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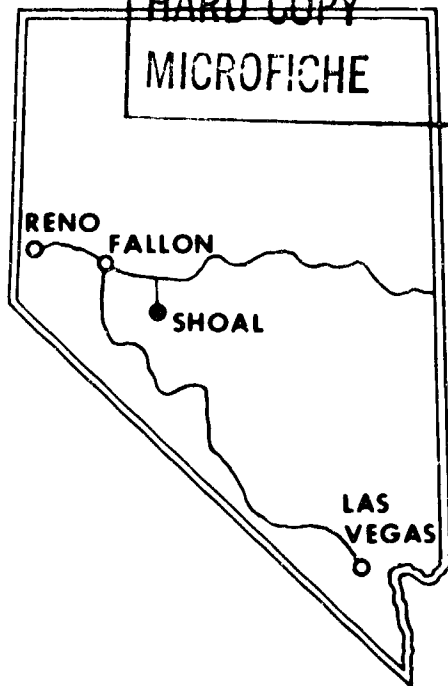# VELA UNIFORM

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ABSTRACT

Predictions and evaluations of ground motion and containment were made for the 12.5 kt Shoal event. A comprehensive ground motion instrumentation program was designed. This program included four linear instrument arrays radiating northeast, northwest, southeast and southwest with a total of 21 stations. Eight additional stations were emplaced at points of interest. Of the 29 stations, 21 were on hardrock and eight were on alluvium.

Analysis of the seismic records included corrections for instrument response and derivation of non-recorded motions by differentiation or integration. It was determined that peak motions on alluvium were greater than on hardrock by a factor of 2.1 for acceleration, 3.7 for displacement and 3.4 for velocity. The rates of attenuation indicated that peak motions on alluvium were not due to surface waves. The prediction equations for acceleration and displacement were found to represent reasonable upper limits of motion.

The objective of the containment evaluation was to assure that appropriate measures had been taken to preclude unacceptable venting of radioactive isotope to the

atmosphere. Consideration was given to possible venting both at the time of the explosion and later when the cavity collapsed and a chimney formed. The adequacy of stemming of all man-made openings as well as the effect of geologic hazards such as faults or fissures were evaluated in the containment analysis. The possibility of a secondary explosion due to water entering the cavity was also examined. It was concluded that Shoal would be contained to the same degree as Hardhat and that the stemming plan was adequate.

The prediction of containment was substantiated by the test results. Limited post-shot exploration allows the following comparisons: cavity radius - 24.7 meters predicted, 25.6 $\pm$ 0.6 meters observed; chimney height - 110 meters predicted, 108 meters observed; depth of spalling - 122 meters predicted, 120+ meters indicated; radius of spalling - <914 meters predicted, 794 meters observed.

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

1.1 BACKGROUND

Roland F. Beers, Inc., under Contract AT(29-2)-1163 with the Nevada Operations Office (NVOO), U. S. Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) is responsible to the Operational Safety Division of that office for the following:

a) Prediction of ground motions

b) Evaluation of containment of underground nuclear explosions

The 12.5 kt Shoal event was the second, and largest, contained underground nuclear test conducted in granite. This event presented special prediction problems due to the absence of directly applicable experience and its location off the Nevada Test Site in the Sand Springs mountain range near Fallon, Nevada.

Ground motion resulting from underground testing of nuclear devices is a substantial as well as continuing operational safety problem. Current methods of predicting ground motion employ empirical relationships derived from observed data. Proper use of these relationships for prediction purposes requires that the test conditions

for which predictions are to be made be comparable with those which provided the data used in deriving the relationships.

Scaling of ground motion for yield and distance are fundamental steps in making predictions. To perform such scaling, the variation in amplitude with yield and distance must be defined. Appreciable departure in yield, source geometry, method of emplacement and physical properties of the transmission path from previous experiments substantially affect manner of scaling and the agreement between predicted and observed ground motions.

The results of the earlier 5.9 kt Hardhat event in granite on NTS were not used. The limited span of distances at which ground motion data were recorded from Hardhat and the high degree of scatter in surface-recorded data resulted in an ambiguous rate of attenuation of ground motion with distance. Additionally, as Hardhat was the only test conducted in granite prior to Shoal, the empirical scaling of amplitude with yield was indeterminate. To find an alternate basis for making predictions, the displacement potentials were compared for the different media in which tests have been conducted to date. This

comparison suggested that potentially more accurate re-
sults, especially at larger distances, should be obtained
using tuff as a basis for predicting ground motions. Ac-
cordingly, prediction relationships were derived from the
results of the Hardtack-Plumbob experiments in Rainier
Mesa tuff. However, differences between the geology of the
Shoal site and Rainier Mesa introduced substantial uncer-
tainty. The scope of the transmission problem is defined
in Section 1.4.

The possibility of a containment failure is a re-
curring problem. This hazard becomes particularly impor-
tant when an off-site event is considered. In analyzing
the Shoal event from this viewpoint, the Hardhat event
provided the only previous experience in a granitic med .m
upon which to base predictions. The prediction of pheno-
menology, therefore, relied heavily upon the available
Hardhat data. Where conditions were dissimilar, theoreti-
cal analysis and extrapolation of experience from other
media were employed. These techniques permitted an evalua-
tion to be made of unique conditions such as the stemming
design and the presence of a significant fault in the vi-
cinity of the weapon point.

1.2 OBJECTIVES

In regard to containment, the purpose was to provide the Operational Safety Division with an independent evaluation of the probability of containment and the adequacy of the stemming concept and plan. In performing this function, dependence was placed on theoretical considerations and on empirical data collected in large measure by others. This supply of data was arranged primarily by the NVOO, but also was obtained by direct contact with the Technical Director where appropriate.

To evaluate the effect of the varied geology on ground motion, a comprehensive ground motion measurement program was designed. Instrumentation program design objectives for the Shoal event were to obtain ground motion data permitting evaluation of the following:

1) The variation in the amplitude of ground motions on granite and alluvium with distance.

2) The effect of faulting on ground motion.

3) The effect of thickness of alluvium on the amplitude and attenuation of amplitude with distance.

4) The partition of compressional wave energy into surface waves at a lithologic discontinuity.

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5) The directional response characteristics of the shot medium.

6) The degree of scatter in recorded ground motions.

7) The ratio of (u^2/ad) where "u" is particle velocity, "a" is particle acceleration, and "d" is particle displacement.

1.3 INSTRUMENTATION

To accomplish the objectives listed in Section 1.2, 21 recording stations were deployed in four linear arrays radiating northeast, northwest, southeast and southwest from ground zero (see Figure 1.1). Each of these 21 stations had an instrument complement of three component accelerometers and three component displacement meters. Three of the 21 recording stations also included instruments for recording three components of velocity. These instruments were located on the southeast line. Besides the above, vertical component velocity measurements were made at five additional stations at distance. Each of the vertical component measurements represents the output of a circular array of six vertical velocity instruments emplaced at widely separated points surrounding the test site. An additional

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three vibration meters measuring radial and transverse displacement were located at the Nevada Scheelite Mine, Gabbs Mine and the Naval Air Station.

Of the 21 recording stations deployed in arrays, fourteen were located on granite and seven were located on alluvium. To evaluate the transmission properties of granite, the positions of the recording arrays located on granite were given preferential azimuthal orientations related to the more predominant NE-SW system of faulting. The arrays oriented northeast-southwest essentially parallel this system of faulting while the arrays oriented northwest-southeast intersect this faulting essentially at right angles. Evaluation of the effect of different lithology was provided for by extending the arrays from granite to alluvium. Evaluation of the effect of different thicknesses of alluvium was provided for by locating one of the arrays on the thick alluvium of Fairview Valley and the other on the thinner alluvium of Fourmile and Eightmile Flats. The circular arrays of vertical component velocity meters emplaced at distance were on hardrock of unknown lithology. These were not part of the safety studies program. The vibration meters were emplaced to monitor ground motions at sites of engineering structures.

1.4 THEORY

1.4.1 Seismic Effects. At the Shoal site considerable variation in the amplitudes of the particle motions was expected to occur both horizontally and directionally due to asymmetries in the geometry and geology of the transmission model. Figure 1.2 is a cross section showing the attitudes of the granite-alluvium contact on either side of the site. The eastern contact of the granite with the alluvium is abrupt with nearly vertical dip and with a great depth of alluvium directly adjacent to the granite. The western edge of the granite shows much less dip with alluvium forming a wedge over the granite.

The geologic map of Figure 1.3 shows the trend of faulting at the Shoal site as far as it is known. The major trend is northeast-southwest on the basis of surface evidence but it should be noted that a major fault trending east-west lies at a radial distance of approximately 34 meters north of the working point. The multiplicity of southeast-northwest trending features indicated on the map are dikes.

The Shoal model described above departs from the homogeneous, isotropic conditions usually assumed. The many

faults, joints and dikes in the granite were expected to
have an effect on azimuthal variation of ground motion.
The energy transmission parallel to the northeast-southwest
set would be enhanced as compared to energy transmission at
right angles to the fault set. This means that energy
reaching the alluvium of Fourmile Flat and Fairview Valley
at the points closest to the working point may be less
than that normally expected. The energy along the Sand
Springs Range would be about as expected to the south and
slightly lower than expected to the north due to the large
east-west fault just north of the working point.

The second aspect of the model relates to the pres-
ence of the alluvium in the adjacent Fourmile Flat and
Fairview Valley areas. The question here was whether sur-
face waves generated at the contact between granite and al-
luvium would produce larger ground motions at distances on
the alluvium than those resulting from compressional (body)
wave arrivals. The amplitude of the ground motion due to
surface waves for a two-media model depends on diverse fac-
tors. Some of these are: the distance of the granite-
alluvium contact from the source, the dip of the contact,
the partition of energy from compressional waves into sur-
face waves, and the thickness of alluvium at the contact

and along the transmission path to the point of interest. Although Ewing, Jardetzky and Press (Reference 19) have developed surface wave theory for specialized cases, there was no known theory applicable to the Shoal model. Together with this, there was also a lack of empirical data on partition of energy from compressional into surface waves.

On the other hand, to predict the ground motions at the surface of the alluvium due to compressional waves, it is required to increase the amplitudes of predicted free-field particle motions by some factor. This factor probably depends on the interrelationship of wave period to bed thickness. The factor two has been commonly used in the past to convert from surface to subsurface motion, but this does not include effects of transmission from one rock type to another. Because of these uncertainties, no factor was applied in making predictions of Shoal seismic effects on alluvium.

1.4.2 Phenomenology and Containment. The evaluation of containment of the Shoal event was based on procedures developed as part of a long range program directed to the continuing improvement of confidence in predictions.

Currently, greater dependence is placed on empirical relationships, and it is probable that experience will always be a major factor in evaluation. However, a large part of the improvement will come from greater knowledge of the pressure-time history and temperature-time history of underground explosions. This is being actively pursued, and some of the results were employed in the development of predictions and the evaluation for Shoal.

CHAPTER II

PREDICTIONS

2.1 GEOLOGIC ENVIRONMENT

The local geologic and topographic setting of the
Sand Springs Range and the surrounding terrain has been
amply provided by the text, maps and cross sections of
Reference 1. A cross section and a portion of a map
from this reference are included in Chapter 1.

The lithology of the granitic shot medium is also
described in Reference 1. Its physical properties have
been compiled from several sources and are tabulated in
Table 2.1.

The significant structural features of the region
include a well-developed fracture cleavage which per-
sists throughout the granitic medium. Generally, planes
are .25 to .51 cm apart, trending northeast, with a near
vertical dip. Also, steeply dipping well-developed
joints trend northwesterly (Reference 1).

The entire Sand Springs Range is heavily faulted,
the strongest trend being northeasterly. However, geo-
logic evidence from ECH-D (Reference 1), the east drift
(Reference 2), and test holes B-1 through B-4, (Refer-
ences 3 and 4) indicate with certainty that no signifi-
cant faults exist within a 30 meter radius of the
Working Point (W.P.). The test holes indicate that the

nearest fault is the so-called Fault E which, prior to detonation, lay at a radial distance of about 34 meters from the W.P. Correlation with its probable surface exposure indicates that the fault strikes approximately east-west and dips 70 degrees south. Its true pre-shot thickness, where intersected by ECH-D, was about 34 meters.

Because of considerable core loss in drilling ECH-D in the fault zone, the material character was not directly observed. However, geophysical logs of this hole suggest the zone is composed of slightly-to-completely decomposed granite containing water, most of which is fixed molecularly by hydration of feldspar. Large voids are probably absent and the fault material is considered to be mostly impervious.

The next nearest known fault is Zone C, originally identified on the surface and later intersected by the east drift at Station 8 + 42. It strikes approximately north - 22 degrees - east and dips about 74 degrees southeast. Its true thickness is about 3.65 meters, and is composed chiefly of slickensided gouge (Reference 2).

Ground water within the granite occurs within joints, fractures and faults which are probably incompletely connected and which may or may not share a vague and irregular water table. Initially, such a surface was found at a

depth of about 294 meters in Hole ECH-D (Reference 1).

A later pump test prior to underground excavation in-

dicated the water level may have dropped to a depth of

316 meters. It seems likely that many of the local

water-bearing zones have been lowered appreciably as a

result of drainage by subsequent underground excavation.

Nonetheless, the continued heavy flow from Hole E-1

(Reference 5) indicated that considerable ground water

with appreciable head remained in the vicinity at the

shot time. Furthermore, the discontinuous nature of the

ground water indicates that a water-bearing zone could

remain essentially unchanged by drift excavation and

could retain its initial hydrostatic head. Therefore,

as stated in Reference 6, it is conceivable that such

a water-bearing zone exists within the fracture limit

of the detonation.

2.2 PHENOMENOLOGY AND CONTAINMENT

The following sections provide the basis for the

predictions shown in the abstract pertaining to close-

in phenomena and containment problems.

2.2.1 Radius of Cavity. The predicted cavity

radius was 24.7 meters. This was based on cube-root

scaling from Hardhat where the observed cavity radius

was 19.2 meters (Reference 7). The yield used for

Shoal was the measured 12.5 kt and that for Hardhat was

5.9 kt. The chamber sizes for Hardhat and Shoal are comparable. Accordingly, cube-root scaling should be applicable. A check was performed establishing the peak pressure at the cavity radius for Hardhat and computing the distance for equal pressure for Shoal. This confirmed the cube-root scaling procedure.

2.2.2 Cracking Radius. Radial cracking for the Shoal event was predicted to extend to approximately 159 meters in the free field and possibly greater distances where the presence of openings produces a free-face effect.

The extent to which fractures will be propagated due to a subsurface detonation has been found to depend upon the physical properties of the shot medium. It is therefore necessary to rely upon past experience in the medium and any experimental data which have a bearing on the problem. From Hardhat it was found that post-shot fractures, observable in the tunnel, extended to a distance of 159 meters from the W.P. (Reference 8); free-field fractures would be expected to be less but no maximum value is recorded for these. Radioactivity was encountered in the end of the Hardhat drift and therefore continuous channels for transport must have existed out to this distance, a radius of approximately 61 meters. This may then constitute a minimum free-field fracture radius.

The above values were used to predict the extent
of radial fracturing anticipated for the Shoal event by
considering the permanent radial displacements and as-
sociated strains for the two events. The predicted and
observed radial displacements were derived by a method
similar to that outlined in Appendix A and are shown in
Figures 2.1 and 2.2. The use of strain data in obtaining
predictions of fracturing radius is logical if the mode
of deformation is considered. As the cavity expands, the
forces existing in the free field are a radial compression
coupled with a tangential expansion. This situation may
be approximated by uniaxial compression tests since the
stresses created by tangential tension cannot become large
for geologic materials. The permanent strain of 159 meters
for Hardhat was 0.125 percent as obtained from Figure 2.1.
Using this strain, fracturing would extend to a distance
of 201 meters for Shoal. Similarly, a minimum value was
established for Shoal by considering the strain at 61 meters
for Hardhat since radioactive contamination entered the
drift at this radius. This yielded a radial distance of
about 76 meters for an equivalent strain at Shoal.

Since the maximum fracturing radius observed in tun-
nels is certainly greater than in the free-field condition,
it is necessary to obtain estimates of the latter.

From results of three uniaxial compression tests on

the Shoal granite cores by the Waterways Experiment Station, an average maximum compressive strain of 0.25 percent was indicated (Reference 9). This strain corresponds to that predicted at 159 meters for the Shoal event.

Additionally, an examination of uniaxial compressive tests on Unaweep granite cores (Reference 10) revealed that a strain of 0.33 percent was sufficient to produce fracturing. Utilizing this strain, a free-field fracture radius of 146 meters was predicted for the Shoal event. These predictions appeared reasonable in the light of maximum and minimum figures previously established and the fact that fracture strains for various granites vary only slightly. A radius of 159 meters was therefore predicted as the outer limit of free-field fracturing.

2.2.3 Radius of Radiation Injection into Cracks by Particulates and Condensates. Data concerning the radial distribution of radioactive materials in fractures are very limited. The outer limit of radioactivity indicated at Rainier was about 58 meters (Reference 11). The outer limit of fracturing shown in Table 14 (Reference 12) was 85.3 meters. Assuming that the ratio of the radius of radioactivity to the radius of cracking is constant for various media, then the outer limit of radioactivity for Shoal would have been

$$(58/85.3) \times 159 \text{ meters} = 108 \text{ meters}$$

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where 159 meters is the cracking radius as predicted in Section 2.2.2. A check was made by considering that radioactivity entered the Hardhat drift at a distance of at least 61 meters. By a computation similar to that outlined in Section 2.2.2 a minimum radioactive fracture radius for Shoal was found to be about 91.4 meters.

2.2.4 Height of Chimney. A chimney height of 110 meters was predicted. This was based on the calculation described in Appendix A for a predicted cavity radius of 24.7 meters. The swell factor, n, used in the computation, was based on the observed chimney volume for Hardhat in relation to the in situ volume of rock which filled the available space following cavity collapse. This factor was 1.35, as computed from the equations given in Appendix A.

2.2.5 Depth of Spalling. Predictions of the lowest limit of spalling for the Shoal event were obtained by analog computation. The spall depths and thickness of the relatively undisturbed section predicted therefore differed slightly from that previously quoted (Reference 13) but the conclusions as to containment remained valid.

Since the number and depth of any spalls calculated are extremely dependent on the tensile strength that is

assumed for the medium, various cases were analyzed by analog computations for the Shoal event. A peak pressure pulse reflected at the surface equal to 210 bars (resulting from a yield of 14.26 kt) was assumed, and the tensile strength was varied from 6.9 to 82.7 bars in 6.9 bar steps to determine its effect on spalling depth. The peak pressure due to a 12.5 kt yield varies only slightly from the above, so the calculations remained valid.

The graphical plot of the data (Figure 2.3) shows the variation in depth and number of spalls as a function of tensile strength. It may be seen that no spalls occur when the tensile strength exceeds approximately 75.9 bars, and the deepest spalling occurs when the assumed strength is around 13.8 bars. The analog computations were checked and found to agree with those obtained graphically for 27.6 bars. One could then have said that, regardless of the tensile strength, the worst depth of spalling should be about 122 meters below the surface. This lower limit would leave a relatively undisturbed section of 134 meters between it and the top of the predicted chimney.

2.2.6 Radius of Spalling. To determine the distance out to which surface damage would occur, the lateral extent of spalling from surface zero was investigated. The exact determination of this radius was not obtainable by analytic methods, but estimates were obtained by comparing

the predicted surface displacements with those for an event where the spalling radius was known. For Hardhat the observed surface zero displacement due to spalling was 69.9 cm and spalling extended laterally between 457 and 914 meters (Reference 14). Displacements dropped off rapidly as the horizontal distance from surface zero increased. At 457 meters only 2.5 cm was observed. For Shoal the surface zero displacement was predicted to be 47.7 cm, which was less than that for Hardhat. Since the decrease in surface displacement with distance was assumed to be similar to that for Hardhat, the lateral extent of spalling was predicted to be of about the same magnitude, or less than 914 meters.

2.2.7 Elastic Radius. The elastic radius was predicted to occur between a radius of 253 to 286 meters. Prediction of the elastic radius becomes important in the determination of the attenuation rates for the propagated seismic signal. From an examination of empirical data, a distinct decrease in the attenuation is noticed on acceleration and particle velocity records at a particular distance from ground zero. This point may be accepted as the elastic limit and may be determined by considering the predicted pressures or particle velocities in relation to the properties of the medium.

Hydrodynamic calculations indicated that by a process

of convergence of the propagation velocity upon a final value (i.e., the limit of hydrodynamic action), an elastic radius would be determined to be about 253 meters. A similar computation for Hardhat yielded a radius of 230 meters, which was in general agreement with that observed. From an examination of the regression lines for particle velocity at Hardhat by the Sandia Corporation (Reference 15), a break point was indicated at a particle velocity of about 2.13 m/sec and a range of 222 meters. A possible additional check was made by scaling up this distance to the Shoal yield giving a prediction of 286 meters as the elastic limit.

Some doubt may be entertained as to whether the elastic limit is a distinct point or rather a range of pressures or particle velocities over which a change in attenuation occurs. The assignment of a discrete radius was therefore extremely tenuous and the elastic limit was considered as occurring approximately within a zone given by the radii shown above (253 to 286 meters).

2.2.8 Tunnel Closure Radius. Tunnel closure for the Hardhat event was continuous from the end of the drift out to station 3 + 90 (Reference 8), a radial distance of 128 meters from the W.P. Using this value as the parameter for cube-root scaling, a prediction of 164 meters was obtained as the outer limit of complete tunnel

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closure for Shoal. As in the case of continuous tunnel

damage, closure is dependent upon the pre-shot local

geology to a large extent. Since the ground out to

station 3 + 85 was highly fractured, the possibility of

closure to 187 meters was not considered unlikely. With

this in mind, and the fact that some closure at Hardhat

occurred at 137 meters in a fault zone (Reference 8),

closure for Shoal was anticipated to a radial distance

of 187 meters.

