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MODULATOR, A-F POWER AMPLIFIER R-F POWER AMPLIFIER, OSCILLATOR

Filament	Thoriated Tungsten		
Voltage	11	a-c or d-c volts	
Current	15.5	amp.	
Amplification Factor	20.5		
Direct Interelectrode Capacitances (approx.):			
Grid to Plate	47	μuf	
Grid to Filament	25.5	μuf	
Plate to Filament	4.5	μuf	
Overall Length		17-1/2"	± 1/8"
Maximum Diameter		6-1/8"	
Bulb		T-48	
Cap		No. 1902	
Base		No. 3117	

MAXIMUM RATINGS and TYPICAL OPERATING CONDITIONS

A-F POWER AMPLIFIER & MODULATOR - Class A

D-C Plate Voltage	2500	max.	volts
Plate Dissipation	600	max.	watts
Typical Operation:			
Filament Voltage	11	11	11
D-C Plate Voltage	1500	2000	2500
D-C Grid Voltage	-49	-65	-92
Peak A-F Grid Voltage	44	60	87
D-C Plate Current	175	270	240
Plate Resistance	1800	1500	1600
Load Resistance	3700	3100	5000
Power Output	46	100	160

A-F POWER AMPLIFIER & MODULATOR - Class B

D-C Plate Voltage	3000	max.	volts
Max-Signal D-C Plate Current*	1	max.	amp.
Max-Signal Plate Input*	2250	max.	watts
Plate Dissipation*	750	max.	watts

Typical Operation - 2 tubes:

Unless otherwise specified, values are for 2 tubes.

Filament Voltage	11	11	11	a-c	volts
D-C Plate Voltage	2000	2500	3000		volts
D-C Grid Voltage	-85	-111	-135		volts
Peak A-F Grid-to-Grid Volt.	500	490	490		volts
Zero-Signal D-C Plate Cur.	0.12	0.12	0.11		amp.
Max-Signal D-C Plate Cur.	1.7	1.4	1.2		amp.
Load Resistance (per tube)	650	1000	1400		ohms
Effective Load Resistance (plate to plate)	2600	4000	5600		ohms
Max-Signal Driving Power	20	12	6	approx.	watts
Max-Signal Power Output	2.2	2.3	2.4	approx.	kw

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

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R-F POWER AMPLIFIER - Class B Telephony

Carrier conditions per tube for use with a max. modulation fact. of 1.0

D-C Plate Voltage	2500	max.	volts
D-C Plate Current	0.75	max.	amp.
R-F Grid Current	8	max.	amp.
Plate Input	1100	max.	watts
Plate Dissipation	750	max.	watts

Typical Operation:

Filament Voltage	11	11	11	a-c	volts
D-C Plate Voltage	1500	2000	2500		volts
D-C Grid Voltage	-60	-85	-110		volts
Peak R-F Grid Voltage	150	140	135		volts
D-C Plate Current	0.62	0.475	0.39		amp.
Driving Power **	40	25	20	approx.	watts
Power Output	275	300	325	approx.	watts

* At crest of a-f cycle with modulation factor of 1.0.

PLATE-MODULATED R-F POWER AMPLIFIER - Class C Telephony

Carrier conditions per tube for use with a max. modulation fact. of 1.0

D-C Plate Voltage	2000	max.	volts
D-C Grid Voltage	-500	max.	volts
D-C Plate Current	1	max.	amp.
D-C Grid Current	0.2	max.	amp.
R-F Grid Current	8	max.	amp.
Plate Input	1800	max.	watts
Plate Dissipation	500	max.	watts

Typical Operation:

Filament Voltage	11	11	11	a-c	volts
D-C Plate Voltage	1500	2000	2500		volts
D-C Grid Voltage	-250	-300	-350		volts
Peak R-F Grid Voltage	475	525	575		volts
D-C Plate Current	0.9	0.85	0.80		amp.
D-C Grid Current **	0.15	0.125	0.10	approx.	amp.
Driving Power **	75	65	55	approx.	watts
Power Output	900	1250	1600	approx.	watts

