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1. This standard supplementing Federal Standard FED-STD-595 dated 1 March 1956, has been approved by the Department of Defense and is mandatory for use by the Departments of the Army, the Navy, and the Air Force.
2. In accordance with established procedure, the Corps of Engineers, Bureau of Ships and the Aeronautical Systems Division, respectively, have been designated as Army, Navy and Air Force custodians of this standard.
3. This standard is mandatory for use effective on date of issue by the Departments of the Army, the Navy, and the Air Force.
4. Recommended corrections, additions, or deletions should be addressed to the Standardization Division, Armed Forces Supply Support Center, Washington 25, D. C.

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INTRODUCTION

The intent of this standard is to provide standard colors for use by the Departments of the Army, the Navy, and the Air Force.

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1. The first part of the report deals with the general situation of the country and the progress of the work during the year.

2. The second part deals with the results of the work during the year.

3. The third part deals with the conclusions drawn from the work.

4. The fourth part deals with the recommendations.

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10. The tenth part deals with the conclusions.

11. The eleventh part deals with the summary.

12. The twelfth part deals with the appendix.

1. SCOPE

1.1 This standard established colors used by the Departments of the Army, the Navy, and the Air Force in further limitation of, but otherwise based on, the colors available in Standard FED-STD-595. Standardization is based on spectrophotometric data. Procedure is established for use of this standard in specifications for, and the procurement of, paint and related products. In some instances data for certain specific colors is not complete. When available a change notice will be issued to list the data.

2. REFERENCED DOCUMENTS

2.1 The following documents, of the issue in effect on date of invitation for bids, form a part of this standard to the extent specified herein:

STANDARDS

FEDERAL

- FED-STD-141 - Paint, Varnish, Lacquer, and Related Materials; Methods of Inspection, Sampling, and Testing.
- FED-STD-595 - Colors.

(Copies of specifications, standards, drawings, and publications required by contractors in connection with specific procurement functions should be obtained from the procuring activity or as directed by the contracting officer.)

2.2 Other publications. - The following documents form a part of this specification to the extent specified herein. Unless otherwise indicated, the issue in effect on date of invitation for bids shall apply.

AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR TESTING AND MATERIALS

- D1482-57T - Method of Test for Color Difference Using the General Electric Spectrophotometer.
- D1495-60T - Method of Test for Color Difference Using the Color Eye.
- D1536-58T - Method of Test for Color Difference Using the Colormaster Differential Colorimeter.

(Application for copies should be addressed to the American Society for Testing and Materials, 1916 Race Street, Philadelphia 2, Pa.)

3. REQUIREMENTS

3.1 For Color reference purposes the five digit system and number of Standard FED-STD-595 shall be used.

3.2 The colors of Standard FED-STD-595 used by the Departments of the Army, Navy, and Air Force listed in table I, are standardized by the spectrophotometric curves and the derived chromaticity coordinates of Appendix I based on the original color sources used in establishing Standard FED-STD-595 and obtained in accordance with method 4251 of Standard FED-STD-141.

3.3 For color matching purposes, individual color cards shall be provided by requirements of the detail document. Where exact or close match is required, individual cards shall be maintained by laboratory check against the appropriate spectrophotometric curve to within one half the color match tolerance required of the product. Requirements for special properties such as gloss, texture, fluorescence, and metamerism shall be specified in the detail document. Where close match is not required the individual color cards of Standard FED-STD-595 may be used.

3.4 Unless otherwise specified by detail document, color match of paints and related products shall be exact or within one National Bureau of Standards (NBS) unit for finish coats and three NBS units for primers in the direction of minus ΔL , Δa and Δb as determined by ASTM Method D1482-57T, D1536-58T, D1495-60T or similar procedure using an instrument of equal sensitivity.

4. GENERAL NOTES

4.1 The colors of this standard were adopted originally and are used for the following purposes:

- (a) Camouflage.
- (b) Habitability - decoration of living spaces.
- (c) Marking and identification.
- (d) Safety.
- (e) Visibility - working spaces.
- (f) Natural color of formulations such as primers.

4.2 Originally, most, if not all, of the colors were identified by color cards subject to more or less color drift over a period of years. The only control exercised in some instances was a requirement for a specific directional reflectance. Experience has shown that it is impracticable to maintain color standards by use of color cards alone. Limited spectrophotometric and trichromatic coefficient control without control of color drift of stocked color cards or control after distribution (present status of Standard FED-STD-595) also is unsatisfactory for close color matching purposes. Even standardization by spectrophotometric methods with control of color drift and distribution of color cards has not been entirely satisfactory. In addition to control of color drift, distribution of color cards with each contract and restrictions on color matching tolerances must be observed to obtain stocks of paint of reasonably uniform color.

4.3 The Federal standard color cards have not been reproduced or maintained with sufficient accuracy for exact or close color control, however, the colors are suitable for desk reference and use where exact or close match is not required. For the Departments of the Army, Navy, and Air Force, limited quantities of color cards standardized against the appropriate spectrophotometric standard will be available for color matching purposes for use by Government testing laboratories, inspectors, suppliers with contracts involving color matching and others who can justify need for a more exact color card than that available under the Federal standard. Unless otherwise specified by reference document or furnished with contract or order, these special color cards may be obtained from the Chemical Laboratory, Norfolk Naval Shipyard, Portsmouth, Virginia upon proof of need.

4.4 Although most of the colors of this standard have had long usage, color in general has more of a psychological and subjective aspect than most items standardized and is therefore much more apt to be changed. Accordingly, Appendix I has been established on a loose leaf basis to more readily permit amendment, revision, deletion, or addition upon presentation of adequate justification.

4.5 Spectrophotometric curves which are available are included in this standard. Additional curves will be added when available. Military activities requiring additions or deletions of colors should submit their requirement to the Bureau of Ships for standardization consideration.

4.6 The prefix "X" specified in table I indicates an interim number either of a color not in Standard FED-STD-595 at the time of issuance of this standard or a revised color for Department of Defense use.

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Copies of this standard for Military use may be obtained as indicated in the foreword to the Index of Military Specifications and Standards.

The title and identifying symbol should be stipulated when requesting copies of military standards.)

Notice. - When Government drawings, specifications, or other data are used for any purpose other than in connection with a definitely related Government procurement operation, the United States Government thereby incurs no responsibility nor any obligation whatsoever; and the fact that the Government may have formulated, furnished, or in any way supplied the said drawings, specifications, or other data is not to be regarded by implication or otherwise as in any manner licensing the holder or any other person or corporation or conveying any rights or permission to manufacture, use, or sell any patented invention that may in any way be related thereto.

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Navy - Ships
Air Force - AMC

Preparing activity:
Navy - Ships
(Project 8010-0028)

Table I - Colors

GLOSS COLOR	x	y	Y	SEMI-GLOSS COLOR	x	y	Y	LUSTRE-LESS COLOR	x	y	Y
10032	.4044	.3333	.0122								
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				20059	.3862	.3526	.0536				
				20061	.4325	.3282	.0554				
10075	.3991	.3581	.0632								
10076	.5264	.3503	.0551								
10080	.3977	.3625	.0629								
10091	.5122	.3783	.0667								
				20109				30099	.3803	.3627	.0800
								30109	.4566	.3486	.1021
								30111	.3861	.3335	.1054
								30117	.4310	.3743	.1017
								30118			
10219				20219				30219	.3769	.3582	.2114
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10233				20233				30233	.3948	.3440	.2349
				20252				30252	.4278	.3579	.2390
								30257	.4321	.4024	.2499
10266								30266	.4173	.4120	.2529
								30277	.3591	.3645	.2843
								30279	.3749	.3505	.2681
								30313			
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				21575				31575	.3640	.3417	.5374
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								32169	.5032	.3711	.1606
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				22276				32276	.4691	.3650	.2679
								32356			
				22519	.3676	.3496	.4965				
				22563	.3598	.3547	.5394				
				22630				32630	.3555	.3452	.6534
12648				22648				32648	.3655	.3543	.6332
								33434	.4457	.4250	.4210
								33481	.4274	.4519	.4791
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				23617				33617	.3393	.3432	.6051
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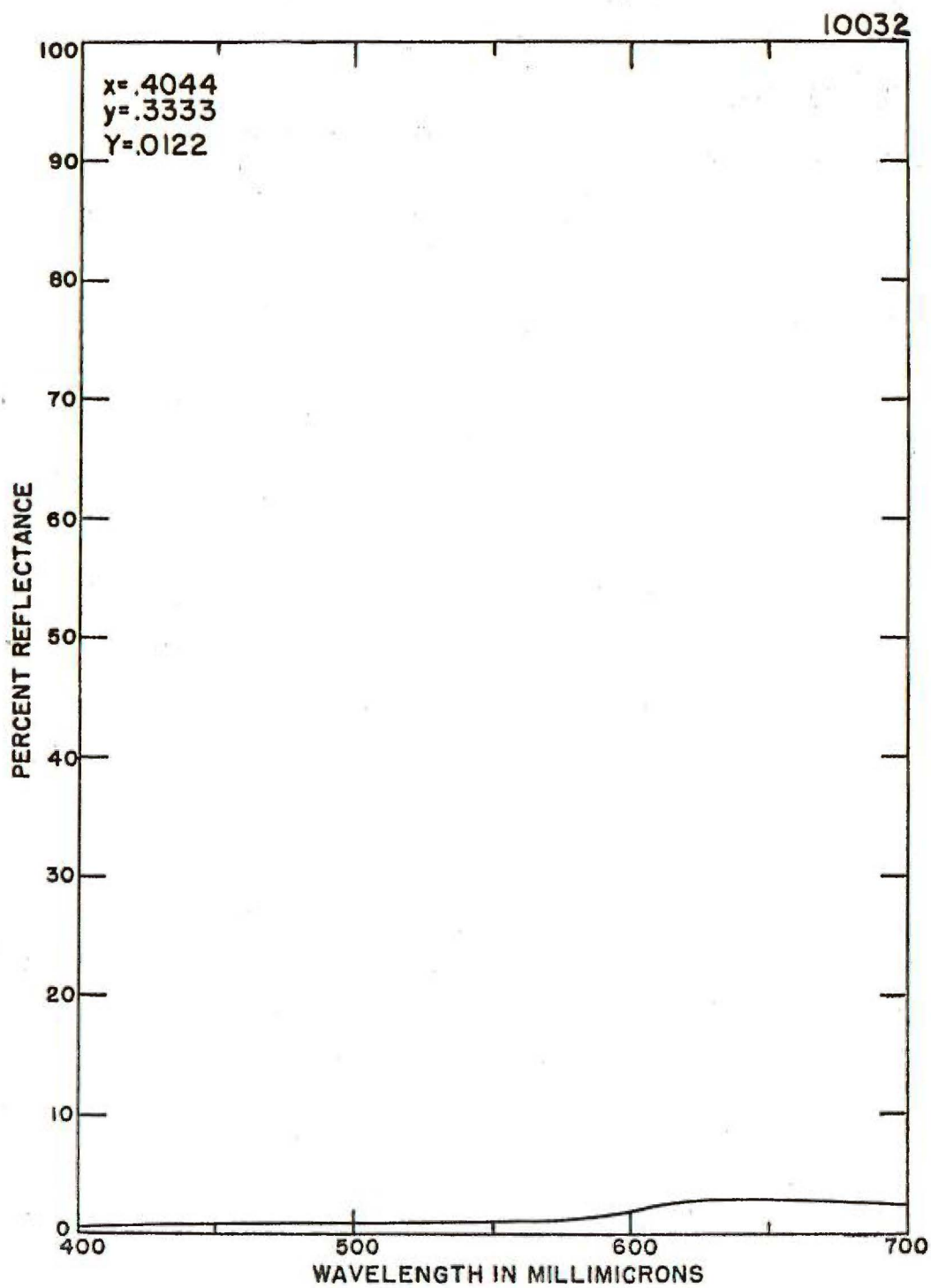
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				24554				34554			
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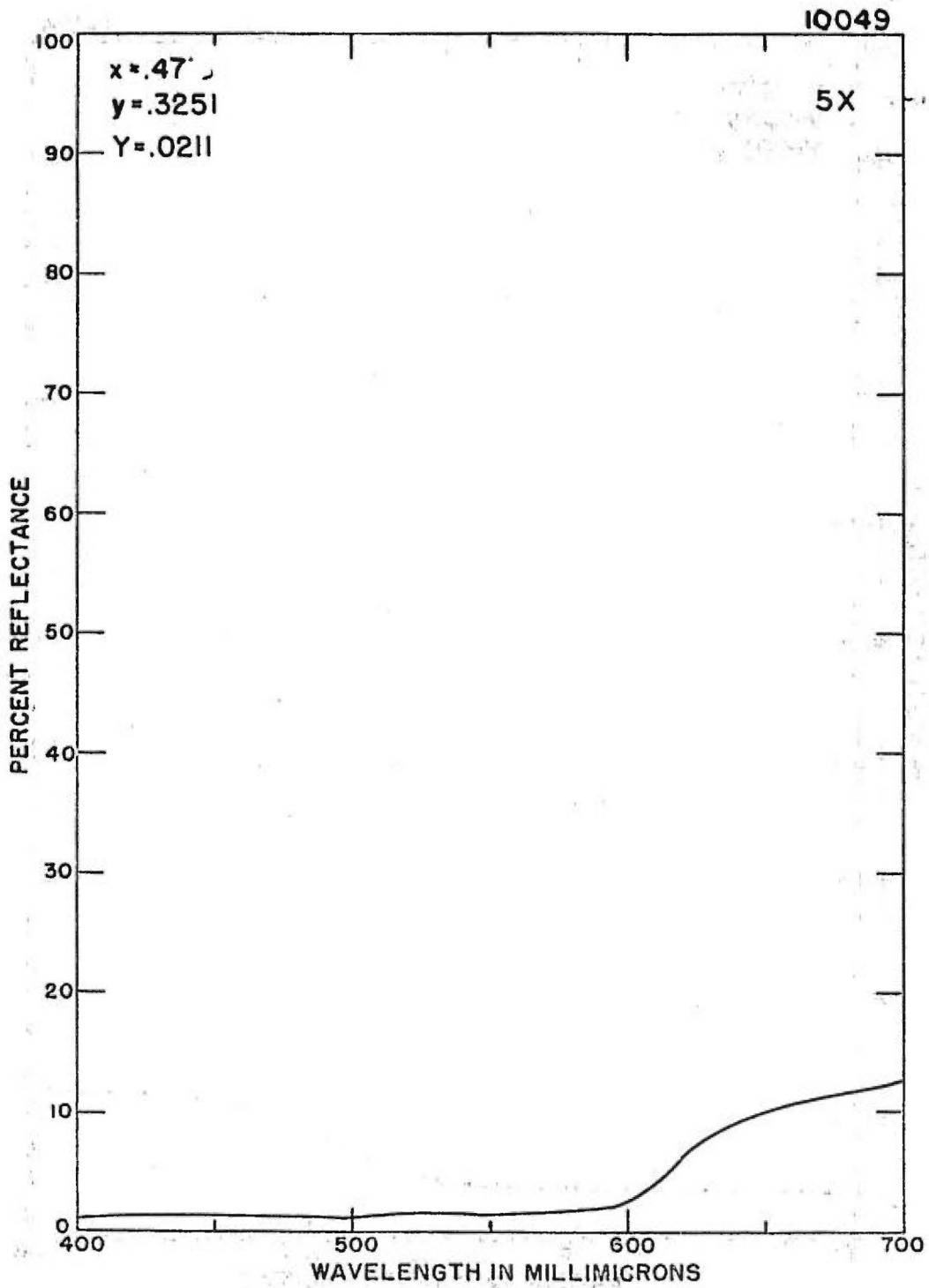
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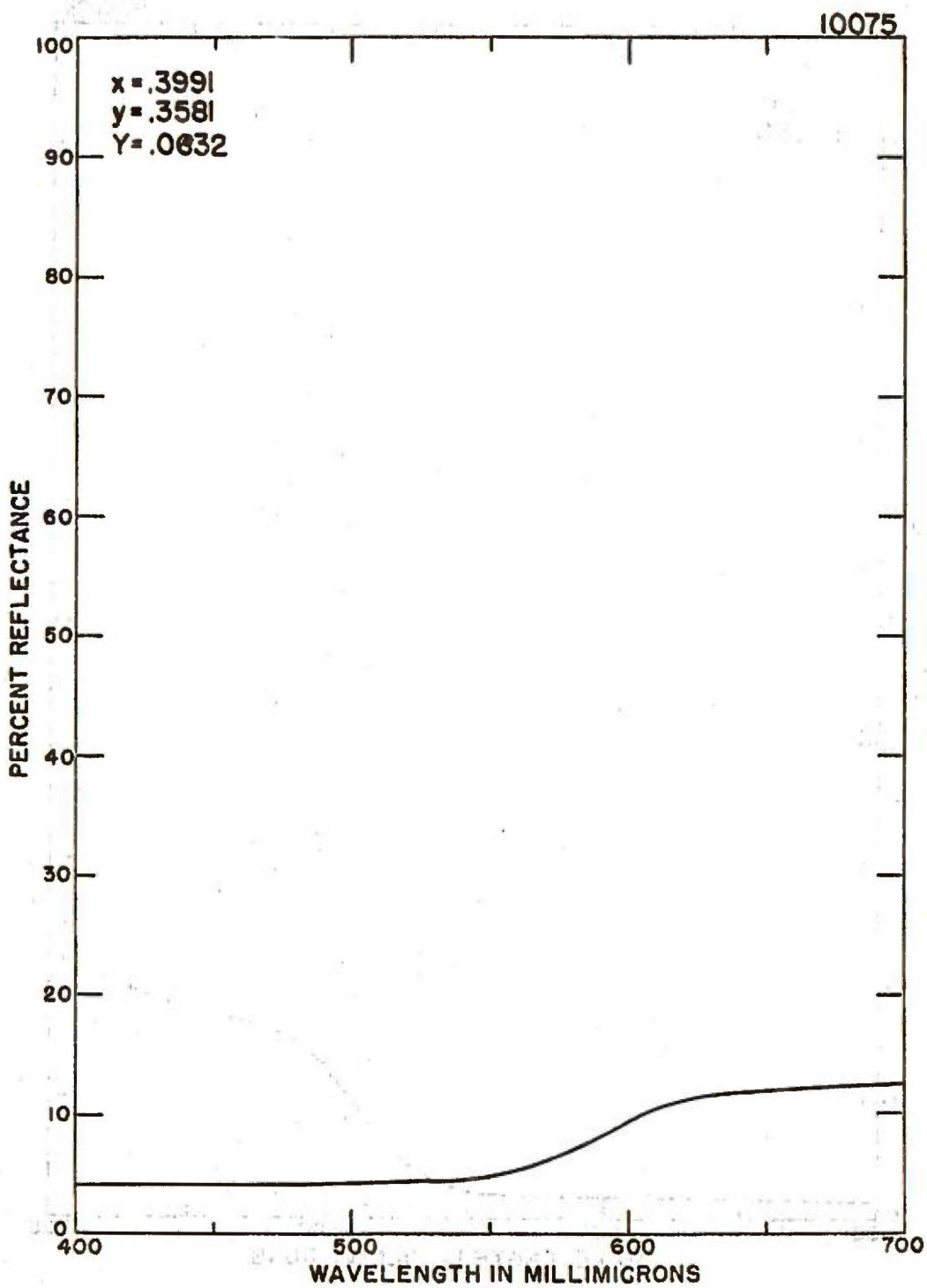
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								35414			
15526				25526				35526			
				25622				35622			
								36076	.2919	.2935	.0730
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				26293				36293	.3082	.3145	.2891
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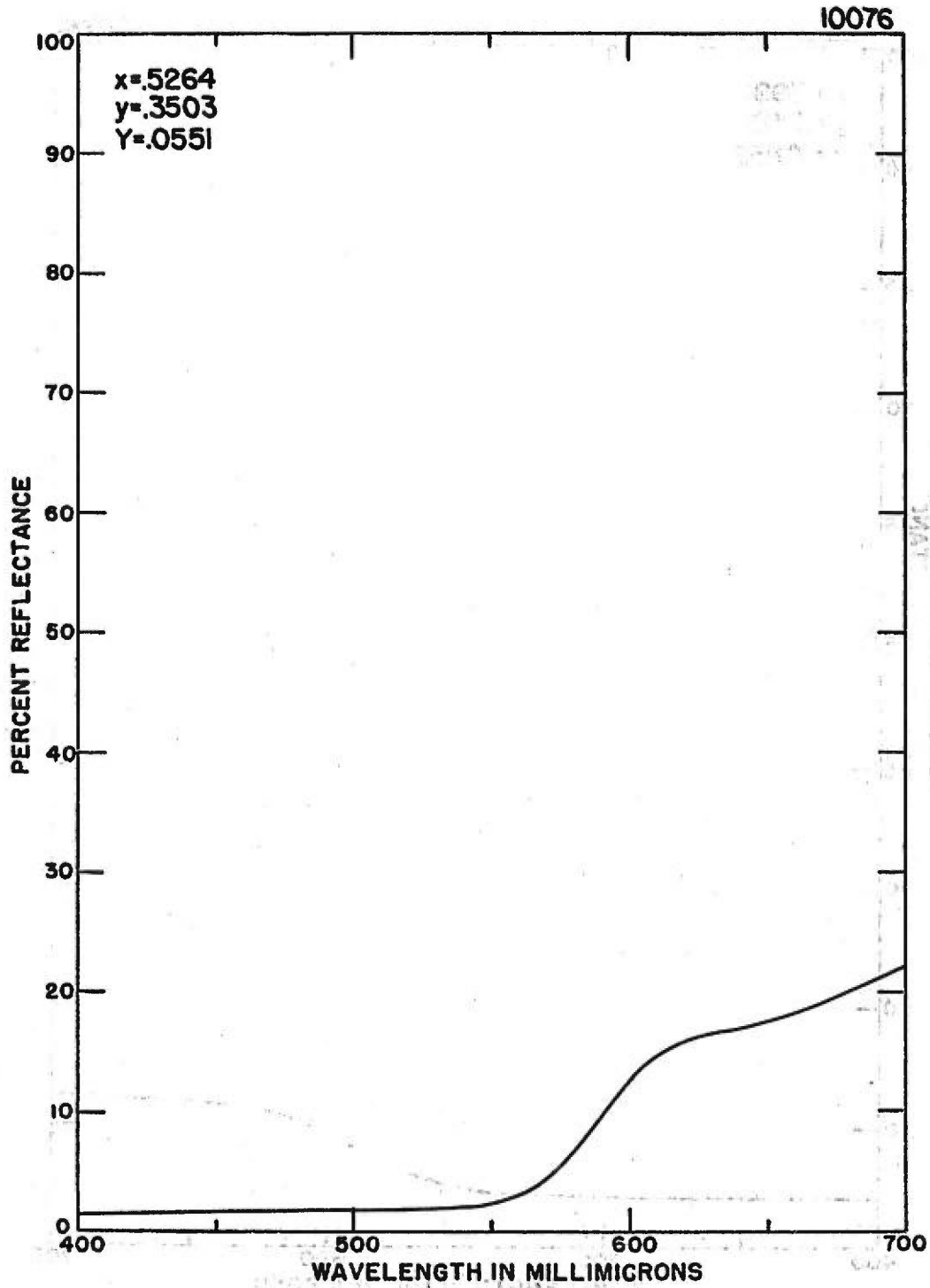
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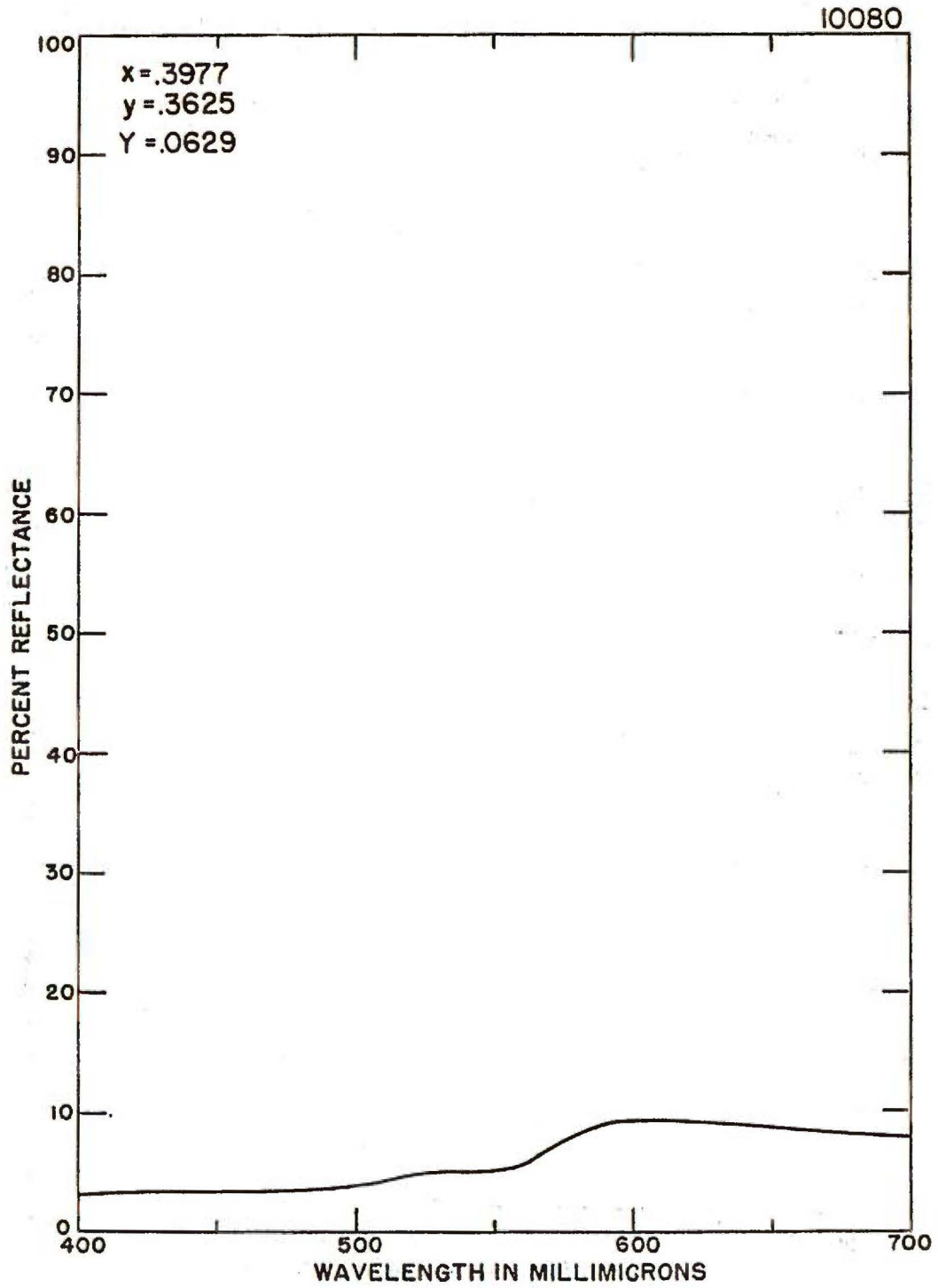
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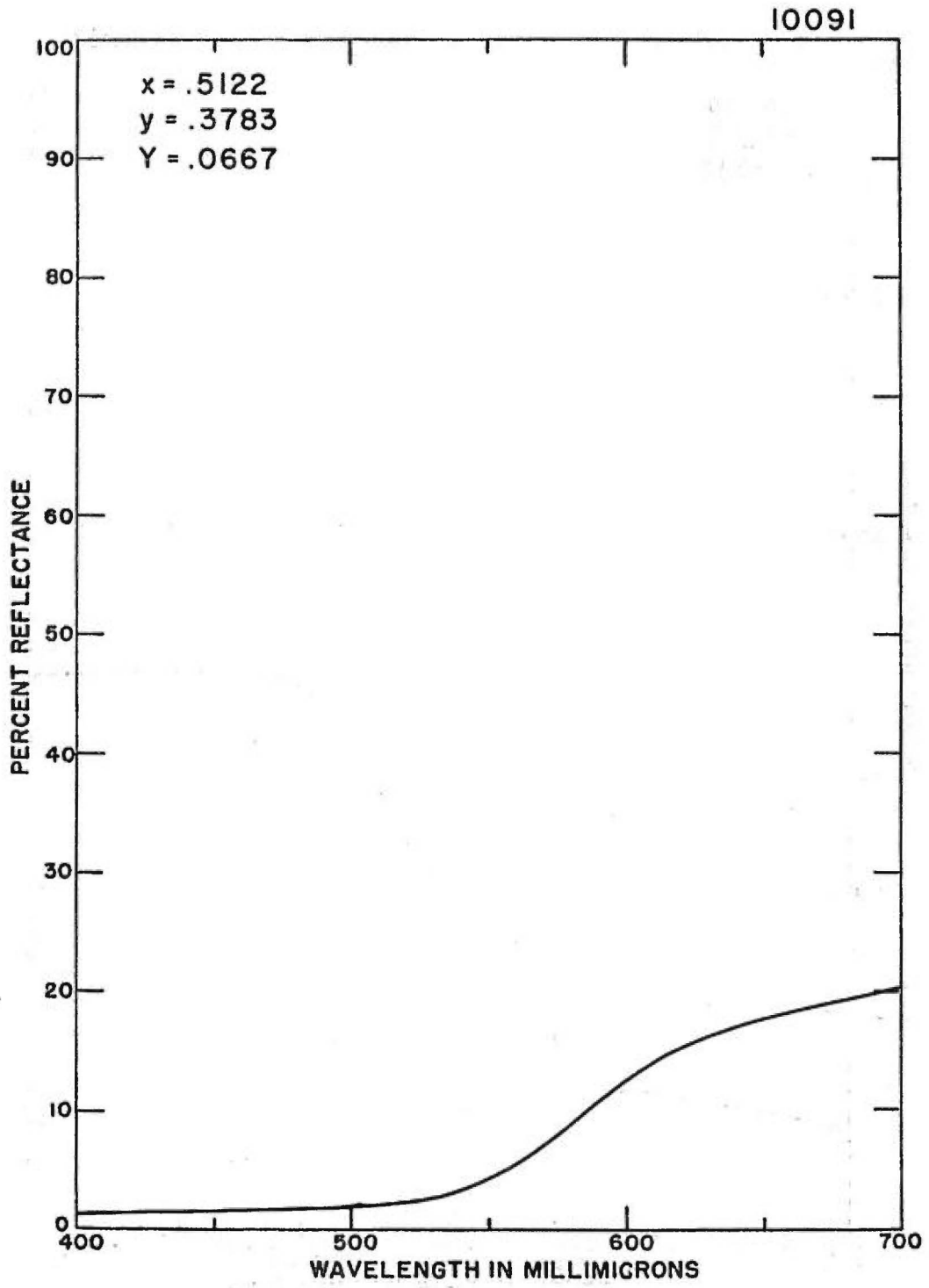


