons".

Recommended condensed mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$	25 to 30 °C
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**ELECTRICAL DATA** (see page 4)

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

The limiting values are based on full cycle conduction duty, with equally distributed load on all ignitrons, regardless of whether phase control is used or not. The load must be limited so that at zero phase delay no overload will result.

<sup>1)</sup> When a number of tubes is cooled in series,  $t_i$  min refers to the coldest tube and  $t_i$  max to the hottest tube.

Single phase A.C. control, two tubes in inverse parallel connection

Table I. See also pages 9, 10 and 11

Mains frequency range	f	25 to 60					Hz
Mains voltage	V	220 <sup>1)</sup>	250	380	500	600	V <sub>RMS</sub>
Max. averaging time	T <sub>av max</sub>	18	18	11.8	9.4	8	s
<b>A. Max. demand power</b>							
Max. demand power	P <sub>max</sub>	550	630	850	1050	1200	kVA
Corresponding max. average current	I <sub>av</sub>	21	21	21	21	21	A
Demand current	I <sub>RMS</sub>	2500	2500	2250	2100	2000	A <sub>RMS</sub>
Duty factor	δ	1.9	1.9	2.1	2.2	2.3	%
Number of cycles within T <sub>av max</sub> . <sup>2)</sup>	n(50 Hz)	16	16	12	10	9	c/T <sub>av max</sub>
Integrated RMS load current	I <sub>F</sub>	345	345	325	310	300	A <sub>RMS</sub>
<b>B. Max. average current</b>							
Max. average current	I <sub>AVmax</sub>	33	33	33	33	33	A
Corresponding max. demand power	P	180	210	280	350	400	kVA
Demand current	I <sub>RMS</sub>	850	850	750	700	660	A <sub>RMS</sub>
Duty factor	δ	8.7	8.7	9.9	10.6	11.2	%
Number of cycles within T <sub>av max</sub> . <sup>2)</sup>	n(50 Hz)	78	78	58	50	45	c/T <sub>av max</sub>
Integrated RMS load current	I <sub>F</sub>	250	250	235	230	220	A <sub>RMS</sub>
Max. surge current (T <sub>max</sub> = 0.15 s)	I <sub>surge</sub>	7000	7000	6300	5900	5600	A <sub>RMS</sub>

Pulse service

Under certain conditions this ignitron may be used to switch aperiodic current pulses to a very high value (up to 50 kA) and voltages up to 10 kV. The performance depends on the circuit in which the tube is used. The manufacturer should be consulted.

1) For mains voltages below 250 V<sub>RMS</sub> the max. demand current and max. averaging time valid at 250 V shall not be exceeded.

2) This is the maximum integrated number of cycles a pair of tubes may conduct with or without interruption during the maximum averaging time:  
 $n_{max} = \text{duty factor} \times T_{av \text{ max}} \times \text{mains frequency.}$

IGNITOR CHARACTERISTICS AND IGNITION CIRCUIT REQUIREMENTS

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Ignitor voltage, forward peak	$V_{igp}$	max.	2000	V
inverse peak (including any transients)	$-V_{igp}$	max.	5	V
Ignitor current, forward peak	$I_{igp}$	max.	100	A
inverse peak	$-I_{igp}$	max.	0	A
forward RMS	$I_{igRMS}$	max.	10	A
forward average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 5 \text{ s}$ )	$I_{ig}$	max.	1	A

A. Anode excitation

Ignitor characteristics

Firing voltage	$V_{ig}$		150	V
Firing current	$I_{ig}$		6 to 8	A
		max.	12	A
Ignition time at the above voltage or current	$I_{ig}$	max.	50	$\mu\text{s}$ <sup>1)</sup>

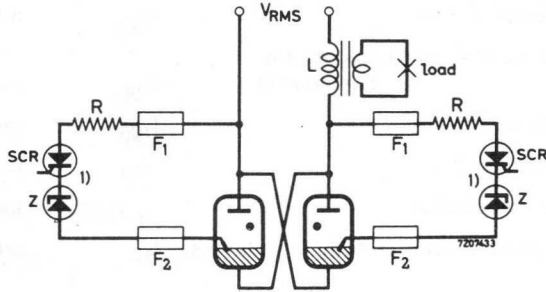
Ignition circuit requirements

Peak voltage required to fire	$V_p$	min.	200	V
Peak current required to fire	$I_p$	min.	12	A
Rate of rise of ignitor current	$di/dt$	min.	0.1	A/ $\mu\text{s}$

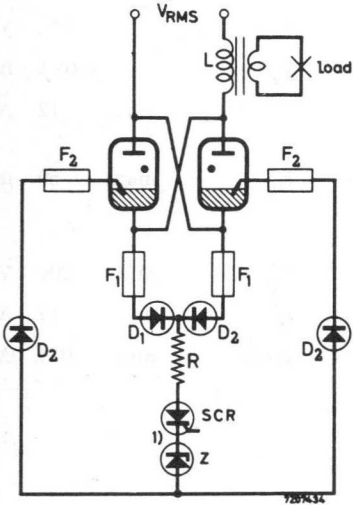
<sup>1)</sup> Ignition time is taken from the instant that the stated voltage and current are reached.

IGNITOR CHARACTERISTICS AND IGNITION CIRCUIT REQUIREMENTS (continued)

Recommended circuits for anode excitation



Anode excitation with individual thyristors



$V_{RMS}$	220	250	380	500	600	V
R	2	2	4	5	6	$\Omega$
$F_1$	=	2 A fast response time				
$F_2$	=	10 A fast response time				
Z	=	zener voltage $\geq 18$ V				

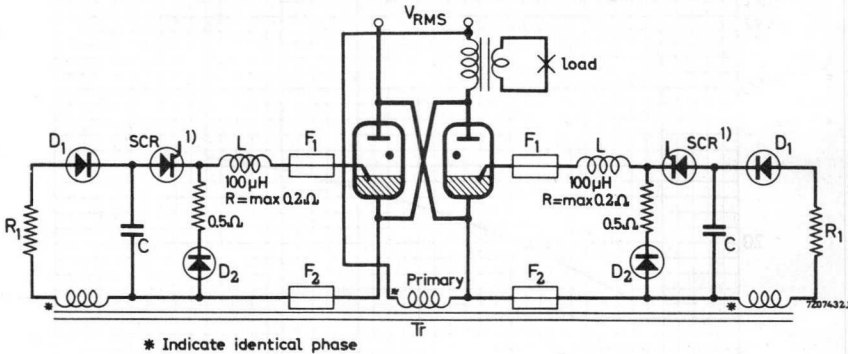
Anode excitation with common thyristor

1) The thyristor-zener diode combination may be substituted by a thyatron.

IGNITOR CHARACTERISTICS AND IGNITION CIRCUIT REQUIREMENTS (continued)

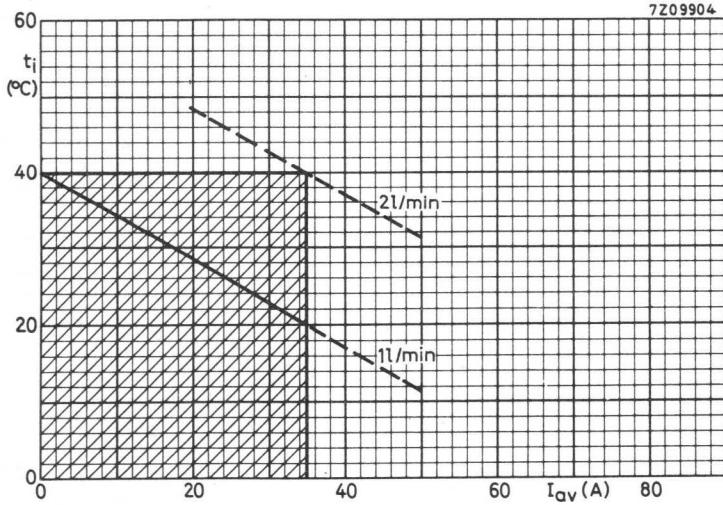
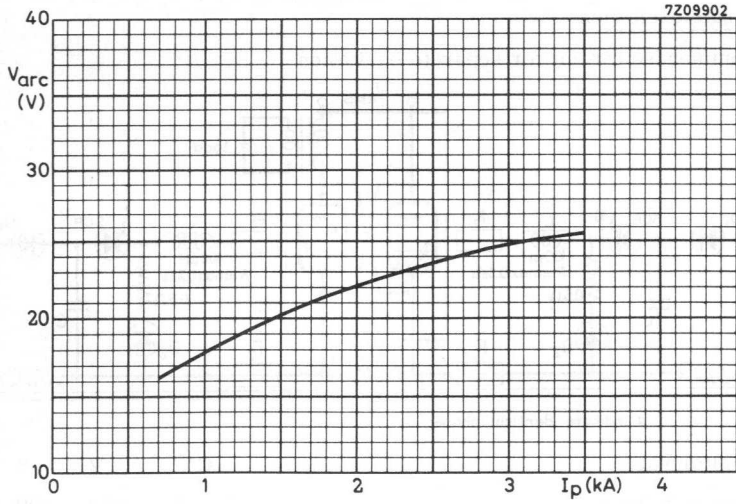
B. Separate excitation

Recommended circuit for separate excitation

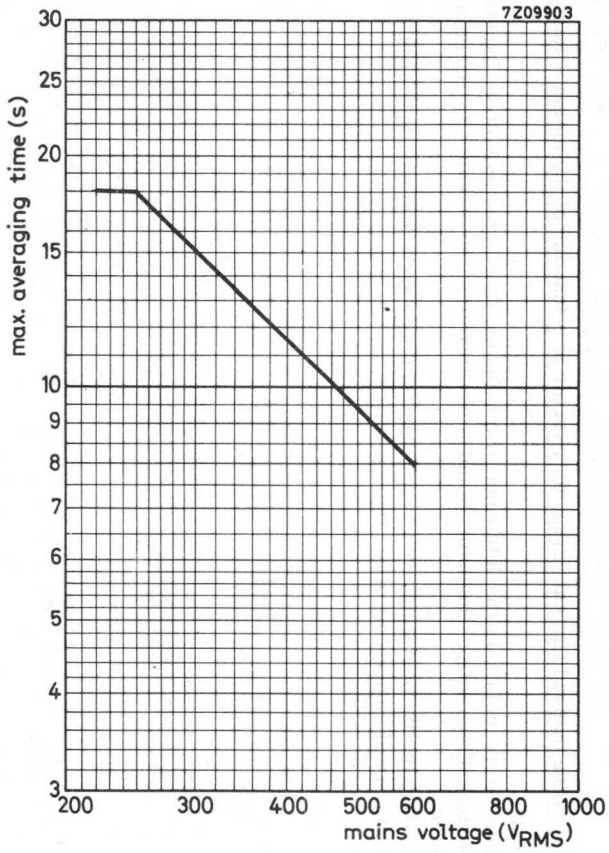


Capacitor value	C	2	8	$\mu\text{F}$
Capacitor voltage	$V_C$	650	400	$V \pm 10\%$
Peak value of closed circuit current		80 to 100	A	

<sup>1)</sup> The thyristor may be substituted by a thyatron.



Minimum required continuous waterflow (two tubes cooled in series)



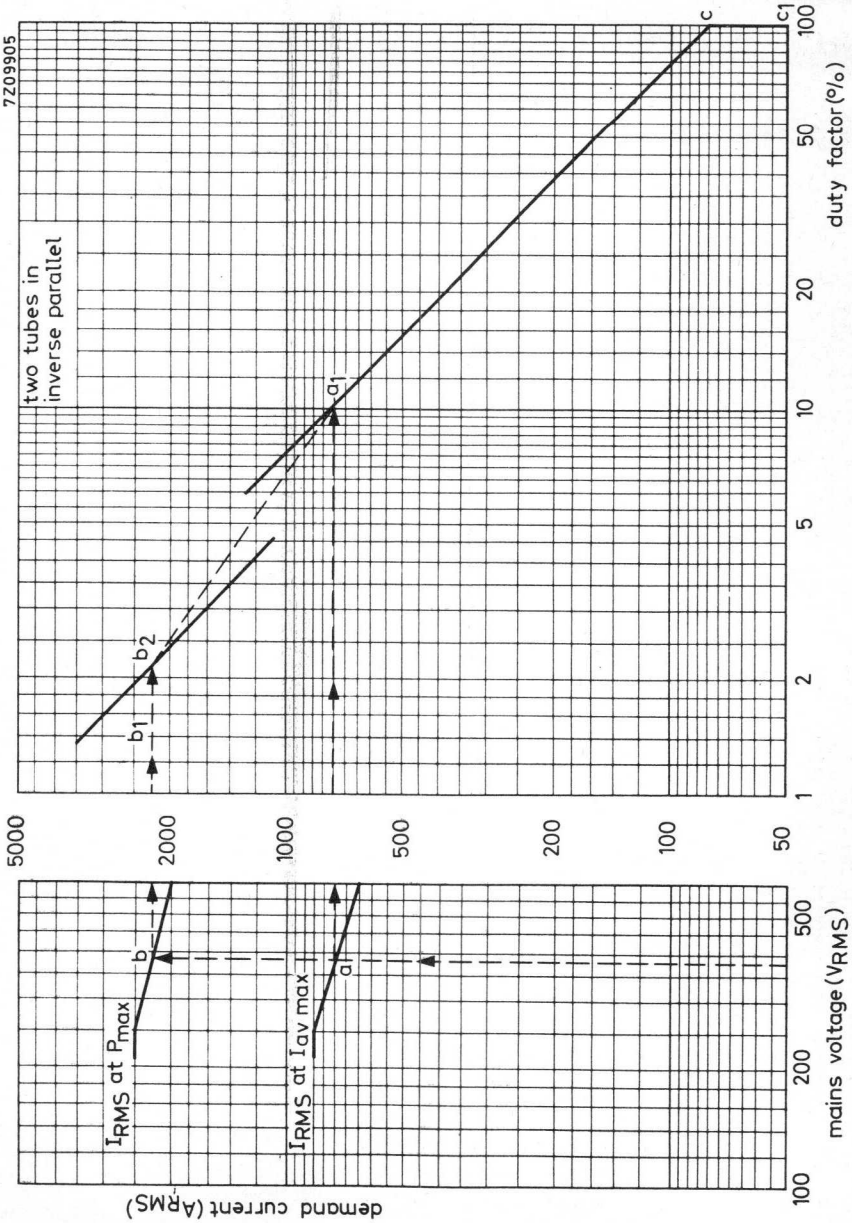
Graph to determine demand current versus duty factor as a function of the mains voltage (page 11)

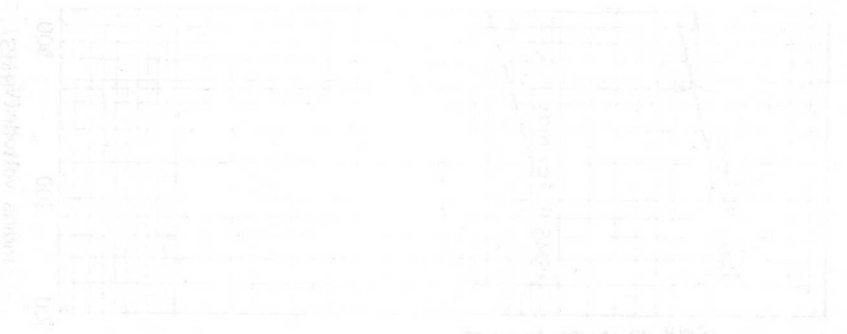
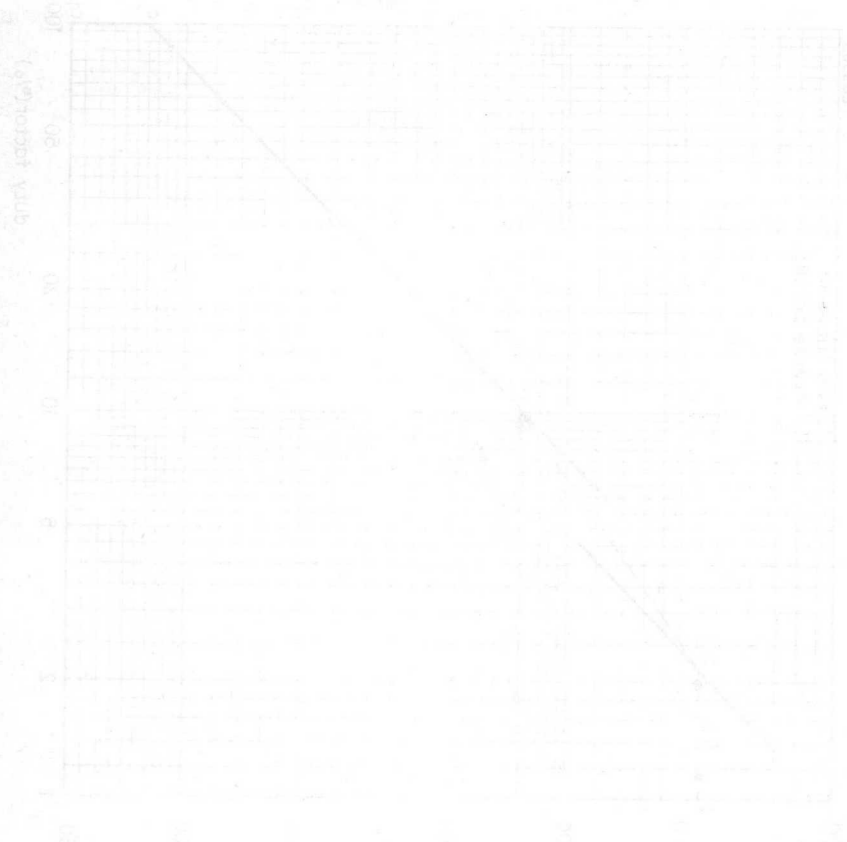
Construction:

1. Determine cross points in the left hand graph for the chosen mains voltage (points a and b).
2. Draw horizontal lines from the points a and b to determine cross points a<sub>1</sub> and b<sub>2</sub> in the right hand graph.
3. The boundary of the operating area for the pertaining mains voltage is thus determined by straight line interconnections of b<sub>1</sub>, b<sub>2</sub>, a<sub>1</sub>, c, c<sub>1</sub>.



not for intermittent rectifier service





amplitude (dB) vs frequency (Hz)

## IGNITRON

Uprated B size ignitron intended for use in single-phase and three-phase resistance welding control and similar A.C. control applications.

The tube has a plastic coated stainless steel watercooling jacket, quick change water connections and a temperature sensing pad for mounting of a thermostat.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Maximum demand power (two tubes in inverse parallel) at 600 VRMS	1200 kVA
Maximum average current	70 A
Ignitor voltage	150 V
Ignitor current	max. 12 A

### MECHANICAL DATA

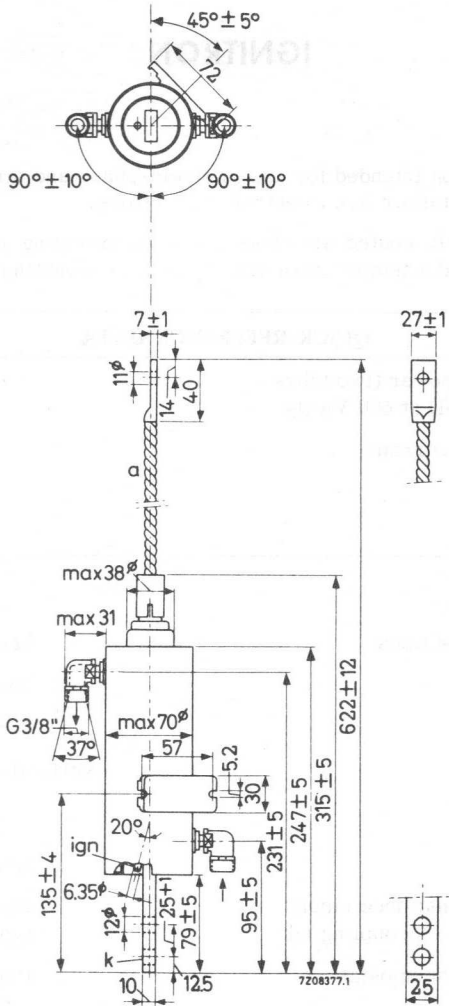
Dimensions and connections	see page 2
Net weight	1660 g
Shipping weight	2280 g
Mounting position	vertical, anode connection up

### Accessories

Ignitor cable	type 55351
Water hose connections: hose nipple	type TE1051c
coupling nut	type TE1051b
Overload protection thermostat	type 55306 or 55318
Water economy thermostat	type 55305 or 55317

DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm



TEMPERATURE LIMITS AND COOLING

TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Pressure drop of cooling water (q = 3 l/min)	$p_i$	max.	0.1	kg/cm <sup>2</sup>
Temperature rise at max. average current (q = 3 l/min)	$t_o - t_i$	max.	5.5	°C

LIMITING VALUES (Absolute max. rating system)

A.C. control service

Required water flow at max. average current (See also page 9)	q	min.	3	l/min
Inlet temperature	$t_i$	min.	10	°C
		max.	40	°C
Temperature of thermostat mount <sup>2)</sup>	$t_m$	max.	50	°C

Intermittent rectifier service or three-phase welding service

Required continuous water flow at max. average current	q	min.	4	l/min
Inlet temperature <sup>1)</sup>	$t_i$	min.	10	°C
		max.	35	°C
Temperature of thermostat mount <sup>2)</sup>	$t_m$	max.	45	°C

Pulse service

Under conditions of pulse service with low average load (less than 1 A) continuous cooling is normally not required. The cooling jacket can e.g. be permanently filled with oil.

Care should be taken to prevent condensation of mercury at the anode or glass seal. See also "Application directions ignitrons".

Recommended condensed mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$	25 to 30	°C
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<sup>1)</sup> When a number of tubes is cooled in series,  $t_i$  min refers to the coldest tube and  $t_i$  max to the hottest tube.

<sup>2)</sup> WARNING. The thermostat mount is at full line voltage. When the cooling systems of a number of tubes are connected in series the over-load protecting thermostat should be mounted on the last and the water economy thermostat at the last but one tube.

## ELECTRICAL DATA

### LIMITING VALUES (Absolute max. rating system)

The limiting values are based on full cycle conduction duty, with equally distributed load on all ignitrons, regardless of whether phase control is used or not. The load must be limited so that at zero phase delay no overload will result.

Single phase A.C. control, two tubes in inverse parallel connection

Table I. See also pages 10 and 11

Mains frequency range	f	25 to 60					Hz
Mains voltage	V	220 <sup>1)</sup>	250	380	500	600	V <sub>RMS</sub>
Max. averaging time	T <sub>av max</sub>	24	24	15.8	12	10	s
<b>A. Max. demand power</b>							
Max. demand power	P <sub>max</sub>	550	630	850	1050	1200	kVA
Corresponding max. average current	I <sub>av</sub>	38	38	38	38	38	A
Demand current	I <sub>RMS</sub>	2500	2500	2250	2100	2000	A <sub>RMS</sub>
Duty factor	δ	3.3	3.3	3.8	4.0	4.2	%
Number of cycles within T <sub>av max</sub> <sup>2)</sup>	n (50 Hz)	40	40	30	24	21	c/T <sub>av max</sub>
Integrated RMS load current	I <sub>F</sub>	460	460	440	420	410	A <sub>RMS</sub>
<b>B. Max. average current</b>							
Max. average current	I <sub>AVmax</sub>	70	70	70	70	70	A
Corresponding max. demand power	P	180	210	280	350	400	kVA
<b>Additional values</b>							
Demand current	I <sub>RMS</sub>	850	850	750	700	660	A <sub>RMS</sub>
Duty factor	δ	18.3	18.3	20.8	22.2	23.5	%
Number of cycles within T <sub>av max</sub> <sup>2)</sup>	n(50 Hz)	220	220	164	134	118	c/T <sub>av max</sub>
Integrated RMS load current	I <sub>F</sub>	360	360	340	330	320	A <sub>RMS</sub>
Max. surge current (T <sub>max</sub> = 0.15 s)	I <sub>surge</sub>	7000	7000	6300	5900	5600	A <sub>RMS</sub>

1) For mains voltages below 250 V<sub>RMS</sub> the max. demand current and max. averaging time valid at 250 V shall not be exceeded.

2) This is the maximum integrated number of cycles a pair of tubes may conduct with or without interruption during the maximum averaging time:  
 $n_{max} = \text{duty factor} \times T_{av \text{ max}} \times \text{mains frequency.}$

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system; continued)

Intermittent rectifier service or frequency changer resistance welding service

Mains frequency range	f	50 to 60		Hz
Anode voltage, forward peak	$V_a \text{ fwd}_p \text{ max}$	1200	1500	V
inverse peak	$V_a \text{ inv}_p \text{ max}$	1200	1500	V
<u>A. Max. peak current</u>				
Anode current, peak	$I_{a_p} \text{ max}$	1500	1200	A
Corresponding average current	$I_{av}$	20	16	A
<u>B. Max. average current</u>				
Anode current, average	$I_{av} \text{ max}$	70	56	A
Corresponding peak	$I_{a_p}$	420	336	A
Averaging time	$T_{av} \text{ max}$	6.25	6.25	s
Ratio $I_a/I_{a_p}$ ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 0.5 \text{ s}$ )	$I_a/I_{a_p} \text{ max}$	1/6	1/6	
Ratio $I_{\text{surge}}/I_{a_p}$ ( $T_{\text{max}} = 0.15 \text{ s}$ )	$I_{\text{surge}}/I_{a_p} \text{ max}$	12.5	12.5	

Pulse service

Under certain conditions this ignitron may be used to switch aperiodic current pulses to a very high value (up to 50 kA) and voltages up to 10 kV. The performance depends on the circuit in which the tube is used. The manufacturer should be consulted.



IGNITOR CHARACTERISTICS AND IGNITION CIRCUIT REQUIREMENTS

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Ignitor voltage, forward peak	$V_{igp}$	max. 2000 V
inverse peak (including any transients)	$-V_{igp}$	max. 5 V
Ignitor current, forward peak	$I_{igp}$	max. 100 A
inverse peak	$-I_{igp}$	max. 0 A
forward RMS	$I_{igRMS}$	max. 10 A
forward average ( $T_{AV} = \text{max. } 5 \text{ s}$ )	$I_{ig}$	max. 1 A

A. Anode excitation

Ignitor characteristics

Firing voltage	$V_{ig}$	150 V
Firing current	$I_{ig}$	6 to 8 A
		max. 12 A

Ignition time at the above voltage or current	$T_{ig}$	max. 50 $\mu\text{s}$ <sup>1)</sup>
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Ignition circuit requirements

Peak voltage required to fire	$V_p$	min. 200 V
Peak current required to fire	$I_p$	min. 12 A
Rate of rise of ignitor current	$di/dT$	min. 0.1 A/ $\mu\text{s}$

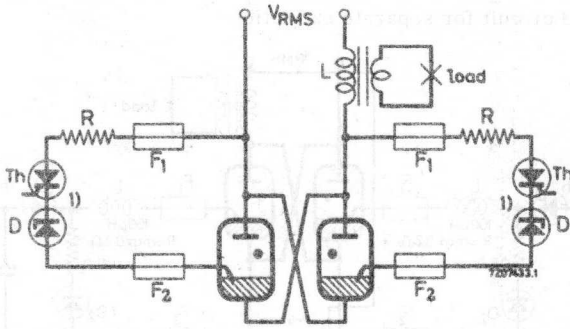
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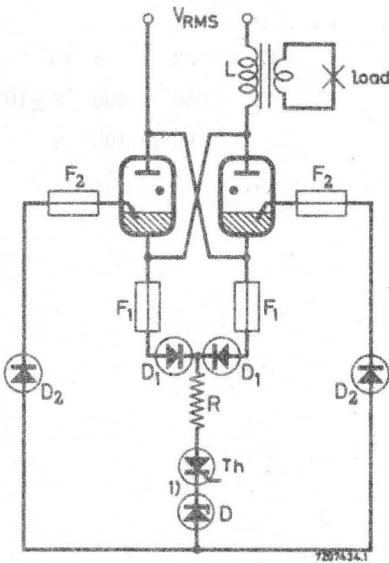
IGNITOR CHARACTERISTICS AND IGNITION CIRCUIT REQUIREMENTS

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Recommended circuits for anode excitation



Anode excitation with individual thyristors

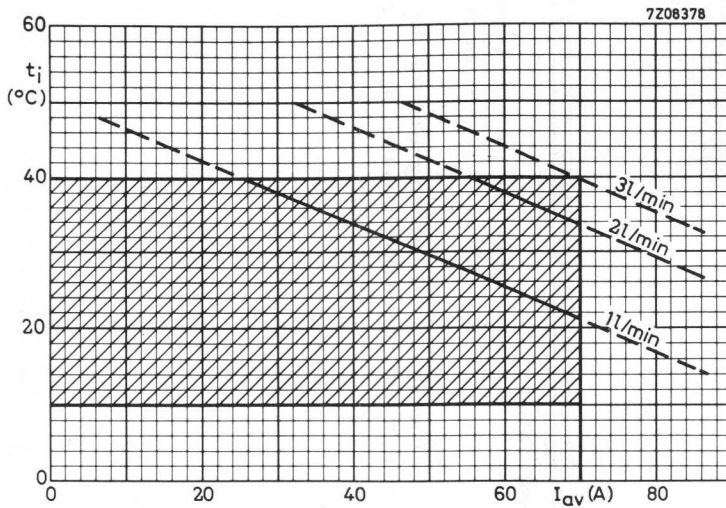
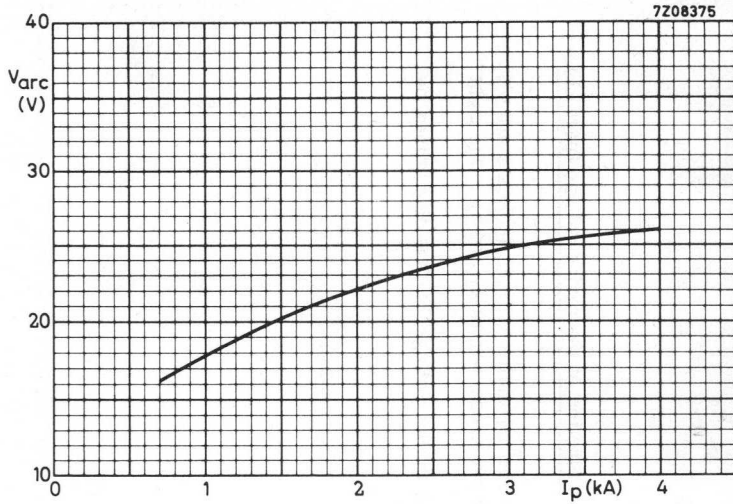


$V_{RMS}$	220	250	380	500	600	V
R	2	2	4	5	6	$\Omega$
$F_1$	= 2 A fast response time					
$F_2$	= 10 A fast response time					
D	= zener voltage $\geq 18$ V					

Anode excitation with common thyristor

1) The thyristor-zener diode combination may be substituted by a thyatron.





