

## TWIN TRIODE

Five-Star Tube

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### DESCRIPTION AND RATING

#### FOR LOW-LEVEL AMPLIFIER APPLICATIONS

**HIGH MU  
9-PIN MINIATURE**

**SHOCK, VIBRATION RATINGS  
HEATER-CYCLING RATING**

**LOW NOISE**

The 6072-A is a low-noise, low-microphonic miniature twin triode designed primarily for use in the low-level stages of high-gain audio-frequency amplifiers.

The 6072-A is a special-quality tube intended for use in critical industrial and military applications in which operational dependability is of primary importance. Features of the tube include a high degree of mechanical strength and a heater-cathode construction capable of withstanding many-thousand cycles of intermittent operation. When used in on-off control applications, the tube will maintain its emission capabilities after long periods of operation under cutoff conditions.

The 6072-A differs from the 6072 in having controls on interface resistance and higher interelectrode leakage resistance.

### GENERAL

#### ELECTRICAL

Cathode—Coated Unipotential

Heater Characteristics and Ratings

	Series	Parallel
Heater Voltage,		
AC or DC*	12.6 ± 1.3	6.3 ± 0.6
Heater Current	0.175 †	0.35 †
Direct Interelectrode Capacitances ‡		
Grid to Plate, Each Section: (g to p)	1.4	pf
Input, Each Section: g to (h+k)	1.5	pf
Output, Section 1: p to (h+k)	0.48	pf
Output, Section 2: p to (h+k)	0.38	pf

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#### MECHANICAL

Mounting Position—Any

Envelope—T-6 1/2, Glass

Base—E9-1, Small Button 9-Pin

Outline Drawing—EIA 6-2

Maximum Diameter . . . . . 7/8 Inches

Maximum Over-all Length . . . . . 2 3/8 Inches

Maximum Seated Height . . . . . 1 1/8 Inches

### MAXIMUM RATINGS

#### ABSOLUTE-MAXIMUM VALUES, EACH SECTION

Plate Voltage . . . . . 330 Volts

Positive DC Grid Voltage . . . . . 0 Volts

Plate Dissipation, Each Plate . . . . . 1.6 Watts

Heater-Cathode Voltage

Heater Positive with Respect to

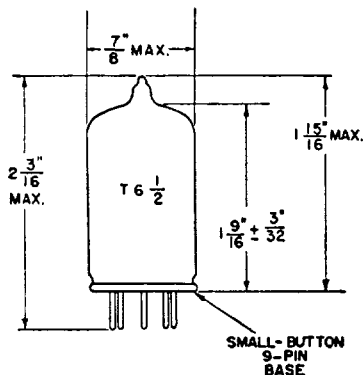
Cathode . . . . . 100 Volts

Heater Negative with Respect to

Cathode . . . . . 100 Volts

Bulb Temperature at Hottest Point ¶ . . . . . 165 C

#### PHYSICAL DIMENSIONS

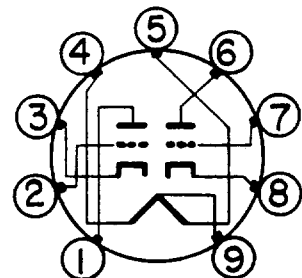


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#### TERMINAL CONNECTIONS

- 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

#### BASING DIAGRAM



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## MAXIMUM RATINGS (Continued)

Absolute-Maximum ratings are limiting values of operating and environmental conditions applicable to any electron tube of a specified type as defined by its published data and should not be exceeded under the worst probable conditions.

The tube manufacturer chooses these values to provide acceptable serviceability of the tube, making no allowance for equipment variations, environmental variations, and the effects of changes in operating conditions due to variations in the characteristics of the tube under consideration and of all other electron devices in the equipment.

