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Analysis of Rolling Theory by Analog Computer

— Karman's Differential Equation —

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§1. Introduction

Since Karman's differential equation cannot be solved strictly analytically, Tselikov, Trinks, Nadai, Hill and others obtained its solution through approximation or construction by various means, which, however, require considerable labor. The analysis by analog computer presented here is an automatically converging calculation system using an automatic programming system, markedly saving calculation time, e. g. determination of a pressure distribution curve, roll radius or projected contact length etc. takes only 1 ~ 2 minutes. Besides, in the logical operation and control of analog computer, reverse time operation system is adopted, widely differing from the conventional boundary value problem. The outline of this analysis will be described below.

§2. Outlines of Rolling

Assume that a plate of thickness  $h_1$  is rolled to thickness  $h_2$ . While circumferential speed of roll,  $v$ , is constant everywhere, material speed at roll exit  $v'_2$  is always faster than that at roll entrance  $v'_1$ , since the material is elongated by rolling. In Fig. 1, therefore, material speed of hatched area A is slower than  $v$ , and material is drawn in toward roll exit by frictional force against the roll face, while material speed of hatched area B is faster than  $v$ , preventing flow of material due to frictional force against the roll face. At the mid-point between A and B, e. g., Y in Fig. 1, material speed is equal to  $v$ , eliminating mutual slipping. Hence point Y is called neutral point or watershed, and  $\phi$ , roll angle at neutral point.

The absolute value of frictional force between roll and material is represented by a single-peaked curve with maximum at neutral point, as illustrated in Fig. 1.

When horizontal pressure  $q$  is applied to a block of material which is deformed by vertical pressure  $p$  as shown in Fig. 2, deformation requires vertical pressure  $p+q$  to overcome the effect of horizontal pressure  $q$ . Accordingly, distribution of vertical pressure takes thatch-shaped curve as shown in Fig. 1.

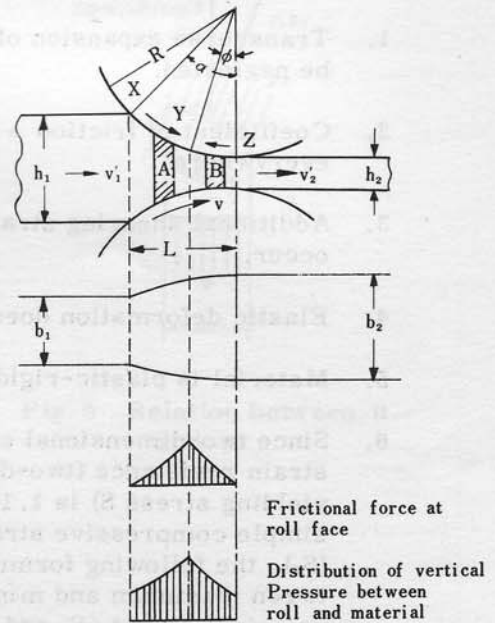


Fig. 1. Rolling Process

§3. Derivation of Equation

3-1. Projected Contact Length

If the roll is assumed not to deform in the course of rolling, projected contact length  $L$  (to be represented by  $X$  hereinafter) is given by Eq. (1), exactly, or by Eq. (2), in approximation.

$$X_1 = \sqrt{R\Delta h - \frac{(\Delta h)^2}{4}} \quad (1)$$

$$X_1 = \sqrt{R\Delta h} \quad (2)$$

In case that the segment of roll in contact with material is elastically deformed in the course of rolling, such as cold rolling of thin plate, the actual projected contact length is longer than  $X_1$ , as given by Hitchcock's formula, Eq. (3)

$$X_1 = \sqrt{\left[ \frac{8R(1-r^2)p'm}{\pi E} \right]^2 + R\Delta h} + \frac{8R(1-r^2)p'm}{\pi E} \quad (3)$$

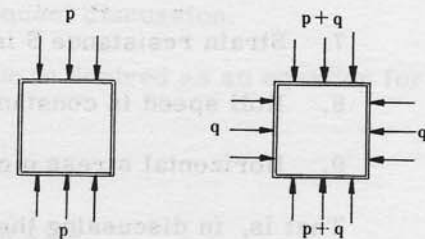


Fig. 2. Deformation under Plane Stress

Or, more frequently, using modified roll radius  $R'$  caused by elastic deformation, which can be represented by Eq. (4) according to Hitachicock,  $X'$  may be represented by Eq. (5) in place of Eq. (3).

$$\frac{R'}{R} = 1 + \frac{16(1-\nu^2)}{\pi E} \frac{p}{b\Delta h} \quad (4)$$

$$X' = \sqrt{R'\Delta h} \quad (5)$$

where  $\nu$ : Poisson's ratio  
 $E$ : Young's modulus  
 $b$ : Width of material  
 $pm$ : mean rolling pressure  
 $P$ : rolling load

Rolling load  $P$  is represented by Eq. (6) as a function of rolling pressure  $p$  as in Eq. (6).

$$P = b \int_0^{X_1'} p dx \quad (6)$$

### 3-2. Karman's Differential Equation

In discussion of stress equilibrium at a minute segment bounded by sections parallel to roll shaft, as the hatched area in Fig. 3, Karman derived a differential equation in the following way, assuming 9 hypotheses given below.

1. Transverse expansion of material can be neglected.
2. Coefficient of friction  $\mu$  is uniform everywhere.
3. Additional shearing strain does not occur.
4. Elastic deformation does not occur.
5. Material is plastic-rigid.
6. Since two-dimensional constraint strain resistance (two-dimensional yielding stress  $S$ ) is 1.15 times simple compressive strain resistance ( $S_0$ ), the following formula holds between maximum and minimum principal stress,  $S_1$  and  $S_3$ , respectively.

$$S = 1.15 S_0 = S_1 - S_3$$

7. Strain resistance  $S$  is uniform throughout arc of contact.
8. Roll speed is constant.
9. Horizontal stress  $q$  of material distributes uniformly in the direction of thickness.

That is, in discussing the equilibrium of horizontal stress at the hatched area in Fig. 3, transverse extension can be assumed always 1, to omit calculation.

