



ELECTRON TUBE DEPARTMENT ■ COMPONENTS DIVISION
INTERNATIONAL TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH CORPORATION, CLIFTON, NEW JERSEY

KUTHE
KU-99
HYDROGEN
THYRATRON

DESCRIPTION:

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ELECTRICAL DATA, GENERAL:

	<u>NOM.</u>	<u>MIN.</u>	<u>MAX.</u>	
HEATER VOLTAGE	6.3	5.9	6.7	VOLTS A.C.
HEATER CURRENT (AT 6.3 VOLTS)		2.2	2.7	AMPERES
MINIMUM HEATING TIME				3 MINUTES

MECHANICAL DATA, GENERAL:

MOUNTING POSITION	ANY
BASE	MEDIUM, 4 PIN, LOW LOSS PHENOLIC, A 4-9 SMALL METAL, C1-1
ANODE CAP	
COOLING (NOTE 1)	
NET WEIGHT	2.5 OUNCES
DIMENSIONS	SEE OUTLINE

RATINGS:

MAX. PEAK ANODE VOLTAGE, FORWARD	3.0	KILOVOLTS
MAX. PEAK ANODE VOLTAGE, INVERSE (NOTE 2)	3.0	KILOVOLTS
MIN. ANODE SUPPLY VOLTAGE	800	VOLTS D.C.
MAX. PEAK ANODE CURRENT	35	AMPERES
MAX. AVERAGE ANODE CURRENT	45	MILLIAMPERES
MAX. RMS ANODE CURRENT (NOTE 3)	1.25	AMPERES A.C.
MAX. EPY X IB X PRR	0.3 X 10 ⁹	
MAX. ANODE CURRENT RATE OF RISE	750	AMPERES/USECOND
PEAK TRIGGER VOLTAGE (NOTE 4)		
MAX. PEAK INVERSE TRIGGER VOLTAGE	200	VOLTS
MAX. ANODE DELAY TIME (NOTE 5)	0.6	MICROSECOND
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MAX. TIME JITTER (NOTE 6)	0.02	MICROSECOND
		(INITIAL)
	0.04	USECOND (END OF LIFE)
AMBIENT TEMPERATURE	-500 TO 4900	CENT.

TYPICAL OPERATION AS PULSE MODULATOR, DC RESONANT CHARGING:

PEAK NETWORK VOLTAGE	3.0	KILOVOLTS
PULSE REPETITION RATE	2500	PULSES/SECOND
PULSE LENGTH	0.5	MICROSECOND
PULSE FORMING NETWORK IMPEDANCE	45.2	OHMS
TRIGGER VOLTAGE	200	VOLTS
PEAK POWER OUTPUT - (RESISTIVE LOAD 92% ZN)	47.2	KILOWATTS
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AVERAGE ANODE CURRENT	.044	AMPERES D.C.

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NOTE 4:

THE VOLTAGE BETWEEN GRID AND CATHODE TERMINALS OF THE SOCKET WITH THE TUBE REMOVED SHOULD HAVE THE FOLLOWING CHARACTERISTICS:

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| A. VOLTAGE | 175-250 VOLTS |
| B. DURATION | 2 MICROSECOND (AT 70% POINTS) |
| C. SOURCE IMPEDANCE | 1500 OHMS (MAX.) |
| D. RATE OF RISE | 200 VOLTS/MICROSECOND (MIN.) |

THE LIMITS OF ANODE TIME DELAY AND ANODE TIME JITTER ARE BASED ON THE MINIMUM TRIGGER. USING THE HIGHEST PERMISSIBLE TRIGGER VOLTAGE AND LOWEST TRIGGER SOURCE IMPEDANCE MATERIALLY REDUCES THESE VALUES BELOW THE LIMITS SPECIFIED.

NOTE 5:

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NOTE 6:

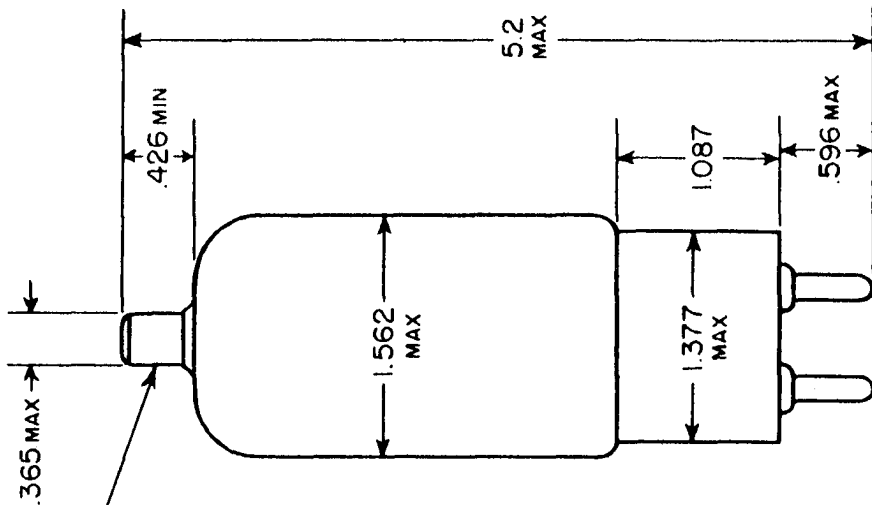
TIME JITTER IS MEASURED AT THE 50 PERCENT POINT ON THE ANODE CURRENT PULSE.

