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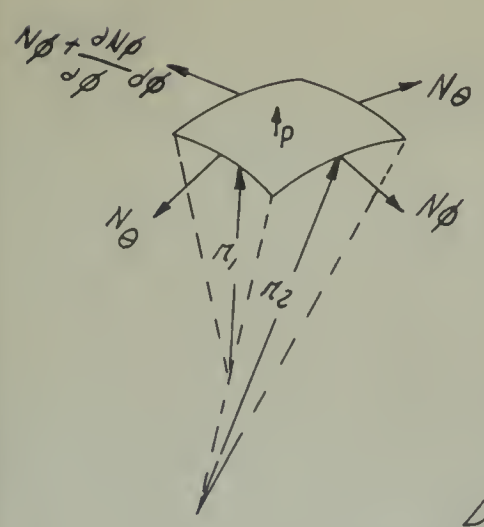
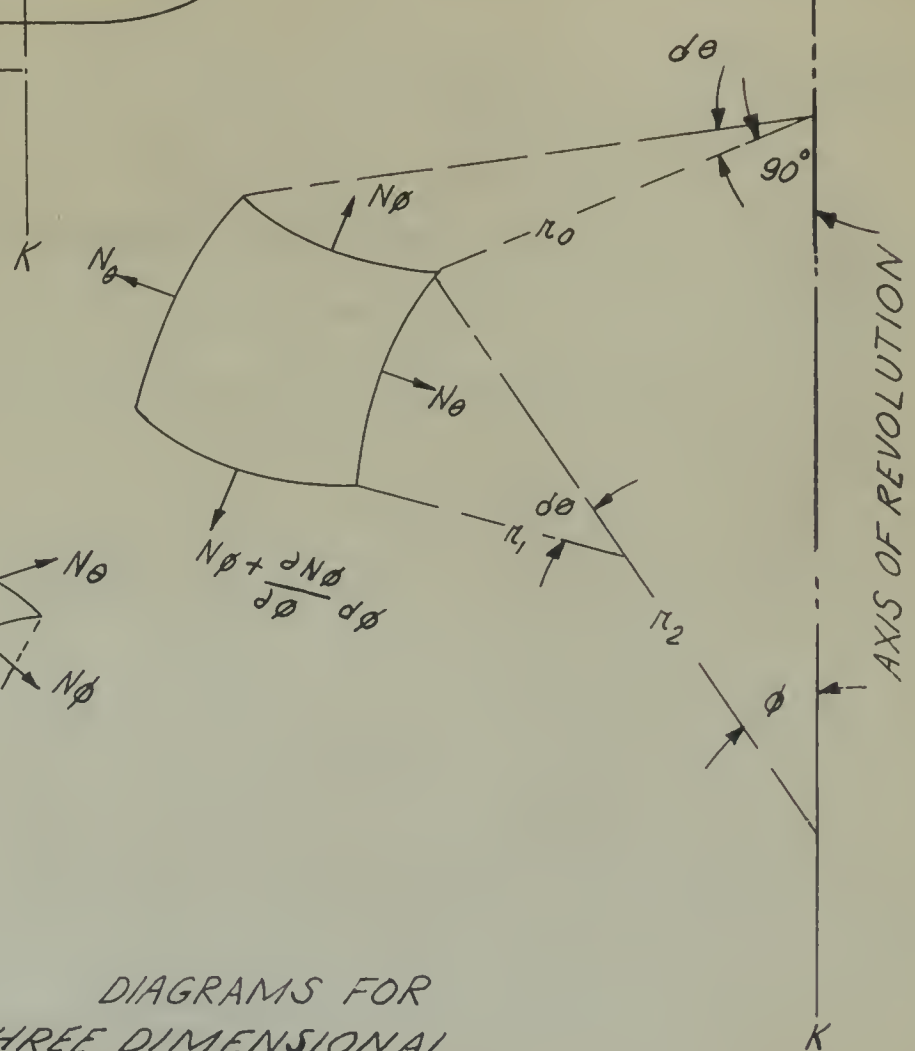
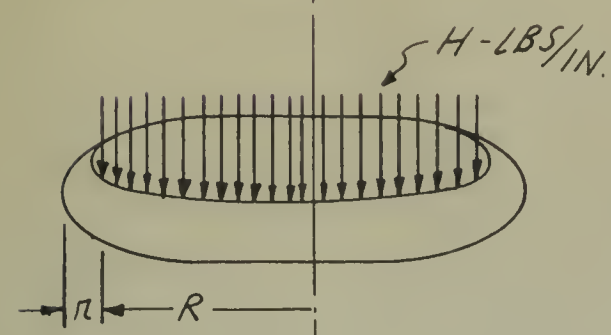
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TABLE OF SYMBOLS

F	Total axial force, lbs/in., at any station defined by $r_0$ . Positive downward.
H	Tensile force, lbs/in., tending to produce axial deformation. (Total H force on one end of specimen = $2 H(k + 1/2r)$ )
p	Internal pressure, p.s.i.
r	Small radius of torus, inches. ( $r = 1''$ for cases tested.)
R	Large radius of torus, inches. ( $R = 6.3125''$ for cases tested.)
$r_0$	Distance of point from axis of torus.
$r_1, r_2$	Radii of curvature of a shell in the form of a surface of revolution in meridional plane and in the normal plane perpendicular to meridian, respectively.
$N_\phi, N_\theta$	Membrane forces per unit length of principal normal sections acting meridionally and perpendicular to the meridian, respectively.
S	$1/2 S_T$
$S_T$	Total elongation of expansion joint
$\phi$	Angle defined by the intersection of $r_2$ with axis of revolution. (Three dimensional theory.)
$\phi^1$	Value of $\phi$ after deformation. (Three dimensional theory.)
$\theta$	Angle between perpendicular to axis and perpendicular to shell (Two dimensional theory.)
M	Moment at section mn (two dimensional theory)
t	Thickness of expansion ring
U	Energy (Two dimensional theory)





DIAGRAMS FOR  
THREE DIMENSIONAL  
THEORIES





## SUMMARY

The purpose of this investigation was to investigate the stresses encountered for a semicircular expansion joint for a rocket motor. Information was desired to relate these stresses to the various parameters of the problem.

The stresses involved in this design were found to approximate those indicated by the exact membrane theory. The specimen having the lesser thickness was found to agree more closely with the exact membrane theory, and gave the lowest value of stresses.

An empirical method of membrane analysis, based on deformation profiles, was developed. This method is applicable for stresses slightly above the elastic limit and may be extrapolated for higher values.

The design tested was found to be inherently unsatisfactory on the basis of tests and theoretical considerations.

An alternative design was indicated which would have lower values of stress for a given value of deformation, and which could be designed strictly on the basis of theoretical calculations.



INTRODUCTION

The increasing interest in rocket motors has focused attention on the lack of data available in connection with the design of safe and efficient expansion joints for the rocket assembly. These expansion joints must withstand high fuel pressures and must allow large degrees of expansion and contraction due to temperature variation. The external radial dimensions of the expansion joint are limited by aerodynamic considerations and the internal dimensions are limited by fuel flow requirements. After fulfilling these physical requirements the design must then be governed by ease of production, assembly, and maintenance.

In an effort to aid in finding the most suitable type, tests were made on two different expansion joint specimens.

Fig. 1 shows in a simplified form the combustion chamber, fuel chamber, and expansion joint of a typical rocket motor. The high temperature due to combustion causes an elongation of the inner chamber, which in turn causes the outer cylinder to elongate. High fuel pressures are present between the outer and inner walls. It is necessary for the expansion joint to withstand the stresses caused by both the elongation and internal fuel pressure. With the assumed temperature distribution as noted in Fig. 1, the elongation in ten inches due to temperature is approximately 0.155 inches.

Information desired from the tests included the relation, at various internal pressures, between elongation of the specimen and the



stresses in the expansion ring, the loading which would give permanent set, and the amount of repeated loadings necessary to cause fatigue failure.

The two specimens tested differed only in the thickness of the expansion joint shell. Time permitted carrying out of only a small part of the desired program.

In addition, three theories were developed: the first, a two-dimensional theory based on bending and energy equations; the second, a three dimensional membrane theory, called the empirical membrane theory, based on the assumption that the expansion ring deforms into an ellipse when elongated; and the third, a general three-dimensional membrane analysis, called the elastic membrane theory. A comparison was made between the rationalized results and the actual test data.

On the basis of these theories the inherent unsatisfactory nature of the expansion rings tested became apparent and a more suitable type was proposed.

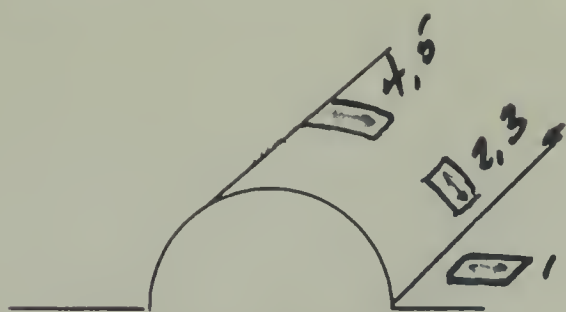


EQUIPMENT AND TEST PROCEDURE

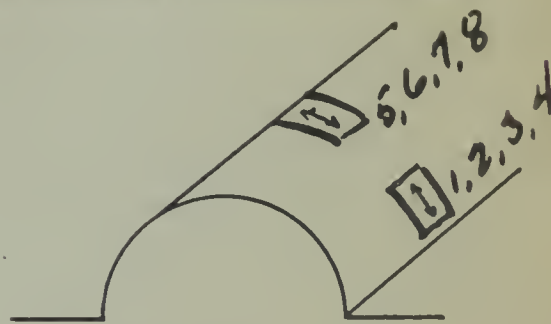
An illustration of the test specimen is shown in Fig. 2. The entire assembly was constructed of 1020 steel. The expansion ring and the two end plates were welded in place. On the first specimen the expansion ring had a thickness of 0.05 inches, while on the second specimen the thickness was 0.04 inches. Internal pressure was obtained by the use of a Blackhawk hydraulic jack which forced oil into a 5/8" hole at the top of the specimen. Either two steel bars or two steel plugs were screwed into the center of the top and bottom plates depending whether it was necessary to place the specimen in tension or compression. This tension or compression was accomplished in a Southwark 300,000 lb. testing machine. Control and accuracy allowable by this machine is excellent.

Provision was made for applying a centralized load without bending moments wherever possible. Spherical bearings were used in tension tests, and ball bearing pyramids were used in compression when applied loads were below 40,000 lbs. Beyond this point lead washers were used to centralize the load.

SK-4 strain gages, type A-8, manufactured by the Baldwin Locomotive Works, were used. Five gages were located on the first specimen as illustrated. In order to obtain a better average stress eight gages were used on the second specimen. Their locations are likewise shown.

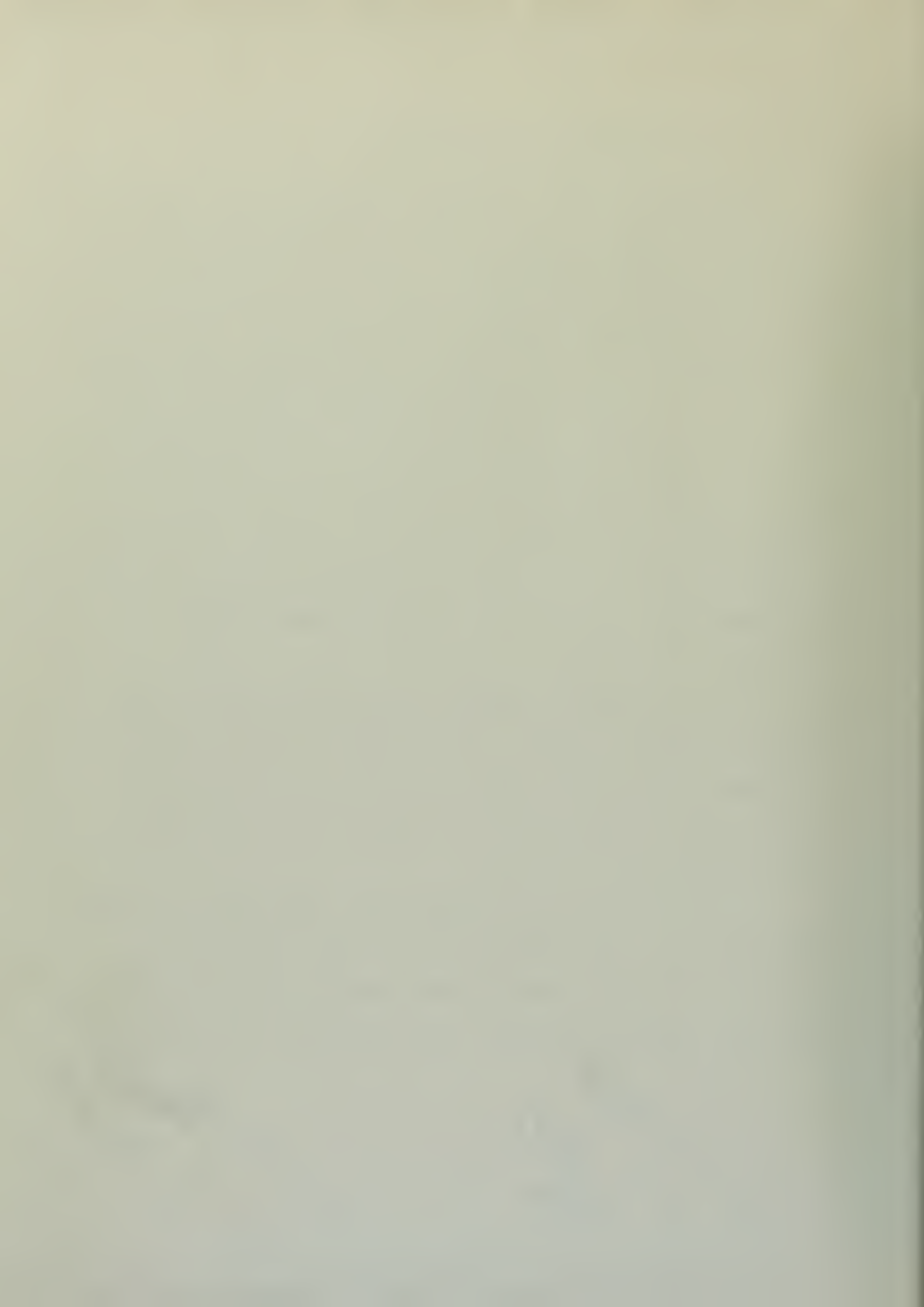


Specimen No. 1



Specimen No. 2





These strain gages were used in conjunction with a multiple channel wheatstone bridge designed and made at the California Institute of Technology. Voltage measurement was made by a Leeds and Northrop Potentiometer. This apparatus was capable of measuring the change in voltage in the strain gages to an accuracy of 0.001 millivolt. It permitted the determination of the change in voltage when the gages were in either tension or compression.

Two gages, located 90° apart, were employed to measure the overall elongation of the specimens. The first was a vernier micrometer which was capable of measuring within 0.001" accuracy; and the second, a dial gage, was capable of measuring within 0.0005" accuracy. The mean of their readings was taken as standard.

Calibrations were first made on the SR-4 strain gages. A gage was glued to each side of a standard 24ST test specimen. The specimen was placed in a testing machine and the strain gage voltages for various tensile forces were recorded as noted in Table I.

Elongations were calculated by the usual theoretical methods and checked by Luggenberger strain gages. From this data the stress-millivolt relation for steel was determined as shown in Table I. This relation is plotted in Fig. 3.

Specimen No. 1 was mounted in the Southward testing machine, as illustrated in Photographs No. I and No. II, and elongated with internal pressures varying from zero to 600  $\mu$  per sq. in. The voltage across each strain gage was recorded for each combination of pressure and elongation, and the results tabulated in Table II. The stresses as determined from Table II and Fig. 3 are recorded in Table III.



In most instances the specimen had to be placed under compression by the Southwark testing machine in order to prevent the internal pressures from elongating the specimen past the elastic limit.

With an internal pressure of 600  $\mu$  the specimen was then allowed to elongate until an overall change in length of 0.2 inches was reached. This was well past the elastic limit of the material. The results are recorded in Tables II and III.

Finally, with a constant pressure of 600  $\mu$  the elongation was varied between zero and 0.2" until rupture occurred.

The procedure for testing the second specimen was similar to that of the above.

In Figs. 4 through 21 are plotted values from Table III. Two types of graphs were made: one of stress versus elongation with internal pressure as a parameter, and the other of stress versus pressure with elongation as a parameter.



THEORETICAL ANALYSES

Three theoretical approaches were made to the problem and an attempt made to relate the results to the test data.

The first method was a two-dimensional analysis using the energy equation  $S$ . This method assumes that the energy goes into bending and hoop stresses.

The second method involved an empirical three dimensional membrane approach assuming that the pattern of the expansion ring takes the form of an ellipse when elongated. This method is designed to give greatest accuracy for comparatively large elongations and does not necessarily hold too well for small elongations.

The third method was an exact three dimensional membrane approach on the basis of theoretical membrane deflection and stresses. It holds only when all parts of the membrane are within the elastic limit.

The three methods are presented in detail on the following pages.

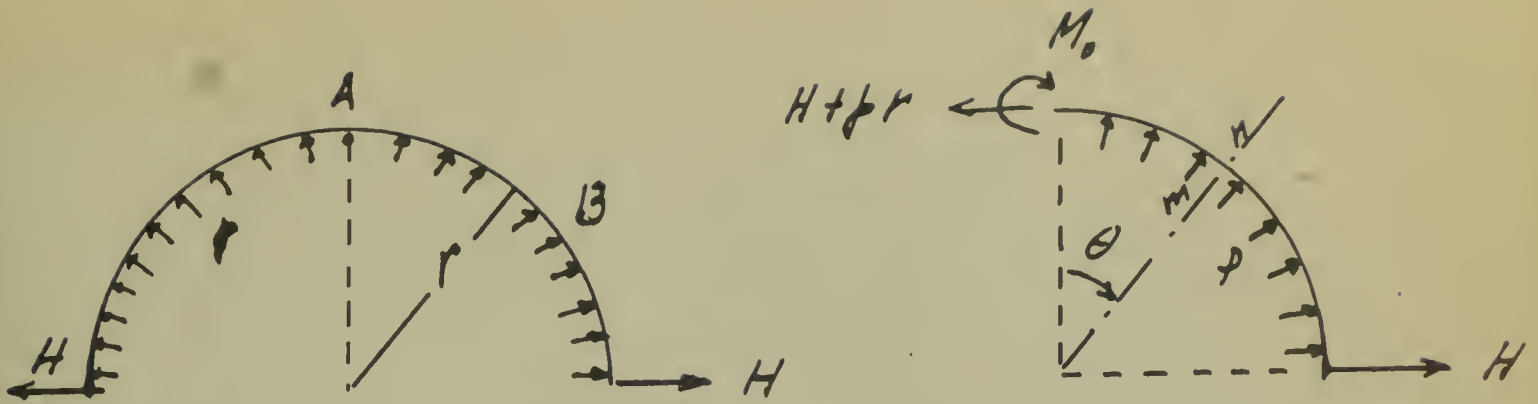


FIRST APPROACHTWO DIMENSIONAL THEORY

As a first approach in rationalizing the problem, a two dimensional energy analysis was made. This method essentially followed the procedure outlined in Ref. 2, Page 79. It is assumed that the energy is absorbed by bending of the ring and by an increase in the ring diameter caused by "hoop" stresses. It neglects the fact that the specimen is considerably more rigid in the three dimensional case than in the two dimensional case.







MOMENT AT STATION  $m$   $r$

$$\begin{aligned}
 M &= M_0 - (H + pr)(r - r \cos \theta) + pr^2 \left[ \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{2} + \frac{(1 - \cos \theta)^2}{2} \right] \\
 &= M_0 - Hr + Hr \cos \theta - pr^2 + pr^2 \cos \theta + pr^2(1 - \cos \theta) \\
 &= M_0 - Hr + Hr \cos \theta
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{dM}{dM_0} = 1$$

$$U = \int_0^s \frac{M^2 ds}{2EI} \quad \frac{dU}{dM_0} = 0$$

$$0 = \frac{d}{dM_0} \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{M^2 r d\theta}{2EI} = \frac{1}{EI} \int_0^{\pi/2} M \frac{dM}{dM_0} r d\theta = \frac{1}{EI} \int_0^{\pi/2} M r d\theta$$

$$= \frac{r}{EI} \int_0^{\pi/2} (M_0 - Hr + Hr \cos \theta) d\theta$$

$$= \frac{r}{EI} \left[ M_0 \theta - Hr \theta + Hr \sin \theta \right]_0^{\pi/2}$$

$$= \frac{r}{EI} \left[ \frac{M_0 \pi}{2} - \frac{Hr \pi}{2} + Hr \right]$$

$$M_0 = Hr - \frac{2Hr}{\pi} = 0.365 Hr$$

$$M = Hr \cos \theta - 0.635 Hr = Hr (\cos \theta - 0.635)$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 U &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{M^2}{EI} r d\theta = \frac{H^2 r^3}{2EI} \int_0^{\pi/2} (\cos^2 \theta - 1.27 \cos \theta + 0.404) d\theta \\
 &= \frac{H^2 r^3}{2EI} \left[ \frac{\theta}{2} + \frac{\sin 2\theta}{4} - 1.27 \sin \theta + 0.404\theta \right]_0^{\pi/2} \\
 &= \frac{H^2 r^3}{2EI} \left[ \frac{\pi}{4} - 1.27 + \frac{0.404\pi}{2} \right] \\
 &= \frac{H^2 r^3}{2EI} (0.150)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{dU}{dH} = \delta_1 = 0.150 \frac{H r^3}{EI}$$

The contribution of  $\phi$  to the deflection:

$$\text{CIRCUMFERENTIAL STRESS} = \sigma = \frac{\phi d}{2t}$$

$$\text{ELONGATION} = e = \frac{\sigma}{E} L = \frac{\phi d}{2tE} \pi d \quad (\text{if circumference})$$

$$\text{The change in diameter} = \delta_2 = \frac{e}{\pi} = \frac{2\phi r^2}{tE}$$

TOTAL ELONGATION:

$$\delta_T = 2\delta_1 + \delta_2 = 2 \times 0.150 \frac{H r^3}{EI} + \frac{2\phi r^2}{tE}$$

$$= 0.30 \frac{H r^3}{EI} + \frac{2\phi r^2}{tE}$$



$$E = 30 \times 10^6 \text{ FOR STEEL}$$

$$I = \frac{t^3}{12}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_T &= \frac{0.30 H t^3}{30 \times 10^6 \frac{t^3}{12}} + \frac{2}{30 \times 10^6} \times \frac{\phi t^2}{t} \\ &= 1.2 \times 10^{-7} \frac{H t^3}{t^3} + 0.667 \times 10^{-7} \frac{\phi t^2}{t} \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

FOR POINT "A"

$$\sigma_A = \frac{H + \phi t}{t} - \frac{M_0 y}{I}$$

$$M_0 = .365 H t$$

$$y = \frac{t}{2}$$

$$I = \frac{t^3}{12}$$

$$\sigma_A = \frac{H + \phi t}{2} - 6 \left( \frac{.365 H t}{t^2} \right) \quad (2)$$

FOR FIRST SPECIMEN:  $t = 0.5''$ ;  $r = 1''$

$$\sigma_A = 20H + 20\phi - 876H; \text{ OR } H = \frac{20\phi - \sigma_A}{856} \quad (3)$$

$$\text{and } \delta_T = 1.2 \times 10^{-7} \frac{H}{(0.5)^3} + 0.667 \times 10^{-7} \frac{\phi}{.05}$$

$$= 0.96 \times 10^{-3} H + 13.34 \times 10^{-7} \phi$$

SUBST (3)

$$\delta_T = 0.96 \times 10^{-3} \left( \frac{20\phi - \sigma_A}{856} \right) + 13.34 \times 10^{-7} \phi$$

$$\sigma_A = 20.2\phi - 894000 \delta_T$$



FOR SECOND SPECIMEN:  $t = .04''$ ,  $r = 1''$

$$\sigma_A = 25H + 25\phi - 1370H$$

$$H = \frac{25\phi - \sigma_A}{1345}$$

$$\delta_T = 1.2 \times 10^{-9} \frac{H}{(.04)^3} + 0.667 \times 10^{-9} \frac{\phi}{.04}$$

$$= 1.2 \times 10^{-9} \left[ \frac{25\phi - \sigma_A}{1345 (.04)^3} \right] + 16.675 \times 10^{-9} \phi$$

$$= -13.92 \times 10^{-9} \sigma_A + 364.67 \times 10^{-9} \phi$$

$$\sigma_A = 26.2 \phi - 718000 \delta_T$$

Point "B": where  $\theta = 57.3^\circ$

$$M = Hr (\cos \theta - 0.635)$$

$$= -.095Hr$$

FOR 1ST SPECIMEN:  $t = .05''$ ;  $r = 1''$

$$\sigma_B = \frac{\phi d}{2t} + \frac{H \cos \theta}{t} - \frac{M_{ax}}{I}$$

$$= \frac{\phi + 0.541H}{t} + \frac{.095H \times 12}{t^3} \cdot \frac{t}{2}$$

$$= 20\phi + 10.8H + 228H$$

$$H = \frac{\sigma_B - 20\phi}{238.8}$$





$$\begin{aligned}
\delta_T &= 0.96 \times 10^{-3} H + 13.34 \times 10^{-7} \phi \\
&= 0.96 \times 10^{-3} \left[ \frac{\sigma_B - 20 \phi}{238.8} \right] + 13.34 \times 10^{-7} \phi \\
&= .402 \times 10^{-5} \sigma_B - 8.05 \times 10^{-5} \phi + 13.34 \times 10^{-7} \phi \\
&= .402 \times 10^{-5} \sigma_B - 7.917 \times 10^{-5} \phi
\end{aligned}$$

$$\sigma_B = 249000 \delta_T + 19.7 \phi$$

2<sup>nd</sup> SPECIMEN:  $t = .04''$ ,  $r = 1''$

$$\sigma_B = \phi + \frac{0.541 H}{t} + \frac{.095 H \times 6}{t^2}$$

$$= 25 \phi + 13.5 H + 356 H$$

$$H = \frac{\sigma_B - 25 \phi}{369.5}$$

$$\delta_T = \frac{1.2 \times 10^{-7} H}{(.04)^3} + \frac{0.667 \times 10^{-7} \phi}{.04}$$

$$= \frac{1.2}{640} H + 16.675 \times 10^{-7} \phi$$

$$= \frac{1.2}{640} \left[ \frac{\sigma_B - 25 \phi}{369.5} \right] + 16.675 \times 10^{-7} \phi$$

$$= 5.07 \times 10^{-6} \sigma_B - 12.7 \times 10^{-5} \phi + 16.675 \times 10^{-7} \phi$$

$$\sigma_B = 197000 \delta_T + 24.7 \phi$$



## SUMMARY OF TWO DIMENSIONAL THEORETICAL EQUATIONS

FIRST SPECIMEN: ( $t = .05''$ )

$$\sigma_A = 20.2 \mu - 894000 \delta_T$$

$$\sigma_B = 249000 \delta_T + 19.7 \mu$$

SECOND SPECIMEN: ( $t = .04''$ )

$$\sigma_A = 26.2 \mu - 718000 \delta_T$$

$$\sigma_B = 197000 \delta_T + 24.7 \mu$$

THESE VALUES ARE PLOTTED IN FIGURES 22, 23, 24 and 25 and COMPARED WITH THE ACTUAL TEST VALUES. IT IS NOTED THAT THE AGREEMENT IS NOT GOOD FOR POINT A and is ONLY APPROXIMATE AT POINT B.



