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FOREWORD

The studies described in this report were made during the period of March 1950 to January 1951 partially in the Hydraulics Laboratories of Colorado A & M College, Fort Collins, Colorado and partially in the Hydraulics Laboratory of the United States Bureau of Reclamation, Federal Center, Denver, Colorado. The calibration of the 48-in. and 18-in. metergates was authorized by a contract between the Colorado Agricultural Research Foundation of Colorado A & M College, through the Civil Engineering Section of the Experiment Station and the Armco Drainage and Metal Products, Inc., Hardesty Division of Denver, Colorado.

Mr. Ralph N. Tracy, Mr. H. M. Chadwick and Mr. Lance Hansen, engineers for Armco Drainage and Metal Products, Inc. inspected the installations of the metergates both before and during testing and discussed the results with Colorado A & M Laboratory staff members. Throughout the entire installing and calibrating of the metergates, consultations with and inspections by Mr. Tracy were maintained.

Mr. George E. Shafer, Chief Engineer, Armco Drainage and Metal Products, Inc., reviewed the preliminary report and made valuable suggestions toward producing a complete final calibration report.

Mr. James W. Ball and Mr. Joe B. Summers, Research and Geology Division, U. S. Bureau of Reclamation, Denver, Colorado, provided calibration data for the 12-in. and 8-in. metergates and were very cooperative in the assembly and analysis of the calibration data and in providing information for the report.

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The installing and testing of the 48-in. and 18-in. metergates, the assembly of the Colorado A & M College and U. S. Bureau of Reclamation calibration data, and the writing of the preliminary and final reports was directed by Prof. Sol D. Resnick under the general supervision of Prof. Maurice L. Albertson.

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Chapter II

INTRODUCTION

The Armco Metergate Model No. 101 is highly suitable as a control and standard measuring device when the calibration curves are based on accurate experimental data and the final accuracy desired is not greater than that permitted by the normal variation in gate castings and settings.

Previous experimental calibrations of the Armco Metergate Model No. 101 were made by the Fresno Irrigation District in 1928, tests being made on the 8-in., 10-in., 12-in., 14-in., 16-in., 18-in., 20-in., and 24-in. gates, with data for the other size gates being obtained by interpolation and extrapolation.

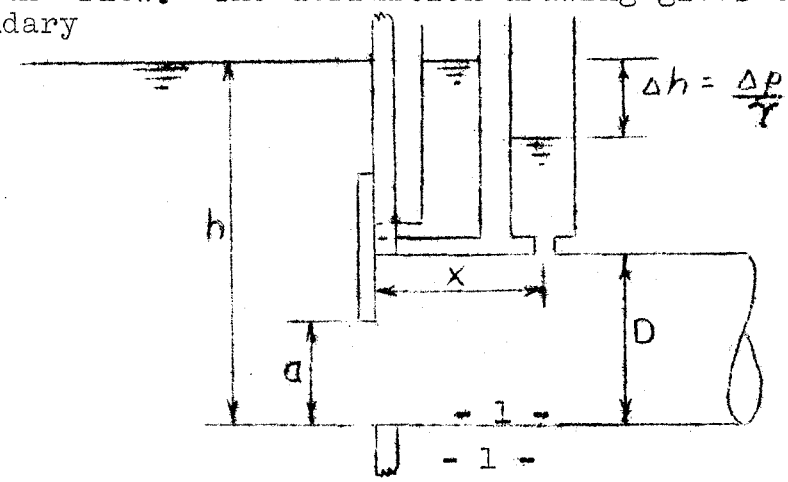
The Problem

Recently the manufacturers of the gate decided to calibrate the largest gate (48-in.) to eliminate the extrapolation and to recalibrate the smaller sizes at the same time. Therefore, the Armco Drainage and Metal Products, Inc., Hardesty Division, Denver, Colorado, engaged the Colorado Agricultural Research Foundation of Colorado A & M College in March 1950 to calibrate the 18-in. and 48-in. gates. Data obtained from the tests made by the College and experimental calibration data provided by the United States Bureau of Reclamation for the 8-in. and 12-in. gates, was analysed and used as the basis for a report presenting calibration curves for the 8-in., 10-in., 12-in., 14-in., 15-in., 16-in., 18-in., 20-in., 21-in., 24-in., 30-in., 36-in., 42-in., and 48-in. gates.

In order to facilitate testing procedure and to interpolate correctly to obtain discharge data for gates not tested, a complete theoretical analysis of the problem is essential.

Theoretical Analysis

The quantity of flow through an Armco Metergate is a function of the boundary geometry, the properties of the fluid, and the flow. The definition drawing gives the essential boundary



dimensions h, a, x, and D which affect the problem while the important fluid properties are the density ρ and the dynamic viscosity μ. The flow is described by the difference in pressure Δp upstream and downstream from the gate. If the six variables h, a, x, D, ρ, and μ are held constant, a given difference in well readings Δp should indicate a given discharge. The general function may be represented as

$$\phi\,(h,\ a,\ x,\ D,\ \rho,\ \mu,\ \Delta p,\ V) = 0 \qquad (1)$$

The foregoing variables may be rearranged through dimensional analysis into a group of dimensionless parameters to give the following equation:

$$\phi_1\left(h/a,\ a/D,\ x/D,\ \frac{\Delta h}{V^2/2g},\ Re\right) = 0 \qquad (2)$$

In these equations, V is the mean velocity in the outlet pipe, Δh is the difference in head in the stilling wells, and Re is the Reynolds number $\frac{VD}{\nu}$.

Eq. 2 may be rearranged to give

$$\frac{\Delta h}{V^2/2g} = \phi_2\,(h/a,\ a/D,\ x/D,\ Re) \qquad (3)$$

$$V = \phi_3\,(h/a,\ a/D,\ x/D,\ Re)\sqrt{2g\Delta h} \qquad (4)$$

By letting the term within the brackets equal the discharge coefficient C, the resulting equation is easily recognized as the equation for flow through an orifice.

$$V = C\sqrt{2g\Delta h} \qquad (5)$$

To compute Q, the continuity equation is used so that

$$Q = AV = AC\sqrt{2g\Delta h} \qquad (6)$$

where $C = \phi_3\,(h/a,\ a/D,\ x/D,\ Re)$ (7)

If x/D is held constant,

$$C = \phi_4\,(h/a,\ a/D,\ Re) \qquad (8)$$

The final equation for determining Q in terms of Δh, therefore, is Eq. 6.

The equipment and procedure used for evaluating the foregoing functions are presented in the following chapter.

Chapter II

EQUIPMENT AND PROCEDURE FOR TESTING

The facilities of the laboratories selected for calibrating the Armco Metergate Model No. 101 included all of those necessary for complete testing and analysis. The 48-in. gate was tested at the Bellvue Laboratory, Colorado A & M College, where the large flows provided by the Cache la Poudre River were available. The 18-in. gate was tested in the Hydraulics Laboratory, Colorado A & M College, while the 8-in. and 12-in. gates were tested in the Hydraulics Laboratory of the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation, Denver, Colorado.

48-in. Metergate

The calibration tests on the 48-in. Armco Metergate were done by staff members of the Colorado A & M College. The installation for testing was located at the Bellvue Laboratory which is situated on the Cache la Poudre River about eight miles northwest of the College campus. Figs. 1, 2, 3, and 4 illustrate the experimental facilities used in the testing. During the spring runoff when the river is high, diversions of 100 cfs or more can be run through the 14-ft. wide concrete flume, but as the river recedes, the flow that can be diverted decreases. Tests on the high flows through the gate were run in late June when the maximum discharge was limited by experimental set-up to about 63 cfs.

Measurement of the discharge:- All discharges were measured by a 15-ft rectangular sharp-crested weir at the end of the flume. The weir was calibrated at high flows by carefully performed current meter tests, while for discharges below 17 cfs the large weir was rated by use of a small 4-ft weir which had previously been calibrated volumetrically in the hydraulics laboratory on the campus. The tests for small discharges were made by Mr Carl Rohwer and Mr. Ralph Parshall.

The current meter measurements were made with a Price Current Meter which was rated in May 1950. A total of three measurements were made for discharges of approximately 60 cfs, 50 cfs, and 40 cfs. Measurements were made at 0.8 depth and 0.2 depth in each vertical section and vertical sections were taken every two feet across the 14-ft rectangular flume. The velocity across each section was fairly uniform. In determining the velocity at a point, sufficient time was taken so that minor variations resulting from turbulence were assumed to be averaged. Several measurements were repeated at each point to make sure that the independent measurements would check each other. In most

cases the individual measurements checked within one percent. The current meter measurements invariably fell within one percent of the value determined by applying the Francis formula to the 15-ft weir. In fact, the calibration checked the Francis formula

$$Q = 3.33\ L\left[(H + h_v)^{3/2} - h_v^{3/2}\right]$$

so closely that a rating table based on this formula was used for all discharges above 20 cfs. For flows less than 20 cfs the rating table prepared by Parshall and Rohwer was used.

Measurement of the water surface elevations:- The water-surface elevations were measured at three points where the flow was essentially uniform. Each well was equipped with a Lory hook gage for determining the water-surface elevations. Two of these wells, Nos. 1 and 2, were installed about 10 ft upstream from the weir, one on each side of the flume for determining the head of the weir. By the use of a surveyor's level, the zero of each gage was found using the crest of the weir as a reference datum. Well No. 6, installed about 16 ft upstream from the metergate in the flume was referenced to the bottom invert of the gate by using the surveyor's level.

For high flows the maximum and minimum water-surface elevations in each well were read about four to six times during a run. Maximum and minimum water-surface elevations were determined by observing the water surface and following it with the hook gage so that when a maximum was reached the reading was recorded. The hook gage point was then made to follow the surface until a minimum was attained. This procedure was repeated four to six times during a run. For the low discharges the water-surface elevation was essentially constant, and only single readings were recorded about four to ten times during each run. When small variations were noticed, it was necessary to use more independent readings so that the average of the total number of readings approached the true average.

Measurement of the piezometric heads:- The three wells which measured the piezometric heads were located in zones of acceleration or in separation zones so that the water-surface elevation in the well represented a piezometric head and not an actual water surface. Since the water surface in a well fluctuated quite rapidly and sometimes varied over a range of one tenth of a foot, more readings were required to approach the correct average value. For high flows, as in the case of water-surface elevation determinations, the maximum and minimum elevations were measured for approximately four to six cycles

of water surface fluctuation. The average values of the maximum and minimum in a well were averaged in turn to give the final water-surface elevation to be used in the calculations. For low flows 20 to 50 simultaneous readings were taken at each of the three wells and the water surface elevations were calculated so that one indicated the head at a point just upstream from the entrance to the pipe, one at a point on the pipe 12 in. from the entrance, and the other at a point of $x/D = 2/3$ or 2.67 ft. downstream from the entrance. The well at $x/D = 2/3$ was an experimental one while the one at 12 in. was the well actually used in the calibration of the gate.

It is believed that sufficient care was taken in the reading of the fluctuating water surfaces to assure a high degree of accuracy in the values of piezometric head determined.

18-in. Metergate

The calibration tests on the 18-in. Armco Metergate were also made by staff members of the Colorado A & M College. The installation for testing was located at the Hydraulics Laboratory, Colorado A & M College. Fig. 5 illustrates the experimental facilities used in the testing. Flows up to 8 cfs were provided by a 20 horsepower propeller-type pump through a 14-in. pipe.

Measurement of the Discharge:- All discharges were measured by a 10½-in. orifice plate which had been carefully calibrated in place several months prior to testing. The orifice calibration which was under the direct supervision of Dr. Maurice L. Albertson, utilized large volumetric tanks located below the floor level of the laboratory. This calibration duplicated the results to within one percent of a previous calibration conducted by Mr. Carl Rohwer and Mr. Maxwell Parshall in 1942. The range of calibration was from 1 cfs to 8 cfs, which included all the flows utilized in testing the 18-in. metergate hence none of the required metergate calibration data was based on extrapolated flow values.

Measurement of the piezometric heads:- The piezometric head difference, which indicated the flow through the orifice meter, was obtained by an average of 4 to 10 independent readings, the number depending on the amount of fluctuation, taken during each run with a water manometer.

Two wells were used to measure the piezometric head difference across the metergate opening. One well measured the head at a point just upstream from the entrance to the pipe and the other well measured the head at a point on the pipe 12-in. from the entrance. Since $x/D = 2/3$ is identical with $x = 12$ in. for the 18-in. metergate, the latter well was identical with the third experimental well, set in each case to measure the

piezometric head at $x/D = 2/3$, used on the other sizes of metergates tested. By the use of a surveyor's level, the zero of each gage was found using the bottom invert of the gate as a reference datum.

Float indicators, which helped to damp the fluctuations, were used in the two wells for determining the water-surface elevations. For each test 20 to 100 readings, the number depending on the amount of fluctuation, were taken simultaneously at each well. The readings were spaced approximately two seconds apart.

12-in. and 8-in. Metergates

The calibration tests on the 12-in. and 8-in. Armco Metergates were supervised by Mr. James W. Ball and conducted by Mr. Joe B. Summers, Research and Geology Division, U. S. Bureau of Reclamation. The installation for testing was located at the Hydraulics Laboratory, which is under the direction of Mr. Harold M. Martin, U. S. Bureau of Reclamation, Federal Center, Denver, Colorado. Fig. 6 illustrates the experimental facilities used in the testing. Flows from 0.34 cfs to 7.27 cfs were provided by the laboratory pumping system.

Measurement of the Discharge:- The discharges were measured by 4 banks of calibrated Venturi meters, 4-in., 8-in., 10-in., and 12-in., located in the feeder line to the head box. The size of Venturi meter used was determined by the quantity of flow desired.

Measurement of the piezometric heads:- The piezometric head differences across the metergate openings were measured by piezometers in most cases, 10-in. wells being used occasionally for comparison purposes. While piezometers were tapped into the top of the pipe at many points, for both the 8-in. and 12-in. gates, one piezometer in each case indicated the head just upstream from the entrance to the pipe, one indicated the head at a point on the pipe 12-in. from the entrance, and a third experimental piezometer indicated the piezometric head at a point on the pipe of $x/D = 2/3$, or 0.667 ft. in the case of the 12-in. gate or 0.444 ft. in the case of the 8-in. gate downstream from the entrance. Fig. 6 shows a partial detail of the location of piezometer taps in the 8-in. installation.

The piezometers were connected to a central manometer bank which was scaled to 0.01 ft. of water; readings to the closest 0.005 ft. were easily estimated. Since fluctuations in the piezometers were damped to a large extent by carborundum disks set in the leads to the bank, approximately ten readings of each piezometer were considered sufficient to give an accurate test average.

Chapter III

PRESENTATION OF DATA

The experimental data, see Tables 1, 2, 3, and 4, were reduced to tabular form by graphical processes explained and illustrated in the following discussion. The graphs were made on logarithmic scales to provide a practical means of plotting the data which cover a wide range of values; furthermore, as shown by Eq. 6, it was anticipated that the locus of experimental points plotted in this manner would closely approximate a straight line.

The plotting of the experimental data for the 48-in., 18-in., 12-in., and 8-in. gates as discharge versus difference in head for various gate openings resulted in plots which were straight lines for relatively high values of Δh but which deviated from the straight line for the lower values of Δh, for example, see Fig. 7. Since it was necessary to interpolate for the intermediate gate openings and gate sizes to complete the tables, it was desirable to study the data to learn the causes of the deviation and the points of deviation. Therefore, (as suggested by the analysis in Chapter II) plots were made of the discharge coefficient C versus the relative head on the gate h/a with the relative gate opening a/D as the third variable, see Fig. 8. The relative location of the downstream well was kept at a constant value of x/D = 2/3. After careful examination of the data, it was concluded that for the 48-in., 18-in., 12-in., and 8-in. gates there was no consistent affect on variation of C because of variation in h/a. Plots of C versus Re with a/D as the third variable and x/D constant at 2/3 were made next for the 48-in., 18-in., 12-in., and 8-in. gates and the cause for the deviation at low discharges became apparent at once. With small head differences and corresponding relatively low values of Re, the discharge coefficient C increased as Re decreased for all gate openings for the 48-in. gate; increased for all but full gate openings, where C stayed constant for the 18-in. gate; increased for all gate openings below a/D = 0.9 where C stayed constant and then decreased for larger gate openings for the 12-in. gate; and C increased for all gate openings below a/D = 0.75 where C stayed constant and then decreased for larger gate openings for the 8-in. gate.

Since head differences for the well at x = 12-in. correlate well with head differences for x/D = 2/3, it was decided to plot C versus Re with A/D as the third variable based on head differences using the well at x = 12.in. Correlations between the 48-in., 18-in., 12-in., and 8-in. gates were consistent with varying a/D values.

From the above graphs a plot was made of C versus a/D for high values of Re, for constant C, and with gate size as the third variable, see Fig. 9. A second plot for high values

of Re was made for C versus gate size with a/D as the third variable. This plot was utilized to adjust the curves in Fig. 9. The adjusted curves, which were used to obtain the constant coefficients of discharge C for metergate sizes not tested, fitted the experimental data except for a few cases where the adjusted curve values deviated slightly from the average test data.

To obtain the final plots from which tabular values could be computed, C was plotted against Re with a/D as the third variable, for the 48-in., 18-in., 12-in., and 8-in. metergates, Figs. 10, 18, 21, and 23. Points of constant C with minimum Re were connected as shown by broken lines in Figs. 10, 17, 21 and 23. From Fig. 9, C values were obtained and plotted on Figs. 10, 17, 21 and 23 for intermediate gate openings not tested. The remaining portion of each curve (low Re) was interpolated between the calibrated curves. Figs. 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18, 19, 20 and 22 are final C versus Re plots obtained for the 42-in., 36-in., 30-in., 24-in., 21-in., 20-in., 16-in., 15-in., 14-in., and 10-in. metergates (which were not tested) by a series of interpolations: constant C values were obtained by interpolating between the adjusted calibrated curves for the 48-in., 18-in., 12-in., and 8-in. metergates as shown in Fig. 9; loci of constant C with minimum Re were obtained by interpolating between similar curves based on test data in Figs. 10, 17, 21 and 23; and the remaining portion of each curve (low Re) was easily obtained by interpolating between the portions (low Re) of the calibrated curves whose slopes were found to vary uniformly between gate sizes and gate openings.

In order to provide a direct solution for obtaining tabular values from the final plots, a third grid system, which was based on the dimensionless parameter, $D^2\Delta hg/\nu^2$, obtained by rearranging the variables in Eq. 1 through dimensional analysis, was added. In general, to find the discharge Q for a given head difference Δh, for a given size metergate, and a given gate opening, the following procedure can be utilized; solve the dimensionless parameter $D^2\Delta hg/\nu^2$ by substituting the pipe diameter in ft. for D; the given head difference in ft. for Δh; 32.2 ft. per sec. per sec. for acceleration of gravity g; and 1.21×10^{-5} sq. ft. per sec., based on a temperature of 60°F selected as the average condition for the United States, for kinematic viscosity ν. With this value for $D^2\Delta hg/\nu^2$, enter the figure which applies for the given gate size, and follow down the proper sloping line to the left until the curve representing the given gate opening is intersected. Finally, drop vertically down from this point, to read the value of Reynolds number Re from which either V or Q may be computed by the following equations:

Presentation of Data

$$R_e = \frac{VD}{\nu} = 0.826 \times 10^5 \, VD$$

or

$$R_e = \frac{4}{\pi} \frac{Q}{\nu D} = 1.052 \times 10^5 \frac{Q}{D}$$

From Fig. 10, utilizing the above method of computation, Table 5, Discharge Data for 48-in. Armco Motorgate was tabulated.

Chapter IV

DISCUSSION OF RESULTS

Although Eq. 8 included Reynolds number Re, it was believed at the outset that the influence of the relative head on the gate h/a was greater than the influence of Re and therefore the first analytical plot made, Fig. 8, was of discharge coefficient C versus h/a with the relative gate opening a/D as the third variable. However, close examination revealed a scattering of the points at low discharges demonstrating that some variable other than h/a was of paramount importance. Fig. 52 of Elementary Mechanics of Fluids, by Hunter Rouse, substantiates the foregoing conclusion in that the correspondingly smallest head on the orifice results in a deviation of 1.0% from the constant C of 0.61.

The second analytical plot, C versus Re with a/D as the third variable, resulted in no appreciable scatter of the data and yielded consistent trends demonstrating that Re was an important variable. This was substantiated by the fact that test data followed the same trend in spite of varying the relative head h/a on the gate for successive tests. Figs. 10, 17, 21 and 23 show these consistent gradual trends of C as Re decreases for all gate openings for the 48-in., 18-in., 12-in., and 8-in. metergate, the slopes varying consistently in all cases. The Reynolds number effect is due to the extent of development of the laminar sublayer at the entrance which in turn influences the separation point and the size and character of the separation zone downstream. The Reynolds number effect will vary with gate size having the greatest effect on the smaller size gates, since, while the radius of curvature of the leaf of the gate remains practically the same regardless of the size of the gate, the relative radius of curvature will become larger as the gate size becomes smaller.

