# **Vidicon**

1-Inch Diameter
Magnetic Focus Magnetic Deflection
High-Resolution Type Having High Sensitivity and Low Lag
For Live Scene and Film Pickup in Black-and-White
and Color TV Cameras
The 8507A is unilaterally interchangeable with the 8507
GENERAL
Heater, for Unipotential Cathode:
Voltage (AC or DC) 6.3 $\pm$ 10% V
Current at 6.3 volts 0.6 A
Direct Interelectrode Capacitance:
Target to all other electrodes 4.6 pF
Spectral Response See Typical Spectral Sensitivity Characteristic
Photoconductive Layer:
Maximum useful diagonal of
rectangular image (4 x 3
aspect ratio) 0.62 in
Orientation of quality rectangle—Proper orientation is ob-
tained when the horizontal scan is essentially parallel to the straight sides of the masked portions of the face-
plate. The straight sides are parallel to the plane passing
through the tube axis and short index pin. The masking is
for orientation only and does not define the proper scanned
area of the photoconductive layer.
Focusing Method Magnetic Deflection Method Magnetic
Overall Length 6.250" ± 0.125"
Greatest Diameter
Bulb
Base Small-Button Ditetrar 8-Pin,
(JEDEC No.E8-11)
Socket Cinch No.54A18088, or equivalent
Deflecting Yoke-Focusing Coil-
Alignment Coil Assembly Cleveland Electronics c, d
No.VYFA-355-2, or equivalent
Operating Position Any
Weight (Approx.)
ABSOLUTE-MAXIMUM RATINGS
For scanned area of $1/2^{11} \times 3/8^{11}$
Grid-No.4 Voltage V
Grid-No.3 Voltage V
Grid-No.2 Voltage
Grid-No.1 Voltage:
Negative bias value
Positive bias value 0 max. V

Peak Heater-Cathode Voltage:				
Heater negative with				
respect to cathode	125 max.	V		
Heater positive with	-			
respect to cathode	10 max.	v		
Target Voltage	100 max.	V		
Dark Current		ιÀ		
Peak Target Current <sup>9</sup>	· ·	ιA		
Faceplate:	•			
Illumination <sup>h</sup>	5000 max.	fc		
Temperature		C		
TYPICAL OPERATION AND PERFOR				
For scanned area of $1/2^{11} \times 3/8^{11}$				
Faceplate temperature of 30°	to 35° C			
and Standard TV Scanning F	Rate			
Low- H	ligh-			
Voltage Vo	oltage			
	1 ode			
Grid-No.4 (Decelerator)				
Voltage <sup>†</sup> 500	900	V		
Grid-No.3 (Beam-Focus				
Electrode) Voltage <sup>†</sup> 300	540	V		
Grid-No.2 (Accelerator)				
Voltage 300	300	V		
Grid-No.1 Voltage for				
Picture Cutoff <sup>i</sup> 65 to —6	35 to	V		
<b>100</b>	-100			
Average "Gamma" of				
Transfer Characteristic				
for signal-output current				
between 0.02 µA and				
	0.65			
Visual Equivalent Signal-				
to-Noise Ratio				
(Approx.) k 300:1 3	800:1			
Lag-Per Cent of Initial				
Value of Signal-Output				
Current 1/20 Second				
After Illumination is				
Removed m 20	20	%		
Minimum Peak-to-Peak				
Blanking Voltage:				
When applied to grid				
No.1 75	75	V		
When applied to		-		
cathode 20	20	V		
		•		

