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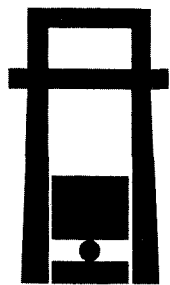
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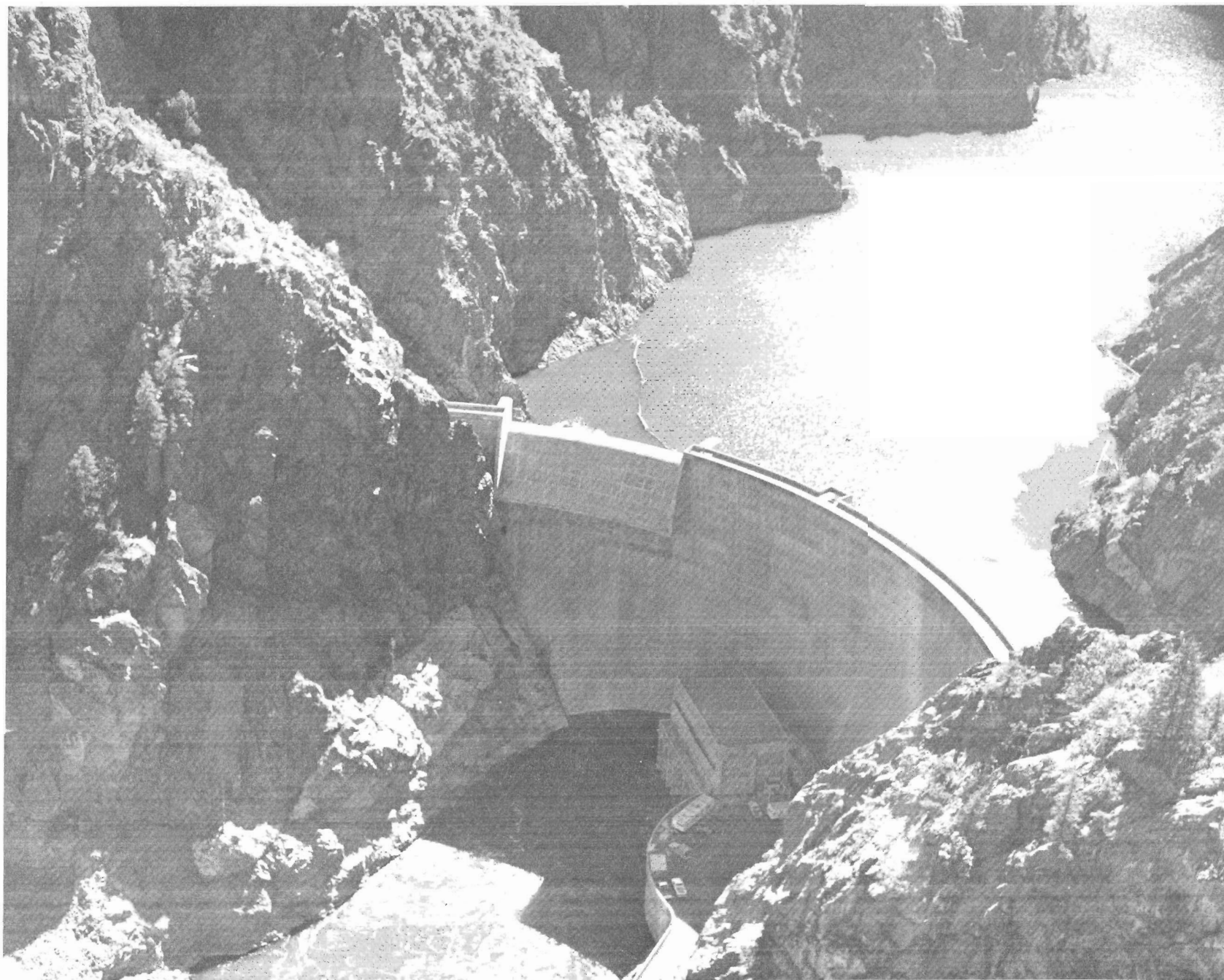


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INTRODUCTION

Crystal Dam is located in the Black Canyon of the Gunnison River, about 40 km (25 mi) west of the city of Gunnison in Montrose County, Colorado. The principal construction features include the mass concrete dam with an overflow spillway, intake and outlet structures, and a powerplant. The double-curvature, thin-arch concrete dam has a structural height of 98 m (323 ft) and a crest length of 194 m (635 ft). The dam contains 112 390 m³ (147 000 yd³) of mass concrete.

As part of the Bureau of Reclamation's ongoing program to monitor and evaluate the strength and elastic properties of mass concrete in major dams, cores were extracted from Crystal Dam for testing at three different ages: approximately 70 days, 6 months, and 1 year. This report presents the results of laboratory tests on these cores. For further monitoring and evaluation of the properties of the concrete, additional cores will probably be extracted from the dam through 20 years' age.

Construction of the dam started in January 1974, and it was topped out in August 1976. The concrete in the dam is divided into blocks by means of vertical contraction joints. Galleries and shafts provide access to the interior of the dam, where most of the cores were extracted. Concrete in the dam contains type II low-alkali cement, natural river sand and coarse aggregate supplemented by crushed material, and air-entraining and water-reducing admixtures. Average cement content used in the dam concrete was 234 kg/m³ (395 lb/yd³) with a 0.47 water/cement ratio. The design of the dam was based on a minimum concrete compressive strength of 27.6 MPa (4000 lb/in²) at 1 year's age.

CONCLUSIONS

Based on results obtained from testing the 250-mm (10-in) diameter cores at 70 days', 6 months', and 1 year's age, the following conclusions are made:

1. The overall condition of the concrete in Crystal Dam after 1 year is very good, which indicates that the concrete was properly proportioned, mixed, placed, consolidated, and cured.
2. The maximum compressive strength of the 1-year-old concrete in the dam was 46 percent greater than the design value.
3. The concrete in the dam became elastically stiffer between 6 months and 1 year, as indicated by slightly higher moduli of elasticity values.
4. The average ratio of tensile to compressive strength was 4.8 percent, which is considered normal for mass concrete [1, 2, 3]*.
5. The tensile bond strength at the horizontal construction joints is approximately equal to or slightly less than the tensile strength of the concrete itself. The tensile bond strength at the horizontal construction joints for the 1-year-old concrete averaged about 10 percent lower than the tensile strength of the surrounding concrete.
6. Although a petrographic examination was not conducted, no visible evidence of chemical attack on the concrete was apparent.

* Numbers in brackets refer to entries in the Bibliography.

CORE EXTRACTION AND DRILLING PROGRAM

The construction specifications (No. DC-7000) for Crystal Dam required extraction of 250-mm (10-in) diameter cores at locations stipulated by Bureau of Reclamation. Nineteen cores were taken: three at approximately 70 days', eight at 6 months', and eight at 1 year's age. All except the three 70-day cores were taken from foundation and utility gallery floors. The three early cores were extracted from the downstream face of the dam. Core locations are shown on figure 1.

The concrete was cored with diamond-edged core barrels to a depth sufficient to permit extraction of two segments which could be effectively cut into at least 500-mm (20-in) lengths. None of the core holes was to be more than 4.6 m (15 ft) deep.