Aside from possible variations in gate castings and settings, the discharge data, Table 5, obtained from Fig. 10 and the discharge data which can be obtained for the other size gates from Figs. 11 through 23, are accurate to within approximately ± 3%; however, the table is based on a water temperature of 60°F, which was assumed to be an average for the United States, and utilization of the tables with a deviation in water temperature of ± 20°F may cause an additional ± 1% error. Thus the data are accurate to ± 4% at the maximum deviation. This deviation may be found only under extreme conditions and under most conditions the maximum deviation will be only ± 2%.

Discussion of Results

For the 48-in. metergate a comparison of discharge data revealed that for relatively high discharges through the 2-in. gate opening, the Fresno curves read 28% high and for relatively high discharges through the 24-in. gate opening their curves read 18% low. Corresponding differences existed for other gate sizes.

Chapter V

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The calibration curves for the 48-in., 18-in., 12-in., and 8-in. metergates are based on accurate experimental data. While the remaining calibration curves for the 42-in., 36-in., 30-in., 24-in., 21-in., 16-in., 15-in., 14-in., and 10-in. metergates are based on interpolated data, the remarkably consistent relationships and trends between the curves based on test data indicates that the interpolated curves should be of an accuracy closely approaching the accuracy of the calibration curves based on test data.

The Armco Metergate Model No. 101 is highly suitable as a control and standard measuring device with utilization of the calibration curves, Figs. 10 through 23, if the final accuracy desired is not greater than that permitted by the normal variation in gate castings and settings.

As can be seen from Figs. 10, 17, 21 and 23, the portions of the C versus Re curves (high Re), which are horizontal or indicate a constant value of C, fit the test data very closely; hence, it is recommended that with a given metergate and for a required discharge the gate opening be regulated so that the operation takes place in the zone (high Re) to the right of the broken lines, Figs. 10 through 23, which connect points of constant C with minimum Re.

It is also recommended that the calibration data obtained from the above study be used for metergates whose settings do not vary greatly from the installations used in the testing program, see Figs. 4, 5 and 6.

Table 1

Experimental Calibration Data for 48-in. Armco Metergate Model No. 101*

Opening of Gate	Q cfs	Δh in ft. x = 12"	Δh in ft. x/D = 2/3	h/a	C x/D = 2/3	Re	C x = 12"
48"	60.29	0.982	0.726	2.020	0.700	12.88×10^5	0.602
	49.98	0.674	0.514	1.880	0.690	10.67×10^5	0.601
	42.44	0.485	0.359	1.779	0.701	9.06×10^5	0.603
	33.76	0.304	0.212	1.696	0.725	7.19×10^5	0.606
	21.68	0.123	0.084	1.596	0.743	4.65×10^5	0.612
36"	58.26	1.078	1.037	2.688	0.566	12.43×10^5	0.556
	56.17	1.009	0.968	2.651	0.565	12.02×10^5	0.552
	39.02	0.496	0.467	2.349	0.566	8.35×10^5	0.549
	14.65	0.067	0.059	2.334	0.597	3.12×10^5	0.561
	14.28	0.063	0.054	2.050	0.608	3.04×10^5	0.564
	26.41	0.225	0.203	2.187	0.580	5.64×10^5	0.552
24"	53.03	1.498	1.532	4.047	0.424	11.33×10^5	0.430
	32.39	0.579	0.589	3.466	0.420	6.95×10^5	0.423

*Data from Colorado A & M College - 18 ft. corrugated pipe including 4 ft. riser

Table 1 (continued)

Experimental Calibration Data for 48-in. Armco Metergate Model No. 101

Opening of Gate	Q cfs	Δh in ft. x = 12"	Δh in ft. x/D = 2/3	h/a	C x/D = 2/3	Re	C x = 12"
24"	25.17	0.350	0.349	3.303	0.422	5.39×10^5	0.421
	15.82	0.137	0.140	3.562	0.419	3.38×10^5	0.424
	10.12	0.052	0.050	3.429	0.488	2.16×10^5	0.441
16"	43.07	1.933	1.956	6.100	0.305	9.20×10^5	0.307
	32.46	1.103	1.114	5.480	0.304	6.93×10^5	0.306
	21.43	0.479	0.482	4.970	0.314	4.59×10^5	0.307
	17.48	0.316	0.318	4.820	0.306	3.73×10^5	0.308
	8.05	0.063	0.061	5.100	0.322	1.72×10^5	0.317
8"	25.03	2.258	2.255	12.26	0.165	5.36×10^5	0.165
	15.27	0.810	0.810	10.13	0.168	3.26×10^5	0.168
	9.37	0.304	0.300	10.54	0.169	2.00×10^5	0.168
	5.78	0.113	0.114	10.21	0.170	1.24×10^5	0.170
	3.60	0.044	0.044	8.64	0.171	0.77×10^5	0.170
4"	[illegible]	2.107	2.105	23.85	0.0837	2.61×10^5	0.0834
	8.16	0.919	0.916	22.80	0.0846	1.75×10^5	0.0845
	5.11	0.355	0.354	20.25	0.0855	1.09×10^5	0.0850
	2.92	0.113	0.114	17.17	0.0861	0.623×10^5	0.0862

Table 1 (continued)

Experimental Calibration Data for 48-in. Armco Metergate Model No. 101

Opening of Gate	Q cfs	Δh in ft. x = 12"	Δh in ft. x/D = 2/3	h/a	C x/D = 2/3	Re	C x = 12"
2"	6.01	2.417	2.417	49.00	0.0384	1.29×10^5	0.0383
	4.98	1.629	1.630	44.20	0.0388	1.06×10^5	0.0387
	3.33	0.710	0.7095	37.75	0.0393	0.711×10^5	0.0391
	2.57	0.412	0.4135	35.05	0.0397	0.550×10^5	0.0397
	1.41	0.117	0.1175	31.40	0.0409	0.301×10^5	0.0409

Table 2

Experimental Calibration Data for 18-in. Armco Metergate Model No. 101*

Opening of Gate	Q cfs	Δh in ft. x = 12"	Δh in ft. x/D = 2/3 **	h/a	C x/D = 2/3	Re	C x = 12" **
18"	8.01	0.570		2.020	0.749	5.91×10^5	
	6.96	0.406		1.862	0.768	5.13×10^5	
	6.24	0.315		1.750	0.784	4.61×10^5	
	6.23	0.311		1.744	0.789	4.60×10^5	
	5.84	0.281		1.697	0.779	4.31×10^5	
	5.15	0.212		1.602	0.787	3.81×10^5	
	4.46	0.171		1.842	0.764	3.30×10^5	
	3.78	0.126		1.590	0.749	2.78×10^5	
	2.25	0.046		1.380	0.742	1.66×10^5	
	2.07	0.038		2.210	0.749	1.53×10^5	
13 1/2"	2.14	0.054		2.470	0.653	1.59×10^5	
	2.10	0.051		1.833	0.655	1.55×10^5	
	2.02	0.048		2.980	0.651	1.49×10^5	

* Data from Colorado A & M College - 6 ft. corrugated pipe

** Since x/D = 2/3 is identical with x = 12", values are identical with values in corresponding column

Table 2 (continued)

Experimental Calibration Data for 18-in. Armco Metergate Model No. 101

Opening of Gate	Q cfs	Δh in ft. x = 12"	Δh in ft. x/D = 2/3 **	h/a	C x/D = 2/3	Re	C x = 12" **
9"	6.96	1.120		6.582	0.462	5.13×10^5	
	6.28	0.920		6.138	0.461	4.63×10^5	
	6.24	0.924		4.444	0.456	4.61×10^5	
	5.03	0.601		5.482	0.456	3.71×10^5	
	3.77	0.338		5.542	0.456	2.78×10^5	
	2.54	0.149		2.896	0.464	1.88×10^5	
	1.57	0.058		4.526	0.459	1.16×10^5	
3"	2.80	1.242		13.36	0.177	2.07×10^5	
	2.62	1.072		13.00	0.179	1.93×10^5	
	2.37	0.894		12.30	0.177	1.75×10^5	
	1.96	0.626		11.21	0.175	1.45×10^5	
	1.58	0.388		10.16	0.179	1.17×10^5	
	1.25	0.220		11.34	0.185	0.908×10^5	
	[illegible]	0.210		9.29[illegible]	0.180	0.865×10^5	
	1.13	0.190		8.808	0.183	0.832×10^5	

** Since x/D = 2/3 is identical with x = 12", values are identical with values in corresponding column.

Table 3

Experimental Calibration Data for 12-in. Armco Metergate Model No. 101*

Opening of Gate	Q cfs	Δh in ft. x = 12"	Δh in ft. x/D = 2/3	h/a	C x/D = 2/3	Re	C x = 12"
12"	7.27	2.13	2.28	4.23	0.764	8.80×10^5	0.788
	6.14	1.60	1.66	3.54	0.755	7.44×10^5	0.767
	5.08	1.06	1.19	2.87	0.739	6.16×10^5	0.780
	3.98	0.66	0.77	2.32	0.720	4.82×10^5	0.774
	3.85	0.59	0.60	2.14	0.789	4.66×10^5	0.793
	2.95	0.37	0.48	1.98	0.677	3.58×10^5	0.768
	2.31	0.25	0.28	1.75	0.694	2.81×10^5	0.732
	2.02	0.20	0.22	1.76	0.685	2.45×10^5	0.714
9"	4.64	1.16	1.39	4.12	0.624	5.62×10^5	0.682
	4.26	0.98	1.28	3.44	0.598	5.16×10^5	0.679
	3.64	0.72	0.85	3.07	0.627	4.41×10^5	0.679
	2.98	0.49	0.57	2.69	0.626	3.61×10^5	0.675
	2.12	0.24	0.29	2.35	0.625	2.57×10^5	0.686
	1.24	0.08	0.10	2.09	0.623	1.50×10^5	0.694
8"	4.23	1.18	1.21	4.02	0.610	5.13×10^5	0.616
	4.18	1.17	1.22	4.38	0.603	5.06×10^5	0.612
	3.14	0.67	0.69	3.29	0.603	3.80×10^5	0.608

* Data from U. S. Bureau of Reclamation - 2 ft. corrugated pipe, 18 ft. smooth pipe

Table 3 (continued)

Experimental Calibration Data for 12-in. Armco Metergate Model No. 101

Opening of Gate	Q cfs	Δh in ft. x = 12"	Δh in ft. x/D = 2/3	h/a	C x/D = 2/3	Re	C x = 12"
8"	2.73	0.48	0.50	2.98	0.613	3.31×10^5	0.625
	1.92	0.23	0.26	2.61	0.598	2.32×10^5	0.635
6"	2.63	0.74	0.76	4.70	0.478	3.19×10^5	0.486
	2.63	0.73	0.77	4.50	0.476	3.19×10^5	0.489
	2.16	0.50	0.53	4.00	0.470	2.61×10^5	0.484
	1.86	0.35	0.40	3.70	0.466	2.25×10^5	0.499
	1.55	0.24	0.29	3.50	0.456	1.88×10^5	0.502
4"	2.30	1.20	1.23	9.09	0.329	2.79×10^5	0.333
	1.52	0.48	0.59	6.90	0.314	1.84×10^5	0.348
	1.22	0.30	0.34	6.18	0.332	1.48×10^5	0.353
	0.76	0.11	0.11	5.16	0.360	0.920×10^5	0.363
2"	2.08	3.38	3.37	29.50	0.179	2.52×10^5	0.180
	1.43	1.63	1.67	19.80	0.176	1.73×10^5	0.178
	0.93	0.65	0.64	13.70	0.185	1.13×10^5	0.183
	0.72	0.36	0.46	11.50	0.169	0.873×10^5	0.191
	0.64	0.29	0.32	10.50	0.179	0.777×10^5	0.189
	0.51	0.19	0.18	9.12	0.191	0.620×10^5	0.186

Table 4

Experimental Calibration Data for 8-in. Armco Metergate Model No. 101*

Opening of Gate	Q cfs	Δh in ft. x = 12"	Δh in ft. x/D = 2/3	h/a	C x/D = 2/3	Re	C x = 12"
8"	2.34	1.08	1.09	6.06	0.801	4.03×10^5	0.804
	2.31	1.02	1.05	5.76	0.805	4.00×10^5	0.317
	2.02	0.79	0.78	4.67	0.821	3.50×10^5	0.311
	1.82	0.66	0.68	4.56	0.791	3.16×10^5	0.300
	1.81	0.67	0.71-	4.09	0.768	3.15×10^5	0.789
	1.56	0.49	---	3.75	---	2.71×10^5	0.796
	1.52	0.48	0.48	3.16	0.784	2.64×10^5	0.782
	1.43	0.40	0.42	3.34	0.788	2.49×10^5	0.806
	1.42	0.40	0.41	4.85	0.792	2.47×10^5	0.802
	1.11	0.25	0.26	2.25	0.779	1.93×10^5	0.793
	1.10	0.24	0.24	4.62	0.803	1.91×10^5	0.803
	0.87	0.16	---	---	---	1.51×10^5	0.777
	0.81	0.14	---	---	---	1.41×10^5	0.772
	0.73	0.11	---	---	---	1.27×10^5	0.786
7"	2.24	1.00	---	6.51	---	3.89×10^5	0.800
	1.87	0.72	---	4.91	---	3.25×10^5	0.787

* Data from U. S. Bureau of Reclamation - 20 ft. corrugated pipe

Table 4 (continued)

Experimental Calibration Data for 8-in. Armco Metergate Model No. 101

Opening of Gate	Q cfs	Δh in ft. x = 12"	Δh in ft. x/D = 2/3	h/a	C x/D = 2/3	Re	C x = 12"
7"	1.70	0.59	---	4.20	---	2.95×10^5	0.790
	1.44	0.43	---	3.38	---	2.50×10^5	0.785
	1.19	0.31	---	2.72	---	2.06×10^5	0.763
	1.05	0.23	---	---	---	1.82×10^5	0.782
	0.97	0.19	---	2.12	---	1.68×10^5	0.795
	0.97	0.20	---	4.27	---	1.68×10^5	0.775
	0.87	0.17	---	---	---	1.51×10^5	0.754
	0.81	0.14	---	---	---	1.41×10^5	0.774
	0.81	0.14	---	---	---	1.41×10^5	0.774
	0.69	0.10	---	---	---	1.20×10^5	0.780
6"	2.14	1.10	1.36	7.48	0.653	3.72×10^5	0.726
	1.83	0.79	0.98	5.78	0.661	3.18×10^5	0.733
	1.65	0.65	0.80	3.02	0.663	2.87×10^5	0.729
	1.44	0.51	0.64	4.26	0.643	2.50×10^5	0.718
	1.20	0.38	0.48	3.52	0.622	2.08×10^5	0.693
	1.10	0.30	---	---	---	1.91×10^5	0.724
	0.97	0.22	0.27	3.58	0.664	1.69×10^5	0.737

Table 4 (continued)

Experimental Calibration Data for 8-in. Armco Metergate Model No. 101

Opening of Gate	Q cfs	Δh in ft. x = 12"	Δh in ft. x/D = 2/3	h/a	C x/D = 2/3	Re	C x = 12"
6"	0.97	0.22	0.28	3.02	0.656	1.69×10^5	0.737
	0.80	0.155	---	---	---	1.39×10^5	0.726
	0.80	0.155	---	---	---	1.39×10^5	0.726
	0.76	0.14	---	---	---	1.32×10^5	0.725
	0.69	0.12	---	---	---	1.20×10^5	0.712
5"	2.14	1.40	---	9.58	---	3.72×10^5	0.646
	1.78	0.96	---	7.18	---	3.09×10^5	0.650
	1.46	0.66	---	5.43	---	2.54×10^5	0.641
	1.16	0.41	---	4.01	---	2.02×10^5	0.646
	0.96	0.28	---	3.24	---	1.67×10^5	0.648
	0.85	0.21	---	2.78	---	1.48×10^5	0.663
	0.81	0.195	---	---	---	1.41×10^5	0.655
	0.76	0.17	---	---	---	1.32×10^5	0.658
	0.70	0.14	---	---	---	1.22×10^5	0.668
	0.63	0.11	---	---	---	1.09×10^5	0.678
	0.62	0.11	---	---	---	1.08×10^5	0.654
4"	1.99	1.79	2.12	13.05	0.490	3.46×10^5	0.531

Table 4 (continued)

Experimental Calibration Data for 8-in. Armco Metergate Model No. 101

Opening of Gate	Q cfs	Δh in ft. x = 12"	Δh in ft. x/D = 2/3	h/a	C x/D = 2/3	Re	C x = 12"
4"	1.73	1.36	1.60	10.59	0.490	3.01×10^5	0.530
	1.30	0.76	0.90	7.41	0.489	2.26×10^5	0.532
	1.15	0.58	0.69	6.36	0.496	2.00×10^5	0.539
	0.94	0.39	0.47	5.16	0.487	1.63×10^5	0.538
	0.89	0.35	---	---	---	1.55×10^5	0.537
	0.74	0.23	0.28	4.11	0.500	1.29×10^5	0.551
	0.73	0.23	---	---	---	1.27×10^5	0.544
	0.66	0.18	---	---	---	1.15×10^5	0.548
	0.57	0.13	---	---	---	0.990×10^5	0.556
	0.51	0.10	---	---	---	0.886×10^5	0.562
	0.51	0.10	---	---	---	0.886×10^5	0.562
3"	1.78	2.21	---	16.60	---	3.09×10^5	0.428
	1.15	0.90	---	8.68	---	2.00×10^5	0.433
	1.06	0.79	---	7.96	---	1.84×10^5	0.426
	0.91	0.58	---	6.56	---	1.58×10^5	0.426
	0.80	0.44	---	---	---	1.39×10^5	0.430
	0.69	0.33	---	---	---	1.20×10^5	0.429

Table 4 (continued)

Experimental Calibration Data for 8-in. Armco Metergate Model No. 101

Opening of Gate	Q cfs	Δh in ft. x = 12"	Δh in ft. x/D = 2/3	h/a	C x/D = 2/3	Re	C x = 12"
3"	0.65	0.27	---	---	---	1.13×10^5	0.447
	0.58	0.22	---	---	---	1.01×10^5	0.446
	0.53	0.18	---	---	---	0.921×10^5	0.453
	0.51	0.17	---	5.28	---	0.886×10^5	0.441
	0.46	0.13	---	---	---	0.802×10^5	0.456
	0.41	0.10	---	---	---	0.715×10^5	0.463
2"	0.97	1.32	1.48	16.86	0.284	1.68×10^5	0.302
	0.93	1.25	1.39	16.20	0.281	1.62×10^5	0.297
	0.89	1.23	1.37	16.02	0.271	1.55×10^5	0.287
	0.80	0.91	1.01	13.50	0.284	1.39×10^5	0.300
	0.66	0.62	0.69	11.10	0.284	1.15×10^5	0.300
	0.64	0.56	---	---	---	1.11×10^5	0.307
	0.62	0.55	0.61	10.44	0.284	1.08×10^5	0.299
	0.45	0.28	---	---	---	0.781×10^5	0.301
	0.42	0.24	0.27	12.90	0.288	0.730×10^5	0.306
	0.38	0.18	---	---	---	0.660×10^5	0.320
	0.34	0.14	0.16	6.78	0.304	0.590×10^5	0.325

Table 4 (continued)

Experimental Calibration Data for 8-in. Armco Metergate Model No. 101

Opening of Gate	Q cfs	Δh in ft x = 12"	Δh in ft. x/D = 2/3	h/a	C x/D = 2/3	Re	C x = 12"
2"	0.34	0.14	0.16	10.98	0.304	0.590×10^5	0.325
	0.33	0.14	---	---	---	0.574×10^5	0.319
	0.28	0.10	---	---	---	0.486×10^5	0.325

Table 5

Discharge Data
48-in. Armco Metergate Model No. 101

ead in ches	Net Gate Opening Inches									
	2	2½	3	3½	4	4½	5	5½	6	
	Discharge in Cubic Feet per Second									
1	1.19	1.51	1.85	2.21	2.52	2.84	3.15	3.45	3.75	4.34
1¼	1.32	1.69	2.06	2.47	2.80	3.16	3.50	3.83	4.18	4.84
1½	1.43	1.87	2.25	2.70	3.06	3.44	3.83	4.19	4.55	5.29
1¾	1.54	2.00	2.43	2.91	3.29	3.70	4.13	4.50	4.90	5.70
2	1.65	2.12	2.59	3.10	3.52	3.95	4.40	4.80	5.24	6.09
2¼	1.75	2.24	2.74	3.29	3.72	4.20	4.66	5.08	5.56	6.46
2½	1.84	2.36	2.89	3.47	3.92	4.42	4.92	5.36	5.87	6.8[illegible]
2¾	1.93	2.48	3.02	3.63	4.11	4.64	5.16	5.62	6.14	7.1[illegible]
3	2.01	2.59	3.15	3.79	4.29	4.85	5.39	5.86	6.40	7.4[illegible]
3¼	2.09	2.69	3.27	3.94	4.45	5.05	5.60	6.10	6.66	7.7[illegible]
3½	2.17	2.79	3.39	4.08	4.61	5.23	5.81	6.33	6.89	8.0[illegible]
3¾	2.24	2.88	3.51	4.22	4.77	5.40	6.02	6.56	7.12	8.2[illegible]
4	2.31	2.97	3.63	4.36	4.92	5.56	6.22	6.79	7.35	8.5[illegible]
4¼	2.38	3.06	3.74	4.49	5.07	5.71	6.40	7.00	7.58	8.8[illegible]
4½	2.44	3.15	3.84	4.62	5.20	5.87	6.58	7.19	7.81	9.0[illegible]
4¾	2.51	3.24	3.94	4.74	5.33	6.01	6.76	7.36	8.03	9.3[illegible]
5	2.57	3.32	4.05	4.85	5.46	6.18	6.93	7.55	8.23	9.5[illegible]
5½	2.68	3.47	4.23	5.07	5.73	6.48	7.24	7.92	8.63	10.0[illegible]
6	2.79	3.62	4.41	5.29	5.97	6.75	7.55	8.28	9.01	10.4[illegible]
6½	2.90	3.76	4.59	5.51	6.20	7.02	7.86	8.62	9.38	10.9[illegible]