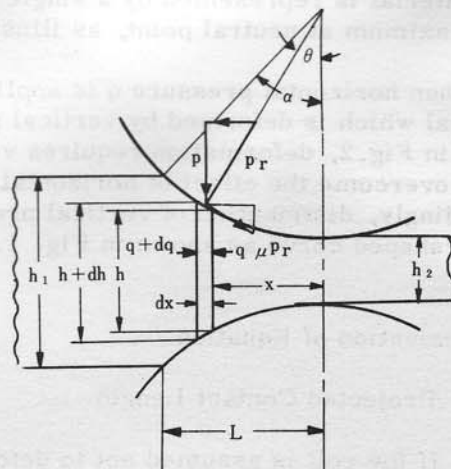


Fig. 3 Pressure Equilibrium in Rolling



Horizontal stress  $\Delta Q$  acting on the small portion of material through the cross-section is:

$$\Delta Q = (h+dh)(q+dq) - h \cdot q$$

Hence,  $\Delta Q = hq + dh \cdot q + dq \cdot h + dh \cdot dq - hq$

$$\cong dh \cdot q + dq \cdot h$$

$$= d(h \cdot q) \quad (7)$$

Since horizontal component  $\Delta Q$  of stress acting on the small portion of material through the surface is the sum of horizontal component of pressure vertical to roll face  $pr$  and of horizontal component of frictional force  $pr$  acting to the surface of material, horizontal stress on the one side of material  $\Delta Q/2$  is given by (8), (8') or (8'').

$$\frac{\Delta Q}{2} = \left( \rho_r \frac{dx}{\cos \theta} \right) \sin \theta - \mu \left( \rho_r \frac{dx}{\cos \theta} \right) \cos \theta \quad (8)$$

$$= \rho_r (\tan \theta - \tan f) dx \quad (8')$$

where  $\mu = \tan f$ .

While Fig. 4 gives stress equilibrium at the entrance of roll, the direction of frictional force is reversed at the exit of roll, thus giving Eq. (8'') from Eq. (8').

$$\frac{\Delta Q}{2} = \rho_r (\tan \theta \mp \tan f) dx \quad (8'')$$

Furthermore, putting compressive force and compressive stress acting on material in  $dx$  from the roll surface in Fig. 5 as  $\Delta pr$  and  $pr$ , respectively, the following relation holds:

$$\Delta pr = pr \frac{dx}{\cos \theta} \quad (9)$$

If vertical component of  $\Delta pr$  is put as  $\Delta p = \Delta pr \cos \theta$  and compressive stress in the vertical direction as  $p$

$$\Delta p = \Delta pr \cos \theta = p \cdot dx \quad (10)$$

Accordingly, the following relation always holds from Eq. (9) and (10),

$$p = pr \quad (11)$$

Hence,  $p$  and  $pr$  will not be distinguished in the subsequent discussion.

From Eqs. (7) and (8'), Karman's differential equation is derived as an equation for equilibrium of  $\Delta Q$  as below:

$$d \left( \frac{h \cdot q}{2} \right) = p (\tan \theta \mp \tan f) dx \quad (12)$$

where minus sign refers to entrance side and plus sign to exit side.

Since vertical compressive stress  $p$  is sum of horizontal compressive stress and of

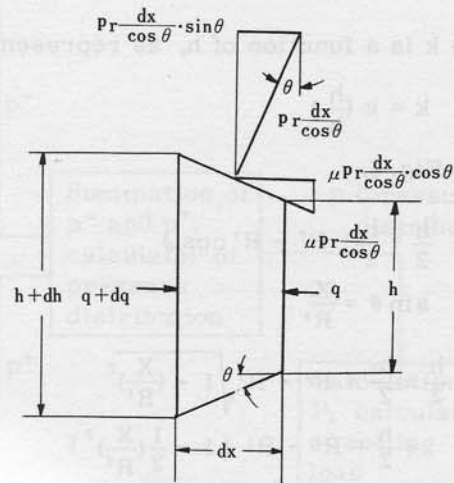


Fig. 4 Details of Stress Equilibrium

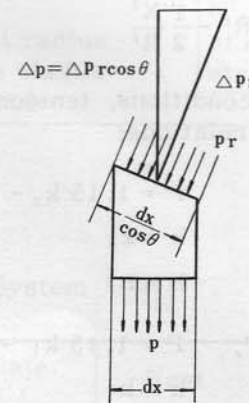


Fig. 5 Relation between  $p$  and  $pr$

stress due to two-dimensional constraint strain resistance,

$$q + k = P \quad (13)$$

where  $k$  is a function of  $h$ , as represented below

$$k = k \left( \frac{h}{h_1} \right) \quad (14)$$

From Fig. 6,

$$\frac{h}{2} = \frac{h_2}{2} + R' - R' \cos \theta$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{X}{R'}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{hence } \frac{h}{2} &= \frac{h_2}{2} + R' - R' \sqrt{1 - \left( \frac{X}{R'} \right)^2} \\ &\doteq \frac{h_2}{2} + R' - R' \left\{ 1 - \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{X}{R'} \right)^2 \right\} \\ &= \frac{h_2}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{X^2}{R'} \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

$$\text{And } \tan \theta = \frac{X}{R' \cos \theta}$$

$$= \frac{X}{R' - \frac{1}{2} \frac{X^2}{R'}} \quad (16)$$

As boundary conditions, tension to material at entrance and exit,  $\sigma_1$  and  $\sigma_2$ , should satisfy the following relations:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \text{where } X = 0, \quad P &= 1.15 k_2 - \sigma_2 = P_2 \\ k &= k_2 \\ h &= h_2 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (17)$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \text{where } X = X_1', \quad P &= 1.15 k_1 - \sigma_1 = P_1 \\ k &= k_1 \\ h &= h_1 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (18)$$

## § 4. Operation of Analog Computer

### 4-1. Construction of Automatic Program

Since pressure distribution  $p$  is as illustrated in Fig. 7, for projected contact length  $X_1$  of roll without elastic strain,  $p^-$  value is calculated starting from the given initial value  $p_1$  in the direction of  $X_1 \rightarrow 0$ , and the value  $p'$  at  $X = 0$  is memorized.

