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SHOCK TESTS OF A MOCKUP XW-44

Introduction

The purpose of this test was to determine the response characteristics of the XW-44 when subjected to a velocity change of 12 to 50 feet per second with a pulse duration of 1.5 milliseconds.

Two calibration tests were performed on a previously tested dummy inert case by applying the shock in the longitudinal direction.

The test was requested by L. H. Stratford, 1525, in an Environmental Test Request dated December 27, 1966. The tests were performed on January 27, 1967, and February 10, 1967. J. M. Carmichael, 7331 was the Test Coordinator.

Summary

Two calibration tests were performed on a dummy, inert, XW-44 case in preparation for actual testing of units containing live detonators. Circumferential failure in the nose area of the dummy case during the second test at 13.65 ft/sec (1300 g, 75 ms) resulted in cancellation of the live tests by the consultant.

Procedure and Results

The shock tests were performed on the 18-inch actuator located in the Area III test laboratory. A dummy XW-44 case was shocked twice in the longitudinal direction. A special fixture was used to hold the case in position for the shock. The velocity change was applied to the case through a crush material (attached to the nose of the unit) being impacted by a moving ram carriage. The crush material on Test 1 was a striated aluminum ring 8 inches in diameter, 1/8 inch thick. For Test 2, the crush material was an aluminum plate 1/4 inch thick. Figure 1 is a sketch of the overall test setup showing the ram carriage, holding tube, test case, and accelerometer location. Figures 2 and 3 show the strain gage locations and failure area. Figure 4 shows a closeup of the case in the tube.

Since the two tests performed were in preparation for the units with live detonators, only partial results were obtained. Table I shows the response of Accelerometer AI and two strain gages on test No. 1.

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On test No. 2, Accelerometer AI was subjected to an approximate haversine pulse of 1300 g with a duration of .75 millisecond. Ram carriage velocity for both tests was approximately 19.4 feet per second and the case velocity after impact was approximately 13.65 feet per second.

Because of the unanticipated failure at this low level, the consultant choose to terminate testing.

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TABLE I

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TEST CONDITIONS											LEGEND	
ACTUATOR SETUP FIRE PRESSURE 305 PSI CUSHION PRESSURE 150 PSI SET PRESSURE 150 PSI											PD - PULSE DURATION RT - RISE TIME MFP - MAXIMUM FAIRED PULSE A - ACCELERATION	
TRANSDUCER INFORMATION TEST NO. I											CALIBRATE	
No.	Location and Orientation	Model	S/N	Serial Range	File Ref.	Max. (g)	Max. (-)	MFP	RT (ms)	PD (ms)		
A-1	XW44, LONG.	2225M2 ENDEVCO	JC 34	BOKH 16,000g	1	1650	1075	700	.09	0.85	1800	
2R	XW44 RADIAL	STRAIN GAUGE			2	1700	MIN./IN.			0.95	4400 MIN./IN.	
2L	XW44 LONG.	STRAIN GAUGE			2	4800	MIN./IN.			1.0	9800 MIN./IN.	

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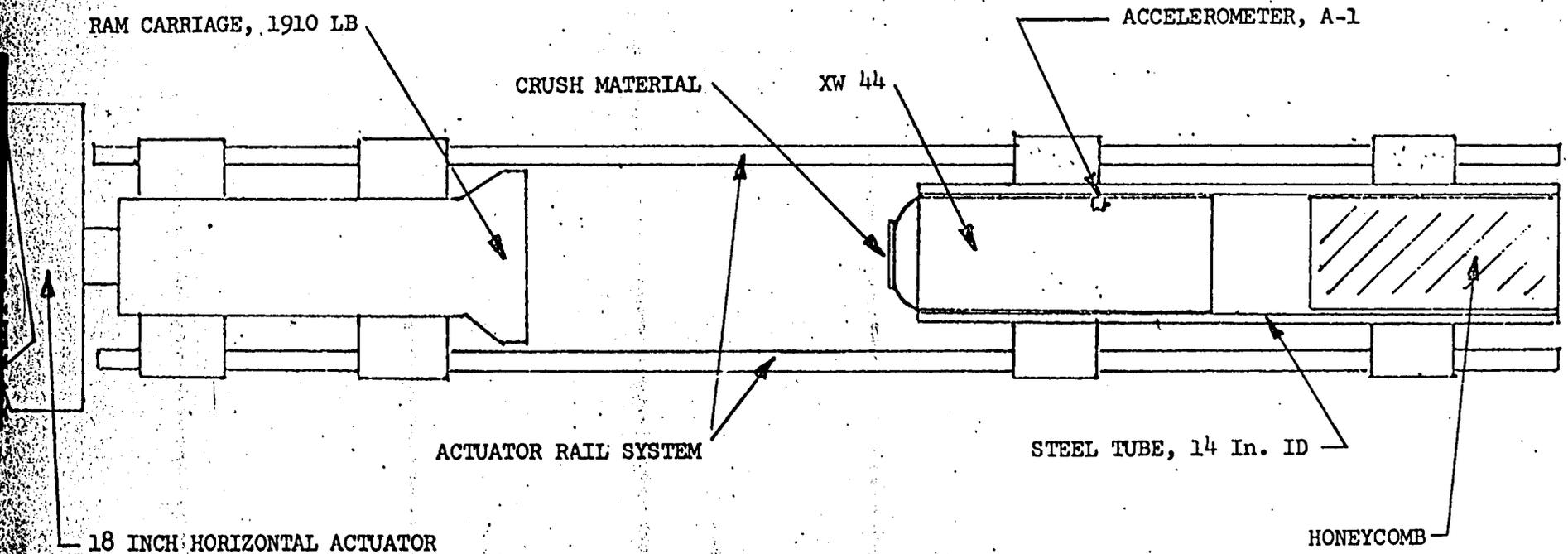


