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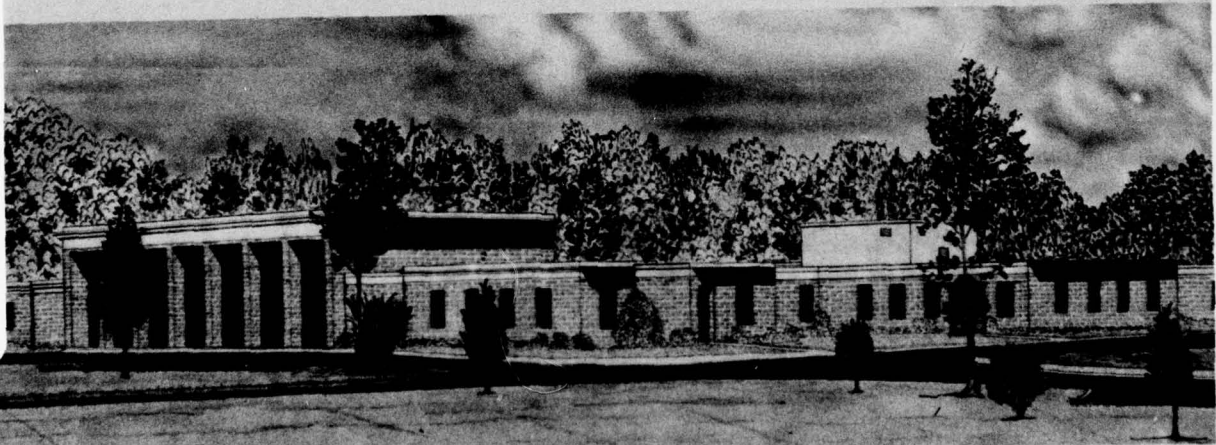
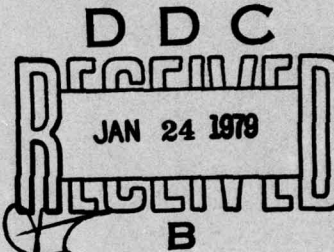
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20. ABSTRACT (Continued)

A two-dimensional numerical tidal model (WIFM) was used to investigate the tidal hydrodynamics of the inlet complex. Due to the nature of the complex geometry of the Coos Bay area, it was necessary to develop a capability of computing the tidal regime on a variable grid system. The primary objective of this study was to apply WIFM to the Coos Bay-South Slough complex to predict quantitatively the hydrodynamics (exclusive of sediment transport and wave action) of the tidal flow in the system and hence draw a comparison between existing conditions and alternate improvement plan conditions. In general, the improvement plans provide for:

- a. Construction of specified navigation channels.
- b. Alternate breakwater extensions west of the entrance channel.
- c. Alternate detached groins east of the entrance channel.

Five alternate plans (plan 1 and plans A-D) were tested, and the results show that the introduction of any of the improvement plans as proposed would not produce any detrimental impact to tidal circulation in South Slough. The greatest effect on the hydrodynamics of the total system would occur with the installation of plan 1. Results for plans A-D indicate that the combination of a Charleston breakwater extension and one or more groins on the east side of Charleston Channel would best meet the District's needs in that they permit more control over the alignment of the Charleston Channel. Time histories of tide elevations and velocities are presented for selected stations throughout the Coos Bay-South Slough complex. Sample circulation patterns for four instances in the tidal cycle are presented for the verification conditions and for each plan. Total discharge through several key ranges in the system is graphed as a function of time. A wave refraction analysis, using a linear wave refraction model, was performed to determine wave energy levels penetrating the entrance to Coos Bay Inlet. Results are tabulated for six initial deepwater directions and six periods. An attempt was made to compute wave orthogonals extending into Coos Bay Inlet. Only those shallow-water waves whose azimuth is aligned with the entrance channel would propagate within the inlet system. Results obtained by the linear wave refraction code are very limited for sites such as Coos Bay due to the complex channel formation extending outward from the inlet jetties and shoal areas adjacent to the main channel as it progresses eastward toward Barview.

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PREFACE

The model investigation described herein was authorized by the U. S. Army Engineer District, Portland, and conducted at the U. S. Army Engineer Waterways Experiment Station (WES) in the Wave Dynamics Division (WDD), Hydraulics Laboratory, under the direction of Mr. H. B. Simmons, Chief of the Hydraulics Laboratory, and Dr. R. W. Whalin, Chief of the Wave Dynamics Division.

The investigation was performed and this report prepared by Mr. H. Lee Butler, WDD. Mr. George Fisackerly, Estuaries Division, supervised the field survey. The numerical computations associated with this work were performed on a Control Data Cyber 176 located at the Air Force Weapons Laboratory (AFWL), Kirtland Air Force Base, New Mexico.

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CONVERSION FACTORS, U. S. CUSTOMARY TO METRIC (SI)
UNITS OF MEASUREMENT

U. S. customary units of measurement used in this report can be converted to metric (SI) units as follows:

<u>Multiply</u>	<u>By</u>	<u>To Obtain</u>
feet	0.3048	metres
feet per second	0.3048	metres per second
square miles (U. S. statute)	2.589988	square kilometres
square feet per second	0.09290304	square metres per second
feet per second per second	0.3048	metres per second per second

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PART I: INTRODUCTION

Background

1. This study, funded by the U. S. Army Engineer District, Portland, Engineering Division (NPPEN), was initiated for the purpose of investigating the effect of several alternative training dikes and/or breakwaters on tidal circulation in the Coos Bay-South Slough area. Coos Bay Inlet is a natural inlet located on the south central coast of Oregon (Figure 1). The inlet traffics heavy shipping up the Coos Bay River to North Bend and small craft (commercial fishing and pleasure craft) to Charleston Harbor just south of the inlet entrance. Depths in the entrance channel and the Coos River ranges reach 60 ft* NGVD (National Geodetic Vertical Datum). This reference to depth means 60 ft below the plane of NGVD where NGVD is a fixed reference adopted as a standard geodetic datum for heights. The geodetic datum is fixed and does not take into account the changing stands of sea level. Since the geodetic datum represents a best fit over a broad area, the relation between the geodetic datum and local mean sea level is not consistent from one location to another in either time or space. The last general adjustment taken into account for the data presented in this report was the 1947 adjustment. South Slough is a shallow body of water connected to the system via a single channel between the cities of Charleston on the west and Barview on the east. The upper reaches of South Slough constitute a National Marine Sanctuary, administered by the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration, and the first created under the Coastal Zone Management Act. South Slough is characterized by narrow channels winding their way through mud flats and sandbars. The region to be modeled encompasses an area of over 46 square miles.

* A table of factors for converting U. S. customary units of measurement to metric (SI) units is presented on page 3.

2. Traffic into and out of Charleston Harbor has been affected by the shifting of Charleston Channel (that part of the South Slough channel from the main Coos Bay channel to Charleston Bridge) out of project alignment. Continual shoaling problems exist within the channel. Cost of additional maintenance may warrant installation of structures that would alleviate the problem. A secondary benefit from such structures would be a potential reduction in wave damage in the Charleston boat basin. Such plans must be analyzed regarding their impact on the tidal hydraulics of the entire system and of South Slough in particular.

3. A two-dimensional numerical tidal model (WIFM) developed at the U. S. Army Engineer Waterways Experiment Station (WES) was used to perform the analyses. Due to the nature of the complex geometry of the Coos Bay area, it was necessary to develop a capability of computing tidal hydrodynamics on a variable grid system. The technique for this scheme was taken from Wanstrath¹ and introduced into WIFM.

Objectives

4. The primary objective of this study was to apply WIFM to the Coos Bay-South Slough complex to predict quantitatively the hydrodynamics (exclusive of sediment transport and wave action) of the tidal flow in the system, and hence draw a comparison between existing conditions and alternate plan conditions. Specifically, the following tasks were accomplished:

- a. A field survey for obtaining prototype tidal and velocity data
- b. A numerical investigation of tidal circulation including verification and testing of five alternate improvement plans
- c. A wave refraction study for the area around the entrance channel

PART II: COMPUTATIONAL TECHNIQUES

Equations of Motion

5. The hydrodynamic equations used in this work are the classical shallow-water wave equations. Expressed in a Cartesian coordinate system (Figure 2), the equations of motion are given as

MOMENTUM

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{U^2}{d} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{UV}{d} \right) - fV + gd \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} = - \frac{gU}{C^2 d^2} (U^2 + V^2)^{1/2} + F_x \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{UV}{d} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{V^2}{d} \right) + fU + gd \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial y} = - \frac{gV}{C^2 d^2} (U^2 + V^2)^{1/2} + F_y \quad (2)$$

CONTINUITY

$$\frac{\partial \eta}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial U}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} = R \quad (3)$$

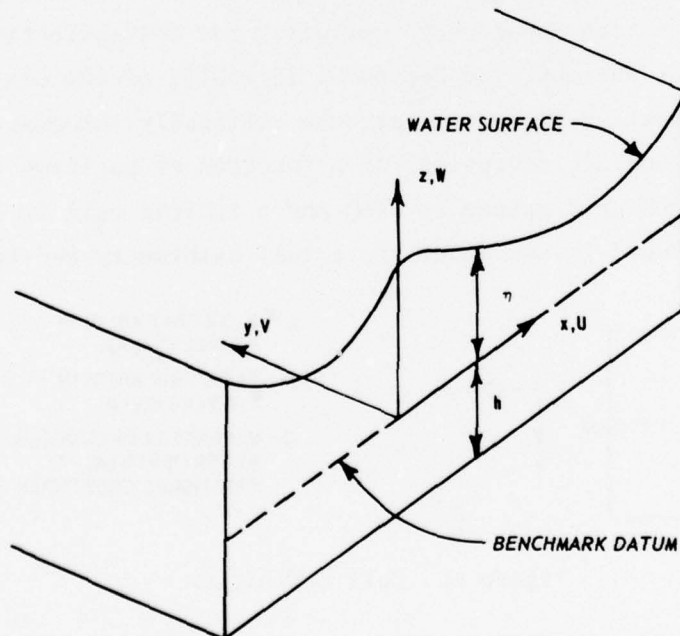


Figure 2. Coordinate system for problem formulation

The fluid has been assumed incompressible and homogeneous and all density variations are neglected. In these equations U and V are the vertically integrated transports per unit of width at time t in the x and y directions, respectively; η is the water-surface elevation with respect to the given datum; $d = \eta - h$ is the total water depth at (x,y,t) ; f is the Coriolis parameter; C is the Chezy coefficient; F_x and F_y are terms representing external forcing functions such as wind effects; g is the acceleration due to gravity; and R is a term representing the rate at which additional water is introduced into or taken from the system (for example, through rainfall and evaporation).^{*} A complete derivation of these equations can be found in Wang and Connor.²

Numerical Approach

6. Since obtaining a solution to the governing nonlinear equations on a highly complex region is intractable for a purely analytical approach, a numerical technique is employed. A finite difference scheme which treats the time dependency implicitly for cost-effective simulation is applied, whereby, the dependent variables of the centered, alternating-direction procedure³ are the vertically integrated fluid transports and surface elevations as a function of position and time. A space-staggered grid scheme is used and a typical cell is described in Figure 3. Included in the model are actual bathymetry and topography,

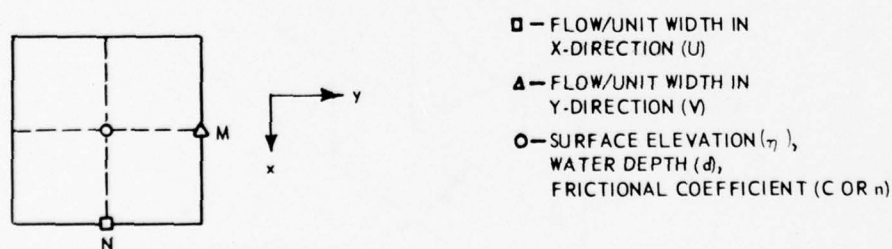


Figure 3. Cell definition

* For convenience, symbols and unusual abbreviations are listed and defined in the Notation (Appendix A).

variable bottom roughness, inertial forces due to advective and Coriolis accelerations, rainfall, and spatial and time-dependent wind fields. Flooding of low-lying terrain during a normal tide cycle is simulated. The model is also capable of treating subgrid barrier effects. Exposed, submerged, and overtopping barriers can be represented within the grid system. The formulation of the flooding model (entitled WIFM--WES Implicit Flooding Model) is presented in detail by Butler.⁴

Variable Grid

7. The initial version of WIFM only permitted the use of a regular spaced rectilinear grid system. Due to the nature of the Coos Bay-South Slough complex and the relatively small dimensions of plan modifications to be tested, it was necessary to develop a variable grid procedure to permit economical simulation of the study region. A coordinate transformation given by

$$x = a + b\alpha^c \quad (4)$$

where a , b , and c are arbitrary constants, is applied piecewise for each axis. One may consider this transformation as mapping prototype space, discretized with a smoothly varying grid, into computational space (α -space) employing a regular-spaced grid. The transformation is such that in α -space all derivatives are centered. By applying a smoothly varying grid whose functional as well as first derivatives are continuous, stability problems usually associated with variable grid schemes are eliminated. This type of transformation permits simulation of a complex landscape by locally increasing grid resolution and/or aligning coordinates along physical boundaries.

8. The equations of motion in α -space can be written as

MOMENTUM

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial U}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{\mu_1} \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha_1} \left(\frac{U^2}{d} \right) + \frac{1}{\mu_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha_2} \left(\frac{UV}{d} \right) - fV + \frac{gd}{\mu_1} \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial \alpha_1} \\ = - \frac{gU}{C^2 d^2} (U^2 + V^2)^{1/2} + F_{\alpha_1} \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{\mu_1} \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha_1} \left(\frac{UV}{d} \right) + \frac{1}{\mu_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha_2} \left(\frac{V^2}{d} \right) + fU + \frac{gd}{\mu_2} \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial \alpha_2} \\ = - \frac{gV}{C^2 d^2} (U^2 + V^2)^{1/2} + F_{\alpha_2} \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

CONTINUITY

$$\frac{\partial \eta}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{\mu_1} \frac{\partial U}{\partial \alpha_1} + \frac{1}{\mu_2} \frac{\partial V}{\partial \alpha_2} = R \quad (7)$$

where

$$\mu_1 = \frac{\partial x}{\partial \alpha_1} = b_1 c_1 \alpha_1^{(c_1-1)} \quad (8)$$

$$\mu_2 = \frac{\partial y}{\partial \alpha_2} = b_2 c_2 \alpha_2^{(c_2-1)} \quad (9)$$

Minor modifications of the finite difference analogs to Equations 1-3 are required to introduce the factors μ_1 and μ_2 appearing in Equations 5-7. The quantities μ_1 and μ_2 define the stretching of the regular-spaced computational grid in α -space (spatial steps of $\Delta \alpha_1$ and $\Delta \alpha_2$) to approximate a study region in real or prototype space (x, y space).

9. A time-share code has been designed to calculate the mapping defined by Equation 4. Each axis is partitioned into any number of regions for which the mapping coefficients are determined. The code allows the user full control over the variable spacing along each axis. Having mapped both spatial directions independently, a batch code plots the variable grid in prototype space on a pen plotter for use as an overlay on bathymetric charts for ease of digitizing water depths. In addition, values for the quantities μ_1 and μ_2 are given on punched cards for direct use by program WIFM.

Boundary Conditions

10. Various types of boundary conditions are permissible in the present code. These include:

- a. Open boundaries. Water levels or flow rates are

prescribed functions of location and time and are given as tabular input to WIFM.

- b. Water-land boundaries. Such boundaries lie on cell faces and hence impermeable boundaries are accounted for by specifying $U = 0$ or $V = 0$ at the appropriate cell face. Low-lying terrain may alternately dry and flood within a tidal cycle. Inundation is simulated by making the location of the land-water boundary a function of the current value of the total water depth. By checking water level in adjacent cells relative to ground elevation, a determination is made as to the possibility of inundation. If flooding is possible, the boundary face is treated as open and computations for η , U , and V are made for that cell. Figure 4 depicts a graphic representation of flood cell treatment. The drying of cells is simply the inverse process. The code does allow excess water to drain from "dry cells," noting that inundation or drying occurs when the adjacent water level exceeds or is within some small fraction of a foot (0.2 ft in this application).
- c. Subgrid barriers. Subgrid barriers are defined along cell faces and are of three types: exposed, submerged, and overtopping. Exposed barriers are handled by simply specifying no-flow conditions across the appropriate cell face. Submerged barriers are simulated by controlling the flow across cell faces with the use of a time-dependent frictional coefficient (Chezy coefficient). Overtopping barrier is a terminology used to distinguish barriers which can be submerged during one portion of the tidal cycle and totally exposed in another. Actual overtopping is controlled by using a broad-crested weir formula⁵ to specify the proper flow rate across the barrier. Once the barrier is submerged (or conversely exposed), procedures as described above are followed. Figure 5 gives a graphic description of these barrier conditions.

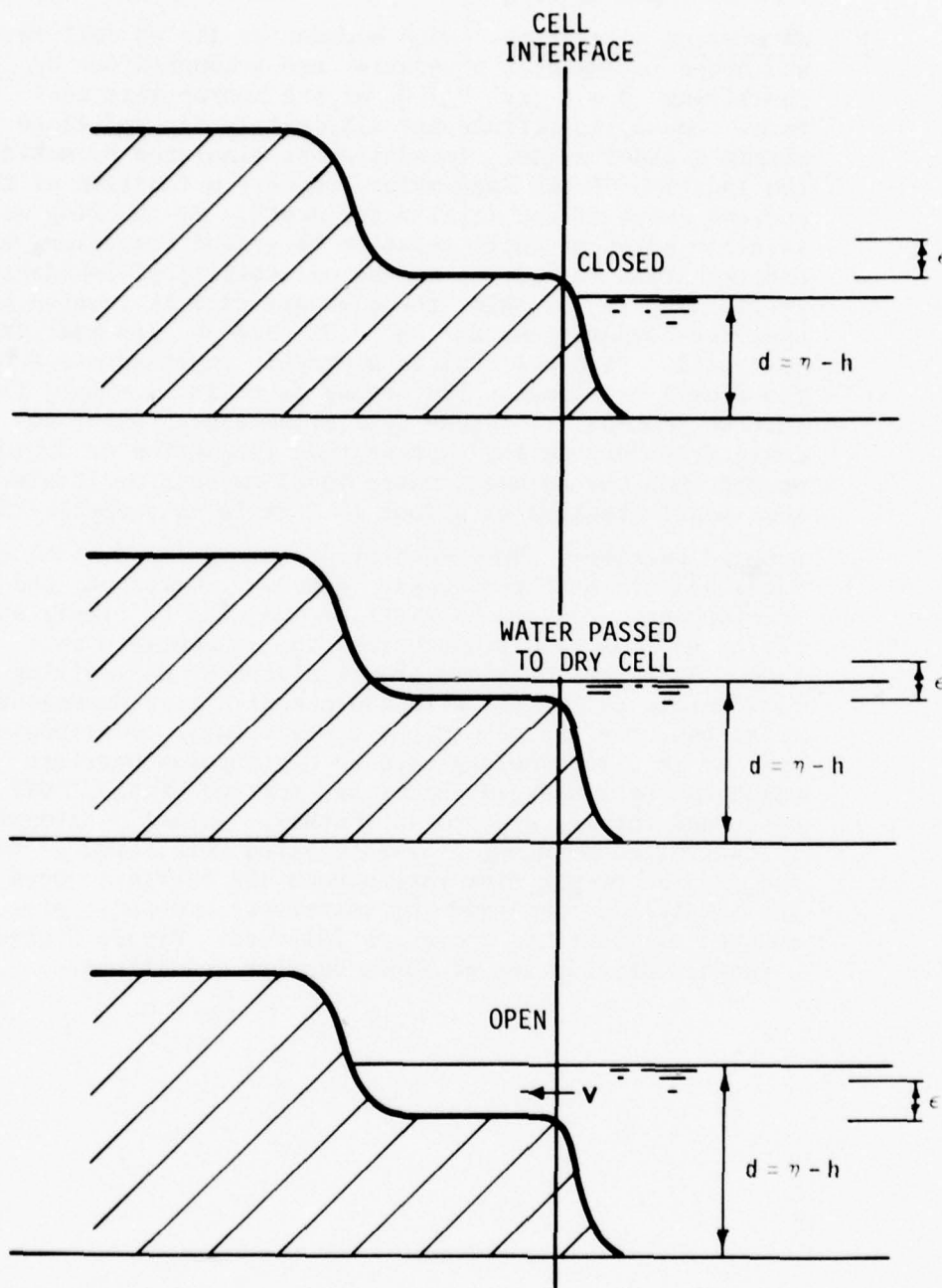
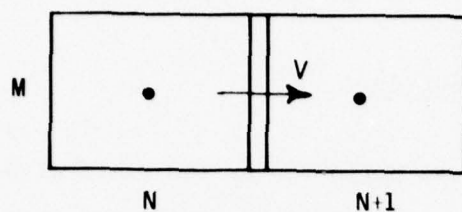
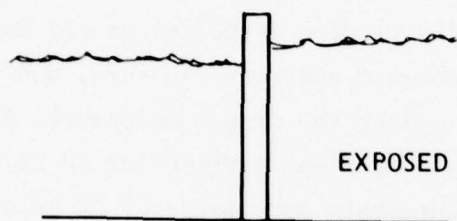


Figure 4. Flood cell treatment



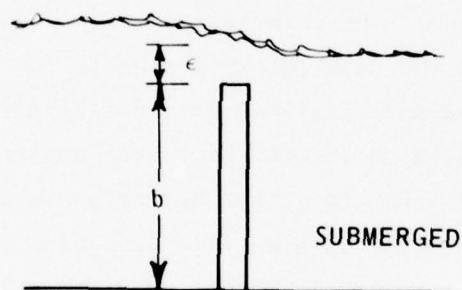
BARRIER AT CELL INTERFACE (HEIGHT b)



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$$\eta_N < b + \epsilon$$

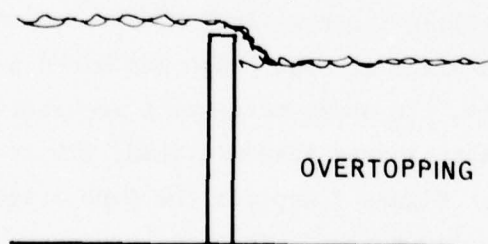
$$\eta_{N+1} < b + \epsilon$$



$$\eta_N > b + \epsilon$$

$$\eta_{N+1} > b + \epsilon$$

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$$\eta_N > b + \epsilon$$

$$\eta_{N+1} < b + \epsilon$$

$$V = C_o d_H \sqrt{d_H}$$

WATER IS PASSED TO
LOW SIDE ACCORDING
TO FLOW RATE V

Figure 5. Barrier conditions treated by WIFM

PART III: TIDAL CIRCULATION FOR EXISTING CONDITIONS

Field Survey

11. A prototype field survey was performed by the staff at WES during the period 14-22 October 1976. Eleven tide gages were installed, eight of which were in the model area and were used in verifying WIFM to existing conditions. An additional gage at Charleston Harbor, monitored by National Ocean Survey (NOS), was also used in the verification process. The gages outside the model limits were installed to aid NOS in establishing Charleston as a NOS reference station. In turn, NOS provided technical assistance in establishing the proper benchmarks for all gages installed. A 25-hour velocity survey was carried out on 21-22 October. Current and salinity measurements were taken at 10 locations within 5 ranges. Figure 6 depicts all model tide gage locations and velocity range and station locations. The velocity survey was conducted under a calm sea condition. Since the calm survey period is the only scenario to be modeled and proposed modifications will not affect wind-driven circulation in South Slough, wind effects have been neglected in the study. A concurrent effort by NPPEN to gather hydrographic survey data provided definition of the existing bathymetry. The datum selected for WIFM was 1947 NGVD since most bathymetric charts provided were related to this datum.

12. Tidal gages located at Cape Arago (gage 1) and Empire (gage 0) were used to provide data for driving the numerical model at open-water boundaries (Figure 6). Tidal readings at Cape Arago contained a great deal of high-frequency components. In order to extract meaningful tidal data from actual readings, a least-squares harmonic (LSH) fit to eight days of available data was made. Figure 7 depicts the Cape Arago LSH fit for the duration of the velocity survey. The same process was also applied to the OSU gage (gage 2) and the fitted data were used for comparison with model results.

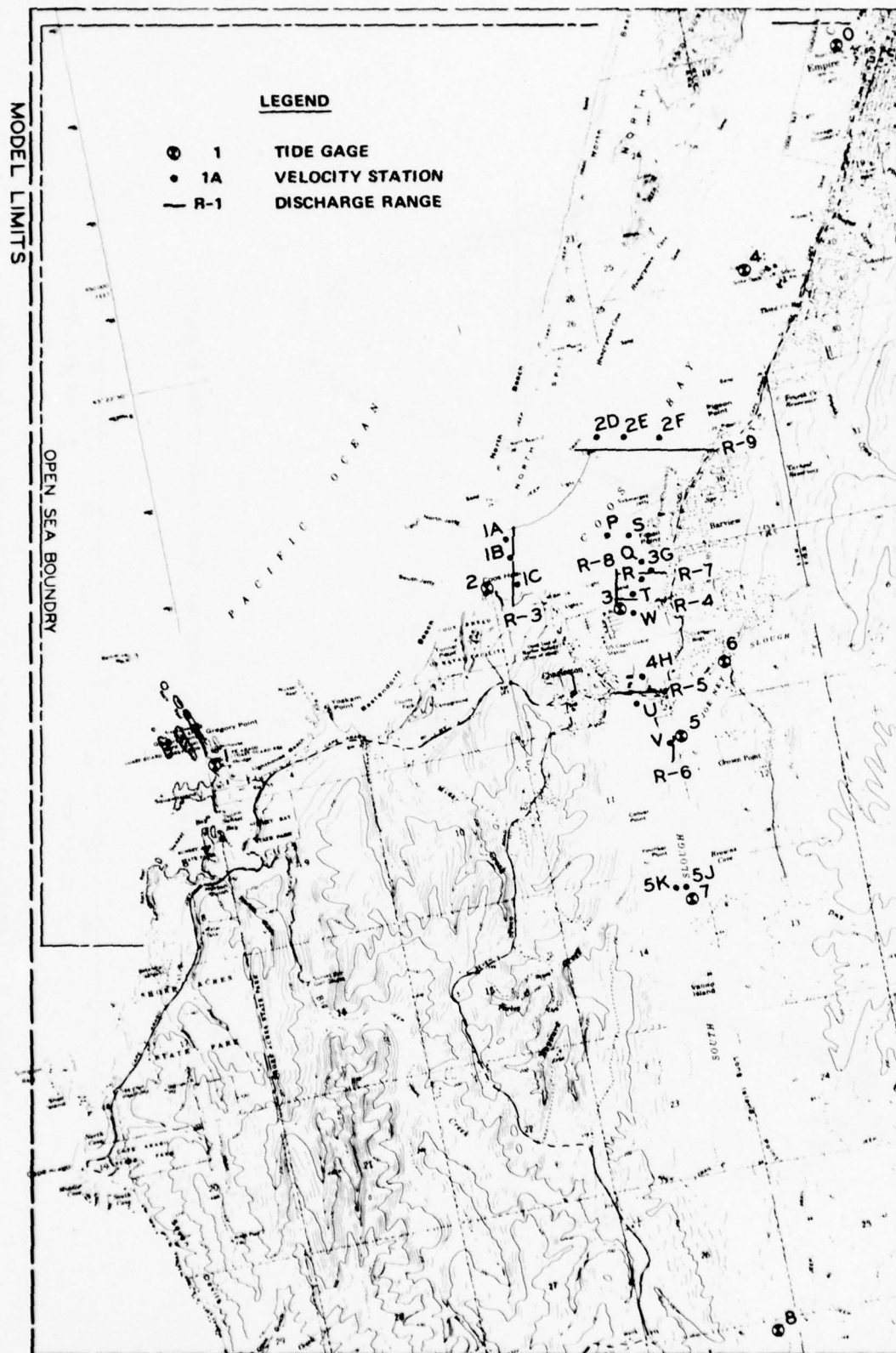


Figure 6. Extent of model area, gage, and range locations for Coos Bay Inlet/South Slough

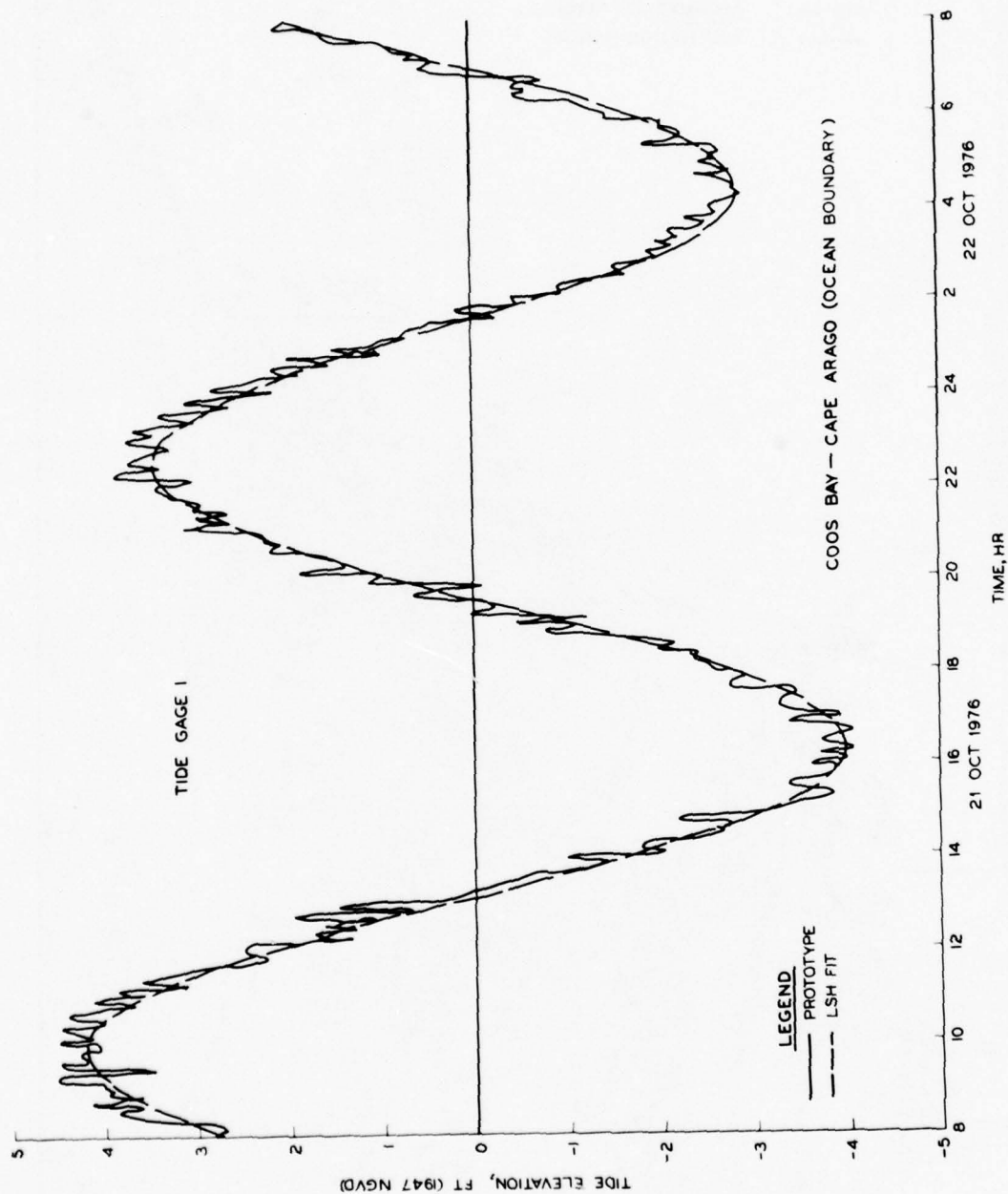


Figure 7. Least-squares harmonic fit to Cape Arago tide data

Computational Grid

13. The first step in applying WIFM to the study region was to select a computational grid. A variable mesh for each direction was selected with the prototype grid spacing ranging from 150 ft to 900 ft. The finer mesh was focused around the inlet entrance and Charleston Harbor where proposed structures to be tested would likely be placed. Figure 8 shows the computing grid overlaid on an area map. The grid consists of 13,130 incongruent cells having dimensions of 130 x 101. Recall that a coordinate transformation in the form of a piecewise "exponential squeeze" is applied independently to each axial direction to map the variable grid into an equally spaced computing grid used directly by WIFM.

14. Fourteen bathymetry maps of the model area were reduced to the same scale (1:6000) and pieced together to form three maps: Empire to Charleston Harbor, Charleston Harbor to the south end of South Slough, and the open ocean area. Grid overlays for digitizing water depths were generated and plotted on a Calcomp drum plotter. Depth and keyed bottom characteristics (for defining associated Manning's n) were tabulated for each grid cell.

15. As mentioned previously, the open ocean boundary was forced with the tide history obtained at Cape Arago, and the open water boundary near Empire was forced with the tide history taken at a nearby dock. All other boundaries were taken as movable land-water boundaries. The effects of small channels entering the southernmost end of South Slough were neglected since their effect on comparing alternate plan conditions with existing conditions would be small.

16. Various subgrid anomalies exist throughout the system, such as boat docks, loading docks, narrow shoals, submerged jetties, exposed jetties, and bridges. These features are treated as barriers described by different frictional coefficients to simulate their effect on circulation.

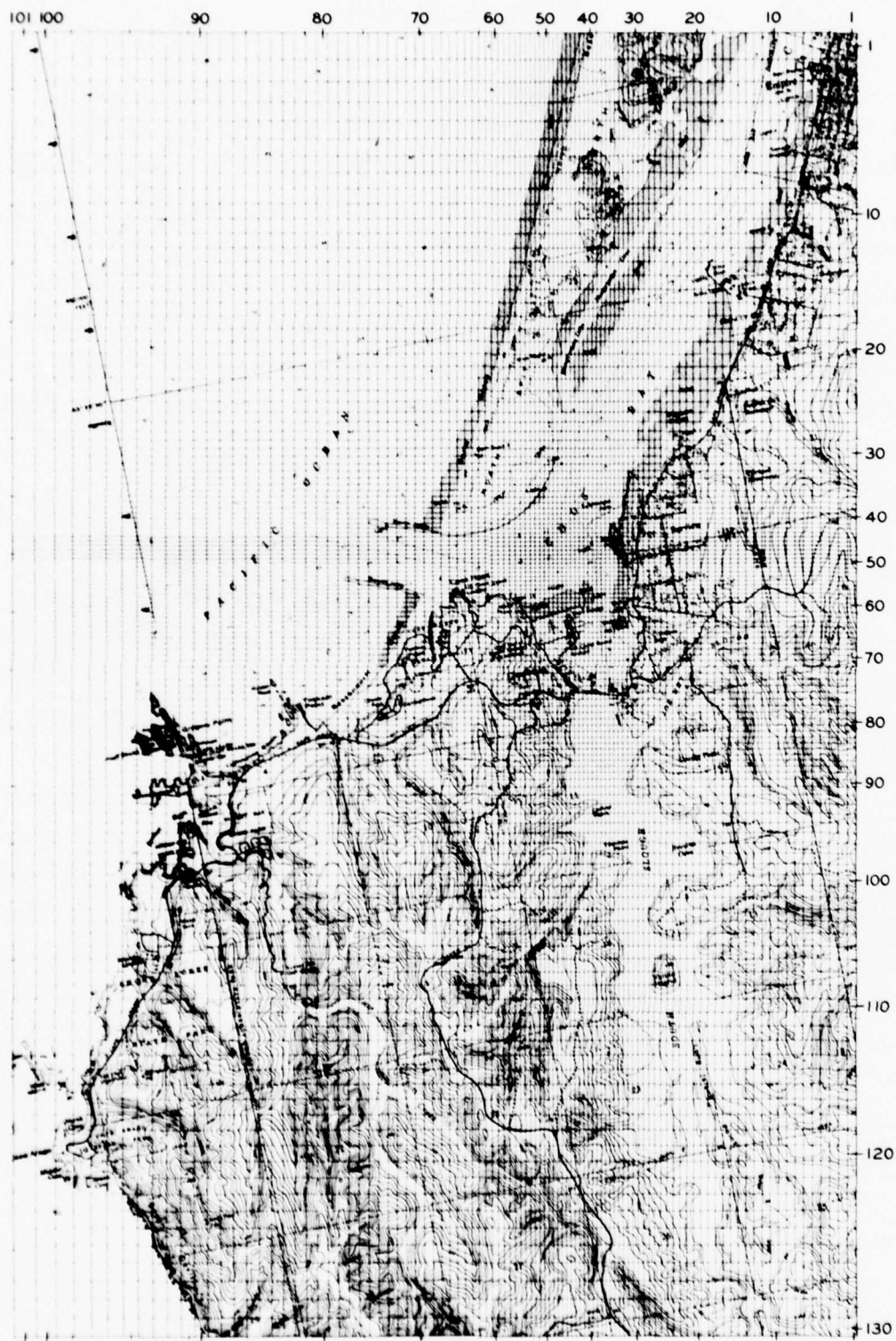


Figure 8. Computational grid for the Coos Bay model

Model Verification

17. The objective of the verification phase of any model study is to demonstrate the model's ability to produce results that agree with known data for existing conditions. Conditions for the model area from 0800 PST on 21 October to 0800 PST on 22 October were simulated to establish the model's predictive capability as well as base conditions for comparing effects of proposed improvement plans. Comparisons between prototype and model were made for tidal elevations at 9 locations and current velocities at 10 stations. Prototype current measurements were taken at three depths: surface, middepth, and bottom as exemplified in Figure 9. These field data all indicate that neglecting velocity variations in the vertical direction (an assumption used in formulation of the numerical model) is reasonable and justified for the study area. For ease of presentation, comparison between model and prototype velocities will be made by using the prototype middepth velocity.

18. Surface elevation results are depicted in Plates 1-3 for gages 0-8. Prototype data for both tide and velocity comparisons are depicted by a solid line and model results by a line annotated with the symbol x. All data were plotted at half-hour intervals. As mentioned previously, gages 0 and 1 were used to drive the numerical model and therefore show excellent agreement. Note that the Cape Arago gage (gage 1) is well removed from the model boundary. Results indicate that its use as a driving gage is a reasonable assumption. All tide gages outside of South Slough show very good agreement between model and prototype. Gages within South Slough (5-8) depict a good comparison although an overshoot in the flood phase is noted. This is probably due to the cruder grid representation used in the slough and the inability to define mud flats and other storage areas accurately due to lack of prototype data. Gage 8 is representative of the hydrograph at Hinch Bridge. Because of the large size of computational cells at the south end of the slough, gage 8 cannot be simulated as accurately as other gages. The variable computation grid was designed to give finer resolution in the area of proposed structural changes. Fine resolution throughout the study area would

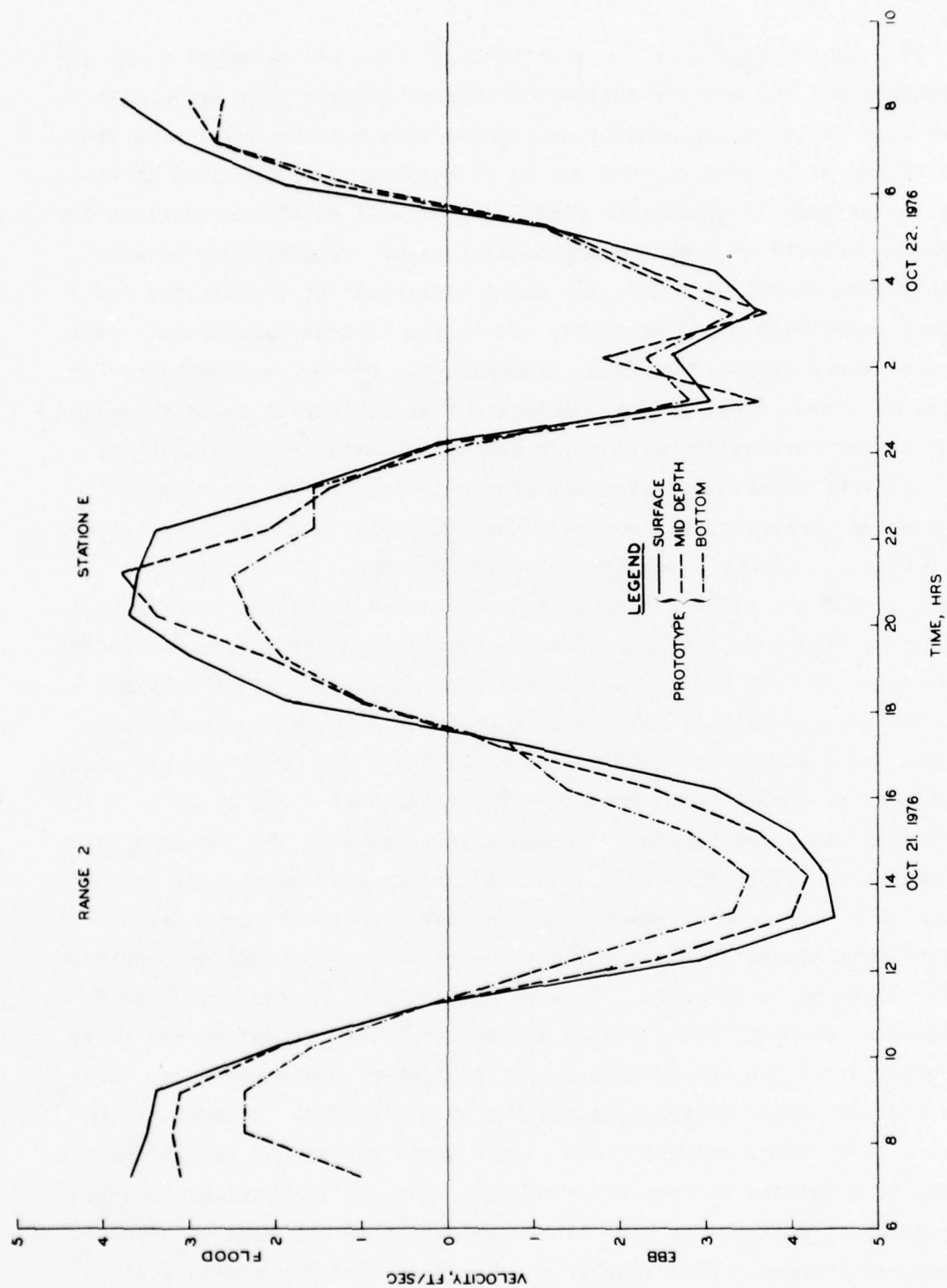


Figure 9. Example of the vertical variation in prototype current measurements

have resulted in a much larger number of grid points forcing WIFM storage requirements to exceed the capacity of the Cyber 176, the fastest and largest computer currently available to the Corps. The grid selected permits an economical and accurate assessment of plan effects relative to base conditions.

19. Velocity comparisons for ranges 1-5 are presented in Plates 4-7. It should be noted that the numerical model began computing from a quiescent state at 0600 PST. It takes about four hours for the model to spin up. This fact would explain the poorer comparison in the first hours of the velocity survey. Some of the prototype data are missing due to operational problems in rough seas. Comparison with prototype velocity data for most ranges and stations is good (recall that the middepth reading at all stations is used for a comparison basis). Range 1 extends from Coos Head to the north jetty across the inlet throat. Range 2 is located between Pigeon Point and North Spit across Coos Bay. The low flood velocity in the second flood phase at sta 2D is an anomaly which may be due to small eddies not simulated by WIFM. Range 3 is located east of the entrance channel to Charleston Harbor. Again, this area is prone to small eddies as seen in the prototype data at the beginning of each ebb phase. Range 4 is located near the entrance to South Slough. Range 5 is located near Copes Dock in South Slough. For Range 5 the numerical model results show a weak flood velocity and a stronger ebb velocity. Sta 5J is located at the entrance to a small lagoon in front of Copes Dock and sta 5K is located in the main slough channel 200 ft west of sta 5J. There is no indication that a freshwater inflow from the south or an anomalous wind condition caused the large ebb velocity. The difference in tidal range between the first and second cycle appears insufficient to cause the prototype ebb velocity in the first phase whose peak magnitude is four times that experienced in the second ebb phase. Although some differences between prototype data and numerical model predictions occurred, the overall quality of the model verification was good. The greater differences occurred in the areas of cruder spatial resolution. As long as changes in hydraulics caused by the introduction of control structures do not extend into

these areas, the verification results can be used, with a high degree of reliability, as base conditions for plan effect comparisons. Hence, for the remainder of the report, verification results will be referred to as base conditions.

20. Additional velocity stations were selected for comparing plan with base conditions. Results will be presented in PART IV of this report. Various ranges for comparison of volumetric discharges also were plotted for use in analyzing plan effects.

21. For plotting circulation patterns, the computational region was subdivided into three areas: Coos Bay River Reach (extending from Empire to Charleston Harbor), South Slough (from Charleston Harbor to Hinch Bridge), and an enlargement of the Inlet/Charleston Harbor area. Two types of flow field plots were made: the first displaying transport vectors and the second displaying velocity vectors (similar to surface current patterns). Plots for each simulation hour were produced on microfiche, 35 mm color film, and black and white film. Plates 8-10 display example circulation patterns (transport and velocity) for the inlet subregion at three time instances in the tidal cycle: ebb, flood, and near slack water. These plots indicate the amount and direction of water flowing through a given cell cross section at a given time. A vector with length equal to a minimum cell width represents a flow per unit width of $100 \text{ ft}^2/\text{sec}$ (transport plots) and a velocity of $3 \text{ ft}/\text{sec}$ (velocity plots). A complete set of circulation plots is on file at both WES and NPPEN. A few geographic landmarks have been identified in Plate 8 to aid in plot orientation. Heavy straight lines on each circulation plot depict existing or proposed structures (jetties, breakwaters, bridges, boat docks, etc.). Such features shown in Plates 8-10 are all existing structures.