Then at  $X = 0$ , giving initial values  $p_2$  for  $p^+$  and  $p'$  for  $p^-$ , calculating simultaneously in the direction  $0 \rightarrow X_1$ , to obtain pressure distribution curve  $p$  as shown by thick lines in Fig. 7. At the same time, determining rolling load  $P$ , radius  $R'$  of roll with elastic strain is obtained from Eq. (4). From  $R'$  and Eq. (5), new projected contact length  $X'$  is determined, and with this the above calculation is repeated in the same way. By repeating these trial calculations,  $X'$ ,  $R'$ ,  $p$  and  $P$  converge to finite values, which are solutions of Karman's differential equation.

A flow chart for the automatic program and time chart for its control process are given below.

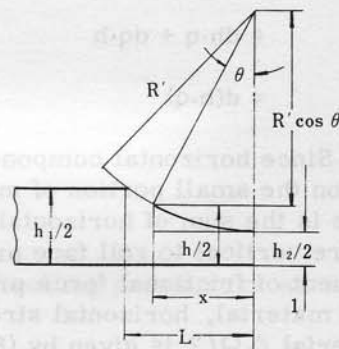


Fig. 6 Deformation Process of Material

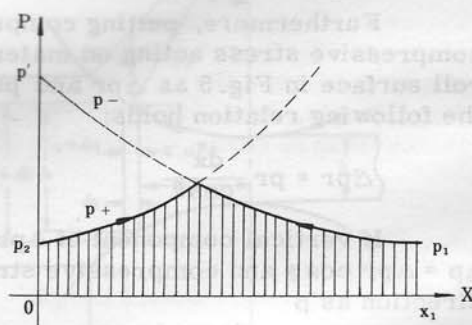


Fig. 7. Pressure distribution

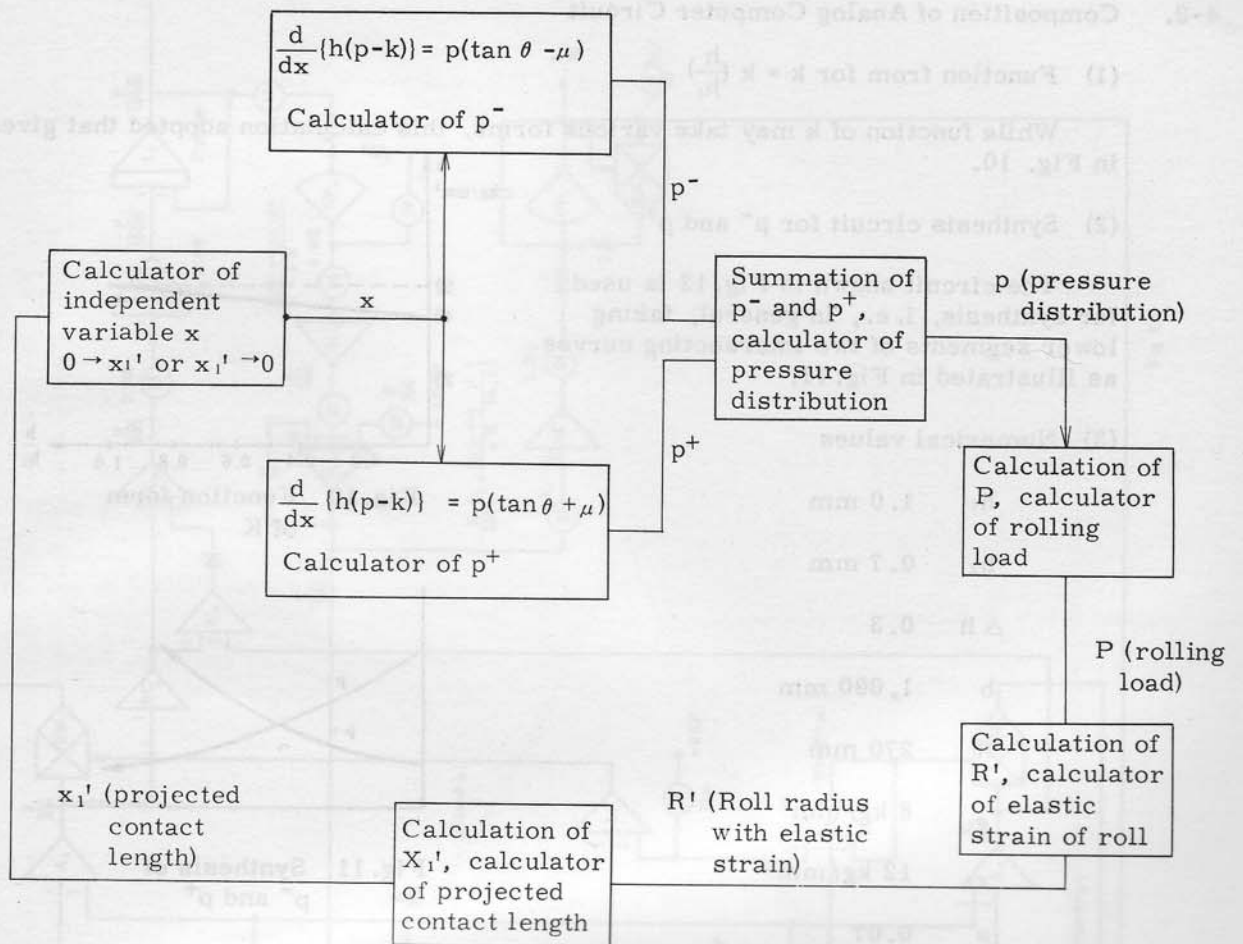


Fig. 8 Automatic Program System

X - calculator	Calculate $X_1' \rightarrow 0$	HOLD at $X = 0$	Calculate $0 \rightarrow X_1'$	Rest	Rest
$p^-$ -calculator	Calculate in reversed time from $X = X_1'$	HOLD at $X = 0$	Calculate in normal time from $X = 0$	Rest	Rest
$p^+$ -calculator	Rest	Rest	Calculate in normal time from $X = 0$	Rest	Rest
p-calculator	Rest	Rest	Calculate	Rest	Rest
P-calculator	Rest	Rest	Calculate	HOLD	Rest
$R'$ -calculator	Rest	Rest	Calculate	HOLD	Rest
$X_1'$ -calculator	HOLD	HOLD	HOLD	Calculate	HOLD

Fig. 9 Control Process at the Program Controller

4-2. Composition of Analog Computer Circuit

(1) Function from for  $k = k \left(\frac{h}{h_1}\right)$

While function of  $k$  may take various forms, this calculation adopted that given in Fig. 10.

