

# APPENDIX "K"

## WEIR AND ORIFICE FLOW

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- A. **WEIRS** A weir is a notch of regular form through which water flows. The term is also applied to a structure containing such a notch (Brater & King). Weirs may be a depression in a tank or reservoir, and overflow drain, a channel, or other non-closed opening through which water may flow. Various types of weirs are further defined in Appendix "R".
1. **Weir Shape** Weirs are classified by the shape of the opening, such as rectangular, triangular (V-notch), and trapezoidal. Typical weir shapes, along with parameter terms used herein, are shown on Figure "K-1" on page K-4.
  2. **Weir Profile** Weirs are further classified by the cross sectional shape over which the water will flow, such as sharp-crested, not sharp-crested, and broadcrested weirs. These are depicted in Figure "K-2" on page K-5.
  3. **Weir Crest Length** Weirs are also classified by how wide the weir crest is with respect to the approach flow. Suppressed weirs are shown on Figure "K-3" (page K-6), and contracted weirs on Figure "K-4" (page K-7).
  4. **Weir Tailwater** Another classification of weirs pertains to whether or not the weir operates under free or submerged discharge conditions, which is depicted on Figure "K-5" on page K-8.
  5. **Weir Equations** Weir equations for the various classifications discussed above and depicted in Figures "K-1" through "K-5" are provided on Table "K-1" on page K-9, which also provides appropriate "C" values or refers to Table "K-2" or "K-3" on pages K-10 and 11.
  6. **Weir Roadway Overtopping** This usually occurs at a sag vertical curve in a roadway. The flow will be similar to flow over a broadcrested weir, usually with the need to approximate head and length inasmuch as the roadway elevation is not constant. Procedures for analyzing roadway overtopping with or without culvert flow, and more detailed discharge "C" values for roadway overtopping, are provided in Appendix "L", Section B-2, and exemplified in Section B-4d.

B. **ORIFICE** An orifice is a horizontal or vertical opening with a closed perimeter through which water flows. If the perimeter is not closed, or if the horizontal or vertical opening has only partially full flow, the orifice acts as a weir.

1. **Orifice Head** The head "H" used in the orifice equation is the distance between the water surface and center of orifice for free discharge conditions, and the difference in elevation of water surfaces for submerged orifices. This is depicted on Figure "K-6" on page K-12.

2. **When An Orifice Functions As A Weir**

a. **Vertical Orifices** With vertical openings, such as are used for curb opening inlets and small bleed-off facilities, orifices act as a weir up to the depth equal to the opening height, and as an orifice at depths above 1.4 times the opening height. Between 1.0 and 1.4 times the opening height, flow is in transition between weir and orifice flow.

b. **Horizontal Orifices** The depth at which a horizontal orifice acts as a weir varies depending upon the opening size, shape, and grate type (if any). Based upon information provided in HEC-12, it appears that in the range of 1 ft<sup>2</sup> to 4 ft<sup>2</sup> (or 1 ft. diameter to 2 ft. diameter), weir flow governs up to a depth provided by the approximate relationship:

$$H = 0.08 D + 0.35'$$

Where:

H = ponding depth, ft; and

D = orifice width (length), or diameter, ft.

Ponding depths above that provided by the equation above generally result in transitional flow, which is discussed below. Reference is made to Figure "K-7" on page K-13 and Figure "K-1" on page K-4.

3. **Transitional Flow** Transitional flow will likely be different than that calculated by either the orifice or weir equation. However, error will not be significant if the orifice equation is used for transitional depths, both for horizontal and vertical orifice openings.

4. **Low Head Orifice Flow** For stormwater drainage applications, orifices are used to meter outflow from a detention facility or as a hydraulic device which intercepts flow. In either application, the head on the orifice is often low, or at least the orifice is to function per design at low heads. The low head condition requires special consideration.

Where the head on an orifice, and in particular a vertical orifice, is small compared to the height (or size) of the orifice, the orifice equation provides results which may deviate significantly from theoretical and actual discharges. Rather than derive a separate equation

for such conditions, the coefficient of discharge ("C"), which is the product of the coefficient of velocity and coefficient of contraction, may be adjusted to counteract discrepancies. Experimentally, the "C" value has been "calibrated" to provide acceptable results for various conditions, including low head, and therefore with use of the appropriate "C" value, the same orifice equation may be use under various conditions.

5. Orifice Equation Orifice flow shall be calculated by

$$Q = CA (2gH)^{0.5}$$

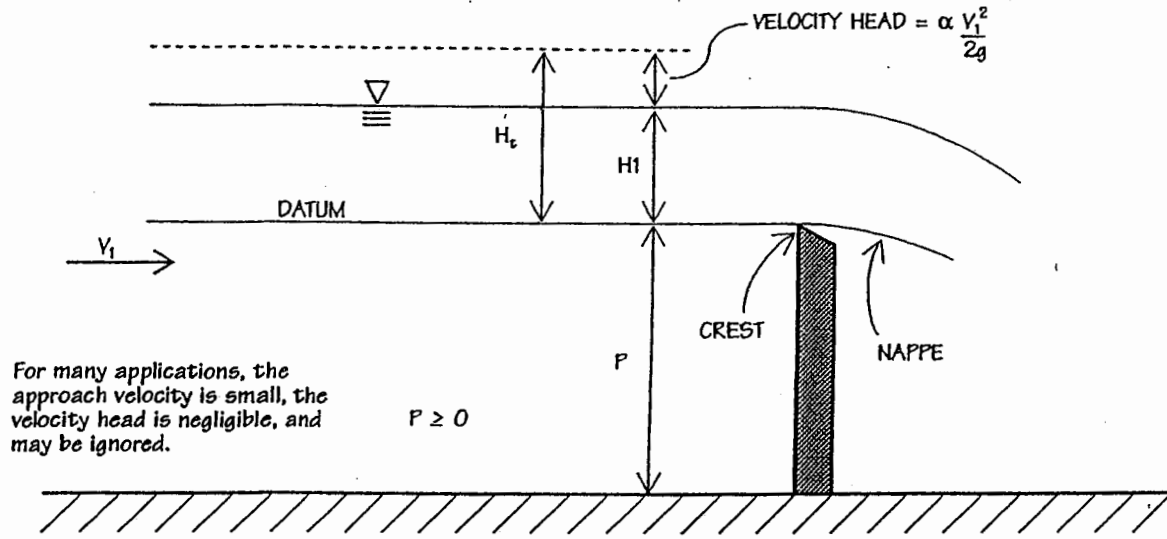
Where:

- Q = orifice outflow in CFS;
- C = coefficient, which varies with conditions;
- g = gravitational constant (which may be assumed to be 32.2 ft/sec<sup>2</sup>); and
- H = height of head in feet, per Figure "K-6" on page K-12.

6. "C" Values "C" values have been found to vary minimally between free discharge and submerged condition, and therefore the difference is often ignored, the "C" value being adequate for both situations, all other conditions being the same.

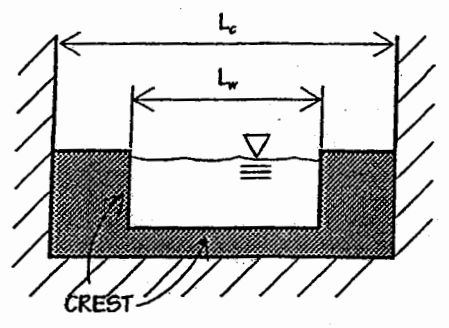
Table "K-4" on page K-14 provides "C" values for use in most stormwater applications. This and other tables provide information which indicates that "C" values for sharp-edged orifices under most conditions range between 0.59 and 0.66. Under special conditions, such as prolonged bottom and sides (frequent stormwater application), values may be as low as 0.487; or for orifices which are rounded, values may be as high as 0.952.

Per HEC-12, use a "C" value of 0.67 for stormwater inlets.

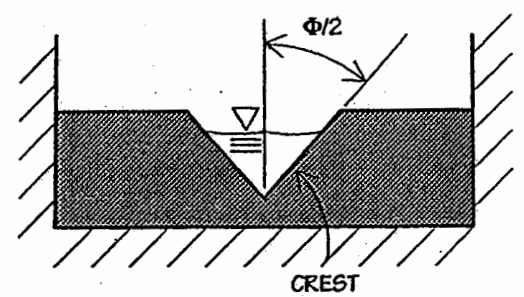


For many applications, the approach velocity is small, the velocity head is negligible, and may be ignored.

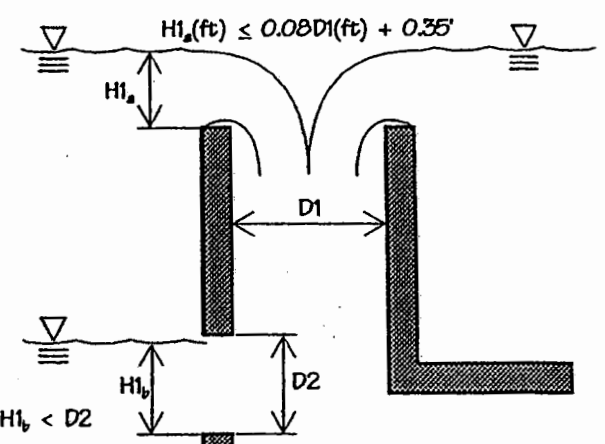
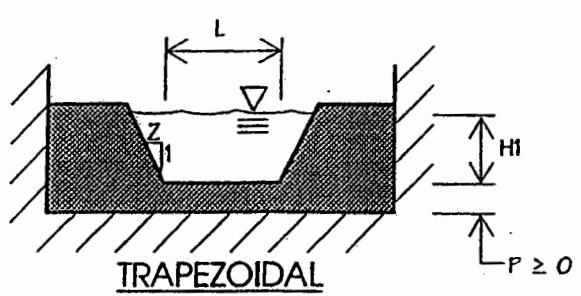
**GENERAL TERMS**



**RECTANGULAR WEIR**

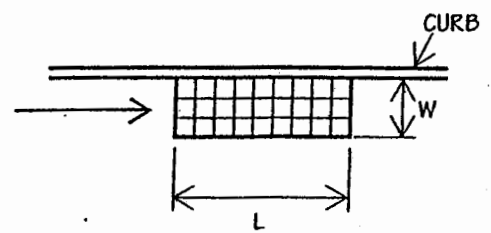


**TRIANGULAR (V-NOTCH) WEIR**



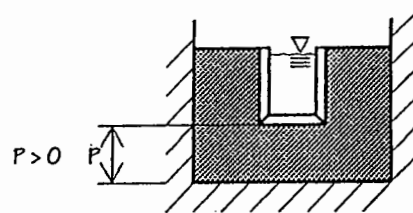
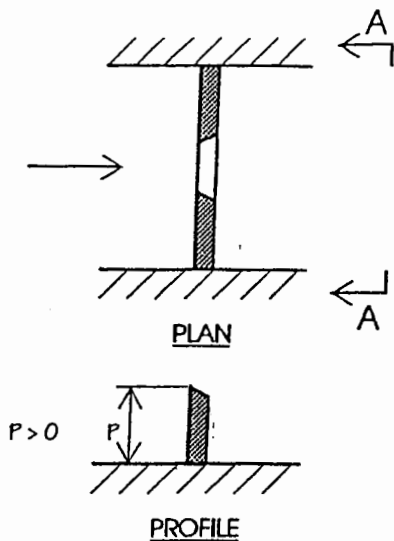
NOTE: ROUND ORIFICES ACTING AS WEIRS MAY BE READILY ANALYZED USING CULVERT NOMOGRAPHS IN HDS-5 OR APPENDIX "L"

**ORIFICES FUNCTIONING AS WEIRS  
(UNDER  $H_1$  CONDITIONS SHOWN)**



WEIR LENGTH (SUMP CONDITION) =  $L + 2W$   
WEIR LENGTH (ON GRADE SIDE FLOW) =  $L$

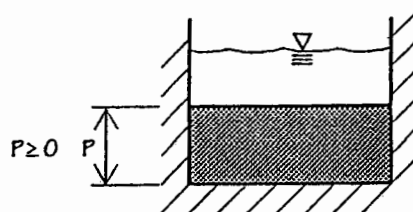
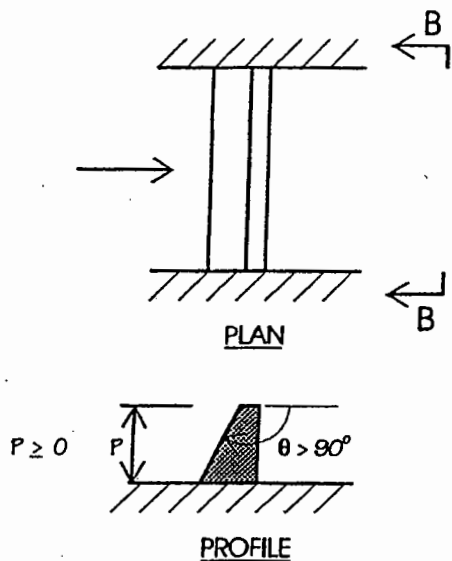
**CATCH BASIN INLET**



SECTION A-A

A WEIR THAT HAS A MAXIMUM OF  $90^\circ$  ANGLE ON THE UPSTREAM EDGE OF THE CREST, AND WHICH IS SHORT ENOUGH IN THE DIRECTION OF FLOW, OR IS ANGLED ENOUGH, THAT THE NAPPE WILL NOT BE SUPPORTED, NOR WILL HYDROSTATIC PRESSURES ON THE SIDES BE DEVELOPED, IS A SHARP-CRESTED WEIR. (Brater & King)

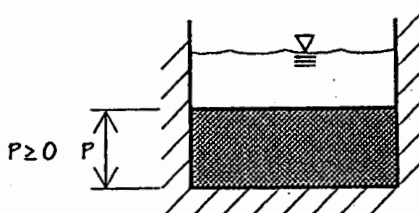
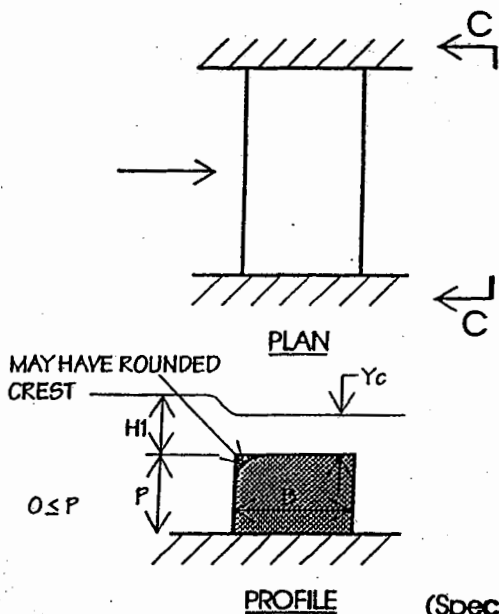
**SHARP-CRESTED**



SECTION B-B

A WEIR THAT HAS A TRAPEZOIDAL, TRIANGULAR, OR OTHER PROFILE THAT HAS A GREATER THAN  $90^\circ$  UPSTREAM CREST ANGLE, IS A NOT SHARP-CRESTED WEIR.

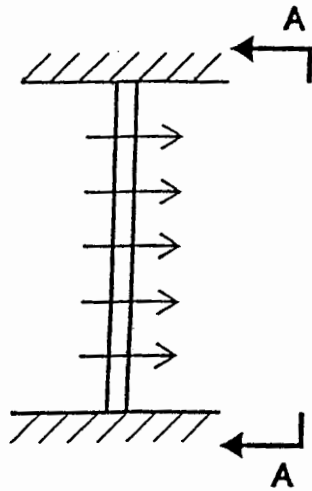
**NOT SHARP-CRESTED**



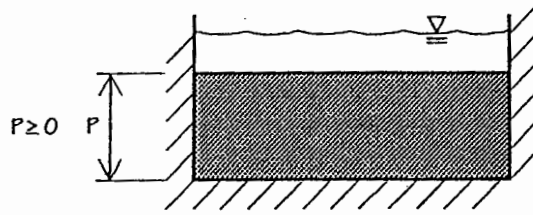
SECTION C-C

A WEIR WITH A HORIZONTAL OR NEAR HORIZONTAL CREST SUFFICIENTLY LONG IN THE DIRECTION OF FLOW SO THAT THE NAPPE WILL BE SUPPORTED AND HYDROSTATIC PRESSURES WILL BE FULLY DEVELOPED FOR AT LEAST A SHORT DISTANCE IS A BROAD-CRESTED WEIR. (Brater & King)

**BROAD-CRESTED**  
(Special Case Of Not Sharp-Crested)

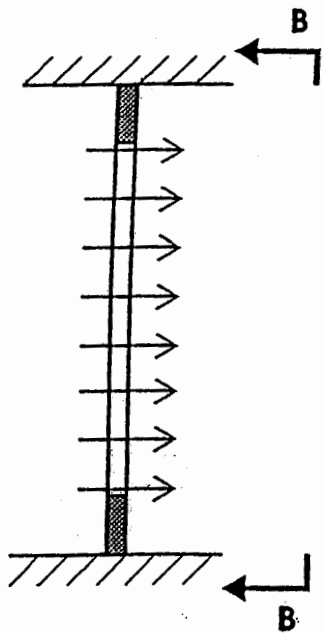


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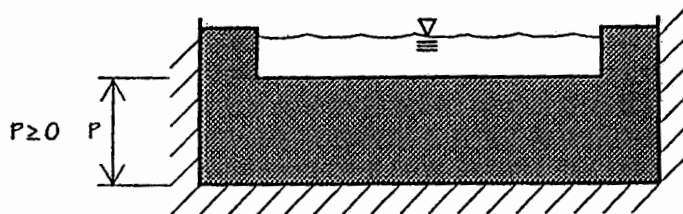


SECTION A-A

NO END OR SIDE CONTRACTIONS



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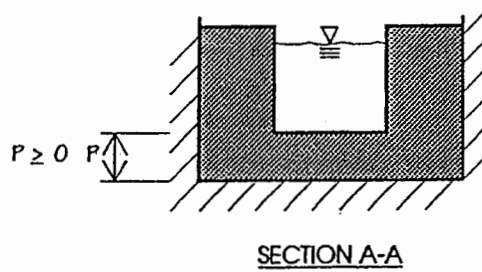
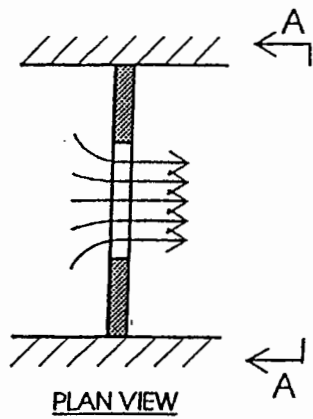
SECTION B-B

INSIGNIFICANT END CONTRACTIONS

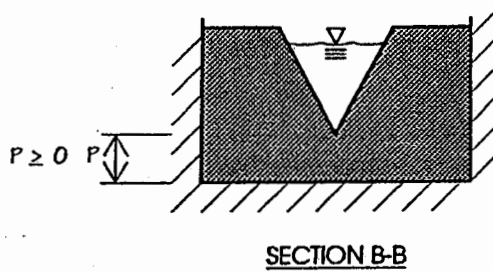
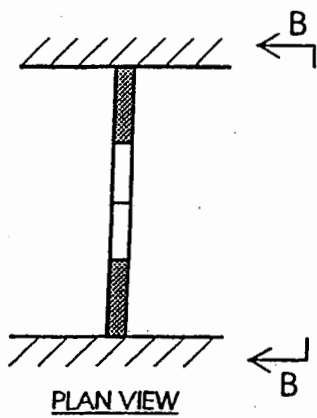
SUPPRESSED WEIRS (Contractions are Suppressed)

FIGURE K-3

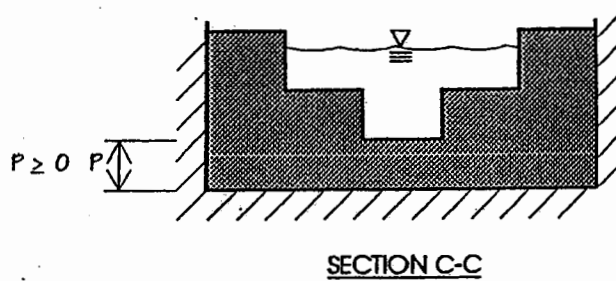
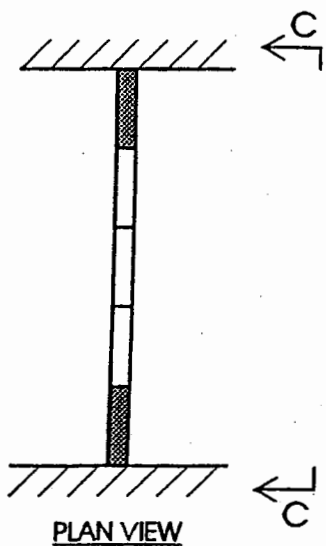




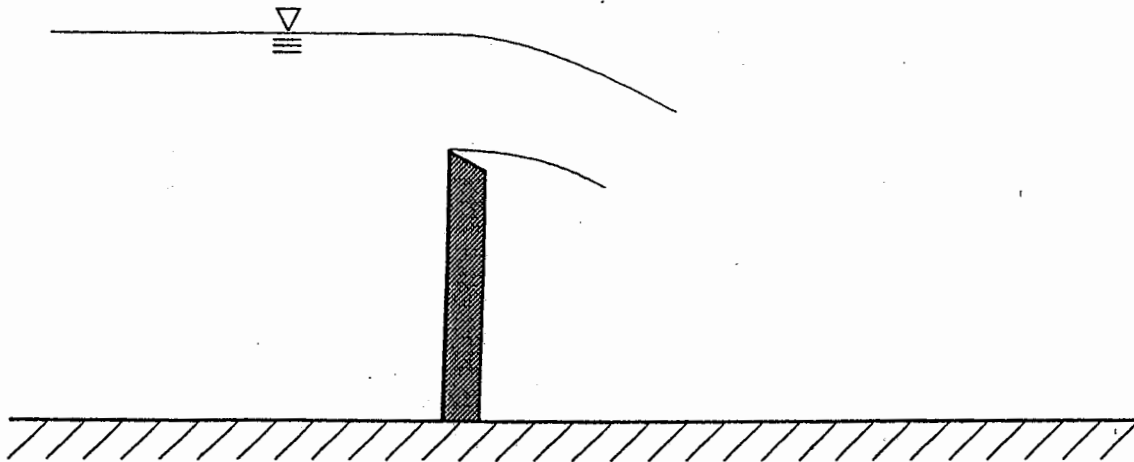
RECTANGULAR WEIR



TRIANGULAR (V-NOTCH) WEIR



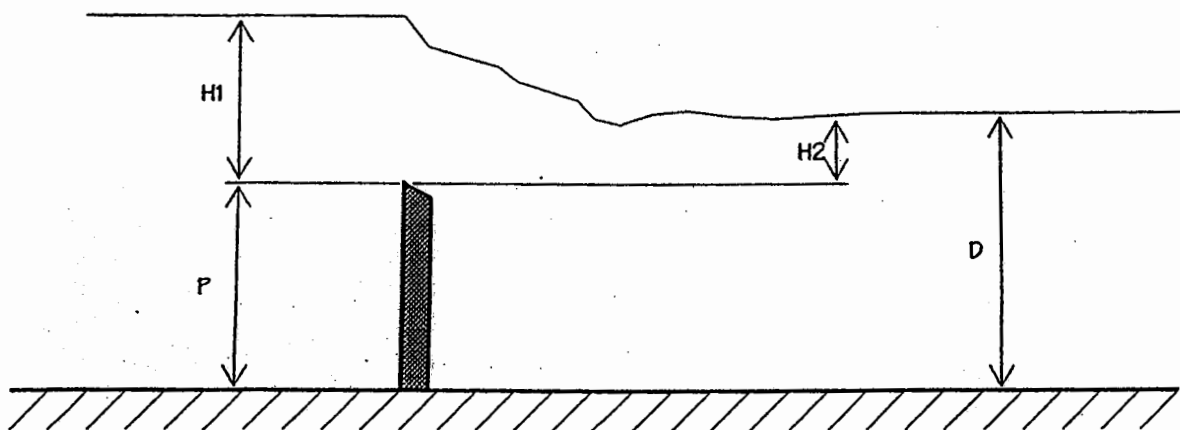
COMPOUND WEIR



FREE DISCHARGE

- IF  $H_2 \leq 0.2 H_1$ , TREAT THE WEIR AS THOUGH IT HAD FREE DISCHARGE (Merritt)
- IF  $H_2 \leq 0.66 H_1$ , TREAT A BROAD-CRESTED WEIR AS THOUGH IT HAD FREE DISCHARGE (Merritt)
- IF  $D \leq 0.85 (P+H_1)$ , TREAT A SHARP CRESTED WEIR AS THOUGH IT HAD FREE DISCHARGE (Merritt)
- FOR  $D > 0.85 (P+H_1)$ , REDUCE SHARP-CRESTED WEIR CAPACITY BY THE EQUATION BELOW (APWA). IT MAY BE REASONABLE TO USE THE SAME EQUATION TO CALCULATE BROAD-CRESTED CAPACITY FOR  $H_2 > 0.66 H_1$ .

$$Q_{\text{submerged}} = Q_{\text{free discharge}} \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{H_2}{H_1} \right)^{1.5} \right]^{0.585} \quad (\text{Brater \& King, Lindenburg})$$



SUBMERGED

WEIR SHAPE			CREST TYPE		END CONDITIONS		WEIR EQUATION (See Notes 1 & 2)	Ht TERM (See Note 2)	C VALUES
RECT.	V-NOTCH	TRAP	SHARP	BROAD	SUPRESSED	CONTRACTED			
•				•	•	See Note 3	$Q_w = CL[Ht^{1.5}]$	$\left[ \left( H_1 + \frac{V^2}{2g} \right)^{1.5} - \left( \frac{V^2}{2g} \right)^{1.5} \right]$	See Table "K-2"
•			•	See Note 3	(n = 0)	(n = 1 if one side is contracted; and n = 2 if two sides are contracted)	$Q_w = C \left( L - \frac{nH_1}{10} \right) [Ht^{1.5}]$ Francis Weir Equation (applicable for $H_1 \leq L/3$ )	$\left[ \left( H_1 + \frac{V^2}{2g} \right)^{1.5} - \left( \frac{V^2}{2g} \right)^{1.5} \right]$	3.33
•			•		•		$Q_w = C \left( \frac{2}{3} \right) L \sqrt{2g} [Ht^{1.5}]$ Basic or Theoretical Weir Equation	$\left[ \left( H_1 + \frac{V^2}{2g} \right)^{1.5} - \left( \frac{V^2}{2g} \right)^{1.5} \right]$	See Table "K-3"
•			•			•	$Q_w = CL^{1.02} [Ht^{1.47}]$	$\left[ \left( H_1 + \frac{V^2}{2g} \right)^{1.47} - \left( \frac{V^2}{2g} \right)^{1.47} \right]$	3.10
	•		•			•	$Q_w = C \left( \frac{8}{15} \right) Z \sqrt{2g} [Ht^{2.5}]$	$\left[ \left( H_1 + \frac{V^2}{2g} \right)^{2.5} - \left( \frac{V^2}{2g} \right)^{2.5} \right]$	0.58 to 0.60
		•	•			•	$Q_w = CL[Ht^{1.5}]$ Cipolletti weir, side slopes = 1H:4V	$\left[ \left( H_1 + \frac{V^2}{2g} \right)^{1.5} - \left( \frac{V^2}{2g} \right)^{1.5} \right]$	3.367
		•	•			•	$Q_w = C_2 L [Ht_2^{1.5}] + C_3 L [Ht_3^{2.5}]$	$\left[ \left( H_1 + \frac{V^2}{2g} \right)^{1.5} - \left( \frac{V^2}{2g} \right)^{1.5} \right]$ ( $Ht_2$ Term) $\left[ \left( H_1 + \frac{V^2}{2g} \right)^{2.5} - \left( \frac{V^2}{2g} \right)^{2.5} \right]$ ( $Ht_3$ Term)	$C_2$ & $C_3$ must be determined experimentally

NOTES: 1.  $Q_w$  shown is based upon free discharge. For submerged discharge, adjust  $Q_w$  per information provided on Figure "K-5".  
 2. If the approach velocity is insignificant, then  $H_1$  may be used for  $Ht$ . Otherwise, the  $Ht$  term is determined by the equations above.  
 3. An equation for a contracted broadcrested rectangular weir was not found. For that condition, the Francis weir equation is recommended using a "C" value of 3.0 instead of 3.33.

WEIR EQUATIONS AND "C" VALUES

TABLE K-1

**TABLE K-2**  
**VALUES OF C IN THE BROAD CRESTED WEIR EQUATION**  
 (Table 5-3 in *Handbook of Hydraulics*, Brater and King, 6th Edition)

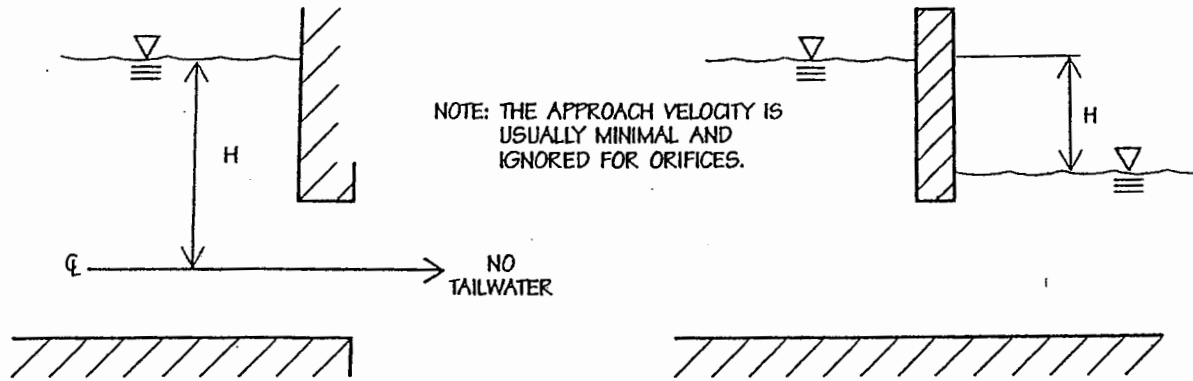
Measured head in feet, H	Breadth of Crest of Weir in Feet										
	0.50	0.75	1.00	1.50	2.00	2.50	3.00	4.00	5.00	10.00	15.00
0.2	2.80	2.75	2.69	2.62	2.54	2.48	2.44	2.38	2.34	2.49	2.68
0.4	2.92	2.80	2.72	2.64	2.61	2.60	2.58	2.54	2.50	2.56	2.70
0.6	3.08	2.89	2.75	2.64	2.61	2.60	2.68	2.69	2.70	2.70	2.70
0.8	3.30	3.04	2.85	2.68	2.60	2.60	2.67	2.68	2.68	2.69	2.64
1.0	3.32	3.14	2.98	2.75	2.66	2.64	2.65	2.67	2.68	2.68	2.63
1.2	3.32	3.20	3.09	2.86	2.70	2.65	2.64	2.67	2.66	2.69	2.64
1.4	3.32	3.26	3.20	2.92	2.77	2.68	2.64	2.65	2.65	2.67	2.64
1.6	3.32	3.29	3.28	3.07	2.89	2.75	2.68	2.66	2.65	2.64	2.63
1.8	3.32	3.32	3.31	3.07	2.88	2.74	2.68	2.66	2.65	2.64	2.63
2.0	3.32	3.31	3.30	3.03	2.85	2.76	2.72	2.68	2.65	2.64	2.63
2.5	3.32	3.32	3.31	3.28	3.07	2.89	2.81	2.72	2.67	2.64	2.63
3.0	3.32	3.32	3.32	3.32	3.20	3.05	2.92	2.73	2.66	2.64	2.63
3.5	3.32	3.32	3.32	3.32	3.32	3.19	2.97	2.76	2.68	2.64	2.63
4.0	3.32	3.32	3.32	3.32	3.32	3.32	3.07	2.79	2.70	2.64	2.63
4.5	3.32	3.32	3.32	3.32	3.32	3.32	3.32	2.88	2.74	2.64	2.63
5.0	3.32	3.32	3.32	3.32	3.32	3.32	3.32	3.07	2.79	2.64	2.63
5.5	3.32	3.32	3.32	3.32	3.32	3.32	3.32	3.32	2.88	2.64	2.63

For "C" values and/or roadway overtopping conditions, reference is made to HDS-5 or Appendix "L", Section B-2.

**Table K-3**  
**Values of C and  $\Delta L$  for use in Basic Rectangular Weir Equation (See Figure K-1)**

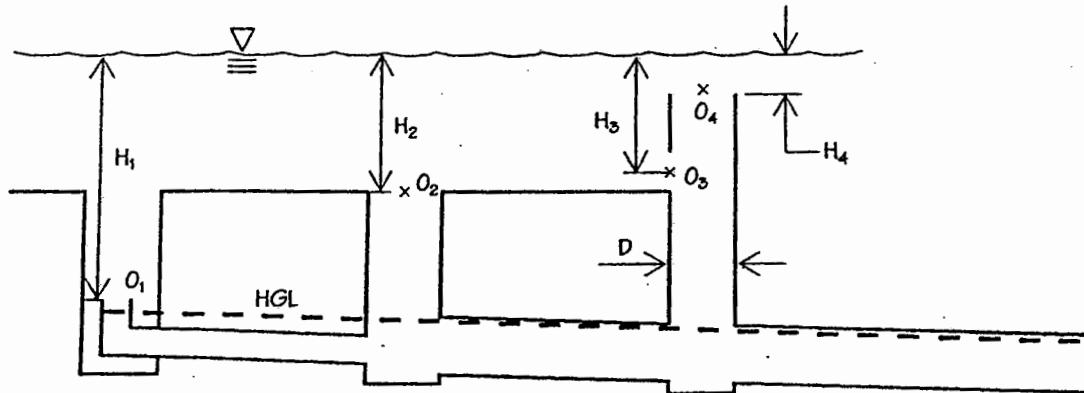
weir crest/channel width = $L_w/L_c$								
H1/P	0	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0
Coefficient of discharge C								
0	0.587	0.589	0.591	0.593	0.595	0.597	0.599	0.603
0.5	0.586	0.588	0.594	0.602	0.610	0.620	0.631	0.640
1.0	0.586	0.587	0.597	0.611	0.625	0.642	0.663	0.676
1.5	0.584	0.586	0.600	0.620	0.640	0.664	0.695	0.715
2.0	0.583	0.586	0.603	0.629	0.655	0.687	0.72	0.753
2.5	0.582	0.585	0.608	0.637	0.671	0.710	0.760	0.790
3.0	0.580	0.584	0.610	0.647	0.687	0.733	0.791	0.827
Adjustment for crest length $\Delta L$ /ft (Adjusted length $L_a = L_c + \Delta L$ )								
Any	0.007	0.008	0.009	0.012	0.013	0.014	0.013	-0.005

Reproduced from Table 3.3.15, *Mark's Standard Handbook for Mechanical Engineers*



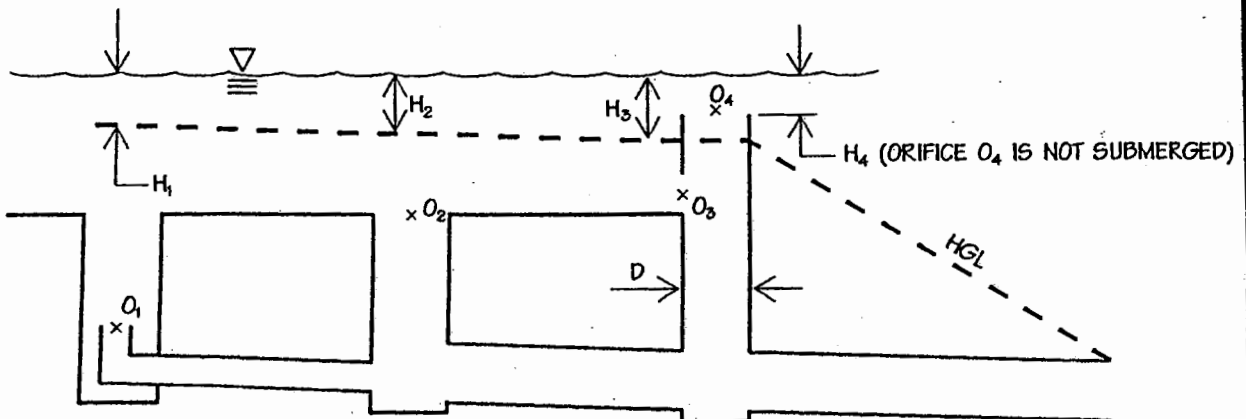
FREE DISCHARGE

SUBMERGED DISCHARGE



APPLICATIONS OF ORIFICE FREE DISCHARGE

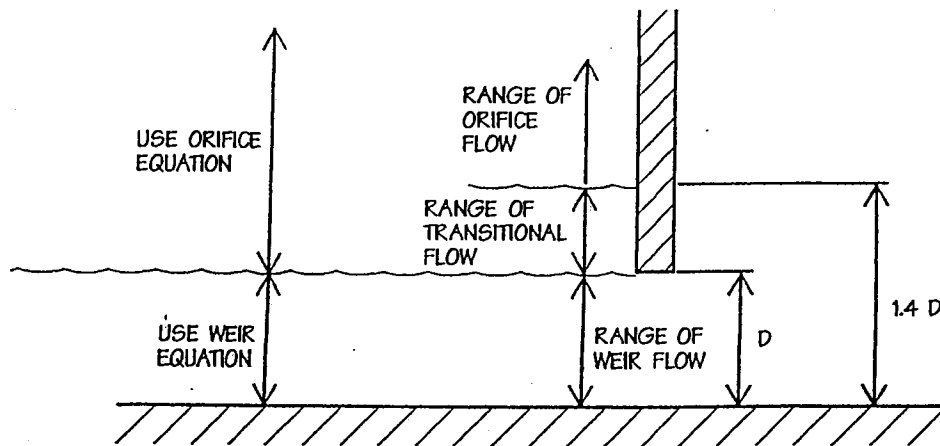
FOR HORIZONTAL ORIFICES,  $H(\text{ft}) > 0.08D(\text{ft}) + 0.35'$ ; OTHERWISE, WEIR FLOW CONDITIONS EXIST



APPLICATIONS OF SUBMERGED ORIFICE

ORIFICE HEAD

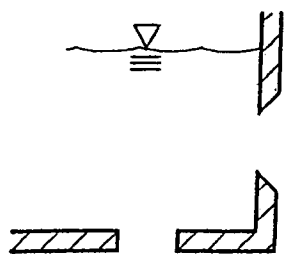
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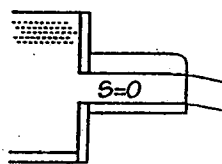
NOTE: FOR LARGE CIRCULAR VERTICAL ORIFICES, USE OF CULVERT NOMOGRAPHS IN THE FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION'S HDS-5 OR APPENDIX "L" MAY BE HELPFUL. THE NOMOGRAPHS NOT ONLY ACCOUNT FOR WEIR, TRANSITIONAL, AND ORIFICE FLOW AT THE APPROPRIATE HEAD RANGES, BUT ALSO ELIMINATE THE NEED FOR WEIR FLOW CALCULATIONS ON A CIRCULAR WEIR.

ORIFICE, WEIR, & TRANSITIONAL FLOW

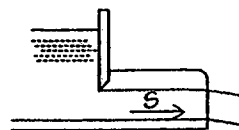
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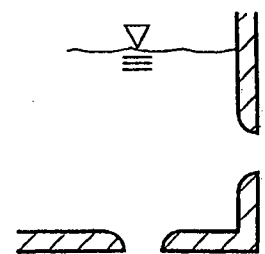
ORIFICE CONDITION FOR TABLE "K-4", A



TYPE I



TYPE II (S=0)  
TYPE III (S=5%)



ORIFICE CONDITION FOR TABLE "K-4", C

ORIFICE CONDITION FOR TABLE "K-4", B

ORIFICE "C" VALUE CONDITIONS

FIGURE K-8

NOTE: THIS IS A REPRODUCTION OF PORTIONS OR ALL OF TABLES 4-3, 4-7, AND 4-8 OF "HANDBOOK OF HYDRAULICS"

A. Smith's Coefficient of Discharge for Circular and Square Orifices with Full Contraction

Diameter of circular orifices, feet							Head, feet	Side of square orifices, feet						
0.02	0.04	0.07	0.1	0.2	0.6	1.0		0.02	0.04	0.07	0.1	0.2	0.6	1.0
.....	0.637	0.624	0.618				0.4	.....	0.643	0.628	0.621			
0.655	0.630	0.618	0.613	0.601	0.593		0.6	0.660	0.636	0.623	0.617	0.605	0.598	
0.648	0.626	0.615	0.610	0.601	0.594	0.590	0.8	0.652	0.631	0.620	0.615	0.605	0.600	0.597
0.644	0.623	0.612	0.608	0.600	0.595	0.591	1	0.648	0.628	0.618	0.613	0.605	0.601	0.599
0.637	0.618	0.608	0.605	0.600	0.596	0.593	1.5	0.641	0.622	0.614	0.610	0.605	0.602	0.601
0.632	0.614	0.606	0.604	0.599	0.597	0.595	2	0.637	0.619	0.612	0.608	0.605	0.604	0.602
0.629	0.612	0.605	0.603	0.599	0.598	0.596	2.5	0.634	0.617	0.610	0.607	0.605	0.604	0.602
0.627	0.611	0.604	0.603	0.599	0.598	0.597	3	0.632	0.616	0.609	0.607	0.605	0.604	0.603
0.623	0.609	0.603	0.602	0.599	0.597	0.596	4	0.628	0.614	0.608	0.606	0.605	0.603	0.602
0.618	0.607	0.602	0.600	0.598	0.597	0.596	6	0.623	0.612	0.607	0.605	0.604	0.603	0.602
0.614	0.605	0.601	0.600	0.598	0.596	0.596	8	0.619	0.610	0.606	0.605	0.604	0.603	0.602
0.611	0.603	0.599	0.598	0.597	0.596	0.595	10	0.616	0.608	0.605	0.604	0.603	0.602	0.601
0.601	0.599	0.597	0.596	0.596	0.596	0.594	20	0.608	0.604	0.602	0.602	0.602	0.601	0.600
0.596	0.595	0.594	0.594	0.594	0.594	0.593	50	0.602	0.601	0.601	0.600	0.600	0.599	0.599
0.593	0.592	0.592	0.592	0.592	0.592	0.592	100	0.599	0.598	0.598	0.598	0.598	0.598	0.598

B. Coefficients of Discharge for Types I, II, AND III Orifices

Figure	Depth of opening in feet	Values of C for various depths of water above top of orifice										
		0.07	0.1	0.3	0.5	0.7	1.0	2.0	3.0	5.0	7.0	10.0
I	0.656	.487	.495	.539	.562	.577	.588	.601	.601	.601	.601	.601
	0.164	.495	.550	.619	.630	.631	.630	.625	.624	.619	.612	.606
II	0.656	.487	.495	.530	.554	.573	.580	.595	.599	.602	.602	.601
	0.164	.495	.544	.600	.612	.618	.623	.627	.628	.627	.622	.617
III	0.656	.530	.535	.569	.584	.595	.600	.608	.610	.610	.609	.608
	0.164	.590	.600	.628	.640	.645	.649	.652	.651	.650	.650	.649

C. Coefficients of Discharge for Submerged Vertical Square Orifices with Rounded Corners

Dimensions of orifice in feet	Head in feet								
	3	4	5	6	8	10	12	14	18
Square, 1.0 by 1.0.....	.952	.948	.946	.945	.944	.943	.943	.944	.944



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## CULVERTS

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# APPENDIX "L"

## CULVERTS

### A. INTRODUCTION

By reference, FHWA HDS-5 is the adopted design criteria for culvert analysis. For convenience, this appendix contains information, figures, and charts from the 1985 version of the HDS-5. However, it should be understood that culvert analysis and design criteria is based upon the current edition of HDS-5, and not necessarily the information provided in this appendix.

1. **General Discussion** HDS-5 combines information and methodology contained in FHWA Hydraulic Engineering Circulars (HEC) 5, 10, and 13 with other more recent culvert information developed by governmental agencies, universities, and culvert manufacturers. Information extracted therefrom and provided in this appendix is limited to:
  - Basic culvert hydraulic principles
  - Design procedures using HDS-5 charts
  - Examples using the charts
  - Reproduction of most of the design charts.

For more information on culvert hydraulics, and also regarding improved inlets such as tapered inlets, the HDS-5 should be referred to.

2. **Overview of Culverts** A culvert is a hydraulically short conduit which conveys fluid. Culverts are constructed from a variety of materials, such as concrete, corrugated aluminum and steel, PVC, or polyethylene. Culverts may also be lined to improve abrasion resistance, reduce corrosion, or improve hydraulics. Culverts are available in a variety of shapes, the most common of which are shown in Figure "L-1". A variety of end treatments may also be used to more efficiently meet the requirements of a specific culvert. Common end treatment types are shown on Figure "L-2".

### B. CULVERT HYDRAULICS

1. **Inlet and Outlet Flow Control** A culvert barrel may flow full over its entire length, which does not often occur, or only partly full. Usually only a part of the barrel flows full.

