

SPECIAL QUALITY VARIABLE-MU R.F. PENTODE

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Special quality variable-mu r.f. pentode for use in equipment where mechanical vibration and shocks are unavoidable and where statistically controlled major electrical characteristics are required.

This data should be read in conjunction with GENERAL NOTES—SPECIAL QUALITY VALVES which precede this section of the handbook, and the index numbers are used to indicate where reference should be made to a specific note.

HEATER

V_h^1	6.3	V
I_h	200	mA

MOUNTING POSITION

Any

CAPACITANCES²

	Unshielded	Shielded	
C_{in}	4.8	5.0	pF
C_{out}	6.3	6.5	pF
C_{a-g1}	< 15	< 10	mpF
C_{h-k}	2.3	2.3	pF

CHARACTERISTICS³

V_a	200	V
V_{g2}	200	V
V_{g3}	0	V
I_a	8.25	mA
I_{g2}	2.1	mA
V_{g1}	-2.5	V
g_m	2.45	mA/V
r_a	900	k Ω ←
μ_{g1-g2}	30	
R_k	0	Ω
V_{g1} (for 100 : 1 reduction in g_m)	-27	V

ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS⁴

$V_{a(b)}$ max.	500	V
V_a max.	300	V
p_a max.	3.0	W
$V_{g2(b)}$ max.	300	V
V_{g2} max.	300	V
p_{g2} max.	700	mW
$-V_g$ max.	55	V ←
I_k max.	14	mA
R_{g1-k} max. (cathode bias)	500	k Ω
R_{g1-k} max. (fixed bias)	100	k Ω
V_{h-k} max.	150	V
Maximum fatigue (continuous operation)	2.5	g
Maximum shock (short duration)	500	g
T_{bulb} max.	200	°C

TEST CONDITIONS (unless otherwise specified)

V_{h1} (V)	V_{g1} (V)	V_{g2} (V)	V_{g3} (V)	V_{g1} (V)	V_{h1} (V)
6.3	200	0	200	-2.5	0

R_{g1} (Ω)	R_{g2} (Ω)	R_{g3} (Ω)	R_{h1} (Ω)
0	0	0	0

TESTS

	A.Q.L. ⁵ (%)		Individuals ⁶		Lot average ⁷		Lot standard deviation ⁸ Max.
	Bogey ⁹	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.		
GROUP A							
Insulation							
a-rest, g_2 -rest, g_3 -rest measured at -300V	0.25	100	—	—	—	—	M Ω
g_1 -rest measured at -100V	0.25	100	—	—	—	—	M Ω
Reverse grid current	0.25	—	0.5	—	—	—	μ A
R_{g1} max. = 500k Ω							
GROUP B							
Heater current	0.65	184	216	—	—	—	mA
Heater-to-cathode leakage current							
V_{h-k} = 100V cathode positive	0.65	—	10	—	—	—	μ A
cathode negative	—	—	—	—	3.0	—	μ A
V_{h-k} = 100V cathode positive							
Anode current	{ 0.65	8.25	10.5	7.6	8.9	—	mA
.. .. .	{ —	—	—	—	—	—	mA
Screen-grid current	{ 0.65	1.2	3.0	—	2.4	—	mA
.. .. .	{ —	—	—	—	—	—	mA
Mutual conductance	{ 0.65	2.45	3.1	2.25	2.65	—	mA/V
.. .. .	{ —	—	—	—	—	—	0.23mA/V
Group quality level ¹⁰	1.0	—	—	—	—	—	—

GROUP C

Mutual conductance. $V_{g1} = -26V$	2.5	—	4.0	60	—	—	$\mu A/V$
Reverse grid current. $V_{g1} = -50V$	2.5	—	—	1.0	—	—	μA
Change in mutual conductance. $V_h = 5.7V$	2.5	—	—	15	—	—	%
Reverse grid current. $V_h = 6.9V, V_{a-e} = 300V,$ $V_{g2-e} = 200V, R_k = 240\Omega$	2.5	—	—	1.0	—	—	μA
Microphonic noise at the anode at 50c/s and 2.5g min. peak acceleration, $V_{a(b)} = 200V,$ $R_a = 2.0k\Omega$	2.5	—	—	15	—	—	mV (r.m.s.)
Group quality level ¹⁰	6.5	—	—	—	—	—	—

GROUP D

Glass strain test ^{11A} . No applied voltages	6.5	—	—	—	—	—	—
Base strain test ¹² . No applied voltages	6.5	—	—	—	—	—	—
Capacitances ² (shielded). No applied voltages	6.5	—	—	—	—	—	—
C_{in}	—	—	3.8	5.2	—	—	pF
C_{out}	—	—	5.0	7.4	—	—	pF ←
C_{a-g1}	—	—	—	10	—	—	mpF
Grid 3 cut-off voltage. $V_{g1} = -7.0V, I_a = 50\mu A$	6.5	—	-55	-125	—	—	V
Amplification factor (μ_{g1-g2})	6.5	—	23	39	—	—	—

