



**ELECTRONIC  
INNOVATIONS  
IN ACTION**

**TUBES**

# Triple Triode

## 6MD8

- COLOR TV TYPE
■ CHROMA MATRIXING AMPLIFIER
■ MEDIUM-MU
■ LOW B+ OPERATION

The 6MD8 is a medium-mu triple triode intended for use in the matrixing circuits of color television receivers. It can also be used in phase-inverter, multivibrator, and general-purpose amplifier applications.

The 6MD8 utilizes a T-9 bulb and features a 9-pin glass button base with a 0.687-inch pin circle.

### GENERAL

<b>ELECTRICAL</b>			
Cathode - Coated Unipotential			
Heater Characteristics and Ratings			
Heater Voltage, AC or DC*	. . . . .		6.3±0.6 Volts
Heater Current†	. . . . .		0.9 Amperes
Direct Interelectrode Capacitances‡			
	<b>Section 1</b>	<b>Section 2</b>	<b>Section 3</b>
Grid to Plate:			
(g to p)	3.0	3.0	3.0 pf
Input:			
g to (h + k)	3.6	3.6	3.4 pf
Output:			
p to (h + k)	0.48	0.48	0.36 pf

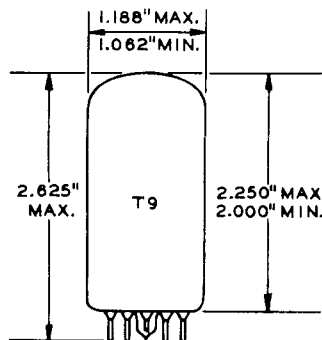
<b>MECHANICAL</b>	
Operating Position - Any	
Envelope - T-9, Glass	
Base - E9-89, Button 9-Pin	
Outline Drawing - EIA 9-108	
Maximum Diameter . . . . .	1.188 Inches
Minimum Diameter . . . . .	1.062 Inches
Maximum Over-all Length. . . . .	2.625 Inches
Maximum Seated Height . . . . .	2.250 Inches
Minimum Seated Height . . . . .	2.000 Inches

### MAXIMUM RATINGS

#### DESIGN-MAXIMUM VALUES, EACH SECTION

Plate Voltage . . . . .	330	Volts
Positive DC Grid Voltage . . . . .	0	Volts
Plate Dissipation, Each Plate. . . . .	3.0	Watts
Heater-Cathode Voltage		
Heater Positive with Respect to Cathode		
DC Component . . . . .	100	Volts
Total DC and Peak. . . . .	200	Volts
Heater Negative with Respect to Cathode		
Total DC and Peak. . . . .	200	Volts
Grid Circuit Resistance		
With Fixed Bias . . . . .	1.0	Megohms

#### PHYSICAL DIMENSIONS

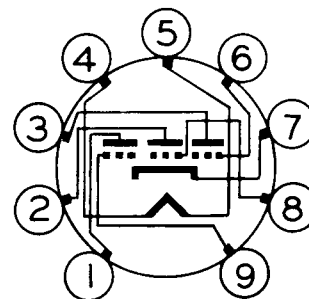


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#### TERMINAL CONNECTIONS

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

#### BASING DIAGRAM



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**MAXIMUM RATINGS (Cont'd)**

Design-Maximum ratings are limiting values of operating and environmental conditions applicable to a bogey 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 allowance for the effects of changes in operating conditions due to variations in the characteristics of the tube under consideration.

The equipment manufacturer should design so that initially and throughout life no design-maximum value for the intended service is exceeded with a bogey 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 all other electron devices in the equipment.

**CHARACTERISTICS AND TYPICAL OPERATION**

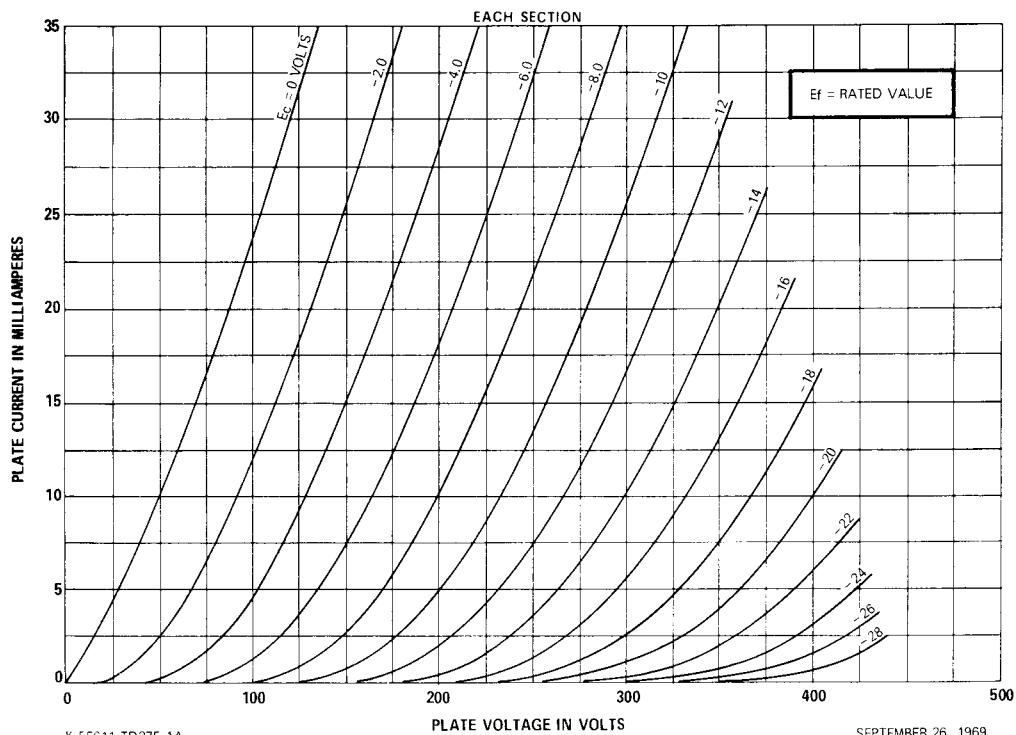
**AVERAGE CHARACTERISTICS, EACH SECTION**