PART IV: ALTERNATE IMPROVEMENT PLANS

22. For the purpose of reducing maintenance costs associated with the navigation channel into Charleston Harbor, NPPEN has proposed testing five alternate improvement plans. Each plan includes dredging a new straight channel to the harbor as well as some combination of breakwaters and/or groins. Figure 10 displays all plan conditions and major velocity stations used in comparing plan with base conditions. The five alternative plans are summarized as follows:

- a. Plan 1 -- An L-shaped breakwater extending from land at a point approximately 1,000 ft northward from the westward end of the existing breakwater toward Fossil Point for 2,600 ft and then north at a right angle toward North Spit for 1,000 ft and three east-west groins (approximately 400 ft long) located between the existing submerged jetty and the entrance to Charleston Harbor on the east side of Charleston Channel.
- b. Plan A -- A 1,000-ft extension of the existing Charleston breakwater toward the north.
- c. Plan B -- The breakwater extension in plan A and a 400-ft east-west groin located on the east side of the entrance channel at the end of the new extension.
- d. Plan C -- Placement of a groin as described in plan B without the breakwater extension.
- e. Plan D -- Conditions as for plan B with the addition of another 400-ft east-west groin at the entrance of Charleston Harbor.

The new channel for plan 1 would be dredged to -15 ft NGVD, and to -14 ft NGVD for all other plans.

23. Plates 11-19 show the comparison of surface elevations with plans installed using verification results as a base condition. No significant changes are noted between plan and base conditions.

24. Plates 20-29 depict the comparison between plan and base conditions for current velocities at base station locations. Again, no significant changes are noted with any plan installed, with the exception of sta 3G. This station is located between or near groins in plans 1, B, C, and D. As expected, the velocity is reduced with the installation of groins east of the new channel.

25. Additional velocity stations were selected for comparing plan with base conditions. Station locations (P, ... , W) are shown in Figure 6 and results are depicted in Plates 30-37. Sta P is located at the tip of the L-shaped breakwater in plan 1 and the velocity at sta P is reduced by introducing the plan. Since the breakwater extension in plans A, B, and D does not reach the area of sta P, little change is noted with the introduction of these plans. Sta Q and R are located between or near training dikes in all plans except plan A. Results indicate the suppression of flow in these areas. Sta S is located at the confluence of the main channel and the Charleston Harbor (CH) channel. Little change is noted with the introduction of plans AD. However, plan 1 greatly increases the local velocity and discharge into and out of the CH channel since the tip of the L-shaped breakwater nearly reaches this junction. Sta T is located in the CH channel adjacent to the end of the present Charleston breakwater. Introduction of a groin east of the channel will greatly increase the current velocity in the channel as noted in plans 1 and D. Sta U is at the entrance to South Slough and sta V at the entrance to Joe Ney Slough. No significant velocity change is noted with the introduction of any of the proposed plans. Sta W is located in the CH channel at the entrance to the boat basin. Introduction of a groin opposite the end of the present Charleston breakwater slightly increases current velocity into and out of the boat basin.

26. Plates 38-67 display vector flow patterns (transport and velocity) at three time instances in the tidal cycle for each plan. Proposed structures are depicted by additional heavy straight lines in comparison with Plates 8-10. Also given are difference plots (transport and velocity) for each plan. These differences were formed by subtracting vector components of base calculations from plan results. The direction of the resulting vector will be reversed relative to the proper flow direction if the flow magnitude for the base condition is greater than that for plan conditions. All difference plots indicate that the impact on circulation due to plan installment is confined to a localized area near the structures.

27. Several discharge ranges were selected to present graphs of volumetric discharge as a function of time. Plates 68-72 depict the discharge through five ranges (R3-R6, R9) whose locations are given in Figure 6. No change is noted with the installation of any plan for R3 and R9 (inlet throat and Coos Bay-Empire ranges, respectively). Ranges R4, R5, and R6 are located at the entrance to Charleston Harbor, South Slough, and Joe Ney Slough, respectively. Little change in total discharge is noted for these ranges, with plan 1 showing the largest impact at any one instant in time. Results from these and other ranges indicate that the tidal prism in South Slough will not be altered by construction of any of the plans tested.

PART V: WAVE REFRACTION ANALYSIS

Methodology

28. A wave refraction analysis was performed to determine wave energy levels penetrating the entrance to Coos Bay Inlet. This phase of the study was conducted using a linear wave refraction program developed by Dobson.⁶ Effects of both reflection and diffraction are neglected, and thus it is assumed that no energy is transmitted along the wave crest. These assumptions lead to the wave height being defined by the relation

$$H = H_o K_s K_r$$

where H_o is the wave height in deep water, K_s is the shoaling coefficient, and K_r is the refraction coefficient. Refraction diagrams were produced from two grids as depicted in Plate 73. The open ocean grid extends seaward to water depths of 600 ft and the inlet entrance grid extended from the seaward end of the jetties forming the inlet entrance to Barview. The inlet grid was developed to compute the disposition of wave energy penetrating the inlet.

Deepwater Grid Results

29. Wave orthogonals were calculated and plotted from initial deepwater directions SW, WSW, W, WNW, NW, and NNW, and for periods of 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, and 18 sec. Figures for the deepwater refraction patterns were assembled in a separate report to NPPEN. Plates 74-79 display samples from each deepwater direction. Table 1 summarizes the results for this phase of the analysis. Values given in the table are representative of an average of orthogonals in the harbor entrance. The wave-height adjustment factor is the product of K_s and K_r , and can be applied to any deepwater wave height to obtain the corresponding shallow-water wave height. Since linear theory breaks down in

convergence areas, a maximum refraction coefficient of 1.4 and a minimum of 0.4 should be taken as reasonable limiting values.⁷

Inlet Grid Results

30. For four deepwater directions, SW, WSW, NW, and NNW, the direction of the shallow-water wave at the inlet opening was at such an angle that the computer code could not compute orthogonals extending much beyond Coos Head just inside the inlet entrance. Four examples are depicted in Plates 80-83 for a period of 12 sec. The wave front azimuth at the inlet opening was computed by averaging the shallow-water azimuths for each deepwater direction. The shallow-water azimuths used in the inlet grid runs are tabulated below.

<u>Deepwater Direction</u>	<u>Shallow-Water Azimuth</u>
SW (225°)	272.5°
WSW (247.5°)	276.5°
Average of W and WNW (270° and 292.5°)	297.5°
NW (315°)	315.5°
NNW (337.5°)	321.5°

31. Wave energy approaching the interior of the bay is concentrated from directions W to WNW (75 percent) as given by National Marine Consultants.⁸ The average shallow-water azimuth resulting from these deepwater directions is 297.5° . Since shallow-water waves from such an azimuth begin propagating directly up the entrance channel, these conditions were considered the ones in which maximum wave energy would reach the Barview area. Refraction diagrams for wave periods from 8-18 sec are given in Plates 84-90. Note that two figures are presented for the 14-sec period. The second diagram (Plate 88) indicates the sensitivity in choosing the spacing between wave orthogonals at the beginning of the computation. Since each wave ray is computed independently, it is possible to compute crossovers as exhibited. One can consider each ray as

representing the movement of a "packet" of energy, and thus it is not inconsistent for such crossovers to occur. The results obtained by the linear wave refraction code are very limited for sites such as Coos Bay due to the complex channel formation extending outward from the inlet jetties and shoal areas adjacent to the main channel as it progresses toward Barview.

PART VI: CONCLUSIONS

32. The Coos Bay-South Slough numerical model was verified to reproduce satisfactorily the hydrodynamic response of the Coos Bay inlet system to a specified astronomical tide. The verification procedure substantiates the model's ability to reliably predict the impact of proposed modifications to the Charleston Channel area on tidal elevations, current velocities, and circulation within the study region.

33. Results of the five plans tested show that construction of any of these improvement plans tested will have a minimal effect on tidal circulation in South Slough; most velocity and circulation changes concerned with these plans were confined to the local vicinity of the proposed modifications. The greatest effect on the hydrodynamics of the total system would occur with construction of plan 1. Results for plans A-D indicate that the combination of a Charleston breakwater extension and one or more groins on the east side of Charleston Channel would best meet the District's needs. These plans are less expensive to construct than plan 1 yet still permit control over alignment of the Charleston Channel.

34. No conclusions regarding reduction of shoaling problems in the Charleston Channel or of wave damage in the Charleston boat basin can be made. The tidal circulation model is not designed to address these problems and wave refraction models are severely limited by inherent assumptions of no energy transfer across wave orthogonals. Consequently results from wave refraction analyses are of limited value in quantitatively evaluating the effect of various plans on wave energy in Charleston boat basin. However, inspection of the circulation patterns and wave refraction analyses coupled with experienced coastal engineering judgment may lend some insight into these problems.

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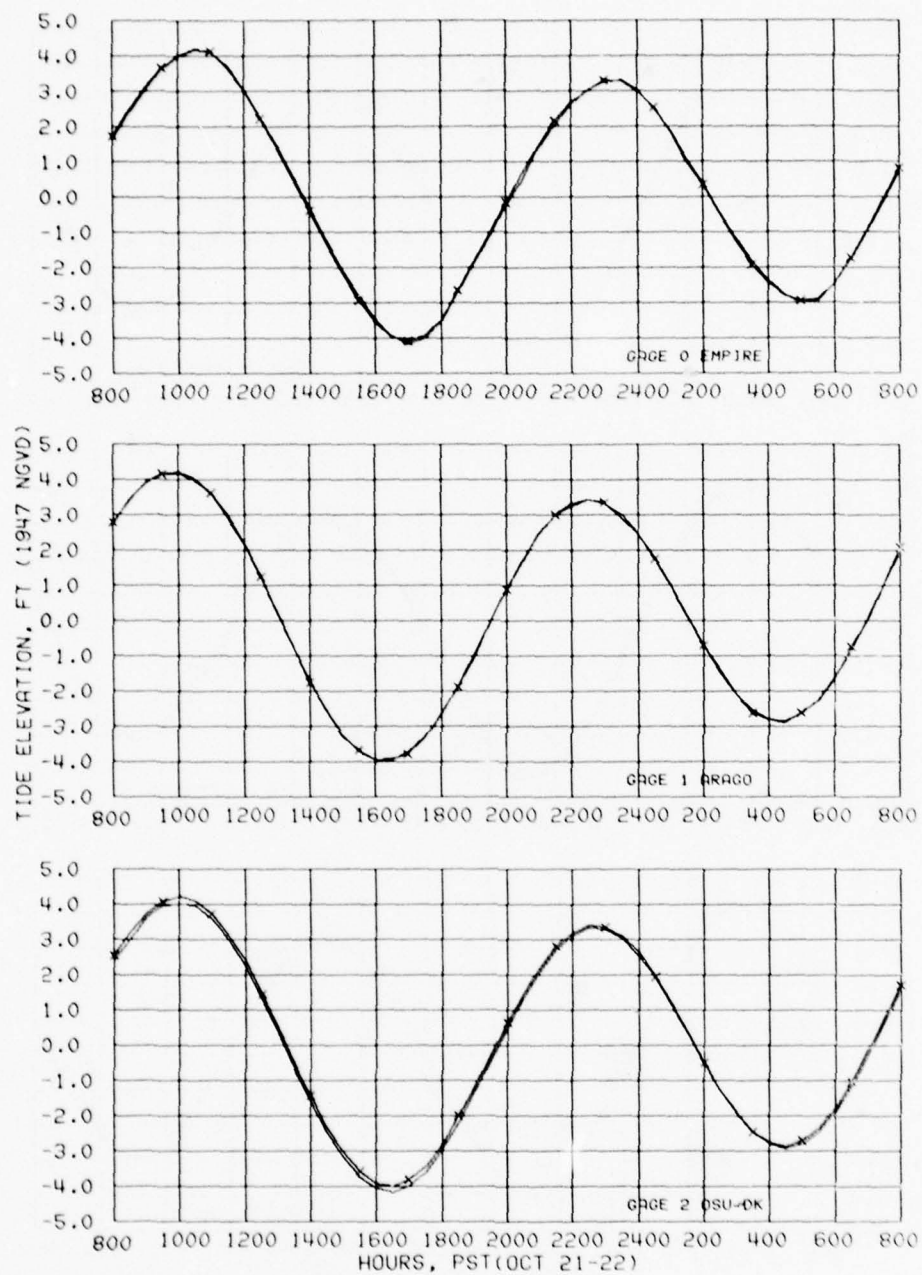
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Table 1

Summary of Refraction and Shoaling Analysis at the
Entrance of Coos Bay Harbor, Oregon

Deepwater Direction	Wave Period sec	Shallow-Water Azimuth deg	Refraction Coefficient	Shoaling Coefficient	Wave-Height Adjustment Factor
SW(225°)	8	268	0.48	0.95	0.46
	10	263	0.30*	1.01	0.30
	12	267	0.26*	1.08	0.28
	14	279	0.58	1.09	0.63
	16	280	0.67	1.11	0.74
	18	278	0.66	1.34	0.88
WSW(247.5°)	8	266	0.38*	0.96	0.37
	10	270	0.58	0.96	0.56
	12	274	0.73	1.08	0.79
	14	278	0.66	1.14	0.75
	16	282	0.61	1.17	0.71
	18	289	0.48	1.17	0.56
WEST(270°)	8	281	0.86	0.97	0.83
	10	288	0.62	0.98	0.61
	12	291	0.68	1.02	0.69
	14	295	0.46	1.10	0.51
	16	297	0.41	1.11	0.46
	18	299	0.80	1.22	0.98
WNW(292.5°)	8	302	0.71	0.93	0.66
	10	303	0.62	0.97	0.60
	12	300	1.01	1.03	1.04
	14	301	0.77	1.08	0.83
	16	305	0.92	1.11	1.02
	18	307	1.10	1.16	1.28
NW(315°)	8	315	0.84	0.95	0.80
	10	313	0.70	1.00	0.70
	12	315	0.76	1.03	0.72
	14	316	0.58	1.05	0.61
	16	317	0.72	1.18	0.85
	18	317	0.52	1.19	0.62
NNW(337.5°)	8	323	0.97	0.94	0.91
	10	327	0.81	1.00	0.81
	12	322	0.71	1.01	0.72
	14	318	0.62	1.10	0.68
	16	320	0.56	1.13	0.63
	18	319	0.61	1.20	0.73

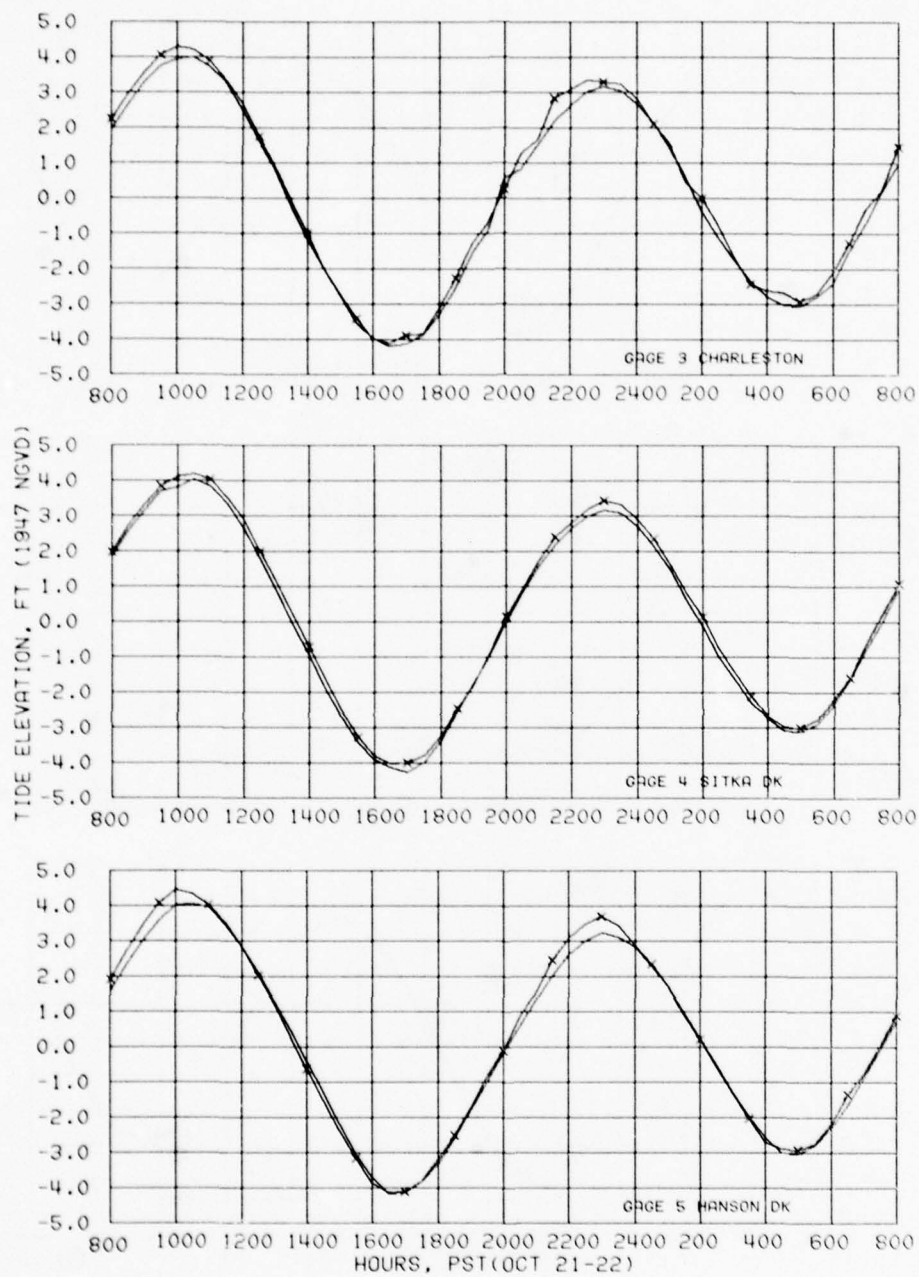
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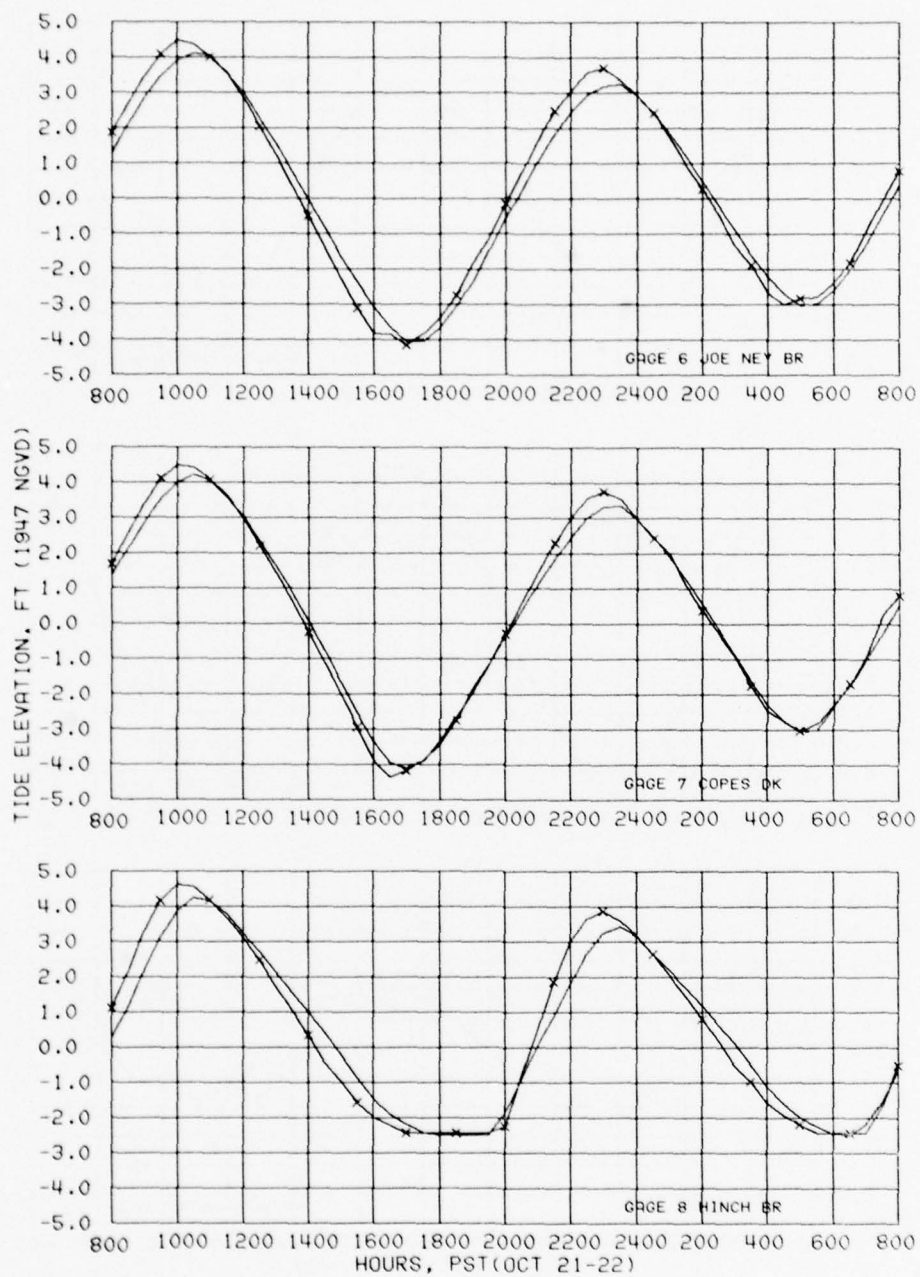
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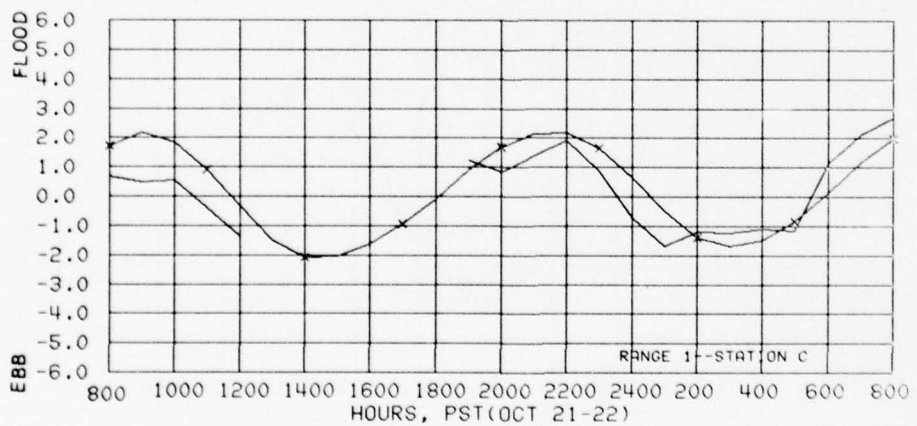
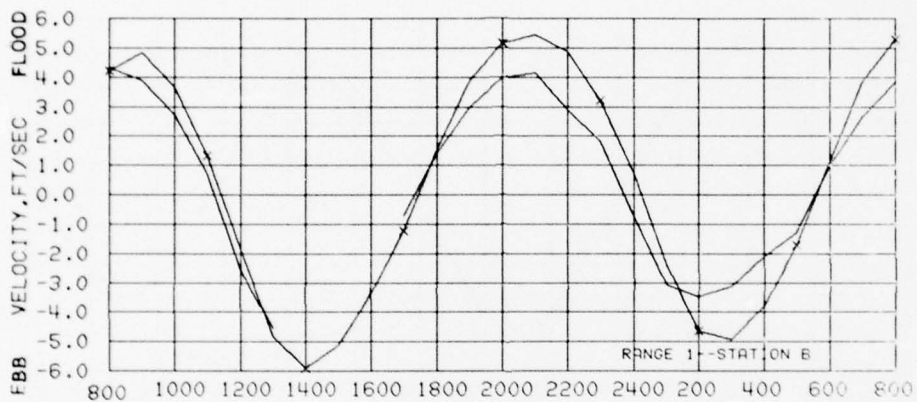
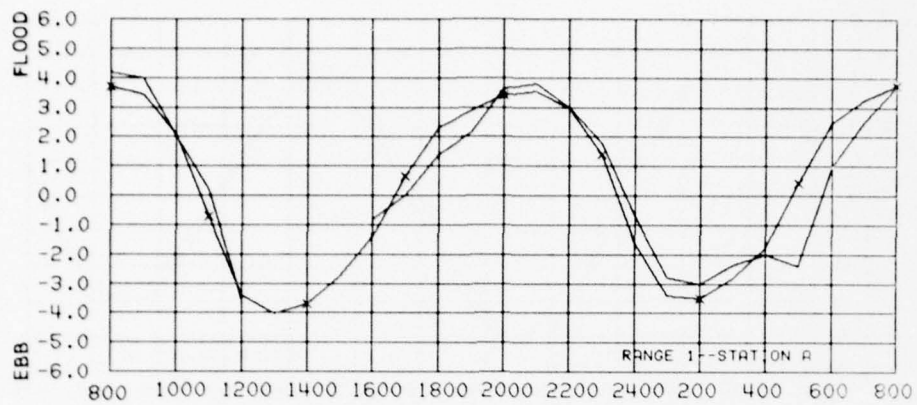
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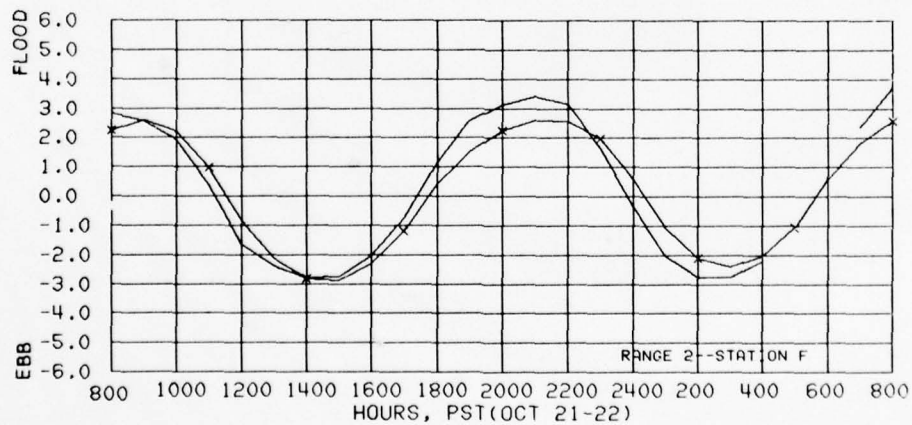
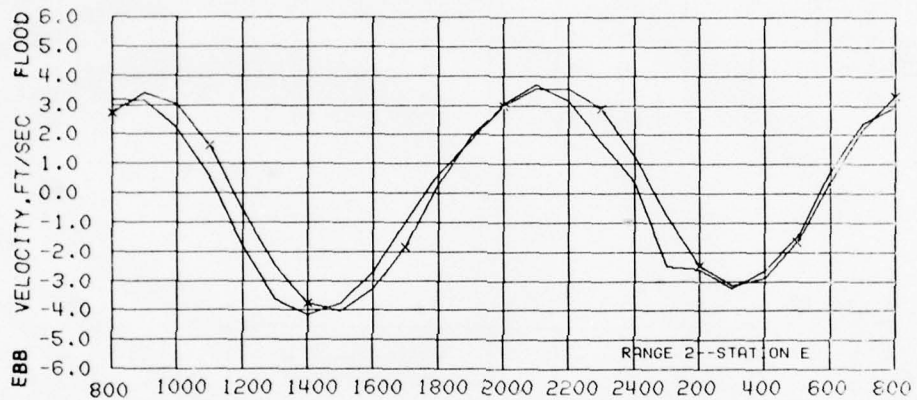
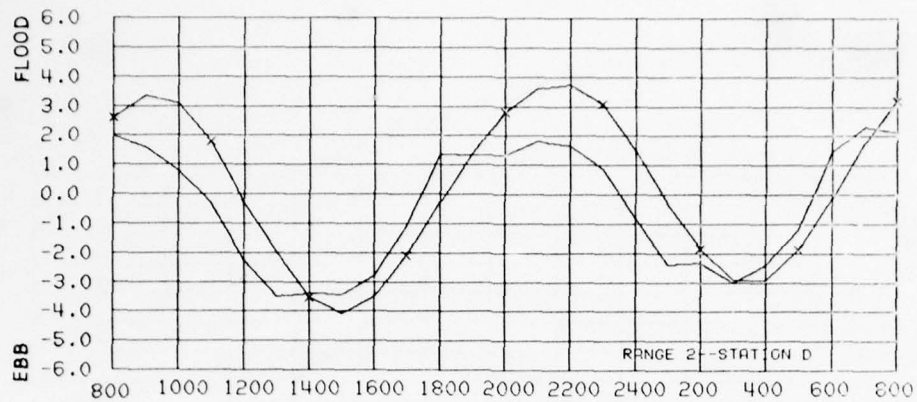
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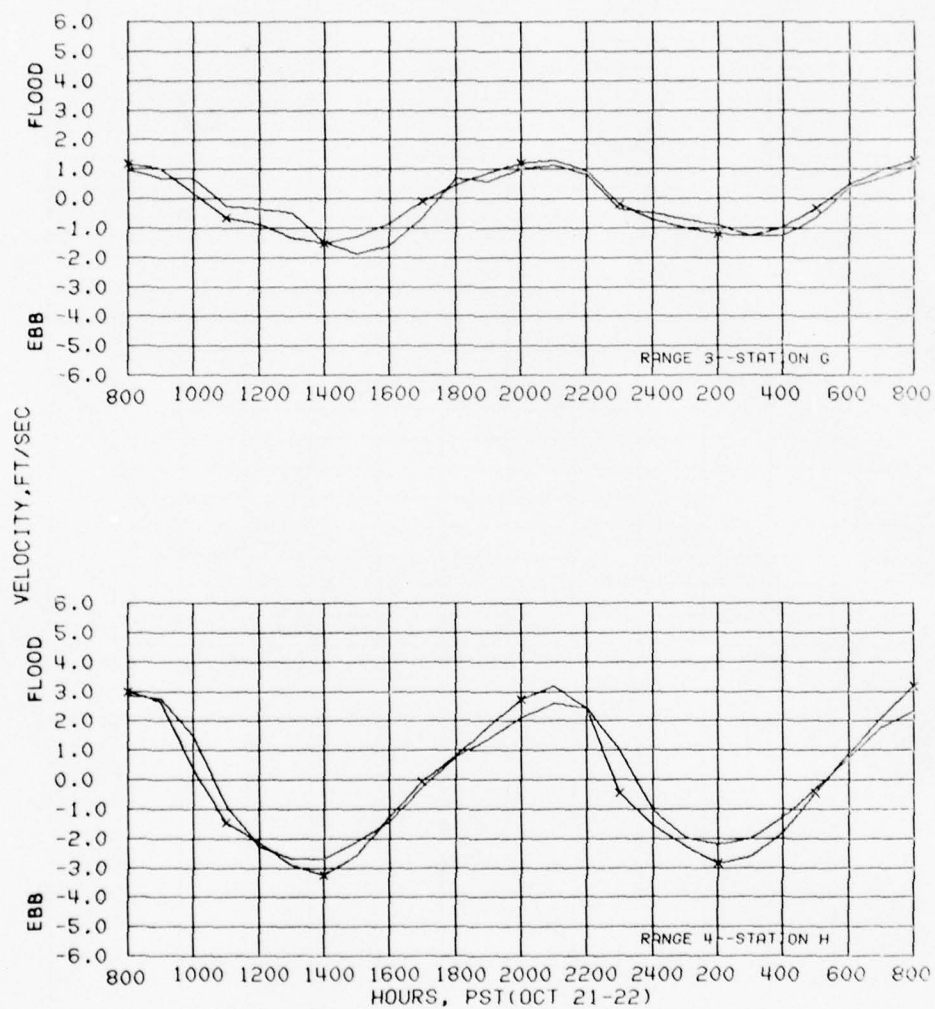
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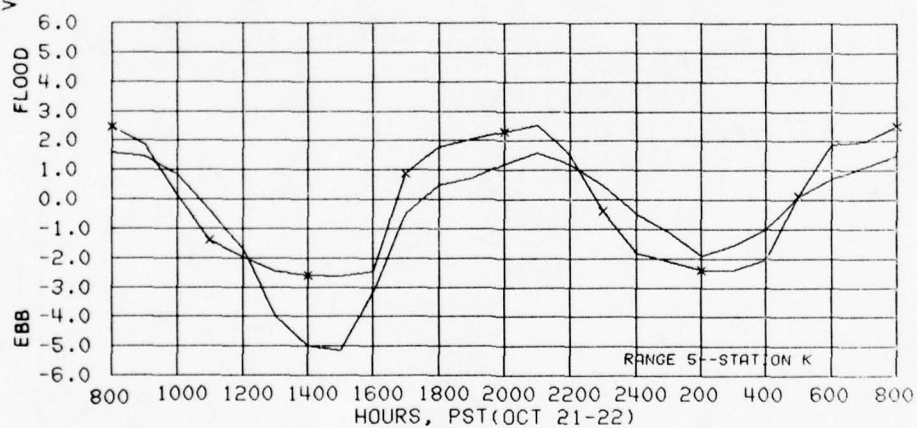
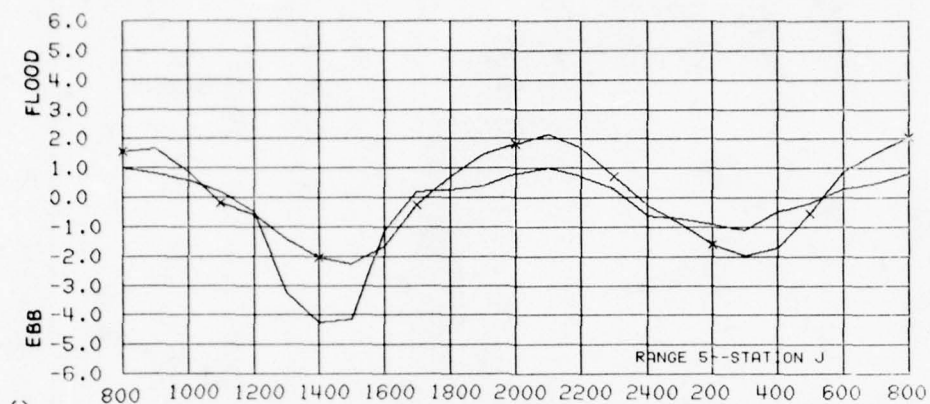
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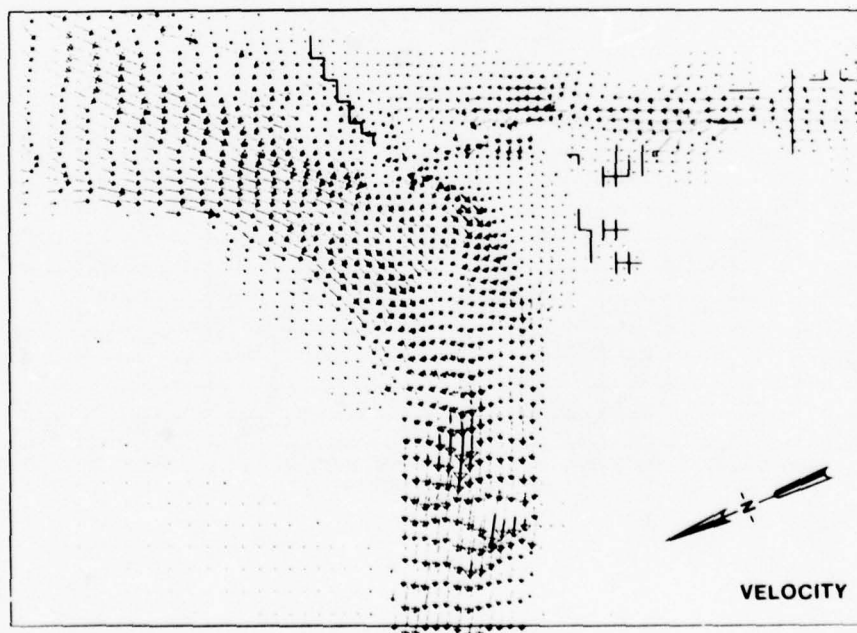
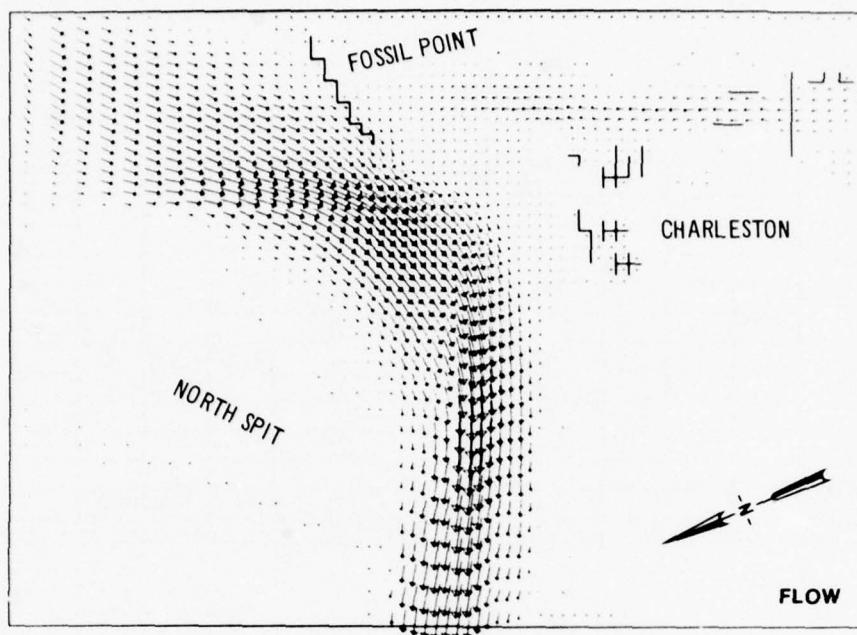
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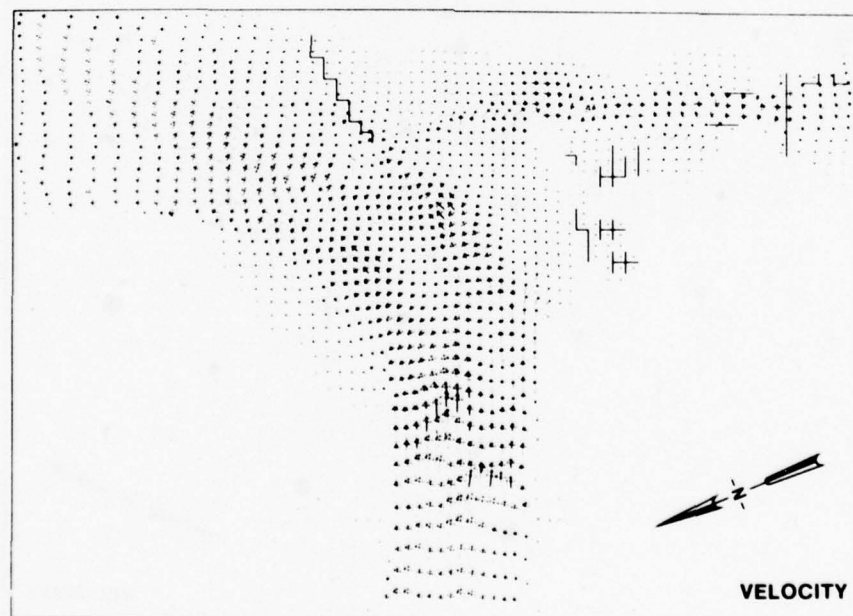
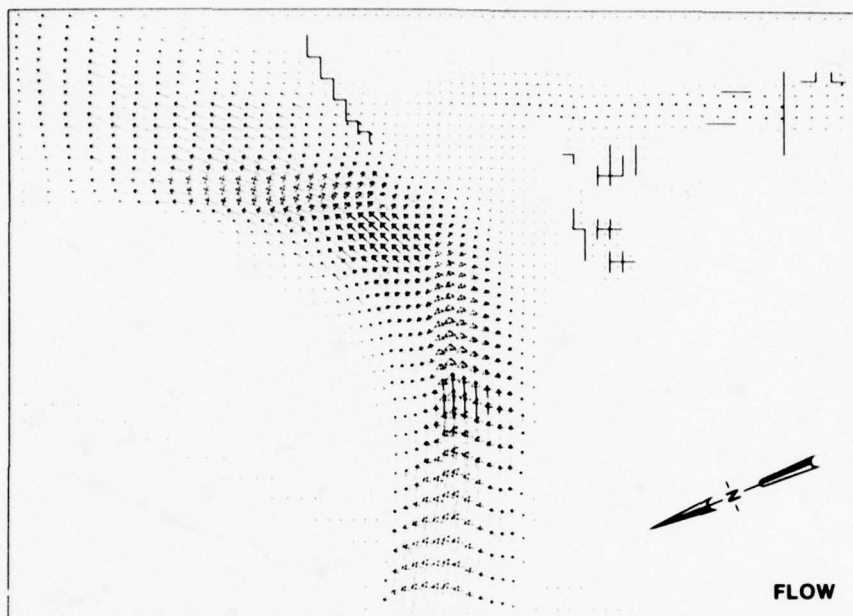
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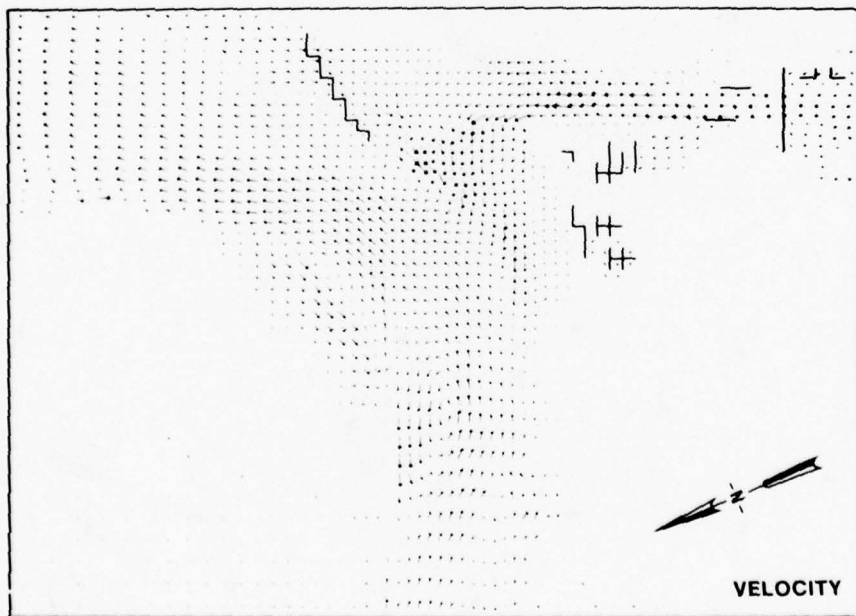
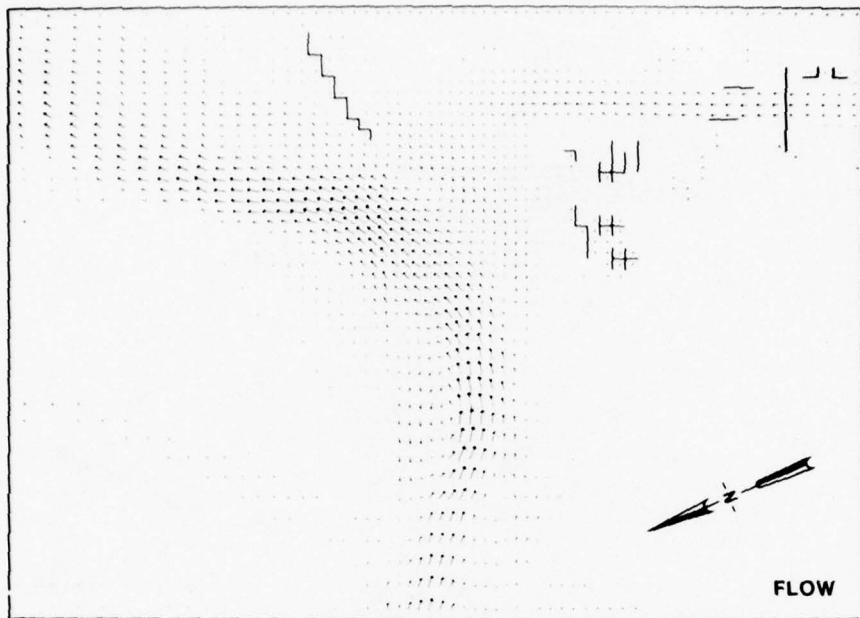
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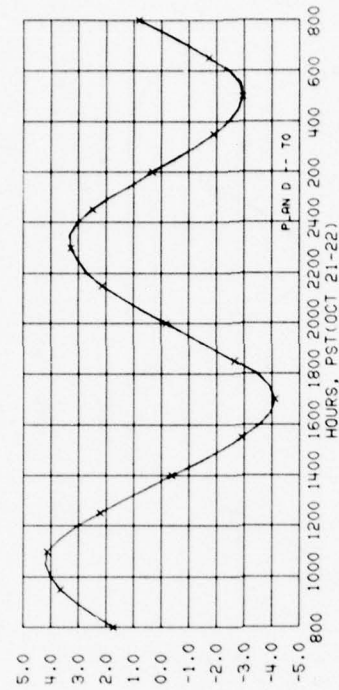
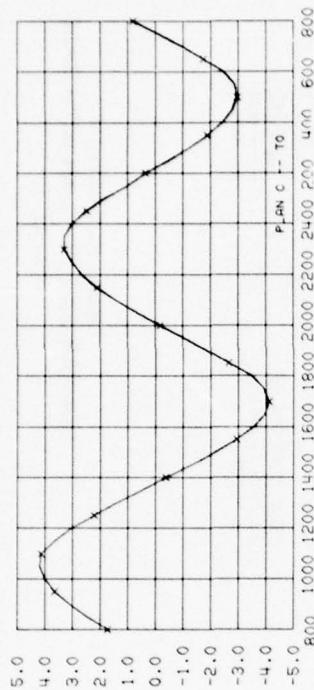
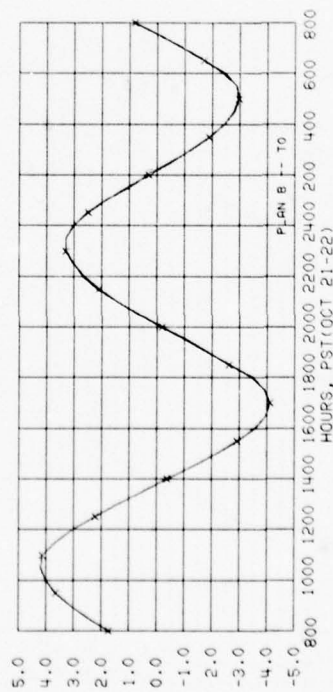
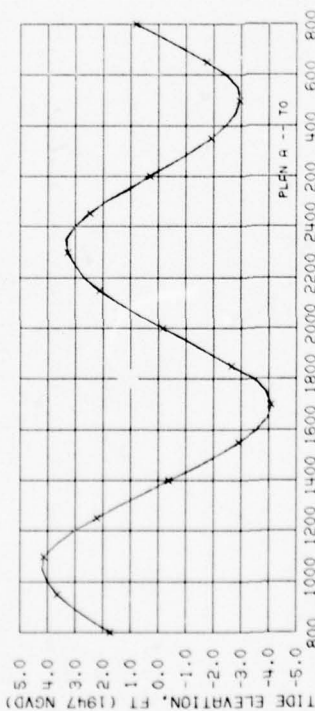
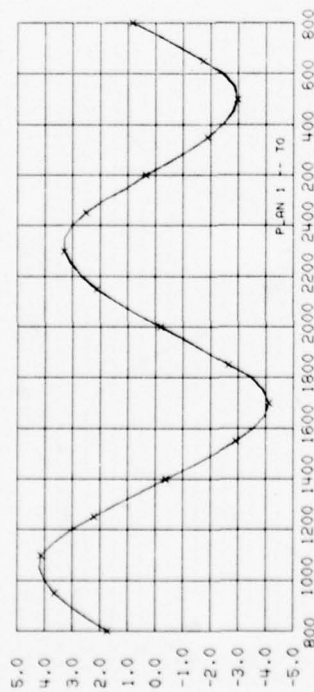
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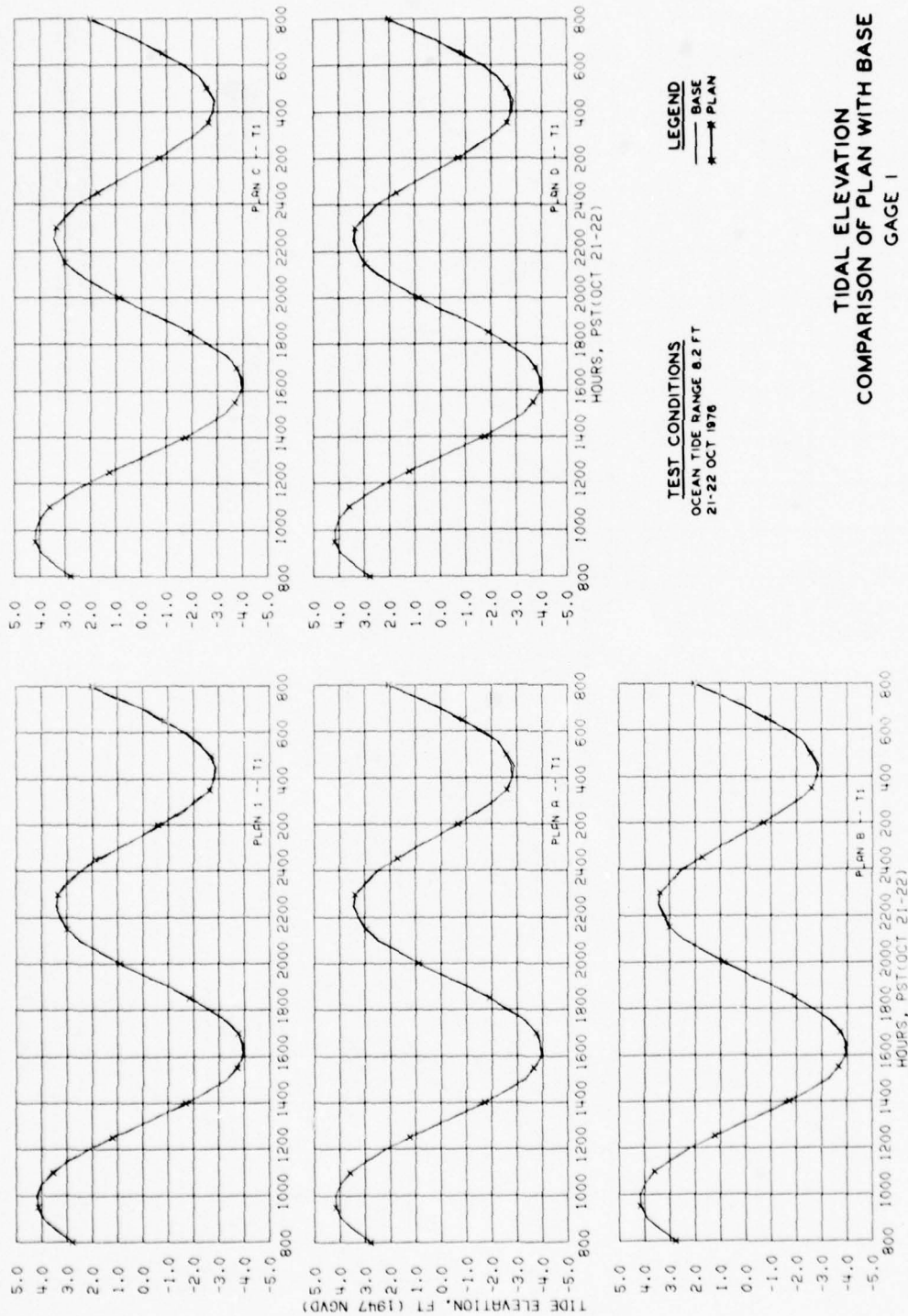
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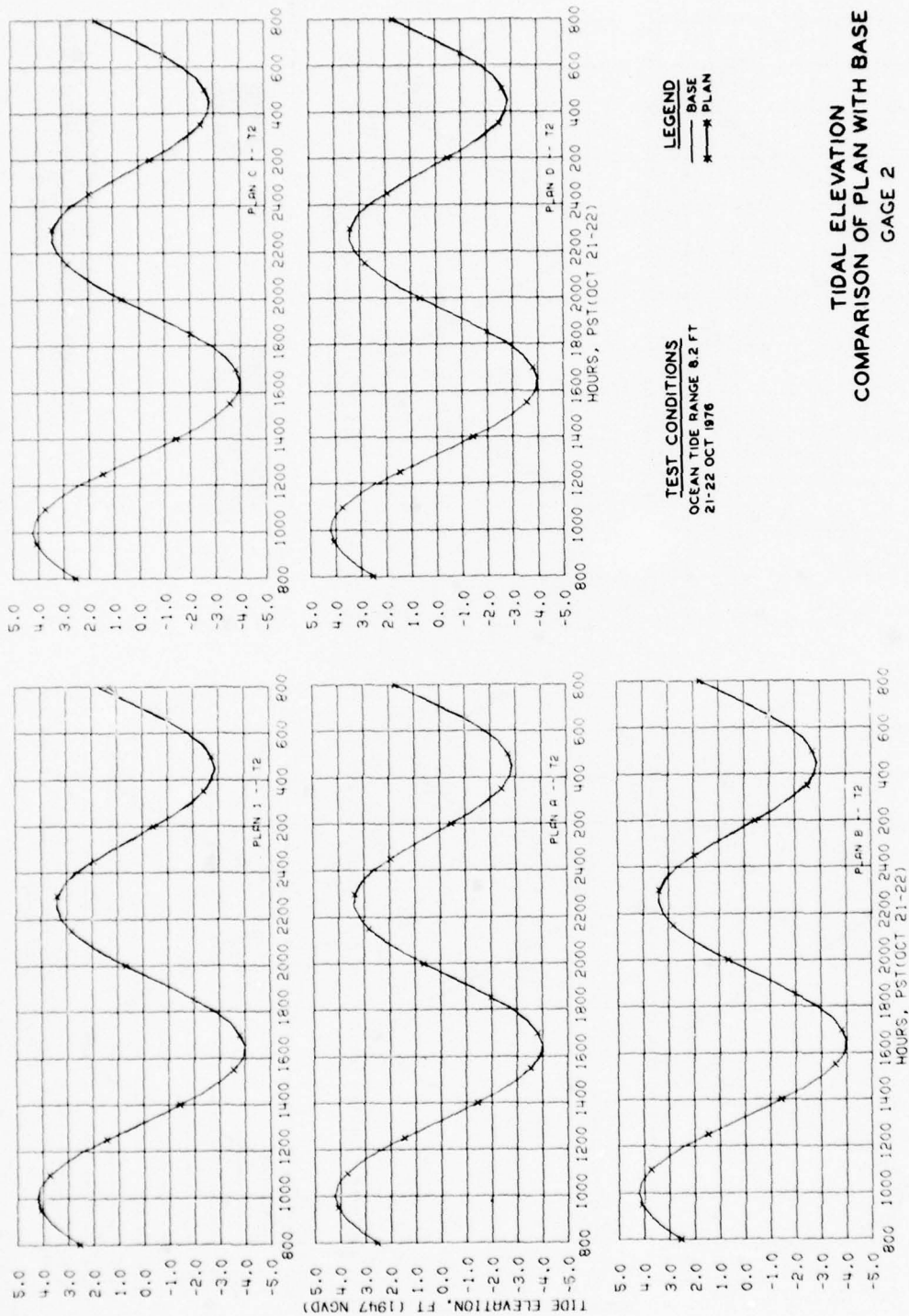