TESTS	A.Q.L. ⁵ (%)	Individuals ⁶		Lot average ⁷		Lot standard deviation ⁸ Max.
		Bogey ⁹	Min.	Max.	Min.		Max.
GROUP E						
Fatigue¹¹						
V _h = 6.9V, 1 minute on 3 minutes off. No other voltages applied, 5g min. peak acceleration, f = 170 ± 5c/s for 33 hours in each of 3 mutually perpendicular planes.						
Post fatigue tests						
Heater-to-cathode leakage current.	2.5	—	—	20	—	— μA
V _{h-k} = ±100V						
Reverse grid current.	2.5	—	—	1.0	—	— μA
R _{g1} max. = 500kΩ						
Mutual conductance	2.5	—	1.6	3.1	—	— mA/V
Microphonic noise as in group C	2.5	—	—	25	—	— mV (r.m.s.)
Shock¹⁵						
No applied voltages, 500g						
Post shock tests						
Heater-to-cathode leakage current.	2.5	—	—	20	—	— μA
V _{h-k} = ±100V						
Reverse grid current.	2.5	—	—	1.0	—	— μA
R _{g1} max. = 500kΩ						
Mutual conductance	2.5	—	1.6	3.1	—	— mA/V
Microphonic noise as in group C	2.5	—	—	25	—	— mV (r.m.s.)

GROUP F

Stability life test¹⁴

Running conditions. $R_{g1} = 100k\Omega$,
 $V_a = 250V$, $V_{h-k} = 135V$ (cathode negative),
 $R_k = 160\Omega$, $V_{g1-e} = 0V$

Stability life test end point

Change in mutual conductance after 1 hour 1.0 — — — — — 10 — — — — — 0.5

Intermittent life test

Running conditions. $R_{g1} = 100k\Omega$,
 $V_a = 250V$, $V_{h-k} = 135V$ (cathode negative),
 $R_k = 160\Omega$

Intermittent life test end points

Sub-group (a)								A.Q.L. ⁵ (%)	Min.	Max.	
Inoperatives ¹⁶	..	..	..	..	..	..	{ 500 hours 1000 hours	2.5 4.0	—	—	—
Heater current	..	..	..	..	..	..	500 hours	2.5	184	216	mA
Heater-to-cathode leakage current. $V_{h-k} = \pm 100V$	..	..	..	..	..	..	{ 500 hours 1000 hours	2.5 4.0	—	20 30	μA μA
Reverse grid current. $R_{g1} \max. = 500k\Omega$	..	..	..	..	..	..	{ 500 hours 1000 hours	2.5 4.0	—	0.75 1.0	μA μA
Mutual conductance	..	..	..	..	..	..	{ 500 hours 1000 hours	2.5 4.0	1.6 1.5	3.1 3.1	mA/V mA/V
Average change in mutual conductance	..	..	..	..	..	..	500 hours	—	—	15	0.5
Sub-group (b)											
Insulation as in group A	..	..	..	..	..	..	{ 500 hours 1000 hours	4.0 6.5	50 30	—	$M\Omega$ $M\Omega$
Group quality level ¹⁰	..	..	..	..	..	..	{ 500 hours 1000 hours	6.5 10	—	—	



GROUP G

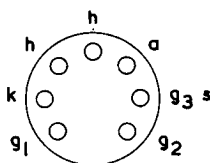
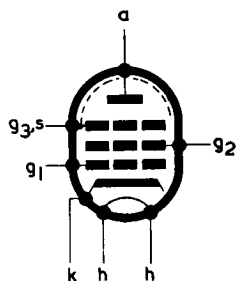
Valves are held for 28 days and retested for

Inoperatives¹⁶

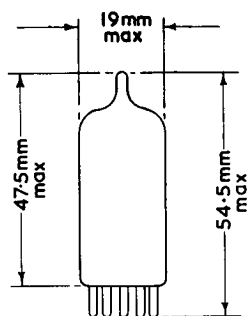
Reverse grid current.
R_{g1} max. = 500kΩ

