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1 30 - 2 00	Gas Isotope Study, Siberia Ridge Field	Martin Schoell Chevron Petroleum Technology
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2 35 - 3:05	Anomalous Pressured Gas Accumulations in Cretaceous Rocks in Laramide Basins of Wyoming A New Class of Hydrocarbon Accumulation	Ronald Surdam Institute for Energy Research
3:05 - 3:20	BREAK (Core Poster Session)	
3:20 - 3:50	Two Processes Leading to Overpressurization: Examples from Rocky Mountain Laramide and Gulf Coast Basins	Henry Heasler Institute for Energy Research
3 50 - 4 20	Restimulation Results in the Frontier Formation, LaBarge Platform	Connie Jump Enron Oil and Gas Scott Reeves ARI
4 20 - 4 50	An Update on Air Quality Issues in Southwest Wyoming	Curtis Rueter Radian International

Natural Fracturing in Horizontal Core Near a Fault Zone: The Rock Island Unit #4-H Well, Green River Basin, WY

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ABSTRACT

Approximately 76 natural fractures are present in 78.2 ft of near-horizontal, 2 5/8" core taken from the Rock Island Unit #4-H well. Fracture spacings vary significantly along the length of the cores: the maximum length of unfractured core is 3.8 ft in core #3, compared to a maximum of 16.9 ft of unfractured core in the contiguous cores #1 and 2. Minimum fracture spacing in all cores is less than an inch.

Two sets of fractures are present:

3. The oldest fractures are the numerically dominant set, and strike generally east-west, with strikes ranging between 50-120 degrees but strongly concentrated between 80-110 degrees.
4. A less numerous, younger set of extension fractures strikes approximately north-south, between 0 and 10 degrees.

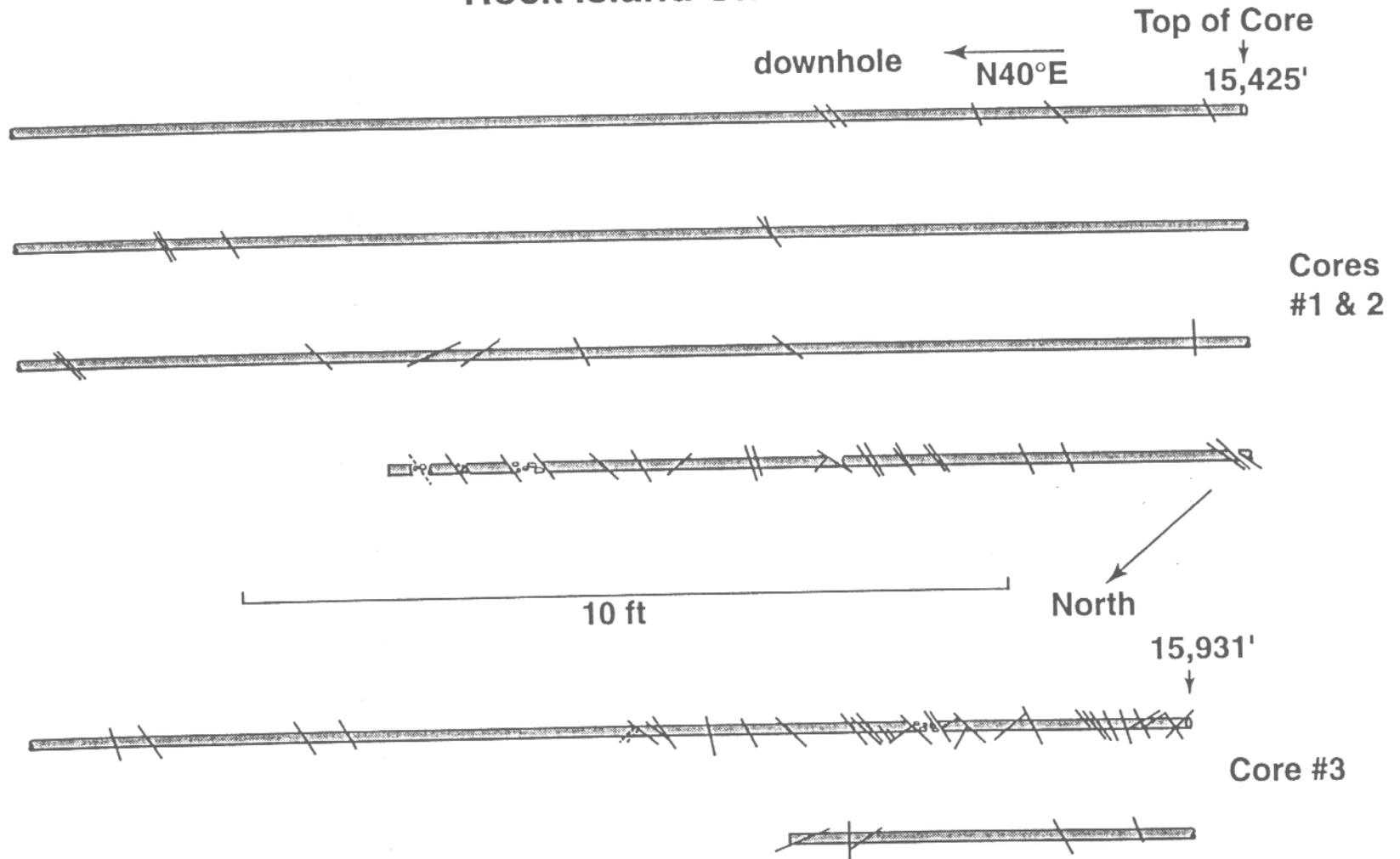
The east-west fracture set is typically mineralized with a quartz druze, a black, bituminous lining, and a late, patchy to thick, white to tan kaolinite layer. The younger, north-south fractures are mineralized with quartz druze having a larger and clearer crystal habit than that found on the east-west fractures, and local patches of late calcite.

About a third of the fractures of the east-west set have been reactivated by right-lateral to oblique shear (primary shear would be found on all of the fractures of this set). The shear typically indicates that rock on the southern side of the fracture has moved westward, and possibly down relative to rock north of the fracture.

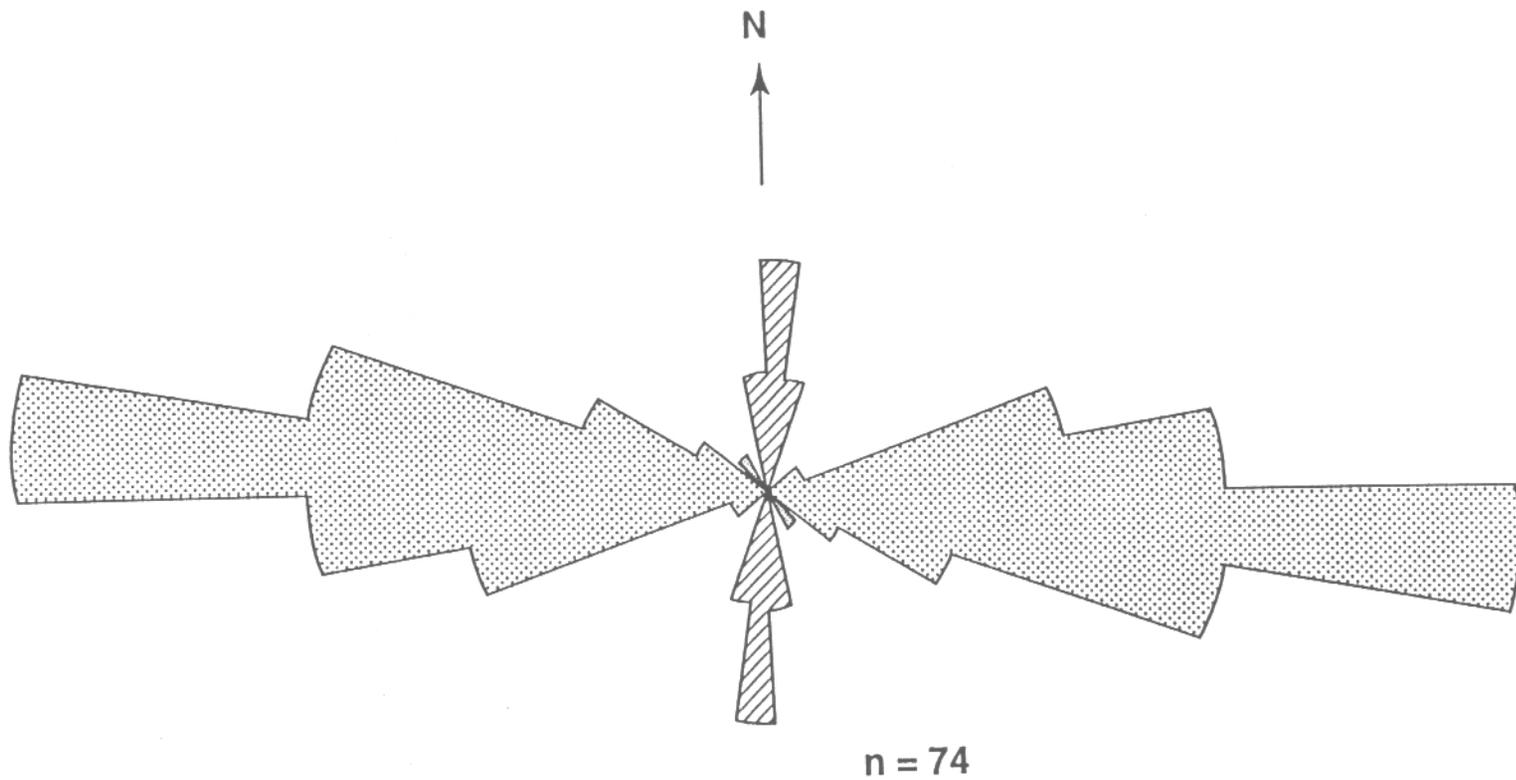
The preliminary interpretation is that the east-west fractures formed first, in response to overpressured conditions, and were reactivated later during local thrust faulting. The north-south extension fractures may be contemporaneous with reactivation of the first set, related to extension over the crest of the thrust-related flexure.

About half of the fractures of both sets have obvious remnant open aperture despite mineralization and should be good permeability pathways at virgin reservoir conditions. No coring-induced fractures have been found in these horizontal cores, thus the in situ stress orientations and magnitudes, which should have important effects on the conductivity of the fractures, are unknown. One-inch plugs taken along and across the fractures suggest that system permeability is enhanced by a factor of about 2 parallel to the east-west fractures, but that the north-south fractures do not significantly affect the reservoir permeability. The plugs also suggest that permeability is not degraded from matrix values in the directions across either fracture set.

