X-397\*
BACKWARD WAVE
AMPLIFIER
TUBE

### TENTATIVE

#### GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

The X-397 is a C-band backward wave amplifier tube with a helical wave propagation structure employing continuous beam operation. The tube is designed for use as a narrow band medium noise r-f amplifier with a pass band that can be electronically tuned over the frequency range of 3850 to 6000 megacycles.

The X-397 is a glass envelope tube mounted in an aluminum capsule and requires a solenoid to focus the electron beam. Type "TNC" female r-f connectors are included as an integral part of the capsule.

#### ELECTRICAL DATA

Frequency Range Pass Band (3 db) Small Signal Gain Noise Figure

3850-6000 megacycles 8 to 33 megacycles 20 db minimum 15 db maximum

#### MECHANICAL DATA

Mounting Position Capsule Length Capsule Diameter Net Weight R-F Connectors D. C. Connections Cooling Any
20 inches
1-1/8 inches
2 pounds
Type "TNC", female
Color Coded Flying Leads
Not Required

\*This number identifies a particular experimental tube design, such number and identification data being subject to change 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.

# MAXIMUM RATINGS

| Heater Voltage          | 6.5                                     | Volts dc maximum               |
|-------------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| Heater Current          | 2                                       | Amperes maximum                |
| Cathode Voltage         | -250 to -1200                           | Volts maximum                  |
| Cathode Current         | 4                                       | ma maximum                     |
| Focus Voltage           | -10 to +10                              | Volts maximum)                 |
| Anode No. 1 Voltage     | +5 to +80                               | Volts maximum)                 |
| Anode No. 2 Voltage     | +5 to +100                              | Volts maximum)                 |
| Anode No. 3 Voltage     | +20 to +300                             | Volts maximum) with respect to |
| Anode No. 4 Voltage     | +70 <b>to</b> +800                      | Volts maximum) cathode         |
| Anode No. 5 Voltage)    | ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, | •                              |
| Helix No. 1 Voltage)    |   |                                |
| Helix No. 2 Voltage)    |   | Zero Volts (Ground)            |
| Capsule Voltage )       |   | •                              |
| Collector Voltage       | 250                                     | Volts maximum                  |
| Focus Current           | .2                                      | ma maximum                     |
| Anode No. 1 Current     | .2                                      | ma maximum                     |
| Anode No. 2 Current     | .2                                      | ma maximum                     |
| Anode No. 3 Current     | .2                                      | ma maximum                     |
| Anode No. 4 Current     | .2                                      | ma maximum                     |
| Anode No. 5 Current     | .2                                      | ma maximum                     |
| Helix No. 1 Current)    |   |                                |
| Helix No. 2 Current)    | •3                                      | ma maximum                     |
| Capsule Current )       |   |                                |
| Collector Current       | 4                                       | ma maximum                     |
| Solenoid Magnetic Field | 800                                     | Gauss maximum                  |
|                         |   |                                |

## TYPICAL OPERATION

| Frequency (Center of Pass Band) Pass Band (3 db) Small Signal Gain Noise Figure Heater Voltage | 5000<br>20<br>23<br>12<br>6.3 | megacycles<br>megacycles<br>db<br>db<br>Vdc |
|--|-------------------------------|---|
| Heater Current   | 1.9                           | Adc   |
| Cathode Voltage  | -610                          | Vdc with respect to ground                  |
| Cathode Current  | 2.0                           | ma  |
| Focus Voltage  | <b>-</b> 5                    | Vdc)  |
| Anode No. 1 Voltage  | +15                           | Vdc)  |
| Anode No. 2 Voltage  | +12                           | Vdc) with respect to cathode                |
| Anode No. 3 Voltage  | +80                           | Vdc)  |
| Anode No. 4 Voltage  | +200                          | Vdc)  |
| Anode No. 5 Voltage)   |                               |   |
| Helix No. 1 Voltage)   |                               |   |
| Helix No. 2 Voltage)   |                               | Zero Volts (Ground)                         |
| Capsule Voltage )  |                               |   |
| Collector Voltage  | 200                           | Volts with respect to ground                |
| Focus Current  | 0                             | ma  |

| Anode No. 1 Current  | .10 | ma    |
|----------------------|-----|-------|
| Anode No. 2 Current  | .05 | ma    |
| Anode No. 3 Current  | .03 | ma    |
| Anode No. 4 Current  | .02 | ma    |
| Anode No. 5 Current  | .03 | ma    |
| Helix No. 1 Current) |     |       |
| Helix No. 2 Current) | .05 | ma    |
| Capsule Current )    |     |       |
| Collector Current    | 1.7 | ma    |
| Magnetic Field       | 700 | gauss |

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