(2) Synthesis circuit for  $p^-$  and  $p^+$

The circuit shown in Fig. 12 is used for synthesis, i.e., in general, taking lower segments of two intersecting curves as illustrated in Fig. 11.

(3) Numerical values

- $h_1$  1.0 mm
- $h_2$  0.7 mm
- $\Delta h$  0.3
- $b$  1,000 mm
- $R$  270 mm
- $\sigma_1$  8 kg/mm<sup>2</sup>
- $\sigma_2$  12 kg/mm<sup>2</sup>
- $\mu$  0.07
- $E$   $2.1 \times 10^4$  kg/mm<sup>2</sup>
- $\nu$  0.3

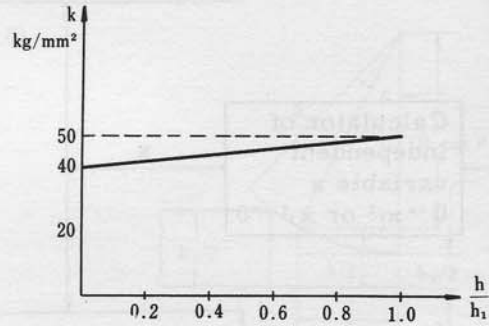


Fig. 10 Function form of K

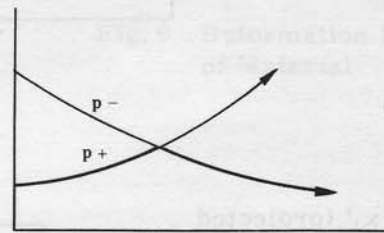


Fig. 11 Synthesis of p⁻ and p⁺

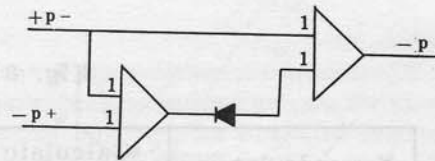


Fig. 12 Circuit for Synthesis

(4) Block diagram of analog computer

Block diagram of the analog computer is given in Fig. 13, in which there are five integrators controlled separately by the sequence shown in Fig. 14.

Control time	3 ~ 5 sec.	X₁' sec/mm	3 ~ 5 sec	X₁' sec/mm	3 ~ 5 sec
Integrator in A-group	RESET	COMPUTE	HOLD	COMPUTE	RESET
Integrator in B-group	RESET	RESET	RESET	COMPUTE	RESET
Integrator in C-group	RESET	RESET	RESET	COMPUTE	HOLD
Integrator in D-group	HOLD	HOLD	HOLD	HOLD	COMPUTE
Action of relay K₁	OFF	OFF	ON	ON	OFF

Fig. 14 Operation control sequence for program controller



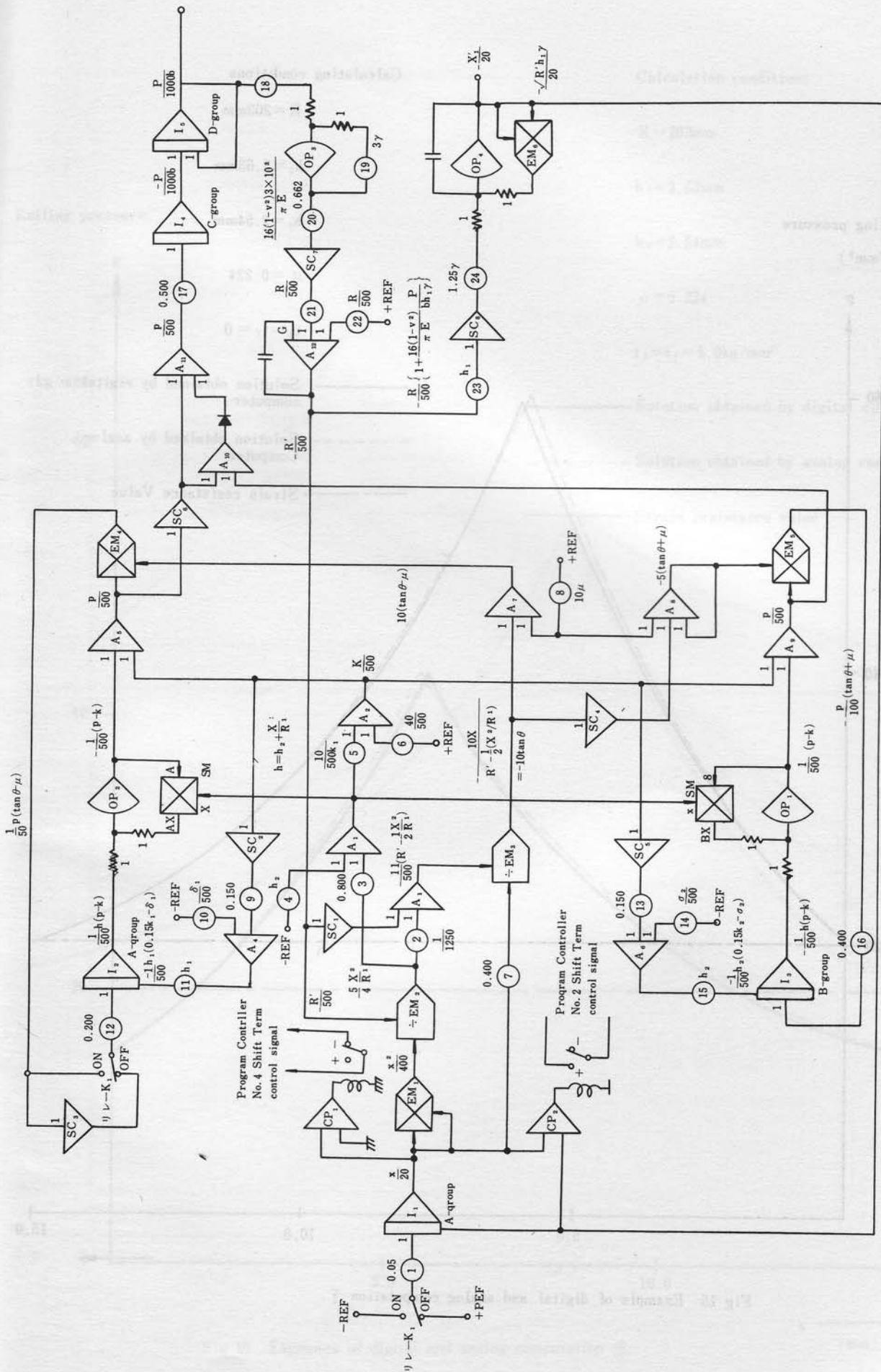


Fig 13



Rolling proussure  
(kg/mm<sup>2</sup>)