Plan-View Schematic of Fractures in Horizontal Cores, Rock Island Unit #4-H

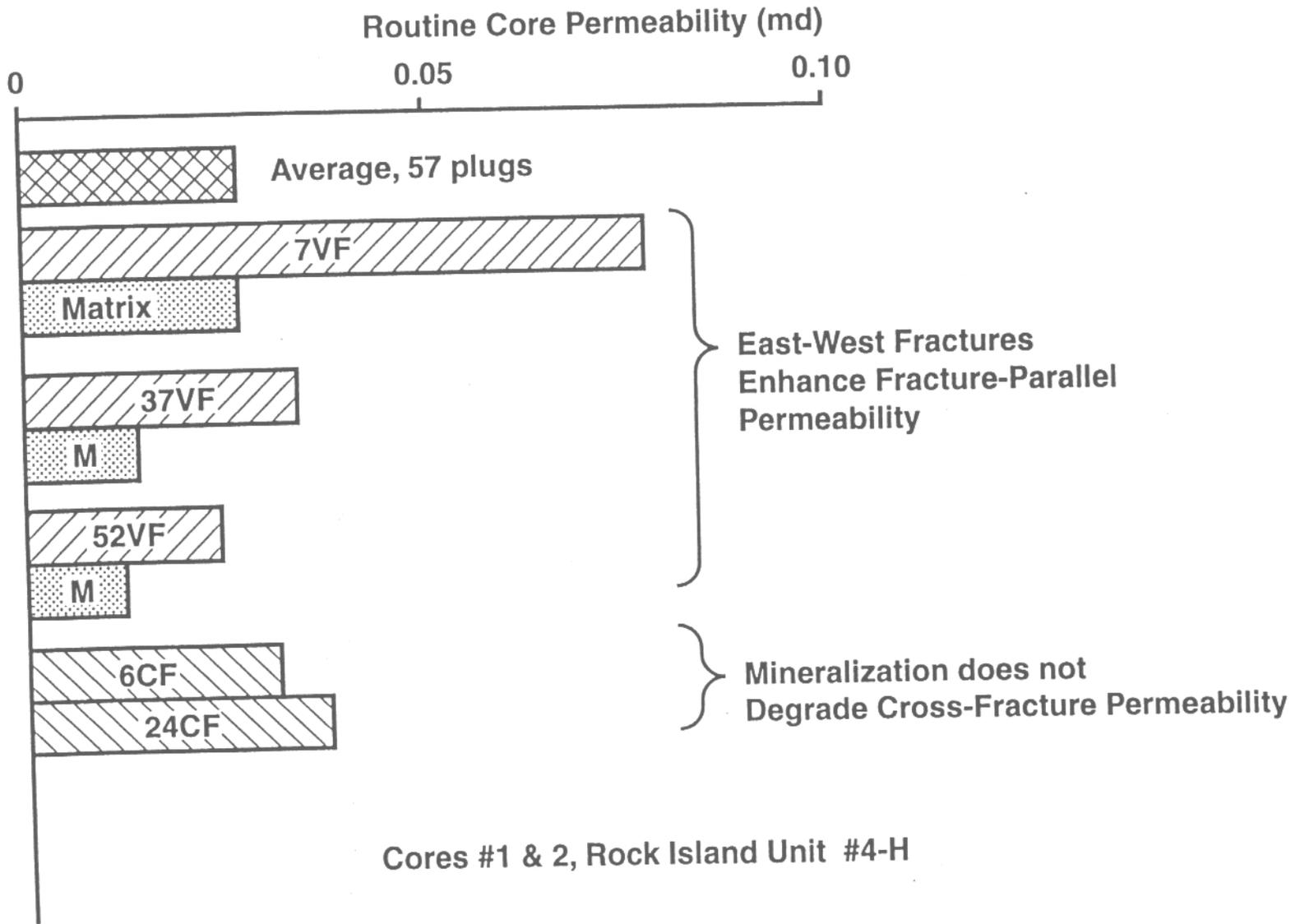


All Natural Fractures in Core, Rock Island Unit #4-H

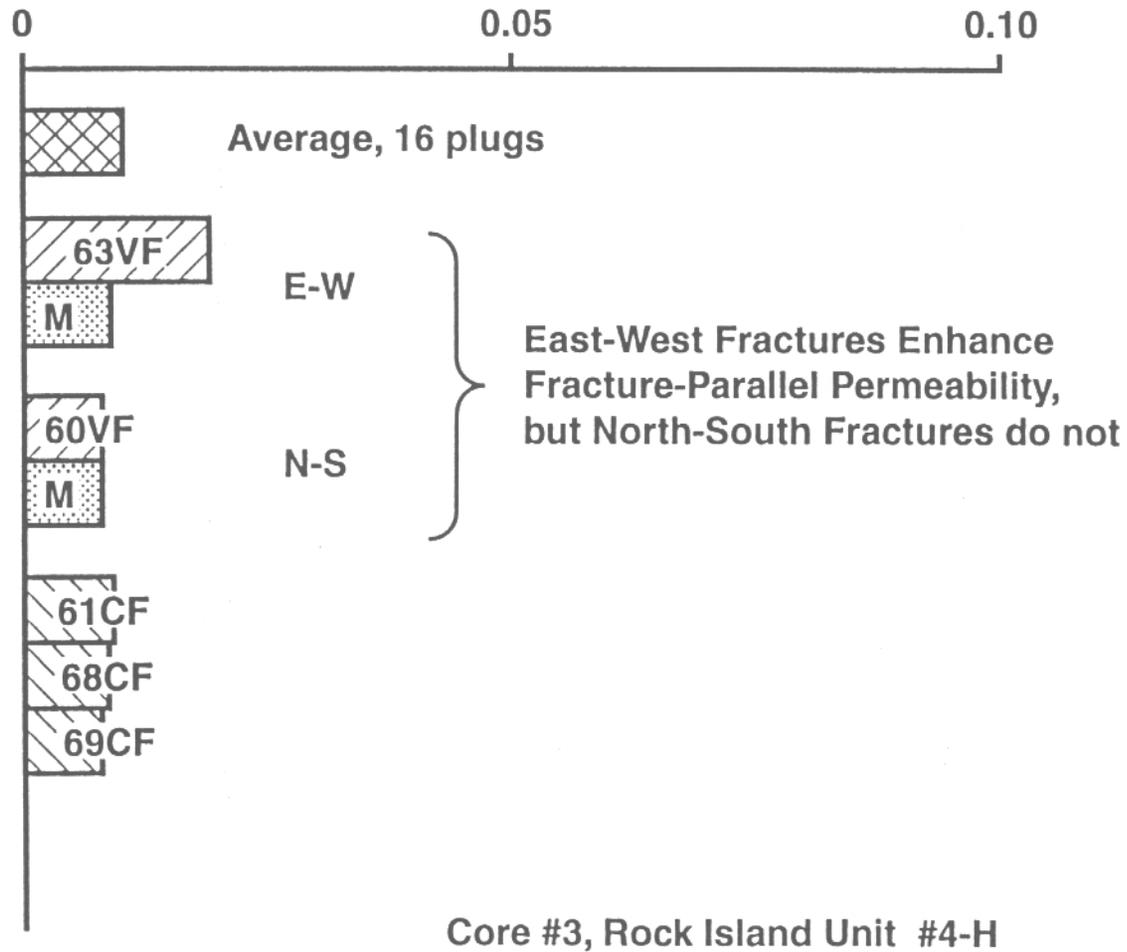


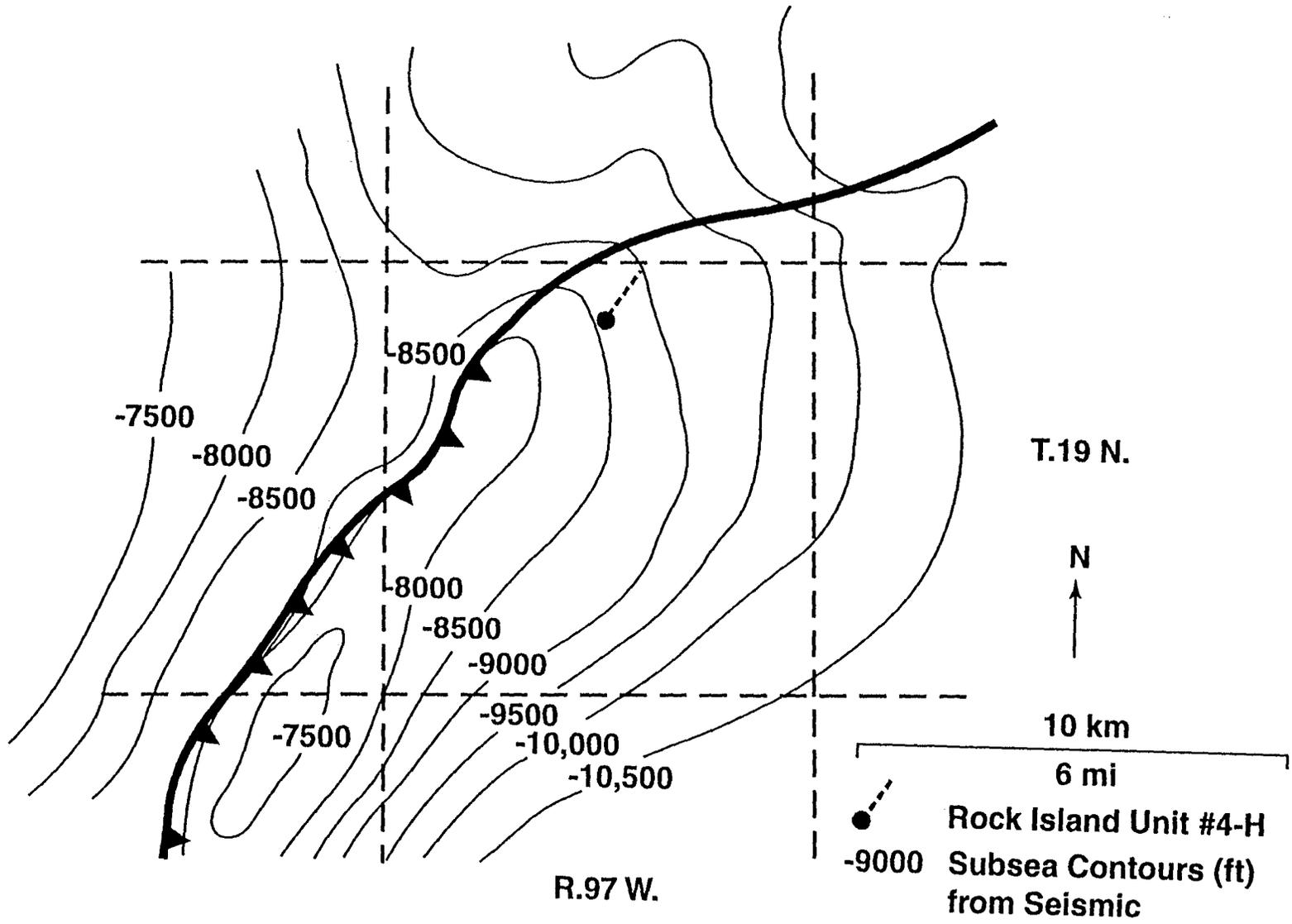
Sequence of Fracture Formation in the Frontier Sandstone, Rock Island Unit #4-H

- 1. Deep burial, overpressuring, and east-west fracturing**
- 2. Overmaturation of hydrocarbon to bitumen**
- 3. Mineralization of fractures with quartz druze**
- 4. Mineralization of fractures with kaolinite**
- 5. Thrust faulting and associated reactivation of east-west fractures in strike-slip or oblique-slip shear**
- 6. Formation of north-south fractures**
- 7. Mineralization of north-south fractures with quartz druze and later calcite**



Routine Core Permeability (md)