The equipment manufacturer should design so that initially and throughout life no absolute-maximum value for the intended service is exceeded with any tube under the worst probable operating conditions with respect to supply-voltage variation, equipment component variation, equipment control adjustment, load variation, signal variation, environmental conditions, and variations in the characteristics of the tube under consideration and of all other electron devices in the equipment.

## CHARACTERISTICS AND TYPICAL OPERATION

### CLASS A<sub>1</sub> AMPLIFIER, EACH SECTION

Plate Voltage.....	250	Volts
Grid Voltage.....	-4.0	Volts
Amplification Factor.....	44	
Plate Resistance, approximate.....	25000	Ohms
Transconductance.....	1750	Micromhos
Plate Current.....	3.0	Milliamperes
Grid Voltage, approximate		
I <sub>b</sub> = 10 Microamperes.....	-8	Volts

### LOW-LEVEL AMPLIFIER SERVICE, EACH SECTION

Heater Voltage#.....	6.3	Volts
Plate-Supply Voltage.....	150	Volts
Plate Load Resistor.....	20000	Ohms
Grid Resistor.....	0.1	Megohm
Cathode-Bias Resistor.....	2700	Ohms
Cathode-Bypass Capacitor.....	40	Microfarads
Voltage Gain.....	12.5	

- \* The equipment designer should design the equipment so that heater voltage is centered at the specified bogey value, with heater supply variations restricted to maintain heater voltage within the specified tolerance.
- † Heater current of a bogey tube with series-connected heaters at E<sub>f</sub> = 12.6 volts.
- ‡ Heater current of a bogey tube with parallel-connected heaters at E<sub>f</sub> = 6.3 volts.

- § Without external shield.
- ¶ The indicated maximum bulb-temperature rating should never be exceeded under any circumstances. Tube life and reliability of performance will be enhanced by operation at lower temperatures.
- # Pin 9 connected to negative B supply.

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## CLASS A RESISTANCE-COUPLED AMPLIFIER EACH SECTION

LOW IMPEDANCE DRIVE (APPROXIMATELY 200 OHMS)										
R <sub>L</sub>	R <sub>gf</sub>	E <sub>bb</sub> = 90 Volts			E <sub>bb</sub> = 180 Volts			E <sub>bb</sub> = 300 Volts		
		R <sub>k</sub>	E <sub>o</sub>	Gain	R <sub>k</sub>	E <sub>o</sub>	Gain	R <sub>k</sub>	E <sub>o</sub>	Gain
0.10	0.10	1900	6.9	22	1300	18	25	1000	34	27
0.10	0.24	2100	9.6	25	1500	24	28	1300	45	29
0.24	0.24	4200	8.2	26	2700	20	28	2200	36	30
0.24	0.51	4800	11	27	3100	25	28	2700	45	31
0.51	0.51	8800	8.6	26	6000	20	29	4700	36	30
0.51	1.0	10000	11	27	7200	25	29	6000	45	31

HIGH IMPEDANCE DRIVE (APPROXIMATELY 100K OHMS)										
R <sub>L</sub>	R <sub>gf</sub>	E <sub>bb</sub> = 90 Volts			E <sub>bb</sub> = 180 Volts			E <sub>bb</sub> = 300 Volts		
		R <sub>k</sub>	E <sub>o</sub>	Gain	R <sub>k</sub>	E <sub>o</sub>	Gain	R <sub>k</sub>	E <sub>o</sub>	Gain
0.10	0.10	2600	8.8	21	1600	20	24	1300	36	26
0.10	0.24	3000	12	23	1900	27	27	1600	48	28
0.24	0.24	5500	11	24	3500	24	27	2800	41	29
0.24	0.51	6200	13	25	4100	29	28	3400	51	30
0.51	0.51	11000	11	25	6800	25	28	5500	49	30
0.51	1.0	12000	14	26	8100	31	29	6700	54	30

