

6136 PENTODE

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Five-Star Tube $\star\star\star\star\star$

FOR RF AND IF AMPLIFIER APPLICATIONS

SHARP-CUTOFF CHARACTERISTIC 7-PIN MINIATURE HIGH TRANSCONDUCTANCE SHOCK, VIBRATION RATINGS HEATER-CYCLING RATING PROTOTYPE-6AU6

DESCRIPTION AND RATING =

The 6136 is a miniature sharp-cutoff pentode designed primarily for use as a high gain radio-frequency or intermediate-frequency amplifier. Its low grid-plate capacitance and high transconductance make it especially suited for high-frequency wide-band applications. Analysis of the electrical characteristics of this tube with those of the 6AU6 will indicate that the 6136 is essentially similar.

The 6136 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.

GENERAL

ELECTRICAL

Cathode - Coated Unipotential

Heater Characteristics and Ratings

Heater Voltage, AC or DC* . . 6.3±0.6 Volts

Direct Interelectrode Capacitances

With Without Shield Shield

Grid-Number 1 to Plate: (gl to p), maximum .

0.0035 0.0035 pf

Input: g1 to (h + k + g2 + g3 + i.s.).

. . . . 6.5 6.0 pf

Output: p to (h + k + g2 +

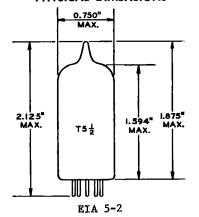
g3 + i.s.) 5.5 5.0 pf

MECHANICAL

Operating Position - Any Envelope - T-5 1/2, Glass Base - E7-1, Miniature Button 7-Pin Outline Drawing - EIA 5-2

Maximum Diameter 0.750 Inches Maximum Over-all Lenghth . . 2.125 Inches Maximum Seated Height . . . 1.875 Inches

PHYSICAL DIMENSIONS



TERMINAL CONNECTIONS

Pin 1 - Grid Number 1

Pin 2 - Grid Number 3 (Suppressor)

and Internal Shield

Pin 3 - Heater

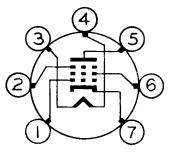
Pin 4 - Heater

Pin 5 - Plate

Pin 6 - Grid Number 2 (Screen)

Pin 7 - Cathode

BASING DIAGRAM



EIA 7BK



MAXIMUM RATINGS

ABSOLUT	E-MAXIMUM	VALUES
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Plate Voltage											•	330	Volts
Suppressor Voltage													Volts
Screen-Supply Voltage				•	•						•	330	Volts
Screen Voltage - See Screen Rating (Chart	:											
Positive DC Grid-Number 1 Voltage .												. 0	Volts
Negative DC Grid-Number 1 Voltage												. 50	Volts
DC Grid-Number 1 Current													Milliamperes
Plate Dissipation			•									3.3	Watts
Screen Dissipation													Watts
Heater-Cathode Voltage													
Heater Positive with Respect to C	Catho	ođe										100	Volts
Heater Negative with Respect to (Volts
Grid-Number 1 Circuit Resistance.													Megohms
Bulb Temperature at Hottest Point													c

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, AMPLIFIER

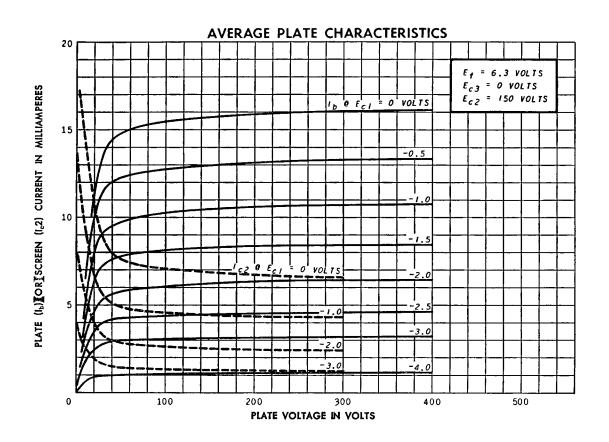
Plate Voltage	250	Volts
Suppressor, Connected to Cathode at Socket		
Screen Voltage	150	Volts
Cathode-Bias Resistor	68	Ohms
Plate Resistance, approximate	1.0	Megohms
Transconductance	5200	Micromhos
Plate Current	10.6	Milliamperes
Screen Current	4.3	Milliamperes
Grid-Number 1 Voltage, approximate		
Ib = 10 Microamperes	-6.5	Volts