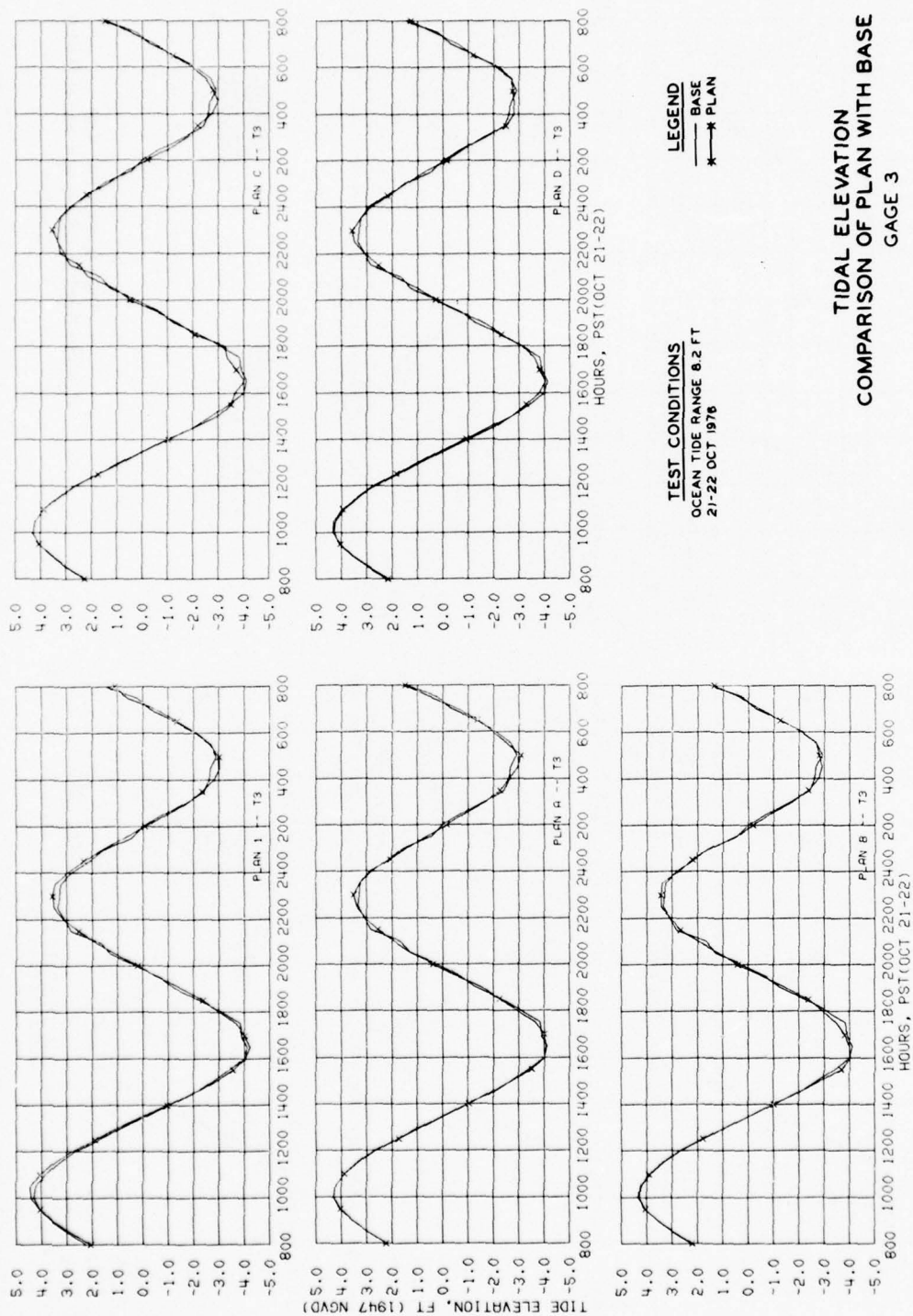
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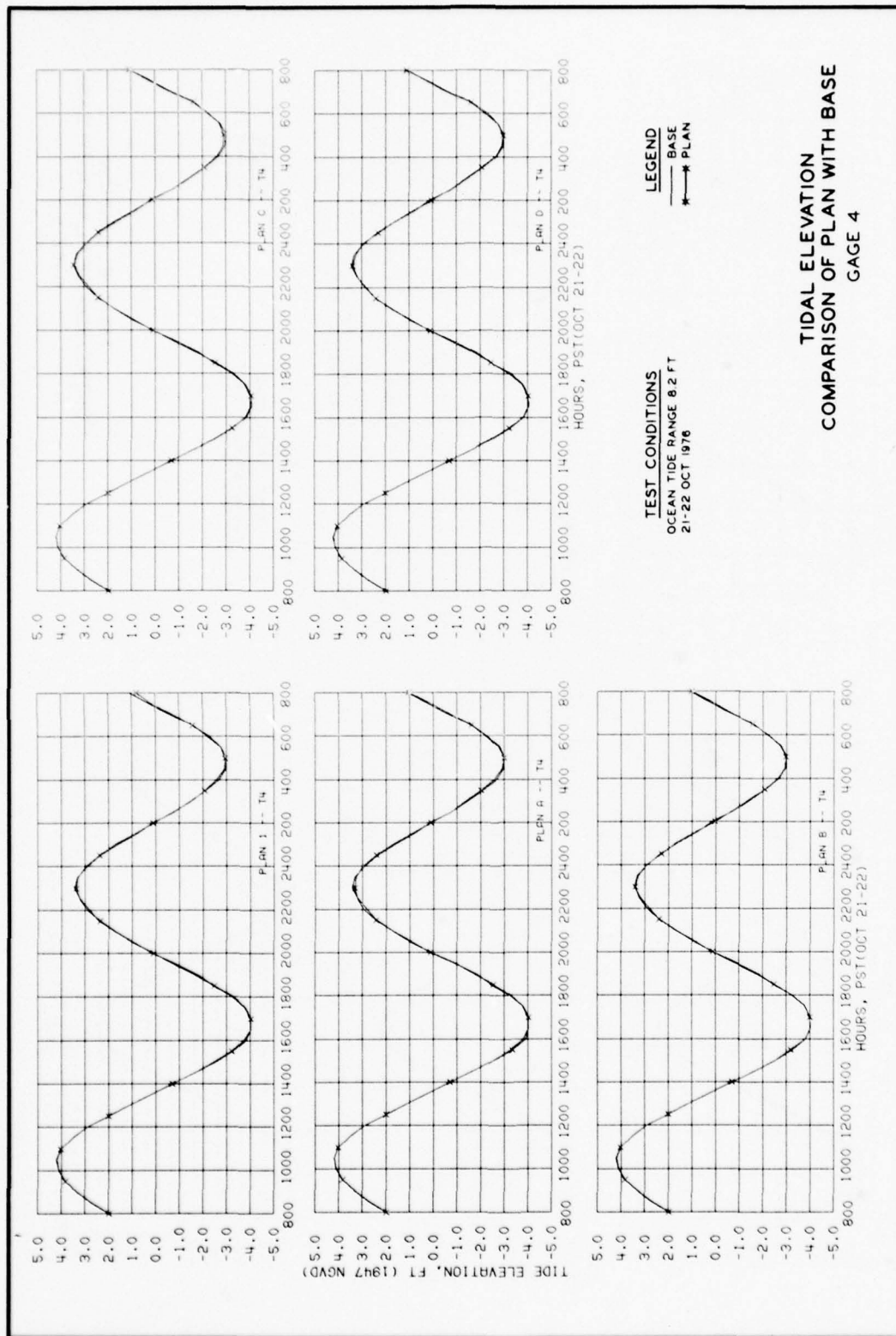
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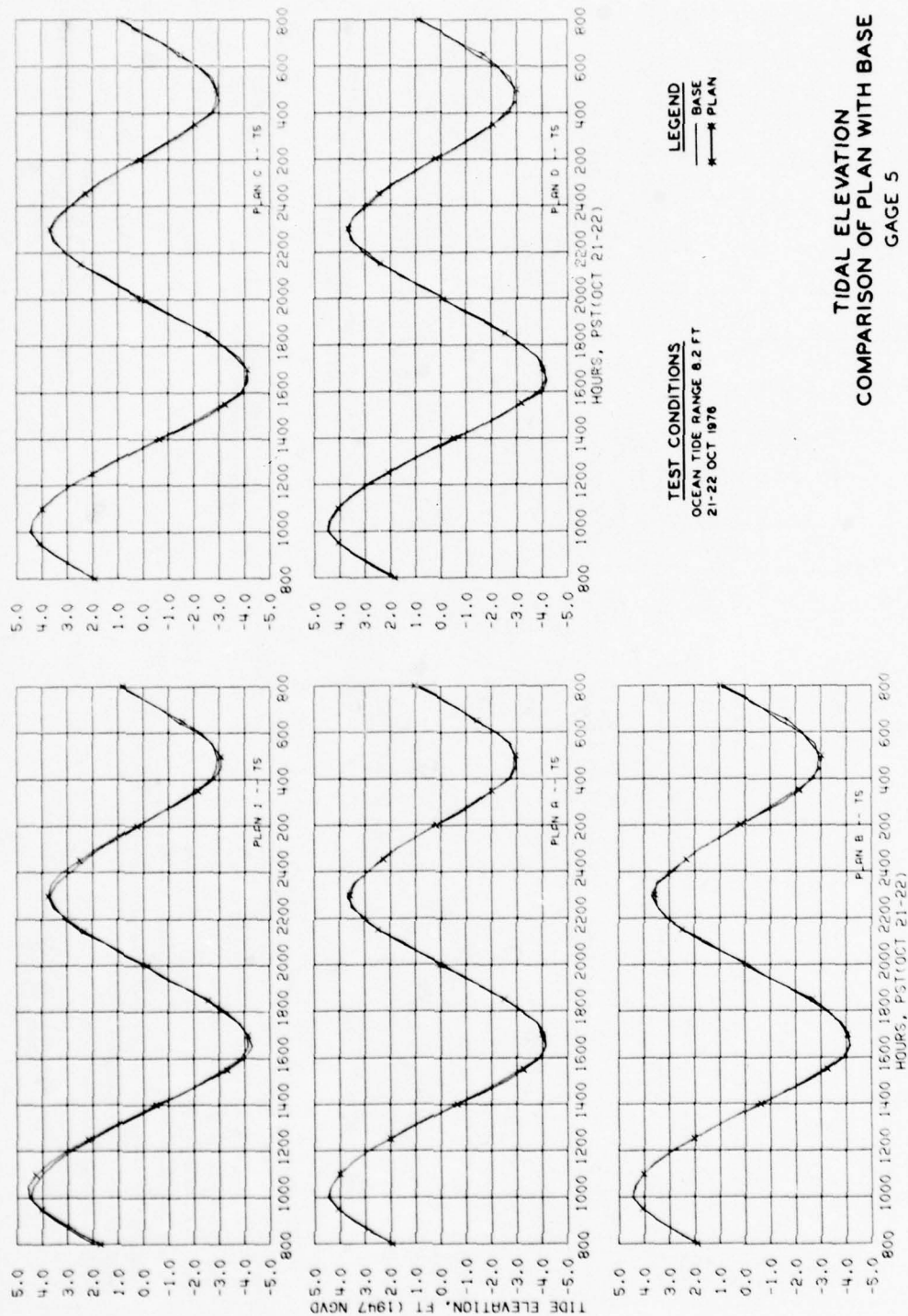
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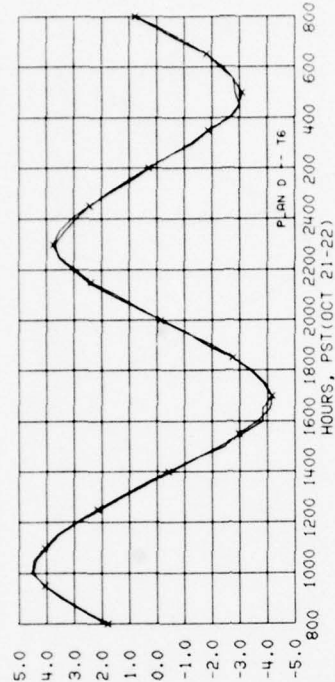
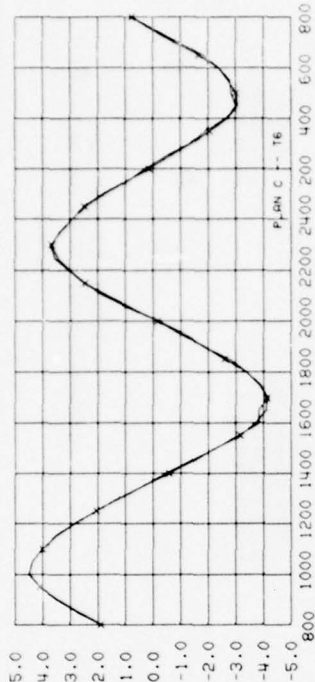
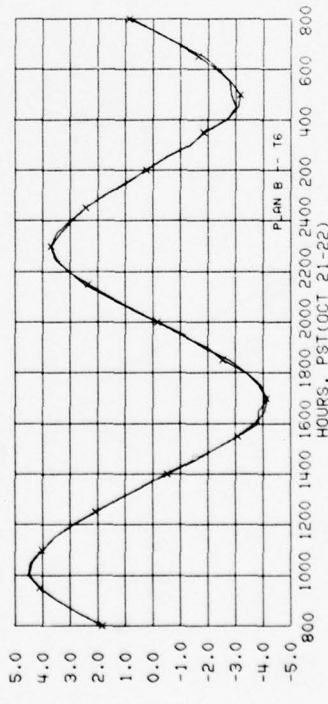
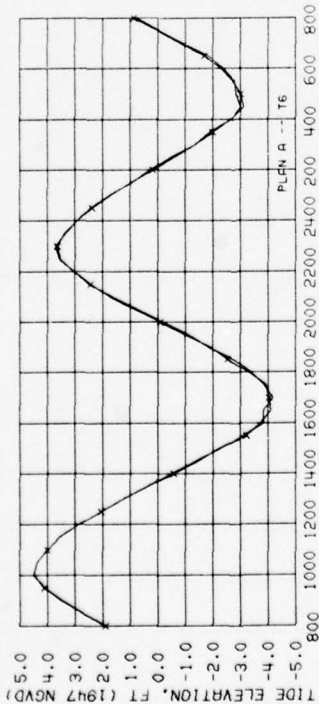
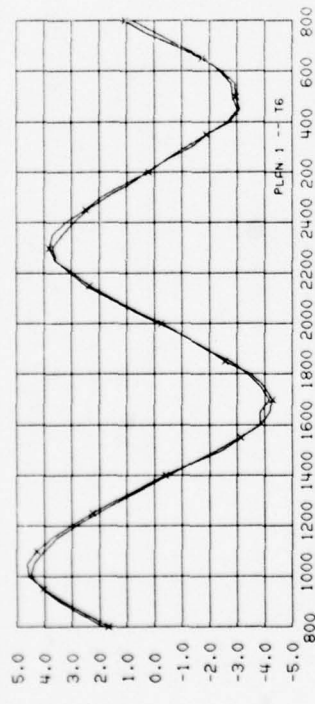








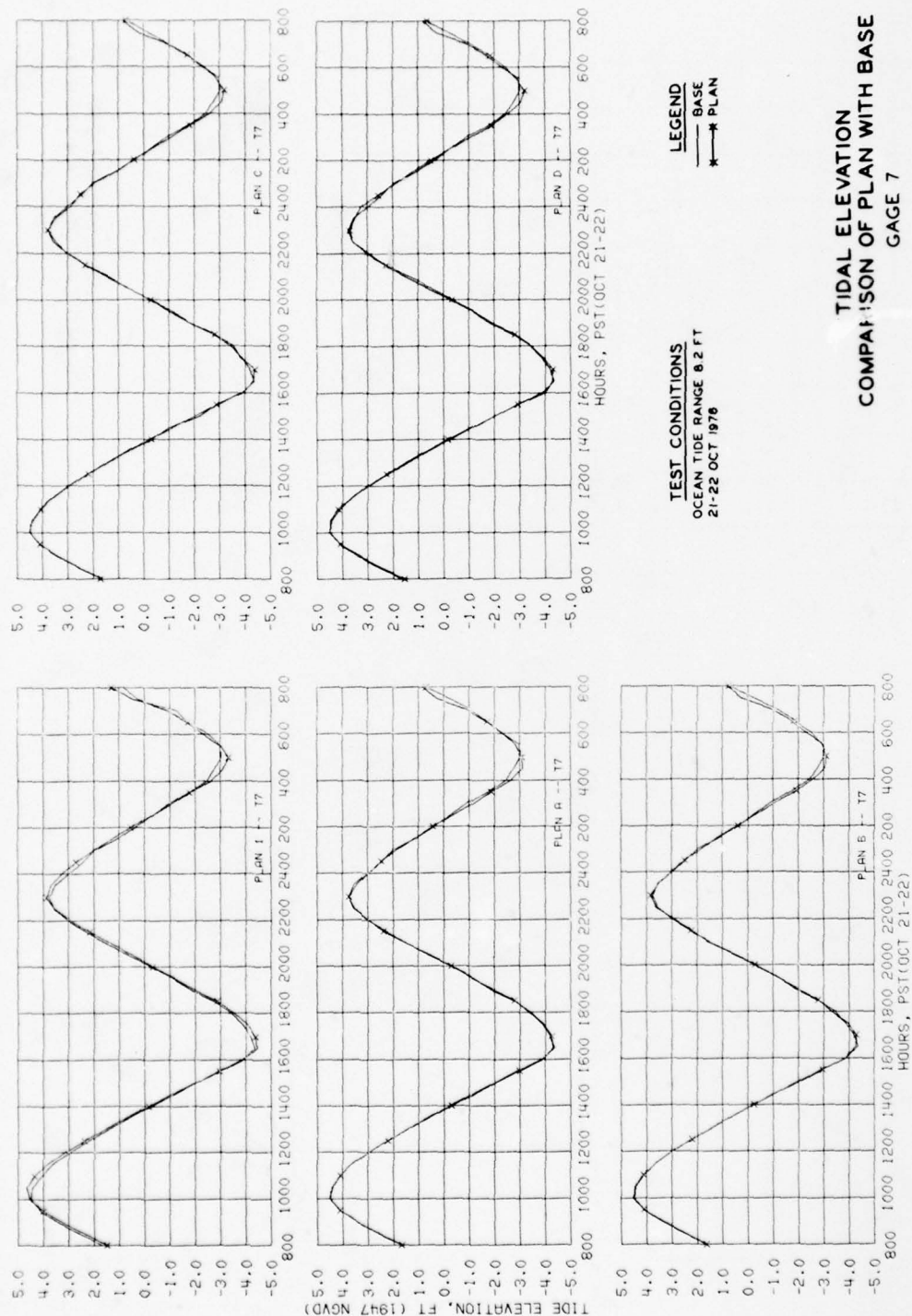


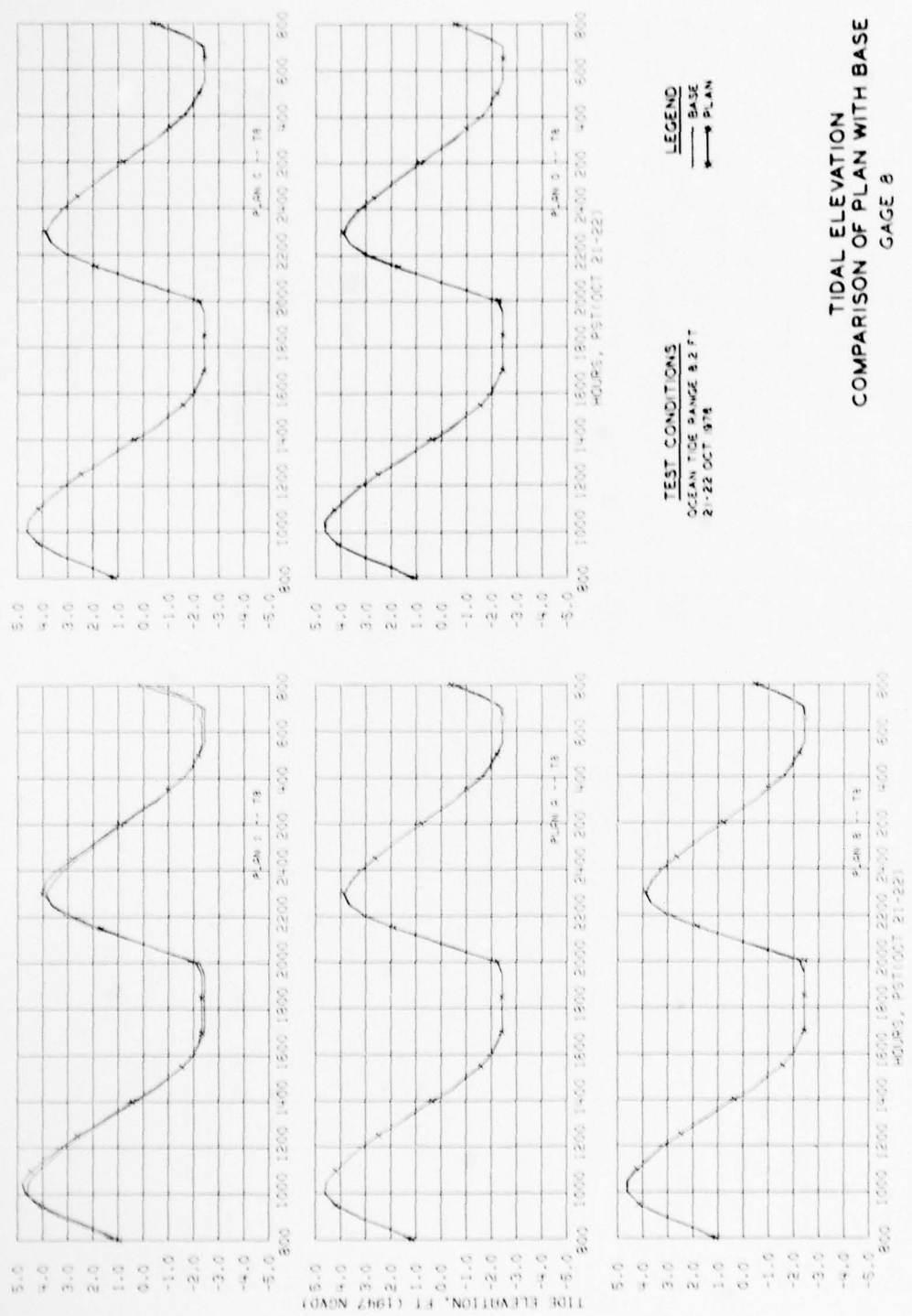


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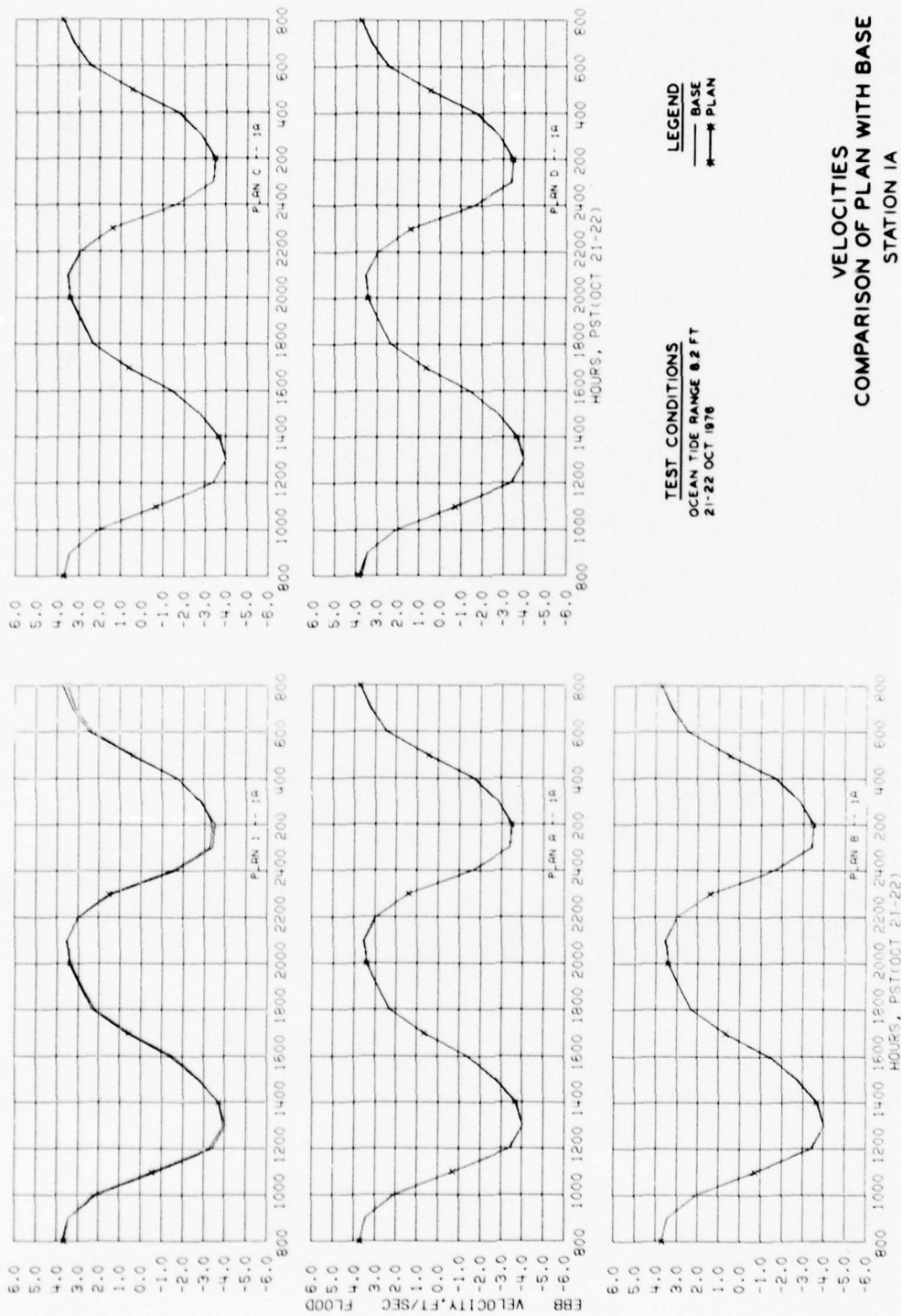
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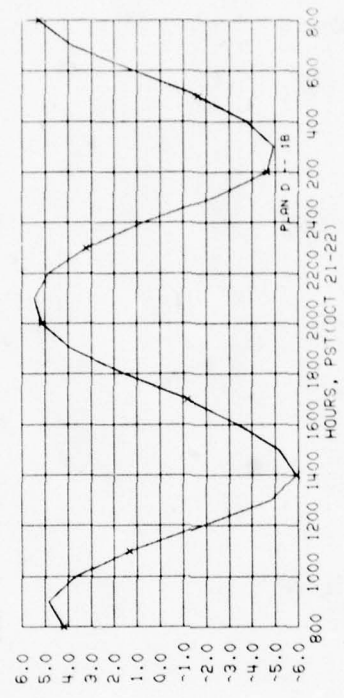
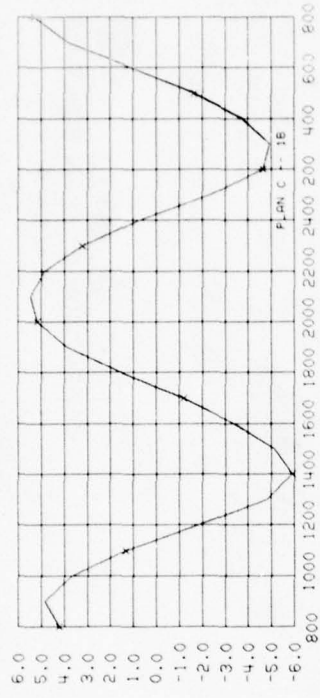
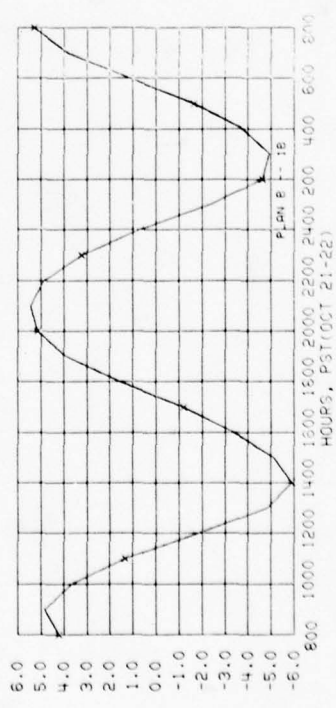
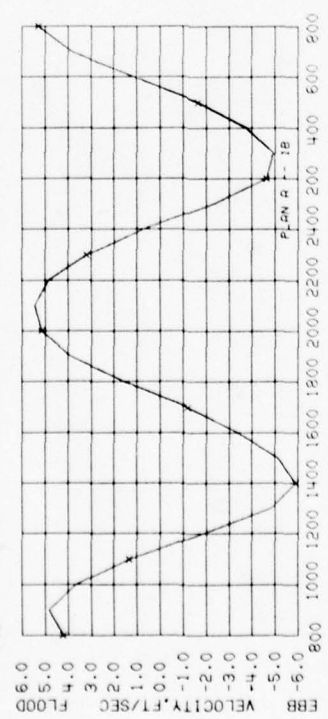
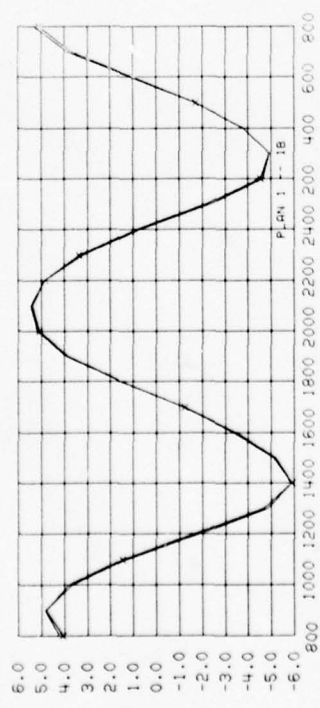
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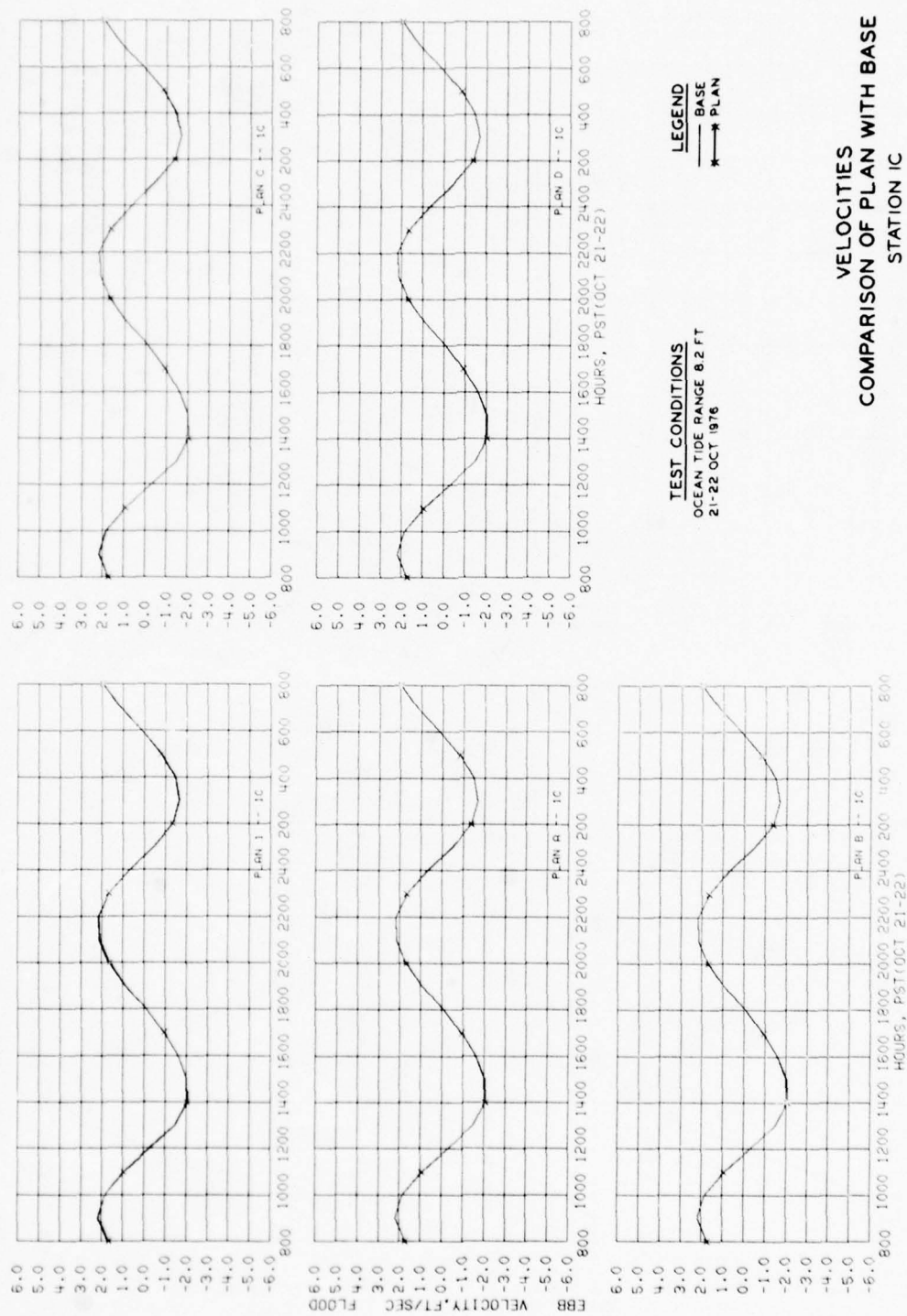


