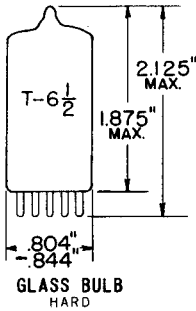


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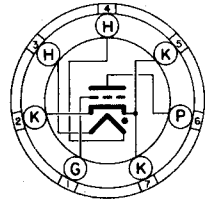
THYRATRON  
MINIATURE TYPE



HEATER

AC OR DC

ANY MOUNTING POSITION



**BOTTOM VIEW**  
SMALL BUTTON MINIATURE  
7 PIN BASE  
7FJ

THE 7240 IS A ZERO BIAS MINIATURE HYDROGEN THYRATRON DESIGNED PRIMARILY FOR THE GENERATION OF PULSE VOLTAGES UNDER EXTREME CONDITIONS OF MECHANICAL VIBRATION. THIS TUBE CAN SUPPLY PEAK PULSE POWER OF 10 KILOWATTS AND THEREFORE WILL REPLACE PHYSICALLY LARGER TYPES IN MANY RADAR APPLICATIONS. BECAUSE OF ITS CLOSE ELECTRODE SPACING AND SMALL SIZE, MADE POSSIBLE BY HARD GLASS CONSTRUCTION, THE 7240 IS CAPABLE OF RELATIVELY HIGH PULSE REPETITION RATES. IN ADDITION ITS 28 VOLT HEATER MAKES IT PARTICULARLY SUITABLE FOR USE WITH AIRBORNE AND MISSILE POWER SUPPLIES. THE 7240 HAS BEEN DESIGNED INTO SOME EQUIPMENT UNDER THE DEVELOPMENTAL DESIGNATION CH-1046.

**ELECTRICAL DATA**

	SYMBOL	MIN.	BOGEY	MAX.	
HEATER VOLTAGE (WHEN $i_p$ IS LESS THAN 0.75 $A_{dc}$ , REFER TO RECOMMENDED HEATER VOLTAGE CURVE)	Ef	26.6	28.0	29.4	VOLTS
HEATER CURRENT (WITH BOGIE HEATER VOLTAGE)	if	0.37	0.42	0.46	AMP
CATHODE HEATING TIME	tk	30			SECONDS
ANODE VOLTAGE DROP (AT RECOMMENDED Ef)	etd	45		125	VOLTS

**MECHANICAL DATA**

TYPE OF COOLING (HEAT DISSIPATING SHIELDS MAY BE USED. FORCED AIR COOLING IS NOT RECOMMENDED.)	CONVECTION
ALTITUDE	SEE APPLICATION NOTES
MOUNTING POSITION	ANY
MAXIMUM NET WEIGHT	0.5 OUNCES
DIMENSIONS	SEE OUTLINE DRAWINGS
MAXIMUM VIBRATION CONDITIONS	50-2000 cps @ 15 g
MAXIMUM SHOCK CONDITIONS (48° HAMMER BLOW IN NAVY FLY WEIGHT, HIGH IMPACT SHOCK MACHINE)	720 G/1MSEC.
MICROSCOPIC INSPECTION PER MIL-E-17751B (N ORD)	SEE APPLICATION NOTES

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RATINGS  
ABSOLUTE VALUES

	SYMBOL	MIN.	MAX.	
PEAK ANODE VOLTAGE				
INVERSE (NOTE 1)	epx	---	1200	VOLTS
FORWARD	epy	300	1200	VOLTS
CATHODE CURRENT				
PEAK	ib		20.0	AMP.
AVERAGE	lb		50	MA.
RMS (FOR SQUARE PULSE APPLICATIONS)				
$I_p = \sqrt{I_b \times i_b}$	lp		1.0	AMP.
DC ANODE VOLTAGE	Ebb	300		VOLTS
HEATER-CATHODE VOLTAGE	Ehk	-100	+25	VOLTS
OPERATING FREQUENCY				
(THIS IS NOT NECESSARILY THE UPPER OPERATING FREQUENCY LIMIT BUT REPRESENTS THE HIGHEST REPETITION RATE EXTENSIVELY LIFE TESTED TO DATE.)	prr		5000	CPS
PEAK GRID VOLTAGE				
(SEE RECOMMENDED GRID PULSE CONDITIONS.)	egy	175	500	VOLTS
PEAK INVERSE GRID VOLTAGE	egx		150	VOLTS
HEATING FACTOR (epy x ib x prr.)	Pb		$1 \times 10^8$	
CURRENT RATE OF RISE (NOTE 2)			400	AMP/μSEC.
ANODE DELAY TIME (NOTE 3)	tad		0.6	μSEC.
TIME JITTER (NOTE 4)	tj		.005	μSEC.
AMBIENT TEMPERATURE	TA	-60	+125	°C