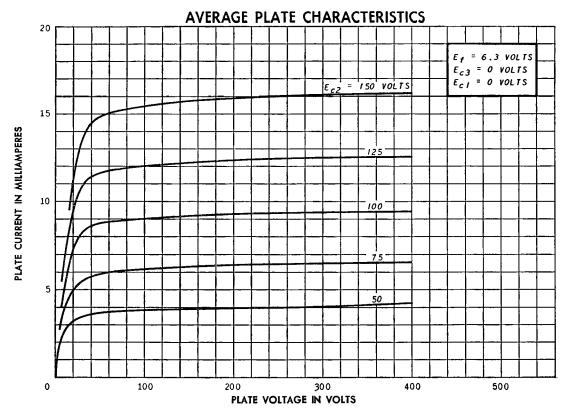
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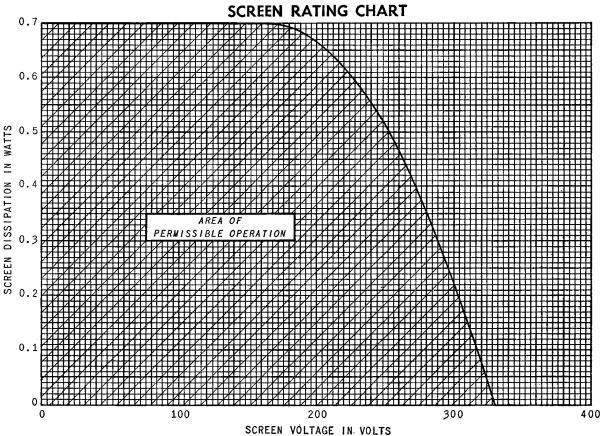
- * The equipment designer should design the equipment so that heater voltage is centered at the specified bogey value, with heater supply variations restricted to maintain heater voltage within the specified tolerance.
- # Heater current of a bogey tube at Ef = 6.3 volts.
- § With external shield (EIA 316) connected to cathode.