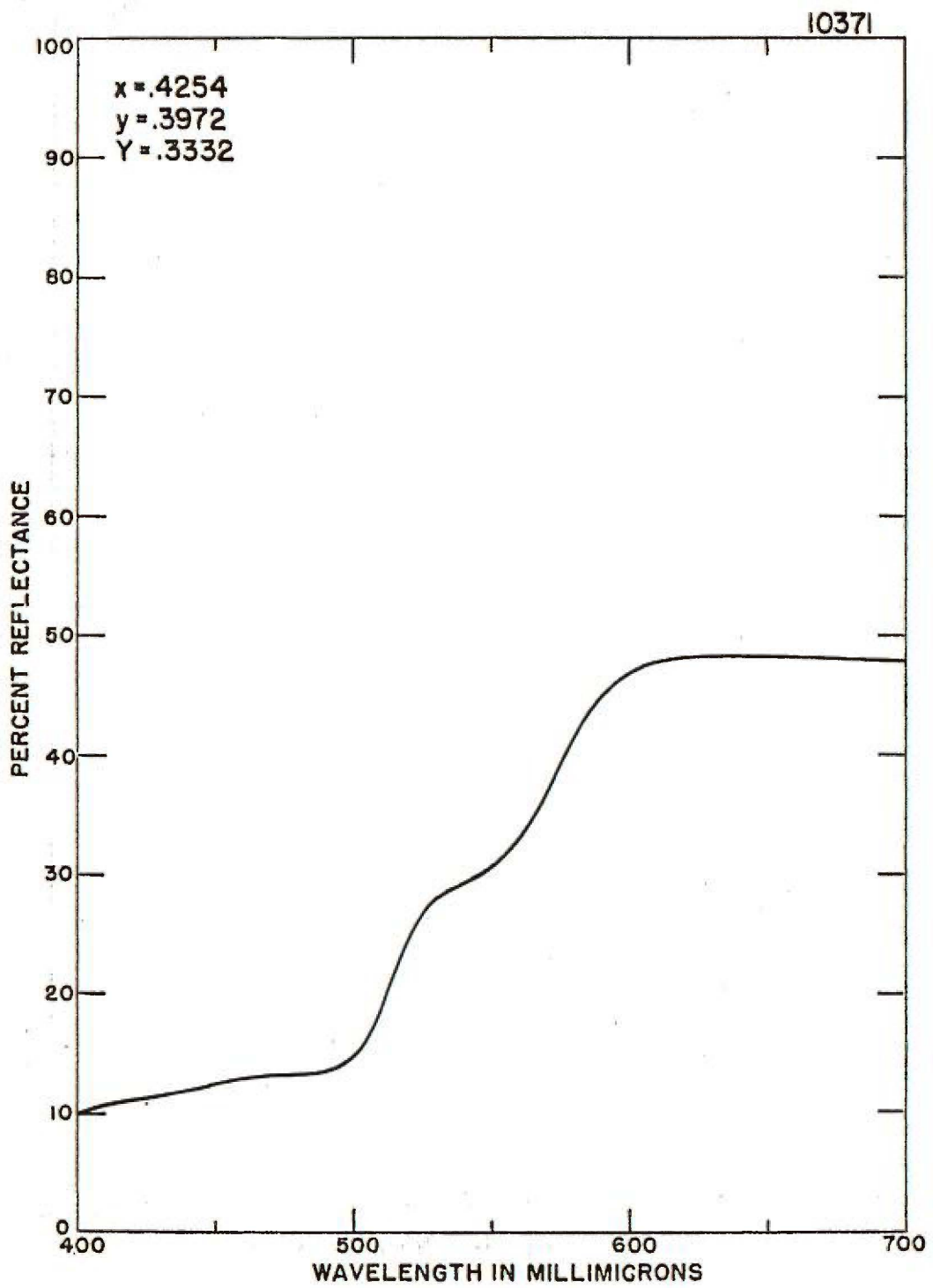


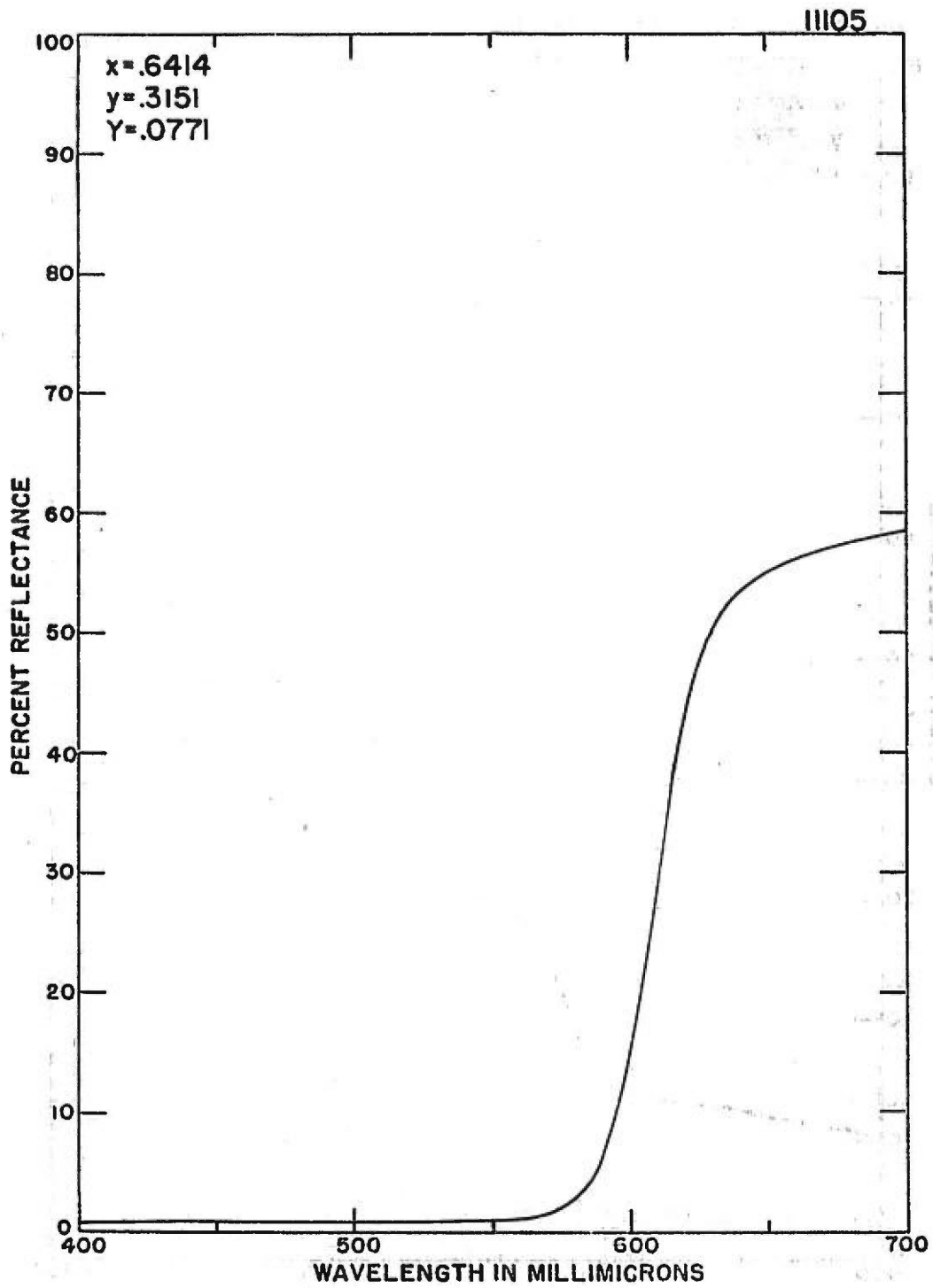


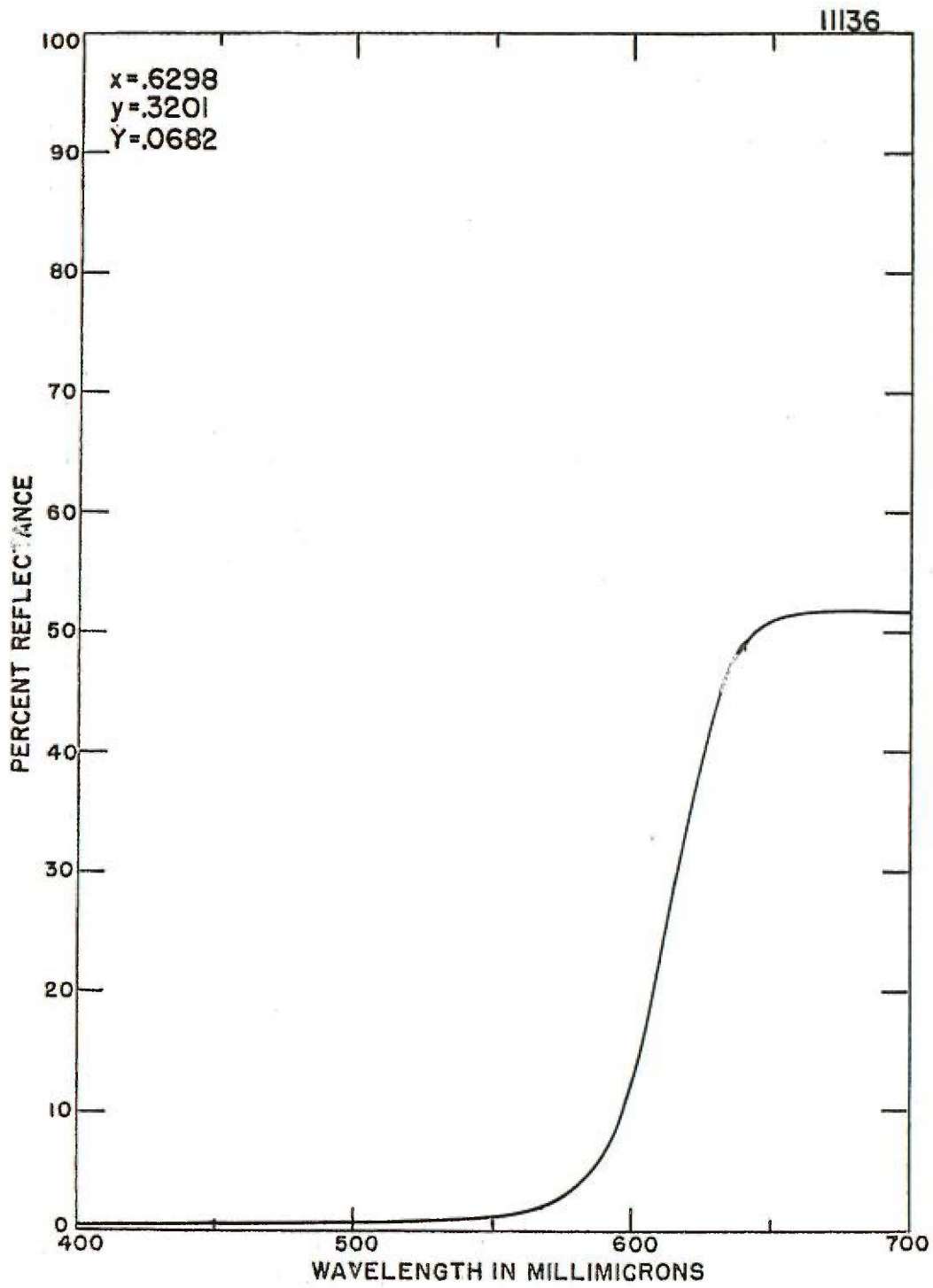


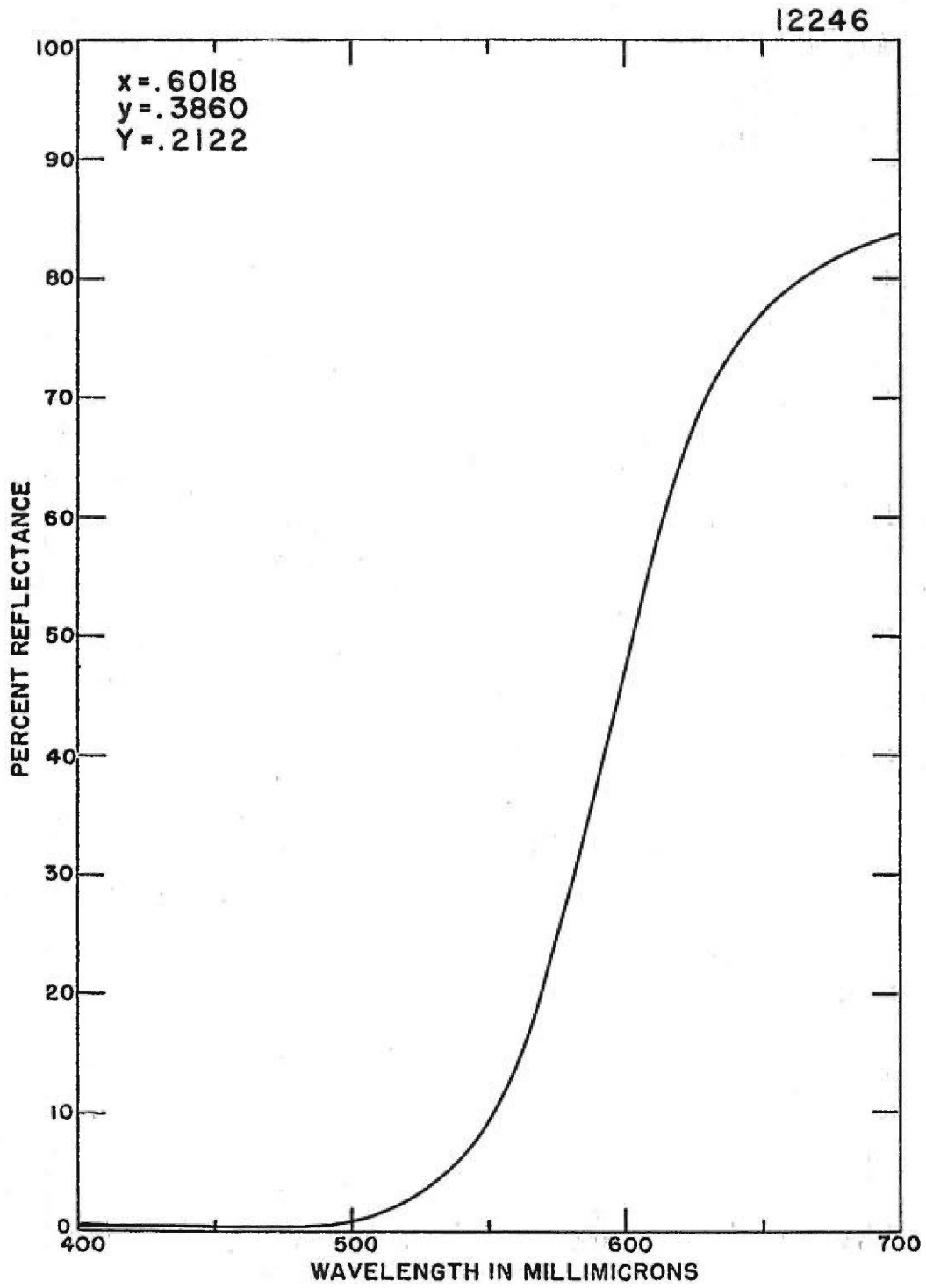


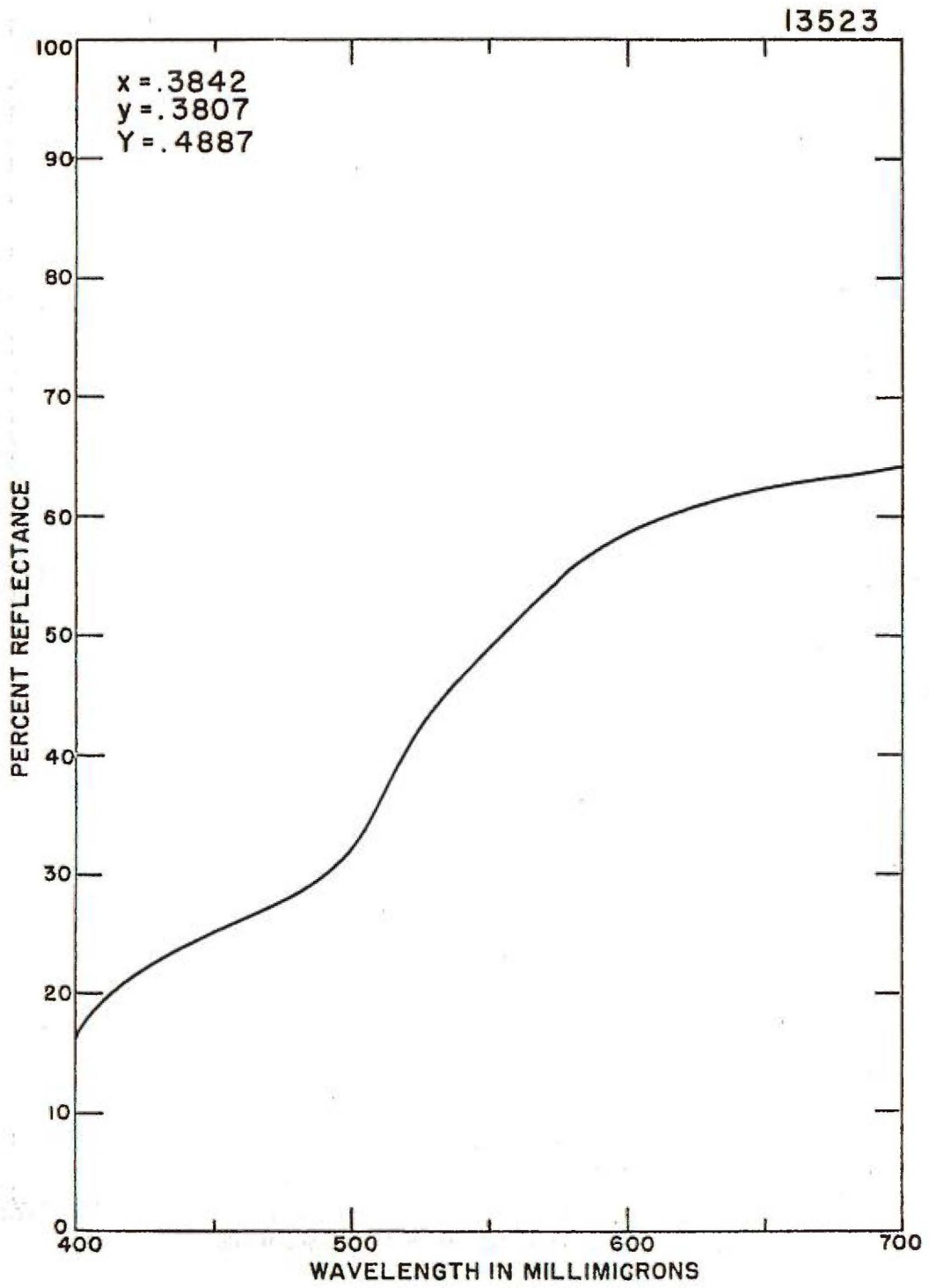




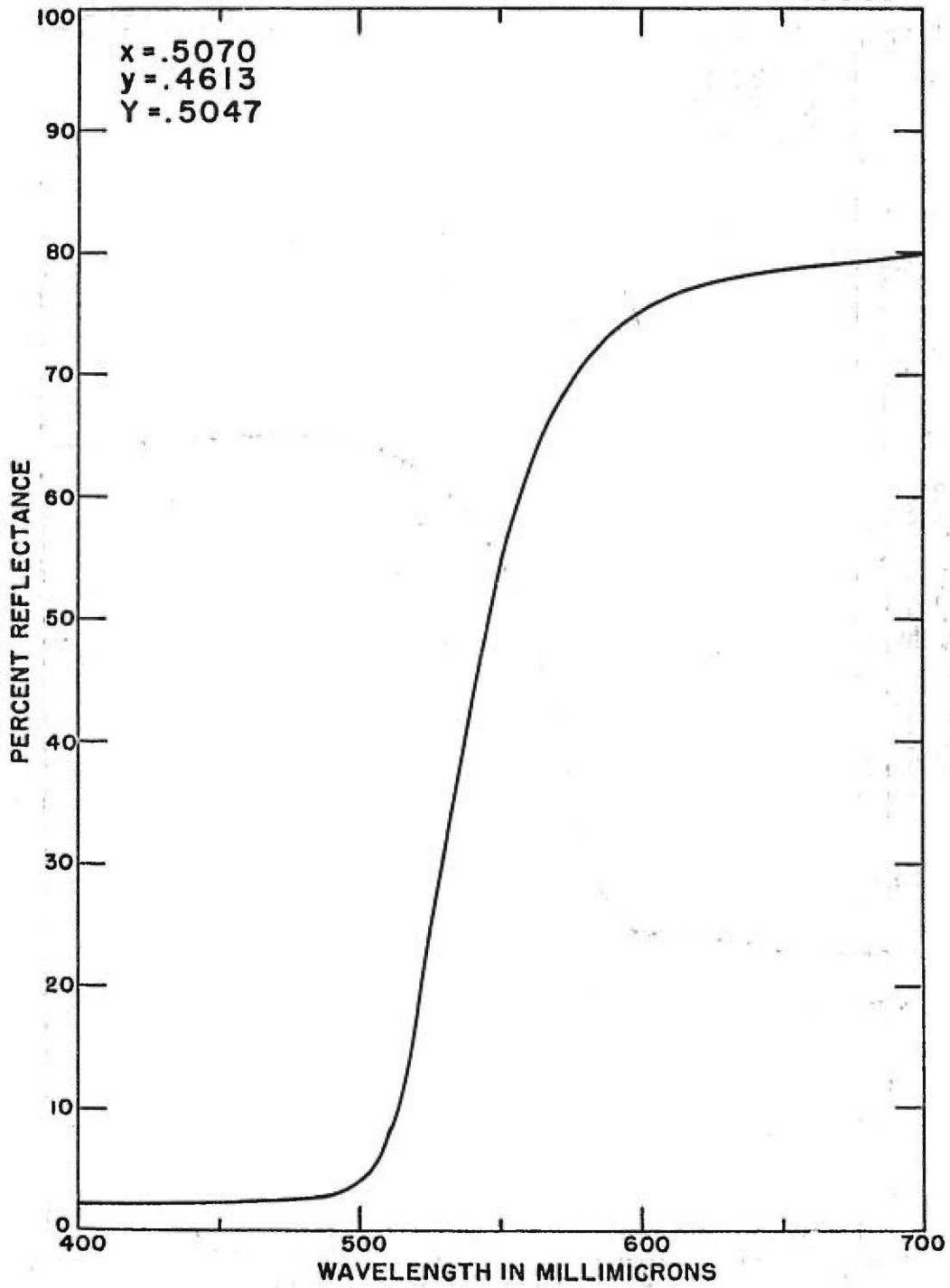