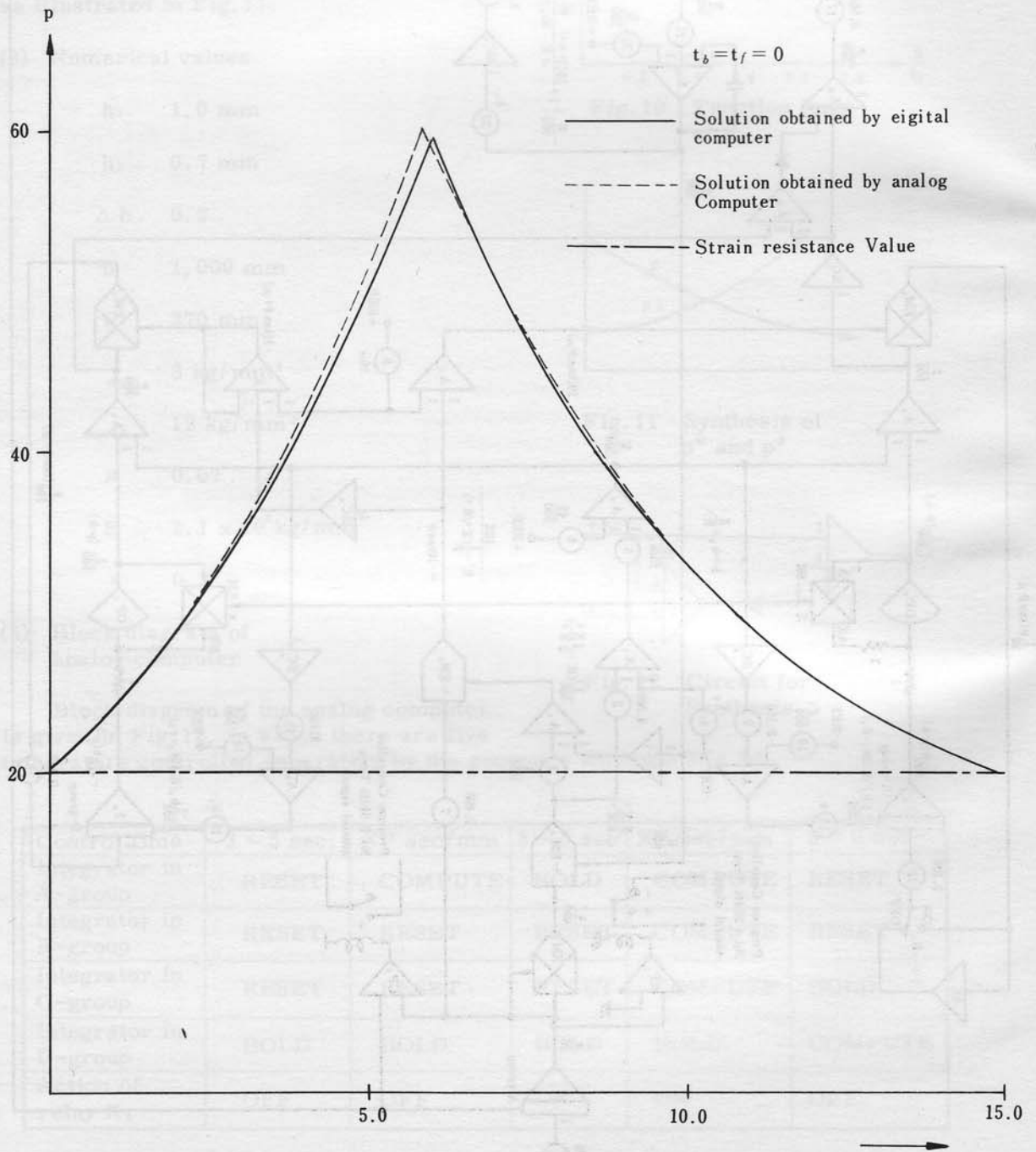


Fig 15 Examples of digital and analog computation ①

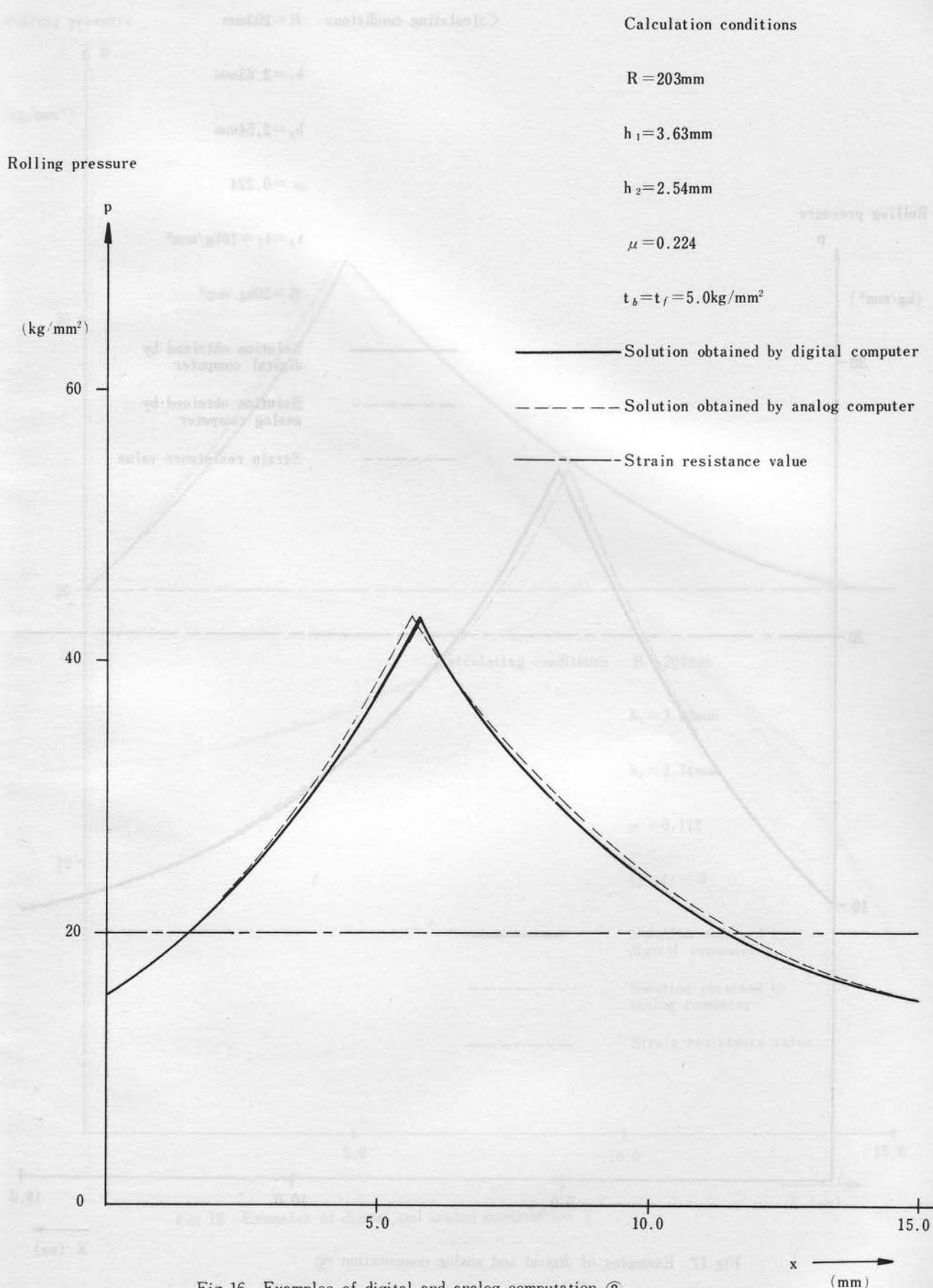


Fig 16 Examples of digital and analog computation ②

Calculating conditions  $R = 203\text{mm}$