A.Q.L. ⁵ (%)	Min.	Max.	
0.5	—	—	
0.5	—	0.75	μA

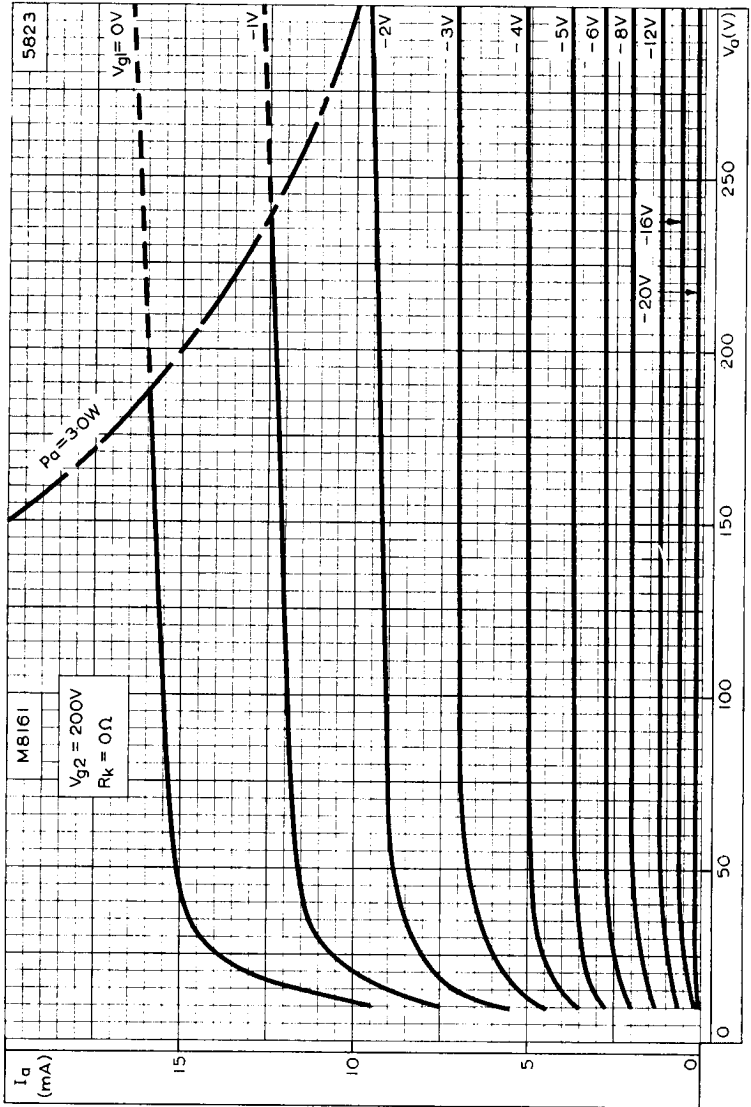
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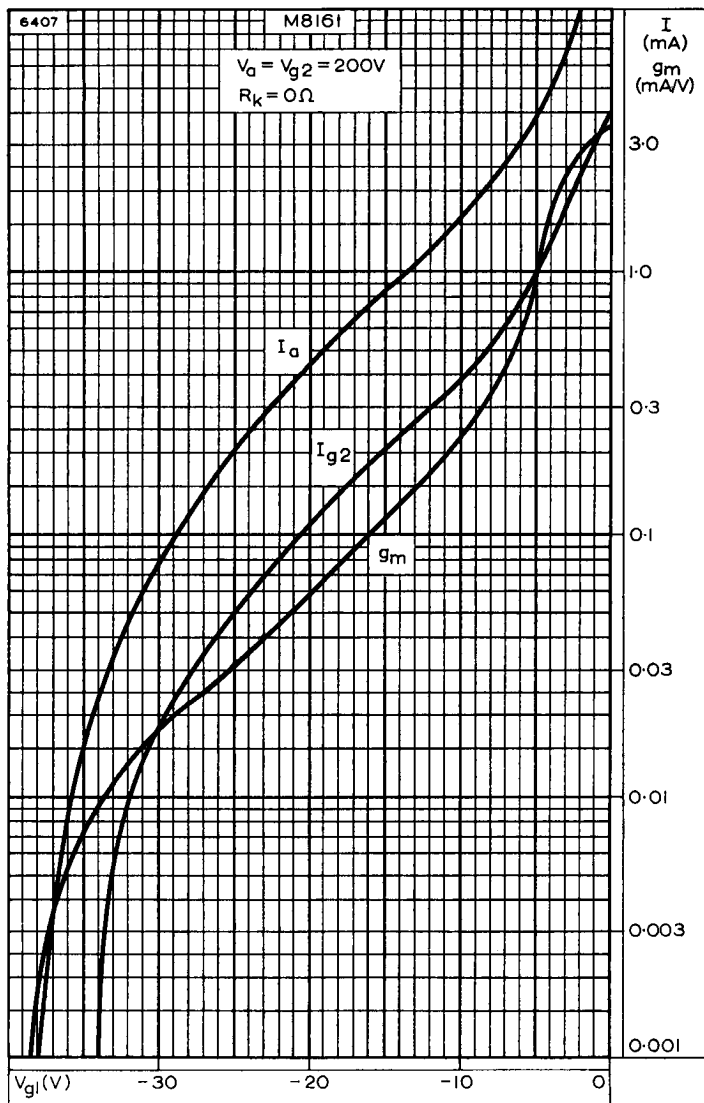
