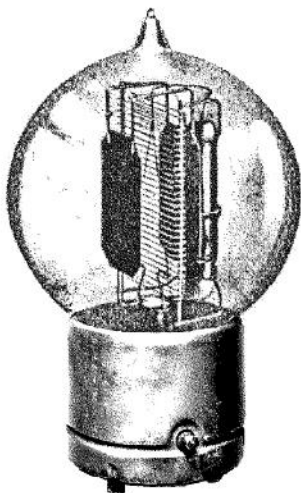


# Western Electric

## 201A/B Vacuum Tube (Type 201A as U.S. Navy type CW-186)

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### Classification—Filamentary, detector, voltage amplifier triode

The 201A tube is similar to the 102 tube except that grid constructions had thirty-seven laterals on each side instead of thirty-one. This tube had a three-contact base, specified by the Navy, the fourth connection (one side of the filament) being made to the bayonet pin (metal base shell). In the standard telephone repeater base this tube was known to the Western Electric Type D and was assigned the code number 201B.

### Applications

Audio-frequency voltage amplifier.  
Detector or modulator.

**Dimensions**—Dimensions, outline diagrams of the tube and base, and the arrangement of the electrode connections to the base terminals are shown in Figures 1 through 4.

**Base— 201A** : Navy, three-contact, bayonet type\* (the fourth connection being made to the bayonet pin.) having special contact metal at the end of contact pins.

**201B** : Medium, four-pin, bayonet type having special contact metal at the ends of the contact pins.

\* Corroded color of the long-term, was the same as BRASS, but the material was found to be a result of Nickel-silver (German silver) is polished.

**Socket— 201A** : Navy, three-contact, bayonet-slot type, with bayonet contact, preferably provided with contact-metal contacts. (refer to Figure 6, bottom right of photo)

**201B** : Four-contact, bayonet-slot type, preferably provided with contact-metal contacts, such as the Western Electric 100L for front of panel mounting or 100R for rear of panel mounting.

**Mounting Positions**—Either vertical or horizontal. If mounted in a horizontal position, the plane of the filament, which is indicated in Figure 2, Figure 4 should be vertical.

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### Average Direct Interelectrode Capacitances

	<u>A</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>C</u>
Grid to plate, $\mu\mu\text{f.}$ .....	5.0	5.4	6.5
Grid to filament, $\mu\mu\text{f.}$ .....	2.9	3.6	5.7
Plate to filament, $\mu\mu\text{f.}$ .....	1.7	2.4	4.9

Column A—Based tube without socket. (reference 102G, dataset value)

Column B—Based tube without socket. (Actual measurement value of an 102G own by itself.

Column C—Based tube without socket. (Actual measurement value of 201A (Nickel-silver base))

\*Measurement equipment: hp 4261A LCR Meter, (Test signal Freq.: 1 kHz, Level : 1 Volt)

### Filament Rating

Filament current..... 1.25 ampere, d.c.

Nominal filament voltage..... 2.5-3.0 volts

The filament of this tube is designed to operate on a current basis and should be operated at as near the rated current as is practicable. **Filament Current Must Never Exceed 1.3 Amperes.**

**Characteristics**—Electrical and mechanical information is refer to Tabular Data 4 : DWG No. ESR-255549 (8-28-29) . Plate current characteristics of 1 sample 201A tube are shown in Figure 7 as functions of grid voltage for several values of plate voltage. The grid and plate voltages are measured from the negative end of the filament. Plate current characteristics as functions of plate voltage are shown in Figure 8 for several values of grid voltage.

