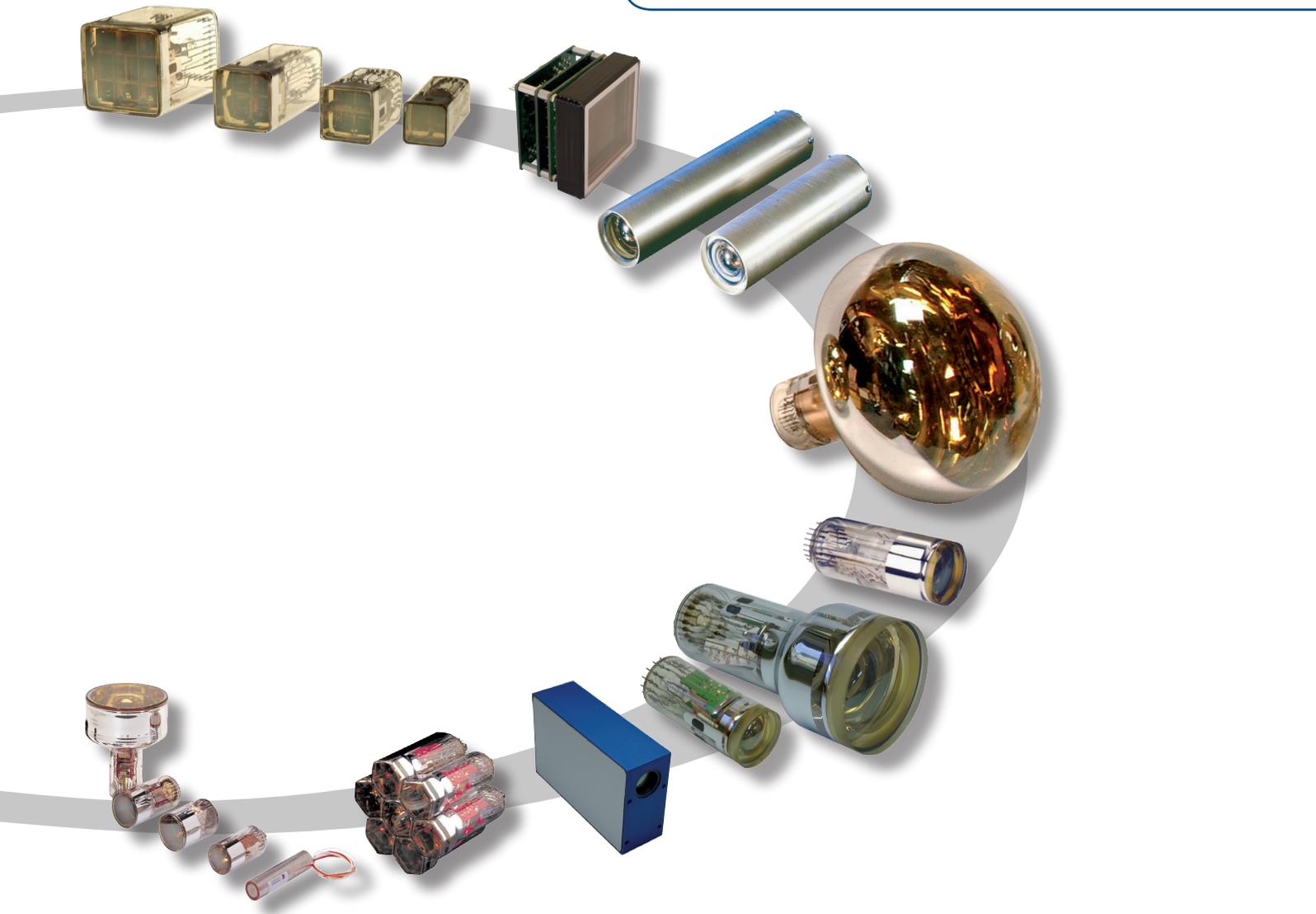


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		✓	✓	XP1308	13 mm	○	10-stage	UV-sensitive, quartz window	→			✓			35
NEW		✓	✓	XP1322	13 mm	○	10-stage	low-profile	→	⚡		✓			35
NEW		✓		XP1322PC	13 mm	○	10-stage	low-profile, photon counting	→	⚡		✓			35
NEW		✓	✓	XP1362	13 mm	○	6-stage		→			✓			35
NEW		✓	✓	XP1382	13 mm	○	8-stage		→			✓			35
	✓			XP1422	25 mm	□	11-stage	2-channel	✓						67
	✓	✓	✓	XP1452	38 mm	□	11-stage	4-channel, individual channel gain adjustment	✓						67
			✓	XP1802	230 mm	⤿	11-stage		⇨			✓			69
			✓	XP1803	130 mm	⤿	11-stage		⇨			✓			69
			✓	XP1804	270 mm	⤿	11-stage		⇨			✓			70
			✓	XP1805	230 mm	⤿	8-stage		⇨			✓			70
			✓	XP1806	203 mm	⤿	11-stage		⇨			✓			71
			✓	XP1807	300 mm	⤿	11-stage		⇨			✓			71
	✓		✓	XP1911	19 mm	○	10-stage		→					✓	36
			✓	XP1911UV	19 mm	○	10-stage	UV-sensitive	→					✓	36
	✓		✓	XP1912	19 mm	○	10-stage		✓	→		✓	✓		36
			✓	XP1918	19 mm	○	10-stage	UV-sensitive, quartz window							36
			✓	XP1921	19 mm	○	6-stage	green-sensitive	→						36
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		✓	✓	XP2012	39 mm	○	10-stage							✓	43
		✓		XP2013	39 mm	○	10-stage	red-sensitive						✓	43
		✓		XP2015	39 mm	○	10-stage	infrared-sensitive						✓	43
		✓		XP2016	39 mm	○	10-stage	high-temperature						✓	43
		✓		XP2017	39 mm	○	10-stage	extended-red-sensitive						✓	43
		✓		XP2018	39 mm	○	10-stage	UV-sensitive, quartz window						✓	43
			✓	XP2020	51 mm	○	12-stage		→			✓	✓		47
			✓	XP2020Q	51 mm	○	12-stage	UV-sensitive, quartz window	→			✓	✓		47
			✓	XP2020UR	51 mm	○	12-stage	ultra fast	→			✓	✓		47
			✓	XP2020URQ	51 mm	○	12-stage	UV-sensitive, quartz window, ultra fast	→			✓	✓		47
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	✓			XP2042	39 mm	○	10-stage		✓			✓	✓		44
	✓			XP2060	39 mm	○	10-stage		✓			✓			44
		✓		XP2062	39 mm	○	10-stage	15 pins foot base	✓		⚡	✓			44
NEW		✓		XP20620	39 mm	○	10-stage				⚡	✓			44
		✓		XP2072	39 mm	○	10-stage							✓	45
	✓		✓	XP2090	39 mm	○	10-stage		→						45
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NEW	✓	✓	✓	XP20H0	51 mm	○	10-stage	double anode	✓	→		✓			47
		✓		XP2202	51 mm	○	10-stage								48
		✓		XP2203	51 mm	○	10-stage	red-sensitive							48
		✓		XP2220	51 mm	○	12-stage	high detection efficiency	⇨	⚡		✓			48
			✓	XP2242	51 mm	○	6-stage		⇨					✓	48
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	✓			XP2802	19 mm	○	10-stage		✓		⚡	✓			37
NEW		✓		XP2802PC	19 mm	○	10-stage	photon counting	✓		⚡	✓			37
		✓	✓	XP2812	19 mm	○	10-stage		⇨	⚡		✓			37
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NEW		✓	✓	XP2882	19 mm	○	8-stage		⇨						37

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			✓	XP2972	29 mm	○	10-stage			⇒					42
			✓	XP2978	29 mm	○	10-stage	UV-sensitive, quartz window		⇒					42
NEW	✓			XP3060	39 mm	○	7-stage			➔					46
			✓	XP3062	40 mm	⬡	8-stage	cosmic-ray air shower telescope PMT						✓	74
			✓	XP3100	25 mm	○	10-stage	UV-sensitive		⇒					38
NEW	✓			XP31000D	51 mm	○	12-stage	ruggedized, high temperature		⇒			✓		50
NEW	✓			XP31000C	51 mm	○	12-stage	ruggedized, high temperature		⇒			✓		50
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			✓	XP3108	25 mm	○	10-stage	UV-sensitive, quartz window		⇒					38
NEW	✓			XP3110	25 mm	○	10-stage	low-profile		⇒	⚡				38
NEW	✓			XP3110PC	25 mm	○	10-stage	photon counting		⇒	⚡				38
				XP3132	25 mm	○	10-stage								38
			✓	XP3162	25 mm	○	6-stage	low-profile		⇒					39
			✓	XP3182	25 mm	○	8-stage	low-profile		⇒					39
		✓	✓	XP31S2	25 mm	⬤	10-stage	low-profile		⇒					39
NEW	✓	✓		XP31SF	25 mm	⬤	10-stage	low-profile, flying-leads		⇒	⚡				39
	✓	✓		XP3212	51 mm	○	8-stage		✓						51
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	✓			XP3312	76 mm	○	8-stage		✓						55
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			✓	XP3462	76 mm	○	8-stage			⇒				✓	56
			✓	XP3468	76 mm	○	8-stage	UV-sensitive, quartz window		⇒				✓	56
		✓		XP3540	130 mm	○	10-stage		✓		⚡		✓		61
		✓		XP35K0	130 mm	○	10-stage		✓		⚡		✓		61
	✓			XP3612	60 mm	○	8-stage		✓						54
	✓			XP3672	60 mm	⬡	8-stage		✓						64
	✓			XP3712	90 mm	○	8-stage		✓						59
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			✓	XP4318	76 mm	○	12-stage	UV-sensitive, quartz window		⇒			✓	✓	56
NEW			✓	XP4362	76 mm	○	6-stage			⇒					56
			✓	XP4372	76 mm	○	8-stage			⇒				✓	56
			✓	XP4392	76 mm	○	10-stage			⇒			✓	✓	56

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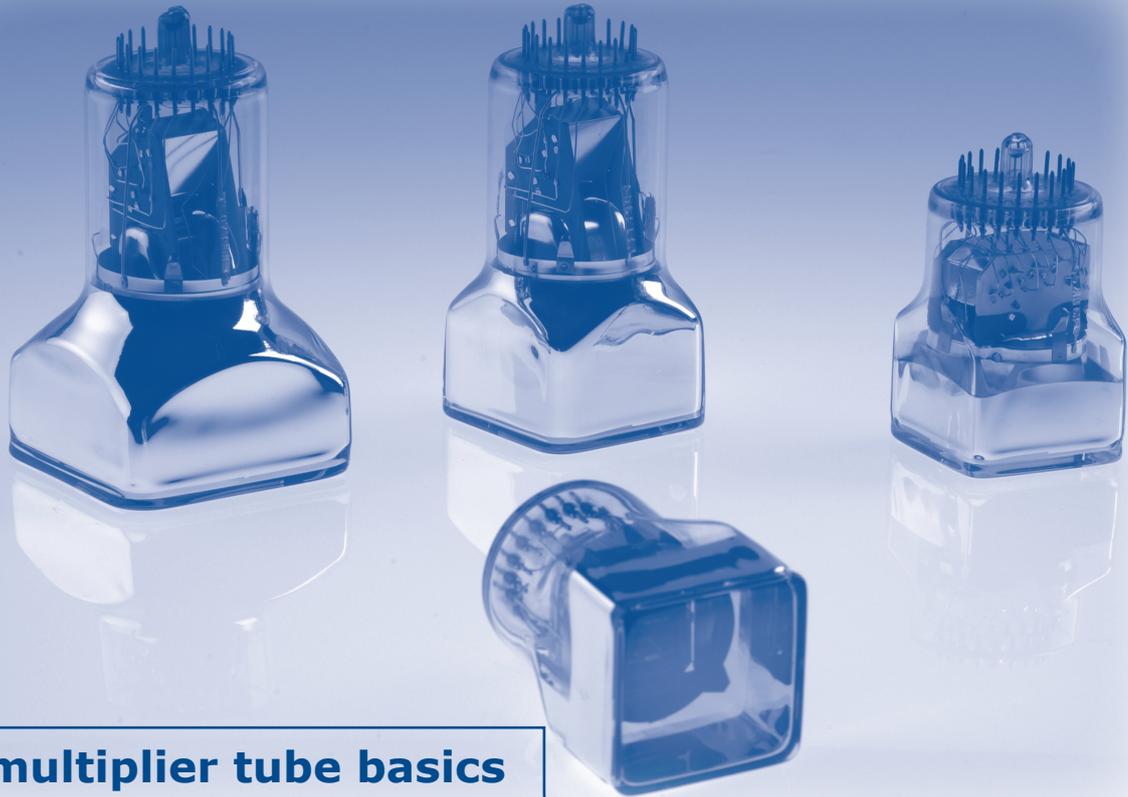
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			✓	XP4512	130 mm	○	10-stage		⇨			✓	✓		62
NEW	✓			XP4526A	39 mm	◻	10-stage	red-sensitive, dormer window							64
			✓	XP4572	130 mm	○	10-stage	semi-fast	✓	⇨		✓	✓		62
			✓	XP4592	130 mm	○	8-stage		⇨				✓		63
NEW	✓			XP5200	51 mm	○	8-stage	low-profile	✓			✓			52
NEW	✓			XP5202	51 mm	○	8-stage	low-profile	✓			✓			52
	✓			XP5292	51 mm	◻	9-stage	low-profile	✓						66
	✓		✓	XP52Y2	51 mm	○	8-stage	low-profile	✓	⇨					52
NEW				XP5300	76 mm	○	8-stage	low-profile	✓						57
NEW	✓			XP5302	76 mm	○	8-stage	low-profile	✓			✓			57
NEW	✓			XP5382	76 mm	◻	8-stage	low-profile	✓			✓			66
NEW	✓			XP53A2	76 mm	○	6-stage	low-profile	✓	⇨					57
NEW	✓	✓		XP53X2	76 mm	○	9-stage	low-profile	✓	⇨		✓			57
	✓		✓	XP53Y2	76 mm	○	8-stage	low-profile	✓	⇨					57
	✓			XP5612	60 mm	○	9-stage		✓						54
NEW				XP5700	90 mm	○	8-stage	low-profile	✓						60
		✓		XP6042	39 mm	○	10-stage	low-profile							46
NEW				XP6242	51 mm	○	10-stage	very low-profile							52
NEW				XP6342	76 mm	○	10-stage	very low-profile							57
NEW				XP6500	13 mm	○	9-stage	very low-profile							35
NEW				XP650F	13 mm	○	9-stage	very low-profile, flying-leads							35
NEW	✓			XP83006	130 mm	○	10-stage	good PHR	✓						63
NEW	✓			XP83013	90 mm	○	10-stage		✓						60
NEW	✓			XP83019	51 mm	○	10-stage		✓						53
NEW	✓			XP83021	76 mm	○	10-stage		✓						58
NEW	✓	✓		XP83049	76 mm	○	8-stage	green-sensitive	✓			✓			58
NEW	✓			XP83051C	25 mm	○	10-stage	ruggedized, high temperature							40
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NEW	✓	✓		XP83054	51 mm	○	8-stage	green-sensitive	✓			✓			53
NEW	✓	✓		XP83079	76 mm	◻	8-stage	green-sensitive	✓			✓			66
NEW	✓			XP83092C	25 mm	○	10-stage	ruggedized, high temperature							40
NEW	✓			XP83092E	25 mm	○	10-stage	ruggedized, high temperature							40
NEW	✓	✓		XP83112	25 mm	○	10-stage		✓	⇨		✓			40
NEW	✓	✓	✓	XP83120	29 mm	○	10-stage		✓	⇨		✓			42
NEW	✓			XP83121	29 mm	○	10-stage	red-sensitive	⇨						42
NEW	✓		✓	XP85002	51 mm	◻	2-MCP	MCP multiplier, 4 anode	➡						68
NEW	✓		✓	XP85012	51 mm	◻	2-MCP	MCP multiplier, 64 anode	➡						68
NEW	✓		✓	XP85022	51 mm	◻	2-MCP	MCP multiplier, 1024 anode	➡						68
NEW	✓	✓	✓	XP8850	51 mm	○	12-stage	Quantacon	⇨	🔊		✓	✓		53
NEW	✓			XP8852	51 mm	○	12-stage	red-sensitive, Quantacon	⇨			✓	✓	✓	53

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Imperial sizes: in this catalogue, the following size equivalents are used.

1/2"	13 mm	1 1/8"	29 mm	2 1/4"	57 mm	3 1/2"	90 mm	9"	230 mm
3/4"	19 mm	1 1/2"	39 mm	2 1/2"	60 mm	5"	130 mm	10 1/2"	270 mm
1"	25 mm	2"	51 mm	3"	76 mm	8"	203 mm	12"	300 mm



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Still setting the standard



For more than sixty years, photomultipliers have been used to detect low-energy photons in the UV to visible range, high-energy photons (X-rays and gamma rays) and ionizing particles using scintillators. PHOTONIS has been manufacturing them from their inception. Today, photomultiplier tubes (PMT) remain unequalled in light detection in all but a few niche areas.

The PMT's continuing superiority stems from three main features:

- large sensing area,
- ultra-fast response and excellent timing performance,
- high gain and low noise.

The last two give the photomultiplier an exceptionally high gain-bandwidth product.

For detecting light from UV to visible wavelengths, the PMT has successfully met the challenges of solid-state light detectors such as the silicon photodiode and the silicon avalanche photodiode. Detectors of this sort have only made minor inroads into some traditional PMT markets where the light levels are relatively high and a small sensing area can be tolerated.

For detecting high-energy photons or ionizing particles, the PMT remains widely preferred. It continues to compete effectively with solid-state radiation detectors and gaseous detectors (though the former can provide superior energy resolution to PMT scintillation counters in some areas of X-ray and low-energy gamma-ray spectrometry).

And in large-area detectors, the availability of scintillating fibres is again favouring the use of the PMT as an alternative to the slower multi-wire proportional counter. Not that development of the PMT itself has been standing still. For example, to meet today's increasingly stringent demands in nuclear imaging, PHOTONIS is constantly refining existing designs to raise performance while making ever smaller tubes.

And for the analytical and physics markets, PHOTONIS has developed completely new technologies such as the broadly-patented foil dynode that is the key to the low-crosstalk of the latest multi-channel PMT family. Then there are very large hemispherical PMTs with excellent time response for cosmic ray experiments, and ultra-fast tubes with a time jitter of less than half a nanosecond. And this is just a few of the unequalled products listed in this catalogue from the company setting the standard in photomultiplier tubes.

Construction & operating principle

A photomultiplier tube is a non-thermionic vacuum tube, usually made of glass, that converts very small light signals into a measurable electric current.

As Fig.1 shows, it comprises:

- a **window** to admit light,
- a **semitransparent photocathode** made of a thin layer of photoemissive material deposited on the inner surface of the window which emits electrons in response to absorbing photons,
- an **electron-optical input** system of one or more electrodes that accelerate and focus the emitted photoelectrons onto the first dynode of the tube,
- an **electron multiplier** consisting of several electrodes (dynodes) covered with a layer of secondary emissive material. For each incident electron, each dynode emits several secondary electrons. These are accelerated onto the next dynode by an inter-dynode potential (typically of about 100 V) producing ever more secondary electrons down the multiplier. Electron gains of 10^3 to 10^8 are common and depend on the number of dynodes and the inter-dynode potentials,
- an **anode grid** which collects the electron avalanche, providing an output signal.

The electrode potentials are usually derived from a single high-voltage supply and a resistive or transistorized voltage divider.

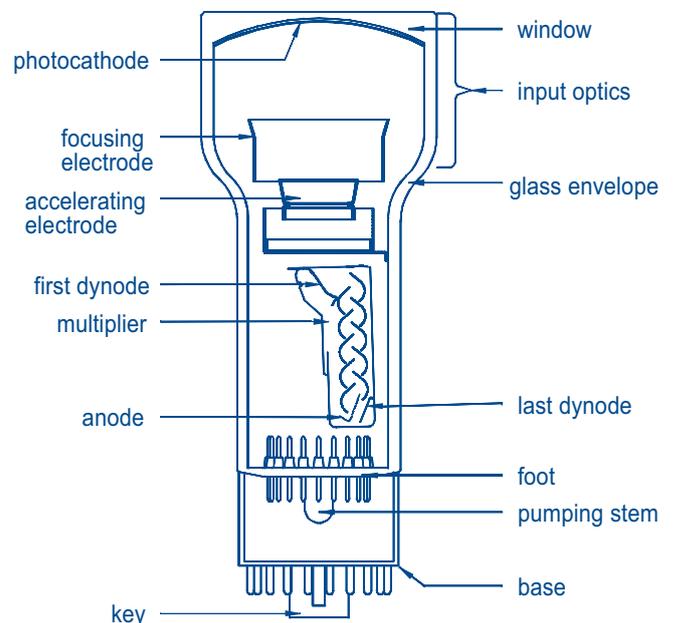


Fig.1: Main elements of a photomultiplier.
(Based on the fast 3" basic tube, the XP4312B).

The photocathode

The response of a PMT to light is specified by its photocathode sensitivity which can be specified by several ways: quantum efficiency, integral quantum efficiency, cathode radiant sensitivity, cathode luminous sensitivity and cathode blue sensitivity.

Quantum efficiency (%)

Quantum efficiency (QE, or ρ) is the most obvious way to describe cathode photoemission. It is defined as the ratio of the number of photoelectrons emitted by the cathode to the number of photons incident on the window, and is usually expressed as a percentage.

Quantum efficiency depends on the wavelength of the photons and is generally less than 35%. For each photocathode type, a range of wavelengths in which the QE has a usable value can be defined, the lower limit of QE (and hence the measuring accuracy) being set by the statistical nature of photoemission.

Quantum efficiency is a particularly useful parameter when the number of incident photons is small and when the photons arrive in pulses.

Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)

Because it is easier to measure the photocathode current produced in response to an incident light power than to count photons and electrons, photoemission is frequently described by the term cathode radiant sensitivity and is usually expressed in mA/W. This sensitivity is the photocathode current produced in response to an incident light power at a specific wavelength.

Cathode radiant sensitivity is related to quantum efficiency by:

$$QE (\%) = \frac{124}{\lambda (\text{nm})} \times \text{radiant sensitivity (mA/W)}$$

where λ is the wavelength of the incident light.

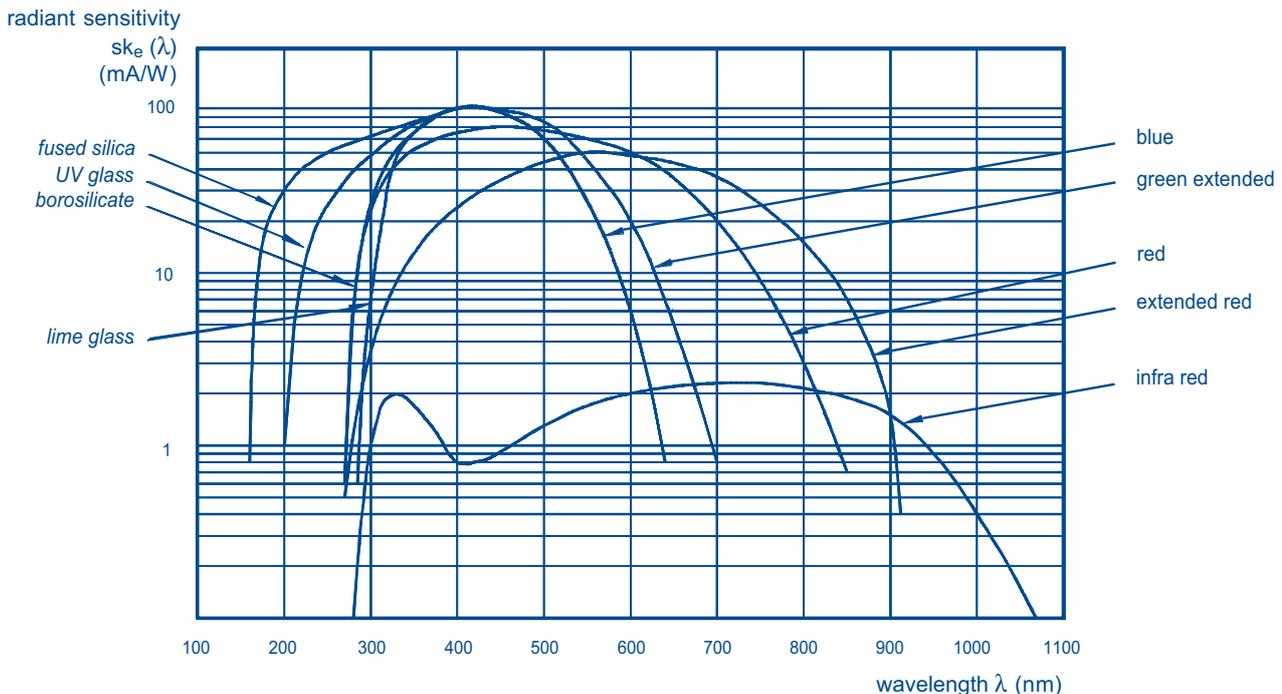


Fig.2 Typical spectral sensitivity characteristics of standard photocathodes with associated window materials.

Spectral response

The spectral sensitivity characteristic (Fig.2) is the curve showing how cathode radiant sensitivity varies with wavelength. The spectral response is determined at the longer wavelengths (photoemission threshold) by the photocathode type and thickness, and at the shorter wavelengths by the input window transmission.

Window material

The most commonly used window materials are (Fig.3):

- **lime glasses** (soft glasses), e.g. Schott B270,
- **borosilicate glasses** (hard glasses), e.g. Corning Pyrex™,
- **UV-transparent borosilicate glasses**, e.g. Schott 8337,
- **fused silica**, e.g. Spectrosil™, which is very transparent to UV radiation down to about 160 nm.
- **sapphire (ultraviolet grade)**

Within each group of glass, there are many variants having different transmissions.

Characteristics of photomultiplier windows

type of window glass	cut-off wavelength, -10% (nm)	refractive index
lime glass	300	1.54 (at 400 nm)
borosilicate	270	1.50 (at 400 nm)
UV glass	190	1.49 (at 400 nm)
fused silica	160	1.47 (at 400 nm)
		1.50 (at 250 nm)
sapphire	150	1.80 (at 400 nm)

The window material choice has other consequences which may be critical for some applications (see p 15).

Alpha, beta and gamma decays within the materials of a photomultiplier (glass, insulator, metal parts) can produce interactions with scintillators. These interactions can lead to events with time and energy signatures which can mislead with the rare events being studied (see p 14).

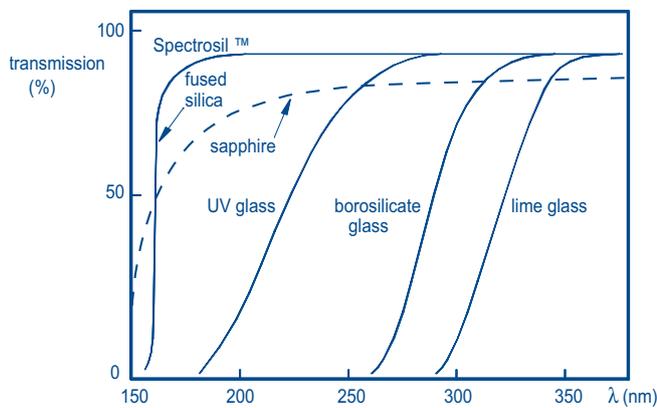


Fig.3 Transmission as a function of wavelength λ for various glasses used in photomultiplier input windows.

Photocathode material

PMT photocathodes are usually made of alkali antimonides, the most common being:

- **bialkali** (SbKCs): used to match light sources in the blue region of the visible spectrum,
- **green-extended bialkali** (GEBA): more sensitive than standard bialkali in the green region,
- **high-temperature bialkali** (SbNa₂K): less sensitive than the other bialkali cathodes; for prolonged use at temperatures above 60°C,
- **multialkali** (SbNa₂KCs): more sensitive than the bialkali types in the range 600 to 850 nm, but with correspondingly higher noise,
- **extended-red multialkali** (ERMA): a thicker multialkali cathode whose spectral response extends to 900 nm,
- **GaAs**, near infrared sensitive
- **RbCsSb**.

The response of the multialkali cathodes can be tailored to extend as required in the green and red regions.

Other rarely used photocathode types are:

- the monoalkali cathode (SbCs₃),
- the AgOCs cathode which is sensitive from the visible region to the infrared region, but has a very low QE,
- alkali tellurides on fused silica ('solar blind').

Luminous and filtered sensitivities

Because it would be prohibitively expensive (and indeed irrelevant for most applications) to measure the spectral sensitivity characteristic of every PMT, individual PMTs are usually only tested for minimum sensitivity. Further more, for historical and practical reasons, neither quantum efficiency nor radiant sensitivity is measured.

All major PMT manufacturers have instead standardized tests according to well-known techniques used in the lighting industry where light flux is measured in lumens (reflecting the response of the ideal human eye) and not in watts, and where the spectral response is measured for a tungsten filament light source at a colour temperature of 2856K.

Because the spectral response of a PMT is much wider than that of the eye, the use of such photometric measurements has often been criticized. However, the definition of the lumen is directly related to a few practical physical parameters (dimensions of a tungsten filament, emissivity of tungsten, colour temperature) that are easy to control and calibrate, providing reliable and reproducible test results.

Cathode luminous sensitivity ($\mu\text{A}/\text{lm}$)

Cathode luminous sensitivity relates the photocathode current to the response of the ideal eye. It is the current measured for an incident flux of 1 lumen from a tungsten filament source at a colour temperature of 2856K. It is usually expressed in $\mu\text{A}/\text{lm}$.

The luminous sensitivity can be considered as the integral product of the cathode spectral response and the radiant power spectrum of the light source. Therefore, high values of luminous sensitivity correspond very well to an extended green response. Thus, it is a useful characteristic to specify and is indicated on the test ticket of all PHOTONIS tubes having an extended response, i.e. those with GEBA, multialkali, or ERMA cathodes. For PMTs with a multialkali cathode, the radiant sensitivity at a specified wavelength is also indicated.

Luminous filtered sensitivity ($\mu\text{A}/\text{lmF}$)

This is measured with the same standard light source as luminous sensitivity but with a colour filter placed between the source and PMT to simulate the emission spectrum of another source, mostly a scintillator.

The most widely used filter is the Corning CS 5-58, polished to half-stock thickness, which closely simulates the emission of NaI(Tl), see Fig.4. The photocathode current corresponding to 1 lumen incident on this filter is called cathode blue sensitivity or cathode CB sensitivity (CB for Corning Blue), and is expressed in $\mu\text{A}/\text{lmF}$ (F for filtered). It is used by all PMT manufacturers to specify and test PMTs intended for use with NaI(Tl) scintillators. Individual measured values are indicated on the test ticket of every PHOTONIS PMT with a bialkali photocathode.

The 'blue' and radiant sensitivities at 400 nm are empirically related for a standard bialkali photocathode:

$$\text{radiant sensitivity at } 400 \text{ nm} \approx 8 \times \frac{\text{blue sensitivity}}{\text{radiant sensitivity}} \quad \left(\frac{\mu\text{A}/\text{lmF}}{\text{mA/W}} \right)$$

Integral quantum efficiency (%)

For many physics applications using green-emitting scintillators or wavelength shifters with a well-defined emission band, the integral quantum efficiency (IQE) is a useful parameter to express cathode sensitivity. It is defined as the integral product of the photocathode spectral sensitivity characteristic and the light emission spectrum and is expressed as a percentage.

The IQE is well correlated with the photocathode luminous sensitivity given on the test ticket of all GEBA, multialkali and ERMA tubes. If the emission spectrum of the light is known, the IQE can be approximated from the photocathode response of a typical PMT and the emission spectrum of the standard light source used in measuring luminous sensitivity.

For wavelength shifters such as BBQ, Y7 and Y27, coupled to an XP2072 photomultiplier, the IQE is typically 10-15%, for the green-extended XP1921 typically 12-18%, and for recent tubes for gamma-cameras typically 15-20%.

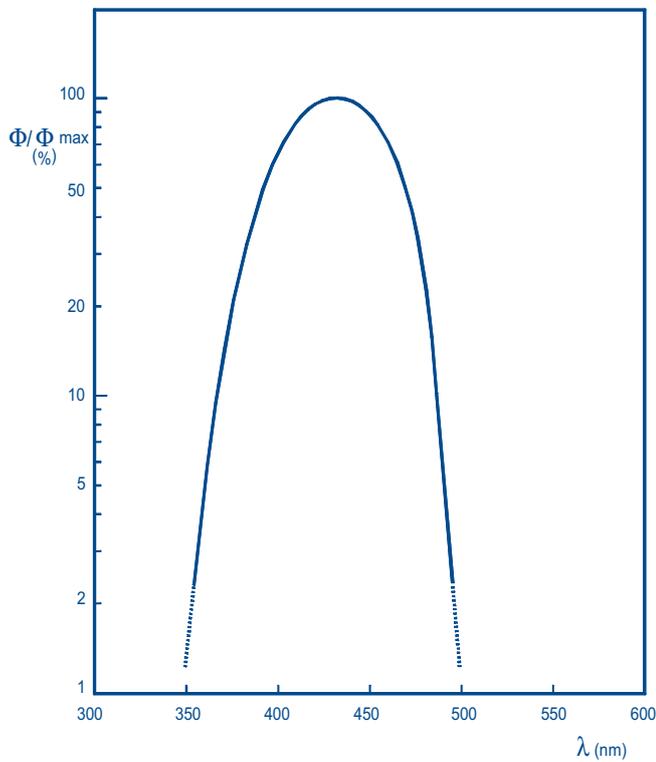


Fig.4 Relative spectral characteristic of 2856 K tungsten light transmitted by a Corning CS 5-58 filter ground to half stock thickness.

Measuring cathode sensitivity

All published cathode sensitivities are measured by operating the PMT as a diode with all electrodes in the input optics interconnected. This optimizes collection efficiency, so the measurement is a true indication of cathode quality (especially useful for manufacturers' process control). Cathode sensitivities do not however indicate the collection efficiency during normal operation as a photomultiplier, see Collection Efficiency.

Spatial uniformity

Reproducible, high-quality deposition techniques ensure that the spatial uniformity of the cathode sensitivity of PHOTONIS end-window PMTs is excellent. Minute variations may however be perceptible if uniformity measurements are made using a light source outside the PMT's intended spectral operating range, e.g. using a green or red LED to measure a PMT optimized for blue response.

Inextricably linked to cathode spatial uniformity is anode uniformity. A uniform anode sensitivity is provided first and foremost by a well-designed electron-optical input system. This is especially important in linear-focused tubes in order to focus all of the emitted photoelectrons on the first dynode. In fast tubes, focusing electrodes are used to maximize collection efficiency.

The area where the sensitivity is uniform for all practical purposes is termed the useful cathode area in published data sheets. The active area however may extend to the tube wall and even onto it.

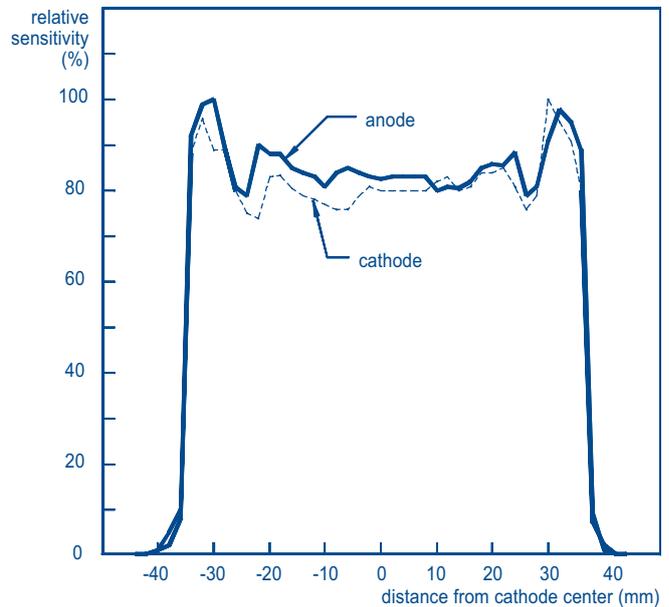


Fig.5 Example of anode and cathode sensitivity variation measured at $\lambda = 424$ nm along one diagonal of a XP3692, 60 mm square PMT with SbKCs cathode.

Collection efficiency

This is a subjective parameter that is difficult to measure and for which no standardized methods have been defined. It varies considerably between PMT types, reflecting differently designed electron-optical input systems.

Very-fast tubes

Very-fast 2" tubes such as the XP2020 are optimized for collecting photoelectrons from the whole of the photocathode surface that arrive almost simultaneously on the first dynode surface. This optimization is however at the expense of reduced collection efficiency of the available photoelectrons. This requires complex, well-optimized electron-optic designs with several input electrodes whose potentials are critical even between tubes of the same type.

Fast tubes

Fast tubes such as the XP2262, XP4312 and XP4512 families provide a *timing-favoured* compromise between decent collection efficiency and similar photoelectron arrival times. In contrast, the XP4392 and XP4572 provide a *collection-efficiency-favoured* compromise, whilst still having very respectable timing performance. Such tubes therefore have a larger first dynode and simpler input optics than very-fast tubes.

When a good time response is required, plano-concave input windows are used to minimize geometrical path differences between the surfaces of the photocathode and first dynode.

General-purpose tubes

Simpler still are the input optics of the general purpose tubes (Fig.7) which provide the best collection efficiency with no stringent consideration given to time response. Therefore, these tubes usually have plano-plano input windows.

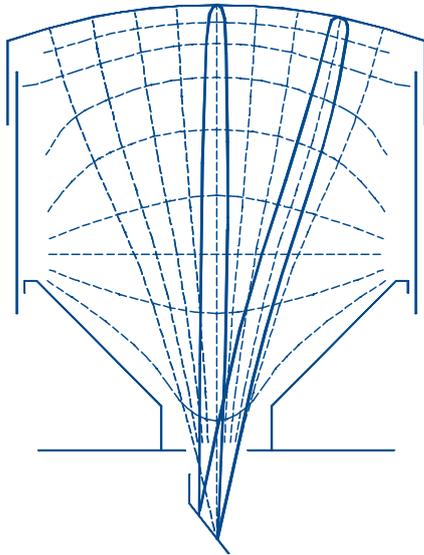


Fig.6 Example of a large, fast PMT input electron-optics.

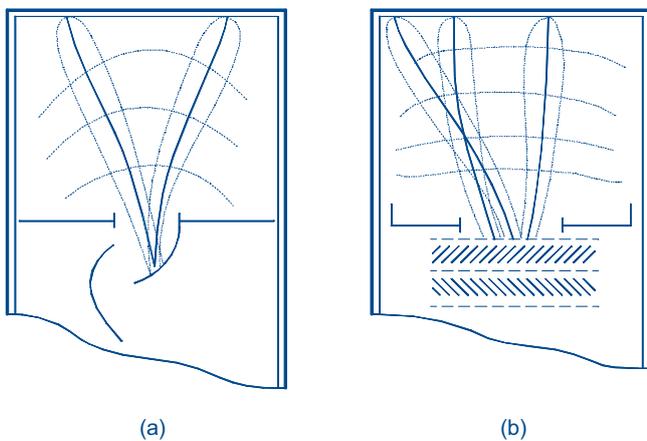


Fig.7 Input electron-optics of a PMT with (a) focusing dynodes and (b) venetian-blind dynodes, showing equipotential lines and electron trajectories.

Tubes optimized for PHR

Tubes optimized for the best pulse height resolution, (i.e. energy resolution) and used with the relatively slow response scintillator NaI(Tl) in gamma-camera applications, for example, are optimized for the highest collection efficiency of *all* photoelectrons - even those from the corners of hexagonal or square tubes (e.g. the XP3672 or XP3392 families), and those from the cathode on the upper part of the tube wall.

This calls for a large first dynode surface as in the box and linear-focusing multipliers of the 3" families: XP3312 (round), XP3372 (hexagonal) and XP3392 (square). PHOTONIS' low-profile tubes are another example where a large first dynode is coupled to a multiplier for optimum collection efficiency.

For instance, the XP6242 and the XP6342 families have a hybrid multiplier comprising a very large first dynode coupled to a foil multiplier. And the XP53xx family's box-and-focusing multiplier design is a linear-focusing multiplier 'folded' underneath a large first box dynode, providing an extremely short tube, sometimes termed "low-profile" tube.

Crucial between the first and second dynodes, collection efficiency is also important between the other dynodes.

Measuring collection efficiency

To obtain reproducible relative measurements of collection efficiency for a particular PMT type, the only good method is to measure the pulse height resolution, PHR, for a known isotope energy (e.g. ^{57}Co , 122 keV) with the PMT coupled to a high-quality standard-size scintillator whose relative PHR is well known and to compare the results obtained.

Pulse height resolution mainly depends on:

- scintillator quality,
- PMT quantum efficiency,
- PMT collection efficiency,
- PMT gain statistics of the first dynode,
- PMT gain statistics of subsequent multiplier stages, and resolution of the measuring circuit.

The relative collection efficiencies of tubes having the same quantum efficiency can be compared by keeping all the other parameters constant.

The literature indicates how to relate PMT collection efficiencies to a figure of merit in Cherenkov measurements, and there have been trials to define a method of measuring the absolute collection efficiency of large hemispherical PMTs. These methods are however neither practical nor common for other PMT types.

Collection efficiency comparisons can therefore best be avoided and replaced by comparisons of relative PHR under well-defined conditions that give reproducible results.

Curves, like those in Fig.5, giving the anode and cathode sensitivity measured by scanning the diagonal with a perpendicular light pencil beam typically show a higher sensitivity at the faceplate periphery. This is however due to the measurement method - light reflected from internal electrodes gives the reflected photons one more chance to strike the photocathode. Such reflexions can also occur in practice, their effect on sensitivity depending on how the photons arrive at the photocathode.

The electron multiplier

The electron multiplier of a PMT is a virtually noiseless, high-gain, wideband amplifier for the electrons extracted from the photocathode. As already described, the electrons are multiplied by a cascade of secondary emission at several dynodes.

The main types of multiplier used in PHOTONIS PMTs, are (see Fig.8):

- **the linear-focusing** multiplier whose in-line dynodes progressively focus the electron paths through the PMT. This type of multiplier provides high gain, good timing characteristics, and high linearity.
- **the venetian-blind** multiplier with dynodes consisting of an assembly of parallel strips. This multiplier has good collection efficiency, and respectable immunity to external magnetic fields.
- **the foil** multiplier with dynodes of perforated metal foil, which are precision-designed alternatives to standard mesh dynodes. Foil dynodes provide the extremely low crosstalk utilized in the segmented tubes of the XP1422 and XP1452 families, and in the XP1700 family of multi-channel PMTs,
- **the box or box and grid** multiplier has a large collection area at the first dynode, and hence good collection efficiency, but slightly degraded timing characteristics,
- **the circular cage** multiplier leads to highly compact arrangements,

- the microchannel plate (MCP) multiplier consist of a microchannel-plate electron multiplier with a proximity focused cathode at one side and an anode at the other. The microchannel plate is a compact aggregation of parrallel glass tubes of microscopic diameter (6 - 25 μ). One electron at the input is multiplied in a single microchannel. High gain is obtained by arranging two MCP in cascade (XP85002, XP85012 and XP85022).

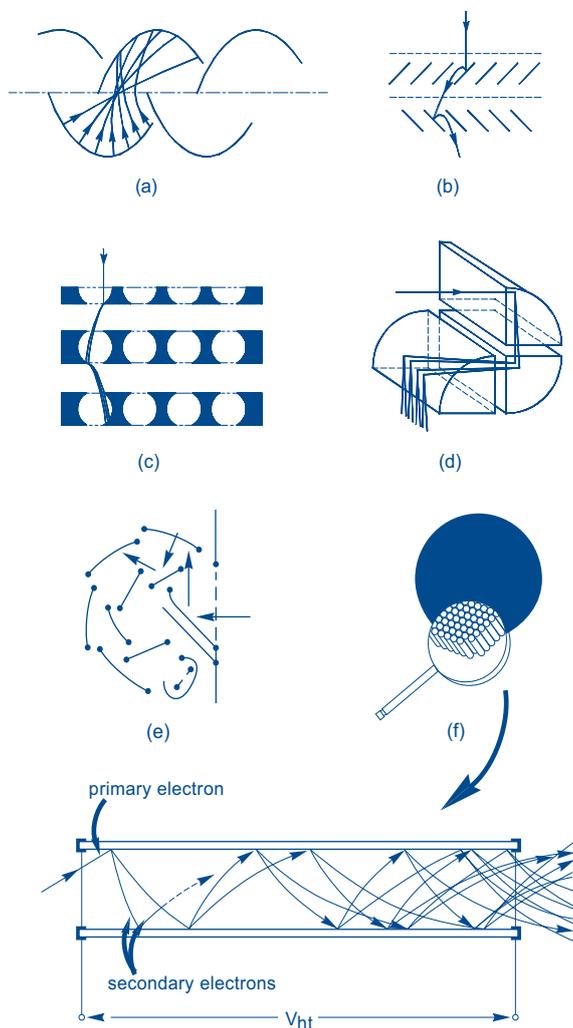


Fig.8 Dynode configurations of electron multipliers: (a) linear focusing, (b) venetian blind, (c) foil, (d) box, (e) circular cage and (f) MCP.

Each type of multiplier reflects trade-offs between parameters such as gain, response time, collection efficiency (related to PHR) and tube length. In recent years, new hybrid multipliers have been designed to optimize these trade-offs, for example:

- the box and linear-focusing multiplier: where the collection sensitivity and magnetic immunity of a conventional linear-focusing multiplier have been enhanced by a new design of input optics and first dynode. Examples: XP3212, XP3312 and XP3392 families.
- 'low-profile' box-and-focusing multiplier: a variant of the above with 'folded' multiplier, providing a very short tube. Examples: XP5202, XP5302 and XP5612 families.
- a foil first dynode followed by a linear-focusing multiplier. Example: XP1802.
- large focusing first dynode followed by a short foil multiplier. Examples: XP6242 and XP6342 families.

