

## GL-8513 TETRODE

**VHF-UHF  
RING-SEAL CONSTRUCTION**

**GROUND-GRID CIRCUIT**

**FORCED-AIR COOLED  
METAL AND CERAMIC**

The GL-8513 is a four-electrode transmitting tube featuring a metal-and-ceramic envelope for use as a power amplifier or oscillator in grounded-grid circuits with both grids maintained at radio-frequency ground potential. The output circuit is connected between the anode and the screen grid. The anode is capable of dissipating 4 kilowatts. Cooling is accomplished by forced air with the radiator an integral part of the anode. The cathode is a unipotential thoriated-tungsten cylinder, heated by electron bombardment. Maximum ratings apply up to 800 megacycles, although higher frequency operation is possible.

As a Class B linear power amplifier the tube will deliver 1500 watts at carrier level.

In narrow band, Class C, grounded-grid, amplitude-modulated service, the GL-8513 has a useful carrier-power output in excess of one kilowatt. In Class C Telegraphy, it has a useful power output of 3 kilowatts of continuous power as an amplifier or oscillator.

	Electrical				Thermal		
	Mini- mum	Begey	Maxi- mum				
Cathode					Type of Cooling—Forced Air		
Heater Voltage	—	6.7	7.0	Volts	Air Flow Through Radiator, at Sea Level		
Heater Current at 7.0 Volts					Plate Dissipation	Air Flow	Static Pressure
Without Cathode Bombarding	—	14.5	—	Amperes	4.0 Kw	135 CFM	2.8 In.
With 150 Watts Cathode Bombarding	—	13.5	—	Amperes	Seals		
Heater Starting Current	—	—	25	Amperes	Screen-grid to Control-grid,		
Heater Cold Resistance	—	0.041	—	Ohms	minimum	15	Cubic Feet per Minute
Cathode Bombarding Power*	—	170	195	Watts	Heater-to-cathode, minimum	7.5	Cubic Feet per Minute
Cathode Bombarding Voltage, DC					Anode Ceramic, minimum	10	Cubic Feet per Minute
For 170 Watts Bombarding					Incoming Air Temperature,		
Power	—	650	—	Volts	maximum	55	C
For 195 Watts Bombarding					Anode Hub Temperature, maximum	250	C
Power	—	700	—	Volts	Temperature of Anode Ceramic and		
Cathode Heating Time	1	—	—	Minute	Seals, maximum	250	C
Amplification Factor, G <sub>2</sub> to G <sub>1</sub> ;					Temperature at Any Other Point,		
E <sub>b</sub> = 4000 volts; I <sub>b</sub> = 0.5 ampere	—	20	—		maximum	200	C
Peak Cathode Current†	—	—	6	Amperes	Forced-air cooling to be applied before and during the applica- tion of any voltages. Air flow on heater-to-cathode seals must be maintained for one minute after removal of heater voltage. The radiator air ducting can be constructed so that air is forced along the anode seal and ceramic through the anode contact fingers and additional holes in the plate contact ring to ac- complish the anode ceramic and anode seal cooling. The volume of cooling air indicated for the various seals is approximate only. Distribution of cooling air will vary with configuration of the cavity about the tube.		
Direct Interelectrode Capacitances							
Cathode to Plate§	—	0.01	—	μμf			
Input, G <sub>2</sub> tied to G <sub>1</sub>	—	27.8	—	μμf			
Output, G <sub>2</sub> tied to G <sub>1</sub> ¶	—	6.7	—	μμf			
	<b>Mechanical</b>						
Mounting Position—Vertical, Anode-end Up							
Net Weight, approximate			12.5	Pounds			

### RADIO-FREQUENCY POWER AMPLIFIER—CLASS B

*Carrier Conditions per Tube for Use with a Maximum Modulation Factor of 1.0*

**Maximum Ratings, Absolute Values**

DC Plate Voltage	9000	Volts
DC Grid-No. 2 Voltage	800	Volts
DC Plate Current	0.800	Ampere
Plate Input	6.0	Kilowatts
Grid-No. 2 Input	25	Watts
Plate Dissipation	4.0	Kilowatts

