

Chapter 8

Material Characterization

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Purpose:

- to understand material behavior
- construction control
- material properties for design($h = f(\text{material})$)
- pavement evaluation
- establish failure criteria

Types of tests:

- Arbitrary: CBR, Stability....
- Fundamental: Triaxial, Diametral...
- Full Scale: AASHTO road test, ...

Requirement:

- establish properties: Test....
- Failure criteria: Fatigue, rutting, deformation, serviceability...

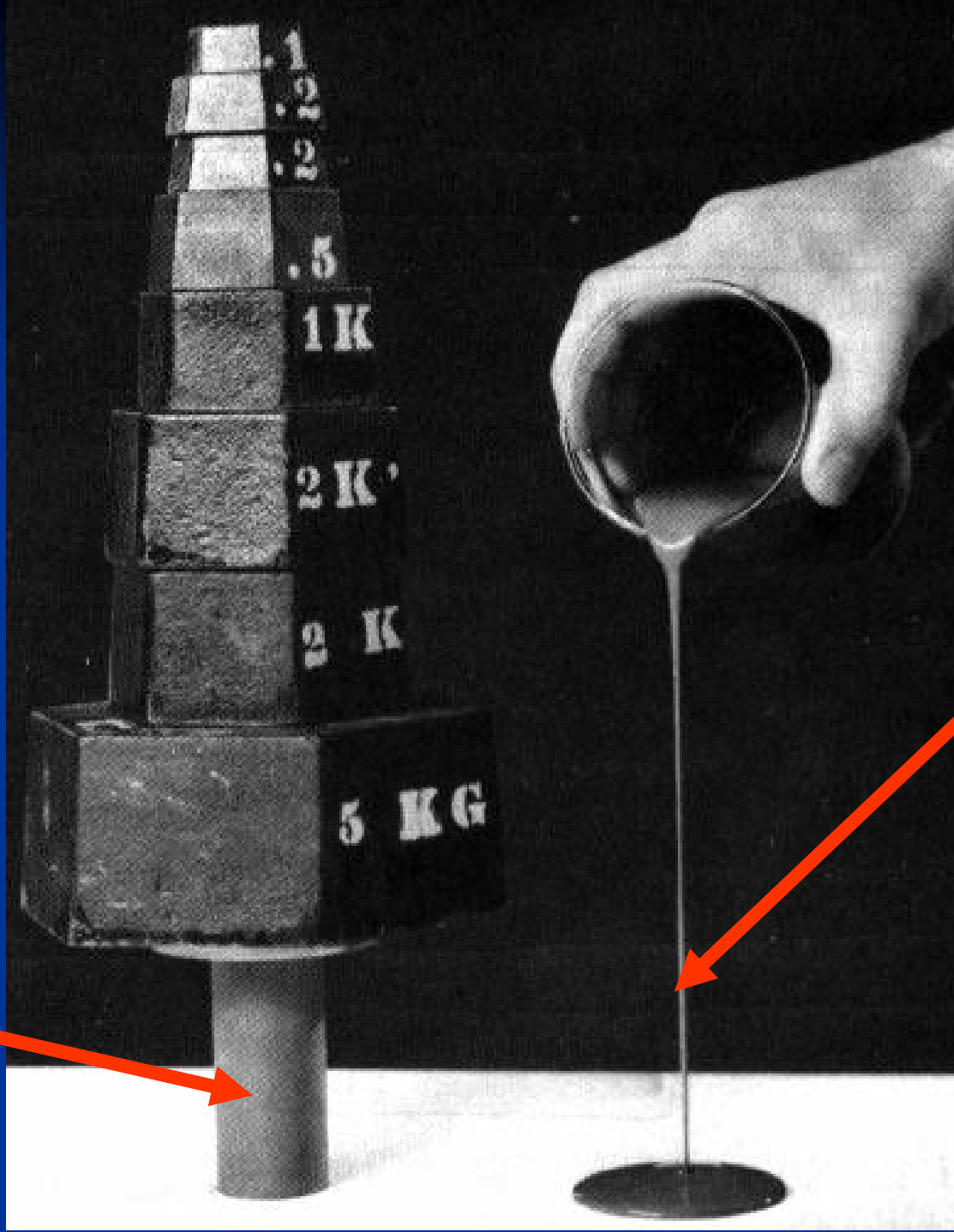
Material Testing

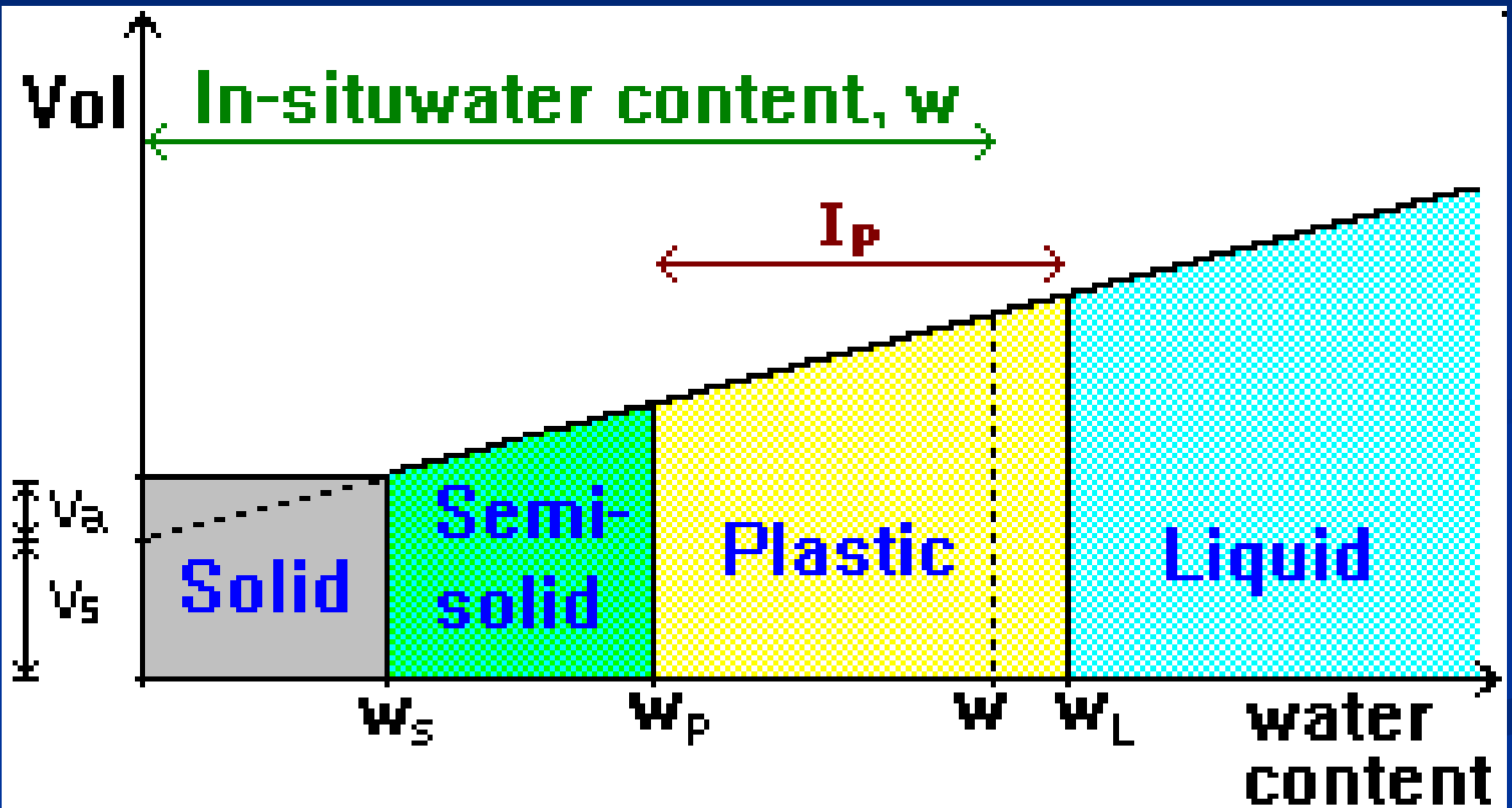
soils and granular materials:

- soil classification
- subgrade support (**plate bearing, k**)
- California bearing ratio (**CBR**)
- Static triaxial test (**ϕ , angle of internal friction, C, cohesion and τ , shear**)
- Dynamic triaxial test (**permanent deformation, resilient modulus (M_r) for fine and coarse materials and poisons ratio (μ)**)

Bituminous materials testing:

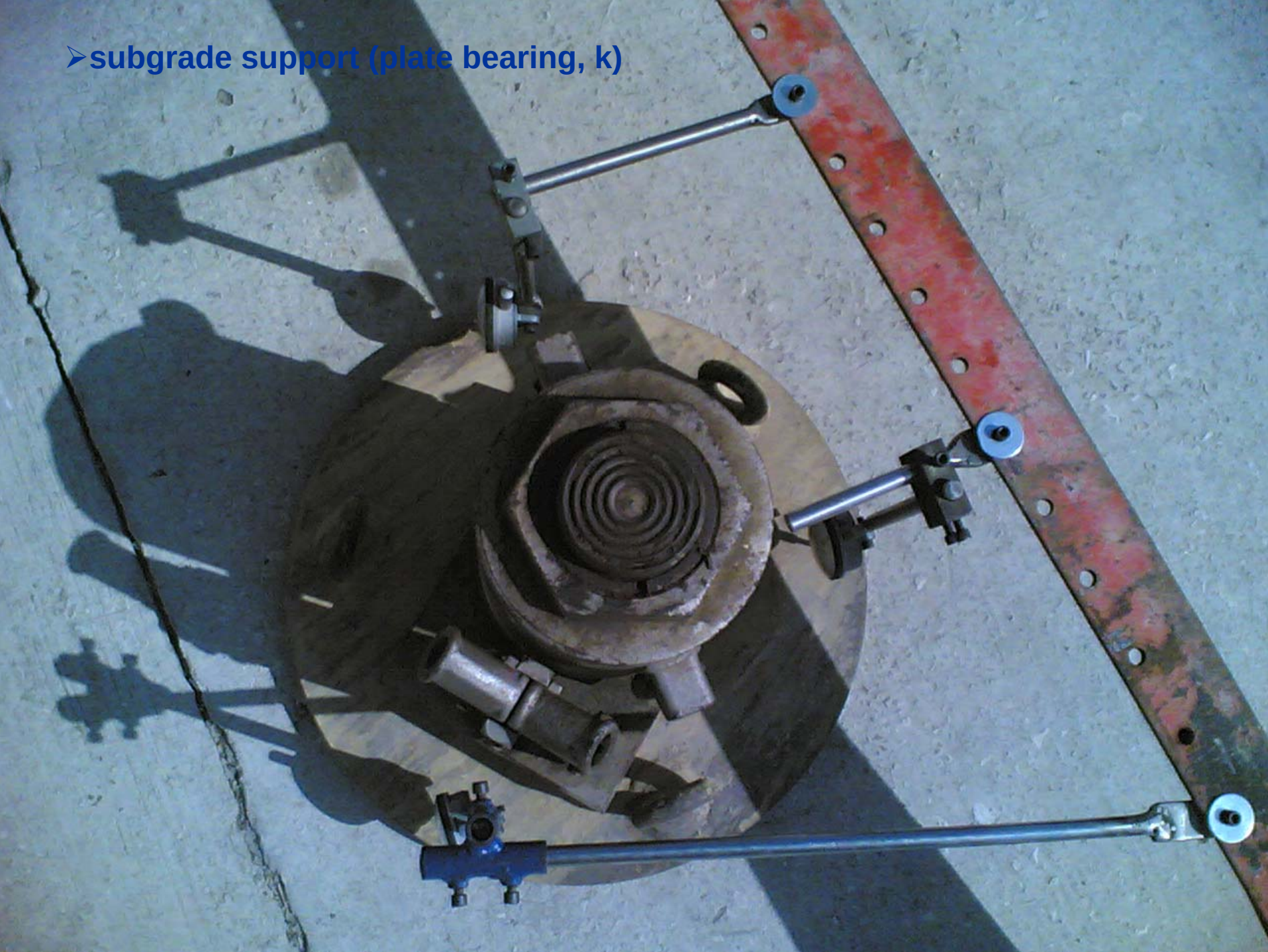
- ☐ Marshall test
- ☐ SuperPave
- ☐ Modulus of rupture, **MR**
- ☐ indirect tensile test, **ITS or σ_T**
- ☐ Diametral test, **resilient modulus, M_r**
- ☐ Dynamic triaxial, **resilient modulus, M_r , poisons ratio (μ) and permanent deformation**
- ☐ complex dynamic modulus, **E^***







➤ subgrade support (plate bearing, k)