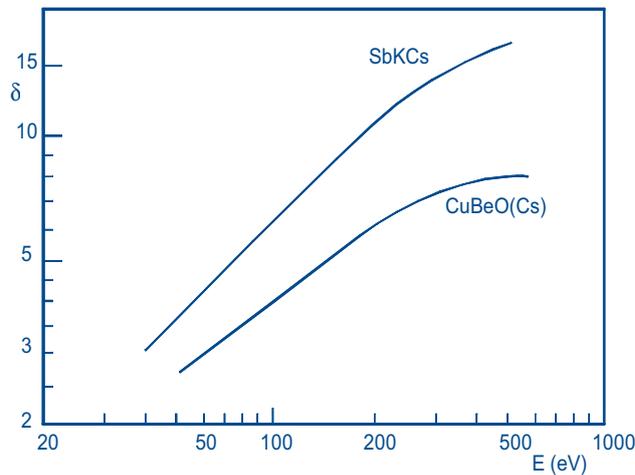


Fig.9 Secondary emission coefficients, δ , of the commonly used dynode materials, as functions of incident primary-electron energy, E .

Secondary emitting dynode coatings

To form a secondary-electron emitting layer, the surfaces of the metal dynodes (usually beryllium copper) are oxidized or coated with an alkali antimonide layer.

Oxidized beryllium copper dynodes provide a superior time response and linearity due to the high multiplier voltage needed for a given gain; and better long-term stability at high operating currents. Alkali antimonide coated dynodes (of the same composition as the cathode) operate at a lower voltage for a given gain, and provide a more stable gain performance when count rates change. In addition, they have better long-term stability at low anode currents.

Moreover, in tubes with alkali antimonide coated dynodes, the voltage between the cathode and the first dynode can be higher giving a first-dynode gain reaching 10 to 20. This provides a single-electron pulse height spectrum with a well-defined peak resolution as good as 60% - a feature of fast tubes like the XP2020 and XP2262.

Voltage dividers

The voltages required to create the electrostatic fields between dynodes to accelerate and focus the electrons in a PMT are most conveniently derived from a single high-voltage supply and a voltage divider network.

The design of the divider network is crucial to get the best performance from the PMT, but the inter-electrode voltage distribution will always be a trade-off between certain performance parameters (a high voltage between cathode and the first dynode is however always recommended). That is why we publish up to three voltage divider circuits (Fig.10) in data sheets:

- **type A:** iterative voltage distribution; the same voltage for all multiplier stages (except the first few). This distribution provides the highest gain for a given supply voltage and is particularly suitable for photometry and nuclear spectrometry applications.
- **type B:** progressive voltage distribution (increasing from the cathode to the anode). This distribution provides the highest linear peak current but with a much lower gain than type A.
- **type C:** 'intermediate' progressive voltage distribution. This distribution optimizes time characteristics while providing acceptable gain and linearity. Type C dividers are particularly suitable in physics experiments requiring accurate timing combined with ability to analyze pulse heights over a wide dynamic range.

Anode sensitivity

Anode sensitivity (including collection efficiency) is simply the product of cathode sensitivity, collection efficiency and gain. It varies with supply voltage exactly as gain does.

As for photocathode sensitivity, anode sensitivity can be classified into:

- **anode radiant sensitivity**, expressed in A/W at a given wavelength; used in only a few applications,
- **anode luminous sensitivity**, expressed in A/lm; PHOTONIS uses this to specify and routinely test PMTs with standard multialkali and ERMA cathodes;
- **anode CB sensitivity, or anode 'blue' sensitivity**, expressed in A/lmF (F for filtered); PHOTONIS uses this to specify and test all bialkali types intended for NaI(Tl) scintillation detection. There is a good correlation between blue sensitivity and the pulse height observed at the anode of a tube in response to scintillations from a given NaI(Tl) crystal.

By tradition, some fast tubes are still specified and tested for gain.

Specifications and testing

The following method is used to measure anode sensitivity. For each PMT type, an anode sensitivity (or, where applicable, a gain) that is typical for the application is defined usually with a type A divider (e.g. 7.5 A/lmF for the XP2042, 3×10^7 gain for the XP2020). The supply voltage is then adjusted to the exact value that provides the nominal sensitivity (or gain); the specification gives maximum and typical values to this voltage, and for each tube the corresponding supply voltage is put on the test ticket.

The gain spread in a batch of tubes can be measured by operating all the tubes at the same voltage. Note that the spread in the supply voltage ratio $V_{max}:V_{min}$ can be 1.3:1 (and even 1.4:1) corresponding to a spread in gain ratio at a given voltage of 5:1 (and even 10:1).

Maximum voltage ratings

Recurrent breakdown in a PMT may destroy the associated electronics and eventually the PMT itself. Therefore, the supply voltage should not exceed the specified maximum rating.

For example, it is specified in the XP2042 data sheet that this PMT should not be used above 75 A/lmF or 1400 V (independent limits). If an XP2042 test ticket indicates a supply voltage of 900 V for the *nominal* sensitivity (7.5 A/lmF), the required voltage for 75 A/lmF is (from the gain-voltage relationship $G_2/G_1 = (V_2/V_1)^{\alpha N}$ with $\alpha N = 7.5$ for an XP2042): $900 \times (75/7.5)^{1/7.5} \approx 1250$ V.

which is the limit for this specimen. If the tube is used with a different type of voltage divider, the required supply voltage for 75 A/lmF sensitivity may exceed the 1400 V limit, and the tube must not be operated under these conditions.

All PHOTONIS tubes are regularly tested at maximum voltage and sensitivity to check that the dark noise is less than a preset limit, and that breakdown does not occur.

Take care that the maximum ratings of inter-electrode voltages are also not exceeded, as can occur by using an exotic divider, resulting in increased noise or breakdown. Note that data sheets also give *lower limits* for the cathode to first dynode voltage to ensure an acceptable collection efficiency, and for the last dynode to anode voltage to ensure an acceptable linearity.

Anode dark current & dark noise

In total darkness, a photomultiplier tube still produces a small output current called anode dark current. Similar to a photoelectric current, the main component of dark current is the charge sum of several short pulses usually of the same duration as single photoelectron pulses. The rate of these pulses is called the dark noise or dark count rate (for clarity, the term background should be avoided in this context). Dark current and dark noise limit the detectivity of a PMT.

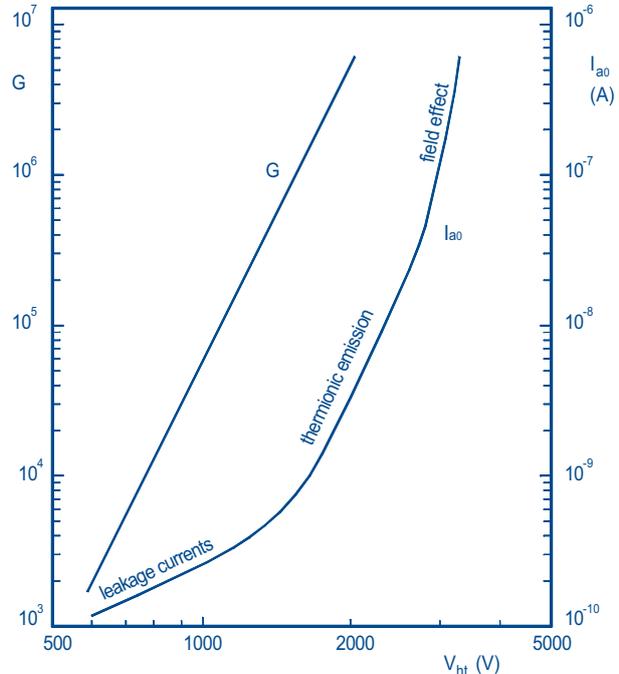


Fig.13 Gain G and anode dark current I_{ao} as functions of the PMT supply voltage, showing the voltage regions in which each of the three main causes of dark current predominates.

Ohmic leakage

This component of dark current is due to leakage currents between electrodes on the glass and insulating surfaces of the tubes (plastic bases, sockets). It is a major part of dark current when a PMT is operated at low gain ($<10^4$) or at low temperature. Dirt and humidity are obvious major contributors, but soldering flux too is particularly harmful, producing large dark noise pulses (similar to scintillations) at all values of gain.

Thermionic emission

Thermionic emission of single electrons from the cathode is the main component of dark current, and the corresponding pulse height spectrum is the same as that for single photoelectrons.

A typical bialkali cathode emits about 50 electrons/cm².s at room temperature; cathodes with a response extending into the infrared have a higher emission. As long as thermionic emission dominates, the dark noise is independent of supply voltage (or gain), although of course the dark current increases with gain.

Thermionic emission varies with temperature according to the Richardson law (i.e. about a ten-fold increase for a 15°C temperature rise). Thermionic emission can therefore be reduced by lowering the temperature of a PMT (0 to -25°C) provided other dark current causes do not become dominant and the resistivity increase of alkali cathodes can be tolerated.

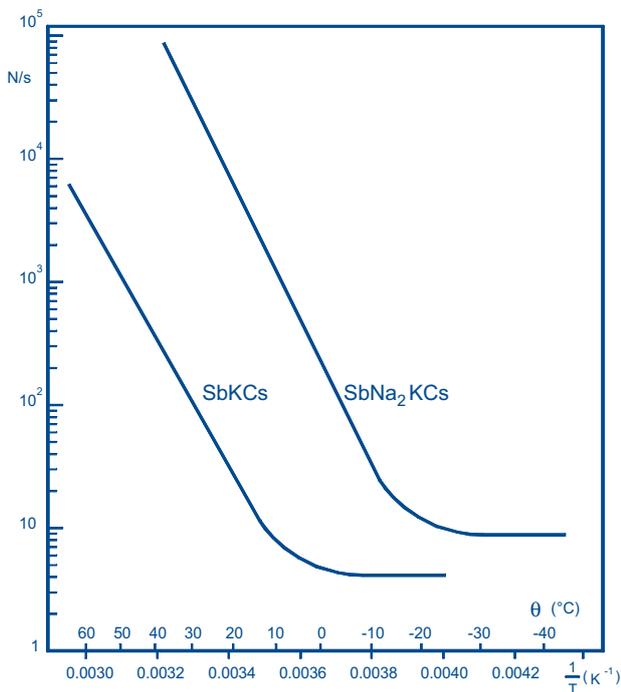


Fig.14 Number of dark pulses per second as a function of temperature for SbKCs and SbNa₂KCs photocathodes.

Field emission

Local electric fields in a PMT can be very high, and any blemish on an electrode, or a loose particle can be a potential source of field emission, also known as cold emission. Electrons emitted by field emission are accelerated onto other surfaces inside the tube and, even those with just 1 keV energy, may be able to extract more (photo)electrons from the cathode and dynode surfaces.

Field emission increases more rapidly with supply voltage than gain does, and the dark current soon becomes unstable and erratic. The pulse height spectrum of such dark noise always contains more large (multielectron) pulses than the normal single-electron spectrum, and also many small pulses below 0.2 PE (photoelectron) equivalent that originate from the first dynodes. These small pulses can also appear as fast bursts.

All PHOTONIS PMTs are tested at maximum supply voltage ratings to ensure field emission is at acceptable levels. Nevertheless, when dark noise is critical, it is recommended to operate a PMT well below the maximum voltage rating.

To minimize the risk of field emission, some high-gain tubes have an external conductive coating connected to the cathode.

Radioactivity

All glass windows, bulbs as well as internal parts contain traces of natural radioactive isotopes like ⁴⁰K, ²³²Th, ²³⁸U. The natural decay of these elements as well as those of the decay chain can produce scintillations in the glass itself or in the scintillator to which the PMT is coupled.

Depending on the application, there may be a need for low

radioactivity glass for the window or even sometimes the entire glass bulb as well as the internal tube parts.

For each of these, the gamma emission per decay can be calculated over an energy spectrum. For example, Thorium emits 4.14 gamma per decay with 2.74 above 0.1 MeV per chain.

The relation between the concentration of the element in the glass called C in ppb and the activity A in Bq/kg is:

$$C \text{ (ppb)} \approx 75,6 \times 10^{-12} \times A \times N \times T$$

where

A is the atomic mass of the element in g,

T is the half-life period of the element in years.

Our new low radioactivity glass is down by a factor 30 compared to a standard low noise borosilicate glass in term of decay per second. It means that a glass window of 2mm thickness that used to generate 180 cpm (count per minute) is now down to 4 cpm for our XP3xK0 family tube (2", 3", 3^{1/2}", 5").

PMT without scintillator

When a PMT is used without a scintillator (e.g. in photon counting), or with a small scintillator, the major effect is due to β particles (from ⁴⁰K) emitted inside the glass window and reabsorbed within 1 mm, producing light pulses by Cherenkov radiation. The anode pulse height spectrum of such pulses extends from 1 to 20 PE, but the rate rarely exceeds 10 or 20 counts/s even with a high potassium content window (as opposed to 50 to 5000 counts/s for thermionic emission). Beta particles become a problem when the pulse height range of interest is above 5 PE, or in coincidence measurements. In photon counting, most of them can be eliminated from the measurements by using an upper counting threshold of 3 to 5 PE.

High-energy particles from cosmic ray showers can also produce pulses in the window of up to 100 PE or more, but the rate is very low.

PMT with scintillator

When a PMT is used with a large scintillator, the gamma rays emitted by the same isotope traces in the complete PMT glass bulb (not only in the window) are the source of unwanted scintillations.

Cathode excitation

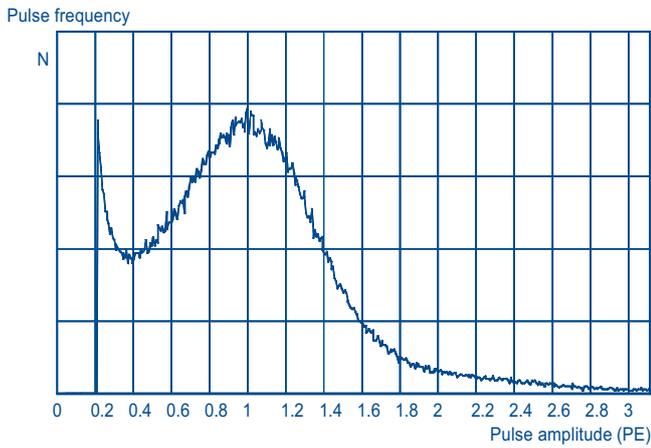
When a tube is exposed to even very low levels of ambient light, especially just before the tube is put into operation, the dark current in operation can initially be several orders of magnitude larger than that when the tube has stabilized several hours or even days in darkness.

The pulse height spectrum is similar to that for single photoelectrons. This phenomenon is very dependent on the cathode substrate. In normal use, take simple precautions to limit exposure. In all cases, avoid fluorescent light and daylight.

Dark current values on test tickets

All PHOTONIS PMTs are factory-tested for dark current. For each specimen, an individual dark current or dark noise value at nominal sensitivity is usually printed on the test ticket. This value should be considered as the maximum that could be observed after stabilization in darkness.

Tubes whose PHR is tested using a ⁵⁵Fe or ⁵⁷Co source don't have dark current values listed on the test ticket. This is simply because these tubes passed a much more stringent dark noise test during the measurement of their PHR, listed on the test ticket.



Total counts: 500.000

Fig.15 Example of dark-current spectrum with linear focused dynodes. (XP2960 tube).

In Cherenkov telescopes viewing high photon rates from the night sky, afterpulse rates can nevertheless be considerable. This is why we have designed tubes like the XP3062 and XP2960, specially manufactured to minimize afterpulse effects.

Afterpulse durations

afterpulse source	duration (typ.)
luminous reactions	20 to 100 ns
ionization of residual gases:	
- in the electron-optical input system	H ₂ ⁺ : 0.3 μs
	He ⁺ : 0.4 μs
	CH ₄ ⁺ : 1 μs
- in the electron multiplier	1 to several μs, e.g. 3 μs for Cs ⁺

Afterpulses

Afterpulses are spurious pulses that appear in the wake of true pulses. They can be observed on an oscilloscope while detecting very short flashes such as scintillation and laser pulses. As they are time-correlated with the true pulses, they are particularly inconvenient in chronometry and time spectrometry applications using coincidence techniques; in counting applications they often spuriously limit the number of true pulses that can be registered.

Afterpulses have two main causes:

- luminous reactions (that is, light emitted by electrodes due to electron bombardment),
- ionization of residual gas traces.

They can be distinguished by the interval that separates the afterpulse from the true pulse.

The effects of afterpulses can be minimized by using coincidence techniques, by blanking the photomultiplier for a set interval after each true pulse, or simply by using measuring equipment with sufficiently long dead time.

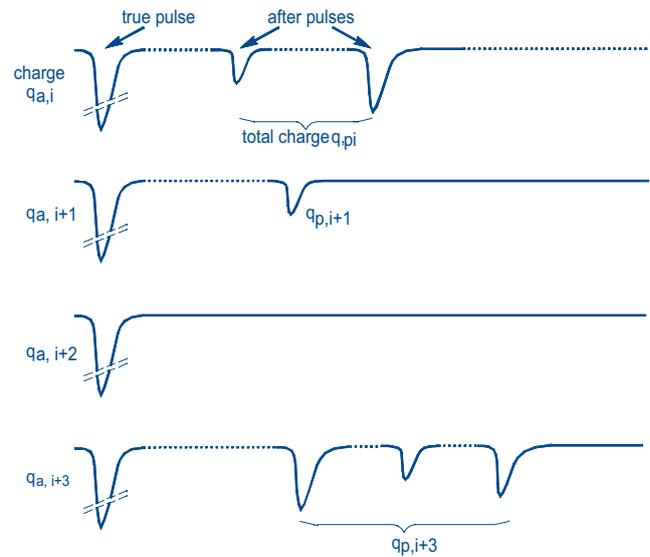


Fig.16 Examples of the development in number and charge of afterpulses. $q_{a,i}$ etc. is charge transferred by true pulses; $q_{p,i}$ etc. that transferred by afterpulses.

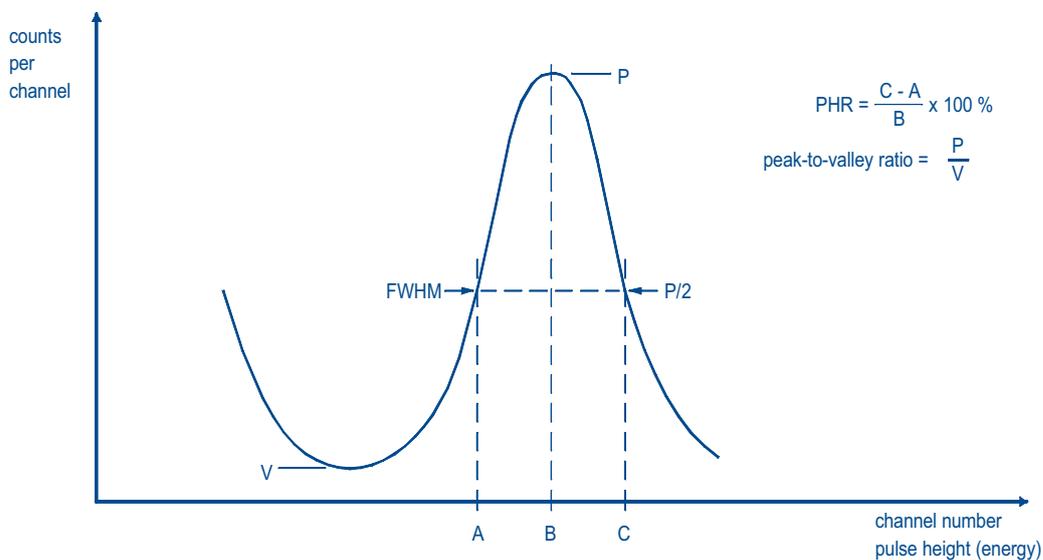


Fig.17 Typical pulse height spectrum showing the definition of pulse height resolution and peak-to-valley ratio.

Figures of merit

Although the electron multiplier of a PMT is virtually noiseless, signal extraction from the noise has still to be considered carefully. This, and statistical fluctuations of the anode current lead to three main figures of merit for different applications:

- pulse height resolution for pulsed operation (e.g. in scintillation counting),
- single-electron resolution for single-electron counting,
- signal-to-noise ratio for continuous operation (e.g. in a flying-spot scanner).

Energy spectrum and pulse height resolution (PHR)

Figure 18 shows a well-known type of energy spectrometer using a multi-channel pulse-height analyser. Each scintillation gives rise to an anode charge $q_{a,s}$ proportional to the energy deposited in the scintillation process. The charge amplifier converts the charge into a proportional voltage pulse which is amplified and fed into the analyser. As successive pulses occur, the analyser constructs a histogram of their amplitudes u_q , see Fig.17, called the pulse height spectrum, or energy spectrum since the pulse heights are proportional to the energy of each of the γ quanta incident on the scintillator.

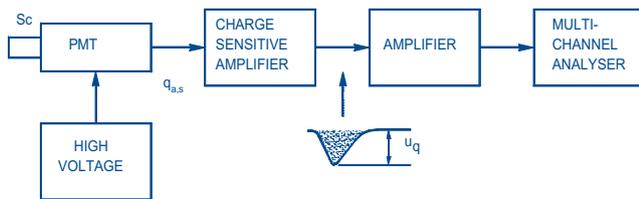


Fig.18 Energy spectrometer using a multichannel pulse-height analyser.

The energy resolution, or pulse height resolution (PHR) for a specified radioactive decay is given by:

$$\text{PHR} = \frac{\text{FWHM}}{\text{peak}} \times 100\%$$

The better the resolution, the greater is the peak-to-valley ratio (Fig.17).

Our published values for PHR are obtained using standard high-quality scintillators, making PHR dependent mainly on the PMT performance. This enables relative comparisons to be made between tubes.

Single-electron resolution (SER)

At very low light levels, single photoelectrons can produce individual output pulses within the response time of a PMT. The rate of these pulses is a measure of the light intensity. It is usual however to measure and sort these pulses in a similar way to that used to construct the pulse height spectrum, (only now the illumination is so low that each voltage pulse has a very low probability of being due to the emission of more than one electron at the photocathode.) The resulting anode pulse histogram obtained from a multi-channel analyser is the single-electron spectrum. The single-electron resolution being defined as for the pulse height resolution.

A high-gain first dynode is required for good SER.

Signal-to-noise ratio

This figure of merit is important when a PMT is used in continuous mode (for example, in a flying-spot scanner) where the cathode photocurrent fluctuates randomly about a mean value. This phenomenon is referred to as statistical shot noise, and its influence on signal-to-noise ratio is described in depth in the Photonis application book.

Timing

Response pulse width

This is defined as the full width at half maximum (FWHM) of the anode current pulse delivered in response to a delta-function light pulse (Fig.19(a) and 20). Although it is not practicable to generate true delta-function light pulses, it is practicable to generate light pulses whose FWHM is much less than that to be measured.

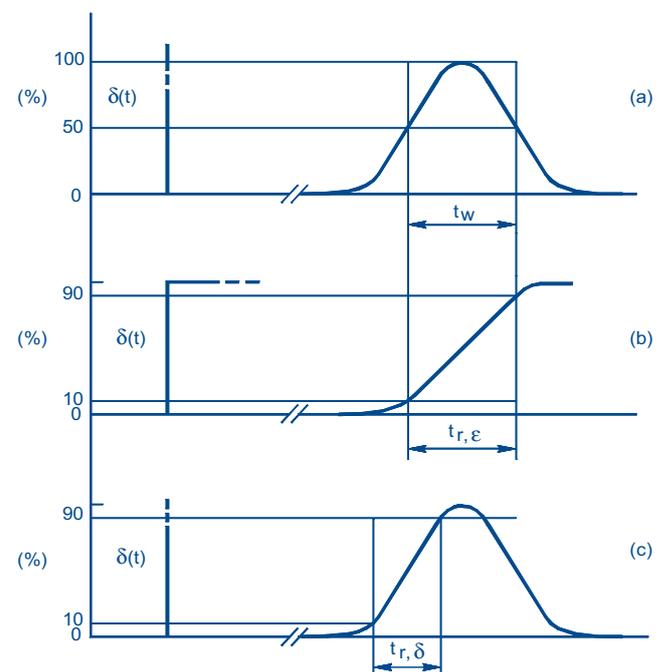


Fig.19
 (a) delta-function input response-pulse width t_w
 (b) step-function input response rise time $t_{r,\epsilon}$
 (c) delta-function input response rise time $t_{r,\delta}$

If the pulse response width is more than a few nanoseconds, it can be satisfactorily measured using light pulses of 1 ns FWHM. Modern lasers are capable of generating light pulses with a FWHM of <100 ps. Such lasers are expensive, however, and are usually only found in advanced measuring systems.

Rise time

Step-response rise time is properly defined as the time required for the anode current to increase from 10% to 90% of its final value in response to a unit step input. Measured under these conditions, the rise time approximately equals the response-pulse width for a delta function light (Fig.19(b)).

However, owing to the difficulty of producing unit steps of light, the rise time is by convention defined as the 10% to 90% rise time of the anode current pulse in response to a light pulse that approximates a delta function (Fig.19(c)). It varies from about 1.5 ns for photomultipliers with linear-focusing dynodes to about 15 ns for those with venetian-blind dynodes.

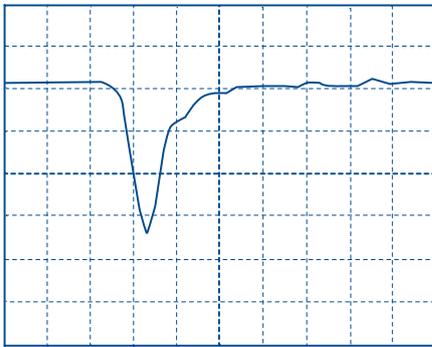


Fig.20 Anode pulse response of a fast-response PMT. Vertical scale, 100 mV/div Horizontal scale, 5 ns/div.

Transit-time and transit-time differences

The interval between the arrival of a light pulse at the cathode and that of the corresponding current pulse at the anode is called the transit time. Its mean value evaluated over a statistically large number of pulses, varies as $1/\sqrt{n_{ht}}$ and is usually of the order of several tens of nanoseconds.

In general, the mean transit time differs according to where on its surface the cathode is illuminated. When measured with reference to one point of illumination at the centre of the cathode and another at the edge, the corresponding *transit-time difference* Δ_{CE} is called the *centre-edge difference*.

Transit-time spread, time resolution

Transit-time fluctuations from light pulse to light pulse are observed when identical pulses strike the same part of the cathode (Fig.21).

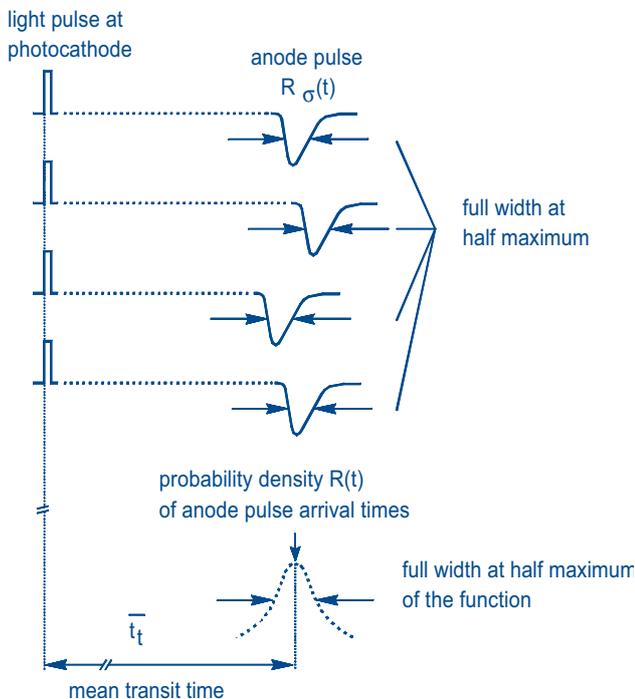


Fig.21 Response-pulse jitter due to transit-time fluctuations.

The *transit-time spread* (also called jitter, or time resolution) is defined as the FWHM of the probability distribution of the fluctuations. It is practically proportional to $1/\sqrt{n_k}$ where n_k is the number of photoelectrons per pulse. Like the transit-time differences, the time resolution depends on the size and location of the illuminated part of the cathode; it also depends

on the voltage applied to the electron-optical input system and on the spectral character of the illumination.

PHOTONIS specifies transit-time spread in terms of the standard deviation σ of the probability distribution of the transit-time fluctuations. It is a worst-case value based on single-photoelectron pulses originating from points distributed over the *whole* surface of the cathode ('open cathode'), i.e. including the centre-edge difference as defined in IEC standards. FWHM values are $\approx 2.34\sigma$.

How the time characteristics of a photomultiplier depend on the different parts of the tube, such as the input system, the multiplier, and the anode collection space, is covered in Chapter 4 in the Photonis application book.

Typical time response of some 'fast' tubes in single-electron mode

PMT type	t_r (ns)	t_w (ns)	Δ_{CE} (ns)	transit-time spread, σ (ns)	divider / HT
XP1911	2.4	3.8	1.5	1.0	B / 1700 V
XP2020	1.5	2.4	0.25	0.25	C / 2500 V
XP2020/UR ⁺	1.4	2.3	0.15	0.15	C / 3000 V
XP2262	2.0	3.0	0.7	0.5	B / 2300 V
XP2282	1.5	2.2	0.5	0.4	C / 2500 V
XP4312	2.1	3.3	0.5	0.4	C / 2500 V
XP4512*	2.1	3.0	0.8	0.6	B / 1700 V

t_r : anode pulse rise time (10%-90%);

t_w : anode pulse width (FWHM);

Δ_{CE} : center-edge transit-time difference;

σ : transit time spread measured for an open photocathode.

⁺: M. Moszynski, *Prospects for new fast photomultipliers*, NIM A337 (1993) pp.154-164.

*: M. Moszynski et al., NIM A307 (1991) pp.97-109.

Linearity

The ratio of the number of incident photons to the number of electrons collected at the anode is called *charge linearity*. The proportionality between incident flux and anode current is called *current linearity*; in this relationship therefore, *time* is an additional parameter. Limits on both charge and current linearity are set by internal and external factors. PHOTONIS' PMTs meet the highest linearity demands and have an excellent large dynamic range.

External factors affecting linearity

Power supply

Changes in inter-electrode voltages affect gain by influencing the dynode secondary emission factors and the electron trajectories.

Divider current

When the electrode voltages are derived from a resistive divider across a stabilized power supply, the anode current, I_a , tends to lessen the potential between the last dynode and the anode. This upsets the voltage distribution throughout the divider and causes an increase of gain comparable to what would be caused by increasing the high voltage by the same amount.

With a divider current I_d (at $I_a = 0$), the gain change is:

$$\frac{\Delta G}{G} \approx \frac{\alpha N I_a}{N+1 I_d}$$

where α is the exponent of gain variation (0.6 to 0.8), N is the number of dynodes and I_a the actual anode current.

Provided the decrease of voltage across the terminals of the last stage does not impair collection efficiency, the ratio $\Delta G/G$ has the same sign as I_a/I_d : an increase of I_a results in an increase of gain (Fig.22). This increase (or overlinearity) as a function of I_a is largely independent of N . For $\alpha = 0.7$, $N = 10$, and $I_a/I_d = 0.1$, it amounts to about 7%.

When the ratio I_a/I_d approaches unity, the expression for gain change no longer holds. The voltage drop in the last stage, which increases with I_a , becomes too great and collection efficiency declines rapidly, leading to an abrupt decrease of gain (Fig.22).

The maximum value of the ratio $\Delta G/G$ mainly depends on the voltage across the tube and how the drop between anode and last dynode affects the voltage distribution among the first stages.

The dependence of gain on anode current can be optimised using transistorized dividers, see Fig 31 (p.24).

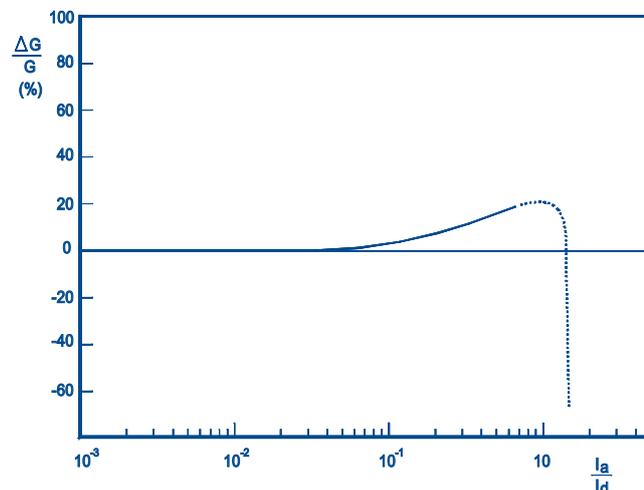


Fig.22 Gain variation (overlinearity) as a function of the ratio I_a/I_d .

Reservoir capacitors

When the anode current can reach high values for only a small fraction of the time (short-pulse operation), it is preferable to connect reservoir (or decoupling) capacitors to the dynodes. The charge stored by the capacitors must be sufficiently large compared with that supplied by each dynode when pulses pass through the tube so that the dynode potentials will not vary by more than one or two volts. Calculation of the required capacitance values differs according to whether the decoupling is parallel or series; in the latter case voltage variations are cumulative. For a capacitance calculation example, see Supply and Voltage Dividers.

Damping resistors

When a photomultiplier is operating in pulse mode, a high-frequency spurious oscillation superimposed on the anode pulses ("ringing") may be observed, even with pulses as wide as a few hundred nanoseconds. This oscillation, which affects the linearity characteristic of the tube, usually producing an overlinearity, may appear abruptly when the anode current exceeds a certain level. One way of overcoming this effect is to connect a 50 Ω non-inductive resistor in series with each of the last two or three dynodes. Fast-response photomultipliers with plastic bases have such resistors built-in. For other types

they must be wired into the socket, between the base and the decoupling capacitors.

Anode load

The voltage developed across the anode load subtracts from the last-dynode to anode voltage and, if it is not negligible compared with that, may affect linearity. As the load voltage rarely exceeds a few volts, however, this is seldom the case.

Internal factors affecting linearity

Space charge

At high currents, space charge can influence the electron trajectories, causing collection losses; at still higher currents it can cause some electrons to return to the surfaces from which they originate.

The current density is normally highest between the last dynode and the anode. To ensure a high field there, the anode is positioned close to the surface of the last dynode and made in the form of a grid through which the electrons pass on their way from the next-to-last dynode. Then, it is the field between the next-to-last dynode and the anode, which is 3 to 5 times lower, that sets the limit for current linearity in most photomultipliers, see Fig.12. That limit can be raised by using a progressive instead of an equal voltage distribution in the last stage so as to raise the voltage between the last two stages to as much as 300 V or more. To maintain correct focusing between dynodes without unduly increasing the gain, the inter-electrode voltages are progressively decreased in the anode to cathode direction so that the nominal value applies at the terminals of the first stages.

For tubes with focusing dynodes, the data sheets give, in addition to the conventional voltage distribution, one or two examples of recommended progressive distributions. Using these, the maximum pulse current in linear operation can be increased from 10 - 50 mA to 100 - 300 mA.

For tubes with venetian-blind or foil dynodes, the maximum pulse currents for linear operation are smaller (10 - 50 mA) because of the very low electric fields between all dynodes other than the last.

For most tubes, the current linearity limit due to space charge varies as V_{ht}^n , where n is between 2 and 3. This is merely approximate, but when the limit at one voltage is known from the published data it gives a practical indication of the limit at another voltage, especially if the onset of saturation is progressive. If linearity is not important, the maximum anode current that can be obtained before saturation is several times greater than the maximum for linear operation.

The space charge phenomena that limit current linearity exist for times comparable to the transit times between dynodes, that is, 1 to 2 ns. Even when linearity errors are severe, there is no charge accumulation and the errors are strictly related to the electron current passing between the last dynodes.

Current linearity is important when pulses are wide compared with the pulse response of the tube; when they are of the same order as the pulse response, it is no longer relevant. The significant parameter then is charge linearity. Depending on the shape of the pulses, higher peak anode currents, can be obtained under short-pulse conditions while still maintaining good charge linearity.

Data sheets specify only the current linearity limit, not the charge linearity limit, and for a worst-case situation with anode pulses about 100 ns wide.

Cathode resistivity

The electron-optical input system is designed on the assumption that the cathode is an equipotential surface. Any departure from that condition is likely to alter the electron trajectories and affect the collection efficiency of the first dynode. This is what can happen, at least in the case of semitransparent bialkali cathodes having no underlying conductive layer, when the cathode current is too large in relation to the surface resistivity. For example, a tube with a 45 mm diameter bialkali cathode exhibits a non-linearity of a few percent at a mean cathode current of about 10 nA at ambient temperature; at -30°C the same non-linearity occurs at a current of only 0.1 nA. In tubes with larger cathode diameters, the currents at which comparable non-linearity occurs are even lower.

Fortunately, the distributed capacitance of the cathode (about 1 pF) is sufficient to store a charge of about 10^{-12} C. At a gain of 10^5 , this corresponds to an anode pulse of 100 mA amplitude and 1 μ s duration; cases in which cathode resistivity actually presents a problem are therefore fairly uncommon.

Gain drift

Gain may undergo more or less reversible variations when the mean anode current varies. Although this too constitutes a linearity error, by convention it is treated as an instability.

Linearity measurement

Many methods of linearity measurement have been developed but all are limited to an accuracy no better than 2%. Two types of gain drift may interfere with the measurement (see next section):

- long-term, time-dependent drift,
- short-term shift due to changes of illumination.

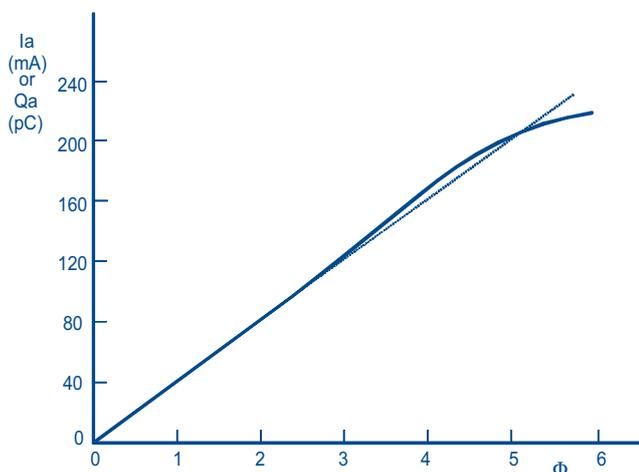


Fig.23 Typical current or charge linearity characteristics of a PMT operating from a supply with type B voltage division (photon flux Φ in arbitrary units).

To avoid these, the measurement must be made quickly and with a constant mean anode current not exceeding a few microamperes. The measurement should result in determining the anode current at which space charge limiting starts to become evident, avoiding all other causes of linearity limiting.

Figure 23 shows a typical linearity curve, in which a slight overlinearity appears before saturation. Such overlinearity is often observed with voltage dividers designed for delaying the

onset of saturation at high current levels. It can be corrected by adjusting the voltages of the stages immediately preceding the last, but at the cost of lowering the current threshold beyond which saturation occurs.

Several methods to measure linearity are described in the Photonis application book.

Stability

The term stability is used to describe the relative constancy of anode sensitivity with time, temperature, mean current, etc. The most important departures from constancy are:

- **long-term drift**, which is a time-dependent variation of gain under conditions of constant illumination,
- **short-term shift**, which is a variation of gain following a change in mean current.

Long-term drift

Two modes of long-term drift can be distinguished, according to whether the mean anode current is high or low.

High-current drift; operating life

Certain more or less irreversible effects are observable at mean anode currents larger than about 10 μ A. After long storage (e.g. a few months), a photomultiplier exhibits a large drift of gain for the first one or two days of operation. For some thousands of hours after that the gain is relatively stable, then it slowly decreases as a function of the total charge handled, Fig.24. The rate of these variations varies roughly as the anode current of the tube.

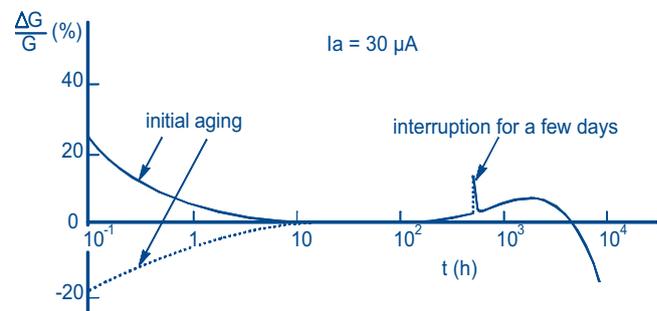


Fig.24 Relative gain variation of a PMT operating at high average current.

Operating life, defined as the time required for anode sensitivity to be halved, appears to be a function of the total charge delivered. Values of 300 to 1000 coulombs are typical. For an XP2012, this means e.g. 30 μ A for 5000 h. If the incident flux is reduced (by, say, 90%) or cut off completely, or if the supply voltage is switched off for several days, the following sequence can be observed when the original operating conditions are restored: first, a certain recovery of sensitivity accompanied by a renewed initial drift; then, a tendency to catch up fairly quickly with the slow decline of sensitivity at the point at which it was interrupted.

Figure 24 illustrates the relative gain variation of a photomultiplier operating at a mean anode current of 30 μ A. The initial drift, which can be considered an ageing period, is between 20% and 40%. The duration of the ageing period depends on the anode current; at 10 μ A it is about 24 hours. As long as the mean current does not fall below about 100 nA, ageing is still observable though very slow.

In most cases, if the gain is high and the cathode current low, the variations of anode sensitivity reflect variations of gain due to changes in the surface state of the dynodes.

When the mean anode current is only a few microamperes, total charge delivered is no longer the decisive factor for operating life. Other effects, such as helium migration through the glass or internal migration and diffusion balances, determine the end of useful life, which is then measured in years and is independent of the mode of operation.

The experience of many users indicates that continuous, uninterrupted operation results in better long-term stability of performance characteristics than storage.

Low-current drift

When a photomultiplier is switched on and subjected to more or less constant illumination, its gain changes over the first few hours or days (Fig.25). The amount of change differs from type to type and even from one specimen to another of the same type. In most cases, though, the rate of change quickly decreases to a few per cent a month, and the higher the current the quicker the gain stabilizes. It is sometimes worthwhile to speed the process by operating the tube initially at a current up to ten times higher than that expected in the intended application. It is also advisable to leave the tube switched on even when it is idle.

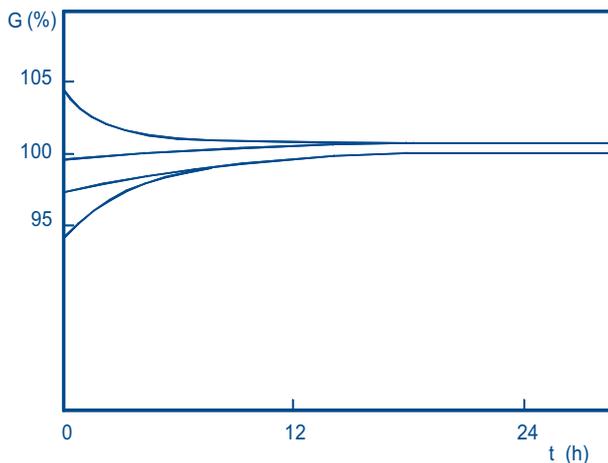


Fig.25 Examples of initial low-current drift.

PHOTONIS uses a widely recognized ANSI (American National Standards Institute N42.9-1972) test to characterize this type of drift. The test employs a scintillator and a ¹³⁷Cs source positioned so as to produce a fixed count rate between 10³ and 10⁴ per second. After a stabilization period of 30 to 60 minutes, the height of the ¹³⁷Cs peak (662 keV) is recorded every hour for the next 16 hours and the mean gain deviation (MGD) calculated from:

$$MGD \approx \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{17} (p-p_i)}{17} \cdot \frac{100}{p}$$

where p is the mean height of the peak averaged over the 17 readings and p_i the height corresponding to the ith measurement.

This type of drift is not related to the high-current long-term drift previously described. Though its major cause is also related to change in the structure of the emissive surfaces, other factors, such as the charge distribution at insulator surfaces (e.g. dynode spacers), may also play an important part. The MGD is <1.5% for all Photonis PMTs.

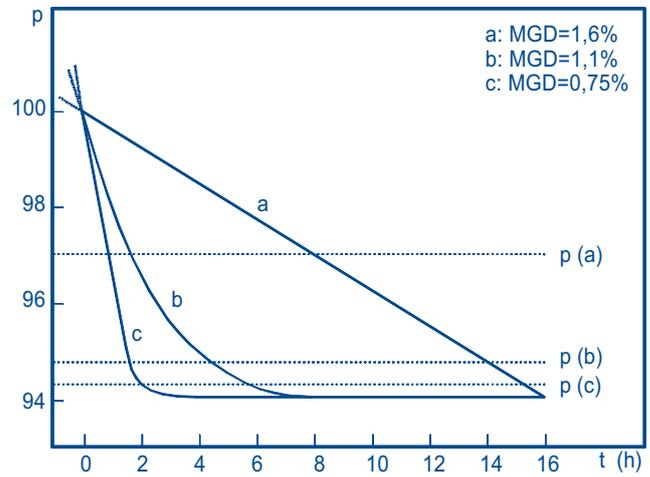


Fig.26 Anode sensitivity curves showing the same absolute change over 16 hours but different values of mean gain deviation (MGD) according to the ANSI method (p(a), p(b) and p(c) are the corresponding mean heights of the pulse peak average over 17 readings).

The ANSI test specification does not mention the anode sensitivity at which the test is to be performed. However, when a figure for long term stability is given, the mean anode current during the test must be specified. For convenience, the scintillator and source used in the ANSI test may be replaced by an LED. The low-current drift over 16 hours given in the product range tables is for an anode current of 0.3 μA.

Figure 26 gives some examples of anode sensitivity variation curves having the same maximum deviation but different MGD values.

For some applications, one may want to know the stability over a long period (for example, a month). It is possible to determine an MGD over such a period, but the measurement is more difficult because of the likelihood of drift in the measuring system itself. For such measurements, a radioactive source in combination with a scintillator is preferable to an LED because its long-term stability is much better.

Short-term shift (or count rate stability)

When the flux to which a photomultiplier is exposed gives rise to a mean anode current of less than 10 μA, the gain is usually sufficiently stabilized after about 10 or 15 minutes for its long-term drift to be disregarded. If the flux is then changed abruptly, the anode current, instead of assuming a new value abruptly, starts a new drift phase before stabilizing again (Fig.27).

Thus, the gain becomes a function (often an increasing one) of the mean value of the anode current reckoned over an interval of a second or longer.