DC Grid-No. 1 Voltage, approximate	—50	Volts
DC Plate Current	0.600	Ampere
DC Grid-No. 2 Current	0.010	Ampere
DC Grid-No. 1 Current	0.060	Ampere
Driving Power, approximate	160	Watts
Measured at crest of audio-frequency cycle with modulation factor of 1.0		
Power Output#	1500	Watts
Circuit Efficiency	90	Percent
Plate Dissipation	2500	Watts
Cathode Bombarding Power*	170	Watts
Cathode Bombarding Voltage	650	Volts
Cathode Bombarding Current	0.260	Ampere

**Typical Operation**

Grounded-grid Circuit, 225-400 Megacycles		
DC Plate Voltage	8000	Volts
DC Grid-No. 2 Voltage	750	Volts



**PLATE MODULATED RADIO-FREQUENCY AMPLIFIER—CLASS C TELEPHONY**

*Carrier Conditions with a Maximum Modulation Factor of 1.0, Screen Modulation Required*

**Maximum Ratings, Absolute Values**

DC Plate Voltage.....	4500	Volts
DC Grid-No. 2 Voltage.....	500	Volts
DC Grid-No. 1 Voltage.....	-120	Volts
DC Plate Current.....	0.80	Ampere
DC Grid-No. 1 Current.....	0.120	Ampere
Plate Input.....	3.60	Kilowatts
Grid-No. 2 Input.....	25	Watts
Plate Dissipation.....	4.0	Kilowatts

DC Grid-No. 2 Voltage.....	400	Volts
DC Grid-No. 1 Voltage.....	-100	Volts
Peak RF Plate Voltage.....	2500	Volts
Peak RF Driving Voltage.....	120	Volts
DC Plate Current.....	0.570	Ampere
DC Grid-No. 2 Current.....	0.020	Ampere
DC Grid-No. 1 Current, approximate.....	0.100	Ampere
Driving Power, approximate.....	100	Watts
Power Output#.....	1250	Watts
Output Circuit Efficiency.....	90	Percent
Cathode Bombarding Power*.....	165	Watts
Cathode Bombarding Voltage, approximate.....	630	Volts
Cathode Bombarding Current, approximate.....	0.260	Ampere

**Typical Operation**

Grounded-grid Circuit at 400 Megacycles		
DC Plate Voltage.....	4000	Volts

**RADIO-FREQUENCY AMPLIFIER AND OSCILLATOR—CLASS C TELEGRAPHY**

*Key Down Conditions per Tube Without Amplitude Modulation*

**Maximum Ratings, Absolute Values**

DC Plate Voltage.....	7000	Volts
DC Grid-No. 2 Voltage.....	750	Volts
DC Plate Current.....	1.0	Ampere
Plate Input.....	6.0	Kilowatts
Grid-No. 2 Input.....	40	Watts
Plate Dissipation.....	4.0	Kilowatts
DC Grid-No. 1 Voltage.....	120	Volts
DC Grid-No. 1 Current.....	0.150	Ampere

Power Output, approximate#.....	1800	3200	Watts
Output Circuit Efficiency.....	90	90	Percent
Cathode Bombarding Power*.....	160	165	Watts
Cathode Bombarding Voltage, approximate.....	610	630	Volts
Cathode Bombarding Current, approximate.....	0.260	0.260	Ampere

**Typical Operation**

Grounded-grid Circuit at 400 Megacycles		
DC Plate Voltage.....	4500	6500 Volts
DC Grid-No. 2 Voltage.....	600	700 Volts
DC Grid-No. 1 Voltage.....	-120	-100 Volts
Peak RF Plate Voltage, approximate.....	3000	— Volts
Peak RF Grid-No. 1 Voltage.....	140	140 Volts
DC Plate Current.....	0.6	0.8 Ampere
DC Grid-No. 2 Current.....	0.018	0.025 Ampere
DC Grid-No. 1 Current.....	0.080	0.100 Ampere
Driving Power, approximate.....	100	100 Watts

**Grounded-grid Circuit at 800 Megacycles**

DC Plate Voltage.....	4500	Volts
DC Grid-No. 2 Voltage.....	600	Volts
DC Grid-No. 1 Voltage.....	-120	Volts
Peak RF Plate Voltage, approximate.....	3000	Volts
Peak RF Grid-No. 1 Voltage.....	140	Volts
DC Plate Current.....	0.6	Ampere
DC Grid-No. 2 Current.....	0.018	Ampere
DC Grid-No. 1 Current.....	0.080	Ampere
Driving Power, approximate.....	90	Watts
Power Output, approximate#.....	1250	Watts
Output Circuit Efficiency.....	83	Percent
Cathode Bombarding Power*.....	150	Watts
Cathode Bombarding Voltage, approximate.....	600	Volts
Cathode Bombarding Current, approximate.....	0.250	Ampere