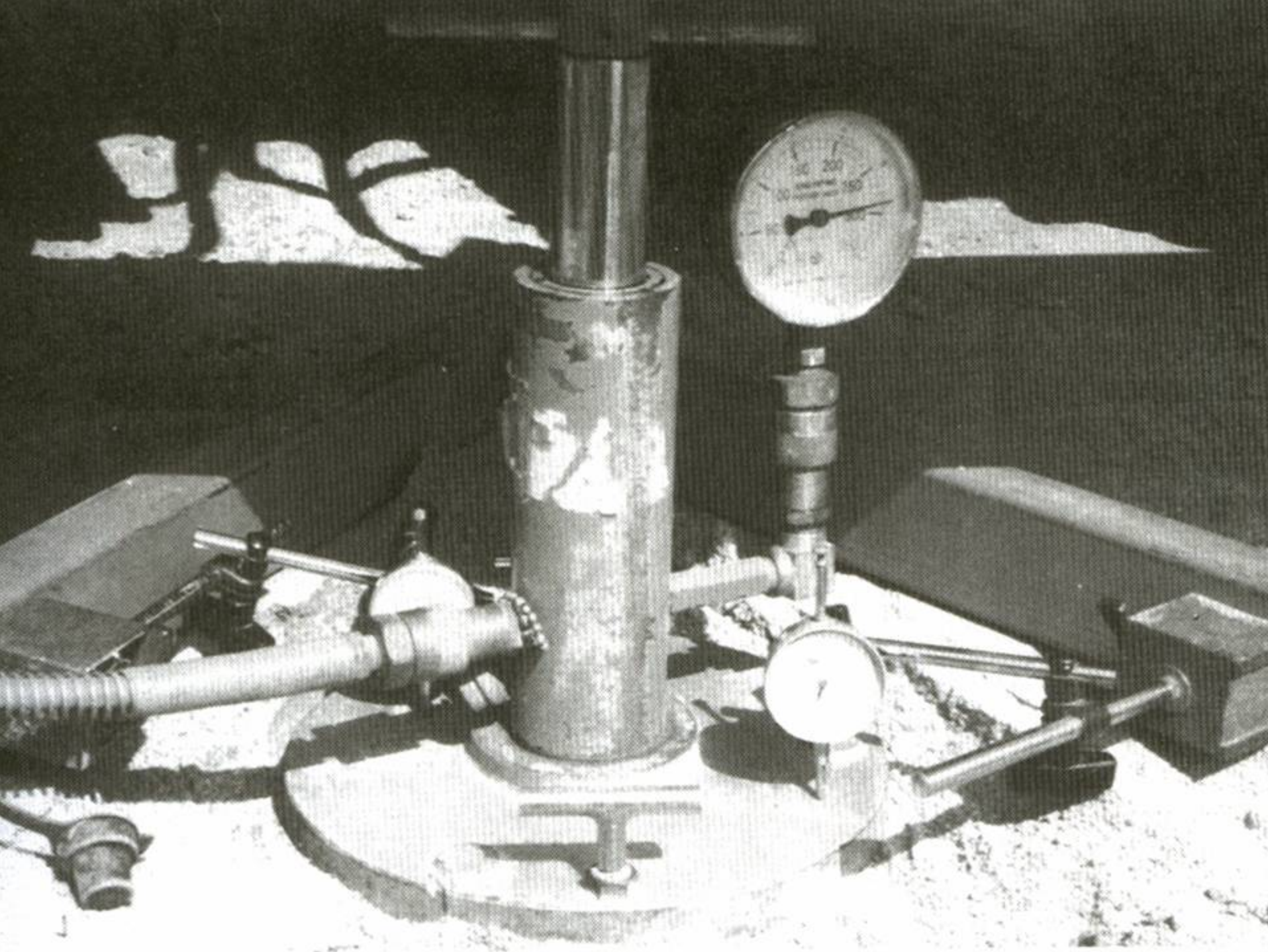




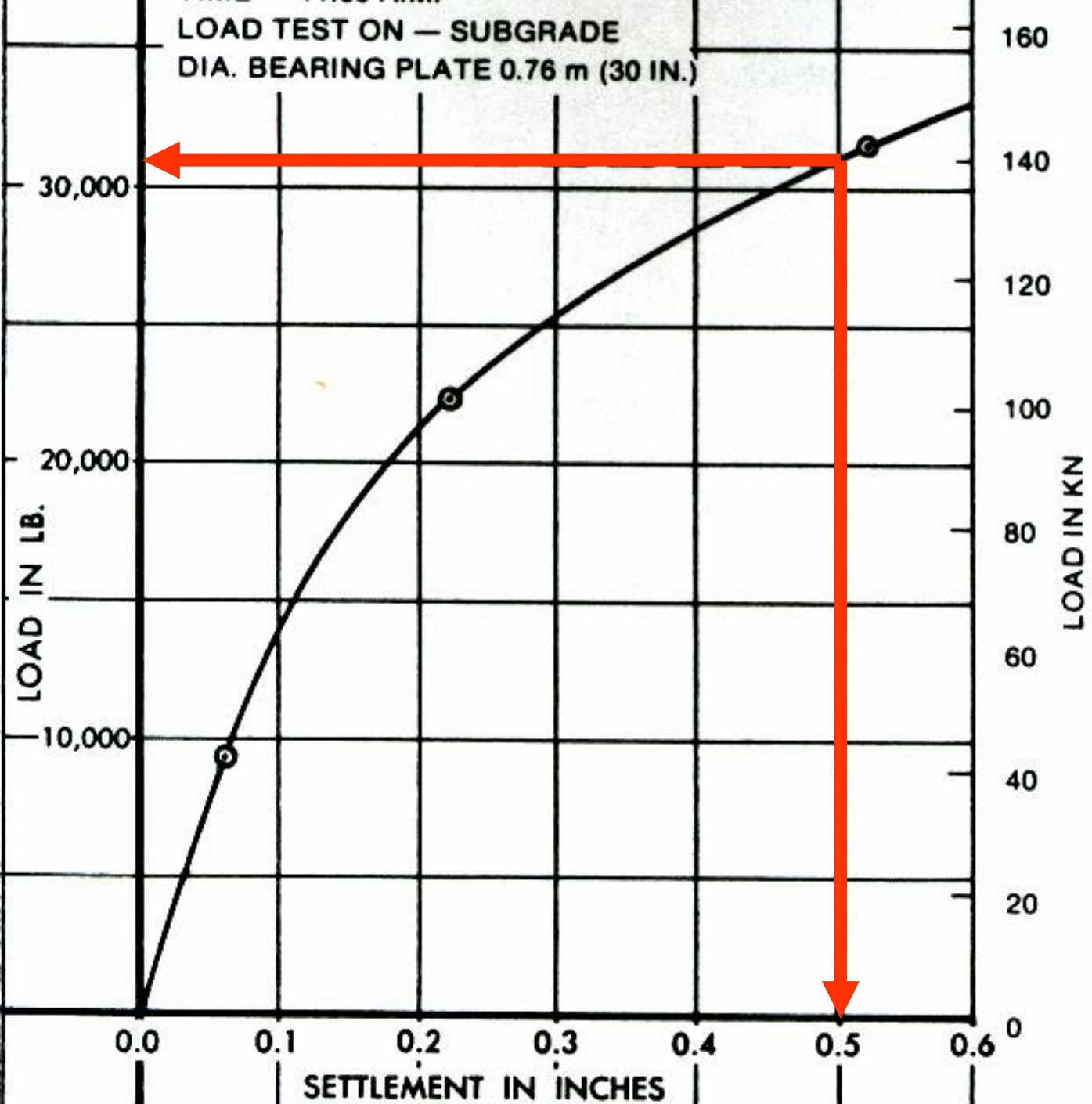




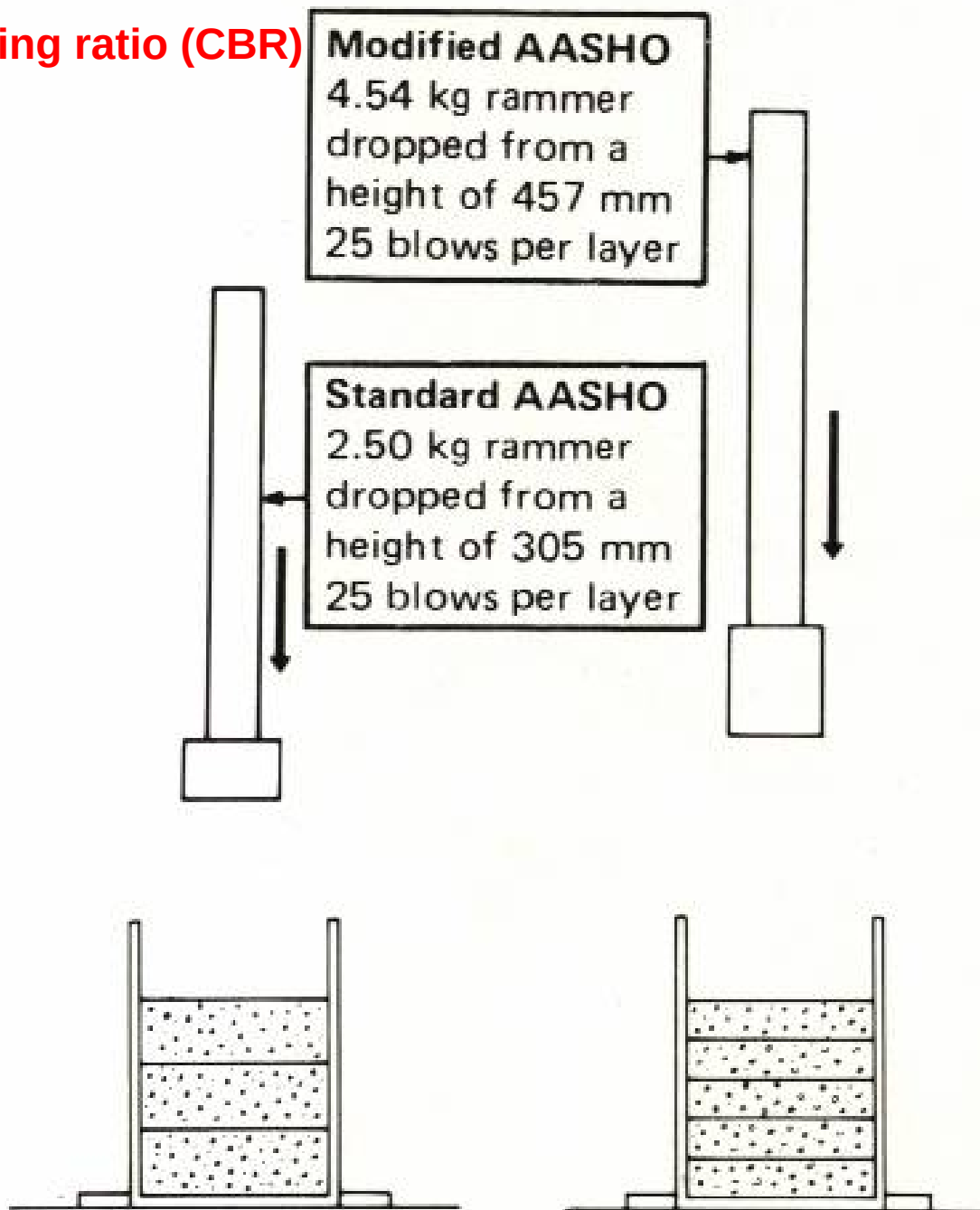




LOAD TEST ON — SUBGRADE
DIA. BEARING PLATE 0.76 m (30 IN.)



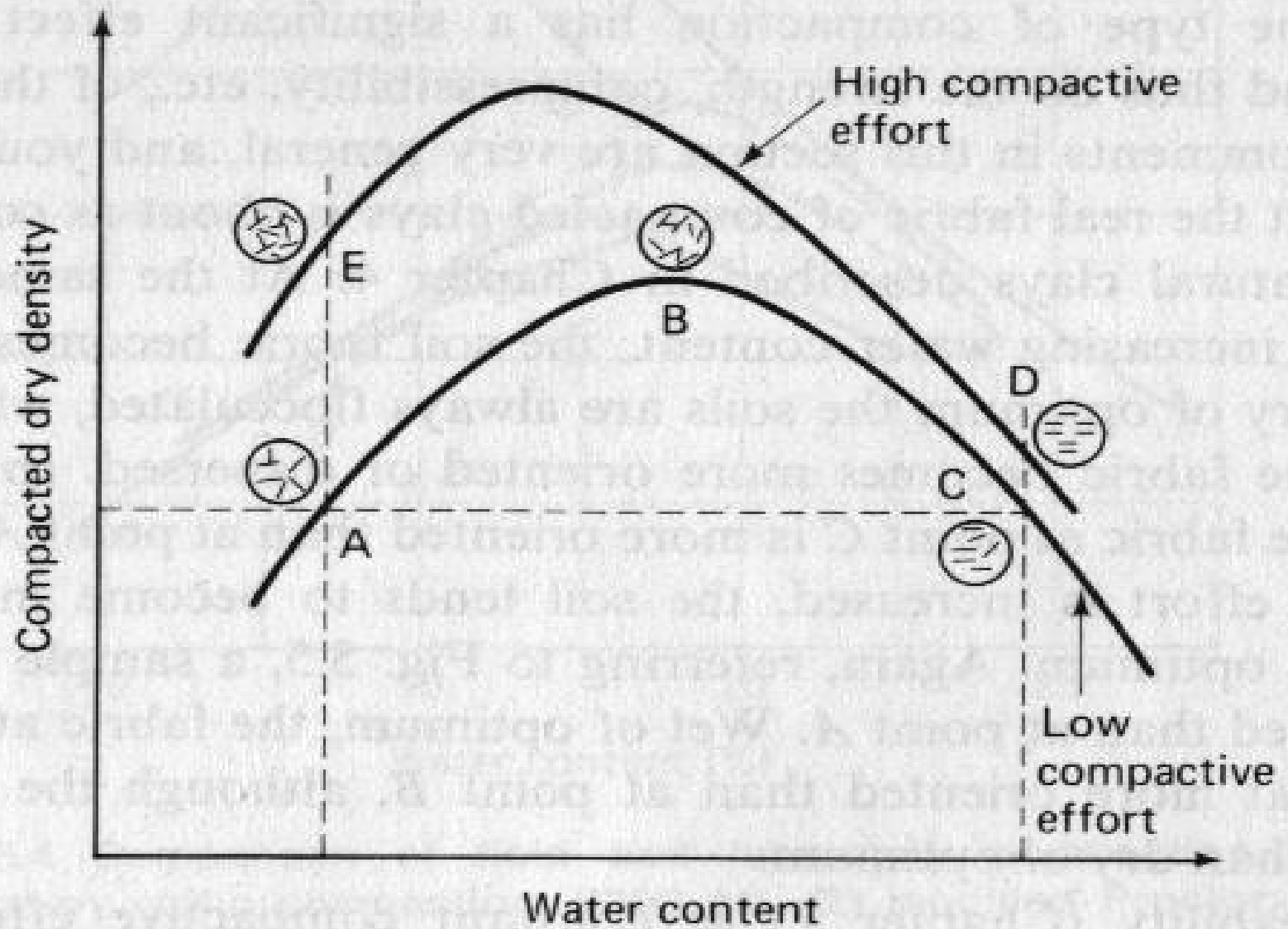
California bearing ratio (CBR)

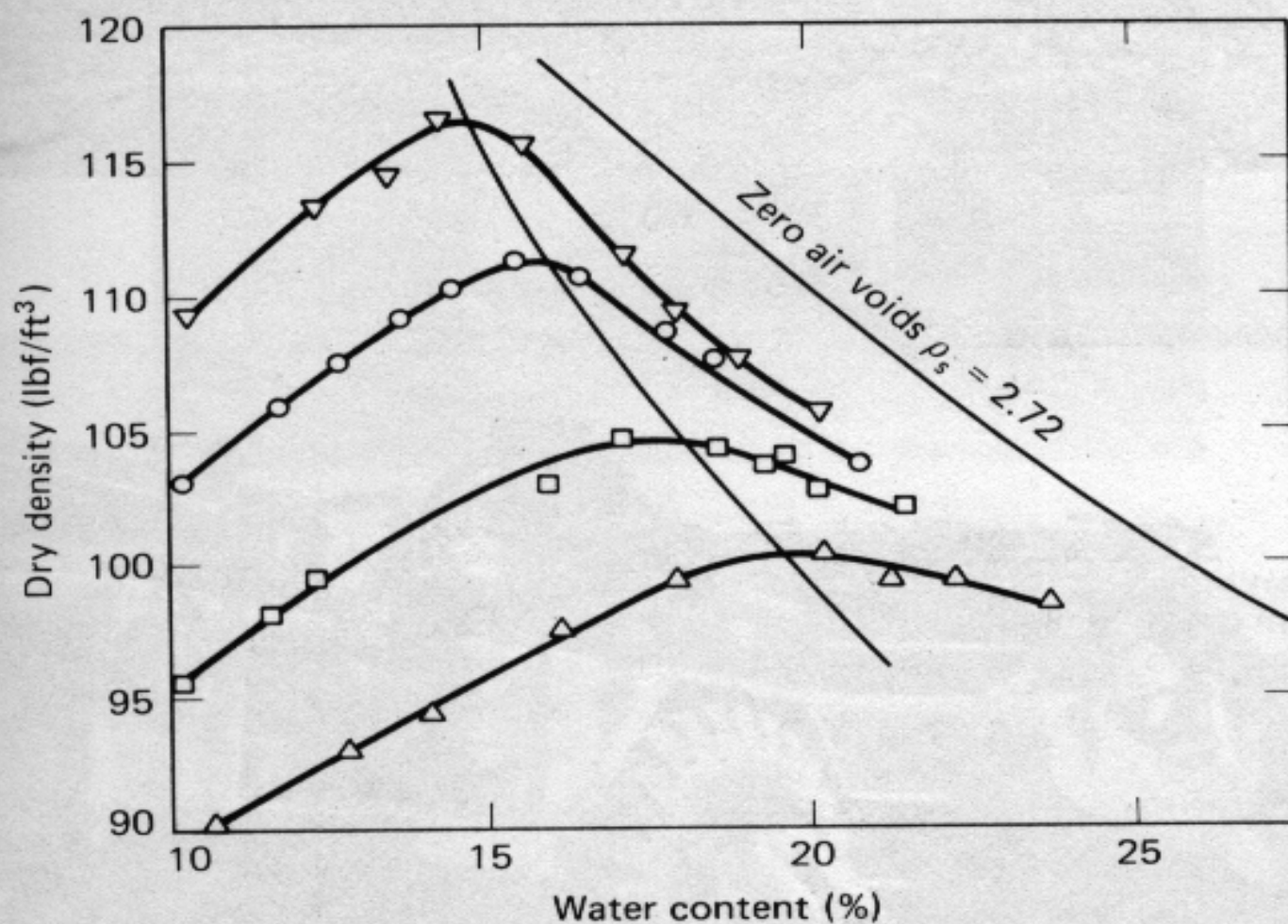












Legend

- ▽ 55 blows per layer
- 26 blows per layer
- 12 blows per layer
- △ 6 blows per layer

Note: 10 lb hammer, 18" drop
(modified Proctor)















