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ELECTRON TUBE, MAGNETRON

TYPE 2J51A

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 MIL-PRF-1.

DESCRIPTION: Pulsed, mechanically tunable frequency 8,500 to 9,600 MHz, 45 kw peak power output, integral magnet, air cooled.

ABSOLUTE RATINGS:

| Parameter: Unit: | Ef V | tpc μs | Du --- | tk sec | Pi W | ib a | VSWR --- | T(anode) °C | Tuner torque in.-lb. | Alt ft |
|----------------------|------------|------------|---------------|------------|------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|----------------------------|---------------|
| Maximum: Minimum: | 7.0 --- | 3.4 0.1 | 0.0011 --- | --- 120 | 230 --- | 15.5 12.5 | 1.5 --- | 150 -55 | 2.5 --- | 10,000 --- |

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS:

| | | | |
|--------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| Dimensions: | See figure 1. | Marking: | See 1/ and figure 1. |
| Mounting position: | Any. | Magnet isolation: | See 3/ and figure 2. |
| Mounting support: | Mounting flange (see figure 1). | Weight: | 5 pounds (approximate). |
| Output coupling: | See 2/ and figure 1. | | |

TEST CONDITIONS:

| Parameter: Unit: | Ef V | tpc μs | trv μs (max) | Du --- | lb mA dc | VSWR --- (max) | F MHz |
|---------------------|---------|-------------|--------------------|-----------|----------------|-------------------|------------|
| Test condition 1: | 0 | 1.0 ± 0.1 | 0.07 | 0.001 | 14 | 1.10:1 | F1, F3, F5 |
| Test condition 2: | 5.0 | 0.11 ± 0.01 | 0.07 | 0.00033 | 4.7 | 1.10:1 | F1, F3, F5 |
| Test condition 3: | 0 | 3.50 ± 0.1 | 0.12 | 0.0011 | 15.5 | 1.10:1 | F1, F3, F5 |

| Frequency 1/ | | |
|--------------|-------|-----|
| F | MHz | MHz |
| F1 | 8,500 | 10 |
| F2 | 8,600 | 10 |
| F3 | 9,000 | 10 |
| F4 | 9,375 | 13 |
| F5 | 9,600 | 20 |

See footnotes at the end of table I.

GENERAL:

Qualification - Required.

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TABLE I. Testing and inspection.

| Inspection | MIL-STD-1311 Method | Notes | Test | Conditions | Symbol | Limits | | Unit |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|------|---|-----------------------------|--------|--------|---------|
| | | | | | | Min | Max | |
| <u>Qualification inspection</u> | | | | | | | | |
| Barometric pressure, reduced | 4028 | --- | 1 | F5; pressure = 380 mmHg | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Temperature coefficient | 4027 | Fig 1 (17) and fig 2 | 1 | F3; I _b = 10 mA dc; T(anode) = 70°C to 100°C; magnetic field, 4 shunts | $\frac{\Delta F}{\Delta T}$ | --- | 0.25 | MHz/°C |
| Low-temperature operation | 1047 | --- | 3 | F5; I _b = 17.5 mA dc; VSWR = 1.5:1 | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Forced cooling | 1143 | <u>12/</u> | 1 | Pi-Po = 150 W; TA = 50°C (max) | T | --- | TA +50 | °C |
| Pulse voltage | 4306 | Fig 2 | 1 | F3; magnetic field, 4 shunts | epy | 9 | 11 | kv |
| Vibration, mechanical | 1032 | <u>13/ 14/</u> | --- | No voltages applied | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Shock, specified pulse | 1042 | <u>14/</u> | --- | Test condition A, except 15G; no voltages applied | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Operating torque or force | 4223 | --- | --- | TA = -55°C to +125°C | --- | --- | 2.0 | in.-lb. |
| Direct-interelectrode capacitance | 4266 | --- | --- | | C | 4.0 | 8.0 | pF |
| Mechanical tuning fatigue | 4223 | <u>15/</u> | --- | | --- | 2,500 | --- | Cycles |
| Voltage tuning | --- | <u>16/</u> | 1 | | Δepy | 0 | +1.5 | kv |
| Tuning characteristics | --- | <u>11/</u> | 1 | | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| <u>Conformance inspection, part 1</u> | | | | | | | | |
| Pressurizing | 4003 | --- | --- | 40 psia | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Heater current, nonoperating | 4289 | --- | --- | E _f = 6.3 V; t _k = 120 (max) | I _f | 0.90 | 1.10 | A |
| Pulse voltage | 4306 | --- | 3 | F3 | epy | 13 | 15 | kv |
| Power output (1) | 4250 | --- | 3 | | Po | 44 | --- | W |
| Pulse stability (1) | 4315 | <u>5/</u> | 3 | I _b = 17.5 mA dc; VSWR = 1.5:1 | MP | --- | 1.0 | % |

See footnotes at end of table.