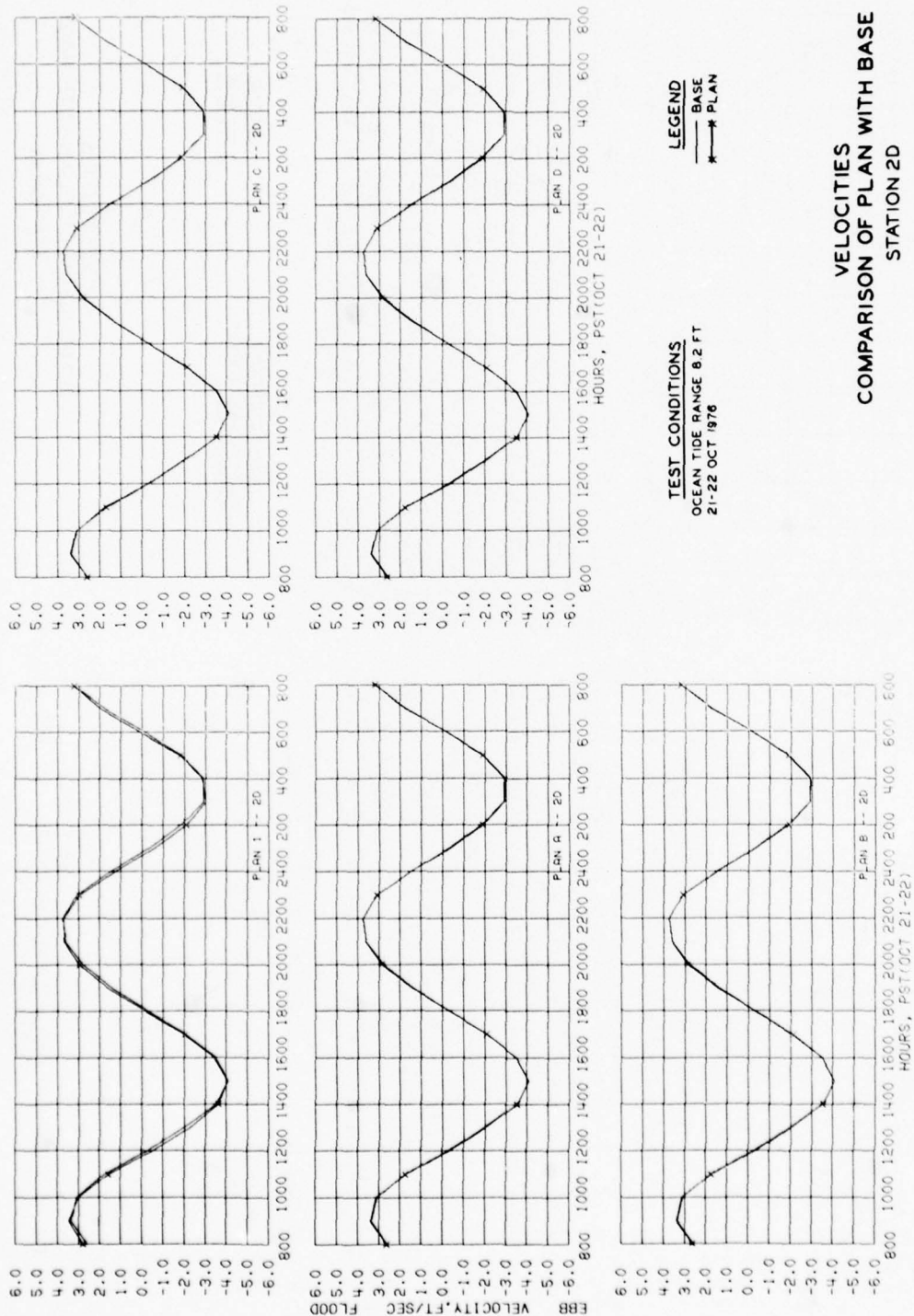


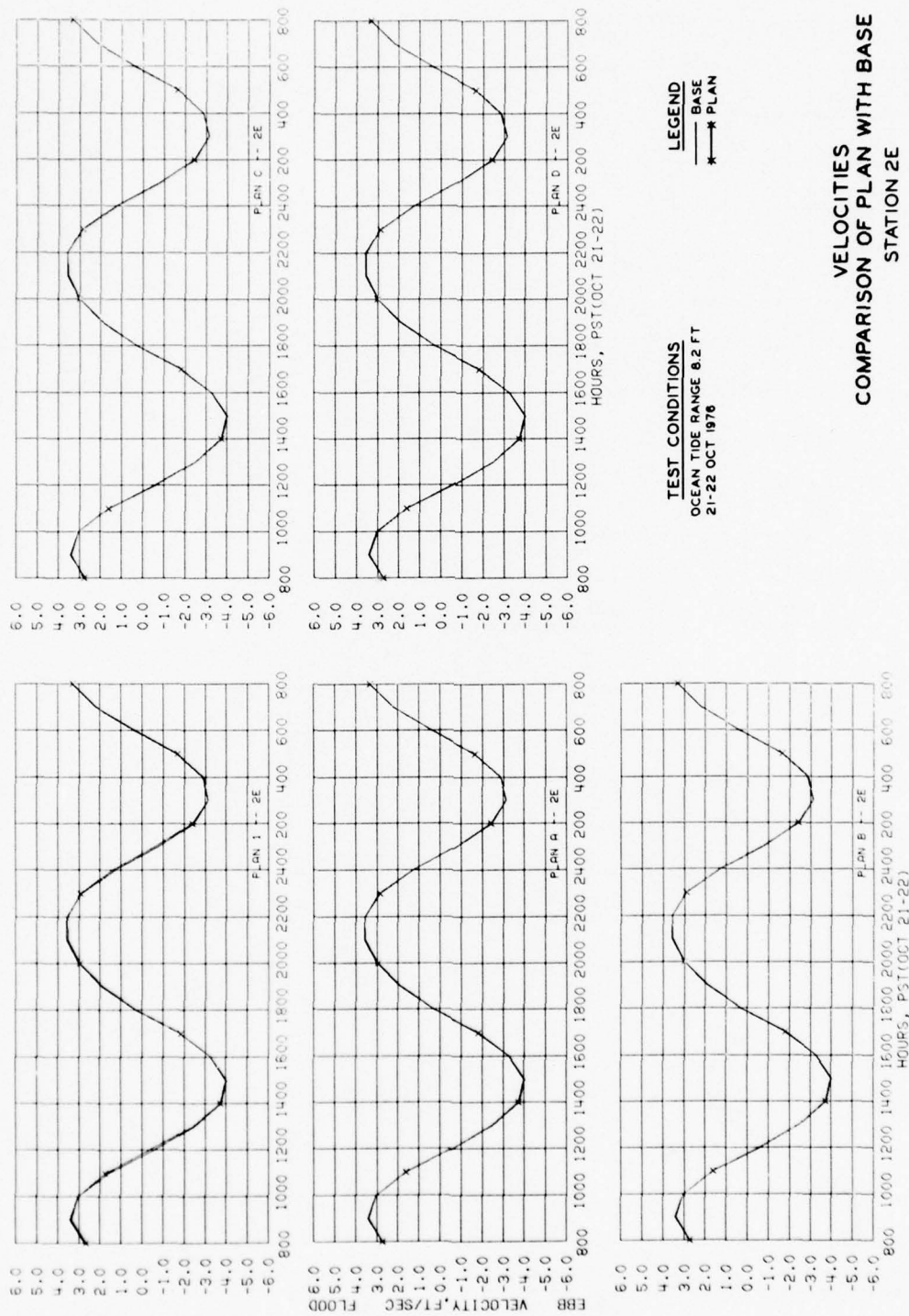
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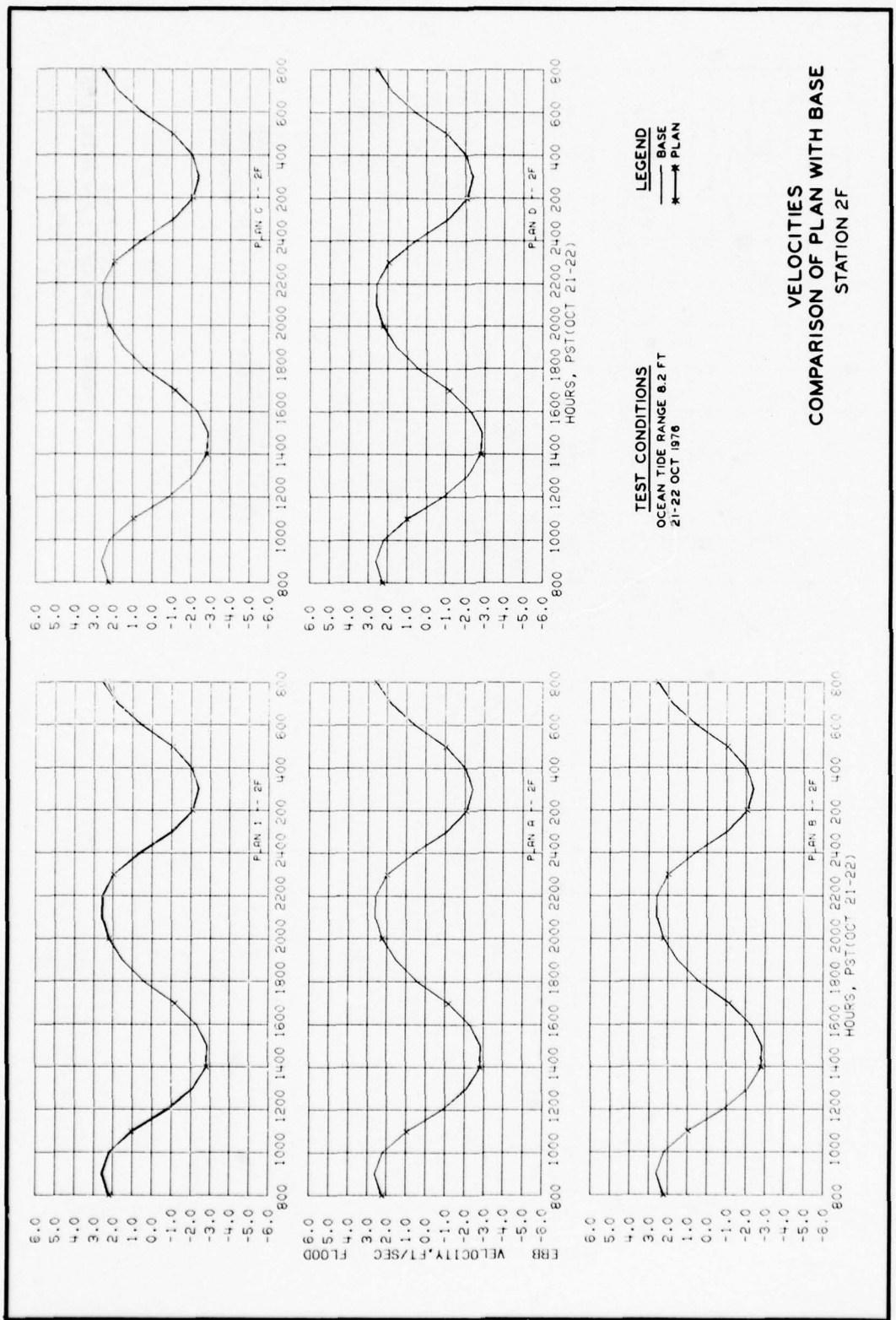
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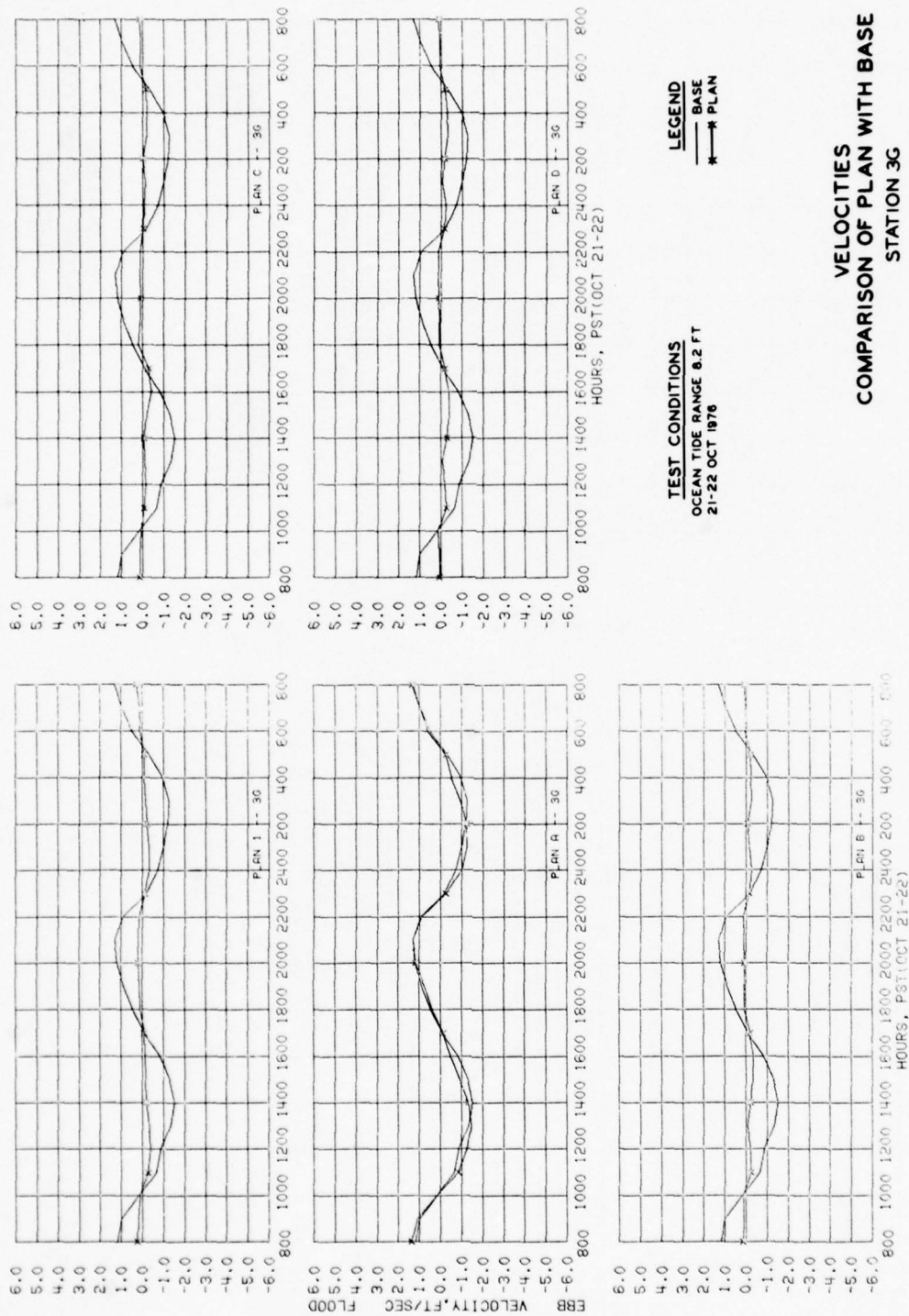
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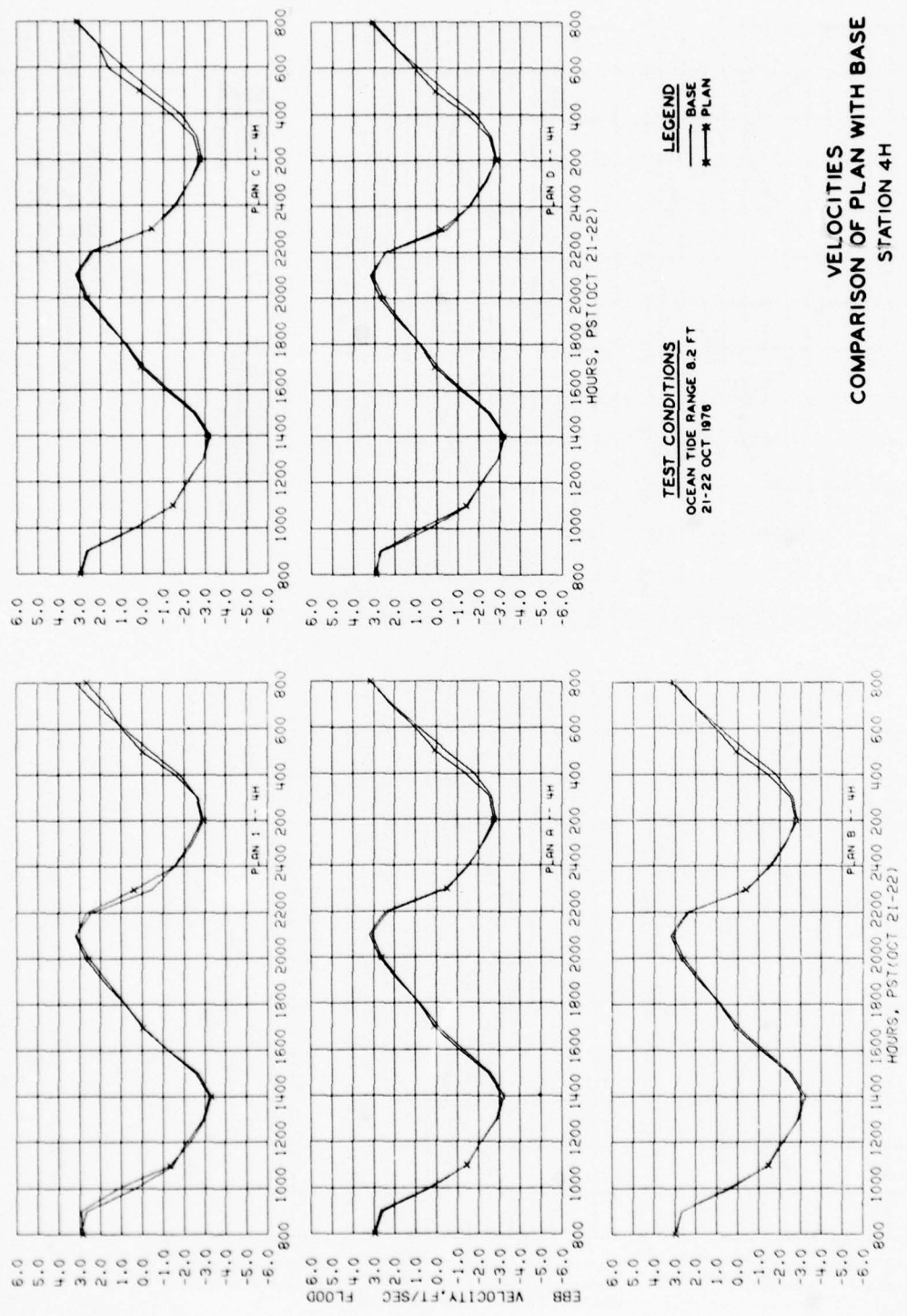