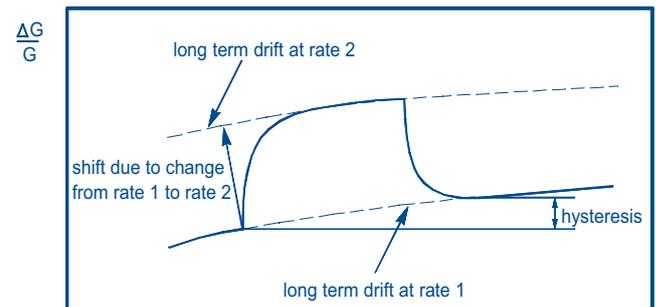


Fig.27 Long-term gain drift and short-term shift due to change of operating conditions.

The gain shift due to a change of average flux is also measured according to an ANSI test using a ^{137}Cs radioactive source and NaI(Tl) scintillator.

After a stabilization time of at least 15 minutes, the position (channel number) of the ^{137}Cs absorption peak is recorded at a count rate of 10^4 per second. The source is then moved to reduce the rate to 10^3 counts per second and the new position of the peak is recorded. The shift is characterized by the relative shift of the peak.

To take account of typical photomultiplier applications, the test is usually performed between 300 nA (at 10^4 counts per second) and 30 nA (at 10^3 counts per second), or between 1 μA and 100 nA, the value used in PHOTONIS data sheets or given on test tickets.

Tubes with bialkali cathodes and CuBe venetian-blind or SbCs coated dynodes are usually considered the most stable in respect of shift, gain variations of less than 1% being common for anode current variations of ten to one (from 1 μA to 100 nA).

Supply and voltage dividers

Correct use of a photomultiplier calls for observance of certain rules and circuit techniques. Those described here are indicative of present-day practice and sufficient to serve as a working guide. More detailed treatment of specific points is given in the Photonis application book.

Applying the voltage

Polarity

There are two ways of applying the high voltage to a photomultiplier:

- **positive polarity**, with the cathode earthed and the anode at high positive potential (Fig.28);
- **negative polarity**, with the anode earthed and the cathode at high negative potential (Fig.29).

The choice depends on the application.

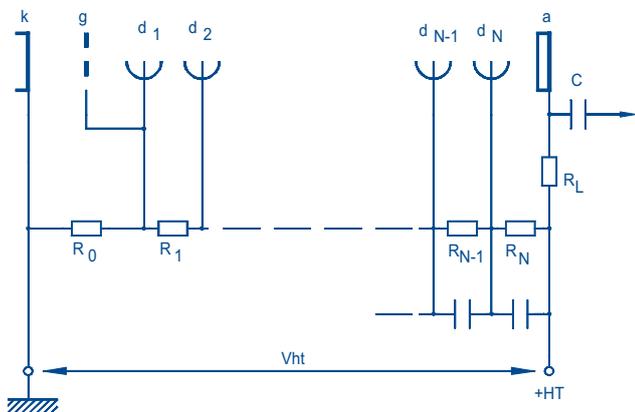


Fig.28 Positive-polarity voltage supply.

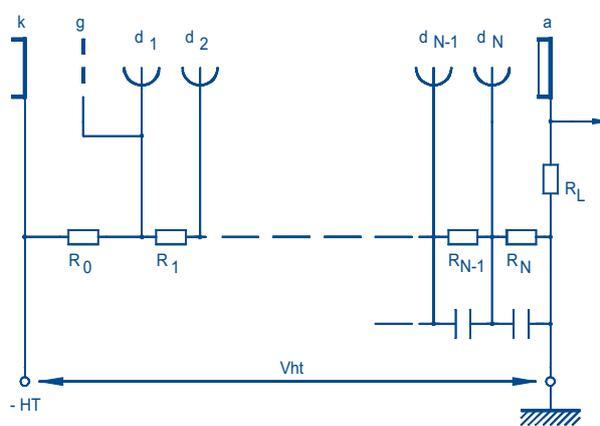


Fig.29 Negative-polarity voltage supply.

For pulse counting, positive polarity is usually preferred; the capacitor C isolates the measuring circuits from the high voltage. Positive polarity is convenient because it does not necessitate insulating the tube from its surroundings. Magnetic screens and the coatings of scintillators should, however, be held at photocathode (earth) potential.

For applications involving detection of continuous flux or very brief pulses, where use of a coupling capacitor would be unpractical, negative polarity has to be used. This necessitates special precautions to minimize its effect on dark current and to guard the tube against the potentially destructive effect of voltage gradients across the glass (electrolysis effect).

Rate of voltage application

Positive polarity. If the high voltage is applied abruptly to a photomultiplier connected in positive polarity (Fig.31), an initial pulse of amplitude $V_{ht}R_E/(R_L + R_E)$ is coupled through the capacitor to the preamplifier input and may cause damage. To avoid this it is advisable to use a decoupling network (shown dotted in Fig.30) with a time constant R_tC_t of at least one second. An alternative is to shunt a protection diode across the resistor R_E to eliminate all positive-going pulses at the preamplifier input.

Negative polarity. If voltage is applied abruptly to a tube connected in negative polarity, the amplitude of the initial dark-current transient may be high enough to damage sensitive measuring apparatus. Applying the voltage gradually reduces the transient or may even eliminate it. The RC time constant should be a few seconds.

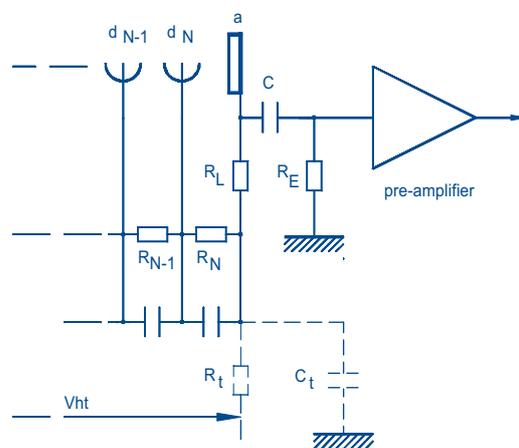


Fig.30 Network for decoupling the high-voltage switch-on transient from the amplifier input.

Voltage dividers

The choice of voltage divider, including the type of voltage distribution, depends on:

- **how the tube is operated;**
e.g. continuous, pulse or high-current operation,
- **the performance required;**
e.g. gain, linearity, timing, stability.

Besides supplying a standard range of voltage divider base sockets, PHOTONIS can provide application support to assist with the design of special divider circuitry.

Voltage distributions

Recommended voltage distributions are given in the data sheets for each tube. As described earlier, see Fig.10, there are three main types:

- **type A**, iterative voltage distribution;
- **type B**, progressive voltage distribution;
- **type C**, intermediate progressive voltage distribution.

Resistive dividers

Design of a resistive voltage divider depends on the supply voltage, the voltage distribution, and the anticipated mean anode current I_a . To ensure that voltage variations due to anode current variations are negligible, the nominal divider current I_d must be much larger than I_a ; a good rule is

$$\frac{I_d}{I_a} \geq 100$$

Consider a type C voltage distribution with $V_{nt} = 2500$ V, (Fig.10), an interdynode voltage increment V_d , and a division ratio such that there are precisely 21.1 increments. Let the maximum anticipated mean anode current I_a be $10 \mu\text{A}$. The divider current I_d must then be at least 1 mA, which means a total divider resistance of 2.5 M Ω and an incremental resistor value of $2.5 \times 10^6 / 21.1 \approx 120$ k Ω .

The resistors must be properly rated for power and voltage. The latter is important because some of them must withstand several hundred volts continuously. Tolerances should be not greater than 5%.

The I_d/I_a current ratio specified above represents a minimum for maintaining good linearity. Two other considerations limit the maximum value of the ratio.

- Heat due to dissipation in the divider ($I_d^2 \cdot R$) can cause an increase in the dark current, especially if the divider and tube are housed close together or with the tube vertical, cathode uppermost.
- Low divider current affords a measure of protection against accidental overexposure of the cathode; as soon as

anode current rises proportionately, gain drops abruptly and prevents the anode current from becoming excessive (Fig.22).

Transistorized dividers

To improve the stability of the last inter-stage voltages, transistors can be used instead of resistors (Fig.31). Using a standard resistive network limits the anode current to a few per cent of the divider current, so that the last inter-stage voltage drops are negligible.

Using transistors, however, allows the average anode current to be as high as half the divider current.

The divider current (I_d) flows through the R_0 to R_3 chain, before splitting into two parts, according to the R_{N-4} , R_{N-3} resistor values, (because the base-emitter voltage of transistor Q_1 is close to zero, R_{N-4} and R_{N-3} are almost in parallel).

To simplify, suppose both resistors have the same value, then $I_d/2$ flows through R_{N-4} and the chain of transistors, and $I_d/2$ also flows through R_{N-3} to R_N ($I_t \approx I_r$). The transistors are used as emitter-followers, which means their emitter voltages - and hence the last inter-stage voltages - follow the transistor base voltages. In other words, the inter-stage voltages are stable provided the base voltages are stable, which is true if the transistors have a high current gain ($h_{fe} > 50$), so the base currents (I_b) are negligible compared to I_r .

The transistors simply act as voltage sources irrespective of the collector current (I_c), whose value ranges from $I_d/2$, when the anode current is zero, down to virtually zero when the anode current is close to $I_d/2$. The steady-state value of I_c gives the absolute maximum I_a the design can handle. A safety margin is recommended, to prevent I_a reaching the value of I_c .

Depending on the required average anode current, 2, 3 or more stages can be transistorized, since the last inter-stage voltages are the most affected by the anode current. Each design may also be optimized by experimenting with different R_{N-4}/R_{N-3} resistance ratios.

Decoupling (Reservoir capacitors)

Provided the dynodes are adequately decoupled, instantaneous values of current in pulse operation may greatly exceed the mean value of the divider current. In observing the rule $I_d/I_a \geq 100$, the value taken for I_a should be the mean anode current based on the anticipated pulse amplitude and duty factor. Decoupling to restore the charge transferred by pulses passing through the tube may be either parallel, or series, Fig.32; the latter arrangement is often preferable as it enables capacitors with lower voltage ratings to be used.

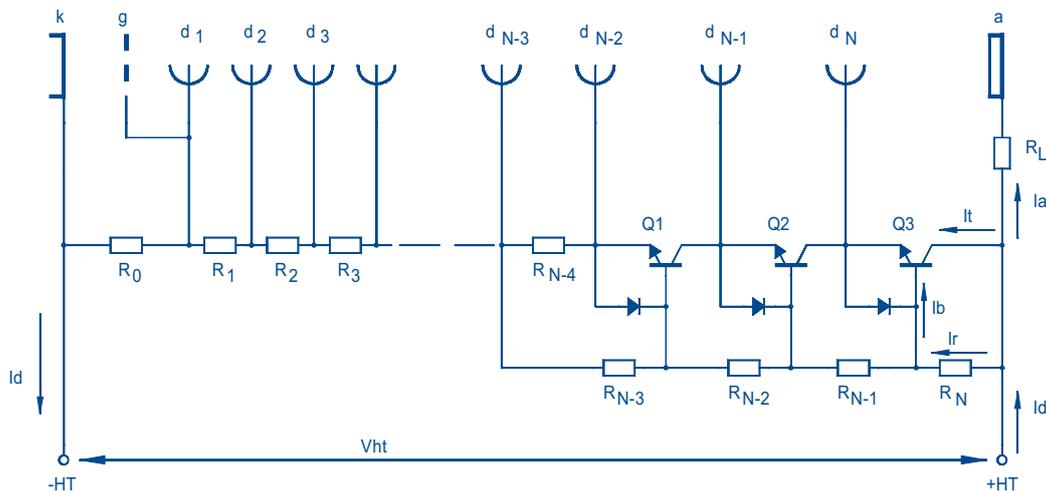


Fig.31 Using transistors to keep constant inter-electrode voltages on the last stages, even at high count rates.

These are smaller and less expensive than those for parallel decoupling.

The capacitance required is largest between the last dynode and anode, where the pulse amplitudes are largest, and decreases from stage to stage in proportion to the gain per stage. If $q = I_a t$ is the maximum pulse charge to be delivered by the last dynode, and ΔV the maximum voltage change that can be tolerated at that dynode, the capacitance required between the last dynode and anode is $C = q/\Delta V$.

Example

The anode pulses expected in a given scintillation counting application have a maximum amplitude of 1 mA and a full-width at half maximum of 0.3 μ s, therefore,

$$q = 10^{-3} \text{ A} \times 0.3 \times 10^{-6} \text{ s} = 0.3 \times 10^{-9} \text{ coulomb.}$$

If the voltage difference between the last dynode and anode is 100 V and its maximum tolerable change is 1%, the required capacitance is then:

$$C_n = 1 \text{ V} \times 0.3 \times 10^{-9} \text{ C} = 0.3 \text{ nF.}$$

Assuming a stage-to-stage gain of 3, the capacitances needed in the preceding stages are

$$C_{n-1} = 0.1 \text{ nF}$$

$$C_{n-2} = 33 \text{ pF.}$$

Stages in which the capacitance is less than about 20 pF do not require reservoir capacitors; the stage-to-stage stray capacitance is usually sufficient.

If pulses occur in bursts there may be insufficient time between individual pulses to allow the reservoir capacitances to recharge fully. The effect of successive pulses is then cumulative and dynode voltages may change appreciably between the beginning and end of a burst, even though the long-term mean anode current is substantially less than $I_a/100$. In that case, the voltage divider will have to be redesigned for a larger value of I_a .

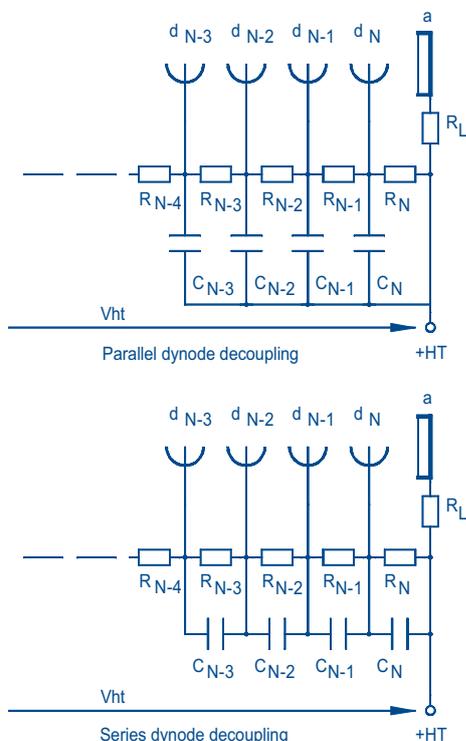


Fig.32 Parallel and series dynode decoupling.

Anode resistor

Whether the tube is connected in positive or negative polarity, the anode potential must be fixed.

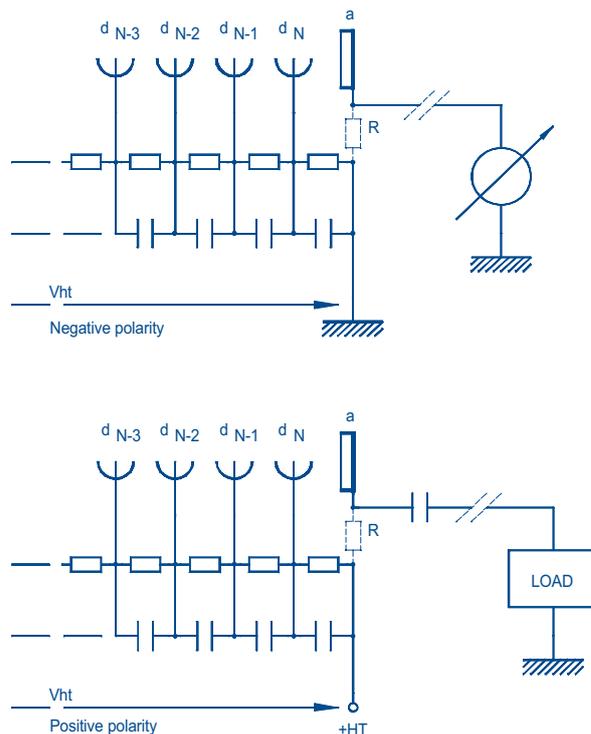


Fig.33 Fixing the anode potential with the tube connected in negative or positive polarity.

If the tube is connected in negative polarity and direct coupled to the measuring apparatus, the anode potential is clamped by the internal resistance of the apparatus. However, if the output is disconnected even briefly while the high voltage is still applied, the anode will acquire a negative charge which may damage the apparatus when connection is restored. Therefore it is advisable to fit a protection resistor (dotted in Fig.33) between the anode and earth.

As it is shunted across the high internal resistance of the photomultiplier, the protection resistance must also be high. The value chosen depends mainly on the load circuit and is typically $\geq 10 \text{ k}\Omega$.

If the tube is connected in positive polarity and capacitively coupled to the measuring circuitry, a resistor between the anode and the positive terminal of the high voltage supply is essential; this resistor can also constitute the anode load. Once again, the resistance must be reasonably high and depends mainly on the input impedance of the measuring circuitry.

Gain adjustment

Gain characteristics differ from tube to tube. Sometimes, though, it is necessary to ensure that a number of tubes working together operate at equal gain. There are two ways to do this (Fig. 34).

Supply voltage adjustment

Gain can be adjusted by adjusting the high voltage supplied to each tube. If the tubes do not have separately adjustable supplies but are fed from a common supply, their voltages can still be adjusted by ballast resistors connected in series with their respective voltage dividers. Even though the current from the supply is practically constant, the ballast resistors should be decoupled.

Dynode voltage adjustment

This is often used when it is not practical to adjust the high voltage supply to each tube. Gain can be altered by altering the voltage of any dynode, but an intermediate one is always chosen to avoid interfering with the collection efficiency of the electron-optical input system or the output stage. Of the two adjustment circuits (shown in Fig.34), the (b) version is preferable if the divider current is high; it makes it possible to use a high-value potentiometer (about 1 M Ω) with a low power rating (≤ 0.75 W). In both the (a) and (b) versions, resistors should be connected on both sides of the potentiometer to limit its working voltage; in practice, the range of control variation required is usually far less than the maximum possible. As all terminals of the potentiometer are at a fairly high voltage, the potentiometer must be well insulated.

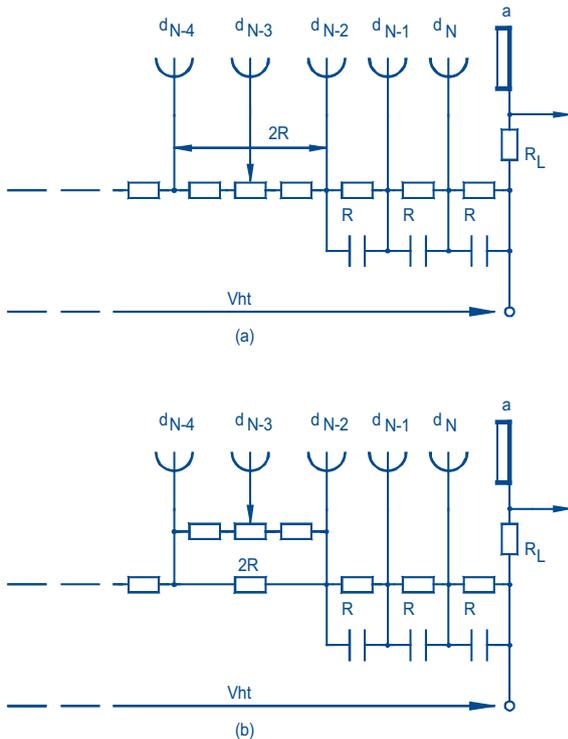


Fig.34 Alternative circuits for adjusting gain by adjusting the voltage of one dynode.

Dynode voltage adjustment is more effective with focusing than with venetian-blind or foil dynodes. A disadvantage of it is that it can impair stability and increase susceptibility to magnetic fields; on the other hand, time characteristics are relatively unaffected.

Supply for multiple tubes

When many photomultipliers are used together, the high voltage can be supplied either separately to each or by a single supply common to all.

Separate supplies

Separate supplies are preferable. They prevent any reaction between tubes and, if they are adjustable, facilitate individual gain adjustment. Compact, adjustable and non-adjustable, individual supply modules are marketed, as well as supplies with several, separately adjustable output channels. The latter, though, are usually bulky and expensive.

Common supply

Common supply to a number of tubes is often used when the current required from each is low. Each then has its own voltage divider to minimize reaction between tubes and its own provision for gain adjustment, which may be a potentiometer either

- in series with the divider (Fig.35);
- or controlling the voltage of one of the dynodes (Fig.36).

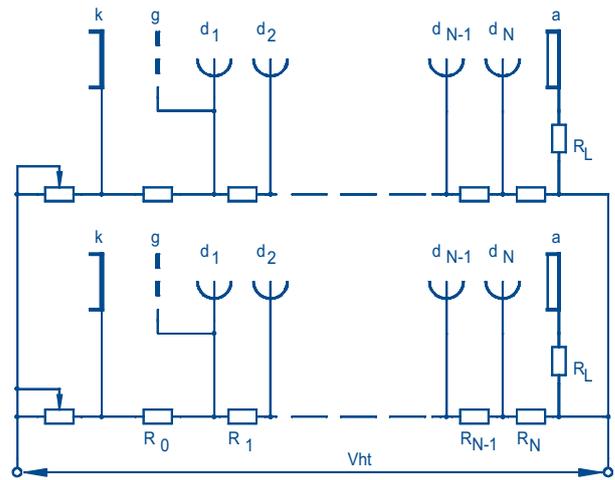


Fig.35 High-voltage supply for photomultipliers in parallel.

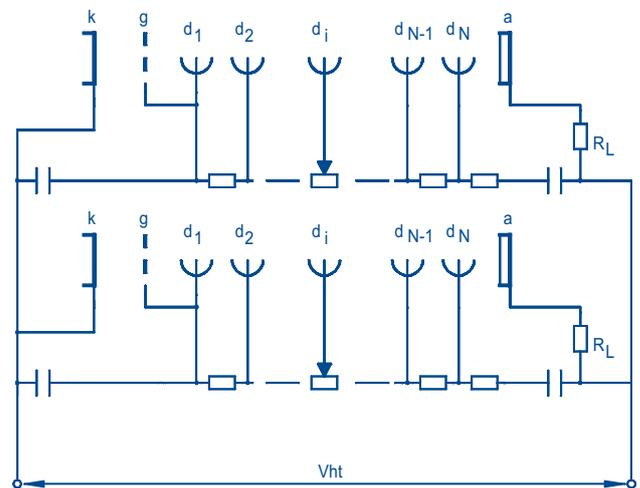


Fig.36 High voltage supply for photomultipliers in parallel.

Placing a potentiometer in series with the resistor chain is a good solution particularly for tubes operated with the cathode at ground potential. For tubes operated with the anode at ground potential, the cathodes of each tube are at different potentials, so the tubes must be insulated from each other to prevent electrolysis phenomena (from voltages across tube walls) which may shorten tube life.

If a potentiometer is connected between the $(i+1)$ th and $(i-1)$ th dynodes to move the potential of the i th dynode away from its normal value, check that collection efficiency in the input stage is not degraded (which can happen when d_5 is used) and that the linearity, and hence the dynamic range, remains at an acceptable level when the last dynodes are involved.

Magnetic fields

Magnetic fields even as weak as the earth's affect photomultiplier performances. This can be demonstrated by rotating a horizontally mounted tube about its main axis. The resulting variation of anode sensitivity is due to the varying effect of the earth's field on the electron trajectories, and the corresponding variation of collection efficiency in all stages. Highly focused tubes, in which the electron impact areas on the dynodes are small, are the most sensitive to magnetic

effects; a transverse flux density of a few tenths of a millitesla can reduce gain by 50%. In a tube with venetian-blind dynodes, the field required to produce the same effect would be up to three times as large.

Magnetic influence is greatest in the electron-optical input system, where electron trajectories are longest. Increasing the voltage across the input system increases the energy of the electrons and decreases the sensitivity to magnetic fields.

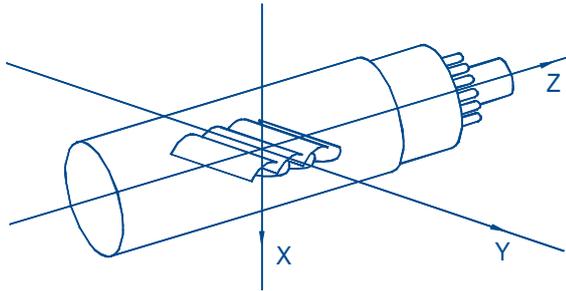


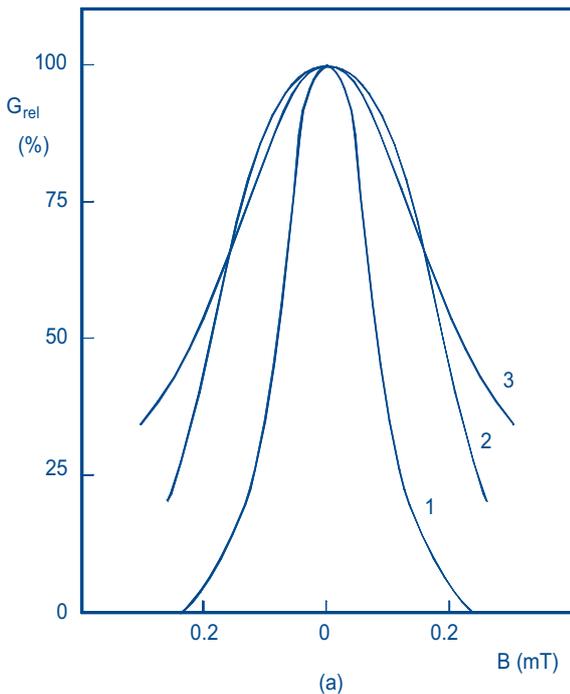
Fig.37 Axes used in measuring magnetic sensitivity.

Tubes with linear-focusing dynodes are most sensitive to magnetic influence when the field is parallel to the dynodes (axis Y in Fig.37). Tubes with venetian-blind dynodes are least sensitive when the field is parallel to the axis of the tube.

Magnetic sensitivity is measured relative to three perpendicular axes (Figs 37 and 39).

Data sheets give either the measured sensitivity curves or the values of magnetic flux density parallel to each axis at which gain is halved. The data are for optimum operating conditions. Magnetic sensitivity is greater when electrode potentials are not optimum, as is the case when gain is deliberately decreased by defocusing a dynode or the accelerating electrode.

Strong fields may permanently magnetize some parts of a photomultiplier, lastingly affecting its performance. If that happens, the tube can be demagnetized with a coil producing a flux density of about 10 mT, at 50 Hz.



Magnetic shielding

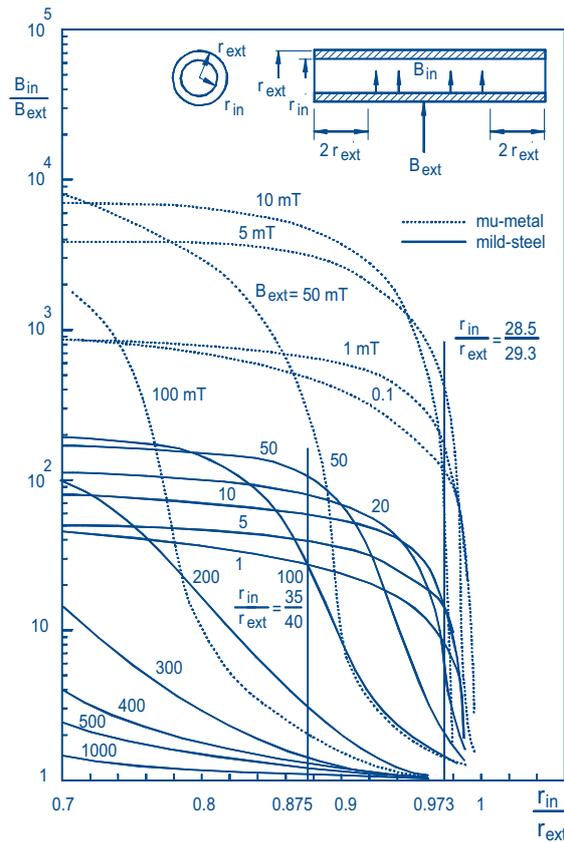


Fig.38 Comparative effectiveness of mu-metal and soft iron magnetic shields.

Since fields as weak as the earth's can affect sensitivity, a mu-metal shield is always desirable. At flux densities of more than a few milliteslas, however, such a shield saturates and becomes ineffective. It must then be surrounded by a supplementary shield, usually of soft iron.

Fig.39 Relative gain variation as a function of magnetic field for a tube with: (a) linear-focusing dynodes, and (b) with venetian-blind dynodes.

- Curve 1:** field aligned with y-axis (Fig.37).
- Curve 2:** field aligned with x-axis.
- Curve 3:** field aligned with z-axis.

Shielding effectiveness, based on material and dimensions, can be determined from Fig.38. For example, a mild-steel shield 70 mm in diameter and 5 mm thick ($r_{in}/r_{ext} = 0.875$) in a flux density of 100 mT gives an attenuation of about 30. An inner mu-metal shield 57 mm in diameter and 0.8 mm thick ($r_{in}/r_{ext} = 0.973$) gives an additional attenuation of about 300, leaving a residual flux density that is well below the 0.05 mT to 0.1 mT sensitivity threshold of most tubes.

Magnetic shields should extend about one diameter beyond the cathode plane, especially if the flux density is high. If the tube is operated in negative polarity, the shielding must be completely insulated from the glass or connected to the cathode potential via a protective resistor to prevent potential gradients across the glass wall causing electrolysis phenomena and permanent damage to the PMT photocathode.

Environmental considerations

Environmental factors - chiefly temperature, magnetic fields, background radiation, and atmosphere - can affect the operation of a photomultiplier in varying degrees, temporarily or permanently. To a large extent the effects can be guarded against or compensated.

Temperature

By the nature of their photoemissive and secondary emissive materials, photomultipliers are also sensitive to temperature variations. These affect three of the main characteristics:

- **spectral response** (the shape of the curve);
- **dark current** (the thermionic component);
- **anode sensitivity and gain** (secondary emission coefficients).

Changes in characteristics due to temperature variations within the permissible limits are usually reversible, though there may be some hysteresis that disappears only gradually.

Effects of temperature on the photoemission and secondary-emission surfaces are complex. They depend not only on the composition of the surfaces but also, to some extent, on the type of tube; and even between tubes of the same type there are appreciable differences. However, tendencies and average values can be identified. In storage as well as in use, photomultipliers must be kept within the temperature limits specified in their data sheets, usually -30°C to 80°C. Beyond those limits effects such as sublimation of the cathode or stresses in the glass may occur.

Specific tubes for high temperature are available (XP85051 and XP83092 families).

Always consult PHOTONIS before considering operation of a photomultiplier outside its published temperature limits.

Effect on spectral sensitivity

The spectral sensitivity characteristic does not vary much with temperature. The greatest relative variation is usually observed close to the photoemission threshold. For a given application, therefore, it is advisable to choose a tube with a type of cathode that makes it possible to operate far from the threshold.

Bialkali SbKCs cathode. The temperature coefficient is very low in the wavelength range 400 nm to 500 nm where sensitivity is maximum, and may go to zero there or change sign. For temperature intervals -20°C to 20°C, and 20°C to 60°C, it is nowhere greater than 0.15% in the range 400 nm to 500 nm. Furthermore, its variation with temperature is very small at short wavelengths.

Multialkali cathodes. These are characterized by a negative temperature coefficient throughout most of the useful spectrum. Note that the ERMA type, whose response extends farther into the red, has a larger temperature coefficient than the standard multialkali type.

Effect on cathode resistivity

The resistivity of photocathodes varies inversely with temperature. This can limit the minimum operating temperature, especially of bialkali SbKCs cathodes which, at room temperature, have a resistivity a hundred to a thousand times greater than that of multialkali cathodes (Fig.40). The practical minimum for bialkali cathodes is -20°C (if the cathode current is more than 0.1 nA).

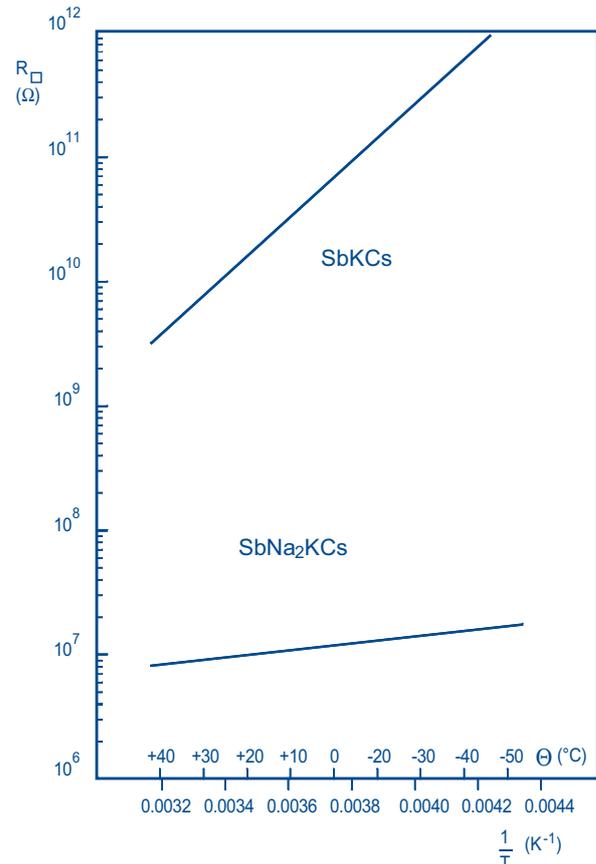


Fig.40 Surface resistivities of two photoemissive materials as functions of temperature.

Thermionic emission characteristics of common photocathodes

type of cathode	thermionic emission at 20°C (A/cm ²)	temperature rise for which thermionic current doubles (K)	minimum useful cooling temp. (°C)
AgOCs	10 ⁻¹³ - 10 ⁻¹¹	5 - 7	-100
SbKCs	10 ⁻¹⁹ - 10 ⁻¹⁷	4 - 5	-20
SbNa ₂ KCs	10 ⁻¹⁹ - 10 ⁻¹⁵	4	-40
SbNa ₂ KCs (ERMA)	10 ⁻¹⁷ - 10 ⁻¹⁵	4	-40

Effect on the dark current

The thermionic component of the dark current obeys Richardson's law, therefore, both dark current and dark pulse rate increase strongly with temperature. The rate of increase depends mainly on the cathode material but may differ considerably from one tube to another of the same type. This is because some components of the dark current, such as thermionic emission, field emission and leakage current have different temperature coefficients and differ in relative importance from tube to tube. For the same reason, the dark current and dark pulse rate do not usually continue to decrease below a certain temperature, and in some cases may even increase, particularly in tubes with multialkali cathodes.

Effect on gain and anode sensitivity

Dynode secondary emission also varies with temperature (though less so than cathode thermionic emission) and correspondingly affects gain.

The temperature coefficient of gain is usually negative and depends not only upon the composition of the dynode surfaces, but also upon that of the cathode and, to some extent, the structure of the multiplier. For CuBe dynodes the coefficient is about -0.1% per degree with bialkali and trialkali cathodes. It is smaller in tubes with venetian-blind and foil dynodes than in those with focusing dynodes.

Variations in anode sensitivity reflect variations in both cathode sensitivity and multiplier gain. At certain temperatures and wavelengths these may be equal and opposite, cancelling each other.

Atmosphere

Humidity

Because of the high voltages used, operation in a damp atmosphere can lead to insulation problems. Condensation gives rise to leakage currents which increase the dark current. Local insulation breakdowns may also occur. Take particular care to avoid condensation on the glass, at the pins, and especially inside the plastic base. If moisture does get into the base, it will be necessary to drill a hole in the base key to enable it to escape.

Ambient pressure

Photomultipliers can operate satisfactorily at low ambient pressure, but precautions against flashover at the pins are necessary at pressures below 10 kPa (175 torr). *For operation or storage at high ambient pressure, consult PHOTONIS; permissible pressures differ from type to type and are not usually given in the data sheets.*

Helium partial pressure

Glass is permeable to helium, the rate of penetration being proportional to the helium partial pressure. Of the glasses used in photomultipliers, lime glass (soft glass) is the least permeable; borosilicate glass and fused silica (hard glasses) are, respectively, about 100 and 1000 times more permeable. Helium intrusion increases the afterpulse factor and shortens the life: a tube with a fused silica window in a helium partial pressure of 100 kPa has a useful life of only a few days; this is a hazard to be guarded against in helium-cooled high-energy physics experiments. The partial pressure of atmospheric helium is normally about 0.7 Pa, which is low enough to allow an average useful life of some ten years. Finally, note that helium penetration increases with temperature.

Mechanical stress

Like all electron tubes, photomultipliers should be protected against undue mechanical and temperature stress. Vibration or shock transmitted to the dynodes can modulate the gain (microphony).

Radiation

Permanent loss of gain and sensitivity is a serious risk only in very high radiation environments, such as parts of extraterrestrial space where electron flux can reach 10^{10} electrons per square centimetre per second, and in high-energy physics experiments. Under those conditions the emissive properties of the dynodes change and the input window darkens, affecting the transmission at shorter wavelengths. Lime glass windows are more sensitive than others to prolonged radiation. The thin photoemissive layer is relatively unaffected, probably because its absorption coefficient for ionizing radiation is low.

In case photomultiplier tubes are used in a high radiation environment, this may lead to a degradation of the transmission coefficient of the window. Some studies have been made (K.W. Bell & al. NIM section A469 (2001) 29-46 **The development of vacuum phototriode for the CMS electromagnetic calorimeter**) and shown that UV-transparent borosilicate is a suitable glass for this purpose.

Permanent alteration of gain and sensitivity becomes noticeable only after exposure doses of about 10^4 rad.

Reference

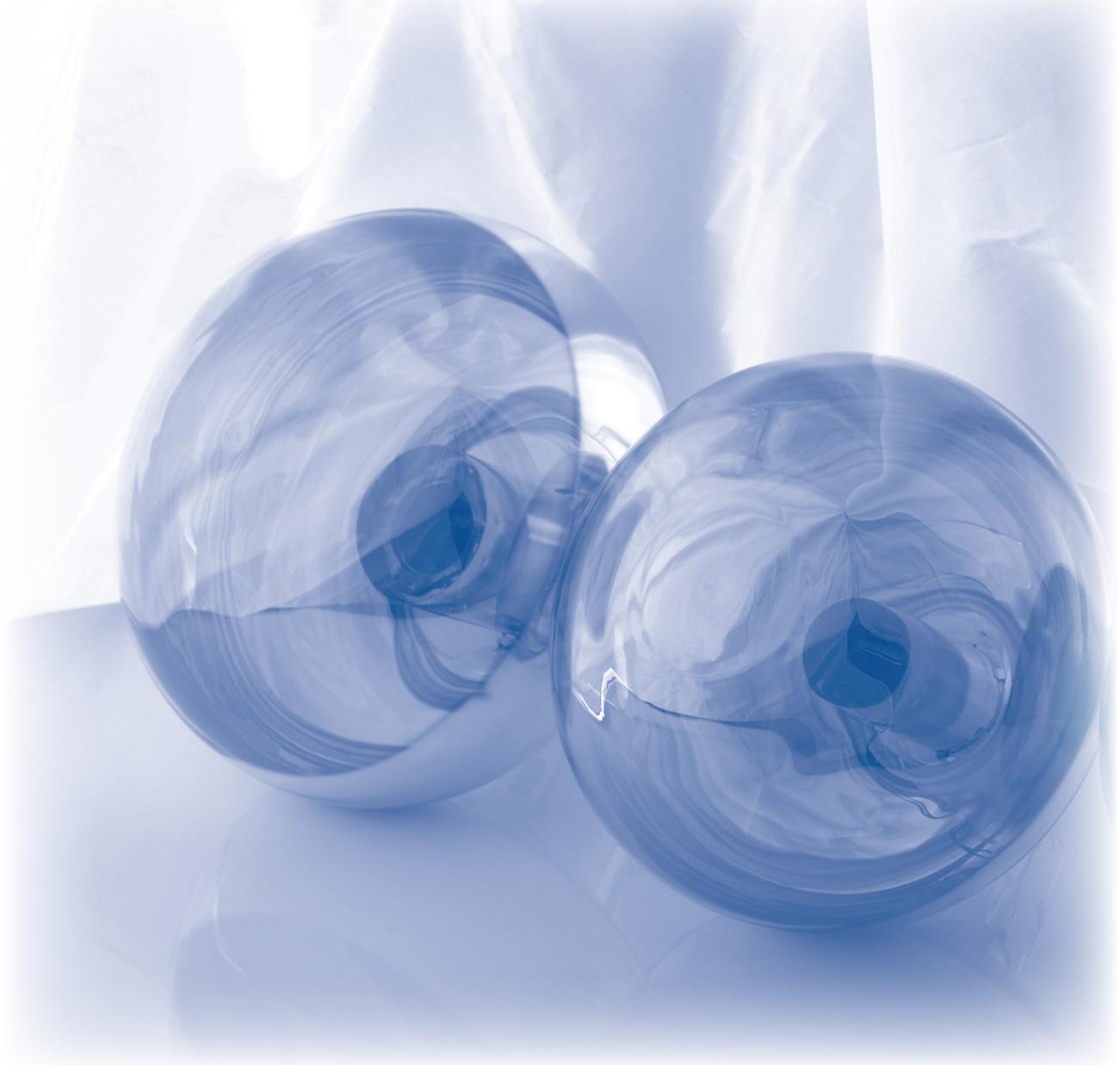
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Choosing a PMT

Searching with the type list

If you already know the type number, the main characteristics or applications, please refer to the **Part 1 - Type list and selection guide**.

Type numbers ending in 'B' are plastic based. All-glass and based versions are however available for most types.

Standard finishing options are also available :

XP1302 _ _

Finishing _____ **Options**

F with flying leads Ø 0.5 **C** with electrostatic coating
(conductive paint connected to
the cathode + insulating coating)

FB with flying leads
and plastic base

Please contact us to discuss any specific product requirements.

Searching the data tables

The published minimum, typical and maximum values are derived from measurements of tubes taken from production over a long period (up to several years for some tubes).

Other values are derived from sampling measurements. The tubes listed are organised by tube diameter for historical reasons. Maintenance tubes, prototype tubes, and customer specific tubes are not listed.

For each tube, general data are given and the key features of the tube are described with the relevant measurements.

Number of stages

General-purpose tubes usually have eight or ten stages and a gain of 10^3 to 10^7 at an applied voltage of 600-1800 V. Lowering the voltage impairs fast response and linearity, so if lower gain is required, choose a tube with fewer stages. For gain higher than 10^7 , choose one with more stages; the additional stages enable interdynode voltages to be kept moderate and so prevent dark current from becoming excessive. A tube with twelve stages will safely give a gain of 10^8 ; a higher gain limits the output current pulse range and is seldom justified. A fast-response tube operating at a gain of 10^9 with a type A voltage distribution (for maximum gain) approaches its linearity limit even with single-electron pulses.

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Key features

Dynode structure / number of stages

Cathode luminous sensitivity ($\mu\text{A}/\text{lm}$) typ.

Cathode blue sensitivity ($\mu\text{A}/\text{lmF}$) min
typ.

Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W) typ. at (nm)

Gain typ. Published gain curves and gain values are given for type A dividers unless stated otherwise.

Supply voltage typ.
min. (V)
max. (V)

Anode dark current typ. (nA)
max. (nA)

Anode dark counts typ. (cps)
max. (cps) Anode dark counts above 0.2 photoelectron threshold.

Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA) Maximum anode pulse current for which the relationship between the input illumination and output current is linear to within 2%. Linearity performances are reached with a progressive B type divider.

Time response rise (ns)
Full Width at Half Maximum FWHM (ns) Voltage division other than indicated in the 'Voltage dividers' table may be required to reach the specified values.

Pulse Height Resolution PHR (%) Energy resolution highly depends on both crystal quality and packaging.

Maximum ratings supply voltage (V) Maximum ambient temperature range: -30 °C to +50 °C; maximum average anode current: 0.2 mA.
gain

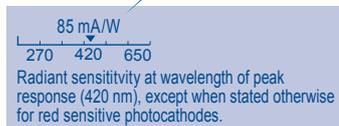
Accessories Voltage divider These voltage dividers optimize linearity and time response. Voltage division is different to that indicated in the 'Voltage dividers' table.

Socket See Accessories Part.

Mu-metal shields

XP...

b.c.: box and circular cage
b.g.: box and grid
b.l.: box and linear
c.c.: circular cage
linear: linear focused
MCP: microchannel plates (two)



Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)

Spectral upper limit, photocathode material dependent:

- 650nm: Bialkali
- 700nm: GEBA (green extended bialkali)
- 850nm: Multialkali (red sensitive)
- 900nm: ERMA (extended red multialkali)
- 950nm: GaAs
- 1050nm: AgOCs (infrared sensitive)

Wavelength of radiant sensitivity measure

Spectral lower limit, glass dependent:

- 150nm: Sapphire
- 160nm: Fused silica (quartz window)
- 190nm: UV-glass
- 270nm: Borosilicate glass
- 290nm: Lime glass

Gain

The gain curves are typical for each tube type. To determine the actual gain curve for an individual tube, plot the gain stated on the test ticket at the indicated supply voltage, and shift the published gain curve vertically (up or down) so that it passes through the plotted point. In other words, simply draw a line parallel to the published line which passes through the plotted point.

Linearity

For applications demanding a high dynamic range, the anode charge linearity or the anode pulse peak current becomes an important parameter. Linear-focused multipliers then provide the best choice.

Response speed

If the rise time required is less than 2 ns, or the required bandwidth more than about 100 MHz, choose a fast-response tube. Such tubes also have the best time resolution.

If the rise time required is a few nanoseconds, or the required bandwidth between 50 and 100 MHz, a standard tube with linear-focusing dynodes is a good choice. Tubes with venetian-blind or foil dynodes are comparatively slow and not suitable for bandwidths of more than about 10 MHz.

Product customisation

Photocathode spectral sensitivity and size

If the light to be detected is monochromatic, choose a PMT whose maximum sensitivity is as close as possible to the same wavelength. If it is not monochromatic, look for the best match between sensitivity and spectral distribution. Keep in mind that the greater the sensitivity in the red, the greater the thermionic emission. And that variations of sensitivity from tube to tube or with temperature are largest close to the photoemission threshold.

The choice of photocathode diameter depends mainly on the size of the incident light beam or source: beam or source size determines the minimum practical diameter but not the maximum. If the equipment or installation does not impose strict constraints on size or weight, tubes with large diameter cathodes are often preferable to smaller ones (up to about 2" or 51 mm). They are generally more stable and have higher permissible anode currents, and dark current does not vary in strict proportion with cathode diameter.