The extraction of the 250-mm-diameter cores began on October 14, 1974, and was completed by April 29, 1976. All cores were drilled vertically except core 10-47-1 which was drilled 12° from vertical and core 10-48-2 which was drilled 9-1/2° from vertical. These were two of the three cores removed from the downstream face of the dam.

ASTM Designation: C 42-77, "Obtaining and Testing Drilled Cores and Sawed Beams of Concrete," specifies that the diameter of concrete cores tested for compressive strength should be at least three times, and must be at least twice, the maximum nominal aggregate size. Since the maximum nominal size aggregate used in Crystal Dam was 75 mm (3 in), the diameter of cores should be at least 225 mm (9 in) and must be at least 150 mm (6 in). The actual

diameters of the cores exceeded these criteria and ranged from 243 to 251 mm (9.6 to 9.9 in).

SHIPPING AND RECEIVING

After the cores were extracted, they were labeled with the project name, block number, hole number, core segment number, elevation, and date drilled. They were then wrapped in plastic, packed in sturdy wooden boxes with damp sawdust, and shipped to the Bureau's Division of Research in Denver for examination and testing.

When the cores arrived in Denver, they were unpacked and inspected (fig. 2). All cores were damp, and no shipping damage was evident. Only one construction joint was disbonded when received. Cores were then logged to provide a record of specimen lengths and any unusual characteristics, such as embedded reinforcing steel, rock pockets, construction joints, etc. Each core was marked for the type of test to be conducted. Photographs of the cores were taken to record details (fig. 3).

CORE TESTING PROGRAM

General

Cores were extracted so that studies could be made of the concrete at 70 days, 6 months, and 1 year. The studies included tests to determine compressive strengths, elastic properties, densities, and tensile strengths.

The early tests were conducted to evaluate the mix proportions and construction procedures and to permit any needed adjustments before too much concrete was placed.

Core Preparation

The cores tested for elastic properties and compressive strengths were sawed to 500-mm (20-in) lengths to conform to the standard length-diameter ratio of 2:1. After sawing, the cores were ground flat and smooth on a lapping machine. Cores tested in tension were sawed to 750-mm (30-in) lengths, the existing laboratory standard. Cores used in evaluating construction joints had at least 150 mm of core on each side of the joint. After grinding and before testing, all specimens were stored in a 100 percent relative humidity, 23 °C (73 °F), controlled atmosphere until testing was completed.

Density

The apparent density of each specimen to be tested in compression was determined prior to strength and elastic properties testing. Chapter 3, paragraphs 3.17 through 3.22 of the Material Laboratories Procedures Manual [4], were used for determining densities, except that the specimens were not oven-dried because of concern that the required 107 °C (225 °F) drying temperature could have some effect on the physical behavior of the concrete during the subsequent testing process.

Elastic Properties

Elastic property tests were run on the same core specimens selected for the compressive strength tests. Modulus of elasticity and Poisson's ratio were

determined using an extensometer-compressometer frame, with dial gages mounted so that longitudinal and lateral deformations were monitored as the actual load was applied. All specimens underwent preloading to reduce testing error. Each specimen was preloaded to an axial compressive stress of approximately 6.9 MPa (1000 lb/in²).

Compressive Strength

Compressive strength tests were conducted on selected core segments to obtain apparent in-place strengths which could be compared to the 150- by 300-mm (6- by 12-in) control cylinder strengths and to determine the strength development of the concrete in the dam over a period of 1 year. In general, the cores selected for compression testing did not contain construction joints.

Compressive strength was determined by axially loading the specimens at a rate of 14 MPa (2000 lb/in²) per minute until failure. Several of the specimens were ruptured completely to permit visual observation of the fractures. No evidence of chemical attack of the concrete was observed.

Tensile Strength

Thirty-eight cores were used for tension tests. Twenty-three of these cores intersected horizontal construction joints. Steel plates, 50 mm (2 in) thick, were cemented with epoxy to the ends of each test specimen. Following a 24-hour cure of the epoxy at room temperature, the cores were placed in the testing machine with the end plates connected to the upper and lower platens through chain linkages. All specimens were loaded axially at a rate of 1.4 MPa (200 lb/in²) per minute until failure occurred (fig. 4).

CORE TEST RESULTS

Density

The computed densities are shown in tables 1 and 1A. The density averaged 2458 kg/m³ (153.4 lb/ft³) for all tests.

Elastic Properties

Results of elastic properties tests are summarized in tables 1, 1A, and 2. The moduli of elasticity averaged 31.7 GPa (4.60×10^6 lb/in²) at 1 year's age. As expected, there was some increase in the moduli from 70 days to 1 year (fig. 5).

Poisson's ratio averaged 0.20 for all the tests with no significant differences between 70 days and 1 year.

Compressive Strength

The results of the individual tests are shown in tables 1 and 1A. Summaries of results are shown in table 2 and figures 6 and 7. The average compressive strength for the concrete was 33.7 MPa (4890 lb/in²) at 6 months' age and 35.0 MPa (5080 lb/in²) at 1 year's age. This shows a 3.9-percent increase in strength from 6 months' age to 1 year's age, which is slightly below average for typical strength development in mass concrete.

The compressive strengths of the cores ranged from 29.2 MPa (4230 lb/in²) to 39.0 MPa (5660 lb/in²) at 6 months' age and from 29.7 MPa (4300 lb/in²) to 40.4 MPa (5860 lb/in²) at 1 year's age. The corresponding coefficients

of variation at 6 months and 1 year were 8.6 and 8.9 percent, respectively, which are excellent for general construction field quality control.

Tensile Strength

The bond strength of the horizontal construction joints appears to be slightly less than the tensile strength of the adjoining concrete (table 3 and figs. 8 and 9). The tensile strength of specimens with construction joints was about 94 percent of the tensile strength of specimens without construction joints. Of 23 specimens which contained construction joints, 14 failed in the joint during testing. The apparent and slight reduction in the tensile strength of jointed specimens from 6 to 12 months' age is not considered significant and likely results from variability of test specimens.