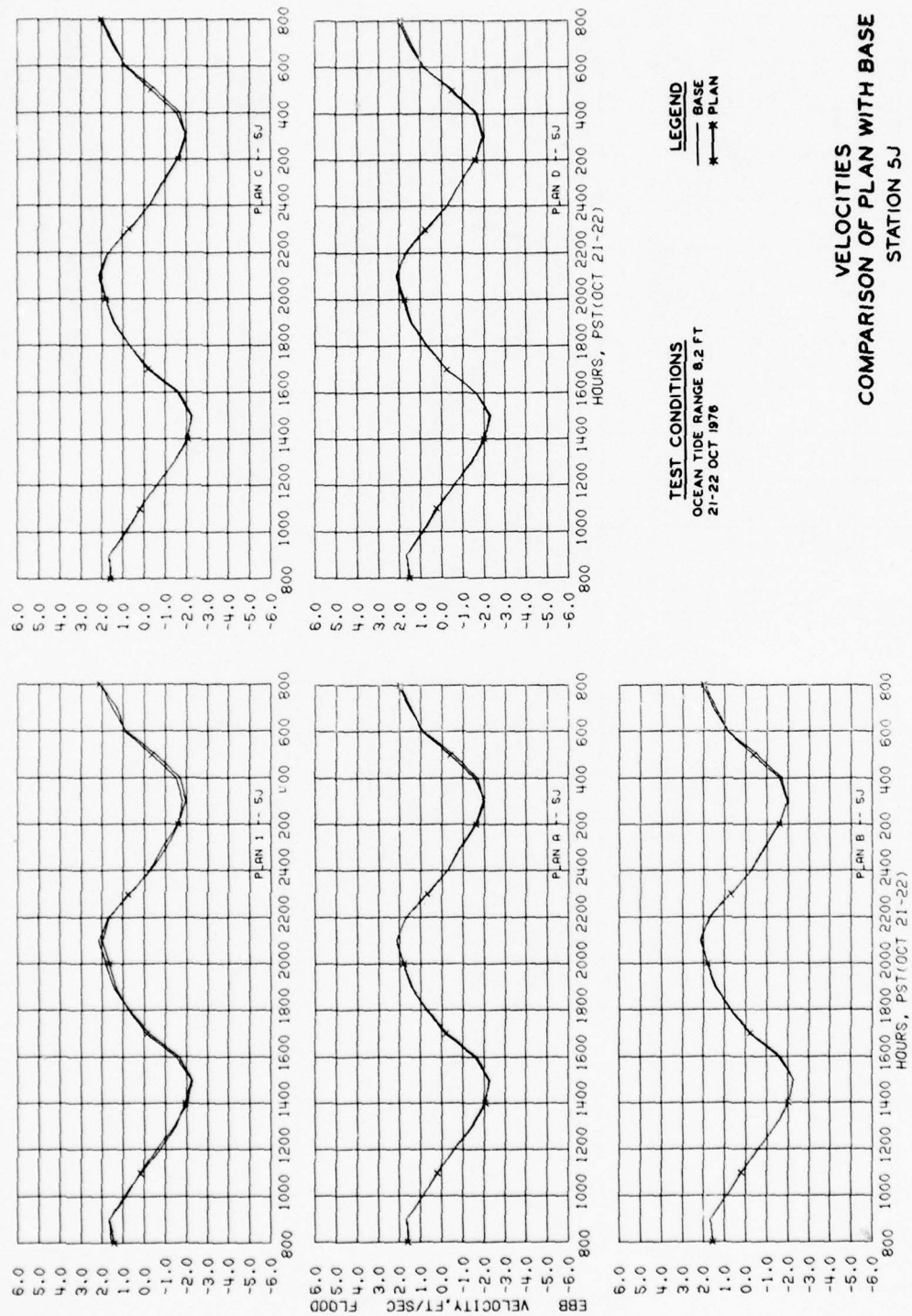


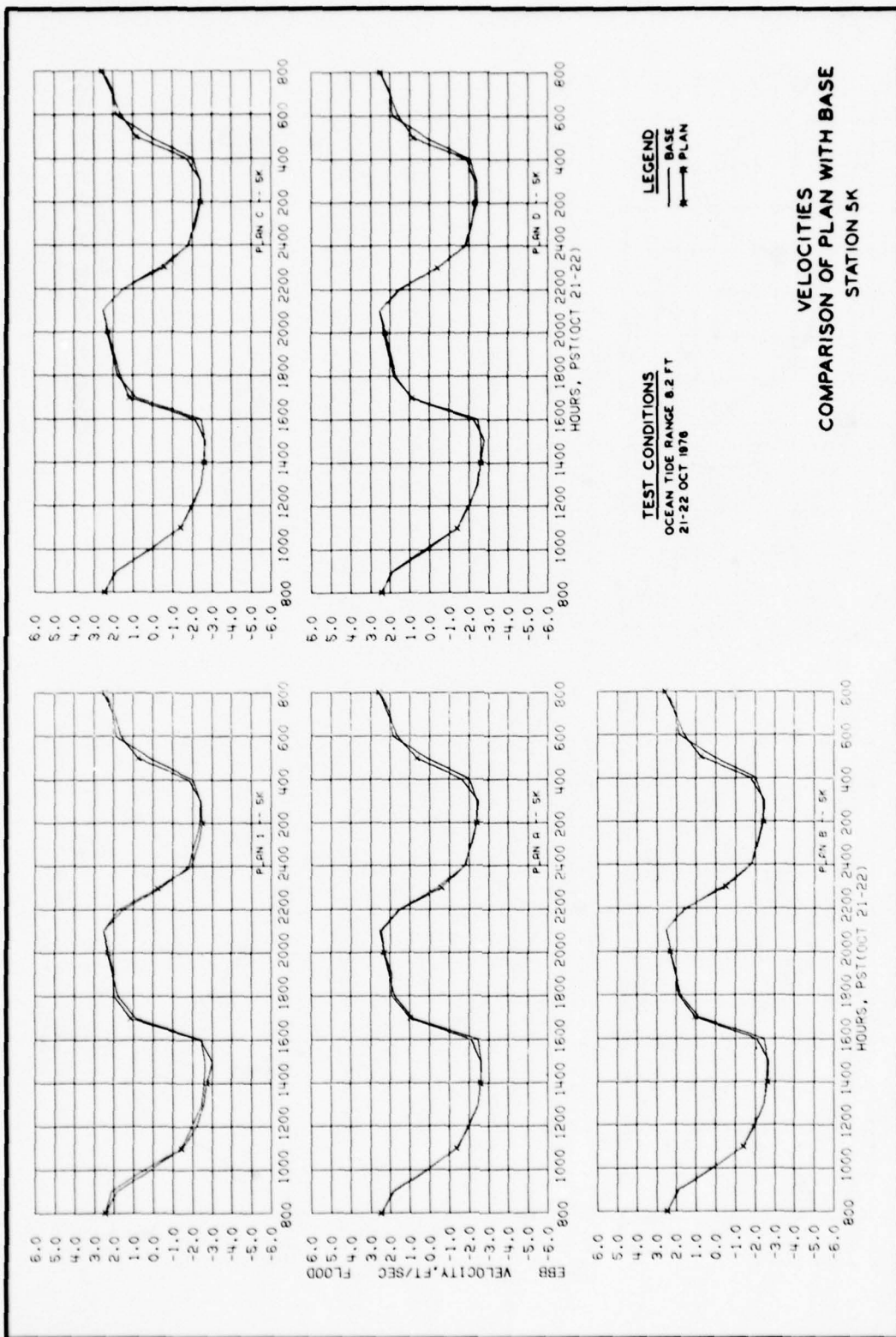


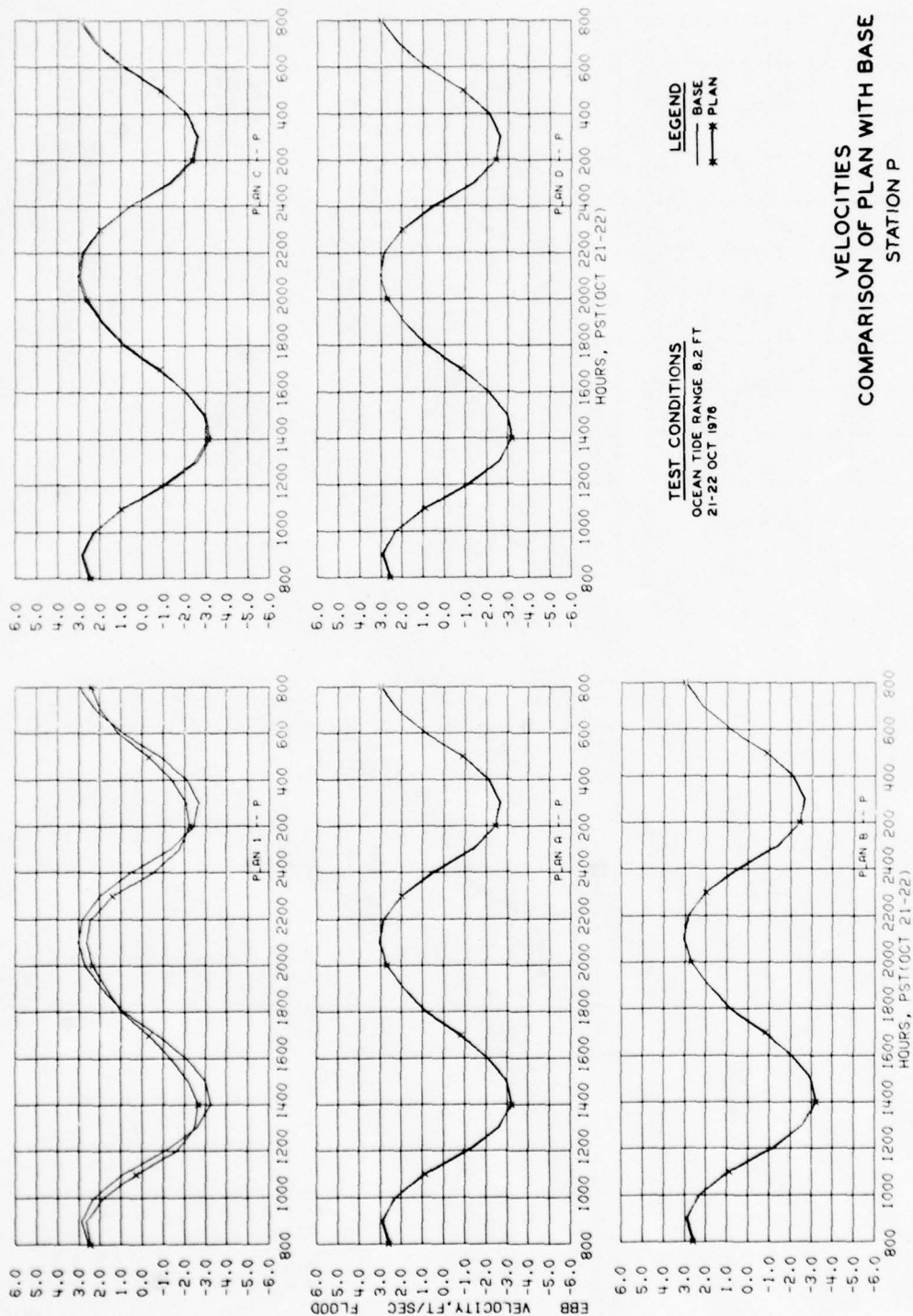


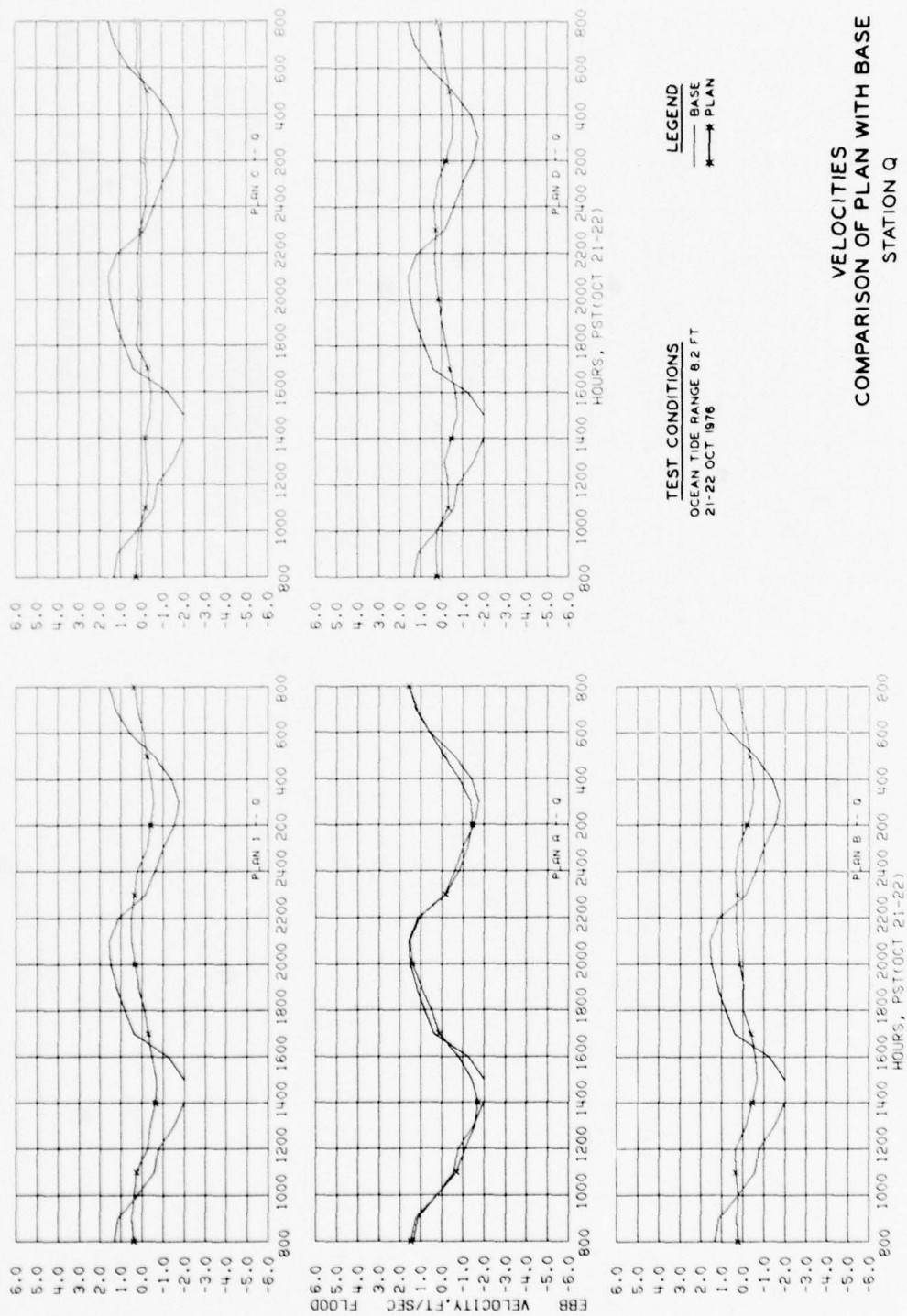


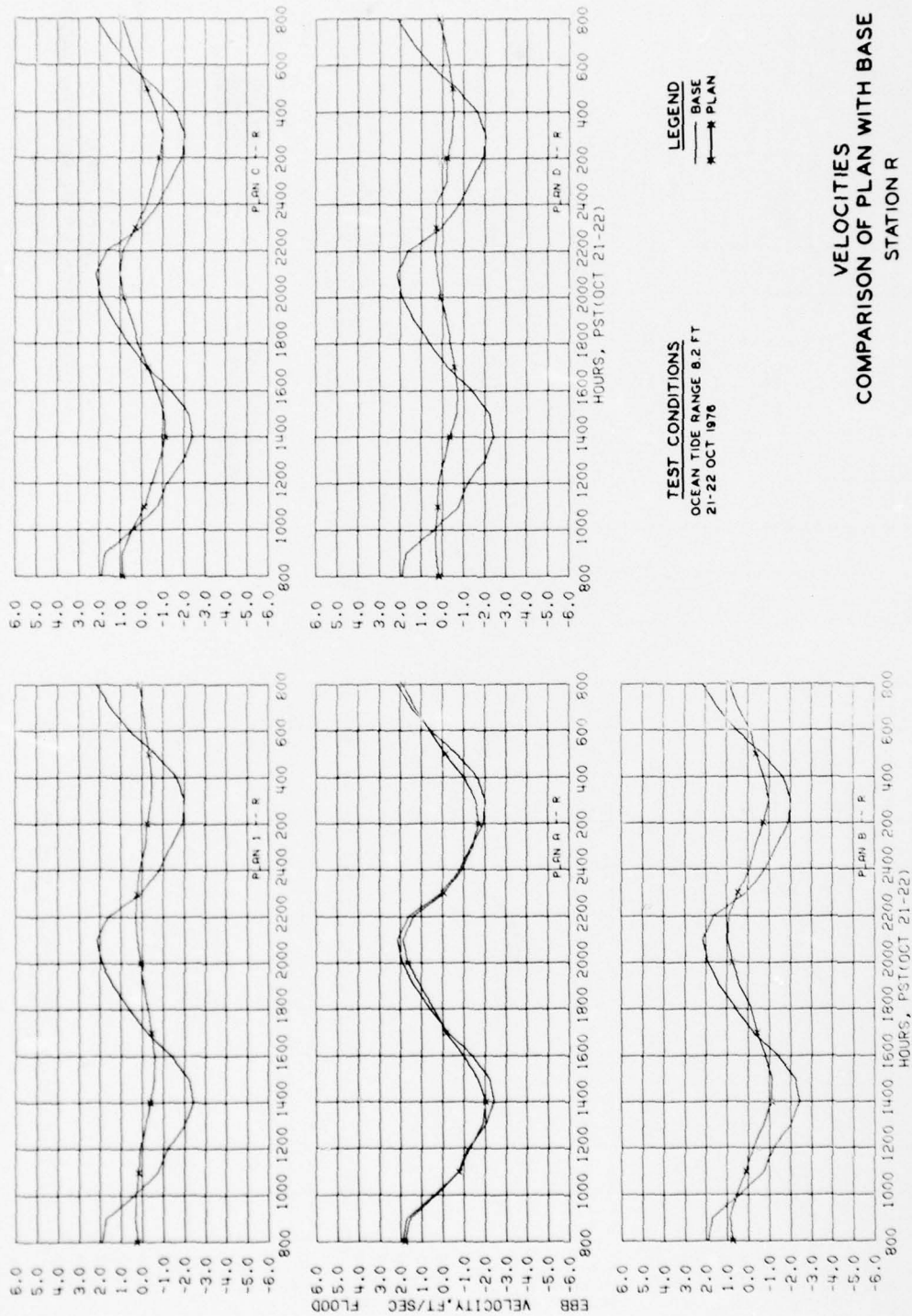


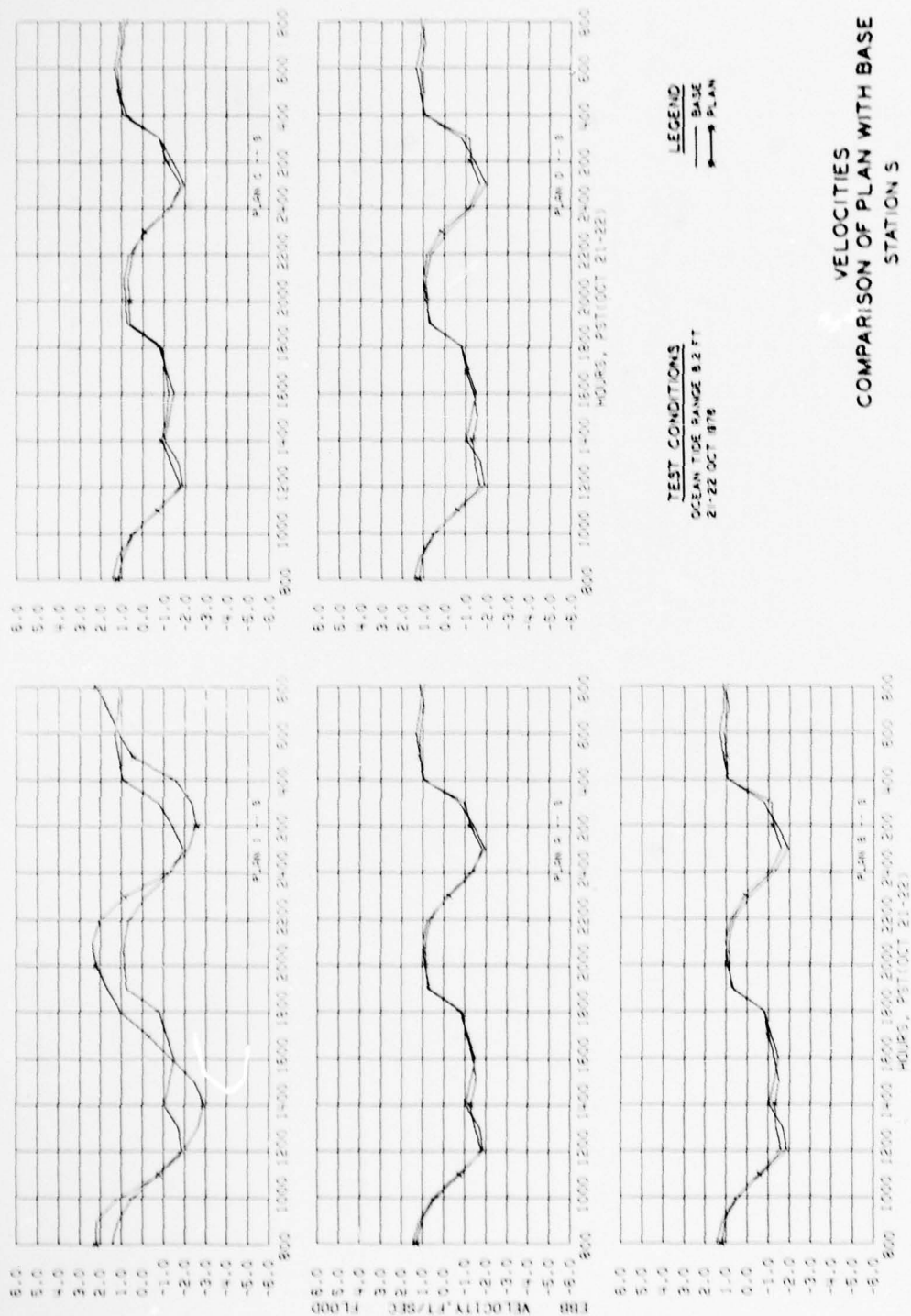


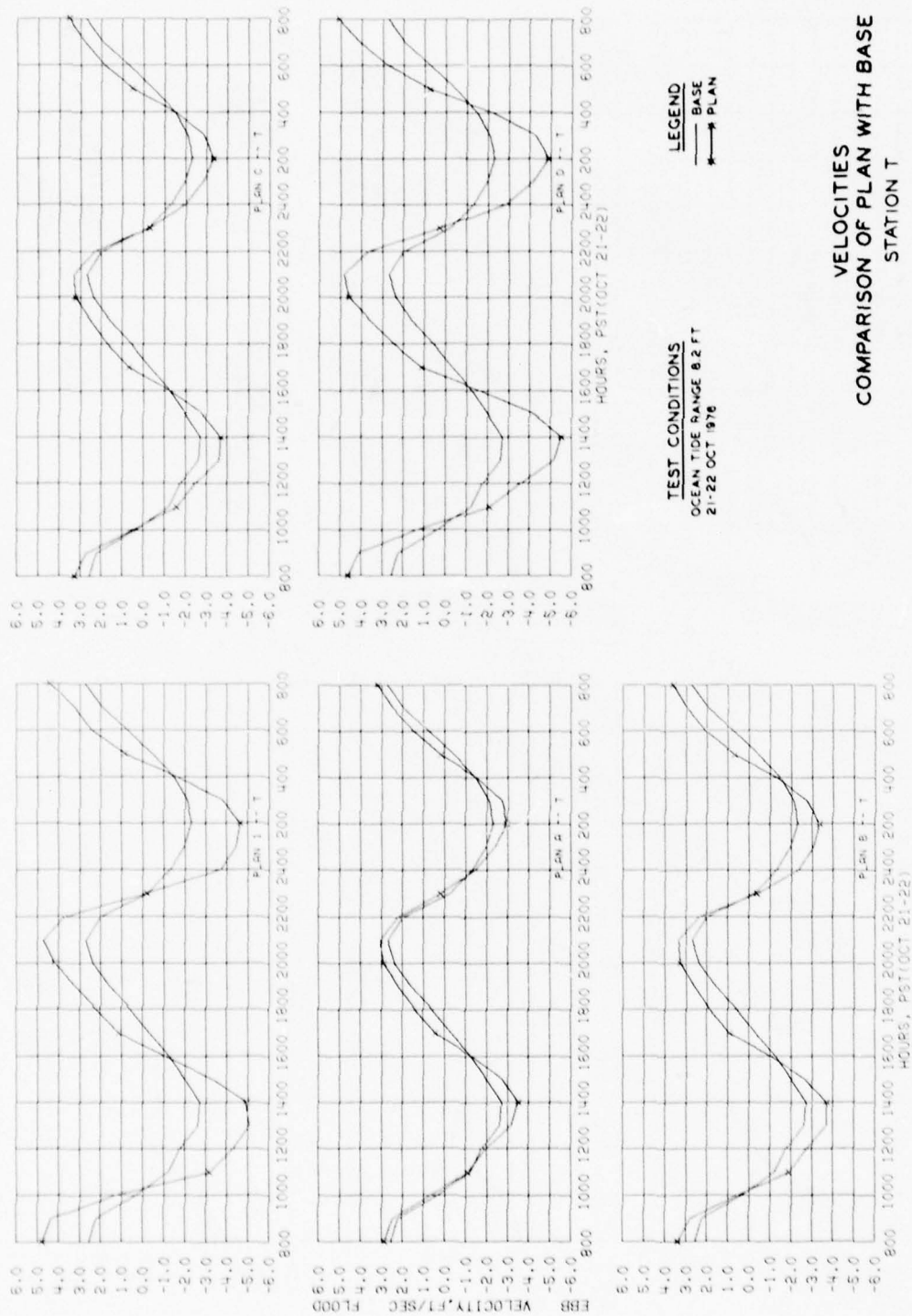


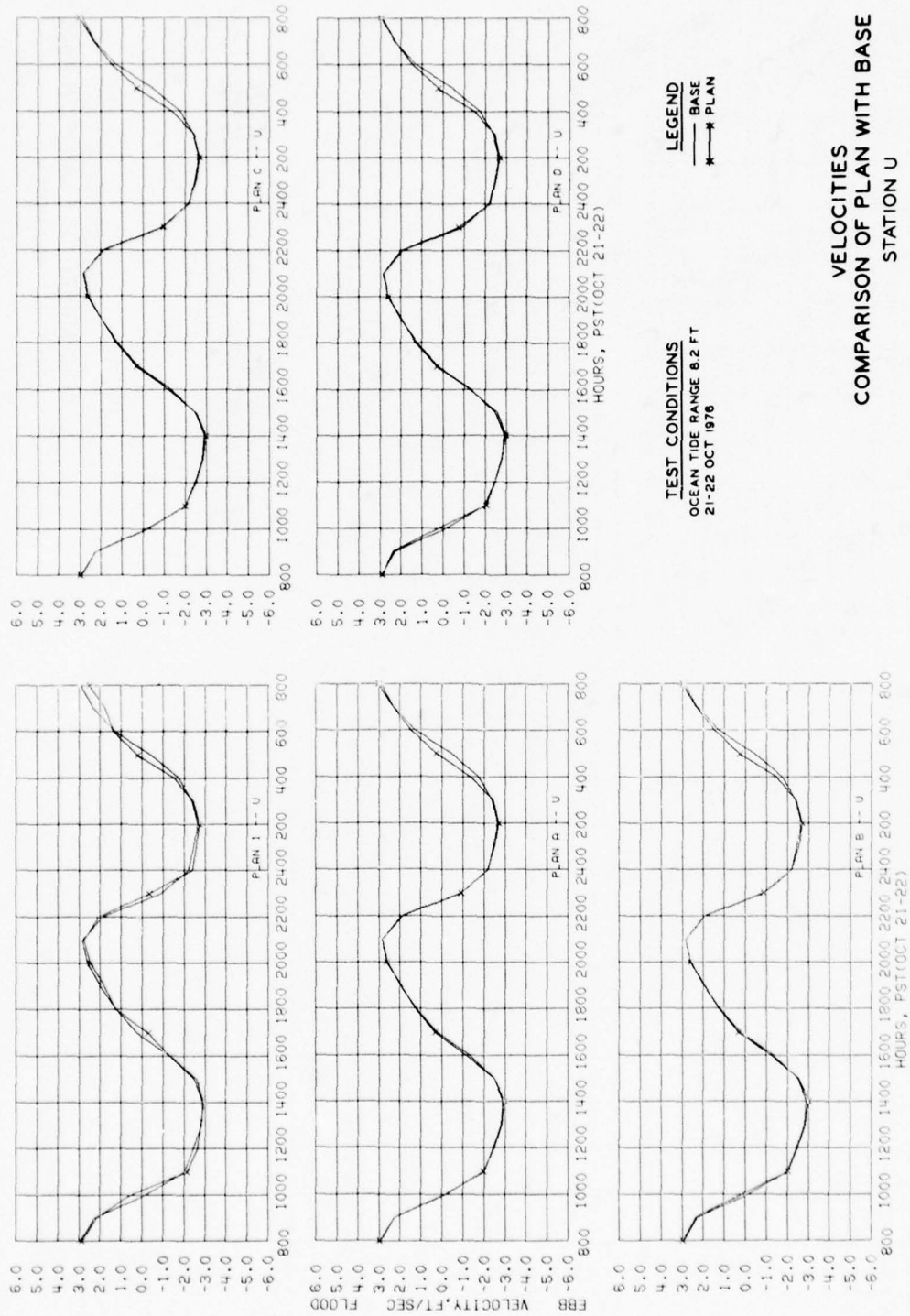


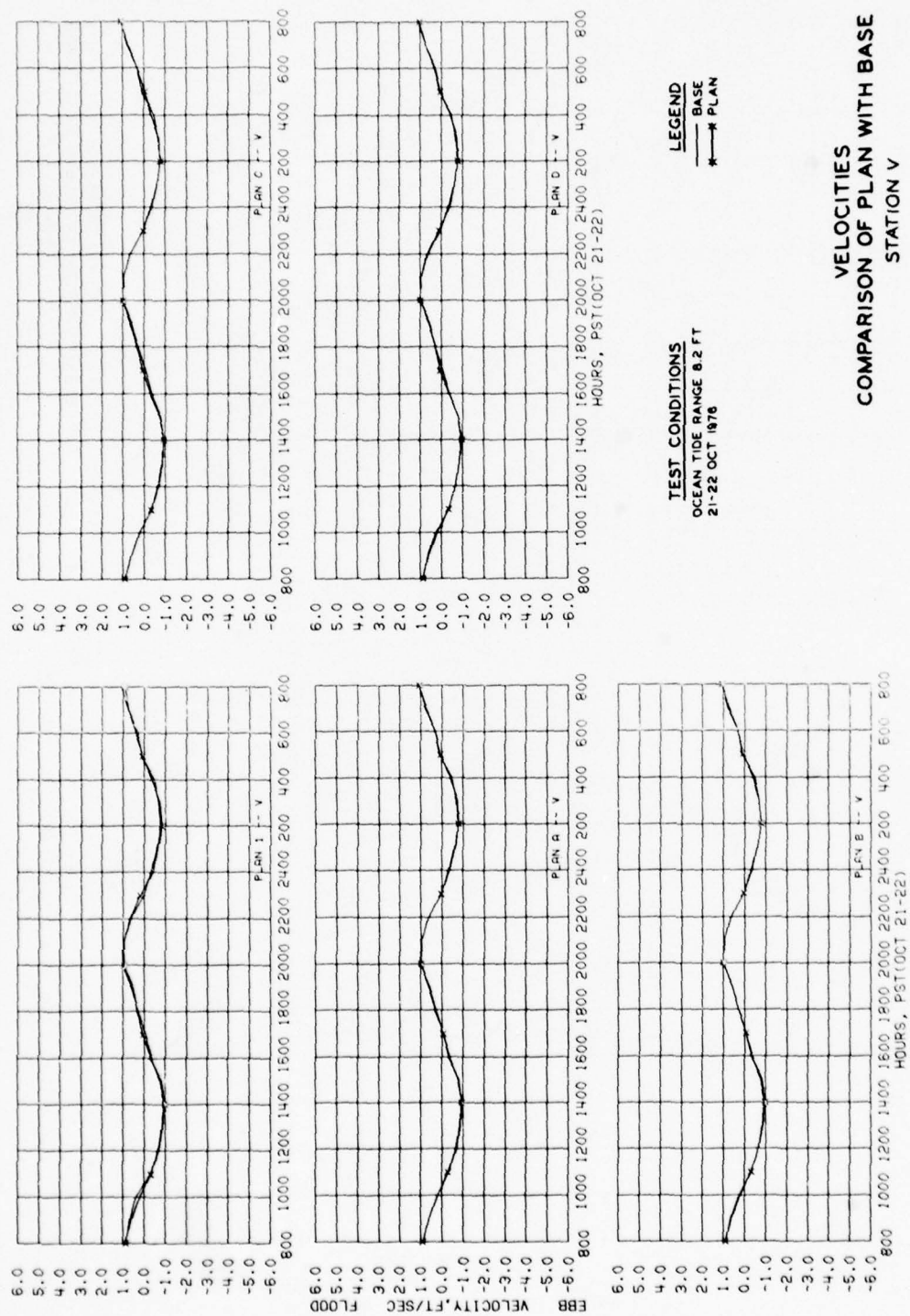


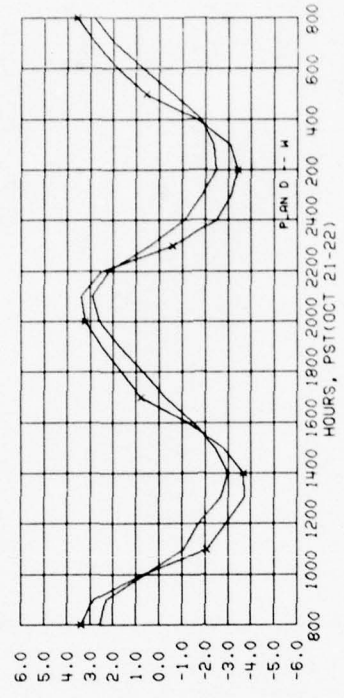
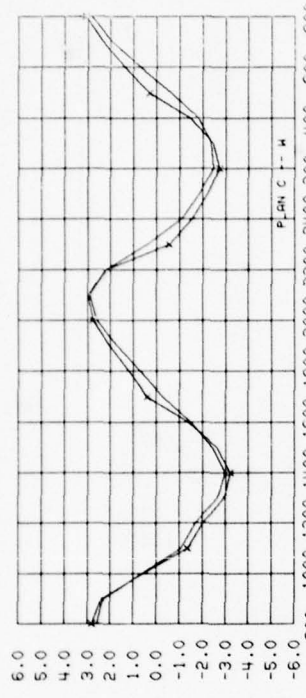
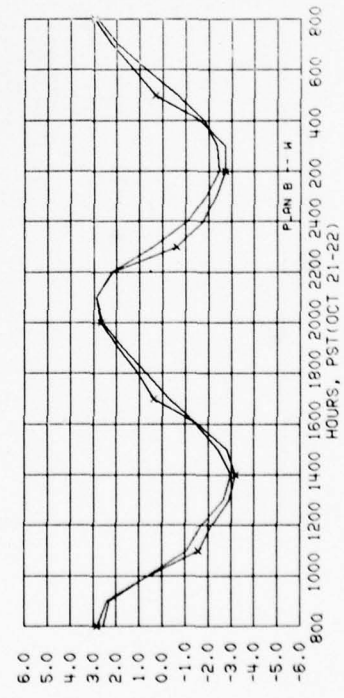
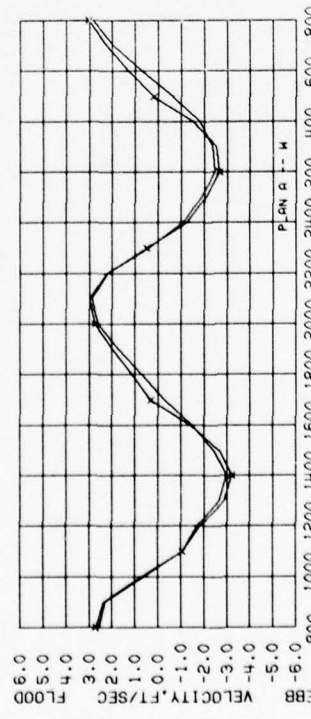
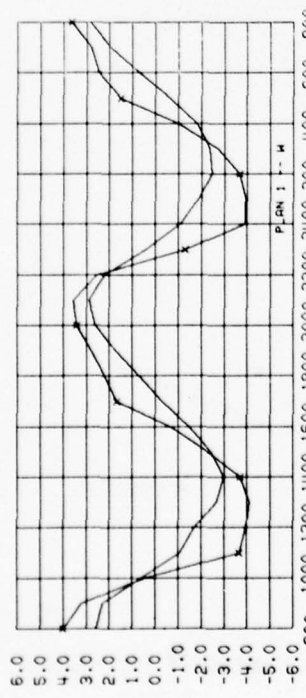








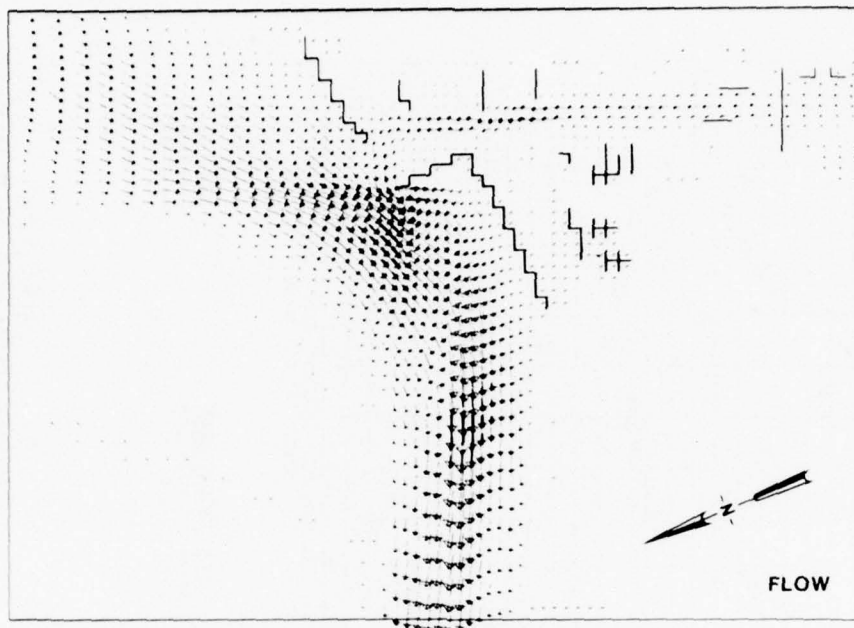




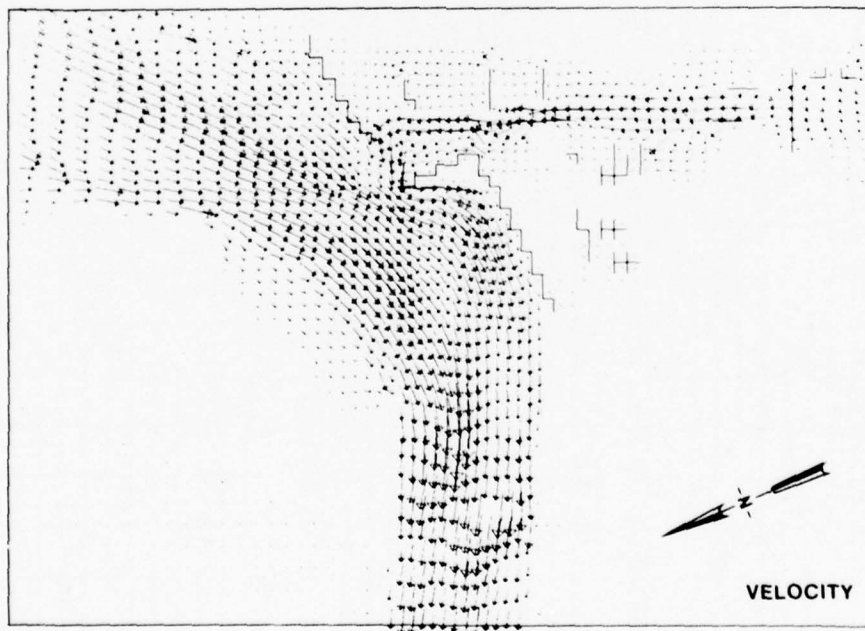
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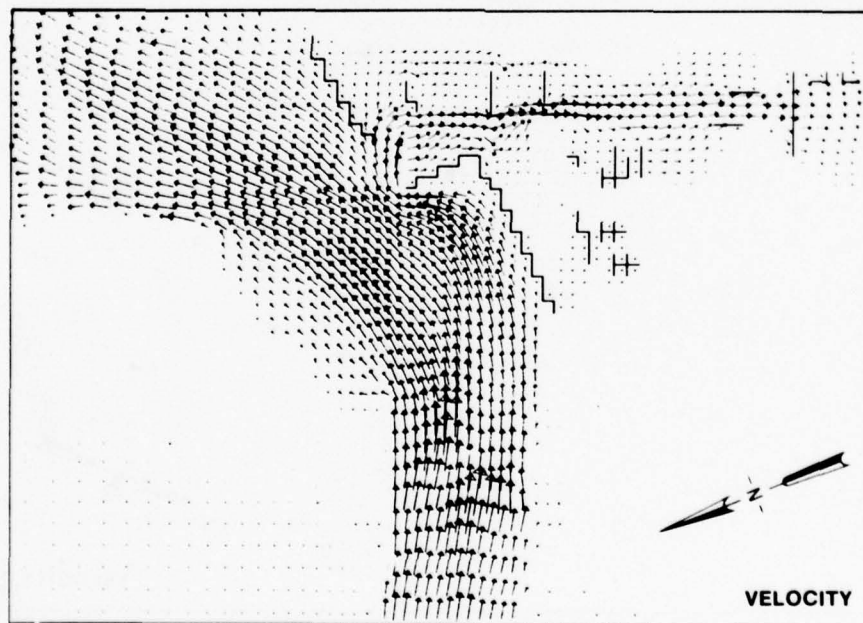
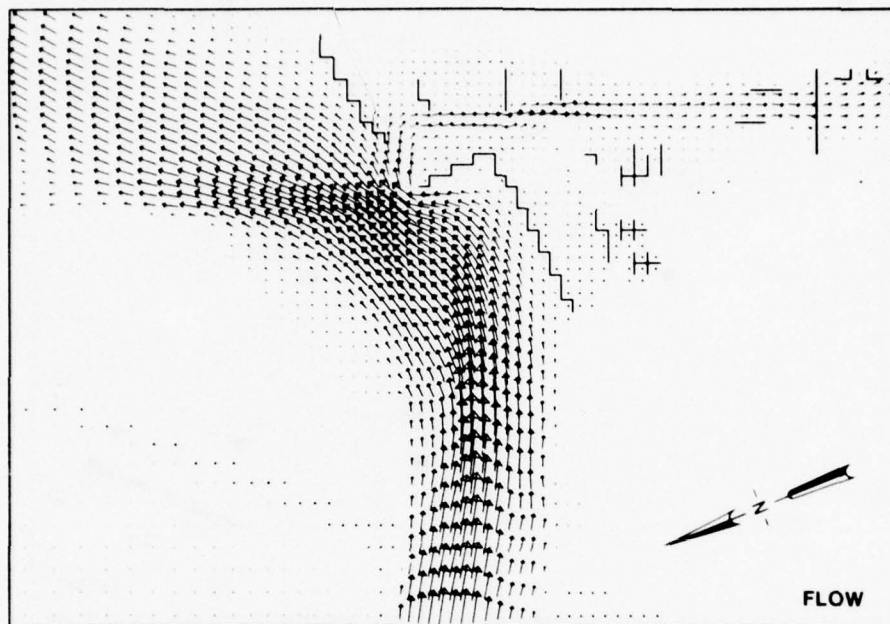