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TABLE I. Testing and inspection - Continued.

| Inspection | MIL-STD-1311 Method | Notes | Test | Conditions | Symbol | Limits | | Unit |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------|------|--|--------|------------|----------|---------------|
| | | | | | | Min | Max | |
| <u>Conformance inspection, part 2</u> | | | | | | | | |
| RF bandwidth | 4308 | <u>6/</u> | 3 | VSWR 1.5:1; lb = 13.5 and 17.0 mA dc | BW | --- | 3.5/tpc | MHz |
| | | <u>6/</u> | 1 | VSWR = 1.5:1; lb = 12.5 and 15.5 mA dc | BW | --- | 2.5/tpc | MHz |
| | | <u>6/</u> | 2 | lb = 4.1 and 5.1 mA dc | BW | --- | 2.20/tpc | MHz |
| Minor lobe ratio | 4308 | <u>6/</u> | 1 | lb = 12.5 and 15.5 mA dc | SL | 6 | --- | dB |
| | | <u>6/</u> | 2 | VSWR = 1.5:1; lb = 4.1 and 5.1 mA dc | SL | 8 | --- | dB |
| Power output | 4250 | <u>7/</u> | 1 | F1, F2, F3, F4, and F5 | Po | 40 | --- | W |
| | | --- | 2 | F3 | Po | 13 | --- | W |
| Mechanical tuning range | 4223 | --- | 1 | | F | 8,500 | 9,600 | MHz |
| Operating torque or force | 4223 | --- | --- | TA = 25°C ± 5°C | --- | --- | 10 | in.-oz. |
| Resettability | 4223 | --- | 1 | F4 | ΔF | --- | 10 | MHz |
| Pulse stability (2) | 4315 | <u>5/</u> | 2 | VSWR = 1.5:1; lb = 5.3 mA dc | MP | --- | 1.0 | % |
| Frequency pulling figure | 4310 | <u>8/</u> | 1 | | ΔF | --- | 18 | MHz |
| <u>Conformance inspection, part 3</u> | | | | | | | | |
| Intermittent life | 4551 | <u>9/</u> | --- | Group D; VSWR = 1.5:1 (min); cycled through λg every 30 minutes (approximate) | --- | 250 500 | --- | Cycles hrs |
| Intermittent life-test end points: | --- | | | | | | | |
| Resettability | 4223 | <u>10/</u> | 1 | F4 | ΔF | --- | 15 | MHz |
| Power output (1) | 4250 | <u>10/</u> | 3 | | Po | 36 | --- | W |
| Pulse stability (2) | 4315 | <u>5/ 10/</u> | 2 | VSWR = 1.5:1; lb = 5.3 mA dc | MP | --- | 2 | % |
| Pulse stability (1) | 4315 | <u>5/ 10/</u> | 3 | VSWR = 1.5:1; lb = 17.5 mA dc | MP | --- | 2 | % |
| RF bandwidth | 4308 | <u>6/</u> | 3 | lb = 13.5 and 17.0 mA dc | BW | --- | 4.2/tpc | MHz |

See footnotes at top of next page.

TABLE I. Testing and inspection - Continued.

- 1/ In addition to regular markings, the tuner dial readings for the following frequencies, with the exception of 9,000 MHz shall be stamped on the tube:

| <u>Frequency</u> | <u>Marking</u> |
|------------------|----------------|
| 8,500 ± 10 MHz | F1 |
| 8,600 ± 10 MHz | F2 |
| 9,000 ± 10 MHz | F3 |
| 9,375 ± 13 MHz | F4 |
| 9,600 ± 20 MHz | F5 |

These markings shall apply after thermal equilibrium under the conditions of test condition (3) at an anode temperature of 80°C ± 10°C. These frequency ranges shall be obtained by rotating the tuning dial gear in a continuously clockwise direction.