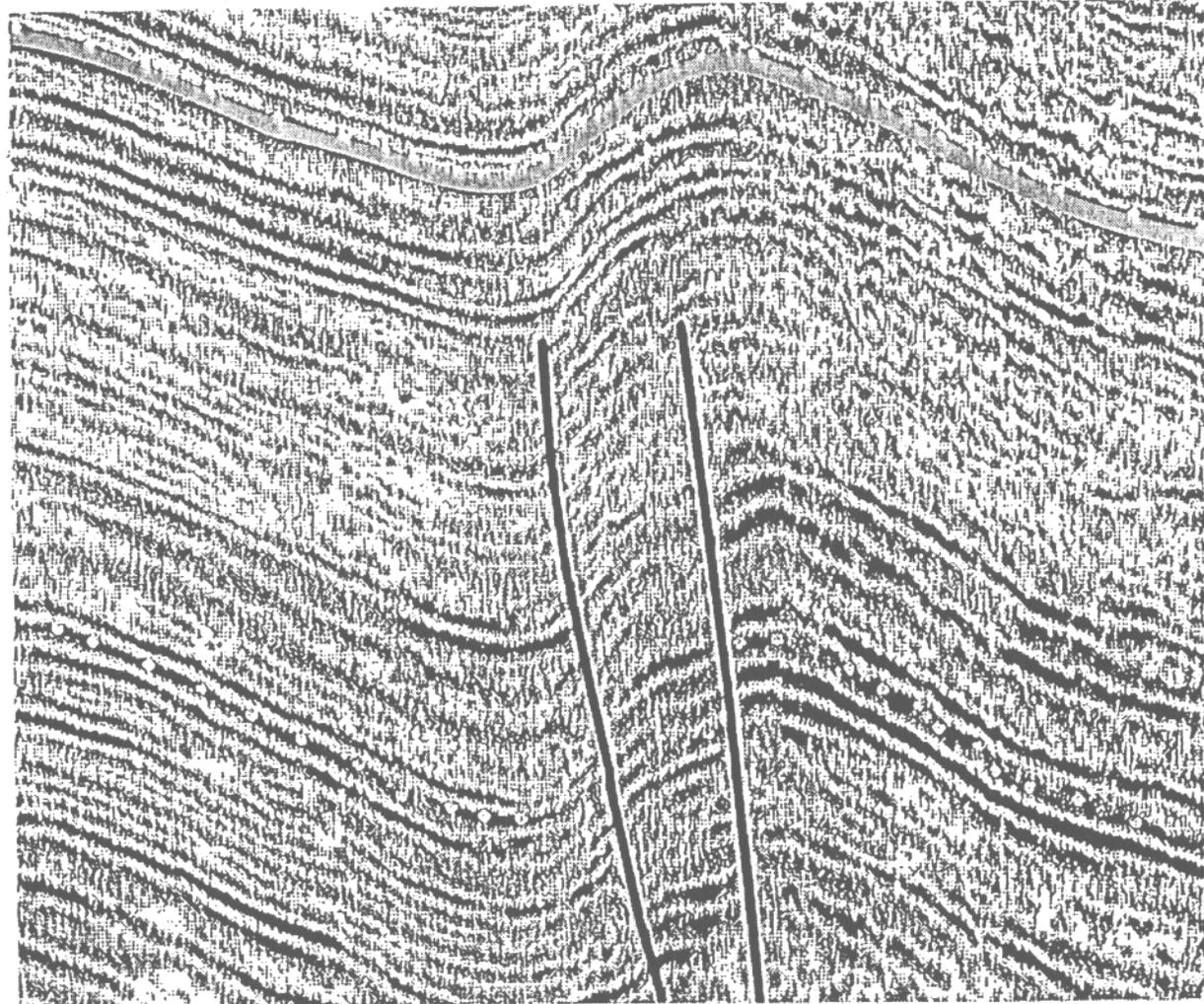




Seismic Section Across Table Rock Structure

West

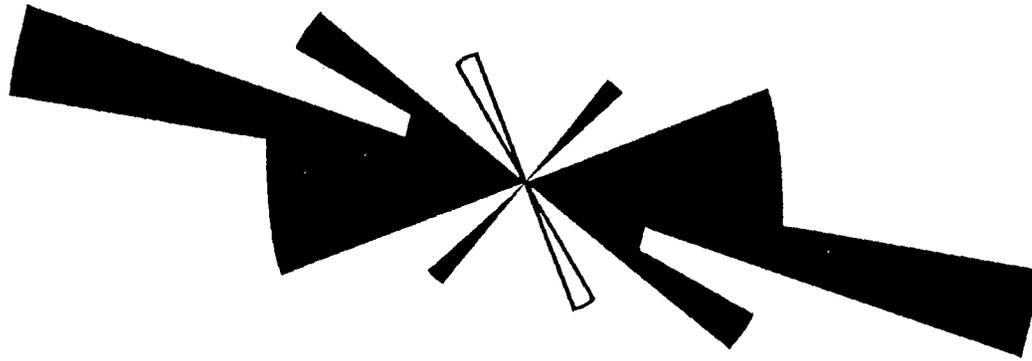
East



Frontier



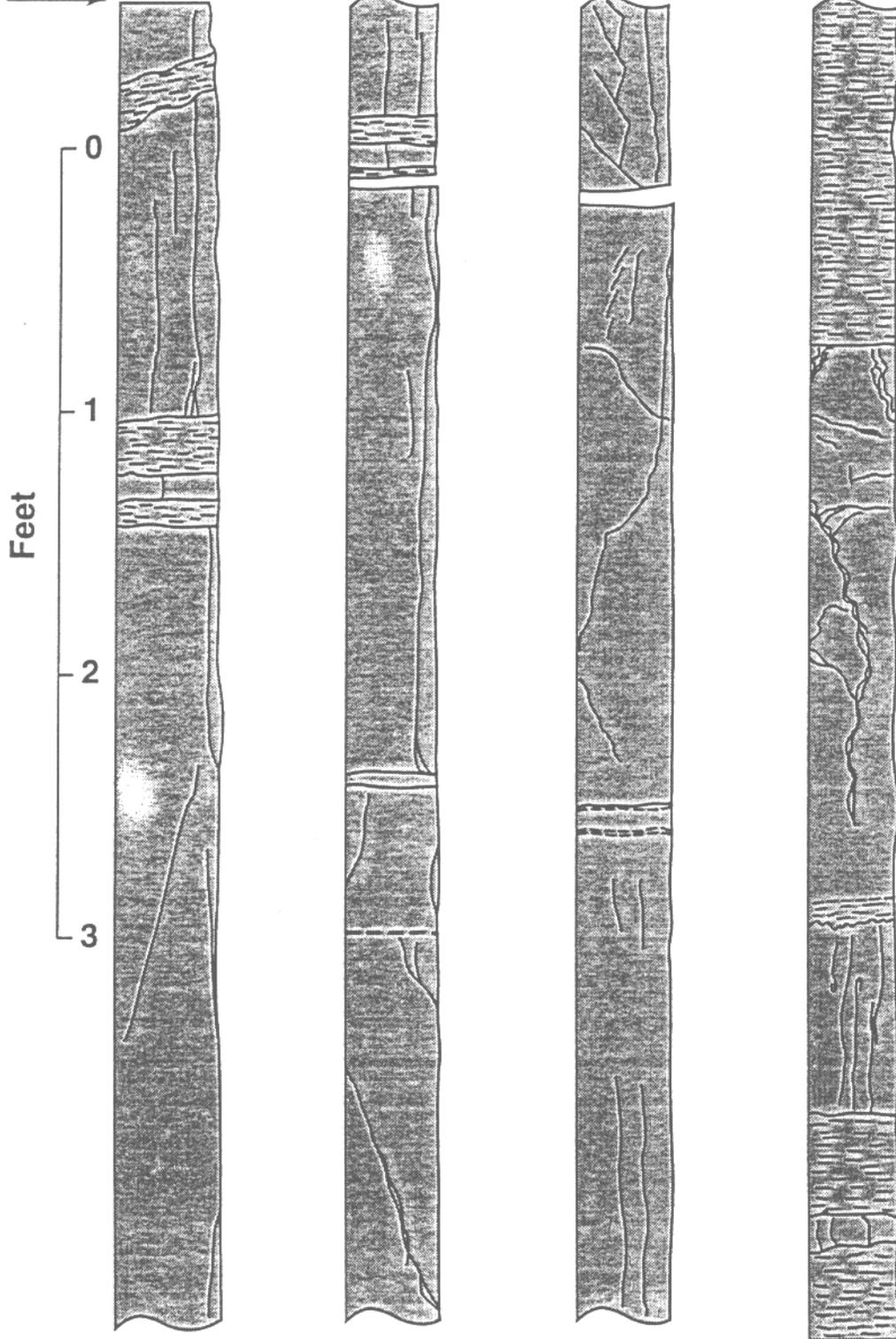
**Fractures in Table Rock #104
(28 ft of Vertical Frontier Core)**



n = 13

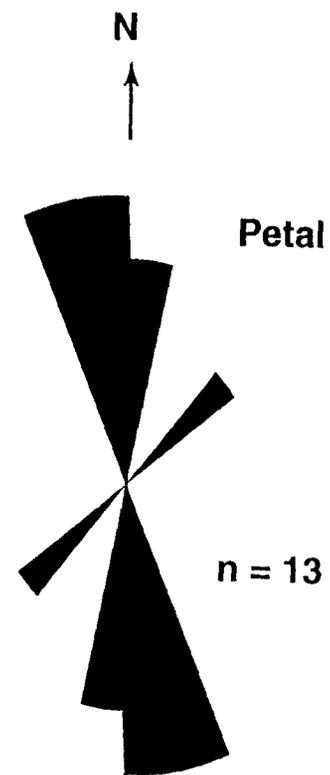
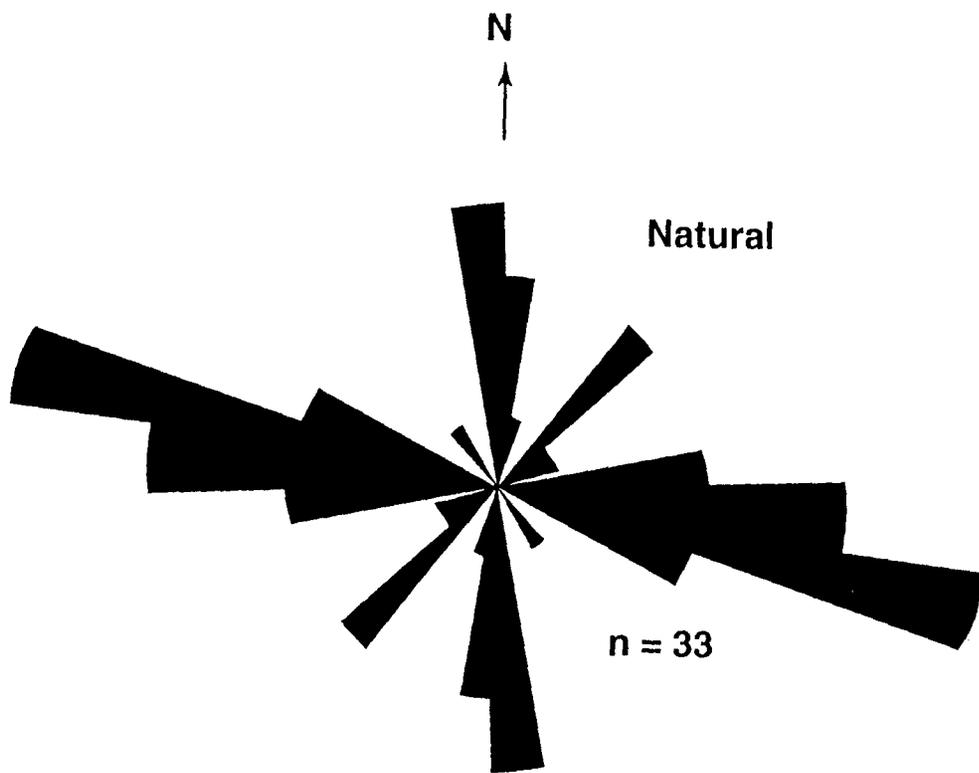
Fractures in the Government Union #4 Core

Top of
Core:
14,522'