2.2.9 Tunnel Damage Radius. The extent of damage

to tunnels and shafts arising from a subsurface detona-

tion is a function of the pre-shot geologic condition,

physical properties of the medium, the angle of inci-

dence and any support features employed. Radii quoted

in Section 2.2.8 for this terminal effect considered

these factors and indicated a range over which this

damage would occur. However, since it is more useful

to indicate a specific distance and the factors affecting

possible variations, a more comprehensive procedure was

employed. The availability of empirical data from Hard-

hat, an event in granite with an essentially similar

configuration, provided the basis for prediction of

effects by cube-root scaling witnout tne omission of

extenuating facto

Continuous damage in the Hardnat access tunnel

extended to station 2 + 47, a radial distance of about

172 meters from the shot point (Reference 8). The heavy

damage between stations 2 +·90 and 3 + 40 was attributed

to incompetent pre-shot conditions produced by a fault

zone in this region. The radius of continuous tunnel

damage for Hardhat was 172 meters. Using this value,

by cube-root scaling, a damage distance of 221 meters

was predicted for Shoal. It was considered possible that

the presence of a highly fractured and faulted zone at

a range of 232 to 258 meters might increase this predicted

distance but the amount was not subject to accurate com-

putation.

2 2.10 Predictions on Stemming. The evaluation of

the stemming plan for Shoal contained in this report was

based on the information contained in Reference 16. Con-

sideration was also given to further details contained

in other construction and support criteria. The yield

used was the measured value of 12.5 kt as stated in

Reference 17. The depth of W.P. was 366 meters, and

the location was 6.1 meters south of core hole ECH-D.

At the NVOO meeting on acceptability September 7, 1962,

the criterion established by NVOO was that venting should

not exceed that of the Gnome and Hardhat events.

Since the Hardhat event was the only U.S. nuclear

explosion in granite, a comparison was made of the

effects of that event and those which were anticipated for the Shoal event. In both cases the chamber sizes were very small. Accordingly, the effect of chamber volume was not an important factor in comparing the two events.

The design for emplacement of the device vertically over the access drift instead of to one side was new. Also, there were a number of features of particular interest. The device was placed in a 38.1 cm diameter horizontal hole 6.1 meters from the W.P. and stemmed with sand. This arrangement was considered comparable to the explosion of a device in a drilled hole. The stemmed hole and sand near the W.P. was considered to provide effective initial stemming.

The back or top of the access tunnel directly below the proposed device emplacement locations, Station 10 + 00, was at a distance of 9.15 meters from the center of the explosion. Calculations indicated that the tunnel would be closed before any blast effects could reach this location by the longer path through Plug #1, down the raise and back to Station 10 + 00. The fact that sand stemming originally proposed in the raise was omitted was not expected to adversely affect the performance of the self-sealing arrangement.

The minimum yield that would produce closure was

computed on the basis of equal impulse to be 0.02 kt. The methods of computations for such small yields were open to question. However, even if the yield were very small, it was considered that the series of plugs would be adequate to contain the explosion.

2.2.11 Effectiveness of Plugs in Access Drift. The effectiveness of plugs is related to the damage radii anticipated. The four sand-fill plugs were at distances along the drift of approximately 6.1, 27.4, 45.7 and 76.2 meters from the point opposite the W.P. The latter two were much closer scaled radial distances than the sand plugs at Hardhat. These were located at approximate distances of 84 and 110 meters. Experience at Hardhat relative to the latter plug indicated that inward movement of rock compressed the plug thereby increasing its effectiveness. However, following cavity collapse (as predicted for Shoal), radioactive gases permeated the broken granite and entered the access tunnel beyond the last plug. These gases were largely contained by the gas seal door which was located approximately 234 meters from the W.P. At Shoal similar effects were considered probable but Plug #7 in the shaft was felt to be sufficient to filter out any radioactive particulate matter that might reach this area and thus minimize escape of radioactive gases to the surface.

2.2.12 Conclusions. As a result of evaluation of Reference 16 and subsequent data, conclusions were as follows:

1. There would be damage to the access drift beyond the last plug in the access drift with a high probability of contamination of that portion of the drift.

2. The 30.5 meter sand plug at the bottom of the shaft would prevent radioactive particulate matter from reaching that portion of the shaft above the plug and reduce the venting of radio-active gases to an acceptable level.

3. Damage to the shaft would necessitate remedial measures comparable to those for Hardhat if re-entry were made.

4. Geologic conditions were less favorable for containment than at Hardhat in that faulting and fracturing were extensive. This would be a factor in damage -- generally increasing damage where faults exist.

5. The stemming plan was generally adequate to reduce venting to a level less than observed at the Gnome and Hardhat events.

2.2.13 Evaluation of Possibility of Steam-Generated Secondary Explosion. Since hydrologic conditions at Shoal

were not accurately known (see page 14), the presence of water-bearing zones in the vicinity of the W.P. was assumed and possible effects were investigated. A review of the probable temperature-pressure history of the cavity was first made. This showed that initially the cavity would be filled with vaporized granite and water in the form of steam, the water being obtained from fixed water in the granite, all at extremely high temperature and pressure. Almost immediately the temperature would drop to a level where vaporized granite would condense. At the end of this phase the cavity would be filled with steam and there would be molten granite on the side walls and probably collected in a pool at the bottom. The temperature would then continue to be reduced by heat transfer to surrounding rock until a plateau was reached, when the granite started to solidify. The reason for the plateau is that as the granite solidifies, it gives up its heat of fusion, slowing down the general cooling. This temperature would be about 704 degrees C, the approximate melting point of granite (Reference 18).

Consideration was then given to the situation existing when the temperature remains at 704 degrees C during the period in which solidification of molten granite was proceeding at a relatively slow rate. As pointed out above, all the vaporized rock (and metal

from the device) would have been condensed. The device was placed in a 38.1 cm hole which was tamped; therefore, there should be very little air in the cavity. Only steam produced from water contained in vaporized or molten rock would remain. It was believed that the fixed water in the rock which was displaced radially would not be released.

Assuming that cavity collapse had not occurred, a computation was made as shown in Appendix B. This was for a 25.9 meter radius cavity but was also valid for a 24.7 meter radius predicted for a yield of 12.5 kt. Of particular interest was the conclusion that after vaporized rock has condensed, the cavity is filled with steam at 704 degrees C and the pressure would only be .345 bar absolute. In Reference 19, a post-shot evaluation of Rainier, it is hypothesized that a pressure drop occurred because steam escaped from the cavity through fissures. (Since there was no report of venting, this assumption of escape of steam may not be justified.) The occurrence of the pressure drop is based on examination of vesiculated material. It is stated on page 4, Reference 19, that, "Thus, the evidence strongly points to the fact that the vapor pressure was 40 atmospheres inside the chamber immediately after the shot while glass droplets were still falling from the roof of the chamber; a minute or two later the pressure had dropped to a few atmospheres."

The drop of pressure to a low value immediately after the explosion was considered to be a factor in cavity collapse.

The spalling of pieces of rock from the surface of the cavity by steam forming behind the face would be accelerated by the low pressure. However, the analysis indicated that an influx of a large volume of water within a particular length of time would be required to cause the pressure to rise to 6.9 bars. At the assumed rate of flow of 265.0 liter/min, 7 hours would be required. If a larger flow was assumed the time would be reduced proportionately. Although precise procedures for analysis of the rates of heat transfer were not developed, an approximate analysis indicated that the inflow of water would have a net cooling effect on the heated rock in and surrounding the cavity.

The above discussion assumed that the cavity would not collapse before the pressure was reduced to the point where water might enter. Since at Hardhat, cavity collapse did not occur until 11 hours after the event (Reference 7), this was a reasonable assumption. It was assumed that cavity collapse was unlikely until the pressure in the cavity was reduced to a value less than the lithostatic pressure, 82.7 bars. If collapse occurred when the cavity pressure was somewhat greater than 6.9 bars, cooling should have proceeded at a rapid rate from

the effect of the relatively cool rock masses falling in-
to the cavity.

The only other concern was that water entering tun-
nels in the vicinity of the shot point may have been
heated by the effect of the explosion. Consideration of
the limited heat available in such a case indicated that
relatively small quantities of steam would be generated.
While such an explosion might have had a local effect,
it was felt unlikely that it could affect containment.
Passage of the steam through access tunnel plugs was con-
sidered improbable. If it did vent into the access tun-
nel, condensation would reduce the pressure materially
before the steam reached the 30.5 meter plug in the shaft.
This massive plug was felt sufficient to effectively pre-
vent any steam escaping to the atmosphere.

On the basis of the above discussion, the following
conclusions were reached:

1. Evidence suggested that ground water may have
   existed in the vicinity of the W.P.

2. Following the condensation of vaporized rock
   and metal from the device, the steam pressure
   in the cavity was expected to be very low, less
   than one bar. When the shell of melted rock
   was broken by implosion of portions of the shell
   by steam in pockets behind the face, an inflow

of water would occur slowly, raising the steam pressure and cooling the rock. The pressure was considered to be limited to 6.9 bars as any increase above that pressure would prevent further inflow of water.

3. Should the cavity collapse, temperatures and pressures would be lower than at the time rock is solidifying. Rapid cooling from introduction of broken rock would reduce temperatures and pressures rapidly.

4. Entry of water into heated tunnels or other openings near the W.P. might cause localized explosions. Condensation of steam in passageways and the 30.5 meter plug in the shaft would have prevented steam reaching the surface.

5. Finally, no significant hazard existed from secondary explosion by entry of ground water into the cavity.

2.2.14 Estimate of Prompt Venting of Gaseous Isotopes.
It was estimated that prompt venting of radioactive isotopes to the surface through fissures was unlikely for reasons stated below. The possibility of venting through stemming is discussed in Section 2.2.12.

It was predicted that surface spalling would extend to a depth at Surface Zero not greater than 122 meters.

Prior to the collapse of the cavity (which, on the basis of experience in Hardhat, would be delayed) there would remain above the cavity a thickness of $366 - (25.9 + 122) = 218$ meters of relatively undisturbed rock. All holes from the surface were reported to have been grouted to prevent escape of radioactive gases to the surface. Drilling in the vicinity of the W. P. established the fact there were no faults within a radial distance of 30.5 meters. Under these conditions the displacement of material radially from the W. P. would compress the gouge in the fault and inhibit the escape of radioactive gases through Fault Zone E at a radial distance of about 34 meters.

The possibility of immediate escape of radioactive gases through a thickness of 218 meters appeared to be extremely remote. In the first place the very small diameter of the chamber assured the maximum degree of melting of the granite. The molten layer at the periphery of the cavity was felt to be impervious to the escape of gases as the tendency would be to drive the molten material into any fissures which might exist and close them. Such action is indicated in tuff (Reference 19). However, as cooling occurs, post-shot observations of Rainier indicate that the wall material is imploded into the cavity (Reference 19). This is believed to be caused by steam pressure behind the surface. Since granite has a much smaller

quantity of moisture and greater competence, it was con-
sidered unlikely that such implosion would occur to the
same extent or as rapidly. This is substantiated by the
fact that no radiation was detected at Rainier's Surface
Zero until H + 1 hour at which time it was only 10 mr/hr
(Reference 19).

As a further consideration, estimates of the small
amount of water available for generation of steam indi-
cated that pressures in the cavity should be very low
following condensation of gaseous rock, which should
occur rapidly. This was important as there would be
insufficient pressure in the cavity to force radioactive
gases up through the overlying rock (see Section 2.2.13).

2.2.15 Prediction of Containment. It was predicted
that the Shoal event would be contained to the same degree
as the Hardhat event for reasons discussed below.

Containment of the explosion at the time of the
event depends upon adequacy of stemming, depth of burst,
and absence of passages which could provide a path for
radioactive venting. Following the explosion, some of
the wall material was expected to implode, breaking the
seal formed by the melting of a shell of rock at the
periphery of the cavity. This would permit the escape
of some radioactive gases into fissures in the rock.

After the cavity collapsed, a different situation

would exist. A chimney having a height of 110 meters measured from the elevation of the W.P. was predicted. A depth of spalling not to exceed 122 meters was predicted. Thus, there would remain a thickness of 366 - (110 + 122) = 134 meters of relatively undisturbed rock as a barrier against escape of radioactive gases to the surface. It was assumed that the temperatures and pressures would have been markedly reduced by the collapse of the cavity and the filling of the cavity with rubble at the ambient temperature of the rock (except for that portion adjacent to the cavity). Therefore, any possible escape of radioactive gases to the surface would be more in the nature of a low-pressure migration or diffusion. Radioactive isotopes that condense at ambient temperatures should not reach the surface. There remain xenon and krypton which might possibly escape to the surface at a slow rate.

Stemming, as discussed in Section 2.2.10, was predicted to be adequate for the immediate period of the explosion and that following cavity collapse.

2.3 SEISMIC EFFECTS

Predictions of particle motions, for the Shoal model described in Chapter 1, were made using the equations given below.

2.3.1 Acceleration. The particle acceleration equation was developed through use of a least-squares equation for three components of surface peak particle

acceleration for tuff which was adjusted to fit the value
of acceleration observed at the Las Vegas Seismic Safety
Net Station from the Clearwater event.

The least-squares equation was:

$$a - 3.2 \times 10^6 \, W^{.7} \, R^{-2.0} \quad \text{(Reference 20)} \quad (2.3.1)$$

where

　　a is in units of gravity

　　W is in kilotons

　　R is in feet

or for R in meters,

$$a = 2.96 \times 10^5 \, W^{.7} \, R^{-2.0} \quad\quad (2.3.2)$$

Computation of peak surface particle acceleration
using equation 2.3.2, the Clearwater-Las Vegas distance
in meters and the reported yield for Clearwater yielded
a value lower than the recorded 0.0005 g (Reference 21).
To rectify the discrepancy, the coefficient of equation
2.3.2 was adjusted to fit the observed value by sub-
stituting the observed Clearwater-Las Vegas results in
the equation:

$$a = K \, W^{.7} \, R^{-2.0} \quad\quad (2.3.3)$$

The value of the coefficient, K, obtained from equa-
tion 2.3.3 is 5.03×10^5 which, when substituted above,
yields the equation:

$$a = 5.03 \times 10^5 \, W^{.7} \, R^{-2.0} \quad\quad (2.3.4)$$

This was used to predict surface particle acceleration
for the Shoal event (see Figure 2.4 and Table 2.2).

2.3.2 Displacement. The displacement equation is that reported in Reference 22 as:

$$\text{Log } A = 0.75 \text{ Log } Y - 1.73 \text{ Log } R \qquad (2.3.5)$$

which, rewritten in exponential form, is:

$$d = W^{.75} R^{-1.73} \qquad (2.3.6)$$

where

d = surface displacement in centimeters

W = yield in kilotons

R = distance in kilometers

or for R in meters,

$$d = 1.51 \times 10^5 W^{.75} R^{-1.73} \qquad (2.3.7)$$

The peak surface particle displacement predicted at Las Vegas for the Clearwater event was 0.004 cm. Since a value of 0.003 cm (Reference 21) was observed for a lower yield, equation 2.3.7 was used to predict the displacements expected from the Shoal event (see Figure 2.5 and Table 2.2).

2.3.3 Velocity. Data for peak surface particle velocity, of a reliability equal to that of acceleration and displacement data in the range of interest, were not available. Accordingly, simple harmonic motion was assumed and an equation for particle velocity was obtained through use of the relationship:

$$u = \left[K(ad) \right]^{.5} \qquad (2.3.8)$$

where

K = gravitational constant – 980 centimeters/second/
second

u = peak surface particle velocity in centimeters/
second

a = peak surface particle acceleration in g's

d = peak surface particle displacement in centimeters.

The values of acceleration and displacement substituted in equation 2.3.8 are obtained from prediction equations 2.3.4 and 2.3.7 given above. The resulting peak surface particle velocity equation is:

$$u = 8.64 \times 10^6 \, W^{.73} \, R^{-1.87} \qquad (2.3.9)$$

This equation was used to predict particle velocity for Shoal (see Figure 2.6 and Table 2.2).

2.3.4 Equations in Terms of Particle Motion.

Equations 2.3.4, 2.3.7 and 2.3.9 may be rewritten in order to obtain distance to any particular motion of interest. These are:

$$R = \left[\frac{5.03 \times 10^5 \, W^{.7}}{a} \right]^{.50} \qquad (2.3.10)$$

$$R = \left[\frac{1.51 \times 10^5 \, W^{.75}}{d} \right]^{.58} \qquad (2.3.11)$$

$$R = \left[\frac{8.64 \times 10^6 \, W^{.73}}{u} \right]^{.54} \qquad (2.3.12)$$

where

R = distance in meters

W = yield in kilotons

a = peak surface particle acceleration in units of
gravity (g)

d = peak surface particle displacement in centimeters

u = peak surface particle velocity in centimeters/
second

Equations 2.3.10 and 2.3.12 have been used in com-
puting distance to 0.1 g and 11 cm/sec for radius of damage
as shown in Figure 2.7 and distance to 0.001 g for limit
of perceptibility in the same figure.

CHAPTER III

ANALYSIS AND INTERPRETATION

3.1 PHENOMENOLOGY AND CONTAINMENT

As stated in Chapter 2, prediction of effects and an evaluation of containment were made for the purposes of operational safety. Limited post-shot exploration permits a comparison of only some of the predicted quantities with observed values. The primary result of the Shoal event was that it was satisfactorily contained as predicted. The prediction of containment was based on an estimation and analysis of the individual effects anticipated and the interrelation of one to another with respect to containment.

3.1.1 Cavity Radius. The post-shot cavity radius as determined by drilling was 25.6 ± .6 meters (Reference 17). This compares very well with the predicted radius of 24.7 meters, confirming the procedure of scaling Hardhat results to the Shoal yield.

3.1.2 Chimney Height. The post-shot chimney height was found to be 108 meters (Reference 17). The predicted value was 110 meters. This close agreement substantiates the granite swell factor and other assumptions used to determine the extent of chimney formation.

3.1.3 Depth of Spalling. The lowest limit of spall-
ing was predicted to be 122 meters below the surface. Ex-
act post-shot data are not available but indications are
that spalling extended below 120 meters. It has been
stated (Reference 23) that an examination of records from
gages vertically over the shot point indicated that free
fall occured at a depth of 85.5 meters. It was also be-
lieved that free fall occurred at a depth of 120 meters
but owing to gage difficulties this is not positive. The
cable leading to the accelerometer broke at 0.3 seconds
providing only a partial record. The velocity gage gave
a continuous record and the slope indicated free fall but
the period was so short that a positive interpretation can-
not be made.

3.1.4 Radius of Spalling. The lateral extent of
spalling from surface zero was predicted to be less than
914 meters. This has been shown to be close to the ob-
served radius by the results given in Reference 24. From
aerial examination it was found that intense fracturing
was confined to within 107 meters of surface zero. Frac-
tures up to 1.3 cm wide occurred out to 458 meters south,
794 meters north, 366 meters east and 610 meters west;

some fractures in this zone were as wide as 15 cm. It is felt that these fractures are indicative of the radii to which spalling occurred and are in agreement with the prediction thus providing substantiation for the procedures used.

The above-mentioned effects were all used to arrive at the conclusion that the Shoal event would be contained. Additionally, an evaluation of the stemming plan showed it to be adequate. Both of these conclusions were completely substantiated by the results of the test.

Several predicted effects such as cracking radius, radius of radioactive injection into cracks and tunnel damage predictions c.n not be substantiated accurately due to the lack of post-shot data at this time.

3.2 SEISMIC EFFECTS

As detailed in Chapter 1, surface motions resulting from the Shoal event were recorded at various locations with acceleration, displacement, and/or velocity-sensitive instruments. The resulting records have been corrected for the particular instrument transfer function to obtain true ground motion neglecting instrument to ground coupling. Additionally, the corrected acceleration and

displacement records have been integrated and differentiated respectively to obtain surface particle velocity where direct measurements of this parameter were not made. Peak values of surface particle motion have been determined from the corrected records. In addition, the available components at each station have been analyzed simultaneously in order to determine the absolute values of peak motion received at the station. These values are denoted as peak resultant vectors.

In order to evaluate the specific objectives stated in Chapter I, the peak motions have been segregated into classifications on the basis of parameter of motion measured, component measured, station lithology and relation of station location to areal geology. All peak motions, both directly measured and derived, are given in Tables 3.1 through 3.3. In view of the fact that funds for accomplishment of detailed analyses of data were delayed, it is not practicable to include such results in this report. A research report covering the analyses of Shoal data and that from other events will be submitted when detailed analyses have been completed. The preliminary analysis and interpretation of results presented here are given on an objective-by-objective basis.

3.2.1 The Variation in Amplitude of Ground Motions

on Granite and Alluvium with Distance. Figures 3.1

through 3.12 show peak surface resultant vectors and in-

dividual components of ground motion recorded on granite

and alluvium from the Shoal event by the USC&GS. Besides

the recorded values, the graphs show the least-square re-

gression equation derived from the data and the standard

error of estimate (which will be discussed in detail in

Section 3.2.6, below).

The data recorded on alluvium show consistently

larger particle motions than that recorded on granite.

The rates of attenuation for the two media are nearly the

same. Sufficient measurements were made to allow an ap-

proximation of the magnitude of amplification caused by

the presence of alluvium. Although some differences in

rates of attenuation between granite and alluvium meas-

urements are evident (see Figures 3.1 through 3.4) and

the overlap of data with distance is small, it can be

seen that peak accelerations on alluvium are larger than

peak accelerations on granite by an average factor of 2.1.

Similarly, for displacement (Figures 3.5 through 3.8) the

factor averaged 3.7 and for velocity (Figures 3.9-3.12)

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3.2.2 The Effect of Faulting on Ground Motion. Peak

resultant vectors of particle motion measured on instru-

ment lines parallel to the major northeast-southwest fault

trend have been compared with those measured on lines per-

pendicular to the faulting. The orientation of applicable

stations with respect to the fault trend are listed in

Table 3.4. Figures 3.13 through 3.15 show data points and

the associated least-squares regression lines for lines

parallel and perpendicular to the fault trend. These fig-

ures show a trend to higher rates of attenuation perpen-

dicular to the faulting than are seen parallel to the

faulting. However, the evidence is not sufficiently

strong to state that there is a definite difference in

attenuation due to energy transmission across fault sys-

tems.

3.2.3 The Effect of Thickness of Alluvium on the

Amplitude and Attenuation of Amplitude with Distance.

This effect may be best examined for Shoal by comparing

data recorded on the thick alluvium of Fairview Valley

to the east of the Sand Springs Range with that recorded

on Fourmile and Eightmile Flats to the west of the Sand

Springs Range where the alluvium wedges out against the

underlying granite. However, insufficient data were obtained to make a meaningful statistical evaluation of this effect.

