

CHAPTER VII

PRESENTATION, ANALYSIS AND DISCUSSION
OF EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS7.1. Presentation of Results

Experimental schedule prepared as given in Table 5.1 has been followed for the investigation of the influence of various factors on the consolidation characteristics of clays. It is proposed to present the data, observations and results according to the following scheme. The details of the materials tested, equipments employed and laboratory observations from consolidation tests are given as Appendix in Volume No. II. A detailed index of the above appendix is prepared and presented below to serve as guide to all experimental data.

These experimental observations are proposed to be analysed and discussed from fundamental considerations. It is proposed to compare these experimental results with those

Table 7.1. Properties of Material Tested

Material Property	Kaolinite	Reference	Bentonite	Reference	Illite	Reference
Predominant Mineral	Kaolinite	Fig.C 7	Montmorillo- nite	Fig. C 8	Illite	Fig.C 9
Specific Gravity	2.55	Table C.1	2.34	Table 2	2.6	Table C.3
Clay content	43%	Fig. C 4	72%	Fig. C 6	49%	Fig. C.5
Liquid Limit	67.8%	Fig. C 1	365%	Fig. C 2	46.4%	Fig. C.3
Plasticity Index	36.6%	Table C 4 (Vol.II)	301.42	Table C 5 (Vol.II)	21.4	Table C 6 (Vol.II)
Activity	0.85	Table C 4	4.18	Table C 5	0.437	Table C 6
Source	Saurashtra, Gujarat India	-	Saurashtra Gujarat India	-	Fithion Illinoice U.S.A.	-

Table No. 7.2. Index for Experimental Results as given in Appendix H
CLAY MINERAL

PLOT	Kaolinite		Bentonite		Illite	
	Casa	Oedo	Rowe	Oedo	Casa	Oedo
Settlement - D.G. vs Time	1	6	22, 24, 26, 18	7	30, 32, 34, 36, 38	12 - 18
U _m % Δσ	-	-	23, 25, 27, 29	-	31, 33, 35, 37, 39	-
Void Ratio vs Log Pressure	19	47	47	20	48	21
						49

DEGREE OF SATURATION

PLOT	Kaolinite		Bentonite	
	+ OMC	OMC	+ OMC	OMC
Settlement - D.G. vs Time	55 - 60	50 - 54	61 - 62	71 - 74
Void Ratio vs Log Pressure	75	75	75	76

FABRIC STRUCTURE

PLOT	Kaolinite						Bentonite		
	Casa-Oedo			Rowe-Oedo			Casa-Oedo		
	Flocc	Dispr	Flocc	Dispr	Flocc	Dispr	Flocc	Dispr	Dispr
Settlement - D.G. vs Time	77-83	84-89	107,109, 111,113	117,119 121,123	90-94	96-102	125,126, 128	130,132, 134,136	
U_m vs Time	-	-	108,110, 112,114	116,118, 120,122 124	-	-	127,129,	131,133, 135,137	
$\Delta\sigma$									
Void-Ratio vs Log Pressure	103	104	138	139	105	106	140	141	

DRAINAGE PATH

PLOT	Kaolinite			
	Vertical		Horizontal	
	Inclined		Inclined	
Settlement - D.G. vs Time	142 - 146	152 - 156	147 - 151	157
Void Ratio vs Log Pressure	157	157		
	H = 0.25"	H = 0.5"	H = 1"	H = 2"
Settlement - D.G. vs Time	257 - 263	264 - 269	270 - 275	276 - 281
Void Ratio vs Log Pressure	282	283	284	285

STRESS HISTORY

PLOT	Kaolinite (Casa - Oedo)			
	Set I	Set II	Set III	Set IV
Settlement D.G. vs Time	158 - 169	170 - 181	182 - 198	199 - 210
Void Ratio vs Log Pressure	211	211	212	212

PLOT	Kaolinite				Bentonite			
	Casa Oedo	Rowe Oedo	Casa Oedo	Rowe Oedo	Casa Oedo	Rowe Oedo	Casa Oedo	Rowe Oedo
Settlement D.G. vs Time	213-217 229,231, 233,235	218-221 237, 239, 241, 243	222-225	226-228	245,247, 249	251	246,248, 250	252
Void Ratio vs Log Pressure	19	253	228	254	228	255	256	256

from theory discussed in Chapter IV. The theoretical values computed are presented in Volume II as Appendix G.

7.2. Determination of Parameters

7.2.1. Co-efficient of Consolidation

In the present work the Naylor-Doran (1948) curve fitting method is employed to determine the coefficient of consolidation, C_v . The method is based on the theory of distribution of errors to evaluate the correct value fitting with the experimental curve. It is known that square root method (Taylor 1942) cannot take into account the final reading while the log time method (Casagrande 1936) is unable to mark initial reading leading to errors in the general curve. A stepwise procedure for the determination of co-efficient of consolidation is explained in terms of an actual example as given in Table 7.3.

(i) Note initial δ_i' and final δ_f' dial gauge readings from root time curve (Fig. 7.1) and log time curve (Fig. 7.2) respectively. In this example $\delta_i' = 1112$ and $\delta_f' = 690$.

(ii) Plot $\log(1 - U')$ against time in minutes as shown in Fig. 7.3.

(iii) Set up one tangent at $(1 - U') = 0.4$ and another one at $(1 - U') = 0.2$. Measure ordinates corresponding to zero time and any other convenient time. In the example, the values are $(1 - U')_{0.2}^{t=0} = 0.63$, $(1 - U')_{0.4}^{t=0} = 0.78$ and $(1 - U')_{0.2}^{t=20} = 0.212$, $(1 - U')_{0.4}^{t=20} = 0.195$. Put the values obtained on the chart

Table 7.3. Determination of Co-efficient of Consolidation by Naylor-Doran (1948) method.

Sample : Ill-Sat-Casa				Load Intensity : 0.8 kg/cm ²			
Clock Time	Time (Mnts)	Diag Gauge Reading X 10 ⁻⁴ inch.	Δh	$\delta'_i=1112$ $\delta - \delta'_i$	$\delta'_f=660$ $1-U' = \frac{\delta - \delta'_f}{\delta'_i - \delta'_f}$	$\delta'_i=112$ $\delta - \delta'_f$	$\delta'_f=690$ $1-U' = \frac{\delta - \delta'_f}{\delta'_i - \delta'_f}$
10am.	0	1129	0	452	1.0	432	1.0
	1/4	1065	64	405	0.896	375	0.867
	1	1040	89	380	0.752	350	0.81
	2 1/4	975	154	315	0.697	285	0.66
	4	929	200	269	0.594	239	0.554
	6 1/2	883	246	223	0.492	193	0.447
	9	944	285	184	0.407	154	0.349
	12 1/4	808	320	148	0.328	118	0.274
	16	784	345	124	0.274	94	0.217
	20 1/4	756	373	96	0.212	66	0.152
	25	734	395	74	0.163	44	0.102
	36	700	429	40	0.088	10	0.023
	49	682	447	22	-	-	-
	66	670	459	10	-	-	-
	90	657	471	-	-	-	-
12-40pm	157	646	483	-	-	-	-
1-30	207	641	488	-	-	-	-
2-30	267	637	492	-	-	-	-
5-00	417	631	498	-	-	-	-
6-15	492	627	501	-	-	-	-
7-30	567	626	503	-	-	-	-
10am.	24 hours	617	514	-	-	-	-

$h_o = .7543$	$e = - 0.075$	$\delta_f = \frac{\delta'_f - e \delta'_i}{1 - e} = \frac{660 + 0.075 \times 111}{1.075}$
$h = -.0690$	$\eta = + 0.01$	$i = \frac{\delta'_i + \eta \delta_f}{1 + \eta} = \frac{112 + 0.01 \times 690}{1 + 0.01}$
$h_1 = .6853$	$C_v = \frac{0.567}{27.5} d_{80}^2$	$= 690$
$h_{av} = \frac{1.4396}{2}$	$= 0.0206 d_{80}^2$	$= \frac{112 + 0.01 \times 690}{1 + 0.01}$
$= .7198$	$= 0.0024 \text{ in}^2/\text{Mnt}$	$= 1108$
$d_{av} = .3599$	$h_o = .7543$	
$d_{av} = .1295$	$h_{80} = -.0725$	
	$h_{80} = .6818$	$d_{80}^2 = .1162$

FIG. 7.1

SETTLEMENT DIAL GAUGE READING

AGAINST ROOT TIME MINUTE OF

ILL - SAT - CASA $P = 0.8 \text{ kg/cm}^2$

REF: DETERMINATION OF C_v BY NAYLOR -
DORAN (1948) METHOD

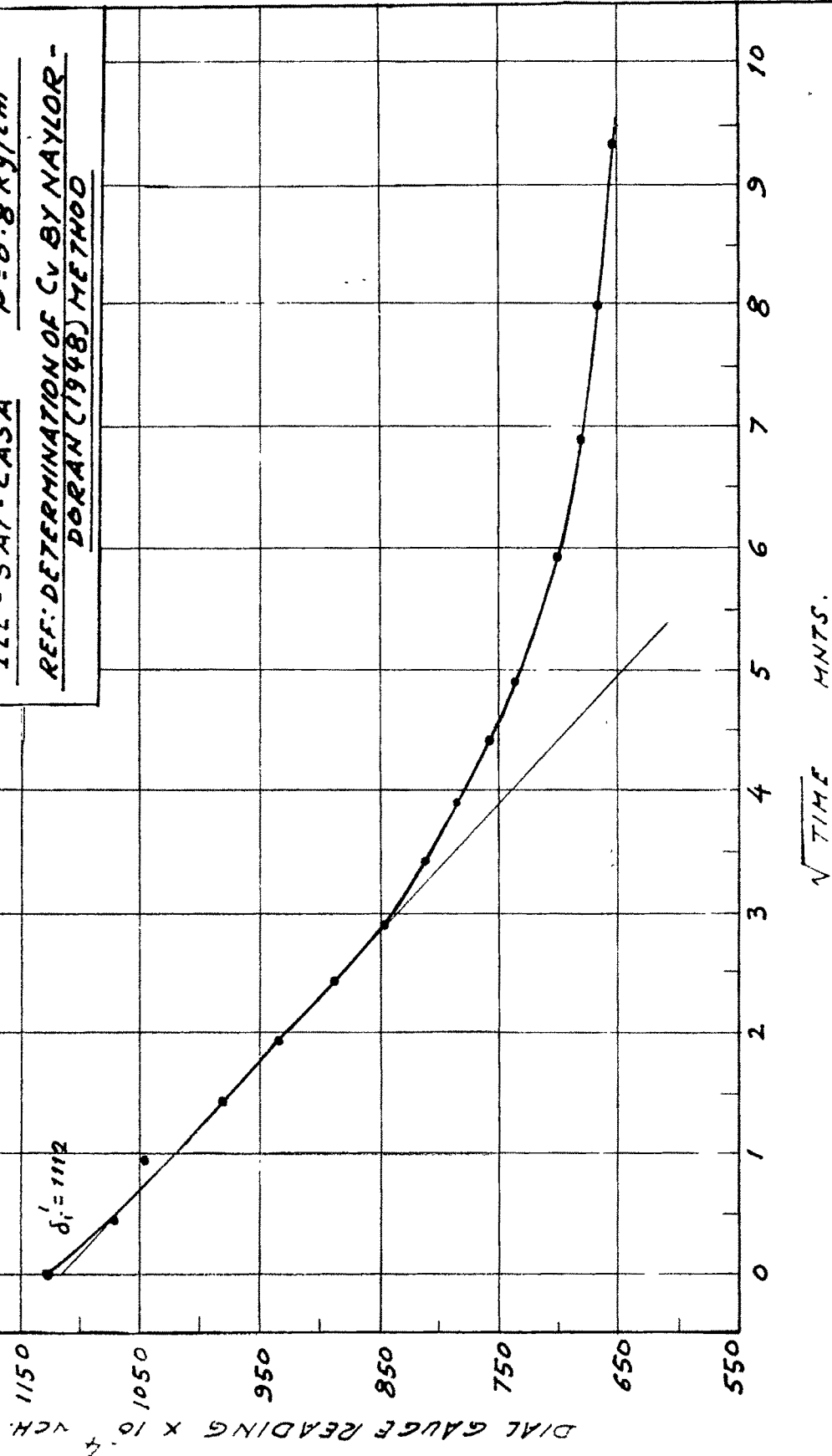


FIG. 7 - 2

SETTLEMENT DIAL GAUGE READING

AGAINST TIME FACTOR - MNT. OF ILL-SAT-CASA

APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.8 kg/cm^2

REF: DETERMINATION OF C_v BY NAYLOR-

DORAN (1948) METHOD

1100

1000

PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION (%)

DIAL GAUGE READING $\times 10^{-4}$ INCH.

1000

900

800

700

600

500

400

300

200

100

0

100

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1100

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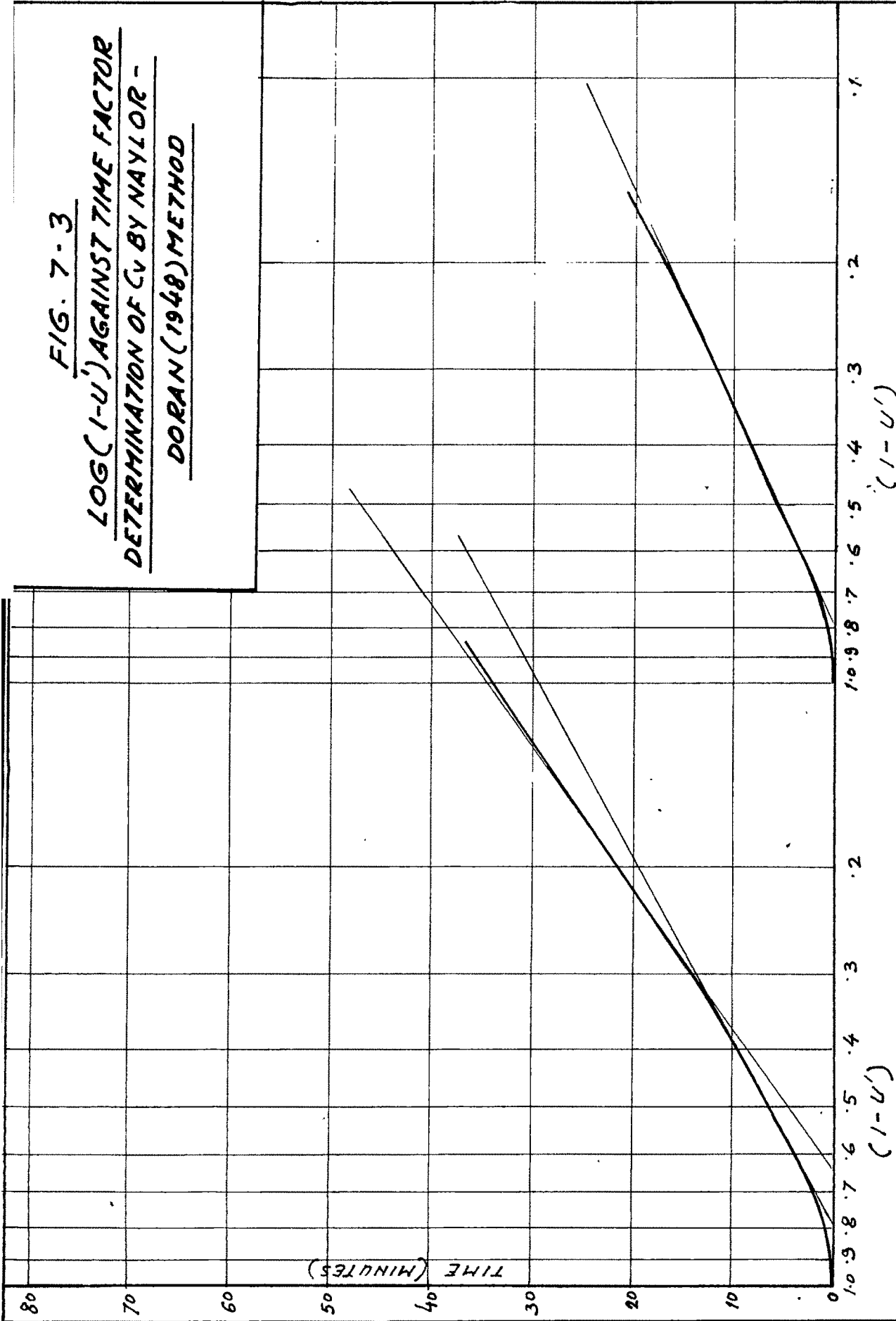
26200

26300

26400

FIG. 7-3

LOG(1-U') AGAINST TIME FACTOR -
DETERMINATION OF C_v BY NAYLOR -
DORAN (1948) METHOD



(a)

(b)

(Fig. 7.4) and draw diagonals between these points whose intersection determines the value ϵ on the abscissa of the chart. In this example value of $\epsilon = -0.075$. Find the correct value of the final reading by the formula :

$$\delta_f = \frac{\delta_f' - \epsilon \delta_i'}{1 - \epsilon} \quad \text{In this case } \delta_f = 690$$

(iv) Now replot $\log (1 - U')$ using the correct value, δ_f against time as shown in Fig. 7.3. Extend the straight portion backwards to read off the intercept on $(1 - U')$ axis. In this example the value is 0.81. Using this value of intercept determine the value of η from the chart (Fig. 7.5). In this particular example, $\eta = +0.01$. Find the correct value of the initial reading by the formula :

$$\delta_i = \frac{\delta_i + \eta \delta_f}{1 + \eta}$$

Here in the example δ_i works out to be 1108.

(v) Measure the time for 80% consolidation from log time curve (Fig. 7.2). In this example, $t_{80} = 27.5$ minutes.

(vi) Determine the coefficient of consolidation c_v by the following relation :

$$c_v = \frac{T_{80} d_{80}^2}{t_{80}}$$

where T_{80} is the theoretical time factor. In this example, T_{80} for Terzaghi theory ($P = 0$) is 0.567 and $d_{80} = .3404$ inch. Thus, c_v for fitting with Terzaghi theory is $.0024 \text{ in}^2/\text{Mt}$.

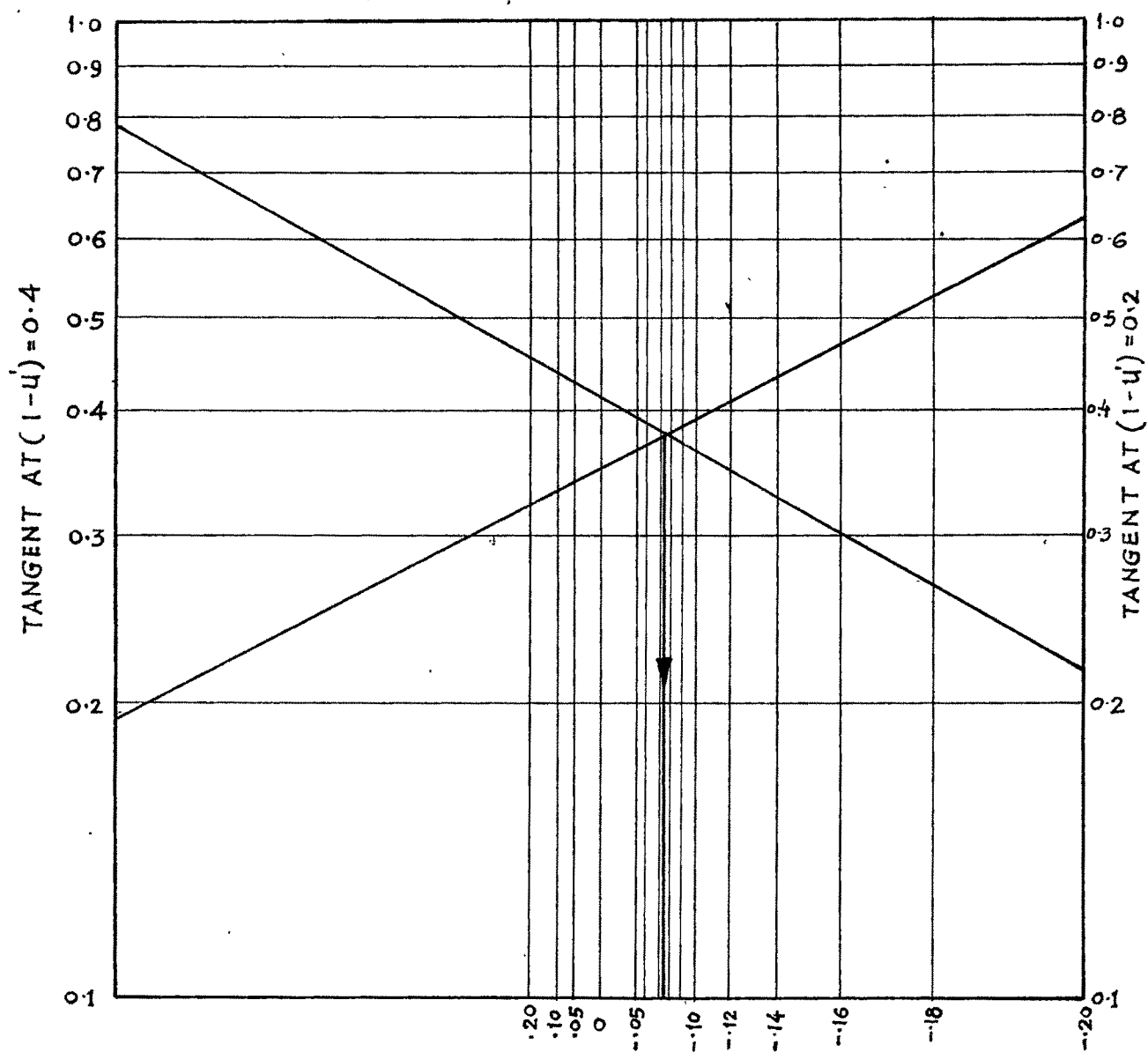


FIG. 7-4 CHART OF DETERMINATION OF ϵ

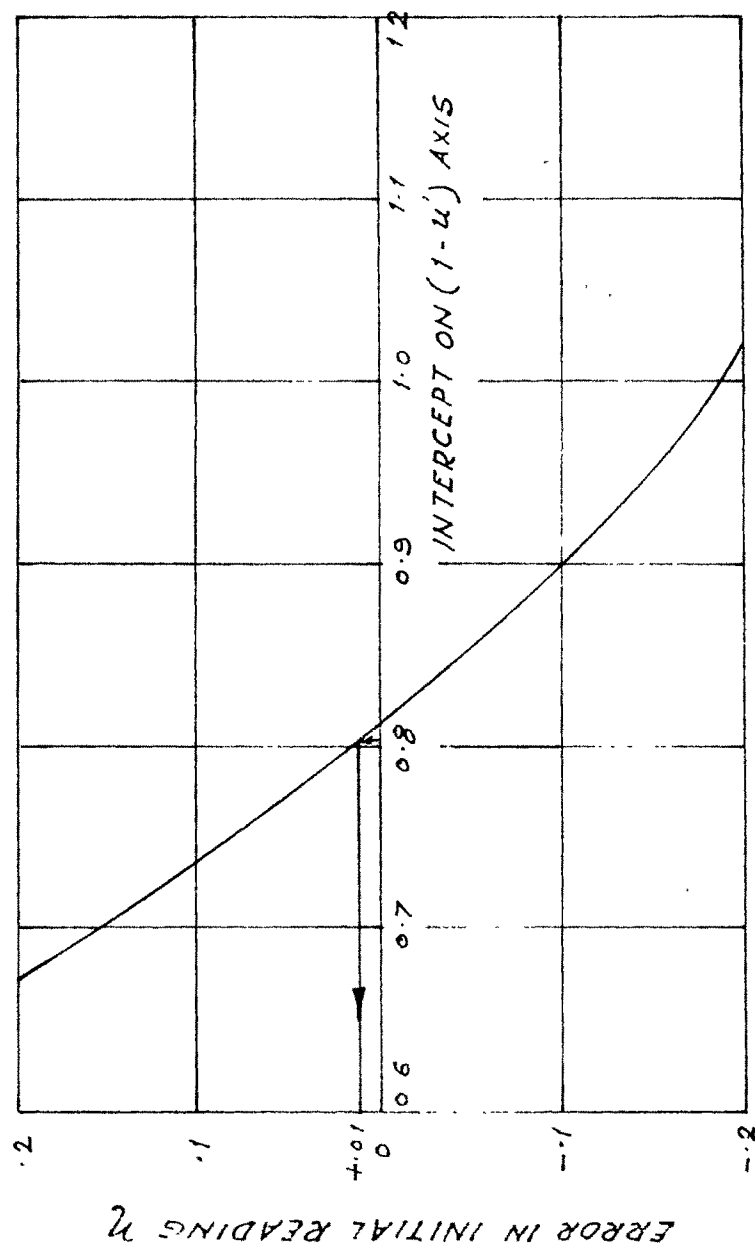


FIG. 7.5 CHART OF DETERMINATION OF η

Similarly, C_v is determined for other values of P .

7.2.2. Compression Index

The classical definition of the compression index, C_c , is the slope of the straight line portion of a virgin compression curve. In the present work the definition is same except that the slope has been worked out at various intervals of pressure and void ratio taking the portion under consideration as straight line. Example illustrated by the Table 7.4 presents the method of determination. Fig. 7.6 represents the void ratio-effective stress plot for the sample illustrated.

7.2.3. Degree of Secondary Compression

In order to measure the influence of various physico-chemical factors which cause a time lag other than the hydrodynamic lag, a parameter giving the percentage of secondary compression in a total consolidation designated as degree of secondary compression is used. The value of this parameter, is determined by separating the value of secondary compression as per Naylor-Doran method (1948). The evaluation of this parameter is illustrated by an example given in Table 7.5. Fig. 7.7 represents the dial gauge reading versus log time plot for the sample used in the example.

7.2.4. Parameter 'P'

'P' is a lumped parameter which accounts for the physico-chemical and mechanical factors in terms of deformability.

Table 7.4. Determination of Compression Index

Load Intensity kg/cm^2	\bar{P} = Average Load Intensity	$\text{Log}\left(\frac{P_2}{P_1}\right) = A$	Δe	$C_c = \frac{\Delta e}{A}$
0.1	0.15	0.301	1.02	3.39
0.2	0.3		1.75	5.82
0.4	0.6		1.9	6.315
0.8	1.2		1.2	3.99
1.6	2.4		0.9	2.99
3.2	4.8		1.0	3.32
6.4				

Table 7.5. Determination of Percentage Secondary Compression

Load Intensity Kg/cm ²	Ah	δ_i	δ_f	$\Delta h' =$ $\delta_i - \delta_f$	$\lambda = \frac{\Delta h'}{\Delta h} \times 100$ (Percentage primary consolidation)	(100- λ) Percentage secondary compression
0.2	1094	2310	1252	1058	65.0	35.0
0.8	1248	2193	1208	885	74.4	25.6
1.6	911	1558	665	893	81.0	19.0
3.2	883	1567	840	727	82.8	17.2
6.4	670	1284	672	612	90.2	9.8

FIG. 7-6

VOID RATIO AGAINST LOG EFFECTIVE
PRESSURE - kg/cm^2 OF BENT-SAT-CASA

REF: DETERMINATION OF COMPRESSION INDEX

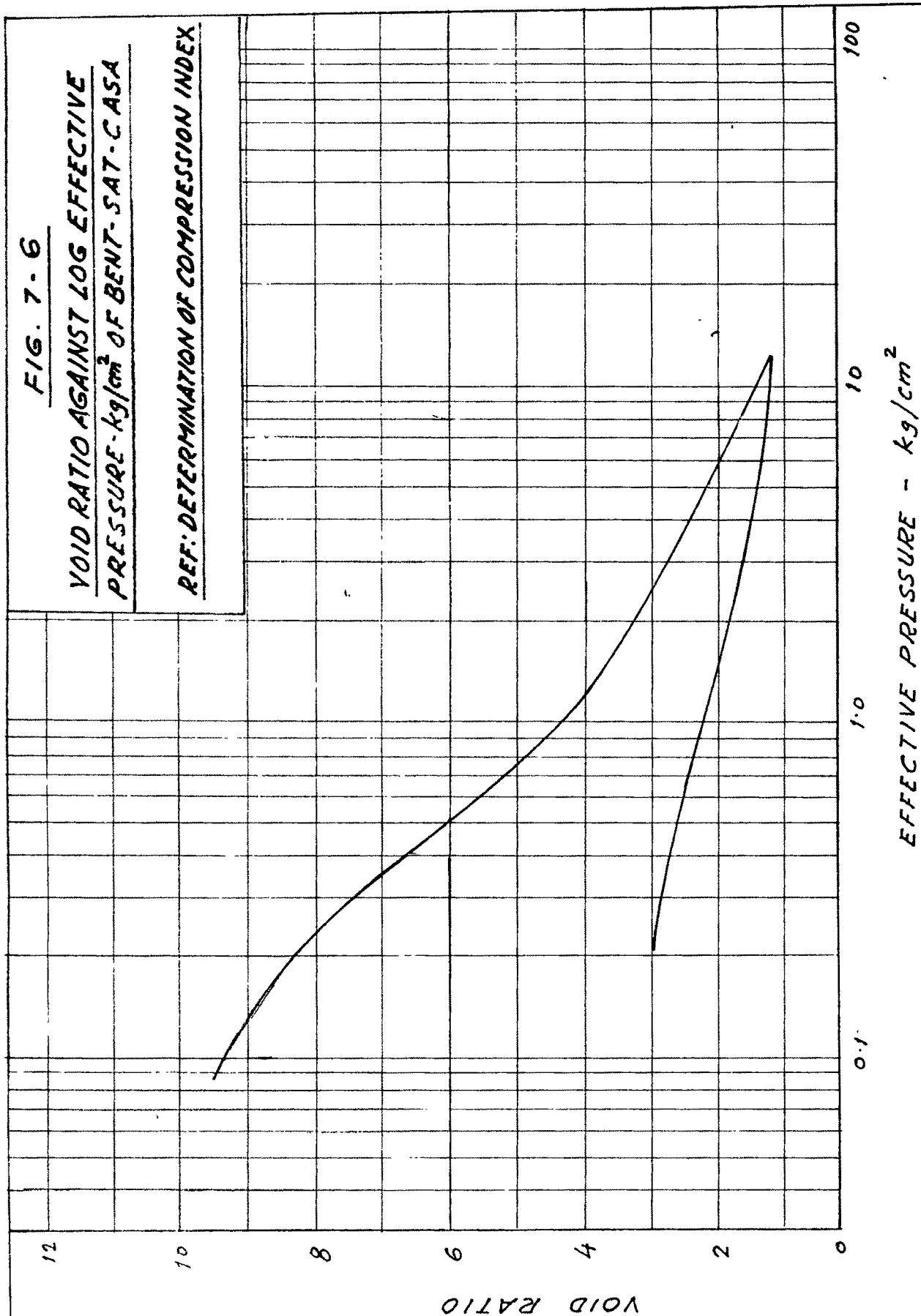


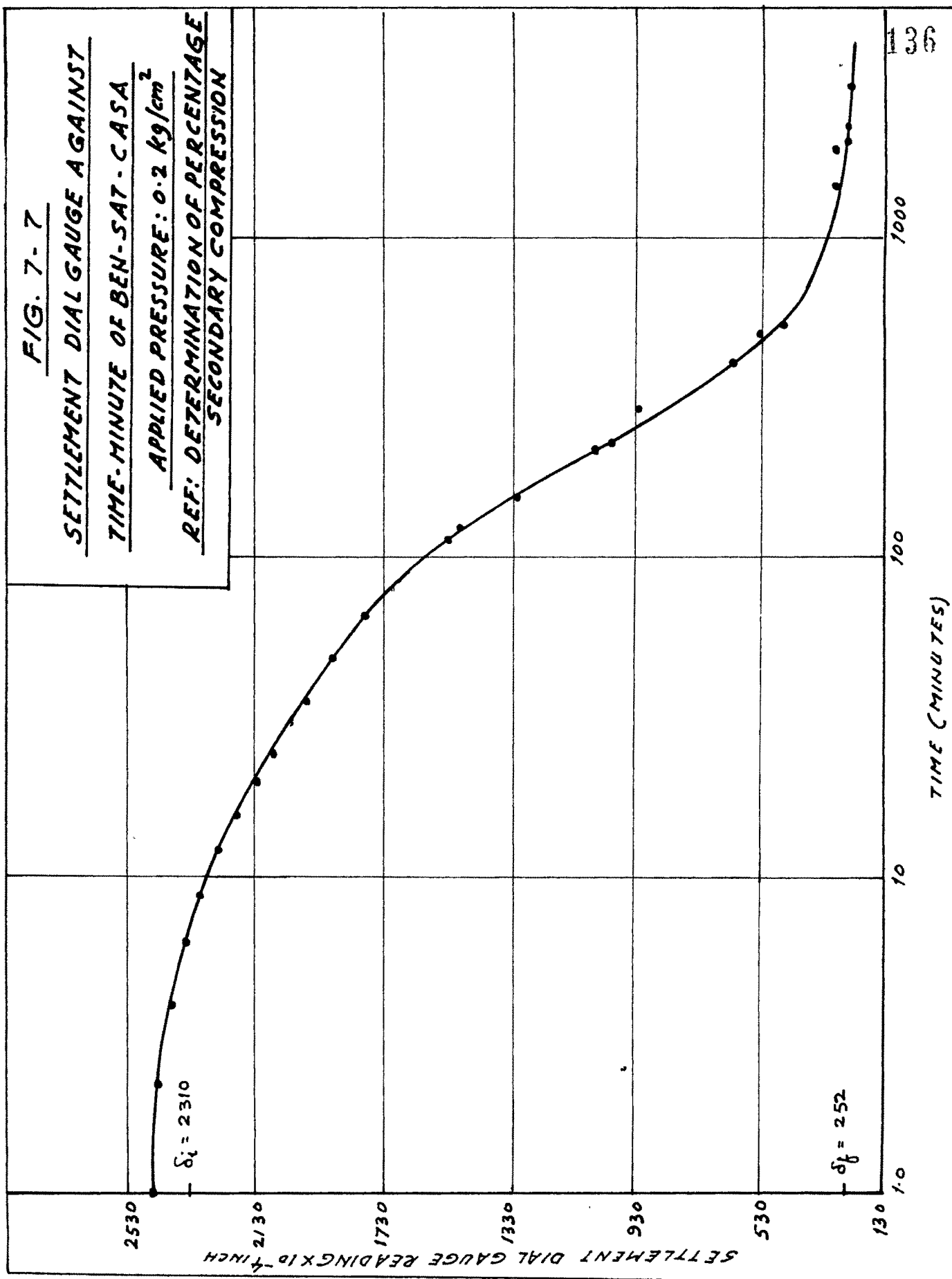
FIG. 7-7

SETTLEMENT DIAL GAUGE AGAINST

TIME-MINUTE OF BEN-SAT-CASA

APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.2 kg/cm²

REF: DETERMINATION OF PERCENTAGE
SECONDARY COMPRESSION



$P = 0$ represents a Terzaghi classical case which ignores the influence of the characteristics of constituents of soil material. The object behind introducing this parameter is to evaluate the influence of the various factors on the consolidation characteristics of soil. In the present work, parameter ' P ' has been regarded as a constant and is determined by comparing experimental curve with the theoretical curve.

7.2.5. Tangent Modulus, Secant Modulus and Hysteresis Modulus

Tangent modulus(E_t) is an initial slope of e v/s $\log p$ curve determined by drawing a tangent to the convex portion of the curve. Secant modulus is the average slope of e v/s $\log p$ curve at any point. Hysteresis modulus is a mean slope of the loop. Fig. 7.8 illustrates the meanings of the above terms.

7.3. Analysis and Discussion

7.3.1. Clay Mineral

Refer Figures 7.9 to 7.30 which are derived from the parent plots of Figures H - 1 to H - 49 reported in Appendix H of Vol. II

Analysis :

- (i) Co-efficient of consolidation against percentage degree of consolidation. (Figures 7.9 to 7.13).

In case of kaolinite and illite unlike Bentonite the value almost remains constant throughout the process of consolidation. The general characteristics of Bentonite is similar for all loads but show constancy at higher loads. Upto 40% consolidation a slow increase is seen after which it decreases which is observed to be rapid at lighter loads.

- (ii) Co-efficient of consolidation against applied effective pressure. (Figures 7.14 to 7.16).

The general characteristics of non-expanding mineral kaolinite and illite are similar while the expanding mineral

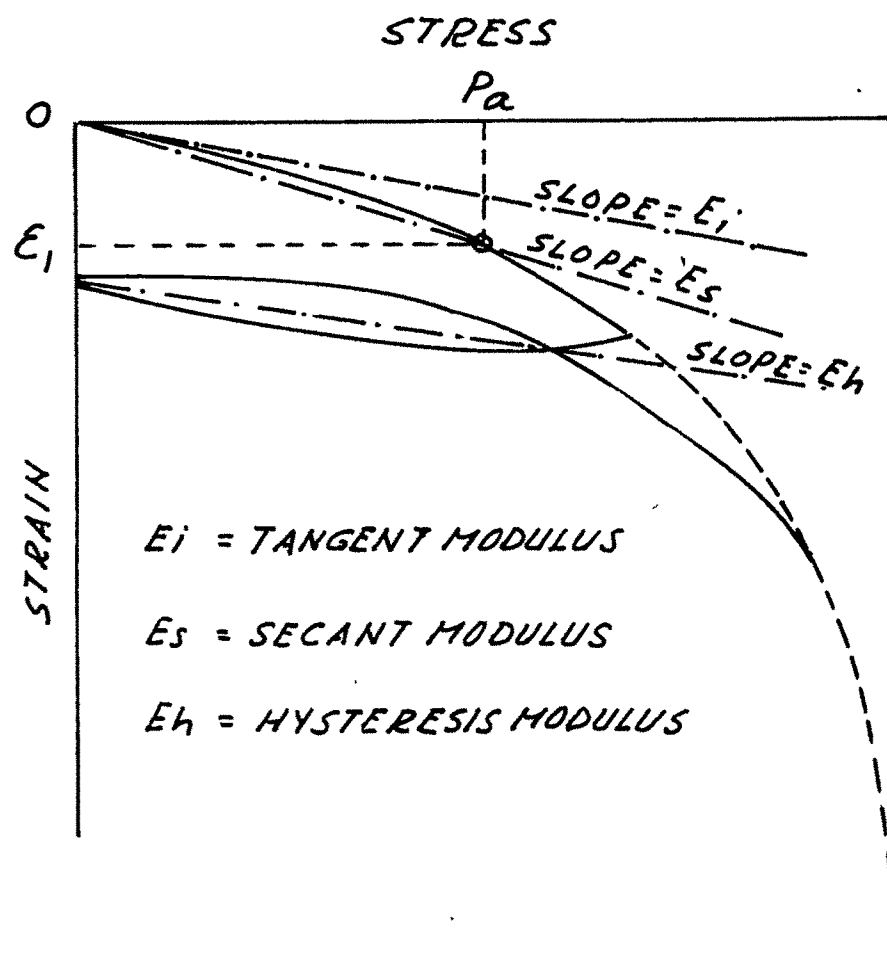


FIG. 7-8 INITIAL TANGENT MODULUS,
SECANT MODULUS AND HYSTERESIS MODULUS
IN STRESS-STRAIN DIAGRAM FOR CLAY

FIG. 7-9

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION

REF: INFLUENCE OF CLAY MINERAL TYPE

0.0030

0.0025

0.0020

0.0015

0.0010

0.0005

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) $\times 10^{-4}$ HRT

KAL-SAT-CASA

● 0.2 kg/cm²

▲ 1.6 kg/cm²

■ 6.4 kg/cm²

PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION (U)

PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION (U)

FIG. 7-10

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION
REF: INFLUENCE OF CLAY MINERAL TYPE

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN²/HRT.

ILL-SAT- ROWE
 ▲ 0.4 kg/cm²
 KAL-SAT- ROWE
 ● 0.8 kg/cm²

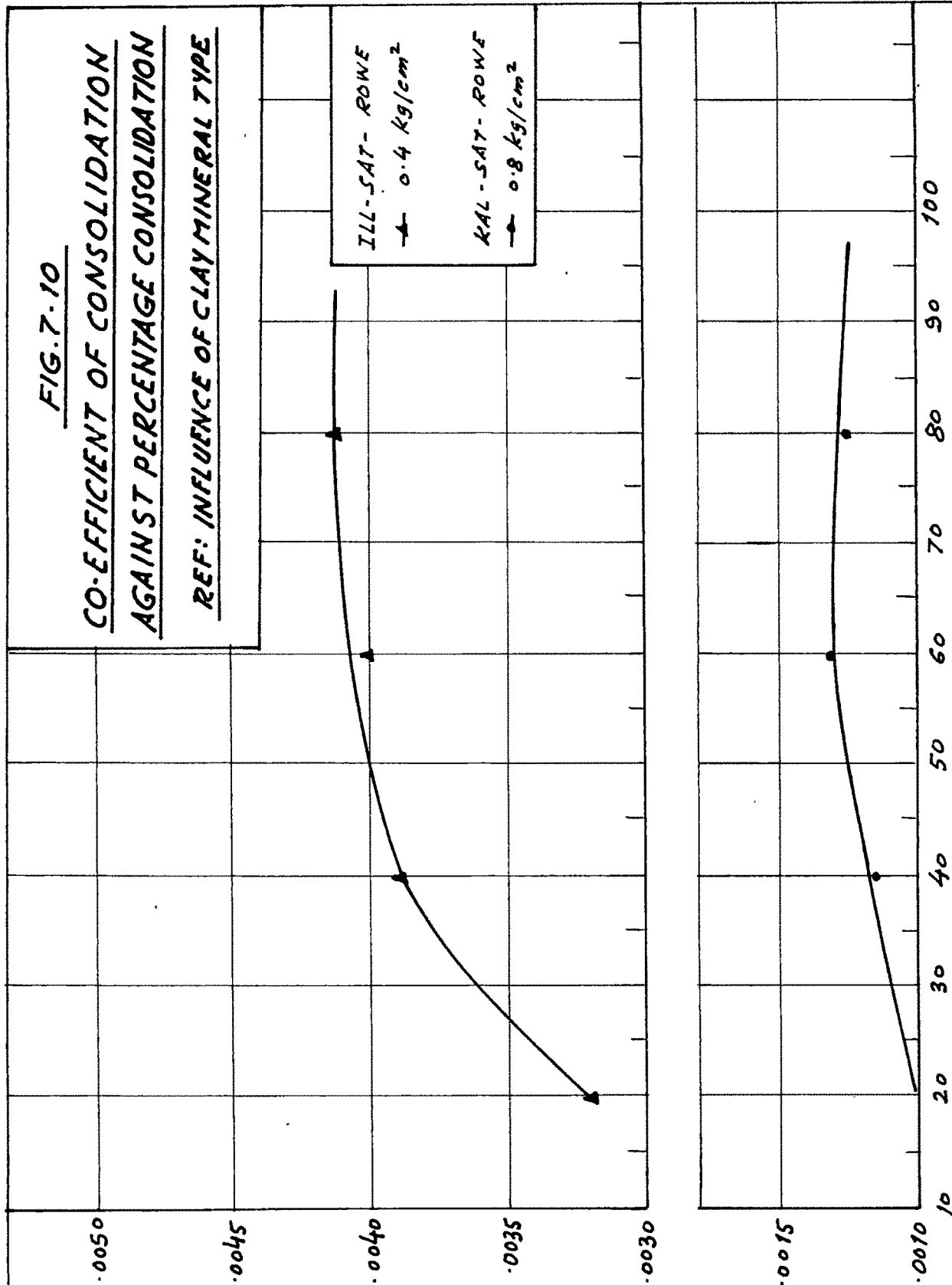


FIG. 7.11

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION

REF: INFLUENCE OF CLAY MINERAL TYPE

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN 2 /MIN.

ILL-SAT - CASSA

1.6 kg/cm²

6.4 kg/cm²

PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION (U)

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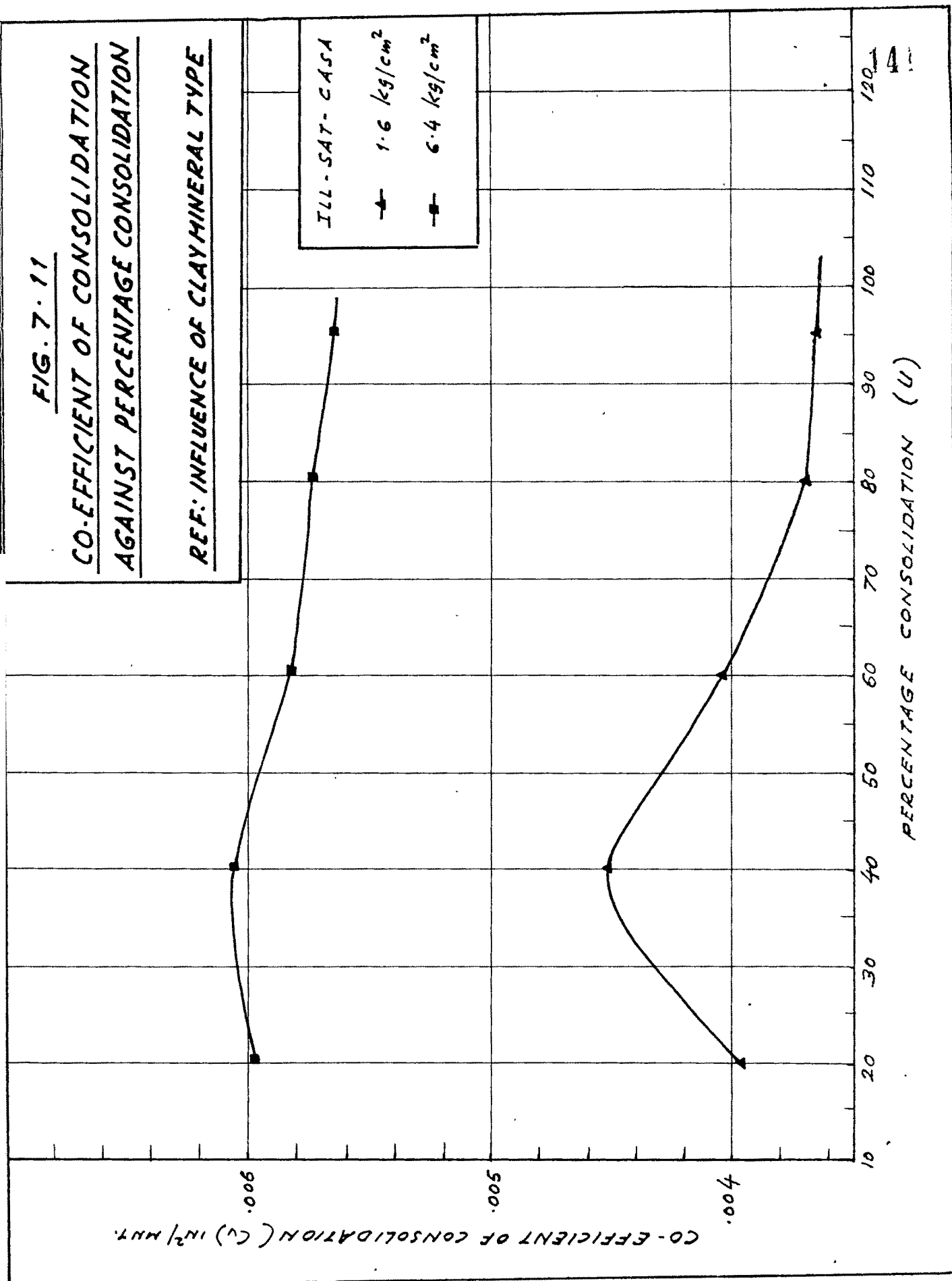


FIG. 7-12

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION

REF.: INFLUENCE OF CLAY MINERAL TYPE

BENT-SAT-CASA

—■— 0.2 kg/cm²

—●— 6.4 kg/cm²

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN.²/HR.

50 x 10⁻⁵

40 x 10⁻⁵

30 x 10⁻⁵

20 x 10⁻⁵

PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION (U)

10

20

30

40

50

60

70

80

90

100

110

120

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN.²/HR.

50 x 10⁻⁵

40 x 10⁻⁵

30 x 10⁻⁵

20 x 10⁻⁵

PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION (U)

10

20

30

40

50

60

70

80

90

100

110

120

FIG. 7-13

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION

REF: INFLUENCE OF CLAY MINERAL TYPE

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN²/HRT.

BENT-SAT-POWE

● 0.2 kg/cm²

▲ 1.6 kg/cm²

PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION (U)

PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION (U)

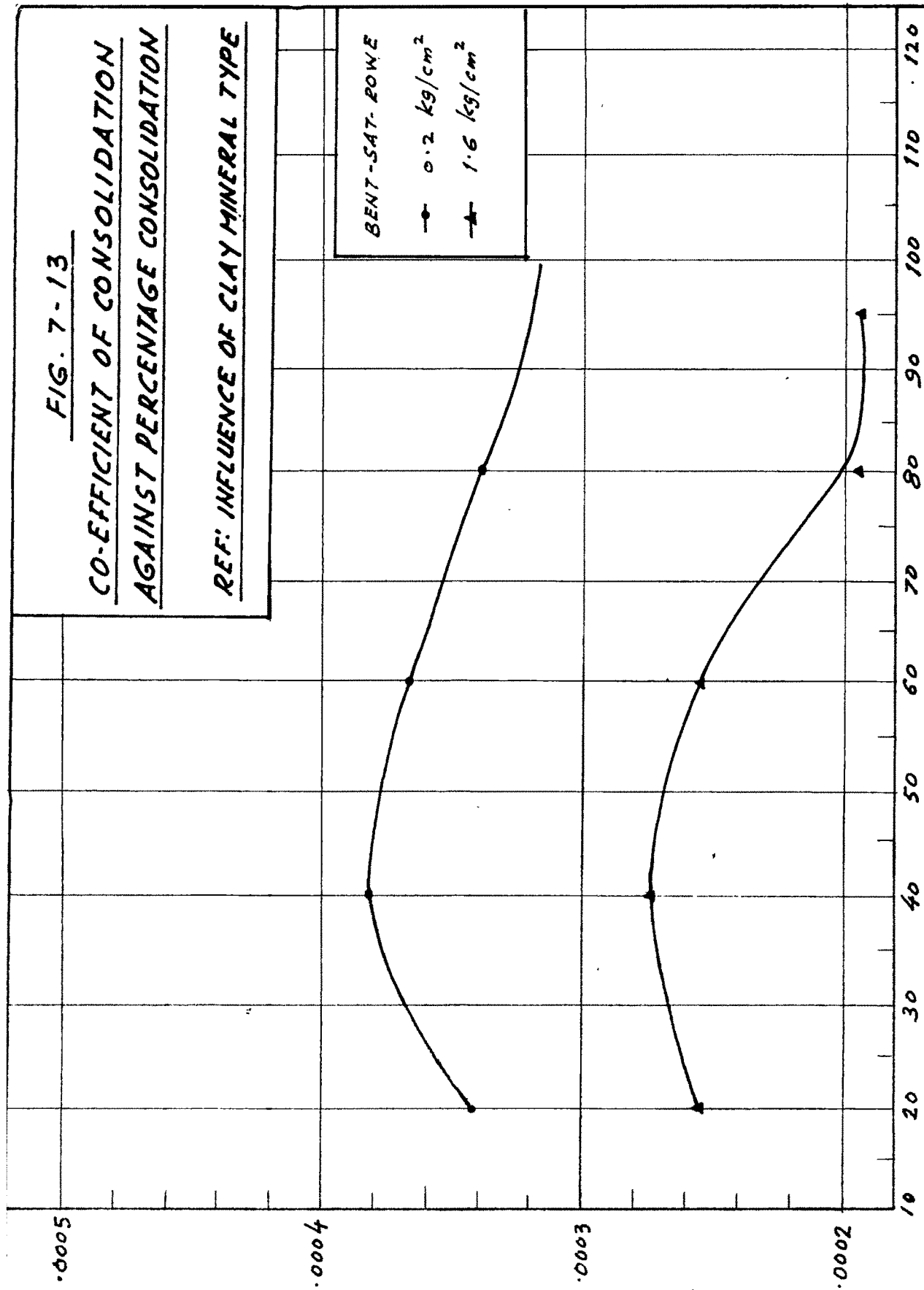


FIG. 7-14

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE

REF: INFLUENCE OF CLAY MINERAL TYPE

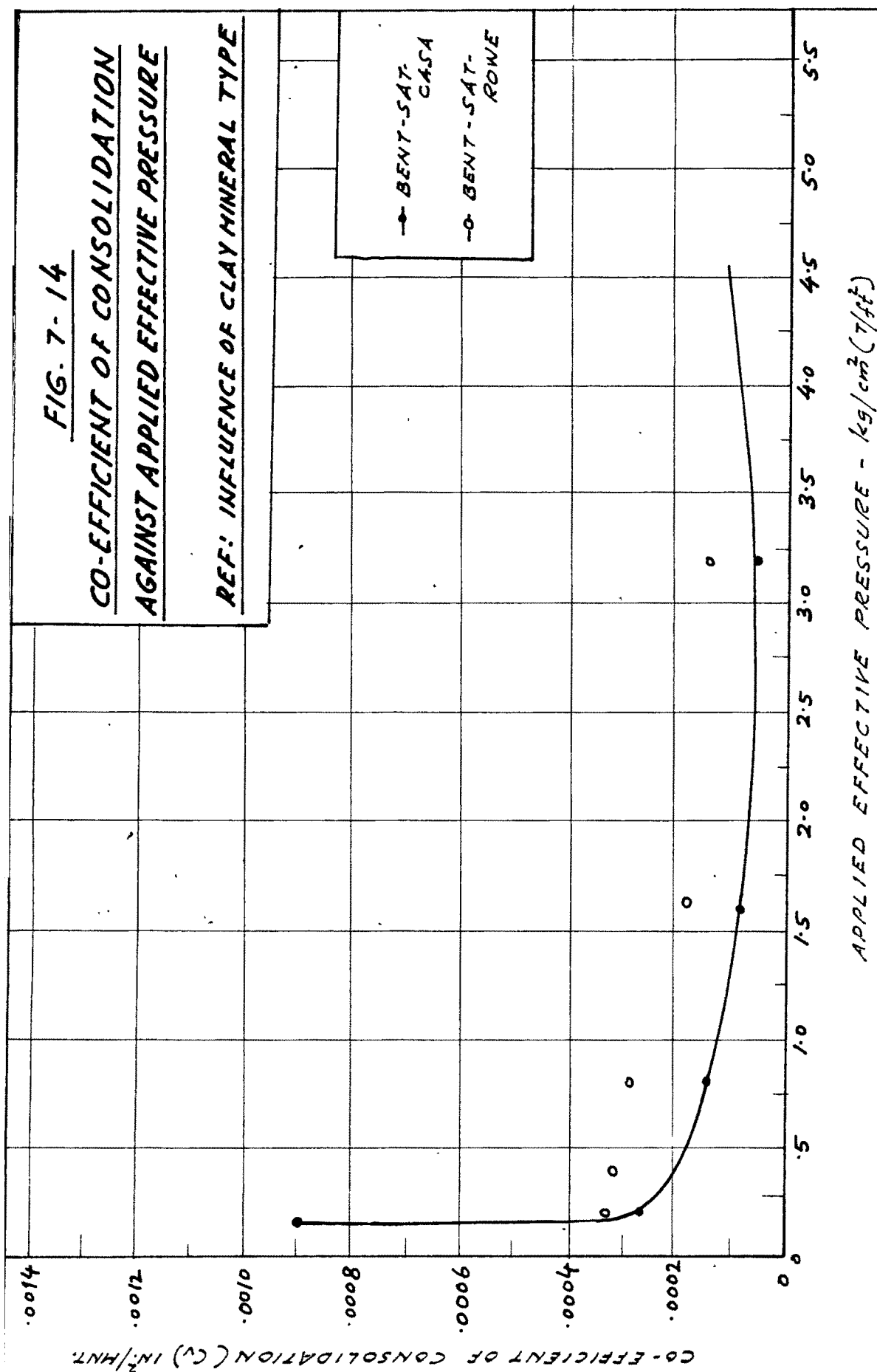


FIG. 7-15

**CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE**

REF: INFLUENCE OF CLAY MINERAL TYPE

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN ²/MIN.

APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm² (T/ft²)

▲ ILL-SAT. CASA
△ ILL-SAT. ROWE

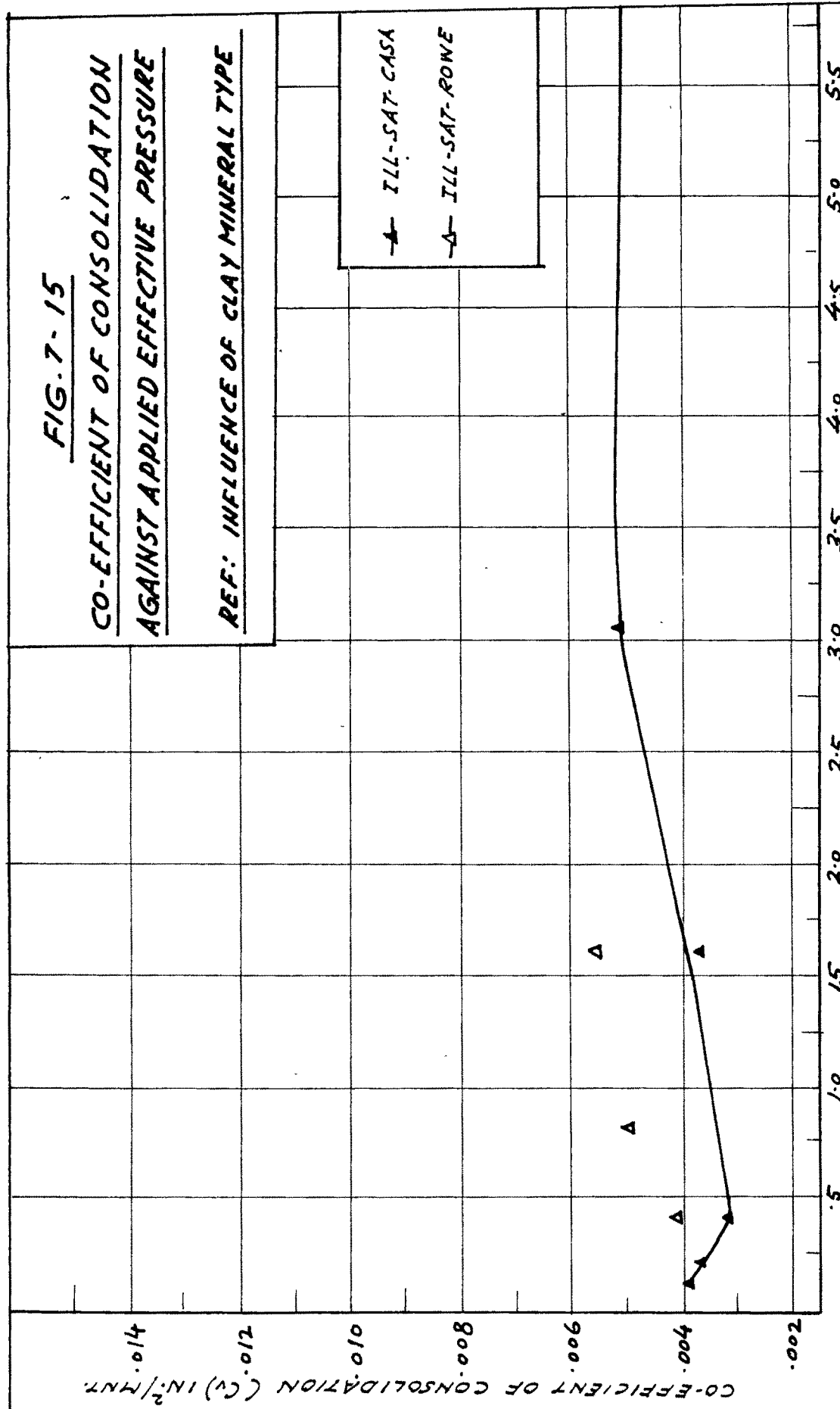


FIG. 7-16

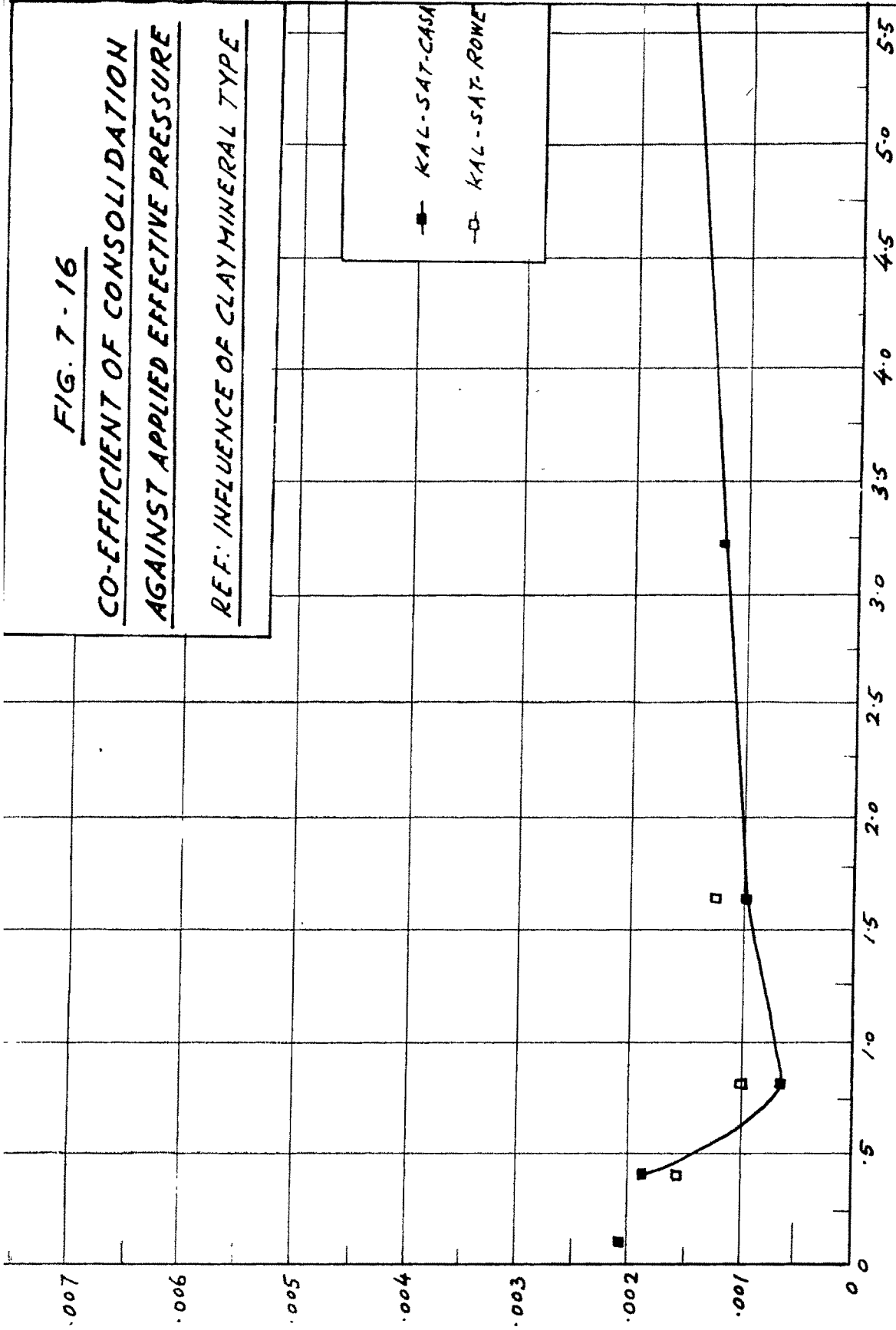
CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE

REF. INFLUENCE OF CLAY MINERAL TYPE

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN²/MINT

APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm^2 (T/ft^2)

■ KAL-SAT-CASA
□ KAL-SAT-ROWE



montmorillonite indicates different characteristics. The non-expanding group shows decrease in C_v value at lighter loads but with higher loads it tends to increase approximately to a constant value around a pressure value beyond about 6 kg/cm^2 . On the other hand expanding group exhibits a rapid decrease in value at lighter loads which is approaching a constant value without showing increase even at higher load. The value of C_v is seen to decrease in order of kaolinite, illite and montmorillonite at all loads.

(iii) Compression index against applied average effective pressure. (Fig. 717).

It is evident both from the parent void ratio - effective pressure plots and also from compression index - effective pressure plots that there is a marked distinction between the characteristics of montmorillonitic clay and illitic clay and also with kaolinitic clay. The Bentonite clay shows a characteristic hump which is more or less absent in other two types of clays. In montmorillonite there is a large reduction in volume at low applied pressures and further application of pressure causes relatively small reductions in volume. For the kaolinite and illite, the amount of compression not only is less but there is relatively small decrease in volume with increasing pressures. It can be noted that Bentonite has much higher value of initial void ratio and indicates also higher compression index compared to illite and kaolinite.