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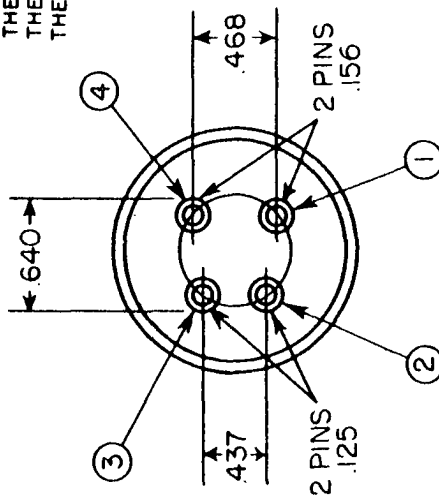


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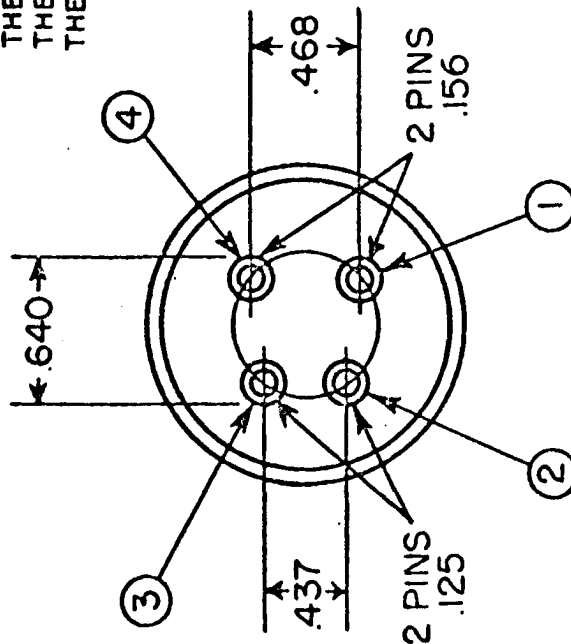
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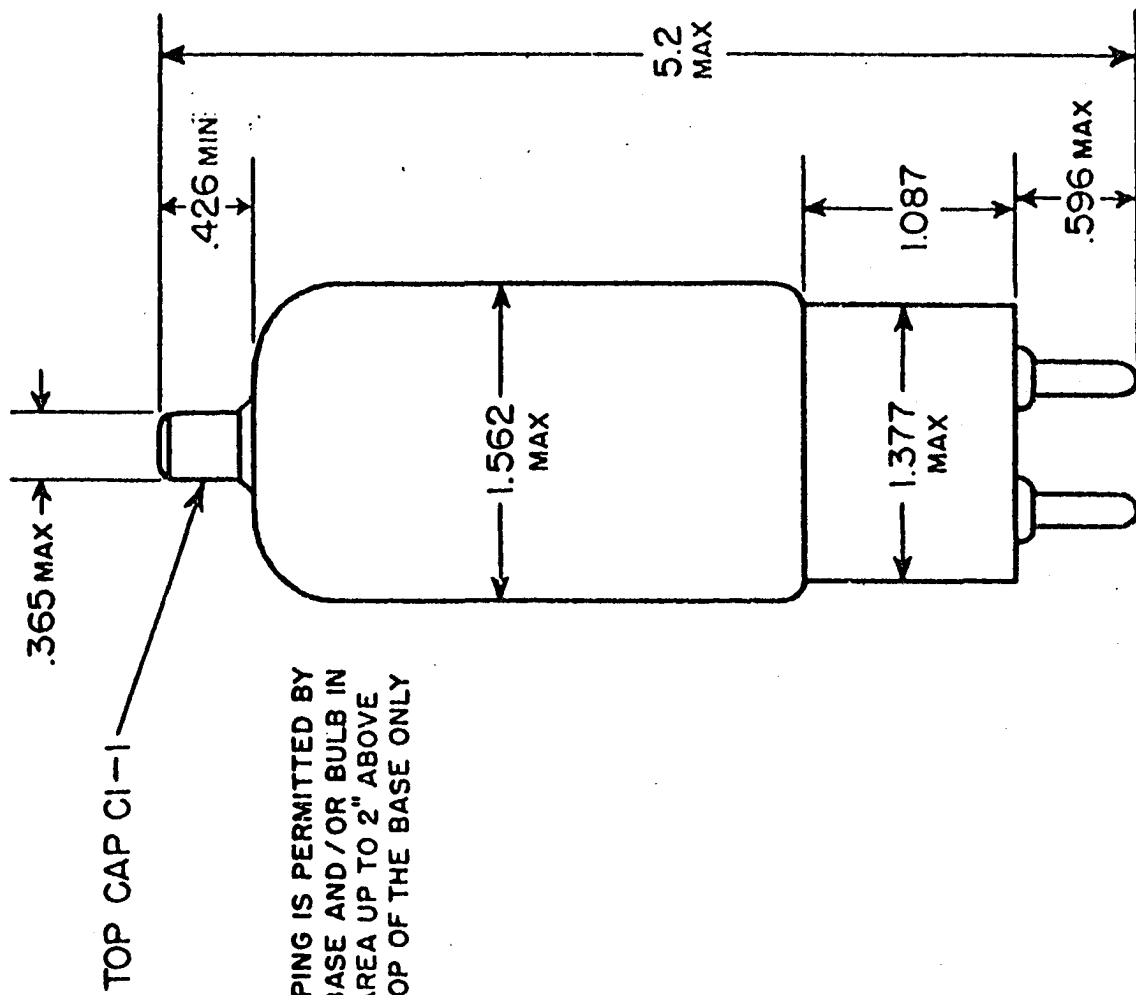
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