



12BH7-A

TWIN TRIODE

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DESCRIPTION AND RATING

The 12BH7-A is a miniature, medium-mu twin triode designed primarily for use as a vertical-deflection amplifier in television receivers. In this application, the two sections may be employed in parallel, or they may be employed as a combined vertical-deflection amplifier and vertical oscillator. The tube is also suitable for use as the horizontal oscillator in television receivers as well as in a wide variety of general-purpose applications. Each section of the 12BH7-A features a relatively high plate current at low plate voltages and is capable of withstanding the high pulse voltages normally encountered in vertical-amplifier applications.

The 12BH7-A differs from the 12BH7 primarily by incorporating a controlled heater warm-up characteristic which makes the tube particularly suited for use in television receivers which employ 600-milliamperre series-connected heaters.

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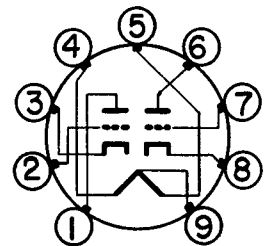
ELECTRICAL

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|--|---------------|-----------------|---------|
| Cathode—Coated Unipotential | Series | Parallel | |
| Heater Voltage, AC or DC | 12.6 | 6.3 | Volts |
| Heater Current | 0.3 | 0.6 | Amperes |
| Heater Warm-up Time* | | 11 | Seconds |
| Direct Interelectrode Capacitances, approximate† | | | |
| Grid to Plate, Each Section | 2.6 | | μμf |
| Input, Each Section | 3.2 | | μμf |
| Output, Section 1 | 0.5 | | μμf |
| Output, Section 2 | 0.4 | | μμf |
| Plate to Plate | 0.8 | | μμf |

MECHANICAL

Mounting Position—Any
 Envelope—T-6½, Glass
 Base—E9-1, Small Button 9-Pin

BASING DIAGRAM

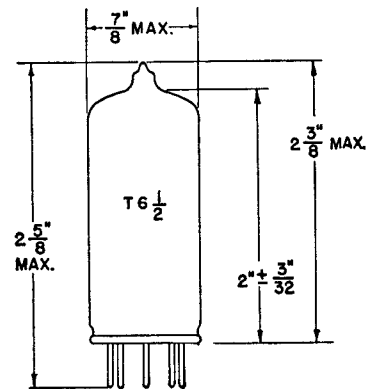


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TERMINAL CONNECTIONS

- Pin 1—Plate (Section 2)
- Pin 2—Grid (Section 2)
- Pin 3—Cathode (Section 2)
- Pin 4—Heater
- Pin 5—Heater
- Pin 6—Plate (Section 1)
- Pin 7—Grid (Section 1)
- Pin 8—Cathode (Section 1)
- Pin 9—Heater Center-Tap