3.2.4 The Partition of Compressional Wave Energy into Surface Waves at a Lithologic Discontinuity. As seen in Figures 3.1 through 3.12, the rates of attenuation for stations on alluvium are nearly the same as those for stations on granite. This seems to indicate that even though thick alluvium is present, the peak motions measured on alluvium were the result of the same type of wave that produced peak motions at the granite stations. The rates of attenuation observed on alluvium from the Shoal event are considerably higher (with the exception of the transverse component) than the atcenuation rate observed for surface-type waves generated by twenty-eight events at Yucca Flat (Reference 25). Therefore, it is probable that all peak motions recorded at Shoal were the result of body waves which in the presence of thick alluvium have been amplified by the factors discussed in Section 3.2.1, above. Because of this, no determination of energy partition between body and surface waves at a lithologic discontinuity can be made. It is important

to note that the above discussion is based on peak ampli-
tudes measured by instruments which respond best to peri-
ods of four seconds or less. The intent is not to say
that long period surface waves, possibly of large ampli-
tude, did not occur; but rather that there was no evi-
dence from these particular instruments that this type
wave produced any peak motions.

3.2.5 The Directional Response Characteristics of
the Shot Medium. The azimuthal variations of amplitude
in the Sand Springs Range appear to be controlled to a
certain extent by the major fault trend in the range (see
Section 3.2.2, above). Analysis has not indicated any
azimuthal variations due to inherent properties of the
shot media, i.e., granite, separately from the effects
attributed to faulting.

3.2.6 The Degree of Scatter in Recorded Ground
Motions. The degree of scatter is difficult to judge
without the use of statistical analysis. A convenient
numerical quantity is the standard error of estimate
(σ_y) which can be determined during the regression an-
alysis. This is a multiplicative factor -- additive in
logarithmic form -- and has the following significance.

Assuming normal distribution of data points used in the regression analysis, a band width of 1 σ_y on either side of the regression line will include about 68 percent of the data points. A band of $\pm$ 2 σ_y or 3 σ_y will include about 95 percent or 99 percent, respectively, of the data points. Standard errors are multiplicative because of the form of the equation which has been used:

$$PM = KR^{-n}$$

where

    PM = peak particle motion in g, cm, or cm/sec

          depending on type of motion

    R = distance in meters

    K, n = constants determined by regression analysis

    This equation is linear in logarithmic form

$$\log PM = \log K - n \log R.$$

The standard error of estimate is derived from this linear equation and is itself a logarithm. Therefore, $\log PM \pm \log \sigma_y$ means $(PM)(\sigma_y)$ or PM/σ_y.

The 1 σ_y band width is shown on the graphs and the value of σ_y is presented with the equations. In all cases where the regression equation is statistically significant, the value of σ_y is less than two. Thus,

the equations represent, within a factor of less than two, some 68 percent of the data values recorded if normal distribution is assumed.

3.2.7 The Ratio of (u^2/ad) Where u is Particle Velocity, a is Particle Acceleration, and d is Particle Displacement. This ratio was examined for the three stations at which independent measurements of the three ground motion parameters were made. These data are listed in Table 3.5. The computed ratios vary from .076 to .68. However, insufficient data were available to make meaningful statements about ratios associated with specific components.

3.2.8 Comparison of Observed Data with Predictions. Figures 3.16 through 3.18 show the comparison between equations used for predicting Shoal surface motions and the least-square regression lines for observed peak resultant vectors. All prediction equations are higher than the least-square fits for hardrock. The acceleration and displacement predictions are no higher than the +1 σ_y level and have slopes slightly in excess of those observed. The velocity prediction is higher than the hardrock-observed peak resultant vectors by a factor of

about two with nearly equivalent slopes. In all three comparisons the equations for data observed on alluvium are higher than the prediction equations by factors in the range of 1.5 to 4.0.

On the basis of this comparison, it is believed that the prediction equations for acceleration and displacement adequately represent a reasonable upper limit of motion measured on hardrock. The prediction equation for velocity is felt to be too high. If the +1 σ_y level is assumed to be a reasonable upper limit, then the coefficient of the velocity prediction equation is too high by an average factor of 1.6.

Based on this data, the prediction equations which will be used for future events in granite will be as follows:

for points of interest on hardrock

$$a = 5.03 \times 10^5 \ W^{.7} \ R^{-2.0}$$

$$d = 1.51 \times 10^5 \ W^{.75} \ R^{-1.73}$$

$$u = 5.40 \times 10^6 \ W^{.73} \ R^{-1.87}$$

for points of interest on alluvium

$$a = 1.06 \times 10^6 \ W^{.7} \ R^{-2.0}$$

$$d = 5.59 \times 10^5 \ W^{.75} \ R^{-1.73}$$

$$u = 1.84 \times 10^7 \ W^{.73} \ R^{-1.87}$$

where units are:

a = acceleration in g

d = displacement in cm

u = particle velocity in cm/sec

W = yield in kt

R = distance in meters

Future research and analysis may allow revision of the above equations so as to include variables (e.g., frequency) whose effect is not reflected in current prediction equations.

CHAPTER IV

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Detonation of the 12.5 kt Shoal event in granite has
provided much needed information on seismic effects relat-
ing to public safety. In addition to being the best-
instrumented shot to date in granite, Shoal also provided
the first sufficient amount of data for comparing the am-
plitudes of ground motions measured on hardrock with
those measured on alluvium.

The regression data are considered to be reasonably
reliable as evidenced by the values obtained for the
standard error of estimates.

It appears that peak motions on the alluvium are due
to the same type of wave as peak motions on hardrock.

The equations used by Roland F. Beers, Inc. to make
predictions agree well with observations.

The evaluation of containment for the Shoal event
and the adequacy of the stemming plan were substantiated
by the results of the test. Limited post-shot exploration
indicated that predictions of cavity radius, chimney
height, depth of spalling, and radius of spalling were ac-
curate. More extensive post-shot exploration would permit

comparisons of other predicted effects which could not
be evaluated presently.

Details of data processing methods and studies of a
long-range research nature will be published in a separate
report.

APPENDIX A

ANALYSIS OF SPALLING MECHANISM

Spalling is herein defined as the fracturing of a solid by
tensional stresses produced when a seismic pulse is re-
flected from a free face. The conversion of a compression-
al pulse to a tensional one is considered to be perfectly
elastic with no loss of energy into the atmosphere at the
solid-air interface.

The problem is to analyze the stress situation at
continuous distances back from the free face to determine
if sufficient tension exists to fracture the solid. The
tensional stress arises only from the reflected pulse,
whereas those forces resisting fracturing are that portion
of the compressional pulse waveform which has not yet
arrived at the interface, the tensile strength of the medi-
um, and any overburden pressure which becomes significant
when horizontal surfaces and long wave lengths are con-
sidered.

If the problem is restricted to one involving com-
pressional pulses arising from subsurface nuclear detona-
tions and a rock medium, generalized equations may be
used to determine the stress condition at continuous depths

below the surface. The equations are based on hydrodynamic considerations and machine computations; in the form shown they are applicable at ranges of a few hundred meters. The pulse shape assumed is one with an exponential decay thus producing a maximum pressure the instant the peak reaches a point of interest. The stress condition at any point below the surface may then be given by:

$$P_{net} = P_{ovb} + P_{ts} + P_{pwf} - P_{ref}$$

where

P_{net} - net stress at the section of interest

P_{ts} = constant - tensile strength of the medium

P_{ovb} = K (depth) - overburden stress

$P_{pwf} = P_p \left(\frac{r}{R}\right)^2$ - pressure wave form, or that portion

of the pulse which has not arrived

at the free surface

$P_{ref} = CR^{-1.5}$ - reflected peak pressure

where

R = depth of burial + the depth of interest

r = depth of burial - the depth of interest

The value of each of these quantities may then be computed as functions of depth to determine if P_{net} becomes ≥ zero, in which case a spall is predicted to occur. When

a spall occurs, the overburden pressure must be reduced to zero since the overlying strata are detached, and re-computed for further depths of interest on the basis of the newly created free surface. Additionally, the peak reflected pressure P_{ref} must be reduced to the value of the pressure wave form P_{pwf} at the new free face since the energy in the descending pulse is trapped in the spalled section. On the basis of these new values further depths of interest may be investigated to determine if additional spalls will occur.

Since actual test conditions are not similar to free-field predictions for a homogeneous medium, corrections for the variation in the stratigraphic section are introduced. The transmission coefficient, or change of pressure across an interface, is given by:

$$\frac{P_2}{P_1} = \frac{2\rho_1 C_1}{\rho_1 C_1 + \rho_2 C_2}$$

where ρ_1 is the density and C_1 is the compressional wave propagation velocity of the original medium and ρ_2, C_2 are those of the medium across the interface. Corrections for transmission coefficients must be introduced at all depths where they are applicable, to both the ascending

and descending pulses.

The analysis as outlined above is confined to the case of normal incidence only and three methods are presently available for the solution of the calculations; these are by graphical procedures, analog computer and digital computer.

POST-SHOT CHIMNEY CALCULATIONS

Calculations to determine the height to which post-shot chimney formation will occur are based on the assumption that:

1) The post-shot cavity is spherically symmetrical,

2) The chimney is cylindrical with a radius equal to that of the cavity, and

3) An increase in volume will occur upon breaking of solid material.

The volume of the cavity, or void, is

$$V_{cav} = 4/3 \pi R^3$$

The volume of the chimney (V_{ch}) is then given by

$$V_{ch} = \pi R^2 h$$

where

h = the height above the working point

Since the chimney volume includes one half of the cavity void, the volume of solids is seen to be:

$$V_{sol} = V_{ch} - \tfrac{1}{2} V_{cav}$$

The original volume of solid material must then swell upon breaking to include both its original volume and the volume of the existing void

$$(n) \; V_{sol} = V_{cav} + V_{sol}$$

where

(n) = the swell factor for the medium being considered.

Then $n \left[\pi R^2 h - 2/3 \pi R^3 \right] = 4/3 \pi R^3 + \pi R^2 h - 2/3 \pi R^3$

and $n (h - 2/3 R) = 2/3 R + h$

yielding $n = \dfrac{h + 2/3 R}{h - 2/3 R}$ and $h = \dfrac{2/3 \; R \; (1+n)}{n-1}$.

The value of (n) may then be determined for mediums in which experience is available and subsequently be used to determine the chimney height for future events, in the same medium, based on the predicted cavity radius.

PERMANENT DISPLACEMENT AND STRAIN CALCULATIONS

With the detonation of an underground nuclear explosion a post-shot cavity results which is larger than the original shot chamber. The expansion of this cavity to

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its final size entails the vaporization, melting and deformation of the material surrounding the original chamber. The major portion of the material is displaced radially from the source. The difference in position between an original point in the medium and its final location, as measured upon re-entry, is termed the permanent radial displacement of the point.

EQUATION DERIVATION

Given the initial chamber radius and final cavity size, the assumption can be made that the medium has behaved as an incompressible material and no loss of volume of material has occurred through vaporization or melting. The volume of material which originally occupied the post-shot cavity must, therefore, be distributed throughout the medium. Assuming spherical symmetry the following equation may be derived:

Given: R_1 = radius of original shot chamber

R_1' = radius of post-shot cavity

R_2 = original radius to point of interest

R_2' = final radius to point of interest

If the original and final volumes are equal, then

$$4/3 \ \pi \ \left[(R_2)^3 - (R_1)^3\right] = 4/3 \ \pi \ \left[(R_2')^3 - (R_1')^3\right]$$

and $(R_2')^3 = (R_2)^3 - (R_1)^3 + (R_1')^3$ yielding $\Delta R_2 = R_2' - R_2$

which is the permanent radial displacement of a point

whose initial position was R_2.

Given the predicted radial permanent displacements,

the tangential strains may be computed by considering the

change in circumference at any radius of interest.

The compressive strain due to a radial displacement

is obtained by plotting the displacement versus distance,

and fitting an equation to that segment of interest. At

distances relevant to radial fracturing, this portion of

the curve may be approximated by the equation $D = CR^{-1.9}$

meters. The radial strain is then $\frac{dD}{dR} = -1.9 \ CR^{-2.9}$ meters/

meters.

APPENDIX B

These data were computed for an anticipated maximum yield of 14.26 kt but are equally valid for 12.5 kt.

Basic data:

Depth of burial - 366 meters

Cavity radius - 2.59×10^1 meters

Cavity volume - 7.3×10^4 M^3

Fixed water content of Shoal granite - 3% by volume

Melting point of Shoal granite - 704° (Reference 18)

Grams of water per cubic meter of rock - 3.0×10^5

Depth to top of water table - 297 meters

Hydrostatic pressure at W.P. (366-297) (.1) = 6.9 bars

Density of granite - $\rho o = 2.67$ gm/cm^3

The following computation is made with the assumption that only the rock which was melted would release its fixed water.

Heat of fusion for granite - 100 cal/gm

Specific heat - 0.2

Ambient rock temperature assumed - 20°C

Sensible heat - 136 cal/gm

Enthalpy - 9.88×10^9 ergs/gm @ 700°C

Waste heat density - 987.9 x 10^7 ergs/gm (2.67

gm/cm^3) = 2.64 x 10^{10} ergs/cm^3

From Hugoniot data for granite, this waste heat density occurs at a pressure of about 340 kilobars. This pressure has been determined from Beers, Inc. hydrodynamic computations to occur at a radius of 3.42 x 10^2 cm.

Volume of rock melted $= \dfrac{4 \pi (3.42^3)}{3} = 167$ m^3

Volume of fixed water vaporized = 0.03 (167) = 5 m^3

Weight of water vaporized = 5 x 1.0 x 10^3 = 5.0 x 10^3 kg

Specific volume of water @ 704°C $= \dfrac{7.3 \times 10^4}{5.0 \times 10^3} = 14.6$ m^3/kg

From steam tables for these conditions P = 0.35 bars

The above pressure of 0.35 bars is less than the hydro-static pressure of 6.9 bars and would, therefore, be insufficient to keep out water.

At some point, steam pressure behind the impervious layer formed by the melted rock may be sufficient to cause pieces of this layer to break out into the cavity and water might enter. Assuming that water flows in at a rate comparable to that in the E-1 hole, the pressure would increase until it reaches 6.9 bars at which time inflow would be stopped by equalization of pressure. The time to reach this pressure may be computed as follows:

At 704°C, the specific volume at 6.9 bars absolute = 0.652 m^3/kg.

Weight of water $= \dfrac{7.3 \times 10^4}{6.52 \times 10^{-1}} = 1.12 \times 10^5$ kg

Additional water required $1.12 \times 10^5 - 5.0 \times 10^3 =$

$$1.07 \times 10^5 \text{ kg}$$

The October 4, 1963 NVOO Construction Progress Report

shows Hole E-1 making 265 liter/min = 265 kg/min.

Time to reach 6.9 bars $= \dfrac{1.07 \times 10^5}{2.65 \times 10^2} = 404$ minutes ≈ 7 hours.

TABLE 2.1 COMPARISON OF PHYSICAL PROPERTIES
OF SHOAL AND CLIMAX STOCK GRANITES

Physical Property	Shoal Granite				Climax Stock Granite			
	Average	Maximum	Minimum	References	Average	Maximum	Minimum	References
Bulk Density, gm/cm^3	2.52 2.64	2.54 2.645	2.40 2.626	(26) (9)	2.67	2.69	2.56	(29)
Compressional Velocity, 10^3 m/sec	5.40 5.16	5.52 5.20	5.27 5.12	(26) (9)	6.25	6.45	6.175	(30)
Shear Velocity, 10^3 m/sec	3.03	3.11	2.89	(26)	3.42	3.49	3.28	(30)
Poisson's Ratio	0.268	0.288	0.257	(26)	0.30	0.33	0.27	(30)
Shear Modulus, 10^5 bars	2.31	2.44	2.12	(26)	3.04	3.24	2.62	(30)
Bulk Modulus, 10^5 bars	4.28	4.64	4.08	(26)	--	--	--	
Young's Modulus, 10^5 bars	5.88 4.97 --	6.17 5.06 4.64	5.42 4.92 3.47	(26) (9) (1)	7.93	8.20	7.45	(30)
Thermal Conductivity 10^3 gm cal/sec/cm	3.8	4.5	3.1	(1)	--	--	--	
Heat of Fusion cal/gm	100[a]	--	--	(27)	100[a]	--	--	(28)
Compressive Strength 10^3 bars	1.10	1.18	1.05	(9)	1.27	2.02	0.849	(31)
Tensile Strength 10^1 bars	6.55	6.66	6.48	(9)	13.2	--	--	(32)
Fracture Strain, Percent	0.33[a]	0.45[a]	0.2[a]	(28)	0.33[a]	0.45[a]	0.2[a]	(28)

a   An average figure for any typical granite

TABLE 2.2   PREDICTIONS OF AMPLITUDES OF GROUND MOTION

Peak Surface Particle Motions Expected at Locations
of Interest - Shoal Event, 12.5 KT

Location	Distance (Meters)	Acceleration (g)	Displacement (cm)	Velocity (cm/sec)
Site Comm. Rep.	1,463	1.38	3.26	65.9
C.P.	2,240-2,360	.59-.53	1.61-1.47	29.7-26.9
Observation Post	2,440	.50	1.39	25.3
Onset Damage	3,900	--	--	11.0
Onset Damage	5,430	.10	--	--
Hwy 50	7,200-9,600	.057-.032	.21-.13	3.4-2.0
Frenchman's Sta.	12,900	.018	.078	1.1
Nev. Scheelite	20,900	.0068	.034	.46
Salt Wells	26,000	.0044	.023	.30
Fallon Tower	35,000	.0024	.014	.17
Limit Perceptibility	54,300	.0010	--	--

TABLE 3.1 PEAK SURFACE PARTICLE ACCELERATION IN g's

Station	Distance (meters)	Component			Resultant Vector
		Vertical	Radial	Transverse	
Hardrock					
1/2A	954	--	0.956	--	--
1A	1,500	0.639, 0.783	0.588, 0.650	0.253	0.650, 0.813
2A	3,125	0.176	0.139	0.0842	0.215
3A	4,920	0.0906	0.207	0.0913	0.219
1B	1,805	0.538	0.385	0.530,	0.589
2B	3,394	0.119	0.0716	0.0718	0.120
3B	4,887	0.0789	0.0461	0.0639	0.0850
4B	6,522	0.0315	0.0371	0.0313	0.0422
6B	9,668	0.0210	0.0120	0.00993	0.0226
1/2C	1,042	1.72	1.06	0.989	1.77
1C	1,794	0.817, 0.903	0.460, 0.516	0.381, 0.366	0.927, 0.914
2C	3,392	0.181	0.283	0.194	0.337
3 1/2C	5,706	--	0.0742	--	--
1D	1,493	0.703, 0.652	0.570, 0.527	0.266	0.735, 0.711
East 1	14,430	--	--	--	--
West 1	19,150	--	--	--	--
Mercury	27,650	--	--	--	--
North 2	29,000	--	--	--	--
East 2	39,900	--	--	--	--
Gabbs Mine	55,400	--	--	--	--
(Scheelite?)	20,400	--	--	--	--

TABLE 3.1 (cont.)

Station	Distance (meters)	Component			Resultant Vector
		Vertical	Radial	Transverse	
Alluvium					
4 1/2A	7,147	0.0753	0.0606	0.0454	0.0768
8A	12,820	--	0.0206	0.0223	--
12A	18,890	0.0171	0.00986	0.00850	0.0179
3D	4,720	0.344	0.114	0.109	0.346
4 1/2D	6,921	--	0.0509	0.0386	0.0562
9D	14,062	0.0303	0.0382	0.0293	0.0303
16D	25,431	--	0.0116	0.0116	0.0146
Naval Air Sta.	36,200	--	--	--	--
(Scheelite?)	20,400	--	--	--	--

TABLE 3.2 PEAK SURFACE PARTICLE DISPLACEMENT IN CENTIMETERS

Station	Distance (meters)	Component			
		Vertical	Radial	Transverse	Resultant Vector
Hardrock					
1 2A	954	--	--	--	--
1A	1,500	2.50, 3.46	1.93, 1.8⁵	0.829, 0.719	2.56, 3.69
2A	3,125	1.08	0.634	--	1.16
3A	4,920	--	0.314	0.117	0.315
1B	1,805	--	2.09	2.66	3.28
2B	3,394	0.217	--	0.181	0.243
3B	4,887	--	--	--	--
4B	6,522	--	0.232	0.124	0.239
6B	9,668	--	0.127	0.0766	0.138
1/2C	1,042	2.73	2.50	--	2.74
1C	1,794	1.04, 1.26	0.830, 0.780	0.314, 0.324	1.24, 1.37
2C	3,392	0.572	0.554	--	--
3 1/2C	5,706	--	--	0.160	--
1D	1,493	--	1.92, 1.89	0.830, 0.742	1.92, 1.96
East 1	14,430	--	--	--	--
West 1	19,150	--	--	--	--
Mercury	27,650	--	--	--	--
North 2	29,000	--	--	--	--
East 2	39,900	--	--	--	--
Gabbs Mine (Scheelite?)	55,400 / 20,400	--	--	--	--

TABLE 3.2 (cont.)

Station	Distance (meters)	Component			
		Vertical	Radial	Transverse	Resultant Vector
Alluvium					
4 1/2A	7,147	0.582	1.11	0.503	1.15
8A	12,820	--	0.353	--	--
12A	18,890	--	--	0.233	--
3D	4,720	0.544	0.936	0.411	0.988
4 1/2D	6,921	--	0.509	0.463	0.533
9D	14,062	--	0.272	0.320	0.364
16C	25,431	0.0289	0.0670	0.0641	0.0707
Naval Air Sta.	36,200	--	--	--	--
(Scheelite?)	20,400	--	--	--	--

TABLE 3.3   PEAK SURFACE PARTICLE VELOCITY IN CM/SEC

Station	Distance (meters)	Vertical			Radial			Transverse			Resultant Vector		
		a	d	u	a	d	u	a	d	u	a	d	u
Hardrock													
1/2A	954	--	--	--	44.3	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
1A	1,500	24.6	26.8	--	24.6	27.5	--	9.26	9.21	--	35.7	30.6	--
		23.5	39.8	--	26.8	31.6	--	--	10.6	--	27.7	42.7	--
2A	3,125	4.38	7.98	--	5.62	4.76	--	2.70	--	--	7.08	8.32	--
3A	4,920	2.74	--	--	4.66	3.69	--	1.87	2.48	--	5.07	3.76	--
1B	1,805	27.9	--	--	24.9	28.5	--	25.5	30.4	--	32.7	33.0	--
2B	3,394	4.28	5.71	--	4.12	--	--	2.30	3.22	--	5.39	5.73	--
3B	4,887	2.11	--	2.00	2.34	--	2.41	1.47	--	1.79	2.42	--	3.12
4B	6,522	1.10	--	1.27	1.47	1.57	2.40	0.926	1.24	1.22	1.71	1.58	2.47
6B	9,668	0.561	--	0.344	0.581	0.599	0.418	0.371	0.480	0.354	0.685	0.672	0.480
1/2C	1,042	55.4	29.8	--	37.2	28.4	--	18.2	--	--	61.1	32.6	--
1C	1,794	18.4	17.9	--	14.5	11.1	--	7.82	5.97	--	19.6	18.7	--
2C	3,392	19.5	21.9	--	13.2	16.8	--	6.72	8.84	--	22.9	22.5	--
3 1/2C	5,706	4.87	4.65	--	7.94	7.50	--	4.19	--	--	8.03	--	--
		--	--	--	2.71	--	--	--	1.52	--	--	--	--
1D	1,493	36.3	--	--	30.7	33.3	--	11.4	12.5	--	37.7	33.3	--
		37.0	--	--	30.3	28.9	--	--	11.1	--	39.3	28.9	--
East 1	14,430	--	--	0.580	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
West 1	19,150	--	--	0.236	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Mercury	27,650	--	--	0.131	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
North 2	29,000	--	--	0.119	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
East 2	39,900	--	--	0.113	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Gabbs Mine	55,400	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
(Scheelite?)	20,400	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

TABLE 3.3 (cont.)

