

MINISTRY OF AVIATION - DLRD/RRE

VALVE ELECTRONIC

Specification MOA/CV6026 Issue 1B dated 5th November, 1962. To be read in conjunction with K1001.			SECURITY Specification Unclassified		Valve Unclassified
→ DENOTES A CHANGE					
TYPE OF VALVE - Pulse hydrogen thyatron, CATHODE - Unipotential, connected to mid point of heater. ENVELOPE - Glass PROTOTYPE - VX3250				MARKING K1001/5 Serial No.	
RATING				TOP CAP See Fig 5 on Page 9.	
Cathode heater voltage (VRMS) - Reservoir heater voltage (VRMS) 5.0 ± 7½% Cathode heater current, Vh = 12V (A) 31 Reservoir heater current, Vr = 5V. (A) 4.15 Max. peak anode voltage, (Va) kV 25 Max. peak anode current, (Ia) (A) 2000 Max. (½Va x Ia x PRF) (MW.c/s) 10,000 Max. mean anode current (A) 3 Max. rate of rise of anode current A/us 7,500 Min. Grid trigger voltage (V) 1000 Max. grid negative bias (V) 110 Max. pulse length at max. peak Current (us) 5 Max. pulse repetition frequency (pps) 1500 Min. heating time for cathode and reservoir heaters before application of anode voltage (Minutes) 10				Notes B, M M H P G B C F, R R P Q E	
DATA				FLYING LEAD CONNECTIONS	
				COLOUR ELECTRODE Black Cathode (HCT) Yellow } Heaters for Yellow } Cathode Red } Heater for Brown } reservoir Blue Baffle White Grid TC Anode. See Note D	
				DIMENSIONS (INCHES) Max overall length) 17 5/16 excluding F/L) Max glass dia) 5½ excluding pip) Max mounting flange) dia) 6 1/32 See Fig 5 Page 9.	
				MOUNTING POSITION With anode uppermost, the axis of the valve shall be within 90° of the vertical	
				COOLING See Note A	
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NOTES

A. The temperature of the anode cooler one inch from the free end, as shown by the temperature indicating point shall not exceed 90°C to ensure that the glass-to-metal seal does not exceed 140°C .

As an indication, when the valve is operating under the conditions specified for the tests on page 4, and when the inlet air temperature is 40°C the air flow required is about 12 cu. ft. per minute. Under these conditions the pressure is about $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches head of water.

B. During the cathode warm up, the cathode heater voltage should be $12\text{V} \pm 7\frac{1}{2}\%$. After application of anode voltage the cathode heater voltage should be adjusted to a value inside the dashed lines in Fig 1 on page 7, corresponding to the mean power supply current. This adjustment should be made not less than 5 minutes and not more than 15 minutes after reaching the required mean power supply current.

C. Defined as the maximum instantaneous rate of rise of current, i.e. di/dt max. and measured with a mutual inductor in the anode lead.

D. No part of the attached anode lead shall be within 1" of the glass envelope.

E. For ambient temperatures in the range $+5^{\circ}\text{C}$ to $+70^{\circ}\text{C}$. For ambient temperatures in the range of 0°C to $+5^{\circ}\text{C}$ the time should be increased to 15 minutes and for ambient temperatures in the range -5°C to 0°C the time should be increased to 20 minutes.

F. Refers to the unloaded trigger pulse measured with respect to cathode potential.

G. This rating applies, providing the inverse voltage during the first microsecond following the pulse does not exceed $K \times V_a$, where K is a constant and has the value 0.18.

H. The anode voltage must be raised gradually. The time taken to reach 18kV must be not less than 30 seconds and to reach 25kV not less than 120 seconds.

M. It is recommended that the cathode heater and reservoir heater be supplied from separate transformers.

N. At the expense of increasing the anode delay time, the unloaded trigger pulse may be reduced to a value within the range 500 - 1000V, as shown in Fig 3 on page 8. The anode delay time drift, and jitter are both unaltered.

P. For Pulse lengths greater than 5 us the peak current rating is reduced in the proportion $5/tp$ where tp is the pulse length in microseconds.

