



# 12DT8

## HIGH-MU TWIN TRIODE

9-Pin Miniature Type

TENTATIVE DATA

This bulletin also applies to the 6DT8. Except for its 6.3-volt/0.3-ampere heater, the 6DT8 is like the 12DT8.

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RCA-12DT8 is a general-purpose high-mu twin triode of the 9-pin miniature type intended for use as an rf amplifier and as a combined oscillator-mixer in fm tuners. This tube is also useful in a wide variety of applications in radio and television receivers.

In the 12DT8, the two units are effectively isolated from each other by an internal shield having a separate base-pin terminal. As a result each unit will give stable performance when used in high-frequency applications. In addition, separate pin terminals for each cathode provide the equipment designer with greater flexibility of circuit connections.

### GENERAL DATA

#### Electrical:

Heater, for Unipotential Cathodes:  
 Voltage (AC or DC) . . . . . 12.6 volts  
 Current . . . . . 0.15 amp

Direct Interelectrode Capacitances  
 (Approx., with external shield):

	Unit No.1	Unit No.2	
Grid-Drive Operation <sup>o</sup> :			
Grid to plate . . . . .	1.6	1.6	μμf
Grid to cathode, heater, and internal shield . . . . .	2.7	2.7	μμf
Plate to cathode, heater, and internal shield . . . . .	1.6	1.6	μμf
Heater to cathode . . . . .	3.0	3.0	μμf
Cathode-Drive Operation: <sup>□</sup>			
Cathode to grid, heater, and internal shield . . . . .	-	5.3	μμf
Plate to grid, heater, and internal shield . . . . .	-	2.8	μμf

#### Cathode-Drive Operation:<sup>□</sup>

Cathode to grid, heater, and internal shield . . . . . - 5.3 μμf  
 Plate to grid, heater, and internal shield . . . . . - 2.8 μμf

#### Mechanical:

Operating Position . . . . . Any  
 Maximum Overall Length . . . . . 2-3/16"  
 Maximum Seated Length . . . . . 1-15/16"  
 Length, Base Seat to Bulb Top (Excluding tip) . . . . . 1-9/16" ± 3/32"  
 Maximum Diameter . . . . . 7/8"  
 Bulb . . . . . T-6-1/2  
 Base . . . . . Small-Button Noval 9-Pin (JETEC No.E9-1)

### AMPLIFIER - Class A<sub>1</sub>

Values are for Each Unit

#### Maximum Ratings, Design-Center Values:

PLATE VOLTAGE . . . . . 300 max. volts  
 GRID VOLTAGE:  
 Negative bias value . . . . . 50 max. volts  
 PLATE DISSIPATION . . . . . 2.5 max. watts  
 PEAK HEATER-CATHODE VOLTAGE:  
 Heater negative with respect to cathode . . . . . 200 max. volts  
 Heater positive with respect to cathode . . . . . 200<sup>•</sup> max. volts

#### Characteristics:

Plate-Supply Voltage . . . . . 100 250 volts  
 Cathode-Bias Resistor . . . . . 270 200 ohms  
 Amplification Factor . . . . . 60 60  
 Plate Resistance (Approx.) . . . . . 15000 10900 ohms  
 Transconductance . . . . . 4000 5500 μmhos  
 Plate Current . . . . . 3.7 10 ma  
 Grid Voltage (Approx.) for plate current of 10 μa . . . . . -5 -12 volts

#### Maximum Circuit Values:

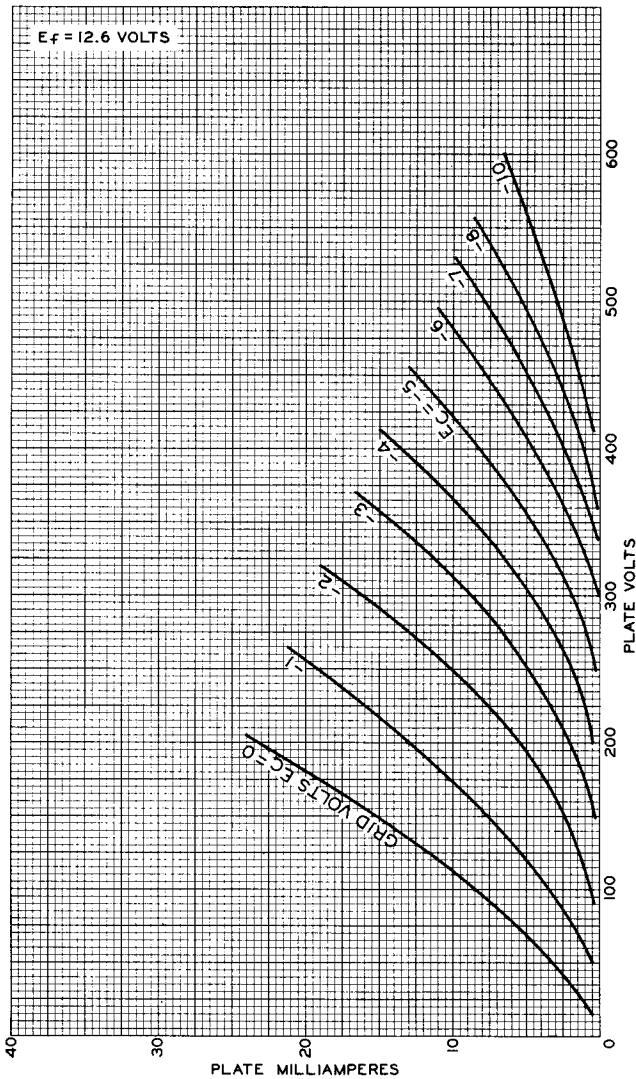
Grid-Circuit Resistance:  
 For fixed-bias operation . . . . . 0.25 max. megohm  
 For cathode-bias operation . . . . . 1 max. megohm

- <sup>o</sup> With external shield, JETEC No.315, connected to cathode of unit under test.
- <sup>□</sup> With external shield, JETEC No.315, connected to grid of unit under test.
- <sup>•</sup> DC component must not exceed 100 volts.