CLASS A RESISTANCE-COUPLED AMPLIFIER

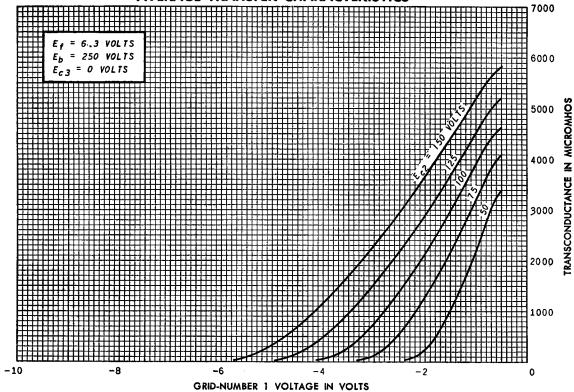
LOW IMPEDANCE DRIVE (APPROXIMATELY 200 OHMS)										Notes:				
RL	Rgf	Ebb :	= 90	Vol	ts	Ebb :	= 180	۷o	lts	Ebb	= 300) Vo	lts	 E_O is maximum RMS voltage output for approximately five percent total harmonic distortion.
	''gr	R _k	R _{c2}	Eo	Gain	R _k	R _{c2}	Εo	Gain	Rk	R _{c2}	Eo	Gain	
0.10	0.10	960	0.1	13	68	610	0.2	27	96	480	0.2	47	120	 Gain is measured for an output voltage of two volts RMS.
0.10	0.24	1000	0.2	16	93	630	0.2	35	130	480	0.2	60	160	
0.24	0.24	2900	0.3	12	88	1700	0.4	25	120	820	0.6	44	200	
0.24	0.51	3600	0.4	14	110	1800	0.5	31	170	960	0.7	53	240	 Coupling capacitors (C) should be selected to give desired frequency response. R_k and R_{C2}
0.51	0.51	5300	0.9	10	110	4000	0.9	23	160	2100	1.1	38	230	should be adequately by-passed.
0.51	1.0	4600	1.1	12	125	3800	1.1	25	200	1800	1.3	44	300	
HIGH IMPEDANCE DRIVE (APPROXIMATELY 100K OHMS)									0 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11					
RL	Raf	Ebb	= 90	۷o	lts	Ebb	= 180) V	olts	Ebb :	= 300	Vo	lts	
.,Г	··g1	R _k	R _{c2}	Eo	Gain	R _k	R _{c2}	Eo	Gain	Rk	R _{c2}	Eo	Gain	<mark>╢┞┈╟╩┼┼</mark> ┋╸┪╏╏
0.10	0.10	1000	0.2	13	70		0.2		100	380	0.2	47	130	\mathbb{E}_{sig}
0.10	0.24	1100	0.2	17	100	630	0.2	34	140	470	0.2	59	180	
0.24	0.24	1900	0.6	15	100	1100	0.7	29	170	890	0.7		210	
0.24	0.51	2200	0.7	17		1200	0.8	36	210	990	0.7	57	260	╢ ╽ ╏┈╒╶┰╙╎└ ╻ ┧╎╽╻
0.51	0.51	3000	1.6	17			1.8		200	1200	1.8		290	
0.51	1.0	3200	1.8	21	140	1800	2.0	41	240	1300	1.9	68	350	# # # # Cbb # #



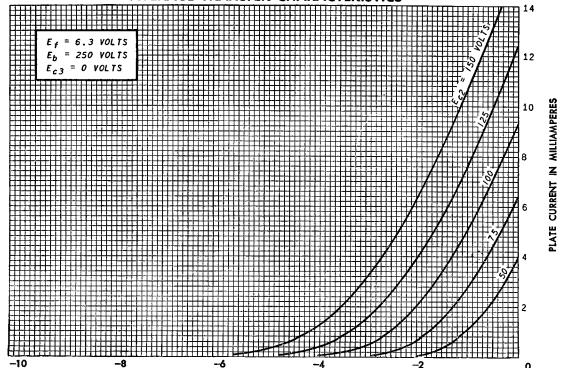




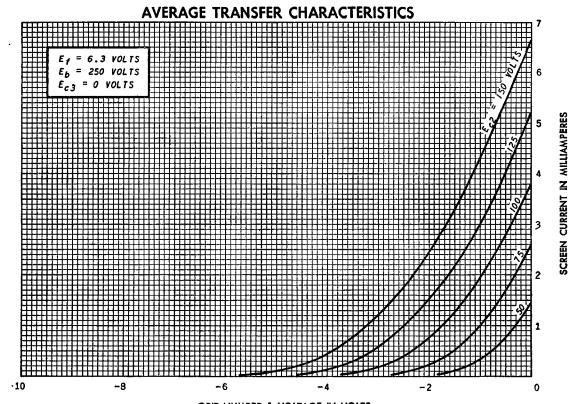








GRID-NUMBER 1 VOLTAGE IN VOLTS



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PERFORMANCE ASSURANCE SPECIFICATION

General Test Conditions

Heater Voltage Plate Voltage Cathode-Bias Resistor 6.3 V 250 Vdc 68 ohms Grid-Number 1 Voltage Grid-Number 2 Voltage Grid-Number 3 Voltage 0 Vdc 150 Vdc Note 1

For the purposes of inspection, use applicable paragraphs of MIL-E-1.