**TABLE** (Actual measurement value of 201A - No 36506 D )

<u>Plate Voltage</u> Volts	<u>Grid Bias</u> Volts	<u>Plate Current</u> Milli-amperes	<u>Amplification Factor</u>	<u>Plate Resistance</u> Ohms $r_p$	<u>Trans-conductance</u> Micro-mhos	<u>Input Voltage</u> Peak Volts	<u>Load Resistance</u> R	<u>Output Voltage</u> Peak Volts
130	-2.0	0.24	38.1	159000	240	2.0	$R = r_p$	28
							$R = 3r_p$	43
							$R = 5r_p$	49
130	-1.0	0.56	39.8	100000	400	1.0	$R = r_p$	18
							$R = 3r_p$	26
							$R = 5r_p$	29
*160	-3.0	0.21	36.7	180000	200	3.0	$R = r_p$	43
							$R = 3r_p$	62
							$R = 5r_p$	68
*160	-2.0	0.47	38.3	110000	350	2.0	$R = r_p$	33
							$R = 3r_p$	49
							$R = 5r_p$	54
*160	-1.0	0.90	38.7	79000	490	1.0	$R = r_p$	16
							$R = 3r_p$	25
							$R = 5r_p$	28
**190	-3.0	0.41	37.8	122000	310	3.0	$R = r_p$	46
							$R = 3r_p$	69
							$R = 5r_p$	77
**190	-2.0	0.79	38.1	85000	450	2.0	$R = r_p$	35
							$R = 3r_p$	52
							$R = 5r_p$	58
**190	-1.0	1.32	39.1	67000	580	1.0	$R = r_p$	18
							$R = 3r_p$	27
							$R = 5r_p$	30

\* Maximum operating conditions.

\*\* This data, for comparing the 201A and 102G, and are measured by exceed the maximum rating intentionally. maximum rating of 201A are  $E_B$  (max) : 150 Volts, Max input voltages : 2.5 volts.

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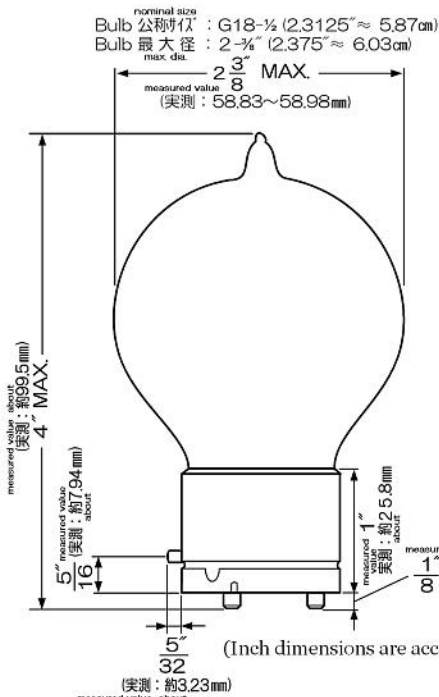


FIG. 1

201A

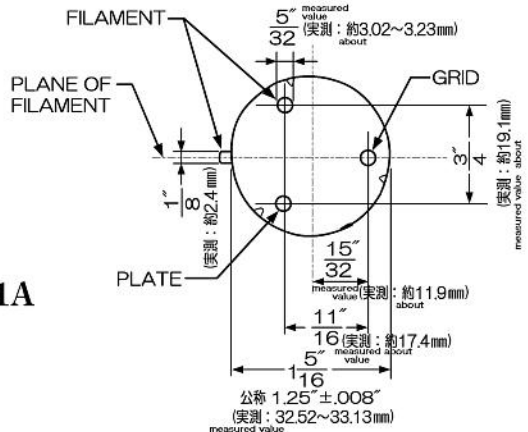


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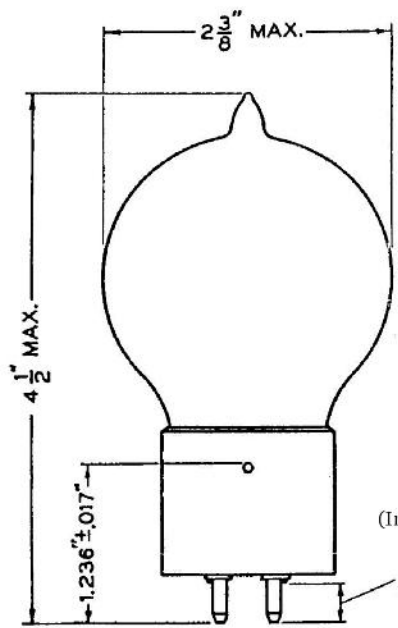


FIG. 3

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201B

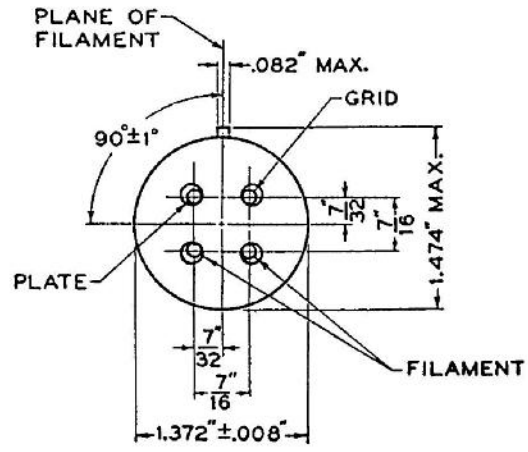


FIG. 4

(Inch dimensions are according to in the "V.T. DATA SHEET 102G ISSUE 1").

