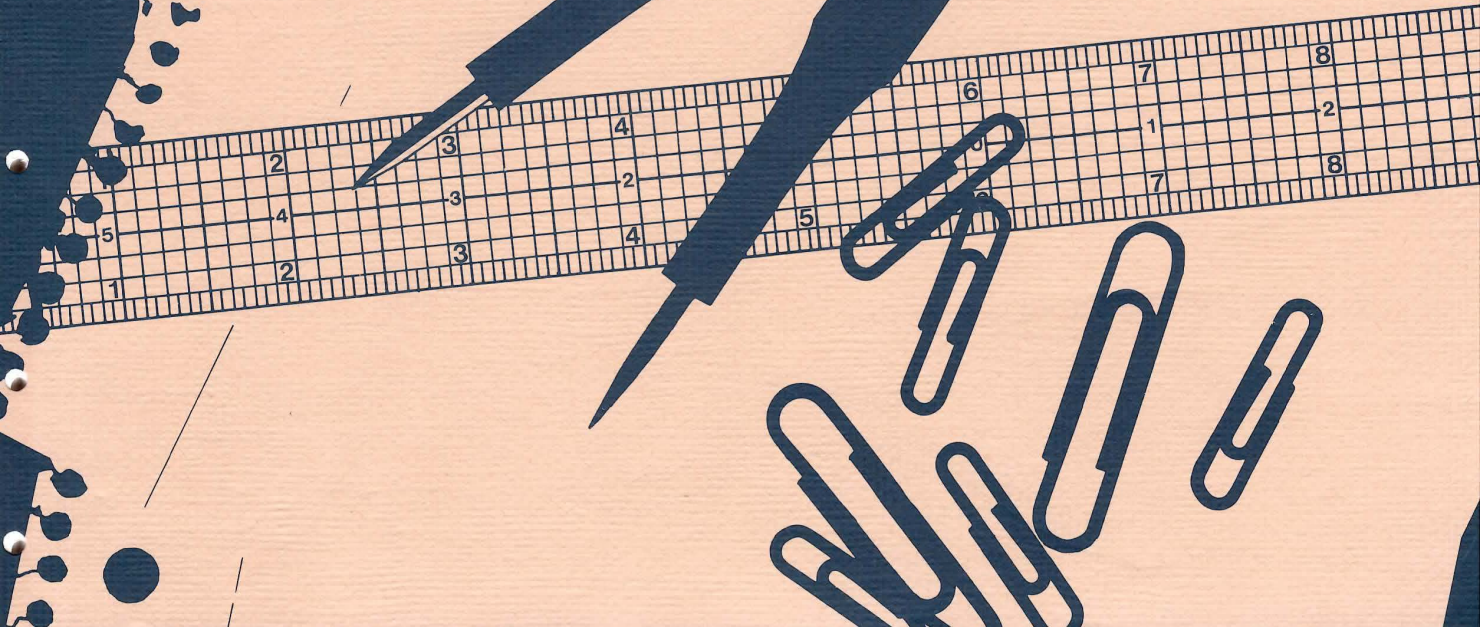


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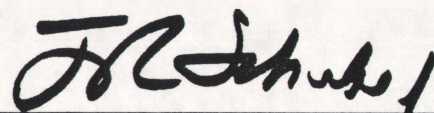
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INTRODUCTION

From April 1988 through September 1989, dissolved oxygen concentrations were measured for the purpose of defining areas of hypoxia and determining the length of time that these areas were hypoxic. These data are presented in this report. The description of the oxygen distribution was used as part of the basis of a water quality model for the Sound.

METHODS

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The Long Island Sound sampling cruises were conducted from the SUNY, Stony Brook, R/V ONRUST. Cruises from April 1988 through October 1988 covered a sampling area that extended about 80 km from the Whitestone Bridge to the waters between New Haven, CT. and Shoreham, NY (Figure 1; Table 1). The cruises from November 1988 through September 1989 included 9 stations positioned along the axis of the Sound. These stations extended from the Throgs Neck Bridge east to the waters between New Haven and Shoreham (Figure 2; Table 2).

The water sampling depths were designated as surface and bottom. Surface water was sampled at a depth of 2 m. Bottom water was considered to be at a depth of 20 m unless the station total depth was less than 20 m. At these stations, bottom water was sampled from 5 m above the actual bottom depth.

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Water samples were collected with a Niskin bottle. Ten milliliter subsamples were extracted from the Niskin bottle and analyzed immediately on board using the modified winkler titration method described in Appendix I.

A similar sampling program was conducted in the eastern Sound by the University of Connecticut Marine Science Institute.

RESULTS

The measurements of dissolved oxygen are tabulated in Appendix II. The dissolved oxygen concentrations in the surface and bottom water along the axis of the Sound for each cruise are shown in Figures 3 through 30. Hypoxia is defined as D.O. concentrations of 3 mg/l or less. As expected, hypoxia occurred in the bottom waters during August when the water column was typically thermally well-stratified as, for example, at one station in July 1988 (Figure 10), on 2-4 August 1988 (Figure 11), 15-16 August 1988 (Figure 12) and at one station on 24 July 1989 (Figure 28) and on 7 August 1989 (Figure 29) and 21 August 1989 (Figure 30). Dissolved oxygen in the surface water only fell below 3 mg/l at one station on 15-16 August 1988 (Figure 12) and again on 21 August 1989 (Figure 30). Levels of dissolved oxygen never went below about 1.4 mg/l which was measured in the bottom water at one station in the western Sound on 15-16 August 1988. The distribution of dissolved oxygen levels in both the surface and bottom water for surveys that included transects across the Sound are mapped in Figures 32 to 57.

STATIONS FOR LONG ISLAND SOUND

APRIL 1988 - OCTOBER 1988

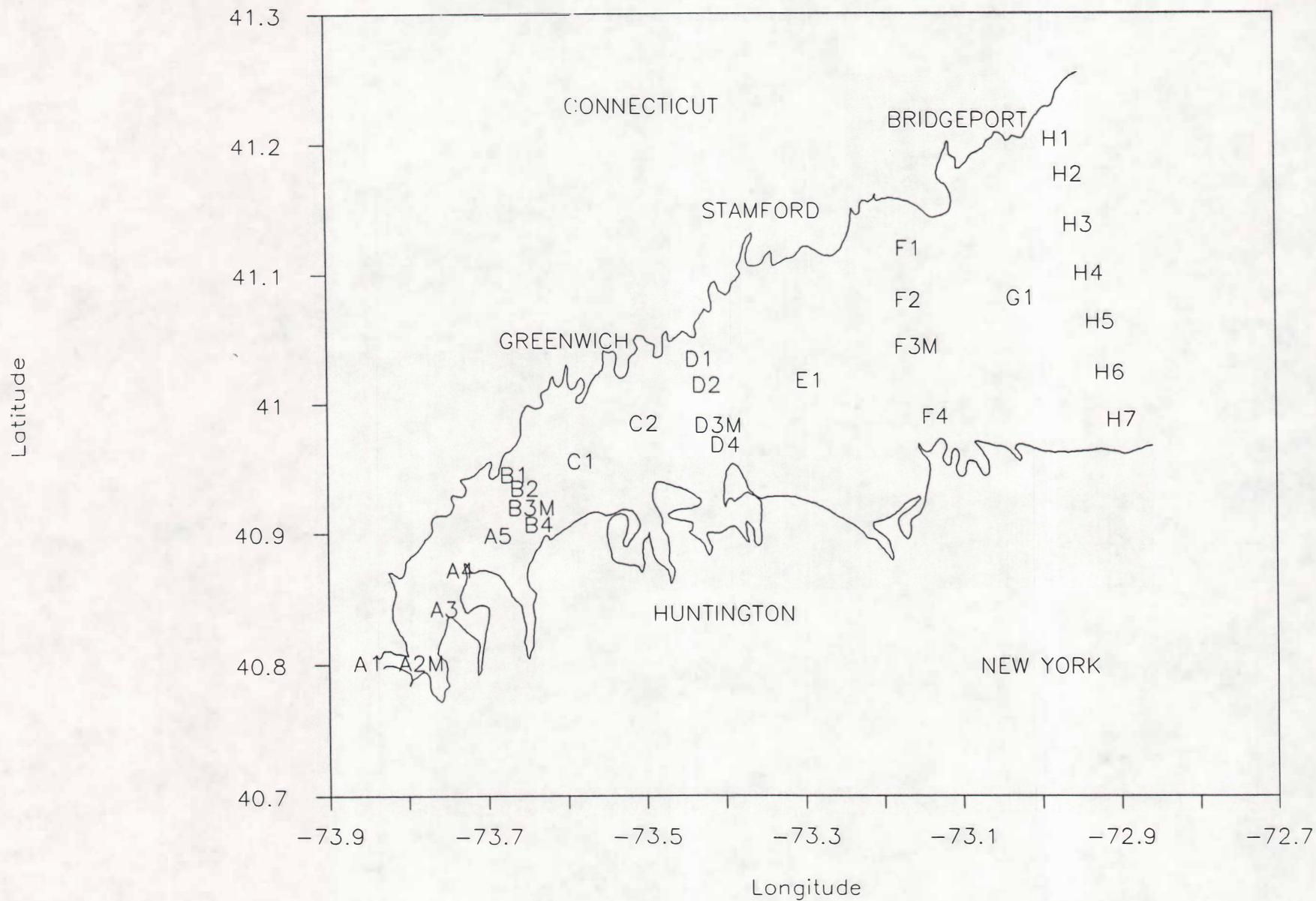


Figure 1

STATIONS FOR LONG ISLAND SOUND

NOVEMBER 1988 – SEPTEMBER 1989

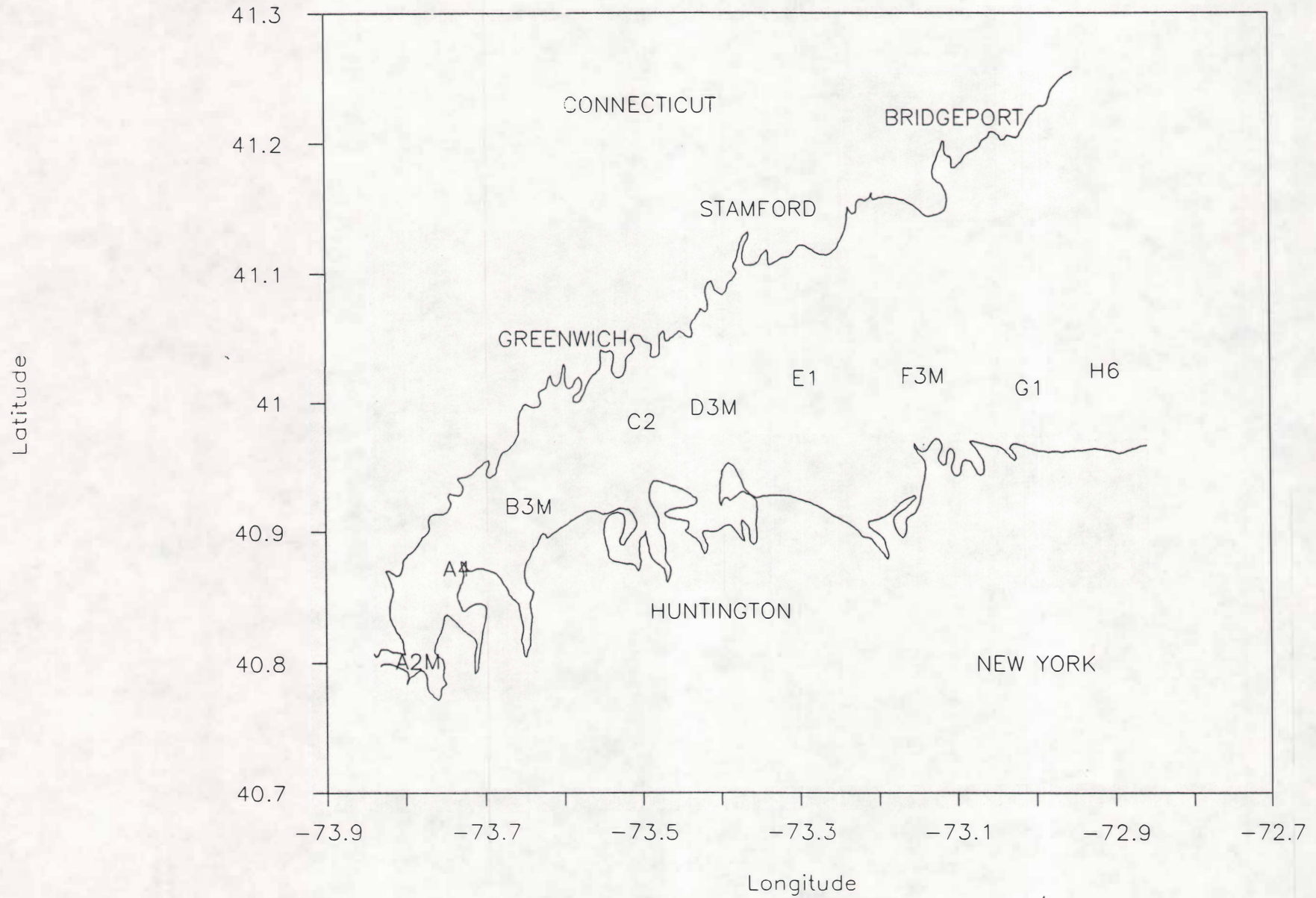


Figure 2

TABLE I

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STATION LOCATIONS

APRIL 1988 - OCTOBER 1988

STATION	DEPTH m	LATITUDE		LONGITUDE	
		DEG	MIN	DEG	MIN
A1	26	40	48.2	73	49.6
A2M	35	40	48.1	73	47.0
A3	25	40	50.5	73	45.3
A4	35	40	52.3	73	44.1
A5	13	40	53.9	73	41.2
B1S	15	40	56.7	73	40.0
B2	20	40	56.1	73	39.2
B4	15	40	54.4	73	38.1
B3M	19	40	55.2	73	38.7
C1	19	40	57.3	73	34.8
C2	35	40	59.1	73	30.0
D1	21	41	2.1	73	25.9
D2	28	41	0.9	73	25.3
D4	13	40	58.1	73	23.9
D3M	29	40	59.0	73	24.4
E1	36	41	1.2	73	17.5
F1	10	41	7.2	73	9.8
F2	20	41	4.8	73	9.9
F3M	27	41	2.7	73	9.2
F4	25	40	59.5	73	7.8
G1	28	41	5.0	73	1.3
H1	12	41	12.3	72	58.4
H2S	15	41	10.7	72	57.6
H3	20	41	8.4	72	56.9
H4S	25	41	6.1	72	56.1
H5	35	41	3.9	72	55.3
H6MS	40	41	1.5	72	54.5
H7	23	40	59.4	72	53.7

TABLE II

STATION LOCATIONS
 NOVEMBER 1988 - SEPTEMBER 1989

STATION	DEPTH m	LATITUDE		LONGITUDE	
		DEG	MIN	DEG	MIN
A2M	35	40	48.1	73	47.0
A4	35	40	52.4	73	44.1
B3M	19	40	55.1	73	38.7
C2	35	40	59.1	73	30.1
D3M	44	40	59.8 °	73	24.5
F3M	42	41	1.3	73	8.5
H6M	40	41	1.5	72	54.6

DISSOLVED OXYGEN mg/l

APRIL 4-6, 1988

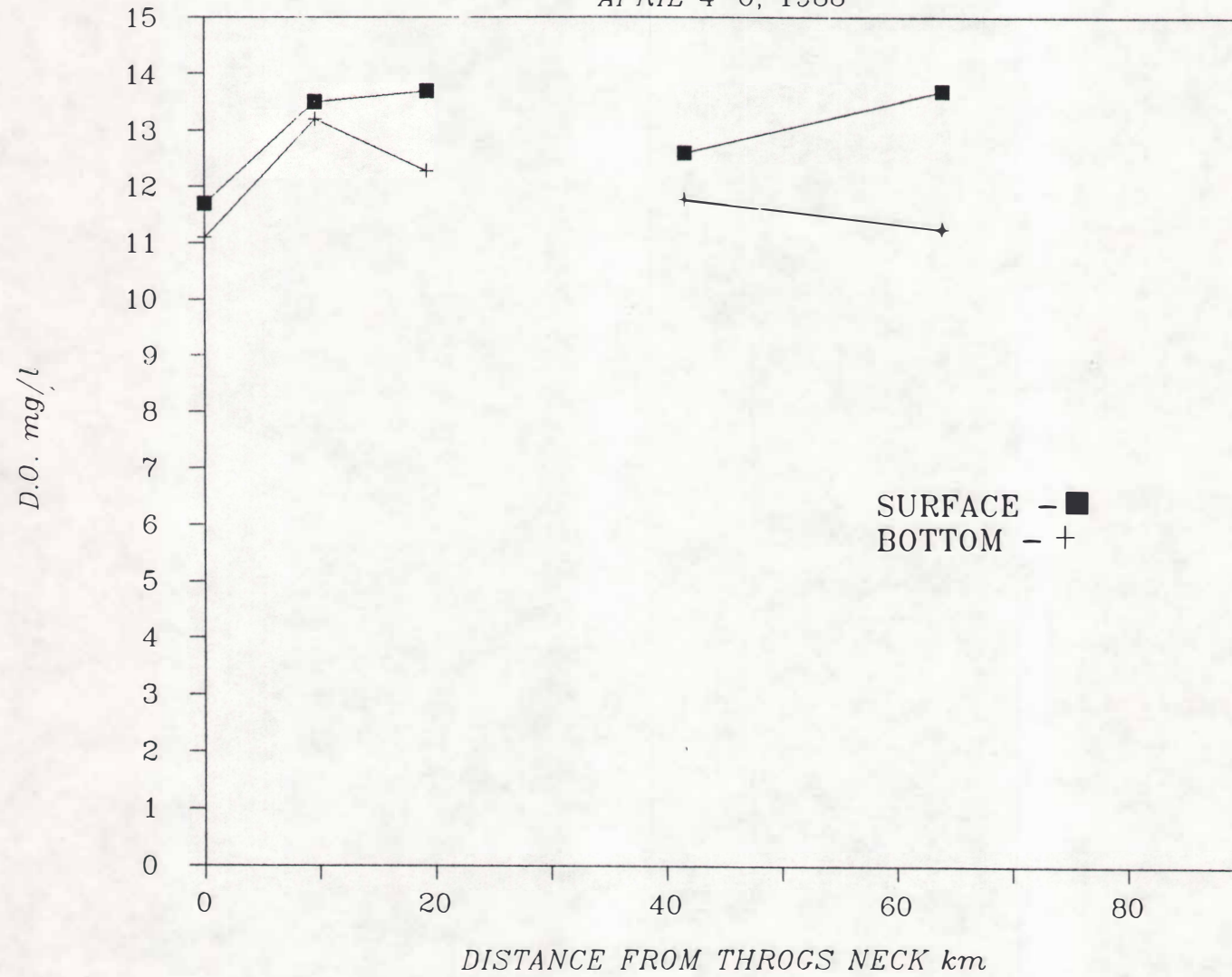


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DISSOLVED OXYGEN mg/l

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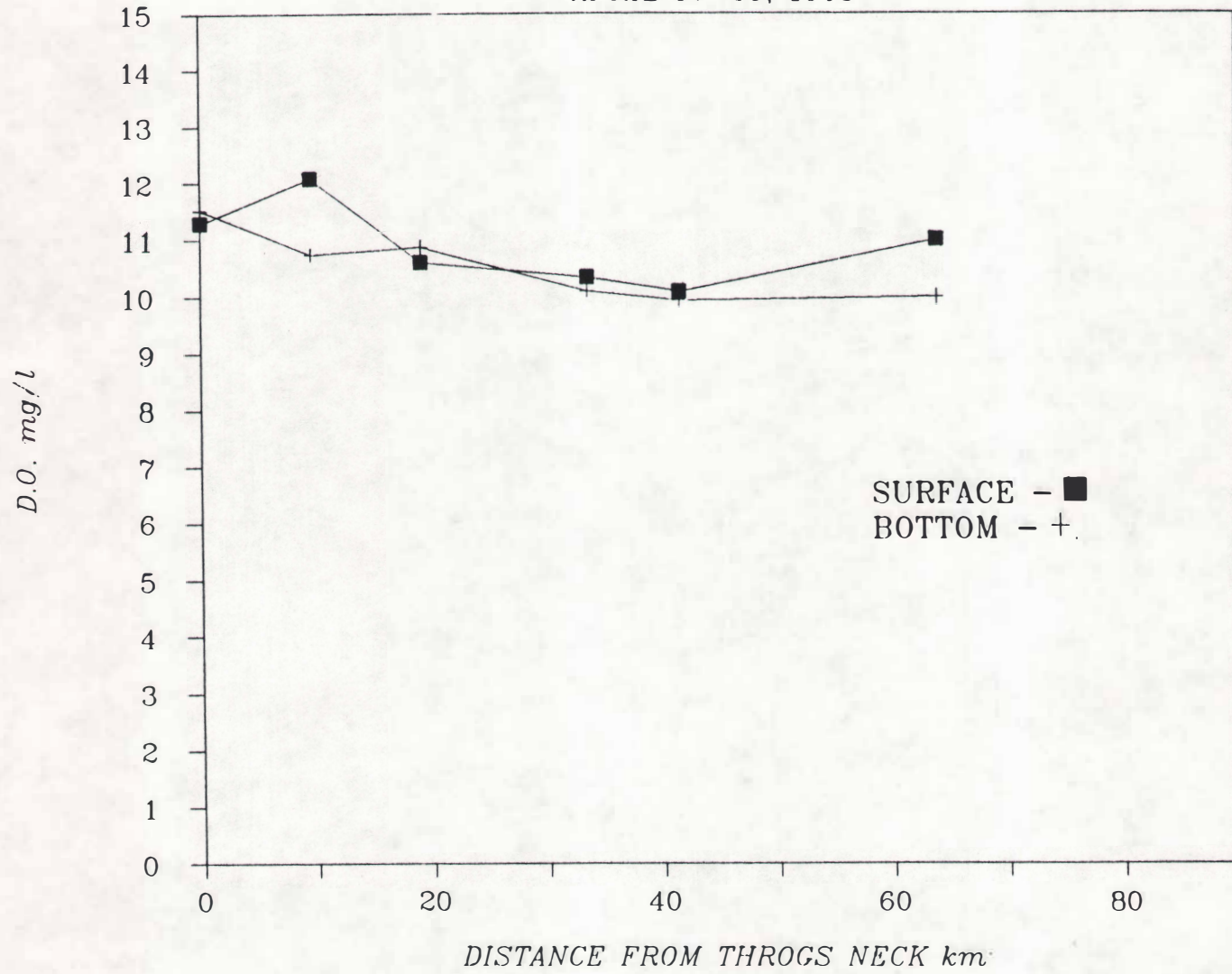


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DISSOLVED OXYGEN mg/l

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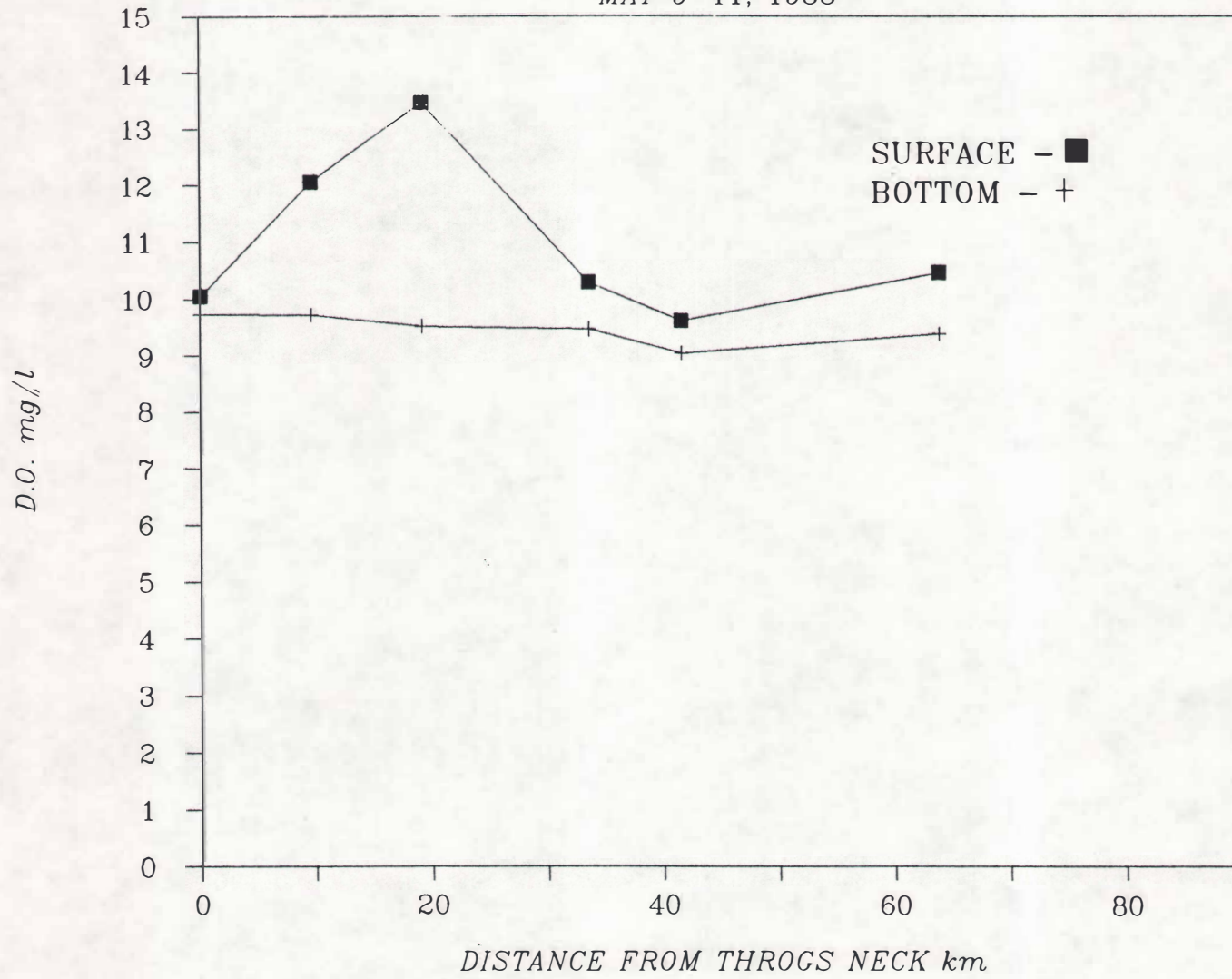