## NOTES

<sup>1</sup> IN PULSED OPERATION, THE PEAK INVERSE VOLTAGE, EXCLUSIVE OF A SPIKE OF 0.05 μSEC. MAXIMUM DURATION, SHALL NOT EXCEED 500 VOLTS DURING THE FIRST 25 μSEC, FOLLOWING THE ANODE PULSE.

<sup>2</sup> MEASUREMENT MADE BETWEEN 25% AND 70.7% POINTS.

<sup>3</sup> ANODE DELAY TIME IS DEFINED AS THE TIME INTERVAL BETWEEN THE POINT ON THE RISING PORTION OF THE GRID VOLTAGE PULSE WHICH IS 25 PERCENT OF THE MAXIMUM UNLOADED PULSE AMPLITUDE AND THE POINT WHERE ANODE CONDUCTION TAKES PLACE.

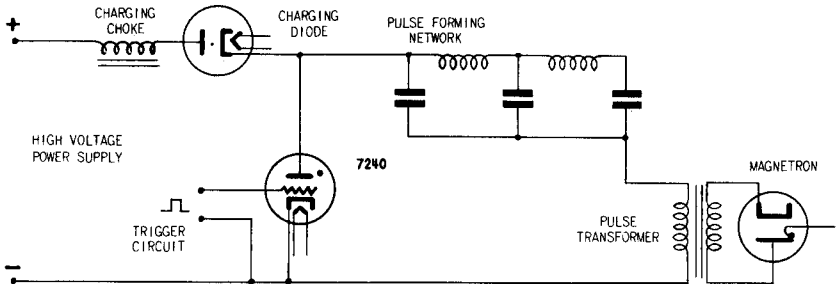
<sup>4</sup> TIME JITTER IS MEASURED AT 50 PERCENT OF THE PULSE AMPLITUDE AFTER THE TUBE HAS BEEN OPERATING FOR AT LEAST 40 SECONDS. THE LIMIT OF 0.005 μSEC. SHOWN IS THE MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE UNDER SPECIFIED UNFAVORABLE OPERATING CONDITIONS. WITH SUFFICIENT GRID DRIVE AND WITH ANODE VOLTAGES OF 600 VOLTS AND ABOVE, JITTER NOT EXCEEDING 0.005 μSEC. CAN BE EASILY ACHIEVED.

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## APPLICATION NOTES

THIS MINIATURE HYDROGEN THYRATRON IS DESIGNED PRIMARILY FOR USE IN LINE TYPE RADAR MODULATORS. A BASIC CIRCUIT FOR SUCH SERVICE IS ILLUSTRATED BELOW. IN SUCH A CIRCUIT, THE HYDROGEN THYRATRON SERVES AS A SWITCH TO RELEASE INTO THE MAGNETRON OR OTHER RADIO FREQUENCY GENERATOR, THE ENERGY STORED IN THE PULSE FORMING NETWORK. THIS TUBE IS ADMIRABLY SUITED FOR SUCH SERVICE BY ITS ABILITY TO HOLD OFF RELATIVELY HIGH VOLTAGE, AND TO PASS HIGH PEAK CURRENT WITH RELATIVELY LOW TUBE VOLTAGE DROP. THE TUBE WILL OPERATE OVER A WIDE RANGE OF PULSE REPETITION RATES, PULSE WIDTHS AND PEAK CURRENTS, THUS PROVIDING A VERY FLEXIBLE CIRCUIT ELEMENT. TRIGGERING REQUIREMENTS ARE SIMPLIFIED SINCE THE TUBE OPERATES WITH ZERO BIAS.