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Table 1. - Summary of results obtained from tests performed on 250-mm (10-in) diameter concrete cores - Crystal Dam [SI METRIC UNITS]

Core No. 1/	Elevation above sea level (m)	Concrete placed	Dates		Station (m)	Age tested	Properties of fresh concrete					Control cylinders			Properties of hardened concrete					Joint 2/	Break 3/	Strength ratio core 28-d cyl (%)	Remarks	
			Specimen drilled	Specimen tested			W/C by mass	Cement content (kg/m ³)	Water content (kg/m ³)	Sand (%)	Density (kg/m ³)	Air content (%)	Compressive strength (MPa)			Concrete cores			Tensile strength (MPa)					
													7-day	28-day	90-day	Compressive strength (MPa)	Elastic properties E x 10 ⁻⁶	r						Density (kg/m ³)
10-47-1A	1972	8-13-74	10-14-74	10-22-74	1+52.6	70 days	0.56	254	143	23	2398	4	21.4	34.0	-	25.4	27.3	0.24	2420	75	Core 10-47-1 drilled in D/S face 0.21 rad (17°) off vertical. Broke below the joint at elevation 2119.			
10-47-1C		8-13-74	10-14-74	10-22-74	1+52.6	70 days	0.56	254	143	23	2398	4	21.4	34.0	-	19.4	28.6	0.19	2410	57				
10-47-1D		8-13-74	10-14-74	No test	1+52.6	No test	0.56	254	143	23	2398	4	21.4	34.0	-	31.2	24.8	0.19	2430	92				
10-47-1E	1972	8-13-74	10-15-74	10-22-74	1+52.6	70 days	0.56	254	143	23	2398	4	21.4	34.0	-									
10-48-1E	1972	7-31-74	10-15-74	10-22-74	1+52.6	87 days	0.50	235	117	27	2430	4	23.4	34.1	-				1.31	Yes	No			
10-48-2A	1975	8-23-74	10-17-74	No test	1+49.4	No test	0.47	252	119	22	2418	4	20.9	31.6	37.6							Core 10-48-2 drilled in D/S face 0.17 rad (9.5°) off vertical. Broke above the joint at elevation 2123.		
10-48-2B		8-23-74	10-17-74	10-31-74	1+49.4	69 days	0.47	252	119	22	2418	4	20.9	31.6	-	25.5	26.3	0.14	2440	1.14	No			
10-48-2C		8-23-74	10-18-74	10-31-74	1+49.4	69 days	0.47	252	119	22	2418	4	20.9	31.6	-				1.61	No	No			
10-48-2D	1972	8-23-74	10-18-74	10-31-74	1+49.4	69 days	0.47	252	119	22	2418	4	20.9	31.6	-					Yes	Yes			
10-47-2D	1972	8-13-74	10-18-74	10-31-74	1+49.4	79 days	*0.51	*275	*139	*26	2384	3	-	-	-									
8-48-3A	1974	8-19-74	10-21-74	No test	1+27.0	No test	0.50	275	136	23	2434	4	28.8	36.5	40.6							Core 8-48-3 drilled vertically D/S face. Curing compound found on joint at elevation 2123.		
8-48-3B		8-19-74	10-22-74	10-31-74	1+27.0	73 days	0.50	275	136	23	2434	4	28.8	36.5	-	32.1	30.1	0.21	2440	0.57	No			
8-48-3C		8-19-74	10-22-74	10-31-74	1+27.0	73 days	0.50	275	136	23	2434	4	28.8	36.5	-	34.3	28.5	0.21	2420		Yes		Yes	
8-48-3D	1972	8-19-74	10-22-74	10-31-74	1+27.0	73 days	0.50	275	136	23	2434	4	28.8	36.5	-									
8-47-3D	1972	8-10-74	10-22-74	10-31-74	1+27.0	82 days	0.56	233	130	25	2377	5	15.7	25.5	-									
Average																	28.0	27.6	0.20	2420	1.16			
8-49-4A	1978	8-29-74	1-29-75	3- 7-75	1+28.2	6 months	0.43	274	118	26	2350	5	23.7	34.4	42.5	30.9	32.2	0.19	2470	0.92	No		Concrete drilled vertically from foundation gallery floor. Broke 50 mm above joint at elevation 2126.	
8-49-4B		8-29-74	1-29-75	3- 7-75	1+28.2	6 months	0.43	274	118	26	2350	5	23.7	34.4	42.5									
8-49-4C		8-29-74	1-29-75	3- 7-75	1+28.2	6 months	0.43	274	118	26	2350	5	23.7	34.4	42.5	35.1	34.3	-	2470		Yes	Yes		
8-49-4D	1975	8-29-74	1-30-75	3- 7-75	1+28.2	6 months	0.43	274	118	26	2350	5	23.7	34.4	42.5					1.12	No	No		
8-48-4D	1975	8-19-74	1-30-75	3- 7-75	1+28.2	6 months	0.50	276	136	23	2420	2	28.8	36.5	40.6									
12-49-5A	1978	8-31-74	1-31-75	3- 8-75	1+76.6	6 months	0.50	258	129	26	2370	4	17.3	26.1	32.2	32.6	29.2	0.23	2480	1.59	No		Concrete drilled vertically from foundation gallery floor. Broke 50 mm above joint at elevation 2126.	
12-49-5B		8-31-74	2- 3-75	3- 8-75	1+76.6	6 months	0.50	258	129	26	2370	4	17.3	26.1	32.2	36.3	33.0	0.24	2450		Yes	Yes		
12-49-5C		8-31-74	2- 3-75	3- 8-75	1+76.6	6 months	0.50	258	129	26	2370	4	17.3	26.1	32.2					1.59	No	No		
12-49-5D	1975	8-31-74	2- 3-75	3- 8-75	1+76.6	6 months	0.50	258	129	26	2370	4	17.3	26.1	32.2					1.63	Yes	No		
12-48-5D	1975	8-21-74	2- 3-75	3- 8-75	1+76.6	6 months	0.46	275	127	22	2400	3	21.2	32.1	41.6									
10-49-6A	1978	9- 4-75	2- 4-75	3-10-75	1+49.2	6 months	0.49	270	132	24	2390	3	17.9	27.6	30.4	29.2	32.4	0.24	2490	1.77	No		Concrete drilled vertically from foundation gallery floor. Joint at elevation 2126.	
10-49-6B		9- 4-75	2- 4-75	3-10-75	1+49.2	6 months	0.49	270	132	24	2390	3	17.9	27.6	30.4									
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10-48-6D	1975	8-23-74	2- 4-75	3-10-75	1+49.2	6 months	0.47	252	119	22	2400	3	20.9	31.6	37.6									
9-49-7A	1978	9-26-74	2- 6-75	3-27-75	1+40.4	6 months	0.51	241	125	22	2420	3	18.7	27.4	-	33.2	31.4	0.18	2550	1.13	No		Concrete drilled vertically from foundation gallery floor. Joint at elevation 2126. Joint had structural 38-mm MSA concrete on joint.	
9-49-7B		9-26-74	2- 6-75	3-27-75	1+40.4	6 months	0.51	241	125	22	2420	3	18.7	27.4	-	29.7	26.7	0.20	2450		Yes	Yes		
9-49-7C		9-26-74	2- 6-75	3-27-75	1+40.4	6 months	0.51	241	125	22	2420	3	18.7	27.4	-					1.13	No			
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8-49-8C		8-29-74	8- 5-75	9- 4-75	1+26.6	1 year	0.43	274	118	26	2350	5	23.7	34.4	42.5					0.68	No			
8-48-8D	1975	8-29-74	8- 5-75	9- 4-75	1+26.6	1 year	0.43	274	118	26	2350	5	23.7	34.4	42.5						Yes	Yes		
12-49-9A	1978	8-31-74	8- 6-75	No test	1+78.2	No test	0.50	258	129	26	2370	4	17.3	26.1	32.2	33.4	28.0	0.18	2440	2.24	No		Concrete drilled vertically from the foundation gallery floor. Construction joint at elevation 2126.	
12-49-9B		8-31-74	8- 7-75	No test	1+78.2	1 year	0.50	258	129	26	2370	4	17.3	26.1	32.2					1.25	No			
12-49-9C		8-31-74	8- 7-75	No test	1+78.2	1 year	0.50	258	129	26	2370	4	17.3	26.1	32.2						Yes	Yes		
12-49-9D	1975	8-31-74	8- 7-75	No test	1+78.2	1 year	0.50	258	129	26	2370	4	17.3	26.1	32.2									
12-48-9D	1975	8-21-75	8- 7-75	No test	1+78.2	1 year	0.46	275	127	22	2400	3	21.2	32.1	41.6									
10-49-10A	1978	9- 4-74	8- 8-75	No test	1+51.1	No test	0.49	270	132	24	2390	3	17.9	27.6	30.4	32.7	31.8	0.22	2470	1.97	No		Concrete drilled vertically from the foundation gallery floor. Construction joint at elevation 2126.	
10-49-10B		9- 4-74	8- 8-75	No test	1+51.1	1 year	0.49	270	132	24	2390	3	17.9	27.6	30.4					1.65	Yes	No		
10-49-10C		9- 4-74	8- 8-75	No test	1+51.1	1 year	0.49	270	132	24	2390	3	17.9	27.6	30.4									
10-49-10D	1975	9- 4-74	8-11-75	No test	1+51.1	1 year	0.49	270	132	24	2390	3	17.9	27.6	30.4									
10-48-10D	1975	8-23-74	8-11-75	No test	1+51.1	1 year	0.47	252	119	22	2400	3	20.9	31.6	37.6									
9-49-11A	1978	9-26-74	8-12-75	9-26-75	1+38.5	1 year	0.51	241	125	22	2420	2	18.7	27.4	-	32.5	30.0	0.16	2470	2.13	No		Concrete drilled vertically from the foundation gallery. Thirty-eight-mm MSA structural concrete used on joint at elevation 2126. Specimen 11D broke along cooling pipe on the joint.	
9-49-11B		9-26-74	8-12-75	9-26-75	1+38.5	1 year	0.51	241	125	22	2420	2	18.7	27.4	-	29.6	28.3	0.15	2460	0.81	No			
9-49-11C		9-26-74	8-12-75	9-26-75	1+38.5	1 year	0.51	241	125	22	2420	2	18.7	27.4	-						Yes			
9-49-11D	1975	9-26-64	8-12-75	9-26-75	1+38.5	1 year	0.51	241	125	22	2420	2	18.7	27.4	-									
9-48-11D	1975	9-13-74	8-12-75	9-26-75	1+38.5	1 year	0.54	235	126	21	2400	3	12.4	24.6	31.8									
Average																	31.9	28.9	0.19	2450	1.59			