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DISSOLVED OXYGEN mg/l

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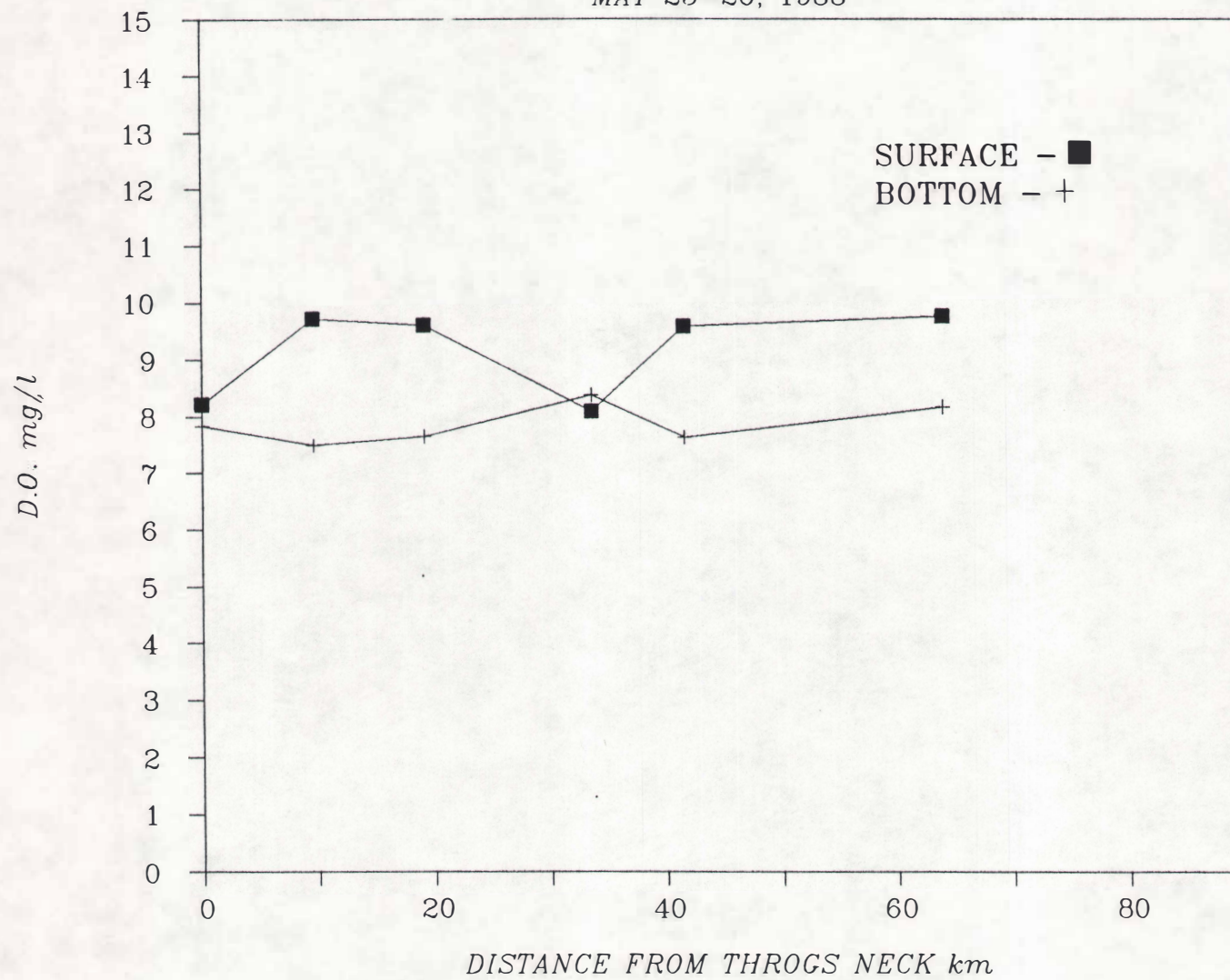


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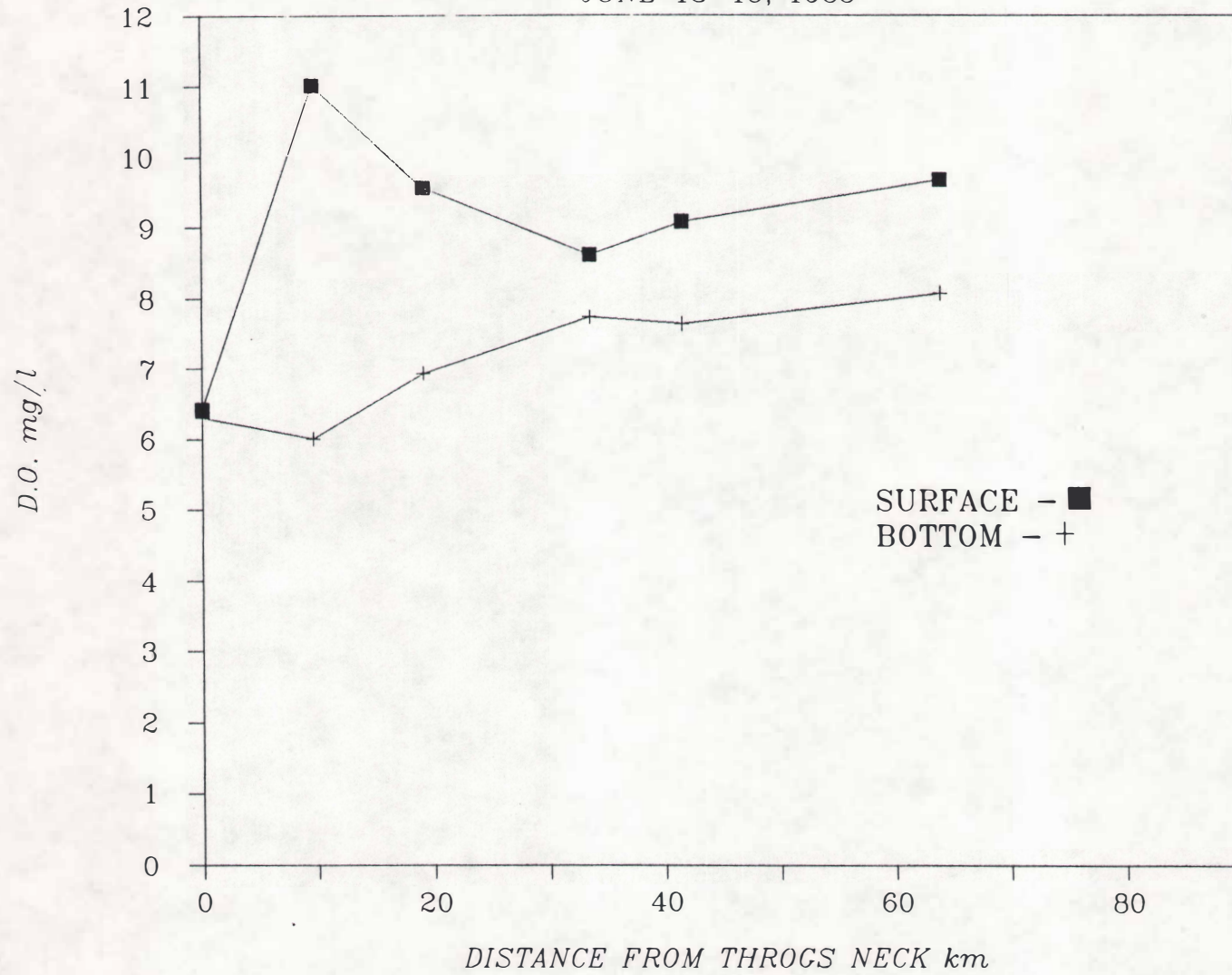


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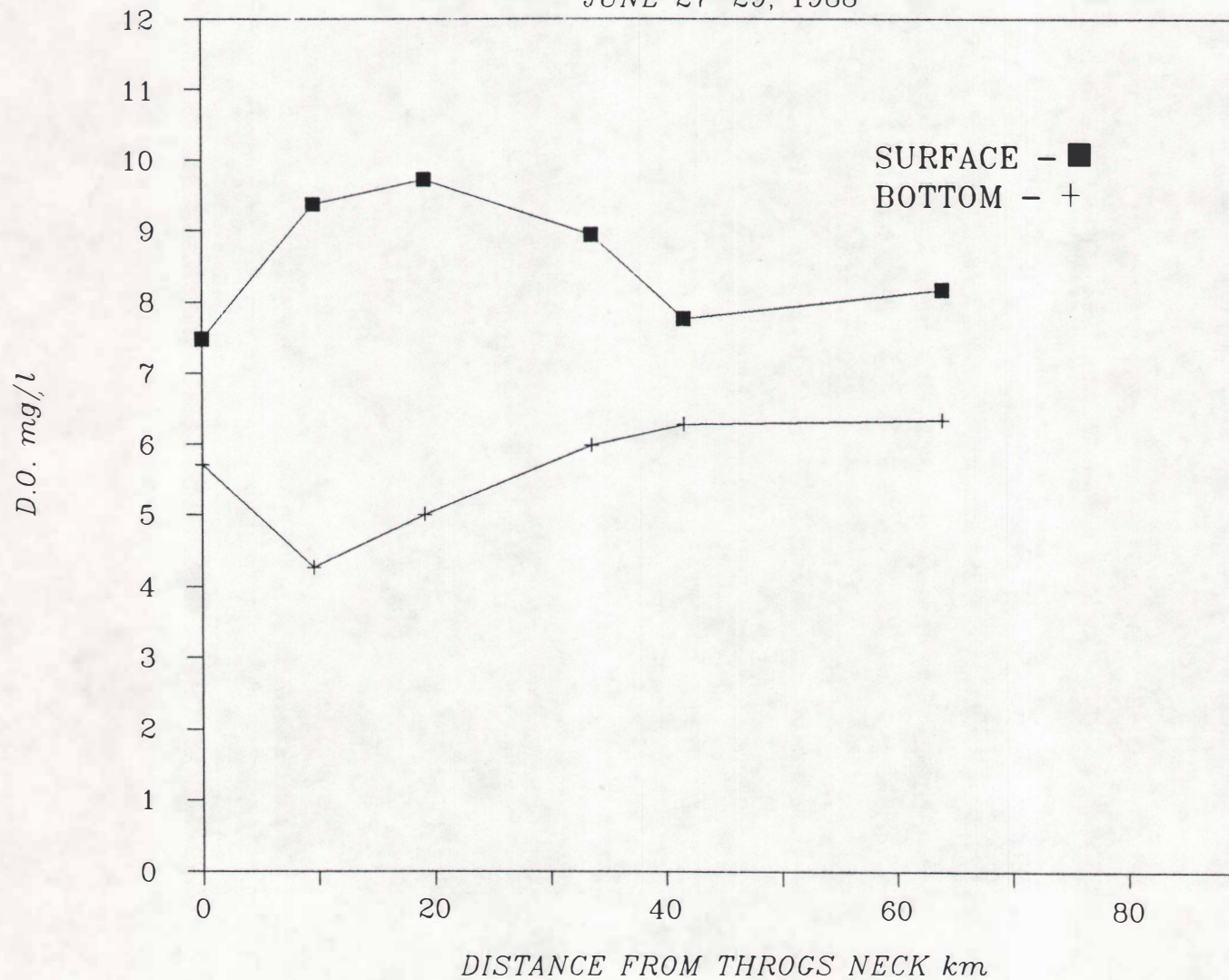


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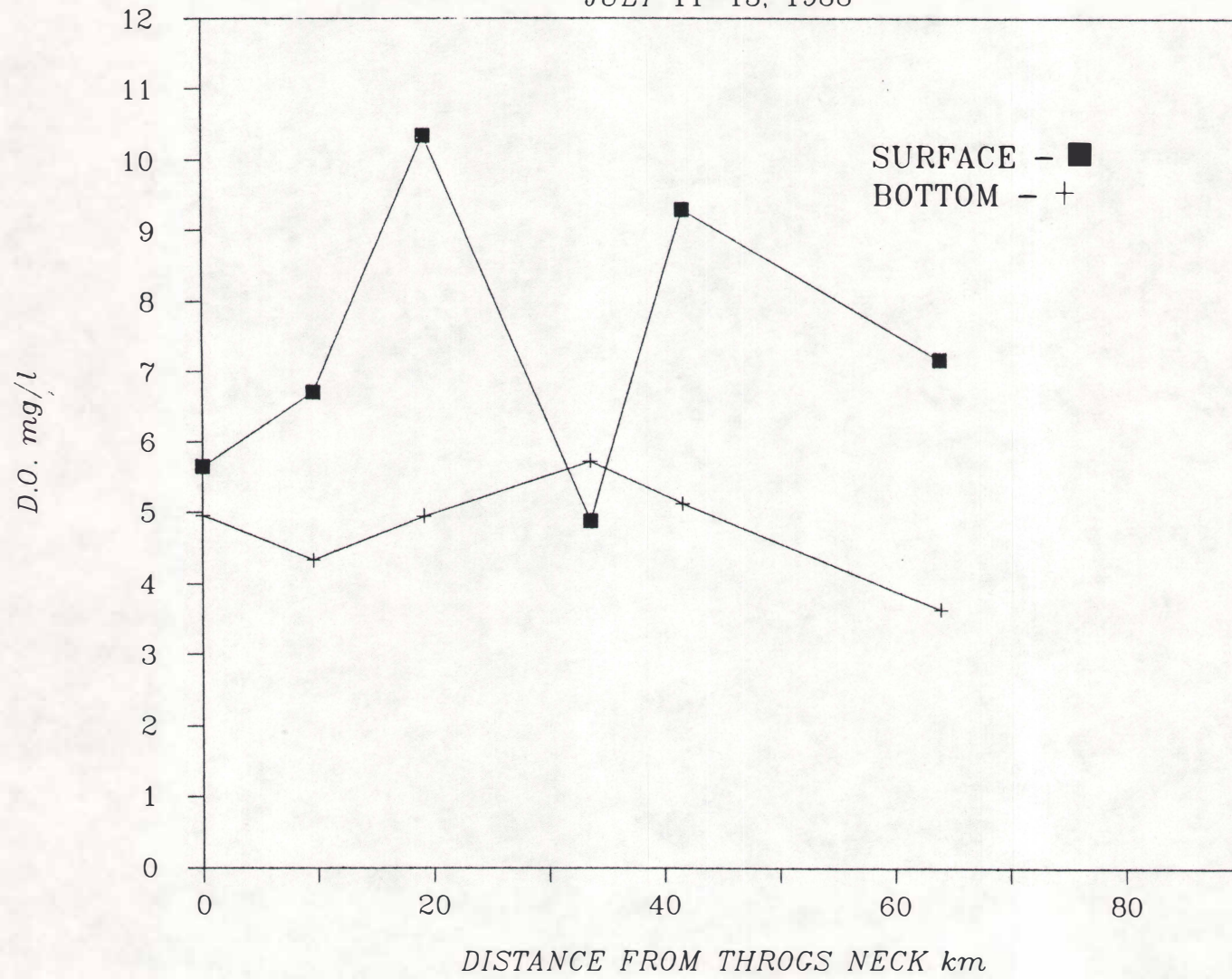


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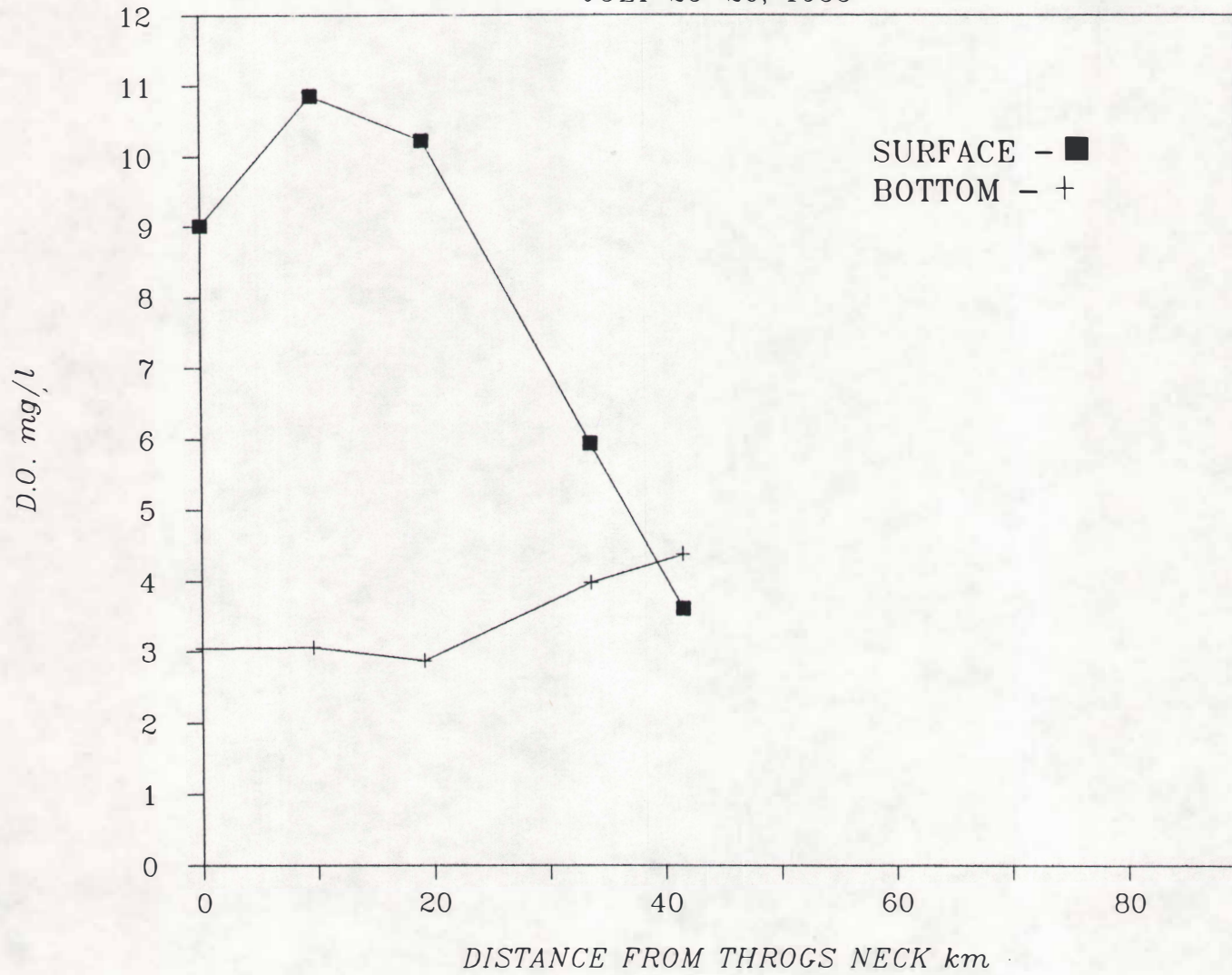


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AUGUST 2-4, 1988

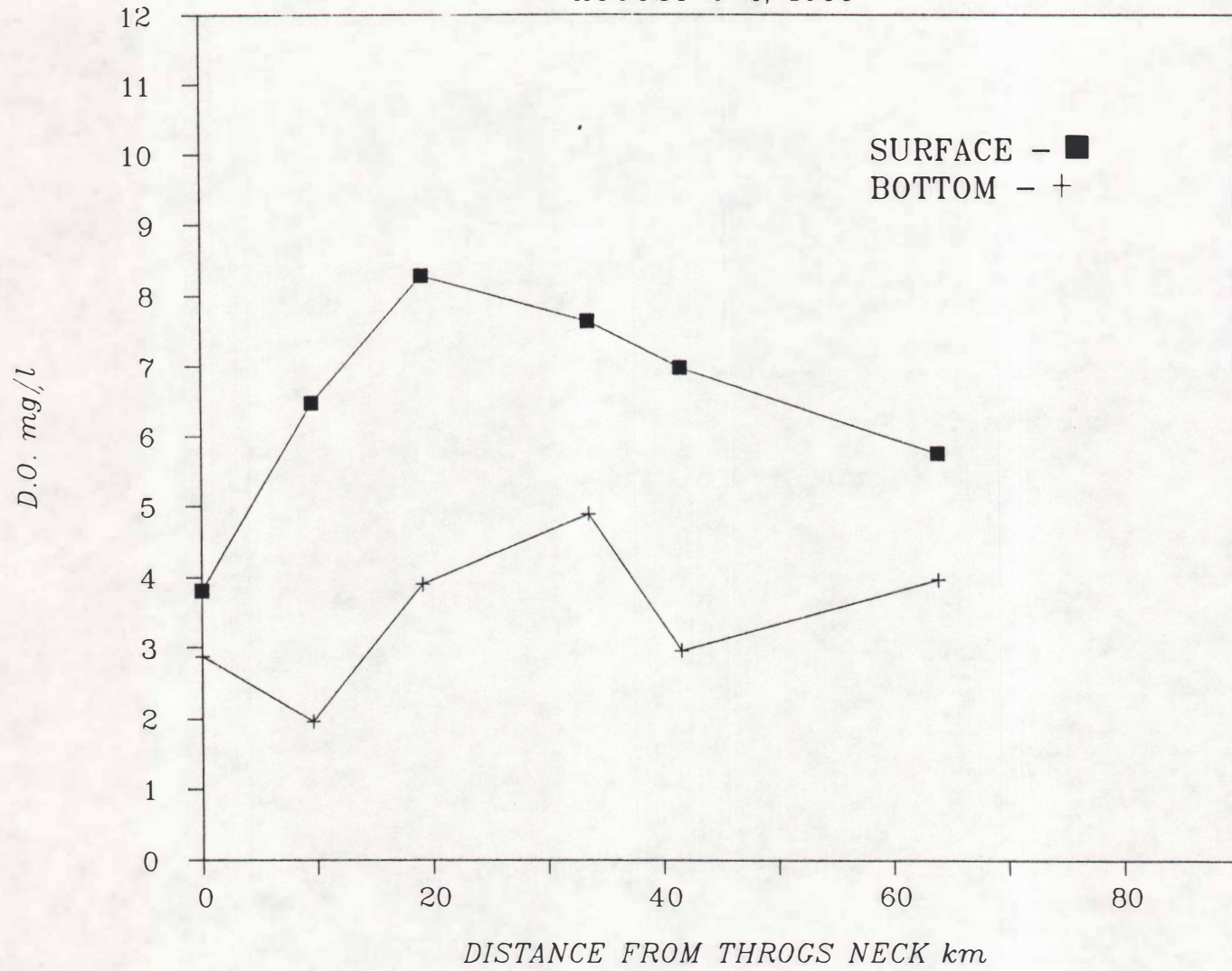


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DISSOLVED OXYGEN mg/l

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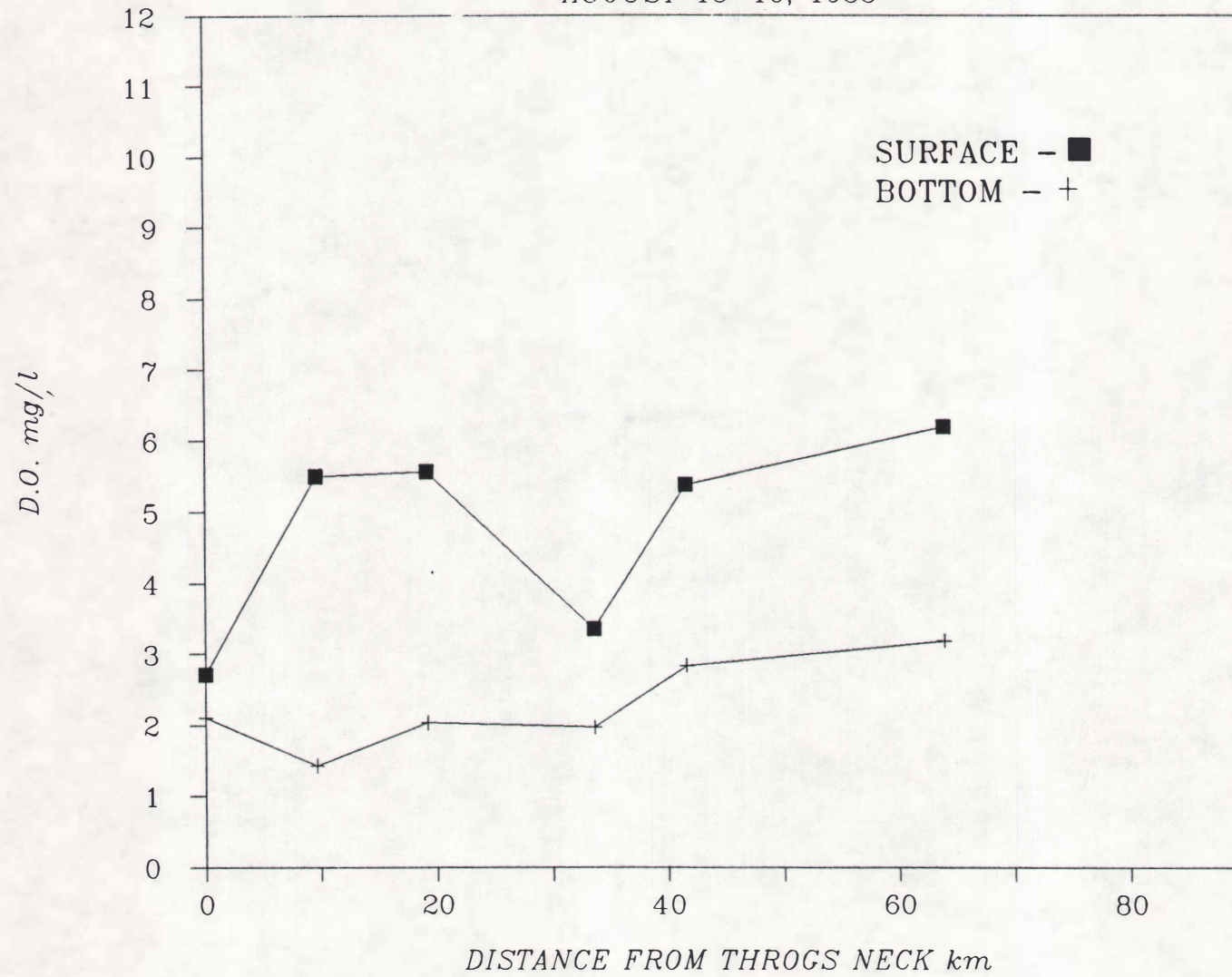
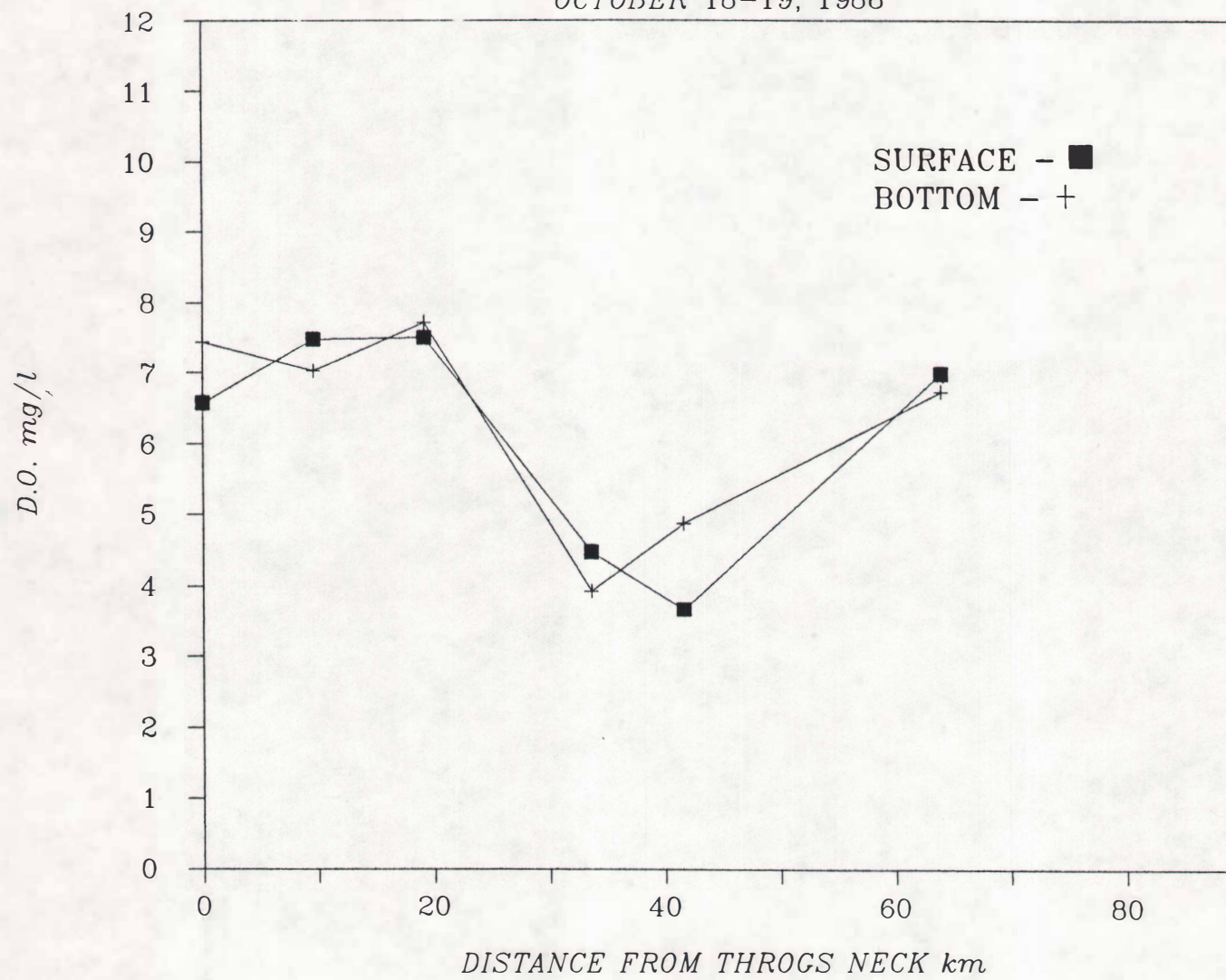


