

BACKWARD-WAVE OSCILLATOR

BA9-20

Frequency: 'X' band, electronically tunable.

Power output: 20mW minimum.

Construction: Demountable, prefocused capsule, with d.c. voltage isolation between the output connection and delay structure.

Modulation: Amplitude, pulse or frequency.

This data should be read in conjunction with GENERAL OPERATIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS - MICROWAVE DEVICES: INTRODUCTION and BACKWARD-WAVE OSCILLATORS which precede this section of the handbook.

CHARACTERISTICS

Frequency electronically tunable over the range	Min. 7.5	Max. 12	← Gc/s
Delay structure voltage			
$f = 7.5\text{Gc/s}$	380	410	V
$f = 11.5\text{Gc/s}$	1.3	1.5	kV
Sensitivity over frequency range	2.0	10	Mc/s per V
Power output over frequency range	20	—	mW
Grid voltage for maximum output	—	0	V
for zero output	—	-100	V
Signal to noise ratio per c/s of bandwidth	160	—	dB per c/s

CATHODE

Indirectly heated

V_h	6.3	V
I_h	1.7	A
$I_{h(\text{surge}) \text{ max.}}$	4.0	A

The cathode must be heated for at least 2 minutes before the application of h.t. voltage.

CAPACITANCES

$C_{h,k \text{ -all}}$	< 10	pF
$C_{g \text{ -all}}$	< 13	pF
$C_{a \text{ -all}}$	< 6.0	pF
$C_{\text{delay structure -all}}$	< 8.0	pF

TYPICAL OPERATION

f	7.5	9.0	11	← Gc/s
$V_{\text{delay structure}}$	0.39	0.64	1.2	kV
$I_{\text{delay structure}}$	20	21	22	mA
V_a	150	150	150	V
I_a	4.0	4.0	4.0	mA
V_g	0	0	0	V
P_{out}	30	75	75	mW

OPERATING SEQUENCE

See appropriate section in General operational recommendations - microwave devices: backward-wave oscillators.

COOLING

Forced-air.

The cooling air requirements for the tube in the mounts SB-1 and SB-2 are given in the curve on page C3.

When the mount PB-1 is used a minimum flow of cooling air of 3ft³/min. should be directed as shown on the outline drawing on page D3.

$T_{\text{mount max.}}$ (at specified point) 120 °C

ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

$V_{\text{delay structure max.}}$	1.8	kV
$V_{\text{delay structure min.}}$	300	V
$P_{\text{delay structure max.}}$	50	W
$I_k \text{ max.}$	35	mA
$V_a \text{ max.}$	200	V
$I_a \text{ max.}$	10	mA
$+V_g \text{ max.}$	0	V
$-V_g \text{ max.}$	250	V
$V_{\text{h-k(pk) max.}}$	± 100	V

MOUNTING POSITION

Any

PHYSICAL DATA

Weight (mount only) PB-1	{ 13	lb
	{ 5.9	kg
SB-1, SB-2	{ 11	lb
	{ 5.0	kg

OUTPUT CONNECTION

Rectangular waveguide WG16 with screwed ring flange 5985-99-0830003.

ACCESSORIES

Permanent magnet mount	PB-1
Mount with aluminium foil solenoid for operation at low ambient temperatures	SB-1
Mount with aluminium foil solenoid for operation at high ambient temperatures	SB-2

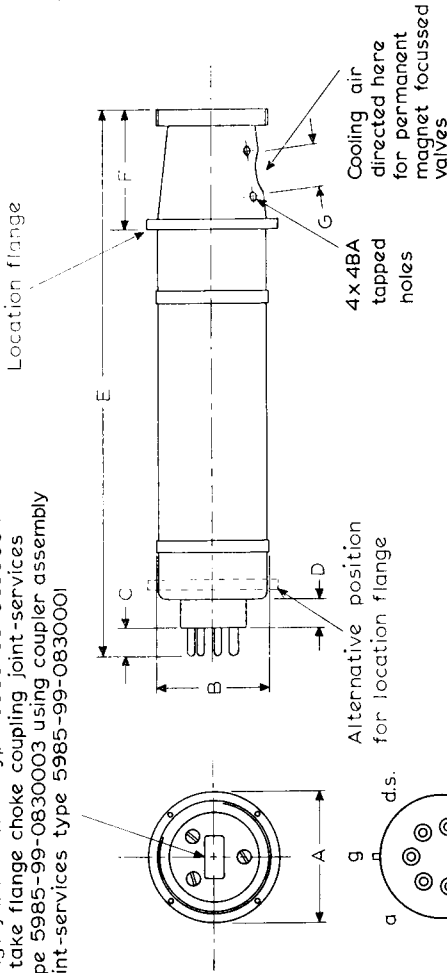
SOLENOID OPERATING CONDITIONS

The three types are intended for constant current operation.