FIGURE 1. TEST SETUP FOR MECHANICAL SHOCK TEST OF XW44.

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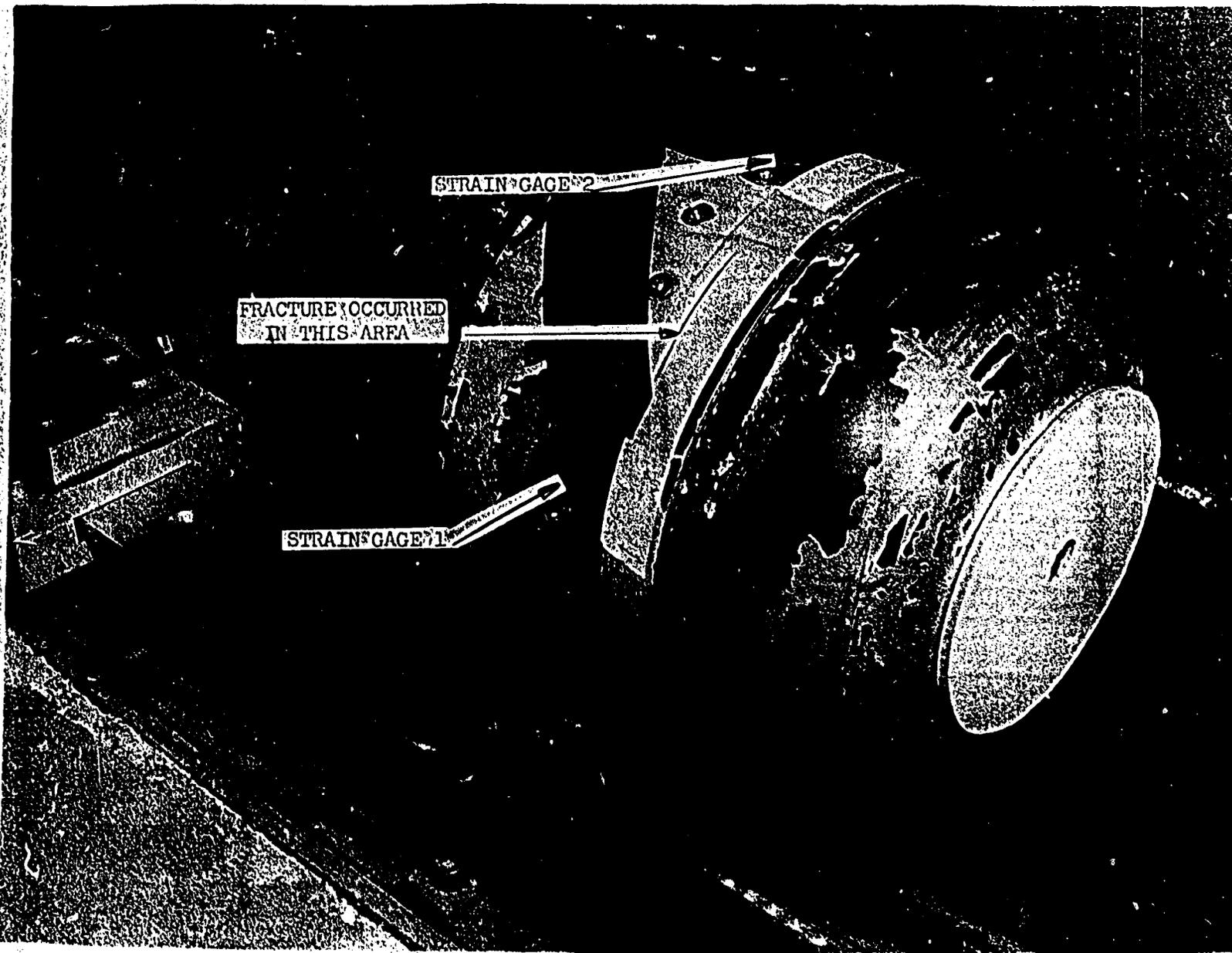