Figure 12

DISSOLVED OXYGEN mg/l

OCTOBER 18-19, 1988



DISSOLVED OXYGEN mg/l

NOVEMBER 16, 1988

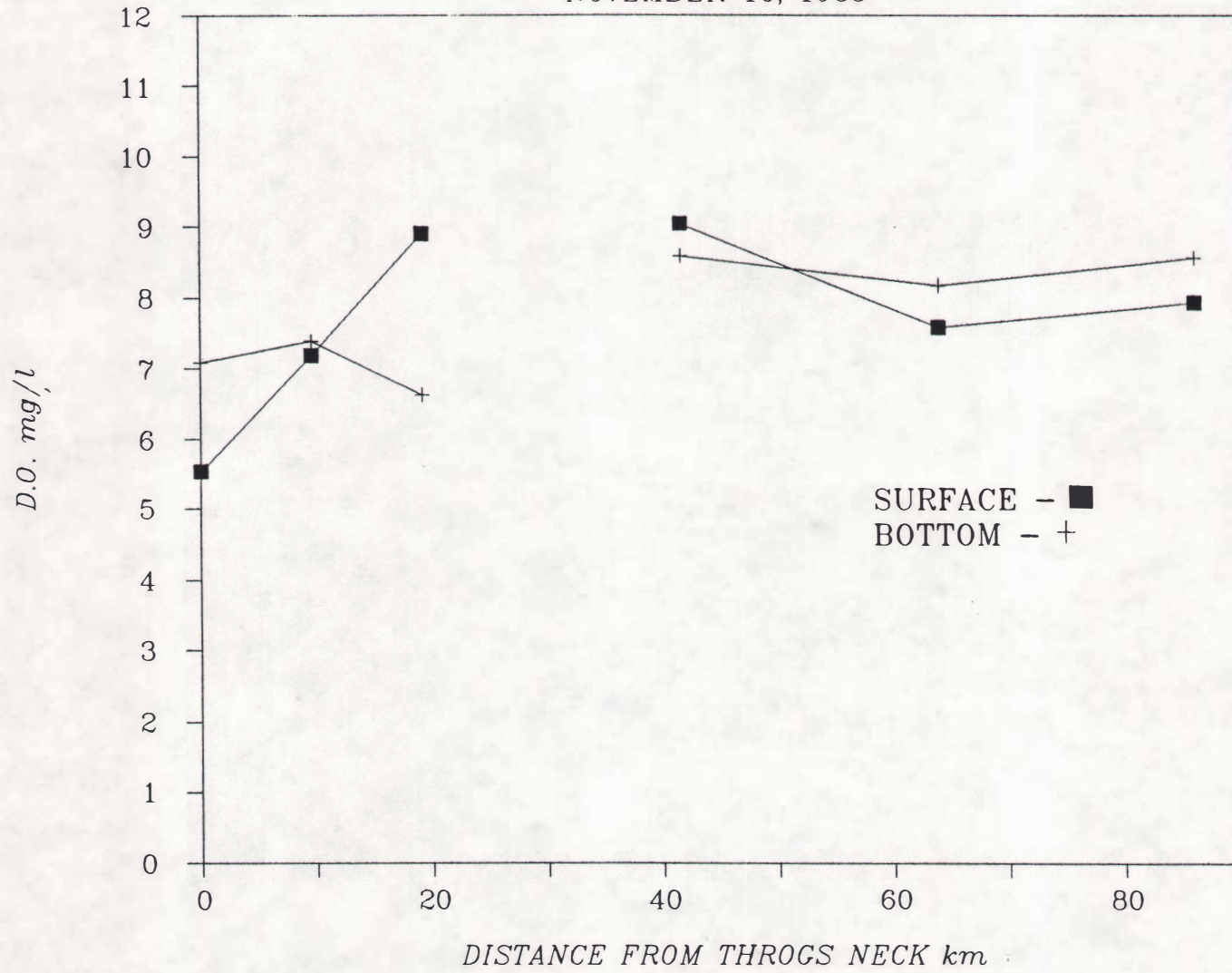


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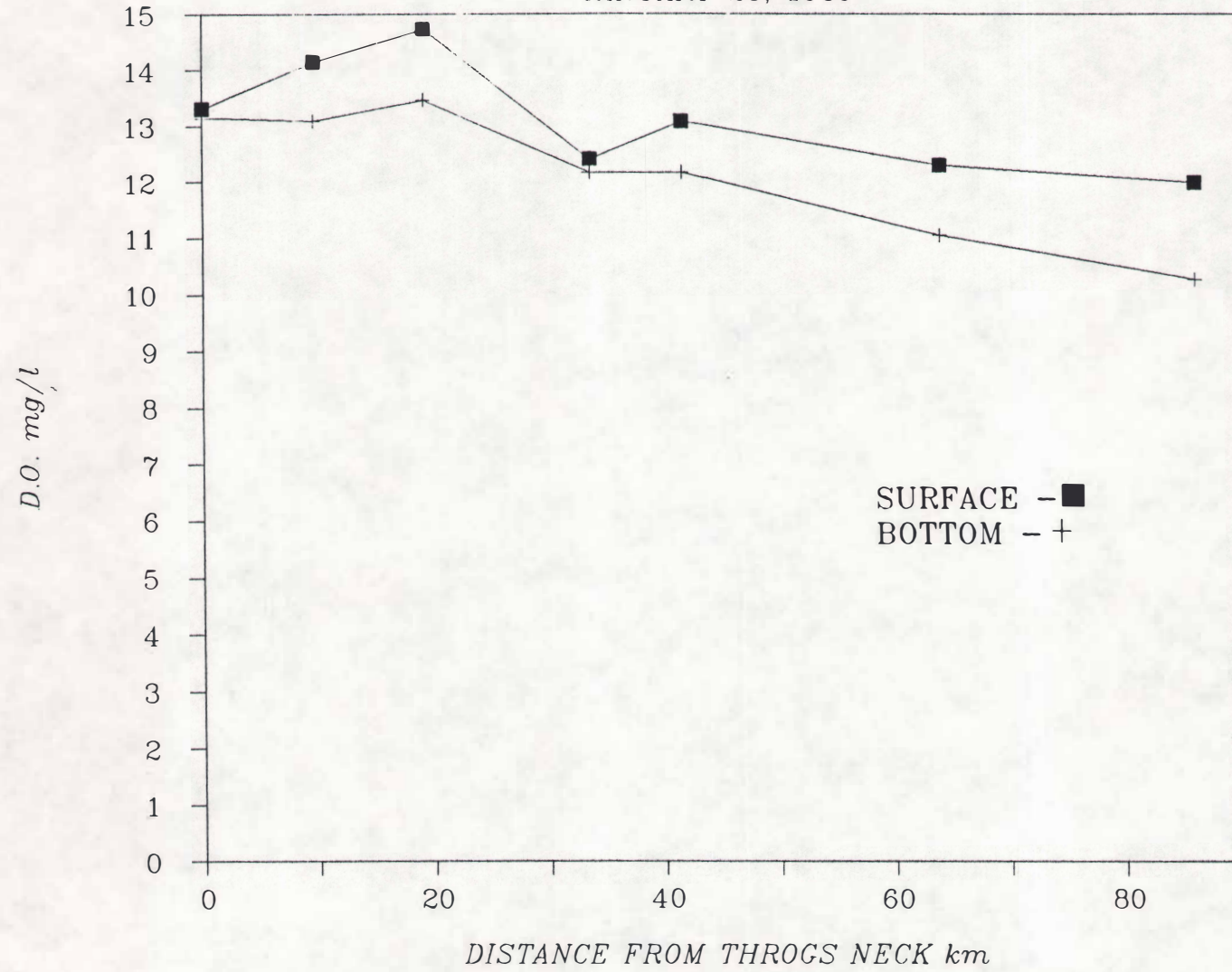


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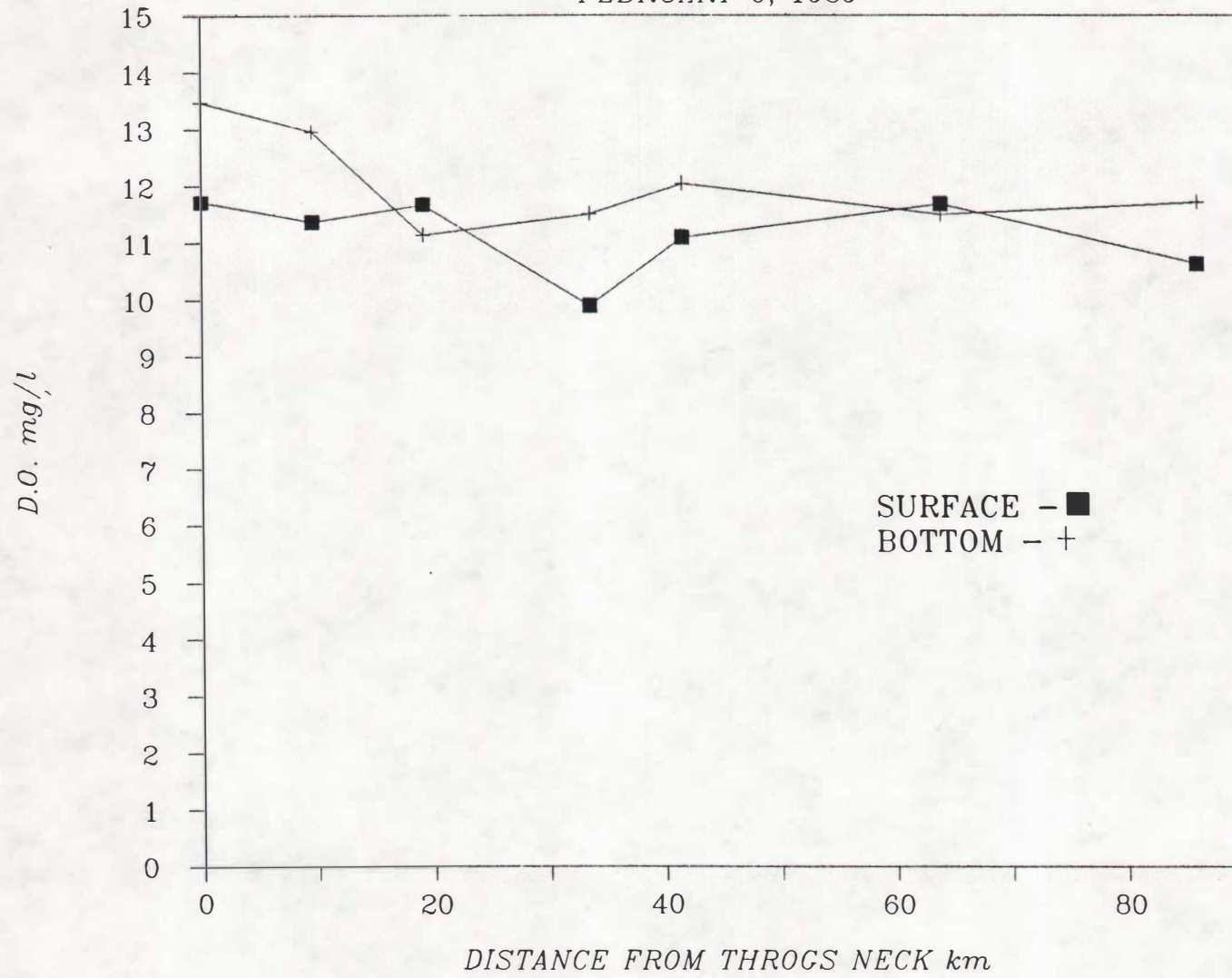


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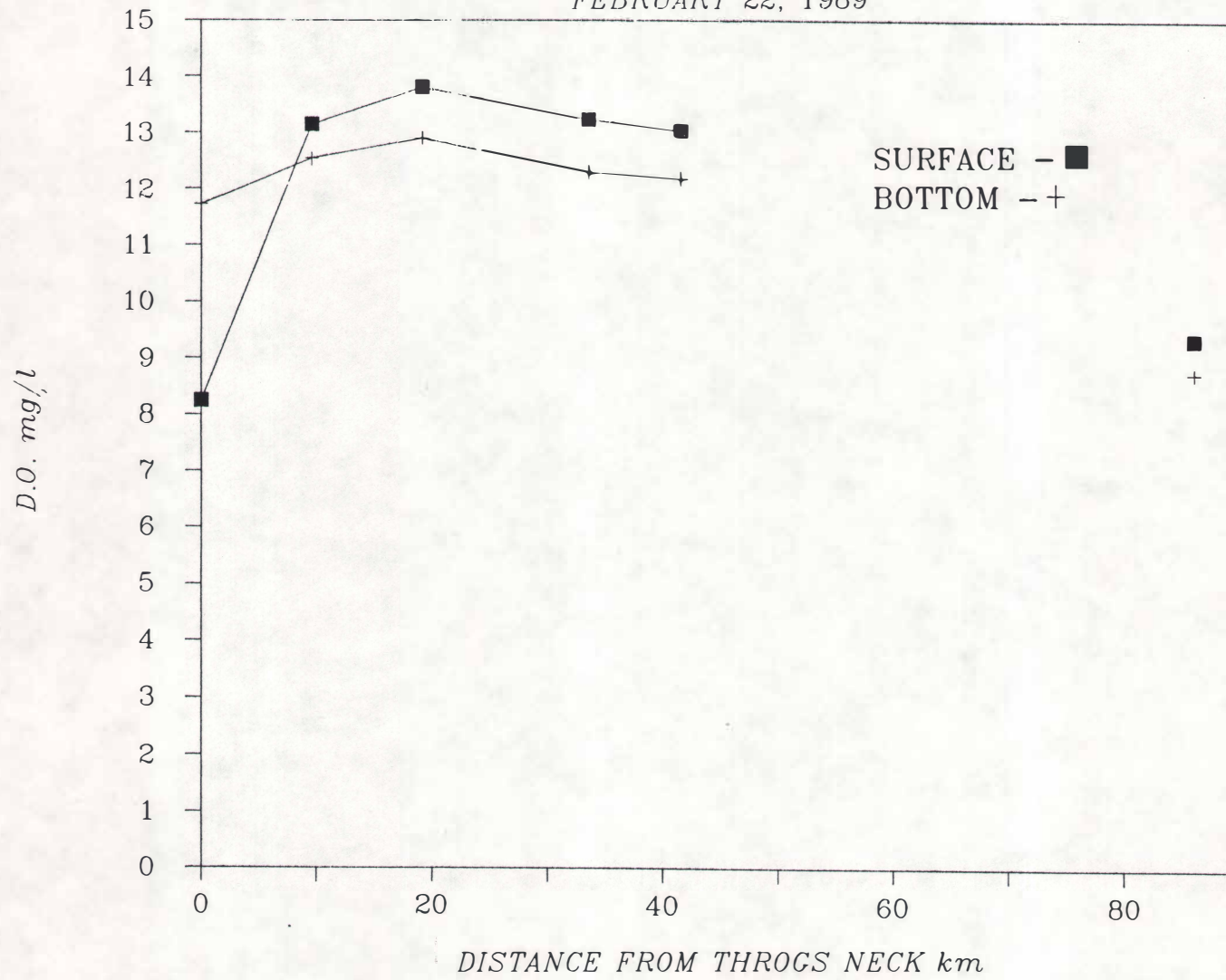


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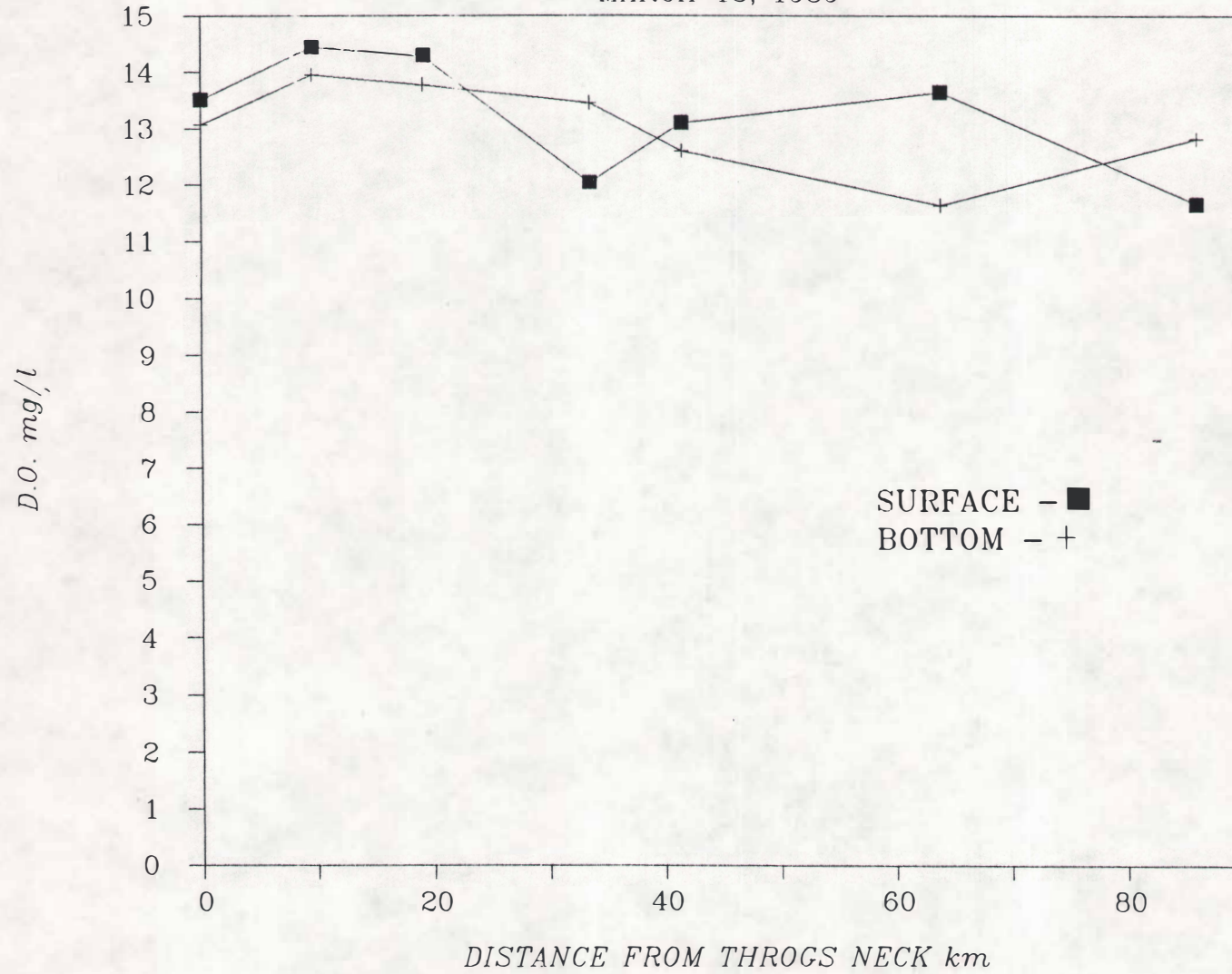


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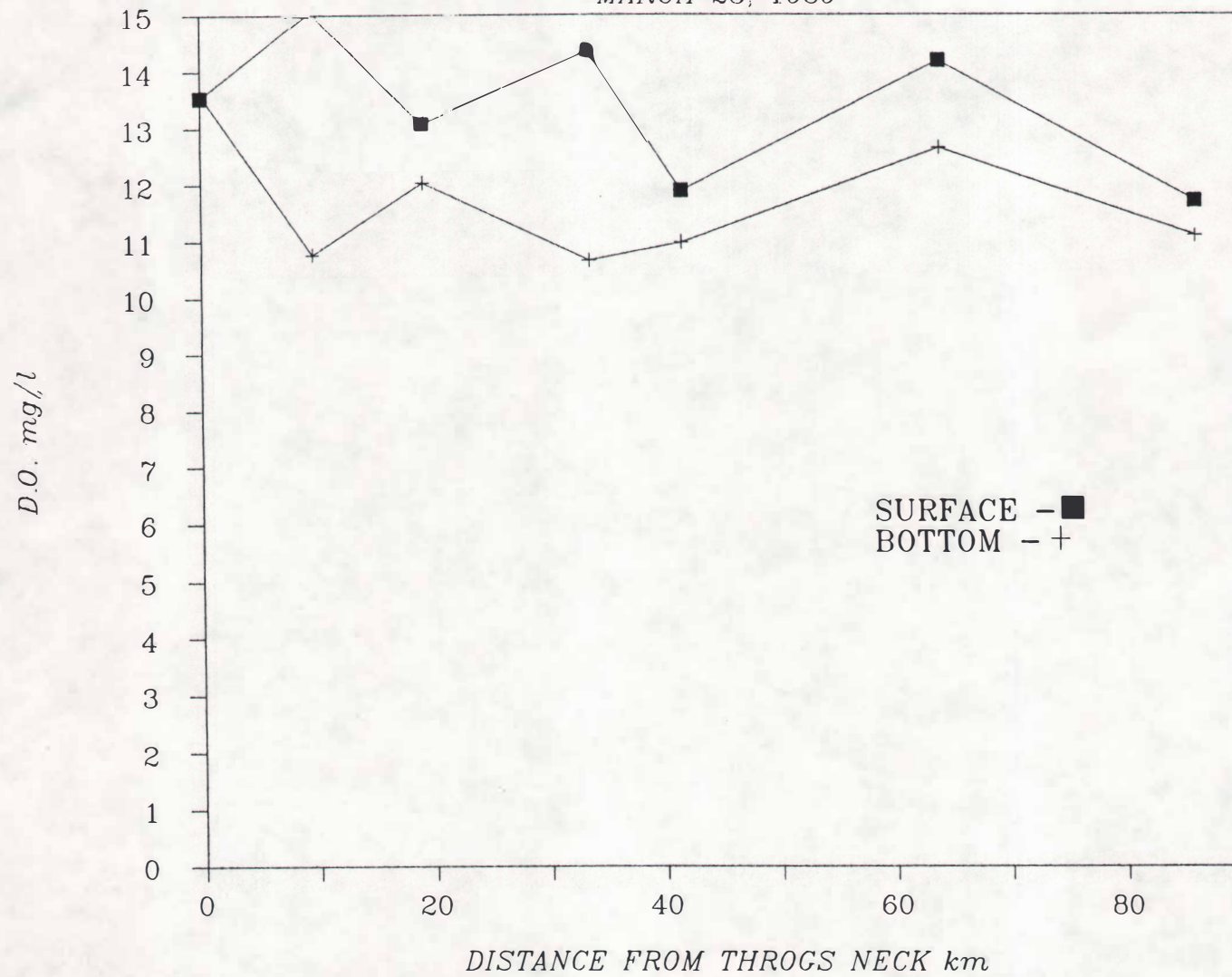


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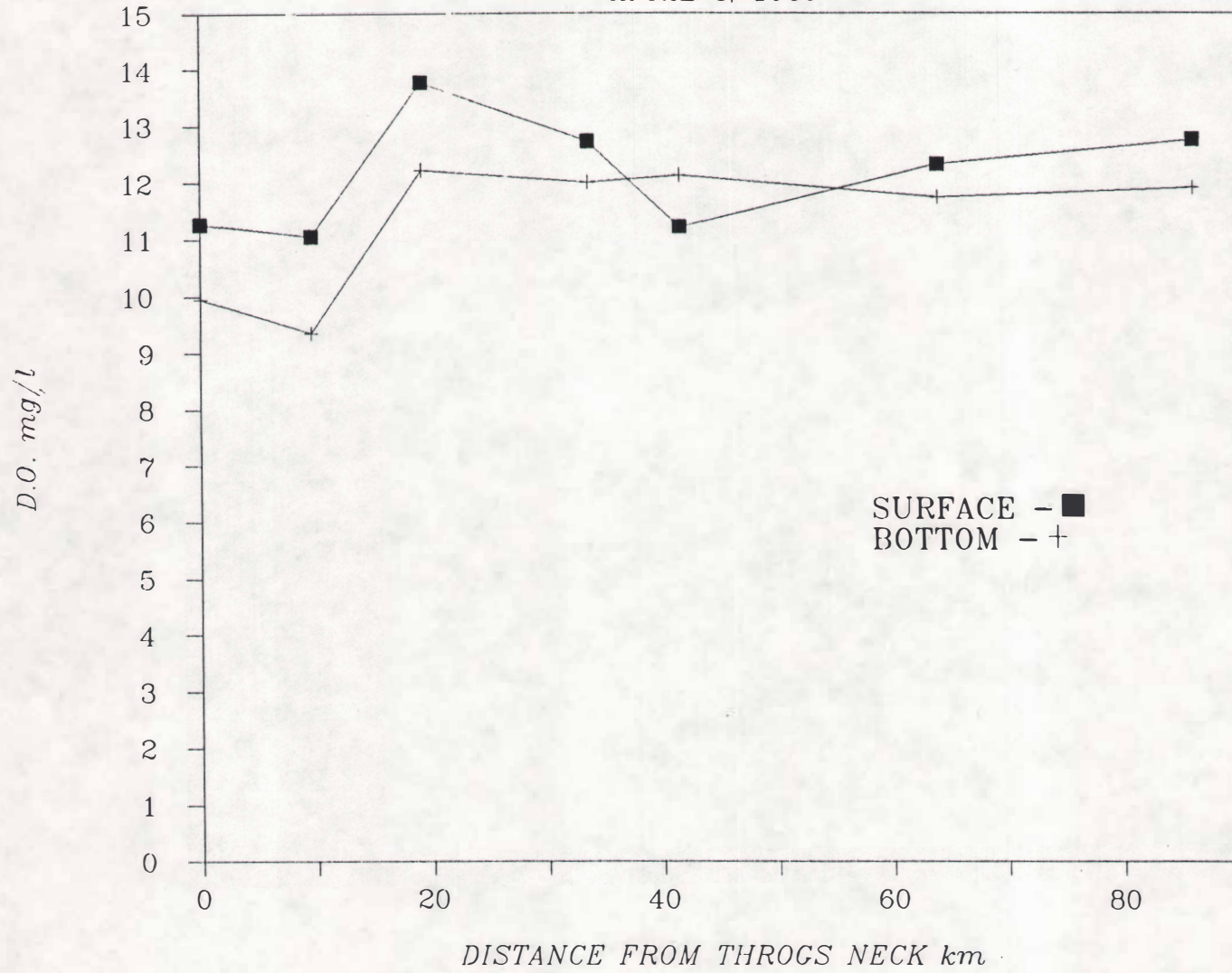


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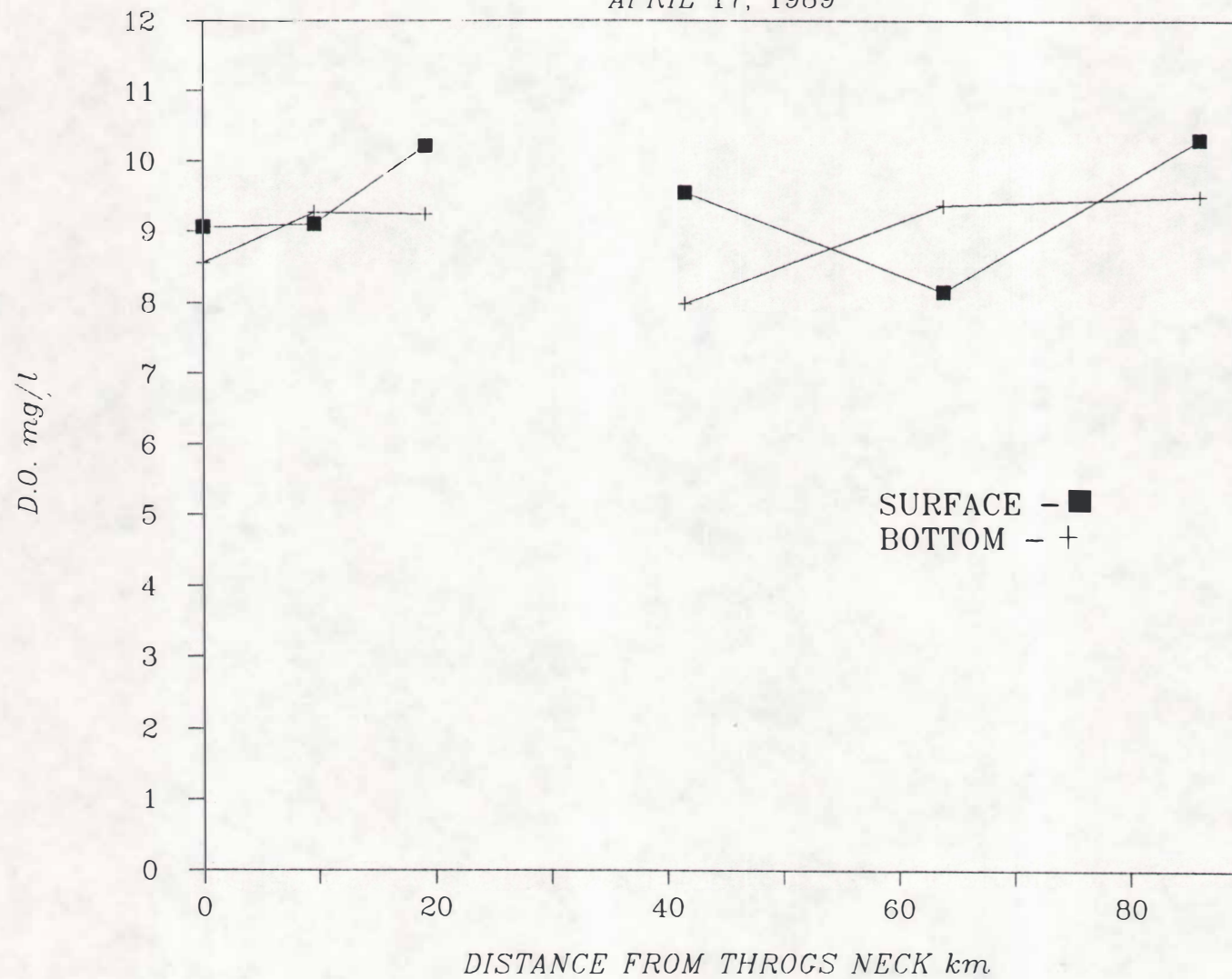