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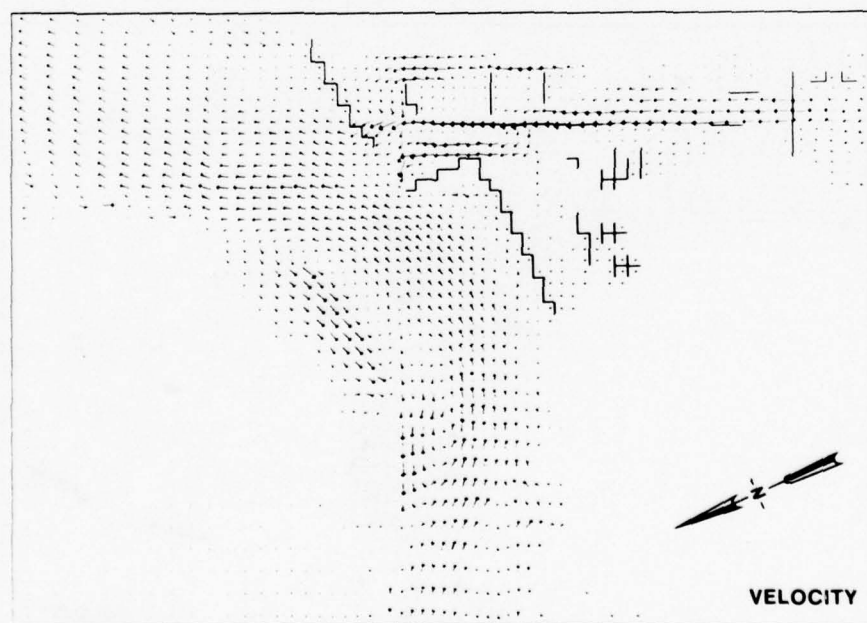
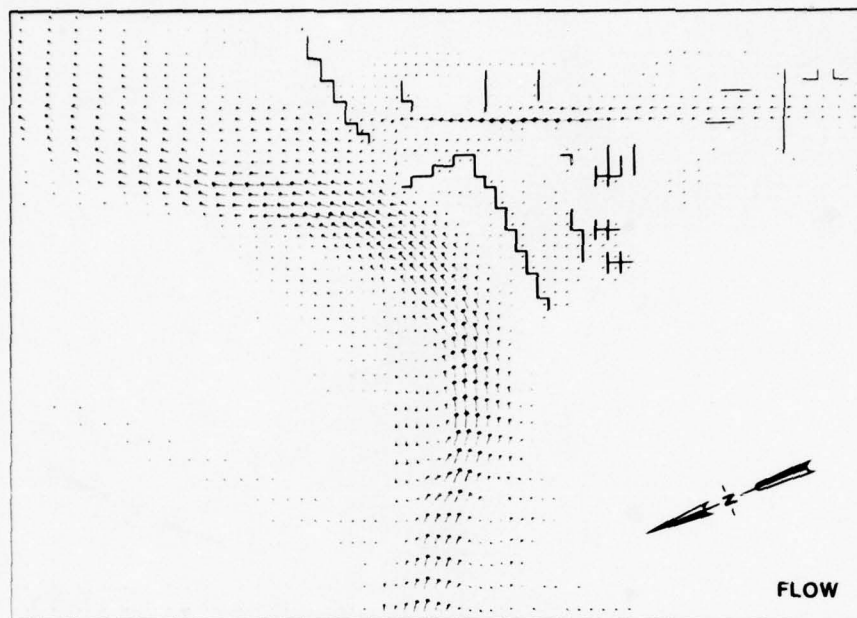
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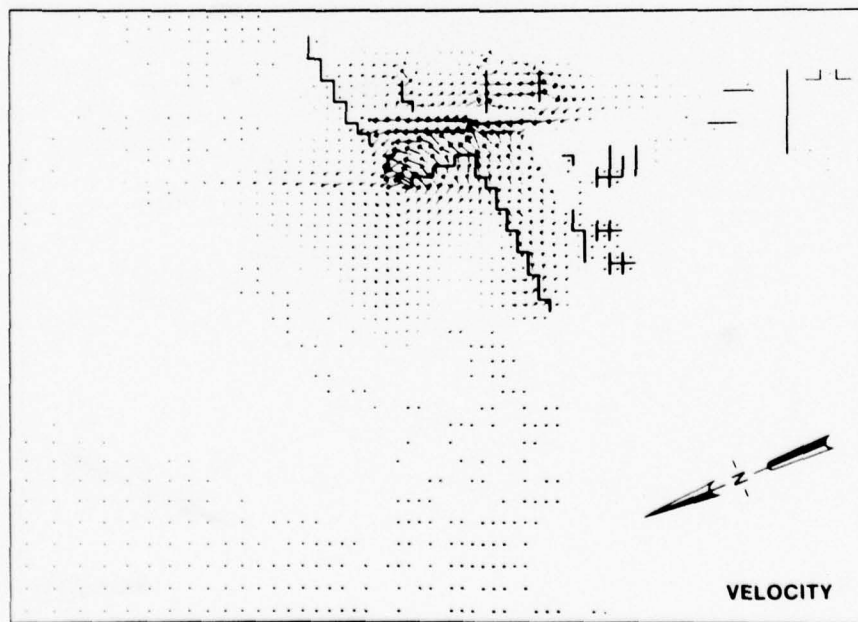
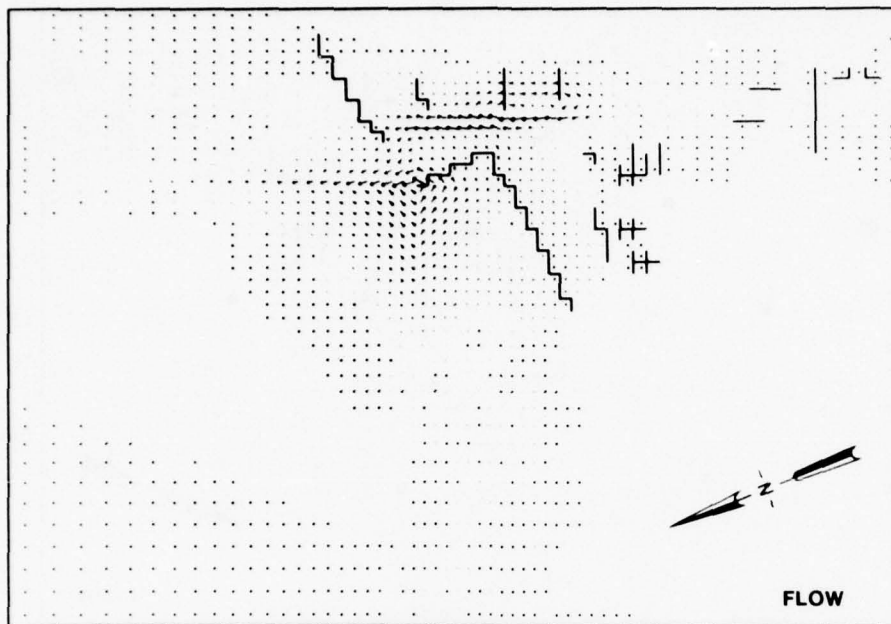
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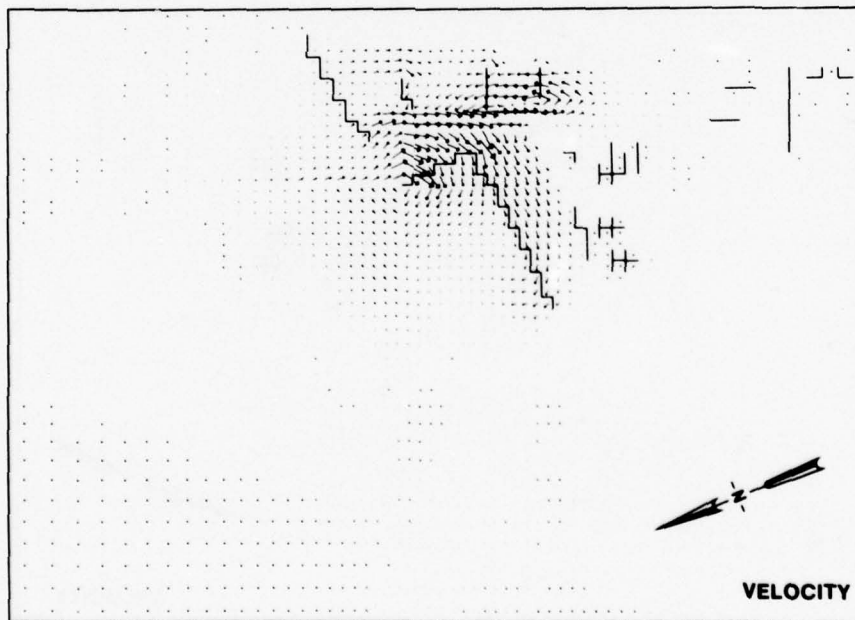
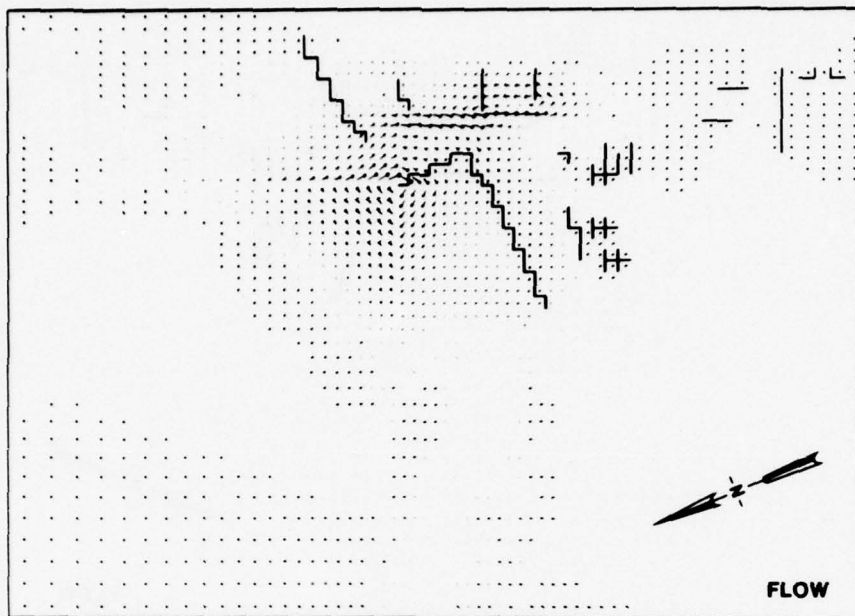
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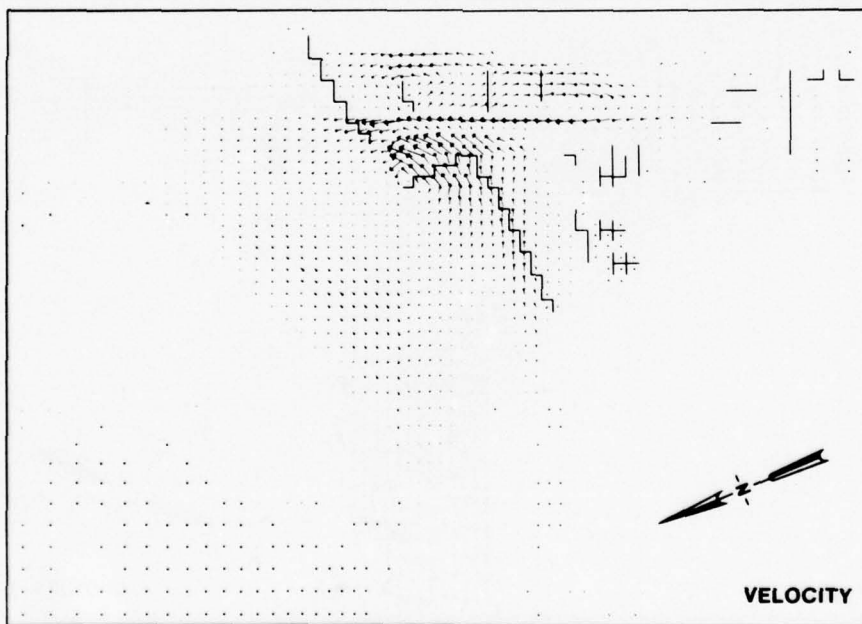
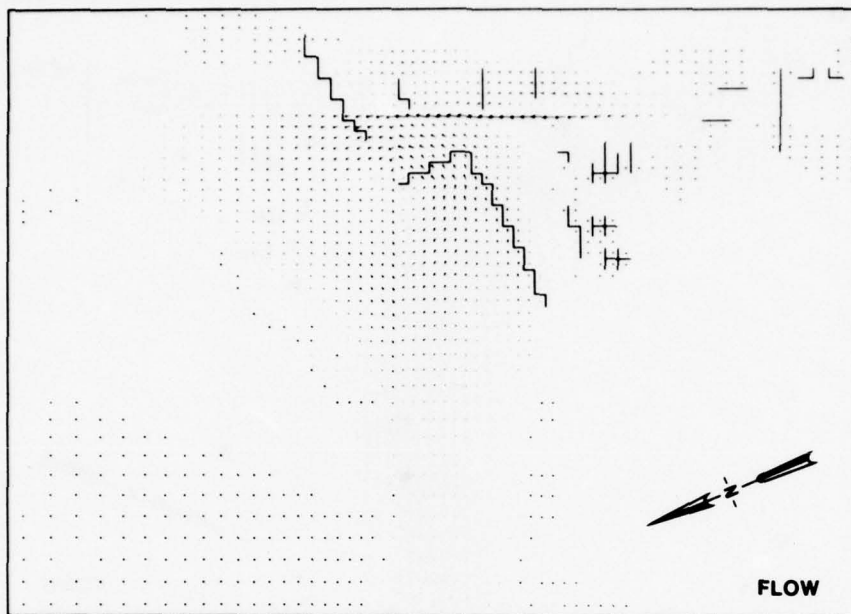
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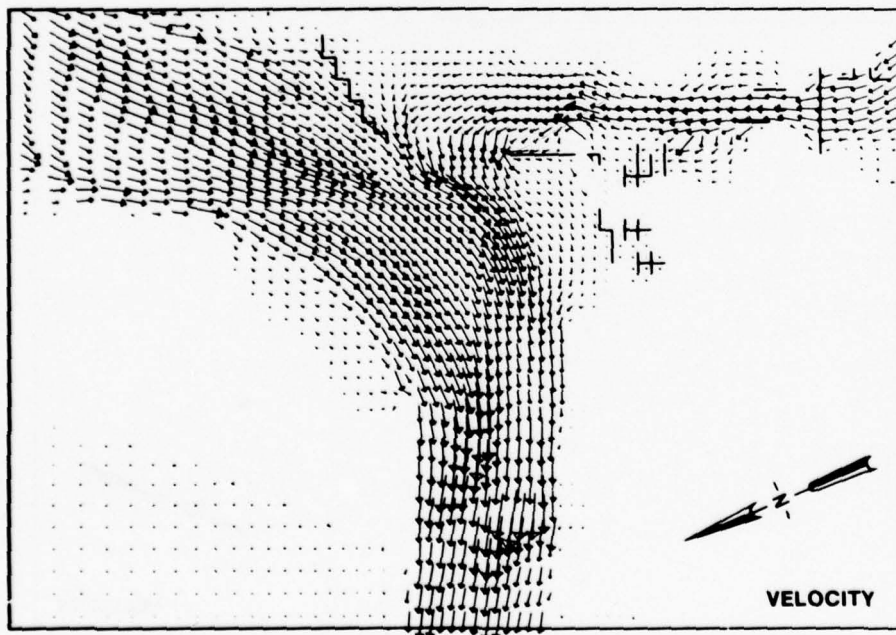
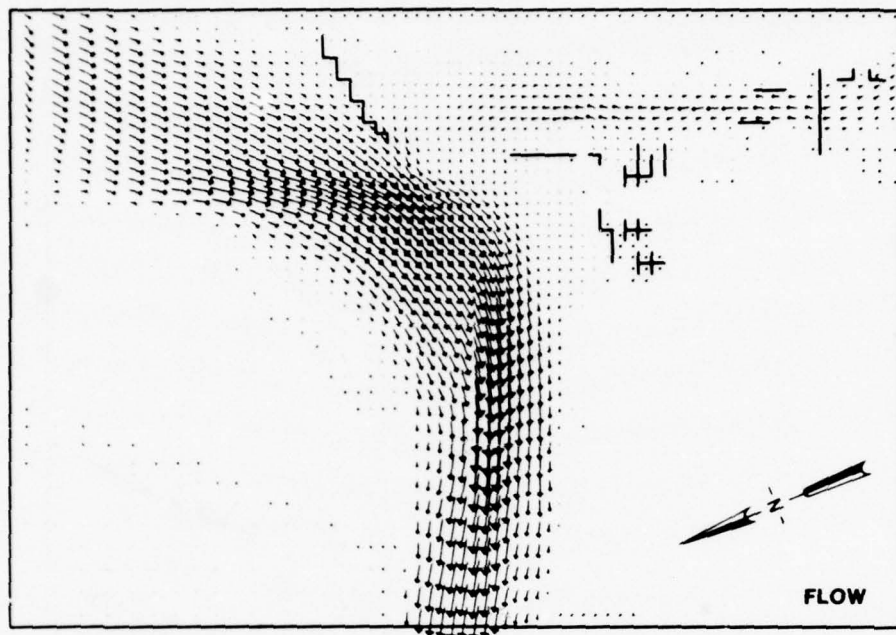
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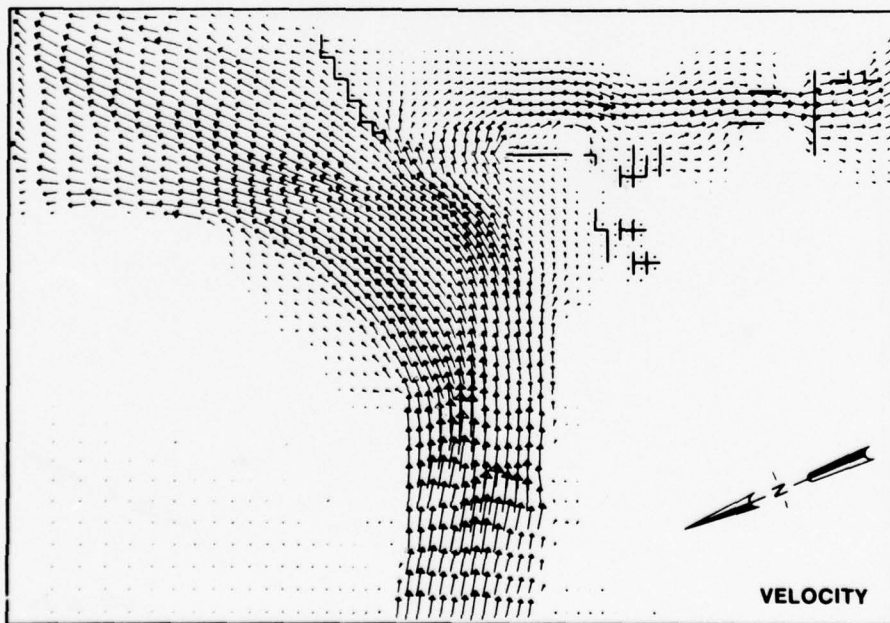
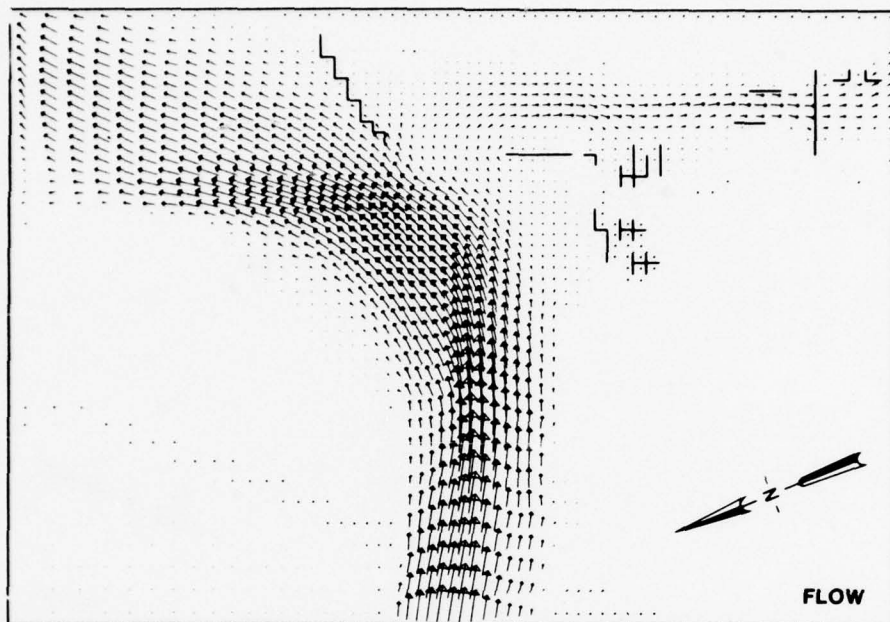
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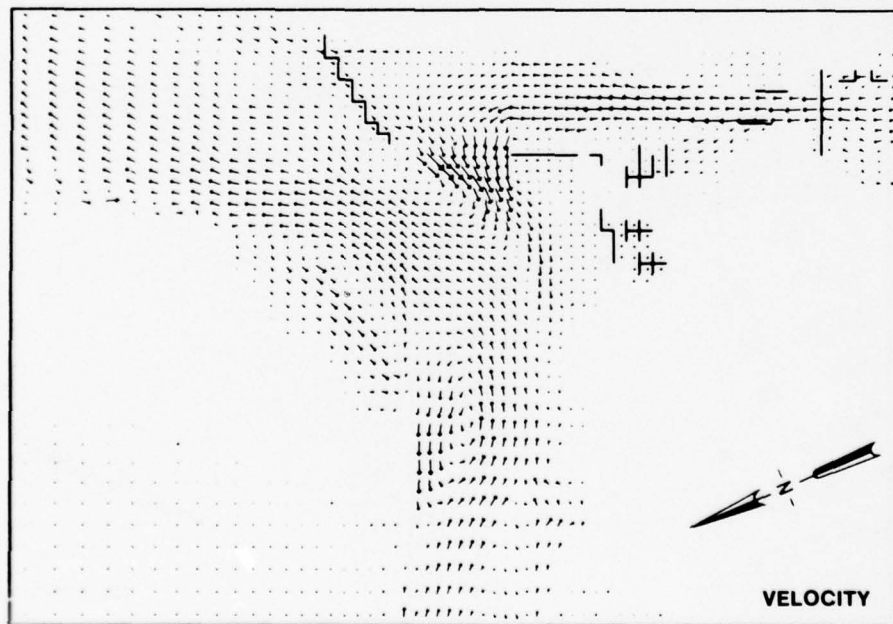
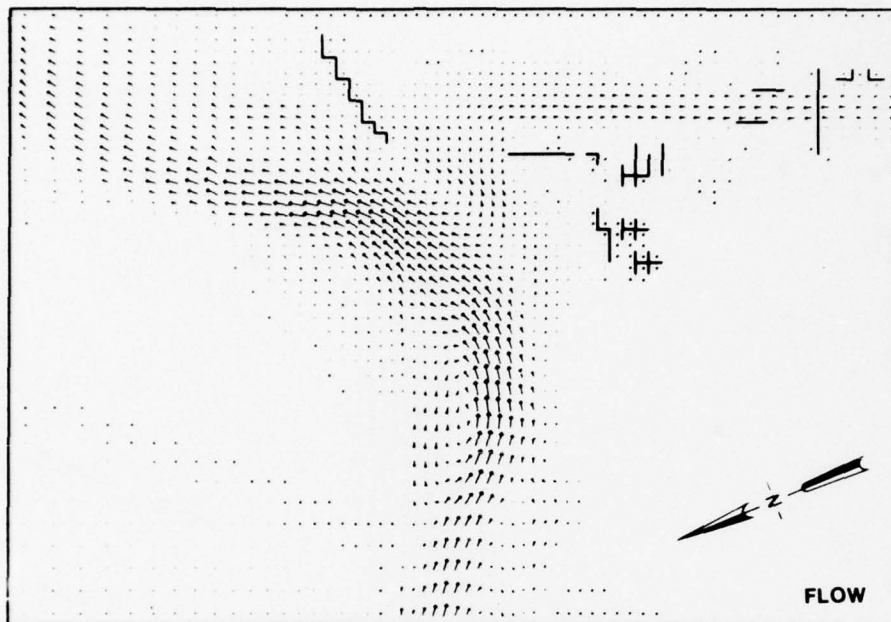
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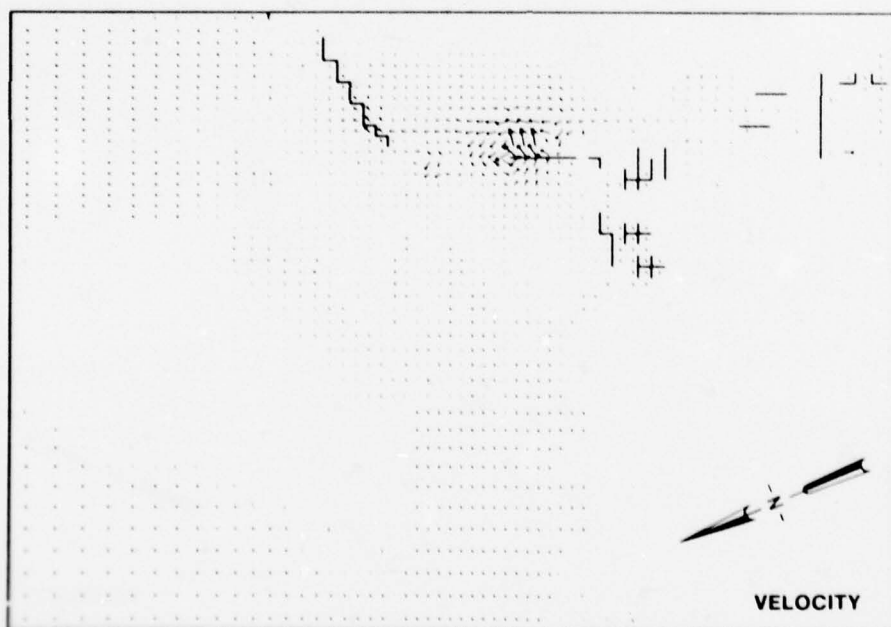
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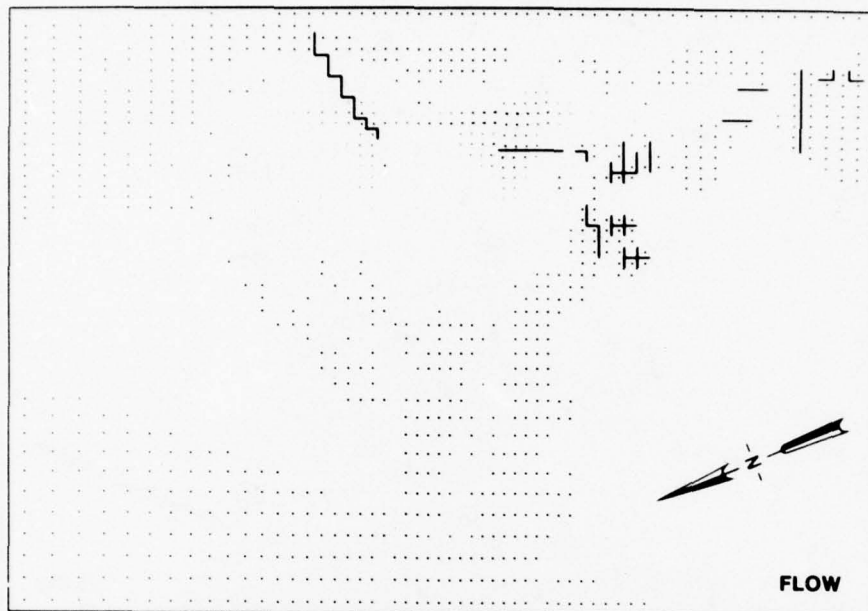
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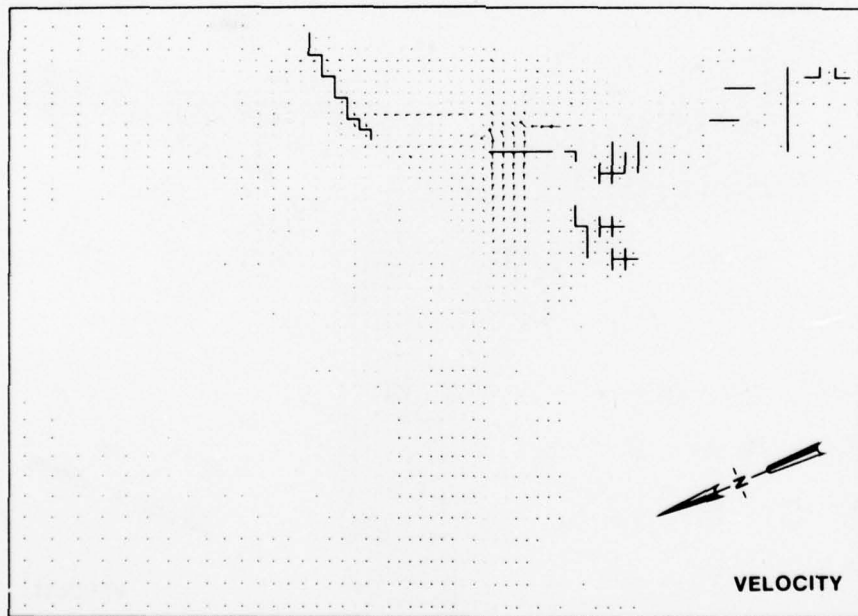
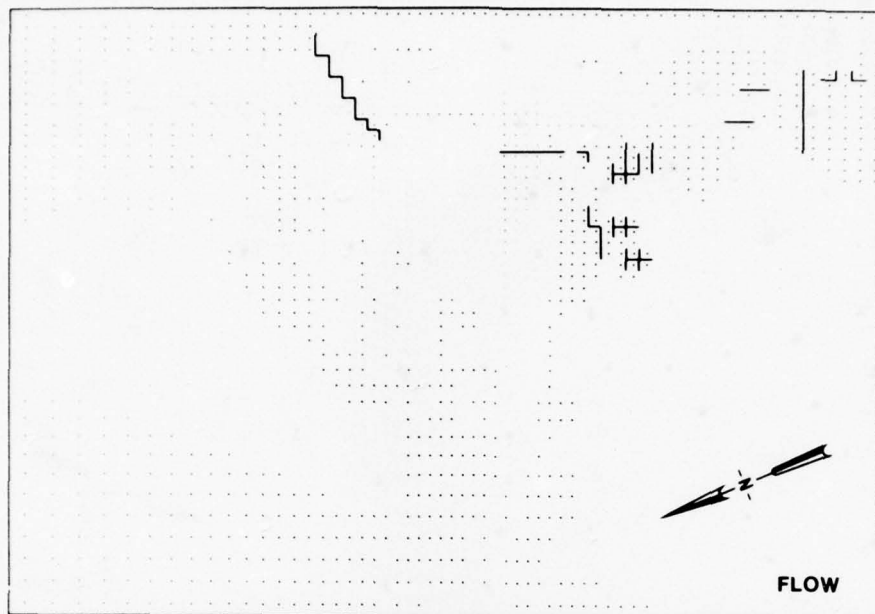
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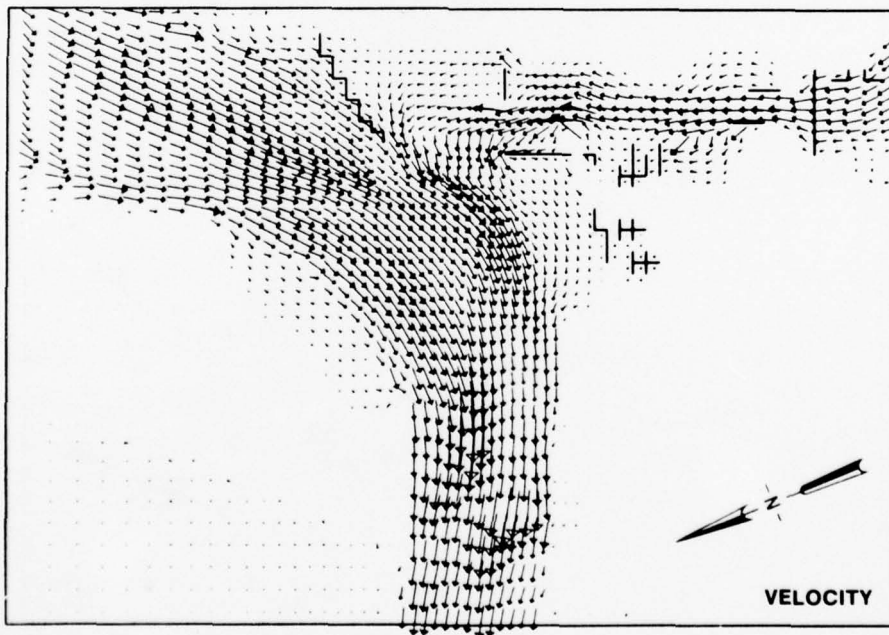
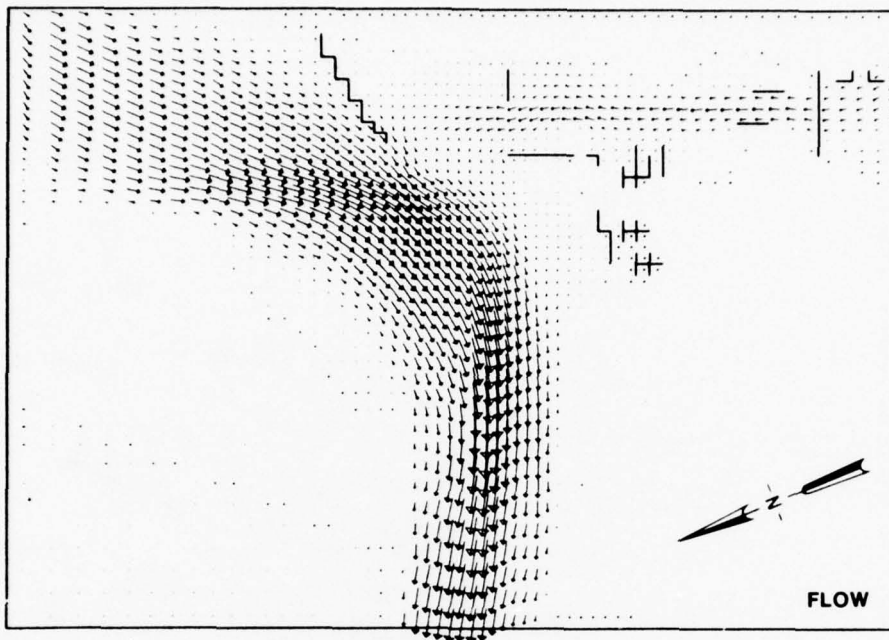
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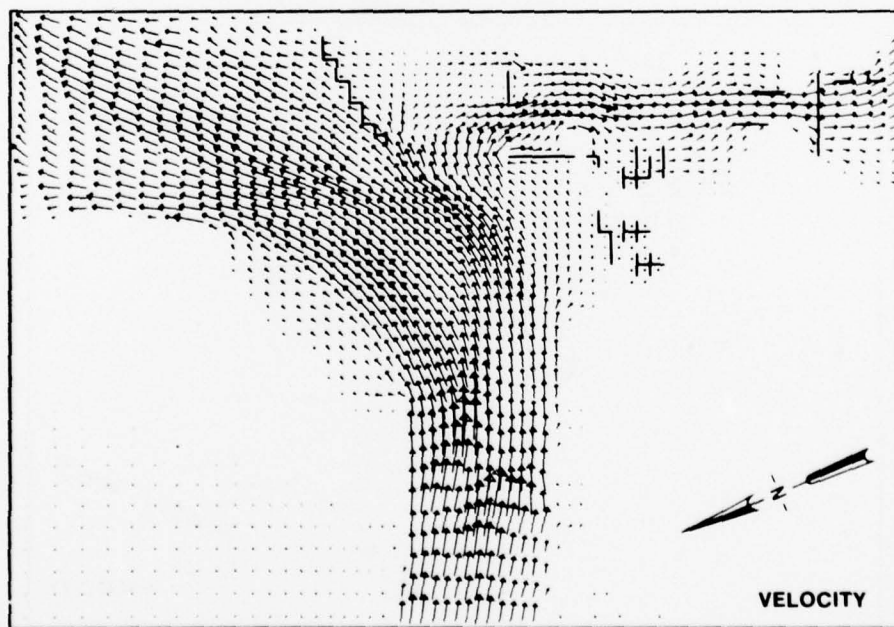
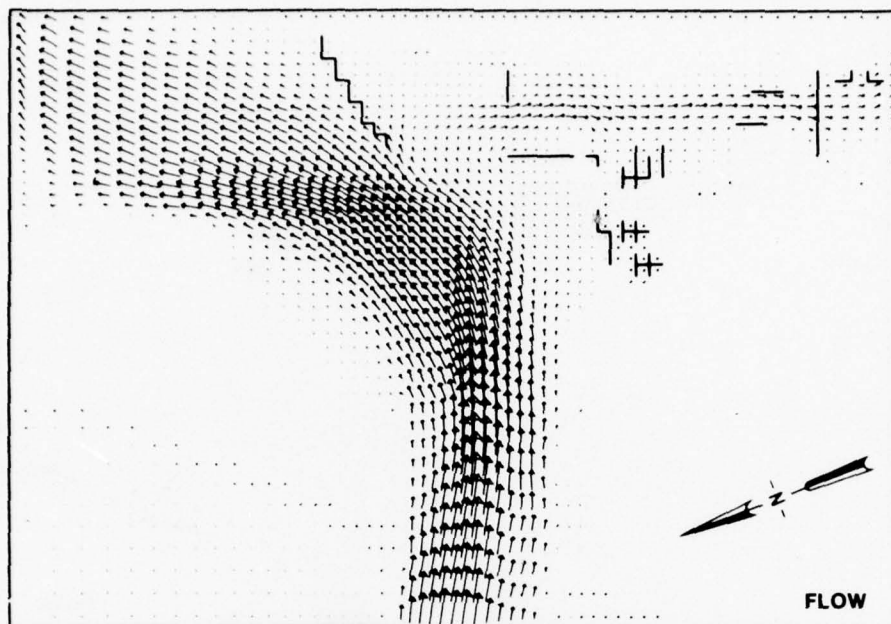
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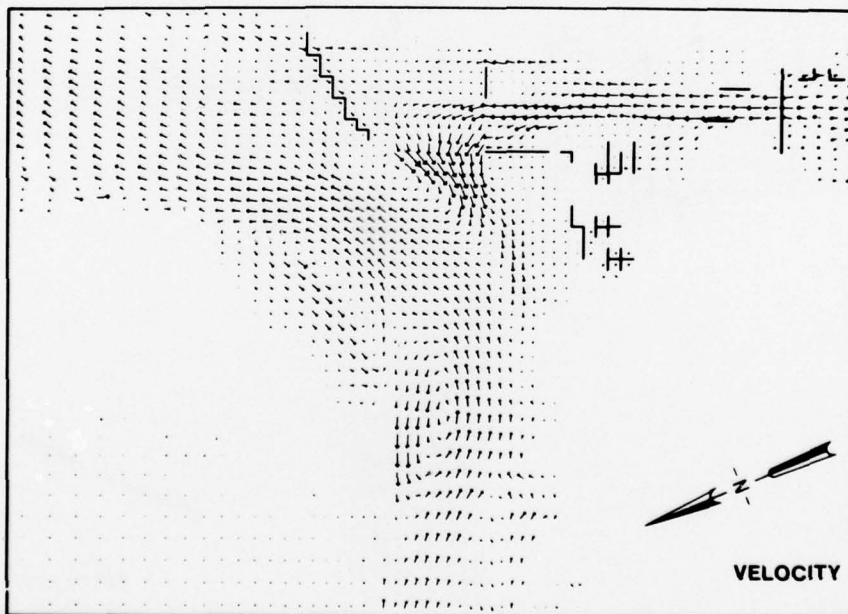
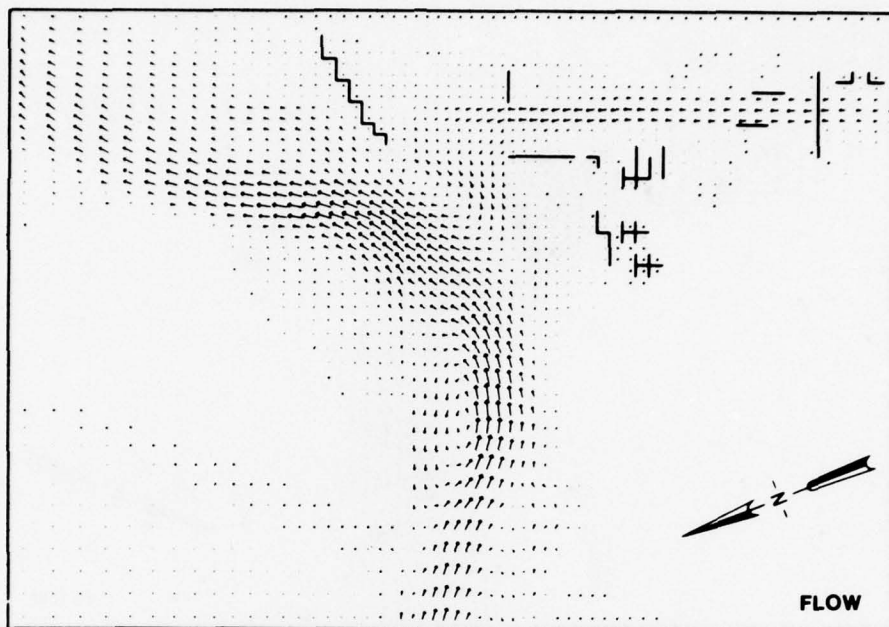
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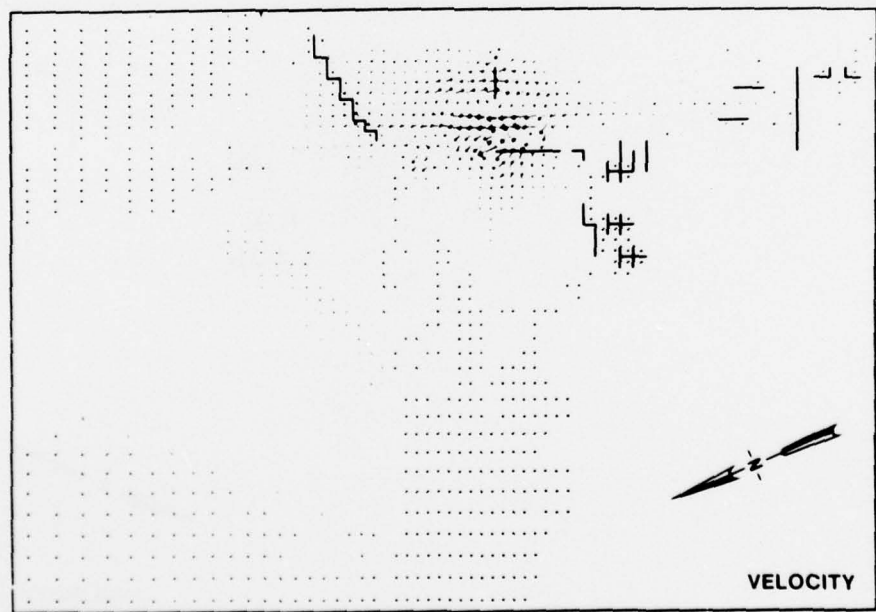
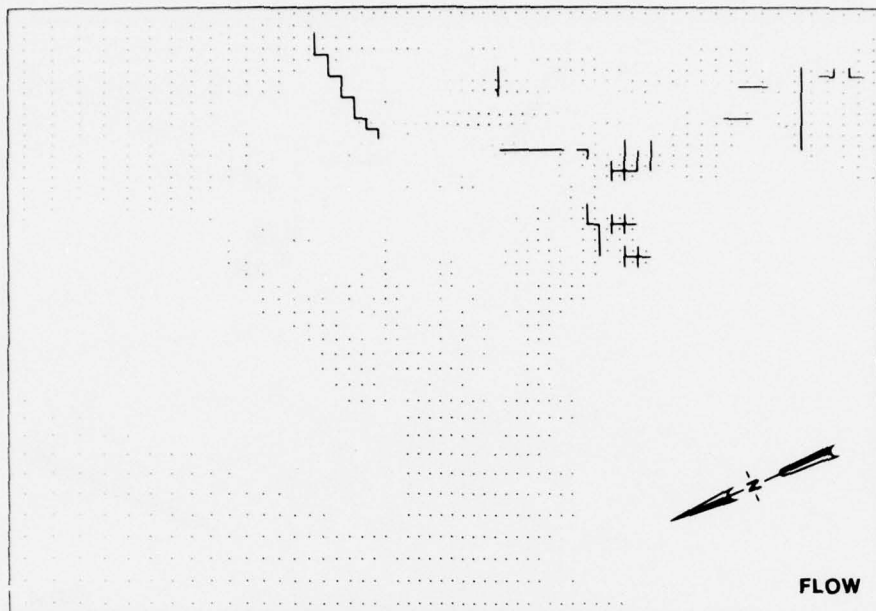
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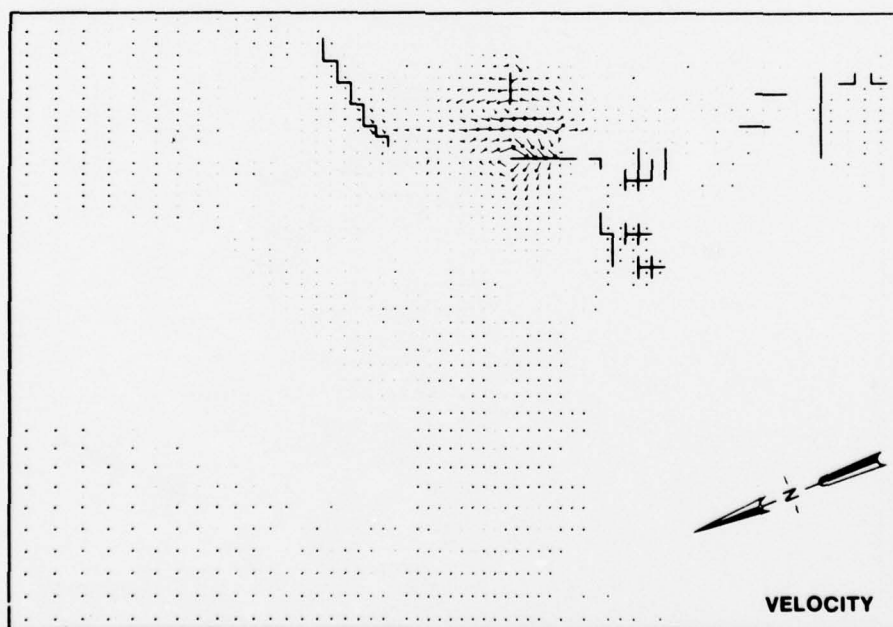
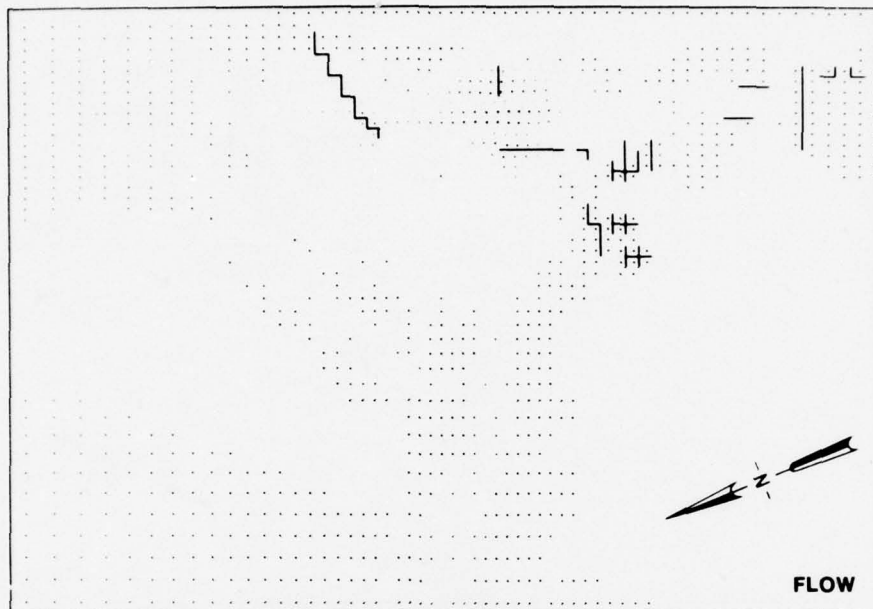
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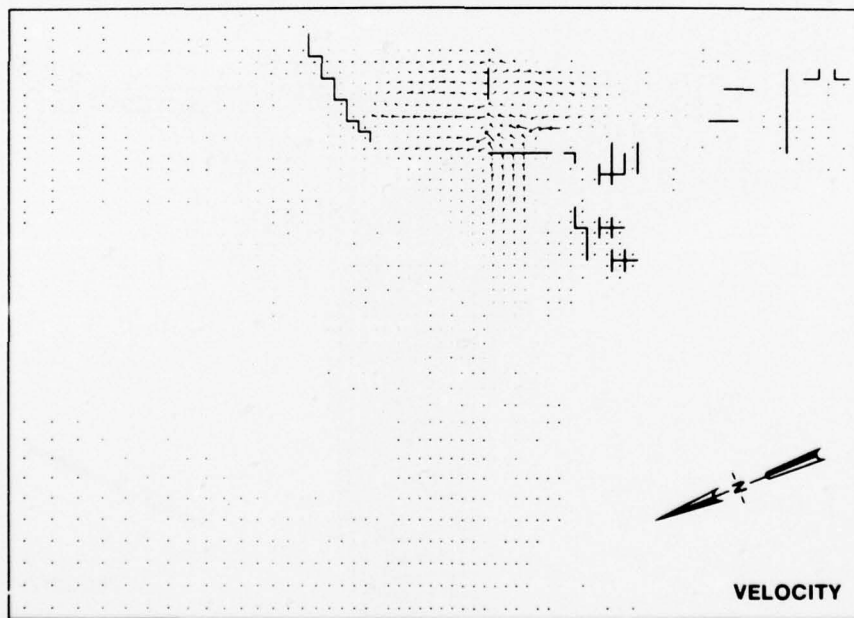
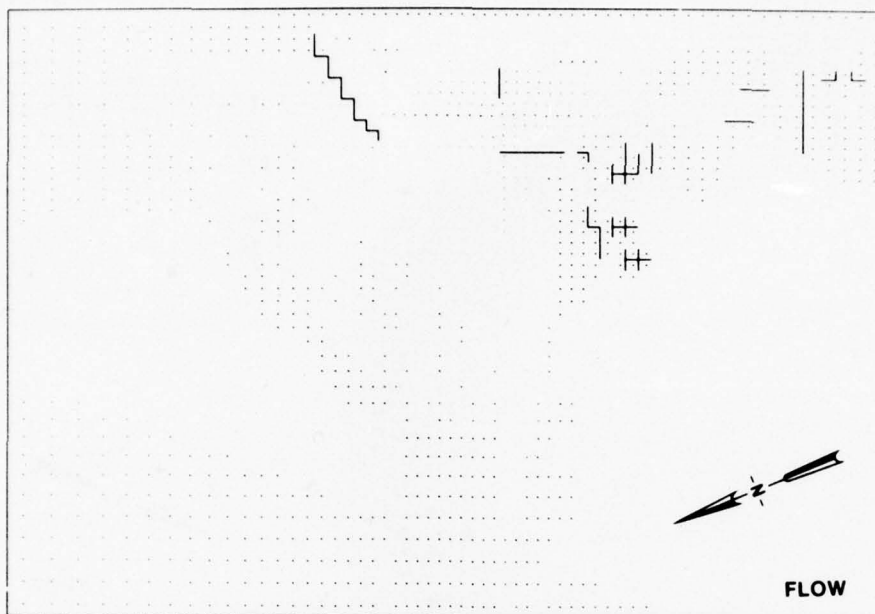
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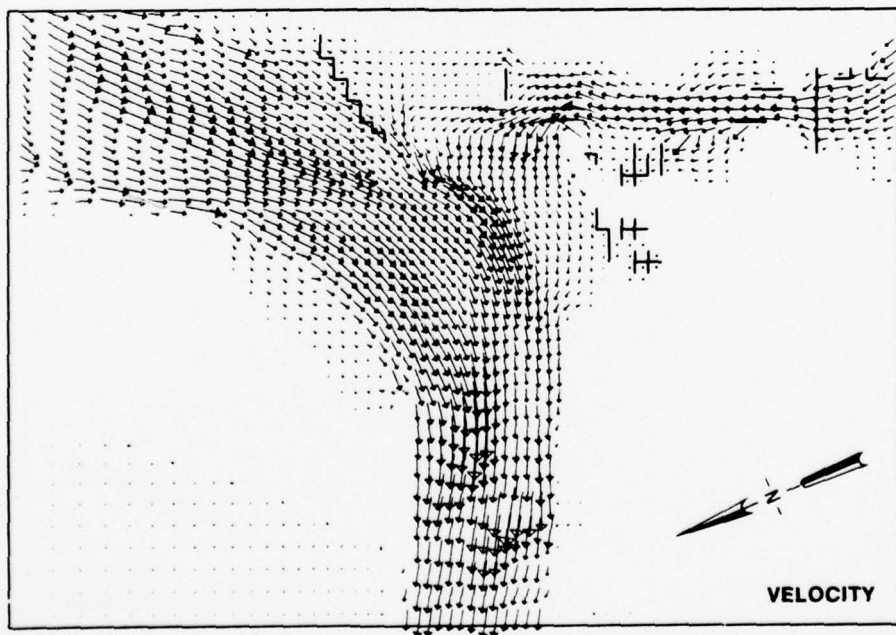
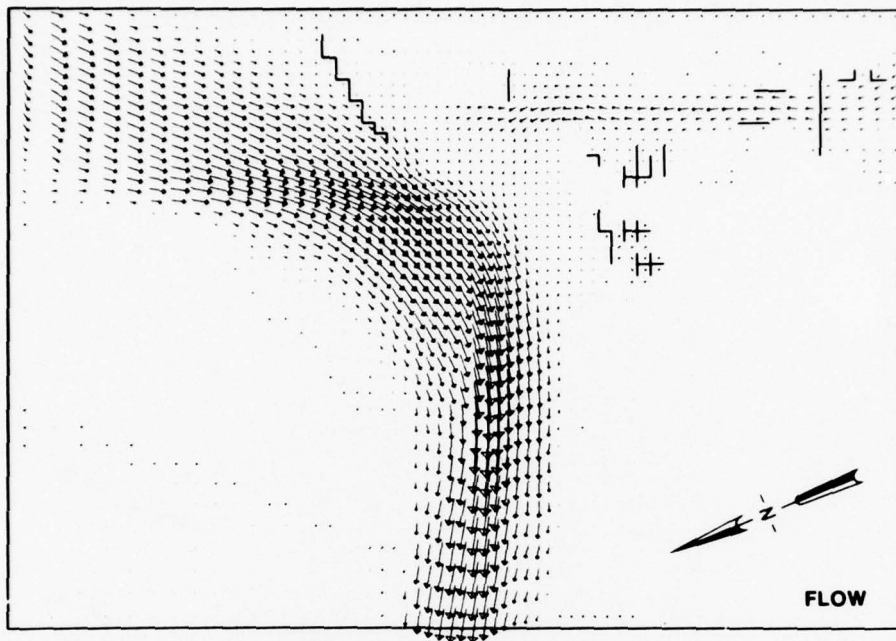
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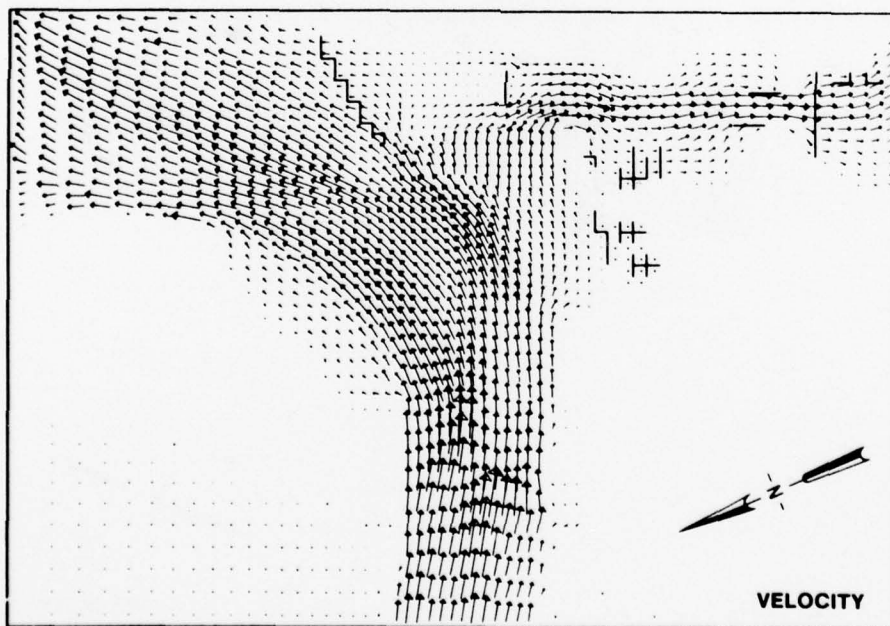
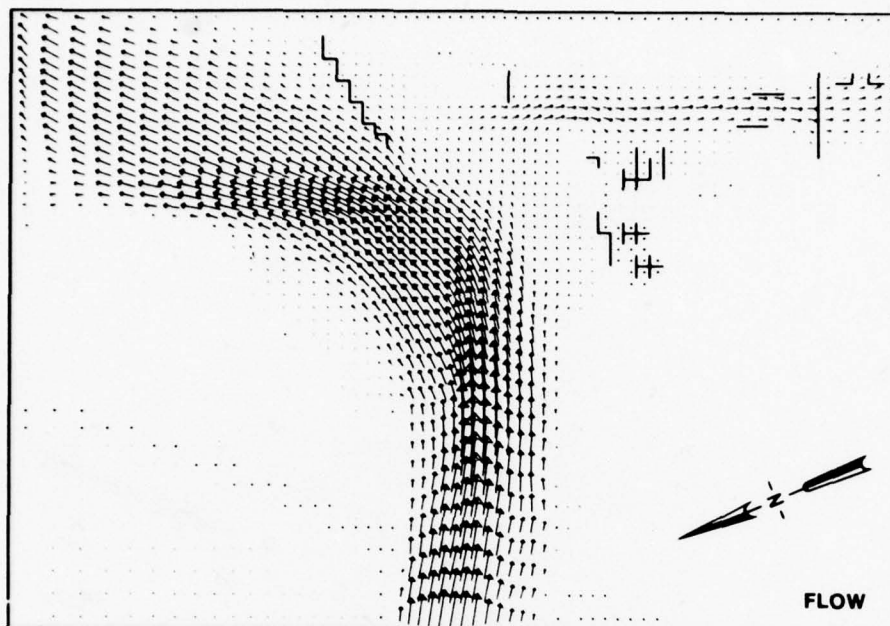
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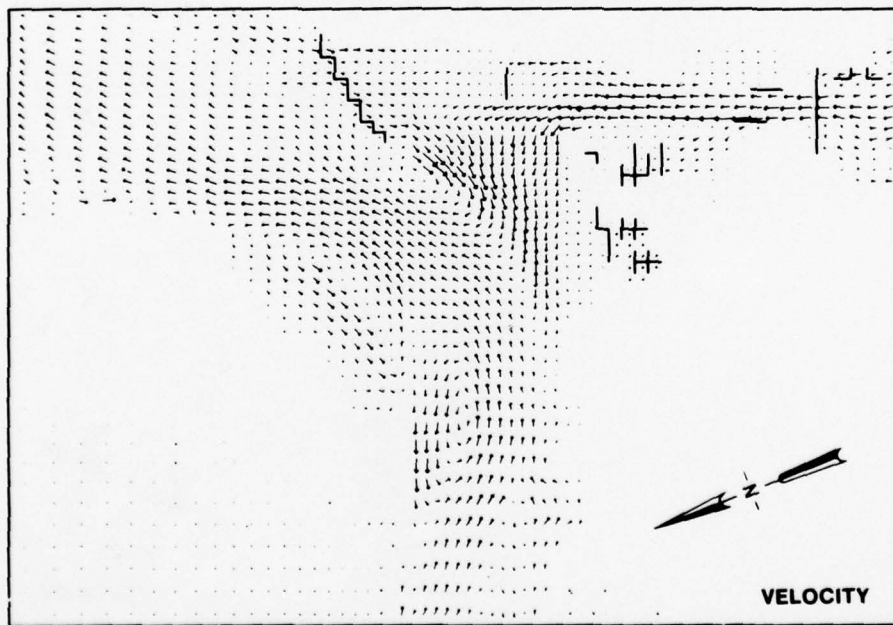
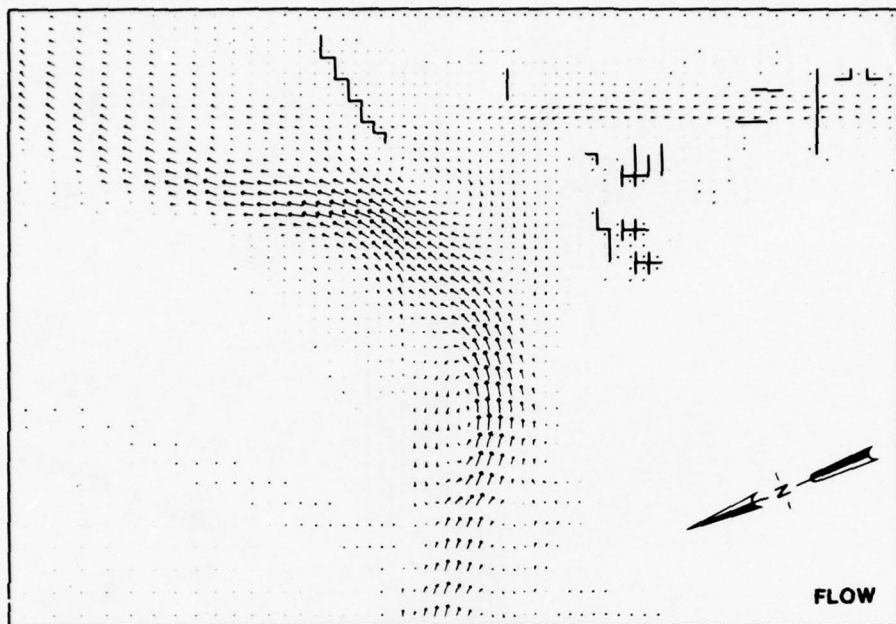
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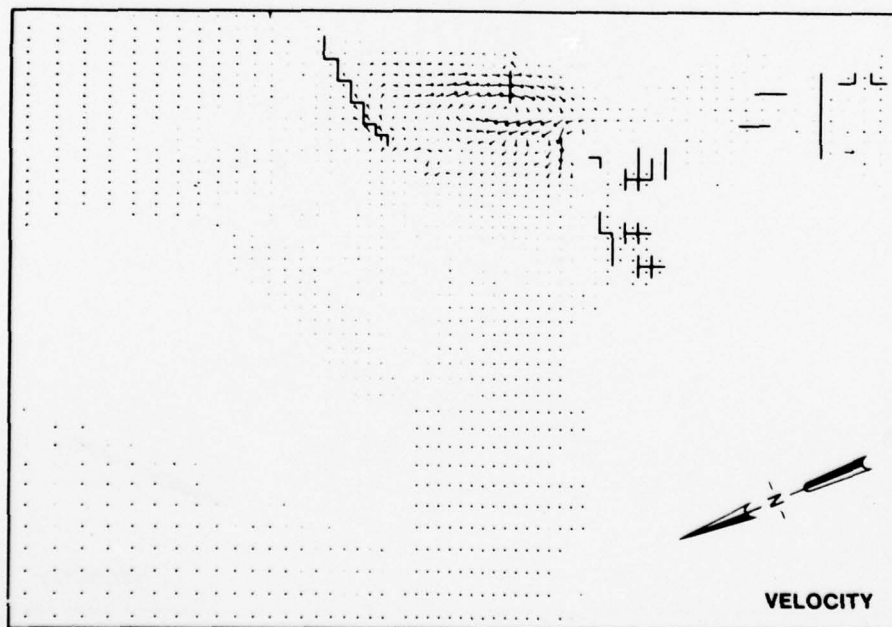
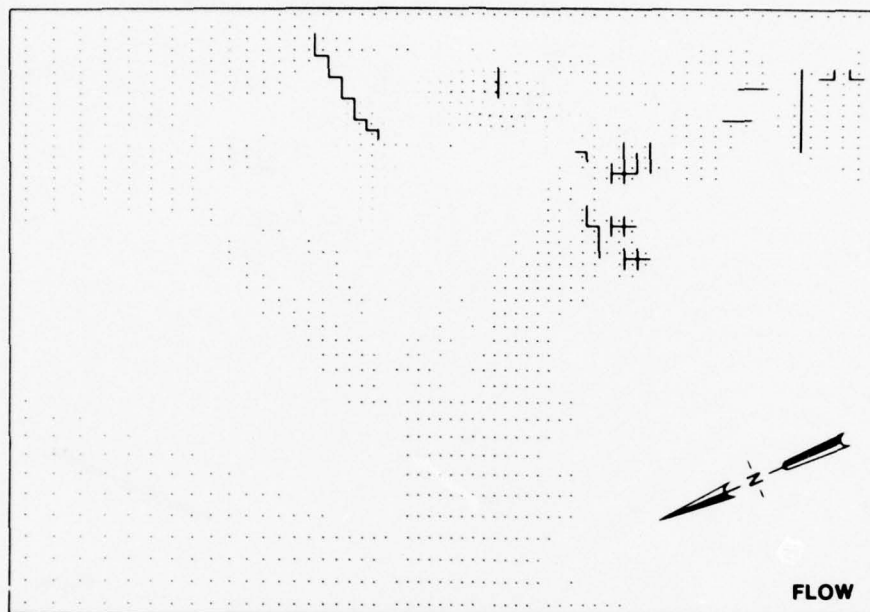
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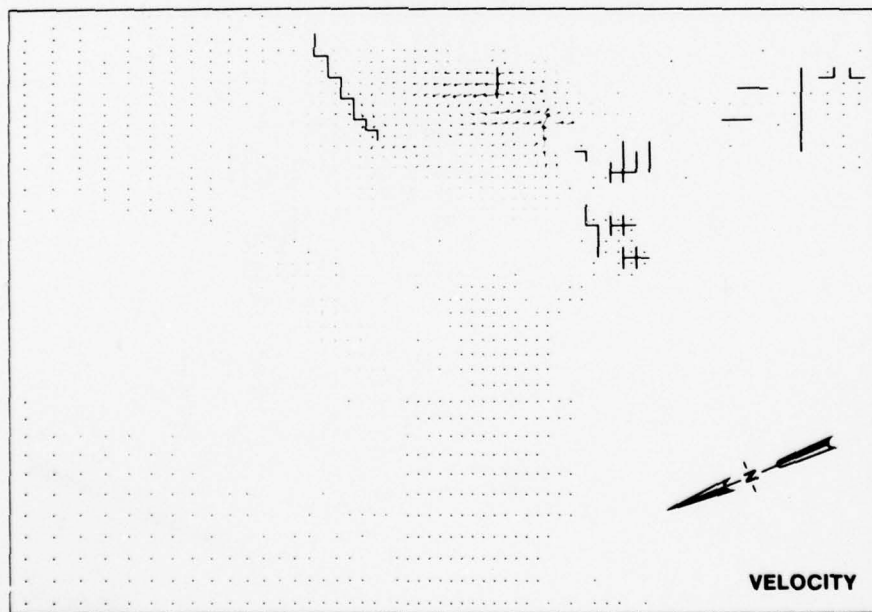
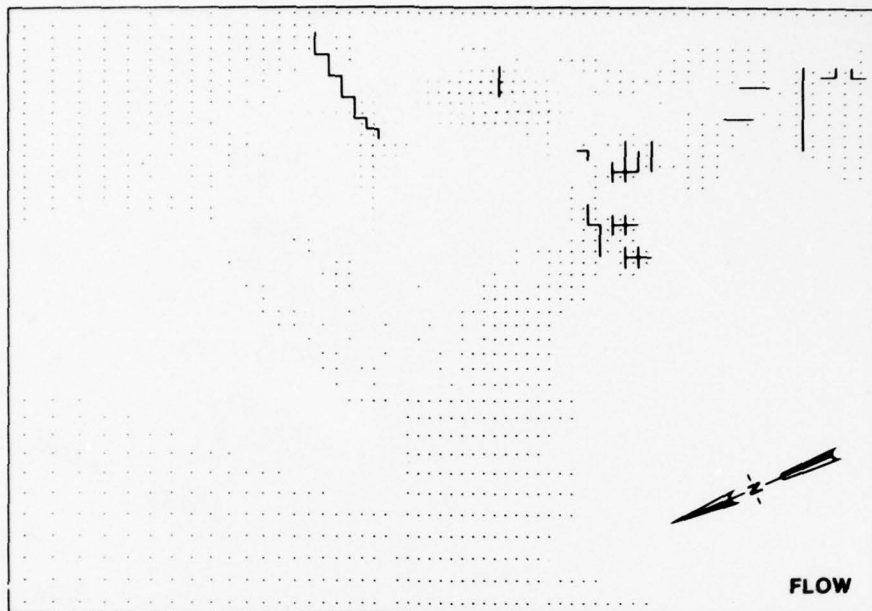
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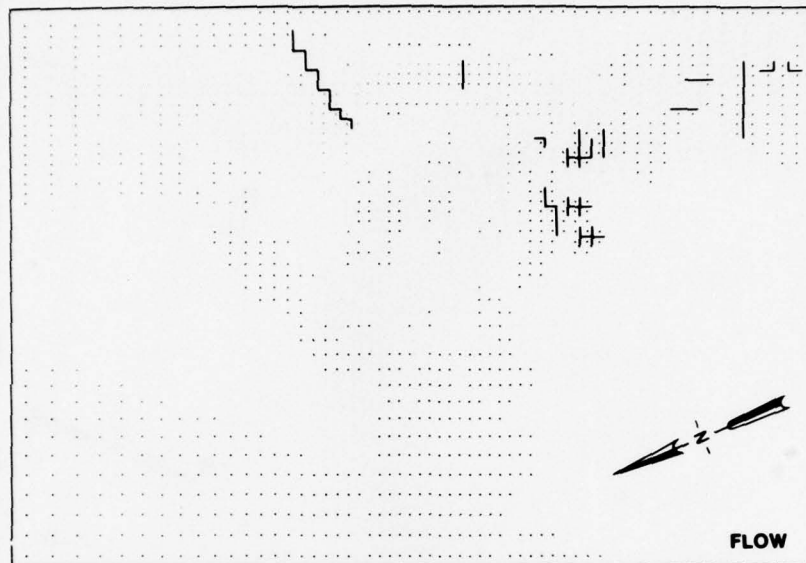
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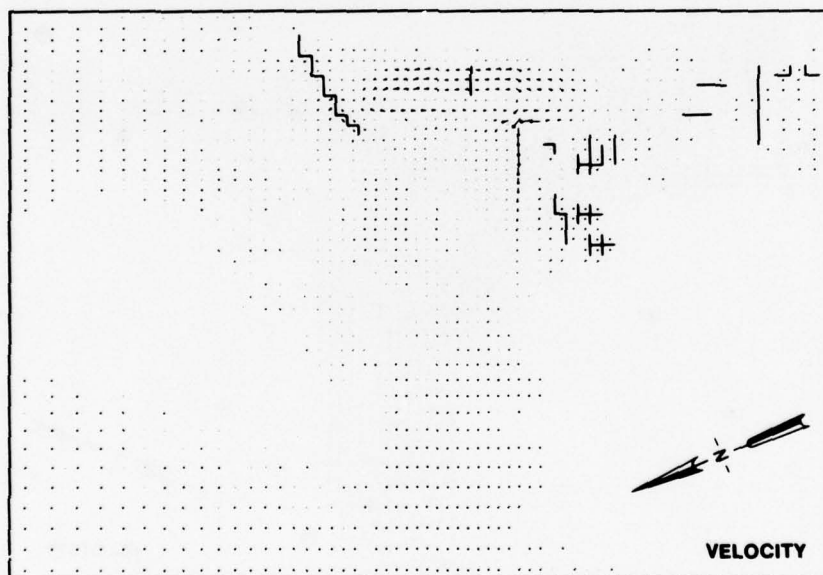
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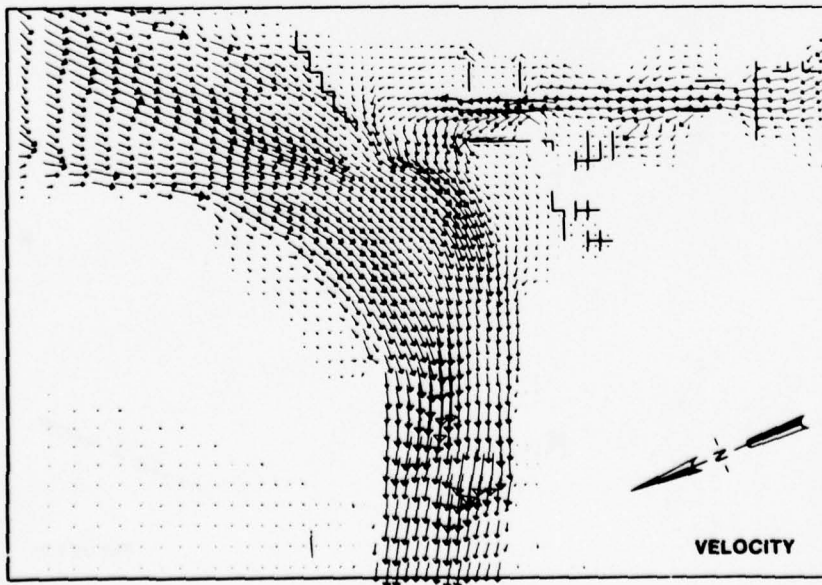
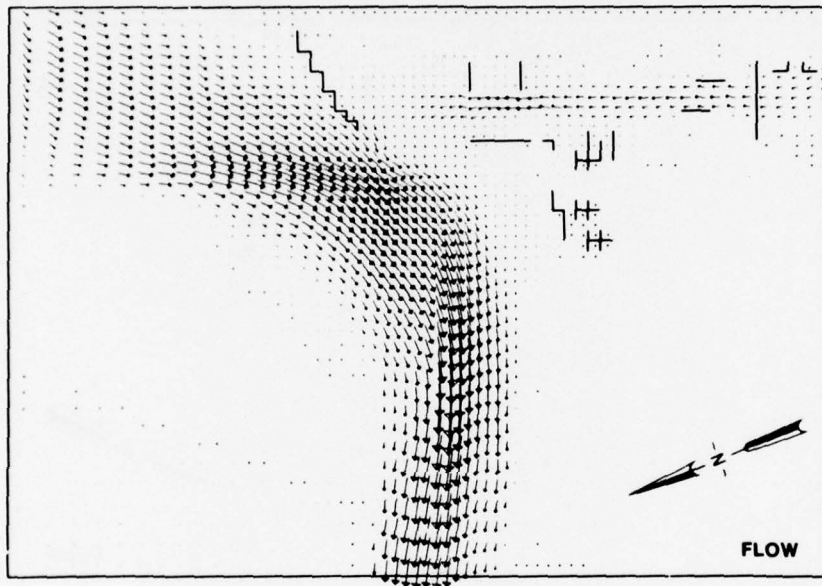