FIG. 7-17

COMPRESSION INDEX AGAINST AVERAGE

APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE

REF: INFLUENCE OF CLAY MINERAL TYPE

COMPRESSION INDEX (C_c)

AVERAGE APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm^2

- * BENT-SAT-CASA
- KAL-SAT-CASA
- ILL-SAT-CASA
- △ BENT-SAT-ROWE
- ILL-SAT-ROWE
- KAL-SAT-ROWE

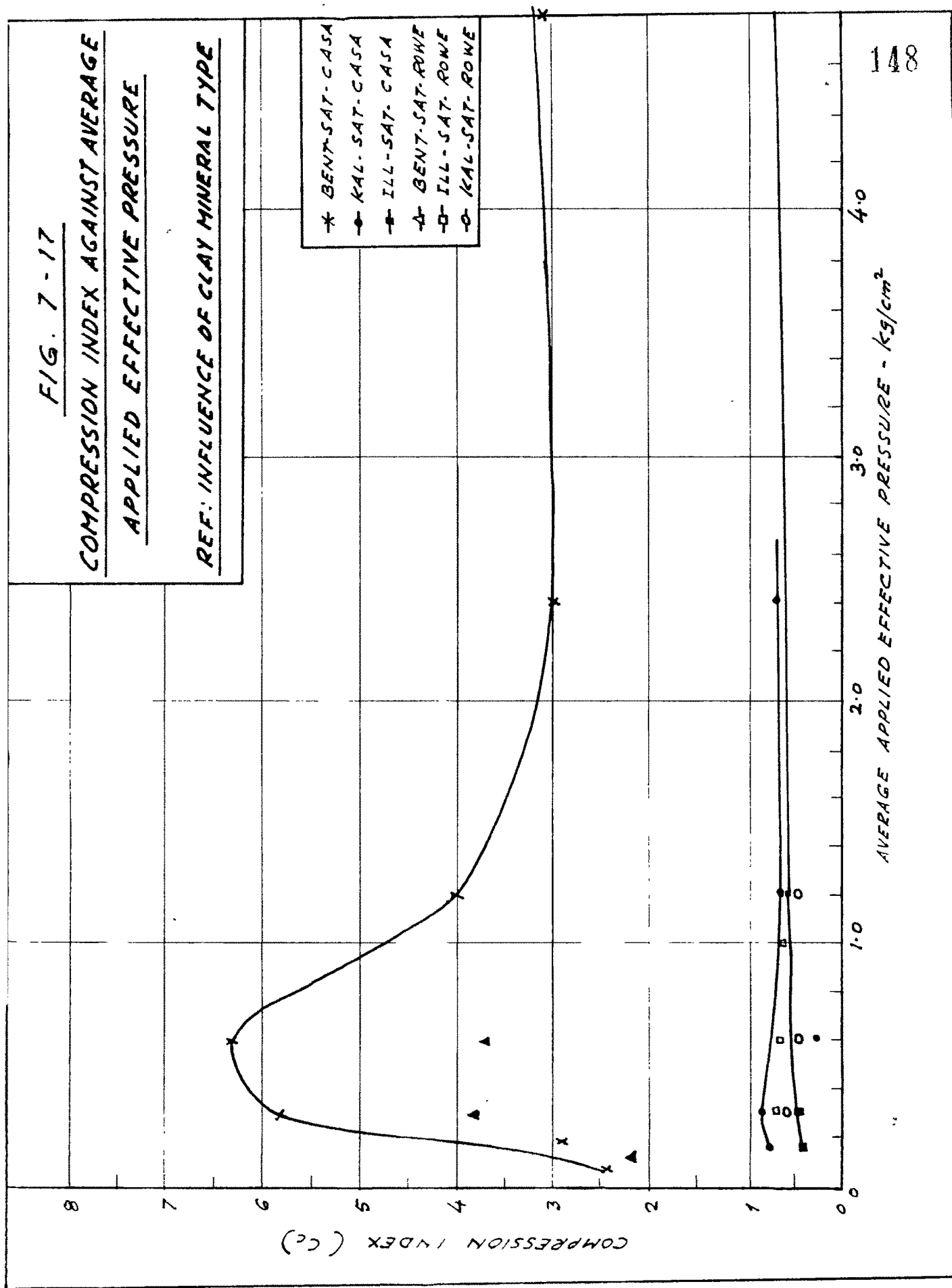
4.0

3.0

2.0

1.0

148



- (iv) Degree of secondary compression against effective applied pressure. (Fig. 7.18)

The degree of secondary compression decreases rapidly at low pressures, slowly becoming insignificant at high loads. Bentonite reveals higher degree of secondary compression compared to the other two types.

- (v) Parameter P against applied effective pressure (Figure 7.19 and Fig. 7.20 to Fig. 7.30).

From comparison with theoretical values with experimental observations it is clear that while kaolinite and illite fit closer to the Terzaghi curve montmorillonite deviates the most. Montmorillonite and illite values fall below Terzaghi with a deviation of about 5% and 3% respectively. Kaolinite shows 1.5% deviation at light loads and at higher loads it tends to fit with the classical theory. The experimental plots are also derived from mid plane pore pressure readings which agree well with the theory.

Discussion :

The most striking observation is that the consolidation characteristics of montmorillonite are markedly distinct from that of the other two minerals illite and kaolinite. The behaviour can be explained from basic differences in the nature of their lattice structure and prevalent intermolecular forces during the interaction in clay water system. The principal feature of montmorillonite mineral is that it has an expanding lattice structure, clay flocs are of highly dispersive nature,

FIG. 7 - 18

PERCENTAGE SECONDARY COMPRESSION

AGAINST EFFECTIVE APPLIED PRESSURE

REF: INFLUENCE OF CLAY MINERAL TYPE

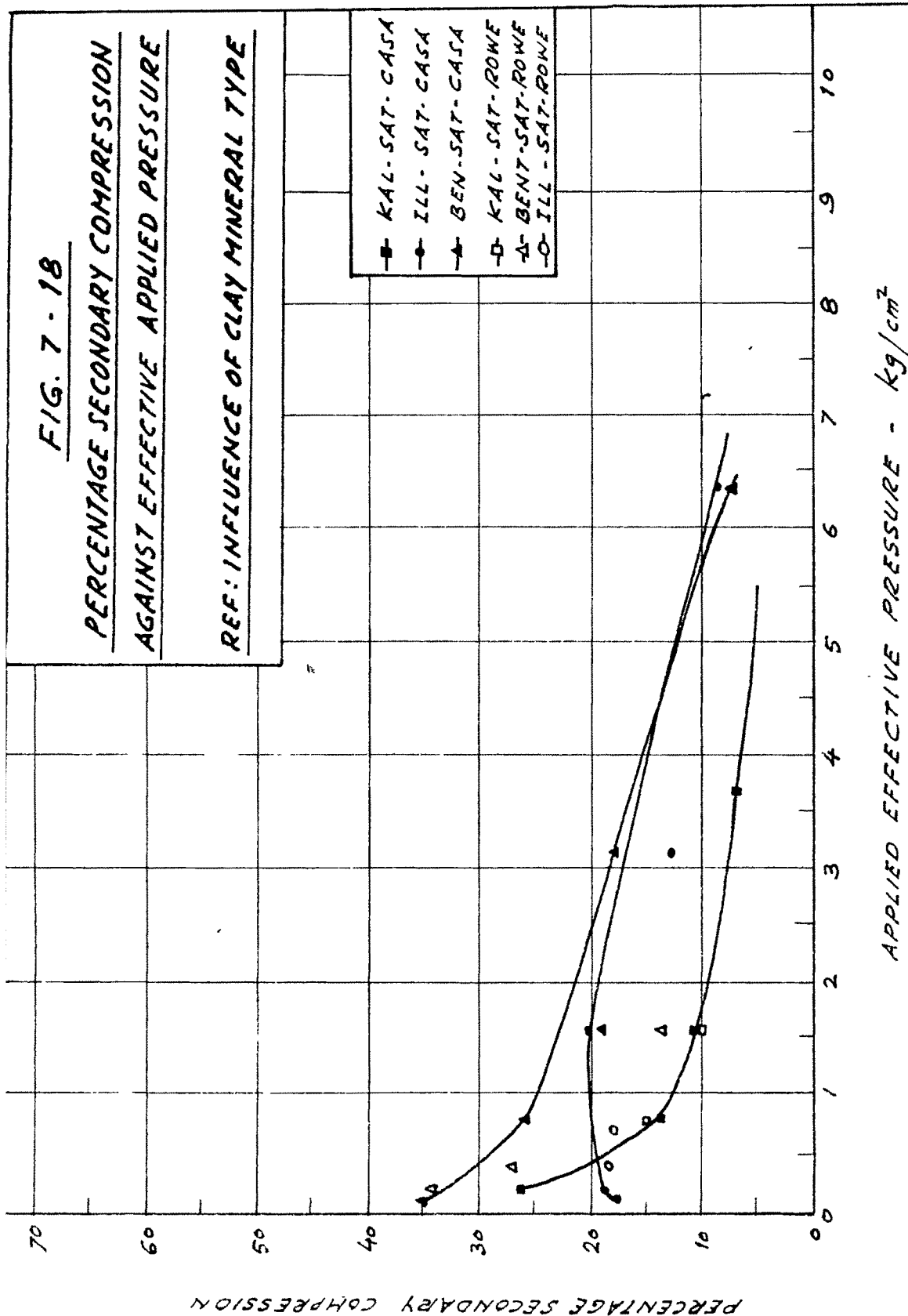


FIG. 7-19

**PARAMETER 'P' AGAINST
APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE**

REF: INFLUENCE OF CLAY MINERAL TYPE

- KAL-SAT-CASA
- BENT-SAT-CASA
- ▲— ILL-SAT-CASA
- KAL-SAT-ROWE
- △— BENT-SAT-ROWE
- ILL-SAT-ROWE

PARAMETER 'P'

+0.7

+0.6

+0.5

+0.4

+0.3

+0.2

+0.1

P=0

-0.1

-0.2

-0.3

-0.4

-0.5

-0.6

APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm^2

0.8 1.6 2.4 3.2 4.0 4.8 5.6 6.4 7.2 8.0 8.8

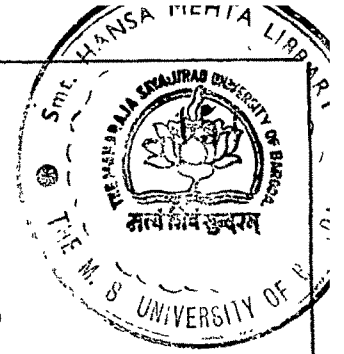


FIG. 7.20

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.2 kg/cm^2

REF: INFLUENCE OF CLAY MINERAL TYPE

--- KAL-SAT-CASA
- - - ILL-SAT-CASA
- . . . BENT-SAT-CASA
— TERZAGHI THEORY
 $p = 0$
PROPOSED THEORY
● $p = -.1$
▲ $p = -.2$
■ $p = -.4$

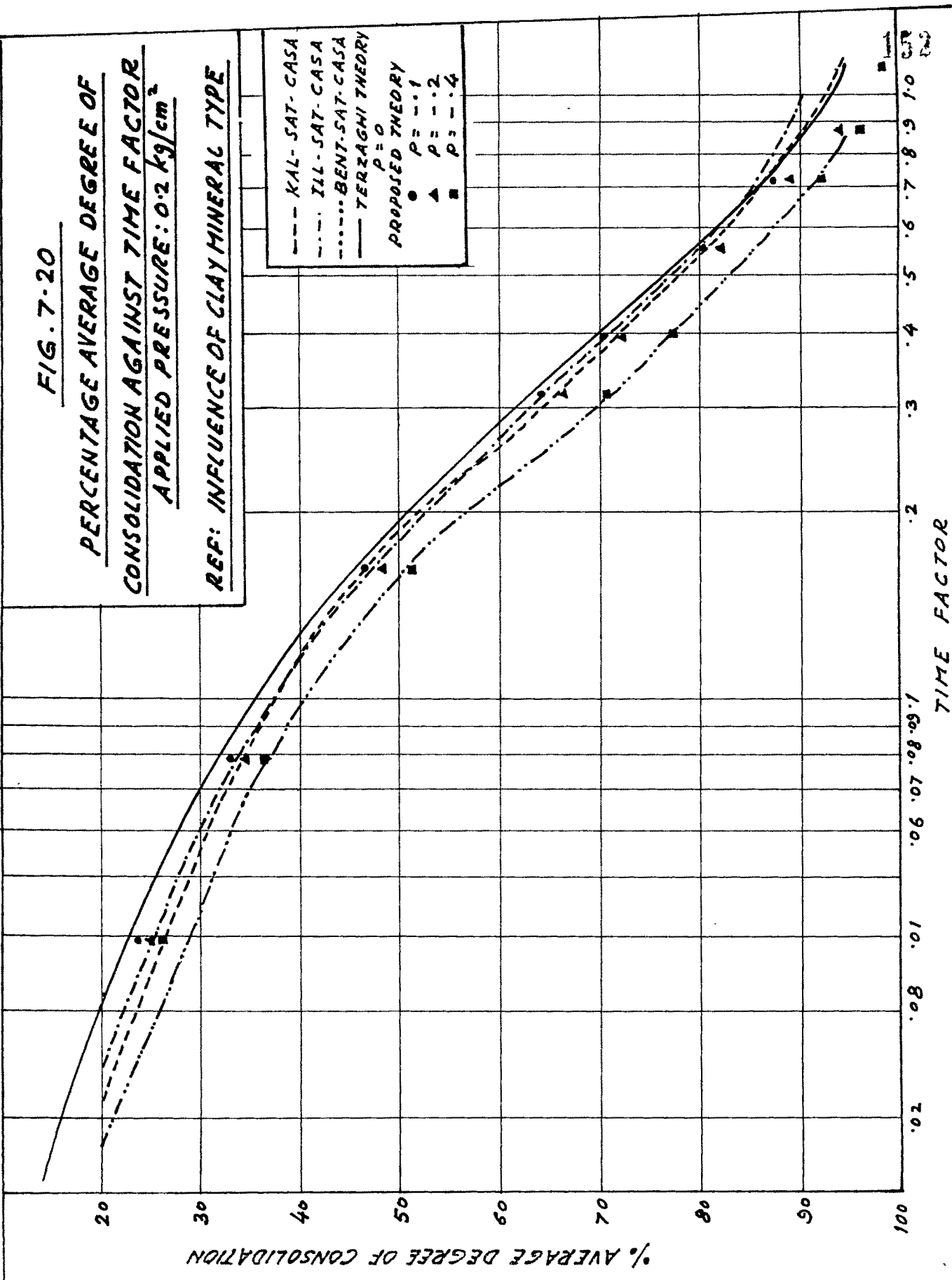


FIG. 7-21

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.8 kg/cm^2

REF: INFLUENCE OF CLAY MINERAL TYPE

--- KAL-SAT-CASA
- - - - BENT-SAT-CASA
— TERZAGHI
PROPOSED THEORY
● $p = 0$
▲ $p = -0.04$
▲ $p = -0.3$

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR →

0.2

0.3

0.4

0.5

0.6

0.7

0.8

1.0

2.0

3.0

4.0

5.0

6.0

7.0

8.0

10.0

15.0

FIG. 7-22

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 1.6 kg/cm^2

REF: INFLUENCE OF CLAY MINERAL TYPE

--- KAL-SAT-CASA
--- ILL-SAT-CASA
--- BENT-SAT-CASA
--- TERZAGHI THEORY
P = 0
PROPOSED THEORY
● P = +0.05
▲ P = -0.2
■ P = -0.38

% AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR

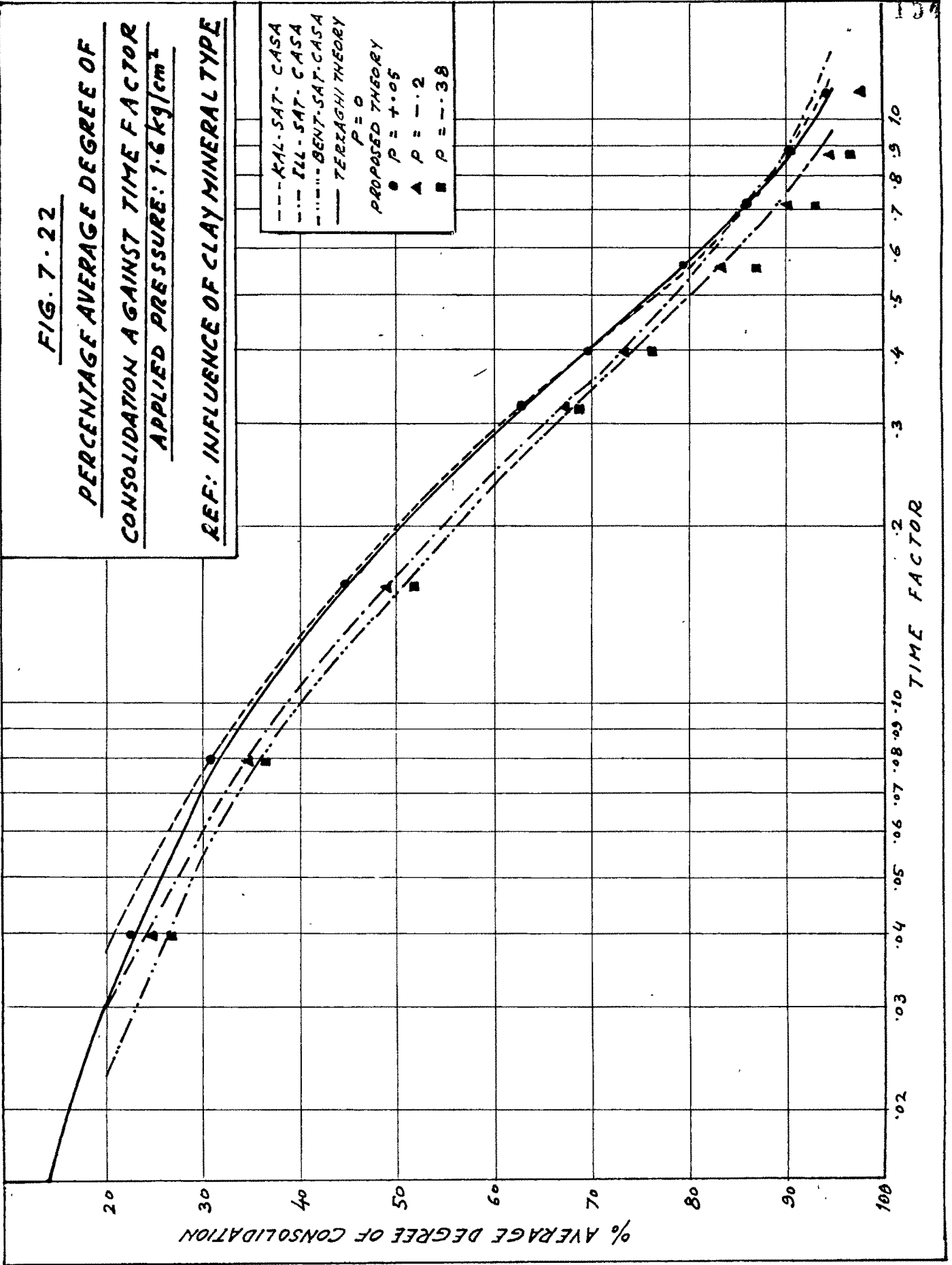


FIG. 7-23

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 3.2 kg/cm^2

REF: INFLUENCE OF CLAY MINERAL TYPE

--- KAL-SAT-GASA
-.- ILL-SAT-GASA
-.- BENT-SAT-GASA
— TERZAGHI THEORY
 $p = 0$
PROPOSED THEORY
● $p = -.04$
▲ $p = -.1$
■ $p = -.5$

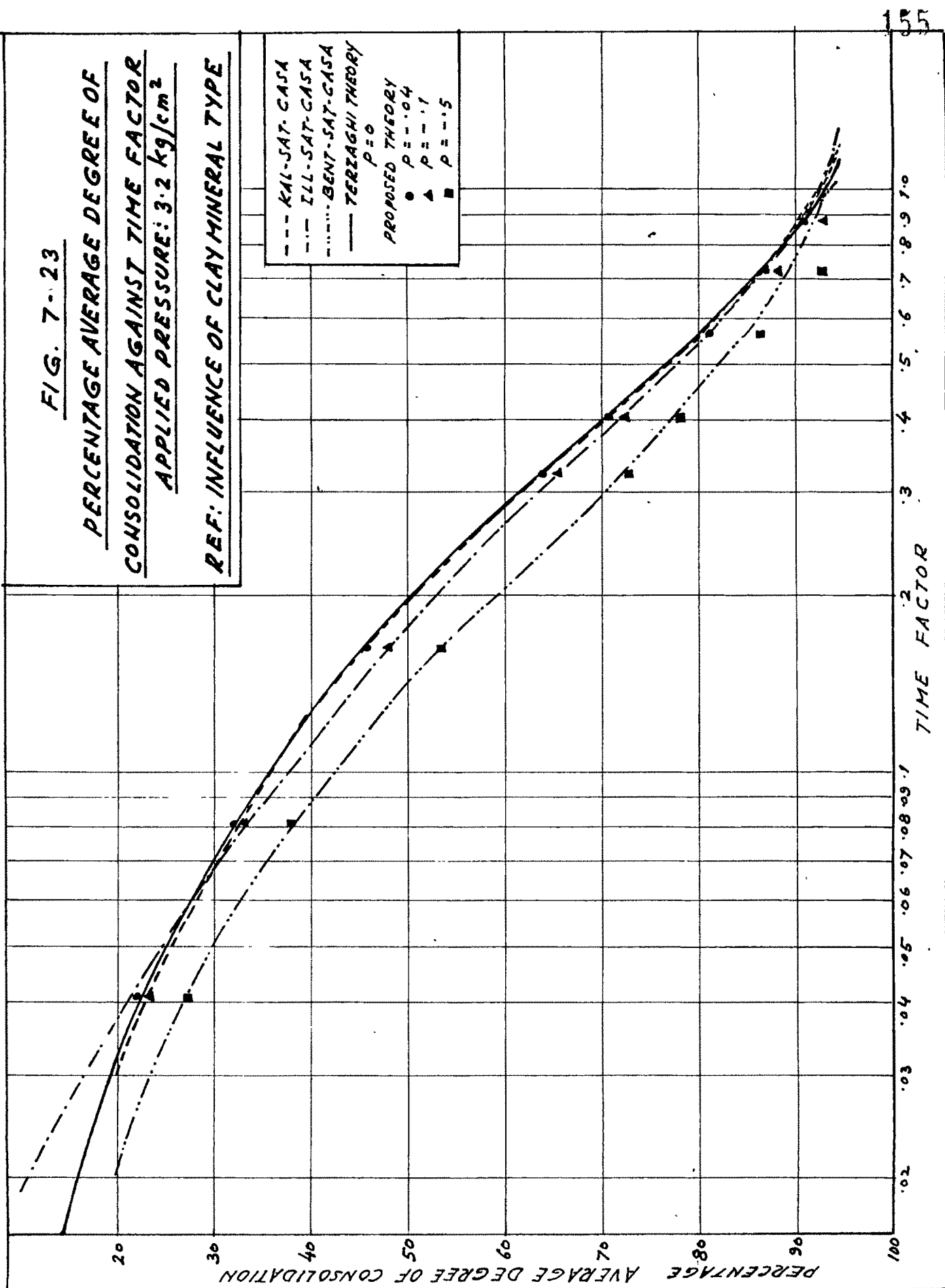


FIG. 7.24

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 6.4 kg/cm^2
REF: INFLUENCE OF CLAY MINERAL TYPE

--- KAL-SAT-GASA
--- ILL-SAT-GASA
--- BENT-SAT-GASA
--- TERZAGHI THEORY
 $p = 0$
PROPOSED THEORY
● $p = 1.04$
▲ $p = 1.09$
■ $p = 1.3$

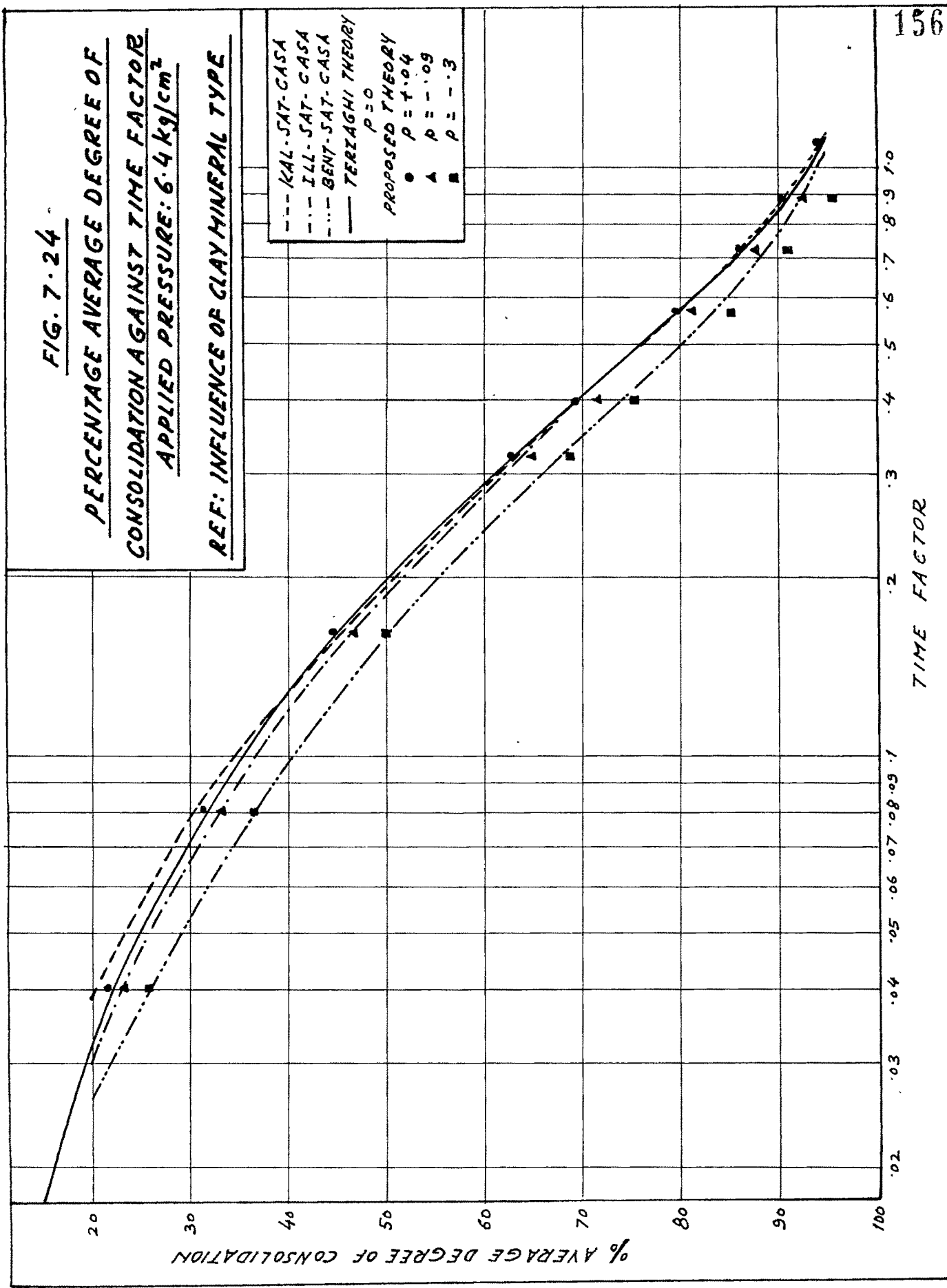
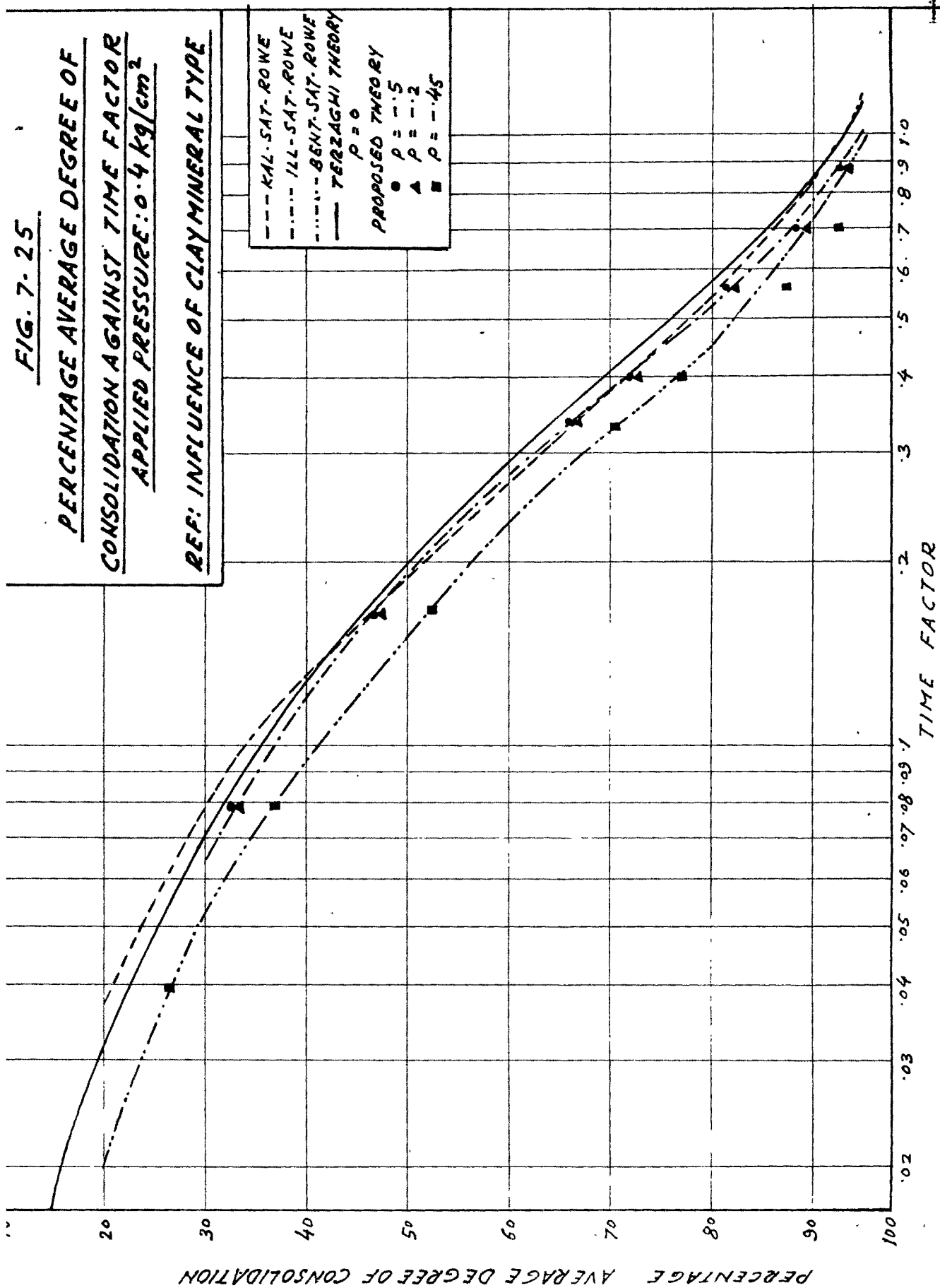


FIG. 7-25

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.4 kg/cm^2

REF: INFLUENCE OF CLAY MINERAL TYPE

--- KAL-SAT-ROWE
- - - ILL-SAT-ROWE
- . . . BENT-SAT-ROWE
— TERZAGHI THEORY
PROPOSED THEORY
● $p = 0$
▲ $p = -0.5$
■ $p = -0.2$
■ $p = -0.45$



PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.8 kg/cm²

REF: INFLUENCE OF CLAY MINERAL TYPE



FIG. 7-27

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 1.6 kg/cm²

REF: INFLUENCE OF CLAY MINERAL TYPE

--- KAL-SAT-ROWE
-.-.- ILL-SAT-ROWE
-.-.- BENT-SAT-ROWE
— TERZAGHI THEORY
P = 0
P = +.15
P = -.25
P = -.4

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR

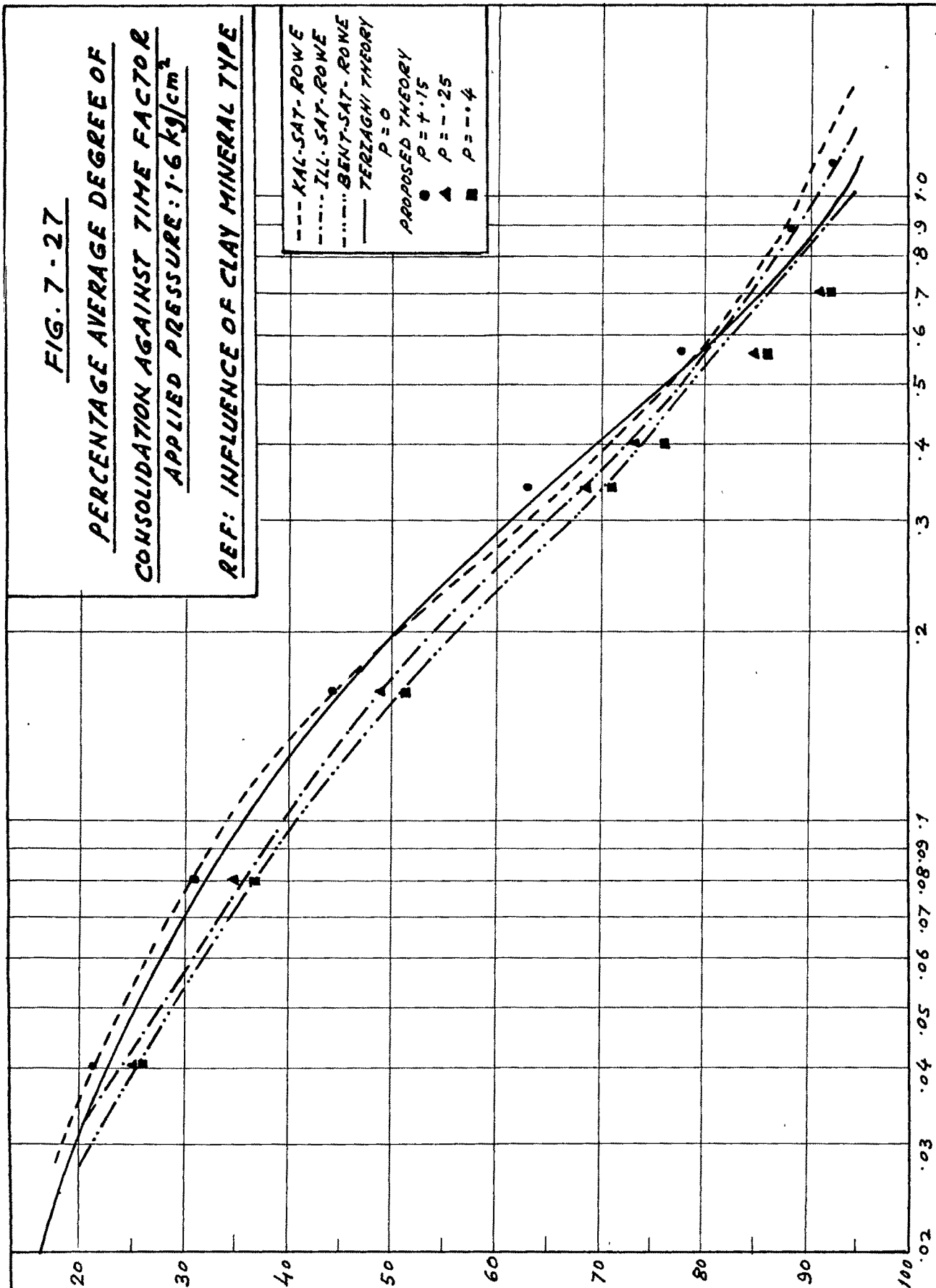


FIG. 7-28

PERCENTAGE MIDPLANE CONSOLIDATION

AGAINST TIME FACTOR

APPLIED PRESSURE: 1.6 kg/cm^2

REF: INFLUENCE OF CLAY MINERAL TYPE

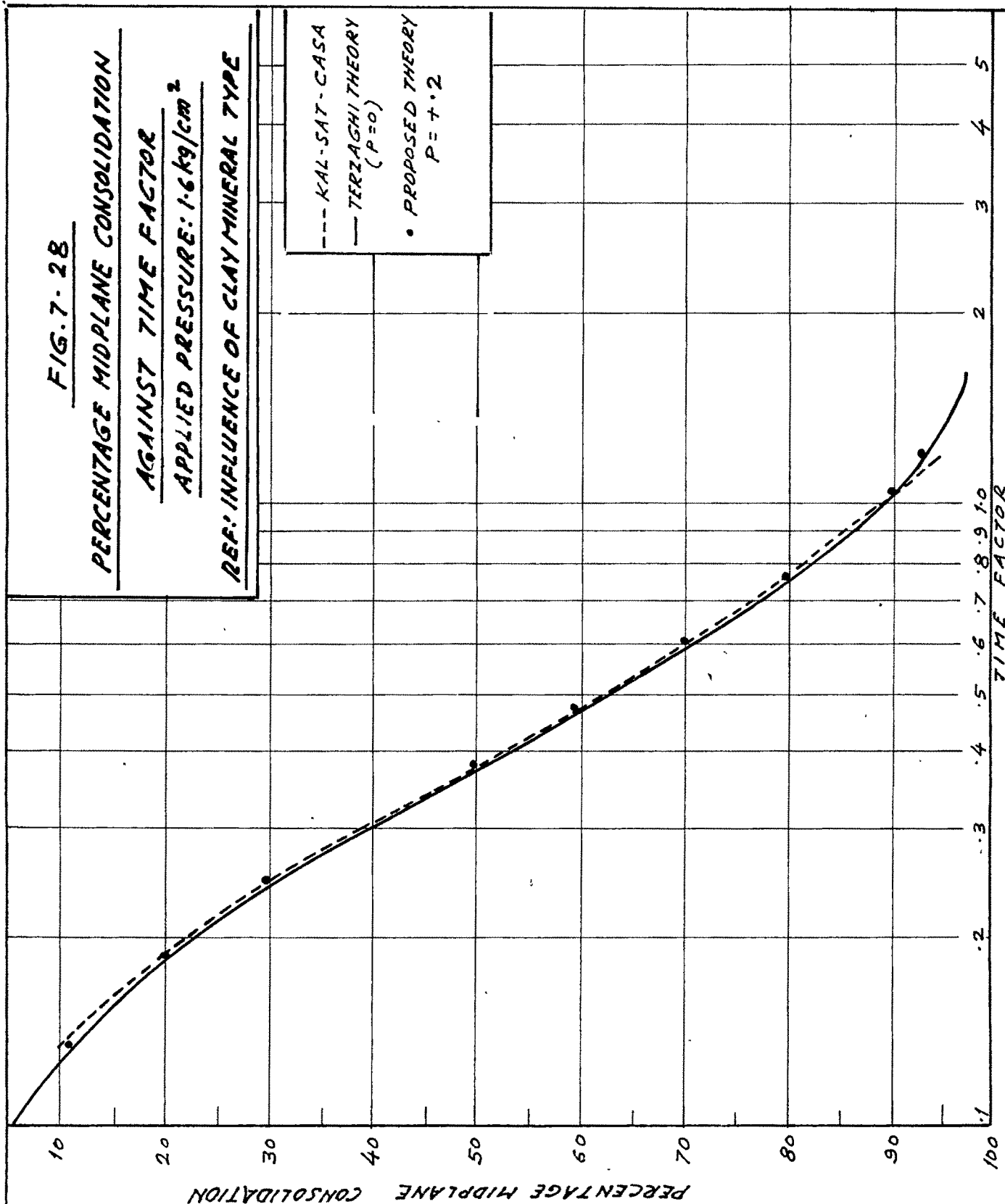


FIG. 7-29

PERCENTAGE MIDPLANE CONSOLIDATION

AGAINST TIME FACTOR

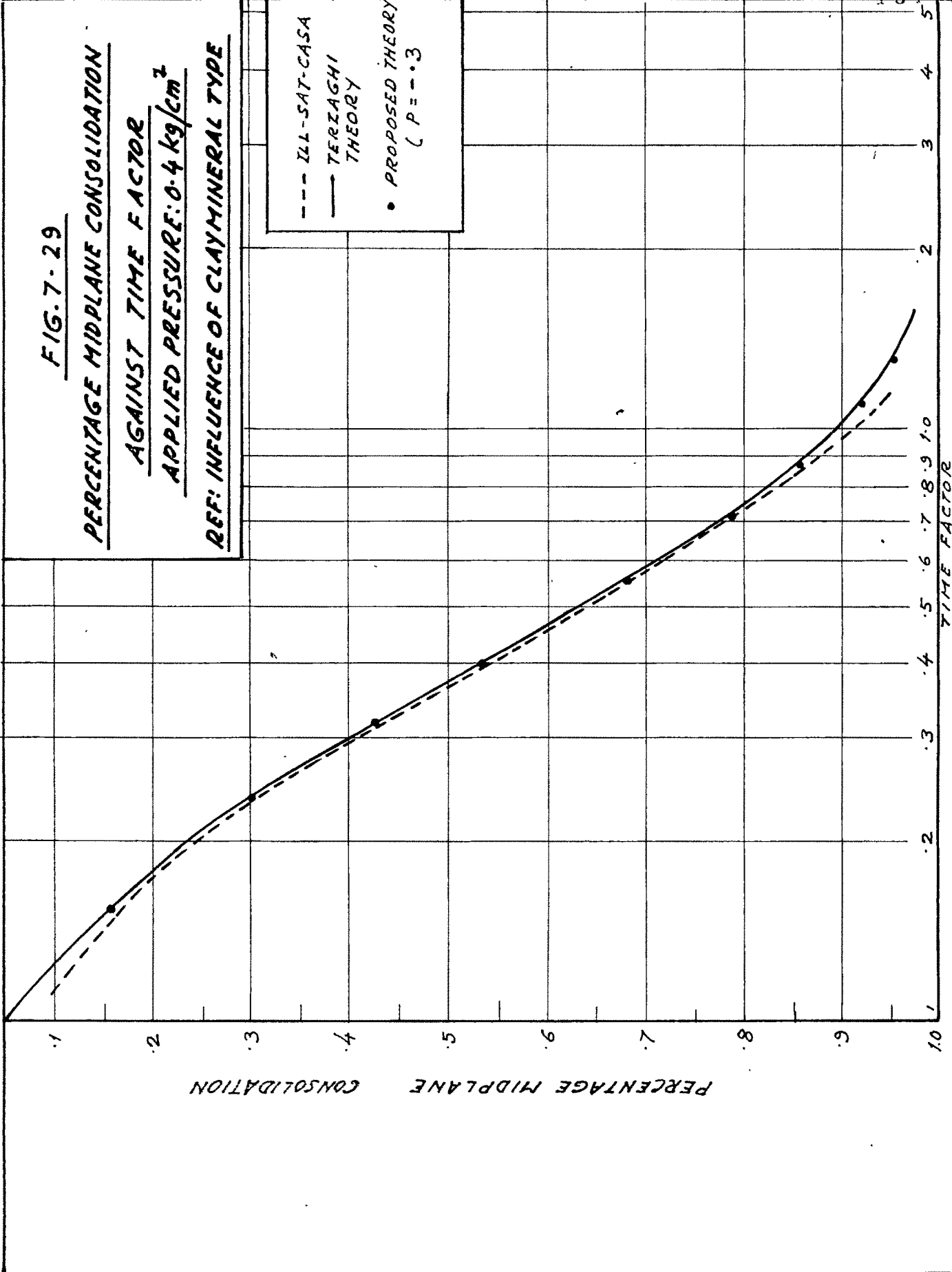
APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.4 kg/cm^2

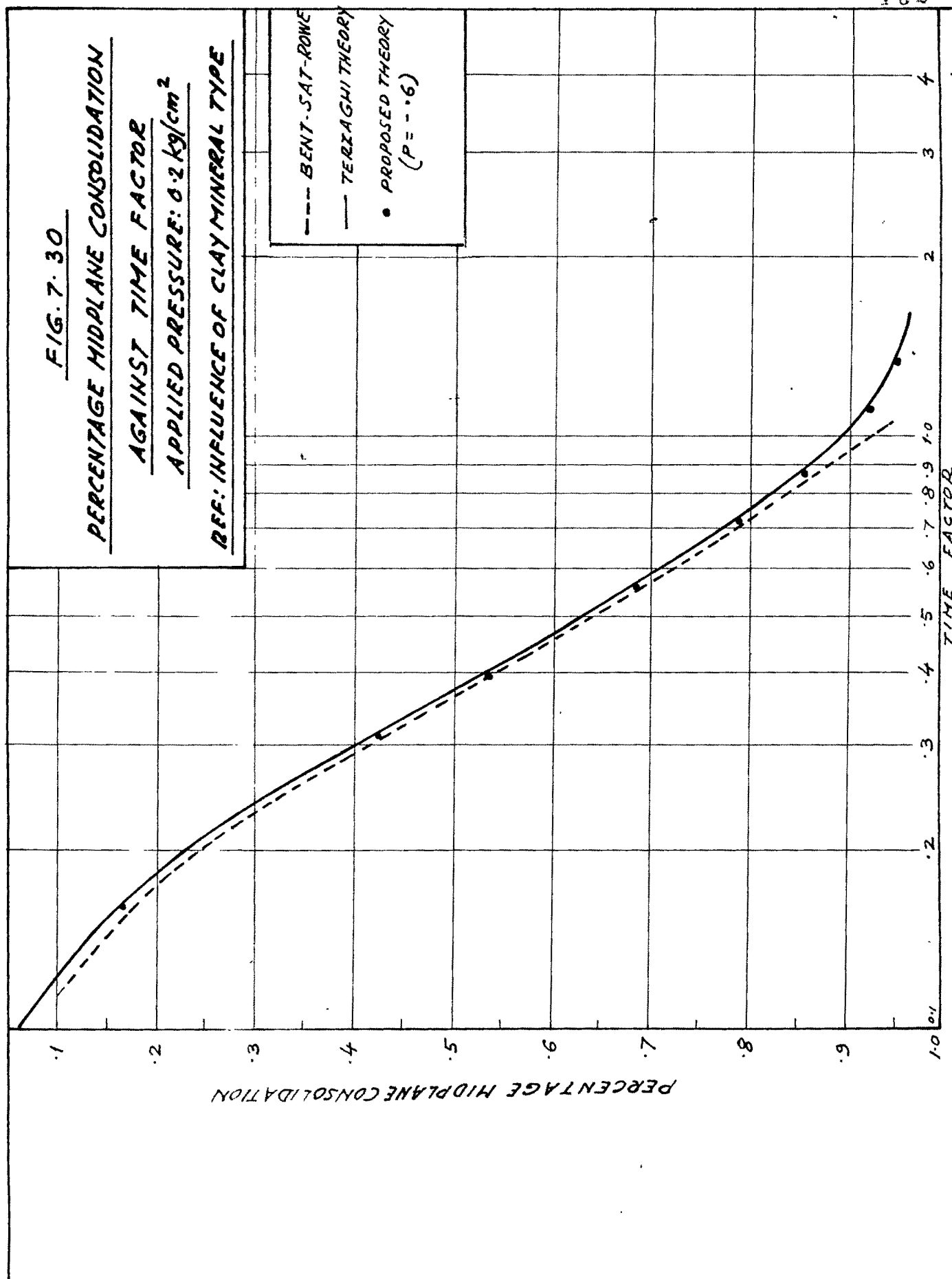
REF: INFLUENCE OF CLAY MINERAL TYPE

- ILL-SAT-CASA
- TERZAGHI THEORY
- PROPOSED THEORY ($P = .03$)

PERCENTAGE MIDPLANE CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR





and it possesses higher extent of potential surface which has perfectly oriented water of rigid nature. The observed slow initial rate of consolidation in montmorillonite can be attributed to the slowness with which the rigid oriented water breaks up under the applied load. In case of non-expanding group of minerals viz. kaolinite and illite the adsorbed water is comparatively less perfectly oriented. As a consequence the water would be more easily removed under the application of load.

The explanation for the consolidation behaviour from the point of view of intermolecular forces prevailing during the interaction in a clay water system can be derived from the Freundlich concept (1935). The swelling nature of the montmorillonite clay suggests that the net repulsive potential between two particles is predominant before the application of load. In the initial stages, the applied load potential is not sufficient enough to overcome those repulsive forces showing the sustenance of applied load but after some time the load potential predominates the decreasing repulsive forces. As a result, there occurs decrease in interparticle spacing causing expulsion of water after this initial hold up. On the other hand kaolinite has comparatively lesser net repulsive forces which are easily overcome by the applied load potential thereby reducing the interparticle spacing almost instantaneously.

Illite also behaves similar to kaolinite due to the presence of natural potassium which prevents the development of higher repulsive forces as in case of montmorillonite.

The observation of higher initial void ratio, higher compression index and nonlinear void ratio and effective pressure relationship with a initial convex curvature in montmorillonite can also be attributed to dominating repulsive forces. In kaolinite and illite these characteristics are not reflected because of lower repulsive forces except that under lighter loads at initial stages a slight resistance to the repulsive forces can be seen.

The peculiar characteristics of montmorillonitic clays over kaolinite and illite clays are also clearly reflected in the non-dimensional plot of degree of consolidation against the time factor. The curve of Bentonite deviates most from the Terzaghi curve which is essentially termed as 'Primary consolidation theory' derived on the consolidation of hydrodynamic time lag only ignoring the time lag due to plastic resistance known as 'secondary compression.' Experimental results of Bentonite reveal notable secondary compression. This particular consolidation behaviour^{of} Bentonite can be attributed to the rigid plastic nature of the oriented water which sustains the applied load in the beginning but with time the load potential predominates these forces permitting the

expulsion of free water although the plastic resistance is continuous throughout the process of consolidation. The variation in C_v value suggests that it may be time dependent co-efficient for expanding type clay mineral soil and similarly parameter P can also be a function of time.

7.3.2. Fabric Structure

Refer Figures 7.31 to 7. 62 which are derived from the parent plots of Figures H.77 to H.157 reported in Appendix H of Volume II.

Analysis :

- (i) Co-efficient of consolidation against percentage degree of consolidation. (Refer Figures 7.31 to 7.38).

In both flocculated kaolinite and Bentonite C_v value shows a slow decrease during the consolidation under lighter loading, while at higher loading it tends to indicate constant value of C_v . In case of dispersed kaolinite and Bentonite initially the former shows decrease in C_v value under 0.2 kg/cm² but at the same loading the latter indicates a slight increase in the C_v value. As the consolidation proceeds the value tends to approach a constant value. At higher loads also the C_v value seems to remain more or less same.

- (ii) Co-efficient of consolidation against applied effective pressure. (Figures 7.39 and 7.40).

Kaolinite and Bentonite do not exhibit similar characteristics but the behaviour of flocculated and dispersed structure

FIG. 7-31

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION

REF: INFLUENCE OF FABRIC STRUCTURE

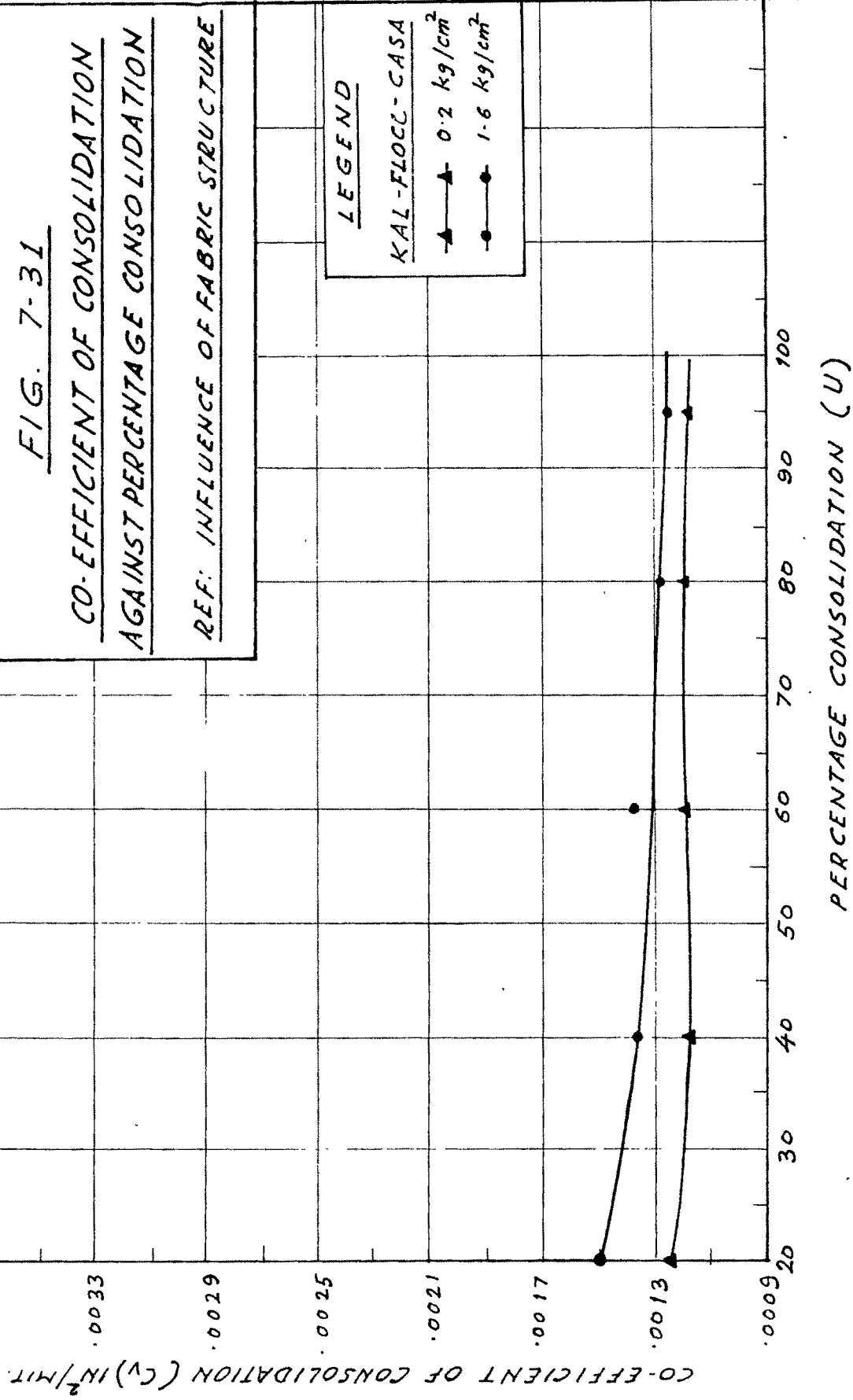


FIG. 7-32

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION

REF: INFLUENCE OF FABRIC STRUCTURE

LEGEND

KAL - FLOCC - ROWE

—●— 0.4 kg/cm²

—▲— 0.8 kg/cm²

0.0037

0.0033

0.0029

0.0025

0.0021

0.0017

0.0013

0.0009

0.0005

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN²/MHR

PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION (U)

20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90 100

FIG. 7-33

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION

REF: INFLUENCE OF FABRIC STRUCTURE

LEGEND

BENT-ACRY - CASA

0.2 kg/cm²

0.6 kg/cm²

6.4 kg/cm²

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN./HNT

PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION (U)

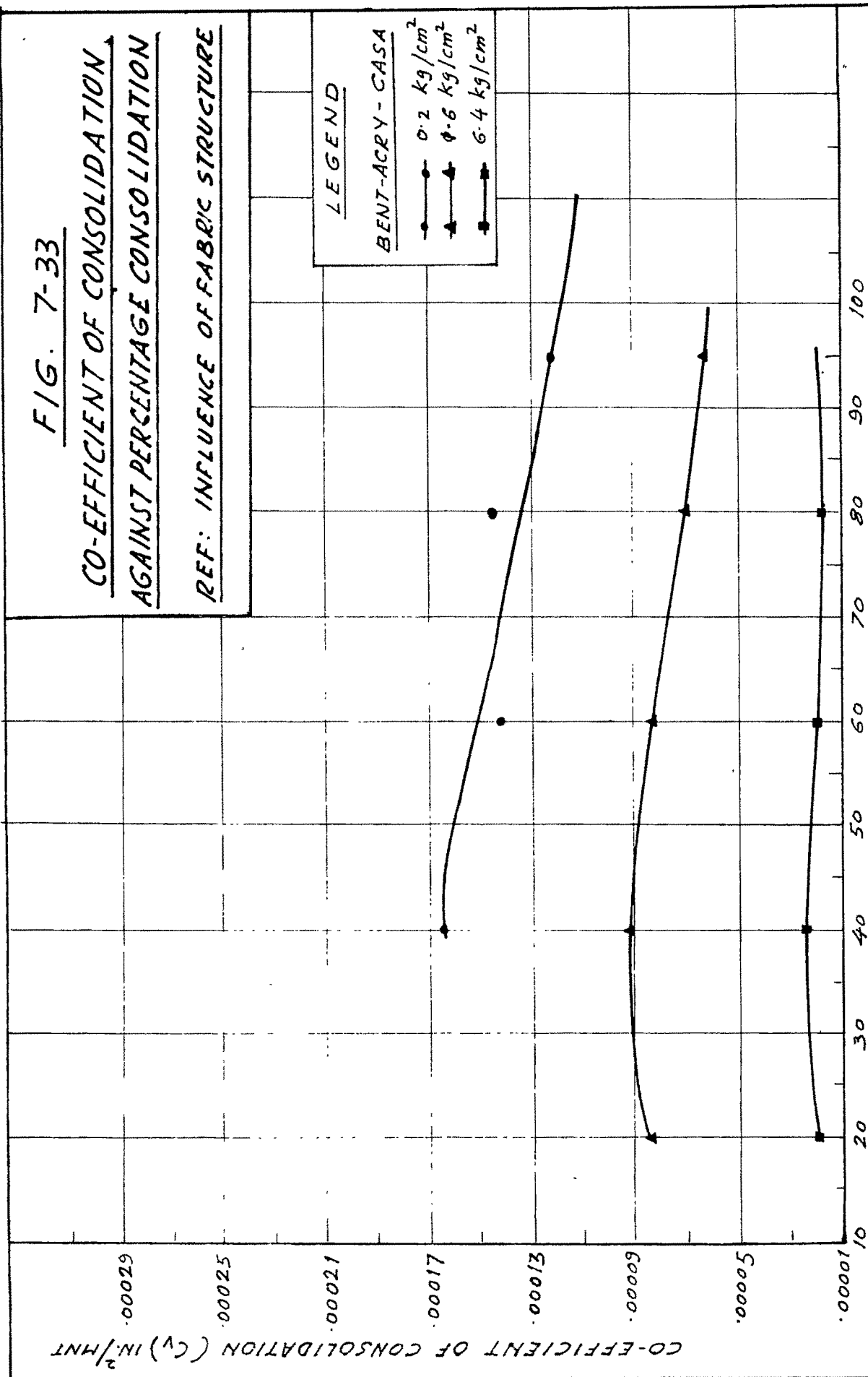


FIG. 7-34

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION
REF.: INFLUENCE OF FABRIC STRUCTURE

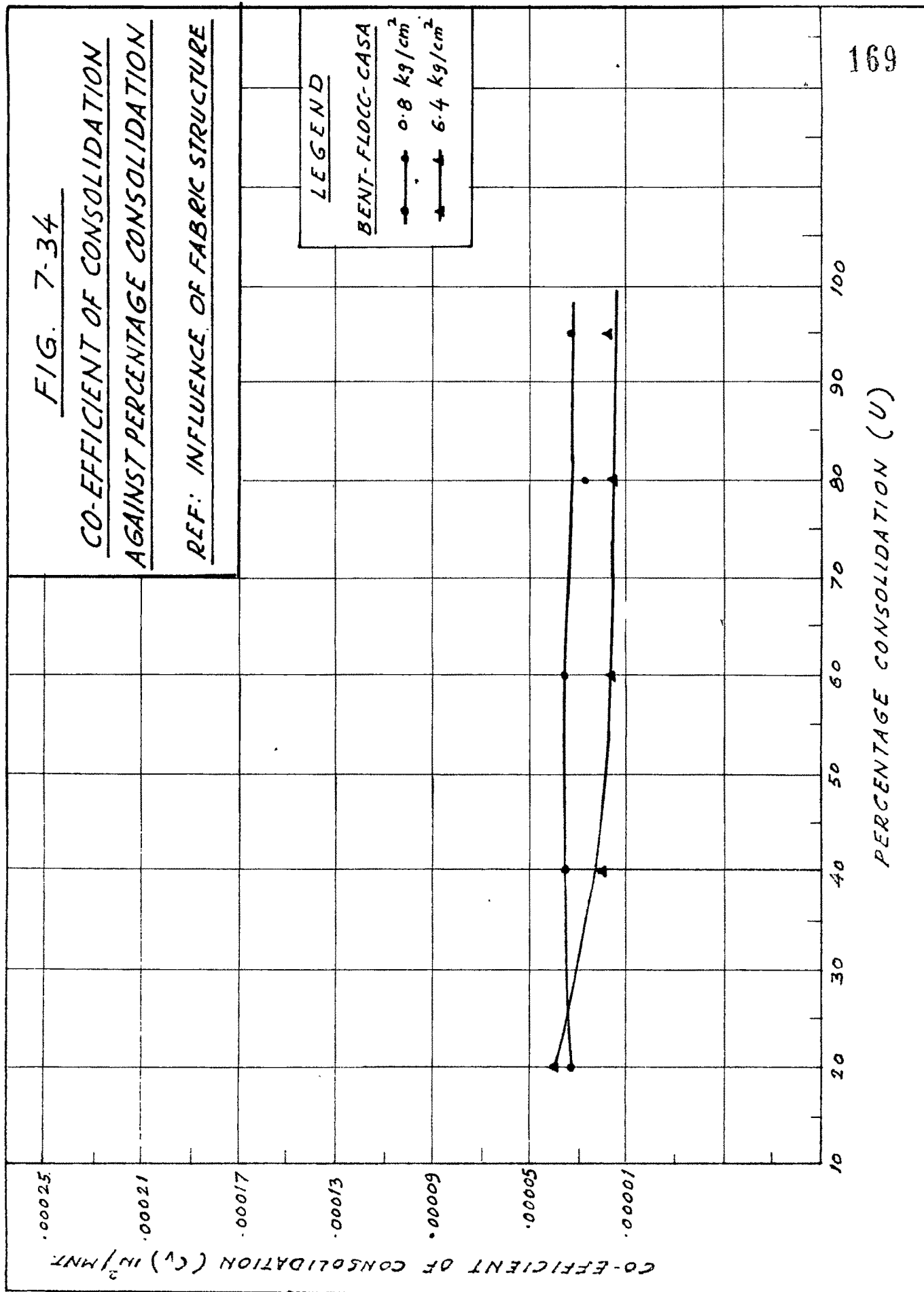


FIG. 7-35

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION

REF: INFLUENCE OF FABRIC STRUCTURE

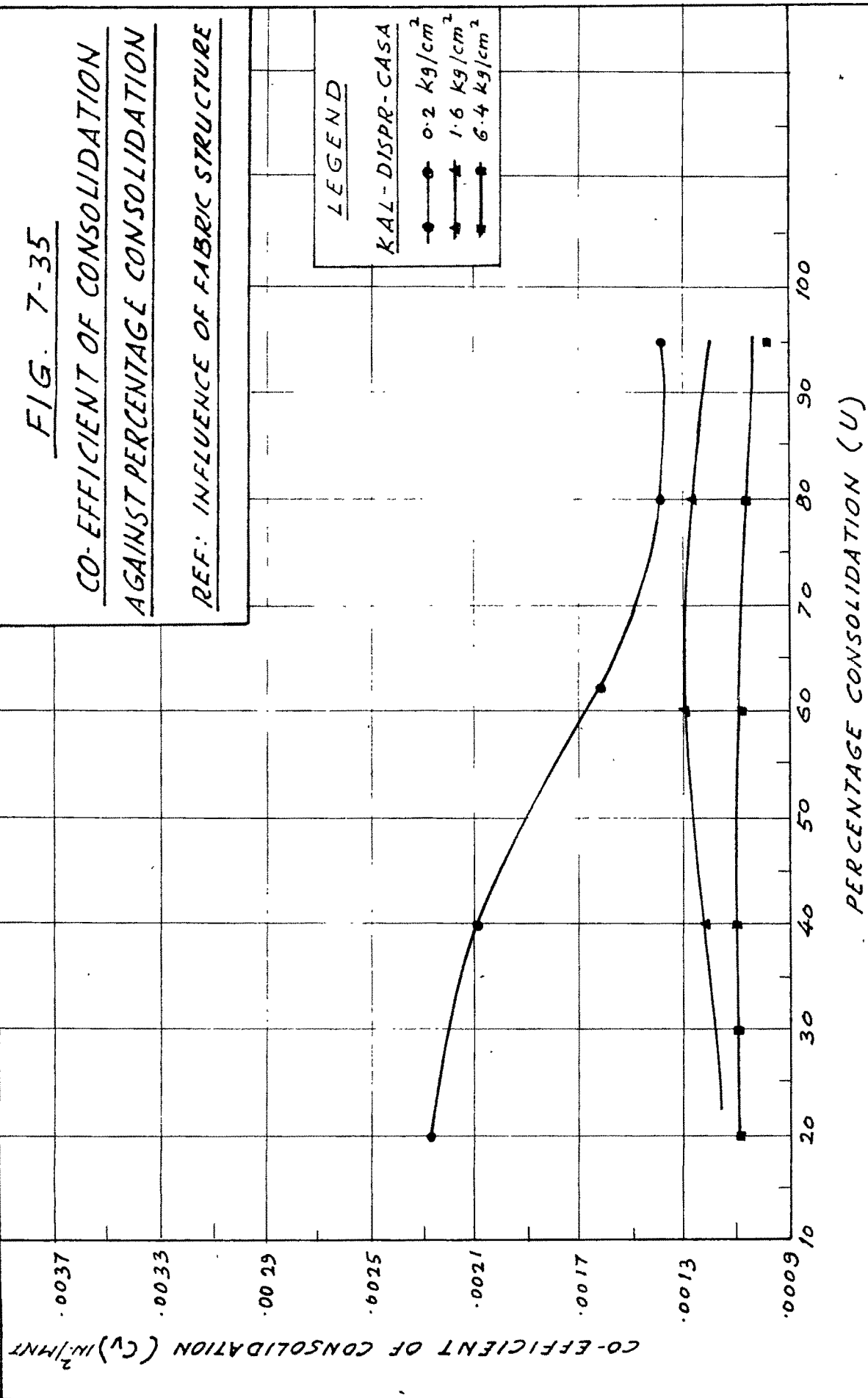
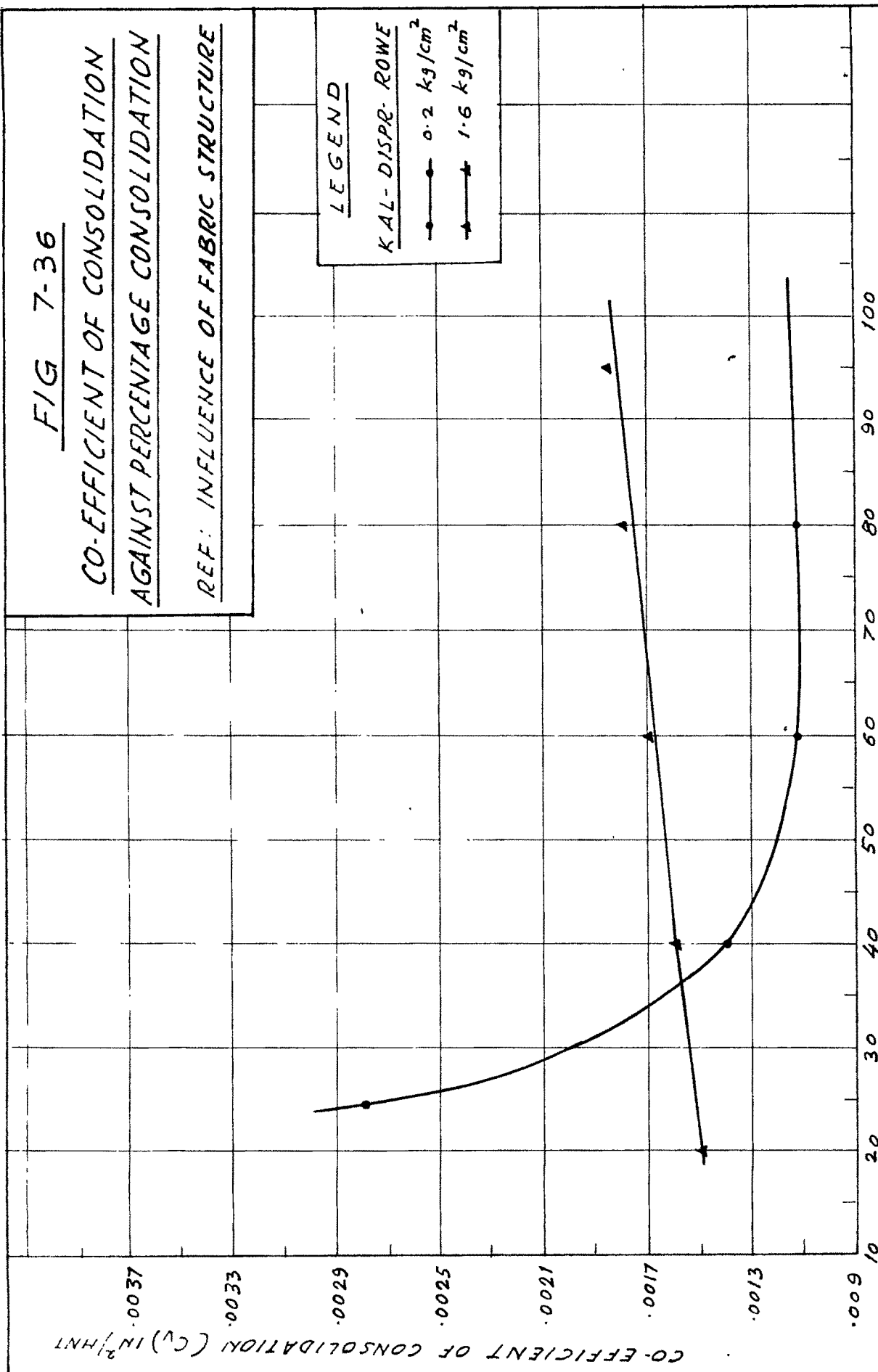