Table 5 (continued)

ad in hes	Net Gate Opening Inches									
	2	$2\frac{1}{2}$	3	$3\frac{1}{2}$	4	$4\frac{1}{2}$	5	$5\frac{1}{2}$	6	7
	Discharge in Cubic Feet per Second									
7	3.00	3.90	4.76	5.72	6.43	7.28	8.16	8.95	9.74	11.32
$7\frac{1}{2}$	3.10	4.04	4.92	5.92	6.66	7.54	8.54	9.25	10.09	11.72
8	3.20	4.16	5.08	6.10	6.88	7.79	8.73	9.55	10.41	12.11
$8\frac{1}{2}$	3.30	4.28	5.22	6.27	7.10	8.02	9.00	9.85	10.73	12.48
9	3.40	4.40	5.37	6.44	7.30	8.25	9.26	10.13	11.04	12.85
$9\frac{1}{2}$	3.49	4.52	5.52	6.61	7.50	8.48	9.51	10.41	11.35	13.20
.0	3.58	4.63	5.67	6.77	7.69	8.70	9.76	10.69	11.64	13.53
.1	3.74	4.85	5.94	7.10	8.05	9.13	10.23	11.20	12.20	14.19
.2	3.90	5.06	6.20	7.42	8.41	9.53	10.70	11.71	12.76	14.84
.3	4.05	5.26	6.43	7.72	8.75	9.92	11.12	12.19	13.30	15.42
.4	4.20	4.46	6.66	8.01	9.08	10.30	11.54	12.64	13.78	16.01
.5	4.35	5.65	6.89	8.29	9.40	10.65	11.95	13.10	14.26	16.58
.6	4.50	5.83	7.10	8.56	9.70	11.00	12.34	13.52	14.72	17.11
.7	4.63	6.01	7.31	8.82	10.00	11.34	12.72	13.93	15.18	17.64
.8	4.76	6.18	7.52	9.08	10.30	11.67	13.10	14.33	15.61	18.17

Table 5 (continued)

Discharge Data
48-in. Armco Metergate Model No. 101

Head in Inches	Net Gate Opening Inches									
	8	9	10	11	12	14	16	18	20	22
	Discharge in Cubic Feet per Second									
1	4.93	5.48	6.05	6.56	7.12	8.06	9.00	9.88	10.78	11.73
1¼	5.48	6.11	6.73	7.30	7.88	8.98	10.00	10.94	12.00	12.98
1½	5.98	6.67	7.33	7.96	8.58	9.79	10.91	11.98	13.14	14.22
1¾	6.44	7.20	7.90	8.55	9.25	10.57	11.79	12.92	14.20	15.34
2	6.90	7.66	8.43	9.08	9.89	11.28	12.60	13.82	15.18	16.42
2¼	7.32	8.12	8.95	9.61	10.49	11.98	13.37	14.67	16.10	17.40
2½	7.70	8.56	9.44	10.12	11.05	12.63	14.10	15.47	16.96	18.34
2¾	8.05	8.97	9.90	10.62	11.60	13.24	14.78	16.21	17.80	19.23
3	8.40	9.37	10.33	11.10	12.11	13.83	15.43	16.93	18.60	20.10
3¼	8.75	9.76	10.76	11.55	12.60	14.40	16.06	17.62	19.34	20.95
3½	9.10	10.13	11.18	11.98	13.08	14.92	16.67	18.29	20.07	21.71
3¾	9.42	10.49	11.56	12.40	13.53	15.44	17.26	18.93	20.79	22.45
4	9.73	10.83	11.94	12.81	13.98	15.94	17.82	19.57	21.47	23.19
4¼	10.03	11.17	12.31	13.20	14.41	16.44	18.37	20.16	22.13	23.92
4½	10.32	11.49	12.66	13.59	14.83	16.92	18.90	20.74	22.78	24.62
4¾	10.61	11.80	13.00	13.96	15.23	17.40	19.41	21.31	23.39	25.30
5	10.88	12.10	13.34	14.32	15.62	17.88	19.91	21.85	23.99	25.95
5½	11.40	12.70	14.00	15.01	16.40	18.73	20.90	22.93	25.19	27.21
6	11.90	13.26	14.61	15.70	17.13	19.54	21.83	23.96	26.29	28.42
6½	12.40	13.81	15.20	16.32	17.83	20.35	22.72	24.94	27.38	29.60

Table 5 (continued)

ad n hes	Net Gate Opening Inches 8	9	10	11	12	14	16	18	20	22
	Discharge in Cubic Feet per Second									
7	12.87	14.32	15.78	16.93	18.50	21.10	23.58	25.85	28.40	30.70
7½	13.32	14.82	16.34	17.53	19.14	21.85	24.40	26.76	29.38	31.80
8	13.75	15.31	16.88	18.13	19.77	22.60	25.20	27.65	30.33	32.80
8½	14.18	15.79	17.40	18.67	20.38	23.30	26.00	28.51	31.27	33.80
9	14.60	16.24	17.90	19.21	20.97	23.95	26.75	29.34	32.19	34.80
9½	15.00	16.68	18.39	19.73	21.56	24.60	27.47	30.13	33.07	35.75
10	15.38	17.11	18.87	20.24	22.11	25.22	28.18	30.90	33.93	36.65
11	16.13	17.95	19.79	21.23	23.19	26.46	29.53	32.41	35.60	38.45
12	16.85	18.77	20.68	22.19	24.22	27.65	30.86	33.84	37.15	40.20
13	17.53	19.51	21.52	23.08	25.20	28.75	32.12	35.24	38.65	41.80
14	18.20	20.25	22.33	23.96	26.16	29.85	33.35	36.60	40.15	43.40
15	18.84	20.96	23.13	24.80	27.08	30.95	34.50	37.90	41.60	44.95
16	19.45	21.64	23.87	25.61	27.95	31.95	35.65	39.10	42.95	46.40
17	20.05	22.31	24.60	26.40	28.81	32.90	36.75	40.30	44.25	47.80
18	20.64	22.97	25.32	27.18	29.66	33.84	37.80	41.50	45.55	49.20

Table 5 (continued)

Discharge Data
48-in. Armco Metergate Model No. 101

Head in Inches	Net Gate Opening Inches								
	24	26	28	30	34	38	42	46	48
	Discharge in cubic Feet per Second								
1	12.46	13.23	13.92	14.72	15.82	17.00	17.20	17.67	17.78
1¼	13.81	14.70	15.55	16.32	17.57	18.75	19.10	19.59	19.78
1½	15.16	16.12	17.05	17.85	19.20	20.30	21.00	21.48	21.68
1¾	16.37	17.42	18.42	19.23	20.72	21.84	22.63	23.24	23.38
2	17.50	18.63	19.70	20.60	22.10	23.33	24.15	24.78	24.98
2¼	18.57	19.76	20.89	21.83	23.40	24.67	25.60	26.21	26.36
2½	19.57	20.85	22.02	23.05	24.65	26.00	26.95	27.63	27.74
2¾	20.52	21.85	23.10	24.15	25.87	27.28	28.30	29.00	29.12
3	21.42	22.82	24.13	25.20	27.02	28.50	29.65	30.35	30.50
3¼	22.30	23.77	25.13	26.25	28.14	29.67	30.90	31.53	31.66
3½	23.15	24.67	26.09	27.25	29.20	30.80	32.07	32.69	32.81
3¾	23.96	25.52	26.98	28.18	30.20	31.85	33.17	33.85	33.93
4	24.75	26.36	27.85	29.10	31.20	32.90	34.27	34.98	35.05
4¼	25.52	27.18	28.70	30.00	32.20	33.93	35.32	36.05	36.17
4½	26.25	27.95	29.53	30.87	33.11	34.90	36.36	37.06	37.20
4¾	26.97	28.71	30.34	31.72	34.01	35.88	37.34	38.07	38.20
5	27.65	29.45	31.14	32.57	34.88	36.80	38.30	39.08	39.20
5½	29.01	30.88	32.65	34.15	36.60	38.57	40.20	41.00	41.16
6	30.32	32.25	34.10	35.67	38.20	40.30	41.97	42.78	42.98
6½	31.55	33.60	35.50	37.10	39.75	42.95	43.68	44.55	44.70

Table 5 (continued

Head in Inches	Net Gate Opening Inches								
	24	26	28	30	34	38	42	46	48
	Discharge in cubic Feet per Second								
7	32.78	34.87	36.85	38.50	41.30	43.52	45.32	46.23	46.42
7½	33.90	36.10	38.12	39.85	42.74	45.05	46.90	47.85	48.05
8	35.01	37.23	39.40	41.15	44.17	46.50	48.46	49.43	49.62
8½	36.10	38.40	40.65	42.40	45.50	47.95	49.95	50.96	51.17
9	37.15	39.55	41.80	43.65	46.80	49.35	51.40	52.48	52.64
9½	38.15	40.65	42.91	44.83	48.05	50.70	52.80	53.89	54.10
10	39.15	41.67	44.02	46.00	49.29	52.00	54.19	55.26	55.48
11	41.10	43.70	46.20	48.30	51.70	54.60	56.83	58.00	58.20
12	42.90	45.60	48.25	50.45	54.10	57.00	59.40	60.55	60.75
13	44.68	47.50	50.20	52.50	56.25	59.30	61.79	63.00	63.24
14	46.35	49.32	52.15	54.50	58.40	61.53	64.15	65.40	65.65
15	47.95	51.00	54.00	56.40	60.40	63.70	66.36	67.65	67.93
16	49.50	52.68	55.70	58.20	62.40	65.80	68.50	69.85	70.15
17	51.00	54.35	57.40	60.00	64.40	67.85	70.63	72.10	72.37
18	52.50	55.85	59.03	61.70	66.20	69.80	72.67	74.10	74.48

Fig. 1
General View of Laboratory on Cache La Poudre River
Flow from Diversion Works at Left Through Flume to Calibrated Weir at Right
Calibration 48-in Armco Metergate Model No. 101
Colorado A & M College Hydraulics Laboratory, Bellvue, Colorado

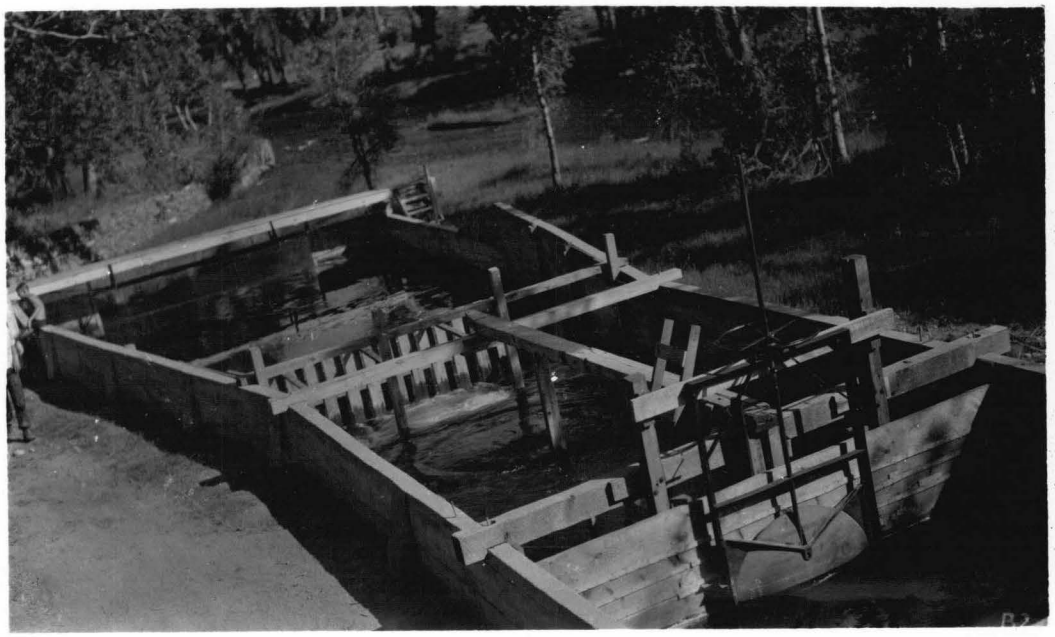


Fig. 2
Flow Patterns Downstream from Metergate to Calibrated Weir
Calibration 48-in Armco Metergate ~~to~~ Model No. 101
Colorado A & M College Hydraulics Laboratory, Bellvue, Colorado

Fig. 3
Metergate and Flume Viewed from Downstream
Calibration 48-in Armco Metergate Model No. 101
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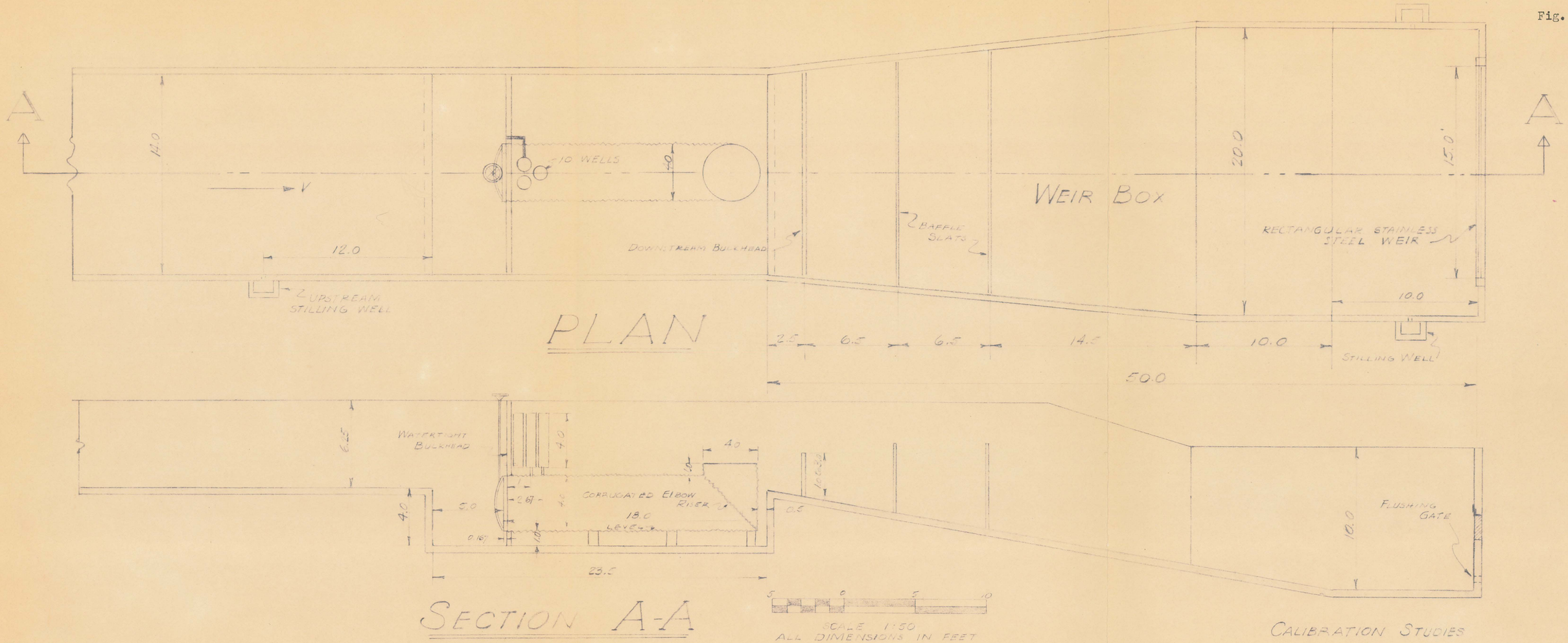
Fig. 4



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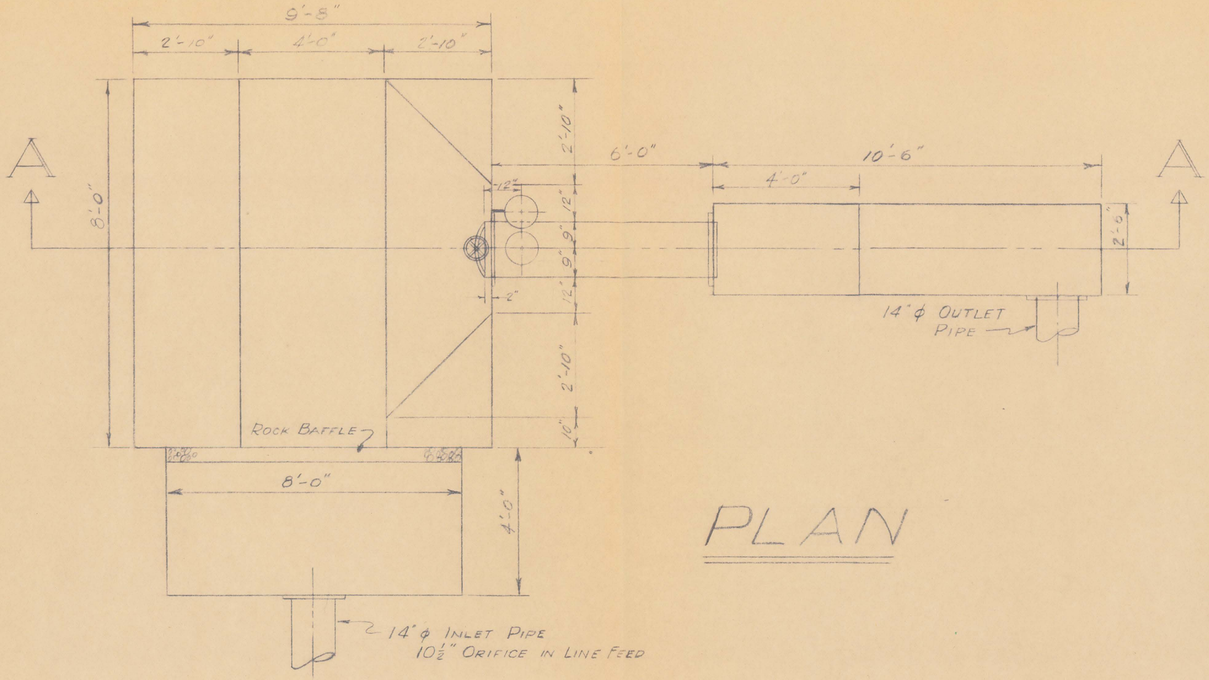

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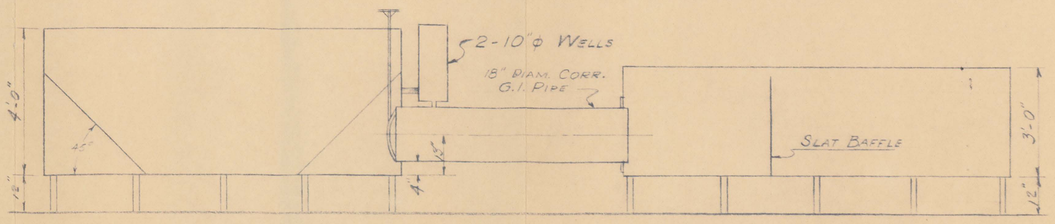

SECTION A-A

Calibration Studies
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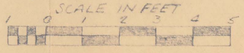
Hydraulics Laboratory
Fort Collins, Colo. December, 1950