PHYSICAL DIMENSIONS



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MAXIMUM RATINGS

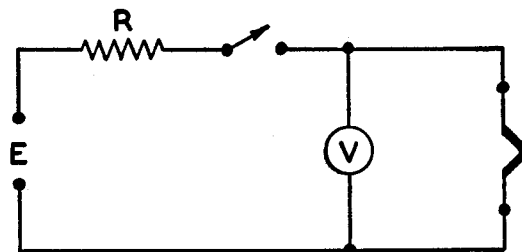
| DESIGN-CENTER VALUES UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED, EACH SECTION | Class A₁ Amplifier | Vertical- Deflection Amplifier‡ |
|--|--|--|
| DC Plate Voltage | 300 | 450 Volts |
| Peak Positive Pulse Plate Voltage | . . . | 1500§ Volts |
| Positive DC Grid Voltage | 0 | . . . Volts |
| Negative DC Grid Voltage | 50 | . . . Volts |
| Peak Negative Grid Voltage | . . . | 250 Volts |
| Plate Dissipation | 3.5 | 3.5π Watts |
| DC Cathode Current | 20 | 20 Milliamperes |
| Peak Cathode Current | . . . | 70 Milliamperes |
| Heater-Cathode Voltage | | |
| Heater Positive with Respect to Cathode | | |
| DC Component | 100 | 100 Volts |
| Total DC and Peak | 200 | 200 Volts |
| Heater Negative with Respect to Cathode | | |
| Total DC and Peak | 200 | 200 Volts |
| Grid Circuit Resistance | | |
| With Fixed Bias | 0.25 | . . . Megohms |
| With Cathode Bias | 1.0 | 2.2 Megohms |
| | Vertical- Oscillator Service‡ | Horizontal- Oscillator Service‡ |
| DC Plate Voltage | 450 | 450 Volts |
| Peak Negative Grid Voltage | 400 | 600 Volts |
| Plate Dissipation | 3.5 | 3.5 Watts |
| DC Cathode Current | 20 | 20 Milliamperes |
| Peak Cathode Current | 70 | 300 Milliamperes |
| Heater-Cathode Voltage | | |
| Heater Positive with Respect to Cathode | | |
| DC Component | 100 | 100 Volts |
| Total DC and Peak | 200 | 200 Volts |
| Heater Negative with Respect to Cathode | | |
| Total DC and Peak | 200 | 200 Volts |
| Grid Circuit Resistance | | |
| With Fixed Bias | 2.2 | 2.2 Megohms |
| With Cathode Bias | 2.2 | 2.2 Megohms |

CHARACTERISTICS AND TYPICAL OPERATION

CLASS A₁ AMPLIFIER, EACH SECTION

| | | |
|--|-------|-------------------|
| Plate Voltage | 250 | 250 Volts |
| Grid Voltage | -14 | -10.5 Volts |
| Amplification Factor | . . . | 16.5 |
| Plate Resistance, approximate | . . . | 5300 Ohms |
| Transconductance | . . . | 3100 Micromhos |
| Plate Current | 4.0 | 11.5 Milliamperes |
| Grid Voltage, approximate | | |
| I _b = 50 Microamperes | . . . | -23 Volts |

* Heater warm-up time is defined as the time required in the circuit shown at the right for the voltage across the heater terminals (V) to increase from zero to the heater test voltage (V_1). For this type, $E=25.0$ volts (RMS or DC), $V_1=5.0$ volts (RMS or DC) and $R=31.5$ ohms.



Heater of Tube under Test

† Without external shield.

