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RMA TYPE

2C42

The 2C42 is a three-electrode tube of the disk-seal type designed for stable operation as a plate-pulsed oscillator at frequencies up to 1300 megacycles.

GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

Number of Electrodes 3

Electrical

Cathode - Indirectly Heated
Heater Voltage 6.3 Volts
Heater Current 0.9 Amperes

Average Characteristics
Amplification Factor 48
Grid-Plate Transconductance, $I_b = 22$ ma 8000 Micromhos

Direct Interelectrode Capacitances
Grid-Plate 1.7 Micromicrofarads
Grid-Cathode 2.9 Micromicrofarads
Plate-Cathode, maximum 0.05 Micromicrofarads
Cathode R-F Connection - Cathode 100 Micromicrofarads

Mechanical

Type of Cooling - Convection or Forced Air and conduction
Maximum Seal Temperature 200 C
Base Description 6-pin Octal
Mounting Position Any
Net Weight, approximate 3 Ounces
Shipping Weight, approximate 3 Pounds

MAXIMUM RATINGS AND TYPICAL OPERATING CONDITIONS

Power Oscillator - Low Duty Cycle Plate Pulsed

	<u>Typical Operation</u>	<u>Maximum Ratings</u>
Peak Anode Voltage	3000	3000 Volts
Grid Resistance	50	Ohms
D-c Plate Current, average	2.0	Milliamperes
Peak Cathode Current	2.5	4.0 Amperes
Pulse Width	1.0	3.0 Microseconds
Repetition Rate	1000	Pulses per Second
Plate Dissipation	4.25	12 Watts
Peak Power Output, approximate	1750	Watts
Frequency	1050	1300 Megacycles

Power Oscillator - High Duty Cycle Plate Pulsed

	<u>Typical Operation</u>	<u>Maximum Ratings</u> *
Peak Anode Voltage	2000	2000 Volts
Grid Leak Resistance	50	Ohms
D-c Plate Current, average	7.2	Milliamperes
Peak Cathode Current	1.5	1.5 Amperes
Pulse Width	3.0	9.0 Microseconds
Repetition Rate	2000	Pulses per Second
Plate Dissipation	9.9	25 Watts
Peak Power Output, approximate	750	Watts
Frequency	1050	1300 Megacycles

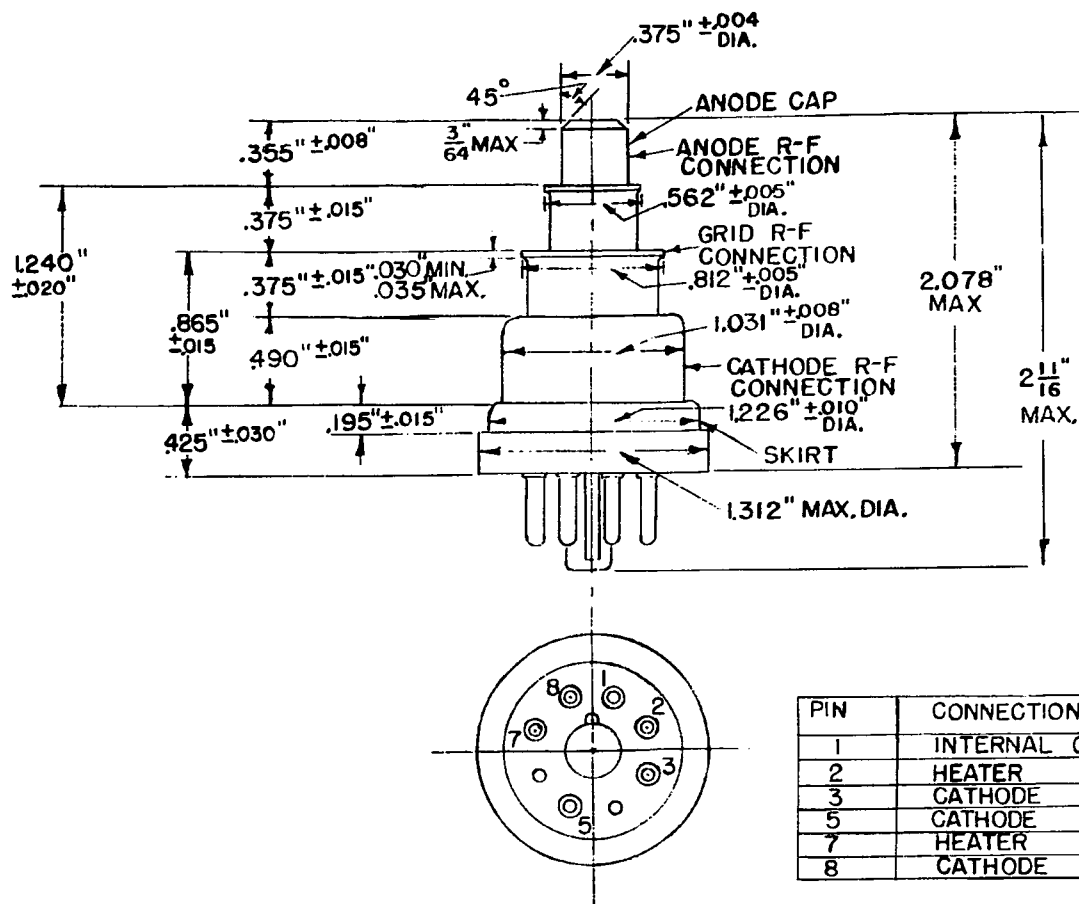
* A useful tube life of approximately 150 hours can be expected at these maximum ratings.

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RMA TYPES

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NOTE 1: GLASS SHALL NOT PROTRUDE BEYOND EDGE OF ANODE R-F CONNECTION OR GRID R-F CONNECTION

NOTE 2: EXPOSED METAL R-F PARTS TO BE PLATED WITH 100 MSI SILVER EXCEPT BASE PINS

NOTE 3: ANODE CAP, GRID R-F CONNECTION, AND CATHODE R-F CONNECTION TO BE CONCENTRIC WITH RESPECT TO EACH OTHER WITHIN $\frac{1}{64}$ IN.