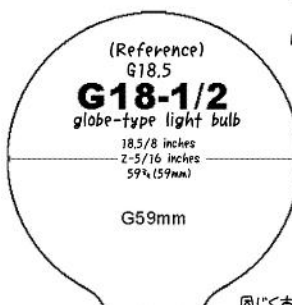


FIG. 5

注: Bulb size of G18-1/2 is the bulb shape notation, the letter "G" is bulb shape notation, the letter "18" is bulb diameter in one-eighth inch units, the number that follows the letter, within the indicates diameter of the bulb in one-eighth inch units. i.e. show that with 18-1/2 inch have 1/8 × 18.5 (18.5/18) inches diameter. When denoting normally, 2-5/16 inches in imperial system, about 59mm in metric system.

ちなみに、普通の電球「A」型。There does not seem special meaning to the letter "A", but the shape is called a "Pear Shaped" light bulb, is referred to as "PS" type part of the "A" type of "neck" is a long straight, but does not seem to have clear in Japan. Also, in Japan, refers to this when say "eggplant" bulb.

古物電球に見られる形状は「A」型と呼ばれる。所以は「Straight side」の1/2型。RCAのUX-201A等、ST管以前を代表する形状も同じ。こちら、真空管の7の個では「7」型と呼ばれるのは有名。Shape can be seen in antique bulb is referred to as the "S" type. Why's that "Straight side". The shape of the tube ST tube before such as "201A" of the RCA is also the same.

同じく古物電球に見られる形状は「T」型と呼ばれる。所以は「Tubular shape (筒型)」の1/2型。RCAの「199」や「120」等の筒形状管も同じ。小サイズの「T」型電球と呼ばれる。The same antique bulb is referred to as a "T" type. "Tubular shape (cylindrical)" why's that such as "199" or "120" in the RCA also the same. The small bulb, called "jujube bulb" in Japan.

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Sketch No. **ES164202**

TYPE	PLATES	PLATE SPACING	GRID SPACING	GRID WIRES	FILAMENT LENGTH	$I_A$	$E_B$	$I_B$	$M_0$	$R_0$	USE
D	1 1/2 x 5/8 161083	1/2"	5/8"	37x2 161083	2 5/8"	1.3	150	4 mil.	40		Detector

Tabular Data 1 : Sketch No. ES-16420Z (1918)

TYPE	A.T. & T. CODE NO.	ARMY CODE	NAVY CODE	DESCRIPTION	SPECIFICATIONS						164508
					PLATES	GRIDS	PLATE SPACING	GRID SPACING	GRID WIRES	FILAMENT	
D	201 A 201 B			THREE CONTACT BAK FOUR	1 1/2 x 5/8 161083	1 1/2 x 5/8 161083	1/2 161273	5/8 161273	37x2 161083	2 5/8"	G 18 1/2

Tabular Data 2 : Sketch No. ES-164508 (1918)

**ES-271024**

*201*

VACUUM TUBES AND VACUUM TUBE SOCKETS  
For reference only. Subject to change without notice.

NOTE: All repeater bulbs and repeater bulb sockets are known, now, as vacuum tubes and vacuum tube sockets respectively. Vacuum tubes designed for use by the A.T. & T. and Associated Bell Companies either as repeaters, oscillators, or modulators will be referred to as vacuum tubes.  
7 copies for Mr. J.L. McQuarrie (3 for Mr. Gill, 3 for Mr. W.C. Adams.

LABORATORY IDENTIFICATION	CODE NUMBERS				STATUS	REMARKS	USED AS	VACUUM TUBE SOCKETS			
	E. T. CODE		NAVY CODE					CODE NUMBER	STATUS	REMARKS	
	W. E. ASSOC.	AS SOC.	ARMY CODE	NAVY CODE							
2	201-A			201-186	Obsolete	Has no property marking. Three point contact to fit U.S. Navy sockets.	Voltage Amplifier Detector	Never tested - supplied by W.E. Co.			Preliminary design of 3 point socket shown on ES-189810. Only sample made.

