



## TETRODE AMPLIFIER

# 7150

Intended for use in broadband amplifiers from audio frequencies up to about 300 Mc. Pentodelike characteristics render the 7150 very useful in output stages. When triode-connected it is very suitable as a low-noise amplifier in input stages. Low capacitance between plate and cathode make it particularly useful in grounded grid circuits.

The frame grid, described in Section A, with lateral wire diameter of only .0065 mm provides high broadband qualities and freedom from microphonics. The figure of merit is outstanding, especially at intermediate frequencies owing to the low output capacitance.

Compact construction and triple cathode leads provide small transit time loading and low cathode lead inductance. Because of this input conductance is low — approximately 1100  $\mu$ mhos at 70 Mc.

### ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

Plate Voltage . . . . .	165	volts
Grid No 2 Voltage . . . . .	165	volts
Grid No 1 Voltage, positive value . . . . .	+ 0	volts
Grid No 1 Voltage, negative value . . . . .	- 25	volts
Cathode Current . . . . .	55	ma
Plate Dissipation . . . . .	4.5	watts
Grid No 2 Dissipation (see Section A) . . . . .	1.65	watts
[Plate + Grid No 2] Dissipation (Grid No 2 connected to Plate) . . . . .	5.5	watts
Heater — Cathode Voltage . . . . .	55	volts
Bulb Temperature, at hottest point . . . . .	140	°C
Grid No 1 Circuit Resistance		
with fixed bias . . . . .	.05	Mohm
with cathode bias . . . . .	.1	Mohm

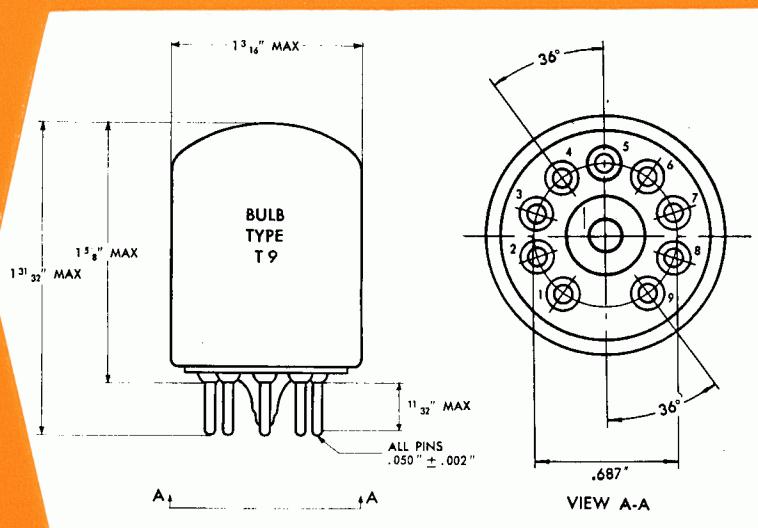
### MECHANICAL DATA

Base: 9-pin, as per drawing  
Bulb: EIA T 9

Mounting Position: Any

- PIN NO. CONNECTED TO
1. Plate
  2. Heater
  3. Cathode
  4. Grid No 1
  5. Heater, Internal Shield\*
  6. Cathode
  7. Cathode
  8. No Connection
  9. Grid No 2

\* The internal shield connected to Pin No 5 should be grounded as there is a direct flow of electrons from the cathode to the shield when the latter is positive in relation to the cathode.



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## TETRODE CHARACTERISTICS

### COLD CAPACITANCES (without external shield)

Grid No 1 to Plate . . . . .	.03	$\mu\mu F$
Input . . . . .	16	$\mu\mu F$
Output . . . . .	2	$\mu\mu F$

### TYPICAL OPERATION. CLASS A<sub>1</sub>

Heater Voltage . . . . .	6.3	6.3	volts
Heater Current . . . . .	.45	.45	amp
Plate Supply Voltage . . . . .	135	125	volts
Grid No 2 Supply Voltage . . . . .	135	125	volts
Grid No 1 Supply Voltage . . . . .	+ 8		volts
Cathode Bias Resistor . . . . .	260	45	ohms
Plate Current . . . . .	27.5	24	ma
Grid No 2 Current . . . . .	8.5	7.5	ma
Transconductance . . . . .	35,800	34,000	$\mu mhos$
Plate Resistance, approx. . . . .	.03	.03	Mohm
Equivalent Noise Resistance . . . . .	160	160	ohms
Transit Time Loading at 100 Mc . . . . .	200	200	$\mu mhos$
Input Conductance at 100 Mc . . . . .	2200	2200	$\mu mhos$

### FIGURE OF MERIT

	Tube Cold	Typical operation*
At LF without external shield $\frac{g_m}{C_{in} + C_{out}}$	1.9—2.0	1.0—1.1
At IF without external shield $\frac{g_m}{\sqrt{C_{in} \cdot C_{out}}}$	6.0—6.3	2.9—3.0

\* The following additions have been made for tube sockets and wiring capacitances to get total circuit capacitances under typical operating conditions:

At LF — 8  $\mu\mu F$ . At IF — 5  $\mu\mu F$  for input circuit and 3  $\mu\mu F$  for output circuit.

