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I. ABSTRACT

An analytical and experimental model study was performed of a manifold and re-entrant tube chemical poison distribution system which are part of a rocket reactor control loop. The system operates by changing the concentration of the poison (cadmium sulfate) in a water solution circulating through a large number (198) of parallel tubes which project from a manifold into the core. In order to meet the specifications that (1) the flow rate through all the tubes be uniform, (2) the injected chemical poison arrive at the top of the core within 0.2 second and (3) the chemical solution concentration variation throughout the core should be within $\pm 5\%$, a special manifold and re-entrant tube assembly was designed and a full size flow model was constructed of plexiglas and a series of tests performed to prove the design.

II. SUMMARY

In order to establish the feasibility of utilizing a Chemical Poison Loop System (CPLS) for the reactivity control of a Tungsten Water-Moderated Rocket Reactor (TWMR), a poison control tube and manifold system must be designed. The performance requirements of these components are based on variation in poison concentration and velocity in the many control tubes and on the time required for changes of poison concentration to occur in the core.

The design of these components was carried out by Westinghouse Atomic Power Division under contract to NASA Lewis Research Center and is reported in references 1 and 2. As part of the same contract, a full scale plexiglas model of the reference design was built for the purposes of checking its performance. Single phase flow distribution and solution injection and distribution tests were carried out. Pressure distribution was measured to evaluate velocities and concentration measurements were made to determine time delays and poison distribution.

The plexiglas model was used in conjunction with a flow system in which total flow rate could be varied. A poison injection system was included in the flow system which allowed tests of distribution during various transients.

The test results were evaluated and compared with the design requirements and the results of the analysis. At full flow the injected poison reaches the top of nearly 18% of the 198 tubes in the reference design in less than 0.20 seconds. With a steady injection rate and full flow, the poison solution concentration in the core region reaches the end of its first transient in approximately 1.9 seconds. This is less than one circuit time through the reference design control solution loop. The maximum variation in concentration among tubes during the transient exists between a tube which was already gone through the transient and one that has not yet started the transient. For normal operation solution concentration and design rates of change in reactivity, this variation is much lower than the 5% permissible. For the xenon override solution concentration, the 5% limit is exceeded during the beginning of the transient.

Tests indicate that the flow distribution among the 198 parallel tubes is satisfactorily uniform. The variations which did exist were random and not attributable to any known design characteristic or dimensional variation. The uniformity of flow distribution did not vary significantly over a flow range of 100 to 600 gpm. The mean deviation from the average over this range varied from 6.8% to 5.3%.

The technique used to design the manifold for uniform flow distribution was substantiated. Only minor changes in the original configuration were required to achieve a satisfactory configuration. The total pressure drop, 90 psi, measured during the test was about 12% higher than the predicted value. This is due in a large part to the insertion of a flow straightening screen added to the system.

For single phase flow it appears that the reference design as modified during the test will meet the requirements. It also appears that the design techniques used for achieving uniform flow in this rather complex system are fairly reliable. Further two phase analysis and testing would be required should it be shown later that significant quantities of undissolved gas could be developed and retained in the system.

III. INTRODUCTION

The reference method of reactivity control of the Tungsten-Water Moderated Reactor is accomplished by means of controlling the concentration of a nuclear poisoning material in a solution flowing through the reactor core. The principle of control would be to add sufficient quantities of a high cross section chemical to the system when a reduction in reactivity is required, such as at shutdown, and to remove this chemical when additional reactivity is needed, such as at startup. A feasibility study was undertaken to design and test a system capable of accomplishing these tasks. This system, the Chemical Poison Loop System (CPLS) is shown in schematic form in Figure III-1.

The brief system description provided below is included only to help enumerate the conditions to which the chemical solution and containing system will be subjected. More detailed discussions can be found in the feasibility study task reports published by WAPD. 1,2

Solution is continually flowing through the primary piping and through the in-core tubes. When poison is required, the solenoid valve in the pressurized poison reservoir is opened, and concentrated poison solution is injected into the primary flow stream until the solution cross-section reaches the desired level. When poison must be removed from the system, the solenoid valve in the ion-exchange line opens, allowing solution to flow through this system and back again to the primary lines. The poison is removed from solution in the exchanger until the solution in the in-core tubes has been reduced in cross section to the desired level. Additional components included a system pressurizer, a main-circulating pump, a loop cooler, a distribution manifold and the required temperature, pressure and flow recording and controlling devices. Nominal loop operating conditions are 600 psia pressure, 125°F manifold inlet temperature, and 600 gpm circulating flow rate.

The principal function of the control tube and distribution manifold assembly is to distribute the solution in the reactor core in a uniform manner with a minimum loop circuit time. The manifold is located in the upper gas space of the reactor, Figure III-2. At full power operation para-hydrogen at -175°F and 600 psi pressure flows through this space. Full power operation is limited to 1 to 10 hours duration, however, extended periods of operation during after-heat removal are planned. The upper portion of the 198 control tubes is also surrounded by hydrogen. The part below the bulkhead is surrounded by moderator water at an average temperature of 205°F. There is considerable heat generation in the poison solution and the tube walls due to attenuation of gamma and neutron radiation. This heat must be removed from the solution so that steady state operation can be maintained. Without auxiliary cooling only about 10% of the heat load can be transferred to the hydrogen across the walls inside the reactor pressure vessel and therefore an additional heat exchanger is required.

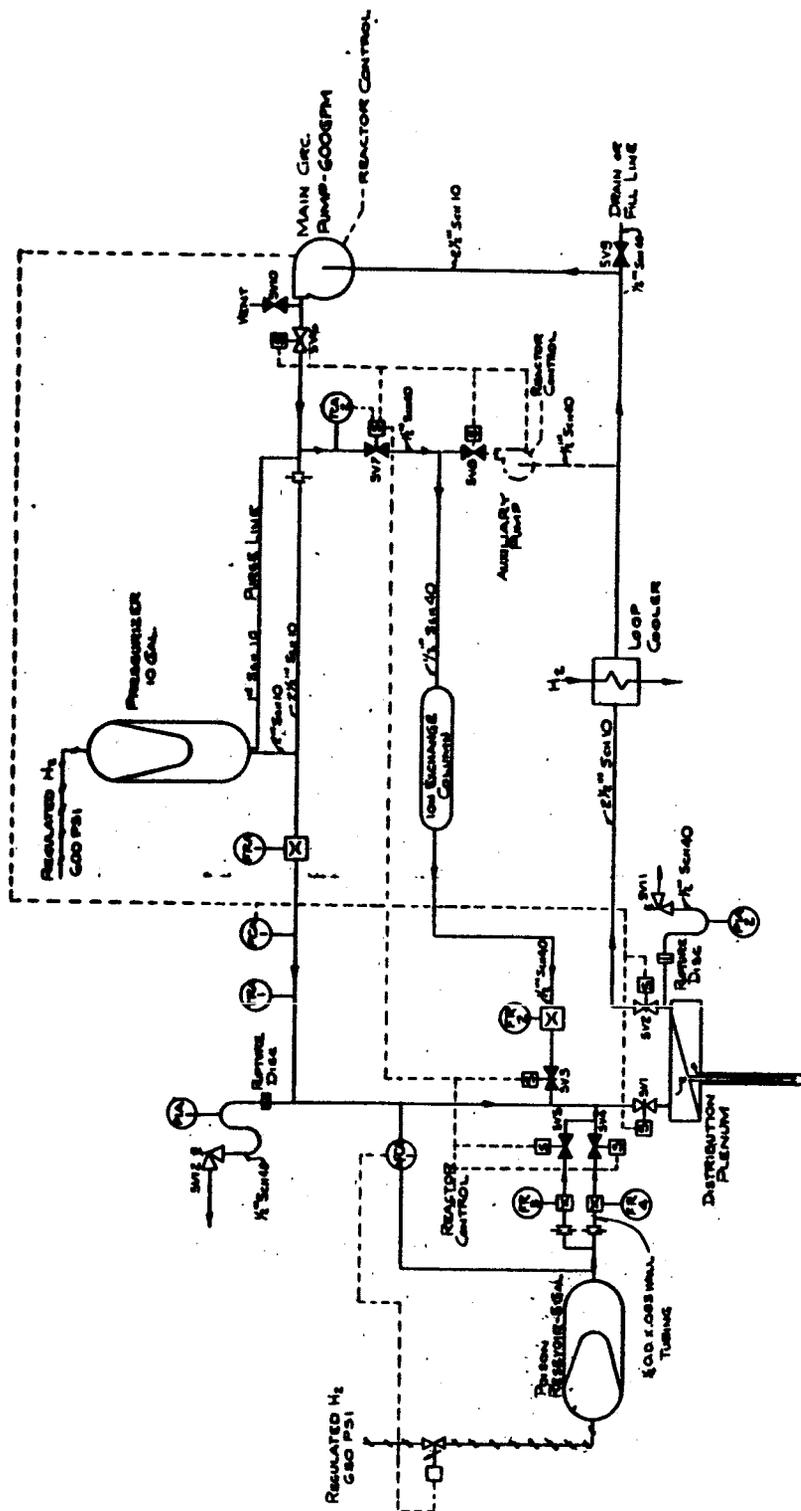
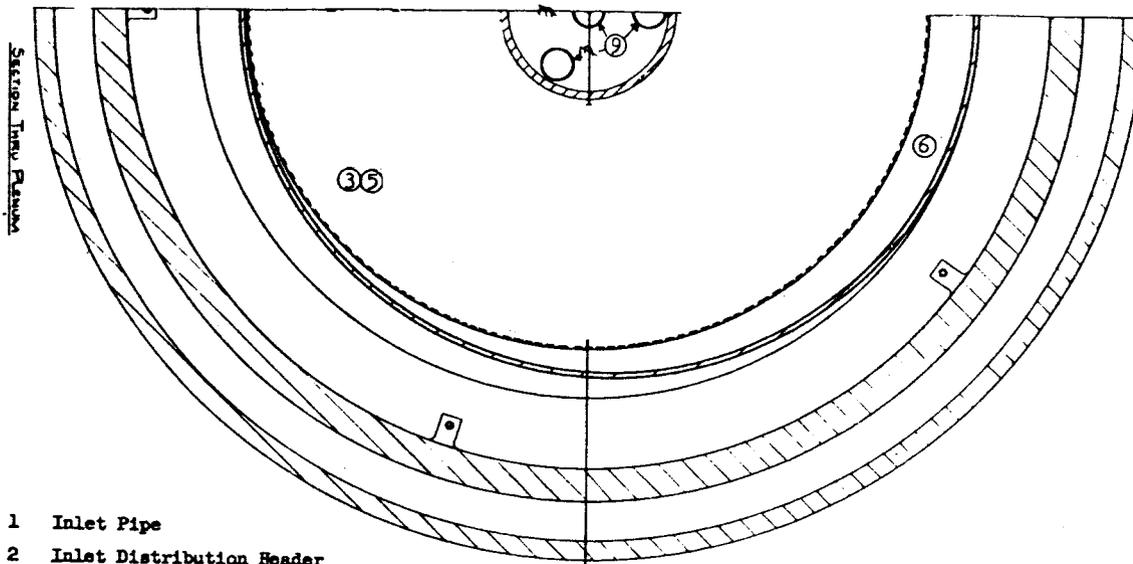


Figure III.1
 Chemical Poison Loop System
 Flow Diagram



- 1 Inlet Pipe
- 2 Inlet Distribution Header
- 3 Inlet Plenum
- 4 Poison Tube (Typical)
- 5 Outlet Plenum
- 6 Outlet Distribution Header
- 7 Outlet Pipe

- 8 Coupling Tubes (Typical)
- 9 Reentrant Bleed Fuel Assembly Piping
- 10 Tie Straps
- 11 Tie Rods

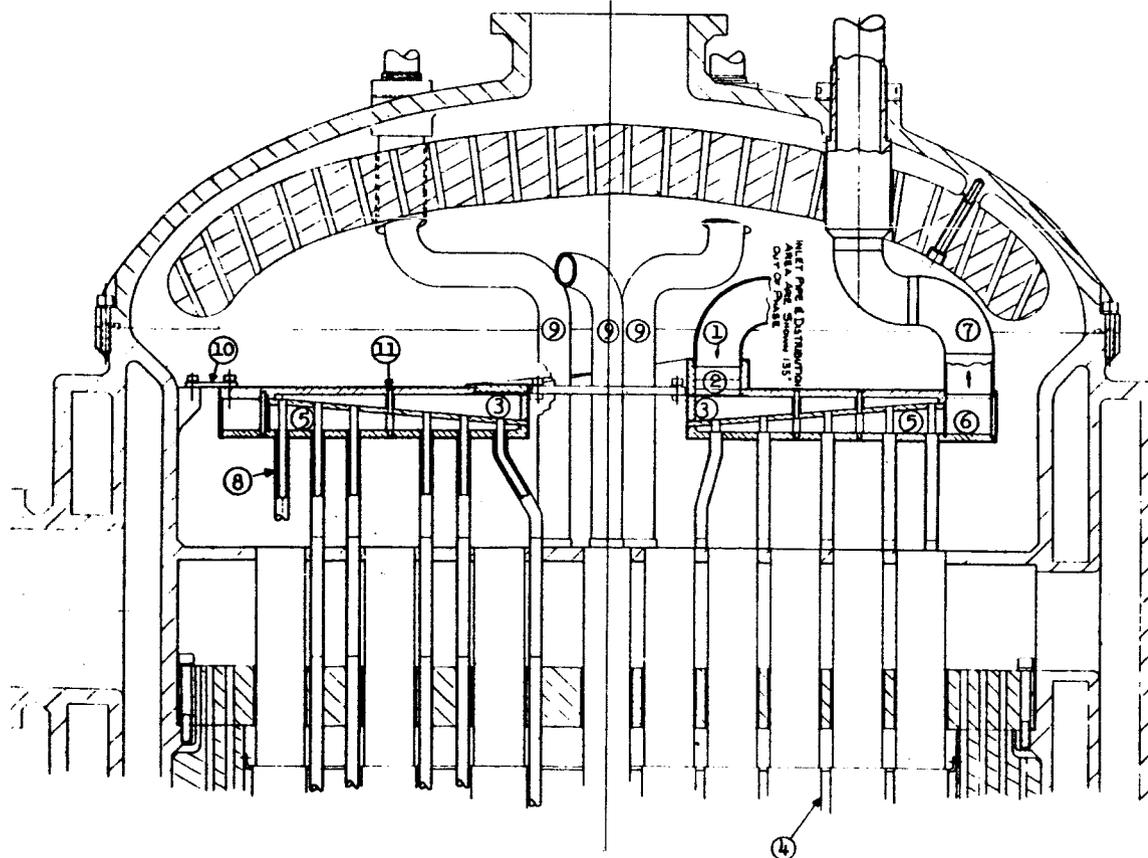


Figure III-2

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Manifold-Reentrant Tube Assembly

The Reference Design evolved during the study is shown in Figure III-2. In this design the single inlet pipe is connected to the distribution manifold close to the central hole in the manifold provided for passage of the re-entrant bleed fuel assembly piping. The CPLS inlet pipe feeds into an inlet distribution header designed to provide uniform flow of the poison solution to the inlet plenum. The inlet plenum distributes the poison solution radially outward to the re-entrant tube inlets. The plenum height decreases towards its outer diameter in order to maintain a sufficiently high solution velocity as the flow decreases. After passing through the re-entrant poison tubes, the poison solution passes into an outlet plenum. The height of this plenum increases towards its outer diameter, where the solution enters an outlet distribution header and is transported to the single outlet pipe. Both the outlet and the inlet header have flow-cross sections whose dimensions vary with the through-put rate in order to maintain uniform poison solution velocities.

The manifold rests on coupling tubes which are supported by the reactor inlet tube sheet. Five tie straps are provided for laterally bracing the plenum and tube assembly to the reactor vessel. The manifold plates are braced internally by a series of tie rods to permit the use of a minimum plate thickness. Penetration through the pressure vessel of the inlet-outlet lines to the manifold are made through flexible couplings. The poison tubes are sized to give the same down- and up-flow areas. Principal poison tube parameters are given in Figure III-3.

The purpose of the overall study was to design a device for supplying equal flow to 198 identical re-entrant parallel tubes arranged in a specified array. One way to achieve this objective is to make certain that the pressure drop across each path is the same. The static pressure in a manifold of uniform cross section decreases along the length because the flowing mass is being reduced by out-flow to the re-entrant tubes. Thus out-flow is not uniform. To maintain the same pressure level throughout, the manifold requires a special design to keep the velocity constant or increasing to overcome the frictional pressure drop. The manifold shape selected to accomplish this criterion can be calculated using a modification of a method proposed by Acrivos, et al/³ which is simply a solution to the combined single phase continuity and momentum equations for the system. The flow is considered to be incompressible and the energy additions are not considered to influence significantly the flow distribution. The designs of the headers and the plenums were calculated. However, the theoretical contours could be approximated closely enough by linear reduction of the height of the inlet and outlet plenums and inlet header or the width of the outlet header. The design analysis discussed in greater detail in NASA CR-54420 (WCAP-2803).