Tabular Data 3 : Sketch No. ES-271024 (Issue 3 Nov. 1922)

注：3接点ソケットの実際の形状は、Fig.6 を参照。(写真の右下)

NOTE: The actual shape of the three-conductor socket, see Fig.6. (Bottom right of the photo)

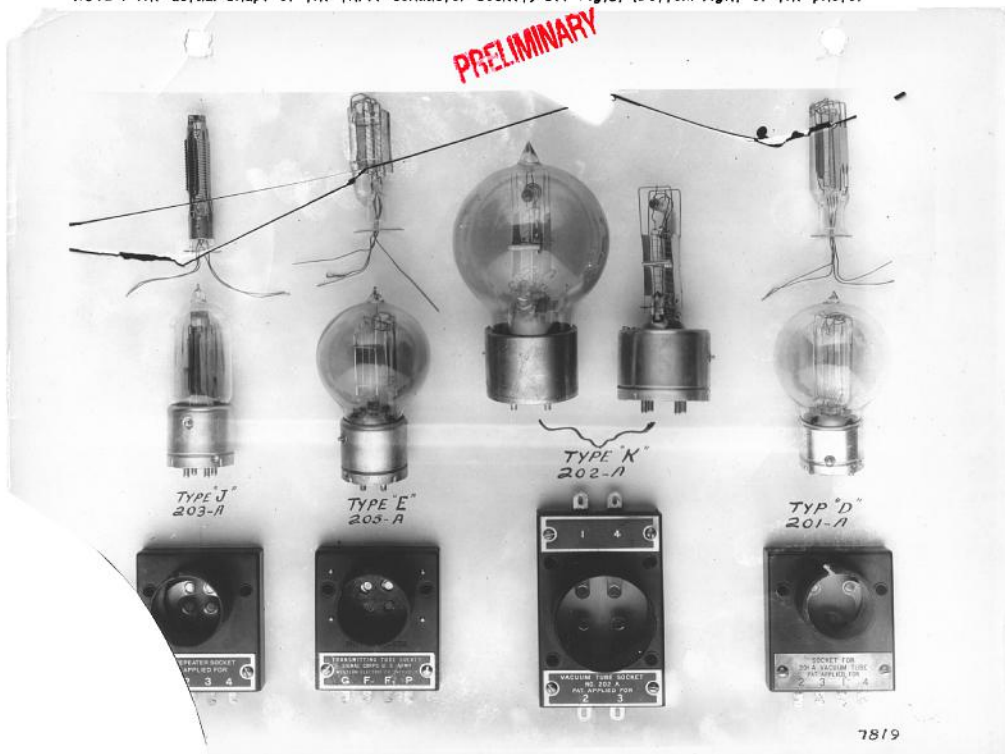


FIG. 6

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CODE NUMBERS																		
LAB TYPE NO.	W.E. CODE	A.T.&T. CODE	ARMY CODE	NAVY CODE	SPEC. NO.	DRAWING NO.	PHOTO NO.	BIB. B.	SOCKET	USES	I <sub>A</sub> AMPS	E <sub>A</sub> VOLTS	E <sub>B</sub> NORM VOLTS	E <sub>B</sub> MAX VOLTS	I <sub>B</sub> MILS NORM	E <sub>c</sub> VOLTS	μ	MAX. INPUT VOLTS
D	201A			CW 188 M	3030		8737	G 18½	NOT STANDARD	VOLTAGE AMPLIFIER DETECTOR	1.25	25-30	100	150	4-90	0-15	37-44	2.5
D	201B						8720-A	G 18½	203 B W.E. STAND.	VOLTAGE AMPLIFIER DETECTOR	1.25	25-30	100	150	4-90	0-15	37-44	2.5