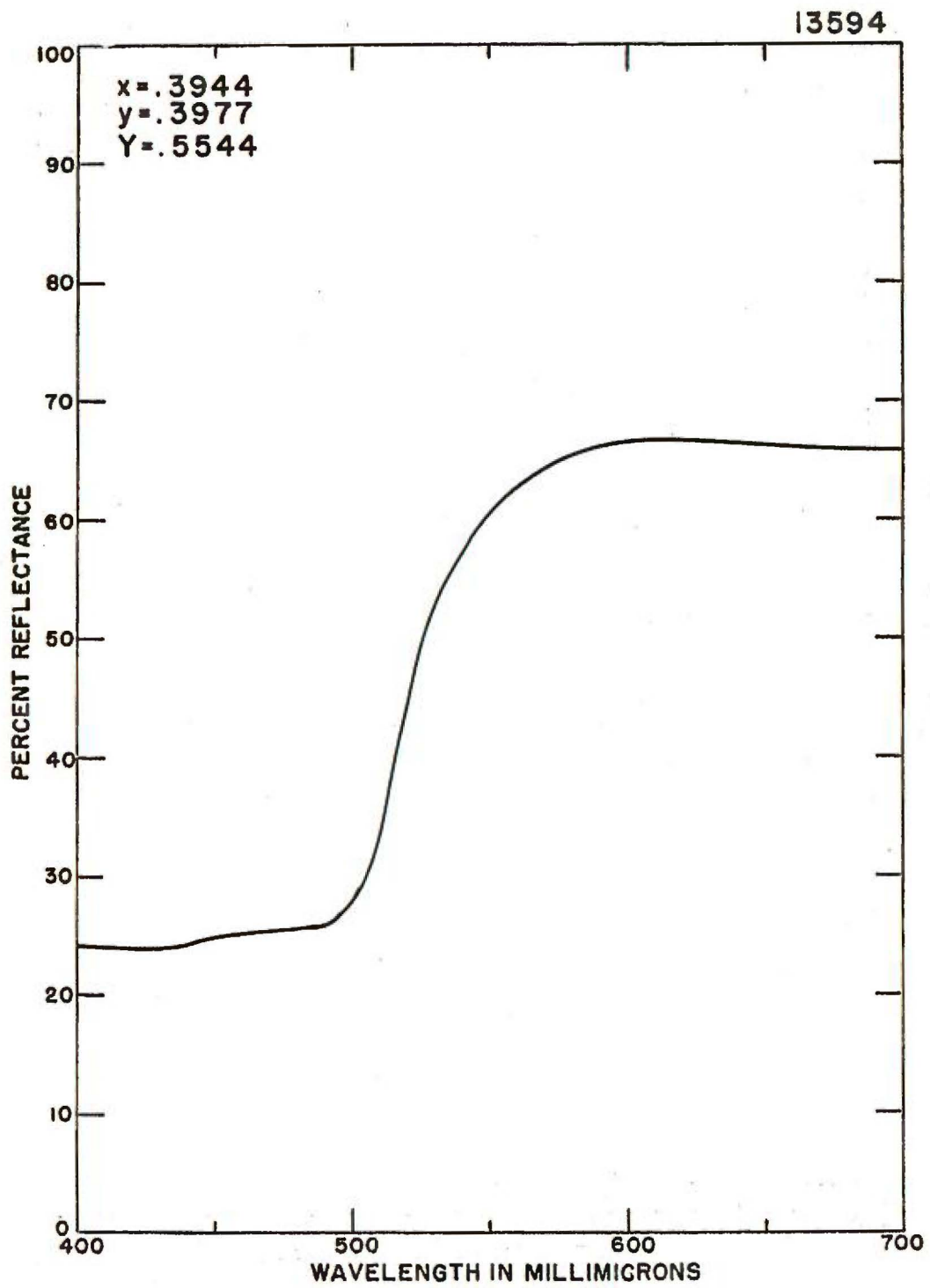


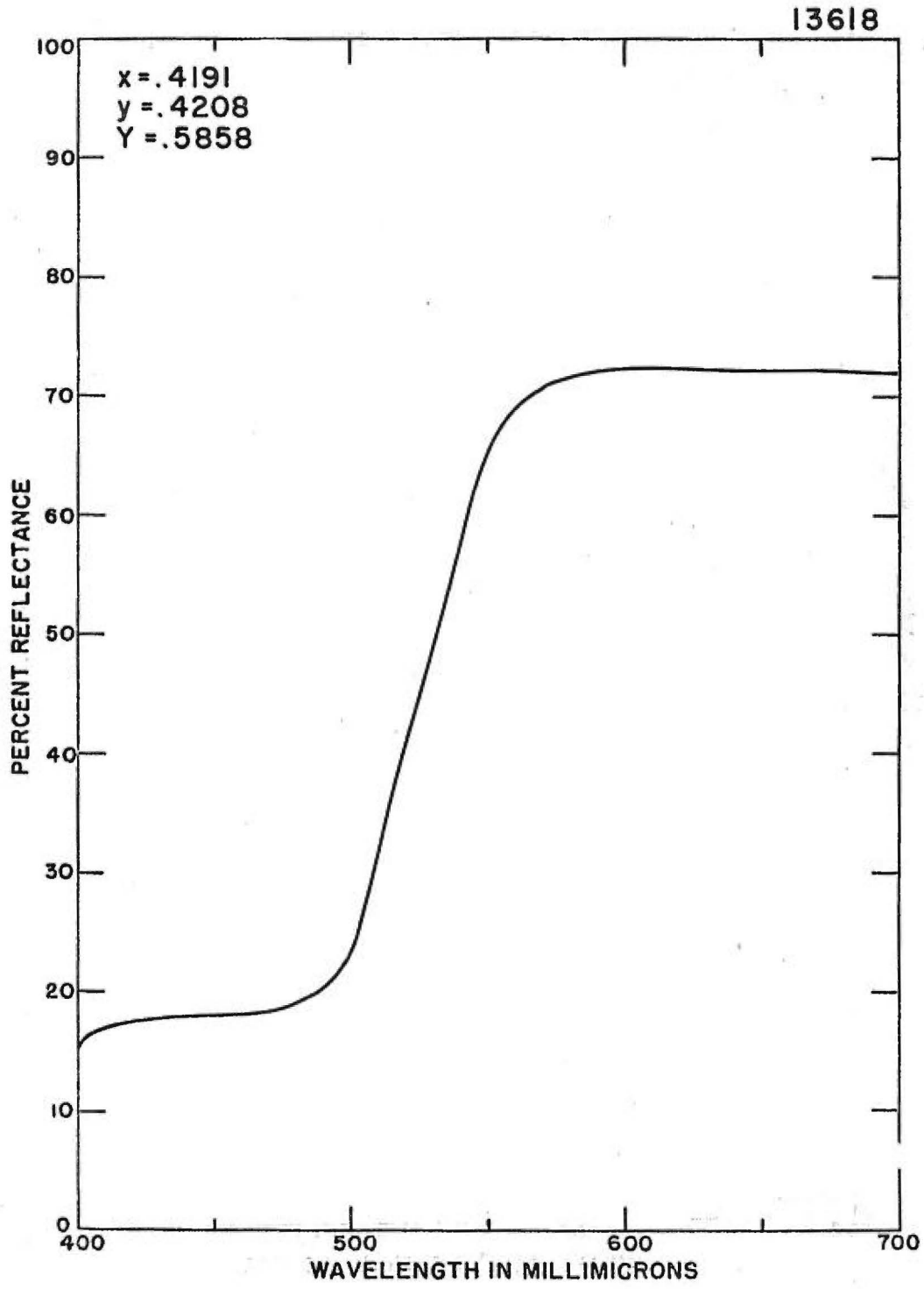


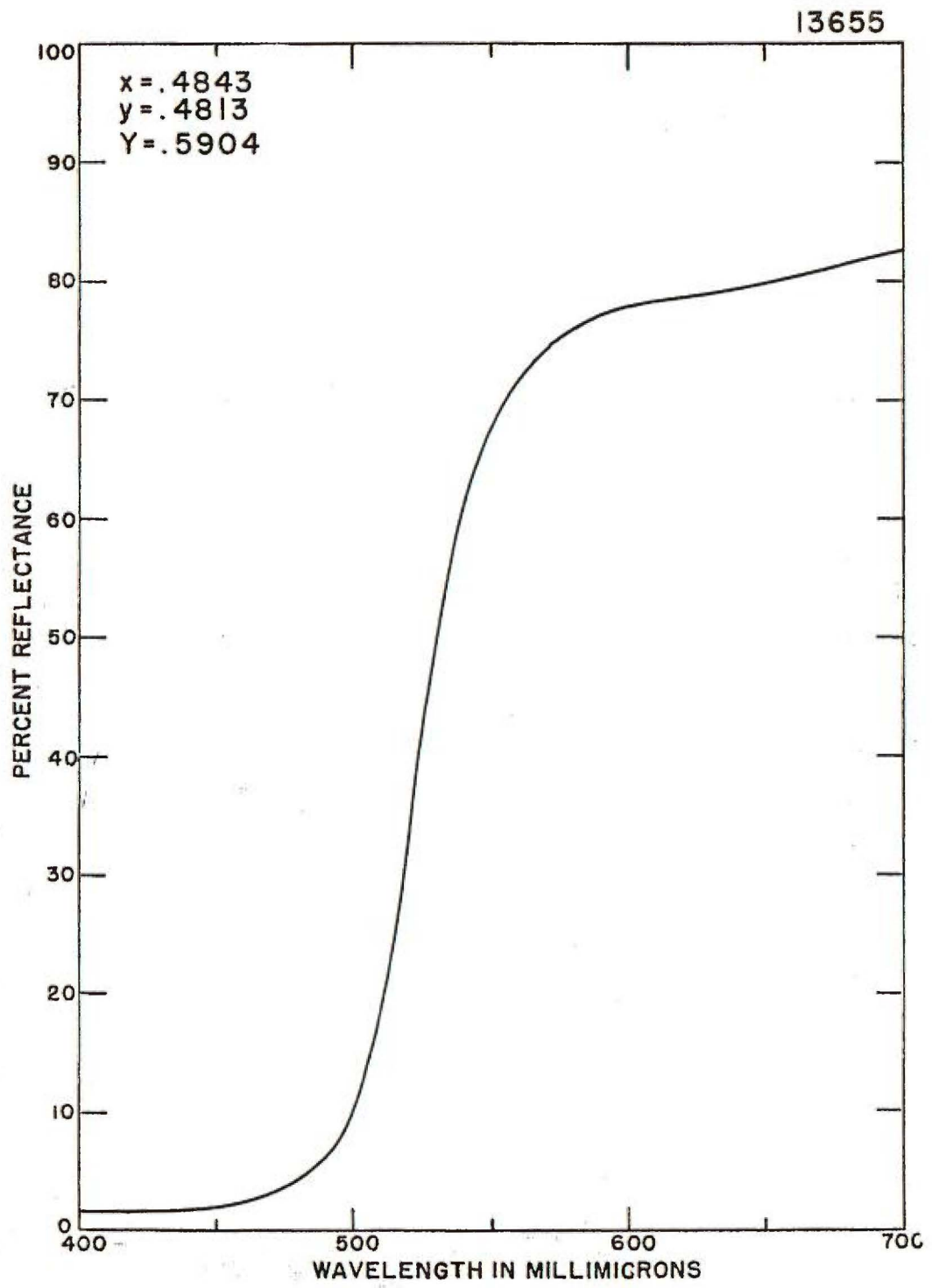


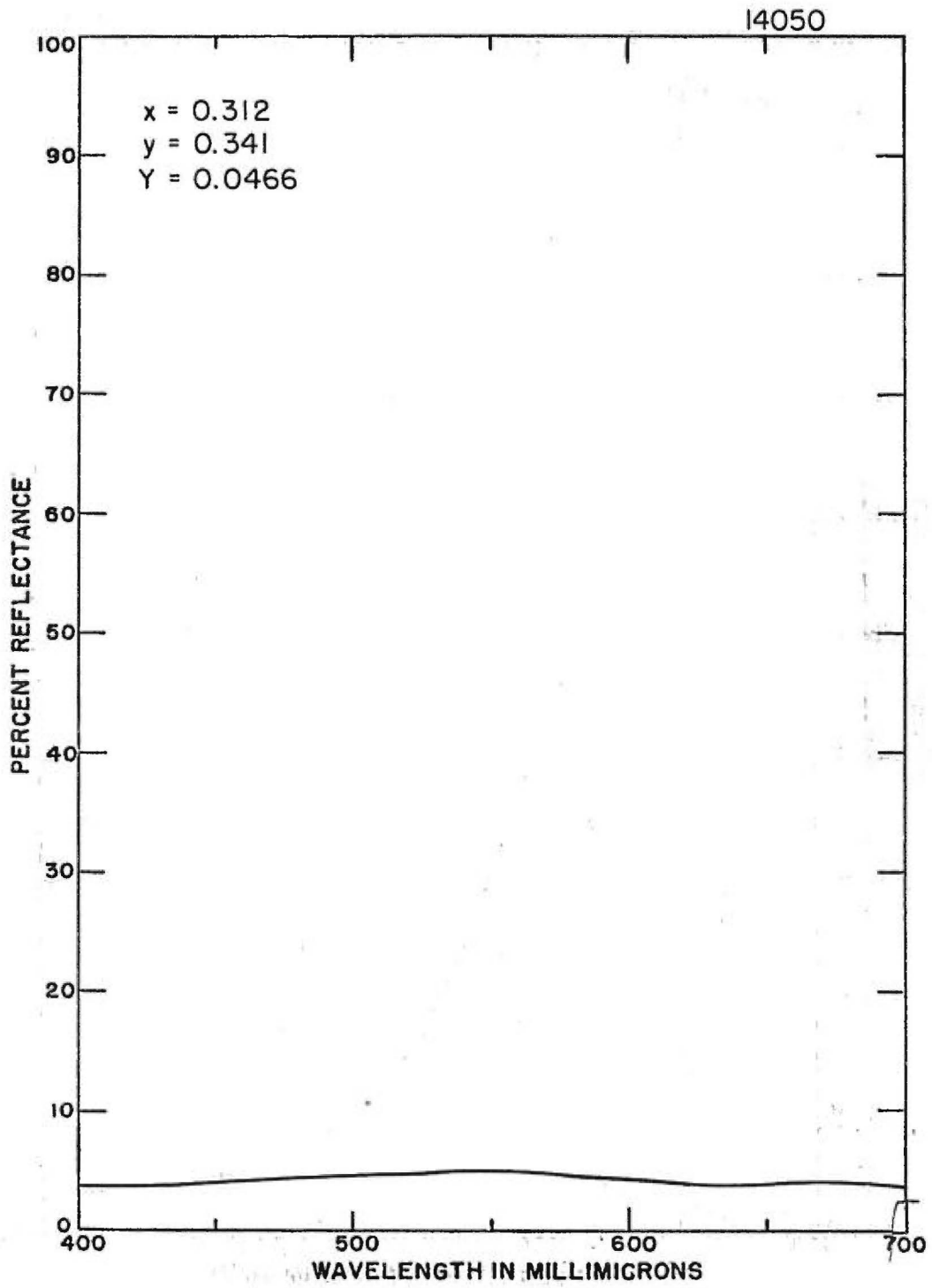
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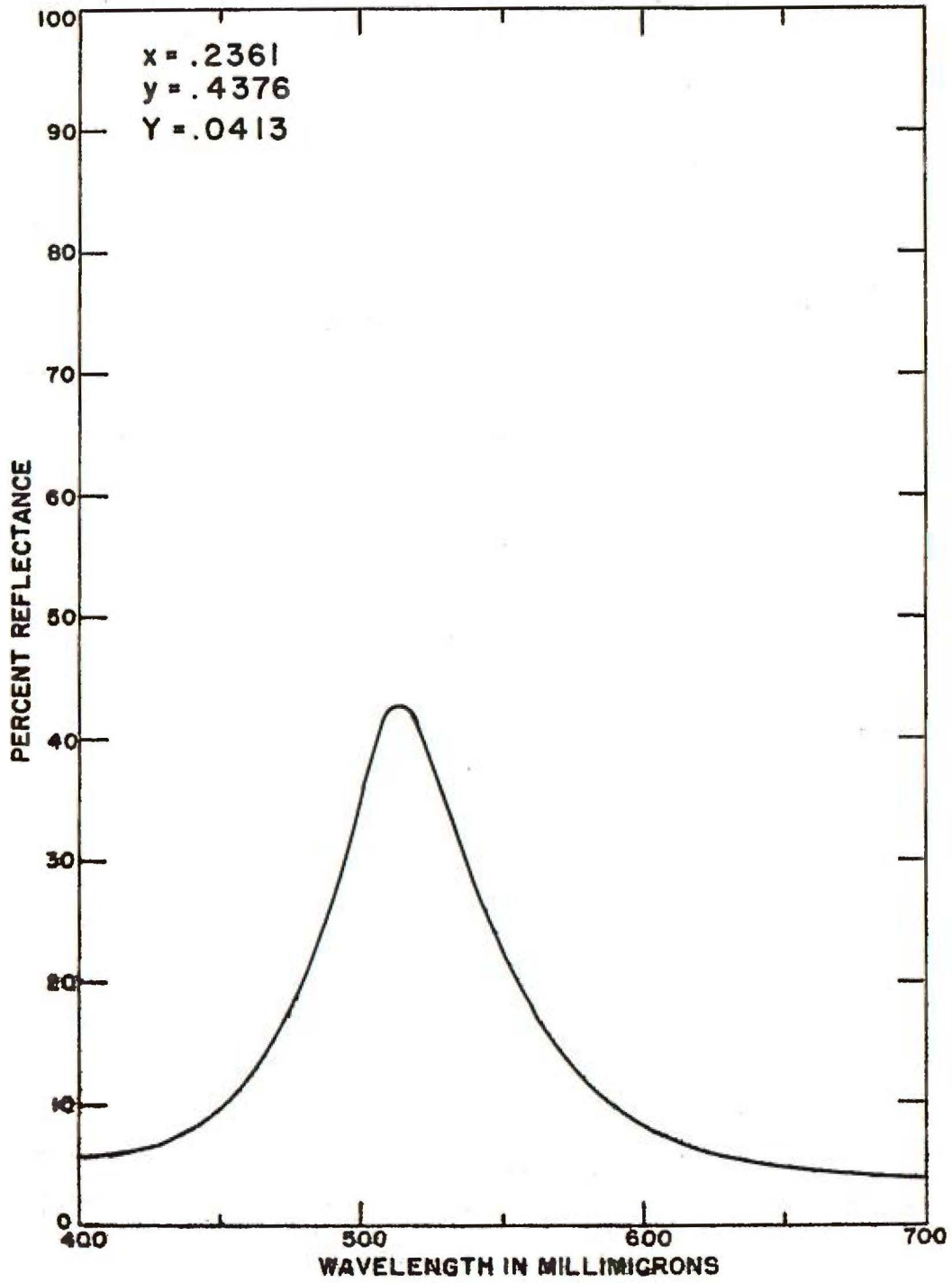