FIG 7-36

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION

REF: INFLUENCE OF FABRIC STRUCTURE



LEGEND

KAL-DISPER-ROWE

● 0.2 kg/cm^2

▲ 1.6 kg/cm^2

FIG. 7-37

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION

REF: INFLUENCE OF FABRIC STRUCTURE

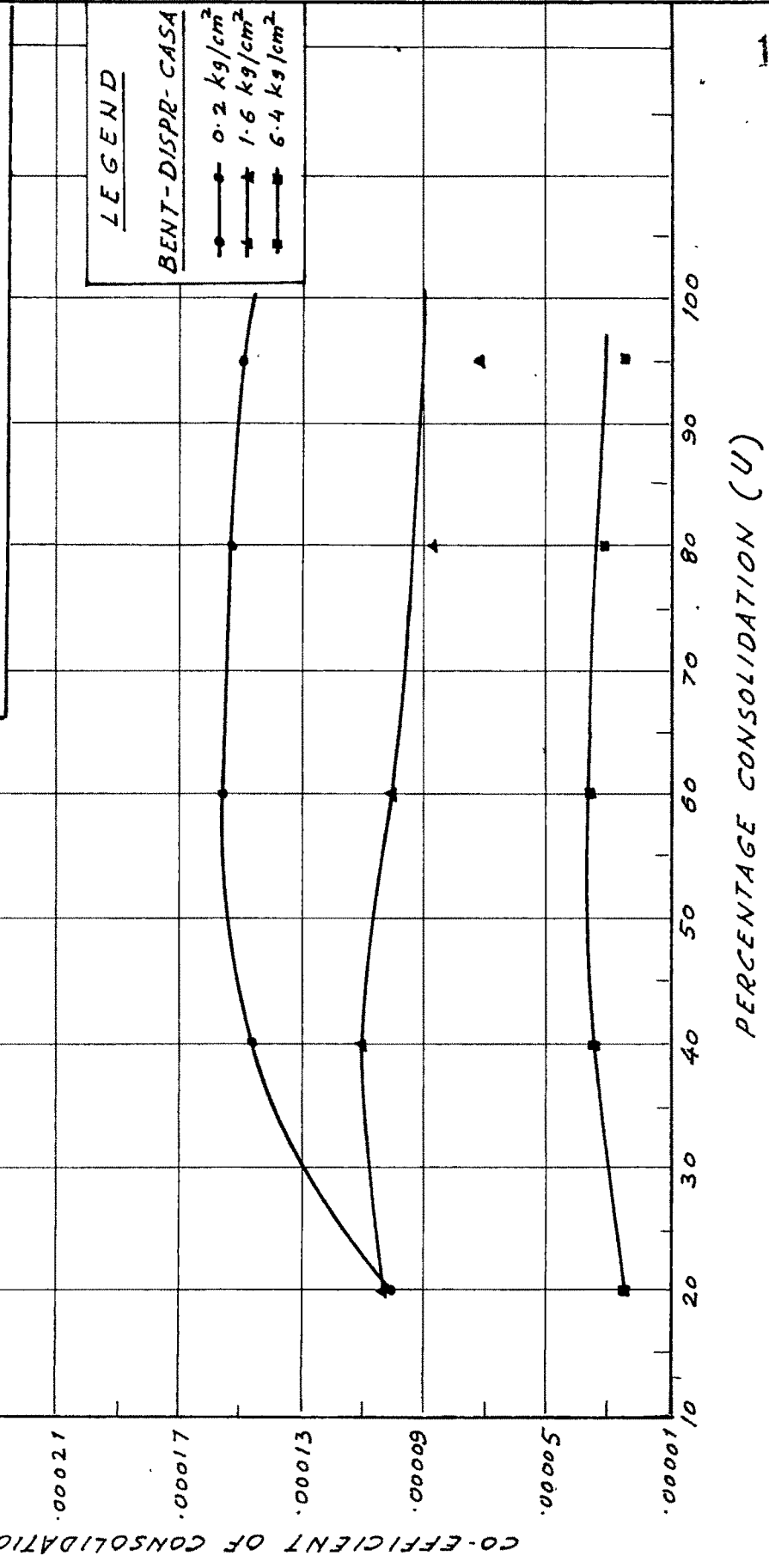


FIG. 7-38

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION

REF: INFLUENCE OF FABRIC STRUCTURE

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN $\frac{1}{\text{HRT}}$

PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION (U)

LEGEND

BENT-DISPR- ROWE

● 0.4 kg/cm²

▲ 1.6 kg/cm²

.00021
.00017
.00013
.00009
.00005
.00001

10

20

30

40

50

60

70

80

90

100

FIG. 7-39

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE

REF: INFLUENCE OF FABRIC STRUCTURE

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION $10^{-2}/\text{HNT}$

LEGEND

- KAL-FLOCC-CASA
- ▲— KAL-DISPR-CASA
- KAL-DISPR-ROWE
- △— KAL-FLOCC-ROWE

APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE — $\text{kg/cm}^2 (\text{r/ft}^2)$

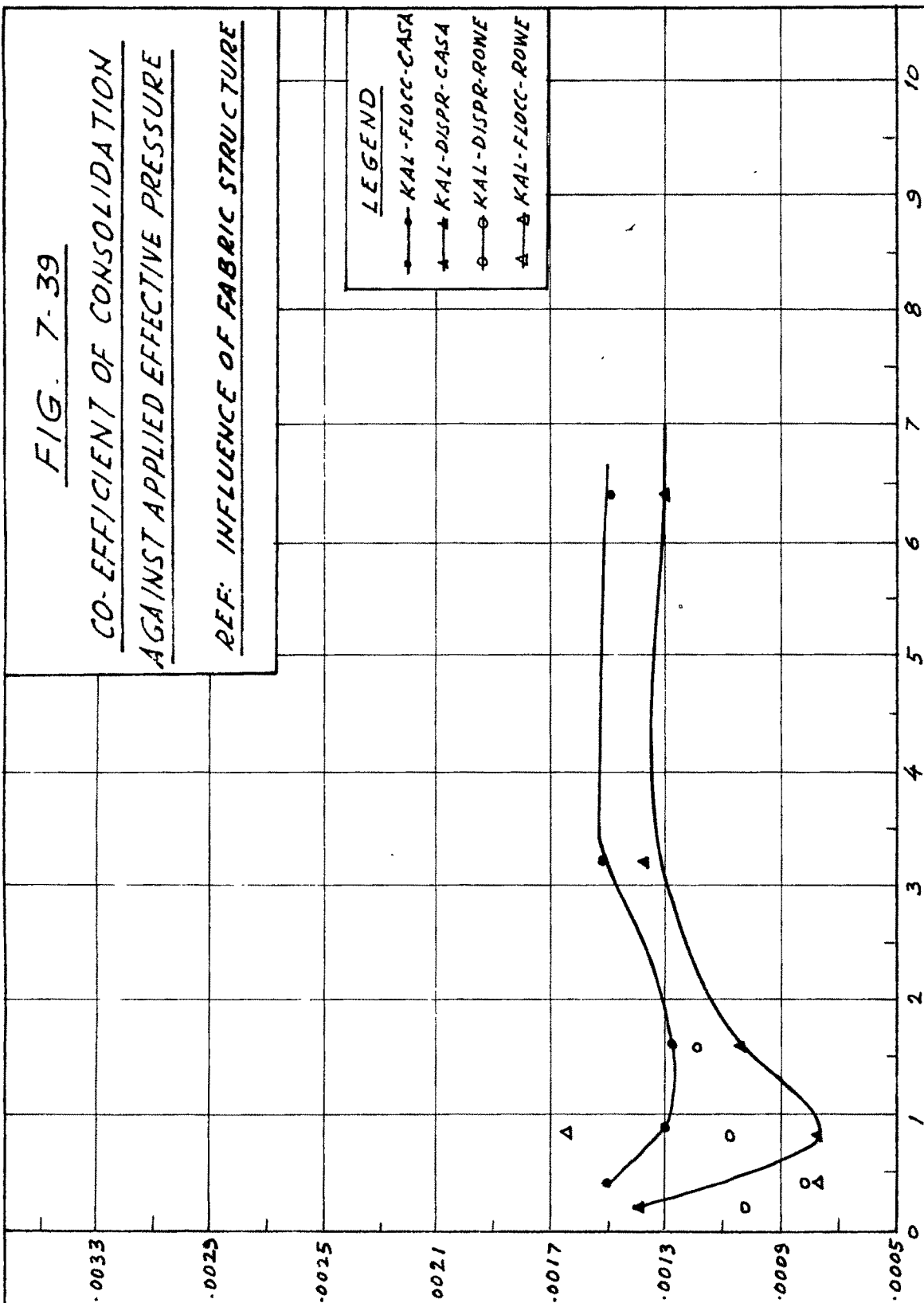


FIG. 7-40

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE

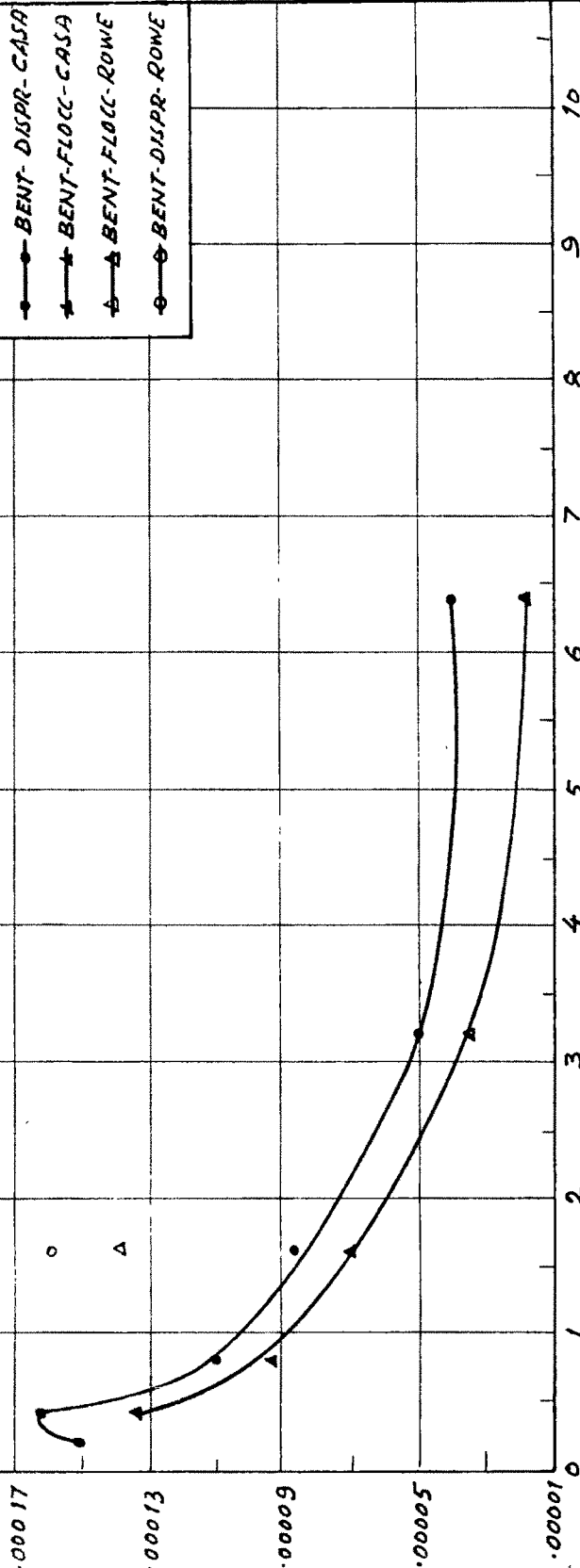
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CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION $IN^2/MNT.$

APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm^2 (τ/lb^2)

LEGEND

- BENT-DISPR-CASA
- ▲ BENT-FLOCC-CASA
- △ BENT-FLOCC-ROWE
- BENT-DISPR-ROWE



clays are almost similar. In kaolinite there is a decrease at light loadings and then an increase approaching a constant value at higher loadings. Whereas Bentonite shows a slight increase at 0.2 kg/cm^2 after which a rapid decrease is seen upto 3.2 kg/cm^2 ; from thereon the value remains unchanged.

- (iii) Compression Index against applied average effective pressure. (Figures 7.41 and 7.42).

General trends of flocculated kaolinite and Bentonite show a hump which is distinct in case of Bentonite. At higher loads the tendency of the curve is to flatten out. For dispersed kaolinite and Bentonite samples, the curve descends initially and then becomes horizontal.

- (iv) Percentage degree of secondary compression against applied effective pressure. (Figures 7.43 and 7.44).

Higher degree of secondary compression is observed in flocculated clays compared to dispersed clays. For dispersed clays, the amount of secondary compression is more under lighter loads which decreases rapidly and then remains more or less constant. It could be inferred that it is possible to reach 100% consolidation much earlier in case of initially dispersed structure than would be the case for an initially flocculated structure. In general the Bentonite samples show higher secondary compression than kaolinite.

- (v) Parameter P against applied effective pressure (Figure 7.45 and 7.46 to 7.62).

A comparison of the experimental curve with the theoretical

FIG. 7-41

COMPRESSION INDEX AGAINST AVERAGE

EFFECTIVE APPLIED PRESSURE kg/cm^2

REF: INFLUENCE OF FABRIC STRUCTURE

COMPRESSION INDEX (Cc)

LEGEND

- KAL-FLOCC-CASA
- ▲ KAL-DISPR-CASA
- KAL-FLOCC-ROWE
- △ KAL-DISPR-ROWE

AVERAGE EFFECTIVE APPLIED PRESSURE kg/cm^2 (τ/ft^2)

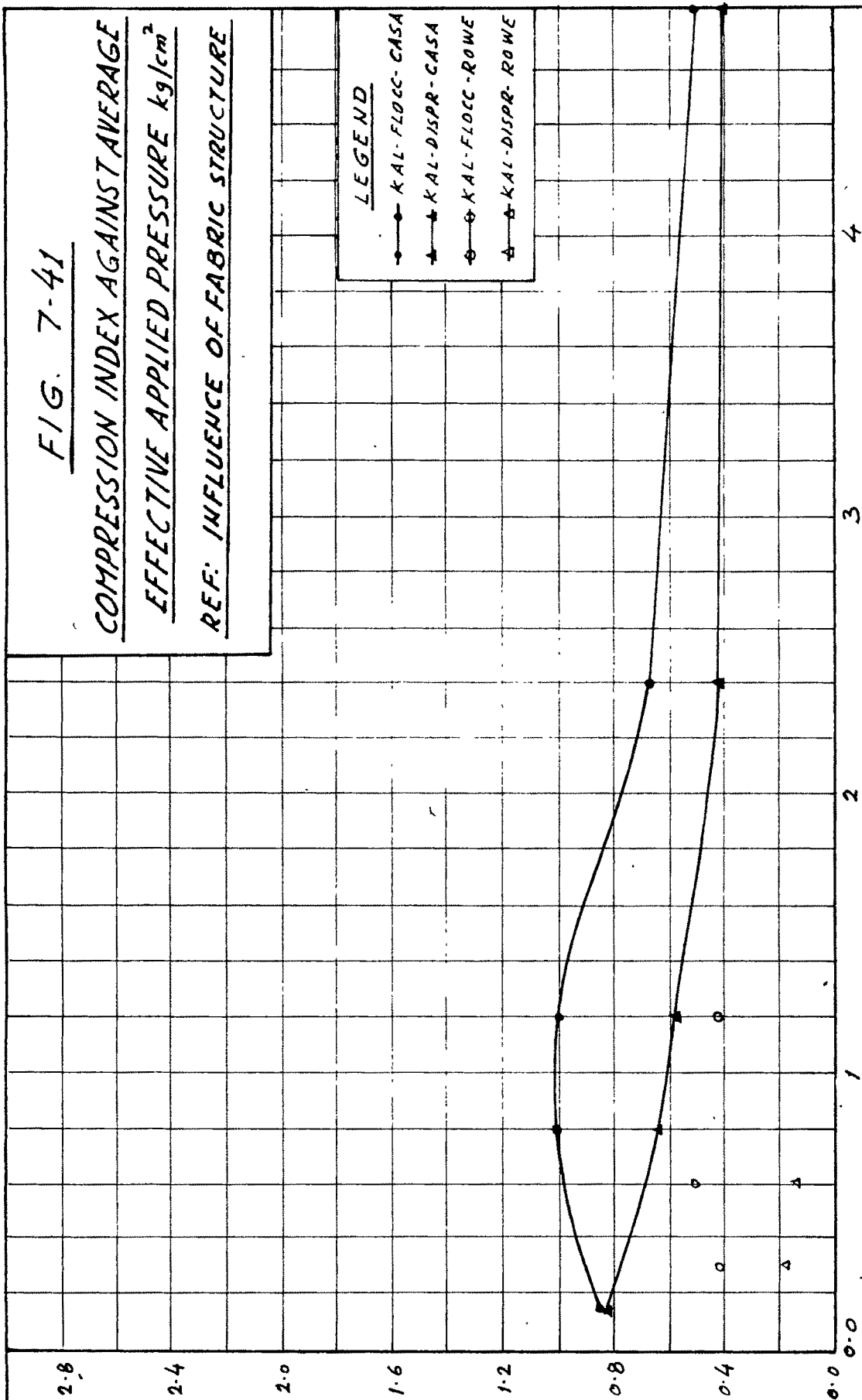


FIG. 7-42

COMPRESSION INDEX AGAINST

AVERAGE EFFECTIVE APPLIED PRESSURE

REF: INFLUENCE OF FABRIC STRUCTURE

COMPRESSION INDEX (Cc)

LEGEND
 ▲ BENT-DISPR-CASA
 ● BENT-FLOCC-CASA
 ○ BENT-FLOCC-ROWE
 ▲ BENT-DISPR-ROWE

4

3

2

1

0.0

AVERAGE EFFECTIVE APPLIED PRESSURE $\text{kg/cm}^2 (\text{lbf/in}^2)$

FIG. 7-43

PERCENTAGE SECONDARY COMPRESSION
AGAINST EFFECTIVE APPLIED PRESSURE
REF: INFLUENCE OF FABRIC STRUCTURE

PERCENTAGE SECONDARY COMPRESSION

LEGEND

- KAL-FLOCC-CASA
- ▲ KAL-DISPR-CASA
- KAL-FLOCC-ROWE
- ◊ KAL-DISPR-ROWE

EFFECTIVE APPLIED PRESSURE kg/cm^2 (lbf/in^2)

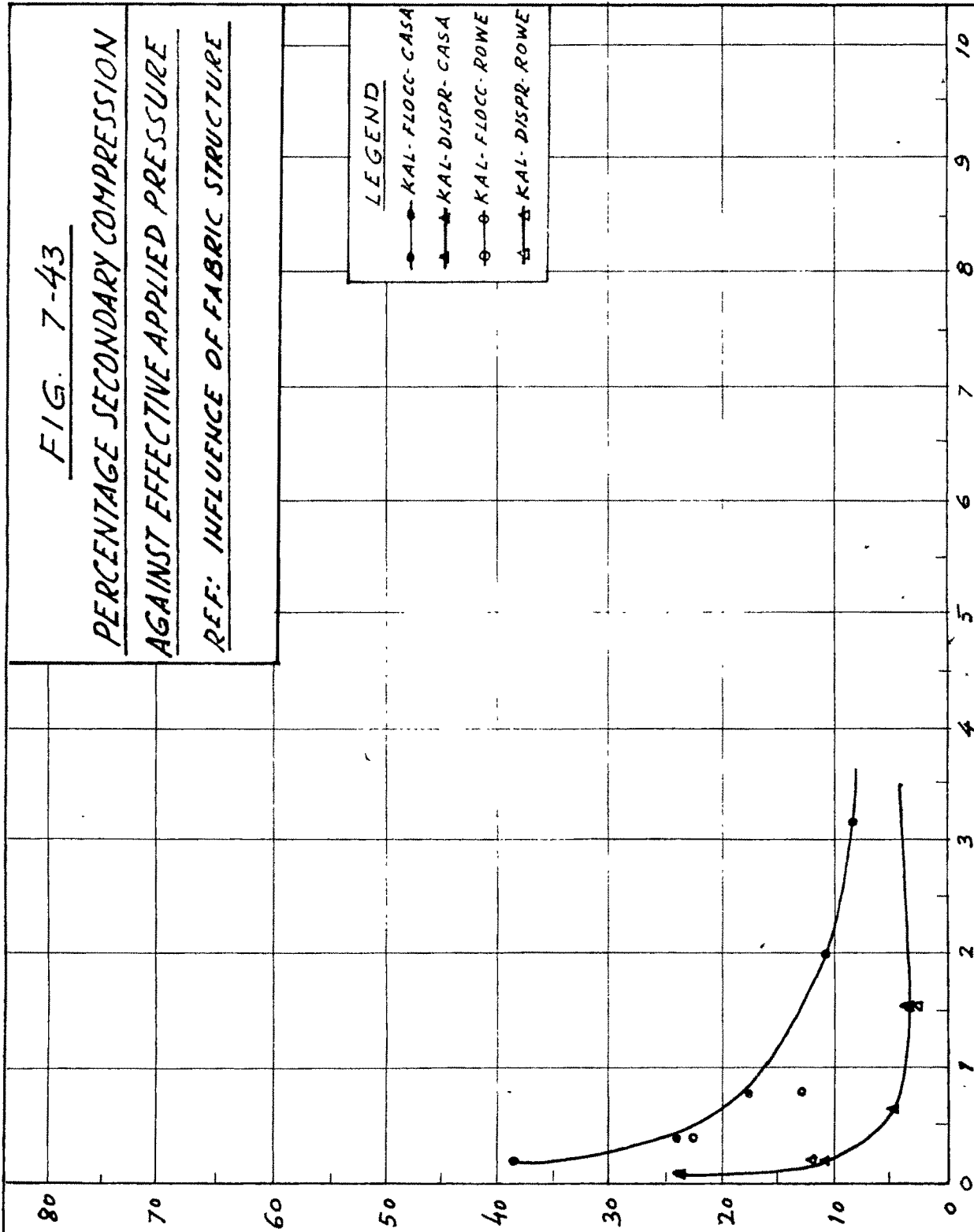


FIG. 7-44

PERCENTAGE SECONDARY COMPRESSION

AGAINST EFFECTIVE APPLIED PRESSURE kg/cm^2

REF: INFLUENCE OF FABRIC STRUCTURE

LEGEND

- BENT-DISPR. CASA
- ▲ BENT-FLOCC. CASA
- BENT-DISPR. ROWE
- △ BENT-FLOCC. ROWE

PERCENTAGE SECONDARY COMPRESSION

EFFECTIVE APPLIED PRESSURE kg/cm^2 (T/ft^2)

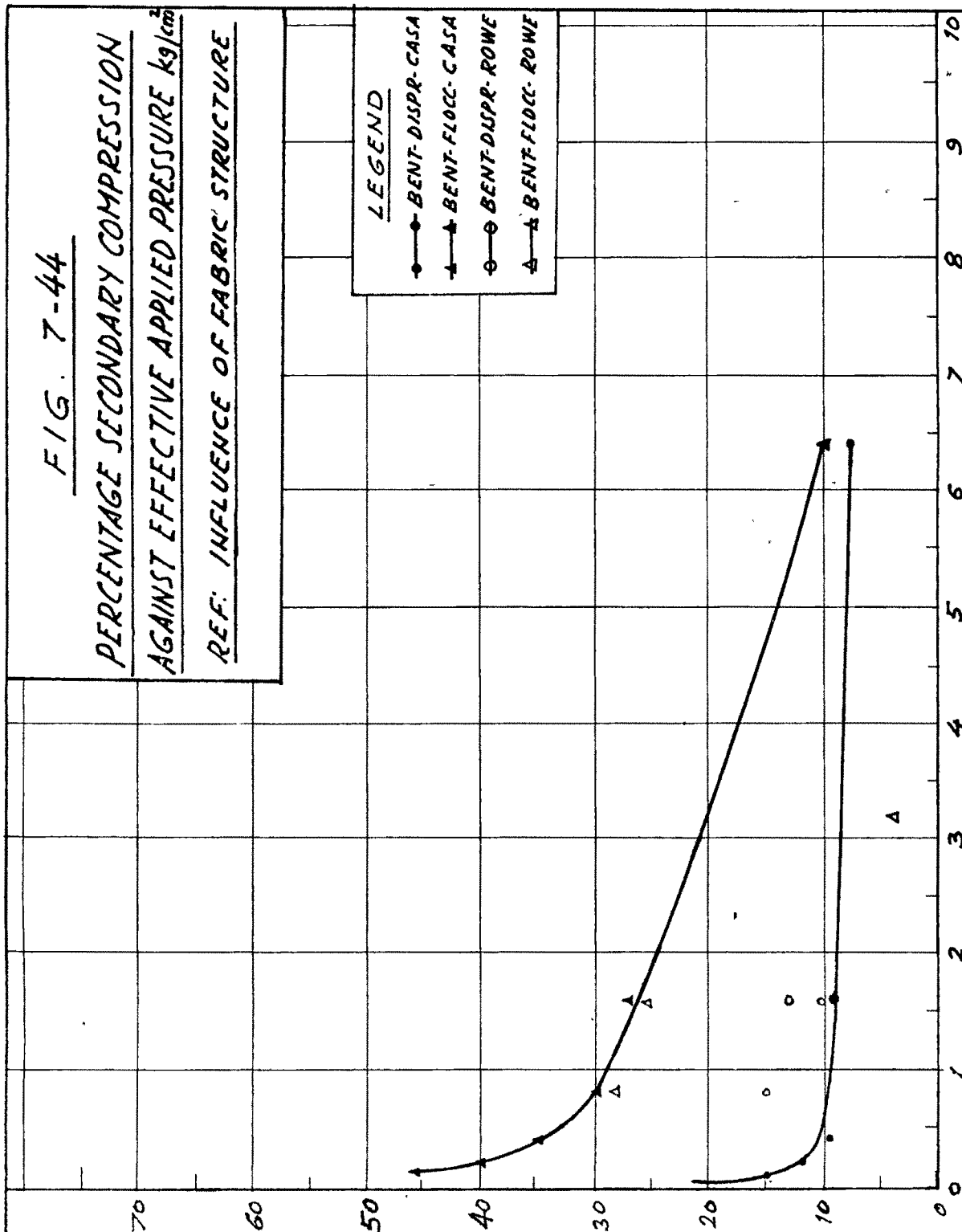


FIG. 7.45

PARAMETER 'P' AGAINST

EFFECTIVE APPLIED PRESSURE kg/cm^2

REF: INFLUENCE OF FABRIC STRUCTURE

LEGEND

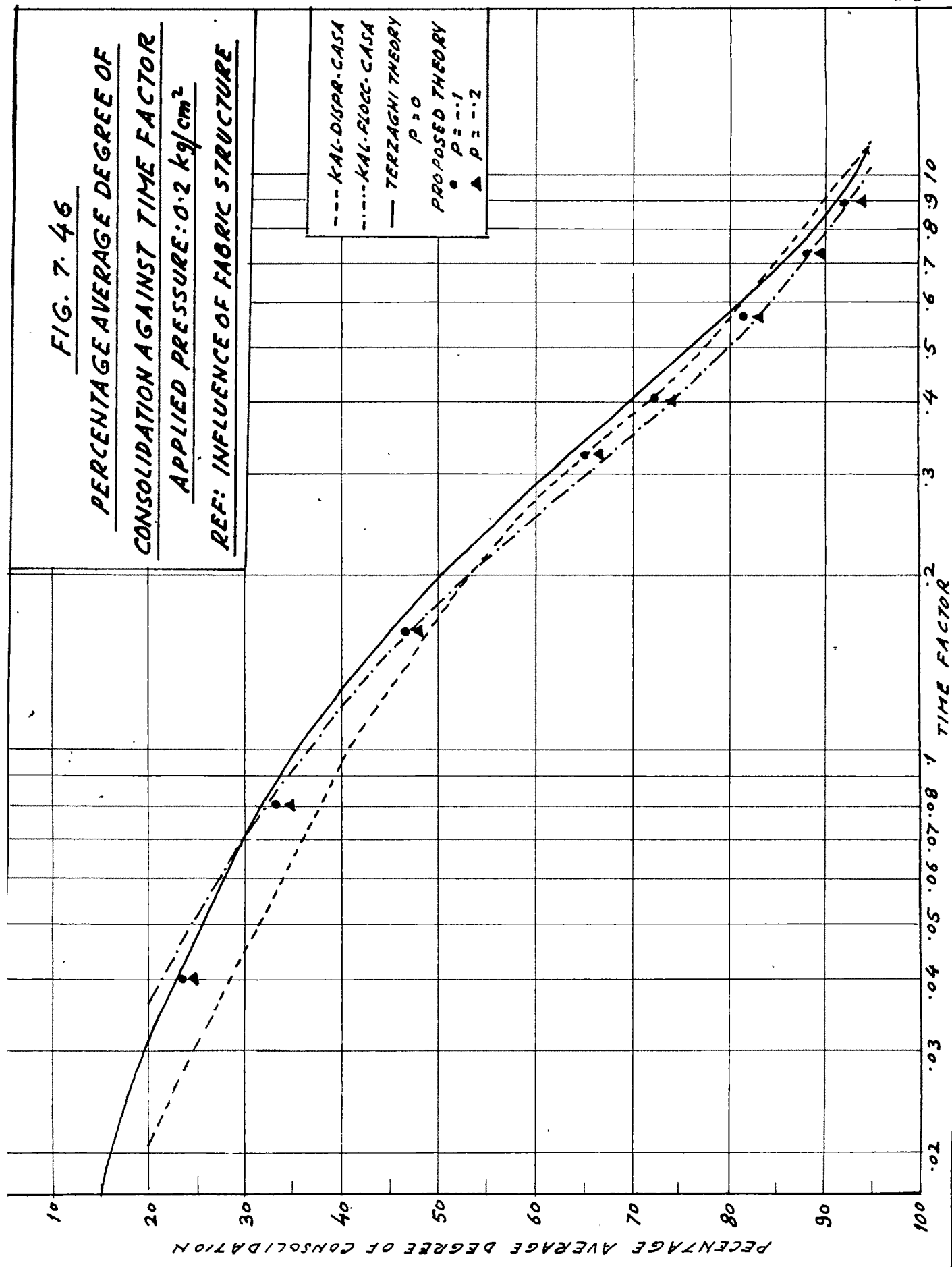
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- △ KAL-FLOCC-CASA
- BENT-DISPR-CASA
- BENT-FLOCC-CASA

PARAMETER 'P'

EFFECTIVE APPLIED PRESSURE kg/cm^2 (T/ft^2)

FIG. 7. 46

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.2 kg/cm^2
REF: INFLUENCE OF FABRIC STRUCTURE



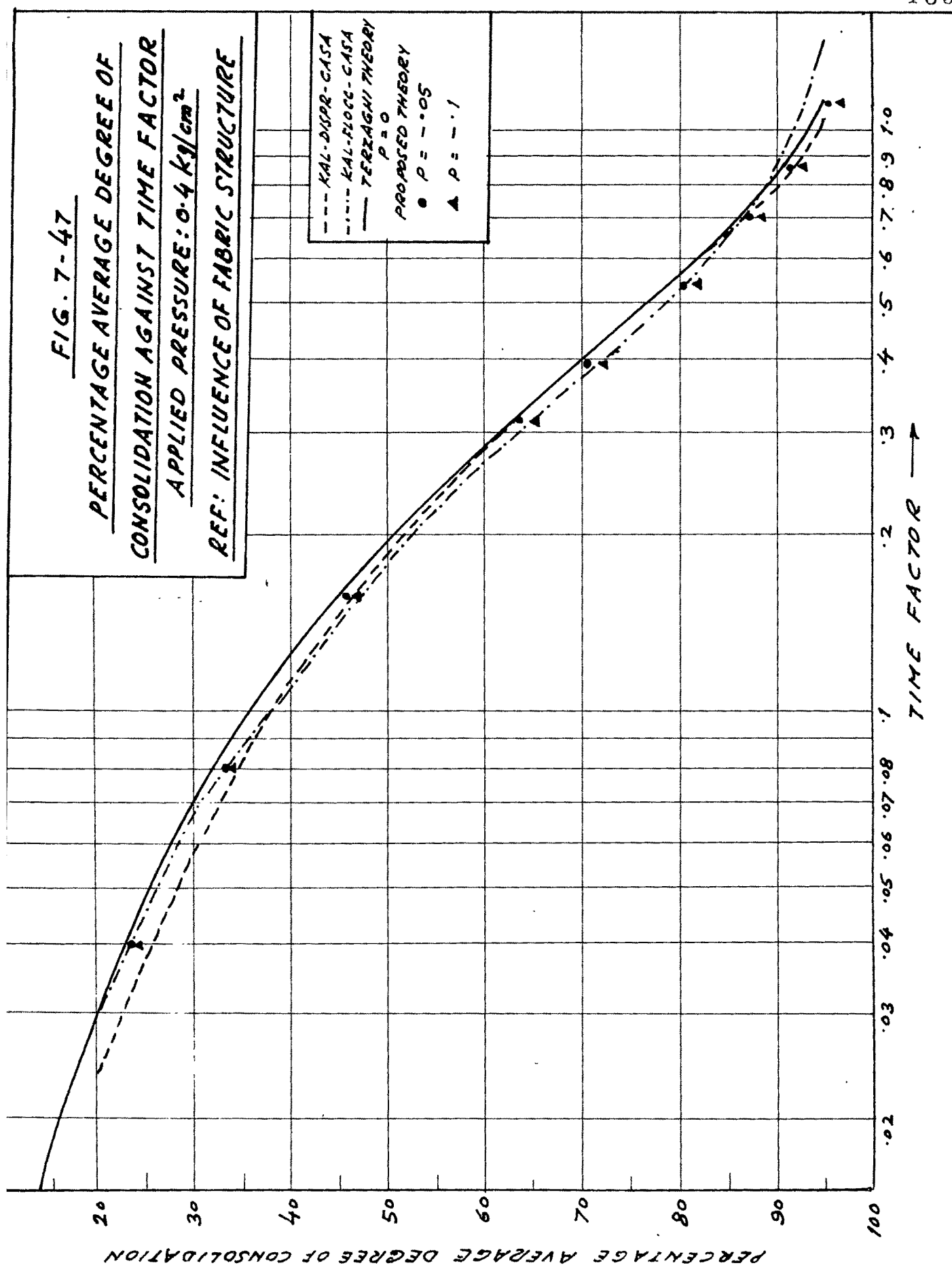


FIG. 7-48

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 1.6 kg/cm²
REF: INFLUENCE OF FABRIC STRUCTURE

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR →

--- KAL-DISPR-CASA
-.-.- KAL-FLOCC-CASA
— TERZAGHI THEORY
P = 0
● P = +.15
▲ P = -.1

FIG. 7. 49

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 3.2 kg/cm^2
REF: INFLUENCE OF FABRIC STRUCTURE

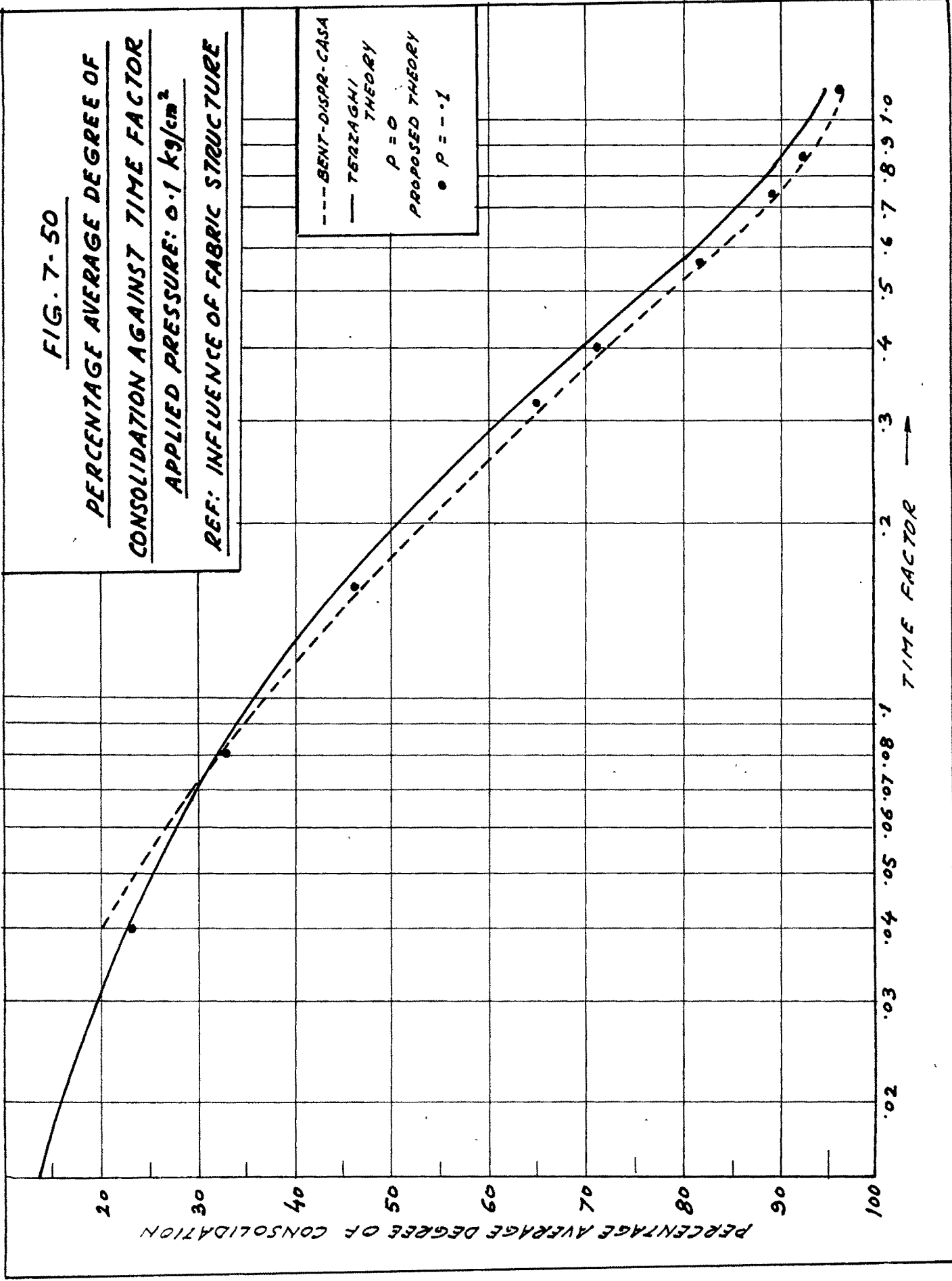
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- - - KAL-FLOCC-CASA
— TERRAGHI THEORY
P = 0
• P = .03
▲ P = .15

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR →

.02 .03 .04 .05 .06 .07 .08 .1 .2 .3 .4 .5 .6 .7 .8 .9 1.0

FIG. 7-50
PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.1 kg/cm²
REF: INFLUENCE OF FABRIC STRUCTURE



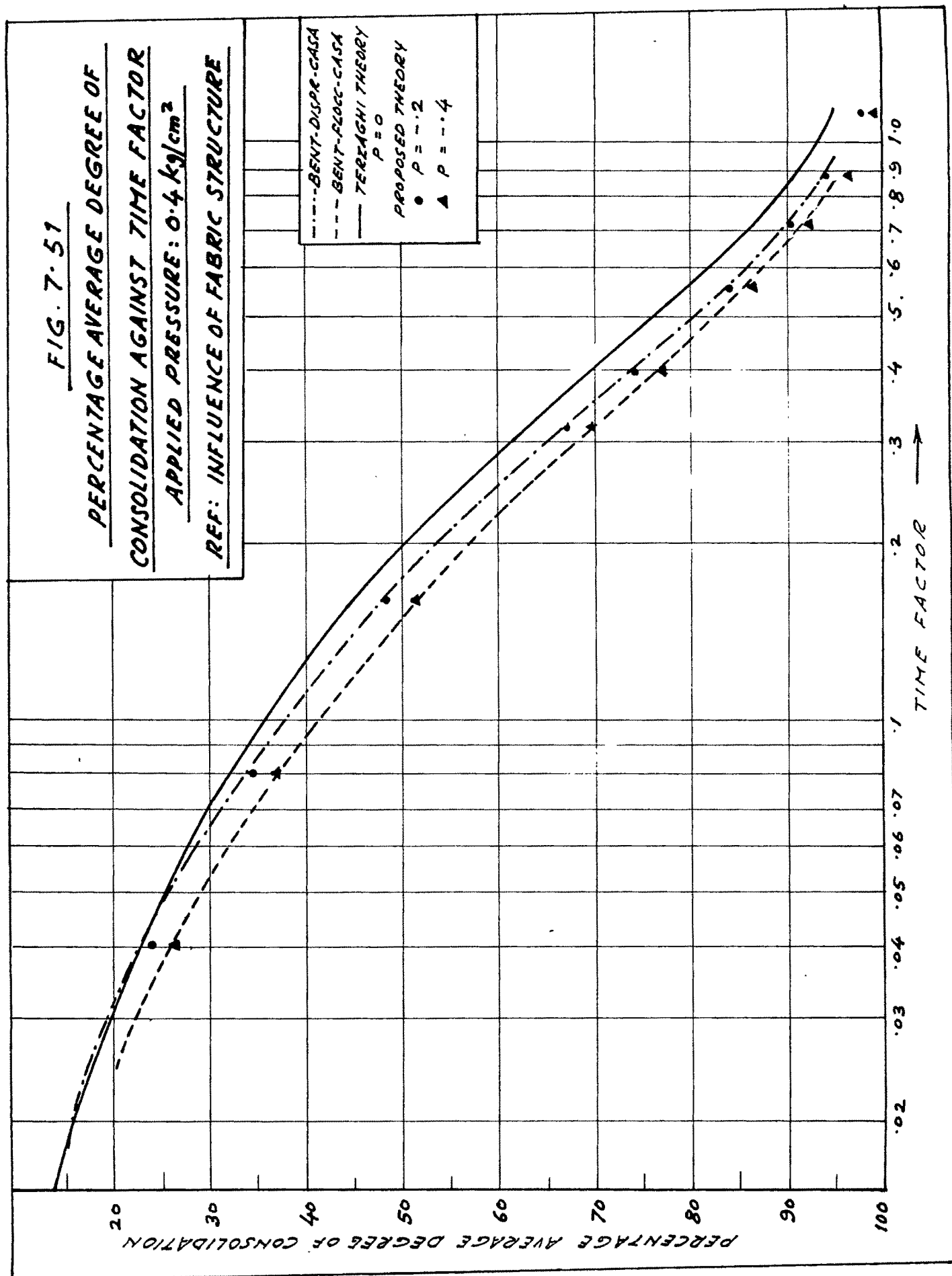


FIG. 7-52

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 1.6 kg/cm²
REF: INFLUENCE OF FABRIC STRUCTURE

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR →

--- BENT-DISAR-
CASA
--- BENT-FLOCC-CASA
--- TERZAGHI THEORY
P = 0
PROPOSED THEORY
● P = -.20
▲ P = -.27

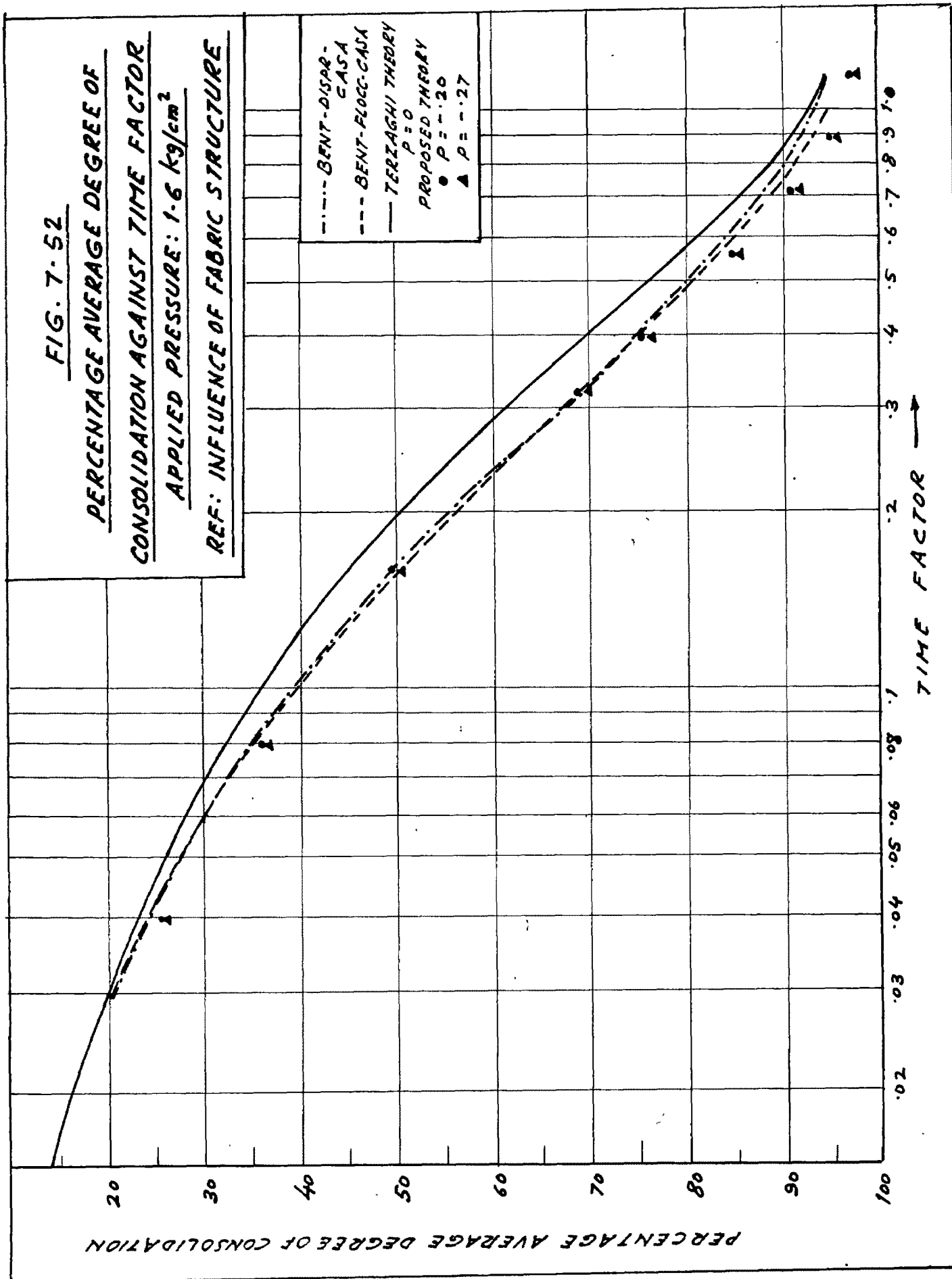


FIG. 7-53

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 3.2 kg/cm²
REF: INFLUENCE OF FABRIC STRUCTURE

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR →

- BENT- DISPR -
CASA
- BENT- FLOCC -
CASA
- TERTAGHI THEORY
 $P = 0$
- PROPOSED THEORY
- $P = -.2$
- ▲ $P = -.27$

20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90 100

.02 .0 3 .04 .05 .06 .07 .08 .1 2 .3 .4 .5 .6 .7 .8 .9 1.0

FIG. 7-54

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 6.4 kg/cm^2
REF: INFLUENCE OF FABRIC STRUCTURE

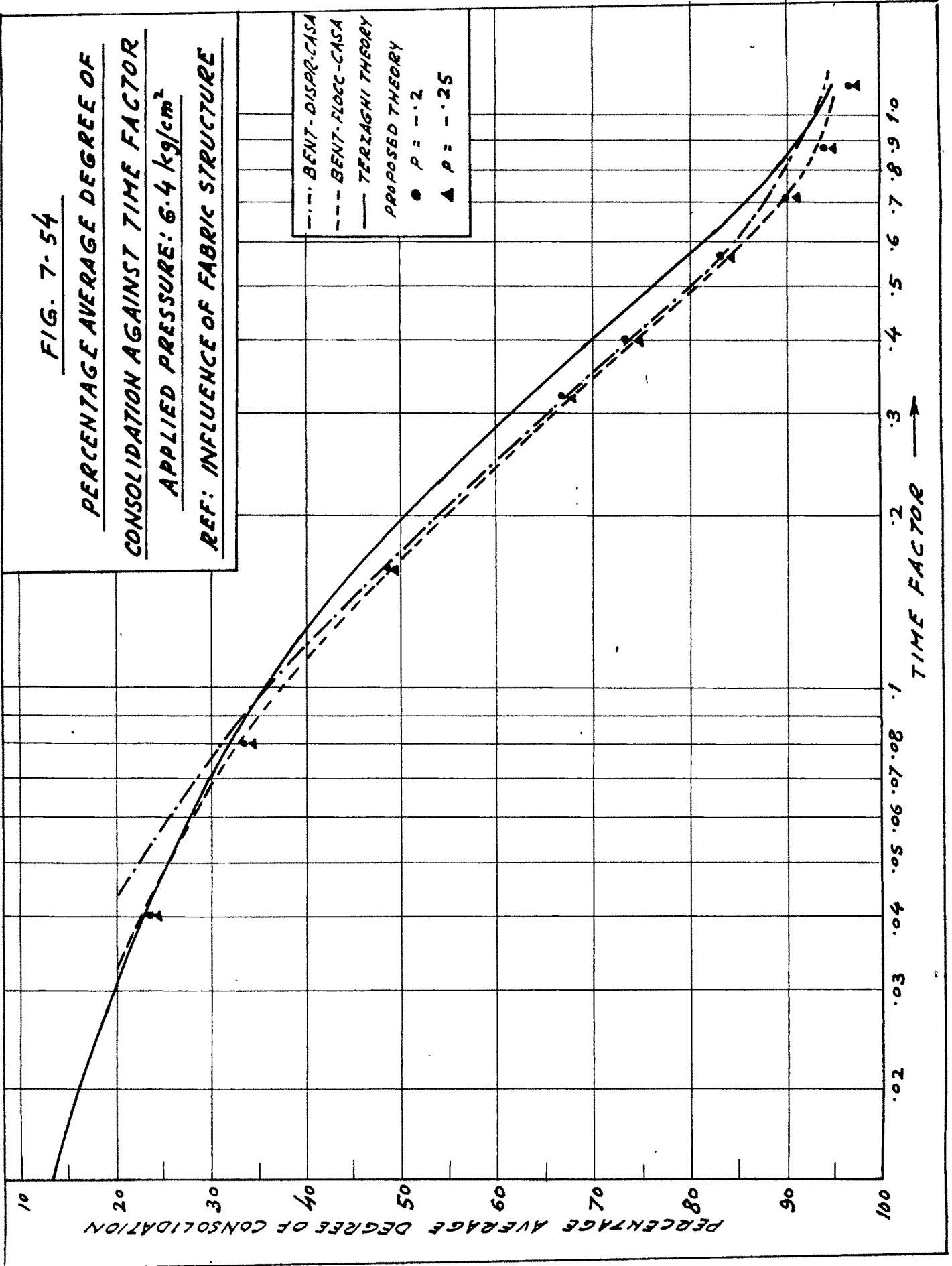


FIG. 7-55
PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 1.6 kg/cm²
REF: INFLUENCE OF FABRIC STRUCTURE

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR →

--- BENT-Dispr-Rowe
 -.-.- BENT-FLOCC-Rowe
 — TERZAGHI THEORY
 P = 0
 • P = -.25
 ▲ P = -.3

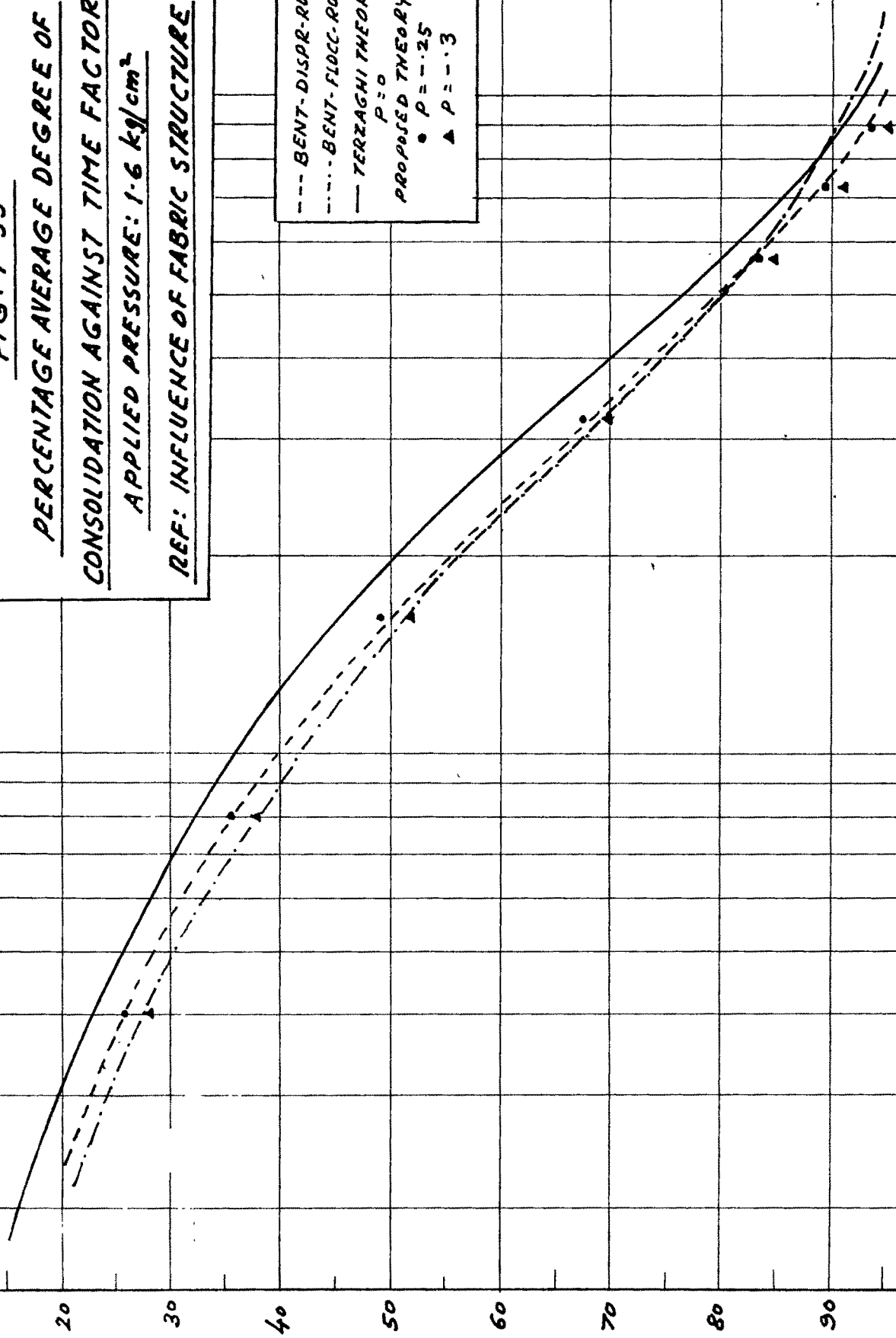


FIG. 7-56

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.8 kg/cm^2
REF: INFLUENCE OF FABRIC STRUCTURE

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR →

--- BENT-DISPR-ROWE
-.-.- BENT-FLOCC-ROWE
— TERZAGHI THEORY
 $p = 0$
PROPOSED THEORY
● $p = -.2$
▲ $p = -.4$

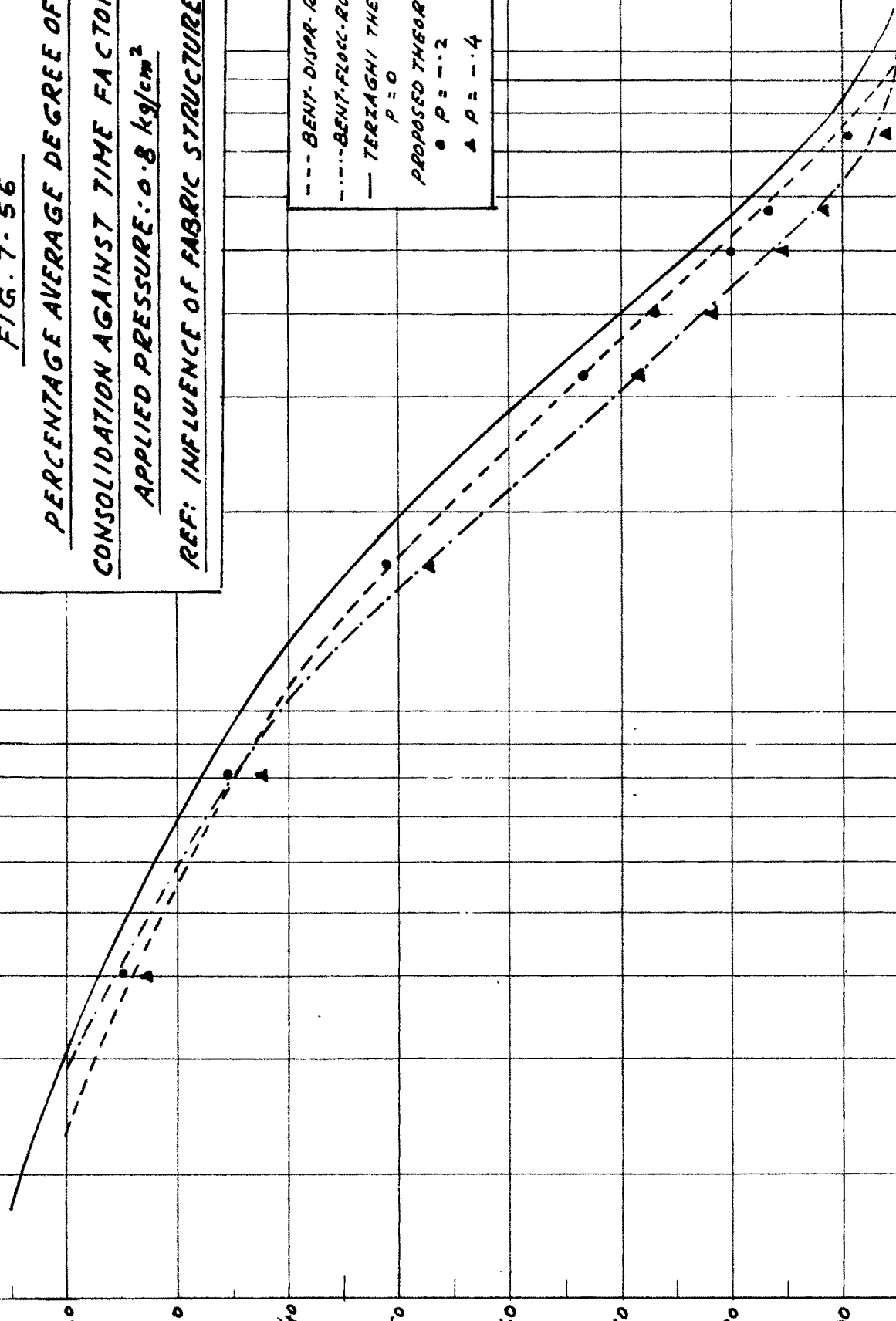


FIG. 7-57

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.4 kg/cm^2
REF: INFLUENCE OF FABRIC STRUCTURE

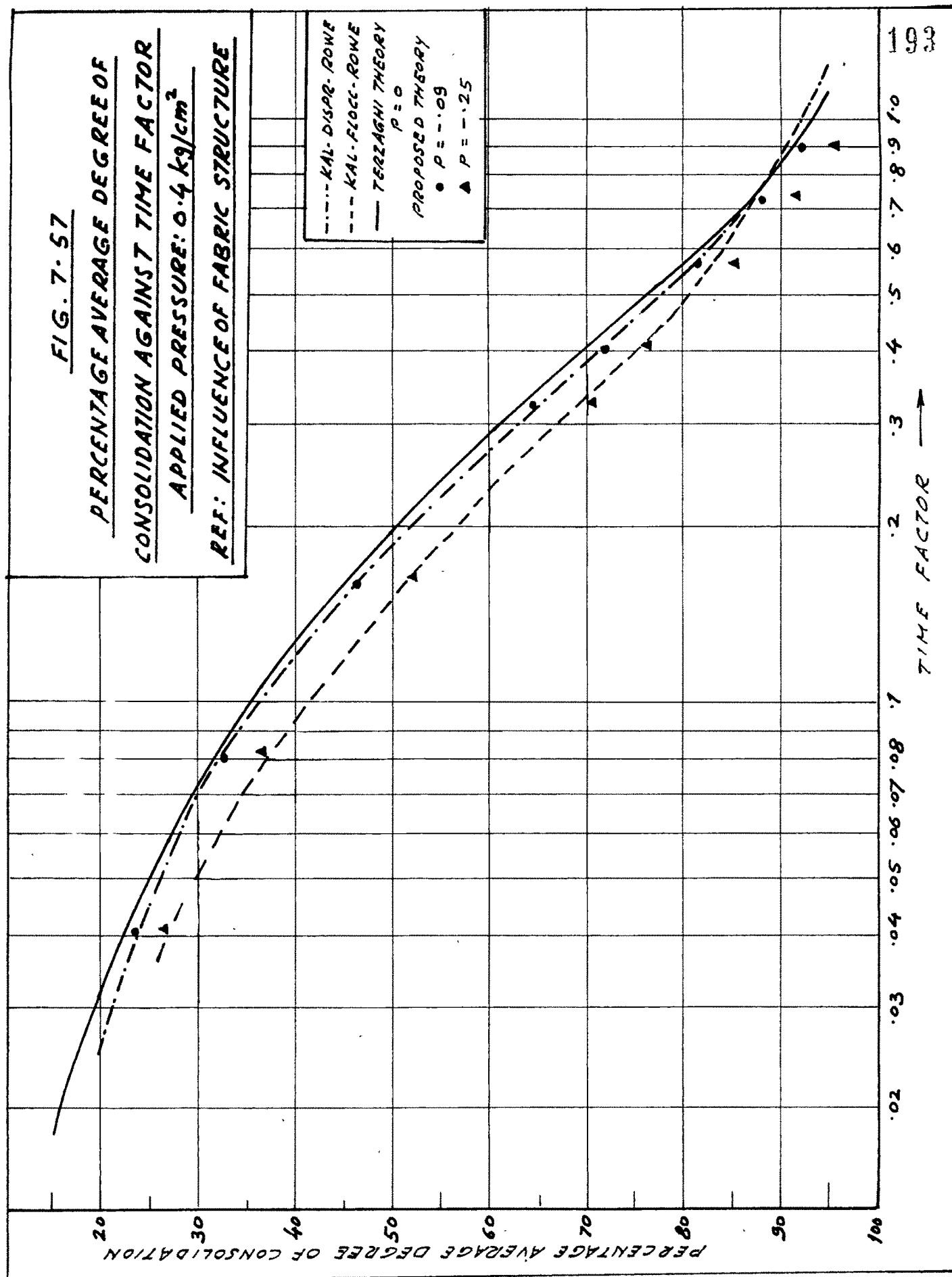


FIG. 7-58

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.8 kg/cm²
REF: INFLUENCE OF FABRIC STRUCTURE