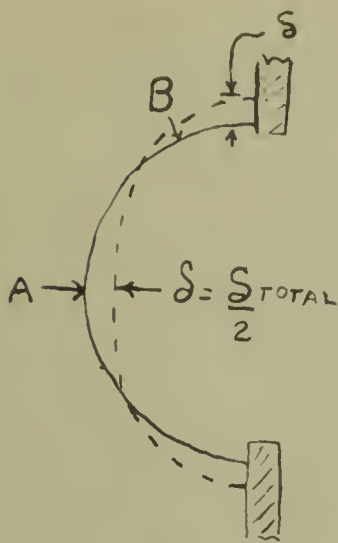
LOCAL METHODELLIPICAL THREE DIMENSIONAL MEMBRANE THEORY

Fig. a

This theory assumes that bending stresses are small in relation to membrane stresses and that bending produces only local effects. Membrane stresses are computed for the initial condition and for the observed deformation pattern at comparatively large values of elongation (i.e., in the vicinity of the

elastic limit), thereby providing a basis of empirical design if test data is compatible with membrane theory.

The observed deformation curve was found to resemble an ellipse with the minor axis shortened 0.035" and the major axis lengthened 0.035" for stresses slightly above the elastic region. Near the weld, the ellipse was observed to be slightly distorted at large values of elongation.

This method assumes elliptical distortion in the manner noted above and derives equations which give stresses corresponding to this distortion in terms of the various parameters. Essentially, this procedure is a variation of the method given in Art. 73 of Ref. 1.

FOR THE POINT A (See Fig. a)

$$2 r_0 \frac{d}{\sin \phi} + F = 0$$

$$\text{But } -F = \pi p (\sqrt{r^2 + r_0^2 - c^2} - l^2) + H(l + 1/2r) 2\pi$$

Substituting: ( $\phi = 90^\circ$ )



$$2r_0 \epsilon_\phi - p(r^2 + 2rR - 2cr - cR) - 2H(p + 1/2r) = 0$$

$$\text{but } r_0 = R + r - S$$

$$\epsilon_\phi = \frac{p(r^2 + 2rR - 2cr - cR) + 2H(p + 1/2r)}{(2)(R + r - S)}$$

$$(1) \quad \sigma_m = \frac{1}{t} \frac{p(r^2 + 2rR - 2cr - cR) + 2H(p + 1/2r)}{(2)(R + r - S)}$$

$$\text{for the case tested, } \epsilon_\phi = 0.933p(1 - 0.953r) + 0.933H$$

$$N_\theta = r_2 \left( p - \frac{N_\phi}{r_1} \right)$$

From the deformation pattern we know that the band at center contracts a distance of  $2c$  if  $p = \text{const.}$  This corresponds to a  $N_\theta$  stress of value

$$\sigma_2 = \epsilon E = \frac{c}{(R + r)} E$$

for the cases tested  $\sigma_2 = 4,100,000 \text{ } \delta$  (within elastic limit)

This induces a tensile stress in the meridional direction  $N_\phi$  equal to:

$$(2) \quad \sigma_1 = \delta \epsilon E = \frac{\delta E}{R + r}$$

$$\sigma_1 \text{ for the cases tested} = 1,250,000 \text{ } \delta$$

The above correction does not include the effect of the original stress due to  $N_\theta$ . This stress is a compressive stress of value

$$(3) \quad \sigma_3 = -\delta \frac{p}{t} (r - c)$$

$$\sigma_3 \text{ for the cases tested} = -0.3 \frac{p}{t} (1 - \delta)$$





The total meridional stress at "A" is the sum of equations (1), (2), and (3).

For the cases tested

$$\sigma_r = \frac{1}{t} [0.634p + 0.934H] + 615,00 \frac{p}{r} - 0.15 \frac{p}{t} \delta_r$$

\* \* \* \* \*

For a second point B, located at  $\beta^1 = 60^\circ$ , the following equations were derived.

$$r_1 = \frac{\left[ r - \frac{1}{4} \frac{c}{r} + \left( \frac{c}{r} \right)^2 \right]^{3/2}}{r - \left( \frac{c}{r} \right)^2}$$

$$\tan \phi = .031 \frac{r + \frac{c}{r}}{r - \frac{c}{r}}$$

By graphic construction

$$r_2 = 15.03 r_1$$

The equation

$$\frac{H}{r_1} + \frac{p \sin \phi}{15.03 r_1} = p$$

can now be solved by assuming a value of  $\phi = p$  from equilibrium considerations. This gives the following stress at B due to direct membrane stress.

$$(4) \sigma = \frac{p}{t} \left\{ \frac{\left[ r - .25 \frac{c}{r} + \left( \frac{c}{r} \right)^2 \right]^{3/2}}{r - \left( \frac{c}{r} \right)^2} - 0.0469p \right\} + \frac{+0.500H}{t}$$

It should be noted that the above equation holds only for a given value of the  $r/c$  ratio having the proportion 1 : 7.3215. (Calculations became too complex to retain this parameter.)



In computing the above meridional stress the value of  $\theta$  was assumed to be of magnitude  $p$ . The correction to the above meridional stress to allow for this is

$$(5) \quad \sigma_1 = -\nu \frac{p}{t}$$

Mechanical construction further indicates that the point B suffers  $1/4$  the radial compression in comparison to the compression at point A. The stress corresponding to the compression of the radial band at A has the value

$$(6) \quad \sigma_2 = 1/4 \frac{\nu \delta \epsilon}{t}$$

The total meridional stress at point B is the sum of equations (4), (5), and (6).

The plots of  $\sigma_T$  vs.  $\delta_T$  for points A and B are given in Fig. 28 to 31, showing computed and experimental values.

It should be noted that the stress curve for point B will tend to become negative at large values of deformations due to the local bending in the region of the weld. For this reason the stress curves for point B are not continued for a value of  $\delta_T$  exceeding 0.070".

These stresses apply at relatively large deformations since the stresses fit the actual deformation pattern at large deformations. They do not apply for small deformations.



THIRD PART OF  
ELASTIC THEORY OF THIN SHELLS

This theory applies where deflections are large in relation to thickness and all stresses are within the elastic limit. This method is based on Art. 73 and 76 of Ref. 1.

$$(1) \frac{N_{\phi}}{r_1} + \frac{N_{\theta}}{r_2} = p$$

$$(2) 2\pi r_0 N_{\phi} \sin \phi + F = 0 \quad \text{where } F \text{ is total downward force at any station defined by } r_0$$

These two equations define all forces acting on a unit element.

Solving (2) for  $N_{\phi}$  gives

$$(3) N_{\phi} = - \frac{F}{2\pi r_0 \sin \phi}$$

Eliminating  $N_{\phi}$  from (1) gives

$$(4) N_{\theta} = r_2 p + \frac{r_2}{r_1} \left( \frac{F}{2\pi r_0 \sin \phi} \right)$$

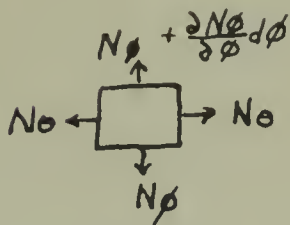


Fig. b.

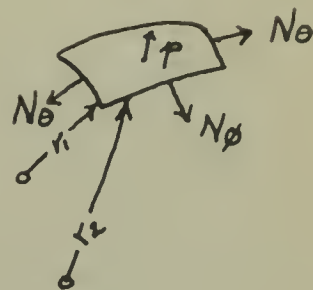


Fig. a.

Total force measured in meridional direction by strain gage is

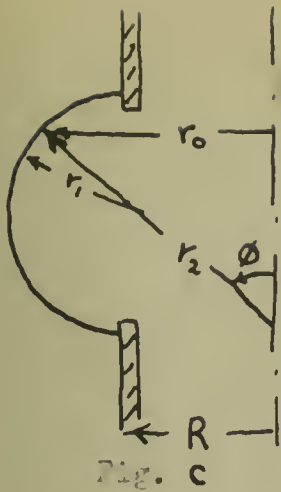
$$(5) F_T = N_{\phi} - \int N_{\theta}$$

$$(6) F_T = - \int r_2 p - \int \frac{r_2}{r_1} \left( \frac{F}{2\pi r_0 \sin \phi} \right) - \frac{F}{2\pi r_0 \sin \phi}$$

$$F_T = - \left[ \left( \frac{F}{2\pi r_0 \sin \phi} \right) \left( 1 + \int \frac{r_2}{r_1} \right) + \int r_2 p \right]$$

$$(7) \sigma_T = - \frac{1}{t} \left[ \frac{F}{2\pi r_0 \sin \phi} \left( 1 + \int \frac{r_2}{r_1} \right) + \int r_2 p \right]$$





$$F = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{total downward load} \\ \text{at station } r_0 \end{array} \right\} = -42H - \pi(r_0^2 - R^2)p$$

$$r_0^2 = R + r_1 \sin \phi^2 = p^2 + 2Rr_1 \sin \phi + r_1^2 \sin^2 \phi$$

$$F = 42H - \pi(2Rr_1 \sin \phi + r_1^2 \sin^2 \phi)p$$

Equation (7) then becomes

$$(8) \quad \sigma_T = -\frac{1}{t} \left[ \left( \frac{-42H - \pi(2Rr_1 \sin \phi + r_1^2 \sin^2 \phi)p}{2\pi r_0 \sin \phi} \right) \left( 1 + \nu \frac{r_1}{r_2} \right) + \nu r_2 p \right]$$

By definition  $r_0 = r_2 \sin \phi = R + r_1 \sin \phi$

$$(9) \quad \sigma_T = -\frac{1}{t} \left[ \left( -\frac{42H}{2\pi \sin \phi (R + r_1 \sin \phi)} - p \frac{2Rr_1 + r_1 \sin \phi}{2R + 2r_1 \sin \phi} \right) \left( 1 + \nu \frac{r_2}{r_1} \right) + \nu r_2 p \right]$$

Equation (9) permits determination of the best ratios for the parameters  $r$  and  $R$  in regard to meridional stress at any point.

We will make a study of the condition where

$$r = 1''$$

$$R = 6.3125''$$

$$r_1 \approx r$$

$$(9)' \quad \sigma_T = \frac{1}{t} \left[ \left( \frac{6.8125 H}{\sin \phi (6.3125 + \sin \phi)} - \frac{p(12.625 + \sin \phi)}{12.625 + 2 \sin \phi} \right) \left[ 1 + \nu \left( \frac{1}{\sin \phi} + 1 \right) \right] + \nu p \left( \frac{R}{\sin \phi} + 1 \right) \right]$$

Consider stress at point A: ( $\phi = 90^\circ$ )

$$\sigma_T = -\frac{1}{t} \left[ (-0.933H - 0.933p) [1 + \nu(7.3125)] + \nu p(7.3125) \right]$$

assume  $\nu = 0.3$

$$(10) \quad \sigma_T = \frac{1}{t} [2.98H + 0.7063p]$$





For the two cases tested, stresses at "A" have values:

$$\sigma_T \text{ (for } t = 0.04) = 72H + 19.68p$$

$$\sigma_T \text{ (for } t = 0.05) = 59.6H + 15.726p$$

At point B: ( $\phi = 32.7^\circ$ )

Substituting in (9),  $\sin \phi = 0.54$

$$\sigma_T = -\frac{1}{t} \left[ \left( \frac{-6.8125H}{3.75} - \frac{13.156p}{13.706} \right) \left( 1 + \sqrt{12.7} \right) + \sqrt{12.7}p \right]$$

$$(11) \sigma_T = \frac{1}{t} [ 8.725H + 0.795p ]$$

for the two cases tested, stresses at point "B" have values:

$$\sigma_T \text{ (for } t = 0.04") = 218 H + 19.9p$$

$$\sigma_T \text{ (for } t = 0.05") = 174.5 H + 15.9p$$

The deflection curve may now be computed by the method of Art. 76 of Ref. 1.

A study of the equation

$$V = \text{Meridional elongation} = \sin \phi \cdot \left( \int \frac{f(\phi)}{\sin \phi} d\phi + C \right)$$

readily shows that V gets very large at small values of  $\phi$  since  $f(\phi)$  is a function of  $\left( \frac{1}{\sin(\phi)} + \frac{2}{\sin^2 \phi} \right)$

The radial elongation acts in a similar manner.

An actual calculation of V showed that the membrane stress is far above the elastic limit for  $S_T = 0.023"$  at  $\phi = 5^\circ$ .

#### EXTENSION OF ELASTIC MEMBRANE THEORY

From the above considerations in regard to the stresses in the membrane in the vicinity of the weld (bending moment assumed to be



zero) it is readily seen that the elastic membrane theory does not apply for  $\phi = 0.025''$  since the membrane stresses have exceeded the elastic limit in the region of the weld.

The elastic membrane theory relates the deformations with stresses. These stresses in turn are a function of radius of curvature at the given point. Conversely, if we know the radius of curvature (and all parts of the membrane are in the elastic region) the stress is determined.

If we can relate the non-elastic radius of curvature to the elastic radius of curvature and substitute this factor in equation (9) we can obtain an idea of the trend in the non-elastic region. This equation is repeated below.

$$(9) \sigma_t = \frac{1}{t} \left[ \left( \frac{-42 H}{2 \pi \sin \phi (R + r_1 \sin \phi)} - p \frac{(2Rr_1 + r_1 \sin \phi)}{2R + 2r_1 \sin \phi} \right) \left( 1 + \sqrt{\frac{r_2}{r_1}} \right) + \sqrt{r_2 p} \right]$$

Now  $H$  is a constant,  $r_1$  is very nearly unity and varies only slightly with large deformations. It will be seen, therefore, that the quantity

$$\left( \frac{-42 H}{2 \pi \sin \phi (R + r_1 \sin \phi)} - p \frac{(2Rr_1 + r_1 \sin \phi)}{2R + 2r_1 \sin \phi} \right)$$

where  $R = 6.3125''$  and  $r_1 = 1 \pm 0.1$  (say)

is constant for a given value of  $\phi$  for all practical purposes. The major variables in equation (9) are the terms

$$\left( 1 + \sqrt{\frac{r_2}{r_1}} \right) \text{ and } \left( \sqrt{r_2 p} \right)$$



It is apparent from consideration of these two terms that a smaller value of  $\frac{r_2}{r_1}$  will give a lower value for  $\sigma_T$ . Non-elastic deformation does just this. The slope of the tangent (in the region of the weld) increases, thereby reducing the radius of curvature and lowering the stress. (See Fig. d.) At point A the effect is negligible. At point B the effect is considerable since the ratio  $\frac{r_2}{r_1}$  may change by a factor of eight or nine (based on mechanical construction with  $\delta_T = 0.10$ "). This means that the stress at B will be lowered by a factor of approximately 3 for such local deformations. (This result is obtained from equation (9).)

The basis of the inflection point at B (See Fig. d.) comes from a study of the radial rigidity of the membrane.

The rigidity, as previously indicated, is a function of

$$\frac{1}{\sin \phi} + \frac{1}{\sin^2 \phi} .$$

Since  $\sin \phi$  is very small near the weld and the

stresses are beyond the elastic limit, the radial resistance to deformation is very slight between point B and the weld. Between point B and point A the radial rigidity increases rapidly and the stresses are below the elastic limit. This makes possible the appearance of an inflection point, or at the very least a discontinuity in the radius of curvature.

#### EFFECT OF LOCAL BENDING

It should now be noted that local bending stresses at "B" will further decrease the stress at "B". From the change in curvature the bending stress at "B" may be greater than the membrane stress



when deformation becomes large at "B" as shown in Fig. c. This local

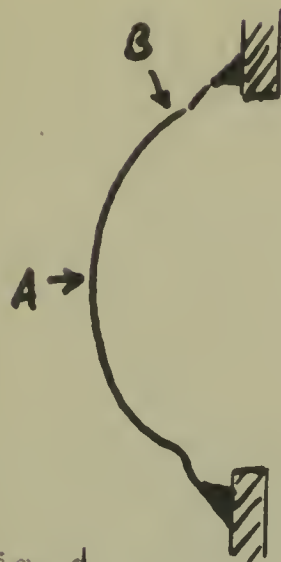


Fig. d.  
Deformation Pattern at very  
large deformations

bending produces a compressive stress. The measured stress at "B" may become very small or negative. A clue to the state where  $\sqrt{\sigma_T}$  at "B" may become negative is where the  $H$  vs.  $\sigma_T$  curve becomes non-linear. This is at  $S_T > 0.028''$  where slight discontinuities were encountered for all pressures. It is certain that the preceding equations for stresses at "B" do

not apply for  $\frac{\delta_T}{S_T} > 0.028''$  as they would indicate too large a stress at "B" (as measured by a strain gage.)

At point "A" this bending effect is negligible since this region has the least bending. (The effect, however, would be a compressive stress.)

From considerations of the membrane stresses produced near the weld, it is clearly seen that the ratio  $\frac{r_2}{r_1} \rightarrow \infty$  for a small weld and that the membrane stresses become very large until relieved by deformation. At the weld the bending stresses are also tensile stresses at a point infinitely close to the weld. For elongations of the order  $\delta_T = 0.20''$  this analysis shows that the type of expansion joint tested is inherently unsatisfactory since stresses cannot possibly be kept below the elastic limit.





In order to further understand the unsatisfactory nature of the original design, the schematic stress distribution at various points (due to both bending and membrane stresses) are shown for a large and a small  $\delta_p$ . (See Fig. d)



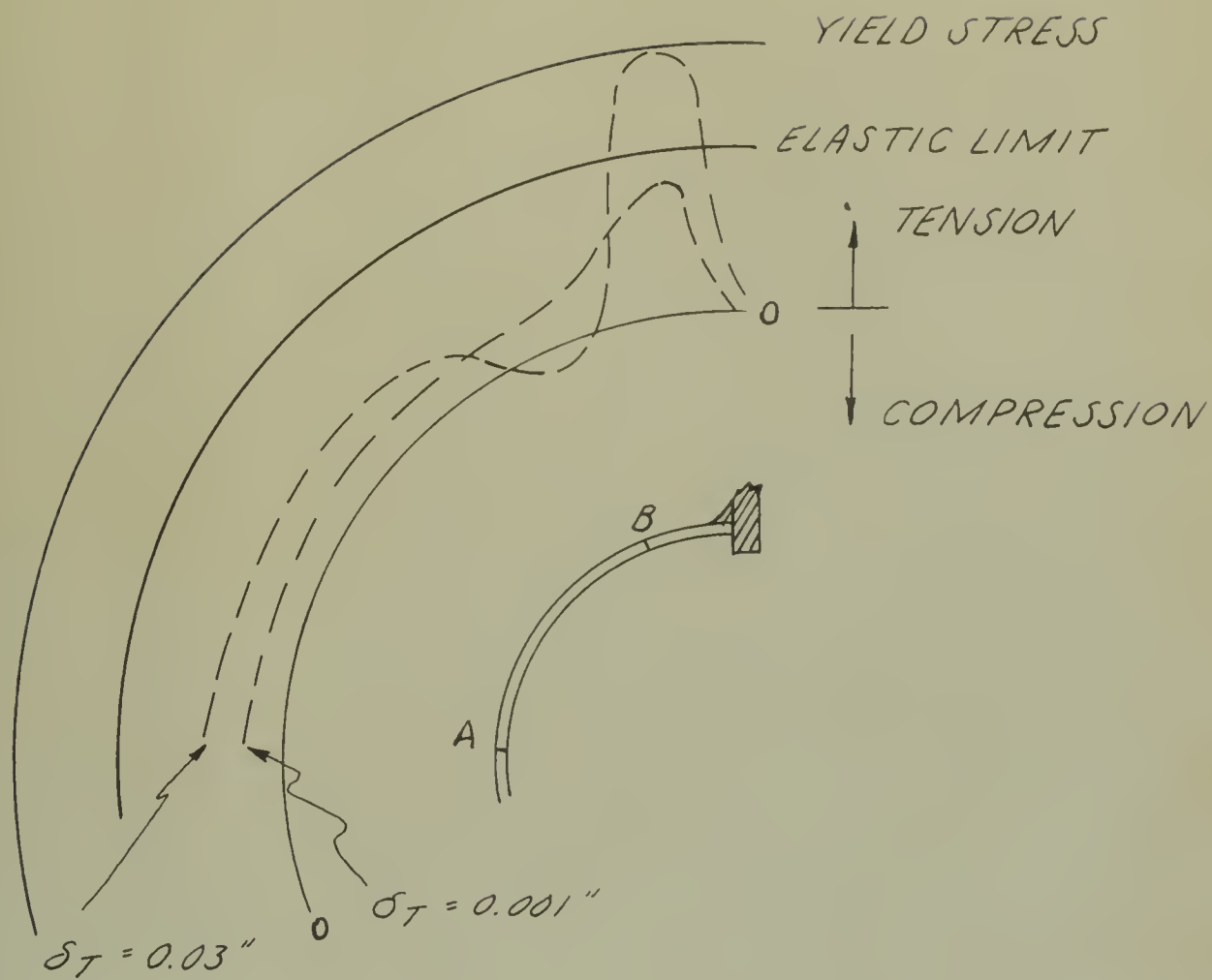


FIG. 81



DISCUSSION OF RESULTS

By comparison of the calculations for the two dimensional bending theory and observed data, this method was found to be totally inapplicable. The stress distribution, according to this theory, would yield ~~by~~ compressive stresses in the region of point A (the maximum diameter of the expansion joint). Actually, these stresses are tensile stresses and have large magnitudes. Moreover, the stresses at point B should increase with elongation. Actually, they reach a peak, diminish to practically zero, then increase slightly.

The elastic three dimensional membrane theory gives very good agreement, within the limits of experimental accuracy, to the elastic limit. Beyond this point the agreement was unsatisfactory since these equations do not consider the reduced modulus of elasticity. It will be noted that the specimen having the smaller thickness gave better agreement and, incidently, gave lower values of stresses for a given elongation. This validates the applicability of the membrane theory. This theory is further justified by Ref. 1, 3, and 4. The applicability is particularly shown by Art. 57, and 58 of Ref. 1. It should be noted that this theory does not apply when any portion of the membrane exceeds the elastic limit and that this theory has been extended in this thesis to show the qualitative effect of non-elastic deformation. This difficulty comes from the fact that stresses in the original design exceed the elastic limit for infinitesimal deformations.



The empirical three dimensional membrane theory evaluates the membrane stresses for the measured deformations. Since the deformation pattern chosen was one for total elongation equal to 0.035", the agreement is better for large values than for small ones. This method is only as accurate as the measured deformation pattern. Considering this limitation, this method gave remarkably good agreement for values of total elongation equal to 0.200". As noted previously, neither test or computed values were corrected for reduced modulus. This empirical method should be employed only as a last resort where stresses cannot be computed on a strict theoretical basis.

On the basis of these tests and theoretical calculations the type of expansion joint tested was found to be inherently unsatisfactory for the following reasons:

1. This expansion joint experiences permanent deformation for very small elongations. These deformations become appreciable for a total elongation of 0.025", which is far below the requirement of 0.200".
2. The membrane and bending stresses are greatest in the vicinity of the weld. Since the weld material has the weakest physical properties, this is undesirable.
3. The present design is theoretically not sound, and is, therefore, difficult of solution. With a slight modification in design, the expansion joint could be subjected to an exact analysis with ease, and the stresses greatly reduced.
4. The specimen having the greater thickness failed at the weld for one cycle of elongation (from zero to 0.200" elongation and back





to zero at 600 + pressure). The specimen having the lesser thickness failed after experiencing approximately two and one-half such cycles, the failure occurring at three places at the weld.

A suggested expansion joint profile is shown in fig. e. The proportion  $r_1$ ,  $r_a$ ,  $r_b$ ,  $R$ , may be determined analytically by means of Art. 76 of Ref. 1. The procedure would be to choose the average  $\delta_T$  and  $p$  anticipated and solve for " $\delta$ " = zero at station Y. This means that the membrane will not deflect outward or inward at this point. Such a calculation would be very tedious but possible. An alternate solution would be to make several specimens and mount them in a manner similar to the method used in this test. Apply internal pressure by a suitable hydraulic pump, control elongation ( $\delta_T$ ) by a screw device, and note the change in a dial gage mounted at station Z. The specimen giving the least change in the dial reading at Z over the required range of  $p$  and  $\delta_T$  would be the best specimen. Bending stresses would be reduced to a minimum and the membrane theory would give great accuracy. Note that the design calls for a positive slope at all points. This avoids infinite values of  $\frac{r_2}{r_1}$  or indeterminate stresses. (Theoretical analysis becomes very complex if slope at any point is zero.) Preliminary studies show that a slope of 0.5 is desirable for the minimum value of the slope.