MIL-E-1	MODIFICATIONS TO GENERAL	AQL	INSP.				
REF.	TEST TEST CONDITIONS	%	LEVEL	Min.	Bogey	Max.	UNITS
	Measurements Acceptance Tests, Part 1, Note 2						
	Continuity and Short CircuitsNote 3(Inoperatives)	0.4	l li	• • •			
4.10.8	Heater Current	0.4	11	275	300	325	mA
4.10.8	Heater Current Variables Tests, Note 4						
4.10.15	Heater-Cathode Leakage, Ehk= ±100 Vdc	0.4	11			10	μAdc
4.10.6.1	Grid-Number 1 CurrentEc1 = -1.0 Vdc ; Rg1 = 0.25 Meg.	0.4	u	0		-1.0	μAdc
4.10.4.1	Plate Current (1)	0.4	II.	8.0	10.6	13.5	mAdc
4.10.4.1	Plate Current (1)Variables Tests, Note 5						
4.10.4.1	Plate Current (2) Ec1 = -9 Vdc; Rp=0.1 Meg.	0.4	l II			35	μAdc
4.10.4.3	Screen-Grid Current	0.4	u	2.6	4.3	6.0	mAdc
4.10.4.3	Screen-Grid CurrentVariables Tests, Note 6						
4.10.9	Transconductance (1)Ck=1000 µf	0.4	II	4150	5200	6250	μmhos
4.10.9	Transconductance (1)Ck = 1000 µf Variables Tests, Note 7	•••					
<i>4.</i> 9.1	Mechanical Outline 6-2						

PERFORMANCE ASSURANCE SPECIFICATION (Continued)

MIL-E-1	TEST MODIFICATIONS TO GENERAL	AQL	INSP.		LIMITS		LIMITE	
REF.	TEST TEST CONDITIONS	%	LEVEL	Min.	Bogey	Max.	UNITS	
4.8	Measurements Acceptance Tests, Part 2 Insulation of ElectrodesNote 8 g1-all p-all	2.5	L6	100 100		-:-	Meg Meg	
4.10.4.1	Plate Current (3)Ec1 = -6 Vdc; Rp=0.5 Meg	2.5	1	5.0		•••	μAdc	
4.10.9	Transconductance (2)Ef = 5.7 V; Ck = 1000 μf; Note 9	2.5				15	%	
4.10.6.2	Grid Emission	2.5	4	0		-2.0	μAdc	
4.10.3.1	Radio-Frequency NoiseEca1 = 15 mVac; (Other than shot-effect noise) $Ec1 = -1.0 \text{ Vdc}$; Rk = 0; Note 11	2.5	l					
4.10.3.4	Noise and Microphonics Ef = 6.3 Vdc; Ebb = 300 Vdc; Ecc2 = 300 Vdc; Eca1 = 500 mVac; Rk = 1000 ohms; Rp = 0.22 Meg; Rg2 = 0.5 Meg; Ck = 1000 \mu f; Cg2 = 2 \mu f, Note 12	2.5						
4.10.14	CapacitanceGrid 1 to PlateNo Shield InputNo Shield OutputNo Shield	6.5	Code E	4.8 3.9	6.0 4.9	0.0035 7.2 5.9	μμ f μμ f μμ f	
4.9.12.1	Low-Pressure Pressure = 55 ± 5 Voltage Breakdown mm Hg; Voltage = 500 Vac	6.5	Note 15					
4.9.19.1	Low-Frequency Vibration (2) Rp = 2000 ohms; Ck = 1000 μ f; G = 10; F = 40 cps	6.5	Code !			300	mVac	

PERFORMANCE ASSURANCE SPECIFICATION (Continued)

MIL-E-1	MODIFICATIONS TO GENERAL			INSP.				
REF.		T CONDITIONS	AQL %	LEVEL	Min.	Bogey	Max.	UNITS
4.9.20.5	Degradation-Rate Accepta Shock							
4.9.20.6	Fatigue	G=2.5; Fixed Frequency; F=25 min., 60 max.	6.5	Note 15				
	Post-Shock and Fatigue- Test End Points	Vibration (2) Heater-Cathode Leakage	•••	• • •			450	mVac
		Ehk = +100 Vdc Ehk = -100 Vdc Transconductance			3600		30 30 	μAdc μAdc μmhos
		(1) Grid-Number 1 Current					-2.0	μAdc
4.9.6.1	Miniature-Tube Base-Strain							
4.9.6.3	Glass Strain		2.5	1			<u>.</u>	