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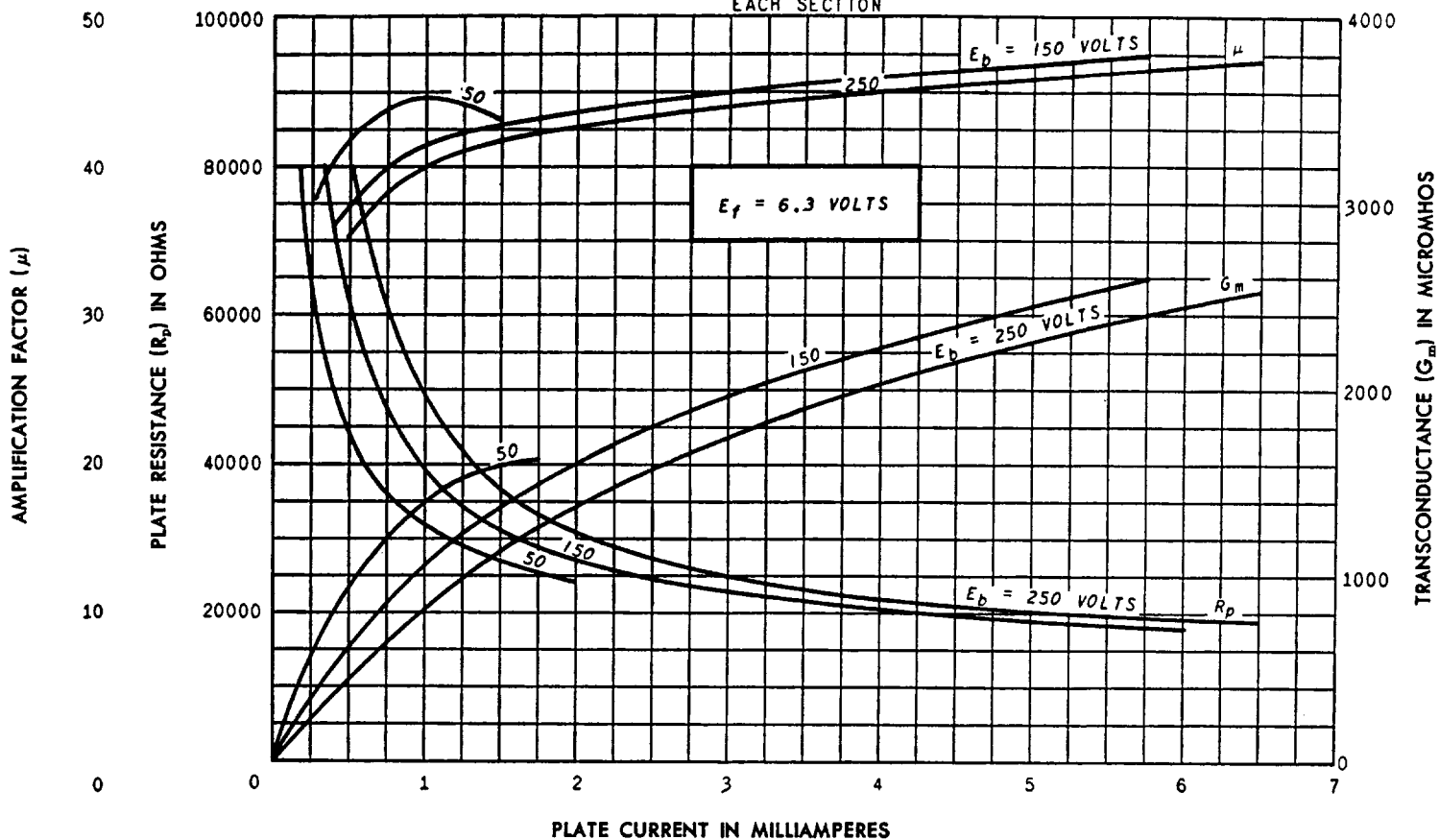
- E<sub>o</sub> is maximum RMS voltage output for approximately five percent total harmonic distortion.
- Gain is measured for an output voltage of two volts RMS.
- R<sub>k</sub> is in ohms; R<sub>L</sub> and R<sub>gf</sub> are in megohms.
- Coupling capacitors (C) should be selected to give desired frequency response. R<sub>k</sub> should be adequately by-passed.

