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Twin Power Pentode

9-PIN MINIATURE TYPE
INTERNALLY NEUTRALIZED FOR PUSH-PULL AMPLIFIER SERVICE
14 WATTS CW INPUT (ICAS) UP TO 500 Mc

For Communications Equipment Operating at Frequencies up to 500 Mc as a Push-Pull RF-Power-Amplifier or as a Frequency-Multiplier Tube

GENERAL DATA

Electrical:

Heater, for Unipotential Cathode:

Heater arrangement	Series	Parallel
Voltage (AC or DC)	12.6 ± 10%	6.3 ± 10% volts
Current	0.3	0.6 amp

Transconductance (Each Unit)

for dc plate volts = 150, dc grid-No.2 volts = 150, and dc plate ma. = 25 10500 μmhos

Mu-Factor, Grid No.2 to Grid

No.1 (Each Unit) for dc plate volts = 150, dc grid No.2 volts = 150, and dc plate ma. = 25. 31

Direct Interelectrode Capacitances

(Approx., Each Unit):▲

Grid No.1 to plate.	0.15	μμf
Grid No.1 to cathode & grid No.3, grid No.2, and heater.	6.4	μμf
Plate to cathode & grid No.3, grid No.2, and heater	1.6	μμf

Mechanical:

Operating Position. Any

Maximum Overall Length. 2-5/8"

Maximum Seated Length. 2-3/8"

Length, Base Seat to Bulb Top (Excluding tip). 2" ± 3/32"

Diameter. 0.750" to 0.875"

Dimensional Outline. See General Section

Bulb. T6-1/2

Base. Small-Button Naval 9-Pin (JEDEC No. E9-1)

Basing Designation for BOTTOM VIEW. 9HL

Pin 1 - Grid No.1

of Unit No.2

Pin 2 - Cathode,

Grid No.3

Pin 3 - Grid No.1

of Unit No.1

Pin 4 - Heater

Pin 5 - Heater

Pin 6 - Plate of

Unit No.2

Pin 7 - Grid No.2

Pin 8 - Plate of

Unit No.1

Pin 9 - Heater Tap



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PUSH-PULL RF POWER AMPLIFIER & OSCILLATOR — Class C Telegraphy*

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PUSH-PULL RF POWER AMPLIFIER — Class C FM Telephony

Values are on a per-tube basis unless otherwise specified

Maximum Ratings, Absolute-Maximum Values:

Up to 500 Mc

CCS* ICAS♦

DC PLATE VOLTAGE.	250 max.	250 max.	volts
DC GRID-No.2 (SCREEN-GRID) VOLTAGE	200 max.	200 max.	volts
DC GRID-No.1 (CONTROL-GRID) VOLTAGE	-100 max.	-100 max.	volts
DC PLATE CURRENT.	90 max.	100 max.	ma
DC GRID-No.1 CURRENT.	6 max.	8 max.	ma
DC CATHODE CURRENT.	100 max.	120 max.	ma
PLATE INPUT.	12 max.	14 max.	watts
GRID-No.2 INPUT.	3 max.	3.5 max.	watts
GRID-No.1 INPUT.	0.2 max.	0.24 max.	watt
PLATE DISSIPATION.	6 max.	7.5 max.	watts
PEAK HEATER-CATHODE VOLTAGE:			
Heater negative with respect to cathode.	100 max.	100 max.	volts
Heater positive with respect to cathode.	100 max.	100 max.	volts
BULB TEMPERATURE (At hottest point on bulb surface).	225 max.	225 max.	°C

Typical Operation:

At 500 Mc

DC Plate Voltage.	180	200	volts
DC Grid-No.2 Voltage.	180	200	volts
DC Grid-No.1 Voltage.	-20	-20	volts
From grid resistor for each grid No.1 of	27000	27000	ohms
Peak-to-Peak RF Grid-No.1 Voltage.	50	50	volts
DC Plate Current.	55	60	ma
DC Grid-No.2 Current.	12.5	14	ma
DC Grid-No.1 Current.	1.5	1.5	ma
Driver Power Output (Approx.)	1.2	1.2	watts
Useful Power Output (Approx.)	5	6	watts