Q. Higher FRFs may be used at suitably reduced anode voltages.

R. The pulse generator must have the following characteristics:-

Unloaded trigger pulse:- 1000 volts, minimum
 Rate of rise of unloaded trigger pulse:- 2 - 4 kV/us.
 Unloaded trigger pulse duration:- 2 - 4 us.
 Source impedance of trigger:- 200 ohms, maximum
 DC resistance:- 500 ohms, maximum.

With the tube operating under equipment condition, the DC bias, measured across the decoupling capacitor C2 shall be $100 \pm 10\text{V}$ negative.

The pulse generator must be connected to the valve through the resistance condenser network shown in Fig 2 on page 7.

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The valve will operate at full voltage with zero bias in circuits where the recovery time requirements are not stringent.

S. In the event of an arc-over in the thyatron for any reason, the grid will remain at cathode potential whilst any substantial anode current is flowing. The grid bias circuit should therefore be designed to withstand the consequent current drain without damage. ←

TESTS

To be performed in addition to those applicable in K1001, and to be carried out after a holding period of 96 hours, see Note 9.

Tests, note 2.	Test conditions, notes 1,3.				Units	Limits		Notes
	T	Vh	VR	Va		Min	Max.	
GROUP A, 100% inspection								
(a) HT run up time.	0	12	5.0	-		-	-	4,7.
	10	12	5.0	Raise to 18	Secs	-	30	
	10+	12	5.0	Raise to 25	Secs	-	120	
(b) Anode delay time (1)	15	12	5.0	25	us	-	0.70	4,5,7.
(c) Run (1).	17	7.5	5.0	25	-	-	-	4,7.
(d) Jitter.	25 - 30	7.5	5.0	25	mus	-	5	4,7.
(e) Run (2).	30	7.5	5.4	25	-	-	-	4,7
(f) Anode delay time(2).	35	7.5	5.4	25	us	Record		4,5,7
(g) Run (3).	36	7.5	4.6	25	-	-	-	4,7
(h) Maximum di/dt.	41	7.5	4.6	25	A/us	6000	-	4,7,8
(j) Anode delay time (3)	42	7.5	4.6	25	us	Record		4,5,7
(k) - - -	43	12	5.0	0	-	-	-	-
(l) Cathode heater current	53	12	5.0	0	A	28	34	-
(m) Reservoir heater current	54	12	5.0	0	A	3.7	4.6	-
(n) Anode delay time drift	-	-	-	-	mus	-	100	10
GROUP B,C,D,E no tests								
GROUP F								
(p) Life (1) information	-	7.5	5	25	hours	500	-	4,6,12
(q) Life (2) information	-	7.5	5	25	hours	500		6,11,12

NOTES

1. The units for the test conditions are, T in minutes, Vh and VR in RMS volts, and Va in peak kilovolts. The commencement of test (a) shall be at time T = 0.
2. The tests a - n shall be performed continuously and in the sequence shown.
3. The cathode heater and reservoir heater voltages should be measured at the tag ends of the appropriate leads.
4. The valve must be tested in the circuit shown in fig.5.
 The pulse generator shall have the following characteristics:-
 Unloaded trigger pulse:- 1000 volts maximum
 Rate of rise of unloaded trigger pulse:- 2 - 4 Kv/us.
 Unloaded trigger pulse duration:- 2us maximum.
 Source impedance: 200 ohms minimum.
 DC resistance: 500 ohms minimum.
 With the tube operating, the DC bias measured across the bias decoupling capacitor C2 shall be $100 \pm 10V$ negative.

The anode circuit constants shall be chosen so that at Va peak = 25 kV, Peak Anode Current = 2,000 Amps Minimum, Mean Power Supply Current = 2.5 Amps Minimum, Pulse Length = 3.1 ± 0.2 usec, Pulse Recurrence Rate = $400 \pm 10\%$. In addition L4 shall be adjusted to give $7,500 \pm 5\%$ amps. per microsecond rate of rise of peak anode current. The adjustment shall be made using a CV6026 valve in which the gas pressure can be varied. The rate of rise of current is measured as a function of gas pressure. Above a certain pressure the rate of rise is determined predominantly by the circuit inductance. L4 should be adjusted to give $7,500 \pm 5\%$ A/usec at this pressure.

