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PERFORMANCE SPECIFICATION SHEET

ELECTRON TUBE, KLYSTRON  
TYPE 6BL6 \*

This specification is approved for use by all Departments and Agencies of the Department of Defense.

The requirements for acquiring the electron tube described herein shall consist of this document and the latest issue of MIL-PRF-1.

DESCRIPTION: Reflex, external cavity, pulse, and CW operation.

ABSOLUTE RATINGS:

| Parameter: | Ef  | Ec1  | Ec2  | Ec3  | Er   | Ik    | Ehk  | Pi  | tk  | Alt    |
|------------|-----|------|------|------|------|-------|------|-----|-----|--------|
| Unit:      | V   | V dc | V dc | V dc | V dc | mA dc | V dc | W   | sec | ft     |
| Maximum    | 6.8 | +1.0 | 350  | 350  | -700 | 35    | +45  | 12  | --- | 10,000 |
| Minimum    | 5.8 | -500 | ---  | ---  | -15  | ---   | -45  | --- | 120 | ---    |

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Dimensions: See figure 1  
Cathode: Coated unipotential  
Mounting position: Any

TEST CONDITIONS:

| Parameter: | Ef  | Ec1  | Ec2  | Ec3  | Er             |
|------------|-----|------|------|------|----------------|
| Unit:      | V   | V dc | V dc | V dc | V dc           |
|            | 6.3 | 0    | 300  | 300  | Adj for max Po |

See footnotes at end of table I.

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GENERAL:

Qualification: Required.

\* CAUTION: Tube not designed for applications where hysteresis may affect performance.

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TABLE I. Testing and inspection.

| Inspection                              | Method | Notes | Conditions           | Acceptance level | Inspection level or code | Symbol | Limits |       | Unit  |
|-----------------------------------------|--------|-------|----------------------|------------------|--------------------------|--------|--------|-------|-------|
|                                         |        |       |                      |                  |                          |        | Min    | Max   |       |
| <u>Conformance inspection, part 1</u>   |        |       |                      |                  |                          |        |        |       |       |
| Total reflector current                 | 4229   | 3/    | Er = -90 V dc        | ---              | ---                      | Ir     | ---    | 5     | μA dc |
| Heater current                          | 1301   | ---   |                      | ---              | ---                      | If     | 600    | 750   | mA    |
| Heater-cathode leakage                  | 1336   | ---   | Ehk = ± 45 V dc      | ---              | ---                      | Ihk    | 0      | 75    | μA dc |
| Power output (1)                        | ---    | 4/    |                      |                  |                          |        |        |       |       |
| Electrode current (cathode)             | 1256   | ---   |                      | ---              | ---                      | Ik     | 15     | 30    | mA dc |
| Reflector voltage                       | 4213   | ---   |                      | ---              | ---                      | Er     | -30    | -60   | V dc  |
| Total reflector current                 | 4229   | ---   |                      | ---              | ---                      | Ir     | ---    | 150   | μA dc |
| Frequency                               | ---    | ---   |                      | ---              | ---                      | F      | 2,110  | 2,170 | MHz   |
| Power output                            | 4250   | ---   |                      | ---              | ---                      | Po     | 25     | ---   | mW    |
| Cathode emission                        | 4214   | 5/    | Ef = 5.7 V           | ---              | ---                      | ΔIk    | ---    | 15    | %     |
| Power output (2)                        | ---    | 6/    |                      |                  |                          |        |        |       |       |
| Electrode current (cathode)             | 1256   | ---   |                      | ---              | ---                      | Ik     | 15     | 30    | mA dc |
| Reflector voltage                       | 4213   | ---   |                      | ---              | ---                      | Er     | -250   | -330  | V dc  |
| Frequency                               | ---    | ---   |                      | ---              | ---                      | F      | 4,225  | 4,355 | MHz   |
| Power output                            | 4250   | ---   |                      | ---              | ---                      | Po     | 25     | ---   | mW    |
| Cathode emission                        | 4214   | 5/    | Ef = 5.7 V           | ---              | ---                      | ΔIk    | ---    | 15    | %     |
| <u>Conformance inspection, part 2</u>   |        |       |                      |                  |                          |        |        |       |       |
| Secureness of base, base insert, or cap | 1101   | 2/    |                      | 6.5              | S3                       | ---    | ---    | ---   | ---   |
| Low-frequency vibration                 | 1031   | ---   | No voltages          | 6.5              | S3                       | ---    | ---    | ---   | ---   |
| <u>Conformance inspection, part 3</u>   |        |       |                      |                  |                          |        |        |       |       |
| Life-test provisions                    | ---    | 1/    | Group C              | ---              | ---                      | t      | 500    | ---   | hrs   |
| Life-test end points:                   | ---    |       |                      |                  |                          |        |        |       |       |
| Power output (1)                        | 4250   | 4/    |                      | ---              | ---                      | Po     | 20     | ---   | mW    |
| Power output (2)                        | 4250   | 6/    | Ec2 = Ec3 = 300 V dc | ---              | ---                      | Po     | 20     | ---   | mW    |