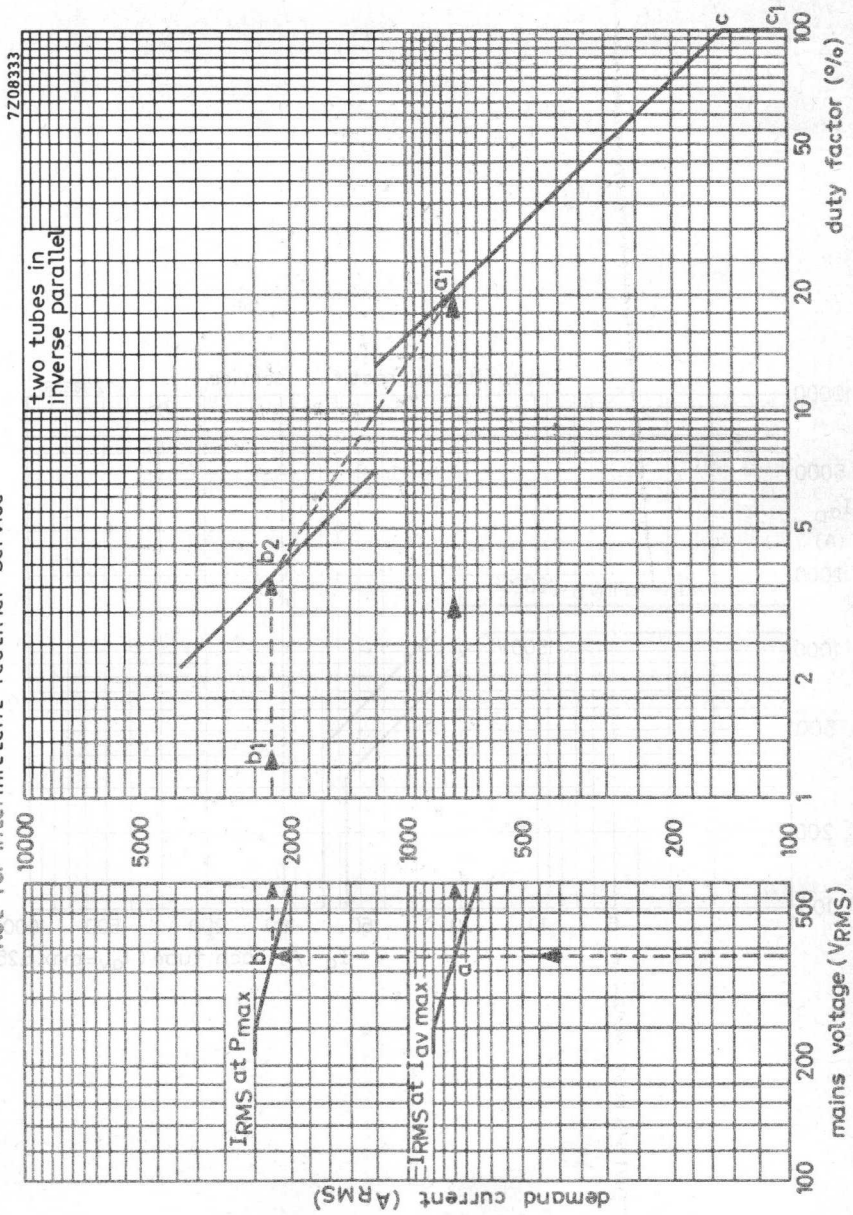
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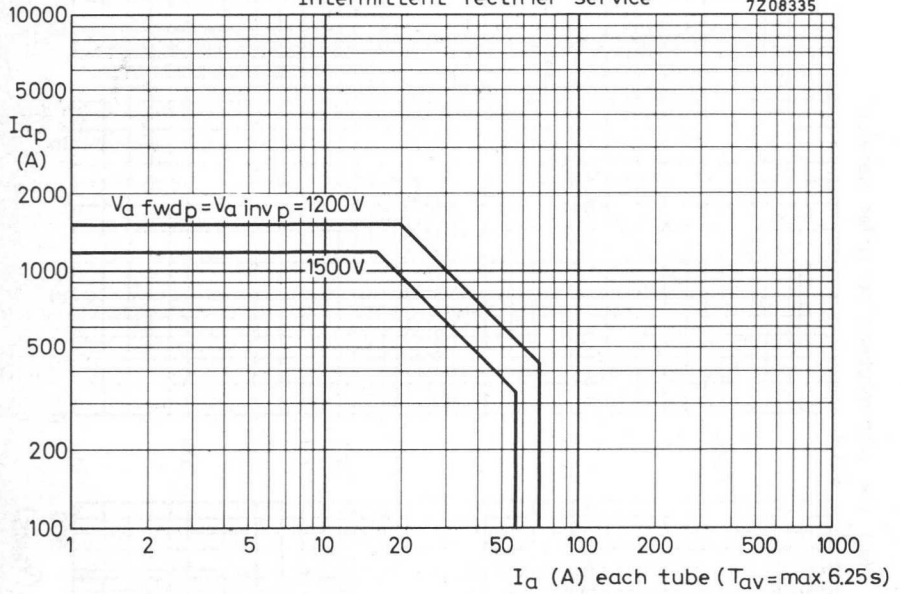
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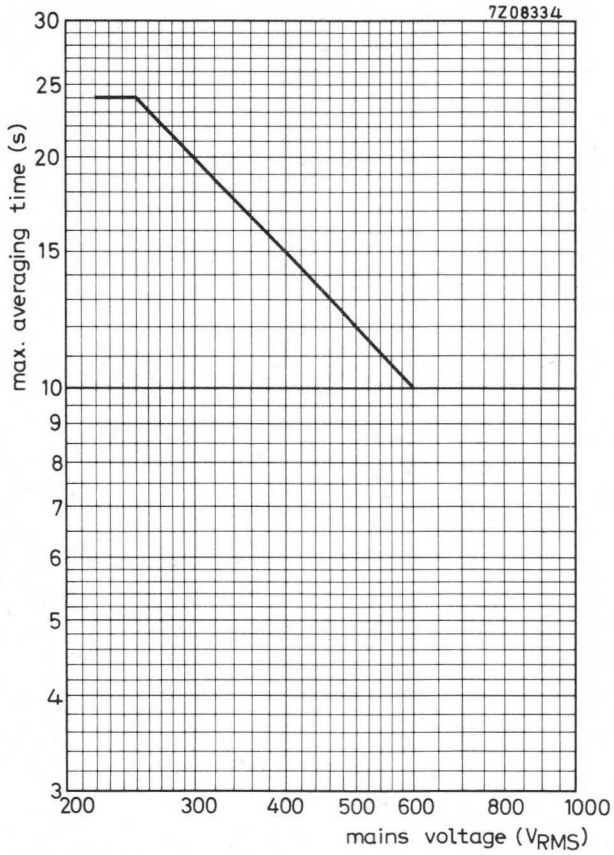
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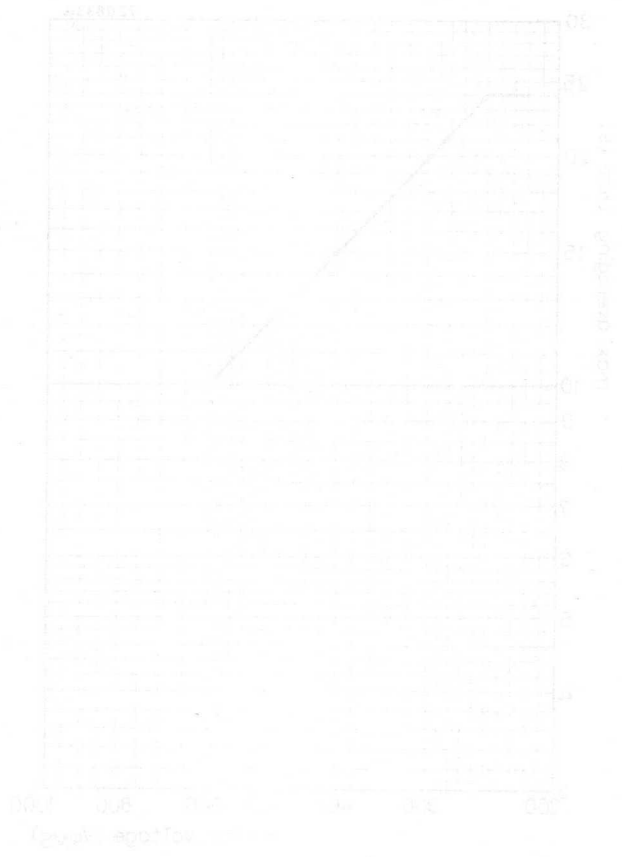


Intermittent rectifier service

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## IGNITRON

Up-rated C size ignitron intended for use in single-phase resistance welding control and similar A.C. control applications.

The tube has a plastic coated stainless steel watercooling jacket, quick change water connections and a temperature sensing pad for mounting of a thermostat.

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Maximum demand power (two tubes in inverse parallel) at 600 V <sub>RMS</sub>	2300 kVA
Maximum average current	180 A
Ignitor voltage	150 V
Ignitor current	max. 12 A

### MECHANICAL DATA

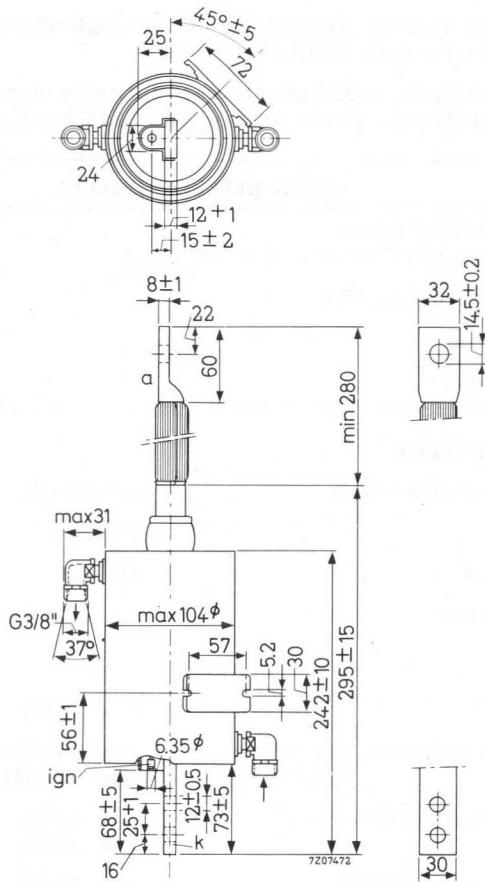
Dimensions and connections	see page 2
Net weight	2900 g
Shipping weight	4160 g
Mounting position	vertical, anode connection up

### Accessories

Ignitor cable	type 55351
Water hose connections: hose nipple	type TE1051c
coupling nut	type TE1051b
Overload protection thermostat	type 55306 or 55318
Water economy thermostat	type 55305 or 55317

DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm



**TEMPERATURE LIMITS AND COOLING**

**TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Pressure drop of cooling water (q = 6 l/min)	$p_i$	max. 0.2 kg/cm <sup>2</sup>
Temperature rise at max. average current (q = 6 l/min)	$t_o - t_i$	max. 6 °C

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

A.C. control service

Required water flow at max. average current (See also page 10)	q	min. 6 l/min
Inlet temperature <sup>1)</sup>	$t_i$	min. 10 °C max. 40 °C
Temperature of thermostat mount <sup>2)</sup>	$t_m$	max. 50 °C

Pulse service

Under conditions of pulse service with low average load (less than 1 A) continuous cooling is normally not required. The cooling jacket can e.g. be permanently filled with oil.

Care should be taken to prevent condensation of mercury at the anode or glass seal. See also "Application directions ignitrons"

Recommended condensed mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$	25 to 30 °C
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1) When a number of tubes is cooled in series,  $t_{i \min}$  refers to the coldest tube and  $t_{i \max}$  to the hottest tube.

2) WARNING: The thermostat mount is at full line voltage. When the cooling systems of a number of tubes are connected in series the overload protecting thermostat should be mounted on the last and the water economy thermostat on the last but one tube.

**ELECTRICAL DATA**

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

The limiting values are based on full cycle conduction duty, with equally distributed load on all ignitrons, regardless of whether phase control is used or not.

The load must be limited so that at zero phase delay no overload will result.

Single phase A.C. control, two tubes in inverse parallel connection.

Table I. See also pages 8, 9 and 11.

Mains frequency range		25 to 60					Hz
Mains voltage	V	220 <sup>1)</sup>	250	380	500	600	$V_{RMS}$
Max. averaging time	$T_{av\ max}$	21.0	21.0	13.8	10.5	8.7	$s$
<b>A. Max. demand power</b>							
Max. demand power	$P_{max}$	1100	1250	1650	2000	2300	kVA
Corresponding max. average current	$I_{av}$	110	110	110	110	110	A
Demand current	$I_{RMS}$	5000	5000	4350	4000	3800	$A_{RMS}$
Duty factor	$\delta$	4.9	4.9	5.6	6.1	6.4	%
Number of cycles within $T_{av\ max}$ . <sup>2)</sup>	$n(50\ Hz)$	51	51	38	32	27	$c/T_{av\ max}$
Integrated RMS load current	$I_F$	1100	1100	1030	990	970	$A_{RMS}$
<b>B. Max. average current</b>							
Max. average current	$I_{av\ max}$	180	180	180	180	180	A
Corresponding max. demand power	P	340	415	550	670	760	kVA
Demand current	$I_{RMS}$	1650	1650	1450	1330	1270	$A_{RMS}$
Duty factor	$\delta$	24.2	24.2	27.2	30.0	31.4	%
Number of cycles within $T_{av\ max}$ . <sup>2)</sup>	$n(50\ Hz)$	254	254	190	157	136	$c/T_{av\ max}$
Integrated RMS load current	$I_F$	810	810	760	730	710	$A_{RMS}$
Max. surge current ( $T_{max} = 0.15\ s$ )	$I_{surge}$	14.0	14.0	12.2	11.2	10.6	kA

1) For mains voltages below 250  $V_{RMS}$  the max. demand current and max. averaging time valid at 250 V shall not be exceeded.

2) This is the maximum integrated number of cycles a pair of tubes may conduct with or without interruption during the maximum averaging time:

$$n_{max} = \text{duty factor} \times T_{av\ max} \times \text{mains frequency.}$$

**ELECTRICAL DATA** (continued)

Pulse service

Under certain conditions this ignitron may be used to switch aperiodic current pulses to a very high value (up to 100 kA) and voltages up to 10 kV. The performance depends on the circuit in which the tube is used. The manufacturer should be consulted.

IGNITOR CHARACTERISTICS AND IGNITION CIRCUIT REQUIREMENTS

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Ignitor voltage, forward peak	$V_{igp}$	max. 2000 V
inverse peak (including any transients)	$-V_{igp}$	max. 5 V
Ignitor current, forward peak	$I_{igp}$	max. 100 A
inverse peak	$-I_{igp}$	max. 0 A
forward RMS	$I_{igRMS}$	max. 10 A
forward average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 5 \text{ s}$ )	$I_{ig}$	max. 1 A

A. Anode excitation

Ignitor characteristics

Firing voltage	$V_{ig}$	150 V
Firing current	$I_{ig}$	6 to 8 A max. 12 A
Ignition time at the above voltage or current	$T_{ig}$	max. 50 $\mu\text{s}$ <sup>1)</sup>

Ignition circuit requirements

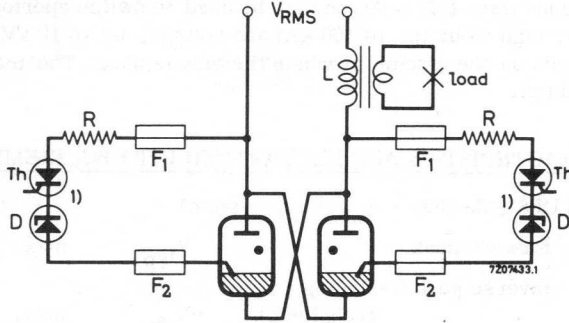
Peak voltage required to fire	$V_p$	min. 200 V
Peak current required to fire	$I_p$	min. 12 A
Rate of rise of ignitor current	$di/dT$	min. 0.1 A/ $\mu\text{s}$

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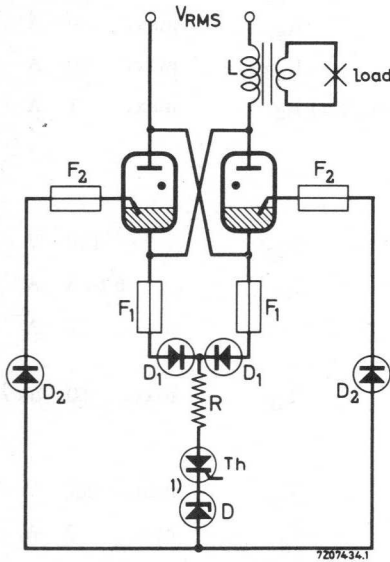
IGNITOR CHARACTERISTICS AND IGNITION CIRCUIT REQUIREMENTS

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Recommended circuits for anode excitation



Anode excitation with individual thyristors



Anode excitation with common thyristor

$V_{RMS}$	220	250	380	500	600	V
R	2	2	4	5	6	$\Omega$
$F_1$	= 2 A fast response time					
$F_2$	= 10 A fast response time					
D	= zener voltage $\geq 18$ V					

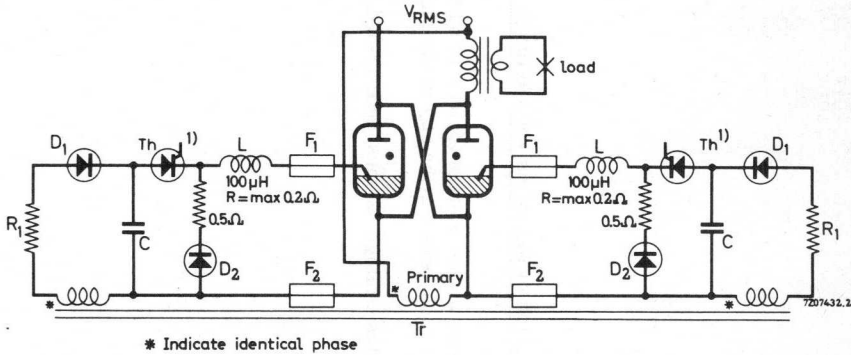
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IGNITOR CHARACTERISTICS AND IGNITION CIRCUIT REQUIREMENTS

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B. Separate excitation

Recommended circuit for separate excitation



Capacitor value	C	2	8	$\mu\text{F}$
Capacitor voltage	$V_c$	650	400	$\text{V} \pm 10\%$
Peak value of closed circuit current		80 to 100		A

1) The thyristor may be substituted by a thyratron.

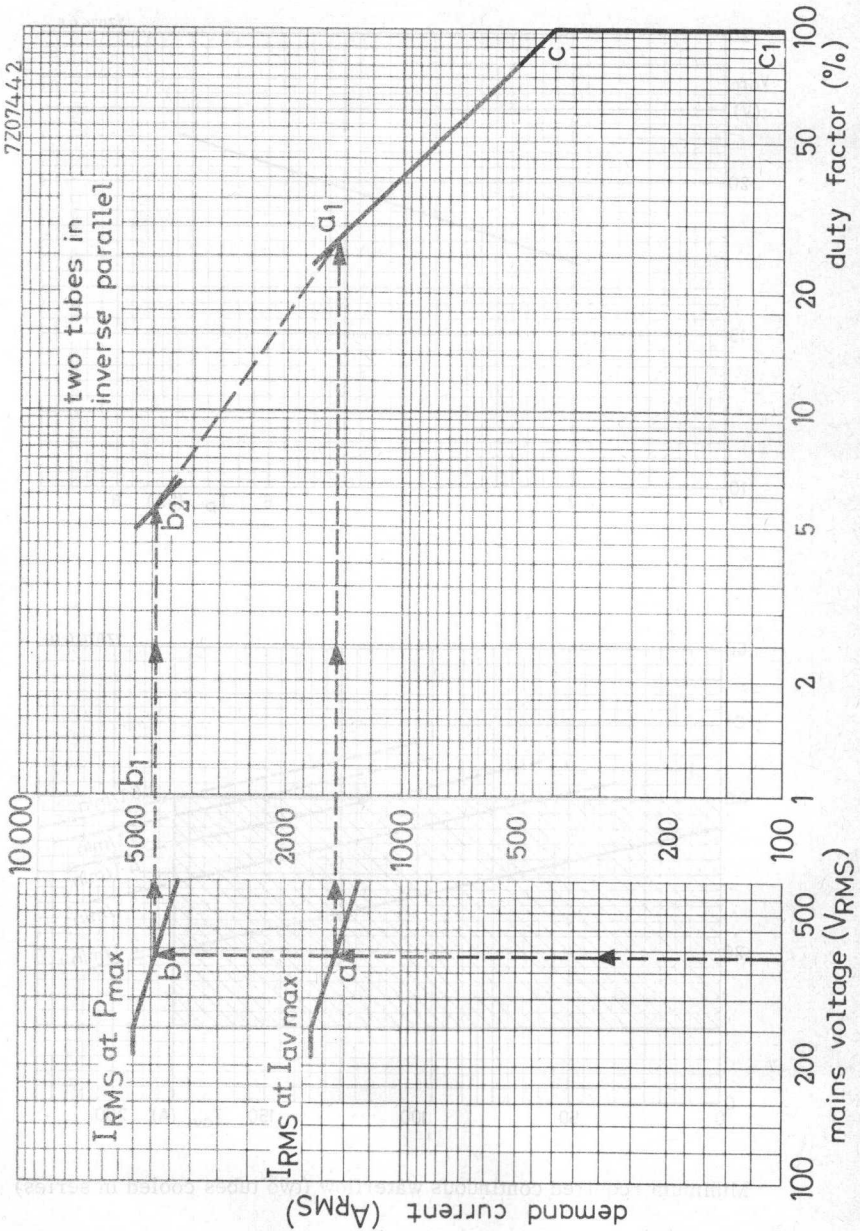
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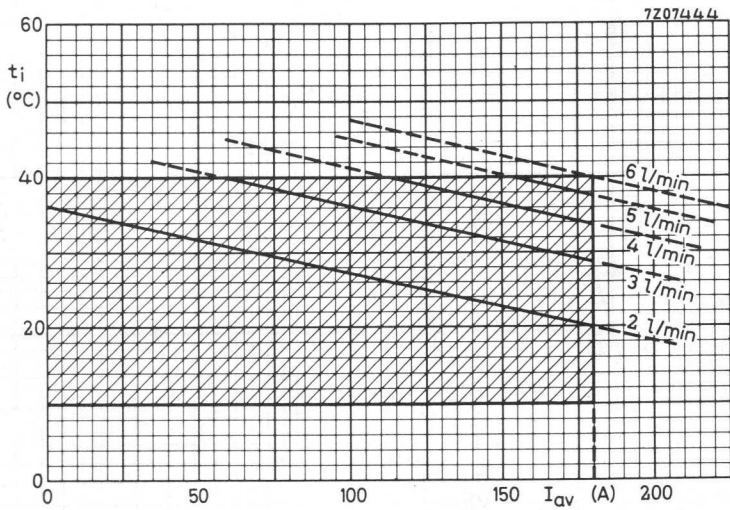
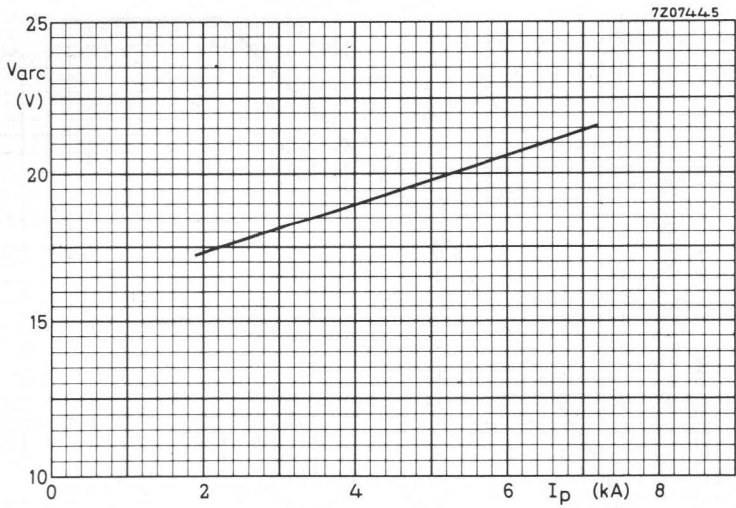
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Minimum required continuous waterflow (two tubes cooled in series)

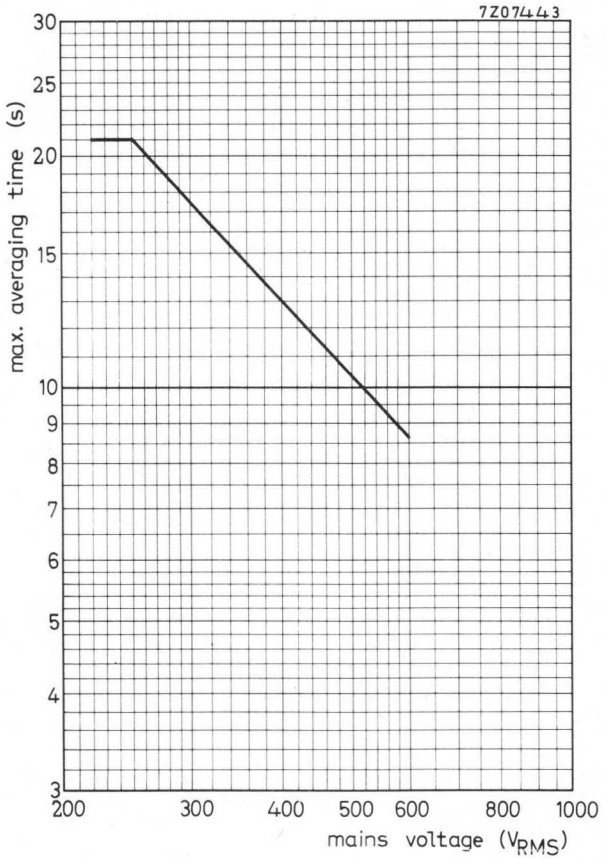
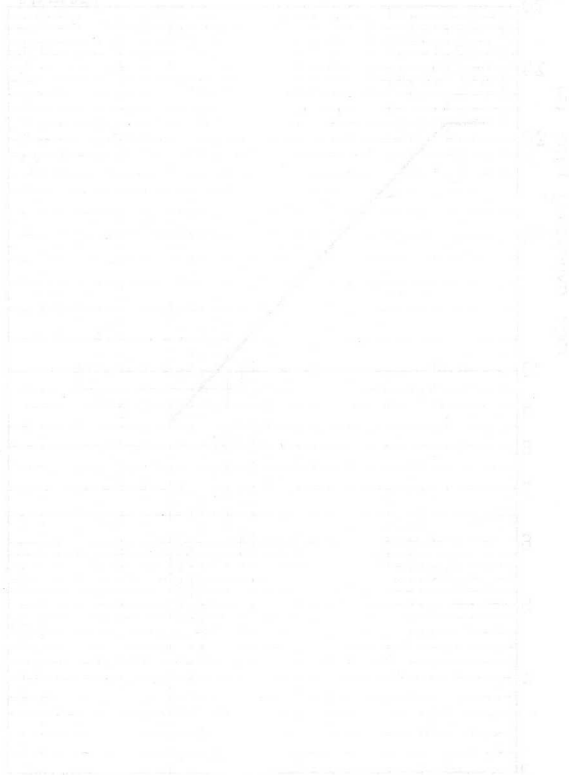


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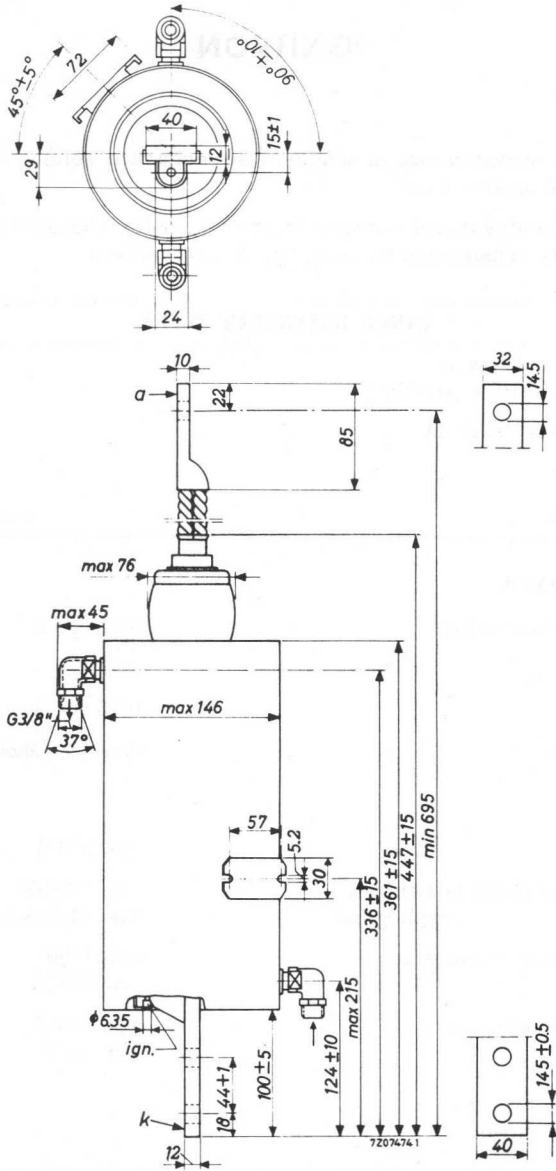


Variable X      Variable Y



DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm



**TEMPERATURE LIMITS AND COOLING**

**TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Pressure drop of cooling water (q = 9 l/min)	$p_i$	max. 0.35	kg/cm <sup>2</sup>
Temperature rise at max. average current (q = 9 l/min)	$t_o - t_i$	9	°C

**LIMITING VALUES**

A.C. control service

Required water flow at max. average current (See also page 8)	q	min. 9	l/min
Inlet temperature <sup>1)</sup>	$t_i$	min. 10 max. 40	°C
Temperature of thermostat mount <sup>2)</sup>	$t_m$	max. 50	°C

1) When a number of tubes is cooled in series,  $t_i$  min. refers to the coldest tube and  $t_i$  max. to the hottest tube.