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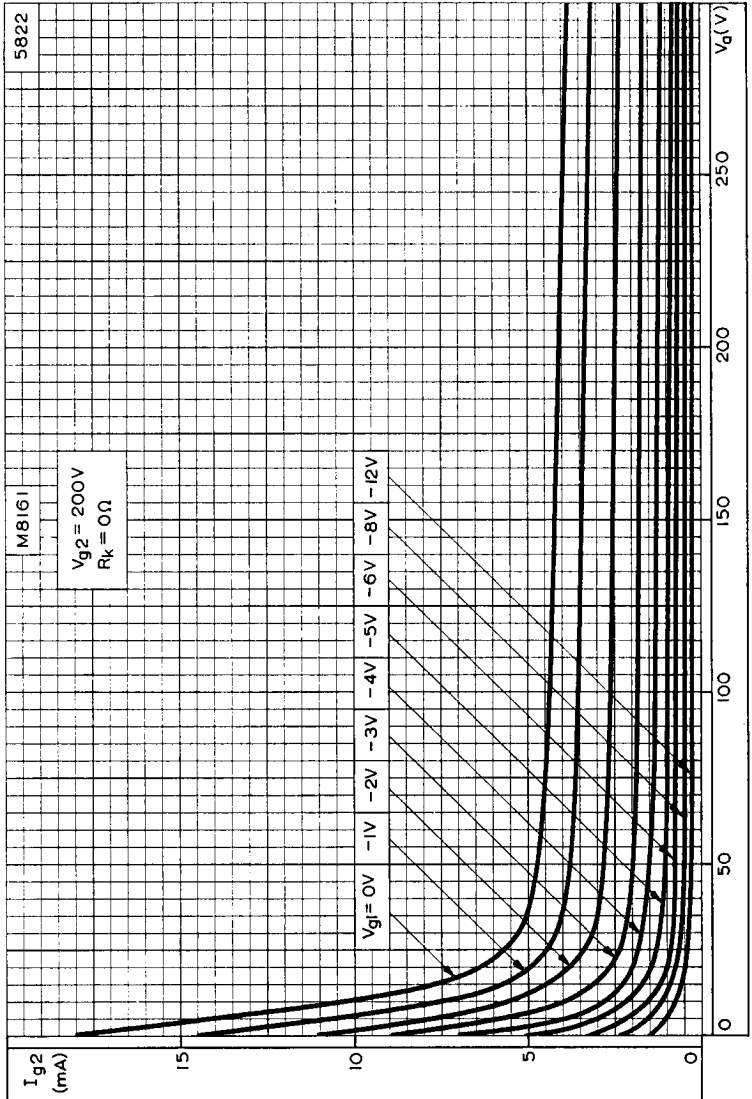
The bulb and base dimensions of this valve are in accordance with BS448 Section B7G