	SB-1	SB-2	
Current	7.5	13	A
Voltage	26	17	V
T_{amb}	25	25	°C
Cooling	Forced-air	Forced-air	

Outlet via waveguide WG16 with screwed ring flange joint-services type 5985-99-0830004 to take flange choke coupling joint-services type 5985-99-0830003 using coupler assembly joint-services type 5985-99-0830001

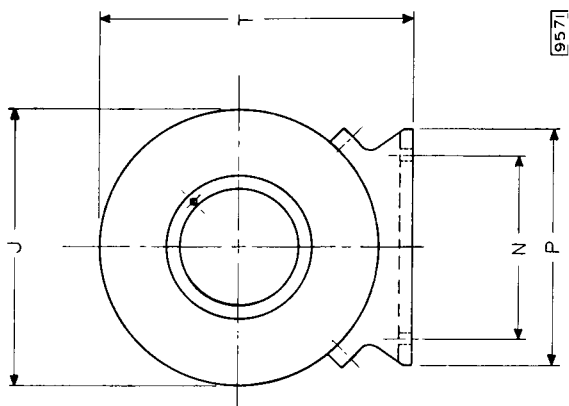
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DIMENSIONS

	Inches	Millimetres
A	2.717 ± 0.020	69.0 ± 0.5
B	2.284 ± 0.002	58.00 ± 0.05
C	0.591	15 max.
D	0.591 + 0.000 - 0.197	15 + 0 - 5
E	11.142 + 0.000 - 0.394	283 + 0 - 10
F	2.461 ± 0.039	62.5 ± 1.0
G	1.000 ± 0.008	25.4 ± 0.2

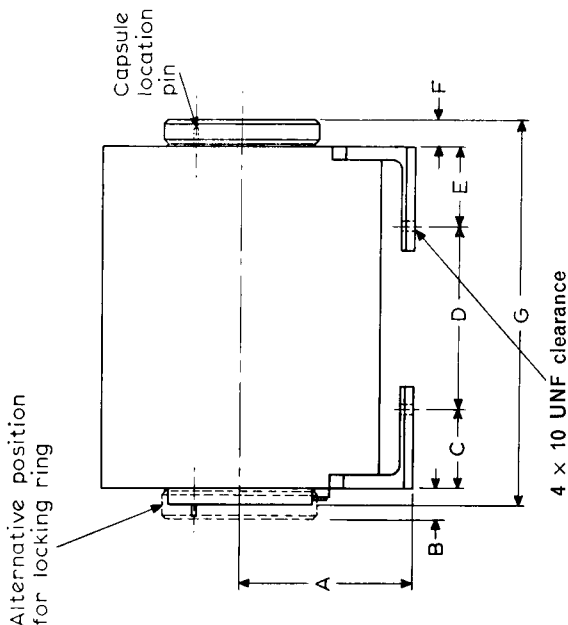
OUTLINE AND DIMENSIONS OF MOUNT PB-1



Millimetres
191 ± 2
136 max.
90 ± 0.2
117 ± 0.5
153.5 max.