2) WARNING. The thermostat mount is at full line voltage.  
When the cooling systems of a number of tubes are connected in series the overload protecting thermostat should be mounted on the last and the water economy thermostat on the last but one tube.

## ELECTRICAL DATA

### LIMITING VALUES (Absolute max. rating system)

The limiting values are based on full cycle conduction duty, with equally distributed load on all ignitrons, regardless of whether phase control is used or not. The load must be limited so that at zero phase delay no overload will result.

Single phase A.C. control, two tubes in inverse parallel connection

Table 1. See also pages 10, 11 and 12.

Mains frequency range	f	25 to 60					Hz
Mains voltage	V	220 <sup>1)</sup>	250	380	500	600	V <sub>RMS</sub>
Max. averaging time	T <sub>av</sub> max	12.5	12.5	8.4	6.4	5.3	s
<b>A. Max. demand power</b>							
Max. demand power	P <sub>max</sub>	2200	2500	2750	3000	3225	kVA
Corresponding average current	I <sub>av</sub>	210	210	210	210	210	A
Demand current	I <sub>RMS</sub>	10000	10000	7250	6000	5380	A <sub>RMS</sub>
Duty factor	δ	4.7	4.7	6.5	7.8	8.7	%
Number of cycles within T <sub>av</sub> max. <sup>2)</sup>	n (50 Hz)	29	29	27	25	23	c/T <sub>av</sub> max.
Integrated RMS load current	I <sub>F</sub>	2160	2160	1850	1670	1580	A <sub>RMS</sub>
<b>B. Max. average current</b>							
Max. average current	I <sub>av</sub> max	400	400	400	400	400	A
Corresponding demand power	P	735	835	915	1000	1075	kVA
Demand current	I <sub>RMS</sub>	3335	3335	2415	2000	1795	A <sub>RMS</sub>
Duty factor	δ	26.6	26.6	36.8	44.4	49.5	%
Number of cycles within T <sub>av</sub> max. <sup>2)</sup>	n (50 Hz)	166	166	155	142	132	c/T <sub>av</sub> max.
Integrated RMS load current	I <sub>F</sub>	1720	1720	1465	1330	1260	A <sub>RMS</sub>
Max. surge current T <sub>max.</sub> = 0.15 s	I <sub>surge</sub>	28	28	21	17	15	kA

1) For mains voltage below 250 V<sub>RMS</sub> the max. demand current and max. averaging time valid at 250 V shall not be exceeded.

2) This is the maximum integrated number of cycles a pair of tubes may conduct with or without interruption during the maximum averaging time:  
 $n_{max} = \text{duty factor} \times T_{av \text{ max.}} \times \text{mains frequency.}$



IGNITOR CHARACTERISTICS AND IGNITION CIRCUIT REQUIREMENTS

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Ignitor voltage, forward peak	$V_{igp}$	max. 2000 V
inverse peak (including any transients)	$-V_{igp}$	max. 5 V
Ignitor current, forward peak	$I_{igp}$	max. 100 A
inverse peak	$-I_{igp}$	max. 0 A
forward RMS	$I_{igRMS}$	max. 10 A
forward average ( $T_{av} = \text{max. } 5 \text{ s}$ )	$I_{ig}$	max. 1 A

A. Anode excitation

Ignitor characteristics

Firing voltage	$V_{ig}$	180 V
Firing current	$I_{ig}$	6 to 8 A max. 12 A
Ignition time at the above voltage or current	$T_{ig}$	max. 50 $\mu\text{s}$ <sup>1)</sup>

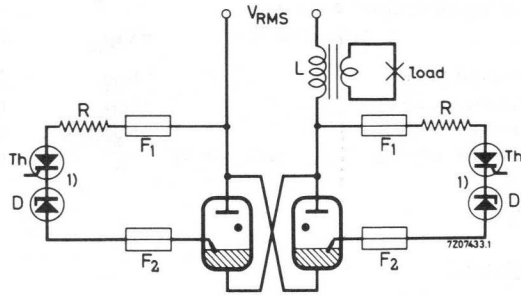
Ignition circuit requirements

Peak voltage required to fire	$V_p$	min. 200 V
Peak current required for anode take over	$I_p$	12 A
Rate of rise of ignitor current	$di/dT$	min. 0.1 A/ $\mu\text{s}$

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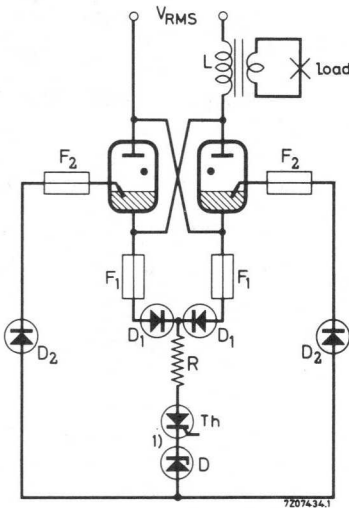
IGNITOR CHARACTERISTICS AND IGNITION CIRCUIT REQUIREMENTS

Recommended circuits for anode excitation



Anode excitation with individual thyristors

- $V_{RMS}$  220 250 380 500 600 V
- R 2 2 4 5 6  $\Omega$
- $F_1 =$  2 A fast response time
- $F_2 =$  10 A fast response time
- D = zener voltage  $\geq$  18 V



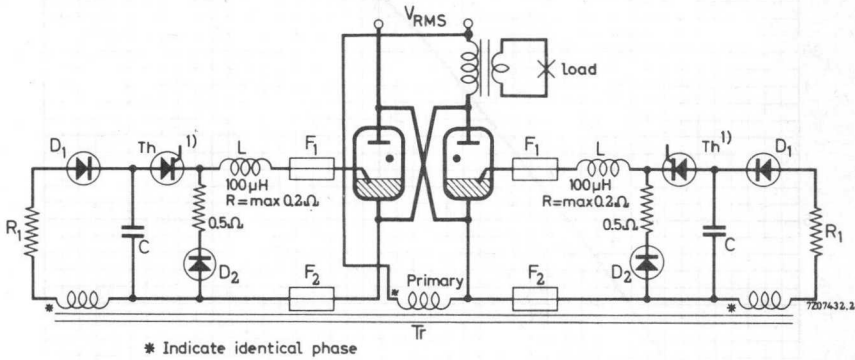
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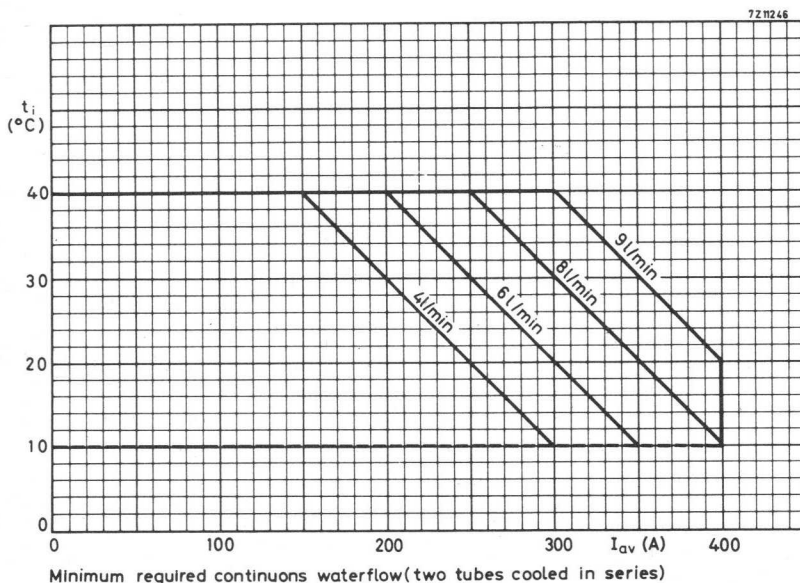
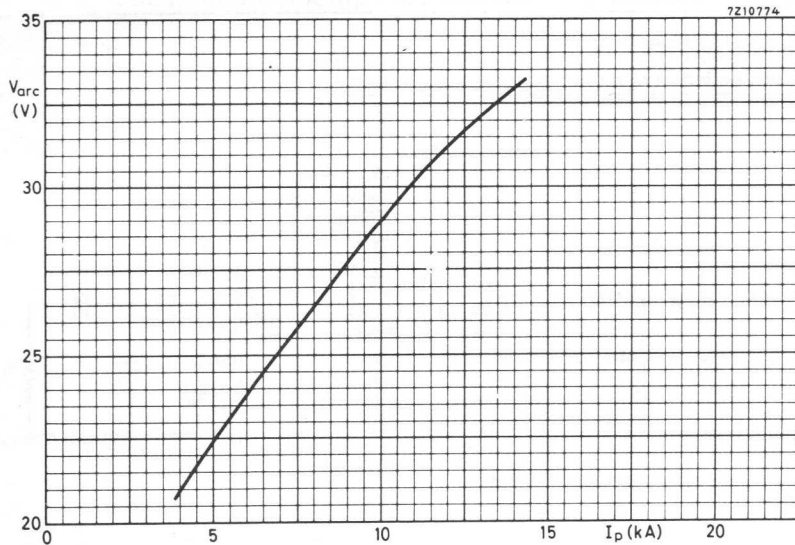
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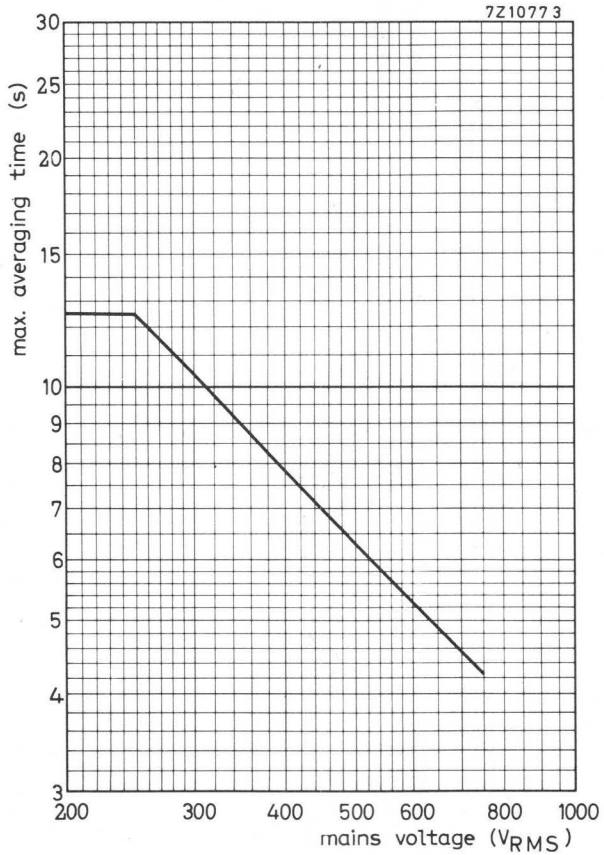
Recommended circuit for separate excitation



Capacitor value	2 $\mu$ F
Capacitor voltage	650 V $\pm$ 10%
Peak value of closed circuit current	80 to 100 A

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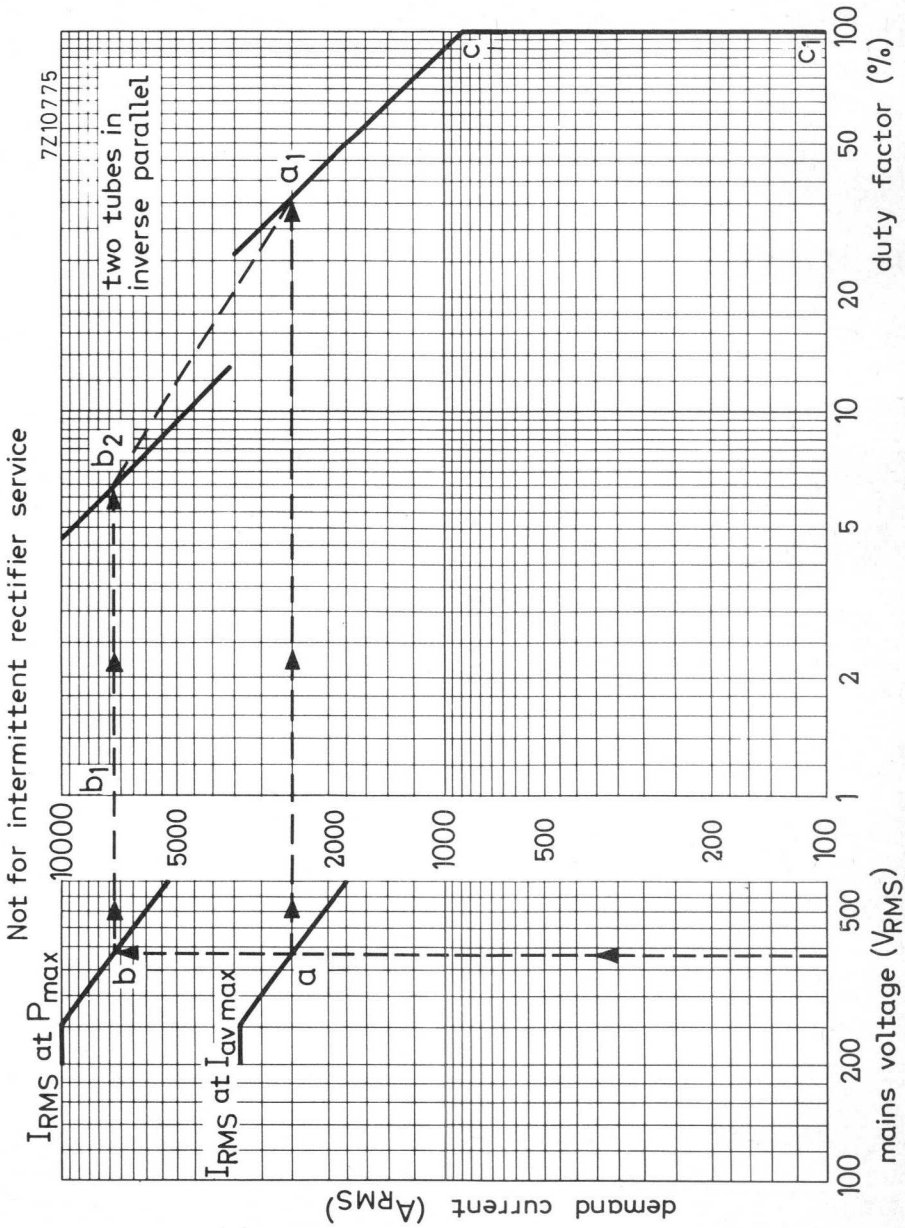


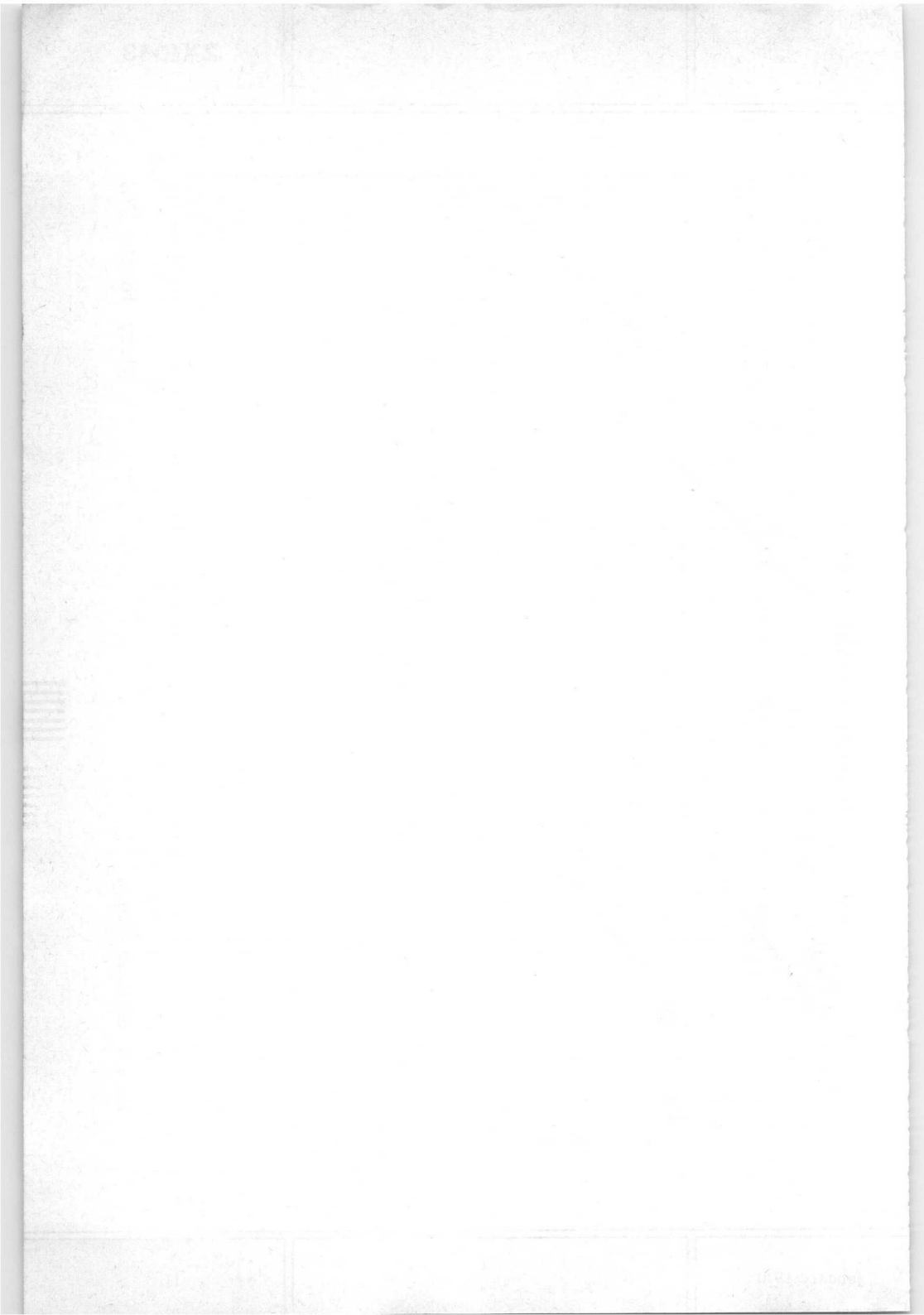


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# High-voltage rectifying tubes



RECOMMENDED TYPES FOR NEW EQUIPMENT

High-voltage rectifying tubes

DCG4/1000

DCG6/18

DCG7/100

DCG7/100B

DCX4/1000

DCX4/5000

ZT1000

ZT1001

ZY1000

ZY1001

ZY1002

High-voltage rectifying tubes



# HIGH-VOLTAGE RECTIFYING TUBES

## LIST OF SYMBOLS

### Remarks

- a. In the case of indirectly heated tubes the voltages on the various electrodes are with respect to the cathode, in the case of a. c. fed, directly heated tubes with respect to the electrical centre of the filament, unless otherwise stated.
- b. The symbols for voltages and currents quoted below represent the average values of the concerning voltages and currents, unless otherwise stated.
- c. The positive electrical current is directed opposite to the direction of the electron current

Anode	a
Capacitance between anode and grid (the other elements being earthed)	$C_{ag}$
Capacitance between grid and all other elements except anode	$C_g$
Frequency	f
Filament or heater	f
Grid	g
Anode current	$I_a$
Filament or heater current	$I_f$
Grid current	$I_g$
D. C. output current of a rectifying tube	$I_o$
Peak value of a current	$I_p$
Fault current	$I_{surge}$
Cathode	k
Resistance in grid lead	$R_g$
Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$
Averaging time	$T_{av}$
Deionisation time	$T_{dion}$
Temperature of condensed mercury	$t_{Hg}$
Ionisation time	$T_{ion}$

Waiting time (= time which has to pass between switching on of the filament or heater voltage and switching on of the other voltages)	$T_w$
Anode voltage	$V_a$
Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$
Heater voltage	$V_f$
Grid voltage	$V_g$
Inverse voltage	$V_{inv}$
D.C. voltage supplied by a rectifying tube	$V_o$
Secondary transformer voltage	$V_{tr}$
Output power	$W_o$



## GENERAL OPERATIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS HIGH-VOLTAGE RECTIFYING TUBES

The following instructions apply in general to all types of high-voltage rectifying tubes. If there are additional instructions for any type of tube it will be indicated on the technical data sheets of the concerning type.

### MOUNTING

The mercury-vapour filled types must be mounted vertically with the base or filament strips at the lower end. The mounting position of the gas-filled types is in general arbitrary.

The tubes must be mounted so that air can circulate freely around them. Therefore the clearance between the tubes and other components of the circuit and between the tubes and the cabinet walls should be at least half the maximum bulb diameter. The minimum clearance between tubes should be  $3/4$  the maximum bulb diameter.

It should be realised that a minimum clearance is also required for reasons of high voltage insulation.

When a tube is operating and the cooling is only obtained by natural convection the temperature distribution along the bulb will be such that the lowest temperature occurs at the bottom. This distribution is of special importance in the case of mercury-vapour filled types in order to condense the mercury-vapour in the lower part of the tube. Where additional cooling is necessary this cooling should not disturb this normal temperature distribution along the bulb.

Generally if shock or vibration exceeds 0.5 g a shock absorbing device should be used.

The electrode connections, except those of the tube socket, must be flexible. The nuts (e.g. of the anode connections) should be well tightened but care must be taken to ensure that no undue forces are exerted on the tube. The contacts must be checked at regular intervals and their surfaces kept clean in order to avoid excessive heating of the glass-metal seals. The cross section of the conductors should be sufficient to avoid overheating by the current. However, to maintain the normal temperature distribution along the bulb the conductors should not conduct too much heat away from the tube. (It should be noted that in rectifier circuits the r.m.s. value of the anode current may reach 2.5 times the average value.)

## FILAMENT SUPPLY

In order to obtain the maximum life of a directly heated cathode, a filament transformer with centre-tap and a phase shift of  $90^\circ \pm 30^\circ$  between  $V_a$  and  $V_f$  is recommended. Series connection of filaments is not allowable.

The filament voltage at nominal mains voltage must be measured at the terminals of the tube. Permanent deviations up to 2.5% from the published value can be accepted. It is therefore recommended that the filament transformer be equipped with suitable tappings. Temporary variations should not exceed 5%.

However to ensure maximum life it is important to keep the filament voltage as near as possible to the nominal value.

In calculating the rating of the filament transformer a spread in the filament current of  $\pm 10\%$  from tube to tube should be taken into account, whilst for directly heated tubes the d.c. current flowing through the heater winding should also be considered. It is recommended to furnish the filament transformer with several taps on the primary especially in case of h.t. -insulated high magnetic leakage transformers.

## TEMPERATURE

### 1. Tubes filled with mercury vapour

In the technical data of these tube types temperature limits for the condensed mercury are given. During operation the condensed mercury should only be visible in the neighbourhood of the socket or the lowest part of the bulb. Care should be taken to ensure that the condensed mercury temperature during operation is between the published temperature limits. Too low a temperature gives low gas pressure which results in a low current carrying capability, high arc drop and consequently shortening of life. Too high a temperature gives high gas pressure which results in a reduction of the permissible peak inverse and forward voltage.

Accurate values of the condensed mercury temperature can be measured by means of a thermocouple placed against the envelope, but good technique and instruments are necessary for this measurement. In general temperature values of sufficient accuracy can be obtained by using a normal mercury thermometer the mercury vessel of which is wrapped in staniol strips and that can be fixed against the bulb by means of a cotton thread.

The temperature measurements should be made at the coldest part of the bulb where the mercury vapour condenses which in general will be just above the base or the lower connections.

In addition to the temperature limits for the condensed mercury sometimes limits for the ambient temperature are given. For each type there is a specific difference between ambient and condensed mercury temperature. High ambient temperature can make it desirable to decrease this difference, which can be

obtained by directing a low velocity air flow of ambient temperature or less to the glass just above the base.

The condensed mercury temperature is decisive in all cases.

The ambient temperature can be measured by a thermometer which has been screened against direct heat radiation. The measurement should be carried out at a distance of max. once and min. half the tube diameter from the tube at the same height as the condensed mercury or just above the base.

2. Tubes with inert gas filling.

For these tubes only the limits of the ambient temperature are given. These limits are in general minimum  $-55^{\circ}\text{C}$  and maximum  $+75^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

### SWITCHING ON

If switching on of the rectifier takes place twice a day or less the allowable peak anode current when switching on may amount up to twice the maximum published value for  $I_{ap}$ .

1. Tubes filled with mercury vapour.

It is necessary to allow time for the cathode to reach its operating temperature before drawing anode current. Therefore the minimum cathode heating time is given in the published data sheets of each type. After the cathode heating time the high voltage may be switched on provided the temperature of the condensed mercury is not too low and all the condensed mercury is confined to the lower part of the bulb.

Sometimes a heat conserving hood is prescribed for the tube. The purpose of this hood is to avoid condensation of the mercury vapour on the electrodes and upper part of the bulb whilst the tube is cooling.

Switching on (not after transport) may be done at a condensed mercury temperature which lies 5 to  $10^{\circ}\text{C}$  below the published minimum temperature (minimum waiting time required). However, it is good practice to switch on after the temperature has reached its minimum published value (recommended waiting time).

The waiting times, the minimum required and the recommended one can be read from the curve representing the condensed mercury temperature rise as a function of time with only the filament voltage applied to the tube.

Switching on after transport or after a considerable interruption of operation should be done according to the instructions on the published data sheets.

In order to avoid long preheating times it is recommended to leave the filament supply on during standby periods (e.g. overnight) at 60 to 80% of the nominal value.

### Standby position for mercury vapour filled tubes.

In order to have a spare tube always ready for immediate operation it is recommended to have a spare position where a tube stands with continuously a filament voltage of 60-80% of the nominal voltage applied.

When for a certain type a heat conserving hood is prescribed this hood should be fitted on the tube.

### 2. Tubes with inert gas-filling

It is necessary to allow the cathode to reach operating temperature before drawing anode current. The relevant minimum cathode heating time is given in the technical data sheets of each type. After warming up the anode voltage may be applied provided that the ambient temperature is not below the minimum published value.

No other delays apart from the cathode heating delay are required.

## **LIMITING VALUES**

The limiting values should be used in accordance with the "Absolute maximum rating system" as defined by IEC publication 134.

Absolute maximum rating system. Absolute maximum ratings are limiting values of operating and environmental conditions applicable to any electronic device of a specified type as defined by its published data, and should not be exceeded under the worst probable conditions.

These values are chosen by the device manufacturer to provide acceptable serviceability of the device, taking no responsibility for equipment variations, environmental variations, and the effects of changes in operating conditions due to variations in the characteristics of the device under consideration and of all other electronic devices in the equipment.

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

For some ratings of average current a maximum averaging time is quoted. This is to ensure that an anode current greater than the maximum continuously permissible average value is not drawn for such a length of time as would give rise to an excessive temperature within the tube.

The maximum peak anode current is determined by the available safe cathode emission whereas the average current is limited by its heating effects. During normal operation or frequent switching the peak current should not exceed its



maximum published value.

For the determination of the actual value of the peak inverse voltage and the peak anode current, the measured values with an oscilloscope or otherwise are decisive.

The  $I_{\text{surge}}$  is the maximum fault current which should ever be allowed to pass through the tube. (See section "Short circuit protection".)

## DESIGN VALUES

### 1. $V_{\text{arc}}$

The value published for  $V_{\text{arc}}$  applies to average operating conditions.

### 2. Frequency

Unless otherwise stated the maximum frequency at which the tubes may run under full load is 150 Hz. Under special conditions (derating of voltage and current) higher frequencies may be used; details should be obtained from the manufacturer.

