

# 12AU7A

## Medium-Mu Twin Triode

### 9-PIN MINIATURE TYPE

For Applications Critical as to Microphonics

#### GENERAL DATA

#### Electrical:

Heater, for Unipotential Cathodes:

Heater arrangement	Series	Parallel	
Voltage (AC or DC) . . . . .	12.6	6.3 ± 10%	volts
Current . . . . .	0.15 ± 6%	0.3	amp

Direct Interelectrode Capacitances (Approx.):<sup>a</sup>

	Unit No. 1	Unit No. 2	
Grid to plate . . . . .	1.5	1.5	μμf
Grid to cathode and heater . . .	1.6	1.6	μμf
Plate to cathode and heater . . .	0.5	0.35	μμf

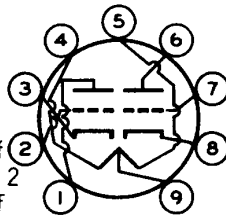
#### Characteristics, Class A<sub>1</sub> Amplifier (Each Unit):

Plate Voltage . . . . .	100	250	volts
Grid Voltage . . . . .	0	-8.5	volts
Amplification Factor . . . . .	19.5	17	
Plate Resistance (Approx.) . . . .	6250	7700	ohms
Transconductance . . . . .	3100	2200	μmhos
Plate Current . . . . .	11.8	10.5	ma
Grid Voltage (Approx.) for plate μa = 10 . . . . .	-	-24	volts

#### Mechanical:

Operating Position . . . . .	Any
Maximum Overall Length . . . . .	2-3/16"
Maximum Seated Length . . . . .	1-15/16"
Length, Base Seat to Bulb Top (Excluding tip) . . .	1-9/16" ± 3/32"
Diameter . . . . .	0.750" to 0.875"
Dimensional Outline . . . . .	See General Section
Bulb . . . . .	T6-1/2
Base . . . . .	Small-Button Noval 9-Pin (JEDEC No. E9-1)
Basing Designation for BOTTOM VIEW . . . . .	9A

Pin 1 - Plate of Unit No. 2	Pin 6 - Plate of Unit No. 1
Pin 2 - Grid of Unit No. 2	Pin 7 - Grid of Unit No. 1
Pin 3 - Cathode of Unit No. 2	Pin 8 - Cathode of Unit No. 1
Pins 4 & 9 - Heater of Unit No. 2	Pin 9 - Heater Tap
Pins 5 & 9 - Heater of Unit No. 1	



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## AMPLIFIER — Class A<sub>1</sub>

Values are for Each Unit

### → Maximum Ratings, Design-Maximum Values:

PLATE VOLTAGE . . . . .	330	max.	volts
CATHODE CURRENT . . . . .	22	max.	ma
PLATE DISSIPATION:			
Either plate. . . . .	2.75	max.	watts
Both plates (Both units operating). . .	5.5	max.	watts
PEAK HEATER-CATHODE VOLTAGE:			
Heater negative with respect to cathode.	200	max.	volts
Heater positive with respect to cathode.	200 <sup>b</sup>	max.	volts

### Typical Operation as Resistance-Coupled Amplifier:

See RESISTANCE-COUPLED AMPLIFIER CHART No. 10  
at front of this Section

### Maximum Circuit Values:

Grid-Circuit Resistance:			
For fixed-bias operation. . . . .	1	max.	megohm

## HORIZONTAL-DEFLECTION OSCILLATOR

Values are for Each Unit

### → Maximum Ratings, Design-Maximum Values:

For operation in a 525-line, 30-frame system<sup>c</sup>

DC PLATE VOLTAGE. . . . .	330	max.	volts
PEAK NEGATIVE-PULSE GRID VOLTAGE. . . . .	660	max.	volts
CATHODE CURRENT:			
Peak. . . . .	330	max.	ma
Average . . . . .	22	max.	ma
PLATE DISSIPATION:			
Either plate. . . . .	2.75	max.	watts
Both plates (Both units operating). . .	5.5	max.	watts
PEAK HEATER-CATHODE VOLTAGE:			
Heater negative with respect to cathode.	200	max.	volts
Heater positive with respect to cathode.	200 <sup>b</sup>	max.	volts

### Maximum Circuit Values:

Grid-Circuit Resistance . . . . .	2.2	max.	megohms
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## VERTICAL-DEFLECTION OSCILLATOR

Values are for Each Unit

### → Maximum Ratings, Design-Maximum Values:

For operation in a 525-line, 30-frame system<sup>c</sup>

DC PLATE VOLTAGE. . . . .	330	max.	volts
PEAK NEGATIVE-PULSE GRID VOLTAGE. . . . .	440	max.	volts
CATHODE CURRENT:			
Peak. . . . .	66	max.	ma
Average . . . . .	22	max.	ma