FIGURE 2. STRAIN GAGE LOCATIONS.

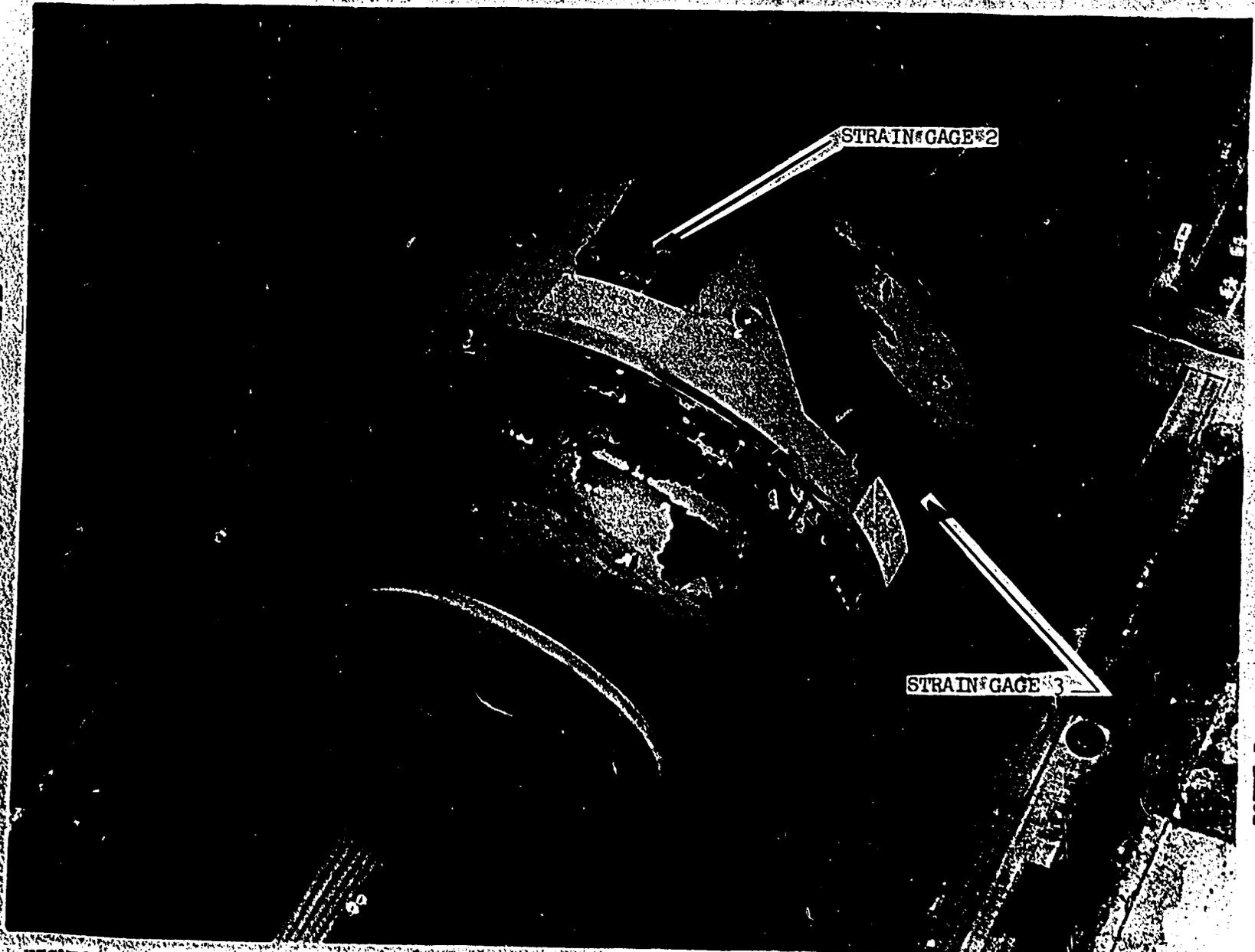
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FIGURE 3. STRAIN GAGE LOCATIONS.