Station	Distance (meters)	Vertical			Radial			Transverse			Resultant Vector		
		a	d	u	a	d	u	a	d	u	a	d	u
Alluvium													
4 1/2A	7,147	3.47	5.50	--	7.55	8.30	--	3.77	4.35	--	7.92	8.63	--
8A	12,820	--	--	--	1.50	1.53	--	1.38	1.71	--	--	--	--
12A	18,890	0.802	--	--	0.876	--	--	1.22	--	--	1.22	--	--
3D	4,720	9.67	9.92	--	6.19	6.63	--	4.68	4.70	--	9.84	9.91	--
4 1/2D	6,921	1.11	--	--	3.57	4.44	--	3.18	3.44	--	3.77	4.44	--
9D	14,062	--	--	--	--	2.14	--	1.43	1.44	--	--	2.28	--
16D	25,431	--	0.326	--	0.723	0.801	--	0.757	0.855	--	0.855	0.901	--
Naval Air Sta.	36,200	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
(Scheelite?)	20,400	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

a Velocity derived from accelerometers.

d Velocity derived from displacement meters.

u Velocity from velocity meters.

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TABLE 3.4 STATIONS USED IN COMPARISON OF DATA MEASURED PARALLEL
AND PERPENDICULAR TO DIRECTION OF MAJOR FAULTING

Orientation	Station
Parallel	$\frac{1}{2}$A
	1A
	2A
	3A
	$\frac{1}{2}$C
	1C
	2C
	$3\frac{1}{2}$C
Perpendicular	1B
	2B
	3B
	4B
	6B
	1D

TABLE 3.5   RATIO OF $\dfrac{u^2}{ad}$

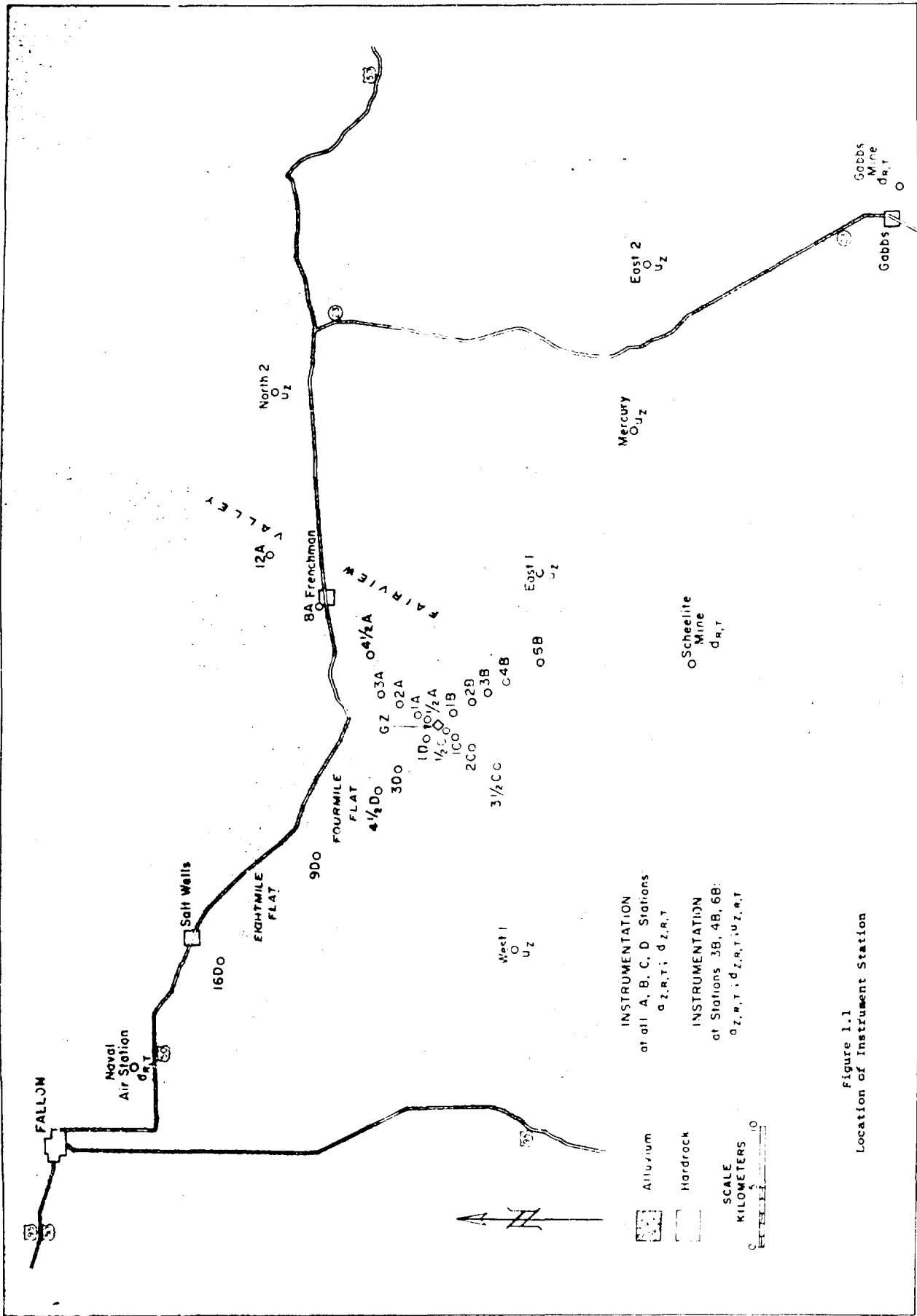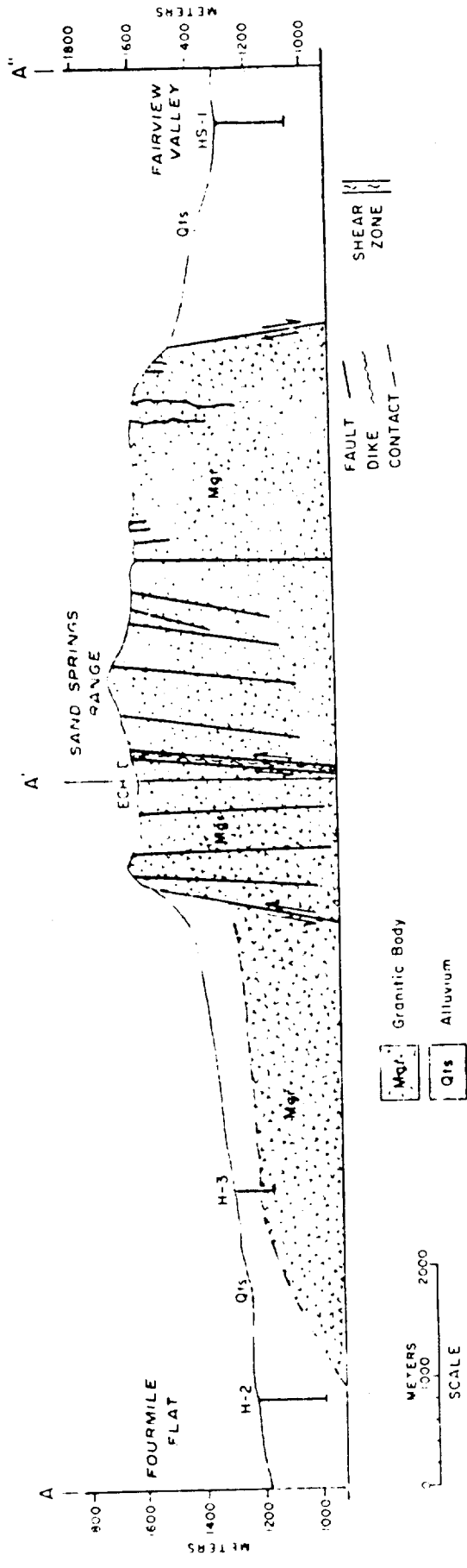| Station	Component	a Acceleration cm/sec^2	d Displacement cm	u Velocity cm/sec	$\dfrac{u^2}{ad}$
3B	Z	77.3	--	2.00	--
	R	45.2	--	2.41	--
	T	62.5	--	1.79	--
	vector	83.3	--	3.12	--
4B	Z	30.8	--	1.27	--
	R	36.4	.232	2.40	.68
	T	30.6	.124	1.22	.39
	vector	41.3	.239	2.47	.62
6B	Z	20.6	--	.344	--
	R	11.8	.127	.418	.12
	T	9.72	.0766	.354	.17
	vector	22.1	.138	.480	.076

Figure 1.1
Location of Instrument Station

FALLON

Naval Air Station $d_{R,T}$

Salt Walls

EIGHTMILE FLAT

FOURMILE FLAT

16Do

9Do

4½Do

3Do

GZ o3A o4½A

o2A

o1A

o½A

1Do o1Co o½C o1B

2Co o2B

3½Cc o3B

o4B

o5B

8A Frenchman

12A

FAIRVIEW VALLEY

North 2 O_{u_z}

East 2 O_{u_z}

East 1 O_{u_z}

West 1 O_{u_z}

Mercury O_{u_z}

oScheelite Mine $d_{R,T}$

Gabbs Mine $d_{R,ne}$ o

Gabbs

INSTRUMENTATION
at all A, B, C, D Stations
$a_{Z,R,T}$; $d_{Z,R,T}$

INSTRUMENTATION
at Stations 3B, 4B, 6B:
$a_{Z,R,T}$, $d_{Z,R,T}$, $u_{Z,R,T}$

Alluvium

Hardrock

SCALE
KILOMETERS

Figure 1.2
Cross Section A-A'-A"

LEGEND

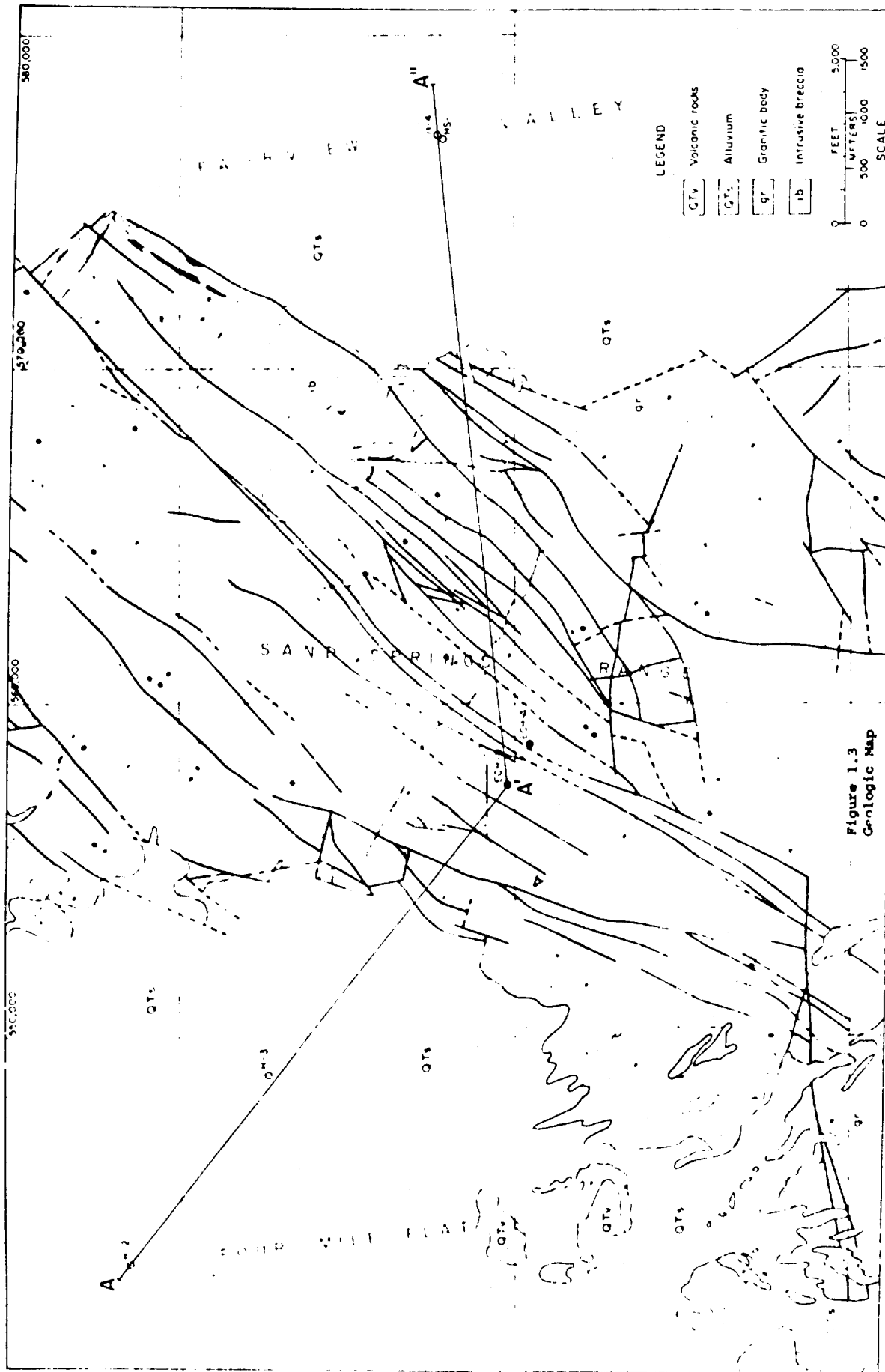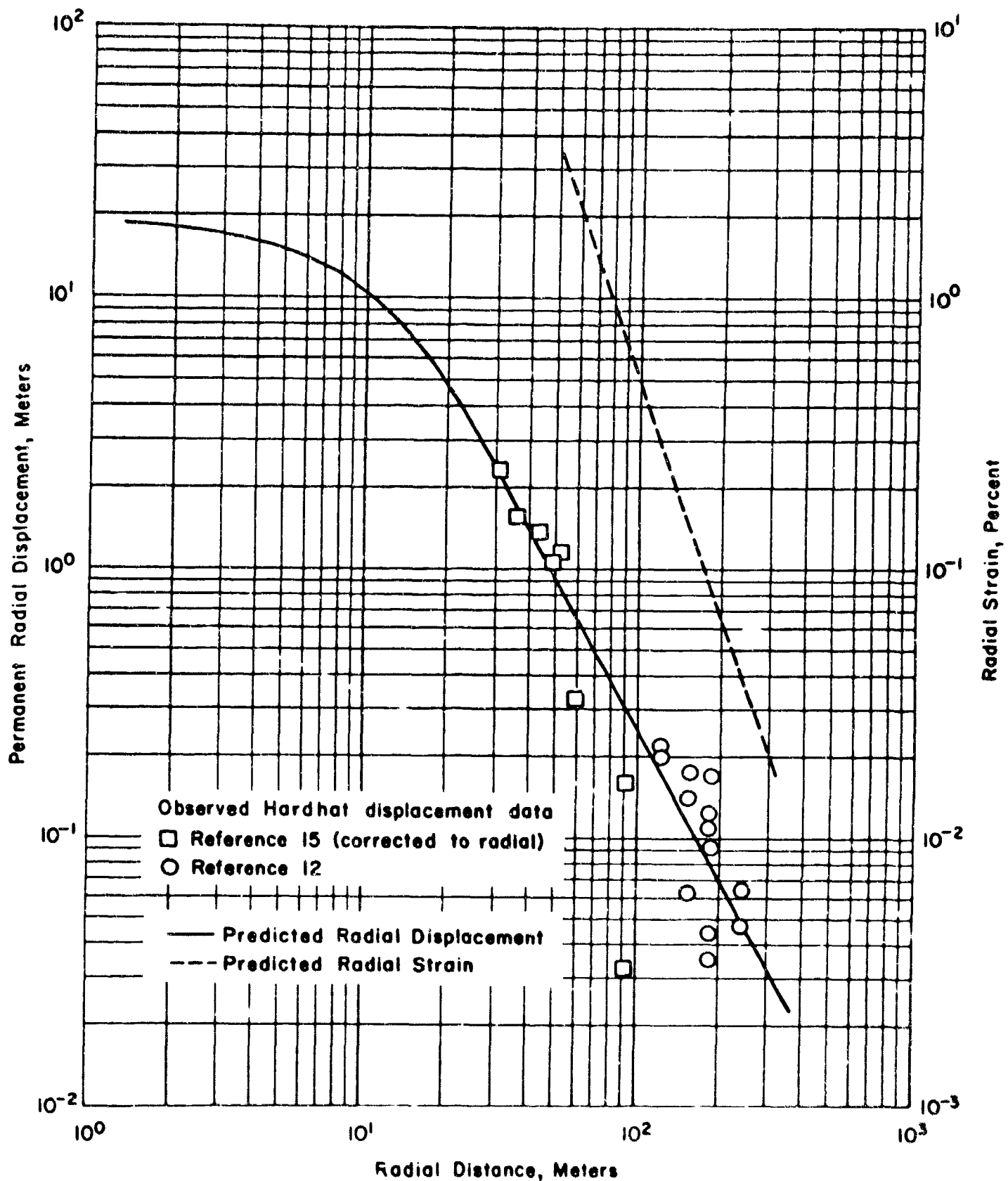|	
QTv	Volcanic rocks
QTs	Alluvium
gr	Granitic body
ib	Intrusive breccia

SCALE

Figure 1.3
Geologic Map

Figure 2.1 Predicted and Observed Permanent Radial
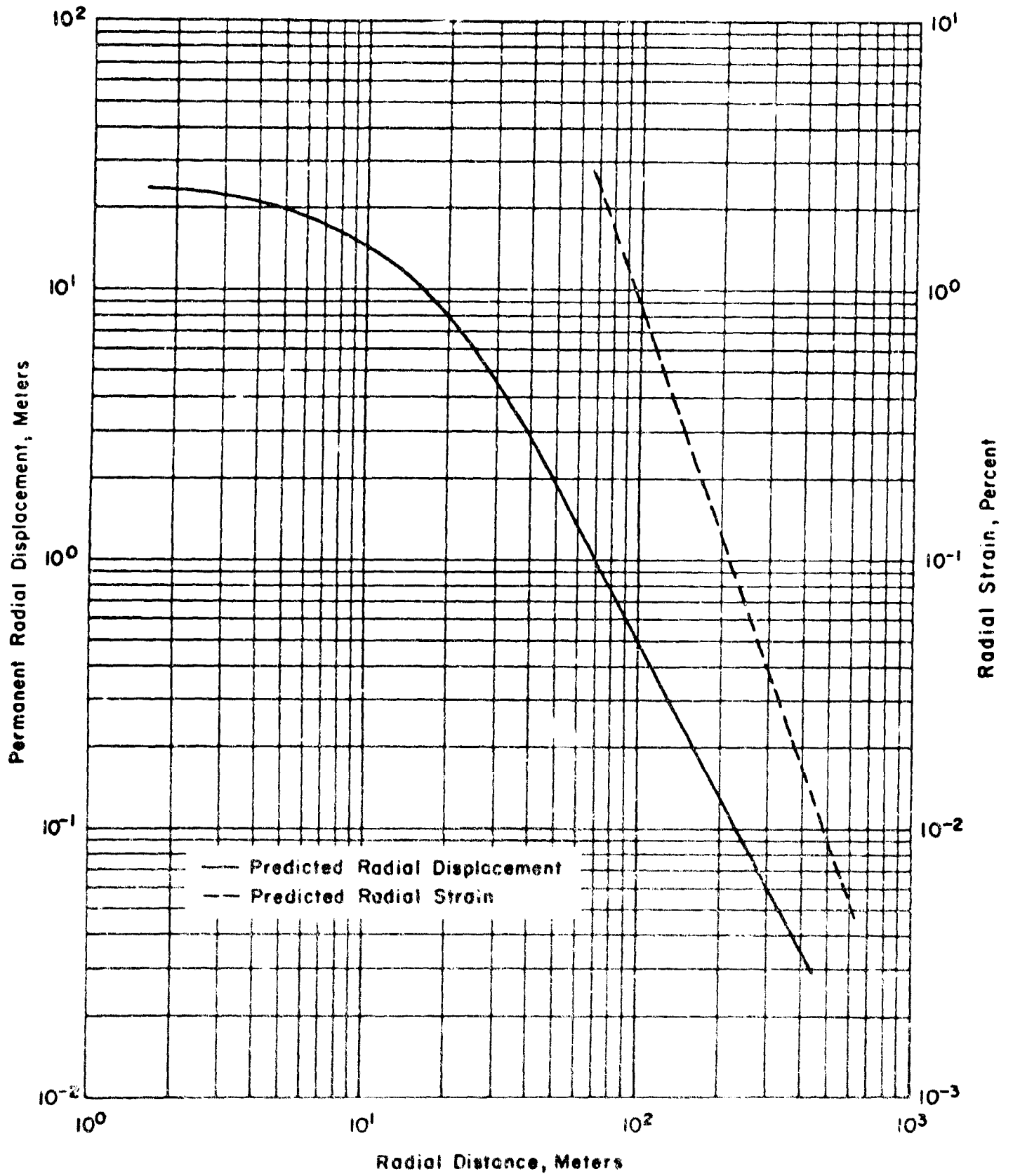Displacement and Predicted Strain for the Hardhat Event