$h_1 = 3.63\text{mm}$

$h_2 = 2.54\text{mm}$

$\mu = 0.224$

$t_b = t_f = 10\text{kg/mm}^2$

$S = 20\text{kg/mm}^2$

Rolling pressure

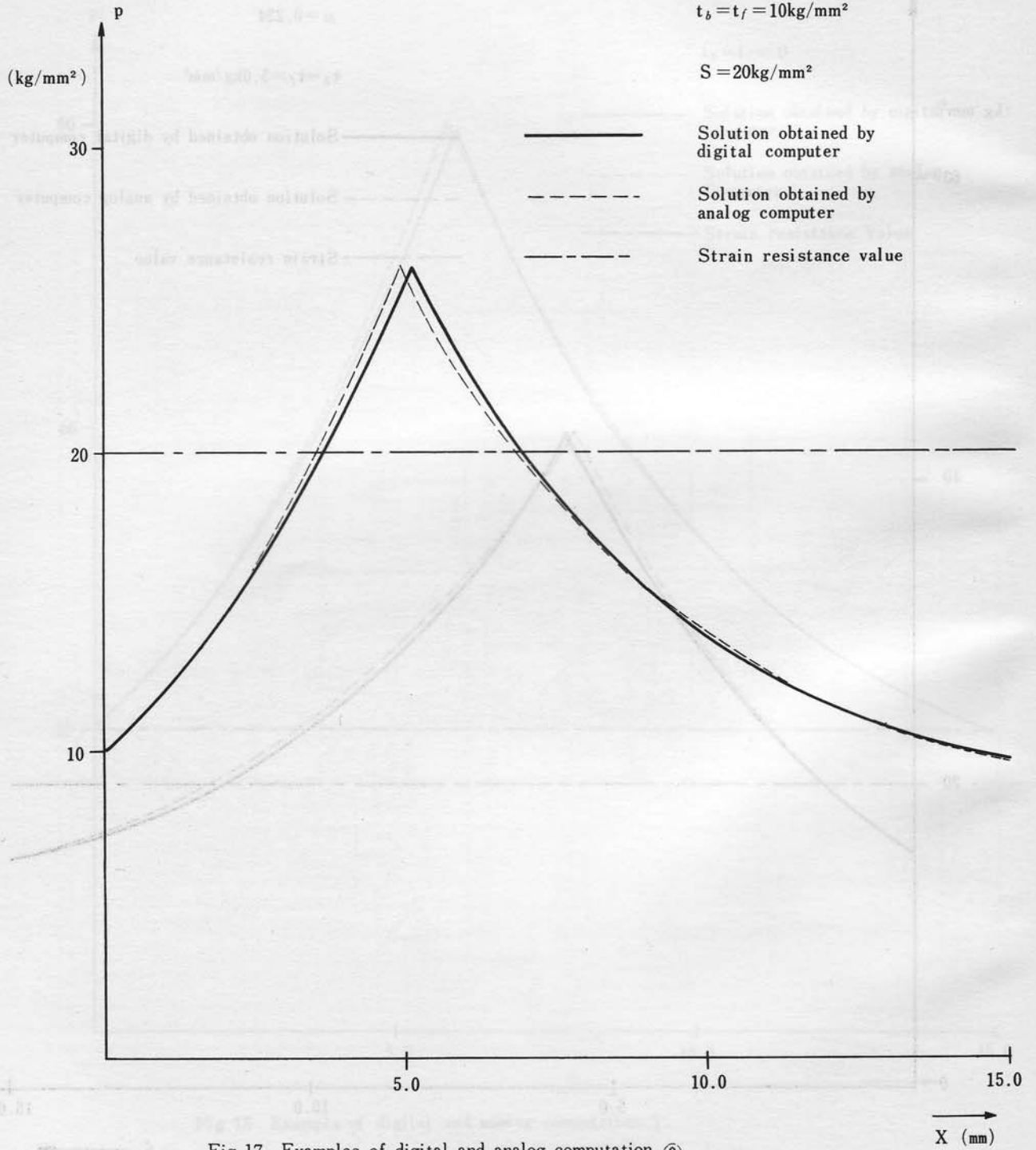


Fig 17 Examples of digital and analog computation (3)