MIL-E-1	TEST MODIFICATIONS TO GENERAL	AQL	DEFEC	WABLE TS PER CTERISTIC	LIA	UNITS	
REF.	TEST CONDITIONS	%	1st Sample	Com- bined Sample	Min.	Max.	
	Acceptance Life Tests, Note 13				İ		
4.11.7	Heater Cycling Life Test . Ef = 7.5 V; Ehk = +135 Vdc; Ec1 = Ec2 = Eb = 0	1.0		,			
4.11.4	Heater Cycling LifeHeater-Cathode Test End Points Leakage Ehk = +100 Vdc Ehk = -100 Vdc		• • • •	••••		20 20	μAdc μAdc
4.11.3.1	Stability Life TestEb=300 Vdc; Ehk=+135 Vdc; Rk=80 ohms; TA=Room; Note 16	1.0	Code I				
	Stability Life Test EndChange in Transconduct- Points (2 and 20 hours) ance (1) of individual tubes					10	%
	Survival-Rate Life TestStability life test condi- tions or equivalent; Note 17		11				

PERFORMANCE ASSURANCE SPECIFICATION (Continued)

MIL-E-1	TEST	MODIFICATIONS TO GENERAL TEST	AQL	DEFEC CHAR	WABLE TS PER ACTER- TIC	Lin	UNITS	
REF.	1231	CONDITIONS	%	1st Sample	Com- bined Sample	Min.	Max.	,
	Acceptance Life Tests	, Note 13 (Continued)			<u>, </u>	<u></u>		İ
4.11.4	Life Test End Points (100 hours)	. Continuity and Shorts (Inoperatives) Trans- conductance (1)	0.65 1.0			3600		μ mhos
4.11.5	Intermittent Life Test Operation	. Stability life test conditions; T (envelope) = 165 C min.						, minios
4.11.4	Life TestNote 18 End Points (500 hours)	.Inoperatives Note 19 Grid-Number 1 Current Heater Current Change in Transconduct- ance (1) of individual		1 1 1 1	3 3 3 3	0 275	-1.0 330 20	μAdc mA %
	tubes Transcon Heater-C Ehk = Ehk =			1	3		15	%
		Ehk = +100 Vdc Ehk = -100 Vdc Insulation of Electrodes	• • •	1	3		10 10	μAdc μAdc
		Note 8 g1-all p-all Transconductance (1)		1	3	60 60	 15	Meg Meg %
		(average change) Total Defectives		3	6			
	Life TestNote 18 End Points (1000 hours)	Inoperatives Note 19 Grid-Number 1 Current Heater Current Change in Transconduct- ance (1) of individual		1 1 1 1	3 3 3 3	0 275	-1.0 333 25	μAdc mA %
		tubes Transconductance (2) Heater-Cathode Leakage		1	3		20	%
		Ehk = +100 Vdc Ehk = -100 Vdc Insulation of Electrodes	• • •	1	3		20 20	μAdc μAdc
		Note 8 g1-all p-all Total Defectives		1 4	3 8	50 50		Meg Meg
4.11.8	Cathode Interface Life TestNote 20					500		hr
	Life TestNote 21 End Points	Ef=5.7 ±0.05 V; Eb= Ec2 = Ec3 = 90 Vdc; Ec1/ Ib=2.0 mAdc; Rk=0		1	3		50	ohms

- Note 1: Tie Grid-Number 3 to negative terminal of cathode resistor.
- Note 2: The AQL for the combined defectives for attributes in Measurements Acceptance Tests, Part 1, excluding Inoperatives and mechanical, shall be 1.0 percent. A tube having one or more defects shall be counted as one defective.
- Note 3: Tubes shall be tested for continuity of all possible circuits including shell, base, base sleeve, shield, and duplicate pin connections to the same electrode; for short-circuits between the tube elements or between the elements and the no-connection base pins; and for air leaks.