It may, perhaps, be argued that the expansion joint designed in Fig. e is similar to a sylphon and is governed primarily by bending stresses. That is true to a point, but it is only because membrane stresses have been kept in the elastic region. Moreover the bending



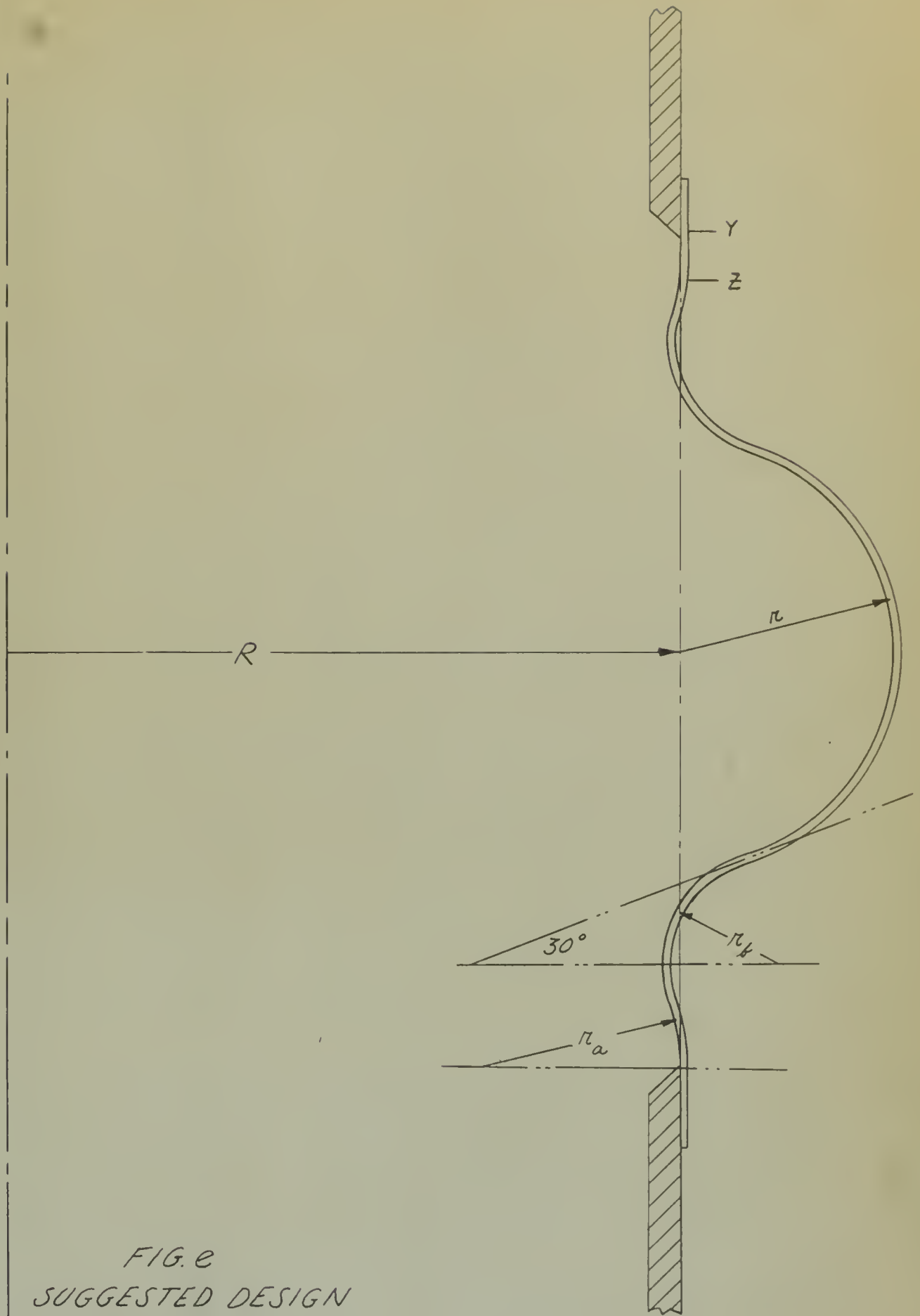


FIG. e  
SUGGESTED DESIGN  
FOR EXPANSION JOINT



stresses may then be retained in the elastic region. (Note that the bending theory gives stresses above the elastic limit for the point near the weld in original design for  $\delta_1 = 0.20''$ ).

It is not stated that the proposed design will give all stresses below the elastic limit. To obtain such a condition it may be necessary to resort to several bands. However, the design offered should have greater resistance to fatigue and may be satisfactory if the number of cycles required is not too great.

In regard to the parameter  $t$  (thickness) the theoretical analysis shows that the membrane stresses are inversely proportional to the thickness. This would indicate at first hand that a large value of  $t$  is desirable. Theory and the tests show, however, that large values of  $t$  set up large bending stresses for a given displacement in bending. This shows that there is an optimum value of  $t$ , probably only slightly above that required to keep the stresses in the elastic region.

The remaining parameters,  $r$  and  $L$ , are more or less determined by rocket design.

#### ANALYSIS OF TEST RESULTS

Both test and theory agree that stress is determined by the magnitude of  $H$ , representing the force per unit length required to produce elongation of the expansion ring. With a low value of  $H$ , the stresses will be reduced to a reasonable magnitude.

The additional stress due to internal pressure was found to be practically constant over deformations in the elastic region.



Experimental results in contrast to theoretical values are shown in Figs. 28 to 31. It will be noted that for the first specimen ( $t = 0.05''$ ) a large spread of stresses is obtained for various pressures. For the second specimen ( $t = 0.04''$ ) this variation with pressure was not clearly defined because fewer test points were obtained. In this regard, it is very difficult to obtain accurate readings for small elongations when the specimen has many dents and dimples, as did the specimens tested. At larger elongations these local irregularities tend to be removed by the increased stresses.

It should be noted that the above difficulty would not be encountered with a properly designed and carefully manufactured specimen.

It is believed that the stress readings were obtained with a degree of accuracy consistent with the precision of the specimen but inherent inaccuracies are still sufficient to account for any differences between observed results and the exact membrane theory. It should be noted from Figs. 28 to 31 that the stress variation agrees with theory in respect to elongation, pressure, and location of station; and that the specimen of lesser thickness gives the slightly better agreement and has lower values of stresses than the thicker specimen.

The empirical method, based on radial displacements, was found to be applicable and gave surprisingly good results considering the crudeness of the deformation pattern. The deformation pattern should, of course, be obtained by measuring the radial displacements of numerous stations.





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# STRAIN GAUGE CALIBRATION

STANDARD SPECIMEN - 2.11 ST

$$t = 0.0775 = \text{THICKNESS (IN)}$$

$$W = 0.5 = \text{WIDTH (IN)}$$

$$A = tW = 0.03875 \text{ in}^2 = \text{(CROSS SECTIONAL AREA (in}^2\text{))}$$

$$E = 10^7$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{P}{AE} = \frac{P}{0.03875} \times 10^{-7} = 25.8 P \times 10^{-7} = 2.58 P \times 10^{-6}$$

P	$\epsilon \times 10^4$	GAGE 1	GAGE 2	$\Delta P$	$\Delta \epsilon$	$\Delta G_1$	$\Delta G_2$
lbs	in/in	MV	MV	lbs	$\times 10^{-4}$ in/in	MV	MV
150	3.87	.278	.341	50	1.29	.278	.341
200	5.16	.578	.655	50	1.29	.300	.314
250	6.45	.878	.962	50	1.29	.300	.317
300	7.73	1.179	1.21	50	1.28	.301	.308
350	9.03	1.484	1.62	50	1.30	.310	.350
400	10.32	1.742	1.813	50	1.29	.301	.253
450	11.60	2.102	2.112	50	1.28	.306	.199
500	12.40	2.412	2.473	50	1.30	.310	.301
600	15.45	3.022	3.064	50	2.58	.510	.541
700	18.06	3.637	3.668	100	2.58	.617	.614
750	20.05	4.244	4.248	100	2.59	.605	.550
800	23.25	4.863	4.863	100	2.60	.614	.615
1000	25.80	5.765	5.743	100	2.55	.602	.570
1100	28.40	6.463	6.018	100	2.60	.598	.575

$\Sigma =$

25.82	3.961	3.846
1.291	.305	.296
	.296	

FOR AVERAGE  $\Delta P = 50 \text{ lb}$

$$2 \begin{array}{r} .601 \\ \hline .300 \end{array}$$

$$1 \text{ MV} = \frac{1.291 \times 10^{-4} \text{ in/in}}{0.3}$$

FOR STEEL:  $1 \text{ MV} = \frac{1.291 \times 10^{-4}}{0.3} \times 30 \times 10^6 = 12830 \text{ psi} = \sigma$

TABLE I



SPECIMEN NO 1

LOAD lbs	P PSI	$\delta_T$ ELONG. $\times 10^{-3}$	GAGE READINGS - ALL IN INCHES					
			1	2	3	4	5	
200	0	2.5	.022	.092	0.110	.067	No	
800	↓	5.5	.034	.213	0.258	.099	READING	
1400		12.5	.048	.339	.392	.130	1	
2000		15	.054	.444	.533	.153	REPLACED	
3200		16.5	.057	.765	.779	.212		
4400		21.5	.073	1.017	1.040	.292		
5600		24.0	.088	1.250	1.291	.432		
6800		28.5	.107	1.467	1.53	.828		
8000		33.5	.17	1.761	1.745	1.428		
450		25	19	.064	1.286	1.218	.484	.509
900		↓	16	.068	1.248	1.115	.460	.492
1200	16		.070	1.192	1.074	.437	.476	
1500	15		.067	1.173	1.038	.427	.462	
1800	13		.071	1.108	0.945	.480	.440	
2100	14		.071	1.057	0.875	.381	.421	
2700	12		.069	.937	0.81	.330	.403	
3300	9		.067	.846	0.672	.184	.375	
450	50		23	.112	1.845	1.83	.690	.719
900	↓		22	.09	1.65	1.727	.658	.658
1500			20	.092	1.628	1.547	.603	.632
1800		19	.092	1.60	1.511	.600	.625	
2100		18	.091	1.523	1.428	.566	.601	
2400		17.5	.100	1.531	1.398	.561	.593	
3000		17	.104	1.428	1.293	.527	.570	
3600		15	.097	1.346	1.187	.503	.532	
4200		13.5	.095	1.25	1.09	.457	.521	

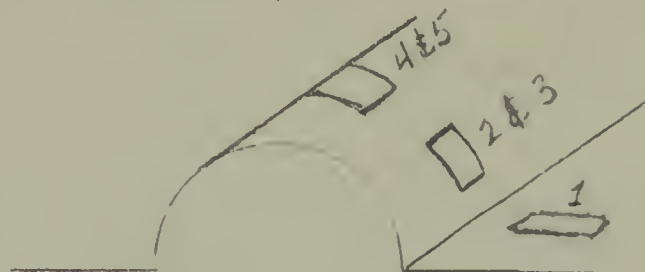


TABLE II





SPECIMEN NO. I

LOAD	P	$\delta_T$	GAGE READINGS - MILLIVOLTS				
lbs	PSI	ELONG x 10 <sup>-3</sup>	1	2	3	4	5
1500	75	28	.117	2.355	2.271	.861	.836
2100	↓	27	.115	2.244	2.165	.831	.827
2400		26	.110	2.165	2.031	.805	.792
2700		25	.110	2.134	2.050	.787	.787
3000		24	.110	2.106	2.022	.775	.776
3300		22	.108	2.03	1.946	.745	.752
3600		21	.108	2.013	1.924	.738	.745
3900		20	.105	1.934	1.850	.712	.726
4500		19	.104	1.878	1.794	.674	.685
5100		18	.104	1.774	1.640	.644	.658
3300		100	31	.122	2.83	2.796	.943
3900	↓	29.5	.119	2.70	2.616	.899	.935
4500		28	.111	2.63	2.529	.872	.908
5100		27.5	.112	2.755	2.671	.856	.876
5700		27	.111	2.575	2.491	.829	.876
6300		26	.105	2.462	2.378	.870	.857
5000		120	32	.146	3.422	3.338	1.230
6800	↓	35	.139	3.265	3.181	1.152	1.083
8000		33	.134	3.075	2.991	1.075	1.043
9800		28	.122	2.771	2.707	0.950	0.943
11000		25	.115	2.610	2.526	0.874	0.846
13500		19	.108	2.220	2.136	0.720	0.795
16000		11	.089	1.790	1.710	0.563	0.682
16000		180	35	.140	3.461	3.586	1.229
20000	↓	23	.115	3.113	2.586	0.950	0.975
24000		11	.100	2.462	1.776	0.704	0.780
20000		36.5	.140	3.960	3.704	1.327	1.340
22000	↓	31	.130	3.685	3.337	1.217	1.231
26000		20	.111	3.087	2.576	0.976	1.028
30000		10	.090	2.379	1.902	0.701	0.775

TABLE II (CONT.)



SPECIMEN NO. 1

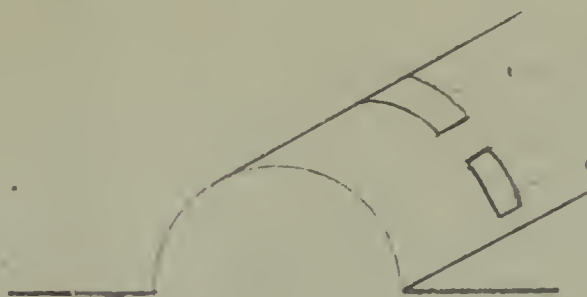
LOAD lbs	P PSI	$\sigma_T$ $\frac{\text{CALC}}{\times 10^{-3}}$	GAGE READINGS - MILLIMETERS				
			1	2	3	4	5
30000	300	36	0.147	4.050	3.800	1.454	1.523
32000	↓	31.5	.135	3.773	3.425	1.334	1.477
36000	↓	21.0	.112	3.172	2.644	1.092	1.216
40000	↓	10.5	.092	2.537	1.824	0.832	0.957
43000	400	35.5	.140	4.257	3.859	1.540	1.643
45000	↓	31	.125	3.985	3.391	1.437	1.511
49000	↓	21	.110	3.431	2.635	1.190	1.362
54000	↓	6	.070	2.718	1.900	0.912	1.170
58000	500	46.5	.164	4.362	3.506	1.313	1.940
60000	↓	42.5	.152	4.088	3.130	1.730	1.890
64000	↓	37.5	.130	3.476	2.303	1.528	1.720
69000	↓	14.5	.100	2.802	0.340	1.152	1.363
83000	600	10	.100	2.776		1.130	1.541
78000	↓	23	.115	3.519	2.137	1.402	1.570
76000	↓	28	.120	3.858	2.571	1.520	1.689
72000	↓	37	.132	4.379	3.303	1.675	2.110
72100	↓	47	.141	4.628	3.703	1.830	2.720
67000	↓	52	.150	4.889	4.130	1.712	2.435
64000	↓	65	.152	2.868	4.770	2.283	2.690

TABLE II (CONT.)



# SPECIMEN No. 2

LOAD	P	OT	GAGE READINGS - MILLIMETERS								
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
165	PSI	$\frac{11.49}{2.53}$									
14500	100	-1.5	-062	.108	.155	.175	—	—	—	—	—
27500	200	-2.5	.320	.253	.315	.212	—	.037	—	—	
40250	300	-4.0	.477	.390	.473	.312	—	.172	—	—	
53250	400	-4.5	.655	.558	.645	.443	—	.125	—	—	
66200	500	-6.5	.040	.921	1.021	.752	—	.125	—	—	
11450	100	+8.5	.529	.571	.425	.462	.198	.311	.283	.300	
24550	200	8.0	.668	.633	.563	.557	.152	.319	.245	.265	
37600	300	6.5	.825	.822	.718	.659	.146	.352	.242	.248	
50250	400	5.0	.972	.967	.861	.765	.100	.400	.241	.240	
62000	500	10.5	1.140	1.268	1.087	.973	.337	.626	.455	.413	
8750	100	18.5	.571	.733	.195	.442	.502	.669	.714	.631	
21675	200	20.5	.688	.882	.355	.550	.514	.738	.757	.618	
34150	300	19.0	.832	1.020	.525	.666	.526	.740	.765	.676	
46900	400	17.5	.913	1.155	.681	.770	.529	.828	.750	.648	
59400	500	19.5	1.128	1.336	.862	.709	.581	.917	.810	.692	
7200	100	28.5	.304	.615	—	.074	.713	1.001	.238	1.007	
19250	200	28.0	.438	.757	.024	.197	.703	1.042	.259	1.008	
31900	300	28.5	.637	.891	.208	.306	.714	1.105	.281	1.022	
44400	400	30.0	.771	1.018	.372	.434	.735	1.208	.354	1.070	
57300	500	30.0	.897	1.138	.547	.547	.796	1.252	.342	1.056	
69000	600	30.0	1.011	1.242	.700	.661	.837	1.334	.578	1.073	



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TABLE II (CONT.)



SPECIMEN No. 2

LOAD	P	$\delta_T$	GAUGE READINGS - MILLIVOLTS							
lbs	PSI	$\frac{E \cdot \delta_T}{L}$								
5400	100	36.5	—	.134	—	—	711	1.250	1.884	1.175
18000	200	37.5	0	.251	—	—	841	1.362	1.944	1.251
30900	300	40.0	.157	.400	—	—	851	1.400	1.978	1.222
42800	400	40.75	.267	.480	.075	—	915	1.468	2.031	1.245
55800	500	39.0	.400	.548	.251	—	940	1.490	2.000	1.205
67700	600	34.5	.531	.720	.415	.104	933	1.532	2.012	1.198
5400	100	45.25	-.272	.005	-.470	-.470	1.048	1.563	2.174	1.463
17350	200	47.75	-.022	.300	-.275	-.271	1.164	1.722	2.320	1.511
29550	300	50.25	.180	.508	-.078	-.192	1.127	1.850	2.436	1.664
41100	400	51.25	.342	.662	.157	-.074	1.310	1.921	2.491	1.691
54000	500	51.5	.550	.800	.396	+065	1.351	2.000	2.550	1.737
66500	600	51.5	.715	1.002	.573	+205	1.412	2.053	2.595	1.705
64300	600	52.25	-.053	.321	.431	-.108	1.732	2.250	2.910	1.677
64500	"	74.75	-.572	-.100	1.458	-.204	1.711	3.938	3.720	1.303
62750	"	40.00	-.993	-.615	2.583	-.224	2.442	5.200	4.832	1.33
61750	"	113.00	-1.600	-1.384	4.306	-.168	3.142	6.513	6.717	3.715
61300	"	140.00	-1.780	-1.863	5.555	-.247	4.925	8.302	8.818	6.552
54300	"	146.	-1.650	-2.172	6.400	-.362	6.300	10.743	10.65	4.012
57000	"	202	-.471	-2.506	8.141	-.624	4.305	13.358	2.733	9.774

TABLE II (CONT.)





SPECIMEN No. 1.

LOAD	P	$\delta_T$	STRESS - P.S.I.				
lbs	PSI	ELONG $\times 10^{-3}$	1	2	3	4	5
200	0	2.5	282	1100	1300	860	
800	↓	5.5	436	2700	3310	1245	
1400		12.5	615	4250	5110	1670	
2000		15.0	757	5600	6850	1902	
3200		16.5	757	9800	10000	2720	
4400		21.5	936	13000	13300	3740	
5000		24.0	1130	16000	16580	5550	
6800		28.5	1372	18750	18000	14600	
8000		33.5	1500	22600	22400	15000	
450	25	19	822	16500	15600	6100	6540
900	↓	16	873	16000	14750	5800	6300
1200		16	848	15300	13700	5600	6120
1500		15	873	15000	13300	5300	5920
1800		13	911	14200	12100	5100	5640
2100		14	911	13400	11300	4800	5400
2700		12	886	12000	10750	4200	5170
3300		9	886	10800	8600	3500	4870
450		50	23	1515	23700	23500	8500
900	↓	22	1154	21200	22200	8300	8450
1500		20	1180	20800	19800	7600	8100
1800		19	1180	20500	19400	7600	8020
2100		18	1245	19600	18300	7200	7700
2400		17.5	1283	19250	17900	7200	7600
3000		17	1310	18300	16600	6600	7440
3600		15	1245	17250	15250	6300	7200
4200		13.5	1220	16100	14400	5800	6680

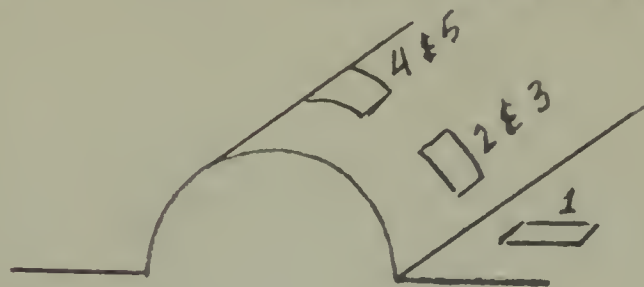


TABLE III



SPECIMEN NO. 1

LOAD	P	$\delta_T$	STRESS - P.S.I.				
lbs	PSI	$\frac{E \cdot \Delta L}{L} \times 10^{-3}$	1	2	3	4	5
1500	75	28	1510	30200	29150	11000	10720
2100		27	1475	28850	27800	10610	10630
2400		26	1410	27800	26700	10250	10180
2700		25	1410	27300	26300	10000	10100
3000		24	1410	27000	25700	9900	9970
3300		22	1385	26000	25000	9500	9650
3600		21	1385	25800	24750	9400	9560
3900		20	1350	24700	23750	9000	9310
4500		19	1335	24000	23000	8600	8790
5100		18	1335	22750	21700	8200	8450
3300	100	31	1566	37000	35850	12070	12000
3900		29.5	1530	34710	33550	11470	12010
4500		28	1425	33500	32450	11200	11650
5100		27.5	1440	34100	34250	10800	11500
5700		27	1425	33050	32000	10500	11250
6300		26	1350	31600	30500	9780	11000
5000	120	38	1875	43850	43400	15800	14400
6800		35	1785	41900	40800	14800	13900
8000		33	1720	39450	38400	13800	13400
9800		28	1566	35800	34750	12200	12100
11000		25	1480	33500	32400	11200	11500
13500		19	1388	28500	27400	9200	10200
16000		11	1040	22950	21950	7730	8750
16000		180	35	1795	48600	45400	15800
20000	23		1475	39900	12200	12500	
24000	11		1282	31600	9040	10000	
20000	220	36.5	1795	50800	47000	17550	16720
22000		31	1670	42800	15600	15800	
26000		20	1410	33000	12530	13180	
30000		10	1150	22500	9000	9950	

TABLE III (CONT.)



SPECIMEN NO. 1

LOAD lbs	P PSI	$\delta_T$ ELONG $\times 10^{-3}$	STRESS - P.S.I.				
			1	2	3	4	5
30000	300 ↓	36	1885	52100	45800	18650	19550
32000		31.5	1730	48350	44000	17100	18300
36000		21.0	1440	40600	34000	14000	15600
40000		18.5	1180	32400	23400	10680	12660
43000	400 ↓	35.5	1800	54600	49500	19750	21100
45000		31	1600	51200	43500	18400	19400
49000		21	1410	44000	33800	15350	17500
54000		6	899	34850	22500	11900	15000
58000	500 ↓	46.5	2100	56600	45000	23250	24900
60000		42.5	1950	52400	40200	22200	24750
64000		32.5	1670	44550	29600	19600	22100
64000		14.5	1283	35750	10000	14800	17500
83000	600 ↓	10	1283	35700		14500	19800
78000		23	1475	45200	27400	18000	20000
76000		28	1540	49500	33000	19500	21600
72000		37	1700	56200	42400	21500	27100
70000		44	1810	57400	47500	23500	34900
67000		57	1925	62800	53000	25400	31250
64000		65	1950	62500	57400	29300	34500

TABLE III (CONT.)



SPECIMEN NO 2.