The value of L5 shall be such as to give resonant charging.

The circuit constants shall be adjusted so that the inverse voltage is at least $K \times V_a$ for a period of $\frac{1}{2}$ microsecond (min) in the first microsecond following the pulse, where $K = 0.18$.

5. Anode delay time is defined as the time interval between the rising portion of the grid pulse which is not more than 26% of the maximum unloaded pulse amplitude and the point where anode conduction takes place.
6. The valve shall be deemed to have reached the end of life when it fails to meet any of the requirements of tests a to n inclusive. Tests shall be made at intervals not exceeding 250 hours.
7. During HT run up time (test a), tripping is permissible. Subsequently the valve is not allowed to trip more than once. Should one trip occur, the HT must be re-applied at 25 kV within three seconds and the tests continued in sequence.
8. The rate of rise of anode current di_a/dt shall be measured by means of a mutual inductor in the anode lead of the thyatron.
9. All valves shall be stored for at least 96 hours, during which no voltages shall be applied.
10. Anode delay time drift is the greatest difference between the anode delay times measured in tests (b), (f), (j).

NOTES (Contd.)

- 11. The valve must be tested in the circuit shown in fig. 4.
The pulse generator shall have the following characteristics:-
Unloaded trigger pulse:- 1000 volts maximum
Rate of rise of unloaded trigger pulse:- 2 - 4 Kv/ μ s.
Unloaded trigger pulse duration:- 2 μ s maximum.
Source impedance:- 200 ohms minimum.
DC resistance: 500 ohms minimum.

With the tube operating, the DC bias measured across the bias decoupling capacitor C2 shall be 100 \pm 10V negative.

The anode circuit constants shall be chosen so that at V_a peak = 25 kV, Peak Anode Current = 833 Amps Minimum, Mean Power Supply Current = 2.5 Amps Minimum, Pulse Length = 12 ± 0.5 usec, Pulse Recurrence Rate = $250 \pm 10\%$. In addition L4 shall be adjusted to give $7,500 \pm 5\%$ amps. per microsecond rate of rise of peak anode current. The adjustment shall be made using a CV6026 valve in which the gas pressure can be varied. The rate of rise of current is measured as a function of gas pressure. Above a certain pressure the rate of rise is determined predominantly by the circuit inductance. L4 should be adjusted to give $7,500 \pm 5\%$ A/ μ sec at this pressure.

The value of L5 shall be such as to give resonant charging.

The circuit constants shall be adjusted so that the inverse voltage is at least $K \times V_a$ for a period of $\frac{1}{2}$ microsecond (min) in the first microsecond following the pulse, where $K = 0.18$.

- 12. For Qualification Approval, two valves for each life test shall have exceeded 2000 hours.

FIG. 1.
CATHODE HEATER VOLTS AGAINST
MEAN POWER SUPPLY CURRENT (SEE NOTE B)

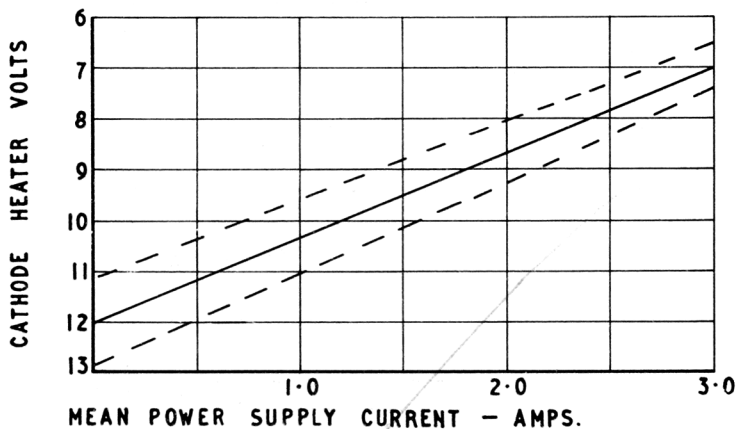
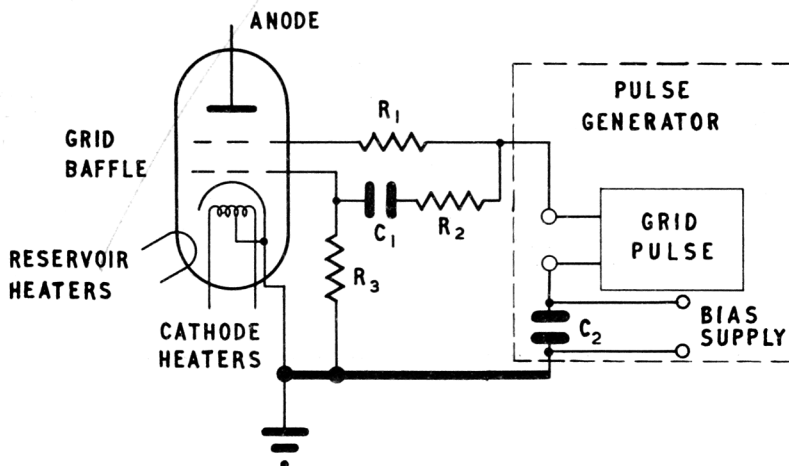