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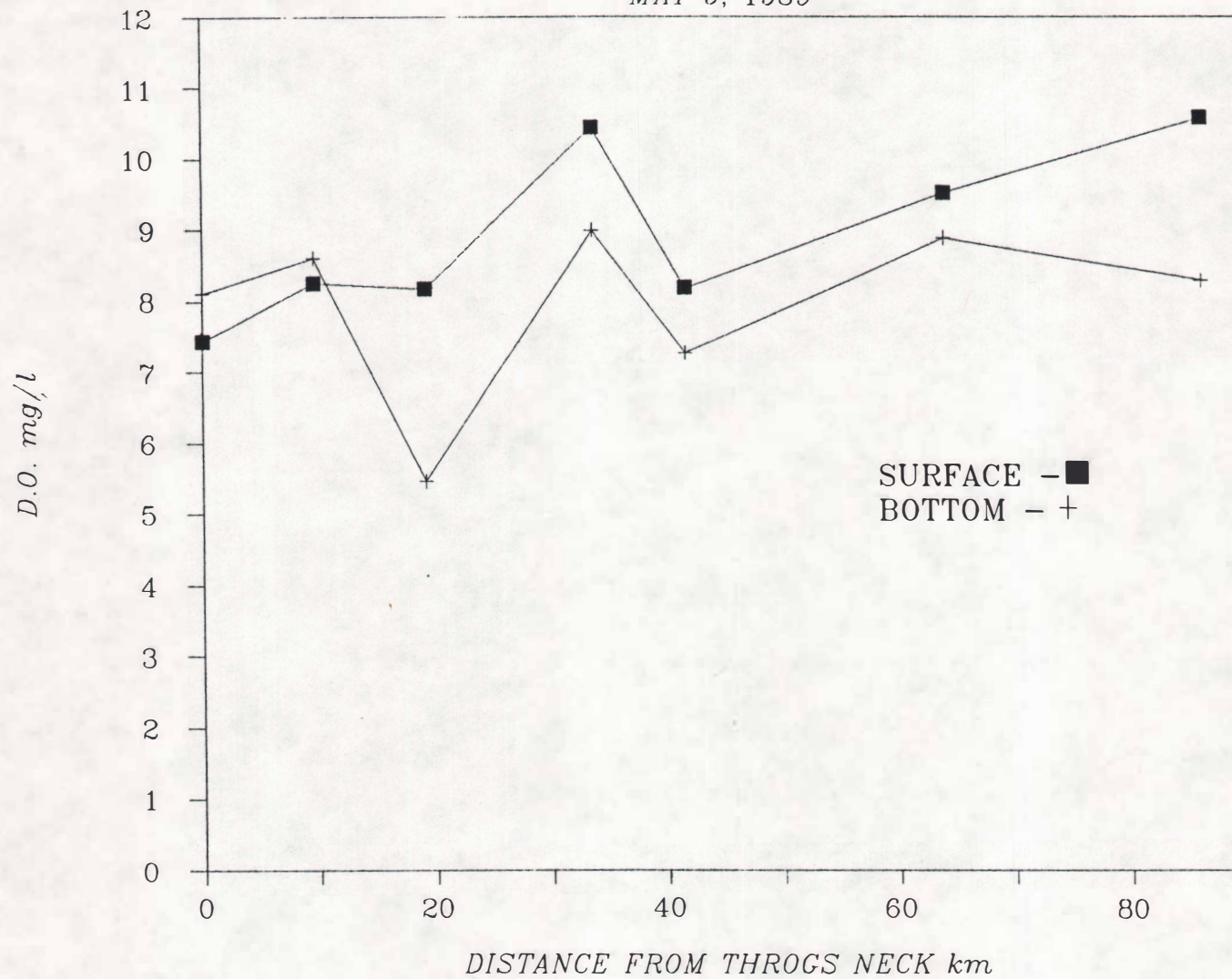


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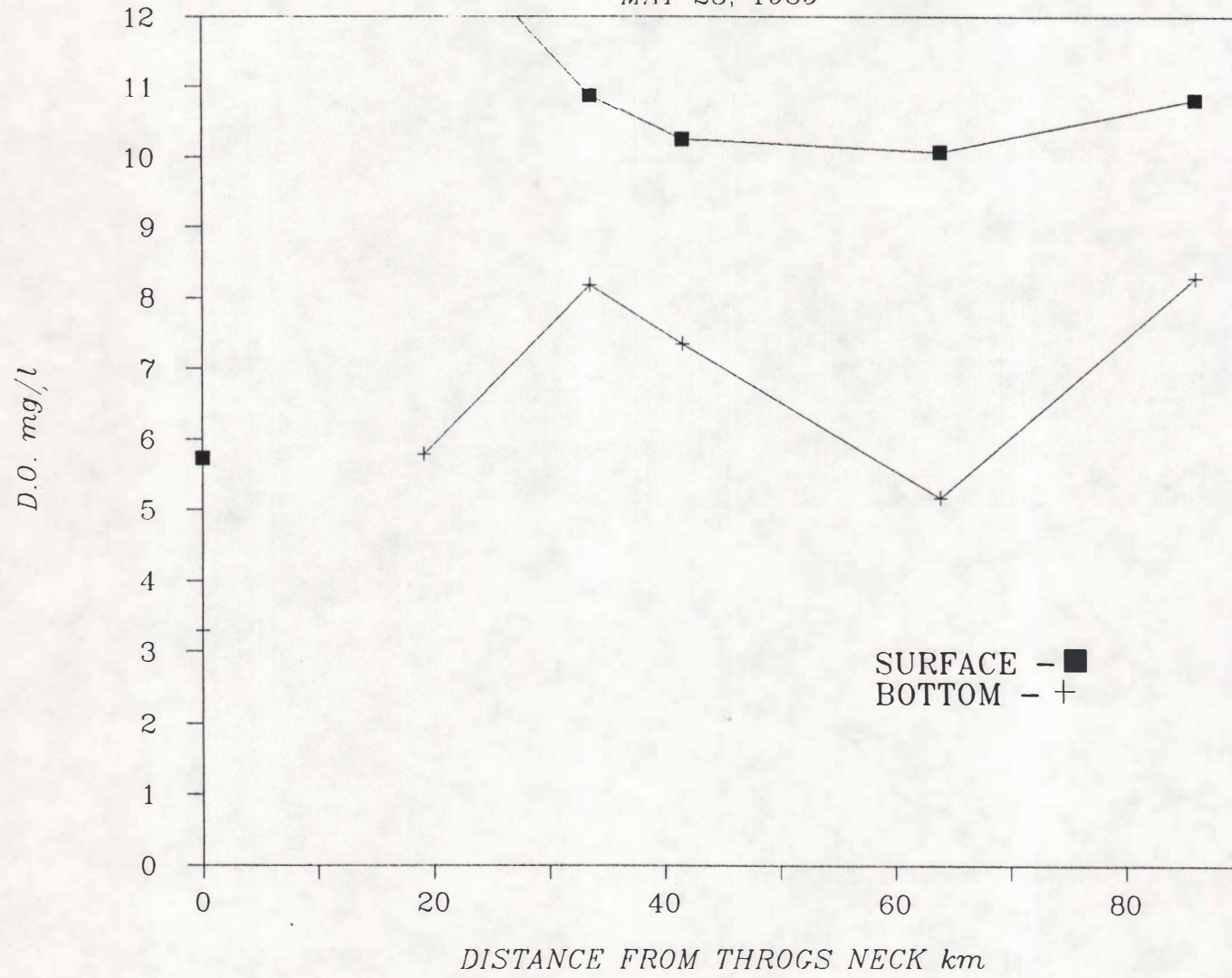


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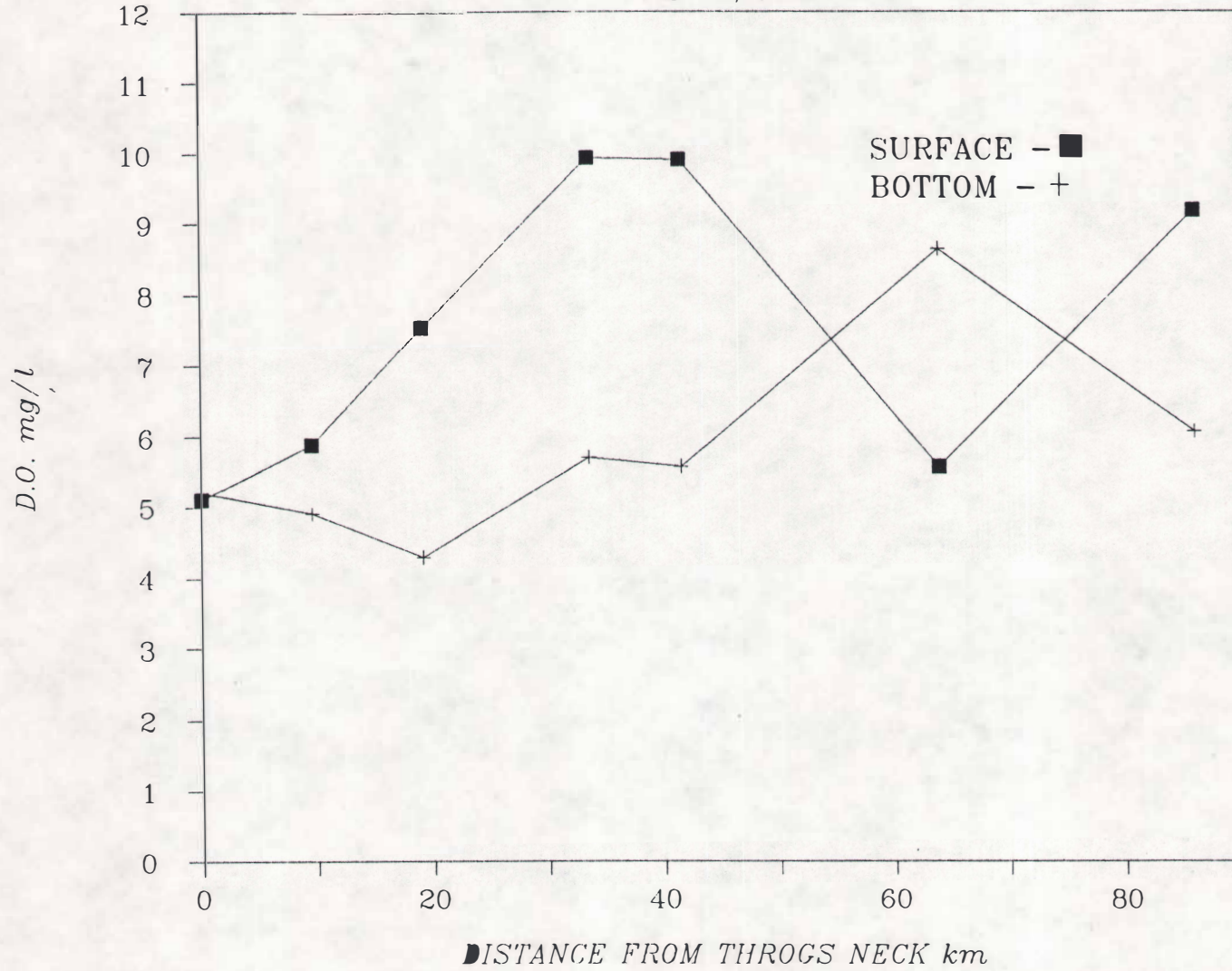


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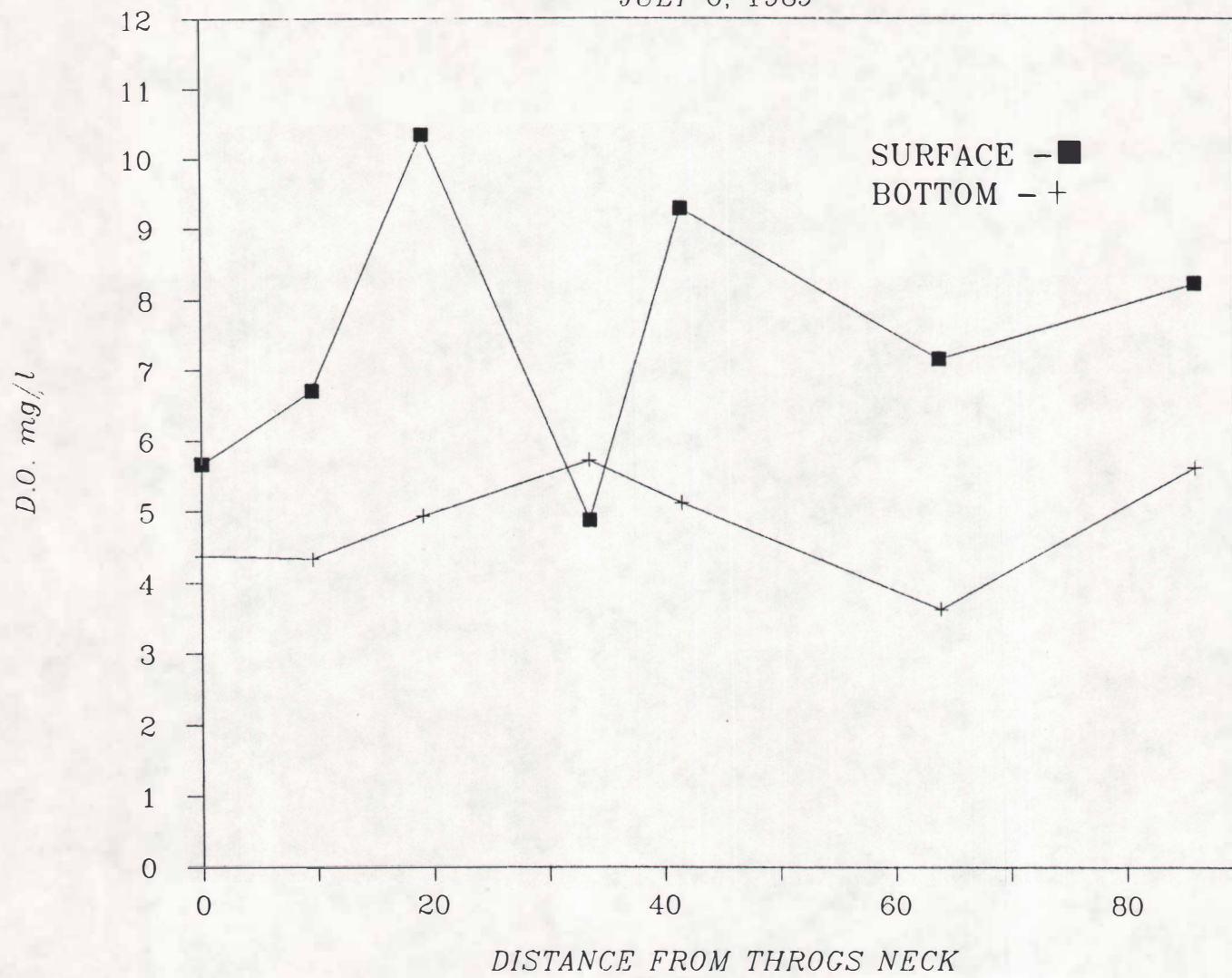


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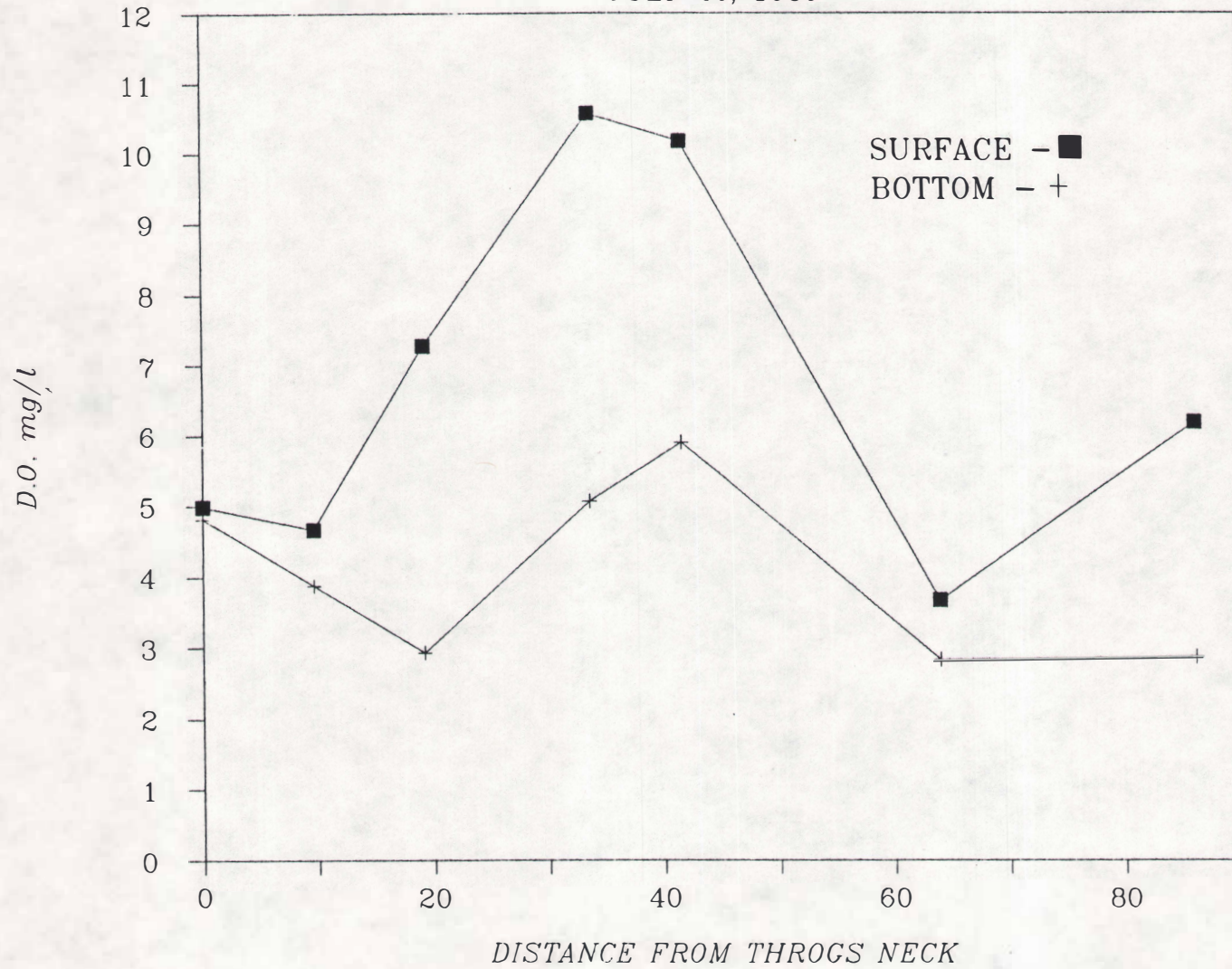


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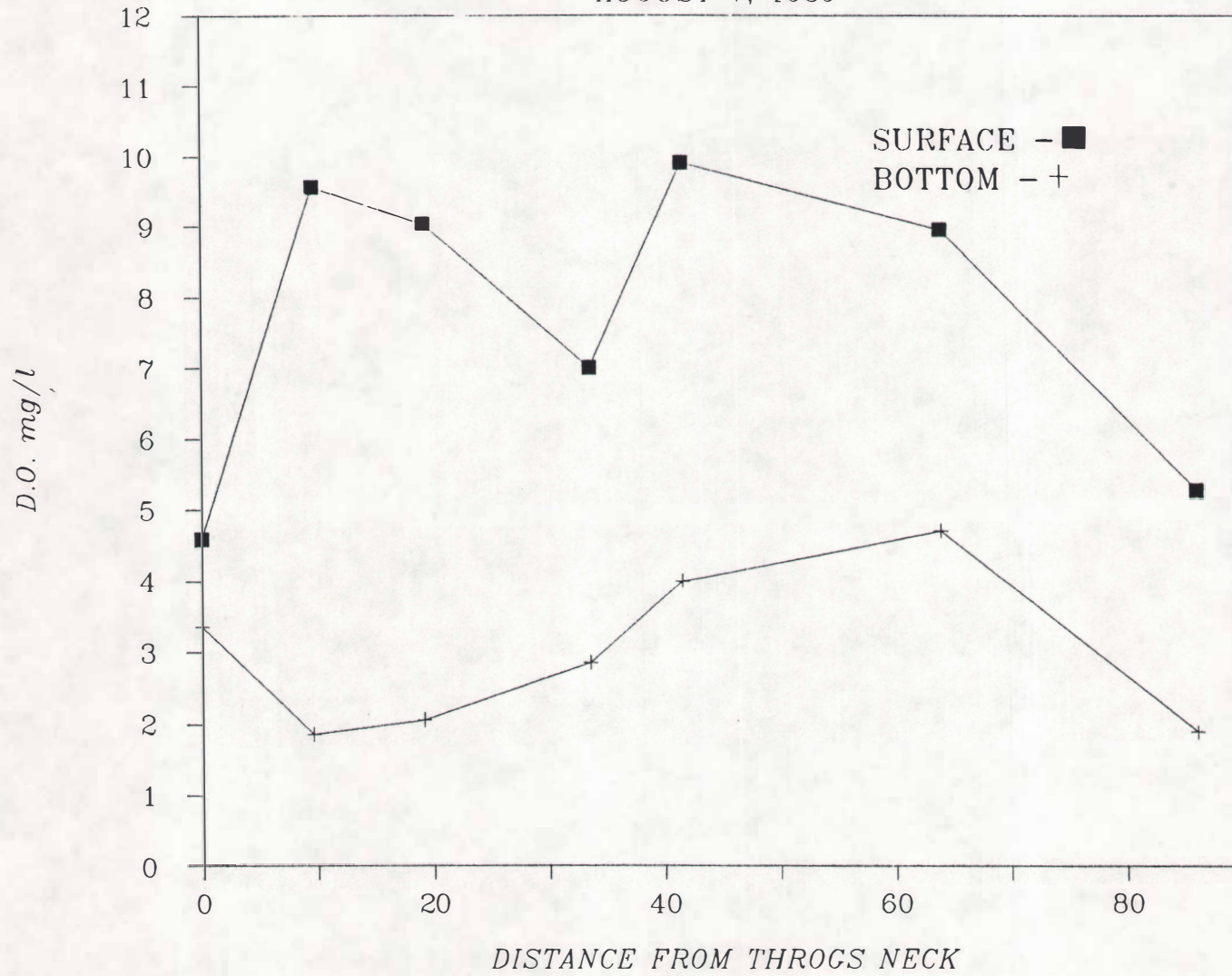


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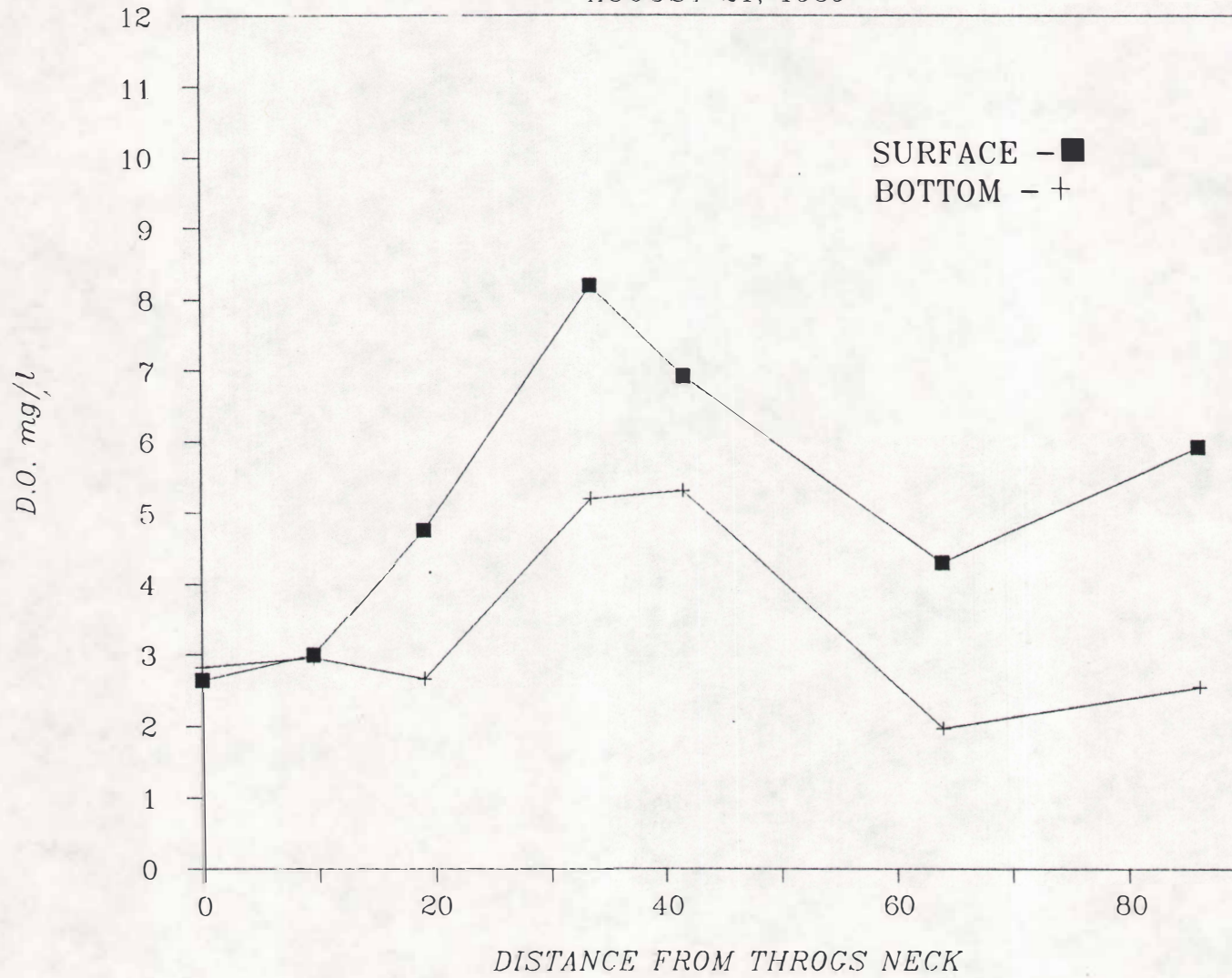