Drawing keys

Dn: the final dynode of each tube.
K: photocathode.
A: anode(s).
G: accelerating/focusing electrodes.
D: dynodes.
i.c.: internally connected, do not use.
n.c.: not connected, do not use.
s.p.: short pin.
ct: coating means the glass envelope is covered with a conductive coating connected to the cathode. The black paint on top of this coating is neither guaranteed to be light-tight nor insulating.

For a better legibility, drawings are not to scale. Please, refer to figures dimensions.

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Technical interface

To optimally serve our customers, we employ product specialists dedicated to each major market segment and familiar with its particular requirements. You can access them directly by phone or e-mail (details on this catalogue back cover) or on www.photonis.com.

Product range

A broad range of variants can be made by composing with photocathode, window, glass, dynode materials, number of stages or configuration and pin connection scheme.

Please contact us to discuss any specific product requirements.

Selection and product optimisation

One way of obtaining a specific requirement is to select one or more parameters from the production parameter spread for a standard tube. Although probably the easiest way to meet a requirement, there are drawbacks. The main ones are cost and delivery time (set by our production schedule for standard tubes). A better approach is to incorporate your specific requirement into our manufacturing processes. The advantages are lower cost and more flexible delivery times.

Product data

Continuous technical advances mean that product data changes quickly. We deliver test tickets or data listing and can provide electronic files when needed.

Quality

Quality plays a key role in all our business operations. Being ISO9001 certified, we are regularly audited which helps us to improve what we do and how we do it. Moreover, because we believe quality can be shared and improved by synergy, we welcome customer audits of our operations.



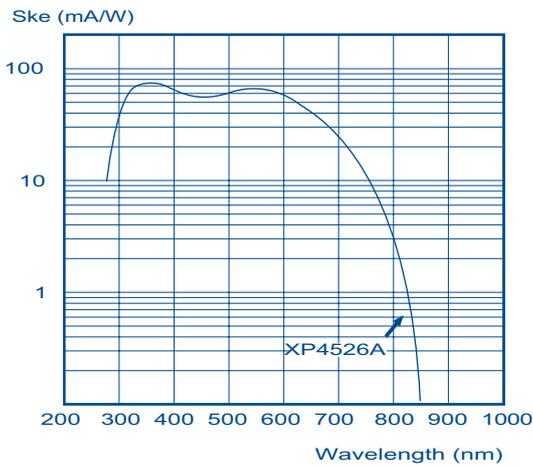
Dormer window tube

XP4526A

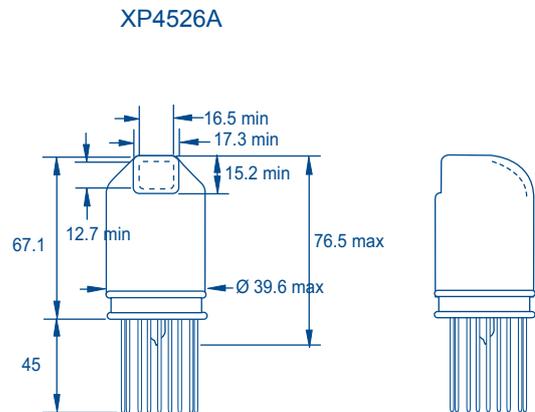
Key features		red sensitive
Dynode structure / number of stages		c.c./10
Cathode luminous sensitivity (µA/lm)	typ.	315
Cathode red sensitivity (µA/lmF)	min	80
	typ.	140
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)	73 mA/W
		270 530 850
Gain	typ.	9.5×10^4
Supply voltage	typ.	1250
	min. (V)	---
	max. (V)	---
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	1
	max. (nA)	10
Anode dark counts	typ. (cps)	---
	max. (cps)	---
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)		---

Time response	rise (ns)	2
	FWHM (ns)	---
PHR (%)		---
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	2000
	gain	10^5
Accessories	Voltage divider	---
	Socket	---
	Mu-metal shields	MS2243

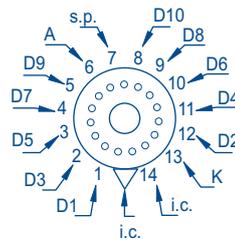
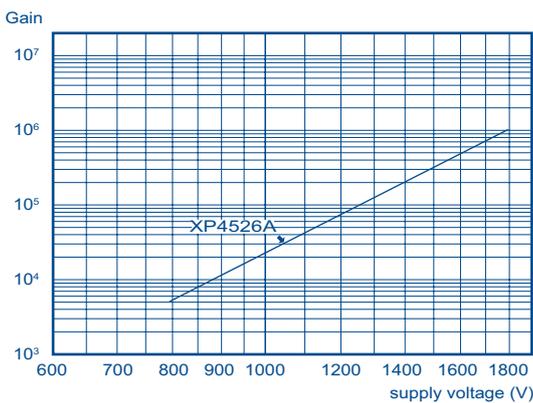
Typical spectral characteristics



Dimensions and pinning



Typical gain curves



Voltage dividers

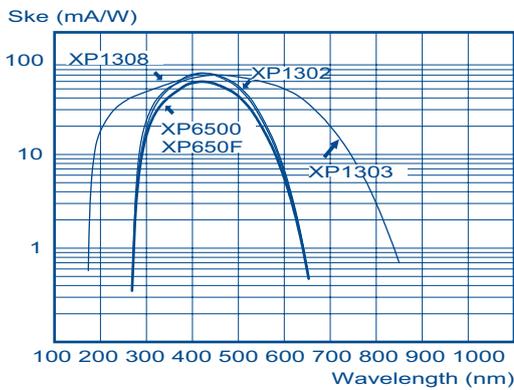
Tube	A divider type voltage ratios (for maximum gain)											
	K	D1	D2	D3	D4	D5	D6	D7	D8	D9	D10	A
XP4526A	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

13 mm (1/2") tubes

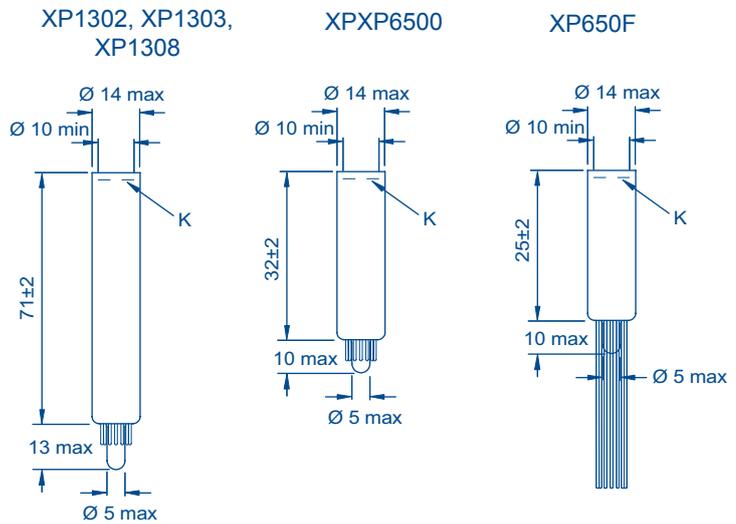
		XP1302	XP1303	XP1308	XP6500	XP650F	
Key features		---	red-sensitive	UV sensitive, quartz window	very low-profile	very low-profile, flying leads	
Dynode structure / number of stages		linear focused/10	linear focused/10	linear focused/10	foil/9	foil/9	
Cathode luminous sensitivity (μA/lm)	typ.	105	180 (100 min)	105	75	75	
Cathode blue sensitivity (μA/lmF)	min	9	---	9	7.5	7.5	
	typ.	10	---	10	9	9	
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)	$\frac{85 \text{ mA/W}}{270 \quad 420 \quad 650}$		$\frac{20 \text{ mA/W}}{270 \quad 700 \quad 850}$		$\frac{85 \text{ mA/W}}{160 \quad 420 \quad 650}$	
		$\frac{70 \text{ mA/W}}{270 \quad 420 \quad 650}$		$\frac{70 \text{ mA/W}}{270 \quad 420 \quad 650}$			
Gain	typ.	1.4x10 ⁶	3x10 ⁶	1.4x10 ⁶	3.3x10 ⁶	3.3x10 ⁶	
Supply voltage	typ.	1000	1200	1000	1000	1000	
	min. (V)	700	900	700	800	800	
	max. (V)	1100	1500	1100	1200	1200	
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	1	2	1	2	2	
	max. (nA)	15	20	15	15	15	
Anode dark counts	typ. (cps)	50	500	50	---	---	
	max. (cps)	200	1000	200	---	---	
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)		20	---	20	---	---	
Time response	rise (ns)	2.5	2.4	2.5	2.9	2.9	
	FWHM (ns)	3.5	5.4	3.5	4.2	4.2	
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	1250	1600	1250	1300	1300	
	gain	1.4x10 ⁷	2.6x10 ⁶	1.4x10 ⁷	1.8x10 ⁶	1.8x10 ⁶	
Accessories	Voltage divider	VD307/A	VD307/A	VD307/A	VD197/A	VD197/A	
	Socket	FE3113	FE3113	FE3113	FE1113	---	
	Mu-metal shields	---	---	---	---	---	

XP1302/PC is the photon-counting variant of XP1302
 XP1303 minimum radiant sensitivity at 700nm: 10mA/W
 XP1322 is the low-profile variant of XP1302 (height 62 mm instead of 71 mm) and XP1322/PC is its photon-counting variant
 XP1362 is the low-profile 6-stage variant of XP1302 (height 51 mm instead of 71 mm)
 XP1382 is the low-profile 8-stage variant of XP1302 (height 56.5 mm instead of 71 mm)

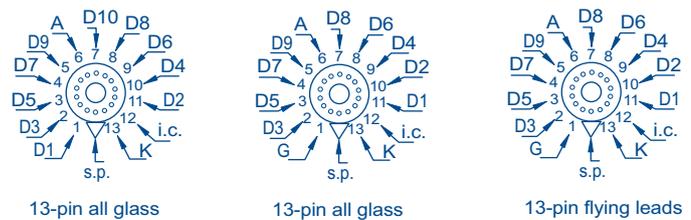
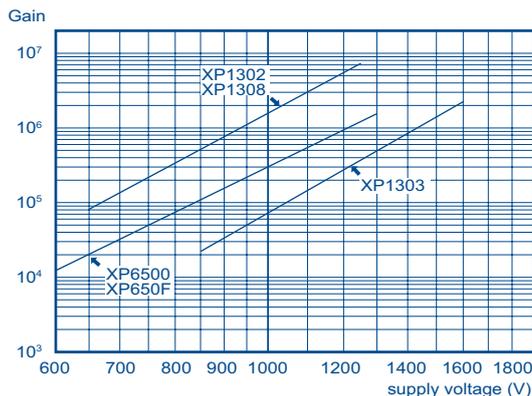
Typical spectral characteristics



Dimensions and pinning



Typical gain curves



Voltage dividers

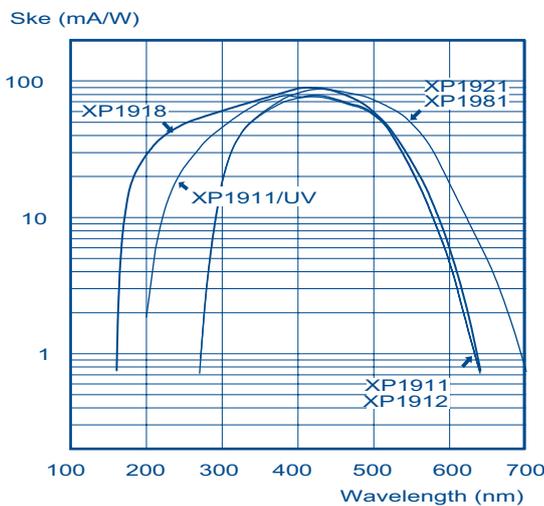
Tube	A divider type voltage ratios (for maximum gain)											
	K	D1	D2	D3	D4	D5	D6	D7	D8	D9	D10	A
XP1302, XP1303 XP1308	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

19 mm (3/4") tubes

		XP1911	XP1911UV	XP1912	XP1918	XP1921	XP1981
Key features		---	UV-sensitive	low-voltage	UV-sensitive	green-sensitive	green-sensitive
Dynode structure / number of stages		focused/10	focused/10	focused/10	focused/10	focused/6	focused/8
Cathode luminous sensitivity (µA/lm)	typ.	100	90	100	90	115 (90 min)	115 (90 min)
Cathode blue sensitivity (µA/lmF)	min	9	9	9	8.5	---	---
	typ.	11	10.5	11	10.5	11.5	11.5
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)	85 mA/W 290 420 650		80 mA/W 190 420 650		85 mA/W 290 420 650	
		80 mA/W 190 420 650		80 mA/W 160 420 650		90 mA/W 290 420 700	
Gain	typ.	9.5x10 ⁵	9.0x10 ⁵	9.0x10 ⁵	1.0x10 ⁶	3.8x10 ³	8.7x10 ⁴
Supply voltage	typ.	1200	1200	1200	1 150	800	1 100
	min. (V)	1 000	1 000	920	1 000	650	900
	max. (V)	1 350	1 350	1 280	1 350	1 000	1 300
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	2	2	5	3	2	2
	max. (nA)	10	---	20	25	20	20
Anode dark counts	typ. (cps)	---	2 000	---	---	---	---
	max. (cps)	---	5 000	---	---	---	---
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)		80	80	60	80	80	80
Time response	rise (ns)	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2	2
	FWHM (ns)	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.2	3.2
PHR (%)		7.5	7.5	16	7.5	7.5	7.2
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	1 900	1 900	1 700	1 900	1 500	1 800
	gain	1x10 ⁷	1x10 ⁷	1x10 ⁷	1x10 ⁷	5x10 ⁴	1x10 ⁶
Accessories	Voltage divider	VD108, VD308	VD108, VD308	VD108, VD308	VD108, VD308	---	VD108, VD308
	Socket	FE1004, FE3112	FE1004, FE3112	FE1004, FE3112	FE1004, FE3112	FE1004, FE3112	FE1004, FE3112
	Mu-metal shields	MS178	MS178	MS178	MS178	---	MS178

PHR: for radiation source ¹³⁷Cs, NaI Tl scintillator, Ø 12mm, h25 mm ; XP1912 radiation source ²²Na, B.G.O. square scintillator, 19 mm x 19 mm, h30 mm.

Typical spectral characteristics

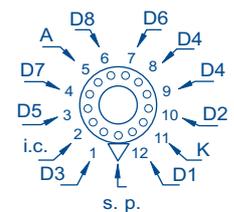
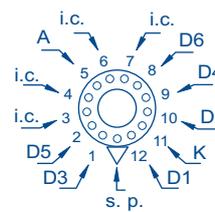
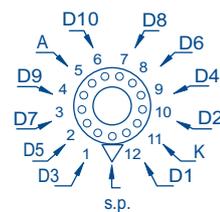
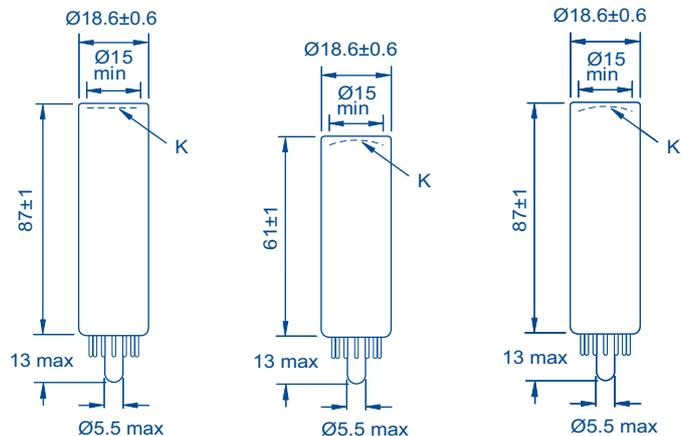


Dimensions and pinning

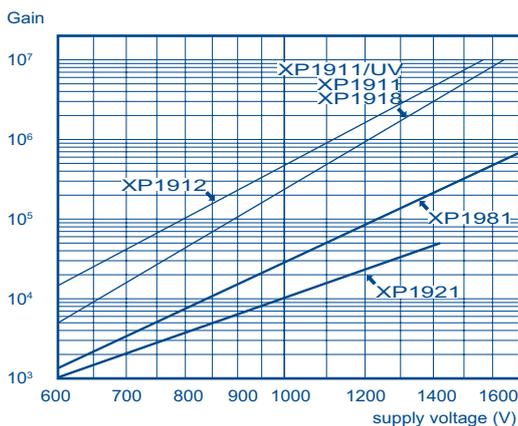
XP1911, XP1911UV, XP1912, XP1918

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Typical gain curves



Voltage dividers

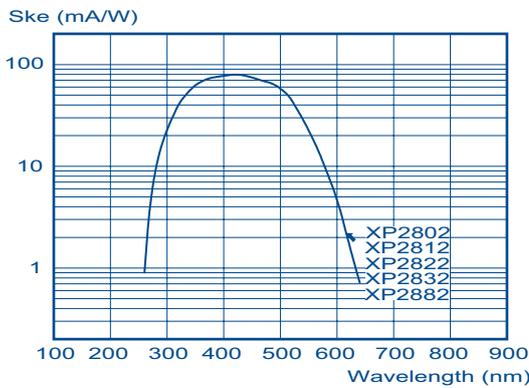
Tube	A divider type voltage ratios (for maximum gain)							
	K	D1	D2	D3	D4	...	Dn	A
XP1911, XP1911UV, XP1912, XP1918, XP1921, XP1981	2	1	1.5	1	1	...	1	1

19 mm (3/4") tubes

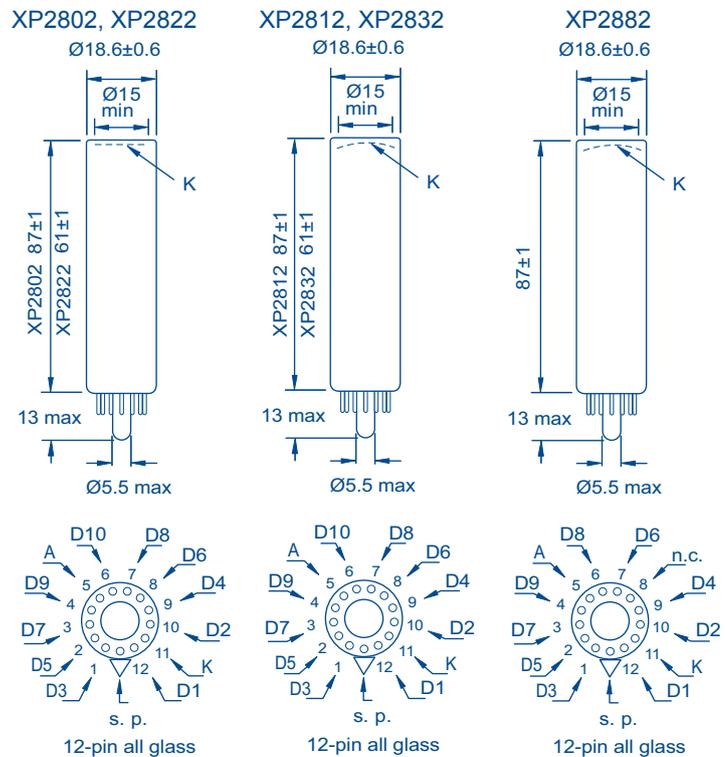
		XP2802	XP2812	XP2822	XP2832	XP2882	
Key features		low-noise	fast, low noise	low noise	low-profile, fast, low noise	fast	
Dynode structure / number of stages		focused/10	focused/10	focused/10	focused/10	focused/8	
Cathode luminous sensitivity (μA/lm)	typ.	80	80	80	80	80	
Cathode blue sensitivity (μA/lmF)	min	9	10,5	10,5	10,5	10,5	
	typ.	10.5	9	9	9	9	
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)	80 mA/W 270 400 650		80 mA/W 270 400 650		80 mA/W 270 400 650	
Gain	typ.	9.0x10 ⁵	9.0x10 ⁵	9.0x10 ⁵	9.0x10 ⁵	2.8x10 ⁵	
Supply voltage	typ.	900	900	900	900	1000	
	min. (V)	700	700	700	700	800	
	max. (V)	1 110	1 100	1 100	1 100	1 200	
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	
	max. (nA)	3	5	5	5	5	
Anode dark counts	typ. (cps)	50	100	100	---	---	
	max. (cps)	200	250	250	---	---	
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)		---	---	---	50	---	
Time response	rise (ns)	2.2	1.8	2.2	1.8	1.8	
	FWHM (ns)	5	3	5	3.0	3	
PHR (%)		8	7.5	8	7.5	7.5	
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	1 700	1 700	1 700	1 700	1 500	
	gain	1x10 ⁷	1x10 ⁷	1x10 ⁷	1x10 ⁷	3x10 ⁶	
Accessories	Voltage divider	VD1A8	VD1A8	VD1A8	VD1A8	VD1A8	
	Socket	FE1004, FE3112	FE1004, FE3112	FE1004, FE3112	FE1004, FE3112	FE1004, FE3112	
	Mu-metal shields	MS178	MS178	---	---	---	

PHR: for radiation source ¹³⁷Cs, NaI Tl scintillator, Ø 12mm, h25 mm.
 XP2802/PC is the photon-counting variant of XP2802.
 XP2822/PC is the photon-counting variant of XP2822.

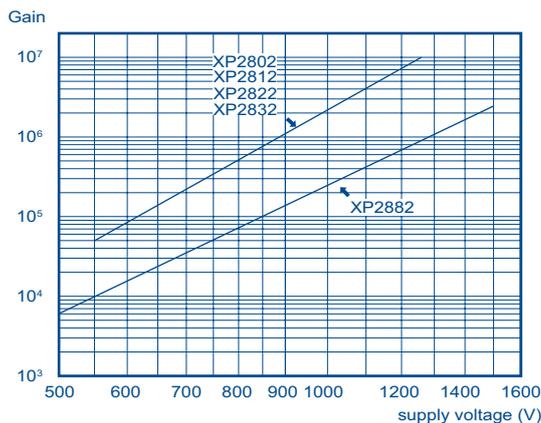
Typical spectral characteristics



Dimensions and pinning



Typical gain curves



Voltage dividers

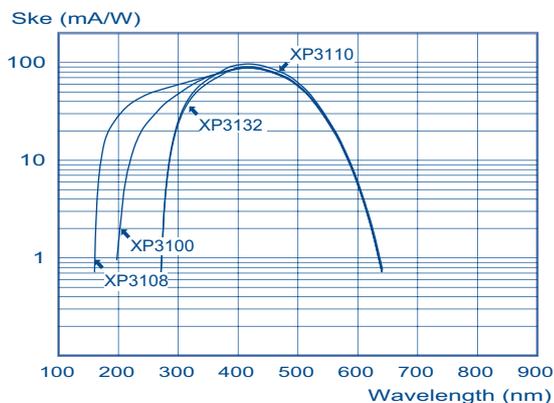
Tube	A divider type voltage ratios (for maximum gain)									
	K	D1	D2	D3	D4	...	Dn	A		
XP2802, XP2812, XP2822, XP2832, XP2882	2	1	1	1	1	...	1	1		

25 mm (1") tubes

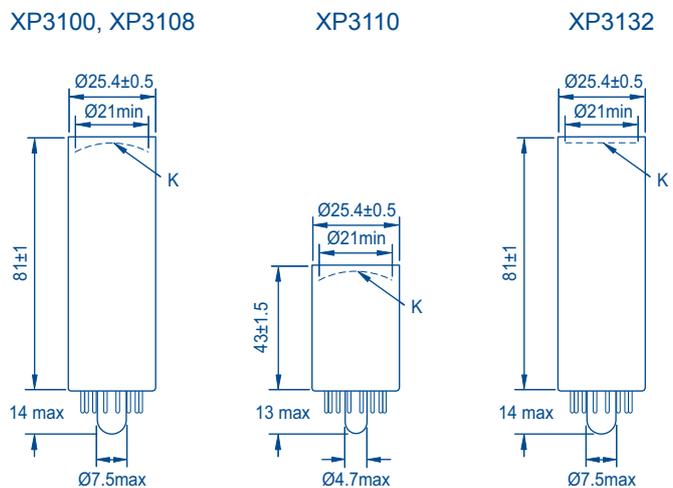
		XP3100	XP3108	XP3110	XP3132
Key features		fast, UV-sensitive	fast, UV-sensitive	fast, low noise, low-profile	low noise
Dynode structure / number of stages		focused/10	focused/10	c.c./10	focused/10
Cathode luminous sensitivity ($\mu\text{A}/\text{lm}$)	typ.	90	90	90	90
Cathode blue sensitivity ($\mu\text{A}/\text{lmF}$)	min	9	9	9	9
	typ.	11	11	11	11
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)				
	Gain	typ. 9.1×10^5	typ. 9.1×10^5	typ. 9.1×10^5	typ. 9.1×10^5
Supply voltage	typ.	1 100	1 100	1 000	1 100
	min. (V)	900	900	700	900
	max. (V)	1 300	1 300	1 100	1 300
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	1	1	1	1
	max. (nA)	5	5	5	5
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)		30	30	30	30
Time response	rise (ns)	2	2	2	2
	FWHM (ns)	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1
PHR (%)		7.7	7.7	10	7.7
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	1 800	1 800	1 600	1 800
	gain	1×10^7	1×10^7	1×10^7	1×10^7
Accessories	Voltage divider	VD101T/A	VD101T/A	---	VD101T/A
	Socket	FE3214/W, FE3214/PC	FE3214/W, FE3214/PC	FE3114	FE3214/W, FE3214/PC

PHR: for radiation source ^{137}Cs , NaI Tl scintillator, \varnothing 25 mm, h25 mm; for XP3110 radiation source ^{57}Co
 XP3110PC is the photon-counting variant of XP3110

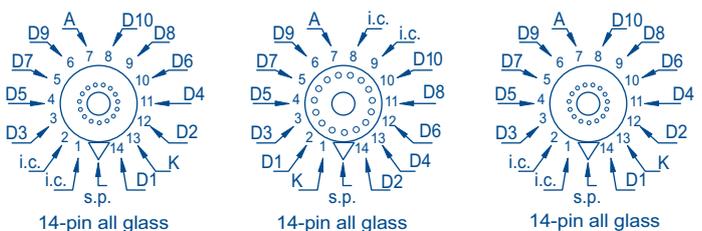
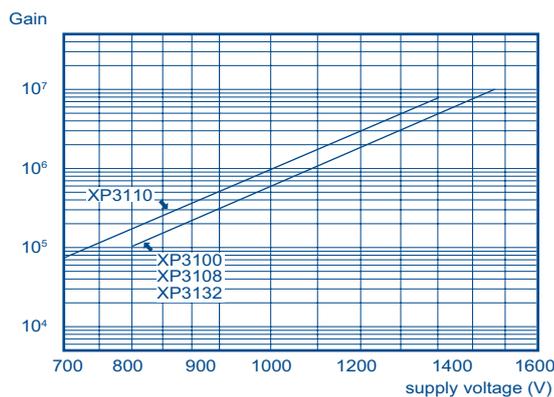
Typical spectral characteristics



Dimensions and pinning



Typical gain curves



Voltage dividers

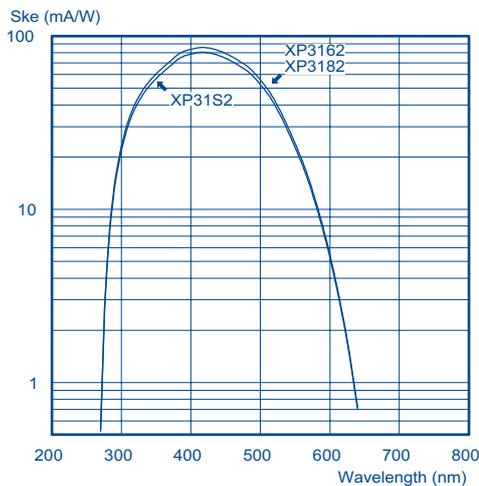
Tube	A divider type voltage ratios (for maximum gain)							
	K	D1	D2	D3	D4	...	Dn	A
XP3100, XP3132	2	1	1.5	1	1	...	1	1
XP3110	3	1	1	1	1	...	1	1

25 mm (1") tubes

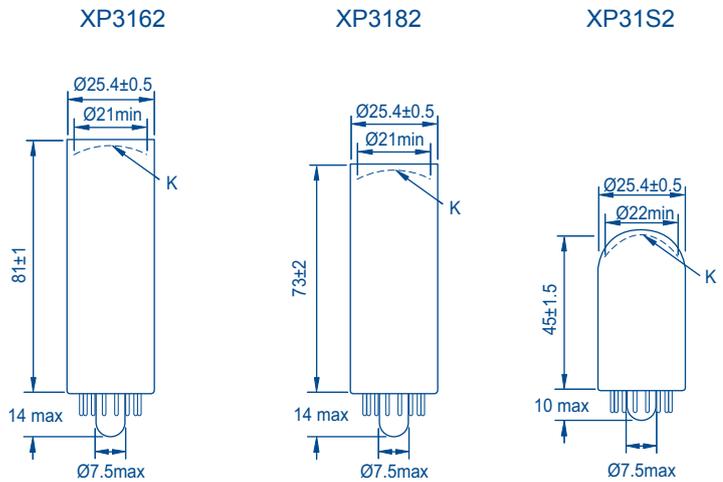
		XP3162	XP3182	XP31S2
Key features		---	---	fast, low profile, 2 π hemispherical
Dynode structure / number of stages		focused/6	focused/8	focused/10
Cathode luminous sensitivity ($\mu\text{A}/\text{lm}$)	typ.	90	90	75
Cathode blue sensitivity ($\mu\text{A}/\text{lmF}$)	min.	9	9	8.5
	typ.	11	11	10
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)	85 mA/W 270 400 650	85 mA/W 270 400 650	80 mA/W 270 400 650
Gain	typ.	9.1×10^3	5×10^4	1×10^6
Supply voltage	typ.	700	870	1000
	min. (V)	600	700	900
	max. (V)	800	1 100	1 250
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	1	0.2	0.3
	max. (nA)	5	1	1
Anode dark counts	typ. (cps)	---	---	200
	max. (cps)	---	---	500
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)		10	40	2
Time response	rise (ns)	2.9	2.9	2
	FWHM (ns)	4.5	4.5	3.1
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	1 200	1 500	1 500
	gain	10^5	10^6	1×10^7
Accessories	Voltage divider	---	---	VD1A1T/A
	Socket	FE3214	FE3214	FE3214

XP31SF is the flying lead variant of XP31S2 ($\varnothing 0.6$ mm, length 43 ± 5 mm).

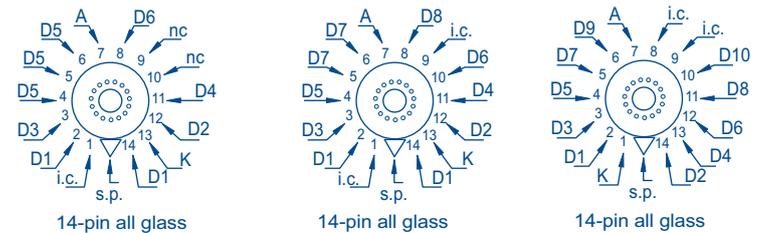
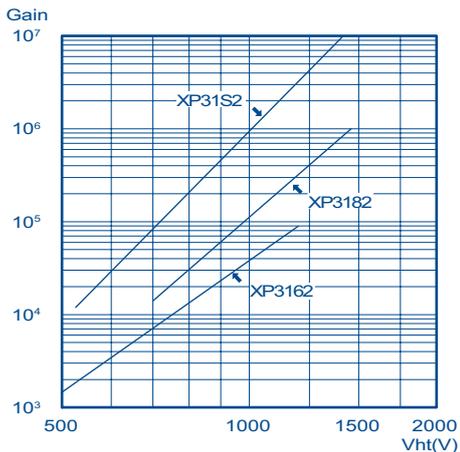
Typical spectral characteristics



Dimensions and pinning



Typical gain curves



Voltage dividers

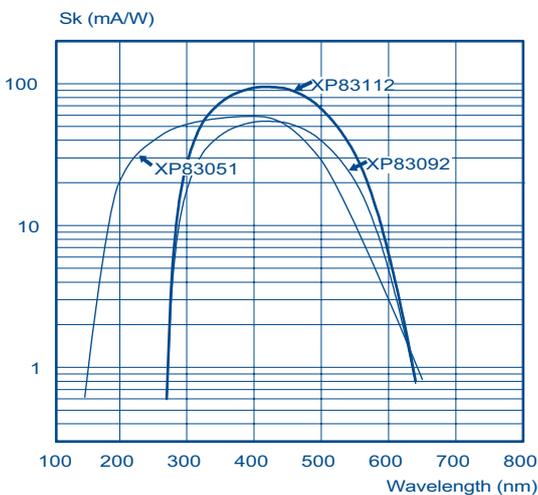
Tube	Voltage divider ratios									
	K	D1	D2	D3	D4	...	Dn	A		
XP3162 (typeA)	2	1	1.5	1	...		1			
XP31S2 (type A)	3	1	1	1	...		1			
XP3182 (typeC)	K	D1	D2	D3	D4	D5	D6	D7	D8	A
	3	1	1.5	1	1.5	2	2.5	5	2.5	

25 mm (1") tubes

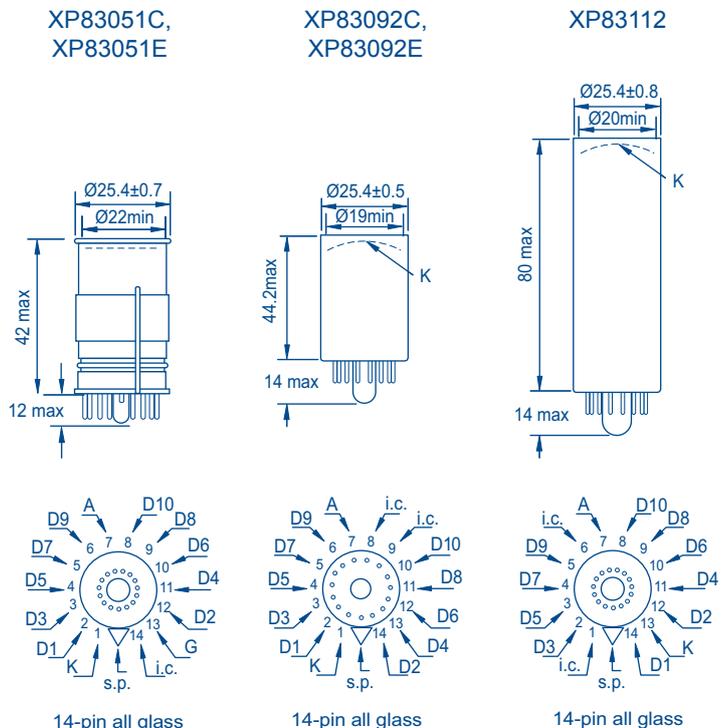
		XP83051C	XP83051E	XP83092C	XP83092E	XP83112
Key features		high temp. (90°C)	high temp. (175°C)	high temp. (90°C)	high temp. (175°C)	---
Dynode structure / number of stages		c.c./10	c.c./10	c.c./10	c.c./10	focused/10
Cathode luminous sensitivity (µA/lm)	typ.	43.5	43.5	33	33	120
Cathode blue sensitivity (µA/lmF)	min	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	7.8
	typ.	6.5	6.5	5	5	9.1
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)	61 mA/W 150 380 650	61 mA/W 150 380 650	50 mA/W 270 370 650	50 mA/W 270 370 650	95 mA/W 270 370 650
Gain	typ.	2.5x10 ⁵	2.5x10 ⁵	6x10 ⁵	6x10 ⁵	2.4x10 ⁵
Supply voltage	typ.	1 500	1 500	1 500	1 500	1 000
	min. (V)	---	---	---	---	---
	max. (V)	---	---	---	---	---
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	1.2
	max. (nA)	10	10	10	12	20
Anode dark counts	typ. (cps)	7	12	---	50	---
	max. (cps)	50	50	50	50	50
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 5% (mA)		--	--	--	--	20
Time response	rise (ns)	2.3	2.3	1.5	1.5	1.5
	Width FWHM (ns)	---	---	---	---	500
PHR (%)		8.3	8.3	---	---	14.6
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	1 800	1 800	2 000	2 000	1 800
	gain	6.5x10 ⁵	6.5x10 ⁵	4x10 ⁵	4x10 ⁵	---
Accessories	Voltage divider	---	---	---	---	---
	Socket	FE2263B	FE2263B	FE2263B	FE2263B	---

PHR: for radiation source ¹³⁷Cs, high temperature NaI TI scintillator, Ø 19mm, h39 mm; for XP83112 radiation source ²²Na, BGO scintillator, Ø25mm, h25 mm. XP83092C/FLB and XP83092E/FLB are variant of XP83092C and XP83092E with flying leads and a JEDEC B12-43 base. XP83112: time response measured at 1250V.

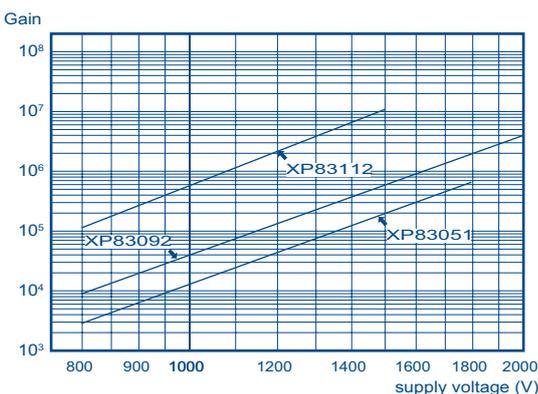
Typical spectral characteristics



Dimensions and pinning



Typical gain curves



Voltage dividers

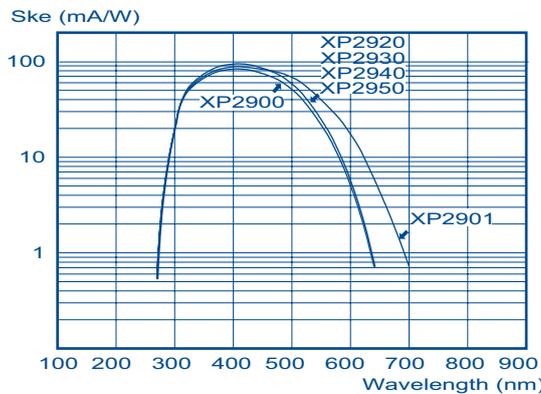
Tube	A divider type voltage ratios (for maximum gain)							
	K	G=D1	D2	D3	D4	...	Dn	A
XP83051	2	1	1	1	1	...	1	1
XP83092	3	1	1	1	1	...	1	1
XP83112	3	1	1.5	1	1	...	1	1

29 mm (1 1/8") tubes

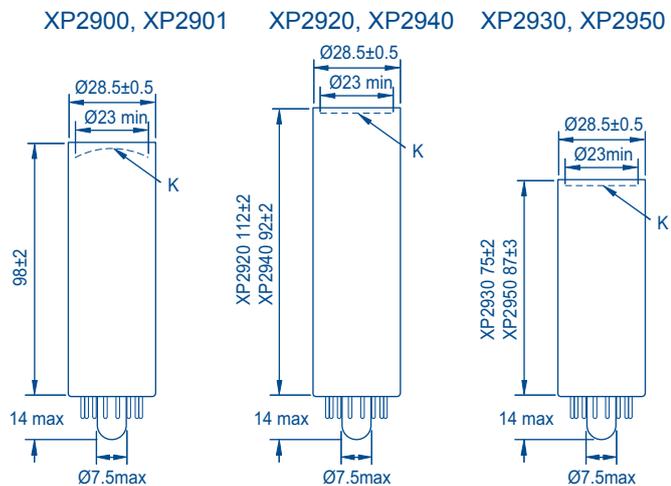
		XP2900	XP2901	XP2920	XP2930	XP2940	XP2950
Key features		low-voltage, fast	low-voltage, fast green-extended	low-voltage, low-noise	low-voltage, low-noise, low-profile	low-noise	low-voltage, low-noise
Dynode structure / number of stages		focused/10	focused/10	focused/11	focused/11	focused/11	focused/11
Cathode luminous sensitivity (μA/lm)	typ.	85	115 (90 min)	80	80	80	80
Cathode blue sensitivity (μA/lmF)	min	9	---	9	9	9	9
	typ.	11	11.5	11	11	11	11
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)	85 mA/W	90 mA/W	95 mA/W	95 mA/W	95 mA/W	95 mA/W
		270 400 650	270 400 700	270 400 650	270 400 650	270 400 650	270 400 650
Gain	typ.	9.1x10 ⁵	8.7x10 ⁵	2.7x10 ⁶	2.7x10 ⁶	2.7x10 ⁶	2.7x10 ⁶
Supply voltage	typ.	1 100	1 100	1 000	1 000	1 000	1 000
	min. (V)	900	900	700	850	850	850
	max. (V)	1 300	1 300	1 100	1 100	1 100	1 100
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	1	2	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
	max. (nA)	5	20	5	5	5	5
Anode dark counts	typ. (cps)	---	---	100	100	100	100
	max. (cps)	---	---	250	250	250	250
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)		80	80	---	---	---	---
Time response	rise (ns)	1.9	1.9	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4
	FWHM (ns)	3	3	---	---	5	5
PHR (%)		7.7	7.5	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	1 800	1 800	1 600	1 600	1 600	1 600
	gain	1x10 ⁷	1x10 ⁷	5x10 ⁷	5x10 ⁷	5x10 ⁷	5x10 ⁷
Accessories	Voltage divider	VD109	VD109	VD1A9	VD1A9	VD1A9	VD1A9
	Socket	FE1114, FE3114	FE1114, FE3114	FE1114, FE3114	FE1114, FE3114	FE1114, FE3114	FE1114, FE3114
	Mu-metal shields	MS179	MS179	MS179	---	---	---

PHR: for radiation source ¹³⁷Cs, NaI Tl scintillator, Ø 25 mm, h25 mm;
 XP2920PC is the photon counting variant of the XP2920. XP2950PC is the photocounting variant of the XP2950.
 XP29507 is the 7-stage variant of XP2950 and XP29508 its 8-stage variant.

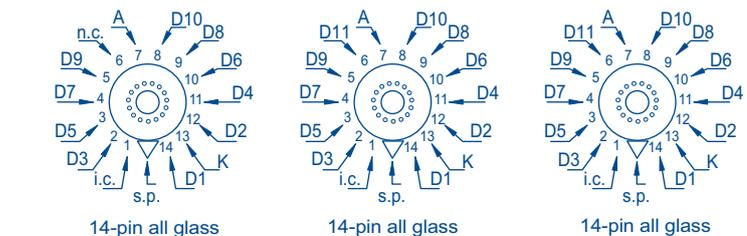
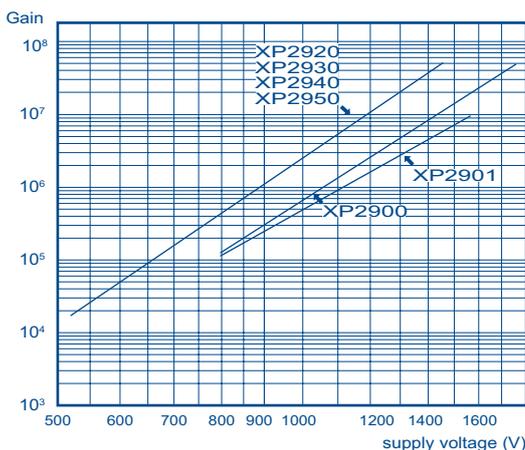
Typical spectral characteristics



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Typical gain curves



Voltage dividers

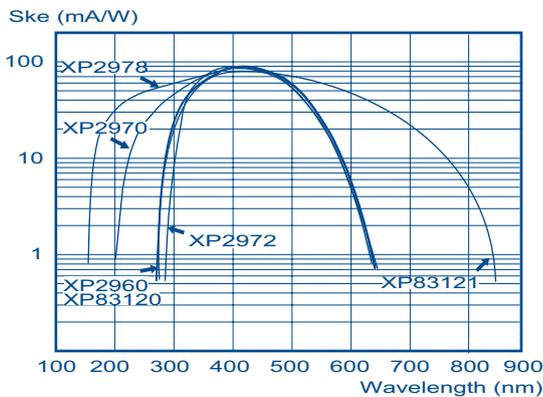
Tube	A divider type voltage ratios (for maximum gain)							
	K	D1	D2	D3	D4	...	Dn	A
XP2900, XP2901	2	1	1.5	1	1	...	1	1
XP2920, XP2930, XP2940, XP2950	2	1	1	1	1	...	1	1

29 mm (1 1/8") tubes

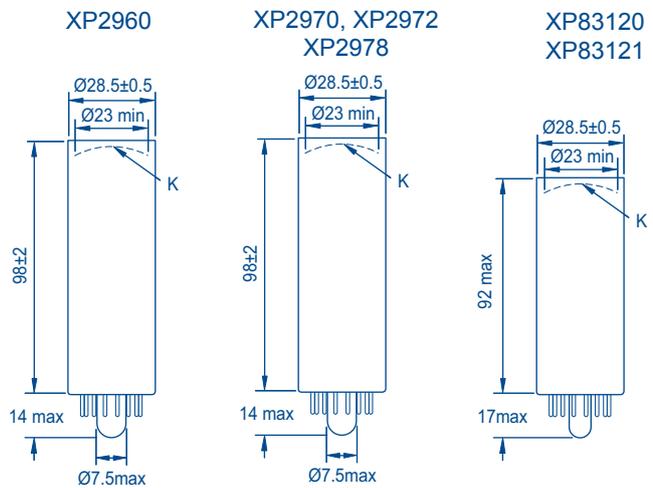
	XP2960	XP2970	XP2972	XP2978	XP83120	XP83121
Key features	fast, low-voltage	fast, low voltage, UV-sensitive	fast	fast, low voltage, UV-sensitive	---	red-sensitive
Dynode structure / number of stages	focused/8	focused/10	focused/10	focused/10	focused/10	focused/10
Cathode luminous sensitivity (µA/lm)	typ. 85	85	90	85	120	200 (100 min)
Cathode blue sensitivity (µA/lmF)	min 9	9	9	9	7.8	45
Red sensitivity for XP83121	typ. 11	11	11	11	10.8	90
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)	85 mA/W	85 mA/W	85 mA/W	90 mA/W	80 mA/W
		270 400 650	190 420 650	290 420 650	270 370 650	270 370 850
Gain	typ. 9.1x10 ⁵	9.1x10 ⁵	9.3x10 ⁵	9.3x10 ⁵	1.7x10 ⁶	5x10 ⁵
Supply voltage	typ. 1 350	1 100	1 300	1 200	1 000	1 100
	min. (V)	1 100	900	1 000	---	---
	max. (V)	1 500	1 300	1 500	---	---
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	2	1	5	1.2	2
	max. (nA)	10	5	20	20	20
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)	80	80	80	80	20	20
Time response	rise (ns)	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.6	1.6
	FWHM (ns)	3	3	3	---	---
PHR (%)	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.5	---
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	1 600	1 800	1 800	1 700	1 700
	gain	1x10 ⁶	1x10 ⁷	1x10 ⁷	5x10 ⁷	2x10 ⁷
Accessories	Voltage divider	VD189	VD189	VD109	VD109	VD2345
	Socket	FE1114, FE3114	FE1114, FE3114	FE1114, FE3114	FE1114, FE3114	FE1114, FE3114
	Mu-metal shields	MS179	MS179	MS179	MS179	MS179

PHR: for radiation source ¹³⁷Cs, NaI TI scintillator, Ø 25 mm, h25 mm.
 For XP83120 and XP83121: max anode pulse current (mA) given for linearity 5%.