Inches
7.520 ± 0.079
5.354
3.543 ± 0.008
4.606 ± 0.020
6.043

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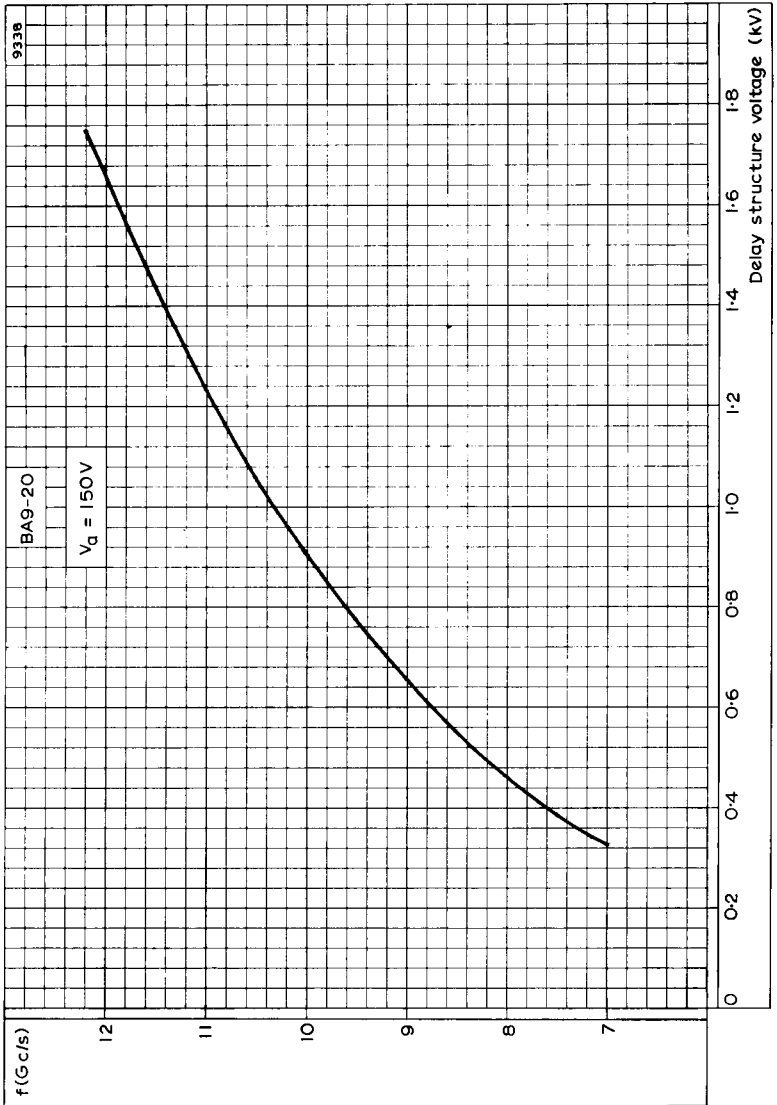
Millimetres
82.5 ± 5
15 ± 1
39 ± 1
90 ± 0.2
39 ± 1
15 ± 1

Inches
3.248 ± 0.197
0.591 ± 0.039
1.535 ± 0.039
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DIMENSIONS

