



ELECTRONIC TUBE REFERENCE

5590

Voltage - Pentode electronic tube

CONSOLIDATED TECHNICAL DATA

1 SECTION
CONSTRUCTION
PENTODE

Long-life RF pentode designed for amplifier service from low through very high frequencies, including operation from comparatively low supply voltages.

GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

BASE DESIGNATION	E7-1	BASE PINS	7
NOMINAL HEATER	6.3 V / 150 mA	PARALLEL HEATER	– / –
HEATING	Indirect	SERIES OPERATION	Not specified
CATHODE ARRANGEMENT	Separate cathodes	SECTION CONSTRUCTION	Similar

SECTION RATINGS

SECTION 1 Pentode	
PLATE RESISTANCE	450000 Ω
TRANSCONDUCTANCE	0.002 S
MAXIMUM PLATE VOLTAGE	180 V
MAXIMUM SCREEN VOLTAGE	140 V
MAXIMUM PLATE DISSIPATION	1.7 W
MAXIMUM SCREEN DISSIPATION	0.5 W
MAXIMUM CATHODE CURRENT	18 mA
<i>Promoted fields mapped from printed maximum-rating and characteristic headings; additional published values preserved in parameter rows.</i>	

RF amplifier pentode designed for low supply voltages and operation from low through very high frequencies.

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1965 Ericsson Longlife

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1965 ERICSSON LONGLIFE

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OTHER		
PARAMETER	PUBLISHED VALUE	CONDITION / NOTE
Plate supply voltage	45 V	ClassA
Screen-grid supply voltage	45 V	ClassA
Cathode bias resistor	390 0hm	ClassA
Plate current	2.7 mA	ClassA
Screen-grid current	0.8 mA	ClassA
Plate supply voltage	90 V	ClassA
Screen-grid supply voltage	90 V	ClassA
Cathode bias resistor	820 0hm	ClassA
Plate current	3.9 mA	ClassA
Screen-grid current	1.2 mA	ClassA
Plate supply voltage	120 V	ClassA
Screen-grid supply voltage	120 V	ClassA
Plate current	5 mA	ClassA
Transconductance minimum	1500 uS	Va=90V;Vg2=90V
Transconductance maximum	2500 uS	Va=90V;Vg2=90V

CHARACTERISTICS		
PARAMETER	PUBLISHED VALUE	CONDITION / NOTE
Transconductance	1900 uS	ClassA;Va=45V;Vg2=45V
Plate resistance	0.3 MOhm	ClassA;Va=45V;Vg2=45V
Transconductance	2000 uS	ClassA;Va=90V;Vg2=90V
Plate resistance	0.45 MOhm	ClassA;Va=90V;Vg2=90V
Transconductance	2200 uS	ClassA;Va=120V;Vg2=120V

PARAMETER	PUBLISHED VALUE	CONDITION / NOTE
Plate resistance	0.5 M0hm	ClassA;Va=120V;Vg2=120V



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CHARACTERISTICS		
PARAMETER	PUBLISHED VALUE	CONDITION / NOTE
Heater voltage	6.3 V	—
Heater current	150 mA	—
Plate resistance	820 ohm	—
Transconductance	1900 uS	—

OTHER		
PARAMETER	PUBLISHED VALUE	CONDITION / NOTE
Maximum plate voltage	200 V	—
Maximum screen voltage	155 V	—
Maximum plate dissipation	1.85 W	—
Low-voltage plate and screen operating point	45 V	—



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2026 Western Electric Other

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2026 WESTERN ELECTRIC OTHER

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OTHER		
PARAMETER	PUBLISHED VALUE	CONDITION / NOTE
Heater Voltage	6.3 V	General characteristics
Heater Current	150 mA	General characteristics
Plate Voltage Maximum	180 V	Design-center value
Screen Voltage Maximum	140 V	Design-center value
Plate Dissipation Maximum	1.7 W	Design-center value
Screen Dissipation Maximum	0.5 W	Design-center value
Cathode Current Maximum	18 mA	Design-center value
Heater-Cathode Voltage Maximum	90 V	Design-center value
Bulb Temperature Maximum	120 degC	Design-center value
Plate Voltage	45 V	ClassA; operating column 1
Screen Grid Voltage	45 V	ClassA; operating column 1
Control Grid Voltage	-1.5 V	ClassA; operating column 1
Plate Voltage	90 V	ClassA; operating column 2
Screen Grid Voltage	90 V	ClassA; operating column 2
Control Grid Voltage	-5 V	ClassA; operating column 2
Plate Voltage	90 V	ClassA; cathode-bias operating column
Screen Grid Voltage	90 V	ClassA; cathode-bias operating column
Cathode Bias Resistor	820 ohm	ClassA; cathode-bias operating column
Plate Voltage	120 V	ClassA; operating column 4
Screen Grid Voltage	120 V	ClassA; operating column 4
Control Grid Voltage	-7 V	ClassA; operating column 4

CAPACITANCE		
PARAMETER	PUBLISHED VALUE	CONDITION / NOTE
Grid-to-Plate Capacitance Maximum	0.01 pF	With external shield RMA #316
Input Capacitance	3.4 pF	With external shield RMA #316
Output Capacitance	2.9 pF	With external shield RMA #316

CHARACTERISTIC		
PARAMETER	PUBLISHED VALUE	CONDITION / NOTE
Plate Current	3 mA	ClassA; operating column 1
Screen Grid Current	1.1 mA	ClassA; operating column 1
Plate Resistance	0.29 megohm	ClassA; operating column 1
Transconductance	2000 uS	ClassA; operating column 1
Plate Current	3.9 mA	ClassA; operating column 2
Screen Grid Current	1.3 mA	ClassA; operating column 2
Plate Resistance	0.45 megohm	ClassA; operating column 2
Transconductance	2000 uS	ClassA; operating column 2
Plate Current	4.3 mA	ClassA; cathode-bias operating column
Screen Grid Current	1.4 mA	ClassA; cathode-bias operating column
Plate Resistance	0.41 megohm	ClassA; cathode-bias operating column
Transconductance	2100 uS	ClassA; cathode-bias operating column
Plate Current	5.1 mA	ClassA; operating column 4
Screen Grid Current	1.8 mA	ClassA; operating column 4
Plate Resistance	0.41 megohm	ClassA; operating column 4
Transconductance	2200 uS	ClassA; operating column 4

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