- 2/ The tube under test (TUT) may be coupled directly to a M85/1-073 waveguide with a M3922/59-007 choke flange. However, for a minimum VSWR at this coupling, it is recommended that a specially designed choke flange be used which mates with the angular M85/1-073 output of the tube to provide a straight section of M85/1-073 waveguide through the coupling network.
- 3/ In handling and mounting the tube, care shall be exercised to prevent demagnetization. Ferromagnetic materials or energized magnets shall not be brought within 2 inches (50.8 mm) of the tube.
- 4/ Unless otherwise specified, the acceptance level for all tests listed under conformance inspection, part 1, shall be 1.0. This specification uses an accept on zero (c = 0) sampling plan in accordance with MIL-PRF-1, TABLE III.
- 5/ The missing pulses (MP) shall be counted during the last 3 minutes of a test interval not to exceed 6 minutes. A missing pulse is defined as one whose energy within a ± 1 percent frequency range of the normal test frequency is 70 percent or less than that of a normal pulse.
- 6/ The rf bandwidth and minor lobes shall be within the limits specified when a VSWR of 1.5:1 is introduced in the load at a distance no greater than one-half meter from the TUT coupling flange, the phase being adjusted to a point to be determined by the tube manufacturer for the worst spectrum.
- 7/ This test shall be conducted at a sufficient number of frequencies to insure that power output is above the minimum value throughout the specified tuning range.
- 8/ The pulling measurement shall be made at the frequency of maximum power output. This frequency to be determined by the tube manufacturer.
- 9/ The life-test cycle shall be as specified below:

| <u>Test condition</u> | <u>Ib</u> | <u>Ef</u> | <u>Duration</u> |
|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|
| Warm up | 0 | 6.3 | 2 minutes |
| 2 | 4.7 | 5.0 | 60 minutes |
| 3 | 15.5 | 0 | 60 minutes |
| Off | 0 | 0 | 58 minutes |

Starting at F1, the frequency will be increased in 100 MHz increments every 10 hours.

- 10/ The TUT shall pass all applicable conformance inspection, parts 1 and 2, tests at the end of the specified life, with the condition that the criteria for acceptance be modified in accordance with the life-test end points, with accept on zero failures (c = 0).
- 11/ With the tuning dial adjusted for a frequency of 9,000 MHz, an operating frequency of 9,600 MHz shall be obtained by rotating the tuning shaft 64 ± 12 turns such that the large dial gear moves counterclockwise. A frequency of 8,500 MHz shall be attained by turning the shaft 47 ± 6 turns in the opposite direction from the 9,000 MHz setting.
- 12/ With an airflow at standard atmospheric pressure of 25 cfm directed at the cooling fins from an orifice of 1.172 inches (29.77 mm) and 1.359 inches (34.53 mm) the rise above ambient specified shall not be exceeded. The anode temperature shall be measured at that point indicated on figure 1. The ambient temperature shall be approximately 50°C. The orifice shall be located .25 inch (6.35 mm) from the cooling fins.

TABLE I. Testing and inspection - Continued.

- 13/ The TUT shall be vibrated at a frequency of 50 to 500 to 50 Hz during a 5-minute interval for each plane. The sinusoidal displacement shall be adjusted to maintain acceleration at 5G.
- 14/ At the conclusion of this test, the TUT shall meet the requirements of method 4250, power output (1) and method 4315, pulse stability (1).
- 15/ A cycle consists of two complete excursions each in opposite directions through the tuning range of the TUT. The tuning shaft shall be continuously driven at a speed of approximately 650 rpm. The TUT shall meet end-of-life requirements at completion of this test.
- 16/ The change in voltage required to maintain constant current shall be measured as the frequency is changed from F1, 8,500 MHz to F5, 9,600 MHz.

