



# **Datasheet**

# RS Pro 12AX7 Double Triode Thermionic Valve, B9A Base, 1W, 12.6 V, 6.3V, 22.5 (Dia.) x 57mm



The 12AX7 is a miniature high-mu twin triode each section of which has an individual cathode connection. The 12AX7 is especially suited for use in resistance-coupled voltage amplifiers, phase inverters, multivibrators, and numerous industrial-control circuits where high voltage gain is desired. A center-tapped heater permits operation of the tube from either a 6.3-volt or a 12.6-volt heater supply.

# BASING DIAGRAM



RETMA 9A BOTTOM VIEW

#### TERMINAL CONNECTIONS

Pin 1-Plate (Section 2)

Pin 2—Grid (Section 2) Pin 3—Cathode (Section 2)

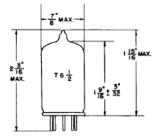
Pin 4—Heater

Pin 5—Heater

Pin 6—Plate (Section 1)
Pin 7—Grid (Section 1)
Pin 8—Cathode (Section 1)

Pin 9-Heater Center-Tap

#### PHYSICAL DIMENSIONS



#### GENERAL

Cathode—Coated Unipotential		
	Series	Parallel
Heater Voltage, AC or DC	12.6	6.3 Volts
Heater Current		0.3 Amperes
Envelope—T-6½, Glass		
Base—E9-1, Small Button 9-Pin		
Mounting Position—Any		
Direct Interelectrode Capacitances		
	With Shield* Wit	thout Shield
Grid to Plate, Each Section	1.7	1.7 μμf
Input, Each Section		1.6 μμf
Output, Section 1	10	).46 µµf
Output, Section 2	1.9	).34 μμf

## **MAXIMUM RATINGS**

DESIGN-CENTER VALUES, EACH SECTION		
Plate Voltage		Volts
Positive DC Grid Voltage	0	Volts
Negative DC Grid Voltage	50	Volts
Plate Dissipation	1.0	Watts
Heater-Cathode Voltage		
Heater Positive with Respect to Cathode	180	Volts
Heater Negative with Respect to Cathode		

## CHARACTERISTICS AND TYPICAL OPERATION

## CLASS A1 AMPLIFIER, EACH SECTION

Plate Voltage	100	250	Volts
Grid Voltage	-1	-2	Volts
Amplification Factor	100	100	
Plate Resistance, approximate	30000	62500	Ohms
Transconductance	1250	1600	Micromhos
Plate Current	0.5	1.2	Milliamperes

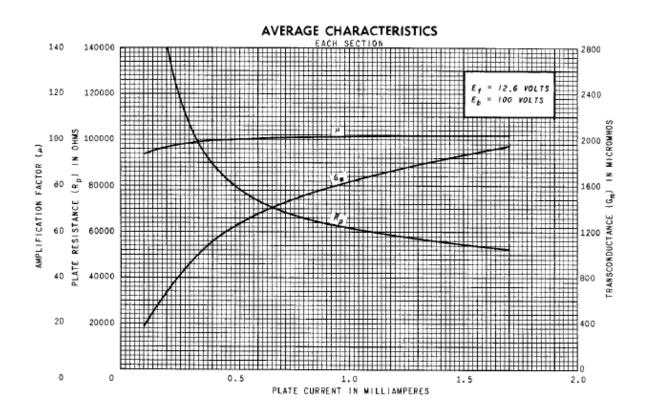
<sup>\*</sup> With external shield (RETMA 315) connected to cathode of section under test.

#### CLASS A RESISTANCE-COUPLED AMPLIFIER

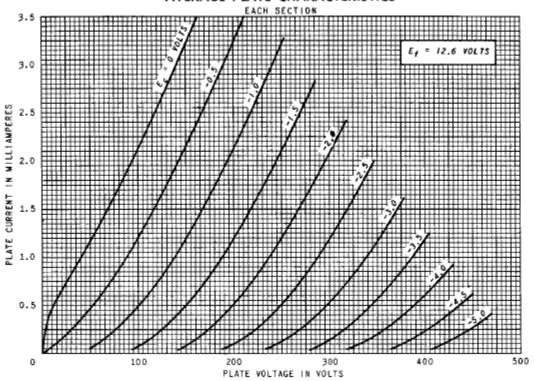
EACH SECTION

Rp	Rs	R <sub>g1</sub>	Ebb =	90 Vo	its	Ebb =	180	Volts	Ebb =	300	Volts	
Meg.		Meg.	Rk	Gain	Eo	Rk	Gain	Εo	Rk	Gain	Eo	
0.10	0.10	0.1	1700	31	5.0	1000	40	15	760	43	30	
0.10	0.24	0.1	2000	38	6.9	1100	46	20	900	50	40	Esig & Rg1 Rs Eo
0.24	0.24	0.1	3500	43	6.5	2000	54	18	1600	58	37	
0.24	0.51	0.1	3900	49	8.6	2300	59	24	1800	64	47	
0.51	0.51	0.1	7100	50	7.4	4300	62	19	3100	66	39	÷ ÷ ÷ ÷ EPP ÷ ÷
0.51	1.0	0.1	7800	53	9.1	4800	64	24_	3600	69	46_	
0.24	0.24	10	0	37	3.9	0	53	15	0	62	32	Note: Coupling capacitors (C) should be
0.24	0.51	10	0	44	5.4	0	60	19	0	67	41	selected to give desired frequency
0.51	0.51	10	0	44	5.0	0	61	17	0	69	35	response. Rk should be adequately
0.51	1.0	10	0	49	6.4	0	66	21	0	71	41	by-passed.

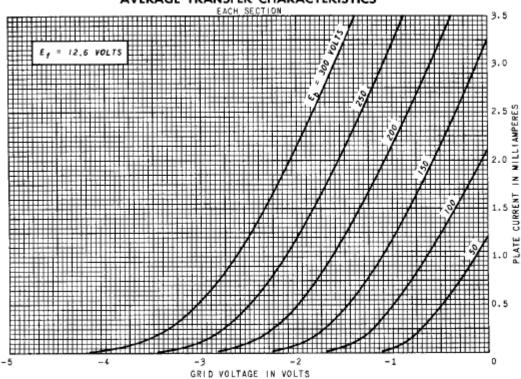
Notes: I. Eo is maximum RMS voltage output for five percent (5%) total harmonic distortion. 2. Gain measured at 2.0 volts RMS output. 3. For zero-bias data, generator impedance is negligible.



#### AVERAGE PLATE CHARACTERISTICS



#### AVERAGE TRANSFER CHARACTERISTICS



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