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

100

90

80

70

60

50

40

30

20

TIME FACTOR →

--- KAL-FLOCC-ROWE
--- KAL-DISP-ROWE
--- TERZAGHI THEORY
P = 0
PROPOSED THEORY
● P = -0.15
▲ P = +0.1

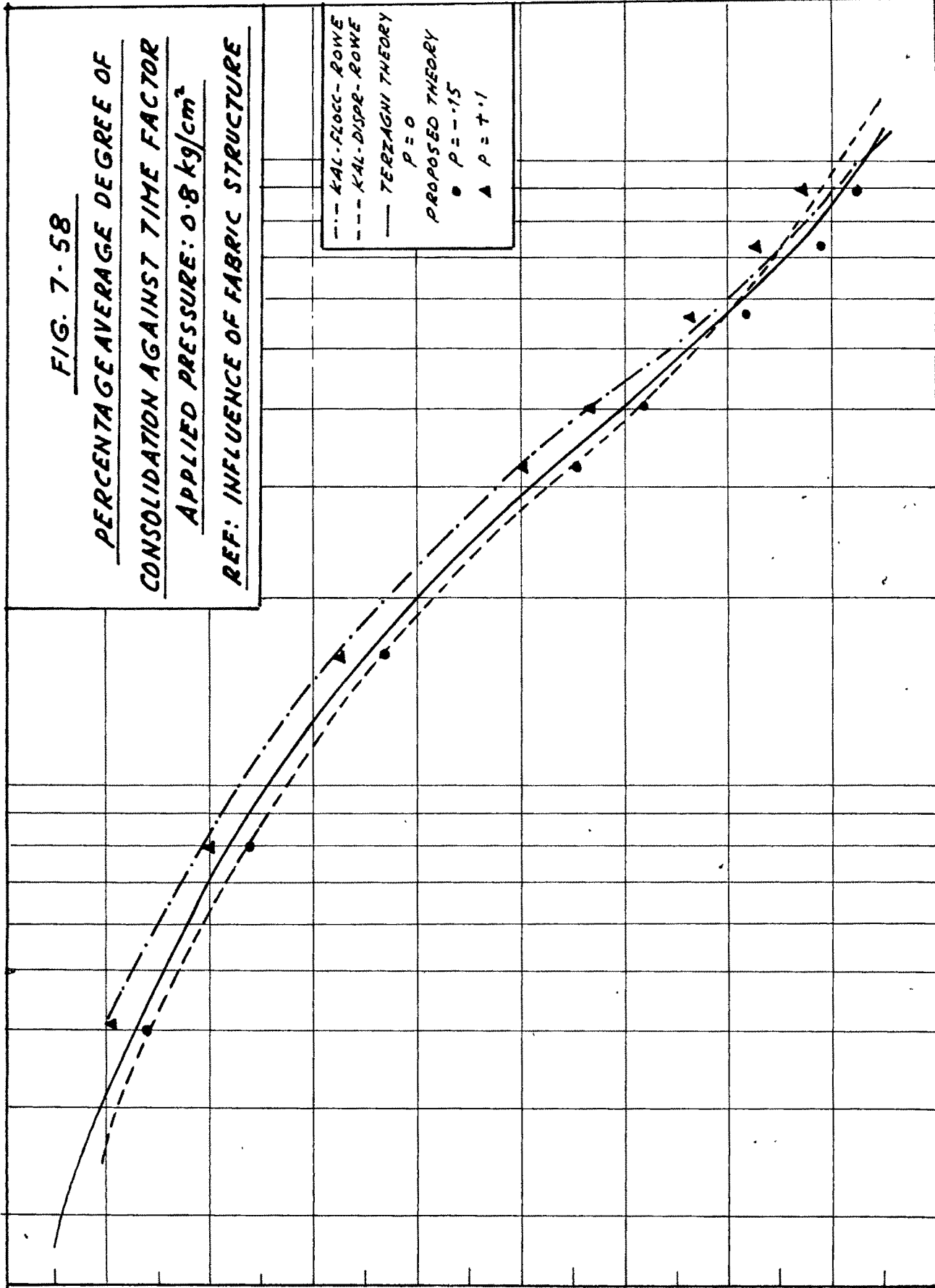


FIG. 7-59

PERCENTAGE MIDPLANE CONSOLIDATION

AGAINST TIME FACTOR

APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.4 kg/cm^2

REF: INFLUENCE OF FABRIC STRUCTURE

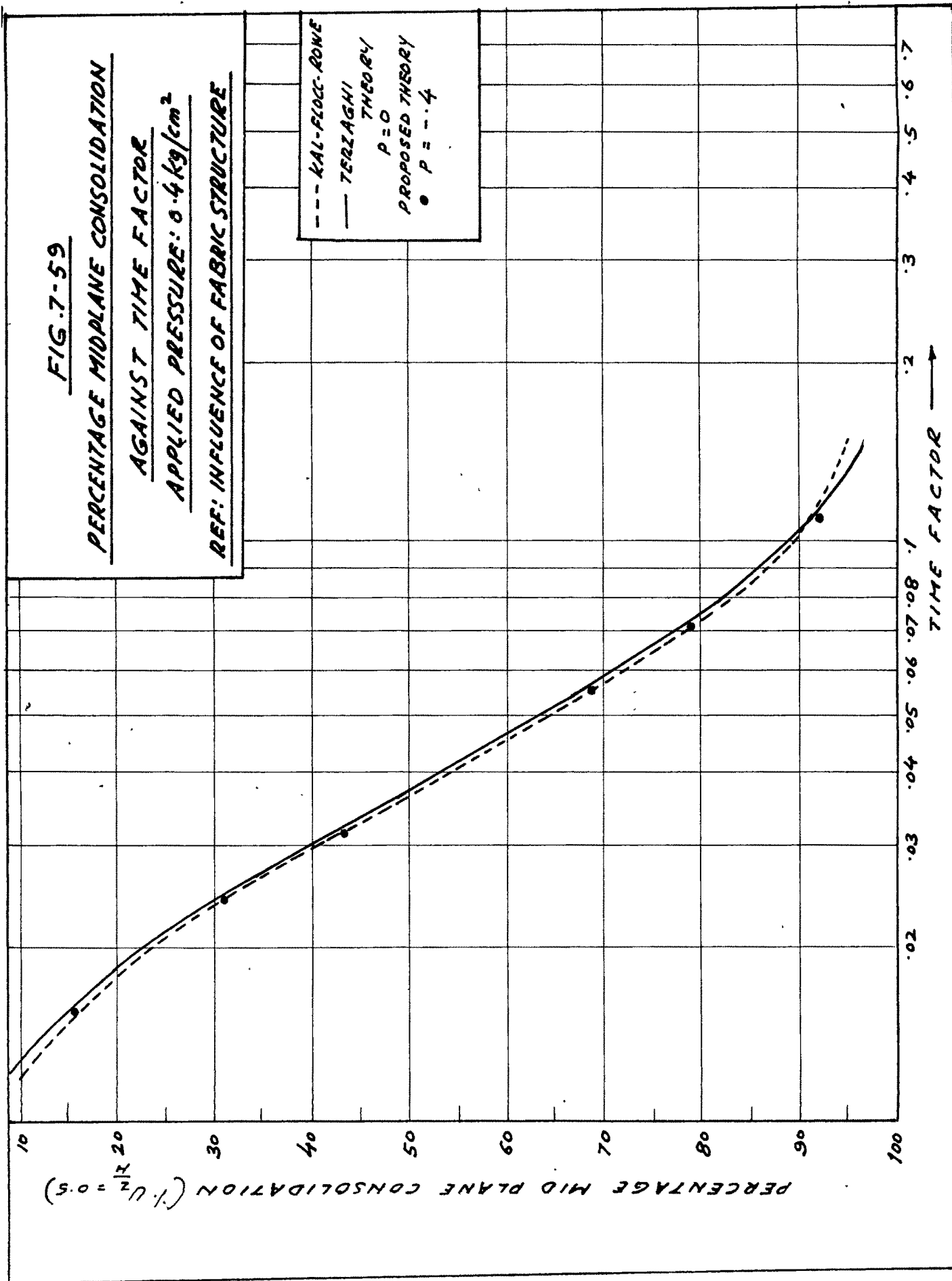


FIG. 7-60

PERCENTAGE MIDPLANE CONSOLIDATION

AGAINST TIME FACTOR

APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.4 kg/cm^2

REF: INFLUENCE OF FABRIC STRUCTURE

--- KAL-DISPER-ROWE
 — TERZAGHI THEORY
 $P = 0$
 PROPOSED THEORY
 • $P = -0.2$

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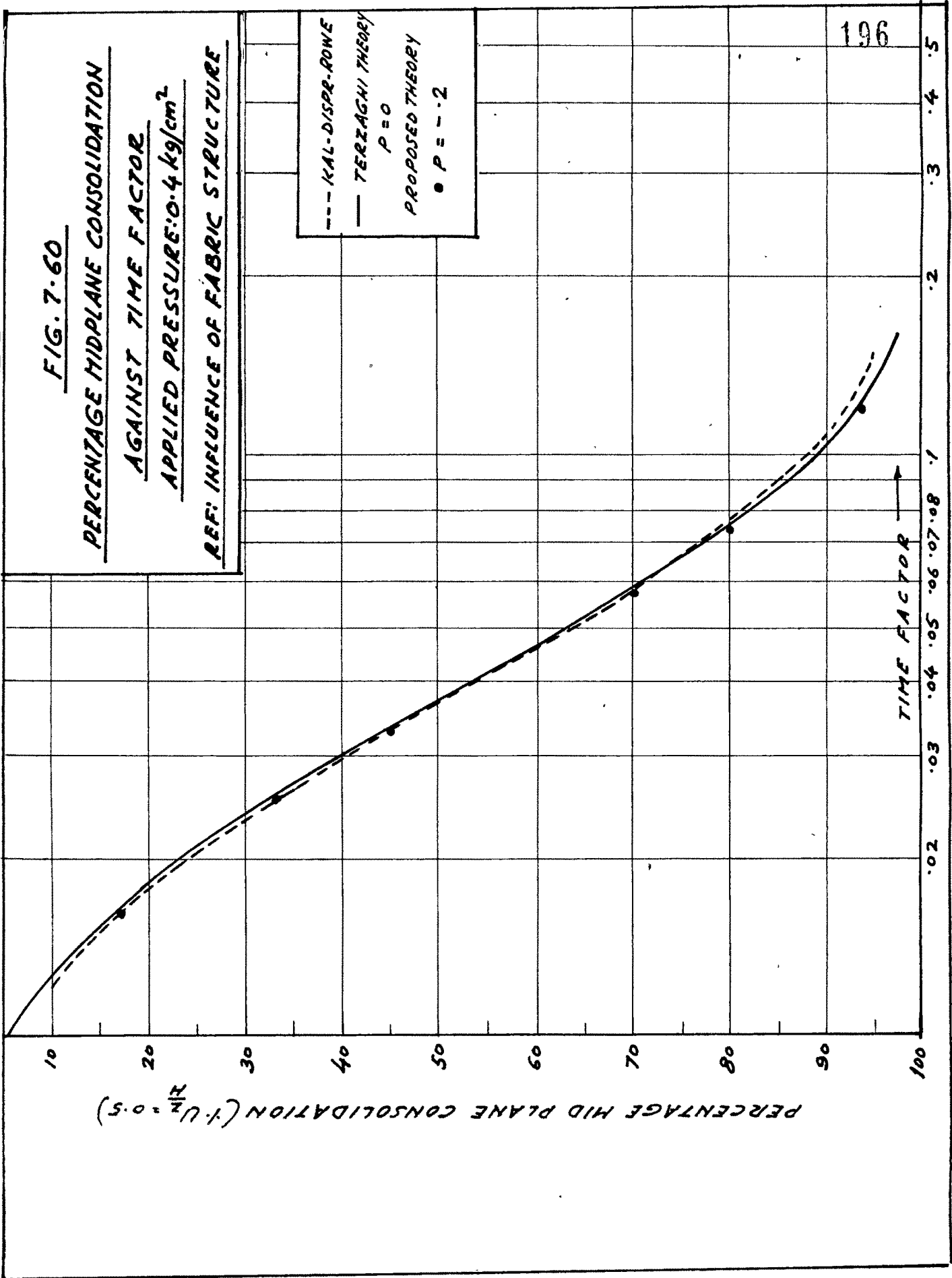


FIG. 7-61

PERCENTAGE MID PLANE CONSOLIDATION

AGAINST TIME FACTOR

APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.8 kg/cm^2

REF: INFLUENCE OF FABRIC STRUCTURE

PERCENTAGE MID PLANE CONSOLIDATION ($\% U_{z=0.5}$)

TIME FACTOR →

--- BENT-FLOCC. ROWE
 — TERTAGNI THEORY
 $P = 0$
 PROPOSED THEORY
 $P = -.7$

197

5

4

3

2

1.0

.9

.8

.7

.6

.5

.4

.3

.2

.1

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FIG. 7-62

PERCENTAGE MIDPLANE CONSOLIDATION

AGAINST TIME FACTOR

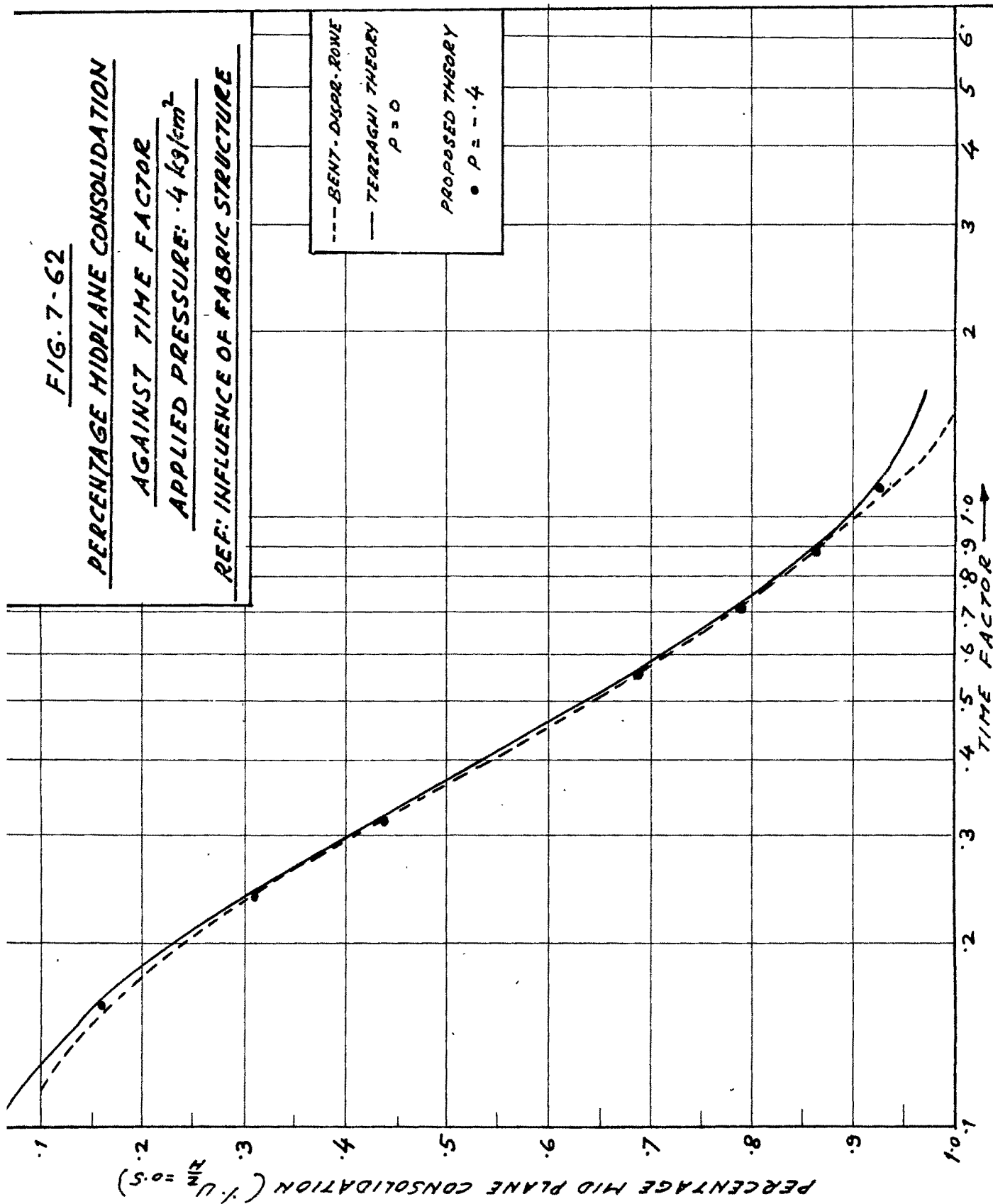
APPLIED PRESSURE: 4 kg/cm^2

REF: INFLUENCE OF FABRIC STRUCTURE

--- BENT-DAVEY-ROWE

— TERZAGHI THEORY
 $\rho = 0$

PROPOSED THEORY
• $\rho = -0.4$



curve indicates that for dispersed clays it lies nearer to the classical curve, while for flocculated clays it falls a little farther away from it. The overall effect of either the dispersing agent or the flocculating agent is not seen to be prominent. The deviations for flocculated kaolinite and Bentonite are 2.2% and 4.5% respectively whereas for dispersed kaolinite and Bentonite the deviations are 1% and 5.5%. At higher loads the trend is to move towards the Terzaghi classical curve. Experimental plots based on mid plane pore pressure measurement show very little deviation with the Terzaghi theory and fit exactly with relevant P values.

Discussion :

The explanation to the various observed characteristics as a result of flocculation and dispersion in clays can be derived from link bond considerations. In developed flocculated structure 'edge to surface' or 'edge to edge', the proximity of link bonds is more prominent. When a load is applied over this structure, some resistance is offered by this link bonds and load has to overcome the edge to face or edge to edge attraction to alter the packing geometry. During this resistance deformation can be regarded in the stage of 'Microcompressibility' and specific deformation can be expressed as a slow decay. As soon as local breakdown commences, the initial

resistance to compression diminishes and the rate of consolidation will increase to some extent. Progressive deformation can be visualised as 'Macrocompressibility' in which the deformation is caused by sliding and lifting of plate shaped particles with the further breaking up of link bonds and pressing out of the pore water. At these stage it reaches a semioriented equilibrium position altering the initial packing geometry, which loosens the 'interfacial grip' of adsorbed water at links of plate-shaped particle. This 'Microcompressibility' and 'interfacial grip' at links of plate shaped clay particles have no relevance under high engineering stresses thereby exhibiting very little initial resistance to compression. In a initially dispersed developed structure sample at liquid limit has a random oriented structure with semiparallel alignment of plate-shaped particles, but not in close proximity. Hence under light loading some resistance to compression is mobilized from both the structural matrix and the interaction of forces due to 'interfacial tension' between adsorbed and free pore water as described by Rosenquist (1959). Further application of load will cause a decrease in the particle spacing accompanied by some reorientation of particles reaching a state of more or less 'face to face' configuration. Therefore, under higher applied loads, it has little effect on

rate of consolidation. It can be inferred that 'Micro-compressibility' is decreasing from flocculent to dispersed structure. Its effect on rate of consolidation is also reducing from lighter loads to higher loads.

In flocculated Bentonite clay, due to the somewhat stronger link bond sometime for breakdown is required than for flocculated kaolinite clay which gives relatively much lower values of C_v at any percentage of consolidation. The high order of floc units in random orientation of Bentonite at liquid limit makes dispersing chemical not much effective, though C_v value is seen to increase upto some percentage of consolidation after which C_v either remains constant or decreases. It can be argued that dispersing agent is effective only in changing the random arrangement of particles in individual floc to semioriented arrangement leading to a decrease in the value of C_v with the increase in the pressure.

The resistance during microcompressibility occurring under light loads in flocculated clays is clearly reflected in the void ratio-effective pressure relationship and compression index against average effective pressure curve. The distinct characteristic revealed in flocculated Bentonite clay is the evidence of pronounced resistance. An almost contrary behaviour in dispersed clays is due to practically no resistance, the deformation being thus of only

microcompressibility nature. The higher degree of secondary compression in flocculated clays under lighter loads can be expected as there can be a possibility of further orientation of the structure as the compression proceeds. On the other hand in a dispersed structure the nonflocculated orientation does not have strong bonds as expected in flocculated structure. It is, therefore, possible to reach 100% consolidation much earlier than would be the case for initially flocculated structure. On the same background it can be argued that the dispersing agent tones down the effect of the physico-chemical forces while flocculating agent activates these forces. This offers the explanation to the observation that the behaviour of the remoulded samples in which structure is expected to be dispersed fits well with the Terzaghi theory while the larger deviation in flocculated clays is due to activation of physico-chemical forces ignored in the classical theory.

7.3.3. Degree of Saturation

Refer Figures 7.63 to 7.80 which are produced from the parent plots of Figures H.55 to H.76 reported in Appendix H of Volume II.

Analysis :

- (i) Co-efficient of consolidation against percentage degree of consolidation.
(Figures 7.63 to 7.67)

In the kaolinite and Bentonite samples compacted either at

FIG. 7-63

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION

REF: INFLUENCE OF DEGREE OF SATURATION

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN²/HRT.

(a)

KAL - DRY OMC -
CASA

▲ 6.4 kg/cm²

✱ 3.2 kg/cm²

(b)

KAL - NEAR OMC - CASA

● 6.4 kg/cm²

■ 0.2 kg/cm²

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PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION (U)

100

90

80

70

60

50

40

30

20

10

.007

.006

.005

.004

.003

.002

.003

.002

.001

FIG. 7-64

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION

REF: INFLUENCE OF DEGREE OF SATURATION

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN²/MIN.

KAL-WETONG-CASA

- 0.2 kg/cm²
- 1.6 kg/cm²
- ▲— 6.4 kg/cm²

100

90

80

70

60

50

40

30

20

10

PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION (U)

FIG. 7-65

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION

REF: INFLUENCE OF DEGREE OF SATURATION

BENT-DRY OMC-
CASA

—●— 1 kg/cm²

—▲— 8 kg/cm²

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN²/HRT.

PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION (U).

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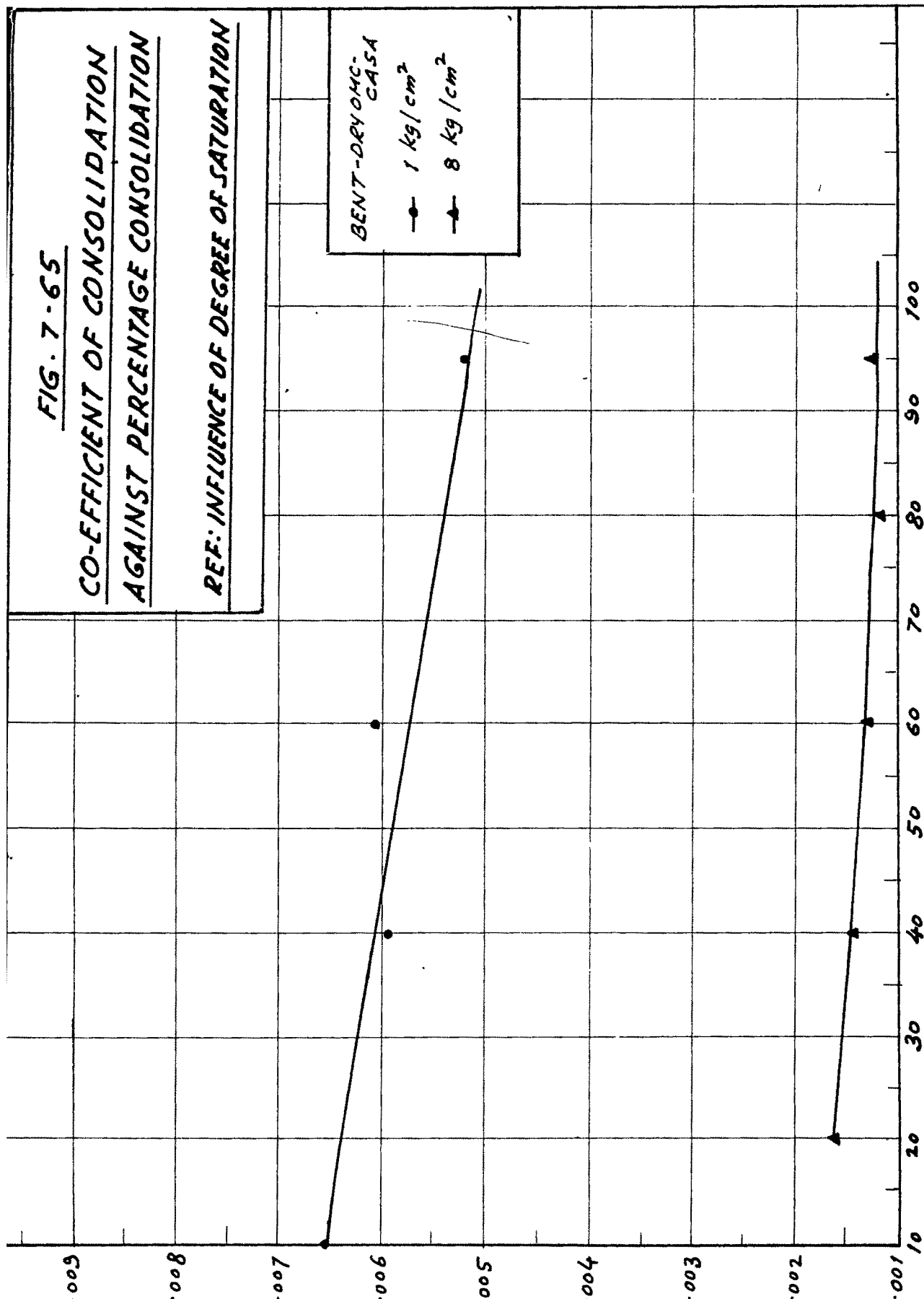


FIG. 7-66

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION

REF: INFLUENCE OF DEGREE OF SATURATION

BENT-OMC-CASA

—●— 2 kg/cm²

—▲— 8 kg/cm²

0.0016

0.0014

0.0012

0.0010

0.0008

0.0006

0.0004

0.0002

0

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN.²/HRT.

10

20

30

40

50

60

70

80

90

100

PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION (U)

FIG. 7-67

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION

REF: INFLUENCE OF DEGREE OF SATURATION

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN²/MIN.

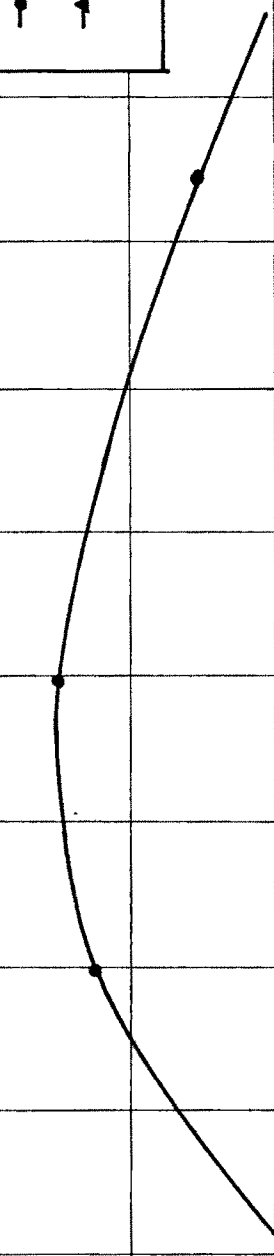
BENT - WET OMC-
CASA
—●— 1 kg/cm²
—▲— 8 kg/cm²

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PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION (U)

0.008
0.007
0.006
0.005
0.004
0.003
0.002
0.001
0

10 20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90 100



near OMC or at dry side of OMC the rate of consolidation is seen to be slightly decreasing eventually flattening to a constant value. No consolidation is noticed upto 1.6 kg/cm^2 for samples compacted at dry side of OMC. The characteristics of kaolinite and Bentonite compacted at wet side of OMC are similar showing initially an increase and then a decrease in the rate of consolidation tailing out to a constant value under light loads. The rate of consolidation at higher loads remains constant throughout the process of consolidation.

(ii) Co-efficient of consolidation against applied effective pressure.

(Figures 7.68 to 7.69).

Kaolinite sample shows a slight increase in the value of co-efficient of consolidation whereas Bentonite sample shows a continuous decrease irrespective of the moulding water content. The rate of consolidation increases in the order of samples compacted at wet side of OMC, at near OMC and at dry side of OMC.

(iii) Compression index against applied average effective pressure.

(Figure 7.70 and 7.71).

It is evident from the experimental curve that both kaolinite and Bentonite clays represent a same family, the former depicting a flatter curves while the later steeper curves. At higher average effective pressure both show a

FIG. 7-68

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE

REF: INFLUENCE OF DEGREE OF SATURATION

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN²/MINT.

• KAL-DRY OMC -
CASA
 ▲ KAL-OMC - CASA
 ■ KAL-WET OMC -
CASA

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APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm^2 (T/ft^2)

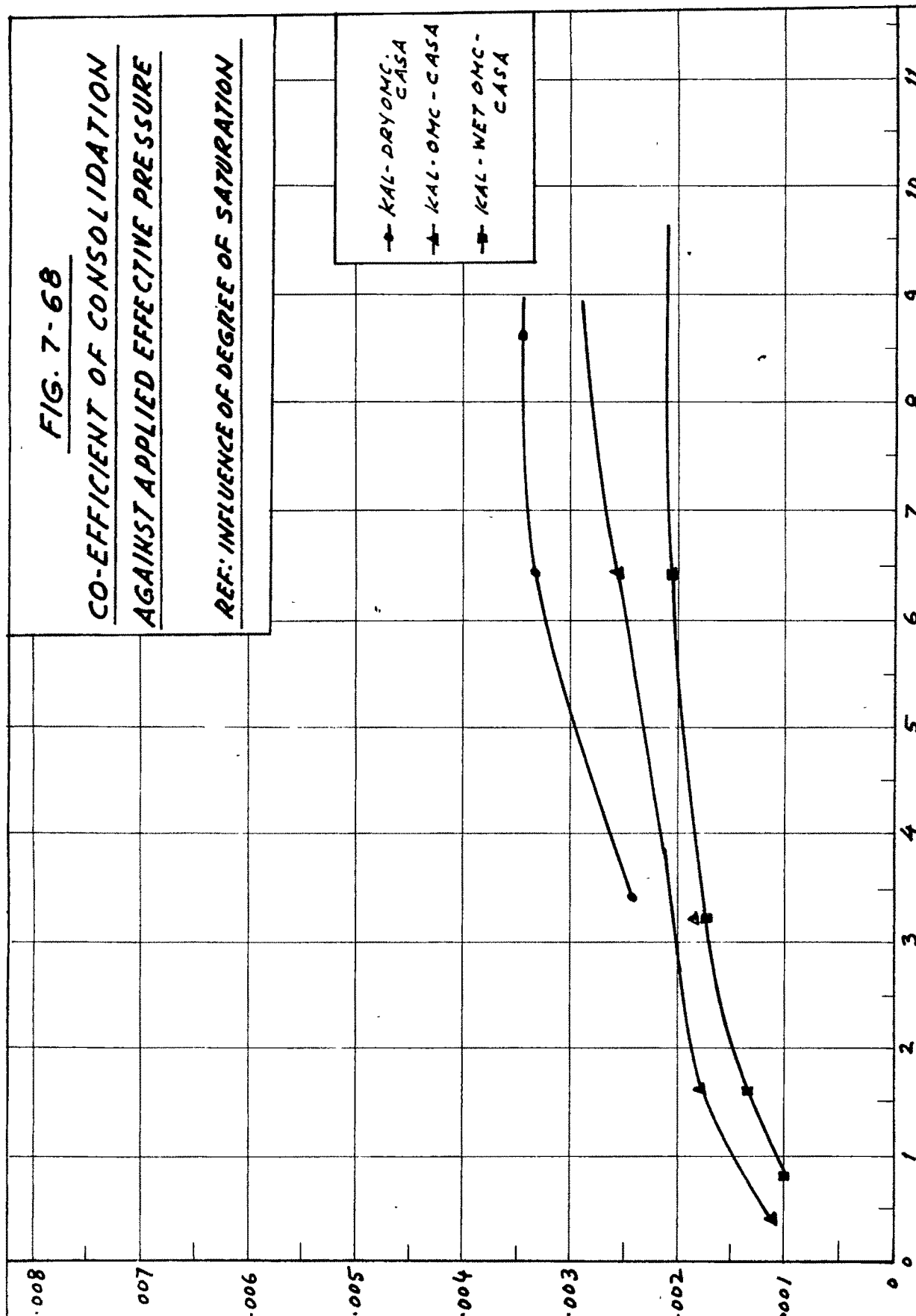


FIG. 7-69

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE

REF: INFLUENCE OF DEGREE OF SATURATION

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN²/MNT

APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm^2 (τ/ft^2)

- BENT-DRY OMC-CASA
- ▲ BENT-OMC-CASA
- BENT-WET OMC-CASA

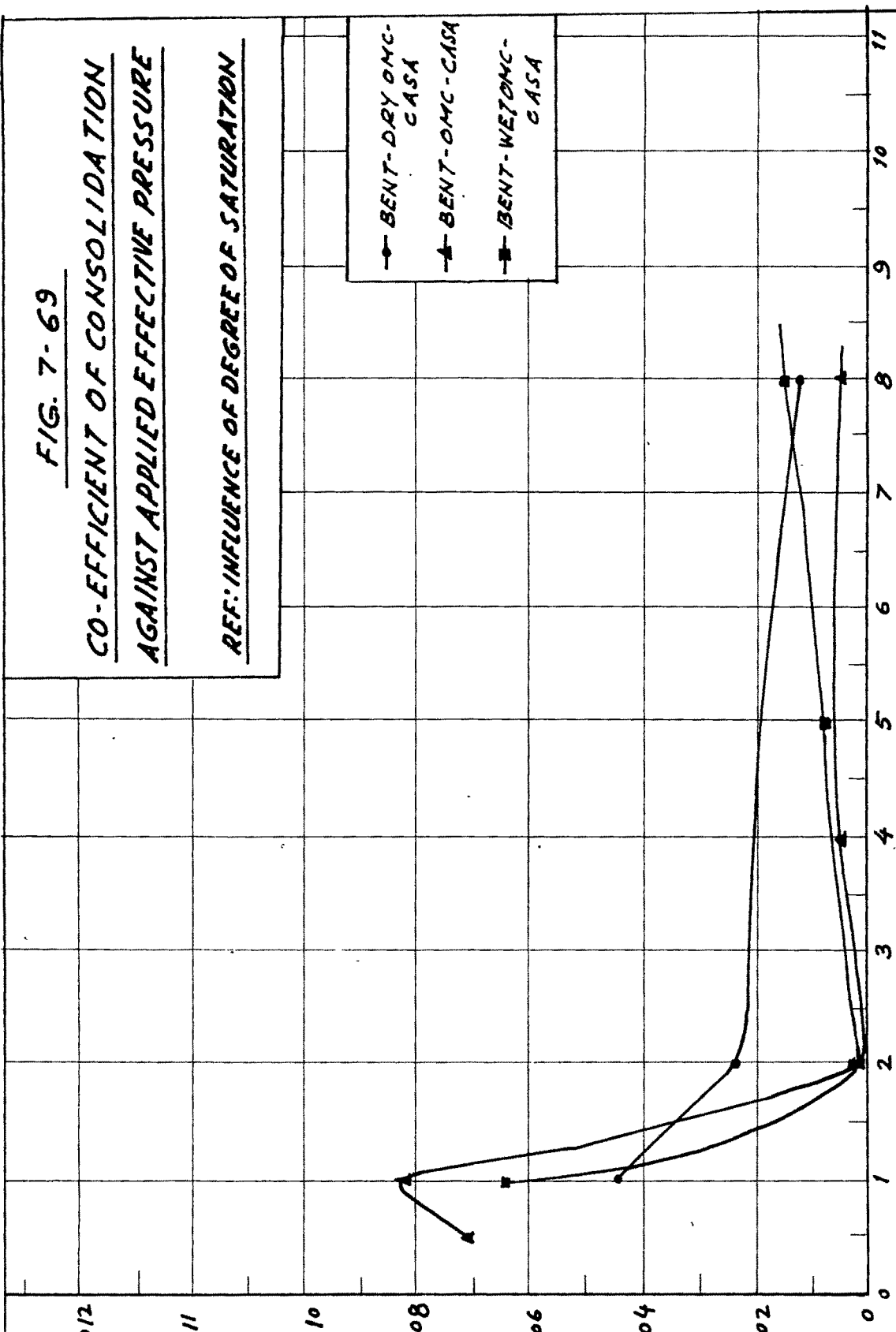


FIG. 7-70

COMPRESSION INDEX AGAINST

APPLIED AVERAGE EFFECTIVE

PRESSURE

REF: INFLUENCE OF DEGREE OF SATURATION

COMPRESSION INDEX (C_c)

- KAL-WET OMC
CASA
- ▲ KAL-OMC-CASA
- KAL-DRY OMC
CASA

APPLIED AVERAGE EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm^2

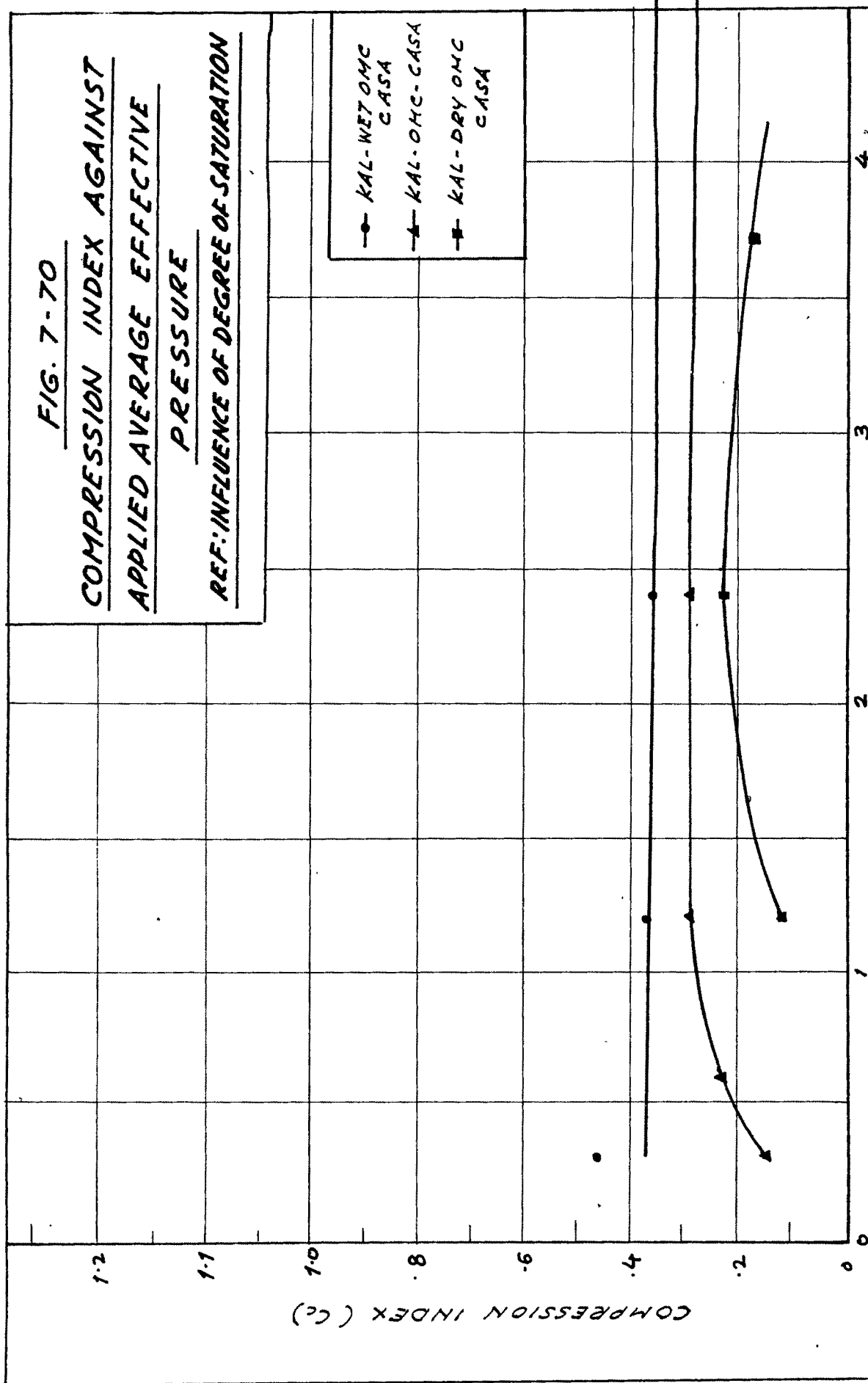


FIG. 7-71

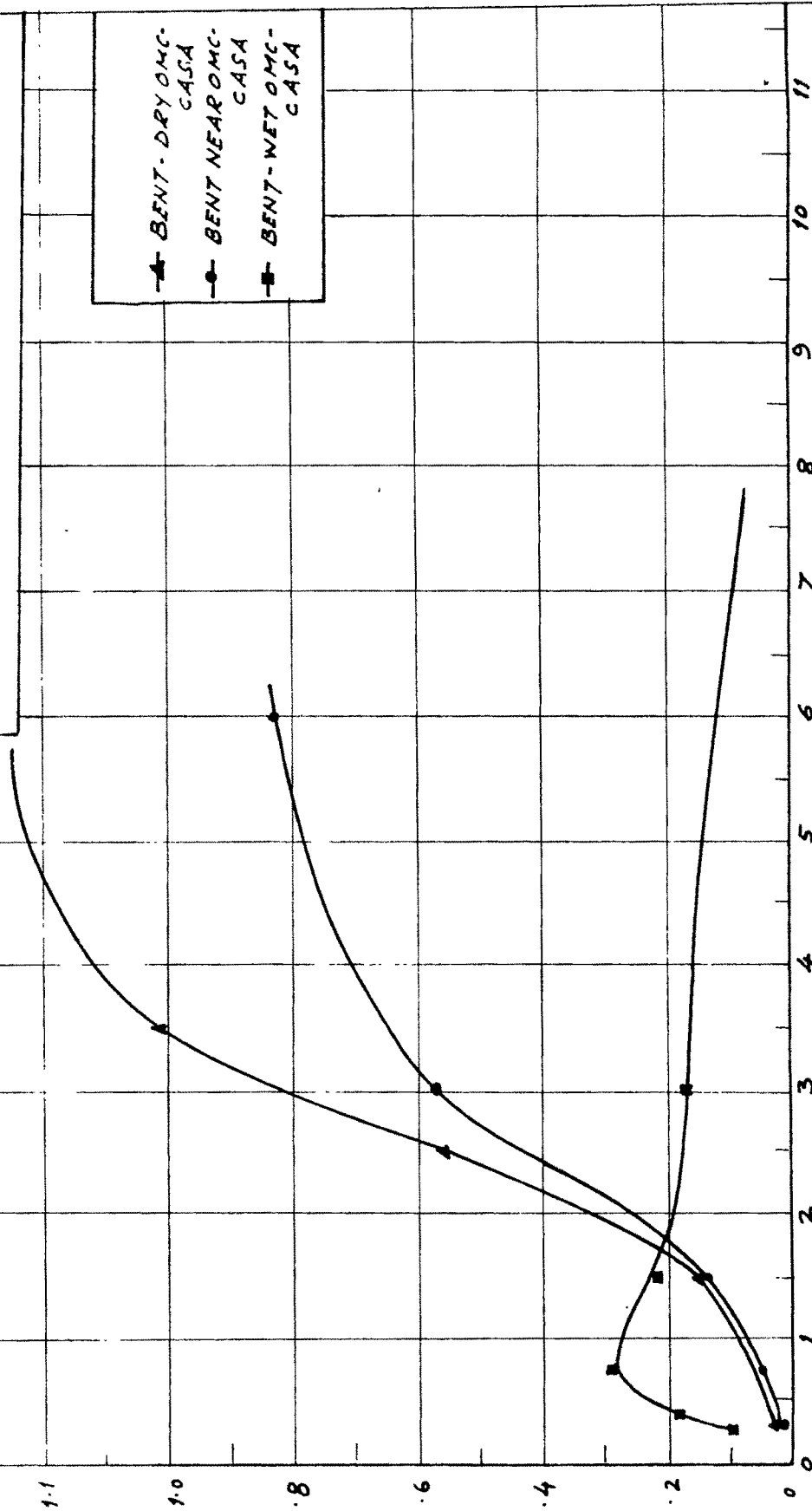
COMPRESSION INDEX AGAINST
APPLIED AVERAGE EFFECTIVE
PRESSURE

REF: INFLUENCE OF DEGREE OF SATURATION

COMPRESSION INDEX (C_c)

- ▲ BENT-DRY OMC-CASA
- BENT NEAR OMC-CASA
- BENT-WET OMC-CASA

APPLIED AVERAGE EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm^2 (T/ft^2)



constant compression index.

- (iv) Degree of secondary compression against applied effective pressure.

(Figure 7.72 and 7.73).

General tendencies of curves indicate decrease of secondary compression with the increase of pressure in both the clays. In kaolinite and Bentonite samples compacted dry side of OMC show more secondary compression than in the other two cases. In kaolinite the secondary compression shows the following ascending order : sample at wet of OMC side, near OMC, and dry of OMC side, while in Bentonite, secondary compression for near OMC sample and wet side OMC sample shows more or less the same amount of secondary compression.

- (v) Parameter 'P' versus applied effective pressure.

(Figure 7.74 and Figures 7.75 to 7.80)

Sample at dry side of OMC and samples at near OMC and wet side of OMC lie on opposite side of the Terzaghi curve in both the clays. Kaolinite at dry side of OMC, wet of OMC and at near OMC show 1.9%, 1.5% and 5.25% deviation from Terzaghi theory. Wet of OMC kaolinite sample fits nearer to the Terzaghi curve than the sample at OMC and the sample at dry of OMC side. Bentonite sample falls comparatively away from Terzaghi than kaolinite. Bentonite clay samples at OMC, wet side of OMC and dry side of OMC show 5%, 2.5% and 3% deviations.

FIG. 7-72

PERCENTAGE SECONDARY COMPRESSION
AGAINST APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE

REF: INFLUENCE OF DEGREE OF SATURATION

PERCENTAGE SECONDARY COMPRESSION

APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm^2 (T/ft^2)

- KAL-DRY OMC-CASA
- KAL-NEAR OMC-CASA
- ▲ KAL-WET OMC-CASA

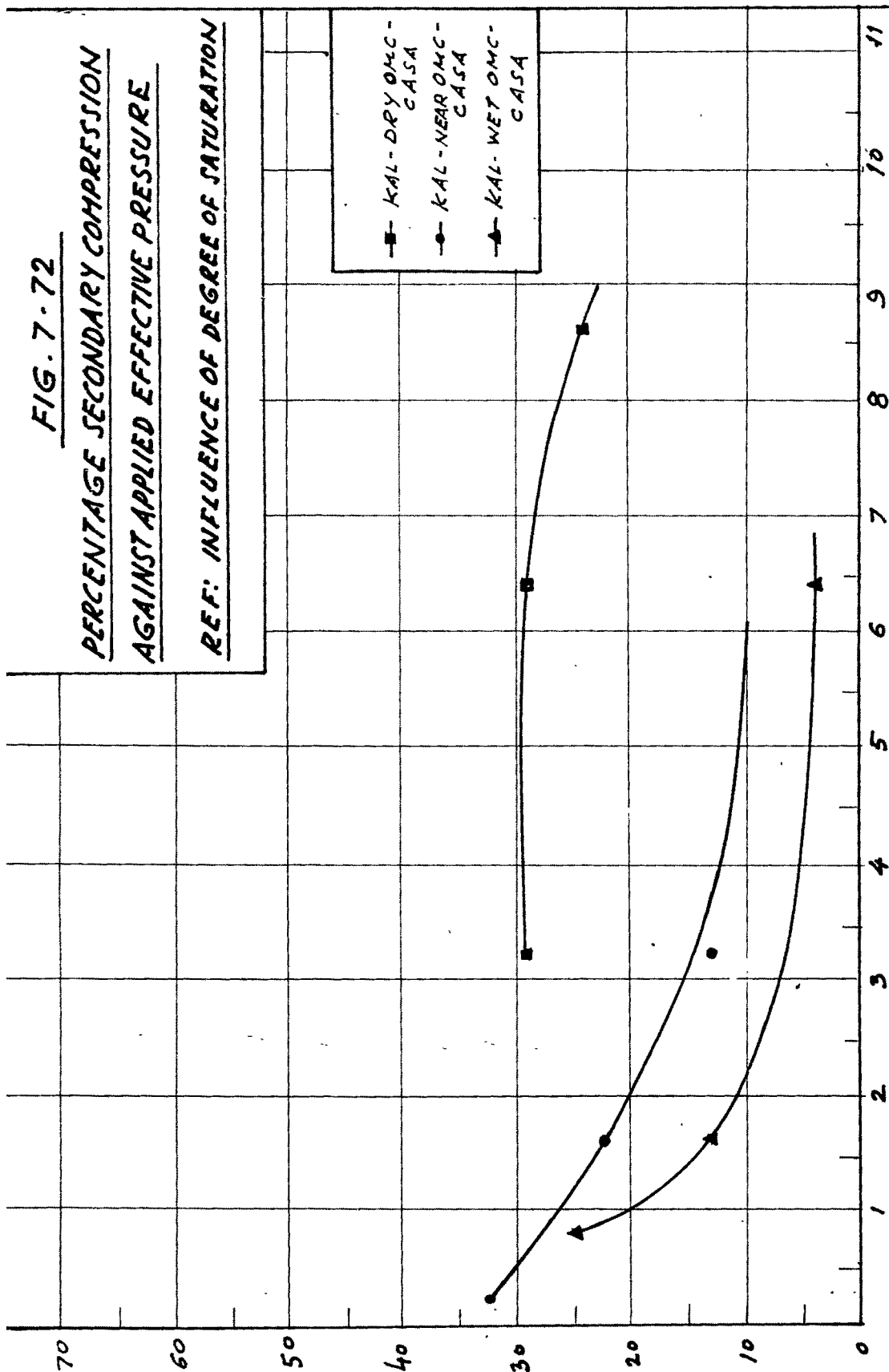


FIG. 7-73

PERCENTAGE SECONDARY COMPRESSION
AGAINST APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE

REF: INFLUENCE OF DEGREE OF SATURATION

PERCENTAGE SECONDARY COMPRESSION

- BENT-DRY OMC-CASA
- ▲ BENT-WET OMC-CASA
- BENT NEAR OMC-CASA

APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm^2

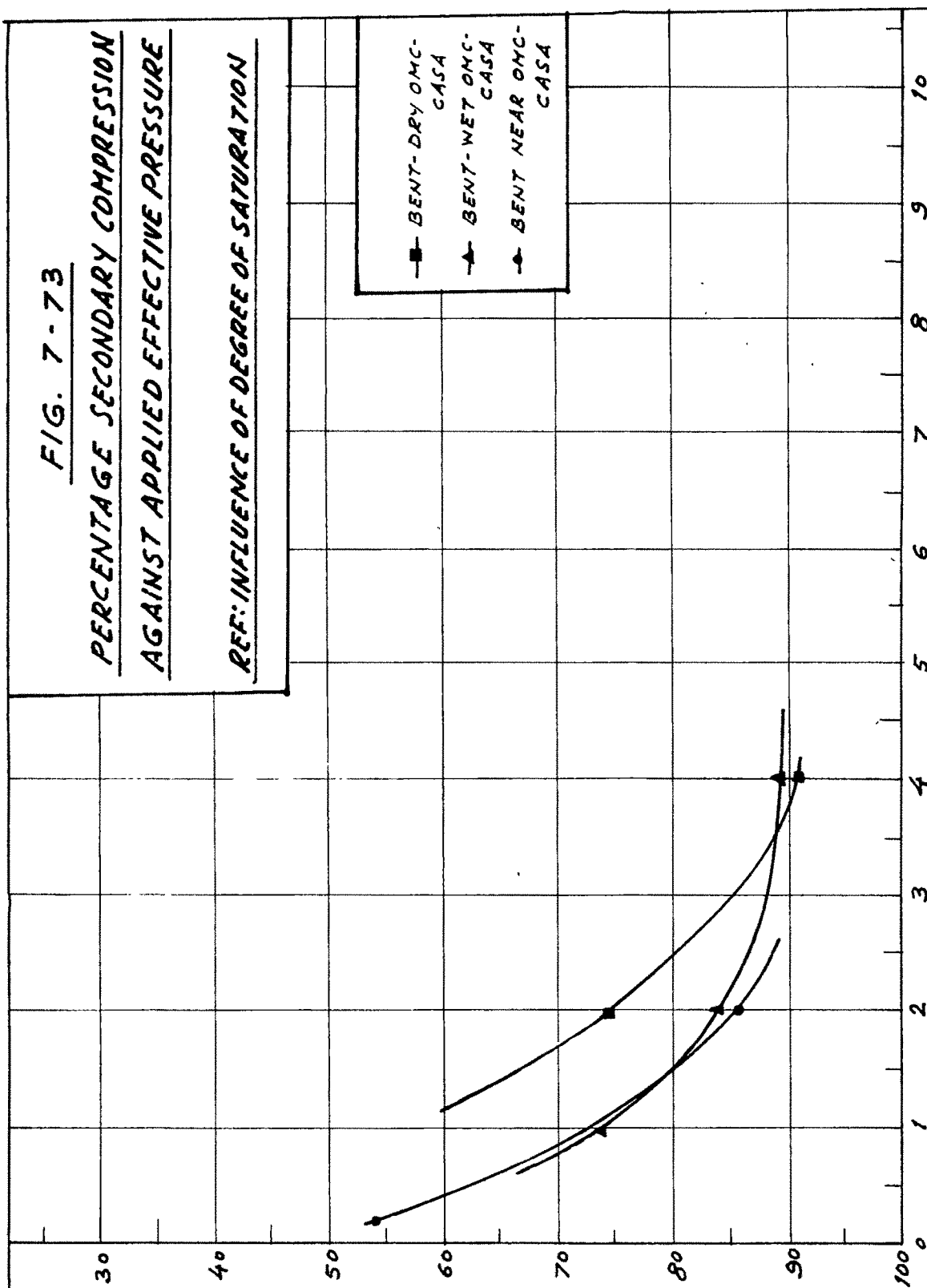
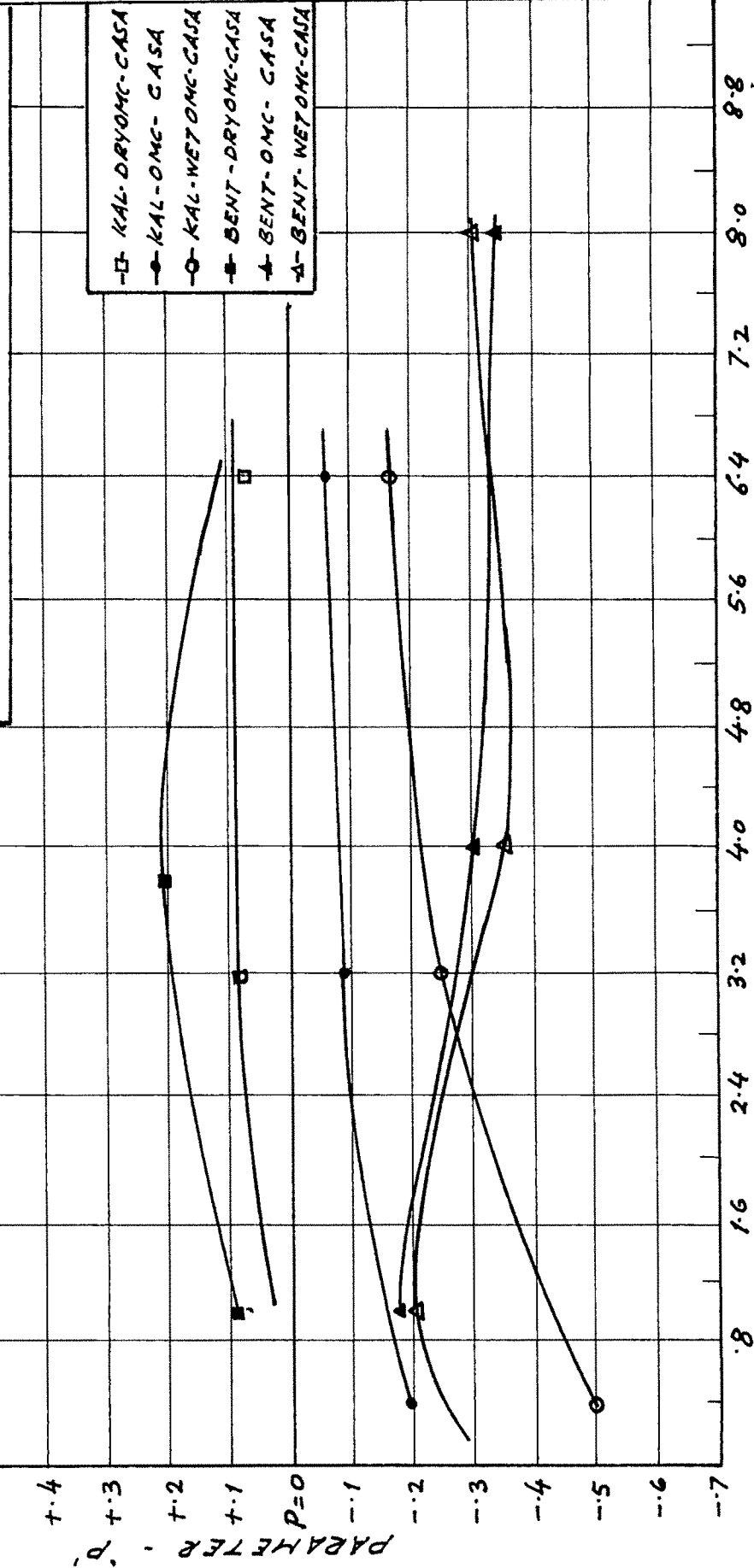


FIG. 7-74

PARAMETER 'P' AGAINST
APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE

REF: INFLUENCE OF DEGREE OF SATURATION



APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm²

FIG. 7.7. 75

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.4 kg/cm^2
REF: INFLUENCE OF DEGREE OF SATURATION

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

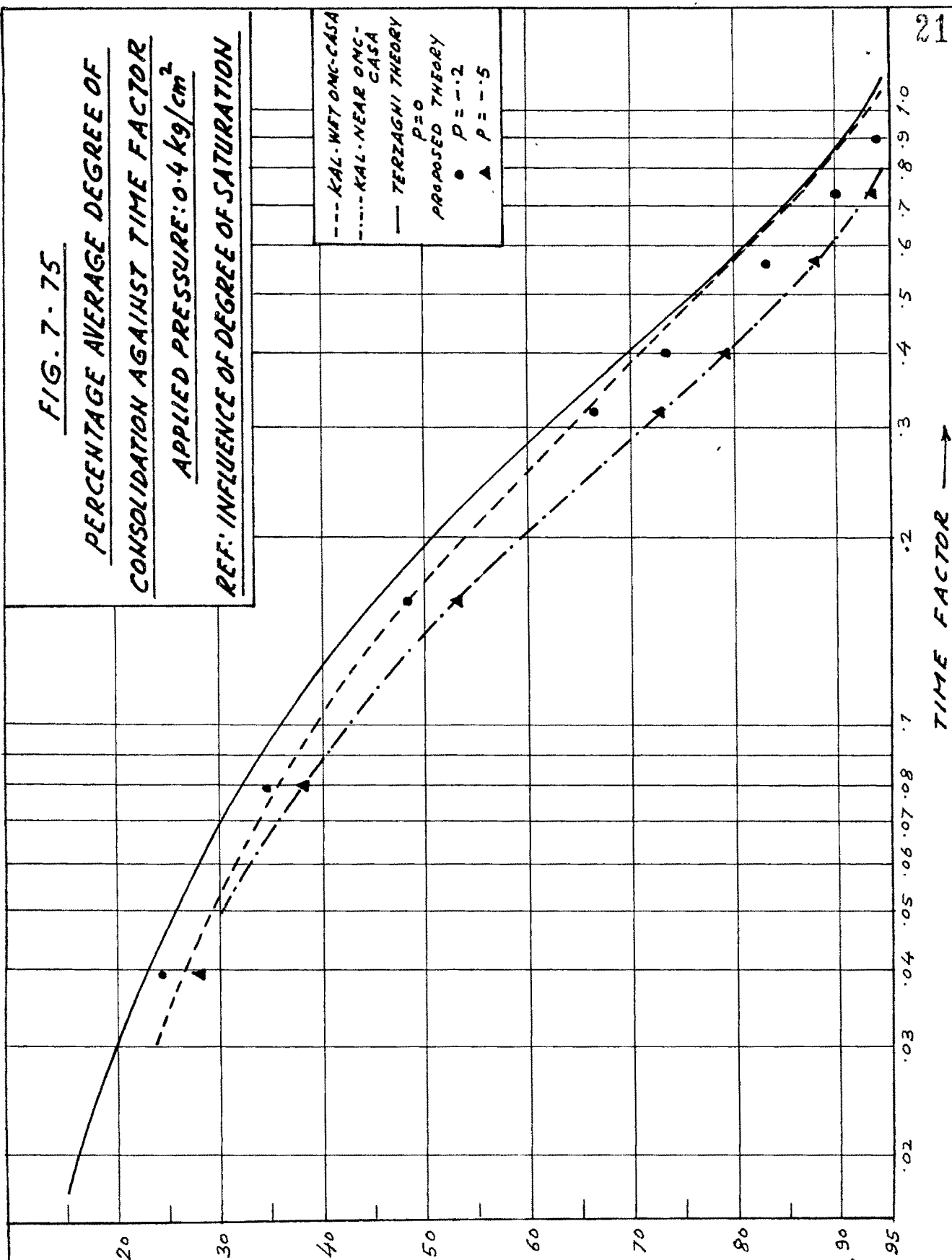


FIG. 7-76

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 3.2 kg/cm^2
REF: INFLUENCE OF DEGREE OF SATURATION

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

--- KAL-ARYOMC-CASA
--- KAL-WETOMC-CASA
--- KAL-NEAROMC-CASA
--- TERZAGHI THEORY
P=0
PROPOSED THEORY
● P=+.08
▲ P=-.09
■ P=-.25

TIME FACTOR

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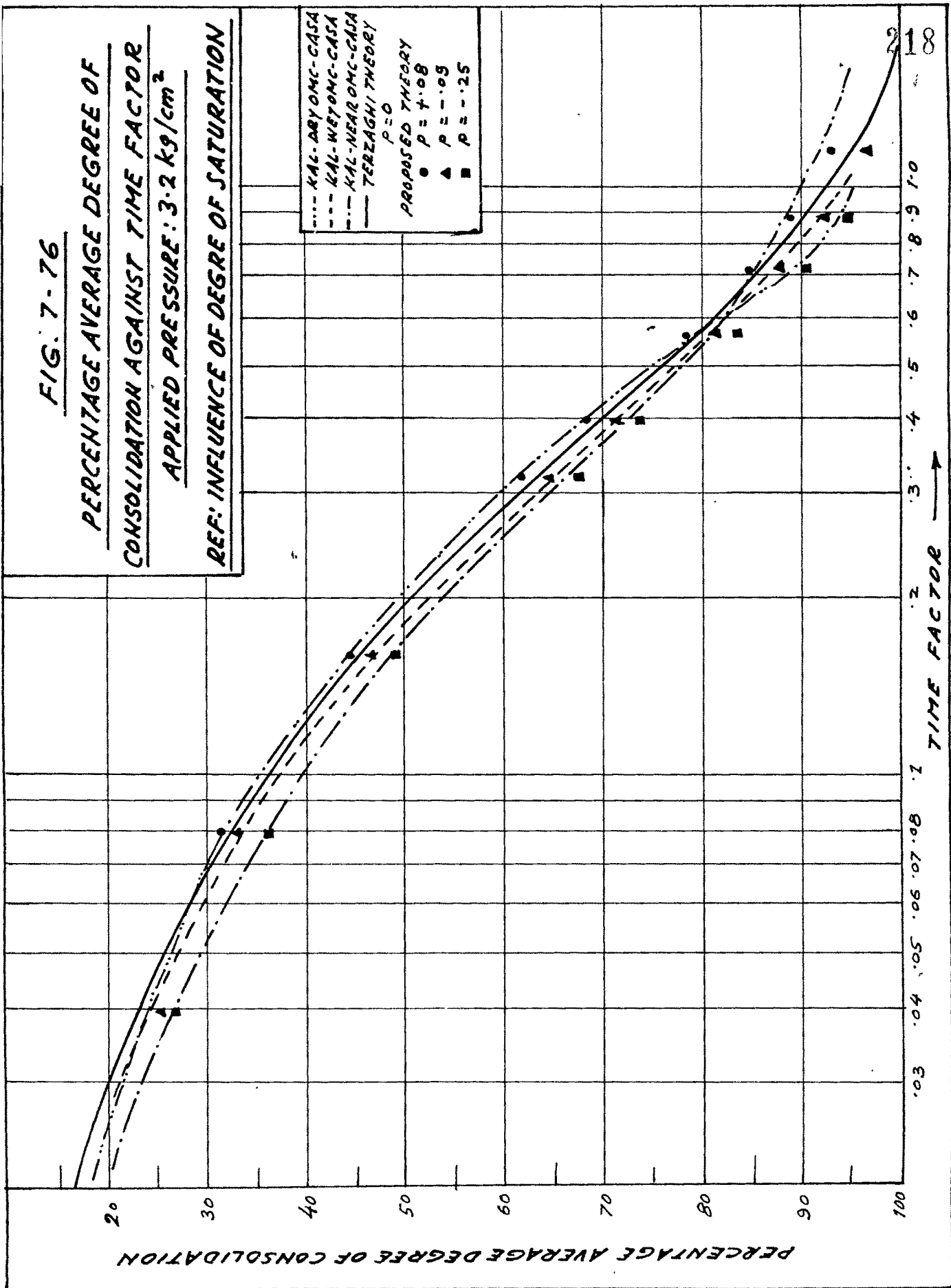


