

ELECTRONIC TUBE REFERENCE

8553

Specialized - Thyatron electronic tube

CONSOLIDATED TECHNICAL DATA

1 SECTION
CONSTRUCTION
THYRATRON

Hydrogen thyatron for high-power pulse switching. Its heavy heater supports rapid controlled discharge at substantial pulse current.

GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

BASE DESIGNATION	—	BASE PINS	—
NOMINAL HEATER	6.3 V / 7.8 A	PARALLEL HEATER	— / —
HEATING	Indirect	SERIES OPERATION	Not specified
CATHODE ARRANGEMENT	Separate cathodes	SECTION CONSTRUCTION	Similar

SECTION RATINGS

SECTION1 Thyatron	
MAXIMUM PLATE VOLTAGE	16000 V
NOMINAL OUTPUT CURRENT	500 mA
PEAK FORWARD CURRENT	500 A
WARM-UP TIME	180 s
Applicable promoted fields mapped semantically from the printed ratings; device-specific electrical limits and operating conditions are preserved densely in TUBE_SECTION_PARAMETER.	

Ceramic hydrogen thyatron and plug-in replacement for 5C22; shared 8553/KU72Z designation.

SOURCE OPERATING CONDITIONS

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Published test conditions and operating points. Values on this page are preserved as reported by this source.

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CHARACTERISTIC		
PARAMETER	PUBLISHED VALUE	CONDITION / NOTE
Heater Voltage	5.8–6.8 V	—
Heater Current	6 A–10 A	—

OTHER		
PARAMETER	PUBLISHED VALUE	CONDITION / NOTE
Minimum Heating Time	3 min	—
Peak Forward Anode Voltage	16000 V	—
Peak Anode Current	500 A	—
Average Anode Current	500 mA	—

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