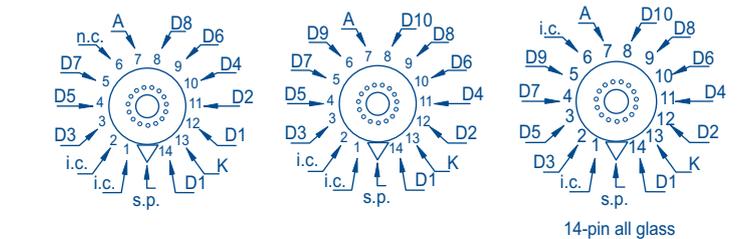
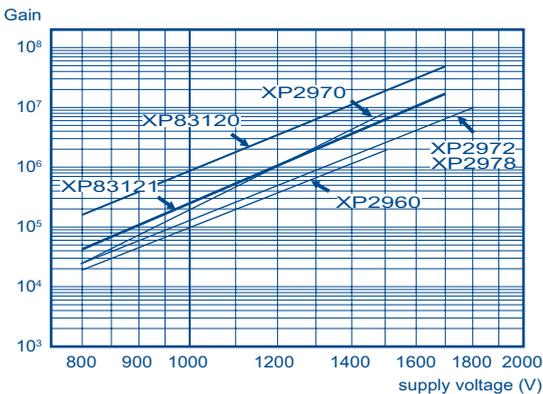
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Typical gain curves



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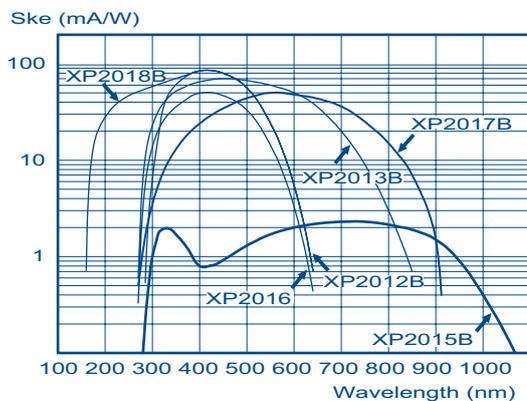
Tube	A divider type voltage ratios (for maximum gain)							
	K	D1	D2	D3	D4	...	Dn	A
XP2960, XP2970, XP2972, XP2978	2	1	1.5	1	1	...	1	1
XP83120, XP83121	3	1	1.5	1	1	...	1	1

39 mm (1 1/2") tubes

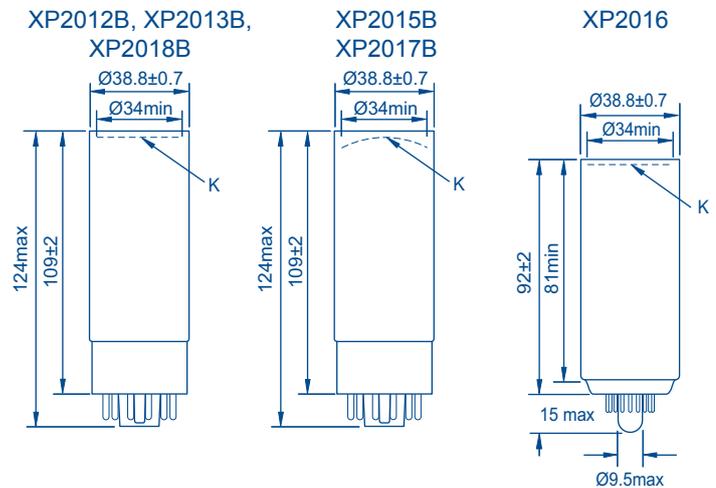
		XP2012B	XP2013B	XP2015B	XP2016	XP2017B	XP2018B
Key features		---	red-sensitive	infrared-sensitive	high-temperature	extended-red-sensitive	UV-sensitive
Dynode structure / number of stages		focused/10	focused/10	focused/10	focused/10	focused/10	focused/10
Cathode luminous sensitivity (μA/lm)	typ.	85	200	20	40	210	85
Cathode blue sensitivity (μA/lmF)	min	9	---	---	5	---	9
	typ.	11	---	---	7	---	11
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)	85 mA/W 290 420 650	20 mA/W 270 700 850	0,12 mA/W 270 1050 1050	50 mA/W 270 400 650	6,5 mA/W 270 860 950	85 mA/W 160 420 650
Gain	typ.	6.5x10 ⁵	3.0x10 ⁵	5.0x10 ⁵	2.1x10 ⁵	2.9x10 ⁵	8x10 ⁵
Supply voltage	typ.	1 250	1 250	1 200	1 300	1 200	1 350
	min. (V)	1 050	1 000	1 000	1 000	1 000	1 150
	max. (V)	1 450	1 600	1 500	1 600	1 500	1 600
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	1	2	2000	1	2	5
	max. (nA)	10	50	10000	10	20	20
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)		200	200	200	200	200	200
Time response	rise (ns)	2.5	2.5	3	3.5	2.5	2.5
	FWHM (ns)	6	6	4	7	6	6
PHR (%)		7.5	---	---	---	---	7.5
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	1800	1800	1600	1700	1800	1800
	gain	1x10 ⁷	5x10 ⁶	5x10 ⁶	2x10 ⁶	5x10 ⁶	1x10 ⁷
Accessories	Voltage divider	VD200K	VD200K	VD200K	---	VD200K	VD200K
	Socket	FE1012	FE1012	FE1012	---	FE1012	FE1012
	Mu-metal shields	MS170	MS170	MS170	MS170	MS170	MS170

PHR: for radiation source ¹³⁷Cs, NaI Tl scintillator, Ø 32 mm, h25 mm ; Ø 51mm, h 51 mm for XP2012B.
 Maximum ratings : maximum average anode current 0.02 mA for XP2015B;
 XP2013B, minimum radiant sensitivity at 700nm: 10mA/W. XP2017B minimum radiant sensitivity at 860nm: 1.5mA/W.

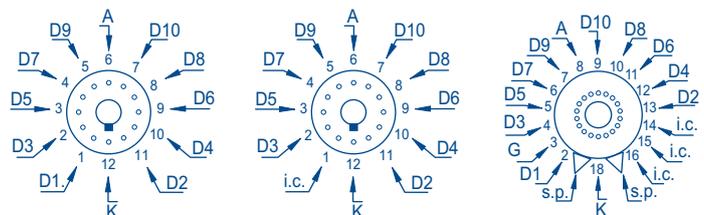
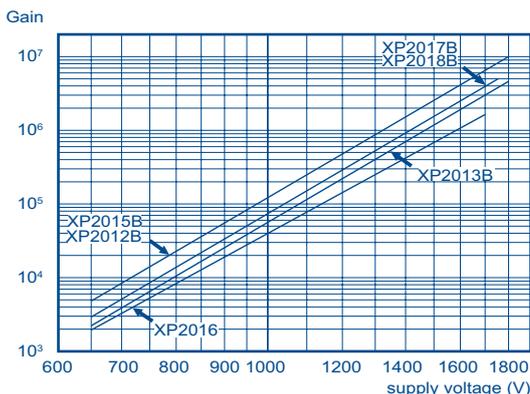
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Typical gain curves



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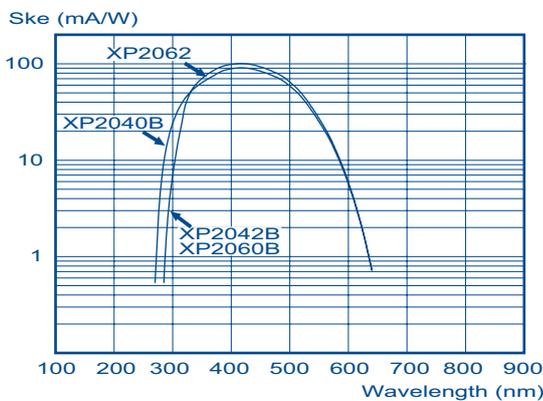
Tube	A divider type voltage ratios (for maximum gain)								
	K	G/D1	D2	D3	D4	...	Dn	A	
XP2012B, XP2013B, XP2015B, XP2016B, XP2017B, XP2018B	2	1	1	1	1	...	1	1	

39 mm (1 1/2") tubes

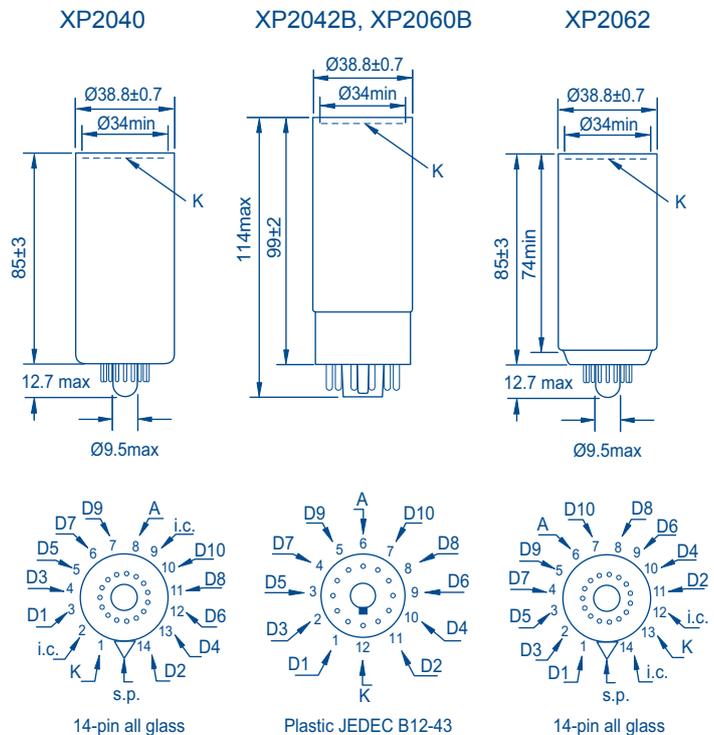
		XP2040	XP2042B	XP2060B	XP2062
Key features		good PHR	low-voltage, good PHR	low-voltage, good PHR	low-noise, low-voltage, good PHR
Dynode structure / number of stages		focused/10	focused/10	focused/10	focused/10
Cathode luminous sensitivity (μA/lm)	typ.	90	90	90	100
Cathode blue sensitivity (μA/lmF)	min	10	10	11.5	12
	typ.	11.5	11.5	10	10
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)	90 mA/W			100 mA/W
		270 420 650	290 420 650	290 420 650	290 420 650
Gain	typ.	6.5x10 ⁵	6.5x10 ⁵	6.5x10 ⁵	6.5x10 ⁵
Supply voltage	typ.	800	800	750	750
	min. (V)	700	700	600	600
	max. (V)	950	950	900	900
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	2	2	2	0.1
	max. (nA)	10	10	10	3
Anode dark counts	typ. (cps)	---	---	---	300
	max. (cps)	---	---	---	500
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)		80	80	80	80
Time response	rise (ns)	3	3	3	3
	FWHM (ns)	6	6	6	7
PHR (%)		7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	1400	1400	1400	1400
	gain	1x10 ⁷	1x10 ⁷	1x10 ⁷	1x10 ⁷
Accessories	Voltage divider		VD200K	VD200K	---
	Socket	FE1115	FE1012	FE1012	FE3114
	Mu-metal shields	---	MS170	MS170	---

PHR: radiation source ¹³⁷Cs, NaI Tl scintillator Ø 51 mm, h51 mm ; Ø 32 mm, h32 mm for XP2060B.
XP20620 is a variant of XP2062 with good single electron resolution.

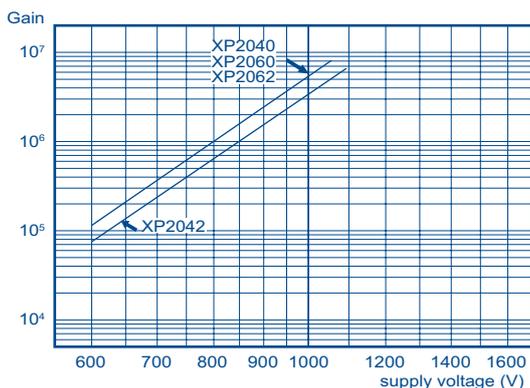
Typical spectral characteristics



Dimensions and pinning



Typical gain curves



Voltage dividers

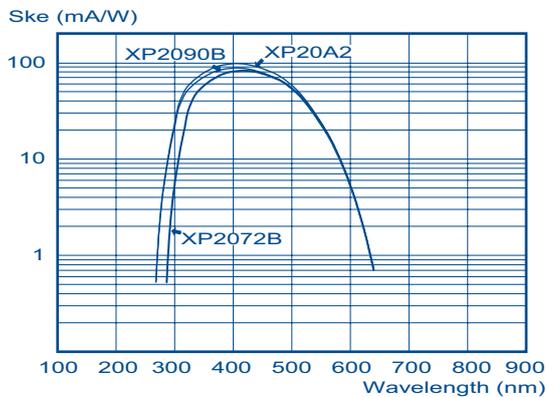
Tube	A divider type voltage ratios (for maximum gain)							
	K	D1	D2	D3	D4	...	Dn	A
XP2040, XP2042	2	2	1	1	1	...	1	1
XP2060B, XP2062B	2	1	1	1	1	...	1	1

39 mm (1 1/2") tubes

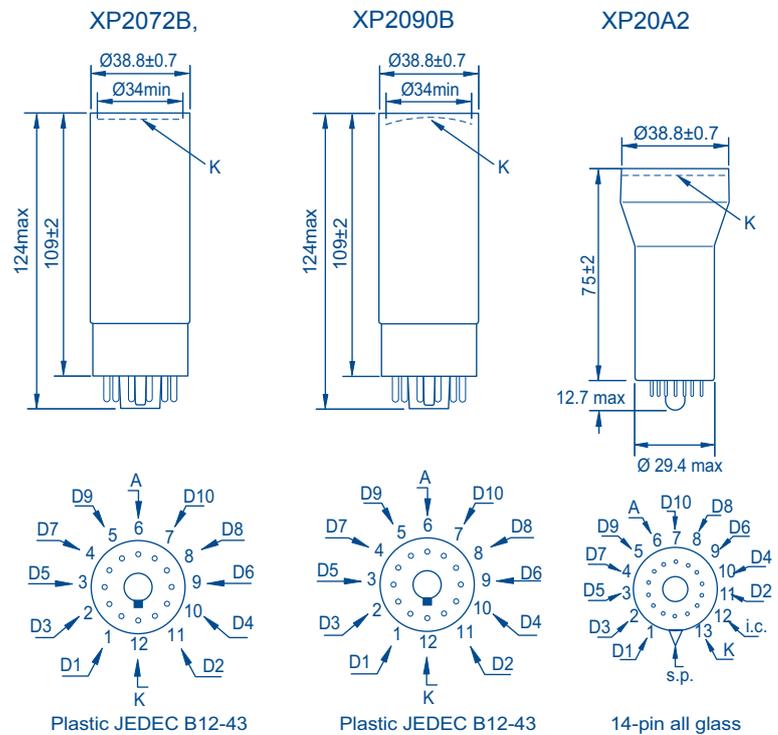
		XP2072B	XP2090B	XP20A2
Key features		good linearity, good PHR	fast	low profile, low noise, high PHR
Dynode structure / number of stages		focused/10	focused/10	focused/10
Cathode luminous sensitivity (μA/lm)	typ.	85	90	100
8Cathode blue sensitivity (μA/lmF)	min	9	10	10
	typ.	11	11.5	12
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)	85 mA/W 290 420 650	90 mA/W 270 420 650	100 mA/W 270 420 650
Gain	typ.	6.5x10 ⁵	6.5x10 ⁵	6.5x10 ⁵
Supply voltage	typ.	1 100	850	800
	min. (V)	900	700	700
	max. (V)	1250	950	900
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	2	2	0.1
	max. (nA)	10	10	3
Anode dark counts	typ. (cps)	---	---	300
	max. (cps)	---	---	---
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)		150	80	80
Time response	rise (ns)	2.8	2.9	3
	FWHM (ns)	7	4.5	6
PHR (%)		7.2	7.5	7.5
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	1600	1 500	1 400
	gain	1x10 ⁷	1x10 ⁷	1x10 ⁷
Accessories	Voltage divider	VD200K	VD200K	VD100T/A
	Socket	FE1012	FE1012	FE1114, FE3114
	Mu-metal shields	MS170	MS170	---

PHR: for radiation source ¹³⁷Cs, NaI Tl scintillator, Ø 32 mm, h25 mm; Transit time spread at 1250V for XP2090B: 2 ns.
 XP20C2 is the 8-stage variant of XP20A2.
 XP2090B transit time spread at 1250V is 2ns.

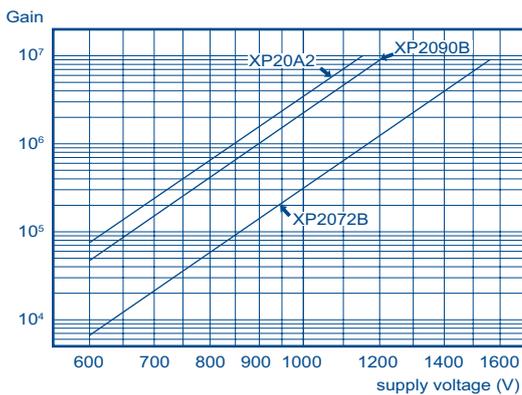
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Typical gain curves



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Tube	A divider type voltage ratios (for maximum gain)							
	K	D1	D2	D3	D4	...	Dn	A
XP2072B, XP2090B, XP20A2	2	1	1	1	1	1

39 mm (1 1/2") tubes

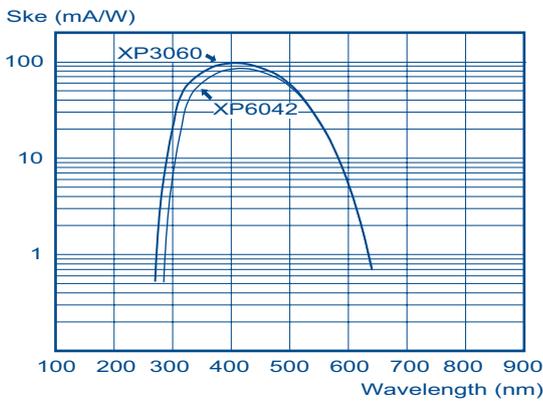
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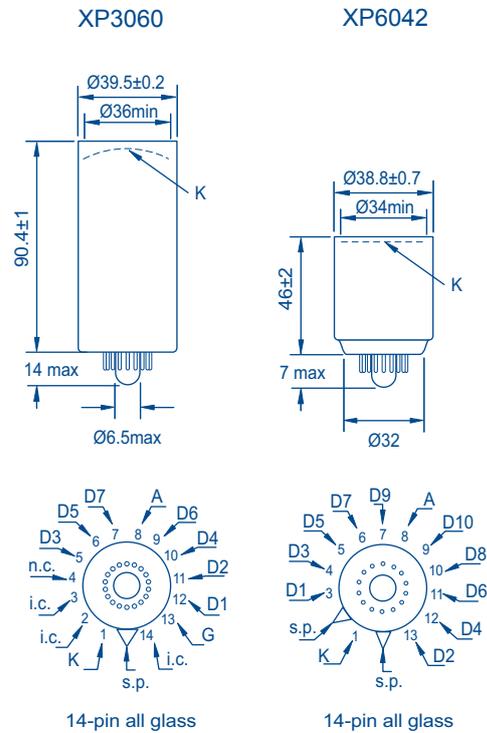
Key features	very fast	low profile
Dynode structure / number of stages	focused/7	foil/10
Cathode luminous sensitivity (μA/lm)	typ. 130	90
8Cathode blue sensitivity (μA/lmF)	min 10	8
	typ. 12.5	10.5
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)	
	$\frac{100 \text{ mA/W}}{270 \quad 420 \quad 650}$	$\frac{85 \text{ mA/W}}{270 \quad 420 \quad 650}$
Gain	typ. 4x10 ⁵	2.9x10 ⁵
Supply voltage	typ. 1200	1100
	min. (V) 1050	800
	max. (V) 1450	1400
Anode dark current	typ. (nA) 2	5
	max. (nA) 10	20
Anode dark counts	typ. (cps) ---	---
	max. (cps) ---	---
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)	50	---
Time response	rise (ns) 2.7	---
	FWHM (ns) ---	---
PHR (%)	7.5	7
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V) 1700	1700
	gain 4x10 ⁶	5x10 ⁶
Accessories	Voltage divider ---	---
	Socket FE1115	FE1112
	Mu-metal shields MS170	---

PHR: for radiation source ¹³⁷Cs, NaI TI scintillator, Ø 39 mm, h39 mm;
 XP3060 rise time measured with w14, l14, h14 mm LYSO crystal at 1500V. Timing resolution 315ps at 511keV with w10, l10, h10 mm LYSO crystal at 1500V.

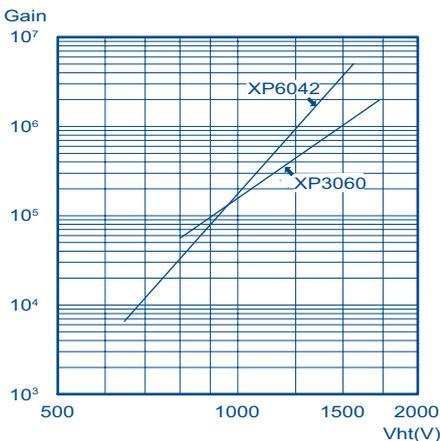
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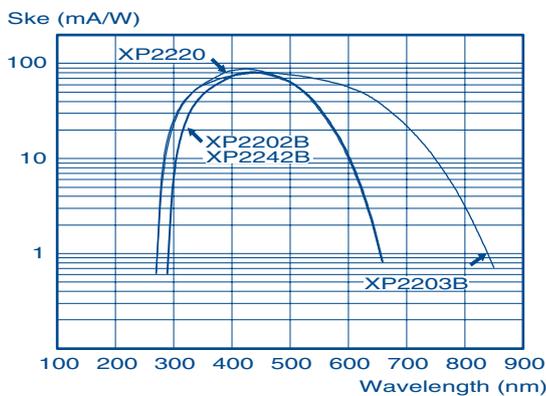
Tube	A divider type voltage ratios (for maximum gain)								
	K	G	D1	D2	D3	...	Dn	A	
XP3060	1	3.5	1	1	1	...	1	1	
XP6042		1.5	1.5	1	1	...	1	1	

51 mm (2") tubes

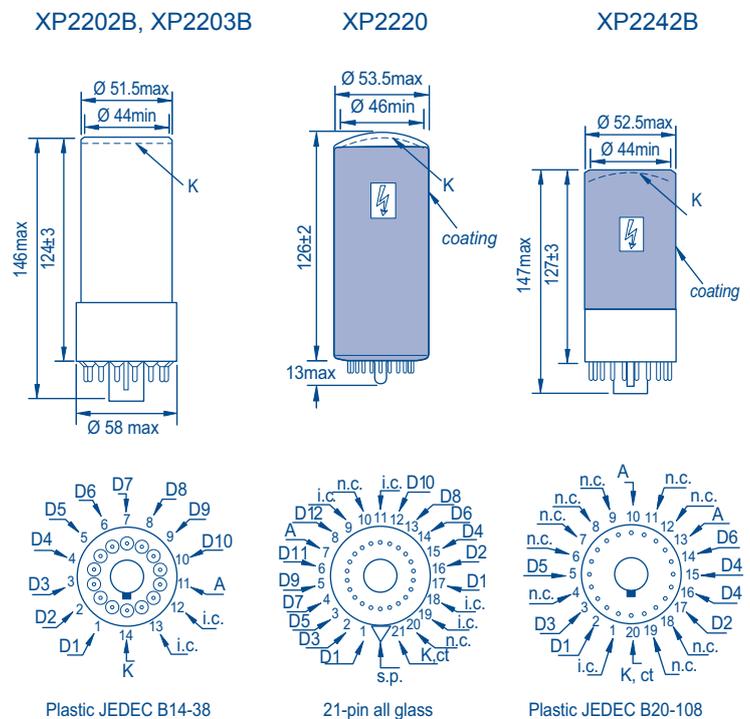
		XP2202B	XP2203B	XP2220	XP2242B
Key features		---	red-sensitive	low-noise, fast, high gain	fast, good linearity
Dynode structure / number of stages		focused/10	focused/10	focused/12	focused/6
Cathode luminous sensitivity (μA/lm)	typ.	70	165	70	90
Cathode blue sensitivity (μA/lmF)	min	9	---	9	8
	typ.	10	---	11	10.5
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)	$\begin{matrix} 75 \text{ mA/W} \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ 290 \quad 400 \quad 650 \end{matrix}$		$\begin{matrix} 16 \text{ mA/W} \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ 270 \quad 700 \quad 850 \end{matrix}$	
				$\begin{matrix} 90 \text{ mA/W} \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow \\ 270 \quad 400 \quad 650 \end{matrix}$	
Gain	typ.	1x10 ⁶	3x10 ⁵	3x10 ⁷	1x10 ⁴
Supply voltage	typ.	1 250	1 350	1 700	1 100
	min. (V)	1100	1100	1 400	800
	max. (V)	1500	1500	2 300	1 400
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	3	3	10	1
	max. (nA)	20	50	---	5
Anode dark counts	typ. (cps)	---	---	300	---
	max. (cps)	---	---	1 000	---
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)		200	200	---	350
Time response	rise (ns)	4	4	3	1.6
	FWHM (ns)	8	8	5	2.4
PHR (%)		7.2	---	---	---
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	1 800	1 800	2 500	2 200
	gain	8x10 ⁶	4x10 ⁶	2x10 ⁸	2x10 ⁵
Accessories	Voltage divider	VD202K	VD202K	---	VD162K/B
	Socket	FE1014	FE1014	FE2021	FE1120
	Mu-metal shields	MS152	MS152	MS152	MS152

PHR: for radiation source ¹³⁷Cs, NaI TI scintillator, Ø51 mm, h51 mm.
 XP2203 minimum radiant sensitivity at 700nm: 10mA/W

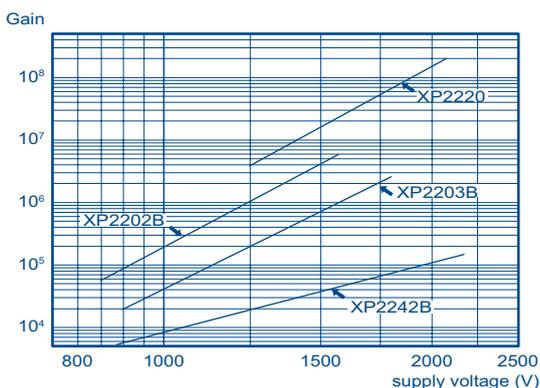
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Typical gain curves



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Tube	A divider type voltage ratios (for maximum gain)							
	K	D1	D2	D3	...	Dn	A	
XP2202B, XP2203B	2	1	1	1	...	1	1	
XP2220	4	2	1	1	...	1	1	
XP2242B	3	1	1	1	...	1	1	

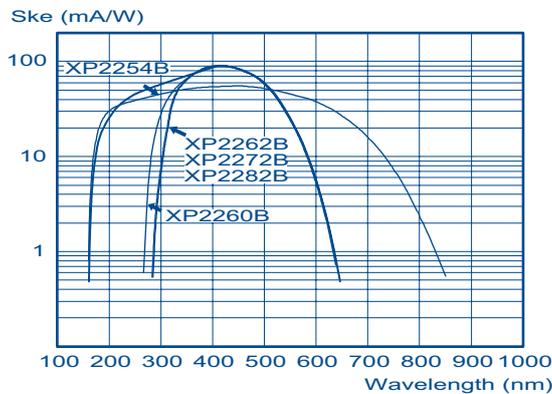
Both anode contacts must be connected to prevent ringing of anode pulse signal.

51 mm (2") tubes

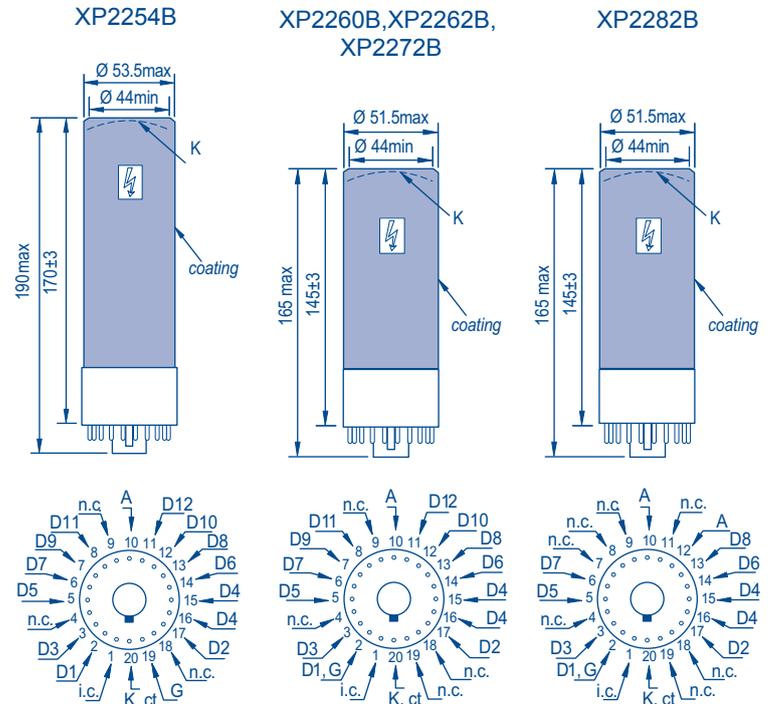
		XP2254B	XP2260B	XP2262B	XP2272B	XP2282B
Key features		very fast, UV to red sensitive	fast, high gain	fast, high gain	fast, high gain, high PHR	fast
Dynode structure / number of stages		focused/12	focused/12	focused/12	focused/12	focused/8
Cathode luminous sensitivity (μA/lm)	typ.	160	70	70	70	90
Cathode blue sensitivity (μA/lmF)	min	---	9	9	9	9
	typ.	---	11	11	11	11
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)	15 mA/W 150 700 850	90 mA/W 270 400 650	90 mA/W 290 400 650	90 mA/W 290 400 650	90 mA/W 290 400 650
Gain	typ.	3x10 ⁷	3x10 ⁷	3x10 ⁷	3x10 ⁷	1x10 ⁸
Supply voltage	typ.	2 200	1 800	1 800	1 800	1 900
	min. (V)	1 750	1 500	1 500	1 500	1 600
	max. (V)	2 700	2 400	2 400	2 400	2 200
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	60	10	10	10	10
	max. (nA)	1 500	---	---	---	20
Anode dark counts	typ. (cps)	---	1 000	1 000	1 000	---
	max. (cps)	---	6 000	6 000	6 000	---
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)		280	250	250	250	180
Time response	rise (ns)	1.5	2	2	2.7	1.5
	FWHM (ns)	2.4	3	3	4	2.2
PHR (%)		7.2	---	--	10	7.2
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	3 000	2 500	2 500	2 500	3 000
	gain	2x10 ⁸	2x10 ⁸	2x10 ⁸	2x10 ⁸	5x10 ⁸
Accessories	Voltage divider	VD124K/T	VD122K	VD122K	VD122K	VD182K/C
	Socket	FE1120	FE1120	FE1120	FE1120	FE1120
	Mu-metal shields	MS172	MS172	MS172	MS172	MS172

PHR: for radiation source ¹³⁷Cs, NaI Tl scintillator, Ø 51 mm, h51 mm; for XP2272B radiation source ⁵⁷Co.
 XP2254B minimum radiant sensitivity at 700nm: 7mA/W

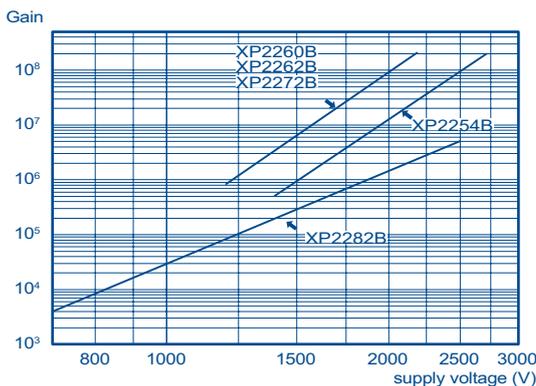
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Voltage dividers

Plastic JEDEC B20-108 Plastic JEDEC B20-108 Plastic JEDEC B20-108
 Both anode contacts must be connected to prevent ringing of the anode pulse signal.

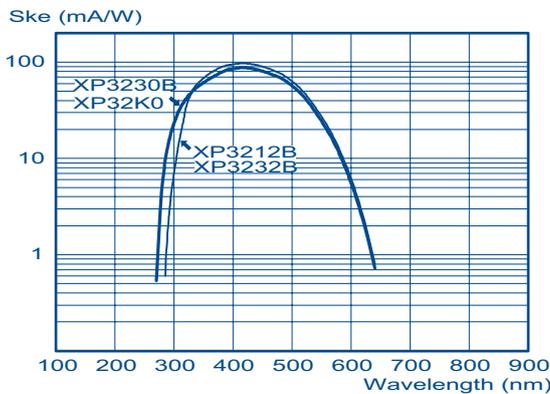
Tube	A divider type voltage ratios (for maximum gain)							
	K	G	D1	D2	D3	...	Dn	A
XP2254B	1.2	2.8	1.2	1.8	1	...	1	1
XP2260B, XP2262B	4		1.1	0.9	1	...	1	1
XP2272B	4		2	1	1	...	1	1
XP2282B	3		1	1	1	...	1	1

51 mm (2") tubes

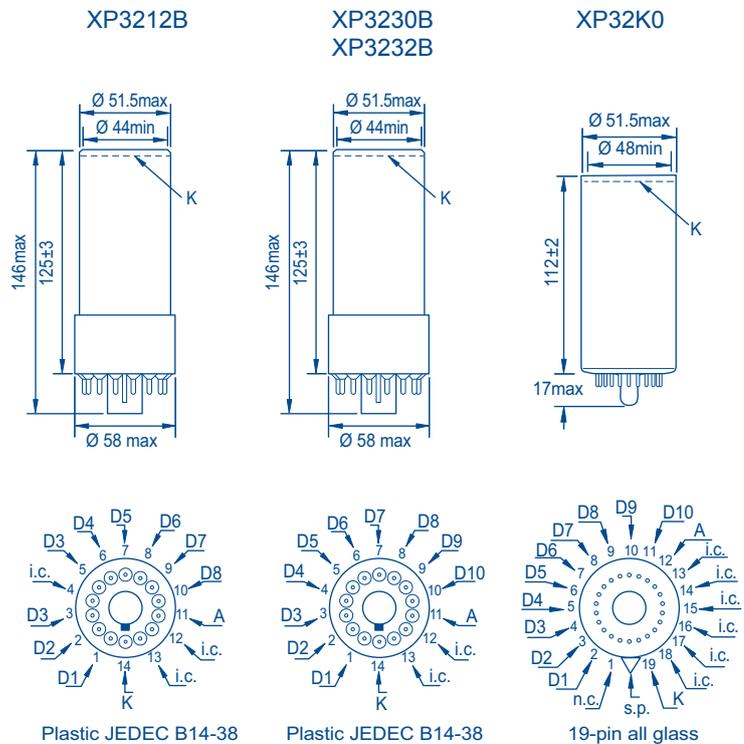
		XP3212B	XP3230B	XP3232B	XP32K0
Key features		high PHR	high PHR, low noise	high PHR, low noise	very low noise, high PHR
Dynode structure / number of stages		focused/8	focused/10	focused/10	focused/10
Cathode luminous sensitivity (μA/lm)	typ.	100	75	75	75
Cathode blue sensitivity (μA/lmF)	min	10	9	9	9
	typ.	12.5	11	11.5	11
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)	100 mA/W 290 420 650	85 mA/W 270 420 650	85 mA/W 290 420 650	85 mA/W 270 420 650
Gain	typ.	2.5x10 ⁵	7x10 ⁵	7x10 ⁵	7x10 ⁵
Supply voltage	typ.	1 000	900	900	900
	min. (V)	800	700	700	700
	max. (V)	1 200	1 100	1 100	1 100
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	1	0.5	1	0.5
	max. (nA)	20	2	10	2
Anode dark counts	typ. (cps)	---	300	300	300
	max. (cps)	---	1 000	1 000	1 000
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)		40	40	40	15
Time response	rise (ns)	5	5	5	5
	FWHM (ns)	11	11	11	11
PHR (%)		8.6	7.5	7.5	7.5
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	1 500	1 500	1 500	1 500
	gain	3x10 ⁶	1x10 ⁷	1x10 ⁷	1x10 ⁷
Accessories	Voltage divider	VD282K	VD202K	VD202K	---
	Socket	FE1120	FE1014	FE1014	FE2019
	Mu-metal shields	MS152	MS152	MS152	MS152

PHR: for radiation source ¹³⁷Cs, NaI TI scintillator, Ø 51 mm, h51 mm; ⁵⁷Co for XP3212.

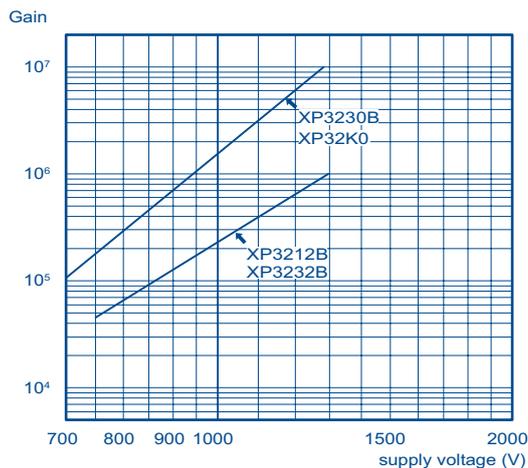
Typical spectral characteristics



Dimensions and pinning



Typical gain curves



Voltage dividers

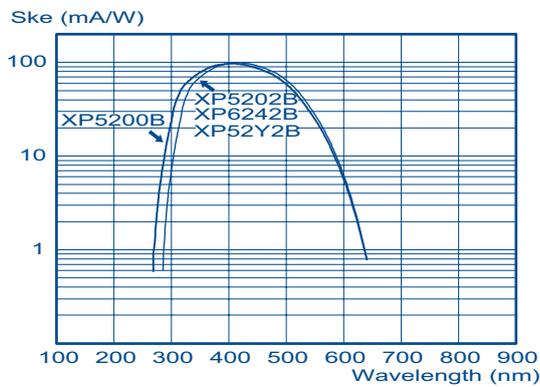
Tube	A divider type voltage ratios (for maximum gain)								
	K	D1	D2	D3	D4	...	Dn	A	
XP3212B	2	1.5	1.5	1.5	1	...	1	0.5	
XP3230B, XP3232B XP32K0	2	1	1	1	1	...	1	1	

51 mm (2") tubes

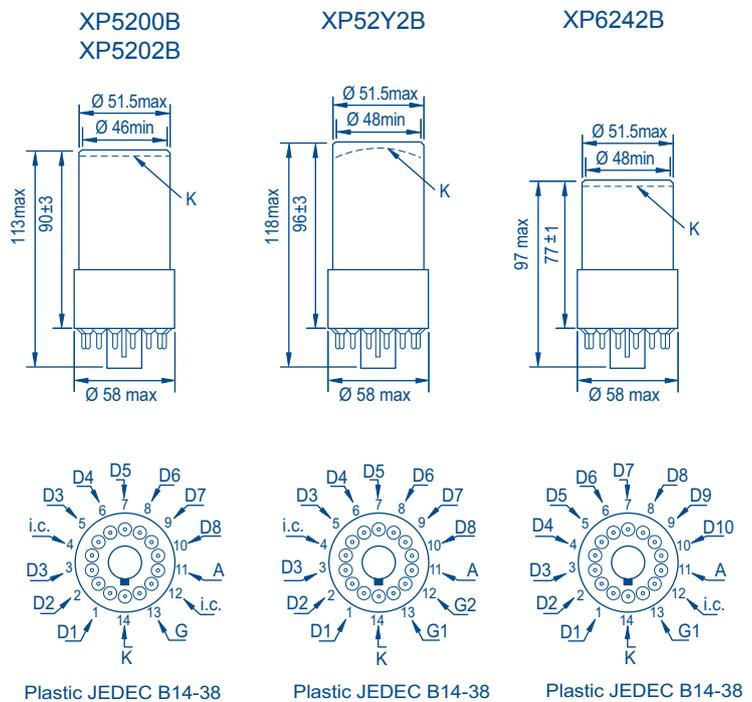
		XP5200B	XP5202B	XP52Y2B	XP6242B
Key features		low profile, high PHR	low profile, high PHR	fast, low profile, high PHR	very low profile, high PHR
Dynode structure / number of stages		b.1/8	b.1/8	b.1/8	foil/10
Cathode luminous sensitivity (µA/lm)	typ.	100	100	100	110
Cathode blue sensitivity (µA/lmF)	min	10	10	11	10
	typ.	12.5	12.5	12.5	12
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)	$\frac{100 \text{ mA/W}}{270 \quad 420 \quad 650}$		$\frac{100 \text{ mA/W}}{290 \quad 420 \quad 650}$	$\frac{95 \text{ mA/W}}{290 \quad 420 \quad 650}$
Gain	typ.	2.4x10 ⁵	2.4x10 ⁵	2.4x10 ⁵	2.5x10 ⁵
Supply voltage	typ.	1 000	1 000	1 000	1 000
	min. (V)	800	800	800	800
	max. (V)	1 200	1 200	1 200	1 200
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	1	1	1	2
	max. (nA)	20	20	20	20
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)		10	10	10	10
Time response	rise (ns)	6	6	2	7
	FWHM (ns)	15	15	3	16
PHR (%)		8.7	8.7	9.5	8.7
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	1 500	1 500	1 500	1 500
	gain	3x10 ⁶	3x10 ⁶	3x10 ⁶	3x10 ⁶
Accessories	Voltage divider	VD202K/01	VD202K/01	VD202K/03	VD202K/01
	Socket	FE1014	FE1014	FE1014	FE1014
	Mu-metal shields	---	---	MS132	MS132

PHR: for radiation source ⁵⁷Co, NaI Tl scintillator, Ø 51 mm, h51 mm.

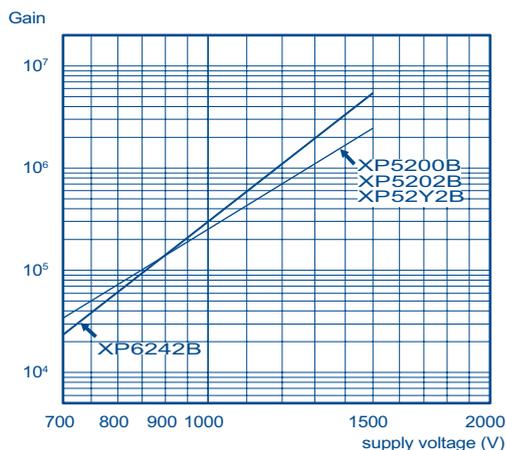
Typical spectral characteristics



Dimensions and pinning



Typical gain curves



Voltage dividers

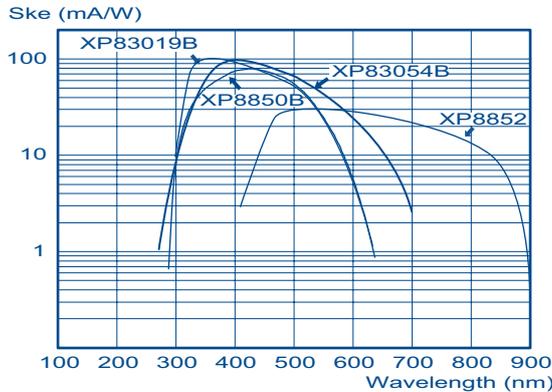
Tube	A divider type voltage ratios (for maximum gain)							
	K	G1	G2	D1	D2	...	Dn	A
XP5200B, XP5202B, XP6242B	2	2		1	1	...	1	1
XP52Y2B	0.15	1.85	2	1	1	...	1	1

51 mm (2") tubes

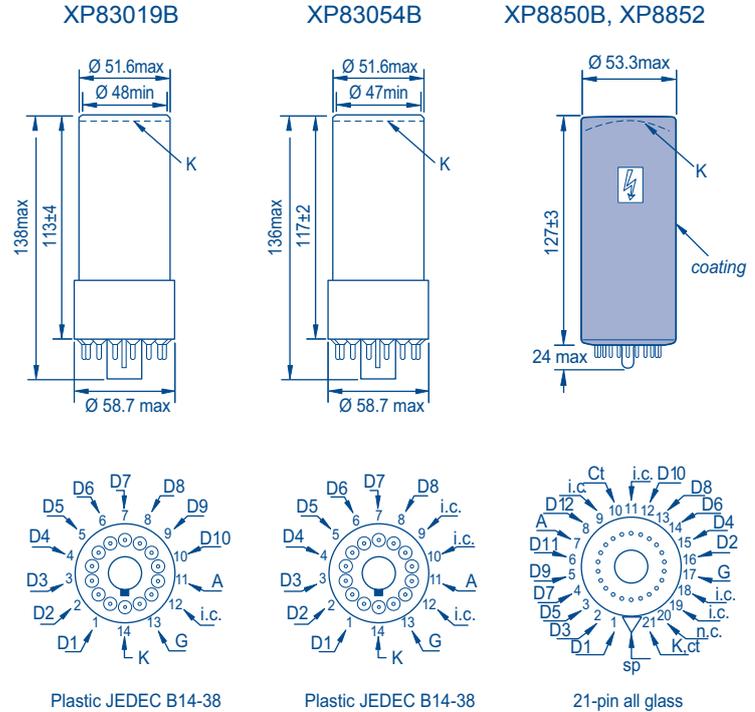
		XP83019B	XP83054B	XP8850	XP8852
Key features		high PHR	green-sensitive	low noise, high gain	high gain, red-sensitive
Dynode structure / number of stages		b.c./10	b.g./8	focused/12	focused/12
Cathode luminous sensitivity (μA/lm)	typ.	---	---	70	180 (115 min)
Cathode blue sensitivity (μA/lmF)	min	8.6	8.6	8	---
	typ.	10	10.5	10	---
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)				
Gain	typ.	9.5x10 ⁴	1.9x10 ⁵	1.5x10 ⁷	6.1x10 ⁵
Supply voltage	typ.	1 100	800	2 000	1 500
	min. (V)	---	---	---	---
	max. (V)	1 280	---	---	---
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	1	3	0.6	10
	max. (nA)	10	15	4.5	150
Anode dark counts	typ. (cps)	---	---	167	20 000
	max. (cps)	---	---	667	---
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)		---	---	---	---
Time response	rise (ns)	---	11	2.1	2.4
	FWHM (ns)	---	20	---	---
PHR (%)		9.3	9.1	7.3	---
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	1 700	1 500	3 000	2 500
	gain	2x10 ⁶	1x10 ⁹	5x10 ⁹	2x10 ⁸
Accessories	Voltage divider	---	---	VD233501, VD233502	VD233501, VD233502
	Socket	FE1014	FE1014	FE2144A, FE2145A	FE2144A, FE2145A
	Mu-metal shields	MS152	MS152	MS152	MS152

PHR: for radiation source ¹³⁷Cs, NaI TI scintillator, Ø 51 mm, h51 mm; radiation source ⁵⁷Co for XP83019B and XP83054B.
 XP8852 minimum radiant sensitivity at 860nm: 4.5mA/W; typical 7mA/W. Anode dark current is measured at 200A/lm for XP8850; at 100A/lm for XP8852.
 Rise time measured at 3000V for XP8850; 2500V for XP8852.