### OPERATING CONSIDERATIONS

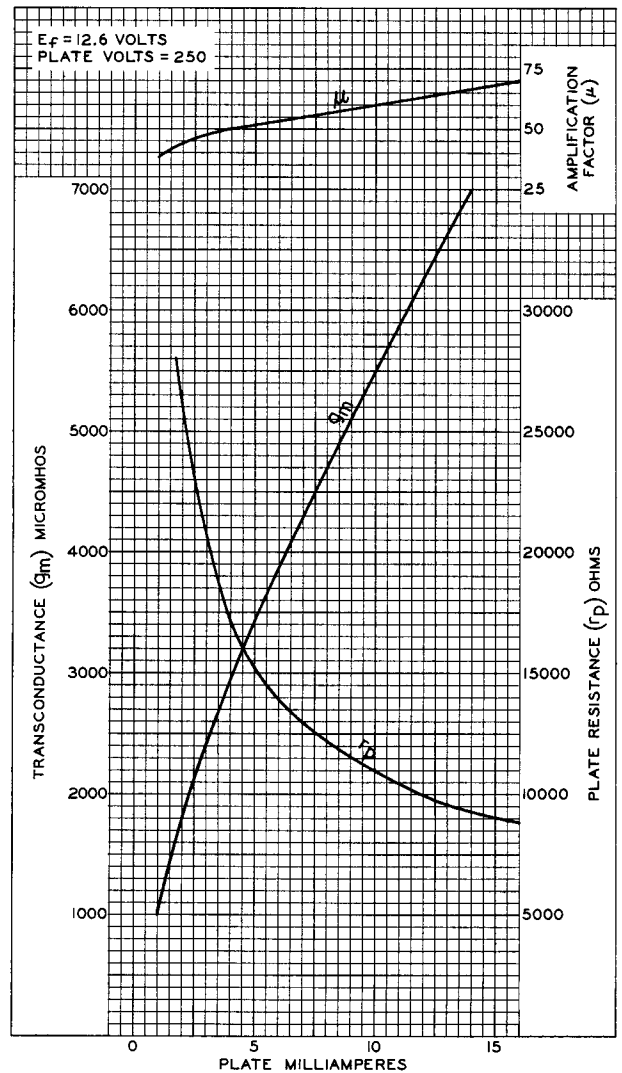
The *maximum ratings* in the tabulated data for the 12DT8 are working design-center maximums established according to the standard design-center system of rating electron tubes. Tubes so rated will give satisfactory performance in equipment designed so that these maximum ratings will not be exceeded when the equipment is operated from ac or dc power-line supplies whose normal voltage, including normal variations, falls within ± 10 percent of line-center voltage value of 117 volts.

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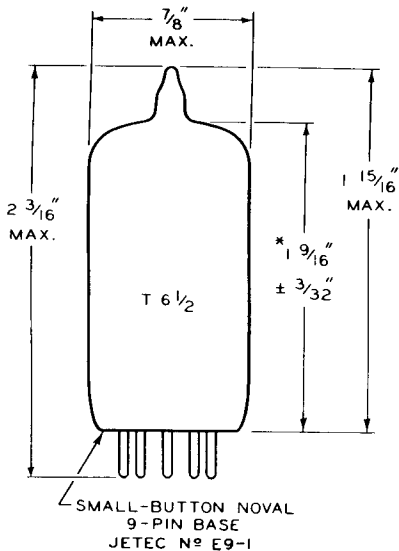
Fig. 1 - Average Plate Characteristics of Type 12DT8.



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Fig. 2 - Average Characteristics of Type 12DT8.

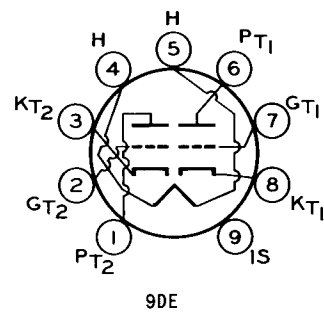
DIMENSIONAL OUTLINE



\* MEASURED FROM BASE SEAT TO BULB-TOP LINE AS DETERMINED BY RING GAUGE OF 7/16" I.D.

SOCKET CONNECTIONS

Bottom View



- PIN 1: PLATE OF TRIODE UNIT No.2
- PIN 2: GRID OF TRIODE UNIT No.2
- PIN 3: CATHODE OF TRIODE UNIT No.2
- PIN 4: HEATER
- PIN 5: HEATER
- PIN 6: PLATE OF TRIODE UNIT No.1
- PIN 7: GRID OF TRIODE UNIT No.1
- PIN 8: CATHODE OF TRIODE UNIT No.1
- PIN 9: INTERNAL SHIELD