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## REMOTE-CUTOFF BEAM PENTODE

### GENERAL DATA

#### **Electrical:**

Heater, for Unipotential Cathode:

Voltage. . . . .	6.3	ac or dc	volts
Current. . . . .	0.6	amp	

Mu-Factor, Grid No.2 to

Grid No.1 . . .	5
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Direct Interelectrode Capacitances:

Grid No.1 to Plate . . . . .	0.018	μμf
Input. . . . .	7.5	μμf
Output . . . . .	1.6	μμf

#### **Mechanical:**

Mounting Position. . . . . Any

Overall Length . . . . . 6-1/2" ± 1/4"

Seated Length. . . . . 6" ± 1/4"

Maximum Diameter . . . . . 1-1/2"

Cap. . . . . Small

Base . . . . . Small-Shell Duodecal 7-Pin

Basing Designation for BOTTOM VIEW . . . . .	12J
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Pin 1 - Heater

Pin 10 - Grid No.2

Pin 2 - Grid No.1

Pin 11 - Cathode

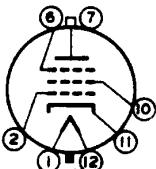
Pin 6 - Grid No.3

Pin 12 - Heater

Pin 7 - Internal Con.-

Cap - Plate

Do Not Use



Bulb Temperature . . . . . 220 max. °C

### VOLTAGE-CONTROL SERVICE

#### **Maximum CCS\* Ratings, Absolute Values:**

DC PLATE VOLTAGE . . . . . 30000 max. volts

DC GRID-No.3 VOLTAGE . . . . . 6600 max. volts

DC GRID-No.2 VOLTAGE . . . . . 450 max. volts

DC GRID-No.1 VOLTAGE:

Negative bias value. . . . .	-200 max.	volts
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Positive bias value. . . . .	0 max.	volts
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Positive peak value. . . . .	2 max.	volts
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MAX.-SIGNAL DC PLATE VOLTAGE . . . . . 500 max. volts

MAX.-SIGNAL GRID-No.3 INPUT. . . . . 1 max. watt

MAX.-SIGNAL GRID-No.2 INPUT. . . . . 0.1 max. watt

PLATE DISSIPATION. . . . . 10 max. watts

PEAK HEATER-CATHODE VOLTAGE:

Heater negative with respect to cathode:

During equipment warm-up period	450 max.	volts
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not exceeding 15 seconds . . . . .	450 max.	volts
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After equipment warm-up period . . . . .	165 max.	volts
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Heater positive with respect to cathode.	165 max.	volts
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## Typical Operation as Shunt Voltage-

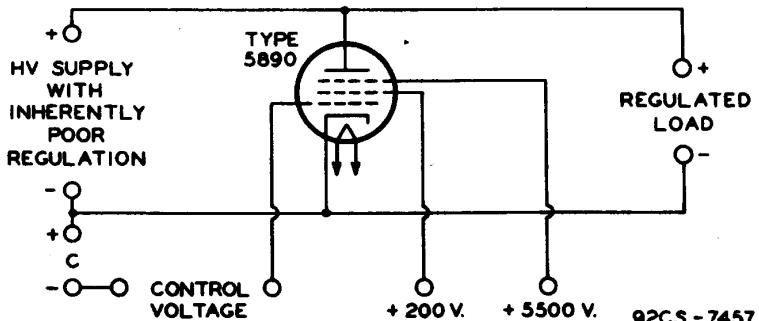
## Regulator Tube in Accompanying Circuit

DC Plate Voltage . . . . .	20000	30000	volts
DC Grid-No.3 Voltage . . . . .	5500	5500	volts
DC Grid-No.2 Voltage* . . . . .	200	200	volts
DC Grid-No.1 Voltage** . . . . .	-60	-60	volts
Peak Grid-No.1 Voltage . . . . .	45	20	volts
Zero-Sig. DC Plate Cur. . . . .	0	0	$\mu$ amp
Max.-Sig. DC Plate Cur. . . . .	500	60	$\mu$ amp
Zero-Sig. DC Grid-No.3 Cur. . . . .	0	0	$\mu$ amp
Max.-Sig. DC Grid-No.3 Cur. . . . .	0	0	$\mu$ amp
Zero-Sig. DC Grid-No.2 Cur. . . . .	0	0	$\mu$ amp
Max.-Sig. DC Grid-No.2 Cur. . . . .	0	0	$\mu$ amp
Grid-No.1 Bias (Approx.) for plate current of 10 $\mu$ amp. . . . .	-52	-52	volts
Grid-No.1—Plate Transconductance . . . . .	11	3	$\mu$ hos

● continuous commercial service.

\* Subject to variation of  $\pm 40\%$  if grid-No.1 voltage is desired at indicated value.\*\* Subject to variation of  $\pm 40\%$  if grid-No.2 voltage is desired at indicated value.

## Shunt Voltage-Regulator Circuit



NOTE: THE CONTROL VOLTAGE MAY BE TAKEN FROM THE LOAD CIRCUIT OR FROM A CIRCUIT SUPPLYING SIGNAL TO THE LOAD CIRCUIT, DEPENDING ON THE TYPE OF LOAD INVOLVED.

## OPERATING NOTES

Operation of the 5890 with a plate voltage above approximately 16000 volts results in the production of soft x-rays which can constitute a health hazard on prolonged exposure unless the tube is adequately shielded. Relatively simple shielding should prove adequate, but the need for this precaution should be considered in equipment design.

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