Table 1. - Summary of results obtained from tests performed on 250-mm (10-in) diameter concrete cores - Crystal Dam [SI METRIC UNITS] - Continued

Core No. 1/	Elevation above sea level (m)	Concrete placed	Dates Specimen drilled	Specimen tested	Station (m)	Age tested	Properties of fresh concrete					Properties of hardened concrete										Joint 2/	Break 3/	Strength ratio core 28-d cyl (%)	Remarks
							W/C by mass	Cement content (kg/m³)	Water content (kg/m³)	Sand (%)	Density (kg/m³)	Air content (%)	Control cylinders			Concrete cores				Tensile strength (MPa)					
													Compressive strength (MPa)	Elastic properties E x 10 ⁻⁶ (GPa)	r	Density (kg/m³)									
																	7-day	28-day	90-day						
8-57A-12A	2000	5- 7-75	10- 7-75	10-29-75	1+23.5	6 months	0.50	237	119	24	2420	3	20.0	30.2	36.5										Concrete drilled vertically from utility gallery floor. Construction joints at elevations 2152 and 2149.
8-56-12A	1999	4-29-75	10- 7-75	10-29-75	1+23.5	6 months	0.50	218	110	25	2430	3	16.1	32.9	42.7				0.62	Yes	Yes				
8-56-12B		4-29-75	10- 7-75	10-29-75	1+23.5	6 months	0.50	218	110	25	2430	3	16.1	32.9	42.7				1.17	No	No				
8-56-12C		4-29-75	10- 7-75	10-29-75	1+23.5	6 months	0.50	218	110	25	2430	3	16.1	32.9	42.7	32.2	33.0	0.22	2470						
8-56-12D	1996	4-29-75	10- 8-75	10-29-75	1+23.5	6 months	0.50	218	110	25	2430	3	16.1	32.9	42.7				1.47	Yes	Yes				
8-55-12D	1996	10-25-75	10- 8-75	10-29-75	1+23.5	6 months	0.53	239	128	23	2390	4	15.0	29.0	-										
12-57A-13A	2000	5-27-75	10- 9-75	11-21-75	1+77.2	6 months	0.46	235	107	24	2450	3	19.7	30.9	-										Concrete drilled vertically from utility gallery floor. Construction joints at elevations 2152 and 2149. A 5-mm by 30-mm by 65-mm void space on joint at elevation 2149.
12-56-13A	1999	5-19-75	10- 9-75	11-21-75	1+77.2	6 months	0.43	231	99	23	2420	5	19.7	30.9	-				1.45	Yes	Yes				
12-56-13B		5-19-75	10- 9-75	11-21-75	1+77.2	6 months	0.43	231	99	23	2420	5	19.7	30.9	-	38.1	31.4	0.20	2500						
12-56-13C		5-19-75	10- 9-75	11-21-75	1+77.2	6 months	0.43	231	99	23	2420	5	19.7	30.9	-				1.15	No	No				
12-56-13D	1996	5-19-75	10- 9-75	11-21-75	1+77.2	6 months	0.43	231	99	23	2420	5	19.7	30.9	-				1.34	Yes	Yes				
12-55-13D	1996	5- 9-75	10- 9-75	11-21-75	1+77.2	6 months	0.48	228	111	23	2400	4	23.0	32.1	39.8										
11-57A-14A	2000	6-24-75	11-18-75	12-18-75	1+59.7	6 months	0.42	234	98	23	2420	4	21.9	29.9	35.3										Concrete drilled vertically from utility gallery floor. Construction joints at elevations 2152 and 2149.
11-56-14A	1999	6-21-75	11-18-75	12-18-75	1+59.7	6 months	0.43	232	100	23	2430	4	25.1	32.1	36.4				1.70	Yes	No				
11-56-14B		6-21-75	11-18-75	12-18-75	1+59.7	6 months	0.43	232	100	23	2430	4	25.1	32.1	36.4	31.5	30.5	0.20	2440						
11-56-14C		6-21-75	11-19-75	12-18-75	1+59.7	6 months	0.43	232	100	23	2430	4	25.1	32.1	36.4	35.4	33.8	0.20	2480						
11-56-14D	1996	6-21-75	11-19-75	12-18-75	1+59.7	6 months	0.43	232	100	23	2430	4	25.1	32.1	36.4				1.95	Yes	No				
11-55-14D	1996	6-10-75	11-19-75	12-18-75	1+59.7	6 months	0.45	234	106	23	2420	4	-	34.3	-										
13-57A-15A	2000	6-28-75	11-19-75	12-18-75	1+90.4	6 months	*0.50	*229	*115	*23	2430	4	-	-	-	34.2	30.1	0.20	2550						
13-56-15A	1999	6-24-75	11-19-75	12-18-75	1+90.4	6 months	0.48	237	113	23	2400	4	23.4	30.7	-										
13-56-15B		6-24-75	11-19-75	12-18-75	1+90.4	6 months	0.48	237	113	23	2400	4	23.4	30.7	-				0.90	No	No				
13-56-15C		6-24-75	11-20-75	12-18-75	1+90.4	6 months	0.48	237	113	23	2400	4	23.4	30.7	-	34.1	29.3	0.21	2450						
13-56-15D	1996	6-24-75	11-20-75	12-18-75	1+90.4	6 months	0.48	237	113	23	2400	4	23.4	30.7	-				1.29	Yes	Yes				
13-55-15D	1996	6-10-75	11-20-75	12-18-75	1+90.4	6 months	0.49	226	110	23	2390	5	-	25.9	-										
Average																34.3	31.4	0.21	2470	1.30					
8-57A-16A	2000	5- 7-75	3-18-76	5- 5-76	1+24.7	1 year	0.50	237	119	23	2420	3	20.0	30.2	36.5										Concrete drilled vertically from utility gallery floor. Joint at elevation 2152 disbonded when received in the laboratory. Joints at elevations 2152 and 2149.
8-56-16A	1999	4-29-75	3-18-76	5- 5-76	1+24.7	1 year	0.50	218	110	25	2420	3	16.1	32.9	42.7										
8-56-16B		4-29-75	3-18-76	5- 5-76	1+24.7	1 year	0.50	218	110	25	2420	3	16.1	32.9	42.7				1.65	No	No				