## CHARACTERISTICS LIMITS

		Minimum	Maximum	
<b>Heater Current</b>				
E <sub>f</sub> = 12.6 volts	Initial	160	190	Milliamperes
	500-Hr	160	190	Milliamperes
	1000-Hr	160	190	Milliamperes
<b>Plate Current, Each Section</b>				
E <sub>f</sub> = 12.6 volts, E <sub>b</sub> = 250 volts, E <sub>c</sub> = -4.0 volts	Initial	1.9	4.0	Milliamperes
<b>Plate Current Difference between Sections</b>				
Difference between plate currents for each section at E <sub>f</sub> = 12.6 volts, E <sub>b</sub> = 250 volts, E <sub>c</sub> = -4.0 volts	Initial	.....	0.9	Milliamperes
<b>Transconductance, Each Section</b>				
E <sub>f</sub> = 12.6 volts, E <sub>b</sub> = 250 volts, E <sub>c</sub> = -4.0 volts	Initial	1350	2150	Micromhos
<b>Transconductance Change with Heater Voltage, Each Section</b>				
Difference between Transconductance and Transconductance at E <sub>f</sub> = 11.4 volts (other conditions the same) expressed as a percentage of Transconductance	Initial	.....	15	Percent
	500-Hr	.....	15	Percent
	1000-Hr	.....	20	Percent
<b>Transconductance Change with Operation, Each Section</b>				
Difference between Transconductance initially and after operation expressed as a percentage of initial value	500-Hr	.....	20	Percent
	1000-Hr	.....	25	Percent
<b>Average Transconductance Change with Operation, Each Section</b>				
Average of values for "Transconductance Change with Operation"	500-Hr	.....	10	Percent
<b>Amplification Factor, Each Section</b>				
E <sub>f</sub> = 12.6 volts, E <sub>b</sub> = 250 volts, E <sub>c</sub> = -4.0 volts	Initial	38	50	
<b>Plate Current Cutoff, Each Section</b>				
E <sub>f</sub> = 12.6 volts, E <sub>bb</sub> = 250 volts, E <sub>c</sub> = -10.5 volts, R <sub>L</sub> = 0.1 meg	Initial	.....	24	Microamperes
<b>AC Amplification, Each Section</b>				
<b>(RMS Output Voltage from Fixed Input Signal)</b>				
E <sub>f</sub> = 12.6 volts, E <sub>bb</sub> = 100 volts, E <sub>cc</sub> = 0 volts, R <sub>L</sub> = 0.5 meg, R <sub>g</sub> = 10 meg, E <sub>sig</sub> = 0.2 volts, RMS	Initial	5.5	.....	Volts
<b>Interelectrode Capacitances</b>				
Grid to Plate (g to p), Each Section	Initial	1.1	1.7	pf
Input (g to k+h), Each Section	Initial	1.2	1.8	pf
Output (p to k+h), Section 1	Initial	0.24	0.72	pf
Output (p to k+h), Section 2	Initial	0.19	0.57	pf
Measured without external shield				
<b>Negative Grid Current, Each Section</b>				
E <sub>f</sub> = 12.6 volts, E <sub>b</sub> = 250 volts, E <sub>cc</sub> = -4.0 volts, R <sub>g</sub> = 0.25 meg	Initial	.....	0.5	Microamperes
	500-Hr	.....	0.5	Microamperes
	1000-Hr	.....	0.5	Microamperes
<b>Heater-Cathode Leakage Current</b>				
E <sub>f</sub> = 12.6 volts, E <sub>hk</sub> = 100 volts (parallel sections)				
Heater Positive with Respect to Cathode	Initial	.....	7	Microamperes
	500-Hr	.....	10	Microamperes
	1000-Hr	.....	10	Microamperes
Heater Negative with Respect to Cathode	Initial	.....	7	Microamperes
	500-Hr	.....	10	Microamperes
	1000-Hr	.....	10	Microamperes

