

Nixie Tube Power Supply Test Report

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1 Methodology

Each sold device has been tested individually before shipping using an automated process. The test setup is shown in figure 1.

The test results are written to a file and included inside the package for each sold device.

In case of failure the module is not to be sold and may be repaired prior to re-testing and sale.

Each module has to pass the tests specified below.

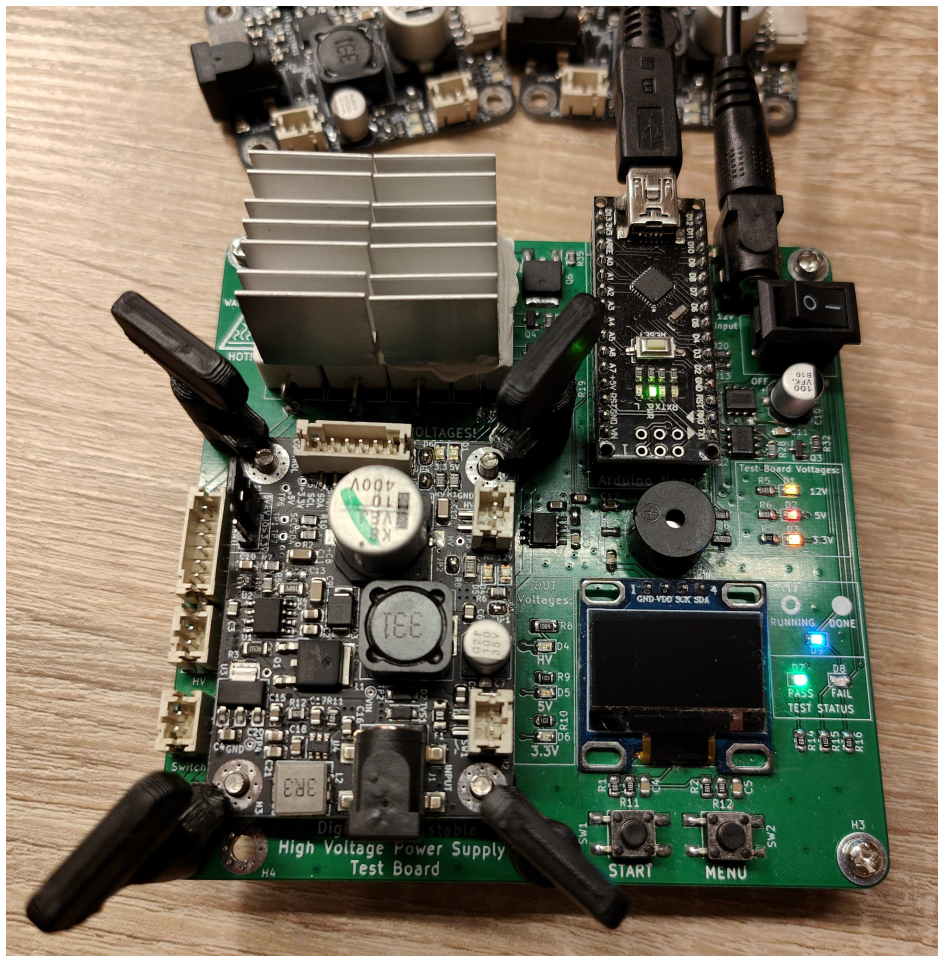


Figure 1: Automated test setup using test jig.

During the test the voltages of the different supply rails are measured. Since a fixed resistor is used as a load per rail, no current measurement is necessary.

Test procedure:

1. Verify that the 3.3 V and 5 V rail are within spec under no load.
2. Verify that the high voltage is within spec under no load.
3. Verify that the 5 V rail is within spec under 1.5 A load.
4. Verify that the 3.3 V and 5 V rail are within spec under 0.44 A / 1.5 A load (both rails are loaded simultaneously).
5. Verify that the high voltage rail is within spec under 12 mA load.
6. Verify that the 3.3 V, 5 V and high voltage rail are within spec under 0.44 A / 1.5 A / 10 mA load (all rails are loaded simultaneously).

Allowed deviation of measured values during test from calculated ideal values:

- 3.3 V: +/- 6%
- 5 V: +/- 6%
- High voltage: +/- 10%

Please note that the output voltage of the high voltage boost converter can be calibrated since it is adjustable. The test script is not able to do so and thus a relatively large margin of +/- 10% was set.