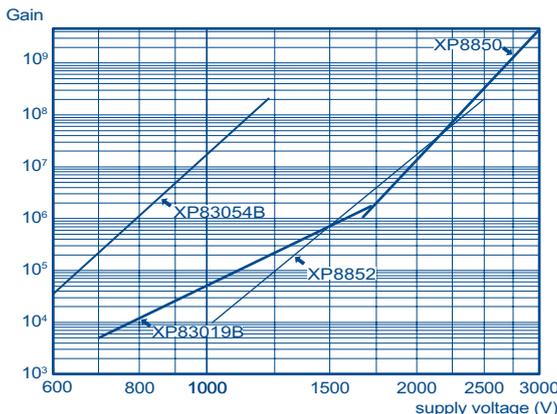
Typical spectral characteristics



Dimensions and pinning



Typical gain curves



Voltage dividers

Tube	A divider type voltage ratios (for maximum gain)									
	K	G	D1	D2	D3	D4	...	Dn	A	
XP83019B	1.8	0.2	1	1	1	1	...	1	1	
XP83054B	1	1	1	1	1	1	...	1	1	
XP8850B, XP8852	6	1	1.4	1	1	1	...	1	1	

60 mm (2 1/2'') tubes

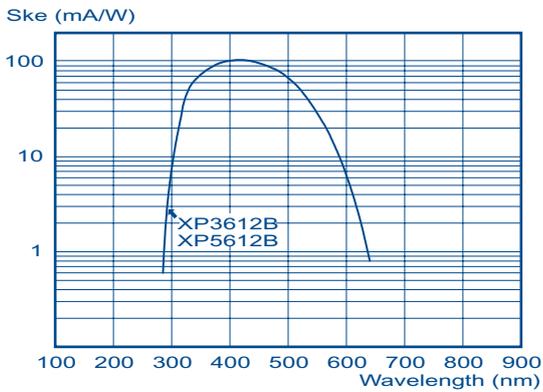
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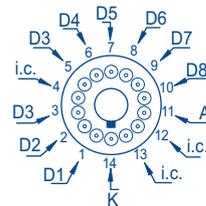
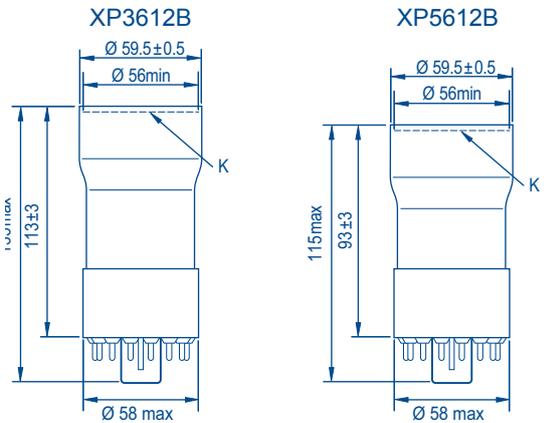
Key features		high PHR	high PHR, low-profile
Dynode structure / number of stages		b.l./8	b.l./9
Cathode luminous sensitivity (μA/lm)	typ.	100	100
Cathode blue sensitivity (μA/lmF)	min	10	10
	typ.	12	12
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)		
		Gain	typ.
Supply voltage	typ.	1 000	1 000
	min. (V)	800	800
	max. (V)	1200	1200
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	1	1
	max. (nA)	20	20
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)		10	10
Time response	rise (ns)	5	5.5
	FWHM (ns)	11	13
PHR (%)		8.5	8.5
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	1500	1500
	gain	3x10 ⁶	3x10 ⁶
Accessories	Voltage divider	VD282K	VD202K/01
	Socket	FE1014	FE1014

PHR: for radiation source ⁵⁷Co, NaI TI scintillator, Ø 51 mm, h51 mm;

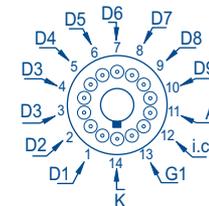
Typical spectral characteristics



Dimensions and pinning

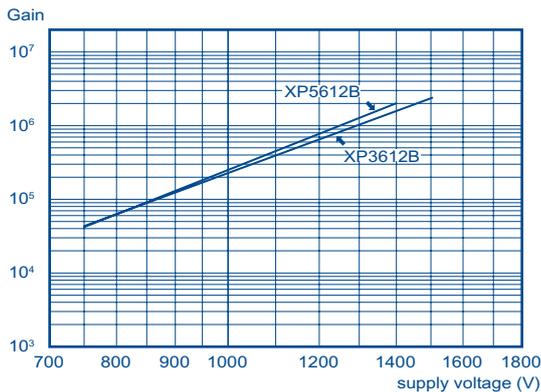


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Typical gain curves



Voltage dividers

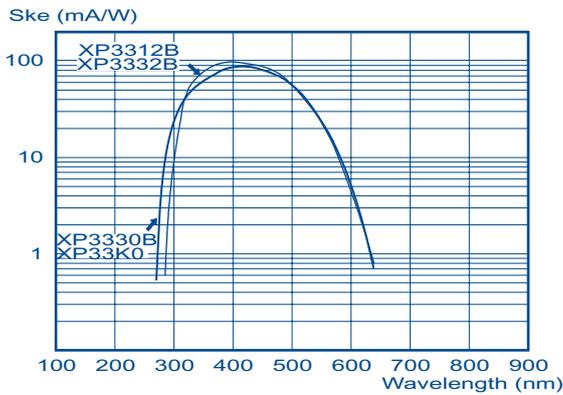
Tube	A divider type voltage ratios (for maximum gain)									
	K	G	D1	D2	D3	D4	D5	..	Dn	A
XP3612B		2	1.5	1.5	1.5	1	1	..	1	0.5
XP5612B	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	..	1	1

76 mm (3") tubes

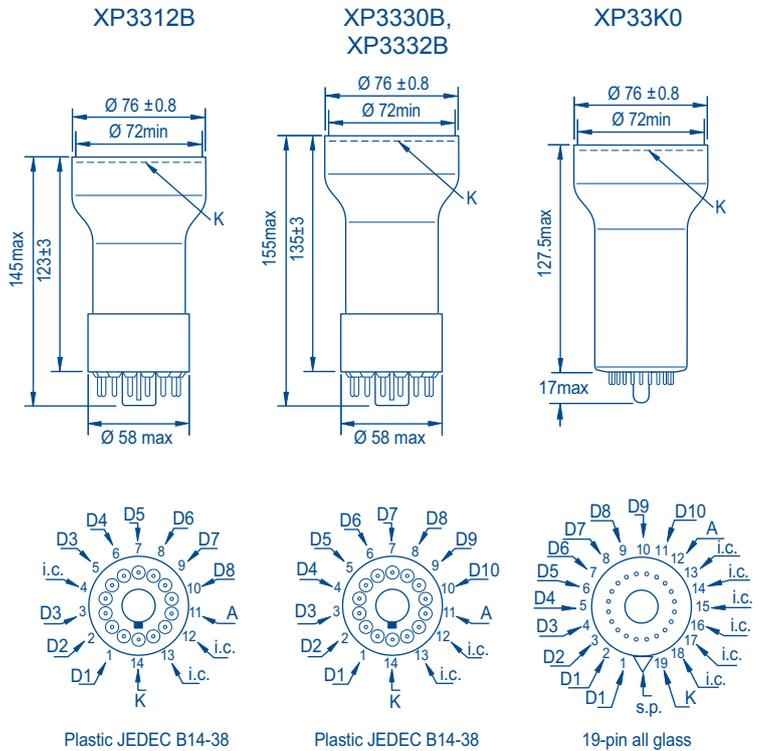
		XP3312B	XP3330B	XP3332B	XP33K0
Key features		high PHR	high PHR, low-noise	high PHR	high PHR, very low-noise
Dynode structure / number of stages		b.l./8	b.l./10	b.l./10	b.l./10
Cathode luminous sensitivity (μA/lm)	typ.	100	75	100	75
Cathode blue sensitivity (μA/lmF)	min	11	9	11	9
	typ.	13	11	13	11
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)	$\frac{100 \text{ mA/W}}{290 \quad 420 \quad 650}$	$\frac{85 \text{ mA/W}}{270 \quad 420 \quad 650}$	$\frac{100 \text{ mA/W}}{290 \quad 420 \quad 650}$	$\frac{85 \text{ mA/W}}{270 \quad 420 \quad 650}$
Gain	typ.	2.4×10^5	7.0×10^5	7.0×10^5	7.0×10^5
Supply voltage	typ.	1 000	900	900	900
	min. (V)	800	700	700	700
	max. (V)	1200	1100	1100	1100
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	1	0.5	2	0.5
	max. (nA)	20	5	20	5
Anode dark counts	typ. (cps)	---	500	---	500
	max. (cps)	---	2000	---	2000
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)		15	15	70	15
Time response	rise (ns)	5	5	5	5
	FWHM (ns)	11	11	11	11
PHR (%)		7	7.5	7	7.5
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	1500	1500	1500	1500
	gain	3×10^6	1×10^7	1×10^7	1×10^7
Accessories	Voltage divider	VD282K	VD202K	VD202K	---
	Socket	FE1014	FE1014	FE1014	FE2019
	Mu-metal shields	MS153	MS153	MS153	MS153

PHR: for radiation source ¹³⁷Cs, NaI TI scintillator, Ø76 mm, h76 mm.

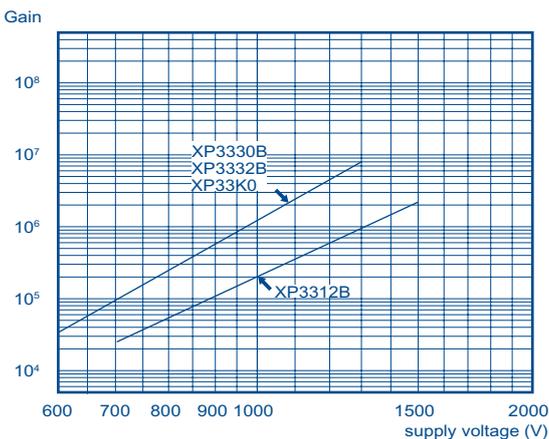
Typical spectral characteristics



Dimensions and pinning



Typical gain curves



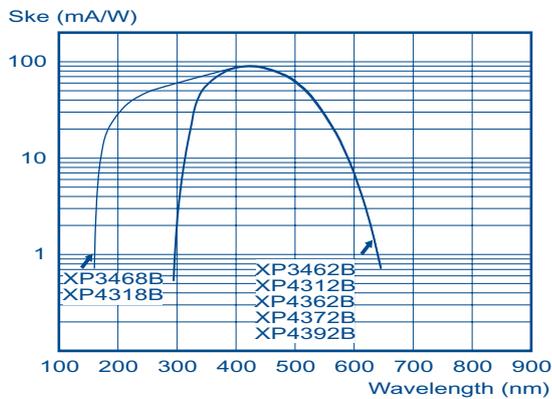
Voltage dividers

Tube	A divider								
	K	D1	D2	D3	D4	D5	...	Dn	A
XP3312B	2	1.5	1.5	1.5	1	1	...	1	0.5
XP3330B, XP3332B, XP33K0	2	1	1	1	1	1	...	1	1

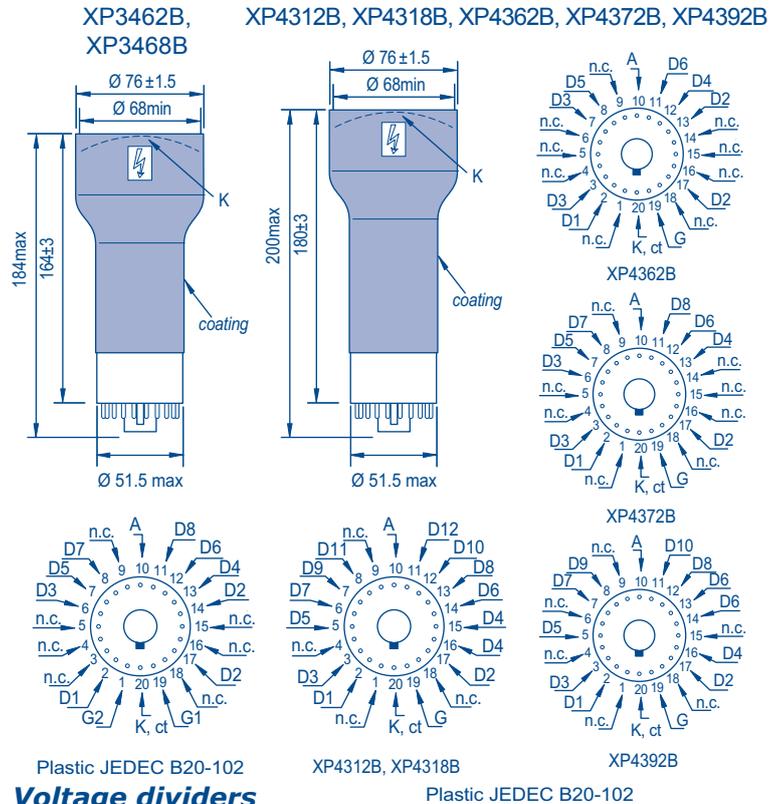
76 mm (3") tubes

	XP3462B	XP3468B	XP4312B	XP4318B	XP4362B	XP4372B	XP4392B
Key features	fast	fast, UV-sensitive	fast, high gain	fast, high gain UV-sensitive	fast, lime glass	fast, lime glass	fast, high PHR
Dynode structure / number of stages	focused/8	focused/8	focused/12	focused/12	focused/6	focused/8	focused/10
Cathode luminous sensitivity (μA/lm)	typ. 100	80	100	100	100	100	100
Cathode blue sensitivity (μA/lmF)	min 9	9	9	9	9	9	9
	typ. 12	10	11	11	11	11	11
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)	95 mA/W	80 mA/W	90 mA/W	90 mA/W	90 mA/W	90 mA/W
		290 420 650	160 420 650	290 420 650	160 420 650	290 420 650	290 420 650
Gain	typ. 1x10 ⁶	1x10 ⁶	3x10 ⁷	3x10 ⁷	1x10 ⁴	3x10 ⁵	3x10 ⁶
Supply voltage	typ. 1350	1350	2200	2200	1700	1900	2000
	min. (V) 1150	1150	2000	2000	1300	1700	1800
	max. (V) 1600	1600	2700	2700	2100	2200	2500
Anode dark current	typ. (nA) 2	2	60	60	60	60	60
	max. (nA) 20	20	250	250	250	250	250
Anode dark counts	typ. (cps) 5000	5000	---	---	---	---	---
	max. (cps) 10000	10000	---	---	---	---	---
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)	200	200	150	150	150	150	150
Time response	rise (ns) 3	3	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2
	FWHM (ns) 4	4	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V) 2000	2000	3000	3000	2500	2800	2800
	gain 3x10 ⁶	3x10 ⁶	2x10 ⁸	2x10 ⁸	2x10 ⁶	2x10 ⁶	2x10 ⁷
Accessories	Voltage divider VD183K	VD183K	VD123K	VD123K	VD123K	VD123K	VD123K
	Socket FE1120	FE1120	FE1120	FE1120	FE1120	FE1120	FE1120
	Mu-metal shields MS153	MS153	MS153	MS153	MS153	MS153	MS153

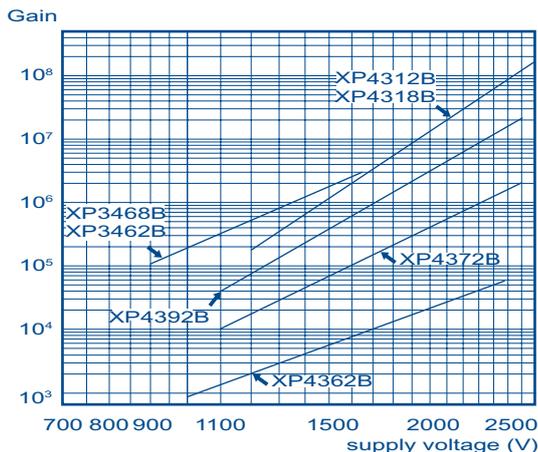
Typical spectral characteristics



Dimensions and pinning



Typical gain curves



Voltage dividers

Tube	A divider for XP34xx. B divider for XP43xx												
	K	G1	G2	D1	D2	D3	...	Dn-4	Dn-3	Dn-2	Dn-1	Dn	A
XP3461B, XP3462B, XP3468B	0.12	0.7	2.3	1.5	1	1	...	1	1	1	1	1	1
XP4312B, XP4318B, XP4362B, XP4372B, XP4392B	2		~8	2	1	1	...	1	1.5	2	2.5	3	2.5

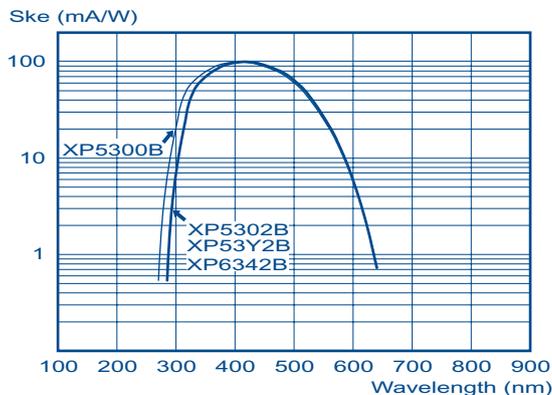
XP4362B grid voltage has to be adjusted for maximum output with full cathode illumination.

76 mm (3") tubes

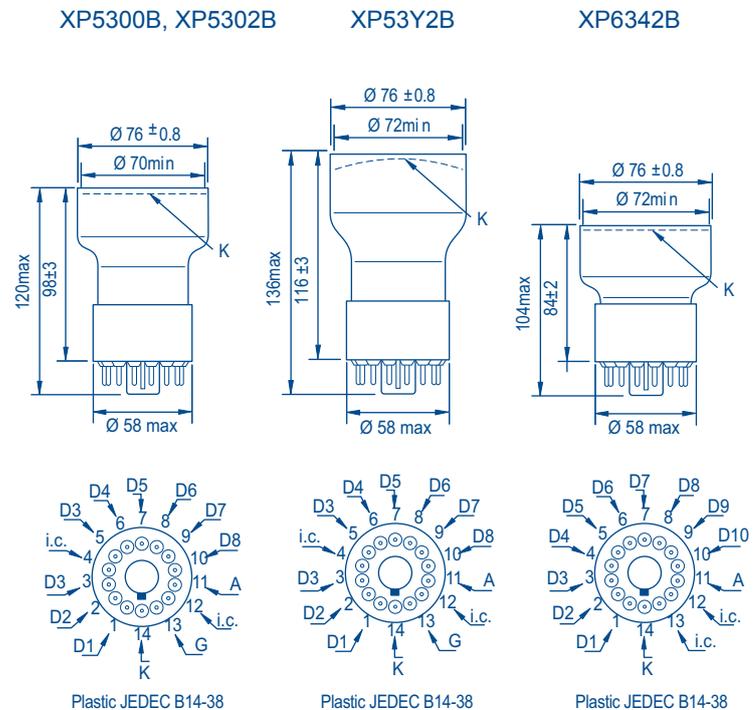
		XP5300B	XP5302B	XP53Y2B	XP6342B
Key features		low-profile, high PHR	low-profile, high PHR	fast, high PHR	very low-profile, high PHR
Dynode structure / number of stages		b.l./8	b.l./8	b.l./8	b.l./10
Cathode luminous sensitivity (µA/lm)	typ.	120	100	100	120
	min	10	11	11	11
Cathode blue sensitivity (µA/lmF)	typ.	13	12.5	12.5	13
	typ. at (nm)	100 mA/W 270 420 650	100 mA/W 290 420 650	100 mA/W 290 420 650	100 mA/W 290 420 650
Gain	typ.	2.4x10 ⁵	2.4x10 ⁵	2.4x10 ⁵	2.4x10 ⁵
Supply voltage	typ.	1 000	1 000	1 000	1 000
	min. (V)	800	800	800	800
	max. (V)	1 200	1 200	1 200	1 200
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	1	1	1	2
	max. (nA)	20	20	20	20
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)		40	40	40	10
Time response	rise (ns)	6	6	3	7
	FWHM (ns)	16	16	4	15
PHR (%)		8.6	8.6	---	8.7
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	1 500	1 500	1 500	1 500
	gain	3x10 ⁶	3x10 ⁶	3x10 ⁶	3x10 ⁶
Accessories	Voltage divider	VD202K/01	VD202K/01	VD202K/03	VD202K
	Socket	FE1014	FE1014	FE1014	FE1014
	Mu-metal shields	MS133	MS133	MS133	MS133

PHR: for radiation source ⁵⁷Co, NaI TI scintillator, Ø76 mm, h76 mm.
 XP53A2 is the 6-stage variant of XP53Y2.
 XP53X2 is the 9-stage variant of XP53Y2.

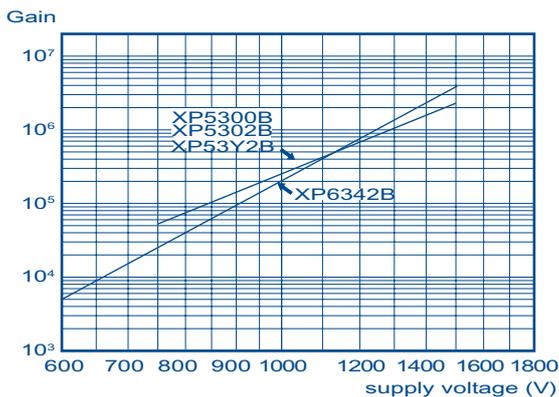
Typical spectral characteristics



Dimensions and pinning



Typical gain curves



Voltage dividers

Tube	A divider type voltage ratios (for maximum gain)									
	K	G1	G2	D1	D2	D3	...	Dn-1	Dn	A
XP5300B, XP5302B	2		2	1	1	1	...	1	1	1
XP53Y2B	0.15	1.85	2	1	1	1	...	1	1	1
XP6342B			2	2	1	1	...	1	1	1

76 mm (3") tubes

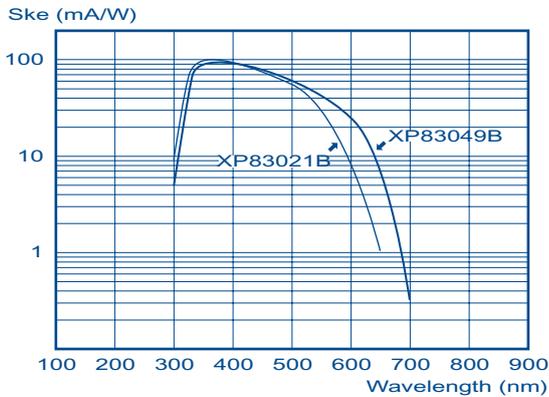
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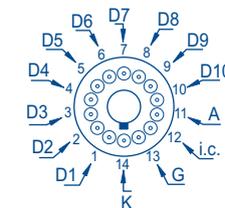
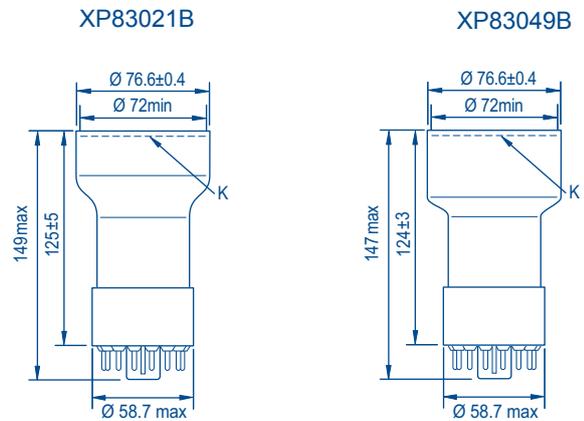
Key features		high PHR	high PHR, green sensitive high count rate stability
Dynode structure / number of stages		b.c./10	b.l./8
Cathode luminous sensitivity (μA/lm)	typ.	100	120
Cathode blue sensitivity (μA/lmF)	min	8.6	8.6
	typ.	10	10.5
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)	100 mA/W 270 370 650	100 mA/W 270 380 650
		Gain	typ.
Supply voltage	typ.	1 100	800
	min. (V)	---	750
	max. (V)	1 300	950
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	1	3
	max. (nA)	10	15
Anode dark counts	typ. (cps)	---	---
	max. (cps)	---	---
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)		---	70
Time response	rise (ns)	---	12
	FWHM (ns)	---	25
PHR (%)		9	8.4
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	1700	1200
	gain	2x10 ⁶	2x10 ⁶
Accessories	Voltage divider	---	---
	Socket	FE1014	FE1014
	Mu-metal shields	MS2253	MS2253

PHR: for radiation source ⁵⁷Co, NaI TI scintillator, Ø76 mm, h76 mm.

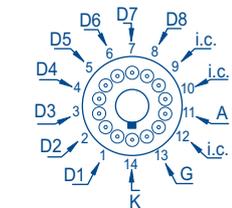
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Dimensions and pinning

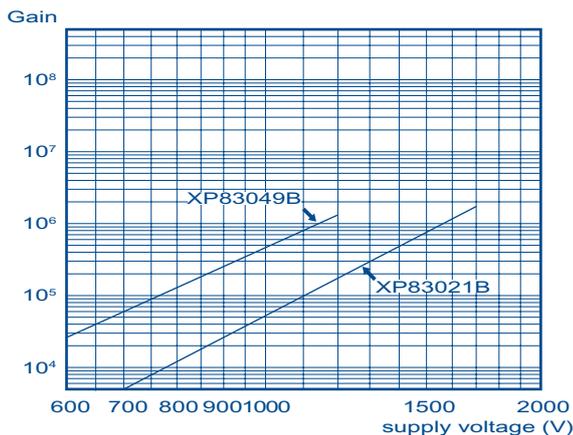


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Typical gain curves



Voltage dividers

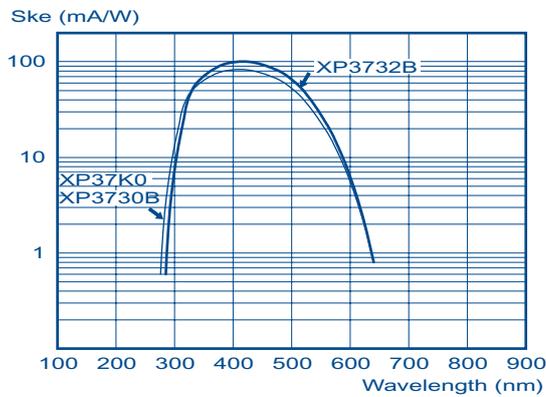
Tube	A divider type voltage ratios (for maximum gain)									
	K	G	D1	D2	D3	D4	D5	..	Dn	A
XP83021B	1.8	0.2	1	1	1	1	1	..	1	1
XP83049B	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	..	1	1

90 mm (3 1/2'') tubes

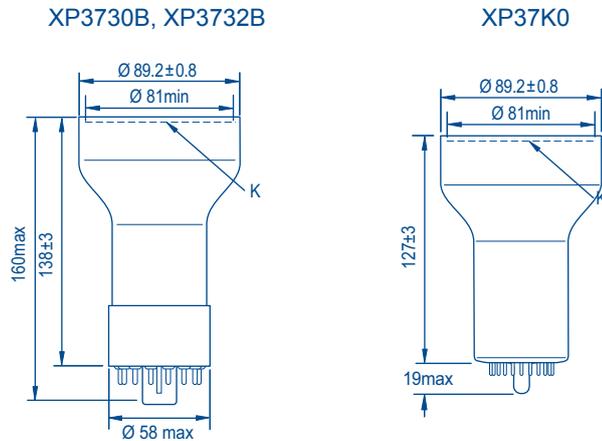
		XP3730B	XP3732B	XP37K0
Key features		high PHR, low noise	high PHR	high PHR, very low noise
Dynode structure / number of stages		b.l./10	b.l./10	b.l./10
Cathode luminous sensitivity (µA/lm)	typ.	75	100	75
	min	9	11	9
Cathode blue sensitivity (µA/lmF)	typ.	11	13	11
	typ. at (nm)	85 mA/W 270 420 650	100 mA/W 290 420 650	85 mA/W 270 420 650
Gain	typ.	7x10 ⁵	7x10 ⁵	7x10 ⁵
Supply voltage	typ.	1 000	1 000	1 000
	min. (V)	800	800	800
	max. (V)	1200	1200	1200
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	1.5	2	1.5
	max. (nA)	6	20	6
Anode dark counts	typ. (cps)	1 000	---	1 000
	max. (cps)	3 000	---	3 000
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)		40	40	40
Time response	rise (ns)	5	5	5
	FWHM (ns)	11	11	11
PHR (%)		7	7	7
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	1500	1500	1 500
	gain	1x10 ⁷	1x10 ⁷	1x10 ⁷
Accessories	Voltage divider	VD202K/01	VD202K/01	---
	Socket	FE1014	FE1014	FE2019

PHR: for radiation source ¹³⁷Cs, NaI TI scintillator, Ø51 mm, h51 mm;
 XP3712B is the 8-stage variant of XP3732B.
 XP3762B is the 6-stage variant of XP3732B.

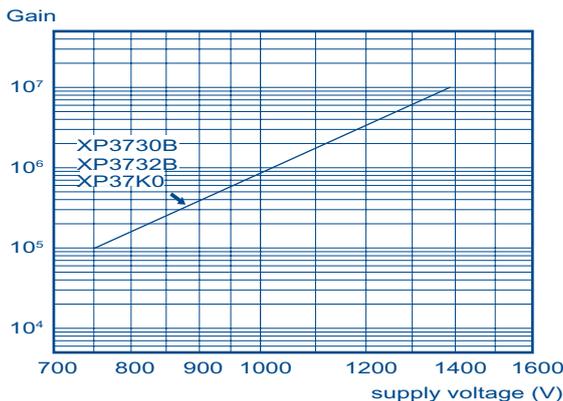
Typical spectral characteristics



Dimensions and pinning



Typical gain curves



Voltage dividers

Tube	A divider type voltage ratios (for maximum gain)						
	K	D1	D2	D3	...	Dn	A
XP3730B, XP3732B, XP37K0	4	1	1	1	...	1	1

90 mm (3 1/2") tubes

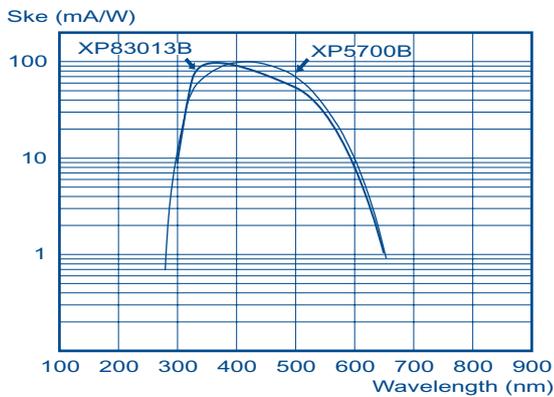
XP5700B

XP83013B

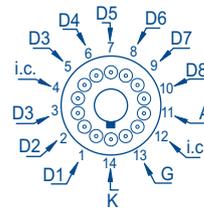
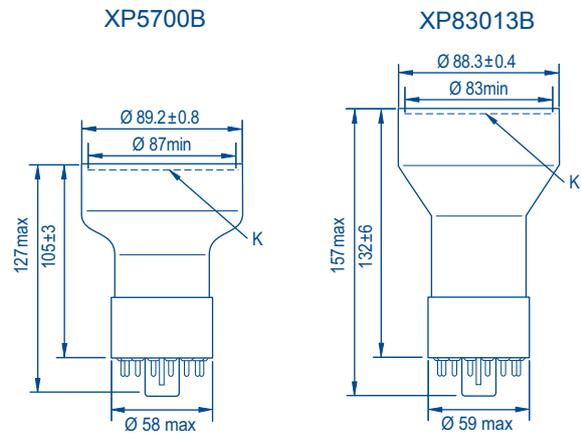
Key features		high PHR, low profile	---
Dynode structure / number of stages		b.l./8	b.c./10
Cathode luminous sensitivity (µA/lm)	typ.	110	---
Cathode blue sensitivity (µA/lmF)	min	10	8.6
	typ.	12.5	10
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)		
	Gain	typ.	2.4x10 ⁵
Supply voltage	typ.	1 000	1 100
	min. (V)	800	---
	max. (V)	1 200	1 300
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	1	1
	max. (nA)	20	10
Anode dark counts	typ. (cps)	---	---
	max. (cps)	---	---
	Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)	---	---
Time response	rise (ns)	6	---
	FWHM (ns)	15	---
PHR (%)		8.3	8.8
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	1 500	1 700
	gain	3x10 ⁶	---
Accessories	Voltage divider	VD202K/01	---
	Socket	FE1014	FE1014

PHR: for radiation source ⁵⁷Co, NaI Tl scintillator, Ø76 mm, h76 mm.

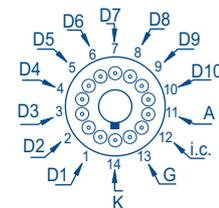
Typical spectral characteristics



Dimensions and pinning

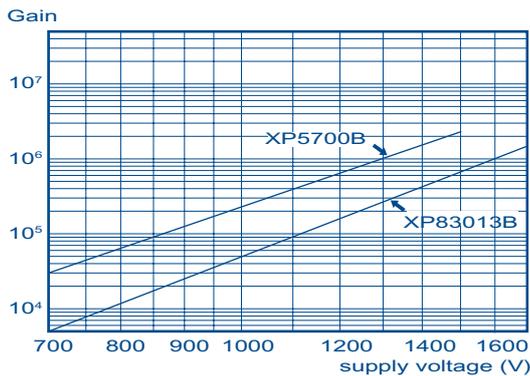


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Typical gain curves



Voltage dividers

Tube	A divider type voltage ratios (for maximum gain)						
	K	G	D1	D2	...	Dn	A
XP5700B	2	2	1	1	...	1	1
XP83013B	1.8	0.2	1	1	...	1	1

130 mm (5") tubes

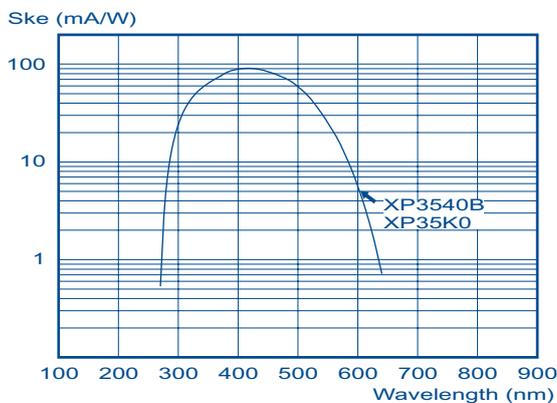
XP3540B

XP35K0

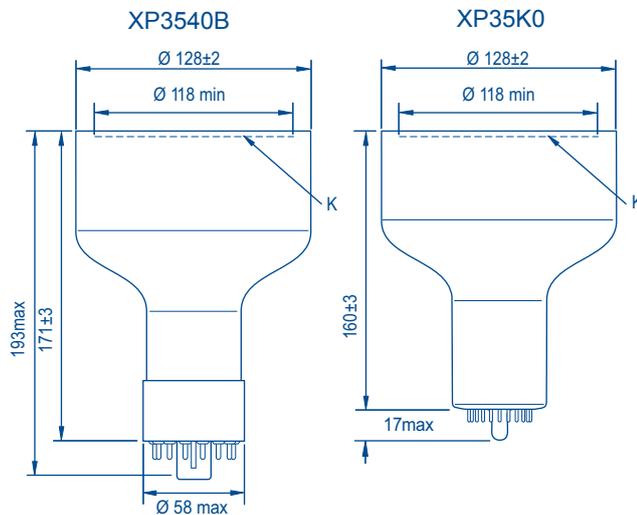
Key features		high PHR, low-noise, high gain	high PHR, very low-noise, high gain
Dynode structure / number of stages		b.l./10	b.l./10
Cathode luminous sensitivity (μA/lm)	typ.	90	90
Cathode blue sensitivity (μA/lmF)	min	9	9
	typ.	11.5	11.5
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)		
		Gain	typ.
Supply voltage	typ.	900	900
	min. (V)	700	700
	max. (V)	1 100	1 100
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	1	1
	max. (nA)	5	5
Anode dark counts	typ. (cps)	1 200	1 200
	max. (cps)	5 000	5 000
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)		40	40
	Time response	rise (ns)	9.5
FWHM (ns)		23	23
PHR (%)		6.7	6.7
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	1 700	1 700
	gain	1x10 ⁷	1x10 ⁷
Accessories	Voltage divider	VD202K/01	---
	Socket	FE1014	FE2019
	Mu-metal shields	MS175	MS175

PHR: for radiation source ¹³⁷Cs, NaI Tl scintillator, Ø76 mm, h76 mm.

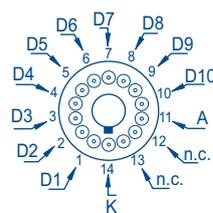
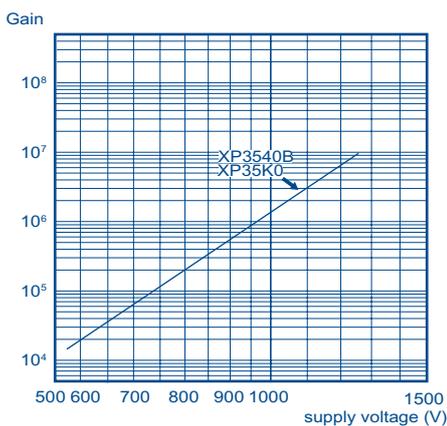
Typical spectral characteristics



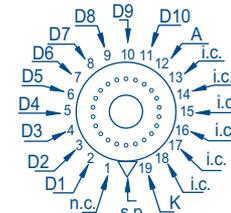
Dimensions and pinning



Typical gain curves



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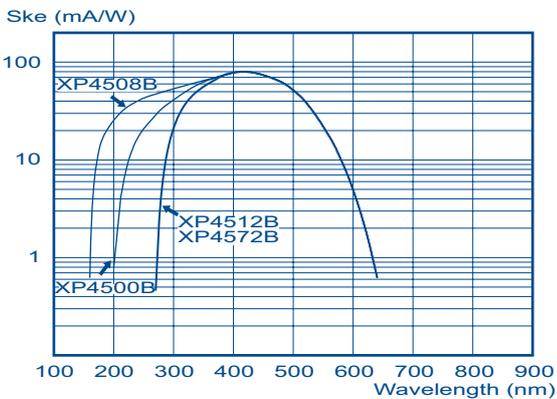
Voltage dividers

Tube	A divider type voltage ratios										
	K	G	D1	D2	...	Dn-4	Dn-3	Dn-2	Dn-1	Dn	A
XP3540B, XP35K0	4		1	1	...	1	1	1	1	1	1

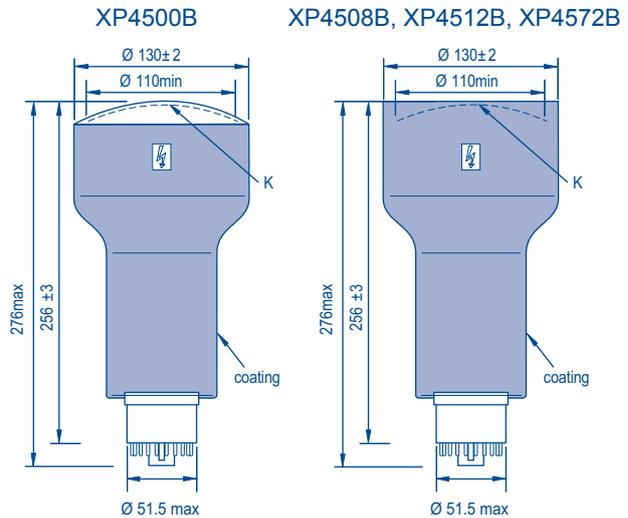
130 mm (5") tubes

		XP4500B	XP4508B	XP4512B	XP4572B
Key features		fast, with concave-convex UV-transmitting window	fast, UV-sensitive	fast	semi-fast, high PHR
Dynode structure / number of stages		focused/10	focused/10	focused/10	b.l./10
Cathode luminous sensitivity (µA/lm)	typ.	70	65	70	70
Cathode blue sensitivity (µA/lmF)	min	9	8	8	8
	typ.	10.5	10	10	10
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)				
Gain	typ.	2x10 ⁷	2x10 ⁷	2x10 ⁷	2x10 ⁷
Supply voltage	typ.	2 100	2 100	2 100	2 100
	min. (V)	1800	1450	1450	1450
	max. (V)	2500	2500	2500	2600
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	90	30	90	90
	max. (nA)	400	600	400	400
Anode dark counts	typ. (cps)	---	---	---	---
	max. (cps)	---	---	---	---
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)		80	80	80	80
Time response	rise (ns)	2.5	2.1	2.5	4.3
	FWHM (ns)	3.8	3	3.8	5.5
PHR (%)		---	---	---	---
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	2700	2700	2700	2700
	gain	1x10 ⁸	1x10 ⁸	1x10 ⁸	1x10 ⁸
Accessories	Voltage divider	VD105K, VD305K	VD105K, VD305K	VD105K, VD305K	VD105K, VD305K
	Socket	FE1120	FE1120	FE1120	FE1120
	Mu-metal shields	MS175	MS175	MS175	MS175

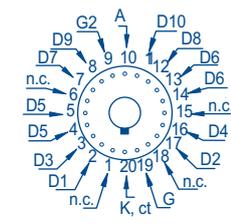
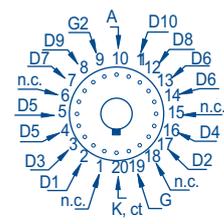
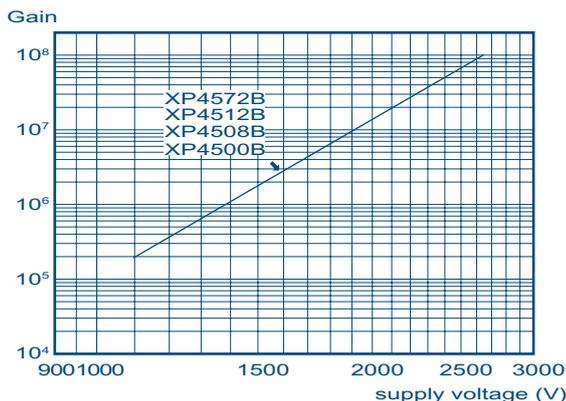
Typical spectral characteristics



Dimensions and pinning



Typical gain curves



Voltage dividers

Tube	A divider type voltage ratios										
	K	G	D1	D2	...	Dn-4	Dn-3	Dn-2	Dn-1	Dn	A
XP4500B, XP4508B, XP4512B, XP4572B	~4	7	2	1	...	1	1.5	2	2.5	3	2.5

130 mm (5") tubes

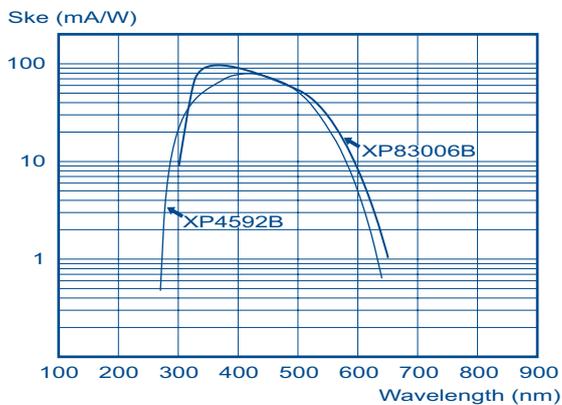
XP4592B

XP83006B

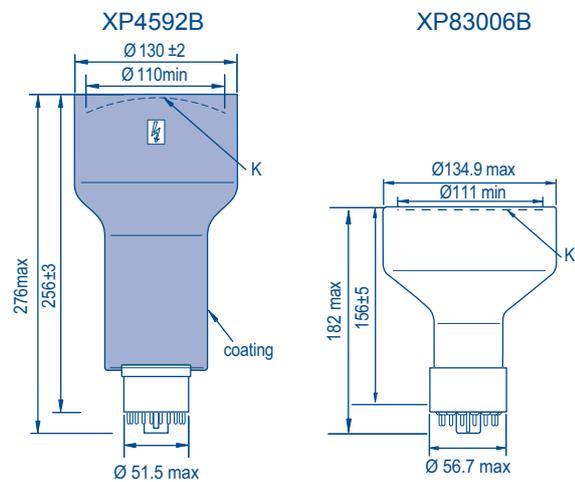
Key features		fast	good PHR
Dynode structure / number of stages		focused/8	b.c./10
Cathode luminous sensitivity (µA/lm)	typ.	70	90
Cathode blue sensitivity (µA/lmF)	min	8	10
	typ.	10	12
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)		
		80 mA/W	100 mA/W
Gain	typ.	5.0×10^5	6.7×10^4
Supply voltage	typ.	1 500	1 100
	min. (V)	1100	---
	max. (V)	2000	---
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	5	1
	max. (nA)	20	50
Anode dark counts	typ. (cps)	---	---
	max. (cps)	---	---
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)		80	---
Time response	rise (ns)	2.5	---
	FWHM (ns)	3.8	---
PHR (%)		---	6.9
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	2300	1 650
	gain	1×10^7	1×10^7
Accessories	Voltage divider	VD105K/02	---
	Socket	FE1120	FE1014
	Mu-metal shields	MS175	MS2254

PHR: for radiation source ^{137}Cs , NaI TI scintillator, Ø130 mm, h51 mm.