The purpose of the model study discussed in this report was to demonstrate that uniform flow can be maintained in all 198 poison tubes, that the injected concentrate will reach the core within the specified time of 0.2 seconds and that a concentration maldistribution greater than $\pm 5\%$ does not exist among tubes. The four major parts of the chemical poison system design analyzed by the Thermal and Hydraulic Development Group at APD were related to the design of the plenum and were:

INLET SOLUTION TEMPERATURE (°F)	125
FLOW AREA DOWNCOMER (FT ²)	.000630
VELOCITY IN DOWNCOMER (FT/SEC.)	10
MASS VELOCITY IN DOWNCOMER (LB/HR-FT ²)	2.48 x 10 ⁶
FLOW AREA UPCOMER (FT ²)	.000630
VELOCITY IN UPCOMER (FT/SEC)	10
MASS VELOCITY IN DOWNCOMER (LB/HR-FT ²)	2.48 x 10 ⁶
SPECIFIC WEIGHT (LB/FT ³)	68.3
PRESSURE (PSIA)	600
EQUIVALENT DIA DOWNCOMER (FT)	0.0283
EQUIVALENT DIA UPCOMER (FT)	0.0111
TUBE LENGTH, TOTAL (IN)	52
TUBE LENGTH, IN-CORE (IN)	36

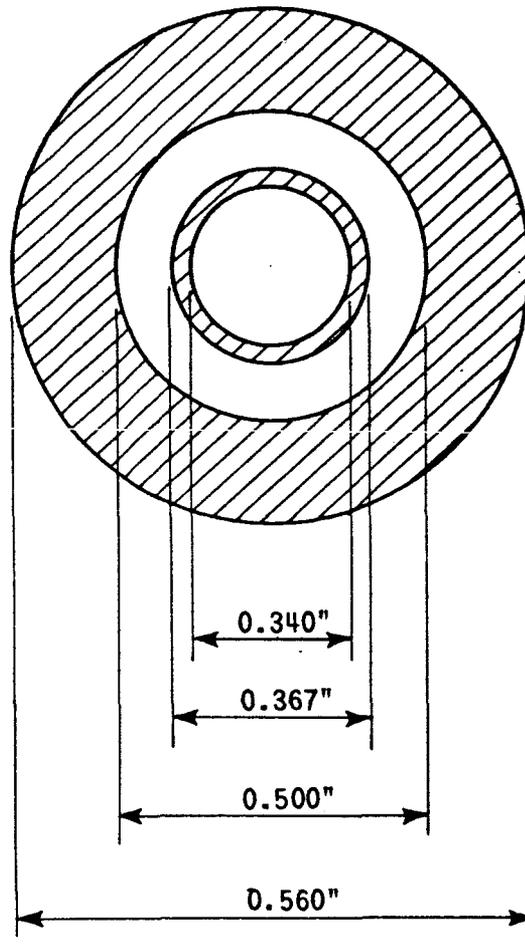


Figure III-3

Principal Poison Tube Parameters

1. Design of a plenum and re-entrant tube assembly for distribution of chemical poison solution.
2. Achievement of uniform flow distributions among the tubes.
3. Timing and control of concentration changes.
4. Heat removal required to maintain desired fluid and metal temperatures.

A full scale model of the manifold and the 198 poison tubes in their hexagonal array was constructed of plexiglas for low pressure and room temperature flow distribution and solution injection tests. Plexiglas was used to obtain a visual history of chemical concentration and flow distribution during steady state and transient single and two-phase tests. The tests were conducted in a hydraulic facility at WAPD; parallel programs of evaluation of materials and total system response tests were also conducted. The purpose and scope of all the test efforts were reported on in References 1 and 2.

IV. MODEL DESIGN AND OPERATION

A. Model Design

The model was constructed using the plexiglass so that flow and concentration patterns could be made visible by gas or dye injection. The walls were designed to withstand a calculated pressure drop of 100 psi. All internal dimensions of the model were those determined by the flow distribution analysis for the prototype, except the inlet and outlet piping nipples which had a minimum throat of 2-1/8 inch I.D. rather than the 2-1/4 inch of the prototype. Some breakage of the threads of the outer tubes was experienced and metal nipples were substituted at the upper junction where the tubes were threaded into the manifold plate.

The original design of the model and its component parts are shown in Figure IV-1. Inlet and outlet piping configurations of the prototype are simulated as closely as possible using the same length of pipe and the same number of elbows between the shutoff valves and the model inlet plenum. A deflector(1) plate prevents the incoming jet from impinging into the holes in the inlet distribution plate(3). The height of the inlet distribution annulus(2) decreases in the direction of flow such that the flow velocity is approximately constant and thus the pressure head across the perforated annular distribution plate(3) is uniform along its length. The inlet plenum(4) and outlet plenum,(5) as well as the outlet distribution header(6) are tapered in order to maintain a constant velocity and a constant static head. The fluid passes from the inlet header(2) through the perforated distribution plate(3) then through the inlet plenum(4) into the down flow tubes,(7) up the poison tube annuli,(8) radially outward through the outlet plenum,(5) and finally through the perforated outlet distribution(9) cylinder into the outlet header(6) and the outlet pipe.(10)

The manifold is fabricated using three plates. Additional spacers can be inserted to modify the plenum width if test results indicate modifications are required. Most pressure seals are made by replacable neoprene O-rings. The "poison" tubes have a plug(11) at the lower end which carries either a pitot tube(12) or a conductivity probe.(13) The stainless steel inner flow tubes(7) are held concentric with the outer tubes(14) and the pitot tubes by two levels of three set screws (15) There are static pressure taps at forty eight locations in the manifold wall, as shown in Figure IV-2 which permit flow distribution patterns to be correlated with pressure gradients in the plenums.

() Numbers refer to balloons on Figure IV-1.

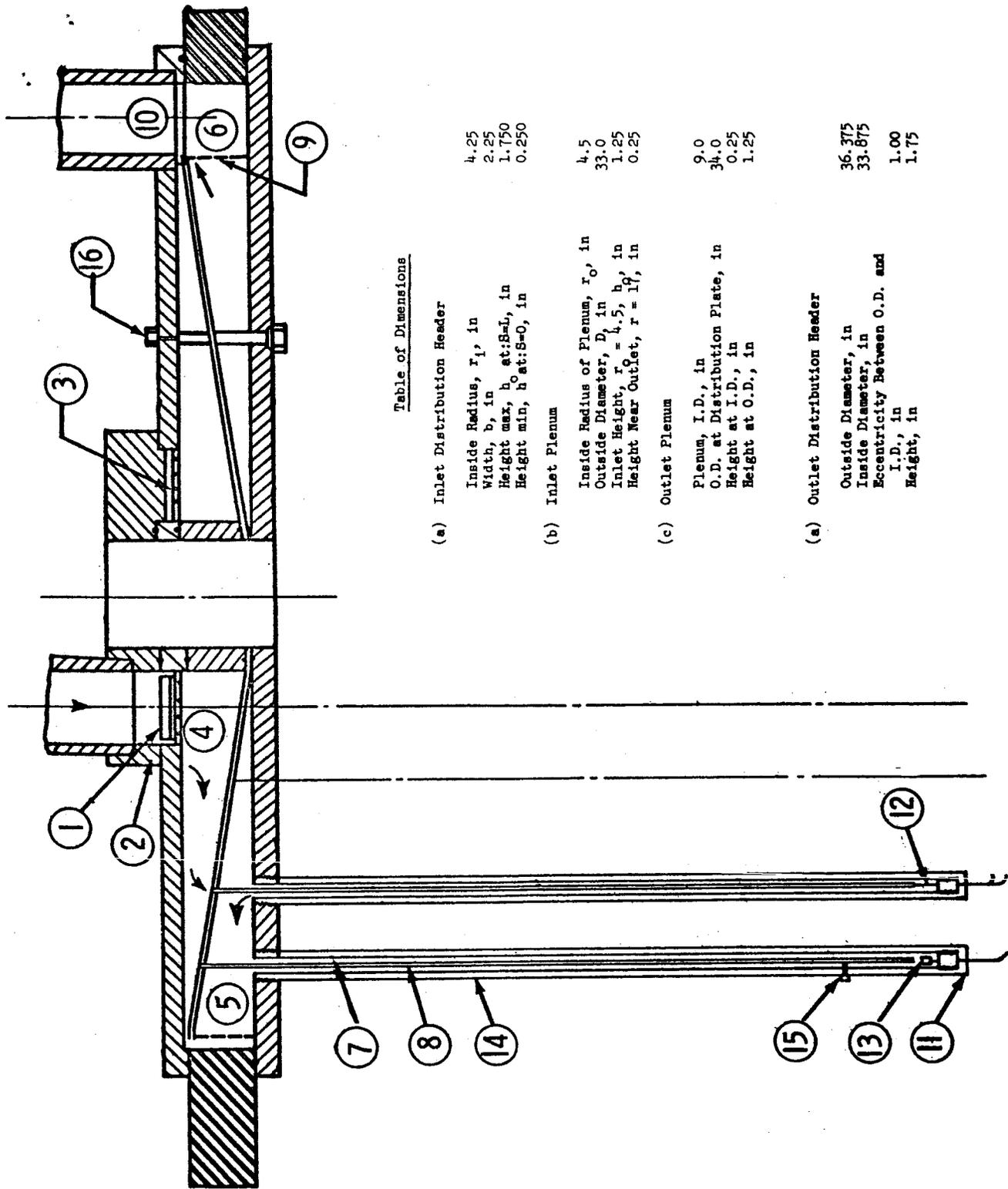
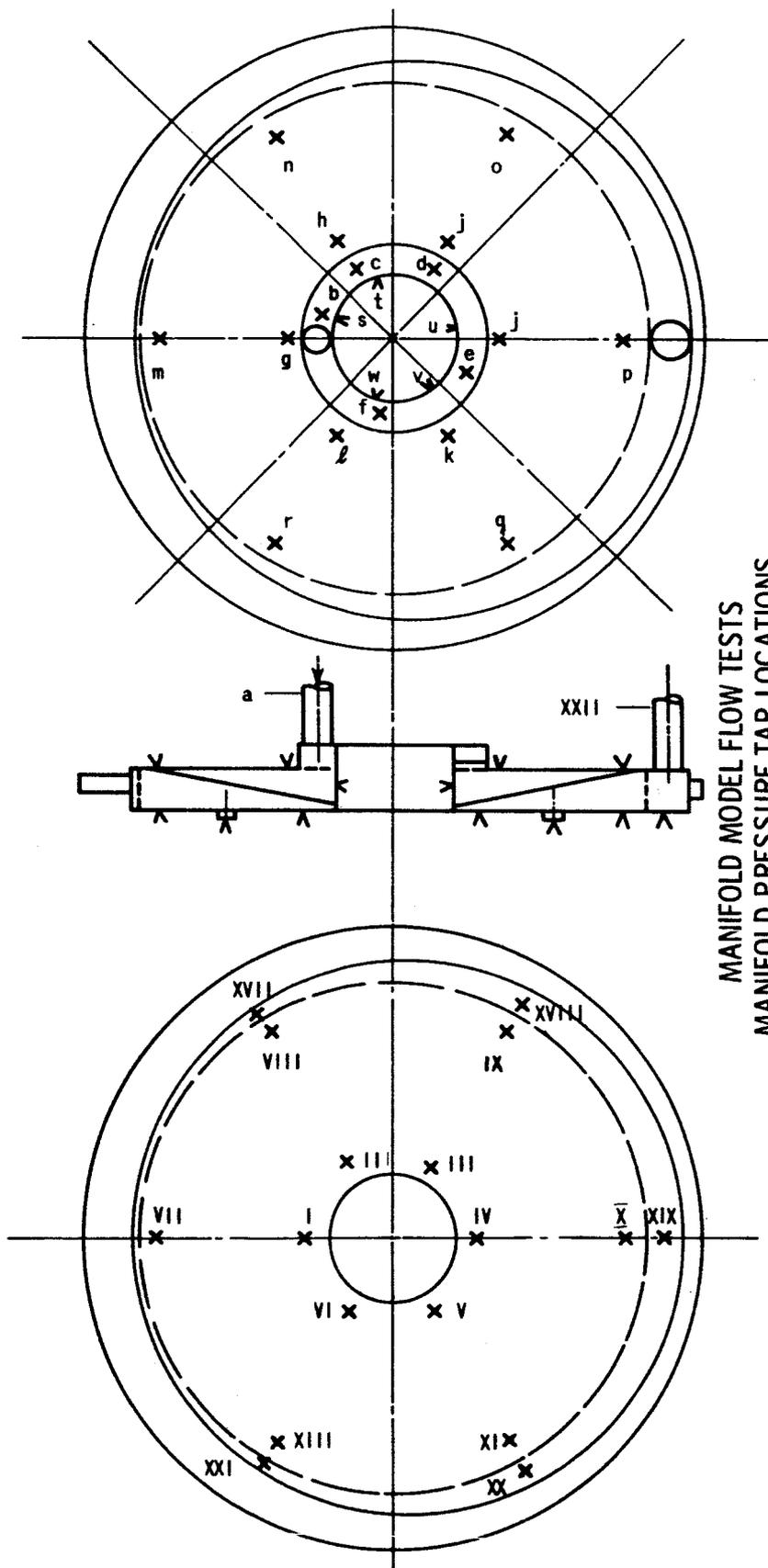


Table of Dimensions

(a) Inlet Distribution Header		
Inside Radius, r_1 , in	4.25	
Width, b , in	2.25	
Height max, $h_{at:S=L}$, in	1.750	
Height min, $h_{at:S=0}$, in	0.250	
(b) Inlet Plenum		
Inside Radius of Plenum, r_o , in	4.5	
Outside Diameter, D_o , in	33.0	
Inlet Height, $r = 4.5$, h , in	1.25	
Height Near Outlet, $r = 1.9$, in	0.25	
(c) Outlet Plenum		
Plenum, I.D., in	9.0	
O.D. at Distribution Plate, in	34.0	
Height at I.D., in	0.25	
Height at O.D., in	1.25	
(a) Outlet Distribution Header		
Outside Diameter, in	36.375	
Inside Diameter, in	33.875	
Eccentricity Between O.D. and I.D., in	1.00	
Height, in	1.75	

MANIFOLD MODEL ASSEMBLY
Figure IV-1



MANIFOLD MODEL FLOW TESTS
MANIFOLD PRESSURE TAP LOCATIONS

Figure IV-2

Figure IV-2

The deflection of the plenum plates is minimized by 38 tie bolts(16) located such that they limit the maximum beam span. Six of these tie bolts are drilled out for additional pressure taps. There are 98 pitot tubes and 98 conductivity probes. The plugs carrying these instruments are interchangeable so that they can be installed using any desired pattern. The model can be taken apart and different distribution plates having different performance patterns can be inserted. Gas or dye can be injected through one of the pressure taps or through one of the centering screw holes. Figure IV-3 is a top view of the manifold model installed in the test loop. Figure IV-4 shows a bottom view of the tubes with pitot tubes and conductivity cells mounted at their lower ends. Figure IV-5 shows the plates before assembly.

The test loop shown in Figure IV-6 consisted of a 1000 gallon supply tank, two 600 gpm pumps arranged in series to obtain the maximum head, and six inch schedule 10 stainless piping including a straight measuring section containing an orifice. A bypass cooler removes the pump heat and an in-line filter keeps the water clean. A flow regulating and a back pressure valve are provided; there is also instrumentation to measure temperature, pressure, and flow. The concentrate injection system contained a chemical measuring pump, a rotameter and a solenoid valve. Injection rate was set by adjusting the pump stroke.