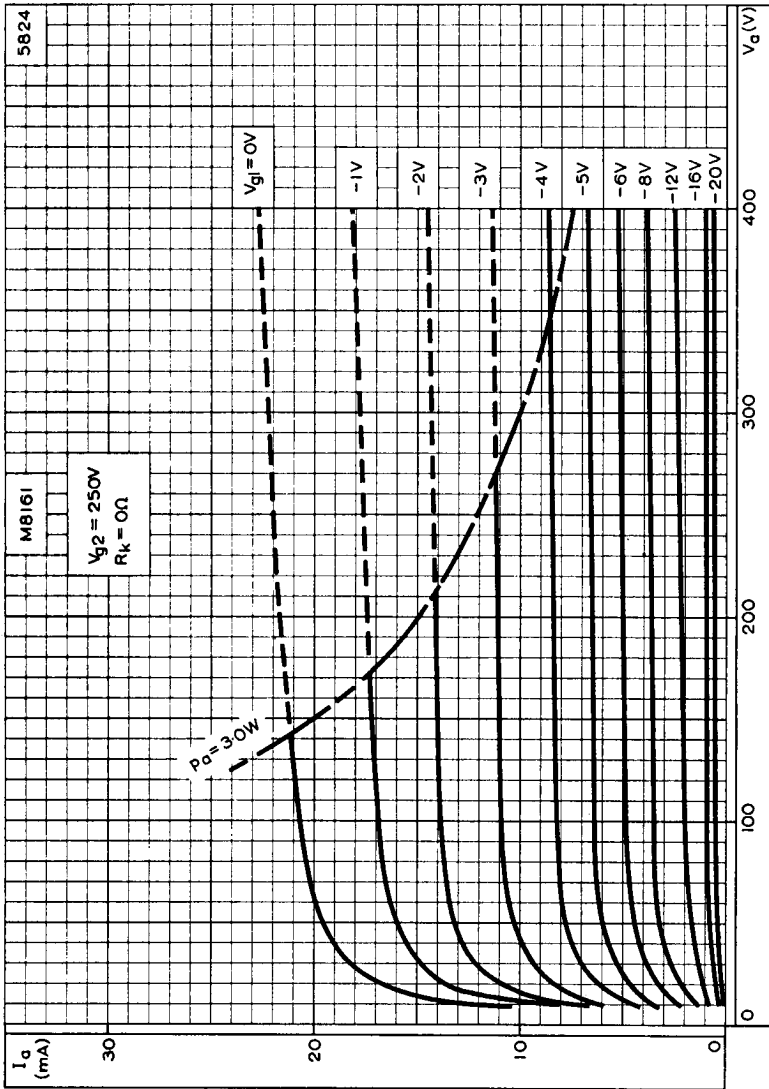
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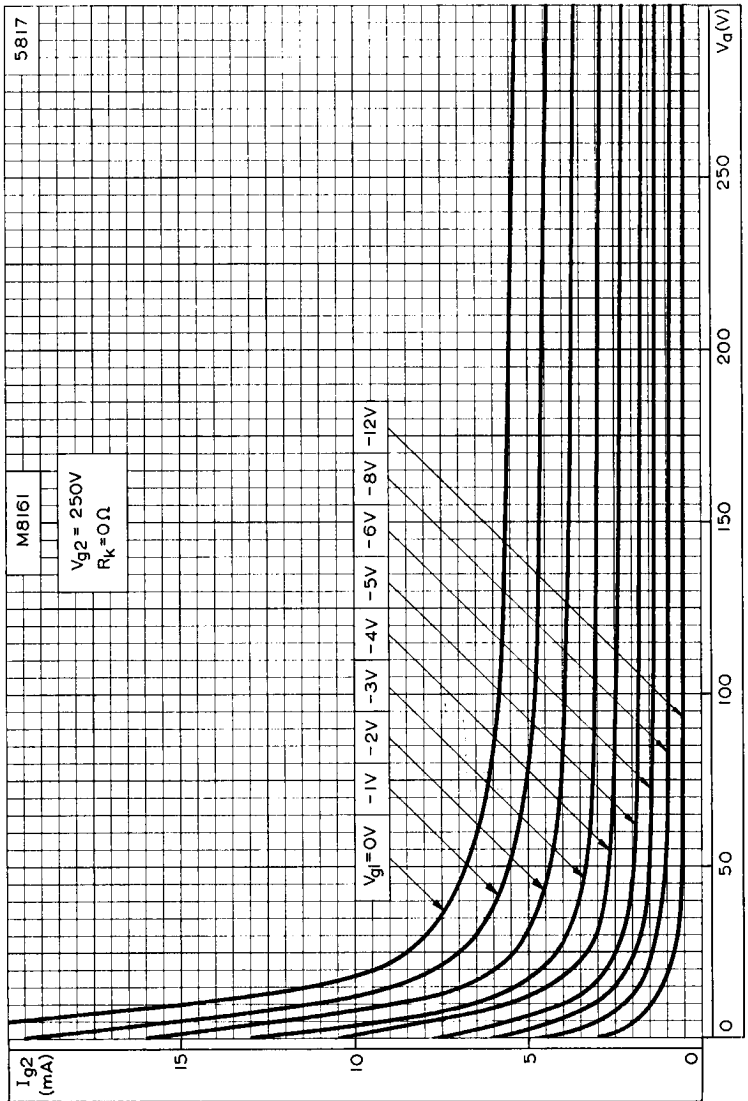
ANODE CURRENT, SCREEN-GRID CURRENT AND MUTUAL CONDUCTANCE PLOTTED AGAINST CONTROL-GRID VOLTAGE. $V_a = V_{g2} = 200V$.