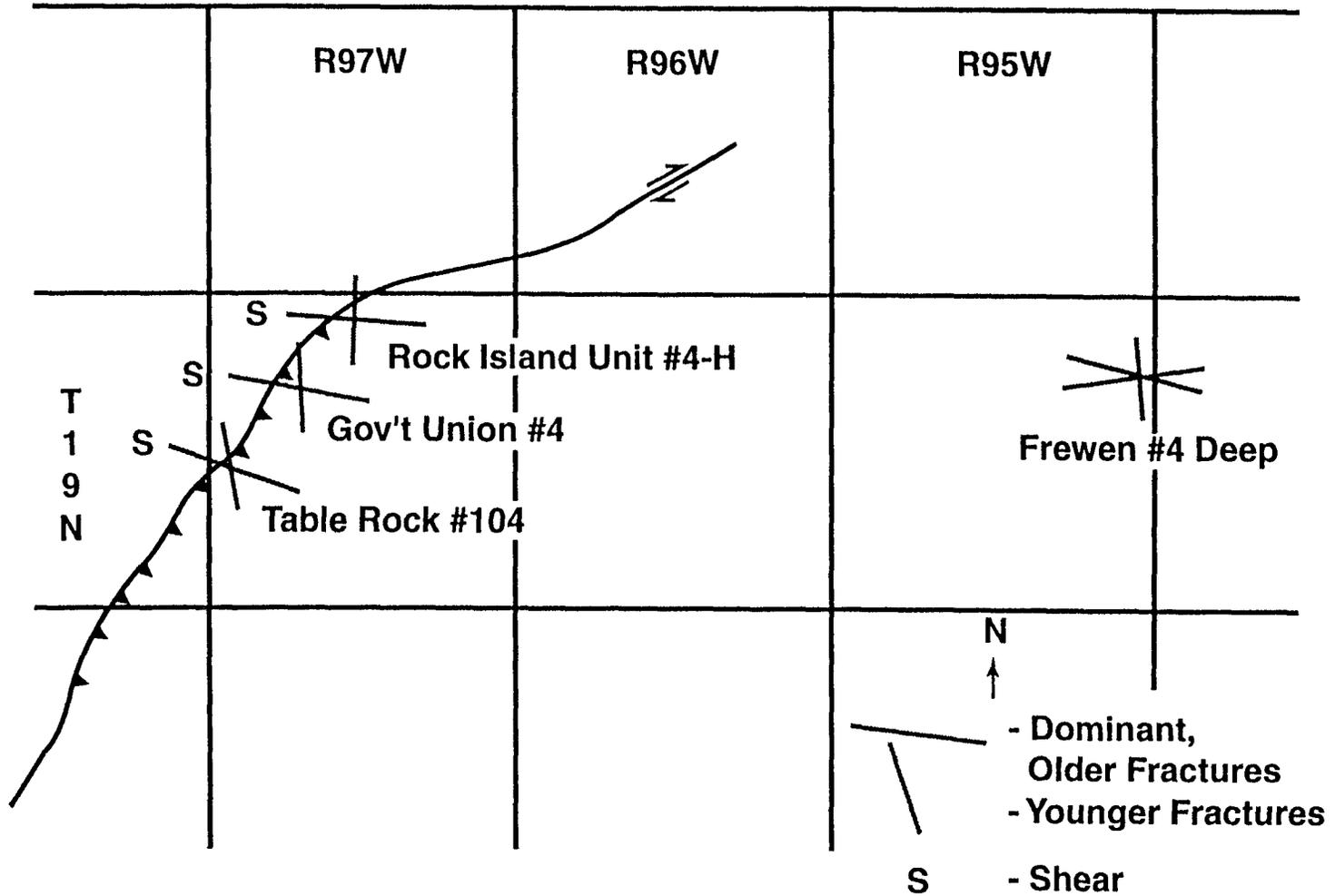


Fractures in Vertical Core, Gov't Union #4

Maximum Horizontal Stress is Normal to the Dominant Fracture Set



Generalized Fracture Trends



COMPARISON OF FRACTURE HISTORY IN THREE WELLS

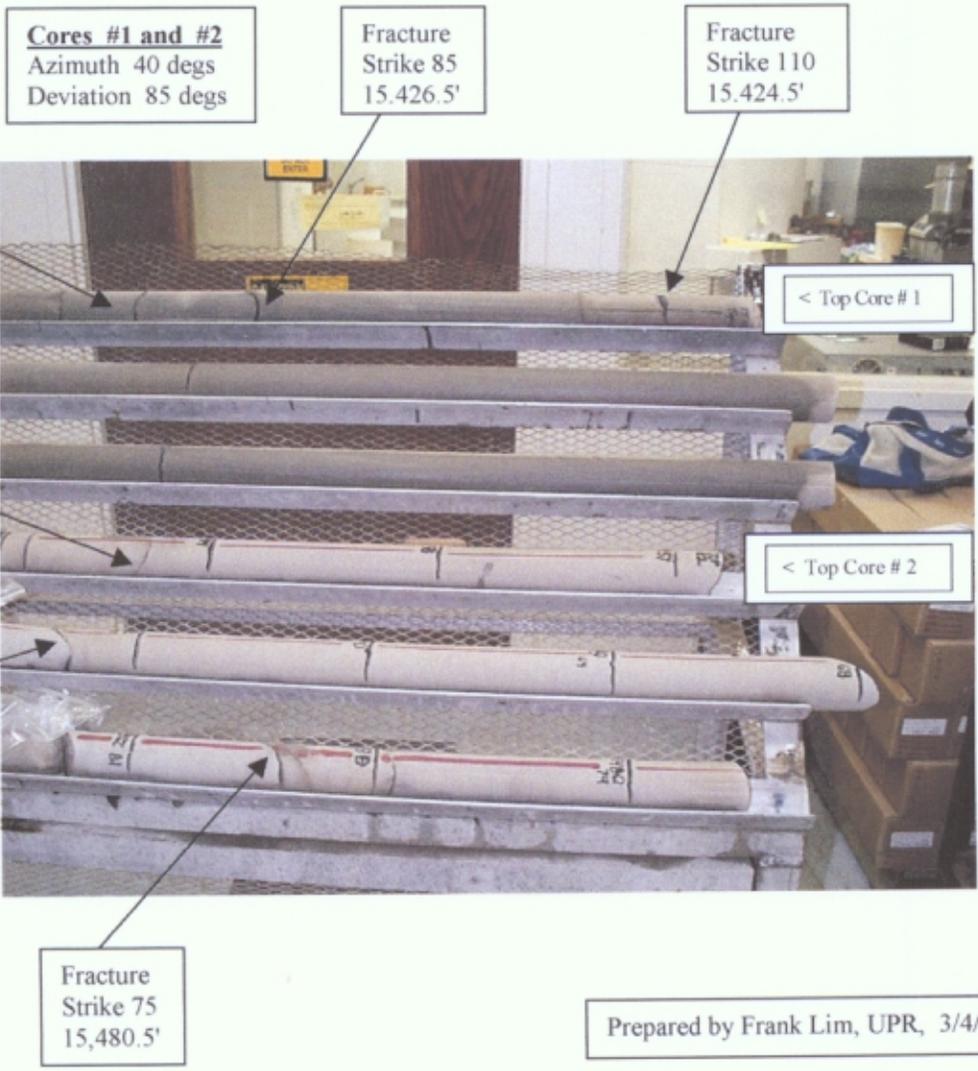
<u>Rock Island #4-H</u>	<u>Government Union #4</u>	<u>Frewen #4 Deep</u>
1. Deep burial, overpressuring, and east-west fracturing X	X	X ¹
2. Overmaturation of hydrocarbon to bitumen X	X	X
3. Mineralization of fractures with quartz druze X	X	X
4. Mineralization of fractures with kaolinite X	X	-
5. Thrust faulting and associated reactivation of east-west fractures in strike-slip or oblique-slip shear X	X	-
6. Formation of north-south fractures X	X	X
7. Mineralization of north-south fractures with quartz druze and later calcite X	X	X

¹Frontier sandstones in the Frewen area underwent second east-west fracture event, separated from first by vertical pressure solution

ROCK ISLAND 4H, HORIZONTAL CORE, NATURAL FRACTURE DESCRIPTIONS

PERFORMED BY JOHN LORENZ (SANDIA NATIONAL LAB)

ATTACHED REPORTS: CORE #1 & #2 (JANUARY 21, 1999) and CORE #3 (JANUARY 25, 1999)



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January 21, 1999

To Tom Mroz, USDOE
Frank Lim, UPRC

From John Lorenz, SNL

Subject Fractures in cores 1 & 2, Rock Island #4-H, Sweetwater Co , WY

Fifty-eight feet of horizontal core from the Rock Island #4-H well were examined at the TerraTek laboratory on January 18-19. Approximately forty natural fractures are present in this core, the exact number of fractures varying with whether the individual fractures of a closely spaced swarm are counted or not and on how the fracture indications within rubble zones are counted. Fractures are concentrated most heavily within the second core. Changes in fracture frequency and in the fracture characteristics suggest that the core approaches a structure, perhaps a fault.

Two sets of fractures are present. The dominant fracture set strikes east-west, with strikes ranging between 50-120 degrees but strongly concentrated between 80-110 degrees. Fractures of the dominant set appear to be mineralized with an early phase of fine quartz druze and a late phase of kaolinite. Characteristically there is also an intermediate phase consisting of an unidentified black substance that coats the fracture surfaces. If analogy with the previously studied Frewen well core is appropriate, this black substance may be organic carbon derived from over-mature oil. The black material is absent from some of the fractures lower in the core.

About half of the fractures of the dominant set show horizontal to sub-horizontal lineations indicative of strike-slip to oblique-slip shear, always right-lateral where shear sense can be determined.

The core has split along the fracture planes in most instances making fracture aperture impossible to measure, although 0.25-0.5 mm would be in the ballpark estimate. Most fracture planes are very rough, limiting the effective apertures even where mineralization is incomplete. Multiple mineralization phases suggest that drilling and stimulation fluids should be chosen carefully.

A minor, secondary set of fractures consists of four or five calcite-mineralized fractures that strike approximately north-south, between 0 and 10 degrees. At least three of these fractures are healed completely, with no remnant aperture.

1/18/99
Rock Island Unit #4-11, Wyo

sub-surface
County,



22-141 50 SHEETS
22-142 100 SHEETS
22-144 200 SHEETS

Azimuth 43° Deviation 88°

1/6

29

28

27

26

25

← 40' az.

15424' MD

27.5
strike 108°
dip 80° to N (trim)
black surf of thick, low limit
faint horiz slicks -
irreg surface suggests
mammal offset

26.55
strike 85°
dip 78° to N
Black surface w/ patches low limit
2+ strands max 1/2" apart
horiz slickantline

15424.5' top of core
Strike 110° trim core
dip 70° to NW & imple
RL shales,
sub horiz.
Black Surf
mm-scale rock
inclusions

34

33

32

31

30

15429

Intact
Rock
across F 2

Continuous frt
top core to 35.5
Rubble 35.5-56.0
Core catches hits 56.0 to base of core @ 56.8

29.4, 29.2
est 1/4mm
aperture
strike 80°
black-line
(others probably
also but
not open)
minor splay
each side
of main F

* NF depths based on position @ time down

1/18/97
Rock Island Unit #4-11, WYO

Subsidiary
County,



22-141 50 SHEETS
22-147 100 SHEETS
22-144 200 SHEETS

Azimuth 40° Deviation 88°

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39

38

37

36

35

15834

44

43

42

41

40

39

1/18/99
Rock Island Unit #4-11, WYO
Sweetwater
County,



22-141 50 SHEETS
22-142 100 SHEETS
22-144 200 SHEETS

Azimuth 40° Deviation 88°

49

48

47

Intact

46

Intact - obscure
intersect below?

45

15444

46.35

46.25

Strike 93°

108° strike

Intact/obscure -
intersect above

dip 75° to N

black surface - local patchwork, possible underlying black

oblique strike - dip 40° to W

54

53

52

51

50

49

53.35

Strike 98°

dip 80° to N

black surf w patches in steep shadows

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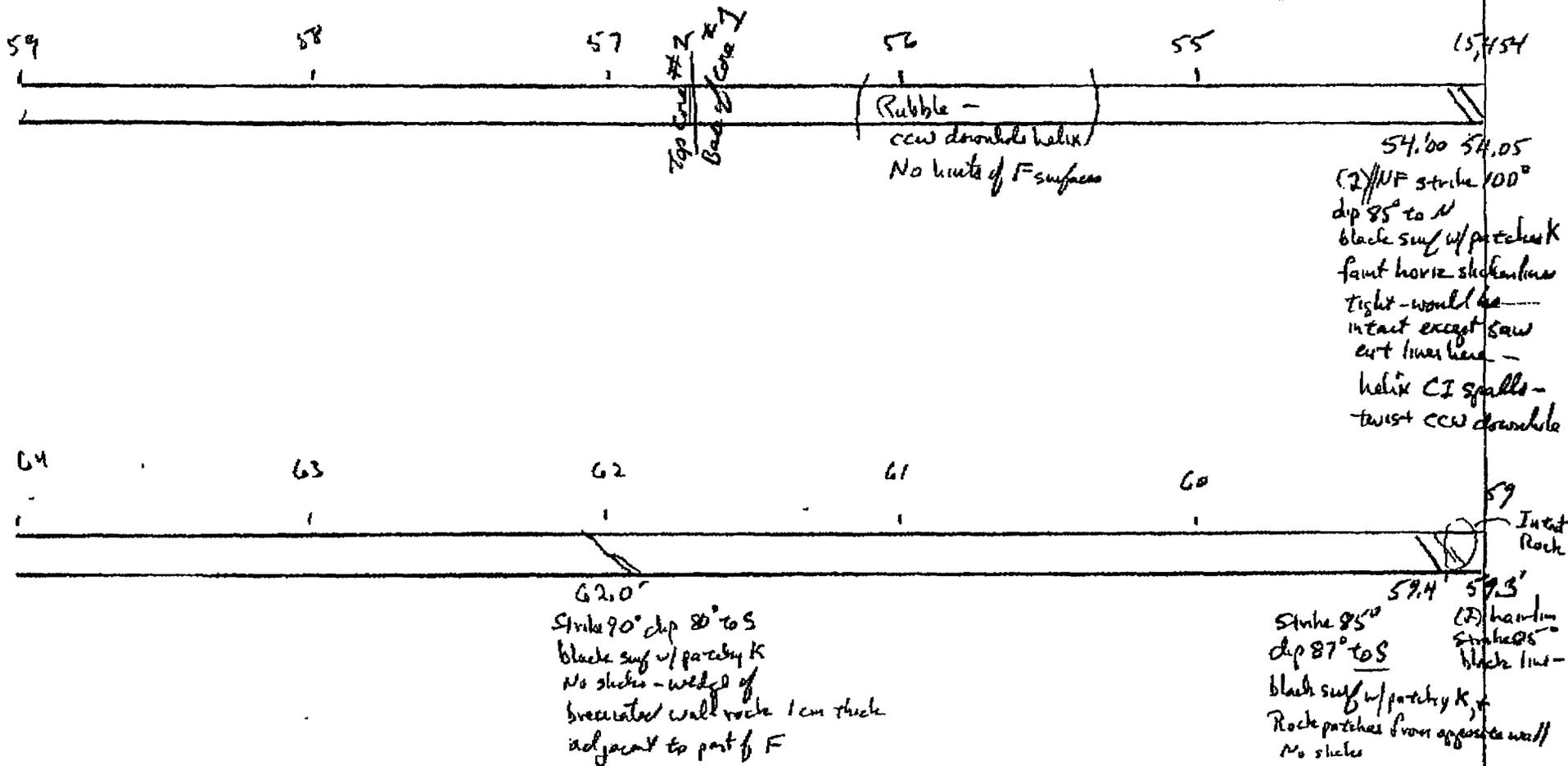
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Rock Island Unit #4-11 Wyo
Teton County,



22-141 50 SHEETS
22-142 100 SHEETS
22-144 200 SHEETS

Azimuth 40° Deviation 88°

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Post covering
well how strikes
deviation 84.9°
azimuth 37.8° to
40.1°

