

# ML-7003

**Shielded  
Grid Triode**  
Pulse Power  
to 2.5 Mw

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## DESCRIPTION

The ML-7003 is a shielded-grid triode designed primarily to operate as a switch tube in hard-tube pulse modulators, for radar and similar applications. In this service it can deliver more than two megawatts pulse power output with less than 10 kilowatts driving power.

The ML-7003 has sturdy electrodes arranged to form a cylindrical array of electron-optical systems, featuring a shield electrode connected internally to the cathode by direct, low-

impedance paths. This design permits operation with low grid current, and it results in favorably low grid-plate capacitance. The presence of the ground-potential shield adjacent to the anode, furthermore, protects the cathode and grid from damage by transient arcs.

The cathode is a unipotential, oxide-coated type. The anode is forced-air cooled and is capable of dissipating 3kW with an air flow of 150 cfm.

## GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

### Electrical

Heater Voltage .....	6.0±5%	Volts
Heater Current .....	60	Amps
Heater Starting Current, maximum .....	300	Amps
Cathode Warm-up Time .....	10	Minutes*
Amplification Factor .....	200	
Interelectrode Capacitances:		
Grid Plate .....	2.5	pf
Input (Grid-Cathode) .....	250	pf
Output (Plate Cathode) .....	22	pf
Strapped Resonant Frequency, Grid-Cathode, approximate .....	63.5	Mc

### Mechanical

Mounting Position (support tube by anode radiator only) .....	Any
Type of Cooling .....	Forced-air†
Air flow on anode, minimum for 3kW dissipation .....	150 cfm at 0.2" water
Air flow on grid .....	50 cfm
Maximum incoming air temperature .....	65 °C
Maximum Glass Temperature .....	175 °C†
Net Weight, approximate .....	25 lbs.

\*For accelerated cathode warm-up, the filament may be energized at 7.0 volts for 5 minutes and then reduced to 6.0 volts for high-voltage operation. If a filament stand-by voltage of 5.0 volts is used, the minimum cathode warm-up time is 1 minute at 6.0 volts.

†Sufficient air flow must be provided to maintain glass temperatures at less than 175°C under all conditions of operation.

**MAXIMUM RATINGS  
AND TYPICAL OPERATING CONDITIONS**

**Pulse Modulator or Pulse Amplifier**

Maximum Ratings, Absolute Values

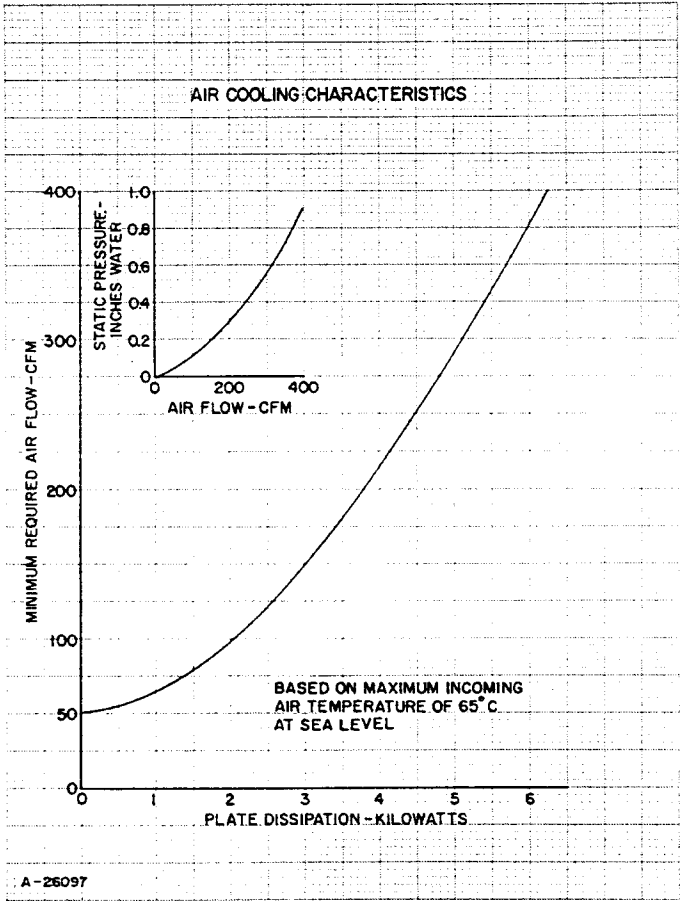
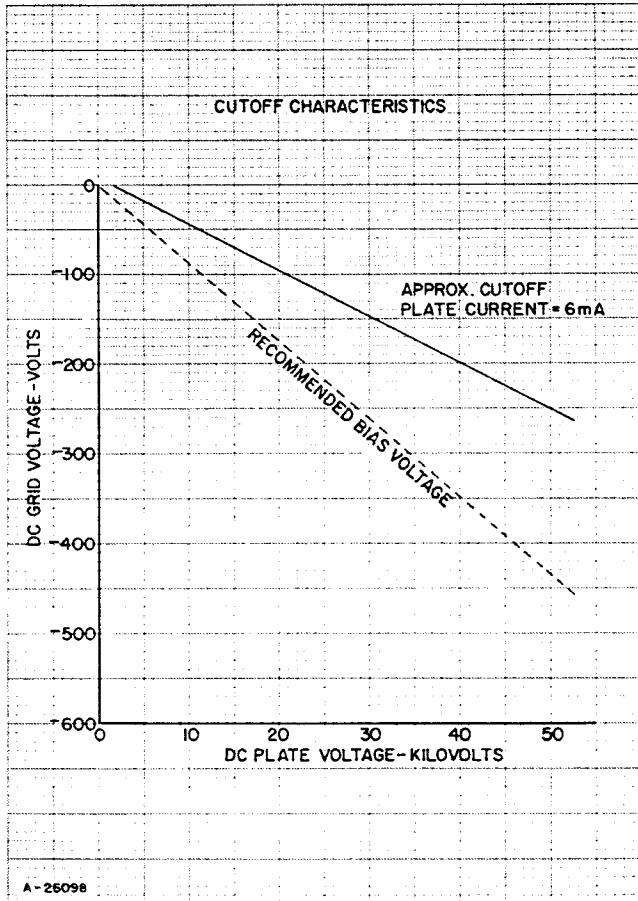
D-C Plate Voltage .....	45	kV
Peak Plate Voltage .....	50	kv
D-C Grid Voltage .....	-600	volts
Peak Positive Grid Voltage .....	+1.5	kv
Peak Negative Grid Voltage .....	-1500	volts
Pulse Cathode Current .....	90	amp
D-C Plate Current .....	250	mA
Grid Dissipation .....	75	watts
Plate Dissipation .....	3.0	kW
Pulse Duration* .....	25	$\mu$ sec
Duty Factor* .....	0.03	