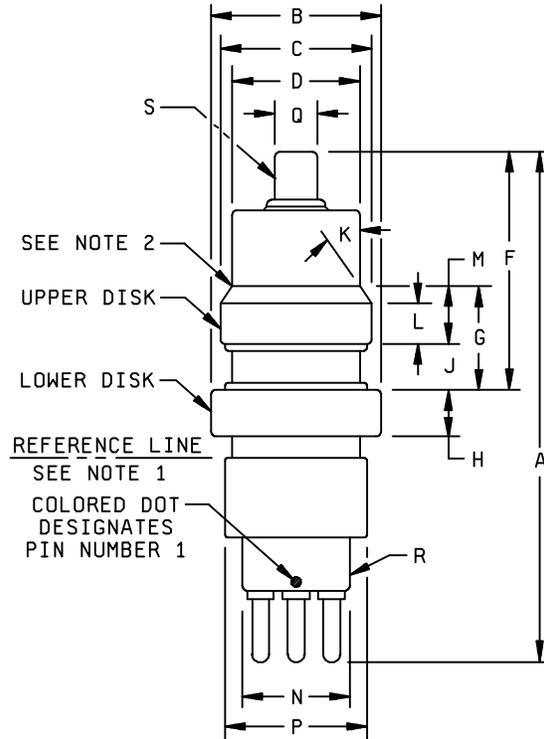
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TABLE I. Testing and inspection - Continued.

- 1/ Test tube with test cavity as specified on Drawing 166-JAN. Frequency approximately 3,000 MHz. Adjust  $E_r$  for maximum  $P_o$  at each life-test reading. Adjust matching network for maximum  $P_o$ .
- 2/ Water-immersion test omitted. Torque shall be applied between upper disk (g3) and molded portion of base and shall be 20 inch-pounds.
- 3/ Static test; tube not oscillating.
- 4/ Test tube with 2,140 MHz test cavity as specified on Drawing 166-JAN. Tube operated in  $N = 2$  mode (2.75 cycles for complete transit). Adjust  $E_r$  for maximum  $P_o$ . Adjust matching network for maximum  $P_o$ .
- 5/ Reduce  $E_f$  to 5.7 V while tube is oscillating. The percentage dropoff in cathode emission shall not exceed limit shown.
- 6/ Test tube with 4,290 MHz test cavity as specified on Drawing 166-JAN. Tube operated in  $N = 2$  mode (2.75 cycles for complete transit). Adjust  $E_r$  for maximum  $P_o$ . Adjust matching network for maximum  $P_o$ .
- 7/ Changes from previous issue. Revision letters are not used in this revision to identify changes with respect to the previous issue, due to the extensiveness of the changes.

| Ltr                            | Dimensions  |       |             |       |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-------|-------------|-------|
|                                | Inches      |       | Millimeters |       |
|                                | Min         | Max   | Min         | Max   |
| Conformance inspection, part 1 |             |       |             |       |
| A                              | 2.969       | 3.219 | 75.41       | 81.76 |
| B                              | .990        | 1.000 | 25.15       | 25.40 |
| C                              | .880        | .890  | 22.35       | 22.61 |
| F                              | 1.375       | 1.500 | 34.93       | 38.10 |
| M                              | .303        | .323  | 7.70        | 8.20  |
| Conformance inspection, part 2 |             |       |             |       |
| G                              | .560        | .610  | 14.22       | 15.49 |
| H                              | .250        | .312  | 6.35        | 7.92  |
| J                              | .257        | .287  | 6.53        | 7.29  |
| Conformance inspection, part 3 |             |       |             |       |
| D                              | ---         | .750  | ---         | 19.05 |
| K                              | 25°         | 35°   | 25°         | 35°   |
| N                              | .610        | .656  | 15.49       | 16.66 |
| P                              | .807        | .822  | 20.50       | 20.88 |
| Q                              | .245        | .255  | 6.22        | 6.48  |
| R                              | Base: A4-76 |       |             |       |
| S                              | Cap: C1-3   |       |             |       |
| Nominal dimensions             |             |       |             |       |
| L                              | .250        |       | 6.35        |       |



| Pin connections |    |
|-----------------|----|
| 1               | g1 |
| 2               | h  |
| 3               | k  |
| 4               | h  |
| Lower disk      | g2 |
| Upper disk      | g3 |
| Cap             | r  |

NOTES:

- For dimensions below reference line refer to base A4-76.
- Space between glass and upper disk edge or backing ring shall be .030 inch (0.76 mm) maximum. Conformance inspection, part 2, shall apply.
- Diameters B and C shall be concentric within .025 inch (0.63 mm) TIR and shall form circular cylinder within a range of .006 inch (0.15 mm). Allowable radius at ends of cylinder shall be .030 inch (0.76 mm) maximum. Conformance inspection, part 2, shall apply.
- Tube shall be tested in concentricity gauge specified on drawing 199-JAN. Gauge readings on diameters shall be as follows:

|          |              |
|----------|--------------|
| Diameter | Eccentricity |
| D        | .050 max     |
| N        | .060 max     |
| P        | .060 max     |
| Q        | .040 max     |
- All concentricity measurements shall be conformance inspection, part 2.
- Pin No. 1 shall be identified by an index mark (colored dot or other.)

FIGURE 1. Outline drawing of electron tube type 6BL6.

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