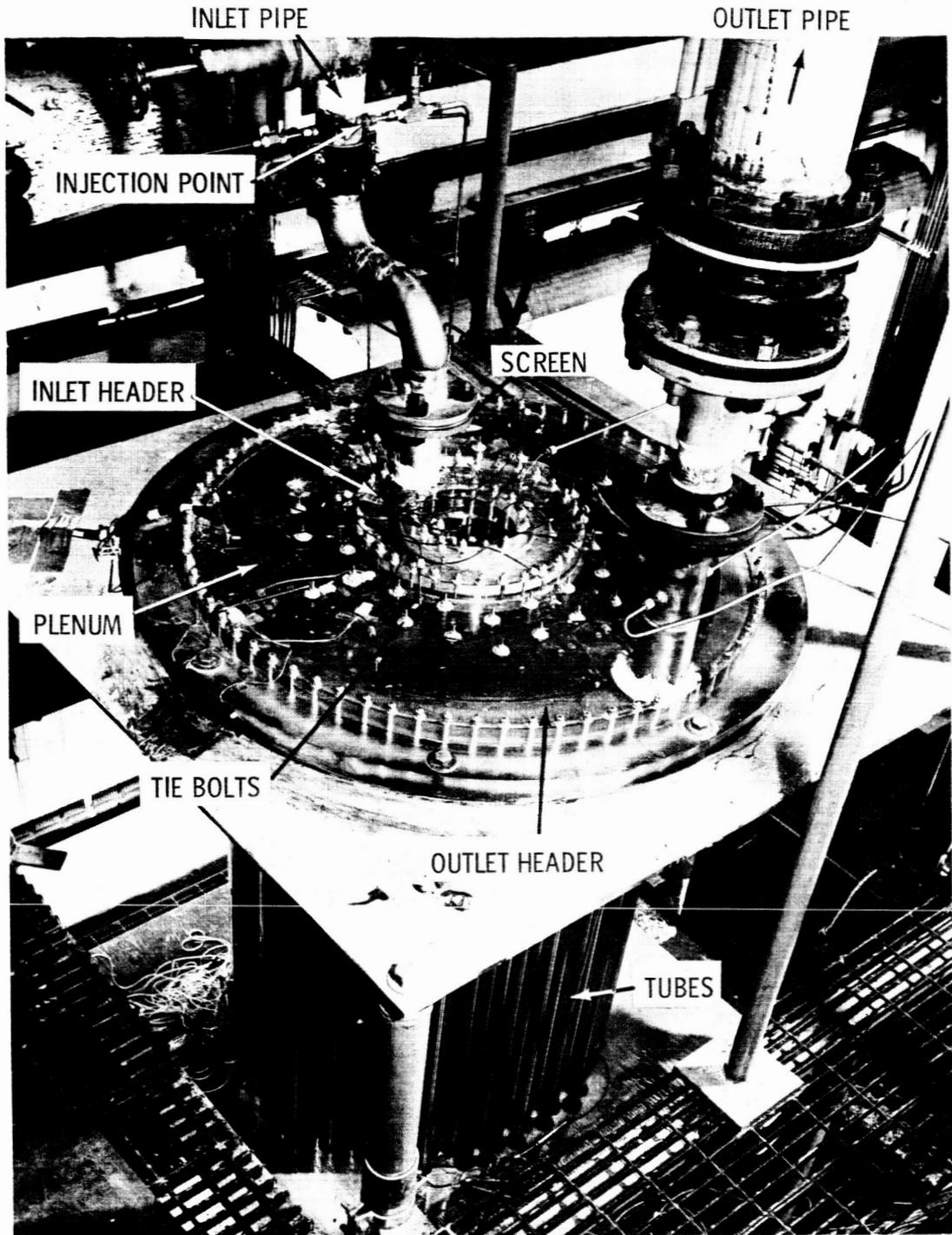


Figure IV-3 Top View, Manifold-Poison Tube Assembly - Plexiglas Flow Model

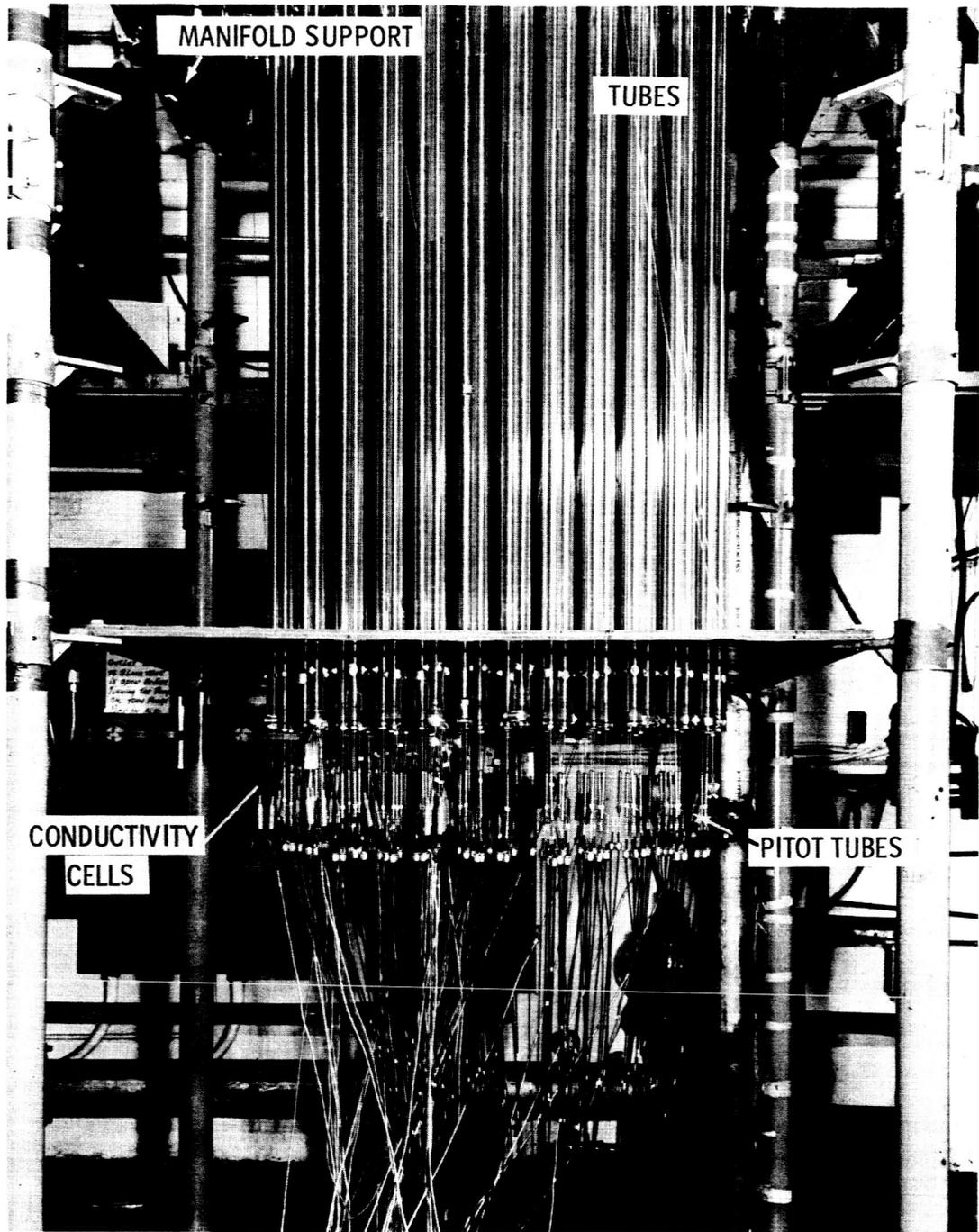


Figure IV-4 Bottom View, Manifold - Poisson Tube Assembly - Plexiglas Flow Model

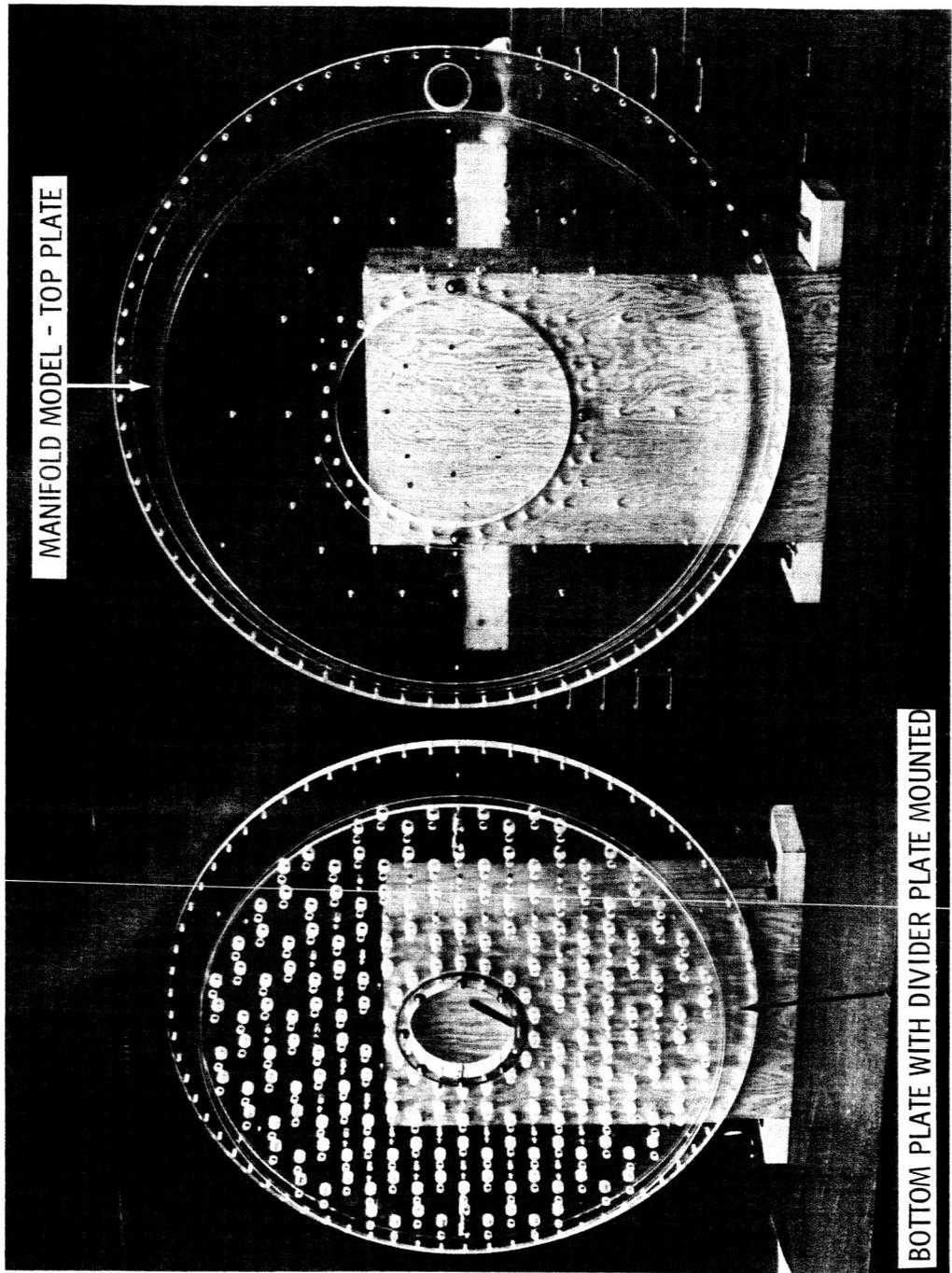


Figure IV-5 Manifold Plates Prior to Assembly

B. Instrumentation and Calibration

1. Flow Distribution

The total circulating flow rate was measured by an orifice-manometer which was calibrated to 1% accuracy by comparison of flow rates through an orifice which had previously been calibrated at the Pennsylvania State University Hydraulics Laboratory. The flow distribution among the poison tubes was determined by pitot tubes installed into and concentrically with the inner tubes at the lower end, Figure IV-4 and Figure IV-7. These pitot tubes were calibrated in place in a typical poison tube assembly mounted in a separate low capacity (5 gpm) calibration loop.

The effects of depth of insertion and of eccentricity in installation of the pitot tubes into the low capacity loop were checked and found to be small. At a nominal flow of 3 gpm/tube, tubes with a pitot tube installed had 8% less flow than tubes without instrumentation and tubes with conductivity cells had 1% less flow than tubes without instrumentation. This flow rate variation did not introduce errors in the analysis since only flow rates in instrumented tubes were compared with one another in the normalizing process.

The pitot tubes were mounted in the bottom plugs for the poison tubes as shown in Figure IV-7. The pitot tube pressures were read off banks of water filled precision glass tubes Figure IV-8. These tubes were manifolded and pressurized in groups by regulated compressed air. This arrangement balanced the mean pitot tube pressure, so that the desired readings could be found accurately in inches of water above the balancing pressure. The balancing pressures were indicated by mercury manometers which showed the difference between a reference pressure and the manifolds. When steady flow conditions were reached the indicating tube banks were photographed to insure simultaneous readings. Figure IV-9 shows a typical record. These records were read and the results punched on IBM cards by using a Benson-Lehner scanner. A program was written for the IBM 7094 computer to process these cards and print out the normalized flow distribution in a hexagonal array corresponding to the tube array. The program is listed and the results are reproduced in Appendix A.

2. Concentration Distribution

The time for injected concentrated solution to reach the manifold was found by conductivity probes installed at the manifold inlet and outlet and at the bottom of the poison tubes. The probes, were connected to a A-C Bridge which had its output recorded on visicorders. When a concentration change occurred there was a

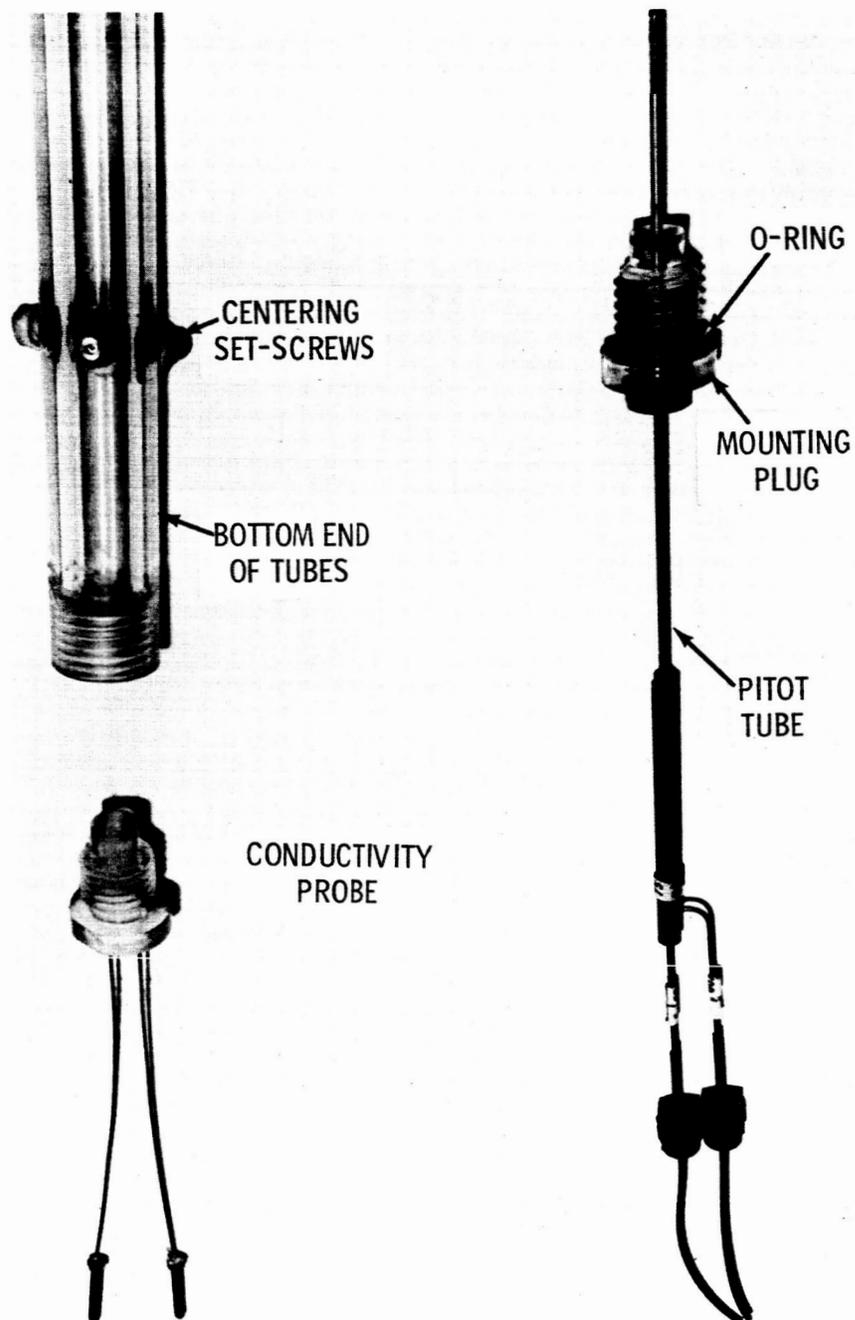


Figure IV-7 Assembly of Pitot Tubes and Conductivity Probes to Bottom End of Tubes

