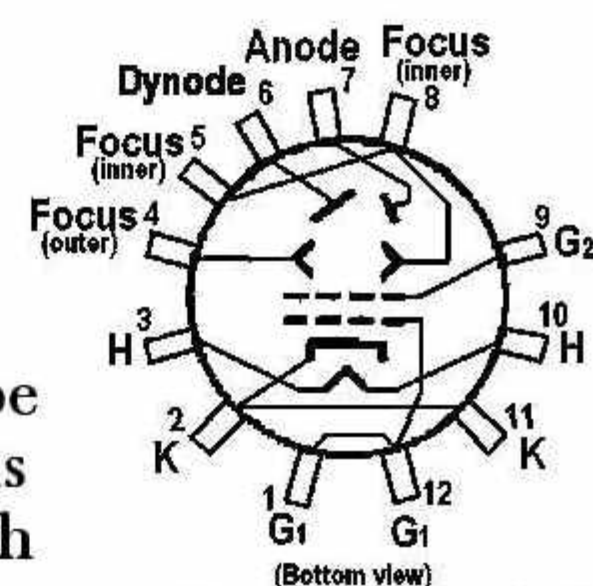




# RCA-1630

## U-H-F ORBITAL-BEAM HEXODE

The RCA-1630(A-5588) is a Acorn type orbital-beam hexode well suited for use as a detector or r-f amplifier in ultra high frequencies receivers. The RCA-1630 is 6.3-volt heater-cathode types, designed for use by engineers and experimenters particularly at the u-h-f RADAR.



### CHARACTERISTICS

(NOTE: Typical operating conditions for Developmental Multiplier Tube)

|                                   |        |                             |
|-----------------------------------|--------|-----------------------------|
| Heater voltage                    | 6.3    | volts                       |
| Heater current                    | 0.3    | ampere                      |
| Plate (output anode) voltage      | 370    | volts                       |
| Secondary-emitter voltage         | 240    | volts                       |
| Outer focusing-electrode voltage  | 0      | volts                       |
| Inner focusing-electrode voltage  | 300    | volts                       |
| Grid No. 2 voltage                | 45     | volts                       |
| Grid No. 1 voltage                | -1     | volt                        |
| Plate current                     | 12     | milliamperes                |
| Secondary-emitter current         | 9.5    | milliamperes                |
| Cathode current                   | 3.5    | milliamperes                |
| Grid No. 1-plate transconductance | 15,000 | micromhos                   |
| Input capacitance                 | 6.5    | $\mu\text{f}$               |
| Output capacitance                | 3.5    | $\mu\text{f}$               |
| Figure of merit                   | 3100   | micromhos per $\mu\text{f}$ |

### INSTALLATION AND APPLICATION

For INSTALLATION, reference to type 955; for APPLICATION, refer to VT-128.