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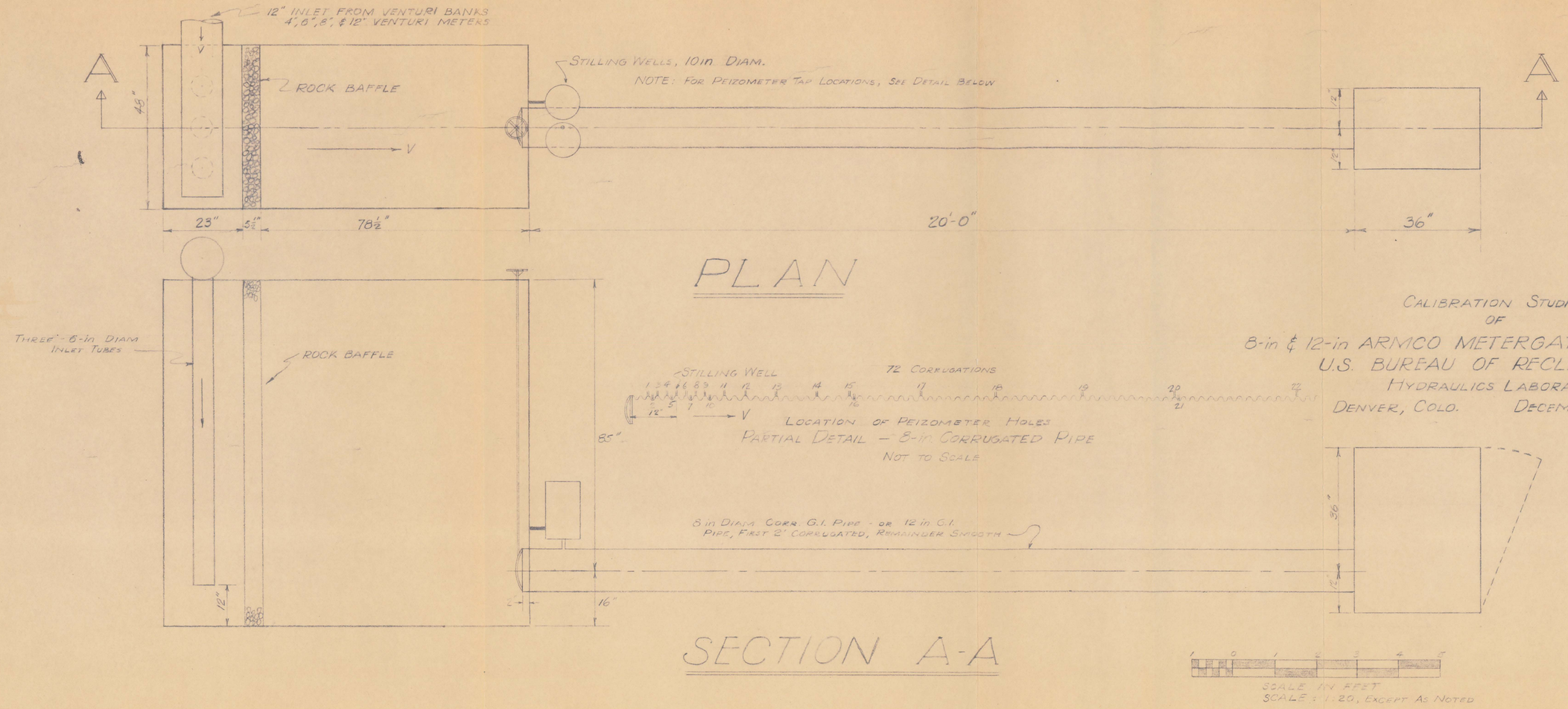
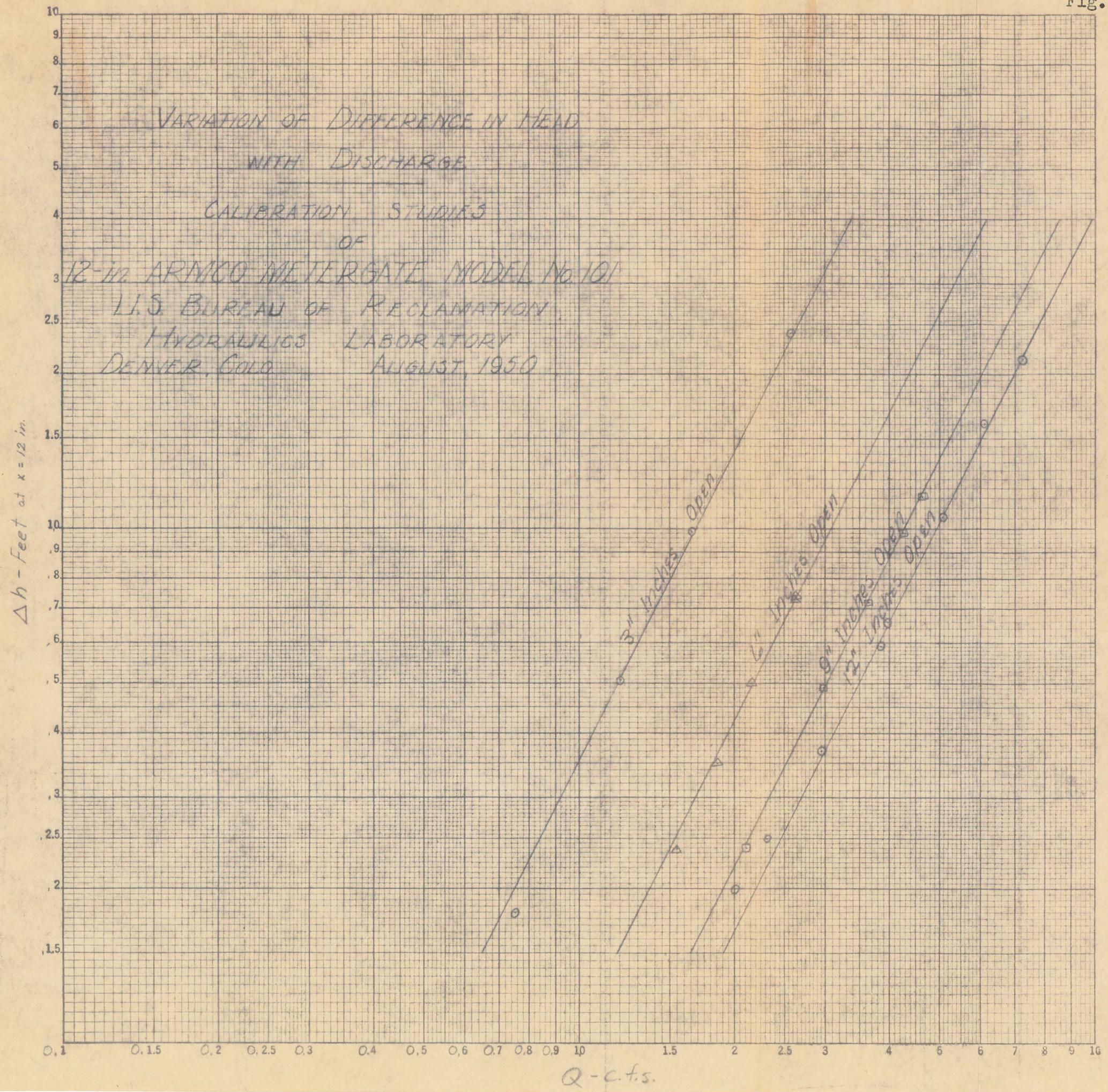
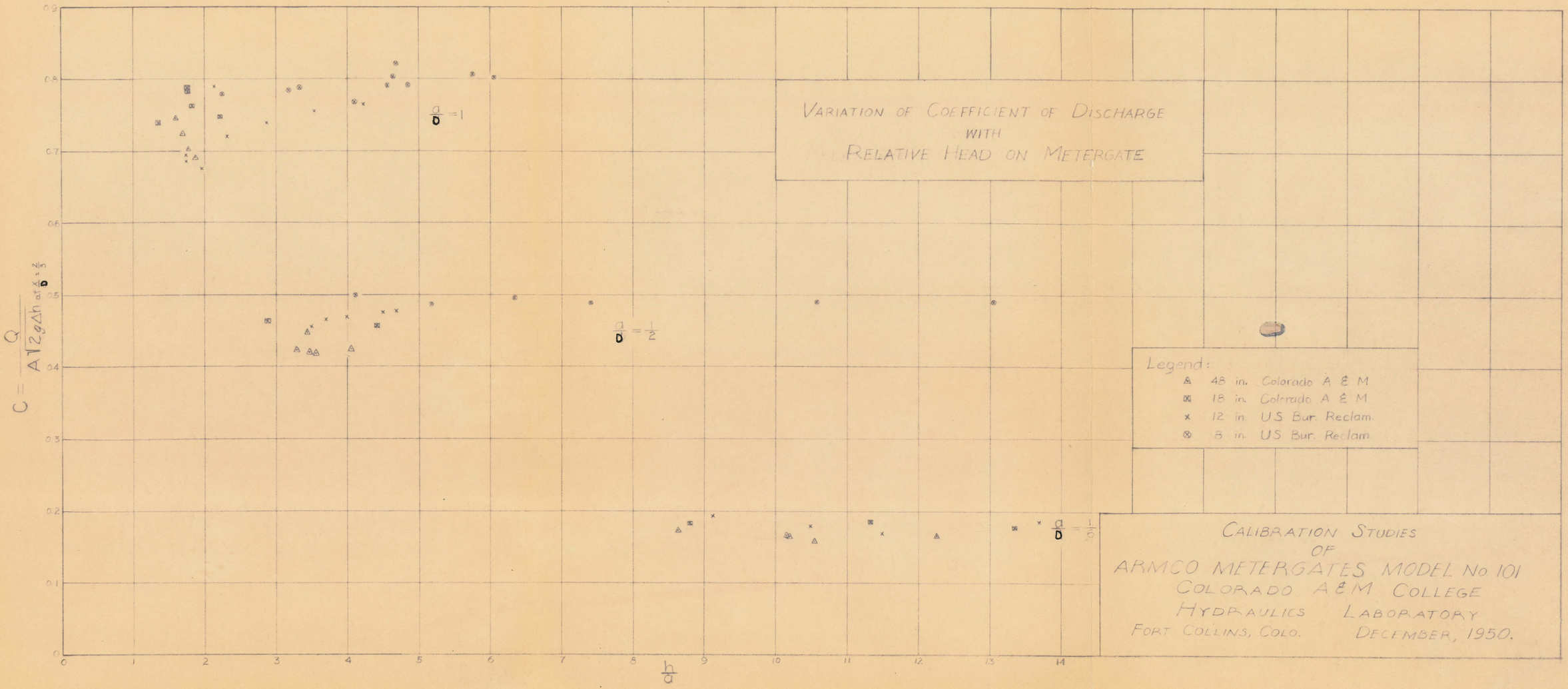


CALIBRATION STUDIES
OF
8-in & 12-in ARMCO METERGATE, MODEL No. 101
U.S. BUREAU OF RECLAMATION
HYDRAULICS LABORATORY
DENVER, COLO. DECEMBER, 1950

Fig. 7


VARIATION OF DIFFERENCE IN HEAD
WITH DISCHARGE
CALIBRATION STUDIES
OF
12-in. ARMCO METERGATE MODEL No. 101
U.S. BUREAU OF RECLAMATION
HYDRAULICS LABORATORY
DENVER, COLO. AUGUST, 1950
3" Inches Open
6" Inches Open
9" Inches Open
12" Inches Open
Δh - Feet at x = 12 in.
Q - c.f.s.


VARIATION OF COEFFICIENT OF DISCHARGE
WITH
RELATIVE HEAD ON METERGATE
$C = \frac{Q}{A\sqrt{2g\Delta h}\ \text{at}\ \frac{h}{a} = \frac{2}{3}}$
$\frac{a}{D} = 1$
$\frac{a}{D} = \frac{1}{2}$
$\frac{a}{D} = \frac{1}{3}$
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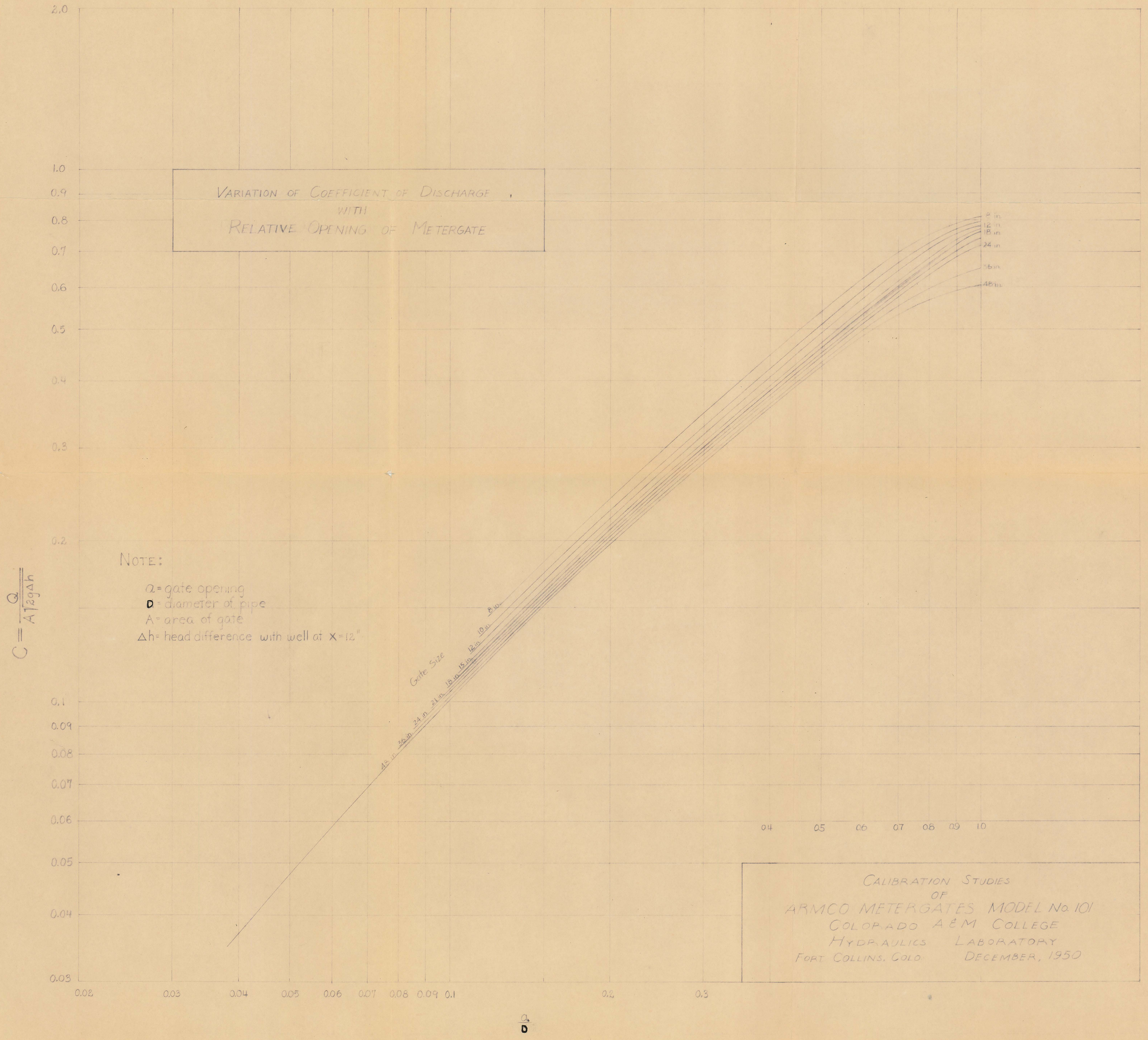
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
11
12
13
14
Legend:
48 in. Colorado A & M
18 in. Colorado A & M
12 in. US Bur. Reclam.
8 in. US Bur. Reclam.
CALIBRATION STUDIES
OF
ARMCO METERGATES MODEL No. 101
COLORADO A & M COLLEGE
HYDRAULICS LABORATORY
FORT COLLINS, COLO. DECEMBER, 1950.


VARIATION OF COEFFICIENT OF DISCHARGE
WITH
RELATIVE OPENING OF METERGATE
NOTE:
a = gate opening
D = diameter of pipe
A = area of gate
Δh = head difference with well at X = 12"
$C = \frac{Q}{A\sqrt{2g\Delta h}}$
Gate Size
8 in
10 in
12 in
15 in
18 in
24 in
36 in
48 in
2.0
1.0
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0.8
0.7
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0.08
0.07
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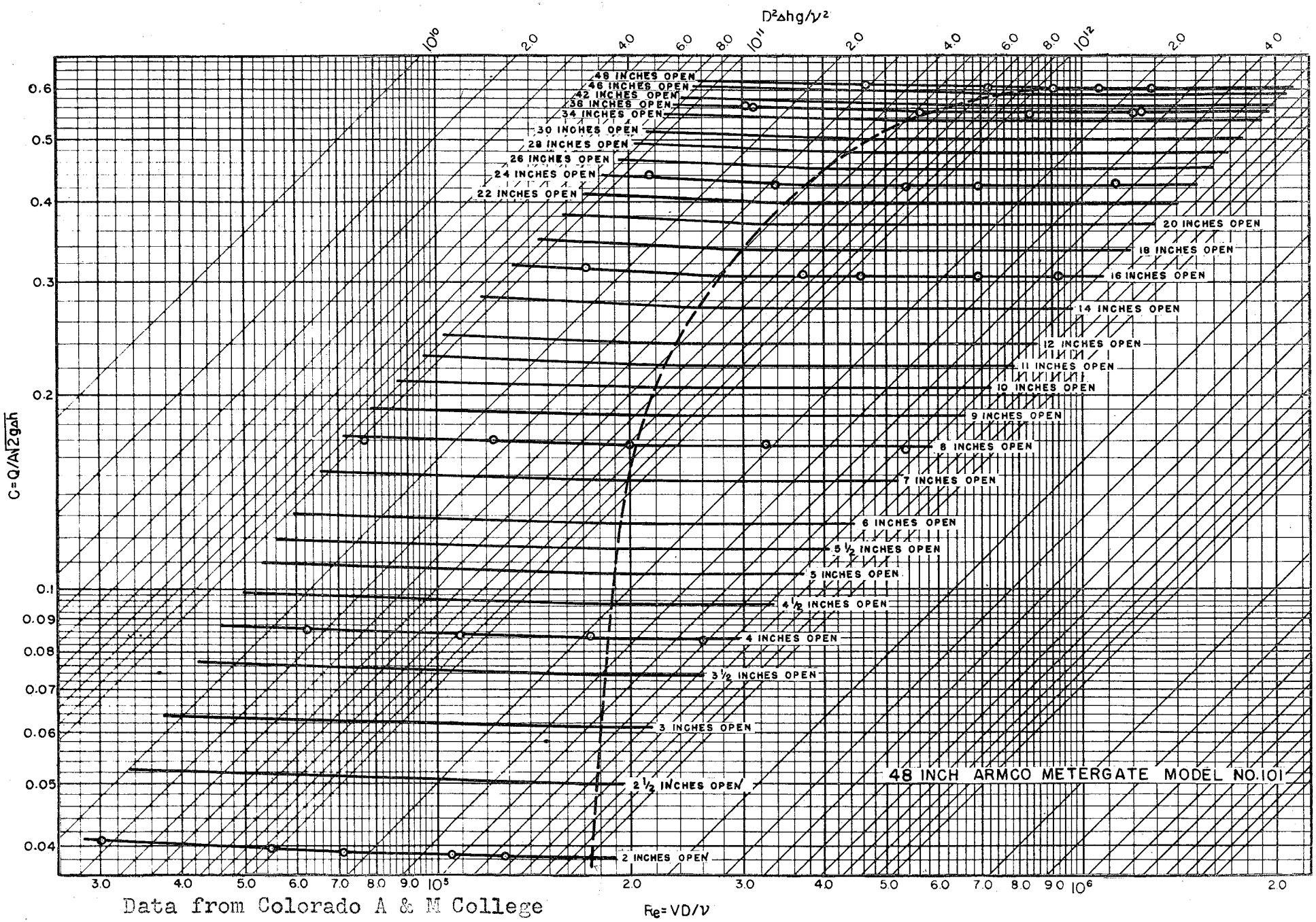
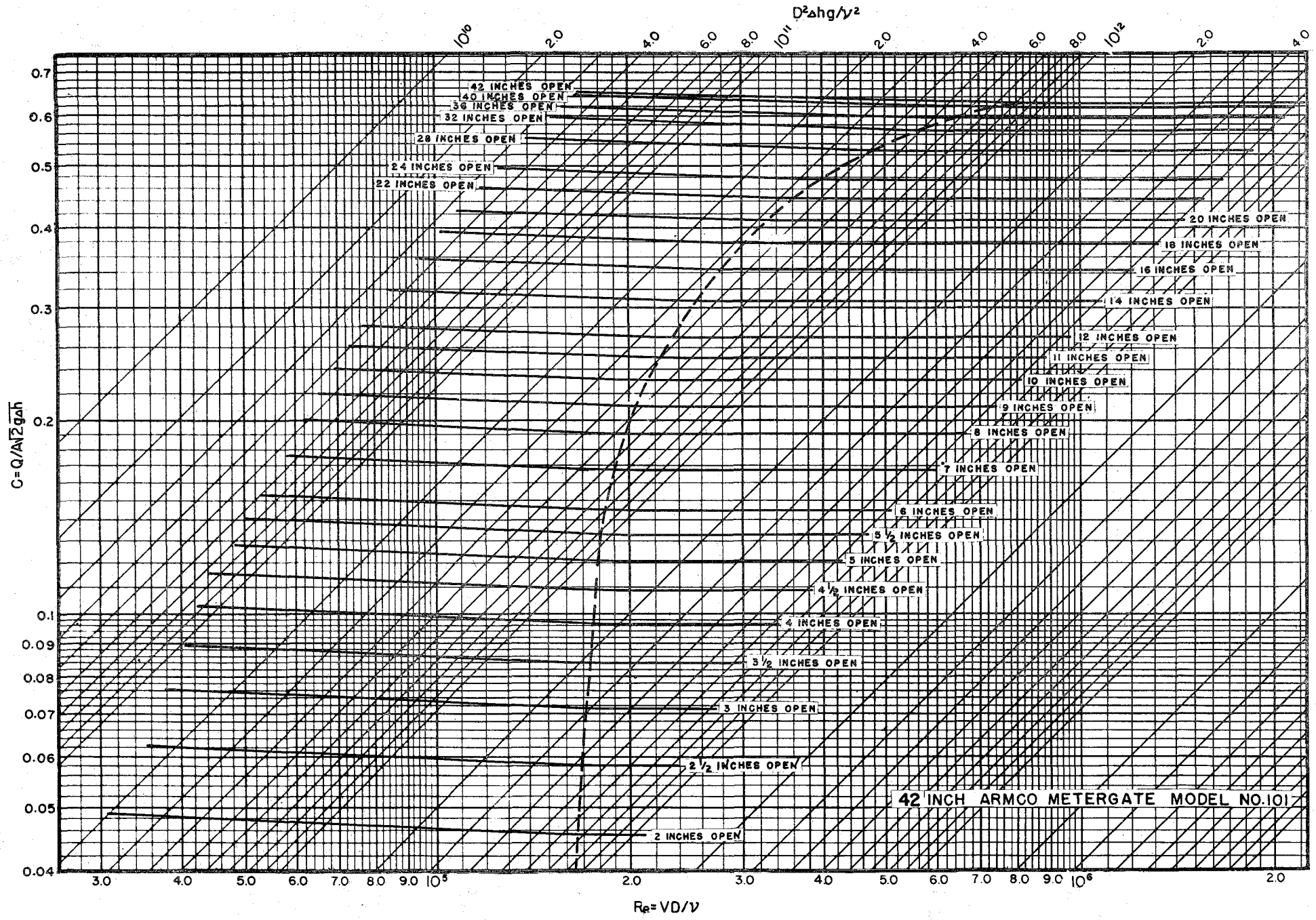
0.4
0.5
0.6
0.7
0.8
0.9
1.0
$\frac{a}{D}$
CALIBRATION STUDIES
OF
ARMCO METERGATES MODEL No. 101
COLORADO A&M COLLEGE
HYDRAULICS LABORATORY
FORT COLLINS, COLO. DECEMBER, 1950