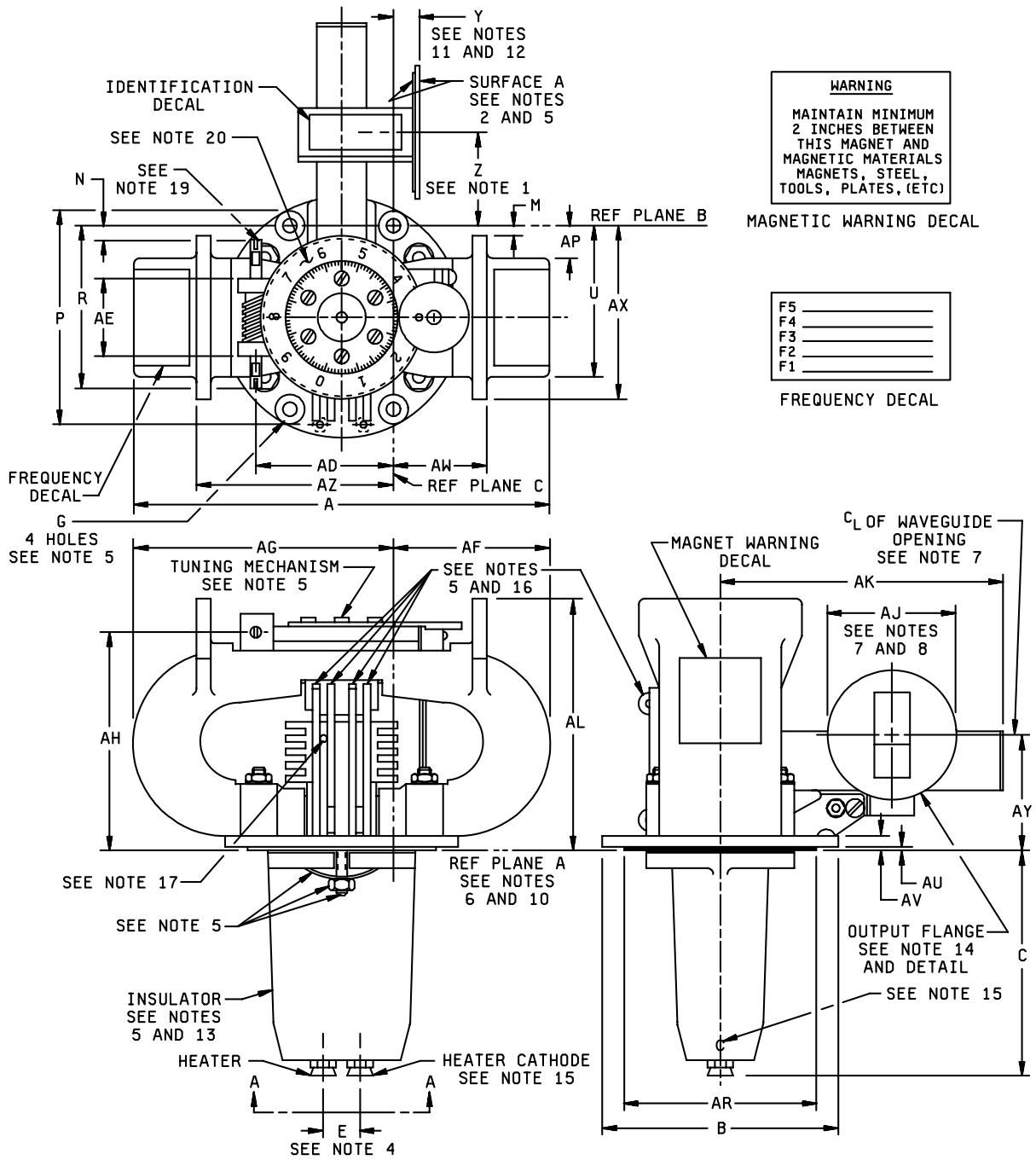


FIGURE 1. Outline drawing of electron tube type 2J51A.