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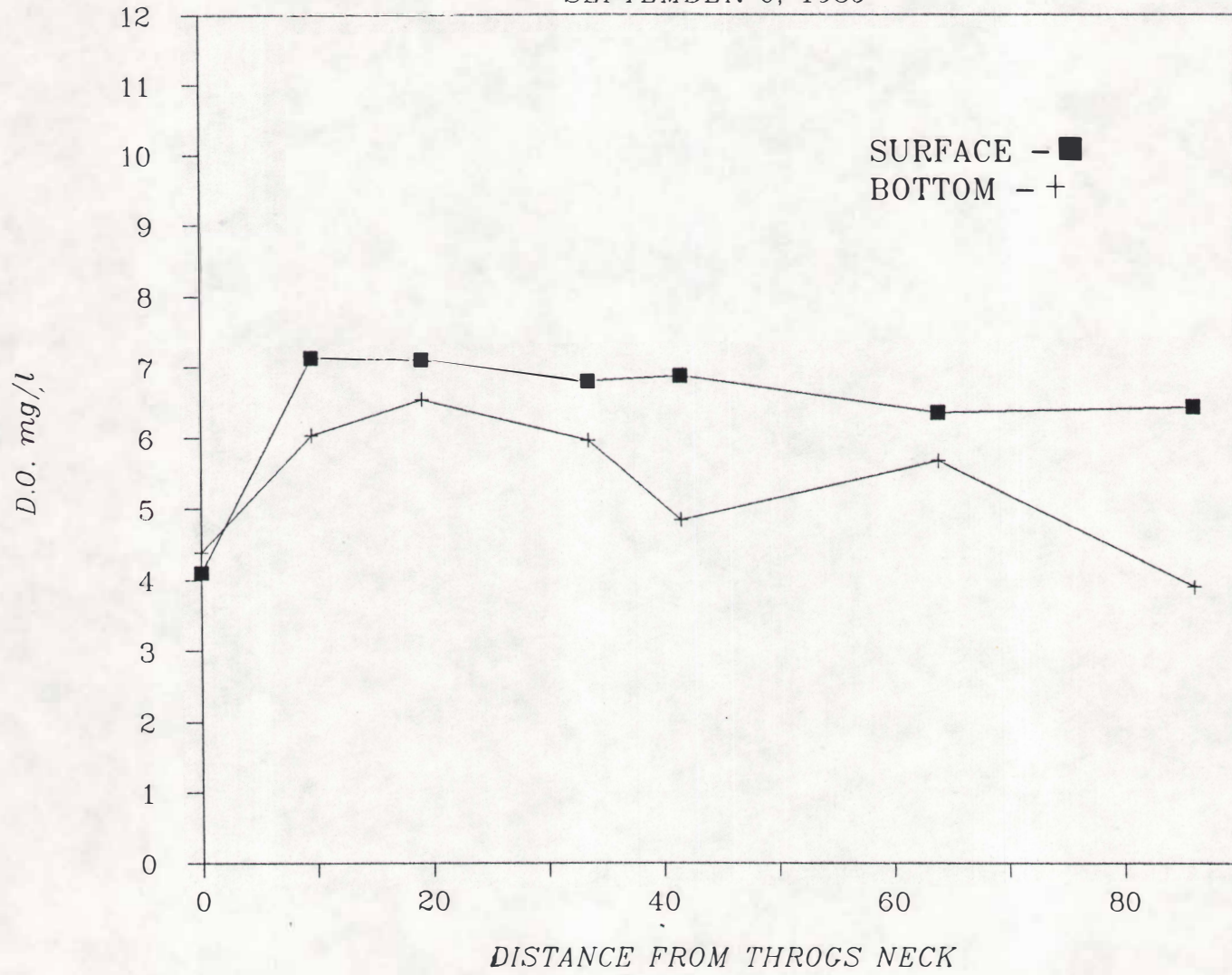


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SURFACE DISSOLVED OXYGEN mg/l

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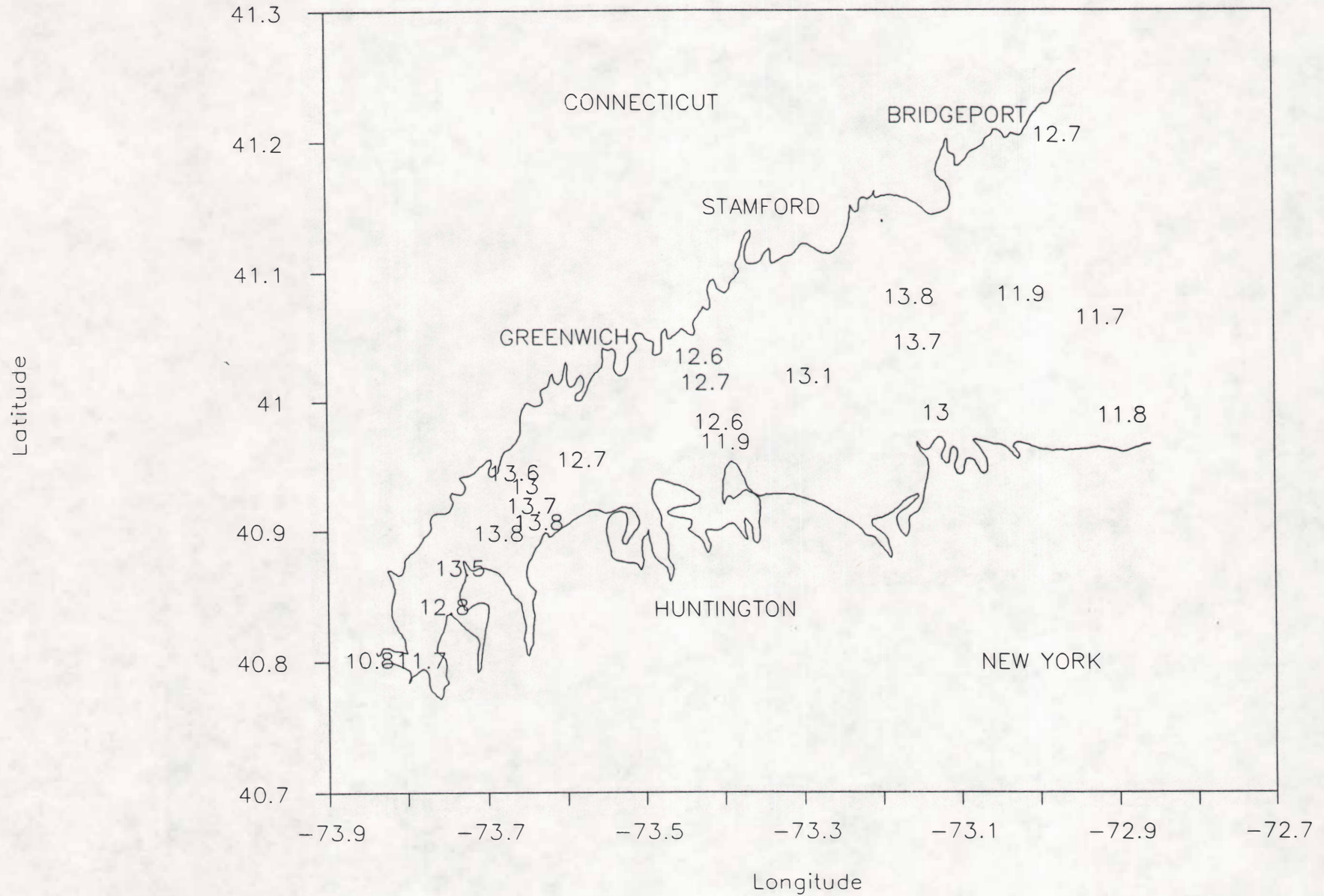


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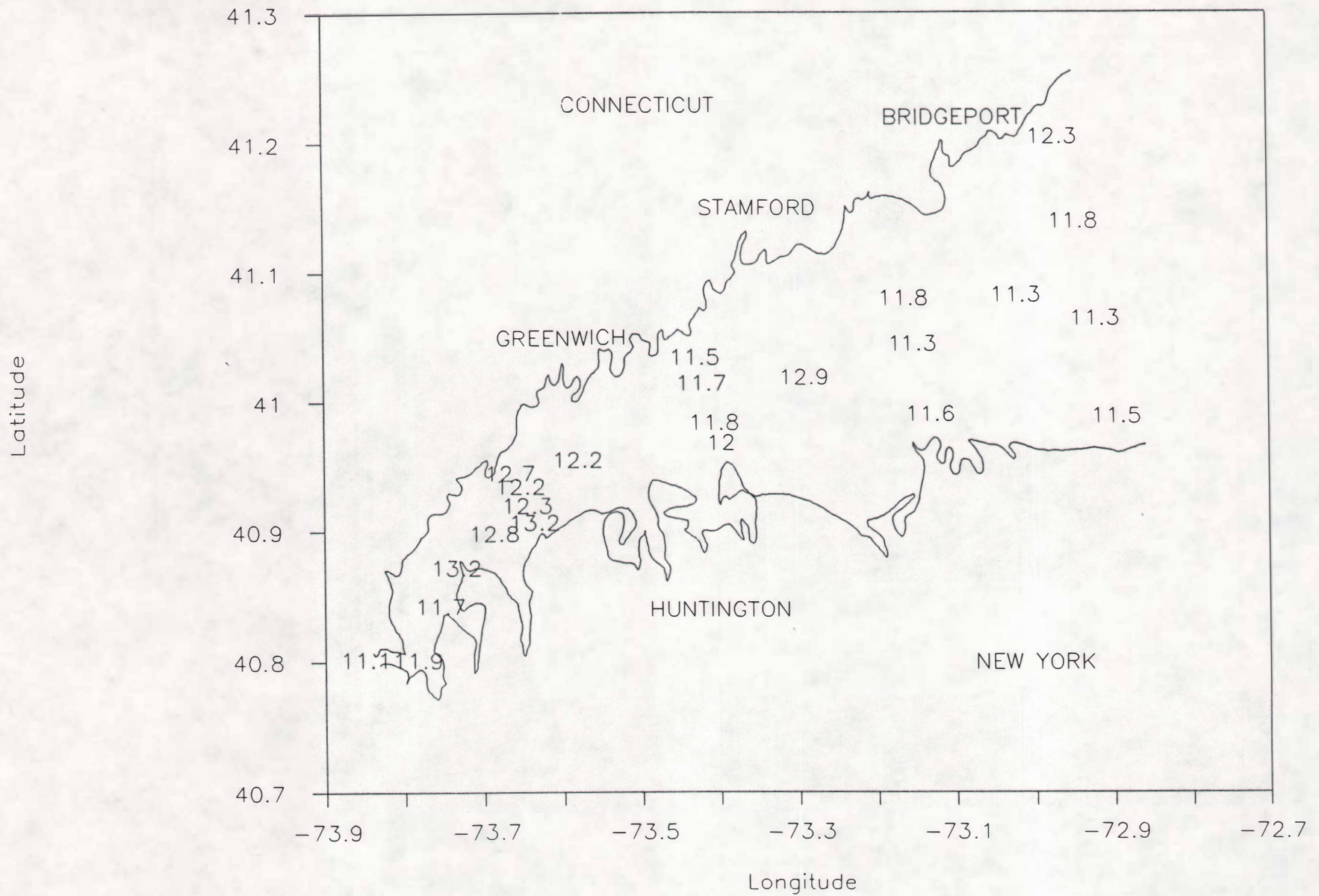


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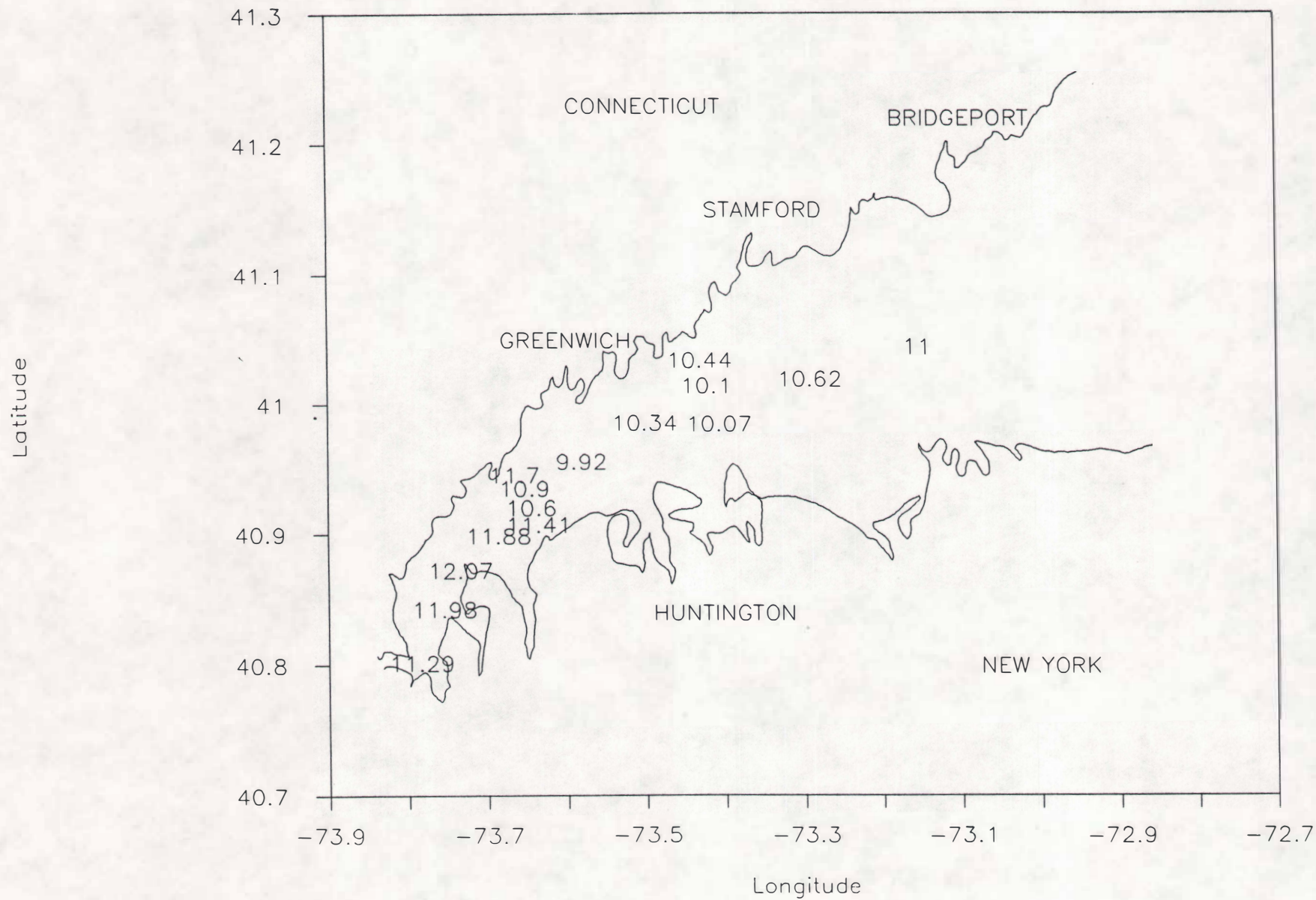


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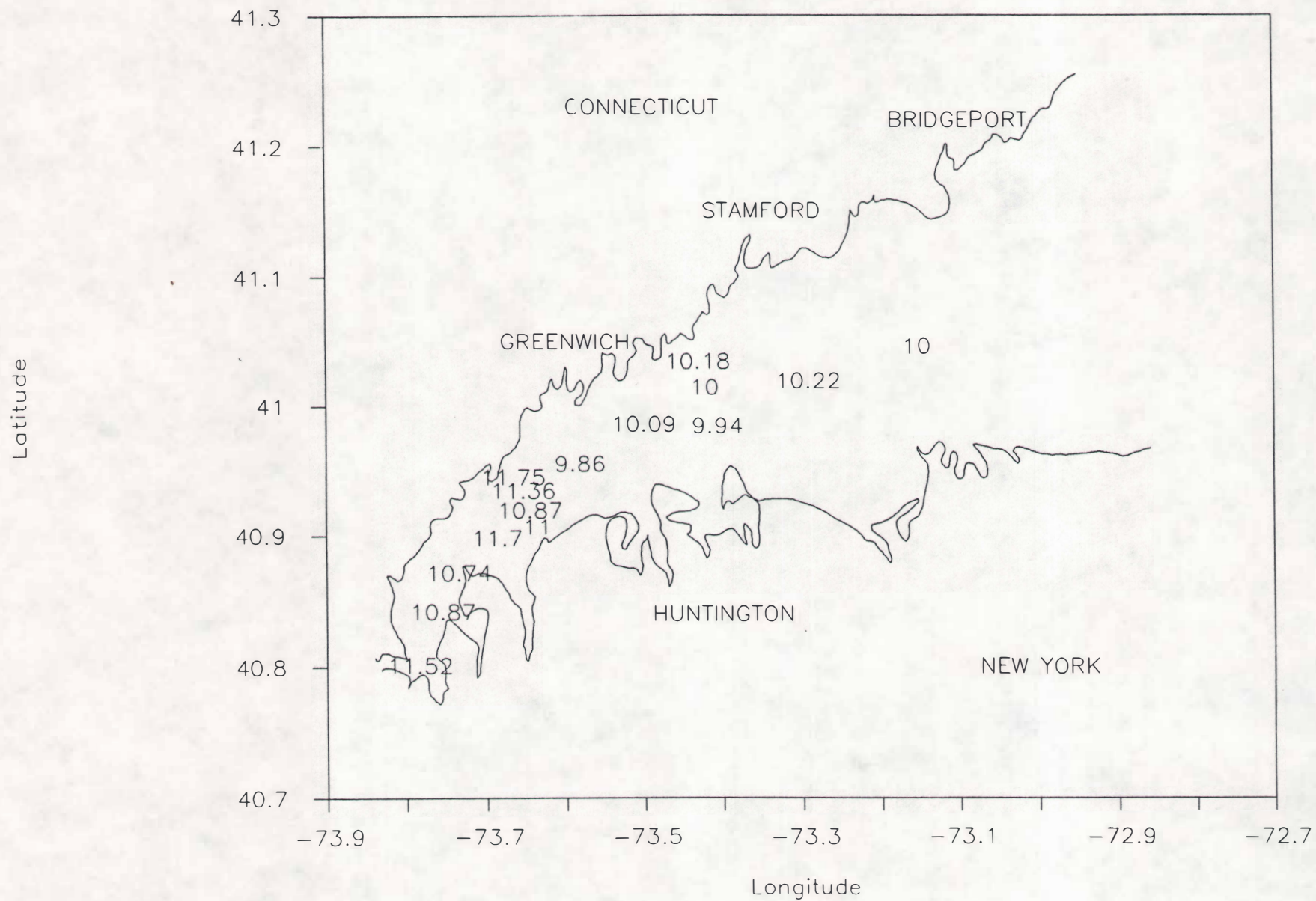


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SURFACE DISSOLVED OXYGEN mg/l

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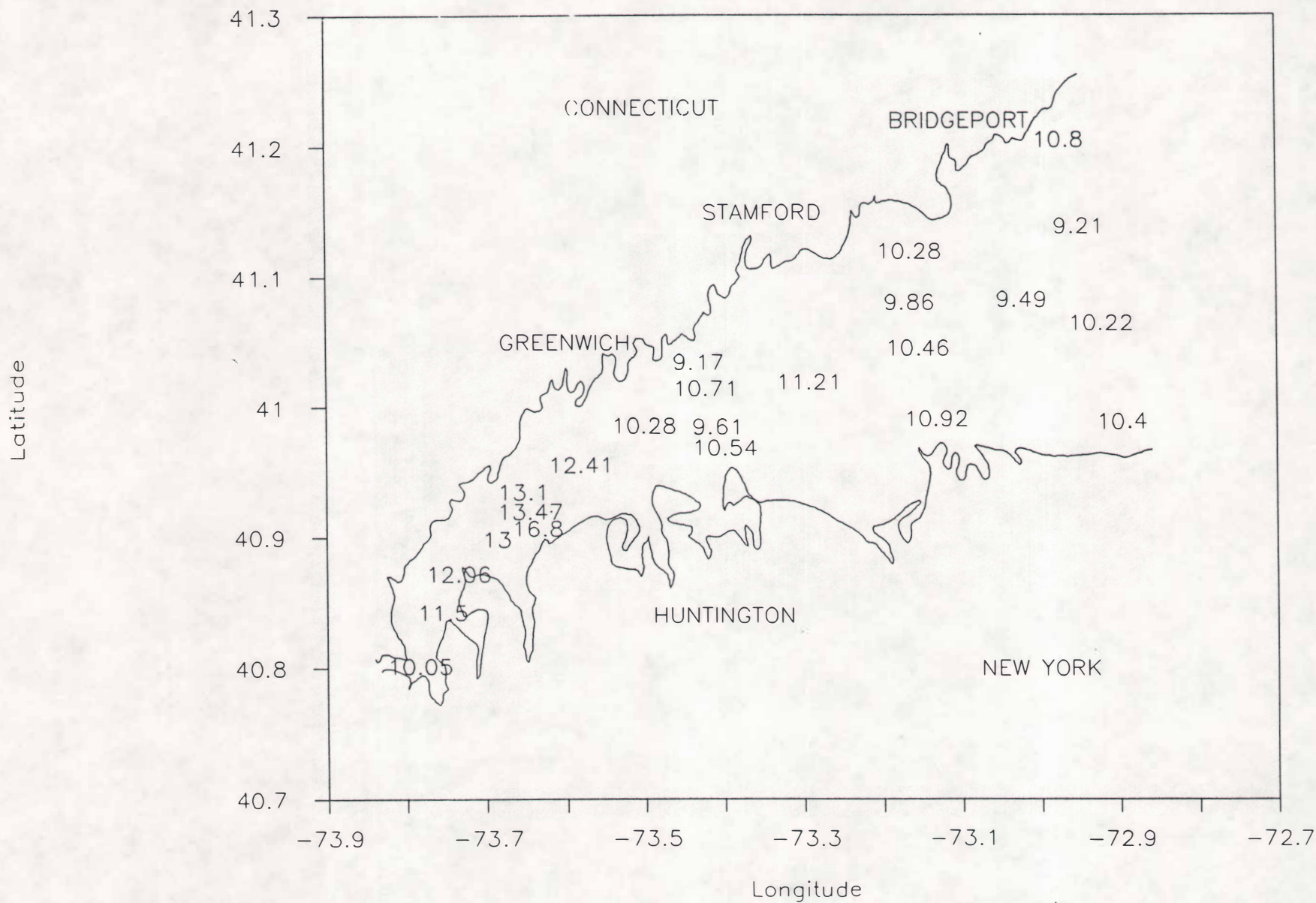


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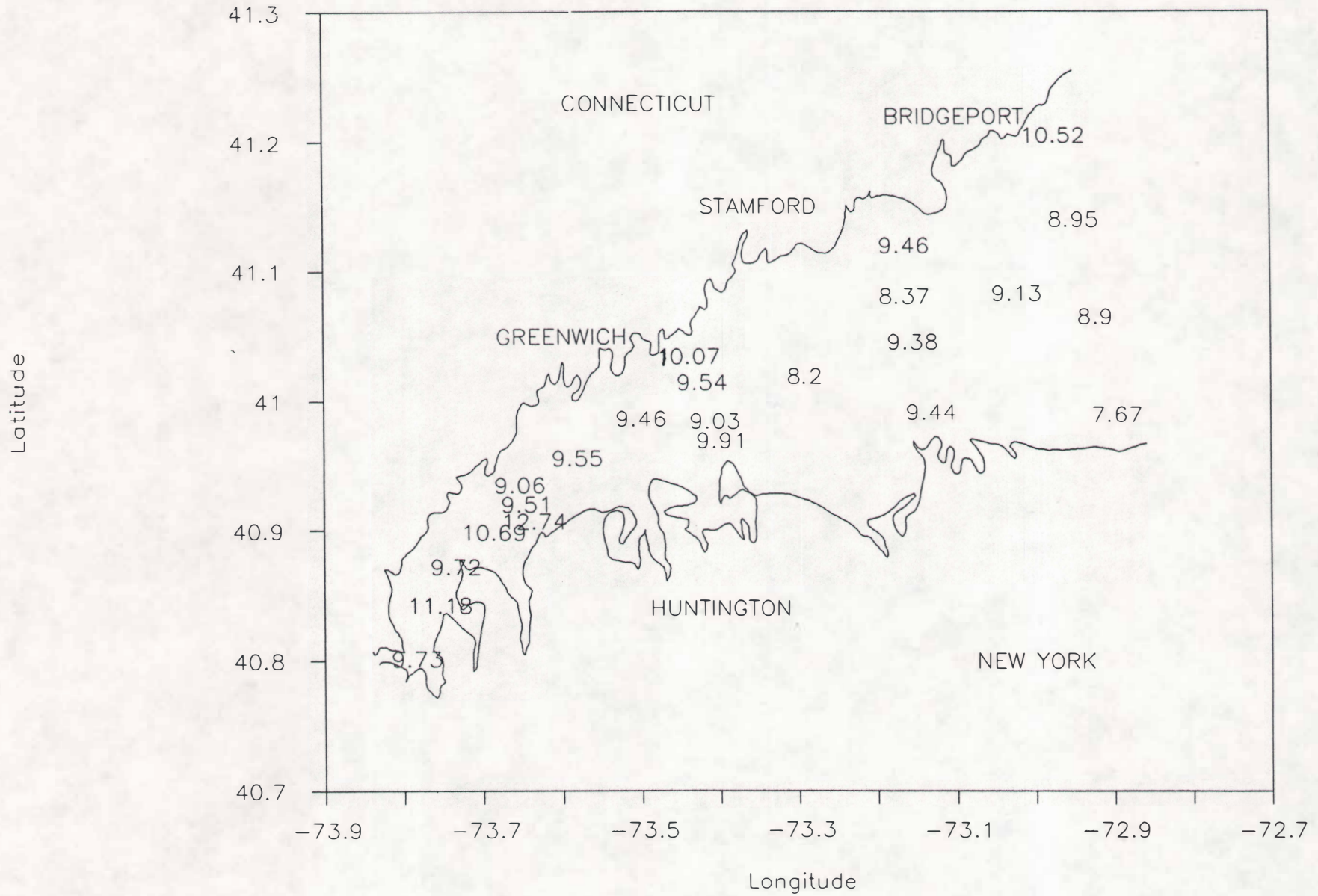


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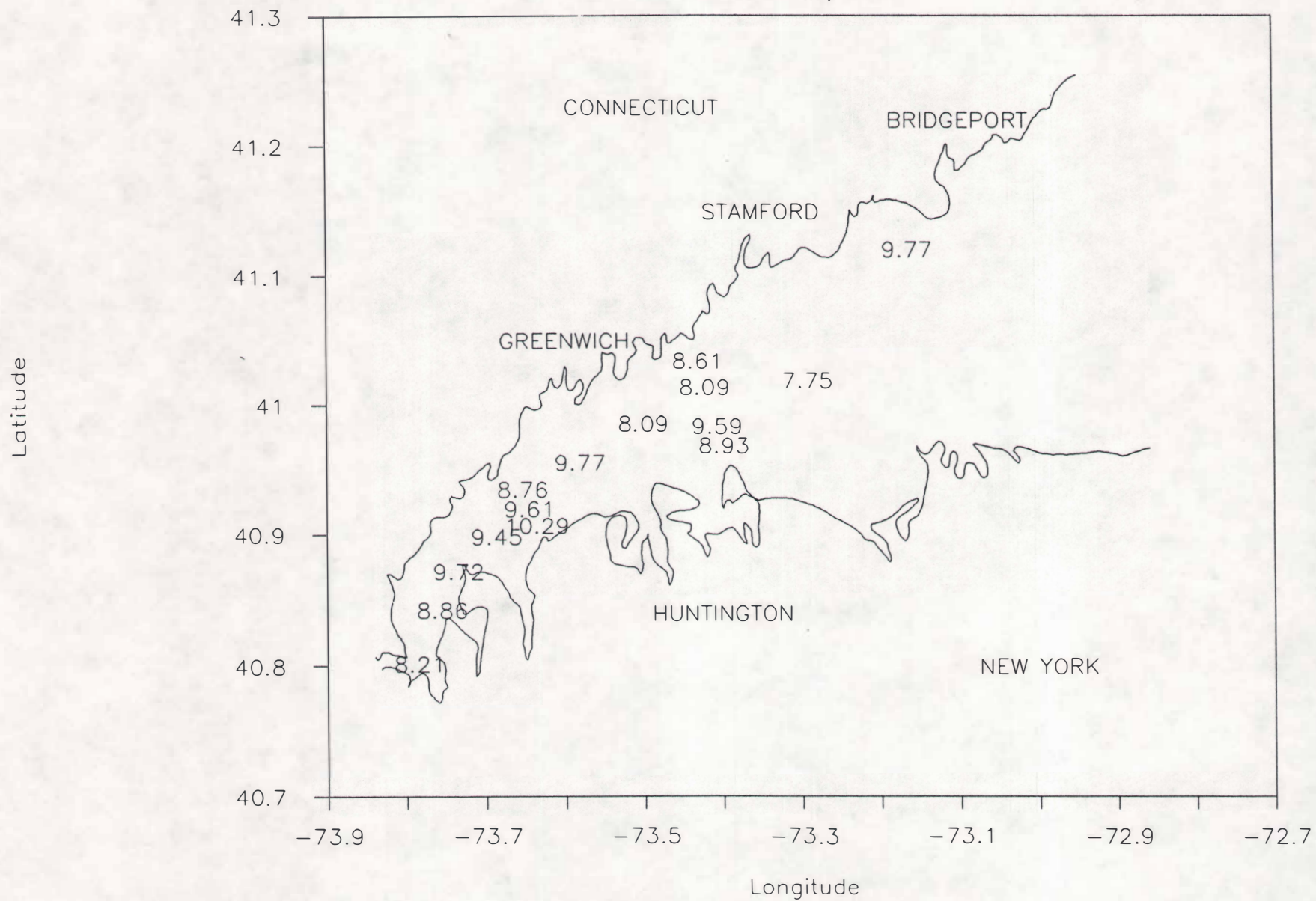