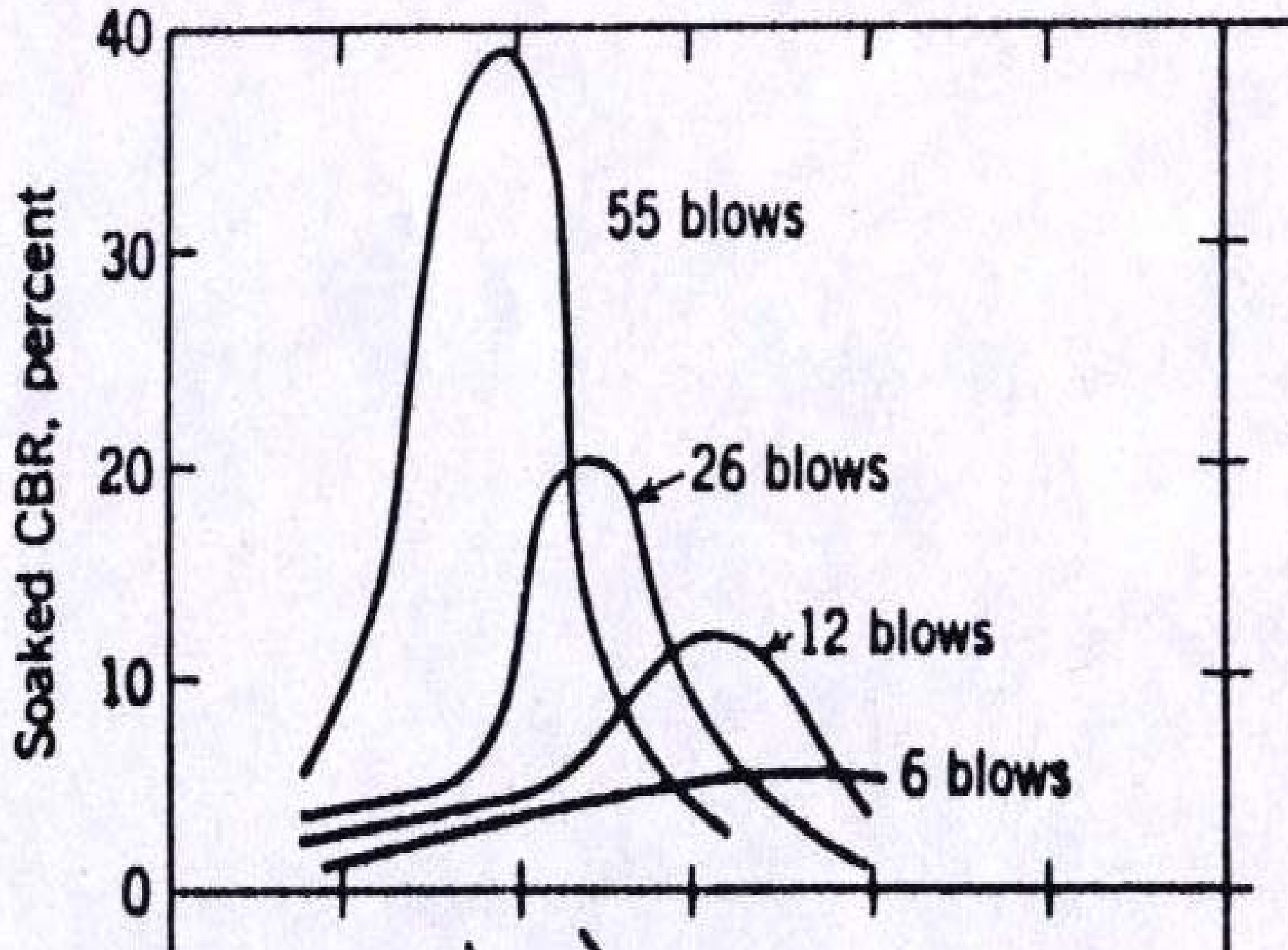
4-Days

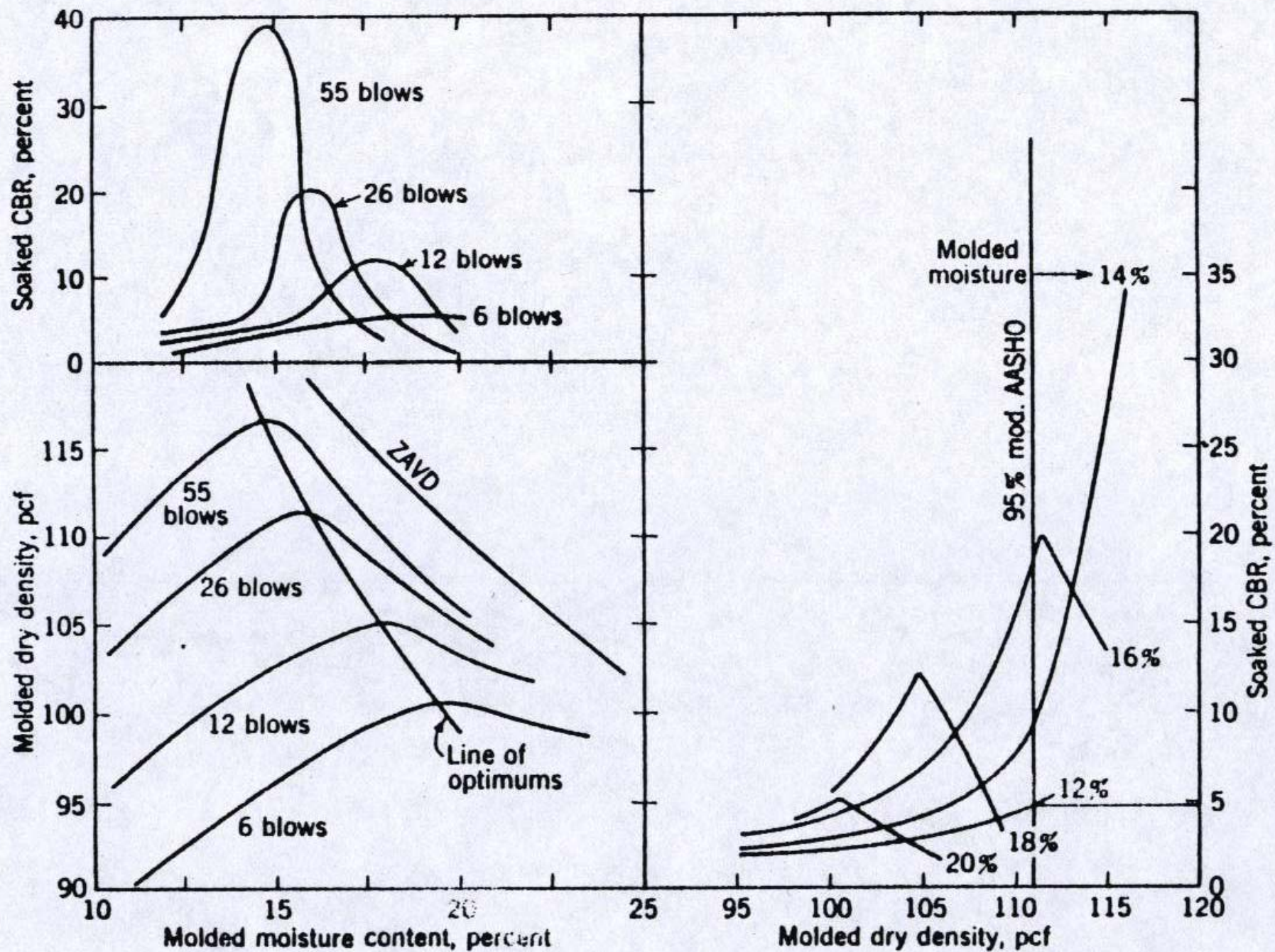


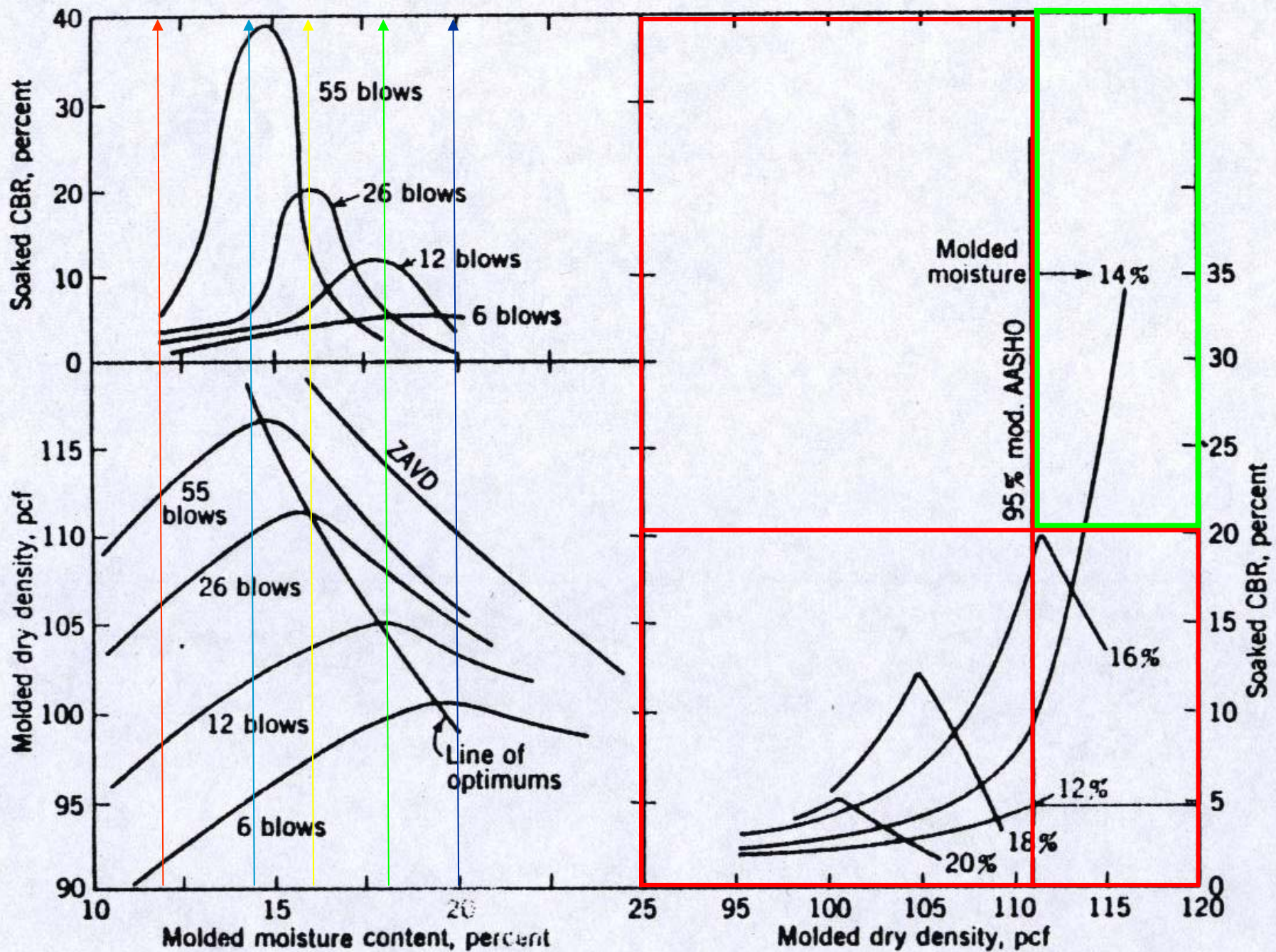


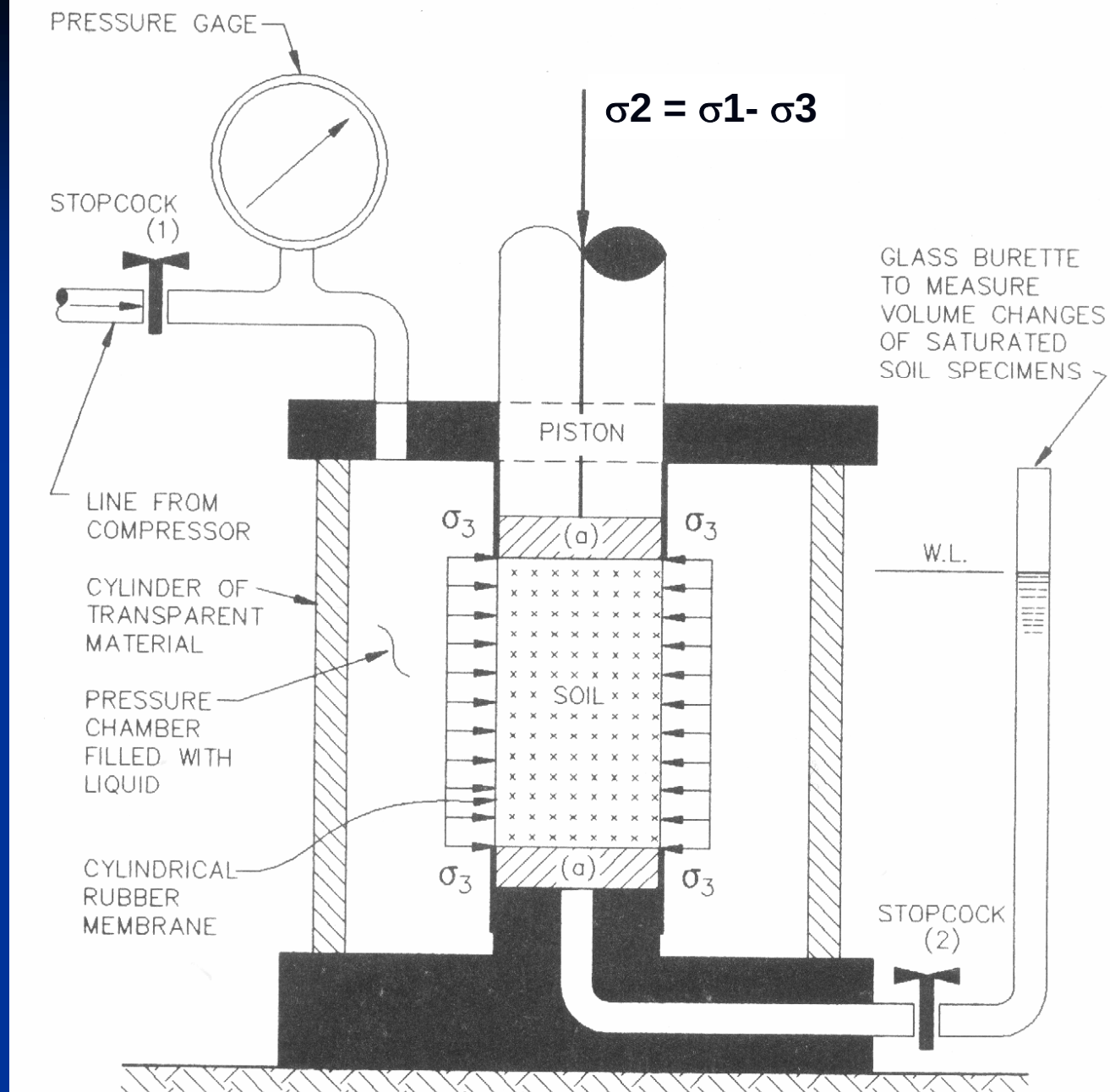
$$CRR = \left[\frac{\text{unit load at 0.1 or 0.2 penetration}}{\text{unit load at 0.1 or 0.2 penetration of standard material}} \right] \times 100$$







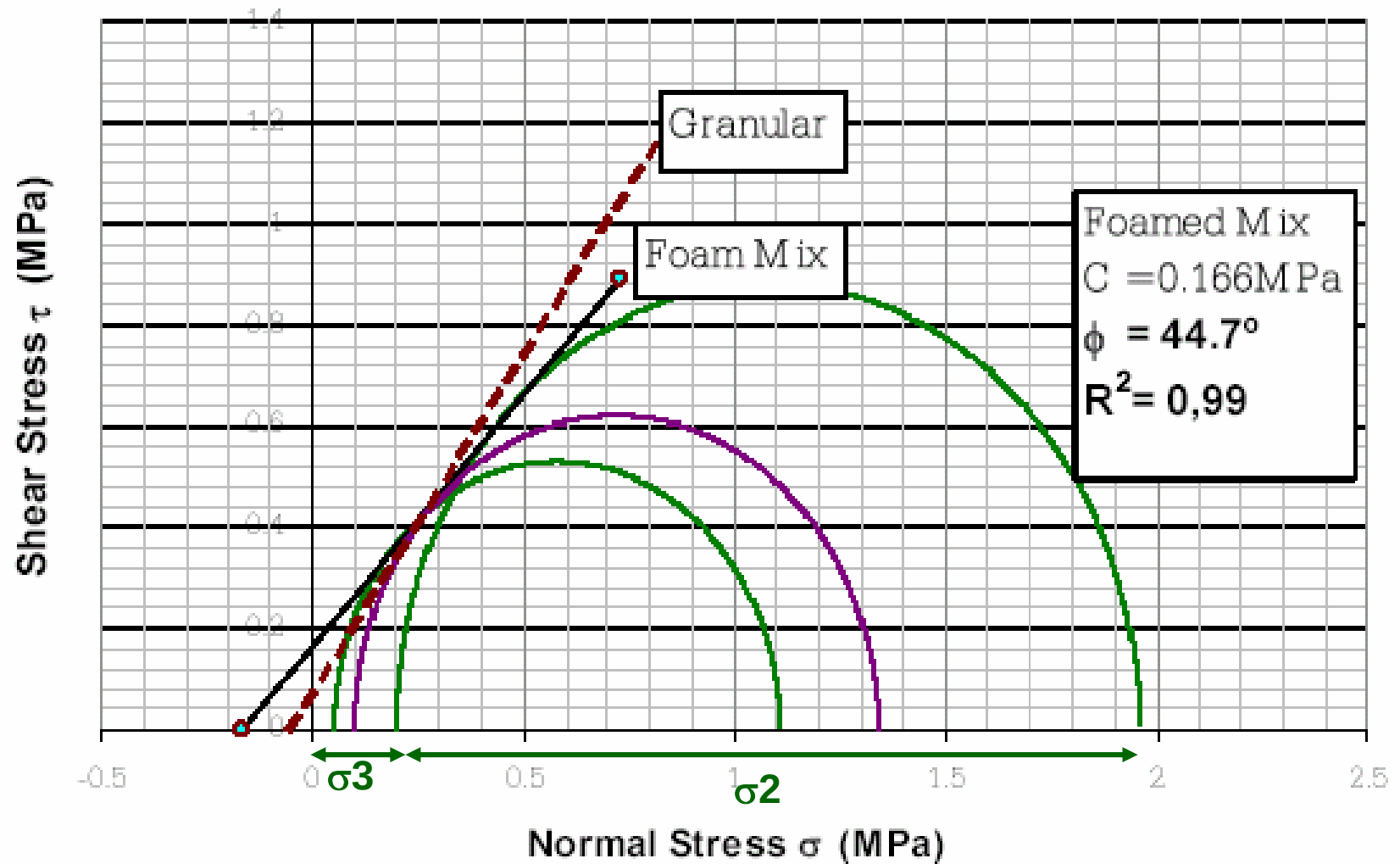




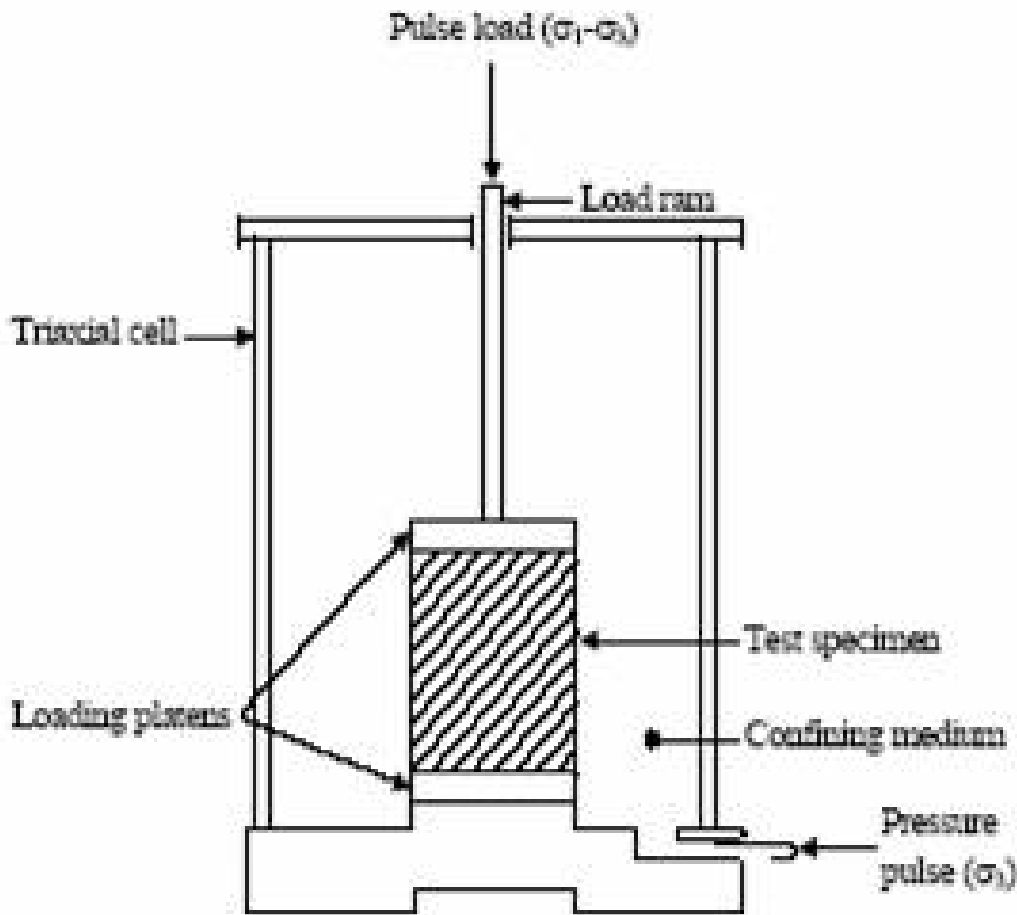
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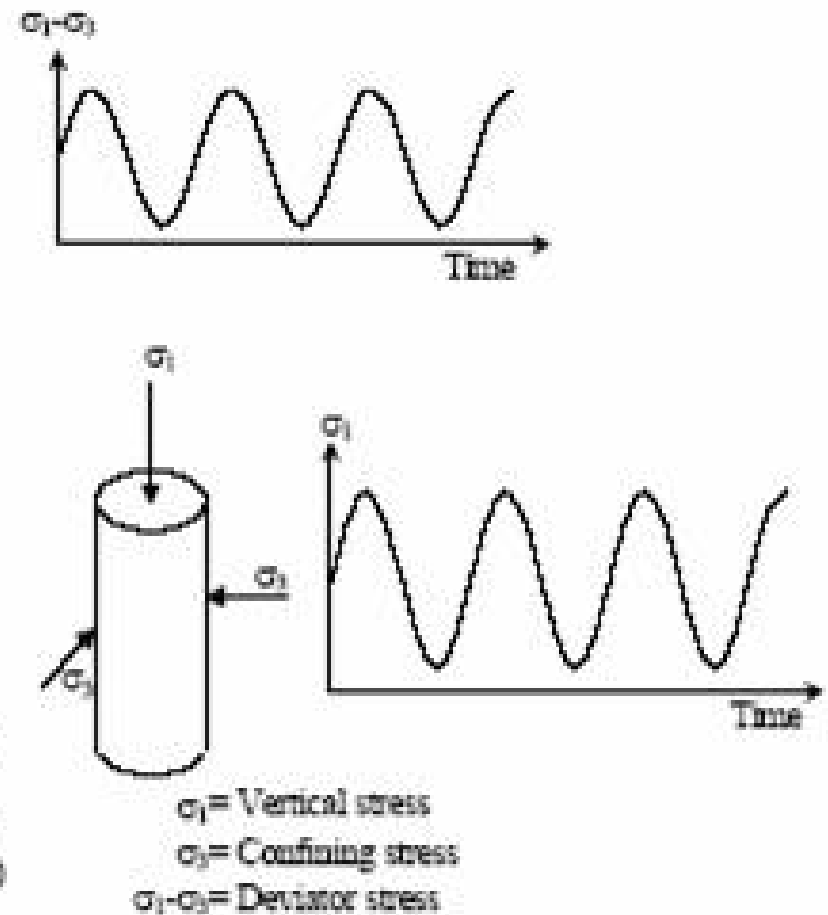
$$\tau = c + \sigma \tan \phi$$





