

**TRIODE
AMPLIFIER, OSCILLATOR OR MODULATOR**

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DESCRIPTION

The 357B is a three-electrode tube designed for use as a radio-frequency amplifier or oscillator, audio-frequency amplifier or modulator. The anode is capable of dissipating 400 watts. The tube is cooled by radiation at frequencies below 40 megacycles.

Forced-air cooling of the envelope is necessary at higher frequencies. The tube is capable of operating up to 100 megacycles at maximum ratings and up to 150 megacycles at reduced ratings. The cathode is a thoriated tungsten filament.

MAXIMUM RATINGS

D-C Plate Voltage	4000 volts
D-C Plate Current	0.500 ampere
Continuous Plate Dissipation	400 watts
D-C Grid Current	0.100 ampere



GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

ELECTRICAL DATA

	Min.	Bogey	Max.
Filament Voltage	9.5	10.0	10.5 volts
Filament Current at Bogey Voltage	9.7	10.0	10.5 amperes
Filament Starting Current			50 amperes
Filament Resistance, Cold		0.12	ohm
Amplification Factor			
Conditions: $I_b = 200$ ma, $E_b = 2$ kv	27	30	34
Interelectrode Capacitances			
Grid-Plate	3.5	4.25	5.0 uuf
Grid-Filament	10.0	11.5	13.0 uuf
Plate-Filament	2.0	2.5	4.0 uuf
Maximum Usable Cathode Current ¹			2.5 amperes

MECHANICAL DATA

Mounting Position	Vertical, plate terminal up
Type of Cooling ²	Radiation or forced-air
Required Air Flow on Envelope	
When Operated Above 40 Megacycles	40 cfm
Maximum Incoming Air Temperature	45 centigrade
Maximum Glass Temperature	200 centigrade
Shock and Vibration	
Ruggedness ³ (duration of 5 milliseconds)	50 G
Natural Frequency of Elements	
Plate	100 cycles
Filament-Grid Structure	75 cycles
Net Weight, approximate	13 ounces

1. Represents maximum usable cathode current for tube as plate current plus grid current for any condition of operation.

2. Radiation cooling is adequate when the tube is operated below 40 megacycles and with a free circulation of air around the tube. If operated in a confined space or at a frequency above 40 megacycles, forced-air cooling is necessary. Satisfactory air cooling will be obtained from a blower delivering approximately 40 cubic feet of air per minute from a 2-inch diameter nozzle. The nozzle outlet should be placed approximately 3 inches from the

tube and directed toward the central point of the envelope, midway between the plate and grid terminals.

The plate terminal connector shall be of a design that will readily conduct heat from the plate terminal.

3. This test is equivalent to a JAN-1A Pendulum Bump Tester 15² test. The data given represent the maximum capabilities of the tube without electrical potentials applied and should not be construed to mean that the tube is capable of withstanding an infinite number of shocks of this magnitude.

MAXIMUM RATINGS AND TYPICAL OPERATING CONDITIONS**AUDIO-FREQUENCY POWER AMPLIFIER AND MODULATOR—CLASS B****MAXIMUM RATINGS, ABSOLUTE VALUES**

	CCS
D-C Plate Voltage	4000 volts
Signal D-C Plate Current ⁴	0.50 ampere
Signal Plate Input ⁴	1100 watts
Plate Dissipation ⁴	400 watts

TYPICAL OPERATION

Unless otherwise specified, values are for 2 tubes

	CCS	CCS	CCS ⁵
D-C Plate Voltage	2000	3500	3000 volts
D-C Grid Voltage	-50	-110	-85 volts
Peak A-F Grid-to-Grid Voltage	490	520	345 volts
Zero Signal D-C Plate Current	0.160	0.120	0.120 ampere
Maximum Signal D-C Plate Current	1.00	0.72	0.43 ampere
Effective Load Resistance, Plate-to-Plate	4360	11500	14700 ohms
Maximum Signal Driving Power, approximate	50.0	35.0	13.5 watts
Maximum Signal Power Output	1400	1840	850 watts

RADIO-FREQUENCY POWER AMPLIFIER—CLASS B

Carrier conditions per tube for use with maximum modulation factor of 1.0

MAXIMUM RATINGS, ABSOLUTE VALUES

	CCS
D-C Plate Voltage	4000 volts
D-C Plate Current	0.275 ampere
Plate Input	550 watts
Plate Dissipation	400 watts