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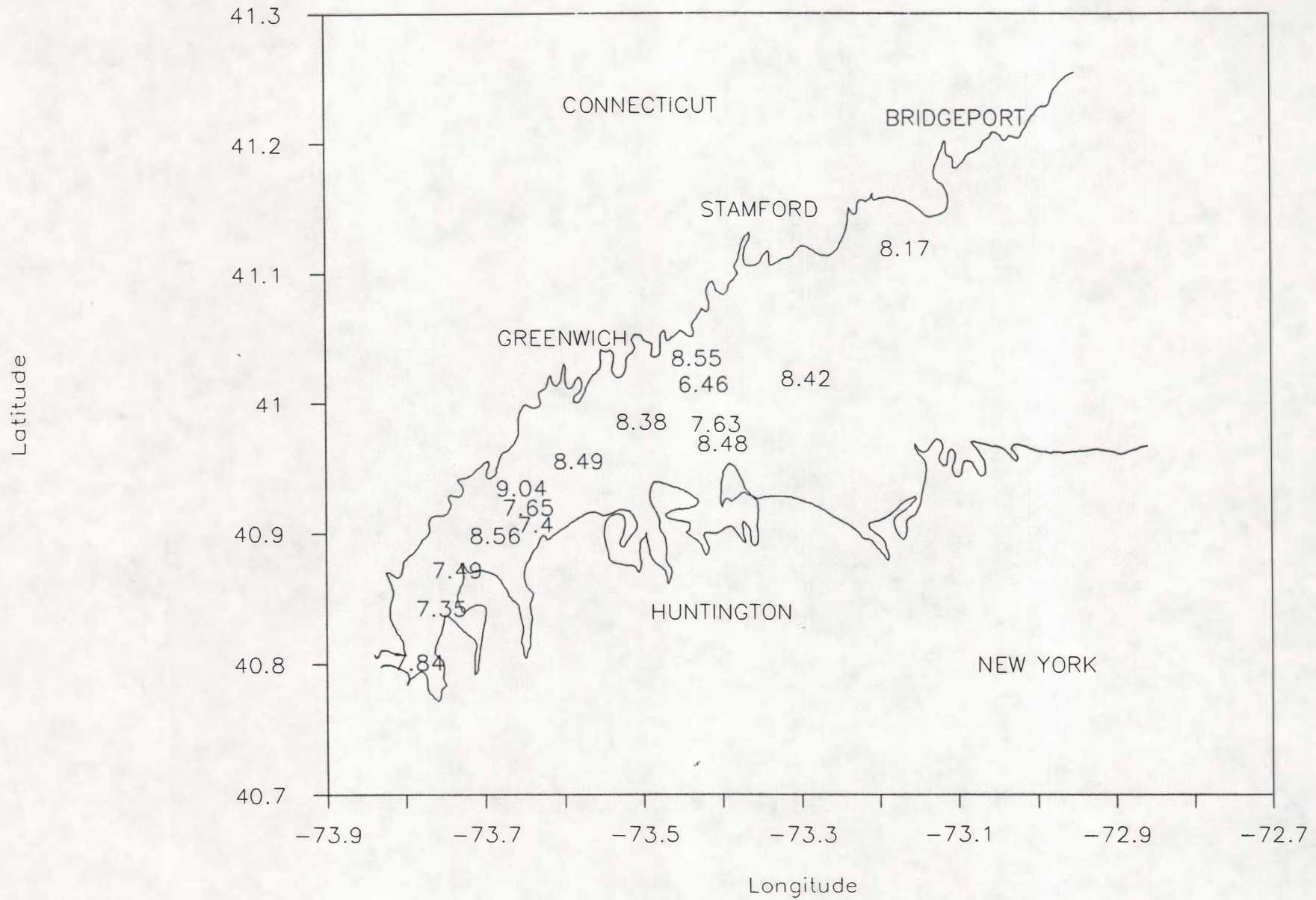


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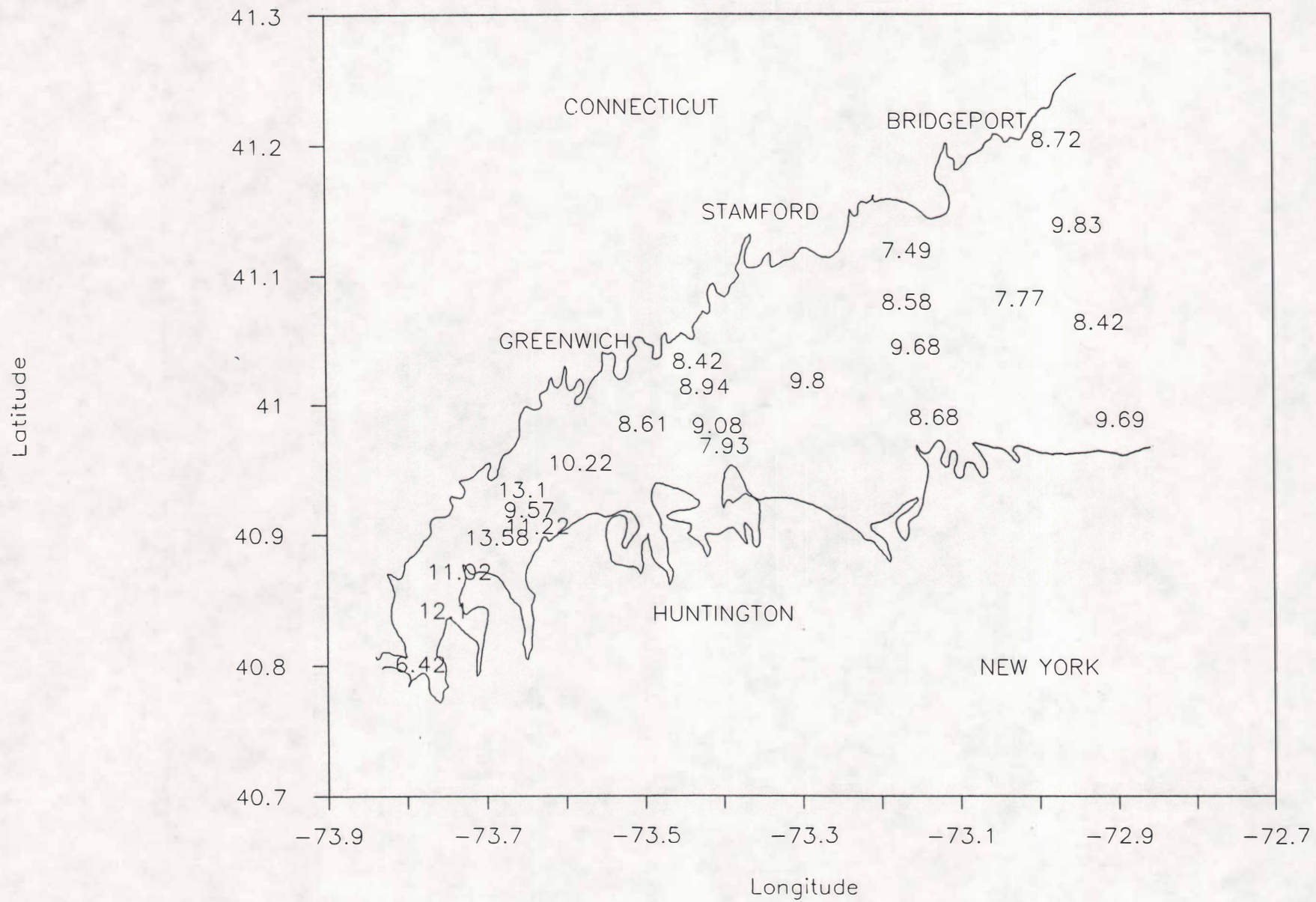


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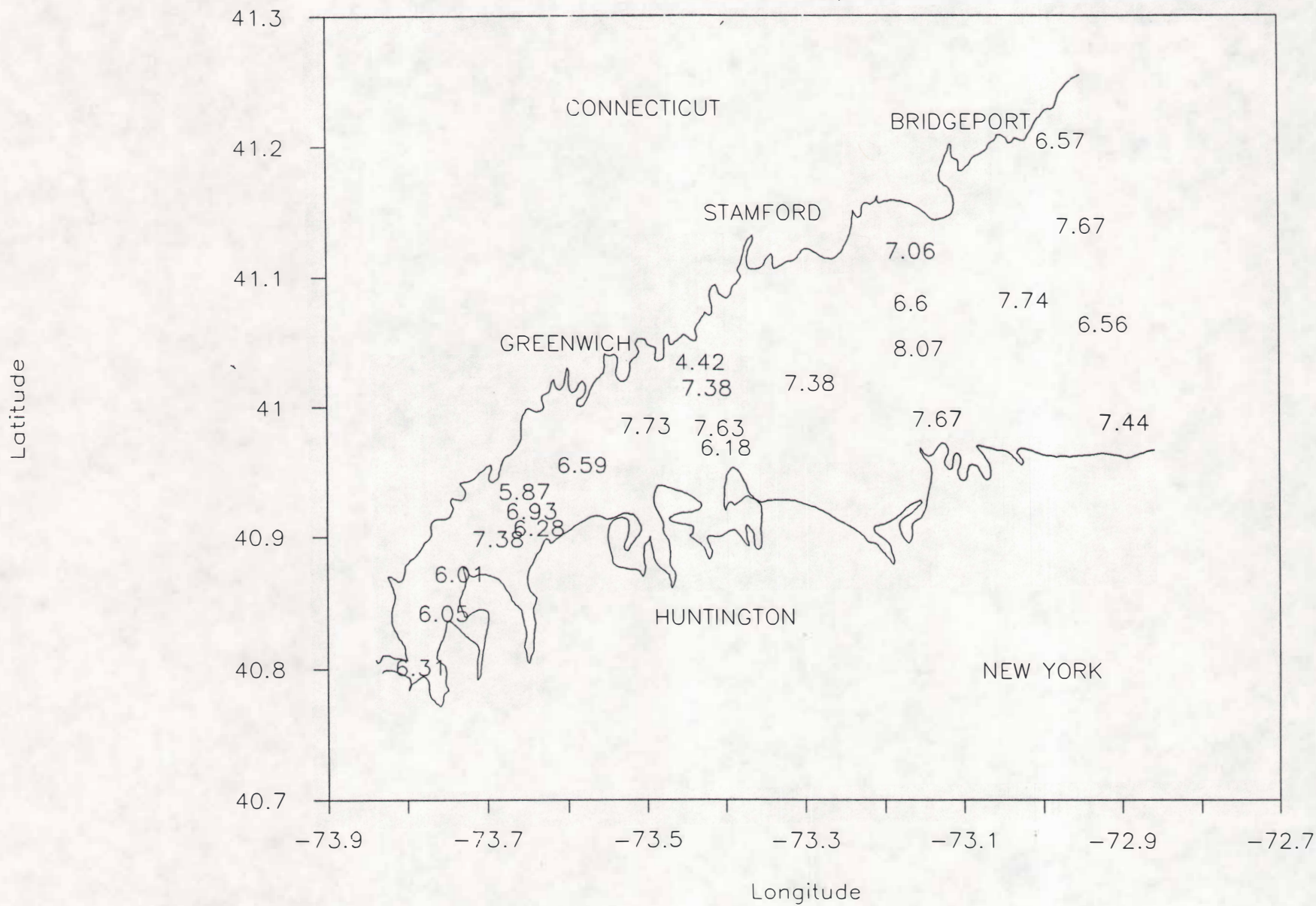


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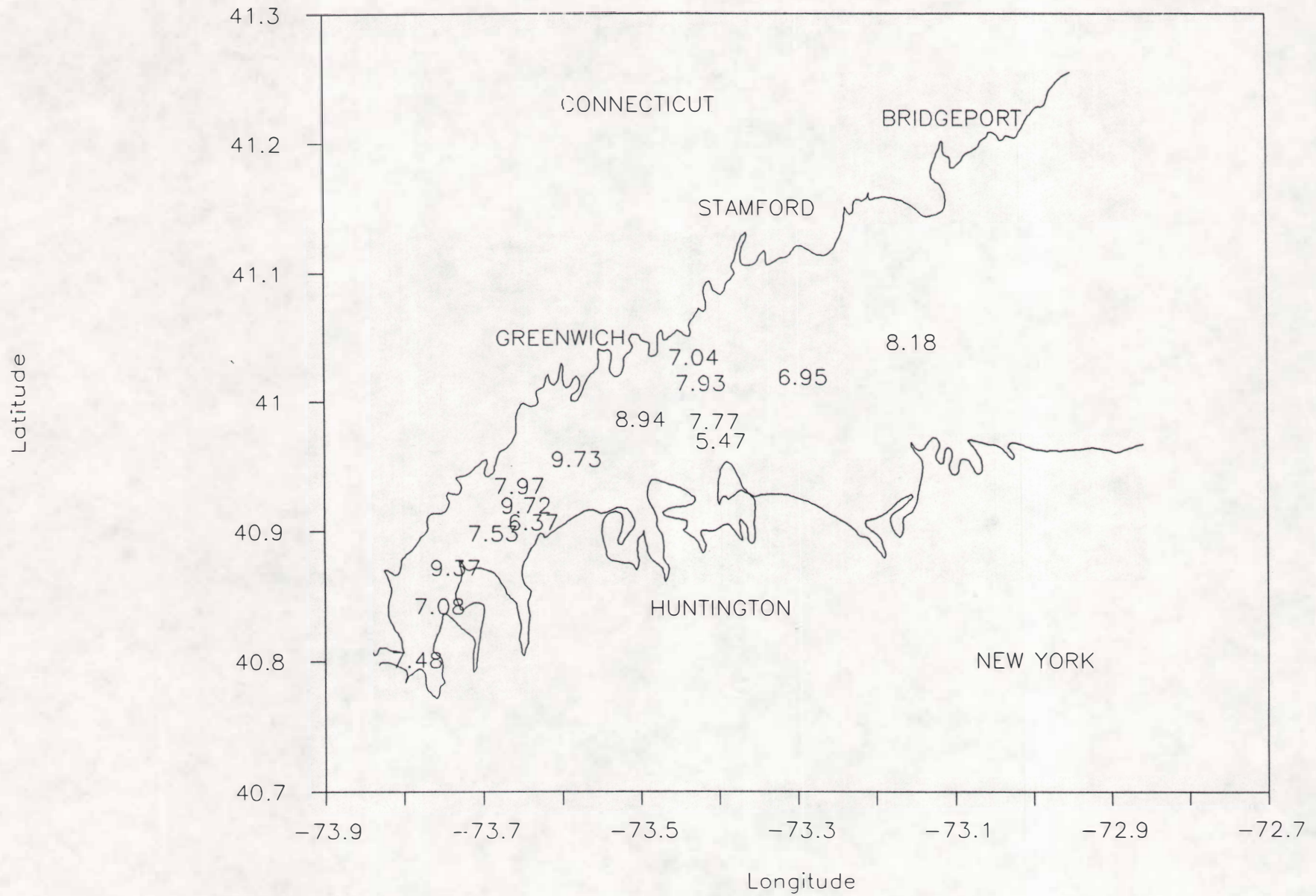


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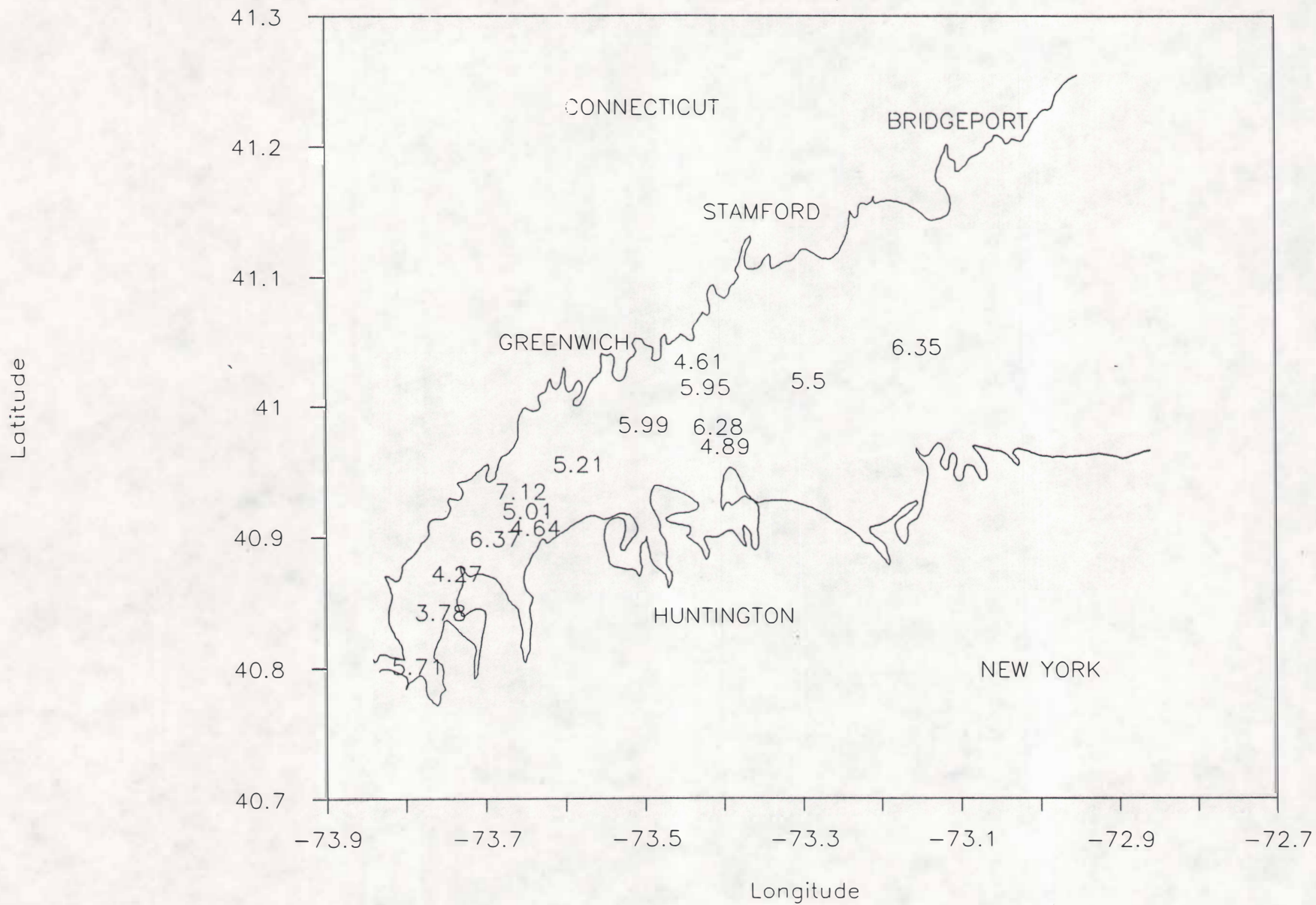


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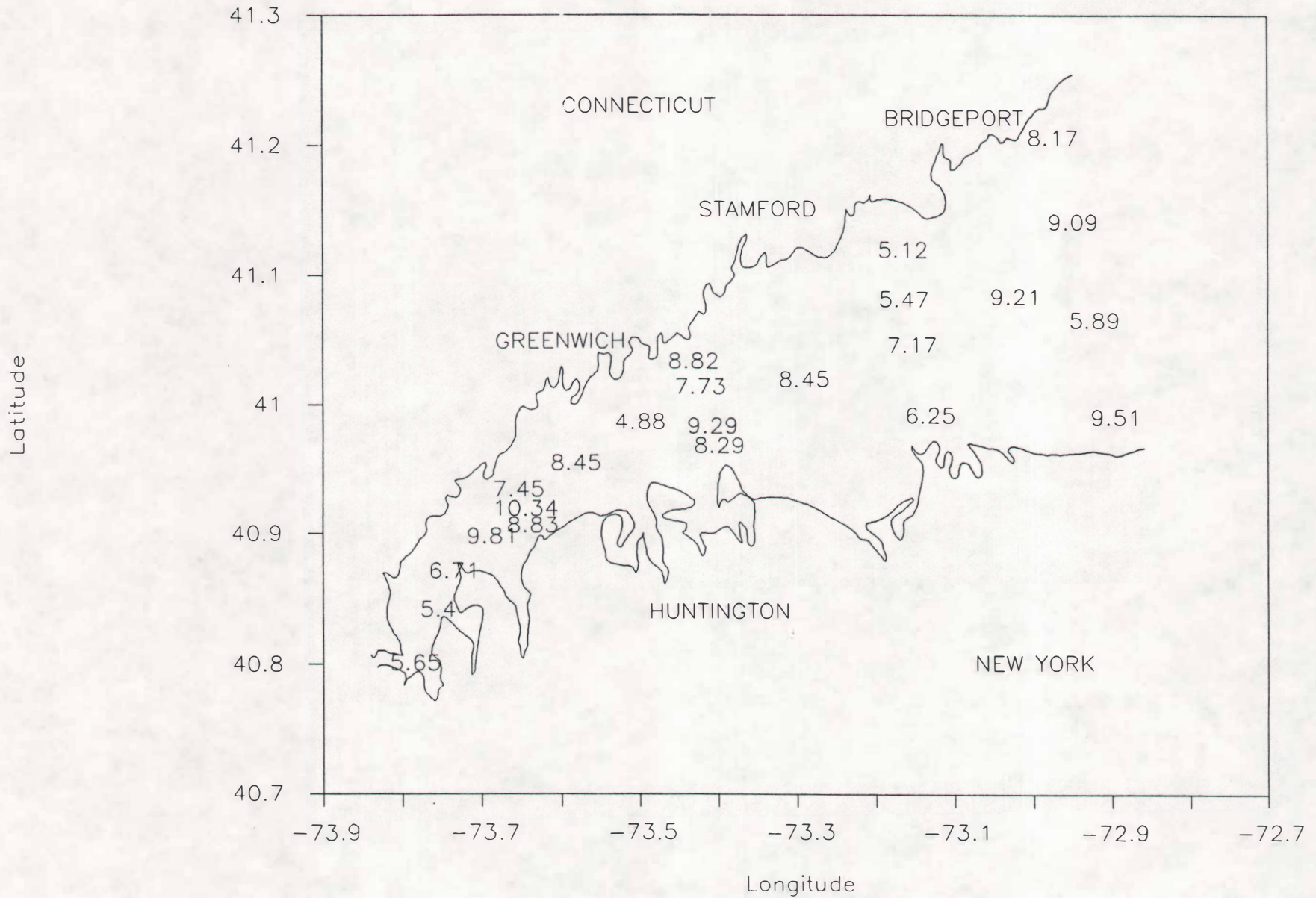


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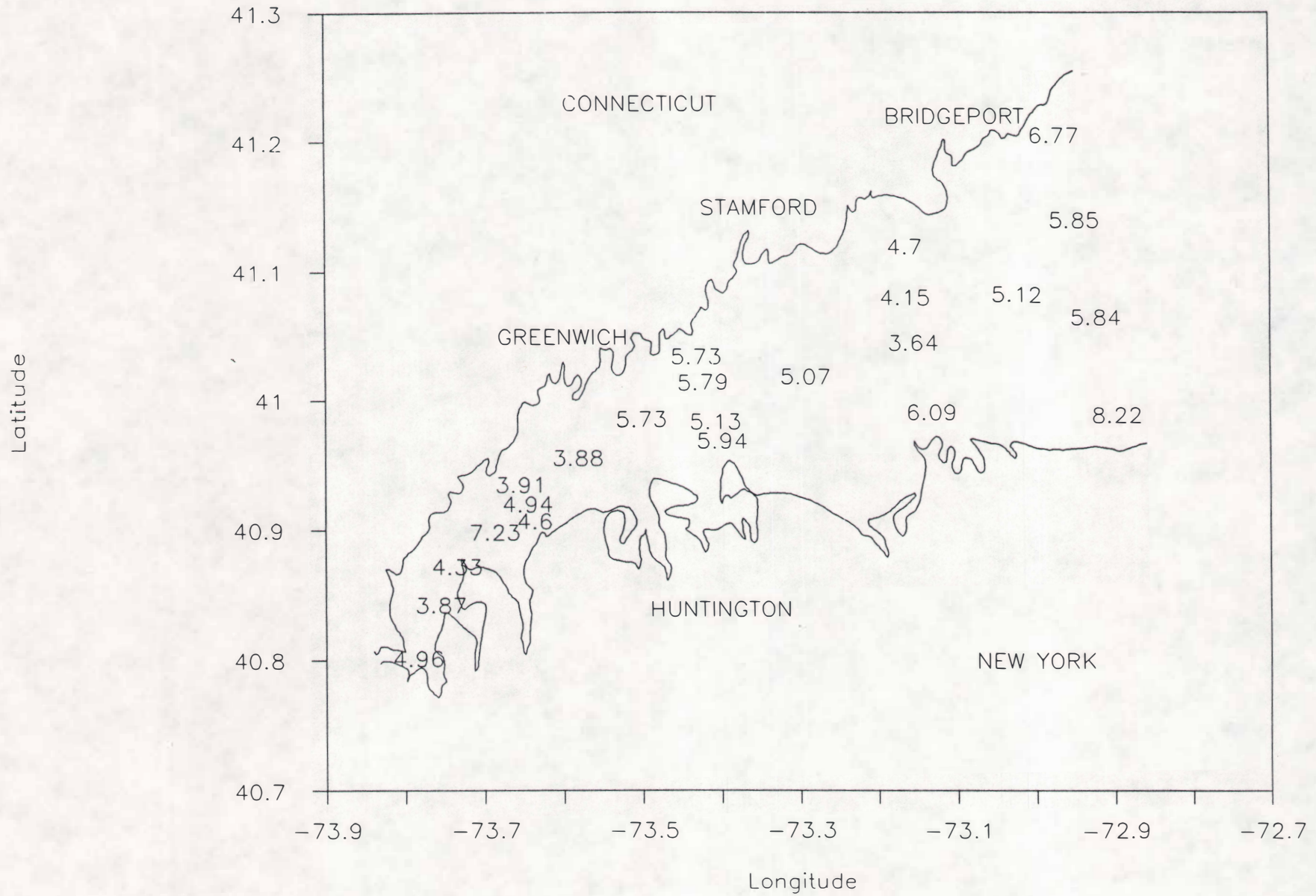