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Rock Island Unit #4-11, WYO
Sycamore
County,



22-141 50 SHEETS
22-142 100 SHEETS
22-144 200 SHEETS

Azimuth 40° Deviation 88°

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69 66 67 Intact rock 66 Intact Rock 65 15,464

68.1
Strike 82°
dip 63° to S
black surf w/ thick (1.5mm) K
oblique slicks, dip 40° to W

66.5
hairline UNF
Strike 002°
Calcite min
complete aperture
occlusion

65.9
hairline - calcite (?) min
UNF strike 10°
intact rock - occluded aperture

64.7
Strike 102°
dip 80° to W
black surf w/ patchy K
horiz slicks

74 73 Rubble/Reset MISSING ROCK (0.1'?) 72 MISSING wedge of rock 71 70 69

72.4
Strike 75°
dip 76° to S
Q → black + K
rough surf,
no slicks

72.5
Strike 78°
dip 85° S
black surf/rough
Q + K
minor late K
no slicks

72.2
Strike 53°
dip 68° S
black surf (over Qtz)
w/ patchy K
slicks dip 15° to NE

71.4
Strike 82° dip 74° to S
Fault zone minimum of 1.5cm wide, missing rock between
remnant surfaces
Surfaces black w/ patchy K - possible initial gte done underlying
black
oblique slicks dip ~ 30° to W
v. rough/wavy surface
adjacent hairline F // to main zone

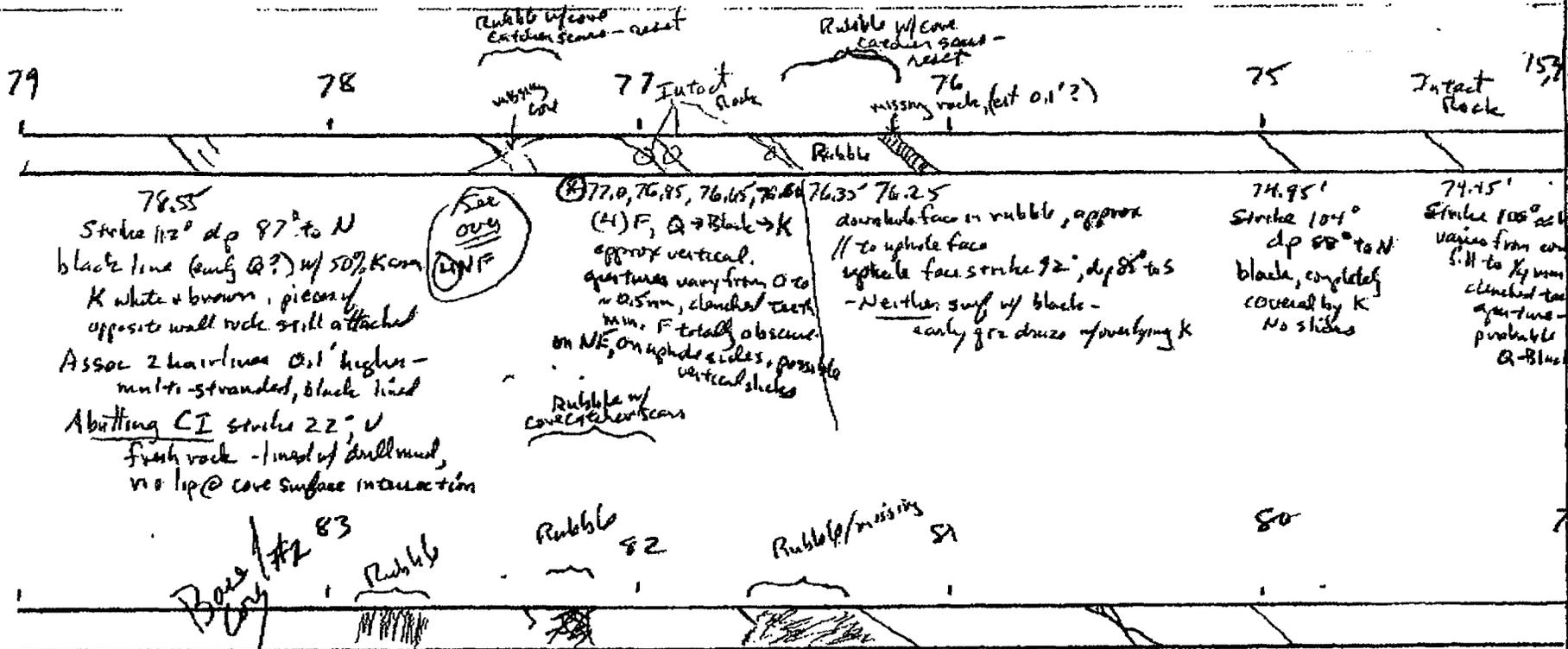
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Superior County, Wyo
Rock Island Unit #4-11



22-191 50 SHEETS
22-147 100 SHEETS
22-144 200 SHEETS

4/6

Azimuth 40° Deviation 88°



78.55
Strike 112° dip 87° to N
black line (early Q?) w/ 50% K on
K white & brown, pieces of
opposite wall rock still attached
Assoc 2 hairlines 0.1' high -
multi-stranded, black lined
Abutting CI strike 22° V
fresh rock - most of dull mud,
no lip @ core surface interaction

77.0, 76.95, 76.65, 76.4, 76.35, 76.25
(+) F, Q → Black → K
approx vertical.
quantities vary from 0 to
0.5mm, clashed teeth
mm. F totally obscured
on NE, on uphole sides, possible
vertical slickes

downhole face in rubble, approx
// to uphole face
uphole face strike 92°, dip 88° to S
- Neither surf w/ black -
early gra druze w/ overlying K

74.95'
Strike 104°
dip 88° to N
black, completely
covered by K
No slickes

74.45'
Strike 100° to W
varies from complete
S.H. to 1/4 mm gaps
clashed teeth
apertures -
probable
Q-Black-K

fracture
structures
from 15, 476' to
approximate, are
nearly on alignment of
black staining F to black F
uphole - Bedding U obscure
this interval & Rubble zone break
score-line continuity

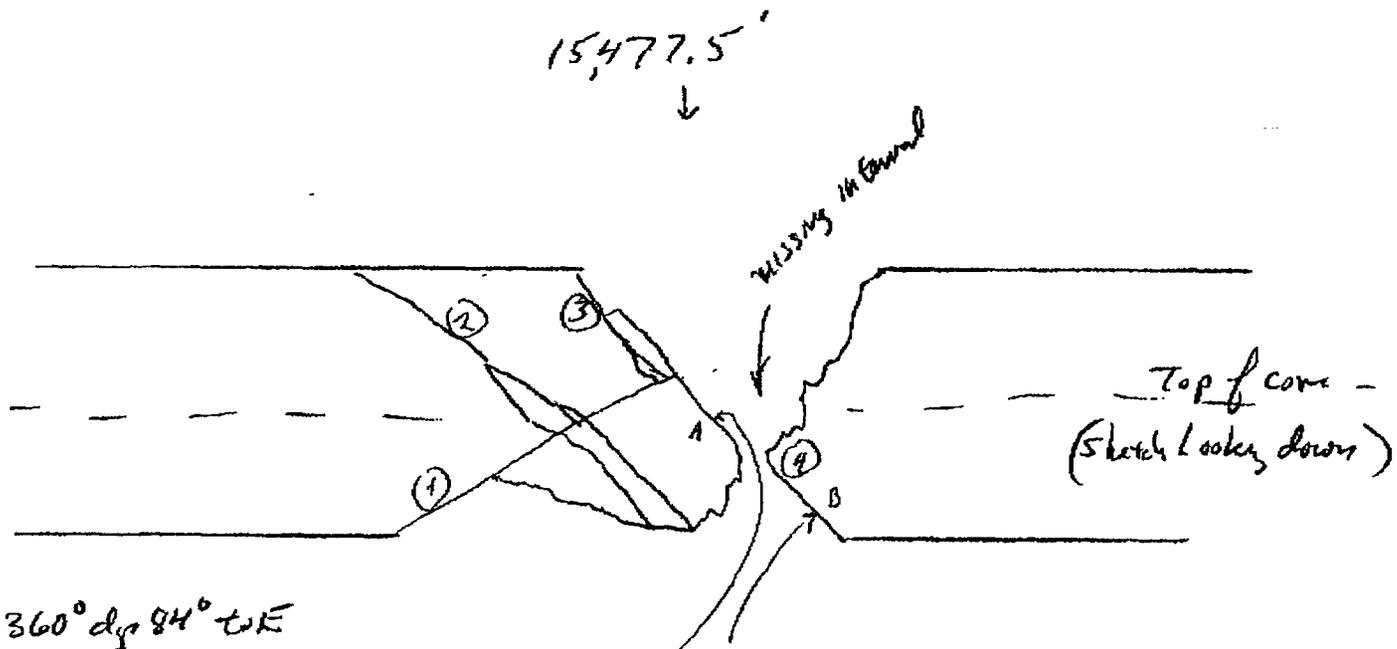
82.4
F strike 98°
dip 82° to S
No slickes
No Black
Q to druze
U small
patches of K

81.6 -
F strike surface
on butt of
core -
mudplate:
probably
flat
similar to
F @ 81.3

81.3
Strike 95° dip 89° to S
Rough, no slickes
early Q to, black -
SP% K cover

80.5 - Fragles of
2-3 VNF, strikes 70-80°
dip 90° - Rough
Surface w/o slickes -
No Black; early
large Q to XI (0.5mm)
druze w/ possibly small
patches K

79.95'
Strike 98° dip 88° to S
Rough surf / No Slickes
No Black
early Q to druze w/
Patches K



NF① Strike 360° dip 84° to E
 No black - only minor Qtz druse
 w/ small K patches - no slicks

NF② - multi-stranded hairline F in intact
 rock, strike 65° , approx vertical, black lining,
 minor K

NF③ Black-lined F, multiple sub// surfaces showing
 inclined slicks (dip 45° to W)
 Strike 70° dip 68° to S, probable Qtz druse, overlain by black, w/ local patches K

NF④ Strike 85° dip Vertical
 black-lined rough surface, possible early Qtz druse, patches late K

Age relationship not apparent - both F sets cross-cutting

Surface A shows oblique slicks, dip down to W $\sim 30^\circ$
 Whereas Surface B shows no slicks, therefore
 these are probably Not the same F, just pieces
 of 2 // F

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TABLE 1: FRACTURES IN THE ROCK ISLAND UNIT #4-H CORE

Depth* (ft MD)	Strike	Dip**	Mineralization***	Shear
1 15424 5	110	75N	B	horiz , RL
mm-scale host-rock inclusions along fracture plane				
2 15426 55	85	83N	B, K	horiz
Fracture consists of two or more sub-parallel strands				
3 15427 5	108	85N	B, thick (1mm) K	faint horiz
4 15429 25	92	77	B, small patches K	none
5 15429 4	90	V	B, probably other	unknown
Rock is intact across fracture dip, shear, and mineralization components unknown Minor splays on either side of the fracture ---No fractures are present in the 16+ft interval between 15429 4 and 15446 25---				
6 15446 25	108	80N	B, K patches	Oblique slicks, dip 40 deg to W
7 15446 35	93	V	B	unknown
Rock is intact across this fracture Intersects fracture #6				
8 15453 35	98	85	B, K	none
9 15454 1	100	90	B, patches K	faint horizontal
Two parallel fractures 0.05 ft apart, with anastomosed fracture planes between the two bounding fractures Rock across this fracture would be intact except for the sawcut from breaking core barrel				
10 15459 3	85	V	B	unknown
Two faint hairline fractures marked by black material on the surface of intact rock				
11 15459 4	85	82S	B, patchy K	none
Fracture tightly mineralized such that patches of wall rock from opposite face adhere to the fracture				
12 15462 0	90	85S	B, patchy K	none
Wedge of brecciated wall rock 1-cm thck adjacent to part of the fracture				
13 15464 7	102	85	B, patchy K	horiz
14 15465 9+	10	V	C	unknown
hairline fracture in intact rock, aperture occluded by calcite				