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PLATE-MODULATED PUSH-PULL RF POWER AMPLIFIER — Class C Telephony

*Carrier conditions per tube for use
with a maximum modulation factor of 1*

Values are on a per-tube basis

Maximum Ratings, Absolute-Maximum Values:

	<i>Up to 500 Mc</i>	
	<i>CCS*</i>	<i>ICAS♦</i>
DC PLATE VOLTAGE	200 max.	200 max. volts
DC GRID-No.2 (SCREEN-GRID) VOLTAGE	200 max.	200 max. volts
DC GRID-No.1 (CONTROL-GRID) VOLTAGE	-100 max.	-100 max. volts
DC PLATE CURRENT	64 max.	80 max. ma
DC GRID-No.1 CURRENT	6 max.	8 max. ma
DC CATHODE CURRENT	80 max.	96 max. ma
PLATE INPUT	8 max.	10 max. watts
GRID-No.2 INPUT	2 max.	2.3 max. watts
GRID-No.1 INPUT	0.2 max.	0.24 max. watt
PLATE DISSIPATION	4 max.	5 max. watts
PEAK HEATER-CATHODE VOLTAGE: Heater negative with respect to cathode	100 max.	100 max. volts
Heater positive with respect to cathode	100 max.	100 max. volts
BULB TEMPERATURE (At hottest point on bulb surface)	225 max.	225 max. °C

Typical Operation:

	<i>At 500 Mc</i>		
DC Plate Voltage	180	180	volts
DC Grid-No.2 Voltage	180	180	volts
DC Grid-No.1 Voltage	-20	-20	volts
From grid resistor for each grid No.1 of	68000	27000	ohms
Peak-to-Peak RF Grid-No.1 Voltage	45	50	volts
DC Plate Current	40	55	ma
DC Grid-No.2 Current	9.5	12.5	ma
DC Grid-No.1 Current	0.6	1.5	ma
Driver Power Output (Approx.)	1	1.2	watts
Useful Power Output (Approx.)	3.5	5	watts

FREQUENCY TRIPLEX — Class C

Values are on a per-tube basis

Maximum Ratings, Absolute-Maximum Values:

	<i>Up to 500 Mc</i>	
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DC PLATE VOLTAGE	250 max.	250 max. volts



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DC GRID-No.2 (SCREEN-GRID)		
VOLTAGE	200 max.	200 max. volts
DC GRID-No.1 (CONTROL-GRID)		
VOLTAGE	-100 max.	-100 max. volts
DC PLATE CURRENT.	60 max.	80 max. ma
DC GRID-No.1 CURRENT.	6 max.	8 max. ma
DC CATHODE CURRENT.	70 max.	80 max. ma
PLATE INPUT	8 max.	10 max. watts
GRID-No.2 INPUT	3 max.	3.5 max. watts
GRID-No.1 INPUT	0.2 max.	0.24 max. watt
PLATE DISSIPATION	6 max.	7.5 max. watts
PEAK HEATER-CATHODE VOLTAGE:		
Heater negative with respect to cathode.	100 max.	100 max. volts
Heater positive with respect to cathode.	100 max.	100 max. volts
BULB TEMPERATURE (At hottest point on bulb surface).	225 max.	225 max. °C
Typical Operation:	<i>Up to 500 Mc</i>	
DC Plate Voltage.	180	200 volts
DC Grid-No.2 Voltage (Approx.).	180	190 volts
Through resistor of	1200	1200 ohms
DC Grid-No.1 Voltage.	-74	-74 volts
From grid resistor for each grid No.1 of	82000	82000 ohms
Peak-to-Peak RF		
Grid-No.1 Voltage	165	165 volts
DC Plate Current.	40	46 ma
DC Grid-No.2 Current.	9.7	11 ma
DC Grid-No.1 Current.	1.8	1.8 ma
Driver Power Output (Approx.)	1.1	1.1 watts
Useful Power Output (Approx.)	1.8	2.2 watts

▲ Without external shield.