TYPICAL OPERATION

	CCS	CCS
D-C Plate Voltage	2000	3500 volts
D-C Grid Voltage	-60	-125 volts
Peak R-F Grid Voltage	135	136 volts
D-C Plate Current	0.260	0.150 ampere
D-C Grid Current, approximate	0.100	0.001 ampere
Driving Power, approximate ⁶	25	8.5 watts
Power Output, approximate	175	190 watts

4. Averaged over any audio-frequency cycle of sine wave form.

5. As high level modulator for 1000 watt transmitter. Total harmonics approximately 1.5% at full output.

6. At crest of audio-frequency cycle with modulation factor of 1.0.

PLATE MODULATED RADIO-FREQUENCY POWER AMPLIFIER—CLASS C TELEPHONY

Carrier conditions per tube for use with maximum modulation factor of 1.0

MAXIMUM RATINGS, ABSOLUTE VALUES

	CCS
D-C Plate Voltage	3000 volts
D-C Grid Voltage	-500 volts
D-C Plate Current	0.400 ampere
D-C Grid Current	0.100 ampere
Plate Input	1100 watts
Plate Dissipation	235 watts

TYPICAL OPERATION

	CCS	CCS	CCS ⁷
D-C Plate Voltage	2000	3000	3000 volts
D-C Grid Voltage	-310	-320	-270 volts
Peak R-F Grid Voltage	535	520	420 volts
D-C Plate Current	0.390	0.340	0.240 ampere
D-C Grid Current, approximate	0.070	0.065	0.035 ampere
Driving Power, approximate	35	35	20 watts
Power Output, approximate	550	780	550 watts

RADIO FREQUENCY POWER AMPLIFIER AND OSCILLATOR—CLASS C TELEGRAPHY

Key-down conditions per tube without amplitude modulation⁸

MAXIMUM RATINGS, ABSOLUTE VALUES

	CCS
D-C Plate Voltage	4000 volts
D-C Grid Voltage	-500 volts
D-C Plate Current	0.500 ampere
D-C Grid Current	0.100 ampere
Plate Input	1800 watts
Plate Dissipation	400 watts

TYPICAL OPERATION

	CCS	CCS
D-C Plate Voltage	2000	3500 volts
D-C Grid Voltage	-200	-240 volts
Peak R-F Grid Voltage	445	460 volts
D-C Plate Current	0.500	0.450 ampere
D-C Grid Current, approximate	0.085	0.070 ampere
Driving Power, approximate	35	30 watts
Power Output, approximate	780	1200 watts

