

THYRATRON

DESCRIPTION

The GL-2050 is a small, double-grid, inert-gasfilled thyratron designed for grid-controlled rectifier service. The control characteristic is independent of ambient temperature over a wide range. The tube is not appreciably affected by line-voltage surges because of the low grid-to-anode capacitance. High sensitivity, the result of low grid current which allows the use of high resistance in the grid circuit, permits operation of the GL-2050 thyratron from a vacuum-type phototube.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

These data are for reference only. For design information refer to specifications.

GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

cathode terminal.

| Number of electrodes | |
|--|-----------------|
| Electrical | |
| Cathode—Indirectly heated type | |
| Voltage | volts |
| Current, approx | ampere |
| Heating time, minimum | seconds |
| Peak voltage drop, approx8 | volts |
| Grid resistors* | |
| Minimum0.01 | megohm |
| Maximum10 | megohms |
| Anode to control-grid capacitance, approx0.26 | micromicrofarad |
| *When this tube is operated with an alternating anode voltage and a high value | |

terminal, by connecting pins 4 and 8 together at the socket, and by using a close fitting bulb shield connected to the





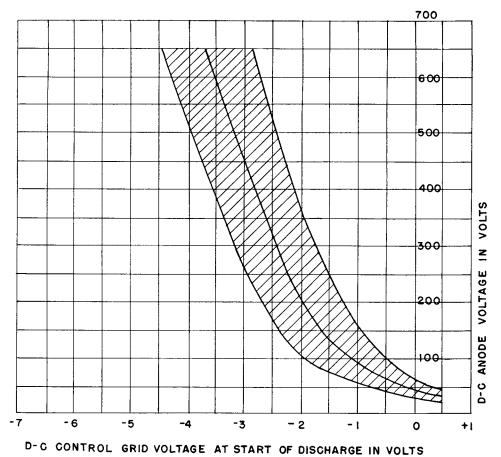
TECHNICAL INFORMATION (CONT'D)

Mechanical

| Net weight, approx | ounces |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Shipping weight, approx | pounds |
| Operating position | vertical or horizontal |

MAXIMUM RATINGS

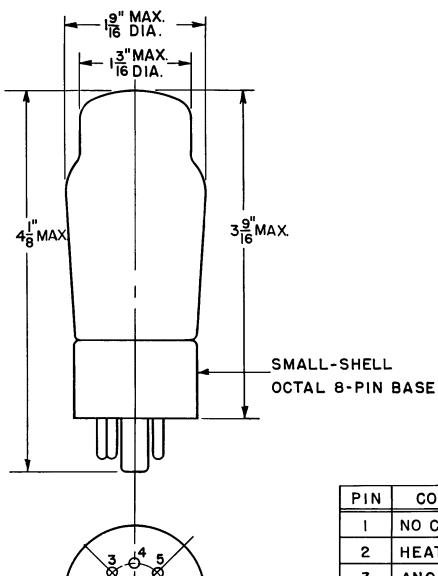
| Maximum peak anode voltage | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Inverse | volts |
| Forward650 | volts |
| Shield-grid voltage100 | volts |
| Control-grid voltage100 | volts |
| Maximum anode current | |
| Instantaneous | milliamperes |
| Average100 | milliamperes |
| Maximum time of averaging current | seconds |



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GL-2050
TYPICAL CONTROL CHARACTERISTICS
SHADED AREA SHOWS RANGE OF CHARACTERISTICS
SHIELD GRID CONNECTED TO CATHODE

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OUTLINE GL-2050 THYRATRON

| PIN | CONNECTION |
|-----|---------------|
| 1 | NO CONNECTION |
| 2 | HEATER |
| 3 | ANODE |
| 4 | NO CONNECTION |
| 5 | CONTROL GRID |
| 6 | SHIELD GRID |
| 7 | HEATER |
| 8 | CATHODE |

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