LOAD	P	$\delta_T$	STRESS - P.S.I.								
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
165	psi.	$\frac{21.49}{\times 10^{-3}}$									
14500	100	-1.5	796	1386	1990	1220	—	—	—	—	
27500	200	-2.5	4110	3250	4040	2720	—	474	—	—	
40250	300	-4.0	6120	5010	6080	4080	—	924	—	—	
5325	400	-4.5	8410	7170	8280	5640	—	1603	—	—	
66200	500	-6.5	13350	11800	13100	9650	—	1603	—	—	
11400	100	+8.5	6790	7330	5460	5710	2540	3990	3055	3359	
24550	200	8.0	8580	8770	7240	7150	1950	4100	3143	3148	
37600	300	6.5	10580	10550	9230	8460	1870	4570	3110	3182	
50250	400	5.0	12460	12400	11150	9830	2125	5130	3175	3403	
62000	500	10.5	15780	16250	13730	12500	4350	8040	5870	5832	
8750	100	18.5	6790	9400	2500	5670	6430	8590	9170	8100	
21075	200	20.5	8840	11300	4560	7660	6660	4480	9720	8360	
34150	300	14.0	10670	13100	6740	8560	6760	10120	9820	8345	
46700	400	17.5	12600	14860	8750	9880	6980	10620	9710	8860	
54400	500	14.5	14470	17120	11050	11650	7450	11750	10400	9670	
7200	100	28.5	4160	7840	—	450	9150	12850	15870	12442	
19250	200	28.0	6270	9710	308	2530	9020	13380	16130	12860	
31900	300	28.5	8170	11420	7670	3930	9220	14180	16430	13237	
44400	400	30.0	9400	13040	5030	5570	10050	15500	17350	14162	
56800	500	30.0	11500	14660	7020	7070	10200	16050	17200	14233	
69000	600	30.0	12480	15470	8980	8470	10750	17100	17660	12320	

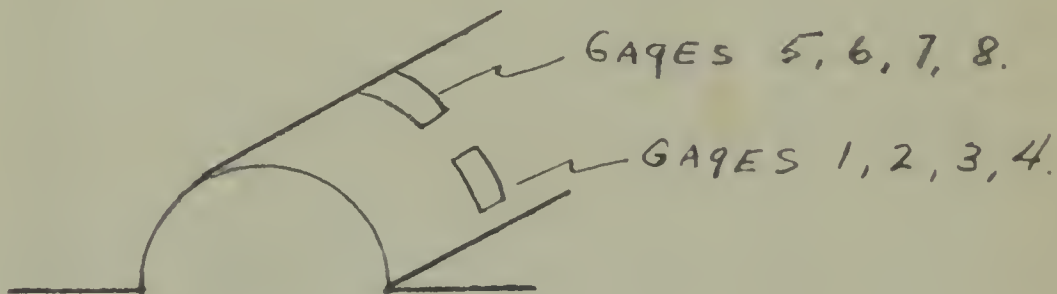


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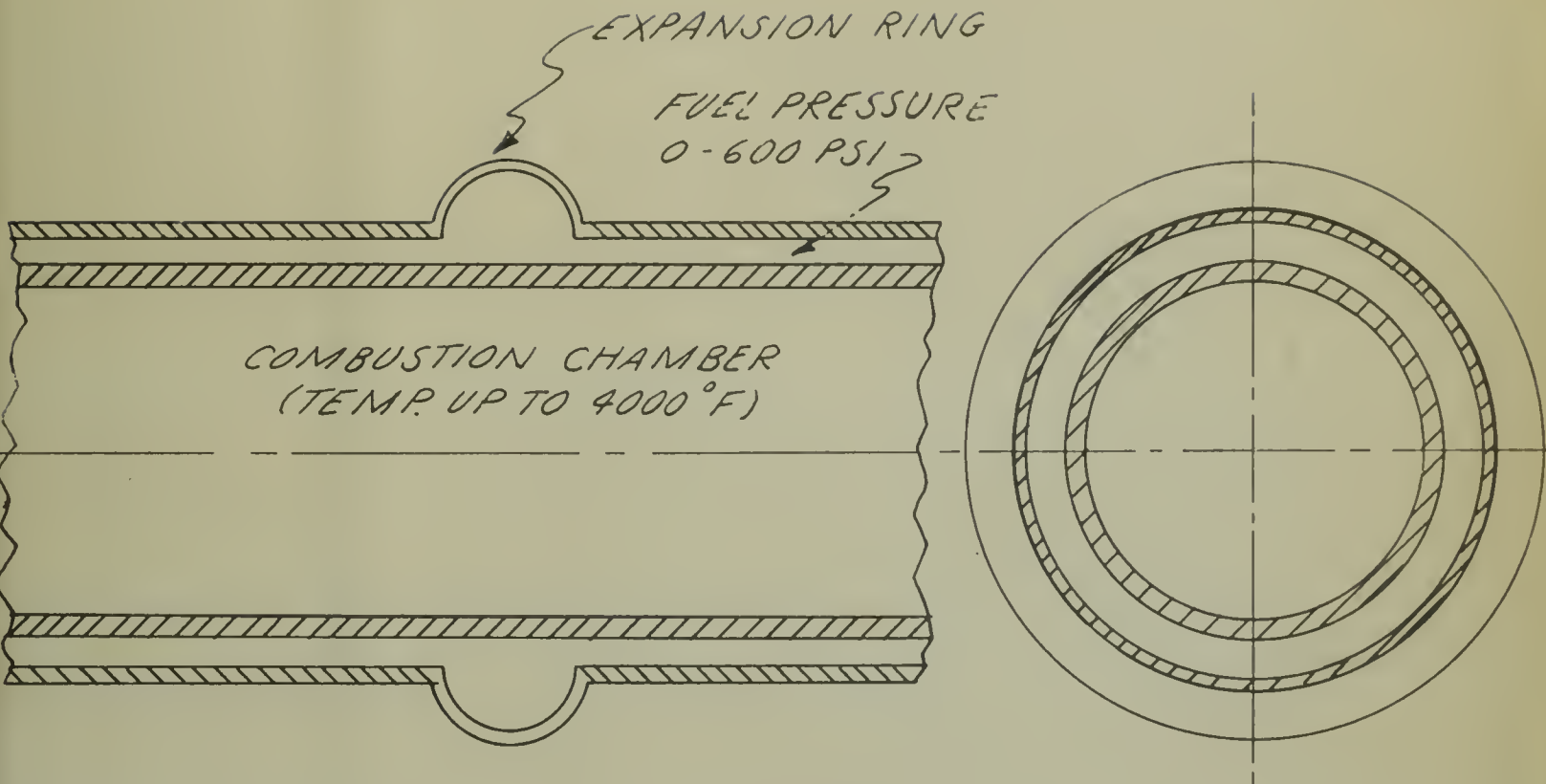


SPECIMEN NO 2

LOAD	P	$\delta_T$	STRESS - P.S.I.							
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
5900	100	36.5	—	1783	—	—	10000	16040	24150	15080
13000	200	39.5	0	3220	—	—	10370	17470	25620	16050
30900	300	40	2015	5140	—	—	11020	17950	25610	15670
42800	400	40.75	3430	6170	1090	—	11600	18800	26020	15970
55800	500	39	5140	7680	3220	—	11620	19100	25650	15450
67700	600	39.5	6820	9250	5330	1400	11970	19650	25700	15300
5900	100	45.25	-3490	64.2	-6030	-6030	13450	20030	27900	18800
17850	200	47.75	-282	3850	-2882	-3730	15000	22000	29800	20400
29550	300	50.25	2310	6520	-359	-2210	14450	23800	31250	21410
41700	400	51.25	4260	8490	2018	-950	16800	24650	31950	21650
54000	500	52.5	7060	11050	4950	+873	17800	25900	32800	22300
66500	600	51.5	9160	12870	7350	+2630	18000	25900	32800	22300
64300	"	62.5	-744	4110	8170	-1385	22000	28550	38400	21500
64000	"	74.75	-6780	-1283	18700	-3385	24900	50500	47700	17500
67750	"	90.0	-12730	-7870	33200	-2870	29400	67800	62000	17070
61750	"	113	-20500	-17770	52300	-2155	40900	85500	83200	47500
60200	"	140.	-22810	-23900	71200	-3180	63200	113600	113200	84000
54750	"	166	-21200	-27900	81200	-4720	87200	137400	136700	104000
57000	"	202.	-12800	-32150	104800	-8000	120000	171200	164500	125500

TABLE III (CONT.)





ROCKET SECTION

THE FOLLOWING TEMPERATURE DISTRIBUTION  
IS ASSUMED:

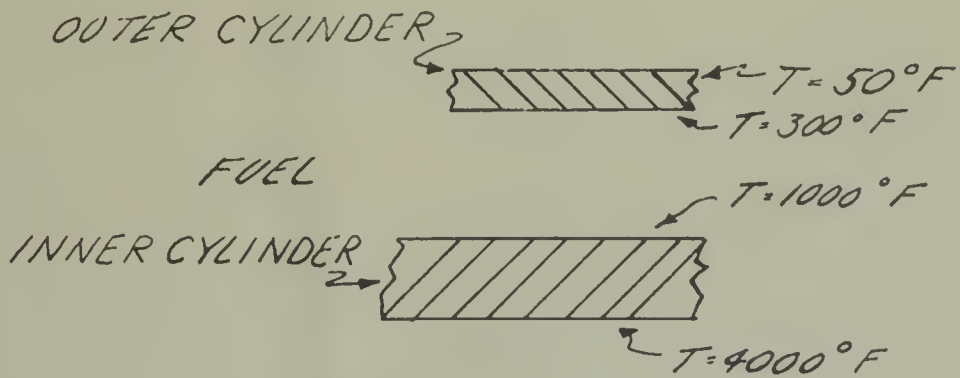
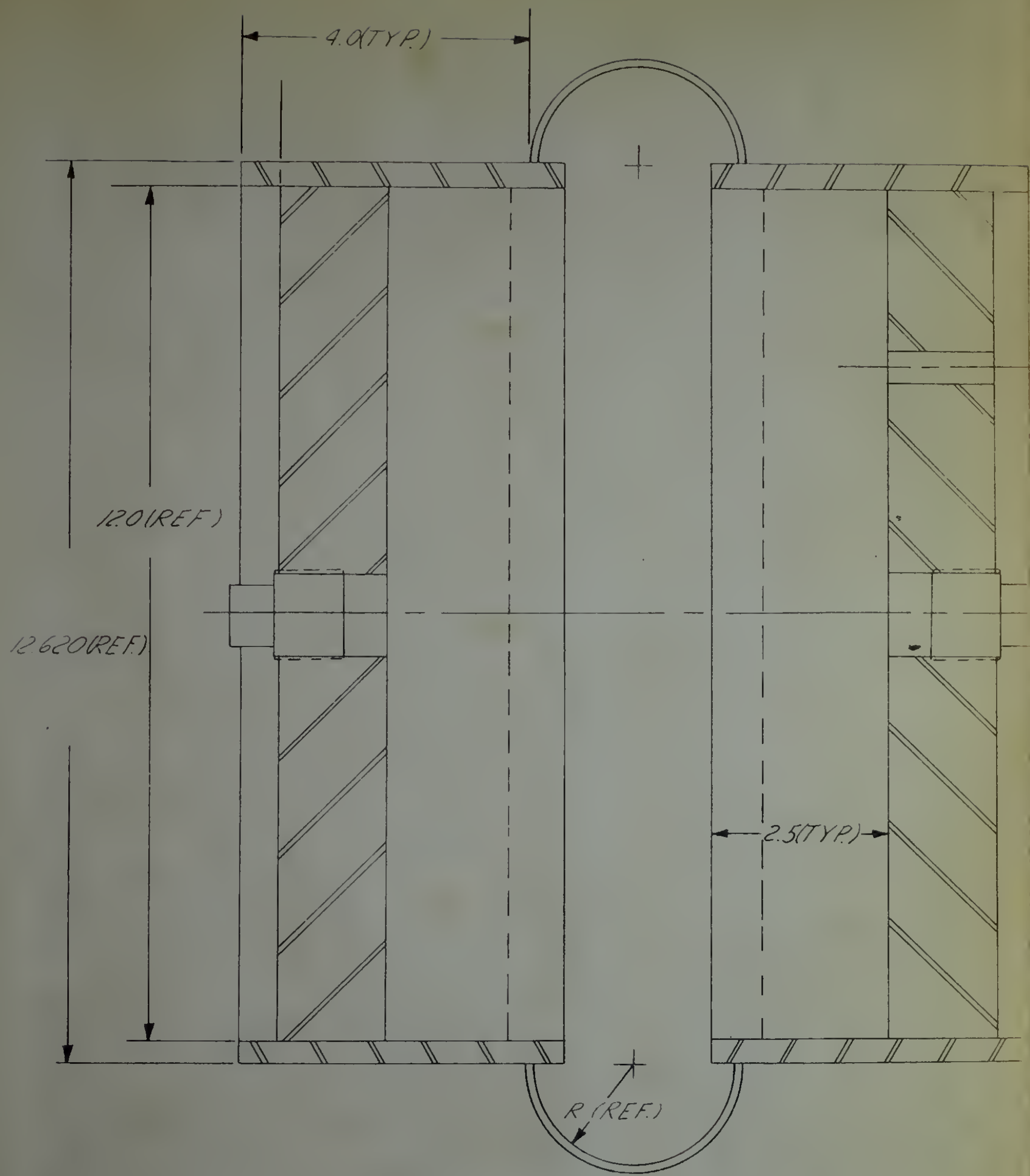


FIG. 1





$\phi$



FIG. 2

SCALE  $\frac{1}{2}$



1 MV = 12830 LBS/IN<sup>2</sup>

40000

30000

$\sigma$  (PSI)

20000

15000

10000

5000

0

.5

1

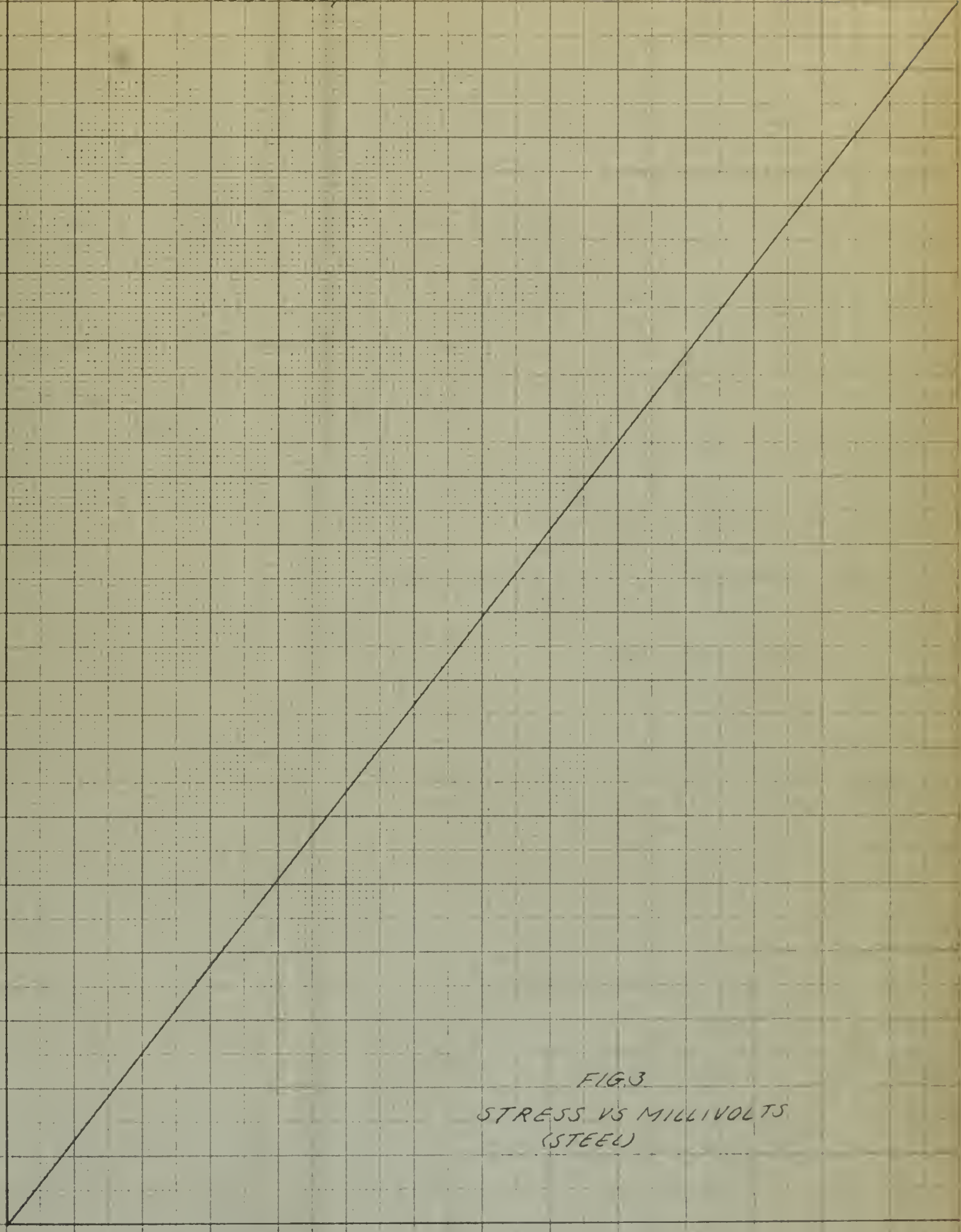
MILLIVOLTS

2

3

FIG. 3

STRESS VS MILLIVOLTS  
(STEEL)







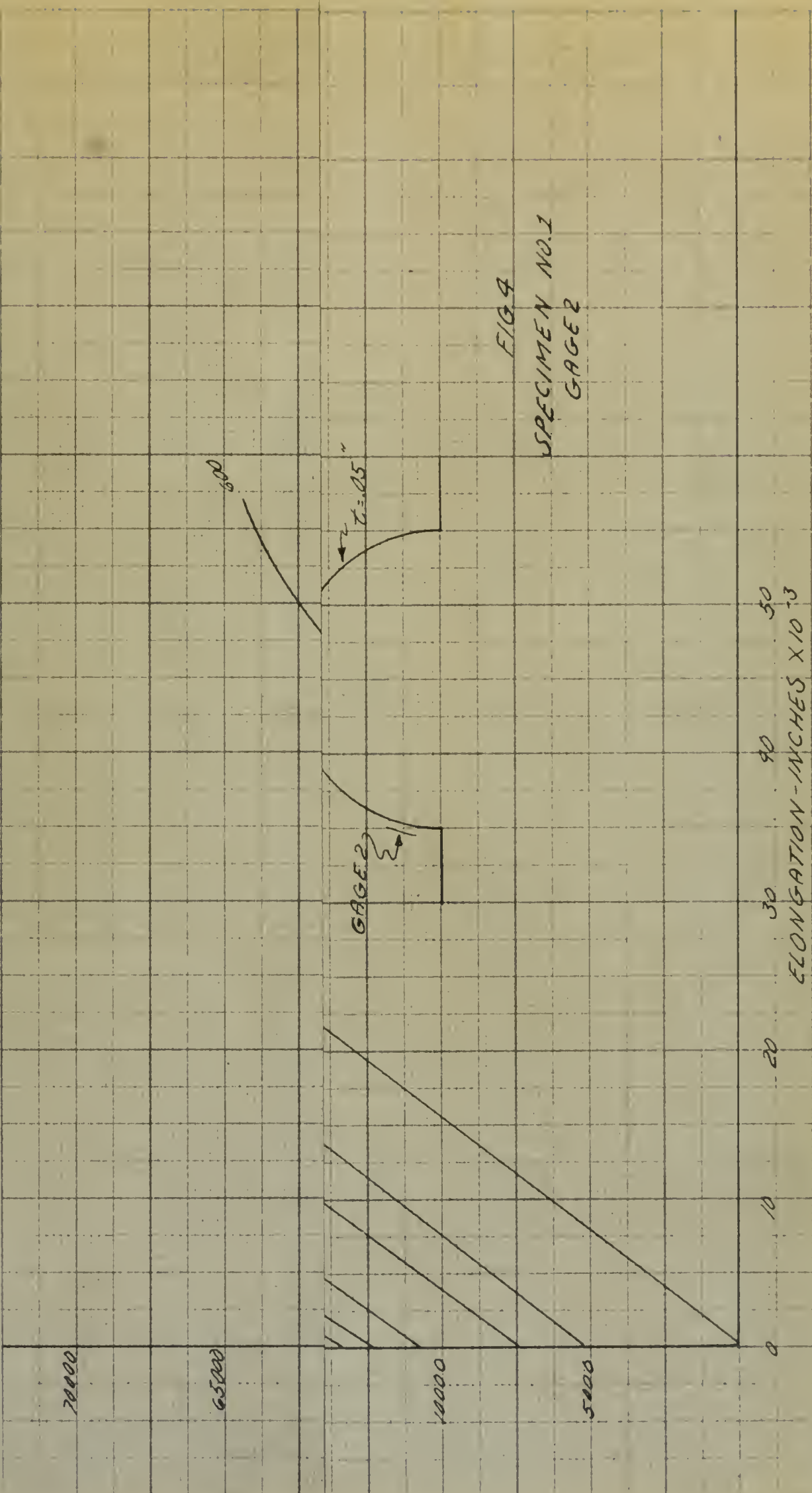


FIG 9  
SPECIMEN NO. 1  
GAGE 2



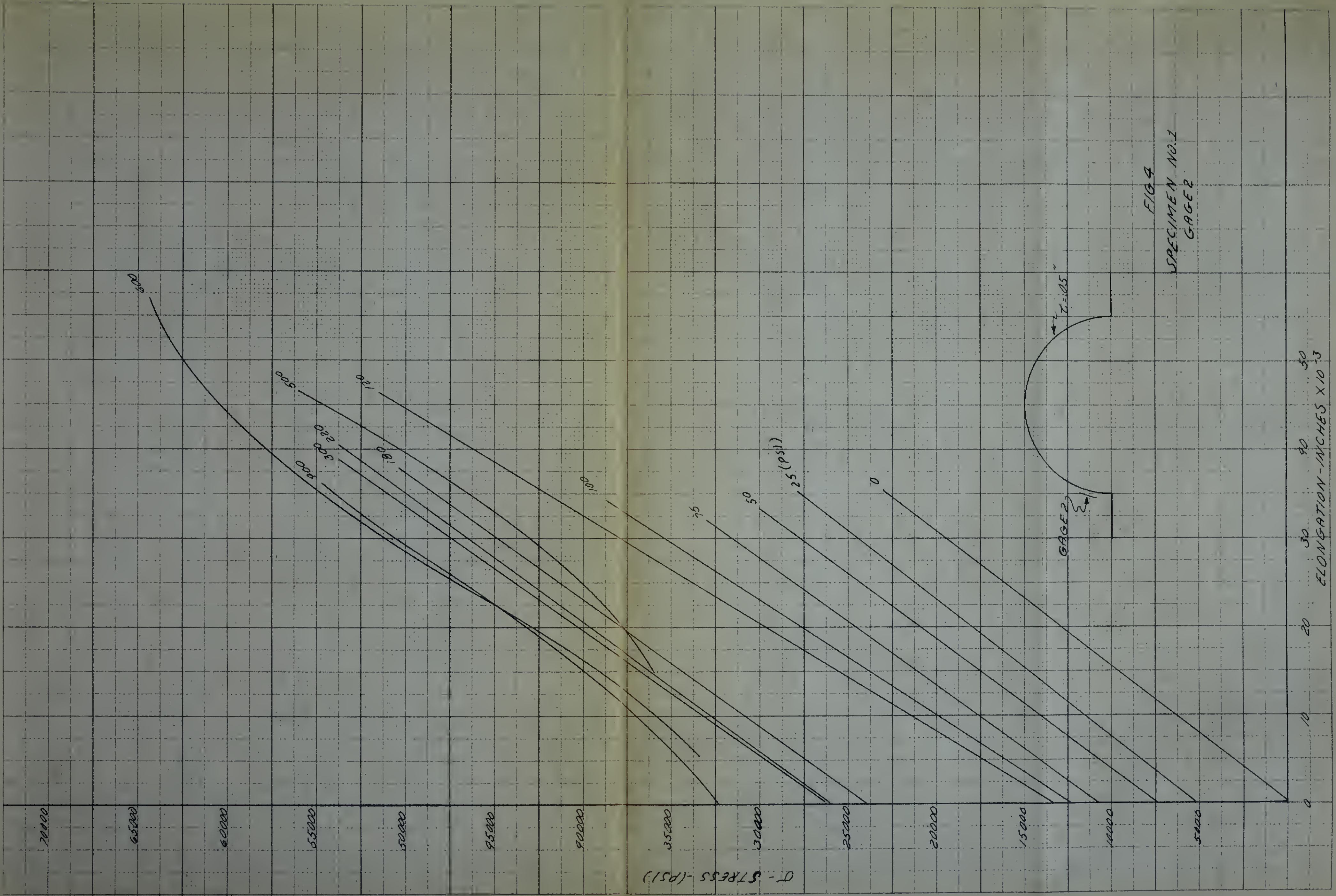
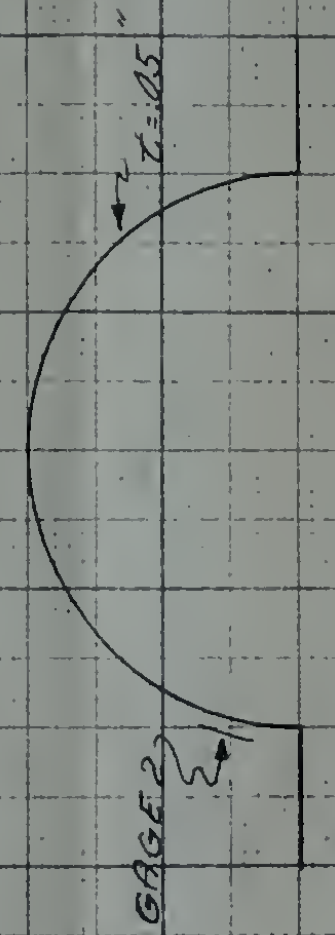


FIG 4  
SPECIMEN NO. 1  
GAGE 2



T - STRESS (PSI)

