



3CX15,000A7 POWER TRIODE



The Penta 3CX15,000A7 is a ceramic / metal power triode intended for use as a zero-bias Class B rf amplifier or Class C power amplifier or oscillator. Class B operation with zero grid bias offers circuit simplicity by eliminating the bias supply. In addition, grounded-grid operation is attractive since a power gain as high as twenty times can be obtained with the 3CX15,000A7.

GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS¹

Electrical

Filament.....	Thoriated Tungsten
Voltage	6.3 ± 0.3 V
Current, at 6.3 volts.....	160 A
Amplification Factor (Average):	200
Direct Interelectrode Capacitance (grounded cathode) ²	
C _{in}	56 pF
C _{out}	0.2 pF
C _{gp}	36 pF
Direct Interelectrode Capacitance (grounded grid) ²	
C _{in}	56 pF
C _{out}	36 pF
C _{pk}	0.2 pF
Frequency of Maximum Rating:	
CW.....	110 MHz

1. Characteristics and operating values are based upon performance tests. These figures may change without notice as the result of additional data or product refinement.

2. Capacitance values are for a cold tube as measured in a special shielded fixture in accordance with Electronic Industries Association Standard RS-191.

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Mechanical

Maximum Overall Dimensions:

Length	8.75 in.	222.3 mm
Diameter.....	7.05 in.	176.1 mm
Net Weight.....	12 lbs.	5.5 kg
Operating Position	Vertical base up or down	
Maximum Operating Temperature:		
Ceramic / Metal Seals	250° C	
Anode Core	250° C	
Cooling	Forced Air	
Base	Coaxial	
Recommended Air System Socket.....	PSK-1300 or SK-1320	
Recommended Air Chimney.....	SK-1306	

Radio Frequency Linear Amplifier Cathode Driven

Class AB

Absolute Maximum Ratings

DC Plate Voltage	8000	Volts
DC Plate Current	6.0	Amperes
Plate Dissipation.....	15,000	Watts
Grid Dissipation	500	Watts

Typical Operation (Frequencies to 110 MHz)

Class AB₂

Plate Voltage	7000	7000	Vdc
Grid Voltage.....	0	0	Vdc
Zero-Signal Plate Current ¹	0.6	0.6	Adc
Single-Tone Plate Current ²	5.92	5.	Adc
Single-Tone Grid Current ¹	1.22	1.0	Adc
Driving Power ¹	1750	1540	W
Plate Dissipation.....	13.4	10.8	kW
Single-Tone Plate Output Power	29.6	24.2	kW
Resonant Load Impedance	693	745	ohms
Drive Impedance	27	32	ohms

1. Approximate values.
2. Adjust to obtain specified values.



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Radio Frequency Power Amplifier or Oscillator

Class C Telegraphy or FM Telephony Grid Driven

Absolute Maximum Ratings

DC Plate Voltage	8000	Volts
DC Grid Voltage.....	-500	Volts
DC Plate Current	5.0	Amperes
Plate Dissipation.....	15,000	Watts
Grid Dissipation	500	Watts

Typical Operation (Frequencies to 110 MHz)

Plate Voltage	7000	Vdc
Grid Voltage.....	-230	Vdc
Plate Current	4.0	Adc
Grid Current ¹	775	mAdc
Peak rf Grid Voltage ¹	555	V
Calculated Driving Power ¹	430	W
Plate Input Power	28	kW
Plate Dissipation.....	6.7	kW
Plate Output Power	21.3	kW
Resonant Load Impedance	963	ohms

1. Approximate value.

Range Values For Equipment Design

	<u>Min.</u>	<u>Max.</u>		
Heater: Current at 6.3 volts	152	168	A	
Cathode Warmup Time.....	5.0	--		sec.
Interelectrode Capacitances (grounded grid) ¹				
Cin	50.0	62.0	pF	
Cout.....	32.0	40.0	pF	
Cpk	--	0.3	pF	
Interelectrode Capacitances (grounded cathode) ¹				
Cin	50.0	62.0	pF	
Cout.....	--	0.3	pF	
Cgp.....	32.0	40.0	pF	

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DIM.	DIMENSIONAL DATA					
	INCHES			MILLIMETERS		
	MIN.	MAX.	REF.	MIN.	MAX.	REF.
A	6.928	7.050	--	175.97	179.07	--
B	0.855	0.895	--	21.72	22.73	--
C	0.720	0.760	--	18.29	19.30	--
D	1.896	1.936	--	48.16	49.17	--
E	3.133	3.173	--	79.58	80.59	--
F	3.792	3.832	--	96.32	98.86	--
H	0.188	--	--	4.78	--	--
J	0.188	--	--	4.78	--	--
M	3.950	4.300	--	100.33	109.22	--
N	2.412	2.788	--	61.26	70.82	--
P	8.250	8.750	--	209.55	222.25	--
R	0.986	1.050	--	25.04	26.67	--
S	3.412	3.788	--	86.66	96.22	--
T	0.375	--	--	9.53	--	--