Figure 2.2 Predicted Strain and Permanent
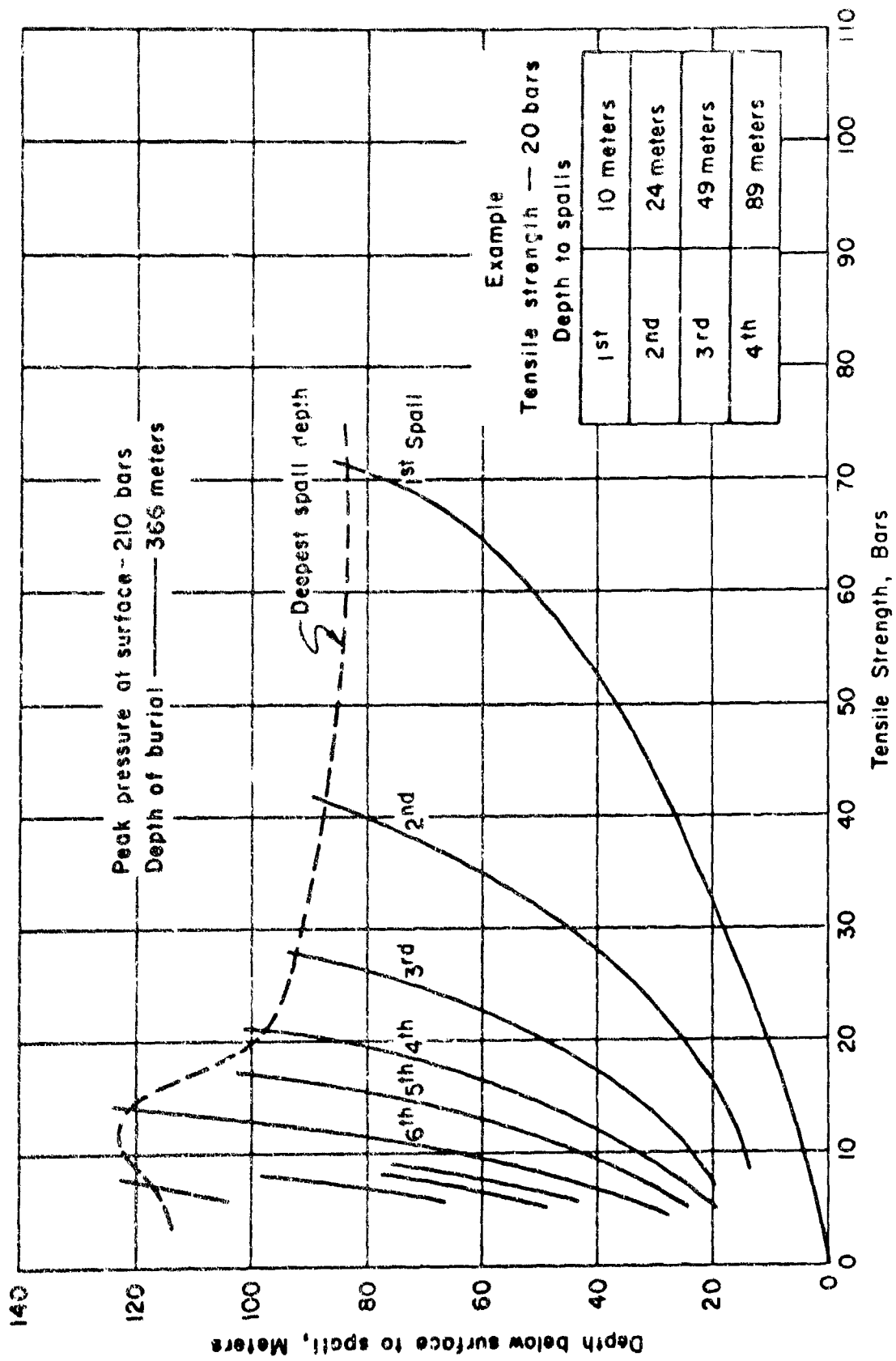Radial Displacement for the Shoal Event

Figure 2.3 Spall Depth as a Function
of Tensile Strength for Shoal Granite
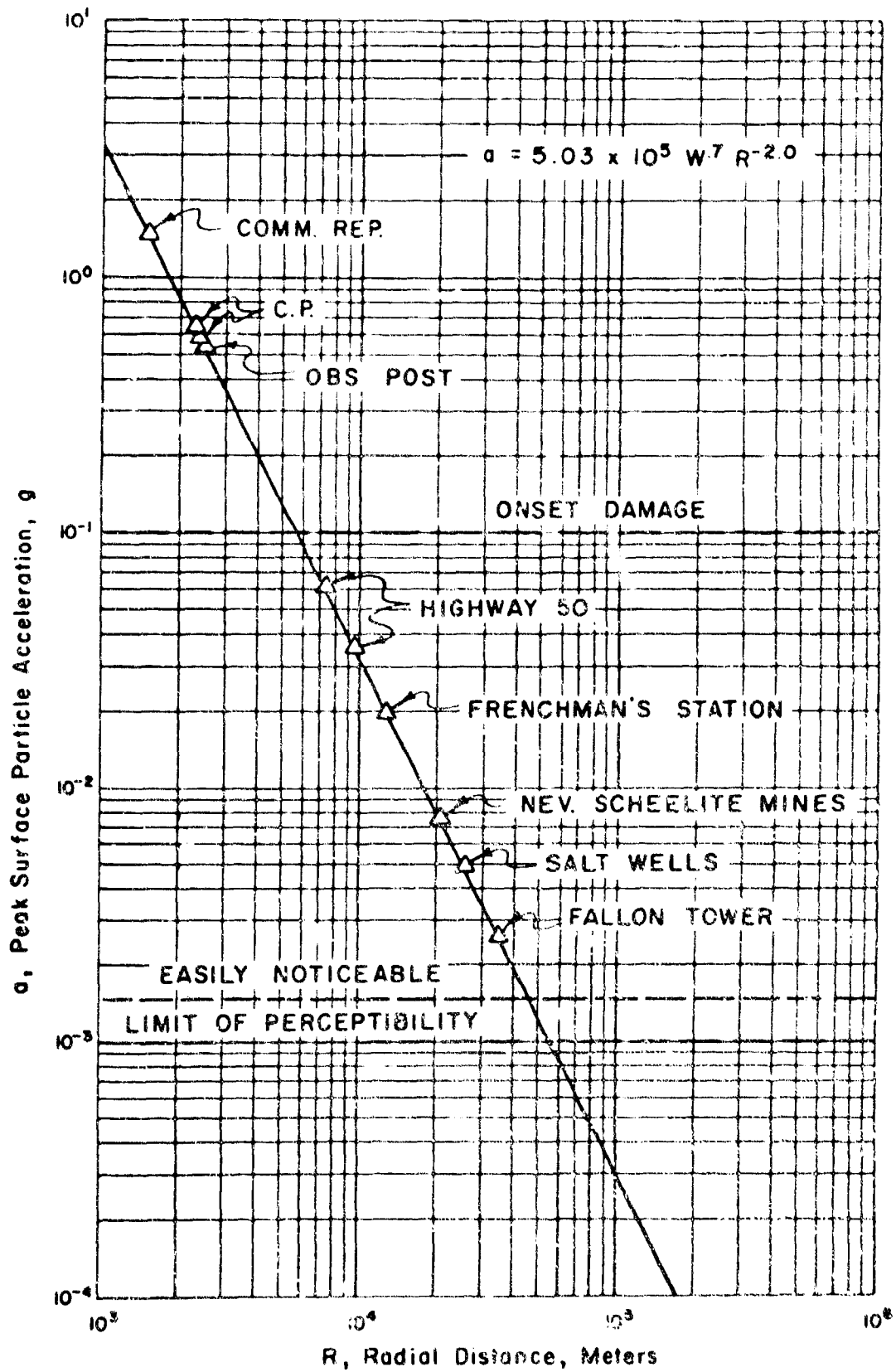
Figure 2.4 Predicted Peak Surface
Particle Acceleration as a Function
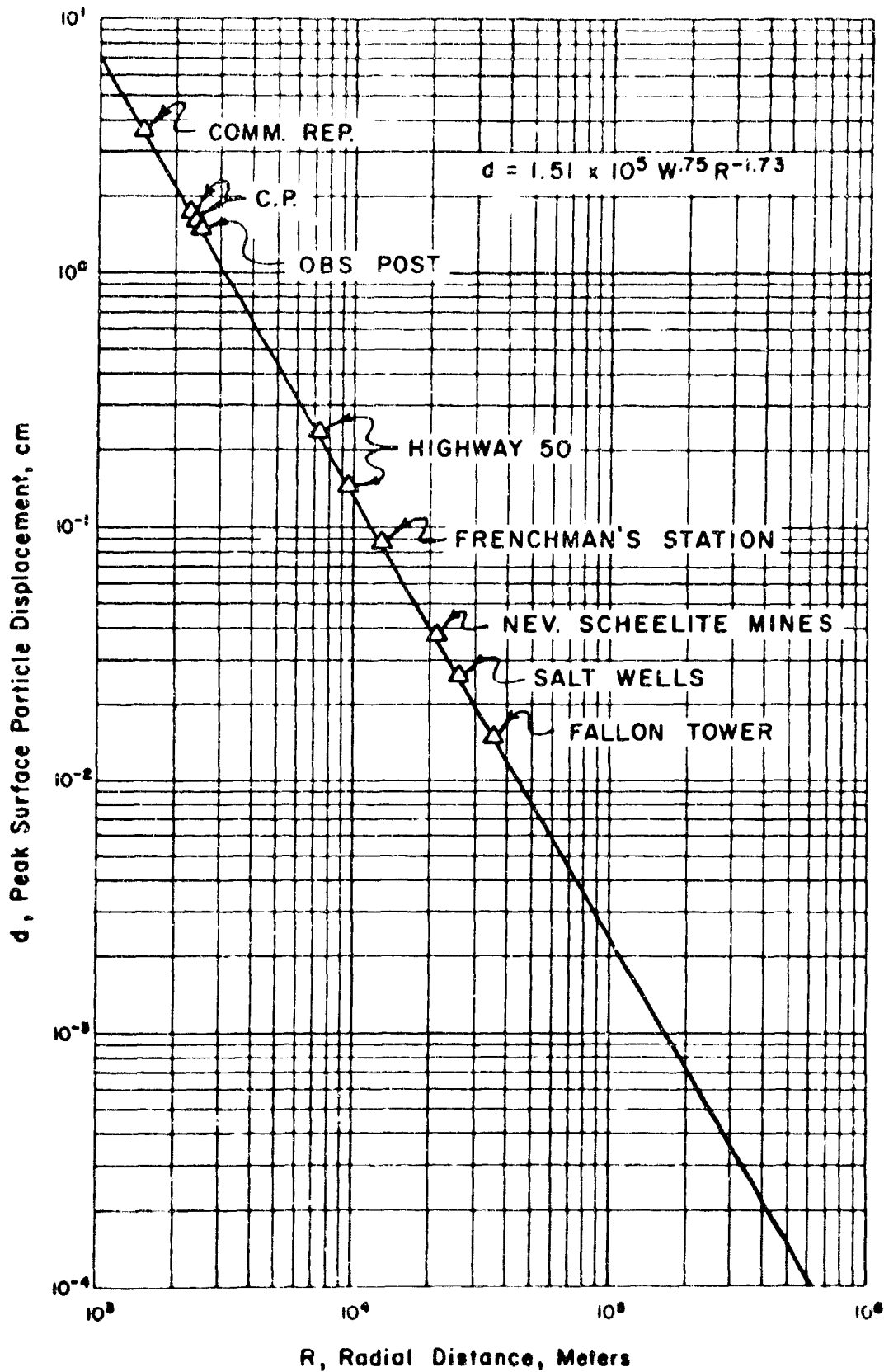of Horizontal Distance, Shoal Event

Figure 2.5 Predicted Peak Surface Particle
Displacement as a Function of Horizontal
Distance, Shoal Event
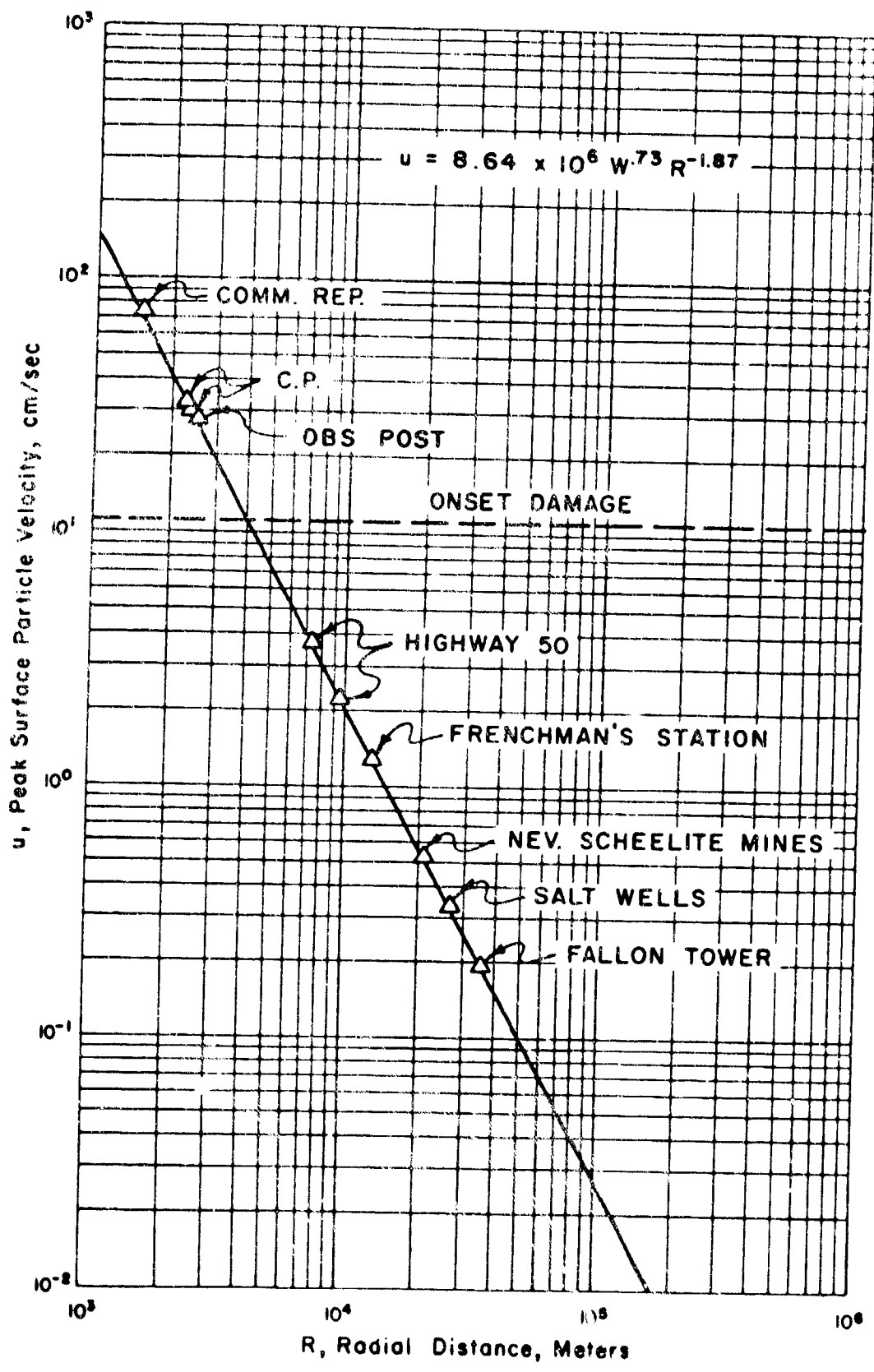
Figure 2.6 Predicted Peak Surface Particle
Velocity as a Function of Horizontal
Distance, Shoal Event
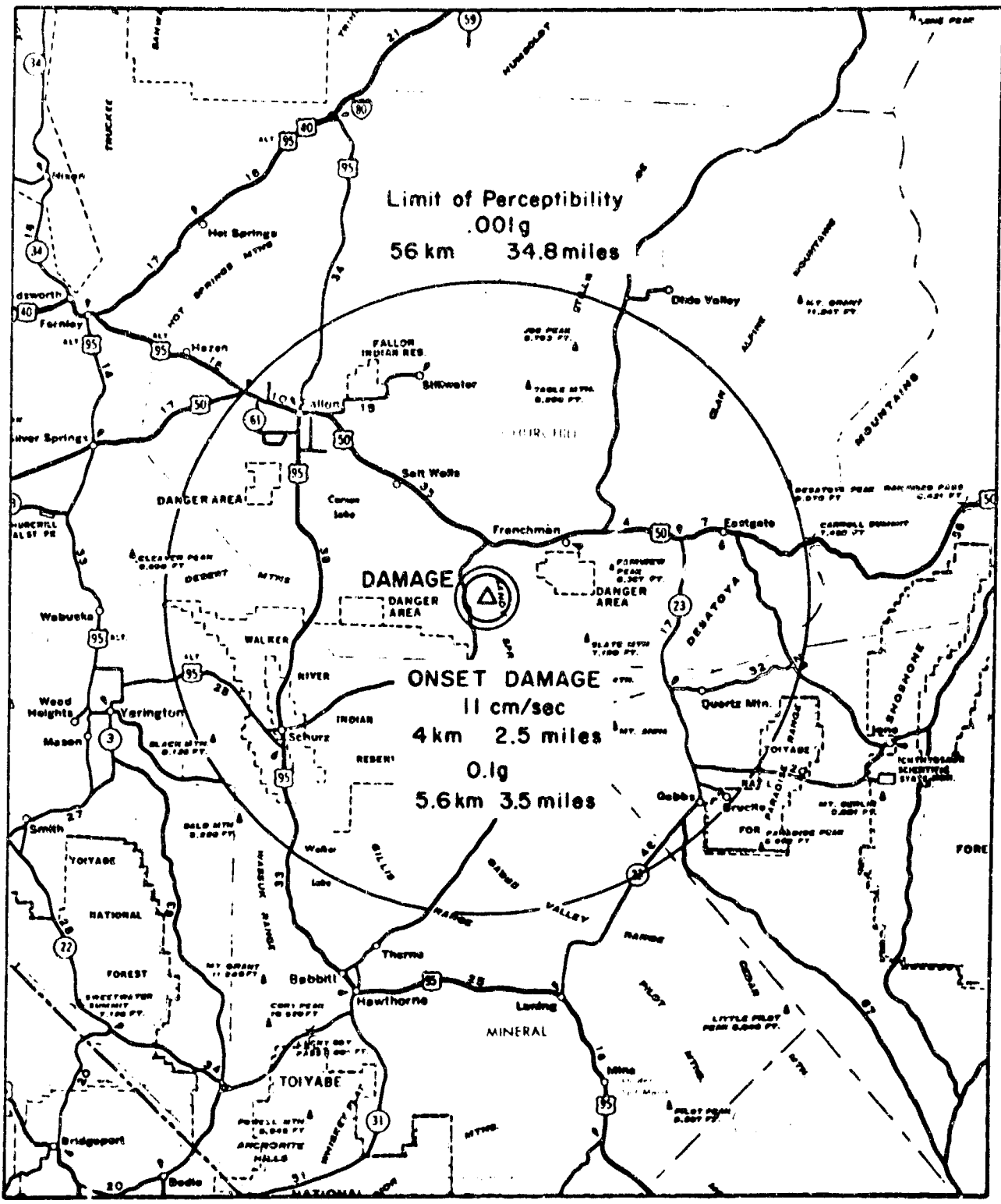
Figure 2.7 Area Map Showing Predicted
Distances to Significant Ground Motions
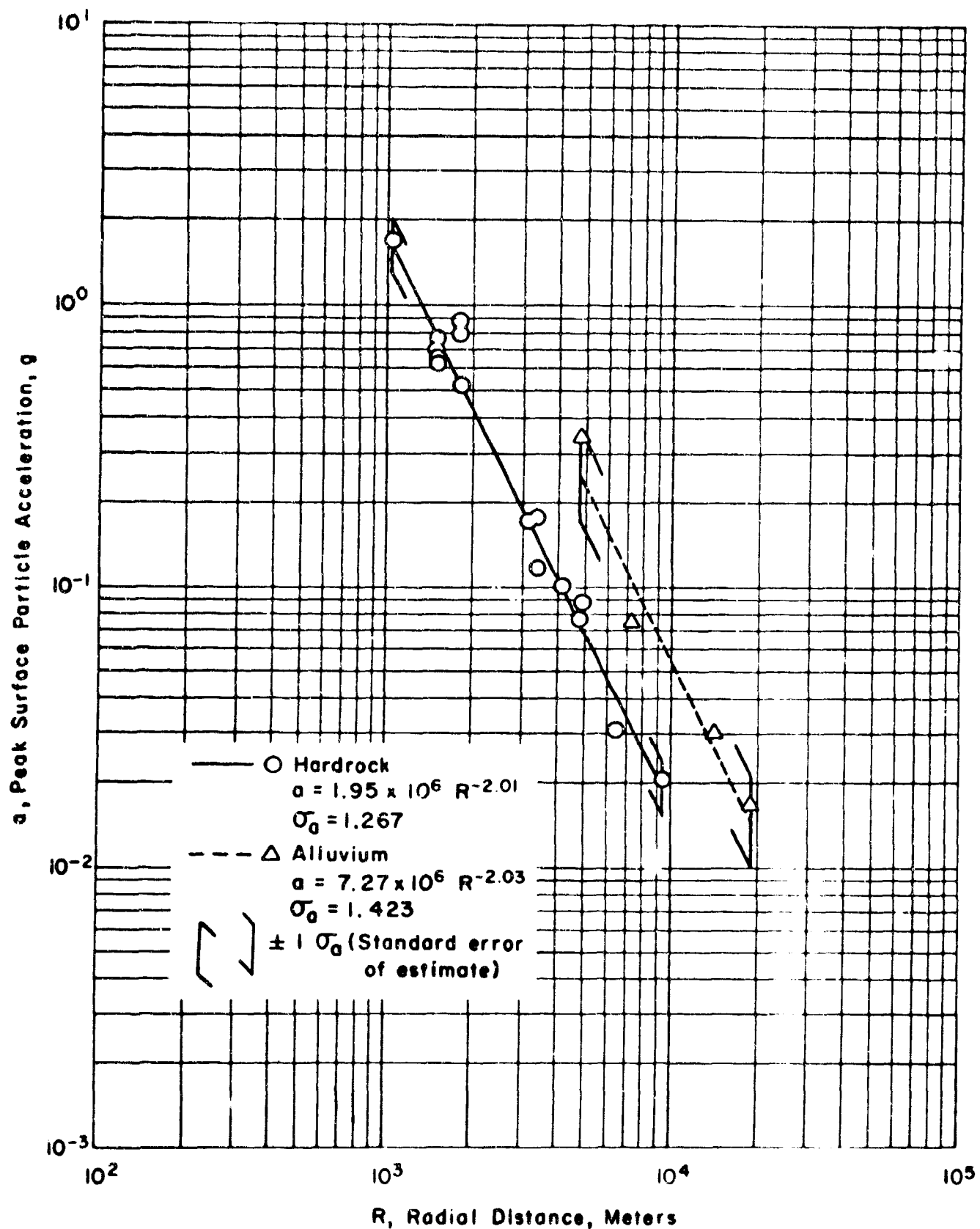
Figure 3.1 Vertical Component of Acceleration

The graph is labeled with axes "a, Peak Surface Particle Acceleration, g" (vertical) and "R, Radial Distance, Meters" (horizontal).