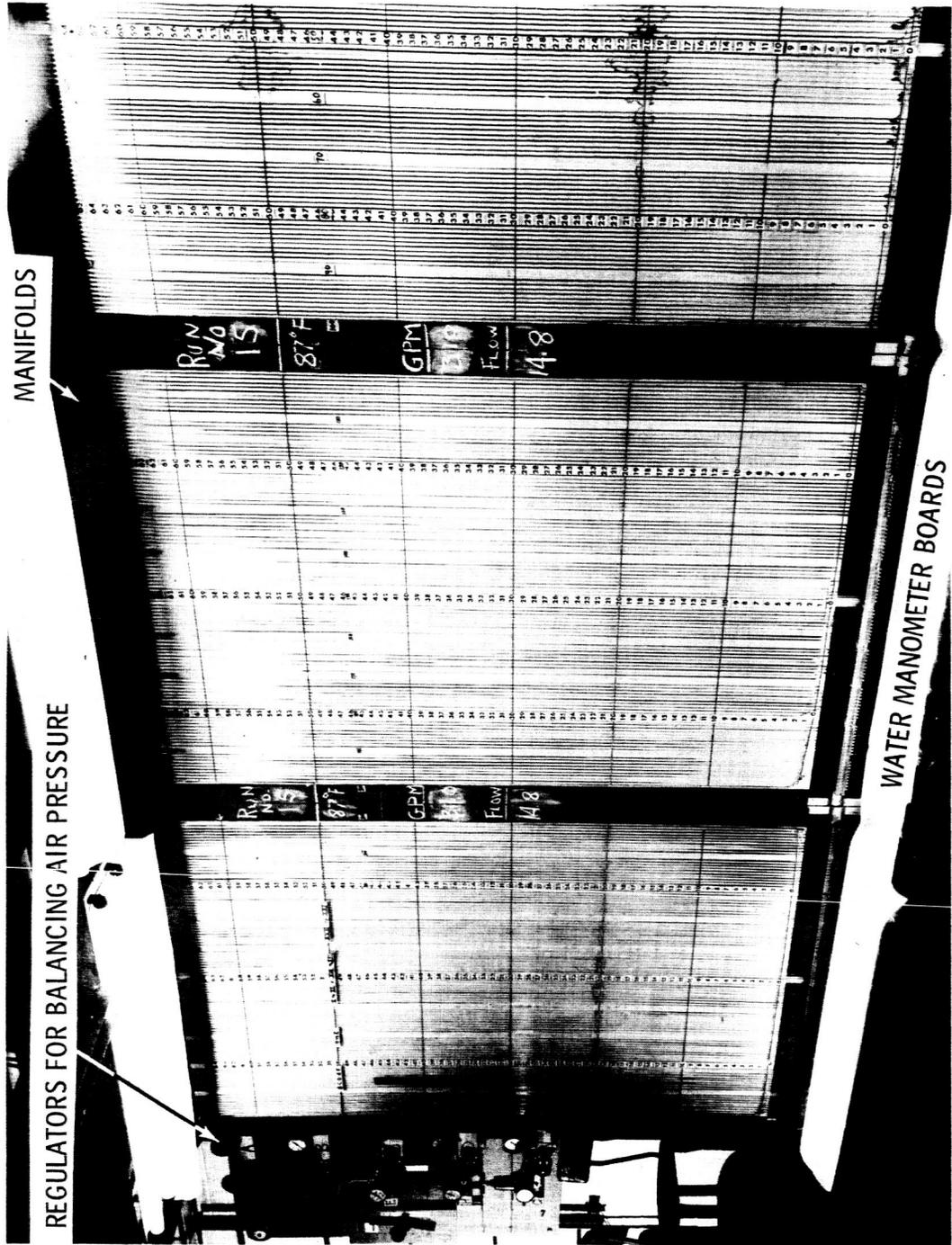


Figure IV-8 Manometer Board

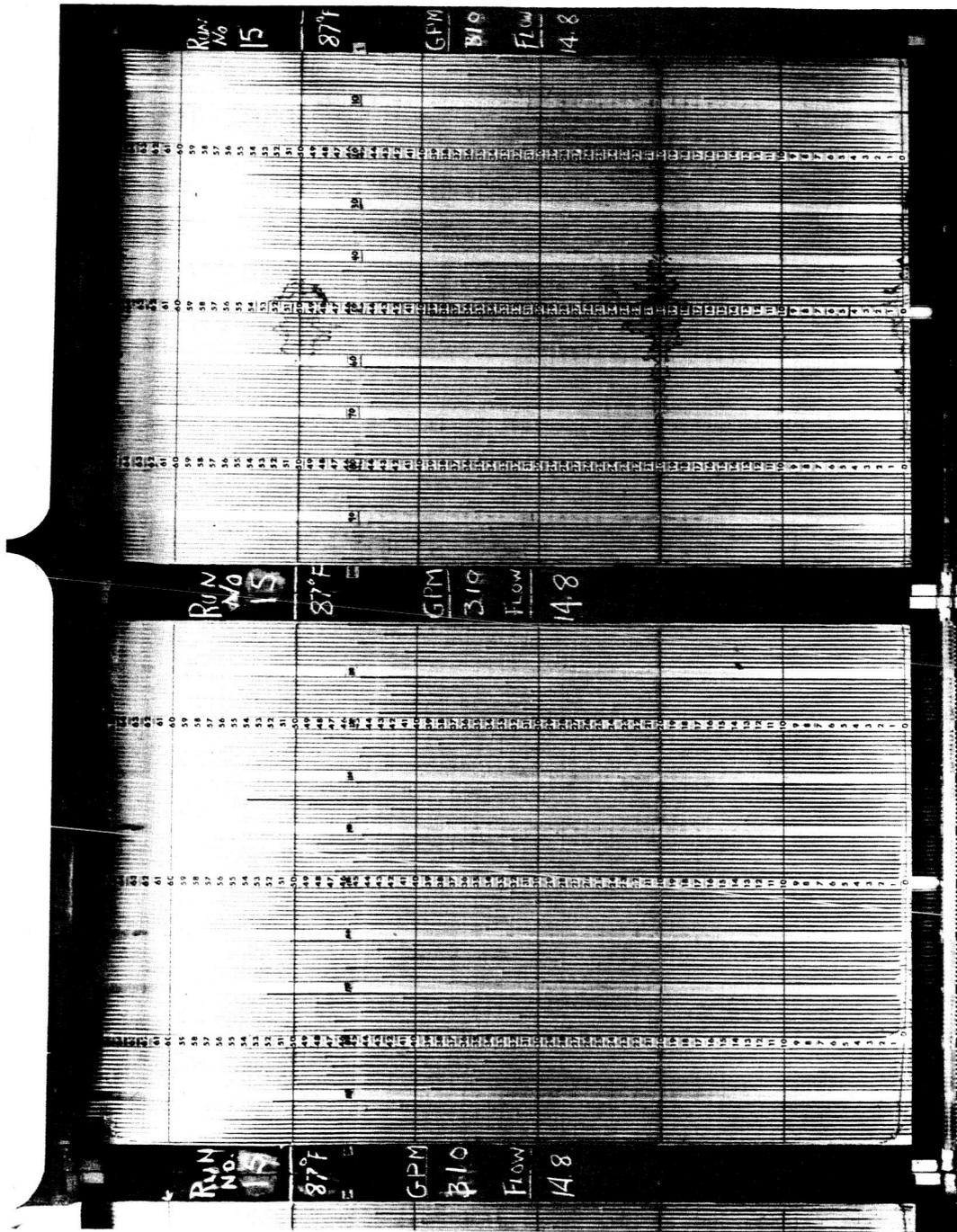


Figure IV-9 Typical Flow Record

deflection of the visicorder trace. The probes consisted of two one cm square platinum plated opposed plates as shown in Figure IV-7. They were calibrated individually and also by recording step changes in the concentration circulating solution and comparing them with chemical analyses of samples taken simultaneously. In the tests NaCl was substituted for $CdSO_4$ on an equal concentration basis. Figure IV-10 is a calibration record of 14 probes which correlates deflection and concentration. Figure IV-11 shows the three visicorders and the balancing bridge cabinet. The calibrated operating range was from 3 to 4 mg/cc solution. The injection tank charge was around 180 mg/cc. Figure IV-12 is a typical visicorder trace of a test recording time and concentration changes at the inlet, outlet and 16 tubes. There is a short delay after the valve opens before the concentration change front reaches the inlet probe. At the inlet the concentration still follows the injection pump stroke, but mixing and diffusion even out the concentration front so that it appears as a nearly linear variation at the bottom of the tubes.

The minimum time for the injected poison to pass through the manifold is found from arrival at the probe in the outlet pipe.

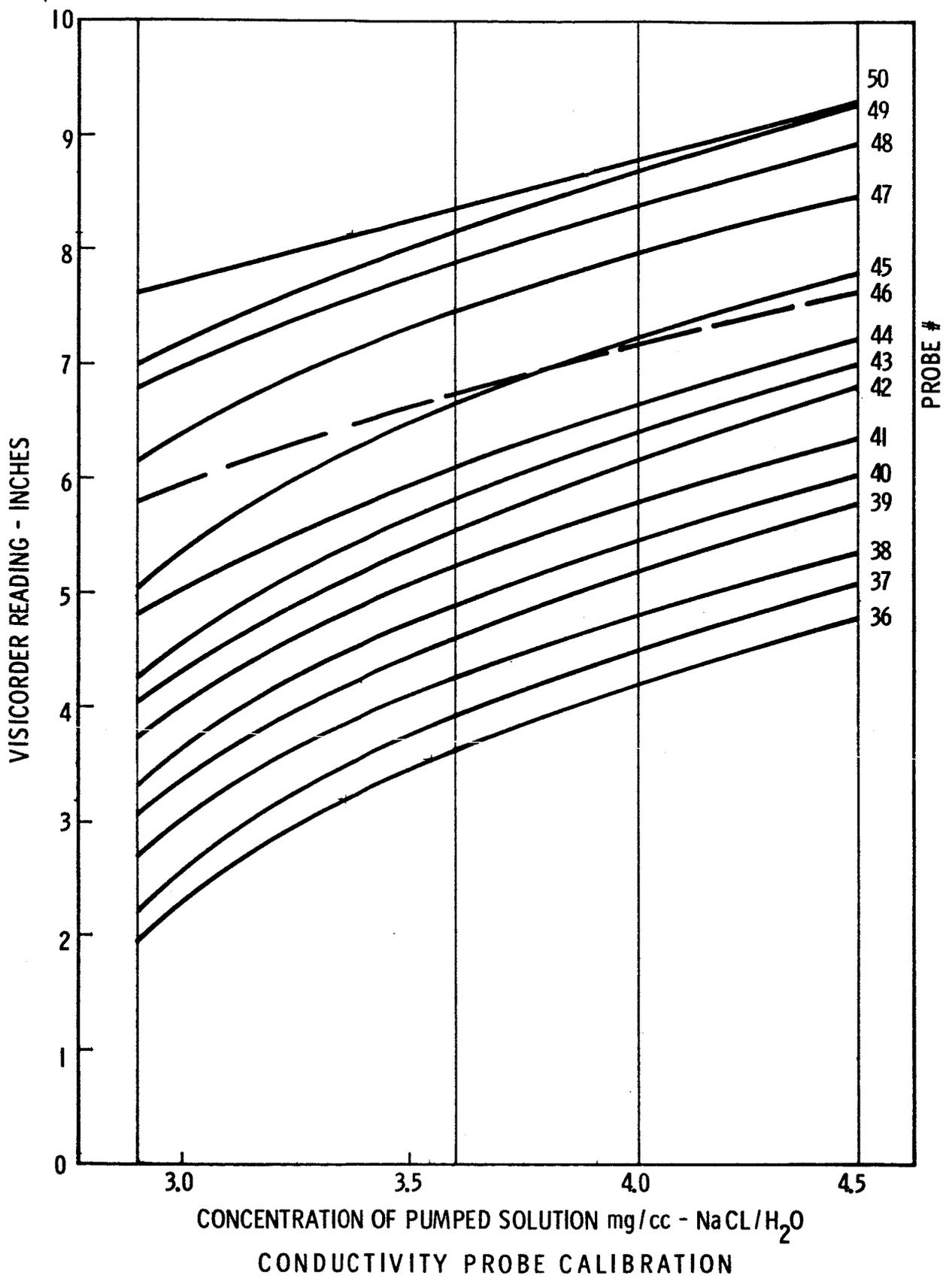


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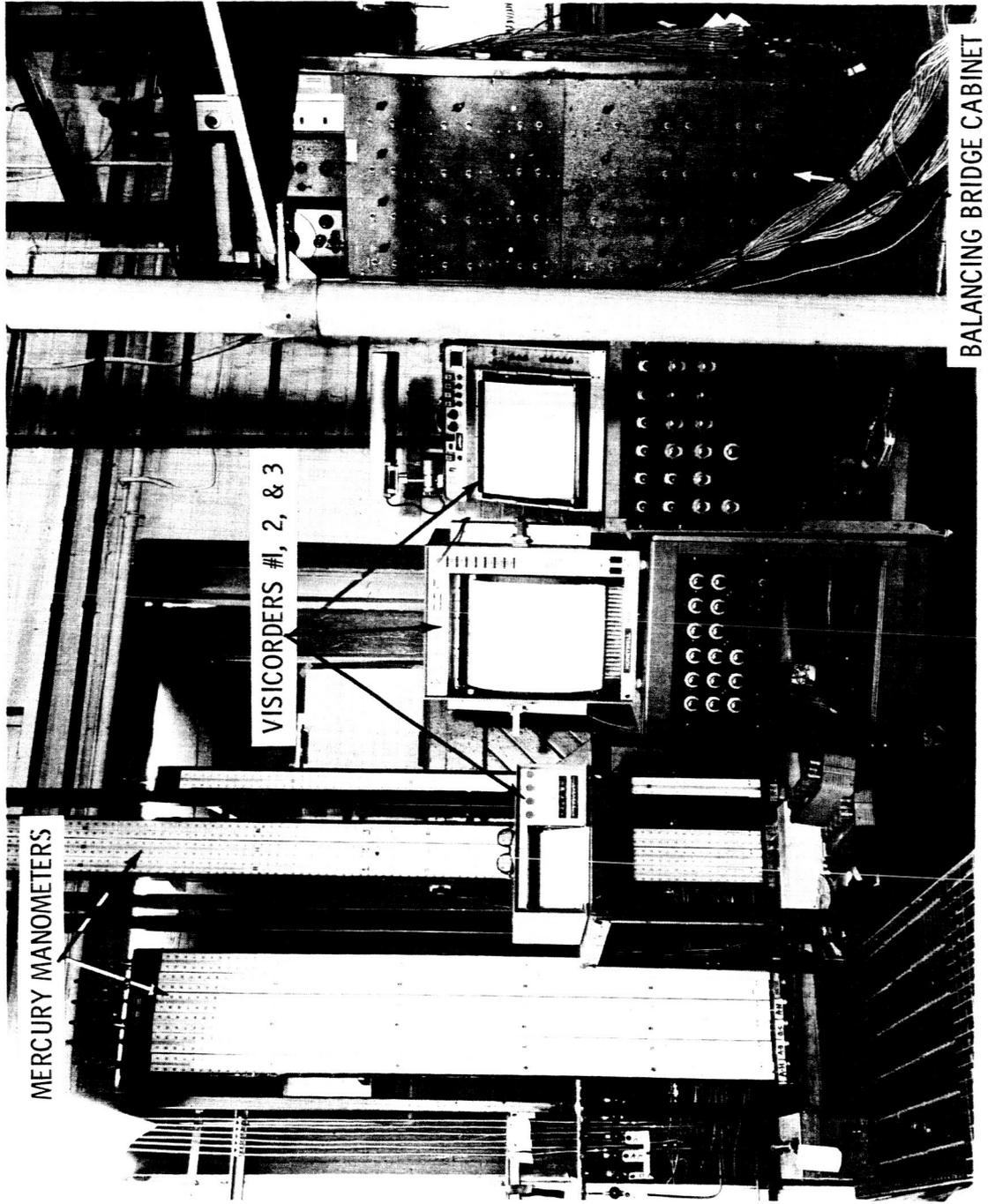


Figure IV-11 Visicorder Readout for Conductivity Probes

CONCENTRATION vs. TIME RECORD
 TRACED FROM VISICORDER RECORD
 RUN #2 - 8, 13, 1965
 600 GPM TOTAL FLOW RATE
 3.30 mg/cc INITIAL CONCENTRATION
 FINAL CONCENTRATION
 1.65 mg/cc
 INJECTION RATE, 0.625 GPM, OF
 200,000 ppm NaCl SOLUTION