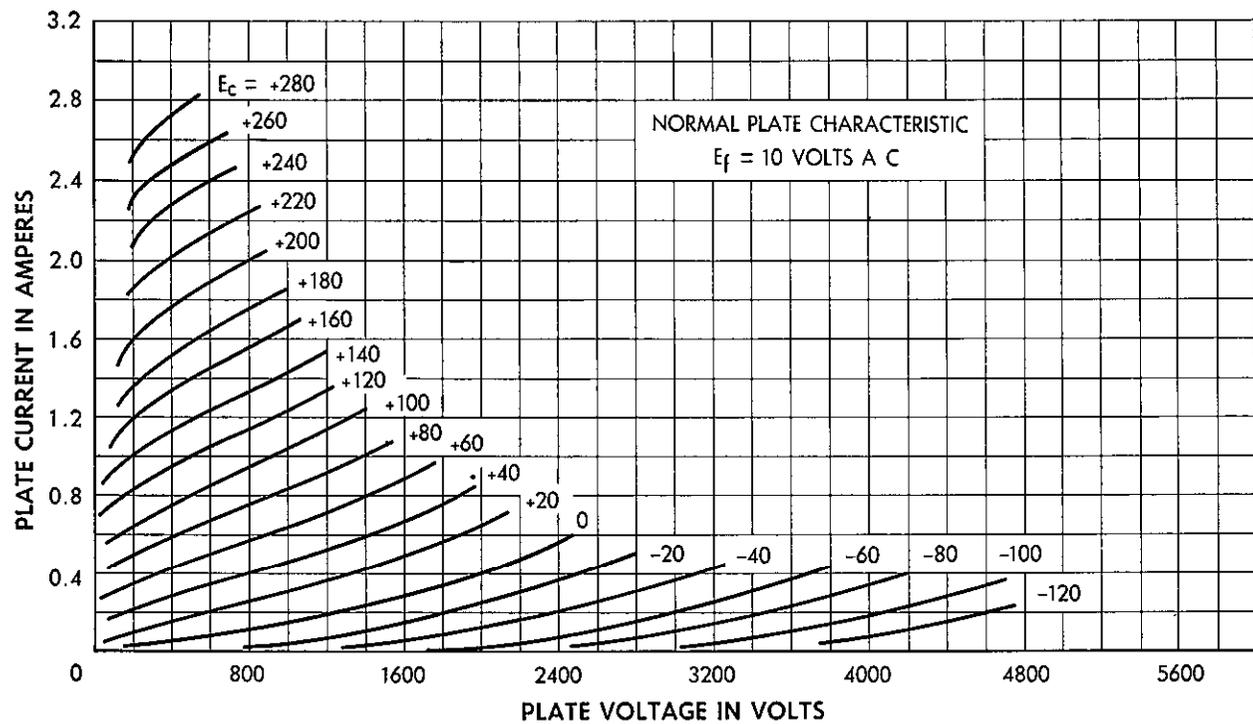
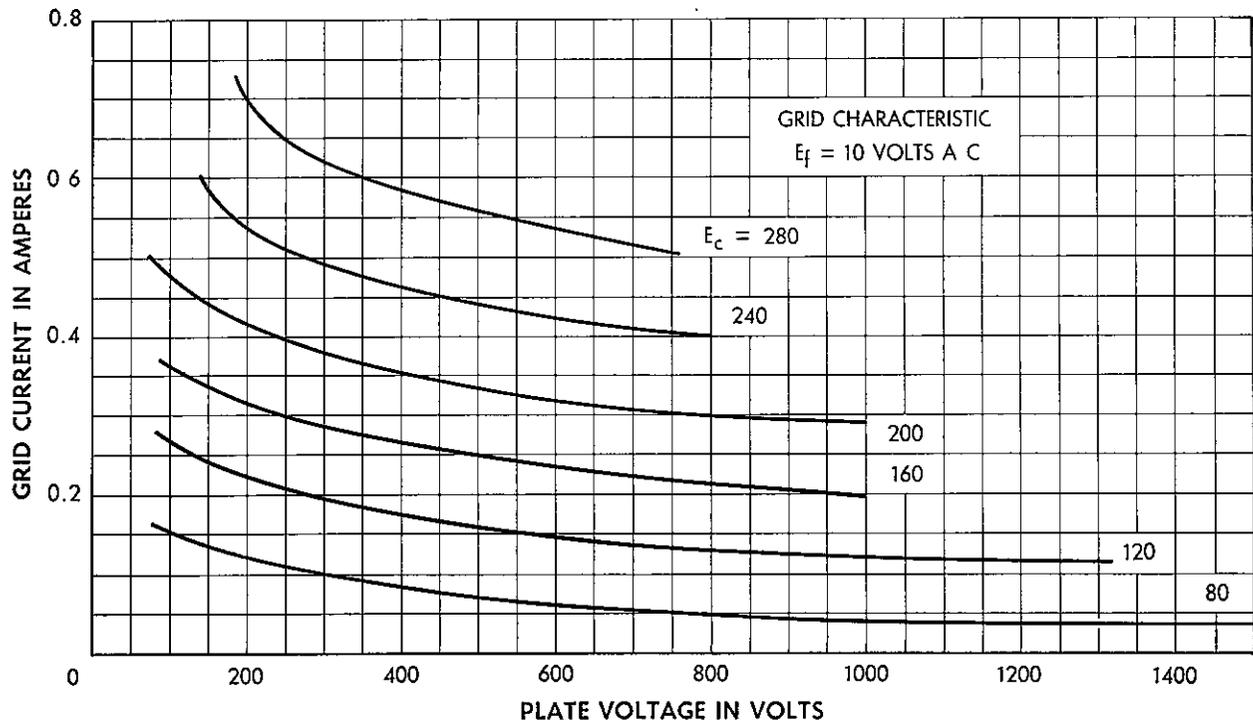
Maximum ratings apply up to 100 megacycles. The tube may be operated at higher frequencies provided the maximum values of plate voltage and plate input are reduced according