● Key-down conditions per tube without amplitude modulation. Amplitude modulation essentially negative may be used if the positive peak of the audio-frequency envelope does not exceed 115% of the carrier conditions.

★ Continuous Commercial Service.

◆ Intermittent Commercial and Amateur Service.

◆ This value of useful power is measured at load of output circuit.

OPERATING CONSIDERATIONS

Shielding of the 6939 in "straight-through" rf-amplifier service may be required for stable operation. To minimize external feedback from the plate to grid No.1, a grounded shield crossing the terminal end of the tube socket through the space between pins 4 and 5 and the space between pins 1 and 9, is generally adequate for this purpose.



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The heater may be effectively bypassed by grounding one heater pin at the tube socket and bypassing the other heater pin to ground with a low inductance capacitor. If further isolation of the ungrounded heater pin is required a suitable rf choke followed by another low inductance bypass capacitor, is recommended.

The cathode of the 6939 should be grounded by means of the shortest possible connection to reduce the effect of cathode-lead inductance.

The rf impedance between grid No.2 and the cathode must be kept low, usually by means of a suitable bypass capacitor. In telephony service when grid No.2 is modulated, a smaller bypass capacitor than is used for telegraphy service may be required in order to avoid excessive af bypassing. However, if the capacitance value is too small, rf feedback may occur between plate and grid No.1, depending on the circuit layout, operating frequency, and power gain of the stage. AF bypassing difficulties can usually be eliminated if the grid-No.2 bypass capacitor is replaced by a series-resonant circuit which is tuned to resonate at the operating frequency. This circuit presents a high impedance to audio frequencies but a very low impedance to its resonant frequency.

To prevent generation of parasitic oscillations, it is recommended that a 100-ohm resistor be connected in series with grid No.2 as close to the socket as possible.