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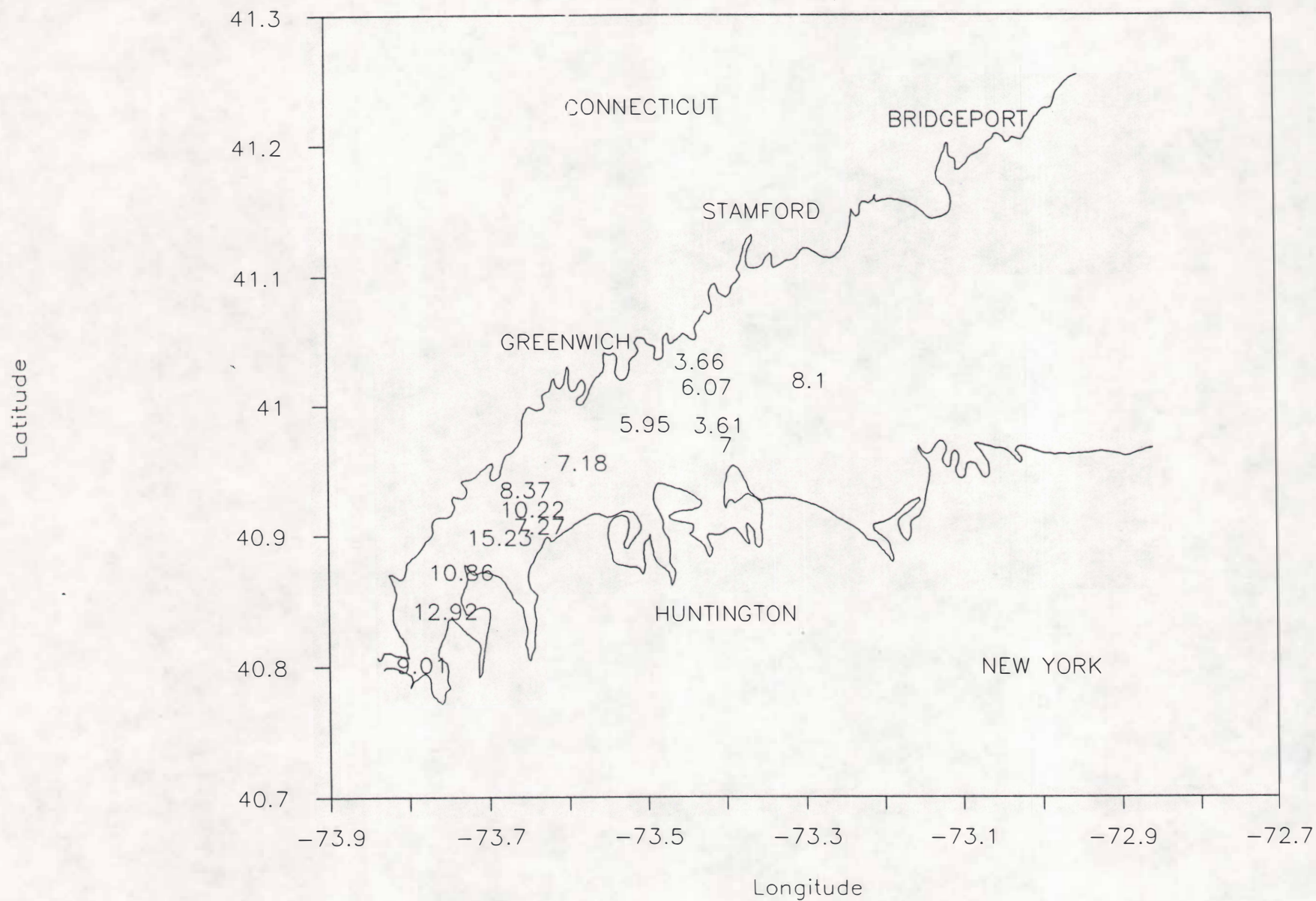


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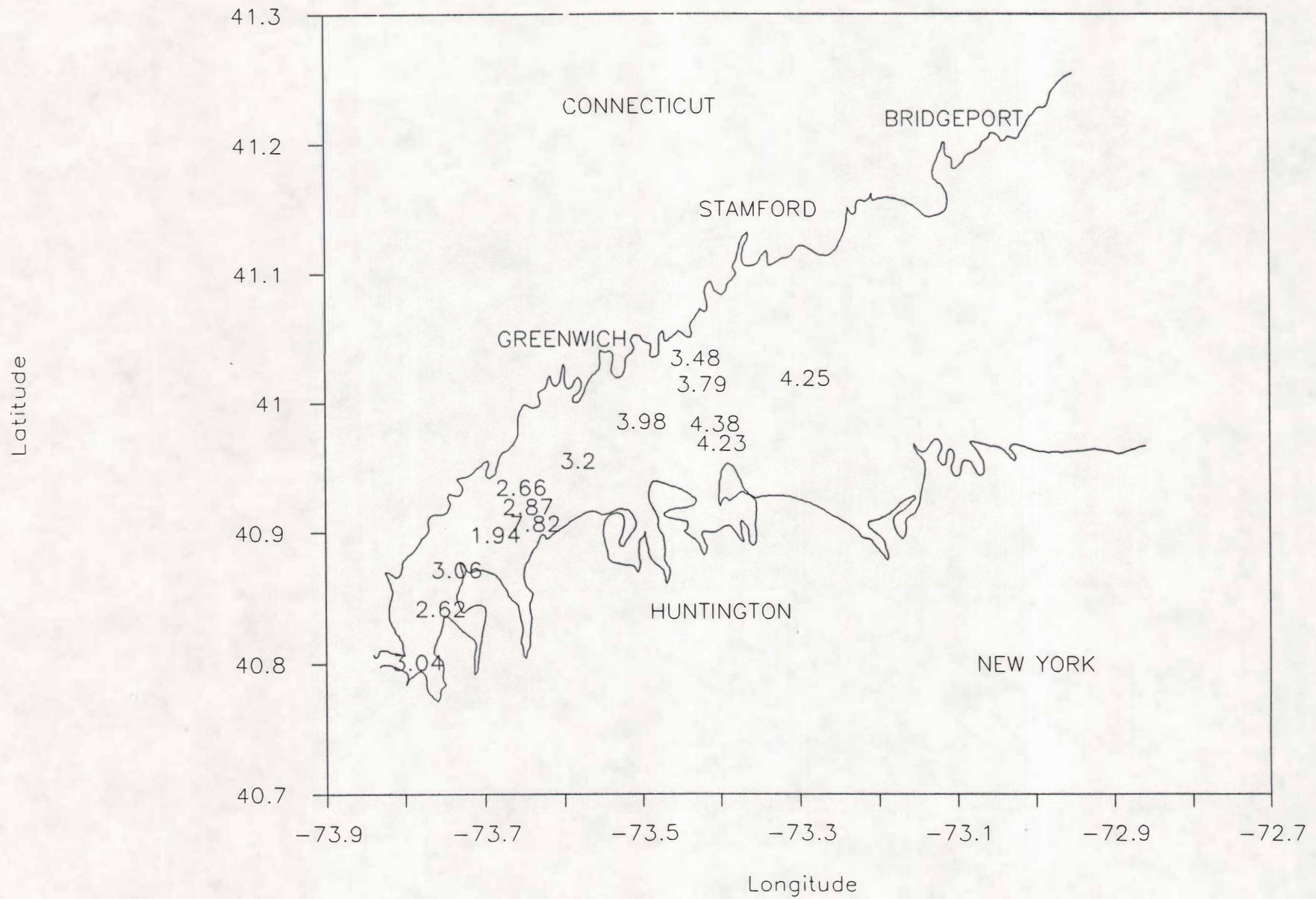


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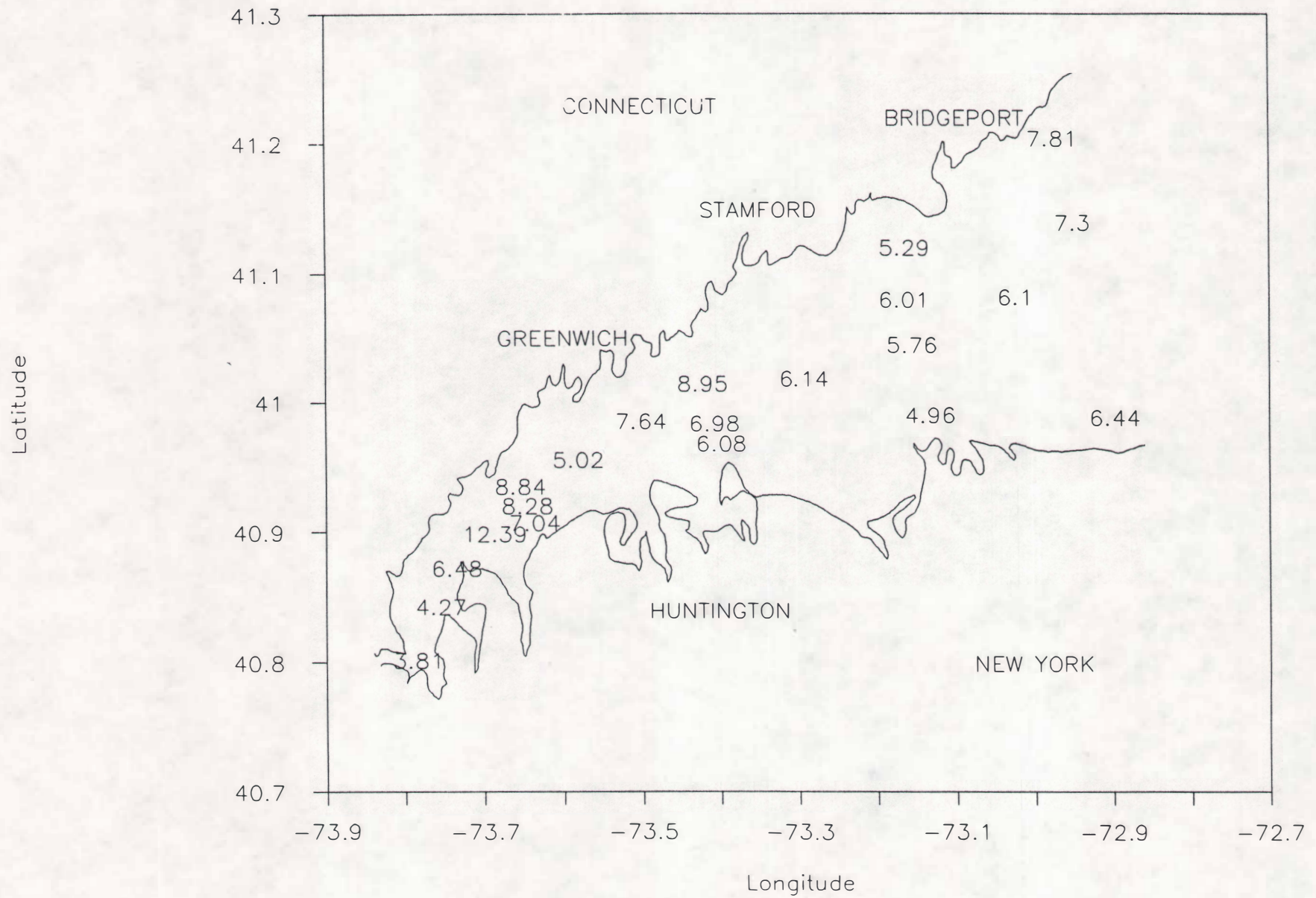


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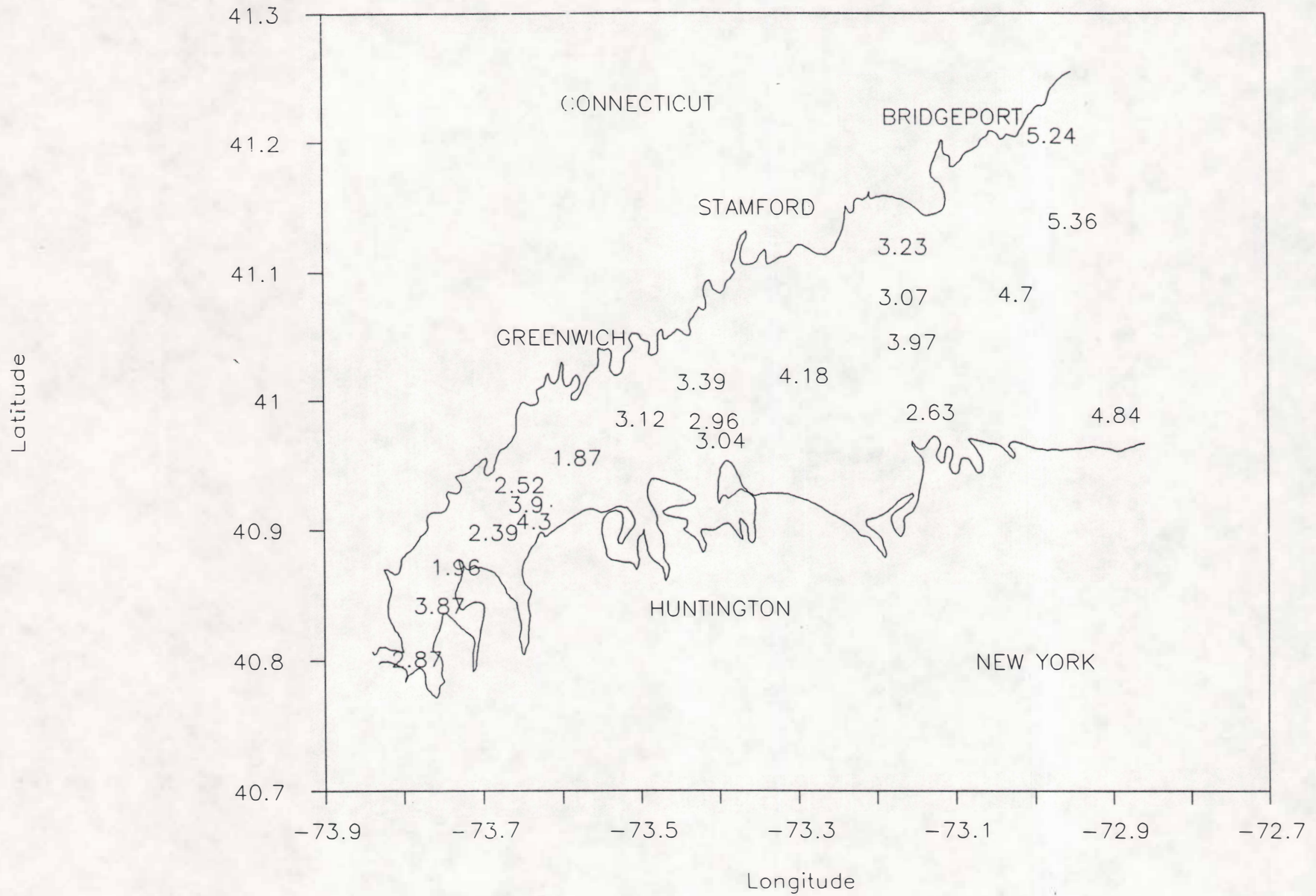


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SURFACE DISSOLVED OXYGEN mg/l

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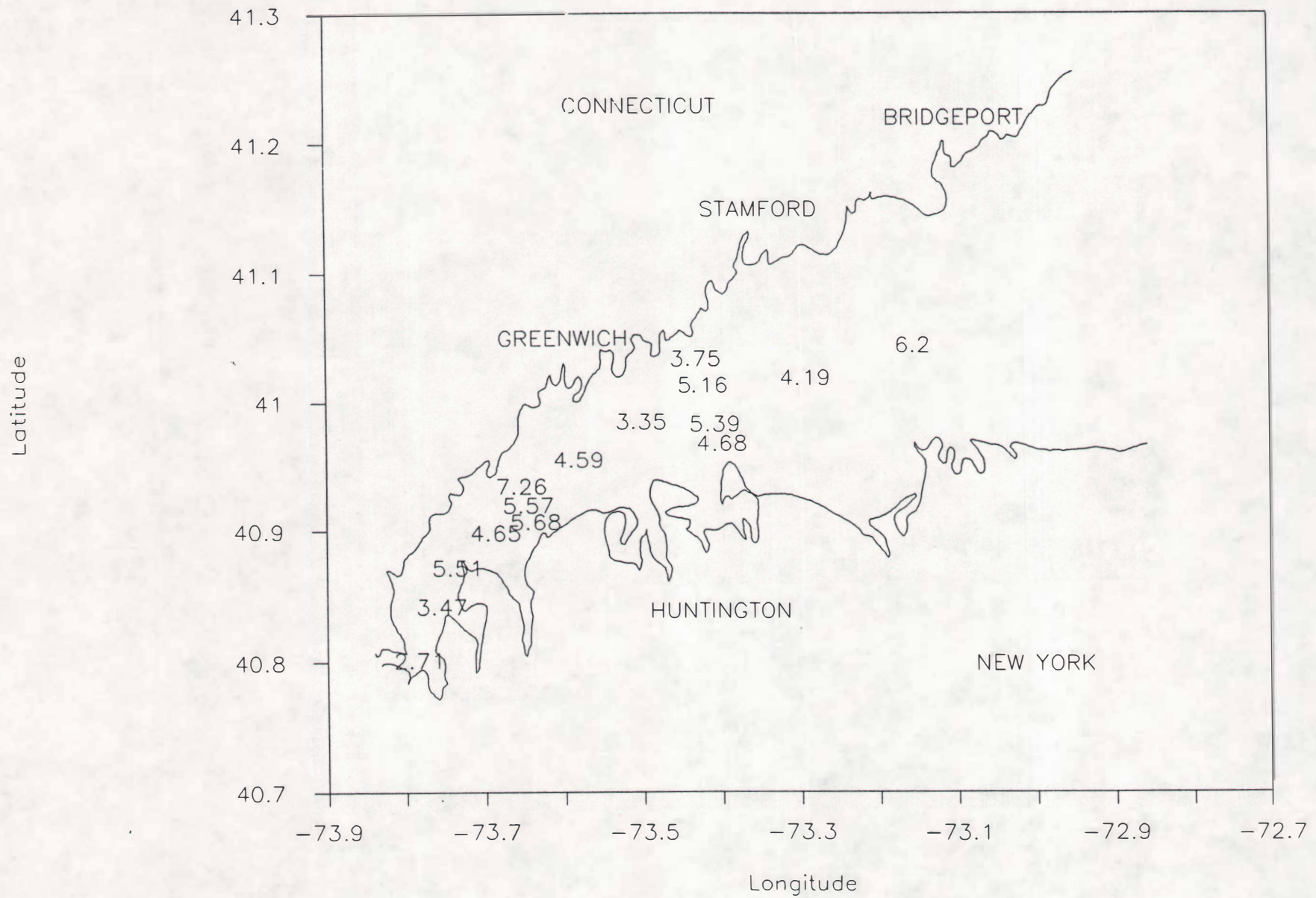


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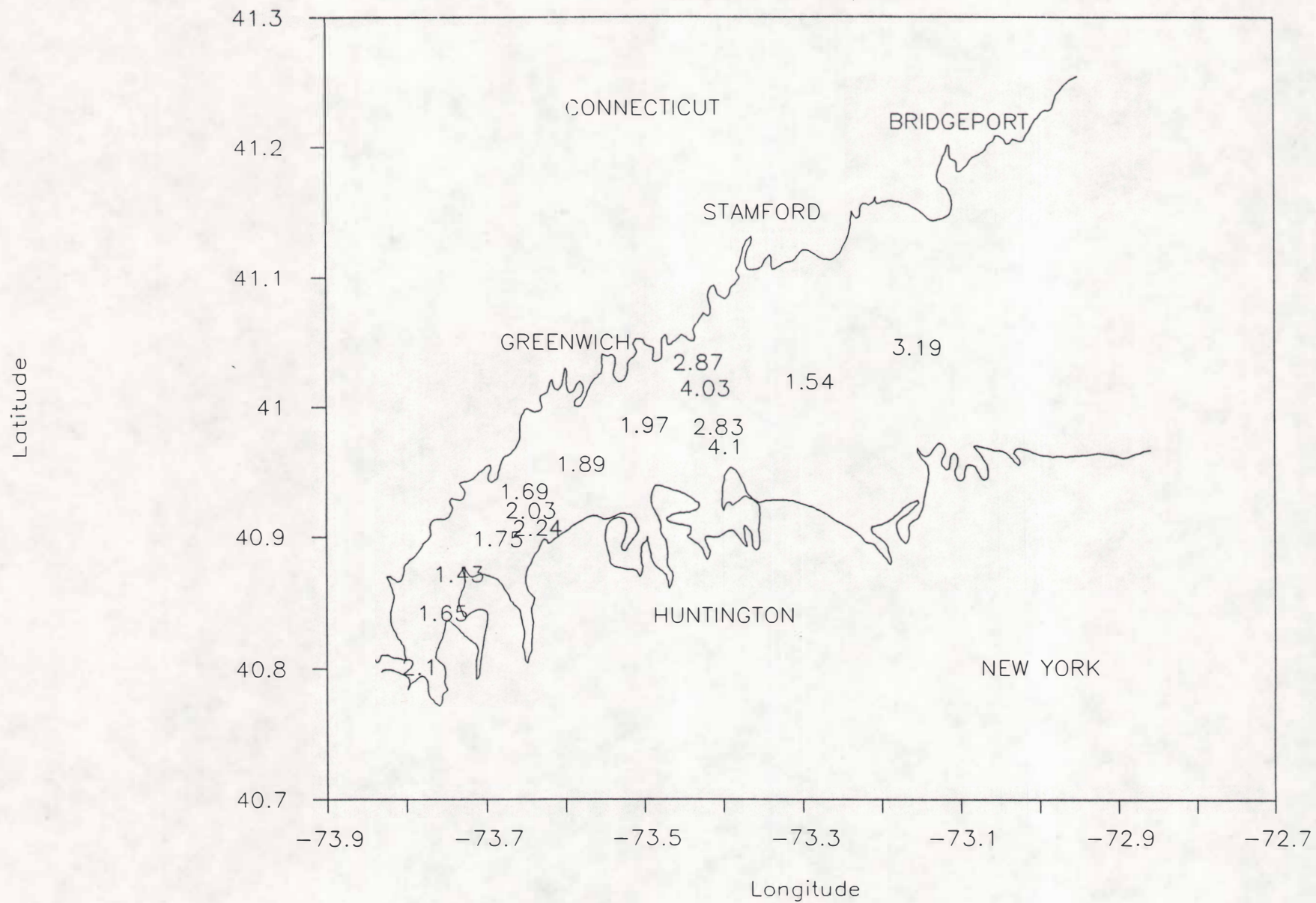


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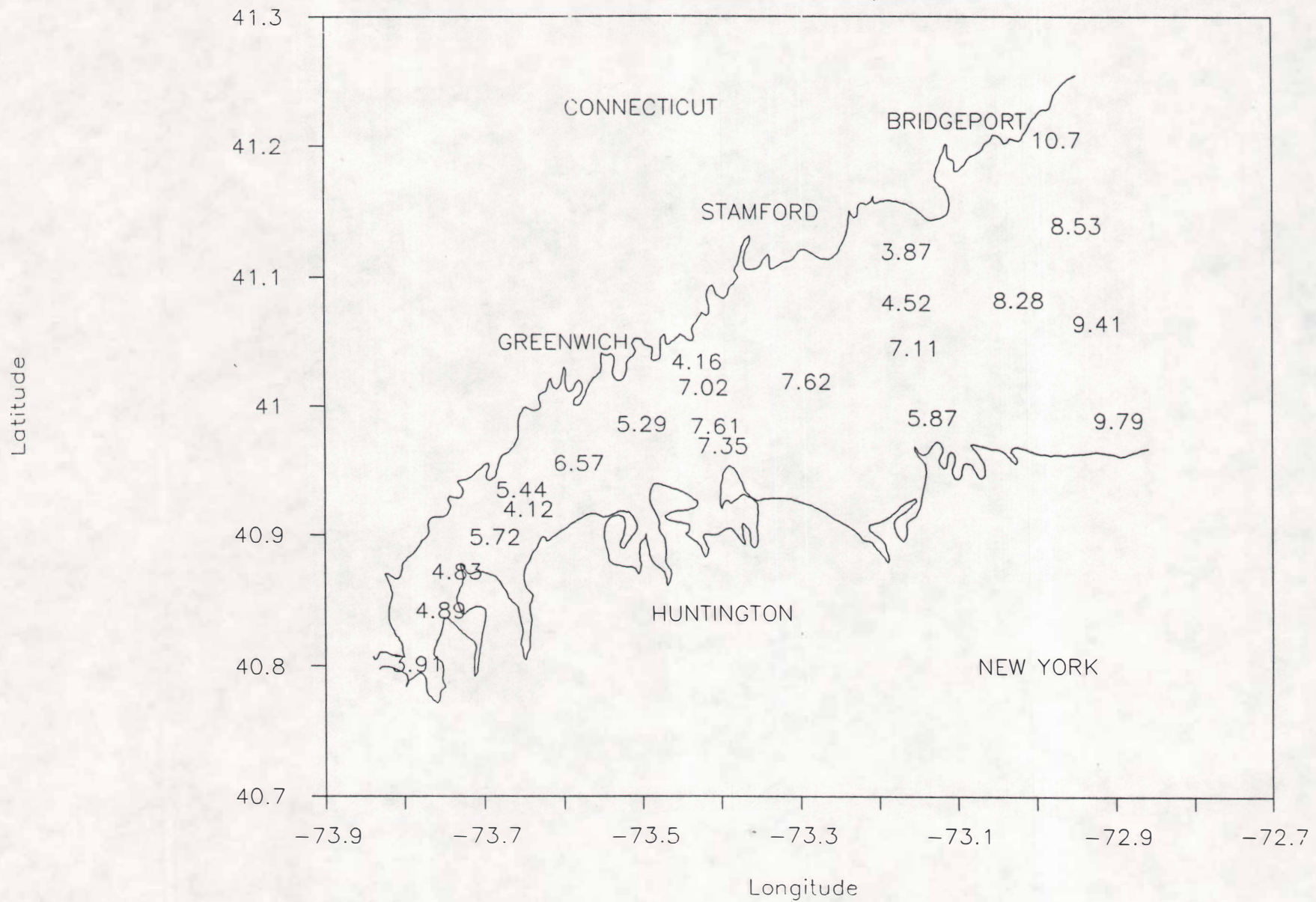


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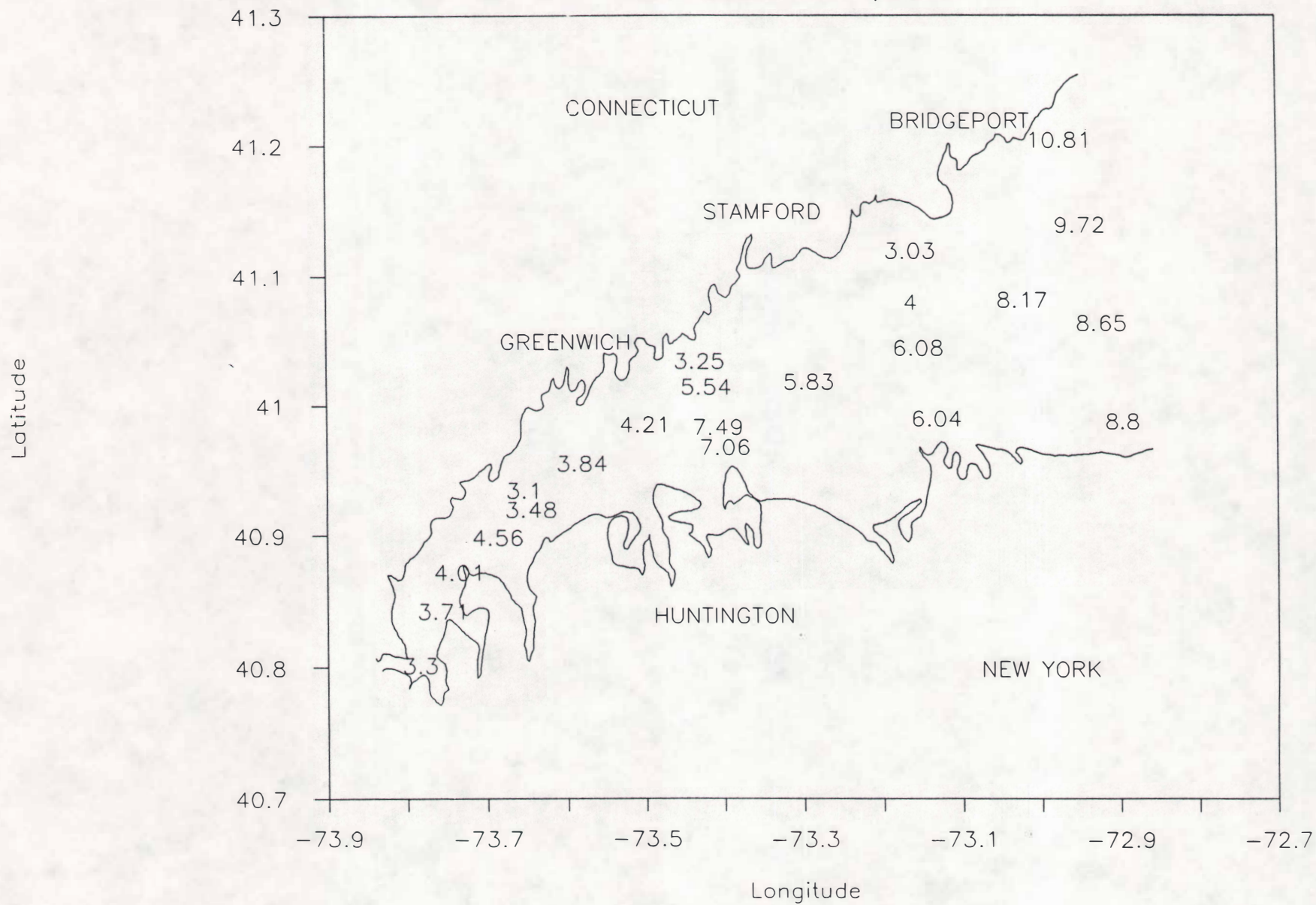