In general, if the barrel does not flow full, or does so for only a short distance, flow capacity is governed by the inlet. This condition is called "inlet control," because it occurs when the culvert barrel is capable of conveying more flow than the inlet will accept. If the culvert flows full for all or most of its length, then it is likely that the barrel is incapable of conveying as much flow as the inlet opening will accept. The control section for flows under these conditions is at the culvert outlet or further downstream. Hence, this flow condition is said to be "outlet control". Factors influencing inlet and outlet control are shown in Table "L-1".

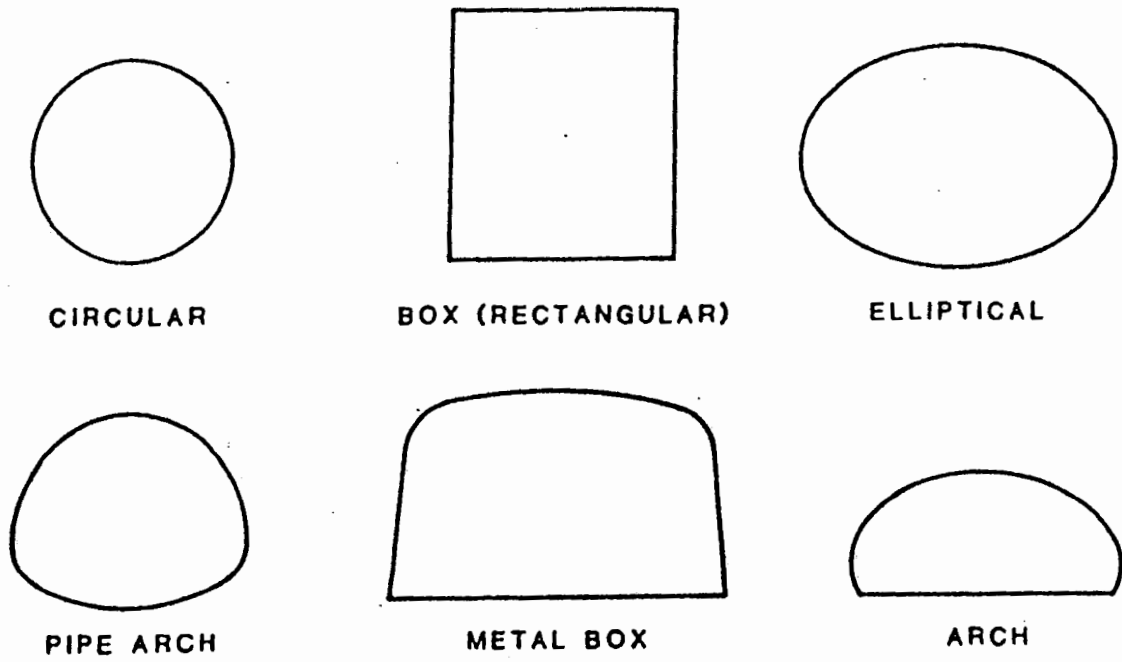


Figure "L-1" — Commonly Used Culvert Shapes

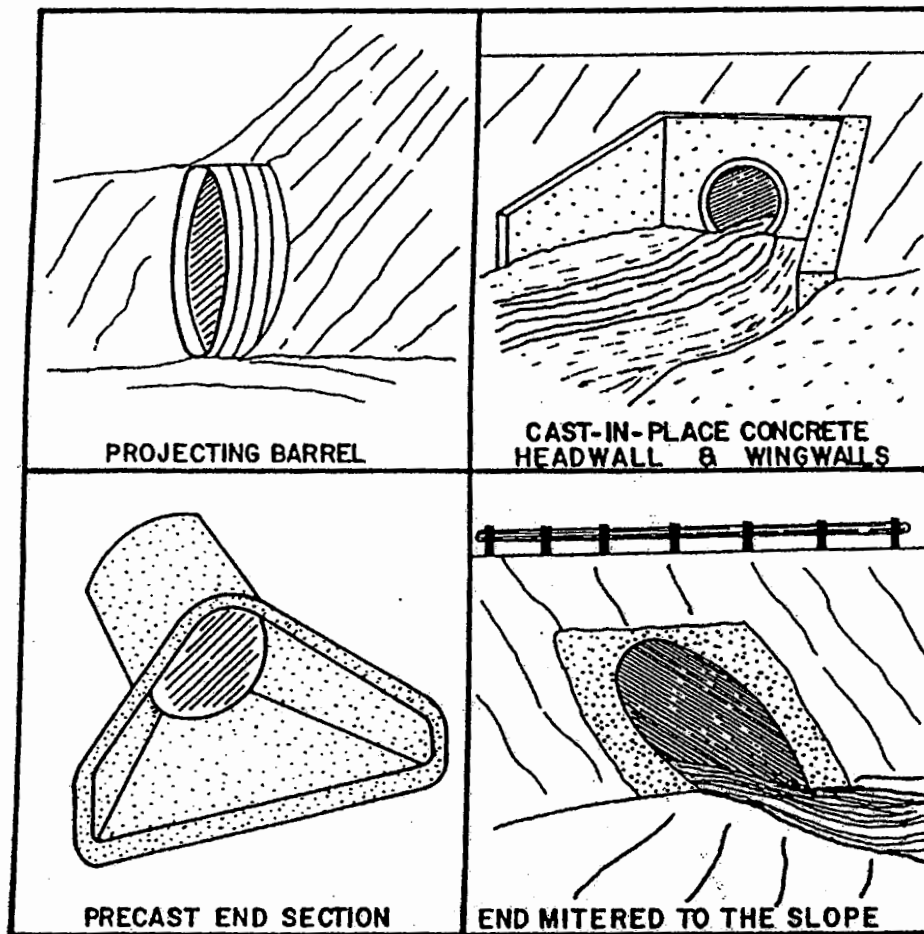


Figure "L-2" — Common Culvert End Treatments

Table "L-1" Factors Influencing Culvert Performance		
Factor	Inlet Control	Outlet Control
Headwater Elevation	X	X
Inlet Area	X	X
Inlet Edge Configuration	X	X
Inlet Shape	X	X
Barrel Roughness		X
Barrel Area		X
Barrel Shape		X
Barrel Length		X
Barrel Slope	*	X
Tailwater Elevation		X

\* Barrel slope affects inlet control performance to a small degree, but may be neglected.

- a. **Inlet Control Examples** Figure "L-3" depicts several different examples of inlet control flow. The type of flow depends on the submergence of the inlet and outlet ends of the culvert. In all of these examples, the control section is at the inlet end of the culvert. Depending on the tailwater, a hydraulic jump may occur downstream of the inlet.

Condition "A" of Figure "L-3" depicts a condition where neither the inlet nor the outlet end of the culvert are submerged. The flow passes through critical depth just downstream of the culvert entrance and the flow in the barrel is supercritical. The barrel flows partly full over its length, and the flow approaches normal depth at the outlet end.

Condition "B" of Figure "L-3" shows that submergence of the outlet end of the culvert does not assure outlet control. In this case, the flow just downstream of the inlet is supercritical and a hydraulic jump forms in the culvert barrel.

Condition "C" of Figure "L-3" is a more typical design situation. The inlet end is submerged and the outlet end flows freely. Again, the flow is supercritical and the barrel flows partly full over its length. Critical depth is located just downstream of the culvert entrance, and the flow is approaching normal depth at the downstream end of the culvert.

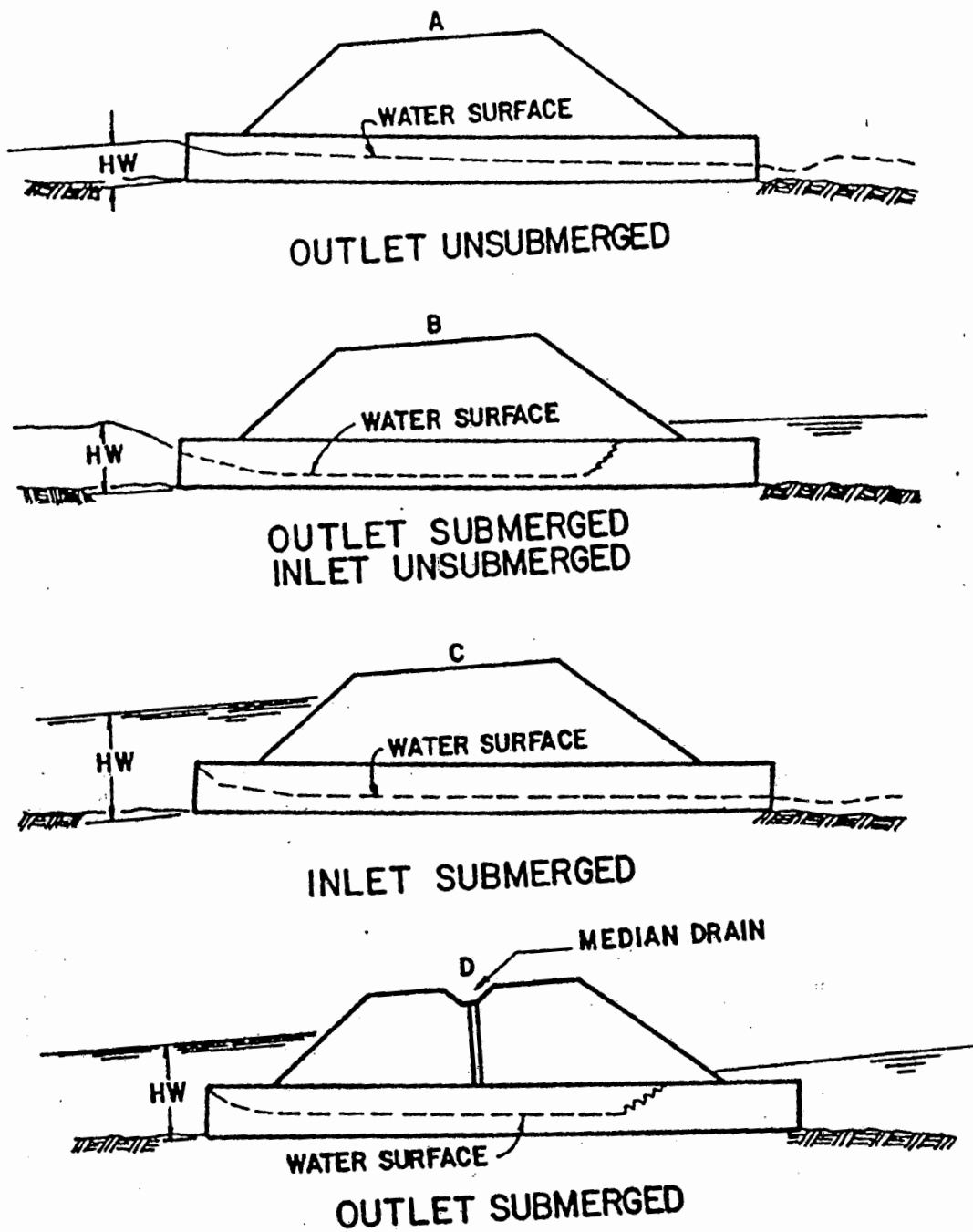


Figure "L-3" — Conditions of Inlet Control

Condition "D" of Figure "L-3" is an unusual condition illustrating the fact that even submergence of both the inlet and the outlet ends of the culvert does not assure full flow. In this case, a hydraulic jump will form in the barrel. The median inlet provides ventilation of the culvert barrel. If the barrel were not ventilated, sub-atmospheric pressures could develop which might create an unstable condition during which the barrel would alternate between full flow and partly full flow.

- b. **Outlet Control Examples** Figure "L-4" illustrates various outlet control flow conditions. In all cases, the control section is at the outlet end of the culvert or further downstream. For the partly full flow situations, the flow in the barrel is subcritical.

Condition "A" of Figure "L-4" represents the classic full flow condition, with both inlet and outlet submerged. The barrel is in pressure flow throughout its length. This condition is often assumed in calculations, but seldom actually exists.

Condition "B" of Figure "L-4" depicts the outlet submerged with the inlet unsubmerged. For this case, the headwater is shallow so that the inlet crown is exposed as the flow contracts into the culvert.

Condition "C" of Figure "L-4" shows the entrance submerged to such a degree that the culvert flows full throughout its entire length while the exit is unsubmerged. This is a rare condition. It requires an extremely high headwater to maintain full barrel flow with no tailwater. The outlet velocities are usually high under this condition.

Condition "D" of Figure "L-4" is more typical. The culvert entrance is submerged by the headwater and the outlet end flows freely with a low tailwater. For this condition, the barrel flows partly full over at least part of its length (subcritical flow) and the flow passes through critical depth just upstream of the outlet.

Condition "E" of Figure "L-4" is also typical, with neither the inlet nor the outlet end of the culvert submerged. The barrel flows partly full over its entire length, and the flow profile is subcritical.

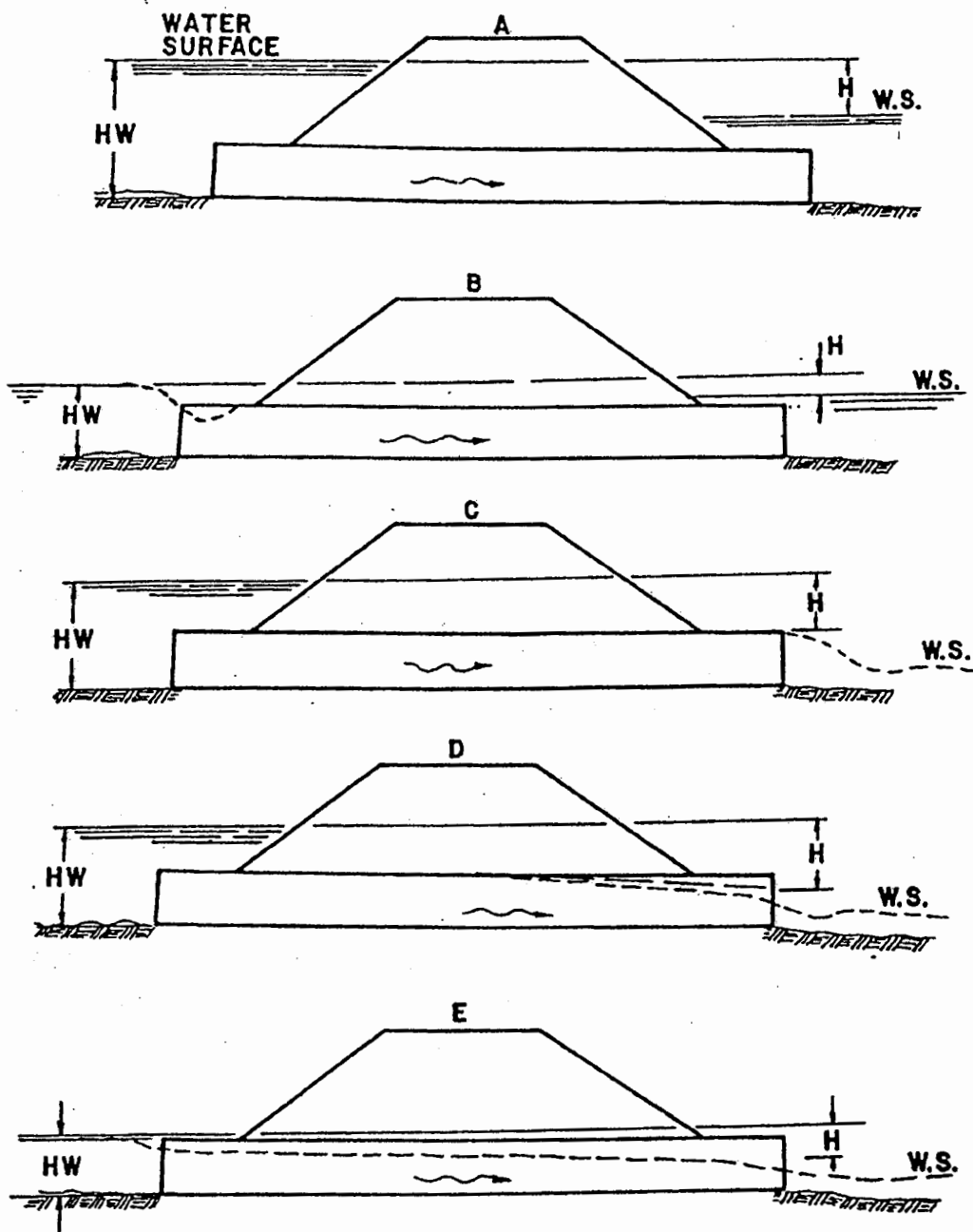


Figure "L-4" — Conditions of Outlet Control

2. **Roadway Overtopping** Overtopping will begin when the headwater rises to the elevation of the roadway. The overtopping will usually occur at the low point of a sag vertical curve on the roadway. The flow will be similar to flow over a broad crested weir. Flow coefficients for flow overtopping roadway embankments are found in HDS No. 1, "Hydraulics of Bridge Waterways", as well as in the documentation of HY-7, the "Bridge Waterways Analysis Model". Curves from the latter reference are shown in Figure "L-5". Figure "L-5"-A is for deep overtopping, Figure "L-5"-B is for shallow overtopping, and Figure "L-5"-C is a correction factor for downstream submergence. The broadcrested weir equation defines the flow across the roadway.

$$Q = C_d L HW_r^{1.5}$$

Q is the overtopping flow rate in ft<sup>3</sup>/s

C<sub>d</sub> is the overtopping discharge coefficient

L is the length of the roadway crest, ft

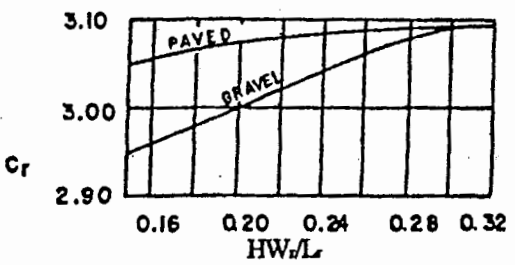
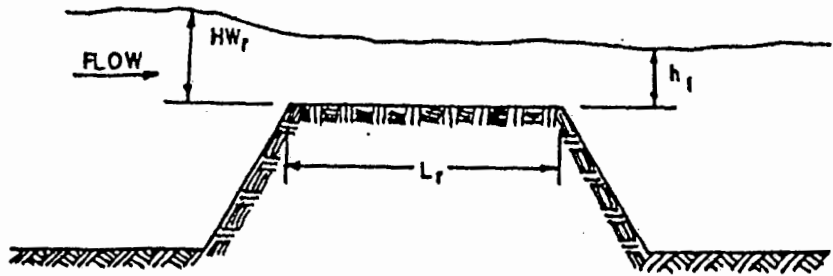
HW<sub>r</sub> is the upstream depth, measured from the roadway crest to the water surface upstream of the weir drawdown, ft

The length and elevation of the roadway crest are difficult to determine when the crest is defined by a roadway sag vertical curve. The sag vertical curve can be broken into a series of horizontal segments as shown in Figure "L-6"-A. Using the weir equation, the flow over each segment is calculated for a given headwater. Then, the incremental flows for each segment are added together, resulting in the total flow across the roadway.

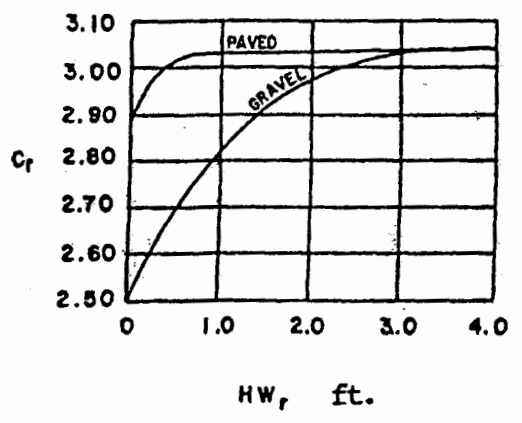
Representing the sag vertical curve by a single horizontal line (one segment) is often adequate for culvert design. (Figure "L-6"-B) The length of the weir can be taken as the horizontal length of this segment or it can be based on the roadway profile and an acceptable variation above and below the horizontal line. In effect, this method utilizes an average depth of the upstream pool above the roadway crest for the flow calculation.

It is a simple matter to calculate the flow across the roadway for a given upstream water surface elevation using the weir equation. The problem is that the roadway overflow plus the culvert flow must equal the total design flow. A trial and error process is necessary to determine the amount of the total flow passing through the culvert and the amount flowing across the roadway. Performance curves may also be superimposed for the culvert flow and the road overflow to yield an overall solution as is discussed later in this appendix.



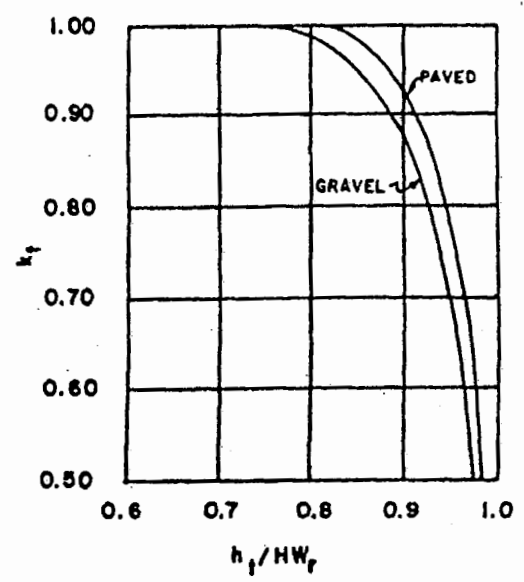


A) DISCHARGE COEFFICIENT FOR  $HW_r/L_r > 0.15$  (Deep Overtopping)



B) DISCHARGE COEFFICIENT FOR  $HW_r/L_r \leq 0.15$  (Shallow Overtopping)

$$C_d = k_t C_r$$



C) SUBMERGENCE FACTOR (Correction Factor For Downstream Submergence)

Figure "L-5" — Discharge Coefficients for Roadway Overtopping.

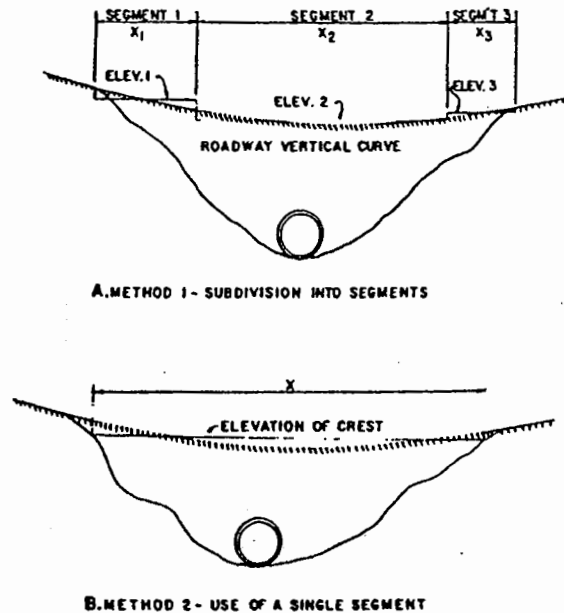


Figure "L-6" — Weir Crest Length Determinations for Roadway Overtopping.

### 3. Design Procedures

- a. **Method** The design approach presented in HDS-5 is to analyze a culvert for various types of flow control (both inlet and outlet), and then design for the control which produces the minimum performance. Flow control for a given culvert may oscillate between inlet and outlet control under various flow conditions; however, using the "minimum performance" procedure, the culvert will be designed for the least favorable hydraulic conditions.

The culvert design method presented in HDS-5 (and herein) uses design charts and nomographs which are based upon data from numerous hydraulic tests and theoretical calculations. This culvert design method provides a convenient and organized procedure for designing culverts, and considers both inlet and outlet control. While it is possible to follow the design method without an understanding of culvert hydraulics, this is not recommended. The result could be an inadequate and possibly unsafe structure.

- b. **Culvert Design Form** The Culvert Design Form, shown in Figure "L-7", has been formulated to guide the user through the design process. (Note — The FHWA Culvert Design Form shown in the example problems per HDS-5 has been modified and is presented as Table "L-5", Culvert Design Worksheet.) Summary blocks are provided at the top of the form for the project description, and the designer's identification. Summaries of hydrologic data of the form are also included. At the top

right is a small sketch of the culvert with blanks for inserting important dimensions and elevations.

The central portion of the design form contains lines for inserting the trial culvert description and calculating the inlet control and outlet control headwater elevations. Space is provided at the lower center for comments and at the lower right for a description of the culvert barrel selected.

The first step in the design process is to summarize all known data for the culvert at the top of the Culvert Design Form. This information will have been collected or calculated prior to performing the actual culvert design. The next step is to select a preliminary culvert material, shape, size, and entrance type. The user then enters the design flow rate and proceeds with the inlet control calculations.

- c. **Inlet Control** The inlet control calculations determine the headwater elevation required to pass the design flow through the selected culvert configuration in inlet control. The approach velocity head may be included as part of the headwater, if desired. The inlet control nomographs provided in Section D of this appendix are used in the design process. For the following discussion, refer to the schematic inlet control nomograph shown in Figure "L-8".

PROJECT : _____		STATION : _____		CULVERT DESIGN FORM			
SHEET _____ OF _____		DESIGNER / DATE : _____ / _____		REVIEWER / DATE : _____ / _____			
<b>HYDROLOGICAL DATA</b> <input type="checkbox"/> METHOD _____ <input type="checkbox"/> DRAINAGE AREA _____ <input type="checkbox"/> STREAM SLOPE _____ <input type="checkbox"/> CHANNEL SHAPE : _____ <input type="checkbox"/> ROUTING _____ <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER _____ <b>DESIGN FLOWS/TAIWATER</b> R 1 (YEARS)    Q (CFS)    TW (IN) _____    _____    _____		ROADWAY ELEVATION : _____ (111) S = S <sub>0</sub> - FALL / L <sub>0</sub> S = _____ L <sub>0</sub> = _____					
<b>CULVERT DESCRIPTION:</b> MATERIAL - SHAPE - SIZE - ENTRANCE		TOTAL FLOW PER CHANNEL Q (CFS)    Q (MGD)		<b>HEADWATER CALCULATIONS</b>			
				INLET CONTROL    OUTLET CONTROL			
				EL <sub>1</sub> EL <sub>2</sub> FALL    EL <sub>3</sub> TW    S <sub>c</sub> S <sub>0</sub> S <sub>1</sub> S <sub>2</sub> S <sub>3</sub> S <sub>4</sub> S <sub>5</sub> S <sub>6</sub> S <sub>7</sub> S <sub>8</sub> S <sub>9</sub> S <sub>10</sub> S <sub>11</sub> S <sub>12</sub> S <sub>13</sub> S <sub>14</sub> S <sub>15</sub> S <sub>16</sub> S <sub>17</sub> S <sub>18</sub> S <sub>19</sub> S <sub>20</sub> S <sub>21</sub> S <sub>22</sub> S <sub>23</sub> S <sub>24</sub> S <sub>25</sub> S <sub>26</sub> S <sub>27</sub> S <sub>28</sub> S <sub>29</sub> S <sub>30</sub> S <sub>31</sub> S <sub>32</sub> S <sub>33</sub> S <sub>34</sub> S <sub>35</sub> S <sub>36</sub> S <sub>37</sub> S <sub>38</sub> S <sub>39</sub> S <sub>40</sub> S <sub>41</sub> S <sub>42</sub> S <sub>43</sub> S <sub>44</sub> S <sub>45</sub> S <sub>46</sub> S <sub>47</sub> S <sub>48</sub> S <sub>49</sub> S <sub>50</sub> S <sub>51</sub> S <sub>52</sub> S <sub>53</sub> S <sub>54</sub> S <sub>55</sub> S <sub>56</sub> S <sub>57</sub> S <sub>58</sub> S <sub>59</sub> S <sub>60</sub> S <sub>61</sub> S <sub>62</sub> S <sub>63</sub> S <sub>64</sub> S <sub>65</sub> S <sub>66</sub> S <sub>67</sub> S <sub>68</sub> S <sub>69</sub> S <sub>70</sub> S <sub>71</sub> S <sub>72</sub> S <sub>73</sub> S <sub>74</sub> S <sub>75</sub> S <sub>76</sub> S <sub>77</sub> S <sub>78</sub> S <sub>79</sub> S <sub>80</sub> S <sub>81</sub> S <sub>82</sub> S <sub>83</sub> S <sub>84</sub> S <sub>85</sub> S <sub>86</sub> S <sub>87</sub> S <sub>88</sub> S <sub>89</sub> S <sub>90</sub> S <sub>91</sub> S <sub>92</sub> S <sub>93</sub> S <sub>94</sub> S <sub>95</sub> S <sub>96</sub> S <sub>97</sub> S <sub>98</sub> S <sub>99</sub> S <sub>100</sub>			
				CONTROL HEADWATER ELEVATION    OUTLET VELOCITY    COMMENTS			
<b>TECHNICAL FOOTNOTES:</b> (1) USE Q/MG FOR BOX CULVERTS (2) HW <sub>1</sub> = HW <sub>2</sub> OR HW <sub>1</sub> FROM DESIGN CHARTS (3) FALL = HW <sub>1</sub> - (EL <sub>3</sub> - EL <sub>1</sub> ), *FALL IS ZERO *FOR CULVERTS ON GRADE		(4) EL <sub>1</sub> = HW <sub>1</sub> EL <sub>2</sub> = INVERT OF INLET CONTROL SECTION (5) *H BASED ON DOWNSTREAM CONTROL OR FLOW DEPTH IN CHANNEL.		(6) S <sub>0</sub> = TW = (L <sub>0</sub> + D) / 2 (WHICHEVER IS GREATER) (7) H = [ (L <sub>0</sub> + D) (29.9 L / R <sup>1.485</sup> ) ] <sup>2/3</sup> / 2.9 (8) EL <sub>10</sub> = EL <sub>1</sub> + H + S <sub>0</sub>			
<b>SUBSCRIPT DEFINITIONS:</b> 0 APPROXIMATE 1 CULVERT FACE 2 DESIGN HEADWATER 3 HEADWATER IN INLET CONTROL 4 HEADWATER IN OUTLET CONTROL 5 INLET CONTROL SECTION 6 OUTLET 7 ESTABLISHED AT CULVERT FACE 8 *H-BASED		<b>COMMENTS / DISCUSSION:</b>		<b>CULVERT BARREL SELECTED:</b> SIZE _____ SHAPE _____ MATERIAL _____ ENTRANCE _____			

Figure "L-7" — Culvert Design Form.

- 1) Locate the selected culvert size (point 1) and flow rate (point 2) on the appropriate scales of the inlet control nomograph. (Note that for box culverts, the flow rate per foot of barrel width is used.)
- 2) Using a straightedge, carefully extend a straight line from the culvert size (point 1) through the flow rate (point 2) and mark a point on the first headwater/culvert height (HW/D) scale (point 3). The first HW/D scale is also a turning line.  
  
(NOTE: If the nomographs are put into a notebook, a clean plastic sheet with a matte finish can be used to mark on so that the nomographs can be preserved.)
- 3) If another HW/D scale is required, extend a horizontal line from the first HW/D scale (the turning line) to the desired scale and read the result.
- 4) Multiply HW/D by the culvert height, D, to obtain the required headwater (HW) from the invert of the control section to the energy grade line. If the approach velocity is neglected, HW equals the required headwater depth (HW<sub>i</sub>). If the approach velocity is included in the calculations, deduct the approach velocity head from HW to determine HW<sub>i</sub>.
- 5) Calculate the required depression (FALL) of the inlet control section below the stream bed as follows:

$$HW_d = EL_{hd} - EL_{sf}$$

$$FALL = HW_i - HW_d$$

HW<sub>d</sub> is the design headwater depth, ft (m)

EL<sub>hd</sub> is the design headwater elevation, ft (m)

EL<sub>sf</sub> is the elevation of the streambed at the face, ft (m)

HW<sub>i</sub> is the required headwater depth, ft (m)

Possible results and consequences of this calculation are:

- i) If the FALL is negative or zero, set FALL equal to zero and proceed to step f.
- ii) If the FALL is positive, the inlet control section invert must be depressed below the streambed at the face by that amount. If the FALL is acceptable, proceed to step f.

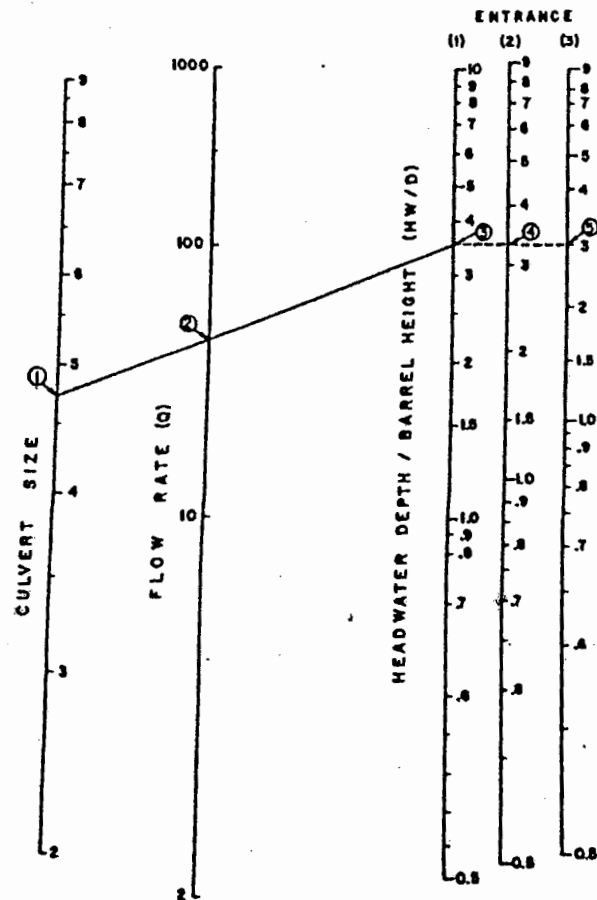


Figure "L-8" — Inlet Control Nomograph (Schematic).

iii) If the FALL is positive and greater than is judged to be acceptable, select another culvert configuration and begin again at step a.

6) Calculate the inlet control section invert elevation as follows:

$$EL_1 = EL_{df} - FALL$$

where  $EL_1$  is the invert elevation at the face of a culvert ( $EL_f$ ) or at the throat of a culvert with a tapered inlet ( $EL_t$ ).

d. **Outlet Control** The outlet control calculations result in the headwater elevation required to convey the design discharge through the selected culvert in outlet control. The approach and downstream velocities may be included in the design process, if desired. The critical depth charts and outlet control nomographs provided in Section D of this Appendix are used in the design process. For illustration, refer to the schematic critical depth chart and outlet control nomograph shown in Figures "L-9" and "L-10", respectively.

- 1) Determine the tailwater depth above the outlet invert (TW) at the design flow rate. This is obtained from backwater or normal depth calculations, or from field observations.

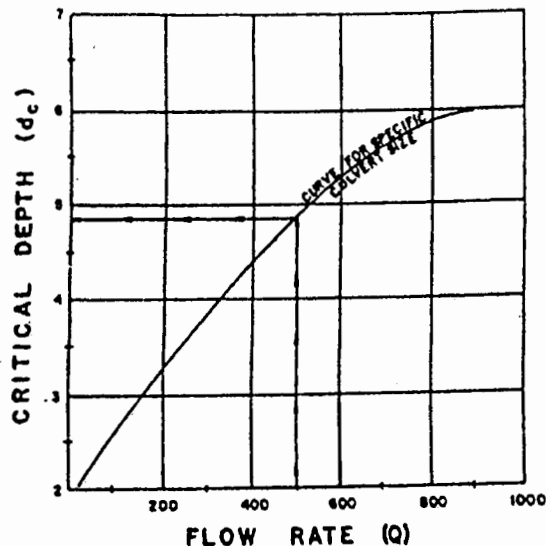


Figure "L-9" — Critical Depth Chart (Schematic).

- 2) Enter the appropriate critical depth chart (Figure "L-9") with the flow rate and read the critical depth ( $d_c$ ).  $d_c$  cannot exceed  $D$ !

(NOTE: The  $d_c$  curves are truncated for convenience when they converge. If an accurate  $d_c$  is required for  $d_c > .9D$  consult the Handbook of Hydraulics or other hydraulic references.

- 3) Calculate  $(d_c + D)/2$
- 4) Determine the depth from the culvert outlet invert to the hydraulic grade line ( $h_o$ ).

$$h_o = \text{TW or } (d_c + D/2), \text{ whichever is larger.}$$

- 5) From Table "L-4" in Section D, obtain the appropriate entrance loss coefficient,  $k_e$ , for the culvert inlet configuration.

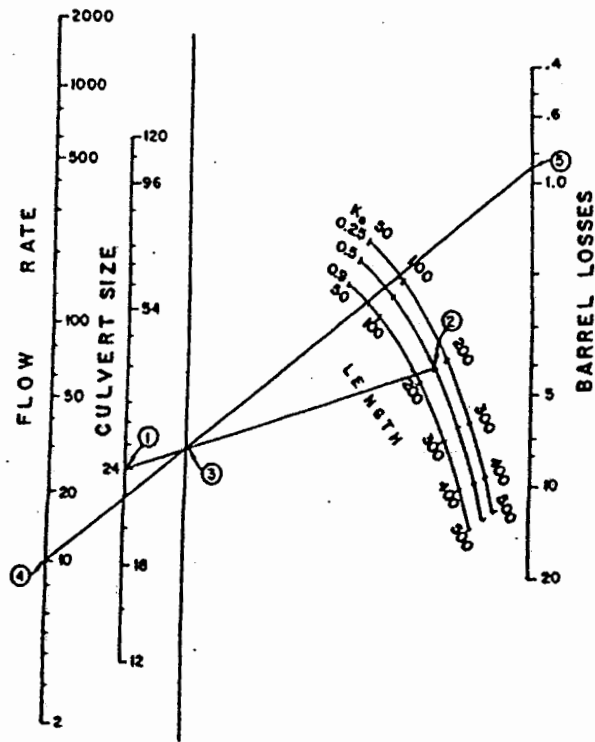


Figure "L-10" — Outlet Control Nomograph (Schematic).

- 6) Determine the losses through the culvert barrel,  $H$ , using the outlet control nomograph (Figure "L-10") or equation (5) or (6) if outside the range of the nomograph.
- i) If the Manning  $n$  value given in the outlet control nomograph is different than the Manning  $n$  for the culvert, adjust the culvert length using the formula:

$$L_1 = L \left( \frac{n_1}{n} \right)^2 \quad (9)$$

$L_1$  is the adjusted culvert length, ft (m)

$L$  is the actual culvert length, ft (m)

$n_1$  is the desired Manning  $n$  value

$n$  is the Manning  $n$  value from the outlet control chart.

Then, use  $L_1$  rather than the actual culvert length when using the outlet control nomograph.

- ii) Using a straightedge, connect the culvert size (point 1) with the culvert length on the appropriate  $k_c$  scale (point 2). This defines a point on the turning line (point 3).
- iii) Again using the straightedge, extend a line from the discharge (point 4) through the point on the turning line (point 3) to the Head Loss (H) scale. Read H, which is the energy loss through the culvert, including entrance, friction, and outlet losses.

(NOTE: Careful alignment of the straightedge is necessary to obtain good results from the outlet control nomograph.)

- 7) Calculate the required outlet control headwater elevation.

$$EL_{ho} = EL_o + H + h_o \quad (10)$$

where  $EL_o$  is the invert elevation at the outlet.

- 8) If the outlet control headwater elevation exceeds the design headwater elevation, a new culvert configuration must be selected and the process repeated. Generally, an enlarged barrel will be necessary since inlet improvements are of limited benefit in outlet control.
- e. **Outlet Velocity** Compare the headwater elevations calculated for inlet and outlet control. The higher of the two is designated the controlling headwater for at expected to operate with that higher headwater for at least part of the time.

The outlet velocity is calculated as follows:

- 1) If the controlling headwater is based on inlet control, determine the normal depth and velocity in the culvert barrel. The velocity at normal depth is assumed to be the outlet velocity.
- 2) If the controlling headwater is in outlet control, determine the area of flow at the outlet based on the barrel geometry and the following:
  - i) Critical depth if the tailwater is below critical depth. (This is an HDS-5 procedure, although HEC-14 advocates use of a theoretically more correct procedure of using the true culvert brink depth of  $Y_o$ );
  - ii) The tailwater depth if the tailwater is between critical depth and the top of the barrel; and



- iii) The height of the barrel if the tailwater is above the top of the barrel.

Reference is made to Figure "L-11", which schematically shows culvert outflows and depths.

- f. **Evaluation of Results** Repeat the design process until an acceptable culvert configuration is determined. Once the barrel is selected it must be fitted into the roadway cross section. The culvert barrel must have adequate cover, the length should be close to the approximate length, and the headwalls and wingwalls must be dimensioned.

If outlet control governs and the headwater depth (referenced to the inlet invert) is less than  $1.2D$ , it is possible that the barrel flows partly full through its entire length. In this case, caution should be used in applying the approximate method of setting the downstream elevation based on the greater of tailwater or  $(d_c + D)/2$ . If an accurate headwater is necessary, backwater calculations should be used to check the result from the approximate method. If the headwater depth falls below  $0.75D$ , the approximate method should not be used.

If the selected culvert will not fit the site, return to the culvert design process and select another culvert.

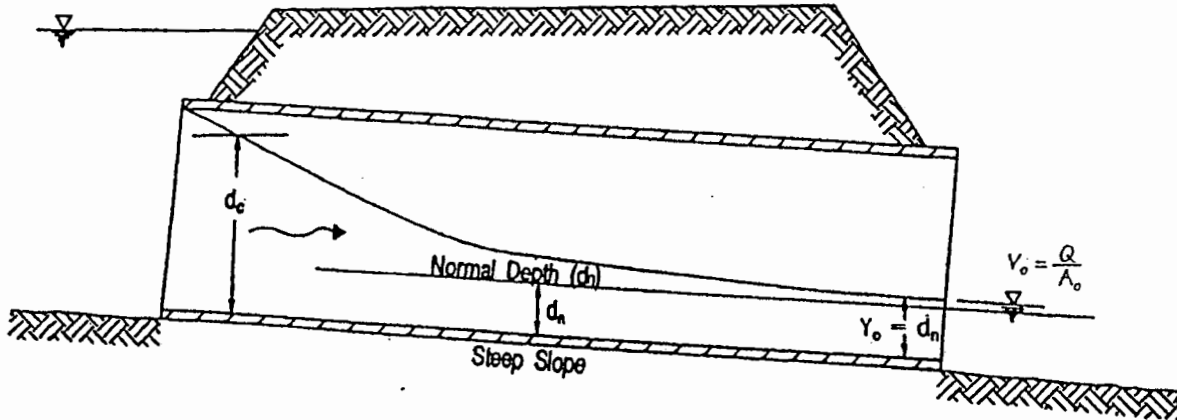
- 4. **Example Problems** The following example problems illustrate the use of the design methods and charts for selected culvert configurations and hydraulic conditions. The problems cover the following situations:

- i) **Problem No. 1** Circular pipe culvert, standard 2-2/3 by 1/2 in (6.8 by 1.3 cm) CMP with beveled edge and reinforced concrete pipe with groove end. No FALL.
- ii) **Problem No. 2** Reinforced cast-in-place concrete box culvert with square edges and with bevels. No FALL.
- iii) **Problem No. 3** Elliptical pipe culvert with groove end and a FALL.
- iv) **Problem No. 4** Analysis of an existing reinforced concrete box culvert with square edges, including road overtopping analysis.

MODIFIED FROM FIGURES 4.46 AND 4.47 IN (MARICOPA COUNTY)

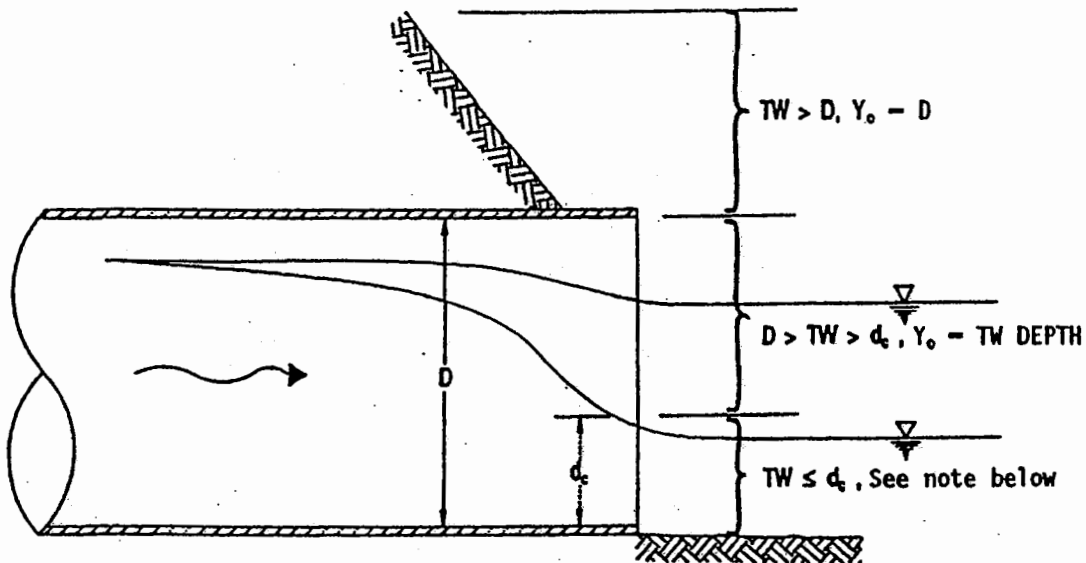
$V_o$  = Flow velocity at the culvert outlet or brink (fps)  
 $Q$  = Flow in conduct (cfs)  
 $A_o$  = Area of flow at the culvert outlet or brink (ft<sup>2</sup>)  
 $Y_o$  = Depth of flow at the culvert outlet or brink (ft)

TW = tailwater depth (ft)  
 $d_n, d_c$  = normal & critical depth, respectively  
 $D$  = Conduit depth or diameter (ft)



Note: With some tailwater conditions, there could be a backwater condition. However, unless special conditions prevent it, there will also be times when flow exits the culvert as supercritical flow. Therefore, it is common practice (HDS-5 & HEC-14) to set  $Y_o = d_n$ , and calculate  $A_o$  and  $V_o$  accordingly.