8-56-16C		4-29-75	3-18-76	5- 5-76	1+24.7	1 year	0.50	218	110	25	2420	3	16.1	32.9	42.7				1.34	No	No				
8-56-16D	1996	4-29-75	3-18-76	5- 5-76	1+24.7	1 year	0.50	218	110	25	2420	3	16.1	32.9	42.7				0.76	Yes	Yes				
8-55-16D	1996	10-25-74	3-18-76	5- 5-76	1+24.7	1 year	0.53	239	128	23	2390	4	15.0	29.0	-										
12-57A-17A	2000	5-27-75	3-19-76	5-18-76	1+78.8	1 year	0.46	235	107	24	2450	3	19.7	30.9	-										Concrete drilled vertically from utility gallery floor. Joints at elevations 2152 and 2149. Joint at elevation 2152 disbonded when received in the laboratory.
12-56-17A	1999	5-19-75	3-19-76	5-18-76	1+78.8	1 year	0.43	231	99	22	2420	5	19.7	30.9	-				1.27	Yes	Yes				
12-56-17B		5-19-75	2-19-76	5-18-76	1+78.8	1 year	0.43	231	99	22	2420	5	19.7	30.9	-	39.4	31.0	0.18	2450						
12-56-17C		5-19-75	3-22-76	5-18-76	1+78.8	1 year	0.43	231	99	22	2420	5	19.7	30.9	-	38.1	46.4	0.25	2480						
12-56-17D	1996	5-19-75	3-22-76	No test	1+78.8	No test	0.43	231	99	22	2420	5	19.7	30.9	-										
12-55-17D	1996	5- 9-75	3-22-76	No test	1+78.8	No test	0.48	228	111	22	2400	4	23.0	32.1	39.8										
11-57A-18A	2000	6-24-75	4-20-76	6-21-76	1+61.4	1 year	0.42	234	98	22	2420	4	21.9	29.9	35.3	40.4	33.6	0.17	2530						
11-56-18A	1999	6-21-75	4-20-76	6-21-76	1+61.4	1 year	0.43	232	100	23	2430	4	25.1	32.1	36.4										
11-56-18B		6-21-75	4-20-76	6-21-76	1+61.4	1 year	0.43	232	100	23	2430	4	25.1	32.1	36.4	37.8	32.0	0.21	2510						
11-56-18C		6-21-75	4-20-76	6-21-76	1+61.4	1 year	0.43	232	100	23	2430	4	25.1	32.1	36.4	37.5	33.5	0.22	2480						
11-56-18D	1996	6-21-75	4-21-76	6-21-76	1+61.4	1 year	0.43	232	100	23	2430	4	25.1	32.1	36.4				1.74	Yes	Yes				
11-55-18D	1996	6-10-75	4-21-76	6-21-76	1+61.4	1 year	0.45	234	106	22	2420	4	-	34.3	-										
13-57A-19A	2000	6-28-75	4-29-76	6-24-76	1+93.7	1 year	*0.50	*229	*115	*23	2340	4	-	-	-										Concrete drilled vertically from utility gallery floor. Joints at elevations 2152 and 2149. Specimen 19A broke near a piece of angle iron running completely through the core.
13-56-19A	1999	6-24-75	4-29-76	6-24-76	1+93.7	1 year	0.48	237	113	23	2400	4	23.4	30.7	-				1.15	Yes	No				
13-56-19B-1		6-24-75	4-29-76	6-24-76	1+93.7	1 year	0.48	237	113	23	2400	4	23.4	30.7	-	36.9	30.5	0.17	2430						
13-56-19B-2		6-24-75	4-29-76	6-24-76	1+93.7	1 year	0.48	237	113	23	2400	4	23.4	30.7	-	30.6	28.4	0.20	2430						
13-56-19C		6-24-75	4-29-76	6-24-76	1+93.7	1 year	0.48	237	113	23	2400	4	23.4	30.7	-										
13-56-19D	1996	6-24-75	4-29-76	6-24-76	1+93.7	1 year	0.48	237	113	23	2400	4	23.4	30.7	-				1.42	No	No				
13-55-19D	1996	6-10-76	4-29-76	6-24-76	1+93.7	1 year	0.49	226	110	23	2390	5	-	25.9	-				2.38	Yes	No				
Average																37.3	33.8	0.20	2480	1.46					

* Design values rather than actual yield values.
1/ First number, block number; second, lift number; third, core specimen number.
2/ Did specimen contain a construction joint?
3/ Did joint break during construction?

Table 1A. - Summary of results obtained from tests performed on 250-mm (10-in) diameter concrete cores - Crystal Dam [INCH-POUND UNITS]

Core No. 1/	Elevation above sea level (ft)	Concrete placed	Dates		Station (ft)	Age tested	Properties of fresh concrete					Properties of hardened concrete							Joint 2/ 3/	Break 3/	Strength ratio core 28-d cyl (%)	Remarks																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																						
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10-47-1A	6469	8-13-74	10-14-74	10-22-74	5+00.7	70 days	0.56	429	241	23	149	3	3110	4930	-	3690	3.97	0.24	150.5																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																									

Table 1A. - Summary of results obtained from tests performed on 250-mm (10-in) diameter concrete cores - Crystal Dam [INCH-FOUND UNITS] - Continued

Core No. 1/ 2/ 3/	Elevation above sea level (ft)	Dates				Station (ft)	Age tested	Properties of fresh concrete					Properties of hardened concrete										Joint 2/ 3/	Break 3/	Strength ratio core 28-d cyl (%)	Remarks																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																	
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* Design values rather than actual yield values.