R-F POWER AMPLIFIER & OSCILLATOR - Class C Telegraphy

*Key-down conditions per tube without modulation**

D-C Plate Voltage	2500	max.	volts
D-C Grid Voltage	-500	max.	volts
D-C Plate Current	1	max.	amp.
D-C Grid Current	0.2	max.	amp.
R-F Grid Current	10	max.	amp.
Plate Input	2500	max.	watts
Plate Dissipation	750	max.	watts

Typical Operation:

Filament Voltage	11	11	11	a-c	volts
D-C Plate Voltage	1500	2000	2500		volts

* See next page.

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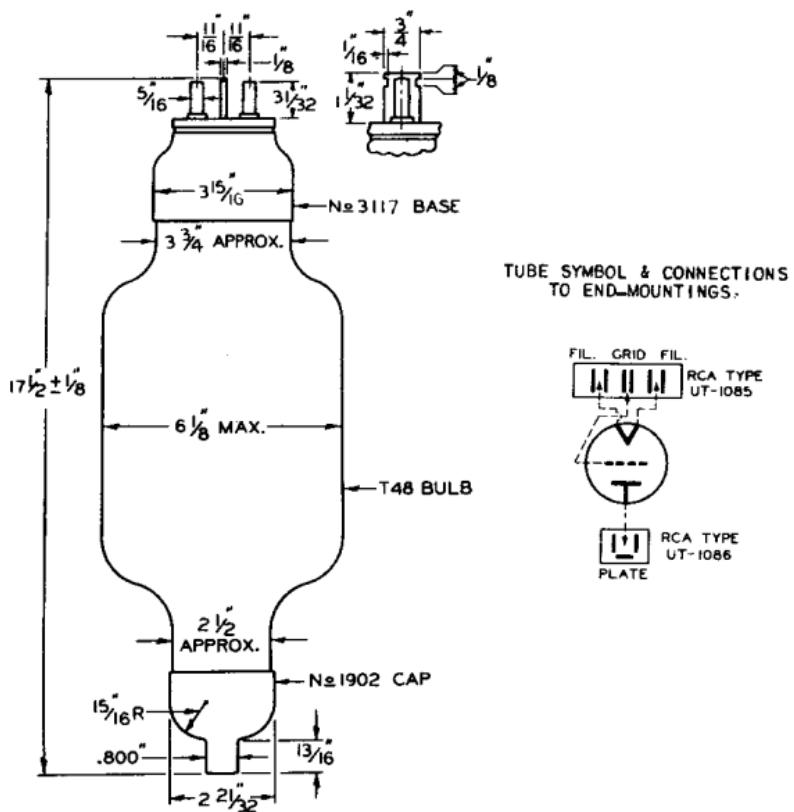
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D-C Grid Voltage	-150	-200	-250	approx.volts
Peak R-F Grid Voltage	375	425	450	approx.volts
D-C Plate Current	0.9	0.9	0.9	amp.
D-C Grid Current **	0.15	0.12	0.1	approx.amp.
Driving Power **	55	50	45	approx.watts
Power Output	900	1250	1700	approx.watts