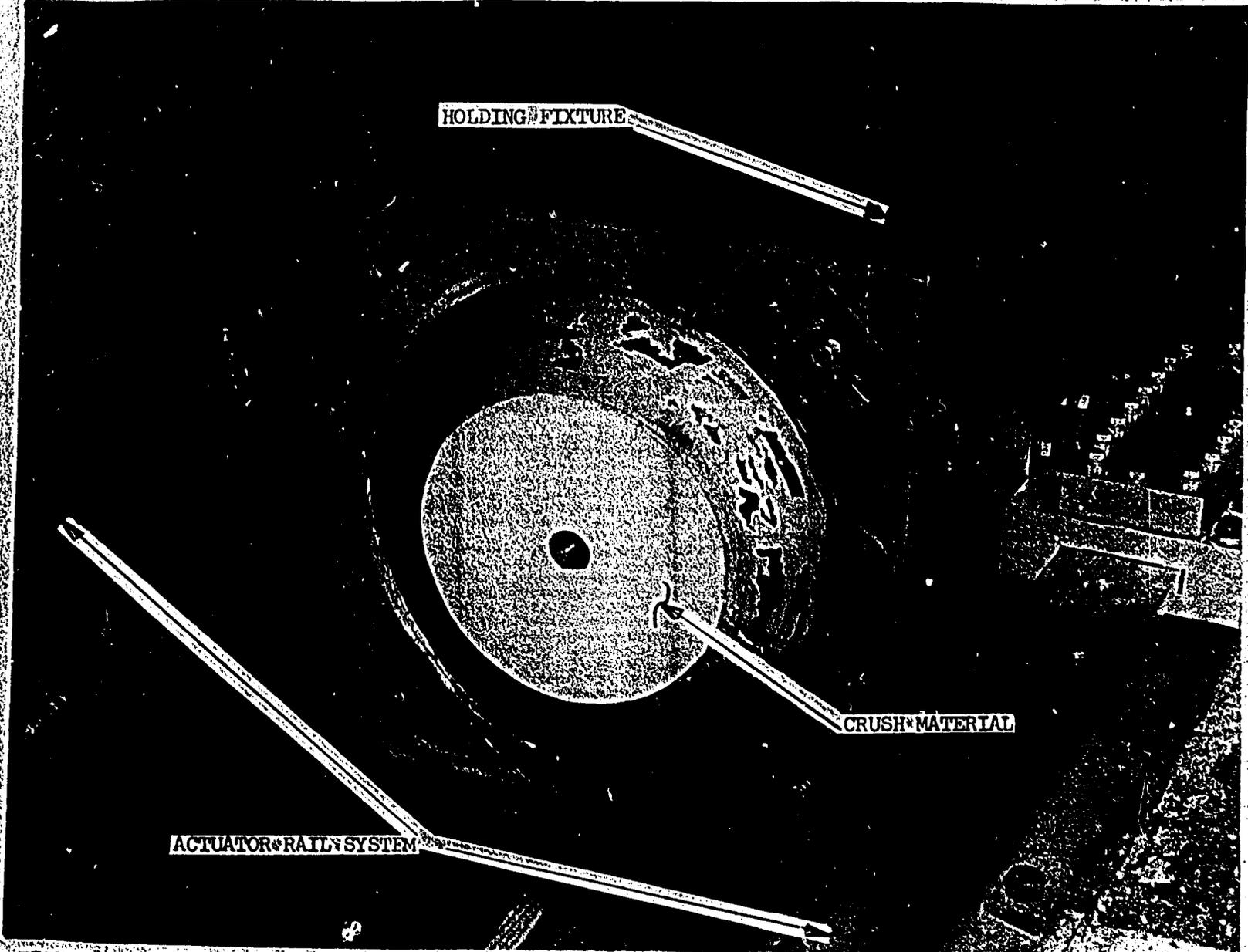
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FIGURE 4. DUMMY CASE IN POSITION, SHOWING CRUSH MATERIAL.

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