1/ First number, block number; second, lift number; third, core specimen number.

2/ Did specimen contain a construction joint?

3/ Did joint break during construction?

Table 2. - Summary of test data - Crystal Dam concrete cores

Average age	Number of specimens	Average compressive strength		Coefficient of variation (%)	Strength ratio *	Modulus of elasticity		Poisson's ratio (average)
		MPa	lb/in ²			GPa	lb/in ²	
70 days	6	28.0	4060	19.7	81	27.6	4.00 x 10 ⁶	0.20
6 months	14	33.7	4890	8.6	112	31.4	4.55 x 10 ⁶	0.21
1 year	14	35.0	5080	8.9	116	31.7	4.60 x 10 ⁶	0.20

* Strength ratio = $\frac{\text{core strength}}{\text{28-day cylinder strength}}$

Table 3. - Summary of test data - Crystal Dam concrete cores with and without construction joints

Type of specimen	Average age	Number of specimens tested	Average tensile strength		Average strength ratio tensile/compressive (%)	Number of failures at joints
			MPa	lb/in ²		
Jointed	76 days	3	1.17	170	4	1
Nonjointed	69 days	1	1.17	170	4	-
Jointed	6 months	11	1.38	200	4	7
Nonjointed	6 months	7	1.24	180	4	-
Jointed	1 year	9	1.31	190	4	6
Nonjointed	1 year	7	1.79	260	5	-



Figure 2. - Typical "as-received" condition of 250-mm (10-in) diameter cores - Crystal Dam. Photo Pb22C-427-7363.



Figure 3. - Typical 250-mm (10-in) diameter cores showing a construction joint - Crystal Dam. Photo C-8426-2.



Figure 4. - Typical 250-mm (10-in) diameter core after tensile strength test - Crystal Dam. Photo C-8448-1.

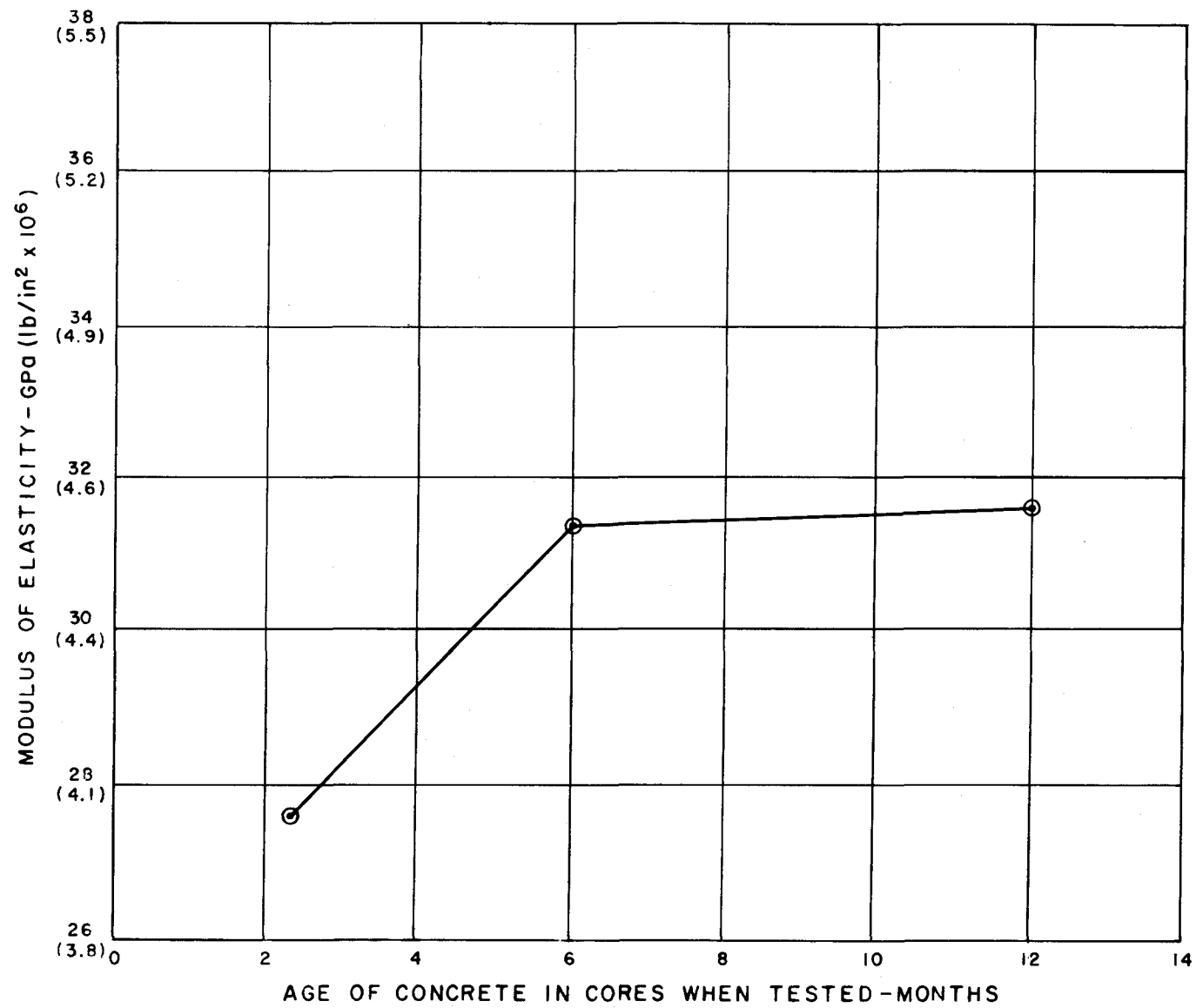


Figure 5. - Average moduli of elasticity of mass concrete in Crystal Dam.