OUTLET VELOCITY - INLET CONTROL



Note: For  $TW < d_c$ , HDS-5 recommends setting  $Y_o = d_c$ , even though it is acknowledged therein that the flow surface actually crosses below  $d_c$  a short distance upstream of the culvert brink. HEC-14 recommends using the lower depth that occurs right at the culvert brink, and provides design charts for calculating the theoretical  $Y_o$ . The latter method is arguably more accurate, and is also more conservative in that it results in a higher  $V_o$  estimate for outlet protection calculations. The choice of methods in obtaining  $Y_o$  is left up to the designer.  $A_o$  is based upon  $Y_o$ , and  $V_o$  calculated accordingly.

OUTLET VELOCITY - OUTLET CONTROL

a. Example Problem No. 1

A culvert at a new roadway crossing must be designed to pass the 25-year flood. Hydrologic analysis indicates a peak flow rate of 200 ft<sup>3</sup>/s. Use the following site information:

Elevation at Culvert Face: 100 ft

Natural Stream Bed Slope: 1 percent = 0.01 ft/ft

Tailwater for 25-Year Flood: 3.5 ft

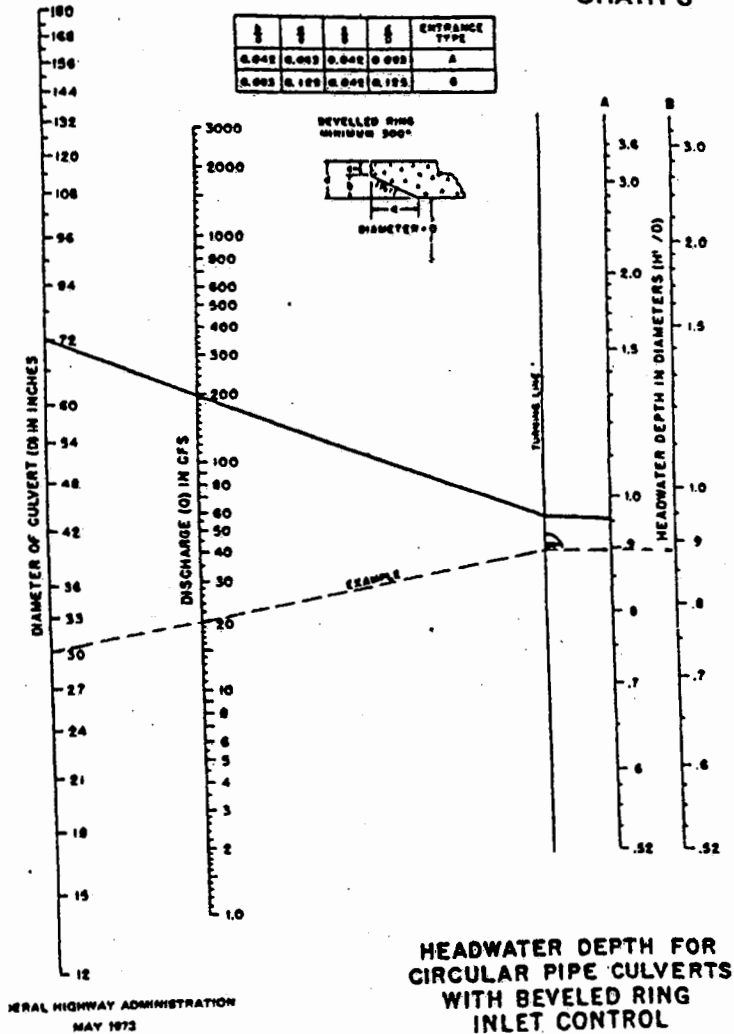
Approximate Culvert Length: 200 ft

Shoulder Elevation: 110 ft

Design a circular pipe culvert for this site. Consider the use of a corrugated metal pipe with standard 2-2/3 by 1/2 in corrugations and beveled edges and concrete pipe with a groove end. Base the design headwater on the shoulder elevation with a two ft freeboard (elevation 108.0 ft). Set the inlet invert at the natural streambed elevation (no FALL).

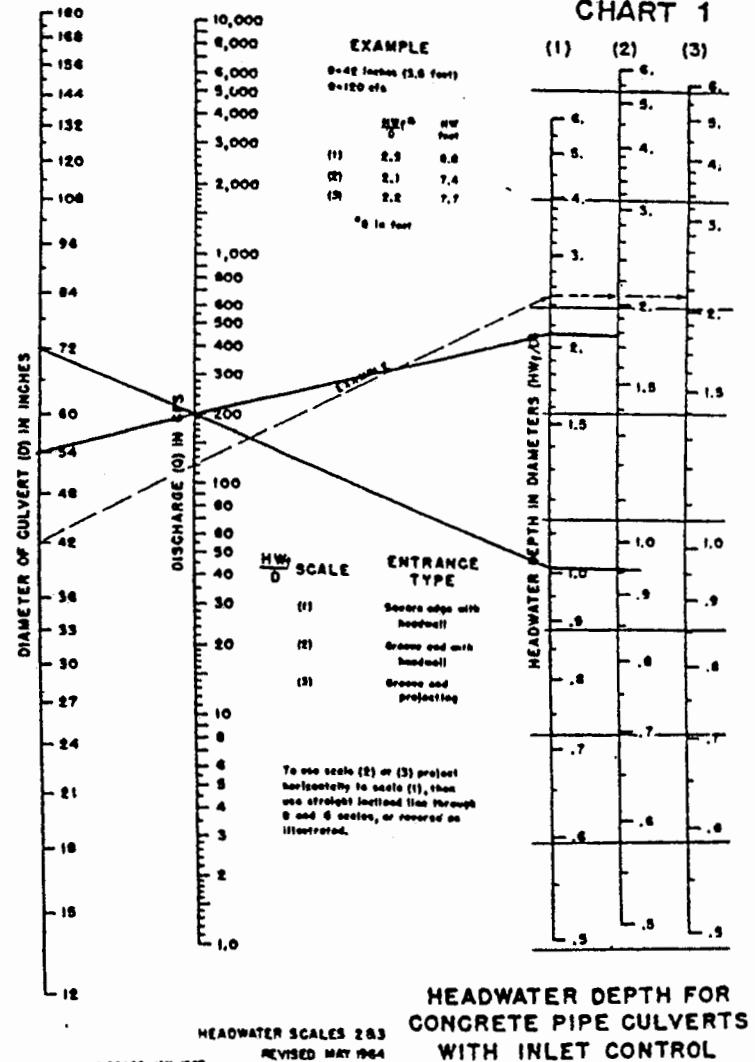
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CHART 3



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CHART 1



HW/D SCALE

ENTRANCE TYPE

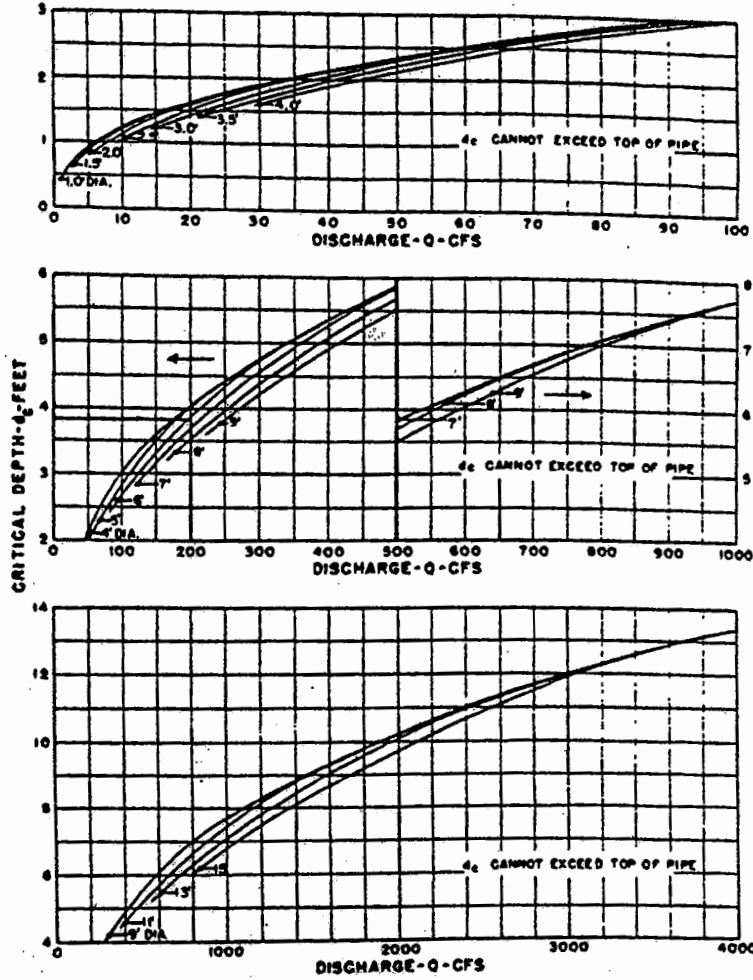
(1) Square edge with headwall

(2) Groove and with headwall

(3) Groove and projecting

To use scale (2) or (3) project horizontally to scale (1), then use straight vertical line through B and C scales, or reverse as illustrated.

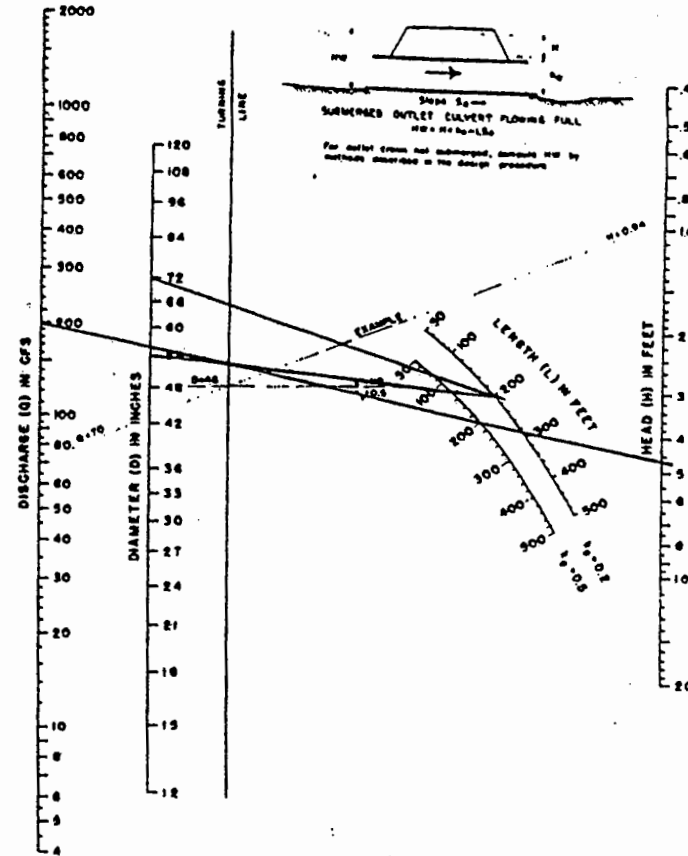
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CRITICAL DEPTH  
CIRCULAR PIPE

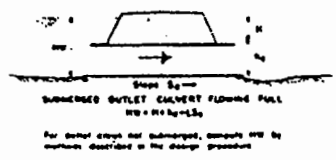
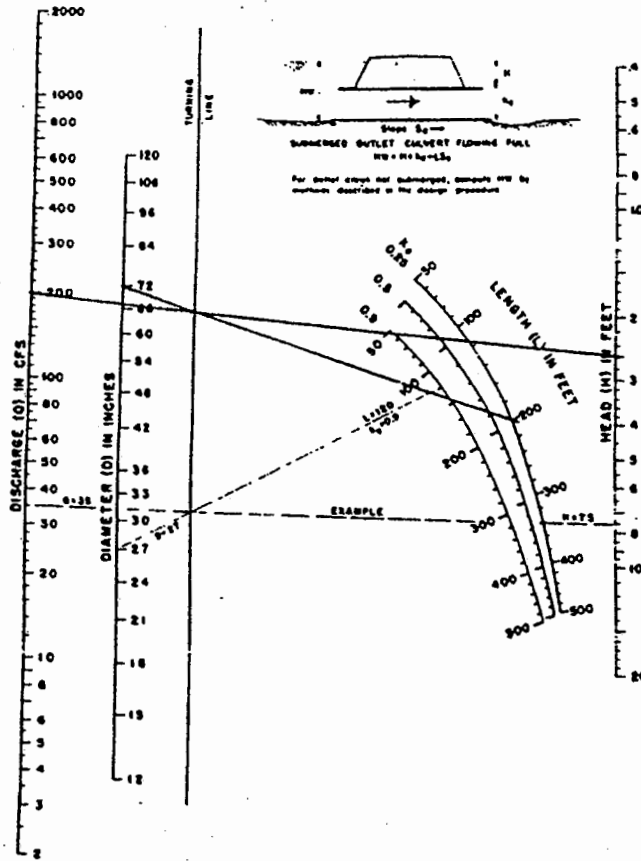
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HEAD FOR  
CONCRETE PIPE CULVERTS  
FLOWING FULL  
n=0.012

# CHART 6



**HEAD FOR  
STANDARD  
C. M. PIPE CULVERTS  
FLOWING FULL  
n = 0.024**

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d. Example Problem No. 4

An existing 7 ft by 7 ft concrete box culvert was designed for a 50-year flood of 600 ft<sup>3</sup>/s and a design headwater elevation of 114 ft. Upstream development has increased the 50-year runoff to 1,000 ft<sup>3</sup>/s. The roadway is gravel with a width of 40 ft. The roadway profile may be approximated as a broad crested weir 200 ft long. Use Figure "L-5" to calculate overtopping flows, and the following site data:

Inlet Invert Elevation: 100 ft

Entrance Condition: Square Edges

Slope: 5 percent

Roadway Centerline Elevation: 116 ft

Culvert Length: 200 ft

**Tailwater Information**

Flow, ft <sup>3</sup> /s	TW, ft
400	2.6
600	3.1
800	3.8
1000	4.1

Prepare a performance curve for this installation, including any roadway overtopping, up to a flow rate of 1,200 ft<sup>3</sup>/s.

(NOTE: Charts 8, 14 and 15, and Figure "L-5" are used in this solution.)

PROJECT: EXAMPLE PROBLEM NO. 1  
CHAPTER III, NDS NO. 5

STATION: 4+50  
 SHEET 1 OF 3

CULVERT DESIGN FORM  
 DESIGNER/DATE: WJW, 7/18  
 REVIEWER/DATE: JMN, 7/19

**HYDROLOGICAL DATA**

METHOD: SCS

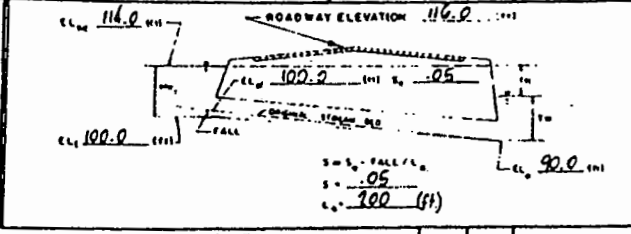
DRAINAGE AREA: 100 AC. STREAM SLOPE: 5.0%

CHANNEL SHAPE: TRAPEZOIDAL

ROUTING: N/A OTHER:

**DESIGN FLOWS/TAILWATER**

N.Y. YEAR(S)	Q (CFS)	TW (FT)
50 (OLD)	600	3.1
50 (NEW)	1000	4.1



CULVERT DESCRIPTION: MATERIAL - SHAPE - SIZE - ENTRANCE	TOTAL FLOW Q (CFS)	FLOW PER FOOT Q/F (CFS)	HEADWATER CALCULATIONS										CONTROL ELEVATION (FT)	INLET VELOCITY (FT/S)	COMMENTS	
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	700	100.0	1.45	13.7	-	113.7	3.5	6.8	6.9	6.9	1	6.0	102.9	113.7	-	-
	800	114.3	2.35	16.5	-	116.5	3.8	7.0	7.0	7.0	1	7.9	104.9	116.5	-	-
	850	121.9	2.55	17.9	-	117.9	3.9	"	"	"	1	9.0	106.0	117.5	-	-

**TECHNICAL FOOTNOTES:**

(1) USE Q/F FOR BOX CULVERTS

(2) HW<sub>1</sub>, TW = HW<sub>2</sub>, TW OR HW<sub>2</sub>, TW FROM DESIGN CHARTS

(3) FALL = HW<sub>1</sub> - (EL<sub>in</sub> - EL<sub>out</sub>); FALL IS ZERO FOR CULVERTS IN GRADE

(4) EL<sub>in</sub> = HW<sub>1</sub> + ELEVMENT OF INLET CONTROL SECTION

(5) TW BASED ON DOWN STREAM CONTROL OR FLOW DEPTH IN CHANNEL

(6) EL<sub>out</sub> = TW + (L<sub>1</sub> + 0.25) (WHICHEVER IS GREATER)

(7)  $q = \left[ \frac{1.49}{1.49 + 0.000149 L^2} \right]^{0.58} Q^{0.83}$

(8) EL<sub>out</sub> = EL<sub>1</sub> + 1.0

**SUBSCRIPT DEFINITIONS:**

1. APPROXIMATE  
 2. CULVERT FACE  
 3. DESIGN HEADWATER  
 4. HEADWATER BY INLET CONTROL  
 5. HEADWATER BY OUTLET CONTROL  
 6. INLET CONTROL SECTION  
 7. OUTLET  
 8. STREAMLINE AT CULVERT FACE  
 9. TAILWATER

**COMMENTS / DISCUSSION:**

NEW Q<sub>50</sub> RESULTS W/ ROADWAY OVERTOPPING. 2.5' ABOVE EL<sub>hd</sub>

**CULVERT BARREL SELECTED:**

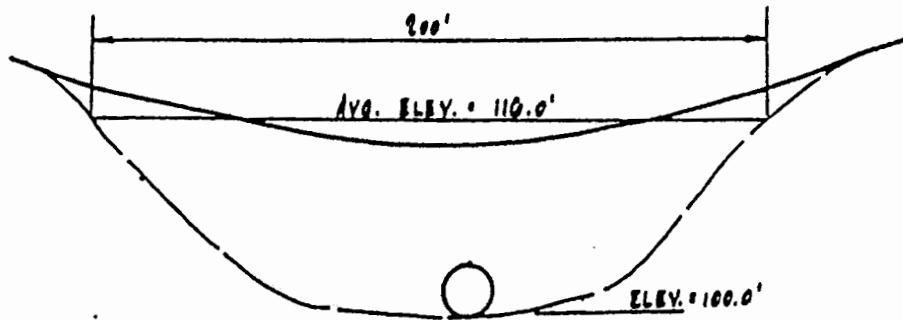
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SHAPE: RECTANGULAR

MATERIAL: CONC. .012

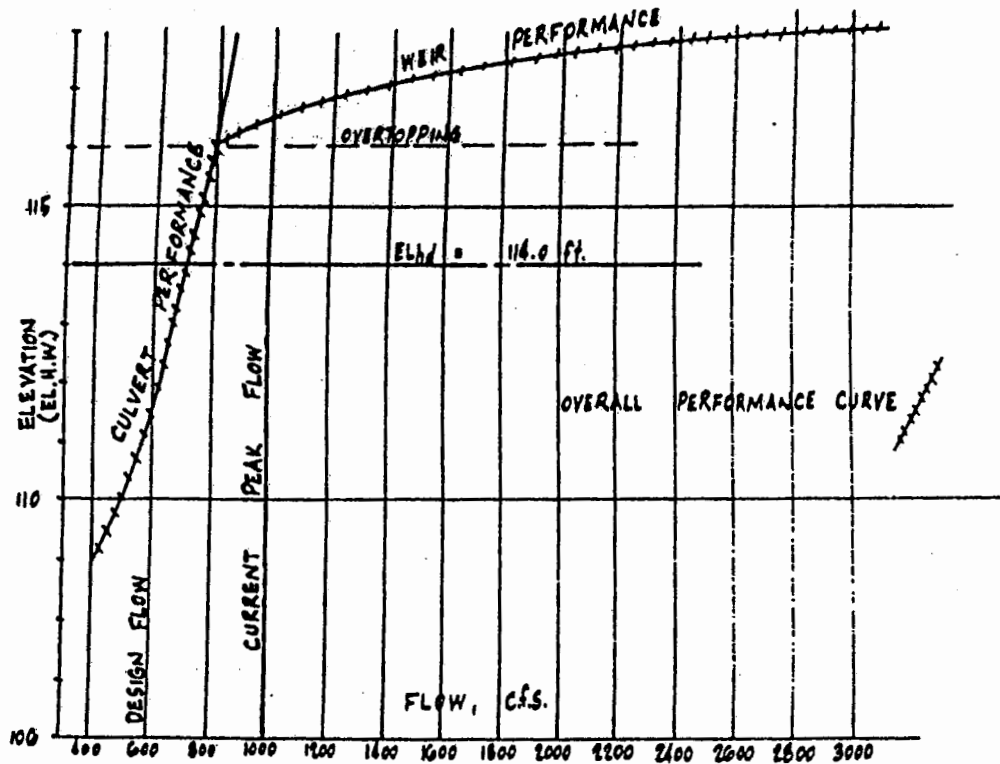
ENTRANCE: SQ. EDGE W/ HEADWALL

CULVERT DESCRIPTION: MATERIAL - SHAPE - SIZE - ENTRANCE	TOTAL FLOW Q (CFS)	FLOW PER FOOT Q/F (CFS)	HEADWATER CALCULATIONS										CONTROL ELEVATION (FT)	INLET VELOCITY (FT/S)	COMMENTS	
			INLET CONTROL					OUTLET CONTROL								
			HW <sub>1</sub>	HW <sub>2</sub>	FALL	EL <sub>in</sub>	TW	q <sub>1</sub>	q <sub>2</sub>	q <sub>3</sub>	q <sub>4</sub>	q <sub>5</sub>	EL <sub>out</sub>			
CONC. - BOX - 7'x7' - SQ. EDGE	1000	142.9	3.21	22.5	-	122.5	4.1	7.0	7.0	0.5	1.26	109.6	122.5	-	-	



$Q_c$ CULVERT FLOW	ELH	$H_0$	$Q_o$ OVERTOPPING FLOW	$Q$ TOTAL FLOW
400	108.1	-	-	400
600	111.0	-	-	600
700	113.7	-	-	700
800	116.5	0.5	191	991
850	117.5	1.5	1073	1923
1000	122.5	6.0	-	-

FROM FIGURE "L-5B" :  $C_j = 2.70 @ HW_r = .5$   
 $Q = C_j L HW_r^{1.5}$   $C_j = 2.92 @ HW_r = 1.5$  }  $K_t = 1$



### C. SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Several special considerations are briefly mentioned here, noting that design information is available in HDS-5.

1. **Improved Inlet Design** Often a culvert operates under inlet control conditions. When this is the case, simply adding pre-manufactured flared end sections or other inlet improvements may often improve culvert hydraulic efficiency and be cost effective. For larger flows and culverts governed by inlet control, it may be economically advantageous to design a tapered inlet. Tapered inlets improve culvert performance primarily by reducing the contraction at the inlet control section. Methods and design charts are presented in Section IV of HDS-5 for side, slope, and combined side/slope tapered inlets.
2. **Special Applications** Special applications may not have frequent usage, but information regarding design is available in Section VI of HDS-5. These applications include flow control and measurement through use of culverts, low bend installations, bends, siphons, junctions, and fish passage.
3. **Erosion Control** This is an important aspect of culvert design. Riprap protection at outlets is discussed in Appendix "J". Additional information regarding erosion for inlets, outlets, and sedimentation is provided in Section VI of HDS-5 and also FHWA HEC-14, "Hydraulic Design of Energy Dissipators for Culverts and Channels".
4. **Debris Control** Debris includes some combination of floating material, suspended sediment, and bed load. Debris can accumulate at a culvert inlet or become lodged in the inlet or barrel. Various types of controls are briefly discussed in HDS-5, but a more comprehensive guide is provided in the FHWA HEC-9, "Debris Control Structures".
5. **Service Life** The service life of culverts is dependent upon factors such as soil and water corrosivity, culvert material and coating, sediment and abrasion potential, and loadings.
  - a. **Corrosion Resistance** CDOT provides guidelines on the selection of corrosion resistant culverts. Table "L-2" is a reproduction of a CDOT laboratory guideline which assists in the determination of a CDOT "Corrosion Resistance" or CR number, which is then used with Table "L-3" (Table 624-1 in CDOT 1991) to indicate which culvert types will likely have acceptable service lives. Other guidance on soil and water PH and electrical resistance and resultant expected service life of metal culverts is provided in Chapter 5 of the "Handbook of Steel Drainage & Highway Construction Products".

- b. **Abrasion** Guidelines are given in the AISC handbook for selection of coatings against abrasion for metal culverts. Concrete resists abrasion well, as does polyethylene pipe. Some coatings provided for corrosion resistance are also resistant to abrasion, but most are not. One must be cautious in selection of a coating that must meet both requirements.

**TABLE "L-2"**  
**GUIDELINES FOR SELECTION OF CORROSION RESISTANCE LEVELS**  
 (Reproduced from a March 21, 1983 CDOT guideline)

SOIL				WATER		
CR LEVEL	Sulfate (SO <sub>4</sub> ) % max	Chloride (Cl) % max	pH	Sulfate (SO <sub>4</sub> ) ppm max	Chloride (Cl) ppm max	pH
CR 0	0.05	0.05	6.0 - 8.5	250	250	6.0 - 8.5
CR 1	0.15	0.15	6.0 - 8.5	250	250	6.0 - 8.5
CR 2	0.05	0.05	6.0 - 8.5	500	500	6.0 - 8.5
CR 3	0.15	0.15	6.0 - 8.5	500	500	6.0 - 8.5
CR 4	0.50	1.00	5.0 - 9.0	1000	1000	5.0 - 9.0
CR 5	1.00	1.50	5.0 - 9.0	2000	2000	5.0 - 9.0
CR 6	>1.00	>1.50	<5.0 or >9.0	>2000	>2000	<5.0 or >9.0

**NOTES:**

1. No special corrosion protection is required when the CR level is zero.
2. This table is to be used as an aid in the selection of a CR Level. Observations of field conditions should always be considered in making final decision.
3. Concrete pipe used when the pH of either the soil or water is less than 5 should be coated in accordance with 706.10 of the CDOT Standard Specifications.

Corrosion Resistance Number				CR1	CR2	CR3	CR4	CR5	CR6
Corrosion Condition Description				Mild	Mild	Mild	Moderate	Severe	Extreme
Corrosion Condition Inside or Outside Pipe				Outside Only	Inside Only	Both	Both	Both	Both
Type of Pipe									
Corrosion I.D. No.	Material Description	Material Abbreviation	CDOT Specification						
1.	Corrugated Steel Pipe	CSP	707.02	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
2.	Bituminous Coated Corrugated Steel Pipe	Bit. Co. CSP	707.03	YES <sup>1</sup>	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
3.	Aramid Fiber Bonded Corrugated Steel Pipe	A.F. Bo. CSP	707.03	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
4.	Corrugated Aluminum Pipe	CAP	707.06	YES <sup>2</sup>	YES <sup>2</sup>	YES <sup>2</sup>	YES <sup>2</sup>	YES	NO
5.	Precoated Corrugated Steel Pipe coated on both sides with 0.010 inch minimum	PCSP - both sides	707.10	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO
6.	Reinforced or Nonreinforced Concrete Pipe, Type I Cement	RCP or NRCP	706.02 and .01	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO
7.	Reinforced or Nonreinforced Concrete Pipe, Type II Cement	RCP or NRCP	706.02 and .01	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO <sup>3</sup>	NO
8.	Reinforced or Nonreinforced Concrete Pipe, Type V Cement	RCP or NRCP	706.02 and .01	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
9.	Polyvinyl Chloride	PVC	712.14	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
10.	Polyethylene	PE	712.14	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES

<sup>1</sup> Coated Steel Structural Plate Pipe of equal or greater diameter, conforming to CDOT Section 510, may be substituted for Bit. Co. CSP.

<sup>2</sup> Aluminum alloy Structural Plate Pipe of equal or greater diameter, conforming to CDOT Section 510, may be substituted for CAP.

<sup>3</sup> RCP or NRCP made with Type II cement having maximums of 5% C<sub>3</sub>A and 25% (C<sub>4</sub>AF+2C<sub>3</sub>A) may be used for corrosion condition CR-5 if approved.

**CULVERT SELECTION FOR CORROSION RESISTANCE**

**TABLE "L-3"**

## D. DESIGN CHARTS AND TABLES

Except for Table "L-5", and Figures "L-12" and "L-13", the tables and charts provided in this section are all taken from the 1985 edition of HDS-5. Not all of the HDS-5 design charts are provided, but what is provided should be applicable to most culvert applications. The tables and charts provided herein are listed below to assist in finding the desired material.

### Tables and Figures

Table "L-4"	Entrance Loss Coefficients
Table "L-5"	Culvert Design Worksheet
Figure "L-12"	Normal Depth for Uniform Flow Graph
Figure "L-13"	Subcritical Culvert Brink Flow

### Chart

#### Circular Culverts ○

- 1 Headwater Depth for Concrete Pipe Culverts With Inlet Control
- 2 Headwater Depth for C.M. Pipe With Inlet Control
- 3 Headwater Depth for Circular Pipe Culverts with Beveled Ring Control
- 4 Critical Depth — Circular Pipe
- 5 Head for Concrete Pipe Culverts Flowing Full,  $n = 0.012$
- 6 Head For Standard C.M. Pipe Culverts Flowing Full,  $n = 0.024$
- 7 Head For Structural Plate Corrugated Metal Pipe Culverts Flowing Full,  $n = 0.0328$  to  $0.0302$

### Chart

#### Concrete Box Culverts □

- 8 Headwater Depth For Box Culverts With Inlet Control
- 9 Headwater Depth for Inlet Control Rectangular Box Culverts, Flared Wingwalls  $18^\circ$  to  $33.7^\circ$  and  $45^\circ$
- 10 Headwater Depth for Inlet Control Rectangular Box Culverts,  $90^\circ$  Headwall Chamfered or Beveled Edges
- 11 Headwater Depth for Inlet Control, Single Barrel Box Culverts, Skewed Headwalls, Chamfered or Beveled Inlet Edges
- 12 Headwater Depth For Inlet Control, Rectangular Box Culverts, Flared Wingwalls, Normal and Skewed Inlets  $\frac{3}{4}$ -in Chamfer At Top of Opening
- 13 Headwater Depth for Inlet Control, Rectangular Box Culverts, Offset Flared Wingwalls and Beveled Edge At Top Of Inlet
- 14 Critical Depth, Rectangular Section
- 15 Head For Concrete Box Culverts Flowing Full,  $n = 0.012$

#### Corrugated Metal Box Culverts ◡

- 16 Inlet Control, Corrugated Metal Box Culverts, Rise/Span  $< 0.3$
- 17 Inlet Control, Corrugated Metal Box Culverts,  $0.3 \leq$  Rise/Span  $< 0.4$
- 18 Inlet Control, Corrugated Metal Box Culverts,  $0.4 \leq$  Rise/Span  $< 0.5$

### Corrugated Metal Box Culverts

- 19 Inlet Control, Corrugated Metal Box Culverts, Rise/Span  $\geq 0.5$
- 20 Dimensionless Critical Depth Chart, Corrugated Metal Boxes
- 21 Head For Corrugated Metal Box Culverts Flowing Full With Concrete Bottom, Rise/Span  $< 0.3$
- 22 Head For Corrugated Metal Box Culverts Flowing Full With Concrete Bottom,  $0.3 \leq \text{Rise/Span} < 0.4$
- 23 Head For Corrugated Metal Box Culverts Flowing Full With Concrete Bottom,  $0.4 \leq \text{Rise/Span} < 0.5$
- 24 Head For Corrugated Metal Box Culverts Flowing Full With Concrete Bottom Rise/Span  $\geq 0.5$
- 25 Head For Corrugated Metal Box Culverts Flowing Full With Corrugated Metal Bottom, Rise/Span  $< 0.3$
- 26 Head For Corrugated Metal Box Culverts Flowing Full With Corrugated Bottom,  $0.3 \leq \text{Rise/Span} < 0.4$
- 27 Head For Corrugated Metal Box Culverts Flowing Full With Corrugated Bottom,  $0.4 \leq \text{Rise/Span} < 0.5$
- 28 Head For Corrugated Metal Box Culverts Flowing Full With Corrugated Bottom, Rise/Span  $> 0.5$

### Elliptical Culverts

- 29 Headwater For Oval Concrete Pipe Culverts, Long Axis Horizontal, With Inlet Control
- 30 For Oval Concrete Pipe Culverts, Long Axis Vertical, With Inlet Control
- 31 Critical Depth — Oval Concrete Pipe, Long Axis Horizontal
- 32 Critical Depth — Oval Concrete Pipe, Long Axis Vertical
- 33 Head For Oval Concrete Pipe Culverts, Long Axis Horizontal or Vertical Flowing Full,  $n = 0.012$

### Pipe/Arch Culverts

- 34 Headwater Depth For C.M. Pipe-Arch Culverts With Inlet Control
- 35 Headwater Depth For Inlet Control Structural Plate Pipe-Arch Culverts, 18-in Radius Corner Plate, Projecting Or Headwall Inlet, Headwall With Or Without Edge Bevel
- 36 Headwater Depth For Inlet Control Structural Plate Pipe-Arch Culverts, 31-in Radius Corner Plate, Projecting Or Headwall Inlet, Headwall With Or Without Edge Bevel
- 37 Critical Depth — Standard Corrugated Metal Pipe-Arch
- 38 Critical Depth — Structural Plate Corrugated Metal Pipe-Arch
- 39 Head For Standard C.M. Pipe-Arch Culverts Flowing Full,  $n = 0.024$
- 40 Head For Structural Plate Corrugated Metal Pipe-Arch Culverts, 18-in Corner Radius Flowing Full,  $n = 0.0327 - 0.0306$

### Arch Culverts

- 41 Headwater Depth For Corrugated Metal Arch Culverts With Inlet Control  $0.3 \leq \text{Rise/Span} < 0.4$
- 42 Headwater Depth For Corrugated Metal Arch Culverts With Inlet Control  $0.4 \leq \text{Rise/Span} < 0.5$
- 43 Headwater Depth For Corrugated Metal Arch Culverts With Inlet Control Rise/Span  $\geq 0.5$
- 44 Dimensionless Critical Depth Chart, Corrugated Metal Arches
- 45 Head For Corrugated Metal Arch Culverts, Flowing Full With Concrete Bottom,  $0.3 \leq \text{Rise/Span} < 0.4$
- 46 Head For Corrugated Metal Arch Culverts, Flowing Full With Concrete Bottom,  $0.4 \leq \text{Rise/Span} < 0.5$
- 47 Head For Corrugated Metal Arch Culverts, Flowing Full With Concrete Bottom, Rise/Span  $\geq 0.5$
- 48 Head For Corrugated Metal Arch Culverts, Flowing Full With Earth Bottom,  $0.3 \leq \text{Rise/Span} < 0.4$
- 49 Head For Corrugated Metal Arch Culverts, Flowing Full With Earth Bottom,  $0.4 \leq \text{Rise/Span} < 0.5$
- 50 Head For Corrugated Metal Arch Culverts, Flowing Full With Earth Bottom, Rise/Span  $\geq 0.5$



TABLE "L-4" — ENTRANCE LOSS COEFFICIENTS  
 Outlet Control, Full or Partly Full Entrance Head Loss

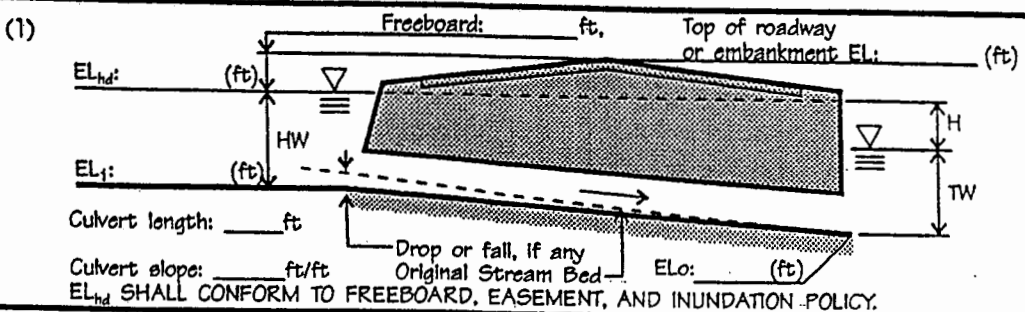
$$H_e = k_e \left( \frac{V^2}{2g} \right)$$

<u>Type of Structure and Design of Entrance</u>	<u>Coefficient k<sub>e</sub></u>
<u>Pipe, Concrete</u>	
Projecting from fill, socket end (groove-end) .....	0.2
Projecting from fill, sq. cut end .....	0.5
Headwall or headwall and wingwall	
Socket end of pipe (groove-end) .....	0.2
Square-edge .....	0.5
Rounded (radius = 1/12D) .....	0.2
Mitered to conform to fill slope .....	0.7
* End-Section conforming to fill slope .....	0.5
Beveled edges, 33.7° or 45° bevels .....	0.2
Side- or slope-tapered inlet .....	0.2
<u>Pipe, or Pipe-Arch, Corrugated Metal</u>	
Projecting from fill (no headwall) .....	0.9
Headwall or headwall and wingwalls square-edge .....	0.5
Mitered to conform to fill slope, paved or unpaved slope .....	0.7
* End-Section conforming to fill slope .....	0.5
Beveled edges, 33.7° or 45° bevels .....	0.2
Side- or slope-tapered inlet .....	0.2
<u>Box, Reinforced Concrete</u>	
Headwall parallel to embankment (no wingwalls)	
Square-edged on 3 edges .....	0.5
Rounded on 3 edges to radius of 1/12 barrel dimension, or beveled edges on 3 sides .....	0.2
Wingwalls at 30° to 75° to barrel	
Square-edged at crown .....	0.4
Crown edge rounded to radius of 1/12 barrel dimension, or beveled top edge .....	0.2
Wingwall at 10° to 25° to barrel	
Square-edged at crown .....	0.5
Wingwalls parallel (extension of sides)	
Square-edged at crown .....	0.7
Side- or slope-tapered inlet .....	0.2

\*Note: "End Section conforming to fill slope," made of either metal or concrete, are the sections commonly available from manufacturers. From limited hydraulic tests they are equivalent in operation to a headwall in both inlet and outlet control.

Project: \_\_\_\_\_ Location or Culvert I.D.: \_\_\_\_\_ Design By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  $Q_2$ : \_\_\_\_\_ cfs  $Q_{100}$ : \_\_\_\_\_ cfs

- STEPS (1) to (21)**
- 1)-(8) Fill in applicable data.
  - 9) Divide total flow by # culverts and also by width for box culverts.
  - 10) See pp. L-30 & 31 for applicable inlet control design chart.
  - 11) & (12) Multiply (10) by (5) or (6) to get HW then add it to  $EL_1$  to get req'd HW elevation  $EL_{hd}$  for inlet control.
  - 13) Enter pre-determined tailwater depth, or 0.4D if unobtainable.
  - 14) & (15) See pp. L-30 & 31 for applicable critical depth chart. Use D from (5) or (6).
  - (16)  $h_o$  is greater of (13) or (15).
  - (17) See Table "L-4", page L-32.
  - (18) See pp. L-30 & 31 for applicable outlet control design chart.
  - (19) Add (16) and (18) to  $EL_o$  to get req'd HW elevation  $EL_{hd}$  for outlet control.
  - (20) Enter "I" if (12) exceeds (19); otherwise, enter "O".
  - (21) Enter higher value of (12) and (19). Check sketch in (1). Will the culvert meet requirements? If not, return to step (2).



TRIAL No.	CULVERT DESCRIPTION							FLOW PER CULV. (cfs)	HEADWATER CALCULATIONS											GOVERNING CONTROL	
	MAT'L TYPE	CULV. SHAPE	DIA. D (ft)	HEIGHT D (ft)	WIDTH B (ft)	No. OF CULV. (8)	INLET CONTROL				OUTLET CONTROL										
							HW D		HW (ft)	$EL_{hi}$ (ft)	TW (ft)	dc (ft)	$\frac{dc + D}{2}$ (15)	$h_o$ (ft)	$K_o$ (17)	H (ft)	$EL_{ho}$ (ft)	Type (20)	$EL_{hd}$ (21)		
(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)		

- STEPS (22) - (40)**
- 22) Enter number of selected trial from above.
  - 23 - (28) If (20) is "I", do (23) & (24) and skip (25) - (29). Otherwise, skip (23) & (24).
  - 23) See Table "F-1d" on p. F-7 or see applicable outlet control design chart for "n".
  - 24)  $Y_o = d$ . Enter  $Qn/(D^{0.48}S^{0.54})$  in Table "L-6", p. L-34 or  $Qn/(1.486D^{0.48}S^{0.54})$  in Figure "L-12", p. L-35 and read corresponding  $d/D$ . Multiply by D, and obtain  $d = Y_o$ . Skip to step (30).
  - (25) - (27) Calculate value for applicable column only. Use (9) and (5) or (6).
  - (28) Use (13) and (5) or (6).
  - (29) Enter (28) and (25) to (27) in Figure "L-13", pp. L-36 & 37 read  $Y_o/D$ . [Or, per HDS-5, skip (25) - (28), divide (14) by (5) or (6).]
  - (30) Enter (24)/D or (29) into Table "L-6", p. L-34, read corresponding  $AD^2$ , multiply by (5)<sup>2</sup> or (6)<sup>2</sup> to get  $A_o$ .
  - (31)  $(9)/(30) = V_o$
  - (32) For non-circular culverts, enter (24) or (29) x D. For circular culverts, obtain equivalent brink depth,  $Y_e = (A_o/2)^{0.5}$
  - (33) Froude number  $Fr = V_o/(32.2Y_e)^{0.5}$
  - (34) Enter permissible velocity for downstream channel per Appendix "I" or Table "VII-1" in Section VII.
  - (35) If  $V_o/V_p \leq 1.3$  &  $Fr < 0.86$ , only a flared end section is req'd. Otherwise, see Table "J-10" in Appendix "J".
  - (36) Enter value from Table "L-2", p. L-28.
  - (37) Enter corrosive I.D. No. from Table "L-3", p. L-29.
  - (38) - (39) Enter pipe and bedding specifications.
  - (40) Other remarks?