Thus, the margin of +/- 10% does not accurately reflect real-world accuracy which can be better with proper calibration.

-- Nixie HV PSU Module Tester --
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Starting tests...

TEST STEP: 1
MEASUREMENTS:
5V: 5.05
3.3V: 3.39
PASS: 5V output voltage within spec.
PASS: 3.3V output voltage within spec.
STEP 1 DONE WITH NO ERRORS

TEST STEP: 2
Starting tests for HV.
Verifying high voltage is actually present.
Verifying high voltage output accuracy.
SET VALUE: 82.58
MEAS VALUE: 81.83
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!
SET VALUE: 87.21
MEAS VALUE: 85.97
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!
SET VALUE: 92.41
MEAS VALUE: 91.71
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!
SET VALUE: 98.27
MEAS VALUE: 98.15
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!
SET VALUE: 104.95
MEAS VALUE: 104.58
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!
SET VALUE: 112.61
MEAS VALUE: 112.63
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!
SET VALUE: 121.50
MEAS VALUE: 122.05
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!
SET VALUE: 131.93
MEAS VALUE: 132.86
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!
SET VALUE: 144.36
MEAS VALUE: 145.73
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!
SET VALUE: 159.39
MEAS VALUE: 162.11
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!

SET VALUE: 177.97
MEAS VALUE: 171.01
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!

STEP 2 DONE WITH NO ERRORS

TEST STEP: 3
MEASUREMENTS before Load on:
5V: 5.27
Starting periodic measurements. Reporting current value every 5 seconds.
SV MEASUREMENTS after: 5s: 5.07V
SV MEASUREMENTS after: 10s: 5.06V
SV MEASUREMENTS after: 15s: 5.06V
SV MEASUREMENTS after: 20s: 5.08V
SV MEASUREMENTS after: 25s: 5.08V
SV MEASUREMENTS after: 30s: 5.07V
SV MEASUREMENTS after: 35s: 5.07V
SV MEASUREMENTS after: 40s: 5.06V
SV MEASUREMENTS after: 45s: 5.06V
SV MEASUREMENTS after: 50s: 5.07V
SV MEASUREMENTS after: 55s: 5.07V
SV MEASUREMENTS after: 60s: 5.07V
PASS: 5V output voltage within spec.
STEP 3 DONE WITH NO ERRORS

TEST STEP: 4
MEASUREMENTS:
5V: 5.28
3.3V: 3.38
Starting periodic measurements. Reporting measured value every 5 seconds.
3.3V MEASUREMENTS after: 5s: 3.38V
SV MEASUREMENT: 5.04V
PASS: 5V output voltage within spec.
PASS: 3.3V output voltage within spec.
3.3V MEASUREMENTS after: 10s: 3.38V
SV MEASUREMENT: 5.04V
PASS: 5V output voltage within spec.
PASS: 3.3V MEASUREMENTS after: 15s: 3.38V
SV MEASUREMENT: 5.04V
PASS: 5V output voltage within spec.
PASS: 3.3V MEASUREMENTS after: 20s: 3.38V
SV MEASUREMENT: 5.04V
PASS: 5V output voltage within spec.
PASS: 3.3V MEASUREMENTS after: 25s: 3.38V
SV MEASUREMENT: 5.04V
PASS: 5V output voltage within spec.
PASS: 3.3V MEASUREMENTS after: 30s: 3.38V
SV MEASUREMENT: 5.03V
PASS: 5V output voltage within spec.
PASS: 3.3V MEASUREMENTS after: 35s: 3.38V
SV MEASUREMENT: 5.04V
PASS: 5V output voltage within spec.
PASS: 3.3V MEASUREMENTS after: 40s: 3.38V
SV MEASUREMENT: 5.04V

PASS: 5V output voltage within spec.
PASS: 3.3V output voltage within spec.
3.3V MEASUREMENTS after: 45s: 3.39V
SV MEASUREMENT: 5.04V
PASS: 5V output voltage within spec.
PASS: 3.3V output voltage within spec.
3.3V MEASUREMENTS after: 50s: 3.38V
SV MEASUREMENT: 5.04V
PASS: 5V output voltage within spec.
PASS: 3.3V output voltage within spec.
3.3V MEASUREMENTS after: 55s: 3.38V
SV MEASUREMENT: 5.04V
PASS: 5V output voltage within spec.
PASS: 3.3V output voltage within spec.
3.3V and 5V output voltage within spec.
STEP 4 DONE WITH NO ERRORS