ELONGATION - INCHES X 10<sup>-3</sup>



σ - STRESS - PSI

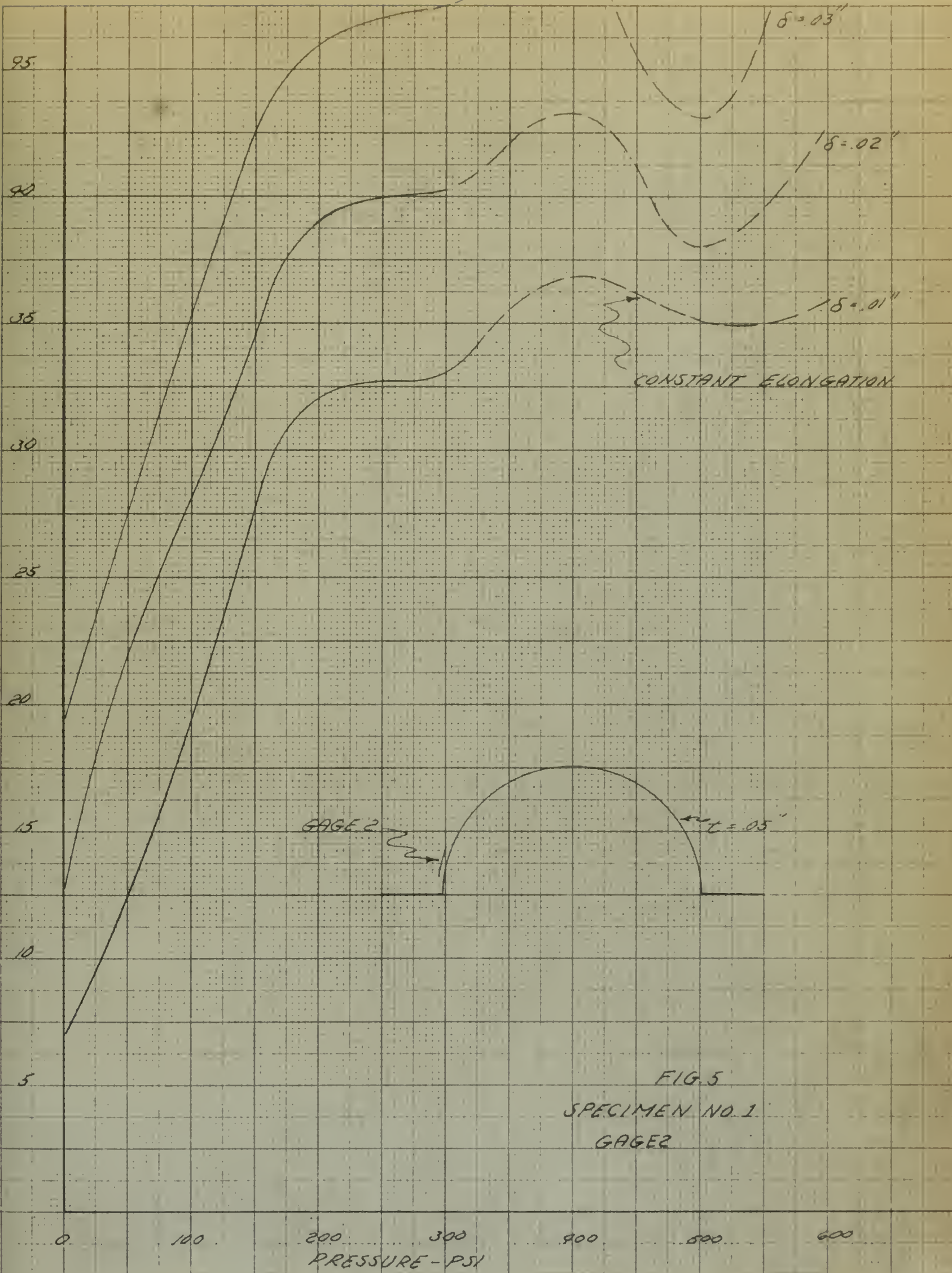
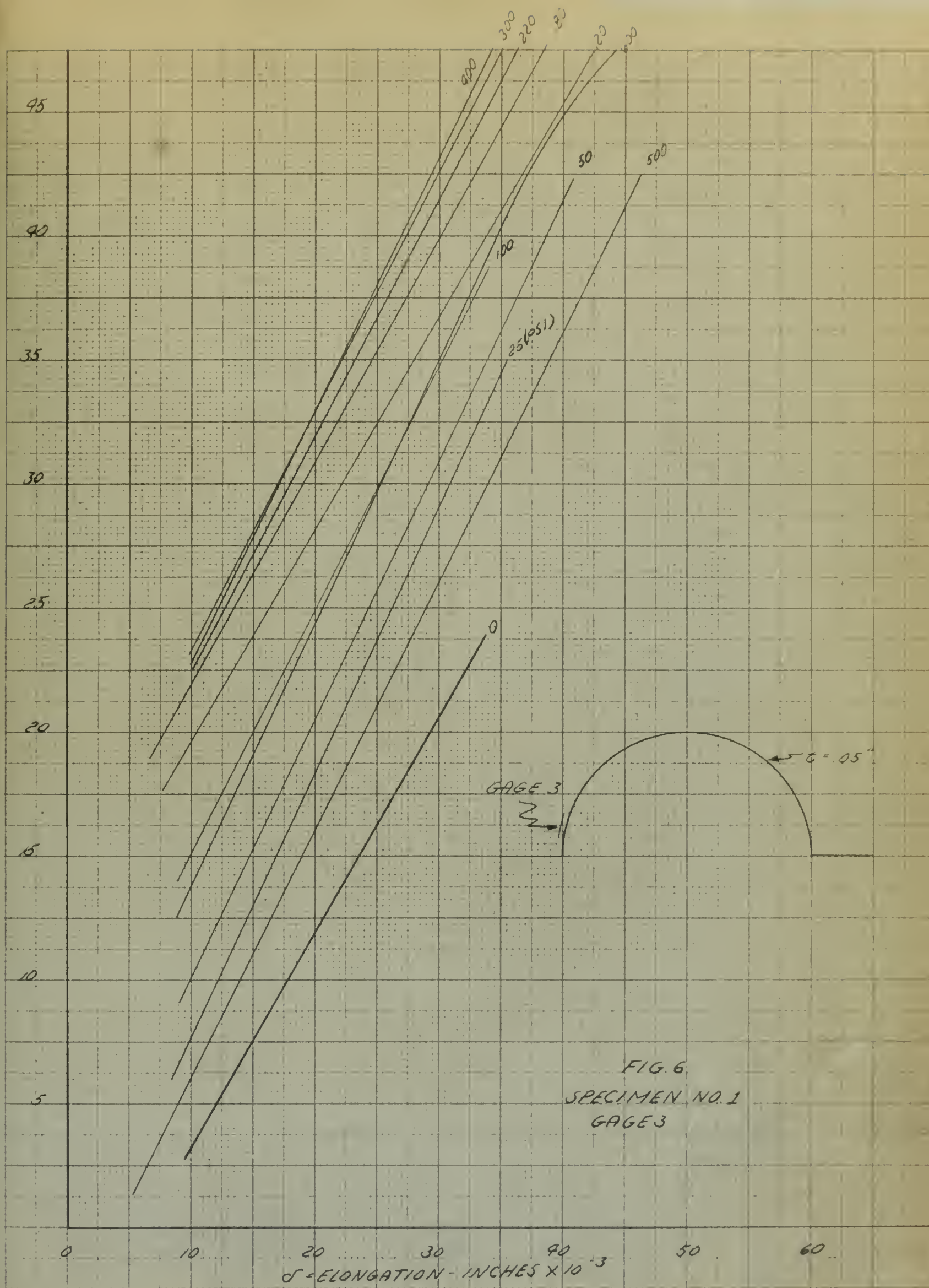


FIG. 5  
SPECIMEN NO. 1  
GAGE 2



$\sigma$  - STRESS X 1000 - PSI







$\sigma$  - STRESS X 1000 (PSI)

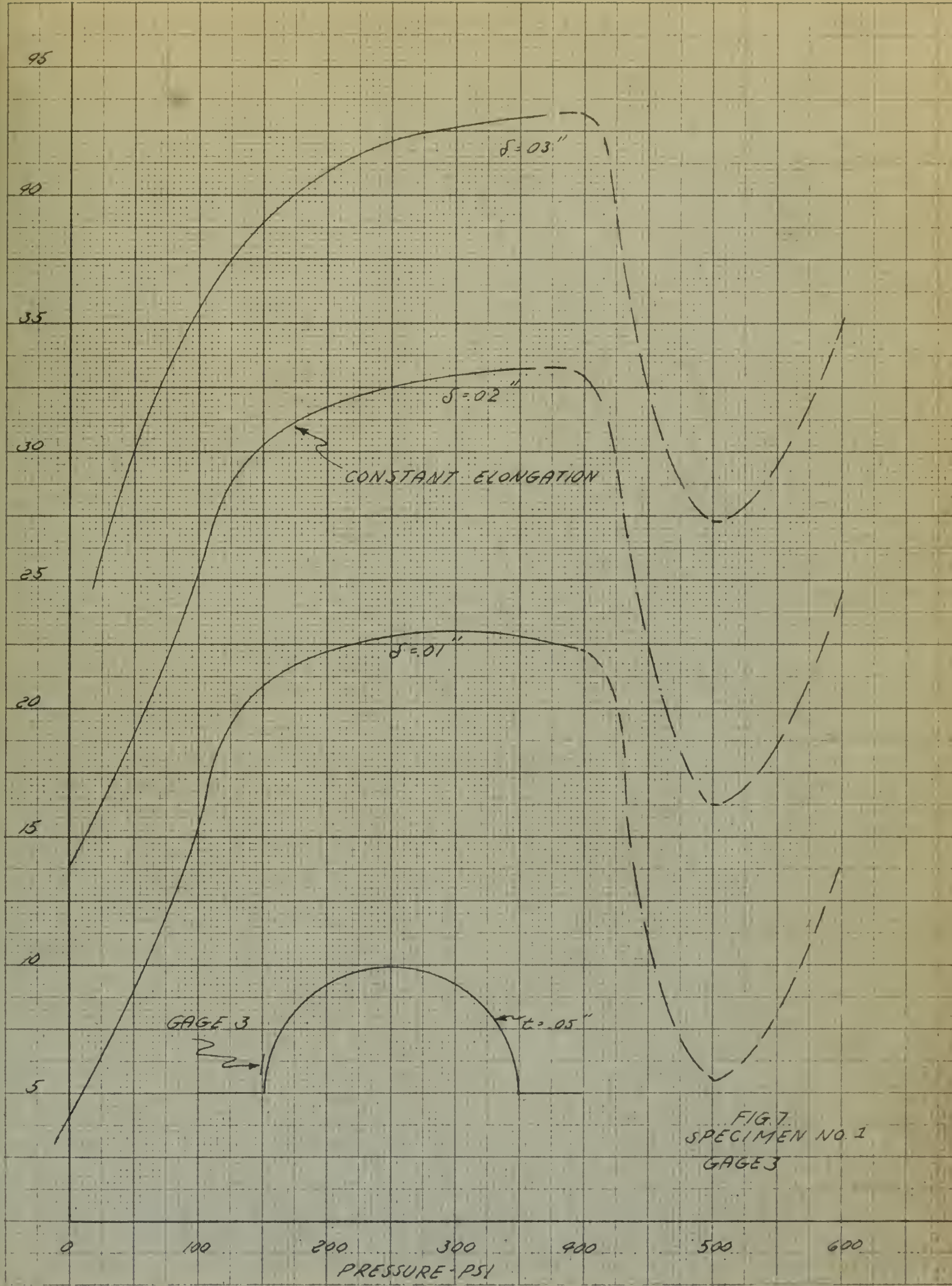
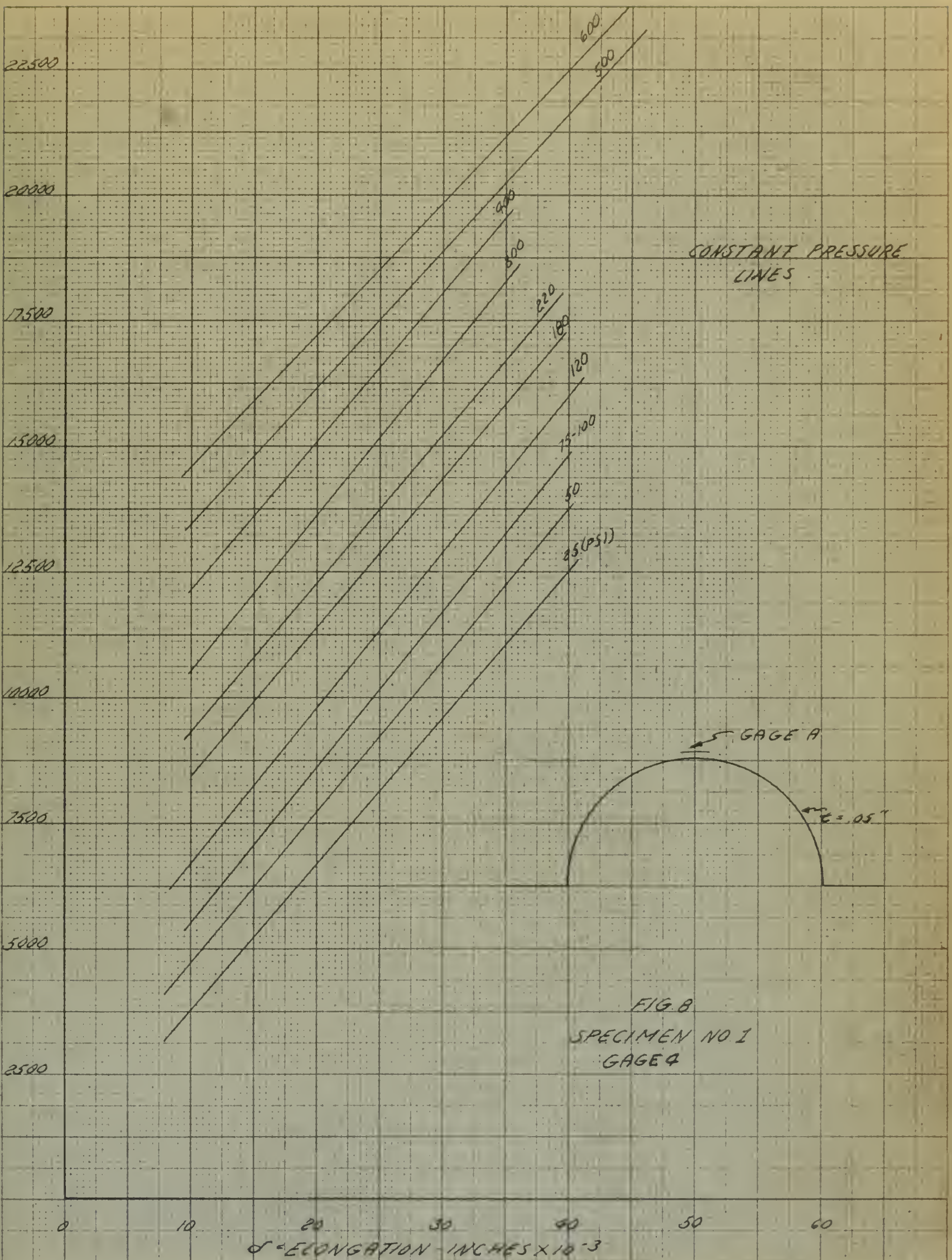


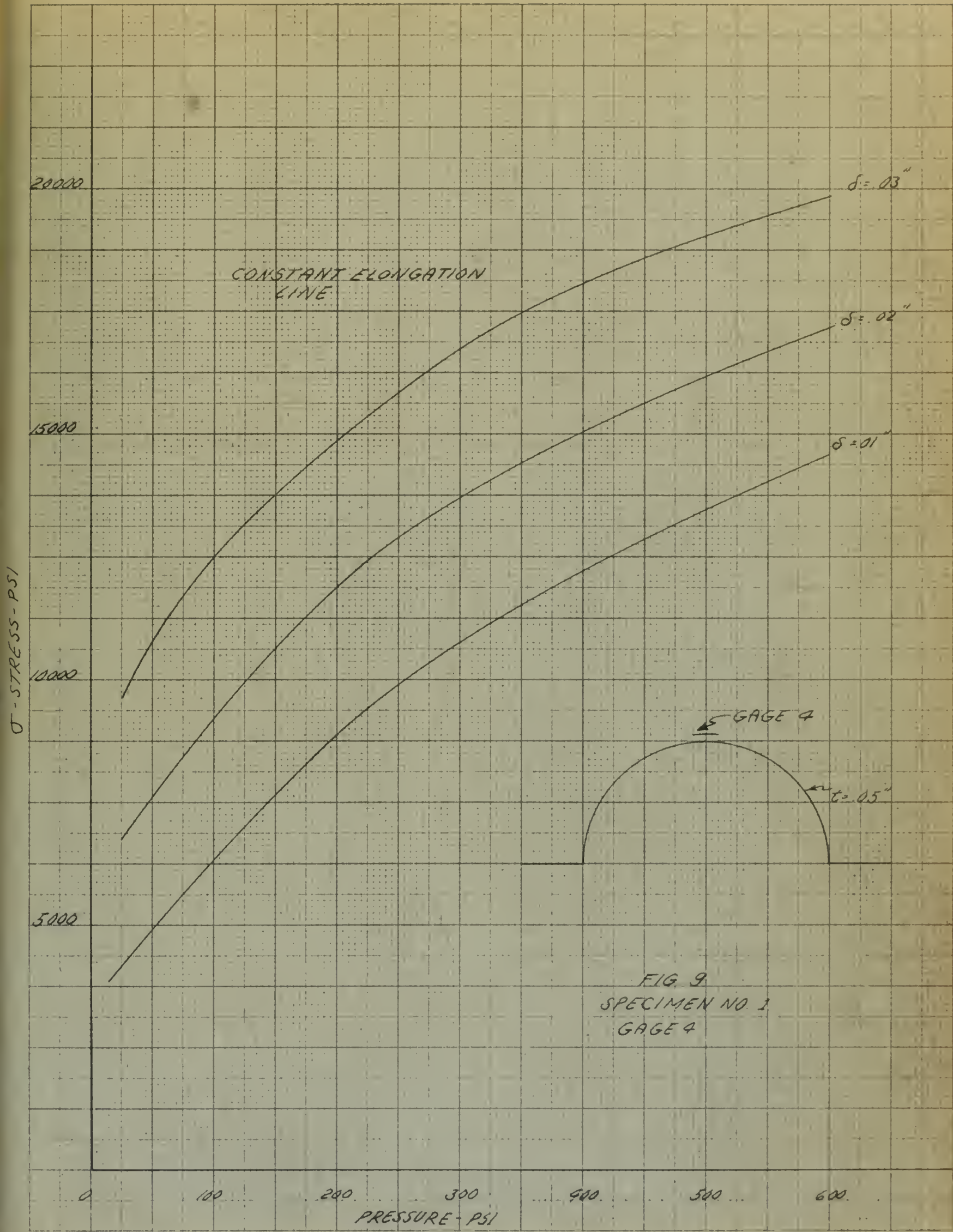
FIG. 7  
SPECIMEN NO. 1  
GAGE 3



$\sigma$  - STRESS - PSI

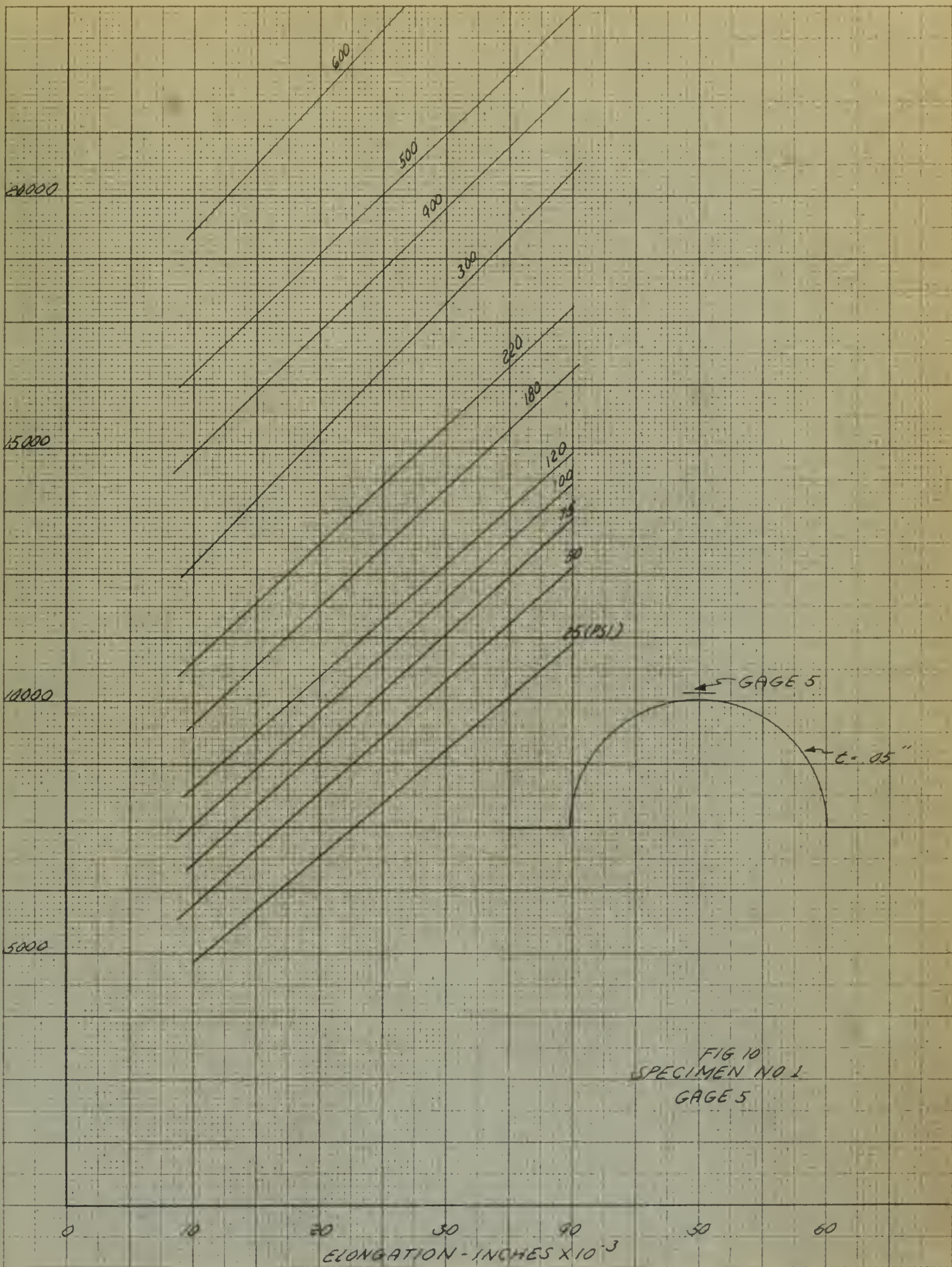








$\sigma$ -STRESS - PSI







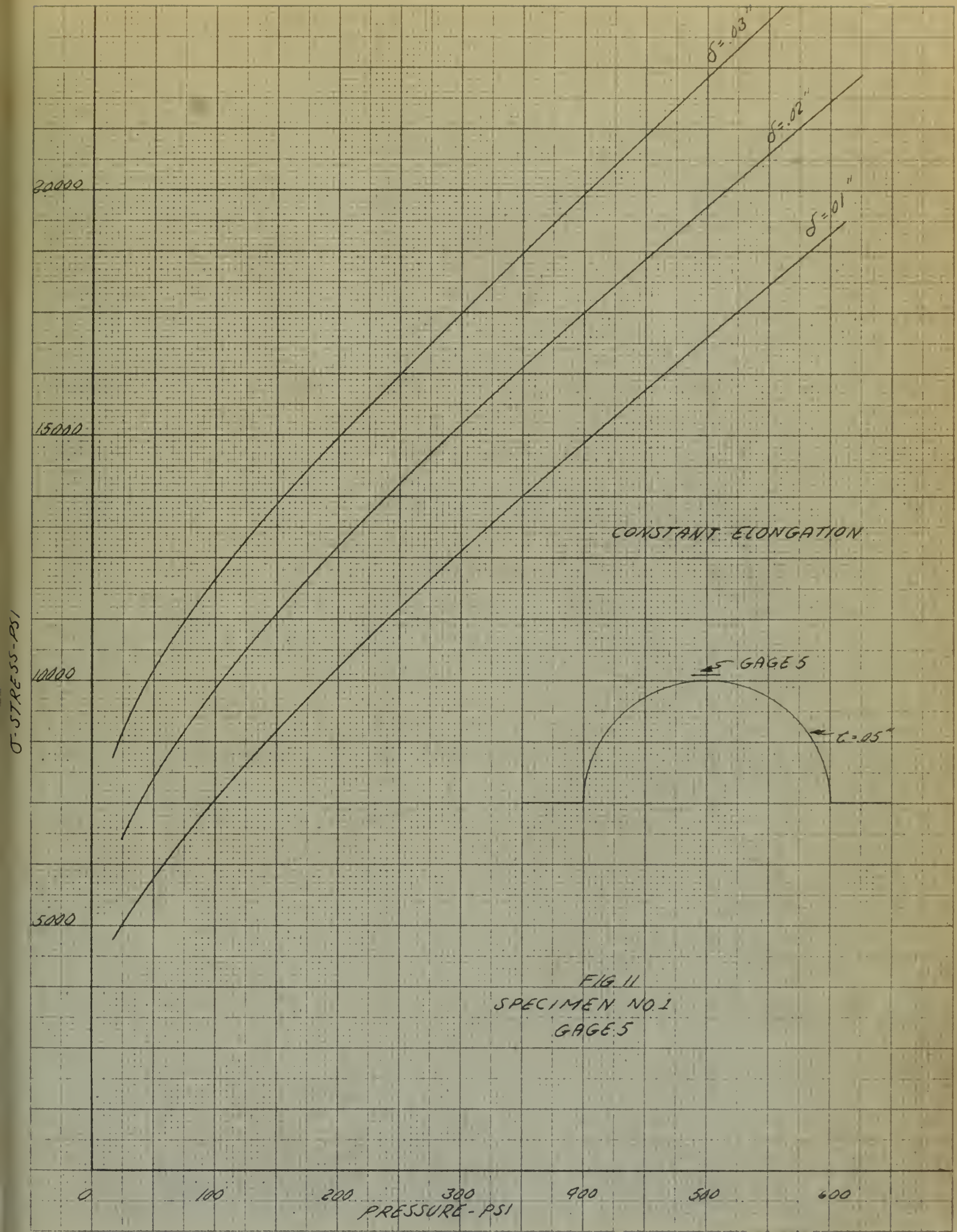




FIG. 12  
SPECIMEN NO. 2  
GAGE 1

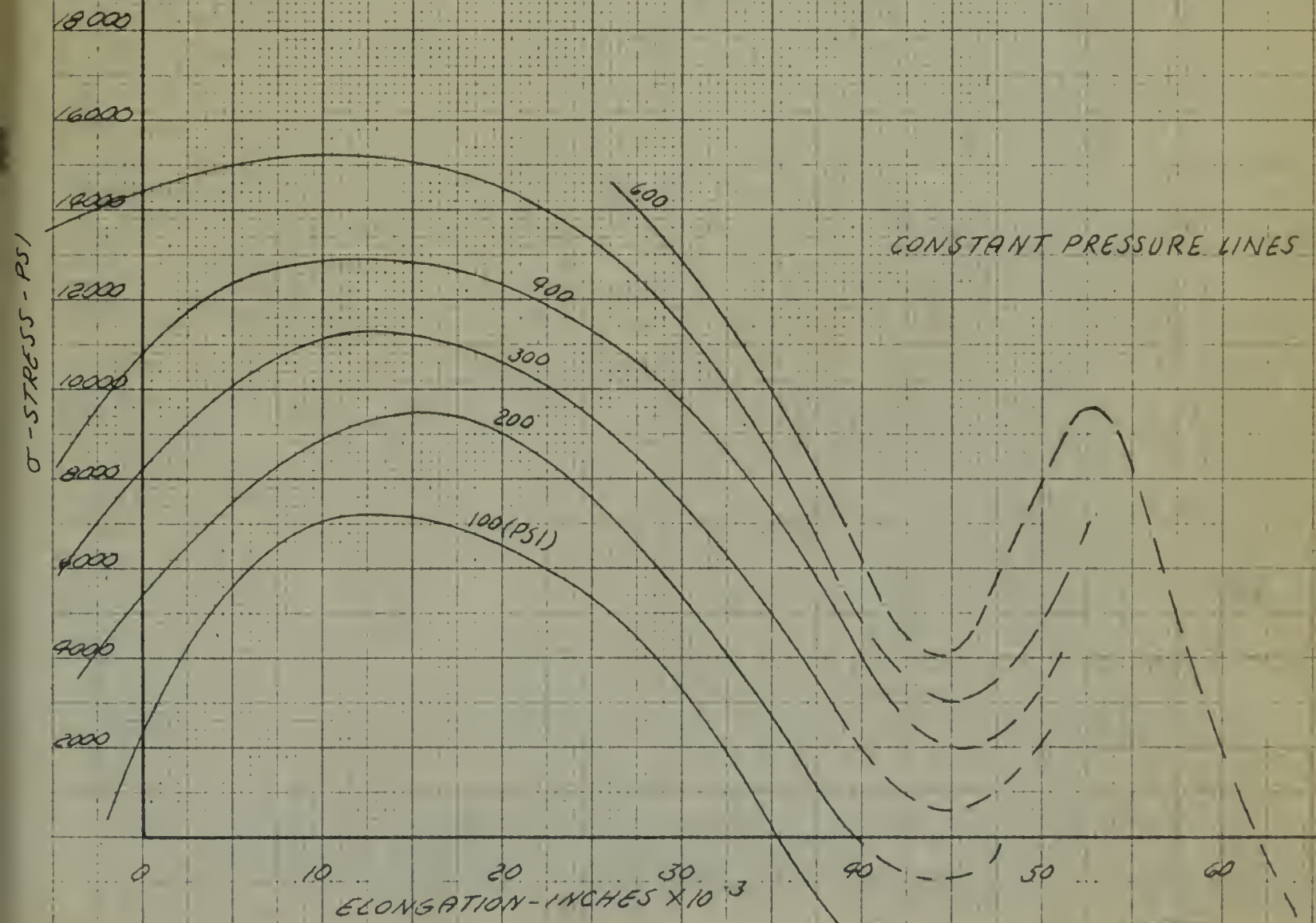
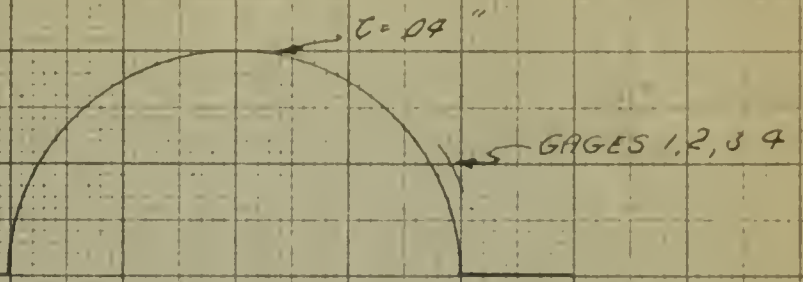