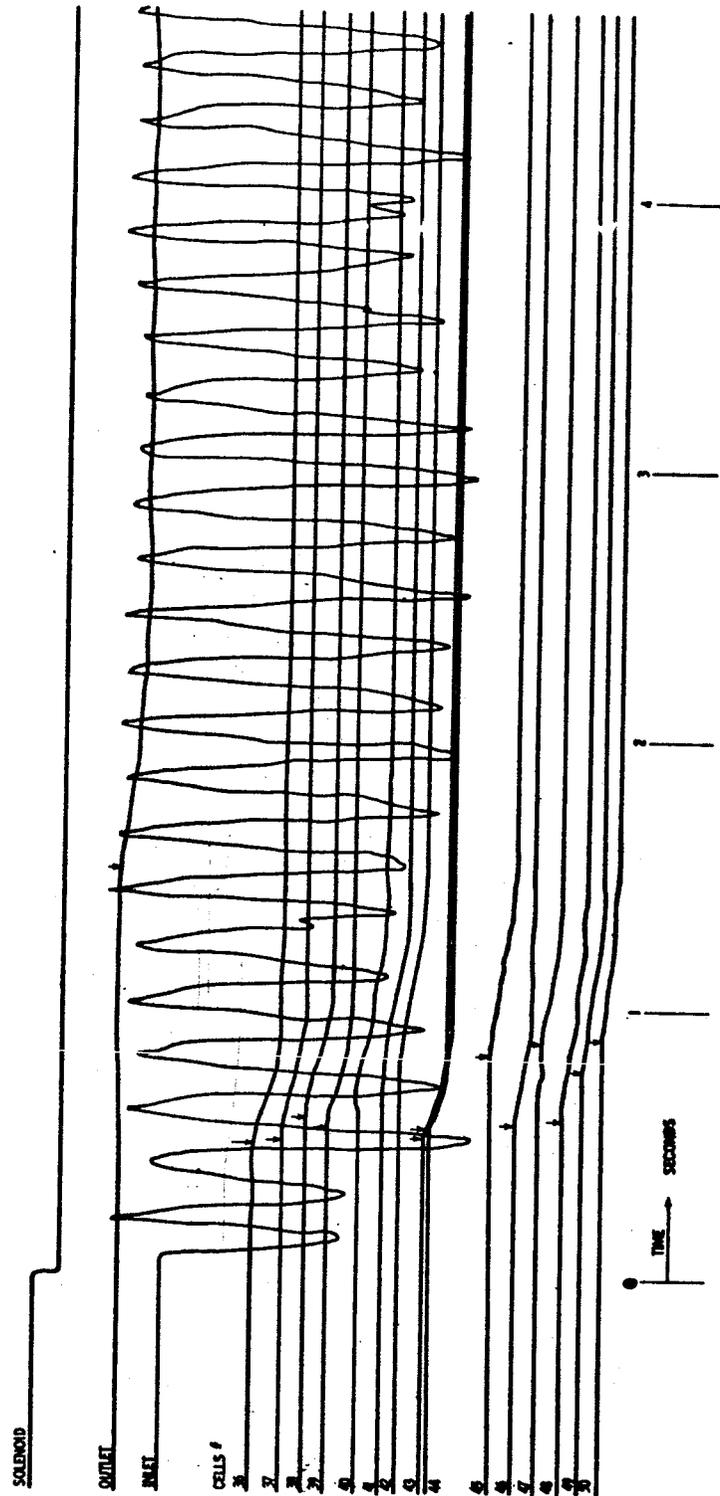
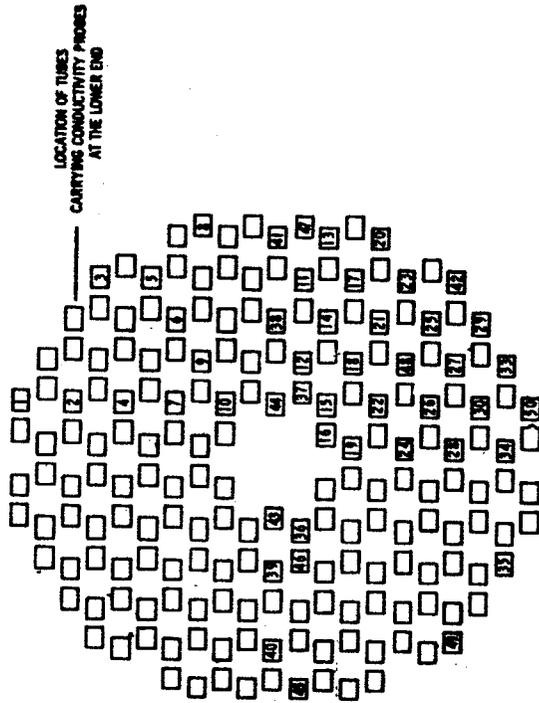


Figure IV-12

Typical Visicorder Trace

V. TEST RESULTS AND ANALYSIS

A. Flow Distribution Tests

The flow distribution tests were conducted to confirm the theoretical design of the manifold re-entrant tube assembly. Of particular interest were uniformity of flow distribution to the tubes and pressure drop. No major changes in design were found necessary and the final and preliminary designs are virtually identical and validate the theoretical design basis. Flow distributions among the tubes was uniform throughout the range of flow rates tested (100 to 600 gpm) and no singular flow region existed after the deflector plate was removed.

In the first flow test configuration 1A the tubes around the inner periphery of the manifold were partially starved.* The piping connections to the model consisted of short radius plastic elbows. These caused considerable cavitation particularly at high flow rates. Because of differential expansion a large number of re-entrant tubes at the outer periphery of the manifold failed at the roots of the threads connecting them to the manifold. For these reasons modifications were made as follows:

1. Mechanical Design Modifications

The upper threaded portions of the plastic tubes were replaced by brass nipples glued to the tubes. The tie bolts were replaced by bolts of higher strength material to prevent recurrence of failure. Threaded portions of the lower end of the plastic tubes showed radial cracks due to expansion of the plug inserts (by water absorption). They were glued, re-inforced or replaced as necessary.

2. Piping Connections Modifications

To eliminate cavitation and to reduce overall pressure drop of the test system, the outlet elbows were replaced by a straight pipe section. The sharp turn plastic inlet elbows had been selected to minimize transmission of vibration to the model. These elbows were replaced by long radius schedule 10 stainless steel elbows to suppress cavitation.** A screen was inserted downstream of the elbows to flatten the flow profile in the nipple.

3. Manifold Component Modifications

The flow rate through the re-entrant tubes at the inner periphery of the manifold was much lower than average. This condition was corrected by:

- a. removal of the inlet deflection baffle which increased the flow through the tubes below the inlet nipple. This change and the changes made in (2) above are reported as configuration 1B.

* The flow distribution test data are reproduced in Appendix A.

** A discussion on the cavitation appears in Appendix B.

- b. increasing the height of the inlet distribution header by 3/16 inch. This increased the flow to the average value in the tubes 180° from the inlet header. The entrance pressure drop coefficient for the holes in the distribution plate had been estimated too high as a result of treating the holes as tube entrances rather than thin plate orifices. A high coefficient increases the ratio of lateral outflow to flow through the header. When the header resistance was reduced by increasing its cross section a better flow ratio was achieved. This change is reported as configuration 1C.

In Table V-1, the test results are summarized. Using the normalized data and histograms in Appendix A, an average percentage deviation from average flow has been calculated and is listed. Also for the percentage of tubes whose flow deviated by certain increments from this average are also tabulated.

It can be seen that the minor modifications effected in the original design were successful in producing nearly average flow through all the tubes. The average deviation was improved through the modification and the number of tubes with considerable deviation from the average also decreased. For the design flow, the maximum deviation from the average is about 20% with 69% of the tubes varying less than + 5% from the average. There is the likelihood that one of the tubes for which no measurement was made as much as 30% below the average. Another point to be noted is that although the average deviation is seen to increase as the flow rate decreases, the relative flow distribution remains essentially unchanged even at the lowest flow tested.

A detailed examination of the flow data indicated that the flow rate through several tubes was considerably lower or higher than average. There was, however, no discernible pattern as to the location of these tubes. It was suspected that these irregularities were caused by some peculiarity of tube installation rather than because of geometric location in the tube array. To confirm this conclusion and to rule out instrumentation abnormality, the pitot tubes from the eight "maverick" poison tubes were moved to the minor image locations for those poison tubes. In the new location, seven out of the eight showed flow very close to average. Thus, the flow maldistribution was ascribed to dissymetry or entrance effects in the poison tube installation. Later, after this program was complete, the plexiglas model top plate was removed and the poison tube inlets were examined. No correlation between the flow pattern and tube inlet configuration (such as re-entrant or recessed entry) could be found.

Table V-1

TEST RESULTS
FLOW DISTRIBUTION

Configuration*	Run No.	Flow Rate gpm	Average % Deviation	Percentage of Tubes Whose Flow Deviates from Average by:							Figure No. in Appendix A	
				<.05	<.10	<.15	<.20	<.25	<.30	<.40		<.50
1A	1	313	.07	46	72	83	89	94	95	96	96	3,4 5,6 7,8 9,10
1A	5	296	.07	45	74	83	88	93	95	96	97	
1B	7	307	.07	51	75	89	93	97	98	99	99	
1B	8	455		50	75	88	94	97	98	99	99	
1C	10	305	.06	54	85	90	94	98	99	99	100	
1C	12	602	.05	69	85	94	100	100	100	100	100	
1C	13	100	.06	60	84	89	94	96	98	99	100	
1C	15	310	.06	60	87	94	97	98	98	99	100	

* Configuration
 1A with inlet baffle
 1A with inlet baffle
 1B without inlet baffle
 1B without inlet baffle
 1C inlet header
 1C heightened .180"
 1C heightened .180"
 1C heightened .180"

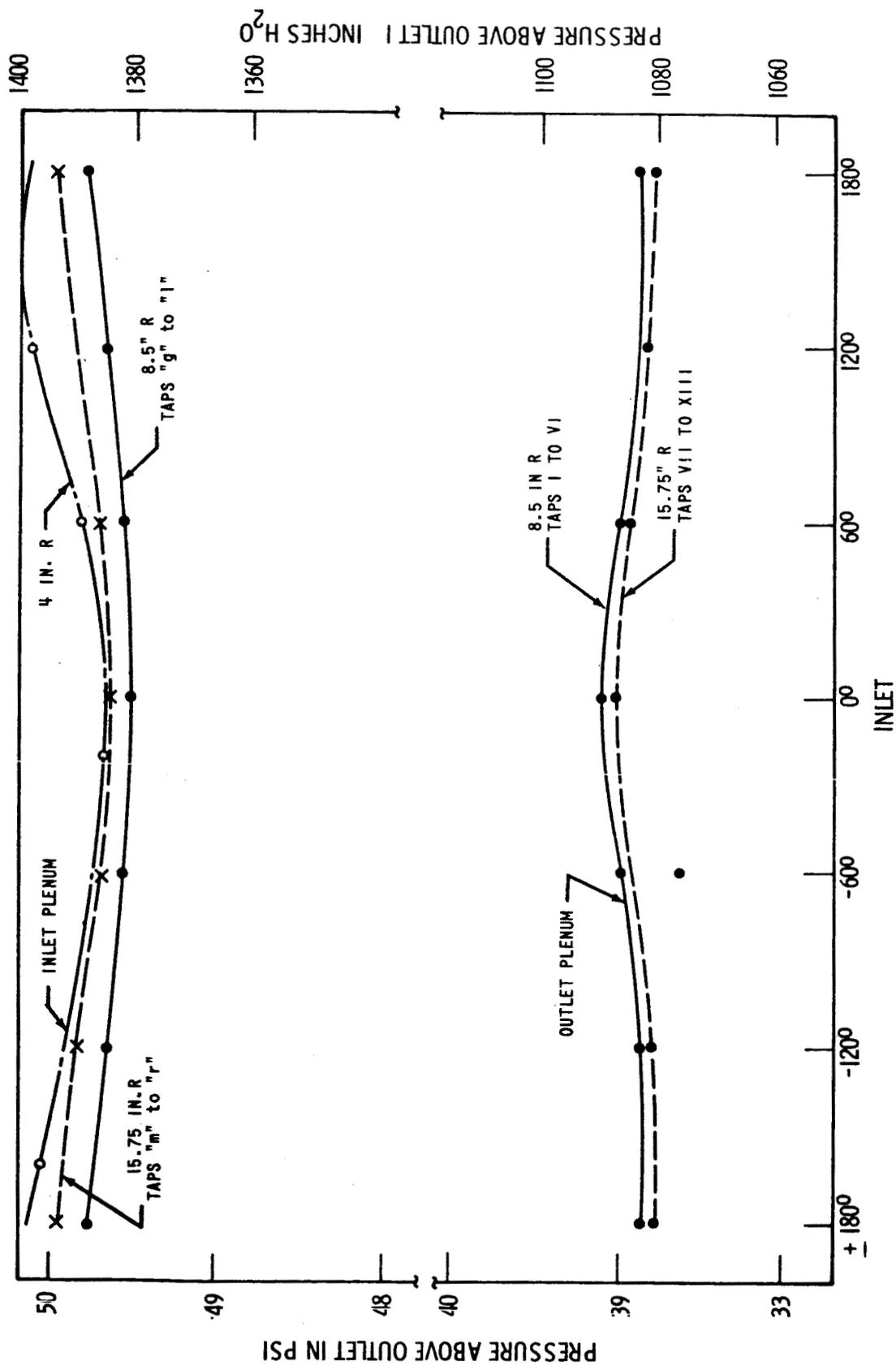
The static pressures in the manifold were measured at the outer surfaces and may be slightly different at the tube inlets. There is a small circumferential variation and a smaller radial pressure difference in both inlet and outlet plenum, Figure V-1. Thus the attempt to secure uniform static pressure was compromised slightly by the use of straight-line plenum contours instead of the more complicated curved ones calculated. The total variation in static pressure in the inlet plenum is less than 0.5 psi and 0.3 psi for the outlet plenum. The minimum pressure drop across any tube is 10.5 psi and occurred in tubes at 8.5 inch radius near the inlet. The maximum pressure drop across any tube is 11.2 psi and occurred at a 15.75 inch radius 180° from the inlet. This total spread of pressure drop of approximately 6% cannot account for the low flows observed in isolated tubes.

The pressure profile through the manifold assembly was determined from the static pressure measurements at 600 gpm:

<u>Location</u>	<u>ΔP Measured in the Model</u>
Inlet Pipe (below valve) to Inlet Header	25.6 psi
Inlet Header to Inlet Plenum	24.0 psi
Inlet Plenum to Outlet Plenum	10.8 psi
Outlet Plenum to Outlet Header	4.3 psi
Outlet Header to Outlet Pipe	33.0 psi
Total manifold pressure drop	97.7 psi

Because of the insertion of the screen in the inlet, the manifold pressure drop was higher than previously estimated by about 13 psi. It was concluded that the edges leading to the outlet pipe should be rounded off or flared to reduce the pressure drop in the reference design.

The tests were performed at atmospheric temperature and pressure without heat input to the tubes. The non-uniformity in the heat absorption in the prototype will produce a variation in the poison solution density and viscosity. Based on the reference flux distribution these variations are estimated to be less than 1% and 10% respectively.



RUN #12 - 602 GPM STATIC PRESSURE DISTRIBUTION IN INLET & OUTLET PLENUM

Figure V-1

Figure V-1

Although originally planned no tests were conducted with tubes which had dimensions significantly different than average. More important no tests were conducted with a gas phase dispersed in the liquid. The flow distribution and pressure drop would be significantly different if a considerable amount of radiolytic gas were present.

In general, the design basis of uniform flow distribution in the tubes during single phase flow was fulfilled within practical limits. Checks at locations symmetrical with the instrumented half of the core along the plane through inlet and outlet centerlines show that the same distribution could be expected in the non-instrumented half of the core. This conclusion was confirmed in the subsequent concentration distribution tests. The mean deviation is of a magnitude equal to or less than that obtained in numerous flow distribution tests of reactor models which have a much simpler geometry.

B. Concentration Distribution Tests

These tests were made to establish the time history and spacial distribution of the propagation of concentration change through the manifold. In particular, the design required that the concentration gradient in the assembly should not exceed $\pm 5\%$. Injection of the concentrate was to be sensed at the top of the re-entrant tubes within 0.2 seconds after opening of the injection valve. The first 16 runs were calibration runs with only ten conductivity probes connected to the recorder (array #0). When the injection system performed as designed, the 48 probes were distributed in two arrays (I and II) in succession, each covering more than one half of the core and having 16 locations in common for comparison.

The loop concentration during these tests was near 3.4 mg sodium chloride per cc solution. The concentrate injection rate was about 0.17 gpm except for runs 16 and 25 for which a higher rate was used to maximize visicorder response. It was found that the time period between injection and arrival of the concentrate at the tubes was independent of the injection rate within the limits tested. Table V-2 summarizes the conditions and results of the injection tests. The tests covered circulating flow rates from 175 to 600 gpm.

Test results obtained with the same flow rates and arrays 0, I or II were combined to give maps of time delay distribution from injection valve opening to arrival of the concentration change at the bottom of the tubes; Figure V-2 for 300 gpm, Figure V-3 for 400 gpm, and Figure V-4 for 175 gpm. The 600 gpm run was made with array II only and its results are shown in Figure V-5. An examination of these maps indicates that the arrival time at any flow rate varies principally with radius and not very much with circumferential location.