Data from Colorado A & M College

Fig. 10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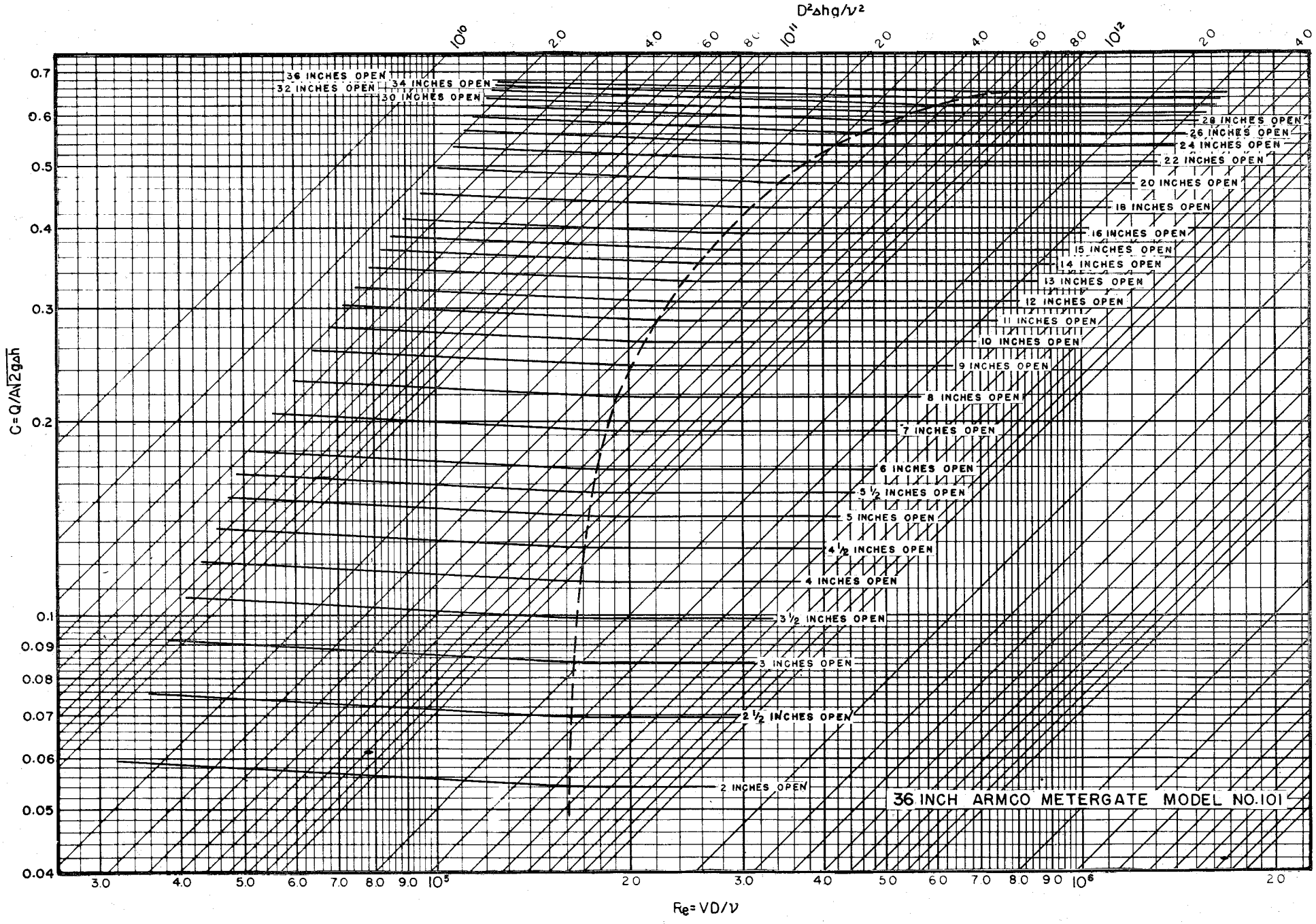
$D^2\Delta hg/\nu^2$
$C = Q/A\sqrt{2g\Delta h}$
$R_e = VD/\nu$

Fig. 11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$C = Q/A\sqrt{2g\Delta h}$
$Re = VD/\nu$
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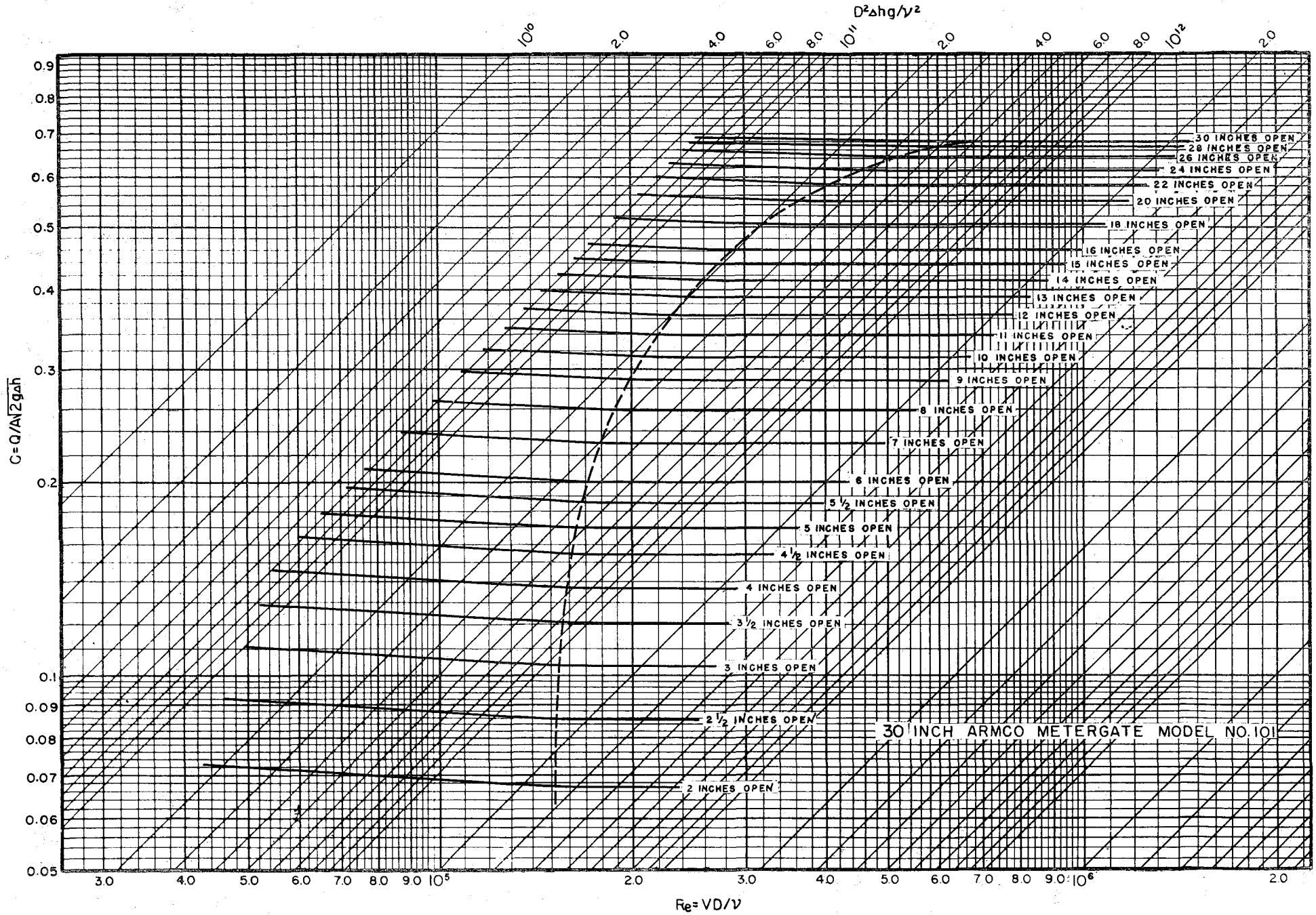
Fig. 12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30 INCH ARMCO METERGATE MODEL NO. 101
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7.0
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10^5
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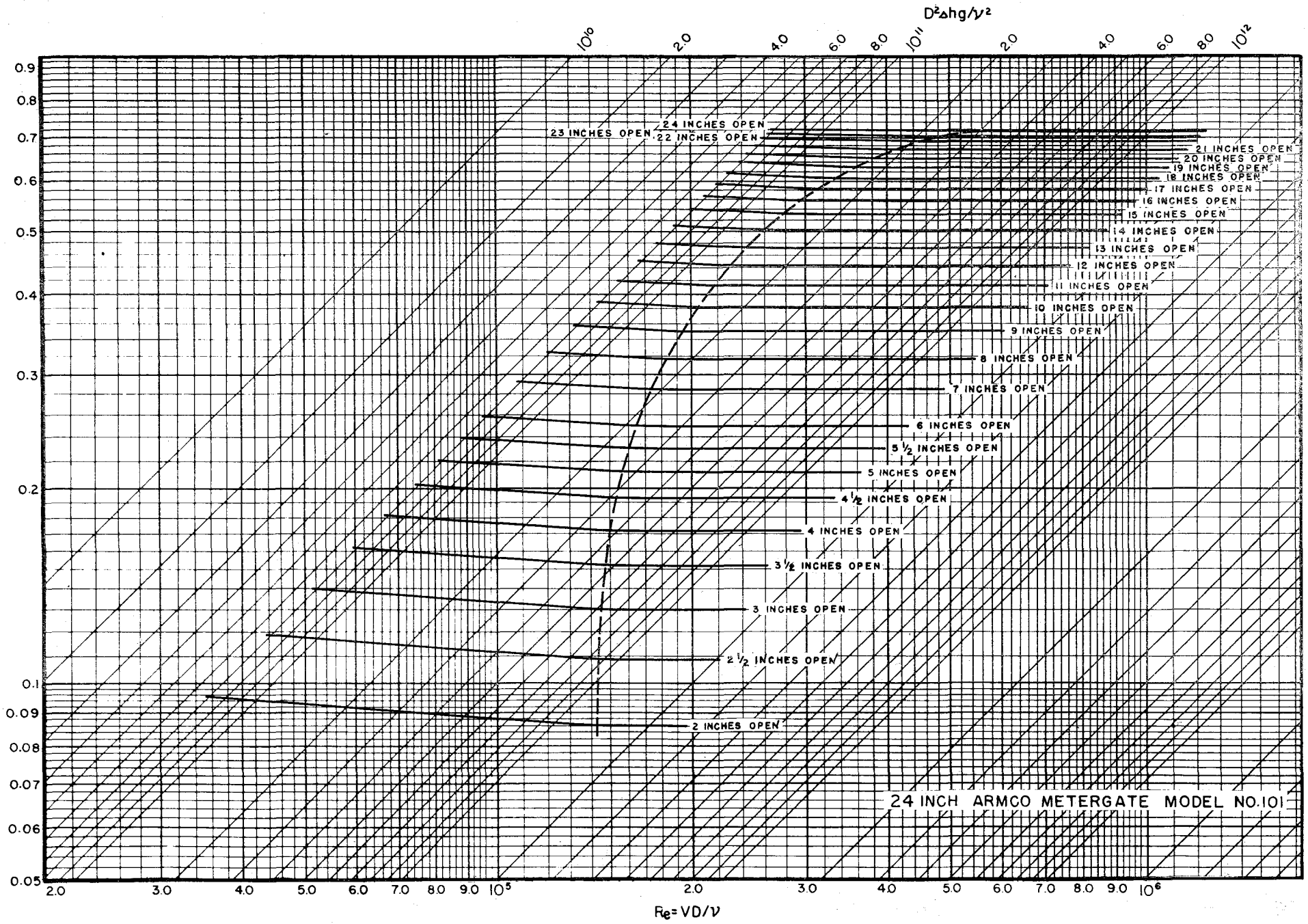
$Re = VD/\nu$

Fig. 13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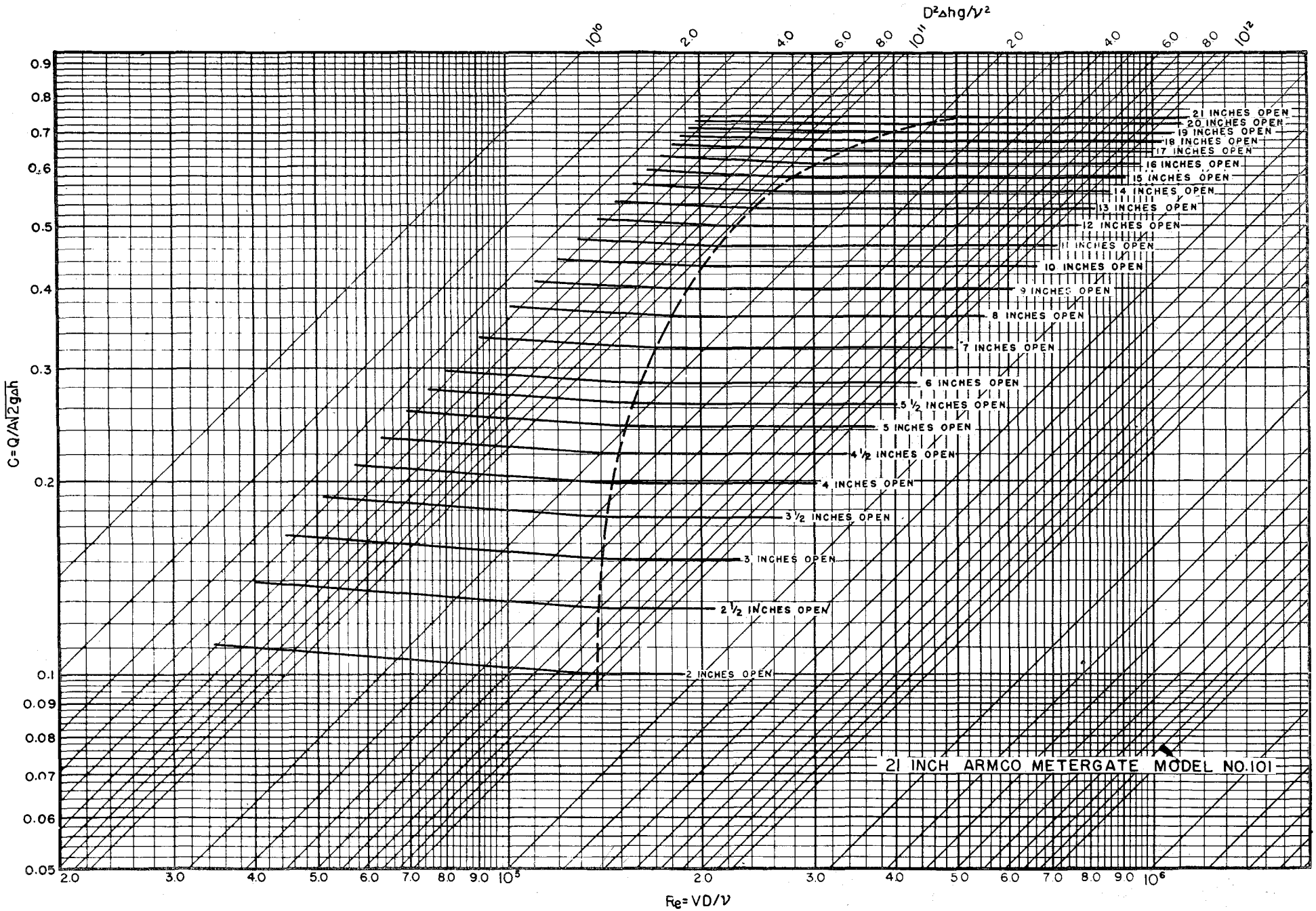
$Re = VD/\nu$