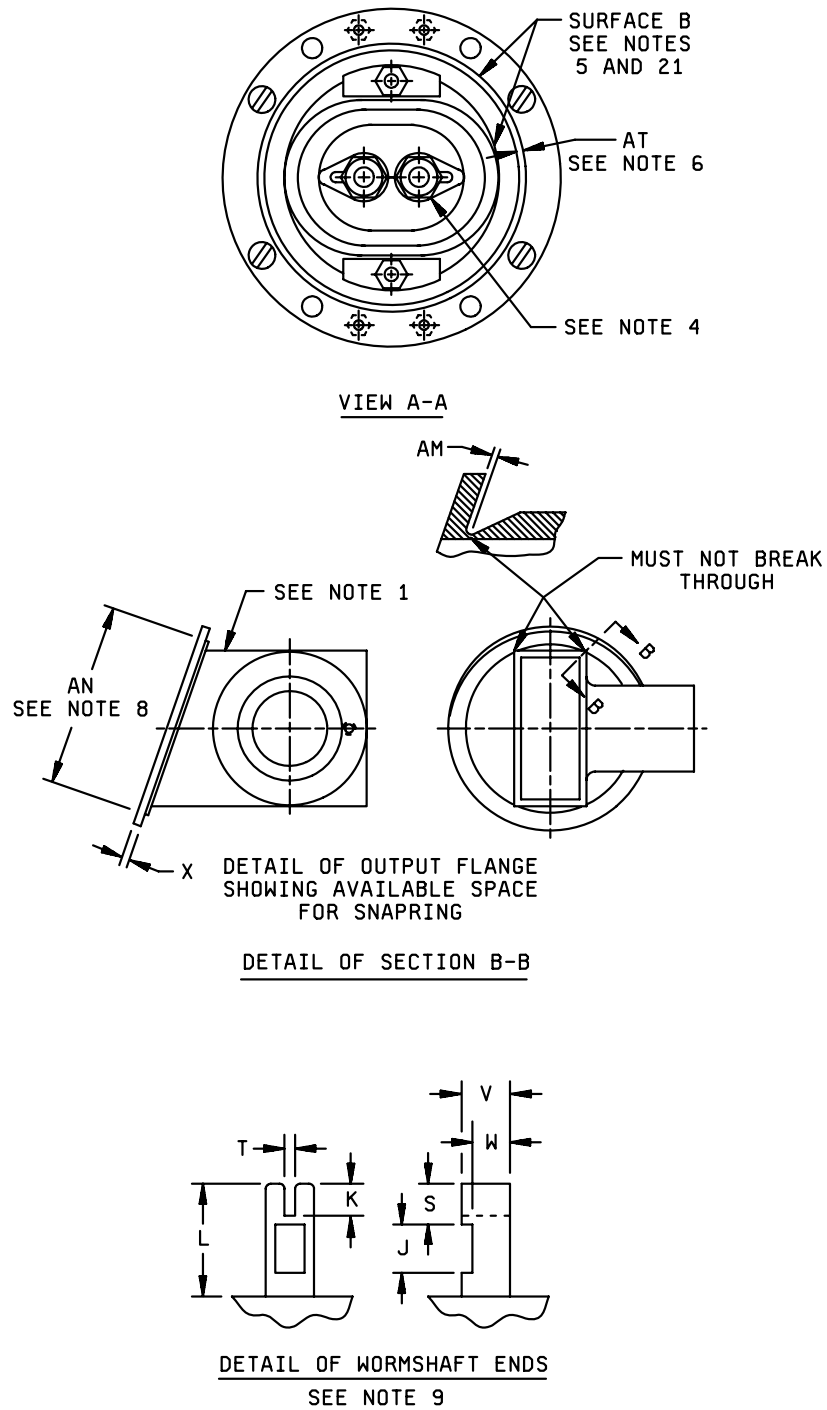


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| Ltr | Dimensions | | | |
|---|------------|-------|-------------|--------|
| | Inches | | Millimeters | |
| | Min | Max | Min | Max |
| Qualification inspection | | | | |
| W | .151 | .161 | 3.84 | 4.09 |
| X | .080 | .090 | 2.03 | 2.29 |
| AU | .023 | .039 | 0.58 | 0.99 |
| AV | .156 | --- | 3.96 | --- |
| Conformance inspection, part 1 (see note 3) | | | | |
| K | .115 | .135 | 2.92 | 3.43 |
| M | .042 | --- | 1.07 | --- |
| N | .230 | .290 | 5.84 | 7.37 |
| R | 2.105 | 2.165 | 53.47 | 54.99 |
| Y | .261 | .301 | 6.63 | 7.65 |
| Z | 1.173 | 1.213 | 29.79 | 30.81 |
| AD | 1.954 | 1.984 | 49.63 | 50.39 |
| AE | .990 | 1.010 | 25.15 | 25.65 |
| AH | 2.834 | 2.874 | 71.98 | 73.00 |
| AJ | 1.743 | 1.757 | 44.27 | 44.63 |
| AM | .021 | .031 | 0.53 | 0.79 |
| AN | 1.438 | 1.446 | 36.53 | 36.73 |
| AX | --- | 2.453 | --- | 62.31 |
| AY | 1.542 | 1.582 | 39.17 | 40.18 |
| Conformance inspection, part 2 | | | | |
| A | --- | 5.938 | --- | 150.83 |
| B | 3.219 | 3.281 | 81.76 | 83.34 |
| C | 2.921 | 3.047 | 74.19 | 77.39 |
| E | .490 | .510 | 12.45 | 12.95 |
| G | .190 | .196 | 4.83 | 4.98 |
| J | .188 | .203 | 4.78 | 5.16 |
| L | .428 | .448 | 10.87 | 11.38 |
| P | 2.869 | 2.881 | 72.87 | 73.18 |
| S | .141 | .156 | 3.58 | 3.96 |
| T | .040 | .045 | 1.02 | 1.14 |
| U | --- | 2.188 | --- | 55.58 |
| V | .187 | .190 | 4.75 | 4.83 |
| AF | --- | 2.250 | --- | 57.15 |
| AG | --- | 3.688 | --- | 93.68 |
| AK | --- | 3.906 | --- | 99.21 |
| AL | --- | 3.281 | --- | 83.34 |
| AP | .308 | --- | 7.82 | --- |
| AR | 2.620 | 2.630 | 66.55 | 66.80 |
| AT | .057 | .067 | 1.45 | 1.70 |
| AW | --- | 1.344 | --- | 34.14 |
| AZ | --- | 2.781 | --- | 70.64 |