Table V-2

TEST RESULTS
CONCENTRATION DISTRIBUTION

Run No.	Date 1965	Flow gpm	Probe Array No.	Loop Concen- tration mg/cc	Injection		Avg. Deflection		To Bottom of Tubes of Tubes	To Top of Tubes	To Out- let
					Rate gpm	Conc. mg/cc	mg/cc	% of Loop Conc.			
15	7-28	175	0	3.31	0.174	122	0.122	3.70	1.62	.21	4.61
16	7-28	300	0	3.31	0.125	182	0.07	2.12	0.93	.120	2.60
17	8-6	300	I	3.30	0.175	186	-	-	0.923	.113	2.80
18	8-6	200	I	3.30	0.175	186	-	-	1.31	.18	2.625
19	8-9	302	I	3.30	0.17	188	0.075	2.27	0.94	.184	2.625
20	8-9	395	I	3.29	0.17	188	0.050	1.52	0.66	.0652	2.375
21	8-11	300	II	3.58	0.17	160	0.070	1.96	0.94	.12	2.75
22	8-11	175	II	3.58	0.17	160	0.120	3.35	1.63	.22	4.6
23	8-11	407	II	3.58	0.17	160	0.050	1.40	0.71	.112	1.875
24	8-12	596	II	3.30	0.17	164	0.0225	0.68	0.5	-	1.6
25	8-13	600	II	3.38	0.825	200	0.2155	6.40	0.48	.075	1.44

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X

21 CONFIGURATION NO. 1-C-1AII OPERATORS _____ DATE _____

20 TYPE OF TEST Salt Injection TIME _____

19 RUN NO. 20-23 1.40 1.10 x .95 1.15 1.13

18 1.38 1.05 x .85 x .88 x 1.25

17 1.27 1.20* x .74* (IN) .72* .90* x 1.29*

16 1.42* .80* x .79* .68* .80* x 1.37*

15 1.44 x .78 .73 .75 .82 .84 x 1.21

14 1.39 1.05 x .85 x .82 x 1.00

13 1.19 x .85 x .80 x .78 x 1.02

12 1.13 x .83 x .97* x 1.03

11 1.19* .90 x .87 x .84 x 1.00

10 1.17 .98 x .95 x 1.10 1.16

9 1.28 1.25* 1.25 1.10 1.16

8 1.25* 1.25 1.35 1.10 1.42*

7 1.26 1.25 1.35 1.10 1.42*

6 1.28 1.25 1.35 1.10 1.42*

5 1.28 1.25 1.35 1.10 1.42*

4 1.28 1.25 1.35 1.10 1.42*

3 1.28 1.25 1.35 1.10 1.42*

2 1.28 1.25 1.35 1.10 1.42*

1 FLOW STUDY *AVG. of two values 1.35 1.42*

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X

x = TIE BOLT LOCATION

Time to bottom of tubes - seconds

TOTAL FLOW 400 gpm.

AVG. CONCENTR. ≈ 3.4

FIGURE V-3

MANIFOLD

A comparison of results for the same tubes from two runs at the same flow rate will indicate reproducibility of results. Table V-3 summarizes this comparative data for flow rates of 175, 300, and 400 gpm. Shown on this table are readings for all tubes instrumented during more than one test and the average values of the readings in any given tube and the average percentage deviation.

The reference system requirements for time of arrival of poison in the system were checked by direct measurement of concentration change history after injection of chemical solution. The check points are located at manifold inlet and outlet, and at the bottom of the tubes. The test results in the form of visicorder traces showed the start, duration and completion of the change (Figure IV-12). The local rate of change depends on the width of the mixing zone and its change with passage through the manifold. An experimental equation by F. Sjenitzer⁴ is derived in Appendix C. It describes the width of such a mixing zone.

$$s = 1.96 \times 10^4 \left(\frac{L}{a}\right)^{0.07} \sqrt{al} \times v^{1.8} \operatorname{erf}^{-1}(2y-1)$$

This gives a mixing zone of about 1.3 ft length or of 0.122 seconds for the 4-1/2 ft long poison tubes and about 1 ft or 0.03 seconds for the approach piping.

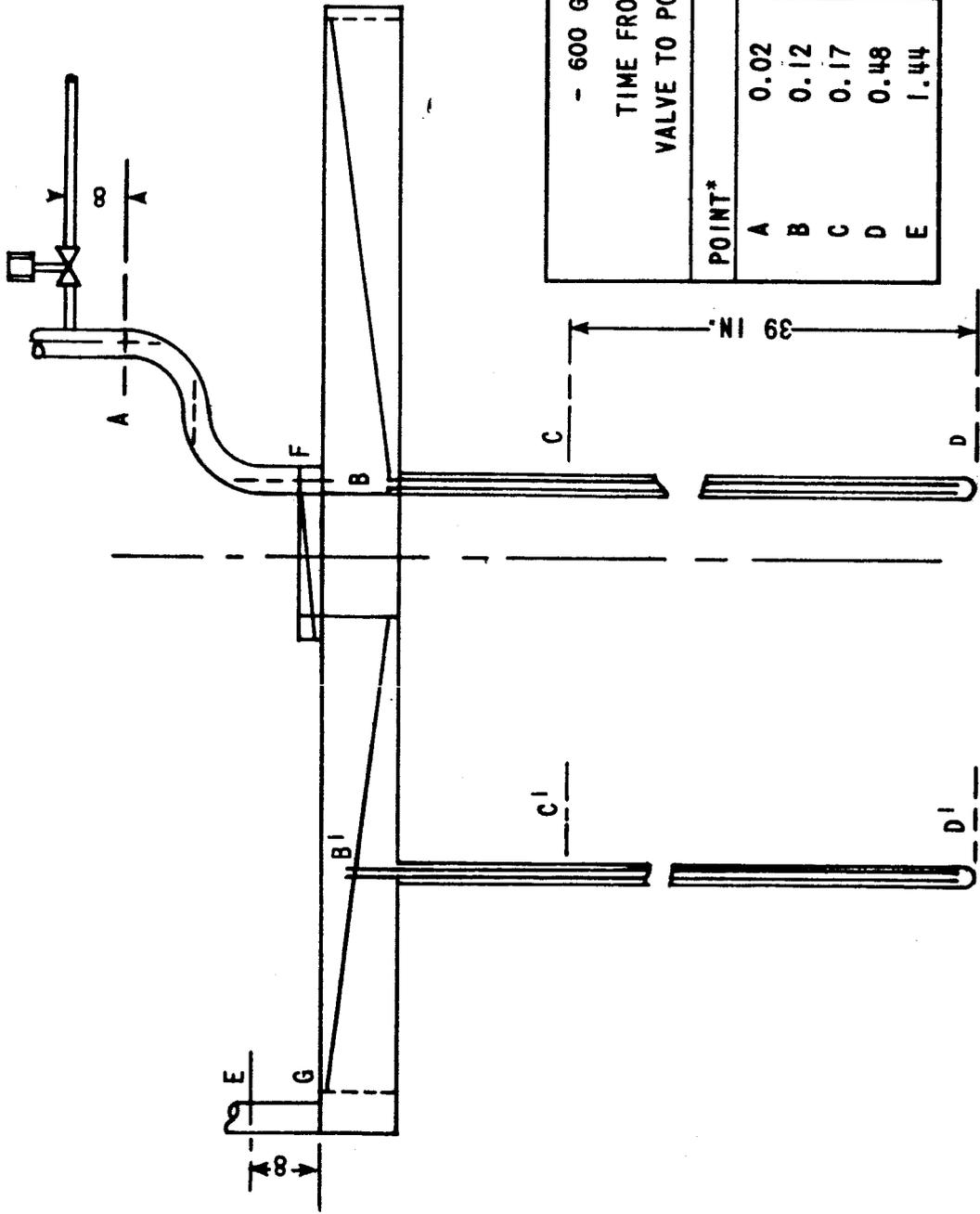
The time interval required for flow to travel from the top to the bottom of the tubes at the average velocity and the time equivalent of the change in width of the mixing zone were subtracted from the measured arrival times at the bottom to give, for 600 gpm, the distribution of concentration change arrival times at the top of the tubes after opening of the injection Valve, Figure V-6. It is shown that at about 18% of the tube locations the concentrate will arrive within 0.2 seconds. Figure V-7 shows the arrival times at minimum and average locations for 600 gpm (Run #25).

The time schedule is, of course, a function of flow rate. The greater the flow rate, the shorter the times. Time schedules resulting from all the tests were prepared in the manner indicated above and the results are plotted in Figure V-8. The slope of these lines indicates that the time intervals are inversely proportional to flow rate.

The visicorder traces indicate that the change in concentration is linear with time. The duration of the change, i.e. the width of the mixing zone, increases with distance from the injection point, i.e. with time. This is illustrated in Figure V-9 where the times to start and complete the concentration changes at manifold inlet, manifold outlet, and bottom of tubes are plotted in proportion to their appearance in the test records. The slope of the top-of-tube times were calculated using the expression of Sjenitzer for the width of the mixing zone.

Table V-3
Comparison of Times for Arrival of Injected Salt Solution
At the Bottom of Tubes

Flow Rate Test Run No. Tube Location	175 gpm			300 gpm			400 gpm					
	15	22	Average Deviation + %	19	21	Average Deviation + %	20	23	Average Deviation + %			
	Sec.	Sec.	Sec.	Sec.	Sec.	Sec.	Sec.	Sec.	Sec.			
O-21	2.75	2.43	2.59	6.2	1.44	1.63	1.535	6.2	1.19	1.20	1.195	0.4
C-11					1.00	1.12	1.06	5.6	0.78	0.71	0.745	4.7
G-11					0.94	0.94	0.94	0.0	0.71	0.73	0.72	1.4
J-11	1.62	1.63	1.625	0.3	1.10	1.13	1.115	1.3	0.81	0.74	0.775	4.6
O-11	1.81	1.82	1.815	0.3	1.25	1.31	1.28	2.3	0.84	0.96	0.90	4.5
S-11					1.60	1.63	1.615	0.9	1.20	1.38	1.29	7.0
W-11	2.75	2.70	2.725	0.9	1.90	1.90	1.90	0.0	1.40	1.45	1.425	1.8
A-10	2.45	3.03	2.74	10.6	1.15	1.18	1.165	1.3	0.83	0.75	0.79	5.0
H-16	1.82	1.88	1.85	1.6	0.93	1.06	0.995	3.0	0.71	0.66	0.685	3.7
I-10					1.10	1.20	1.15	4.4	0.82	0.78	0.80	2.5
P-10					1.80	1.78	1.79	0.6	1.34	1.40	1.37	2.2
X-10					1.37	1.33	1.35	1.5	0.95	1.00	0.975	2.6
Q-6					1.77	1.78	1.775	0.3	1.13	1.25	1.19	5.0
C-5					1.75	1.75	1.75	0.0	1.35	1.33	1.34	0.7
U-4					1.85	1.78	1.815	1.9	1.16	1.34	1.25	7.2
H-2					1.95	1.95	1.95	0.0	1.38	1.46	1.42	2.8
O-1	3.12	3.08	3.10	0.7								
Avg.				3.0				1.8				3.5



- 600 GPM FLOW -
TIME FROM SOLENOID
VALVE TO POINT - SECOND

POINT*	POINT**
A	A'
B	B'
C	C'
D	D'
E	E'

* VALUES AT POINTS A, B, ETC, REPRESENT MINIMUM TIMES.

** VALUE AT POINT A', B', ETC, REPRESENT TIMES TO A TUBE AT THE AVERAGE RADIUS.

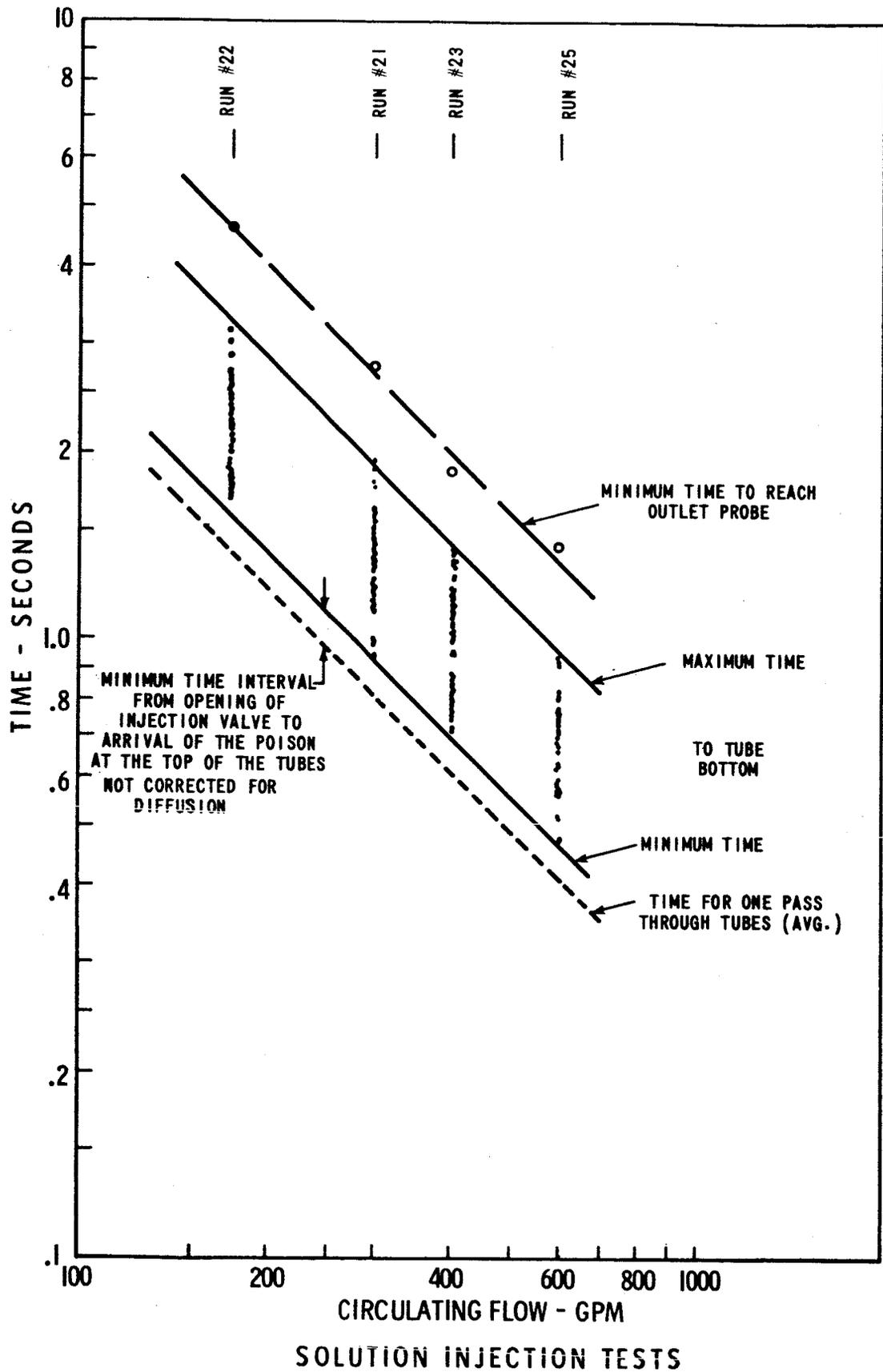


Figure V-8

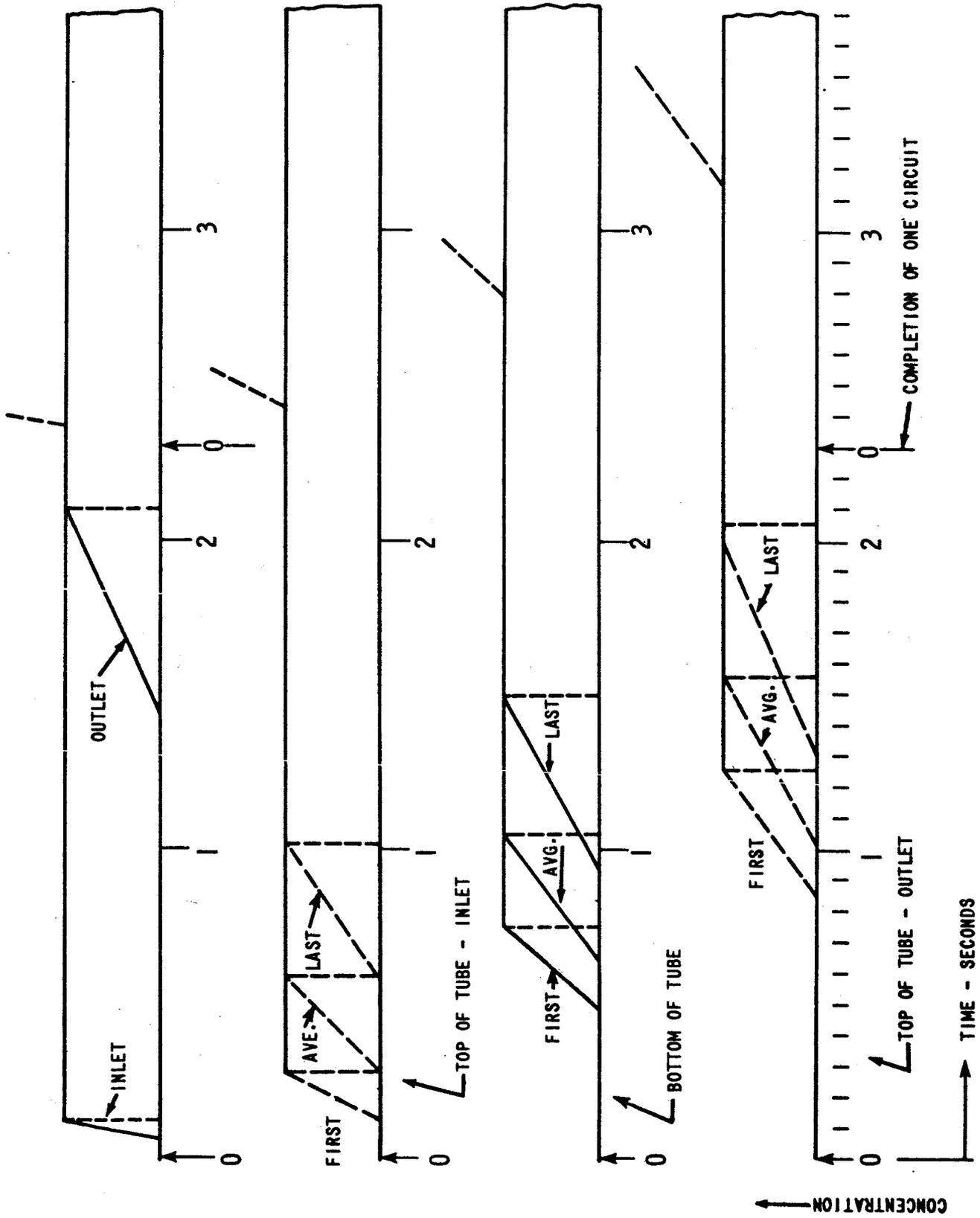


Figure V-9

RUN #25 - 600 GPM CHANGE IN CONCENTRATION VS. TIME AFTER SOLENOID VALVE OPENING

Figure V-9

Curve V-9 was cross plotted to show in Figure V-10 and V-11 the concentration distribution in the tubes at any time between injection and completion of one circuit after injection. Figure V-11 was obtained by defining three groups of tubes located centrally, average radius and peripherally and calculating the progress of concentration change rather than using the times for each individual tube. The percentage of the total poison tube length of the core that has undergone the concentration change is also shown, as a dotted curve. The normalized tube length completing the change can be translated into core volume fraction.