Legend:

O Hardrock
$a = 1.95 \times 10^6 \; R^{-2.01}$
$\sigma_a = 1.267$

△ Alluvium
$a = 7.27 \times 10^6 \; R^{-2.03}$
$\sigma_a = 1.423$

$\pm 1 \; \sigma_a$ (Standard error of estimate)
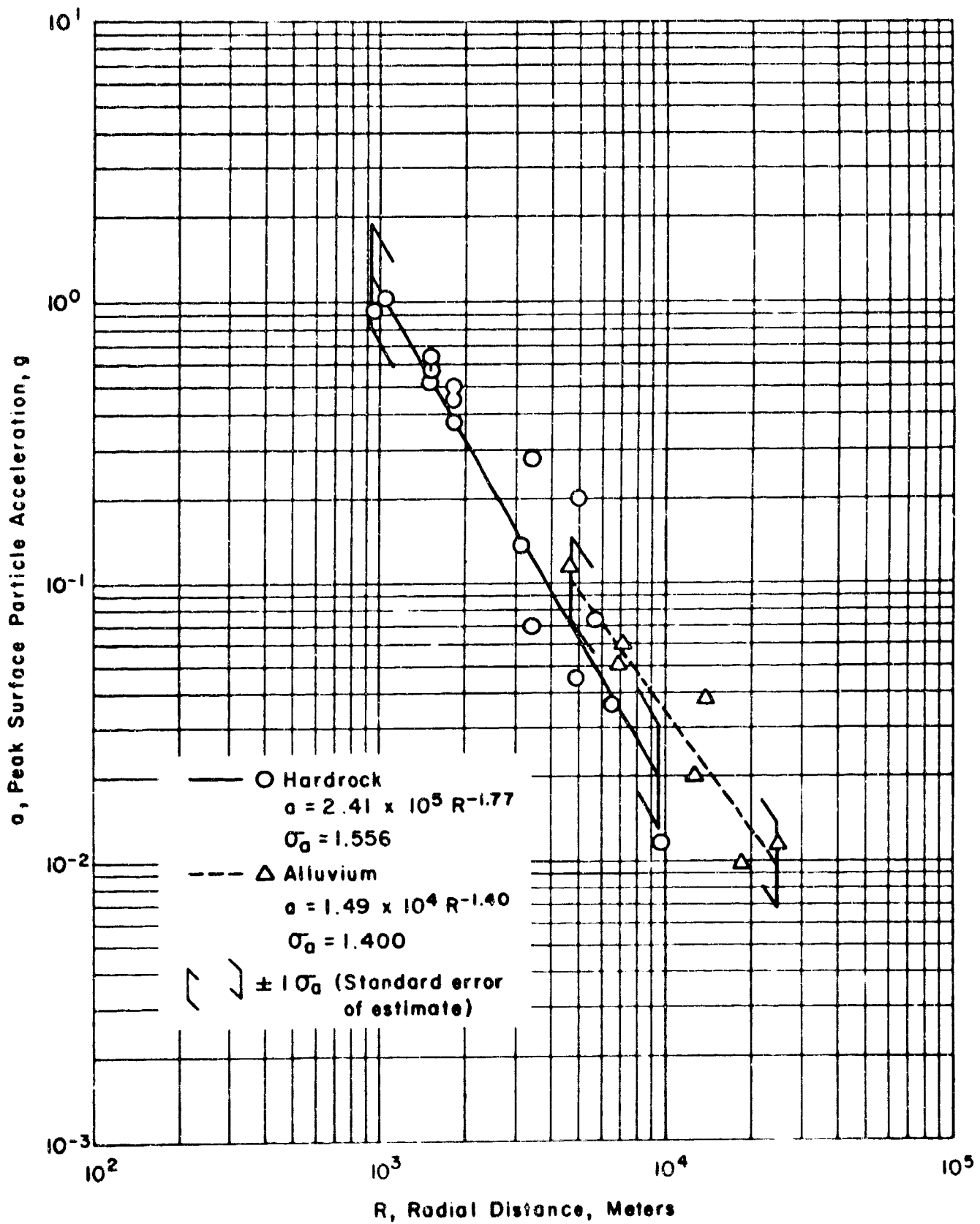
Figure 3.2 Radial Component of Acceleration
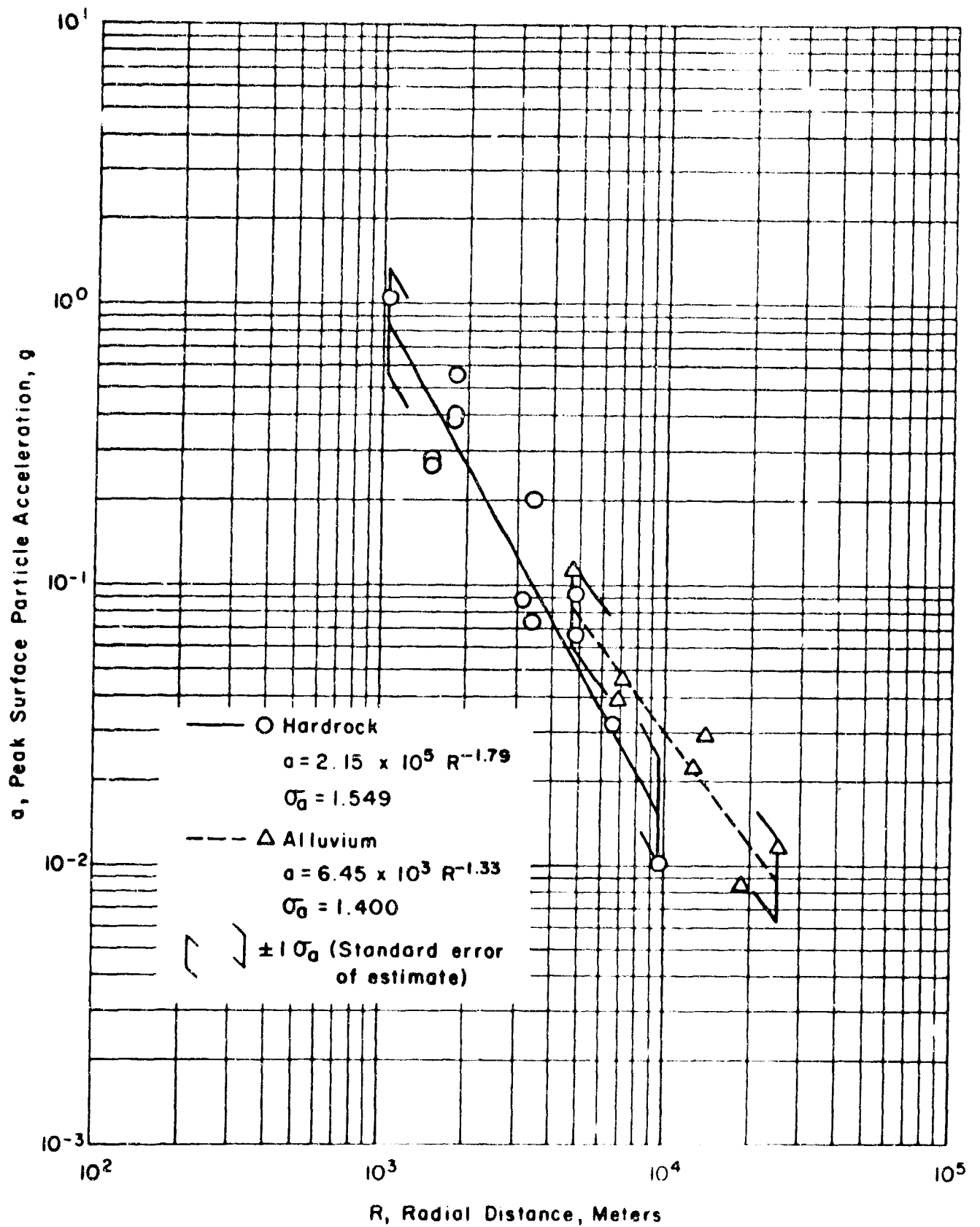
Figure 3.3 Transverse Component of Acceleration

The figure is a log-log plot of a, Peak Surface Particle Acceleration, g (vertical axis, from 10^{-3} to 10^1) versus R, Radial Distance, Meters (horizontal axis, from 10^2 to 10^5).

Legend:

—— O Hardrock

$a = 2.15 \times 10^5 \, R^{-1.79}$

$\sigma_a = 1.549$

– – – △ Alluvium

$a = 6.45 \times 10^3 \, R^{-1.33}$

$\sigma_a = 1.400$

$\}$ $\pm 1\sigma_a$ (Standard error of estimate)
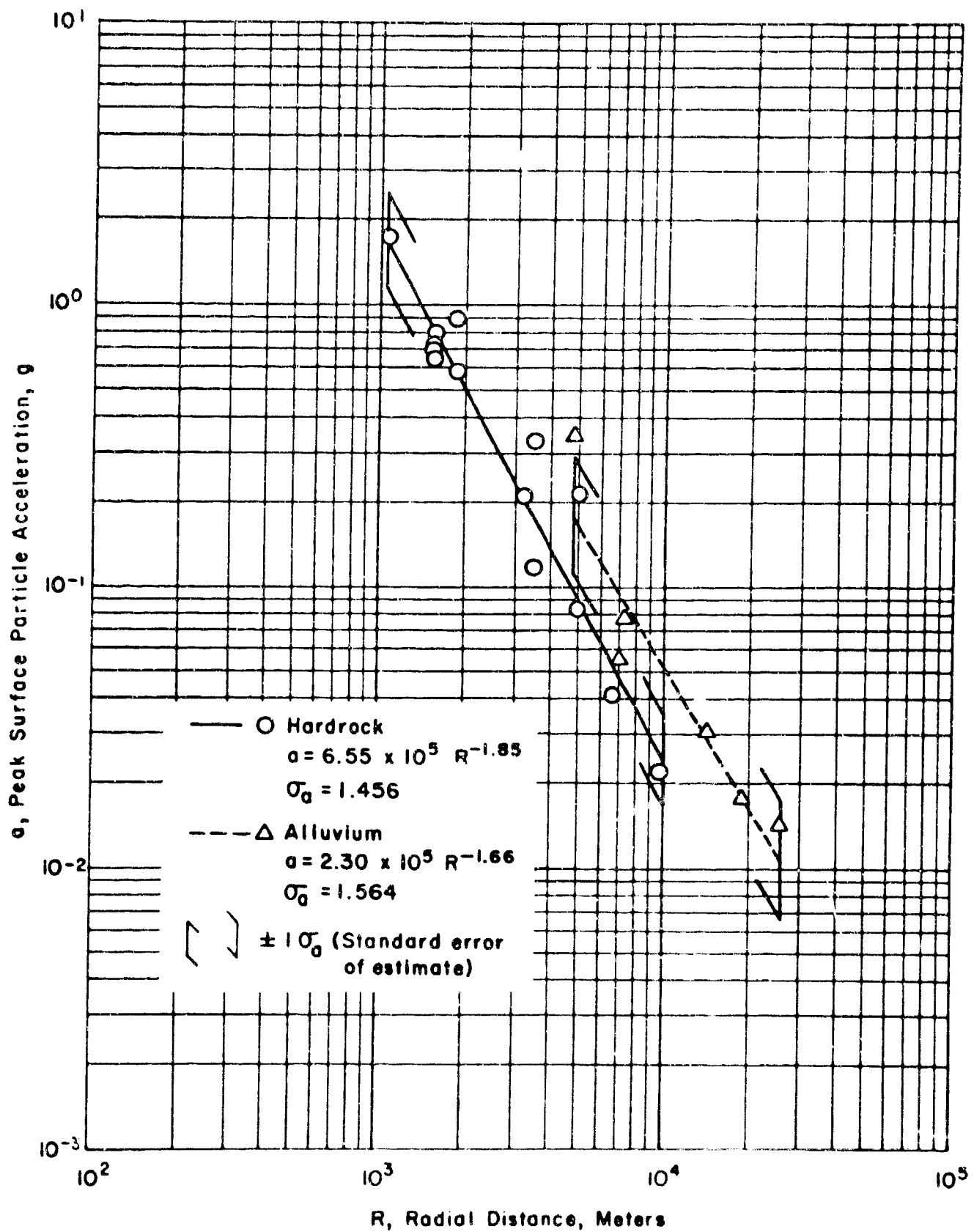
Figure 3.4 Resultant Vector of Acceleration

The figure is a log-log plot with axes:
- Vertical axis: a, Peak Surface Particle Acceleration, g (from 10^{-3} to 10^1)
- Horizontal axis: R, Radial Distance, Meters (from 10^2 to 10^5)

Legend:

— ○ Hardrock
$$a = 6.55 \times 10^5 \ R^{-1.85}$$
$$\sigma_a = 1.456$$

- - - △ Alluvium
$$a = 2.30 \times 10^5 \ R^{-1.66}$$
$$\sigma_a = 1.564$$

$\lceil \ \rceil \quad \pm 1 \sigma_a$ (Standard error of estimate)
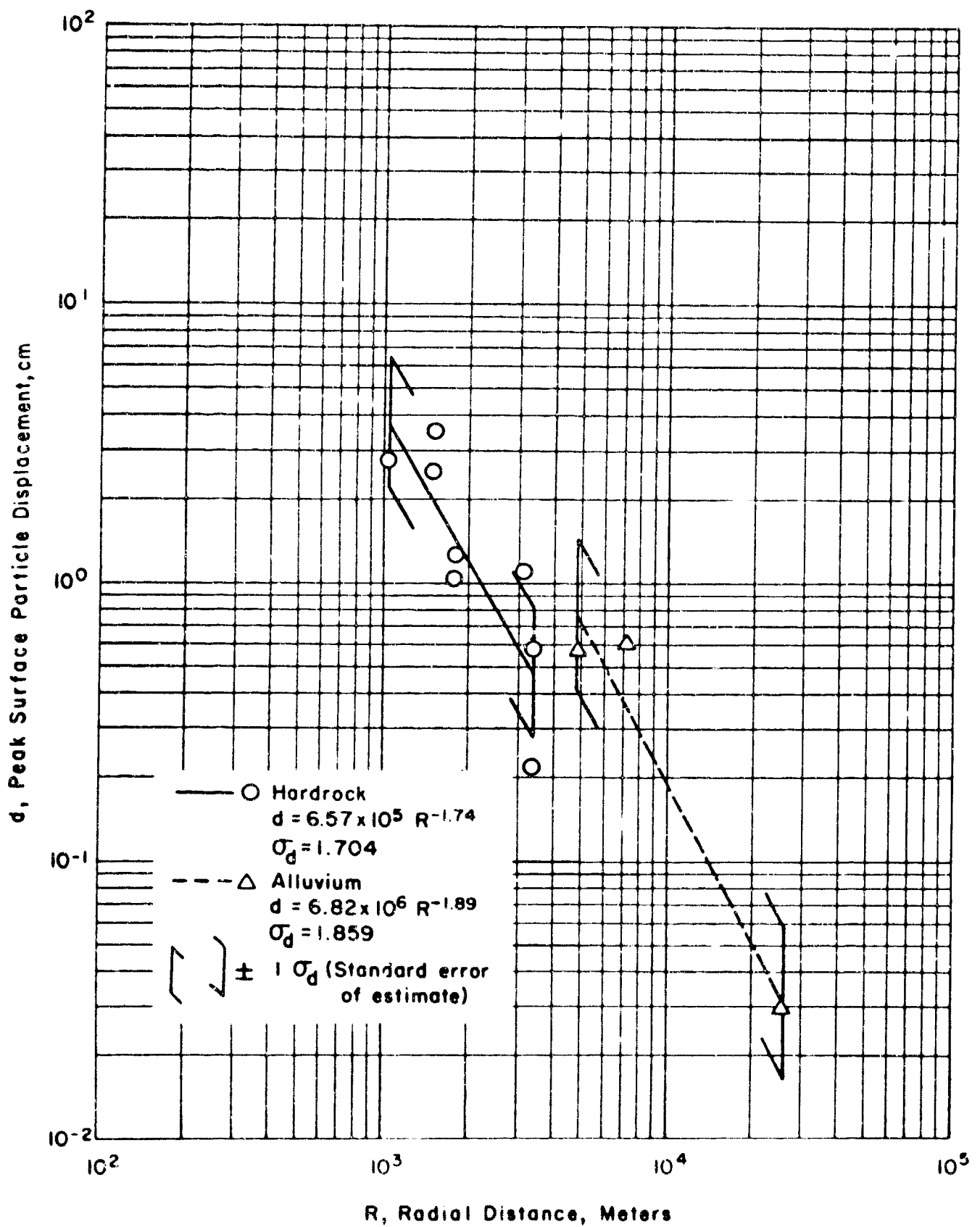
Figure 3.5 Vertical Component of Displacement

The chart contains the following legend text:

○ Hardrock
$d = 6.57 \times 10^5\ R^{-1.74}$
$\sigma_d = 1.704$

△ Alluvium
$d = 6.82 \times 10^6\ R^{-1.89}$
$\sigma_d = 1.859$

$\pm\ 1\ \sigma_d$ (Standard error of estimate)