** Subject to wide variations as explained on sheet TRANS. TUBE RATINGS.

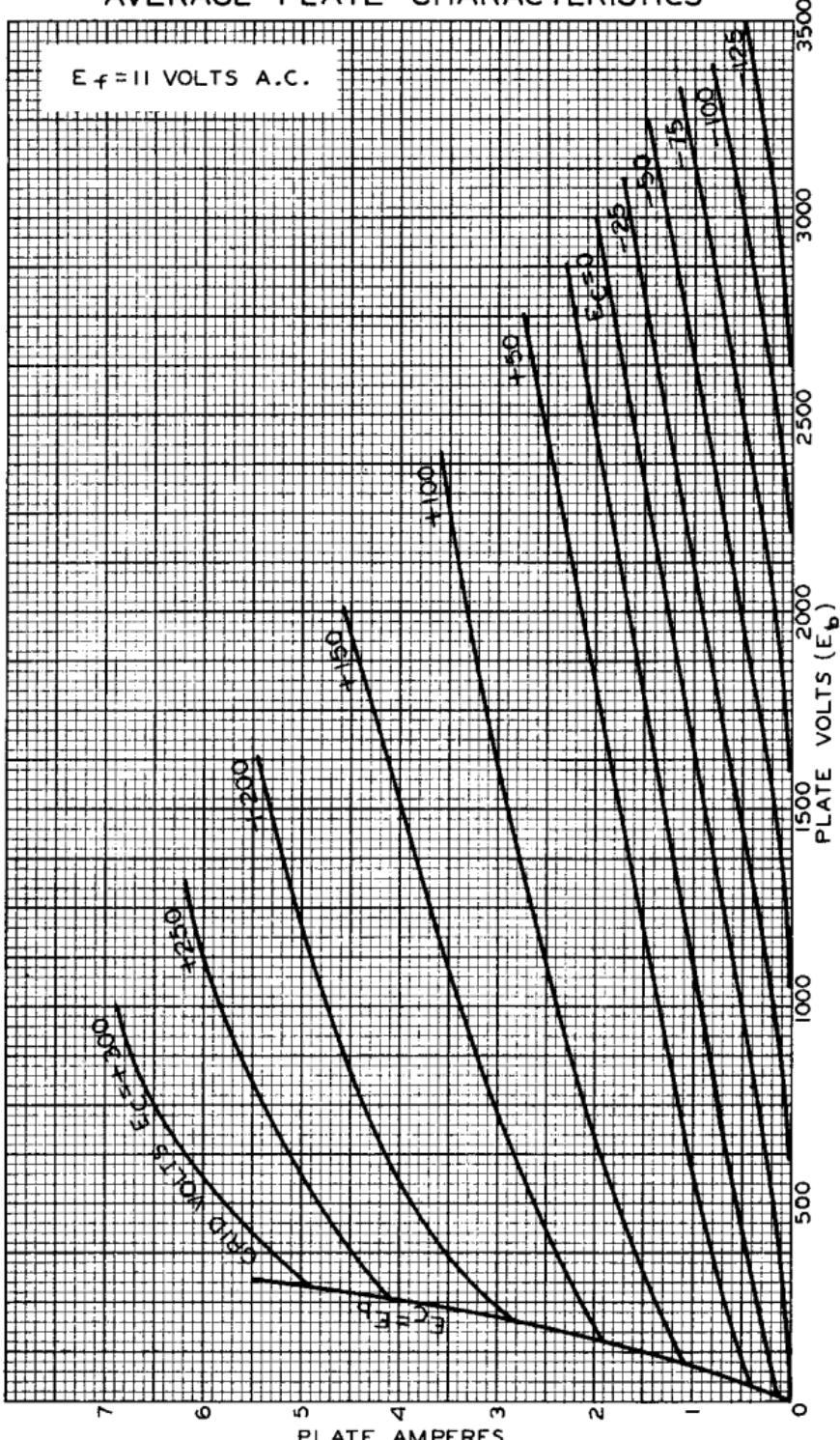
Modulation essentially negative may be used if the positive peak of the audio-frequency envelope does not exceed 115% of the carrier conditions.

For use of the 851 at the higher frequencies, refer to sheet TRANS. TUBE RATINGS vs FREQUENCY.