SCREEN-GRID CURRENT PLOTTED AGAINST ANODE VOLTAGE WITH CONTROL-GRID VOLTAGE AS PARAMETER. $V_{g2} = 200V$.



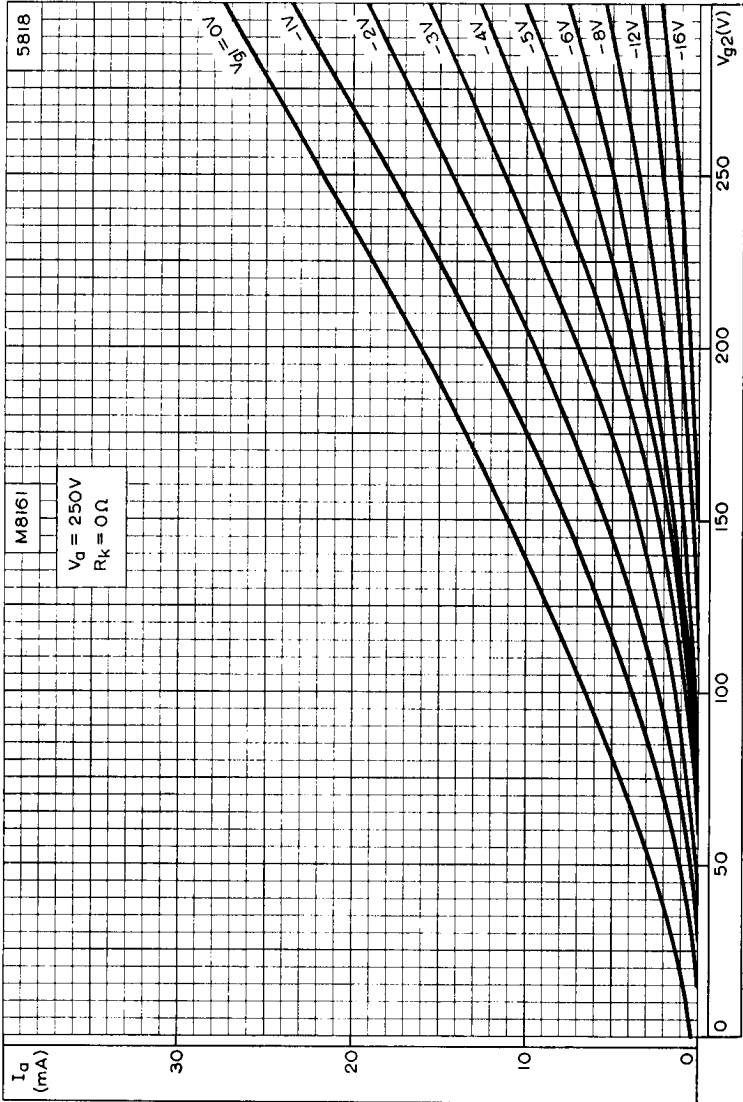
ANODE CURRENT PLOTTED AGAINST ANODE VOLTAGE WITH CONTROL-GRID VOLTAGE AS PARAMETER. $V_{g2} = 250V$.



