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# 502-A GAS THYRATRON

NEGATIVE-CONTROL TETRODE TYPE WITH METAL SHELL

## GENERAL DATA

### Electrical:

Heater, for Unipotential Cathode:

	Min.	Av.	Max.	
Voltage. . . . .	5.7	6.3	7	ac or dc volts
Current at 6.3 volts . . . . .	-	0.6	0.66	amp

Cathode:

Minimum heating time  
 prior to tube conduction . . . . . 10 sec

Direct Interelectrode Capacitances:

Grid No.1 to anode . . . . .	0.2	$\mu\text{f}$
Grid No.1 to cathode & shell, grid No.2, and heater . . . . .	2.5	$\mu\text{f}$

Ionization Time (Approx.) . . . . . 0.5  $\mu\text{sec}$

Deionization Time (Approx.):

For conditions: dc anode ma = 100,  
 grid-No.1-circuit resistor (ohms)  
 = 1000, and dc grid-No.1 supply  
 volts = -250 . . . . . 10  $\mu\text{sec}$

For conditions: dc anode ma = 100,  
 grid-No.1-circuit resistor (ohms)  
 = 1000, and dc grid-No.1 supply  
 volts = -15 . . . . . 150  $\mu\text{sec}$

Maximum Critical Grid-No.1 Current:

For conditions: anode volts (rms)  
 = 460, and dc grid-No.1 volts ad-  
 justed to cutoff . . . . . 2  $\mu\text{amp}$

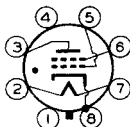
Anode Voltage Drop . . . . . 8 volts

### Mechanical:

Mounting Position . . . . .	Any
Maximum Overall Length . . . . .	2-5/8"
Seated Length. . . . .	1-31/32" $\pm$ 3/32"
Maximum Diameter . . . . .	1-5/16"
Weight (Approx.) . . . . .	2 oz
Bulb . . . . .	Metal Shell MT8G
Base . . . . .	Small-Wafer Octal 8-Pin (JETEC No. B8-21)

BOTTOM VIEW

- Pin 1 - No Connection
- Pin 2 - Heater
- Pin 3 - Anode
- Pin 4 - No Connection



- Pin 5 - Grid No.1
- Pin 6 - Grid No.2
- Pin 7 - Heater
- Pin 8 - Cathode, Shell

## RELAY and GRID-CONTROLLED RECTIFIER SERVICE

Maximum Ratings, Absolute Values:

PEAK ANODE VOLTAGE:

Forward. . . . .	180 max.	650 max.	volts
Inverse. . . . .	360 max.	1300 max.	volts

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GRID-No.2 (SHIELD-GRID)			
VOLTAGE:			
Peak, before tube			
conduction . . . . .	-100 max.	-100 max.	volts
Average <sup>■</sup> , during tube			
conduction . . . . .	-5 max.	-5 max.	volts
GRID-No.1 (CONTROL-GRID)			
VOLTAGE:			
Peak, before tube			
conduction . . . . .	-250 max.	-250 max.	volts
Average <sup>■</sup> , during tube			
conduction . . . . .	-10 max.	-10 max.	volts
CATHODE CURRENT:			
Peak . . . . .	1.0 max.	1.0 max.	amp
Average <sup>●</sup> . . . . .	0.2 max.	0.1 max.	amp
Fault, for duration of			
0.1 second max. . . . .	10 max.	10 max.	amp
GRID-No.2 CURRENT:			
Average <sup>■</sup> . . . . .	+0.01 max.	+0.01 max.	amp
GRID-No.1 CURRENT:			
Average <sup>■</sup> . . . . .	+0.01 max.	+0.01 max.	amp
PEAK HEATER-CATHODE VOLTAGE:			
Heater negative with			
respect to cathode . . .	100 max.	100 max.	volts
Heater positive with			
respect to cathode . . .	25 max.	25 max.	volts
AMBIENT-TEMPERATURE RANGE. . .			
	-55 to +90	-55 to +90	°C

■ Averaged over 1 cycle.

● Averaged over any interval of 30 seconds maximum.