15	15466	5 ⁺	2	V	C	unknown
						hairline fracture in intact rock, aperture occluded by calcite
16	15468	1	82	60S	B, thick (1.5 mm) K	oblique, dip 40 to W, RL
17	15471	4	82	69S	Q, B, patchy K	oblique, dip 30 to W
						Two non-congruent fracture surfaces at this depth suggest that rock is missing between two fracture faces (estimate minimum 1.5 cm missing) This is the first good indication of quartz underlying the black material Several black-highlighted hairline fractures parallel the main fracture zone in the adjacent intact rock
18	15472	2	55	63S	Q(?), B, K	slicks dip 15 to NE, RL
19	15472	3	78	80S	Q, B, K	none
20	15472	4	75	71S	Q, B, K	none
21	15474,45	105		V	Q, B, K	unknown
						Fracture is in intact rock, irregular remnant aperture of about 0.25 mm is present within the mineralization
22	15474	95	104	87S	B, K	none
23	15476	25	92	80S	Q, K	none
						First fracture of the dominant set that is NOT covered with black material
24	15476	35	92	80S	Q, K	none
						This fracture evident on mineralized pieces of rubble immediately below fracture number 23 similar mineralization and proximity suggest parallel orientation
25	15476	6	100	75S	Q, B, K	faint, possibly vertical
26	15476	65	90	V	Q, B, K	unknown
27	15476	85	100	V	Q, B, K	unknown
28	15477	0	95	V	Q, B, K	unknown
						Fractures number 26, 27, 28 occur in intact rock Fractures are only apparent on the underside of the core, where they have obvious mineralization with 0.25-0.5 mm remnant irregular aperture
29	15477	5	85	V	Q, B, patchy K	none
						Remnant of fracture face, poorly defined
30	15477	6	70	63S	Q, B, patchy K	- oblique, dip 45 to W
						Composite fracture of multiple, sub-parallel surfaces

- 31 15477 6⁺ 360 84E Q, small patches K none
This fracture intersects two fractures of the dominant set, but both sets are crosscutting without evidence of interference as between younger-older sets
- 32 15477 65 65 V B, K unknown
Fracture in intact rock
- 33 15478 55 112 87S Q(?), B, K none
Pieces of opposing wall rock still attached across fracture plane Associated, parallel, black-lined hairline fractures occur in the intact rock immediately uphole
- 34 15479 35⁺ 360 V unknown unknown
Hairline fracture in intact rock
- 35 15479 95 98 83S Q, K none
Rough surface without slicks and without black lining
- 36 15480 5 70-80 90 Q, small K none
Fracture complex of 2-3 strands, with large (0.5mm) quartz crystals but no black lining
- 37 15481 3 95 83S Q, B, K none
- 38 15481 6 95? V Q, B, K unknown
Small fracture surface on butt end of core, incomplete Probably similar to #37
- 39 15482 4 95 77S Q, K none
- 40 15483 0⁽⁺⁾ ? ? C, K unknown
Mineralized fracture face in rubble Calcite suggests it may be part of the secondary fracture set

*fracture depth measured from its intersection with the top of core

**dip listed as "V" for near-vertical where not measurable exactly

***1 B = unidentified black substance, Q = quartz, K = kaolinite, C = calcite,

2 Listed in order of superposition, from fracture face out

3 Fine quartz druze may underlie most of the fractures of the dominant set, but is obscured by the black material

⁺Denotes fractures of the subordinate set

Subject:

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Subject: Fractures in core # 3, Rock Island #4-H, Sweetwater Co., WY

SUMMARY

Almost as many natural fractures (36) occur in the 20.2 ft of core #3 as are present (40) in the 60 ft of cores #1 and 2, thus the fracture intensity in core #3 is nearly three times that found in the shallower cores. Although exciting in a scientific sense, this increase in fracture intensity occasions much grumbling on the part of the hardworking fracture analyst. Maximum length of unfractured core is 3.8 ft (compared to 16.9 ft in core #1), but minimum fracture spacing in all cores is less than an inch.

Fractures in core #3 are the same types (extension and reactivated/sheared extension), and have the same orientations (north-south and east-west respectively), as found in the earlier two cores. Better examples of the intersections of the two fracture sets in this core suggest that the north-south fractures are in fact the younger fracture set, as hypothesized earlier from less definitive data. The fractures have somewhat more variability in mineralization than noted in cores #1 and 2, although the basic sequence is the same. The east-west fracture set is typically mineralized with an early-formed, dark quartz druze, a black lining (tentatively identified by Tad Taylor at UP as black kaolinite), and a late, patchy to thick white to tan kaolinite layer. The younger, north-south fractures are mineralized with quartz druze having a larger and clearer crystal habit than that found on the east-west fractures, and locally with younger patches of calcite.

About a third of the fractures of the east-west set have been reactivated by right-lateral to oblique shear (primary shear would be found on all of the fractures of this set). The shear typically indicates that rock on the southern side of the fracture has moved westward and down relative to rock north of the fracture.

The preliminary interpretation is that the east-west fractures formed first, in response to overpressured conditions, and were reactivated later during local thrust faulting. The north-south extension fractures may be contemporaneous with reactivation of the first set, related to extension over the crest of the thrust-related flexure.

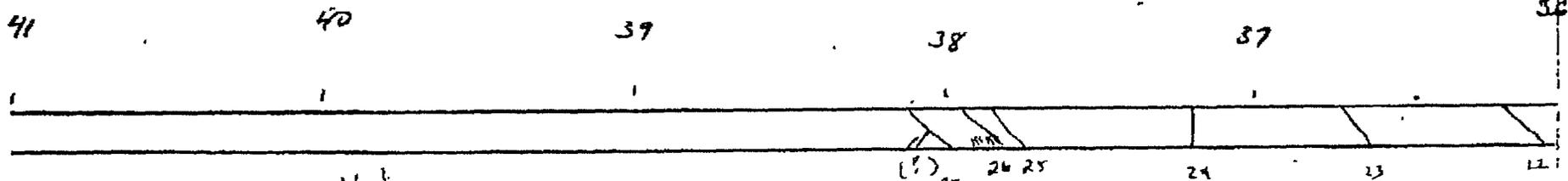
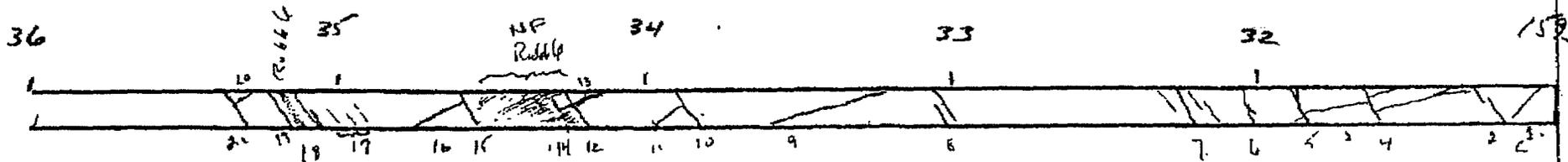
About half of the fractures of both sets have obvious remnant open aperture despite mineralization and should be good permeability pathways at virgin reservoir conditions. No coring-induced fractures have been found in these horizontal cores, thus the in situ stress orientations and magnitudes, which should have important effects on the conductivity of the fractures, are unknown. Plugs are being taken, as with the earlier cores, to assess the permeability along and across the faces of the different fracture sets.

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 Rock Island Unit #4-H, WYO
 Sweetwater
 County,

Sketcher looking down on top of core
 Azimuth 35° Deviation 85°



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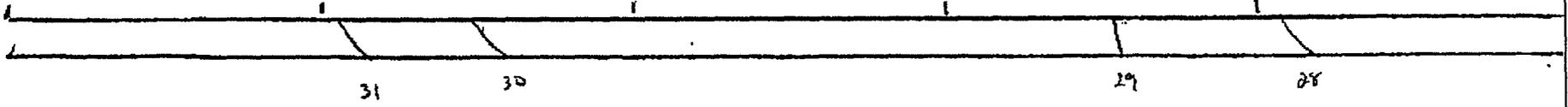
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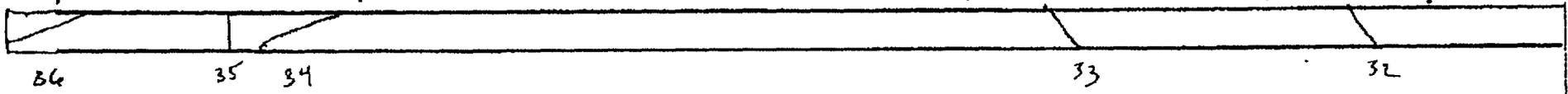
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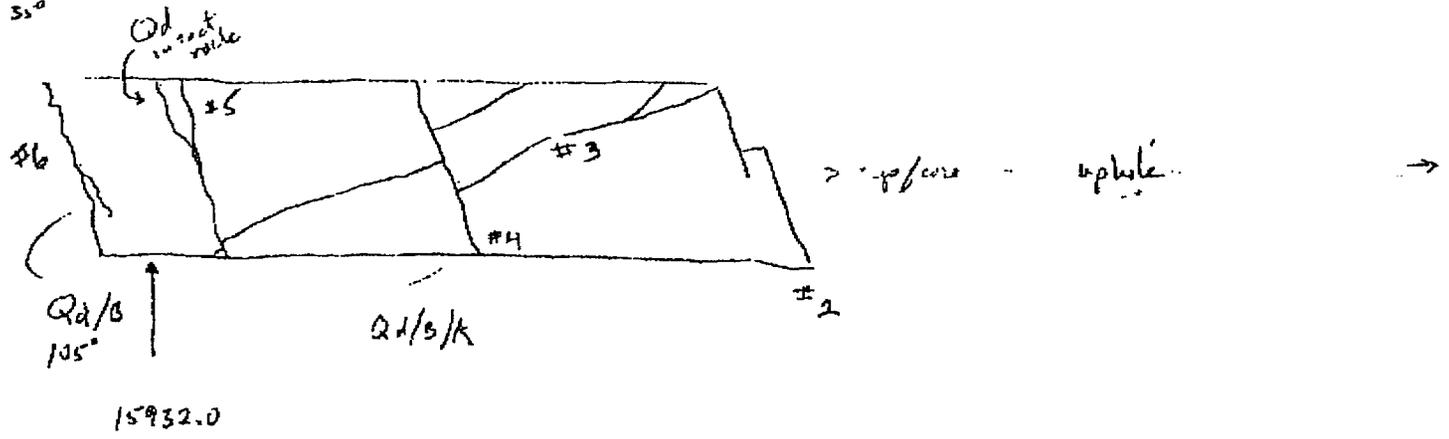
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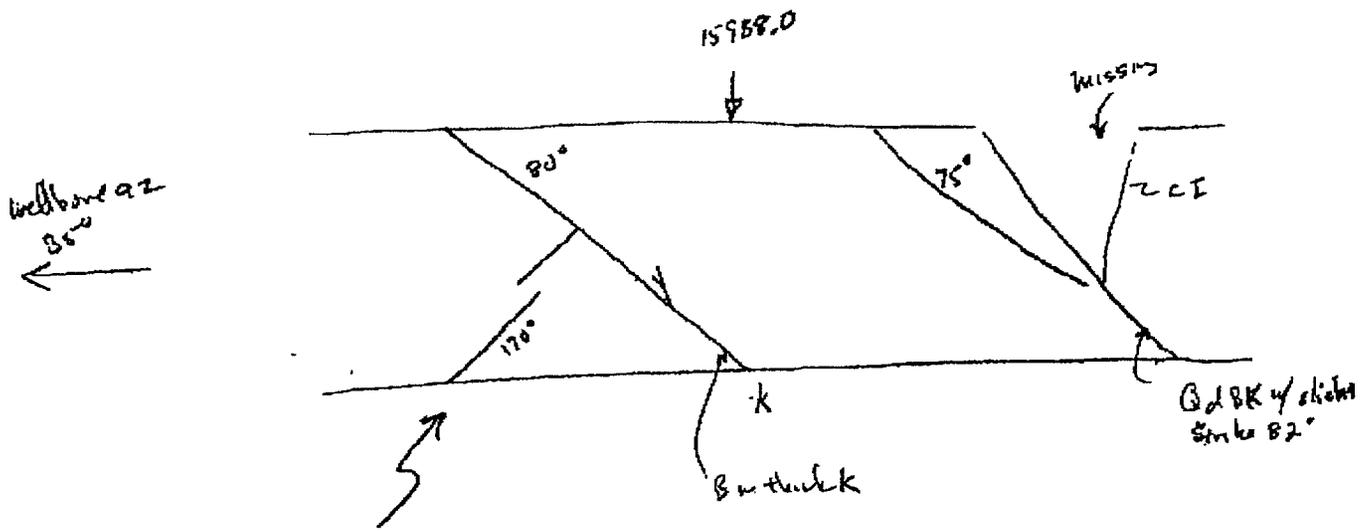
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these fractures are very planar, were only obvious after core was hit with hammer 0.7' below to break core. Rock was intact before hammer blow, but free planes show no interaction w/ core surface. However, rock on one free surface is unmineralized and appears identical to fresh broken rock surfaces other than planarity

TABLE 1: FRACTURES IN CORE #3 FROM THE ROCK ISLAND UNIT #4-H

	Depth* (ft MD)	Strike	Dip**	Mineralization	***	Shear
1.	15931.2(+)	175	86E	Q, patchy C	none	
	Fracture is 0.2 ft below top of core: core piece above frac broke off, was turned on twice					
2.	15931 3 100	88S	Q, B		none	
	Irregular fracture plane composed of 2-3 sub-parallel fractures up to 1 mm wide each					
3.	15931 8(+)	10	77W	Q		none
	Irregular rough fracture plane that terminates/offsets at fracture #4 showing that #3 is younger					
4.	15931.8 103	88S	B, patchy K		none	
5	15931.9 112	V	Q		unknown	
	Fracture with obvious remnant porosity within mineralization, in intact rock					
6	15932.05 105	82N	Q (no B)		none	
7.	15932.35	88	88N	Q, B		none
	Several sub-parallel black hairline fractures in adjacent rock					
8.	15933.1 100	86S	Q, B, K		none	
9	15933.45(+)	178	V	C		unknown
	Fracture in intact rock					
10.	15933.9 85	88E	B, K		none	
11.	15933.9(+)	148	67N	Q		none
12.	15934.2 96	87S	B		unknown	
	Hairline, black-highlighted fracture in intact rock					
13	15934.3(+)	12	V	Q		none
14.	15934.35	E-W	V	Q, B		dip 40 deg to W
	Multiple fracture surfaces with multiple orientations in rubble zone. Remnant fracture faces have large (0.5 mm) quartz druze crystals in fracture-face hollows, slicks on asperities.					