Limiting Resolution:	mr. I.			
At center of picture 1000 1100	TV lines			
At corner of picture 600 700	TV lines			
Amplitude Response to				
a 400 TV Line Square —				
Wave Test Pattern at				
Center of Picture <sup>n</sup> 50 60	%			
Field Strength at Center	~			
of Focusing Coil <sup>p</sup> $40\pm 4$ $58\pm 4$	G			
Peak Deflecting-Coil				
Current:				
Horizontal 180 250	mA			
Vertical	mA			
Field Strength of				
Adjustable Alignment				
$\operatorname{Coil}^{\mathbf{q}} \dots \dots \dots \dots 0 \text{ to } 4$ 0 to 4	G			
High-Sensitivity Operation —				
0.1 Footcandle on Faceplate				
•				
Faceplate Illumination	_			
(Highlight) 0.1	fc			
Target Voltage <sup>r, s</sup>	V			
Dark Current 0.10	μΑ			
Signal-Output Current:				
Typical 0.1	μΑ			
Average-Sansitivity Operation				
Average-Sensitivity Operation —  1.0 Footcandle on Faceplate				
-				
Faceplate Illumination	•			
(Highlight) 1.0	fc			
Target Voltage <sup>r, s</sup>	V			
Dark Current 0.02	μΑ			
Signal-Output Current: "				
Typical 0.2	μΑ			
High-Light Level Operation -				
10 Footcandles on Faceplate				
Faceplate Illumination				
(Highlight) 10	fc			
Target Voltage <sup>r, s</sup>	V			
Dark Current 0.005	μΑ			
Signal-Output Current: U				
Typical 0.3	μА			

- <sup>a</sup> This capacitance, which effectively is the output impedance of the 8507A, is increased when the tube is mounted in the deflecting-yoke and focusing-coil assembly. The resistive component of the output impedance is in the order of 100 megohms.
- b Made by Cinch Manufacturing Corporation, 1026 S. Homan Avenue, Chicago 24, Illinois.
- Made by Cleveland Electronics Inc., 2000 Highland Road, Twinsburg, Ohio 44087
- d These components are chosen to provide tube operation with minimum beam-landing error when mounted in the recommended position along the tube axis.
- Grid-No.4 voltage must always be greater than grid-No.3 voltage. The maximum voltage difference between these electrodes, however, should not exceed 600 volts. The recommended ratio of grid-No.3 to grid-No.4 voltage is 6/10 to 5/10; best geometry being provided when the ratio is 6/10, and most uniform signal output when the ratio is 5/10. The operator should select the ratio within this range which provides the desired performance.
- 9 Video amplifiers must be designed properly to handle target currents of this magnitude to avoid amplifier overload or picture distortion.
- h For conditions where "white light" is uniformly diffused over entire tube face.
- i With no blanking voltage on grid No.1.
- k Measured with high-gain, low-noise, cascode-input-type amplifier having bandwidth of 5 MHz and a peak signal-output current of 0.35 microampere. Because the noise in such a system is predominately of the high-frequency type, the visual equivalent signal-to-noise ratio is taken as the ratio of the highlight video-signal current to rms noise current, multiplied by a factor of 3.
- m For initial signal-output current of 0.3 microampere and a dark current of 0.02 microampere.
- n Amplitude response is the signal amplitude from a given TV line number (fine picture detail) expressed as a percent of the signal amplitude from a very-low-frequency (large-



area) picture element. In practice, the large-detail reference is usually 15 TV lines with signal amplitude set equal to 100 per cent. The TV line numbers are determined by the number of equal-width black and white lines that will fit into the physical height of the image focused on the cameratube faceplate.

- P The polarity of the focusing coil should be such that a north-seeking pole is attracted to the image end of the focusing coil, with the indicator located outside of and at the image end of the focusing coil.
- The alignment coil should be located on the tube so that its center is at a distance of 3-11/16 inches from the face of the tube, and be positioned so that its axis is coincident with the axis of the tube, the deflecting yoke, and the focusing coil.
- The target voltage for each 8507A must be adjusted to that value which gives the desired operating dark current.
- <sup>5</sup> Indicated range for each type of service serves only to illustrate the operating target-voltage range normally encountered.
- <sup>†</sup> The deflecting circuits must provide extremely linear scanning for good black-level reproduction. Dark-current signal is proportional to the scanning velocity. Any change in scanning velocity produces a black-level error in direct proportion to the change in scanning velocity.
- U Defined as the component of the highlight target current after the dark-current component has been subtracted.