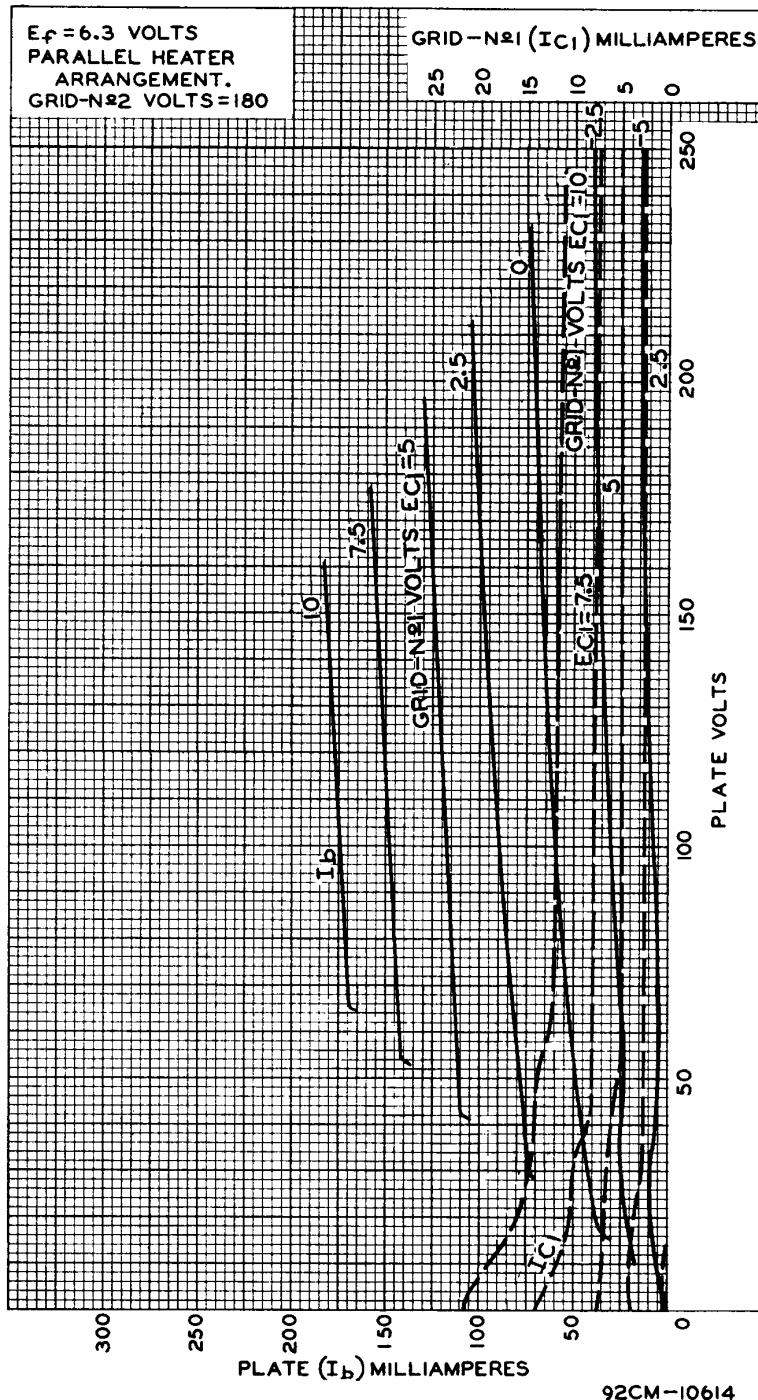
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AVERAGE CHARACTERISTICS Each Unit