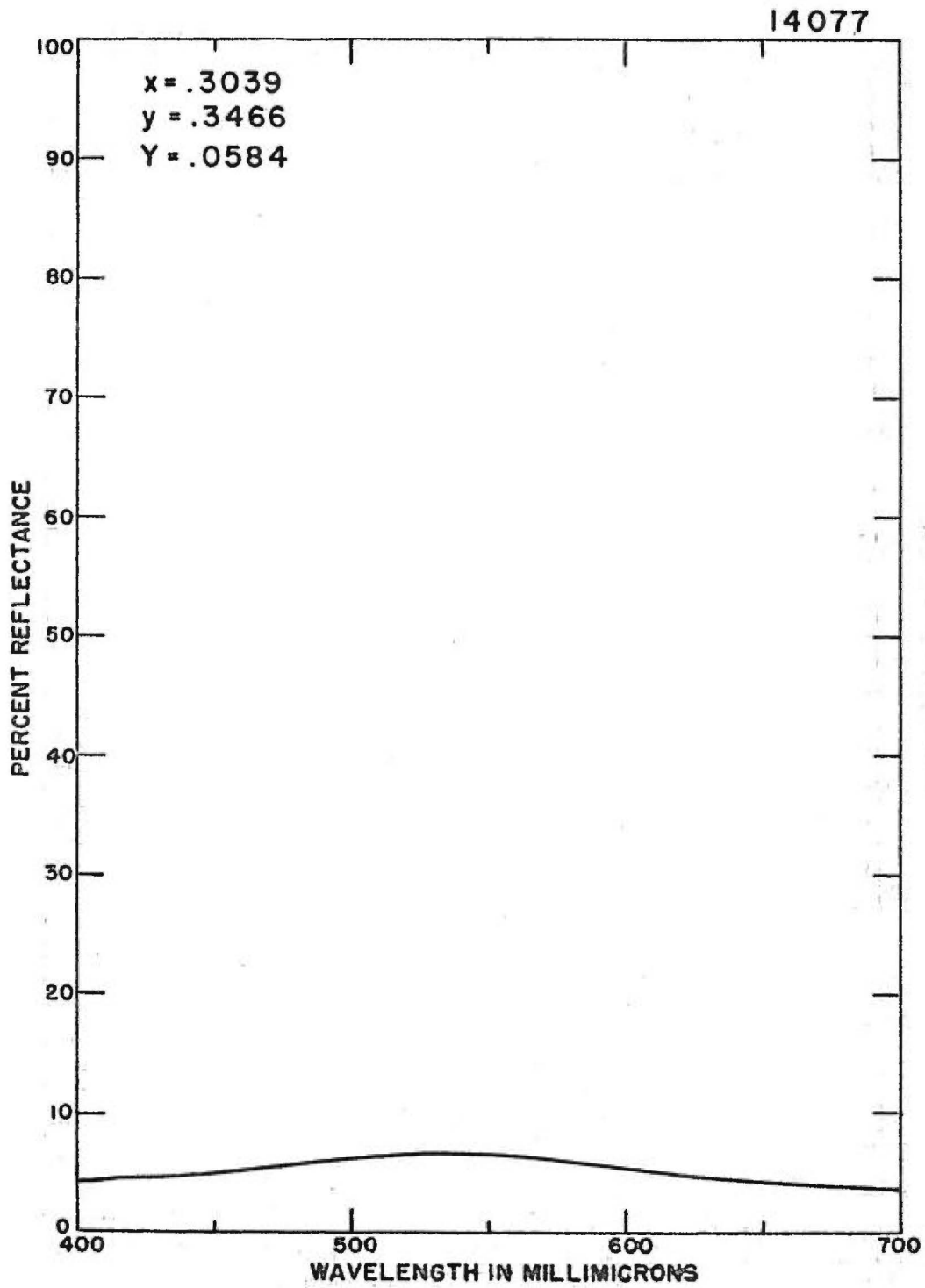


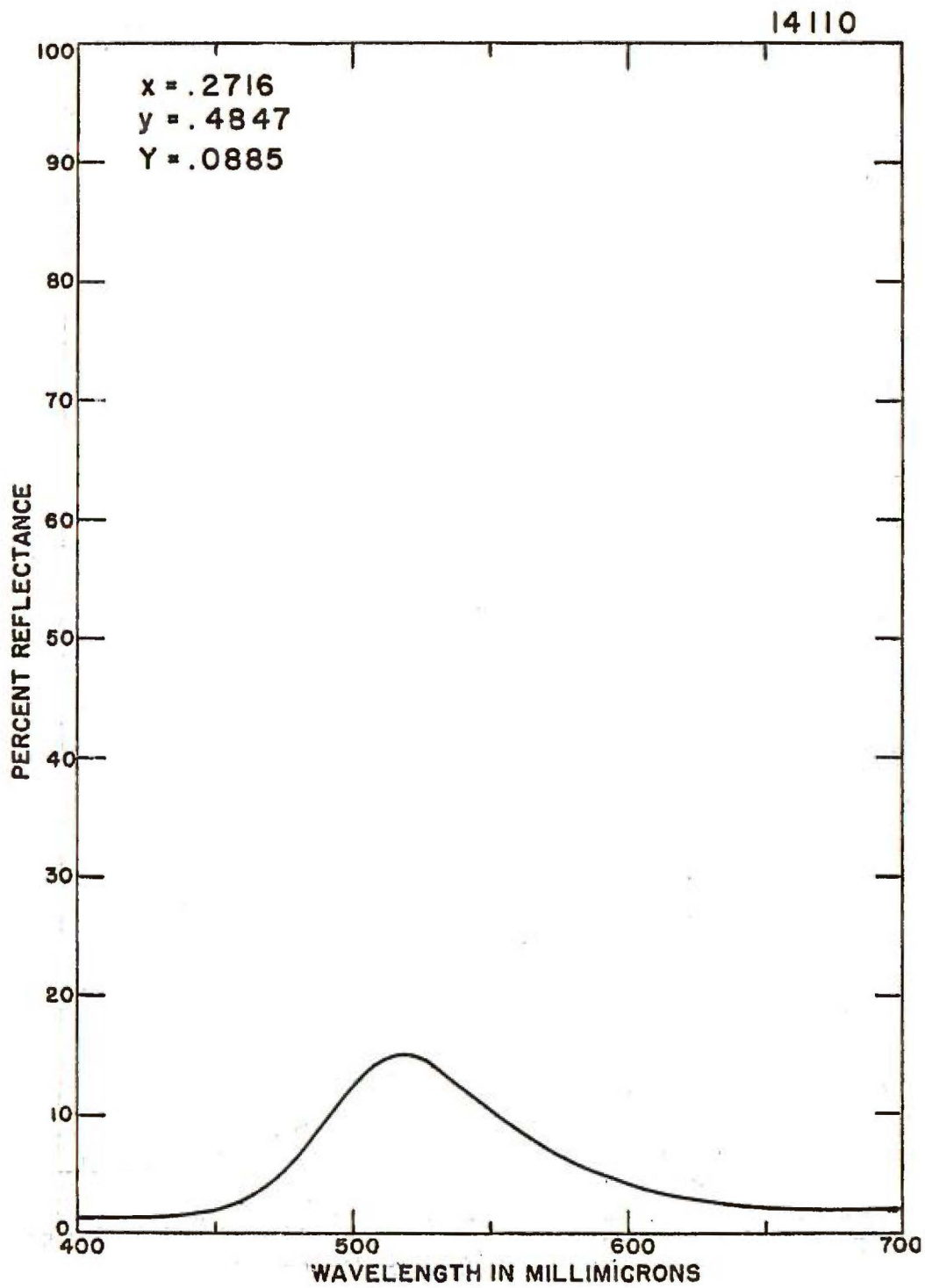


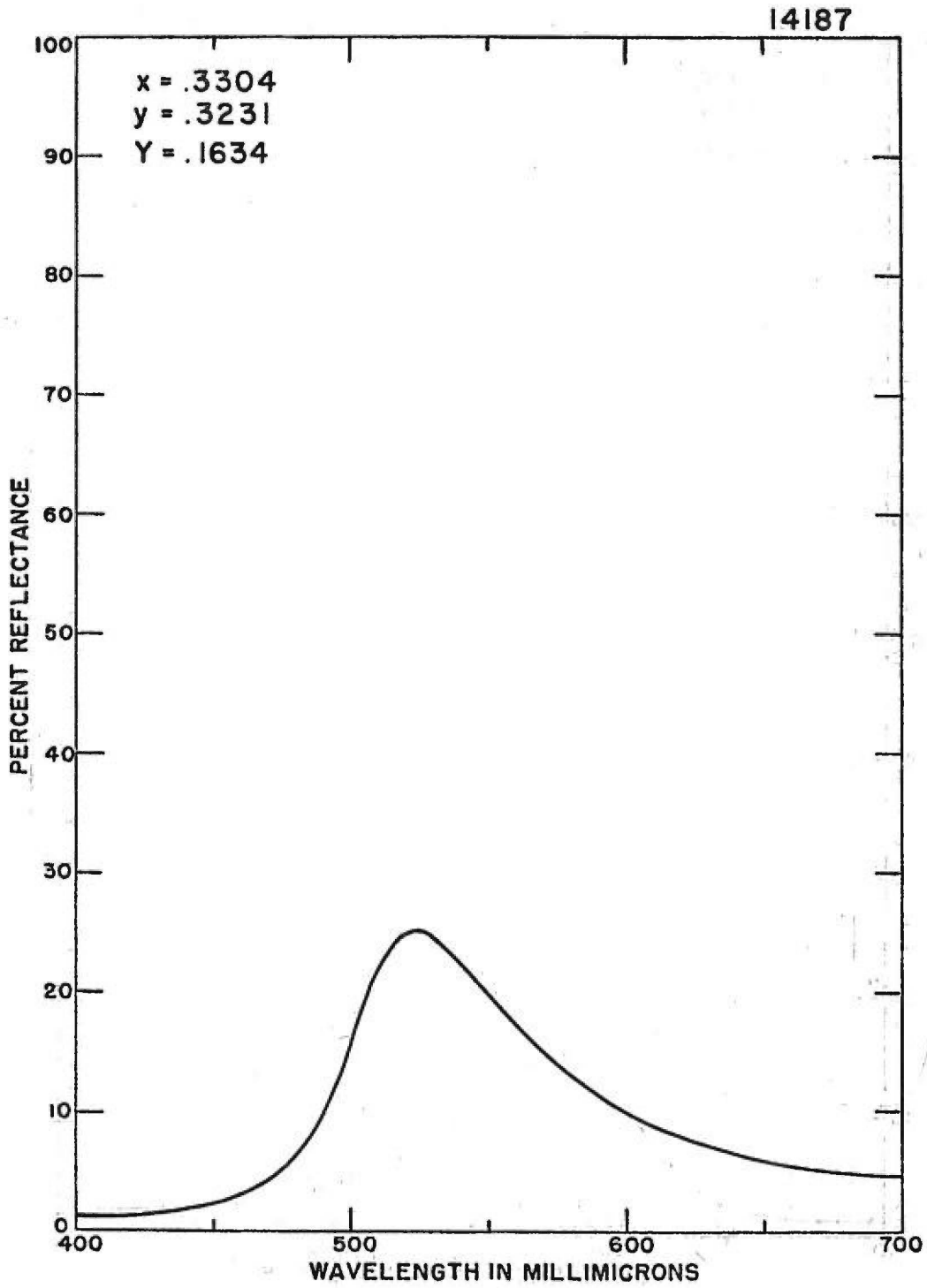


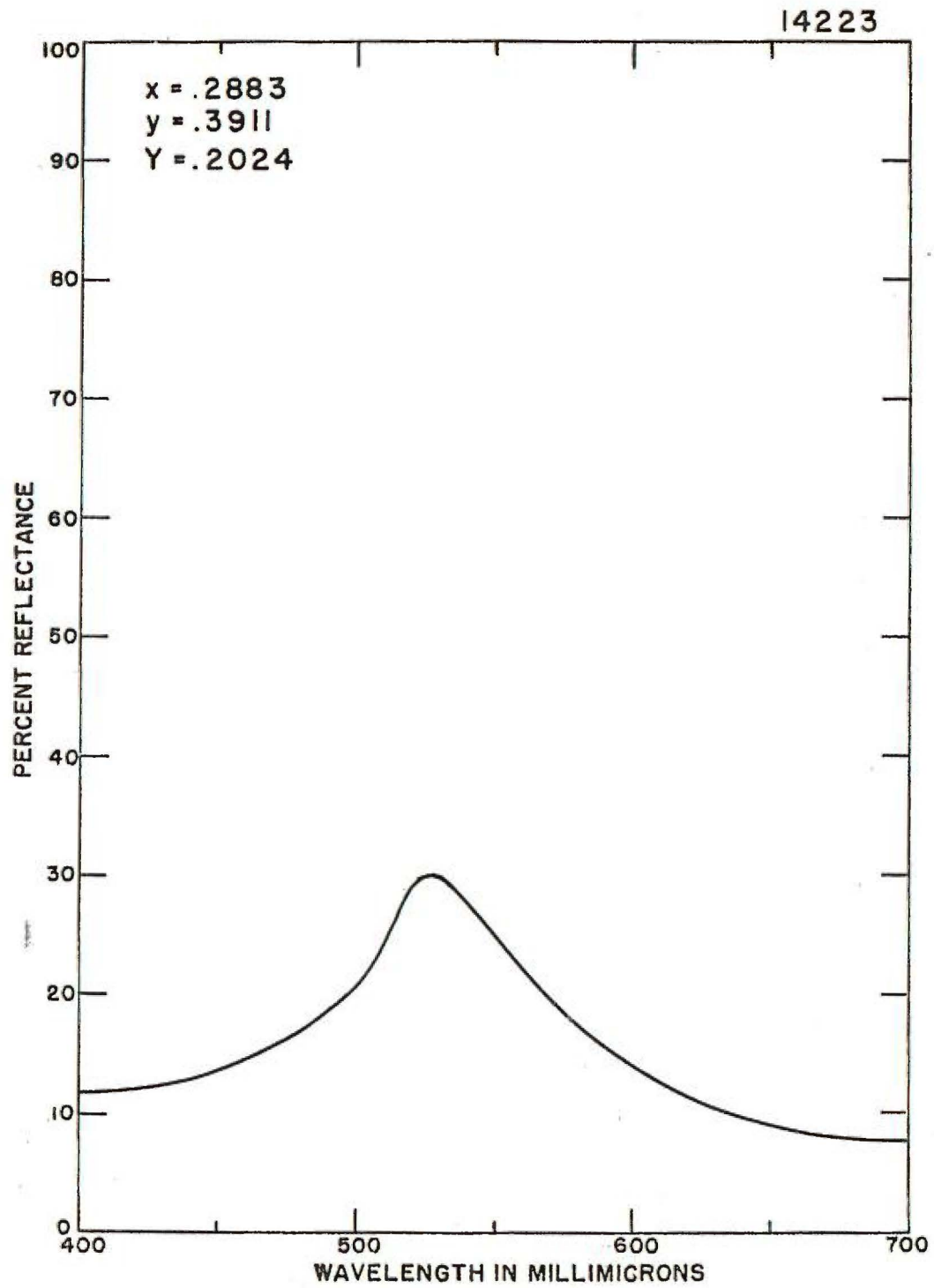
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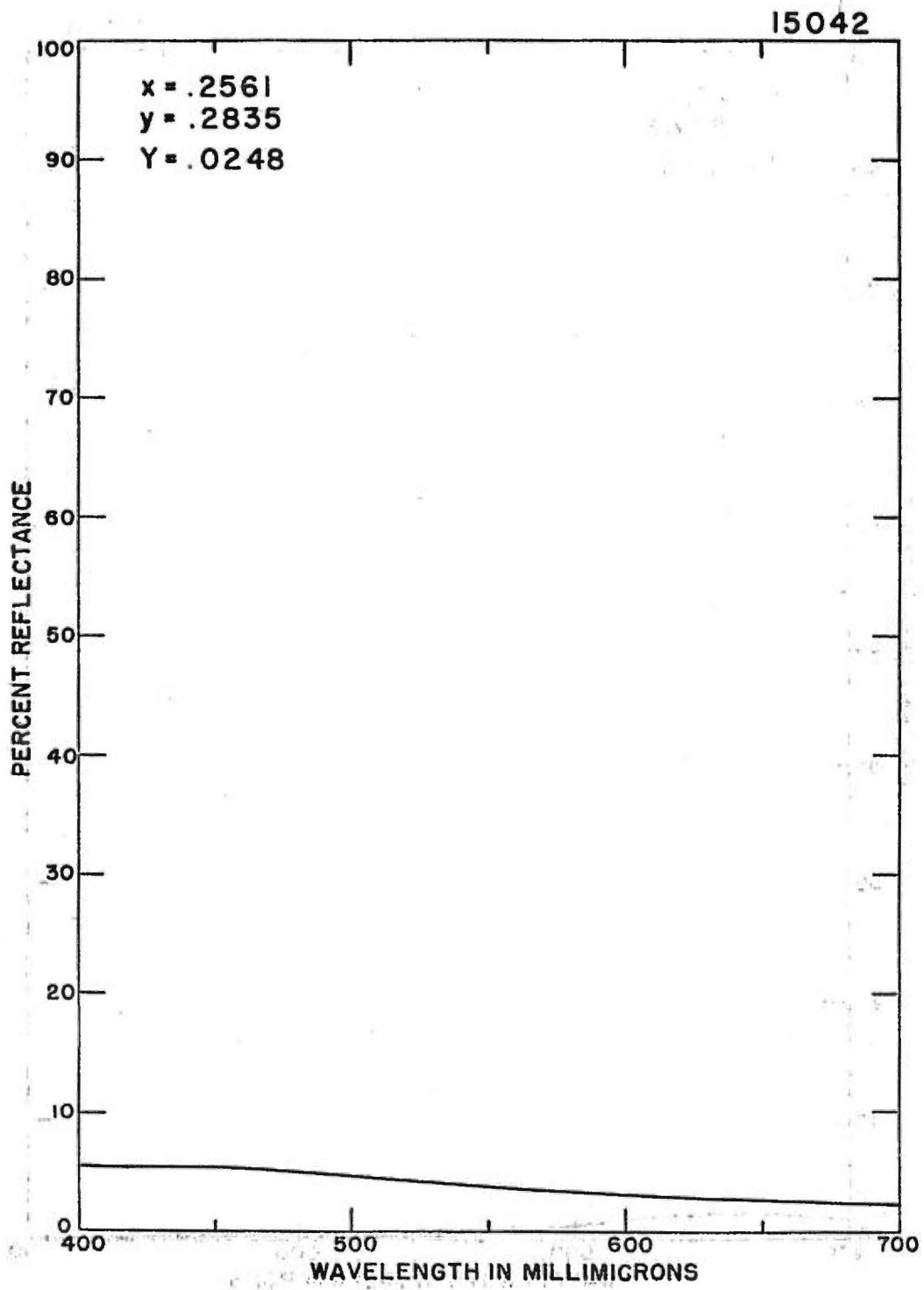