THE SMALL SIZE, LIGHT WEIGHT, EXTREME RUGGEDNESS, AND ABILITY TO OPERATE AT HIGH AMBIENT TEMPERATURES, MAKES THIS TUBE PARTICULARLY SUITABLE FOR AIRBORNE USE. THE TUBE CAN BE OPERATED IN ANY POSITION. THE 7240 IS TESTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH MIL-E-17751B (N ORD), THE MILITARY SPECIFICATION FOR ELECTRON TUBES FOR GUIDED MISSILES. THIS ENTAILS 100% MICROSCOPIC INSPECTION WITH A 40 POWER BINOCULAR MICROSCOPE FOR SUCH ITEMS AS SEALS, LEADS AND SPOT WELDS. SAMPLE TUBES ARE VIBRATED WITH VOLTAGES APPLIED OVER A RANGE OF 50 TO 2000 TO SOCP'S AT 15G IN FOUR MINUTES.

THE 7240 FITS A STANDARD 7 PIN MINIATURE SOCKET. THE TUBE PINS, HOWEVER, ARE STIFF, AND CARE SHOULD BE TAKEN TO HAVE THE SOCKET CLIPS IN PERFECT ALIGNMENT BEFORE ATTEMPTING TO INSERT A TUBE. AS THE TUBE OPERATES AT HIGH TEMPERATURES, A CERAMIC TYPE SOCKET SHOULD BE EMPLOYED. CONNECTIONS TO THE SOCKET SHOULD BE MADE WITH FLEXIBLE LEADS TO PROVIDE FLOATING ACTION FOR THE SOCKET CLIPS. PIN STRAIGHTENERS SHOULD NEVER BE USED ON THIS TUBE TYPE, AS ANY ATTEMPT TO BEND THE PINS WILL RESULT IN CRACKED BUTTON BASES.

THE NOMINAL ALTITUDE RATING FOR THE 7240 IS 10,000 FEET. HOWEVER, IF PROVISION IS MADE TO PREVENT ARC-OVER BETWEEN PINS, THIS TYPE WILL OPERATE AT 80,000 FEET. ONE METHOD OF PREVENTING ARC-OVER BETWEEN PINS IS TO POT THE BASE END OF THE TUBE. IF THE ENTIRE ENVELOPE IS TO BE POTTED, HOWEVER, PRECAUTION MUST BE TAKEN TO KEEP BULB TEMPERATURE BELOW 225°C.

CATHODE TEMPERATURE IS DETERMINED BY RMS CATHODE CURRENT AS WELL AS BY HEATER POWER. THE BOGEY HEATER VOLTAGE OF 28.0 VOLTS THEREFORE IS APPLICABLE ONLY NEAR FULL OPERATING CONDITIONS. AT LIGHT LOADING IT IS RECOMMENDED TO OPERATE THE HEATER VOLTAGE HIGHER. RECOMMENDED FIGURES FOR VARIOUS OPERATING CONDITIONS ARE SHOWN ON THE CURVES.