## TYPICAL OPERATING CONDITIONS

Sometimes 2 columns of operating conditions are given viz. one giving theoretical values based on the absolute maxima and one giving more practical values in which mains fluctuations of max. 10% and a voltage drop in tube, transformer, filter etc. of max. 8% are incorporated.

## SHORT CIRCUIT PROTECTION

In order to prevent the tube from being damaged by passing too high a fault current a value for the maximum permissible surge current is given.

The figure given for the maximum surge current is intended as a guide to equipment designers. It indicates the maximum value of a transient current resulting from a sudden overload or short circuit which the rectifier can pass for a period not exceeding 0.1 second without resulting in its immediate destruction. Several overloads of this nature will, however, considerably reduce the life of the tube.

The equipment designer has to take into account this maximum surge current rating when calculating the short-circuit impedance of the equipment.

This surge current value is not intended as a peak current that may occur during switching-on or during operation.

A simple method to limit the surge current to the maximum rating is to put a series resistance in the anode circuit which in most cases will also be necessary because the relation between the ohmic and the inductive resistance of the short circuit path should be at least 0.3.

## SCREENING AND INTERFERENCE

In order to prevent unwanted ionisation of the gas filling (and consequent flash over) due to strong r.f. fields, it may be necessary to enclose the rectifier in a separate earthed screening box. Of course r.f. should be prevented from reaching the rectifier by r.f. chokes and condensers.

In circuits with gas filled tubes oscillation in the transformer windings can occur especially in grid controlled circuits. These oscillations should be reduced by suitable circuits as excessive peak inverse voltages may occur, causing arc back. The use of two parallel RC circuits is advisable.

An air choke in the order of  $100\mu\text{H}$  should be connected in series with and close to the anode connection. This choke can advantageously be wound from resistance wire in order to help short circuit protection.

## SMOOTHING CIRCUITS

In order to limit the peak anode current in a rectifying tube it is necessary to use a choke-input filter.

If switching on of the rectifier takes place twice a day or less the allowable peak anode current when switching on may reach a value of twice the published max. value for  $I_{aP}$ .

To ensure good voltage regulation on fluctuating loads the inductance value of the choke should be large enough to give uninterrupted current at minimum load. The choke and capacitor must not resonate at the supply or ripple frequency. Damping of this choke will be necessary.

In grid controlled rectifier circuits under "phased back" conditions the harmonic content of the d.c. output will be large unless the inductance is adequate.

## PARALLEL OPERATION OF MERCURY-VAPOUR OF GAS-FILLED TUBES

As individual gas or mercury-vapour filled tubes may have slightly different characteristics two or more tubes must not be connected directly in parallel.

Parallel operation is permissible when series resistances are used and the peak voltage drop over this series resistance is at least the ignition voltage. Coupling transformers in the anode leads of parallel connected tubes can serve the same purpose.

## GRID CONTROLLED RECTIFIERS

When a thyatron is conducting, a positive ion current of a magnitude proportional to the cathode current is generated. This current will, in general, flow to that electrode which is at the most negative potential during conduction (e.g. the grid). In order to prevent damage to the tube it is necessary to ensure that

the voltage of this electrode is less negative than -10 volts during this phase. This precaution will prevent an increase in electrode emission due to excessive electrode dissipation, sputtering of electrode material, changes in the control characteristics caused by shift in contact potential and, in the case of inert gas-filled tubes, a rapid gas clean-up. The minimum allowable value of the grid resistor is  $0.1 \times$  the recommended one.

In circuits where the anode potential changes from a positive to a negative value and the control grid is at a positive potential, thereby drawing grid current, a small positive ion current flows to the anode. At high negative anode voltages it is therefore essential to limit the magnitude of the positive ion current by severely restricting the current flowing from cathode to grid.

This may be effected by using fixed negative grid bias and narrow positive firing pulses.

However, for bridge circuits the minimum width of these pulses should be sufficiently large to secure safe "take-over" of the discharge.

In those circuits where the anode potential changes very rapidly from a positive to a high negative value, such as with inductive loads fed from polyphase supplies, there will be residual positive ions within the tube which will be drawn towards the anode with considerable energy. In the case of an inert gas-filled tube this would result in excessive gas clean-up and it is therefore necessary to observe the limitations imposed by the commutation factor.

## CONTROL CHARACTERISTICS

In most cases the control characteristic given on the data sheets is shown by upper and lower boundary curves within which all tubes may be expected to remain at all temperatures of the published range and during life.

In multitube circuits where the tubes are operating under the same conditions the spread will in general be smaller.

The published boundaries are therefore to be considered as extreme limits. This should be taken into consideration when designing grid excitation circuits.

## GRID EXCITATION CIRCUITS

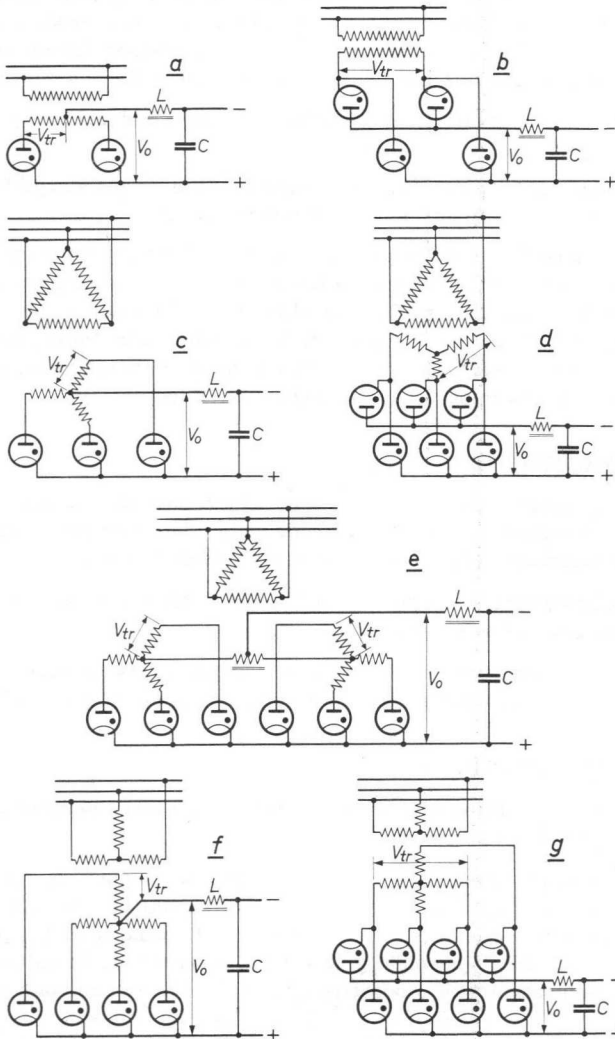
To keep the instant of ignition as constant as possible a large value of excitation voltage is recommended.

The use of a negative grid bias (50 to 120 volts) and a sharp positive grid pulse is recommended. The magnitude of the grid pulse should be 100 to 200 volts with a grid series resistor of  $10 \text{ k}\Omega$  and a maximum impedance of the peaking transformer of  $10 \text{ k}\Omega$ . If a sinusoidal grid voltage is used r.m.s. values of 50 to 120 volts in combination with a negative grid bias of 50 to 120 volts are recommended.

BRIDGE CIRCUITS (diagrams b, d and g)

For output voltages of more than 6 kV bridge circuits are recommended because of the lower peak inverse anode voltage and the larger range of applicable ambient temperatures.

The current angle of the grid should be for 2 phase bridge circuits  $> 90^\circ$ , for 3 phase  $> 60^\circ$ , and for 4 phase  $> 45^\circ$ .



## GRID-CONTROLLED HIGH-VOLTAGE MERCURY-VAPOUR RECTIFYING TUBE

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Peak inverse voltage	$V_a \text{ inv}_p$	max.	13 kV
Peak forward voltage	$V_{ap}$	max.	13 kV
Output current	$I_o$	max.	1 A
Peak anode current	$I_{ap}$	max.	4 A
Negative grid voltage	$-V_g$	max.	300 V
Peak grid current	$I_{gp}$	max.	50 mA

For electrical data please refer to type DCG6/6000

### MECHANICAL DATA (Dimensions in mm)

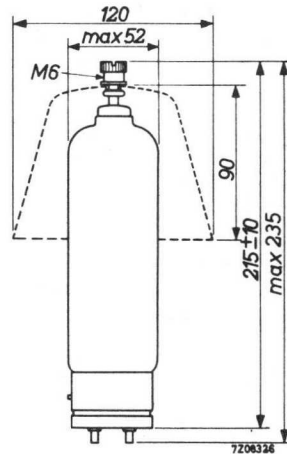
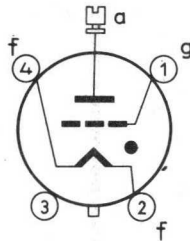
Base : Jumbo 4 p, with bayonet

Socket : 2422 511 02001

Anode cap : 40616

This cap must always be mounted on the tube, thus also during preheating

Net weight : 240 g



Mounting position: vertical with base down

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## HIGH-VOLTAGE MERCURY-VAPOUR RECTIFYING TUBE

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Peak inverse voltage	$V_{a \text{ inv}_p} = \text{max. } 3000 \text{ V}$
Output current	$I_o = \text{max. } 250 \text{ mA}$
Peak anode current	$I_{a_p} = \text{max. } 1250 \text{ mA}$

**HEATING:** direct; filament oxide-coated

Filament voltage	$V_f = 4 \text{ V}$
Filament current	$I_f = 2.5 \text{ A}$

In order to ameliorate the life of the tube a preheating time of the filament of at least 15 sec. is recommended

Phase shift of  $90^\circ \pm 30^\circ$  between  $V_a$  and  $V_f$  and use of a centre-tapped filament transformer are recommended

### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

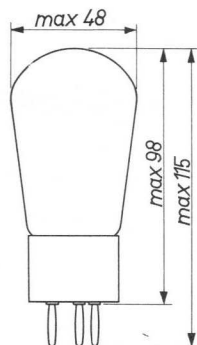
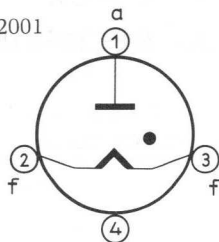
Arc voltage  $V_{\text{arc}} (I_a = 250 \text{ mA}) = 12 \text{ V}$

### LIMITING VALUES (Absolute limits)

Frequency	$f = \text{max. } 500 \text{ Hz}$
Peak inverse voltage up to 150·Hz	$V_{a \text{ inv}_p} = \text{max. } 3000 \text{ V}$
Peak inverse voltage up to 500 Hz	$V_{a \text{ inv}_p} = \text{max. } 2550 \text{ V}$
Output current	$I_o = \text{max. } 250 \text{ mA}$
Peak anode current	$I_{a_p} = \text{max. } 1250 \text{ mA}$
Ambient temperature	$t_{\text{amb}} = 10 \text{ to } 40 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

**MECHANICAL DATA** Dimensions in mm

Base : A  
 Socket : 2422 512 02001  
 Net weight : 45 g



Mounting position : vertical with base down

**OPERATING CONDITIONS**

Transformer regulation and voltage drops in the tubes are neglected

Peak inverse voltage $V_{a\ inv_p} = 3\ kV$				
Circuit <sup>1)</sup>	Transformer voltage $V_{tr} (V_{RMS})$	Output voltage $V_o (V)$	Output current $I_o (A)$	Power output $W_o (kW)$
a	1060	950	0.5	0.48
b	2120	1910	0.5	0.95
c	1220	1430	0.75	1.07
d	2120	2870	0.75	2.15
e	1060	1240	1.5	1.86
f	1060	1350	1.0	1.35
g	2120	2700	1.0	2.70

<sup>1)</sup> For circuits see page 8 in front of this section.



## HIGH-VOLTAGE MERCURY-VAPOUR RECTIFYING TUBE

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Peak inverse voltage	$V_{ainvp}$	= max. 10 kV	max. 2 kV
Output current	$I_o$	= max. 0.25 A	max. 0.5 A
Peak anode current	$I_{ap}$	= max. 1 A	max. 2 A

**HEATING:** direct; filament oxide-coated

Filament voltage  $V_f$  = 2.5 V

Filament current  $I_f$  = 4.8 A

Cathode heating time  $T_w$  = min. 30 s

Phase shift of  $90^\circ \pm 30^\circ$  between  $V_a$  and  $V_f$  and use of a centre-tapped filament transformer is recommended

After transport and after a long interruption of service a waiting time of at least 30 minutes between the switching on of the filament voltage and the switching on of the anode voltage should be observed

### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage  $V_{arc} (I_a = 0.25 \text{ A}) = 12 \text{ V}$

### LIMITING VALUES (Absolute limits)

Output current	$I_o$	= max. 0.25 A	max. 0.5 A
Peak anode current	$I_{ap}$	= max. 1 A	max. 2 A
Peak inverse voltage	$V_{ainvp}$	= max. 10 kV	max. 2 kV
(Frequency)	$f$	= max. 150 Hz	max. 150 Hz)
Condensed mercury temperature <sup>1)</sup>	$t_{Hg}$	= 25 to 60 °C	25 to 70 °C
Ambient temperature <sup>2)</sup>	$t_{amb}$	= 15 to 40 °C	15 to 50 °C

<sup>1)</sup> If the equipment is started not more than twice daily it is permitted to apply the high tension at a condensed mercury temperature of 20 °C

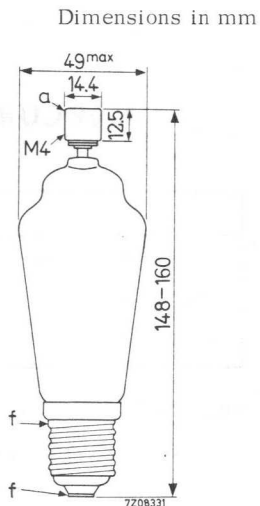
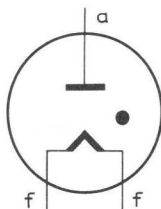
<sup>2)</sup> With convection cooling only

**MECHANICAL DATA**

Mounting position: vertical with base down

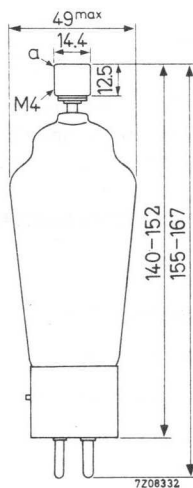
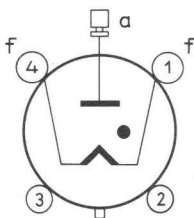
**DCG4/1000 ED**

Base : Edison  
 Socket : E3 000 22  
 Anode connector : 40619  
 Net weight : 65 g



**DCG4/1000 G** = 866A

Base : Medium 4p with bayonet  
 Socket : 2422 511 04001  
 Anode connector : 40619  
 Net weight : 80 g



<sup>1)</sup> At voltages above 2 kV the socket must be insulated from the chassis.

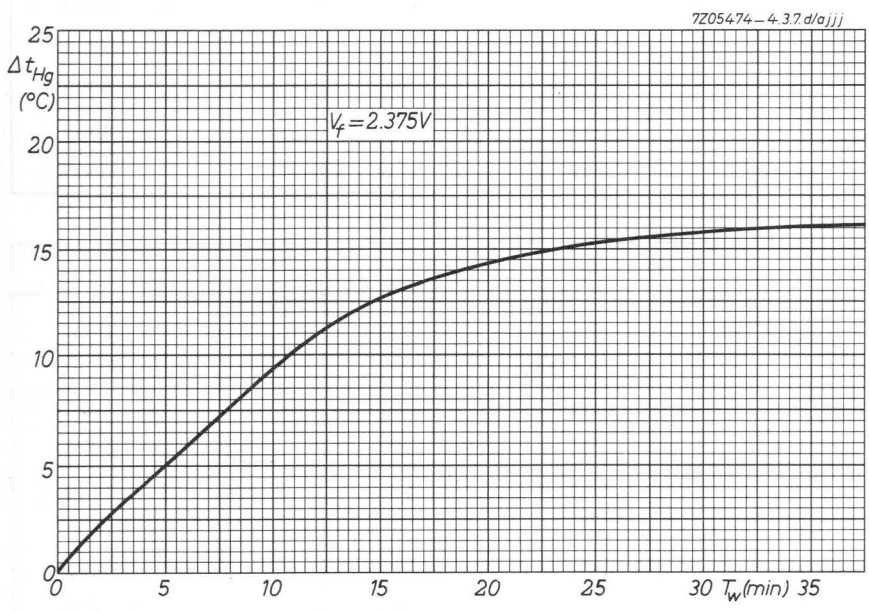
## OPERATING CONDITIONS

Transformer regulation and voltage drops in the tubes are neglected

Peak inverse voltage $V_{a\text{ invp}} = 10 \text{ kV}$				
Circuit <sup>1)</sup>	Transformer voltage $V_{\text{tr}}$ (kVRMS)	Output voltage $V_o$ (kV)	Output current $I_o$ (A)	Power output $W_o$ (W)
a	3.5	3.2	0.5	1590
b	7.1	6.4	0.5	3180
c	4.1	4.8	0.75	3600
d	7.1	9.6	0.75	7200
e	3.5	4.1	1.5	6200
f	3.5	4.5	1	4500
g	7.1	9.0	1	9000

Peak inverse voltage $V_{a\text{ invp}} = 2 \text{ kV}$				
Circuit <sup>1)</sup>	Transformer voltage $V_{\text{tr}}$ (kVRMS)	Output voltage $V_o$ (kV)	Output current $I_o$ (A)	Power output $W_o$ (W)
a	0.71	0.63	1	630
b	1.41	1.27	1	1270
c	0.82	0.96	1.5	1430
d	1.41	1.91	1.5	2870
e	0.71	0.83	3	2480
f	0.71	0.90	2	1800
g	1.41	1.80	2	3600

<sup>1)</sup> For circuits see page 8 in front of this section.



## HIGH-VOLTAGE MERCURY-VAPOUR RECTIFYING TUBE

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Peak inverse voltage	$V_{ainvp} = \text{max. } 13 \text{ kV}$
Output current	$I_o = \text{max. } 1.25 \text{ A}$
Peak anode current	$I_{ap} = \text{max. } 5 \text{ A}$

**HEATING:** direct; filament oxide-coated

Filament voltage	$V_f =$	4 V
Filament current	$I_f =$	7 A
Cathode heating time	$T_w =$	min. 30 s

Phase shift of  $90^\circ \pm 30^\circ$  between  $V_a$  and  $V_f$  and/or use of a centre-tapped filament transformer are recommended.

After transport and after a long interruption of service a waiting time of at least 30 minutes between the switching on of the filament voltage and the switching on of the anode voltage should be observed.

### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage  $V_{arc} (I_a = 1.25 \text{ A}) = 12 \text{ V}$

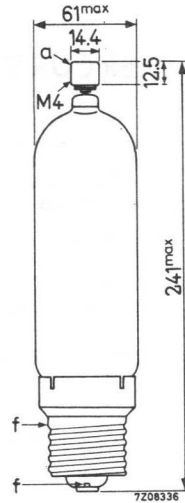
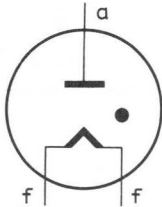
### LIMITING VALUES (Absolute limits)

Peak inverse voltage (Frequency)	$V_{ainvp}$ $f$	$= \text{max. } 13 \text{ kV}$ $= \text{max. } 150 \text{ Hz}$	$\text{max. } 10 \text{ kV}$ $\text{max. } 150 \text{ Hz}$
Output current (Averaging time)	$I_o$ $T_{av}$	$= \text{max. } 1.25 \text{ A}$ $= \text{max. } 10 \text{ s}$	$\text{max. } 1.25 \text{ A}$ $\text{max. } 10 \text{ s}$
Peak anode current	$I_{ap}$	$= \text{max. } 5 \text{ A}$	$\text{max. } 5 \text{ A}$
Surge current (Duration)	$I_{surge}$ $T$	$= \text{max. } 40 \text{ A}$ $= \text{max. } 0.1 \text{ s}$	$\text{max. } 40 \text{ A}$ $\text{max. } 0.1 \text{ s}$
Condensed mercury temperature <sup>1)</sup>	$t_{Hg}$	$= 25 \text{ to } 55 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$	$25 \text{ to } 60 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
Ambient temperature <sup>2)</sup>	$t_{amb}$	$= 10 \text{ to } 35 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$	$10 \text{ to } 40 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

<sup>1)</sup><sup>2)</sup> See page 2

**MECHANICAL DATA** (Dimensions in mm)

Base : Goliath  
 Socket : 65909BG/01  
 Anode connector: 40619  
 Net weight : 200 g



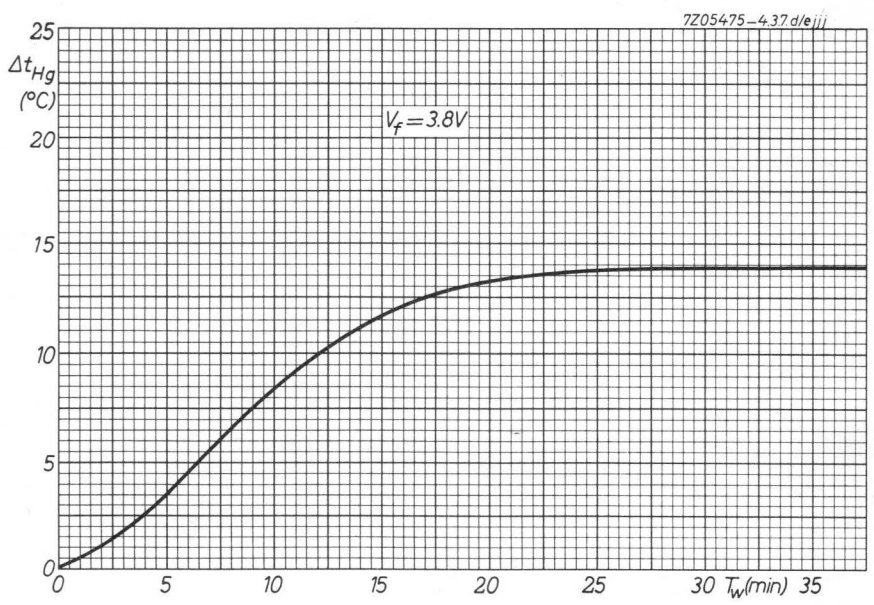
Mounting position: vertical with base down

**OPERATING CONDITIONS**

Transformer regulation and voltage drops in the tubes are neglected.

Peak inverse voltage $V_{ainvp} = 13 \text{ kV}$				
Circuit <sup>3)</sup>	Transformer voltage $V_{tr}$ (kVRMS)	Output voltage $V_o$ (kV)	Output current $I_o$ (A)	Power output $W_o$ (kW)
a	4.6	4.1	2.5	10.3
b	9.2	8.3	2.5	20.7
c	5.3	6.2	3.75	23.3
d	9.2	12.4	3.75	46.6
e	4.6	5.4	7.5	40.4
f	4.6	5.8	5.0	29
g	9.2	11.6	5.0	58

- 1) If the equipment is started not more than twice daily it is permitted to apply the high tension at a condensed mercury temperature of 20 °C.
- 2) With natural cooling.
- 3) For circuit see page 8 in front of this section.







**HIGH-VOLTAGE  
MERCURY-VAPOUR RECTIFYING TUBE**

DCG5/5000GB replaced by type ZY1000  
DCG5/5000GS replaced by type ZY1001  
DCG5/5000EG replaced by type ZY1002



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HIGH-VOLTAGE  
MERCURY VAPOR RECTIFYING TUBE

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## HIGH-VOLTAGE MERCURY-VAPOUR RECTIFYING TUBE

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Peak inverse voltage	$V_{a\text{ inv}p}$	= max. 15 kV	max. 2.5 kV
Output current	$I_o$	= max. 3 A	max. 5 A
Peak anode current	$I_{ap}$	= max. 12 A	max. 20 A

**HEATING:** direct; filament oxide-coated

Filament voltage	$V_f$	=	5 V
Filament current	$I_f$	=	11.5 A
Cathode heating time	$T_w$	= min.	60 s

Phase shift of  $90^\circ \pm 30^\circ$  between  $V_a$  and  $V_f$  and use of a centre-tapped filament transformer is recommended.

After transport and after a long interruption of service a waiting time of at least 30 minutes between the switching on of the filament voltage and the switching on of the anode voltage should be observed.

### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$ ( $I_a = 3$ A)	=	12 V
Equilibrium condensed mercury temperature rise over ambient temperature	no load		19 °C
	full load		21 °C

### LIMITING VALUES (Absolute limits)

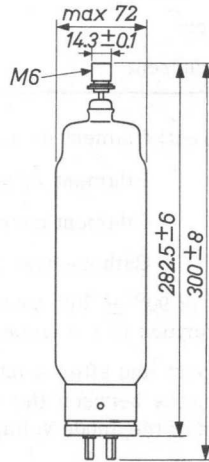
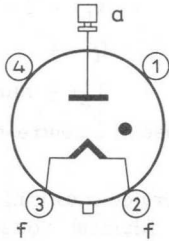
Peak inverse voltage (Frequency)	$V_{a\text{ inv}p}$	= max. 15 kV	max. 2.5 kV
	$f$	= max. 150 Hz	max. 150 Hz
Output current (Averaging time)	$I_o$	= max. 3 A	max. 5 A
	$T_{av}$	= max. 10 s	max. 10 s
Peak anode current	$I_{ap}$	= max. 12 A	max. 20 A
Surge current (Duration)	$I_{surge}$	= max. 120 A	max. 200 A
	$T$	= max. 0.1 s	max. 0.1 s

## LIMITING VALUES (Absolute limits) (continued)

Peak inverse voltage	$V_{a \text{ invp}}$	15	10	2.5	kV
Condensed mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$	1) 25-55	25-60	25-75	°C
Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$	2) 15-35	15-40	15-55	°C

## MECHANICAL DATA (Dimensions in mm)

Base : Super Jumbo with bayonet  
 Anode connector : 40619  
 Socket : 2422 511 01001  
 Net weight : 450 g



Mounting position : vertical with base down

1) If the equipment is started not more than twice daily, it is permitted to apply high tension at a condensed mercury temperature of 20 °C

2) With natural cooling

## MAXIMUM OPERATING CONDITIONS

Transformer regulation and voltage drops in the tubes are neglected.

Peak inverse voltage $V_{a\text{ inv}_p} = 15\text{ kV}$				
Circuit <sup>1)</sup>	Transformer voltage $V_{tr}$ (kVRMS)	Output voltage $V_o$ (kV)	Output current $I_o$ (A)	Power output $W_o$ (kW)
a	5.3	4.8	6	28.8
b	10.6	9.6	6	57.6
c	6.1	7.2	9	64.8
d	10.6	14.4	9	130
e	5.3	6.2	18	112
f	5.3	6.7	12	80.4
g	10.6	13.5	12	162

Peak inverse voltage $V_{a\text{ inv}_p} = 2.5\text{ kV}$				
Circuit <sup>1)</sup>	Transformer voltage $V_{tr}$ (kVRMS)	Output voltage $V_o$ (kV)	Output current $I_o$ (A)	Power output $W_o$ (kW)
a	0.88	0.79	10	7.9
b	1.76	1.58	10	15.8
c	1.02	1.19	15	17.9
d	1.76	2.38	15	35.8
e	0.88	1.03	30	30.9
f	0.88	1.13	20	22.6
g	1.76	2.26	20	45.2

<sup>1)</sup> For circuits see page 8 in front of this section.