TRIAL No.	DETERMINE CONDUIT OUTFLOW VELOCITY AND FROUDE NO.										OUTLET PROTECTION REQUIRED?	CORROSION PROTECTION		STRUCTURAL		REMARKS		
	CONTROL TYPE					BRINK FLOW VALUES						CR No. (36)	PIPE CORR No. (37)	PIPE Class (38)	Bed Class (39)			
	INLET		OUTLET			$A_o$ (ft <sup>2</sup> ) (30)	$V_o$ (fps) (31)	$Y_e$ (ft) (32)	Fr (33)	$V_p$ (fps) (34)							$\frac{V_o}{V_p}$ (35)	
	PIPE 'n' (23)	$Y_o$ (ft) (24)	Froude $Q/D^{2.5}$ (25)	Parameter (U) $Q/BD^{1.5}$ (26)	$q/D^{1.5}$ (27)													TW D (28)
(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)	(32)	(33)	(34)	(35)	(36)	(37)	(38)	(39)	(40)

CULVERT DESIGN WORKSHEET

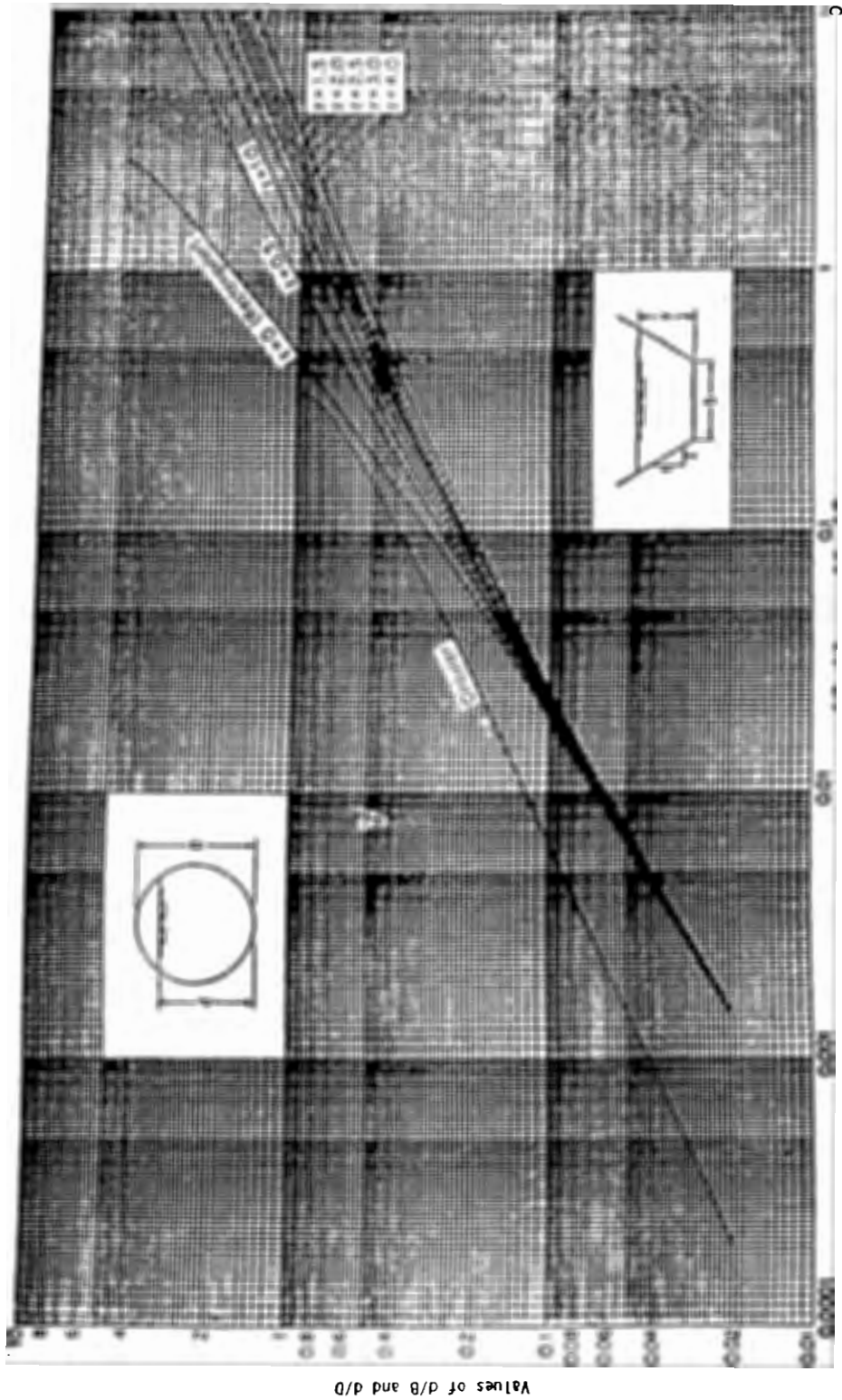
TABLE "L-5"

REPRODUCED FROM FHWA HEC-14, TABLE III-2

d = depth of flow (ft)  
 D = diameter of pipe (ft)  
 A = area of flow (ft<sup>2</sup>)  
 R<sub>h</sub> = hydraulic radius (ft)  
 Q = discharge in cubic feet per second by Manning's formula  
 n = Manning's coefficient  
 S = slope of the channel bottom and of the water surface (ft/ft)

$\frac{d}{D}$	$\frac{A}{D^2}$	$\frac{R_h}{D}$	$\frac{Qn}{D^{8/3}S^{1/2}}$	$\frac{Qn}{d^{8/3}S^{1/2}}$	$\frac{d}{D}$	$\frac{A}{D^2}$	$\frac{R_h}{D}$	$\frac{Qn}{D^{8/3}S^{1/2}}$	$\frac{Qn}{d^{8/3}S^{1/2}}$
0.01	0.0013	0.0066	0.00007	15.04	0.51	0.4027	0.2531	0.239	1.442
0.02	0.0037	0.0132	0.00031	10.57	0.52	0.4127	0.2562	0.247	1.415
0.03	0.0069	0.0197	0.00074	8.56	0.53	0.4227	0.2592	0.255	1.388
0.04	0.0105	0.0262	0.00138	7.38	0.54	0.4327	0.2621	0.263	1.362
0.05	0.0147	0.0325	0.00222	6.55	0.55	0.4426	0.2649	0.271	1.336
0.06	0.0192	0.0389	0.00328	5.95	0.56	0.4526	0.2676	0.279	1.311
0.07	0.0242	0.0451	0.00455	5.47	0.57	0.4625	0.2703	0.287	1.286
0.08	0.0294	0.0513	0.00604	5.09	0.58	0.4724	0.2728	0.295	1.262
0.09	0.0350	0.0575	0.00775	4.76	0.59	0.4822	0.2753	0.303	1.238
0.10	0.0409	0.0635	0.00967	4.49	0.60	0.4920	0.2776	0.311	1.215
0.11	0.0470	0.0695	0.01181	4.25	0.61	0.5018	0.2799	0.319	1.192
0.12	0.0534	0.0755	0.01417	4.04	0.62	0.5115	0.2821	0.327	1.170
0.13	0.0600	0.0813	0.01674	3.86	0.63	0.5212	0.2842	0.335	1.148
0.14	0.0668	0.0871	0.01952	3.69	0.64	0.5308	0.2862	0.343	1.126
0.15	0.0739	0.0929	0.0225	3.54	0.65	0.5404	0.2882	0.350	1.105
0.16	0.0811	0.0985	0.0257	3.41	0.66	0.5499	0.2900	0.358	1.084
0.17	0.0885	0.1042	0.0291	3.28	0.67	0.5594	0.2917	0.366	1.064
0.18	0.0961	0.1097	0.0327	3.17	0.68	0.5687	0.2933	0.373	1.044
0.19	0.1039	0.1152	0.0365	3.06	0.69	0.5780	0.2948	0.380	1.024
0.20	0.1118	0.1206	0.0406	2.96	0.70	0.5872	0.2962	0.388	1.004
0.21	0.1199	0.1259	0.0448	2.87	0.71	0.5964	0.2975	0.395	0.985
0.22	0.1281	0.1312	0.0492	2.79	0.72	0.6054	0.2987	0.402	0.965
0.23	0.1365	0.1364	0.0537	2.71	0.73	0.6143	0.2998	0.409	0.947
0.24	0.1449	0.1416	0.0585	2.63	0.74	0.6231	0.3008	0.416	0.928
0.25	0.1535	0.1466	0.0634	2.56	0.75	0.6319	0.3017	0.422	0.910
0.26	0.1623	0.1516	0.0686	2.49	0.76	0.6405	0.3024	0.429	0.891
0.27	0.1711	0.1566	0.0739	2.42	0.77	0.6489	0.3031	0.435	0.873
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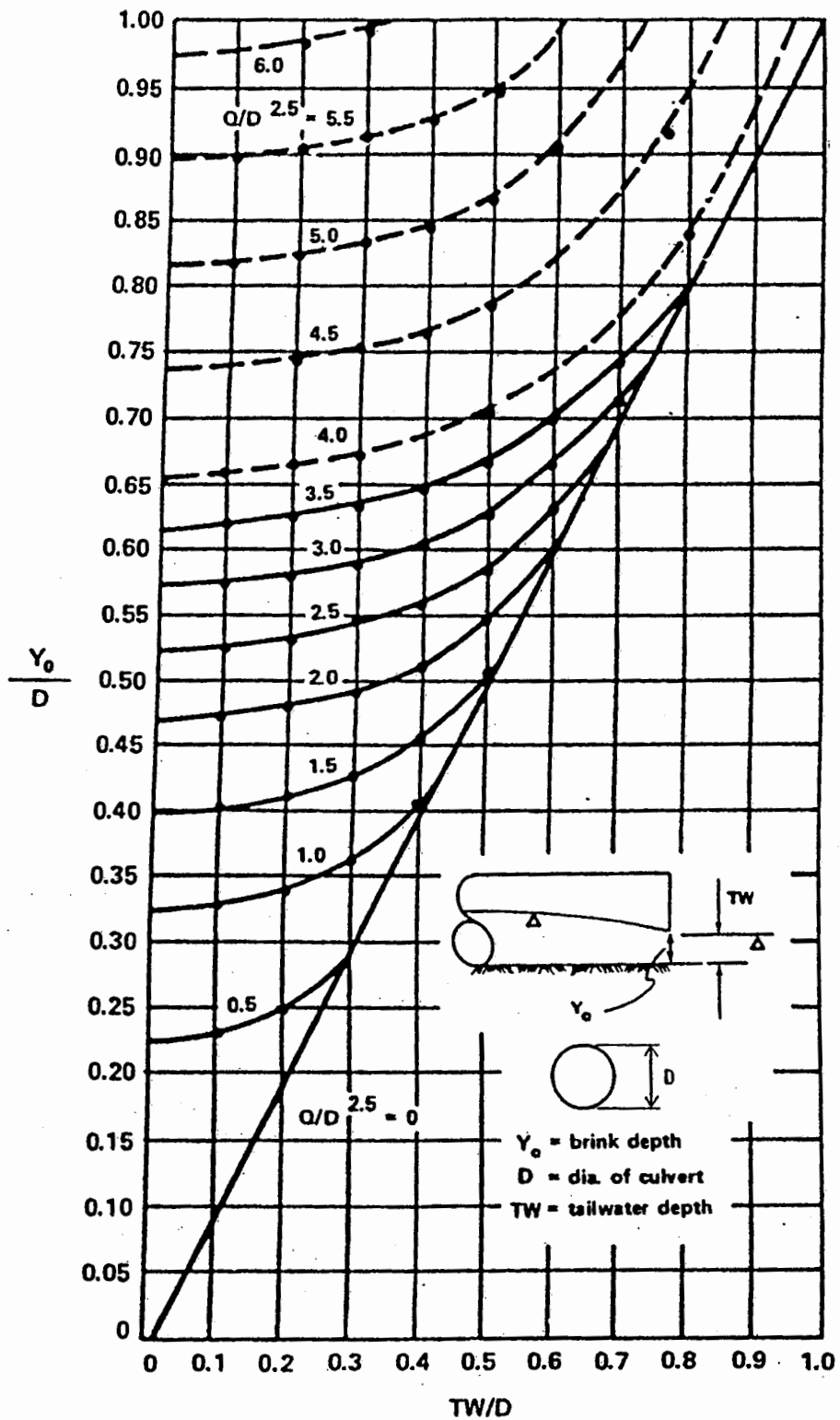
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NORMAL DEPTH FOR UNIFORM FLOW GRAPH

FIGURE "L-12"

REPRODUCED FROM FIGURE III-10 IN HEC-14

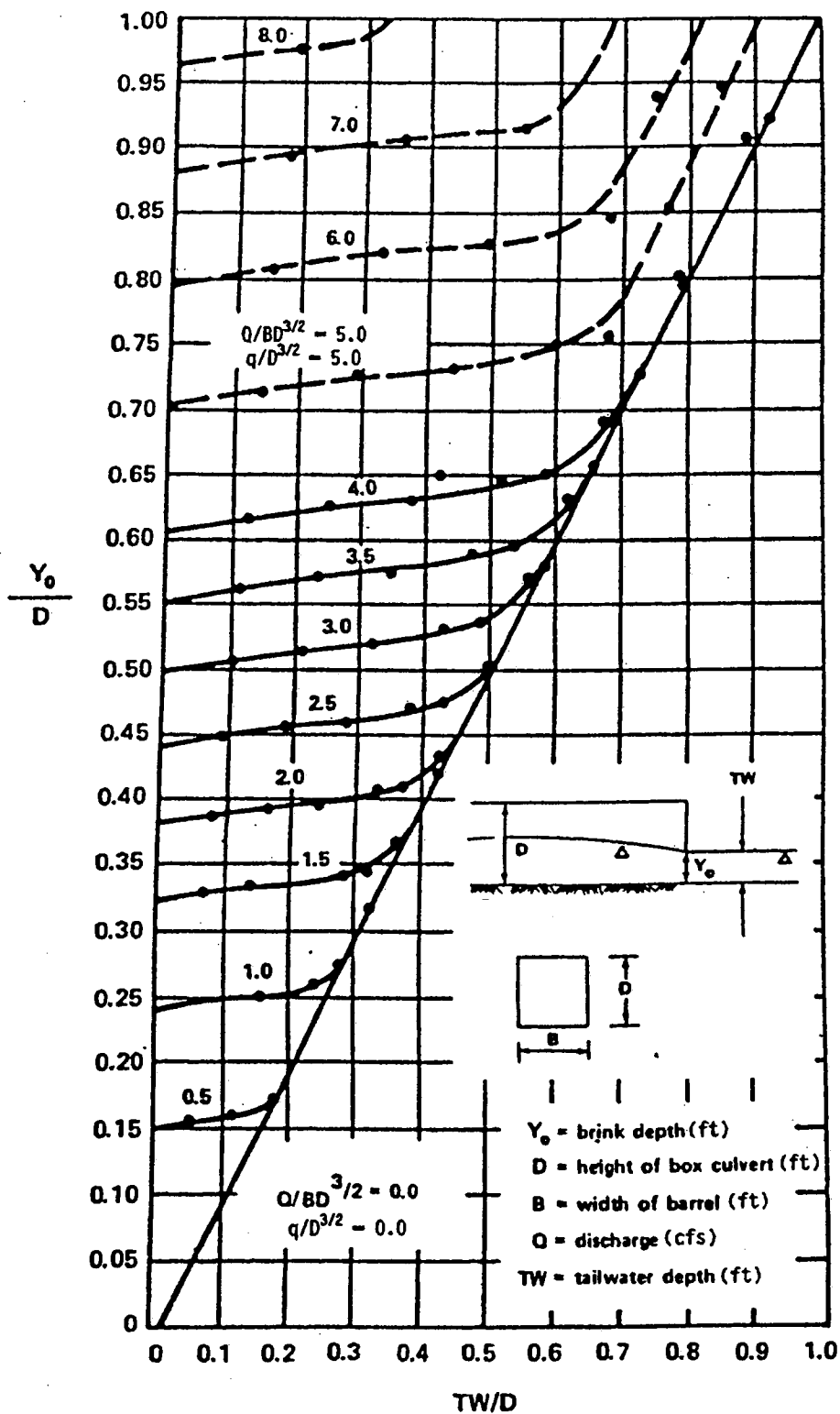


Applicable for  $TW < d_c$ . Enter  $TW/D$ , go vertical to  $Q/D^{2.5}$ , read horizontal to  $Y_0/D$ .

SUBCRITICAL CULVERT BRINK FLOW: CIRCULAR

FIGURE "L-13a"

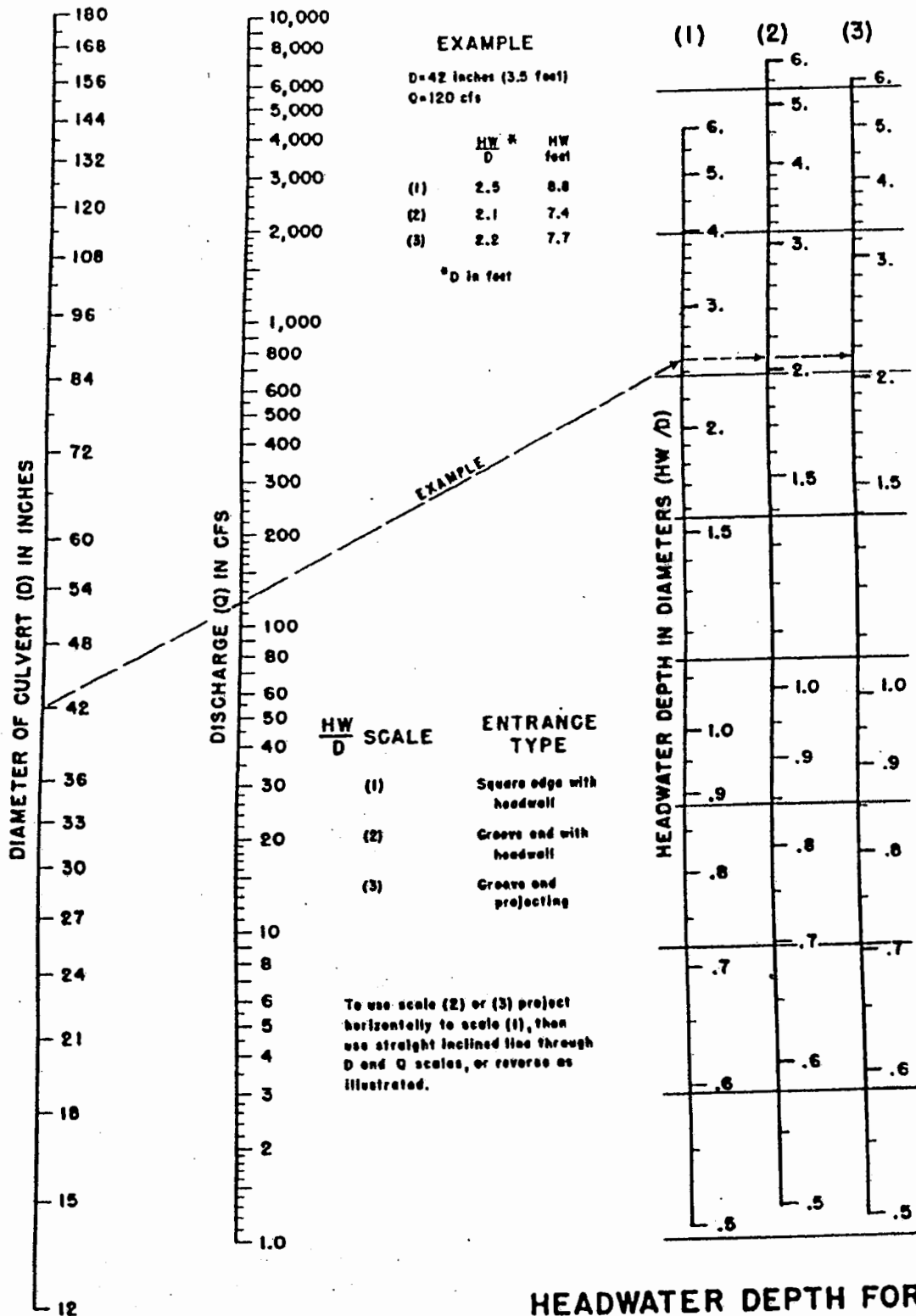
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# CHART 1



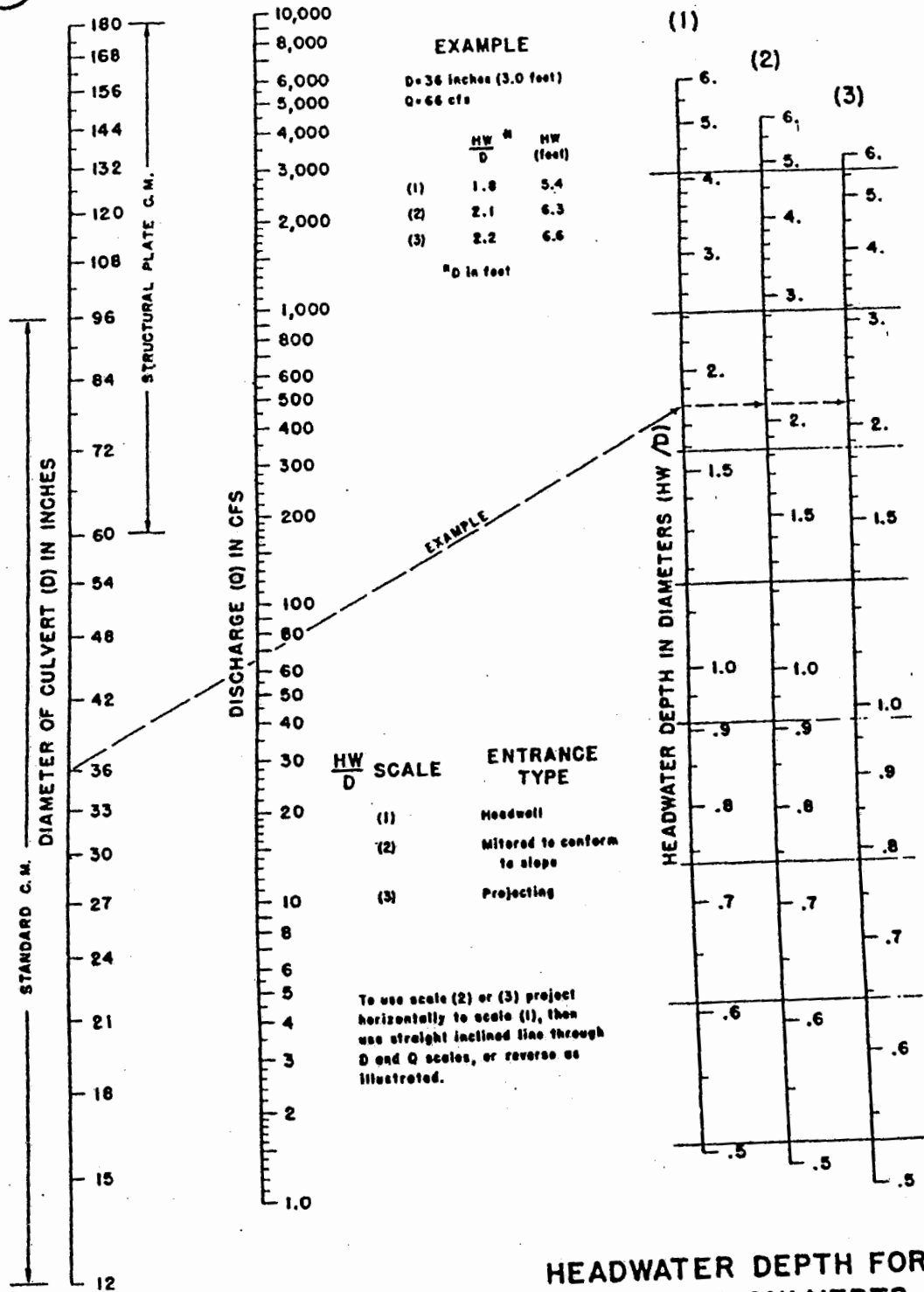
## HEADWATER DEPTH FOR CONCRETE PIPE CULVERTS WITH INLET CONTROL

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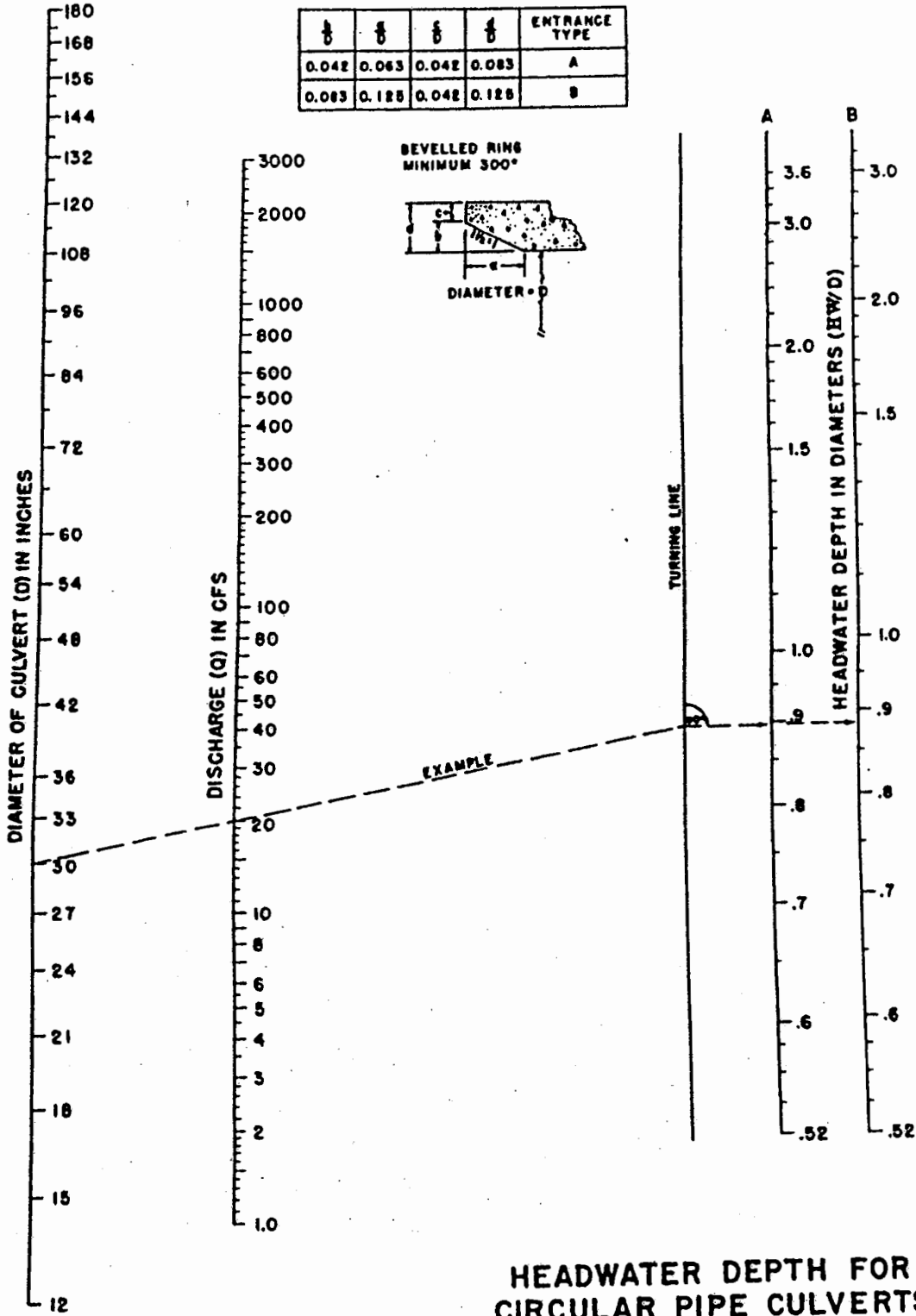


# CHART 2



## HEADWATER DEPTH FOR C. M. PIPE CULVERTS WITH INLET CONTROL

# CHART 3

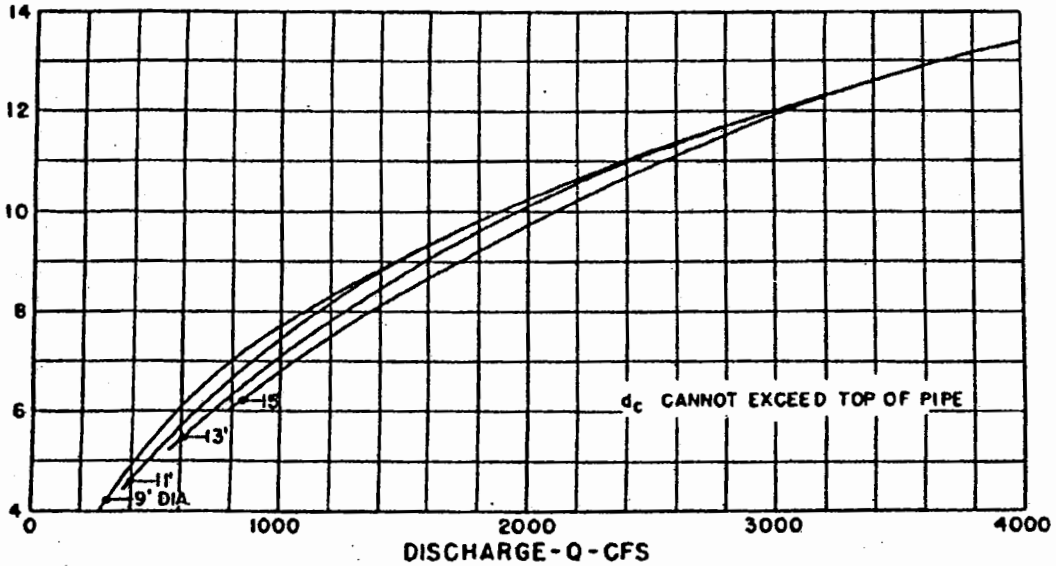
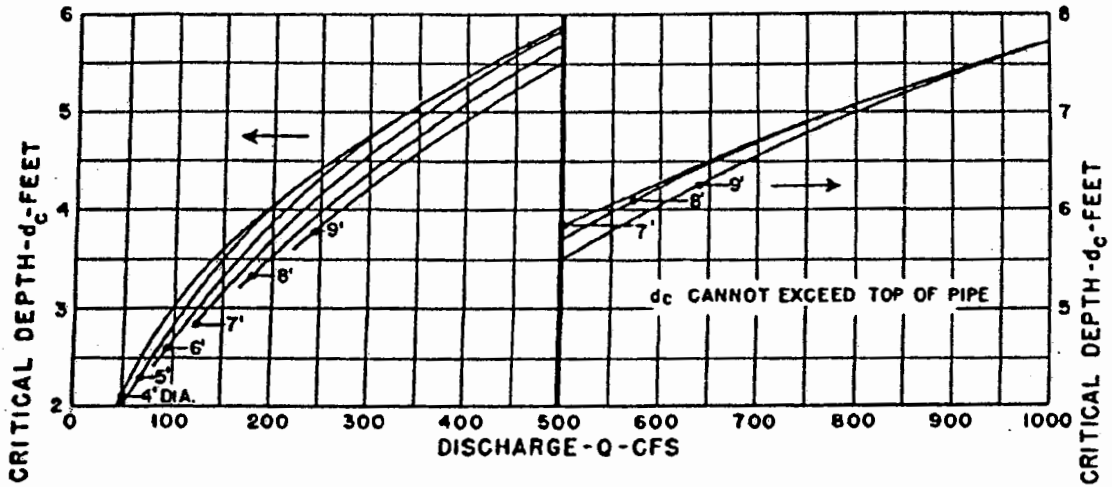
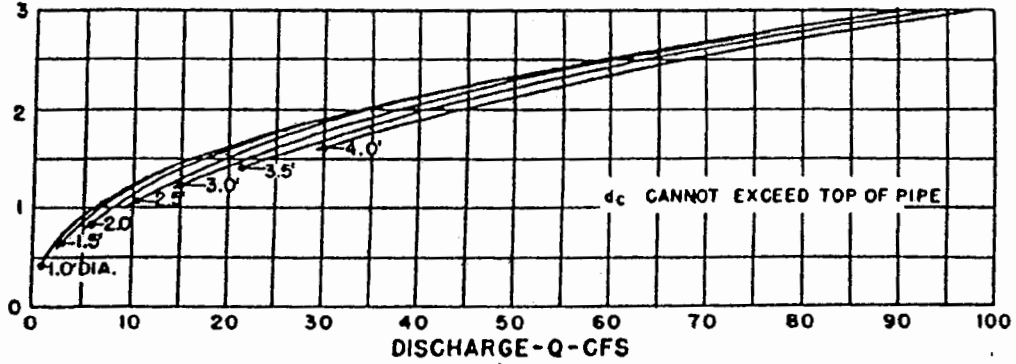


**HEADWATER DEPTH FOR  
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WITH BEVELED RING  
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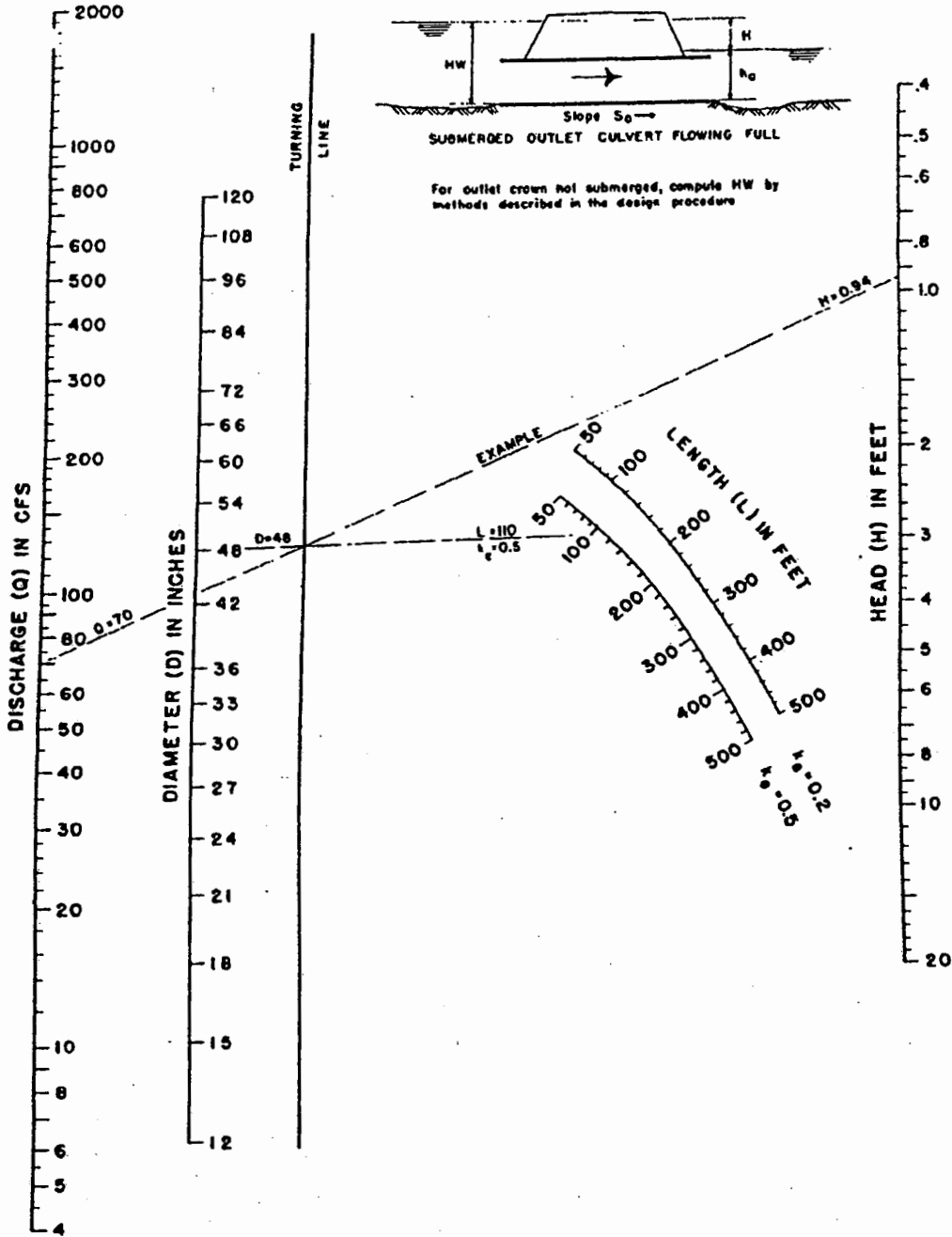
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## CRITICAL DEPTH CIRCULAR PIPE

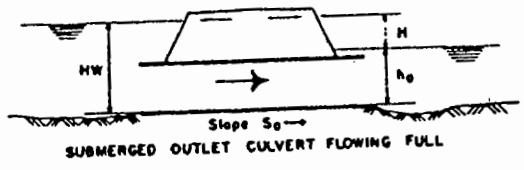
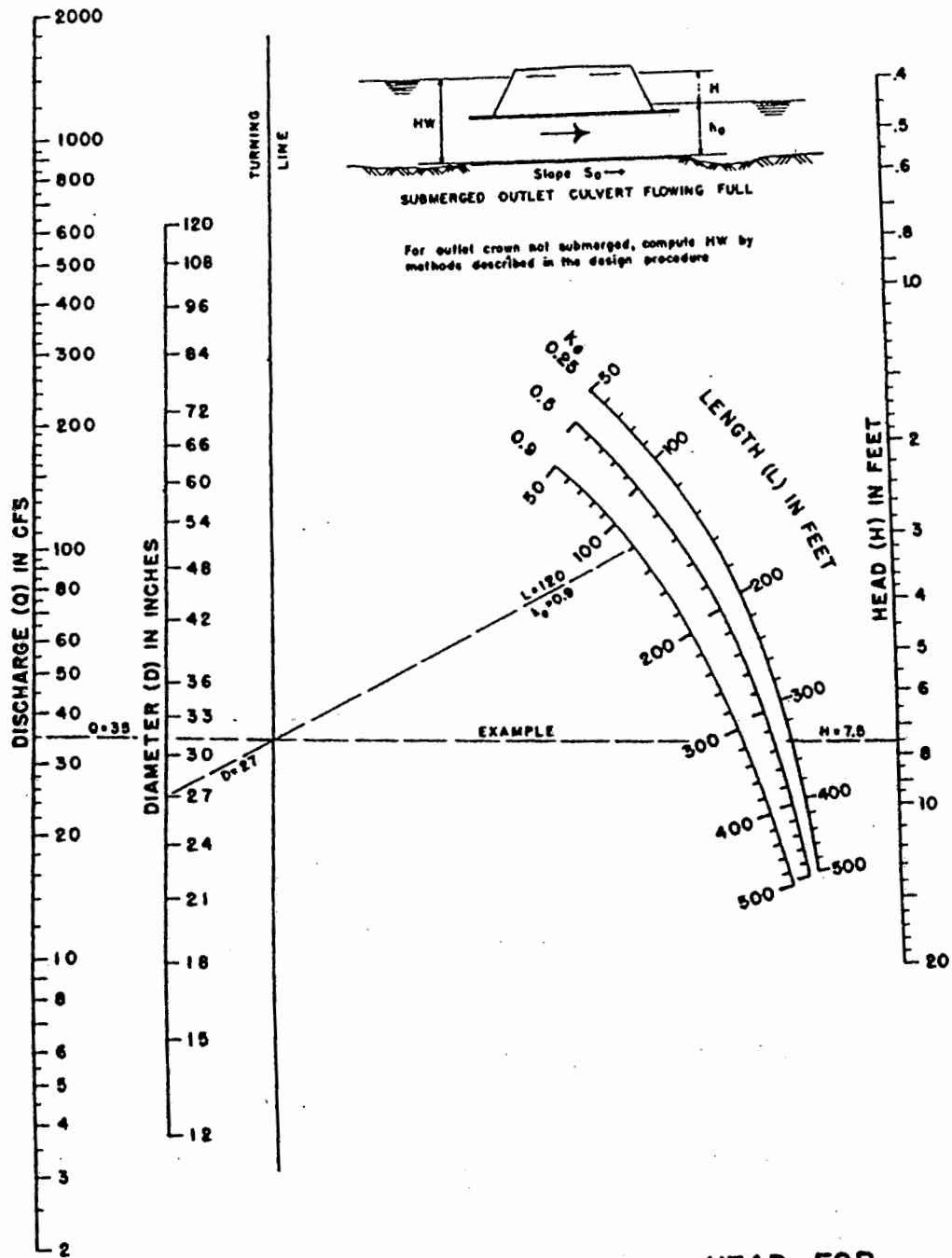
# CHART 5



**HEAD FOR  
CONCRETE PIPE CULVERTS  
FLOWING FULL  
 $n = 0.012$**



# CHART 6

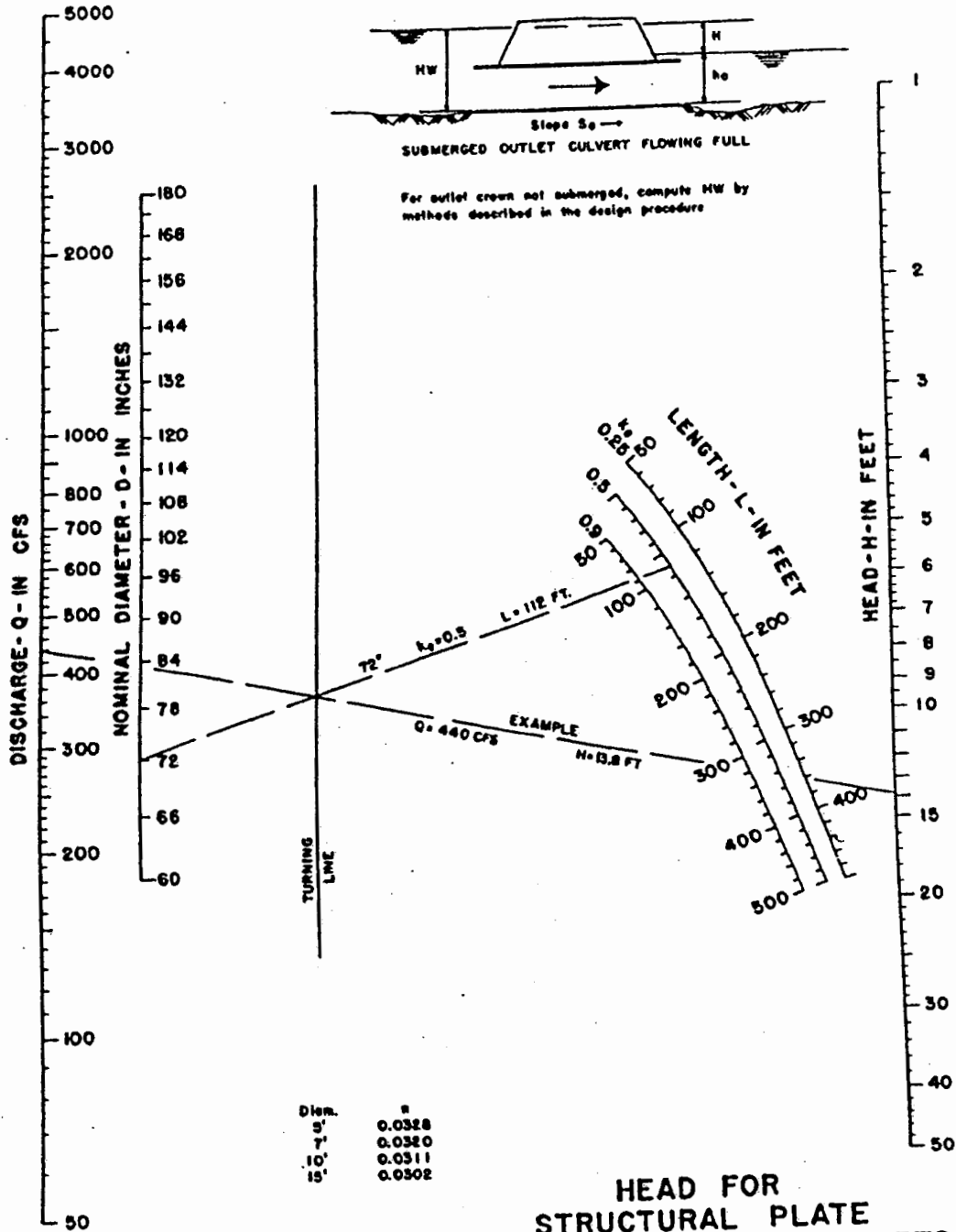


For outlet crown not submerged, compute HW by methods described in the design procedure

**HEAD FOR STANDARD C. M. PIPE CULVERTS FLOWING FULL**  
 $n = 0.024$



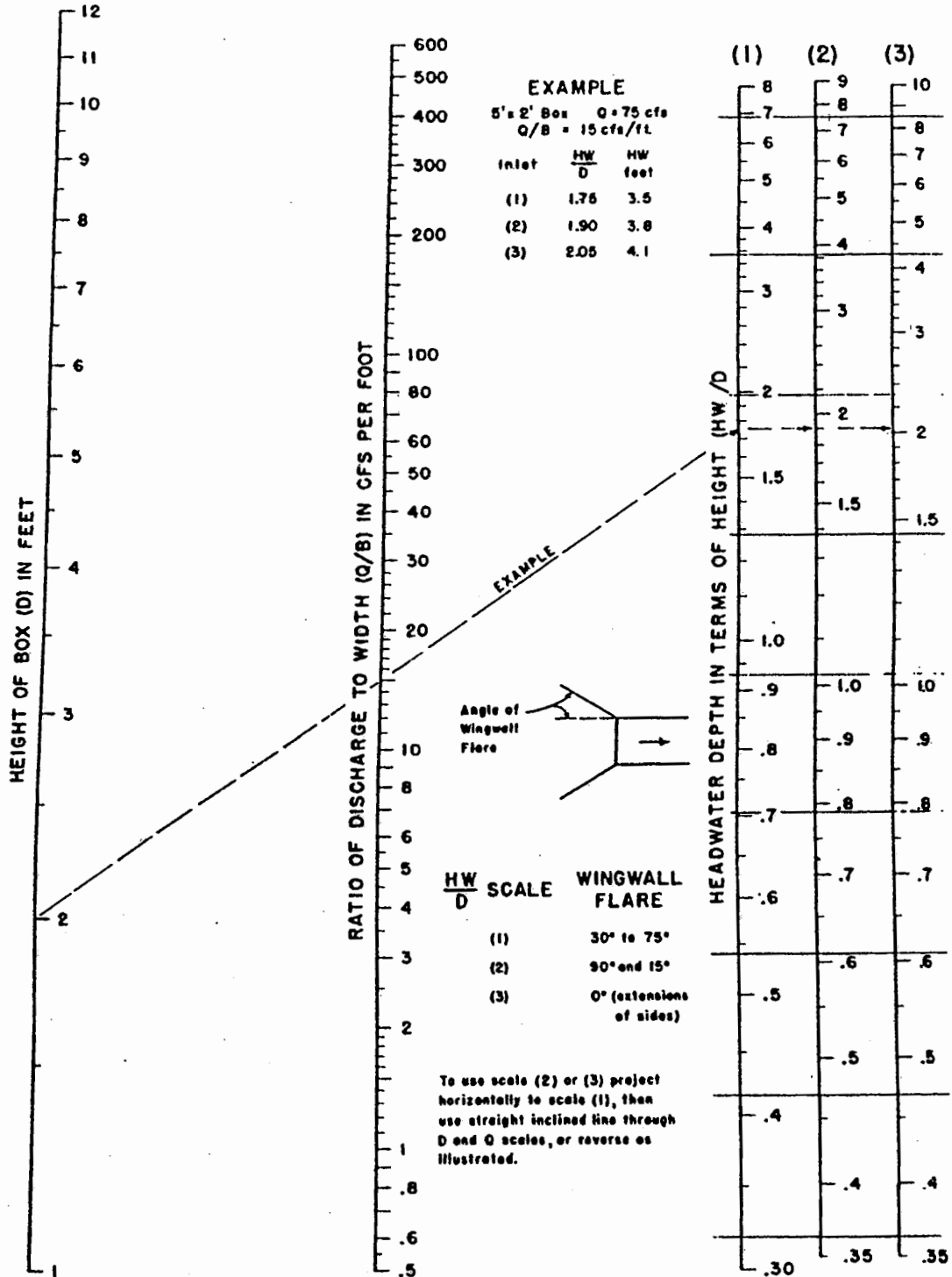
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**HEAD FOR  
STRUCTURAL PLATE  
CORR. METAL PIPE CULVERTS  
FLOWING FULL  
n = 0.0328 TO 0.0302**