During both continuity and short-circuit testing, the tube under test shall be tapped at least three times in each of two planes 90 degrees and 120 degrees apart with a tapper, which shall be adjusted to give an impulse of approximately one-half sine wave of 300 ± 50 microseconds duration, as measured 10 percent from the base, and having a minimum average amplitude equivalent to 80 G's peak acceleration for T-5½ and larger tubes, and 40 G's peak acceleration for tubes smaller than the T-5½ bulb size.

During tapping, the tube shall be supported only by the socket and light finger or soft-cushioned mechanical pressure on the dome of the bulb. The finger or mechanical pressure on the dome of the bulb shall be used only when necessary to prevent the tube from coming out of the socket and shall be so applied that it offers negligible restraint to lateral motion at the top of the bulb.

The tap blows shall be delivered to the tube approximately two-thirds up on the seated height.

The tapper impulse shall be measured with a Gulton Mfg. Co. Type A-305 accelerometer mounted in a standard production type (replaceable cap and clips) 7-pin socket and having no other support. The tap blows shall be delivered to the accelerometer at the approximate midpoint of its seated height and in a direction parallel to the plane of maximum sensitivity of the accelerometer. The output of the accelerometer shall be coupled through a cathode follower and low-pass filter-amplifier combination to a suitably calibrated oscilloscope. The low-pass filter shall have a minimum high-frequency cutoff at 5000 cycles per second. The Gulton KA-1 test set on 5 Kc filter position possesses appropriate characteristics.

The tube under test shall be connected to the short-circuit test equipment in such a manner that a specified minimum sensitivity is maintained between all elements in a single section of a tube, but like elements in the sections of a multi-section tube may be paralleled, provided the mechanical assembly of the tube structure is such that the possibility of short-circuits between sections is remote. Except for heater to cathode, a short-circuit shall be defined as an equivalent resistance between adjacent elements which persists for a period of time in excess of that determined by a limiting curve of resistance-versus-time duration passing through the following points: 600,000 ohms, constant value (permanent short-circuits); 500,000 ohms, 500 microseconds; 100,000 ohms, 100 microseconds; and 1000 ohms, 60 microseconds. For heater to cathode, the minimum sensitivity shall be 10 percent of the above resistance value.

The maximum voltage between adjacent elements during short test shall be 70 Vdc, and the minimum shall be 20 Vdc.

Tubes which give an indication of one or more of the following shall be rejected as inoperable.

- (a) Either a permanent or tap short-circuit at any time during the tapping procedure.
- (b) Any open circuit.
- (c) Air leaks (see 4.7.6).

Note 4: Variables test conducted in accordance with Par. 4.1.1.7, MIL-E-1, with limits as follows:

LAL = 289 mA UAL = 311 mA ALD = 22 mA

Note 5: Variables test conducted in accordance with Par. 4.1.1.7, MIL-E-1, with limits as follows:

LAL = 9.1 mAdc UAL = 12.1 mAdc ALD = 3.3 mAdc

Note 6: Variables test conducted in accordance with Par. 4.1.1.7, MIL-E-1, with limits as follows:

LAL = 3.5 mAdc UAL = 5.1 mAdc ALD = 1.6 mAdc

Note 7: Variables test conducted in accordance with Par. 4.1.1.7, MIL-E-1, with limits as follows:

LAL = 4700 μ mhos UAL = 5700 μ mhos ALD = 1100 μ mhos

Note 8: Measure at a potential of 100 volts grid-to-all and 300 volts plate-to-all.

Note 9: Transconductance (2) is the percentage change in Transconductance (1) of an individual tube resulting from the change in Ef.

Note 10: Prior to the Grid-Emission Test, tube shall be preheated five minutes at conditions indicated below. Test immediately after preheating. Grid-Emission shall be the last test performed on the sample selected for the Grid-Emission Test.

Ef	Eb	Ec1	Ec2	Ec3	Rk	Rg1
٧	Vdc	Vdc	Vdc	Vdc	ohms	Meg
7.5	300	0	150	0	80	0.5

Note 11: In addition to the rejection criteria of Par. 4.10.3.1, MIL-E-1, the output shall be read on a VU meter using a rejection limit of 5VU. Five VU is the meter deflection obtained with a steady state output of 3 mW from the amplifier.