FIG. 13  
SPECIMEN NO. 2  
GAGE 2

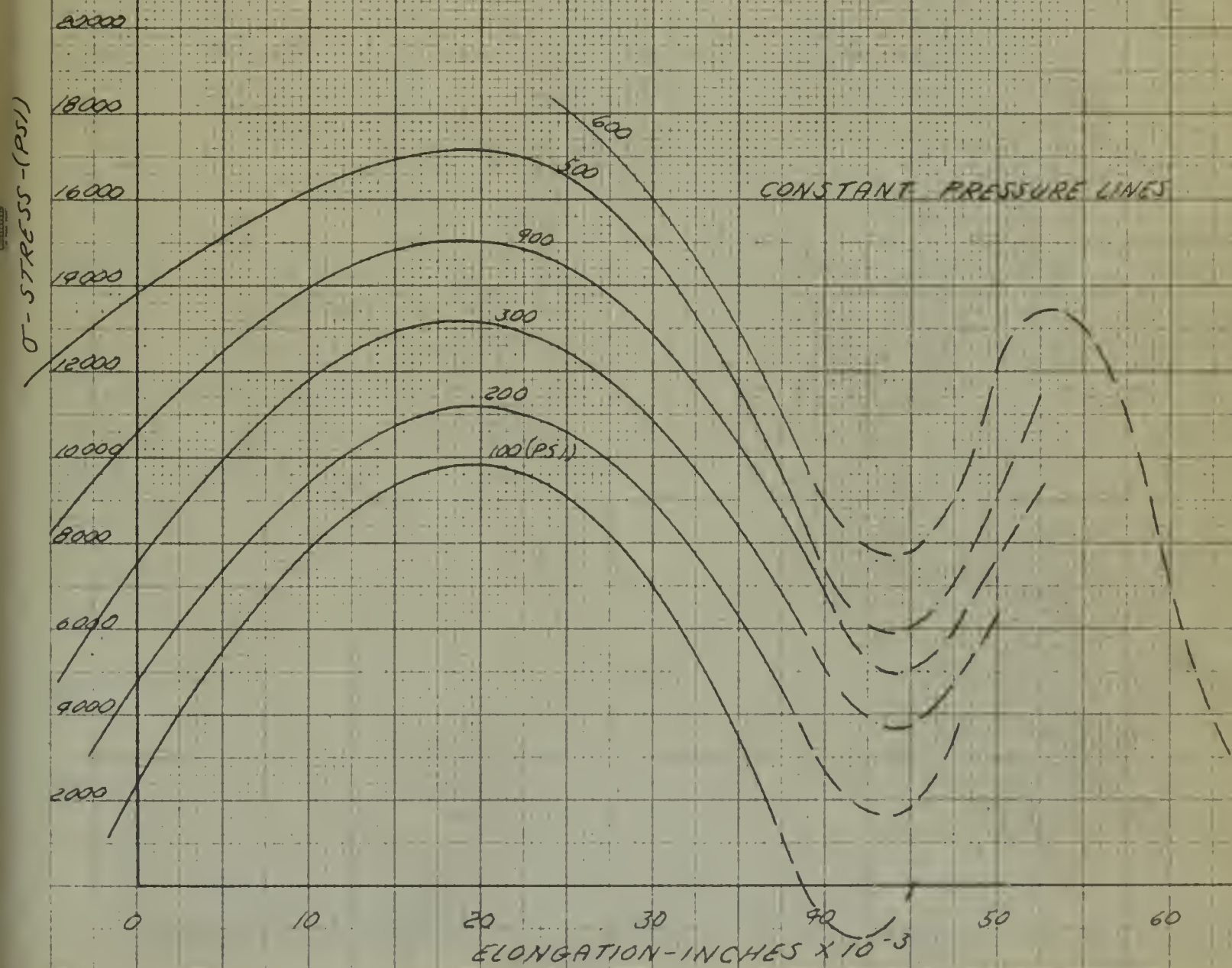




FIG. 14  
SPECIMEN NO. 2  
GAGE 3

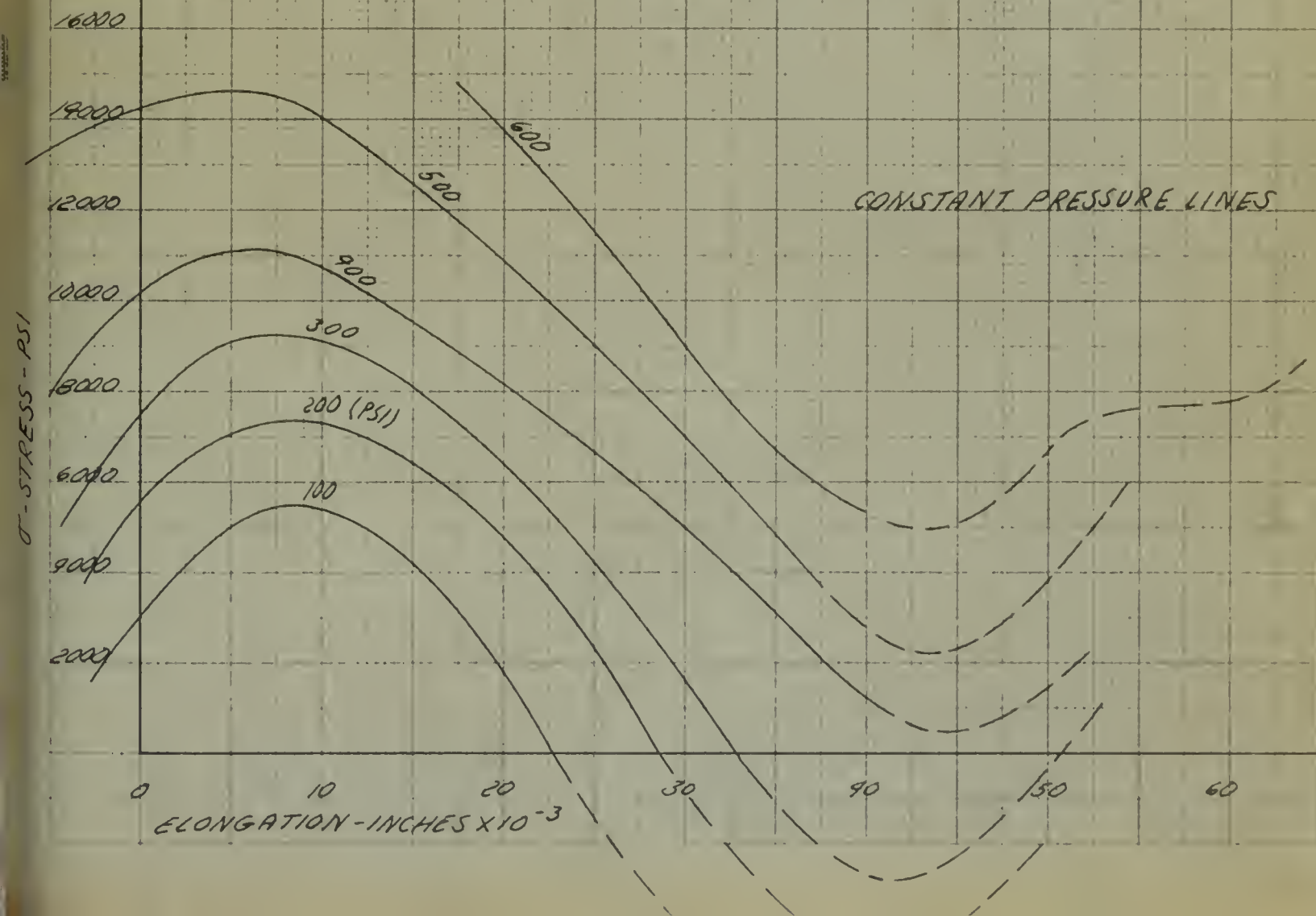






FIG. 15  
SPECIMEN NO. 2  
GAGE 4

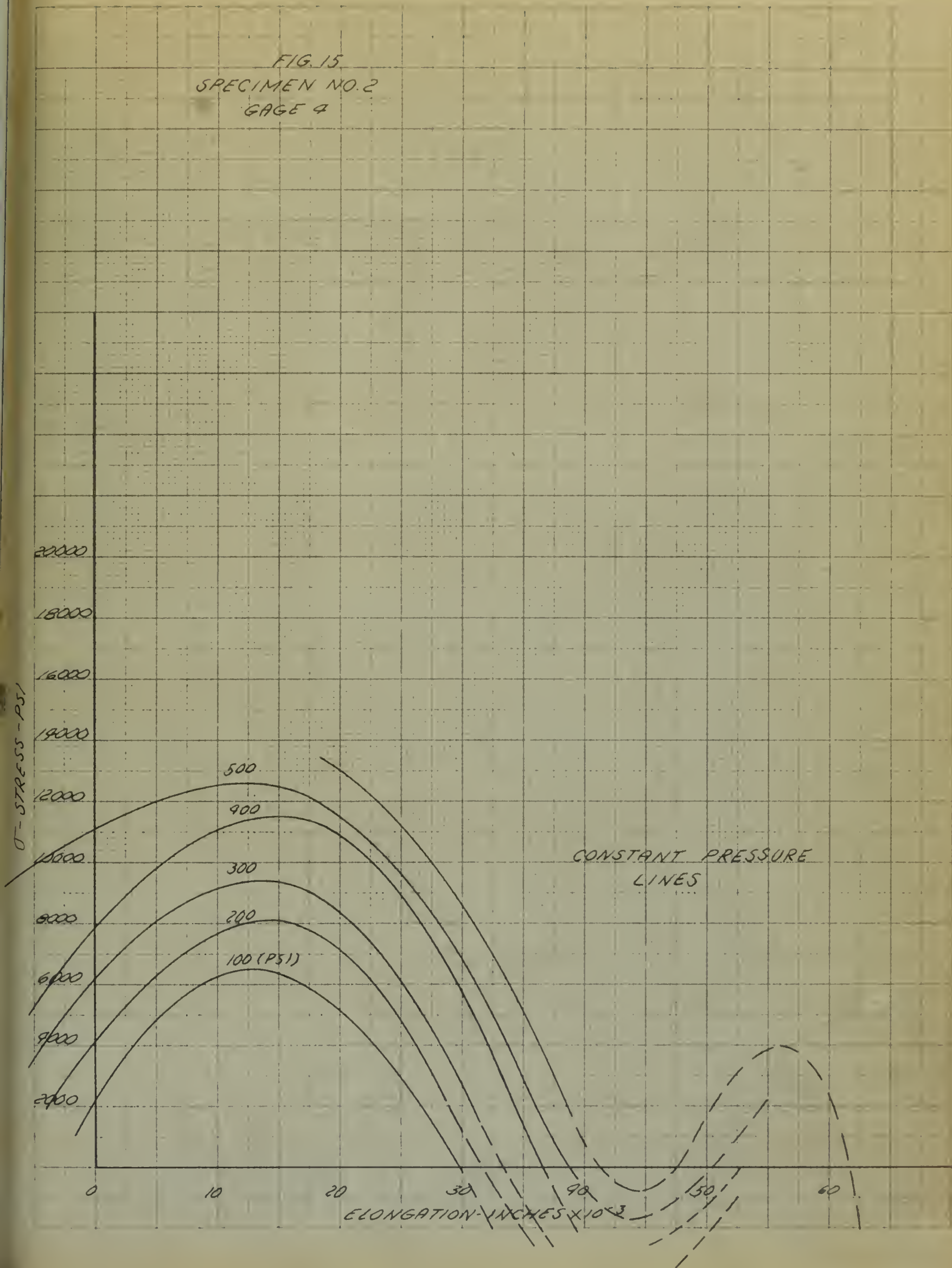




FIG. 16  
SPECIMEN NO. 2  
AVERAGE VALUES FOR  
ELEMENT NEAR WELD

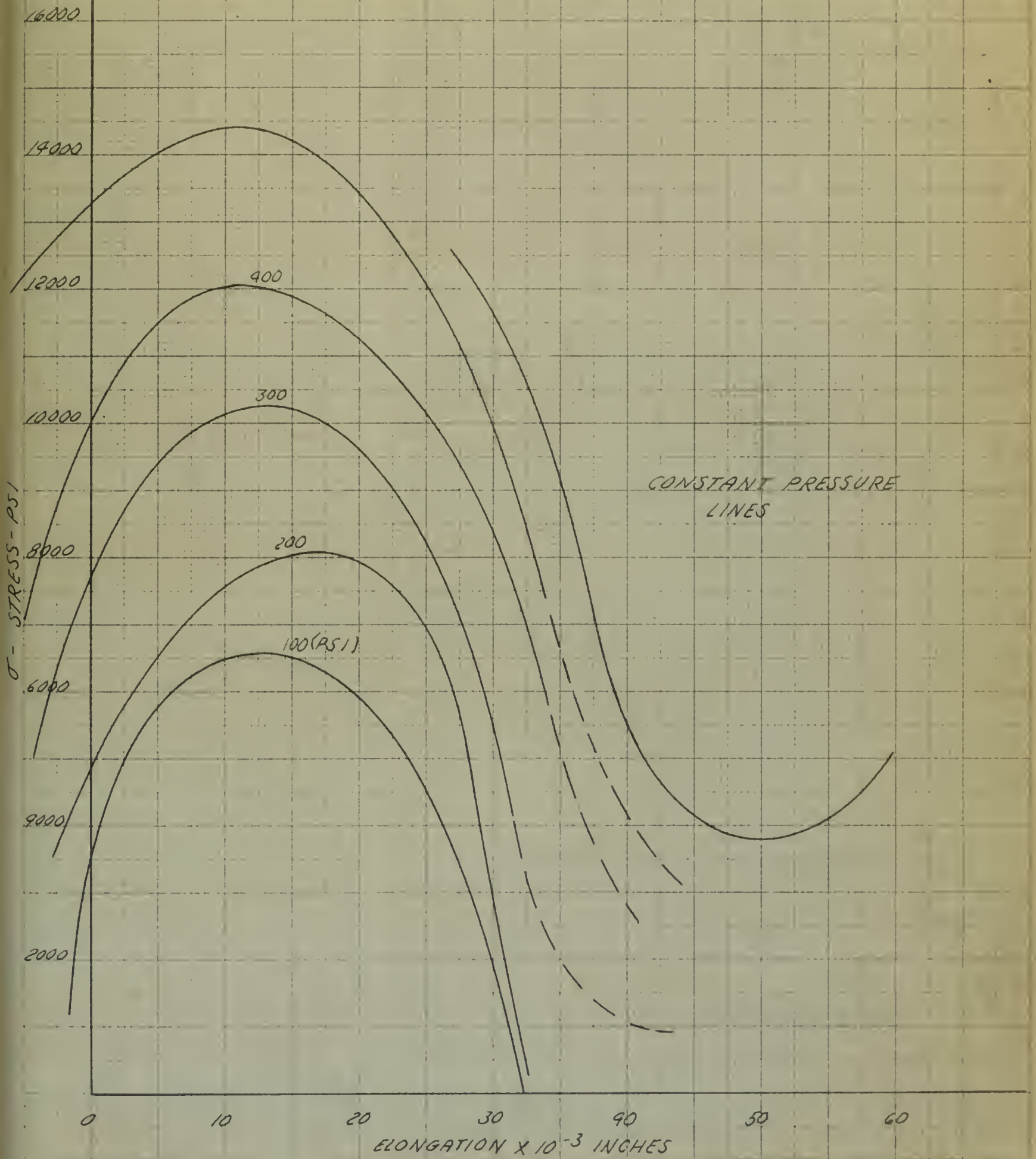




FIG. 17  
SPECIMEN NO. 2  
GAGE 5

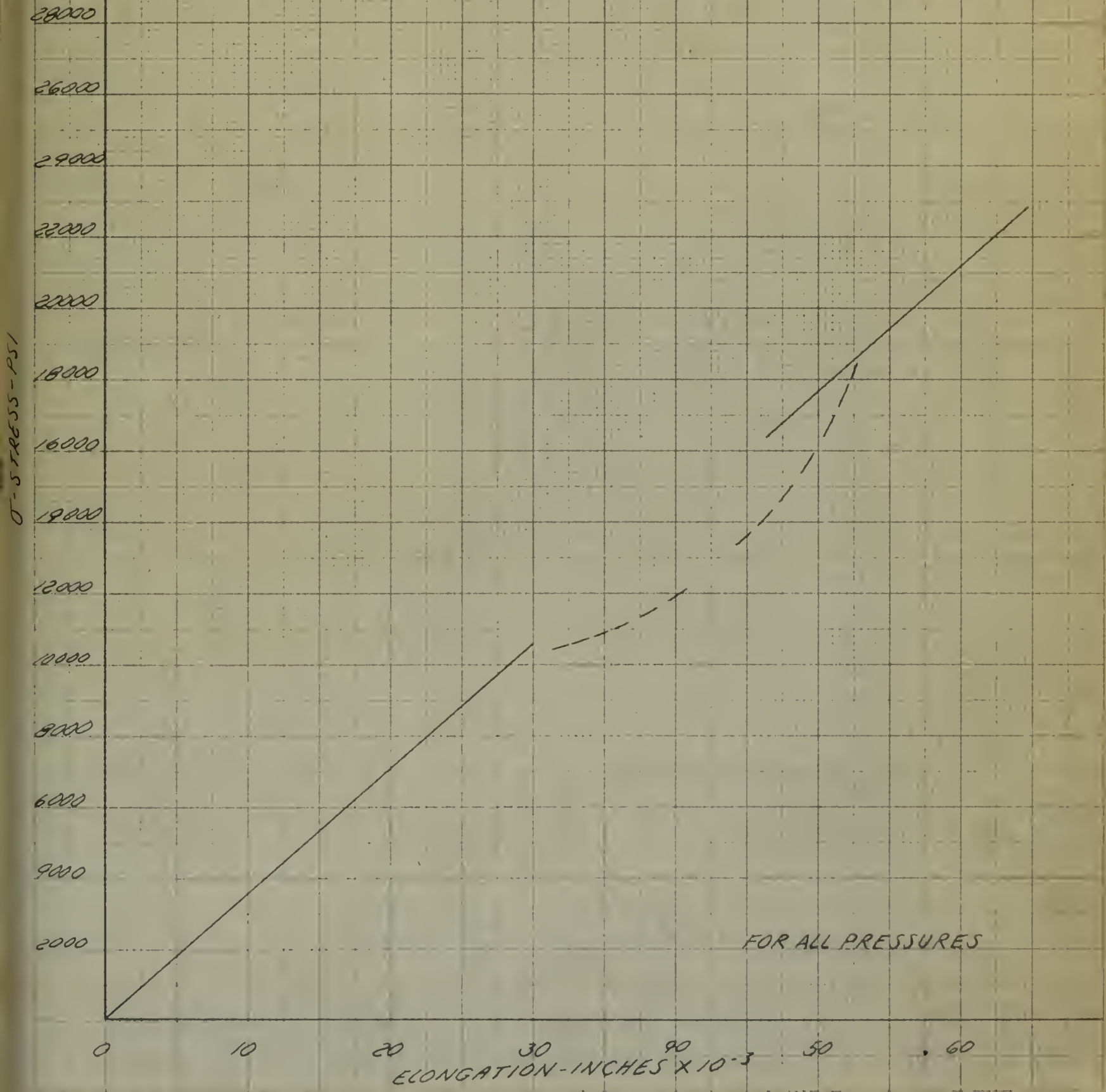
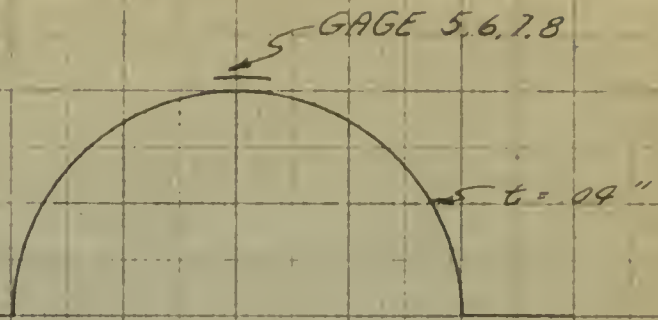