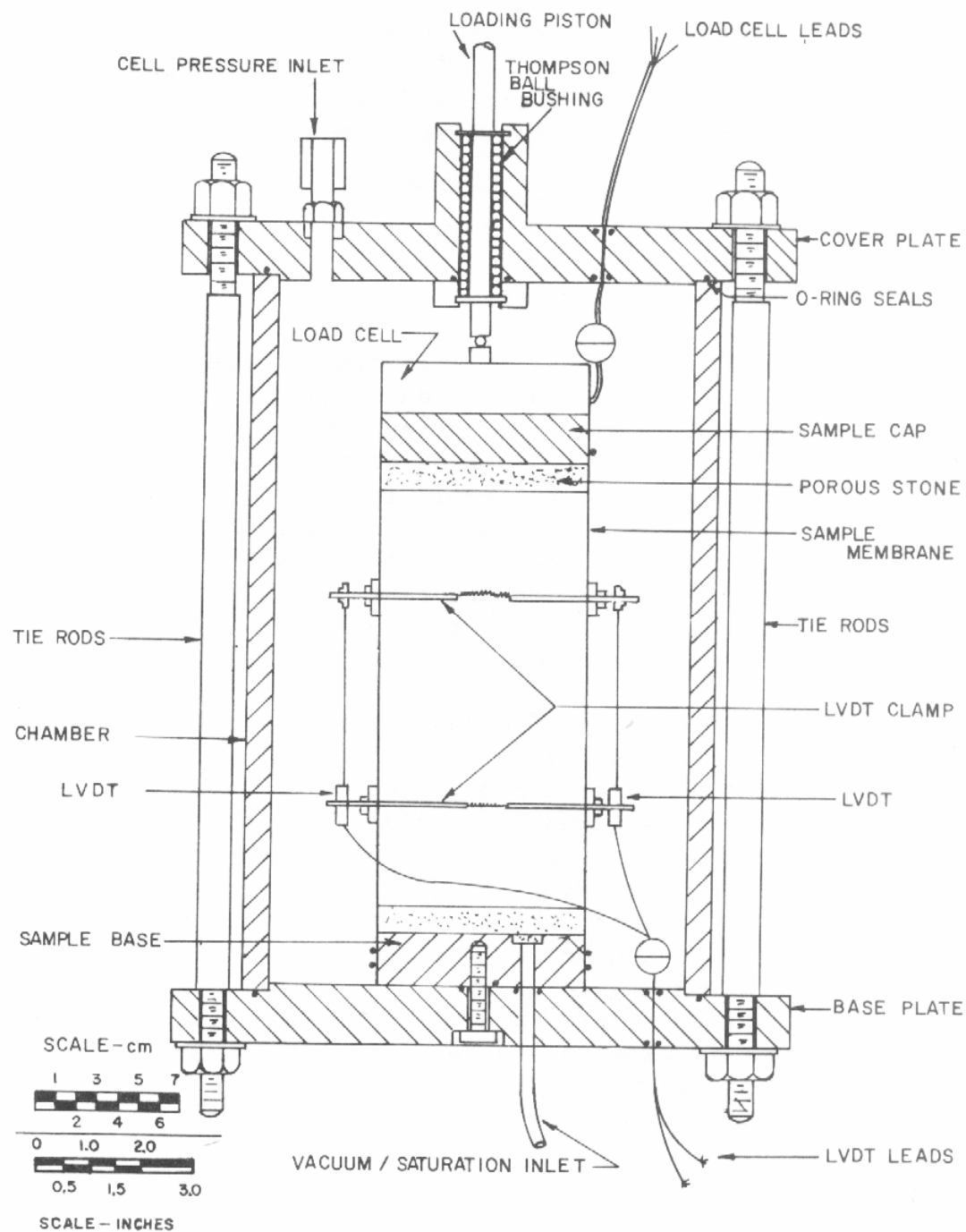


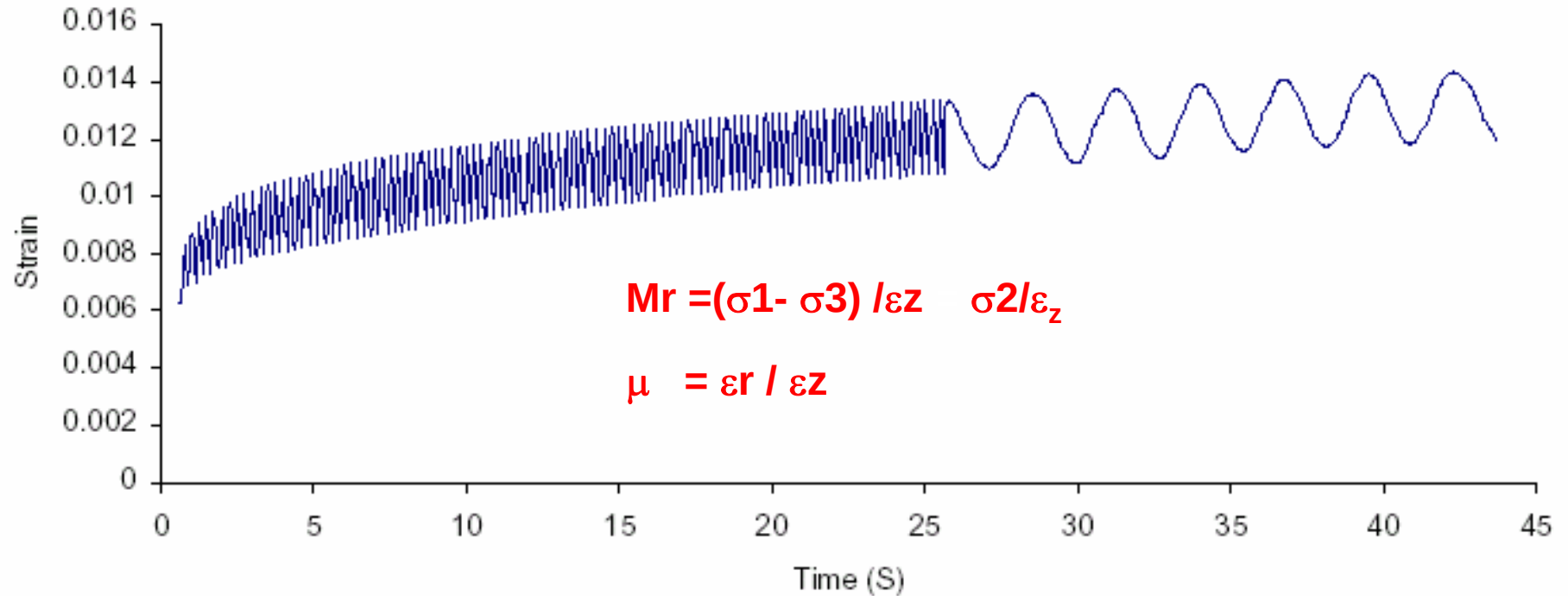
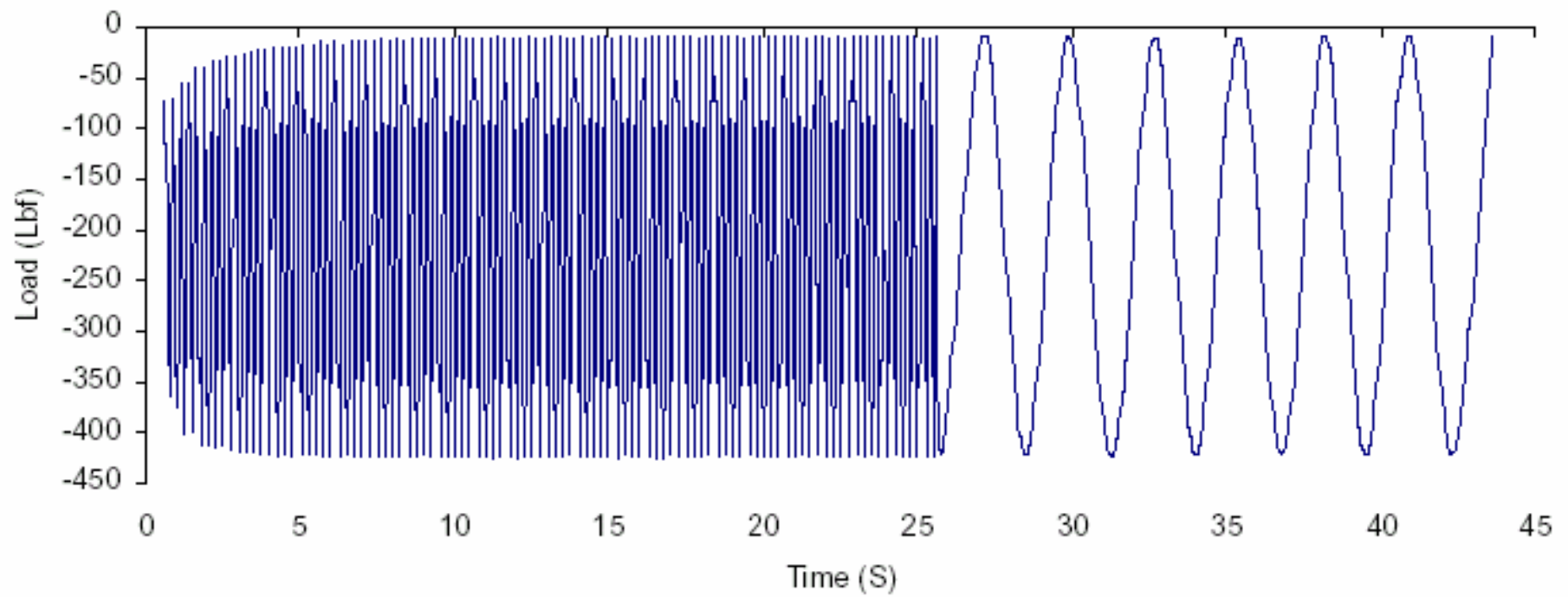
Test apparatus



Stress conditions

➤ **Dynamic triaxial test** (permanent deformation, resilient modulus (M_r) for **fine** and **coarse** materials and poisons ratio (μ))







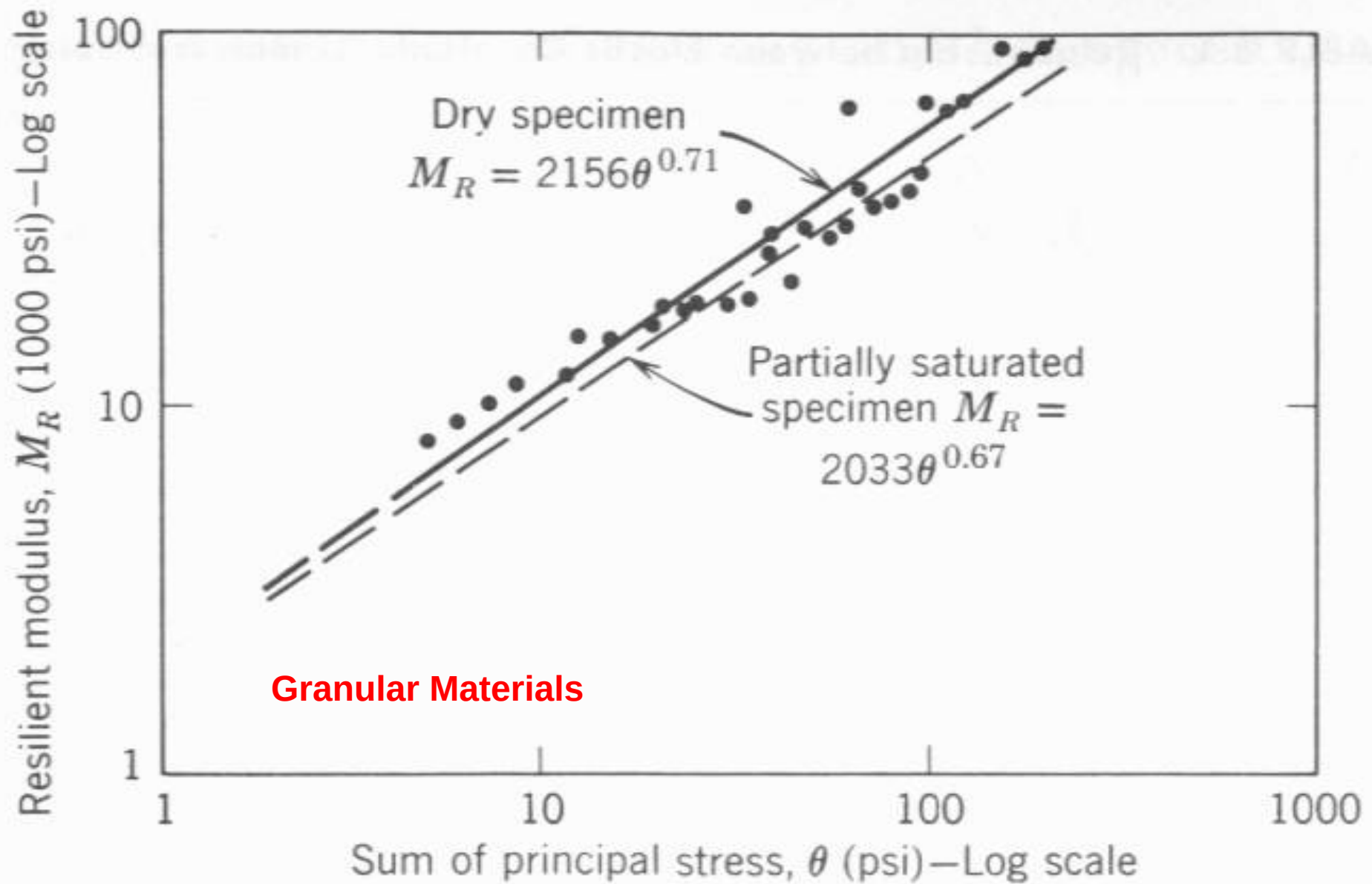
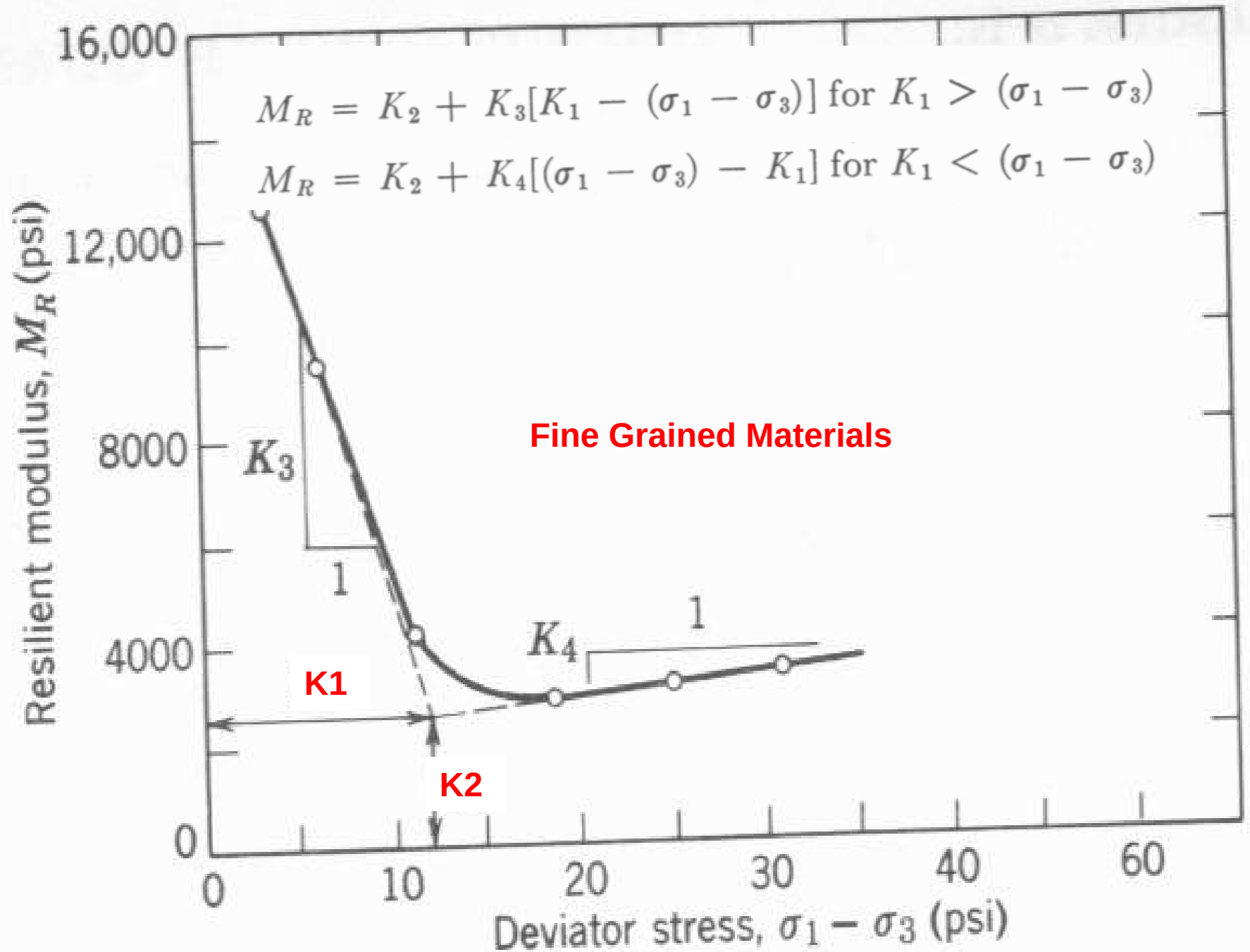
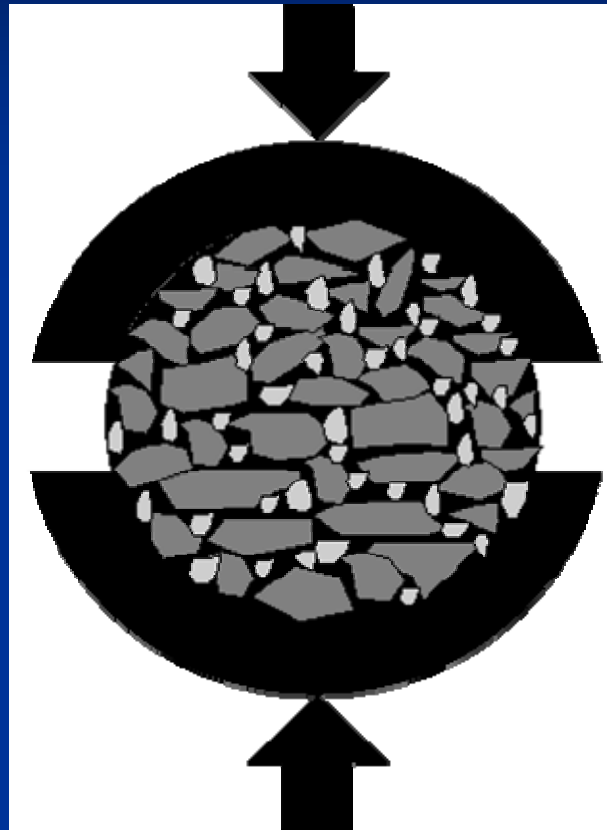
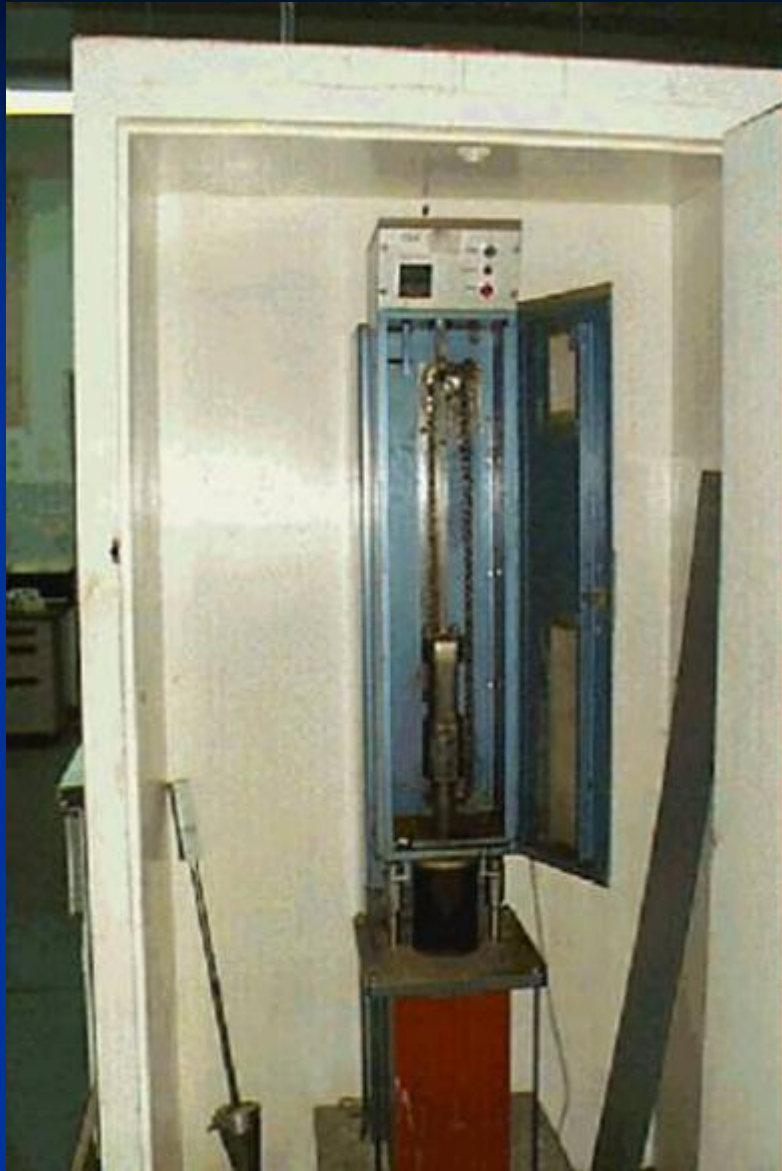