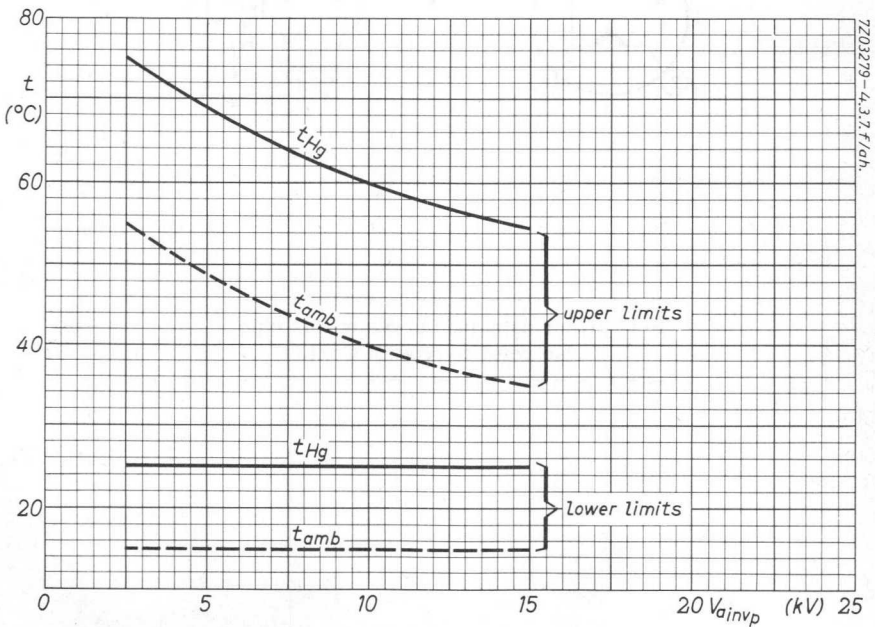
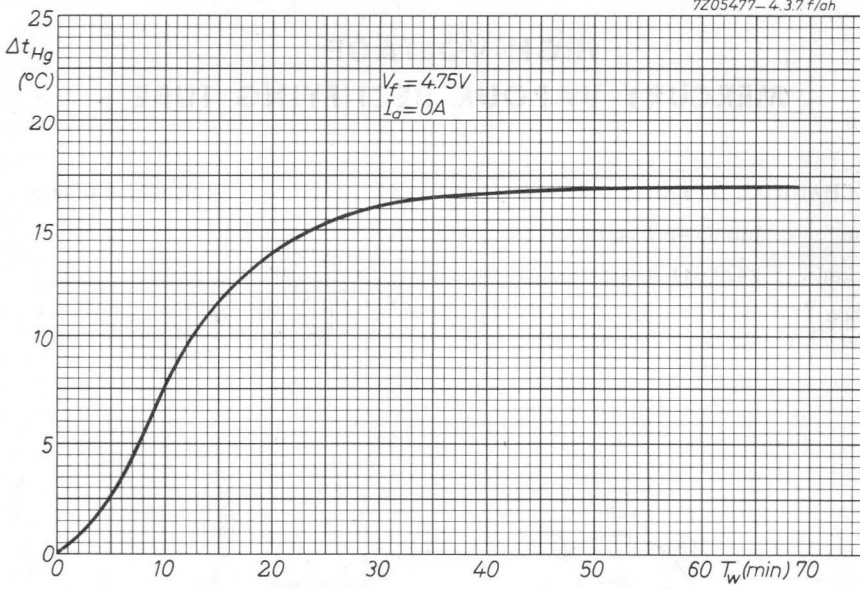
## TYPICAL OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS

Peak inverse voltage $V_{a\text{ inv}p} = \text{max. } 15 \text{ kV}^2)$				
Circuit <sup>1)</sup>	Transformer voltage $V_{tr}$ (kV <sub>RMS</sub> )	Output <sup>3)</sup> voltage $V_o$ (kV)	Output current $I_o$ (A)	Power output $W_o$ (kW)
a	4.8	4.0	6	24
b	9.6	8.0	6	48
c	5.55	6.0	9	54
d	9.6	12.0	9	108
e	4.8	5.15	18	93
f	4.8	5.6	12	67
g	9.6	11.2	12	134

<sup>1)</sup> For circuits see page 8 in front of this section

<sup>2)</sup> This value corresponds to a nominal peak inverse anode voltage of 13.6 kV, allowing a mains voltage fluctuation of  $\pm 10\%$

<sup>3)</sup> Tube voltage drop and losses in transformer, filter, etc., amounting to 8% of the output voltage across the load, have already been deducted



# HIGH-VOLTAGE MERCURY-VAPOUR RECTIFYING TUBE

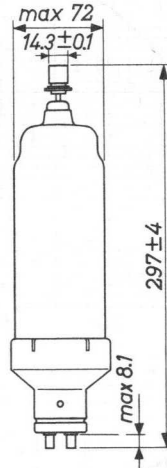
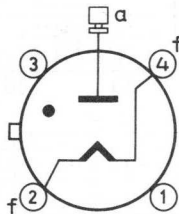
## MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm

Base : Jumbo 4p with bayonet

Socket : 2422 511 02001

Anode  
connector: 40619



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For further data and curves of this type  
please refer to type DCG6/18  
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## GRID-CONTROLLED HIGH-VOLTAGE MERCURY-VAPOUR RECTIFYING TUBE

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Peak inverse voltage	$V_{a\text{ invp}}$	= max.	13 kV
Peak forward voltage	$V_{ap}$	= max.	13 kV
Output current	$I_o$	= max.	1 A
Peak anode current	$I_{ap}$	= max.	4 A
Negative grid voltage	$-V_g$	= max.	300 V
Peak grid current	$I_{gp}$	= max.	50 mA

**HEATING:** direct; filament oxide-coated

Filament voltage	$V_f$	=	5 V
Filament current	$I_f$	=	6.5 A
Cathode heating time	$T_w$	= min.	60 s

Phase shift of  $90^\circ \pm 30^\circ$  between  $V_a$  and  $V_f$  and use of a centre-tapped filament transformer are recommended.

After transport and after a long interruption of service a waiting time of at least 60 minutes between the switching on of the filament voltage and the switching on of the anode voltage should be observed.

### CAPACITANCES

Anode to grid	$C_{ag}$	=	3 pF
Grid to cathode	$C_g$	=	8 pF

### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$ ( $I_a = 1 \text{ A}$ )	=	12 V
Ionization time	$T_{ion}$	=	10 $\mu\text{s}$
Deionization time	$T_{dion}$	=	250 $\mu\text{s}$

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute limits)

When the anode voltage  $V_a$  is negative, the grid voltage must never be positive

Peak inverse voltage (Frequency)	$V_a \text{ inv}_p$ $f$	= max. 13 kV = max. 150 Hz)
Peak anode voltage	$V_{ap}$	= max. 13 kV
Output current (Averaging time)	$I_o$ $T_{av}$	= max. 1 A = max. 10 s)
Peak anode current	$I_{ap}$	= max. 4 A
Surge current (Duration)	$I_{surge}$ $T$	= max. 40 A = max. 0.1 s)
Negative grid voltage <sup>1)</sup>	$-V_g$	= max. 300 V
Grid current (Averaging time)	$I_g$ $T_{av}$	= max. 10 mA = max. 10 s)
Peak grid current	$I_{gp}$	= max. 50 mA
{ Peak inverse voltage Condensed mercury temperature <sup>2)</sup> Ambient temperature <sup>3)</sup>	$V_a \text{ inv}_p$	= 13 kV
	$t_{Hg}$	= 25 to 55 °C
	$t_{amb}$	= 15 to 30 °C
{ Peak inverse voltage Condensed mercury temperature <sup>2)</sup> Ambient temperature <sup>3)</sup>	$V_a \text{ inv}_p$	= 10 kV
	$t_{Hg}$	= 25 to 60 °C
	$t_{amb}$	= 15 to 35 °C

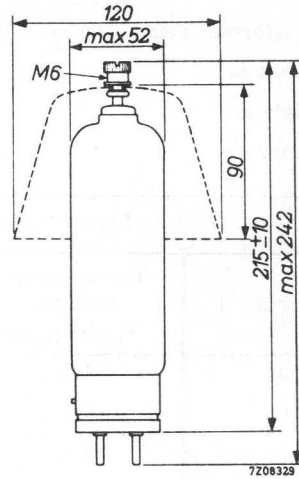
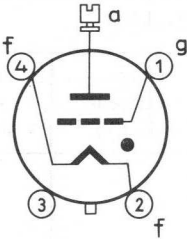
<sup>1)</sup> Before conduction

<sup>2)</sup> If the equipment is started not more than twice daily it is permitted to apply high tension at a condensed mercury temperature of 20°C

<sup>3)</sup> With natural cooling

**MECHANICAL DATA** (Dimensions in mm)

Base : Special Jumbo with bayonet  
 Socket : 2422 511 01001  
 Anode cap : 40616 1)  
 Net weight : 240 g



Mounting position: vertical with base down

1) This cap must always be mounted on the tube, thus also during preheating

## OPERATING CONDITIONS

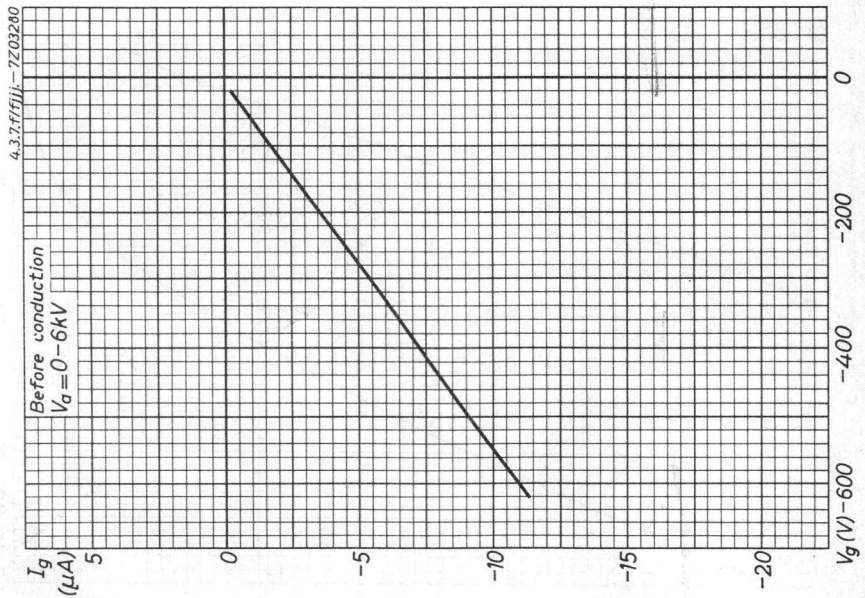
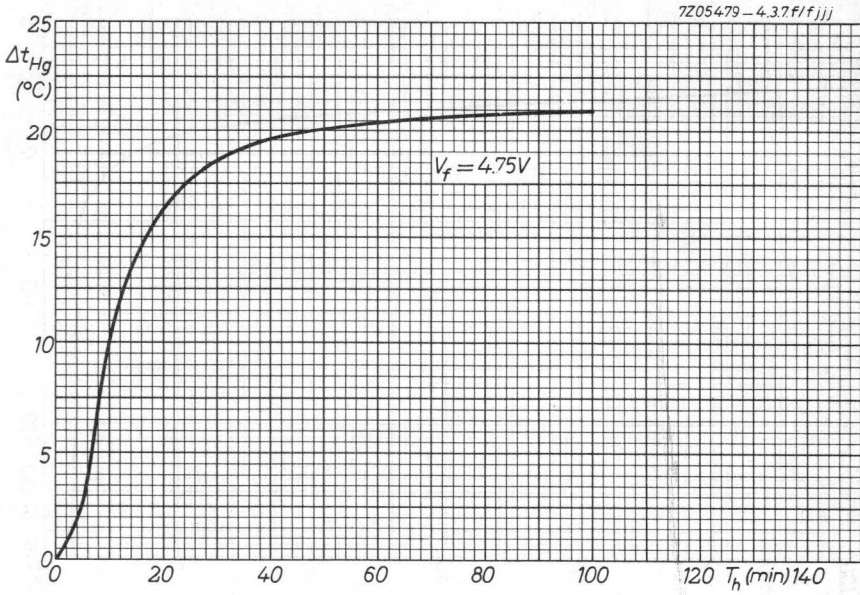
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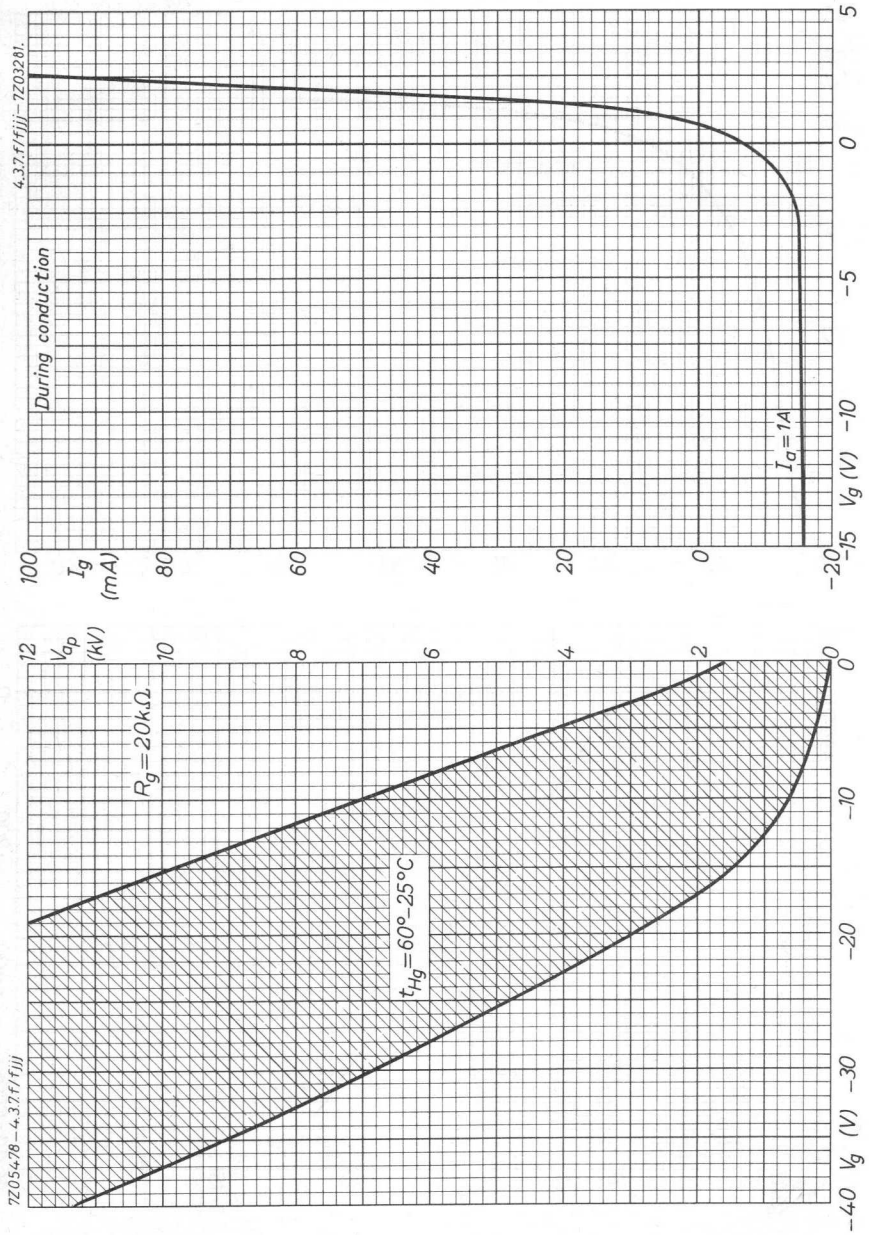
Grid voltage	$V_g$ ( $V_{a\text{ inv}p} = 13\text{ kV}$ )	=	-100	V
Grid voltage	$V_g$ ( $V_{a\text{ inv}p} = 10\text{ kV}$ )	=	-50	V
Grid current	$I_g$	=	1	mA

Peak inverse voltage $V_{a\text{ inv}p} = 13\text{ kV}$				
Circuit <sup>1)</sup>	Transformer voltage $V_{tr}$ (kVRMS)	Output voltage $V_o$ (kV)	Output current $I_o$ (A)	Power output $W_o$ (kW)
a	4.6	4.1	2	8.3
b	9.2	8.3	2	16.6
c	5.3	6.2	3	18.6
d	9.2	12.4	3	37.2
e	4.6	5.4	6	32.4
f	4.6	5.8	4	23.4
g	9.2	11.7	4	46.8

Peak inverse voltage $V_{a\text{ inv}p} = 10\text{ kV}$				
Circuit <sup>1)</sup>	Transformer voltage $V_{tr}$ (kVRMS)	Output voltage $V_o$ (kV)	Output current $I_o$ (A)	Power output $W_o$ (kW)
a	3.5	3.2	2	6.4
b	7	6.4	2	12.8
c	4.1	4.8	3	14.4
d	7	9.6	3	28.8
e	3.5	4.1	6	24.8
f	3.5	4.5	4	18
g	7	9	4	36

<sup>1)</sup> For circuits see page 8 in front of this section





## GRID-CONTROLLED HIGH-VOLTAGE MERCURY-VAPOUR RECTIFYING TUBE

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Peak inverse voltage	$V_{a\text{ inv}p}$ = max.	15 kV
Peak forward voltage	$V_{a\text{ p}}$ = max.	15 kV
Output current	$I_o$ = max.	10 A
Peak anode current	$I_{a\text{ p}}$ = max.	45 A
Peak grid voltage	$V_{g\text{ p}}$ = max.	600 V

**CATHODE** : oxide-coated

**HEATING** : indirect, cathode connected to heater

Heater voltage	$V_f$ =	5 V
Heater current	$I_f$ =	14 A
Cathode heating time	$T_w$ = min.	10 min.

After transport and after a long interruption of service a waiting time of at least 45 minutes between the switching on of the heater voltage and the switching on of the anode voltage should be observed. Moreover, 10 minutes after having switched on the heater voltage, preheating of the anode must be started by connecting the anode to a supply voltage  $V_b$  = max. 500 V via a resistor limiting the current  $I_o$  to 6 A.

### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage	$V_{\text{arc}} (I_a = 15 \text{ A})$ =	12 V
Equilibrium condensed mercury temperature rise over ambient temperature	no load	27 °C
	full load	30 °C

**LIMITING VALUES (Absolute limits)**

Peak inverse voltage (Frequency)	$V_{a\ inv_p}$ $f$	= max.	15 kV 150 Hz)
Peak anode voltage	$V_{a_p}$	= max.	15 kV
Output current for continuous operation (Averaging time)	$I_o$ $T_{av}$	= max.	10 A - 10 s)
Output current for intermittent operation (Averaging time)	$I_o$ $T_{av}$	= max.	15 A 10 s)
Peak anode current	$I_{a_p}$	= max.	45 A
Surge current (Duration)	$I_{surge}$ $T$	= max.	600 A 0.1 s)
Peak grid voltage	$V_{g_p}$	= max.	600 V
Grid resistor	$R_g$	= max.	20 k $\Omega$
Peak inverse voltage	$V_{a\ inv_p}$	=	15 10 kV
Condensed mercury temperature <sup>1)</sup>	$t_{Hg}$	= 25 to 60	25 to 65 °C
Ambient temperature <sup>2)</sup>	$t_{amb}$	= 10 to 30	10 to 35 °C

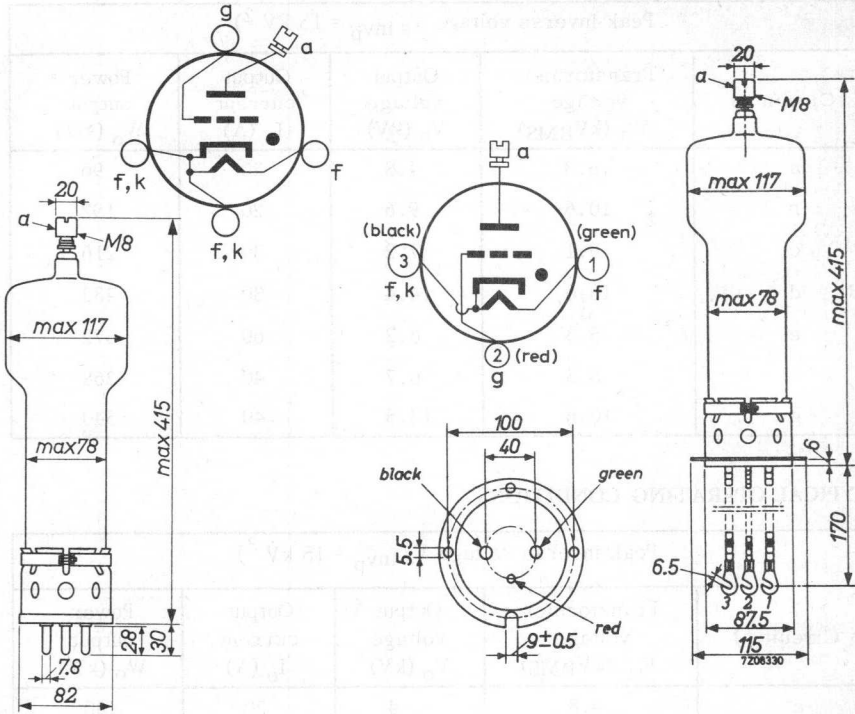
<sup>1)</sup> If the equipment is started not more than twice daily it is permitted to apply high tension at a condensed mercury temperature of 20 °C.

<sup>2)</sup> With natural cooling. The tube can be operated at higher ambient temperatures than the stated maxima, when the difference between the ambient and the condensed mercury temperature (30 °C with natural cooling) is reduced by an air flow directed at the bulb just above the base. A reduction to less than 10 °C can easily be obtained with a simple airjet.



MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm



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DCG7/100B

Socket : 40409  
Anode connector : 40620

Mounting position: vertical with anode terminal up  
Net weight: 1200 g

**MAXIMUM OPERATING CONDITIONS**

Peak inverse voltage $V_{a\ inv_p} = 15\text{ kV}^2)$				
Circuit <sup>1)</sup>	Transformer voltage $V_{tr}$ (kVRMS)	Output voltage $V_o$ (kV)	Output current $I_o$ (A)	Power output $W_o$ (kW)
a	5.3	4.8	20	96
b	10.6	9.6	20	192
c	6.1	7.2	30	216
d	10.6	14.4	30	432
e	5.3	6.2	60	372
f	5.3	6.7	40	268
g	10.6	13.5	40	540

**TYPICAL OPERATING CONDITIONS**

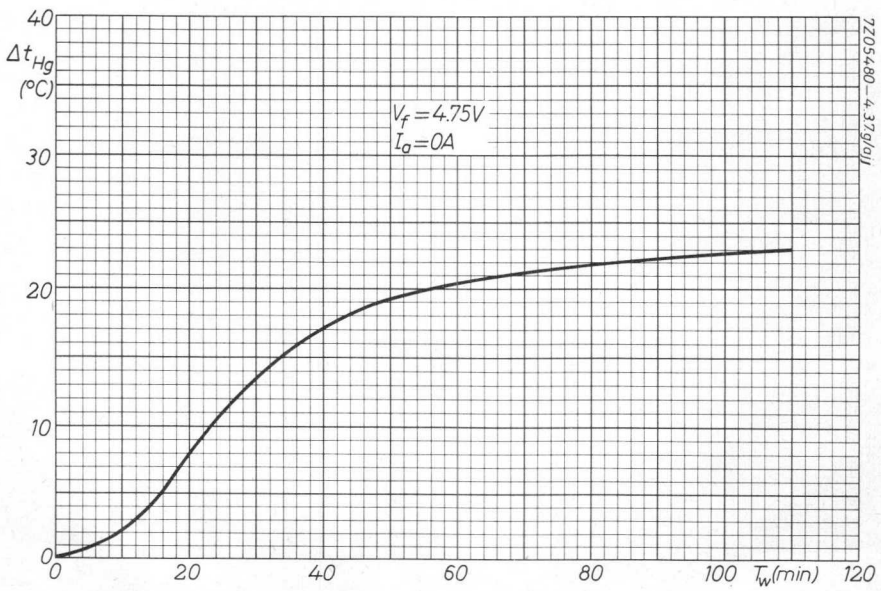
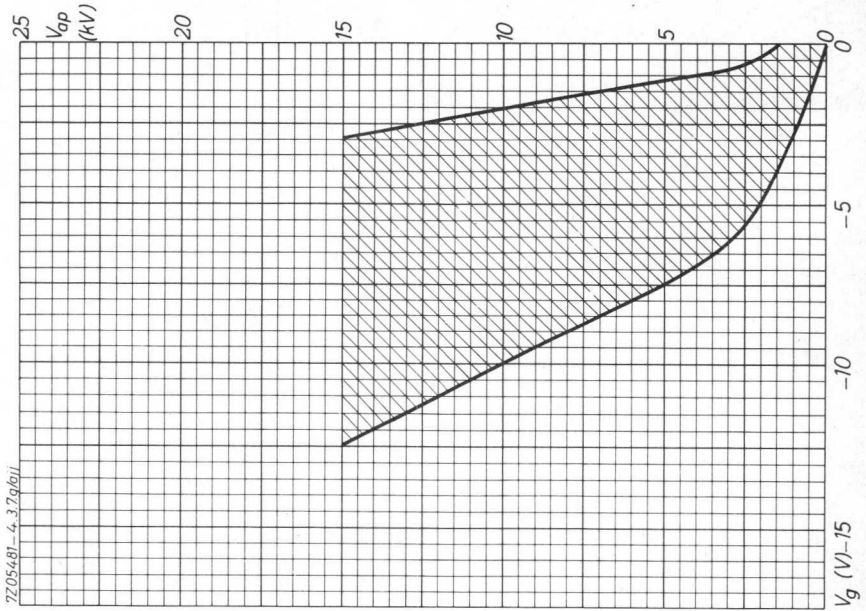
Peak inverse voltage $V_{a\ inv_p} = 15\text{ kV}^3)$				
Circuit <sup>1)</sup>	Transformer voltage $V_{tr}$ (kVRMS)	Output <sup>4)</sup> voltage $V_o$ (kV)	Output current $I_o$ (A)	Power output $W_o$ (kW)
a	4.8	4	20	80
b	9.6	8	20	160
c	5.55	6	30	180
d	9.6	12	30	360
e	4.8	5.15	60	309
f	4.8	5.6	40	224
g	9.6	11.2	40	448

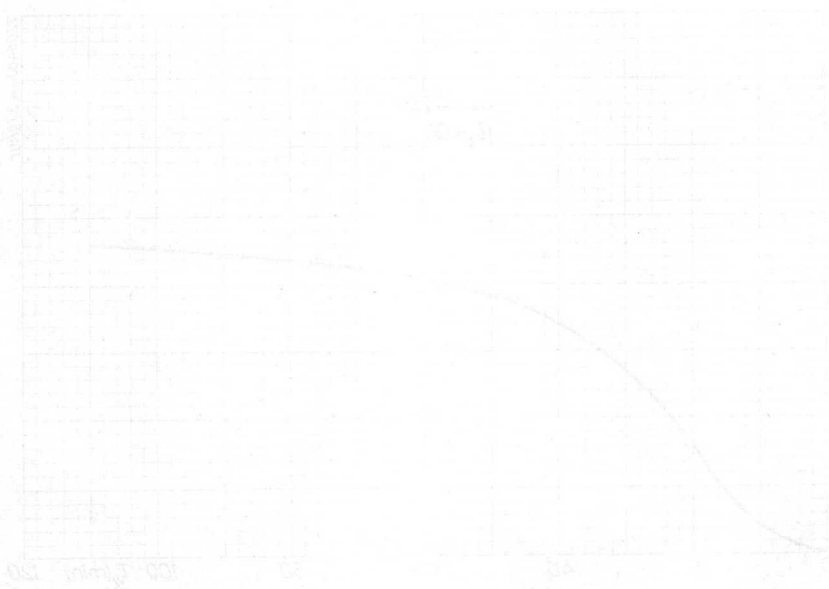
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2) Transformer regulation and voltage drops in the tubes are neglected

3) This value corresponds to a nominal peak inverse anode voltage of 13.6 kV, allowance being made for mains voltage fluctuations of  $\pm 10\%$

4) Tube voltage drop and losses in transformer, filter, etc., amounting to 8% of the output voltage across the load, have already been deducted





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## HIGH-VOLTAGE MERCURY-VAPOUR RECTIFYING TUBE

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Peak inverse voltage	$V_{a\text{ inv}p} = \text{max. } 21 \text{ kV}$
Output current	$I_o = \text{max. } 2.5 \text{ A}$
Peak anode current	$I_{ap} = \text{max. } 10 \text{ A}$

**HEATING:** direct; filament oxide-coated

Filament voltage	$V_f =$	5 V
Filament current	$I_f =$	13.5 A
Cathode heating time	$T_w = \text{min.}$	90 s

Phase shift of  $90^\circ \pm 30^\circ$  between  $V_a$  and  $V_f$  and/or use of a centre-tapped filament transformer are recommended

After transport and after a long interruption of service a waiting time of at least 60 minutes between the switching on of the filament voltage and the switching on of the anode voltage should be observed

### LIMITING VALUES (Absolute limits)

Peak inverse voltage (Frequency)	$V_{a\text{ inv}p}$ $f$	= max. 21 = max. 150	15 150	10 150	kV (Hz)
Output current (Averaging time)	$I_o$ $T_{av}$	= max. 2.5 = max. 30	2.5 30	2.5 30	A (s)
Peak anode current	$I_{ap}$	= max. 10	10	10	A
Surge current (Duration)	$I_{surge}$ $T$	= max. 100 = max. 0.1	100 0.1	100 0.1	A (s)
Condensed mercury temperature <sup>1)</sup>	$t_{Hg}$	= 25-45	25-50	25-60	°C
Ambient temperature <sup>2)</sup>	$t_{amb}$	= 15-30	15-35	15-45	°C

<sup>1)</sup> If the equipment is started not more than twice daily it is permitted to apply high tension at a condensed mercury temperature of 20°C.