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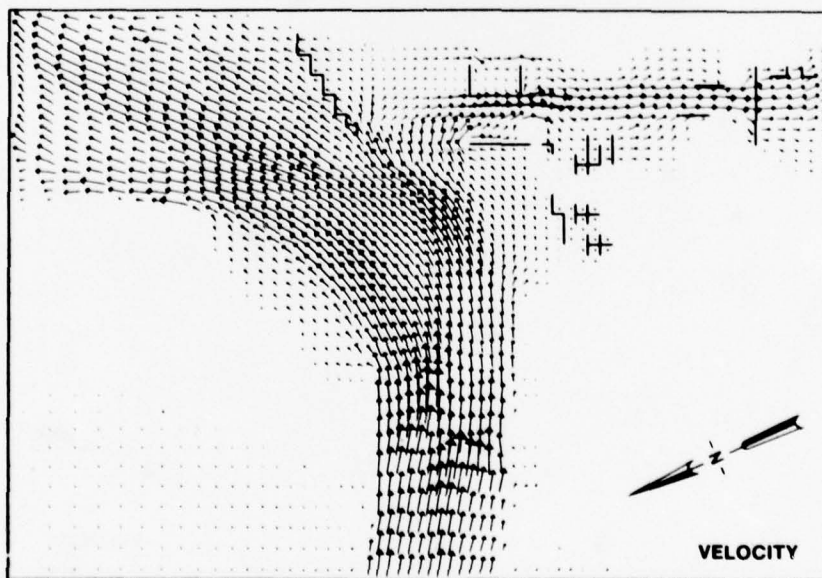
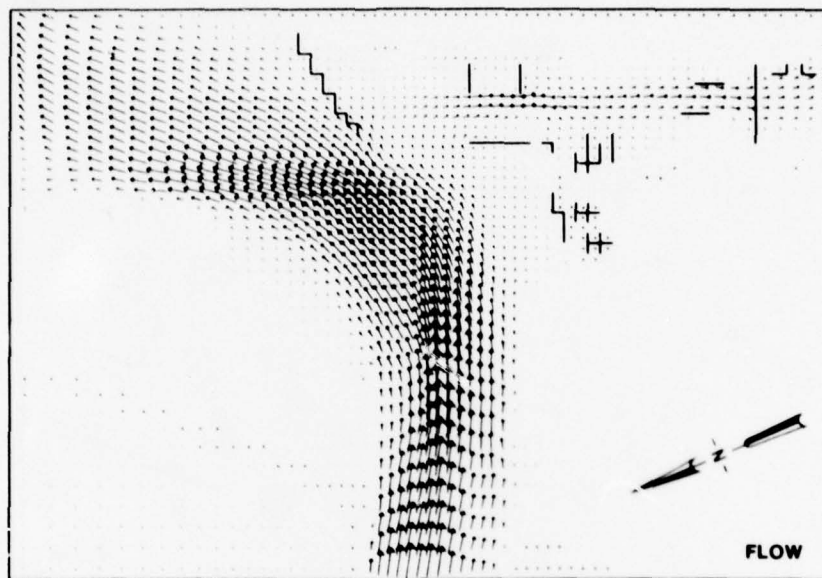
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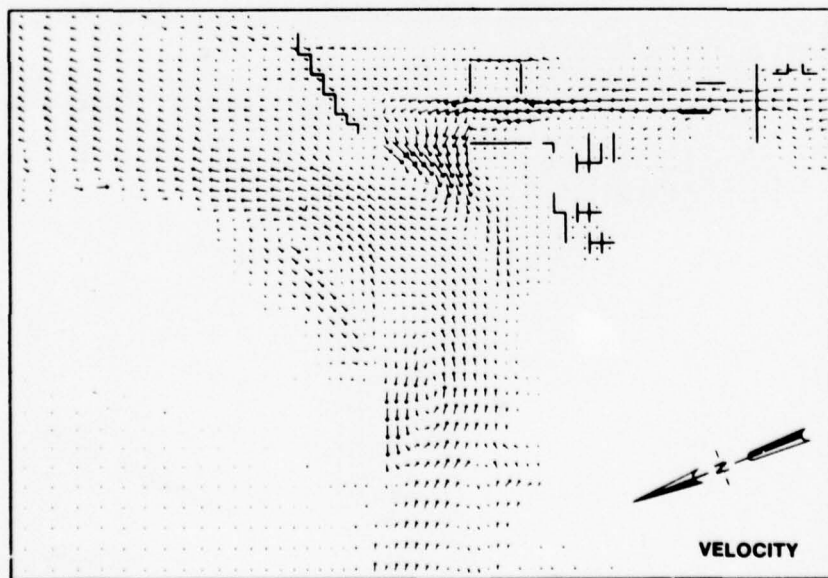
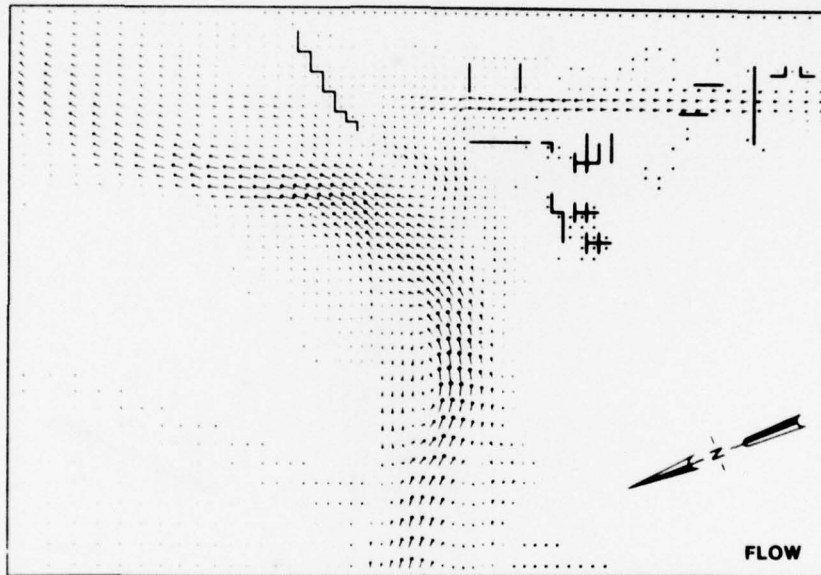
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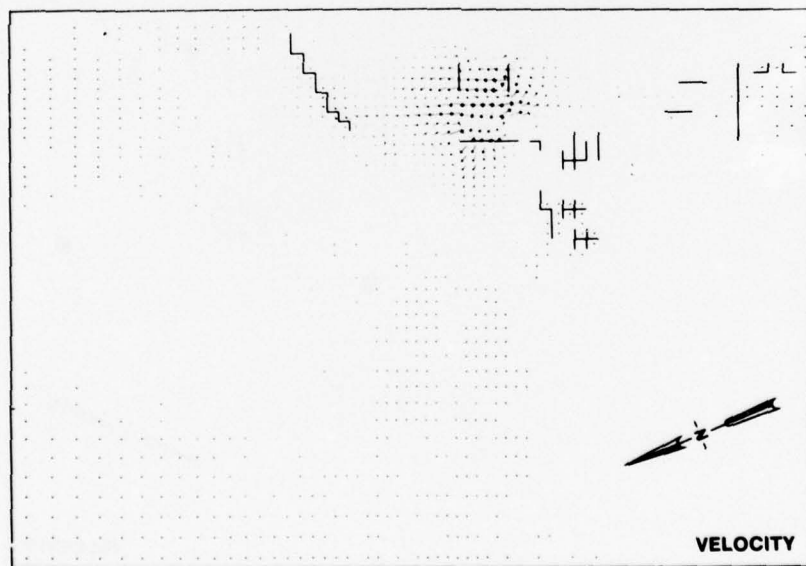
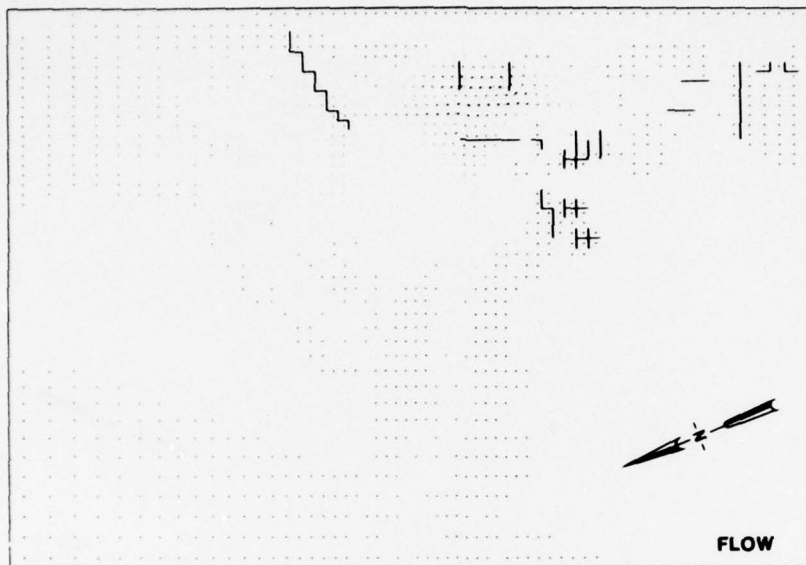


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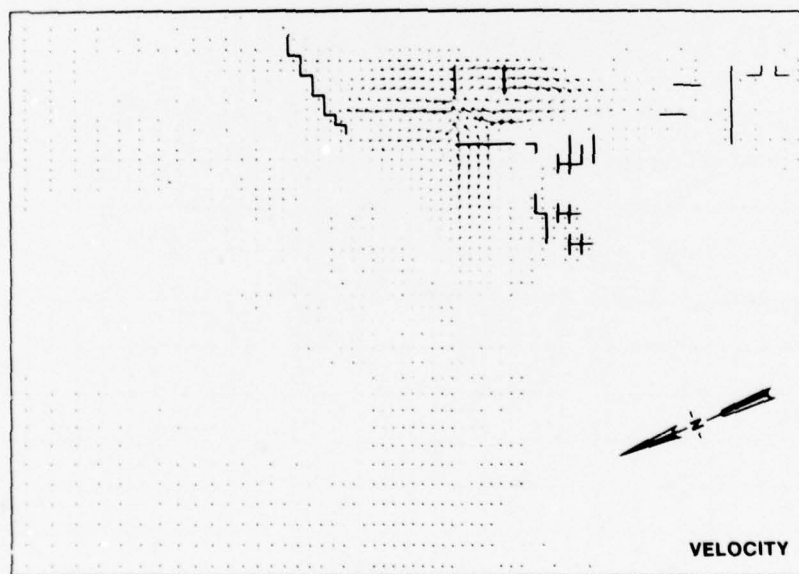
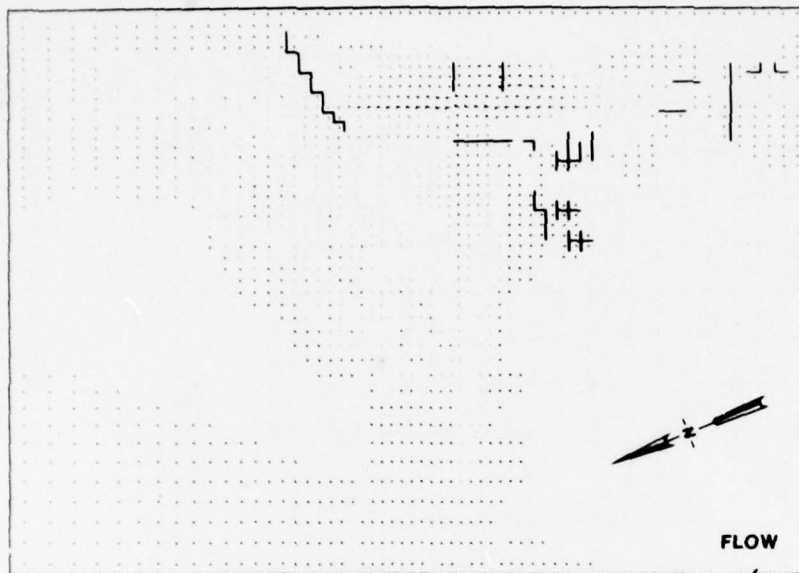


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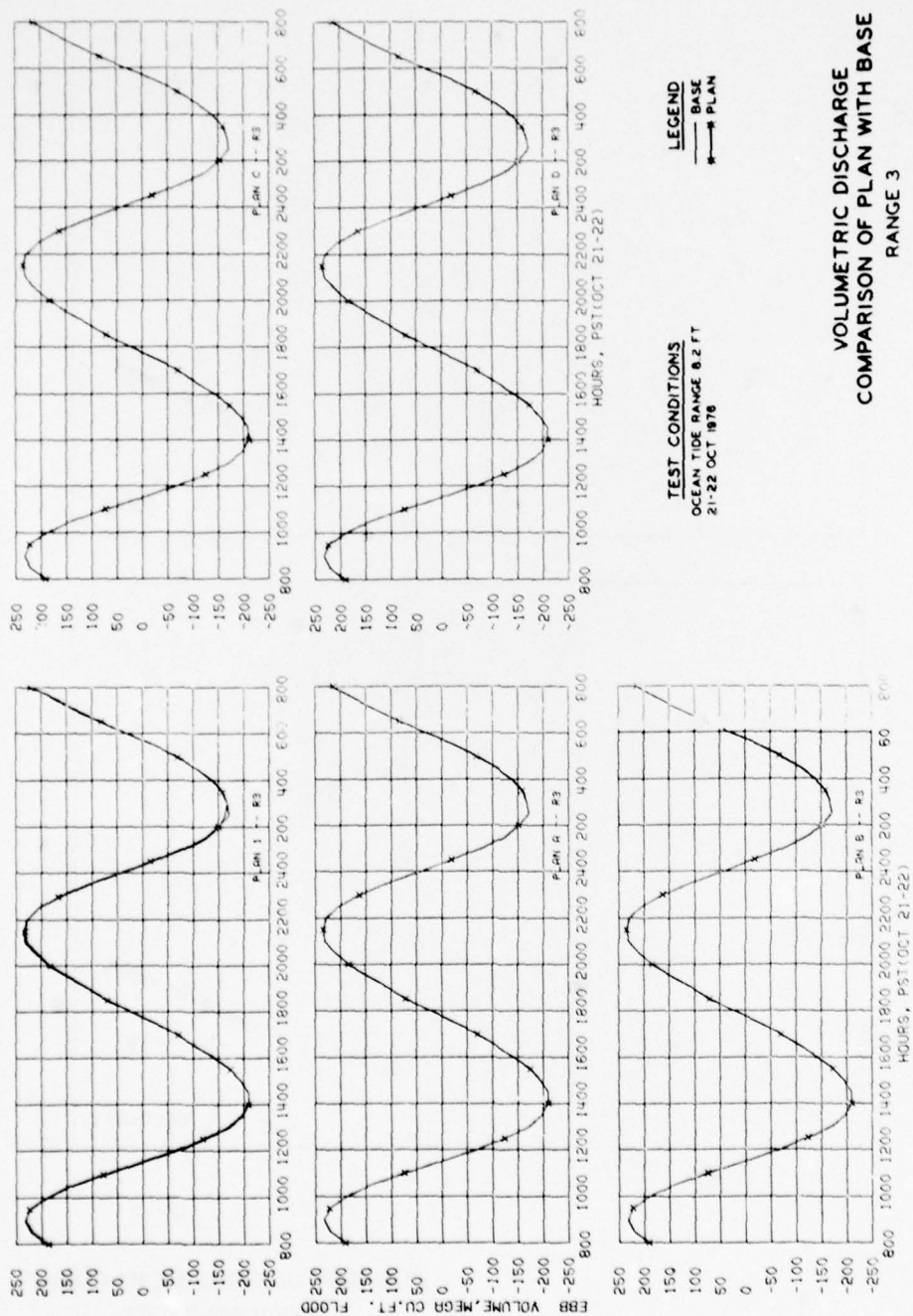
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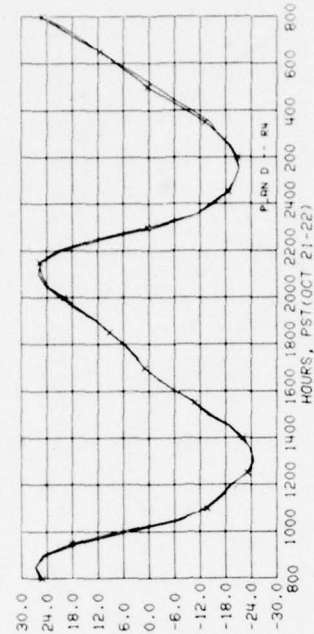
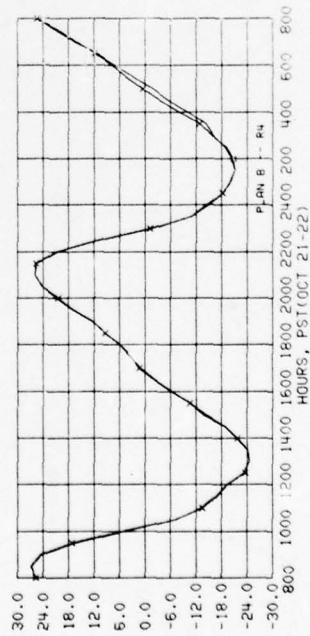
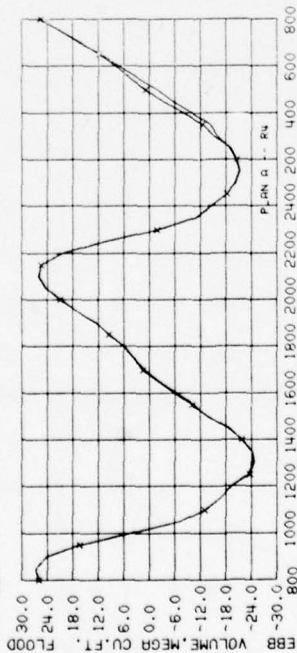
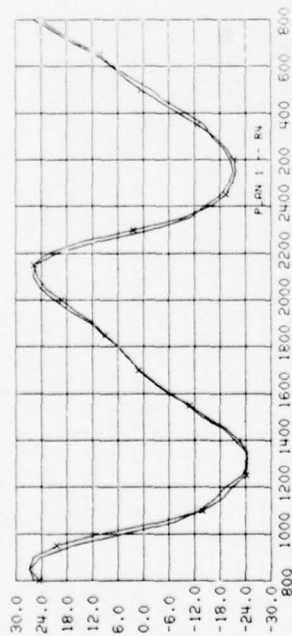


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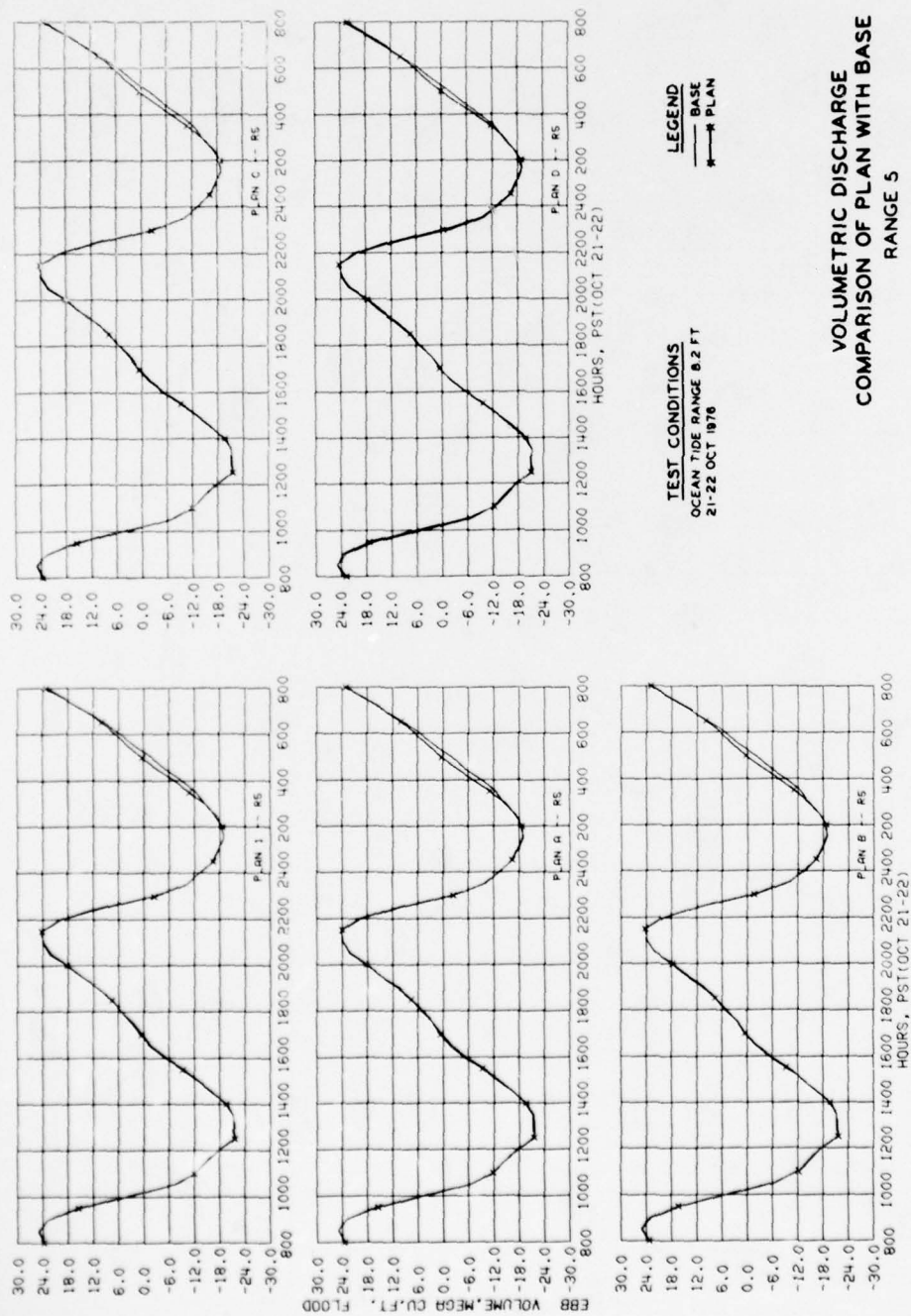


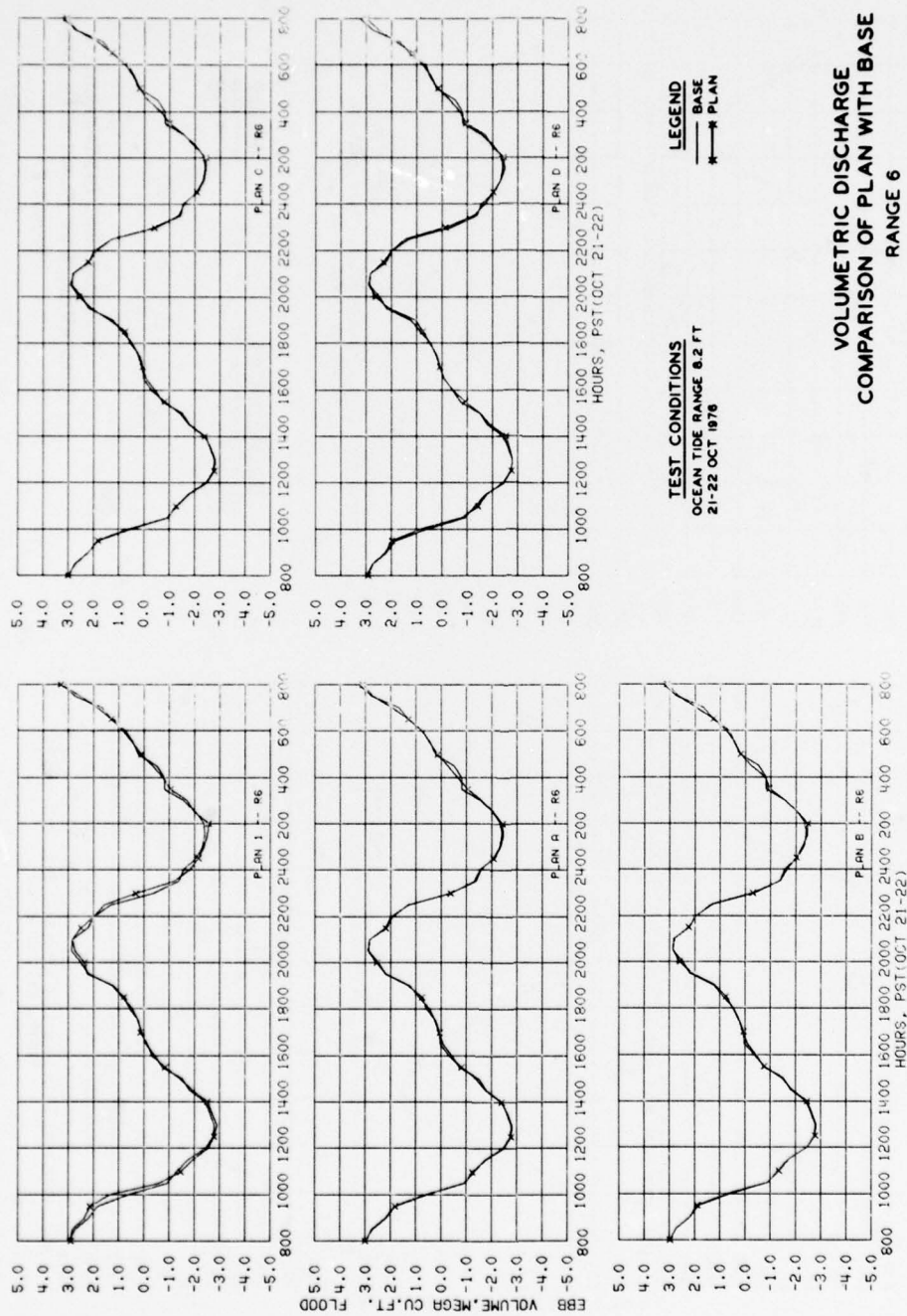


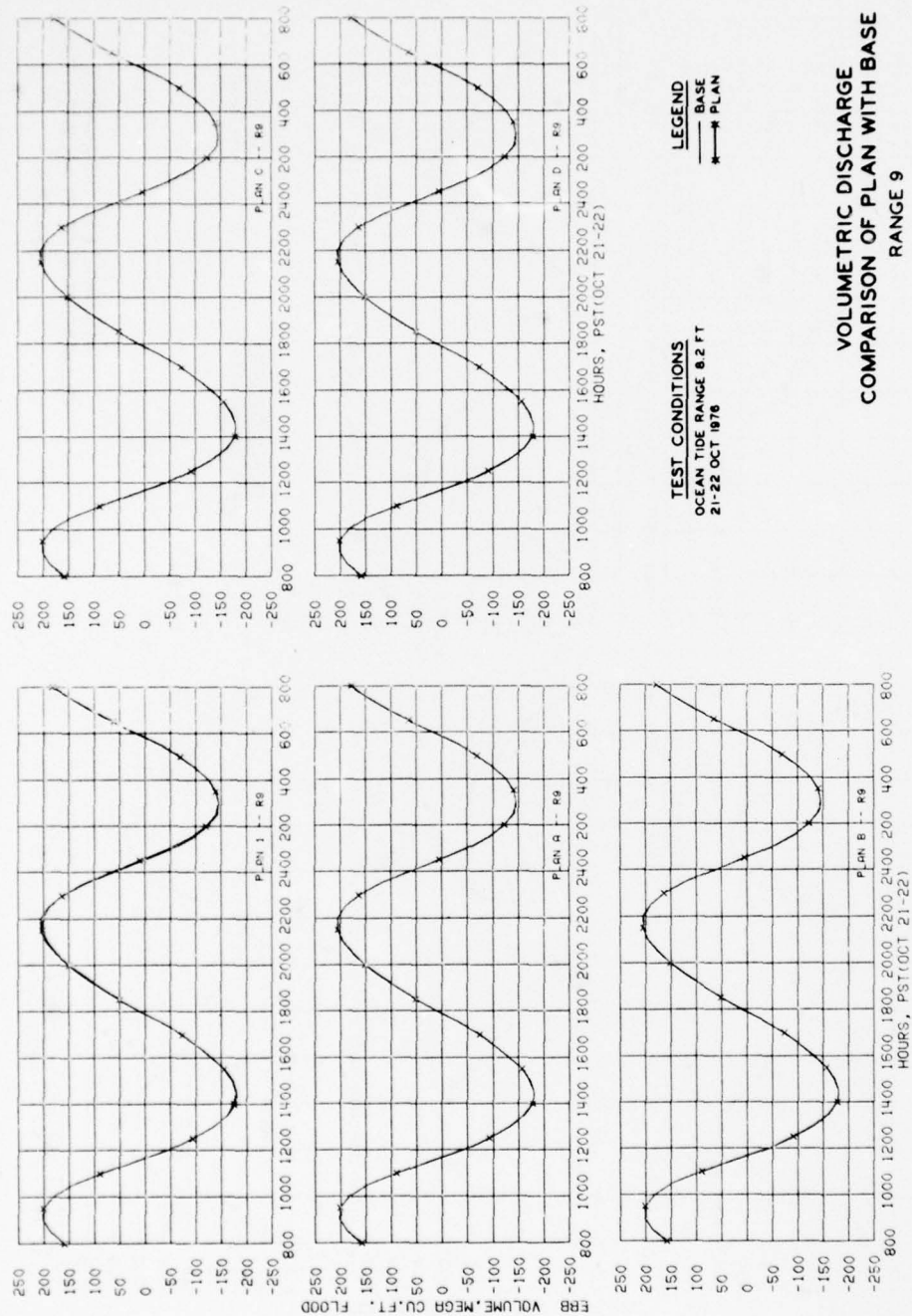
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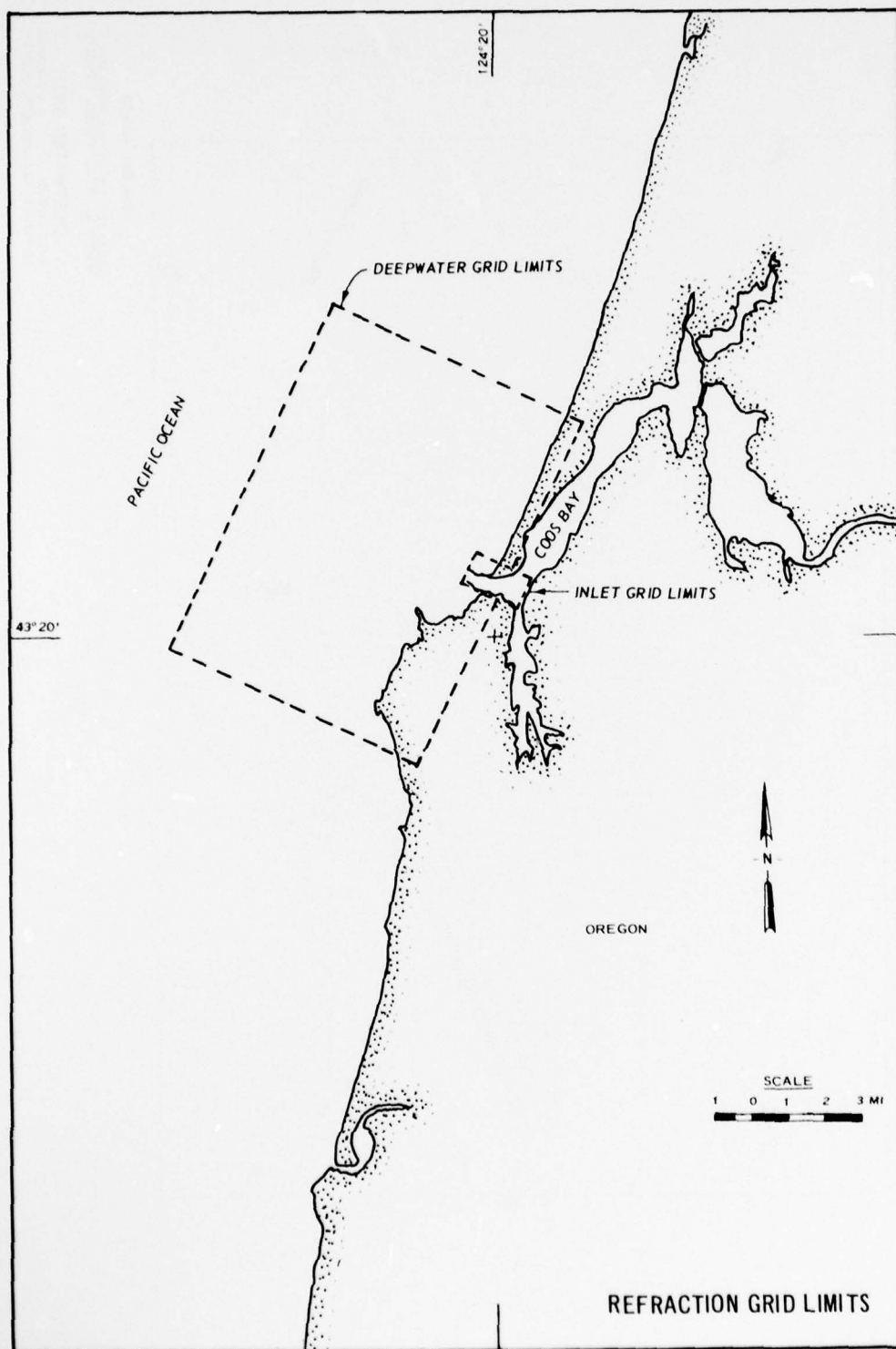
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VOLUMETRIC DISCHARGE COMPARISON OF PLAN WITH BASE RANGE 4









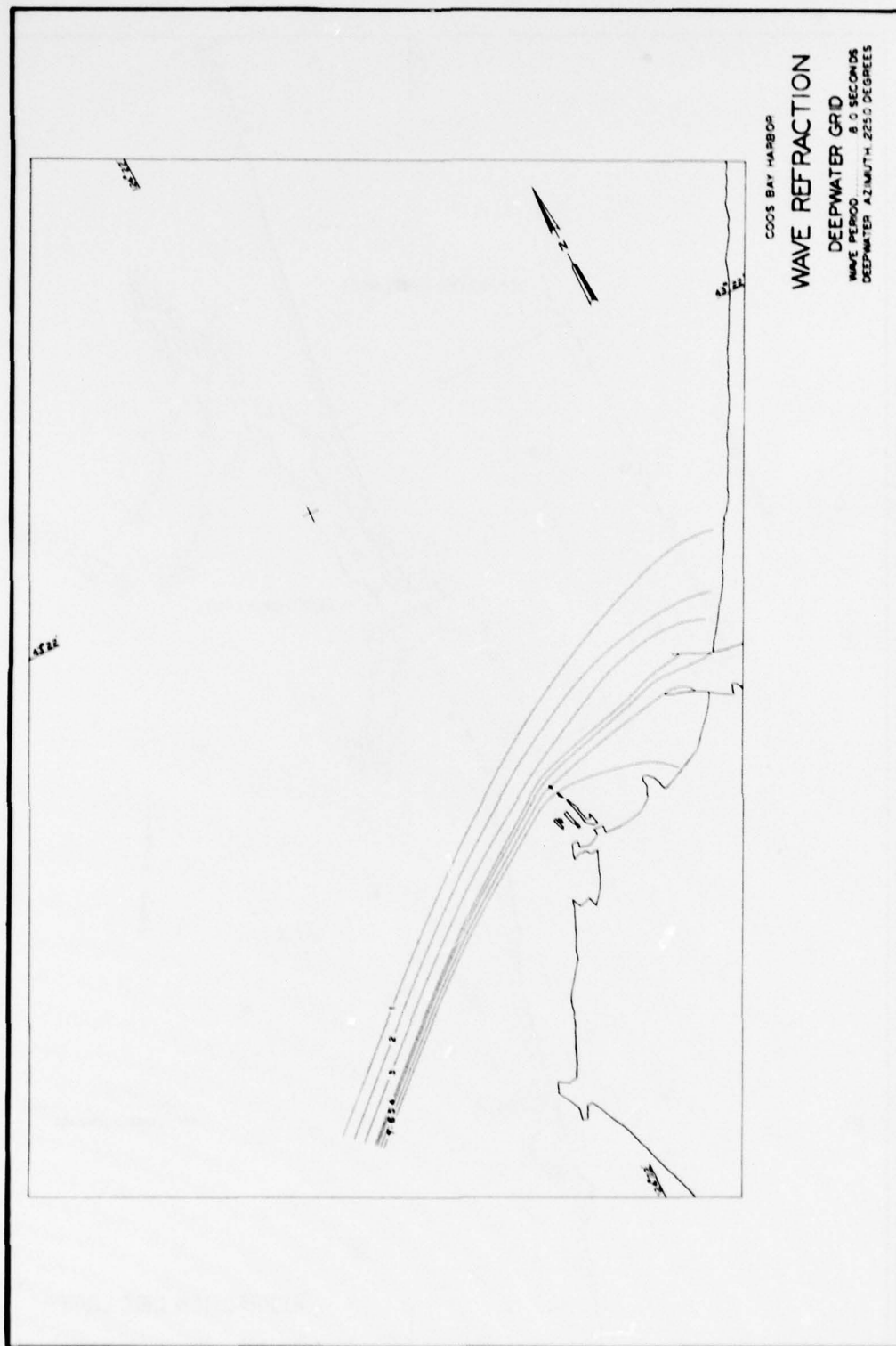
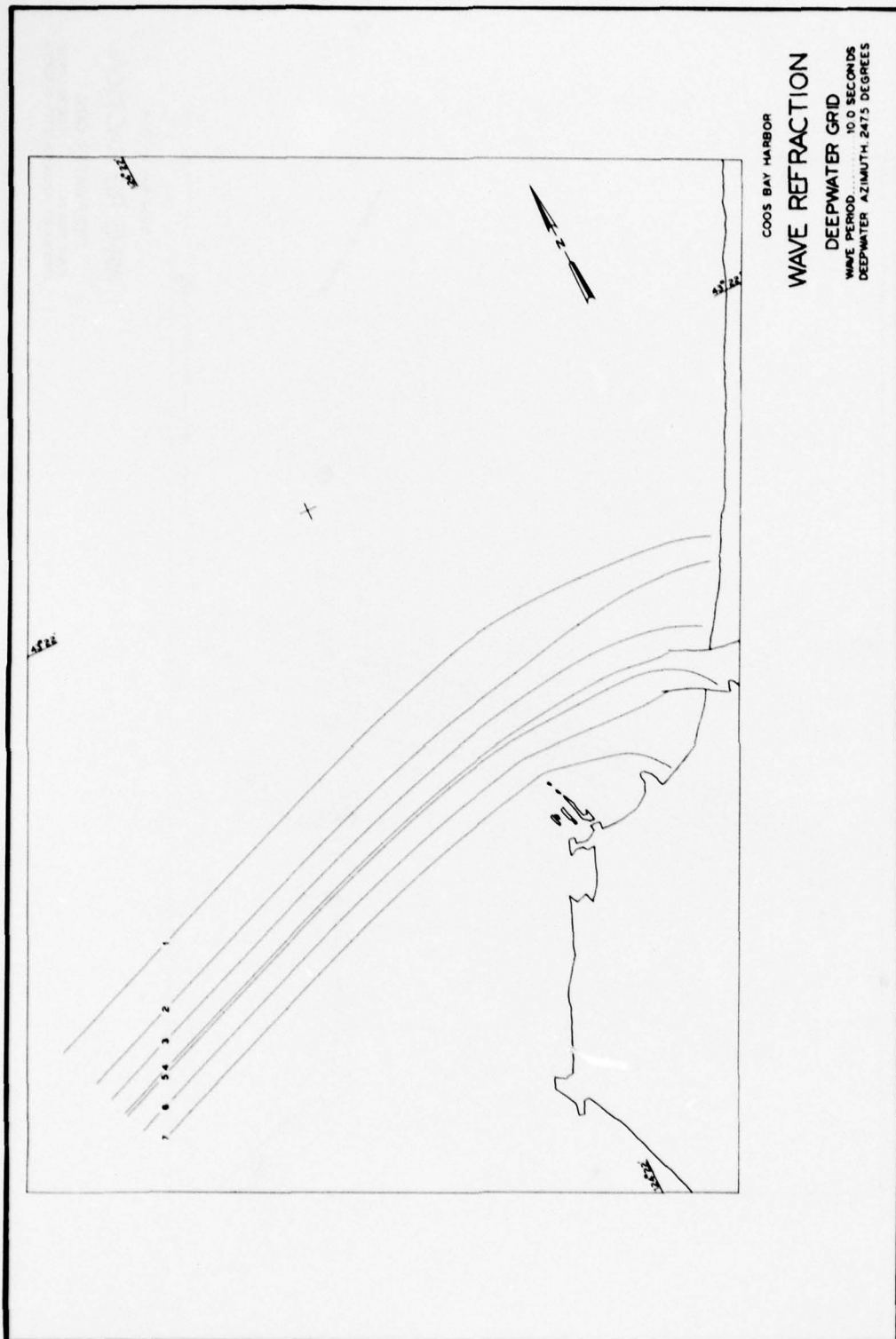


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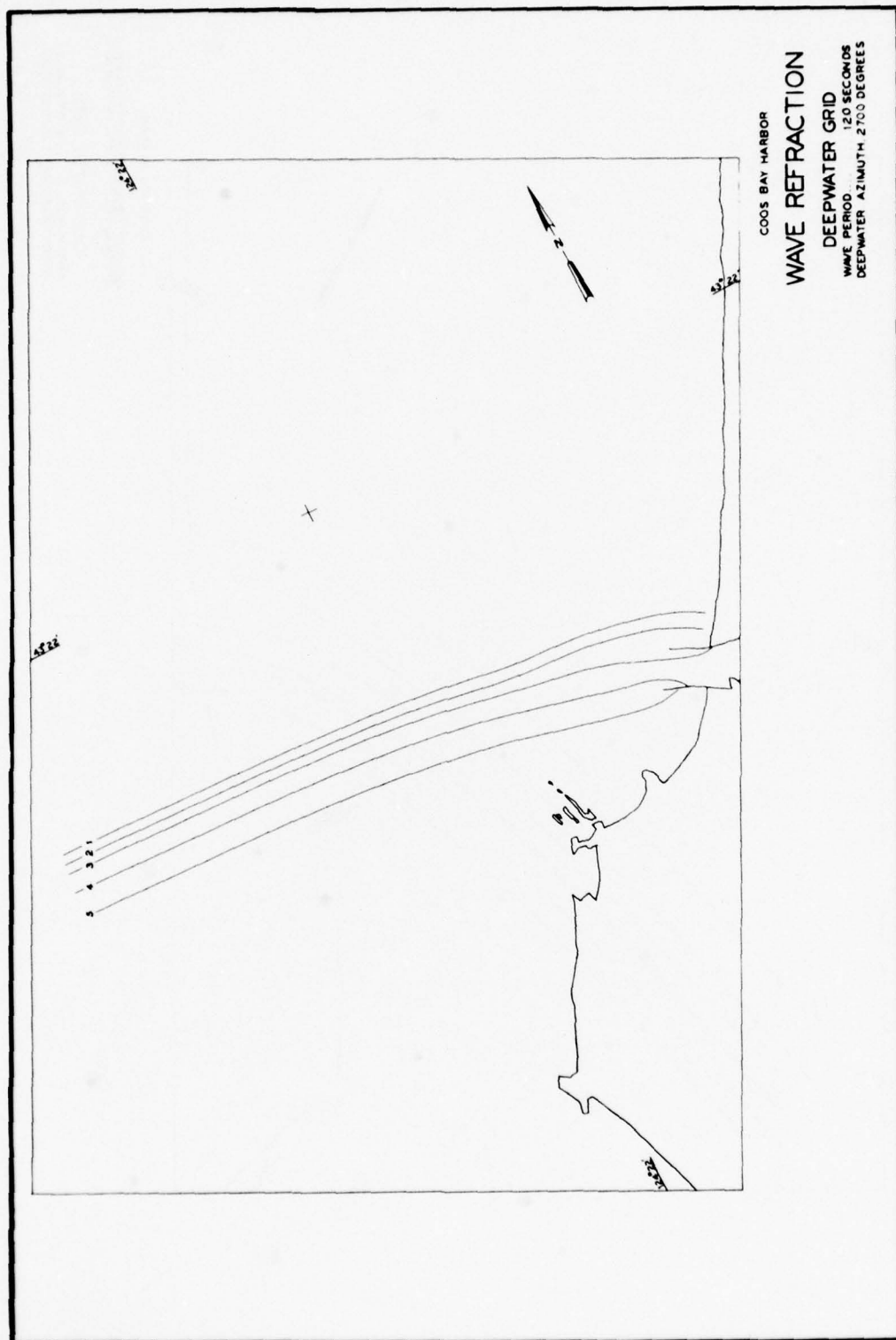
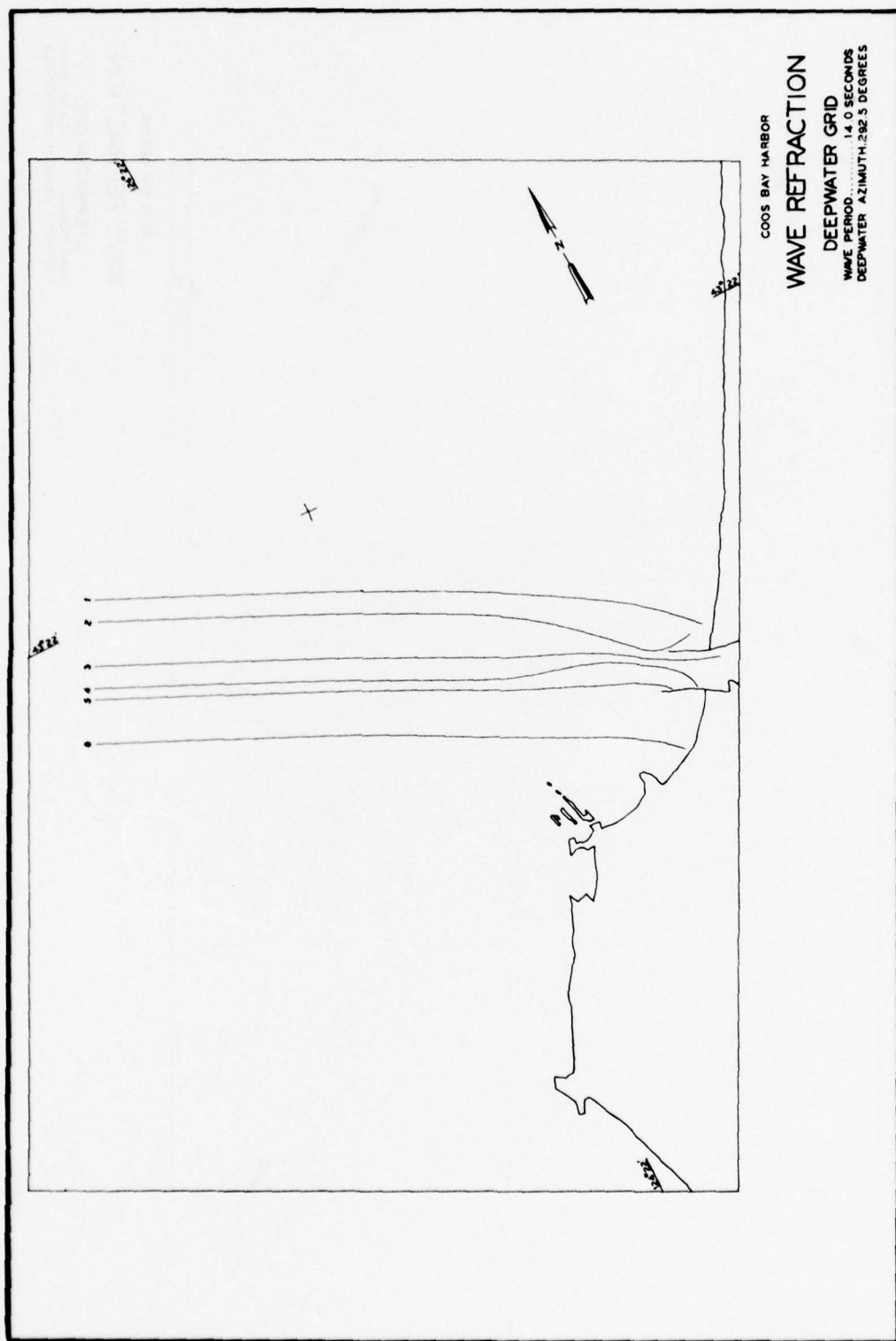