Y-axis: d, Peak Surface Particle Displacement, cm

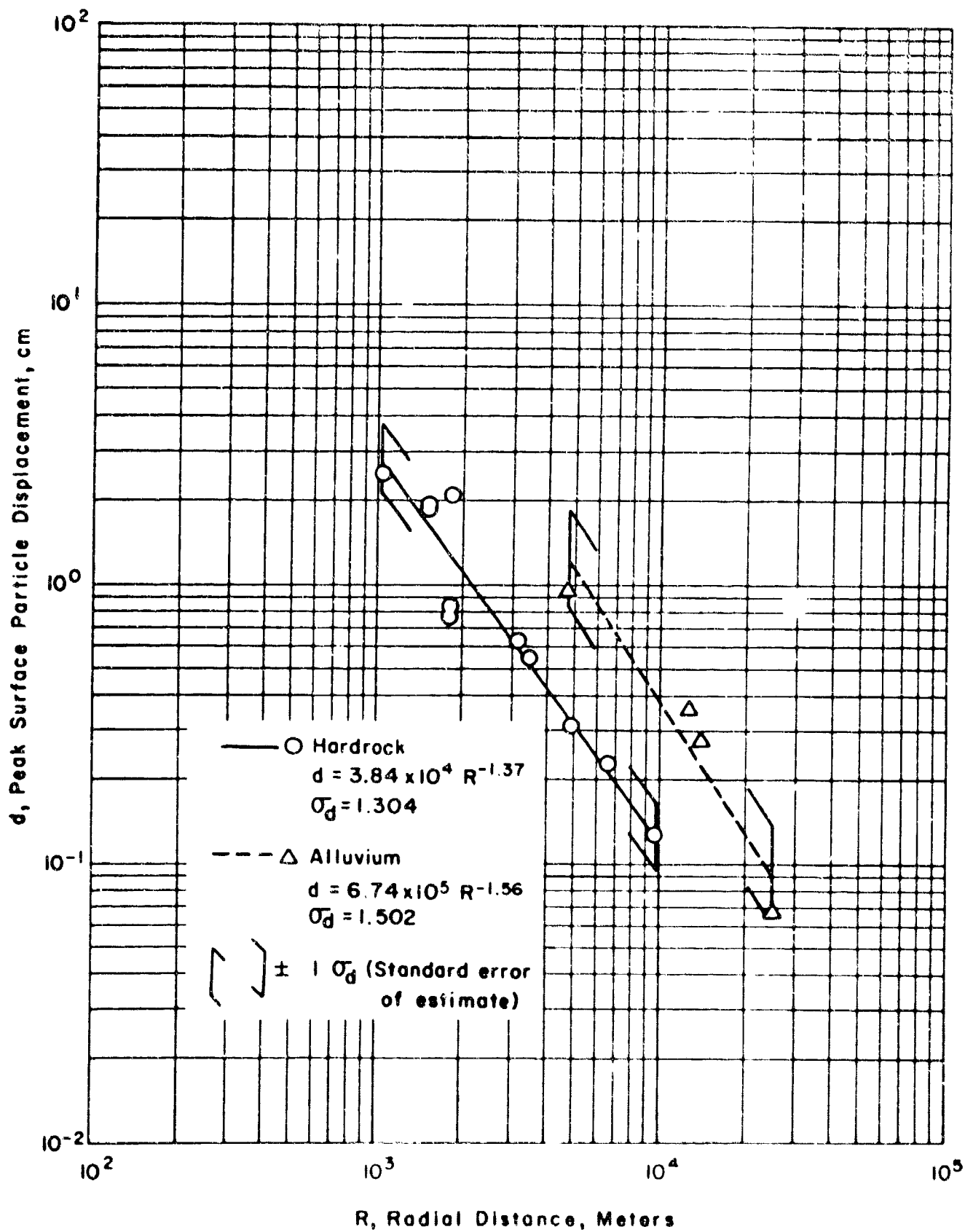X-axis: R, Radial Distance, Meters

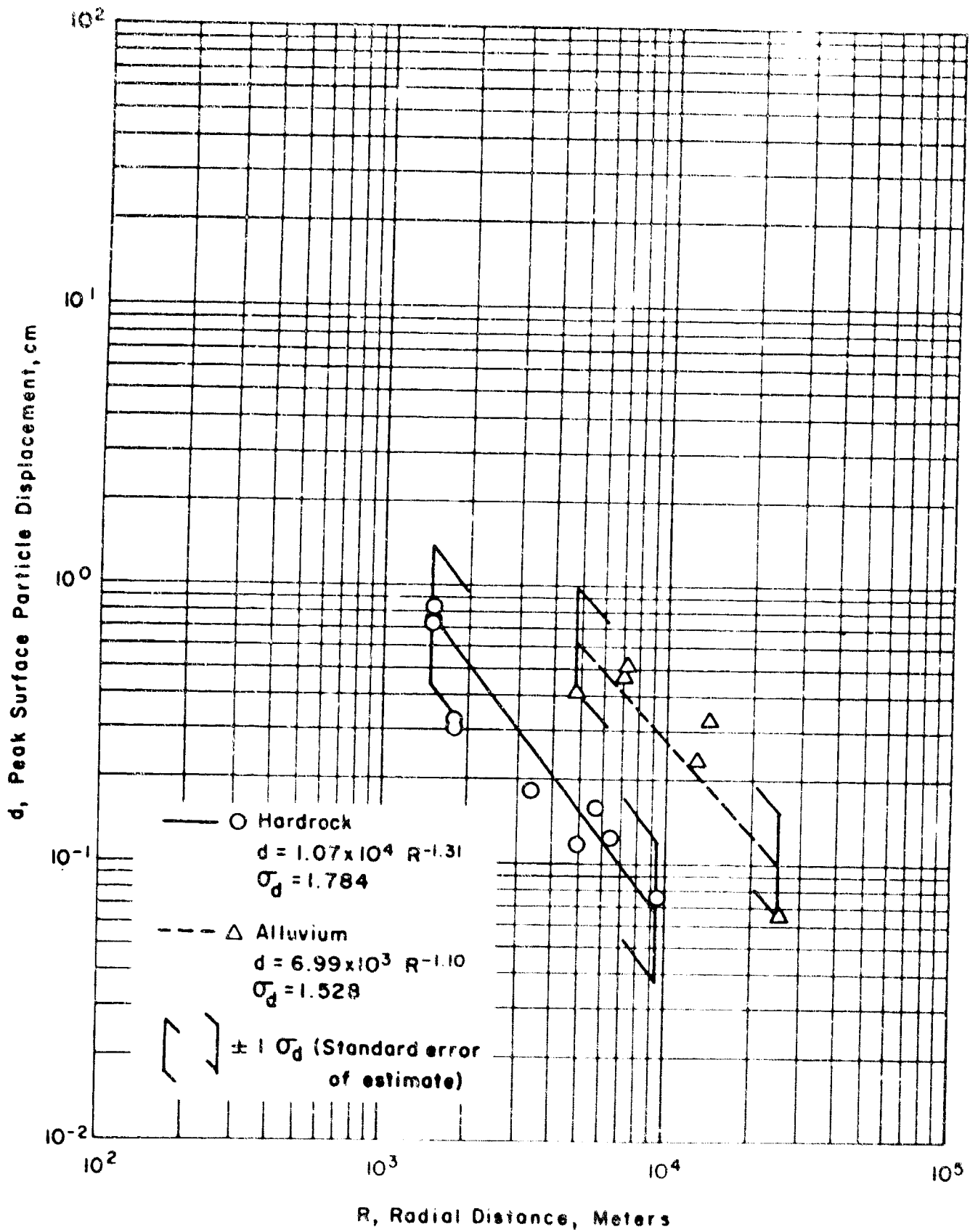Figure 3.6 Radial Component of Displacement

Figure 3.7 Transverse Component of Displacement
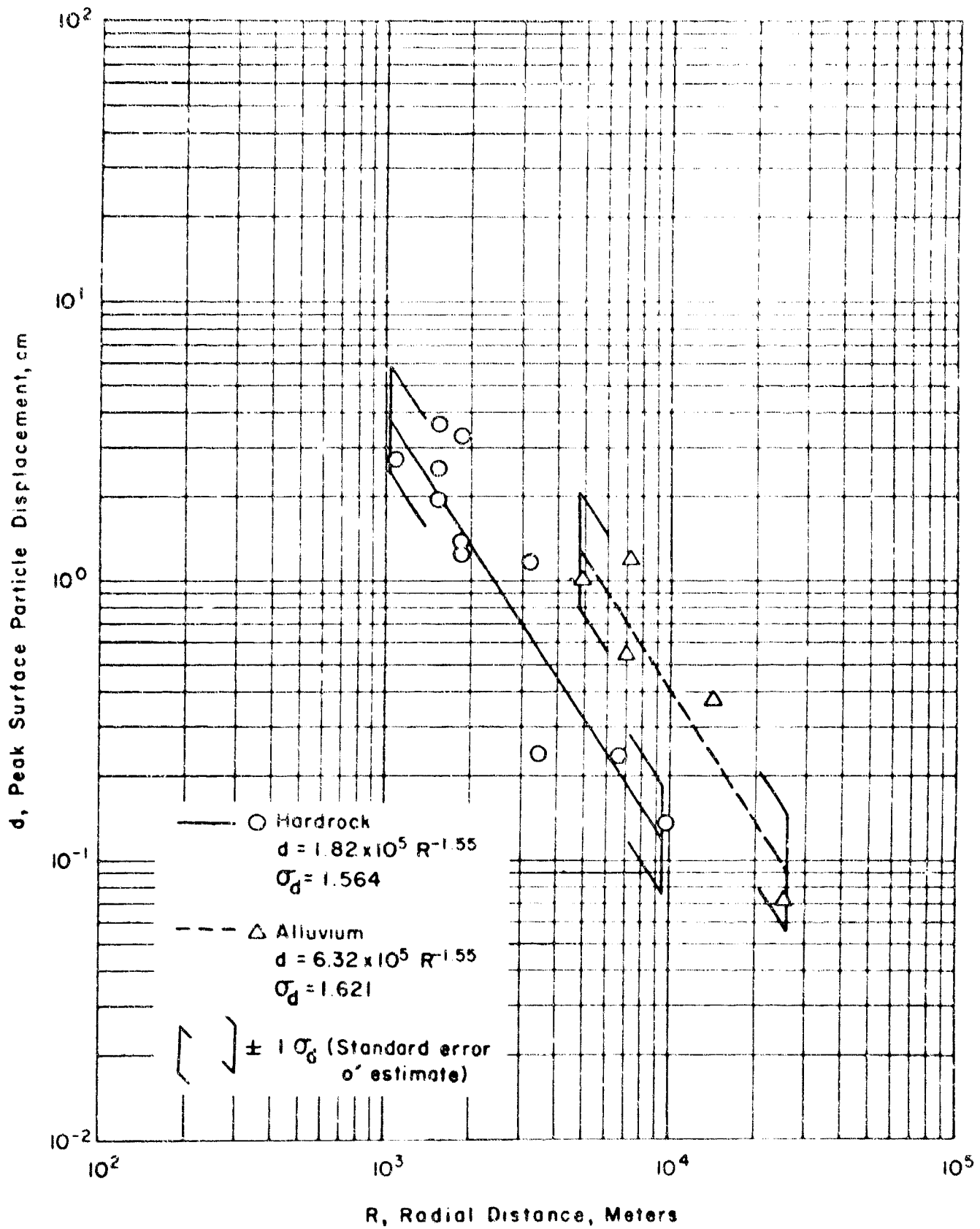
Figure 3.8 Resultant Vector of Displacement
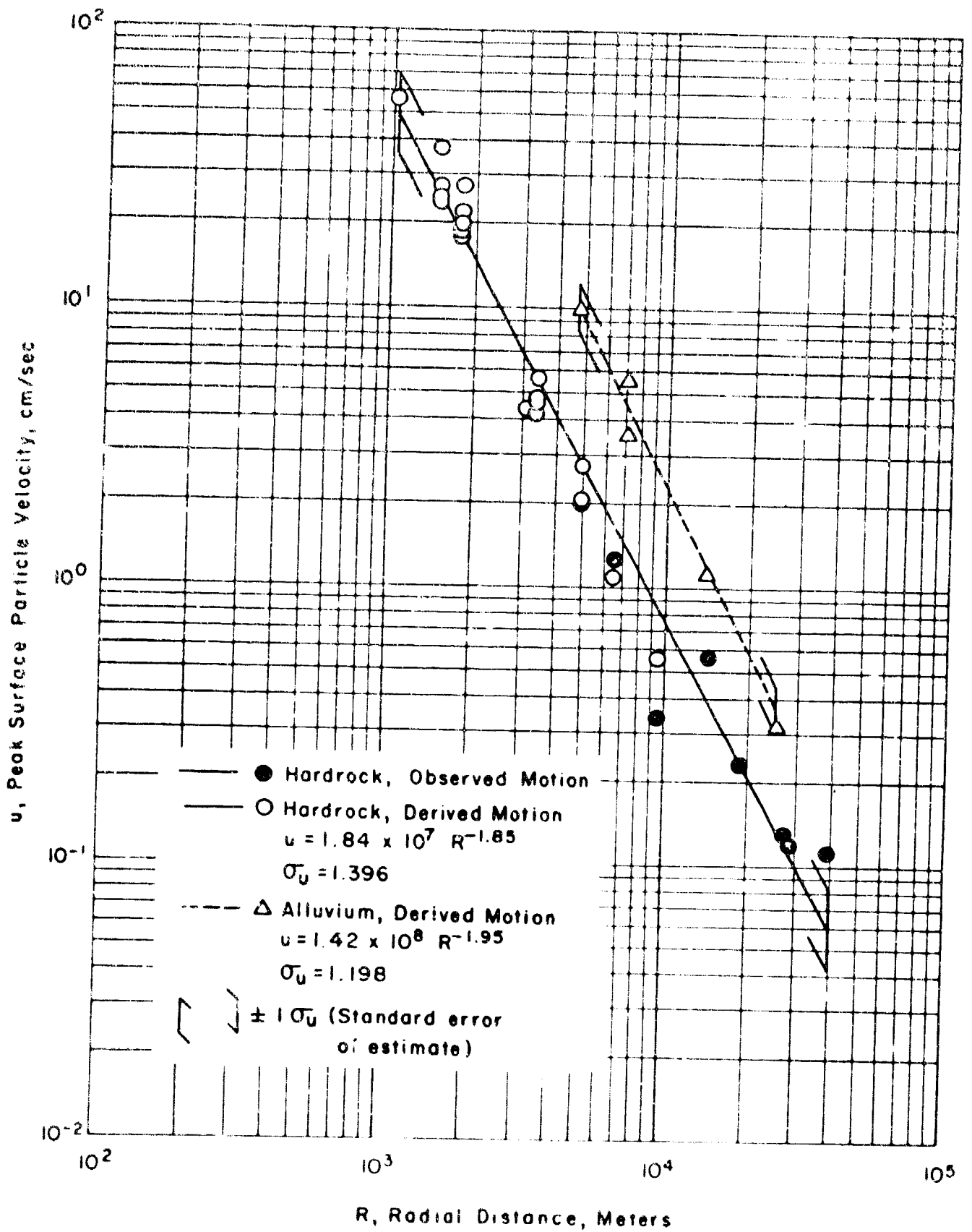
Figure 3.9 Vertical Component of Velocity

The y-axis is labeled "u, Peak Surface Particle Velocity, cm/sec" with values from 10^{-2} to 10^2.

The x-axis is labeled "R, Radial Distance, Meters" with values from 10^2 to 10^5.

Legend:
- ● Hardrock, Observed Motion
- ○ Hardrock, Derived Motion
  $u = 1.84 \times 10^7 R^{-1.85}$
  $\sigma_u = 1.396$
- △ Alluvium, Derived Motion
  $u = 1.42 \times 10^8 R^{-1.95}$
  $\sigma_u = 1.198$
- $\pm 1 \sigma_u$ (Standard error of estimate)

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Figure 3.10 Radial Component of Velocity

Figure 3.11 Transverse Component of
Velocity

The figure contains the following annotations:

10^2

10^1

10^0

10^{-1}

10^{-2}

u, Peak Surface Particle Velocity, cm/sec

● Hardrock, Observed Motion

○ Hardrock, Derived Motion

$u = 3.38 \times 10^6 \, R^{-1.71}$

$\sigma_u = 1.478$

△ Alluvium, Derived Motion

$u = 6.21 \times 10^4 \, R^{-1.11}$

$\sigma_u = 1.143$

$\pm 1 \, \sigma_u$ (Standard error of estimate)

10^2 10^3 10^4 10^5

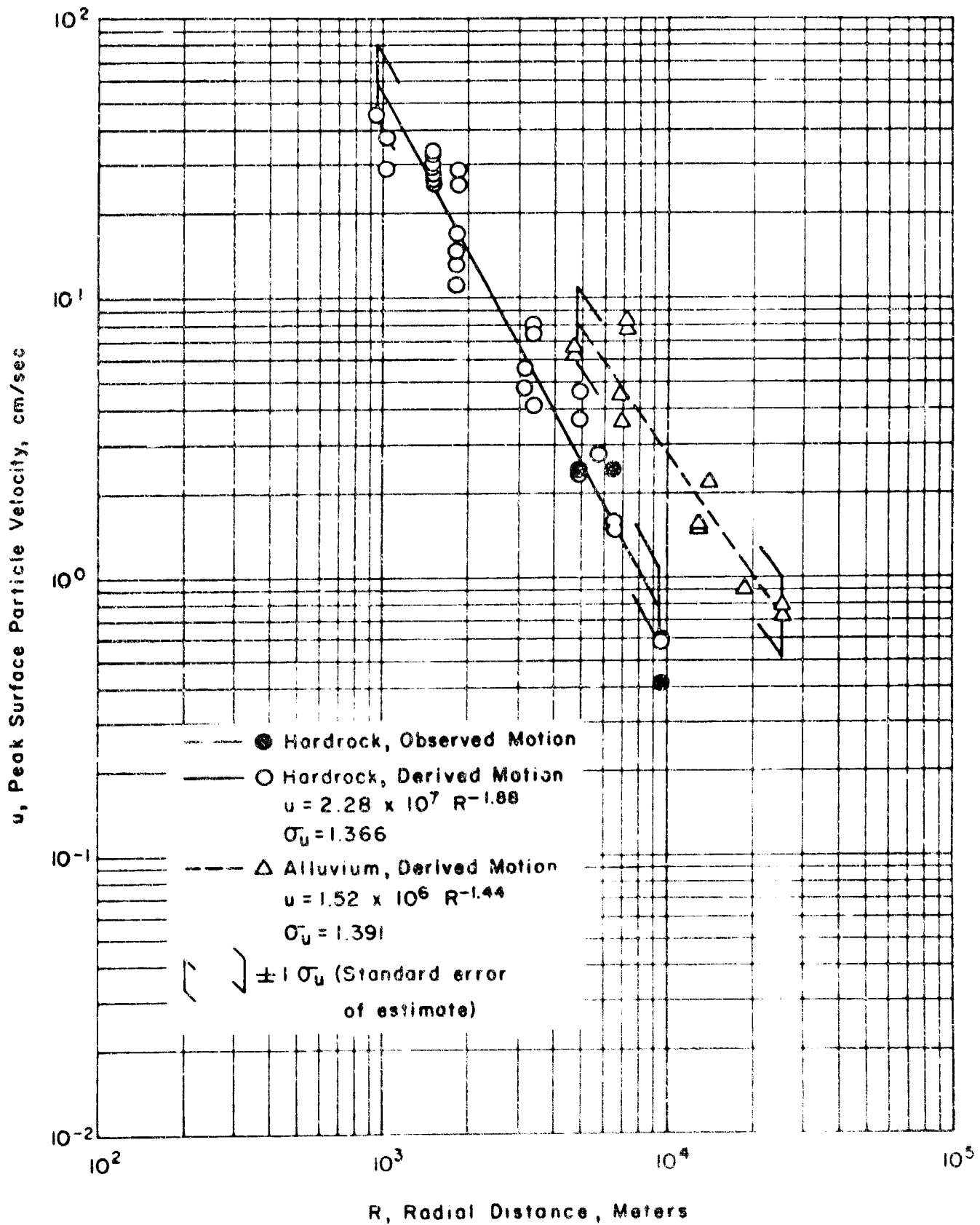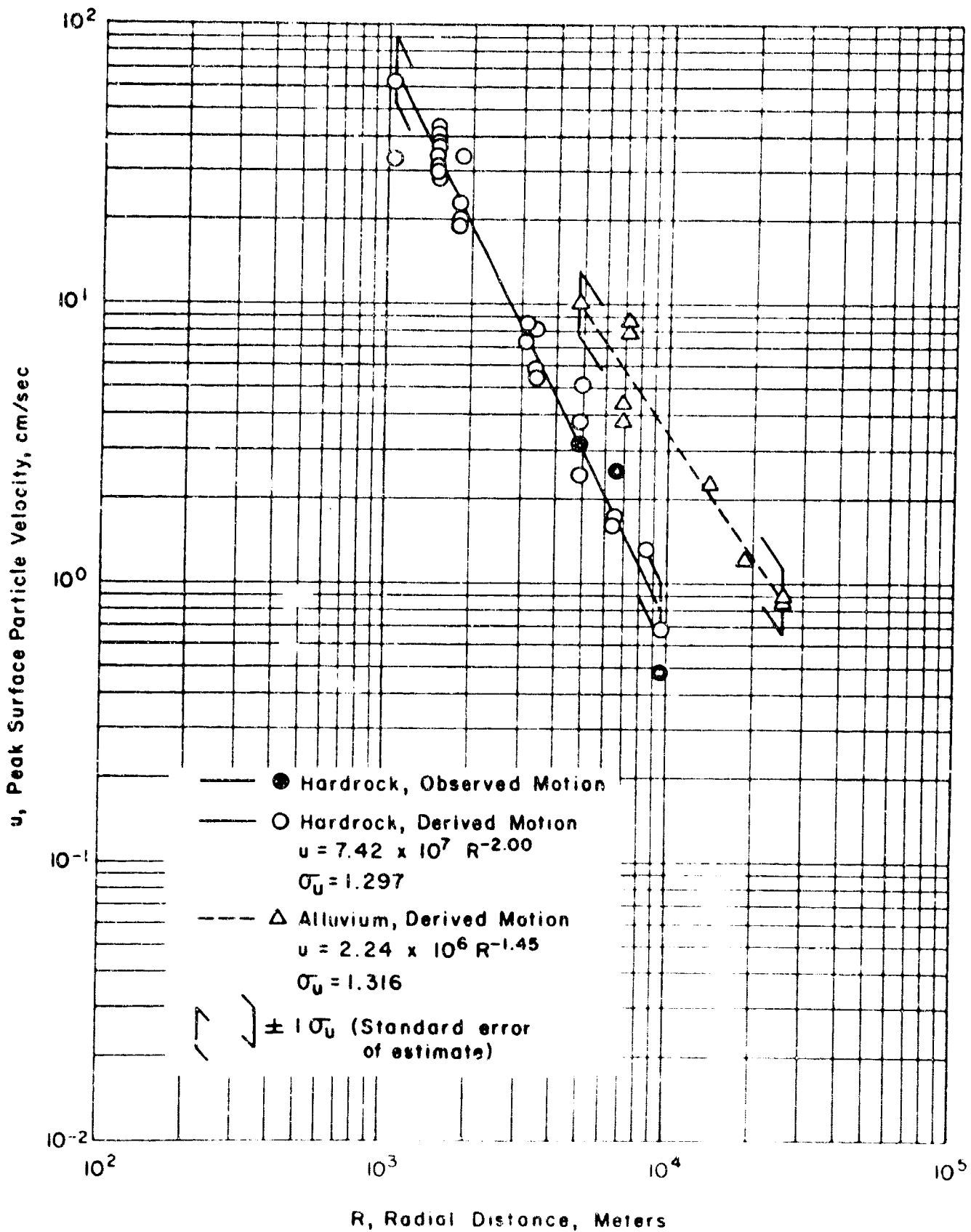R, Radial Distance, Meters