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## PLATE DISSIPATION:

Either plate. . . . . 2.75 max. watts  
Both plates (Both units operating). . . 5.5 max. watts

## PEAK HEATER-CATHODE VOLTAGE:

Heater negative with respect to cathode. 200 max. volts  
Heater positive with respect to cathode. 200<sup>b</sup> max. volts

## Maximum Circuit Values:

Grid-Circuit Resistance . . . . . 2.2 max. megohms

## VERTICAL-DEFLECTION AMPLIFIER

*Values are for Each Unit*

### Maximum Ratings, Design-Maximum Values: ←

*For operation in a 525-line, 30-frame system<sup>c</sup>*

DC PLATE VOLTAGE. . . . . 300 max. volts  
PEAK POSITIVE-PULSE PLATE VOLTAGE<sup>d</sup>. . . . 1200 max. volts  
PEAK NEGATIVE-PULSE GRID VOLTAGE. . . . . 275 max. volts

## CATHODE CURRENT:

Peak. . . . . 66 max. ma  
Average . . . . . 22 max. ma

## PLATE DISSIPATION:

Either plate. . . . . 2.75 max. watts  
Both plates (Both units operating). . . 5.5 max. watts

## PEAK HEATER-CATHODE VOLTAGE:

Heater negative with respect to cathode. 200 max. volts  
Heater positive with respect to cathode. 200<sup>b</sup> max. volts

## Maximum Circuit Values:

Grid-Circuit Resistance:  
For cathode-bias operation. . . . . 2.2 max. megohms

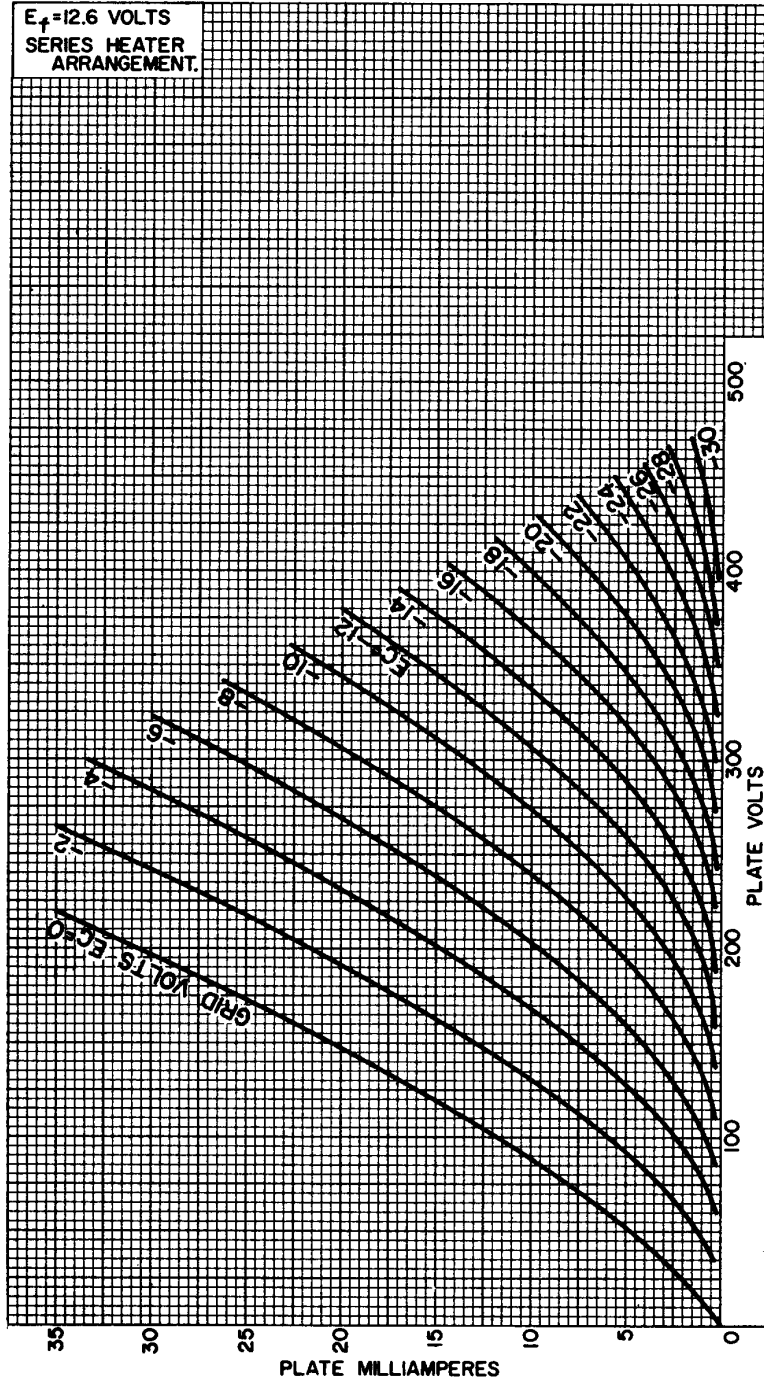
- <sup>a</sup> Without external shield.
- <sup>b</sup> The dc component must not exceed 100 volts.
- <sup>c</sup> As described in "Standards of Good Engineering Practice Concerning Television Broadcast Stations," Federal Communications Commission.
- <sup>d</sup> This rating is applicable where the duration of the voltage pulse does not exceed 15 per cent of one vertical scanning cycle. In a 525-line, 30-frame system, 15 per cent of one vertical scanning cycle is 2.5 milliseconds.