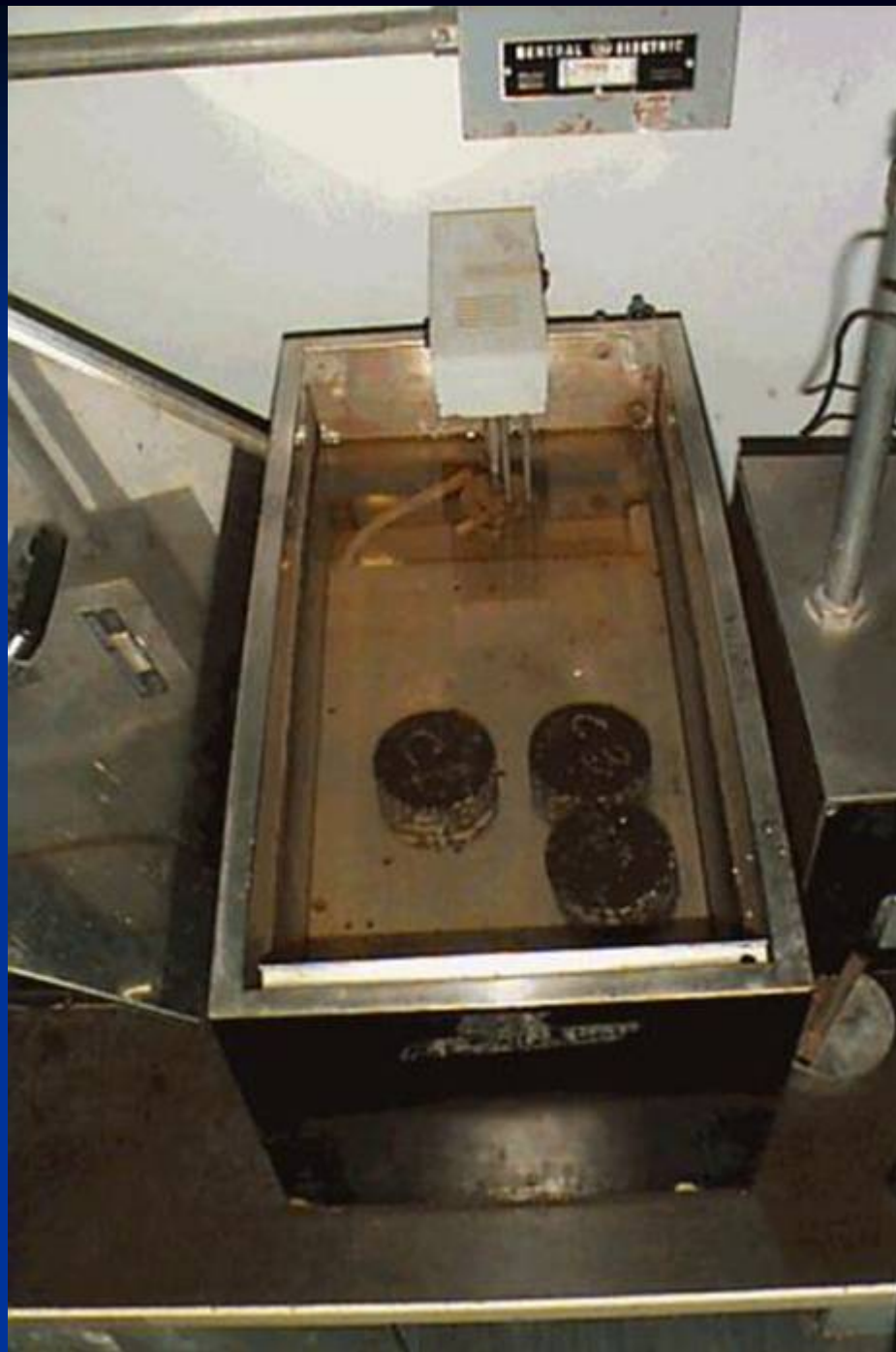
Figure 8.12. Typical M_R response for granular materials. (From Hie)



□ Marshall test



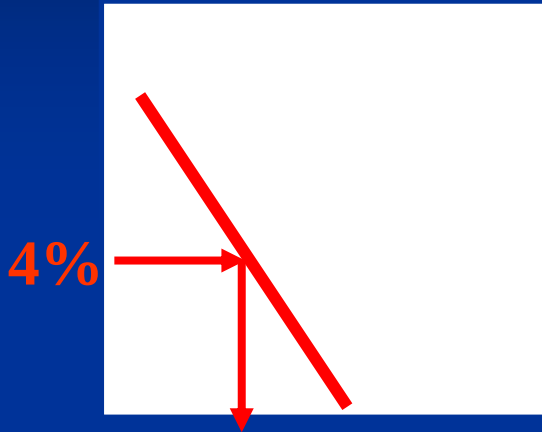






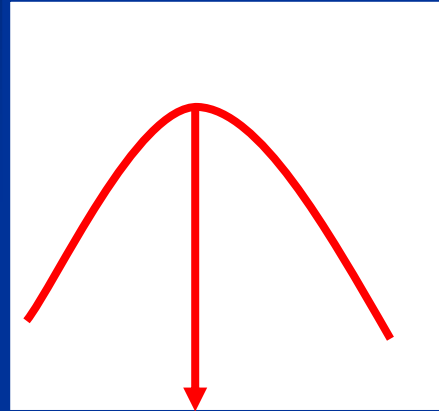
Marshall Design Use of Data Asphalt Institute Procedure

Air Voids, %



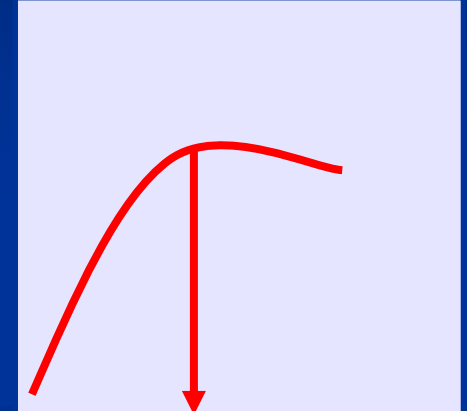
Asphalt Content, %

Stability



Asphalt Content, %

Unit Wt.