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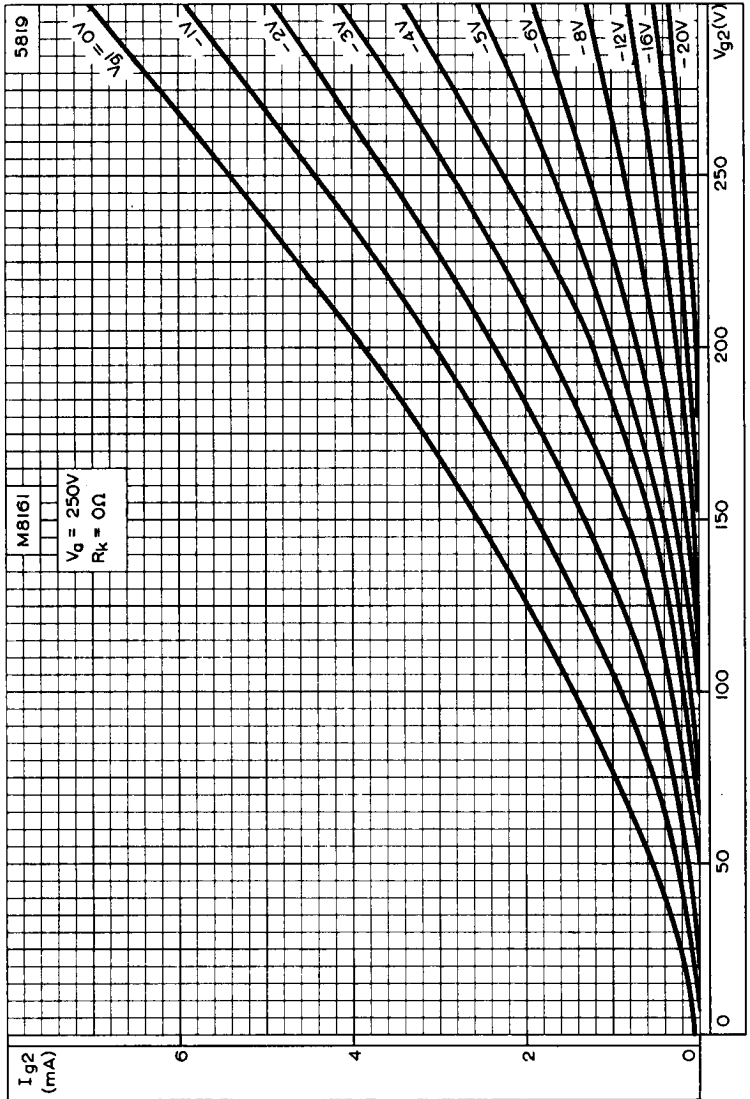
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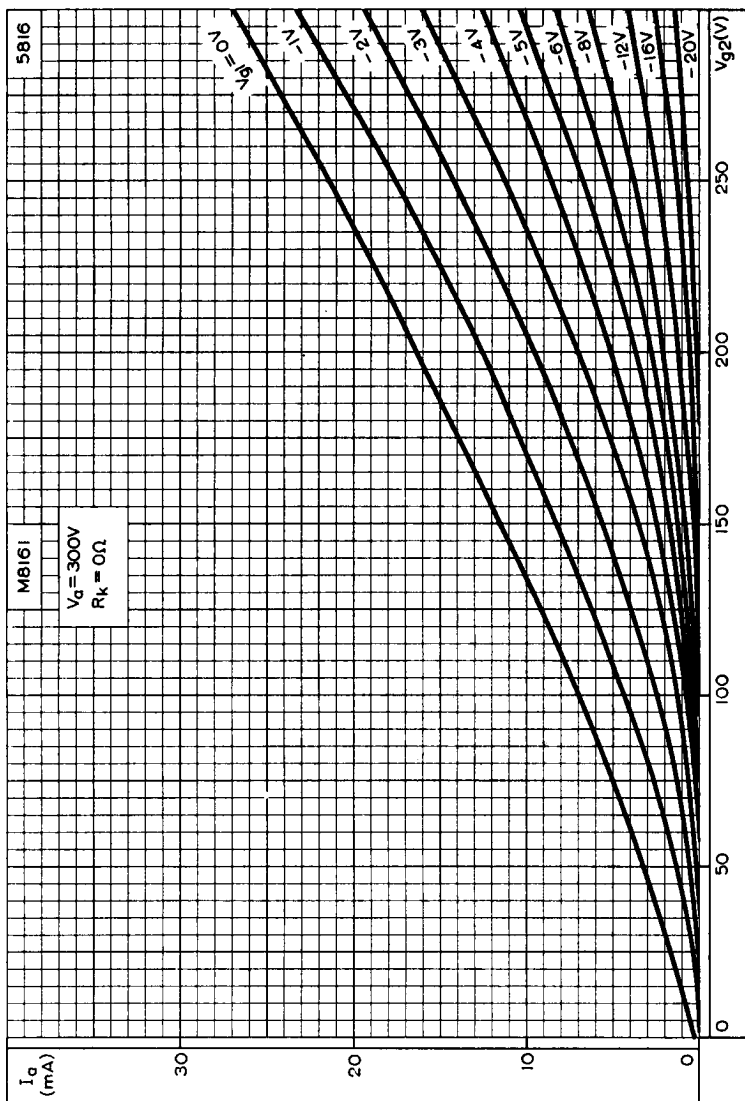


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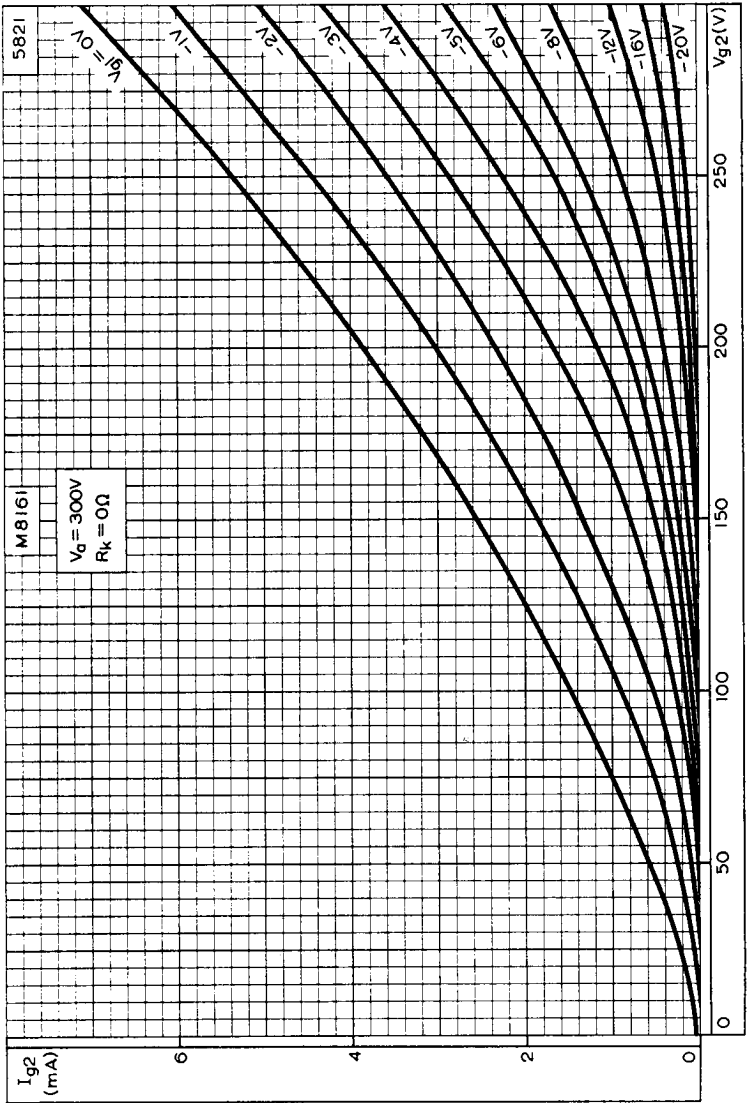