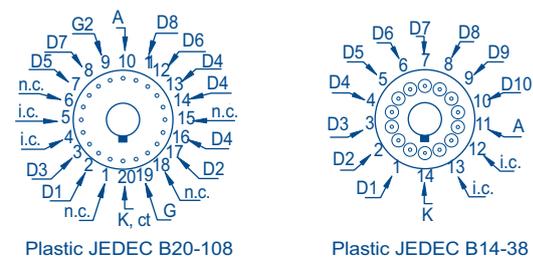
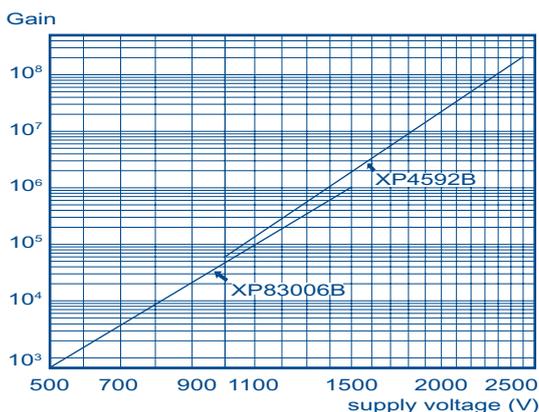
Typical spectral characteristics



Dimensions and pinning



Typical gain curves



Voltage dividers

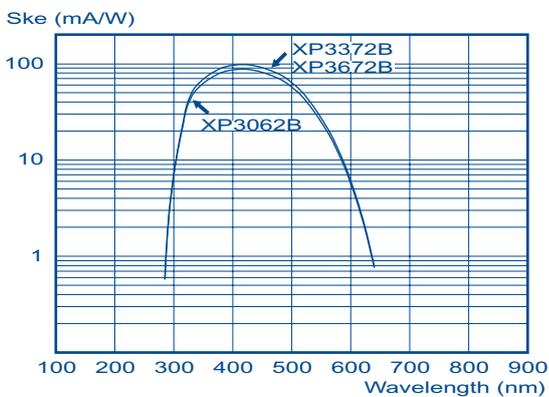
Tube	A divider type voltage ratios										
	K	G	D1	D2	...	Dn-4	Dn-3	Dn-2	Dn-1	Dn	A
XP4592B,	~3	7	2	1	...	1	1.5	2	2.5	3	2.5
XP83006B	2		1	1	...	1	1	1	1	1	1

Hexagonal faceplate tubes

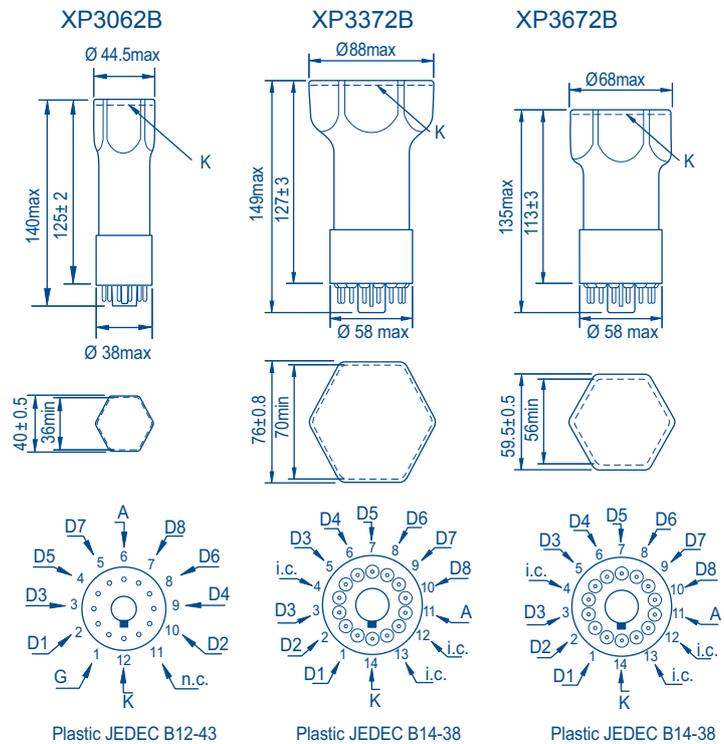
		XP3062B	XP3372B	XP3672B
Key features		40 mm, cosmic-ray air shower telescope PMT	76 mm, high PHR	60mm, high PHR
Dynode structure / number of stages		focused/8	b.l./8	b.l./8
Cathode luminous sensitivity (µA/lm)	typ.	90	100	100
Cathode blue sensitivity (µA/lmF)	min	9	11	11
	typ.	11.5	13	12
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)			
	Gain	typ.	2.6×10^5	2.3×10^5
Supply voltage	typ.	1 100	1 000	1 000
	min. (V)	900	800	800
	max. (V)	1300	1200	1200
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	1	1	1
	max. (nA)	20	20	20
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)		100	40	10
Time response	rise (ns)	3	5	5
	FWHM (ns)	4.5	11	11
PHR (%)		12	8.6	8.6
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	1 600	1 500	1 500
	gain	2×10^6	3×10^6	3×10^6
Accessories	Voltage divider	---	VD282K	VD282K
	Socket	FE1012	FE1014	FE1014

PHR: for radiation source ^{57}Co , NaI TI scintillator, Ø51 mm, h51 mm; Ø76 mm, h76 mm for XP3372B.

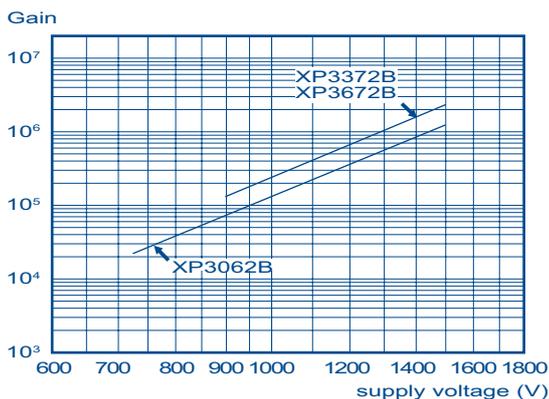
Typical spectral characteristics



Dimensions and pinning



Typical gain curves



Voltage dividers

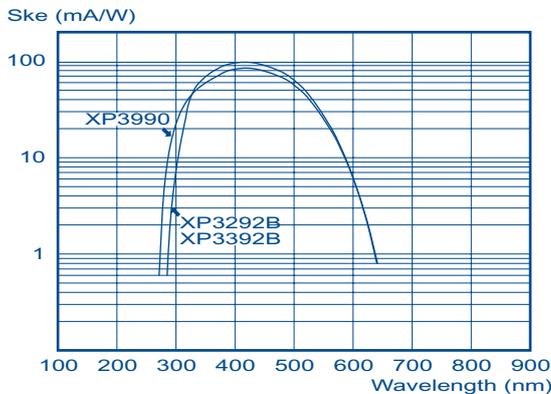
Tube	A divider type voltage ratios (for maximum gain)									
	K	G	D1	D2	D3	D4	D5	...	Dn	A
XP3062B	0.05	3	1	1	1	1	1	...	1	1
XP3372B, XP3672B	2		1.5	1.5	1.5	1	1	...	1	0.5

Square single-channel tubes

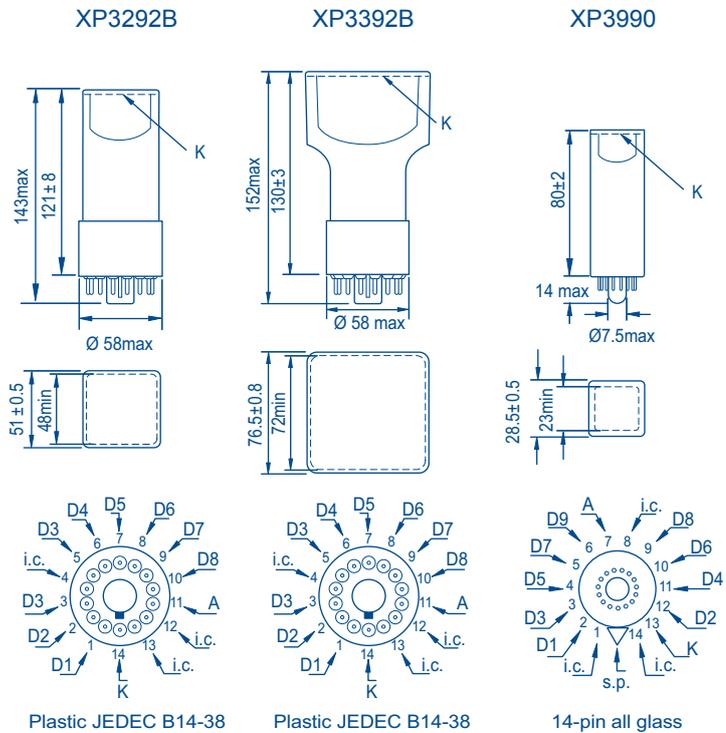
		XP3292B	XP3392B	XP3990	
Key features		51 mm, high PHR	76 mm, high PHR	29 mm	
Dynode structure / number of stages		b.1/8	b.1/8	focused/9	
Cathode luminous sensitivity (µA/lm)	typ.	100	100	85	
Cathode blue sensitivity (µA/lmF)	min	11	11	9	
	typ.	13	13	11	
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)				
	Gain	typ.	2.3x10 ⁵	2.3x10 ⁵	6.8x10 ⁵
	Supply voltage	typ.	1 000	1 000	1 100
Maximum ratings	min. (V)	800	800	1 000	
	max. (V)	1200	1200	1300	
	Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	1	1	2
Time response	max. (nA)	20	20	10	
	rise (ns)	4	5	3	
PHR (%)	FWHM (ns)	8	11	5.2	
	Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)	15	15	20	
Accessories	Time response	rise (ns)	4	5	3
	FWHM (ns)	8	11	5.2	
Maximum ratings	PHR (%)	8.6	8.5	7.3	
	supply voltage (V)	1500	1500	1 700	
Accessories	gain	3x10 ⁶	3x10 ⁶	6x10 ⁶	
	Voltage divider	VD282K	VD282K	---	
Socket		FE1014	FE1014	FE1114, FE3114	

PHR: for radiation source ⁵⁷Co, NaI Tl scintillator, Ø51 mm, h51 mm; Ø76 mm, h76 mm for XP3392B.
 PHR XP3990: for radiation source ¹³⁷Cs, NaI Tl scintillator, Ø25 mm, h25 mm

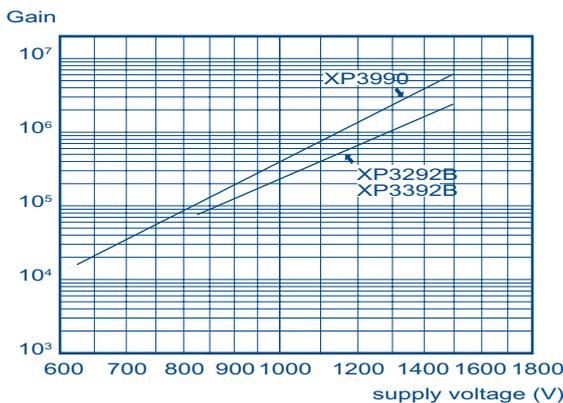
Typical spectral characteristics



Dimensions and pinning



Typical gain curves



Voltage dividers

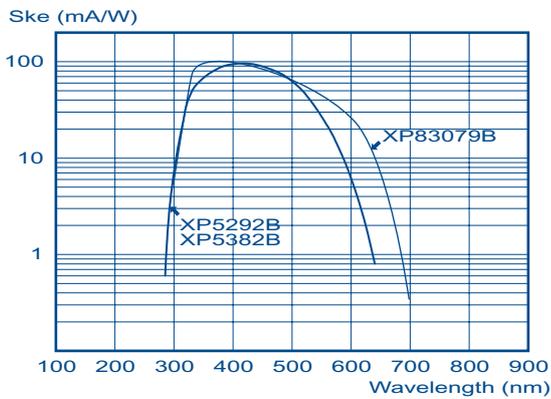
Tube	A divider type voltage ratios (for maximum gain)									
	K	D1	D2	D3	D4	D5	...	Dn	A	
XP3292B, XP3392B	2	1.5	1.5	1.5	1	1	...	1	0.5	
XP3990	2	1	1	1	1	1	...	1	1	

Square single-channel tubes

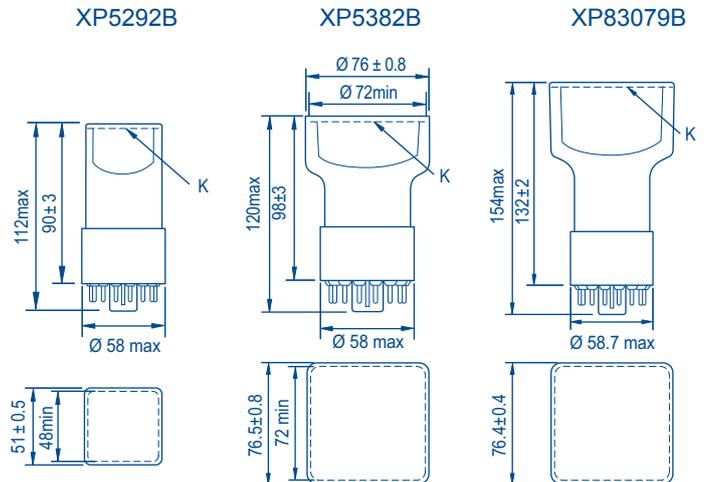
		XP5292B	XP5382B	XP83079B
Key features		51 mm, low-profile	76mm, low-profile	76 mm, green sensitive
Dynode structure / number of stages		b.l./ 9	b.l./8	b.l./ 8
Cathode luminous sensitivity (µA/lm)	typ.	100	100	120
Cathode blue sensitivity (µA/lmF)	min	11	10	9.3
	typ.	13	12.5	11.3
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)			
Gain	typ.	2.3x10 ⁵	2.4x10 ⁵	1.4x10 ⁵
Supply voltage	typ.	1 000	1 000	800
	min. (V)	800	800	---
	max. (V)	1 200	1 200	1 100
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	1	1	3
	max. (nA)	20	20	15
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)		30	---	---
Time response	rise (ns)	6	6	14
	FWHM (ns)	14	---	29
PHR (%)		8.6	8.6	9.1
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	1 500	1 500	1 200
	gain	3x10 ⁶	3x10 ⁶	2x10 ⁶
Accessories	Voltage divider	VD202K/01	VD202K/01	---
	Socket	FE1014	FE1014	FE1014

PHR for radiation source ⁶⁰Co, NaI TI scintillator, Ø76 mm, h76 mm ; Ø51 mm, h51 mm for XP5292B.

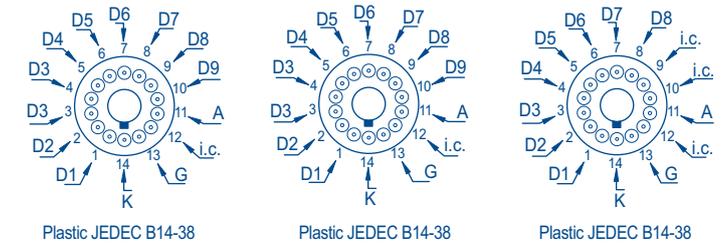
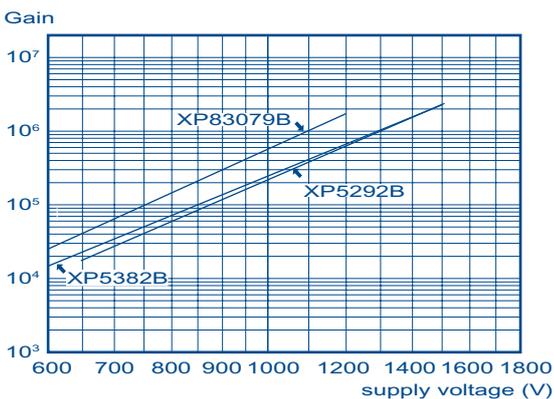
Typical spectral characteristics



Dimensions and pinning



Typical gain curves



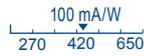
Voltage dividers

Tube	A divider type voltage ratios (for maximum gain)									
	K	G	D1	D2	D3	D4	D5	...	Dn	A
XP5292B, XP5382B	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	...	1	1
XP83079B	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	...	1	1

Multipixel tubes

XP1422

XP1452

Key features		25 mm, square, 2-channel	38 mm, 4-channel, square, with individual channel gain adjustment
Dynode structure / number of stages		foil/11	foil/11
Cathode luminous sensitivity ($\mu\text{A}/\text{lm}$)	typ.	100 (80min)	100 (70min)
Cathode blue sensitivity ($\mu\text{A}/\text{lmF}$)	min	10	10
	typ.	11	11
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)		
Gain	typ.	1.5×10^6	1.5×10^6
Supply voltage	typ.	1 150	1 150
	min. (V)	900	900
	max. (V)	1 450	1 450
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	5	30
	max. (nA)	40	100
Channel characteristics gain ratio between channel	typ.	1.3	---
	max.	2	---
Channel characteristics cross-talk	typ. (%)	15	5 (10max)
Time response	rise (ns)	4	4.5
	FWHM (ns)	6	6
PHR per channel (%)		17	19
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	1 550	1 550
	gain	2×10^7	2×10^7
Accessories	Voltage divider	VD314	---
	Socket	FE3117	FE3123

PHR: for radiation source 511 keV Gamma Ray (^{22}Na); B.G.O. scintillator. XP1422: 2-pixel crystal of w13, l24.5, h30 mm.

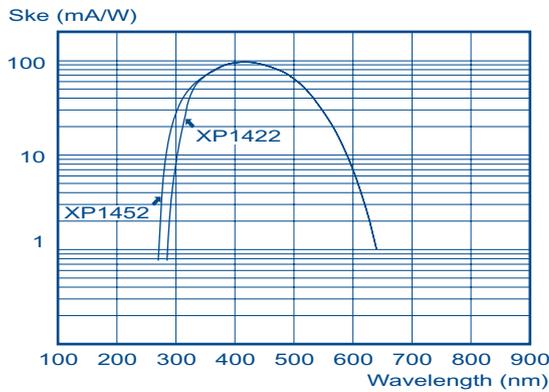
XP1452 channel gain adjustment is operated as follows.

The G1, G2, G3 and G4 electrodes voltages are set to D6 dynode voltage.

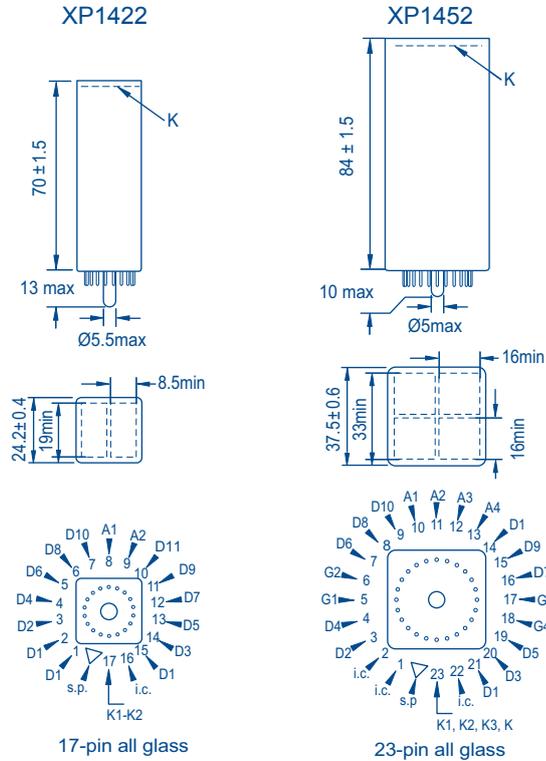
A parallel light beam illuminates the whole photocathode area, resulting in 4 different anode currents flowing through the 4 anodes.

The lowest anode current is taken as a reference. The 3 other gain electrode voltages are adjusted so that the 4 anode currents are equal.

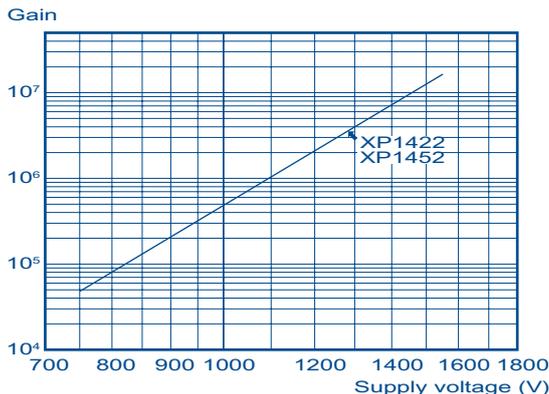
Typical spectral characteristics



Dimensions and pinning



Typical gain curves



Voltage dividers

Tube	A divider type voltage ratios (for maximum gain)						G1 to G4 individual channel gain adjustment			
	K	D1	D2	...	Dn	A ₁ to A _n	D6 to G1	D6 to G2	D6 to G3	D6 to G4
XP1422	3	1	1	...	1	2.5				
XP1452	3	2	1	...	1	1	0 to 0.3	0 to 0.3	0 to 0.3	0 to 0.3

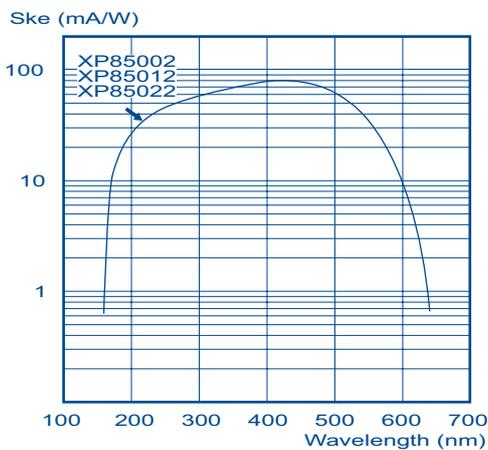
Multipixel tubes

		XP85002	XP85012	XP85022
	Key features	4-channel	64-channel	1024-channel
	Dynode structure / number of stages	MCP/2	MCP/2	MCP/2
Cathode luminous sensitivity (μA/lm)	typ.	58	58	58
	min	7	7	7
Cathode blue sensitivity (μA/lmF)	typ.	8.5	8.5	8.5
	min	7	7	7
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)	---	---	---
	Gain	typ. 1x10 ⁵	1x10 ⁵	1x10 ⁵
Supply voltage	typ.	2 100	2 100	2 100
	min. (V)	---	---	---
	max. (V)	---	---	---
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	1	1	1
	max. (nA)	5	5	5
Anode uniformity	typ.	1:1.5	1:1.5	1:1.5
	max.	---	---	---
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 5% (mA)		300	300	300
Time response	rise (ns)	0.3	0.3	0.3
	FWHM (ns)	1.8	1.8	1.8
PHR per channel(%)		10	10	10
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	2 600	2 600	2 600
	gain	1x10 ⁶	1x10 ⁶	1x10 ⁶
Accessories	Socket	---	---	---

PHR: for radiation source ¹³⁷Cs, 51 mm NaI(Tl) and 1700 V (FWHM).
Open area ratio: 85%

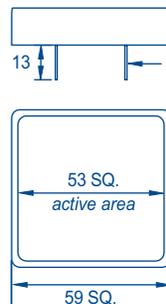
Photonis advise to use the Planacon assemblies.
For more information, see the "Assembly" chapter.

Typical spectral characteristics

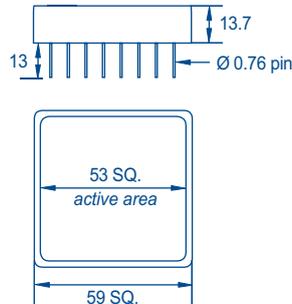


Dimensions and pinning

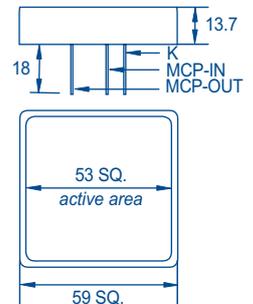
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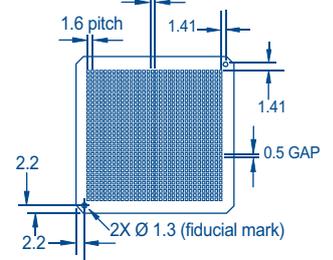
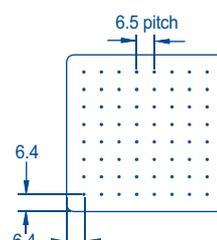
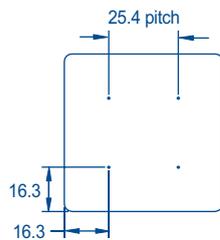
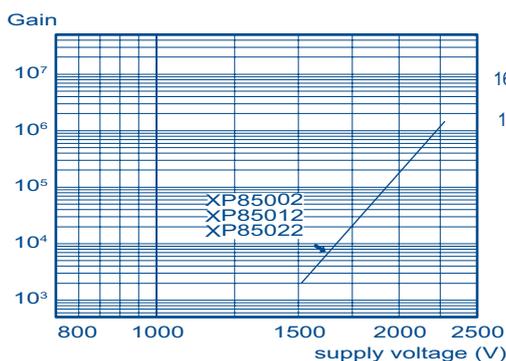
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Typical gain curves



Voltage dividers

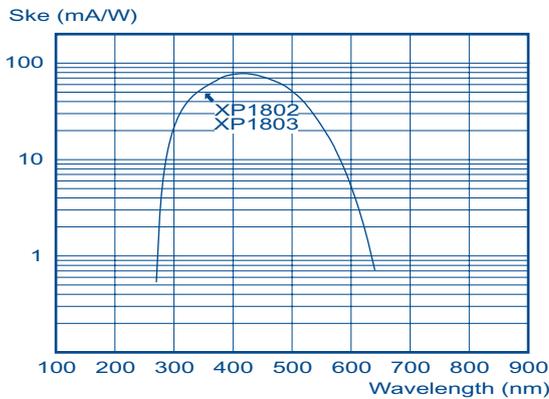
Tube	K	MCP in	MCP out	P
XP85002, XP85012, XP85022	1	10	1	1

Hemispherical tubes

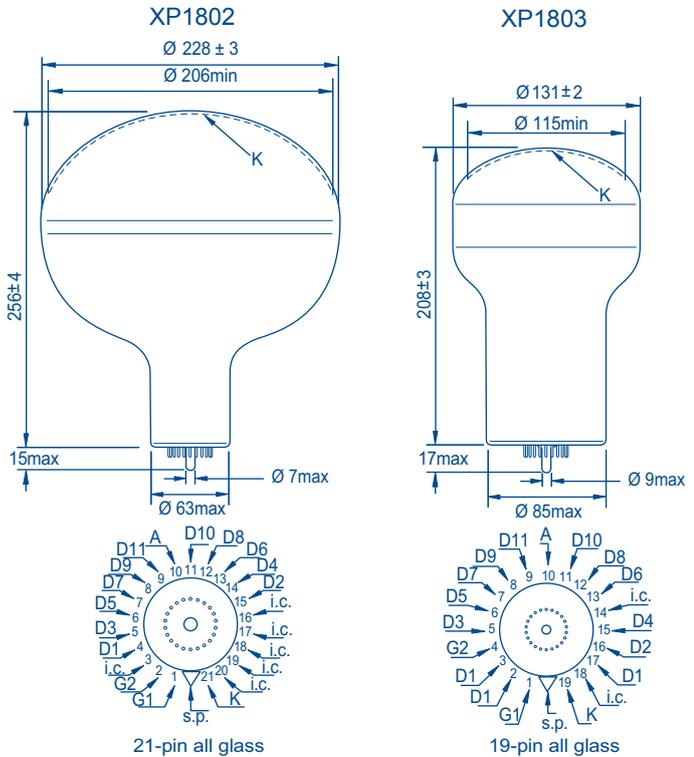
		XP1802	XP1803
Key features		230 mm (9"), fast	130 mm (5"), fast
Dynode structure / number of stages		focused/11	focused/11
Cathode luminous sensitivity (μA/lm)	typ.	60	60
Cathode blue sensitivity (μA/lmF)	min	9	8
	typ.	10	10
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)		
		Gain	typ. 1x10 ⁷
Supply voltage	typ.	2 000	1 600
	min. (V)	1 700	1 300
	max. (V)	2 500	2 100
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	45	30
	max. (nA)	150	100
Anode dark counts	typ. (cps)	4 000	1 500
	max. (cps)	10 000	5 000
Single electron spectrum	Peak to valley ratio (typ)	1.5	2.3
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)		120	150
Time response	rise (ns)	3	5
	Width FWHM (ns)	6	7
	TTS [®] FWHM (ns)	2.4	2.4
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	3 000	2 300
	gain	1x10 ⁸	1x10 ⁸
Accessories	Socket	FE2021	FE2019

Peak to valley ratio is defined as the single electron peak value divided by the minimum value to the left of the peak.

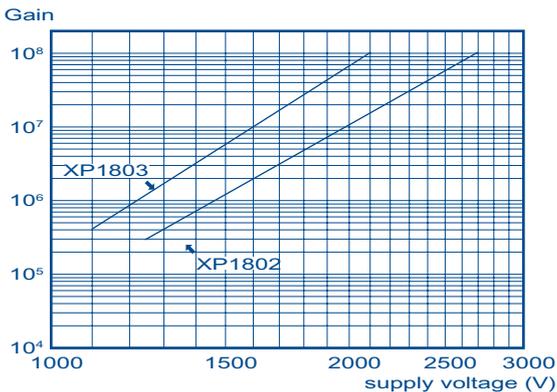
Typical spectral characteristics



Dimensions and pinning



Typical gain curves



Voltage dividers

Tube	Voltage divider ratios												
	K	G1	D1	G2	D2	D3	...	D7	D8	D9	D10	D11	A
XP1802 (Type A divider)	10	0.2	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
XP1803 (Type B divider)	10	0.07	0.25	4	4	1	1	1.5	2	2.5	3	2.5	

Hemispherical tubes

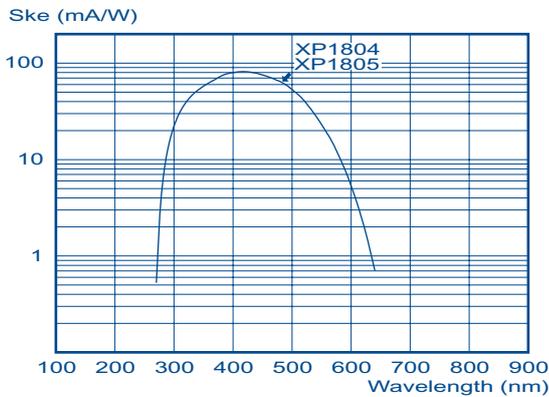
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XP1805

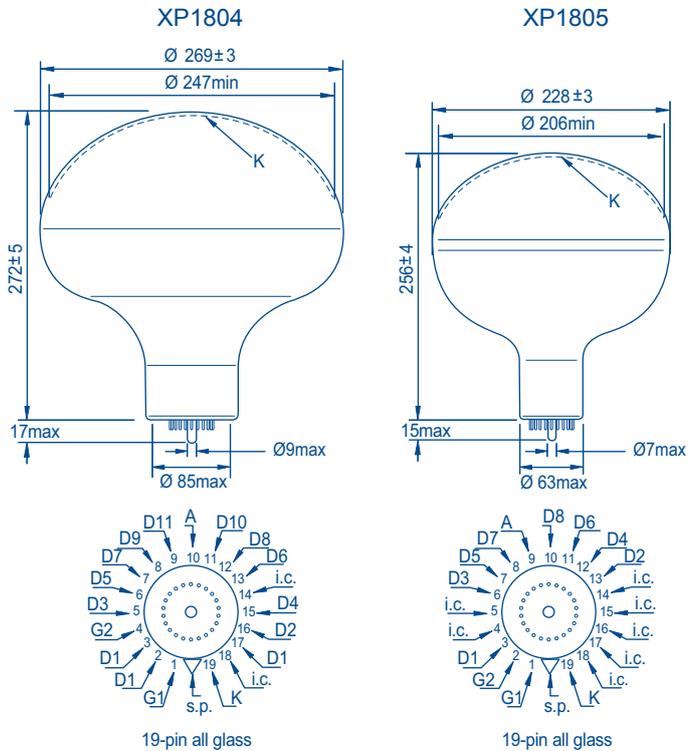
Key features		270 mm (10.6"), fast	230 mm (9"), fast
Dynode structure / number of stages		focused/11	focused/8
Cathode luminous sensitivity (µA/lm)	typ.	60	60
Cathode blue sensitivity (µA/lmF)	min	8	9
	typ.	10	10
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)	80 mA/W 270 420 650	75 mA/W 270 420 650
	Gain	typ. 1x10 ⁷	1x10 ⁶
Supply voltage	typ.	1 600	1 700
	min. (V)	1 300	1 300
	max. (V)	2 100	1 950
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	60	45
	max. (nA)	200	150
Anode dark counts	typ. (cps)	8 000	4 000
	max. (cps)	15 000	10 000
Single electron spectrum	Peak to valley ratio (typ)	2.3	1.4
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)		150	60
Time response	rise (ns)	5	3
	Width FWHM (ns)	7	---
	TTS [®] FWHM (ns)	3	2.4
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	2 300	2 000
	gain	1x10 ⁸	3x10 ⁶
Accessories	Socket	FE2019	FE2019

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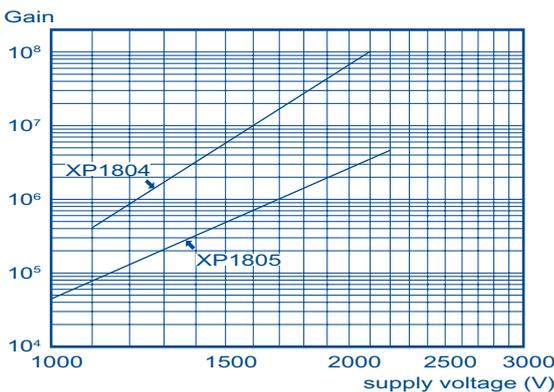
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Dimensions and pinning



Typical gain curves



Voltage dividers

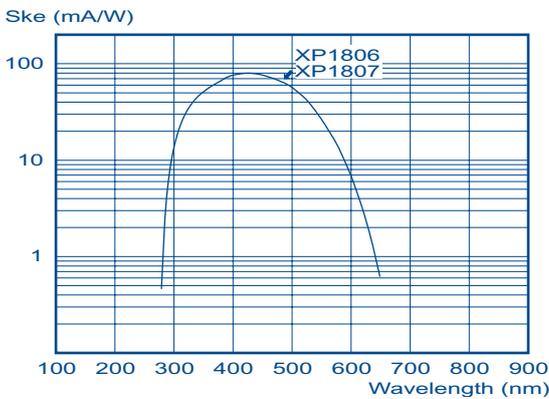
Tube	Voltage divider ratios														
	K	G1	D1	G2	D2	D3	D4	D5	D6	D7	D8	D9	D10	D11	A
XP1804	10	0.07	0.25	4	4	1	1	1	1	1.5	2	2.5	3	2.5	
XP1805	10	0.2	1	3	1.25	1.25	1.5	2.25	2.5	3	2.75				

Hemispherical tubes

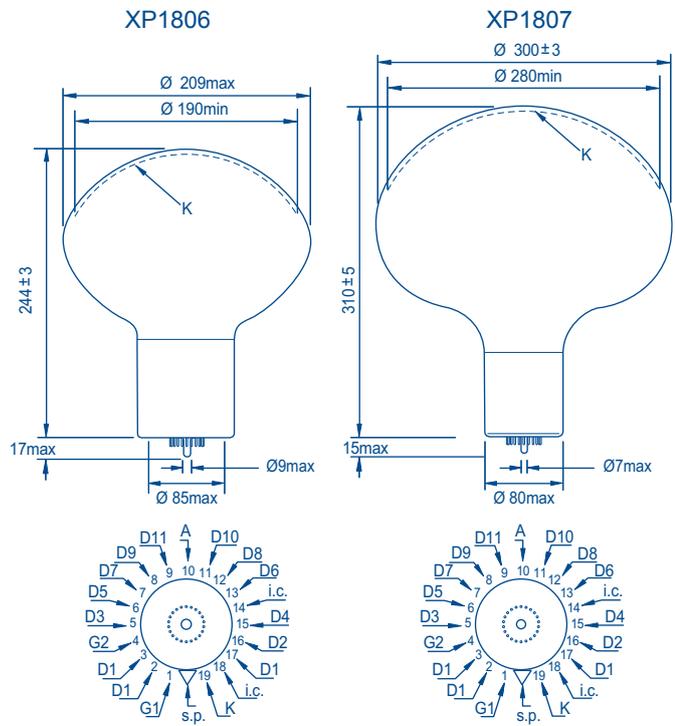
		XP1806	XP1807
Key features		203 mm (8"), fast	300 mm (12"), fast
Dynode structure / number of stages		focused/11	focused/11
Cathode luminous sensitivity (μA/lm)	typ.	60	60
Cathode blue sensitivity (μA/lmF)	min	8	8
	typ.	10	10
Cathode radiant sensitivity (mA/W)	typ. at (nm)	80 mA/W 270 420 650	80 mA/W 270 420 650
	Gain	typ. 1x10 ⁷	1x10 ⁷
Supply voltage	typ.	1 600	1 600
	min. (V)	1 300	1 300
	max. (V)	2 100	2 100
Anode dark current	typ. (nA)	50	70
	max. (nA)	150	200
Anode dark counts	typ. (cps)	4 000	10 000
	max. (cps)	10 000	20 000
Single electron spectrum	Peak to valley ratio (typ)	2.3	2.3
Max. anode pulse current for linearity 2% (mA)		150	150
Time response	rise (ns)	5	5
	Pulse width FWHM (ns)	7	7
	TTS FWHM (ns)	2.6	5
Maximum ratings	supply voltage (V)	2 300	2 300
	gain	1x10 ⁸	1x10 ⁸
Accessories	Socket	FE2019	FE2019

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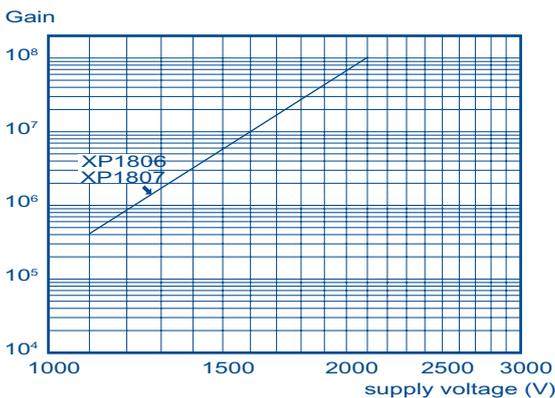
Typical spectral characteristics



Dimensions and pinning

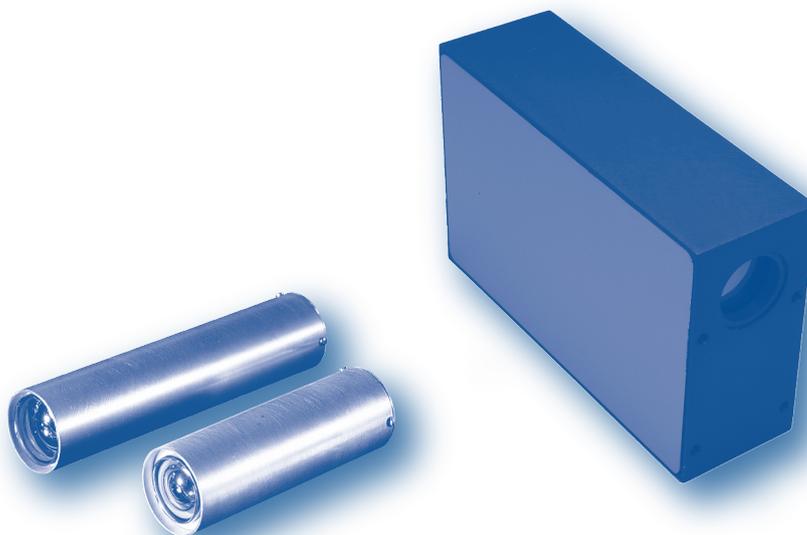


Typical gain curves



Voltage dividers

Tube	Voltage divider ratios (typeB)														
	K	G1	D1	G2	D2	D3	D4	D5	D6	D7	D8	D9	D10	D11	A
XP1806, XP1807	10	0.07	0.25	4	4	1	1	1	1	1.5	2	2.5	3	2.5	



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A complete range of assemblies is available for PHOTONIS PMTs:

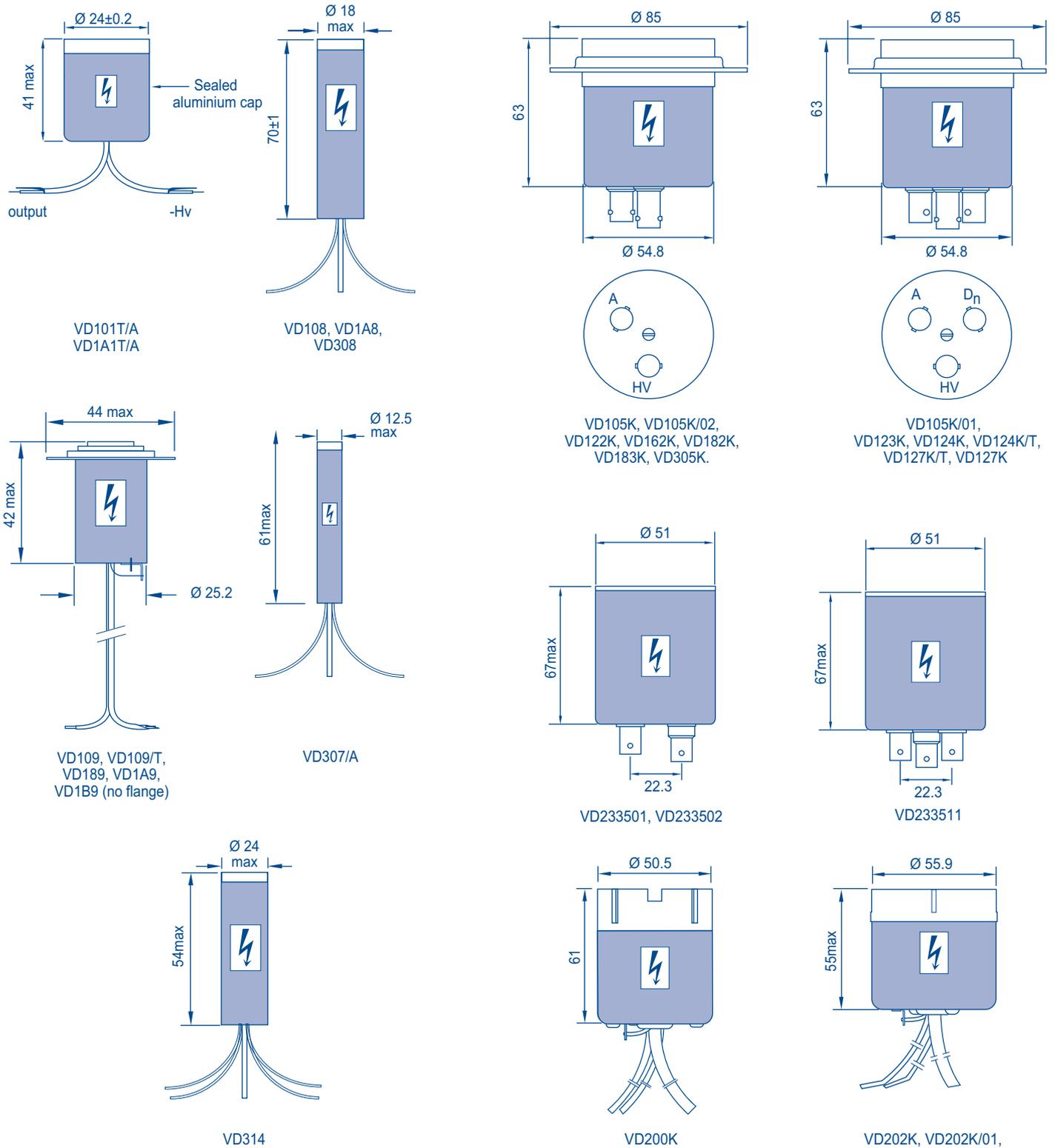
- compact voltage dividers (VD family),
- voltage divider and shield assemblies for very fast tubes (S563 family),
- customised voltage dividers supplied attached to the tubes and well adapted to large quantities (XA family),
- photon sensing (XS family) or photon counting (XD family) integrated modules including power supply ($\pm 12V$) and more.

Though those products fulfill most user's requirements, PHOTONIS also designs customised products.

Please contact your local PHOTONIS representative.