20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
IMPED. R <sub>a</sub> @	POWER	REMARKS	PLATE S	GRIDS	PLATE SPACING	GRID SPACING	GRID WIRES	FILAMENT	BASE	LAB. TYPE NO.
70000-100000		OBS- METAL SHELL IS ONE TERMINAL CONNECTION.	1 7/8 X 7/8 181083	1 1/2 X 7/8 181083	1/2 181473	7/8 181473	37 X 2 181083	2 1/2	3CONTACT	D
70000-100000		OBS- REPLACED BY TYPE V.	1 1/2 X 7/8 181083	1 1/2 X 7/8 181083	1/2 181473	7/8 181473	37 X 2 181083	2 1/2	4CONTACT	D

NOTES:  
 ① PLATE CURRENTS (I<sub>p</sub>) GIVEN ARE FOR NORMAL PLATE VOLTAGE (E<sub>p</sub>) AND ZERO GRID POTENTIAL (E<sub>c</sub>).  
 ② IMPEDANCES (R<sub>a</sub>) GIVEN ARE FOR NORMAL PLATE VOLTAGE (E<sub>p</sub>) AND ZERO GRID POTENTIAL (E<sub>c</sub>).  
 ③ OTHER PLATE VOLTAGES TO 200% MAY BE USED WHEN PROPER ADJUSTMENTS OF THE GRID POTENTIAL ARE MADE.  
 ④ 200% LICENSED FOR GOVERNMENTAL COMMUNICATION PURPOSES IN U.S.A.

NOTE: THIS DRAWING FOR USE IN DEPT 220 ONLY.

**VACUUM TUBE INFORMATION**

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ESR-255549

注：この資料は、Western Electric 201-A の規格を紹介するために、JL10RW/T.Kishimoto が、②から Type D (201A, 201B) に関係する部分を選択したものを、出典が判るよう、②のタイトル及び版数欄に添付した。NOTE: This Tabular Data is introduce a specifications of Western Electric 201-A tube, except pertinent portions to Type D (201A, 201B) from the drawing, by JL10RW/T.Kishimoto. Source to As is apparent, I left the edition number field and the title of the drawing.

Tabular Data 4 : Drawing No, ESR-255549 (Issue 4 8-28-29)

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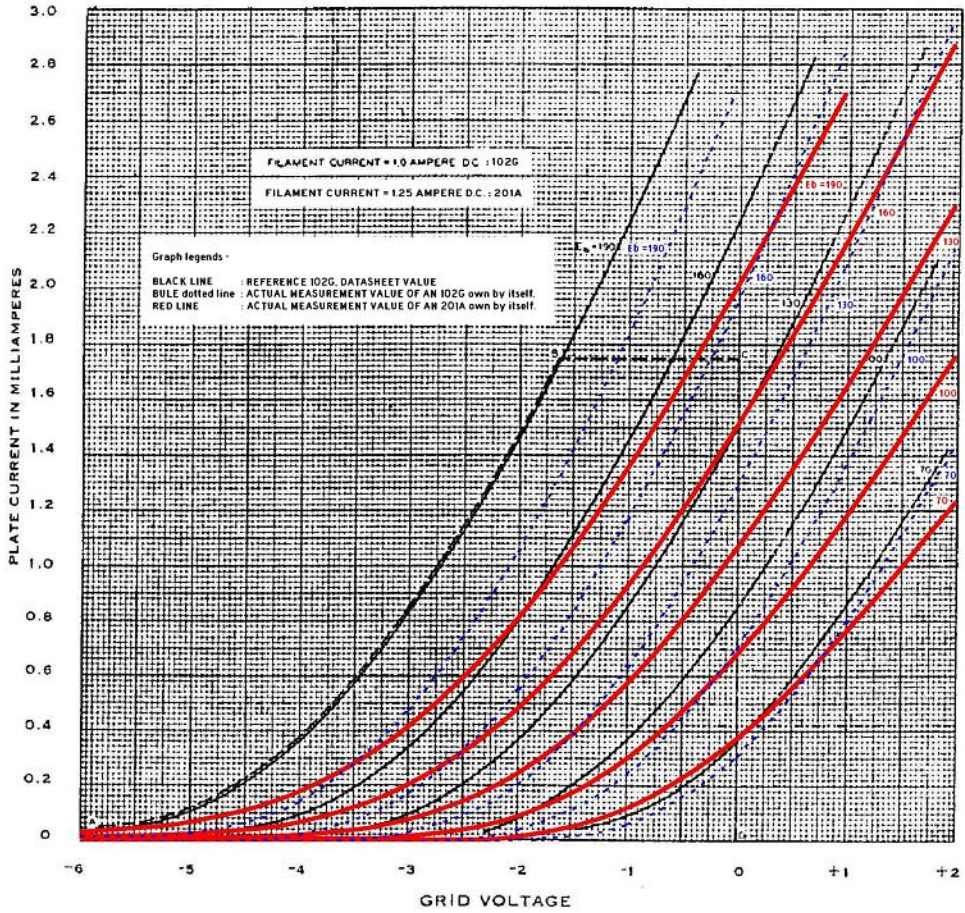