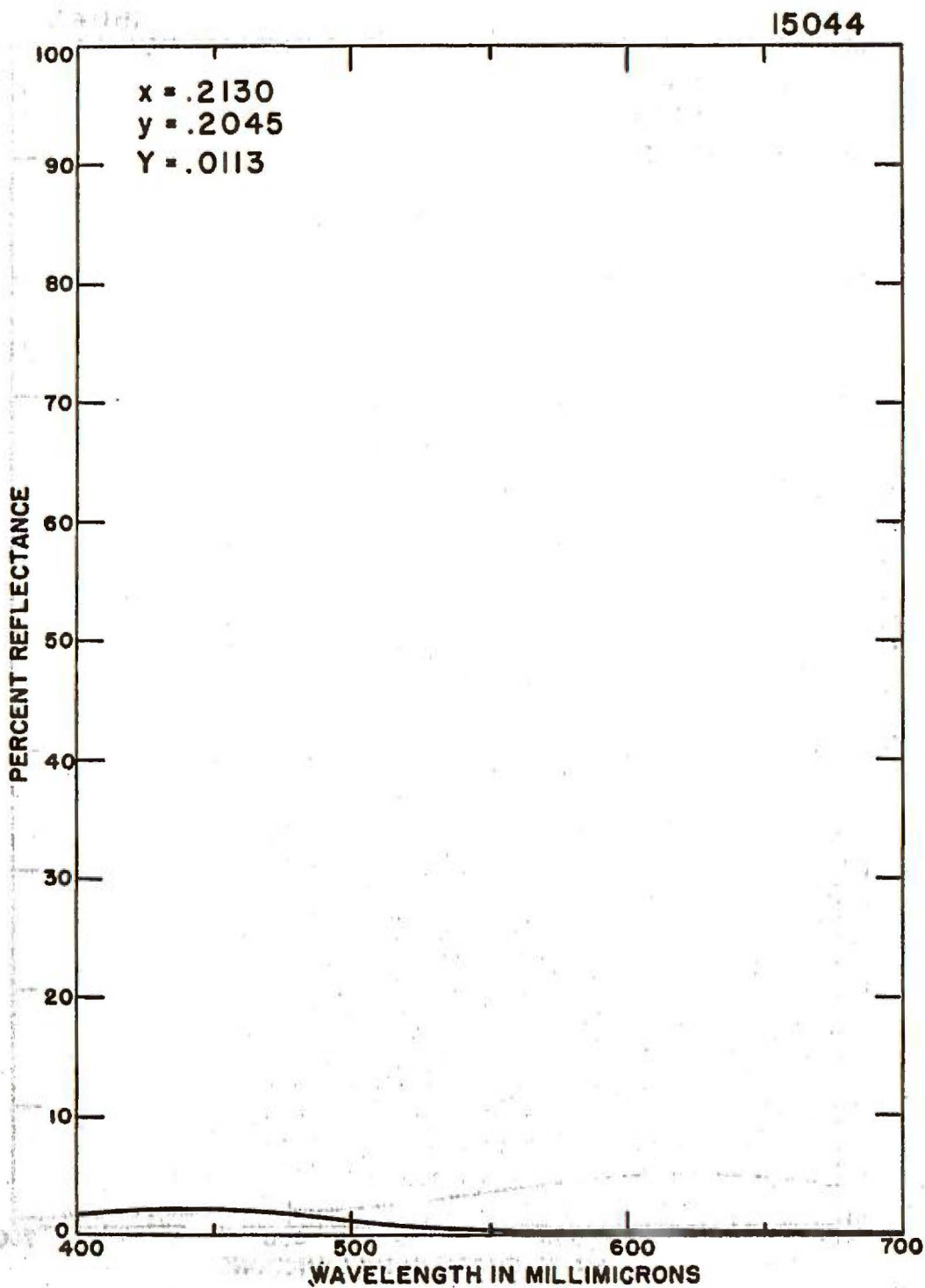


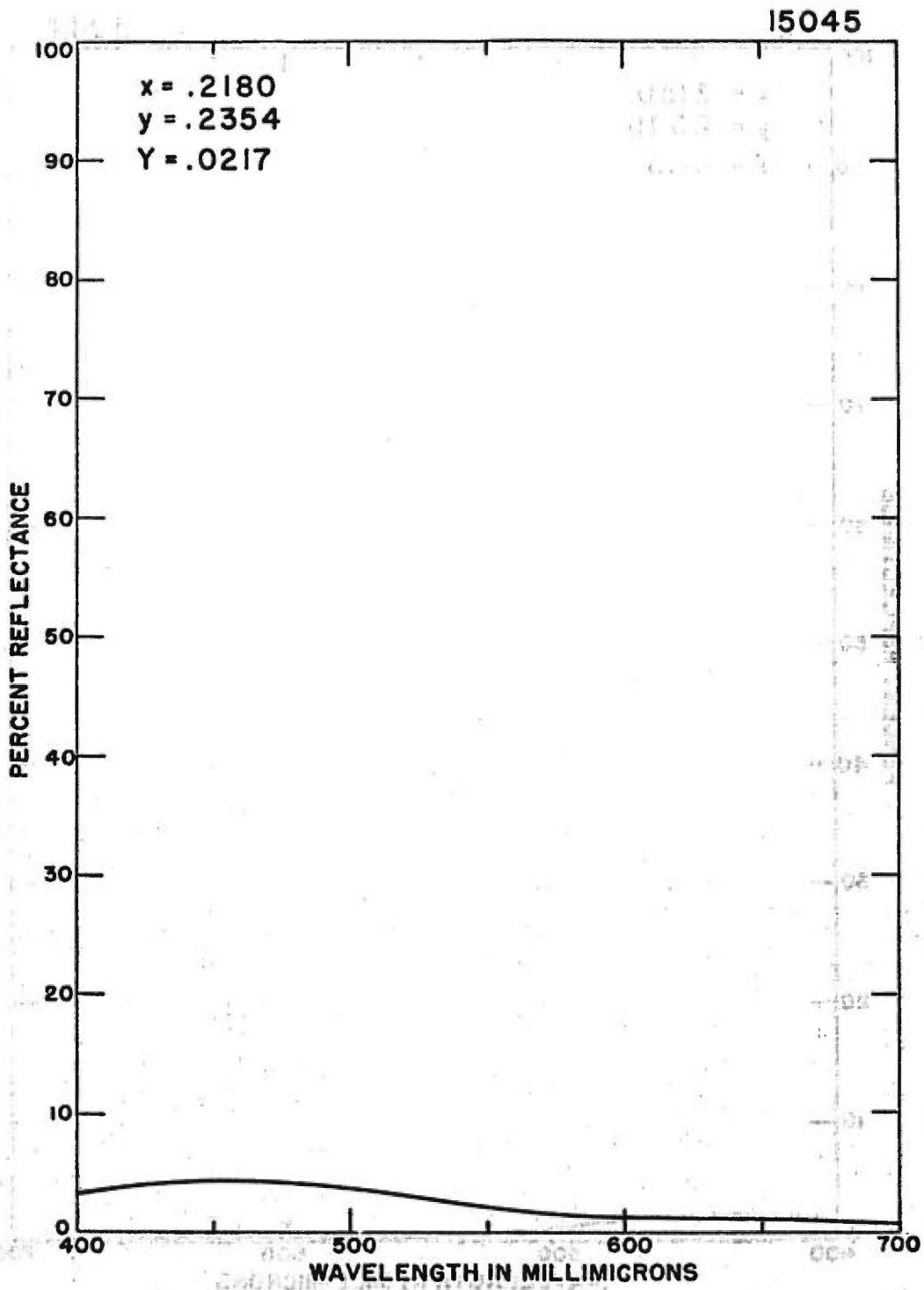


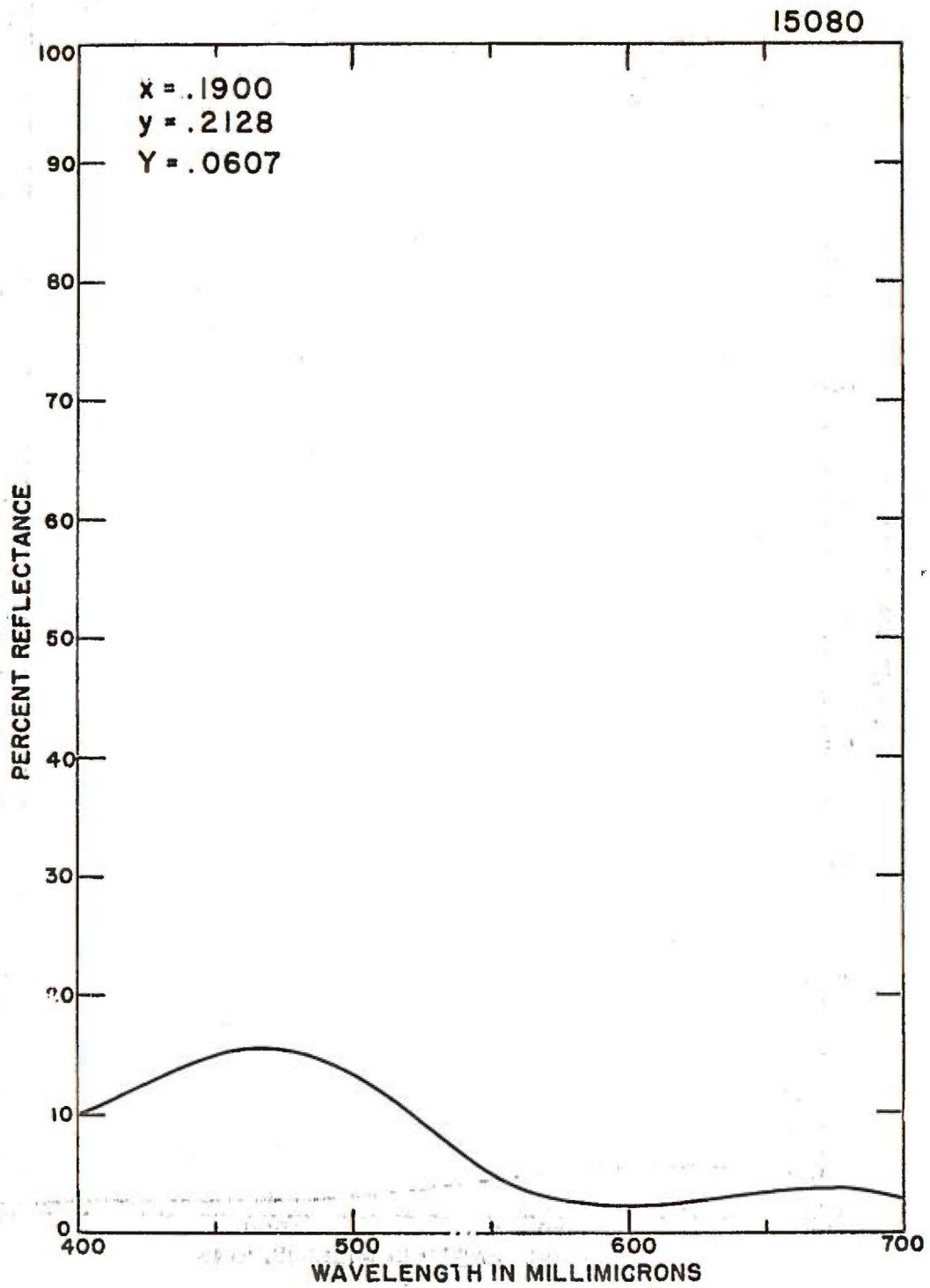




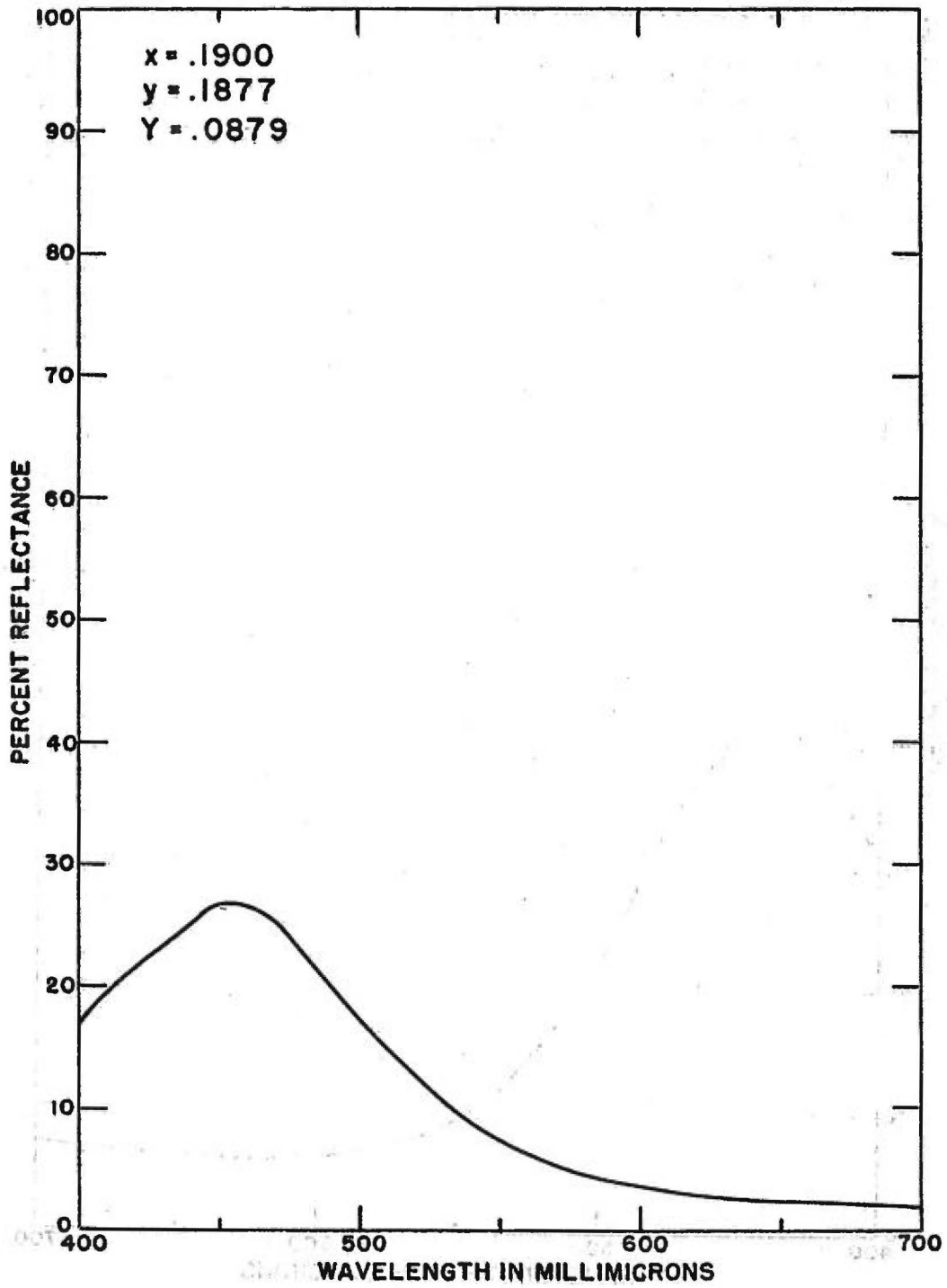


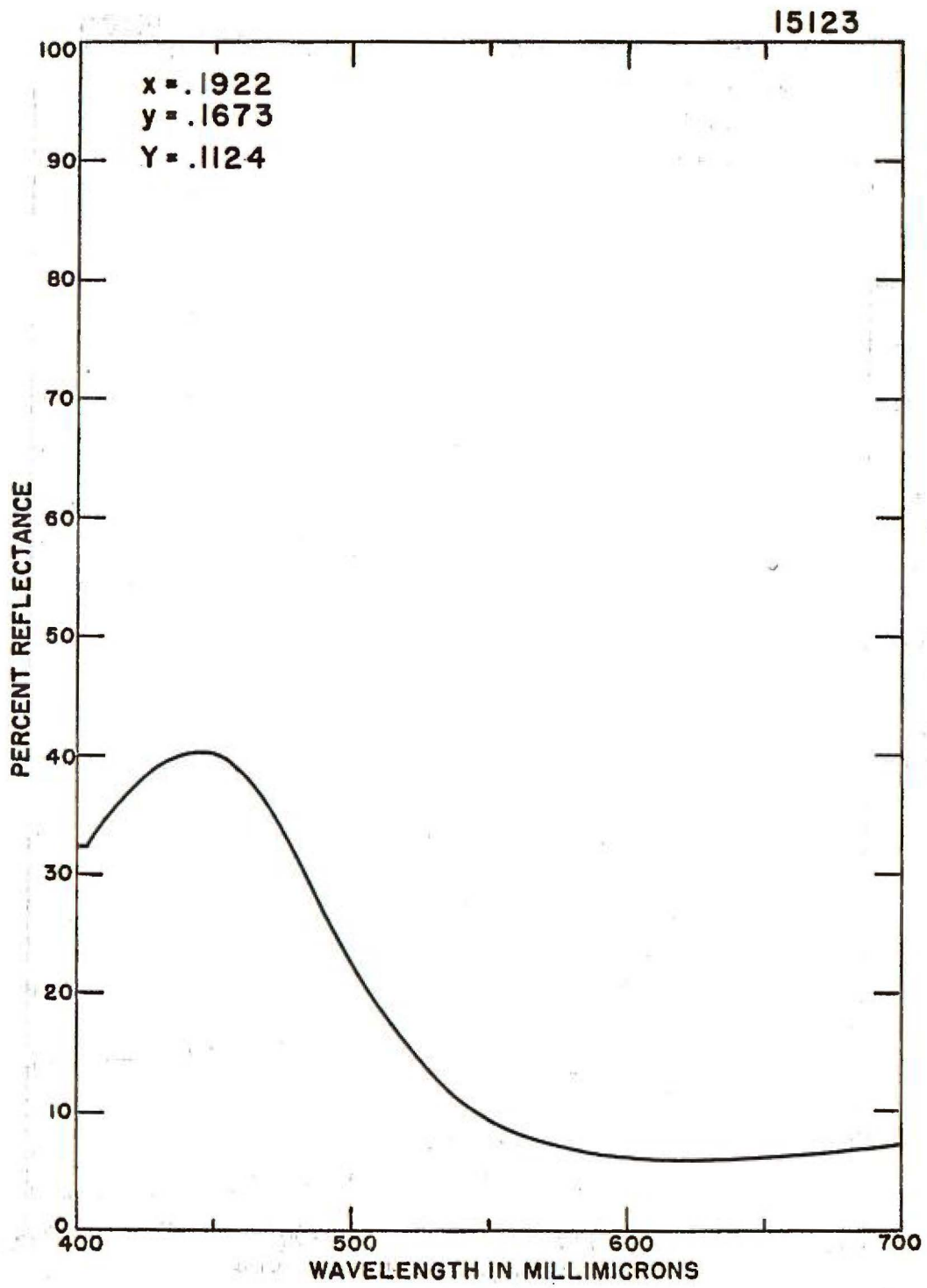