FIG. 18  
SPECIMEN NO. 2  
GAGE 6

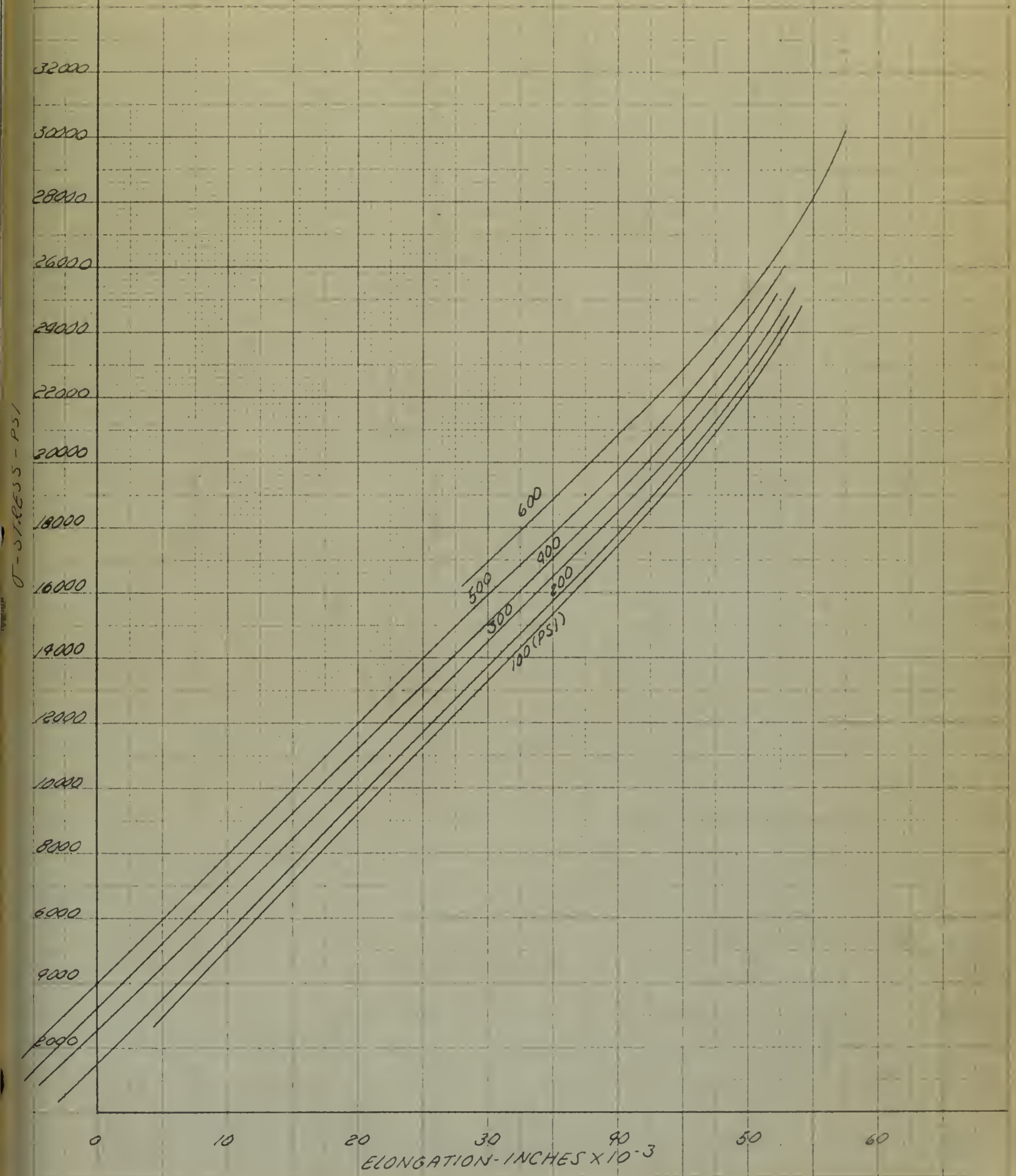






FIG. 19  
SPECIMEN NO. 2  
GAGE 7

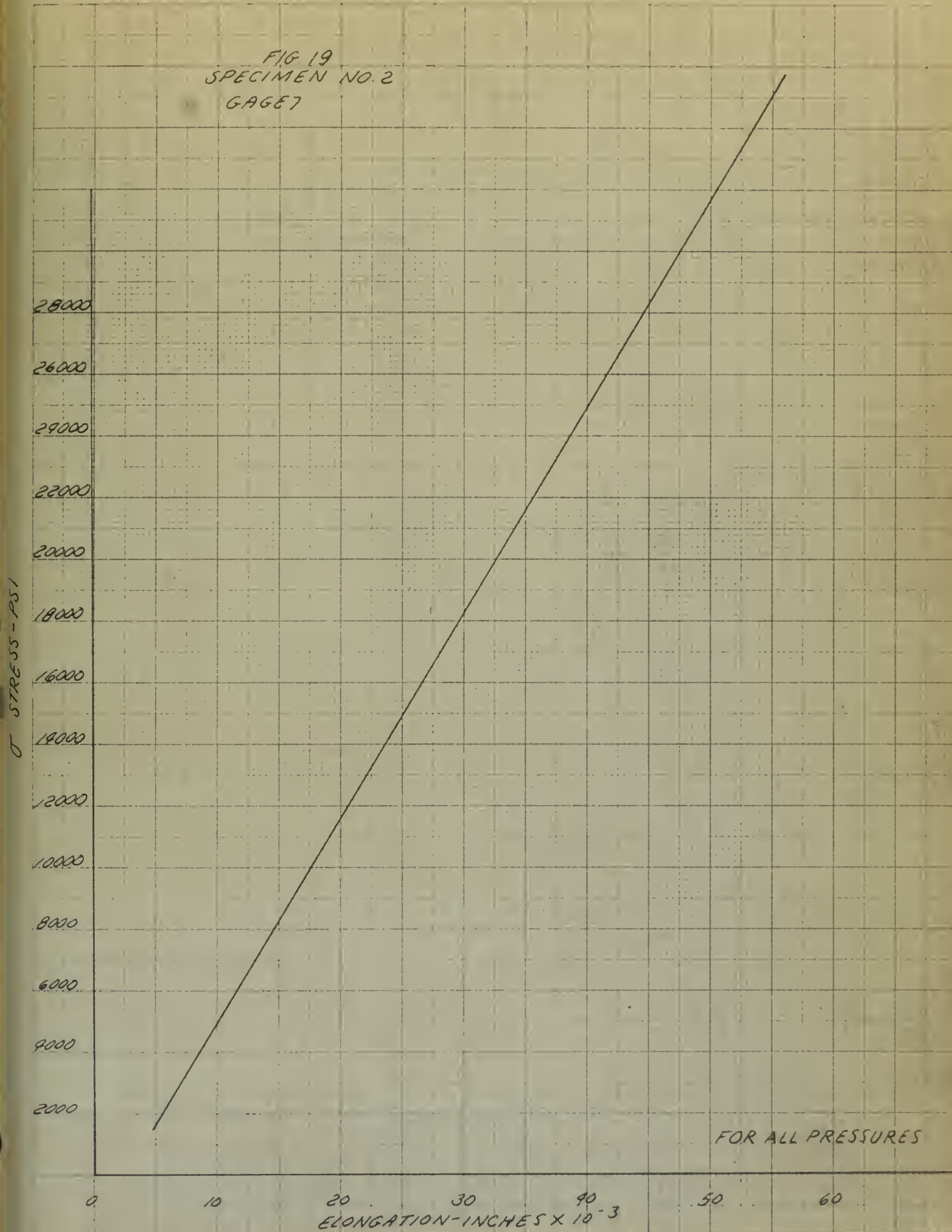




FIG. 20  
SPECIMEN NO. 2  
GAGE B

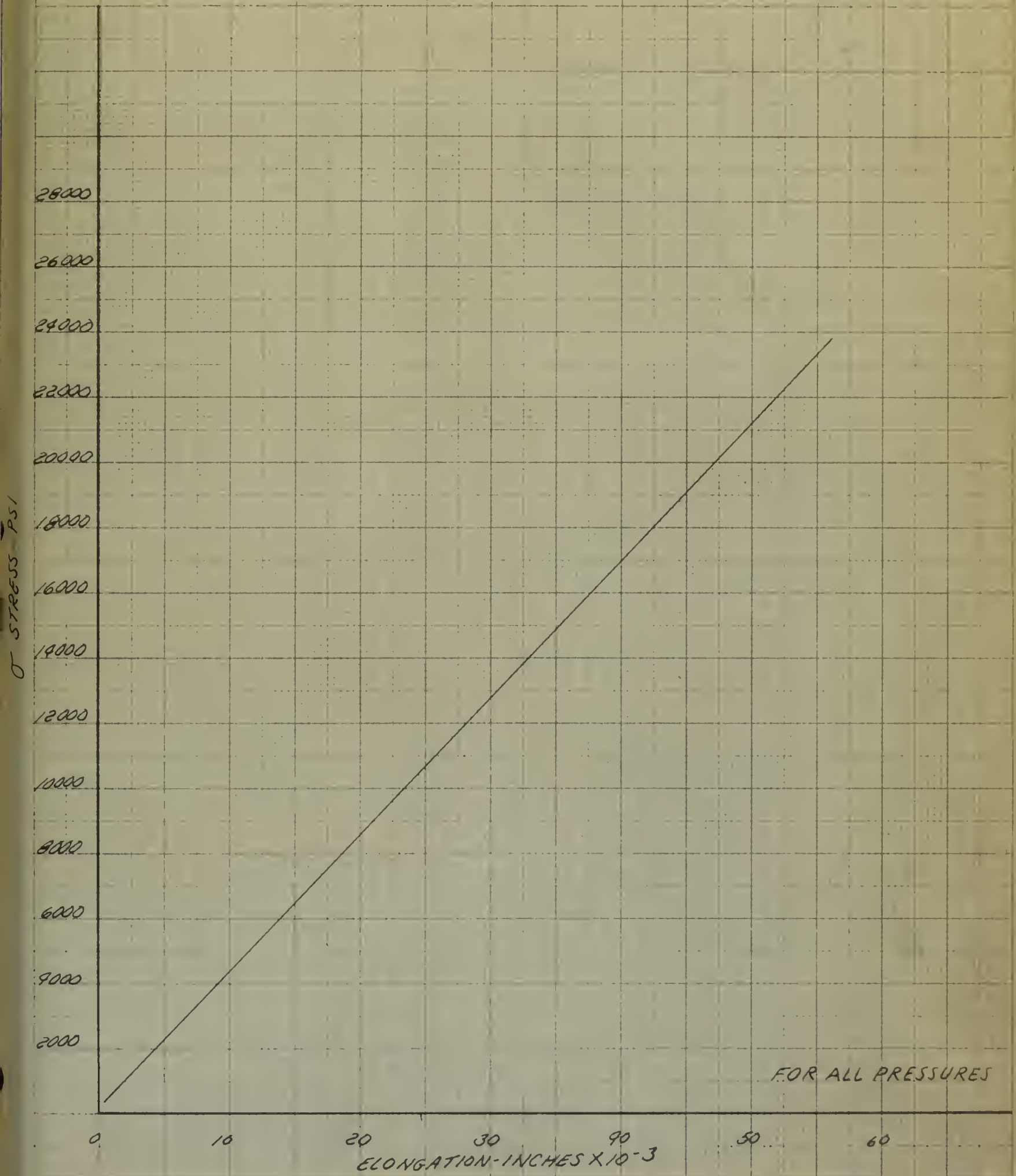
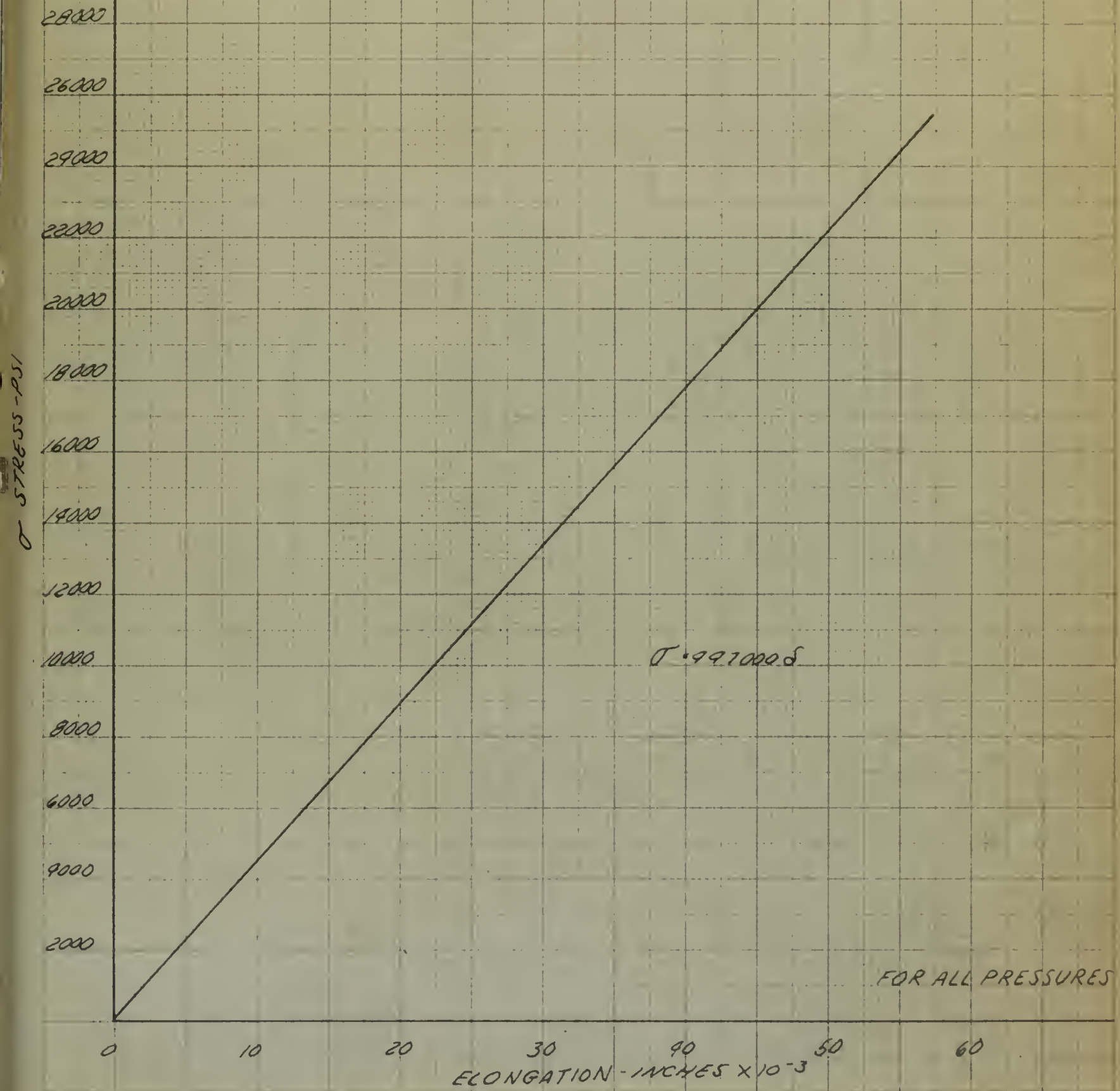




FIG. 21  
SPECIMEN NO. 2  
AVERAGE VALUES  
FOR ELEMENT IN  
CENTER OF EXPANSION  
JOINT





STRESS & PSI

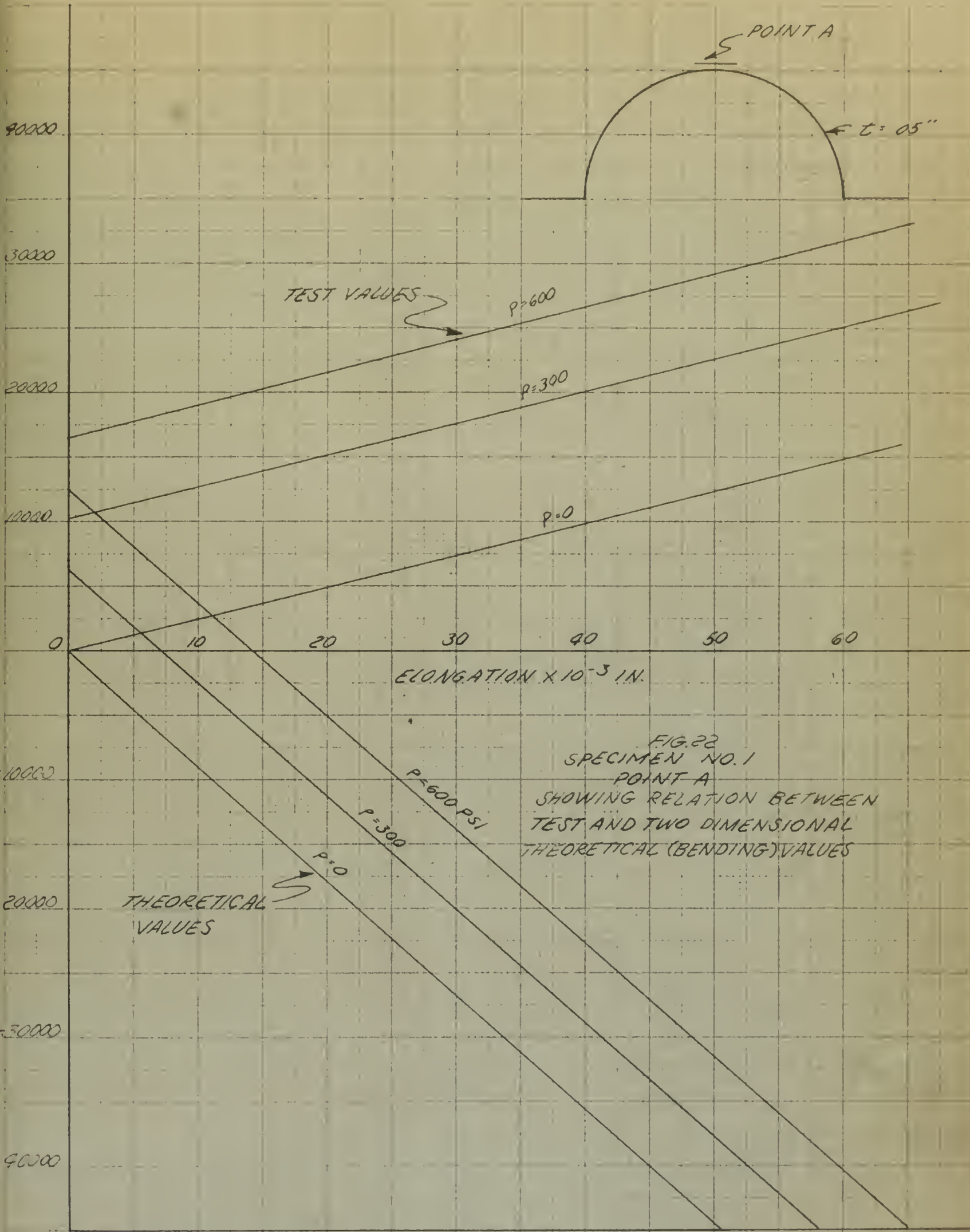


FIG. 22  
SPECIMEN NO. 1  
POINT A  
SHOWING RELATION BETWEEN  
TEST AND TWO DIMENSIONAL  
THEORETICAL (BENDING) VALUES





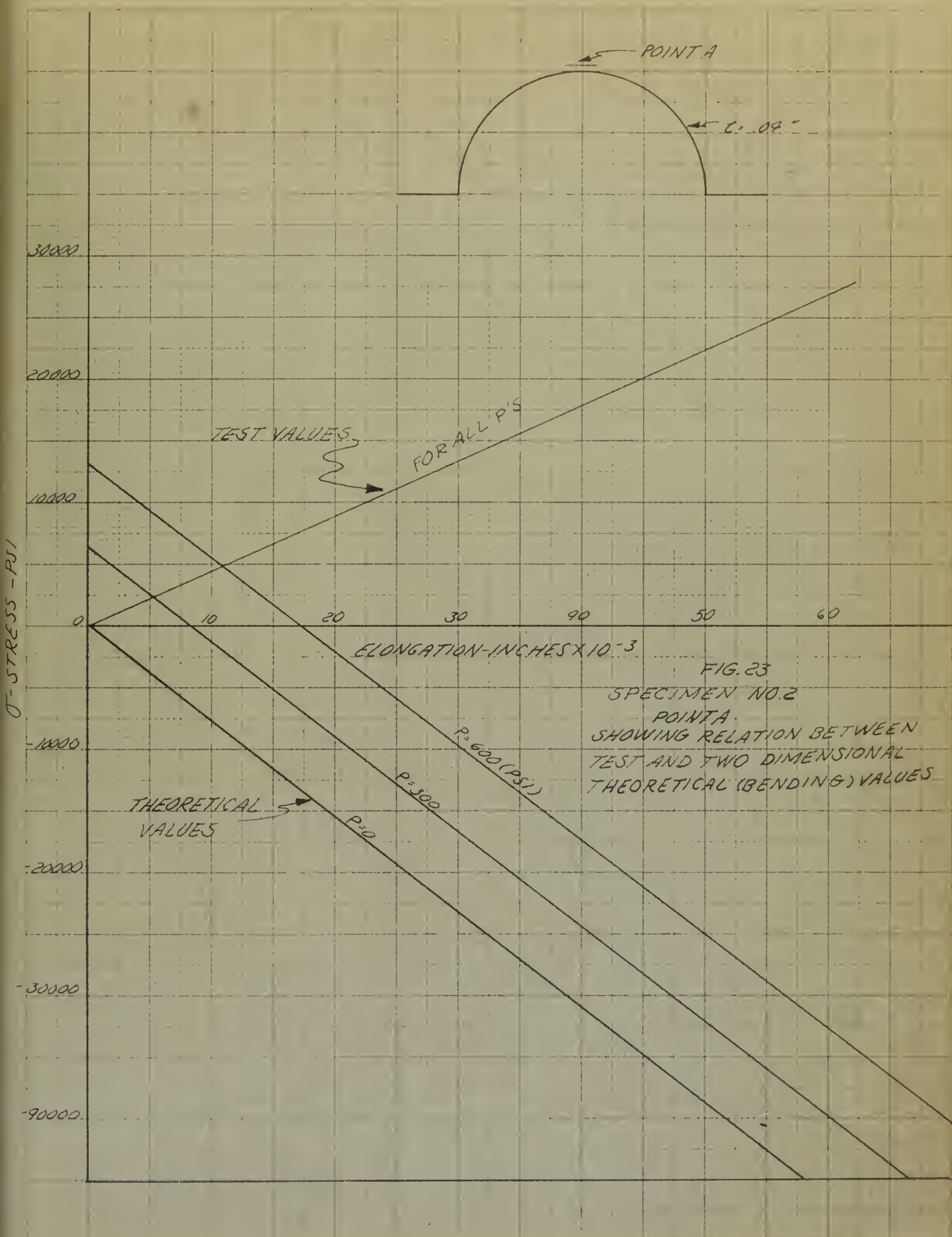


FIG. 23  
 SPECIMEN NO. 2  
 POINT A.  
 SHOWING RELATION BETWEEN  
 TEST AND TWO DIMENSIONAL  
 THEORETICAL (BENDING) VALUES



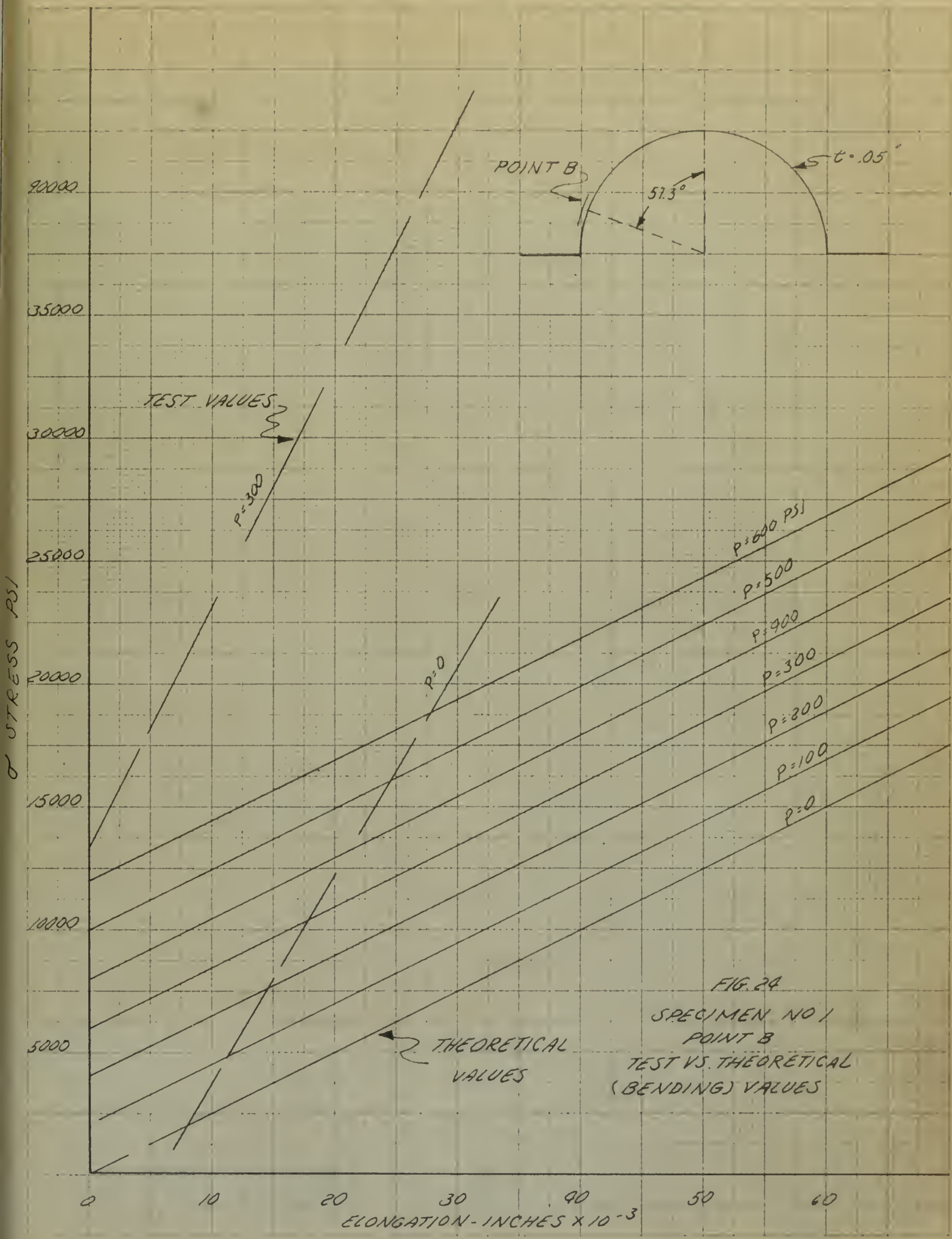
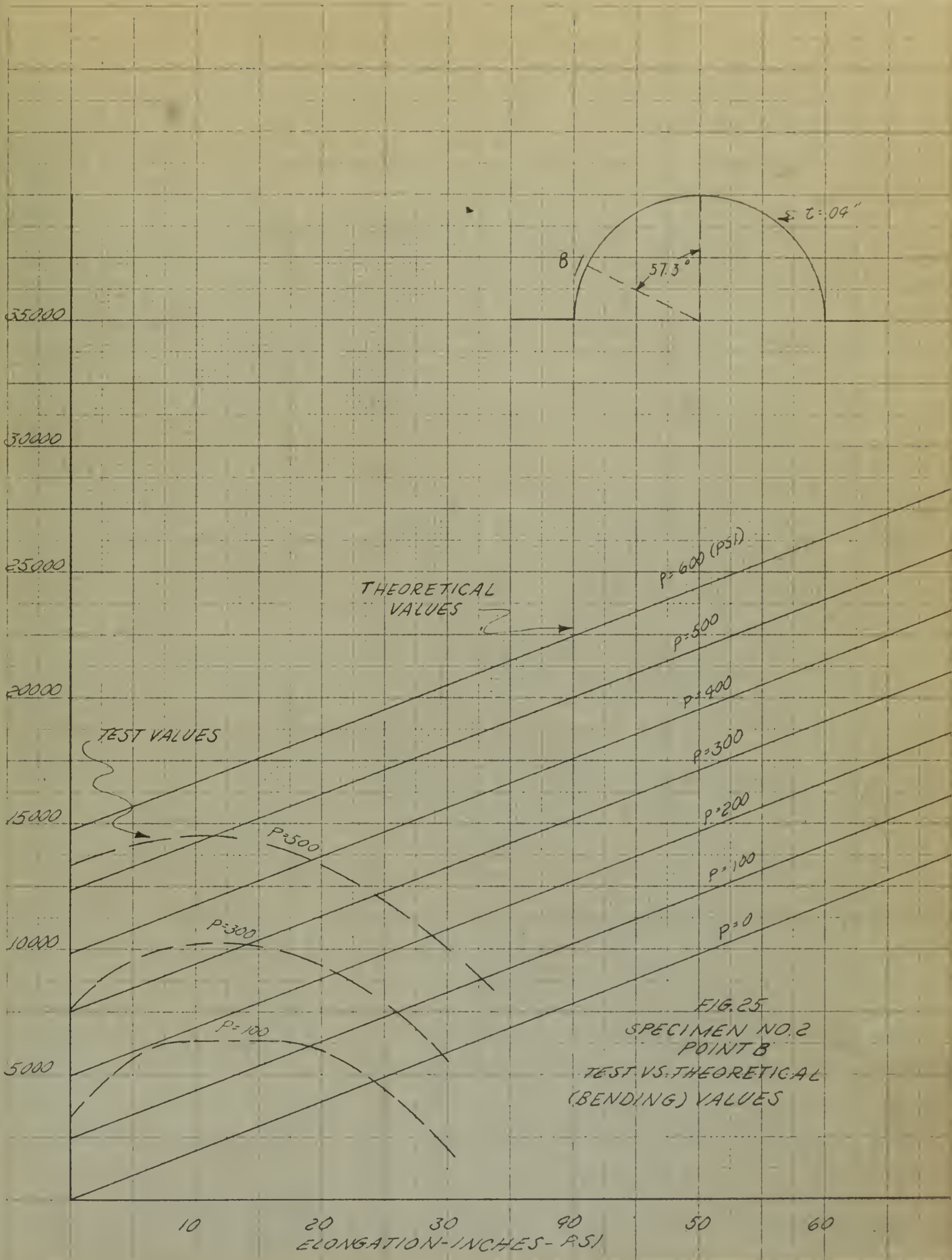