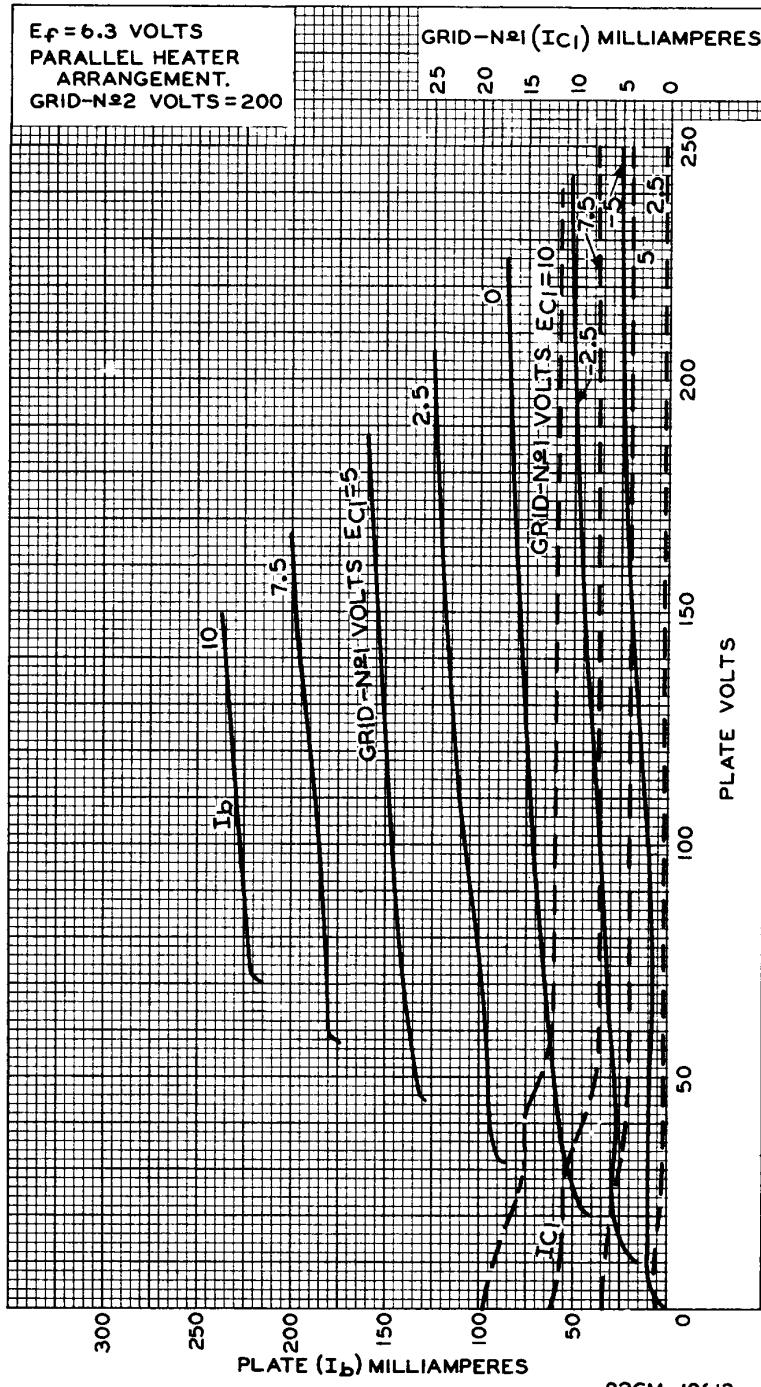
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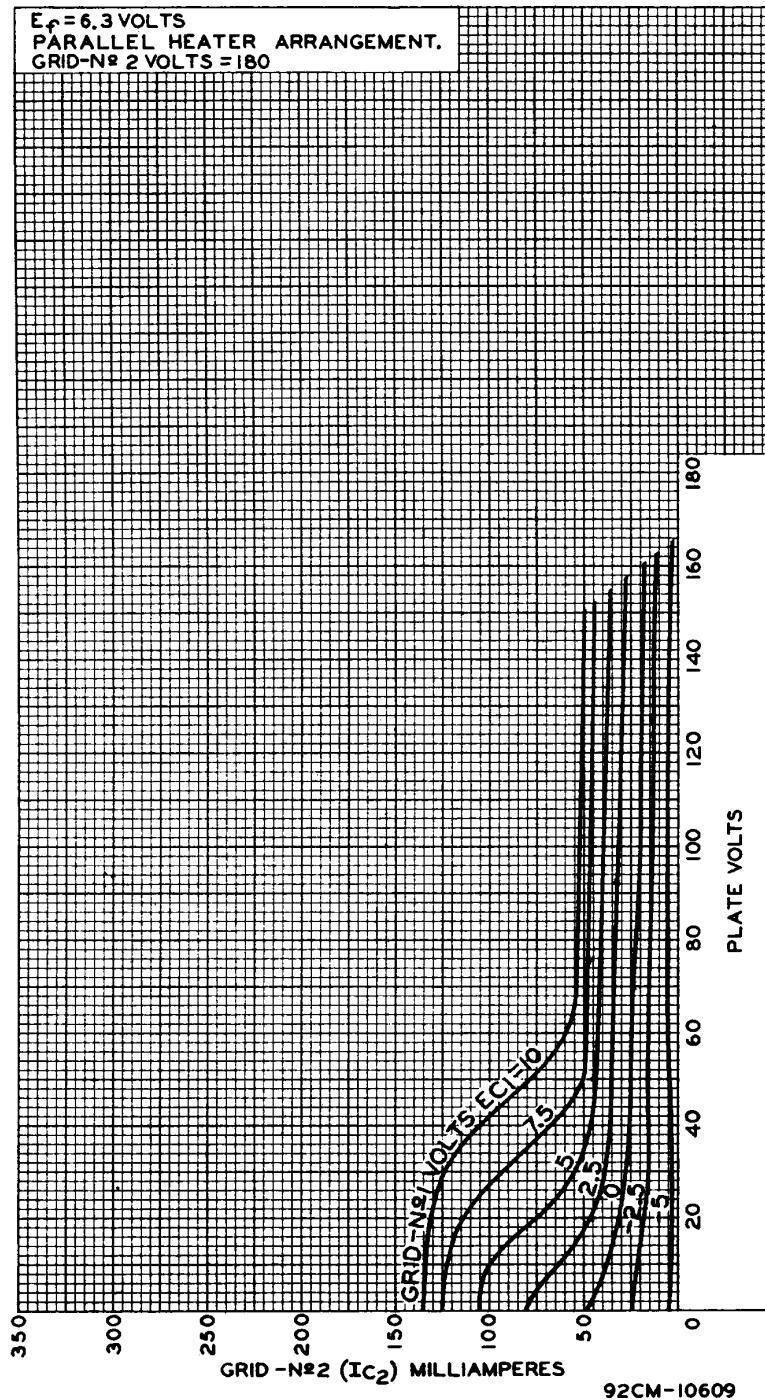