Fig. 14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10^{12}
$C = Q/A\sqrt{2g\Delta h}$
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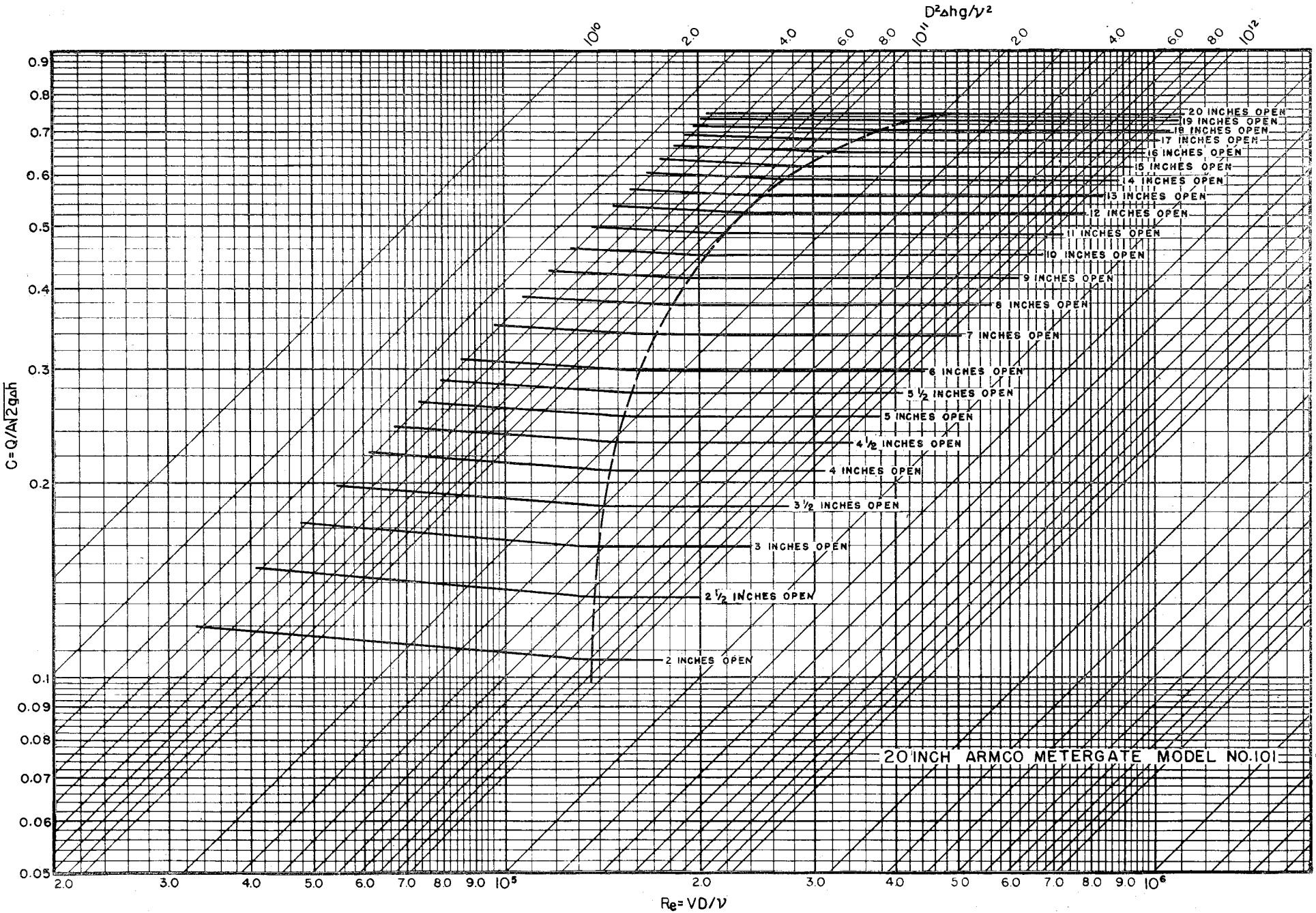
Fig. 15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0.07
0.06
0.05
$C = Q/A\sqrt{2g\Delta h}$
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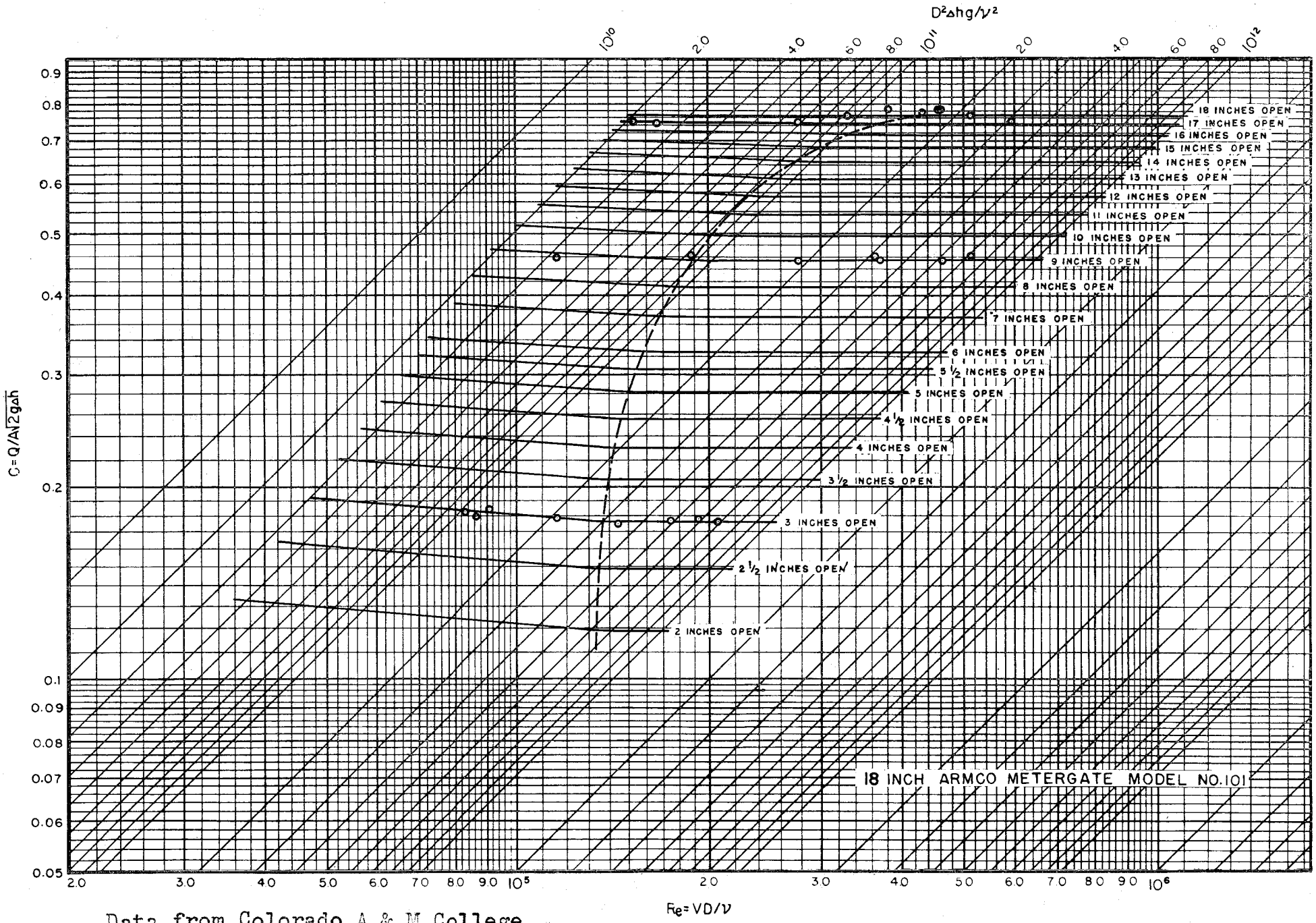
10^6
$Re = VD/\nu$

Fig. 16



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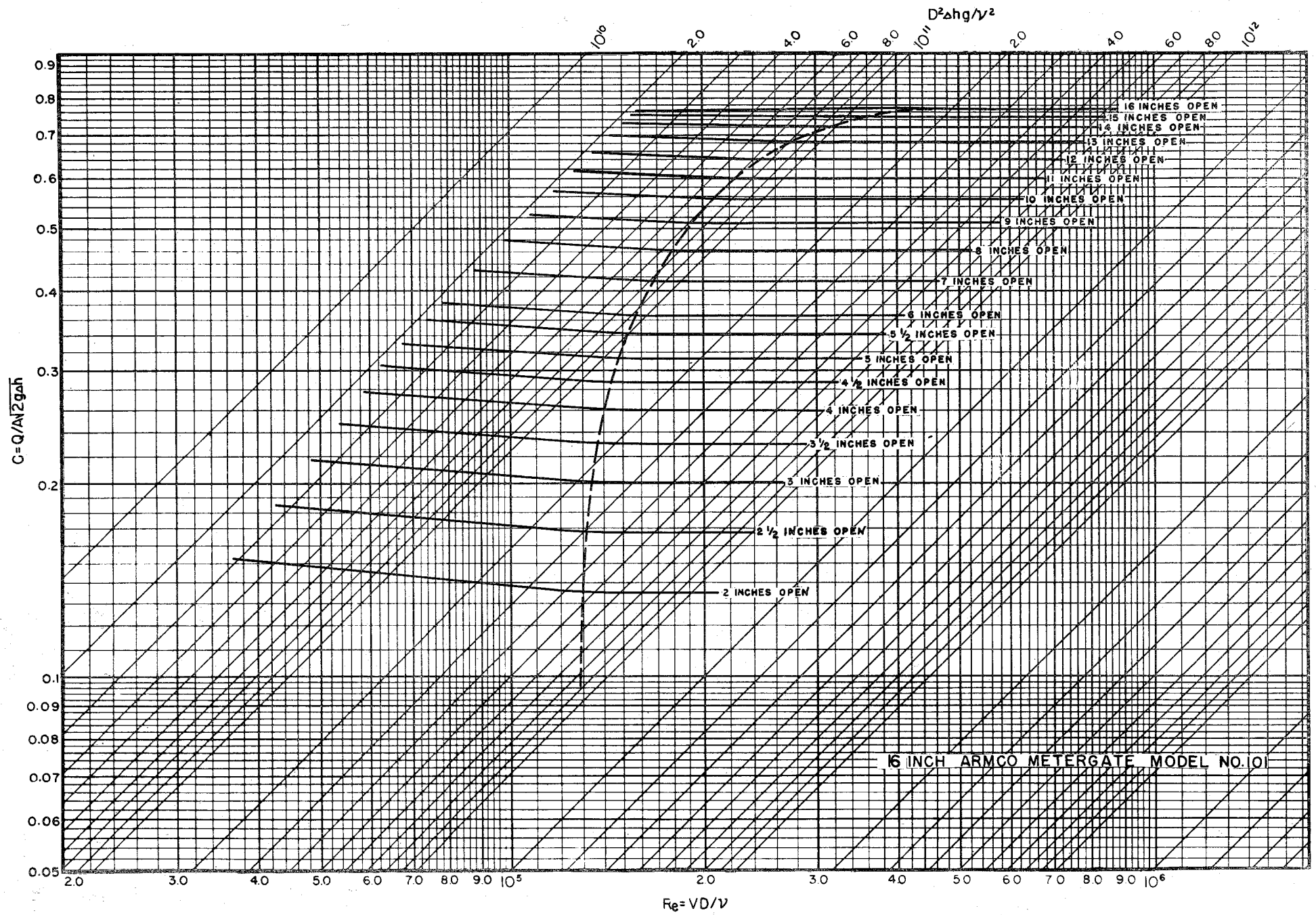
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$Re = VD/\nu$

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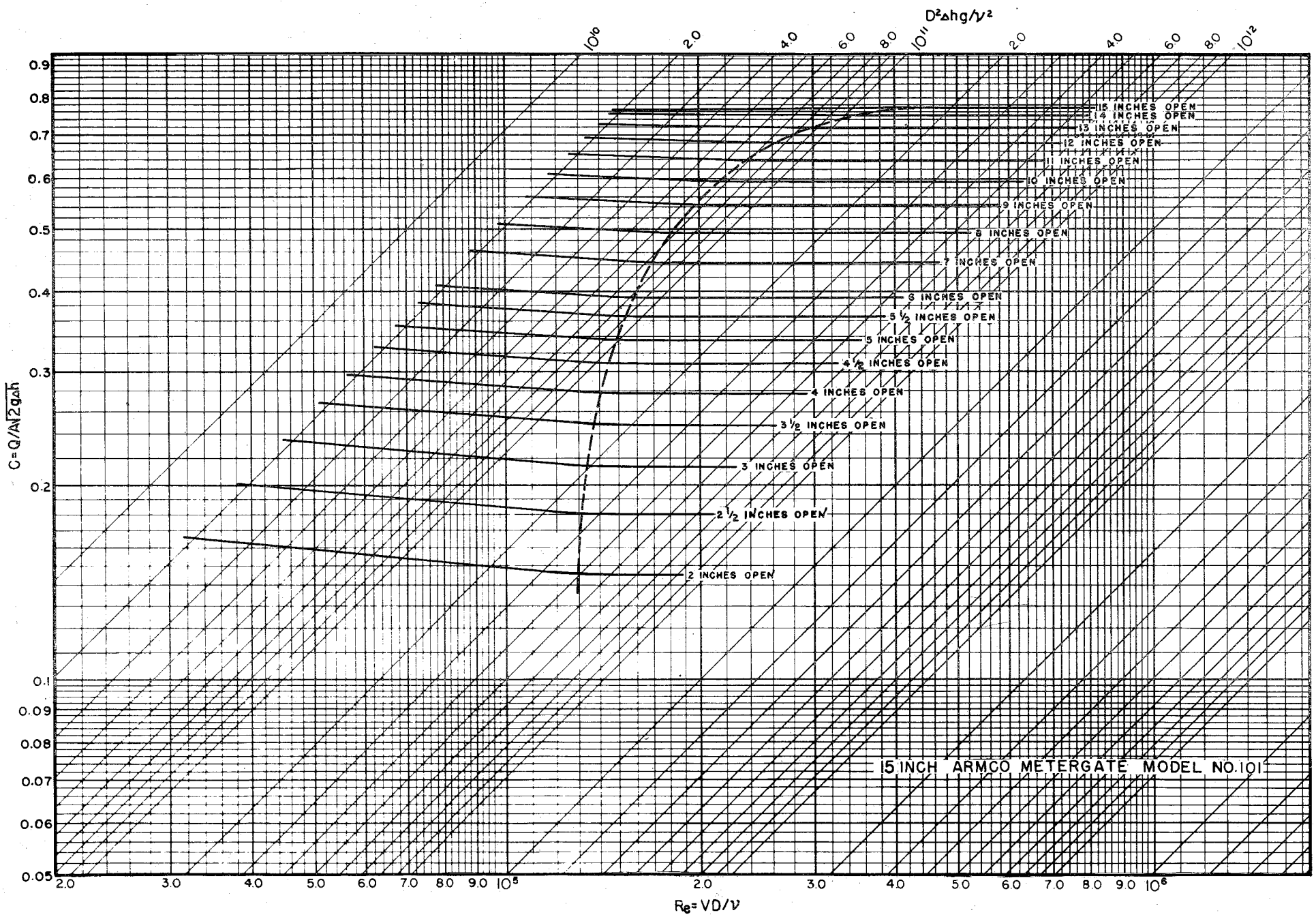
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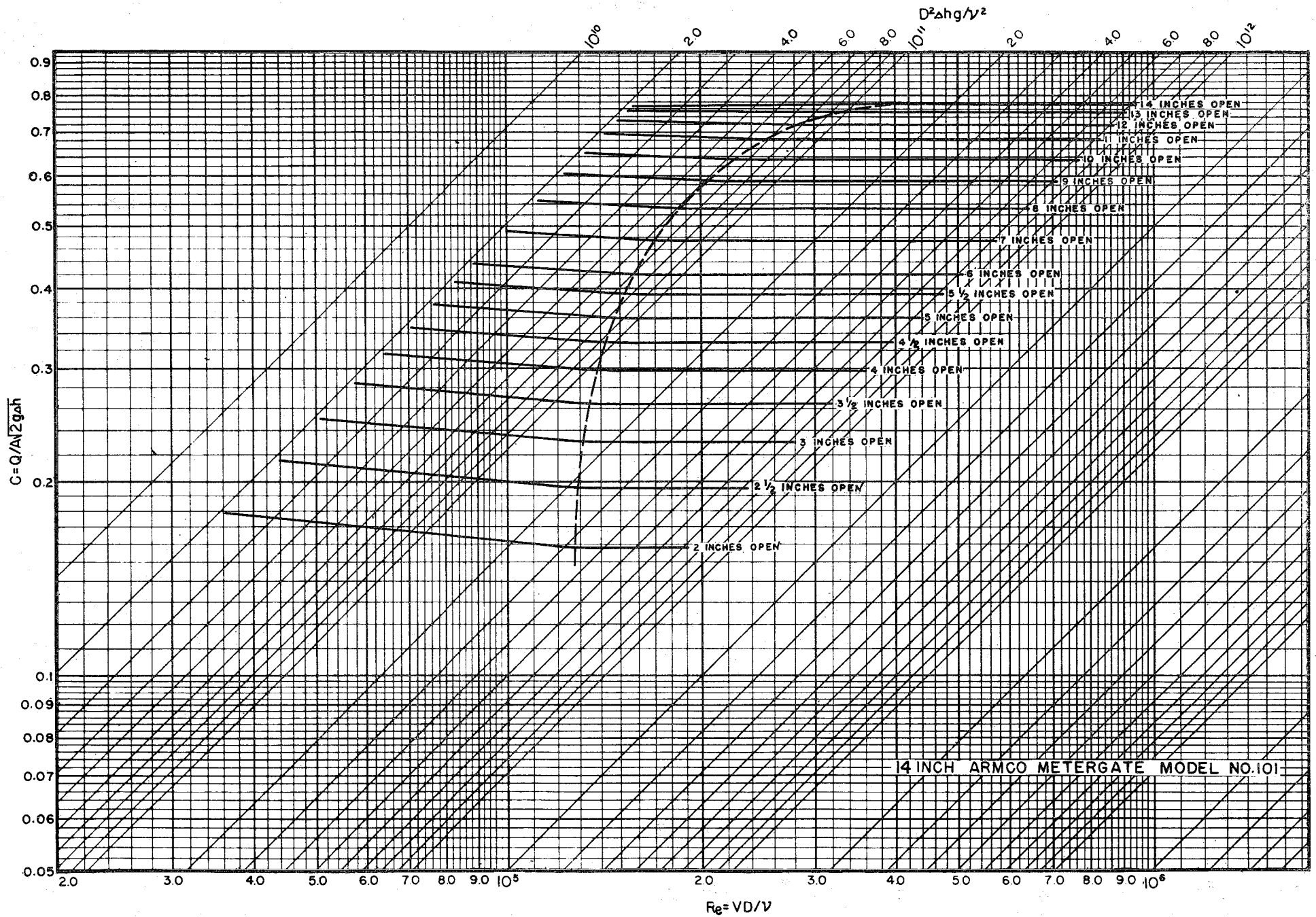
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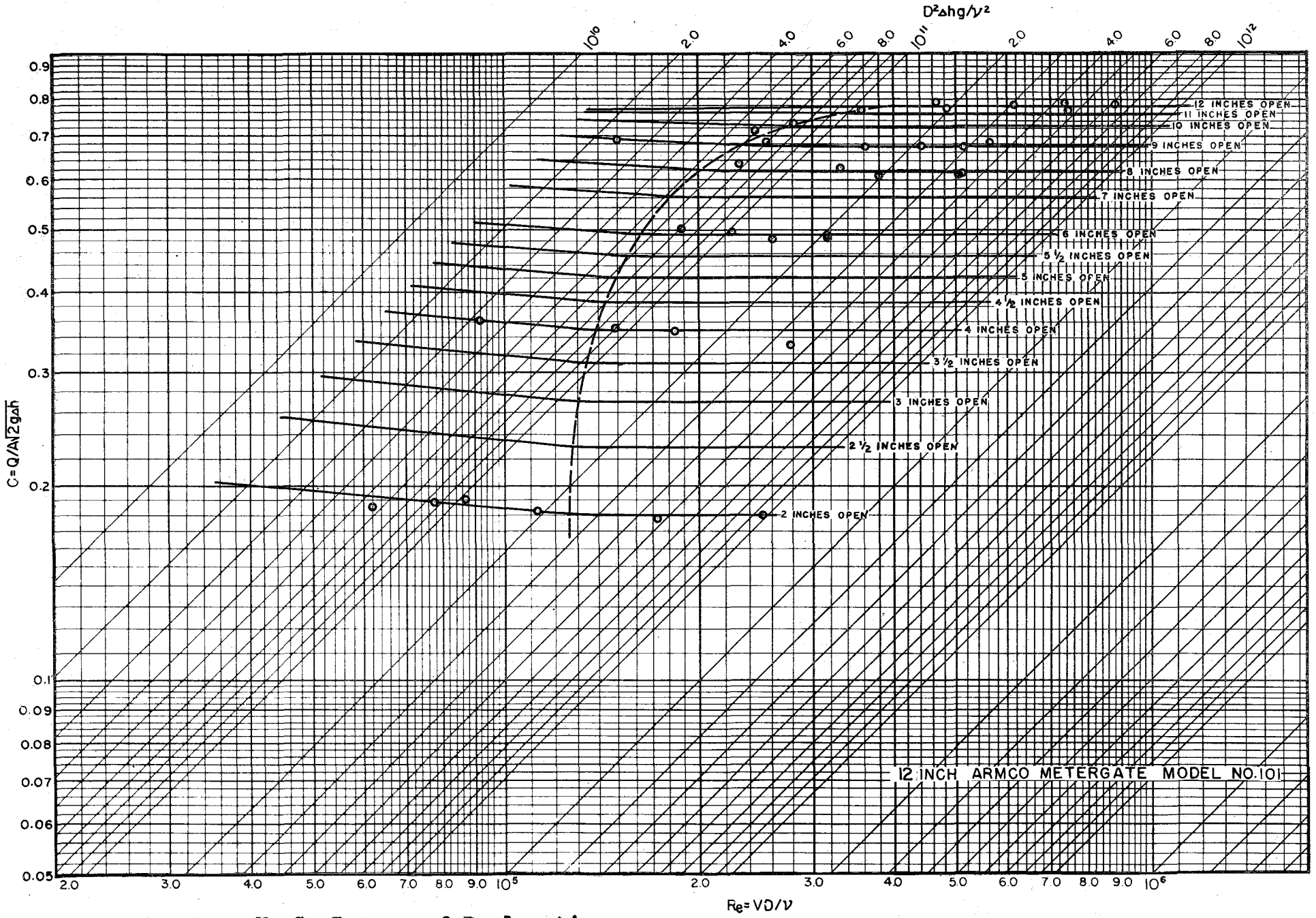
Fig. 20