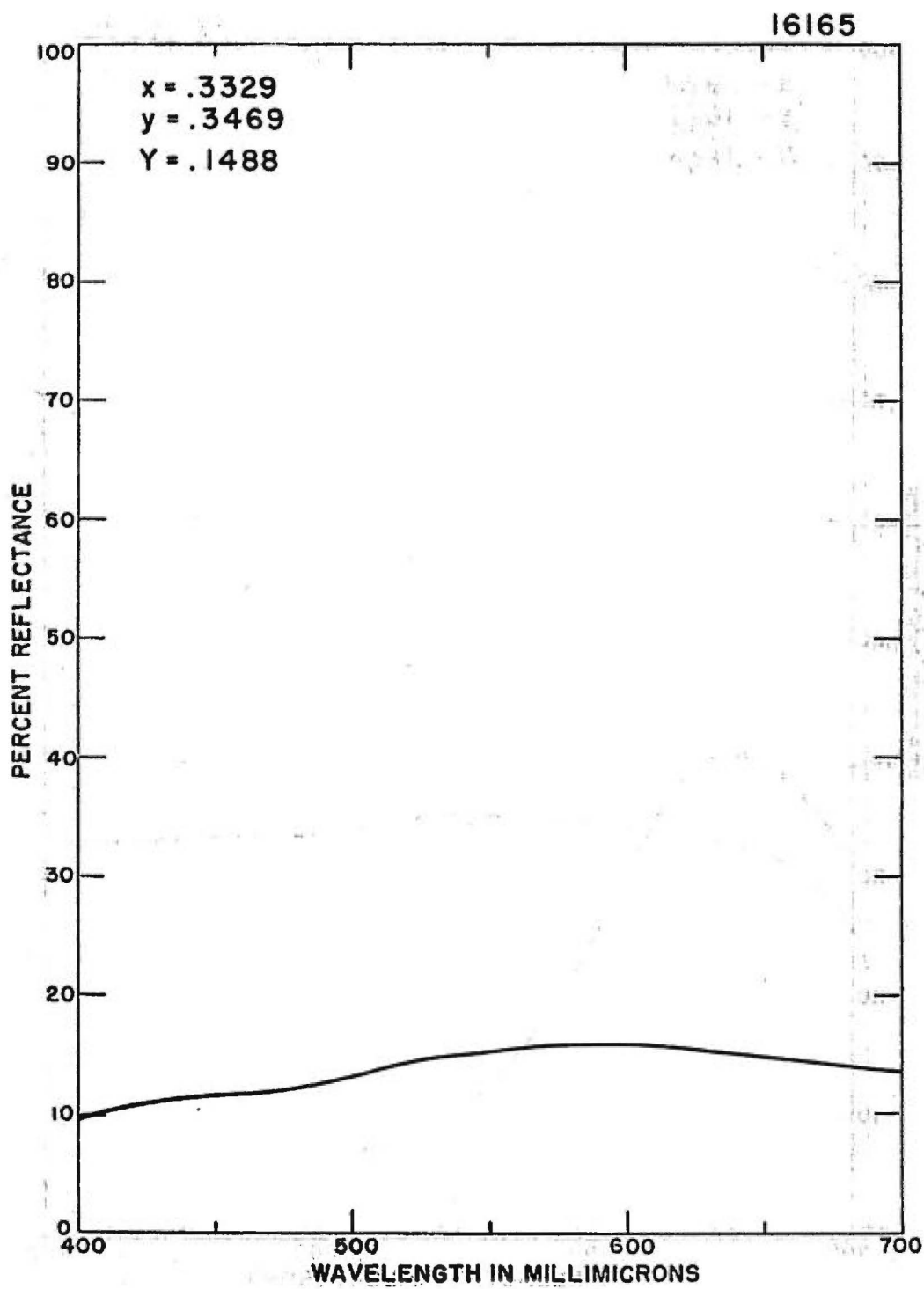


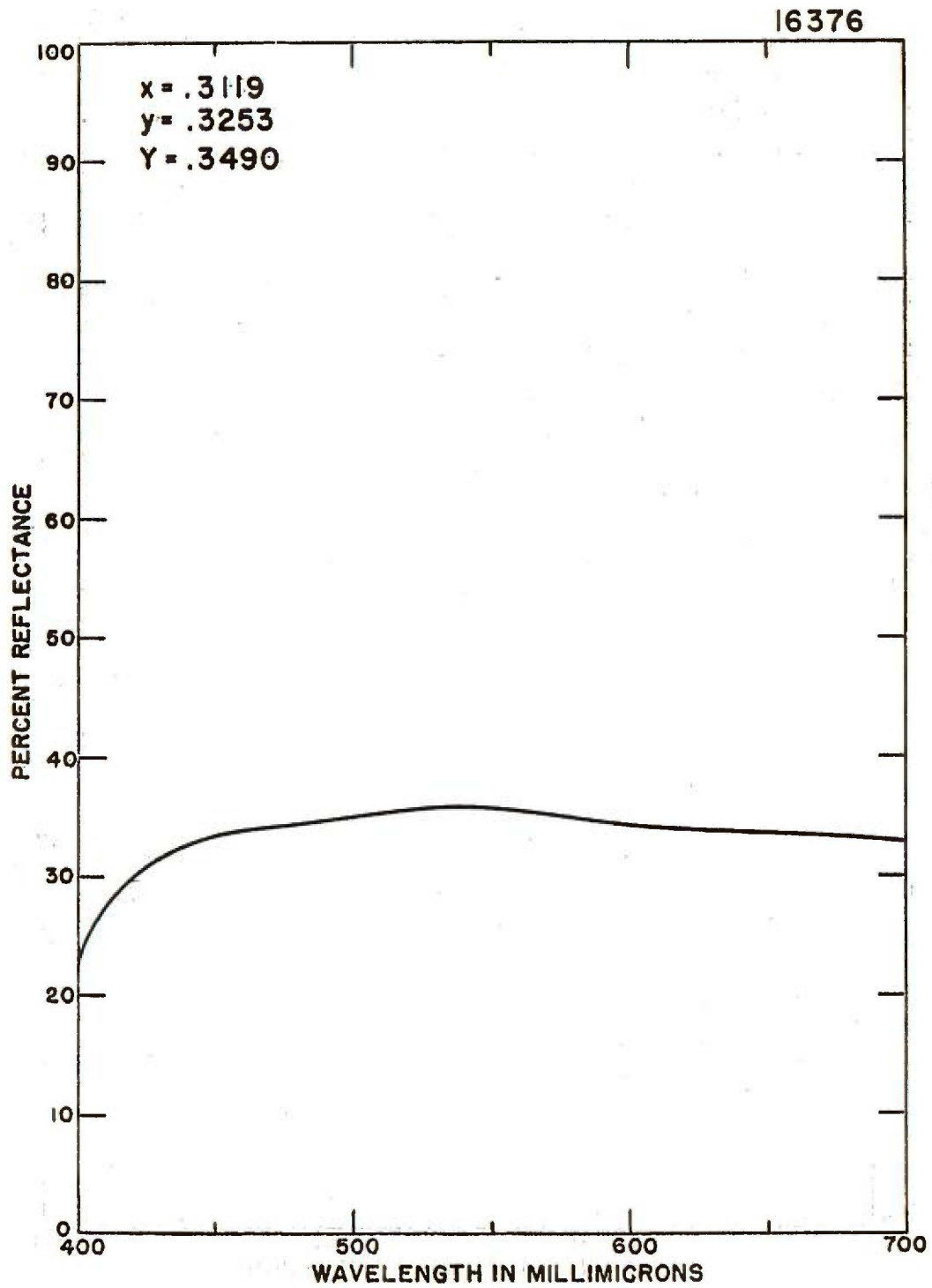


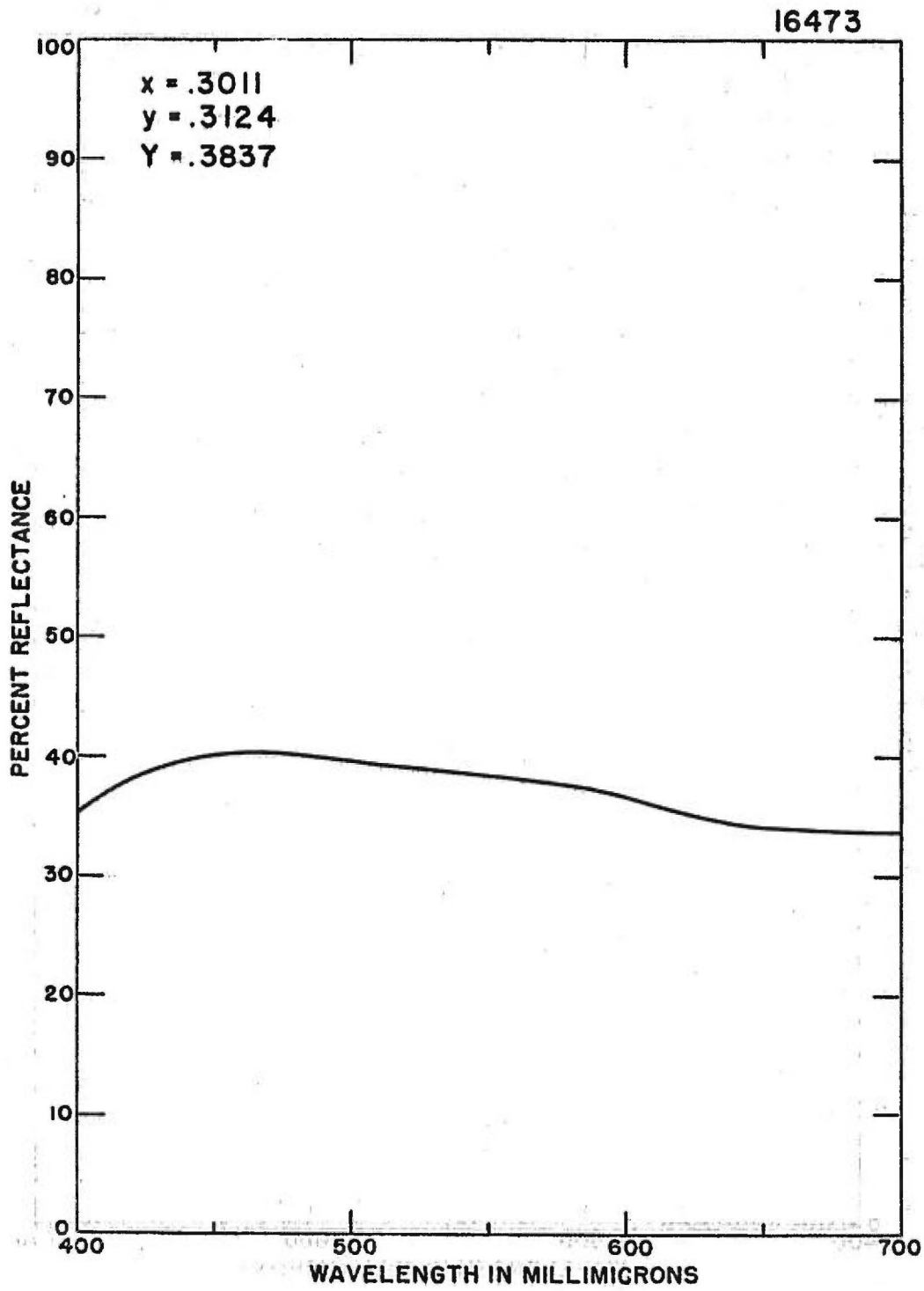
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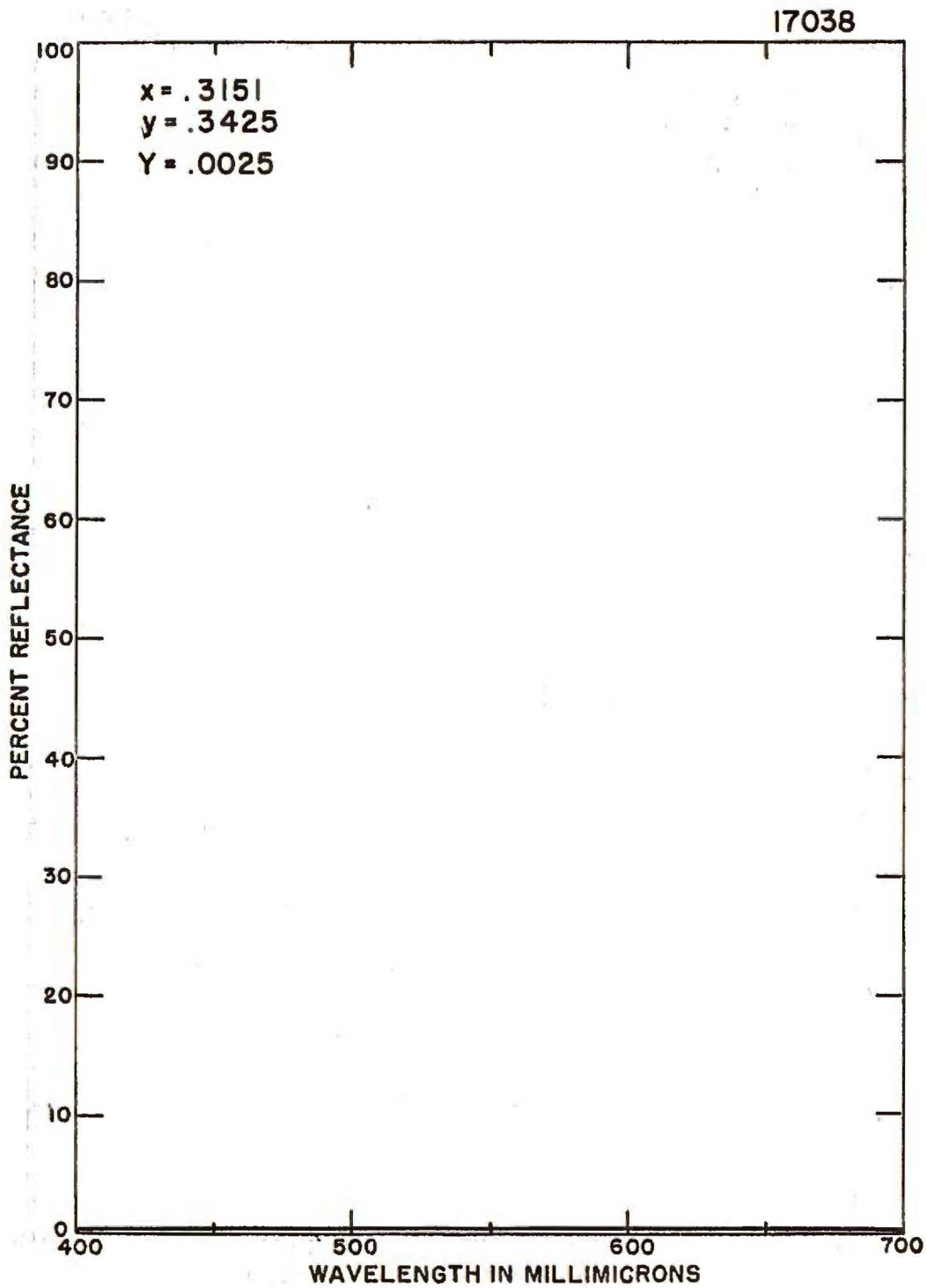