### OPERATION RANGE VALUES

	MIN	AVE	MAX	
Heater Voltage . . . . .	6.3			volts
Plate Supply Voltage . . . . .	125			volts
Grid No 2 Supply Voltage . . . . .	125			volts
Cathode Bias Resistor . . . . .	45			ohms
Heater Current . . . . .	410	450	490	ma
Plate Current . . . . .	20	24	30	ma
Grid No 2 Current . . . . .		7.5	13	ma
Transconductance . . . . .	28,000	34,000	40,000	$\mu mhos$
Transconductance, End of Life Point . . . . .	22,000			$\mu mhos$
I <sub>hk</sub> at E <sub>hk</sub> = ± 100 volts . . . . .			20	$\mu a$
Grid No 1 Current . . . . .			-.2	$\mu a$
Cutoff Plate Current at E <sub>c1</sub> = — 5 volts . . . . .			100	$\mu a$



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### TRIODE CHARACTERISTICS\*

(Grounded Grid Operation)

#### COLD CAPACITANCES (*without external shield*)

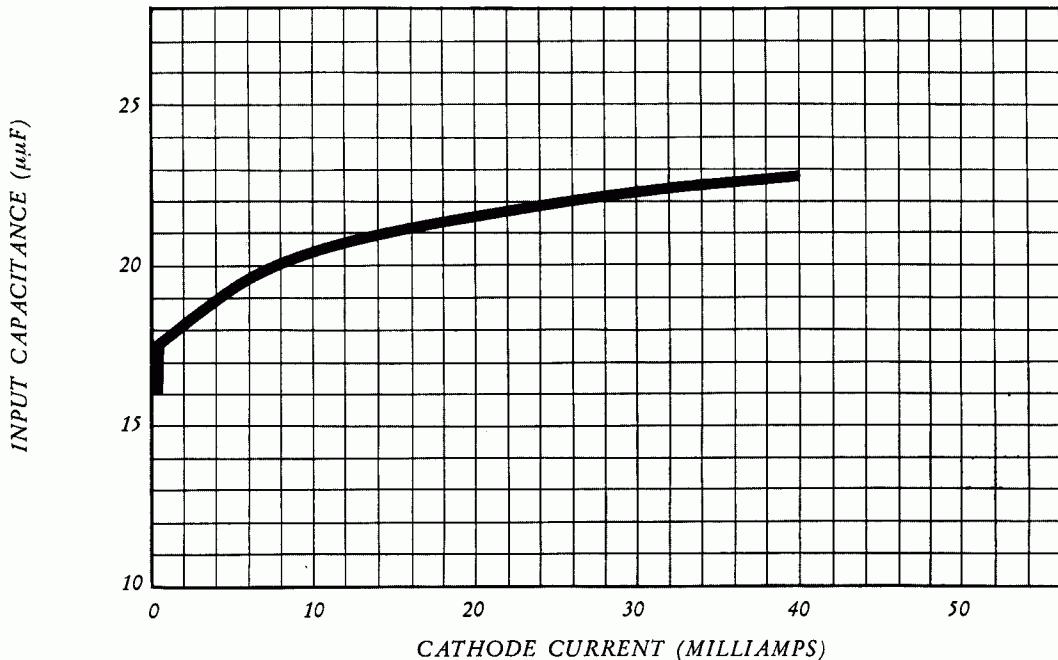
Plate and Grid No 2 to Cathode . . . . .	.6	$\mu\mu F$
Input (Cathode to Grid, Heater, Int. Shield) . . . . .	18	$\mu\mu F$
Output (Plate and Grid No 2 to Grid, Heater, Int. Shield) . . . . .	7	$\mu\mu F$

#### TYPICAL OPERATION. CLASS A<sub>1</sub>

Heater Voltage . . . . .	6.3	volts
Heater Current . . . . .	.45	amp
Plate Supply Voltage . . . . .	125	volts
Cathode Bias Resistor . . . . .	33	ohms
Plate Current . . . . .	35	ma
Transconductance . . . . .	47,000	$\mu\text{mhos}$
Amplification Factor . . . . .	35	
Equivalent Noise Resistance . . . . .	60	ohms

\* Grid No 2 connected to Plate.