(Table 1, continued)

	Depth* (ft MD)		Strike	Dip**	Mineralization	***	Shear
15	15934.4	80	70N	Q, B	none		
							Smokey quartz druze crystals in fracture-face hollows
16	15934.7(+)		2	82W	Q	none	
17.	15934.95		90-95	V	Q	unknown	
	-35.1						Irregular fracture surfaces in intact rock (associated with #18?)
18.	15935.2	82	74W	Q, B, K		dip 70 deg to E	
							1-cm wide shear zone with 3-4 fractures: quartz in pockets (no breccia). Thin rubble zone apparently separates the disconnected face of the last fracture from the open fracture face of #19. Poor fit, associated rubble, and different trends in fracture-face slicks suggest that #18 and #19 are not the same fracture although they are sub-parallel.
19.	15935.3	75	85W	Q, B, K		dip 50 deg to W	
20.	15935.5(+)		175	60E	Q, B	none	
21.	15935.5	88	70S	Q, B, K		faint, possibly vertical	
22.	15936	15	79	77S	B, K	none	
23.	15936.7	95	V	B		unknown	
							Irregular remnant aperture within fracture-face mineralization in intact rock
24.	15937.25		115	88S	Q, K (no B?)	none	
25.	15937.8	87	83S	Q, B, K, C		dip 20 deg to W	
26.	15937.9	75	V	Q, B, K		unknown	
							Fractures # 26 & 27 are hairline fractures in intact rock, assumed to be similar to #25
27.	15938.1	75	V	Q, B, K		unknown	
							Several parallel planar features, striking 170 deg., developed at this depth when the core was hit with a hammer a foot away (the rock appeared to be intact before the hammer strike). These planes show no mineralization, suggesting induced, but also show no tendency to change direction or "lip" at the core surface as do most induced fractures.
28.	15941.9	92	82S	Q, B, K		faint, dip 50 deg to W	
							Several associated black, nearby hairline fractures in the adjacent rock

(Table 1, continued)

	Depth* (ft MD)	Strike	Dip**	Mineralization	***	Shear
29.	15942.45	95	V	B		unknown Irregular/complex mare's tails along a black-highlighted, hairline fracture
30.	15944.55	92	70N	Q, B, patchy K		dip 50 deg to W, RL
31.	15944.9	102	62N	Q, B, K		faint (obsc'd by thick K), dip 50 W Associated parallel faint, black, hairline fractures within core 0.2 ft below
32.	15946.7	104	82N	(prob. Q), B, thick K		none
33.	15947.7	92	88N	(prob Q), B, thick K		faint horiz, RL
34.	15950.25(+)	5	V	C		unknown 0.5 mm wide calcite-filled aperture with local remnant porosity in intact rock
35.	15950.4	125	86NE	Q, B, K		dip 40 deg to W
36	15951.1(+)	18	84W	Q with scattered ½ cm patches late C		none

*fracture depth measured from its intersection with the top of core

**dip listed as "V" for near-vertical where not measurable exactly (as in intact core)

***1. B = unidentified black substance; Q = quartz, K = kaolinite, C = calcite;
 2 Listed in order of superposition, from fracture face out
 3. Fine quartz druze may underlie most of the fractures of the dominant set, but is obscured by the black material