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**TYPICAL OPERATION**

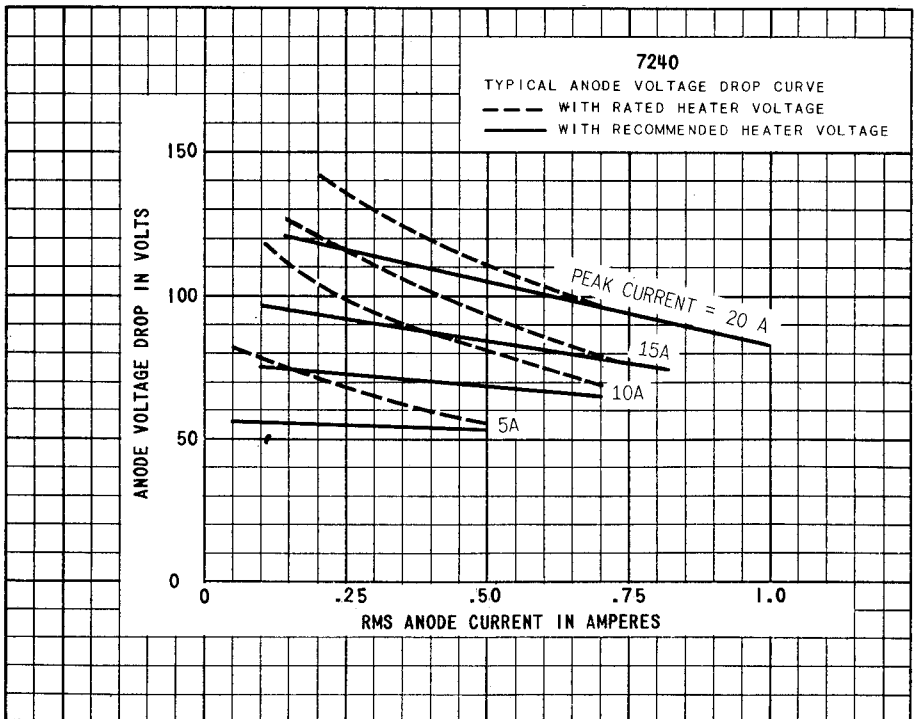
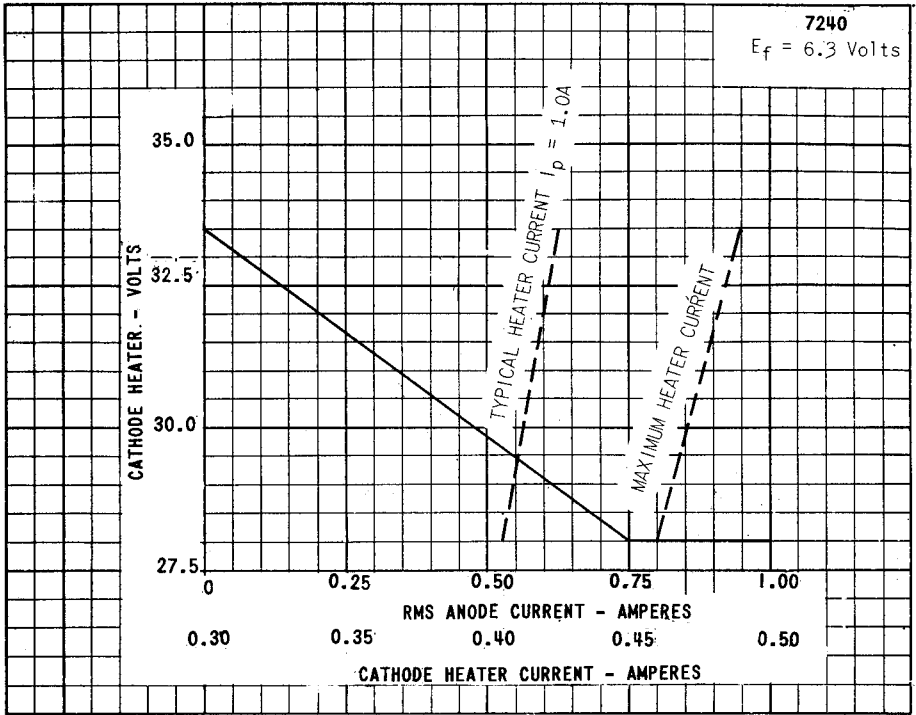
PRR (pps)	ANODE CURRENT			PEAK ANODE VOLTAGE VOLTS	PULSE WIDTH $\mu$ sec	GRID DRIVE	
	PEAK (Amps)	RMS Amps AC	AVG. mA d.c.			$\mu$ sec	VOLTS
5000	20.0	1.0	50.	1000	0.5	1.0	250
10000	6.6	0.5	37.	316	0.56	2.0	250
33000*	3.5	0.46	60.	350	0.5	BLOCKING OSCILLATOR	200

\* LIMITED TEST INFORMATION.

**RECOMMENDED GRID PULSE VALUES**

	MIN.	MAX.	
PEAK VOLTAGE	200	500	VOLTS
DRIVER CIRCUIT IMPEDANCE	200	1000	OHMS
VOLTAGE RATE OF RISE PER $\mu$ SEC.	350		VOLTS

THESE VALUES ARE AS MEASURED AT THE TUBE SOCKET WITH THE THYRATRON REMOVED. THE GRID PULSE WIDTH SHOULD NOT BE LONGER THAN THE ANODE PULSE EXCEPT IN CASES WHERE THE DRIVER CIRCUIT IMPEDANCE IS HIGH. THE MINIMUM PEAK TRIGGER VOLTAGE RECOMMENDED WILL INCREASE WITH DECREASING TRIGGER PULSE WIDTH. HOWEVER, THIS EFFECT IS IMPORTANT ONLY AT PULSE WIDTHS LESS THAN 0.5 MICROSECONDS.



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