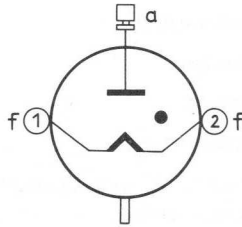
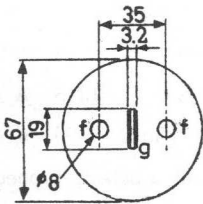
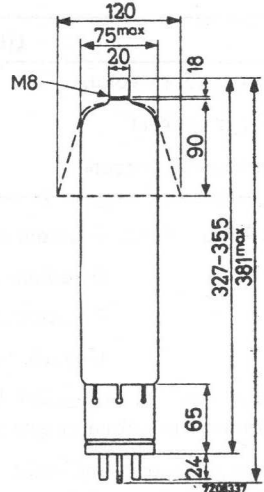
<sup>2)</sup> With natural cooling

**TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Deionization time	$T_{dion}$	< 500 $\mu s$
Ionization time	$T_{ion}$	< 10 $\mu s$
Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$ ( $I_a = 2.5 A$ )	= 12 V

**MECHANICAL DATA** Dimensions in mm

- Anode connector: 40620
- Anode cap : 40616
- Net weight : 0.75 g



Mounting position: vertical with base down

The anode cap 40616 must always be mounted on the tube, thus also during pre-heating

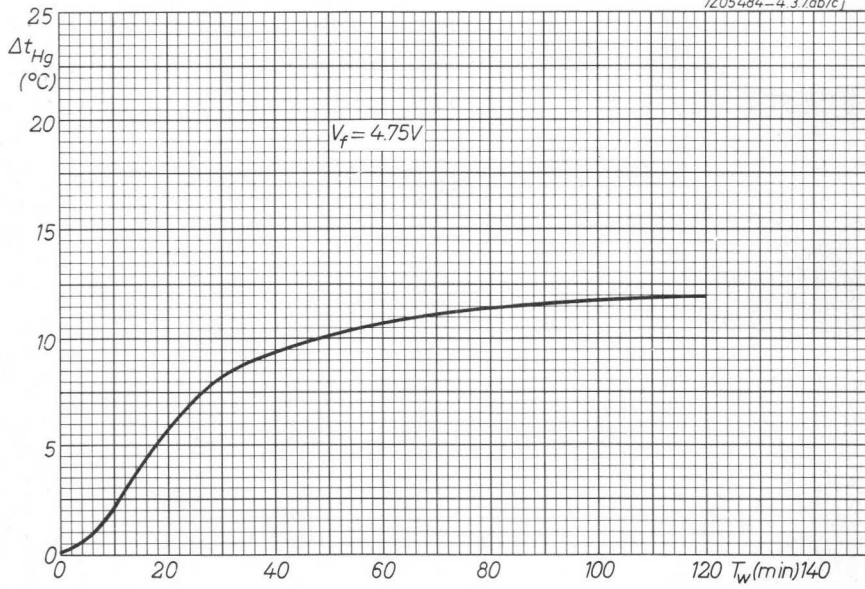
**OPERATING CONDITIONS**

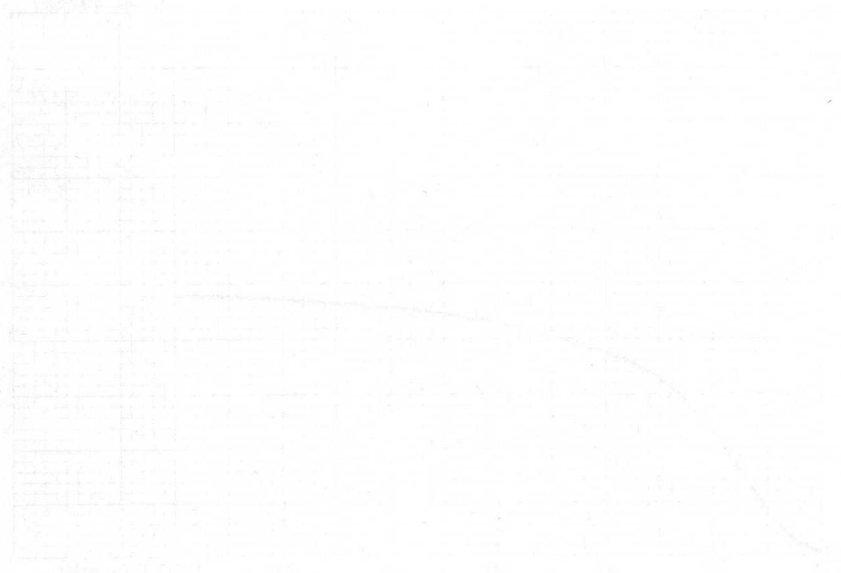
Transformer regulation and voltage drops in the tubes are neglected

Peak inverse voltage $V_a inv_p = 21 kV$				
Circuit <sup>1)</sup>	Transformer voltage $V_{tr}$ (kV <sub>RMS</sub> )	Output voltage $V_o$ (kV)	Output current $I_o$ (A)	Power output $W_o$ (kW)
a	7.4	6.7	5	33.5
b	14.8	13.4	5	67
c	8.6	10	7.5	75
d	14.8	20	7.5	150
e	7.4	8.7	15	130
f	7.4	9.5	10	95
g	14.8	19	10	190

<sup>1)</sup> For circuits see page 8 in front of this section

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## GRID-CONTROLLED HIGH-VOLTAGE MERCURY-VAPOUR RECTIFYING TUBE

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Peak inverse voltage	$V_{a \text{ invp}}$	max. 27 kV
Peak forward voltage	$V_{ap}$	max. 27 kV
Output current	$I_o$	max. 2.5 A
Peak anode current	$I_{ap}$	max. 10 A
Negative grid voltage	$-V_g$	max. 300 V
Peak grid current	$I_{gp}$	max. 125 mA

**HEATING:** direct; filament oxide-coated

Filament voltage	$V_f$	5 V
Filament current	$I_f$	13.5 A
Cathode heating time	$T_w$	min. 90 s

Phase shift of  $90^\circ \pm 30^\circ$  between  $V_a$  and  $V_f$  and use of a centre-tapped filament transformer are recommended

After transport and after a long interruption of service a waiting time of at least 60 minutes between the switching on of the filament voltage and the switching on of the anode voltage should be observed

### CAPACITANCES

Anode to grid	$C_{ag}$	4 pF
Grid to cathode	$C_g$	13 pF

### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Deionization time	$T_{dion}$	< 500 $\mu$ s
Ionization time	$T_{ion}$	< 10 $\mu$ s
Arc voltage	$V_{arc} (I_a = 2.5 \text{ A})$	12 V

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute limits)

When the anode voltage  $V_a$  is negative, the grid voltage must never be positive

Peak inverse voltage (Frequency)	$V_a$ invp f	max. max.	27 kV 150 Hz)
Peak anode voltage	$V_{ap}$	max.	27 kV
Output current (Averaging time)	$I_o$ $T_{av}$	max. max.	2.5 A 30 s)
Peak anode current	$I_{ap}$	max.	10 A
Surge current (Duration)	$I_{surge}$ T	max. max.	100 A 0.1 s)
Negative grid voltage	$-V_g$	max.	300 V <sup>1)</sup>
Grid current (Averaging time)	$I_g$ $T_{av}$	max. max.	25 mA 30 s)
Peak grid current	$I_{gp}$	max.	125 mA

$V_a$ invp	27	21	15	13	10	kV
$t_{Hg}$ <sup>2)</sup>	30-40	30-45	25-50	25-55	25-60	°C
$\tau_{amb}$ <sup>3)</sup>	20-25	20-30	15-35	15-40	15-45	°C

1) Direct voltage; before conduction

2) If the equipment is started not more than twice daily it is permitted to apply high tension at a condensed mercury temperature which is 5 °C less than the values mentioned in the table

3) With natural cooling

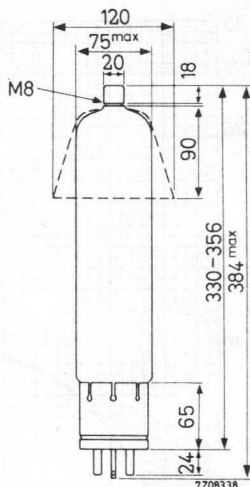
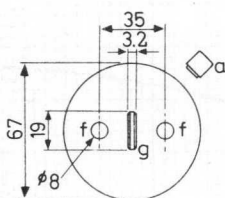
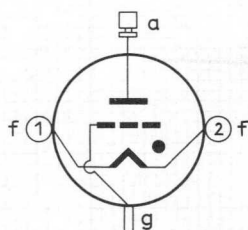
**MECHANICAL DATA** (Dimensions in mm)

Anode connector: 40620

Anode cap : 40616

This cap must always be mounted on the tube, thus also during preheating

Net weight: 0.75 kg



Mounting position: vertical with base down

**OPERATING CONDITIONS**

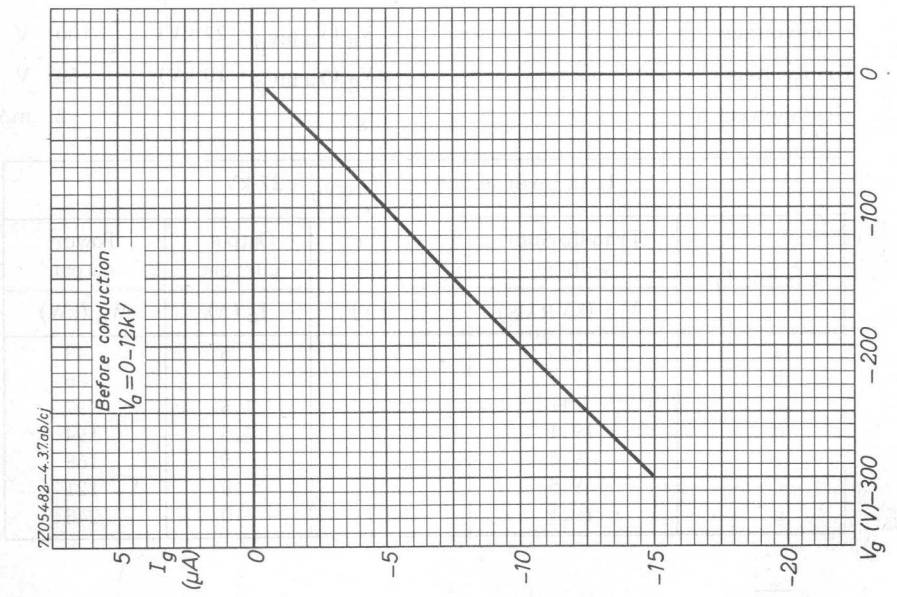
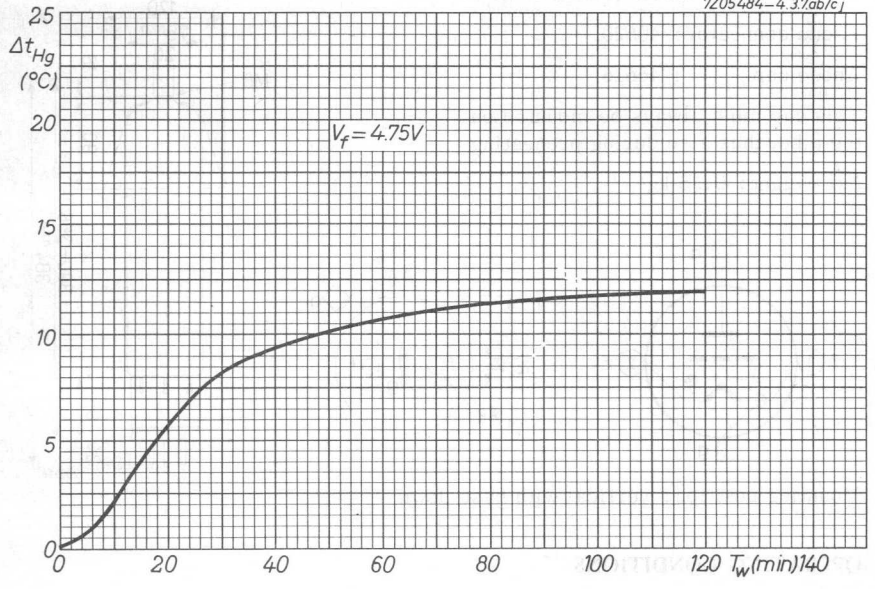
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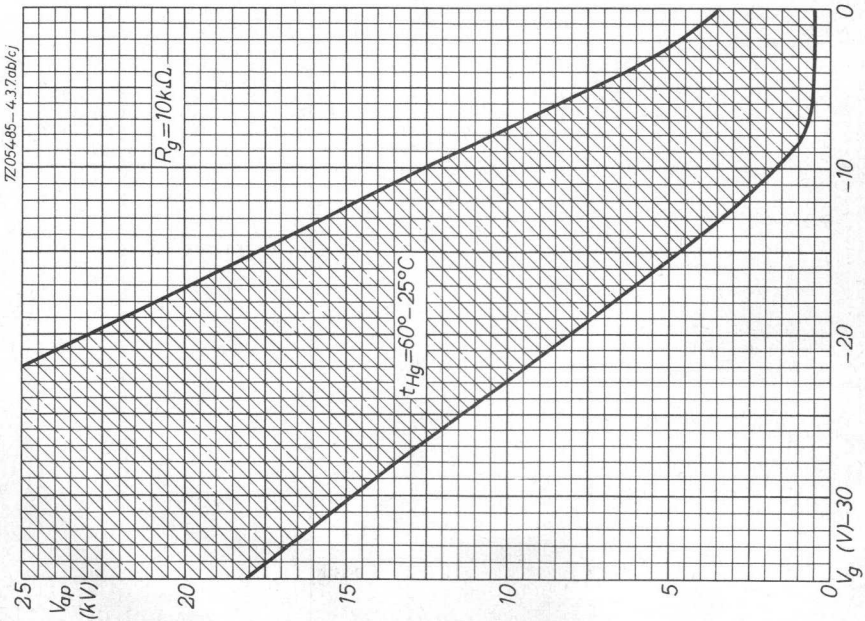
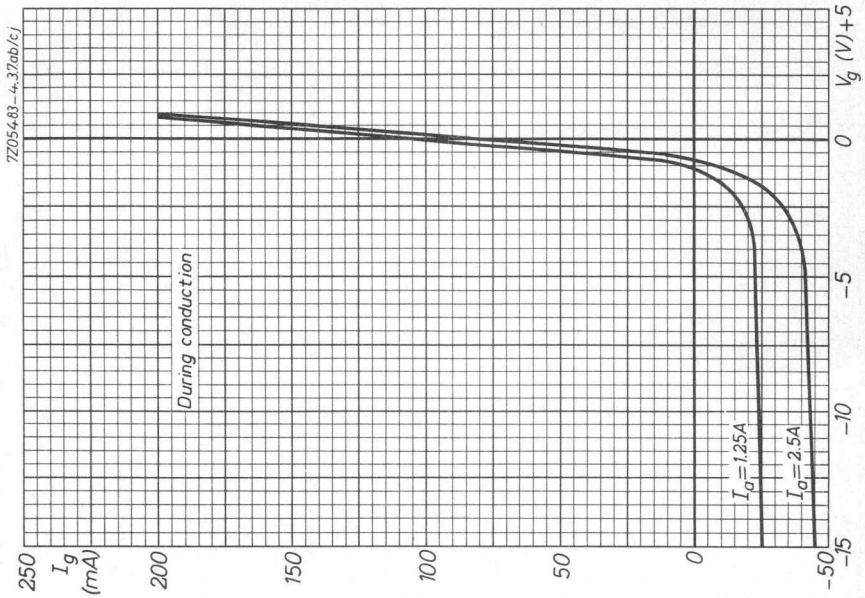
Grid voltage	$V_g$ ( $V_a \text{ inv}_p = 27 \text{ kV}$ )	-100 V
Grid voltage	$V_g$ ( $V_a \text{ inv}_p = 10 \text{ kV}$ )	-50 V
Grid current	$I_g$	2 mA

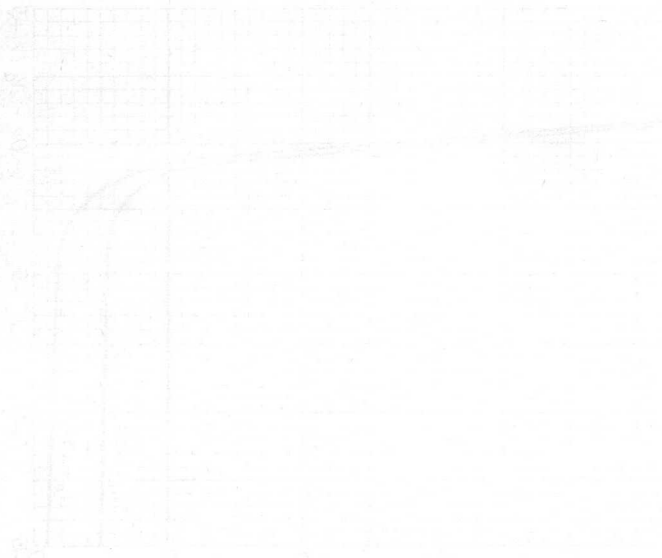
Peak inverse voltage $V_a \text{ inv}_p = 27 \text{ kV}$				
Circuit 1)	Transformer voltage	Output voltage	Output current	Power output
	$V_{tr}$ (kVRMS)	$V_o$ (kV)	$I_o$ (A)	$W_o$ (kW)
a	9.5	8.6	5	43
b	19.1	17.2	5	86
c	11	12.9	7.5	97
d	19.1	25.8	7.5	194
e	9.5	11.2	15	168
f	9.5	12.1	10	121
g	19.1	24.3	10	243

1) For circuits see page 8 in front of this section

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## HIGH-VOLTAGE XENON-FILLED RECTIFYING TUBE

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Peak inverse voltage	$V_{a \text{ invp}}$	max. 10 kV	max. 5 kV
Output current	$I_o$	max. 0.25 A	max. 0.5 A
Peak anode current	$I_{a \text{ p}}$	max. 1 A	max. 2 A

**HEATING:** direct; filament oxide-coated

Filament voltage	$V_f$	2.5 V
Filament current	$I_f$	5 A
Cathode heating time	$T_w$	min. 10 s

Phase shift of  $90^\circ \pm 30^\circ$  between  $V_a$  and  $V_f$  and use of a centre-tapped filament transformer are recommended. In order to obtain a low ignition voltage the voltage on pin 4 should be positive with respect to pin 1 at the moment of ignition.

### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage  $V_{\text{arc}} (I_a = 0.5 \text{ A})$  12 V

### LIMITING VALUES (Absolute limits)

Peak inverse voltage (Frequency)	$V_{a \text{ invp}}$ $f$	max. 10 kV max. 150 Hz	max. 5 kV max. 500 Hz)
Output current (Averaging time)	$I_o$ $T_{\text{av}}$	max. 0.25 A max. 15 s	max. 0.5 A max. 15 s)
Peak anode current	$I_{a \text{ p}}$	max. 1 A	max. 2 A
Surge current (Duration)	$I_{\text{surge}}$ $T$	max. 20 A max. 0.1 s	max. 20 A max. 0.1 s)
Ambient temperature	$t_{\text{amb}}$	-55 to +75 °C	-55 to +75 °C

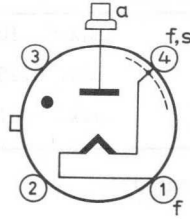
**MECHANICAL DATA** (Dimensions in mm)

Base : medium 4p with bayonet

Socket : 2422 511 04001 1)

Anode connector : 40619

Net weight: 100 g



Mounting position: arbitrary

1) At voltages above 2 kV the socket must be insulated from the chassis.



## OPERATING CONDITIONS

Transformer regulation and voltage drops in the tubes are neglected.

Peak inverse voltage $V_{a\text{ inv}_p} = 10\text{ kV}$				
Circuit <sup>1)</sup>	Transformer voltage $V_{tr}$ (kVRMS)	Output voltage $V_o$ (kV)	Output current $I_o$ (A)	Power output $W_o$ (kW)
a	3.5	3.2	0.5	1.6
b	7.1	6.4	0.5	3.2
c	4.1	4.8	0.75	3.6
d	7.1	9.6	0.75	7.2
e	3.5	4.1	1.5	6.2
f	3.5	4.5	1.0	4.5
g	7.1	9.0	1.0	9.0

Peak inverse voltage $V_{a\text{ inv}_p} = 5\text{ kV}$				
Circuit <sup>1)</sup>	Transformer voltage $V_{tr}$ (kVRMS)	Output voltage $V_o$ (kV)	Output current $I_o$ (A)	Power output $W_o$ (kW)
a	1.8	1.6	1.0	1.6
b	3.5	3.2	1.0	3.2
c	2.0	2.4	1.5	3.6
d	3.5	4.8	1.5	7.2
e	1.8	2.1	3.0	6.2
f	1.8	2.2	2.0	4.5
g	3.5	4.5	2.0	9.0

<sup>1)</sup> For circuits see page 8 in front of this section

Date	Time	Location	Remarks

Date	Time	Location	Remarks

## HIGH-VOLTAGE XENON-FILLED RECTIFYING TUBE

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Peak inverse voltage	$V_a \text{ inv}_p$	max.	10 kV
Output current	$I_o$	max.	1.25 A
Peak anode current	$I_{a_p}$	max.	5 A

**HEATING:** direct; filament oxide-coated

Filament voltage	$V_f$	5 V
Filament current	$I_f$	7.1 A
Cathode heating time	$T_w$	min. 30 s

Phase shift of  $90^\circ \pm 30^\circ$  between  $V_a$  and  $V_f$  and use of a centre-tapped filament transformer are recommended. In order to obtain a low ignition voltage the voltage on pin 4 should be positive with respect to pin 2 at the moment of ignition.

### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

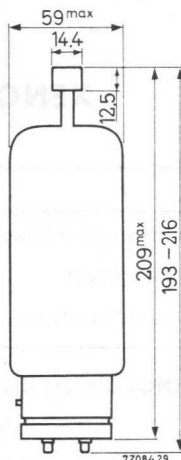
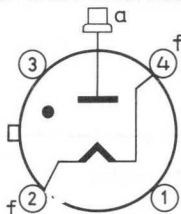
Arc voltage	$V_{arc} (I_a = 1.25 \text{ A})$	12 V
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### LIMITING VALUES (Absolute limits)

Peak inverse voltage (Frequency)	$V_a \text{ inv}_p$ f	max. 10 kV max. 150 Hz)
Output current (Averaging time)	$I_o$ $T_{av}$	max. 1.25 A max. 15 s)
Peak anode current	$I_{a_p}$	max. 5 A
Surge current (Duration)	$I_{surge}$ T	max. 50 A max. 0.1 s)
Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$	-55 to +70 °C

**MECHANICAL DATA** (Dimensions in mm)

Base : Jumbo 4p  
 Socket : 2422 511 02001  
 Anode connector: 40619  
 Net weight : 190 g



Mounting position : arbitrary

**OPERATING CONDITIONS**

Transformer regulation and voltage drops in the tubes are neglected.

Peak inverse voltage $V_{a\ invp} = 10\text{ kV}$				
Circuit <sup>1)</sup>	Transformer voltage $V_{Tr}$ (kVRMS)	Output voltage $V_o$ (kV)	Output current $I_o$ (A)	Power output $W_o$ (kW)
a	3.5	3.2	2.5	8
b	7.1	6.4	2.5	16
c	4.1	4.8	3.75	18
d	7.1	9.6	3.75	36
e	3.5	4.1	7.5	31
f	3.5	4.5	5.0	22.5
g	7.1	9.0	5.0	45

<sup>1)</sup> For circuits see page 8 in front of this section

## GRID-CONTROLLED HIGH-VOLTAGE MERCURY-VAPOUR RECTIFYING TUBES

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Peak inverse voltage	$V_{a\text{ invp}}$	max. 21	15	2.5	kV
Peak forward voltage	$V_{ap}$	max. 21	15	2.5	kV
Output current	$I_o$	max. 2.5	3	5	A
Peak anode current	$I_{ap}$	max. 10	12	20	A

**HEATING** : direct; filament oxide coated

Filament voltage	$V_f$	5	V	1)
Filament current	$I_f$	13	A	
Waiting time	$T_w$	min. 90	s	2)

### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Deionization time	$T_{dion}$	< 500	$\mu$ s
Ionization time	$T_{ion}$	< 10	$\mu$ s
Arc voltage	$V_{arc}$ ( $I_o = 3$ A)	12	V

### LIMITING VALUES (Absolute limits)

Peak inverse voltage	$V_{a\text{ invp}}$	max. 21	15	2.5	kV	3)
Peak forward voltage	$V_{ap}$	max. 21	15	2.5	kV	
Output current	$I_o$	max. 2.5	max. 3	max. 5	A	4)
Peak anode current	$I_{ap}$	max. 10	max. 12	max. 20	A	
Surge current	$I_{surge}$	max. 100	max. 120	max. 200	A	5)
Negative grid voltage	$-V_g$	max. 300	max. 300	max. 300	V	6)
Grid circuit resistance	$R_g$	min. 10	min. 10	min. 10	k $\Omega$	7)
		max. 100	max. 100	max. 100	k $\Omega$	

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**TEMPERATURE LIMITS** (Absolute limits)

Peak inverse voltage	$V_a \text{ inv}_p$	21	15	10	2.5	kV
Condensed mercury temperature	$t_{\text{Hg}}$	25-45	25-55	25-60	25-75	°C <sup>8)</sup>
Ambient temperature	$t_{\text{amb}}$	15-30	15-35	15-40	15-55	°C <sup>9)</sup>

1) Phase shift of  $90^\circ \pm 30^\circ$  between  $V_a$  and  $V_f$  and/or use of a centre-tapped filament transformer are recommended.

2) For average conditions, i.e. temperature within limits and proper distribution of mercury (see page 5).

After transport and also after a long interruption of service a longer waiting time is required before anode voltage is applied to ensure proper distribution of the mercury. In general, a time of 60 minutes will be sufficient.

3)  $f$  max. 150 Hz

4)  $T_{\text{av}}$  max. 30 s

5)  $T$  max. 0.1 s

6) Direct voltage; before conduction

7) Recommended value 33 k $\Omega$

8) If the equipment is started not more than twice daily it is permitted to apply high tension at a condensed mercury temperature of 20 °C.

9) Approximate values with natural cooling.

The ambient temperature is defined as the temperature of the surrounding air and should be measured under the following conditions:

a. normal atmospheric pressure

b. the tube should be adjusted to the worst probable operating conditions

c. the temperature should be measured when thermal equilibrium has been reached

d. the distance of the thermometer from the envelope shall be 75 mm (measured in the plane perpendicular to the main axis of the tube at the height of the condensed mercury boundary)

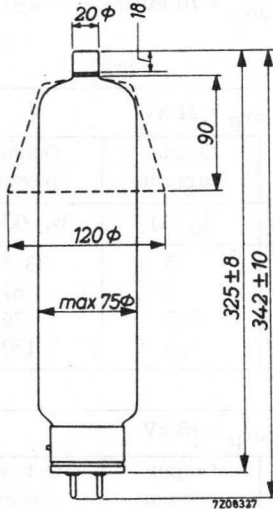
e. the thermometer shall be shielded to avoid direct heat radiation.

**MECHANICAL DATA**

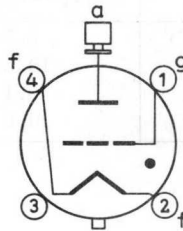
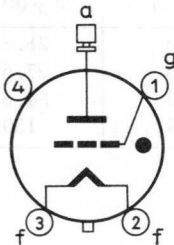
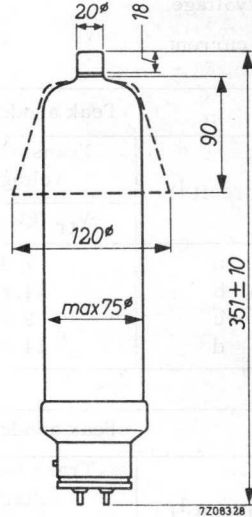
Dimensions in mm

Net weight: 0.75 kg

**ZT 1000**



**ZT 1001**



Base: Super Jumbo with bayonet

Socket : 2422 511 01001

Anode connector: 40620

Anode cap : 40616

Base: Jumbo 4p with bayonet

Socket : 2422 511 02001

Anode connector: 40620

Anode cap : 40616

Mounting position: vertical with base down

The anode cap 40616 is not delivered with the tube but must always be mounted on the tube, thus also during preheating.