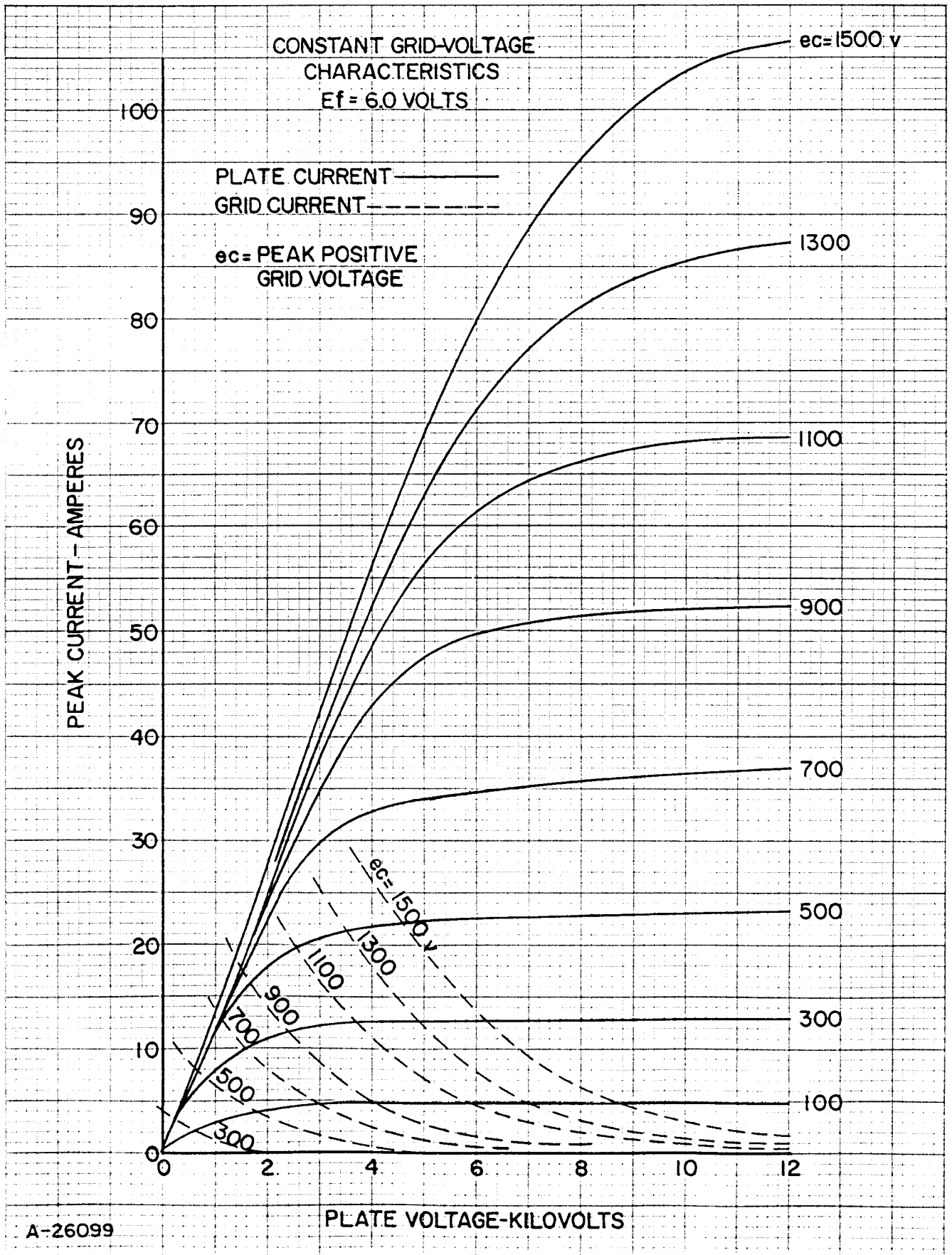
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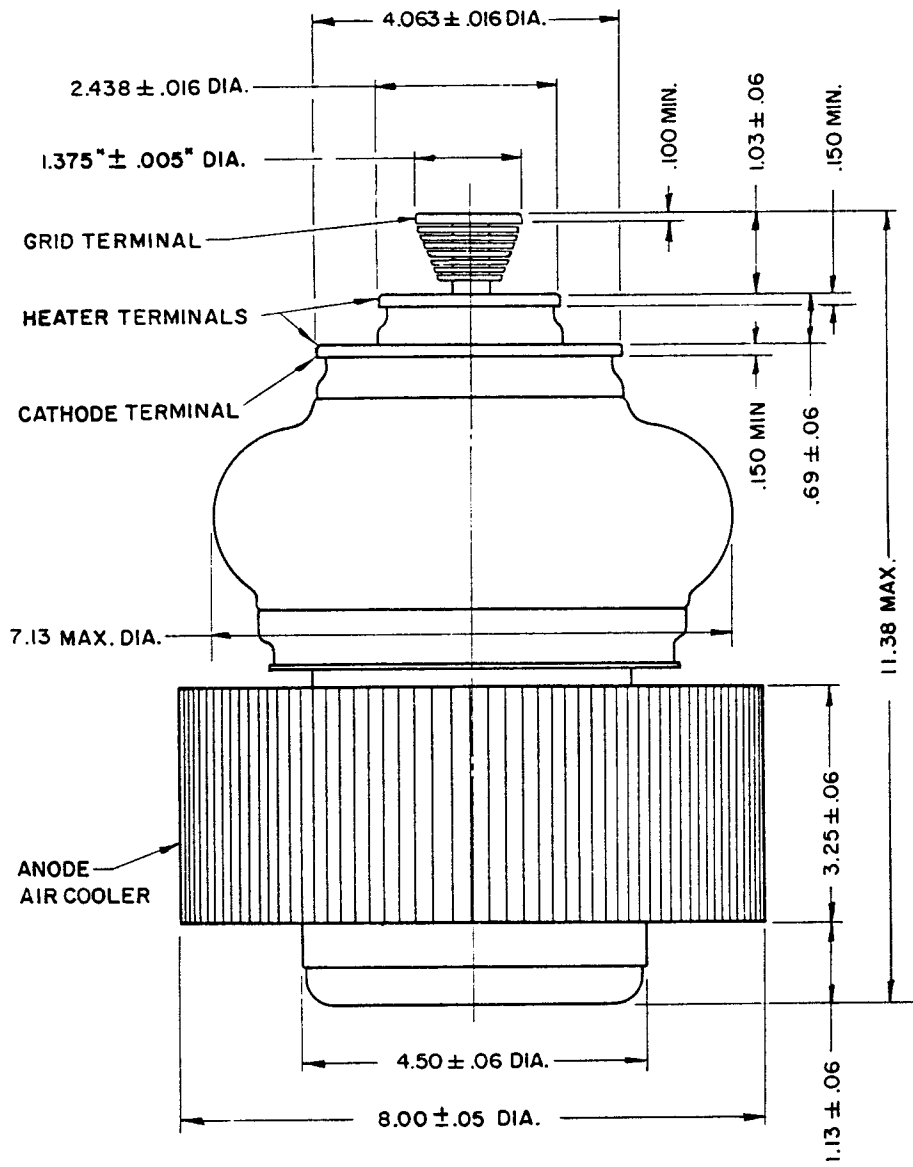
D-C Plate Voltage .....	35	40	kV
D-C Grid Voltage .....	-300	-350	volts
Pulse Positive Grid Voltage .....	+0.8	+1.3	kv
Pulse Plate Current .....	40	80	amp
Pulse Grid Current .....	3	4	amp
Pulse Driving Power .....	3.3	6.6	kw
Pulse Power Output .....	1.2	2.5	Mw
Plate Output Voltage .....	30	32	kv
Duty Factor .....	.006	.003	

\*For applications requiring longer pulse duration or higher duty factors, consult the Machlett Engineering Department.

**WARNING:** Operation of this tube may produce x-rays. Adequate rayproof shielding must therefore be provided in the equipment.







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