A B C D E F

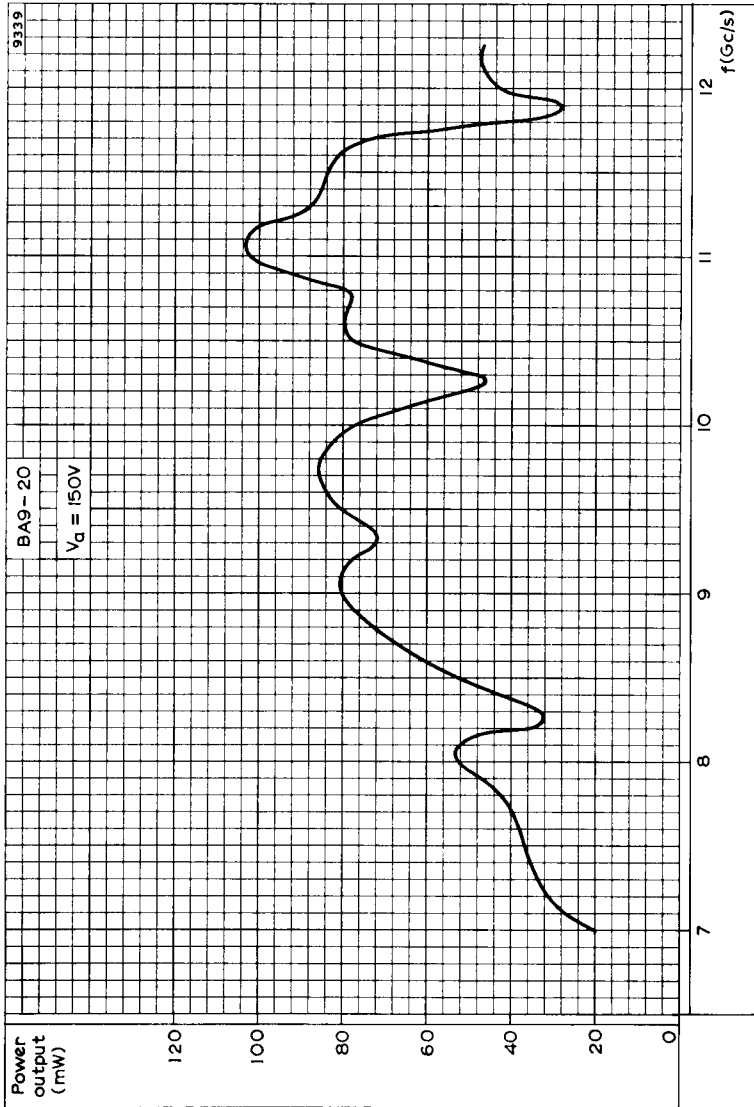




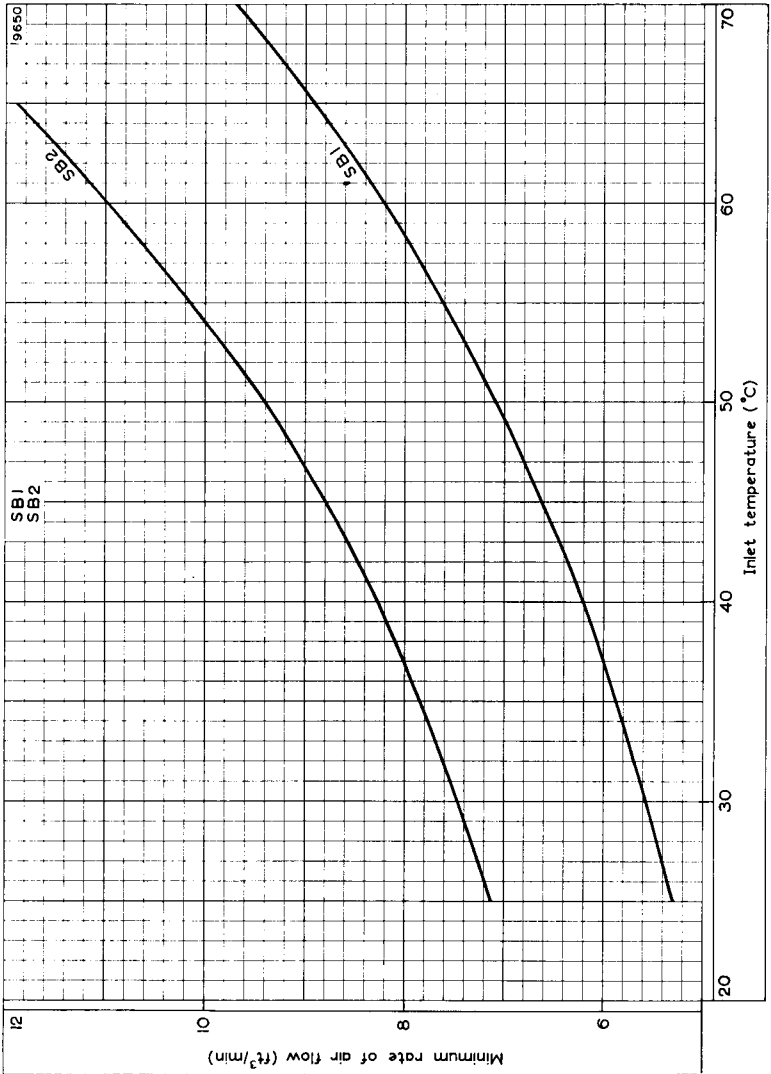
FREQUENCY PLOTTED AGAINST DELAY STRUCTURE VOLTAGE

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TYPICAL POWER OUTPUT PLOTTED AGAINST FREQUENCY



MINIMUM RATE OF AIR FLOW PLOTTED AGAINST INLET TEMPERATURE FOR MOUNTS SB-1 AND SB-2 FOR $T_{mount\ max} = 120^{\circ}C$