## BASING DIAGRAM (Bottom View) 8ME

Pin 1: Heater

Pin 2: Grid No.1 Pin 3: Grid No.4

Pin 4: Internal Connection —
Do Not Use

Pin 5: Grid No.2

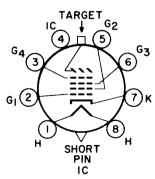
Pin 6: Grid No.3

Pin 7: Cathode Pin 8: Heater

Flange: Target

Short Index Pin — Internal Connection —

Make No Connection



DIRECTION OF LIGHT: INTO FACE END OF TUBE



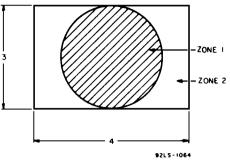


Fig. 1

This test is performed using a uniformly diffused white test pattern that is separated into two zones as shown in Fig.1. The 8507A is operated under the conditions specified under Typical Operation and Performance Data with the lens adjusted to provide a target current of 0.3 microampere. The tubes are adjusted to provide maximum picture resolution. Spurious signals are evaluated by size which is represented by equivalent numbers of raster lines in a 525 TV line system. Allowable spot size for each zone is shown in Table 1. To be classified as a spot, a contrast ratio of 1.5:1 must exist for white spots and 2:1 for black spots. Smudges, streaks, or mottled and grainy background must have a contrast ratio of 1.5:1 to constitute a reject item.

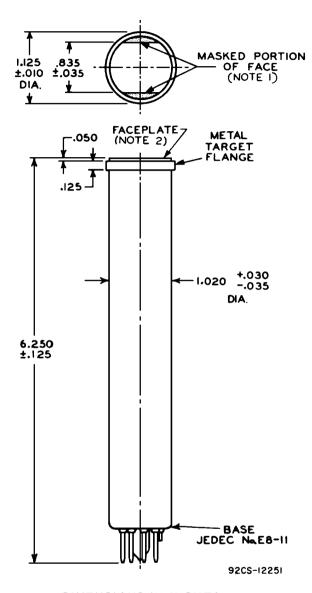
Table 1
For scanned area of 1/2" x 3/8"

Equivalent Number of Raster Lines	Zone 1 Allowed Spots	Zone 2 Allowed Spots
over 4	0	0
4 but not including 3	0	1
3 but not including 1	2	3
1 or less	•	

Minimum separation between any 2 spots greater than 1 raster line is limited to 16 raster lines.

Spots of this size are allowed unless concentration causes a smudged appearance.

#### DIMENSIONAL OUTLINE

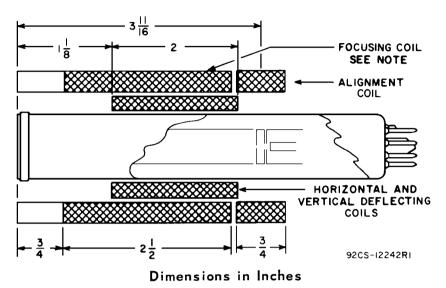


#### **DIMENSIONS IN INCHES**

- Note 1: Straight sides of masked portions are parallel to the plane passing through tube axis and short index pin.
- Note 2: Faceplate glass is Corning No.7056 having a thickness of 0.094" ± 0.012".

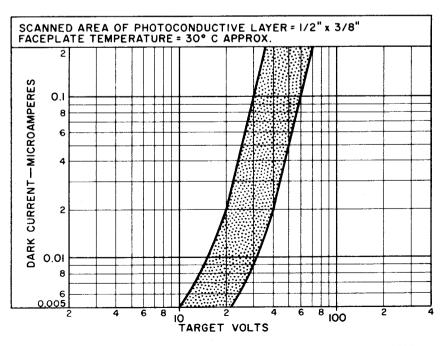
## RECOMMENDED LOCATION AND LENGTH OF DEFLECT-ING, FOCUSING, AND ALIGNMENT COMPONENTS

To obtain minimum beam-landing error



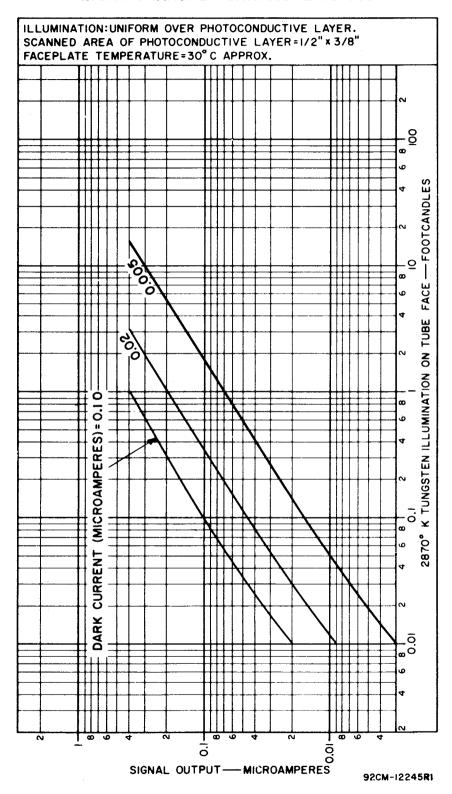
Note: Cross-hatching indicates wound portion of focusing coil.