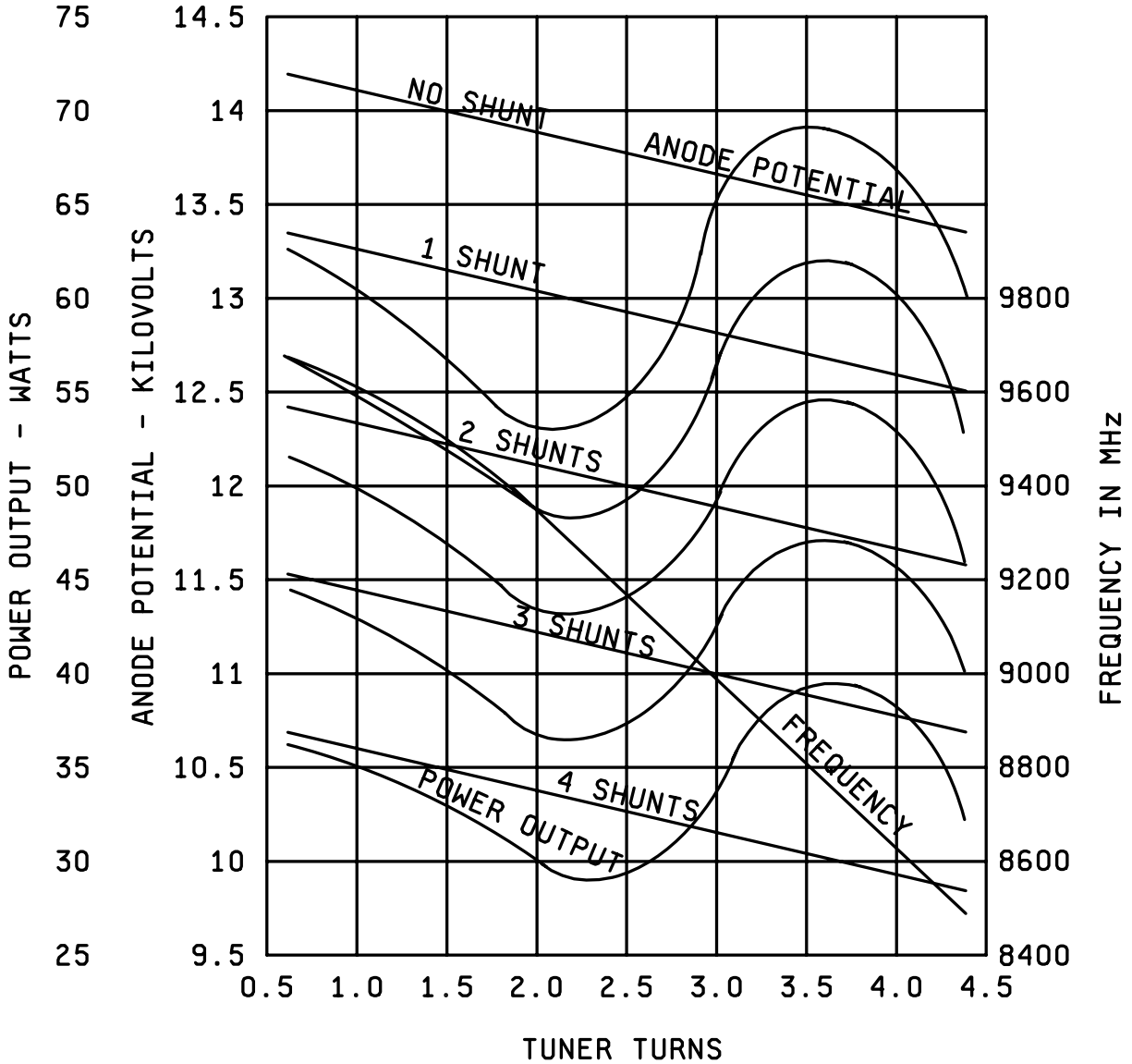
FIGURE 1. Outline drawing of electron tube type 2J51A - Continued.