TEST STEP: 5
Starting tests for HV.
Verifying high voltage is actually present.
Verifying high voltage output accuracy under load.
SET VALUE: 82.58
MEAS VALUE: 81.97
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!
SET VALUE: 87.21
MEAS VALUE: 86.66
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!
SET VALUE: 92.41
MEAS VALUE: 91.84
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!
SET VALUE: 98.27
MEAS VALUE: 98.15
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!
SET VALUE: 104.95
MEAS VALUE: 104.58
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!
SET VALUE: 112.61
MEAS VALUE: 112.86
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!
SET VALUE: 121.50
MEAS VALUE: 122.28
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!
SET VALUE: 131.93
MEAS VALUE: 132.40
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!
SET VALUE: 144.36
MEAS VALUE: 145.96
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!

STEP 5 DONE WITH NO ERRORS

TEST STEP: 6
MEASUREMENTS:
5V: 5.28
3.3V: 3.39
Verifying high voltage is actually present.
Starting periodic measurements. Reporting measured value every 5 seconds.
3.3V MEASUREMENTS after: 5s: 3.39V
SV MEASUREMENT: 5.04V
PASS: 5V output voltage within spec.
PASS: 3.3V output voltage within spec.
128.62
SET VALUE: 129.41
MEAS VALUE: 129.64
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!
3.3V MEASUREMENTS after: 10s: 3.39V
SV MEASUREMENT: 5.05V
PASS: 5V output voltage within spec.
PASS: 3.3V output voltage within spec.
128.62
SET VALUE: 129.41
MEAS VALUE: 129.41
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!
3.3V MEASUREMENTS after: 15s: 3.39V
SV MEASUREMENT: 5.04V
PASS: 5V output voltage within spec.
PASS: 3.3V output voltage within spec.
128.62
SET VALUE: 129.64
MEAS VALUE: 129.64
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!
3.3V MEASUREMENTS after: 20s: 3.39V
SV MEASUREMENT: 5.04V
PASS: 5V output voltage within spec.
PASS: 3.3V output voltage within spec.
128.62
SET VALUE: 129.87
MEAS VALUE: 129.87
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!
3.3V MEASUREMENTS after: 25s: 3.39V
SV MEASUREMENT: 5.04V
PASS: 5V output voltage within spec.
PASS: 3.3V output voltage within spec.
128.62
SET VALUE: 129.64
MEAS VALUE: 129.64
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!
3.3V MEASUREMENTS after: 30s: 3.39V
SV MEASUREMENT: 5.05V
PASS: 5V output voltage within spec.
PASS: 3.3V output voltage within spec.
128.62
SET VALUE: 130.10
MEAS VALUE: 130.10
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!
3.3V MEASUREMENTS after: 35s: 3.39V
SV MEASUREMENT: 5.04V
PASS: 5V output voltage within spec.
PASS: 3.3V output voltage within spec.
128.62
SET VALUE: 129.87
MEAS VALUE: 129.87
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!
3.3V MEASUREMENTS after: 40s: 3.39V
SV MEASUREMENT: 5.04V
PASS: 5V output voltage within spec.

PASS: 3.3V output voltage within spec.
SET VALUE: 128.62
MEAS VALUE: 129.41
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!
3.3V MEASUREMENTS after: 45s: 3.39V
SV MEASUREMENT: 5.05V
PASS: 5V output voltage within spec.
PASS: 3.3V output voltage within spec.
128.62
SET VALUE: 129.64
MEAS VALUE: 129.64
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!

3.3V MEASUREMENTS after: 50s: 3.39V
SV MEASUREMENT: 5.05V
PASS: 5V output voltage within spec.
PASS: 3.3V output voltage within spec.
128.62
SET VALUE: 129.41
MEAS VALUE: 129.41
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!
3.3V MEASUREMENTS after: 55s: 3.39V
SV MEASUREMENT: 5.03V
PASS: 5V output voltage within spec.
PASS: 3.3V output voltage within spec.
128.62
SET VALUE: 129.41
MEAS VALUE: 129.41
PASS: HV output accuracy OK for this step!
spec: 3.3V, 5V and HV output voltage within
STEP 6 DONE WITH NO ERRORS

ALL PASSED!