FIG. 2.
TRIGGERING CIRCUIT (SEE NOTE R)



$C_1 = .005 \mu F \pm 10\%$, WORKING VOLTAGE 1000 V.
 $R_1 = R_2 = R_3 = 500 \Omega \pm 10\%$.

FIG. 3.
TYPICAL ANODE DELAY TIME AGAINST UNLOADED
TRIGGER VOLTS.

(200 OHMS SOURCE IMPEDANCE, 0.5 μ sec RISE TIME)

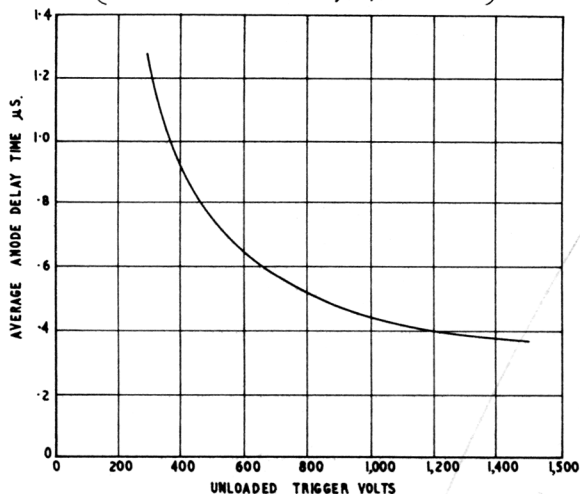


FIG. 4.
OPERATION TEST CIRCUIT (SEE NOTE 4.)