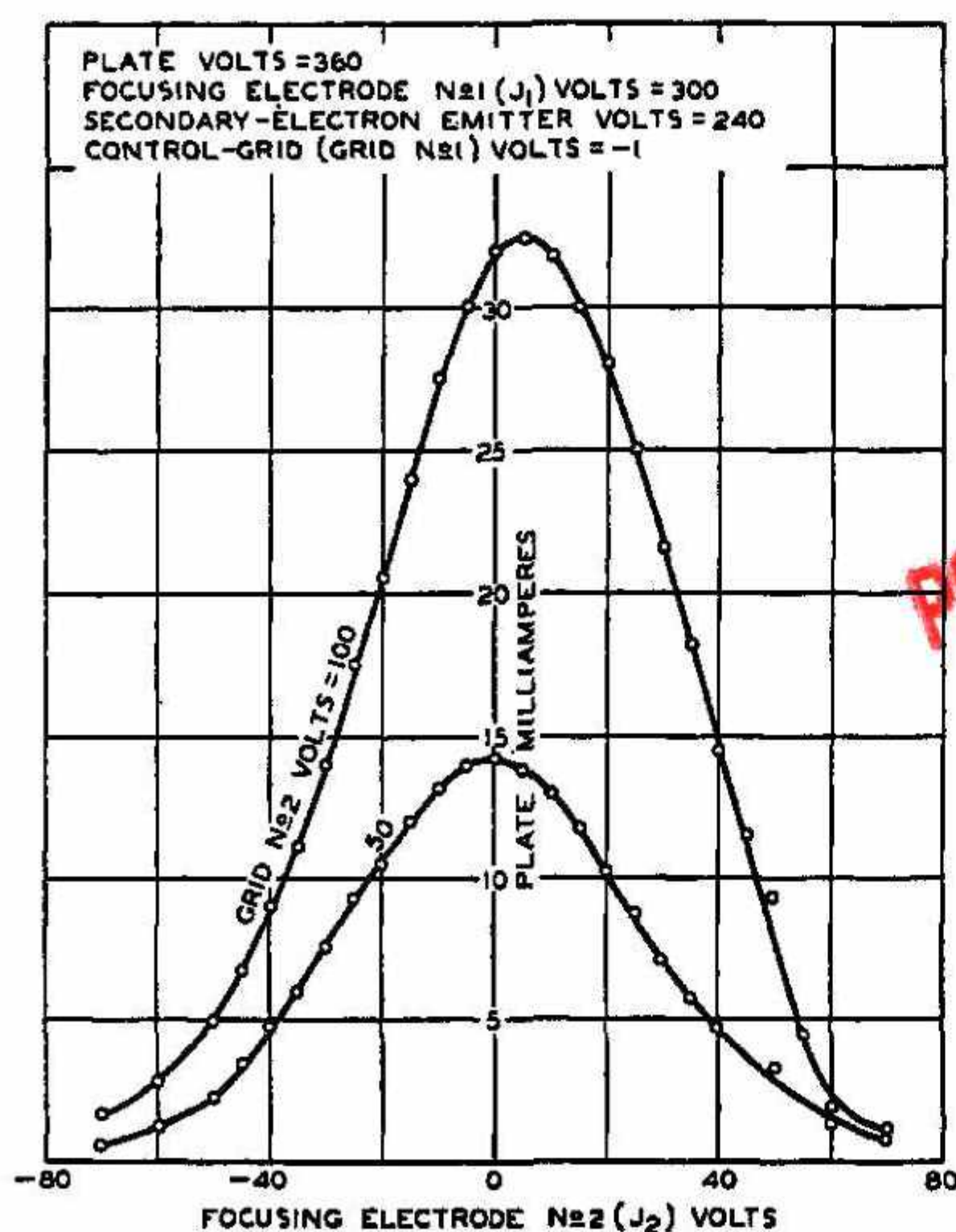


Fig. 3—Volume-control characteristic provided by deflection of the electron beam.