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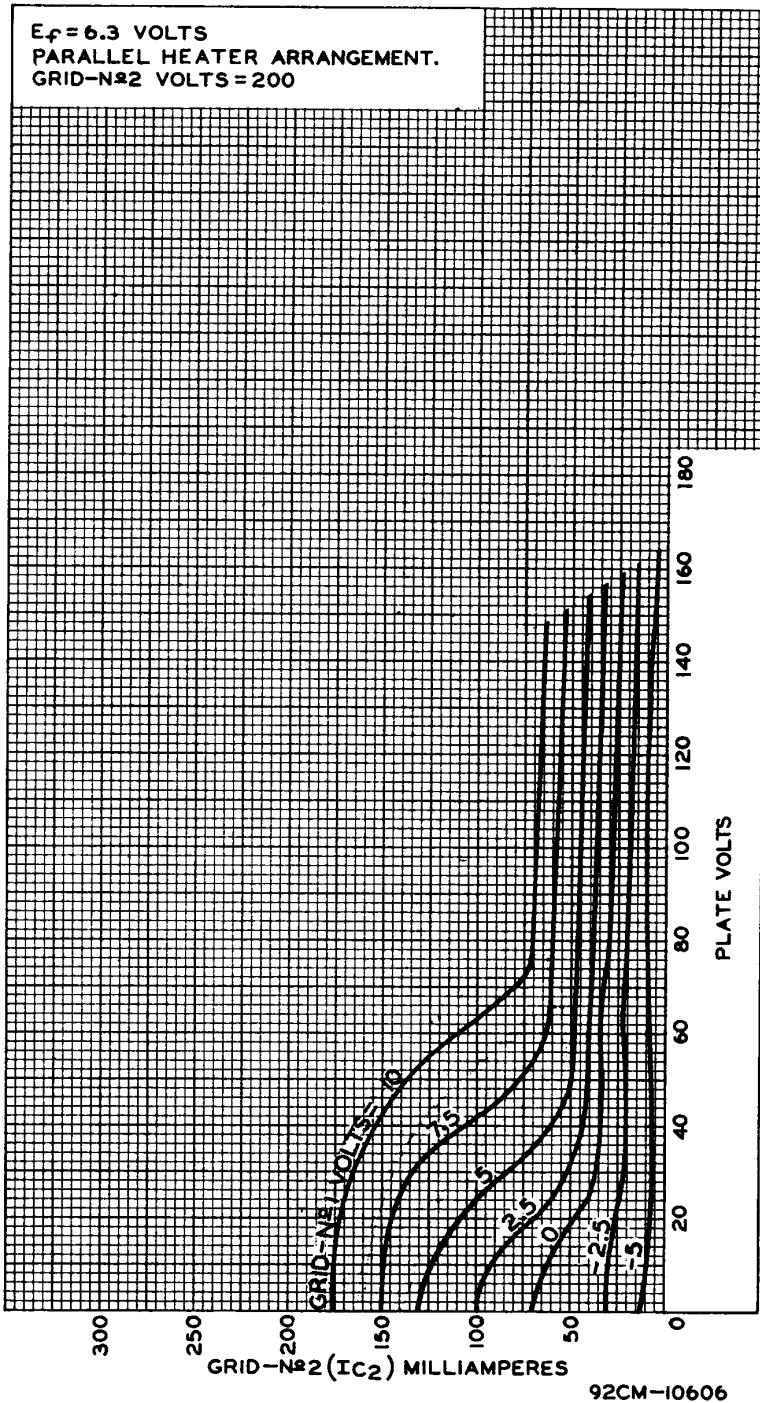