Plate Voltage . . . . .	250	Volts
Grid Voltage . . . . .	-10.5	Volts
Amplification Factor . . . . .	17	
Plate Resistance, approximate. . . . .	5500	Ohms
Transconductance . . . . .	3100	Micromhos
Plate Current . . . . .	11.5	Milliamperes
Plate Current, approximate		
$E_c = -14$ volts. . . . .	4	Milliamperes
Grid Voltage, approximate		
$I_b = 50$ Microamperes. . . . .	-23	Volts

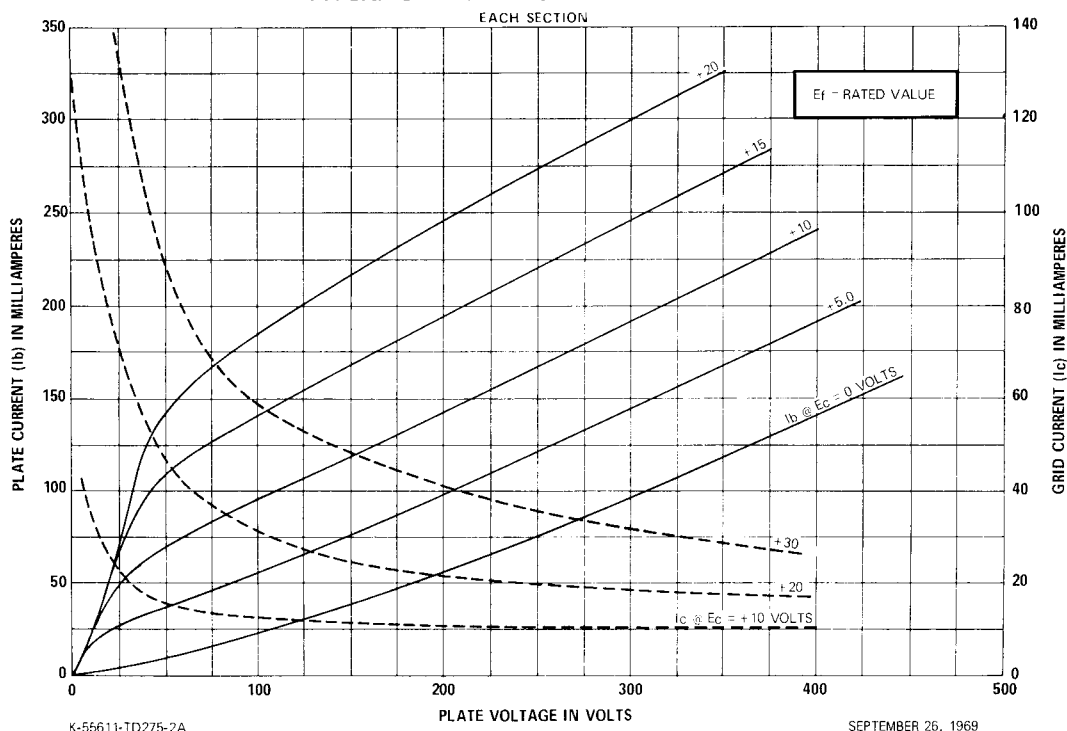
**NOTES**

- \* 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 at  $E_f = 6.3$  volts.
- § Without external shield.