Rolling pressure

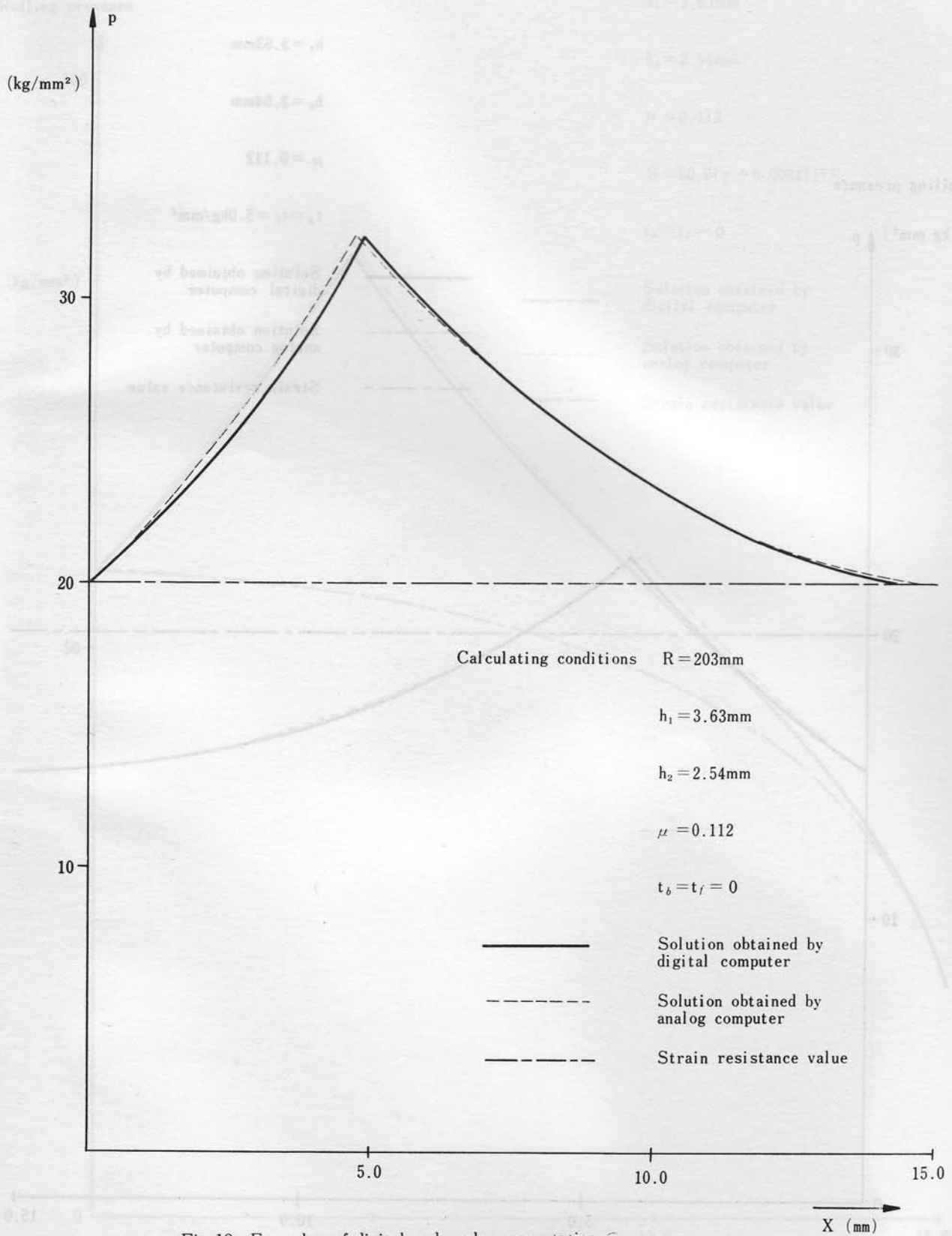


Fig 18 Examples of digital and analog computation 4

Calculating conditions  $R = 203\text{mm}$

$h_1 = 3.63\text{mm}$

$h_2 = 2.54\text{mm}$

$\mu = 0.112$

$t_b = t_f = 5.0\text{kg/mm}^2$

Rolling pressure

( $\text{kg mm}^2$ )  $p$

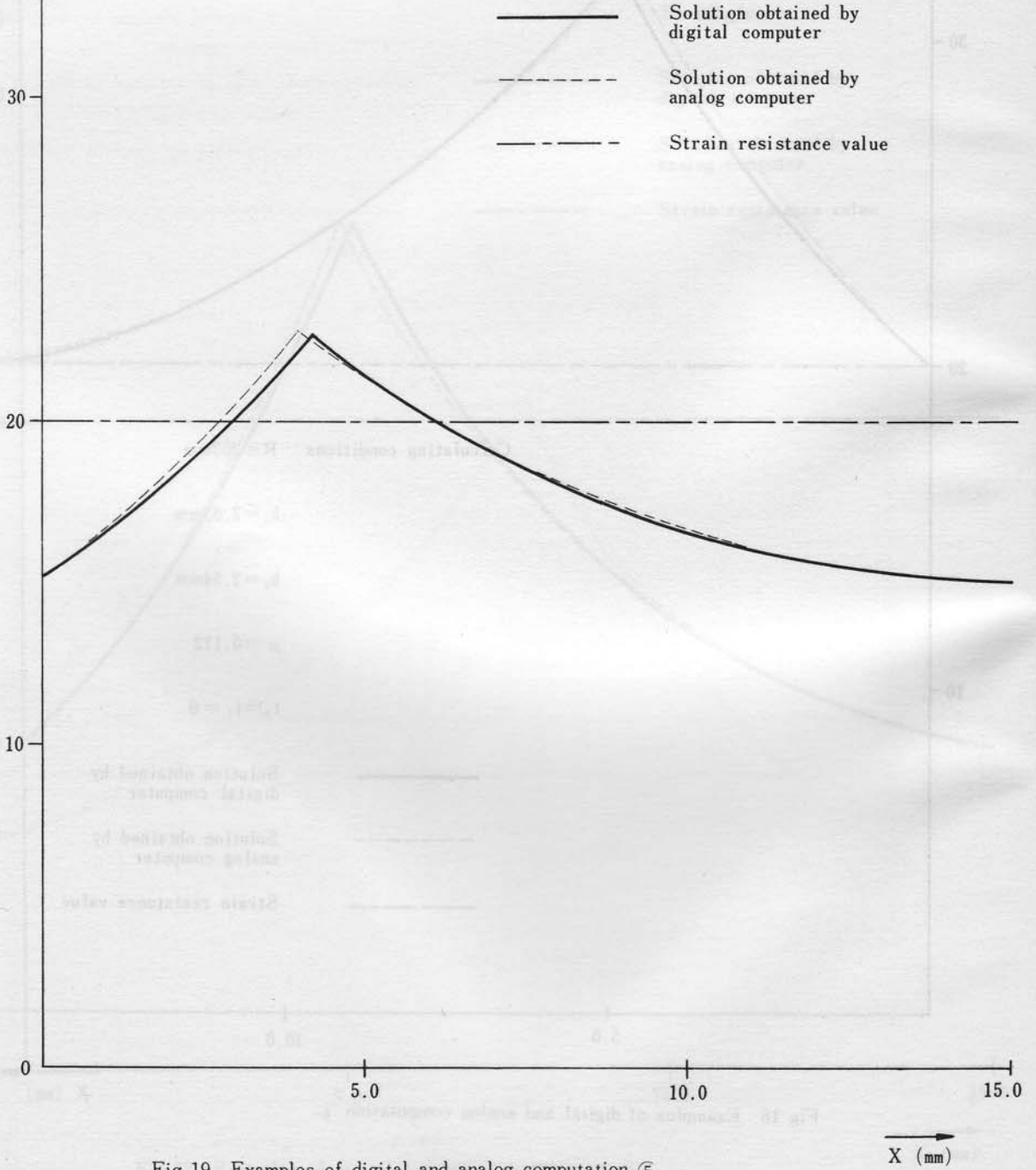


