

THYRATRON

DESCRIPTION

The GL-2051 is a small, double-grid, inert-gasfilled thyratron designed for grid-control 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-2051 thyratron from a vacuum type phototube.

RECOMMENDED FOR REPLACEMENT ONLY

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

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

GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

Number of electrodes	
Electrical	
Cathode—Indirectly heated type	
Voltage	volts
Current, approx0.6	ampere
Heating time, minimum10	seconds
Peak voltage drop, approx14	volts
Grid resistor*	
Minimum	megohm
Maximum10	megohms
Anode to control-grid capacitance, approx	micromicrofarad
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*When this tube is operated with an alternating anode voltage and a high value of grid-circuit resistance, the grid-anode capacitance should be made as small as possible by placing the grid resistor directly at the socket terminal, by connecting pins 4 and 8 together at the socket, and by using a close fitting bulb shield connected to the cathode terminal.





TECHNICAL INFORMATION (CONT'D)

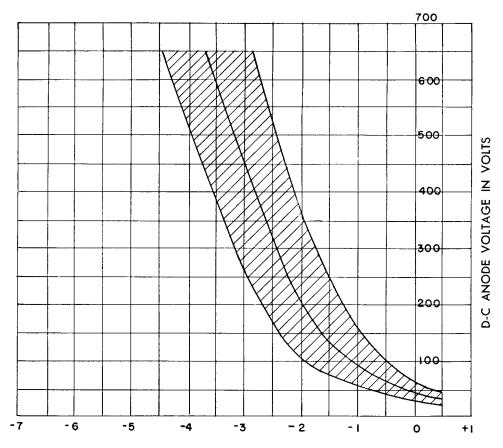
Mechanical

Net weight, approx2	ounces
Shipping weight, approx	pounds
Operating position	Vertical or

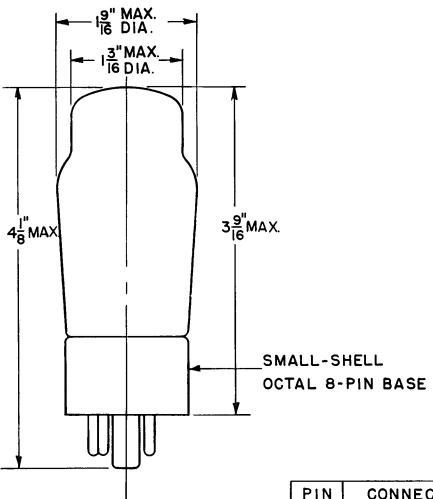
MAXIMUM RATINGS

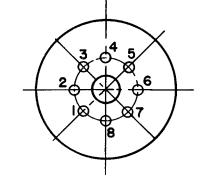
Maximum peak anode voltage	
Inverse700	volts
Forward350	volts
Shield-grid voltage0	volts
Maximum anode current	
Instantaneous	milliamperes
Average	milliamperes
Maximum time of averaging current	seconds

GL-2051 TYPICAL CONTROL CHARACTERISTICS SHADED AREA SHOWS RANGE OF CHARACTERISTICS SHIELD GRID CONNECTED TO CATHODE



D-C CONTROL GRID VOLTAGE AT START OF DISCHARGE IN VOLTS





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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