Asphalt Content, %

Target optimum asphalt content = average

SuperPave

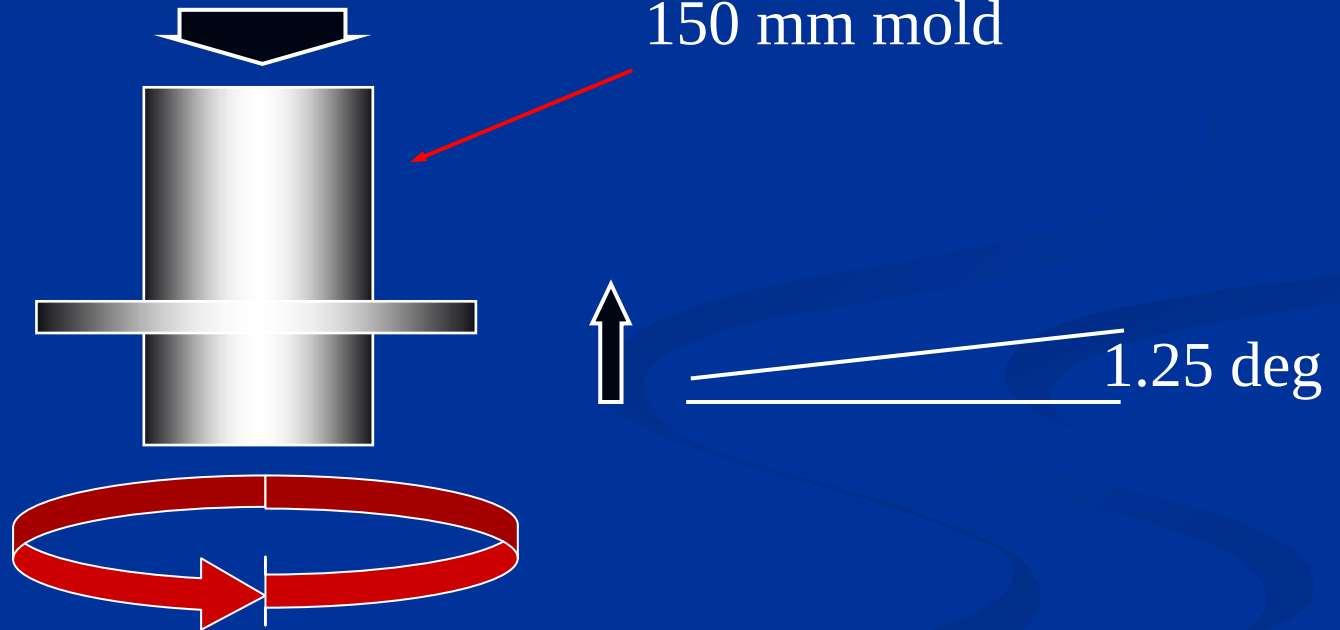


Gyratory Compaction

ram pressure
0.6 MPa

150 mm mold

30 gyrations
per minute



$$\sigma = \frac{3aP}{bh^2}$$

□ Modulus of rupture, MR, E_s

$$E_s = \frac{Pa(3L^2 - 4a^2)}{4bh^3\Delta}$$

$$\epsilon_t = \frac{\sigma}{E_s} = \frac{12h\Delta}{3L^2 - 4a^2}$$

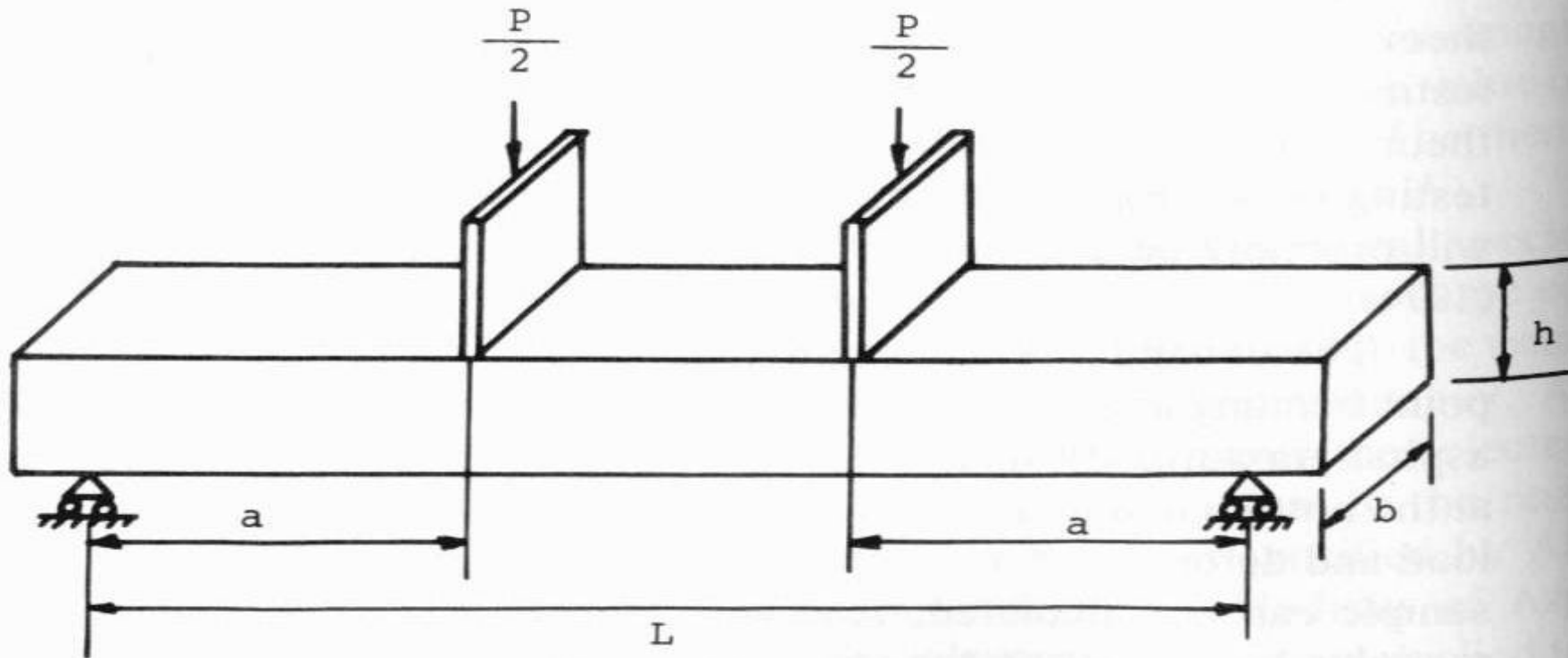
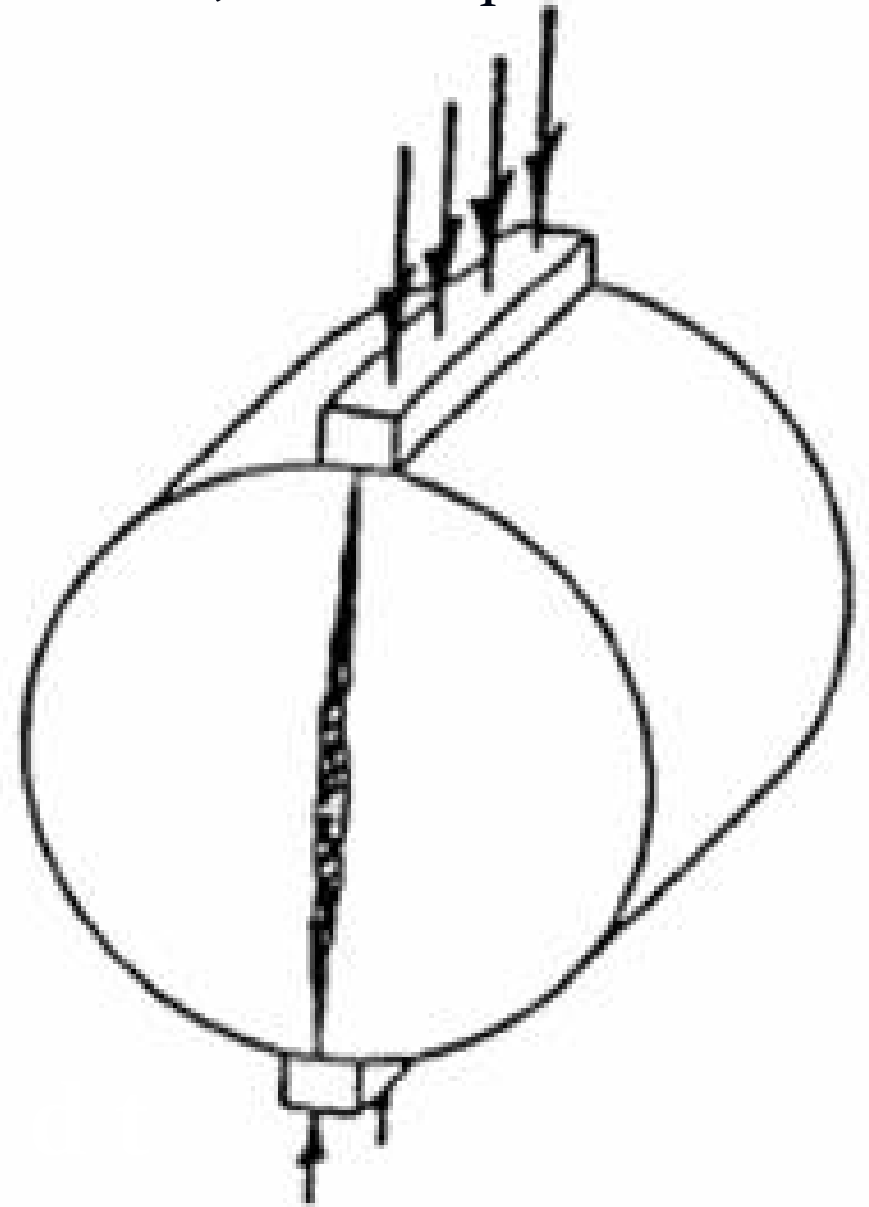
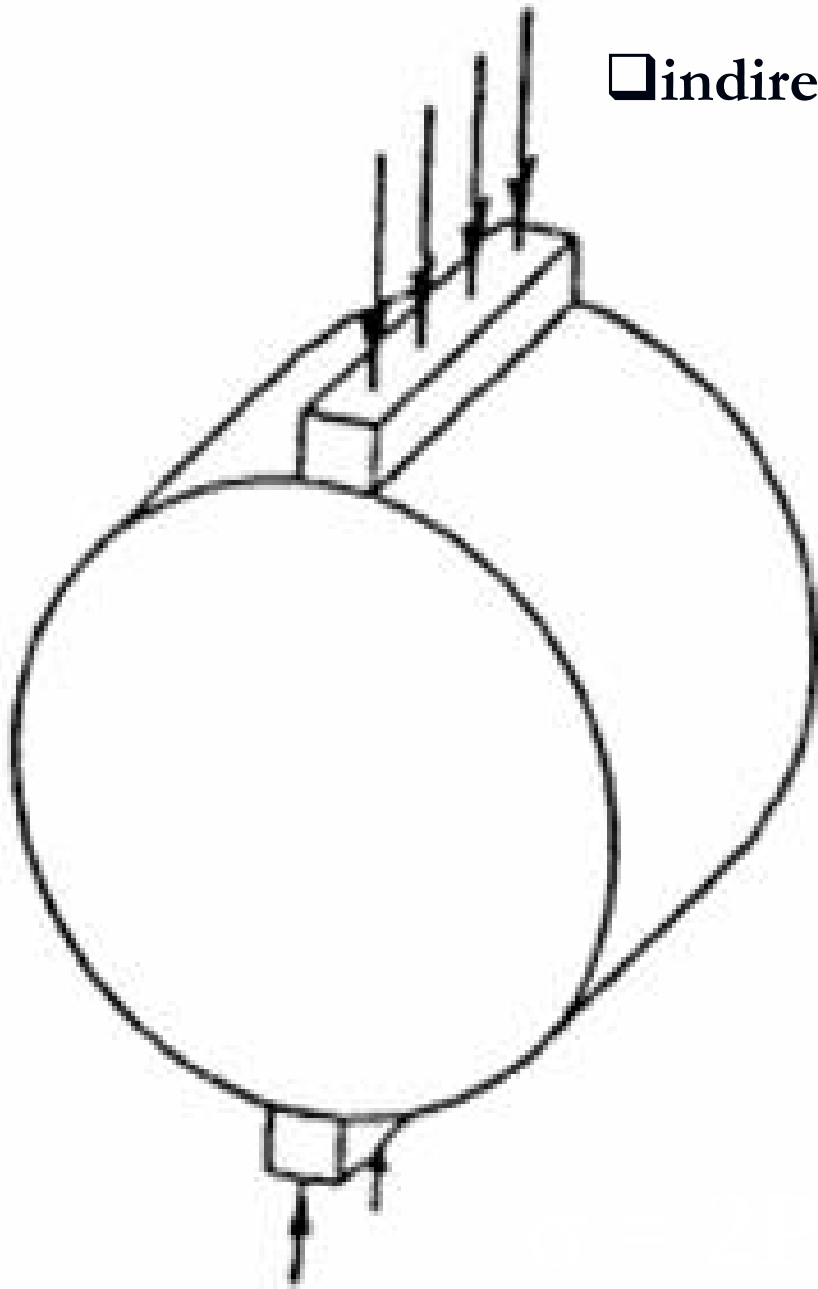
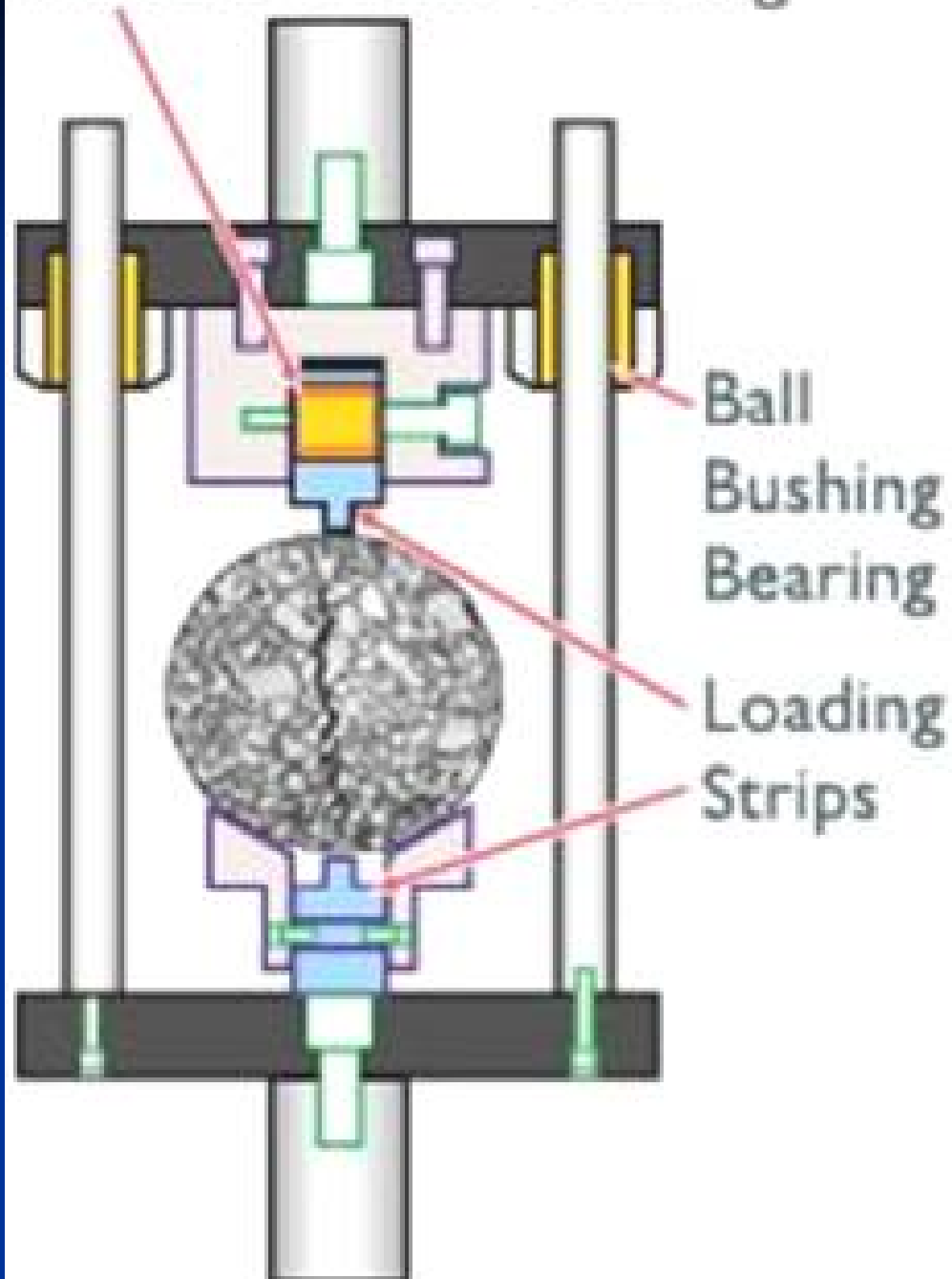


Figure 7.17 Third-point beam test for dynamic modulus.