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SURFACE DISSOLVED OXYGEN mg/l

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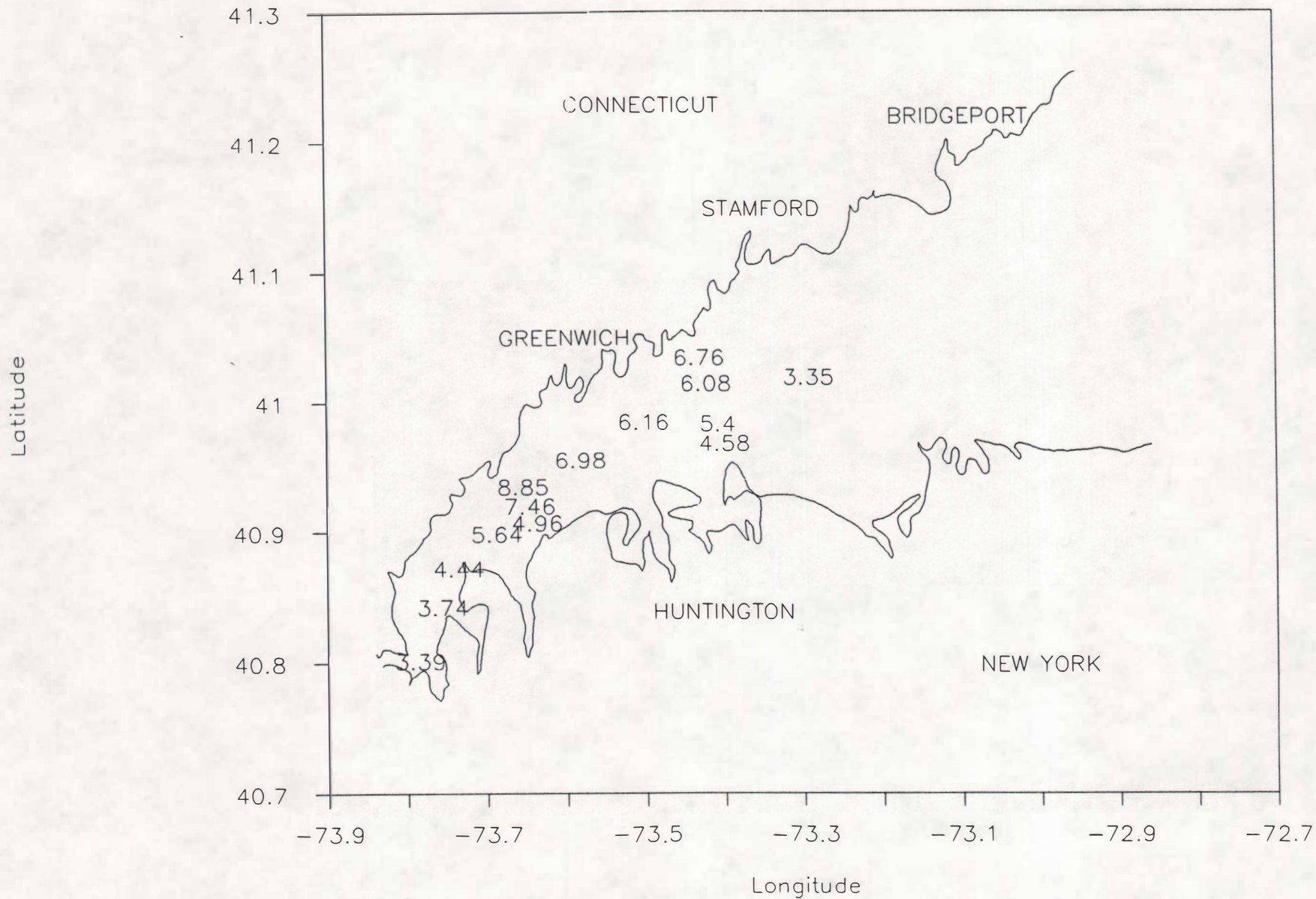


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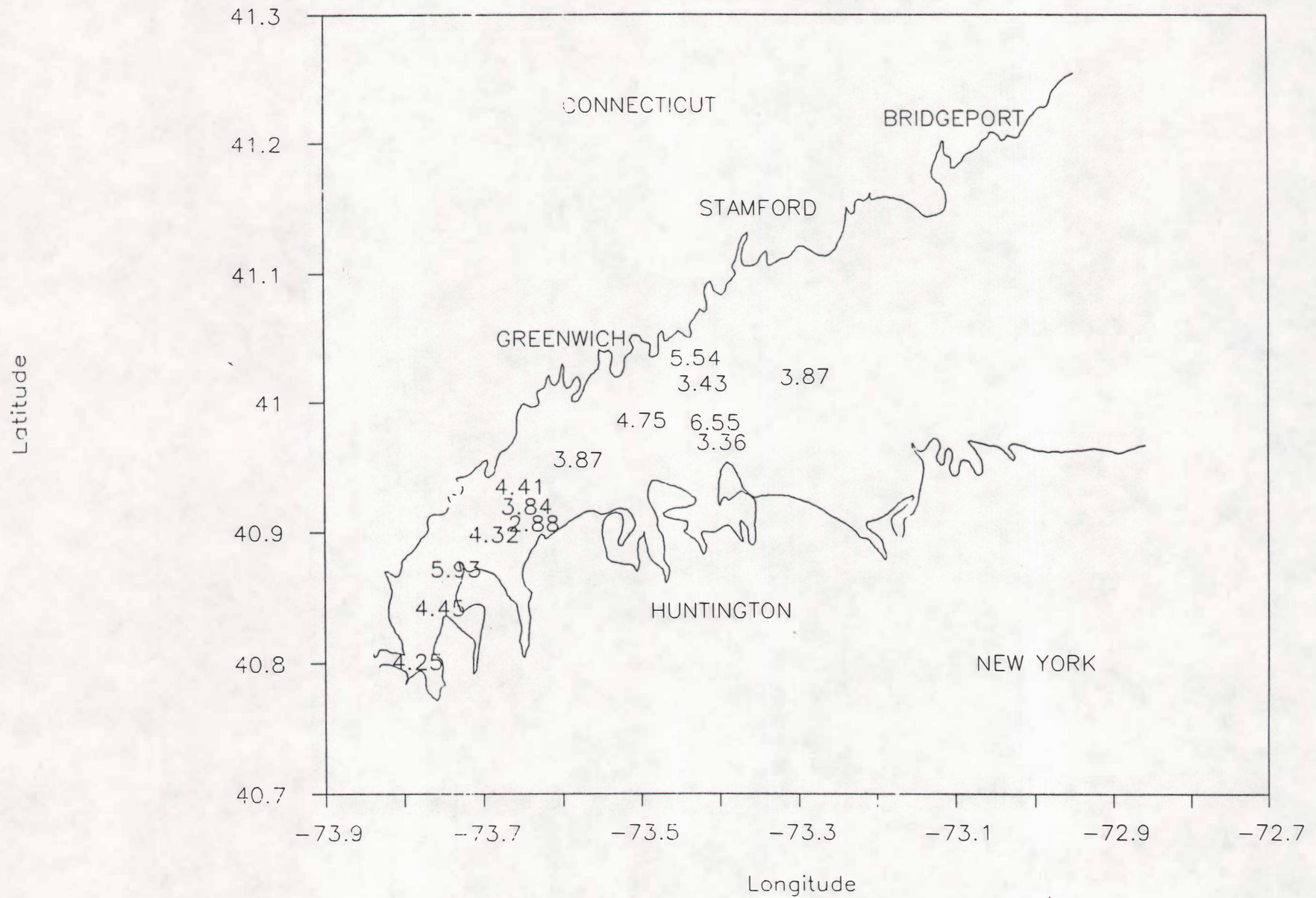


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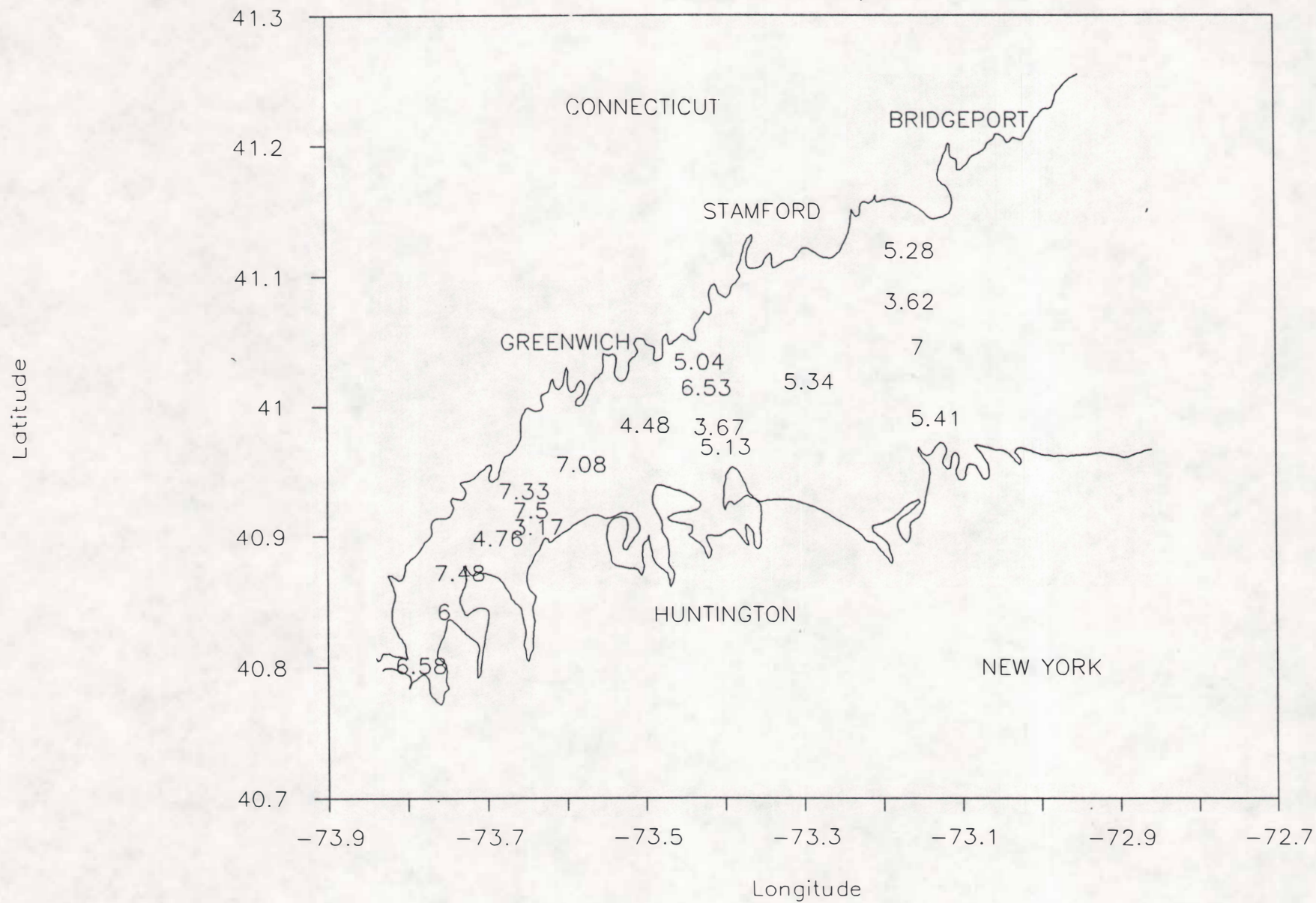


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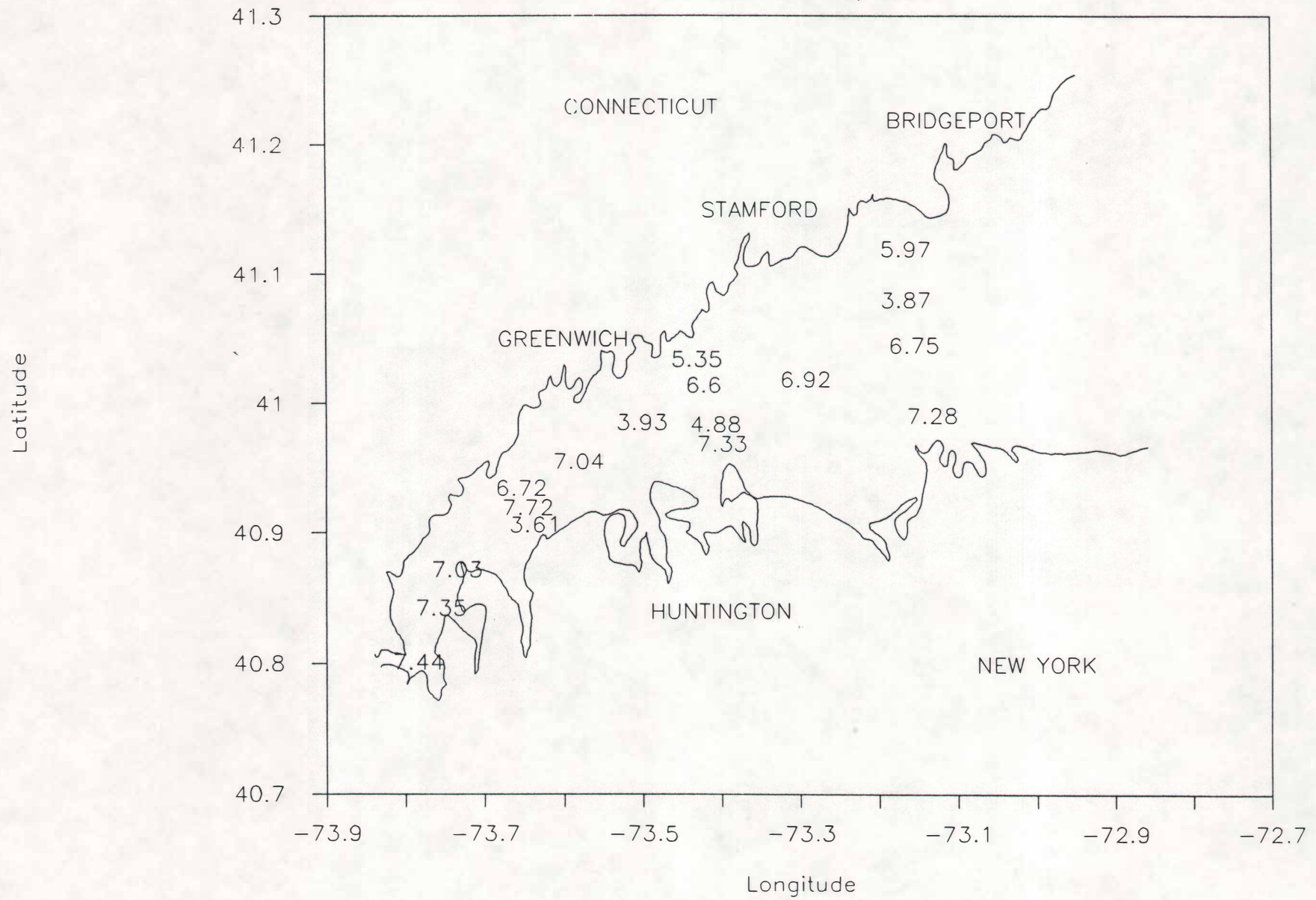


Figure 57

APPENDIX I

Solute O₂

Method: Winkler Titration (modified)

Reagents:

- A. 2.2 M Manganous Sulfate: 91.2 MnSO₄ · H₂O/250 ml (distilled water, solvent). Stable.
- B. Alkaline Iodine Solution: Dissolve 100 g NaOH in 100 ml distilled water. Dissolve 60 g potassium iodide (KI) in 90 ml distilled water and mix two solutions slowly. Stable
- C. Concentrated Sulfuric Acid
- D. Starch Indicator: Suspend 1 g of starch in 150 ml of distilled water and add 20% NaOH (while stirring) until the solution becomes clear. Add concentrated HCl until the solution turns acidic, then add 1 ml of glacial acetic acid. Dilute to 500 ml with distilled water. Stable several months.
- E. Standard Thiosulfate Solution (0.01 N): 1.59 g anhydrous sodium thiosulfate/1 liter (distilled water, solvent). Refrigerate. Stable several months.

Sample Size: 10 ml

Procedure

1. Collect sample in a 20-60 ml preweighed plastic syringe. Avoid trapping air bubbles in the sample. Weigh sample + syringe and convert sample mass to sample volume (V_s) using appropriate temperature and density.
2. Add 0.1 reagent A and 0.1 ml of reagent B through the tip of the syringe with an automatic pipette. Carefully mix the sample and reagents until a white to brown colored precipitate fills the volume. Let stand ~5 mins. and then mix again.

3. After ~5 mins., add 0.1 ml concentrated sulfuric acid (reagent C) through the tip of the syringe using an automatic pipette. Mix until the precipitate is entirely dissolved.
4. Add sample to a glass scintillation vial and begin stirring on a magnetic stirrer using a magnetic "flea". Insert a Gilmont burette containing reagent E.
5. Add reagent E slowly until the sample becomes a straw color, and then add 5-10 drops of starch indicator (D) to turn the sample to a deep blue. Titrate the sample until it becomes clear. Record final volume of sodium thiosulfate added (V_{titr}).

Calculations

$$O_2 \text{ (}\mu\text{M)} = (0.01 \times V_{\text{titr}} / (4 \times V_S)) \times 1 \times 10^6$$

APPENDIX II

LONG ISLAND SOUND STUDY
DISSOLVED OXYGEN VALUES
mg/l

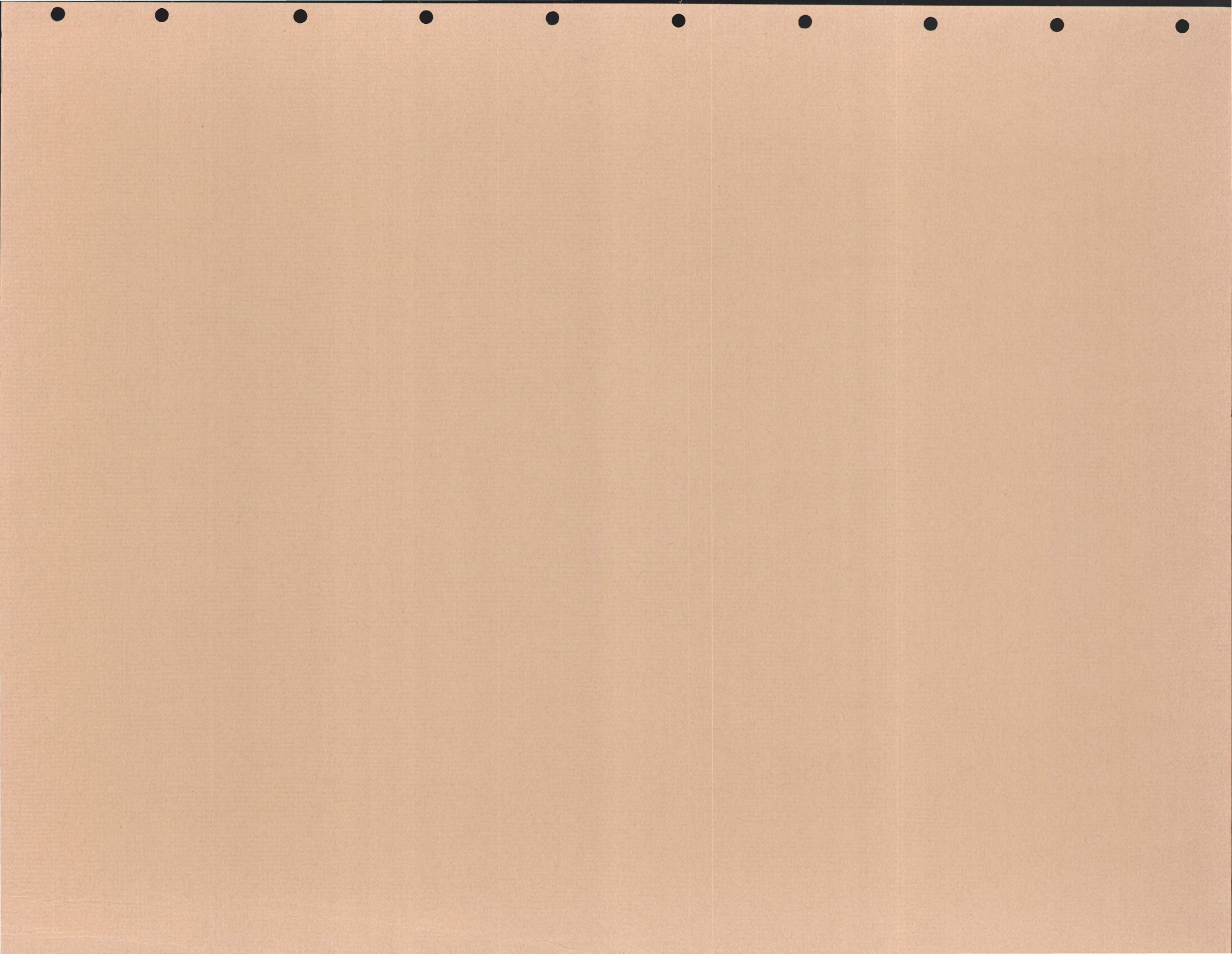
DATE	STATION	SURFACE	BOTTOM
APRIL 4-6, 1988	A2M	11.7	11.1
	A4	13.5	13.2
	B3M	13.7	12.3
	C2		
	D3M	12.6	11.8
	F3M	13.7	11.3
	H6M		
APRIL 17-19, 1988	A2M	11.29	11.52
	A4	12.07	10.74
	B3M	10.6	10.87
	C2	10.34	10.09
	D3M	10.07	9.93
	F3M	11	9.99
	H6M		
MAY 9-11, 1988	A2M	10.05	9.73
	A4	12.06	9.72
	B3M	13.47	9.52
	C2	10.28	9.46
	D3M	9.61	9.03
	F3M	10.46	9.38
	H6M		
MAY 25-26, 1988	A2M	8.21	7.84
	A4	9.72	7.49
	B3M	9.61	7.65
	C2	8.09	8.38
	D3M	9.59	7.63
	F3M	9.77	8.17
	H6M		
JUNE 13-15, 1988	A2M	6.42	6.31
	A4	11.02	6.01
	B3M	9.57	6.93
	C2	8.61	7.73
	D3M	9.08	7.63
	F3M	9.68	8.07
	H6M		
JUNE 27-29, 1988	A2M	7.48	5.71
	A4	9.37	4.27
	B3M	9.72	5.01
	C2	8.94	5.99
	D3M	7.77	6.28
	F3M	8.18	6.35
	H6M		
JULY 11-13, 1988	A2M	5.65	4.96
	A4	6.71	4.33
	B3M	10.34	4.95

	C2	4.88	5.73
	D3M	9.29	5.13
	F3M	7.17	3.64
	H6M		
JULY 25-26, 1988	A2M	9.01	3.04
	A4	10.86	3.06
	B3M	10.22	2.87
	C2	5.95	3.98
	D3M	3.61	4.38
	F3M		
	H6M		
AUGUST 2-4, 1988	A2M	3.81	2.87
	A4	6.48	1.96
	B3M	8.28	3.9
	C2	7.64	4.89
	D3M	6.98	2.96
	F3M	5.76	3.97
	H6M		
AUGUST 15-16, 1988	A2M	2.71	2.1
	A4	5.51	1.43
	B3M	5.57	2.03
	C2	3.35	1.97
	D3M	5.39	2.83
	F3M	6.2	3.19
	H6M		
SEPT. 13-14, 1988	A2M	3.91	3.3
	A4	4.83	4.01
	B3M	4.12	3.48
	C2	5.29	4.21
	D3M	7.61	7.49
	F3M	7.11	6:08
	H6M		
SEPT. 26+28, 1988	A2M	3.39	4.25
	A4	4.44	5.93
	B3M	7.46	3.84
	C2	6.16	4.75
	D3M	5.4	6.55
	F3M		
	H6M		
OCT. 18-19, 1988	A2M	6.58	7.44
	A4	7.48	7.03
	B3M	7.5	7.72
	C2	4.48	3.93
	D3M	3.67	4.88
	F3M	7	6.75
	H6M		
NOVEMBER 16, 1988	A2M	5.54	7.09
	A4	7.19	7.39
	B3M	8.9	6.63
	C2		

	D3M	9.04	8.59
	F3M	7.59	8.18
	H6M	7.94	8.57
JANUARY 23, 1989	A2M	13.3	13.14
	A4	14.14	13.09
	B3M	14.75	13.46
	C2	12.41	12.17
	D3M	13.08	12.17
	F3M	12.3	11.05
	H6M	11.99	10.27
FEBRUARY 6, 1989	A2M	11.71	13.47
	A4	11.37	12.96
	B3M	11.67	11.13
	C2	9.89	11.51
	D3M	11.09	12.04
	F3M	11.69	11.5
	H6M	10.63	11.72
FEBRUARY 22, 1989	A2M	8.25	11.73
	A4	13.14	12.53
	B3M	13.81	12.89
	C2	13.23	12.3
	D3M	13.03	12.19
	F3M		
	H6M	9.35	8.76
MARCH 13, 1989	A2M	13.51	13.07
	A4	14.44	13.95
	B3M	14.28	13.77
	C2	12.04	13.45
	D3M	13.1	12.6
	F3M	13.65	11.65
	H6M	11.66	12.83
MARCH 23, 1989	A2M	13.53	13.61
	A4	15.07	10.77
	B3M	13.11	12.03
	C2	14.39	10.66
	D3M	11.89	10.98
	F3M	14.19	12.65
	H6M	11.71	11.1
APRIL 3, 1989	A2M	11.27	9.95
	A4	11.05	9.35
	B3M	13.77	12.22
	C2	12.72	12.01
	D3M	11.22	12.13
	F3M	12.33	11.75
	H6M	12.76	11.93
APRIL 17, 1989	A2M	9.06	8.56
	A4	9.1	9.27
	B3M	10.21	9.24
	C2		
	D3M	9.55	7.99

	F3M	8.16	9.37
	H6M	10.31	9.51
MAY 9, 1989	A2M	7.44	8.11
	A4	8.26	8.61
	B3M	8.18	5.47
	C2	10.44	8.99
	D3M	8.19	7.27
	F3M	9.52	8.89
	H6M	10.59	8.3
MAY 23, 1989	A2M	5.74	3.29
	A4		
	B3M	13.46	5.79
	C2	10.88	8.18
	D3M	10.24	7.35
	F3M	10.07	5.18
	H6M	10.81	8.29
JUNE 20, 1989	A2M	5.11	5.21
	A4	5.88	4.91
	B3M	7.54	4.29
	C2	9.92	5.7
	D3M	9.9	5.57
	F3M	5.57	8.63
	H6M	9.18	6.07
JULY 6, 1989	A2M	5.67	4.37
	A4	6.71	4.33
	B3M	10.34	4.94
	C2	4.88	5.73
	D3M	9.29	5.13
	F3M	7.17	3.64
	H6M	8.24	5.64
JULY 24, 1989	A2M	4.99	4.82
	A4	4.67	3.88
	B3M	7.28	2.93
	C2	10.57	5.07
	D3M	10.17	5.91
	F3M	3.68	2.83
	H6M	6.2	2.87
AUGUST 7, 1989	A2M	4.59	3.36
	A4	9.56	1.86
	B3M	9.04	2.06
	C2	7	2.86
	D3M	9.9	4
	F3M	8.95	4.71
	H6M	5.28	1.9
AUGUST 21, 1989	A2M	2.64	2.82
	A4	3	2.95
	B3M	4.75	2.66
	C2	8.19	5.2
	D3M	6.91	5.32
	F3M	4.3	1.97

SEPTEMBER 6, 1989	H6M	5.93	2.56
	A2M	4.1	4.38
	A4	7.13	6.04
	B3M	7.1	6.54
	C2	6.8	5.96
	D3M	6.87	4.84
	F3M	6.36	5.68
	H6M	6.44	3.9



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