The time required for completion of one pass through the CPLS Reference System was calculated for 600 gpm from knowledge of the volumes, shapes, and mean velocities in the components:

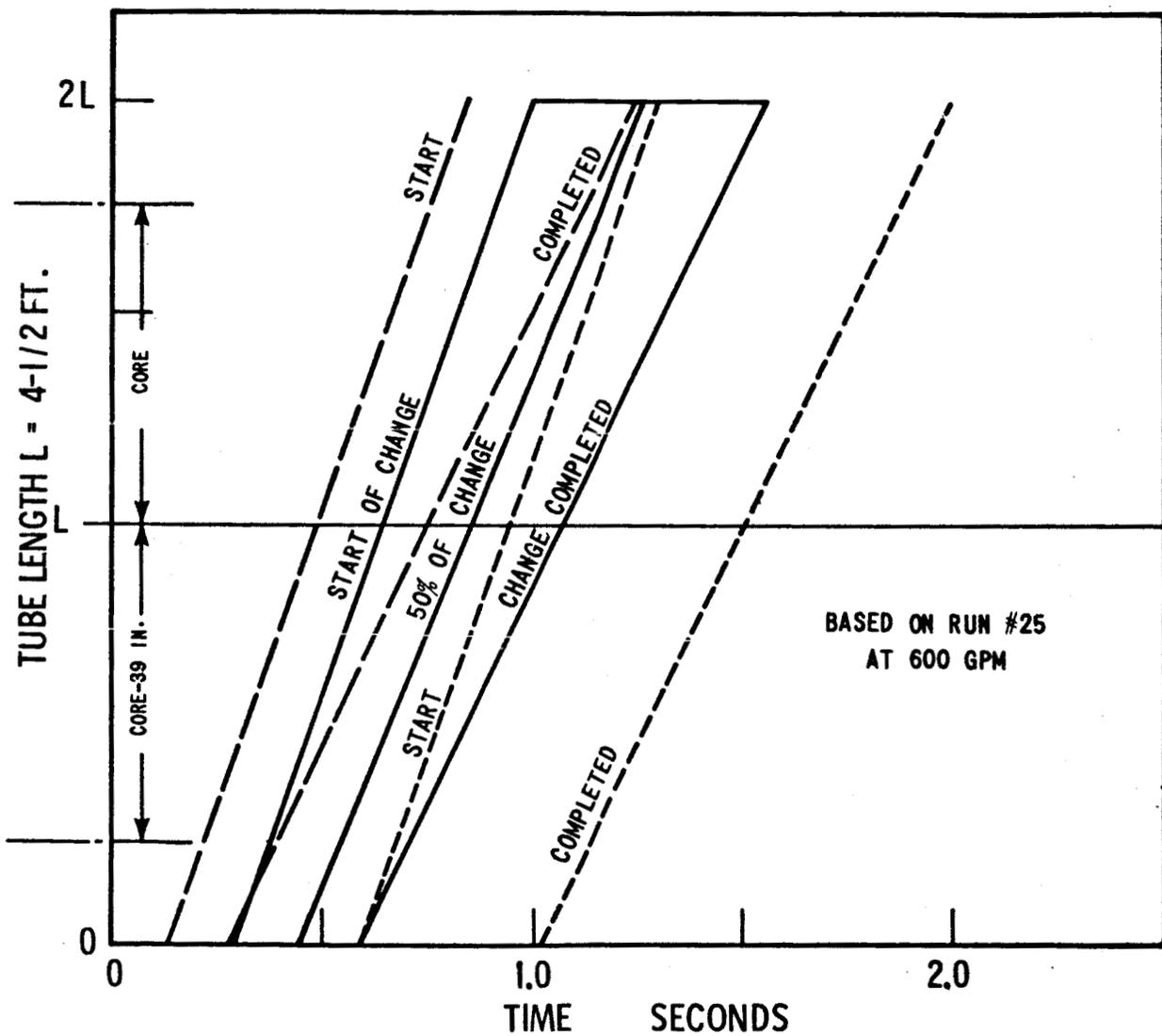
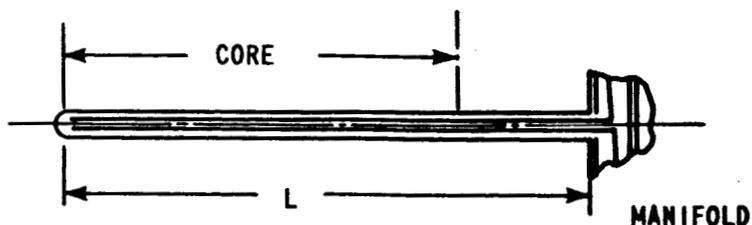
	<u>Volume Gallons</u>	<u>Length Ft.</u>	<u>Mean Velocity Ft/sec</u>	<u>Mean Residence Time Seconds</u>	<u>Approx. Pres. Drop psi</u>
Piping, including pump and valves	3.6	12	23.8	0.366	
Distribution manifold	6.92	-	2.5	1.666*	90
Poison tubes	7.84	4.5	10.7		
Heat exchanger	4.2	3	14	0.214	50
Total Circuit	<u>22.56</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2.246</u>	<u>140</u>
Check	$22.56 \times 60 \text{ sec/min} \div 600 \text{ gpm} = 2.26 \text{ sec.}$				

*From measurements.

Figure V-9 shows that it takes 2.1 seconds for a fixed concentration change throughout the manifold to be completed. If the injection valve remains open a further increase in concentration takes place as the mixing front completes one circuit. But since the total circuit time (about 2.3 seconds) is longer than the time for completion of the concentration change in the manifold, the maximum difference in concentration between tubes that can exist is that at the beginning, when some tubes have completed the first change while others have not yet started to be reached by the concentration increase. Table V-2 shows that for 600 gpm and an injection rate near 0.212 gpm this maximum difference is well below 5% of the loop concentration (Runs 24 and 25); in Run 25 the injection rate was four times the nominal one. This produced a quadruple change in the loop concentration and the visicorder deflection.

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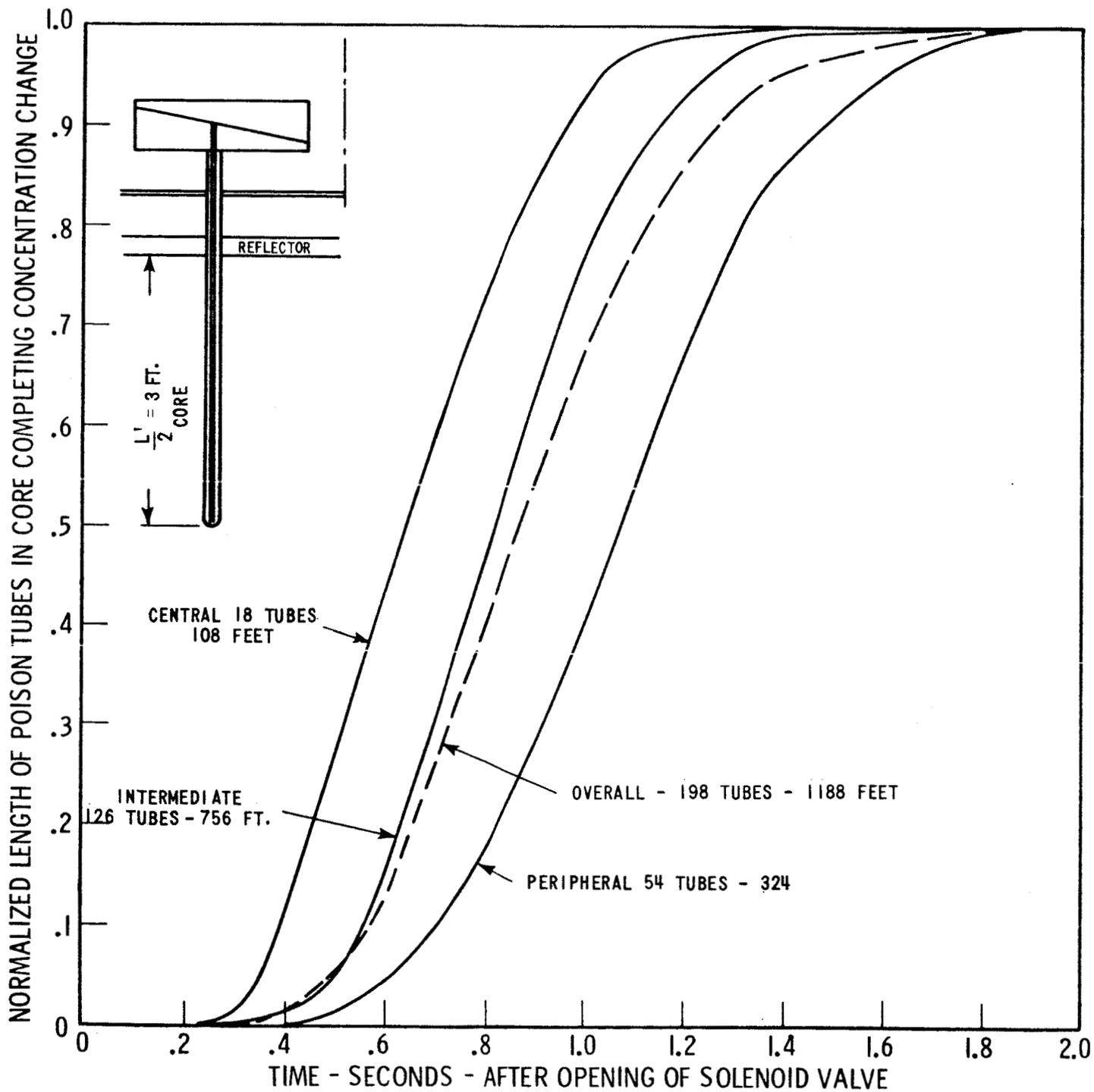
- FIRST TUBE
- AVERAGE TUBE
- LAST TUBE



FROM SOLENOID VALVE OPENING

LOCATION OF CONCENTRATION CHANGE IN TUBES vs. TIME AFTER
SOLENOID VALVE OPENING CONSTANT INJECTION RATE

Figure V-10



EXTENT OF COMPLETION OF CONCENTRATION CHANGE IN THE TUBES INSIDE THE CORE vs. TIME AFTER OPENING OF THE INJECTION VALVE

Figure V-11

Normal concentration change for 0.212 gpm injection rate would have been less than $6.40\% \div 4 = 1.6\%$.

In summary the solution injection tests demonstrated that:

- a. At nominal flow (600 gpm) the injected concentrate will arrive at the top of about 18% of the number of tubes in 0.2 seconds or less (Figure V-6).
- b. Within the range tested the time of arrival is independent of injection rate and injection concentration (Table V-2).
- c. The time for the flow to pass through the manifold-re-entrant tube assembly is inversely proportional to the rate of flow (Figure V-8).
- d. Within the specified rate and concentration ranges of injection the maximum concentration gradient is well below 5% (Table V-2).

APPENDIX A

DIGITAL COMPUTER PROGRAM "MATE"

1. General

The manifold test data reduction code was written to expedite test data conversion to a solution flow distribution array corresponding to the poison tube pattern. The code was also devised to normalize the array and to plot a histogram describing the number of tubes having normalized flow of various magnitudes.

The procedure consisted of taking photographs of the manometer boards and reading the photos by the Benson-Lehner scanner which converted the readings to integers from 1 to 999 punched on IBM cards in a specified array.

The code uses calibration data to convert the punched cards into flow rates in the tubes.

2. Algorithms

$$V(K) = \text{SQRF} ((\text{Press}(J-1) - \text{Press}(J)) * 0.060 * 64.35 * C / \text{RHO}) * .670$$

where $V(K)$ = Flow velocity in tube K

K = Tube Number

J = $2 * K$

Flow (K) = Flow in tube K, in gpm

Press(J) = Static pressure at pitot tube K

Press($J-1$) = Total pressure of pitot tube K

C' = Flow coefficient - Temperature dependent input

RHO = Water density - Temperature dependent input

64.35 = gc'

0.060 = Scale factor for Benson-Lehner scanner

0.0670 = Flow profile factor (avg/max)

$V_{\text{Norm}}(K)$ = $V(K) / (\text{SUM } V / \text{SUM } I)$

where:

VNorm(K) = Normalized flow in tube K

V(K) = Flow velocity in tube K

SUM V = Sum of velocities in tubes 0 to K

SUM I = Number of tubes from 0 to K whose flow rate differs from zero.

3. Input Cards

Card Type 1 Title card, any text in locations 7 to 71
1 in location 72 if title is complete
0 in location 72 if more title cards follow.

Card Type 2 Format (2I3, 6X, F7.2, 8X, A4, 7X, 3I3)
Configuration - two digit integer
Temperature, °F - two digit integer > 64, < 81
Flow, GPM, four digit fixed point No.
Run Number, four digit integer
Date: Month, Day, Year - two digits integer each

Card Type 3 Format (F5.1, 9F6.1)
40 cards with ten three digit integers each
(16.7 times the manometer reading)


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120 IF(P(J))125,125,122
122 IF(P(J-1))125,125,130
125 V(K)=0.0
    GO TO 145
130 DELP(K)=(P(J-1)-P(J))*0.060
    V(K)= SQRTF(DELP(K)*64.35*C/RHU)*0.670
145 CONTINUE
    GO TO 249
150 CONTINUE
    SECOND CONFIGURATION
151 DO 170 M=1,198
    J=2*M
    K=2*M-1
    IF(P(J))155,155,152
152 IF(P(J-1))155,155,160
155 V(K)=0.0
    GO TO 170
160 DELP(M)=(P(J-1)-P(J))*0.060
    V(J)=0
    V(K)=SQRTF(DELP(M)*64.35*C/RHU) *0.670
170 CONTINUE
    GO TO 249
200 CONTINUE
    THIRD CONFIGURATION
202 GO TO 249
249 CONTINUE
250 SUMV=0
    I=0
251 DO 256 K=1,198
252 IF(V(K))255,256,255
    SUMV=SUMV+V(K)
    I=I+1
256 SUMI=I
    CONTINUE
257 VAVG = SUMV/SUMI
260 DO 275 K=1,198
262 IF(V(K))262,262,270
    VNORM(K)=0.0
    GO TO 275
270 VNORM(K) = V(K)/VAVG
275 CONTINUE
    GO TO 295
295 CONTINUE
MATE 80
MATE 81
MATE 82
MATE 83
MATE 84
MATE 85
MATE 86
MATE 87
MATE 88
MATE 891
MATE89
MATE 90
MATE 901
MATE 91
MATE 92
MATE 93
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MATE 951
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MATE122
MATE123
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MATE125
MATE126
MATE127
MATE128
MATE129