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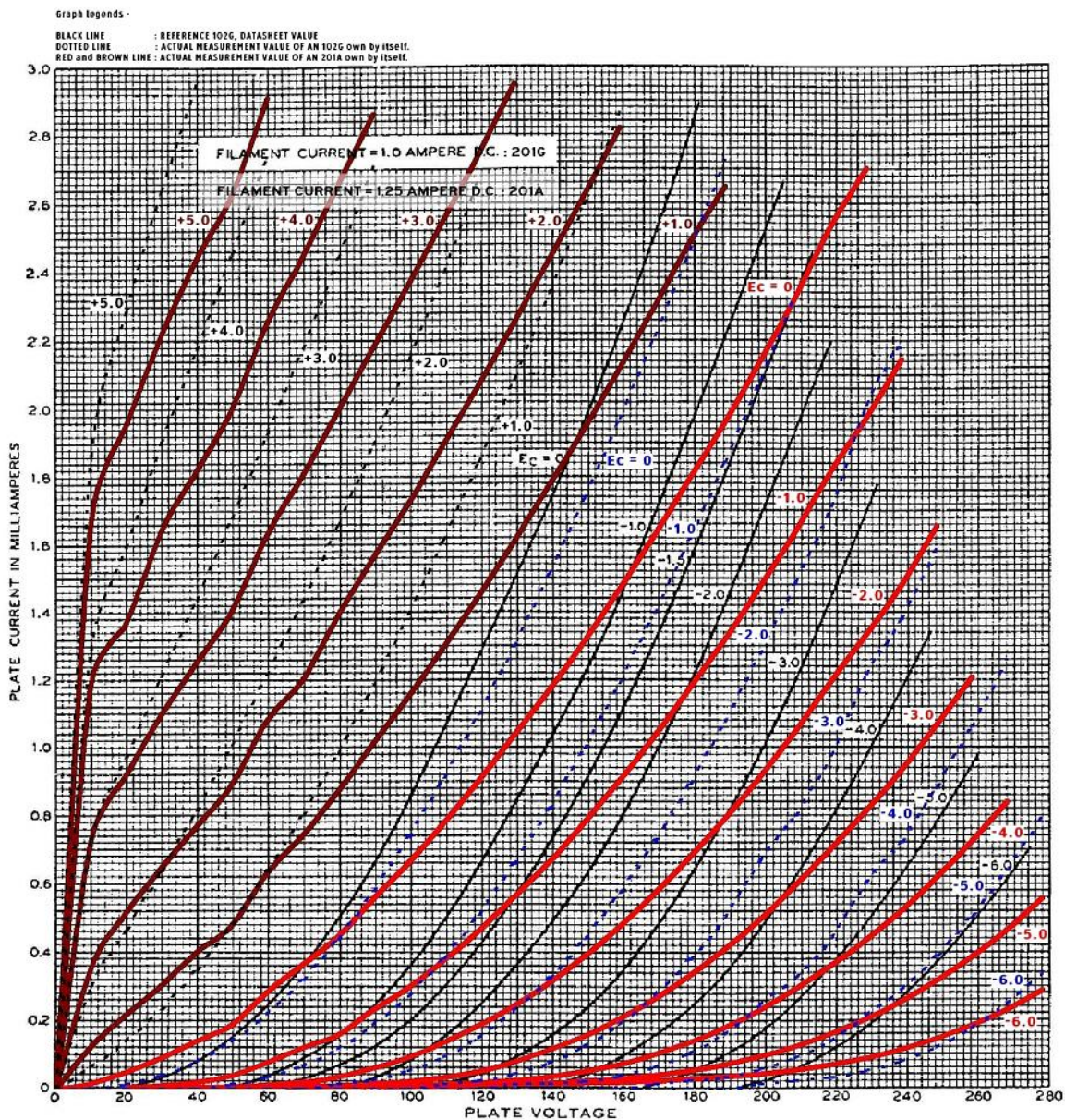