+Denotes fractures of the subordinate set



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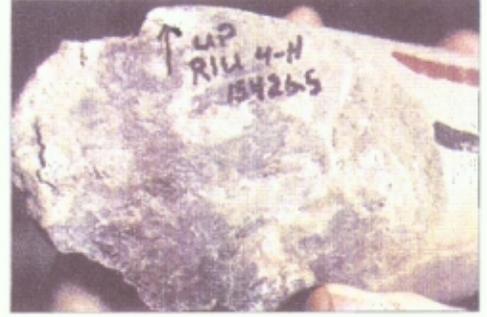
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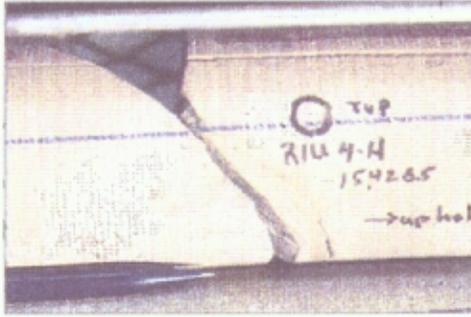
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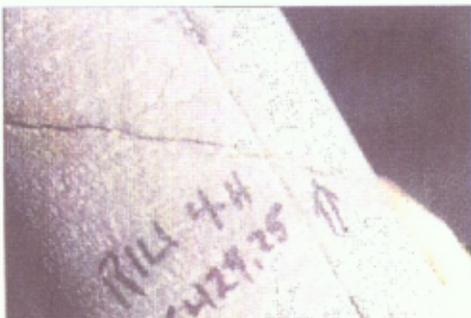
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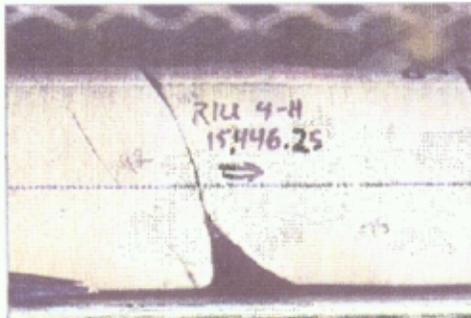
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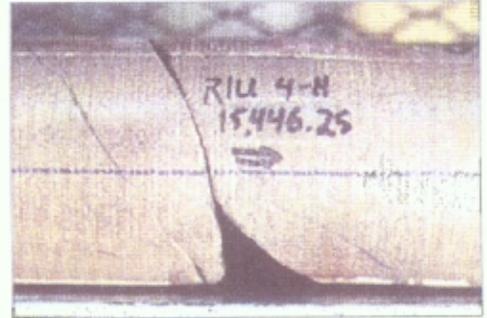
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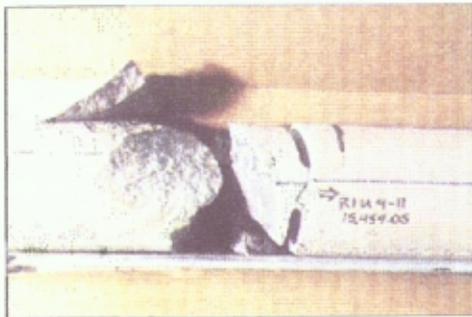
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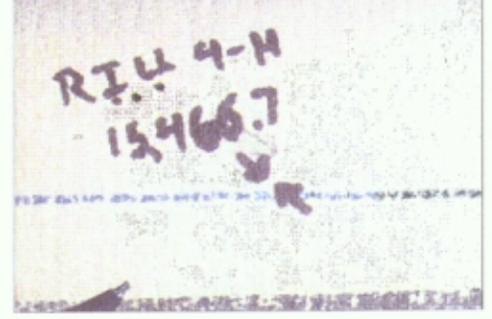
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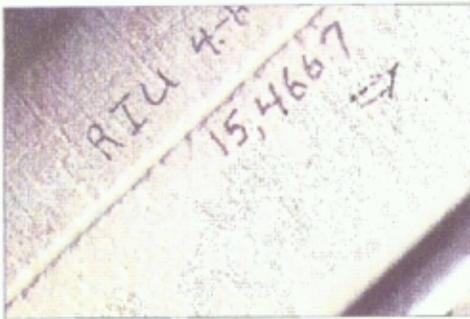
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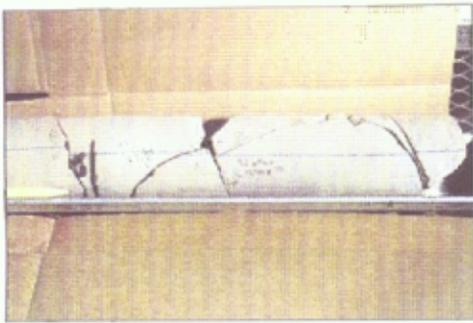
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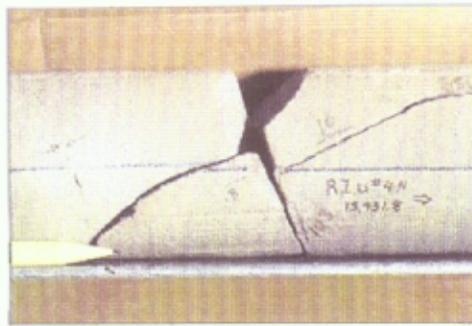
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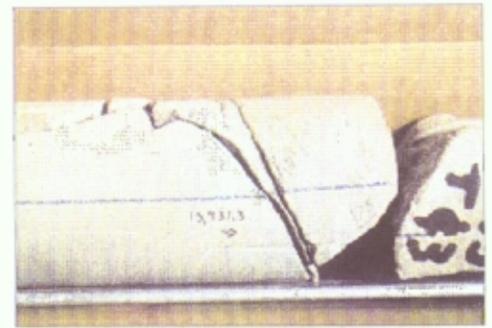
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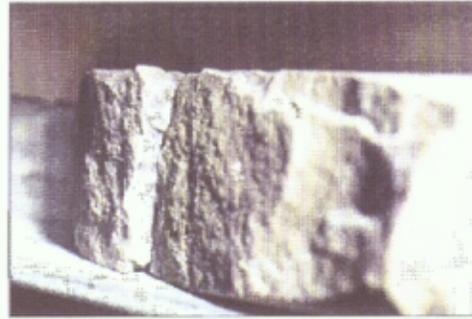
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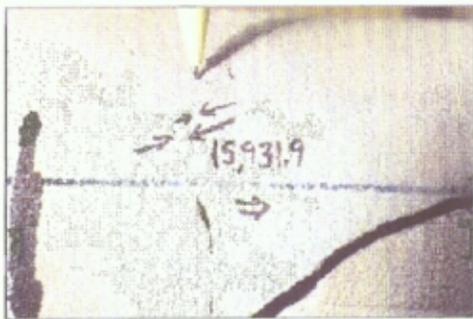
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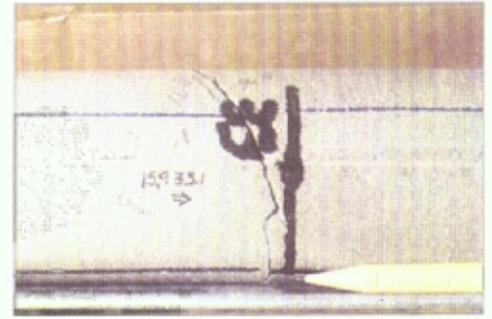
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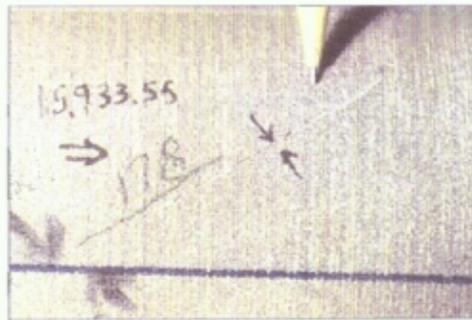
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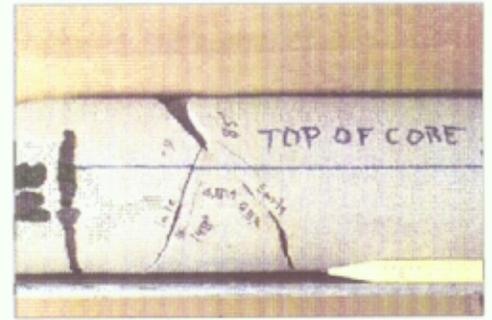
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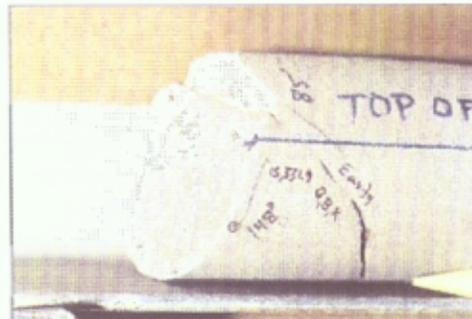
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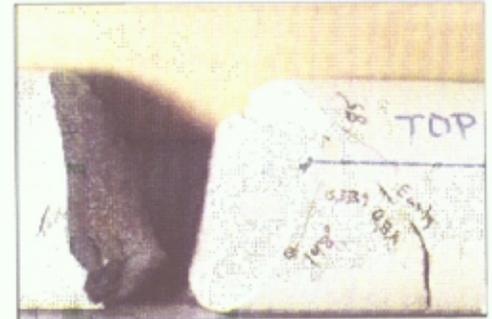
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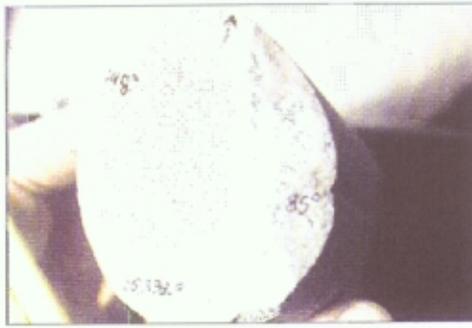
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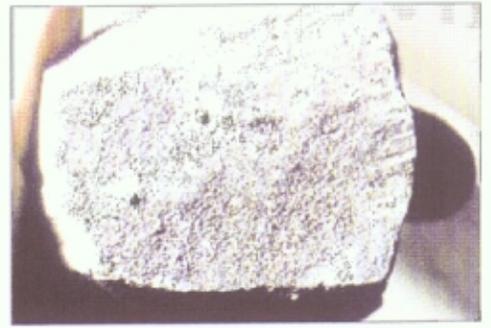
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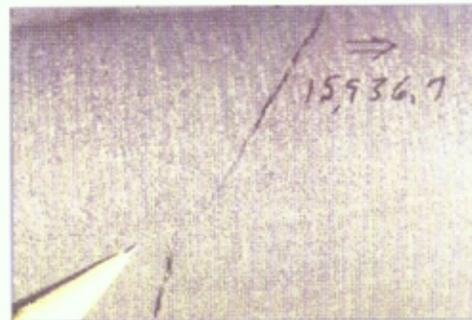
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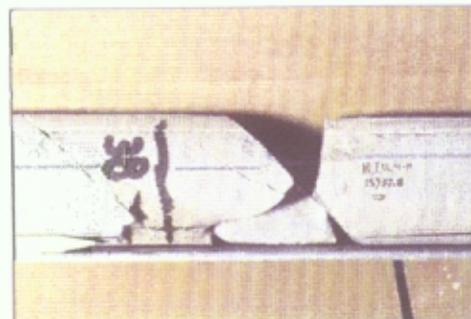
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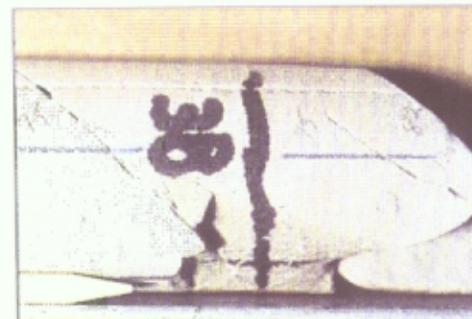
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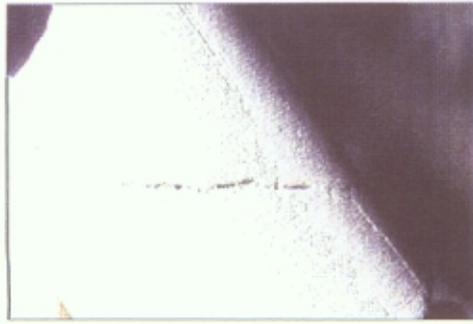
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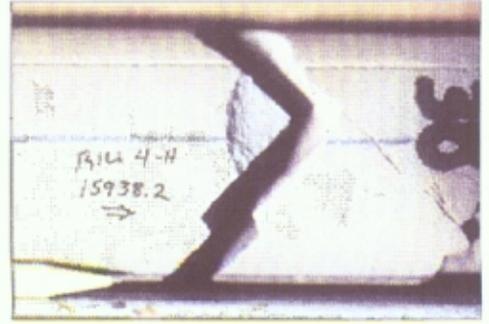
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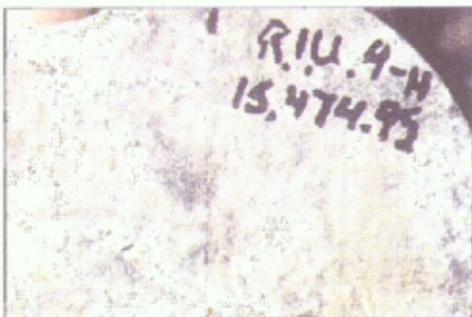
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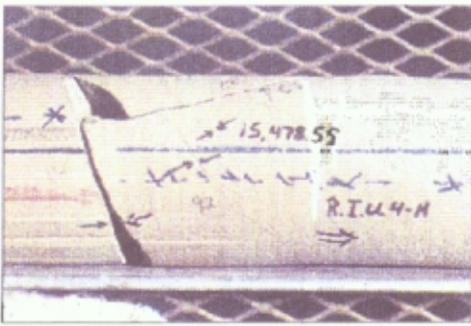
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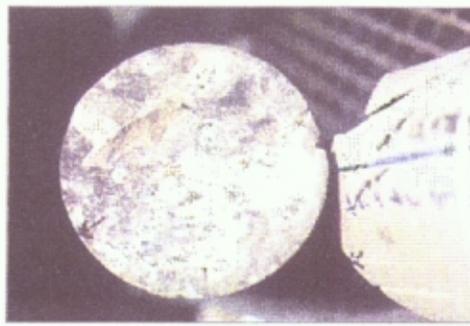
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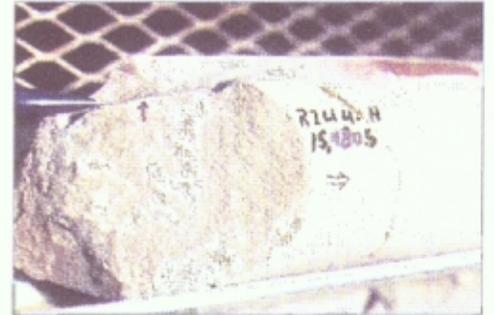
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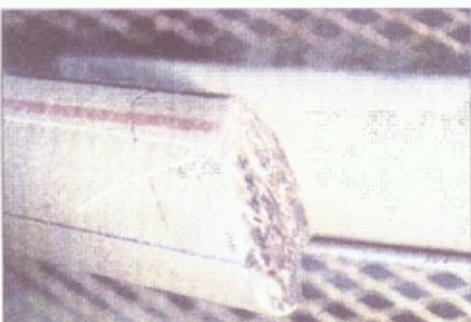
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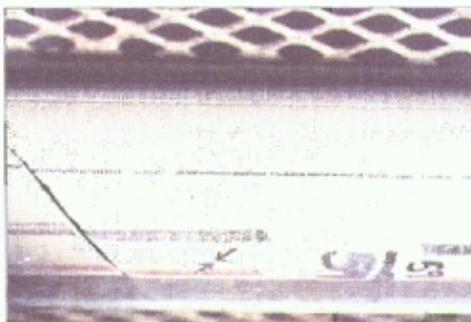
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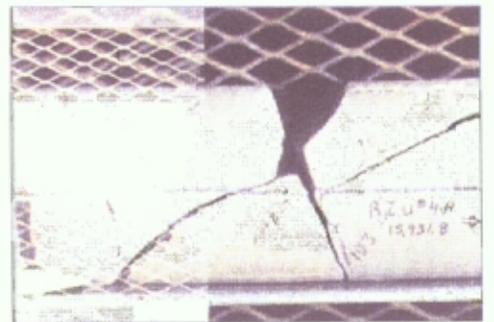
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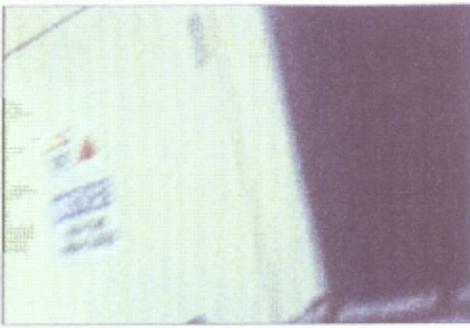
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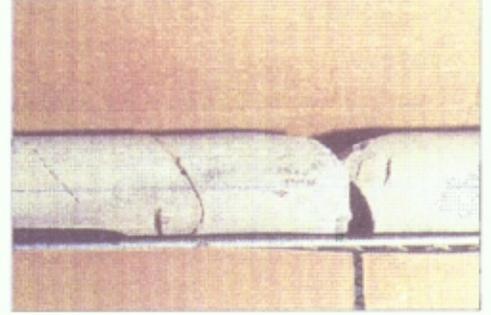
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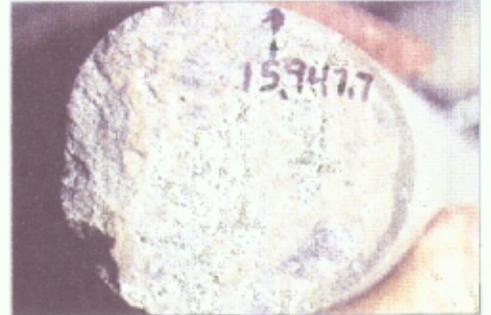
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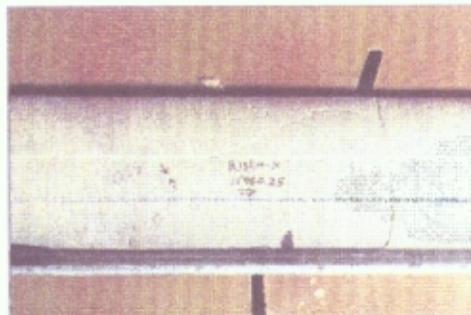
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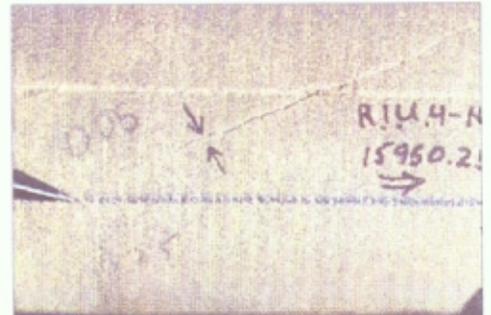
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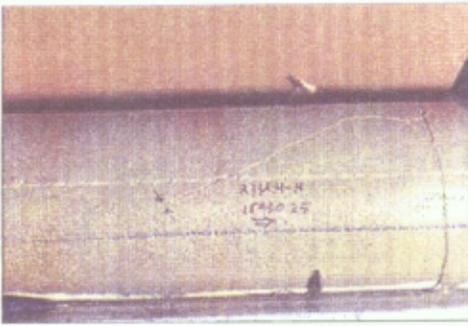
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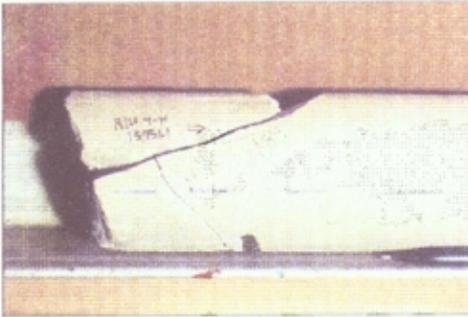
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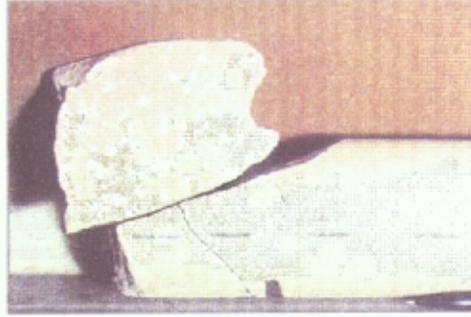
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