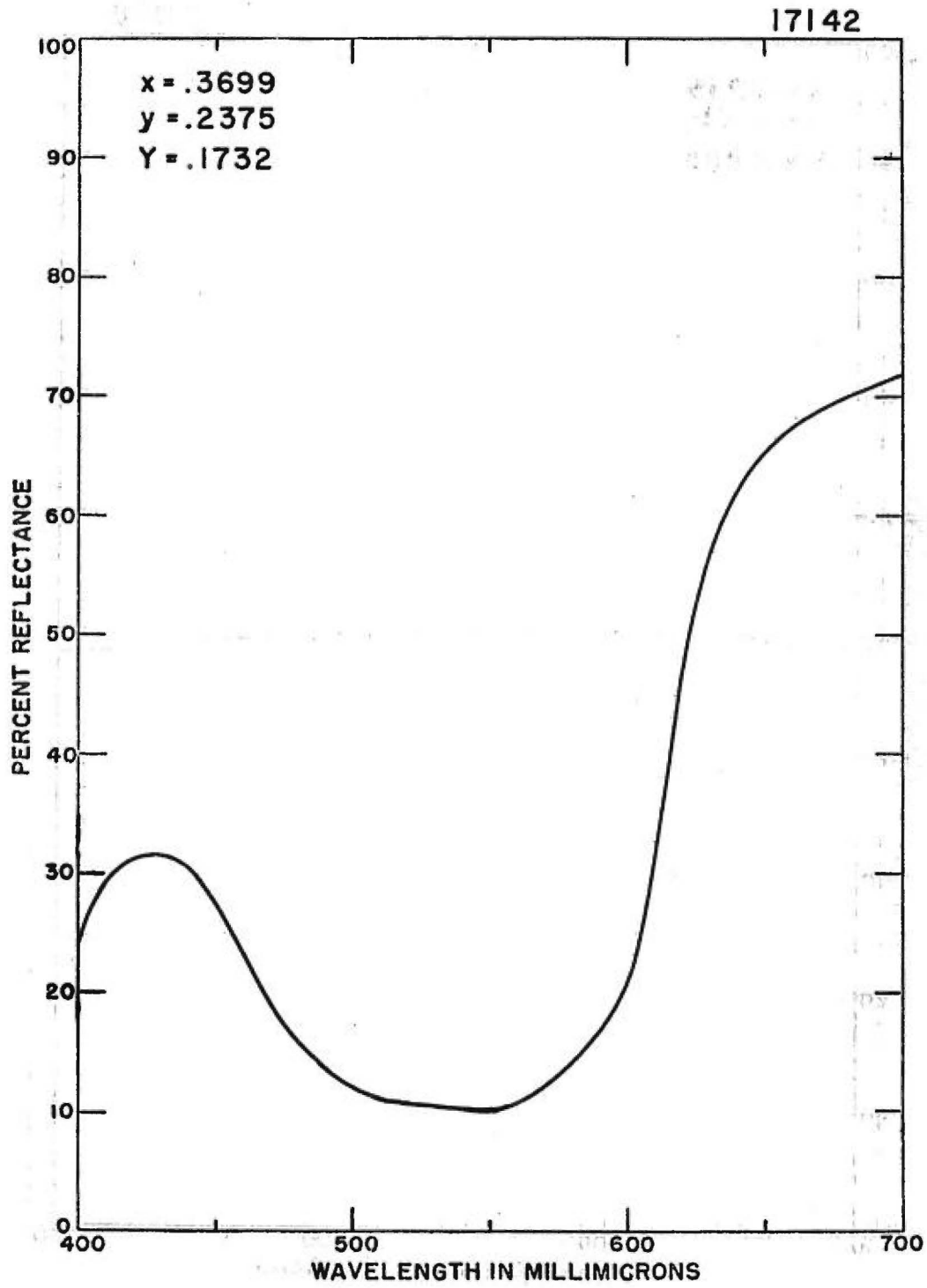


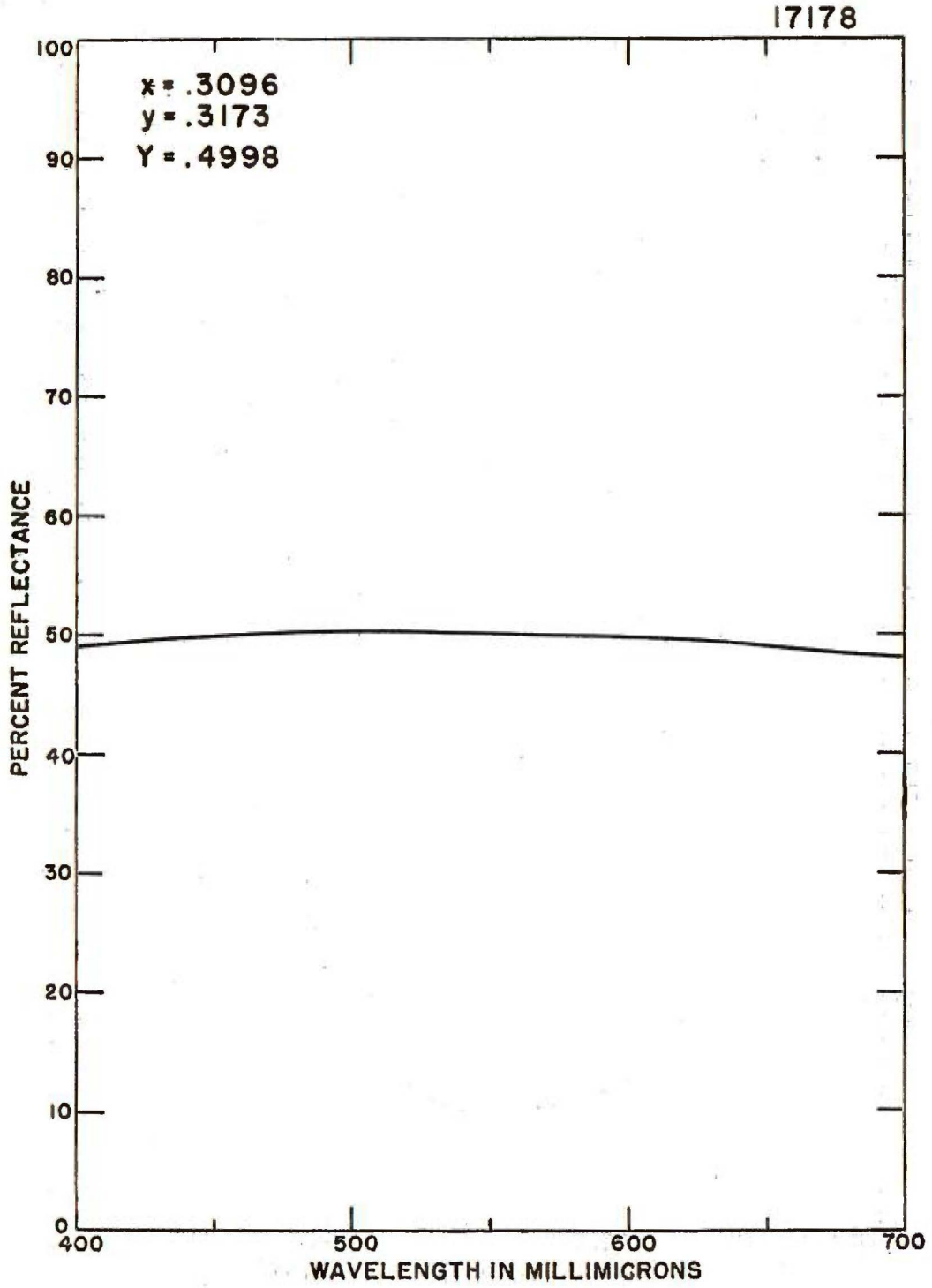


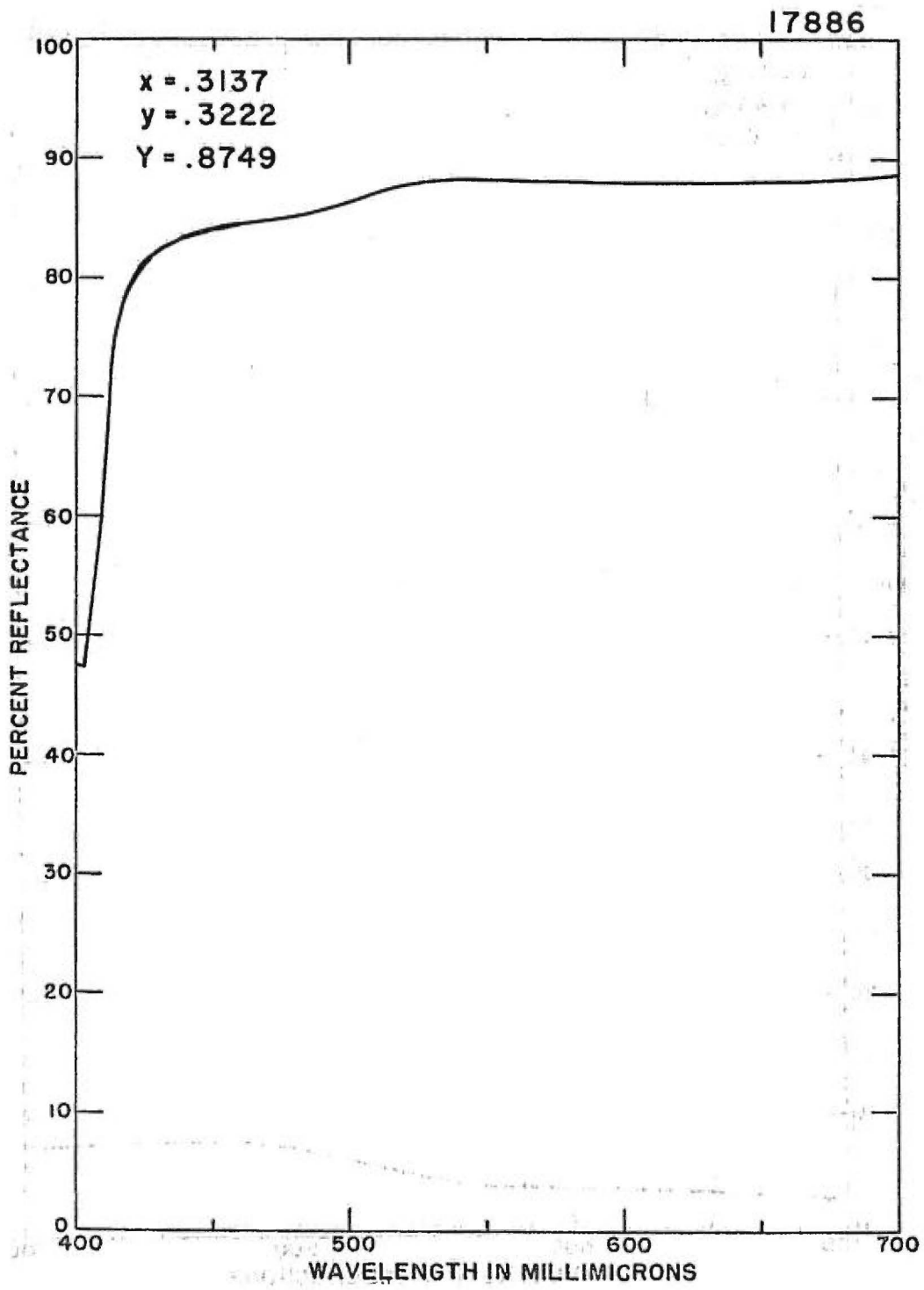




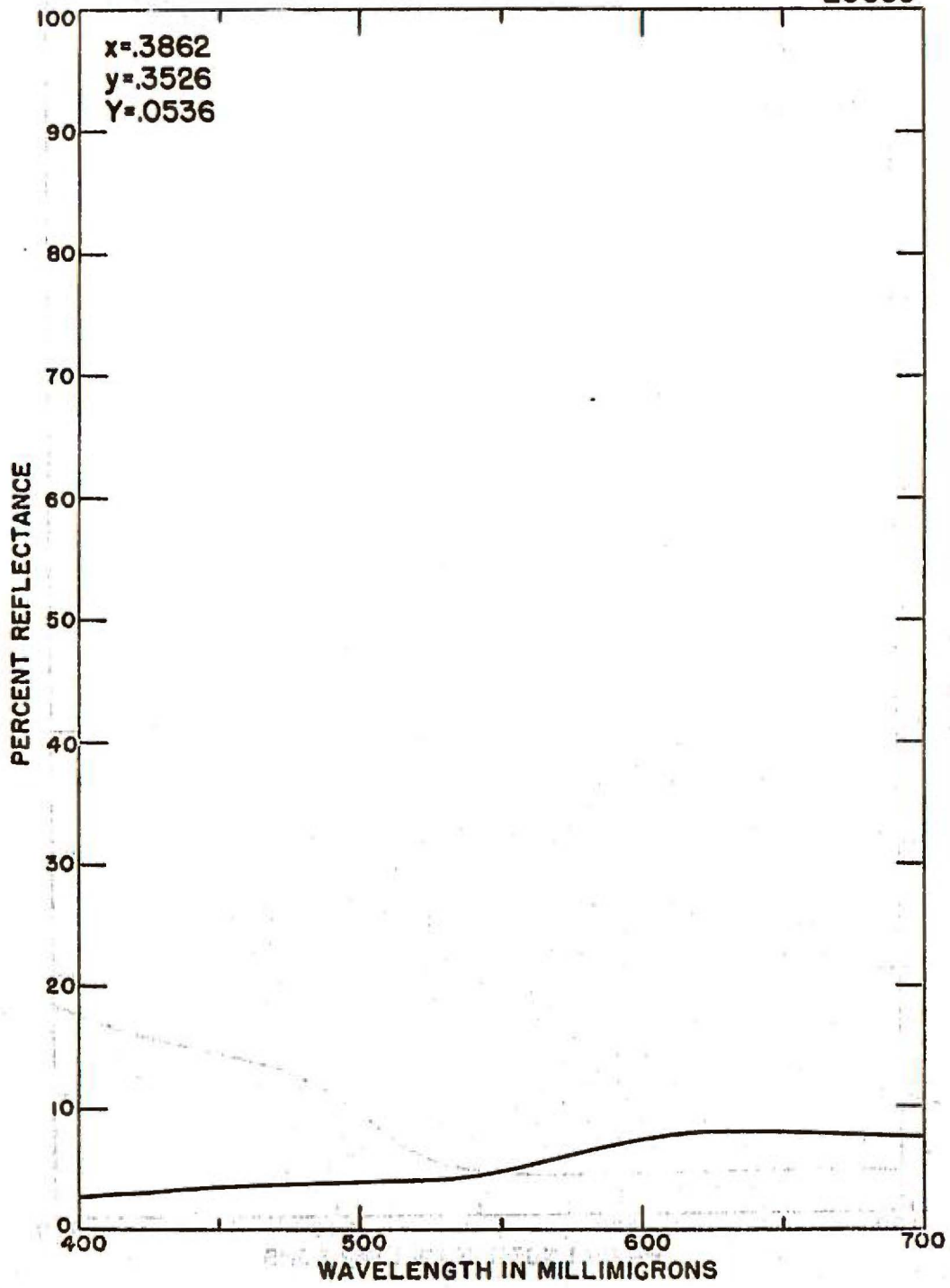


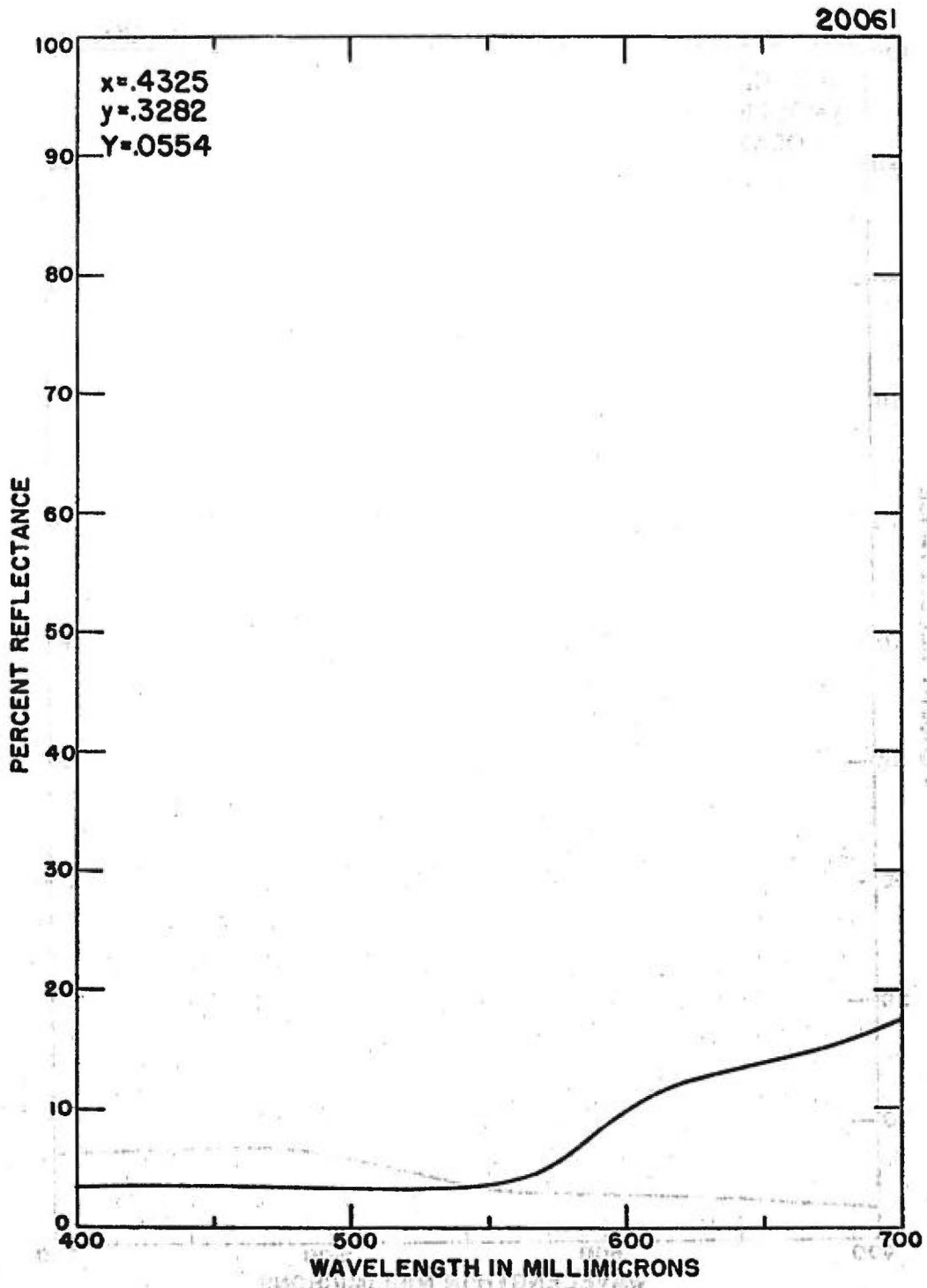


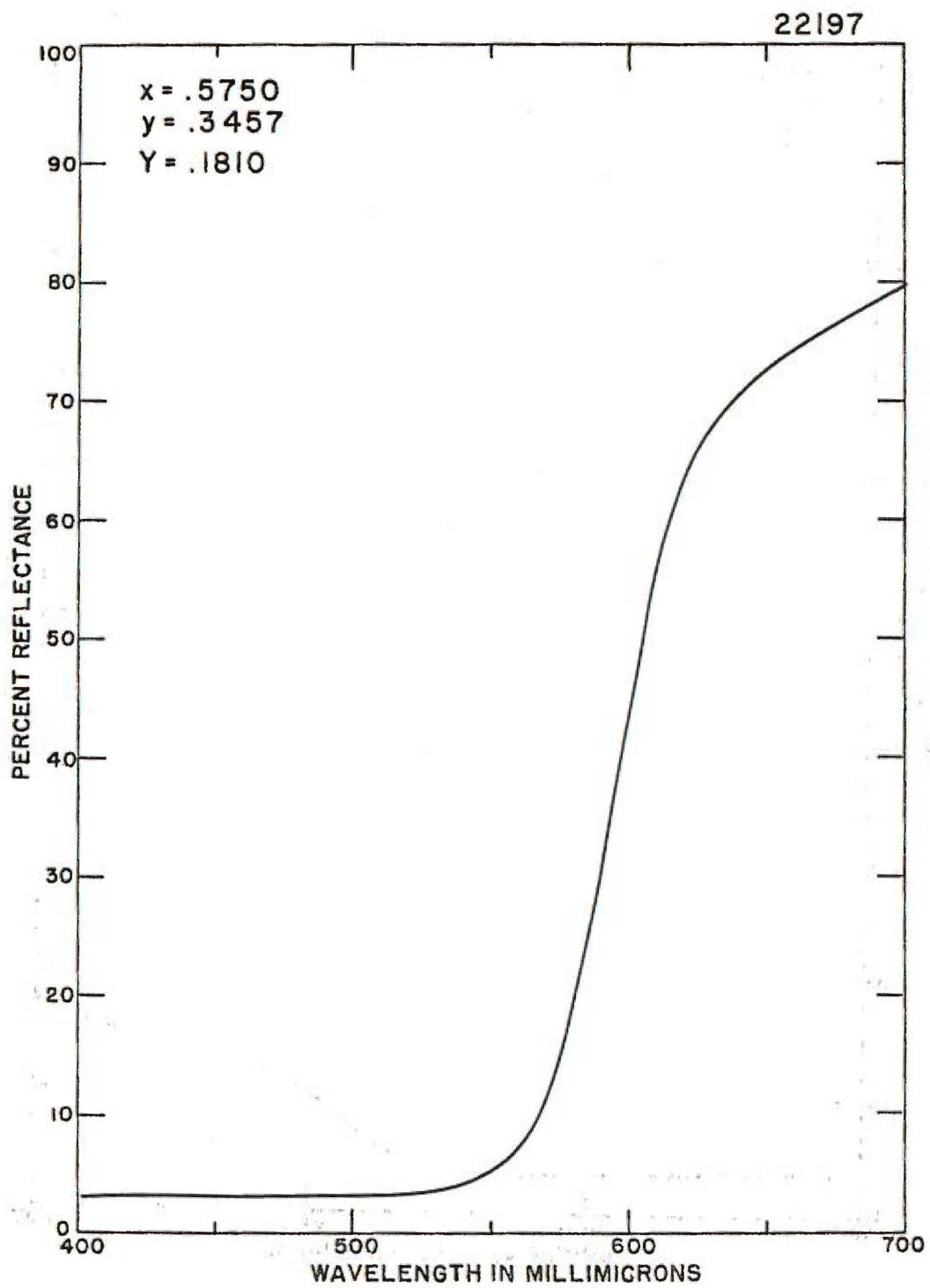




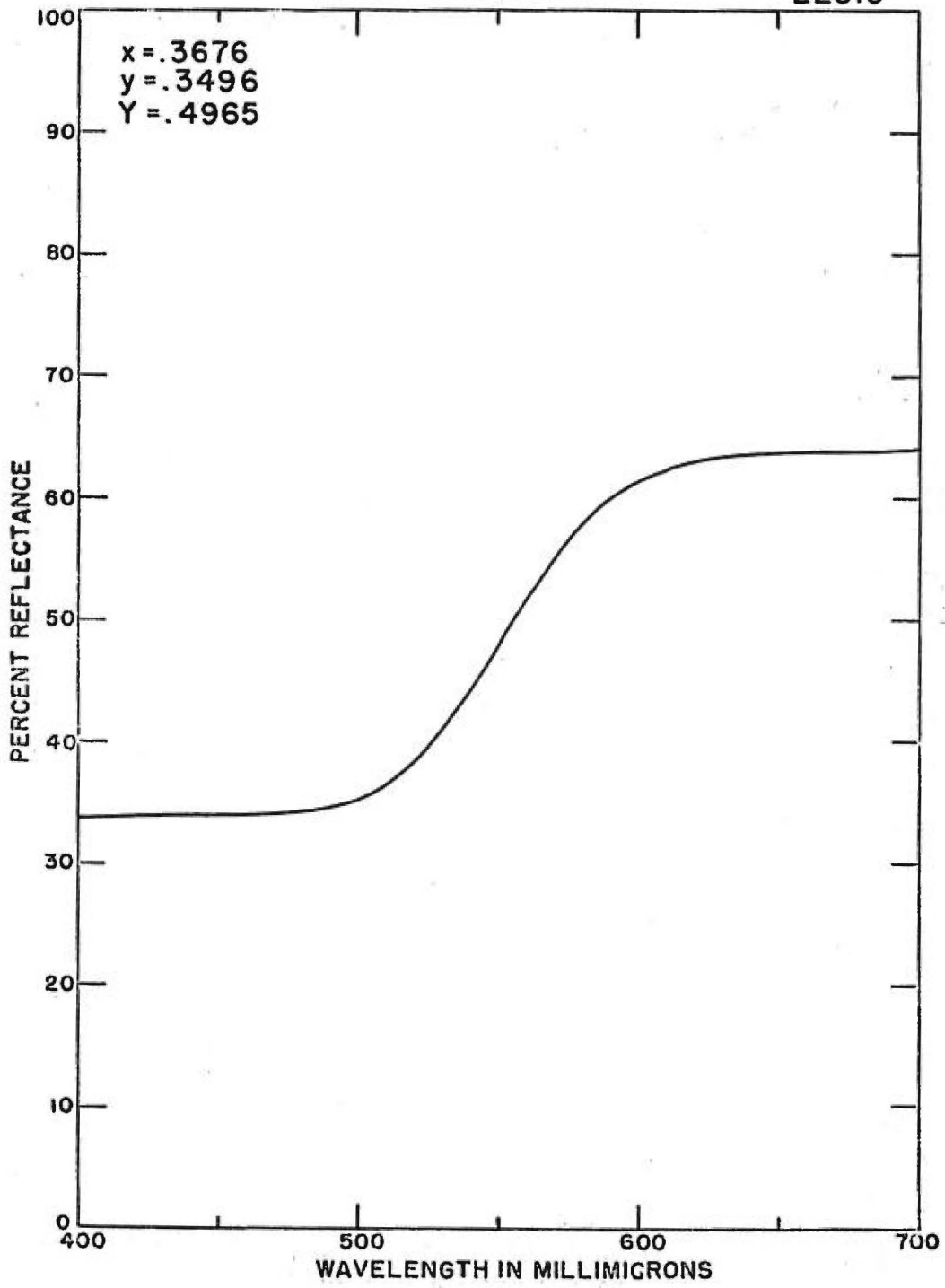
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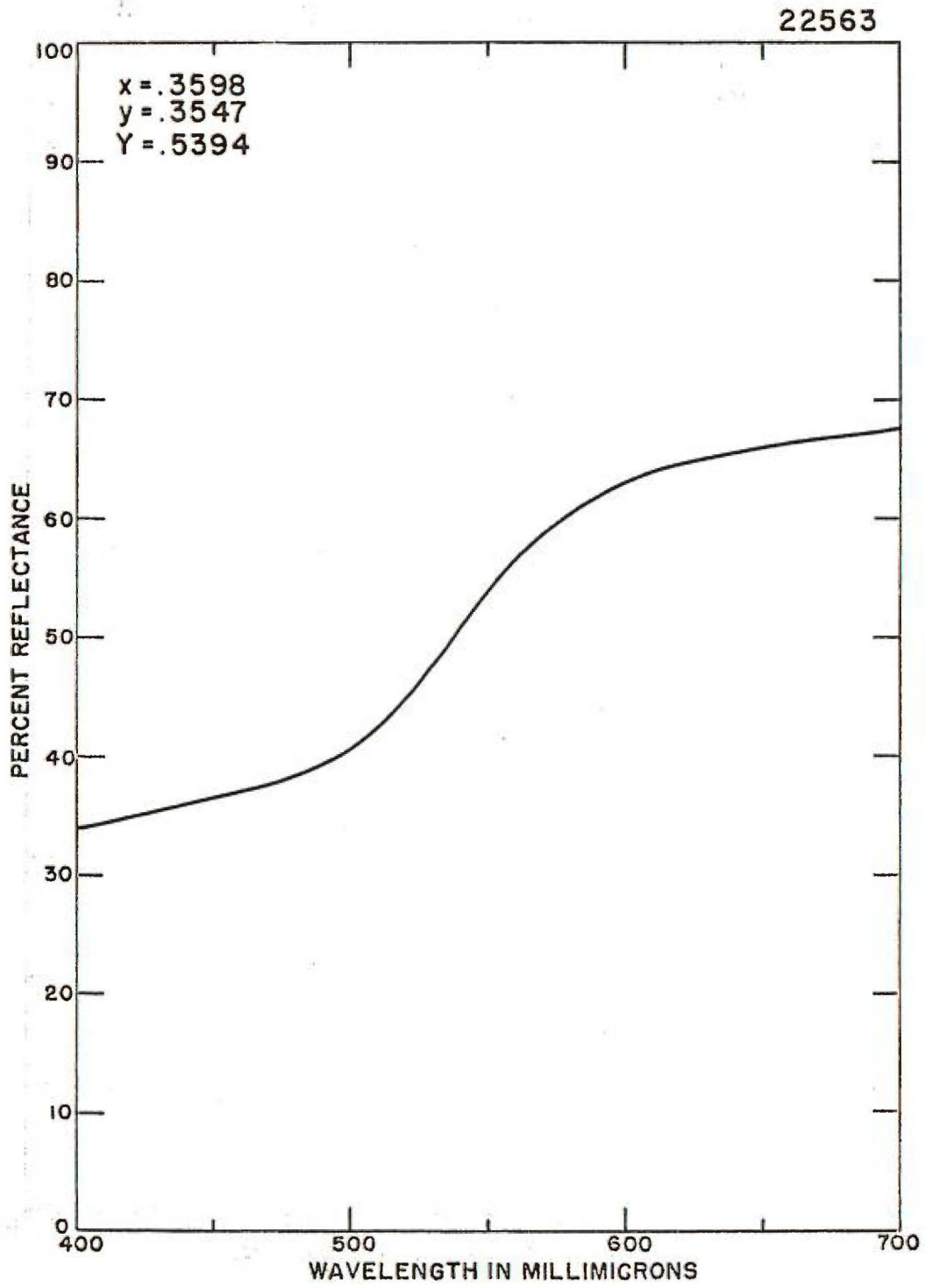




