Toshiba 4G48P/5948 is a hydrogen thyratron for switching service in radar modulator and other pulse applications. It is capable of switching a peak power of 12 MW at an average power of 12 kW.

4G48P/5948 has a hydrogen reservoir which assures freedom from failure due to gas clean-up. The reservoir compensates for the gas consumed during operation and permits the user to adjust the pressure within the tube to the most suitable value for the particular application.

**GENERAL DATA**

**ELECTRICAL:**

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MECHANICAL:

Dimensions: ........................................ See Outline Drawing
  Overall Length .................................. 400 ± 13 mm
  Maximum Diameter ............................... 154 mm

Base Number:
  Cap .............................................. A14S (JEDEC No. C1-5)
  Base ........................................... See Outline Drawing

Recommended Socket:
  Cap ............................................. Toshiba VT-29061
  Base Connections .............................. See Outline Drawing
  Colling ....................................... Convection
  Mounting Position ............................ Vertical, Base down
  Net Weight (Approx.) ......................... 2000 g

RATINGS

ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM:

Maximum Peak Anode Voltage (3):
  Inverse ........................................ 25,000 V
  Forward ........................................ 5% epym ≤ 25,000 V

Minimum Supply Voltage ........................... 5,000 V

Negative Grid Voltage (Before Conduction) ....... 650 V

Maximum Anode Current:
  Peak ............................................ 1,000 A
  Average ......................................... 1 A
  RMS (4) ......................................... 30 A
  Averaging Time ................................. 1 cycle

Maximum Rate of Rise of Anode Current .......... 5,000 A/μs

Pulse Repeating Rate (prr)(5) ..................... 1,500 pps

Operation Factor (6) ............................... 9x10⁹

Pulse Duration .................................... 6 us

Ambient Temperature Limits ....................... -90 ~ +75 °C

Altitude ........................................... 3,000 m

GRID DRIVE (7):

Grid Trigger Voltage (Peak) ....................... -700 ~ 1,000 V

Maximum Rise Time ................................ 0.35 μs

Minimum Grid Pulse Duration ..................... 2 μs

Grid Drive Circuit Impedance ..................... 50 ~ 200 Ω
Notes (1) The optimum reservoir voltage for operation at maximum tube voltage, maximum peak and average tube currents, and at a repetition corresponding to the rated operation factor is inscribed on the base of the tube and must be held within ±5 percent. Applications involving operation at other conditions will necessitate the redetermination of the optimum reservoir voltage.

(2) Cooling anode lead by forced convection permissible, but there shall be no air blast directly on the bulb.

(3) Instantaneous starting is not recommended. However, in case where it is necessary to apply anode voltage instantaneously, the maximum permissible forward starting voltage is 18,000 volts peak. The power-supply filter should be designed to limit the rate of application of this voltage to 450,000 volts per second.

The minimum inverse anode voltage permissible is 5 percent of the peak forward voltage and the maximum is 5000 volts during the first 25 microseconds following the anode pulse exclusive of a spike of 0.05 microsecond maximum duration.

(4) The root mean square anode current shall be computed as the square root of the product of peak current (ib) and the average current (Ib), i.e.

\[ I_{rms} = \sqrt{ib \times Ib} \]

(5) \( prr \) (pulse repetiting rate) depends on both peak forward anode voltage epy (V) and peak anode current ib (A). The figure given above in an example of epy and ib against maximum ratings.
Actually, the design should be made within the limit of \(\text{epy} \times \text{prr(pps)} \times \text{ib(A)} \leq \text{Operation Factor}\).

(6) \[\text{Operation factor} = \text{epy (peak forward anode voltage)} \times \text{ib (peak anode current)} \times \text{prr (pulse repetition rate)}\]

(7) Driver pulse measured at tube socket with the thyratron grid disconnected.

**GENERAL OPERATIONAL RECOMMENDATION**

1. **High Voltage**

Operating voltages for power tubes range from several hundred volts to higher than 50,000 volts. Since these voltages can be deadly, equipment must be designed so that one can not come in contact with high voltage.

2. **X-RAY Radiation**

High-vacuum tubes operating at voltage higher than 10 kilovolts produce progressively more dangerous X-ray radiation as the voltage is increased. X-ray shielding must be provided on all sides of tubes which operate above 10 kilovolts, to provide adequate protection through the tube's life. If there is any doubt as to the adequacy of shielding, an expert in this field should be contacted to perform an X-ray survey of the equipment.

3. **High Temperature**

Don't come in contact with the vacuum tubes, not only the period of the operation but also immediately after the removal of all tubes voltages because the temperature of the tube during the operation often exceeds 200°C.
**DIMENSIONAL OUTLINE**

Unit: mm

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