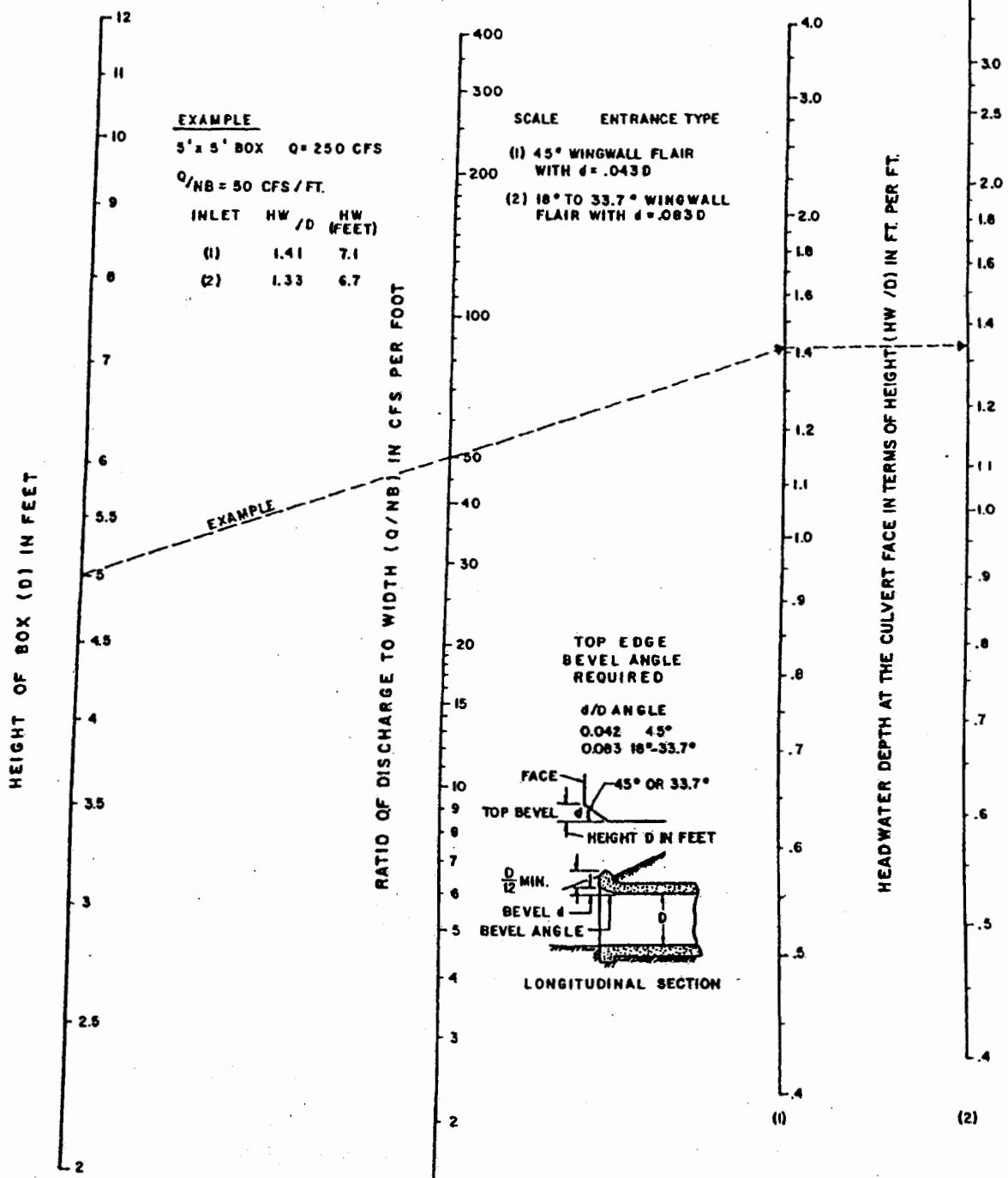
# CHART 8



## HEADWATER DEPTH FOR BOX CULVERTS WITH INLET CONTROL



# CHART 9



HEADWATER DEPTH FOR INLET CONTROL  
 RECTANGULAR BOX CULVERTS  
 FLARED WINGWALLS 18° TO 33.7° & 45°  
 WITH BEVELED EDGE AT TOP OF INLET





# CHART 10

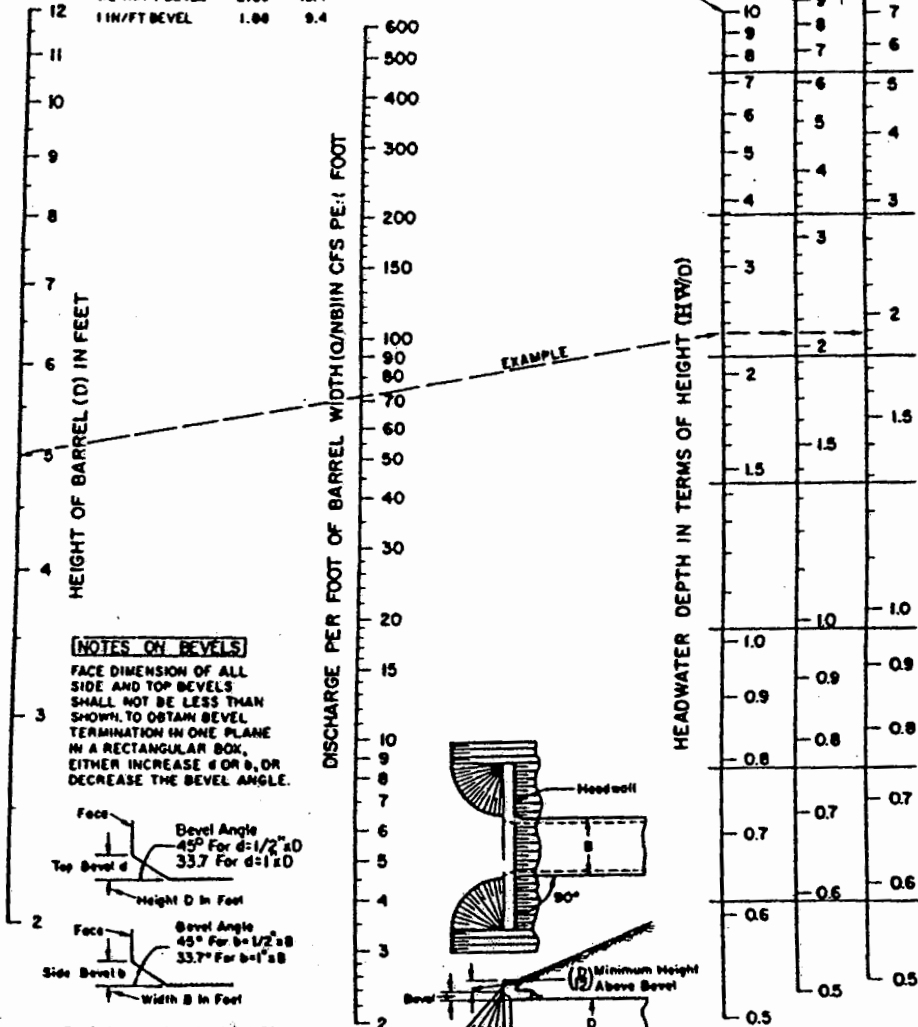
EXAMPLE

B=7 FT. D=5 FT. Q=500 CFS Q/NB=71.3

ALL EDGES	HW D	HW Feet
CHAMFER 3/4"	2.31	11.5
1/2 IN/FT BEVEL	2.08	10.4
1 IN/FT BEVEL	1.88	9.4

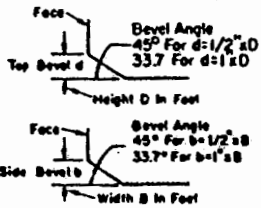
INLET FACE-ALL EDGES:

- 1 IN/FT BEVELS 33.7° (1:1.5)
- 1/2 IN/FT BEVELS 45° (1:1)
- 3/4 INCH CHAMFERS



### NOTES ON BEVELS

FACE DIMENSION OF ALL SIDE AND TOP BEVELS SHALL NOT BE LESS THAN SHOWN TO OBTAIN BEVEL TERMINATION IN ONE PLANE IN A RECTANGULAR BOX, EITHER INCREASE  $d$  OR  $b$ , OR DECREASE THE BEVEL ANGLE.



FACE DIMENSIONS  $b$  AND  $d$  OF BEVELS ARE EACH RELATED TO THE OPENING DIMENSION AT RIGHT ANGLES TO THE EDGE

## HEADWATER DEPTH FOR INLET CONTROL RECTANGULAR BOX CULVERTS 90° HEADWALL CHAMFERED OR BEVELED INLET EDGES

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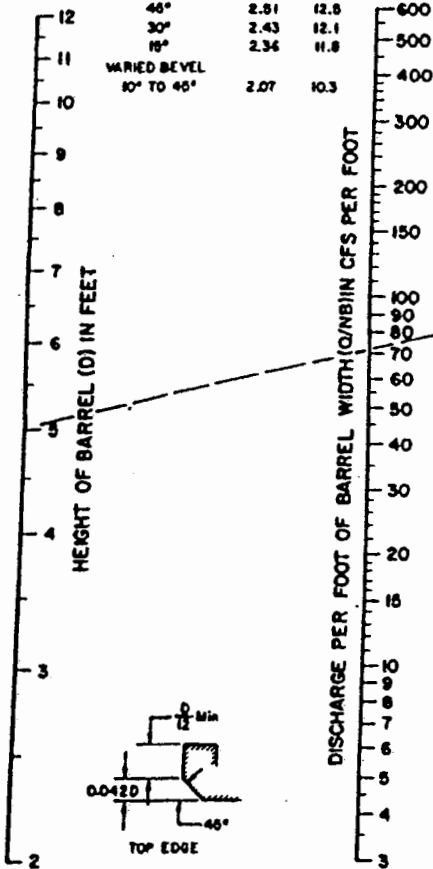


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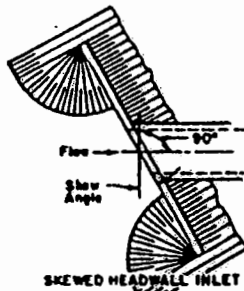
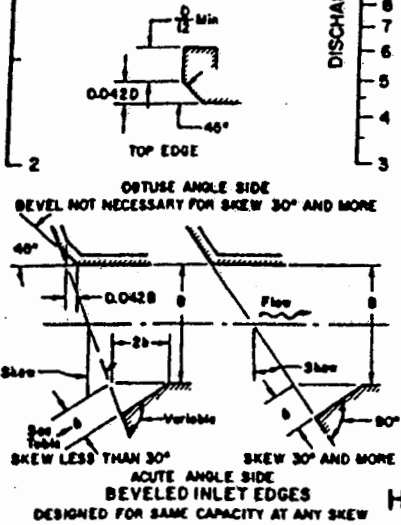
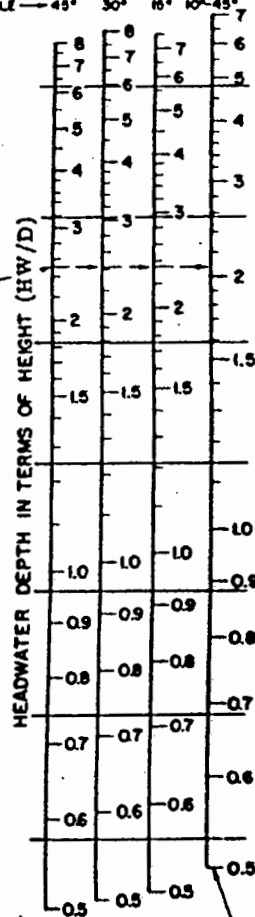
## EXAMPLE

B=7FT D=5FT Q=800CFS

EDGE & SKEW	HW D	HW 1 foot
45° 3/4" CHAMFER	2.91	12.8
30°	2.43	12.1
15°	2.34	11.8
VARIED BEVEL 10° TO 45°	2.07	10.3



BEVELED EDGES-TOP AND SIDES  
3/4 INCH CHAMFER ALL EDGES  
SKEW ANGLE — 45° 30° 15° 10°-45°



BEVELED EDGES AS DETAILED

SKEW ANGLE	SIDE BEVEL b
10°	3/4" x B (N)
15°	1" x B
22-1/2°	1-1/4" x B
30°	1-1/2" x B
37-1/2°	2" x B
45°	2-1/2" x B

### HEADWATER DEPTH FOR INLET CONTROL SINGLE BARREL BOX CULVERTS SKEWED HEADWALLS CHAMFERED OR BEVELED INLET EDGES

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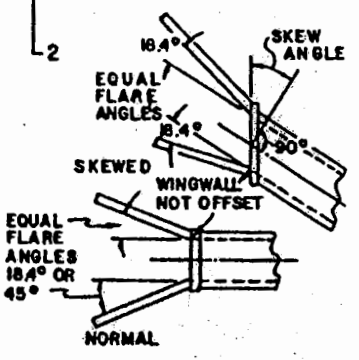
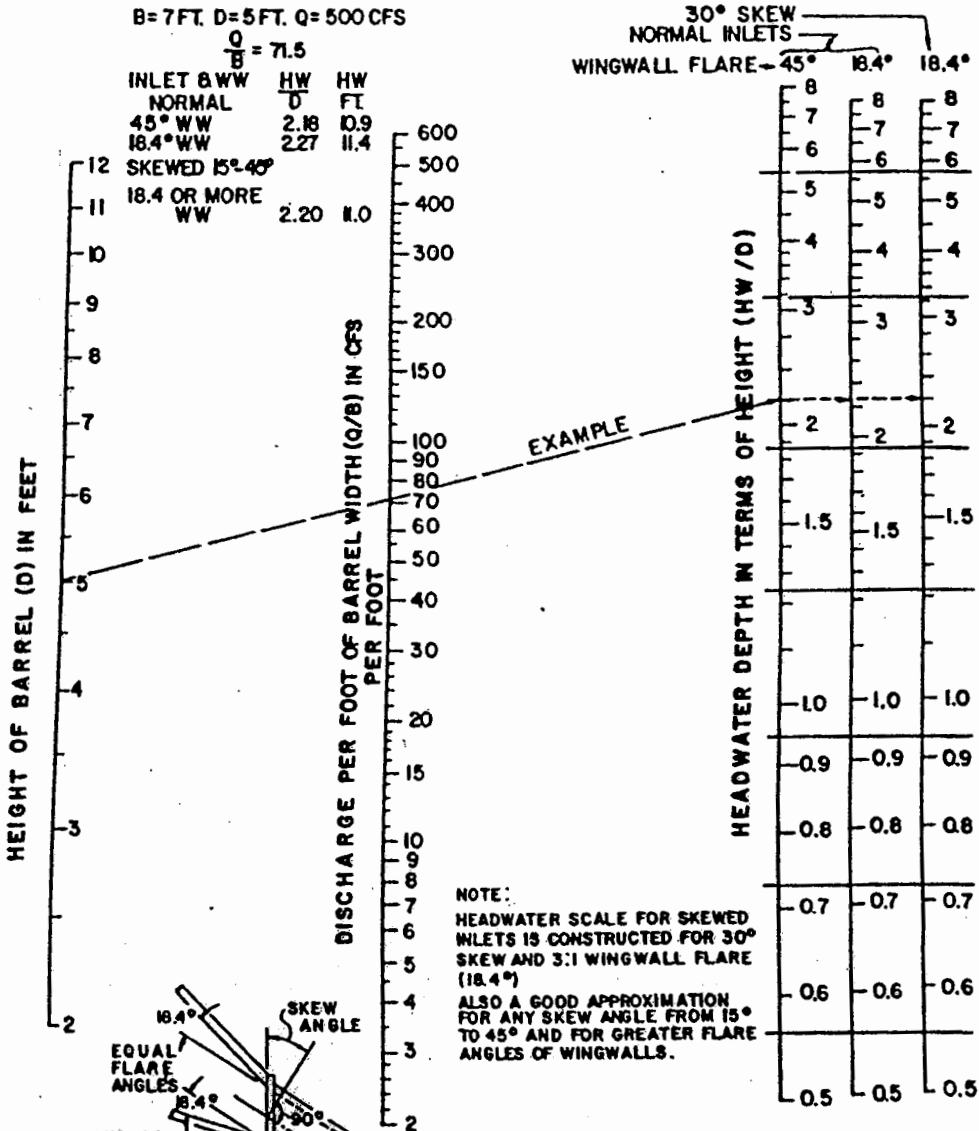
# CHART 12

## EXAMPLE

B=7FT. D=5FT. Q=500 CFS

$$\frac{Q}{B} = 71.5$$

INLET & WW	HW D	HW FT
NORMAL		
45° WW	2.18	10.9
18.4° WW	2.27	11.4
SKEWED 15°-45°		
18.4 OR MORE WW	2.20	11.0



NOTE:  
 HEADWATER SCALE FOR SKEWED  
 INLETS IS CONSTRUCTED FOR 30°  
 SKEW AND 3:1 WINGWALL FLARE  
 (18.4°)  
 ALSO A GOOD APPROXIMATION  
 FOR ANY SKEW ANGLE FROM 15°  
 TO 45° AND FOR GREATER FLARE  
 ANGLES OF WINGWALLS.

WINGWALL INLETS  
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HEADWATER DEPTH FOR INLET CONTROL  
 RECTANGULAR BOX CULVERTS  
 FLARED WINGWALLS  
 NORMAL AND SKEWED INLETS  
 3/4" CHAMFER AT TOP OF OPENING



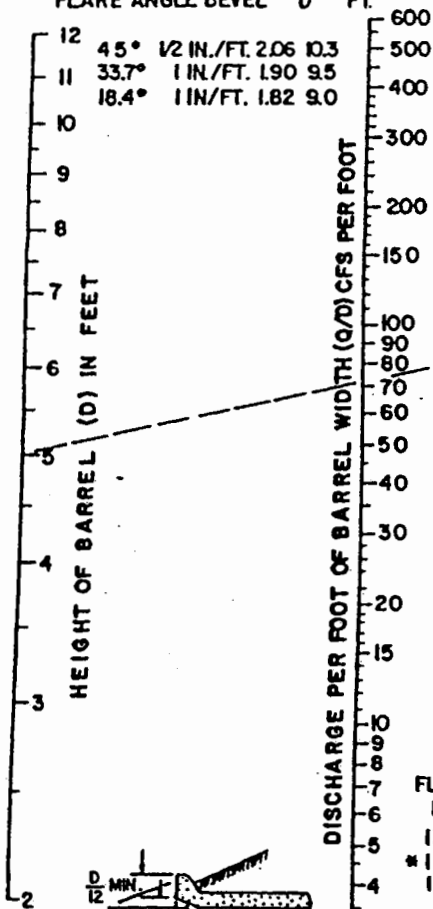
# CHART 13

## EXAMPLE

B = 7 FT. D = 5 FT. Q = 600 C.F.S.

$$\frac{Q}{B} = 71.5$$

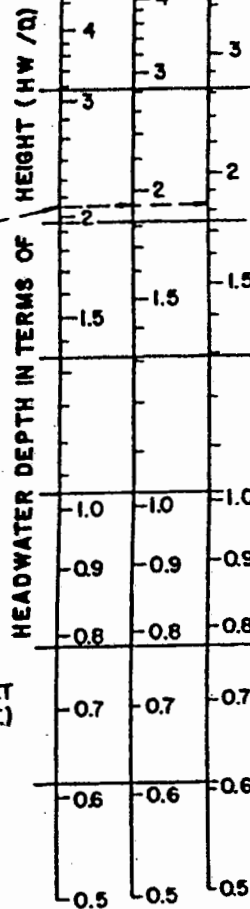
WINGWALL TOP EDGE HW  
FLARE ANGLE BEVEL D FT.



18.4° WW & d = 0.083D  
33.7° WW & d = 0.083D  
45° WW & d = 0.042D

TOP EDGE  
BEVEL ANGLE  
REQUIRED

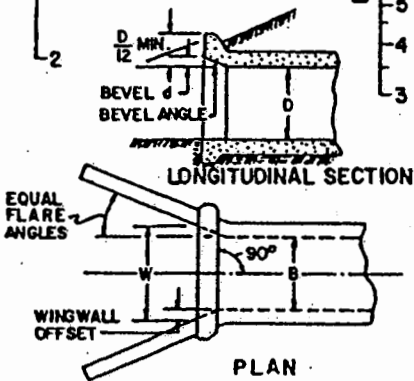
d	ANGLE
0.042	45°
0.083	33.7°



WINGWALLS

FLARE ANGLE	MIN. OFFSET
1:1 45°	3/4" x B (FT.)
1:1.5 33.7°	1" x B
* 1:2 26.6°	1-1/4" x B
1:3 18.4°	1-1/2" x B

\* USE 33.7° x 0.0083D TOP  
EDGE BEVEL AND READ  
HW ON SCALE FOR 18.4°  
WW

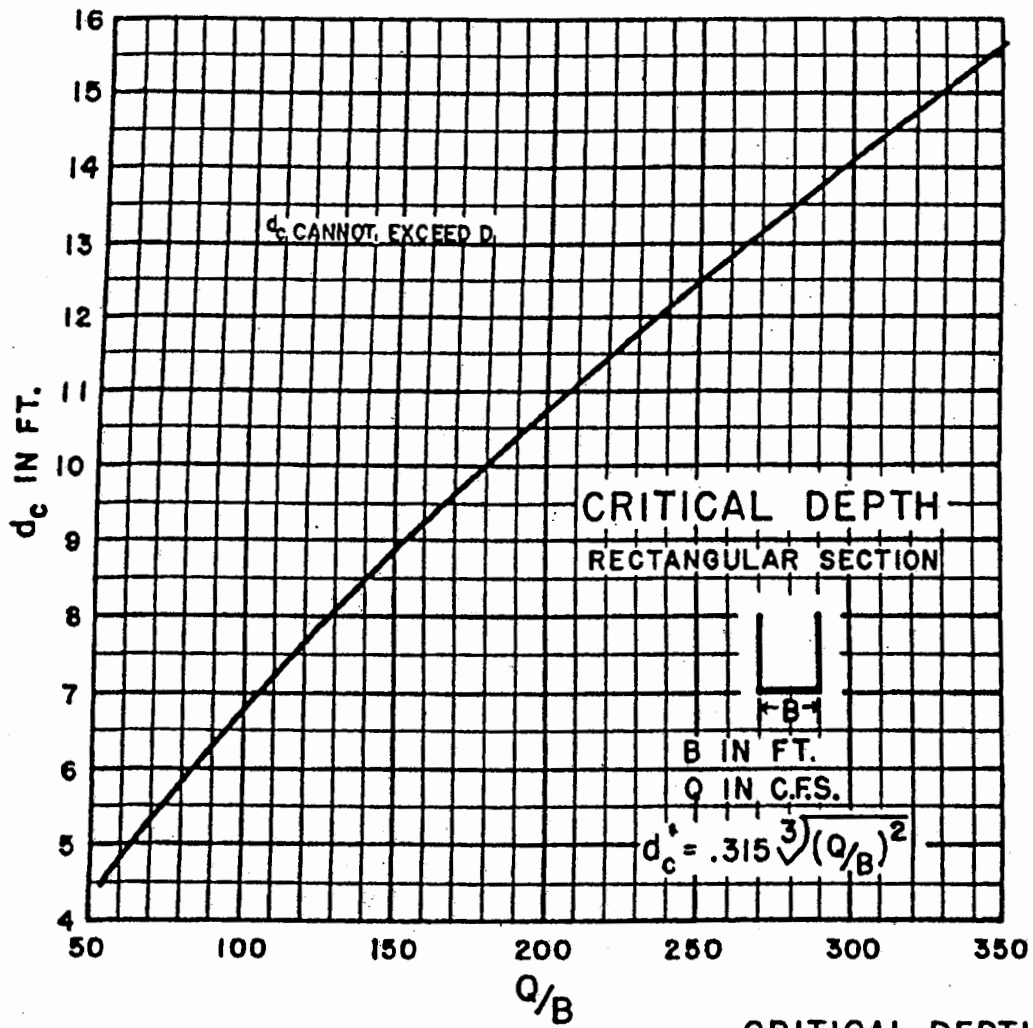
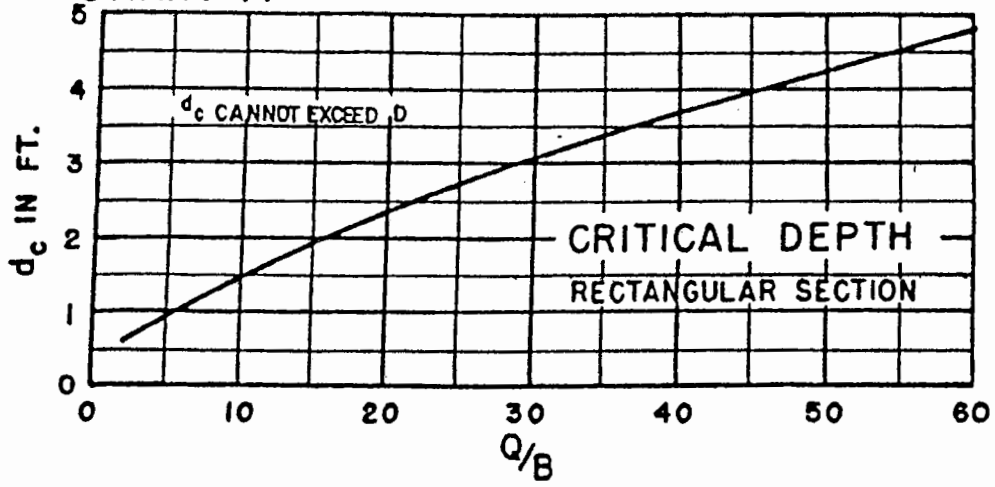


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HEADWATER DEPTH FOR INLET CONTROL  
RECTANGULAR BOX CULVERTS  
OFFSET FLARED WINGWALLS  
AND BEVELED EDGE AT TOP OF INLET



CHART 14



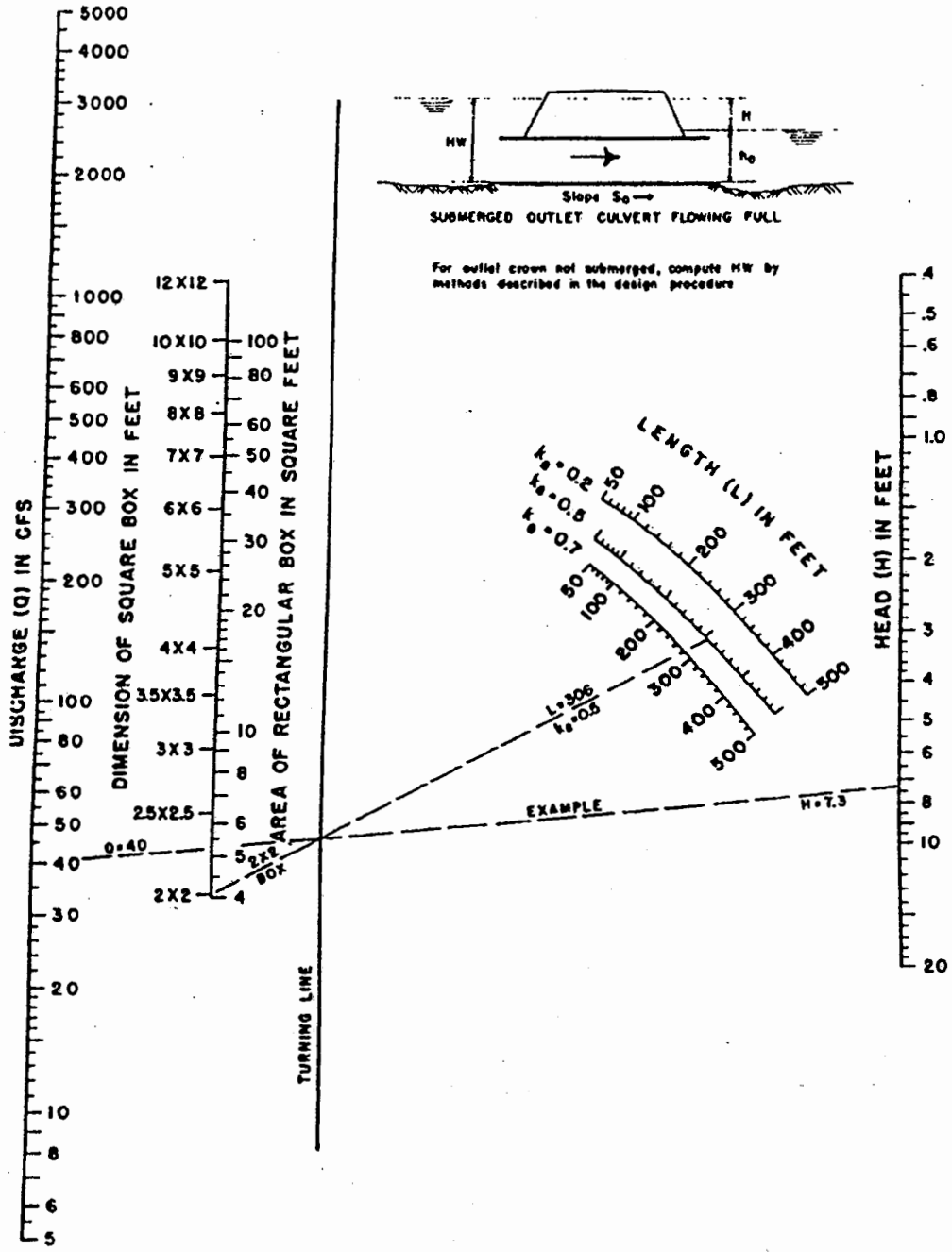
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CRITICAL DEPTH  
RECTANGULAR SECTION



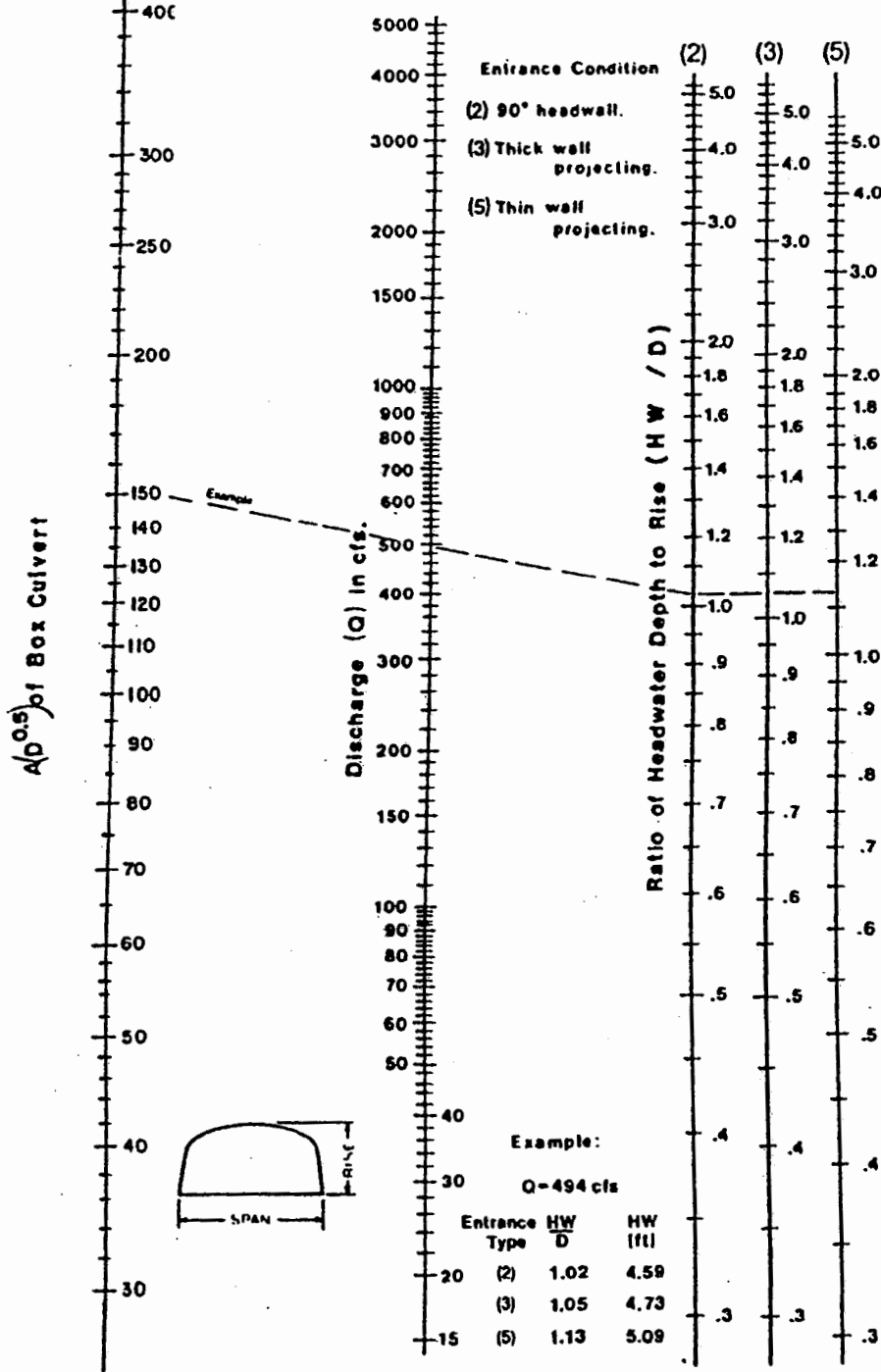
# CHART 15



HEAD FOR  
CONCRETE BOX CULVERTS  
FLOWING FULL  
 $n = 0.012$



# CHART 16

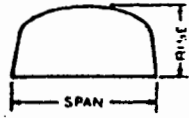
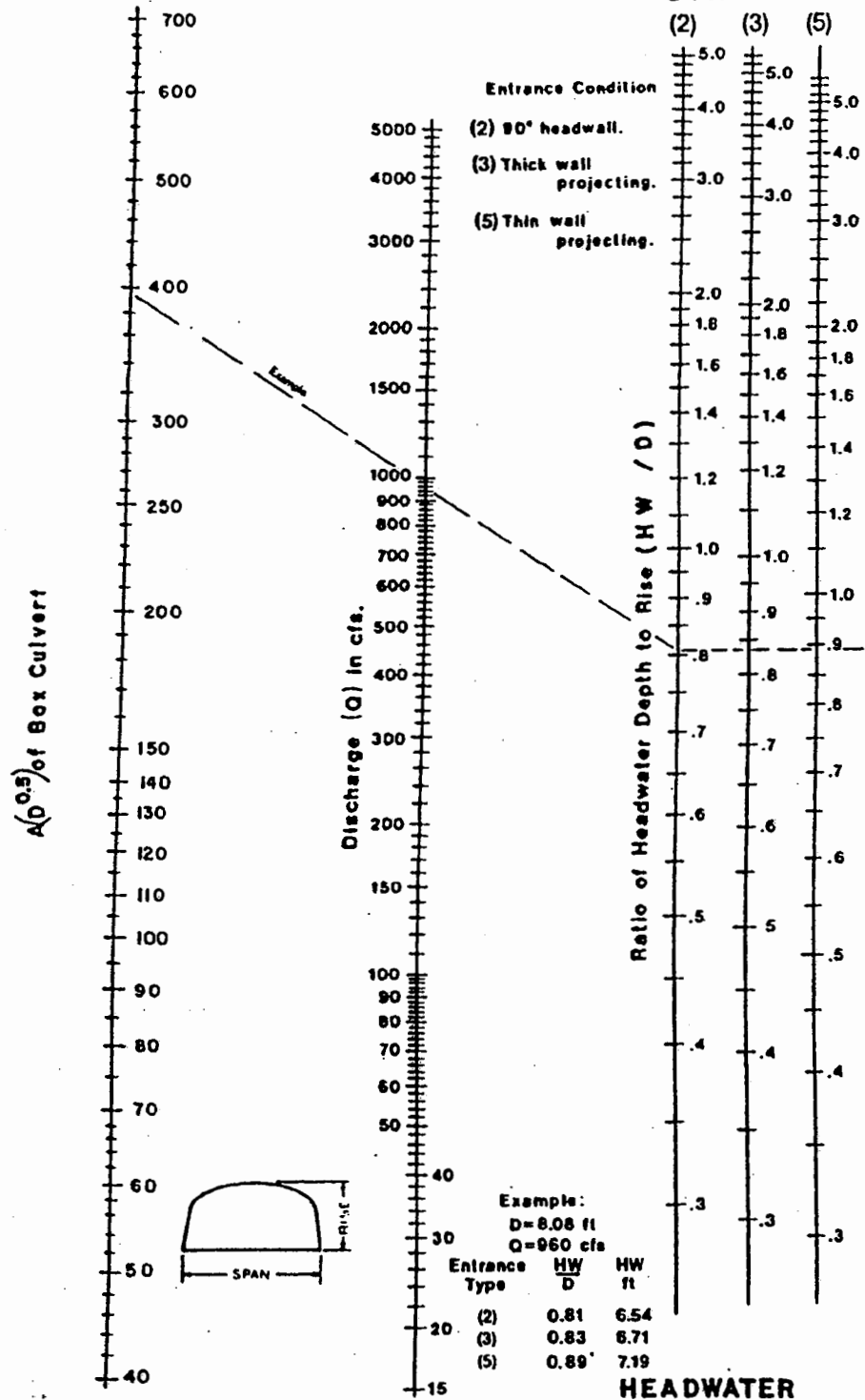


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**HEADWATER DEPTH  
FOR C.M. BOX CULVERTS  
RISE / SPAN < 0.3  
WITH INLET CONTROL**



# CHART 17



Example:  
 D = 8.08 ft  
 Q = 960 cfs

Entrance Type	HW / D	HW ft
(2)	0.81	6.54
(3)	0.83	6.71
(5)	0.89	7.19

**HEADWATER DEPTH  
 FOR C.M. BOX CULVERTS  
 $0.3 \leq \text{RISE} / \text{SPAN} < 0.4$   
 WITH INLET CONTROL**

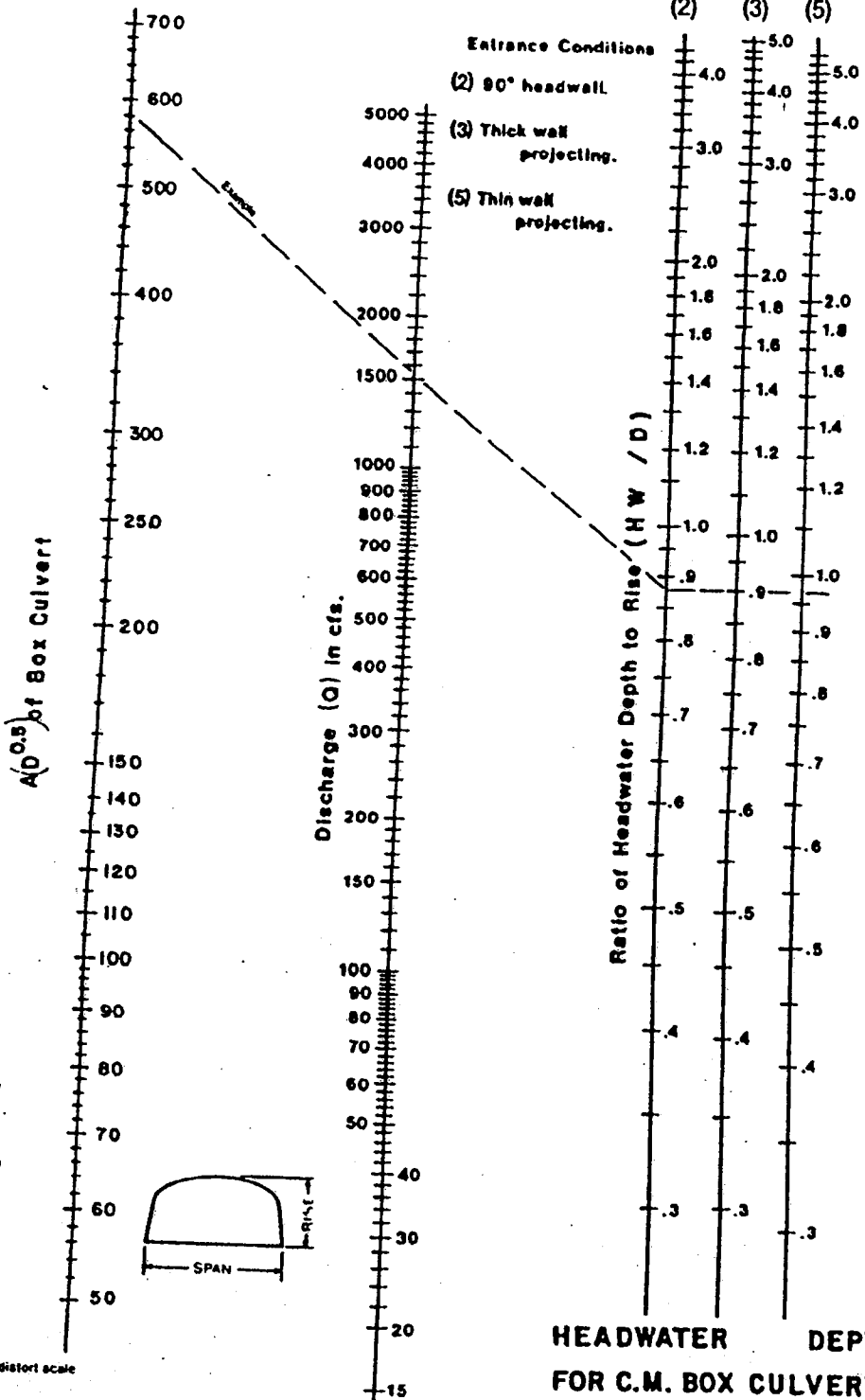
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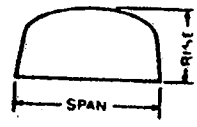