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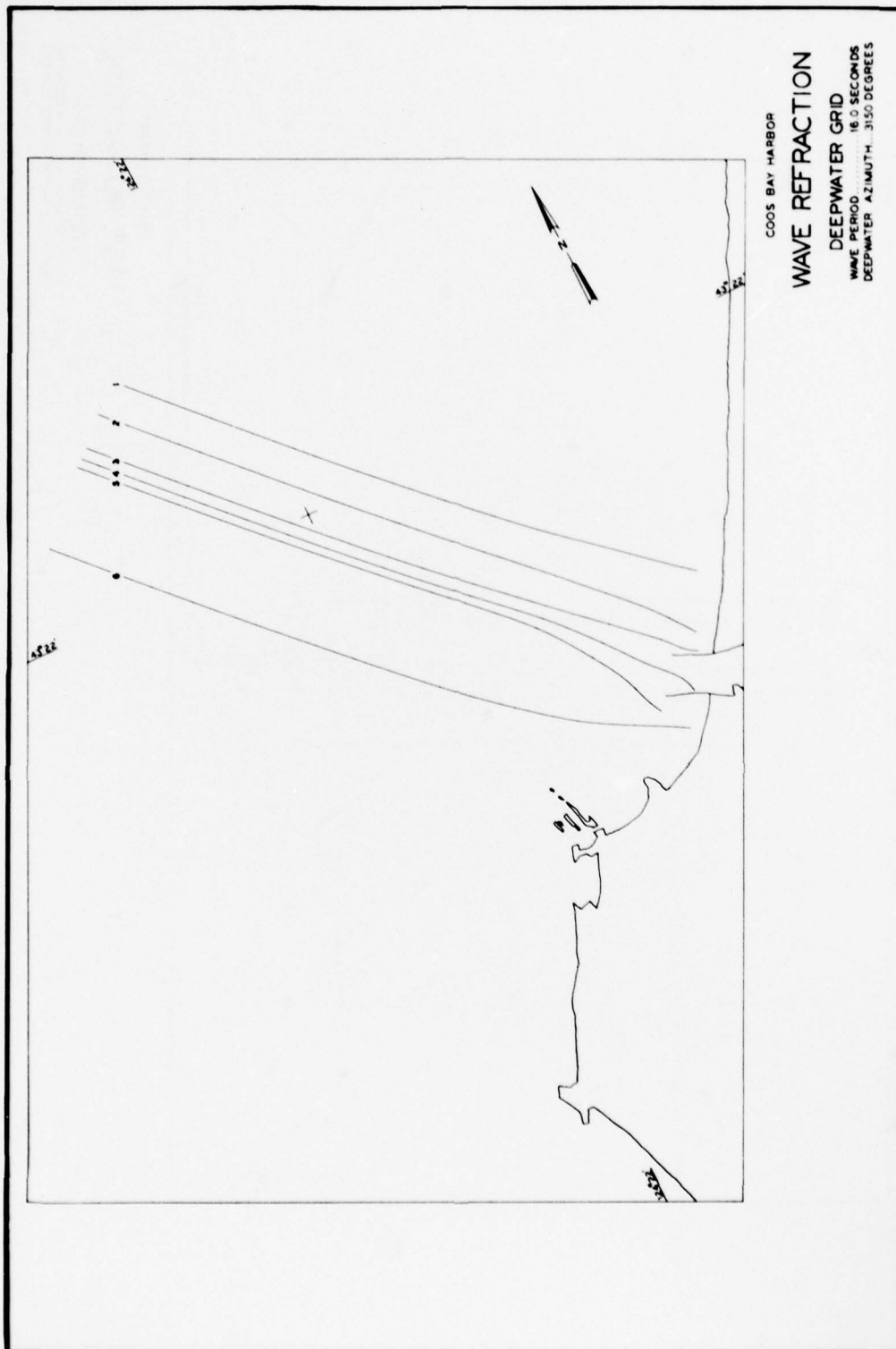
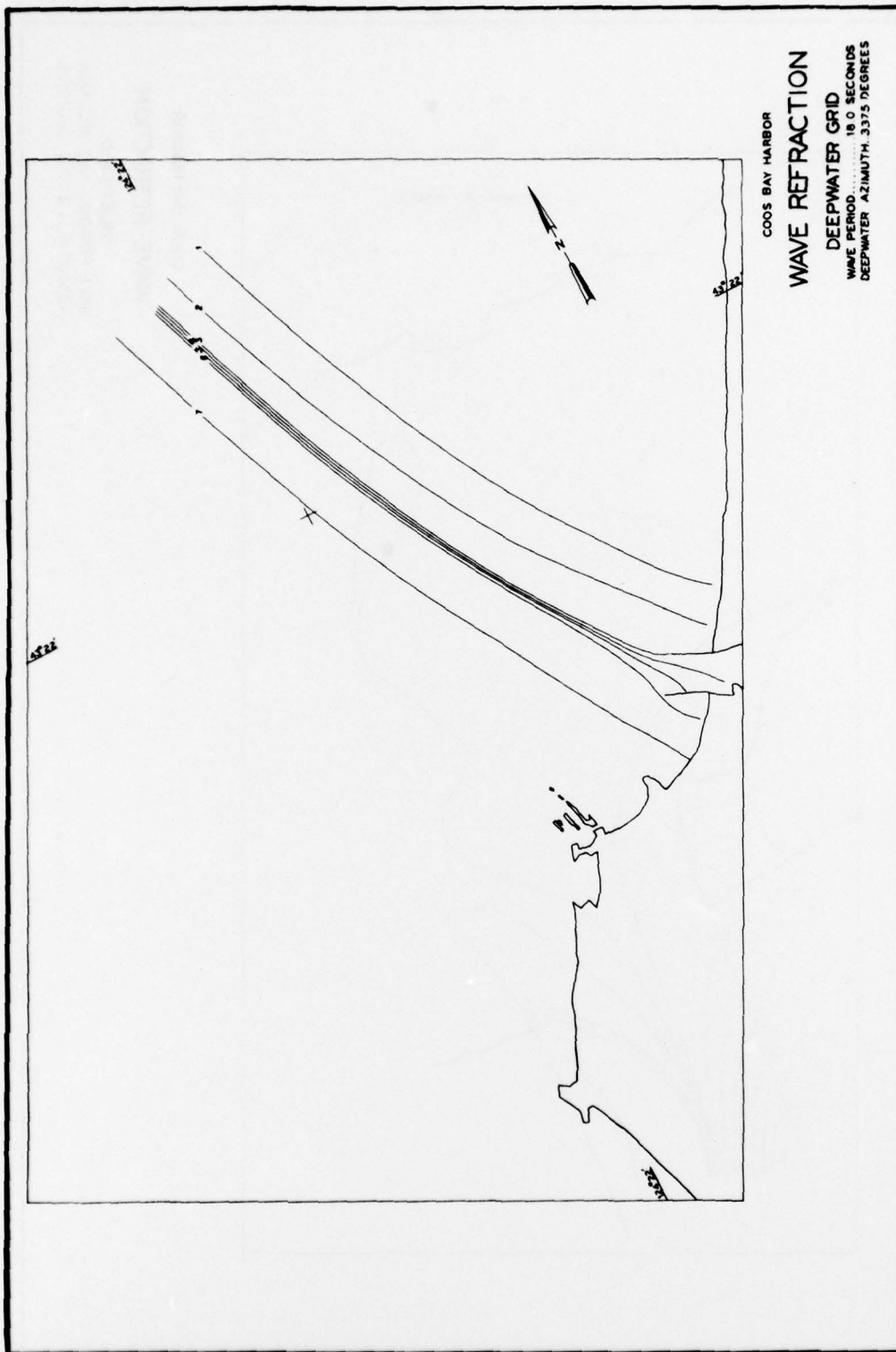
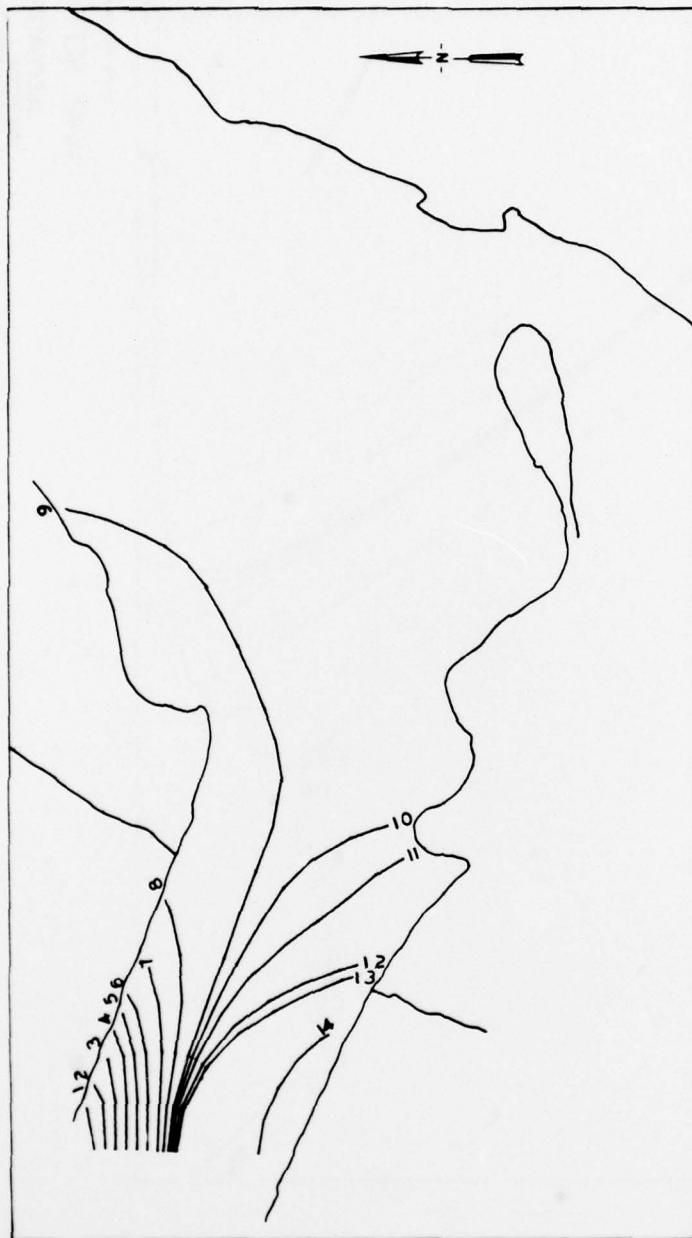


PLATE 78





COOS BAY HARBOR
WAVE REFRACTION
INLET GRID
WAVE PERIOD... 12.0 SECONDS
AZIMUTH... 272.5 DEGREES



COOS BAY HARBOR

WAVE REFRACTION

INLET GRID

WAVE PERIOD...12.0 SECONDS
AZIMUTH...276.5 DEGREES

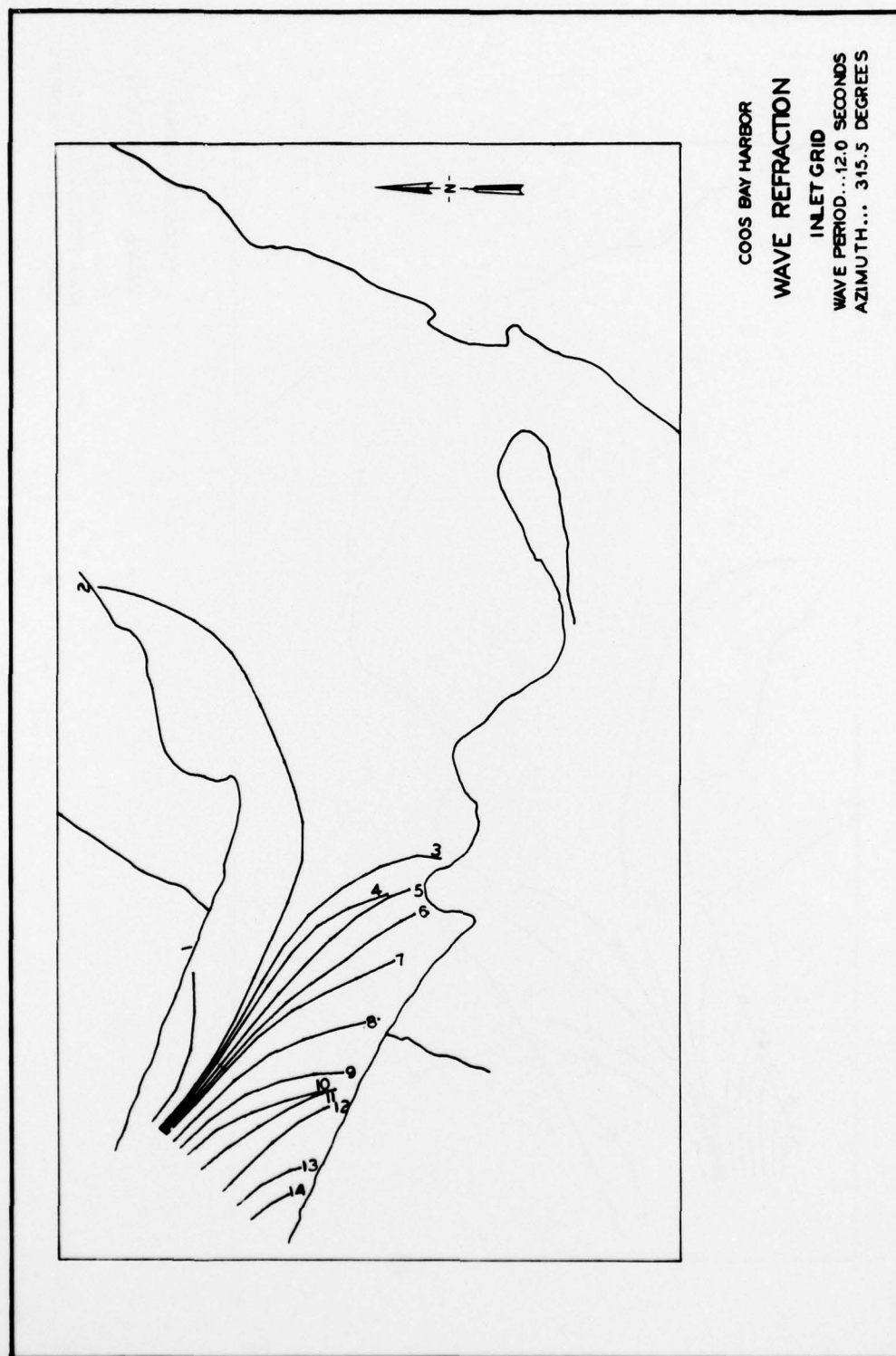
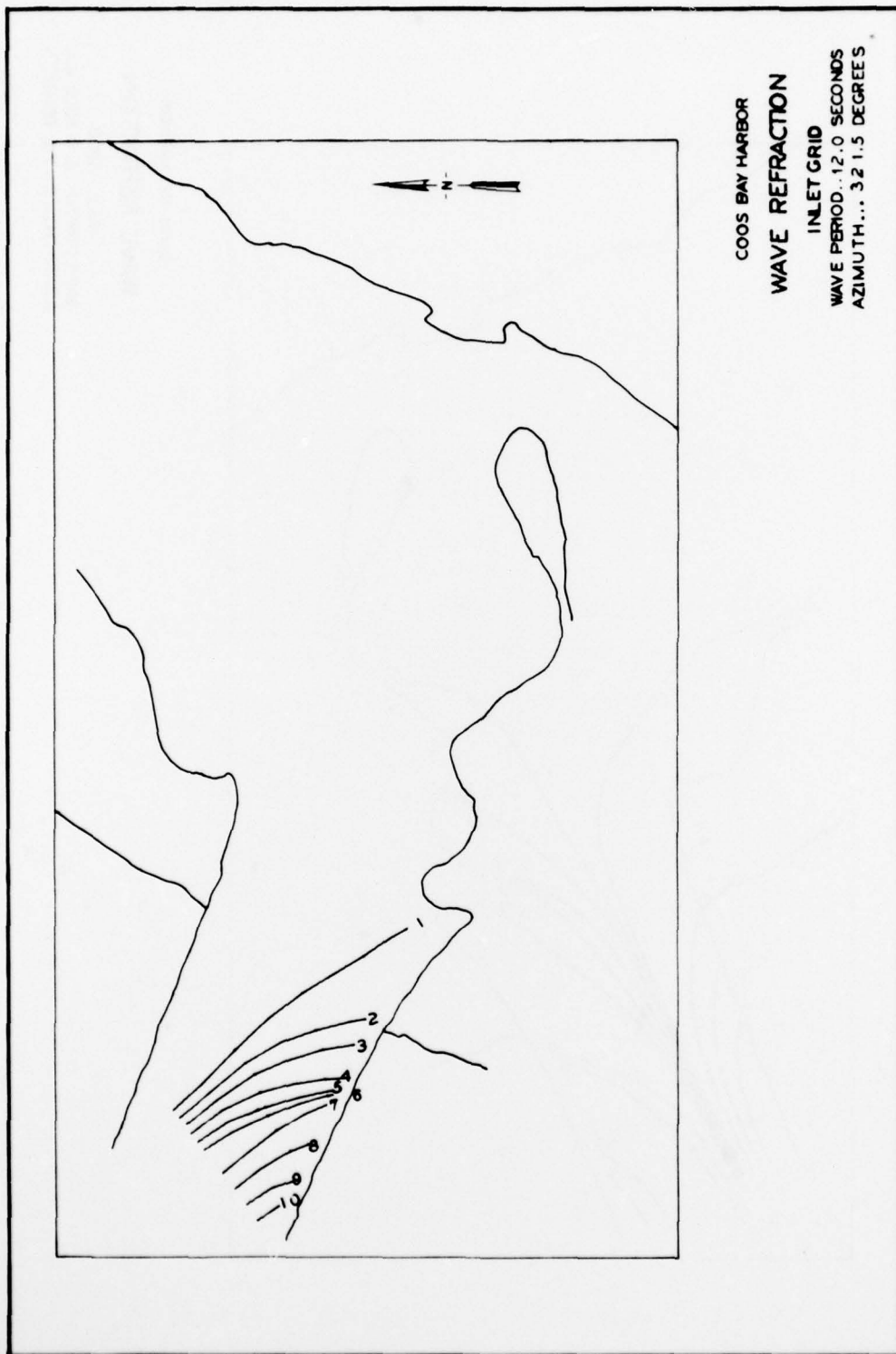


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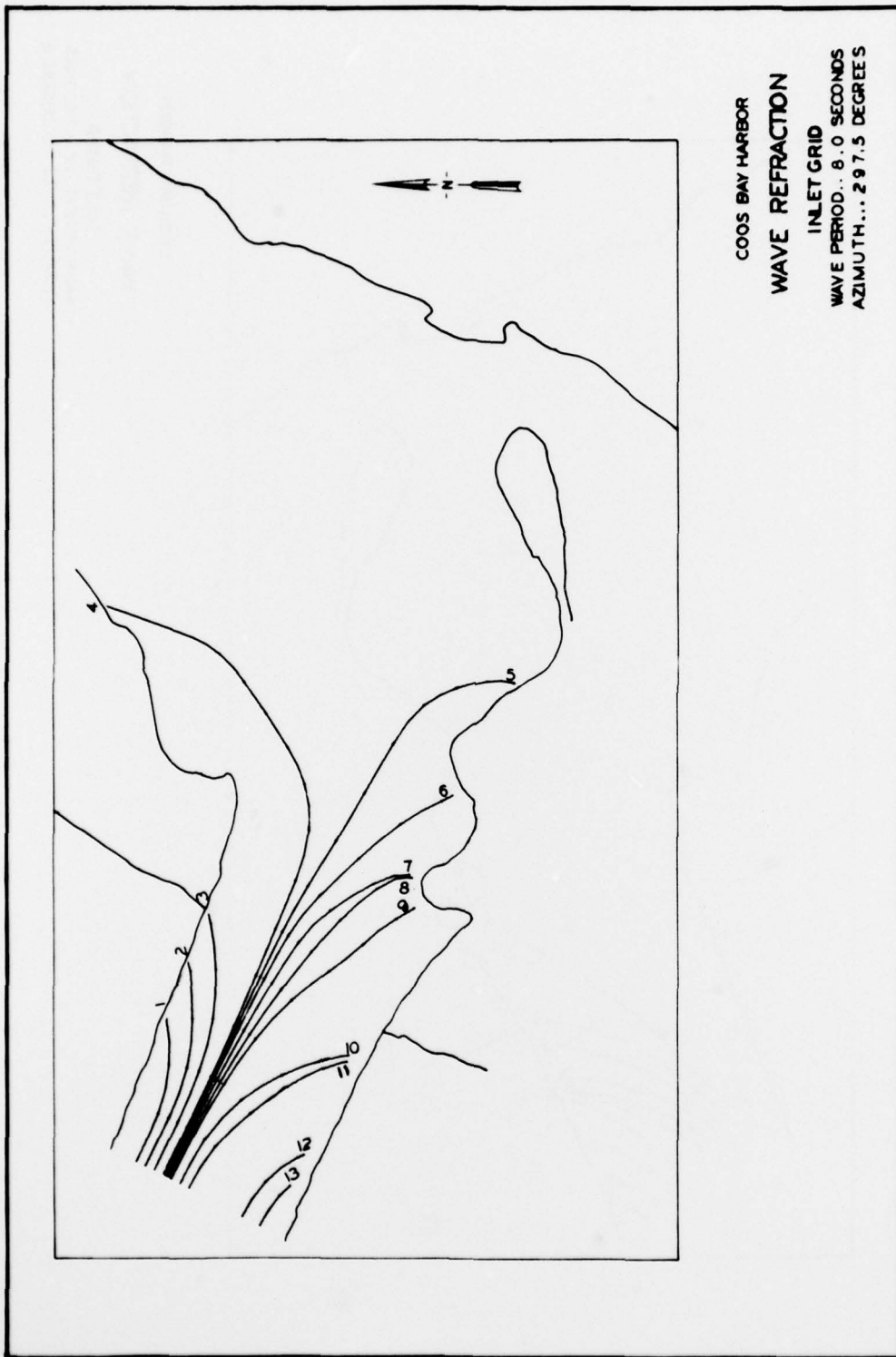
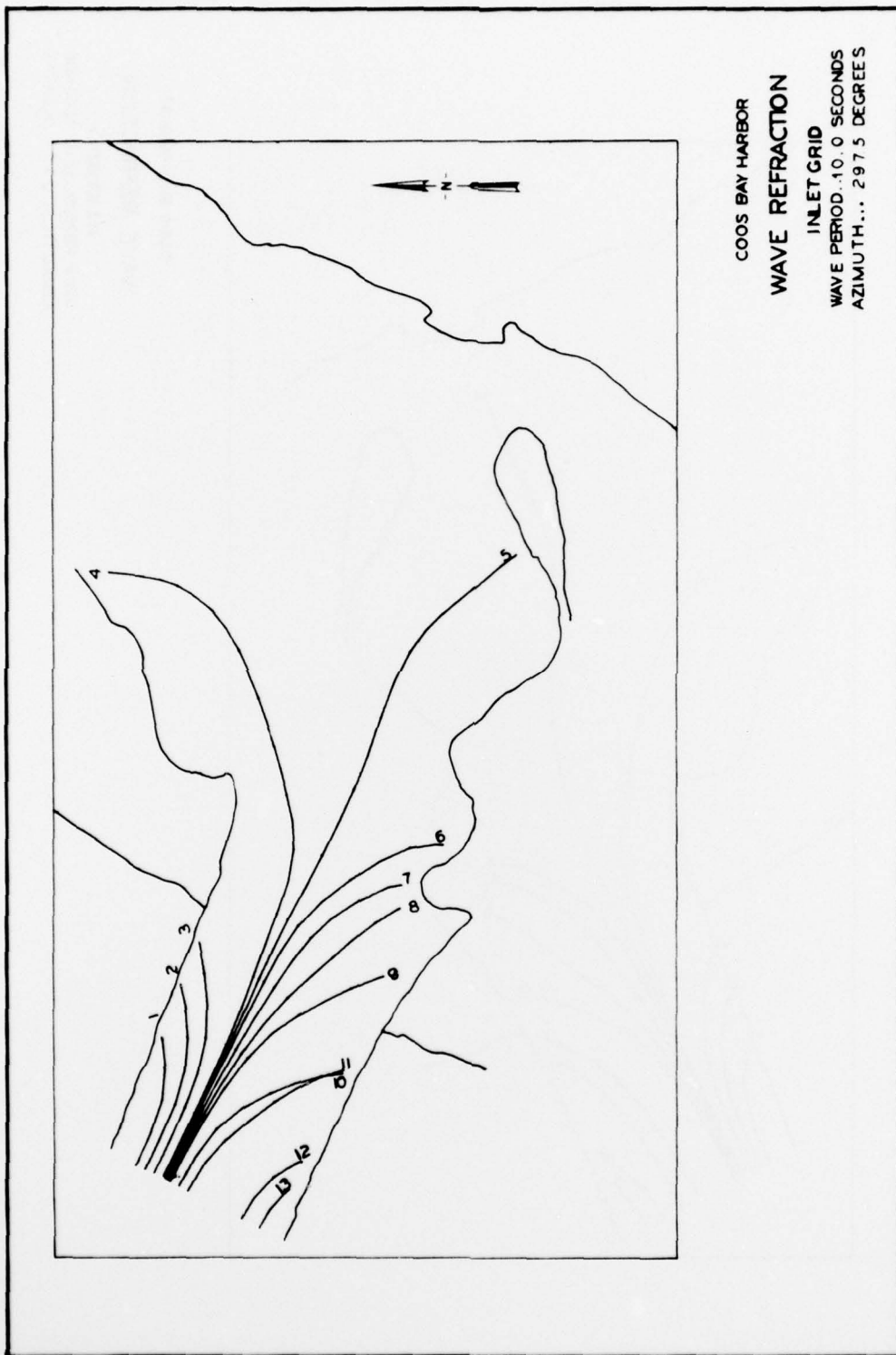
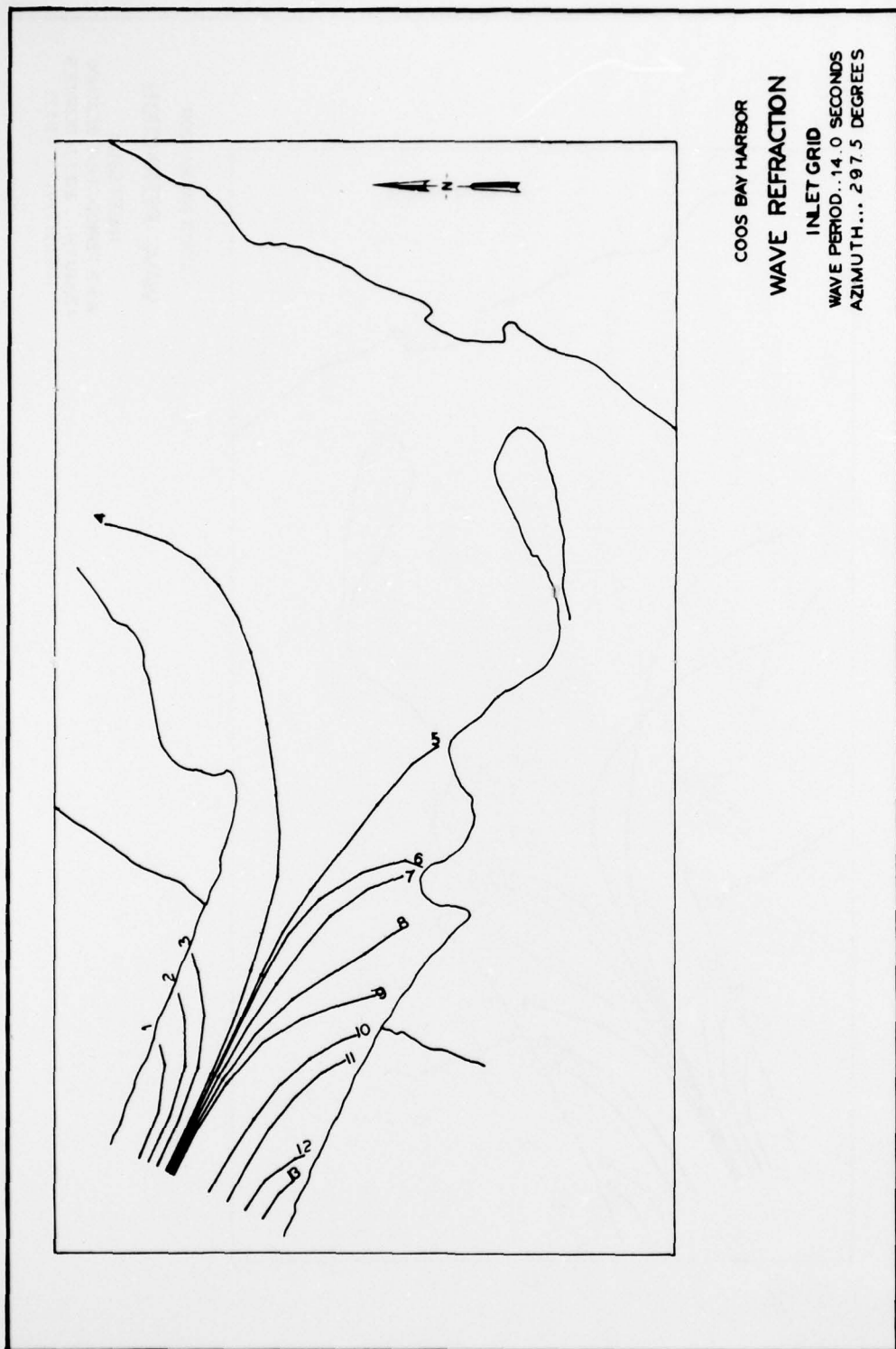


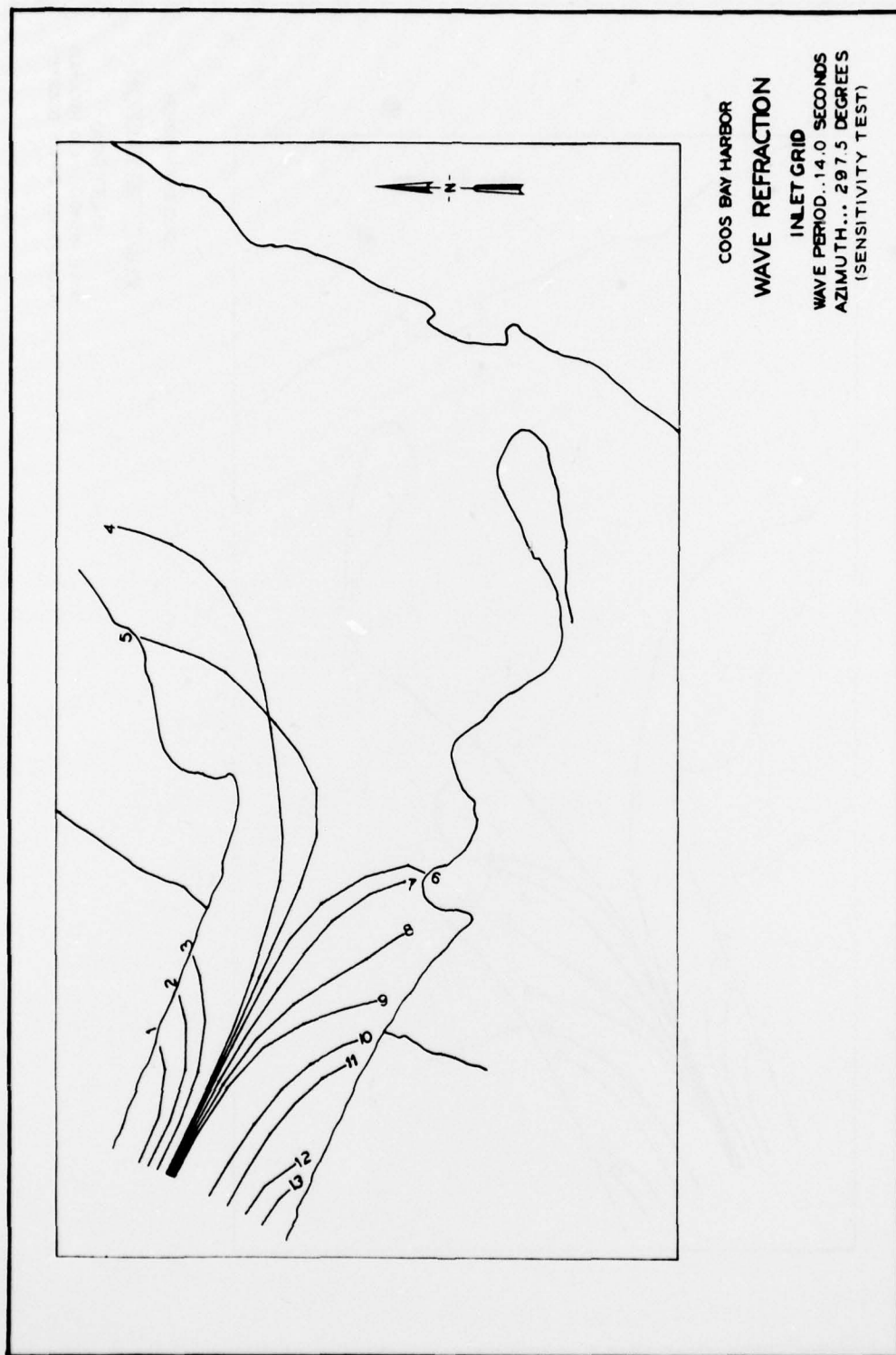
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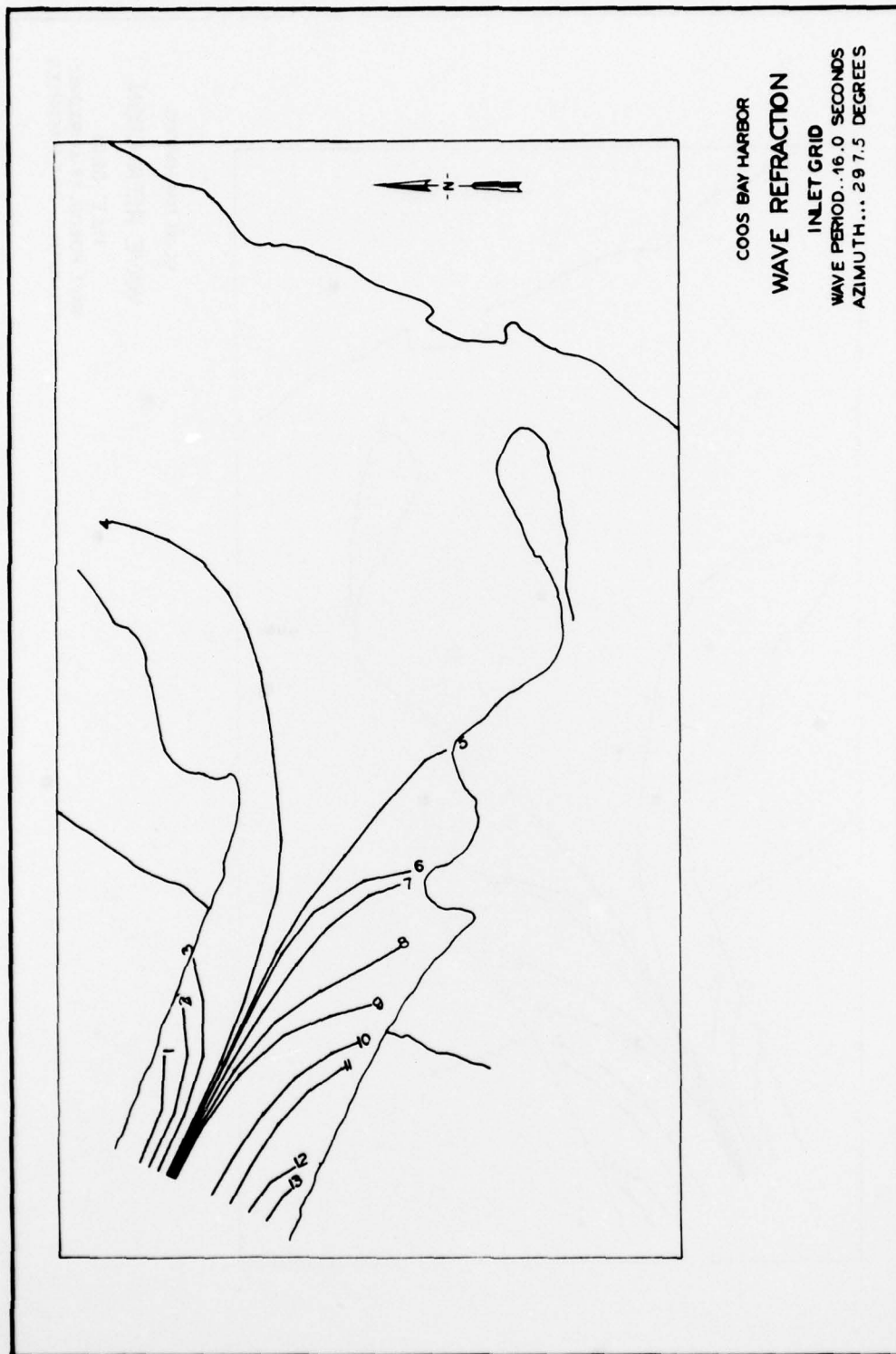


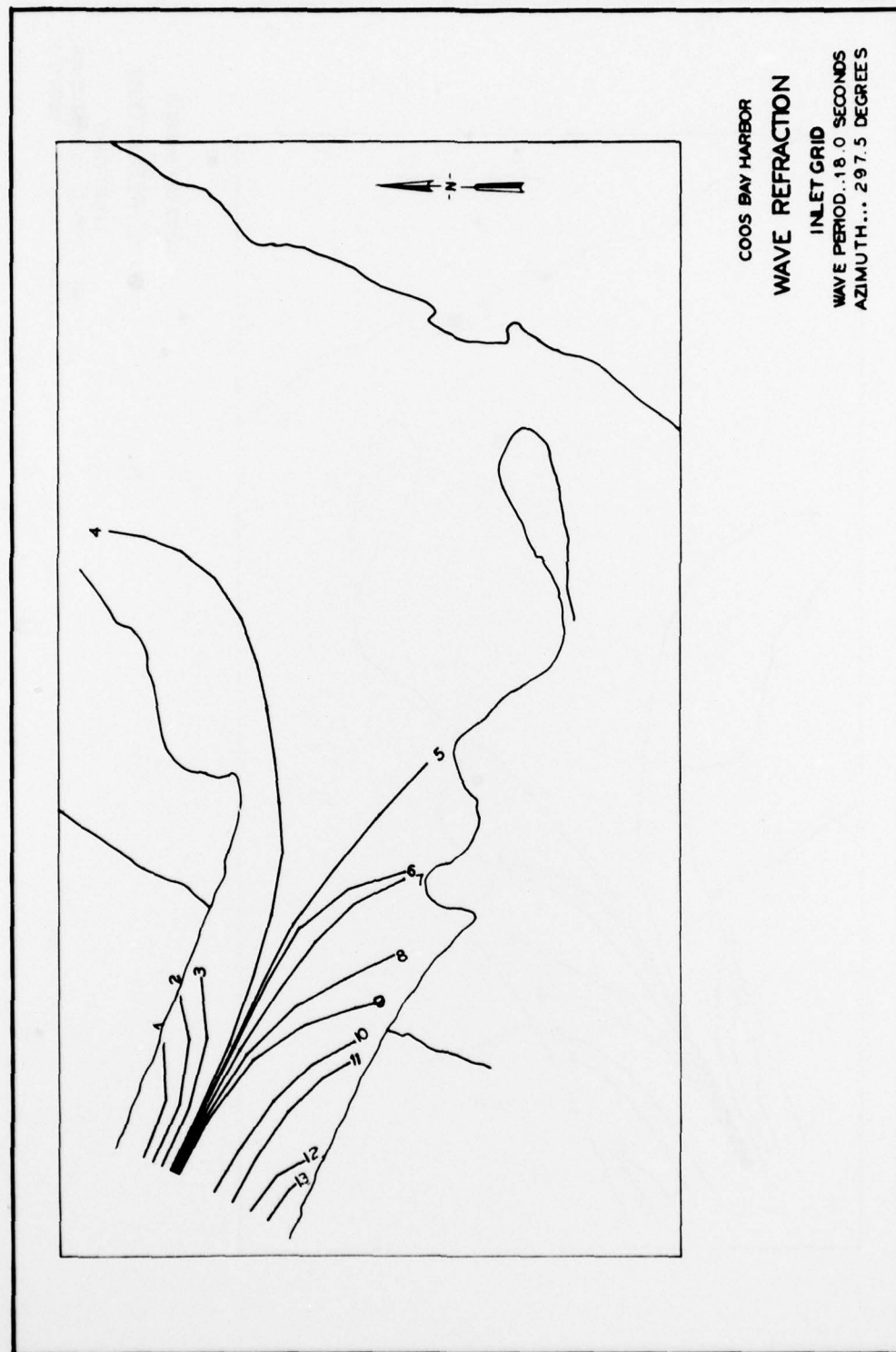


COOS BAY HARBOR
WAVE REFRACTION
INLET GRID
WAVE PERIOD...12.0 SECONDS
AZIMUTH... 297.5 DEGREES









APPENDIX A: NOTATION

a, b, c	Arbitrary constants
b	Barrier height (Figure 5)
C	Chezy frictional coefficient
C_0	Admittance coefficient
d	Total water depth
d_H	Water depth over barrier
f	Coriolis parameter
F_x, F_y	External forcing functions
$F_{\alpha_1}, F_{\alpha_2}$	External forcing functions in computational space
g	Acceleration due to gravity
h	Land-surface elevation
H_0	Wave height in deep water
K_r	Refraction coefficient
K_s	Shoaling coefficient
M, N	Indices denoting spatial increments in the x and y direction
n	Manning's frictional coefficient
R	Rate at which additional water is introduced into or taken from the system (rainfall minus evaporation)
t	Time
U, V	Vertically integrated horizontal transports per unit width
W	Vertical transport
x, y, z	Cartesian coordinates
α	Independent variable in computational space
$\Delta_{\alpha_1}, \Delta_{\alpha_2}$	Spatial steps in computational space
ϵ	Small depth of water
η	Water-surface elevation
μ_1, μ_2	Grid transformation stretching factors

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