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465	WUT 6, 1130	MATE325	NON-STANDARD
	GO TO 499	MATE326	
466	WUT 6, 1135	MATE327	NON-STANDARD
	GO TO 499	MATE328	
467	WUT 6, 1140	MATE329	NON-STANDARD
	GO TO 499	MATE330	
468	WUT 6, 1145	MATE331	NON-STANDARD
	GO TO 499	MATE332	
469	WUT 6, 1150	MATE333	NON-STANDARD
	GO TO 499	MATE334	
470	WUT 6, 1155	MATE335	NON-STANDARD
	GO TO 499	MATE336	
471	WUT 6, 1160	MATE337	NON-STANDARD
	GO TO 499	MATE338	
472	WUT 6, 1165	MATE339	NON-STANDARD
	GO TO 499	MATE340	
473	WUT 6, 1170	MATE341	NON-STANDARD
	GO TO 499	MATE342	
474	WUT 6, 1175	MATE343	NON-STANDARD
	GO TO 499	MATE344	
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	GO TO 499	MATE346	
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	GO TO 499	MATE348	
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	GO TO 499	MATE350	
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	GO TO 499	MATE352	
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	GO TO 499	MATE362	
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	GO TO 499	MATE364	
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		1275	MATE383	
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499		1280	MATE385	
500		SUZY=ANET	MATE386	
		CONTINUE	MATE387	
		1002	MATE388	
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7		630,640,650),K	MATE3981	
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602		M=(K-100)	MATE3983	
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620	GO TO 800	MATE407	NON STANDARD
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630	GO TO 800	MATE409	NON STANDARD
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	A=0.8382	MATE412	NON STANDARD
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	A=0.8039	MATE414	NON STANDARD
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	CONTINUE	MATE416	NON STANDARD
801	VW(K)=VNORM(K)*A	MATE417	NON STANDARD
803	WUT 6, 1055	MATE418	NON STANDARD
804	WUT 6, 1002	MATE419	NON STANDARD
805	WUT 6, 1100	MATE420	NON STANDARD
1100	FORMAT (40H0 EFFECTIVE NORMALIZED FLOW DISTRIBUTION)	MATE421	NON STANDARD
802	CONTINUE	MATE422	NON STANDARD
	WUT 6, 1002	MATE4221	NON STANDARD
860	WUT 6, 361, (VW(K), K=1,4)	MATE423	NON STANDARD
	WUT 6, 362, (VW(K), K=5,10)	MATE424	NON STANDARD
	WUT 6, 363, (VW(K), K=11,18)	MATE425	NON STANDARD
	WUT 6, 364, (VW(K), K=19,28)	MATE426	NON STANDARD
	WUT 6, 365, (VW(K), K=29,38)	MATE427	NON STANDARD
	WUT 6, 366, (VW(K), K=39,48)	MATE428	NON STANDARD
	WUT 6, 367, (VW(K), K=49,60)	MATE429	NON STANDARD
	WUT 6, 368, (VW(K), K=61,72)	MATE430	NON STANDARD
	WUT 6, 369, (VW(K), K=73,84)	MATE431	NON STANDARD
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	WUT 6, 371, (VW(K), K=95,104)	MATE433	NON STANDARD
	WUT 6, 372, (VW(K), K=105,114)	MATE434	NON STANDARD
	WUT 6, 373, (VW(K), K=115,126)	MATE435	NON STANDARD
	WUT 6, 374, (VW(K), K=127,138)	MATE436	NON STANDARD
	WUT 6, 375, (VW(K), K=139,150)	MATE437	NON STANDARD
	WUT 6, 376, (VW(K), K=151,160)	MATE438	NON STANDARD
	WUT 6, 377, (VW(K), K=161,170)	MATE439	NON STANDARD
	WUT 6, 378, (VW(K), K=171,180)	MATE440	NON STANDARD
	WUT 6, 379, (VW(K), K=181,188)	MATE441	NON STANDARD
	WUT 6, 380, (VW(K), K=189,194)	MATE44	NON STANDARD
	WUT 6, 381, (VW(K), K=195,198)	MATE443	NON STANDARD
	WUT 6, 1050	MATE444	NON STANDARD
861	WUT 6, 383	MATE4441	NON STANDARD
886	WUT 6, 1002	MATE445	NON STANDARD
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	WUT 6, 1002	MATE447	NON STANDARD

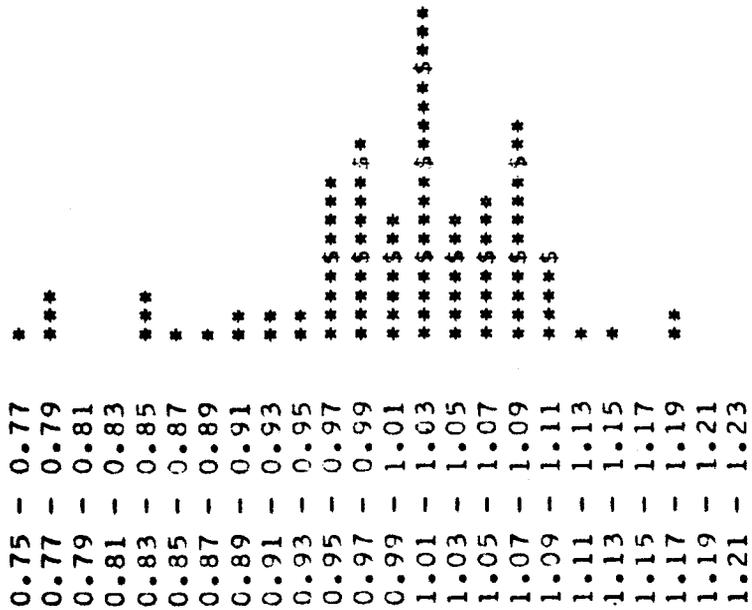
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888 WUT 6,1050
889 WOT 6, 384
890 CONTINUE
900 GO TO 10
END

MATE4473 ION-STANDARD
MATE4481 ION-STANDARD
MATE4448
MATE4449

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***** FLOW HISTOGRAM *****

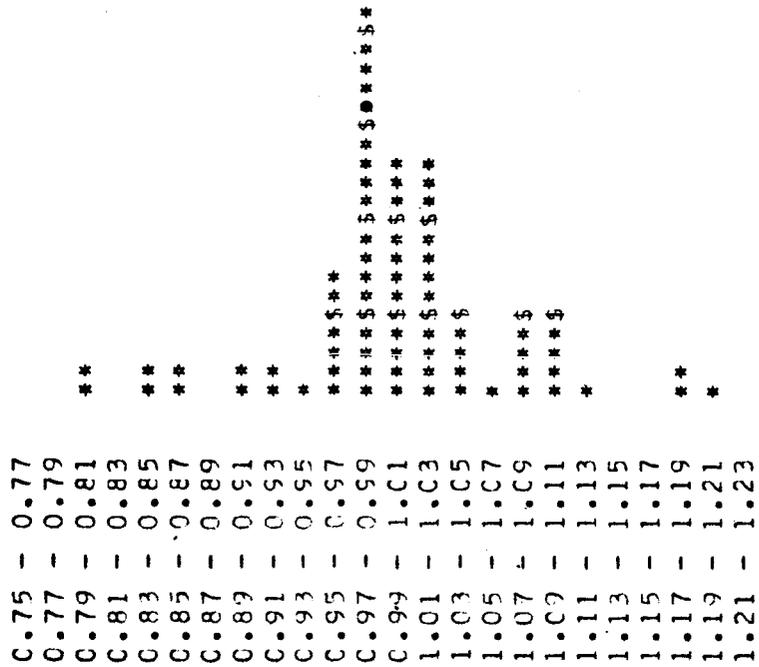


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Figure 4
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***** FLOW HISTOGRAM *****



NCON = 1 NTEMP = 80 FLOW = 602.0 NRUN = 12 DATE 7 7 6,

Figure 6

MANIFOLD DATA REDUCTION, F.C.ENGEL,APD

TUBE VELOCITY DISTRIBUTION, NORMALIZED

1.07	1.05	+ 1.07	1.03	+ 0.99	1.20	1.03	1.07	+ 1.09	0.80	+ 0.	0.61	15
0.87	C.92	1.09	+ 1.13	1.11	0.	1.03	0.97	1.07	+ 1.09	0.77	1.07	14
1.11	1.09	+ 0.	1.07	1.01	0.95	1.07	1.03	0.	1.03	+ 1.03	1.0	13
0.87	C.97	C.99	+ 1.07	1.03			1.30	1.03	+ 1.09	0.80	1.1	12
1.07	C.94	+ 0.65	C.99	* 0.97			0.85	0.85	0.92	+ 0.	1.13	** 11
0.	C.	C.	+ C.	0.			0.	0.	+ 0.	0.	0.	10
C.	C.	+ C.	0.	0.			C.	0.	0.	+ 0.	0.	09
0.	C.	0.	+ C.	0.			C.	0.	0.	+ C.	0.	08
C.	C.	+ 0.	C.	+ 0.			C.	0.	0.	+ 0.	0.	07
C.	1.07	0.	+ C.	C.	+ 0.		C.	+ 0.	0.	+ 1.09	0.	06
C.	C.	0.	0.	+ 0.			C.	0.	0.	0.	0.	C5
C.	0.	C.99	0.	0.			C.	0.87	0.	C.	C.	C4
C.	0.	C.	0.	0.			C.	0.	0.	0.	0.	C3
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Figure 7
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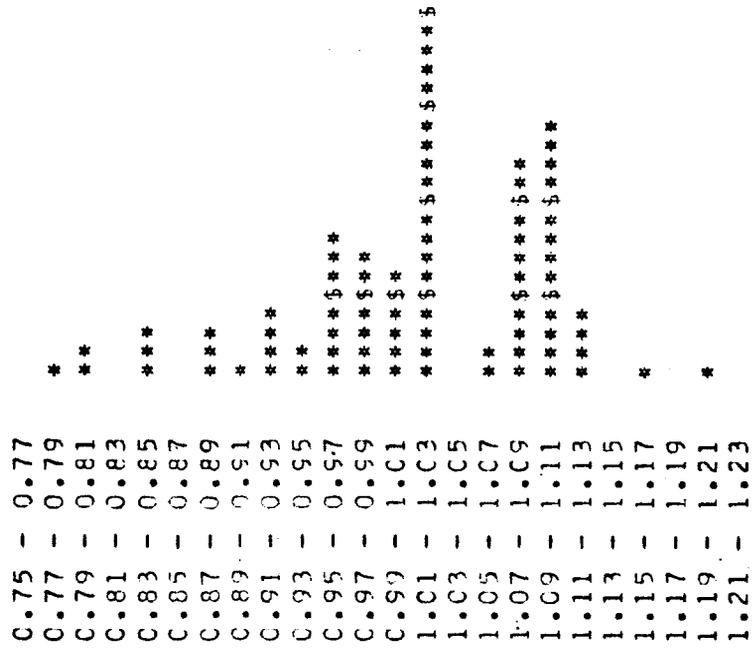
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NCON = 1 NTEMP = 8C FLOW = 70.0 NRUN = 13 DATE 7 7 65

* INLET ** CUTLET + TIE BCLT

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***** FLCH HISTOGRAM *****

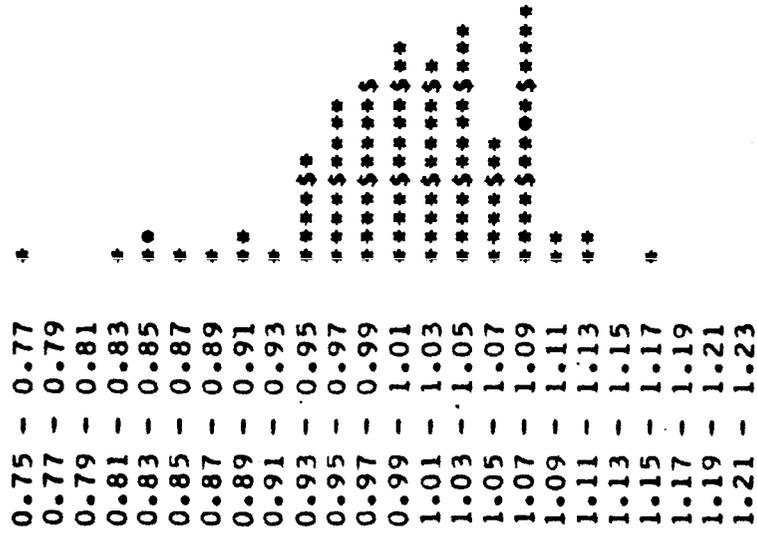


NCON = 1 NTEMP = 80 FLOW = 70.C NRUN = 13 DATE 7 7 65

Figure 8

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***** FLOW HISTOGRAM *****



NCON = 1 NTEMP = 80 FLOW = 310.0 NRUN = 15 DATE 7 15 65

Figure 10

APPENDIX B

CAVITATION IN INLET ELBOWS

During the preliminary flow distribution tests the flow cavitated in the inlet and outlet short radius elbows. This manifested itself by a surging noise in the flow of about one cycle per second frequency and considerable vibration of the model. At 300 gpm the cavitation could be nearly suppressed by raising the back (outlet) pressure to 15 psi. At 450 gpm it continued full force with 10 psi back pressure. Observations with the help of a stethoscope pinpointed the source of the noise to be located at the centers (45°) of the two 90° inlet PVC elbows. These plastic (PVC) elbows were installed to give greater resiliency and thus prevent cracking of the glued joint at the model inlet. The inlet elbows were replaced by long radius schedule 10 stainless steel elbows, which had been proposed earlier for the reference design. The outlet elbows were replaced by a straight pipe connection.

It had been assumed that the PVC elbows were of standard short radius schedule 40 dimensions. However it turned out on disassembly that their inside bend radius was practically zero, i.e. a sharp corner.

Assuming a radius of $1/32$ inch and a flow profile approaching that of a free Vortex/5 ($V_{\Delta P} = \text{constant}$) it could be calculated for the case of the elbow with a shrap inside turning radius, using the expressions and curve of TMB 575/6, that water, fairly well saturated with air because of the free interface in the supply tank, would have a static pressure well below the vapor pressure. Thus steady state cavitations should be expected. For the long radius elbows the static pressure was estimated by the same method to be 15 psi above vapor pressure so that there should be no cavitation. For the standard schedule 40 short radius elbow the static pressure was estimated to be 10 psi above vapor pressure. Here again no cavitation would be expected.

The same results were obtained by the use of the equation of the velocity profile in a bend contained in the paper of W. A. Marris,/7

$$p = \frac{V_m^2}{\log_e \frac{R_o}{R_i}} \times \frac{d^2}{\left[\frac{1}{R_i^2} - \frac{1}{(R_i + x)^2} \right]}$$

where: p = static pressure at location x

R_i = inside radius of bend

R_o = outside radius of bend

d = width of channel = $R_o - R_i$

x = radial distance of location from the inside boundary

r = $R + x$ = radial distance to the location under consideration

V_m = spatial mean value of the mean traverse velocity over the channel width

APPENDIX C

DERIVATION AND USE OF MIXING LENGTH

from F. Sjenitzer - The Pipe Line engineer 1958)⁴

K = effective axial diffusivity, $m^2 \text{ sec}^{-1}$

a = pipe radius, m

$V = \frac{L}{t}$ = mean velocity in pipe, $m \text{ sec}^{-1}$

L = pipe length, m

t = time for passage through pipe, sec

s = length of pipe containing contaminated liquid, m

y = fractional purity at either end of mixing zone

ν = kinematic viscosity of SO/SO mixture, $m^2 \text{ sec}^{-1}$

γ = fanning friction factor

G. I. Taylor found that the ratio $\frac{K}{aV}$ depend solely on the fanning friction factor

$$\frac{K}{aV} = 10.1 \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}\gamma} - 7.15 \gamma^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

then $s = 4 \sqrt{Kt} \text{erf}^{-1} (2g-1)$

From test data:

$$\frac{K}{aV} = c \gamma^n \left(\frac{L}{a}\right)^m$$

where $c = 2.4 \times 10^7$

$n = 3.6$

$m = 0.141$

Combining and rearranging gives

$$S = 1.96 \times 10^4 \left(\frac{L}{a}\right)^{0.07} \sqrt{aL} - \gamma^{1.8} \operatorname{erf}(2\gamma - 1)$$

For inner poison tube

$$L = 4.5 \text{ ft}$$

$$a = \frac{0.340}{2} \text{ in.}$$

$$U = 10.7 \text{ ft/sec}$$

$$\gamma = 0.0060$$

$$\operatorname{erf}(2\gamma - 1) = \operatorname{erf}(0.99) = 1.640$$

Total mixing length $S = 1.30 \text{ ft}$

$$\text{Forward diffusion} = \frac{S}{2} = 0.65 \text{ ft}$$

$$0.65 \text{ ft} / 10.7 \text{ ft/sec} = 0.061 \text{ sec forward diffusion time}$$

To obtain poison arrival at the top of the tubes find
from test data:

- (1) time after injection for first arrival of poison at bottom
- (2) time for completion of concentration change at bottom
- (3) the mean of 1 and 2, i.e. the time for the front to arrive at bottom of tube.
- (4) transient time through tube; at 600 gpm $4.5 \text{ ft} \div 10.7 \text{ ft} + \text{sec}$
 $= 0.42 \text{ sec.}$
- (5) forward diffusion length at top of tube
 $= \text{forward diffusion length at bottom minus change of diffusion length in tube}$

$$\frac{s}{2} = \frac{(1) - (2)}{2} = 0.61 \text{ seconds at } 10.7 \text{ ft/sec}$$

(6) time for arrival at the top of the tubes equals
arrival of the front at the bottom of the tube minus
transit time through tube minus forward diffusion length.

For 600 gpm this is:

$$\frac{(1) + (2)}{2} = 0.42 - \left(\frac{(1) - (2)}{2} = 0.61 \right)$$

APPENDIX D

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