■ Voltage dividers

Dimensions (in mm)



Characteristics

<i>voltage divider</i>	<i>divider type ¹⁾</i>	<i>total resistance (MΩ)</i>	<i>I_a linearity limit ²⁾ (μA)</i>	<i>max. supply voltage ³⁾ (V)</i>	<i>dissipation ³⁾ (W)</i>	<i>main PMT types</i>	<i>supply ⁴⁾</i>	<i>output signal</i>
for 13 mm tubes								
VD197/A	A			work in progress		XP6500, XP650F	-HV	DC/pulse
VD307/A	A	3.6	18	1 300	0.5	XP1302, XP1303, XP1308	+HV	pulse
for 19 mm tubes								
VD108	B	5.9	13	1 800	0.5	XP1911, XP1911/UV, XP1912, XP1918, XP1981	-HV	DC/pulse
VD108/A	A	4.2	18	1 800	0.8	XP1911, XP1911/UV, XP1912, XP1918, XP1981	-HV	DC/pulse
VD1A8	A	4	10	1 700	0.7	XP2802, XP2812, XP2822, XP2832, XP2882	-HV	DC/pulse
VD308	A	4.2	18	1 800	0.8	XP1911, XP1911/UV, XP1912, XP1918, XP1981	+HV	pulse
VD308/B	B	5.6	14	1 800	0.6	XP1911, XP1911/UV, XP1912, XP1918, XP1981	+HV	pulse
for 25 mm tubes								
VD101T/A	A	3.8	50	1 800	0.9	XP3100, XP3108, XP3132	-HV	DC/pulse
VD1A1T/A	A	3.9	50	1 600	0.7	XP31S2	-HV	DC/pulse
VD314	A	-	-	1 700	0.4	XP1422	+HV	pulse
for 29 mm tubes								
VD109	B	5.9	13	1 800	0.6	XP2900, XP2901, XP2972, XP2978	-HV	DC/pulse
VD109/T ⁶⁾	A	2.5	300	1 500	0.9	XP2900, XP2901, XP2972, XP2978	-HV	DC/pulse
VD189	B	5.5	13	1 800	0.6	XP2960	-HV	DC/pulse
VD1A9	A	3.9	10	1 600	0.7	XP2920, XP2930, XP2940, XP2950	-HV	DC/pulse
VD1B9	A	3	25	1 800	1.1	XP2970	-HV	DC/pulse
VD2345	-	-	-	-	-	XP83120, XP83121	-	-
for 39 mm tubes								
VD100T/A ⁶⁾	A			work in progress		XP20A2	-HV	DC/pulse
VD200K	A	3.6	21	1 800	0.9	XP2012B, XP2013B, XP2015B, XP2017B, XP2018B, XP2042B, XP2060B, XP2072B, XP2090B	-HV (or +HV)	DC/pulse (pulse)
VD200K/B	B	5.5	13	1 800	0.6	XP2012B, XP2013B, XP2015B, XP2017B, XP2018B, XP2042B, XP2060B, XP2072B, XP2090B	-HV (or +HV)	DC/pulse (pulse)
for 51, 60, 76, 90 and 130 mm tubes (standard)								
VD202K	A	3.6	21	1 800	0.9	XP2202B, XP2203B, XP3230B, XP3232B, XP3330B, XP3332B, XP6242B, XP6342B	-HV (or +HV)	DC/pulse (pulse)
VD202K/01	A	4.2	15	1 500	0.6	XP3392B, XP3540B, XP3712B, XP3730B, XP3732B, XP5200B, XP5202B, XP5292B, XP5300B, XP5302B, XP5382B, XP5612B, XP5700B, XP6242B, XP6342B	-HV (or +HV)	DC/pulse (pulse)
VD202K/03	A	3.8	15	1 500	0.6	XP52Y2B, XP53Y2B	-HV (or +HV)	DC/pulse (pulse)
VD282K	A	3.3	20	1 500	0.7	XP3212B, XP3292B, XP3312B, XP3372B, XP3392B, XP3612B, XP3672B	-HV (or +HV)	DC/pulse (pulse)
for 51, 60, 76 and 130 mm tubes (fast and very fast)								
S563	C	1.8	56	3 000	5.0	XP2020, XP2020Q, XP2254B, XP2262B, XP2272B	-HV	DC/pulse
S563/04	C	1.9	53	3 000	4.7	XP2020UR, XP2020URQ	-HV	DC/pulse
VD105K ⁵⁾	C	2.8	40	2 700	2.6	XP4500B, XP4508B, XP4512B, XP4572B	-HV	DC/pulse
VD105K/01 ^{5) 6)}	C	2.8	250	2 700	2.7	XP4500B, XP4508B, XP4512B, XP4572B	-HV	DC/pulse
VD105K/02 ⁵⁾	C	2.6	40	2 300	2.1	XP4592B	-HV	DC/pulse
VD122K ⁵⁾	B	2.2	53	2 500	2.8	XP2260B, XP2262B, XP2272B	-HV	DC/pulse
VD123K ^{5) 6)}	C	3	300	3 000	3.1	XP4312B, XP4318B, XP4362B, XP4372B, XP4392B	-HV	DC/pulse
VD124K ⁵⁾	C	2.2	58	3 000	4.0	XP2020, XP2020Q, XP2254B	-HV	DC/pulse
VD124K/T/ ⁶⁾	C	2.2	400	3 000	4.0	XP2020, XP2020Q, XP2254B	-HV	DC/pulse
VD127K/T ⁶⁾	C	2.8	400	3 000	3.2	XP2020UR, XP2020URQ	-HV	DC/pulse
VD162K/B	B	1.5	70	2 200	3.2	XP2242B	-HV	DC/pulse
VD182K/C ⁶⁾	C	1.9	300	2 500	3.4	XP2282B	-HV	DC/pulse
VD183K	C	4	23	2 000	1.0	XP3462B, XP3468B	-HV	DC/pulse
VD233501	A	9.2	-	2500	-	XP8850, XP8852	-HV	DC/pulse
VD233502	A	9.2	-	2500	-	XP8850, XP8852	+HV	pulse
VD233511	A	9.2	-	2500	-	XP8850, XP8852	-HV	DC/pulse
VD305K/B ⁵⁾	C	2.8	40	2 700	2.6	XP4500B, XP4508B, XP4512B, XP4572B	+HV	pulse

Notes

- ¹⁾ A: iterative voltage divider which maximizes gain;
 B: progressive voltage divider which optimizes linearity and in most cases the timing characteristics;
 C: progressive voltage divider for certain fast tubes which provides a good compromise between A-type and B-type dividers for gain, linearity and timing characteristics.
- ²⁾ The mentioned current is the anode current above which the linearity of the PMT is affected by more than 4%, due to the limitation of the divider circuitry; the PMT has however its own linearity, which is not included in this number; see Linearity and Voltage Dividers for more details.
- ³⁾ at max. supply voltage.
- ⁴⁾ -HV: cathode at -HV; anode grounded;
 +HV: anode at +HV, cathode grounded.

The VD200K, VD202K, and VD282K families are suitable for both +HV and -HV. They are supplied set for -HV operation. For +HV operation, remove the cap and modify the internal connections according to the instructions supplied with the base.

- ⁵⁾ possible voltage adjustments with internal trimmer:

VD105K: G1 and G2 voltages;
 VD105K/01: G1 voltage;
 VD105K/02: G1 voltage;
 VD122K: D2 voltage;
 VD123K: G voltage;
 VD124K: G1 and D2 voltages;
 VD305K/B: G1 and G2 voltages;

- ⁶⁾ The last 3 stages are transistorized, stabilizing the dynode voltages to within 1 V at up to 100 μ A and above.

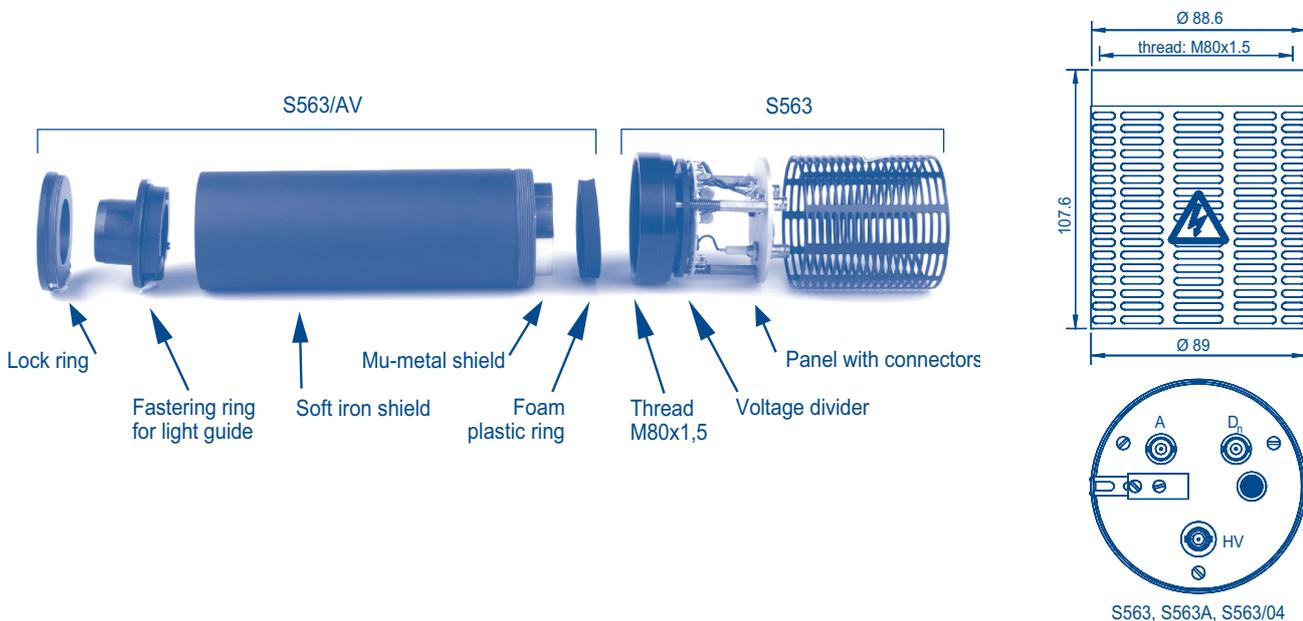
Voltage divider and shield for very fast tubes

Special assemblies including a voltage divider and an optional mu-metal shield are available for 2" fast PMTs used to detect very brief low-intensity light pulses in physics experiments using coincidence measurements, Cherenkov light studies, high-speed scintillators, and in single photoelectron counting.



	Voltage divider	+ Front shield	=	Voltage divider & Front shield assembly
Fast tubes	S563			S5632
Ultra fast tubes	S563/04	+ S5632/AV	=	S5632/04
Length (mm)	108	240		334
Diameter (mm)	90	80		90
Mass (g)	490	4000		4490

See voltage dividers characteristics (p.74).



Voltage dividers assemblies (Including PMT)

Integrated voltage dividers on PMTs (XA family)

Customized assemblies



PHOTONIS designs voltage divider assemblies, an extremely cost effective way of meeting your mechanical and electrical requirements. Supplied attached to the tube and ready for use, these assemblies contain a voltage divider and additional electronic circuitry such as protection resistors and decoupling components. They provide the optimum interface between PMT and your signal-processing circuitry, ensuring the highest signal quality in your application (the first stage of your anode signal amplification chain can be included).

The XA family consists of a photomultiplier tube, a printed circuit board supported at the tube base by an insulating stand-off, a shrink tube sleeve enclosing the circumference of the tube and a vinyl cap enclosing the tube base. The assembly provides for exclusion of stray light and electrical isolation of the photocathode from ground potentials.

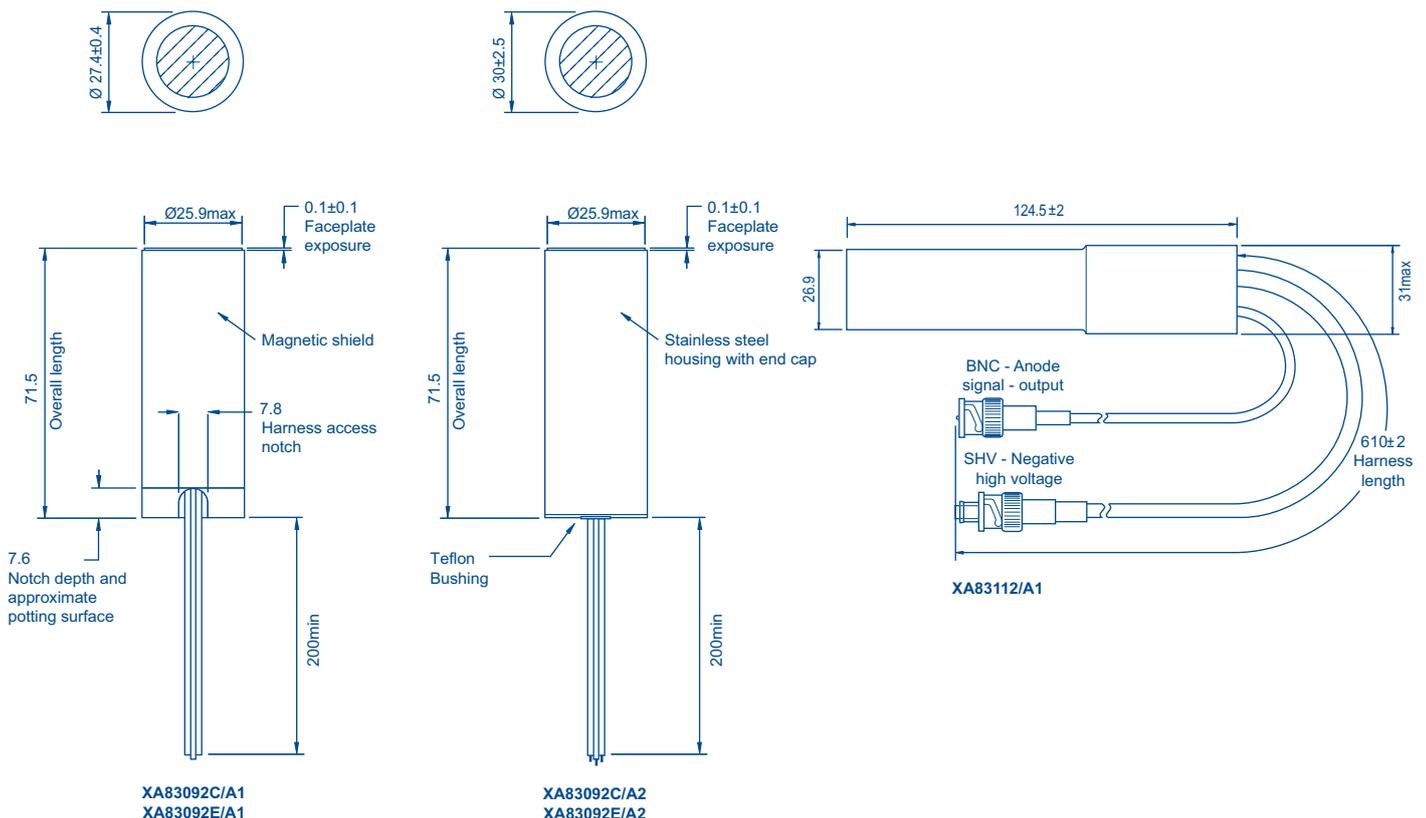
Positive and negative high voltage configurations are available for scintillation-counting, detection and measurement of low-light level events.

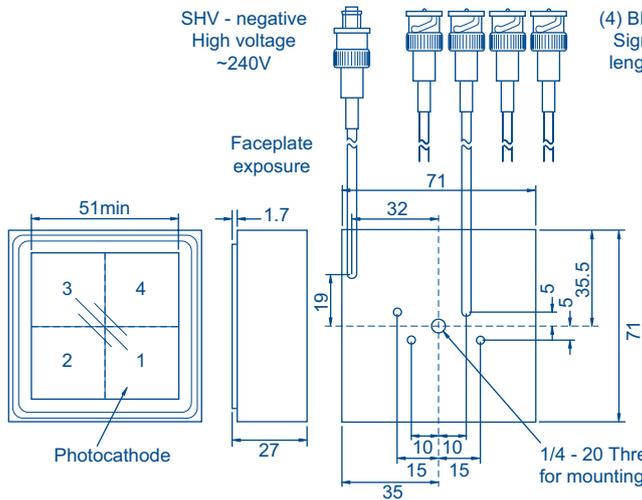
Two types of voltage divider network (VDN) are offered as standards: type A for increased gain, type B for increased peak linear anode current ($1Vs=200k\Omega$).

Type	K	G	D1	G2	D2	D3	D4	D5	D6	D7	D8	A
A	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
B	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.3	1.5	2	3	

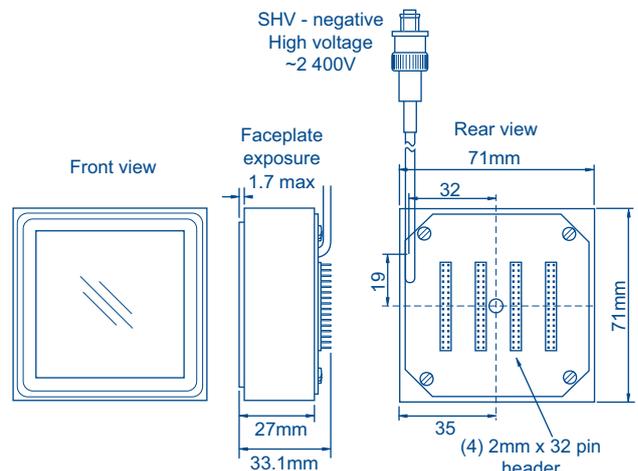
Assembly type	Based on PMT	Min Input \varnothing (mm)	Characteristics	Assembly components
XA83092E/A1	XP83092E	19	high temp bi-alkali, 175°C	PMT, VDN, magnetic shield
XA83092E/A2	XP83092E	19	high temp bi-alkali, 175°C	PMT, VDN, steel housing
XA83092C/A1	XP83092C	19	high temp bi-alkali, 90°C	PMT, VDN, magnetic shield
XA83092C/A2	XP83092C	19	high temp bi-alkali, 90°C	PMT, VDN, steel housing
XA83112/A1	XP83112	19	high gain	PMT, linear VDN, terminated cables
XA83112/A2	XP83112	19	high pulse linearity	PMT, tapered VDN, terminated cables
XA83112/A3	XP83112	19	---	PMT, linear VDN, magnetic shield
XA83112/A4	XP83112	19	---	PMT, tapered VDN, magnetic shield
XA85001/A1	XP85001	50.8	MCP, UV-sensitive	PMT, VDN, 4 terminated cables
XA85002/A1	XP85002	53	MCP, UV-sensitive	PMT, VDN, 4 terminated cables
XA85011/A1	XP85011	50.8	MCP, UV-sensitive	PMT, VDN, 64-pin output
XA85012/A1	XP85012	53	MCP, UV-sensitive	PMT, VDN, 64-pin output

Note : for MCP based PMT, the minimum input dimension given is the length of the square area.

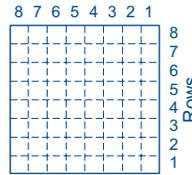




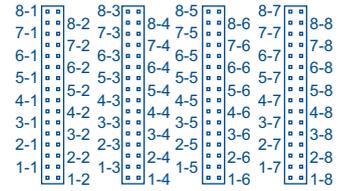
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Pixel I.D. (Front view)
Columns

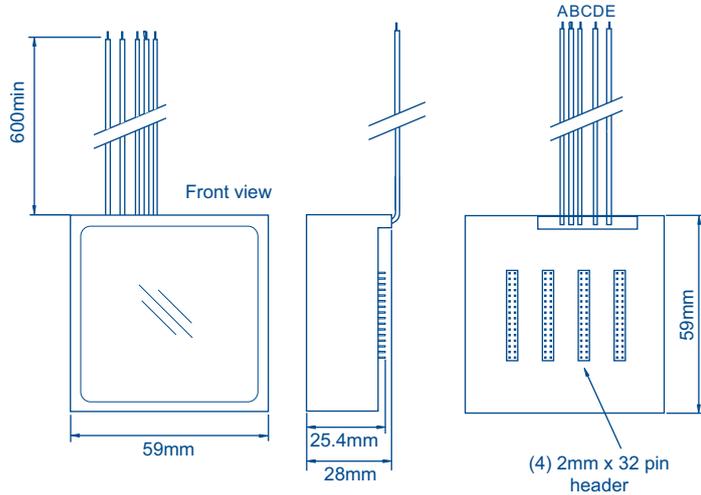


Interface connections (Rear view)



I.D By row-column, all unidentified pins are at ground potential.

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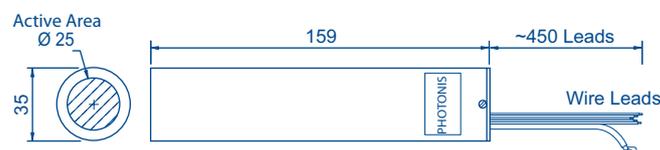


XA85012/A1

- A Power Gnd
- B MCP Output Signal
- C MCP Output Bias
- D MCP Input Bias
- E Cathode Bias

Photon sensing integrated module (XS family)

Assembly type	Based on PMT	Min Input Ø (mm)	Characteristics	Assembly components
XS83120/N1	XP83120	25	---	PMT, VDN, power supply (-), 20kHz amplifier
XS83120/N2	XP83120	25	---	PMT, VDN, power supply (-), 200kHz amplifier
XS83120/N3	XP83120	25	---	PMT, VDN, power supply (-), 10MHz amplifier
XS83121/N1	XP83121	25	red-sensitive	PMT, VDN, power supply (-), 20kHz amplifier
XS83121/N2	XP83121	25	red-sensitive	PMT, VDN, power supply (-), 200kHz amplifier
XS83121/N3	XP83121	25	red-sensitive	PMT, VDN, power supply (-), 10MHz amplifier



XS83120, XS83121

Photon counting integrated module (XD family)

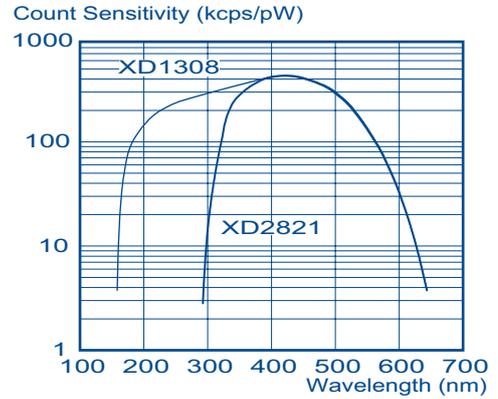
Assembly type	Based on PMT	Min Input Ø (mm)	Characteristics	Assembly components
XD1308	XP1308	9	high gain, low noise, UV-sensitive	PMT, VDN, power supply (+), fast amplifier-discriminator
XD2821	XP2822	15	high gain, low noise, green-sensitive	PMT, VDN, power supply (+), fast amplifier-discriminator

Characteristics (at 25°C)		
Recommended supply voltage	+4.5 to 5.5	(V)
Max. supply current	200	(mA)
Counting linearity ¹⁾	3.6	(Mcps)
Dead time (DT)	25	(ns)
Max. raw count rate ²⁾	20	(Mcps)
Output pulse width	20	(Ns)
Output logic	TTL, positive	

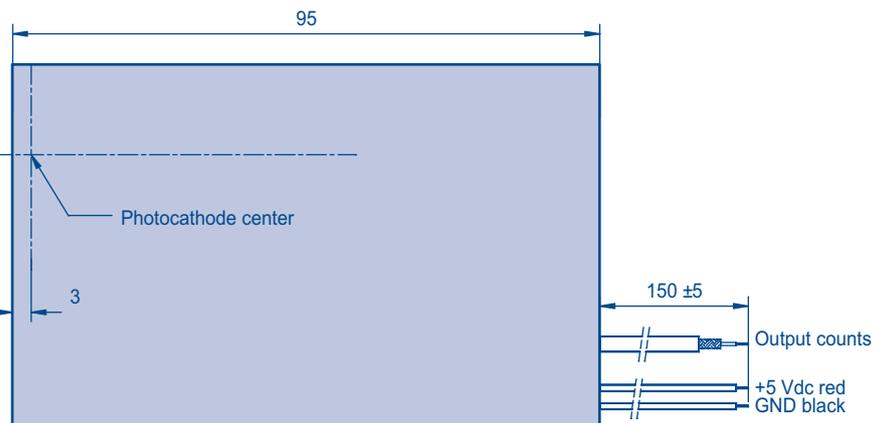
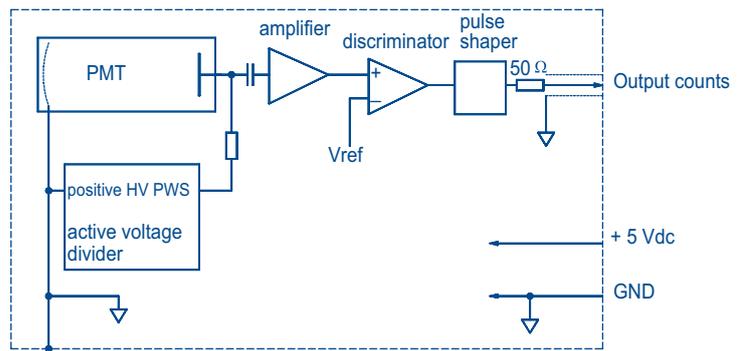
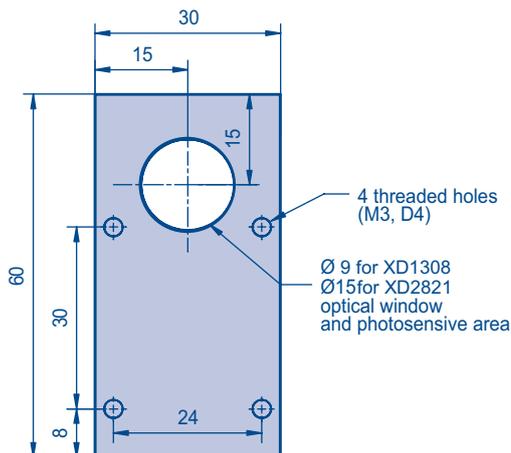
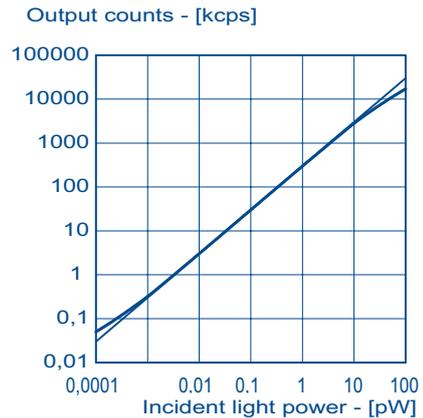
¹⁾: missed, due to pulse pile-up.
 The true count rate is $N = n / (1 - n \cdot xDT)$ where n is the measured rate.
²⁾: max measured rate limit before overload.

		XD1308	XD2821
Background noise	typ (cps)	15	20
	max (cps)	80	100
Counting sensitivity at 420 nm	(kcps/pW)	430	430
	min (lcps/pW)	225	250
Counting sensitivity at 515 nm	typ (kcps/pW)	270	300
Max supply voltage	(V)	6	6
Max constant count rate	(Cps)	5M	5M

Typical spectral



Typical sensitivity curves at 515 nm



■ Sockets

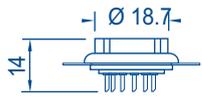
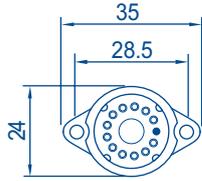
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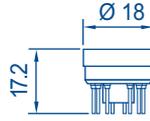
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FE3113

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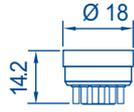
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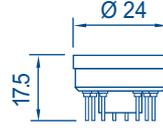


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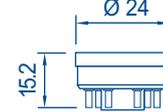


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FE3112/W

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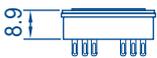


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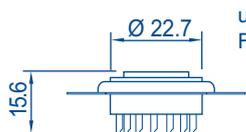
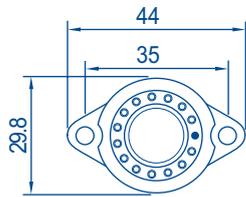
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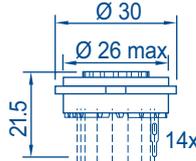


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FE2263B

for 29 mm tubes, 14-pin glass foot

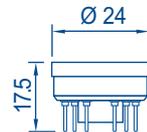


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FE1114

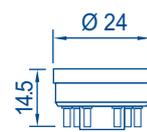


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FE3114

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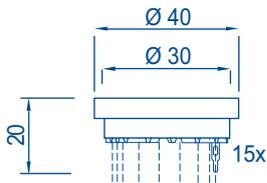
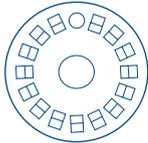


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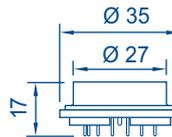
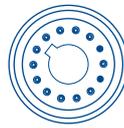
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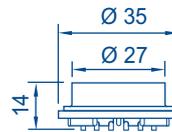


used for wires
and PCB
FE1115
for 14-pin glass-foot
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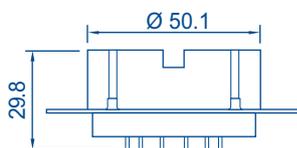
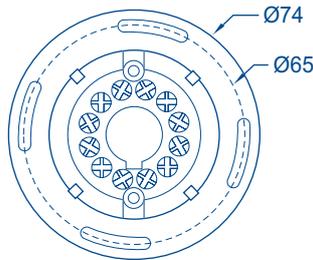
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used for PCB
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for glass foot tubes



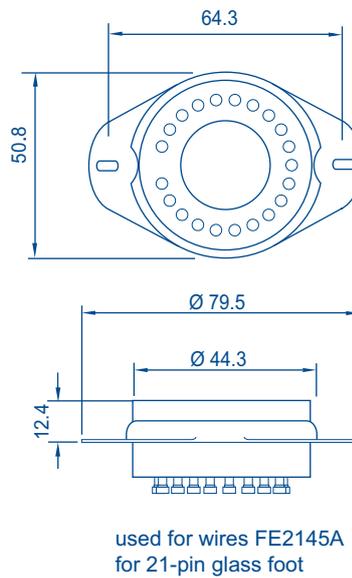
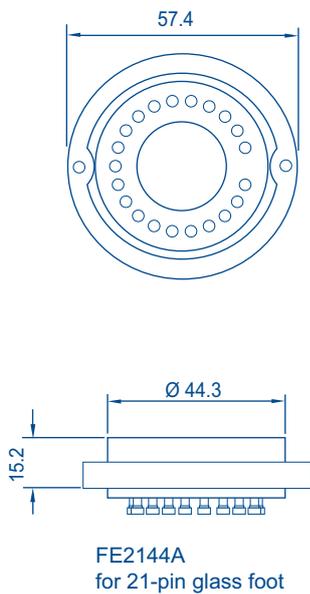
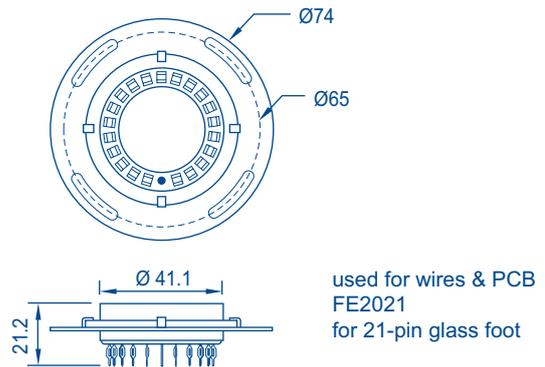
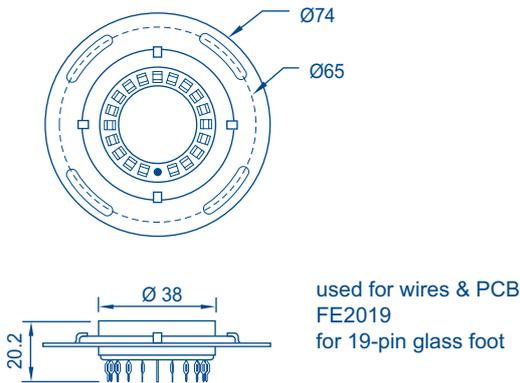
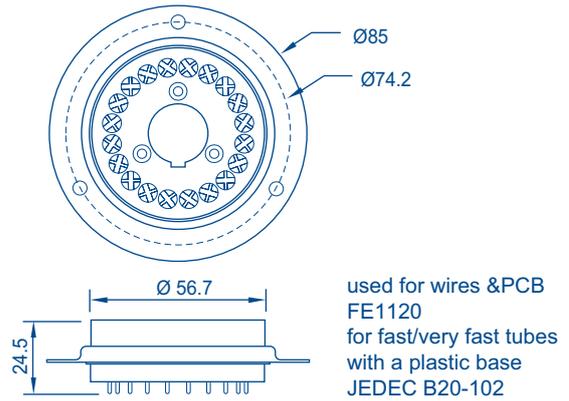
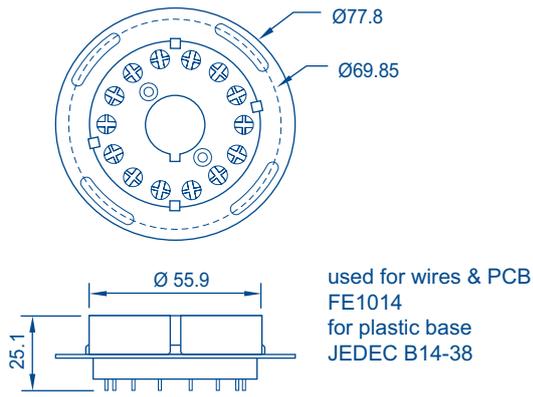
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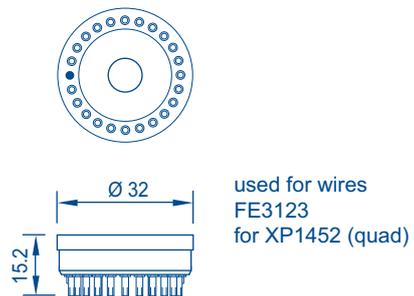
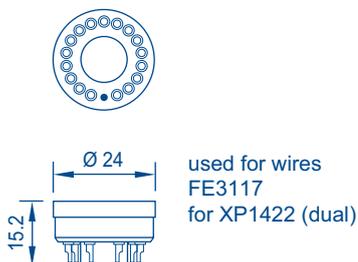
used for wires & PCB
FE1012
for tubes with a
plastic base
JEDEC B12-43

dimensions in mm

for 51 mm tubes and bigger



for multipixel tubes



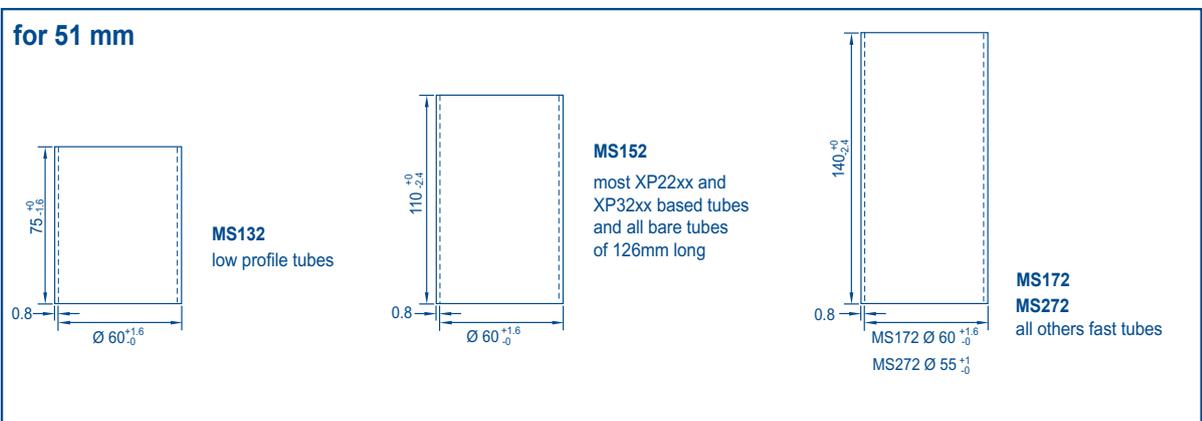
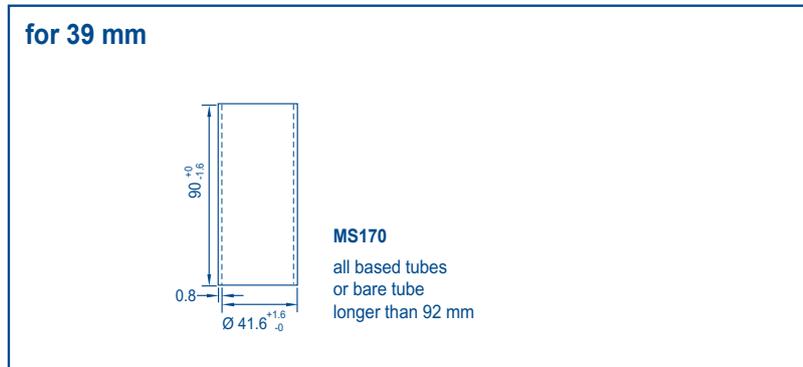
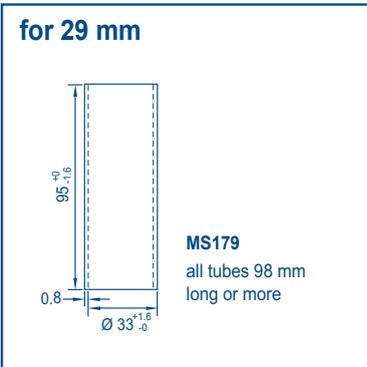
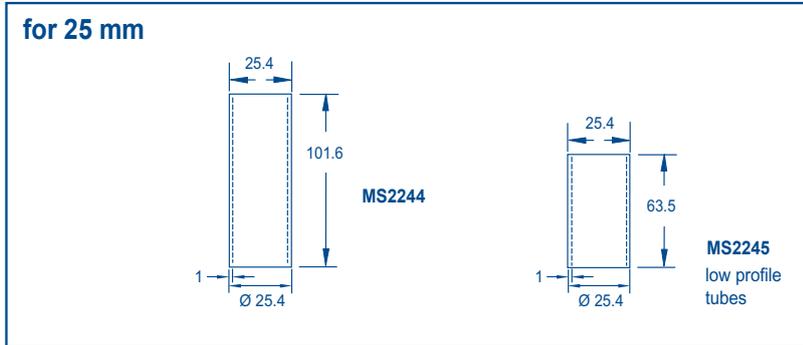
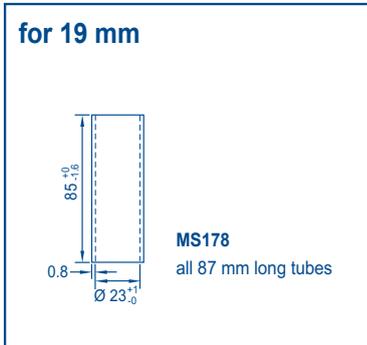
dimensions in mm

Mu-metal shields

PHOTONIS 'treated' mu-metal shields provide effective protection against magnetic fields up to 5 mT (depending on the tube type), and exhibit virtually no remanence after exposure to strong fields. All shields surfaces are painted mat black.

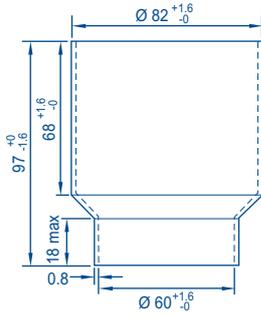
Take due care when handling mu-metal shields, strong mechanical shocks or deformations can degrade their magnetic properties.

PHOTONIS also designs customised magnetic shields. Please, contact your local PHOTONIS sales organization if you are interested in a special device.

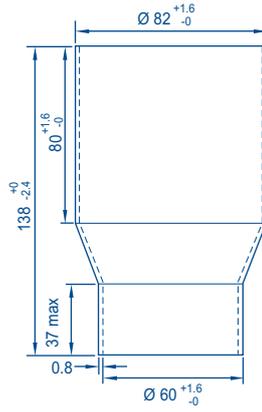


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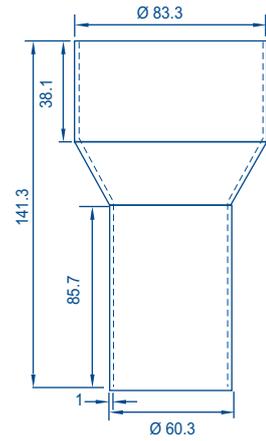
for 76 mm



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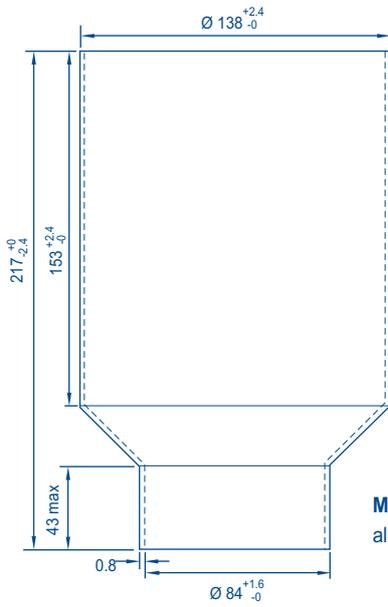


MS153
all others 76 mm tubes

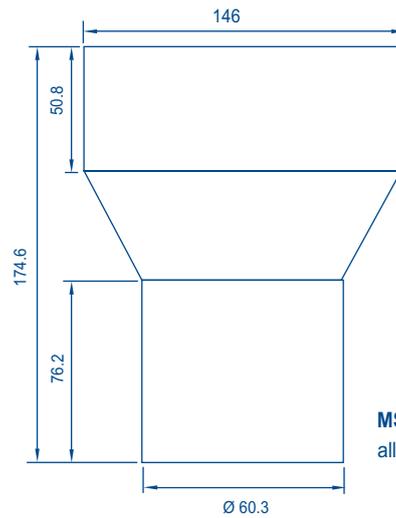


MS2253
XP83021B, XP83049B

for 130 mm



MS175
all XP45xx family tubes



MS2254
all others 130mm tubes

dimensions in mm

Instructions for use

These instructions have to be followed in order to get the best performance when operating the photomultiplier tubes. Failure to observe these instructions will invalidate the Photonis guarantee.

Storage

- **Store in darkness.**
- **Store within the temperature range** specified in the data sheet.
- **Store in a dry atmosphere.** Glass is hygroscopic and accumulated moisture (especially in plastic bases) will cause increased dark current when the tube is in use.
- **Do not store in a helium-enriched atmosphere.** Helium will penetrate the glass envelope and deteriorate the vacuum, especially for borosilicate glass or fused silica tubes.

Cleaning

- UV-transmitting glass windows must only be cleaned with alcohol. Protect them from water and acetone at all times.
- The usual detergents and solvents (water, alcohol, trichloroethylene, acetone etc.) can be used to clean the glass envelopes and all windows except those of UV-transmitting glass.

Operating conditions

- **Luminance.** Protect tubes from ambient light when applying the supply voltage. 10^{-5} lm is sufficient to cause the permissible anode current to be exceeded.
- **Voltages, currents and temperatures.** Do not exceed the specified maximum ratings.
- **Humidity.** Operate in a dry atmosphere (see Storage).
- **Helium.** Helium must not be in excess in the atmosphere (see Storage).
- **Pressure.** Tubes can be operated in a vacuum or up to one atmosphere over-pressure. However, if a tube with a plastic base is to be used in a vacuum, drill a hole (max. depth 2 mm) into the base to allow trapped air to escape.
- **Window potential.** The external surface of the glass tube, and any electrostatic or magnetic shield fitted to it, must be at the same potential as the cathode to prevent electrolysis which will deteriorate the tube. The potential difference between the glass bulb and any close objects must be kept to a minimum to prevent electrostatic discharge. To prevent electrolysis and discharge, connect the cathode to ground potential and the anode to +HT. If the tube has to be operated with the cathode connected to -HT and the anode connected to ground, it must be supported by insulators of at least $10^{15} \Omega$. In the latter mode of operation, noise and dark current will generally be higher and erratic.
- **Warm-up.** Before taking any measurements, wait at least half an hour after the HT has been applied to allow the dark current to stabilize.



Factory in Brive, France

Connections

- Always use a PHOTONIS socket.
- When inserting or removing a tube, always keep the axis of the tube parallel to the axis of the socket.
- Never make connections to tube pins identified in the data sheets or in this publication as i.c. (internally connected) or n.c. (not connected).

Note: If application conditions really prevent the use of a socket, use electric spot-welding to make connections to the pins of a glass-base tube. Do not solder directly to the pins - the heat of soldering can crack the glass envelope.

Measuring very short pulses

Where very short pulses are to be measured, observe good high-frequency wiring practice to avoid pulse distortion. Decouple the last two dynodes by connecting their reservoir capacitors direct to the sheath of the output coaxial cable; keep the capacitor leads as short as possible to minimize stray inductance and prevent ringing.

Many tubes intended for high-frequency pulse work have integral damping resistors in the base connected to the last one or two dynodes. If the tube you are using does not, connect non-inductive 51Ω resistors externally between the last two dynodes and their reservoir capacitors.

Safety precautions

Normal safety precautions should be observed with regard to electrical shock hazards. Photomultiplier tubes should be installed, used and serviced only by qualified personnel. They should be operated strictly in accordance with the Instructions for use. Eye protection should be worn when handling tubes of 100 mm diameter or larger. Full body protection should be worn when handling large tubes such as 9" and 10.6" hemispherical PMTs.

Warranty

Unless otherwise agreed, the Seller (PHOTONIS) guarantees to the original Buyer to refund the price paid for, or at the Seller's discretion, to repair or replace, those tubes which proved to the seller's reasonable satisfaction not to conform to the published specifications at the time of receipt by the Buyer or to have failed by reason of faulty design or workmanship during a period of twelve months following the date of shipment.

This guarantee is subject to the following provisions:

1. Claims for damage in transit will be considered only if the Buyer promptly notifies the Seller upon receipt of the tubes.
2. The guarantee shall not extend to failures by reason of defects which ought reasonably to have been discovered by the Buyer upon inspection and testing of the tubes and were not reported to the Seller within thirty days.
3. The Buyer informs the Seller promptly on discovery of any alleged defect and when requested, returns the tubes, carriage paid, as the Seller directs with a full written report of the defect together with the original test tickets of the tubes.
4. The tubes have been stored installed, maintained, and used properly having regard in particular to the applicable specifications and Instructions for use as published by the Seller.
5. The Seller's liability in the case of tubes or components not of the Seller's manufacture shall in no circumstances extend beyond any corresponding liability to the Seller of the manufacturer of such tubes or components.

All expressed and implied conditions; warranties and other liabilities arising under common law or statute are expressly excluded. Save as in this Guarantee hereinbefore expressed, the Seller shall be under no liability in contract tort or otherwise for any personal injury, loss or damage of whatsoever kind, however caused, or for anything done or committed in connection with the tubes or any work in connection therewith.

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