**OPERATING CONDITIONS**

Transformer regulation and voltage drop in the tubes have been neglected

Grid voltage  $V_g$  ( $V_{a\ invp} = 21\ \text{kV}$ ) -100 V

Grid voltage  $V_g$  ( $V_{a\ invp} = 10\ \text{kV}$ ) -50 V

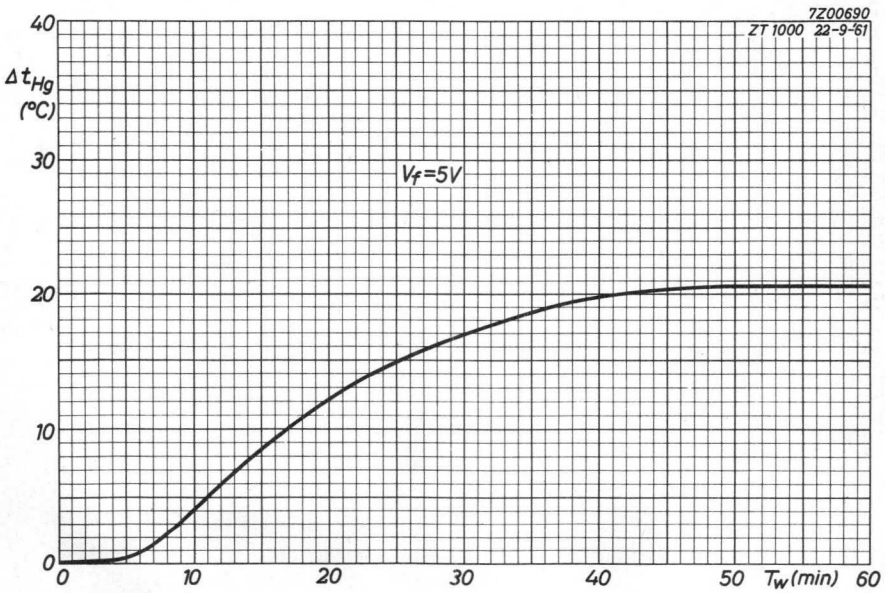
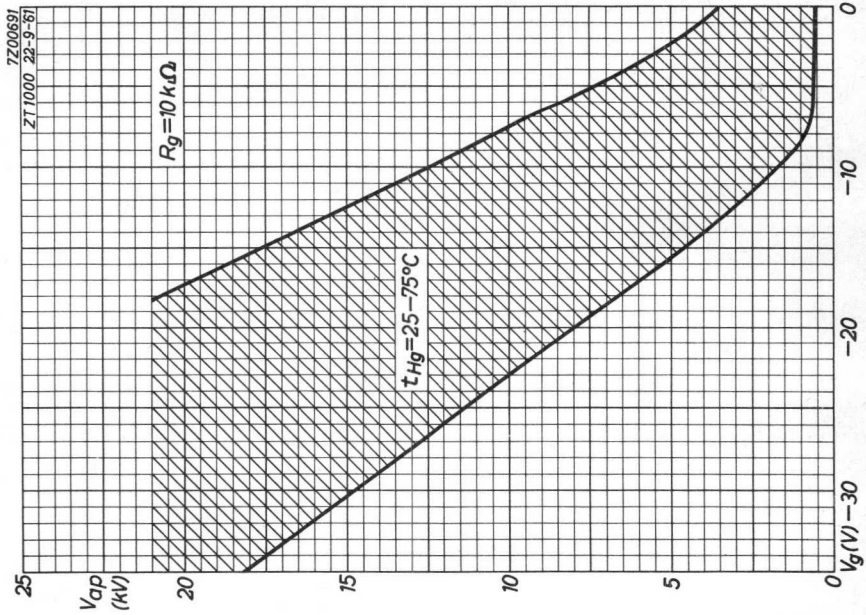
Grid current  $I_g$  2 mA

Peak anode inverse voltage $V_{a\ invp} = 21\ \text{kV}$				
Circuit <sup>1)</sup>	Transformer voltage	Output voltage	Output current	Output power
	$V_{tr}$ (kVRMS)	$V_o$ (kV)	$I_o$ (A)	$W_o$ (kW)
a	7.4	6.7	5	33.5
b	14.8	13.4	5	67
c	8.5	10	7.5	75
d	14.8	20	7.5	150

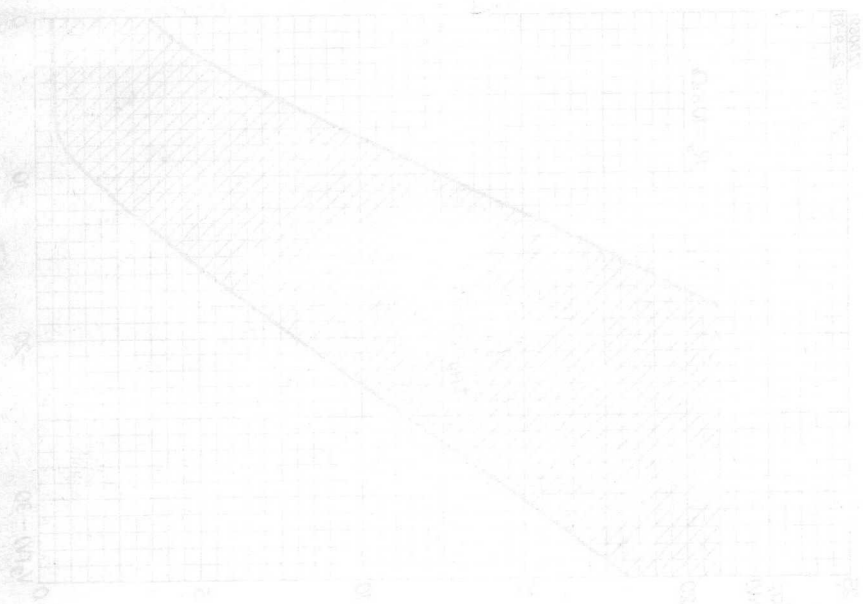
Peak anode inverse voltage $V_{a\ invp} = 15\ \text{kV}$				
Circuit <sup>1)</sup>	Transformer voltage	Output voltage	Output current	Output power
	$V_{tr}$ (kVRMS)	$V_o$ (kV)	$I_o$ (A)	$W_o$ (kW)
a	5.3	4.8	6	28.8
b	10.6	9.6	6	57.6
c	6.1	7.2	9	64.8
d	10.6	14.4	9	130

<sup>1)</sup> See page 8 in front of this section





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## HIGH-VOLTAGE MERCURY-VAPOUR RECTIFYING TUBES

### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Peak inverse voltage	$V_a \text{ invp}$	max.	13.5	7 kV
Output current	$I_o$	max.	1.5	1.75 A
Peak anode current	$I_{ap}$	max.	6	7 A

**HEATING:** direct; filament oxide coated

Filament voltage	$V_f$	5 V
Filament current	$I_f$	7 A
Waiting time ( $t_{Hg} > 25^\circ\text{C}$ )	$T_w$	min. 30 s

A phase shift of  $90^\circ \pm 30^\circ$  between  $V_a$  and  $V_f$  and the use of a centre-tapped filament transformer are recommended.

When the condensed mercury temperature  $t_{Hg} < 25^\circ\text{C}$  the waiting time can be found with the aid of the curve on page A.

After transport or after long interruptions of operation the waiting time need not be prolonged.

### TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Arc voltage  $V_{\text{arc}} (I_o = 1.5 \text{ A})$  12 V

LIMITING VALUES (Absolute limits)

Mains frequency	f	up to 150	150 Hz
Peak inverse anode voltage	$V_{a\text{ invp}}$	max. 13.5	7 kV
Output current	$I_o$	max. 1.5	1.75 A
(Averaging time)	$T_{av}$	max. 10	10 s)
Peak anode current	$I_{ap}$	max. 6	7 A
Peak surge current	$I_{surge p}$	max. 50	50 A
(Duration)	T	max. 0.1	0.1 s)
Condensed mercury temperature	$t_{Hg}$	25 to 55	25 to 70 °C <sup>1)</sup>
Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$	10 to 30	10 to 45 °C <sup>2)</sup>

<sup>1)</sup> If the equipment is started not more than twice daily, it is permitted to apply the high tension at a condensed mercury temperature of 20 °C.

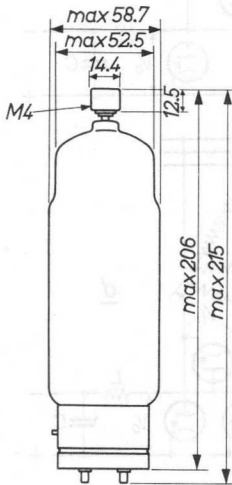
<sup>2)</sup> Approximate values with natural cooling. The tube may be operated at higher ambient temperatures than the stated maxima, provided the difference between ambient and condensed mercury temperature (approximately 25 °C with natural cooling) is reduced by an air flow directed to the bulb just above the base. A reduction of the difference to less than 10 °C can easily be obtained with a simple air jet. Maximum life and best performance will be obtained when the condensed mercury temperature is kept at approx. 35 °C.

**MECHANICAL DATA**

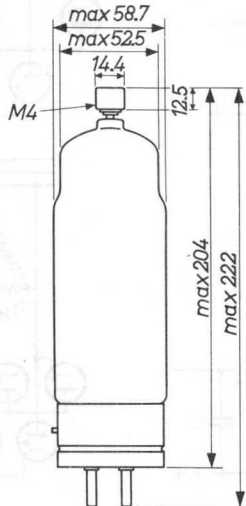
Dimensions in mm

Net weight: 200 g

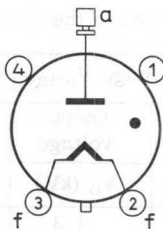
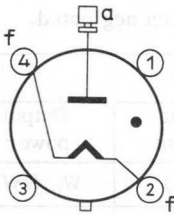
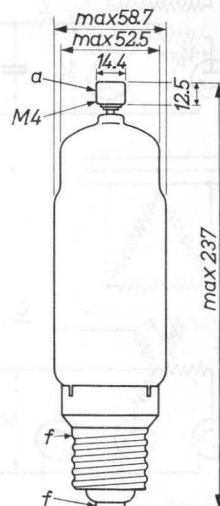
**ZY1000**



**ZY1001**



**ZY1002**



Base : Jumbo 4p with bayonet

Base : Super Jumbo with bayonet

Base : Goliath

Socket: 2422 511 02001

Socket: 2422 511 01001

Socket: 65909 BG/01

Anode connector: 40619

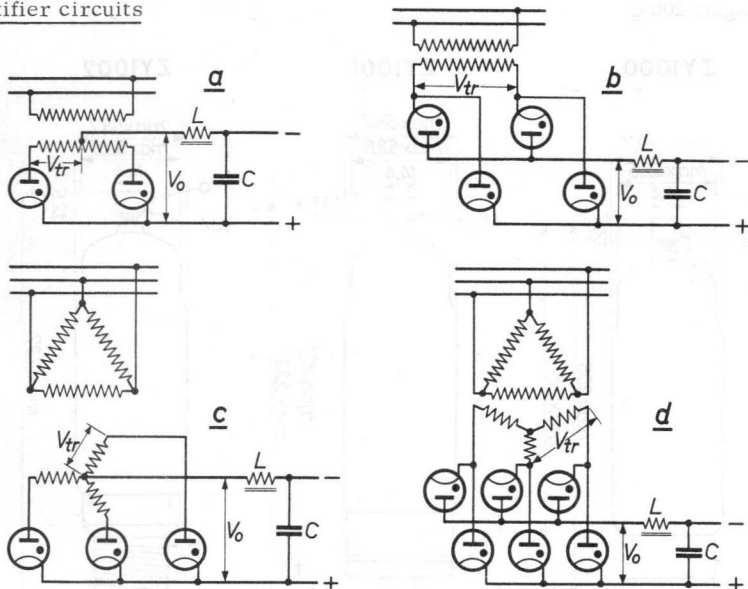
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Mounting position: vertical with base down

OPERATING CONDITIONS

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Maximum operating conditions

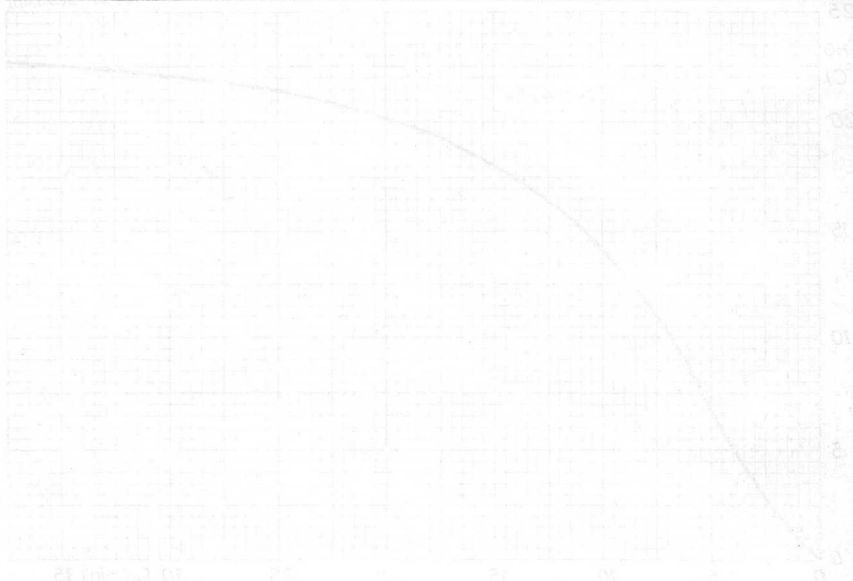
Transformer losses and voltage drops in the tubes have been neglected.

Peak inverse voltage $V_{a\ inv_p} = 13.5\text{ kV}$				
Circuit	Transformer voltage	Output voltage	Output current	Output power
	$V_{tr}$ (kV, RMS)	$V_o$ (kV)	$I_o$ (A)	$W_o$ (kW)
a	4.75	4.3	3.0	12.9
b	9.55	8.6	3.0	25.8
c	5.50	6.45	4.5	29
d	9.55	12.9	4.5	58

OPERATING CONDITIONS (continued)

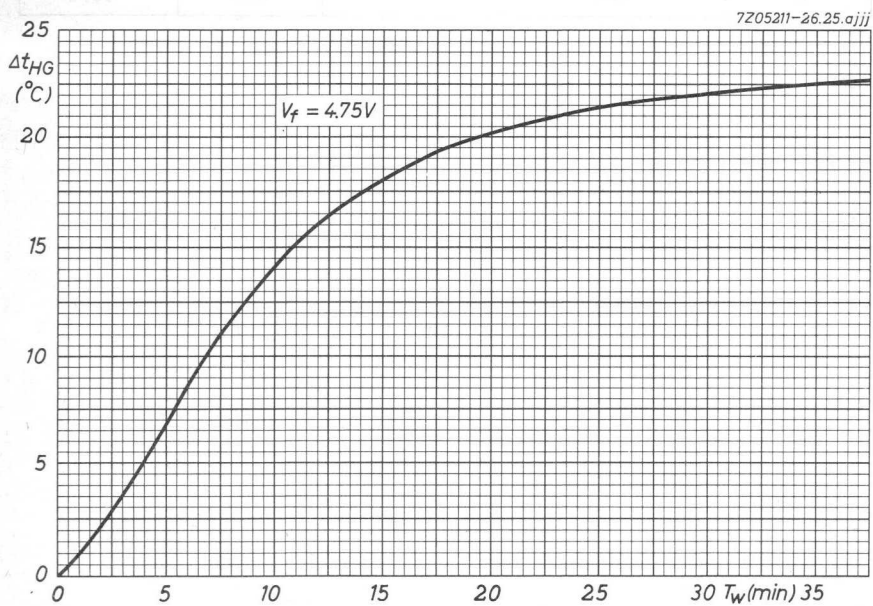
Typical operating conditions

Peak inverse voltage $V_{a\ invp} = 12.3\text{ kV}$ (max. $13.5\text{ kV}$ <sup>1)</sup> )				
Circuit	Transformer voltage	Output voltage <sup>2)</sup>	Output current	Output power
	$V_{tr}$ (kV, RMS)	$V_o$ (kV)	$I_o$ (A)	$W_o$ (kW)
a	4.35	3.6	3.0	10.8
b	8.7	7.2	3.0	21.6
c	5.0	5.4	4.5	24.3
d	8.7	10.8	4.5	48.6



1) Corresponding with mains voltage fluctuations of 10%

2) Tube voltage drops and losses in transformer, filter, etc., amounting to 8% of the voltage across the load, have already been deducted.





## Miscellaneous



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## SURGE ARRESTORS

### EXPLANATION OF PUBLISHED DATA

#### 1. Starting voltage (Ignition voltage; $V_{ign}$ )

The specified minimum and maximum starting voltage values indicate the voltage limits below which no ignition will take place and above which all tubes will ignite.

#### 2. Extinguishing voltage ( $V_{ext}$ )

At voltages equal to or lower than the voltage specified, the discharge is extinguished.

#### 3. Line voltage ( $V_{line}$ )

Surge arresters can be used for the protection of lines, the maximum operating voltage of which does not exceed the value specified. It is clear that surge arresters can also be used for the protection of lines and apparatus to which under normal conditions no voltage is applied.

#### 4. Surge current ( $I_{surge}$ )

The values specified for the maximum temporary current and the appertaining period of time should be regarded as design values and are a measure for the ability to discharge large quantities of electrical energy during a brief period.

Heavy discharges (within the time specified) resulting in currents that are about equal to the maximum surge current can be drawn off several times.

Moderate discharges can take place many times before the surge arrester will fail. Failure will generally be due to too large deviations from the published starting and extinguishing voltages.

If there is a great change of heavy continuous discharges, it is recommended to insert a series resistor, e.g. a voltage dependent resistor. In doing so the surge arrester will be protected against too large energies, whilst a voltage dependent resistor (exponent at least 4 to 5) will ensure extinguishing when discharge has taken place, also in the case of power lines.

5. Fuse in series

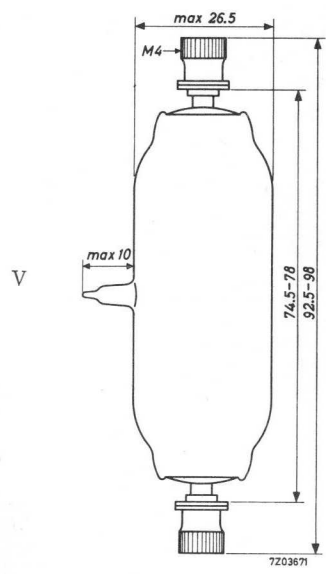
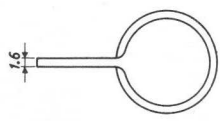
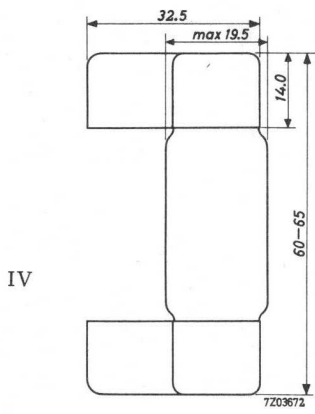
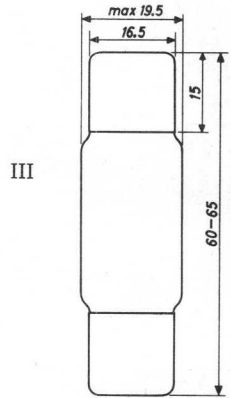
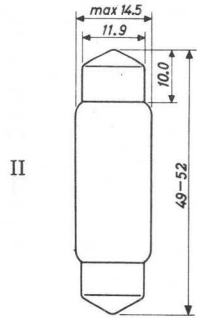
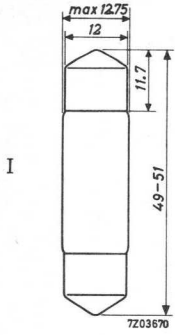
In the case of discharges of long duration e.g. as a result of direct contact between low and high-tension lines, care should be taken that the lines to be protected are disconnected, since otherwise damage will be caused to the surge arrester. A series-connected fuse may serve this purpose. The value published applies to a normal fuse type.

6. Capacitive discharge

Like the surge current value the value (expressed in watt seconds) given under this heading is a measure for the power of the surge arrester. For this value it also holds that energies equal to the value published can be drawn off a few times, and that energies that are several times smaller can be drawn off many times before the surge arrester will be unserviceable.

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Type		4349	4369	4370	4371	4372	4378	4379	4383*	4390	4397
Starting voltage	V	130-180	150-200	80-120	150-200	280-350	80-120	280-350	280-350	700-910	400-500
Min. extinguishing voltage	V	110	110	60	110	250	60	130	130	200	200
Surge current, max.	A	5	10	10	5	2.5	10	10	5	25	5
	sec	3	3	3	3	1	3	3	3	3	1
Fuse in series	max. A	6	10	10	6	6	10	10	6	25	6
Capacitive discharge	W <sub>S</sub>	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	500	10
Max. line voltage	V <sub>=</sub>	70	70	36	70	200	36	50	50	175	150
	V <sub>~</sub>	75	75	50	75	180	50	180	180	300	230
Dimensions, see fig.	No.	I	IV	IV	II	IV	III	IV	II	V	IV

\*Obsolescent type





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# CURRENT REGULATORS

# CURRENT REGULATORS

Type	I (A)	V (V)	Current tolerances from tube to tube			Max. dimensions in mm		
			V (V)	I <sub>min</sub>	I <sub>max</sub>	I	I' 1)	dia.
329	1.15	10-30	20	1.08 A	1.22 A	119	101	34
340	5.9	3-10	7	5.5 A	6.3 A	156	-	53
1904	0.1	30-80	60	96 mA	104 mA	100 2) 110 3)	- 92 3)	39
1905	1	2-6	4	960 mA	1.04 A	100	-	35
1908	0.8	5-15	5	740 mA	820 mA	107	89	35
			7	760 mA	860 mA			
			15	770 mA	860 mA			
1909	0.635	5-45	30	605 mA	665 mA	123	105	56
1910	1.4	5-15	5	1.3 A	-	110	92	35
			8.5	1.35 A	1.5 A			
			15	1.35 A	1.5 A			
1913*	2	4-12	8	1.92 A	2.08 A	129	-	41
1918-01*	0.1	4-10	7	97 mA	108 mA	67	-	21.5
			30	410 mA	450 mA	98	-	39
1927	0.18	40-120	80	172 mA	188 mA	138	120	40.5
1928	0.18	80-240	160	172 mA	188 mA	147	129	40.5
1941	0.3	80-200	140	289 mA	311 mA	162 4) 154 5)	144 4)	53

1) Length without pins

2) Swan

3) 3-p

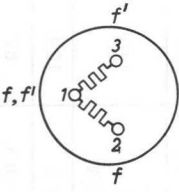
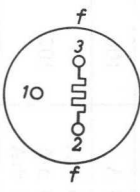
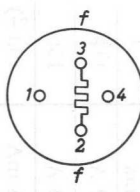
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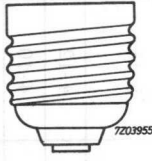

4) A

5) Edison



# CURRENT REGULATORS

	329	1904 1908 1909 1910	1927 1928 1941
			
Base	3-p	3-p	A
Socket	2422 512 02001		

	340 1905 1913 1923 1941	1918-01
		
Base	EDISON	EDISON MIGNON



## **Associated accessories**

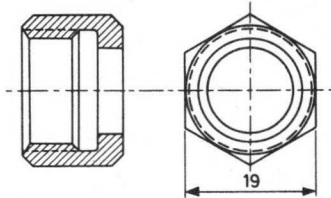


Associated accessories

## COOLING WATER CONNECTION FOR IGNITRONS

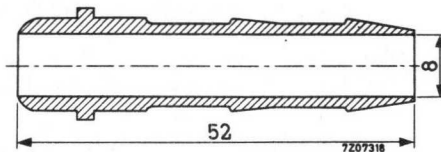
TE 1051b

Cap Nut (Thread 3/8" gas)



TE 1051c

Connection for 9 mm Hose



Material: brass



TE 1051 B  
TE 1051 C

# COOLING WATER CONNECTION FOR MICRONS

General Dimensions of Micron



Dimensions of Cooling Water Connection



Standard Drawing

Standard Drawing  
No. 1051  
1951

## BIMETAL RELAY

Bimetal relay

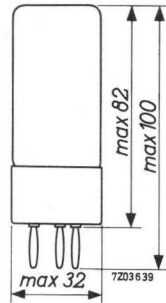
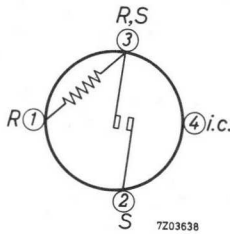
### QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Heater current	$I_R$	85 to 115 mA
Timing		150 to 30 s

### DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Dimensions in mm

Base: A



### HEATING

Heater current  $I_R$  85 to 115 mA

At  $t_{amb} < 25^\circ\text{C}$  the recommended min. value is 95 mA

Resistance of the heating element R  $R$  370  $\Omega$

### OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS at $t_{amb} = 25^\circ\text{C}$

Heater current	$I_R$	85	95	115 mA
Timing		max. 150	55 to 85	min. 30 s

**LIMITING VALUES** (Absolute max. rating system)

Heater current	$I_r$	max.	125 mA
Ambient temperature	$t_{amb}$	max.	+60 °C
Current	$t_{amb}$	min.	-10 °C

Maximum current

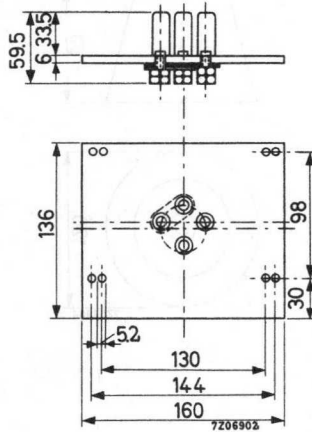
	When switching on	When switching off
Mains voltage		
220 V $\overline{\text{=}}$	1.5 A	250 mA
220 V $\sim$	1.5 A	250 mA
380 V $\sim$	0.7 A	75 mA

**ACCESSORIES**

Socket type 40465

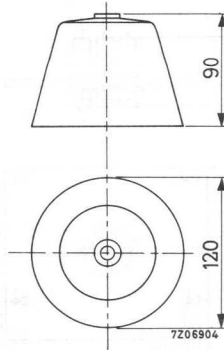


## TUBE SOCKET



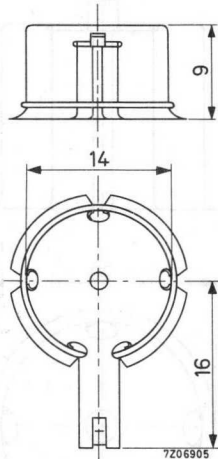
Material: Pertinax Insulating Material

## ANODE CAP

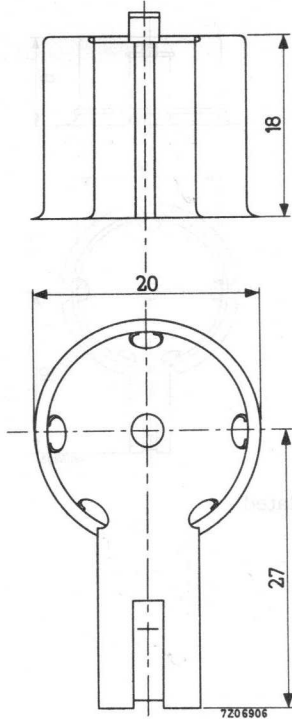


Material: Phenolic



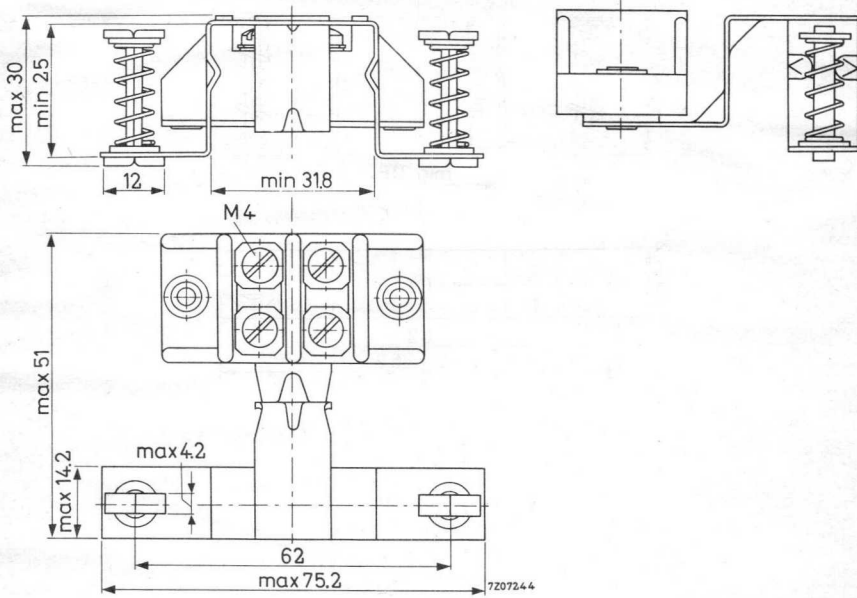
**TOP CAP CONNECTOR**FOR TOP CAPS WITH 14.38 mm  $\varnothing$  (IEC 67-III-1b, type 3).

Material: brass, nickel plated

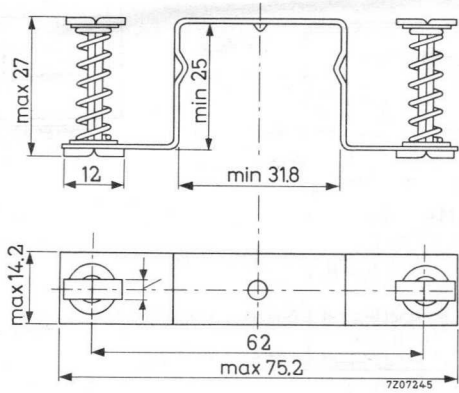
**TOP CAP CONNECTOR**FOR TOP CAPS WITH 20.32 mm  $\phi$  (IEC 67-III-1b, type 4).