FIG. 24  
 SPECIMEN NO. 1  
 POINT B  
 TEST VS. THEORETICAL  
 (BENDING) VALUES



$\sigma$  STRESS - PSI





H - LBS. PER INCH

180  
160  
140  
120  
100  
80  
60  
40  
20  
0

.01 0 .01 .02 .03 .04 .05 .06  
 $\delta_T$  = ELONGATION - INCHES

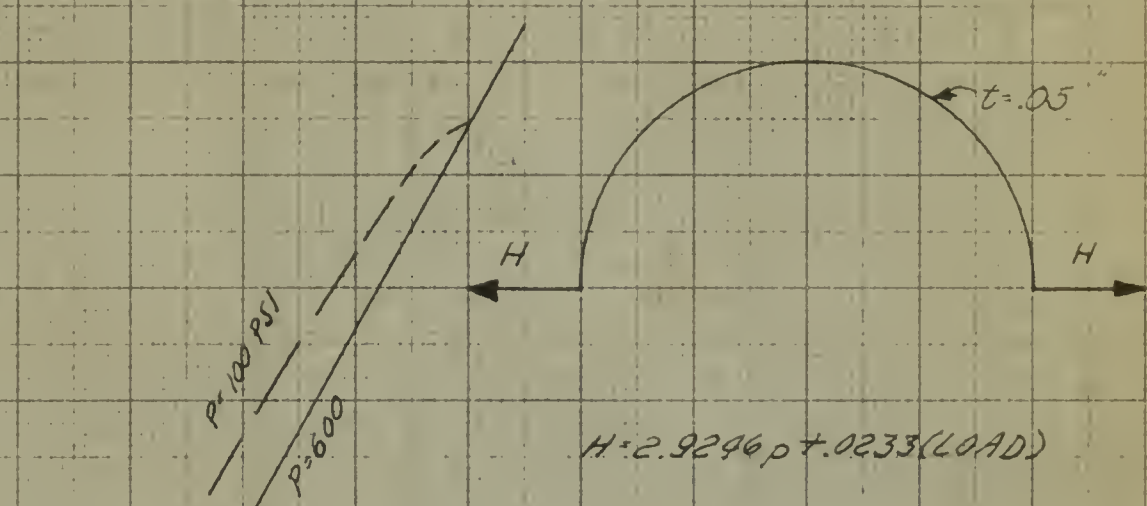


FIG. 26  
SPECIMEN NO. 7  
CURVES SHOWING  
H vs.  $\delta_T$





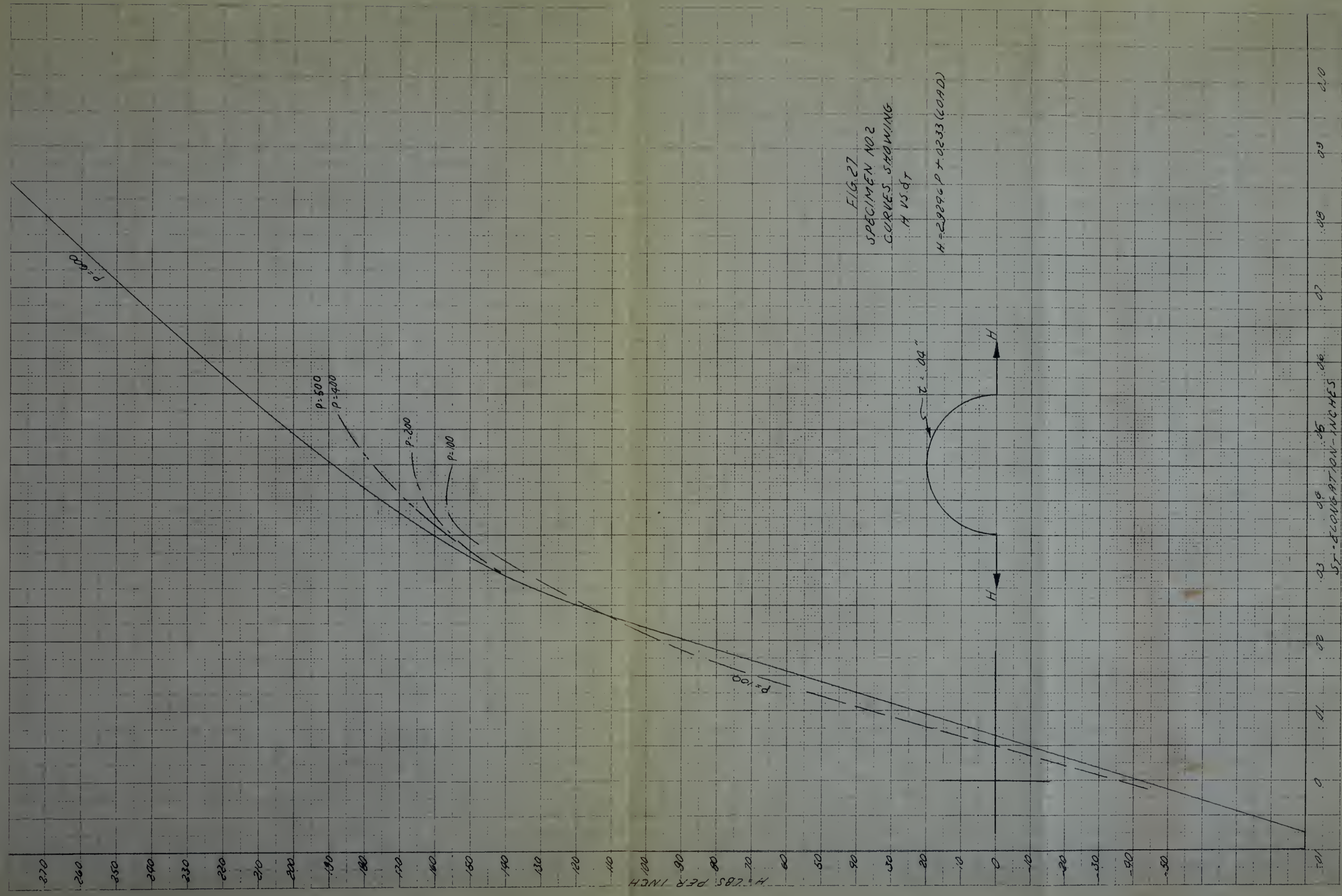
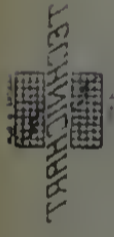


FIG. 27  
 SPECIMEN NO. 2  
 CURVES SHOWING  
 $H$  VS  $\delta T$   
 $H = 2.9296 P + 0.233 (\delta T)$

STRETCHING - INCHES .06 .07 .08 .09 .10 .11 .12 .13 .14 .15 .16 .17 .18 .19 .20



POINT A

$r = 0.5$

120000

100000

80000

60000

40000

20000

$\sigma$  STRESS-PSI

EMPIRICAL MEMBRANE THEORY

$r = 0.00$

$r = 0$

FIG. 28  
SPECIMEN NO. 1

THEORETICAL MEMBRANE STRESSES  
POINT A

OBSERVED VALUES

ELASTIC MEMBRANE THEORY

$p = 6.00$

$p = 6.00$

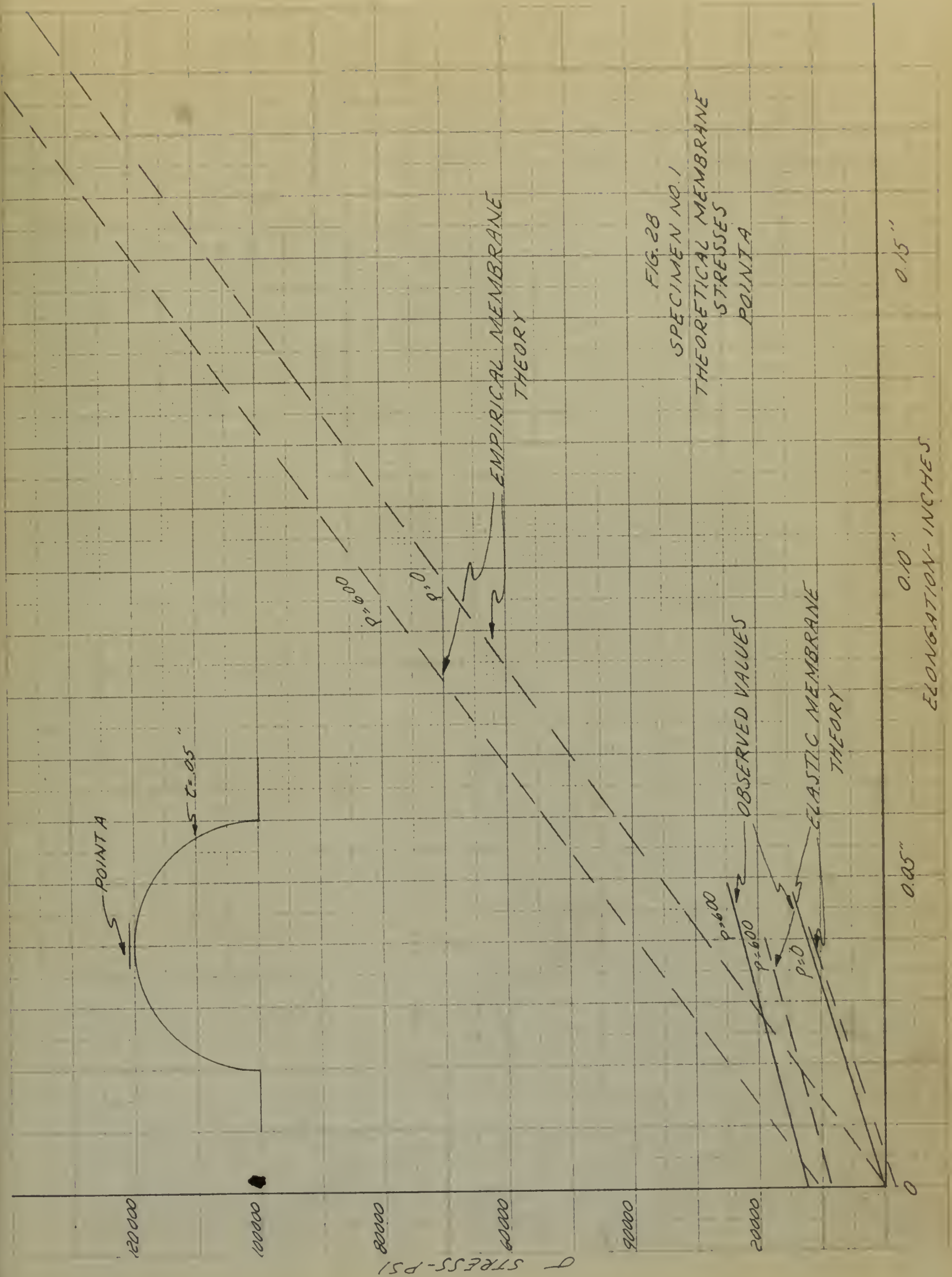
$p = 0$

0.05"

0.10"

0.15"

ELONGATION-INCHES





120000  
100000  
80000  
60000  
40000  
20000  
0

P - STRESS - PSI

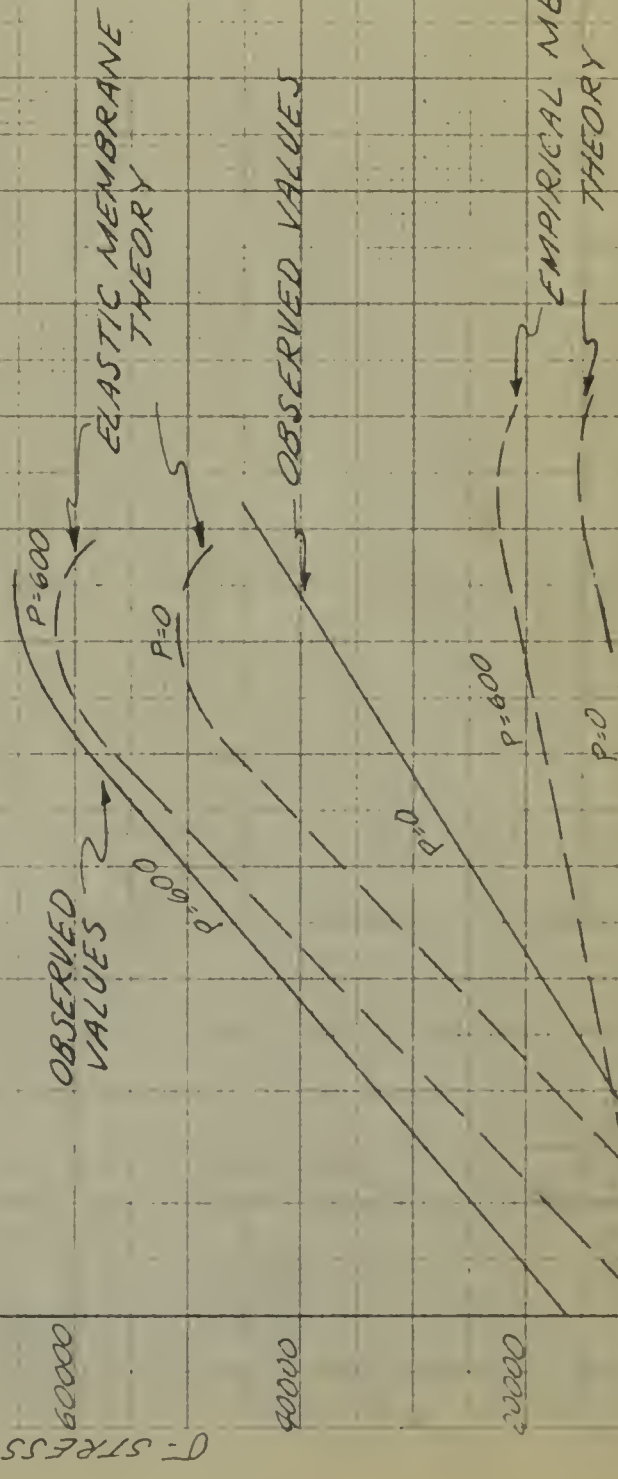
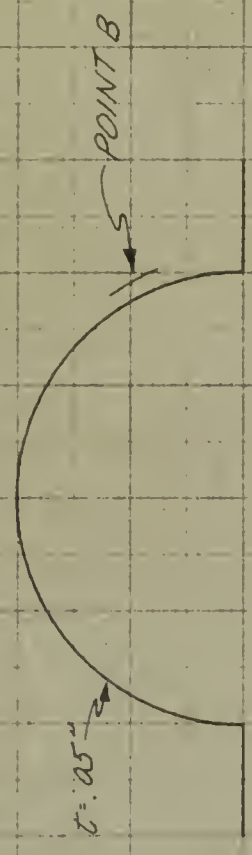
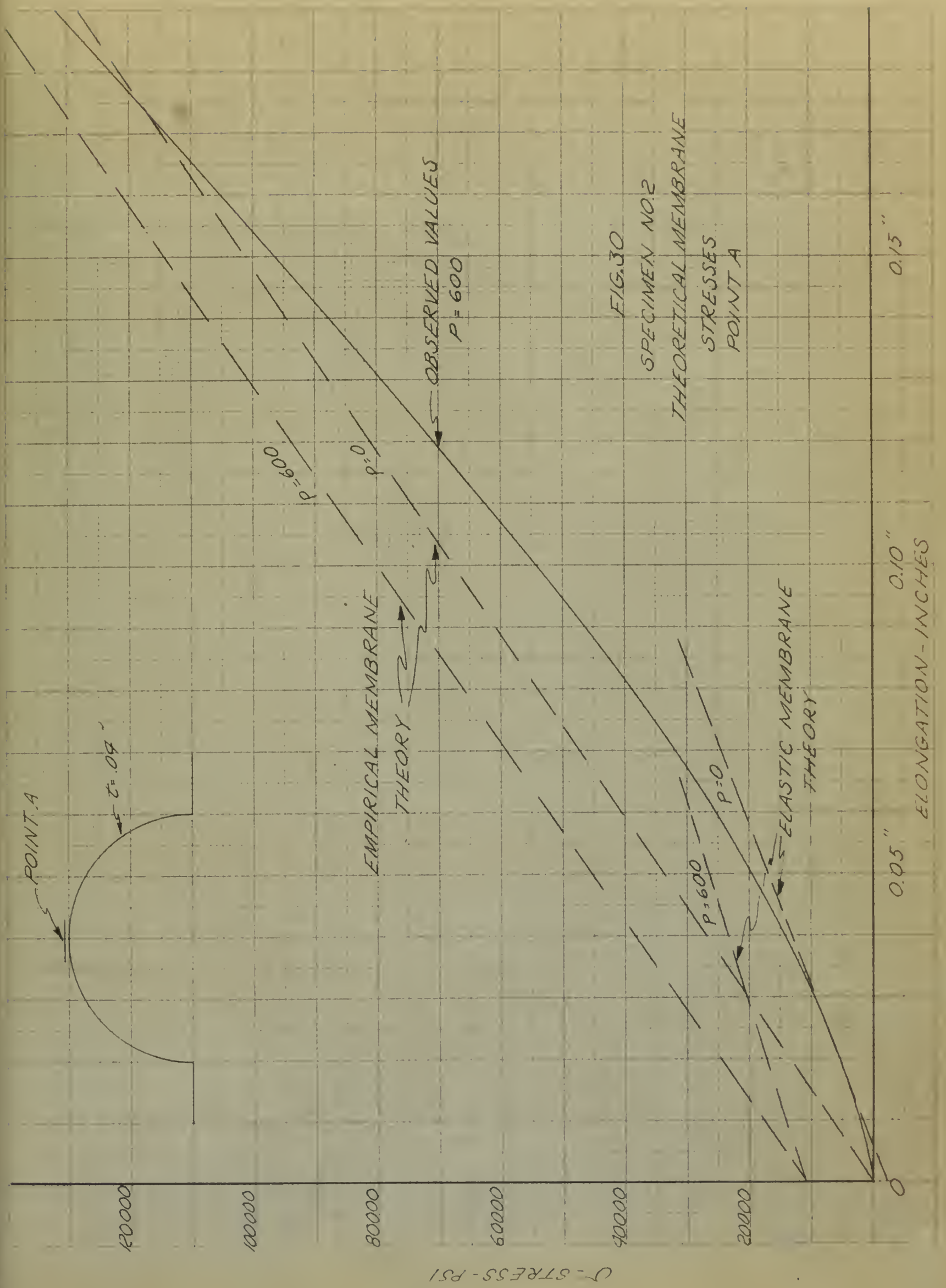


FIG. 28  
SPECIMEN NO. 1  
THEORETICAL MEMBRANE STRESSES  
POINT B.

0.05"  
0.10"  
ELONGATION - INCHES









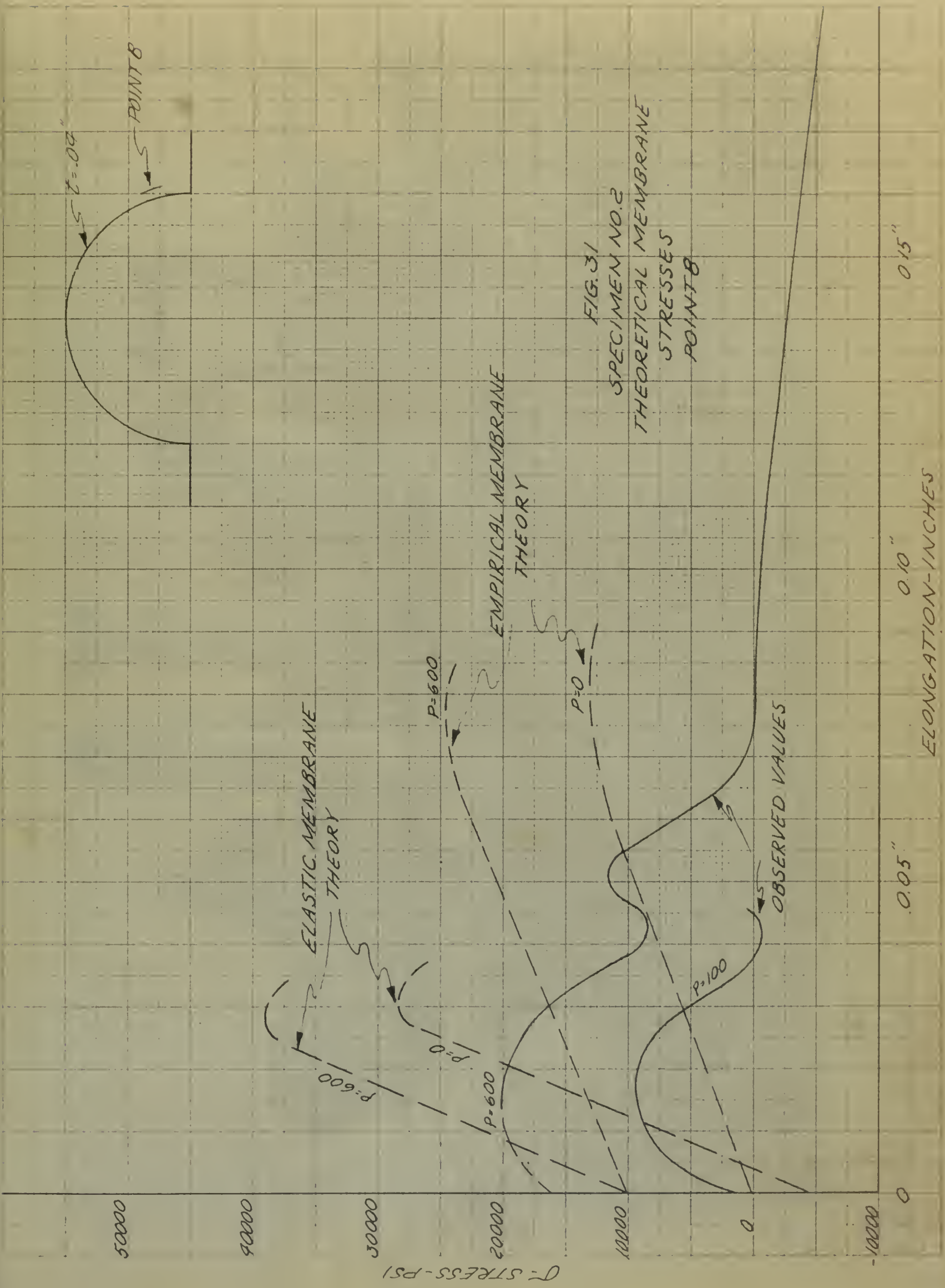
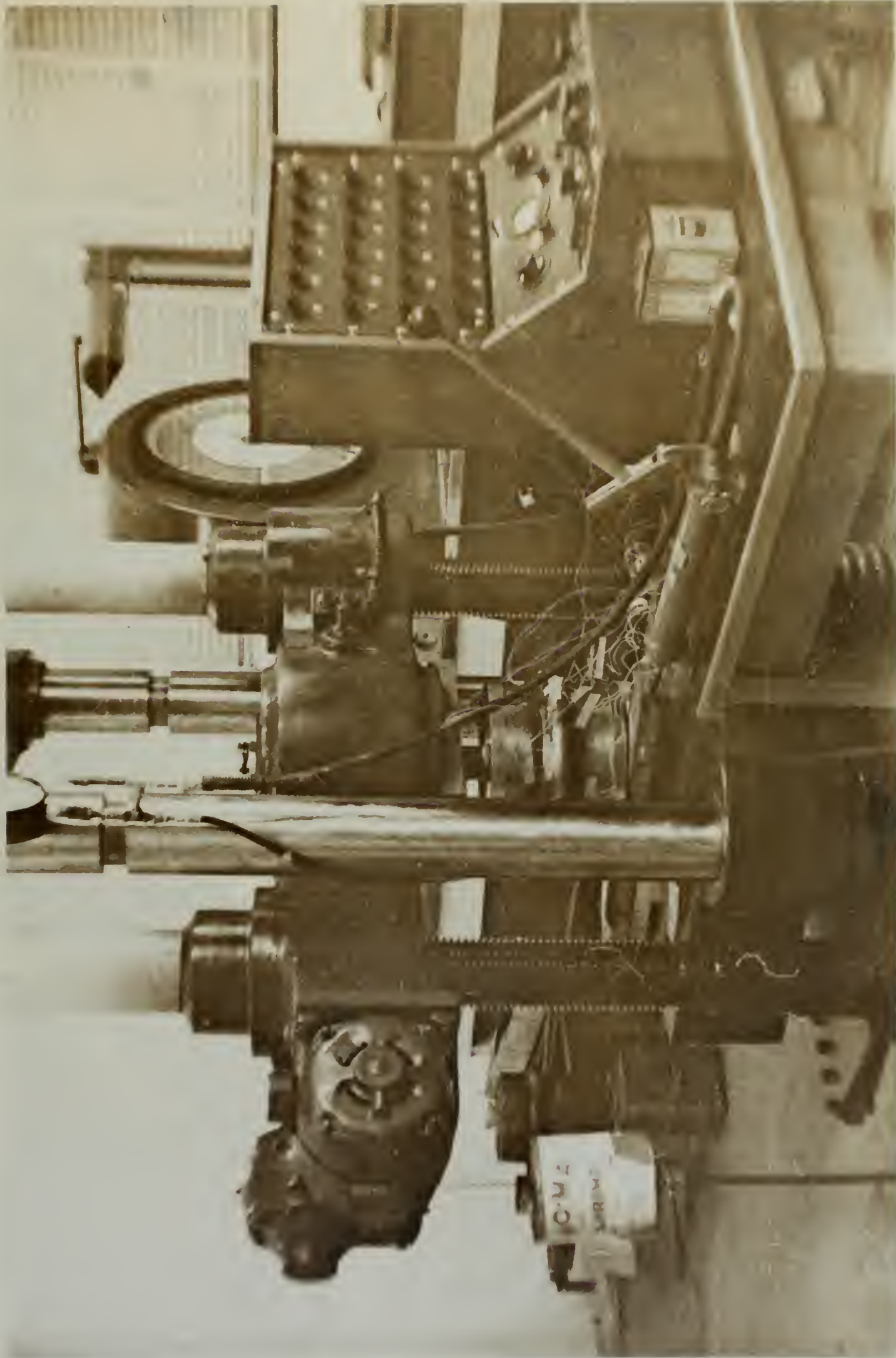


FIG. 31  
 SPECIMEN NO. 2  
 THEORETICAL MEMBRANE  
 STRESSES  
 POINT B





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PHOTOGRAPH NO. II







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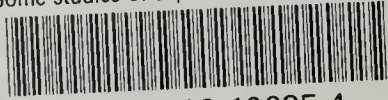
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