FIG. 8

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 2) John W. Stokes "70 Years of Radio Tubes and Valves"  
 3) "The Complete Western Electric Vacuum Tube Library" by James Cross  
 4) "V.T. DATA SHEET 102G, ISSUE 1" BELL Telephone Lab (A.T. & T) and Western Electric Company  
 5) "Western Electric Type Z01A" Reverse Time Page, Mike Schultz ([http://uvz01.com/Tube\\_Pages/we\\_Z01a.htm](http://uvz01.com/Tube_Pages/we_Z01a.htm))  
 6) "West. Elect. Z01-A" Bill's Vintage tube Site, Bill Condon (<http://www.bill01a.com/tubepotos/we-Z01a.htm>)  
 7) "W.E. tubes Part 1" TUBE & VALVE GALLERY, EU VALVE (<http://www.3osk3web.ne.jp/~euvalve/gallery/wepart1.html>)  
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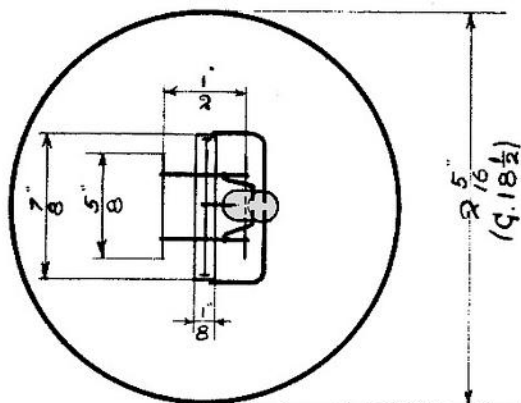
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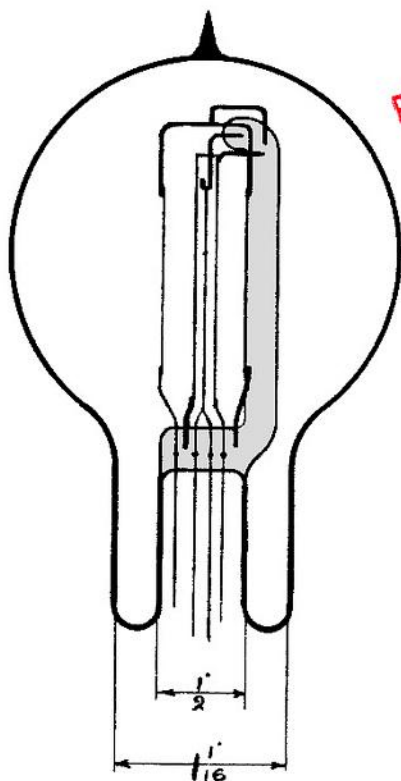
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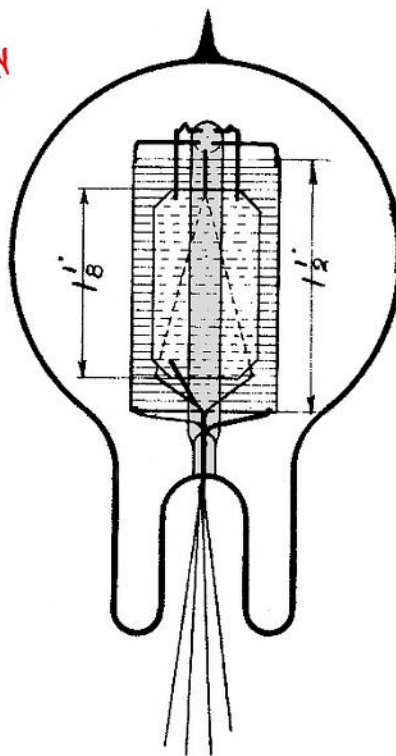
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GRID	31 X 2
ANCHOR WIRES	.015 NICKEL
FILAMENT	E. 7
SUPPORT ROD	3/16" DIAM.



**PRELIMINARY**



## TYPE V - VACUUM TUBE.

TYPE D SAME AS V EXCEPT GRID IS 37 X 2

WJL  
RFT.