FIG. 7-77

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 6.4 kg/cm^2

REF: INFLUENCE OF DEGREE OF SATURATION

--- KAL-DRY OMC-CASA
--- KAL-WET OMC-CASA
--- KAL-NEAR OMC-CASA
— TERZAGHI THEORY
($P=0$)
PROPOSED THEORY
• $P = +.07$
▲ $P = -.05$
■ $P = -.27$

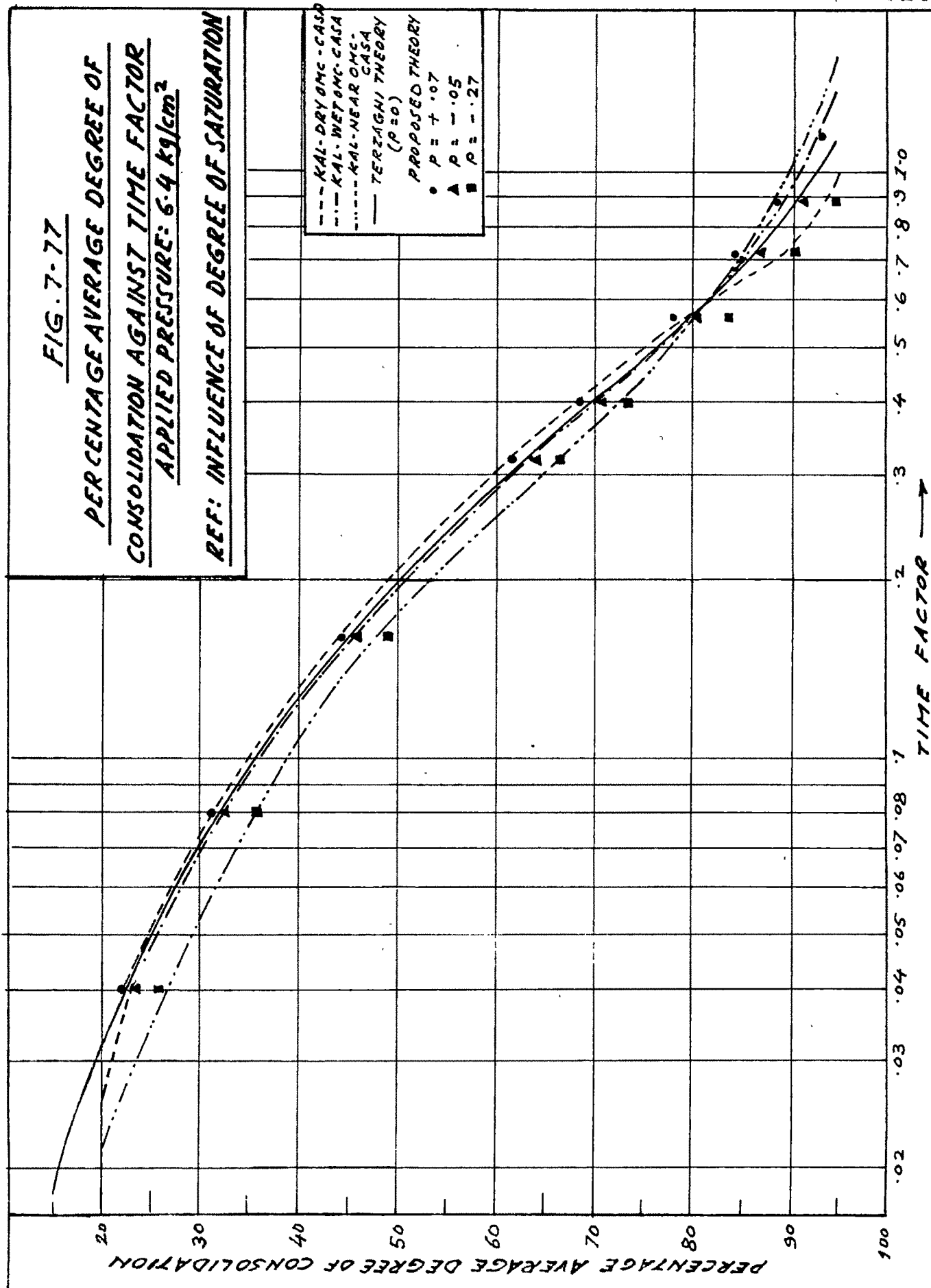


FIG. 7-78

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR

APPLIED PRESSURE: 1 kg/cm²

REF: INFLUENCE OF DEGREE OF SATURATION

--- BENT-DRYOMC-CASA
 - - - BENT-NEOMC-CASA
 --- TERZAGHI THEORY
 $p = 0$
 PROPOSED THEORY
 ● $p = +.09$
 ▲ $p = -.15$
 ■ $p = -.2$

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR →

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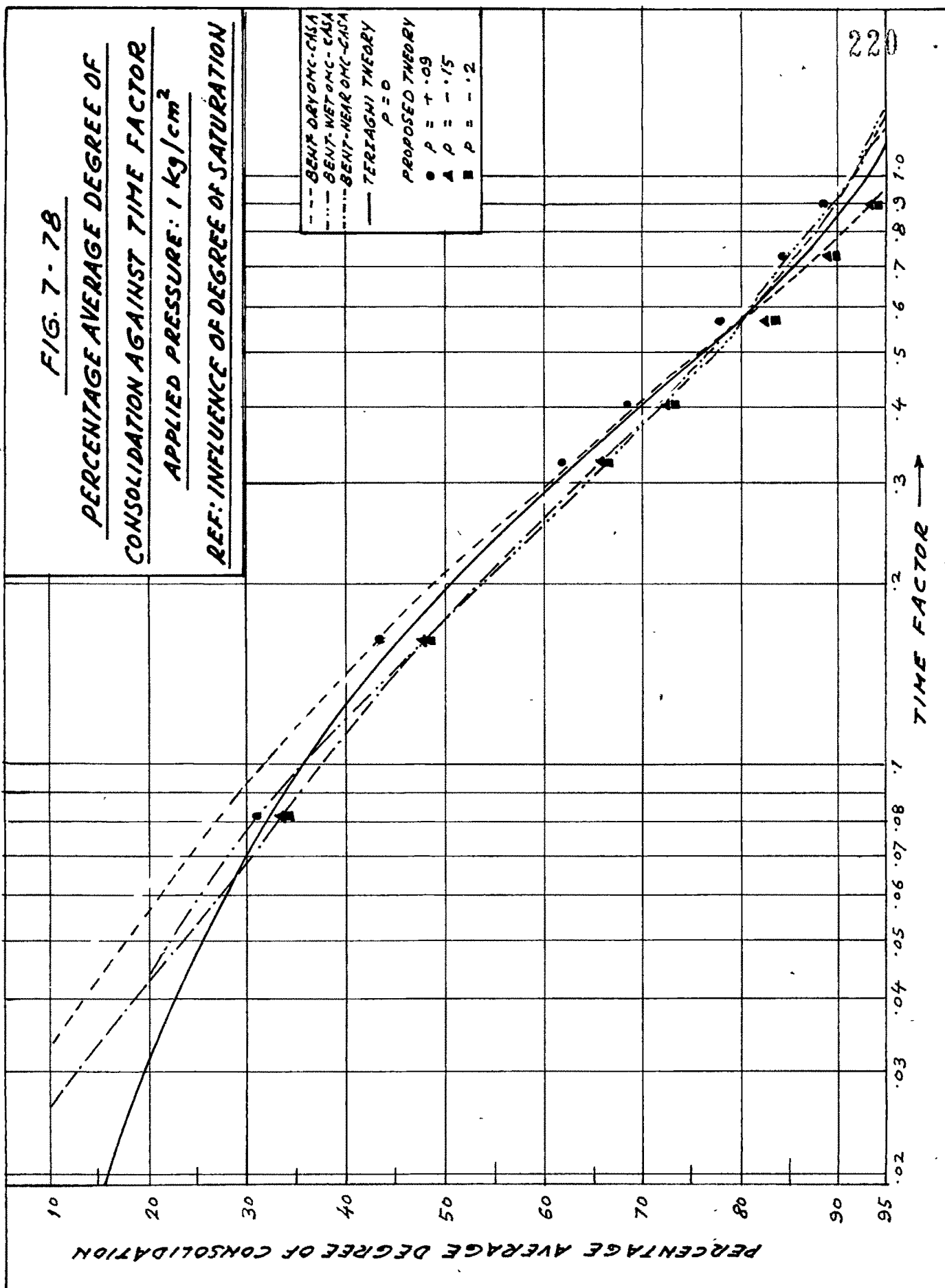


FIG. 7-79

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 2 kg/cm²

REF: INFLUENCE OF DEGREE OF SATURATION

--- BENT-DRY OMC-
CASA
2 kg/cm²
TERZAGHI THEORY
 $p = 0$
PROPOSED THEORY
● $p = 1.2$

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR →

FIG. 7-80

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 8 kg/cm²
REF: INFLUENCE OF DEGREE OF SATURATION

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR →

--- BENT-DRYONG-
CASA
--- BENT-NEARONG-
CASA
--- BENT-WETONG-
CASA
--- TERZAGHI THEORY
PROPOSED THEORY
• $p = 0$
▲ $p = 0.2$
■ $p = 0.25$
■ $p = 0.3$

Discussion :

The consolidation characteristics of clays compacted at various degrees of saturation can be discussed from considerations of the extent of air and water phase influencing the structural matrix.

At dry of optimum moisture content there prevails a thirst for water generating negative pore water pressures. The tendency of expansion of clay while making up the water deficiency to reach an equilibrium water content is resisted by the residual pore water tension inducing a 'compressive prestress' in the clay sample. Further, as a consequence of less amount of available water, a high concentration of electrolyte results due to which the diffused layer of ions surrounding the clay particle remains in a depressed state. It leads to low interparticle repulsion creating a flocculated arrangement of particles. In such air water environment, initially the consolidation process consists merely of relief of compressive prestress and breaking up of some flocculation link bonds without virtually causing any out flow of water.

On the other hand at wet of optimum moisture content the air gets occluded because of which it ceases to be continuous over a distance as water seals thin necks of air voids. The occluded air bubbles cling to the clay colloid remaining thereby out of the general flow channels. Because of no water deficiency

there is no environment for the generation of pore water tension and prestress in the clay skeleton. Also reduction of electrolyte concentration causes expansion in the double layer thereby increasing the repulsive forces between particles. This tends to produce a dispersed arrangement of particles. Under this conditions dissipation of free water pressure occurs during the consolidation process. While reaching the optimum moisture content, the air is forced out to the maximum degree corresponding to a particular compactive effort, so that no further flow of air can occur at this state. Under these conditions the consolidation pressure is resisted by the air bubbles trapped in the strongest structural arrangement and the air and water both get expelled only after the collapse of the resisting structure.

In the above physical background it can be argued that the samples of kaolinite or Bentonite compacted at dry of OMC would show at lighter loads initial resistance to compressive prestress and to the flocculated structure. Comparatively more resistance is observed in Bentonite because of its swelling potential besides the higher magnitude of usual combating forces. These forces are overcome at higher loads thereby indicating normal consolidation behaviour. At or near OMC the behaviour is similar as environmental conditions almost remain same. The observation of higher rate

of consolidation with increase of pressure in case of samples compacted at wet of OMC indicates easy dissipation of free pore water through soil skeleton which is more or less dispersed with no compressive prestressed and higher occlusion in the soil. Higher order of flocculation in Bentonite at dry side and wet side of OMC produces a steep compression curve compared to that in kaolinite. The increasing order of secondary compression with the increase in moulding water content is clearly evident from the fact that with it there is an increase in the orientation of particles and decrease in the pore water tensions. Obviously therefore while the wet side samples would show a near Terzaghi behaviour, deviation is marked as the moulding water content decreases.

7.3.4. Stress History

Refer Figures 7.81 to 7.113 which are reproduced from the original plots of Figures H 156 to H 212 reported in Appendix H of Volume II.

A : Influence of Loading and Unloading :

Analysis :

(i) Coefficient of consolidation against percentage consolidation.

(Figures 7.81 to 7.84).

Only during the first cycle loading, the C_v value shows

FIG. 7-81

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN²/HRT

KAL-SET-I - CASA
 □ 1st. cycle 0.1 kg/cm²
 ▲ 2nd. cycle 0.1 kg/cm²
 ▣ 2nd. cycle 0.8 kg/cm²
 ○ 3rd. cycle 0.8 kg/cm²

PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION

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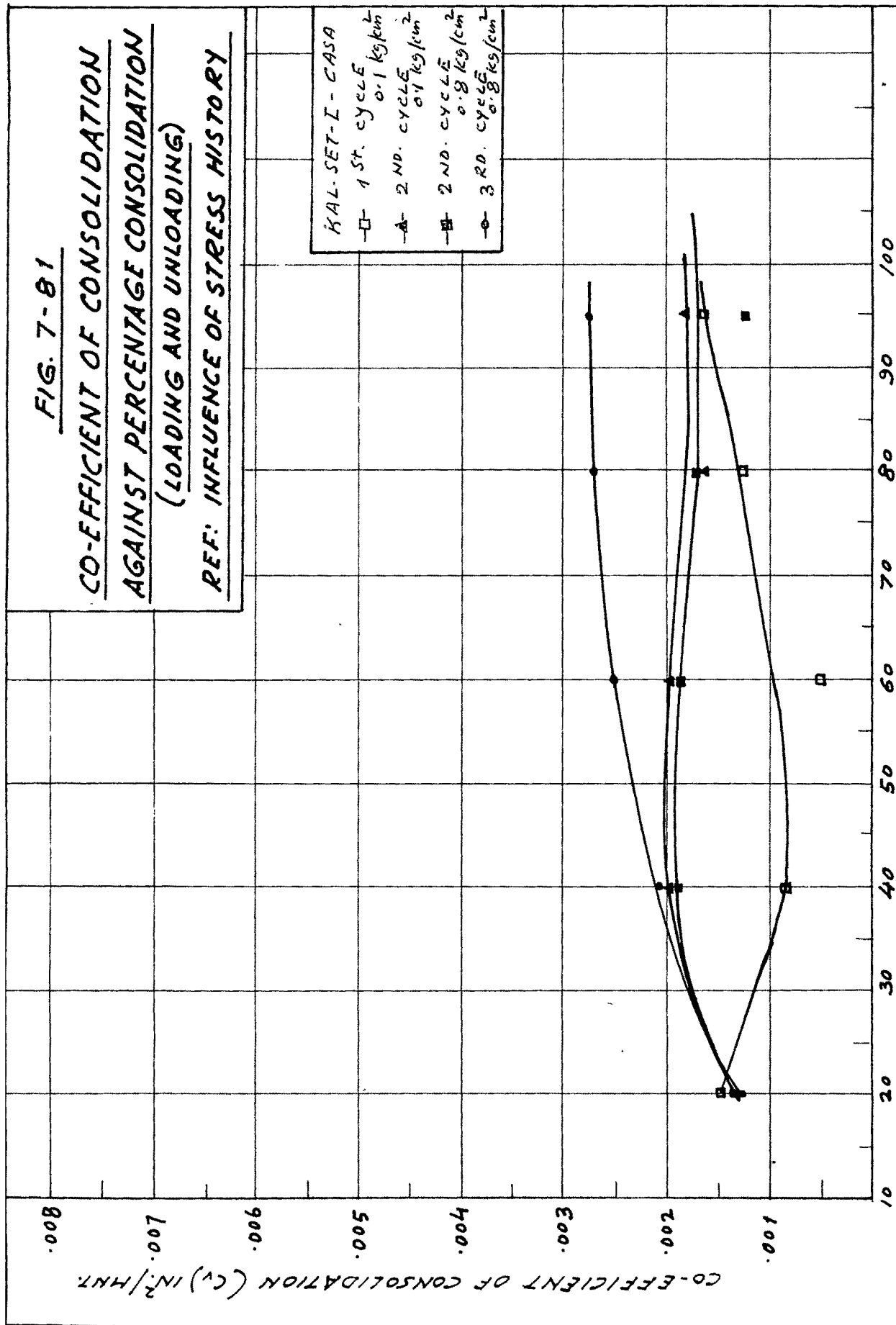


FIG. 7- 82

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

.008

.007

.006

.005

.004

.003

.002

.001

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN²/HRT.

KAL-SET II - CASH
1ST. CYCLE
0.8 kg/cm²
2ND. CYCLE
0.8 kg/cm²
3RD. CYCLE
0.8 kg/cm²
1ST. CYCLE
6.4 kg/cm²
2ND. CYCLE
6.4 kg/cm²
3RD. CYCLE
6.4 kg/cm²

100

90

80

70

60

50

40

30

20

10

PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION

FIG. 7-83

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v)

PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION (U)

KALSET III - GASA
1ST. CYCLE.
+ 0.2 kg/cm²
+ 6.4 kg/cm²
2ND. CYCLE
• 0.2 kg/cm²
Δ 1.6 kg/cm²
■ 6.4 kg/cm²
3RD. CYCLE
○ 0.2 kg/cm²
Δ 1.6 kg/cm²
□ 6.4 kg/cm²

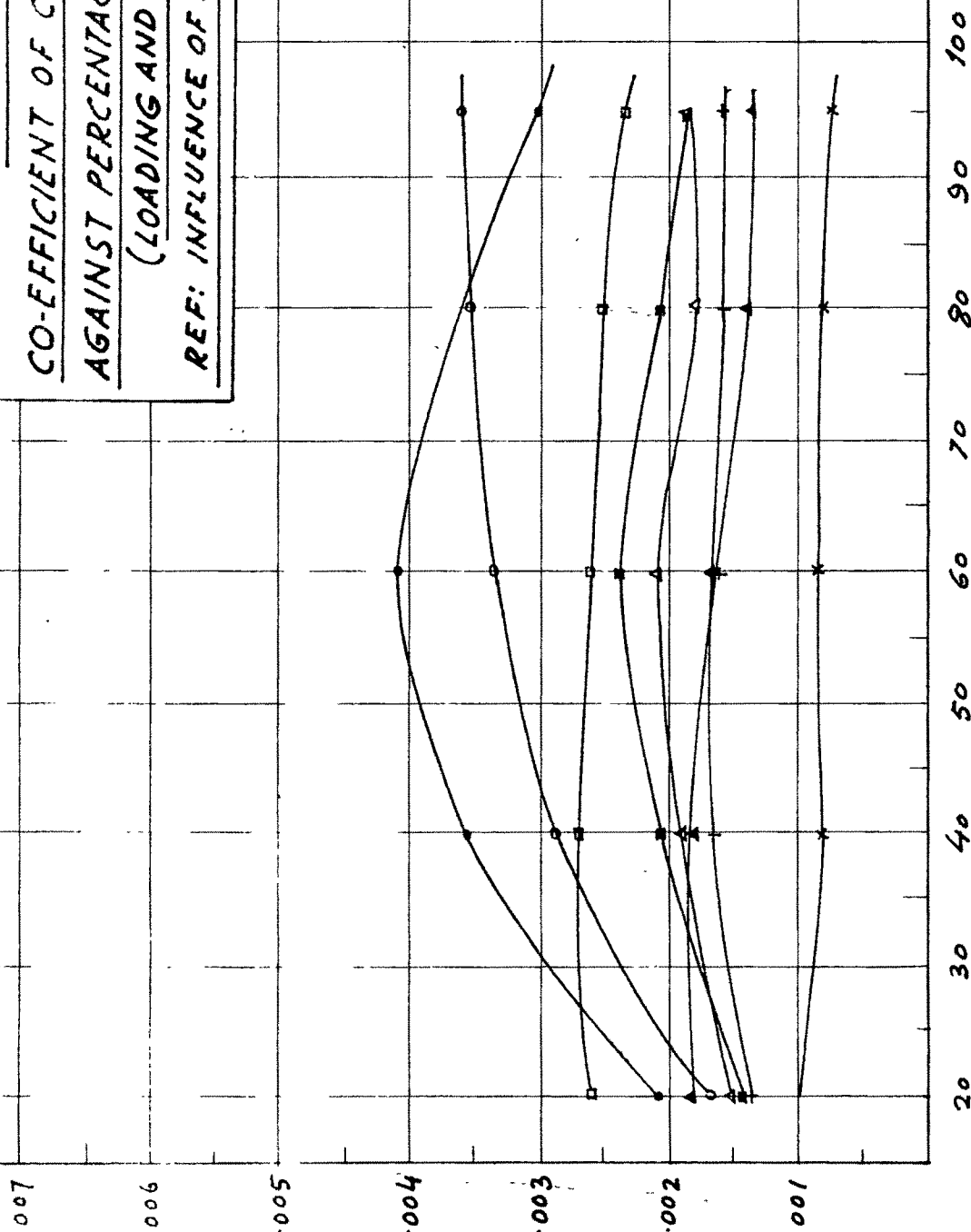
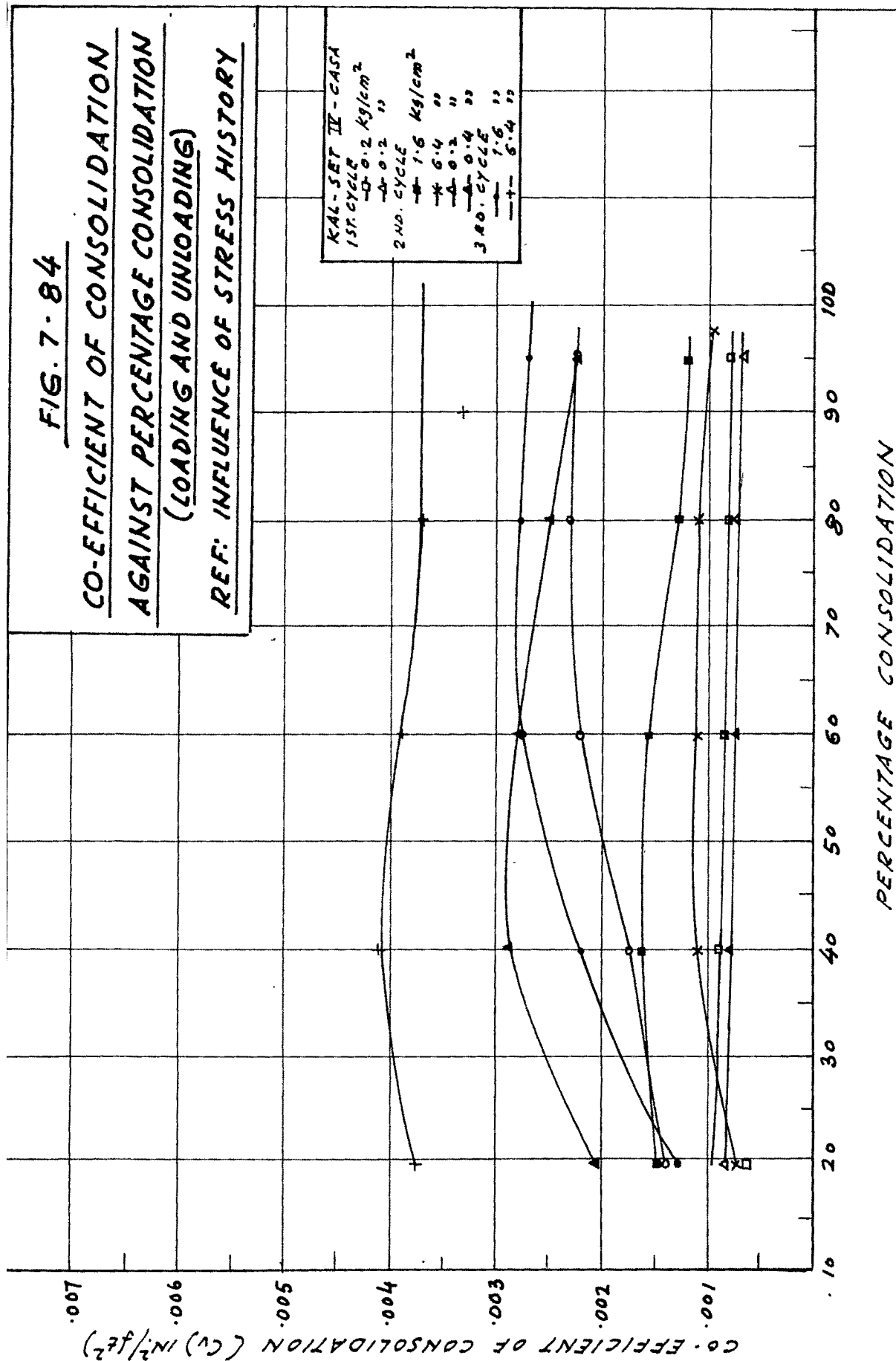


FIG. 7-84

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)

REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY



variation initially similar to that observed in case of saturated kaolinite. For other cycles of loading, it shows a slight increase initially under lighter loads which tends to gradually become constant. For any cycles of loading the value is comparatively higher during lighter loads.

- (ii) Coefficient of consolidation against applied effective pressure.

(Figures 7.85 to 7.88).

The value of C_v is seen to increase with the number of loading and unloading cycles for the same load intensity irrespective of any set. General trend of the curves during any cycles of loading and unloading indicates a decrease in C_v during light loading. C_v therefore increases reaching a constant value for any set. Initial decrease in C_v during the first cycle in any set is comparatively little more than during further cycles of loading and unloading.

- (iii) Void-ratio versus applied effective pressure and compression index against average effective pressure.

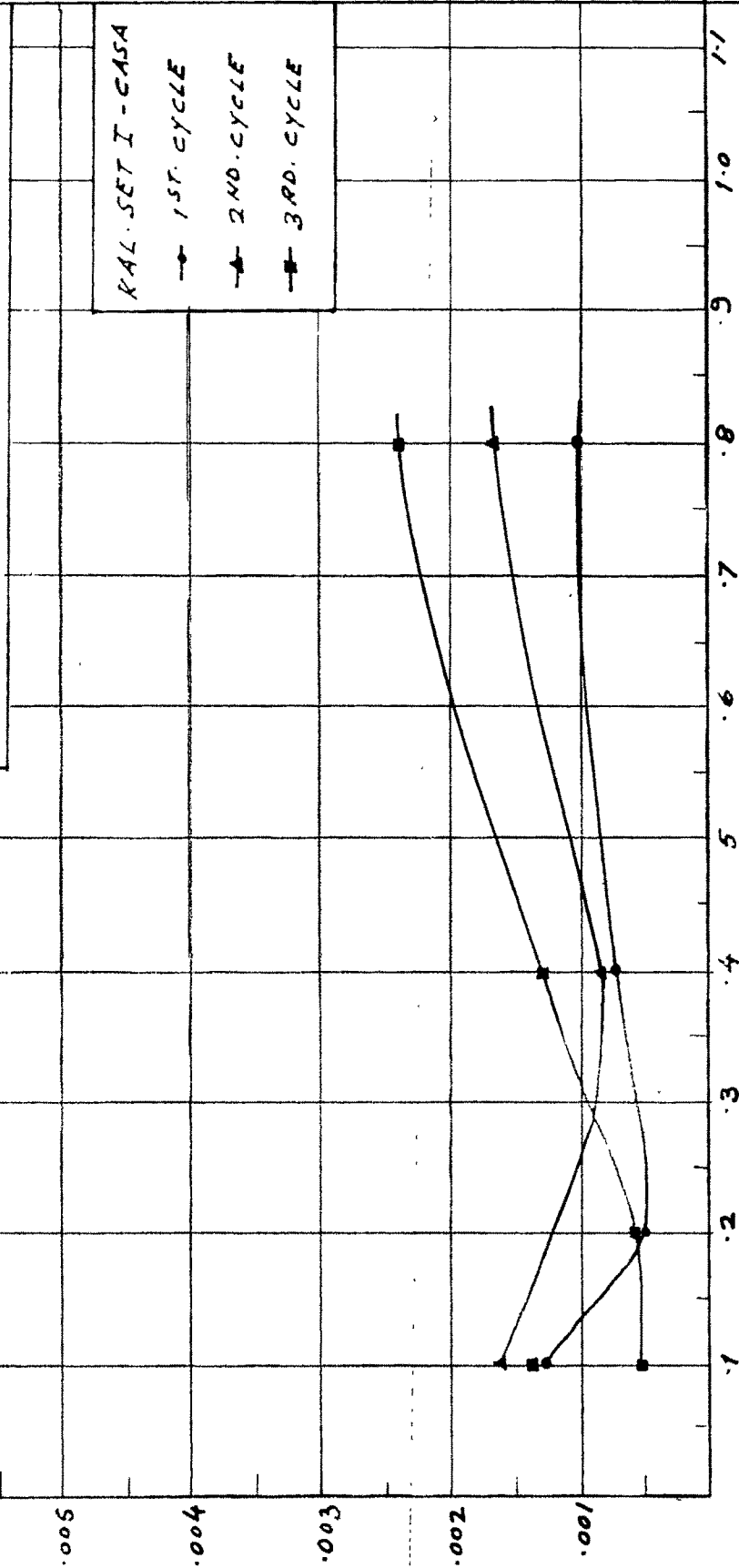
(Figures H 211 and H 212, Figures 7.91 to 7.94).

In general, void ratio against effective stress curve shows that initial load produces an irreversible deformation and exhibits very little elastic recovery in all the sets. Hysteresis loops formed by decompression and recompression are almost parallel among themselves for a particular set of samples. The modulus of elasticity (hysteresis modulus) can

FIG. 7-85

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION - $(C_v) \text{ IN}^2/\text{HR}$



APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm^2 (t/ft^2)

FIG. 7-86

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

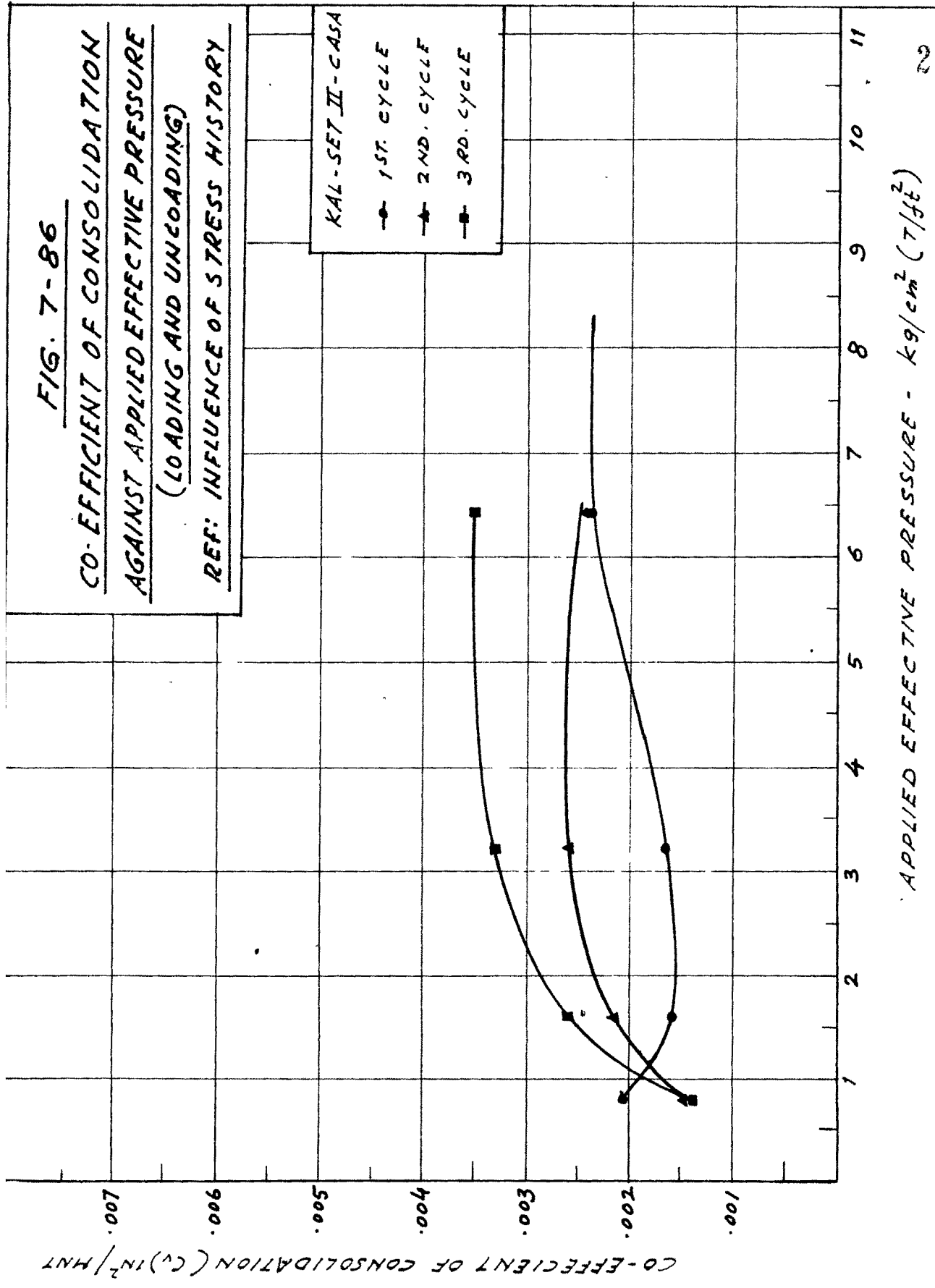


FIG. 7.87

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

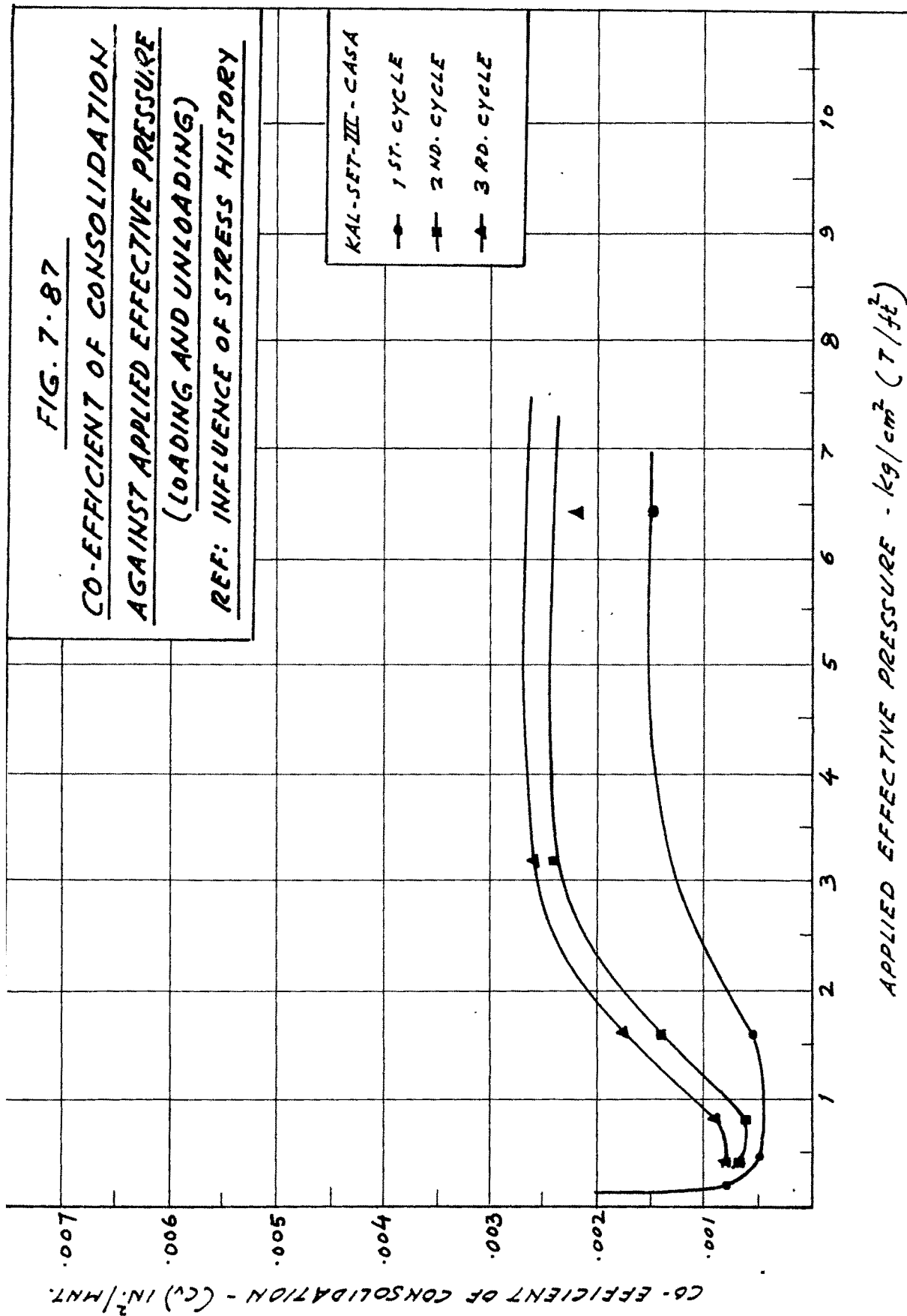


FIG. 7-88

COEFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

COEFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN $\frac{1}{2}$ HRT.

KAL-SET II-CASA
● 1ST. CYCLE
▲ 2ND. CYCLE
■ 3RD. CYCLE

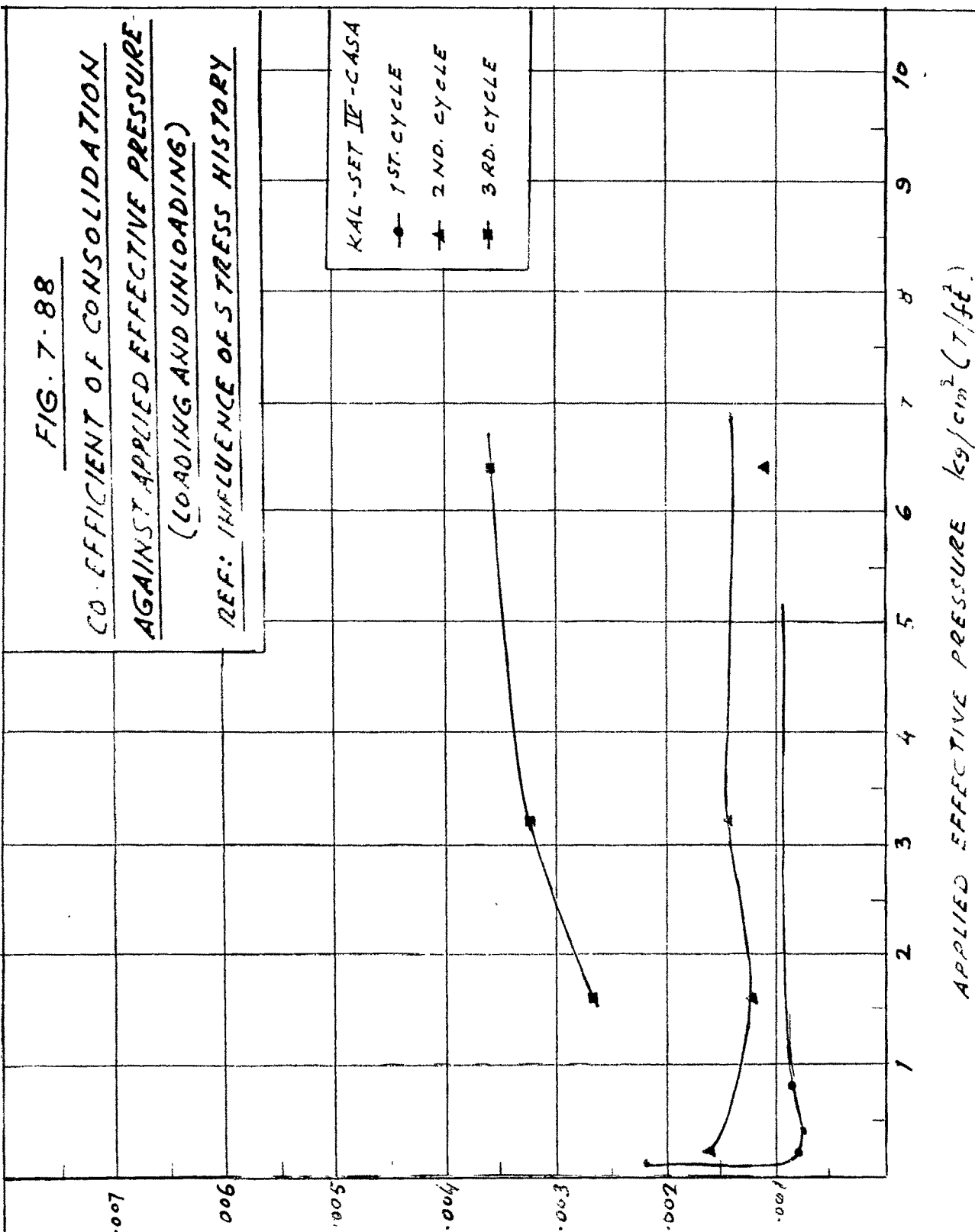


FIG. 7-89

VOID RATIO AGAINST LOG EFFECTIVE
PRESSURE - kg/cm^2
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)

REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

VOID RATIO

SET - I

SET - II

APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm^2

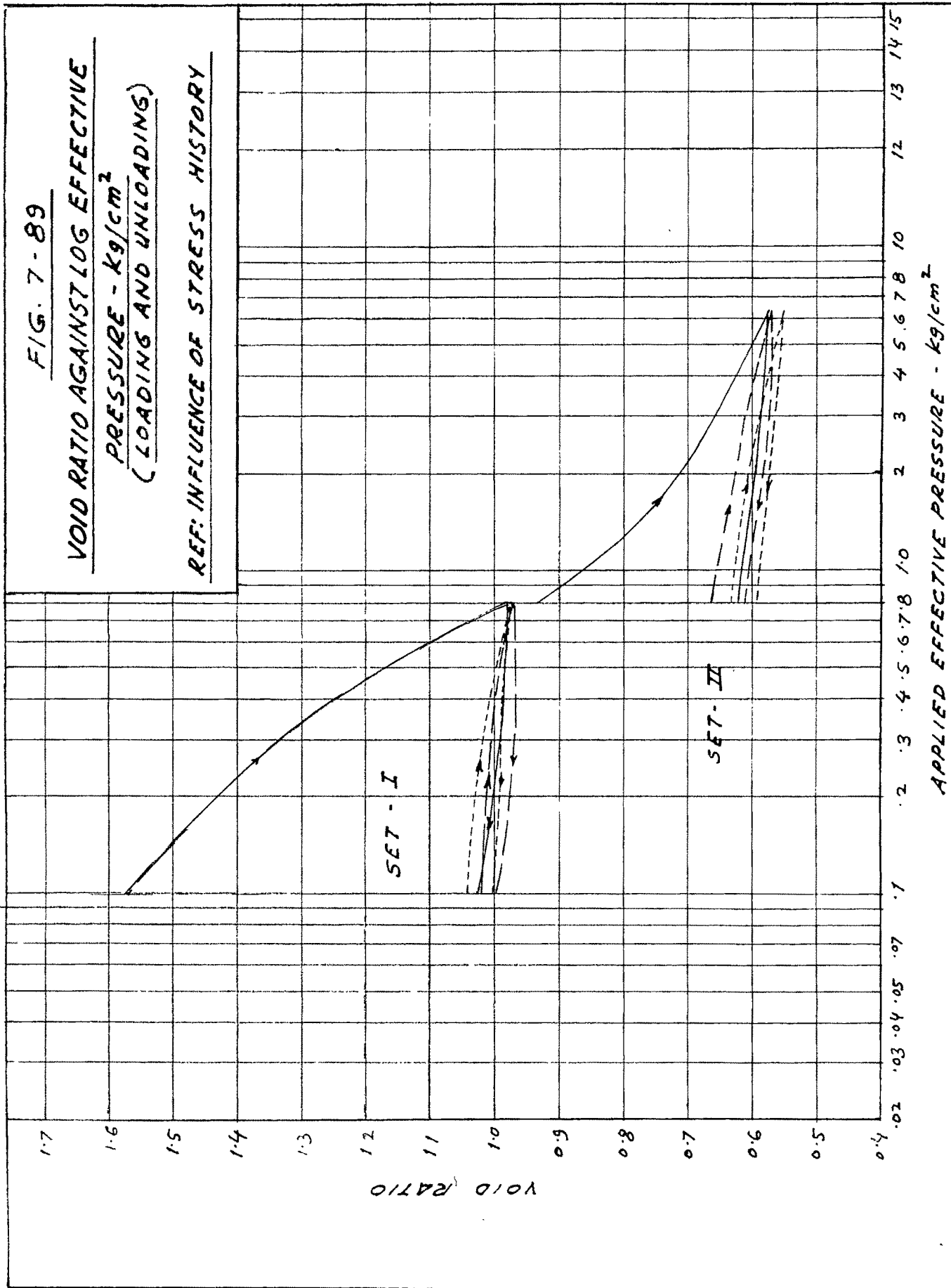


FIG. 7-90

VOID RATIO AGAINST LOG EFFECTIVE
PRESSURE - kg/cm^2 - OF KAL-SAT-CASA
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)

REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

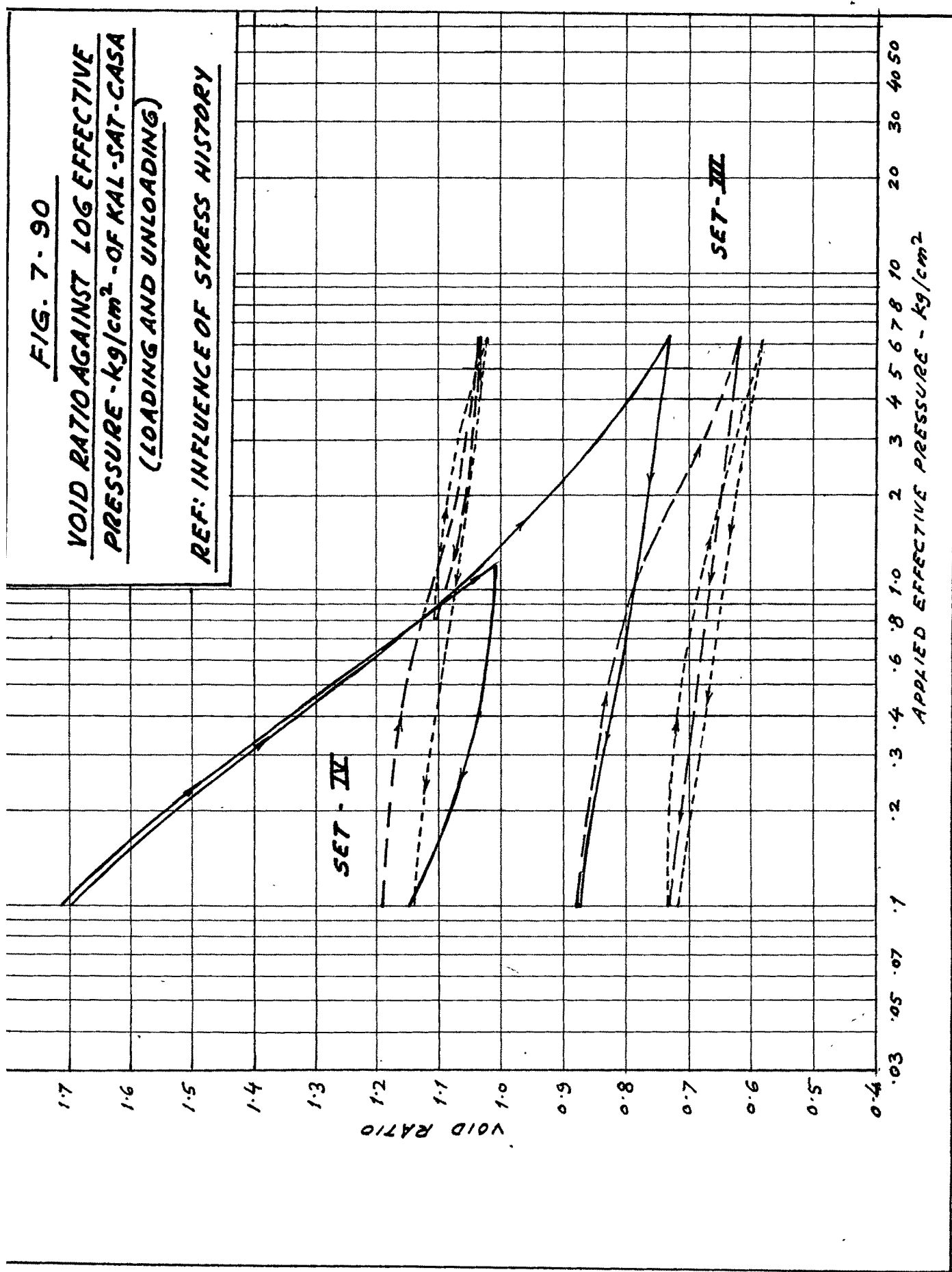


FIG. 7-91

COMPRESSION INDEX AGAINST
APPLIED AVERAGE EFFECTIVE PRESSURE
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

COMPRESSION INDEX (C_c)

KAL-SET I-CASA
 -●- 1ST. CYCLE
 -▲- 2ND. CYCLE
 -■- 3RD. CYCLE

APPLIED AVERAGE EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm^2

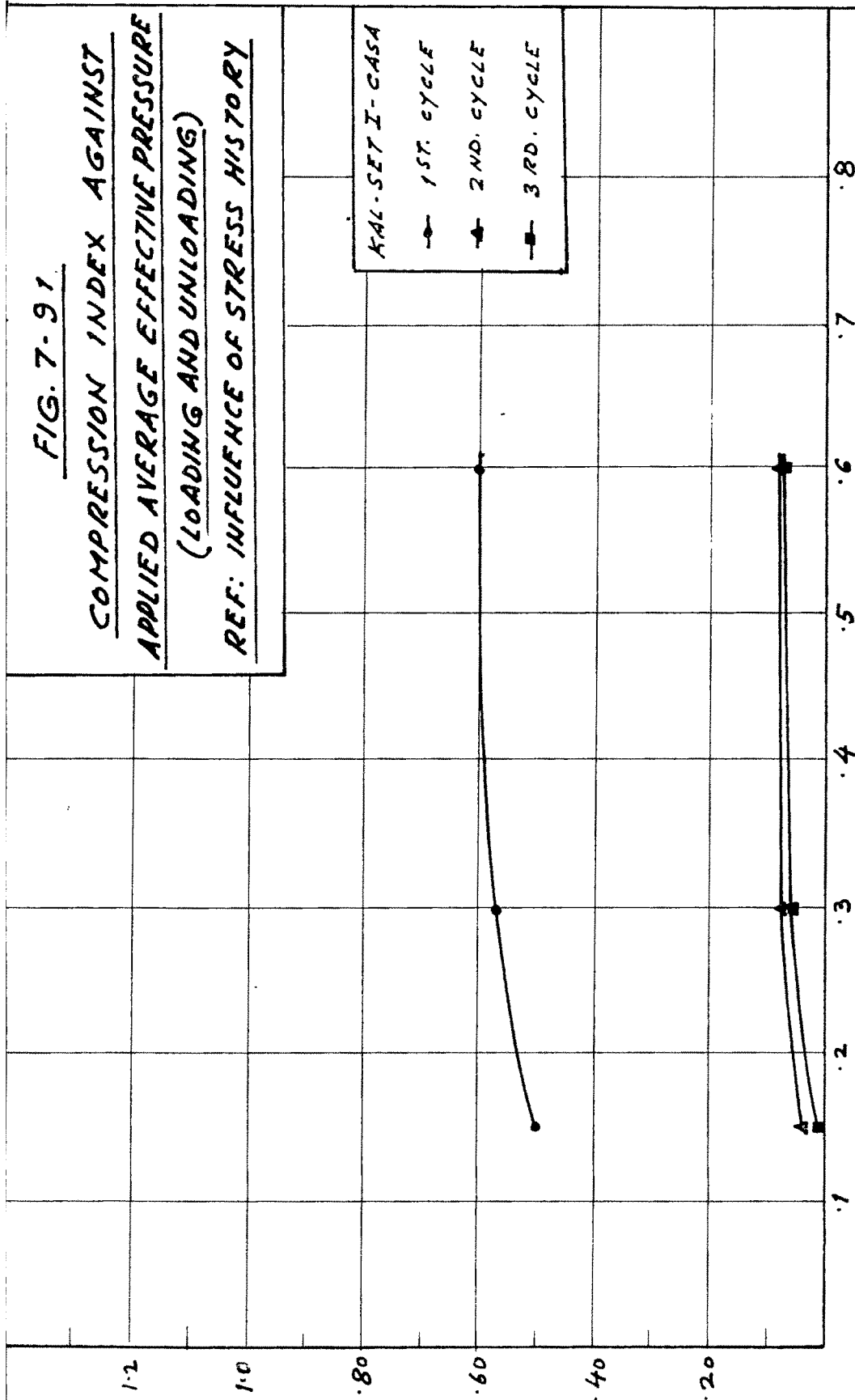


FIG. 7. 92

COMPRESSION INDEX AGAINST
APPLIED AVERAGE EFFECTIVE PRESSURE
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

COMPRESSION INDEX (C_c)

KAL-SET II-CASA

—●— 1ST. CYCLE

—▲— 2ND. CYCLE

—■— 3RD. CYCLE

4.0

3.0

2.0

1.0

APPLIED AVERAGE EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm^2

FIG. 7-93

COMPRESSION INDEX AGAINST
APPLIED AVERAGE EFFECTIVE PRESSURE
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

COMPRESSION INDEX (C_c)

APPLIED AVERAGE EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm²

KAL - SET II - GASA
● 1ST. CYCLE
▲ 2ND. CYCLE
■ 3RD. CYCLE

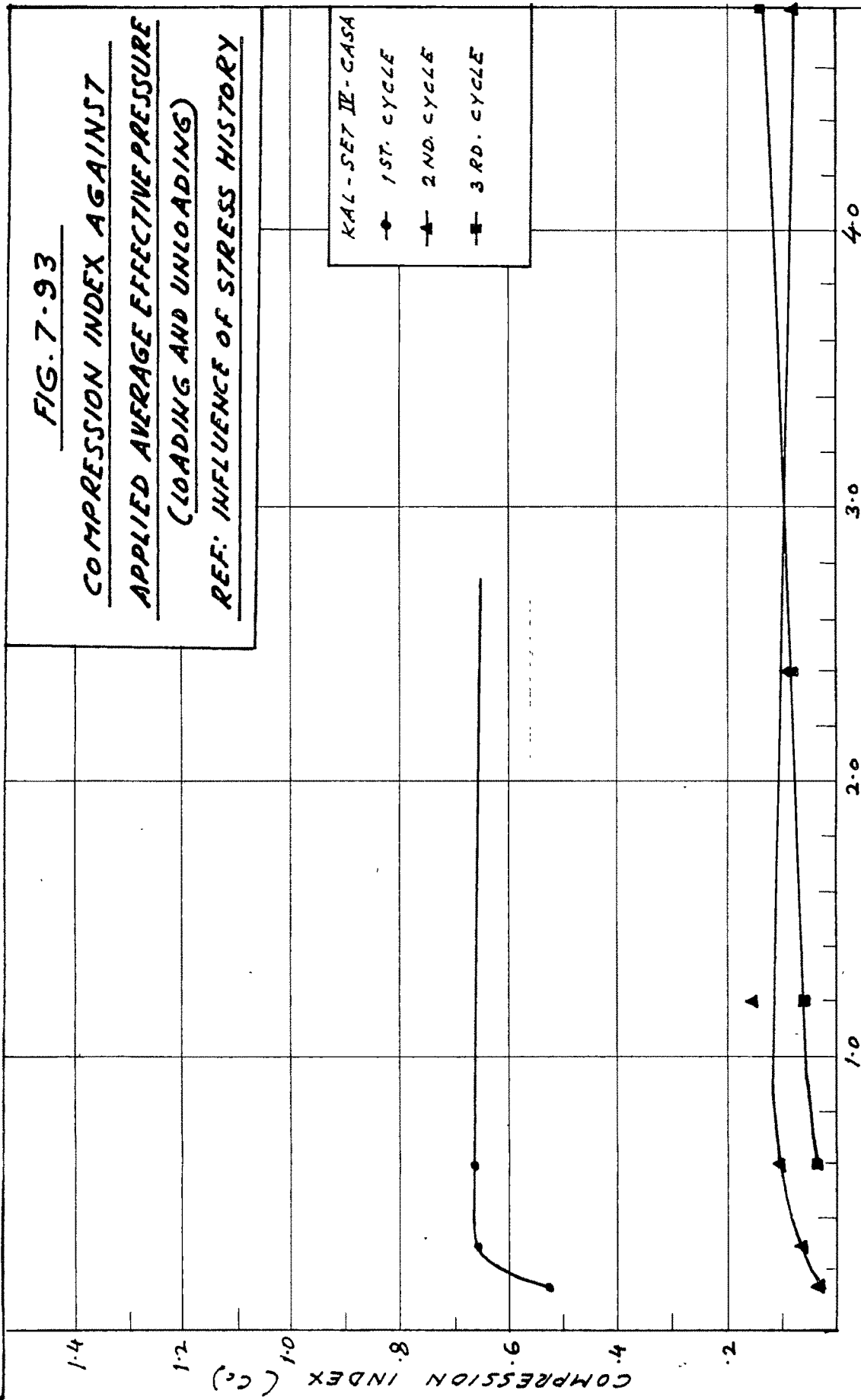
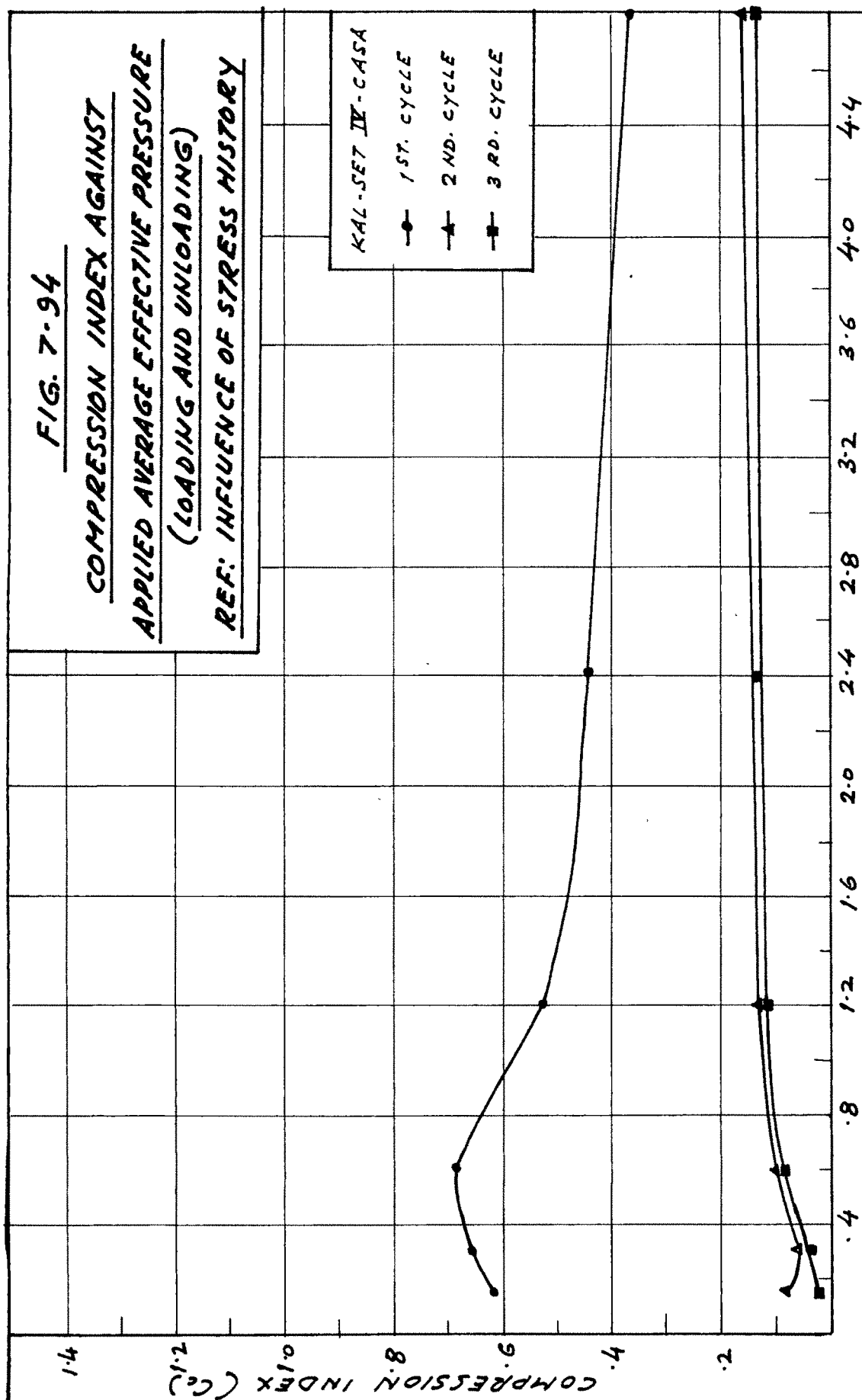


FIG. 7-94

COMPRESSION INDEX AGAINST
APPLIED AVERAGE EFFECTIVE PRESSURE
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY



APPLIED AVERAGE EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm^2

thus be considered as constant. From the curves, it is also seen that the area of the hysteresis loop is progressively decreasing with further loading and unloading cycles. These decrease is small in the first set of sample where loading and unloading cycles remain in the lighter load region. The values of initial tangent modulus and secant modulus measured for various sets shows that these values increase slightly with each set. Trend of compression index with average applied pressure is similar in nature to that observed for saturated kaolinite with further cycles of loading and unloading it tends to remain constant for all average pressures.

(iv) Percentage secondary compression against effective applied pressure.

(Figures 7.95 to 7.98).

General nature of relationship during the first cycle in all the sets of samples remains same. In the light loading region it shows a steep rise and then becomes almost flat. During the second and third cycles of loading and unloading the degree of secondary compression remains constant.

(v) Parameter P against effective applied pressure.

(Figures 7.99 to 7.102 to 103 to 7.119).

Experimental curves of the first cycle in all the sets of sample fit closer to the Terzaghi theoretical curve. Deviations observed in the first set from Terzaghi theory are 2.25%, 3% and 3.8% respectively for first, second and the third cycle.