\* The cathode of the GL-8513, because of transit-time effects which raise the temperature of the cathode, is subjected to considerable back bombardment in ultra-high-frequency service. The amount of heating due to bombardment is a function of the operating conditions and frequency, and must be compensated for by a reduction of the cathode power input to prevent overheating of the cathode with resulting short life. In any case it is important from a tube life standpoint to keep the cathode power at as low a level as possible consistent with required performance. Bombarding power should be monitored by a suitable wattmeter or DC voltmeter and milliammeter arrangement. For long life, the tube should be put in operation with about 180 watts bombarding power. After the circuit has been adjusted for proper tube operation, bombarding voltage should be reduced to a value slightly above that at which circuit performance is affected. Minor circuit readjustment may be necessary after the above adjustment. The procedure for determining proper bombarding power should be repeated periodically.

† Represents maximum usable cathode current (plate current plus current to each grid) for any condition of operation.

§ Measured with complete isolation between cathode and plate.

¶ Output capacitance measured between anode and screen grid. Control grid connected directly to screen grid.

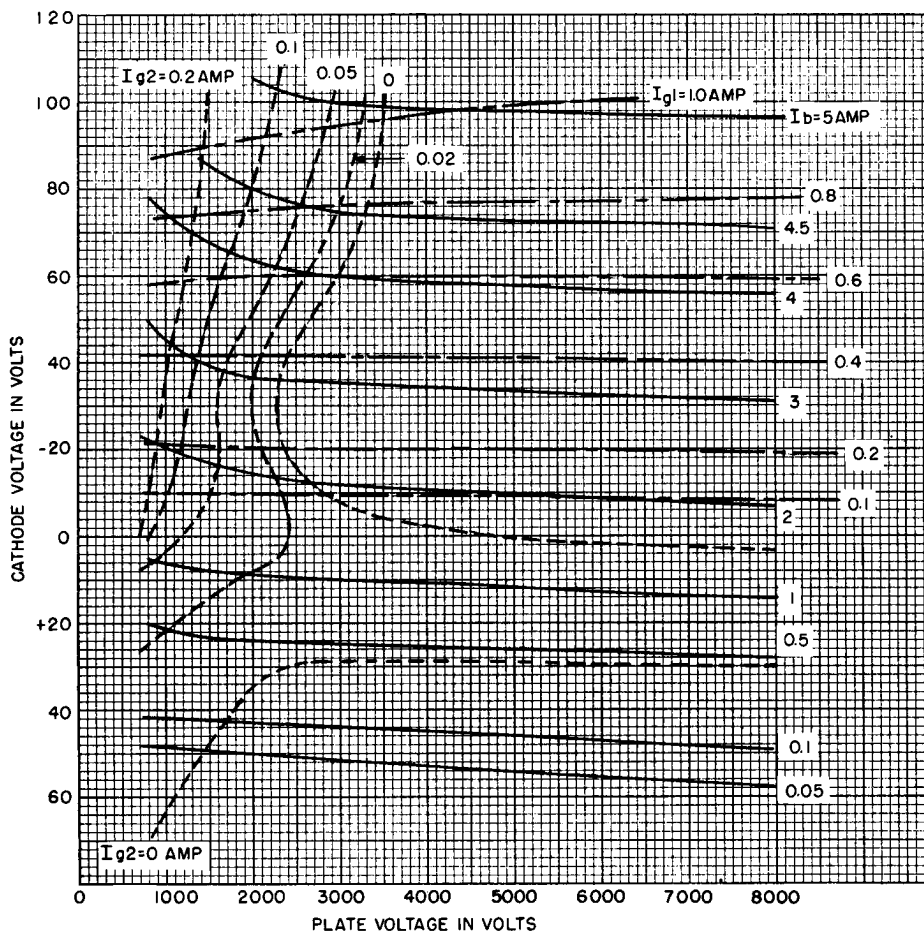
# Useful power output including power transferred from driver stage.

TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

$E_{g2} = 750$  Volts,  $E_f = 7$  Volts AC

Bombarding Power = 180 Watts

All Voltages Referenced to Grid



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