

TENTATIVE

DESCRIPTION:

THE FW-204 IS A 5 INCH IATRON (DIRECT VIEW STORAGE CATHODE-RAY TUBE) THAT PRODUCES A BRIGHT VISUAL DISPLAY OF ELECTRICALLY STORED INFORMATION. IT IS ELECTROMAGNETICALLY FOCUSED AND DEFLECTED. THE TUBE DISPLAYS BRIGHT IMAGES ON A DARK BACKGROUND THAT CAN BE VIEWED IN DIRECT DAYLIGHT, AND FEATURES THE ABILITY TO WRITE, STORE, AND ERASE INFORMATION AT WILL. GREY SHADES ARE PRODUCED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMPLITUDE VARIATION OF THE INPUT SIGNAL. THE TUBE HAS TWO CONCENTRIC ELECTRON GUNS, A WRITING GUN, WHICH WRITES THE INPUT SIGNAL ON A STORAGE MESH, AND A FLOOD GUN, WHICH ILLUMINATES THE PHOSPHOR IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STORED SIGNAL. THE CONCENTRIC ARRANGEMENT OF THE GUNS REDUCES DISTORTION OF THE WRITING BEAM TO A MINIMUM.

GENERAL:

DIMENSIONS	SEE OUTLINE	AND FUNCTIONAL SCHEMATIC
NOMINAL TUBE DIAMETER	5	INCHES
MINIMUM USEFUL DISPLAY DIAMETER	4	INCHES
Phosphor	P-20	ALUMINIZED
OPERATING POSITION		ANY
CATHODE PRE-HEATING TIME	60	SECONDS
Focus		MAGNETIC
DEFLECTION		MAGNETIC

TYPICAL OPERATING VOLTAGES:

VIEWING SCREEN	<i>‡</i> 10	KV DC 600 UA MAXIMUM
BACKING ELECTRODE	/10	VDC AND ERASE PULSES
Collector	/ 150	VDC 1.0 MA
Anode #5	/100	VDC 25 UA
Anode #4	<i>†</i> 20	VDC 200 UA
Anode #3	/ 16	VDC 300 UA
Anode #2	/ 45	VDC 3000 UA
ANODE #1	/ 12	VDC 25 MA
CATHODE	0	VDC 30 MA
HEATER	6.3	V AC OR DC 2.1 A

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FLOOD SECTION

WRITE SECTION

CATHODE
GRID #1 (CUTOFF - NOTE 1)
GRID #2
HEATER

-2500 VDC 2 MA
-50 VDC RESPECT WRITE CATHODE
0 VDC 2 MA
6.3 V AC OR DC .6 A

RANGE OF OPERATING ADJUSTMENTS:

ANODE #1

ANODE #2, 3, 4

ERASE PULSES

O TO 20 VDC ADJUST FOR BEST COLLIMATION

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AMPLITUDE 1/2 U/SEC. WIDE

75 TO 4000 PRF

TYPICAL PERFORMANCE:

RESOLUTION (NOTE 2)

200 FT. LAMBERTS

2000 FT. LAMBERTS

BRIGHTNESS

WRITING SPEED

ZERO BIAS WRITING TO 80% BRIGHTNESS

ERASE TIME (NOTE 3)

VIEWING TIME (NOTE 4)

125 LINES PER INCH

2500 FT. LAMBERTS

150,000 IN/SEC.

5 MILLISECONDS

30 SECONDS MAXIMUM

NOTES:

- 1. VISUAL CUTOFF OF STORED, FOCUSED, UNDEFLECTED SPOT.
- 2. MEASURED BY THE SHRINKING RASTER METHOD AT THE CENTER OF THE TUBE.
- 3. ERASE TIME IS THE SHORTEST TIME THAT INFORMATION CAN BE REMOVED FROM THE TUBE AFTER BEING STORED AT FULL BRIGHTNESS.
- 4. VIEWING TIME IS THE TIME THAT A SIGNAL STORED AT FULL BRIGHTNESS ANY—
 WHERE IN THE DISPLAY CAN BE VIEWED WITH ERASE PULSES APPLIED TO COUNTER—
 ACT ION WRITING.

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SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS:

OBSERVE MAXIMUM RATINGS TO AVOID POSSIBLE DAMAGE TO THE TUBE. IN PARTICULAR THE VIEWING SCREEN VOLTAGE SHOULD BE LIMITED SO AS TO NEVER EXCEED 12 KV.

THE FULL VOLTAGE SHOULD NOT BE APPLIED TO THE VIEWING SCREEN INSTANTANEOUSLY. AN ORDINARY RC FILTER AT THE OUTPUT OF THE POWER SUPPLY WILL
PROVIDE ADEQUATE ASSURANCE THAT THE VOLTAGE BUILD UP WILL NOT BE TOO
ABRUPT. THE VIEWING SCREEN POWER SUPPLY SHOULD HAVE A SERIES RESISTANCE
OF AT LEAST 1 MEG OHM.

REPEATED BOMBARDMENT WITH A HIGH CURRENT FOCUSED BEAM ON A SMALL AREA OF THE STORAGE SURFACE CAN BURN A DARK IMAGE INTO THE DISPLAY, WHICH MAY REMAIN FOR SEVERAL HOURS OR EVEN PERMANENTLY. THEREFORE, THE DEFLECTION VOLTAGES SHOULD BE APPLIED BEFORE OPERATING THE WRITING BEAM.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR SPECIFIC APPLICATIONS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE

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