FIG. 7-95

PERCENTAGE SECONDARY COMPRESSION
AGAINST APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

PERCENTAGE SECONDARY COMPRESSION

KAL-SET I - CASH
—●— 1ST. CYCLE
—▲— 2ND. CYCLE
—■— 3RD. CYCLE

APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm^2

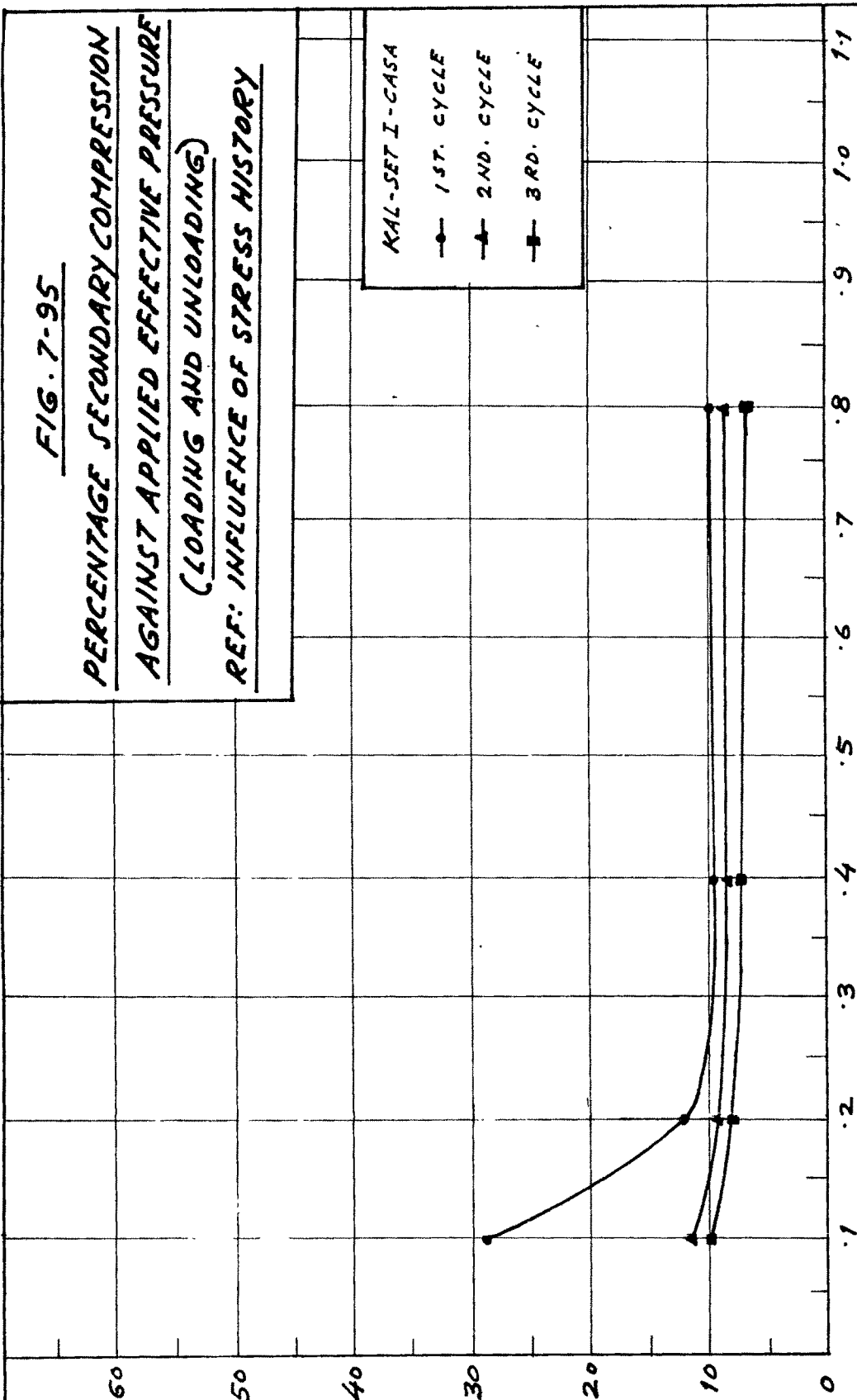


FIG. 7-96

PERCENTAGE SECONDARY COMPRESSION
AGAINST APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

PERCENTAGE SECONDARY COMPRESSION

KAL-SET II - C.A.S.A.
● 1ST. CYCLE
▲ 2ND. CYCLE
■ 3RD. CYCLE

APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm^2

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

0 10 20 30 40 50 60

FIG. 7-97

PERCENTAGE SECONDARY COMPRESSION
AGAINST APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

PERCENTAGE SECONDARY COMPRESSION

KAL-SPT III - C.A.S.A
 —●— 1ST. CYCLE
 —▲— 2ND. CYCLE
 —■— 3RD. CYCLE

APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm^2

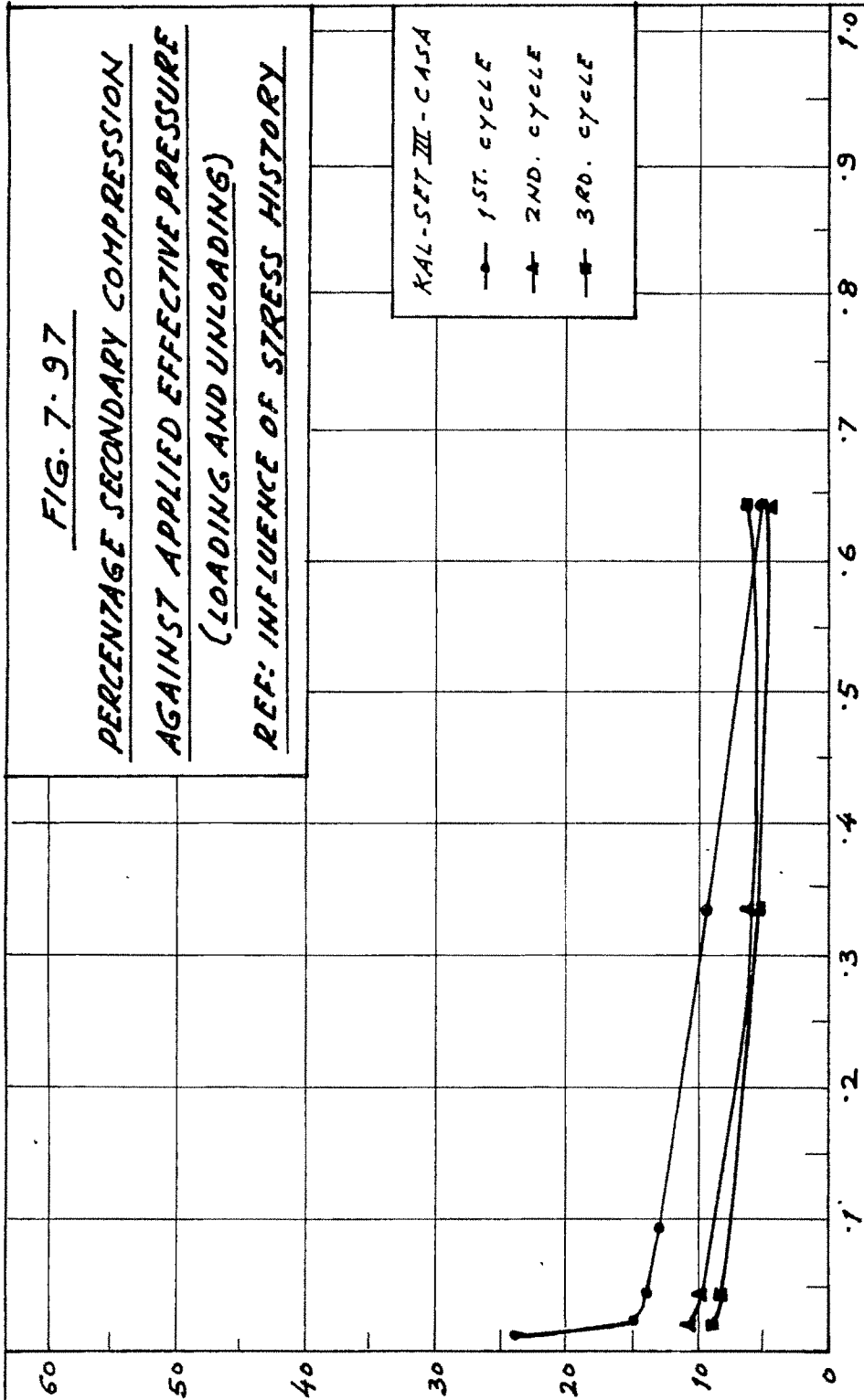


FIG. 7-98

PERCENTAGE SECONDARY COMPRESSION
AGAINST APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

PERCENTAGE SECONDARY COMPRESSION

KAL. SET II - C.A.S.A.
● 1ST. CYCLE
▲ 2ND. CYCLE
■ 3RD. CYCLE

APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm^2

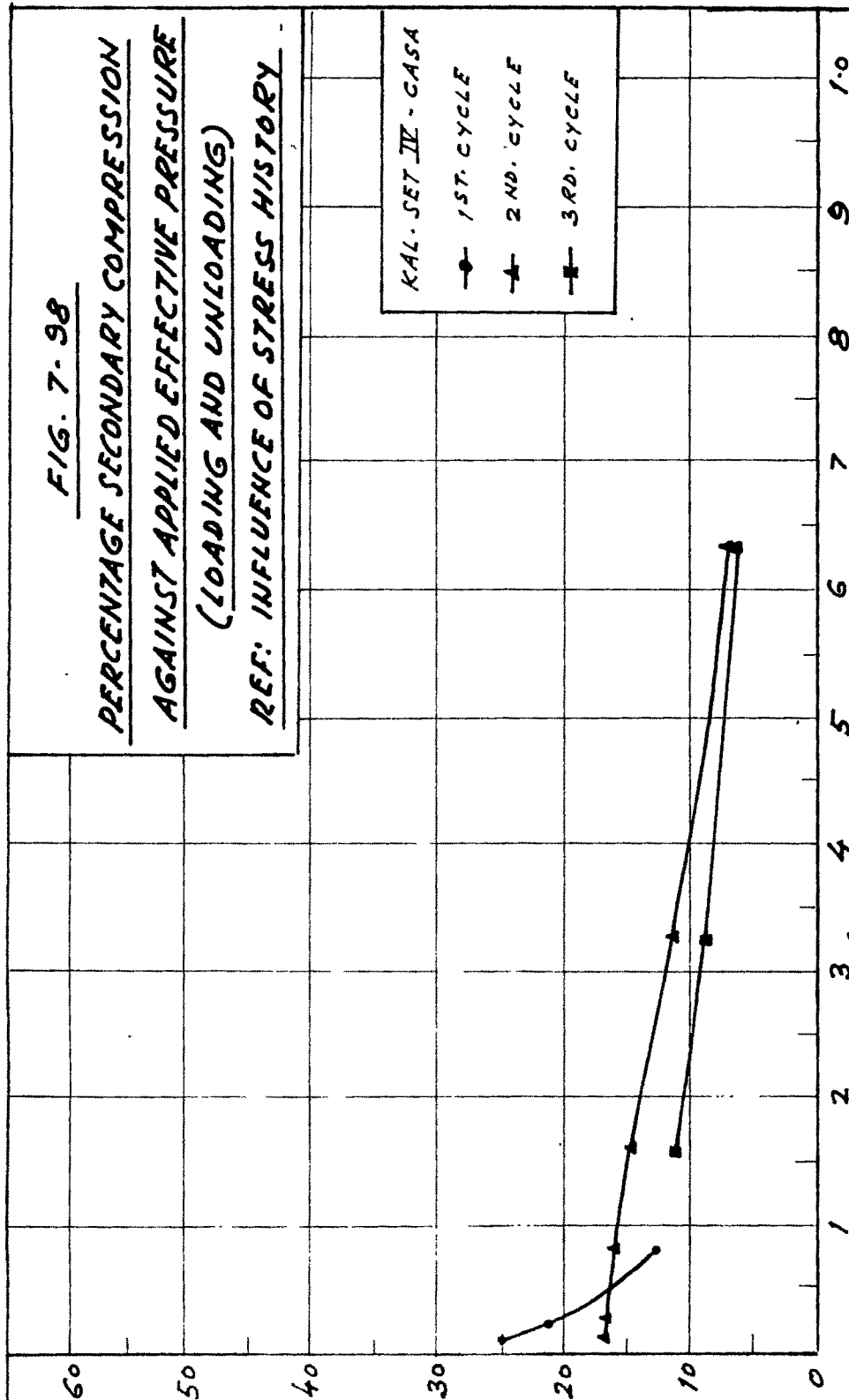


FIG. 7-99

PARAMETER 'P' AGAINST
APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

+0.7

+0.6

+0.5

+0.4

+0.3

+0.2

+0.1

P=0

-0.1

-0.2

-0.3

-0.4

-0.5

-0.6

-0.7

PARAMETER 'P'

KAL-SET I - CASA

—●— 1ST. CYCLE

—▲— 2ND. CYCLE

—■— 3RD. CYCLE

8.8

8.0

7.2

6.4

5.6

4.8

4.0

3.2

2.4

1.6

0.8

0.0

APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm^2

FIG. 7-100

PARAMETER P AGAINST
APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

KAL-SET II - C.A.S.A
—●— 1ST. CYCLE
—▲— 2ND. CYCLE
—■— 3RD. CYCLE

PARAMETER P
+7
+6
+5
+4
+3
+2
+1
P=0
-1
-2
-3
-4
-5
-6
-7
-8

8 1.6 2.4 3.2 4.0 4.8 5.6 6.4 7.2 8.0 8.8

APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm^2

FIG. 7.101

PARAMETER 'P' AGAINST
APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

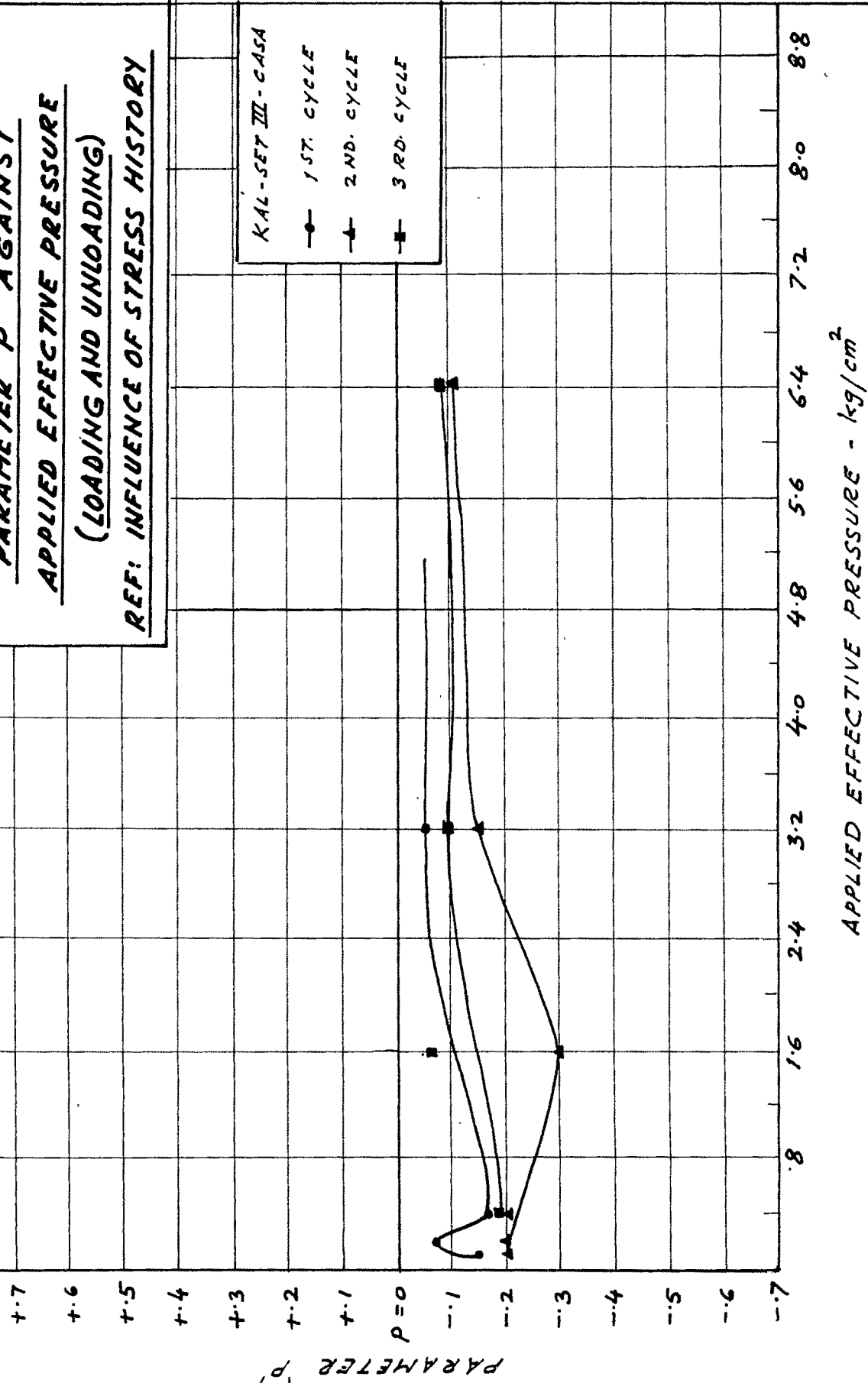


FIG. 7-102

PARAMETER 'P' AGAINST
APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)

REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

PARAMETER 'P'

- ▲ 1ST. CYCLE
- 2ND. CYCLE
- 3RD. CYCLE

8.8249

8.0

7.2

6.4

5.6

4.8

4.0

3.2

2.4

1.6

0.8

APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm^2

+7

+6

+5

+4

+3

+2

+1

0

-1

-2

-3

-4

-5

-6

-7

FIG. 7 - 103

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.1 kg/cm²
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR

250

KAL-SET I - CASA
--- 1ST. CYCLE
--- 2ND. CYCLE
--- 3RD. CYCLE
--- TERZAGHI THEORY
PROPOSED THEORY
P = 0
P = +0.8
P = -0.1
P = -0.2

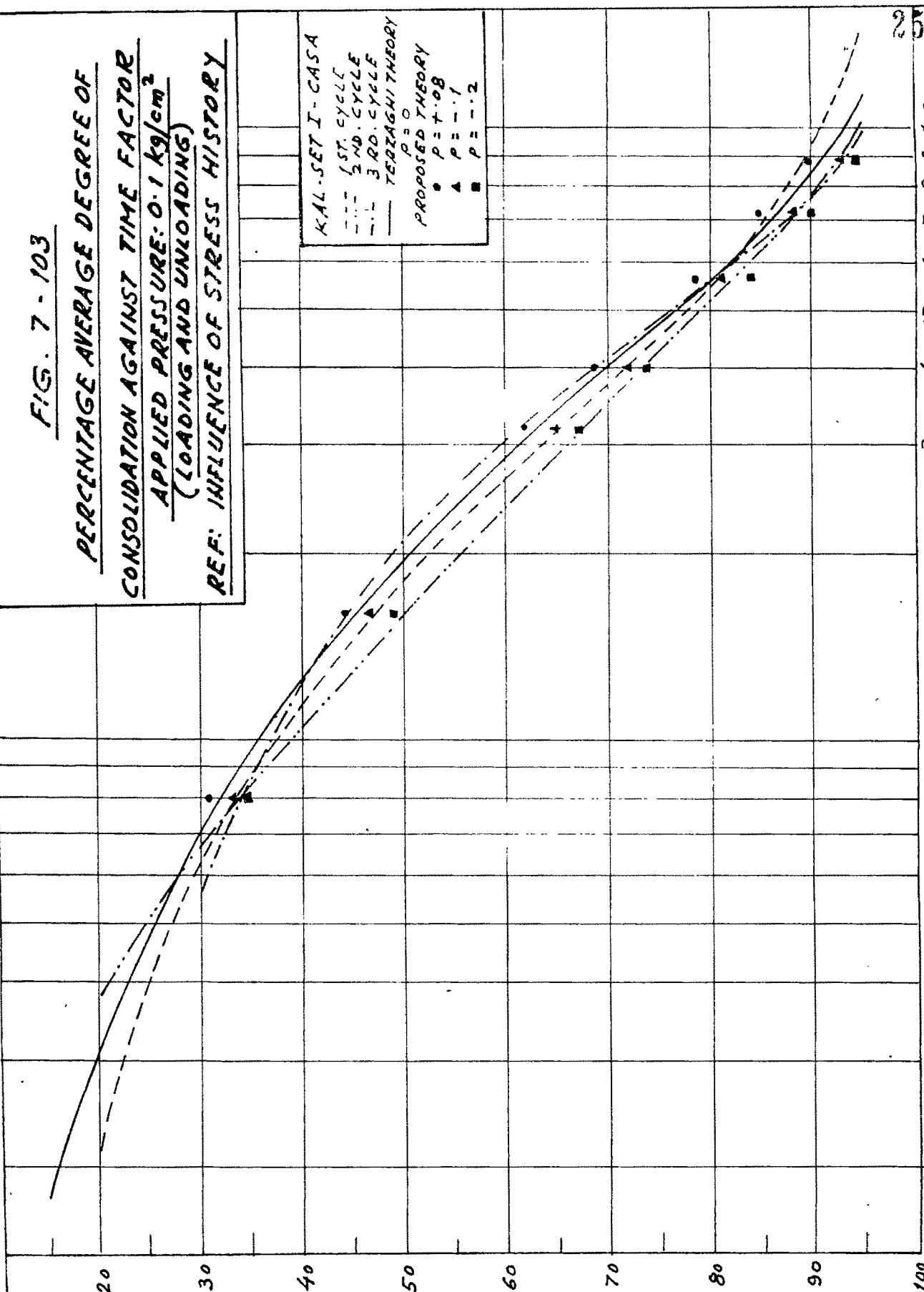


FIG. 7 - 104

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.4 kg/cm^2
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

KAL-SET I - CASA
--- 1ST. CYCLE
-.- 3RD. CYCLE
— TERZAGHI THEORY
 $p = 0$
• $p = -0.04$
▲ $p = -0.2$

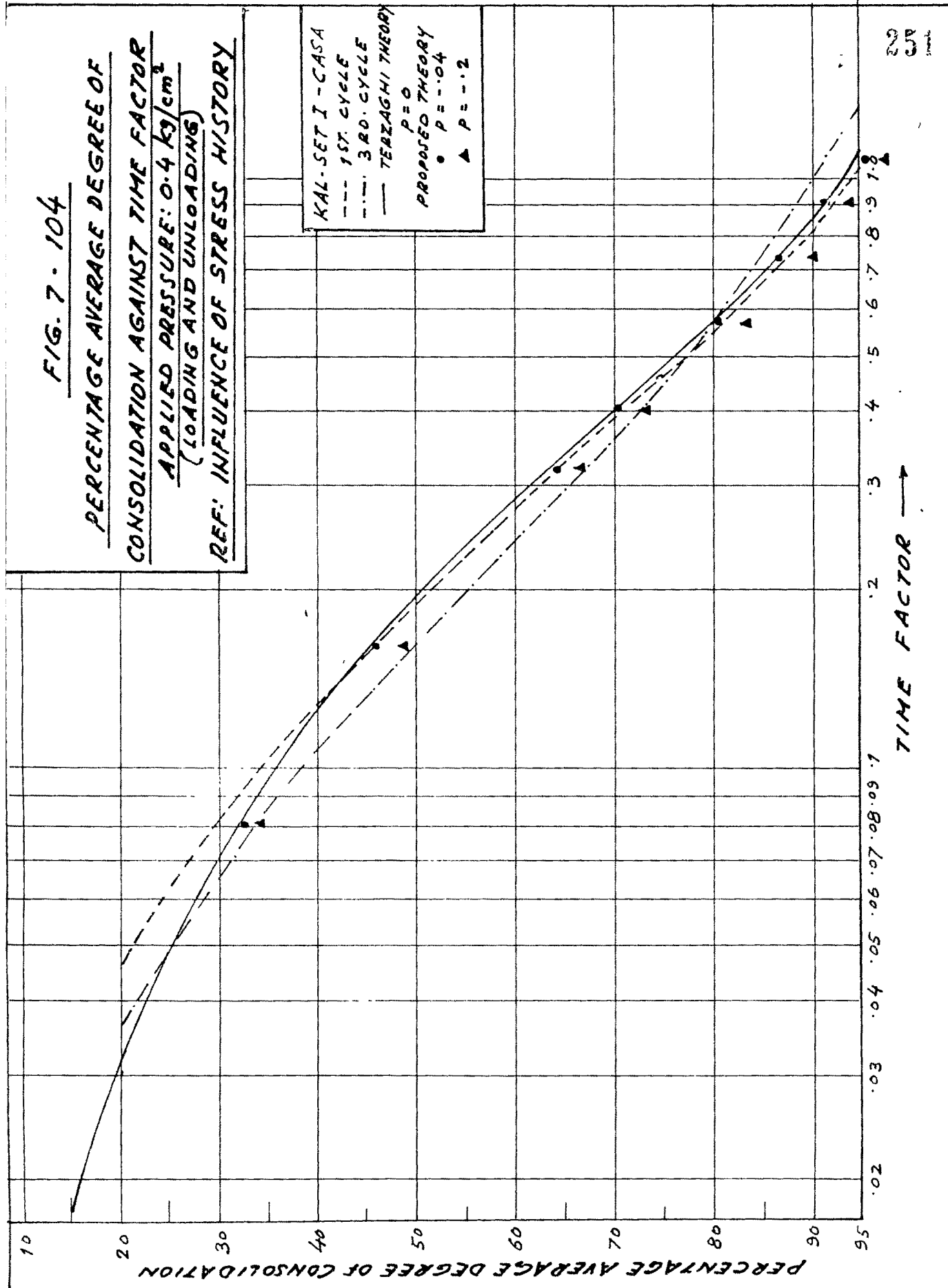


FIG. 7-105

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
(APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.8 kg/cm²)
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR →

KAL-SET I-CASA
--- 1ST. CYCLE
--- 2ND. CYCLE
--- TERZAGHI
PROPOSED THEORY
• $P = +.04$
▲ $P = -.15$

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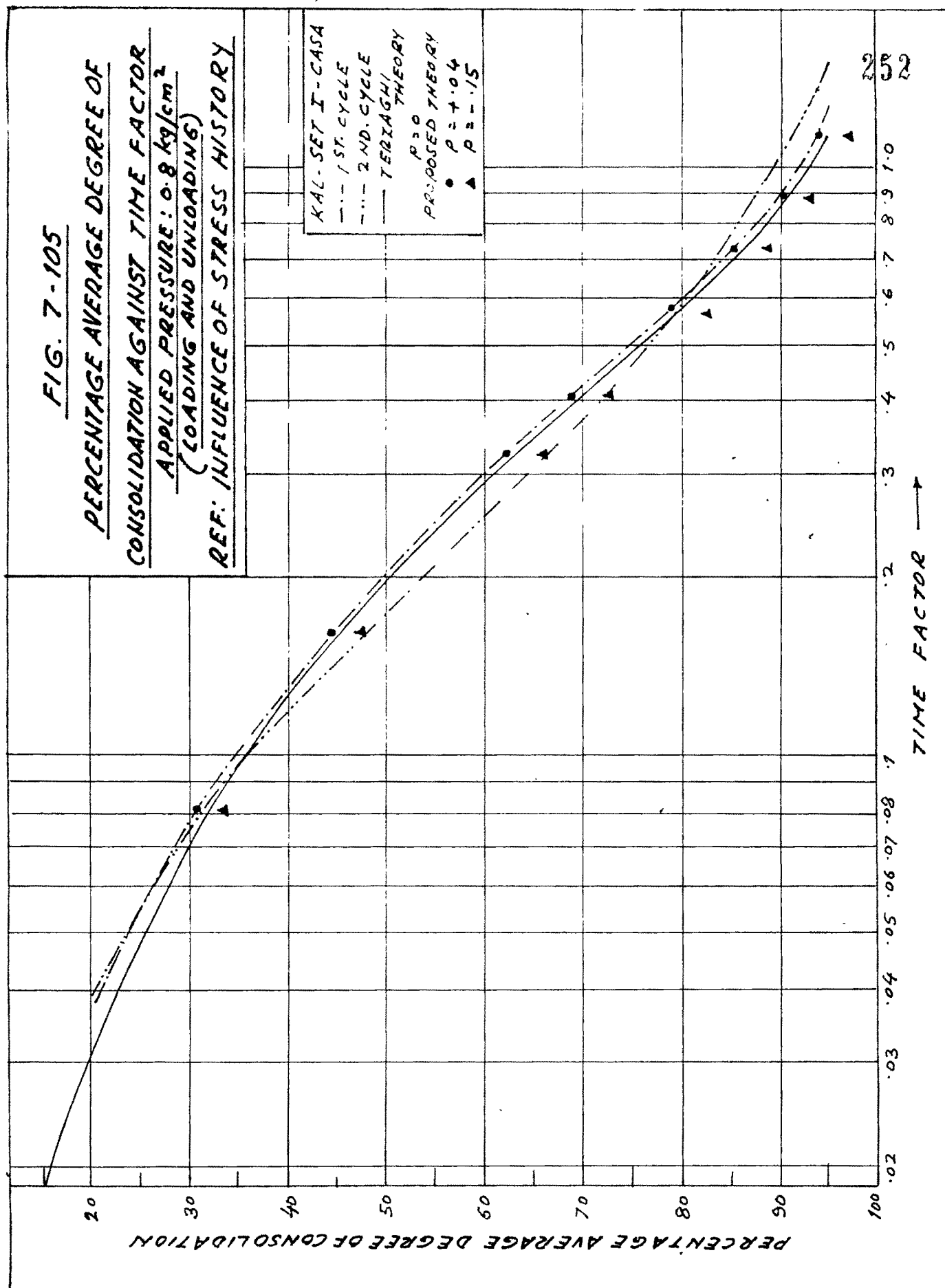


FIG. 7-106

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.8 kg/cm^2
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

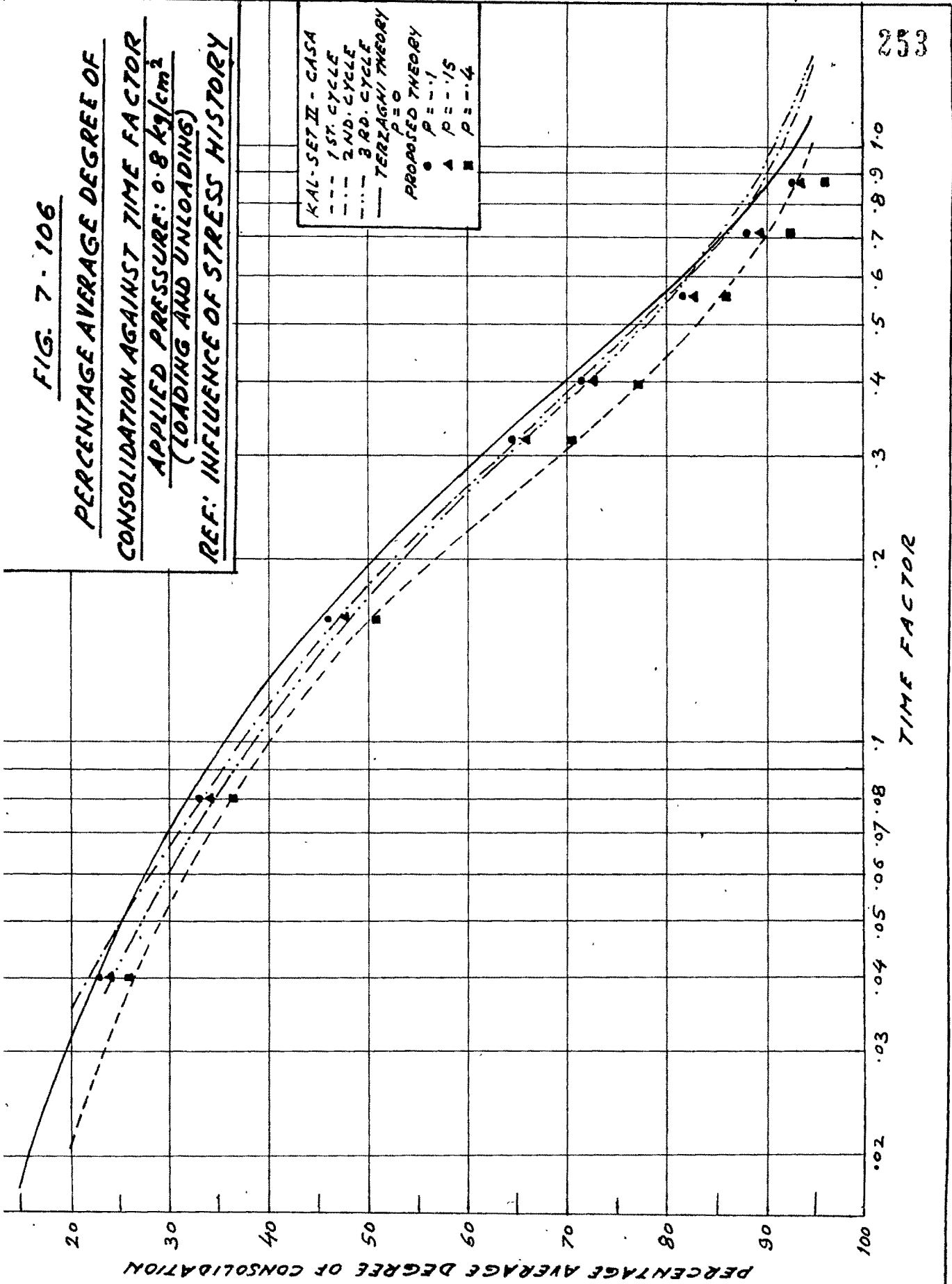


FIG. 7-107

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 1.6 kg/cm²
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR →

KAL-SET II - GASA
--- 1ST. CYCLE
--- 2ND. CYCLE
--- 3RD. CYCLE
--- TERZAGHI THEORY
PROPOSED THEORY
● $p = 0$
▲ $p = -0.1$
■ $p = -0.12$
■ $p = -0.15$

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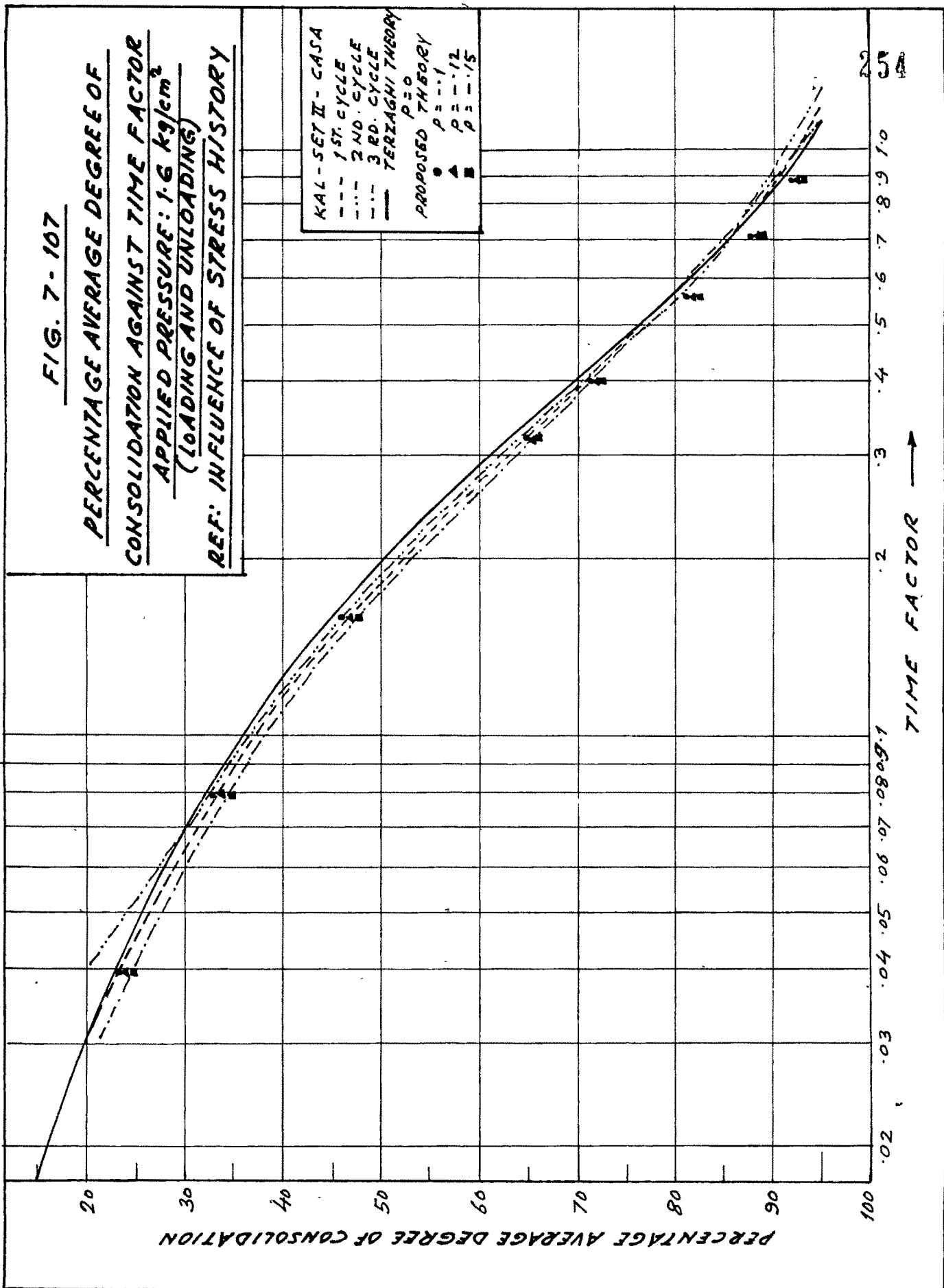


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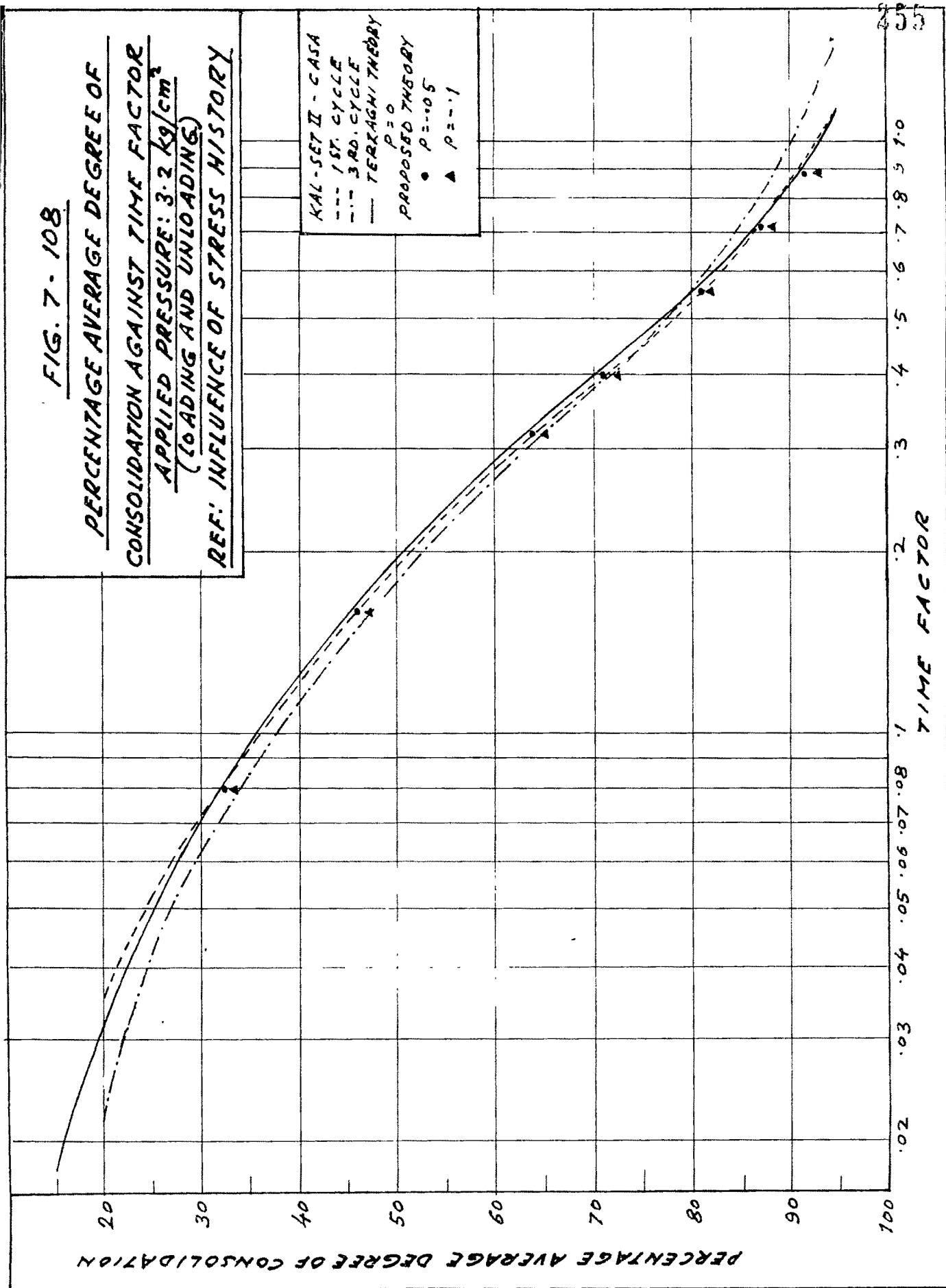
PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 3.2 kg/cm^2
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

KAL-SET II - CASA
--- 1ST. CYCLE
-.- 3RD. CYCLE
--- TERRAGNI THEORY
 $P=0$
PROPOSED THEORY
• $P=-0.5$
▲ $P=-1$

TIME FACTOR

255



PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 6.4 kg/cm²
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY



FIG. 7-110

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF

CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR

APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.1 kg/cm²
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)

REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

KAL-SET III - CASA
 --- 1ST. CYCLE
 --- 2ND. CYCLE
 --- TERZAGHI THEORY
 P = 0
 • P = -0.15
 ▲ P = -0.2

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR

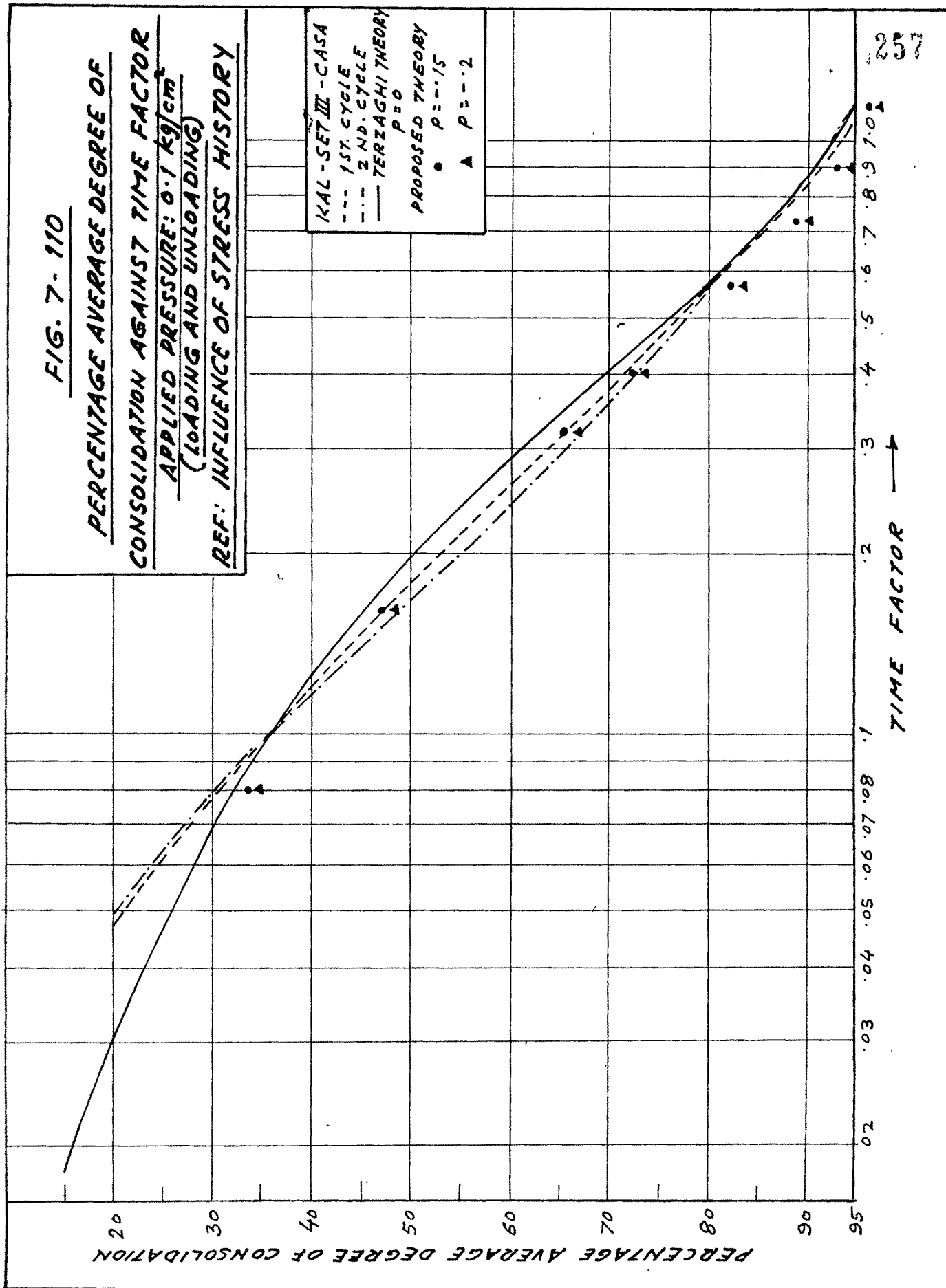


FIG. 7-111

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.2 kg/cm²
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)

REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

KAL-SET III - CASA
--- 1ST. CYCLE
--- 2ND. CYCLE
--- TERZAGHI THEORY
PROPOSED THEORY
▲ P = 0.07
■ P = 0.2

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR →

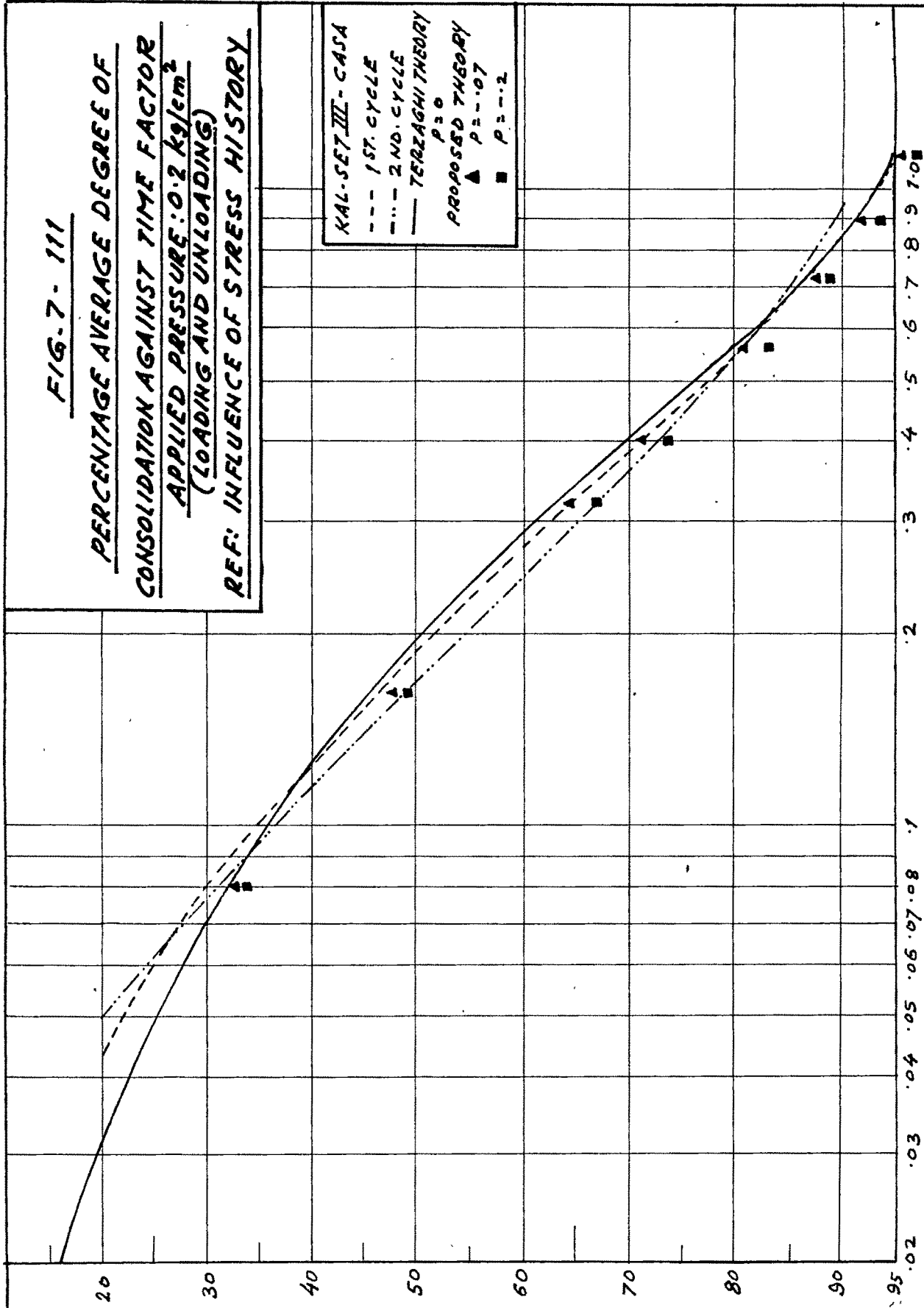


FIG. 7 - 112

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.4 kg/cm²
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

KAL-SET III - CASA
--- 1ST. CYCLE
--- 2ND. CYCLE
--- 3RD. CYCLE
— TERZAGHI THEORY
PROPOSED THEORY
● P = .15
▲ P = .18
■ P = .2

TIME FACTOR →

FIG. 7-113

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 1.6 kg/cm²
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

KAL-SET III-CASA
--- 2ND. CYCLE
--- 3RD. CYCLE
--- TERZAGHI
THEORY
P₂₀₀
PROPOSED THEORY
P₂₀₀ = 1.3
P₂₀₀ = 1.02

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR →

FIG. 7-114

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 3.2 kg/cm^2
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

KAL-SET III - CASH
--- 2ND. CYCLE
--- 3RD. CYCLE
--- TERZAGHI THEORY
P = 0
P = -.09
P = -.15

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR →

FIG. 7 - 115

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 6.4 kg/cm^2
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

KAL-SET III - CASA
--- 1ST. CYCLE
- - - 2ND. CYCLE
— TERZAGHI THEORY
PROPOSED THEORY
● $p = -0.05$
▲ $p = -0.09$

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR →

FIG. 7. 116

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.2 kg/cm^2
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

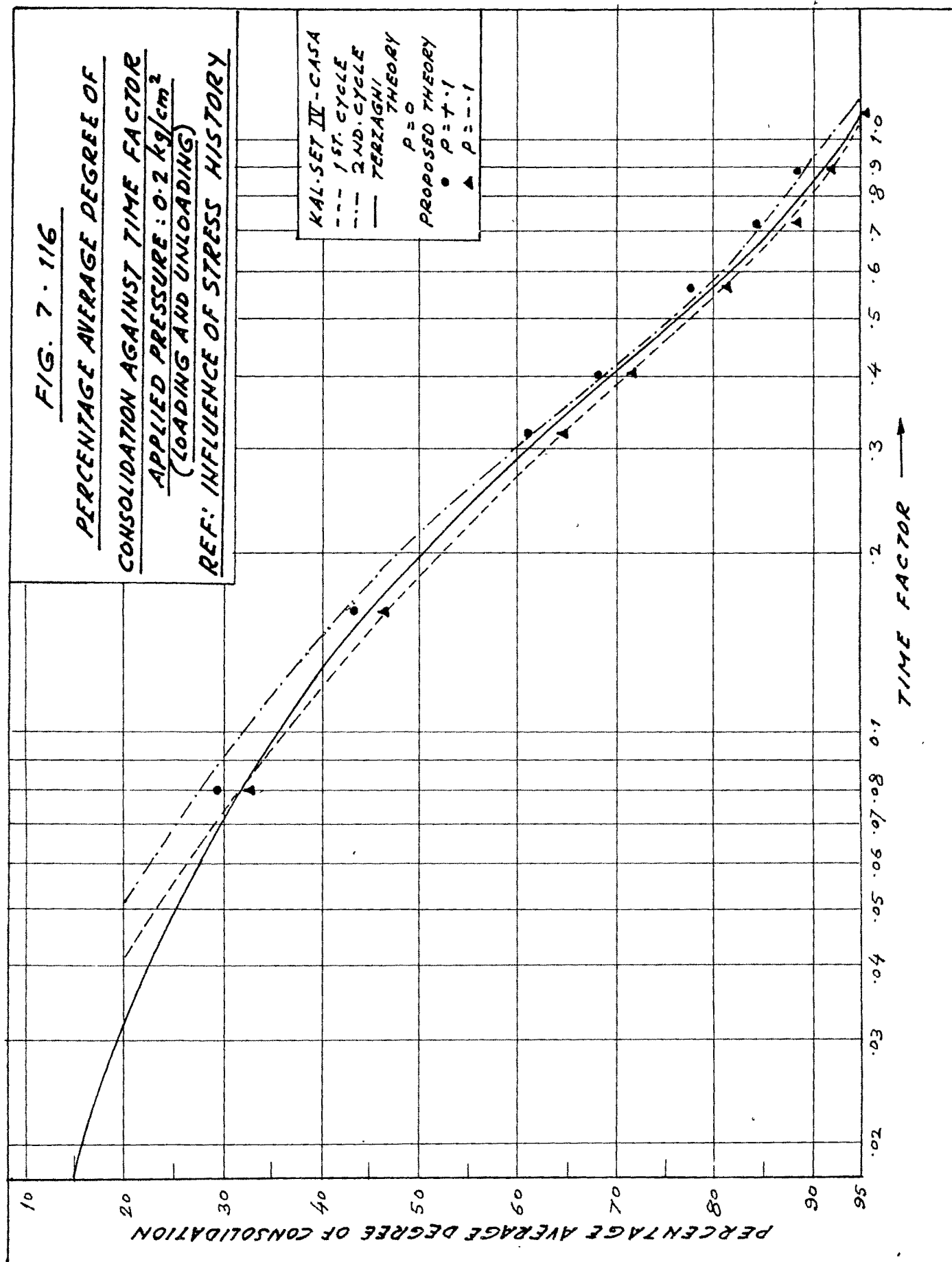


FIG. 7-117

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.4 kg/cm^2
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR →

KAL-SET \overline{U} - CASA
--- 1ST. CYCLE
-.- 2ND. CYCLE
— TERZAGHI THEORY
PROPOSED THEORY
● $P = -0.09$
▲ $P = -0.2$

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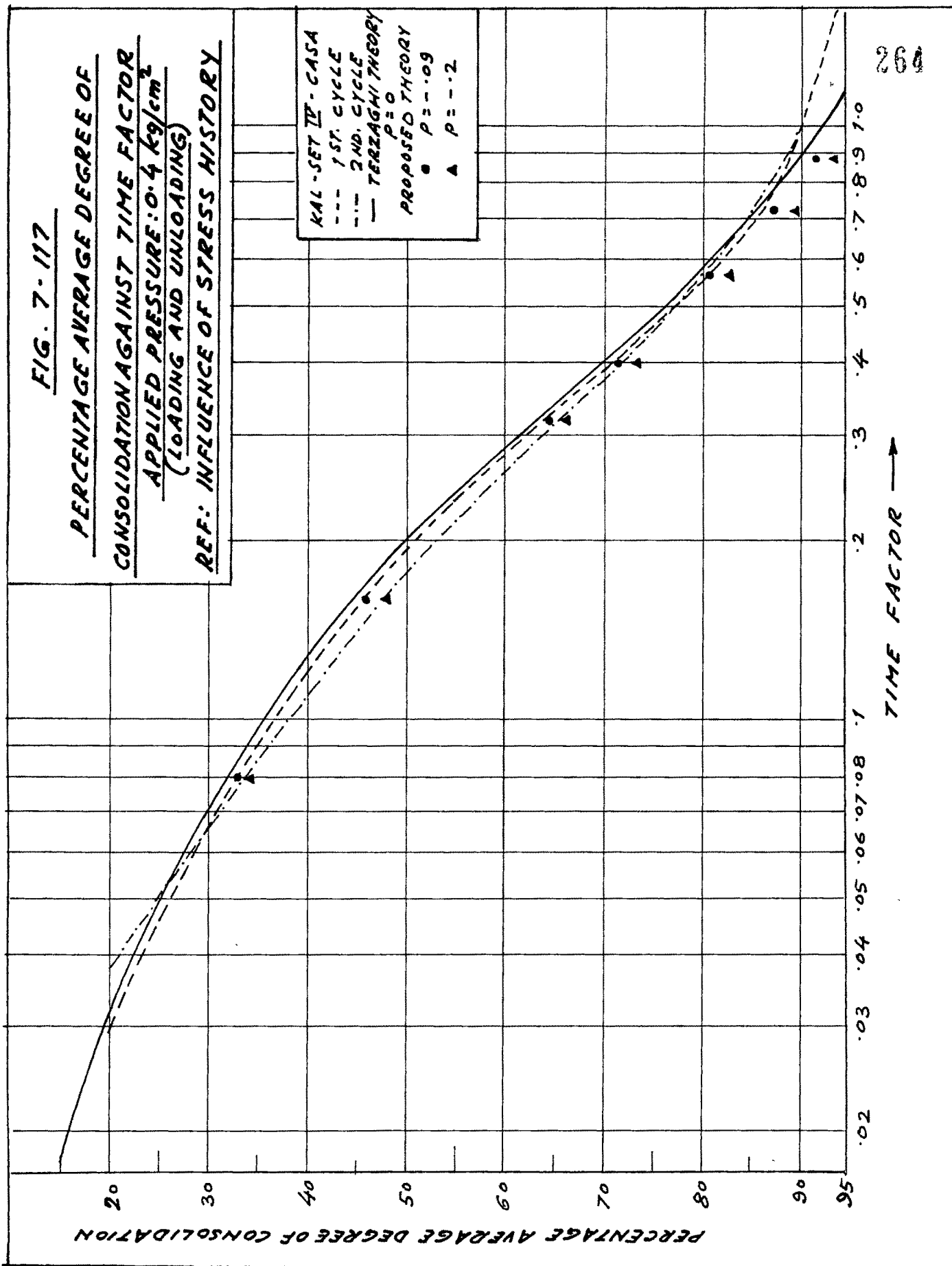


FIG. 7-118

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 3.2 kg/cm²
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

KAL-SET IF-CASA
--- 3RD. CYCLE
— TERZAGHI
THEORY
 $P = 0$
PROPOSED THEORY
• $P = +0.05$

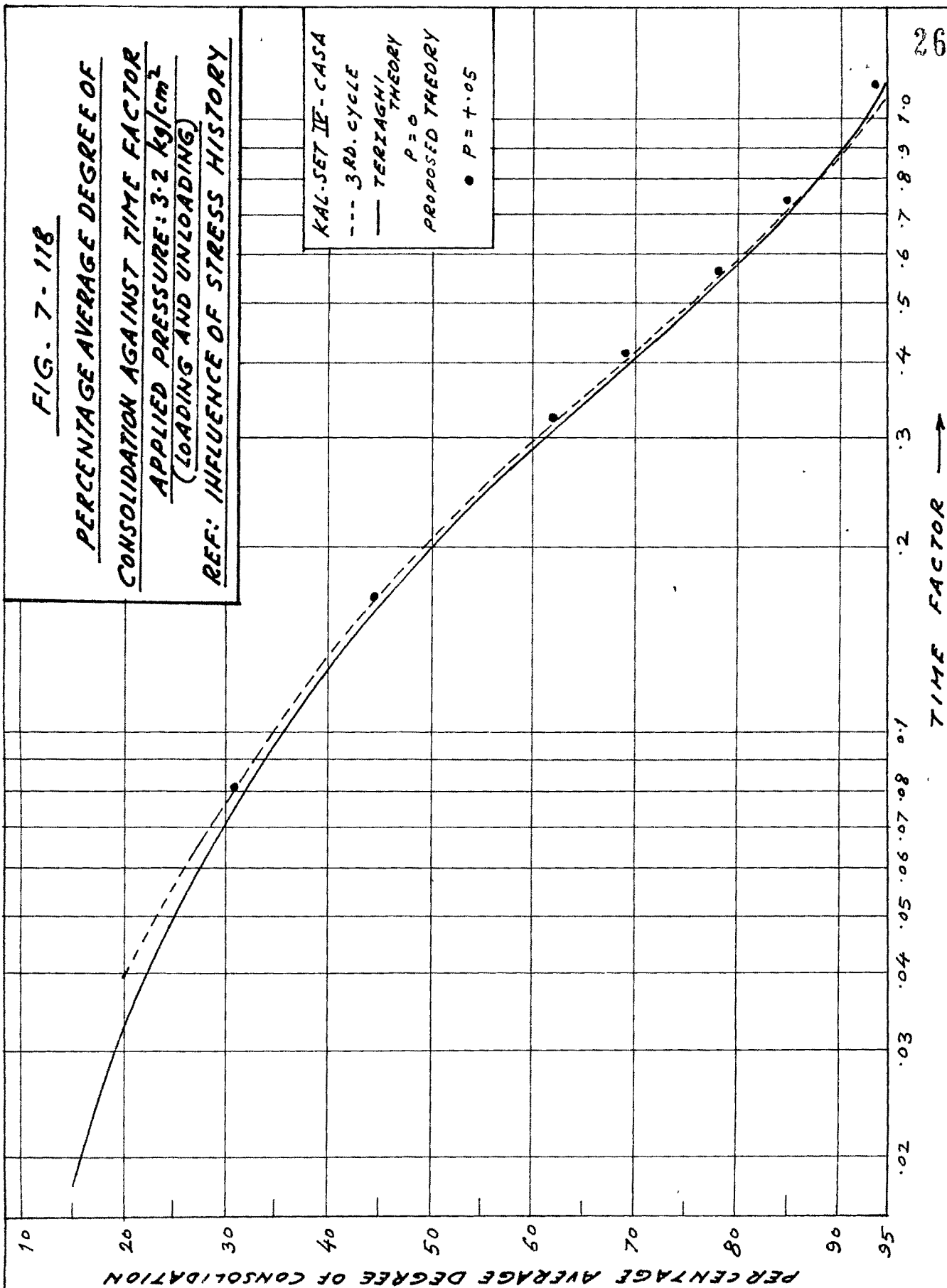


FIG. 7 - 119

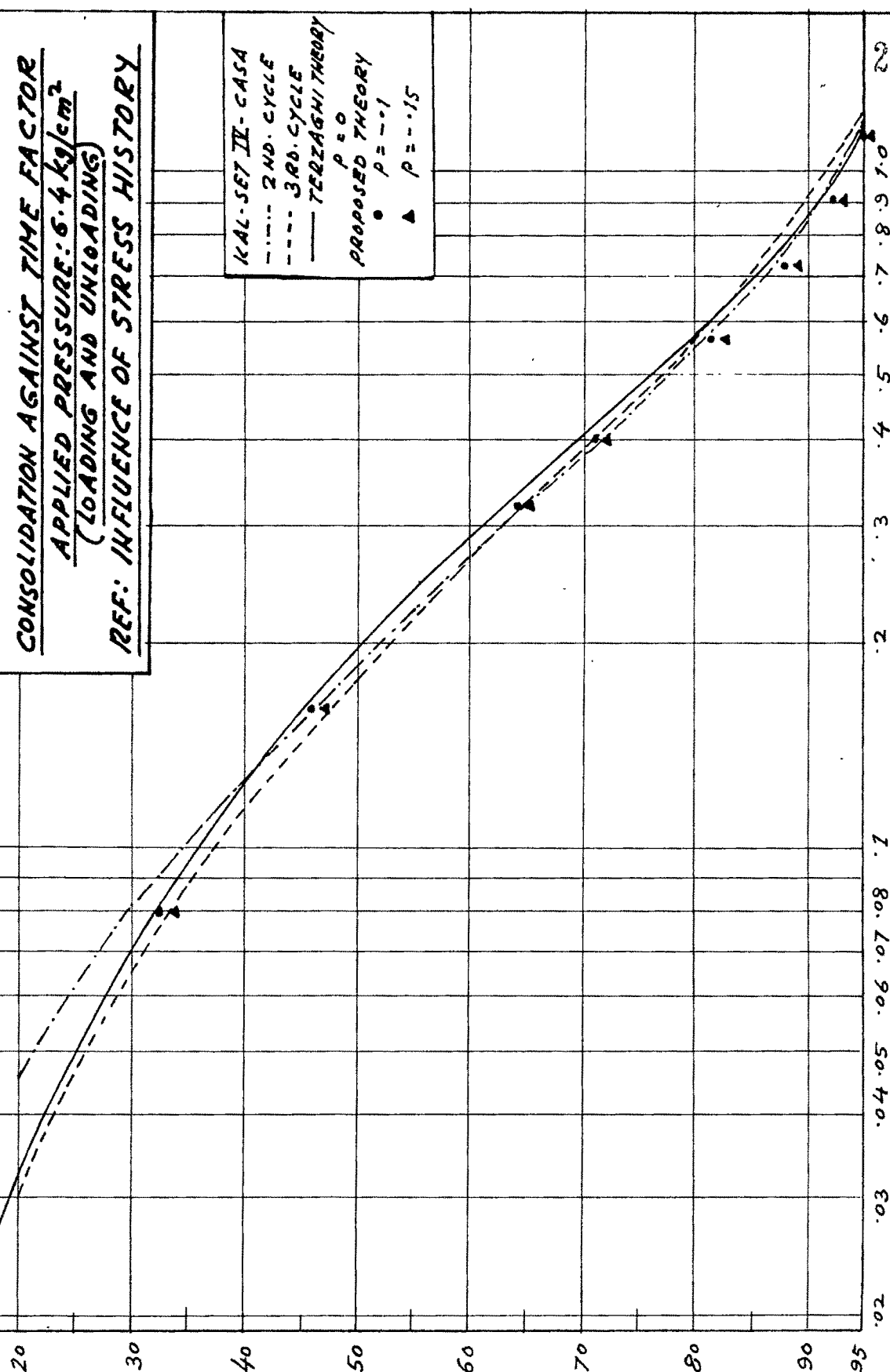
PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 6.4 kg/cm²
(LOADING AND UNLOADING)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR →

KAL-SET II - CASA
--- 2ND. CYCLE
--- 3RD. CYCLE
--- TERZAGHI THEORY
PROPOSED THEORY
● $p = 0$
▲ $p = -0.1$
▲ $p = -0.15$

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In the second set the deviation during the first cycle, though large initially, is reduced to 1.6% during higher loads. In the second and the third cycles, the deviations are found to be 2.25% and 3% respectively. In the third set, deviations of 2.5%, 4.5% and 3.0% are observed for the first, second and third cycles respectively. In the fourth set, experimental curves deviate by 1.6%, 3.8%, 1.0% for the first, second and third cycles.

Discussion :

The compression of saturated clay resulting from an increase in pressure can be visualised to occur primarily due to reorientation of particles and to a certain extent as a result of decrease in size of colloid micelle which causes structural adjustment. In other words, the work done over the saturated sample has to overcome the internal friction during the process and the Zeta potential energy of colloid micelle. Internal frictional resistance is partly due to the displacement of plate shaped clay particles along each other and partly due to the internal frictional resistance (viscosity) of pore water. On loading initially 'edge to face' or 'edge to edge' domains representing higher energy level tend to compress to 'face to face' domains depending on the magnitude and mode of loading. Under each successive loading and unloading there may

develops Lower Zeta potential energy on one hand; on the other hand the particles having reached their optimum structural positions, the loss of energy on displacement may decrease.

The experimental observations more or less support the above hypothesis. Under the first compression and decompression a fixed path for the movement of particle is established and consequently during further cycles of loading practically only a little bond resistance remains to be overcome. It is because of this lower resistance that the experimental observation of second and third cycles of loading and unloading shows initially an increase in C_v . An initial decrease in C_v value in case of the first cycle in the second set can be attributed to the mode of application of load. Since light loads may not be able to overcome the resistance of internal friction and potential energy of colloid micelle the C_v value is seen to decrease at initial loads but with increasing loads its value gradually increases and later tends to almost unchanged.