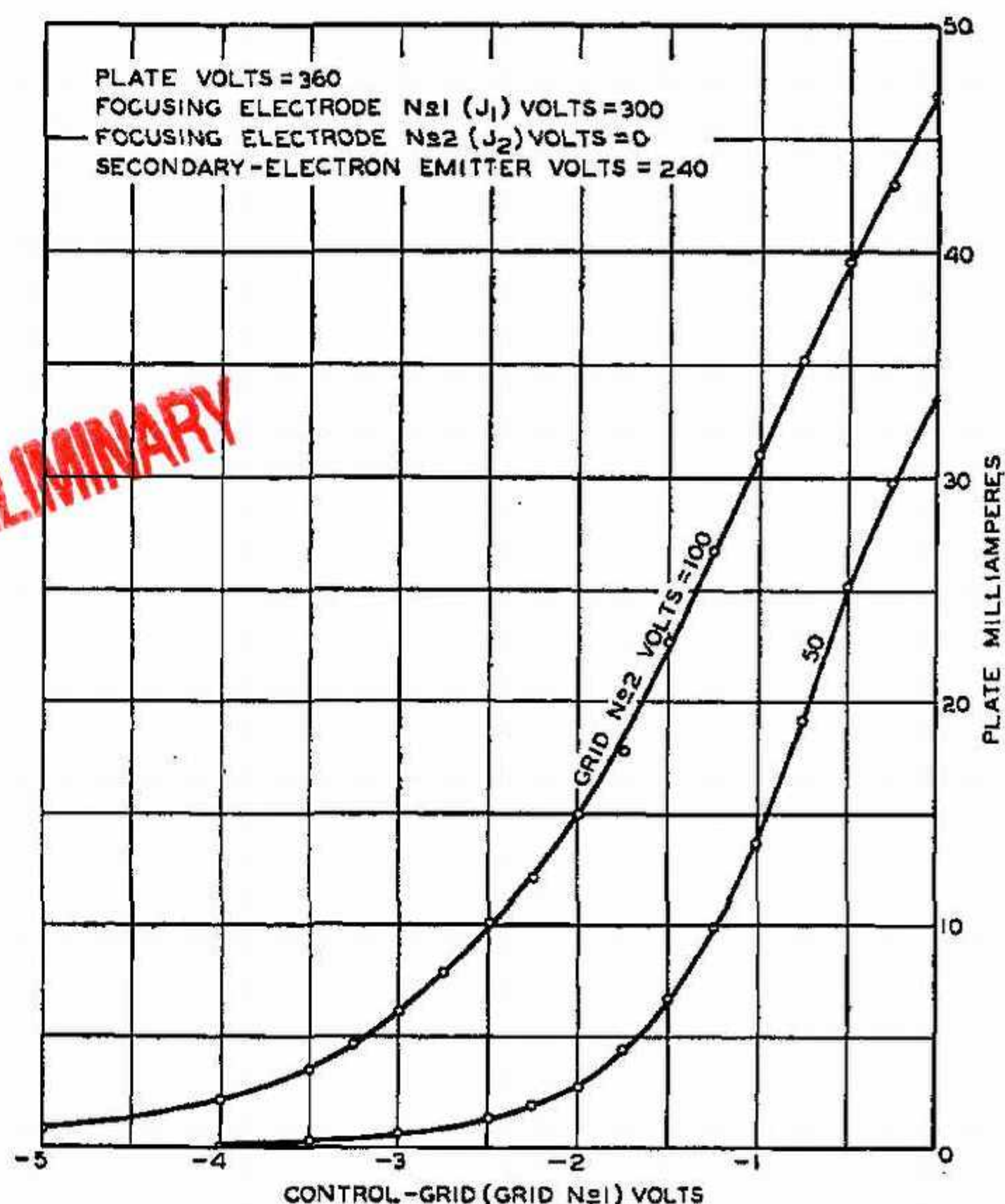


Fig. 4—Transfer characteristics of orbital-beam multiplier.

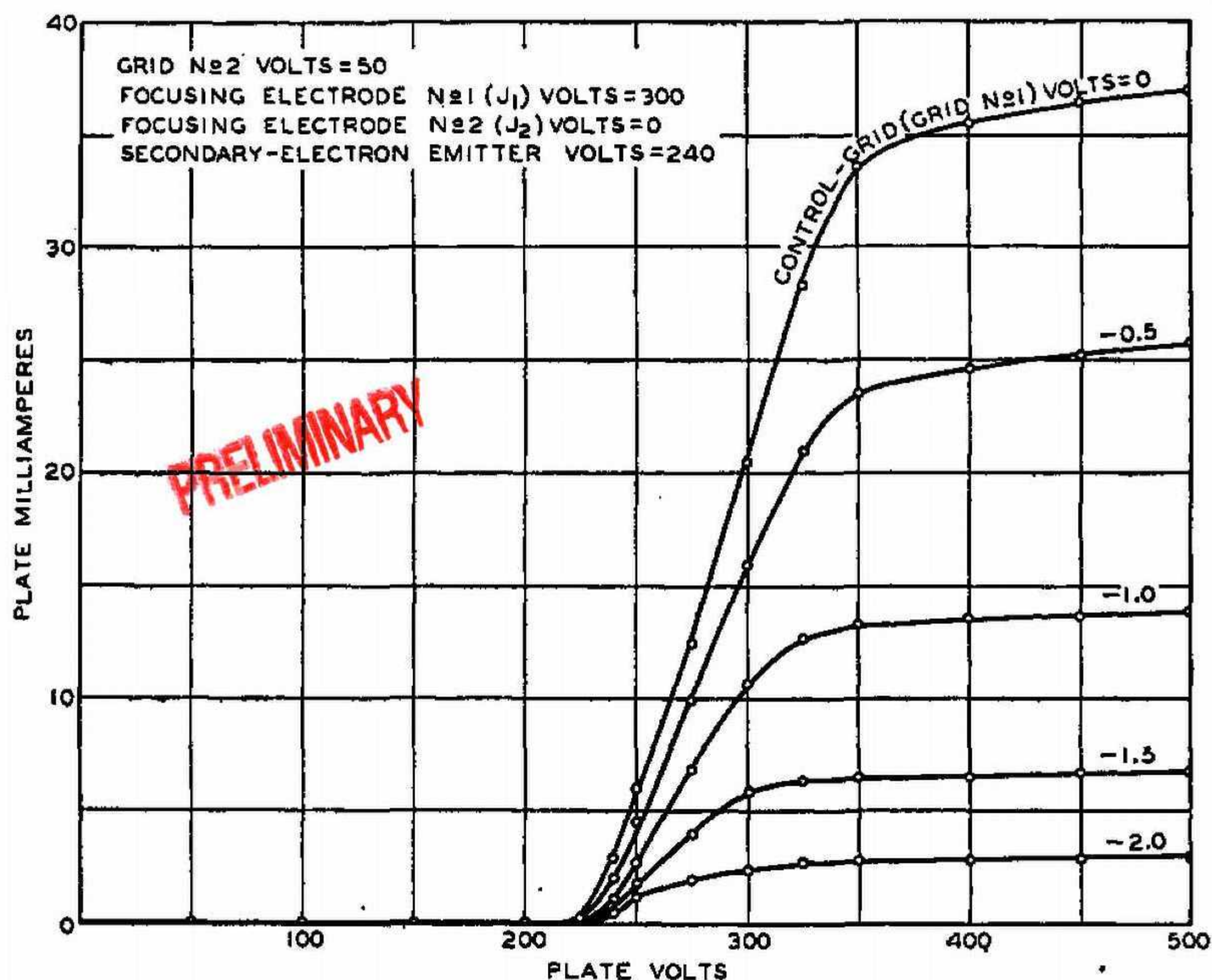


Fig. 5—Plate characteristics of orbital-beam multiplier.

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