

HALF-WAVE MERCURY-VAPOR RECTIFIER

GENERAL DATA

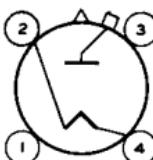
Electrical:

Filament, Coated:	Min.	Ave.	Max.	
Voltage	4.75	5	5.25	ac volts
Current at 5 volts	-	7.5	8	amp
Heating time at rated voltage	30	-	-	sec
Peak Tube Voltage Drop (Approx.)	-	10	-	volts

Mechanical:

Operating Position	Vertical, base down
Overall Length	8-1/4" ± 1/4"
Maximum Diameter	2-5/16"
Weight (Approx.)	7 oz
Bulb	T18
Cap.	Medium (JETEC No.C1-5)
Socket	Johnson No.123-211, or equivalent
Base	Medium-Metal-Shell Jumbo 4-Pin with Bayonet (JETEC No.A4-29)
Basing Designation for BOTTOM VIEW	4AT

Pin 1-No Connection



Pin 3-No Connection

Pin 2-Filament,
Cathode
ShieldPin 4-Filament
Cap-Anode

Temperature Control:

Heating—When the ambient temperature is so low that the normal rise of condensed-mercury temperature above the ambient temperature will not bring the condensed-mercury temperature up to the minimum value of the operating ranges specified under **Maximum Ratings**, some form of heat-conserving enclosure or auxiliary heater will be required.

Cooling—When the operating conditions are such that the maximum value of the operating condensed-mercury-temperature range is exceeded, provision should be made for forced-air cooling sufficient to prevent exceeding the maximum value.

Temperature Rise of Condensed Mercury to Equilibrium

Above Ambient Temperature (Approx.):

No load*	14	°C
Full load▲	19	°C

* With 4.75 volts rms on filament, and no heat-conserving enclosure.

▲ With 5.25 volts rms on filament, average anode current = 1.25 amperes, and no heat-conserving enclosure.

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Maximum Ratings, Absolute Values: For supply frequency of 60 cps

Operating Condensed-Mercury-

Temperature Range*

20° to 70° C 20° to 60° C

PEAK INVERSE ANODE

VOLTAGE	5000 max.	10000 max.	volts
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ANODE CURRENT:

Peak	5 max.	5 max.	amp
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Average#	1.25 max.	1.25 max.	amp
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Fault, for duration of 0.1 second maximum.	50 max.	50 max.	amp
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* Operation at 40° ± 5° C is recommended.

Averaged over any interval of 15 seconds maximum.

OPERATING CONSIDERATIONS

Shields and rf filter circuits should be provided for the 872-A if it is subjected to extraneous high-frequency fields during operation. These fields tend to produce breakdown effects in mercury vapor and are detrimental to tube life and performance. When shields are used, special attention must be given to providing adequate ventilation and to maintaining normal condensed-mercury temperature. Rf filters are employed to prevent damage caused by rf currents which might otherwise be fed back into the rectifier tubes.

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CIRCUIT	MAX. TRANS. SEC. VOLTS (RMS) E	APPROX. DC OUTPUT VOLTS TO FILTER E_{av}	MAX. DC OUTPUT AMPERES I_{av}	MAX. DC OUTPUT KW TO FILTER P_{dc}		
Fig. 1 Half-Wave Single-Phase In-Phase Operation	7000 [□] 3500 [▲]	3200 1600	1.25 1.25	4 2		
Fig. 2 Full-Wave Single-Phase In-Phase Operation	3500 [□] 1700 [▲]	3200 1600	2.5 2.5	8 4		
Fig. 3 Series Single-Phase In-Phase Operation	7000 [□] 3500 [▲]	6400 3200	2.5 2.5	16 8		
Fig. 4 Half-Wave Three-Phase In-Phase Operation	4000 [□] 2000 [▲]	4800 2400	3.75 3.75	18 9		
Fig. 5 Parallel Three-Phase Quadrature Operation	4000 [□] 2000 [▲]	4800 2400	7.5 7.5	36 18		
Fig. 6 Series Three-Phase Quadrature Operation	4000 [□] 2000 [▲]	9600 4800	3.75 3.75	36 18		
Fig. 7 Half-Wave Four-Phase Quadrature Operation	3500 [□] 1700 [▲]	4500 2250	Resis- tive Load 4.5 4.5	Induc- tive Load 5 5	Resis- tive Load 20 10	Induc- tive Load 22.5 11.2
Fig. 8 Half-Wave Six-Phase Quadrature Operation	3500 [□] 1700 [▲]	4800 2400	Resis- tive Load 4.75 4.75	Induc- tive Load 5 5	Resis- tive Load 22.8 11.4	Induc- tive Load 24 12

□ For maximum peak inverse anode voltage of 10000 volts and condensed-mercury-temperature range of 200° to 600° C.

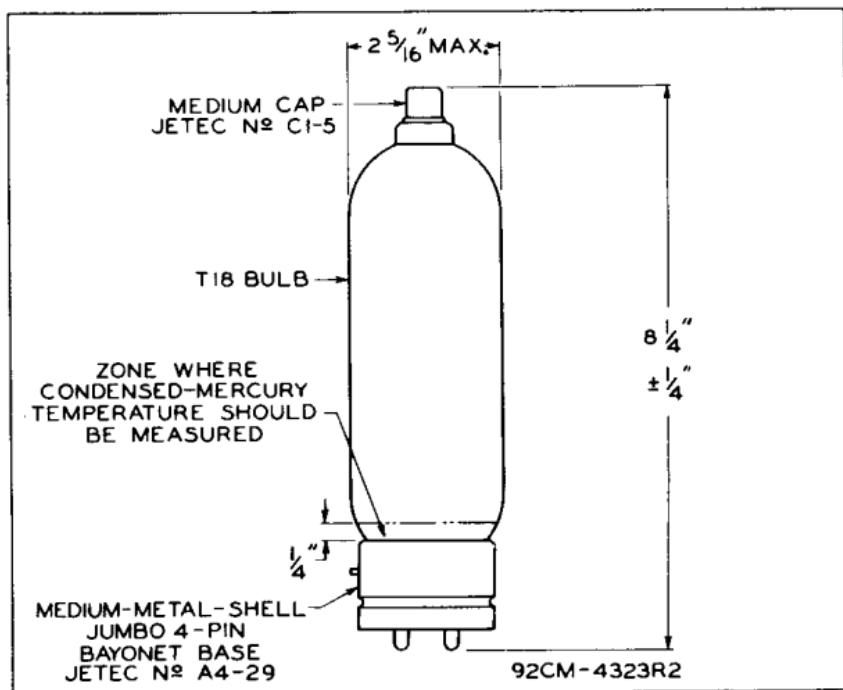
▲ For maximum peak inverse anode voltage of 5000 volts and condensed-mercury-temperature range of 200° to 700° C.

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RATE OF RISE OF CONDENSED-MERCURY TEMPERATURE