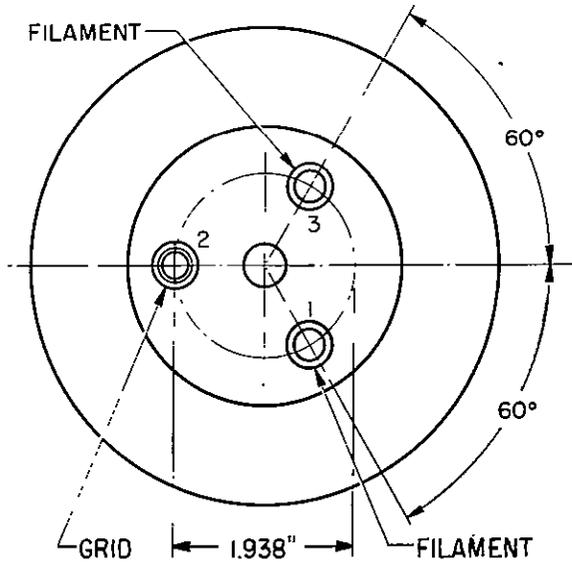
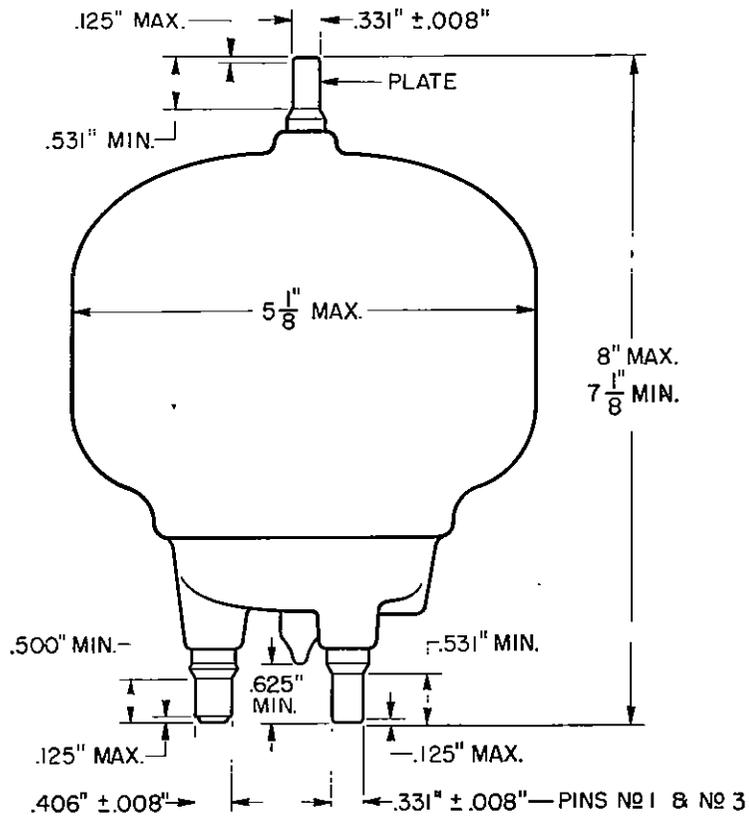
to the tabulation below. Other maximum ratings are not affected. Forced-air cooling of the envelope with an air flow of approximately 40 cfm is required at these frequencies.

Frequency	100	125	150 megacycles
Percentage of maximum rated plate voltage and plate input.			
Class B	100	85	70 per cent
Class C, plate modulated	100	75	50 per cent
Class C, unmodulated	100	80	60 per cent

⁷. For 500 watt broadcast transmitter application.

⁸. Modulation essentially negative may be used if the positive peak of the envelope does not exceed 115 per cent of its unmodulated value.





Note:
 Base pin positions shall be held to tolerances such that pins will fit a flat - plate gauge having a thickness of .250" with 2 holes of .391" ± .0005" dia. and 1 hole of .469" ± .0005" dia. All holes shall be located on a 1.938" ± .0005" dia. circle at specified centers.

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