*For Dimensional Outline, see GENERAL SECTION*

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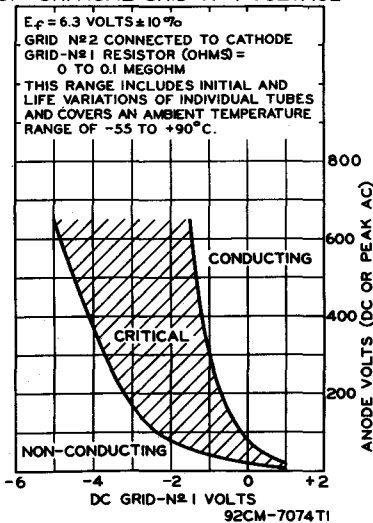


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## OPERATIONAL RANGE OF CRITICAL GRID-N<sub>2</sub>1 VOLTAGE



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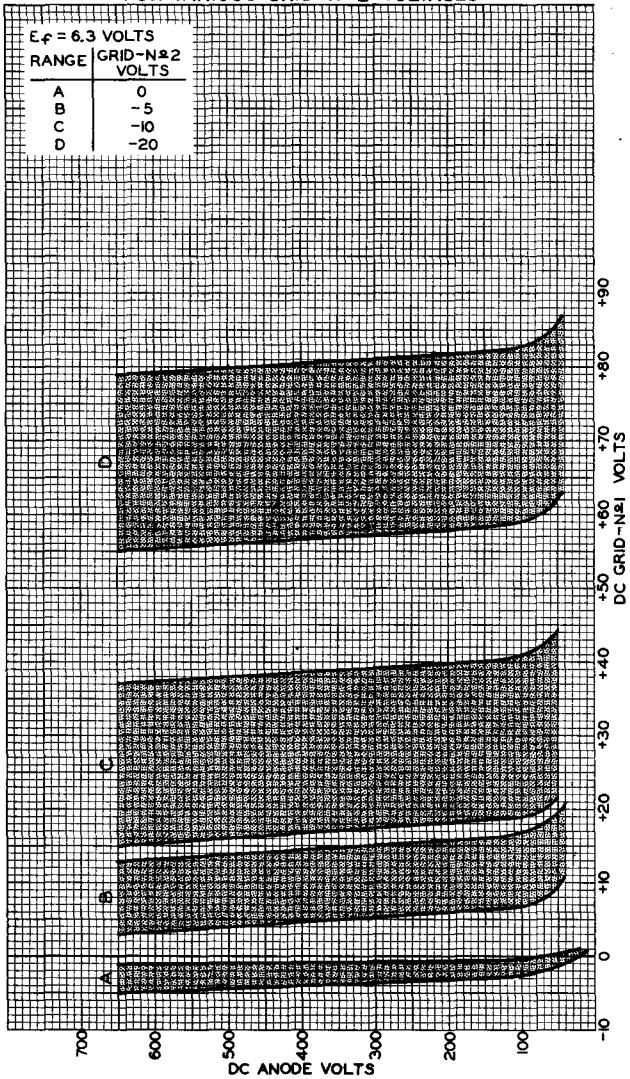
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# 502-A OPERATIONAL RANGES OF CRITICAL GRID-N<sub>1</sub> VOLTAGE FOR VARIOUS GRID-N<sub>2</sub> VOLTAGES

$E_f = 6.3$  VOLTS

RANGE	GRID-N <sub>2</sub> VOLTS
A	0
B	-5
C	-10
D	-20



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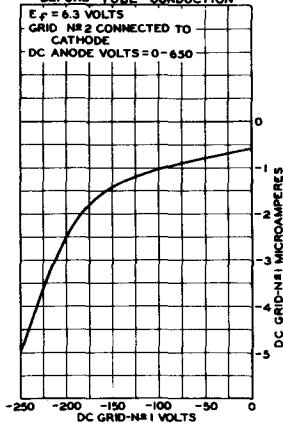


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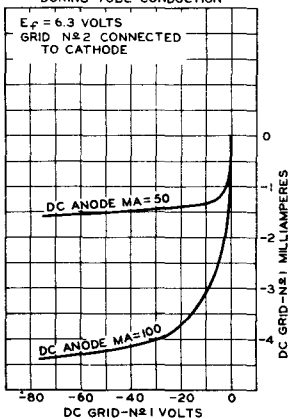
# CHARACTERISTIC CURVES

MAXIMUM GRID-Nº1  
CHARACTERISTIC  
BEFORE TUBE CONDUCTION



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AVERAGE GRID-Nº1  
CHARACTERISTICS  
DURING TUBE CONDUCTION



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