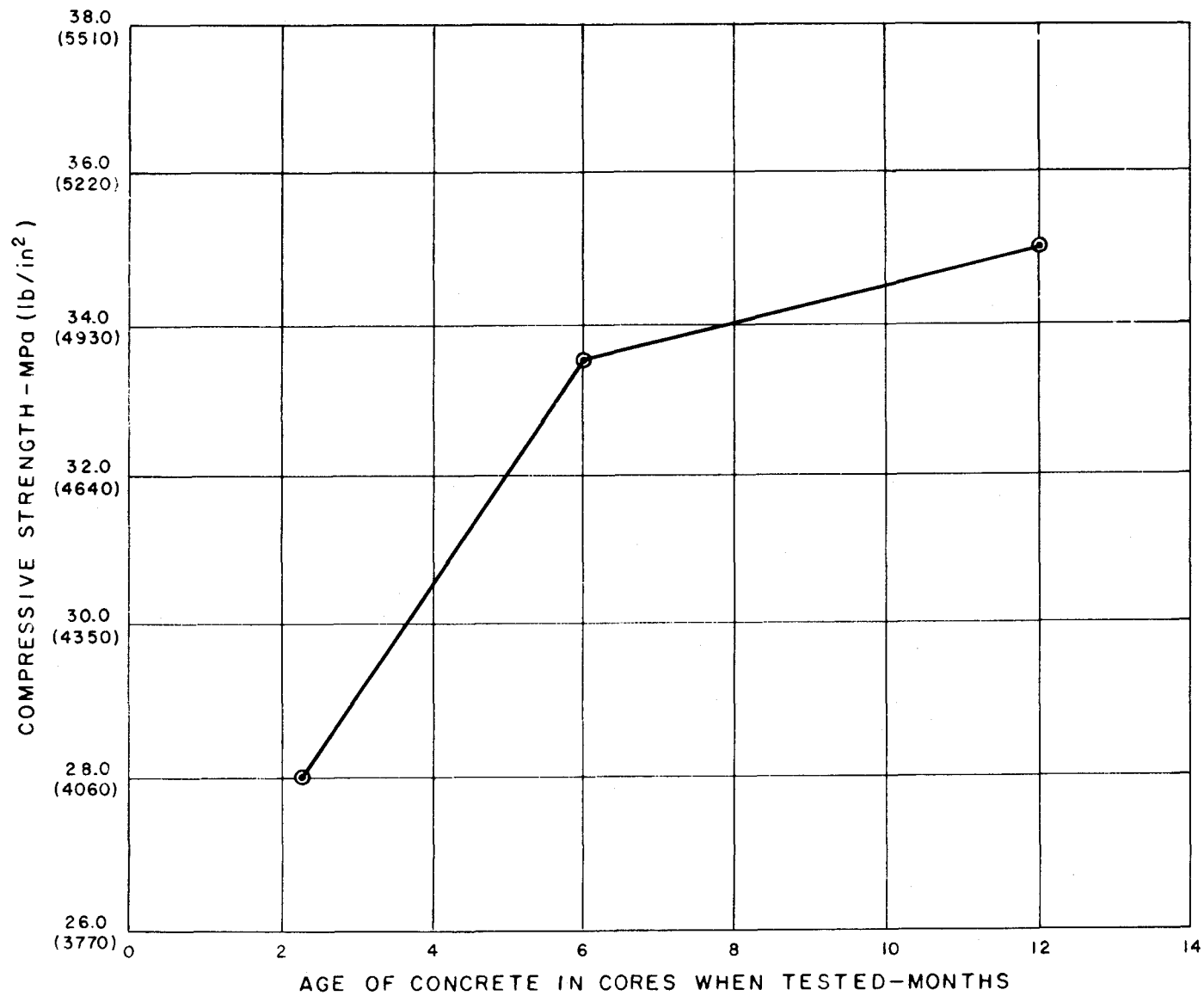


Figure 6. - Average compressive strength of mass concrete in Crystal Dam.

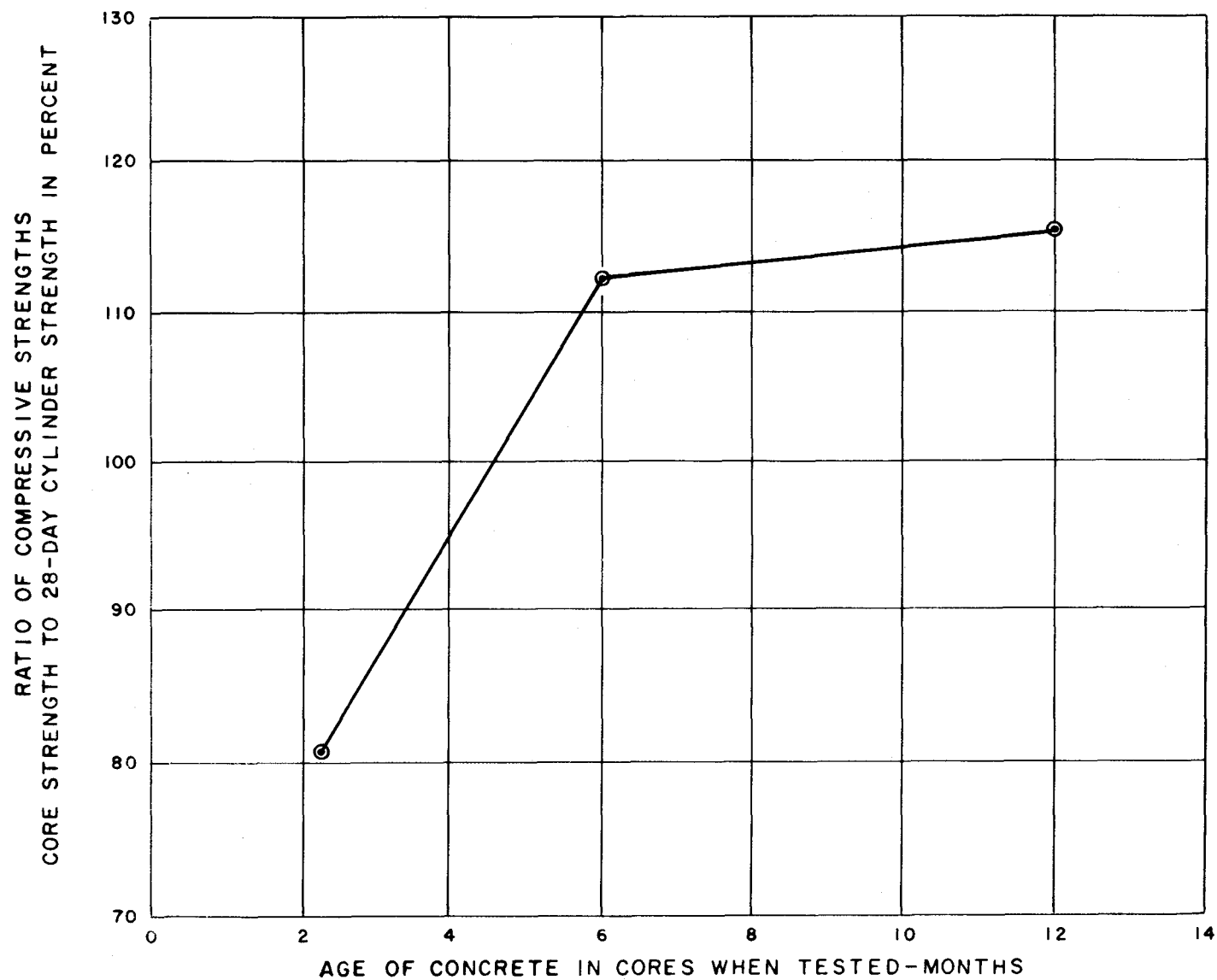


Figure 7. - Ratio of core to companion 28-day cylinder strengths in Crystal Dam.