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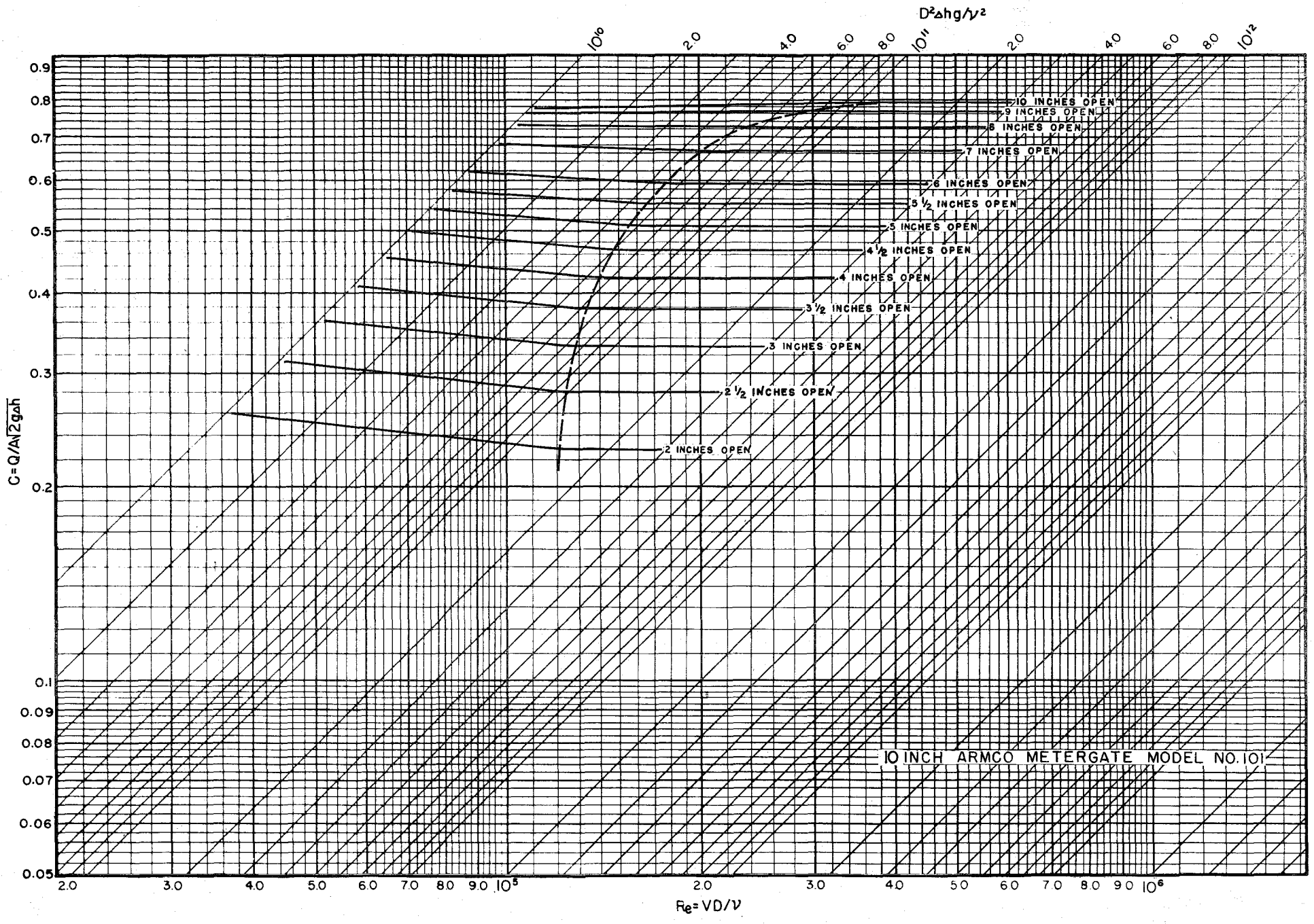
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Fig. 22

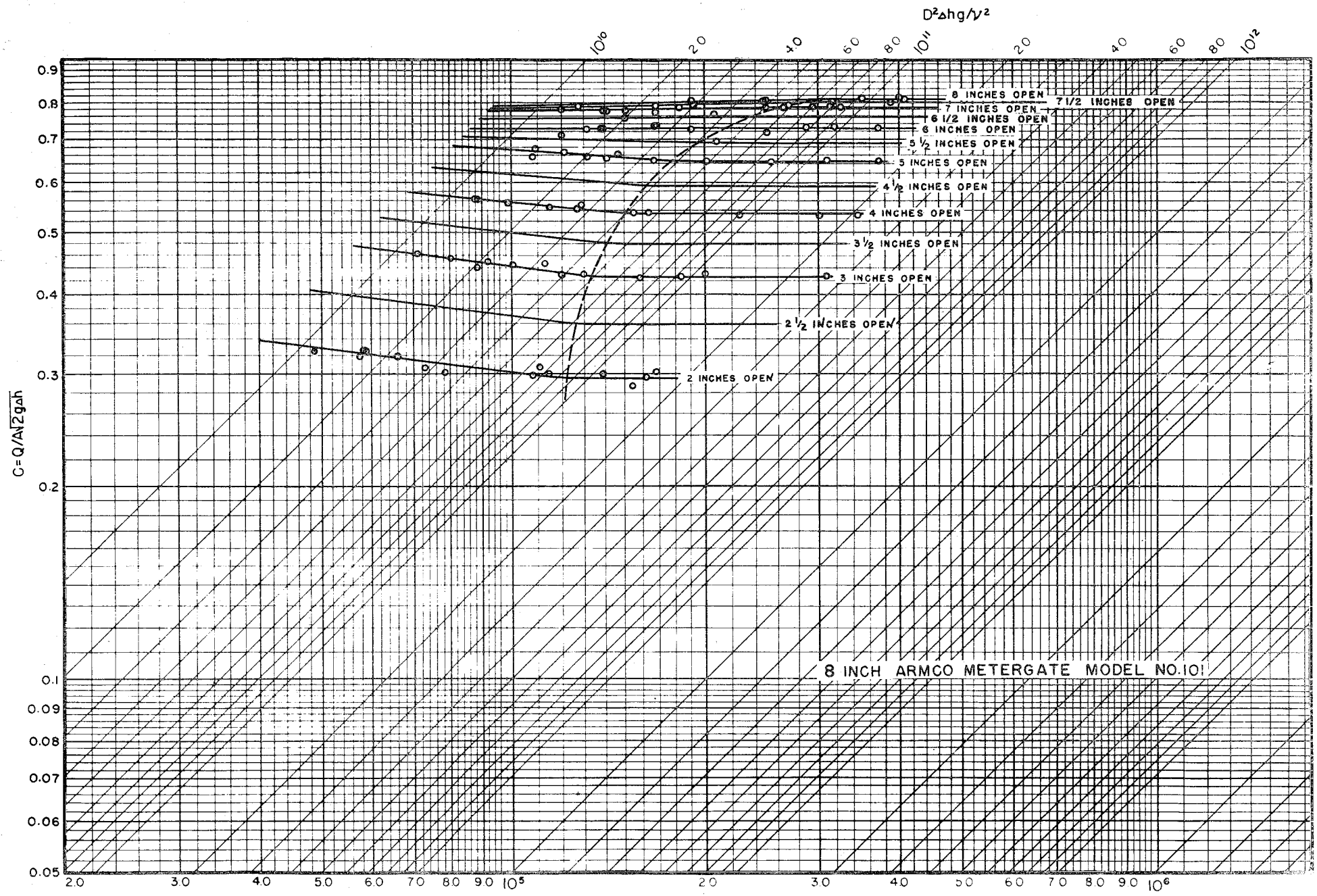

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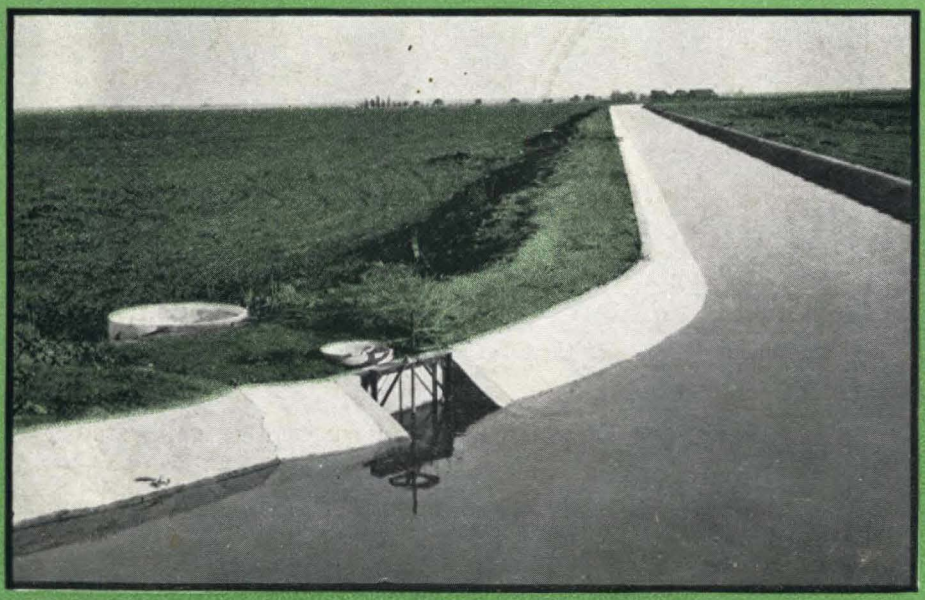
Fig. 23

THE CALCO METERGATE



A COMBINATION TURNOUT AND MEASURING DEVICE

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Killing Two Birds With One Stone

ON IRRIGATION districts and other supply systems which measure water to users it has, until recently, been thought necessary to erect two structures for each individual turnout —a gate and a measuring device. This, of course, involved a rather serious expenditure in first cost and in maintenance in behalf of each user, and when these were numbered by hundreds, as on many active systems, the burden was correspondingly multiplied.

Recent developments have made it possible to avoid this double expense by installing a turnout gate which serves both purposes and reduces the labor of recording and regulating to the absolute minimum. This is the Calco Metergate.

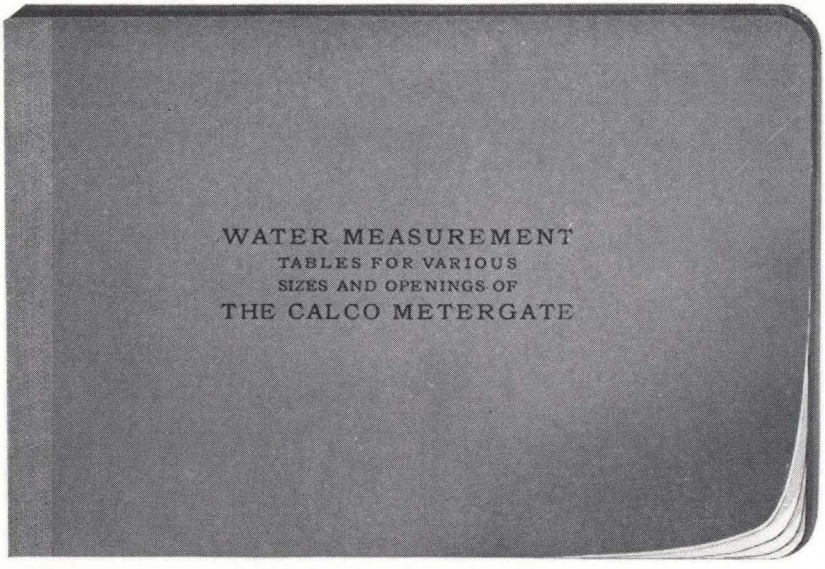
The Calco Slide Headgate has been accurately calibrated by means of a series of experiments carried out by the Fresno Irrigation District under the direction of Chief Engineer George L. Swendsen. This investigation determined the loss of head produced by flow through Calco Slide Headgates of the various diameters under various heads and with different degrees of opening.

The full text of the report of Chief Engineer Swendsen is available upon request. Graphs and tables are included giving detailed discharge data on all the usual diameters and gate openings.

The maximum size shown in this report is 24 inches in diameter. Tables are available, however, covering the intermediate small sizes and the 30″, 36″, 42″, and 48″ sizes.

The Calco Metergate is the combination of the Calco Slide Headgate, Model 101, with measuring wells which show the difference in head between the water in the canal or reservoir and in the discharge pipe one foot from the gate face. This difference is conveniently measured by means of a hook gauge, and the discharge in cubic feet per second is read from the tables.

Convenient Tables



FOR convenience of users the tables showing rates of flow with various sizes and openings of Calco Metergates have been prepared in pocket-size books especially adapted for use in the field. Tables are also included for ready conversion of quantities in cubic feet per second to miner's inches. The same data is available on separate cards, as shown below. These books or cards will be furnished gratis to users of the Metergate.

TABLE VII—DISCHARGE DATA—18" CALCO GATE

Head in Inches	Net Gate Opening in Inches																					
	2	2½	3	3½	4	4½	5	5½	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	Discharge in Cubic Feet per Second																				
1	.48	.58	.68	.79	.91	1.00	1.10	1.18	1.28	1.45	1.65	1.80	1.94	2.08	2.20	2.33	2.48	2.60	2.72	2.88	3.01
1¼	.54	.64	.75	.88	1.02	1.11	1.22	1.32	1.42	1.62	1.83	2.00	2.15	2.30	2.45	2.58	2.75	2.88	3.02	3.20	3.36
1½	.59	.70	.82	.96	1.11	1.22	1.33	1.44	1.55	1.78	2.00	2.17	2.36	2.50	2.67	2.83	3.00	3.15	3.30	3.50	3.68
1¾	.63	.76	.88	1.03	1.20	1.31	1.43	1.55	1.67	1.90	2.15	2.33	2.51	2.70	2.88	3.04	3.22	3.40	3.56	3.75	3.95
2	.68	.80	.94	1.10	1.27	1.40	1.53	1.65	1.78	2.03	2.30	2.48	2.70	2.89	3.06	3.25	3.44	3.60	3.80	4.00	4.22
2¼	.72	.85	.99	1.16	1.35	1.48	1.62	1.75	1.88	2.15	2.43	2.63	2.86	3.05	3.25	3.42	3.65	3.83	4.00	4.25	4.46
2½	.76	.90	1.04	1.22	1.42	1.56	1.70	1.84	1.97	2.27	2.55	2.76	3.00	3.20	3.42	3.60	3.84	4.00	4.25	4.46	4.70
2¾	.79	.94	1.08	1.28	1.48	1.62	1.78	1.92	2.08	2.38	2.68	2.90	3.15	3.36	3.60	3.78	4.02	4.20	4.45	4.68	4.92
3	.83	.98	1.14	1.34	1.55	1.70	1.85	2.00	2.15	2.48	2.80	3.00	3.30	3.50	3.73	3.94	4.20	4.40	4.66	4.85	5.12
3¼	.86	1.02	1.18	1.38	1.60	1.76	1.95	2.08	2.25	2.57	2.90	3.13	3.43	3.65	3.88	4.10	4.35	4.55	4.80	5.05	5.32
3½	.89	1.05	1.23	1.43	1.66	1.83	2.00	2.15	2.33	2.66	3.00	3.25	3.55	3.78	4.05	4.25	4.50	4.73	5.00	5.25	5.50
3¾	.92	1.08	1.25	1.48	1.72	1.88	2.07	2.23	2.40	2.75	3.10	3.35	3.68	3.90	4.16	4.40	4.68	4.90	5.15	5.43	5.70
4	.95	1.12	1.30	1.53	1.77	1.94	2.13	2.30	2.48	2.83	3.20	3.45	3.78	4.00	4.30	4.50	4.80	5.05	5.30	5.60	5.85
4¼	.98	1.15	1.34	*1.57	1.83	2.00	2.19	2.37	2.55	2.92	3.30	3.56	3.88	4.15	4.42	4.66	4.95	5.20	5.48	5.75	6.05
4½	1.00	1.18	1.37	1.62	1.87	2.05	2.25	2.44	2.62	3.00	3.38	3.66	4.00	4.25	4.55	4.80	5.10	5.33	5.60	5.90	6.20
4¾	1.03	1.22	1.42	1.66	1.93	2.11	2.30	2.50	2.69	3.08	3.47	3.75	4.10	4.38	4.65	4.90	5.20	5.48	5.75	6.05	6.48
5	1.05	1.25	1.45	1.70	1.97	2.17	2.35	2.56	2.75	3.15	3.55	3.83	4.20	4.48	4.78	5.04	5.35	5.60	5.90	6.20	6.55
5½	1.10	1.30	1.52	1.78	2.07	2.26	2.47	2.68	2.88	3.30	3.72	4.00	4.40	4.70	5.00	5.25	5.60	5.85	6.20	6.50	6.85
6	1.15	1.36	1.58	1.85	2.16	2.35	2.58	2.78	3.00	3.45	3.88	4.20	4.60	4.90	5.22	5.50	5.80	6.10	6.45	6.80	7.15
6½	1.19	1.42	1.65	1.93	2.22	2.45	2.68	2.88	3.11	3.58	4.02	4.35	4.77	5.08	5.40	5.70	6.05	6.35	6.70	7.06	7.40
7	1.23	1.46	1.70	2.00	2.32	2.54	2.78	3.00	3.23	3.70	4.18	4.50	4.93	5.25	5.62	5.90	6.25	6.55	6.90	7.30	7.70
7½	1.28	1.51	1.75	2.06	2.40	2.63	2.88	3.10	3.33	3.83	4.32	4.67	5.10	5.45	5.80	6.10	6.50	6.80	7.20	7.56	7.95
8	1.32	1.56	1.81	2.13	2.48	2.70	2.96	3.19	3.45	3.95	4.45	4.80	5.28	5.60	6.00	6.30	6.70	7.00	7.40	7.75	8.20
8½	1.36	1.61	1.86	2.19	2.55	2.78	3.05	3.30	3.55	4.07	4.58	4.95	5.43	5.77	6.18	6.50	6.90	7.20	7.60	8.00	8.40
9	1.40	1.65	1.92	2.25	2.62	2.86	3.13	3.38	3.65	4.18	4.70	5.10	5.60	5.94	6.34	6.70	7.10	7.40	7.80	8.25	8.70
9½	1.44	1.70	1.96	2.30	2.68	2.95	3.20	3.47	3.75	4.30	4.82	5.23	5.70	6.10	6.50	6.85	7.30	7.60	8.00	8.45	8.90
10	1.48	1.74	2.01	2.35	2.73	3.00	3.30	3.55	3.83	4.40	4.95	5.35	5.83	6.25	6.70	7.05	7.45	7.80	8.25	8.65	9.15
11	1.55	1.82	2.11	2.48	2.88	3.15	3.45	3.72	4.00	4.60	5.20	5.60	6.15	6.55	7.00	7.35	7.80	8.20	8.60	9.10	9.60
12	1.62	1.90	2.20	2.58	3.00	3.30	3.60	3.88	4.20	4.80	5.40	5.85	6.40	6.80	7.30	7.70	8.20	8.55	9.00	9.50	10.00
13	1.68	1.97	2.29	2.68	3.11	3.42	3.73	4.03	4.35	5.00	5.55	6.10	6.65	7.10	7.60	8.00	8.50	8.90	9.35	9.85	10.40
14	1.75	2.05	2.38	2.78	3.24	3.55	3.88	4.20	4.50	5.20	5.80	6.30	6.90	7.35	7.85	8.35	8.80	9.20	9.70	10.30	10.75
15	1.80	2.12	2.45	2.88	3.34	3.66	4.00	4.32	4.65	5.35	6.00	6.50	7.15	7.60	8.10	8.65	9.10	9.50	10.00	10.60	11.20
16	1.85	2.18	2.55	2.97	3.45	3.78	4.10	4.45	4.80	5.50	6.20	6.70	7.35	7.85	8.40	8.88	9.40	9.80	10.30	10.80	11.50
17	1.90	2.25	2.60	3.04	3.55	3.90	4.25	4.60	4.95	5.70	6.40	6.90	7.55	8.10	8.60	9.10	9.70	10.20	10.70	11.30	11.80
18	1.96	2.31	2.68	3.13	3.65	4.00	4.35	4.70	5.10	5.82	6.55	7.10	7.75	8.30	8.85	9.35	9.90	10.40	11.00	11.60	12.20