Figure 3.12 Resultant Vector of Velocity

Figure 3.13 Comparison of Resultant Vector of Acceleration
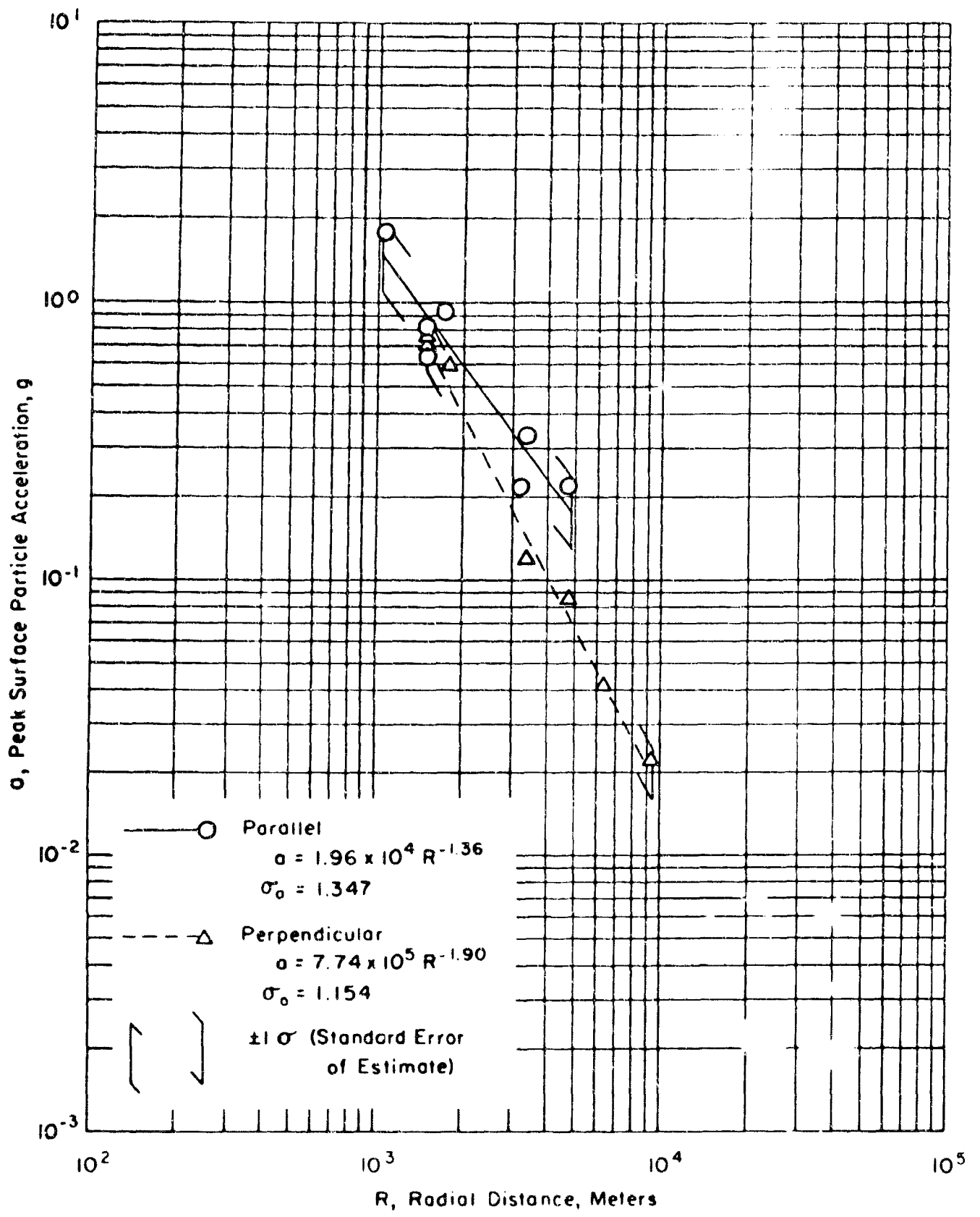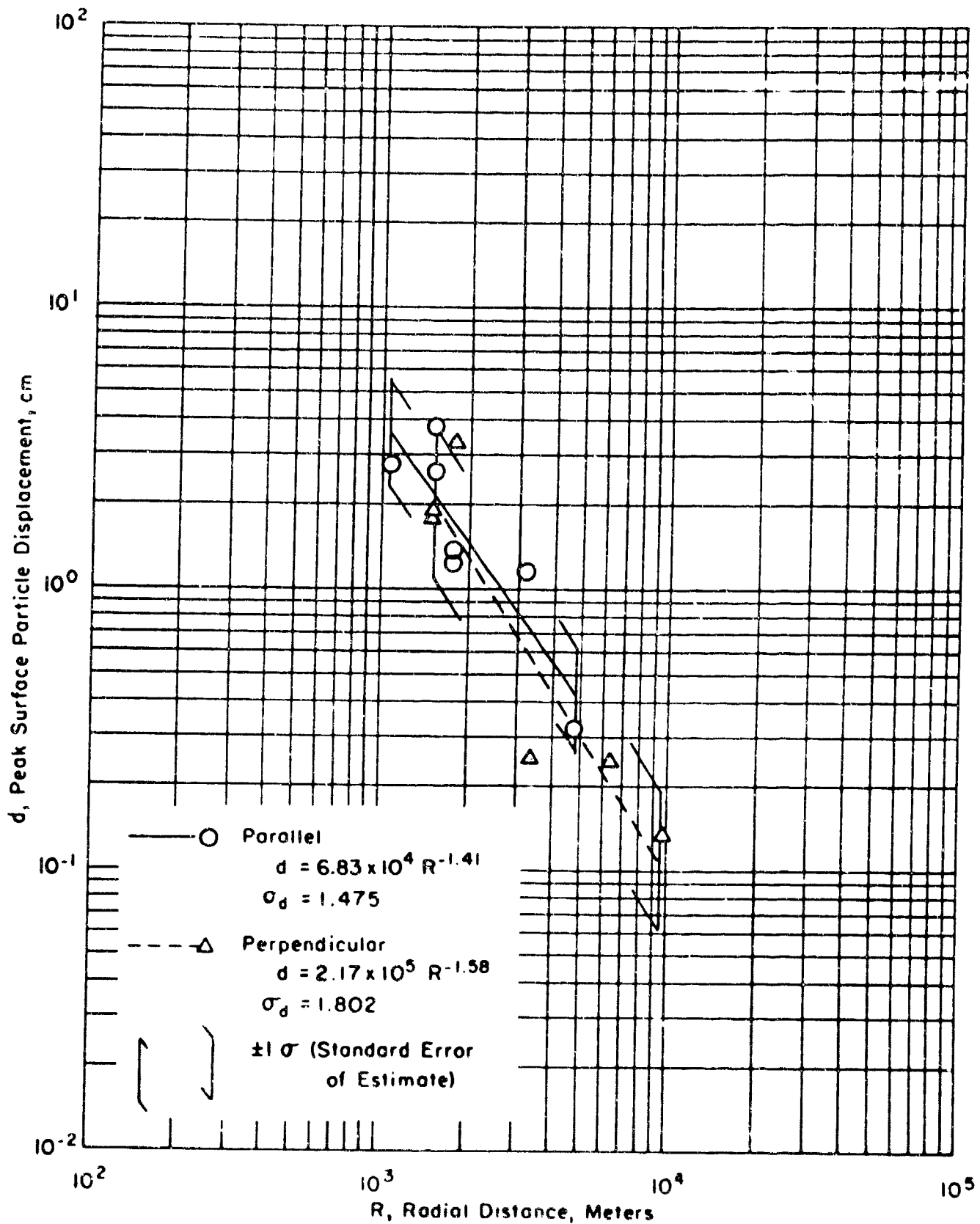Measured Parallel and Perpendicular to Major Fault Trend

Figure 3.14 Comparison of Resultant Vector of Displacement
Measured Parallel and Perpendicular to Major Fault Trend
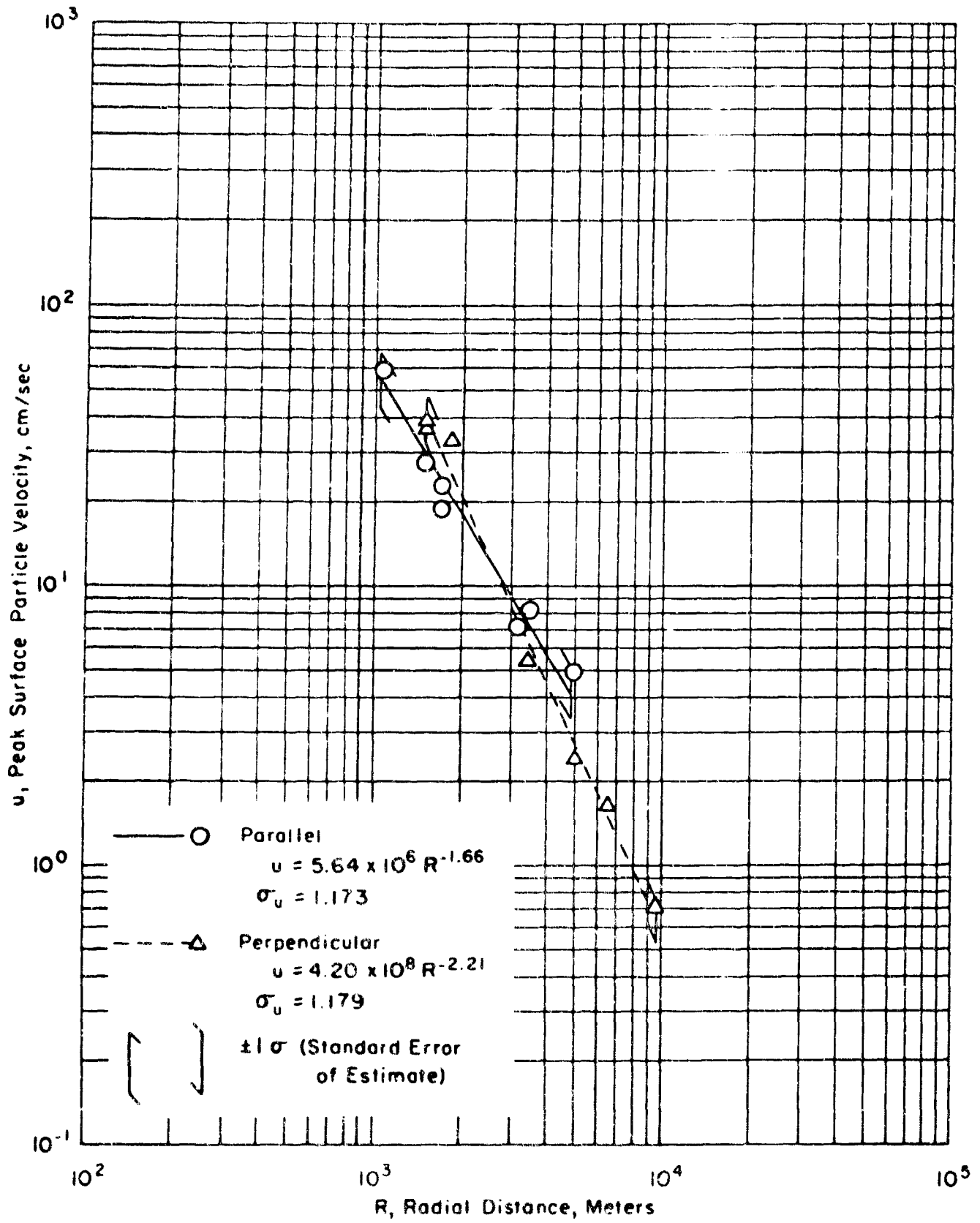
Figure 3.15 Comparison of Resultant Vector of Velocity
Measured Parallel and Perpendicular
to Major Fault Trend
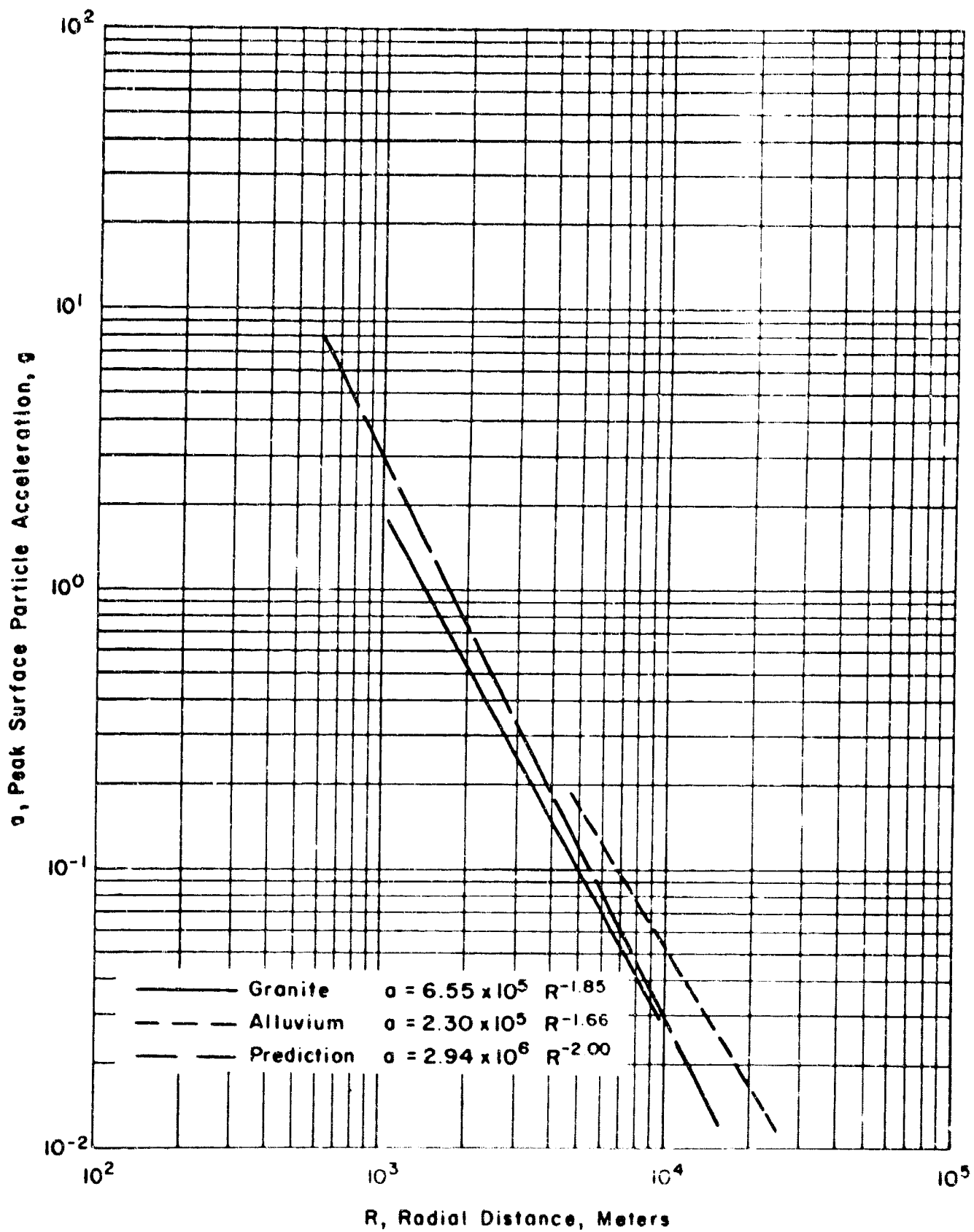
Figure 3.16 Comparison of Predicted and Observed
Resultant Vector of Acceleration
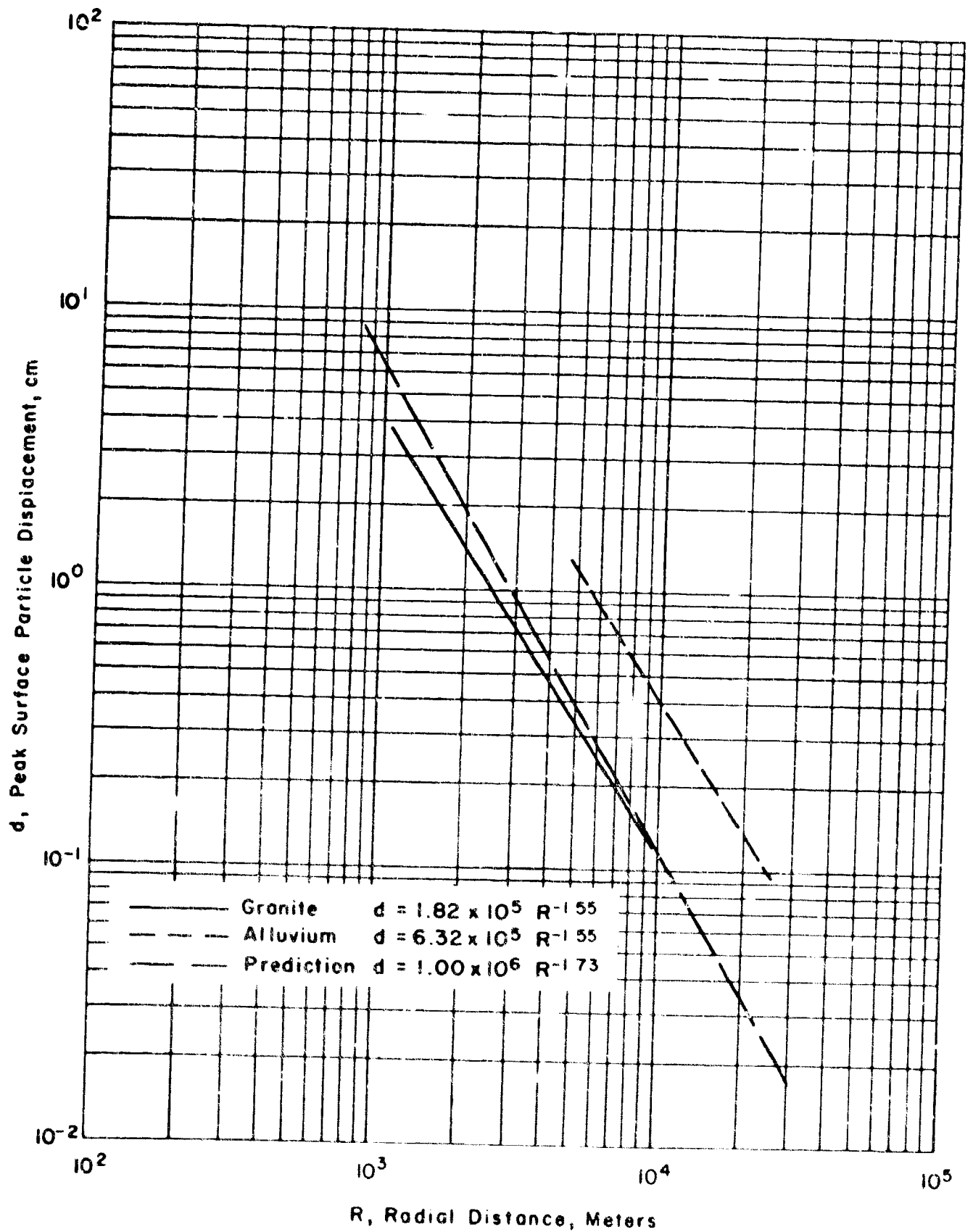
Figure 3.17 Comparison of Predicted and Observed
Resultant Vector of Displacement

The legend in the figure reads:

Granite $d = 1.82 \times 10^5 \ R^{-1.55}$

Alluvium $d = 6.32 \times 10^5 \ R^{-1.55}$

Prediction $d = 1.00 \times 10^6 \ R^{-1.73}$

The y-axis is labeled "d, Peak Surface Particle Displacement, cm" and the x-axis is labeled "R, Radial Distance, Meters".
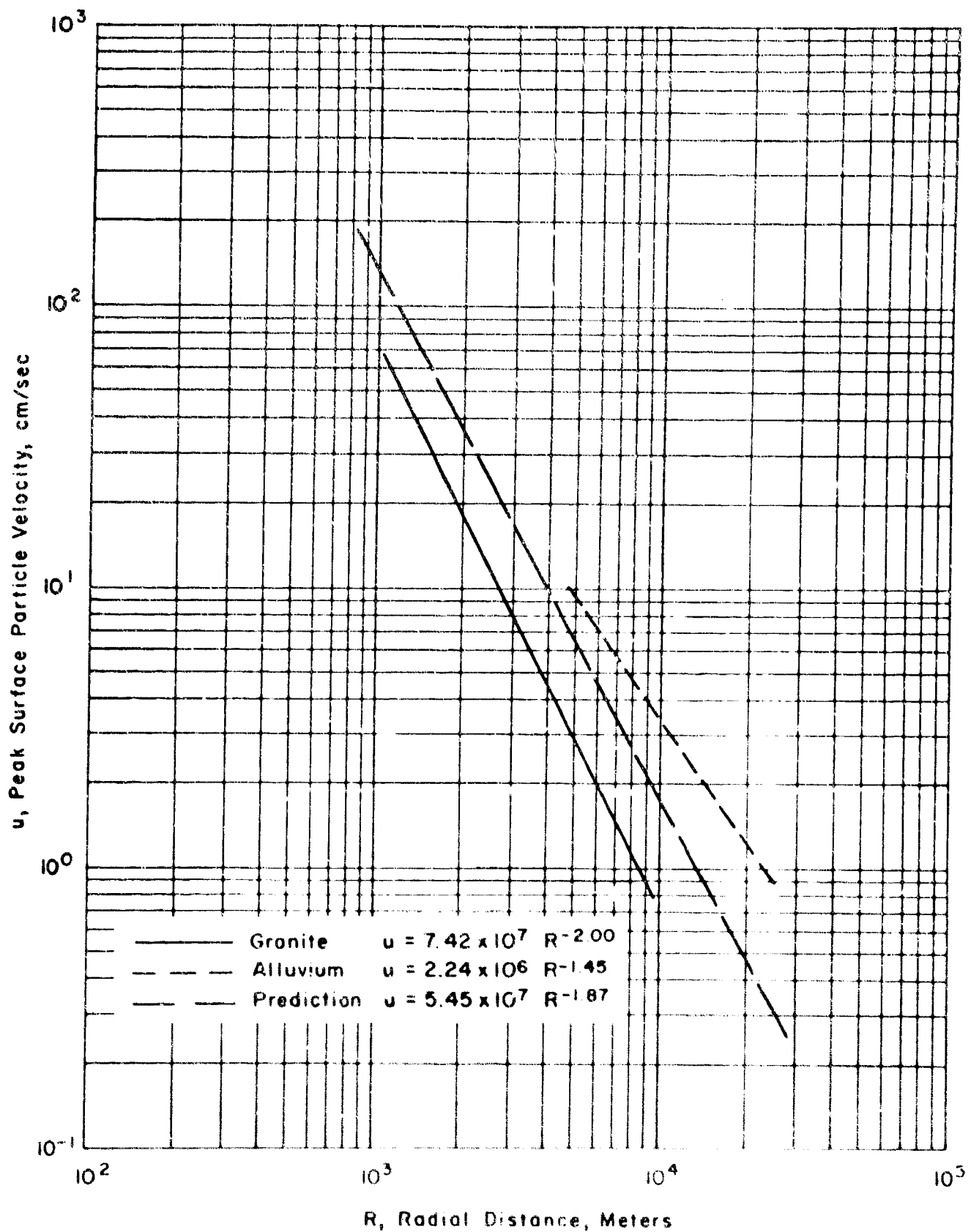
Figure 3.18 Comparison of Predicted and Observed
Resultant Vector of Particle Velocity

The graph shows u, Peak Surface Particle Velocity, cm/sec versus R, Radial Distance, Meters with the following relationships:

- Granite: $u = 7.42 \times 10^7 \; R^{-2.00}$
- Alluvium: $u = 2.24 \times 10^6 \; R^{-1.45}$
- Prediction: $u = 5.45 \times 10^7 \; R^{-1.87}$

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GEO-TECH   Geo Technical Corporation
                 Garland, Texas

GIMRADA   U. S. Army Geodesy, Intelligence and Mapping Research
                 and Development Agency
                 Fort Belvoir, Virginia

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                 Palo Alto, California

H&N, Inc.   Holmes & Narver, Inc.
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                 Las Vegas, Nevada

ISOTOPES   Isotopes, Inc.
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ITEK   ITEK Corporation
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LPI   Lucius Pitkin, Inc.
                 New York, New York

NBM   Nevada Bureau of Mines
                 University of Nevada, Reno, Nevada

NRDL   U. S. Naval Radiological Defense Laboratory
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                 Las Vegas, Nevada

SC   Sandia Corporation
                 Albuquerque, New Mexico

SRI   Stanford Research Institute
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TI	Texas Instruments, Inc. Dallas, Texas
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USBM-PRC	U. S. Bureau of Mines Bartlesville Petroleum Research Center Bartlesville, Oklahoma
USC&GS	U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey Las Vegas, Nevada
USGS	U. S. Geologic Survey Denver, Colorado
USPHS	U. S. Public Health Service Las Vegas, Nevada
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