Note 12: The rejection level shall be set at the VU meter reading obtained during calibration.

Note 13: Destructive Tests:

Tubes subjected to the following destructive tests are not to be accepted under this specification.

4.9.20.5 Shock Test 4.9.20.6 Fatique Test

4.11.5 Intermittent Life Test Operation

4.11.7 Heater-Cycling Life Test

4.11.8 Cathode Interface Life Test

Note 14: A grid resistor of 0.1 megohm shall be added; however, this resistor will not be used when a thyratron-type short-circuit indicator is employed.

Note 15: This test shall be conducted on the initial lot and thereafter on a lot approximately every 30 days. When one lot has passed, the 30-day rule shall apply. In the event of lot failure, the lot shall be rejected and the succeeding lots shall be subject to this test until a lot passes. MIL-STD-105, sample size code letter F shall apply.

Note 16: Stability life test differs from Par. 4.11.3.1 of MIL-E-1 in the following manner:

- 1. Regular Stability Life Test
 - The regular stability life test sample shall be operated at specified stability life test conditions or equivalent for 20 ± 4 hours with an intermediate down-period reading point at 2 hours (± 30 minutes). Intermittent or continuous operation may be used. The regular stability life test shall be in effect initially and shall continue in effect until eligibility criteria for the reduced hours stability life test have been met.
- 2. Reduced Hours Stability Life Test
 - a. Eligibility for reduced hours stability life test shall be as follows: no lot failure due to the regular stability life test has occurred in the preceding five consecutive lots.
 - b. Reduced hours stability life test shall be conducted for $2 \pm \frac{1}{2}$ hours. Acceptance shall be based on the stability life-test end-point limit. One lot failing the reduced hours stability life test shall result in loss of eligibility for the reduced hours stability life test.
 - c. The stability life test sample from the first-lot accepted each month shall continue on stability life test to the 20 ± 4 hours duration. Failure of this sample to meet the regular stability life test end-point limit shall result in loss of eligibility for the reduced hours stability life test.
- Note 17: Survival rate life test sampling and testing procedures are in accordance with paragraphs 20.2.5.2 through 20.2.5.2.4, Appendix C, MIL-E-1, with the following exceptions:
 - 1. Under Par. 20.2.5.2.3, the criterion for specification of a defective tube shall not be Par. 4.7.5, MIL-E-1, but Note 3, above.
 - Paragraph 20.2.5.2.4 (b) is replaced by the following: tubes shall be subjected at 100 hours to the continuity and short test under the same conditions as for the initial test. When any tap-short indication is obtained, the test shall be repeated. When any short indication is again obtained, the tube shall be rejected as inoperable.
- Note 18: Order for evaluation of life-test defects: see 4.11.3.1.2, MIL-E-1.
- Note 19: An inoperative as referenced in life test is defined as a tube having one or more of the following defects: discontinuity (see Note 3 except tube shall not be tapped), permanent short (see Note 3 except tube shall not be tapped), and air leaks. (See 4.7.6, MIL-E-1).
- Note 20: The interface life-test sample shall consist of 20 tubes, and not more than one failure shall be permitted. In the event of rejection of the first sample due to failure of more than one tube, a second sample of 40 tubes shall be selected from the lot. Acceptance shall be based on the combined first and second samples. The total tube failures from the combined first and second samples shall not exceed three. A life test defect is defined as a failure to meet the life test end-point limits as specified on the tube specification sheet. The interface life-test sample shall be read at 500, plus 48, minus 24 hours.

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Note 21: No other test shall be made from the start of the interface life test until after the measurement of the end-point characteristic following completion of the indicated minimum number of life-test hours.

For the information and guidance of the tube user, this specification presents inspection criteria used at the plant of manufacture. It is subject to change without notice. Military equipment manufacturers who wish to determine the availability of tubes tested in accordance with MIL-E-1 specifications applicable to this or similar types should consult their nearest General Electric tube sales office.