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## AVERAGE PLATE CHARACTERISTICS Each Unit



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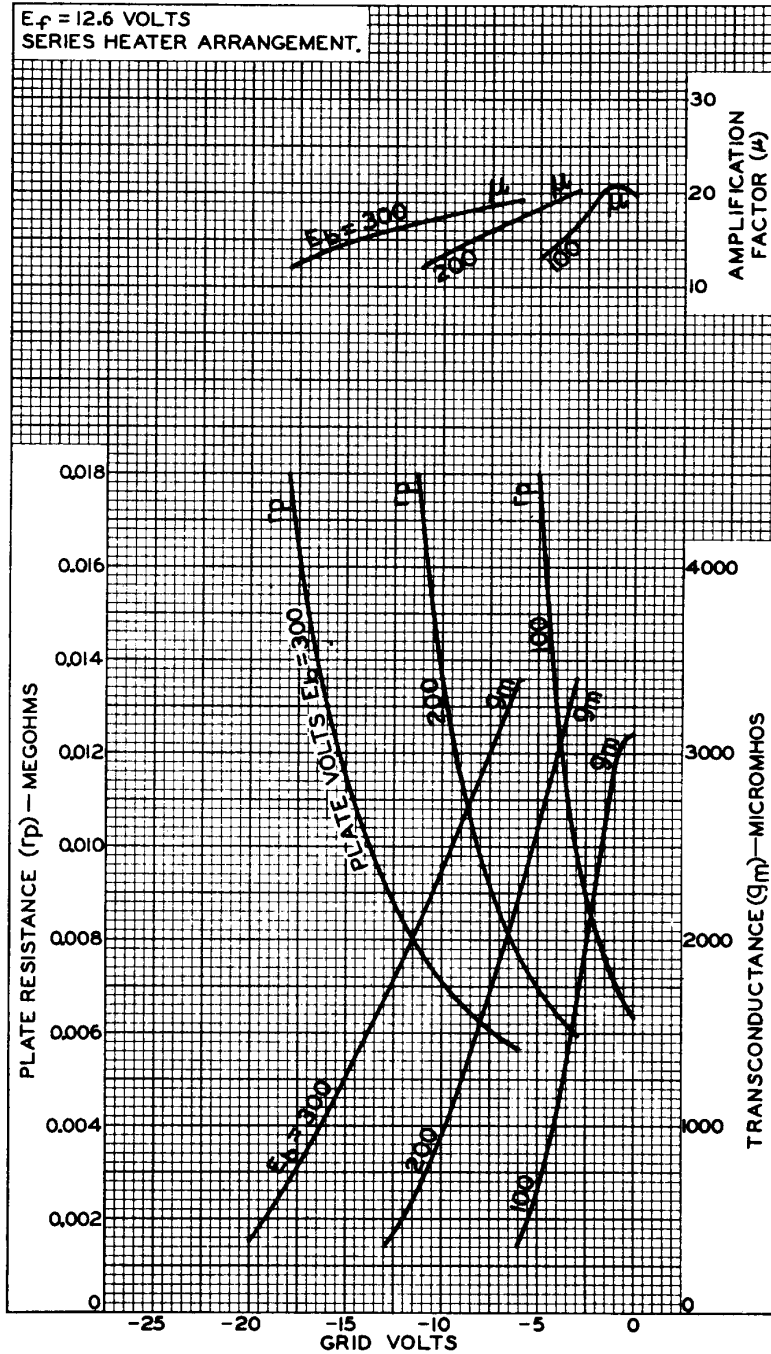
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## AVERAGE CHARACTERISTICS Each Unit



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