□ indirect tensile test, ITS or σ_T

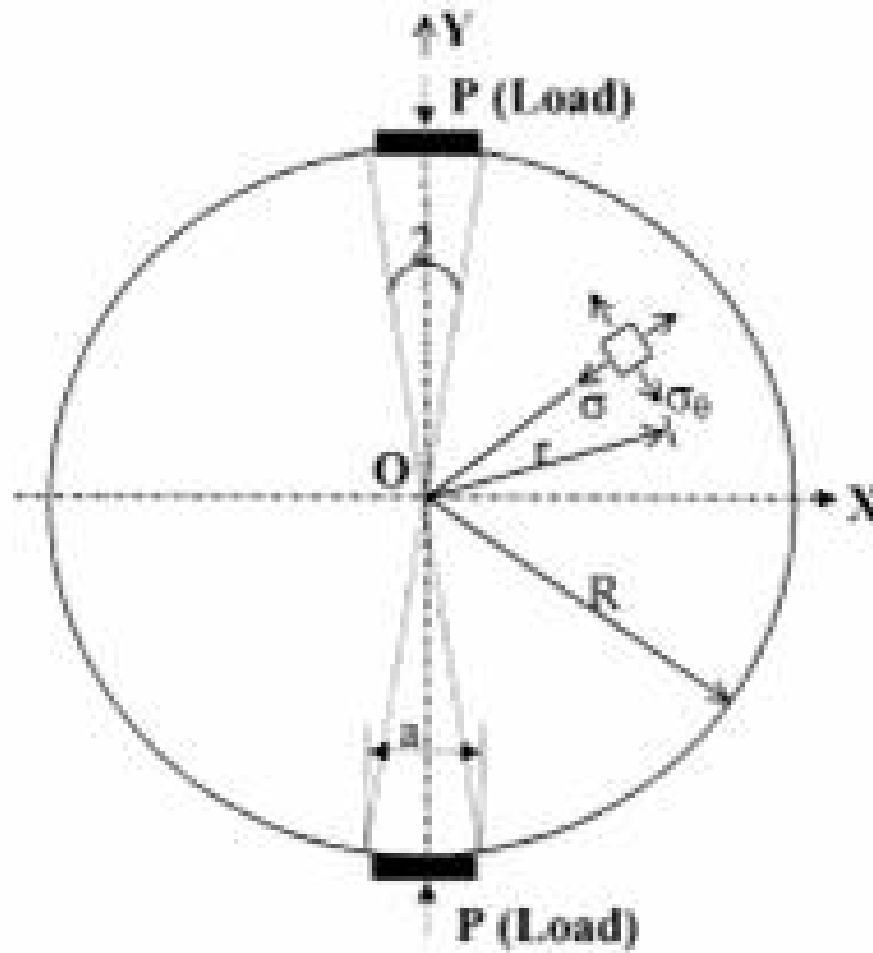


Needle Roller Bearing



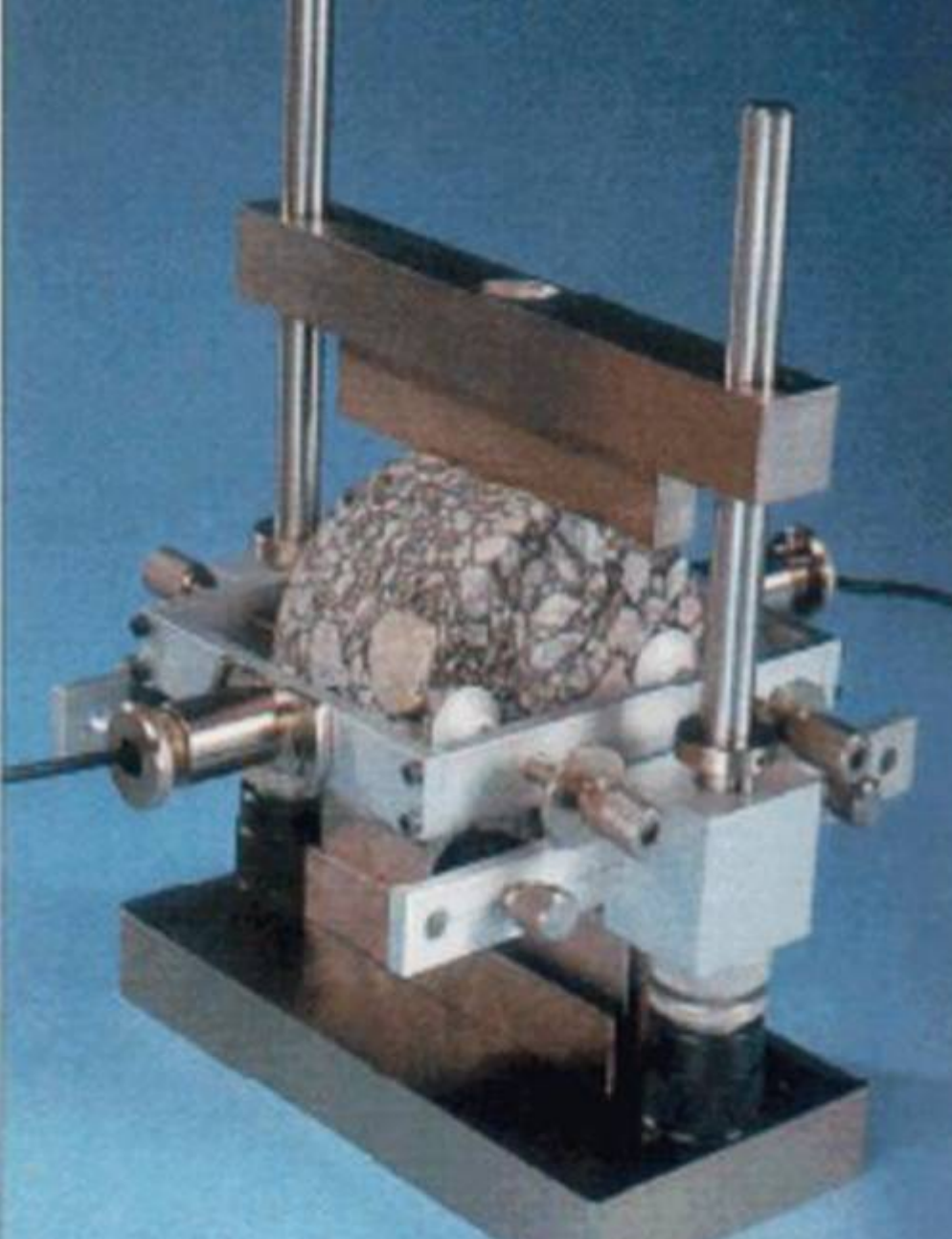
$$\sigma_T = 2P / \mu D H$$



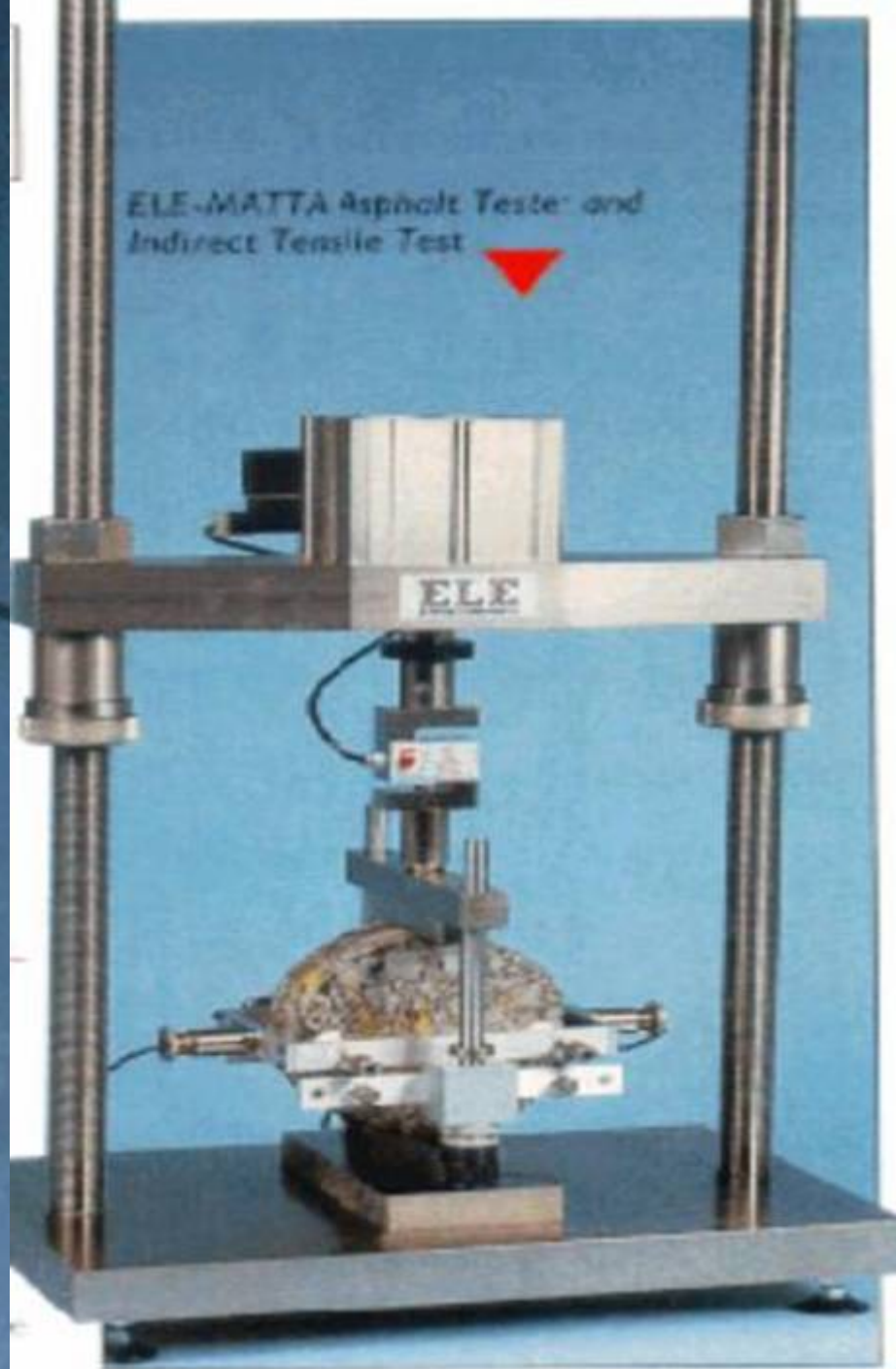


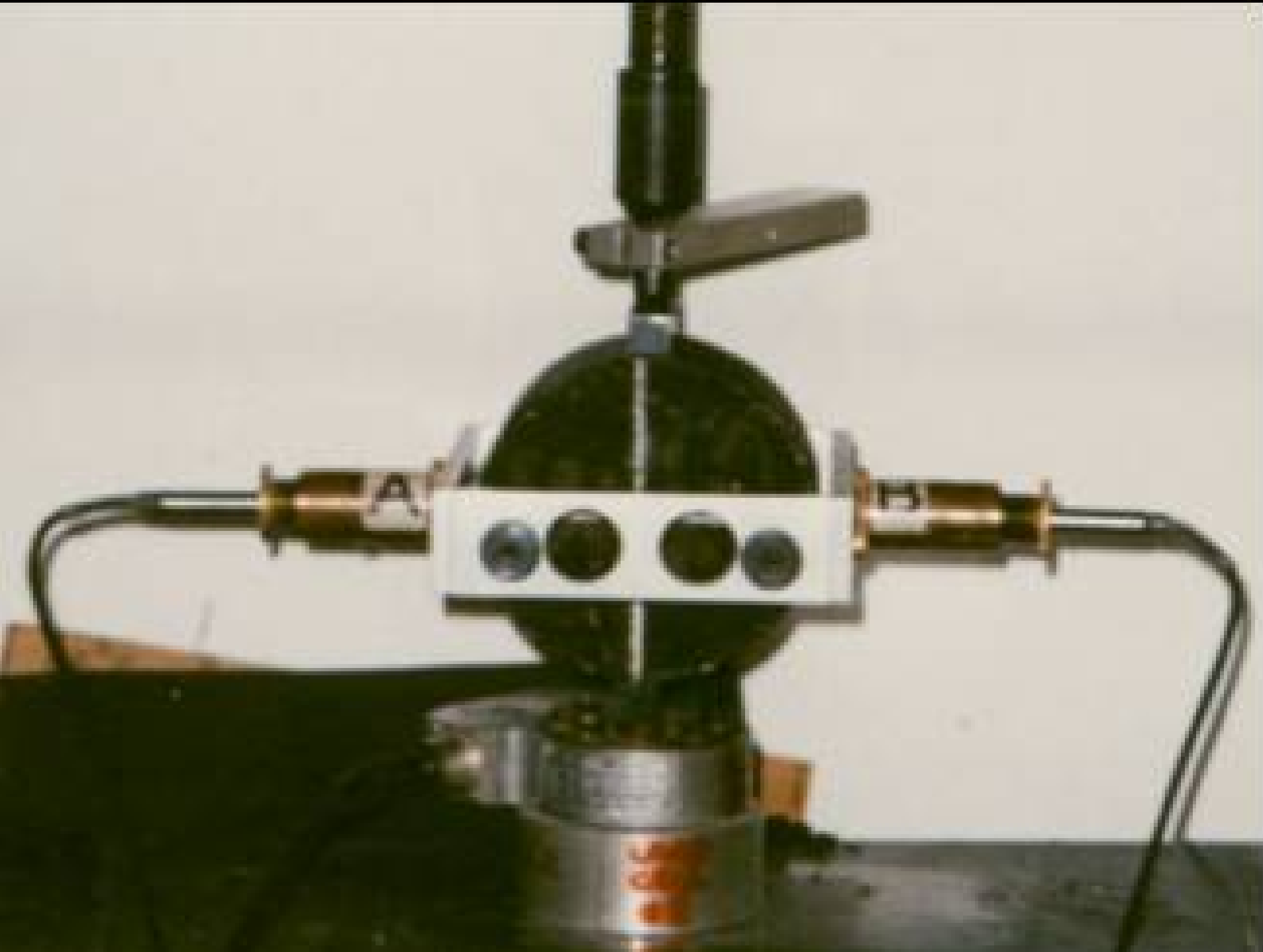
$$\text{Horizontal Tensile Stress} = \sigma = \frac{2P}{\pi dt}$$

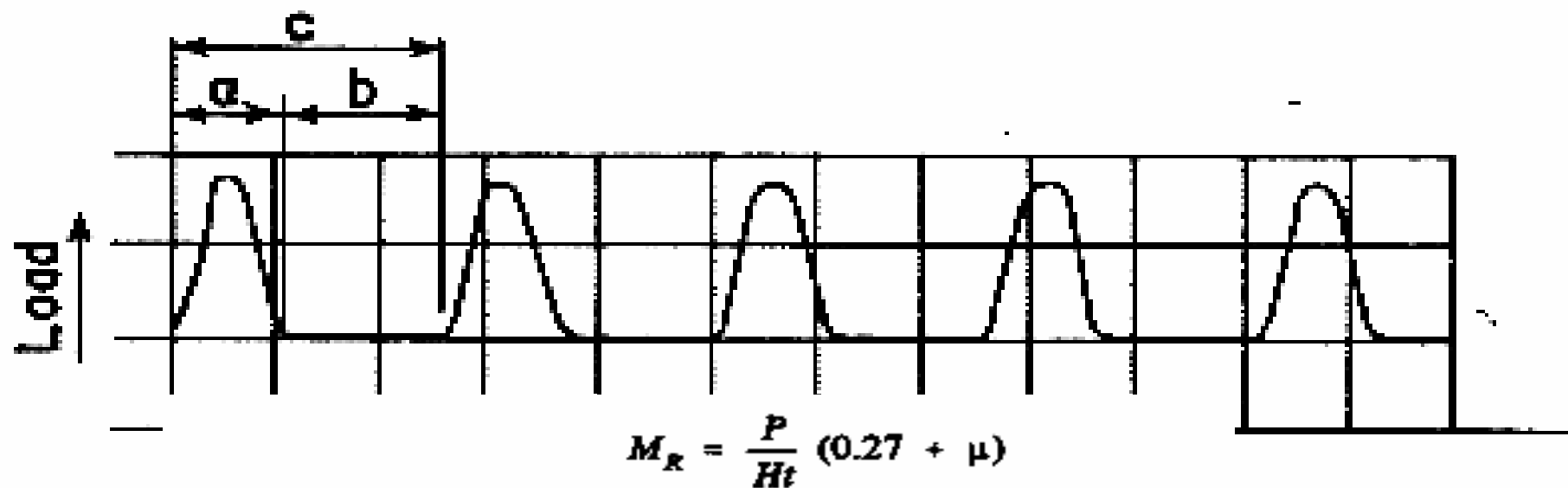
$$\text{Horizontal Tensile Strain} = \epsilon = \delta \left[\frac{2(1+3\mu)}{d(a+b\mu)\pi} \right]$$



□ Diametral test, resilient modulus, M_r







where,

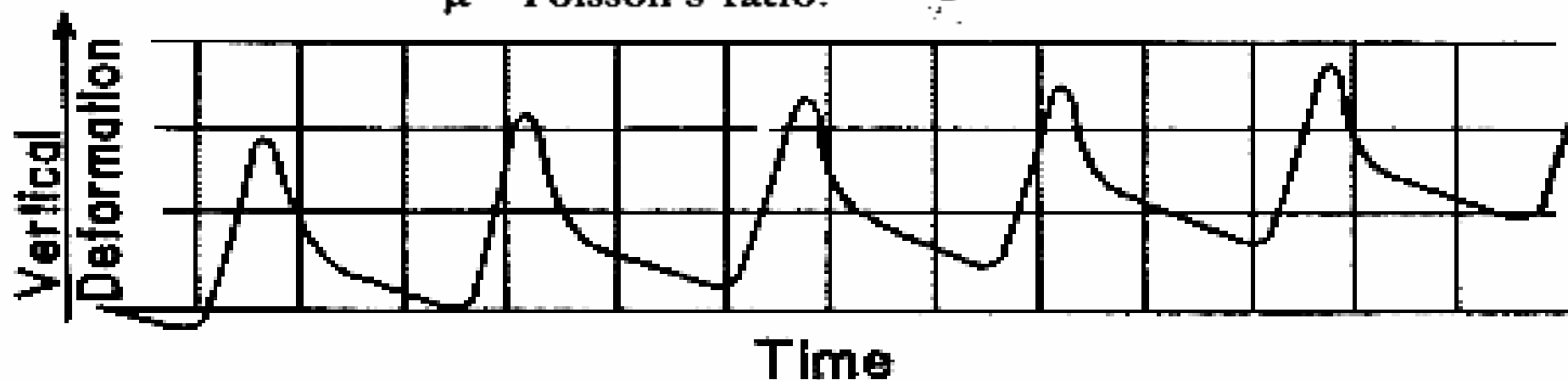
M_R = resilient modulus, psi;

P = applied load, pounds;

H = horizontal deformation, inches;

t = sample thickness, inches; and

μ = Poisson's ratio.



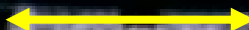
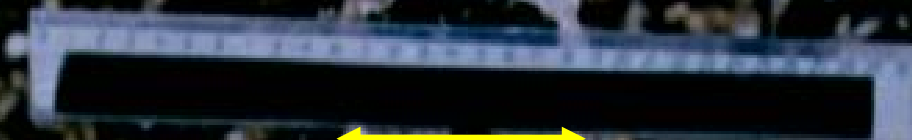




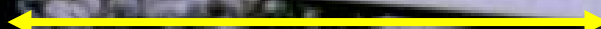








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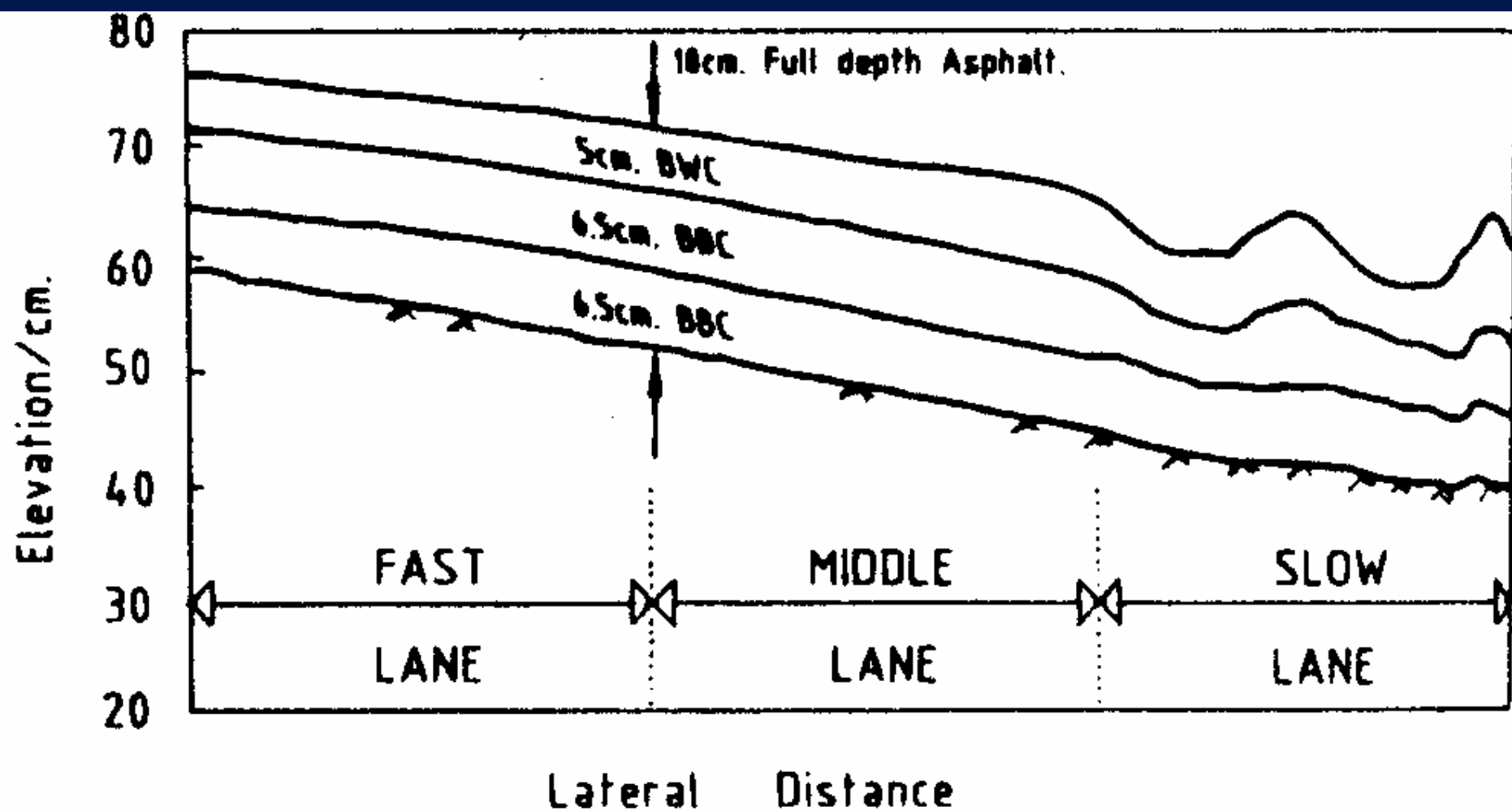