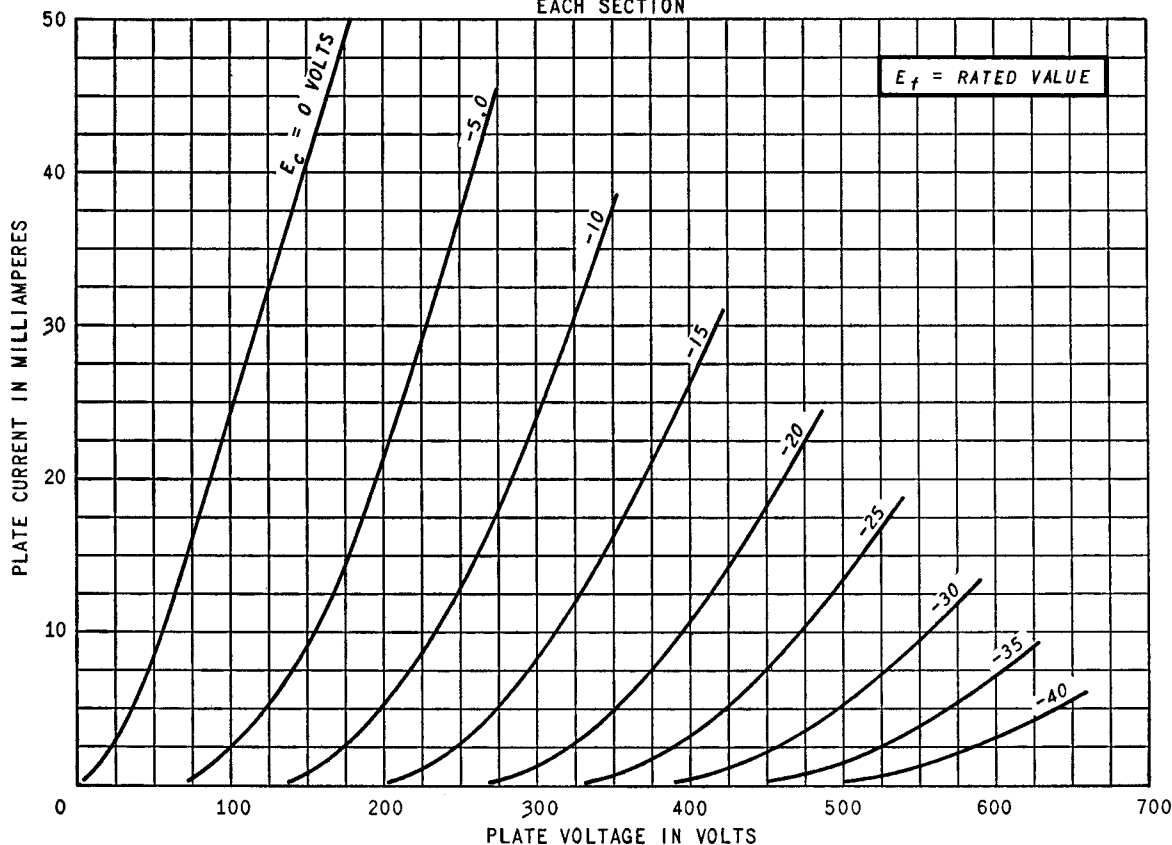
‡ For operation in a 525-line, 30-frame television system as described in "Standards of Good Engineering Practice Concerning Television Broadcast Stations," Federal Communications Commission. The duty cycle of the voltage pulse must not exceed 15 percent of one scanning cycle.

§ Value given is to be considered as an Absolute Maximum Rating. In this case, the combined effect of supply voltage variation, manufacturing variation including components in the equipment, and adjustment of equipment controls should not cause the rated value to be exceeded.

π In stages operating with grid-leak bias, an adequate cathode-bias resistor or other suitable means is required to protect the tube in the absence of excitation.