SCALE - FULL SIZE

FIG. 9





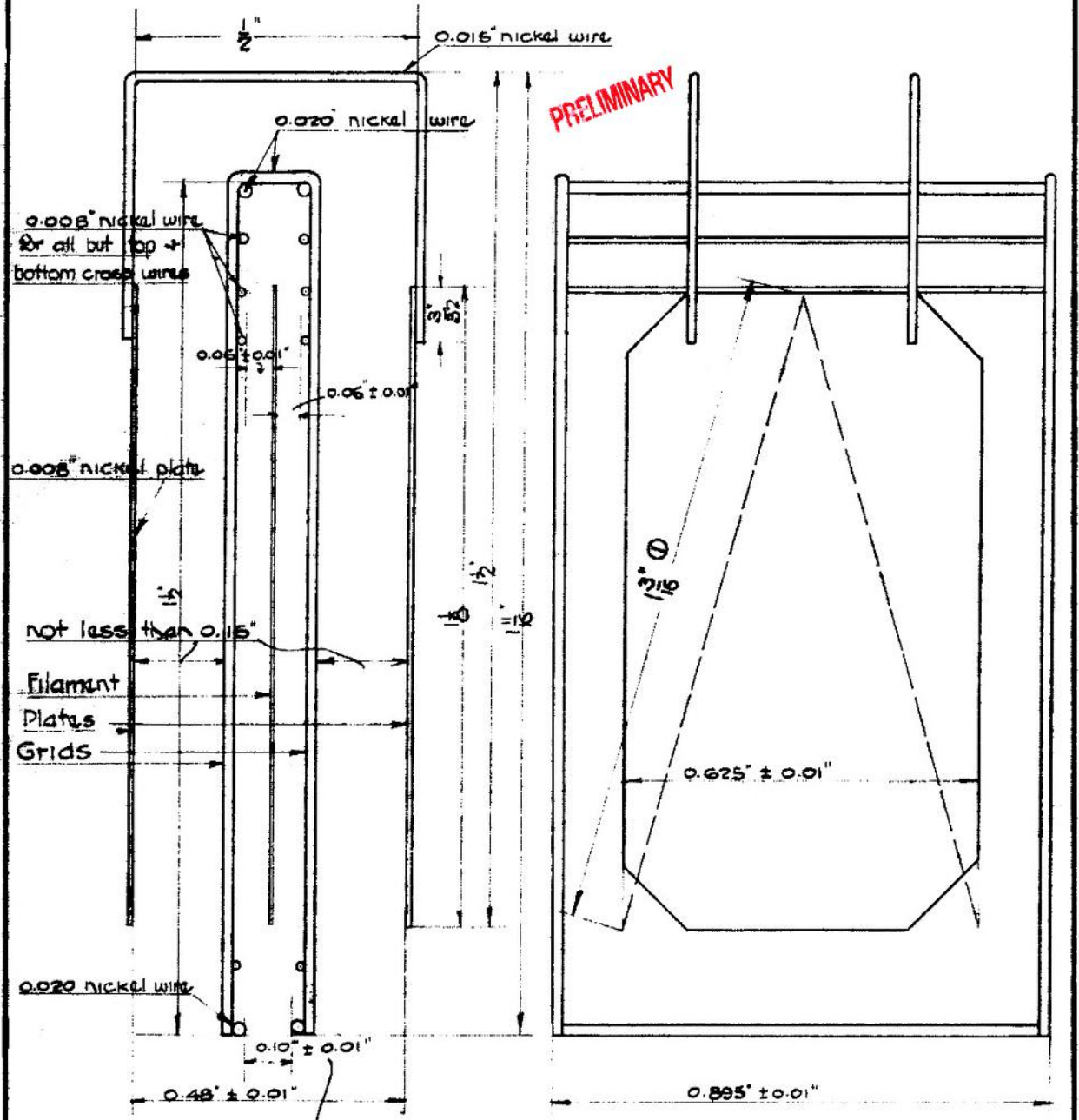
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Sketch No. **ES 162581**

## VACUUM TUBES GRID, PLATE and FILAMENT SPACING



This dimension to apply between top and bottom cross wires; do not measure at the welds.

Note: Dimensions given in decimals must be strictly adhered to.

Types D, 102A and 201A.

ISSUE 1. 7-30-17
DIM. ① WAS 2 3/8
ISSUE 2. 8-15-17.

FIG. 11