#### SPECIAL DATA



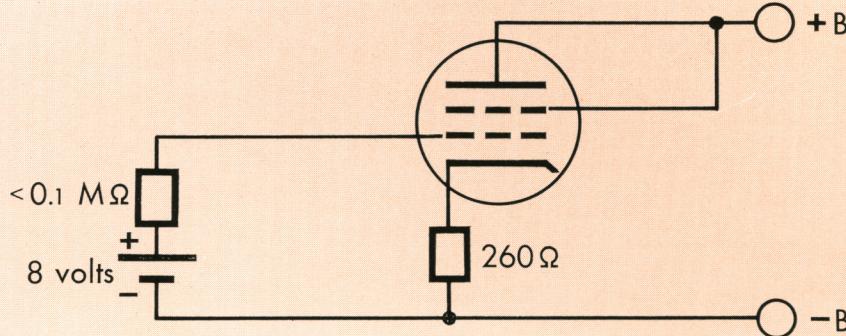
#### CAPACITANCES IN OPERATION:

Space-charge effects in electron current flow cause an increase in tube capacitances. Input capacitance as a function of cathode current is shown above.

For best value of figure of merit external shield should be excluded.

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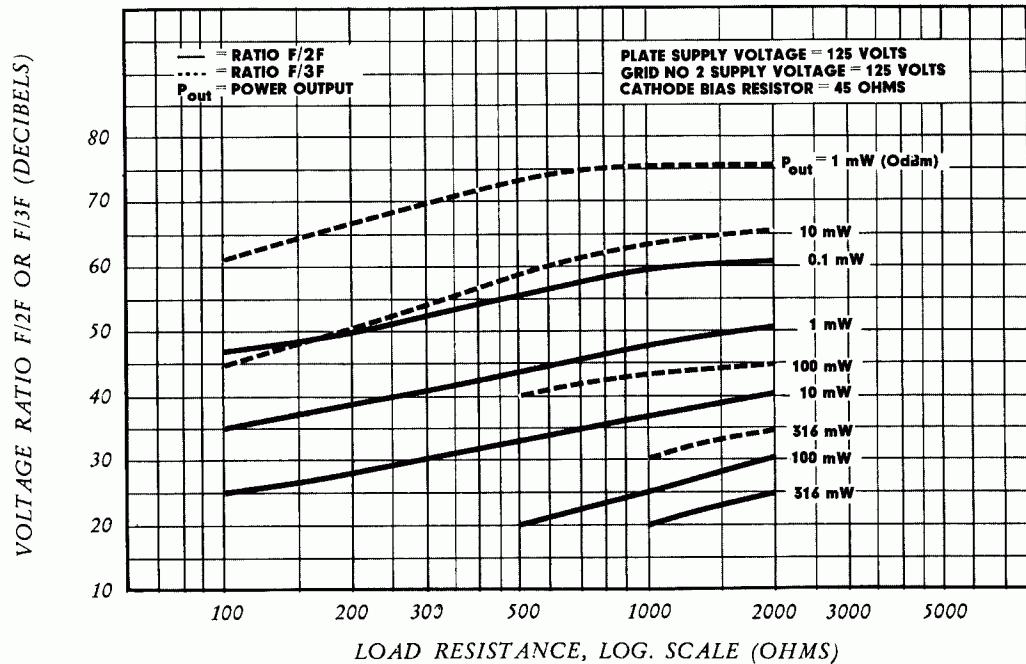
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## BIAS CONSIDERATIONS:

The operating characteristics of high transconductance tubes are sensitive to variations in manufacture. Because of this the use of a 260 ohm cathode resistance, in conjunction with a DC control grid return to a + 8.0 volt supply, is recommended.

To prevent burning out grid wires by removal of plate voltage when the + 8.0 volt bias is still applied, a limiting resistor of 10,000 ohms in series with the bias supply is suggested. Where the use of such a resistor is not practical, care should be taken to see that the grid bias is not applied before the plate and grid No 2 voltages.