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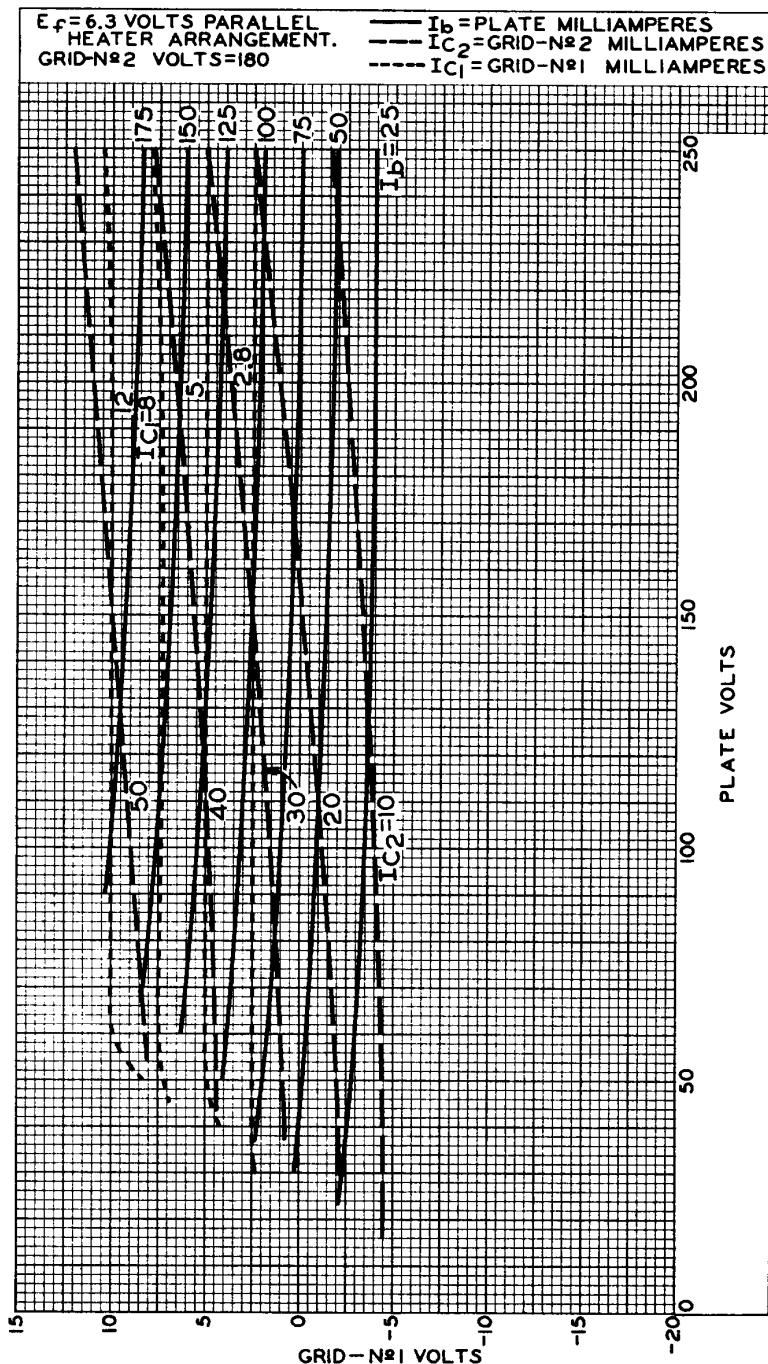
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AVERAGE CONSTANT-CURRENT CHARACTERISTICS Each Unit