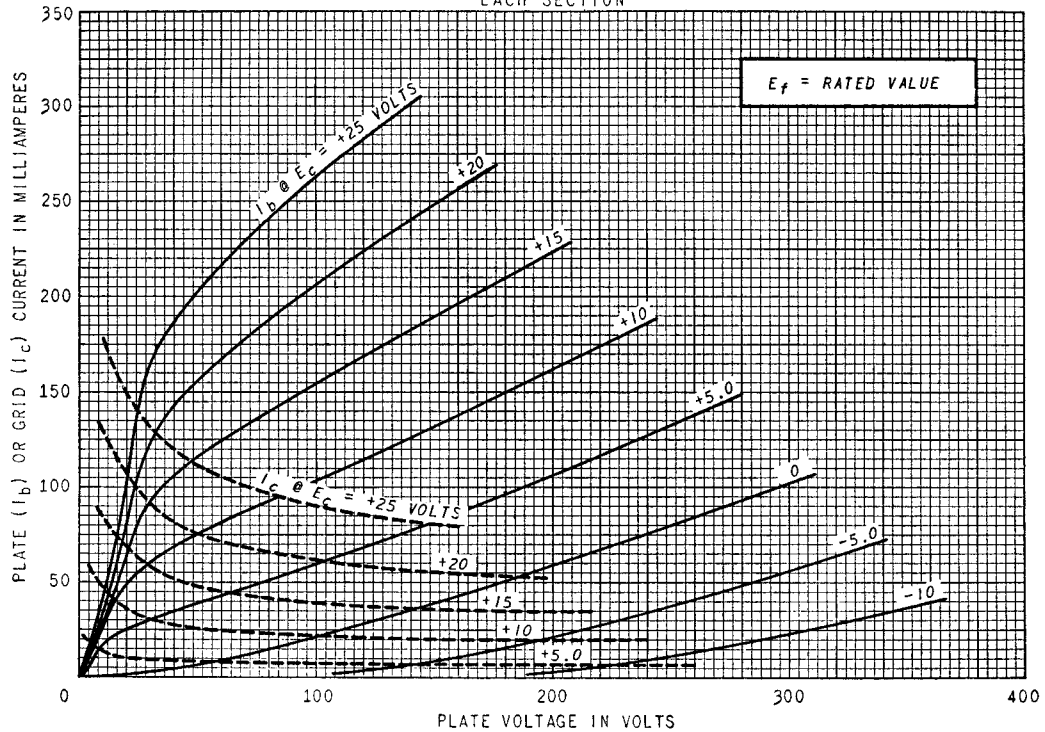
AVERAGE PLATE CHARACTERISTICS

EACH SECTION



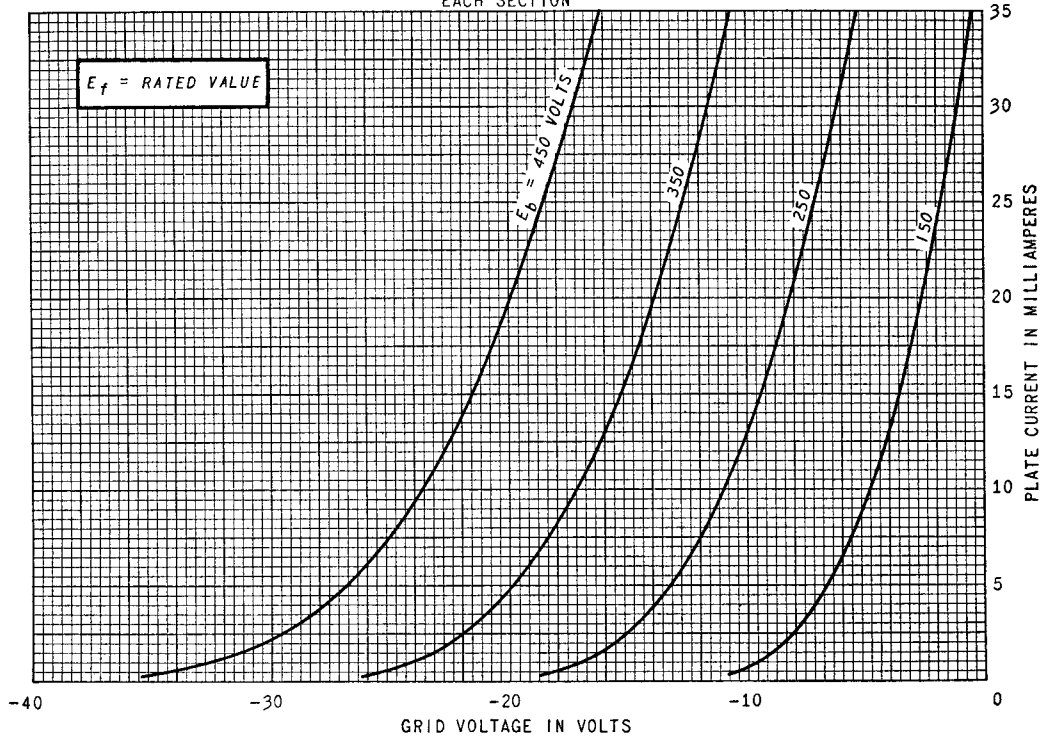
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AVERAGE TRANSFER CHARACTERISTICS

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