### AVERAGE CHARACTERISTICS

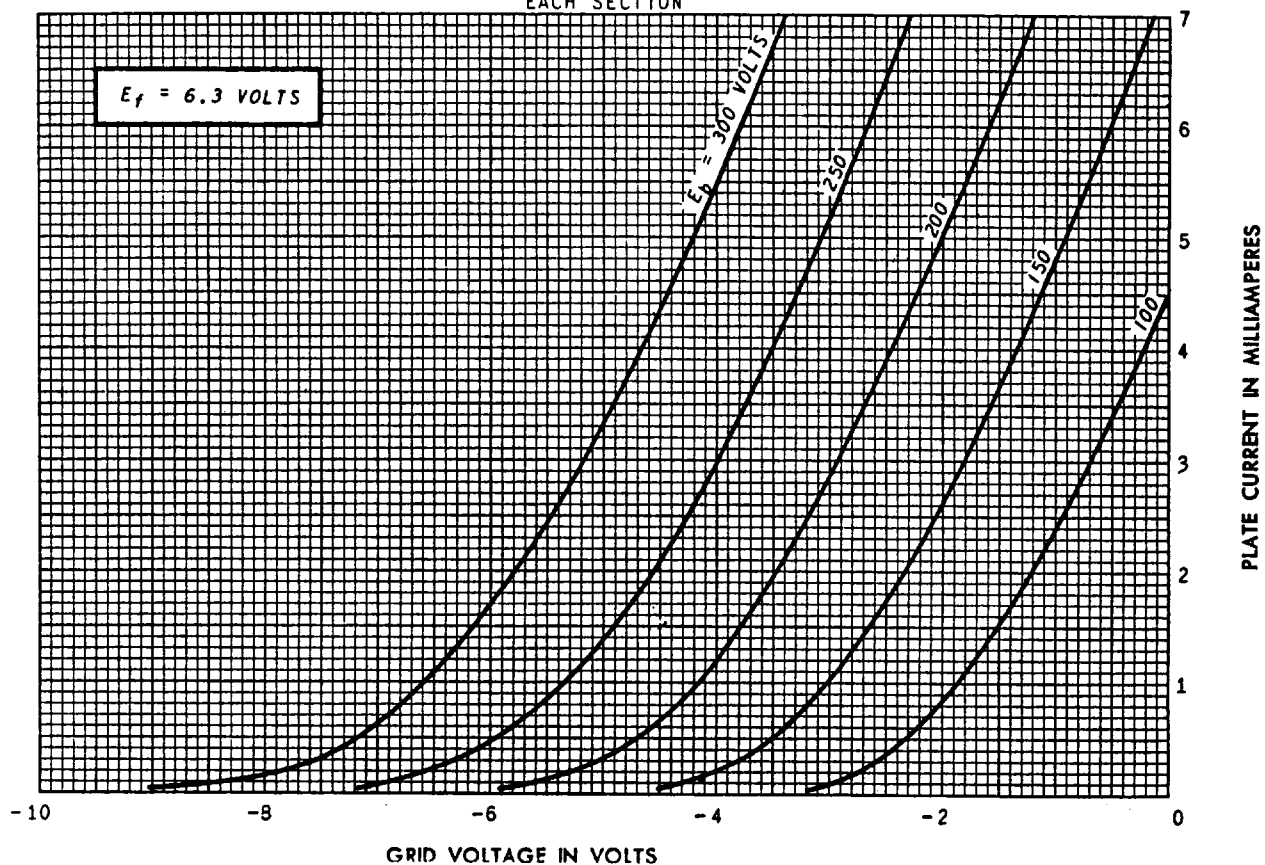
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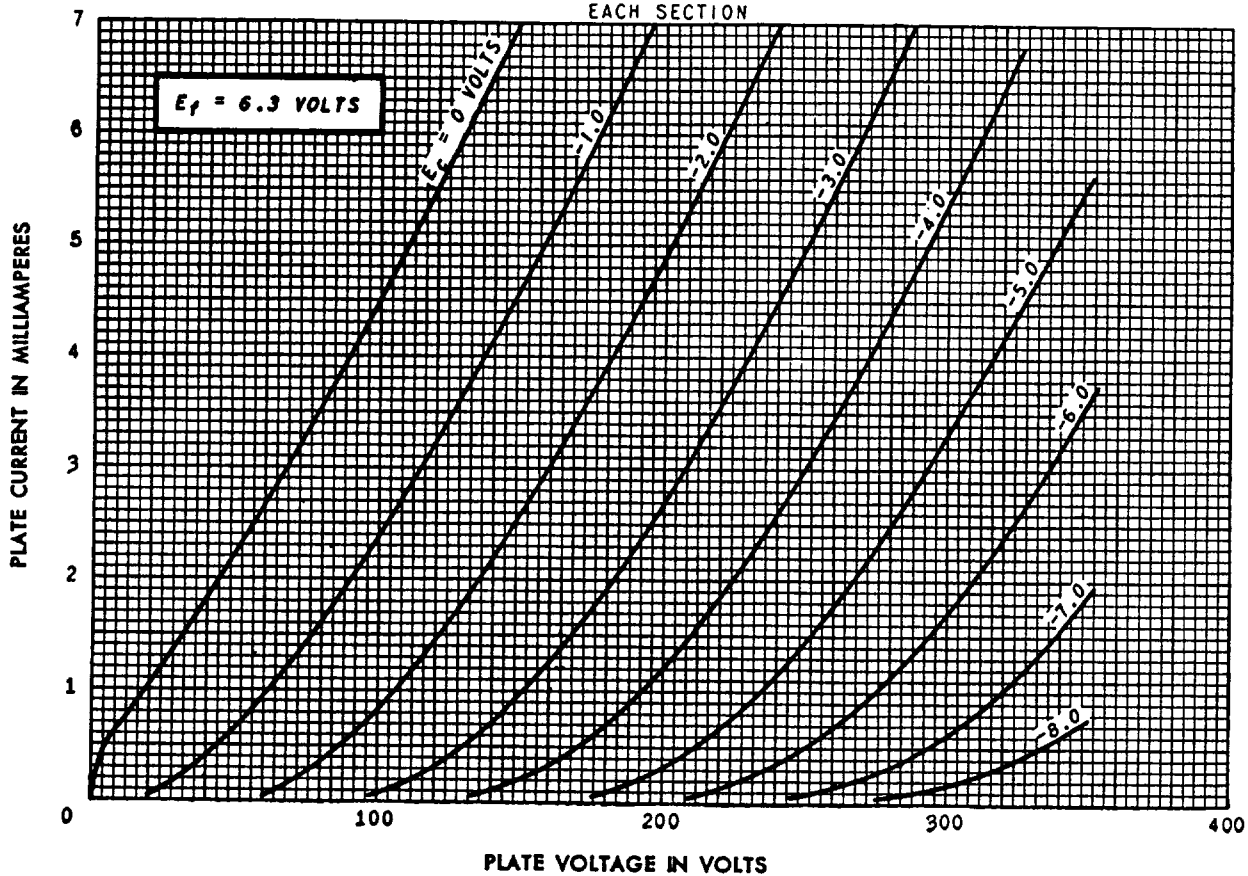
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### AVERAGE TRANSFER CHARACTERISTICS

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### AVERAGE PLATE CHARACTERISTICS EACH SECTION



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