## HARMONIC DISTORTION:

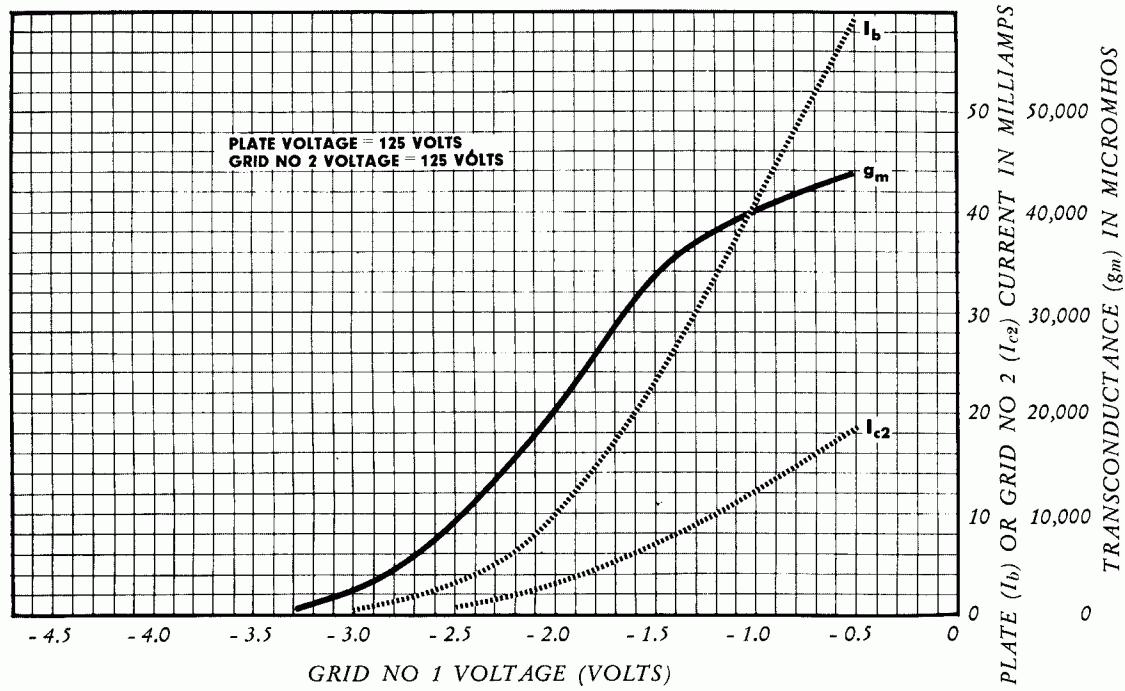
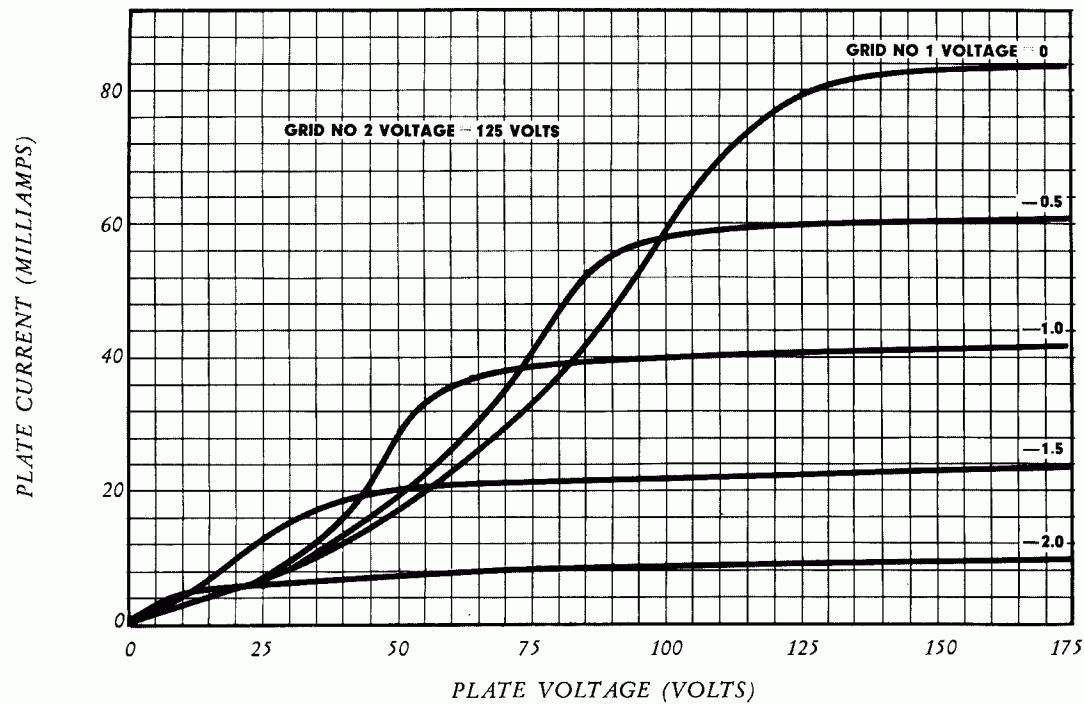
The voltage ratio between fundamental frequency (F), second harmonic (2F) and third harmonic (3F) as a function of the load resistance at different power outputs under typical operating conditions is shown.



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### AVERAGE CHARACTERISTICS



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PLATE CURRENT (MILLIAMPS)