NOTES:

1. Section of waveguide M85/1-073.
2. Surface A shall provide hermetic seal with waveguide.
3. Unless otherwise specified, the acceptance levels for all tests listed under conformance inspection, part 1, and shall be 1.0. This specification uses an accept on zero ($c = 0$) sampling plan in accordance with MIL-PRF-1, TABLE III.
4. Jacks shall be locking type. Jack holes shall lie within .023 inch (0.58 mm) radius of specified location. Centerlines of holes shall be perpendicular to mounting plate within 3 degrees. Conformance inspection, part 2.
5. All metal surfaces shall be painted with heat-resistant, noncorrosive paint except surfaces A and B, tuning mechanism, parts associated with insulator, magnet shunts, four mounting holes G, and area included within .219 inch (5.56 mm) radius of center of each hole G (qualification inspection). Paint may be omitted from back of output flange.
6. With surface defined by dimension AT and reference plane A resting on a flat surface, a gauge .010 inch (0.25 mm) thick and .125 inch (3.18 mm) wide shall not enter between surfaces at any point. Conformance inspection, part 2.
7. Diameter AJ shall be concentric with waveguide opening within .010 inch (0.25 mm).
8. Diameters AJ and AN shall be concentric within .005 inch (0.13 mm).
9. A sleeve .195 inch (4.95 mm) inside diameter, .406 inch (10.31 mm) outside diameter, and 1.000 inch (25.40 mm) long shall pass over ends of shaft to face of worm bracket. Conformance inspection, part 2.
10. Any part of assembly which extends below surface defined by reference plane A shall lie within 1.109 inch (28.17 mm) radius of true center of mounting plate.
11. Tolerances include angular and lateral deviations.
12. Defines relationship between surface A and mounting holes G.
13. Insulator shall be pyrex glass or equal.
14. Protective cover shall be provided for output flange. Waveguide opening shall be kept covered when tube is not in use.
15. Common heater-cathode connection shall be identified by letter C.
16. Four magnet shunts. Number of shunts required shall be in accordance with applicable technical information. Unused shunts may be removed by gripping tabs with pliers and pulling away from tube.
17. Anode temperature shall be measured at this point.
18. Frequency markings F1, F2, F4, and F5 correspond with settings at 8,500, 8,600, 9,375, and 9,600 MHz, respectively.
19. Frequency is increased by turning this end of wormshaft in counterclockwise direction. Complete frequency range is covered in approximately 125 turns. Tuning mechanism shall operate smoothly over entire mechanical tuning range when subjected to torque of 10 inch-ounces applied to wormshaft. In equipments, not less than 10 inch-ounces nor more than 2.5 inch-pounds shall be applied to the drive shaft. Gear and worm threads shall be free from any obstruction.
20. Number which appears on geneva indicates number of complete revolutions of tuning gear from 0 to 4. With geneva and gear set at 3 and 0, respectively, frequency of tube is $9,000 \pm 25$ MHz under test condition 3.
21. Surface B shall provide hermetic seal with associated mounting surface.

FIGURE 1. Outline drawing of electron tube type 2J51A - Continued.

TUNING CHARACTERISTICS
MATCHED LOAD



NOTES:

1. Tubes to be supplied with four magnetic shunts. Shunts may be removed as needed to establish various operating points.
2. The chart reveals the manner in which frequency, power output, and anode voltage vary with tuner position for five different gauss levels with a pulse repetition rate of 1,000 pps, a current pulse width of 1.0 microsecond, and a peak anode current of 14 amperes.

FIGURE 2. Frequency characteristics.

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Referenced documents. In addition to MIL-PRF-1, this document references the following:
MIL-STD-1311

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