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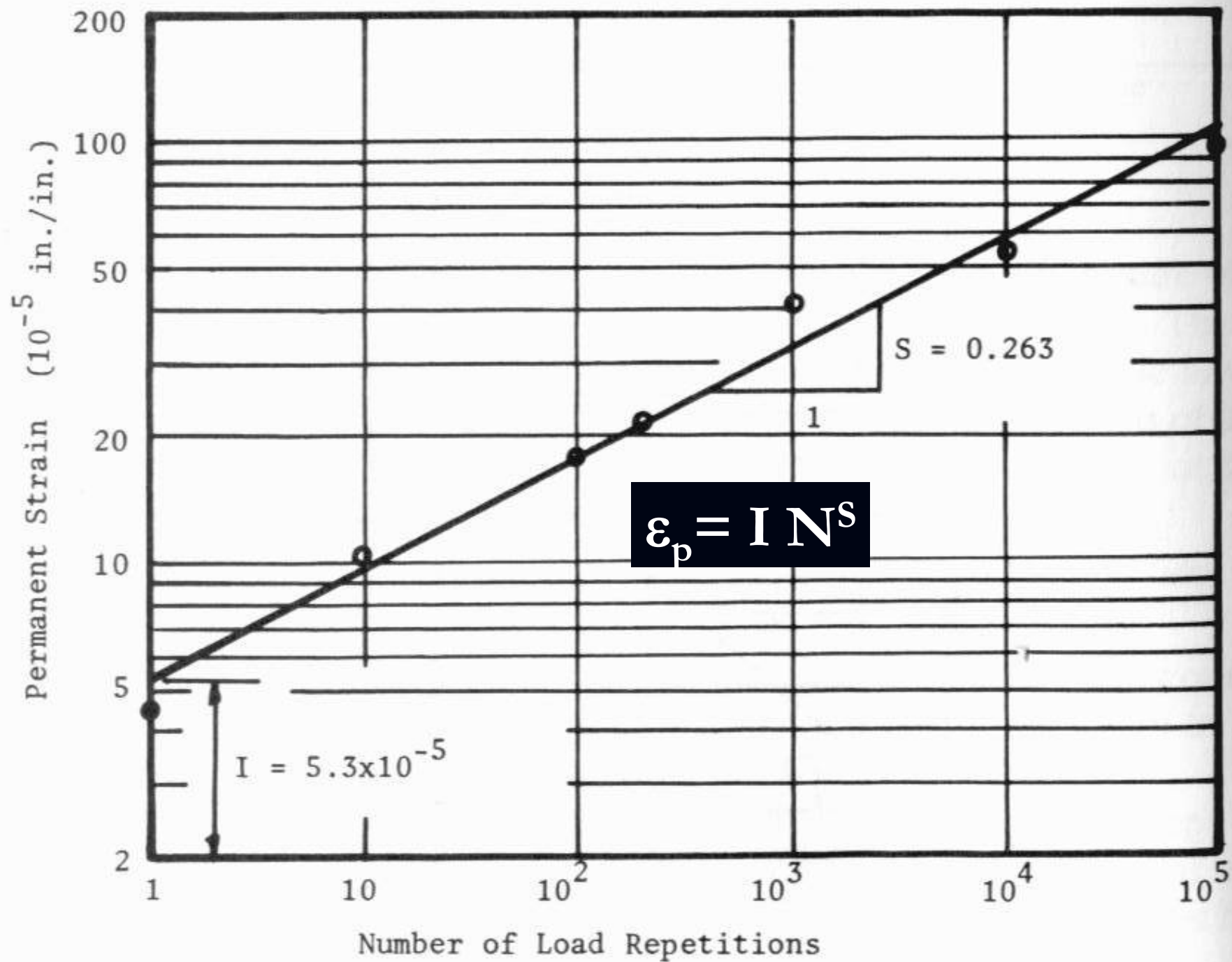






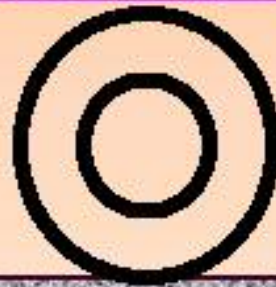






HMA PAVEMENT FATIGUE



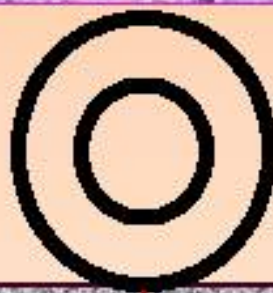


Full Depth HMA

High Bending

Subgrade

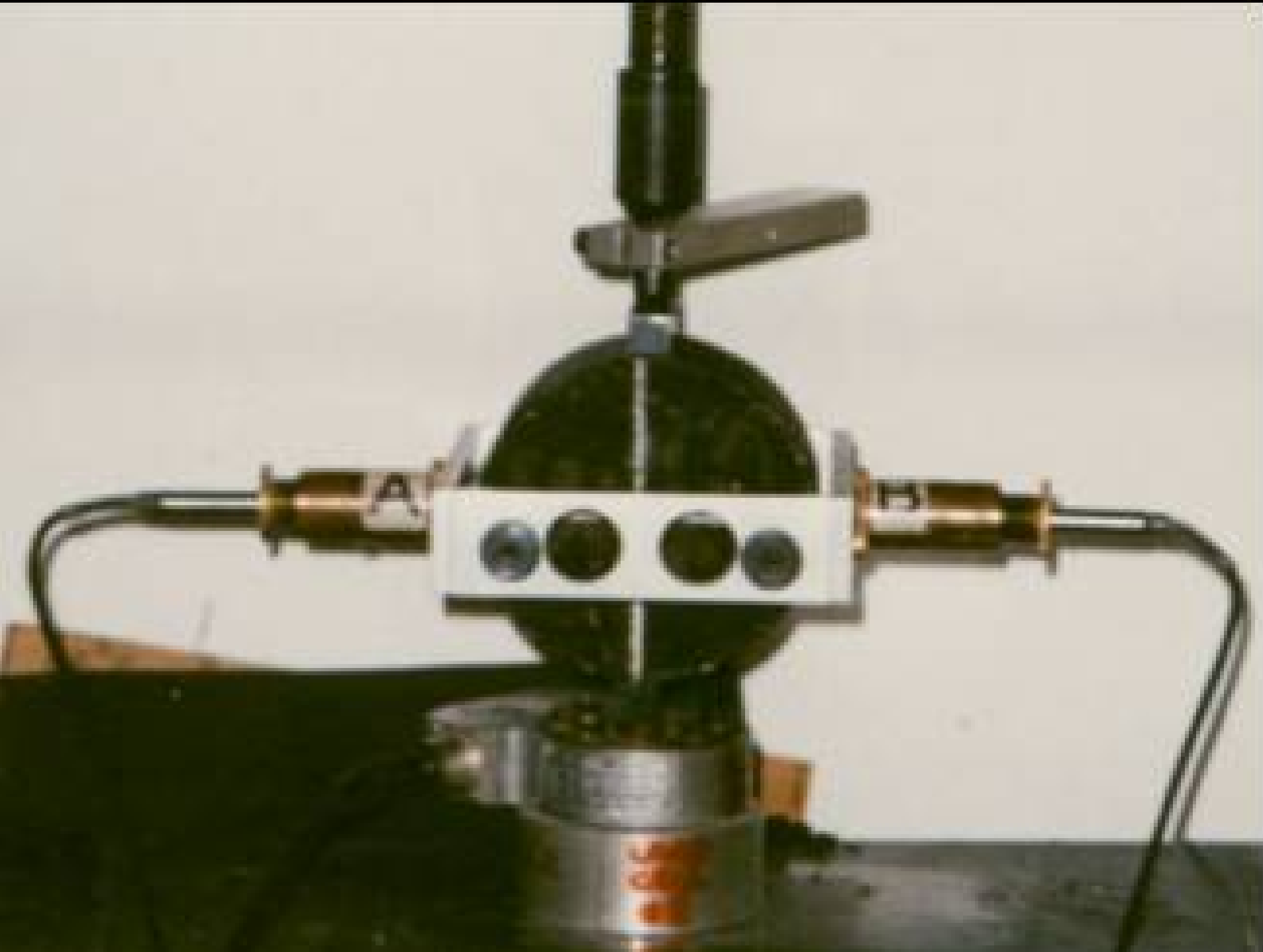
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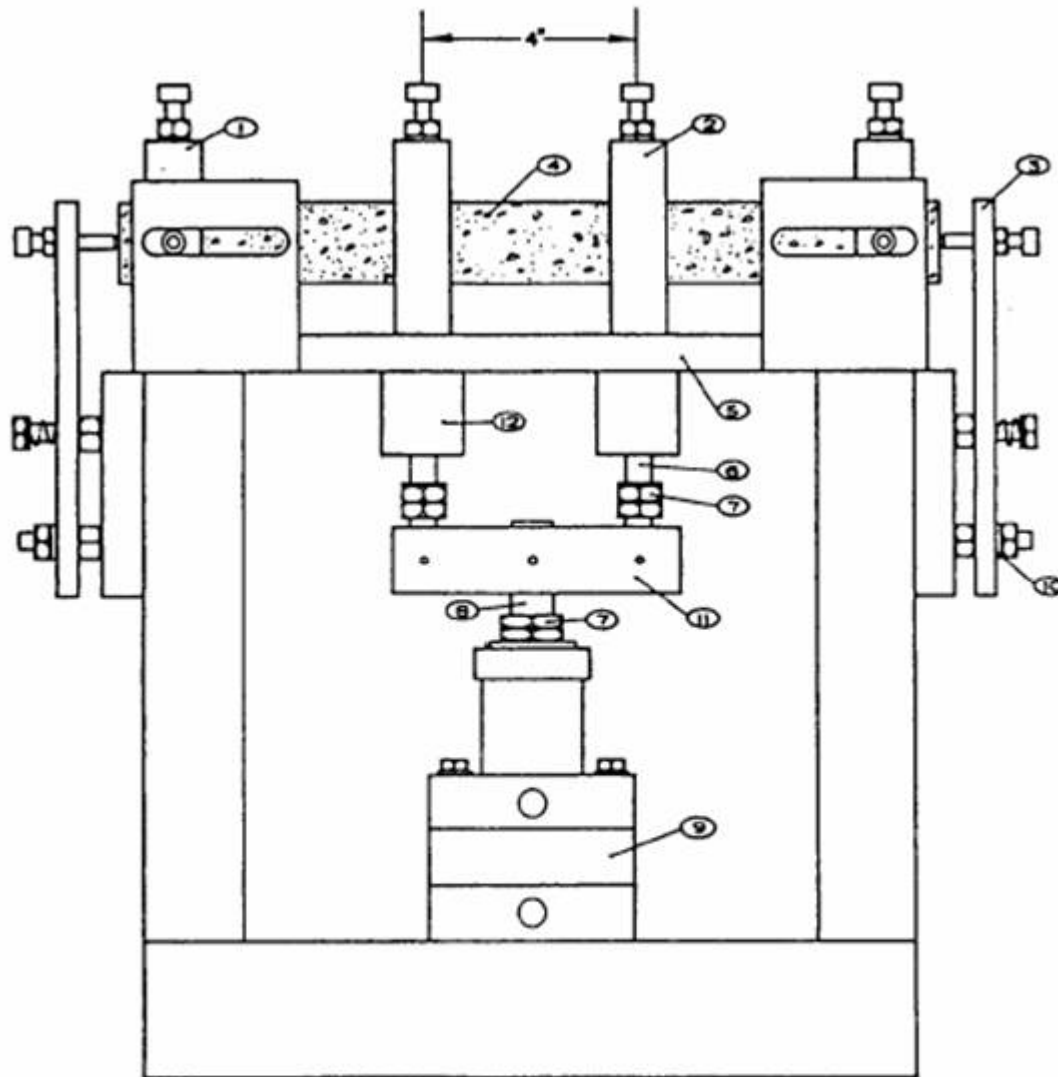


Full Depth HMA

Crack

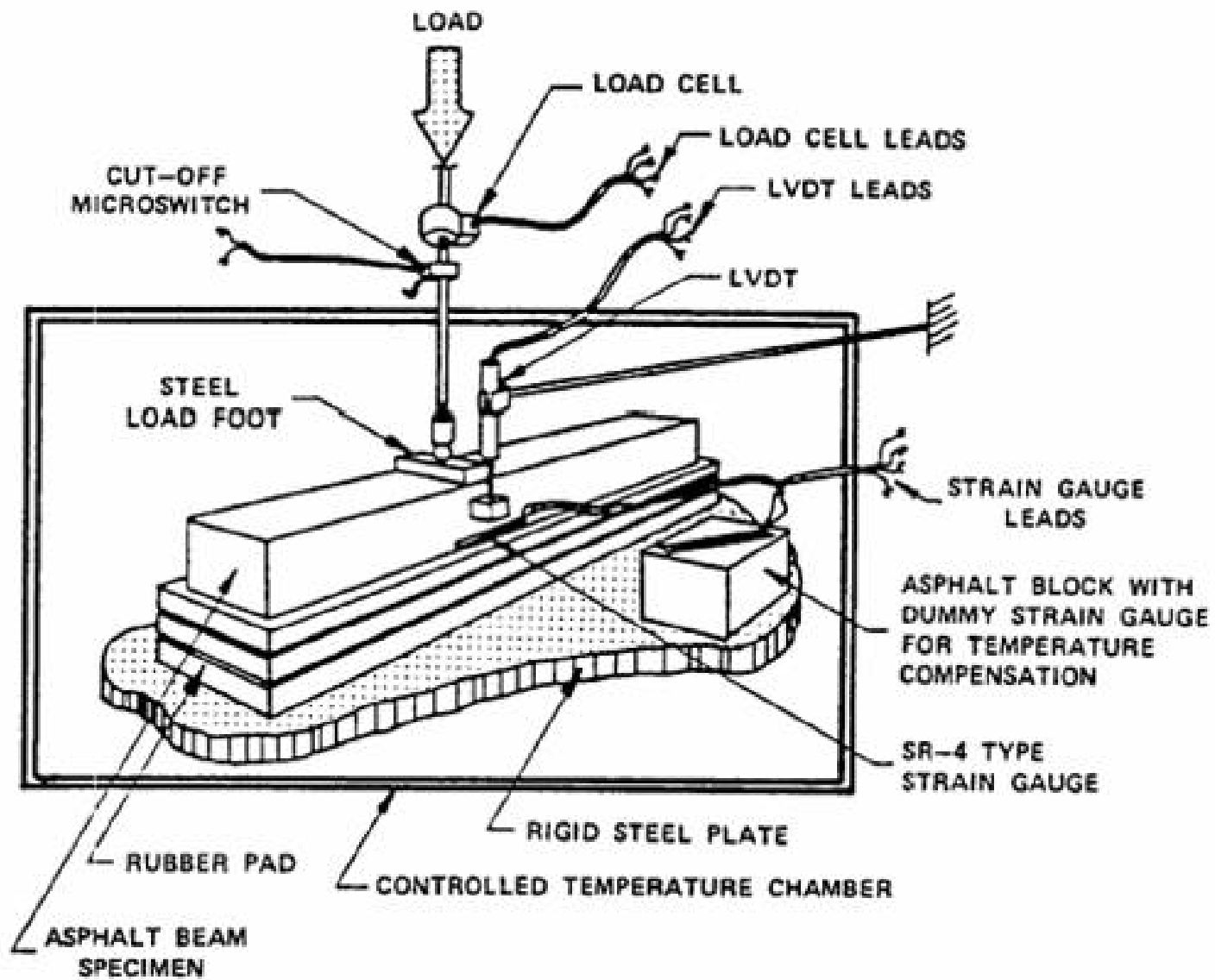
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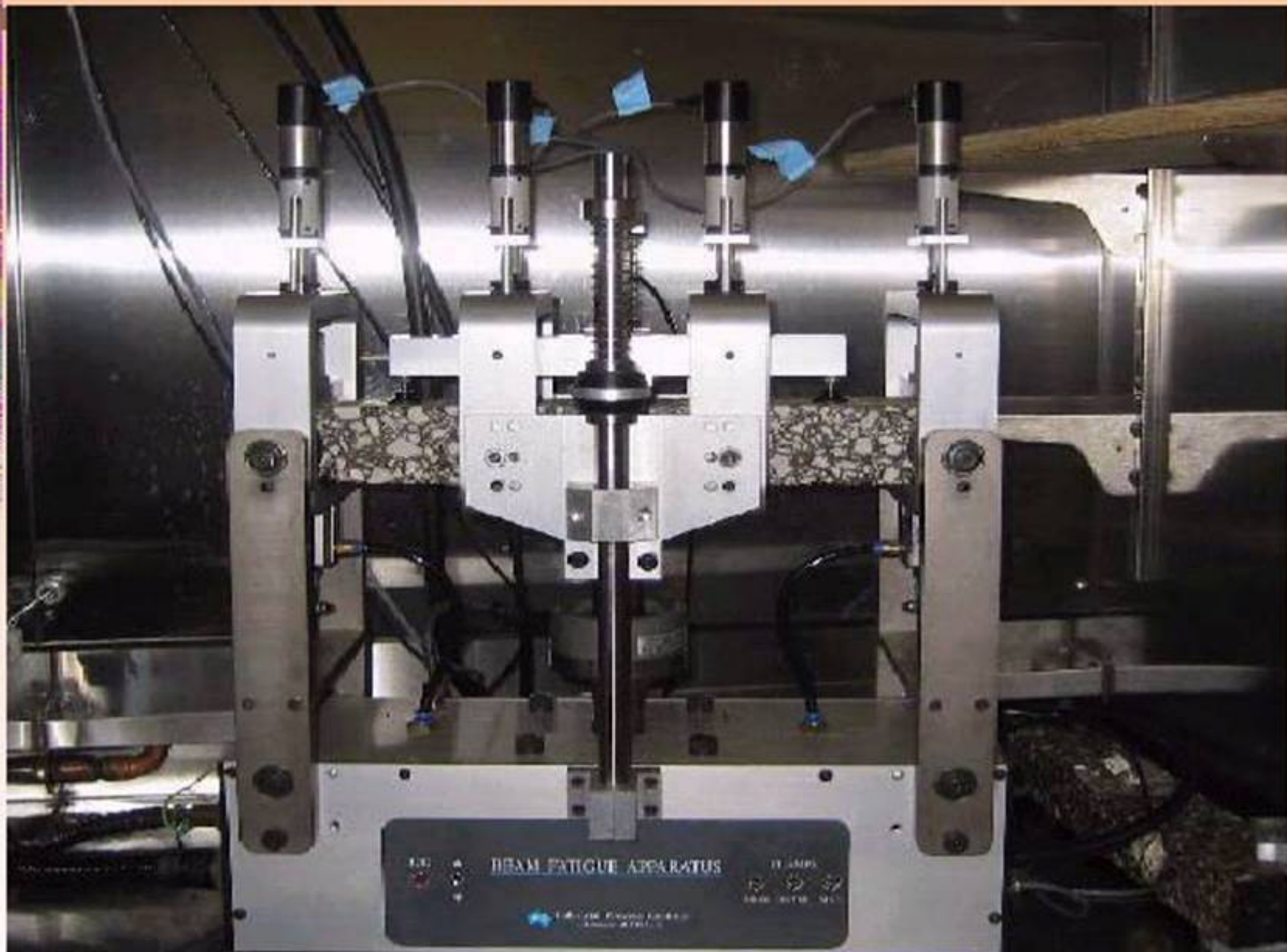


Key:

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|-------------------|----------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. Reaction clamp | 5. Base plate | 9. Double-acting, Bellofram cylinder |
| 2. Load clamp | 6. Loading rod | 10. Rubber washer |
| 3. Restrainer | 7. Stop nut | 11. Load bar |
| 4. Specimen | 8. Piston rod | 12. Thomson ball bushing |



FATIGUE EQUIPMENT



RBB - POLYMER MODIFIED

SBS PG70-22, Dolomite