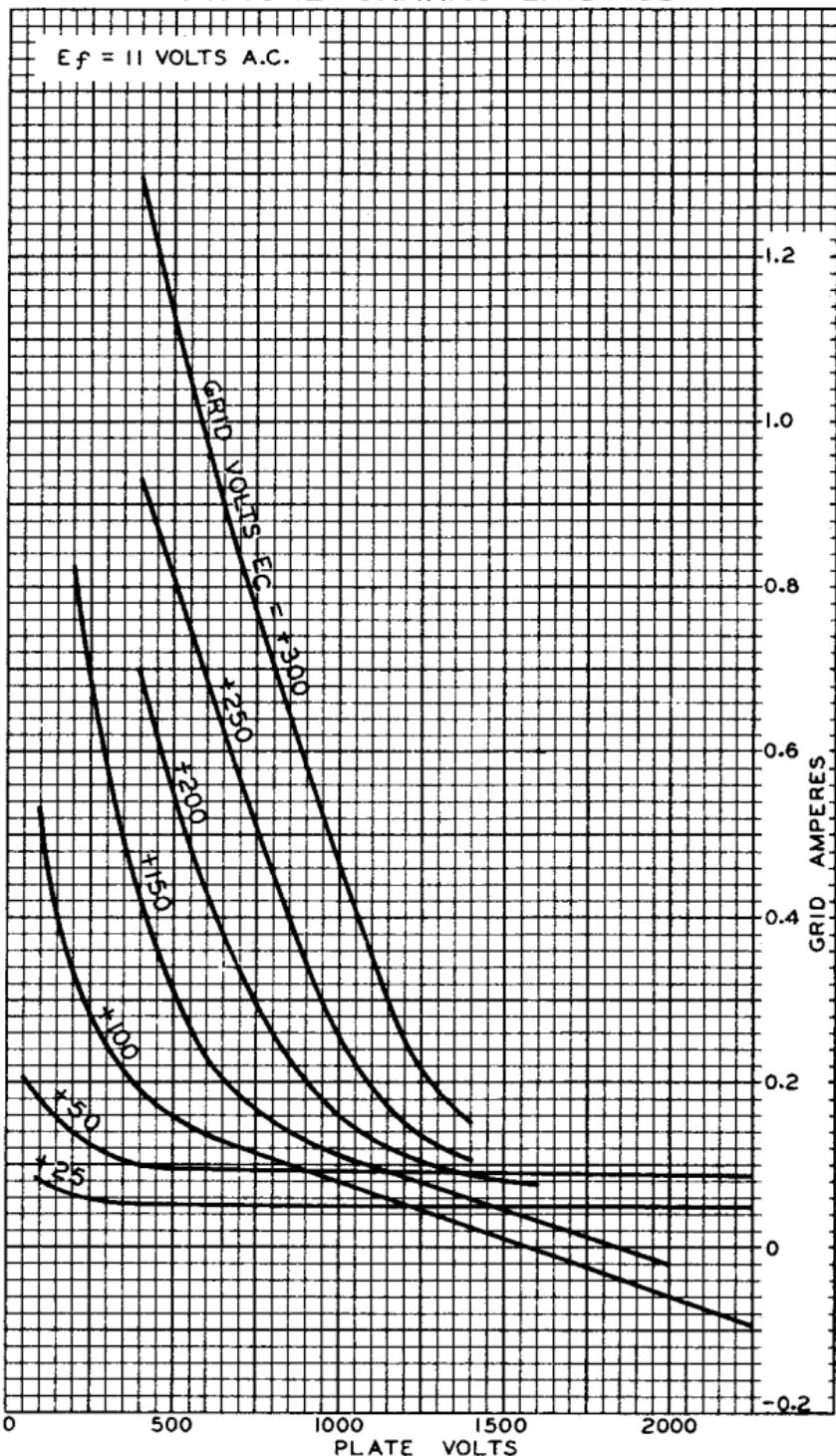


AVERAGE PLATE CHARACTERISTICS



TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

E_f = 11 VOLTS A.C.