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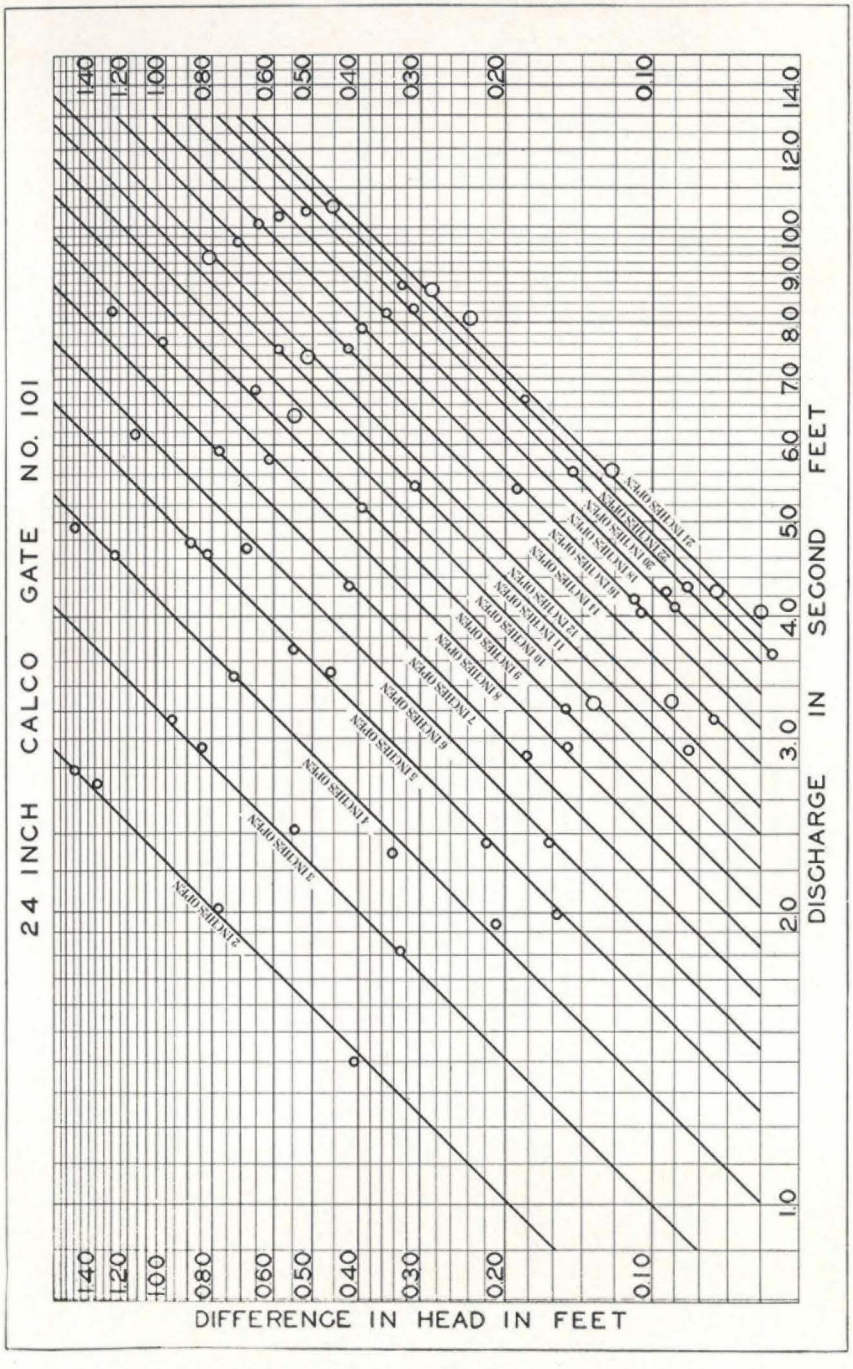
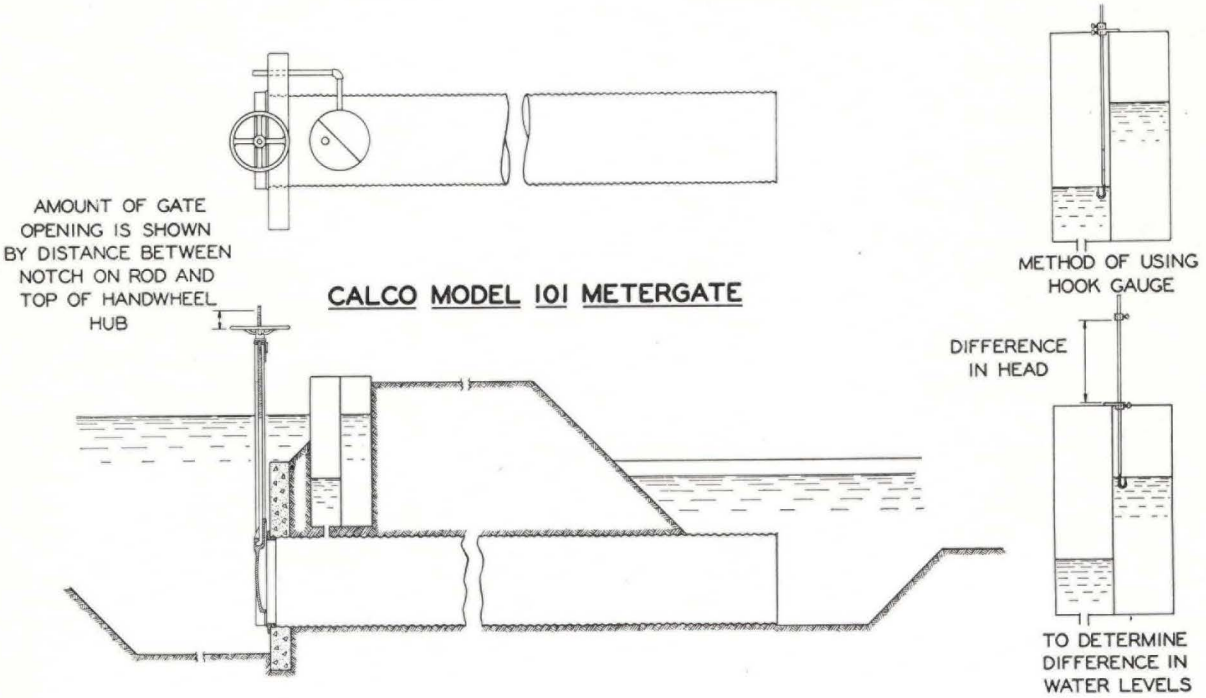
Data derived from Calibration by the Fresno Irrigation District.

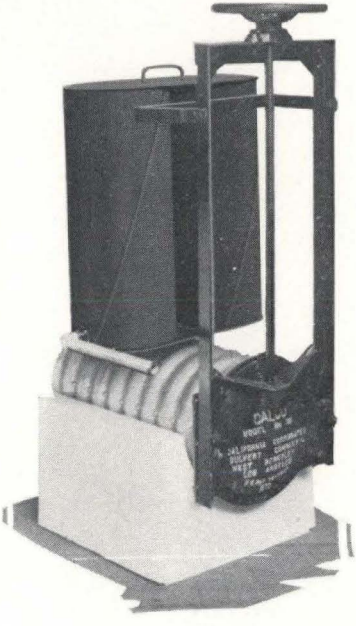
Typical Discharge Chart for 24" Metergate as Made by Fresno Irrigation District

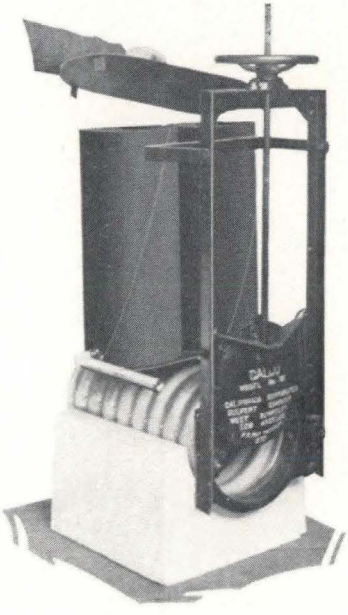



CALCO MODEL 101 METERGATE
AMOUNT OF GATE OPENING IS SHOWN BY DISTANCE BETWEEN NOTCH ON ROD AND TOP OF HANDWHEEL HUB
METHOD OF USING HOOK GAUGE
DIFFERENCE IN HEAD
TO DETERMINE DIFFERENCE IN WATER LEVELS

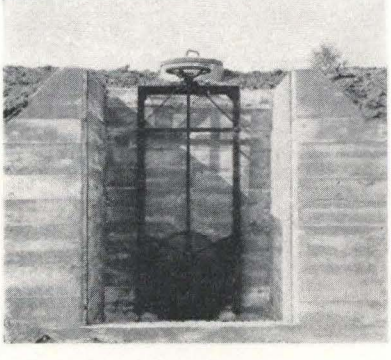
Adaptability

The Calco Metergate is furnished either complete with metal wells (made of welded steel pipe) as shown in the accompanying photographs, or for use with a concrete well divided into two compartments by a metal partition, as shown by the drawing on the preceding page.





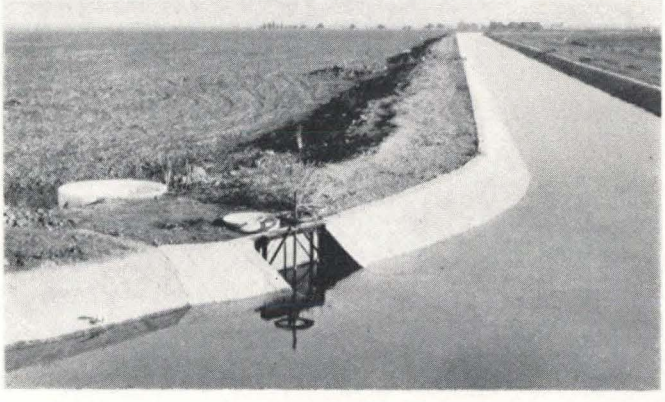
The Fresno Irrigation District has many hundreds of these Metergates in operation and experiences no difficulty in measuring water to its users. The canals are held at or very near a uniform gauge height, and the gates are installed in such a manner that should the water surface vary in the canal, the proportional variation in the Metergate discharge is so small as usually to be negligible. Should the variation be large, the flow can still be kept constant by changing the gate opening. Ditch tenders in a short time become adept in the use of the device.



The experience of various districts using the Metergate is that there is a large saving of water and that the water users are better satisfied because of the effective method adopted for giving them their allotted quantities.

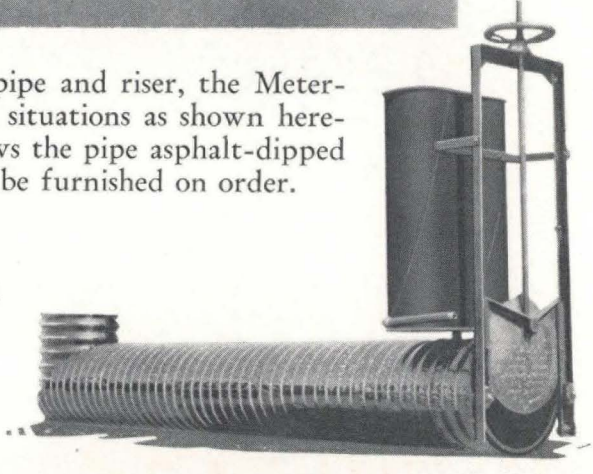
Delivery to Lower Levels

The operation of the Metergate requires that the outlets of the turnout pipes be submerged at all times. In order to accomplish this in locations where the levels of the canals are much higher than those in the turnout ditches or on the land, Engineer W. F. Woolley of the West Stanislaus Irrigation District installs wells as shown in the accompanying photograph.



With corrugated pipe and riser, the Metergate is made for such situations as shown herewith. This photo shows the pipe asphalt-dipped in which form it will be furnished on order.

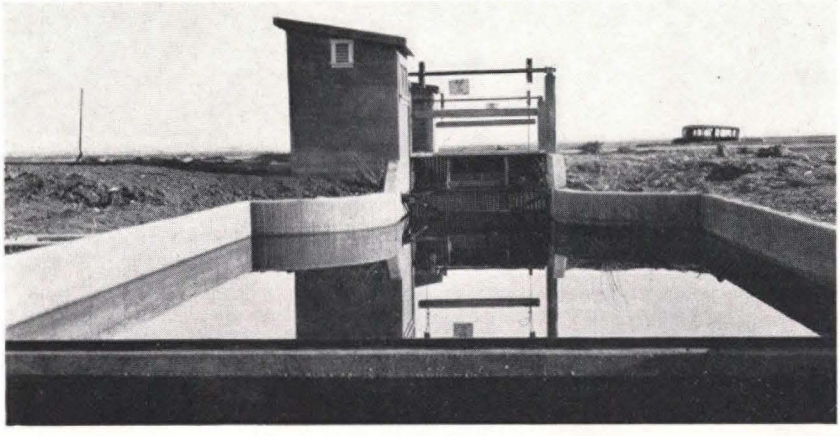
The Calco Metergate with Armco Corrugated Pipe

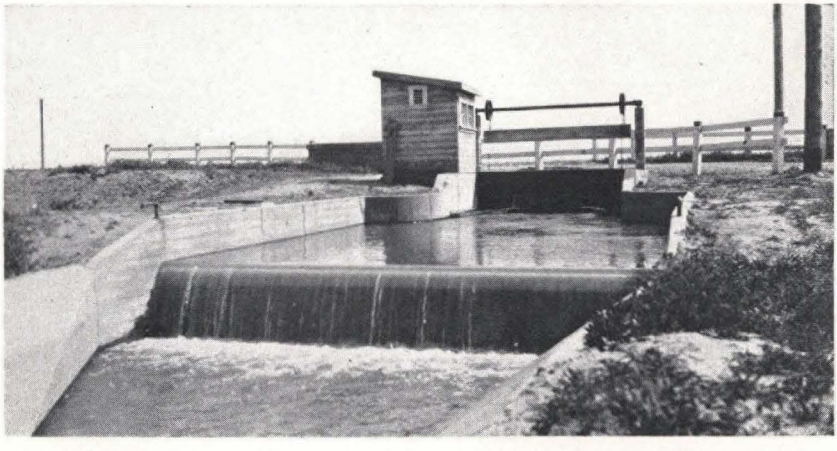


These arrangements operate to maintain submerged outlets at all times so that delivery to lower levels can be measured just as accurately as that to ditches of approximately the same elevation. This improvement greatly extends the usefulness of the Metergate.

Use of the Metergate in Conjunction With the Calco Radial Gate

The accuracy of this method of water measurement depends to some extent upon the maintenance of reasonably constant levels in the canals or reservoirs. If the head on the gates fluctuates widely between readings the accuracy will be affected.

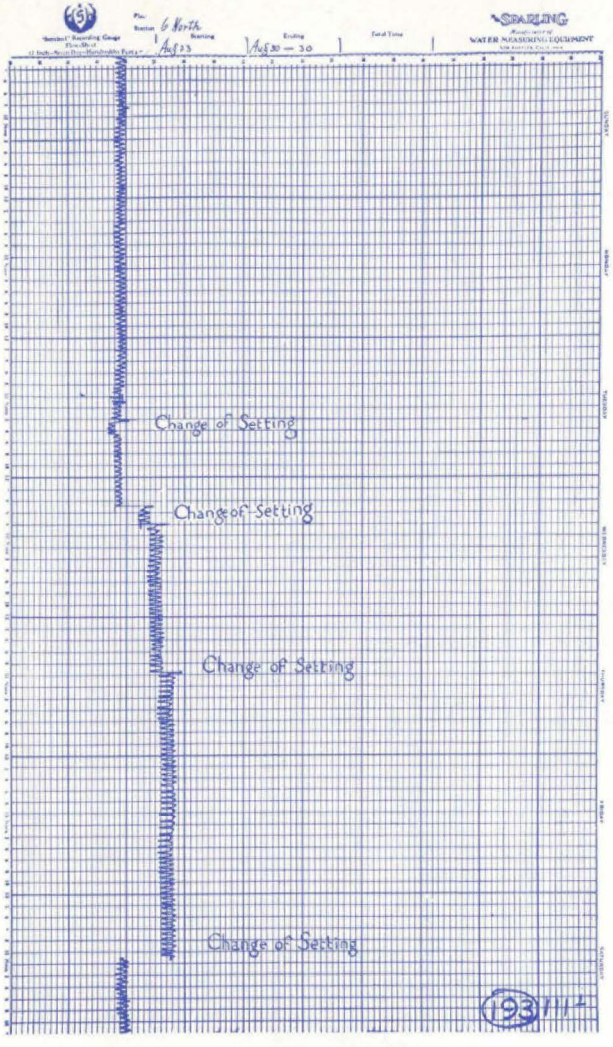




Calco Automatic Radial Gate installed to maintain constant level downstream. West Stanislaus Irrigation District, California. W. F. Woolley, Chief Engineer.

On most systems fairly constant levels are maintained, but where there is a tendency toward abrupt changes the problem can be fully solved by the use of Calco Radial Gates with Automatic Control. The construction and operation of these are fully described in the Calco Radial Gate Catalog, a copy of which will be mailed upon request.

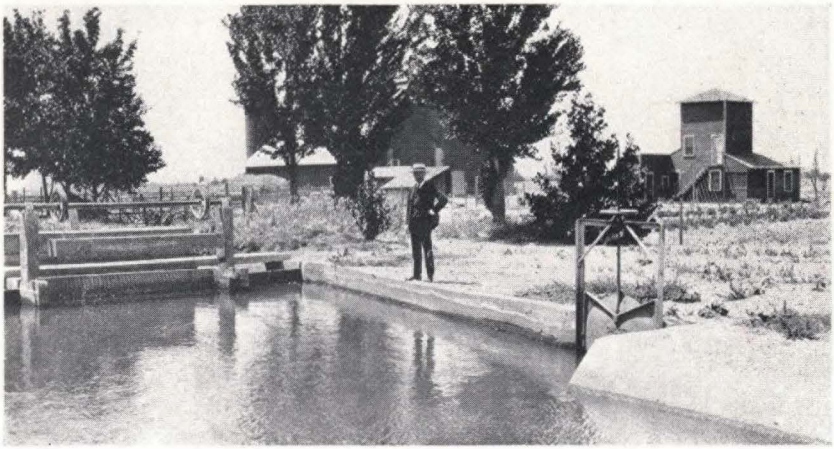
How successfully the Calco Radial Gate operates to maintain constant levels may be seen from the reproduction of a chronograph showing the record of a week at one installation on the West Stanislaus Irrigation District of Westley, California.



Chronograph of performance of down-stream control by Calco Automatic Radial Gate on West Stanislaus Irrigation District, W. F. Woolley, Chief Engineer.

The chart shows control of levels maintained over a period of a week with variations not exceeding two and a half hundredths of a foot for any desired setting. For changes of water elevation it is merely necessary to change the elevation of the funnel intake. The vibration period shown by the wavy line is caused by the intermittent action of the pumps resulting in changes of elevation upstream of twelve inches. This variation is reduced by the automatic control to the comparatively negligible variation shown by the graph. On account of the uniformity of the curve, it is possible to average the flow with great accuracy.

This combination makes possible the safe and convenient operation of water supply systems with a minimum of labor and supervision and a maximum of satisfaction to operators and users.



Calco Automatic Radial Gate maintaining constant level in canal. Calco Slide Headgate at right.

How to Install the Metergate

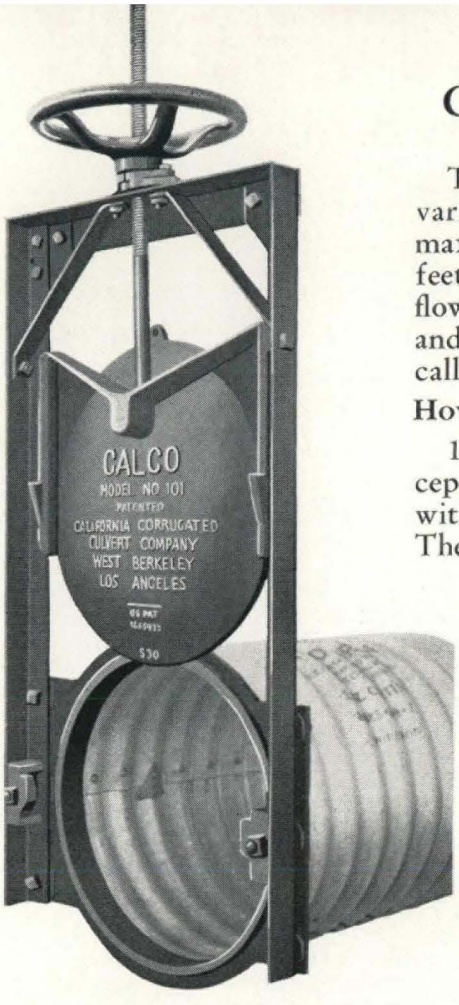
In general, the Metergate is installed in the same manner as any other Calco gate of the same type. The most important point is to have sufficient submergence at the outlet: six to eight inches over the top of the outlet pipe as a minimum. Otherwise surge will occur in the stilling well and inaccurate readings will result.

A notch is made with a cold chisel or hack-saw in the stem of the gate at a point flush with the top of the handwheel when the handwheel is without slack on the stem and the bottom of the gate slide is exactly level with the bottom of the inside of the gate seat. This is called the point of zero gate opening. The amount of any gate opening is obtained by measuring the distance from the chisel mark to the top of the handwheel.

When the turnout is in use the water stands in one well at the level of the water in the canal and in the other at the static level of the water in the turnout pipe at a point 12 inches downstream from the face of the gate seat. The difference in these two levels is the head in feet or inches given in the tables. A simple and effective type of hook gauge for this measurement is furnished (as an extra) by the manufacturer, or, upon request, directions will be given for making it.

The use of corrugated pipe makes these installations very simple. When corrugated pipe is ordered for use with the Metergate the manufacturers should be informed so that a ¾″ outlet may be welded on 12 inches from the gate seat for connection with the stilling chamber.

For convenience of identification it is well to paint the diameter of the gate on the well.



Calco Slide Headgate

MODEL 101

To serve as an inlet gate under various heads of water up to a maximum frame height of twenty feet. Useful in controlling the flow from reservoirs, rivers, canals and ditches. Convenient, Practically Watertight, and Durable.

How It Is Constructed and Why

1. All parts are of cast iron except the lifting rod and frame, with incidental bolts and nuts. The gates and frames are painted black. The frames will be galvanized before painting, if so ordered.

2. The slide is guided by angles in alignment with seat, and surfaces of each are machined smooth.

3. Machine-cut threads on the stem permit of rapid operation of the slide. When closed, the slide wedges tightly against the seating ring, *insuring practical watertightness.*

4. The seating ring for slide and frame is securely attached to desired lengths of Armco Corrugated Pipe. Structures of a moderate size may be shipped complete, ready for installation.

Armco Corrugated Pipe, while the strongest of cylinders in proportion to the material employed, is of comparatively light weight, and can be easily transported and handled. Its corrugations impart, not only great strength, but a certain flexibility as well, which enables it to conform to such yielding or unstable foundations as may be encountered in wet earthen banks.

Calco Slide Headgates are often employed on the inlet ends of corrugated pipes which have Calco Automatic Gates on their outlet ends. This arrangement makes it easily possible to retain drainage water on marsh lands when desired for silt upbuilding or for pond maintenance and at other times to permit free outflow, while wholly preventing re-flooding from the river or bay.

Calco Slide Headgates are made in diameters ranging from 8 to 72 inches.

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