Fig 19 Examples of digital and analog computation ⑤

Calculating conditions  $R = 203\text{mm}$

$h_1 = 3.63\text{mm}$

$h_2 = 2.54\text{mm}$

$\mu = 0.112$

$S = 80.0(\gamma + 0.00817)^{0.3}$

$t_6 = t_f = 0$

Rolling pressure

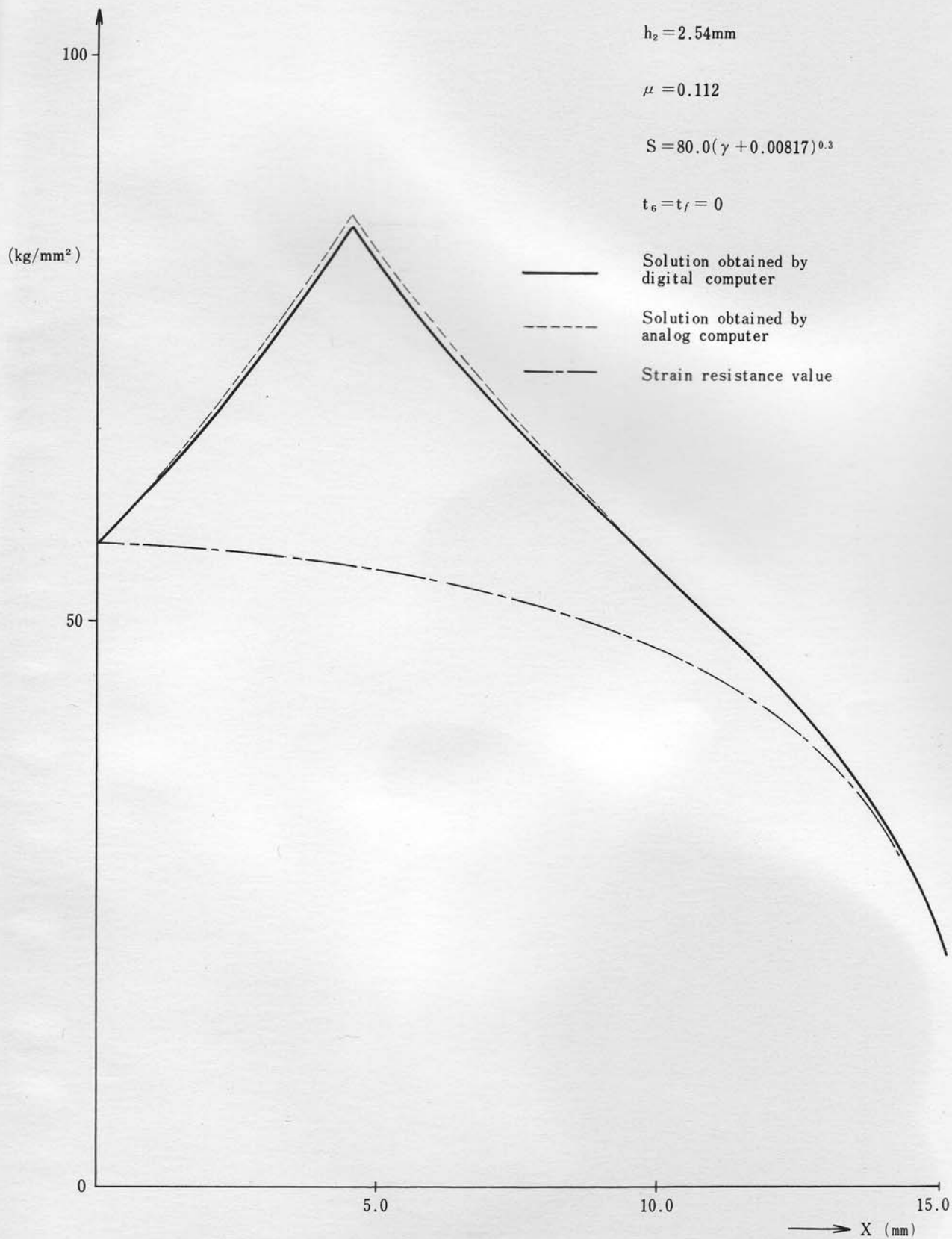


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