## RANGE OF DARK CURRENT

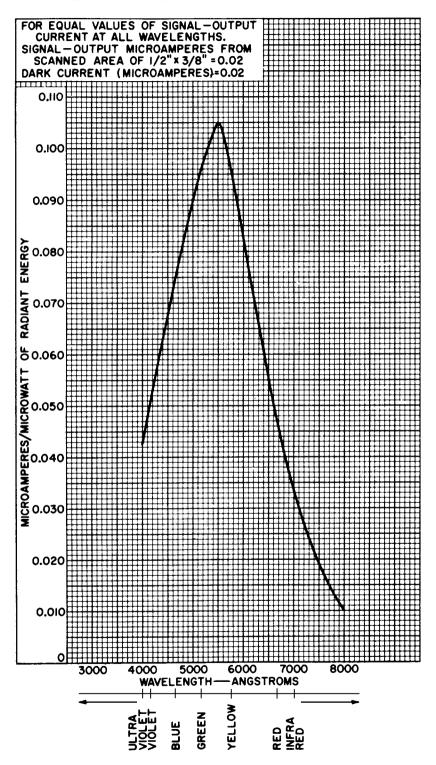


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#### LIGHT TRANSFER CHARACTERISTICS

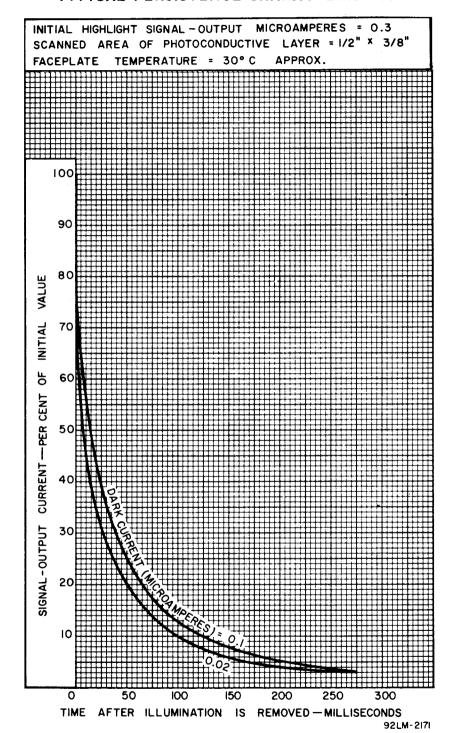


## TYPICAL SPECTRAL SENSITIVITY CHARACTERISTIC

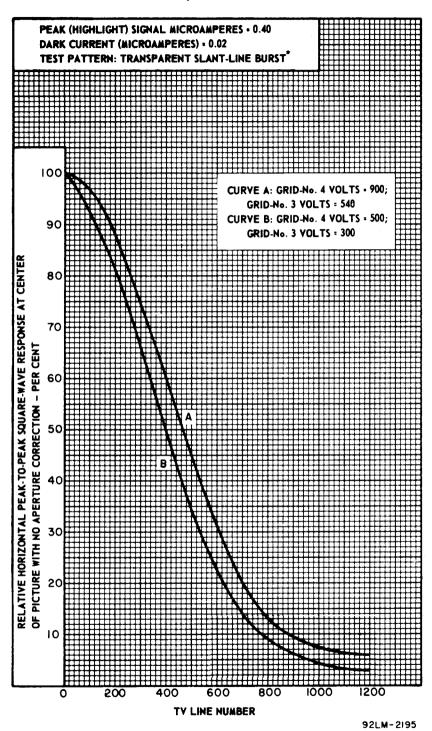


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## TYPICAL PERSISTENCE CHARACTERISTICS



## HORIZONTAL SQUARE-WAVE RESPONSE



<sup>\*</sup>Amplitude response measured using the RCA P200 slant-line burst pattern with horizontal center response balanced on the 400 line chevrons.

