X-390*
BACKWARD WAVE
CONVERTER
TUBE

TENTATIVE

GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

The X-390 is a single tube designed to convert UHF signals in the band from 853-1543 megacycles to a 50 megacycle intermediate frequency output signal.

The tube consists of a backward-wave amplifier and a backward wave oscillator in the same vacuum envelope. The r-f input signal is fed to the amplifier section where its level is increased. It is then mixed with the oscillator signal in the common electron beam that interacts with both r-f structures, to yield an i-f output signal which can be adjusted over a fairly large frequency range. This tube uses a 50 megacycle i-f.

The X-390 is a glass tube, mounted in an aluminum capsule. Solenoid focusing is required. A type TNC r-f input connector a "TSM" i-f output connector are included as an integral part of the capsule. A type "TNC" l-o output connector can be supplied if required.

ELECTRICAL DATA

Operating Frequency
Bandwidth of Input Section
Noise Figure
I-F Output
Conversion Gain
Image Rejection

853-1543 megacycles 10-25 megacycles 20 db 50 megacycles Unity 35 db

Note: The image rejection is dependent upon the intermediate frequency selected. This tube utilizes a 50 megacycle i-f, an increase in the i-f would result in a higher level of image rejection.

*This number identifies a particular experimental tube design, such number and identification data being subject tochange without notice. This tube is for experimental purposes only, carries no obligation for future manufacture, and should not be used for design purposes without prior arrangement.

MECHANICAL DATA

Mounting Position

Capsule Length

Capsule Outside Diameter

R-F Input Connector

I-F Output Connector

L-O Output Connector (if required)

D. C. Connections

Horizontal (preferred)

47-1/2 inches

Type "TNC" coaxial, female

Type "TSM" coaxial, male

Type "TNC" coaxial, female

Color coded flying leads

MAXIMUM RATINGS

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7.5 Volts maximum
Heater Voltage
                                            4.5 Amperes maximum
Heater Current
                                  -200 to -1450 Volts maximum
Cathode Voltage
Cathode Current
                                              8 ma maximum
Focus Voltage
                                      O to -10 Volts maximum)
                                     +10 to +75 Volts maximum)
                                                                With respect
Anode No. 1 Voltage
Anode No. 2 Voltage
                                    +10 to +100 Volts maximum)
                                                                 to cathode
Anode No. 3 Voltage
                                    +30 to +300 Volts maximum)
Anode No. 4 Voltage
                                    +80 to +900 Volts maximum)
Anode No. 5 Voltage
Amplifier Helix No. 1 Voltage
                                           Zero Volts (Ground)
Amplifier Helix No. 2 Voltage
Capsule Voltage
Oscillator Helix Voltage
                                     -50 to +55 Volts maximum
Collector Voltage
                                            250 Volts maximum
                                             .3 ma maximum
Focus Current
Anode No. 1 Current
                                             .3 ma maximum
                                             .3 ma maximum
Anode No. 2 Current
Anode No. 3 Current
                                             .3 ma maximum
Anode No. 4 Current
                                             .3 ma maximum
                                             .3 ma maximum
Anode No. 5 Current
Amplifier Helix No. 1 Current)
Amplifier Helix No. 2 Current)
                                             .5 ma maximum
Capsule Current
Oscillator Helix Current
                                             .3 ma maximum
Collector Current
                                              8 ma maximum
Solenoid Magnetic Field
                                            600 Gauss maximum
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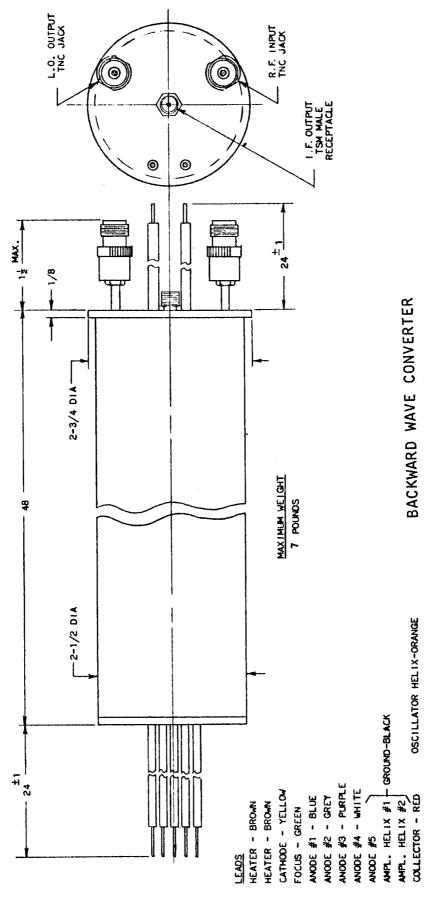
TYPICAL OPERATION

	1000	1.0
R-F Frequency	1200	megacycles
L-O Frequency	1150	megacycles
I-F Frequency	50	megacycles
Conversion Gain	0	db
Heater Voltage	7.0	Volts
Heater Current	3.9	Amperes
Cathode Voltage	-545	Volts with respect to ground
Cathode Current	4.0	ma
Focus Voltage	0	Volts)
Anode No. 1 Voltage	39	Volts)
Anode No. 2 Voltage	51	Volts) With respect to cathode
Anode No. 3 Voltage	70	Volts)
Anode No. 4 Voltage	230	Volts)
Anode No. 5 Voltage)		
Amplifier Helix No. 1 Voltage)		
Amplifier Helix No. 2 Voltage)	0	Volts (Ground)
Capsule Voltage)		- \
Oscillator Helix Voltage	-40	Volts)
Collector Voltage	200	Volts) with respect to ground
Focus Current	0	ma
Anode No. 1 Current	:07	ma
Anode No. 2 Current	.04	ma
Anode No. 3 Current	.04	ma
Anode No. 4 Current	. 05	ma
Anode No. 5 Current	.06	ma
Amplifier Helix No. 1 Current)		
Amplifier Helix No. 2 Current)	.08	ma
Capsule Current)		
Oscillator Helix Current	.02	ma
Collector Current	3.6	ma
Solenoid Magnetic Field	500	Gauss
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Additional information for specific application can be obtained from the:

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