The void ratio-effective pressure relationship of kaolinite sample under first loading indicates establishment of parallel alignment of particles in the very first cycle. The exhibition of a slight elastic recovery is due to the imperfectness of adsorbed water in micelle. With increase of cycles of loading and unloading, interfacial grip progressively breaks up giving less and less hysteresis loop area. The initial

variation as seen in the tangent and secant modulus is due to the mode of load application. The C_c value varies only at lighter loads under the first loading but subsequently in all the cycles it remains constant. The change in the swelling index goes on decreasing with the cycles of loading as elastic recovery vanishes. As a result of breakdown of physico-chemical forces, the decrease in secondary compression can be expected at each successive loading and unloading cycle. After the first cycles of compression practically there is no hydrodynamic lag, and consequently not much variation in secondary compression is observed during the second and third cycles of compression. The compliance of Terzaghi primary theory with experimental observation of first cycle is evident.

B : Influence of Load Intensity

Analysis :

- (i) Coefficient of consolidation against degree of consolidation.

(Figures 7.120 to 7.123).

Under stress incremental ratios of four and eight, kaolinite sample shows a rapid decrease at an initial light load of $.01 \text{ kg/cm}^2$. With subsequent loads at increment stress ratios of two and four C_v tends to be constant while for increment stress ratios of eight, rapid increase in the value of C_v is seen upto about 70% consolidation after which it almost remains constant. Bentonite under an incremental ratio of one, shows a slight

FIG. 7-120

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION
(LOAD INTENSITY)

REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN²/HRT.

$KAL \cdot \frac{\Delta P}{P} = 2 - \text{CASA}$
 \bullet 0.3 kg/cm²
 \blacktriangle 2.7 kg/cm²
 $KAL \cdot \frac{\Delta P}{P} = 2 - \text{ROWE}$
 \circ 0.3 kg/cm²
 \triangle 0.9 kg/cm²

PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION

FIG. 7-121

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION
(LOAD INTENSITY)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN²/MIN.

$$KAL \cdot \frac{\Delta P}{P} = 4 - C_{ASA}$$

—●— 0.1 kg/cm²

—▲— 0.25 kg/cm²

—■— 6.25 kg/cm²

PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION (U)

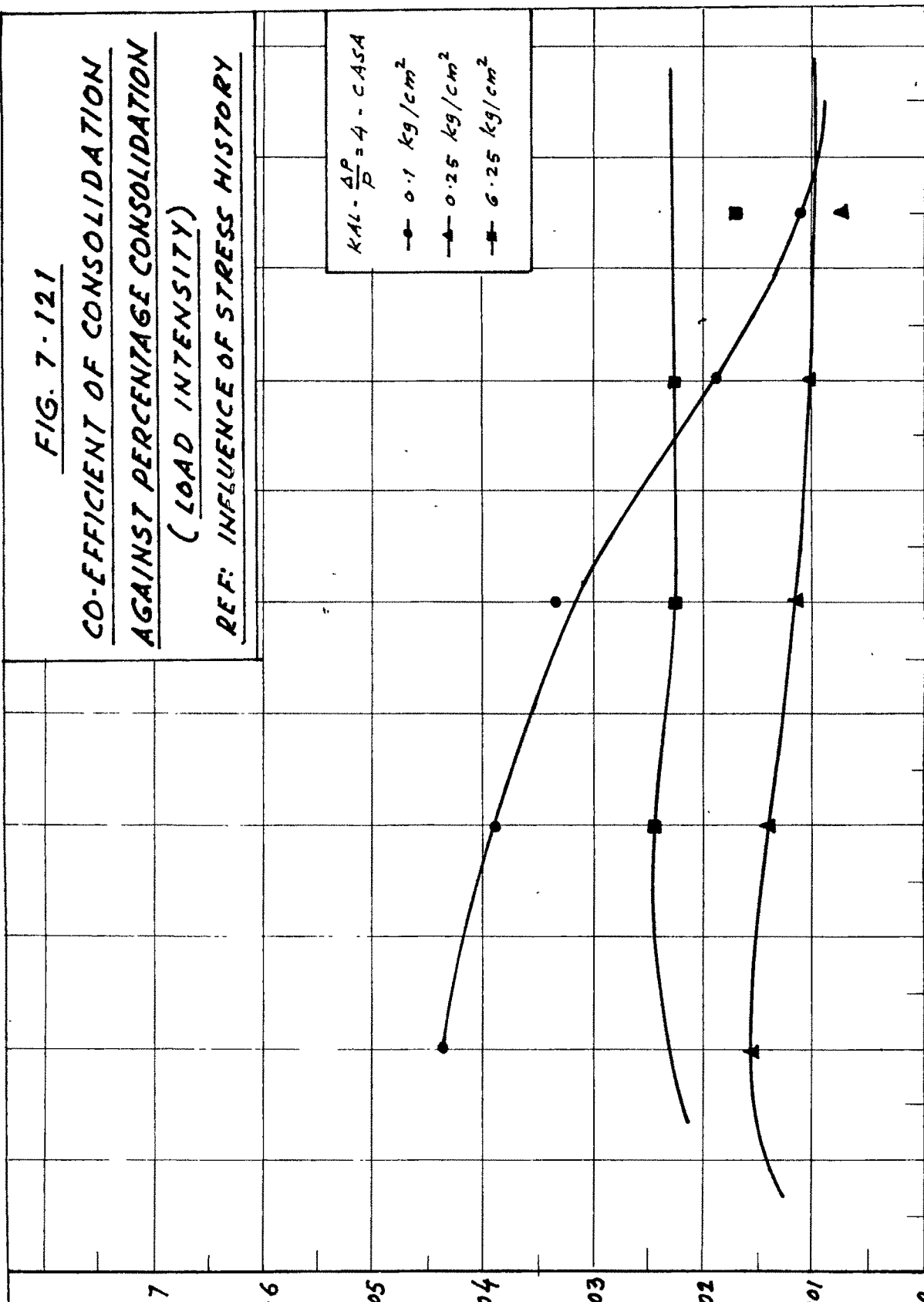


FIG. 7-122

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION
(LOAD INTENSITY)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

$$KAL - \frac{\Delta P}{\rho} = 8 - C A S A$$

—▲— .01 kg/cm²

—●— .09 kg/cm²

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN²/HRT

PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION (U)

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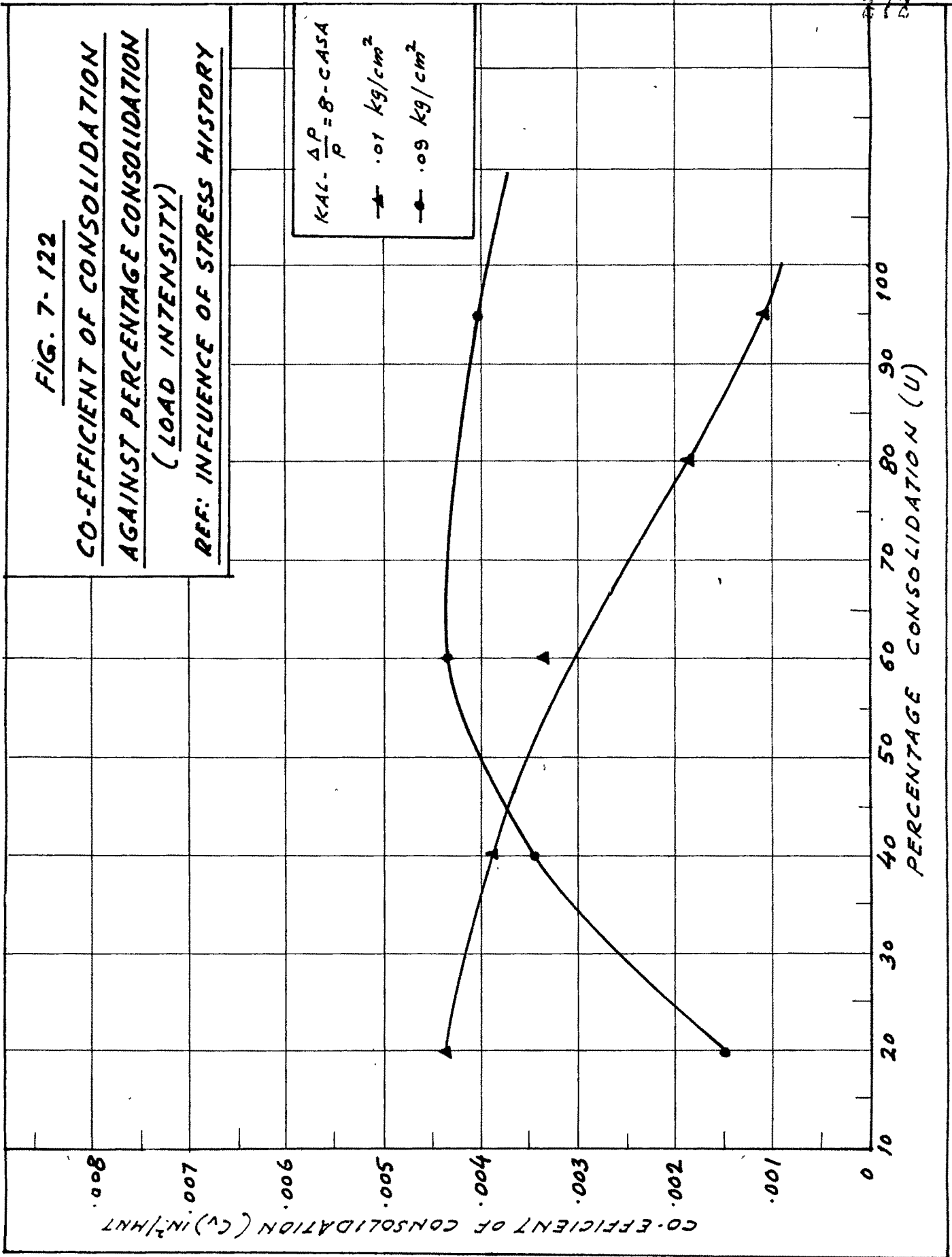


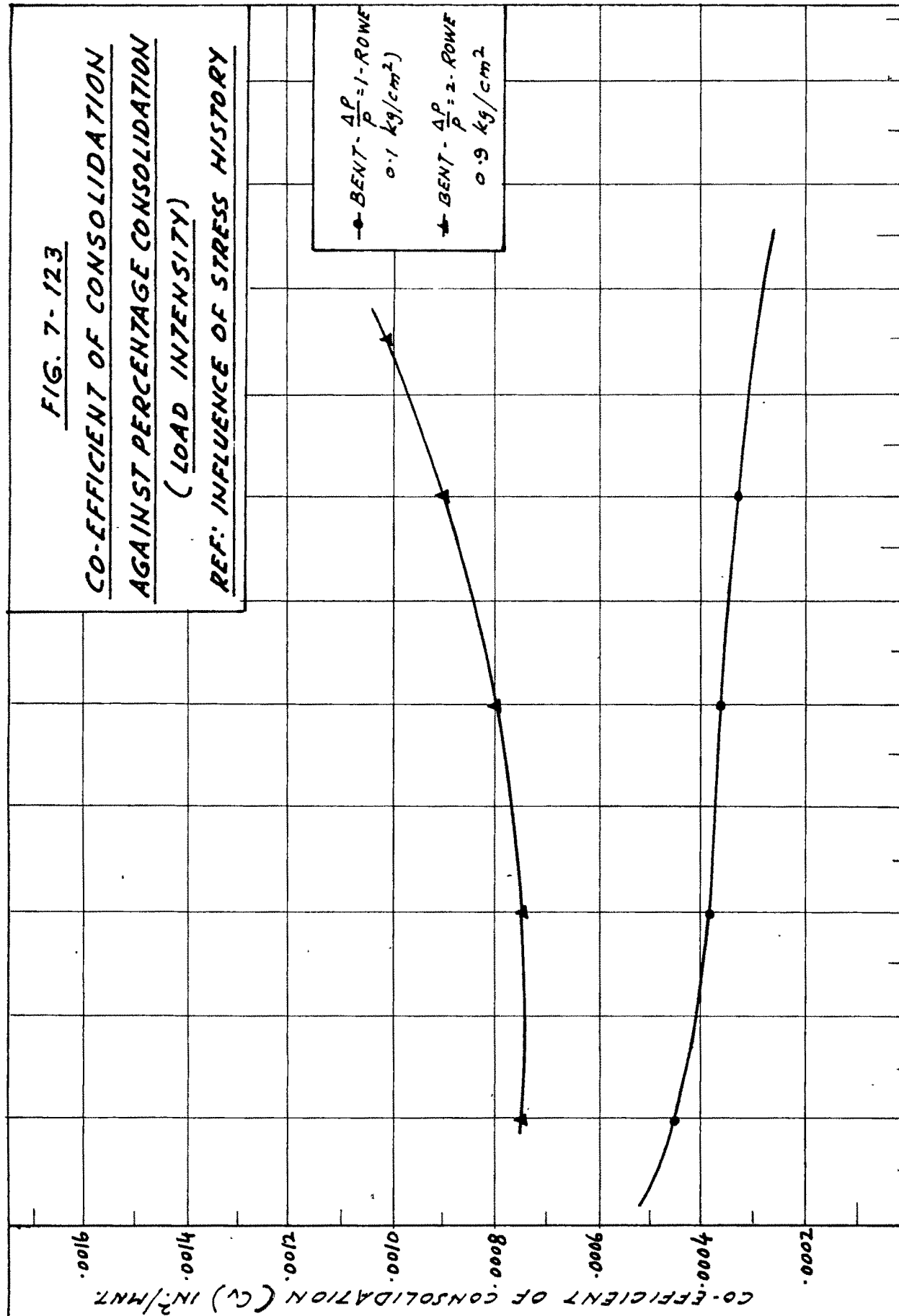
FIG. 7-123

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION
 (LOAD INTENSITY)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN²/HRT

• BENT - $\frac{\Delta P}{P} = 1$ - ROWE
 0.1 kg/cm²
 ▲ BENT - $\frac{\Delta P}{P} = 2$ - ROWE
 0.9 kg/cm²

PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION (U)



increase in the value of C_v while at increment stress ratio of two a slight decrease is seen.

- (ii) Coefficient of consolidation against applied effective pressure.

(Figure 7.124).

Under the stress increment ratios of two and four there is a decrease in the value of C_v at lighter loads but with higher loads it increases and then tends to become constant. But at stress increment ratio of eight there is a rapid rise of C_v value.

- (iii) Compression index against average applied effective pressure.

(Figure 7.125).

General nature represents a same family showing an initial hump which becomes narrower as incremental stress ratio increases. The compression index tends to attain a constant value earlier with the decrease in the incremental stress ratios from eight to four, two and one.

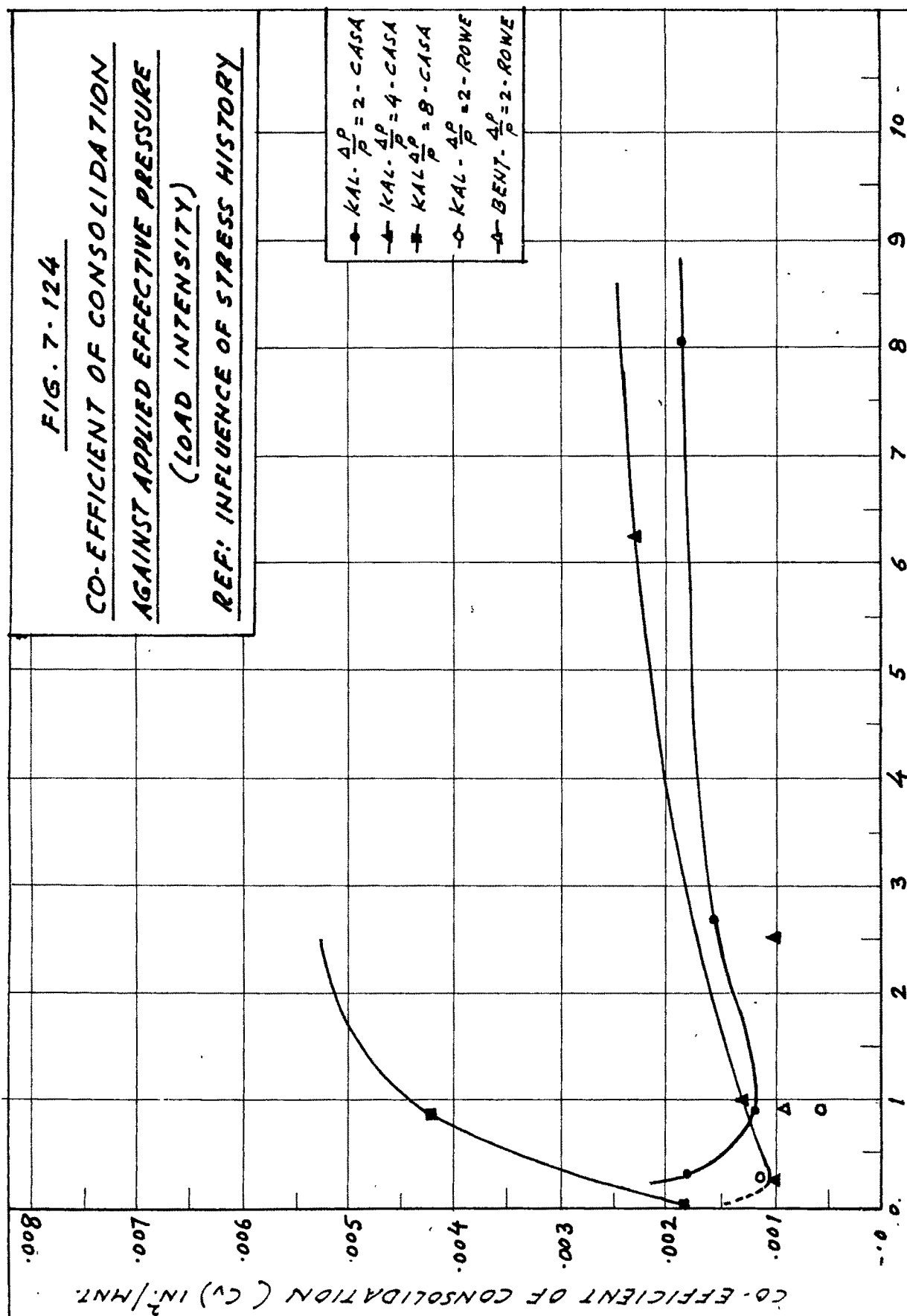
- (iv) Percentage secondary compression against effective applied pressure.

(Figure 7.126).

The general nature of curves indicates that percentage secondary compression increases with the increase in the load. For incremental stress ratio four and eight the rate with which the secondary compression decreases is however more rapid.

FIG. 7-124

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE
(LOAD INTENSITY)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY



APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm^2 (lbf/ft^2)

FIG. 7-125

COMPRESSION INDEX AGAINST
APPLIED AVERAGE EFFECTIVE PRESSURE
(LOAD INTENSITY)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

COMPRESSION INDEX - C_c

- $KAL \cdot \frac{\Delta P}{P} = 2 \text{ - CASH}$
- ▲— $KAL \cdot \frac{\Delta P}{P} = 4 \text{ - CASH}$
- $KAL \cdot \frac{\Delta P}{P} = 8 \text{ - CASH}$
- $KAL \cdot \frac{\Delta P}{P} = 2 \text{ - ROWE}$

APPLIED AVERAGE EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm^2

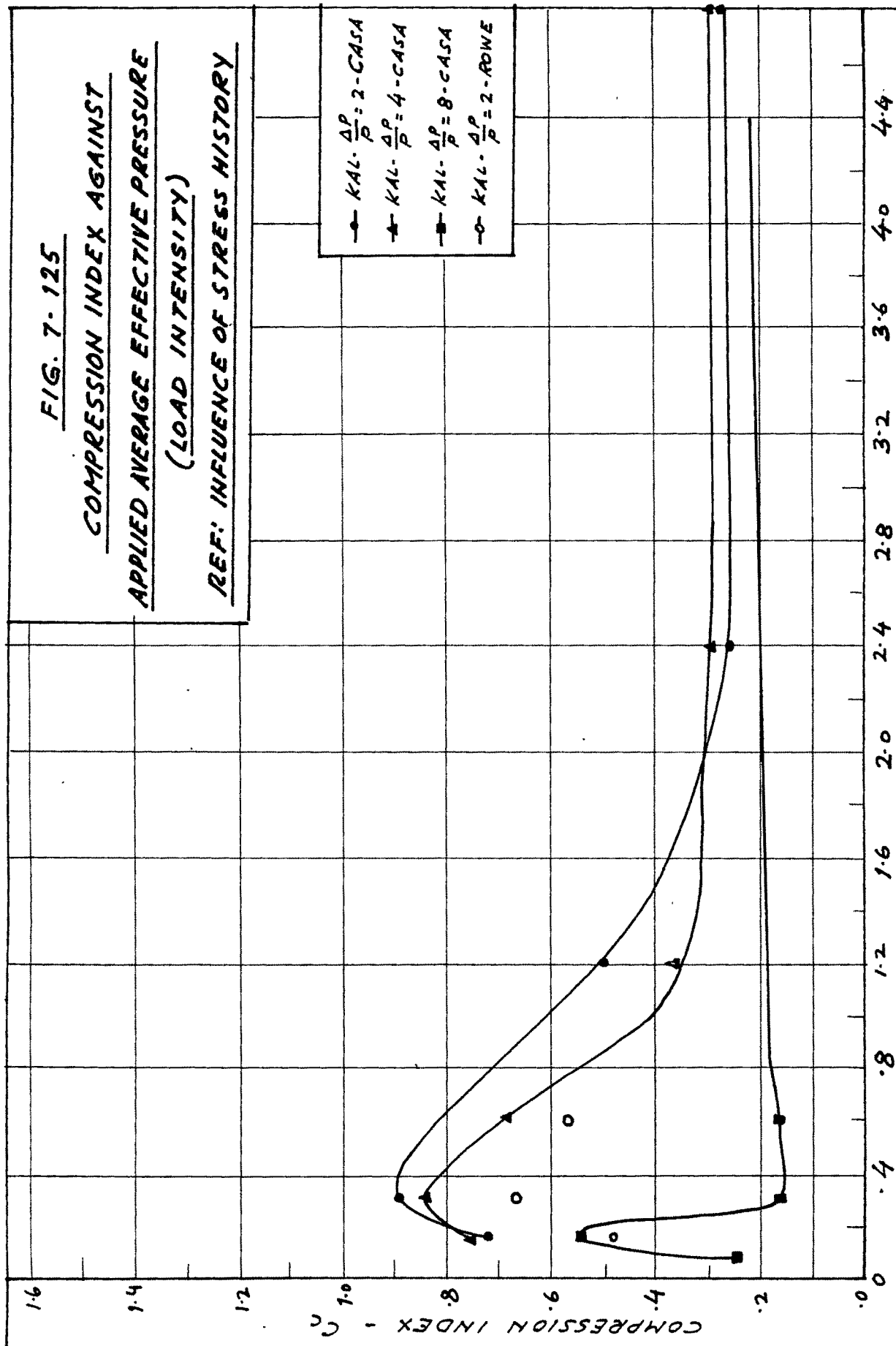
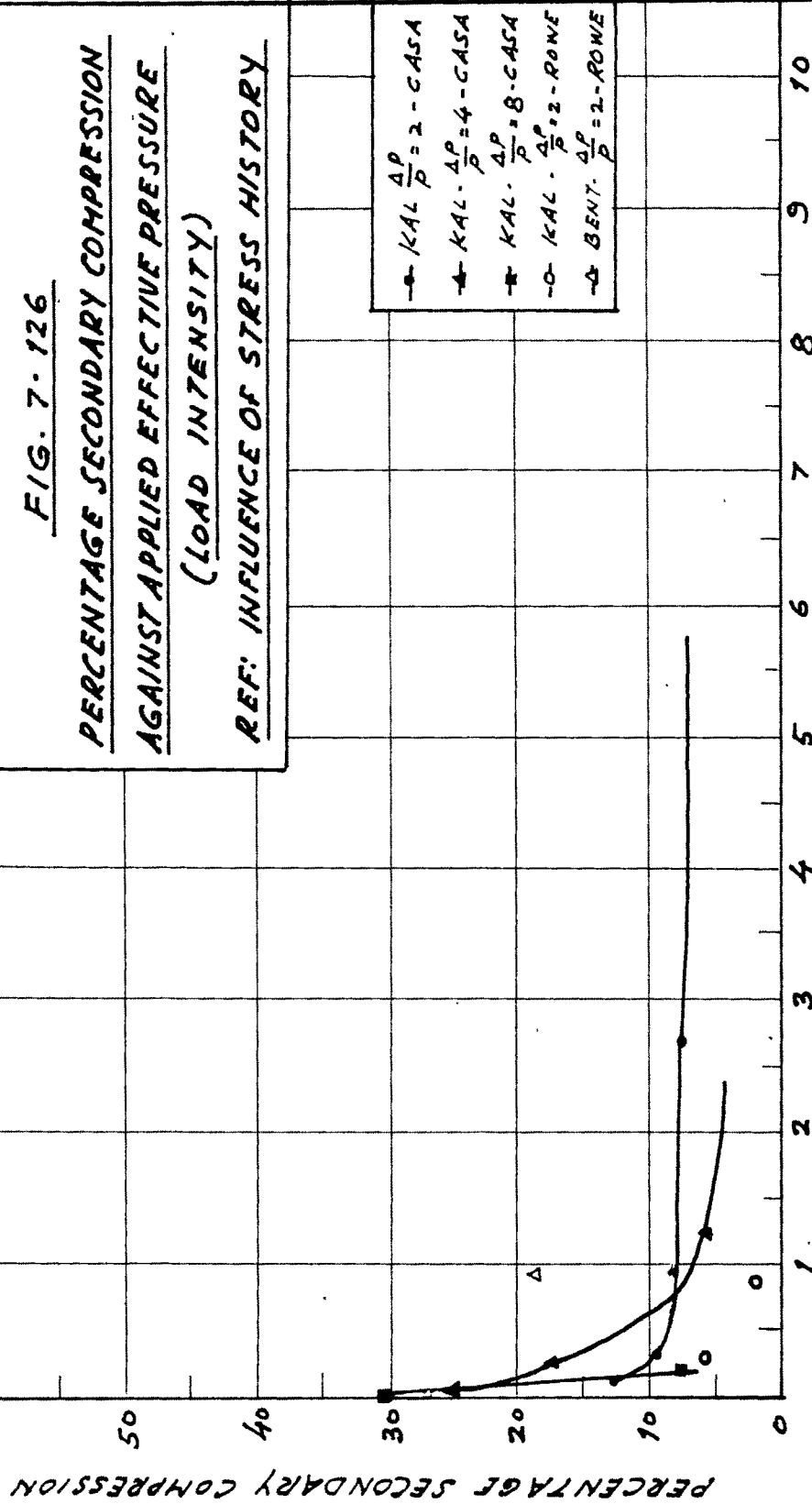


FIG. 7-126

PERCENTAGE SECONDARY COMPRESSION
AGAINST APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE
(LOAD INTENSITY)

REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY



APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm^2 (t/ft^2)

- (v) Parameter 'P' against effective applied pressure.
(Figures 7.127 and Figures 7.128 to 7.134).

At very light loads the curve with increment stress ratios of two fits closer to the Terzaghi curve. Deviations observed are 3% and 5.5% in experimental curves at increment stress ratios of two and four respectively.

Discussion :

The influence of the load intensity on the consolidation characteristics can be explained in terms of structural variations of the clay configuration. The resultant deformation is dependent on the bond resistance and the ability of individual particle to take position of equilibrium. Under lower load intensity the resultant compression will be small as readjustment of particles to new positions of equilibrium is achieved with minimum displacement and without generation of large pore pressures. On the other hand if the load intensity is high, initially the particles cannot easily readjust to position of equilibrium since the rate of application is sufficiently more than the rate at which the pore pressure can dissipate. It is only when there occurs a complete collapse of the bonds that the displacement of particles takes place producing dissipation of pore pressures.

The first light load is resisted by physico-chemical bond strength at various contact points is time dependent show a reduction in c_v value during consolidation process. Under

FIG. 7-127

PARAMETER 'P' AGAINST
APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE

(LOAD INTENSITY)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

PARAMETER 'P'

+ .7
+ .6
+ .5
+ .4
+ .3
+ .2
+ .1
P=0
- .1
- .2
- .3
- .4
- .5
- .6

- ▲ $KAL \frac{\Delta P}{P} = 1 - C.A.S.A$
- $KAL \frac{\Delta P}{P} = 2 - C.A.S.A$
- $KAL \frac{\Delta P}{P} = 4 - C.A.S.A$
- $KAL \frac{\Delta P}{P} = 8 - C.A.S.A$
- $KAL \frac{\Delta P}{P} = 2 - R.O.W.E$

APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm²

8.8 8.0 7.2 6.4 5.6 4.8 4.0 3.2 2.4 1.6 .8

FIG. 7. 128

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
(LOAD INTENSITY)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

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TIME FACTOR →

--- KAL. $\frac{\Delta P}{P} = 2$ - C.A.S.A.
 $P = 8.1 \text{ kg/cm}^2$
- - - KAL. $\frac{\Delta P}{P} = 4$ - C.A.S.A.
 $P = 6.25 \text{ kg/cm}^2$
— TERZAGHI THEORY
 $P = 0$
PROPOSED THEORY
● $P = -0.2$
▲ $P = -0.25$

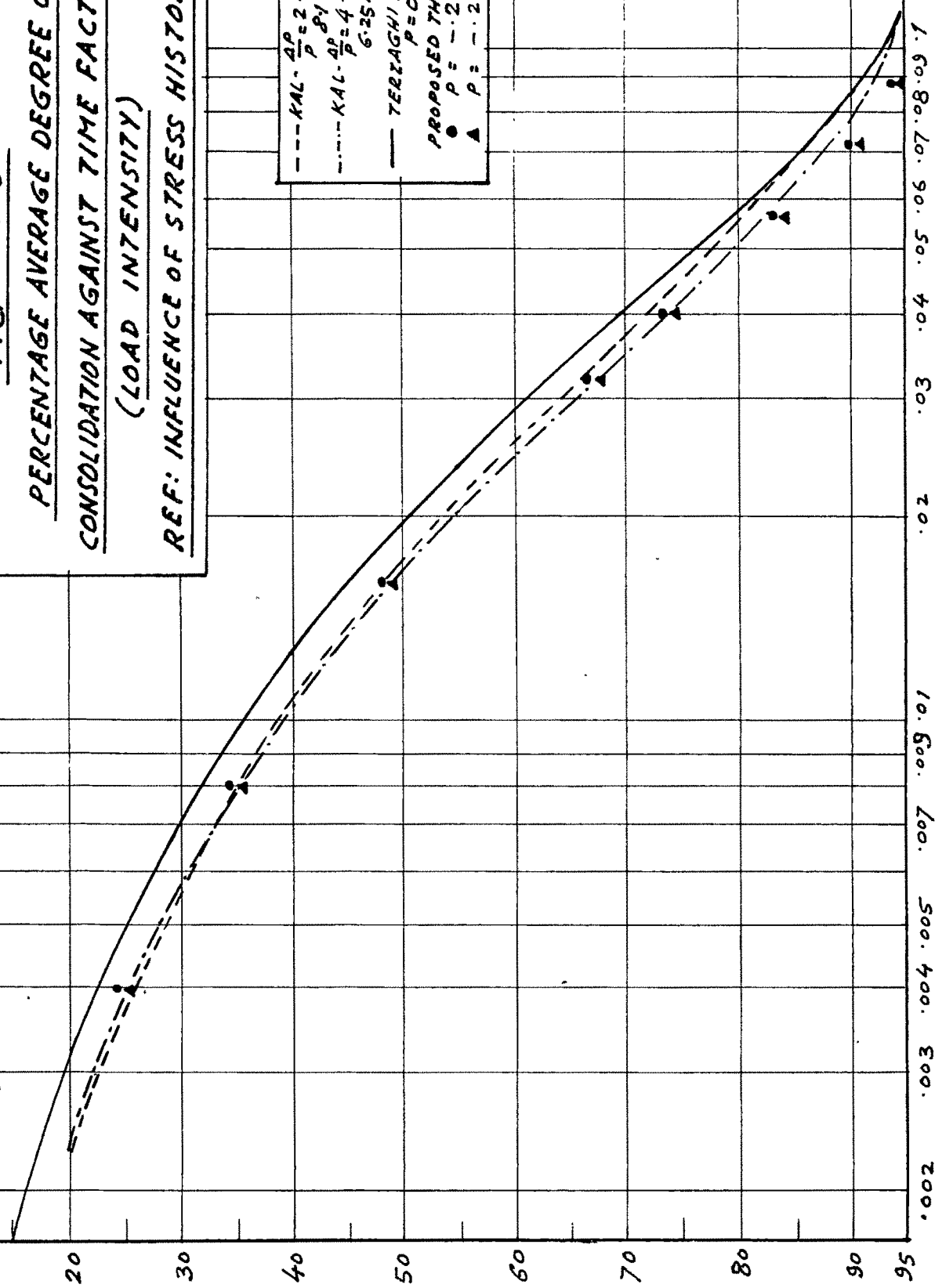


FIG. 7- 129

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
(LOAD INTENSITY)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR →

--- KAL. $\frac{AP}{P} = 4$ - CASHA
P 1.25 kg/cm²
--- KAL. $\frac{AP}{P} = 2$ - CASHA
P 2.7 kg/cm²
— TERRAGHI THEORY
P = 0
PROPOSED THEORY
● P = -.17
▲ P = -.13

FIG. 7-130

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
(LOAD INTENSITY)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR →

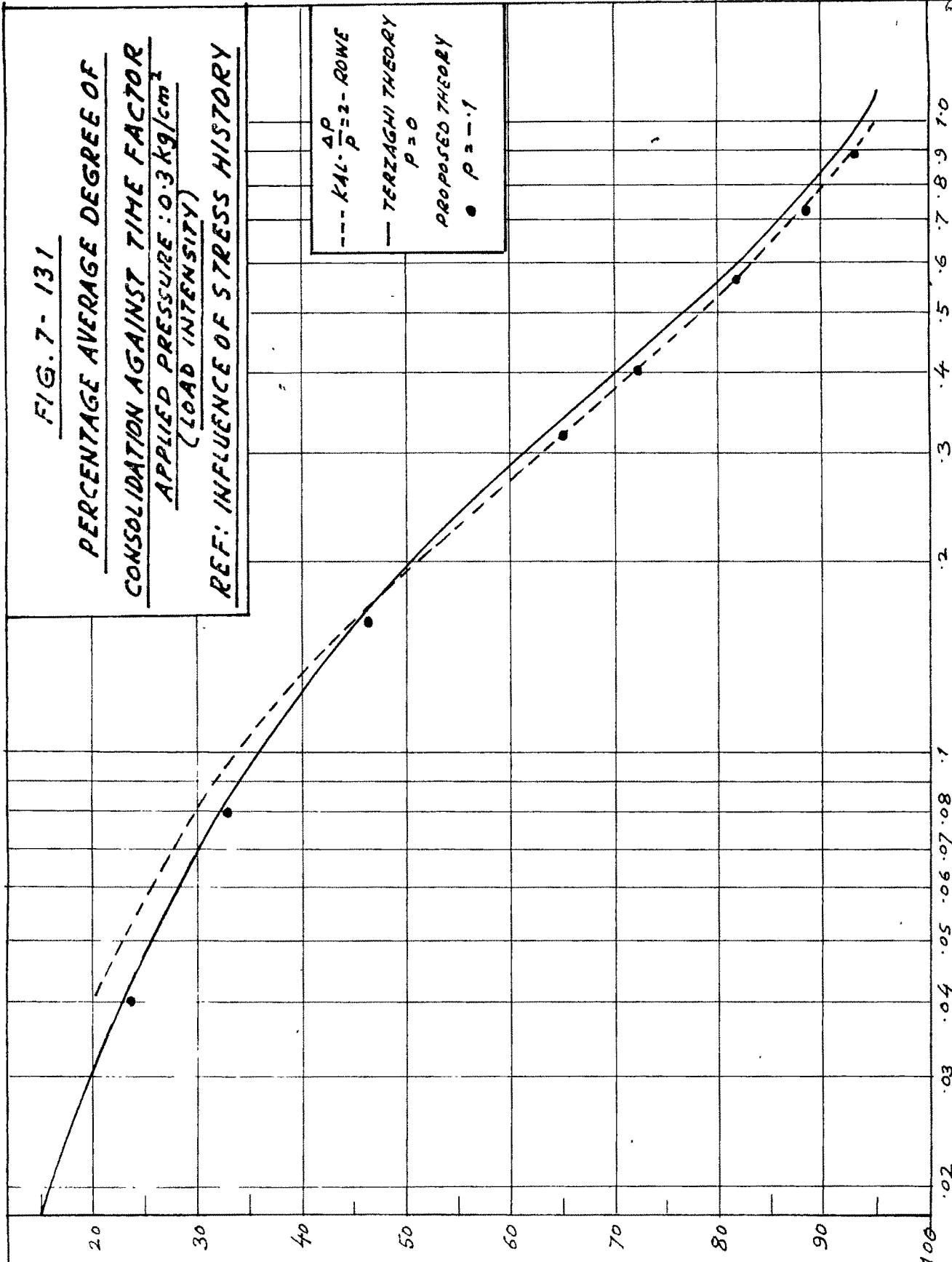
--- KAL. $\frac{AP}{P} = 2$ - C.A.S.A.
- - - - KAL. $\frac{AP}{P} = 4$ - C.A.S.A.
- - - - KAL. $\frac{AP}{P} = 0.25$ kg/cm²
- - - - KAL. $\frac{AP}{P} = 8$ - C.A.S.A.
- - - - KAL. $\frac{AP}{P} = 0.09$ kg/cm²
— TERZAGHI THEORY
PROPOSED THEORY
• $P = -0.15$
▲ $P = -0.45$
■ $P = -0.45$

FIG. 7- 131

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.3 kg/cm^2
(LOAD INTENSITY)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

--- $K_{AL} \cdot \frac{\Delta P}{P} = 2 - \text{ROWE}$
— TERZAGHI THEORY
 $P = 0$
PROPOSED THEORY
● $P = -1$



TIME FACTOR →

FIG. 7.132

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.9 kg/cm^2
(LOAD INTENSITY)
REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

100

90

80

70

60

50

40

30

20

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TIME FACTOR →

0.02 0.03 0.04 0.05 0.06 0.07 0.08 0.09 0.10 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5 0.6 0.7 0.8 0.9 1.0

--- KAL - $\frac{\Delta P}{P} = 2 \cdot \text{CASA}$
-□- BENT - $\frac{\Delta P}{P} = 2 \cdot \text{CASA}$
— TERZAGHI THEORY
PROPOSED THEORY
● $p = +.09$
▲ $p = -.15$

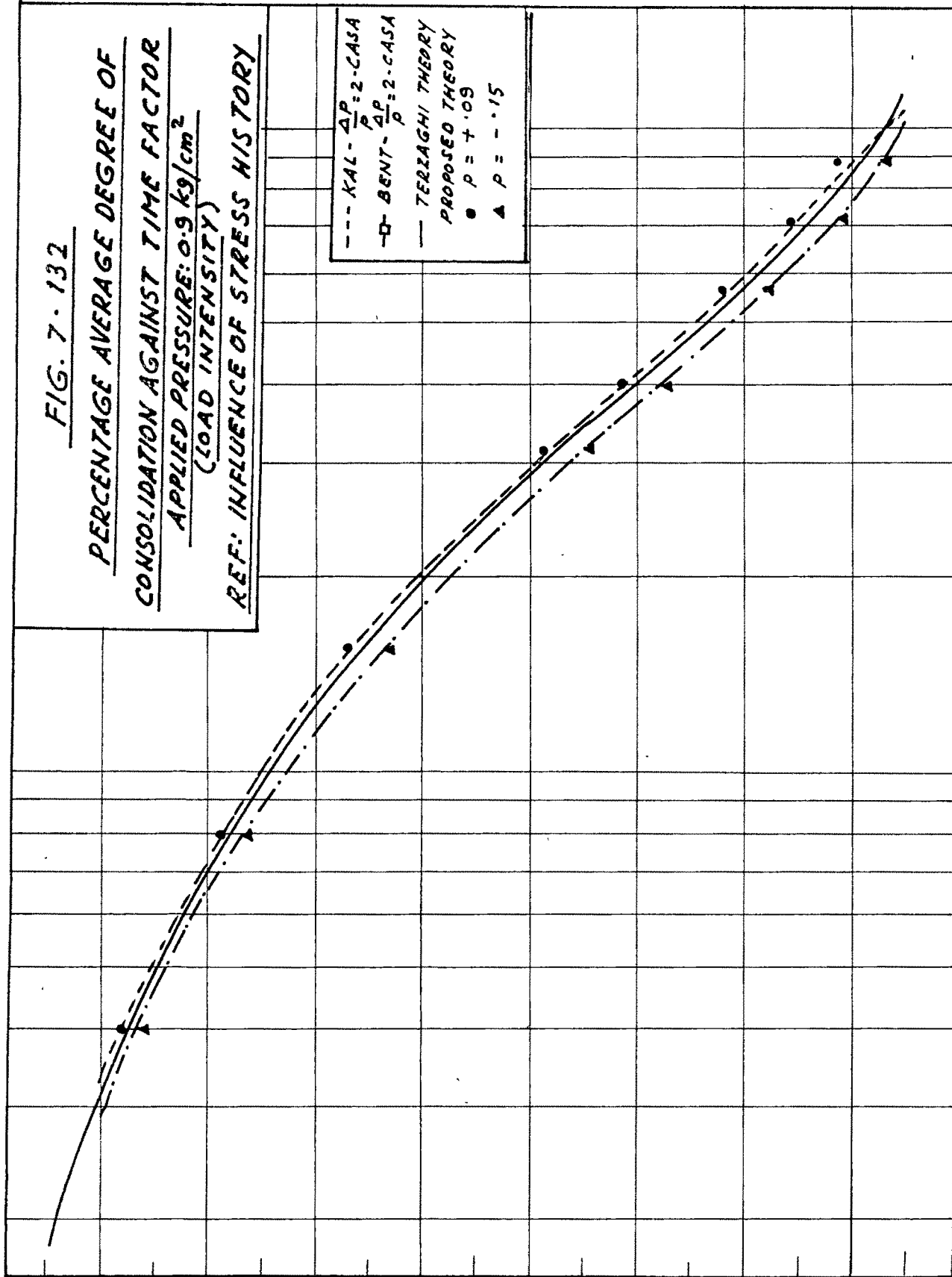


FIG. 7-133

PERCENTAGE MIDPLANE CONSOLIDATION

AGAINST TIME FACTOR

APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.9 kg/cm^2
(LOAD INTENSITY)

REF: INFLUENCE OF STRESS HISTORY

PERCENTAGE MID PLANE CONSOLIDATION ($\% U_M = 0.5$)

--- BENT- $\frac{\Delta P}{P} = 2$ -
 TERZAGHI
 THEORY
 $P = 0$
 PROPOSED THEORY
 $\bullet P = -0.5$

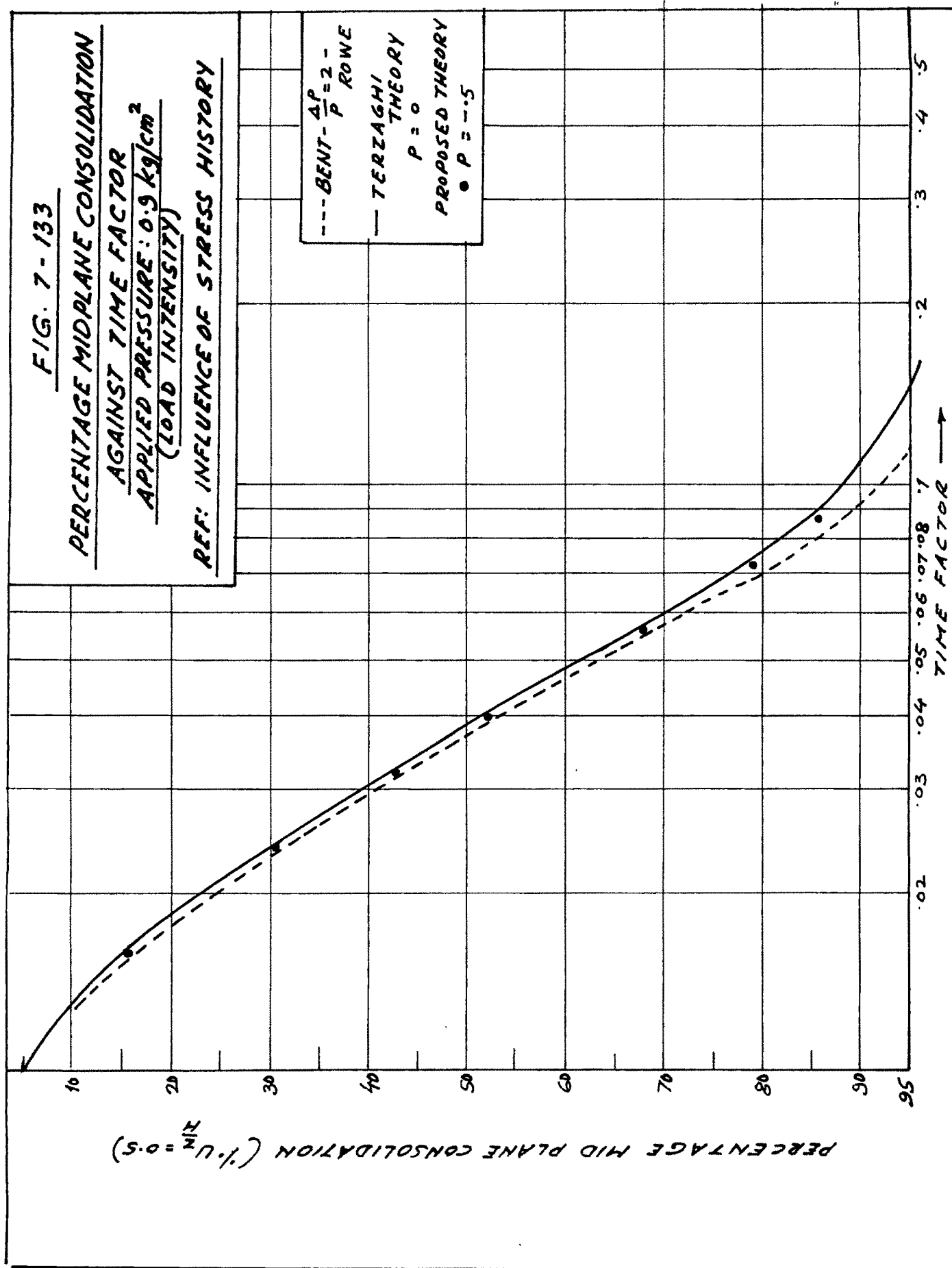
TIME FACTOR \rightarrow 

FIG. 7-134

PERCENTAGE MID PLANE CONSOLIDATION

AGAINST TIME FACTOR

APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.3 kg/cm^2

(LOAD INTENSITY)

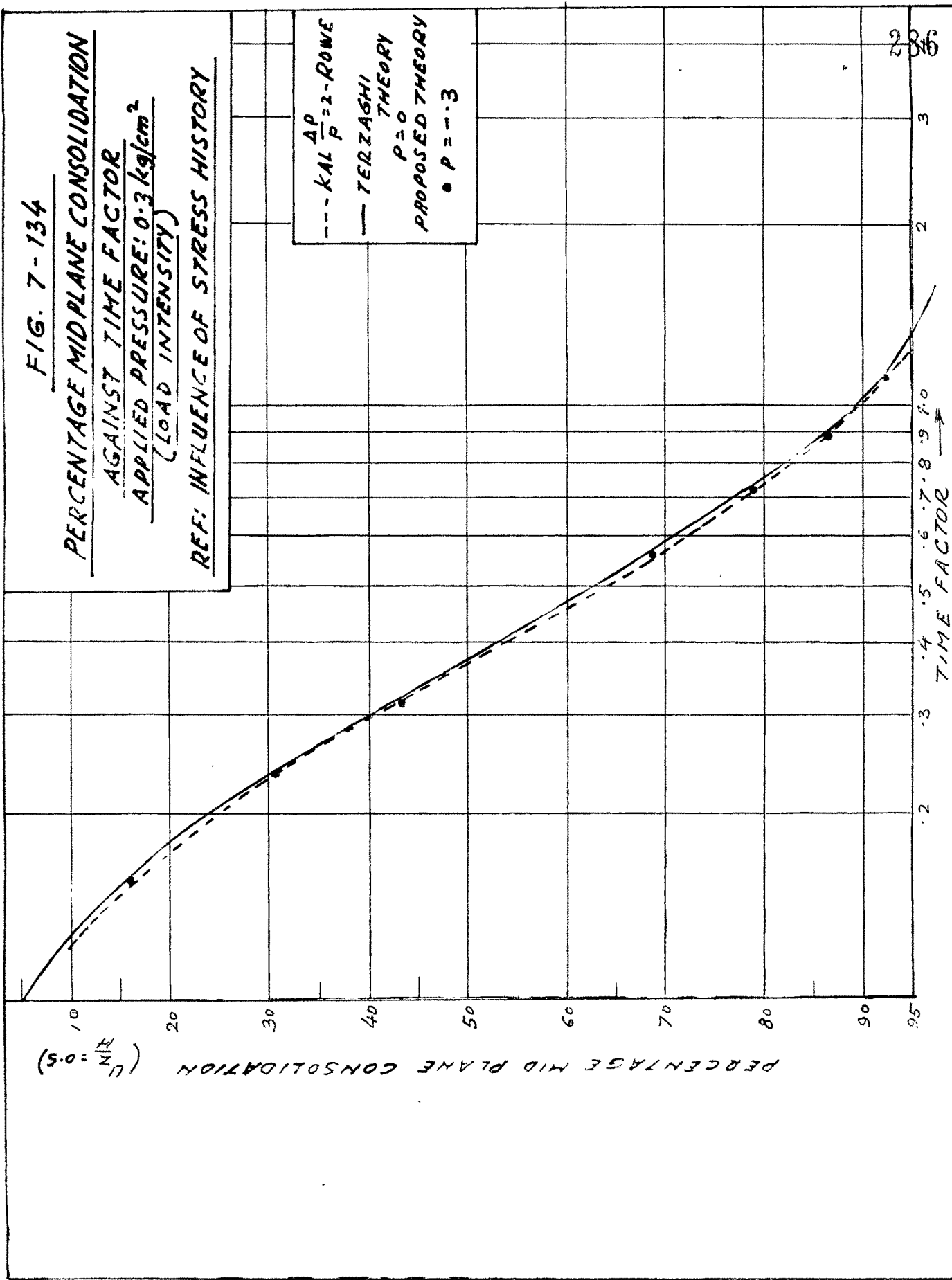
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PERCENTAGE MID PLANE CONSOLIDATION ($U_{M\%} = 0.5$)

--- KAL $\frac{\Delta P}{P} = 2$ - ROWE
 — TERZAGHI
 $P = 0$ THEORY
 PROPOSED THEORY
 • $P = -0.3$

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TIME FACTOR



moderate incremental stress ratio when the resistance is minimum a slight increase in C_v value tending to a constancy is possible, but at very high incremental stress ratios the rapid increase in C_v value is due to total collapse of bonds leading to complete displacement of particles during the consolidation process. It can be also argued that during lighter loads the structural viscosity of clay water system dominates the effect of stress ratio showing the decrease in the value of C_v . At high increment stress ratios, physico-chemical effect is completely destroyed which is evident from the nature of the plot of compression index against applied average pressure. The explanation for decrease in the secondary compression with higher incremental stress ratios is due to the dormancy of the physico-chemical forces.

7.3.5. Drainage Path

Refer Figures 7.135 to 7.159 which are reproduced from the original plots of Figures H 142 to H 157 and H.257 to H.285 reported in Appendix H of Volume II.

A : Orientation of Drainage Path

Analysis :

- (i) Coefficient of consolidation against percentage consolidation.

(Figures 7.135 to 7.137).

The samples taken in the vertical, horizontal and inclined directions do not show much variation in the C_v value during the

FIG. 7-135

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION
(ORIENTATION OF DRAINAGE PATH)
REF: INFLUENCE OF DRAINAGE PATH

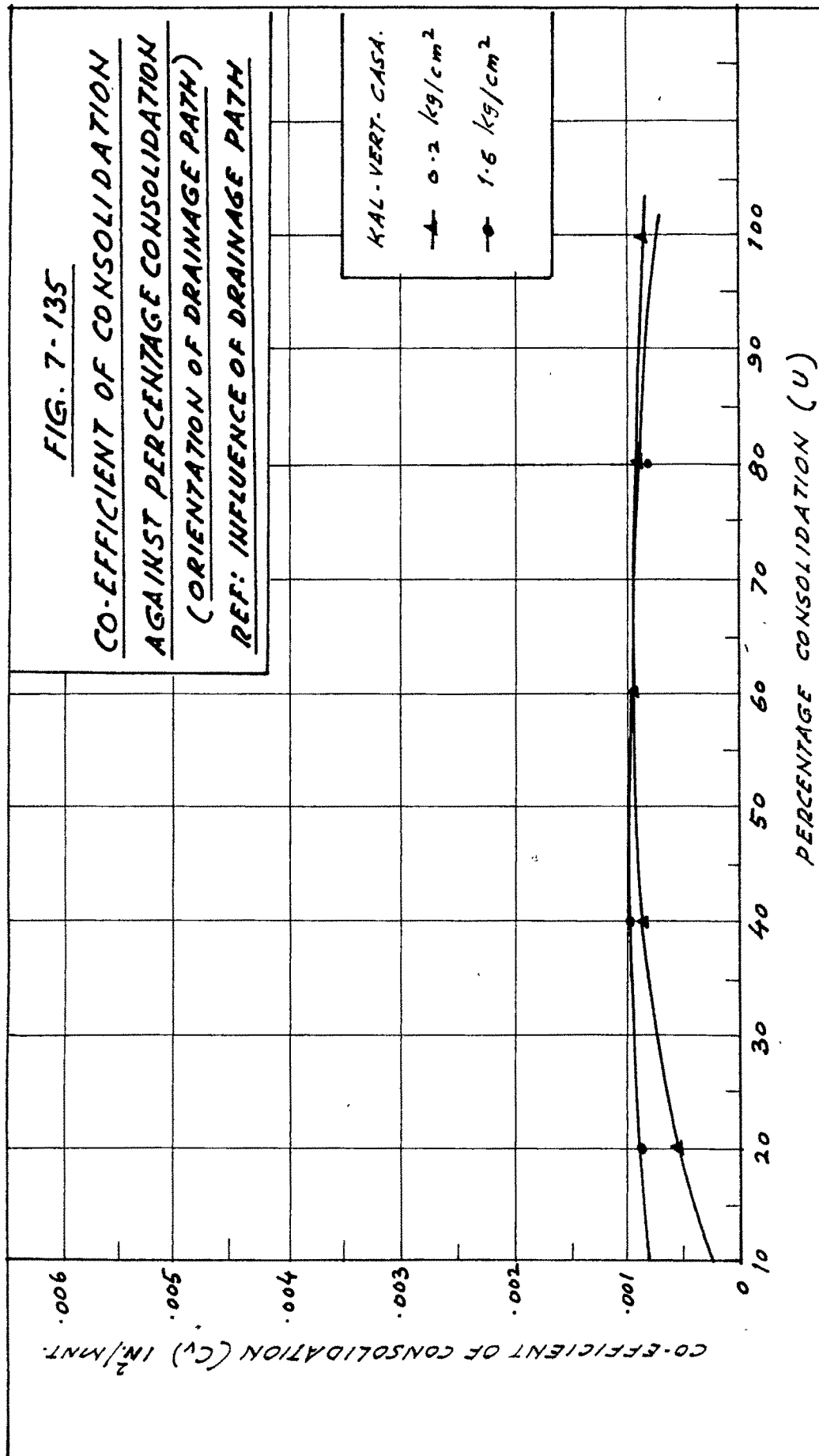


FIG. 7-136

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION
(ORIENTATION OF DRAINAGE PATH)
REF: INFLUENCE OF DRAINAGE PATH

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN²/HRT

PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION (U)

KAL - HORZ - CASH

—●— 0.2 kg/cm²

—▲— 1.6 kg/cm²

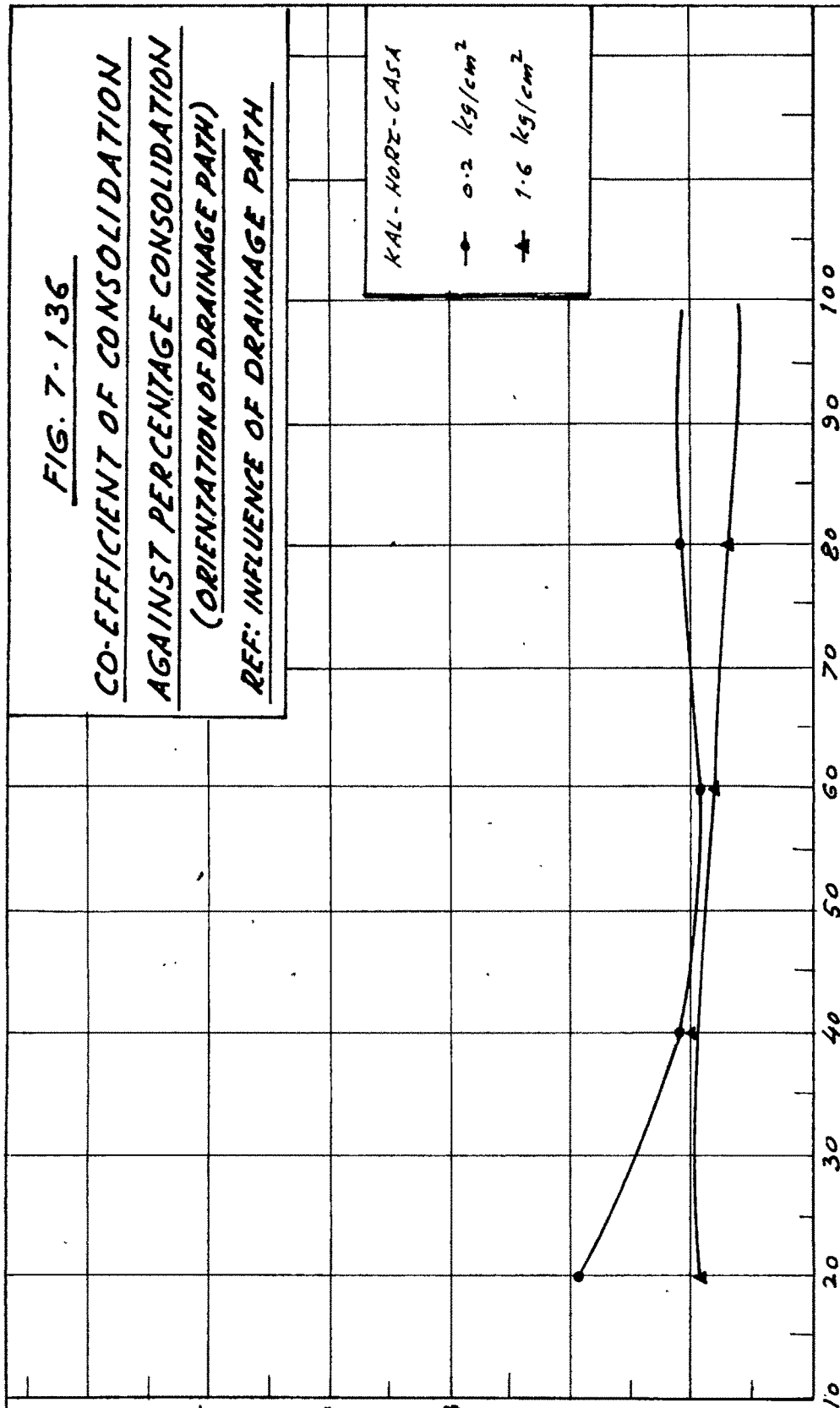
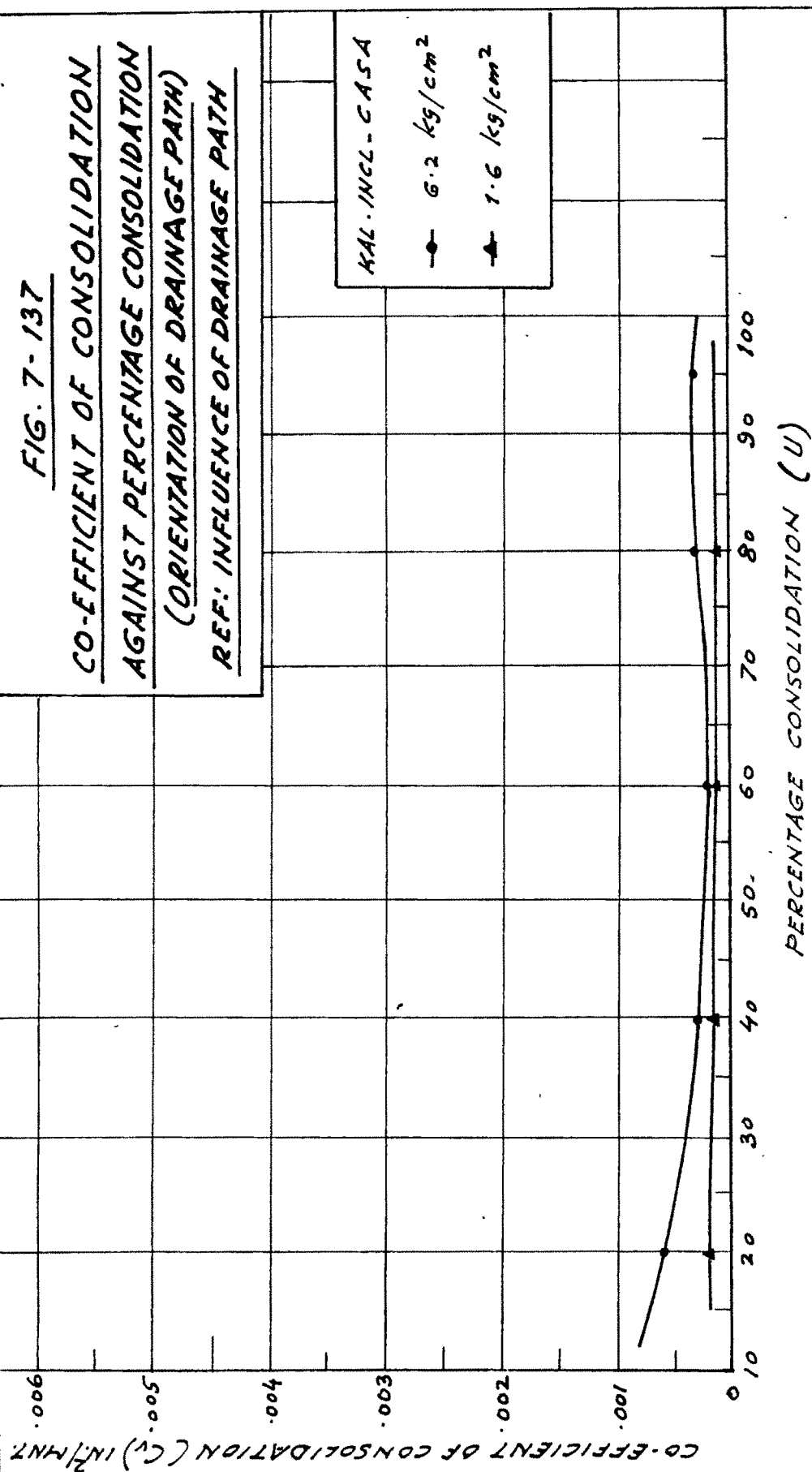


FIG. 7-137

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION
(ORIENTATION OF DRAINAGE PATH)
REF: INFLUENCE OF DRAINAGE PATH



process of consolidation. At light loads while the horizontal sample shows a decrease initially, the verticle sample shows slight increase in the initial stages of consolidation.

- (ii) Coefficient of consolidation against applied effective pressure.

(Figure 7.138).

At light loads the C_v value decreases rather rapidly but after about 1 kg/cm^2 a slight increase is noticeable. The decrease is comparatively more rapid in case of horizontal samples, but at higher loads the magnitude of C_v is almost the same.

- (iii) Compression index against applied average effective pressure.

(Figure 7.139).

The general characteristics of all the samples are more or less similar showing a humpy curve. Horizontal sample gives a larger hump while the vertical sample shows a low or no hump in the initial portion of the curve. The inclined π sample exhibits intermediate characteristics.

- (iv) Percentage secondary compression against applied effective pressure.

(Figure 7.140).

It seems from the experimental curves that the degree of secondary compression is not much affected. With increase in load the secondary compression decreases as usual.