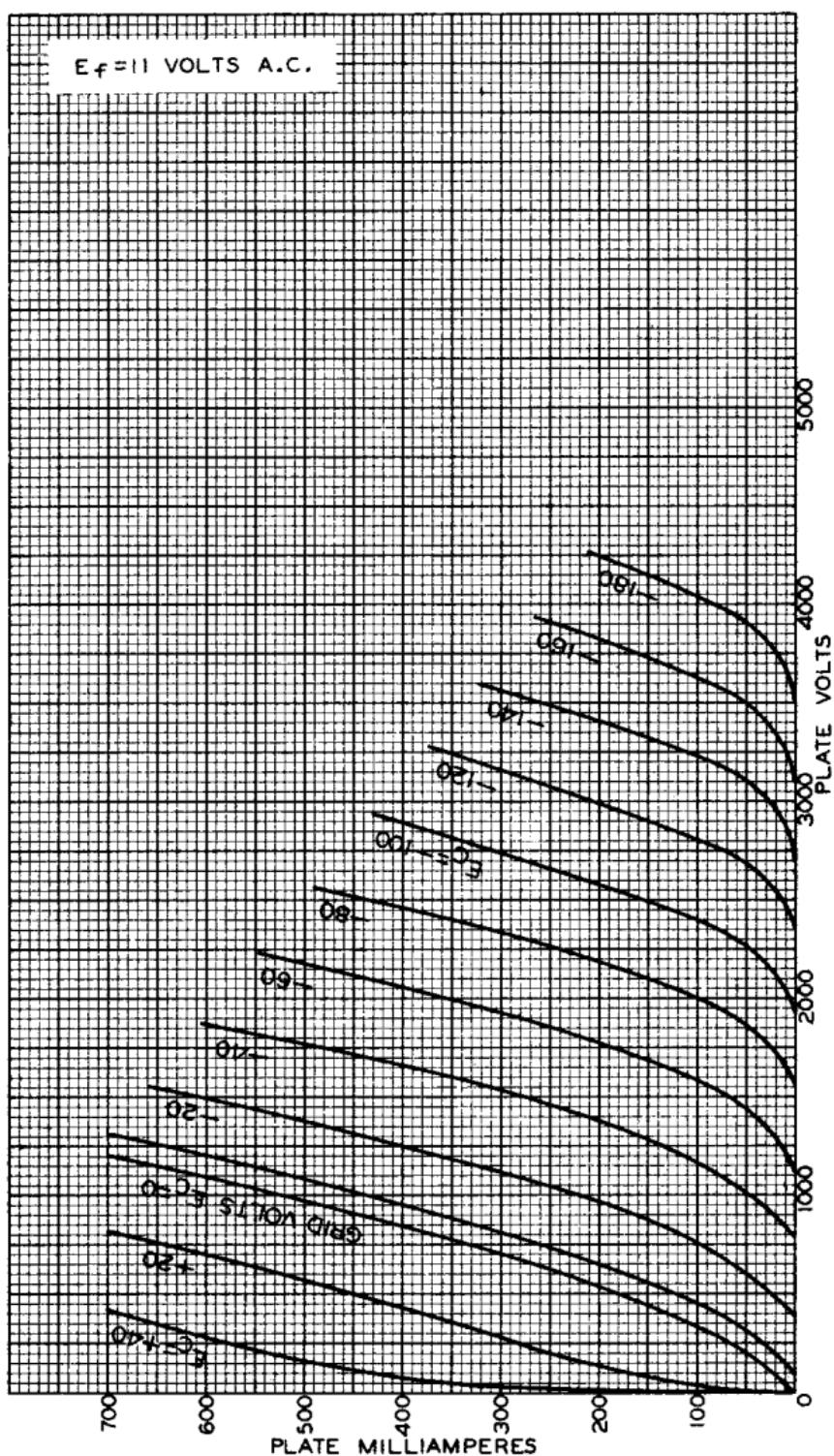


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