# CHART 18



**Example:**  
 D = 9.67 ft  
 Q = 1520 cfs

Entrance Type	HW / D	HW ft.
(2)	0.88	8.51
(3)	0.90	8.70
(5)	0.97	9.38



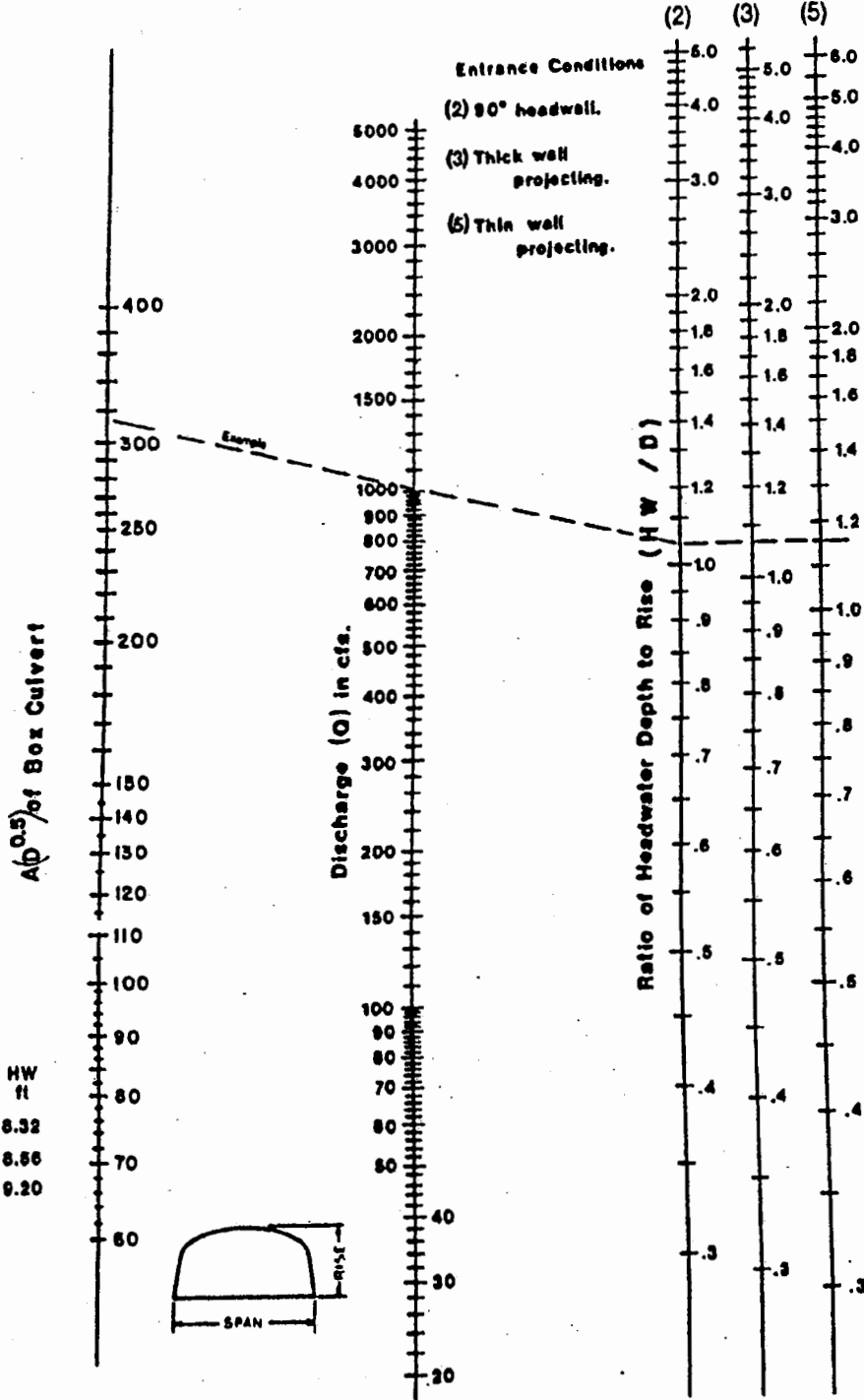
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**HEADWATER DEPTH FOR C.M. BOX CULVERTS**  
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**WITH INLET CONTROL**

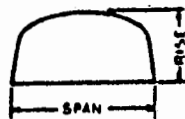


# CHART 19



Example:  
D=8.0 ft  
Q=1004 cfs

Entrance Type	H/W D	HW ft
(2)	1.04	8.32
(3)	1.07	8.56
(5)	1.15	9.20

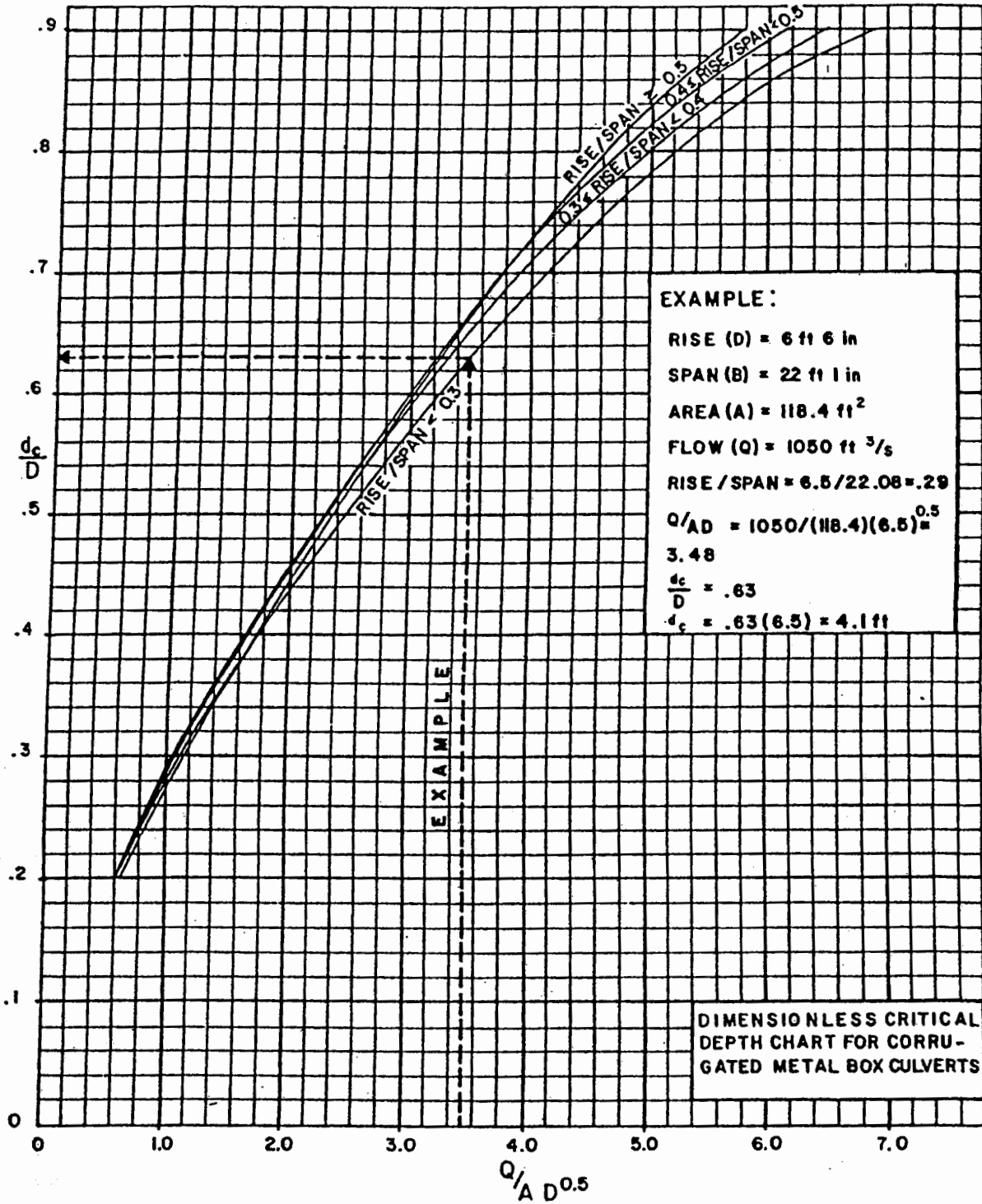


HEADWATER DEPTH  
FOR C.M. BOX CULVERTS  
0.5 ≤ RISE / SPAN  
WITH INLET CONTROL

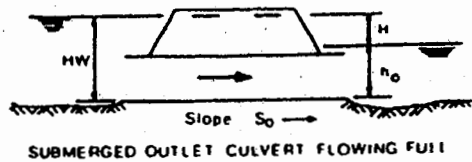
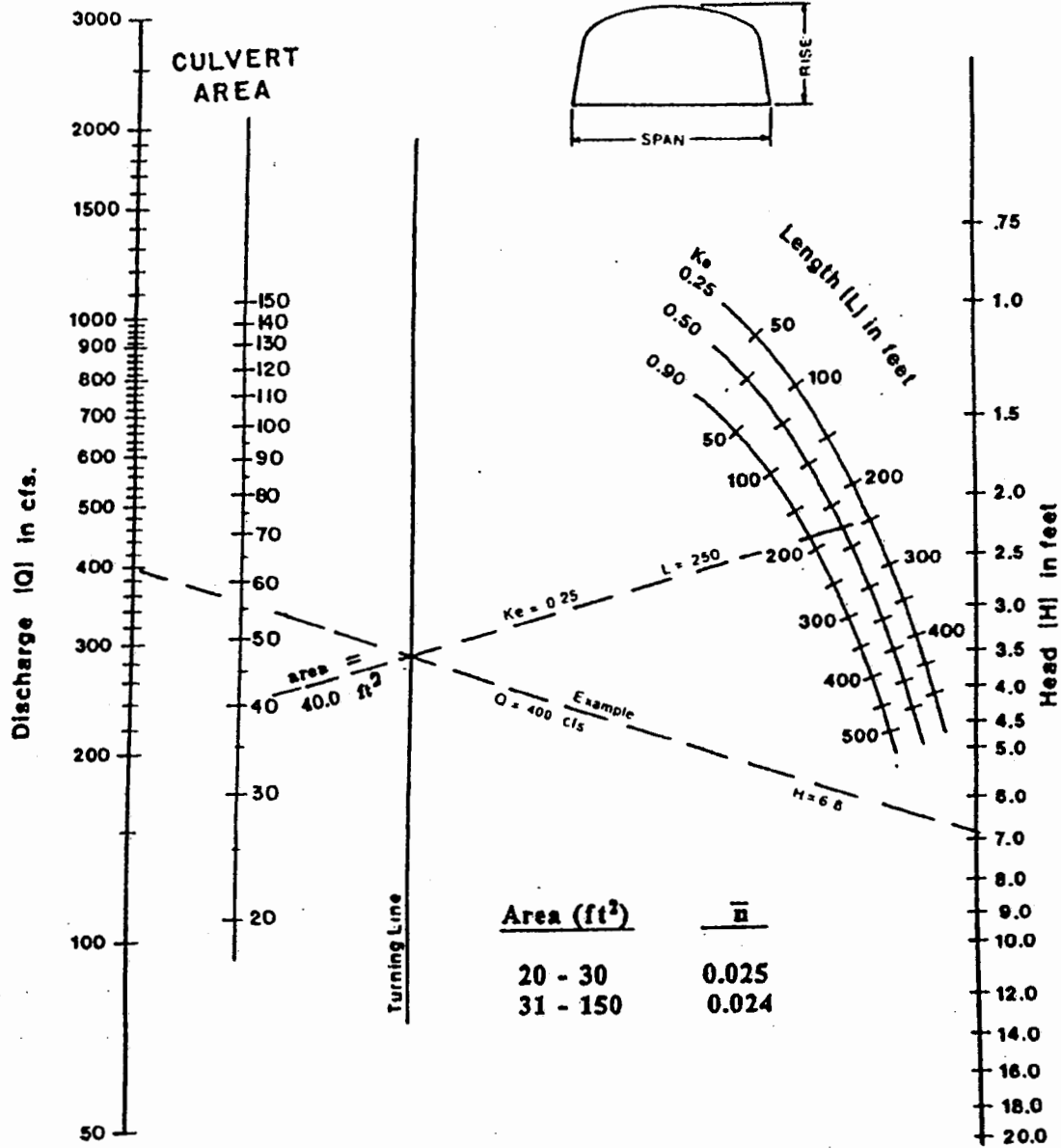
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CHART 20



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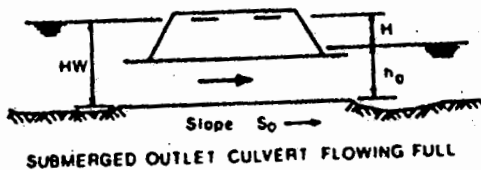
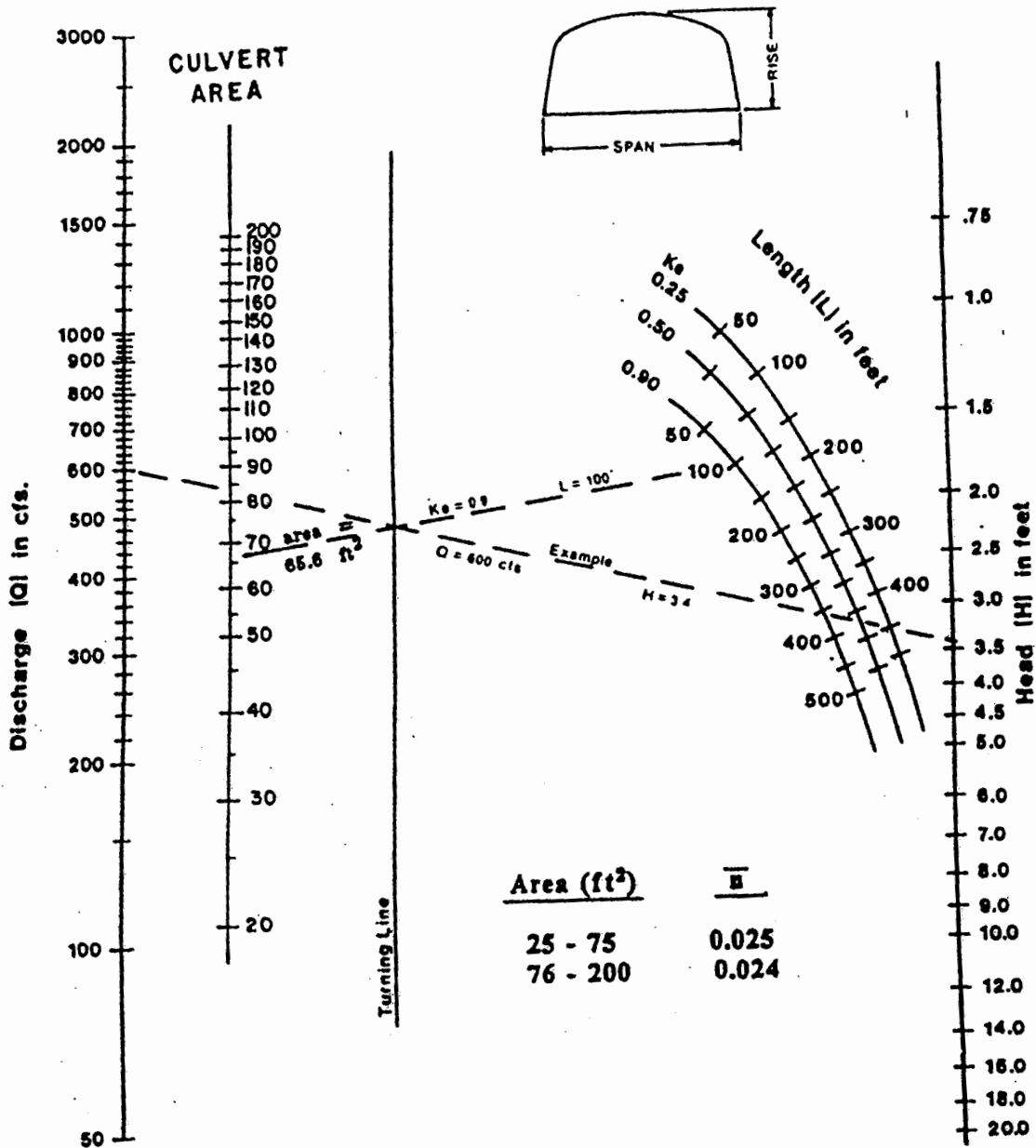
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C. M. BOX CULVERTS  
FLOWING FULL  
CONCRETE BOTTOM  
RISE / SPAN < 0.3**

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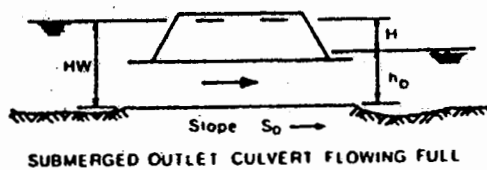
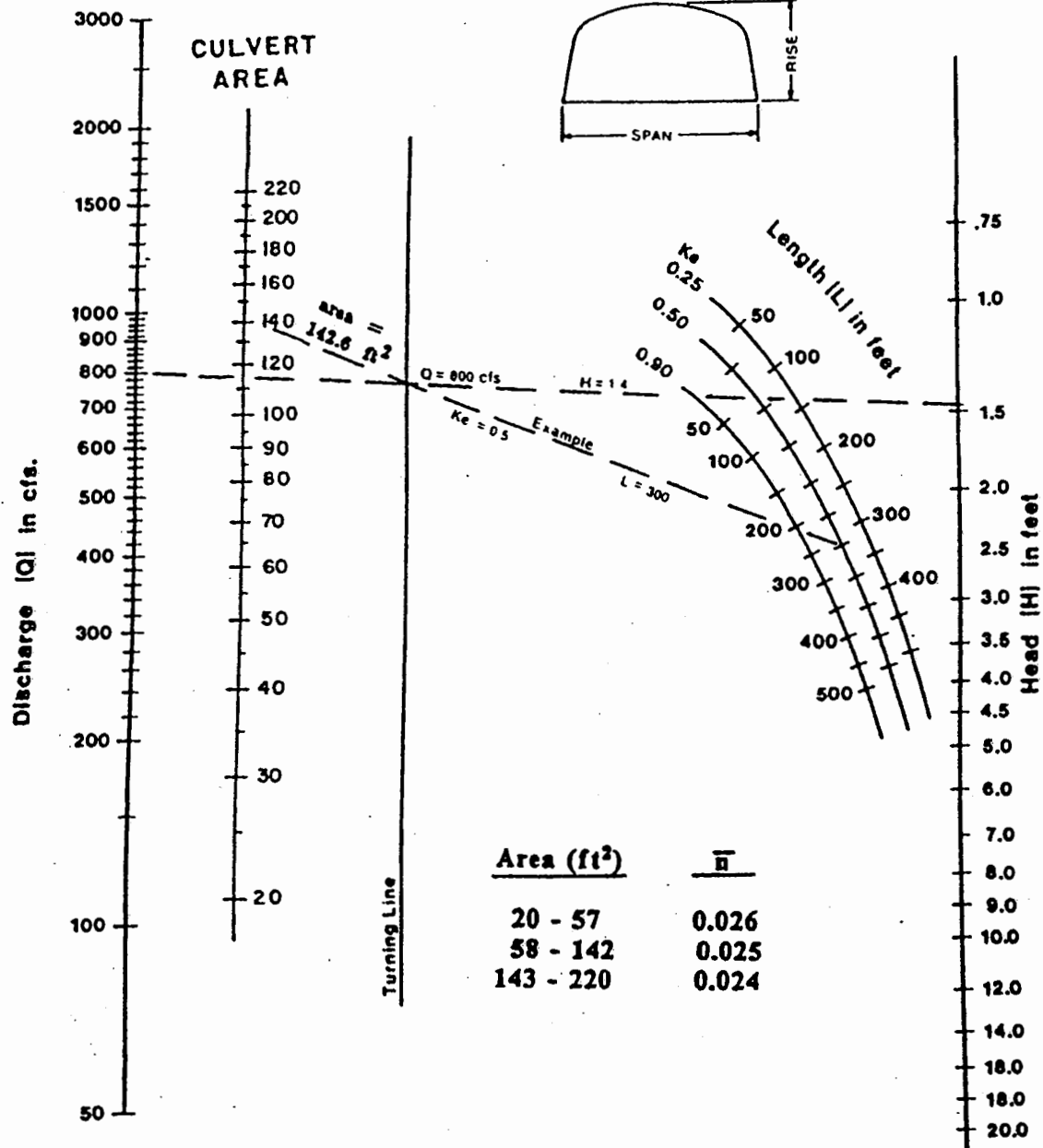


**HEAD FOR  
C. M. BOX CULVERTS  
FLOWING FULL  
CONCRETE BOTTOM  
 $0.3 \leq \text{RISE} / \text{SPAN} < 0.4$**

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# CHART 23



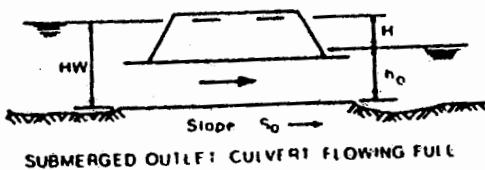
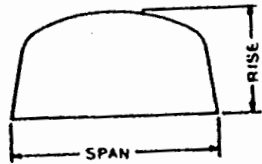
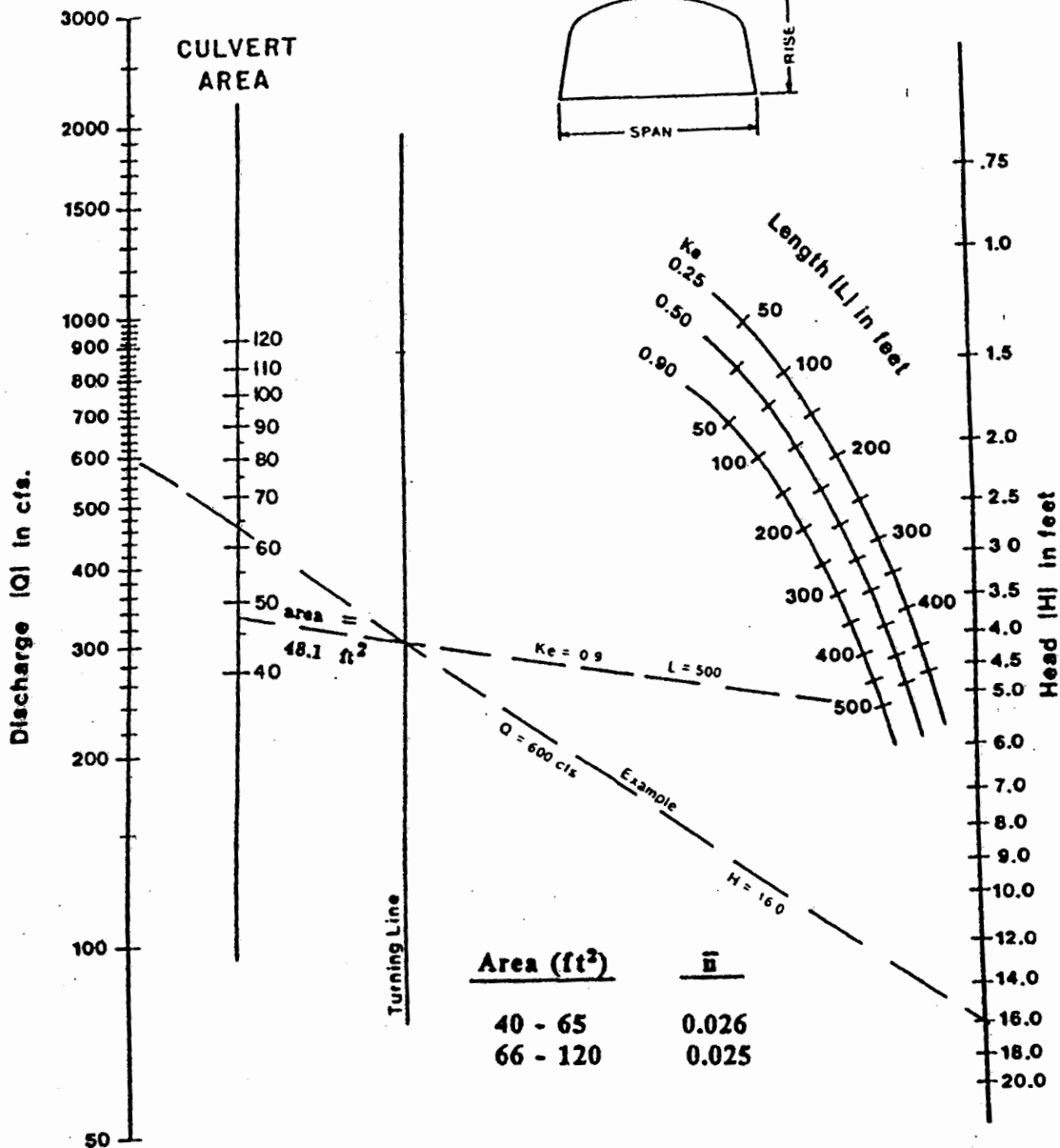
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FLOWING FULL  
CONCRETE BOTTOM  
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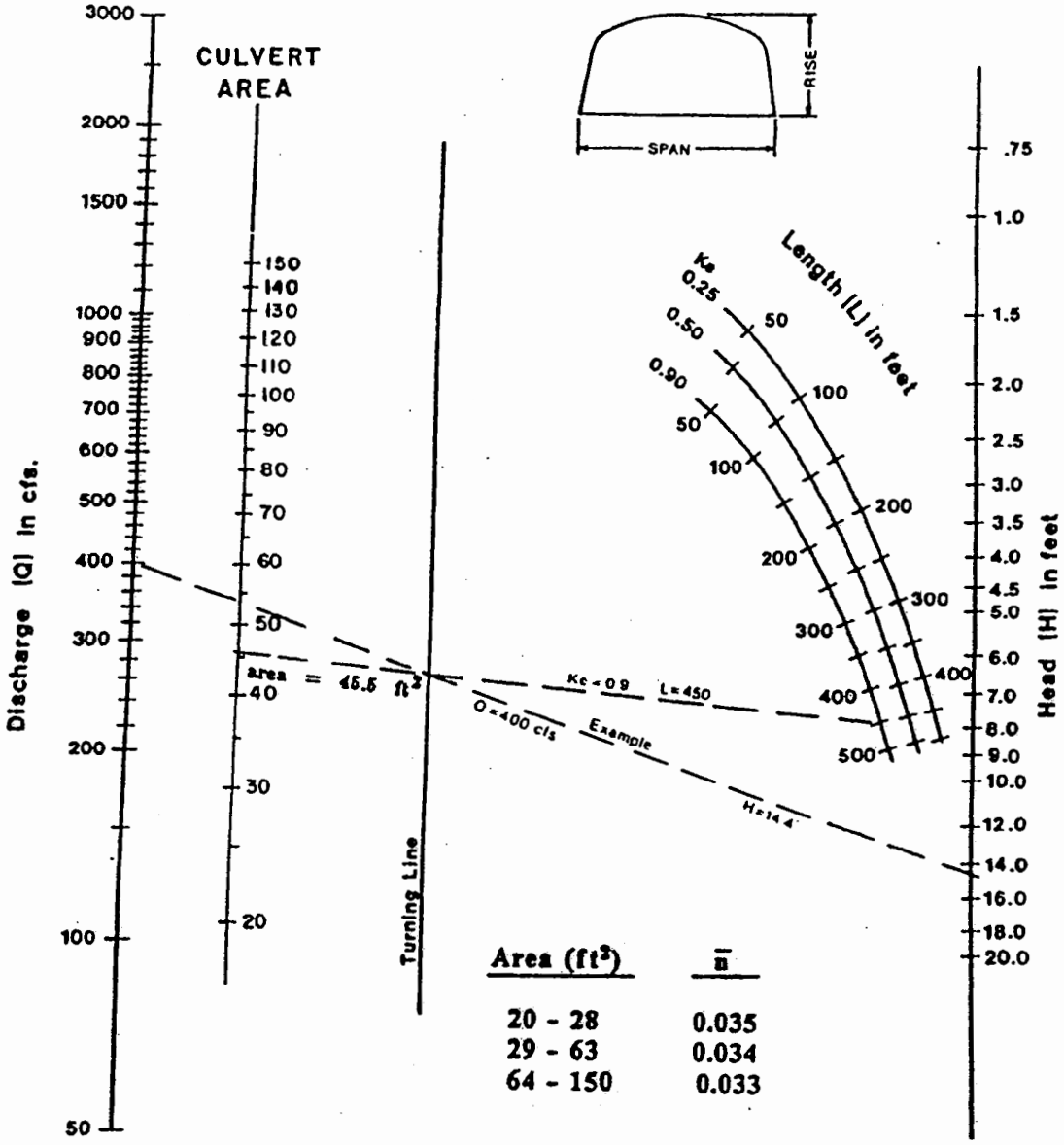


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0.5 ≤ RISE / SPAN**

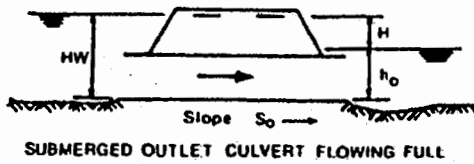
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# CHART 25



Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	$\bar{n}$
20 - 28	0.035
29 - 63	0.034
64 - 150	0.033



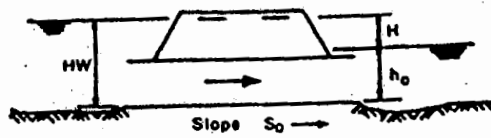
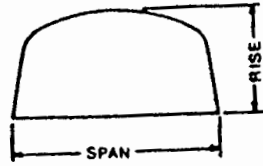
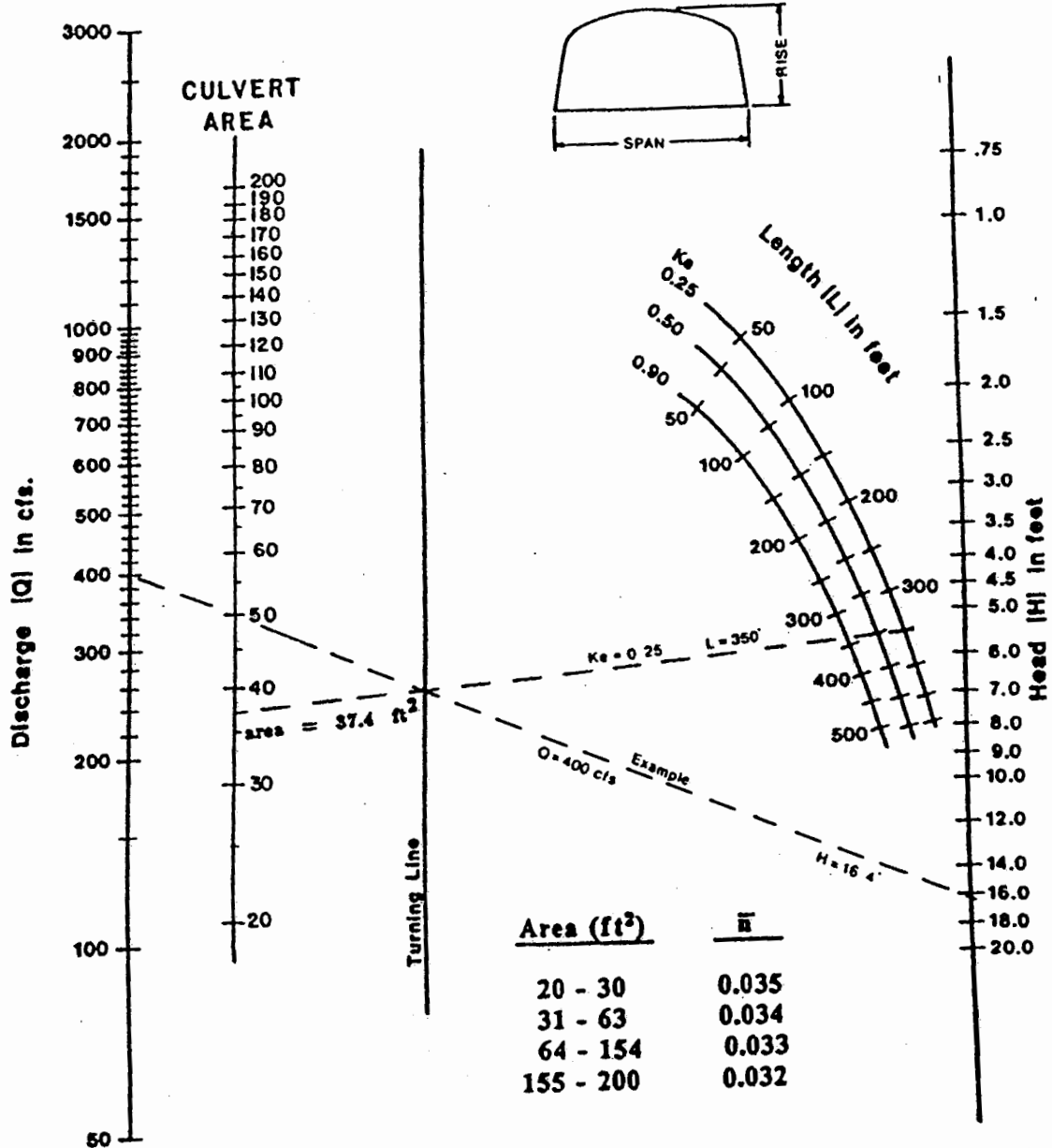
**HEAD FOR  
C. M. BOX CULVERTS  
FLOWING FULL  
CORRUGATED METAL BOTTOM  
RISE / SPAN < 0.3**

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# CHART 26

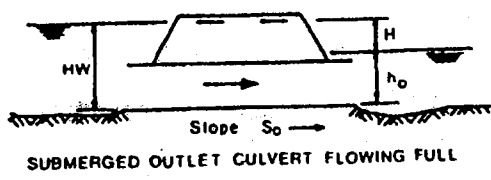
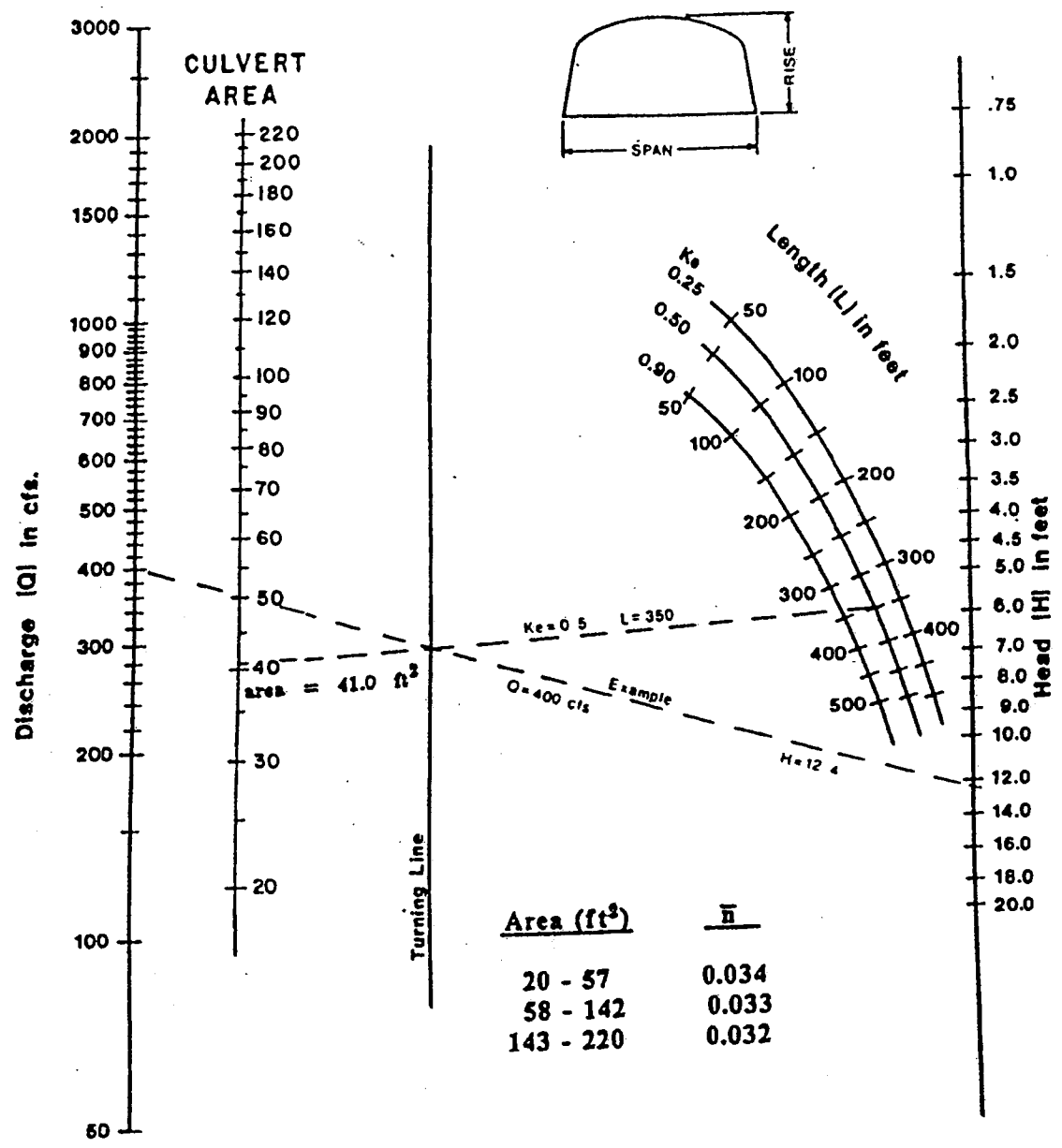


**HEAD FOR  
C. M. BOX CULVERTS  
FLOWING FULL  
CORRUGATED METAL BOTTOM  
0.3 ≤ RISE / SPAN < 0.4**

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# CHART 27



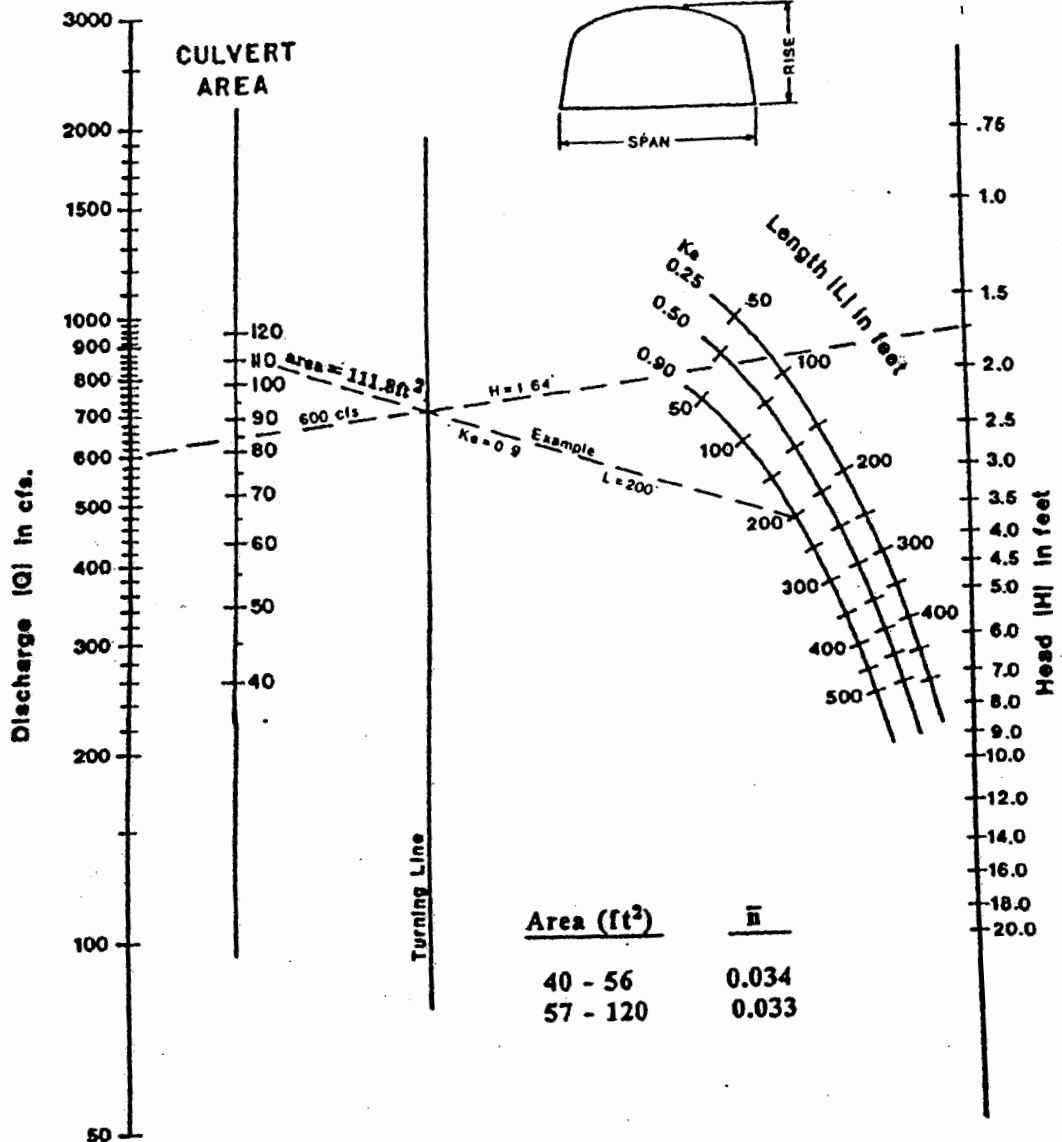
**HEAD FOR  
C. M. BOX CULVERTS  
FLOWING FULL  
CORRUGATED METAL BOTTOM  
 $0.4 \leq \text{RISE} / \text{SPAN} < 0.5$**

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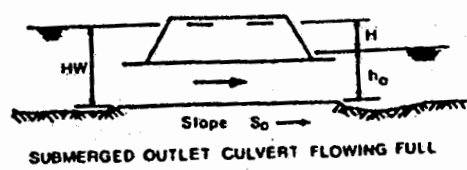
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# CHART 28



Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	H
40 - 56	0.034
57 - 120	0.033

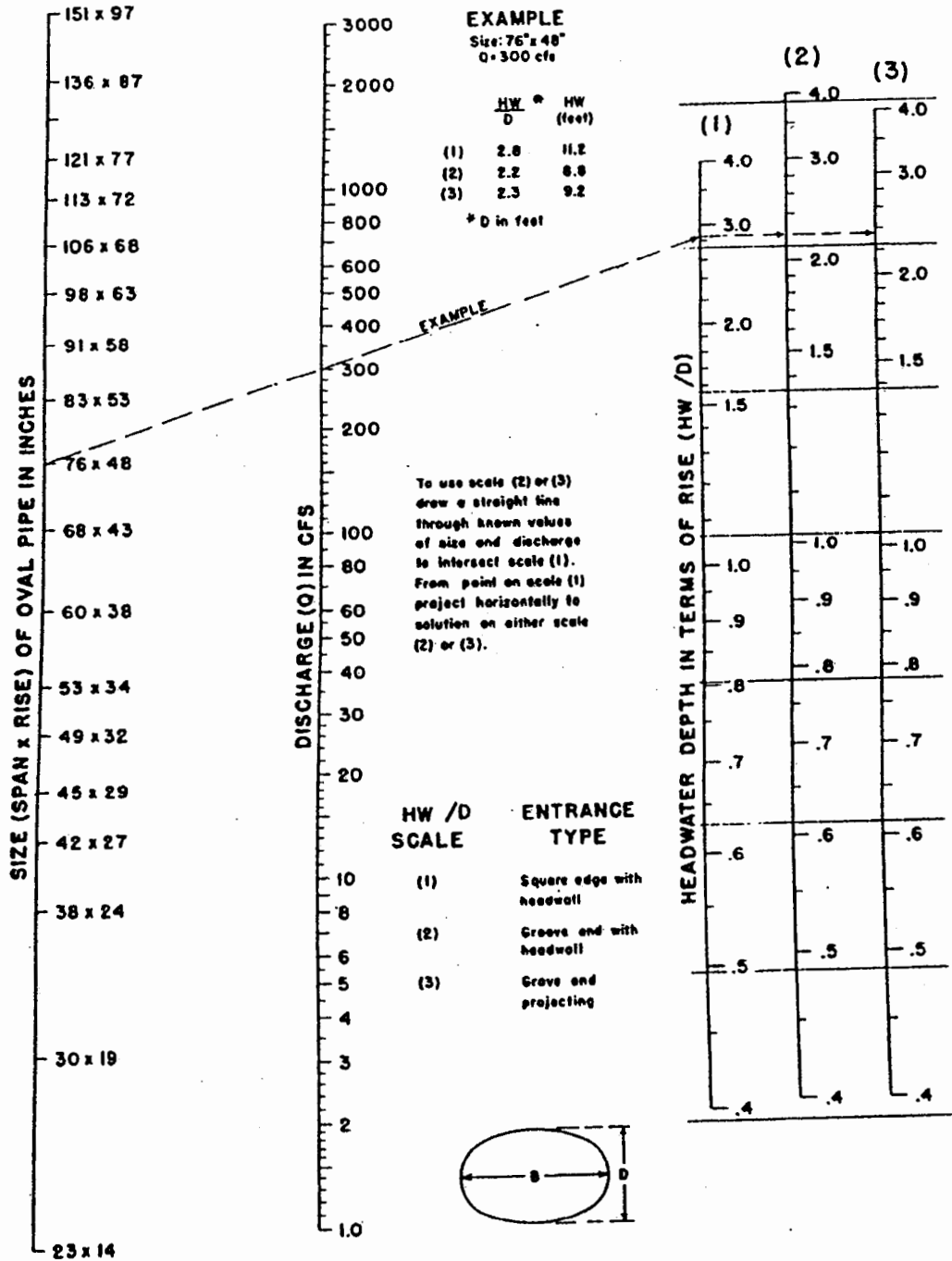


**HEAD FOR  
C. M. BOX CULVERTS  
FLOWING FULL  
CORRUGATED METAL BOTTOM  
0.5 ≤ RISE / SPAN**

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# CHART 29



**EXAMPLE**  
 Size: 76" x 48"  
 Q = 300 cfs

	HW / D	HW (feet)
(1)	2.8	11.2
(2)	2.2	8.8
(3)	2.3	9.2

\* D in feet

To use scale (2) or (3) draw a straight line through known values of size and discharge to intersect scale (1). From point on scale (1) project horizontally to solution on either scale (2) or (3).