FIG. 7-138

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE
(ORIENTATION OF DRAINAGE PATH)
REF: INFLUENCE OF DRAINAGE PATH

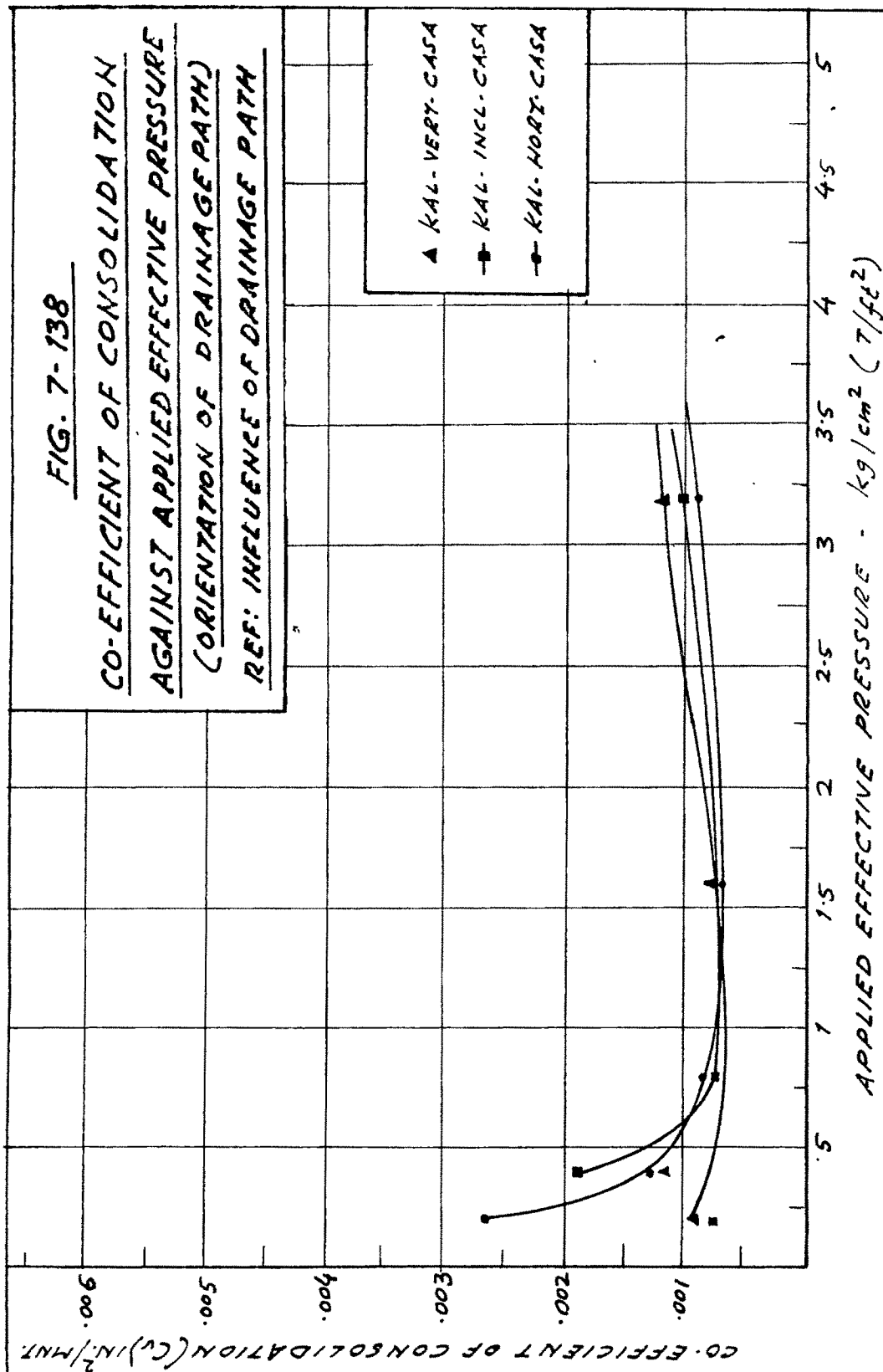
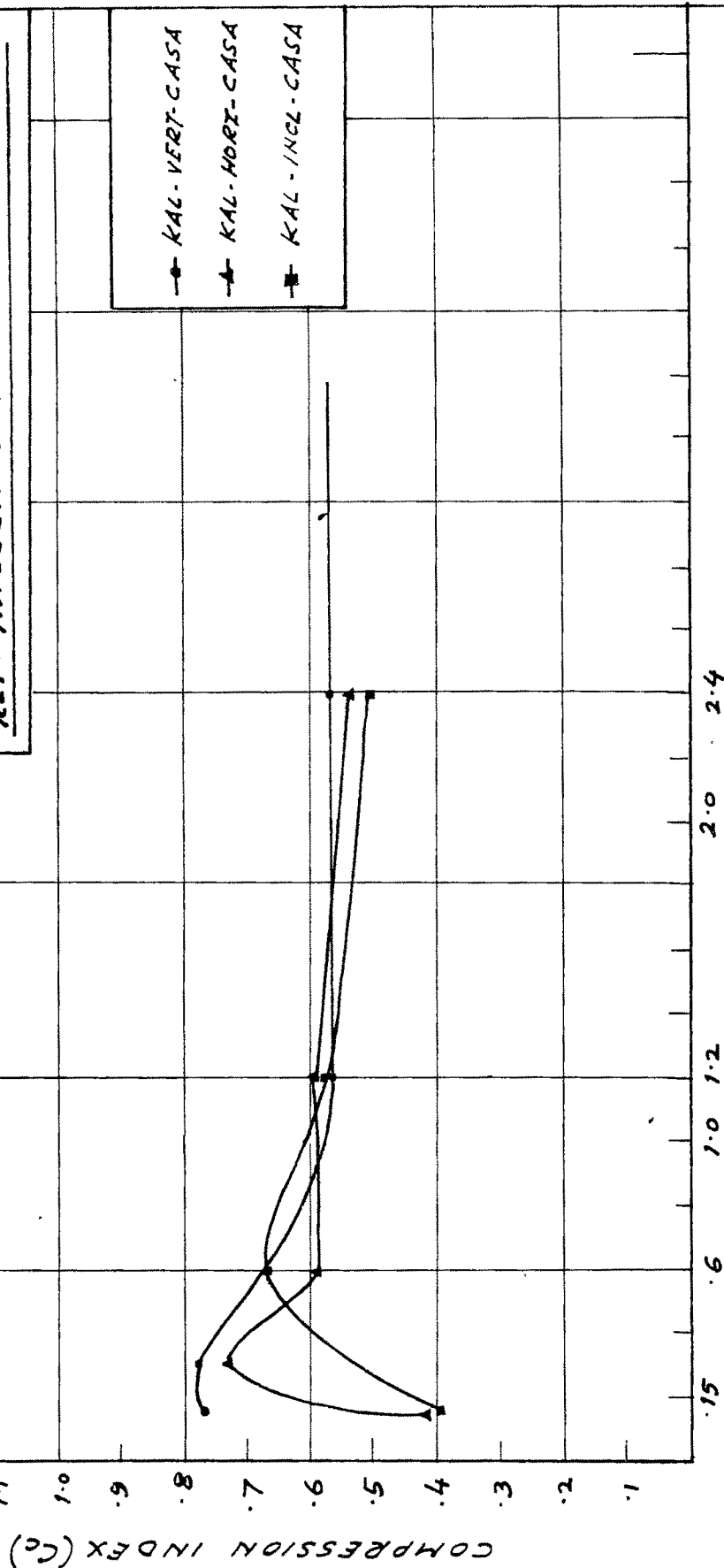


FIG. 7-139

COMPRESSION INDEX AGAINST APPLIED
AVERAGE EFFECTIVE PRESSURE
(ORIENTATION OF DRAINAGE PATH)
REF: INFLUENCE OF DRAINAGE PATH



APPLIED AVERAGE EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm^2

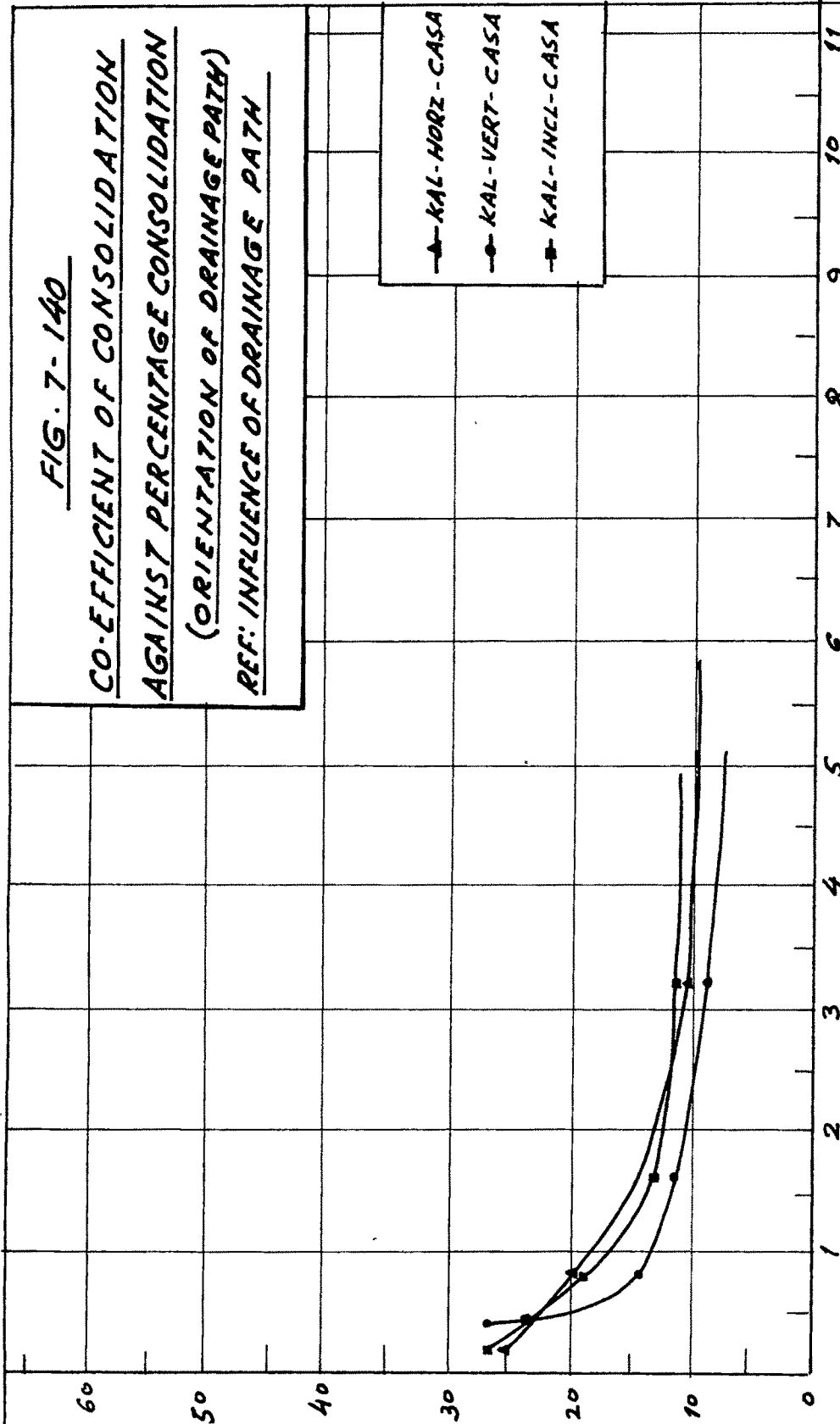
FIG. 7-140

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION
(ORIENTATION OF DRAINAGE PATH)
REF: INFLUENCE OF DRAINAGE PATH

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN $^2/HRT$

PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION (U)

- ▲— KAL-HORZ-CASA
- KAL-VERT-CASA
- KAL-INCL-CASA



- (v) Parameter P against applied effective pressure.
(Figures 7.141 and 7.145).

Vertically oriented sample fits nearer to the Terzaghi. Horizontal sample deviates most at light loads. All the sample show little deviations at higher loads. Vertical sample shows about 1% average deviation under practically all loads. Horizontal and inclined samples show 0.5% and 3.9% deviation under light loads respectively, and 1.5% deviation under higher loads.

Discussion :

The initial structure of a soil sample of inactive clay like kaolinite prepared at liquid limit under a light precompression load will be approximately of a semi-oriented nature with the majority of particles aligned parallel to the bed. Orienting the initial structure at vertical, inclined and horizontal direction it can be visualised that the majority of particles will array in parallel, random and vertical direction. ~~Explanation~~ for the consolidation behaviour can be derived from the consideration of tortuosity (effective flow) path in relation to thickness of sample) and interfacial grips. When pressure is applied along the length of the plate shaped particle i.e. on one hand the sample at horizontal direction, has to orient particles in parallel position overcoming interfacial grip but on the other hand the water has to pass through a shorter flow path. However, when the load

FIG. 7-141

PARAMETER 'P' AGAINST APPLIED
EFFECTIVE PRESSURE
(ORIENTATION OF DRAINAGE PATH)
REF: INFLUENCE OF DRAINAGE PATH

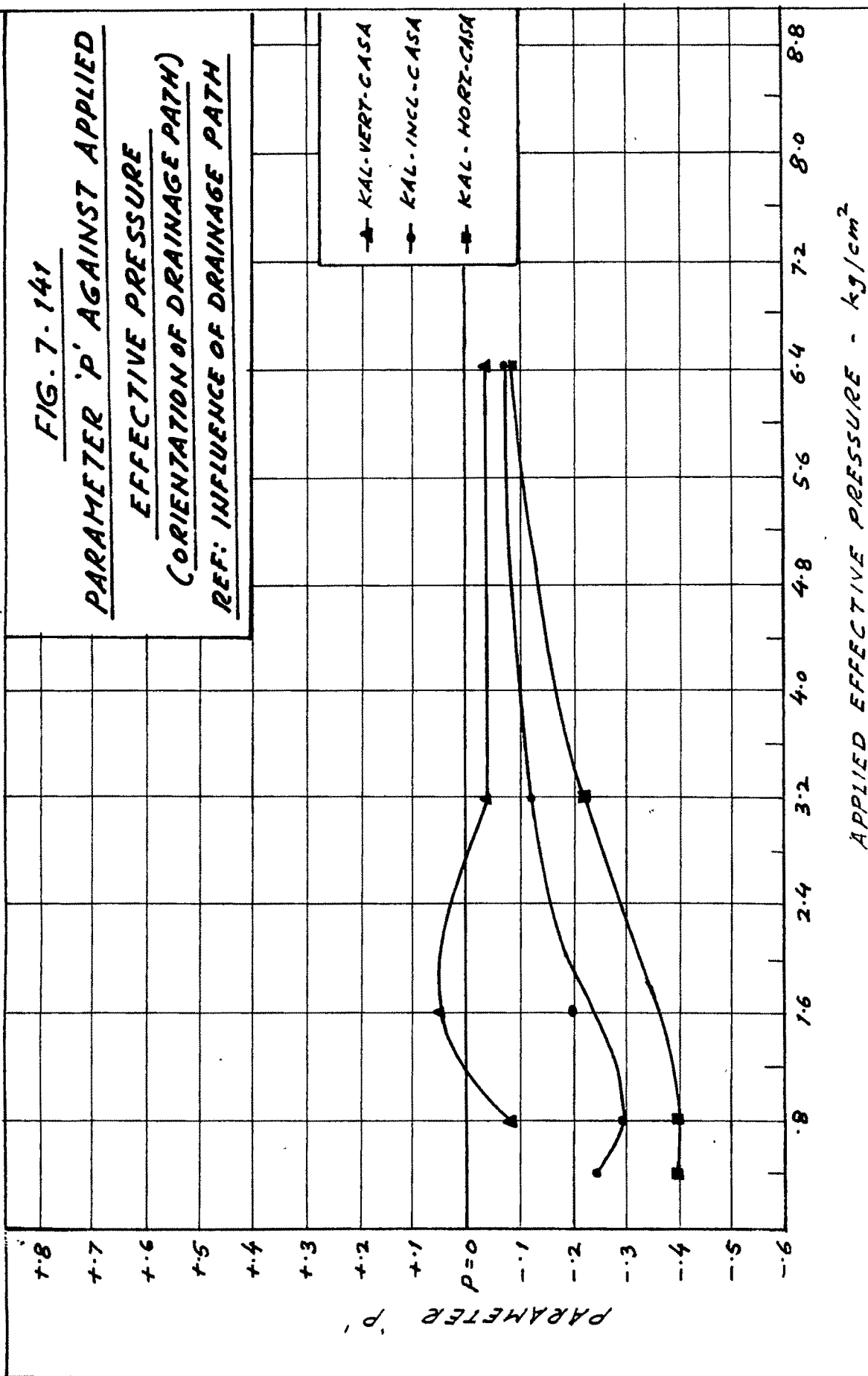


FIG. 7-142

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.8 kg/cm^2
(ORIENTATION OF DRAINAGE PATH)
REF: INFLUENCE OF DRAINAGE PATH

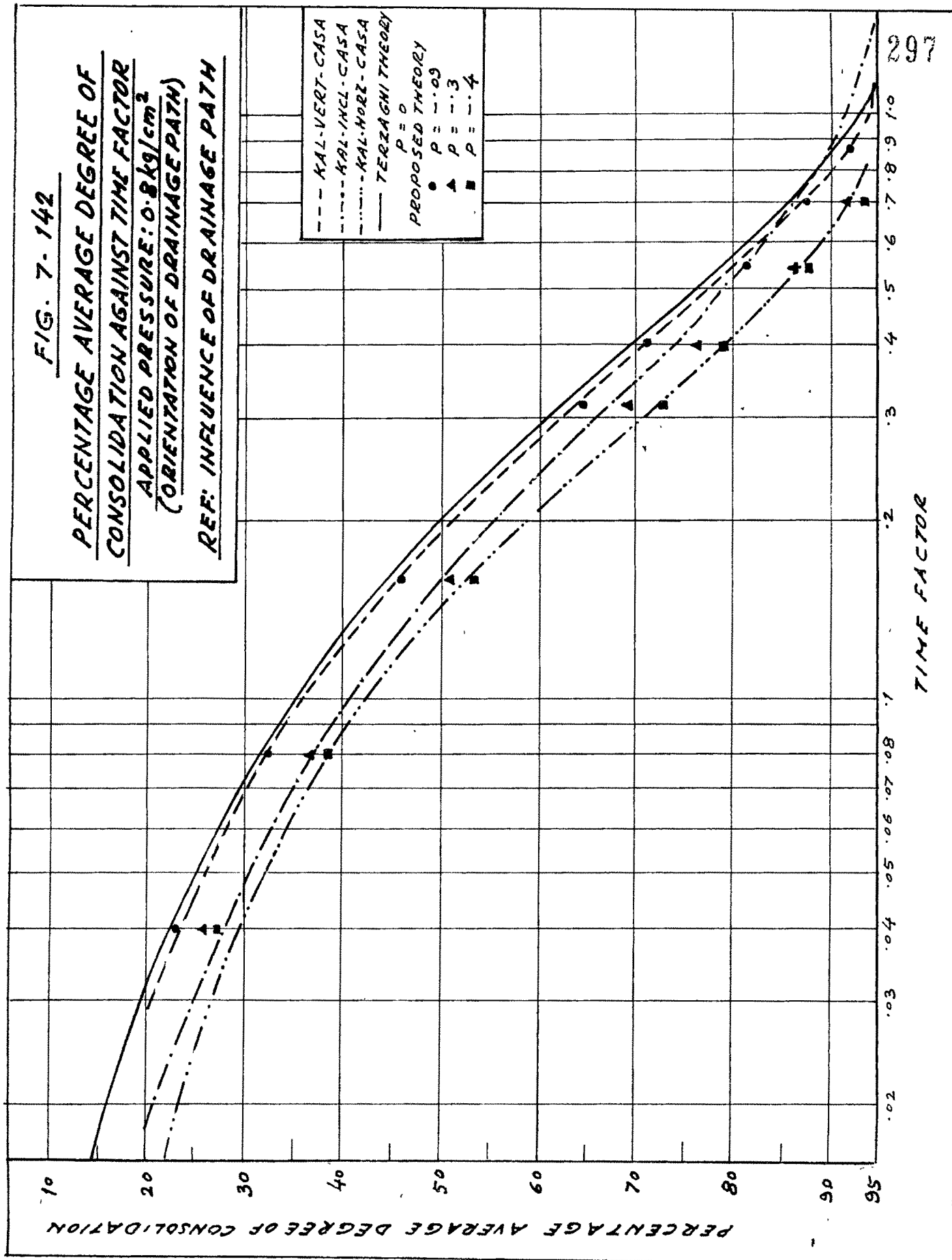


FIG. 7-143

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
(APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.4 kg/cm^2)
(ORIENTATION OF DRAINAGE PATH)
REF: INFLUENCE OF DRAINAGE PATH

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR

--- KAL-VERT-CASA
--- KAL-INCL-CASA
--- KAL-HORIZ-CASA
--- TERZAGHI THEORY
P = 0
PROPOSED THEORY
● P = -0.2
▲ P = -0.25
■ P = -0.4

FIG. 7-144

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 1.6 kg/cm²
(ORIENTATION OF DRAINAGE PATH)
REF: INFLUENCE OF DRAINAGE PATH

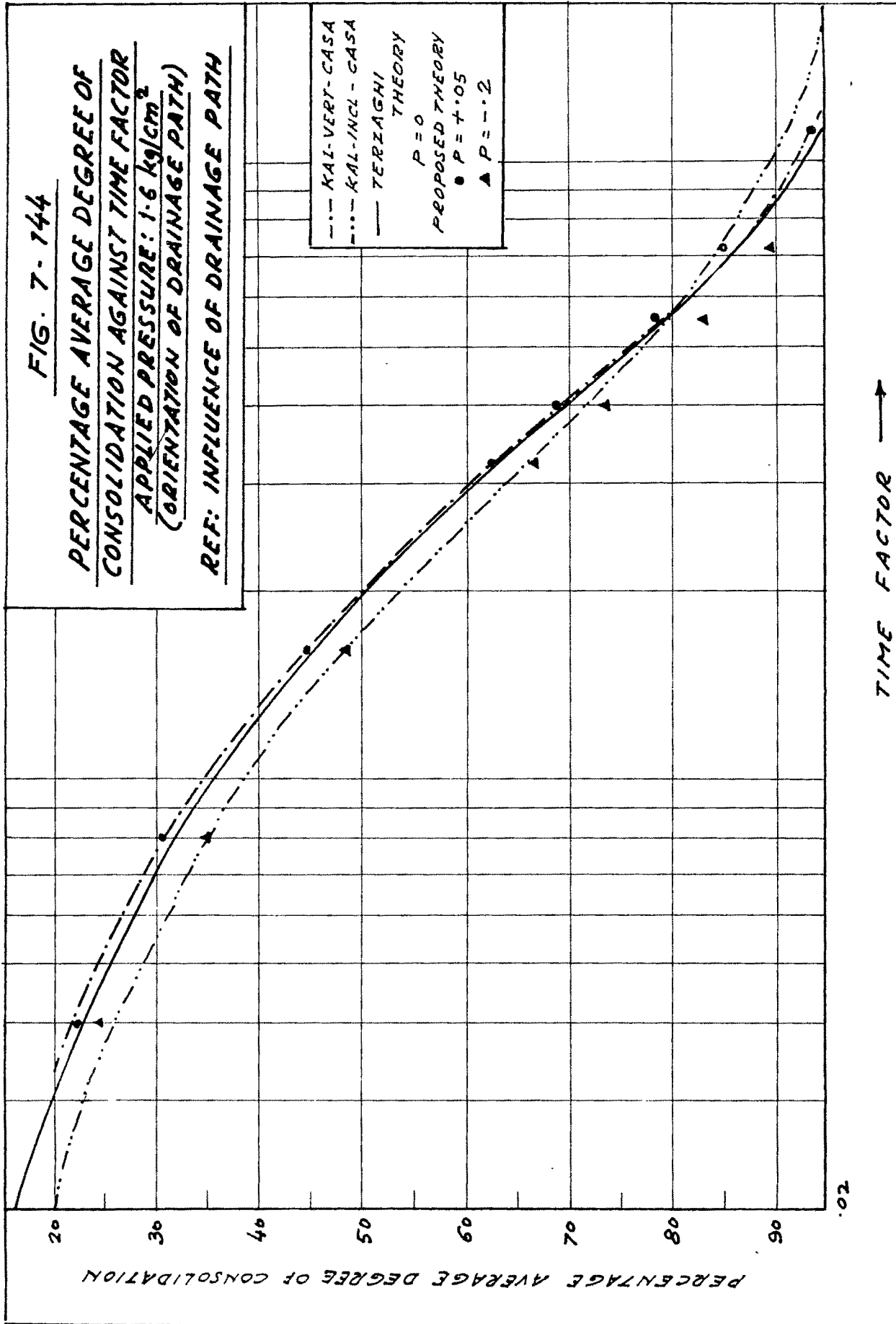


FIG. 7-145

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 3.2 kg/cm^2
(ORIENTATION OF DRAINAGE PATH)
REF: INFLUENCE OF DRAINAGE PATH

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR

--- KAL-VERT-CASA
- - - KAL-INCL-CASA
— TERZAGHI
THEORY
PROPOSED THEORY
● $P = -0.04$
▲ $P = -0.14$

300

100
90
80
70
60
50
40
30
20

0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5 0.6 0.7 0.8 0.9 1.0

is acting across the length of plate shaped particles there is little resistance from interfacial grip but a longer flow path has to be covered by water. Situation in samples taken in the inclined direction can be considered intermediate. Therefore, it can be argued that under lighter loads when interfacial resistance is predominant, horizontal sample shows comparatively higher resistance indicated by large reduction in c_v and humpy compression characteristics. Under higher consolidating pressure the load potential dominates the above described resistance causing a complete structural breakdown, and the characteristics become almost similar. The same degree of secondary compression suggests that for any orientation of particles the physico-chemical environment does not change, once the particles are alligned in parallel arrays. The analysis by P parameter also supports the above arguments.

B : Length of Drainage Path

(i) Coefficient of consolidation against percentage consolidation.

(Figures 7.146 to 7.149).

In case of samples thinner than conventional samples, the value of c_v increases initially eventually becoming constant at higher pressures. In the case of samples thicker than the conventional samples the value remains almost the same throughout the process at lighter loads.

FIG. 7-146 -

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION -
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION -
(LENGTH OF DRAINAGE PATH -
REF: INFLUENCE OF DRAINAGE PATH -

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN²/HRT.

KAL-0.25" - C.A.S.A
 -●- 0.2 kg/cm²
 -▲- 1.6 kg/cm²
 -■- 6.4 kg/cm²

PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION (U)

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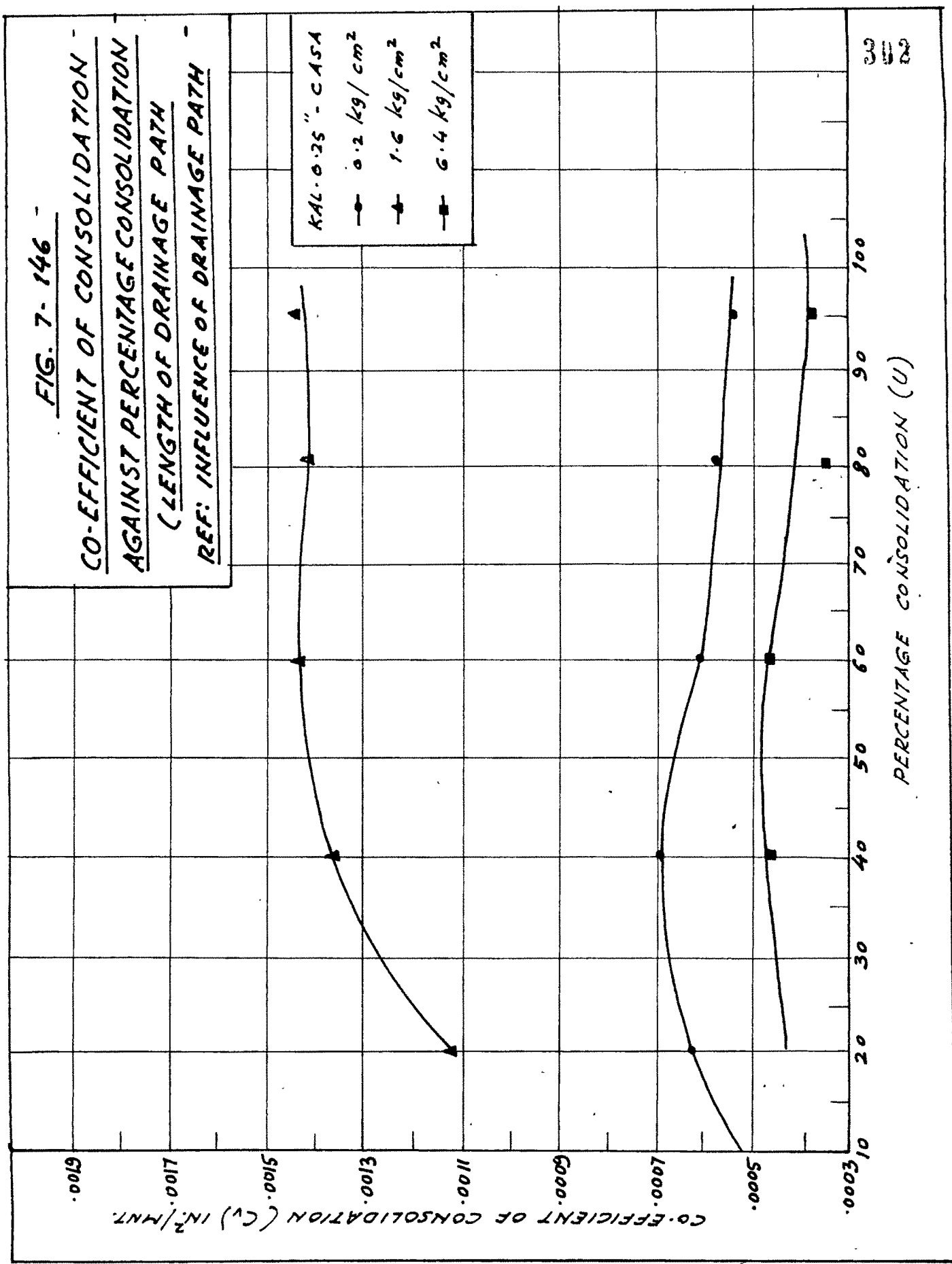


FIG. 7-147

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION
(LENGTH OF DRAINAGE PATH)
REF: INFLUENCE OF DRAINAGE PATH

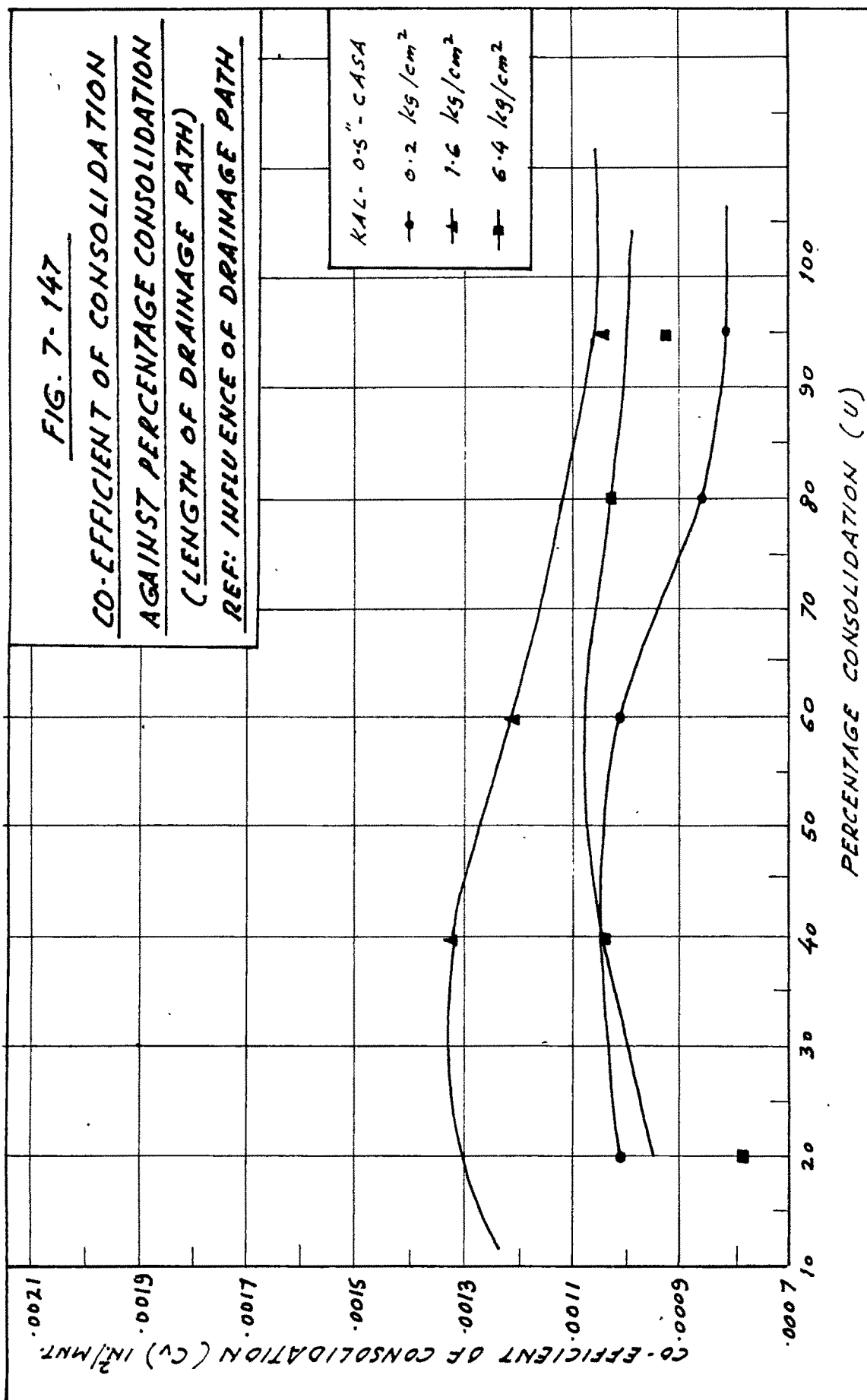


FIG. 7-148

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION
(LENGTH OF DRAINAGE PATH)
REF: INFLUENCE OF DRAINAGE PATH

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN²/HRT

PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION (U)

$KAL \cdot H = 2'' - \text{CASA}$
 \blacksquare 0.2 kg/cm²
 \blacktriangle 1.6 kg/cm²
 \bullet 6.4 kg/cm²

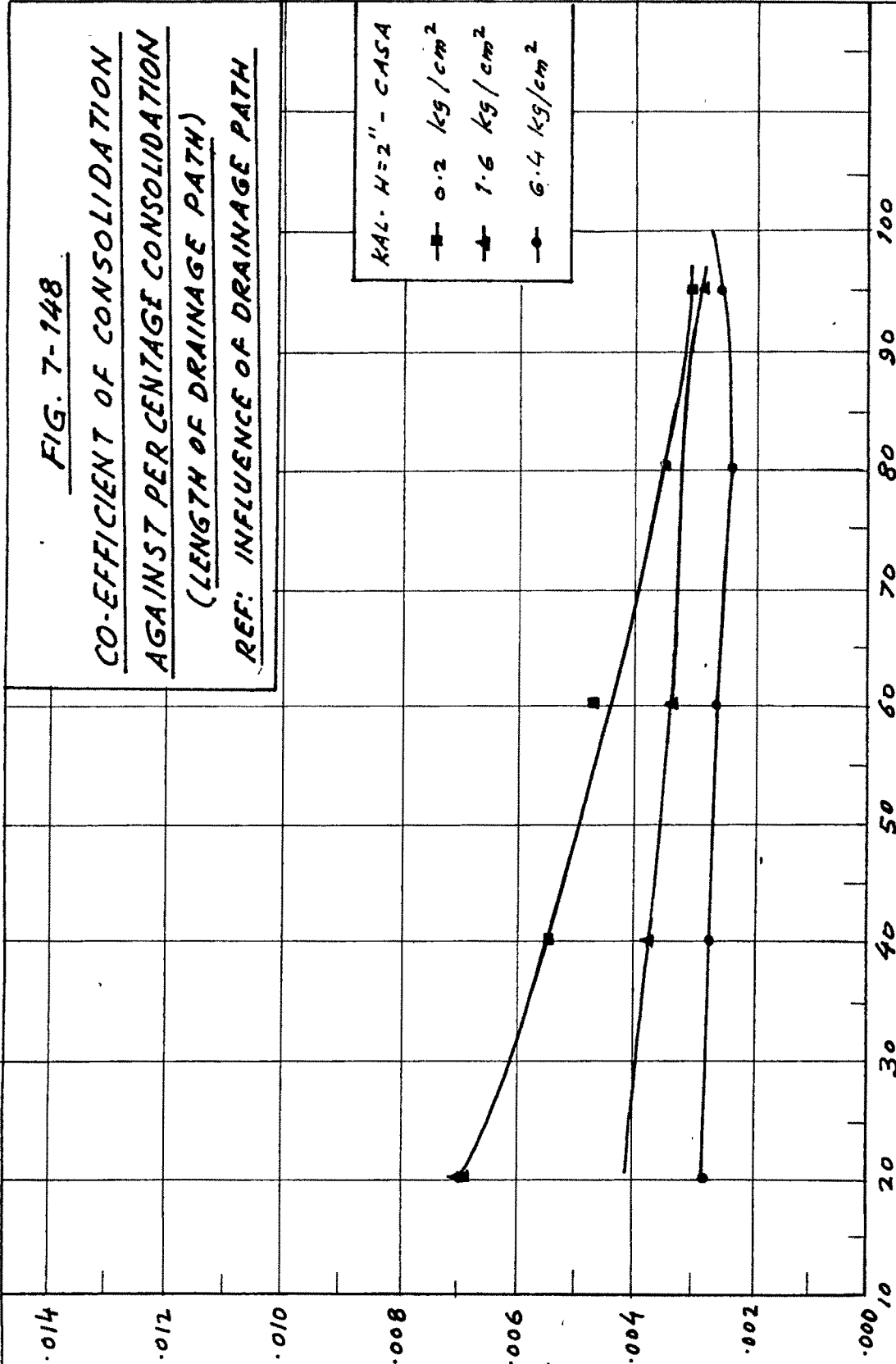


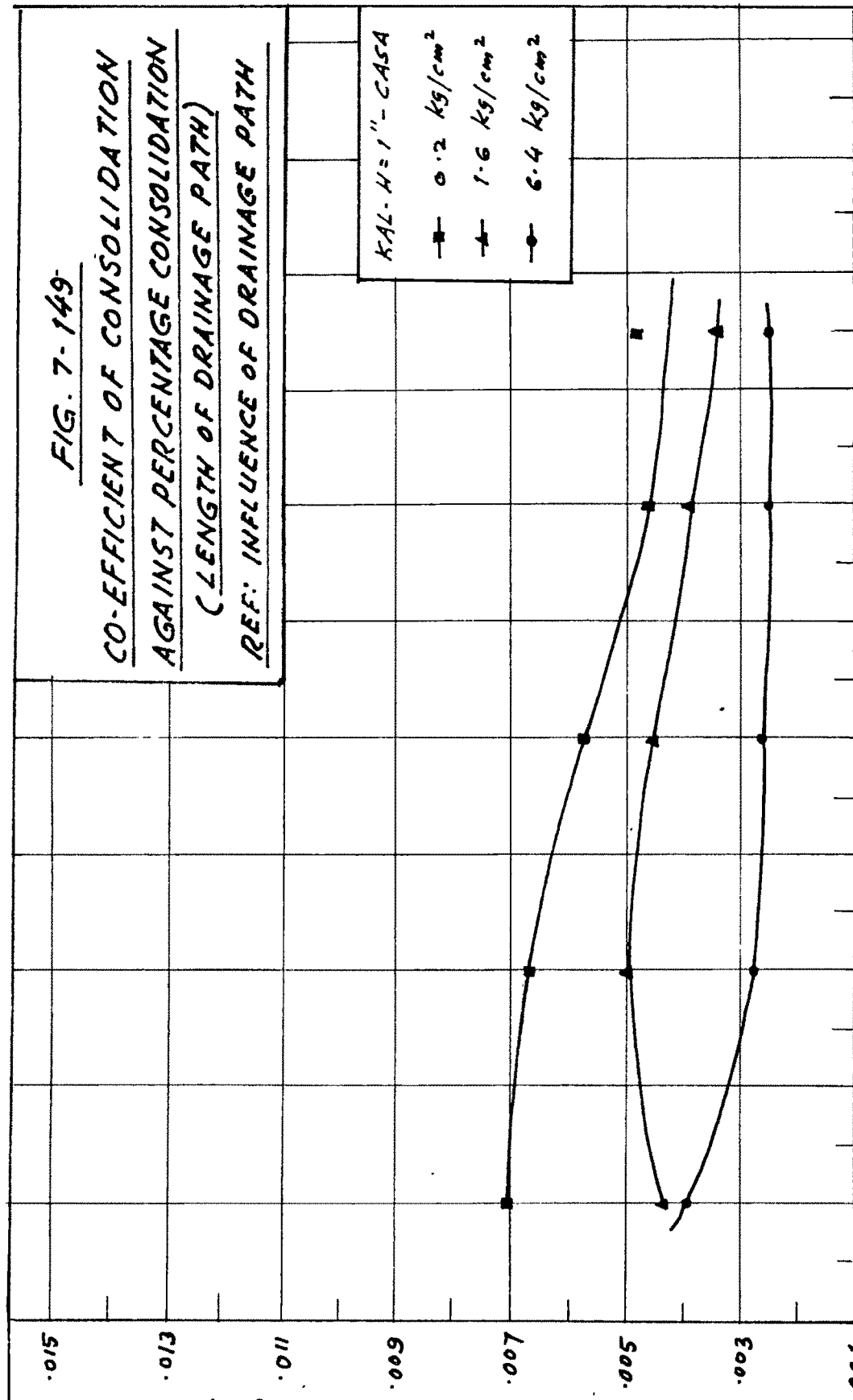
FIG. 7-149-

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION
(LENGTH OF DRAINAGE PATH)
REF: INFLUENCE OF DRAINAGE PATH

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN²/HR

PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION (U)

KAL-4=1"-CASA
—■— 0.2 kg/cm²
—▲— 1.6 kg/cm²
—●— 6.4 kg/cm²



- (ii) Coefficient of consolidation against applied effective pressure.
(Figure 7.150).

General nature of the relationship is of a similar type showing a decrease in C_v at lighter loads and an increase with higher loads. At very high loads the C_v value tends to remain constant. Thicker sample exhibits higher values of C_v compared to thinner ones.

- (iii) Compression index against applied average effective pressure.
(Figure 7.151).

General trend of curves is similar for the thick and the thin samples except in the initial portion of the curves. Thick samples show an initial hump unlike the thin samples.

- (iv) Percentage secondary compression against effective applied pressure.
(Figure 7.152).

Thicker samples exhibit a lesser degree of secondary compression than the thin samples. Under higher consolidating loads the degree of secondary compression is more or less same in both the thick and thin samples.

- (v) Parameter 'P' against applied effective pressure.
(Figure 7.153 and 7.154 to 7.159).

At higher consolidating loads the thick as well as the thin samples fit closer to the Terzaghi. Practically under all loads the thick sample fit nearer to the Terzaghi curve.

FIG. 7-150

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE
(LENGTH OF DRAINAGE PATH)
REF: INFLUENCE OF DRAINAGE PATH

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN $^2/\text{HRT}$

APPLIED EFFECTIVE PRESSURE - kg/cm^2 (T/ft^2)

- $KAL-H=2''-CASA$
- $KAL-H=1''-CASA$
- ▲— $KAL-H=0.5''-CASA$
- $KAL-H=0.25''-CASA$

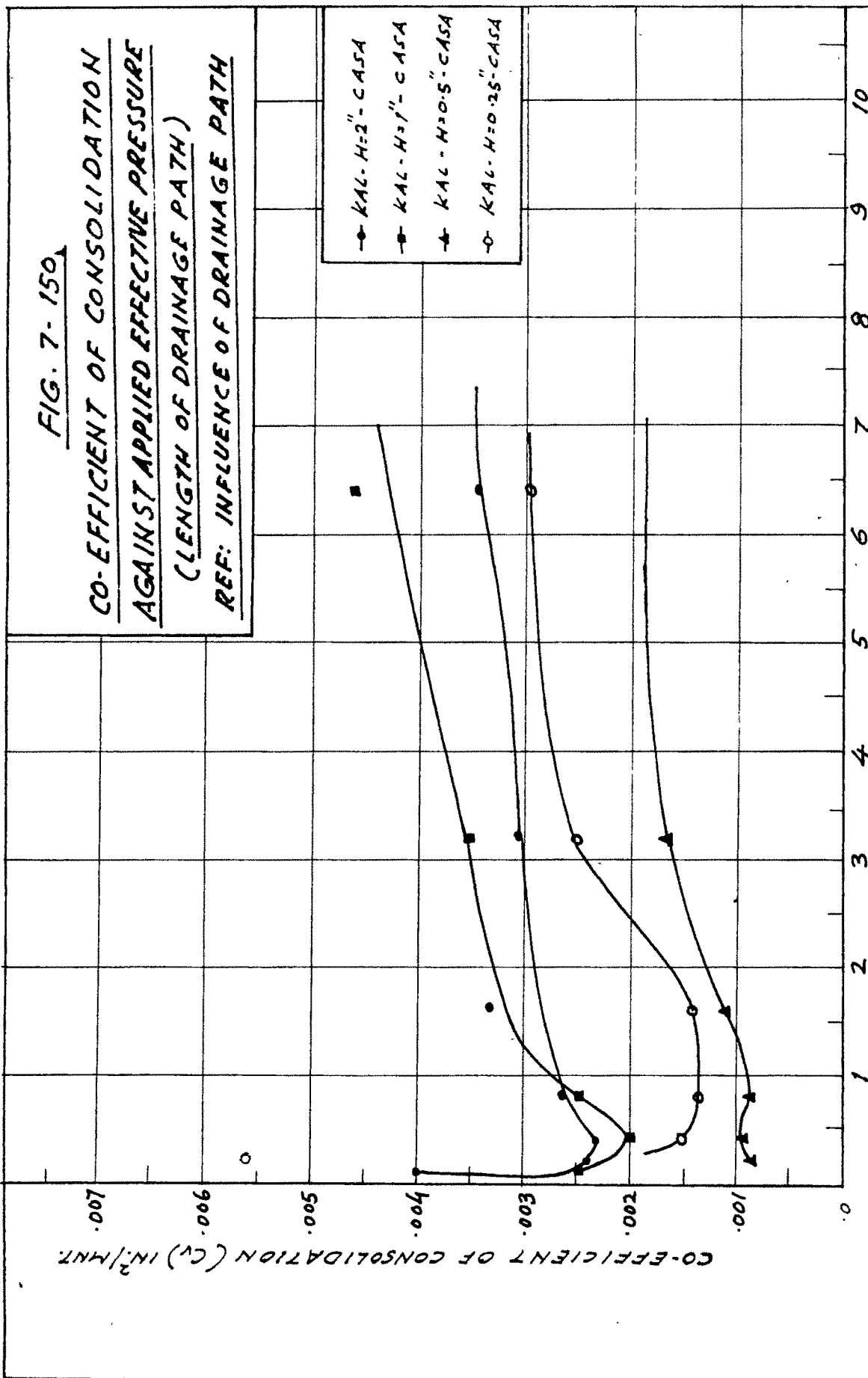


FIG. 7-151

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION

AGAINST APPLIED AVERAGE EFFECTIVE PRESSURE
(LENGTH OF DRAINAGE PATH)

REF: INFLUENCE OF DRAINAGE PATH

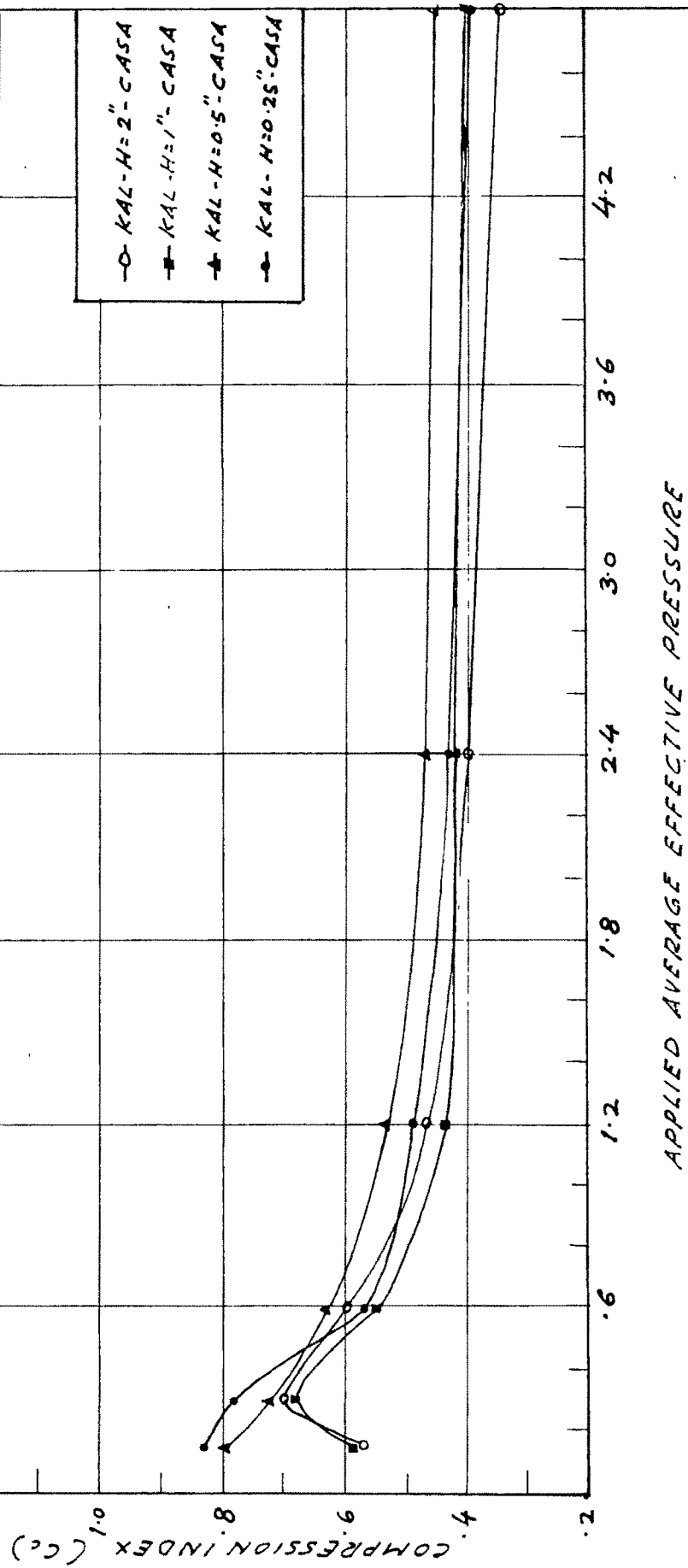


FIG. 7-152

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION
(LENGTH OF DRAINAGE PATH)
REF. INFLUENCE OF DRAINAGE PATH

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION (C_v) IN²/MINT.

○ KAL-H=0.25"-CASA
▲ KAL-H=1"-CASA
■ KAL-H=0.5"-CASA
● KAL-H=2"-CASA

10

9

8

7

6

5

4

3

2

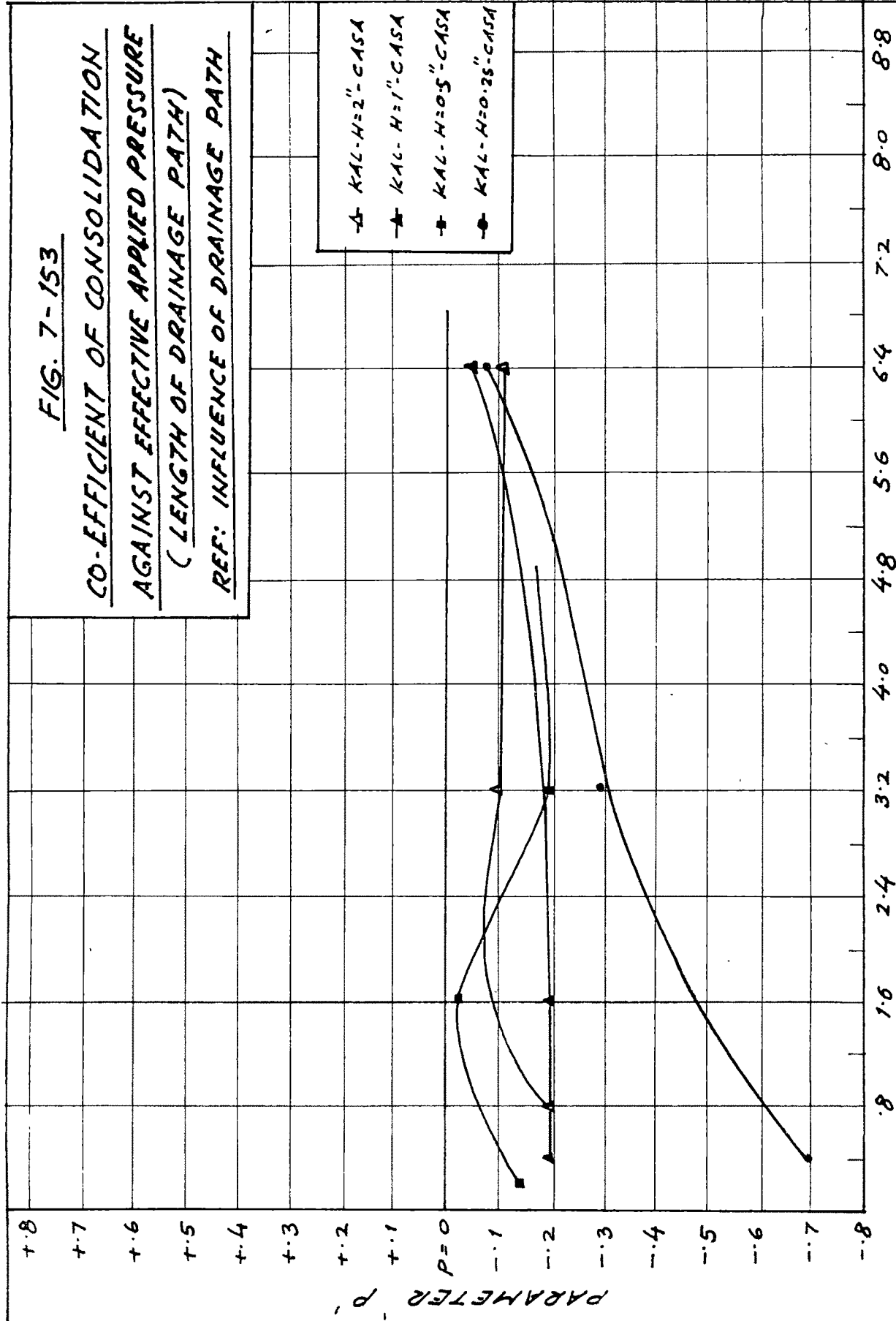
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PERCENTAGE CONSOLIDATION (U)

FIG. 7-153

CO-EFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
AGAINST EFFECTIVE APPLIED PRESSURE
(LENGTH OF DRAINAGE PATH)
REF: INFLUENCE OF DRAINAGE PATH

- △- $K_{AL}-H=2''-CASA$
- ▲- $K_{AL}-H=1''-CASA$
- $K_{AL}-H=0.5''-CASA$
- $K_{AL}-H=0.25''-CASA$



EFFECTIVE APPLIED PRESSURE - kg/cm^2

FIG. 7-154

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.2 kg/cm^2
(LENGTH OF DRAINAGE PATH)

REF: INFLUENCE OF DRAINAGE PATH

--- KAL. $H=0.5''$ - CASA
— TERZAGHI THEORY
 $P=0$
PROPOSED THEORY
• $P=-0.15$

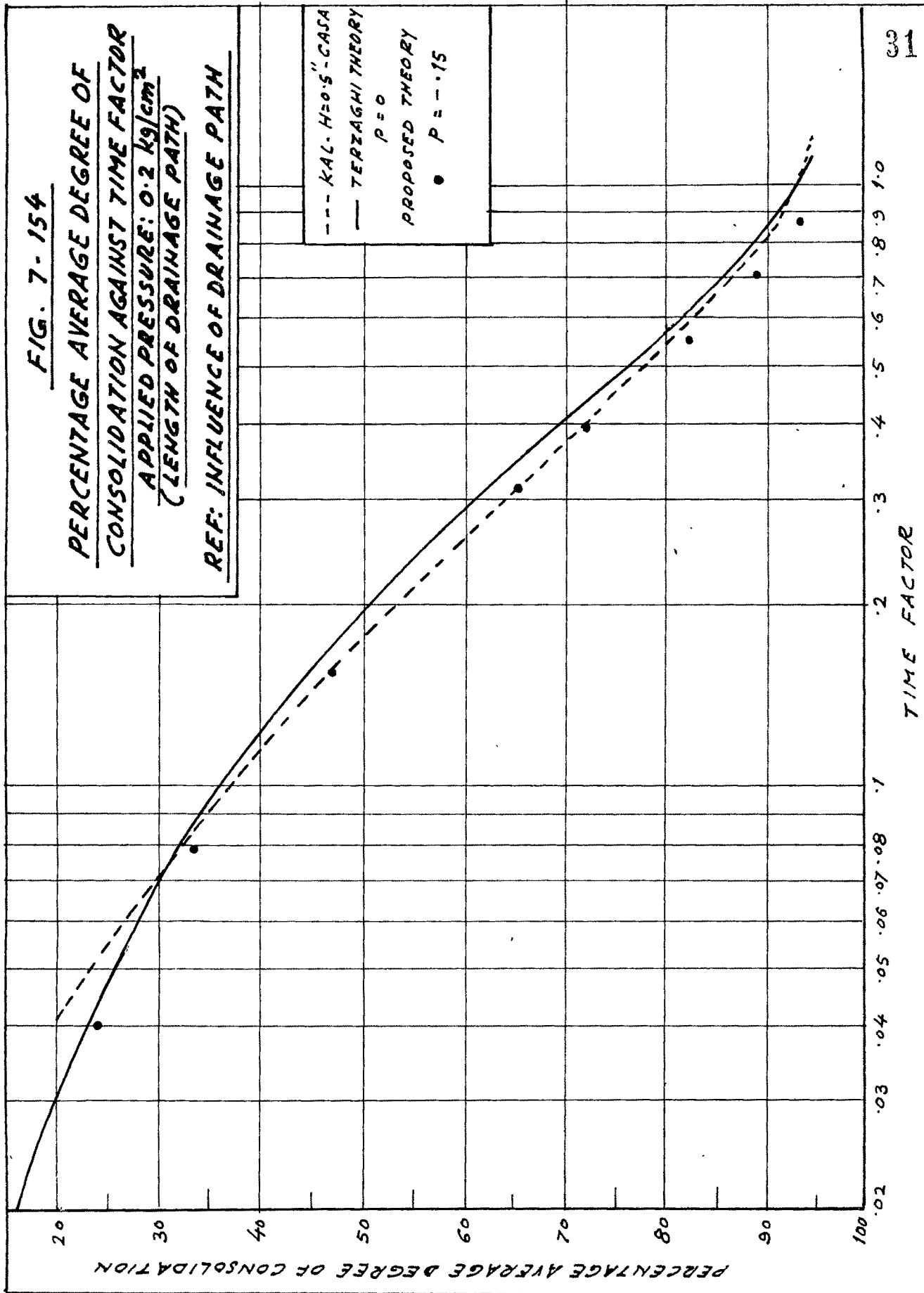


FIG. 7-155

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
(APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.8 kg/cm^2)
(LENGTH OF DRAINAGE PATH)
REF: INFLUENCE OF DRAINAGE PATH

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

100

90

80

70

60

50

40

30

20

10

0

0.2

0.3

0.4

0.5

0.6

0.7

0.8

0.9

1.0

1.1

1.2

1.3

1.4

1.5

1.6

1.7

1.8

1.9

2.0

2.1

2.2

2.3

2.4

2.5

TIME FACTOR

--- KAL-H:2-CASA
— TERZAGHI THEORY
P: 0
PROPOSED THEORY
• P: -0.2

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FIG. 7-156

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 3.2 kg/cm^2
(LENGTH OF DRAINAGE PATH)
REF: INFLUENCE OF DRAINAGE PATH

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR

--- KAL-H=1.5"-CASA
- - - KAL-H=2"-CASA
- . - KAL-H=2.5"-CASA
— TERZAGHI THEORY
P = 0
PROPOSED THEORY
● P = 1.2
▲ P = .1
■ P = .3

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FIG. 7-157

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
APPLIED PRESSURE: 6.4 kg/cm^2
(LENGTH OF DRAINAGE PATH)
REF: INFLUENCE OF DRAINAGE PATH

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR

--- KAL-H = 1" - CASA
- - - KAL-H = 25" - CASA
- . - KAL-H = 2" - CASA
- - - KAL-H = 5" - CASA
— TERZAGHI THEORY
PROPOSED THEORY
P = 0
P = 0.09
A P = 1/15
P P = 1/2

FIG. 7-158

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
(APPLIED PRESSURE: 1.6 kg/cm^2)
(LENGTH OF DRAINAGE PATH)
REF: INFLUENCE OF DRAINAGE PATH

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR

--- KAL-H=5"-CASA
- - - KAL-H=2"-CASA
- - - KAL-H=1"-CASA
— TERZAGHI THEOR
P=0
PROPOSED THEORY
• P=-.1
▲ P=-.2
■ P=-.04

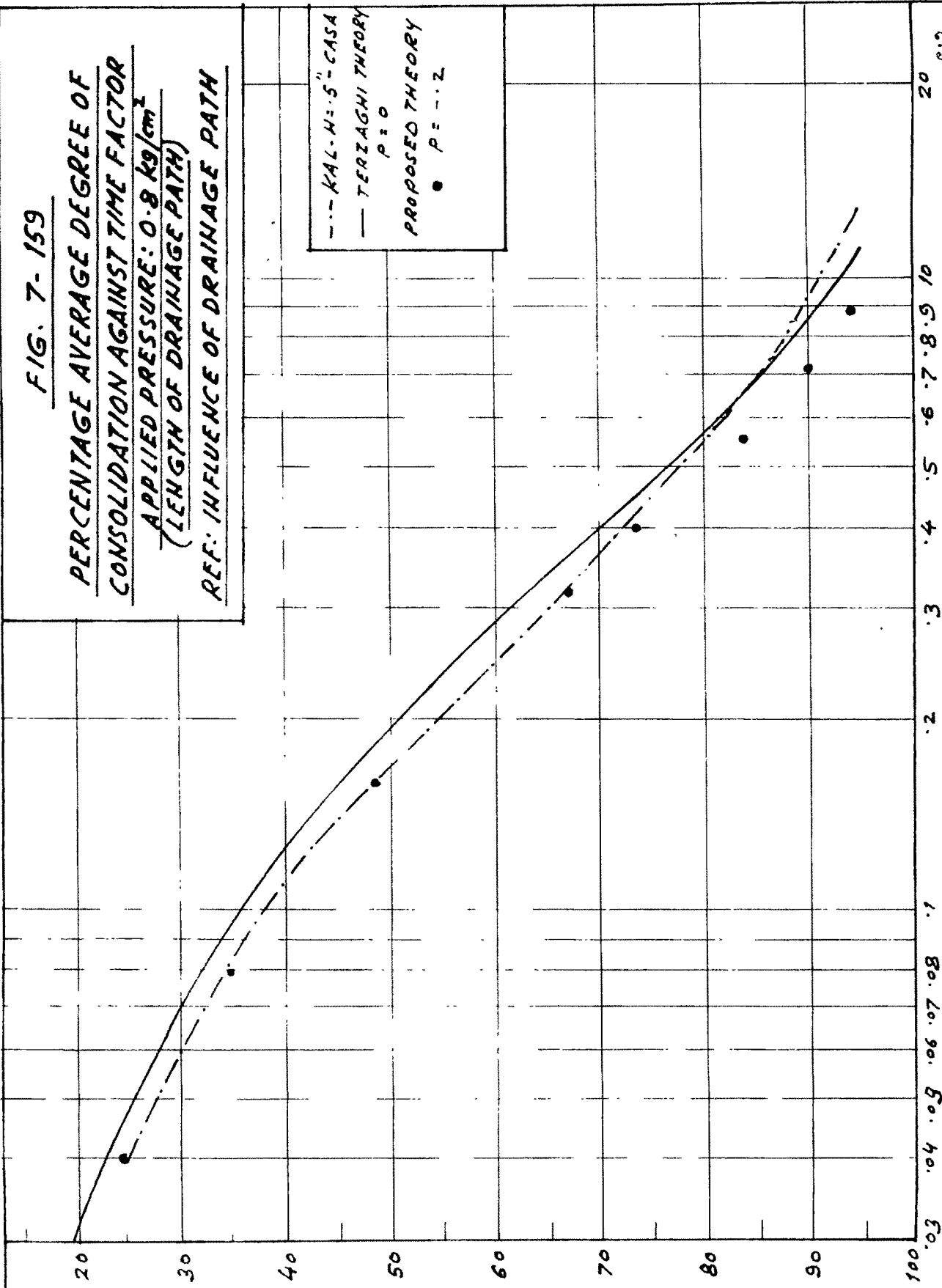
FIG. 7-159

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF
CONSOLIDATION AGAINST TIME FACTOR
(APPLIED PRESSURE: 0.8 kg/cm^2)
(LENGTH OF DRAINAGE PATH)
REF: INFLUENCE OF DRAINAGE PATH

--- KALCH=5" CASA
— TERZAGHI THEORY
 $P=0$
PROPOSED THEORY
● $P=-.2$

PERCENTAGE AVERAGE DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION

TIME FACTOR



Discussion :

It is revealed from the previous discussion that the flow path is not much influenced by tortuosity in semioriented structure. The length of flow path may increase or decrease the time to reach 100% consolidation in soil for a particular load. Thick sample will require relatively more time to reach 100% consolidation under light loads. In thick samples under higher consolidating stress, the load potential dominates the effect of longer length of drainage path and the rate of consolidation increases. Therefore, with the increase in consolidating load the C_v value in thick samples increases while in thin sample after some increase in C_v value, it remains more or less constant. A small hump in thick sample at light loads in the compression index average pressure curve is attributed to the lag in dissipation of water from the longer drainage path with the physico-chemical environment. After attainment of the equilibrium conditions under the higher stress, the physico-chemical effect will be more or less the same both in the thin and the thick samples and therefore the degree of secondary compression will be also the same. As the hydrodynamic lag will be less at high loads the thick sample fits nearer to the Terzaghi curve.