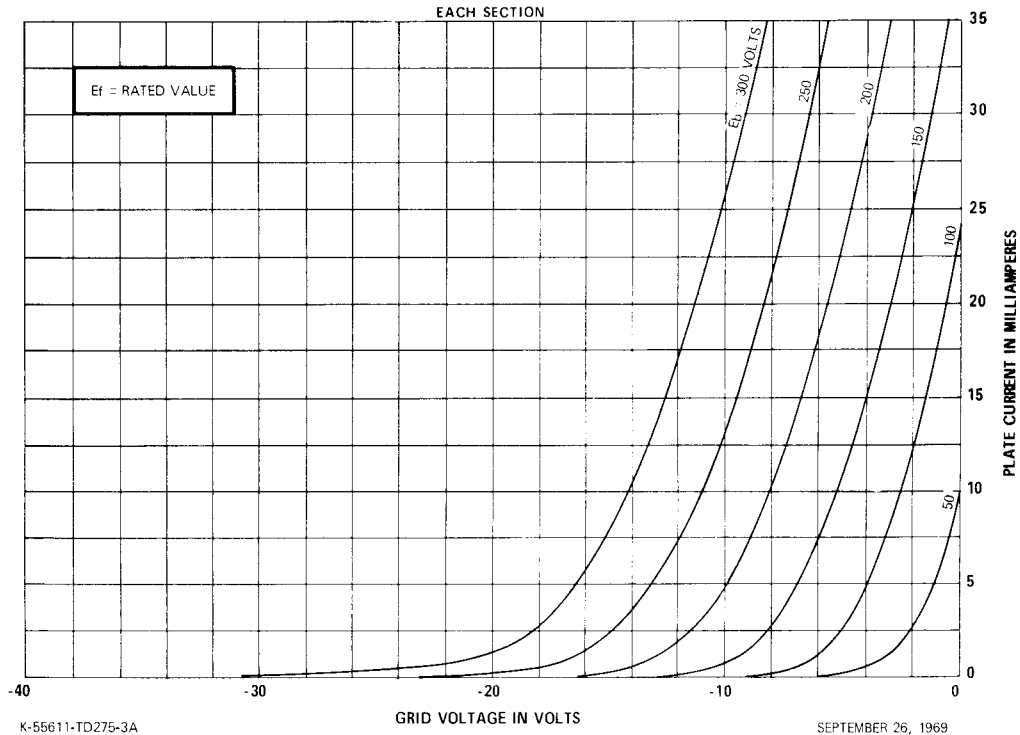
### AVERAGE PLATE CHARACTERISTICS



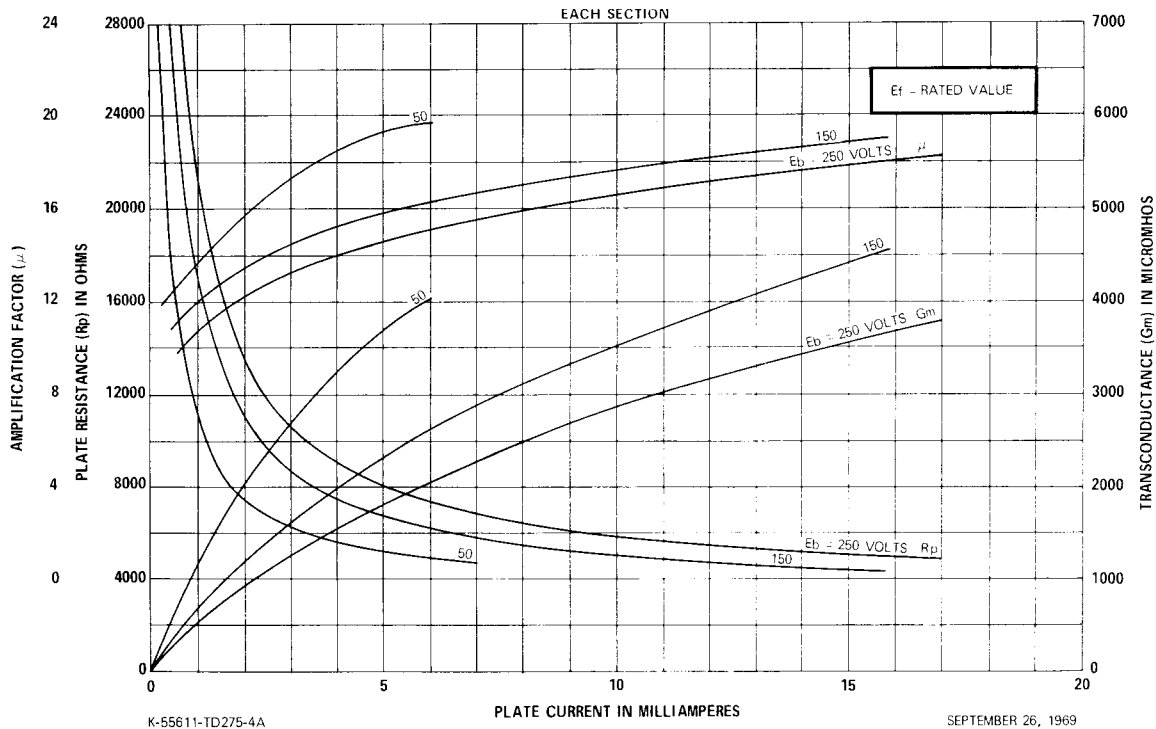
### AVERAGE PLATE CHARACTERISTICS



### AVERAGE TRANSFER CHARACTERISTICS



### AVERAGE CHARACTERISTICS



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