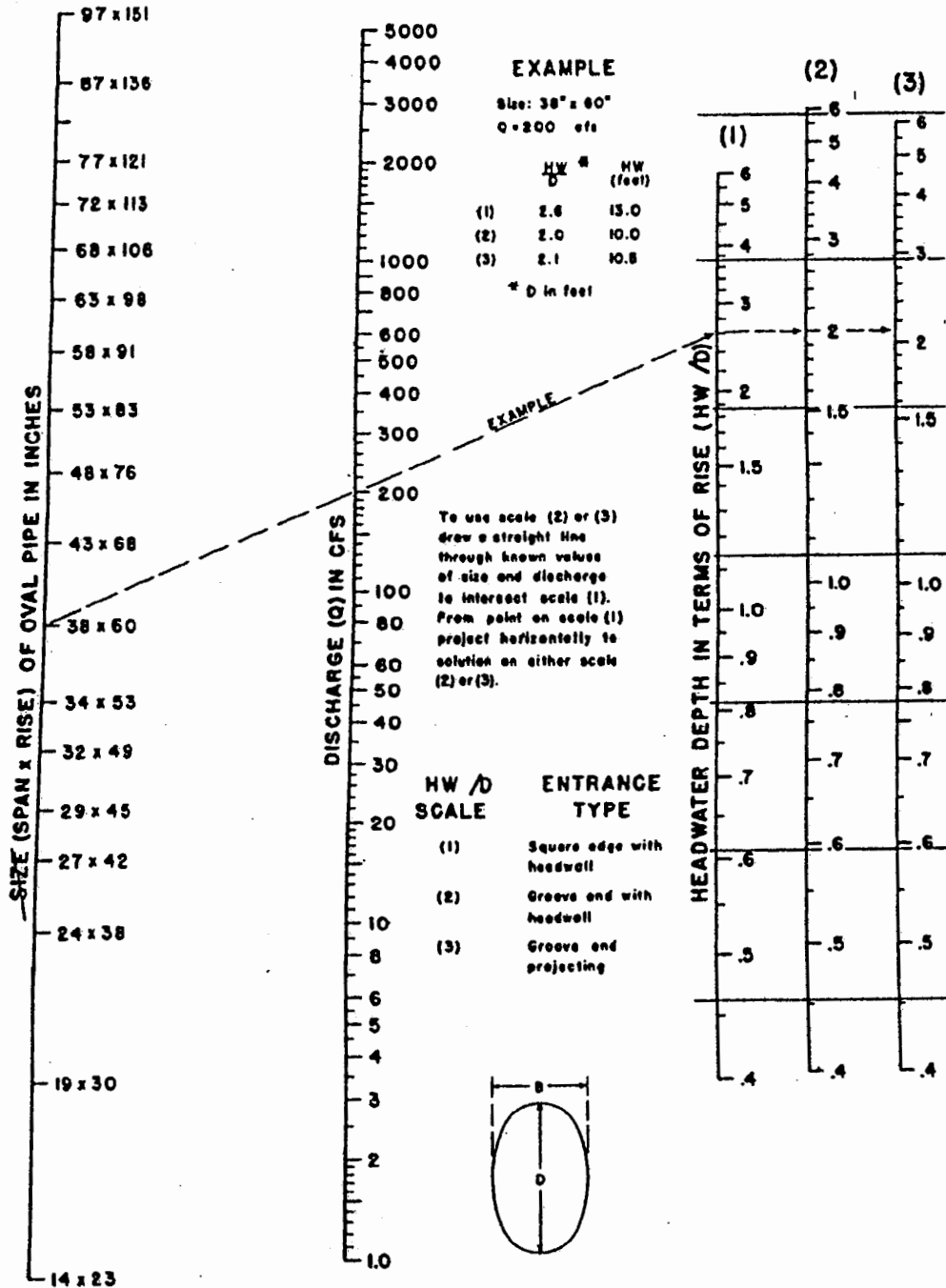
HW / D SCALE	ENTRANCE TYPE
(1)	Square edge with headwall
(2)	Groove end with headwall
(3)	Groove end projecting



## HEADWATER DEPTH FOR OVAL CONCRETE PIPE CULVERTS LONG AXIS HORIZONTAL WITH INLET CONTROL



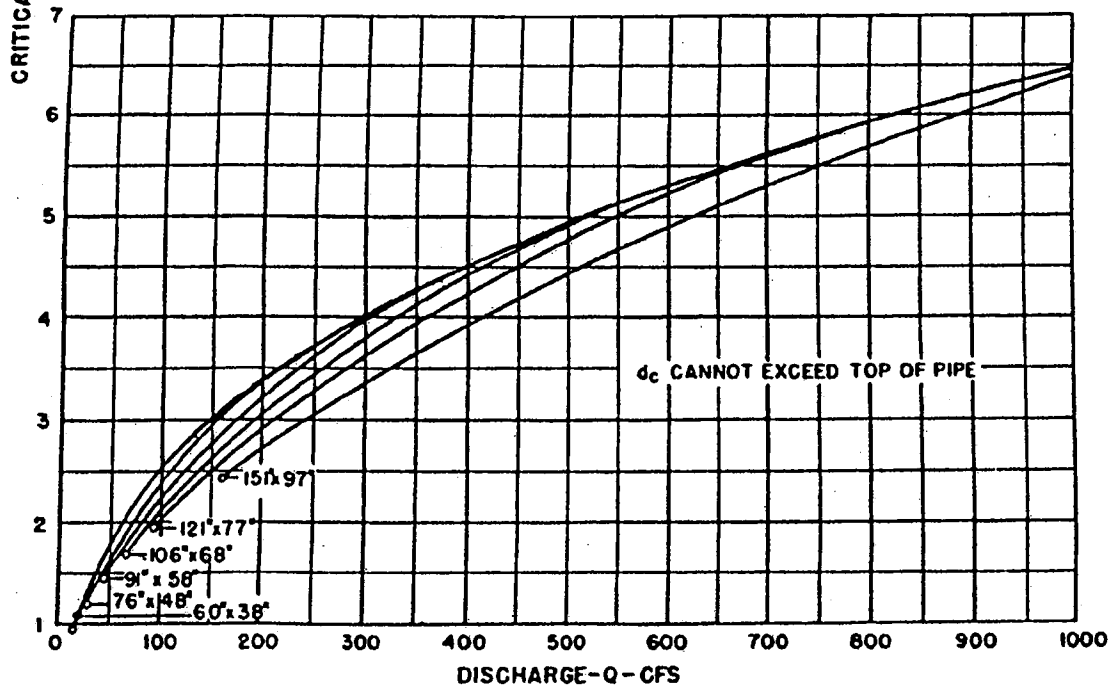
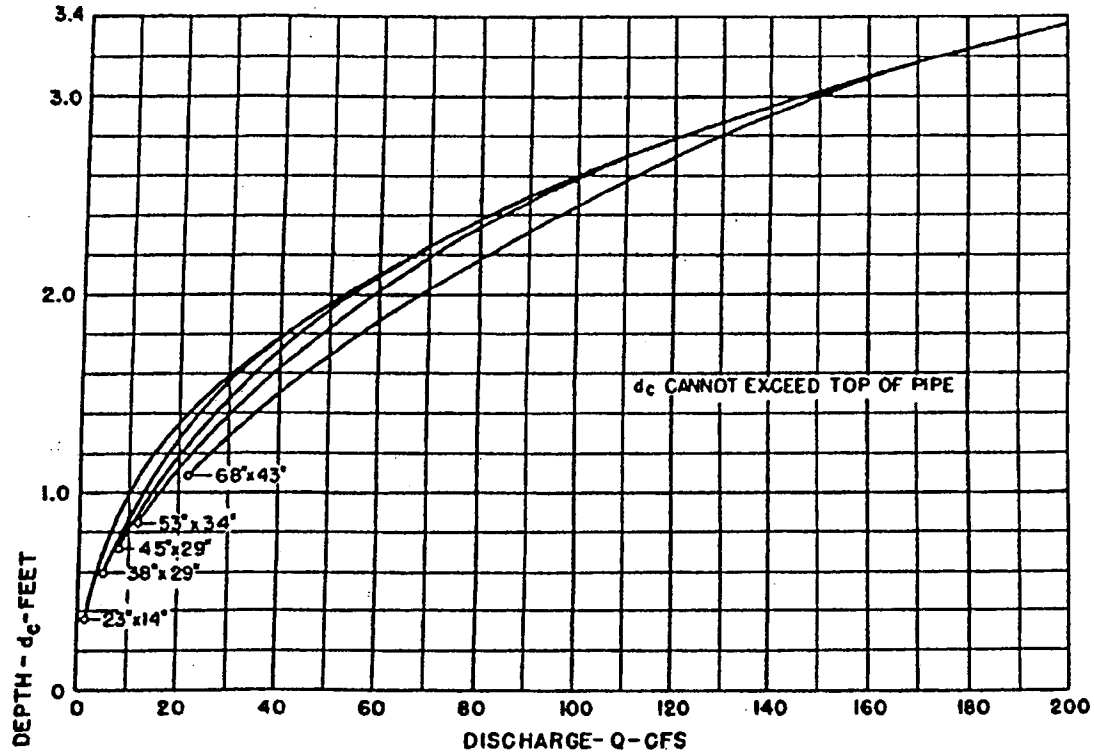
# CHART 30



## HEADWATER DEPTH FOR OVAL CONCRETE PIPE CULVERTS LONG AXIS VERTICAL WITH INLET CONTROL



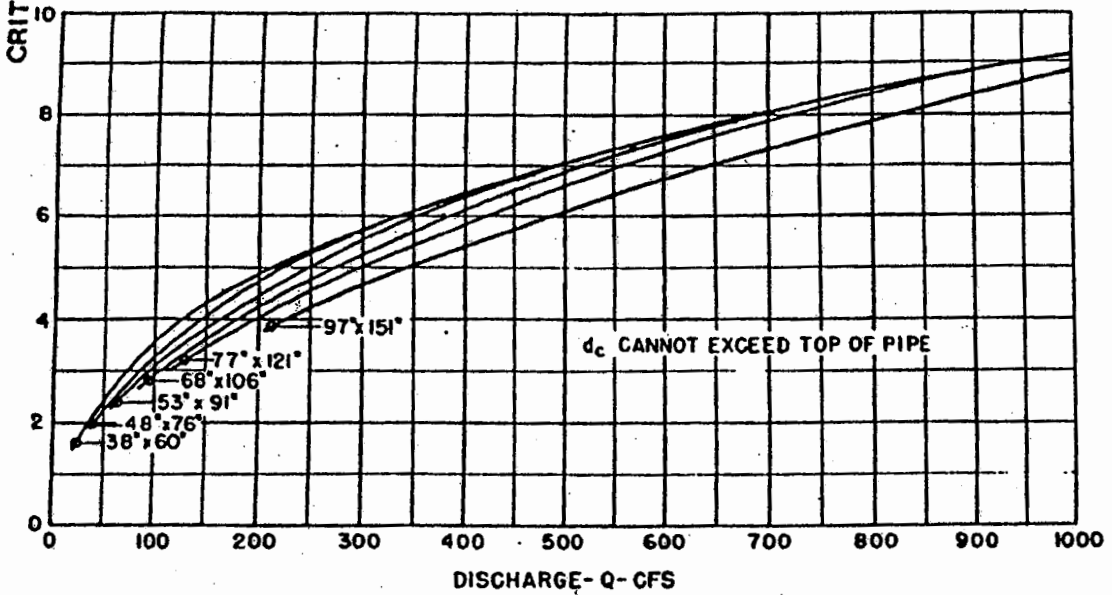
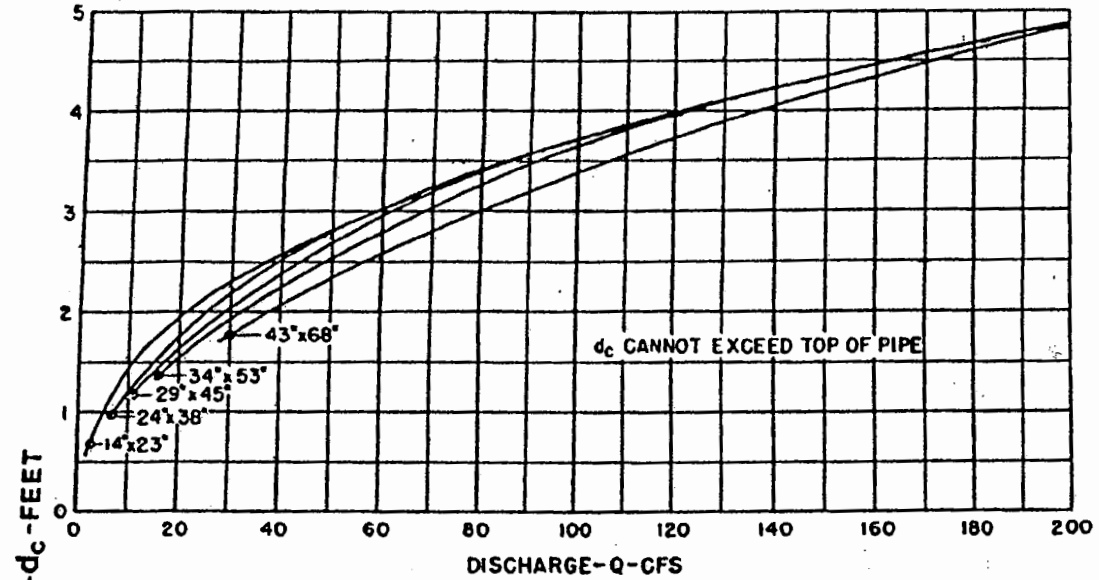
CHART 31



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CRITICAL DEPTH  
OVAL CONCRETE PIPE  
LONG AXIS HORIZONTAL

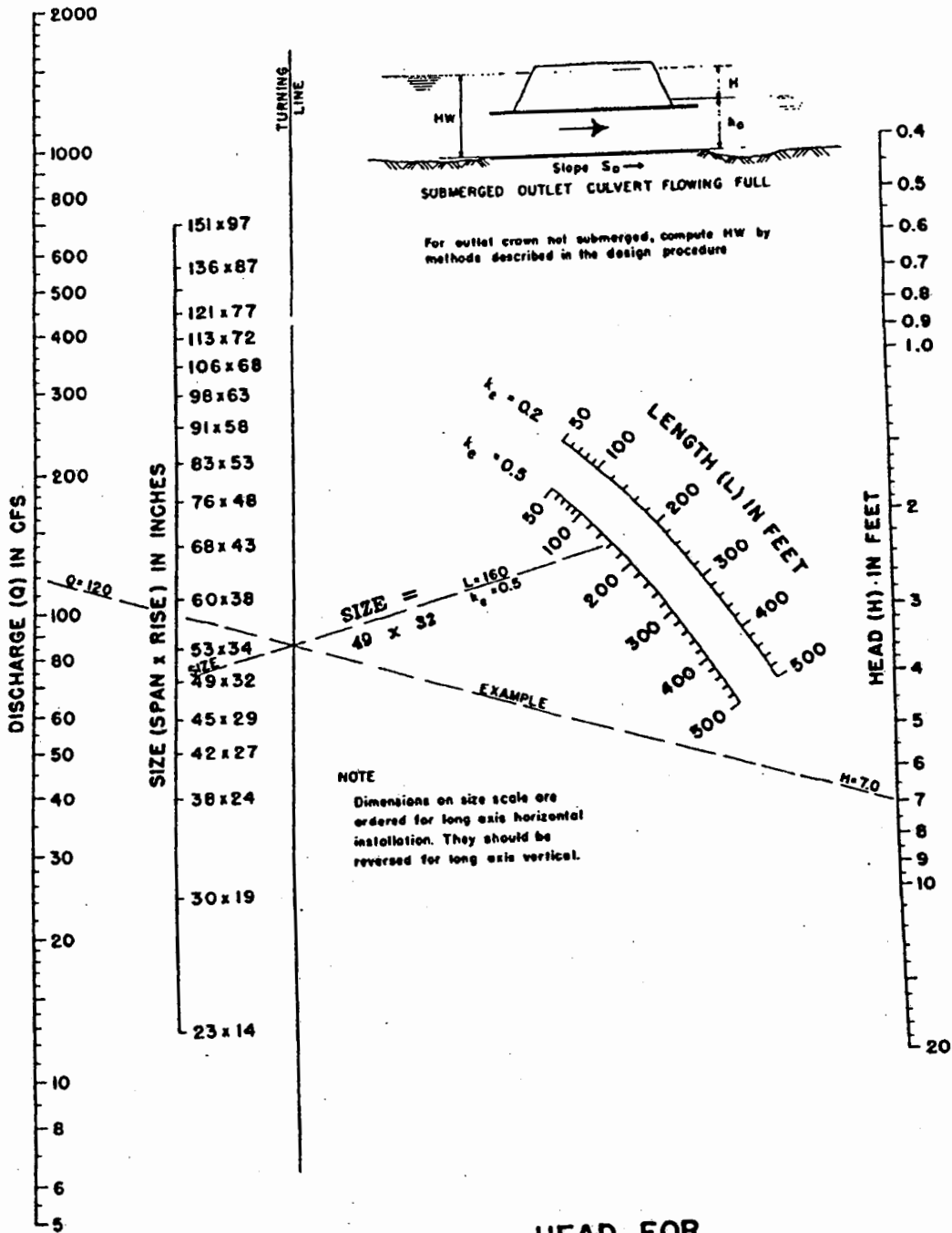
# CHART 32



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CRITICAL DEPTH  
OVAL CONCRETE PIPE  
LONG AXIS VERTICAL

# CHART 33

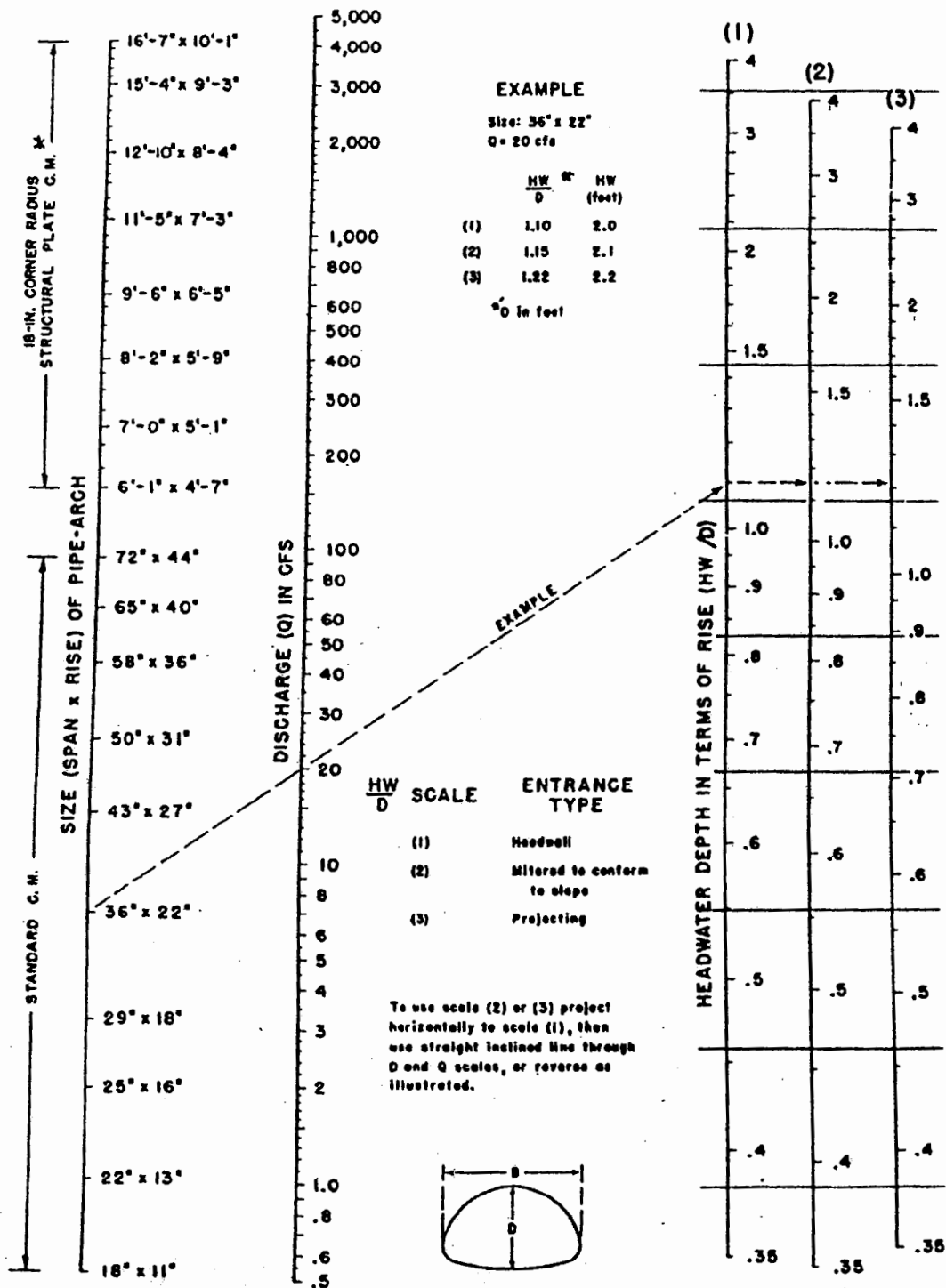


## HEAD FOR OVAL CONCRETE PIPE CULVERTS LONG AXIS HORIZONTAL OR VERTICAL FLOWING FULL $n = 0.012$





# CHART 34



\*ADDITIONAL SIZES NOT DIMENSIONED ARE LISTED IN FABRICATOR'S CATALOG

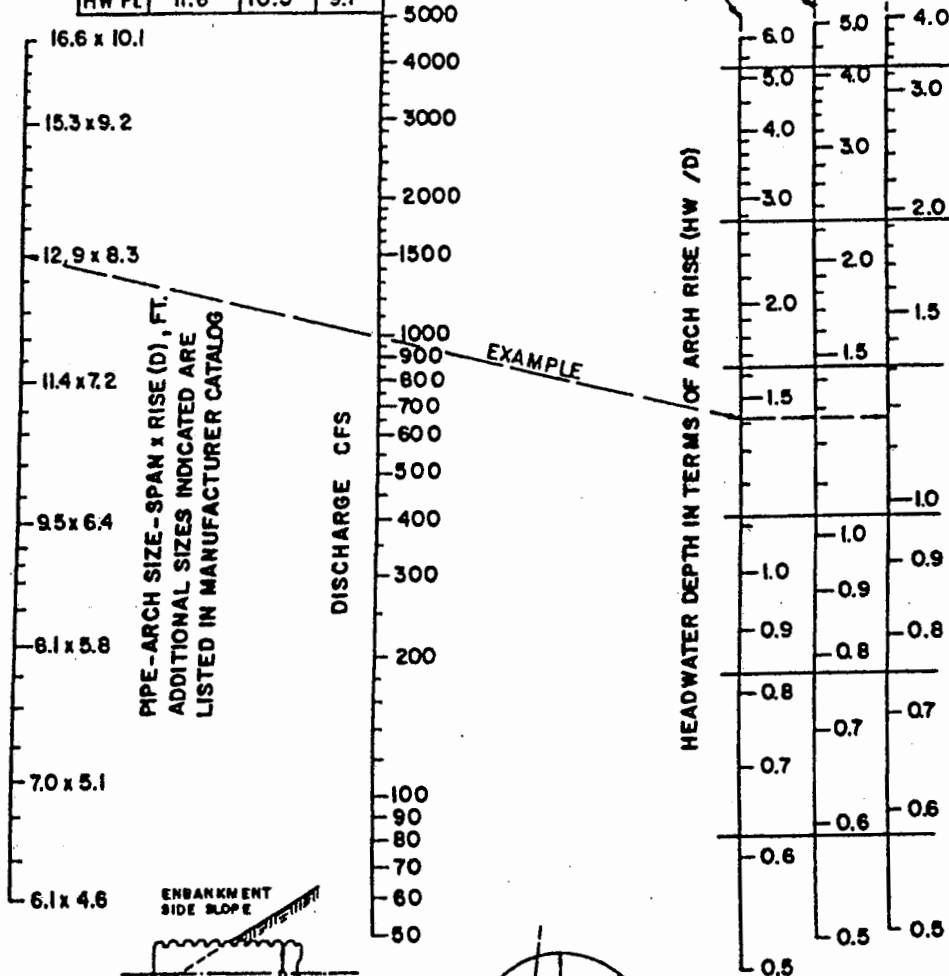
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## HEADWATER DEPTH FOR C. M. PIPE-ARCH CULVERTS WITH INLET CONTROL

# CHART 35

EXAMPLE  
 SIZE 12.9' x 8.3' Q=1000 CFS

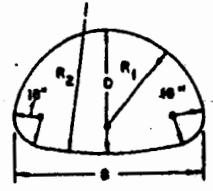
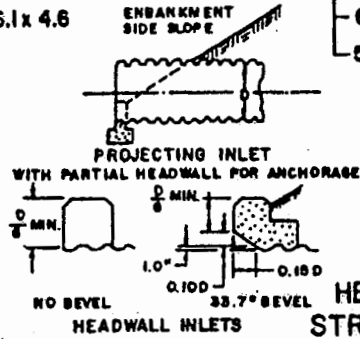
	PROJECT	HEADWALL	
		NO BEV	BEVEL
HW / D	1.42	1.27	1.17
HW FL	11.8	10.5	9.7



PIPE-ARCH SIZE - SPAN x RISE (D), FT.  
 ADDITIONAL SIZES INDICATED ARE  
 LISTED IN MANUFACTURER CATALOG

DISCHARGE CFS

HEADWATER DEPTH IN TERMS OF ARCH RISE (HW / D)



HEADWATER DEPTH FOR INLET CONTROL  
 STRUCTURAL PLATE PIPE-ARCH CULVERTS

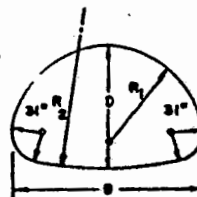
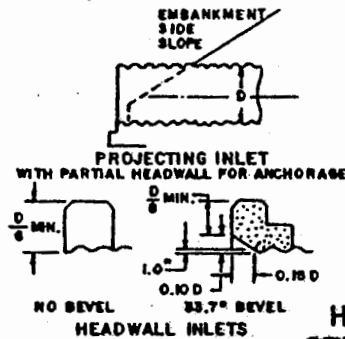
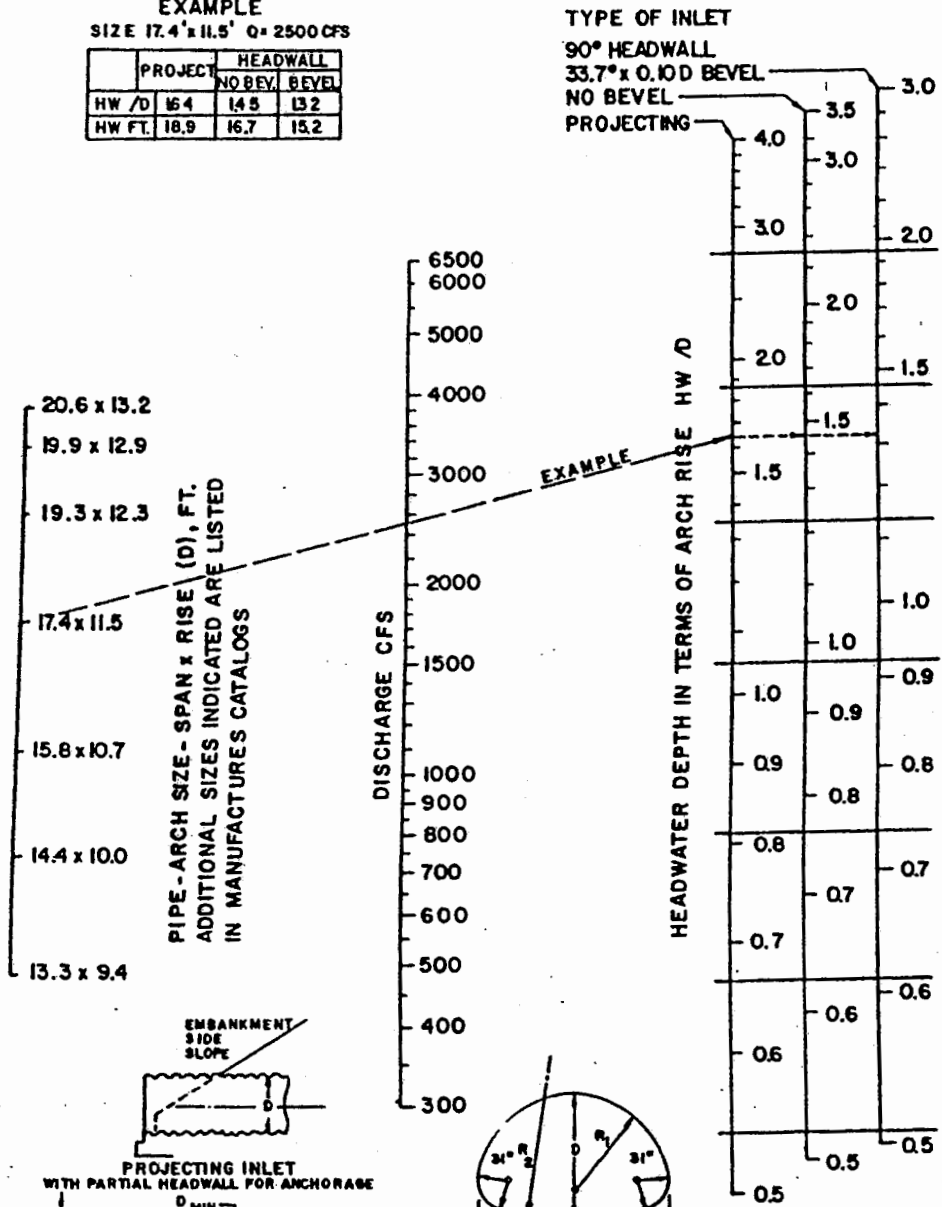
18-IN. RADIUS CORNER PLATE  
 PROJECTING OR HEADWALL INLET  
 HEADWALL WITH OR WITHOUT EDGE BEVEL

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# CHART 36

EXAMPLE  
 SIZE 17.4' x 11.5' O = 2500 CFS

	PROJECT	HEADWALL	
		NO BEV.	BEVEL
HW / D	154	145	132
HW FT.	18.9	16.7	15.2

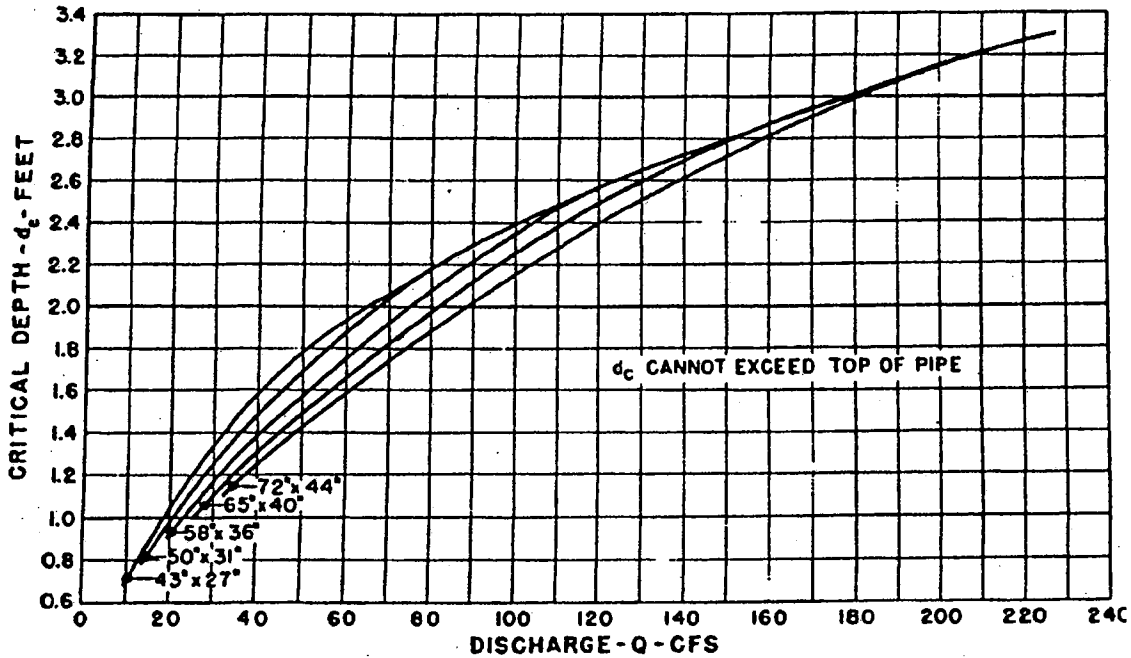
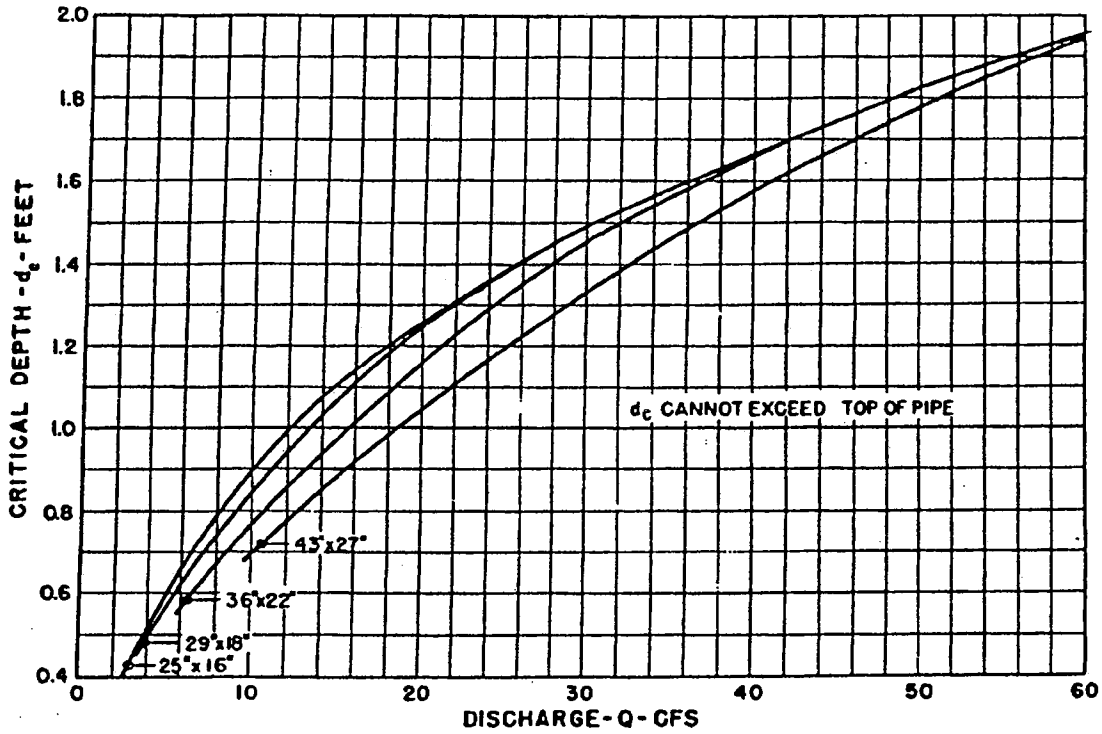


## HEADWATER DEPTH FOR INLET CONTROL STRUCTURAL PLATE PIPE-ARCH CULVERTS

31-IN. RADIUS CORNER PLATE  
 PROJECTING OR HEADWALL INLET  
 HEADWALL WITH OR WITHOUT EDGE BEVEL

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# CHART 37

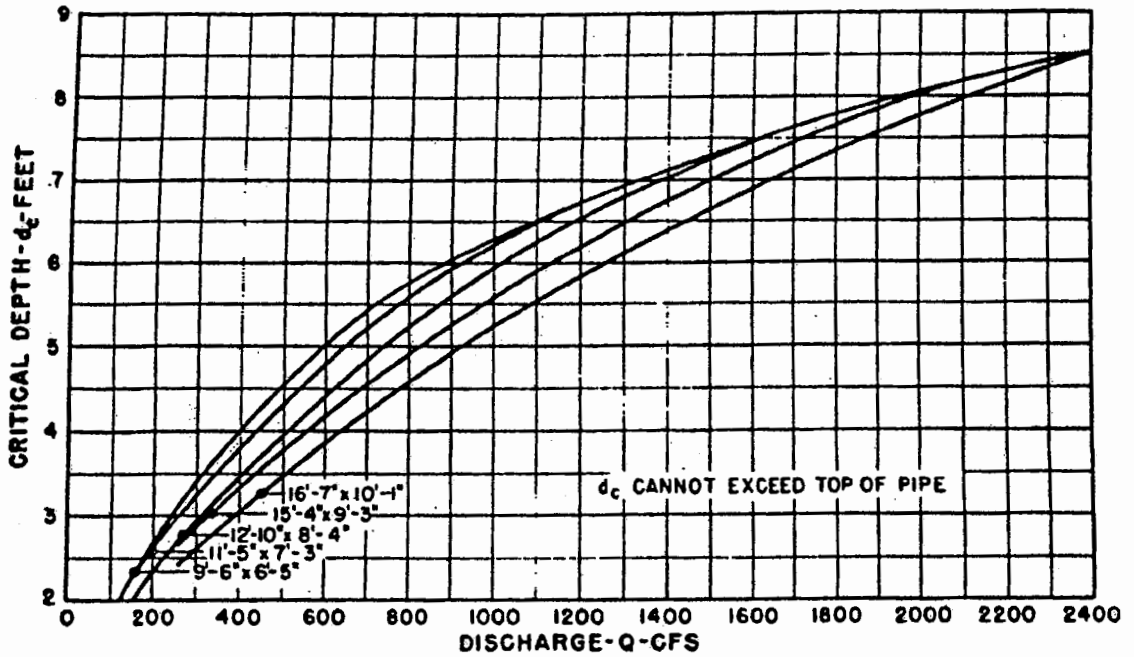
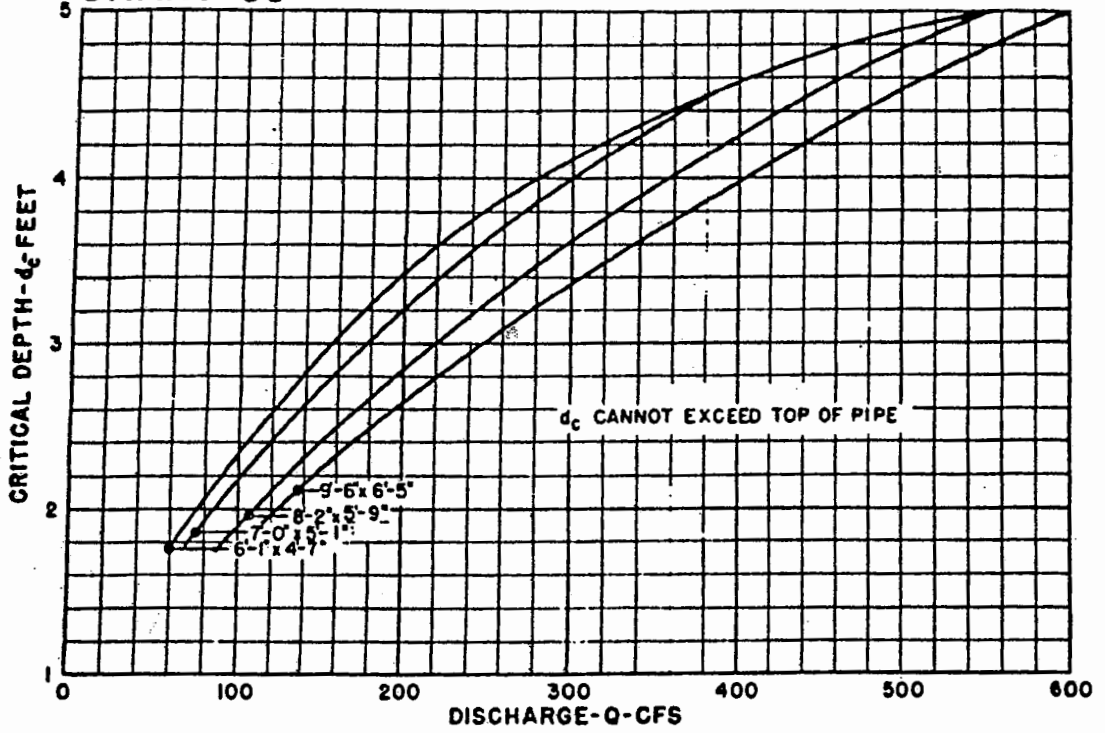


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CRITICAL DEPTH  
STANDARD G.M. PIPE-ARCH



CHART 38

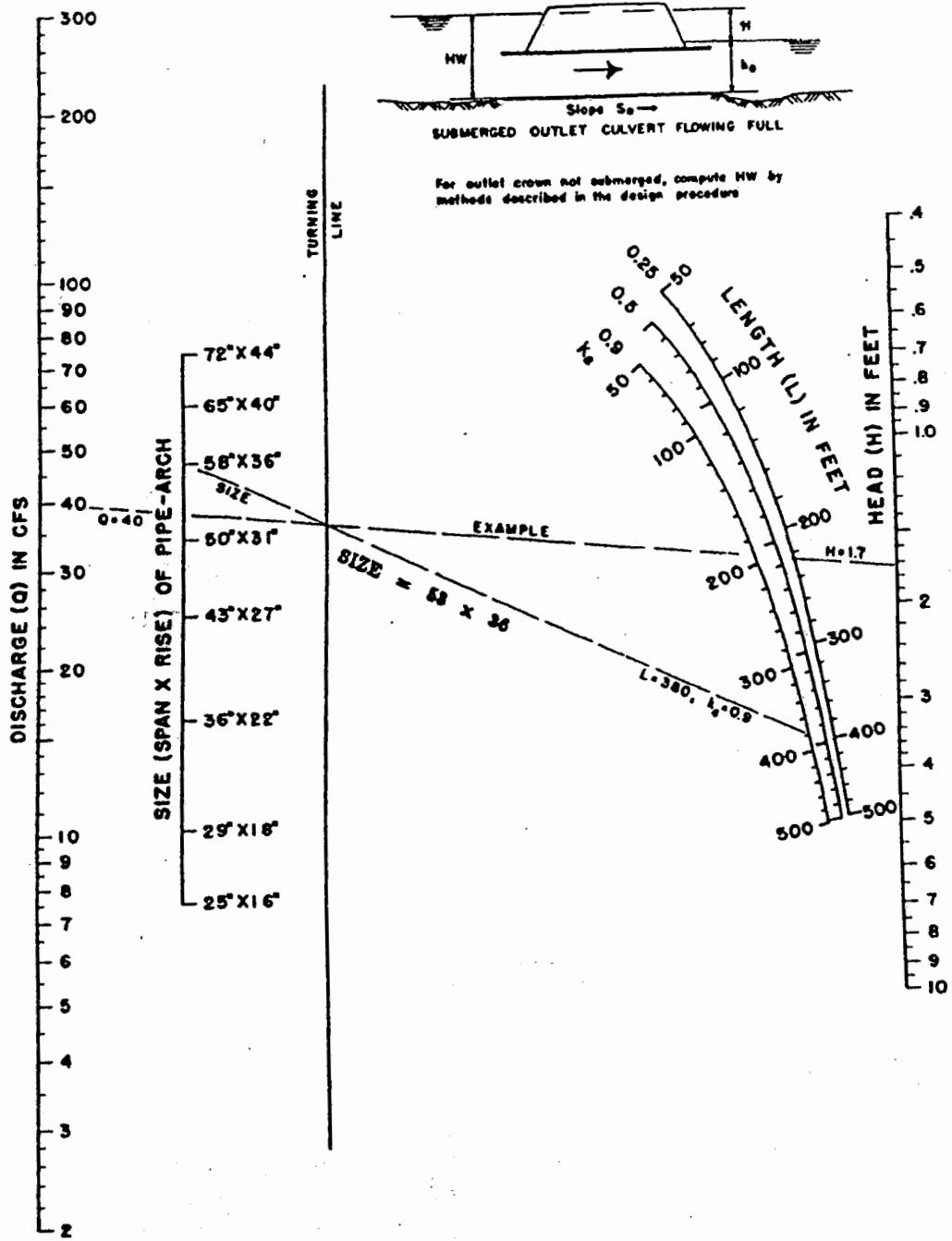


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CRITICAL DEPTH  
STRUCTURAL PLATE  
C. M. PIPE - ARCH  
18 INCH CORNER RADIUS