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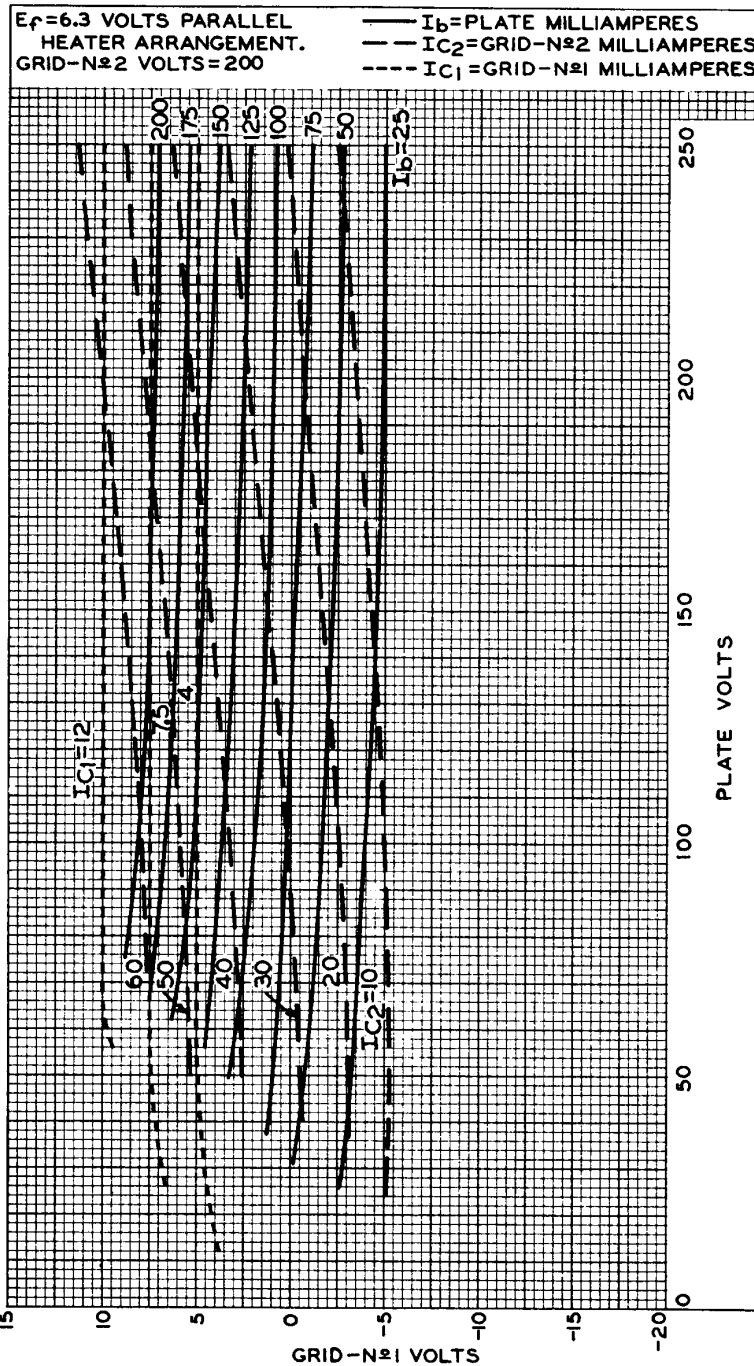
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AVERAGE CONSTANT-CURRENT CHARACTERISTICS Each Unit



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