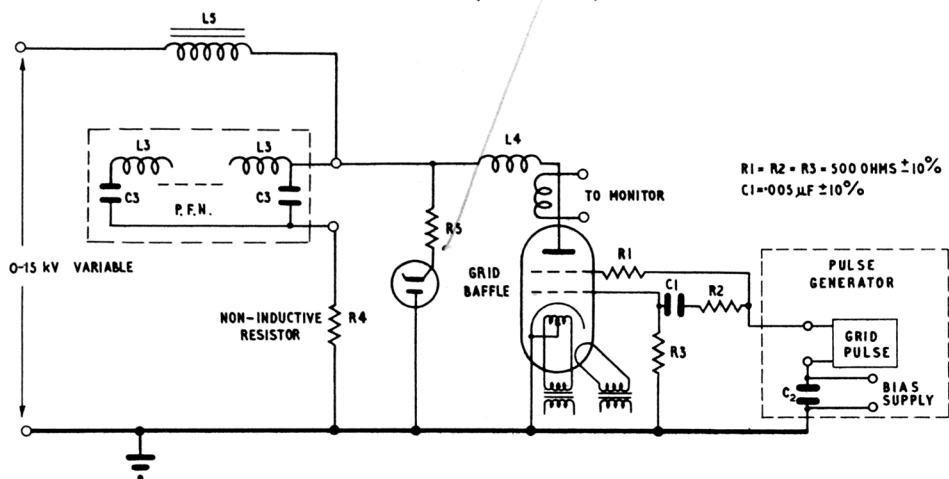
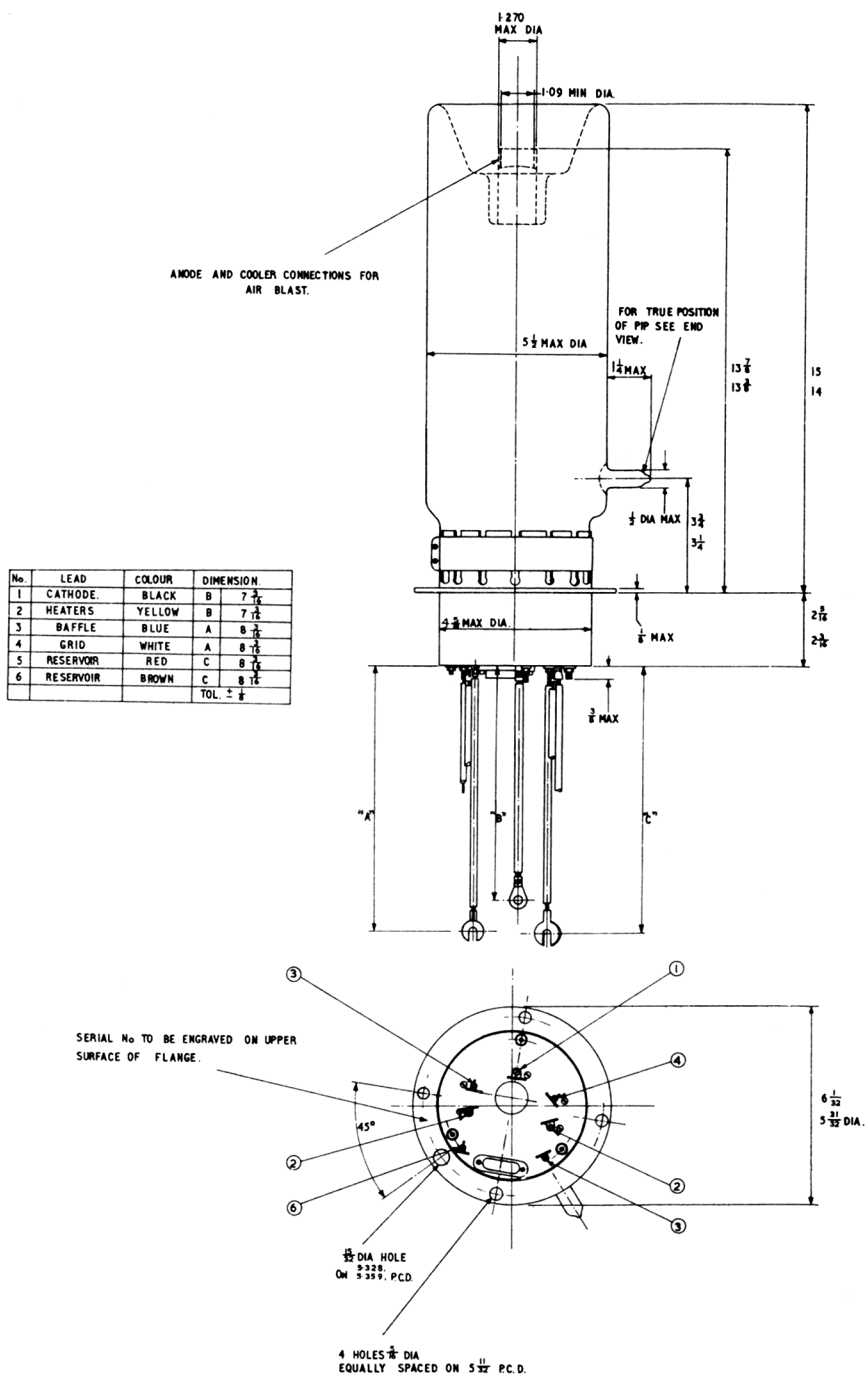


FIG 5.
DIMENSIONAL OUTLINE



THIRD ANGLE PROJECTION.
ALL DIMS. IN INCHES