Material: brass, nickel plated

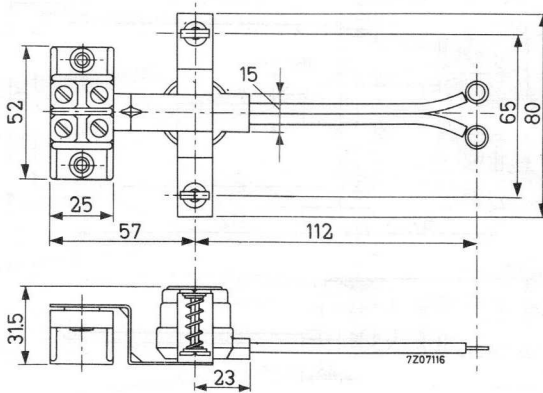
## STRAP FOR THERMOSTAT



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## WATER SAVING THERMOSTAT



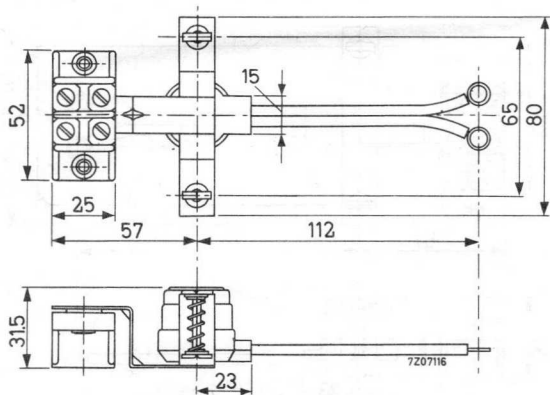
The thermostat has a normally open contact which closes at a typical plate temperature of  $35 \pm 3$  °C and reopens at  $30 \pm 3$  °C

### Contact ratings

30	V <sub>dc</sub>	10	A
125	V <sub>rms</sub>	10	A
250	V <sub>rms</sub>	8	A
600	V <sub>rms</sub>	0.5	A

Max. voltage between ignitron and thermostat 600 V<sub>rms</sub>

## PROTECTING THERMOSTAT



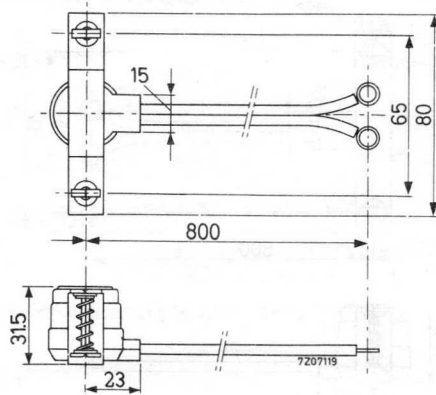
The thermostat has a normally closed contact which opens at a typical plate temperature of  $52 \pm 3$  °C and recloses at  $41 \pm 3$  °C

### Contact ratings

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600	$V_{rms}$	0.5	A

Max. voltage between ignitron and thermostat  $600 V_{rms}$

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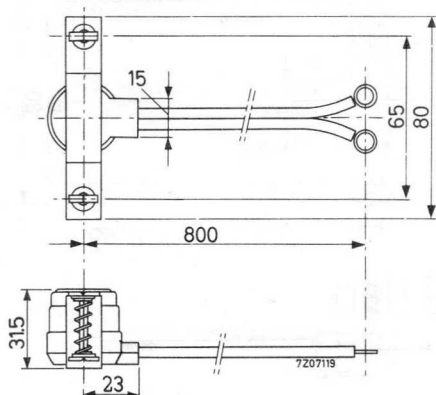
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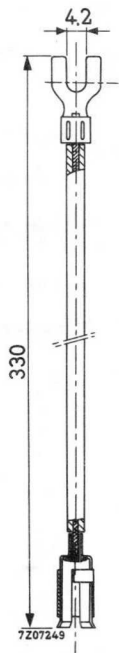
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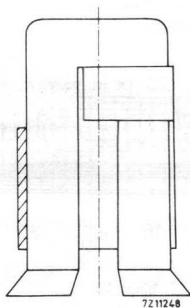


# IGNITOR CABLE



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# IGNITOR CONNECTOR

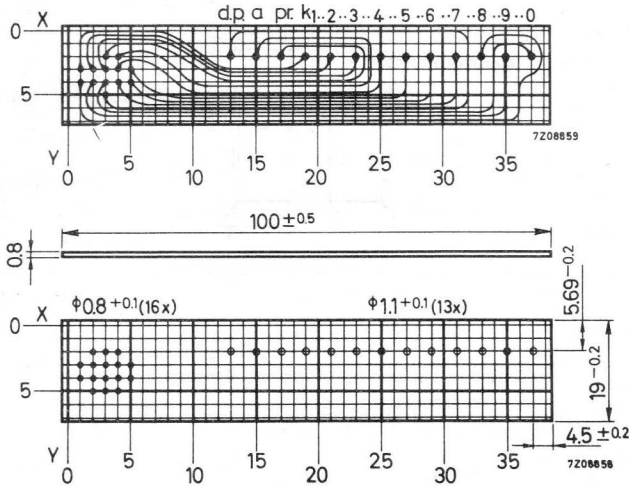


# PRINTED WIRING BOARD

for supporting the tube ZM1000

Mounting board to which the ZM1000 can be soldered after which the combination can be connected to a vertical printed wiring board which contains, e.g., the drive unit.

DIMENSIONS in mm



Material

phenol paper 0.8 mm

Holes

0.8 mm  $\phi$  on 2.54 (0.1 in) pitch for soldering the ZM1000, soldering islands 2-0.1 mm  $\phi$

1.1 mm  $\phi$  on 5.08 (0.2 in) pitch for connections, soldering islands 3 $\pm$ 0.1 mm  $\phi$

Creepage distance

min. 0.35 mm

Track width

min. 0.35 mm

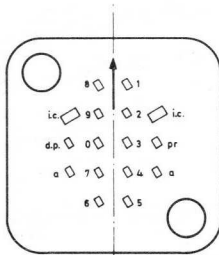
## 14 PIN TUBE SOCKET

Socket for over chassis mounting and mounting on a printed wiring board with reference grid according to IEC publication 97.

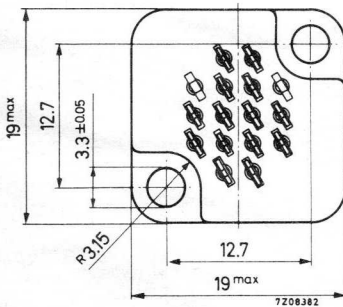
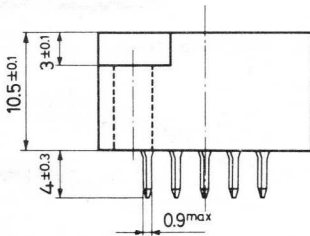
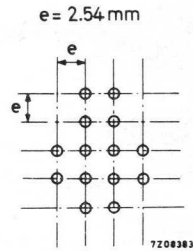
The socket is compatible with 14 pin base (e.g. ZM1000).

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm



Hole pattern in printed wiring board  
(for bottom view of socket)



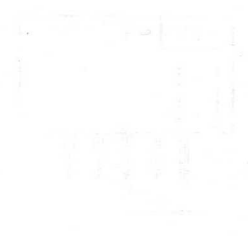
Material: Phenolic

Contacts: Fork shaped, silver plated

# 1/2 PIN TUBE SOCKET

1. This socket is used for the connection of the tube to the board. It is made of silver plated copper and is designed to be inserted into the hole in the board. The tube is inserted into the socket and the connection is made by the pressure of the tube against the socket.

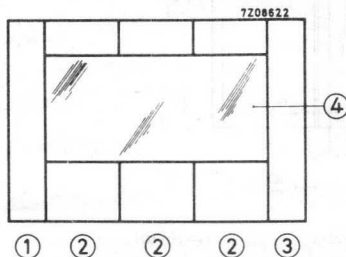
2. The socket is made of silver plated copper and is designed to be inserted into the hole in the board. The tube is inserted into the socket and the connection is made by the pressure of the tube against the socket.



3. The socket is made of silver plated copper and is designed to be inserted into the hole in the board. The tube is inserted into the socket and the connection is made by the pressure of the tube against the socket.

## SNAP-FIT INDICATOR-TUBE ASSEMBLY

A snap-fit indicator-tube assembly consists of a left-hand end piece ①, a number of snap-fit tube holders ②, as many as there are indicator tubes to be fitted side by side, a right-hand end piece ③, and a filter plate ④, which forms the front panel. The filter plate is preferably of the blue-light absorbing type made of, for instance, circular-polarized material.



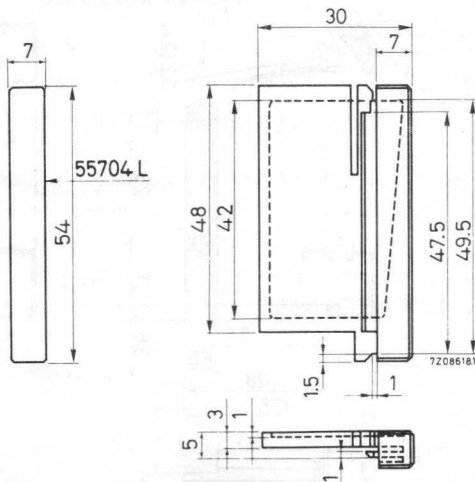
The various items can be fitted easily into a rectangular window cut in the frontplate of a piece of equipment; no tools are needed for mounting and this can take place from the front.

A snap-fit indicator-tube assembly can be used with front plates  $1.6 \pm 0.2$  mm thick.

### DIMENSIONS in mm

Material: gray plastic.

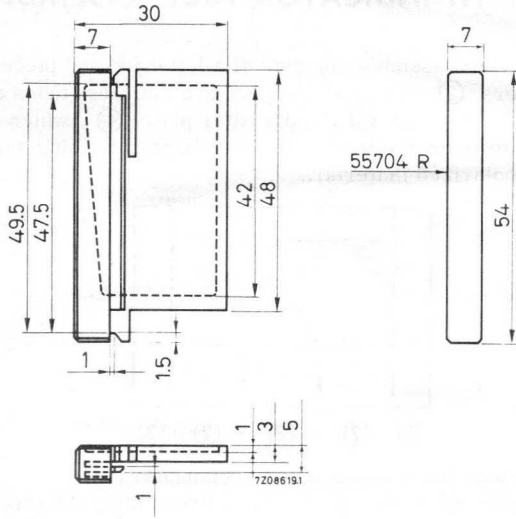
#### Left-hand end piece



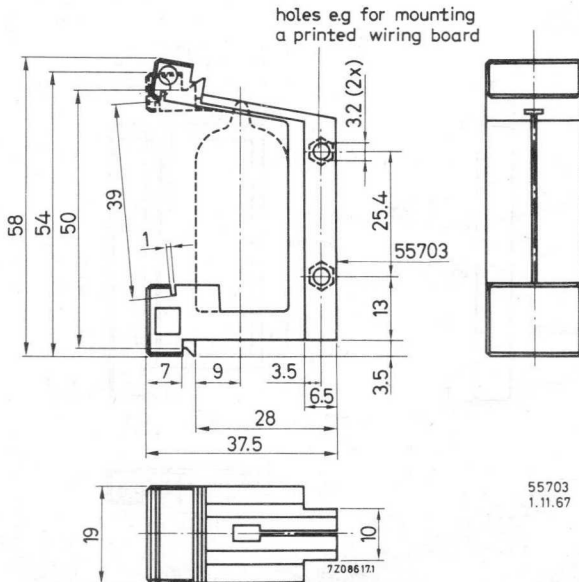
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Right-hand end piece

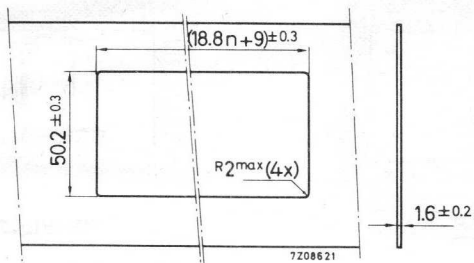


These two items are supplied together under type number 55704  
Snap-fit tube holder Type number 55703



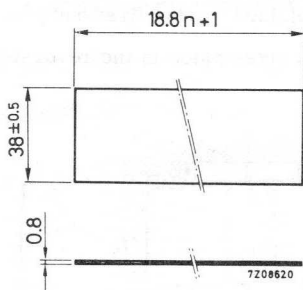
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Window to be cut in the front plate

$n$  = number of tube holders type 55703.

plate thickness  $1.6 \pm 0.2$  mm

Filter plate (not included in the delivery)

$n$  = number of tube holders 55703

**MOUNTING INSTRUCTIONS**

- Slide one of the end pieces into position in the window cut in the front plate; Figs. 1a and 1b show this for the left-hand end piece.

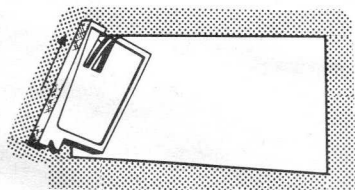


Fig. 1a

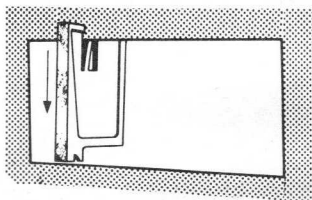


Fig. 1b

2. Slide the snap-fit tube holders into position one by one, see Fig. 2a and 2b.

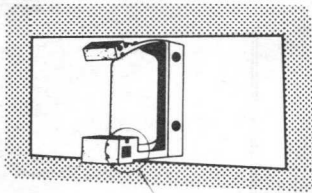


Fig. 2a

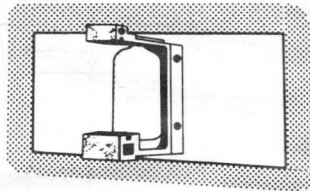


Fig. 2b

3. After the last tube holder has been moved to its place, slide the filter plate into the grooves provided for the purpose, see Fig. 3. Slide the other end piece into position in the manner explained for the first end piece.

Removal of the various items takes place in the reversed order.

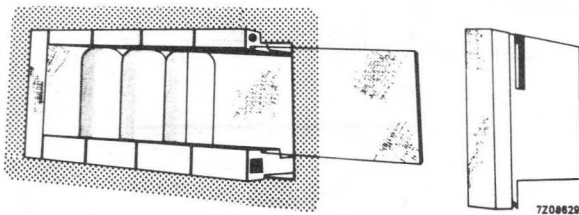


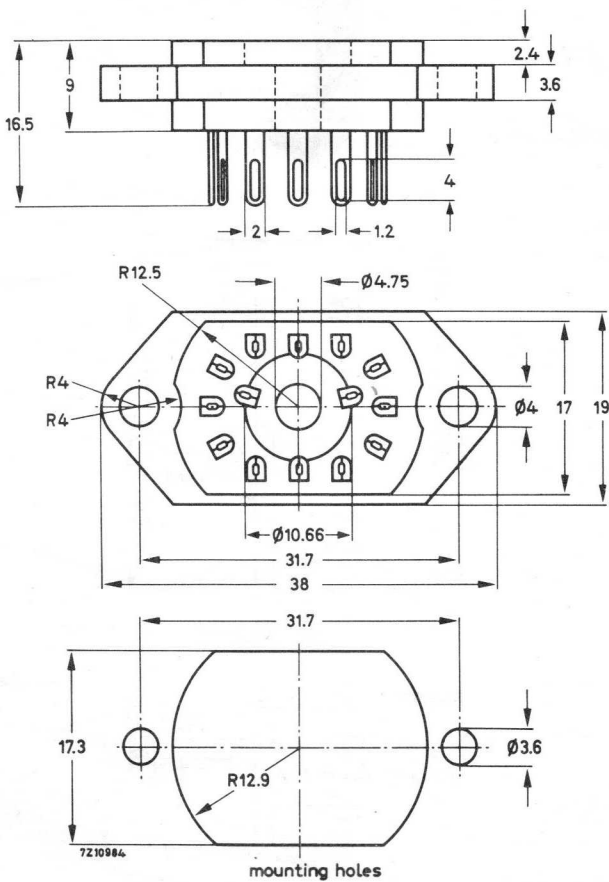
Fig. 3

## 14-PIN TUBE SOCKET

14-pin socket, intended for use with close mounted rectangular envelope indicator tubes.

### MECHANICAL DATA

Dimensions in mm

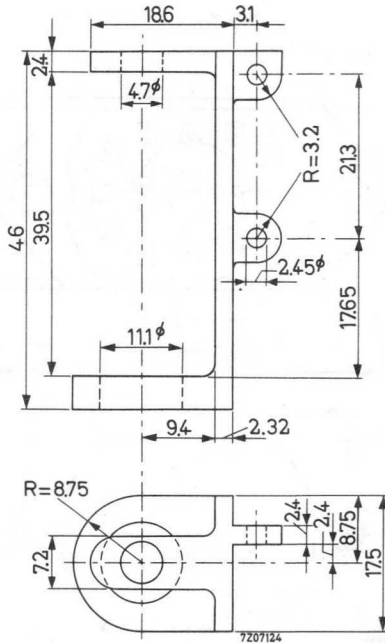


## MOUNTING BRACKET FOR INDICATOR TUBES

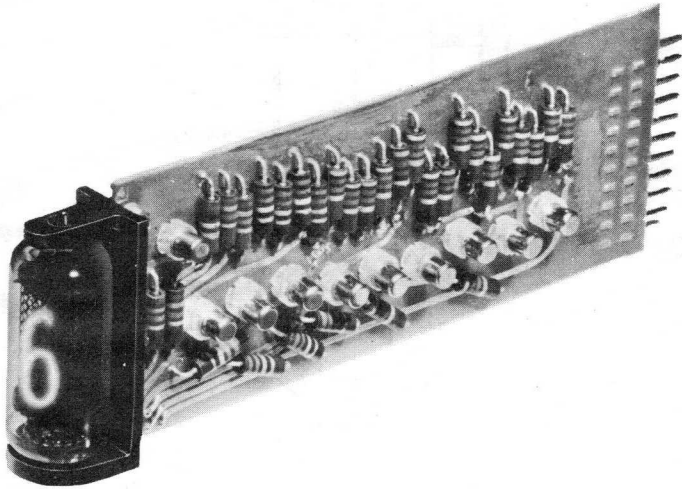
This bracket provides a simple means of mounting an indicator tube of dimensions similar to the ZM1080 series directly to the edge of a printed circuit board.



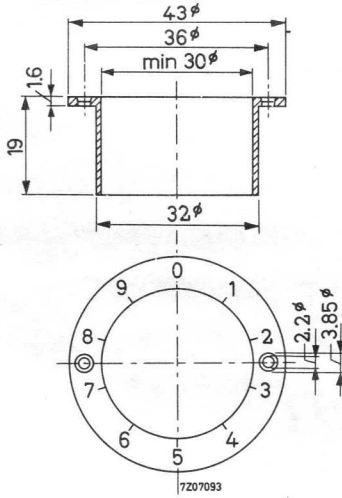
Dimensions in mm



Material: plastic



# ESCUTCHEON



## INDEX OF TYPENUMBERS

Type No.	Section	Type No.	Section	Type No.	Section
AGR9950	H.V.	PL5551A	Ign.	ZM1005R	C.S.I.T.
DCG1/250	H.V.	PL5552A	Ign.	ZM1020	C.S.I.T.
DCG4/1000	H.V.	PL5553B	Ign.	ZM1021	C.S.I.T.
DCG4/5000	H.V.	PL5555	Ign.	ZM1022	C.S.I.T.
DCG5/30	H.V.	PL5557	Thyr.	ZM1023	C.S.I.T.
DCG5/5000	H.V.	PL5559	Thyr.	ZM1024	C.S.I.T.
DCG6/18	H.V.	PL5632/C3J	Thyr.	ZM1025	C.S.I.T.
DCG6/18GB	H.V.	PL5684/C3JA	Thyr.	ZM1030	C.S.I.T.
DCG6/6000	H.V.	PL5727	Thyr.	ZM1031/01	C.S.I.T.
DCG7/100	H.V.	PL6574	Thyr.	ZM1032	C.S.I.T.
DCG7/100B	H.V.	PL6755A	Thyr.	ZM1033/01	C.S.I.T.
DCG9/20	H.V.	TE1051b	Acc.	ZM1040	C.S.I.T.
DCG12/30	H.V.	TE1051c	Acc.	ZM1041	C.S.I.T.
DCX4/1000	H.V.	Z70U	Tr.T.	ZM1042	C.S.I.T.
DCX4/5000	H.V.	Z71U	Tr.T.	ZM1043	C.S.I.T.
OA2	V.S.R.T.	Z504S	C.S.I.T.	ZM1050	C.S.I.T.
OA2WA	V.S.R.T.	Z505S	C.S.I.T.	ZM1080	C.S.I.T.
OB2	V.S.R.T.	Z803U	Tr.T.	ZM1081	C.S.I.T.
OB2WA	V.S.R.T.	ZA1001	Tr.T.	ZM1082	C.S.I.T.
PL2D21	Thyr.	ZA1002	Tr.T.	ZM1083	C.S.I.T.
PL3C23A	Thyr.	ZA1004	Tr.T.	ZM1162	C.S.I.T.
PL10	Thyr.	ZA1005	Tr.T.	ZM1170	C.S.I.T.
PL105	Thyr.	ZC1040	Tr.T.	ZM1172	C.S.I.T.
PL106	Thyr.	ZC1050	Tr.T.	ZM1174	C.S.I.T.
PL150	Thyr.	ZC1060	Tr.T.	ZM1175	C.S.I.T.
PL255	Thyr.	ZM1000	C.S.I.T.	ZM1176	C.S.I.T.
PL260	Thyr.	ZM1000R	C.S.I.T.	ZM1177	C.S.I.T.
PL1607	Thyr.	ZM1001	C.S.I.T.	ZM1200	C.S.I.T.
PL5544	Thyr.	ZM1001R	C.S.I.T.	ZM1230	C.S.I.T.
PL5545	Thyr.	ZM1005	C.S.I.T.	ZM1232	C.S.I.T.

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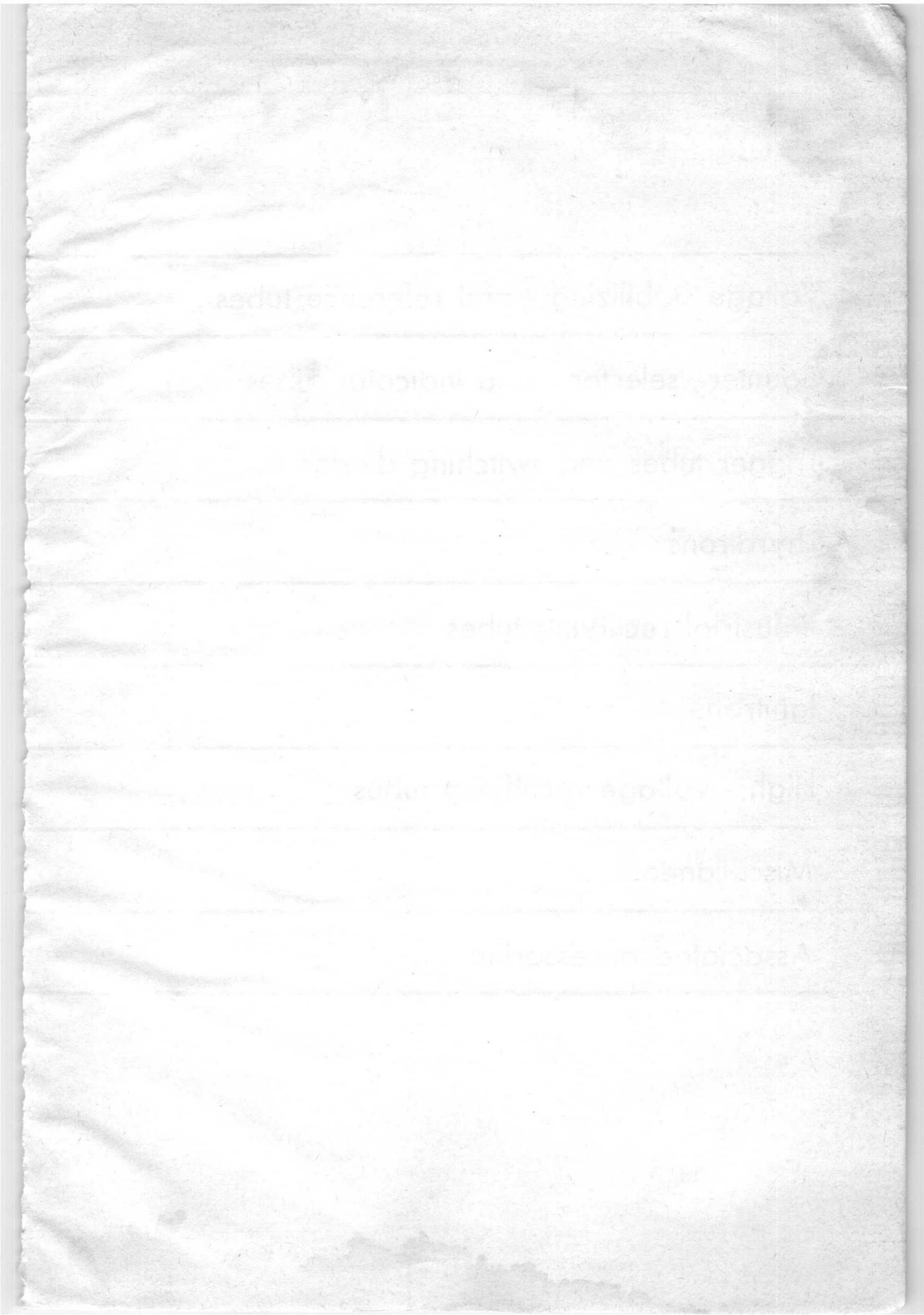
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ZT1000	H.V.	1039	I.R.T.	1928	Misc.
ZT100i	H.V.	1049	I.R.T.	1941	Misc.
ZT1011	Thyr.	1054	I.R.T.	4152/02	Acc.
ZX1051	Ign.	1069K	I.R.T.	4349 to	Misc.
ZX1052	Ign.	1110	I.R.T.	4397	
ZX1053	Ign.	1119	I.R.T.	4662	C.S.I.T.
ZX1060	Ign.	1138	I.R.T.	5643	Thyr.
ZX1061	Ign.	1163	I.R.T.	5696	Thyr.
ZX1062	Ign.	1164	I.R.T.	5949	Thyr.
ZX1063	Ign.	1173	I.R.T.	40409	Acc.
ZY1000	H.V.	1174	I.R.T.	40616	Acc.
ZY1001	H.V.	1176	I.R.T.	40619	Acc.
ZY1002	H.V.	1177	I.R.T.	40620	Acc.
ZZ1000	V.S.R.T.	1710	I.R.T.	40713	Acc.
3C45	Thyr.	1725A	I.R.T.	40714	Acc.
4C35A	Thyr.	1738	I.R.T.	55305	Acc.
5C22	Thyr.	1749A	I.R.T.	55306	Acc.
75C1	V.S.R.T.	1788	I.R.T.	55317	Acc.
83A1	V.S.R.T.	1838	I.R.T.	55318	Acc.
85A2	V.S.R.T.	1849	I.R.T.	55351	Acc.
90C1	V.S.R.T.	1859	I.R.T.	55357	Acc.
150B2	V.S.R.T.	1904	Misc.	55701	Acc.
328	I.R.T.	1905	Misc.	55702	Acc.
329	Misc.	1908	Misc.	55703	Acc.
340	Misc.	1909	Misc.	55704	Acc.
354	I.R.T.	1910	Misc.	55705	Acc.
367	I.R.T.	1913	Misc.	56022	Acc.
451	I.R.T.	1918-01	Misc.	56062	Acc.
1010	I.R.T.	1923	Misc.		
1037	I.R.T.	1927	Misc.		

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Trigger tubes and switching diodes

Thyratrons

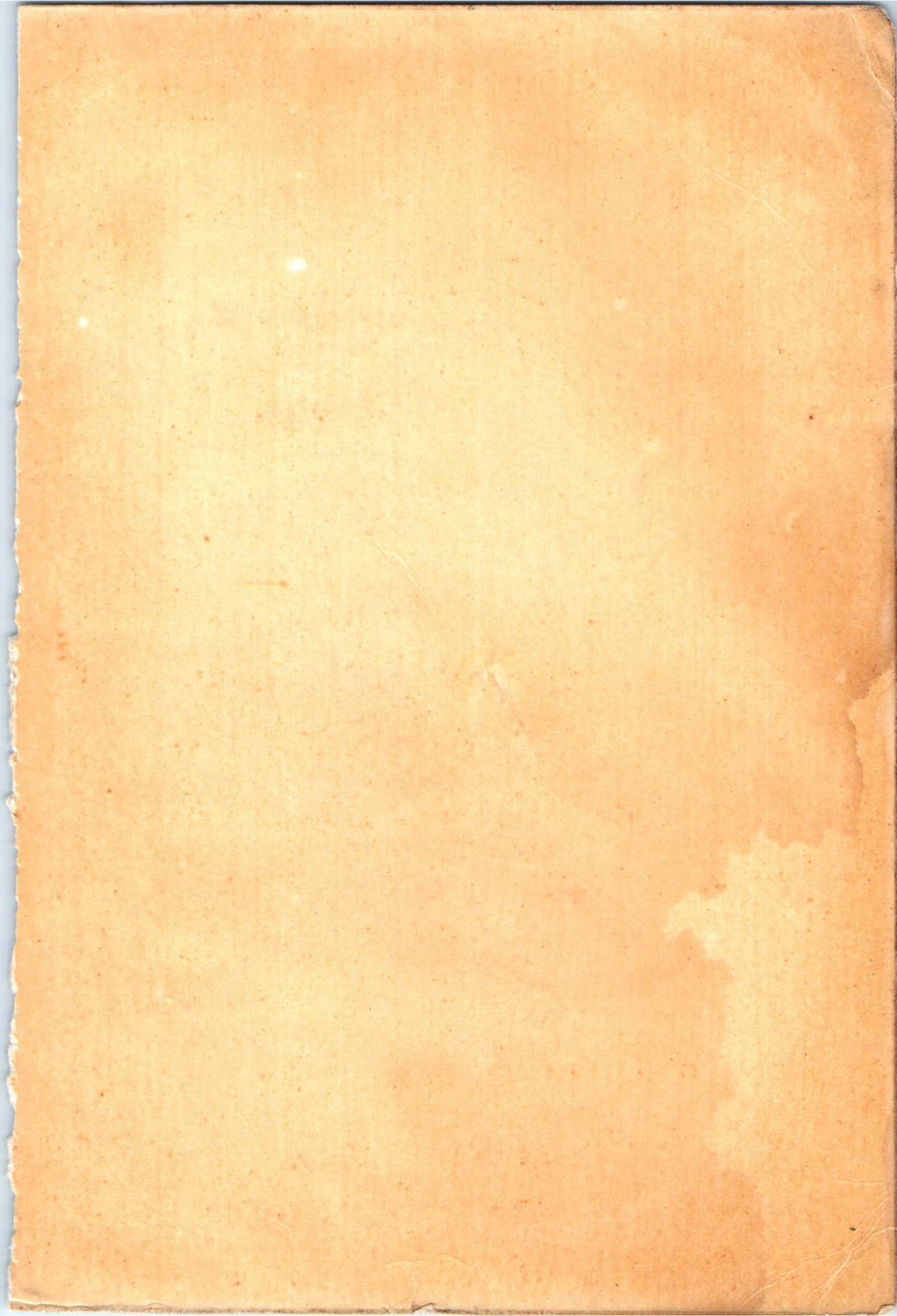
Industrial rectifying tubes

Ignitrons

High - voltage rectifying tubes

Miscellaneous

Associated accessories



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