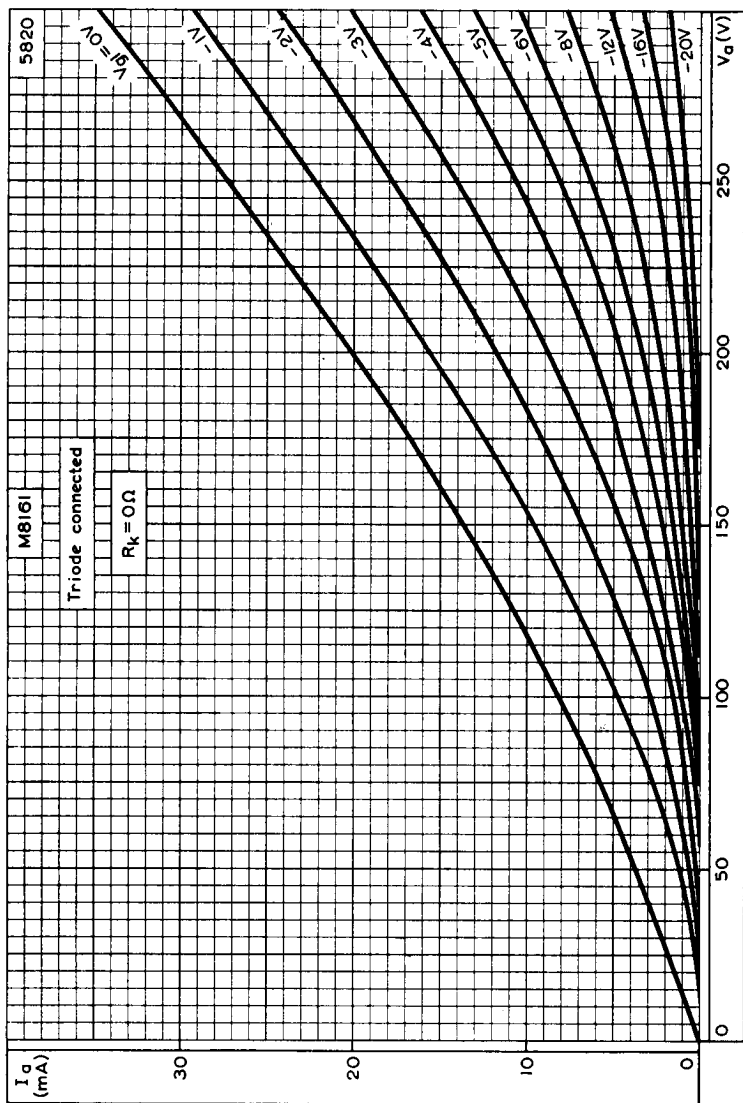
SCREEN-GRID CURRENT PLOTTED AGAINST SCREEN-GRID VOLTAGE WITH CONTROL-GRID VOLTAGE AS PARAMETER. $V_{g0} = 250V$.



ANODE CURRENT PLOTTED AGAINST SCREEN-GRID VOLTAGE WITH CONTROL-GRID VOLTAGE AS PARAMETER. $V_a = 300V$.



SCREEN-GRID CURRENT PLOTTED AGAINST SCREEN-GRID VOLTAGE
WITH CONTROL-GRID VOLTAGE AS PARAMETER. $V_a = 300V$.



ANODE CURRENT PLOTTED AGAINST ANODE VOLTAGE WITH CONTROL-GRID VOLTAGE AS PARAMETER, WHEN TRIODE CONNECTED.