

# HALF-WAVE MERCURY-VAPOR RECTIFIER

GENERAL DATA	ļ
Electrical:	1.
Filament, Coated: Min. Av Voltage 4.75 Current at 5 volts 7. Heating time at	5 5.25 ac volts
rated voltage	sec .0 - volts
Mechanical:	ţ
Overall Length Maximum Diameter Weight (Approx.) Bulb Cap	ertical, base down 8-1/4" ± 1/4" 2-5/16" 7 oz
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tion $X \perp Y$	in 3 - No Connec- tion in 4 - Filament Cap - Anode
Temperature Control:	
Heating—When the ambient temperature is normal rise of condensed-mercury temperature will not bring the temperature up to the minimum value ranges specified under Haximum Ratin heat-conserving enclosure or auxiliar required.	erature above the condensed-mercury of the operating gs, some form of
Cooling—When the operating conditions a maximum value of the operating conder perature range is exceeded, provisio for forced-air cooling sufficient to the maximum value.	nsed-mercury-tem- n should be made
Temperature Rise of Condensed Mercury to Equ Above Ambient Temperature (Approx.): No load*	uilibrium 14 °C 19 °C
with 4.75 volts rms on filament, and no heat-conse with 5.25 volts rms on filament, average anode cur and no heat-conserving enclosure.	
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Maximum Ratings, Absolute Values: For supply frequency of 60 cps

Operating Condensed-Mercury-Temperature Range<sup>®</sup> 20° to 70° C 20° to 60° C

PEAK INVERSE ANODE

ANODE CURRENT:

Peak . . . . . . . 5 max. 5 max. amp

Average\* . . . . . 1.25 max. 1.25 max. amp

Fault, for duration

of 0.1 second maximum. 50 max. 50 max. amp

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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Operation at  $40^{\circ} \pm 5^{\circ}$  C is recommended.



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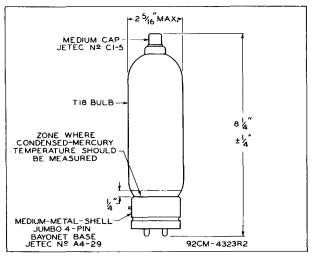
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CIRCUIT	MAX. TRANS. SEC. VOLTS (RMS)	APPROX. DC OUTPUT VOLTS TO FILTER E <sub>av</sub>	MAX. DC OUTPUT AMPERES	MAX. DC OUTPUT KW TO FILTER Pdc	
Fig. 1 Half-Wave Single-Phase In-Phase Operation	7000 <sup>□</sup> 3500 <sup>▲</sup>	3200 1600	1.25 1.25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

For maximum peak inverse anode voltage of 10000 volts and condensedmercury-temperature range of 200 to 600 C.

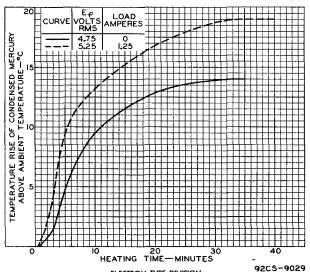
<sup>▲</sup> For maximum peak inverse anode voltage of 5000 volts and condensedmercury-temperature range of 20° to 70° c.

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RATE OF RISE OF CONDENSED-MERCURY TEMPERATURE



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