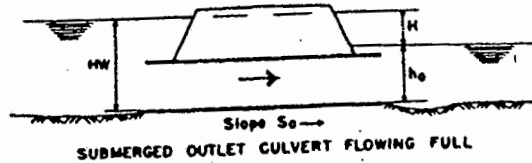


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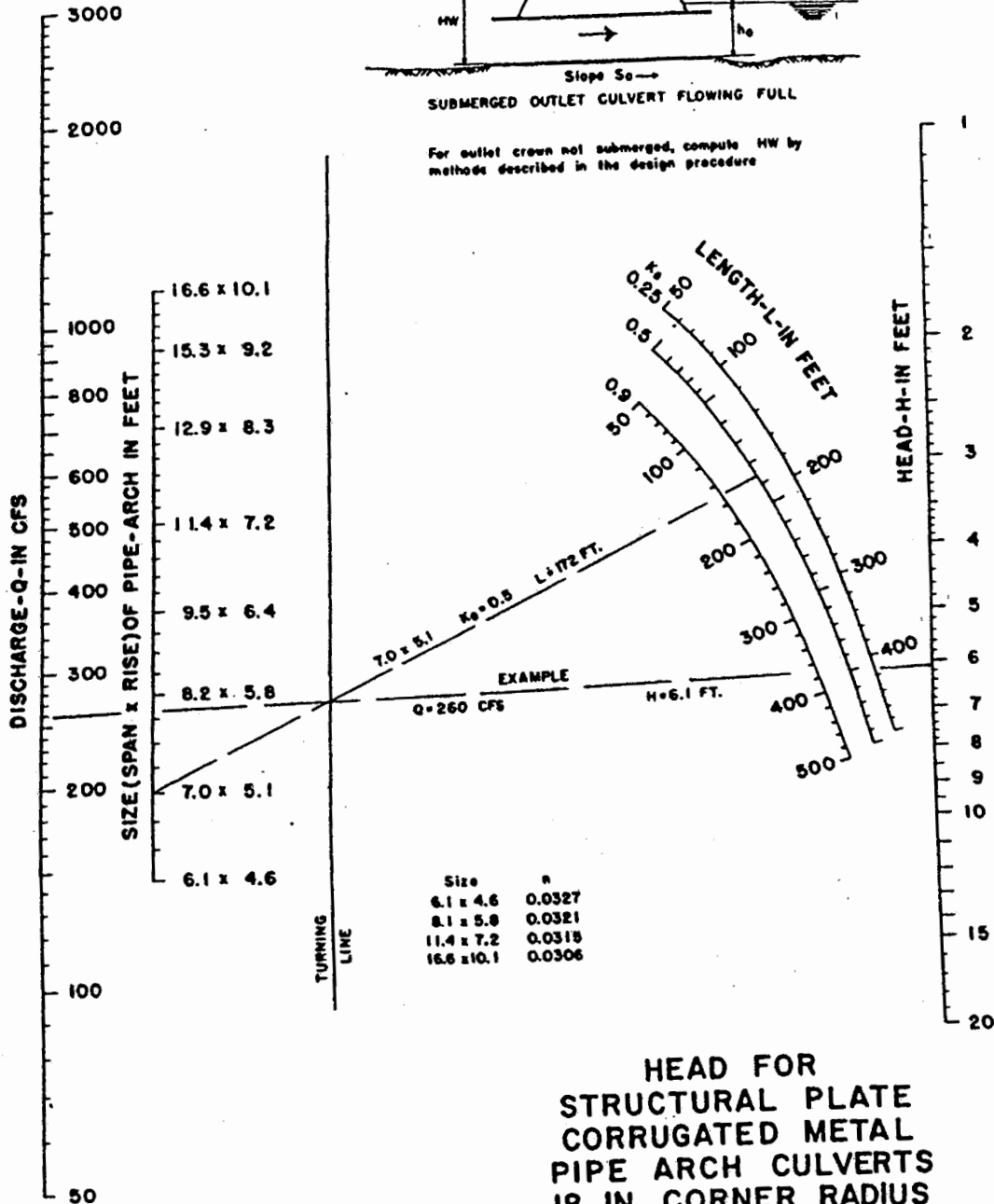


HEAD FOR  
STANDARD G. M. PIPE-ARCH CULVERTS  
FLOWING FULL  
 $n = 0.024$

# CHART 40



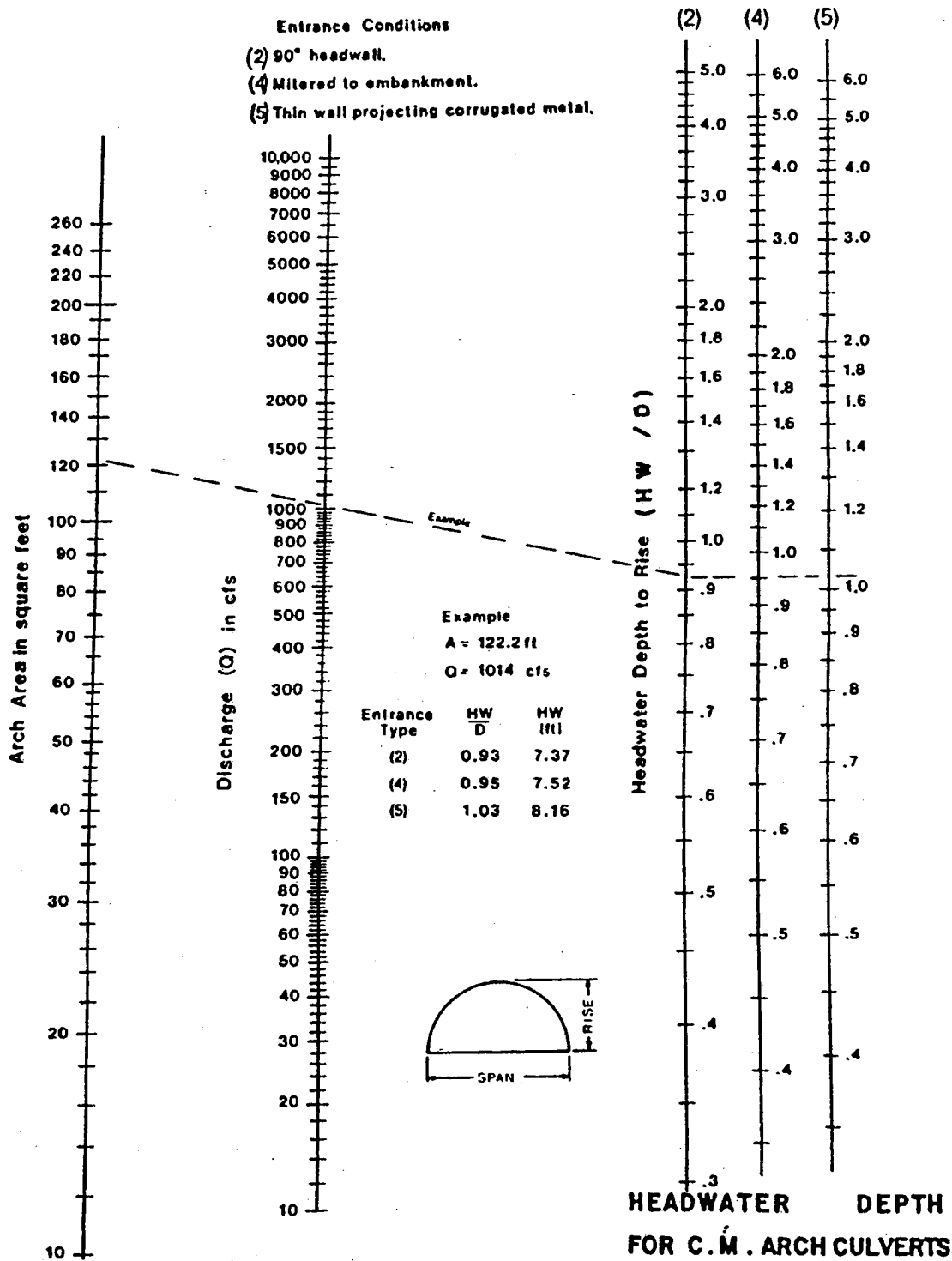
For outlet crown not submerged, compute HW by methods described in the design procedure



Size	n
6.1 x 4.6	0.0327
8.1 x 5.8	0.0321
11.4 x 7.2	0.0315
16.6 x 10.1	0.0306

HEAD FOR  
STRUCTURAL PLATE  
CORRUGATED METAL  
PIPE ARCH CULVERTS  
18 IN. CORNER RADIUS  
FLOWING FULL  
n=0.0327 TO 0.0306

# CHART 41



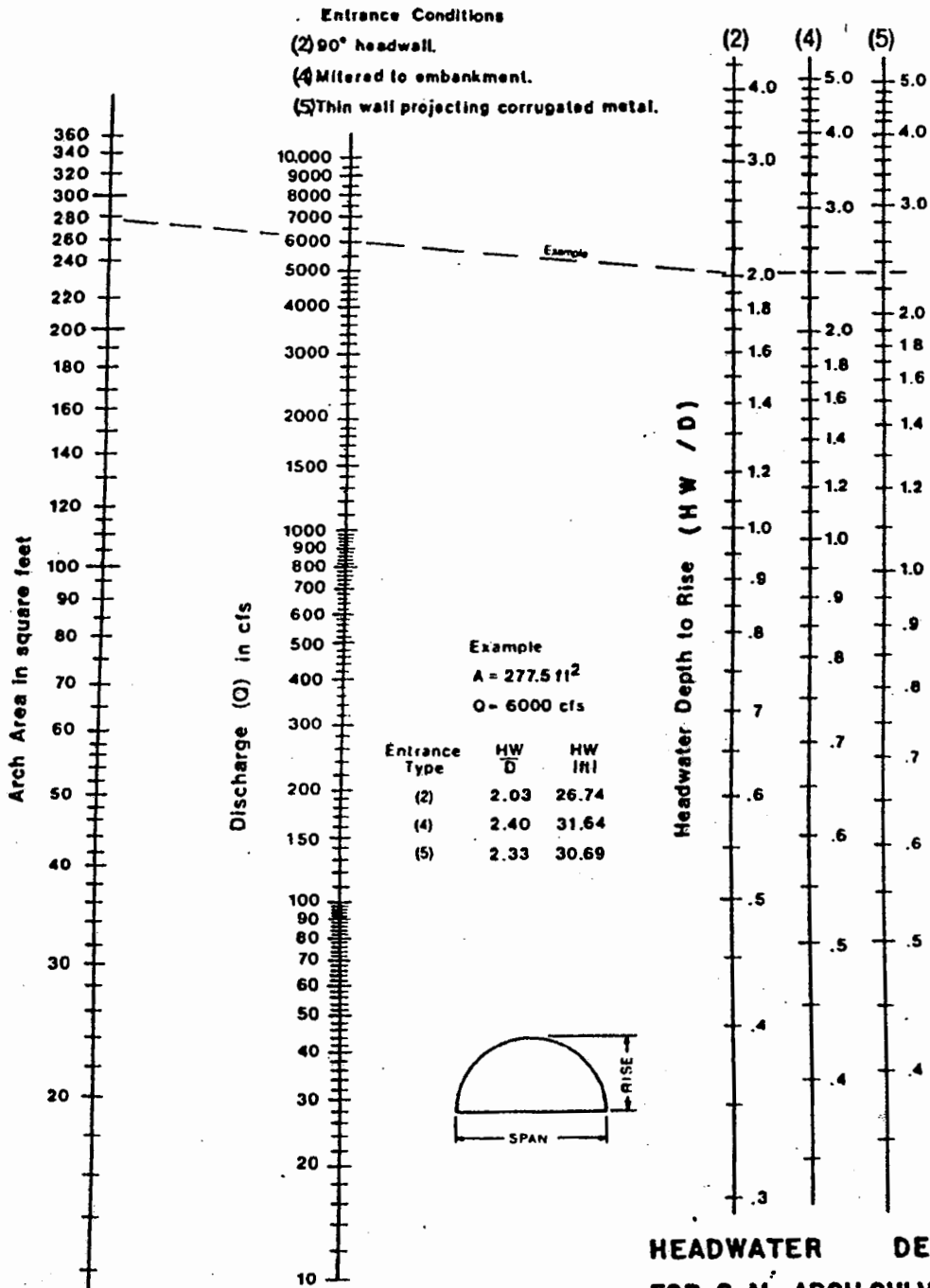
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# CHART 42



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**HEADWATER DEPTH  
 FOR C.M. ARCH CULVERTS  
 $0.4 \leq \text{RISE} / \text{SPAN} < 0.5$   
 WITH INLET CONTROL**

# CHART 43

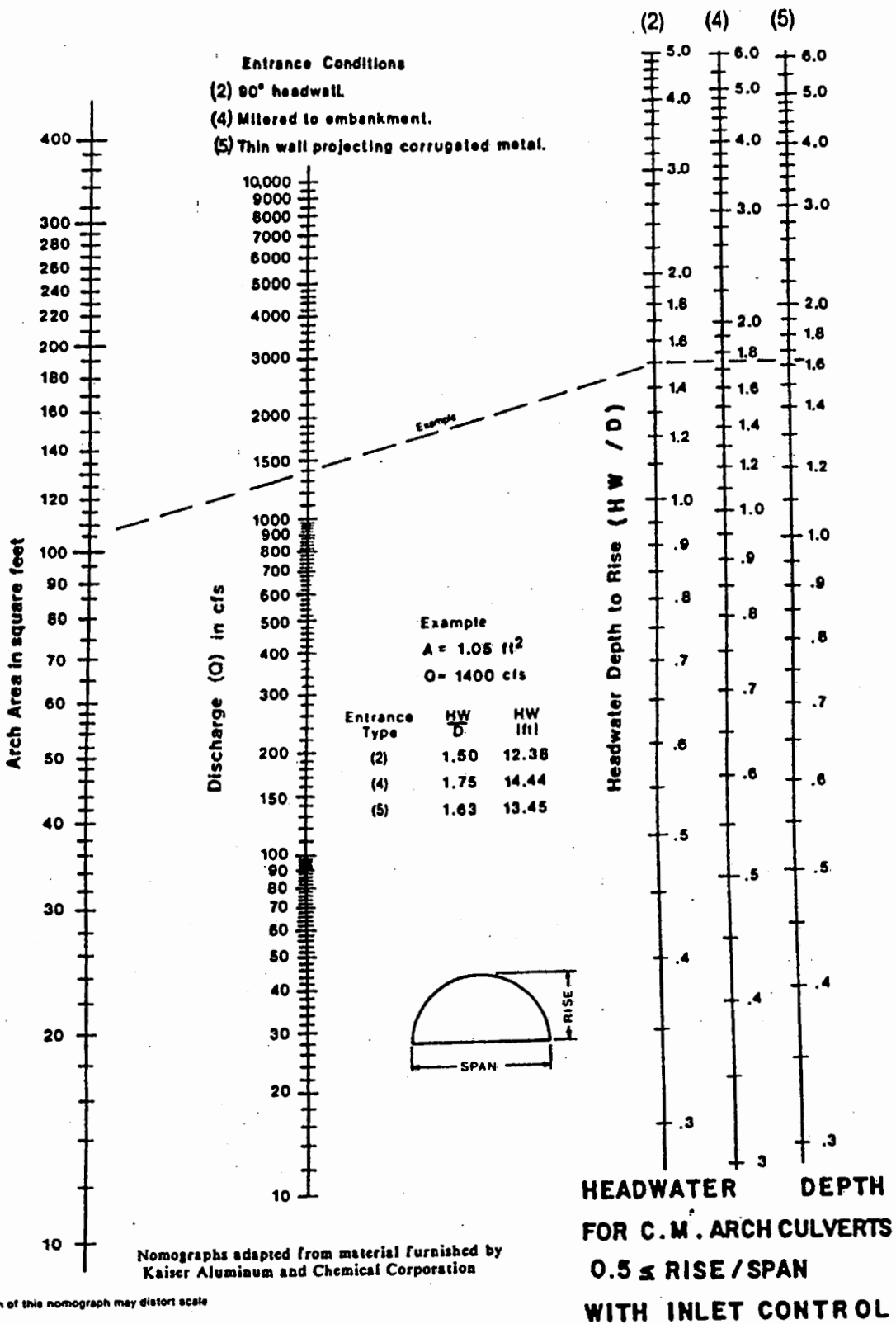
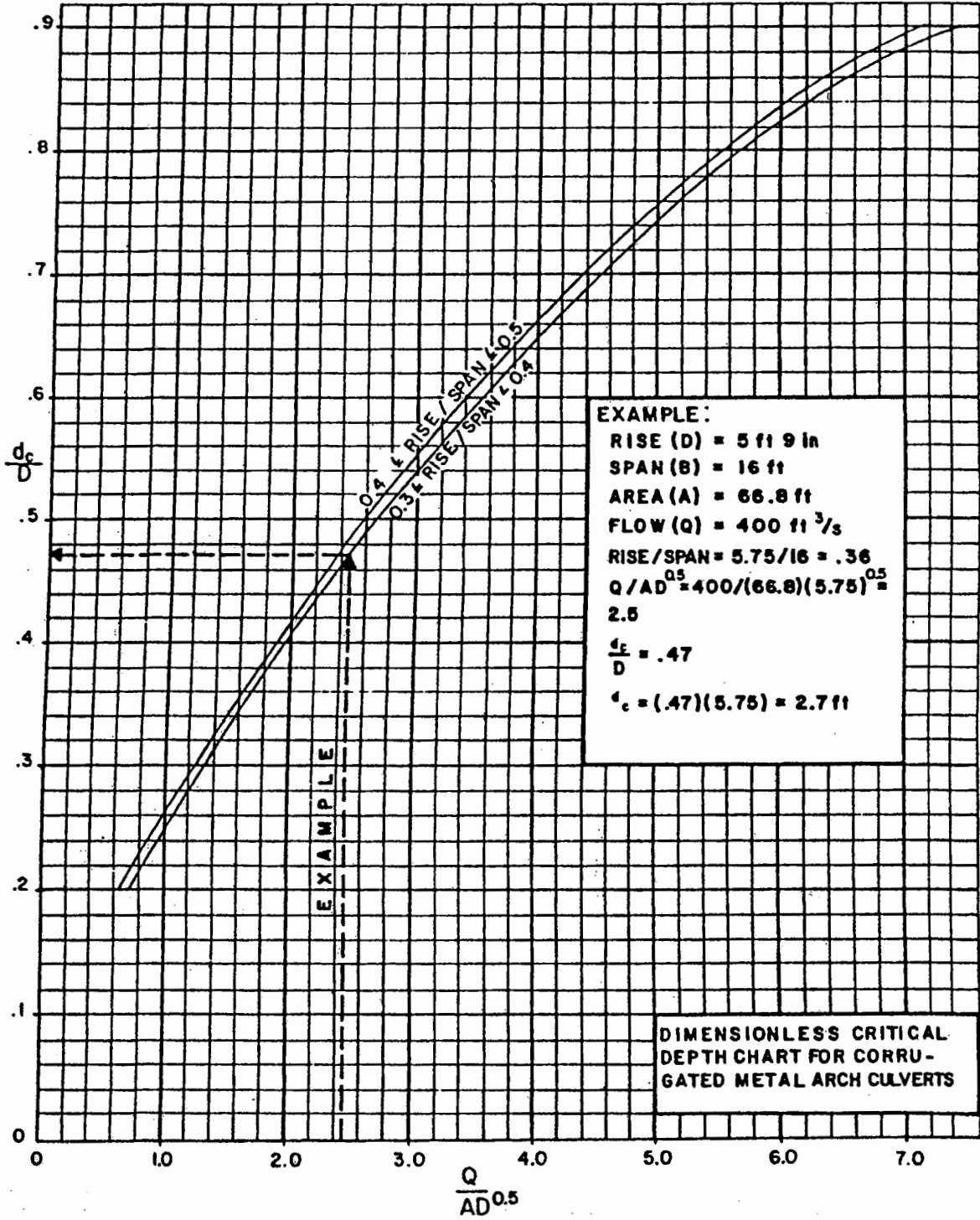
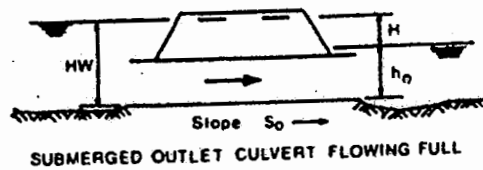
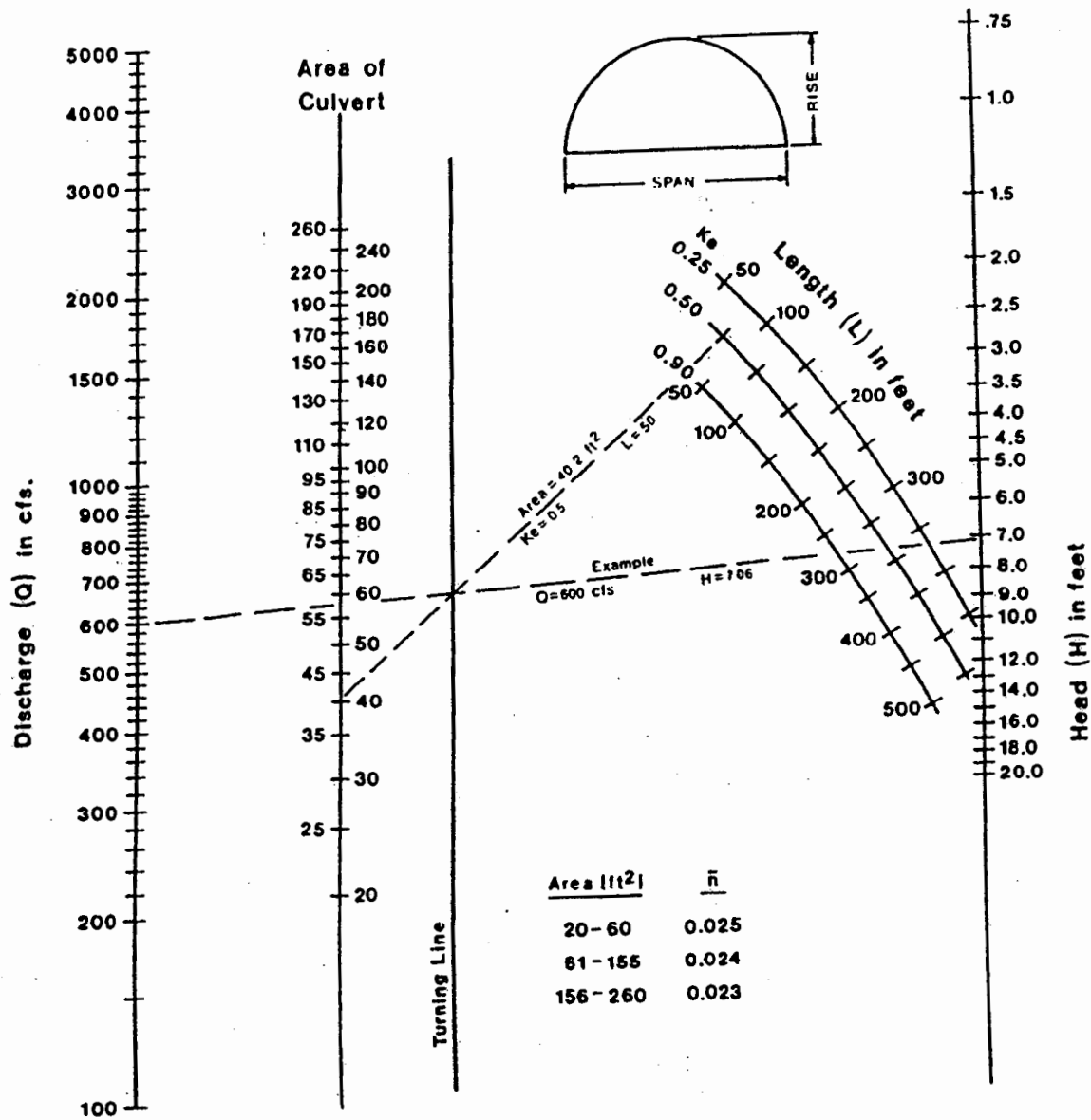




CHART 44



# CHART 45



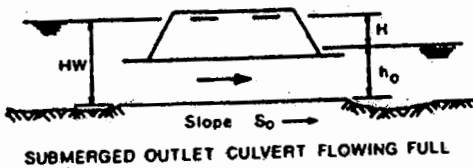
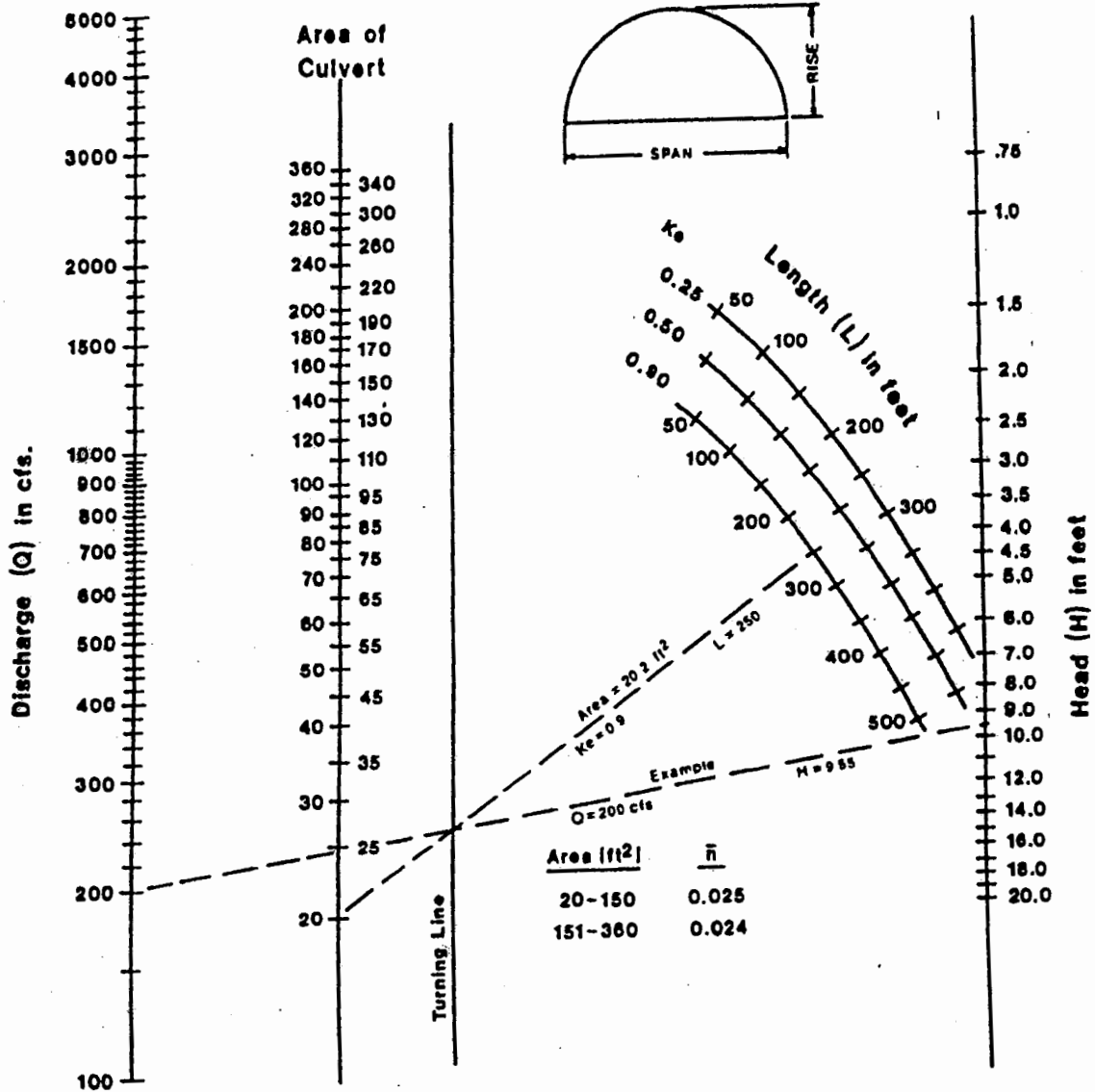
**HEAD FOR  
C.M. ARCH CULVERTS  
FLOWING FULL  
CONCRETE BOTTOM  
 $0.3 \leq \text{RISE} / \text{SPAN} < 0.4$**

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# CHART 46

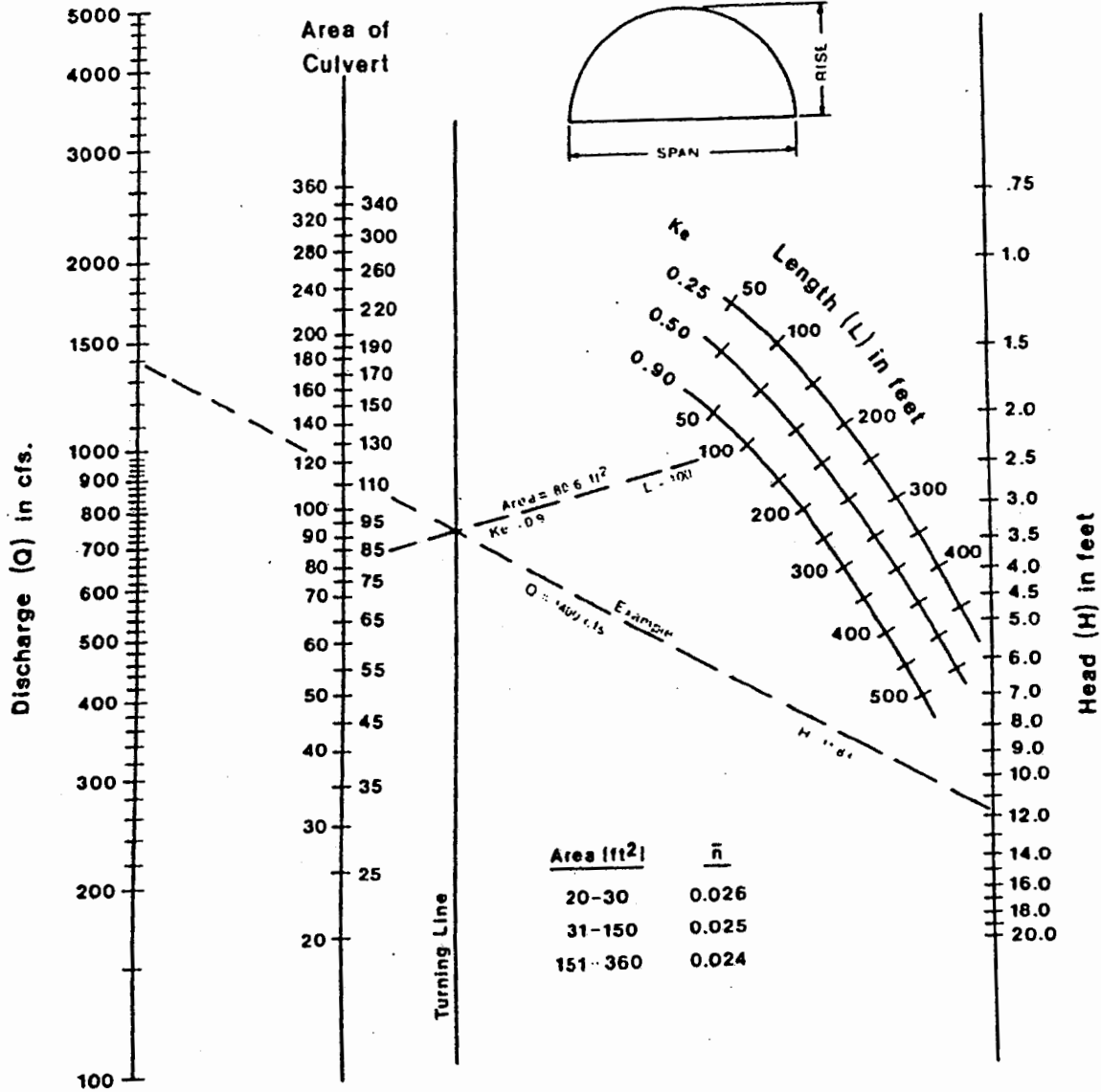


**HEAD FOR  
C.M. ARCH CULVERTS  
FLOWING FULL  
CONCRETE BOTTOM  
 $0.4 \leq \text{RISE} / \text{SPAN} < 0.5$**

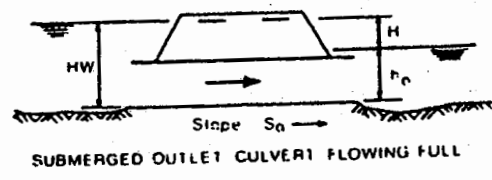
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# CHART 47



Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	$\bar{n}$
20-30	0.026
31-150	0.025
151-360	0.024



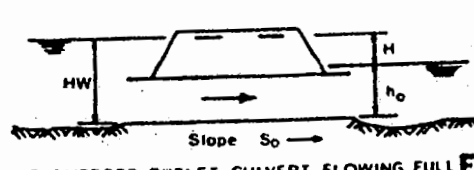
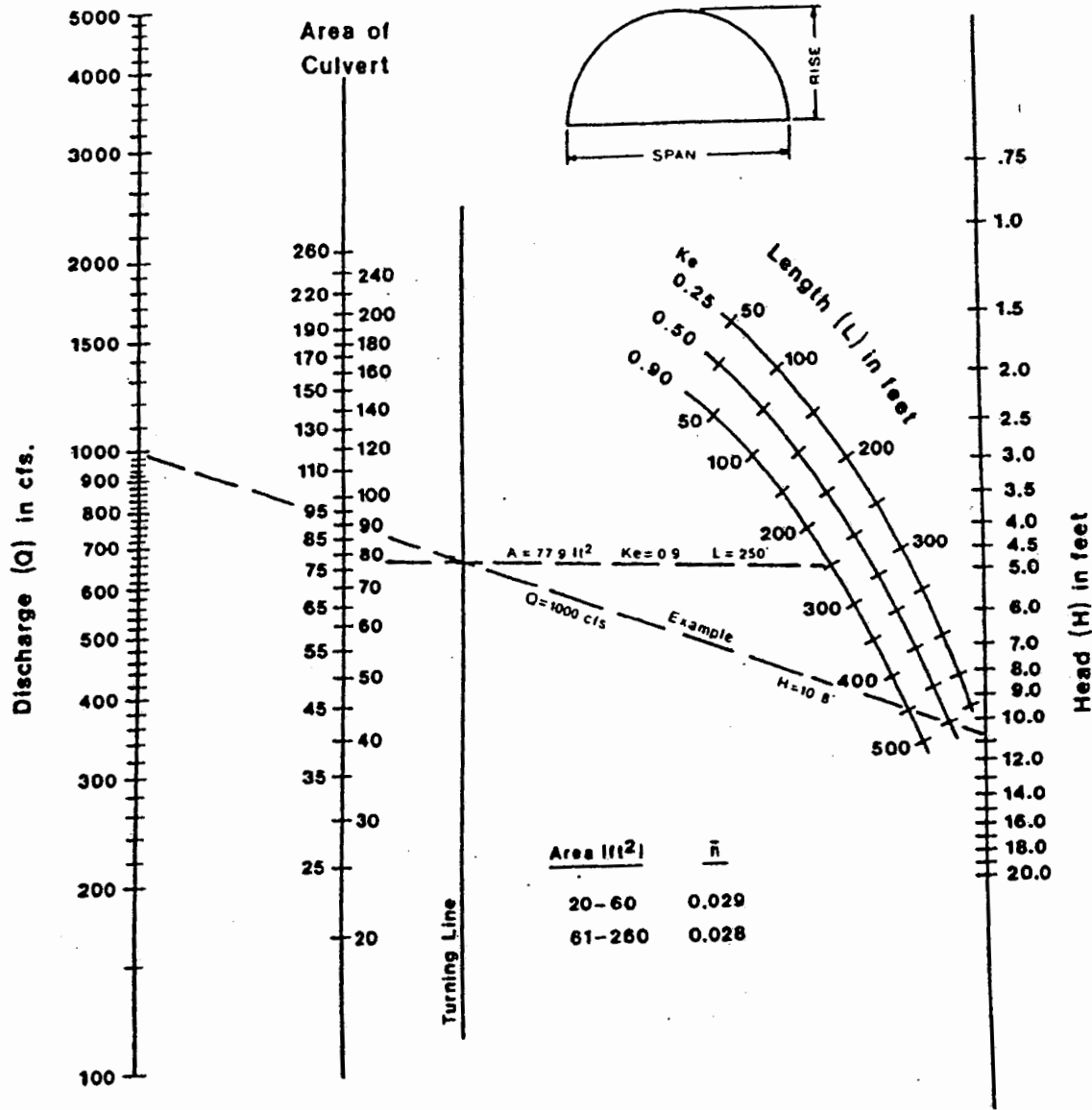
**HEAD FOR  
C. M. ARCH CULVERTS  
FLOWING FULL  
CONCRETE BOTTOM  
 $0.5 \leq \text{RISE} / \text{SPAN}$**

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# CHART 48



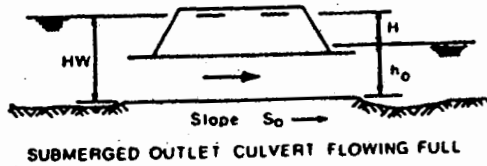
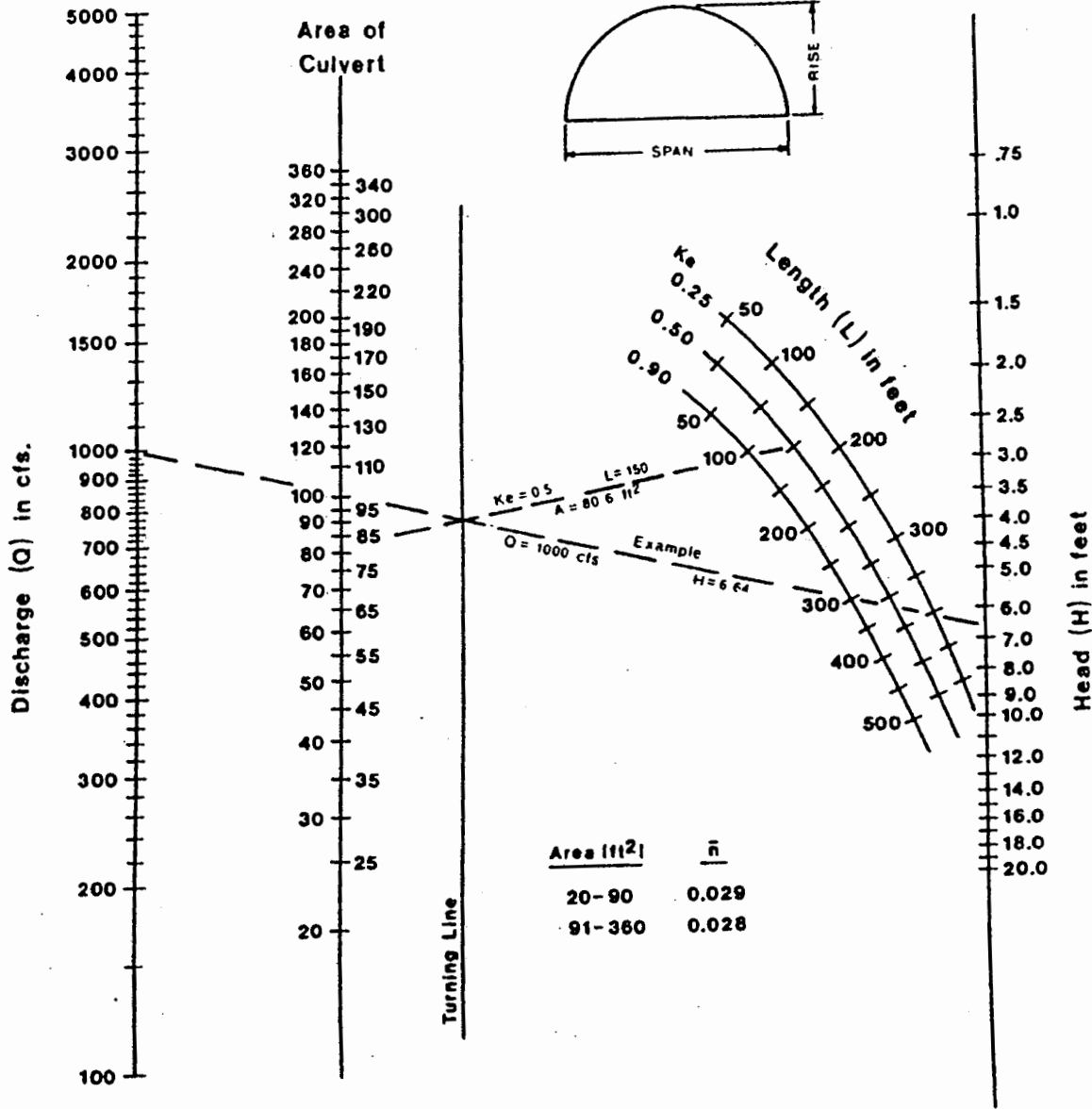
SUBMERGED OUTLET CULVERT FLOWING FULL

**HEAD FOR  
C.M. ARCH CULVERTS  
FLOWING FULL  
EARTH BOTTOM ( $n_b = 0.022$ )  
 $0.3 \leq \text{RISE} / \text{SPAN} < 0.4$**

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# CHART 49



**HEAD FOR  
C.M. ARCH CULVERTS  
FLOWING FULL  
EARTH BOTTOM ( $n_b = 0.022$ )  
 $0.4 \leq \text{RISE} / \text{SPAN} < 0.5$**

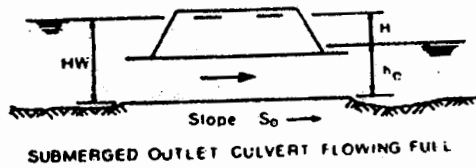
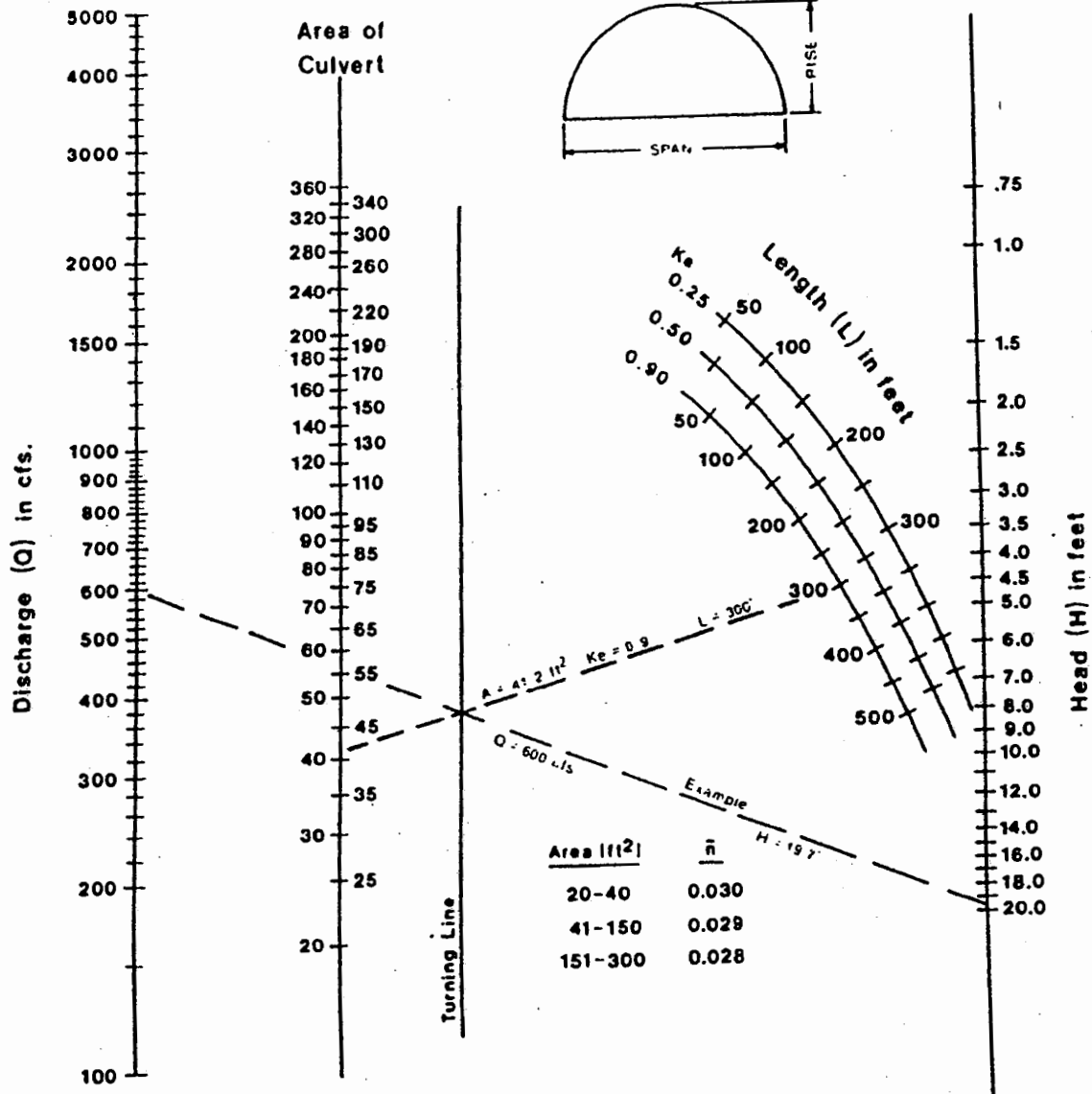
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# CHART 50



**HEAD FOR  
C.M. ARCH CULVERTS  
FLOWING FULL  
EARTH BOTTOM ( $n_b = 0.022$ )  
 $0.5 \leq \text{RISE} / \text{SPAN}$**

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