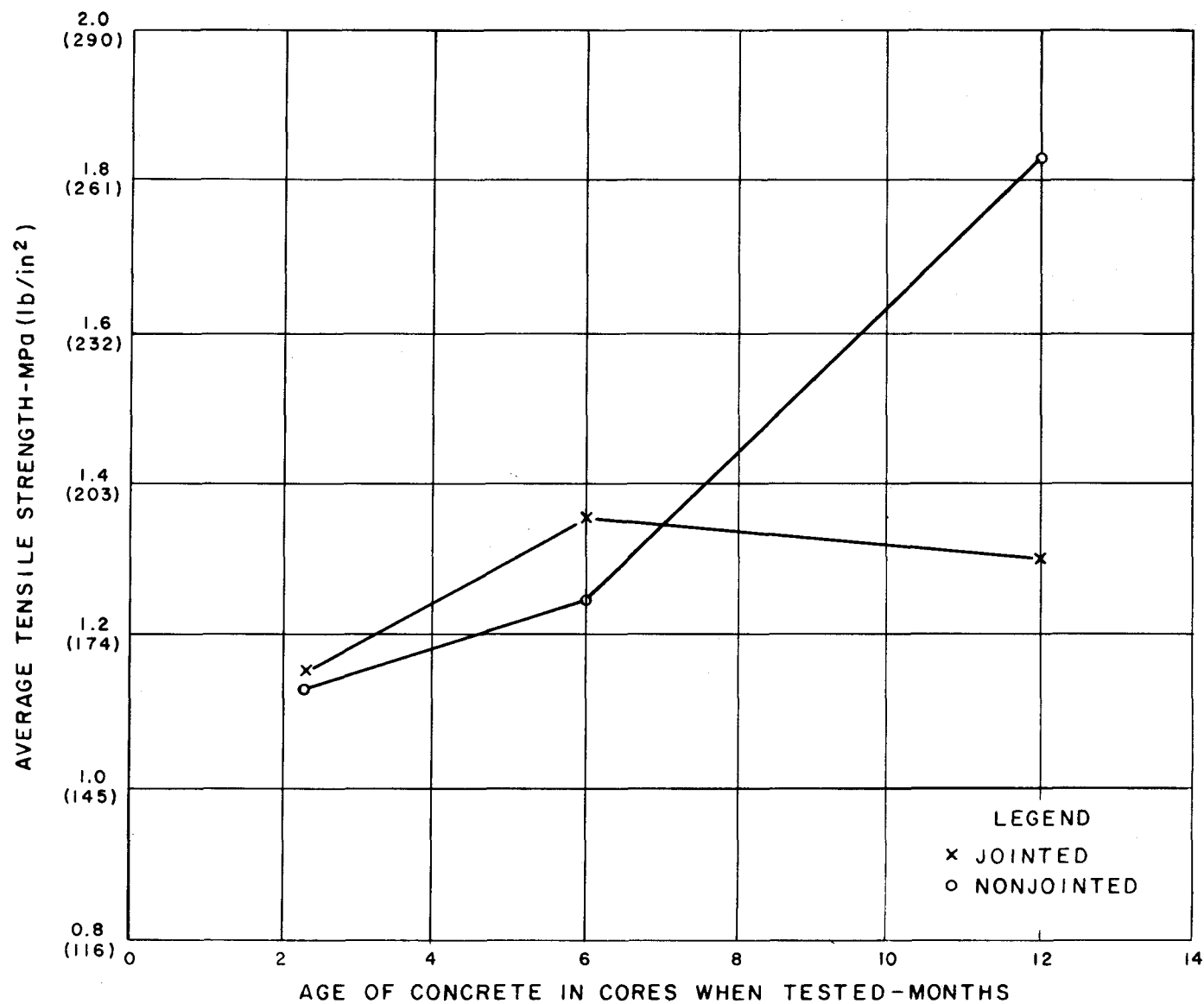


Figure 8. - Average tensile strength of mass concrete in Crystal Dam.

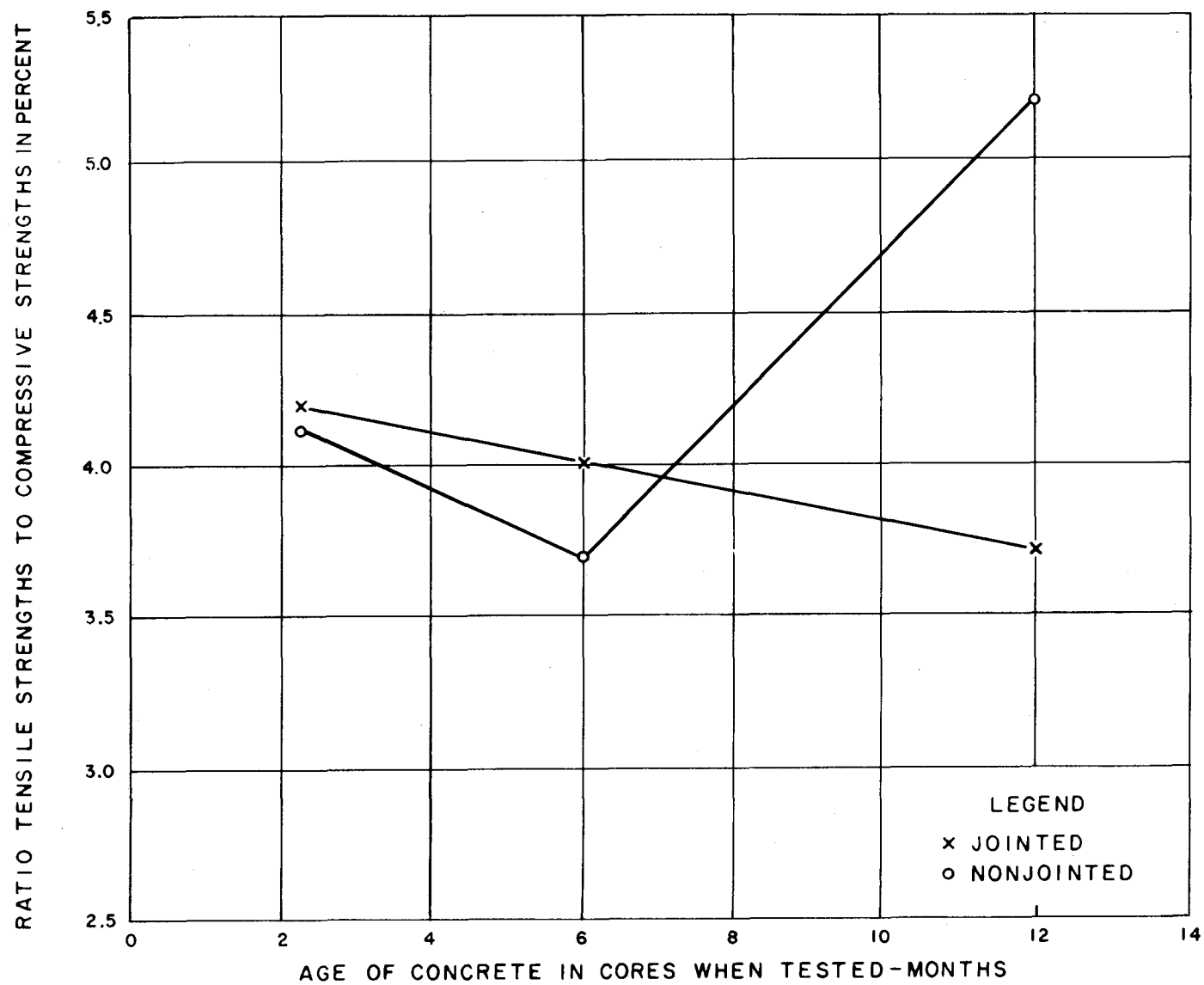


Figure 9. - Ratio of tensile strengths to companion compressive strengths in Crystal Dam.

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