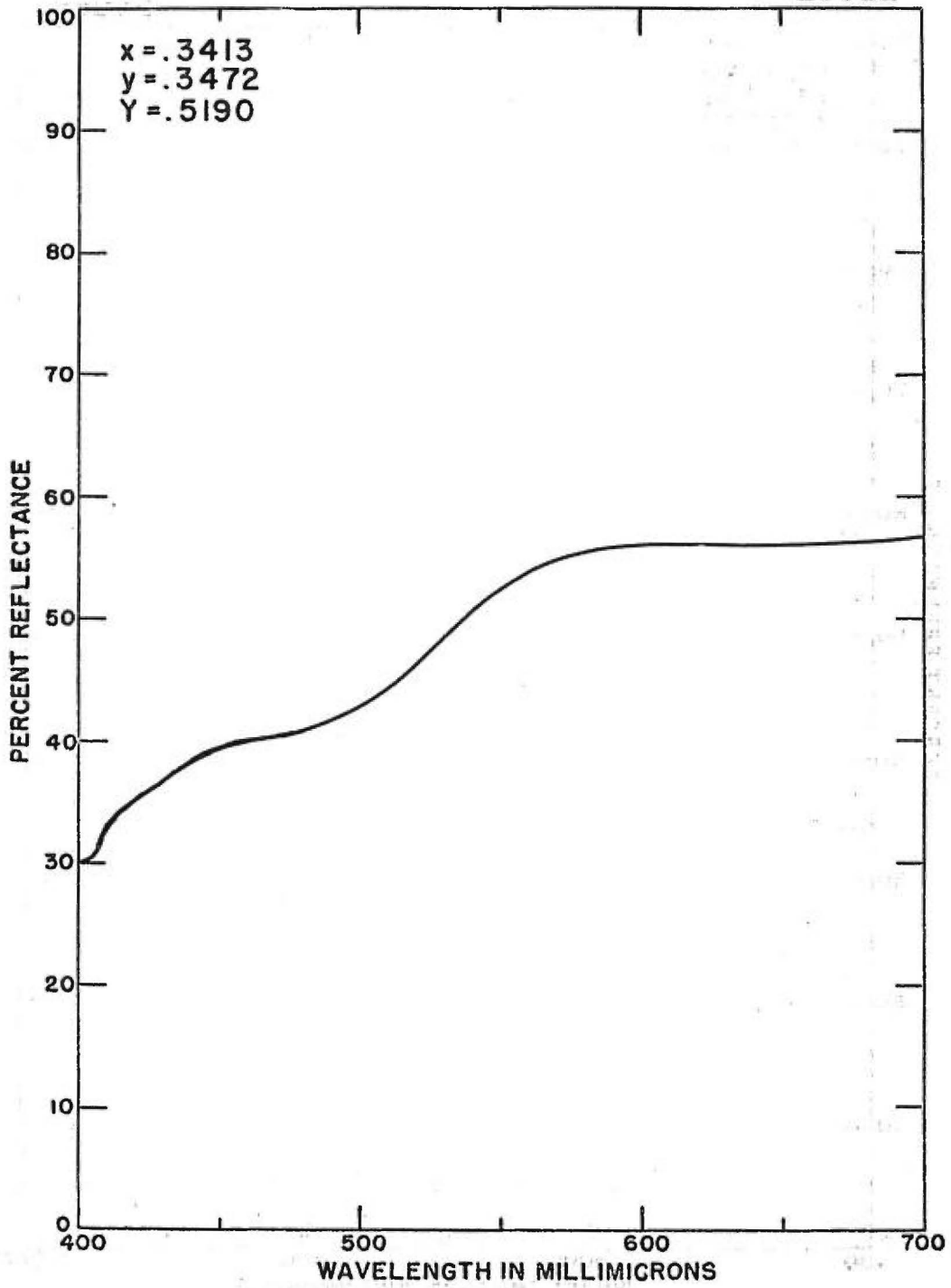


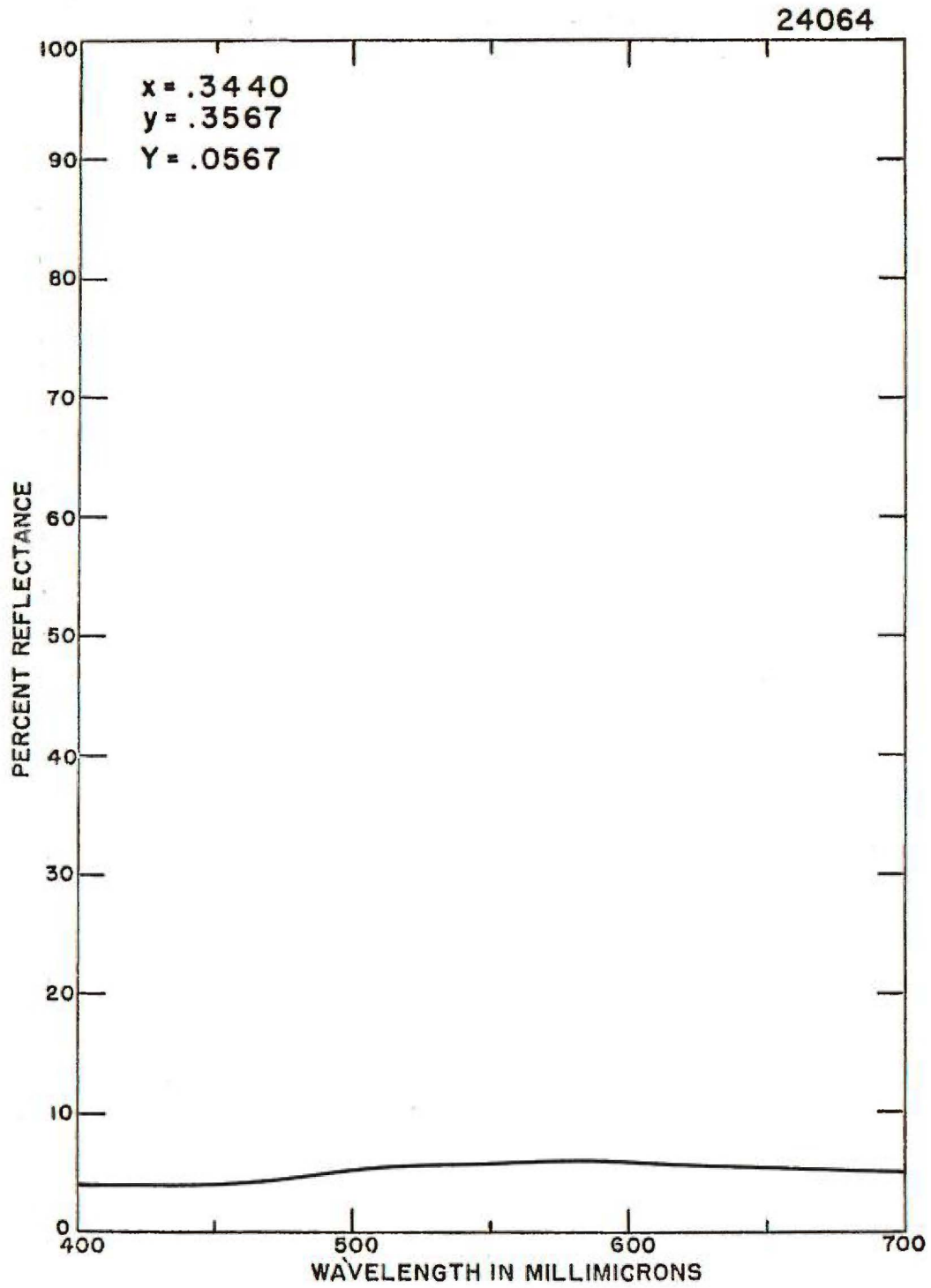
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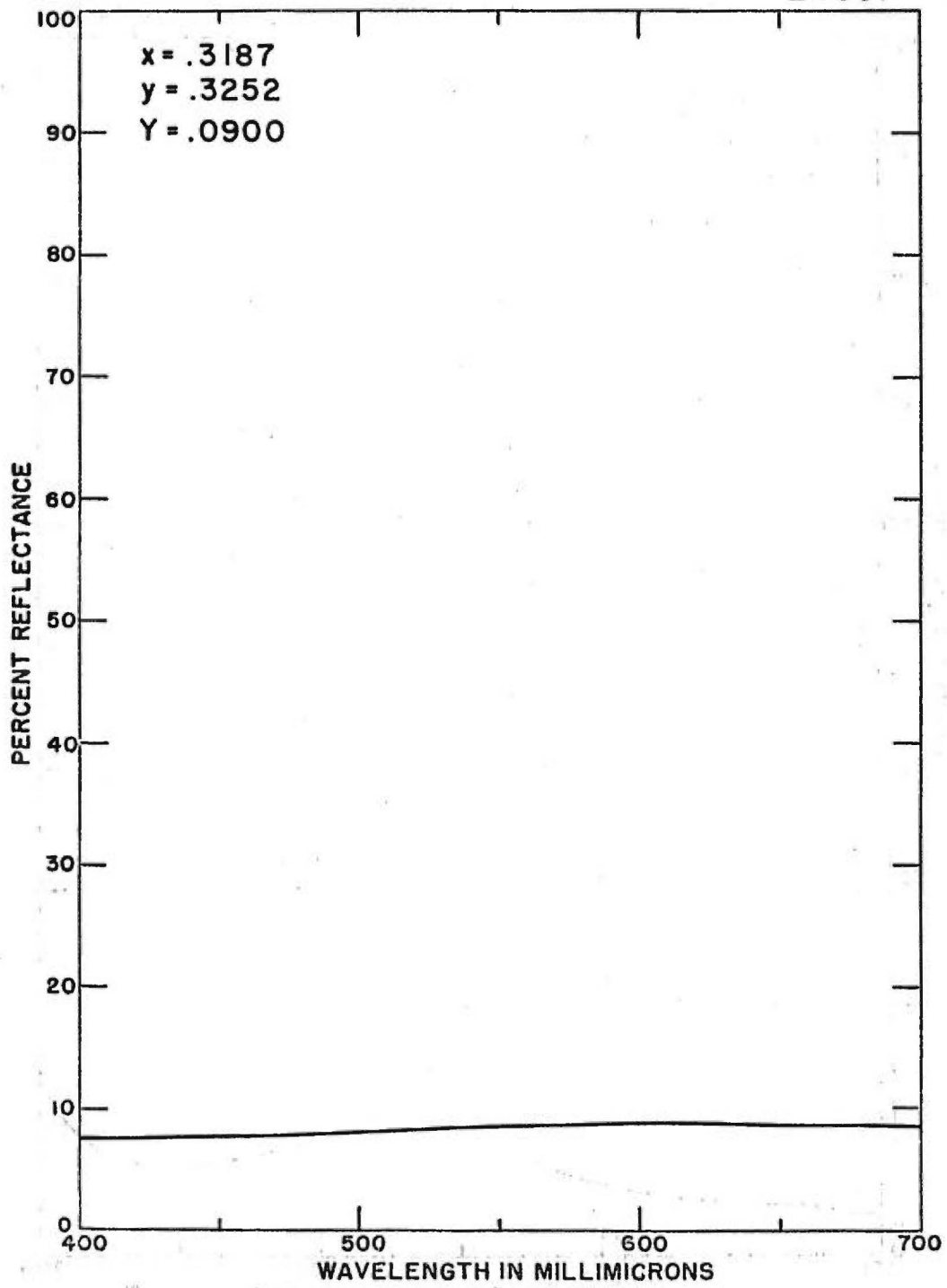


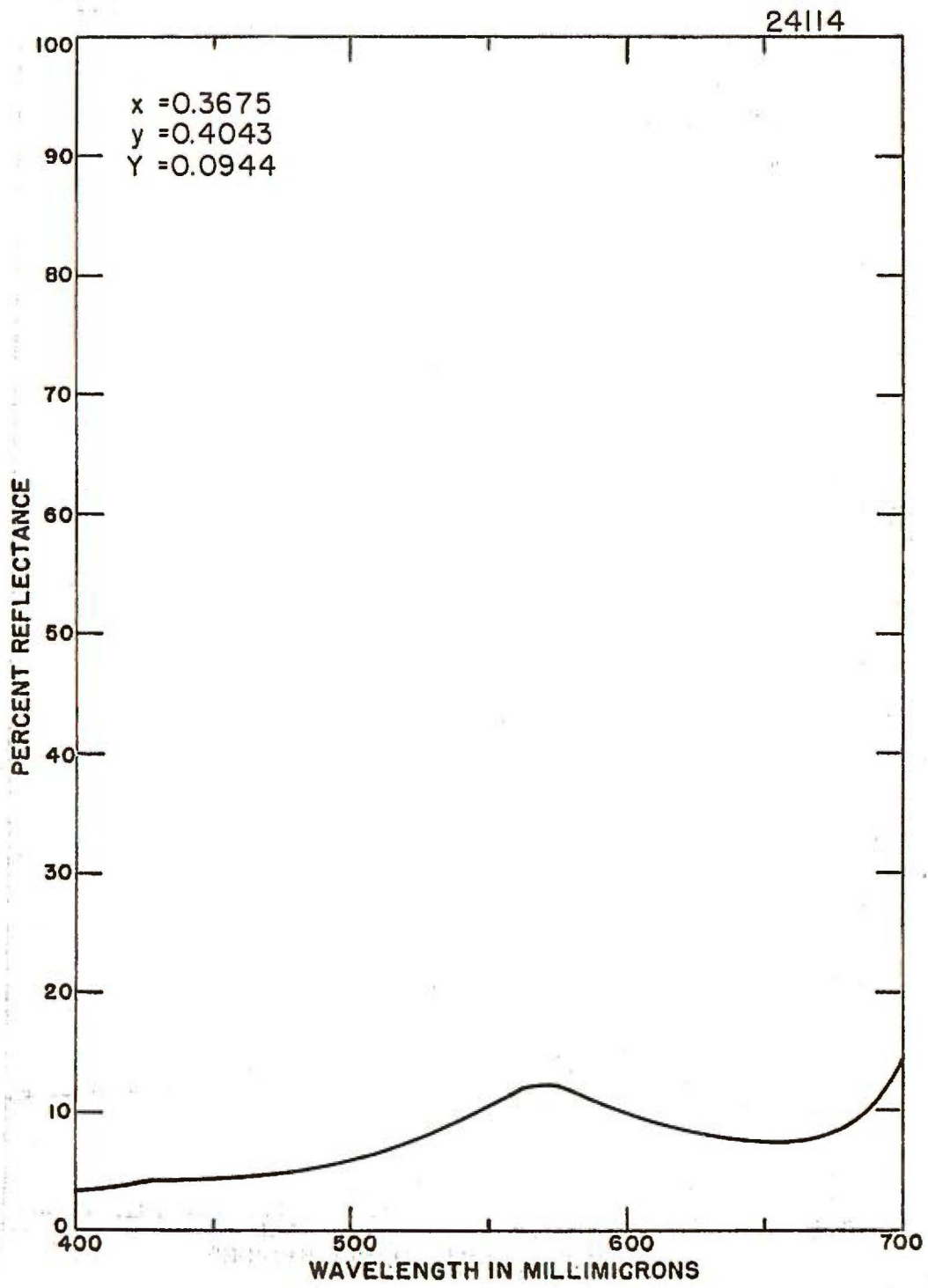
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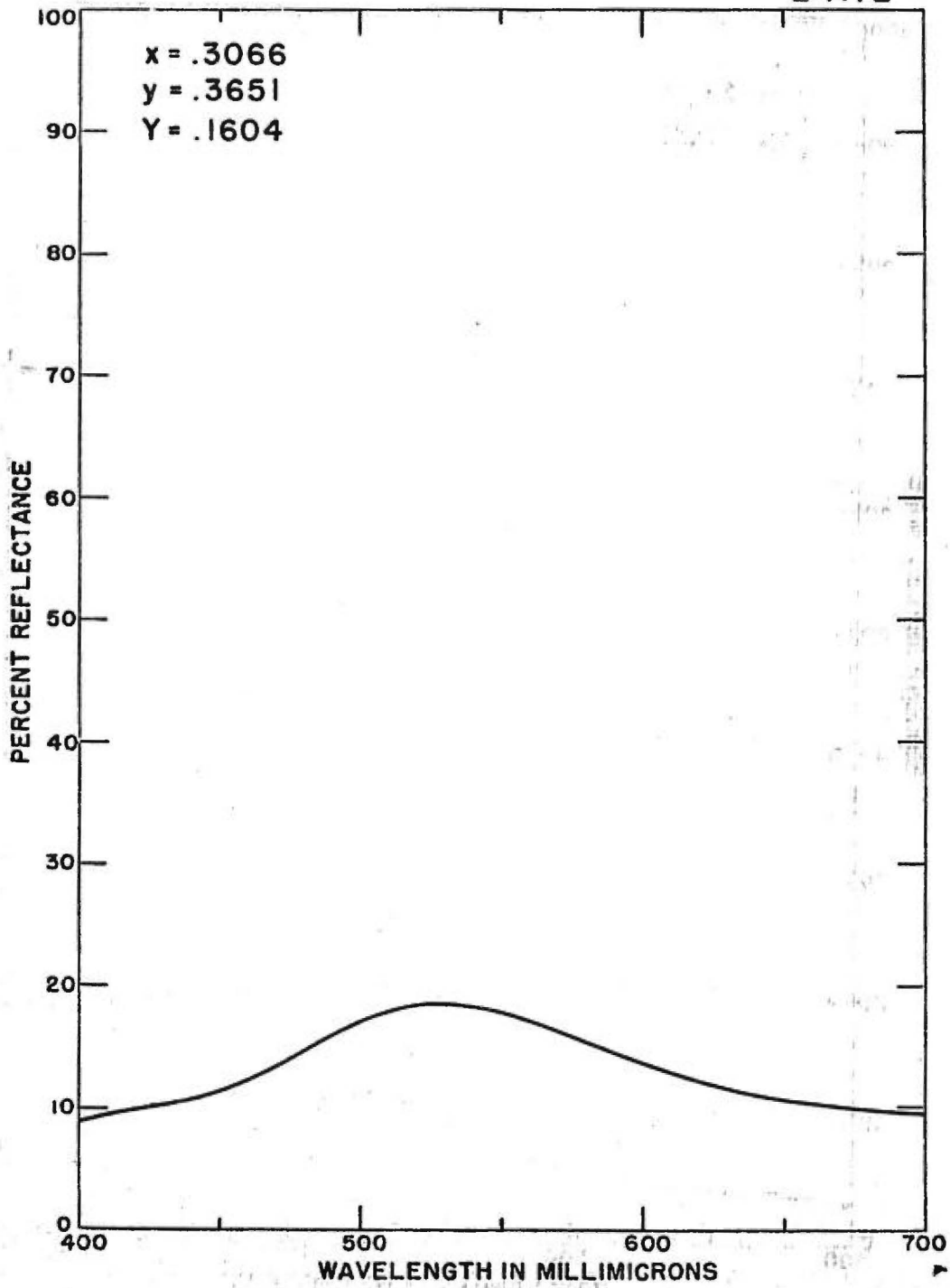


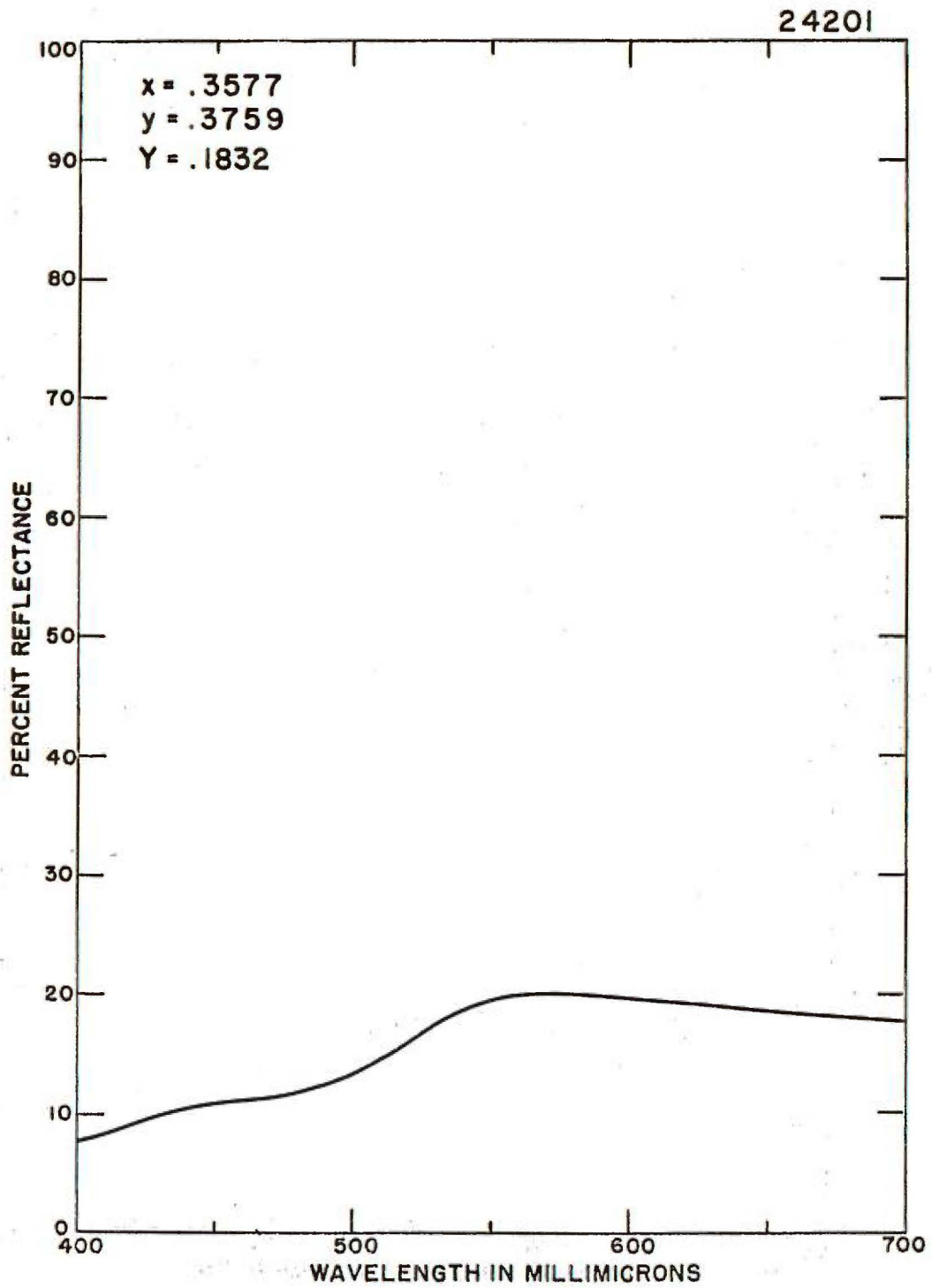
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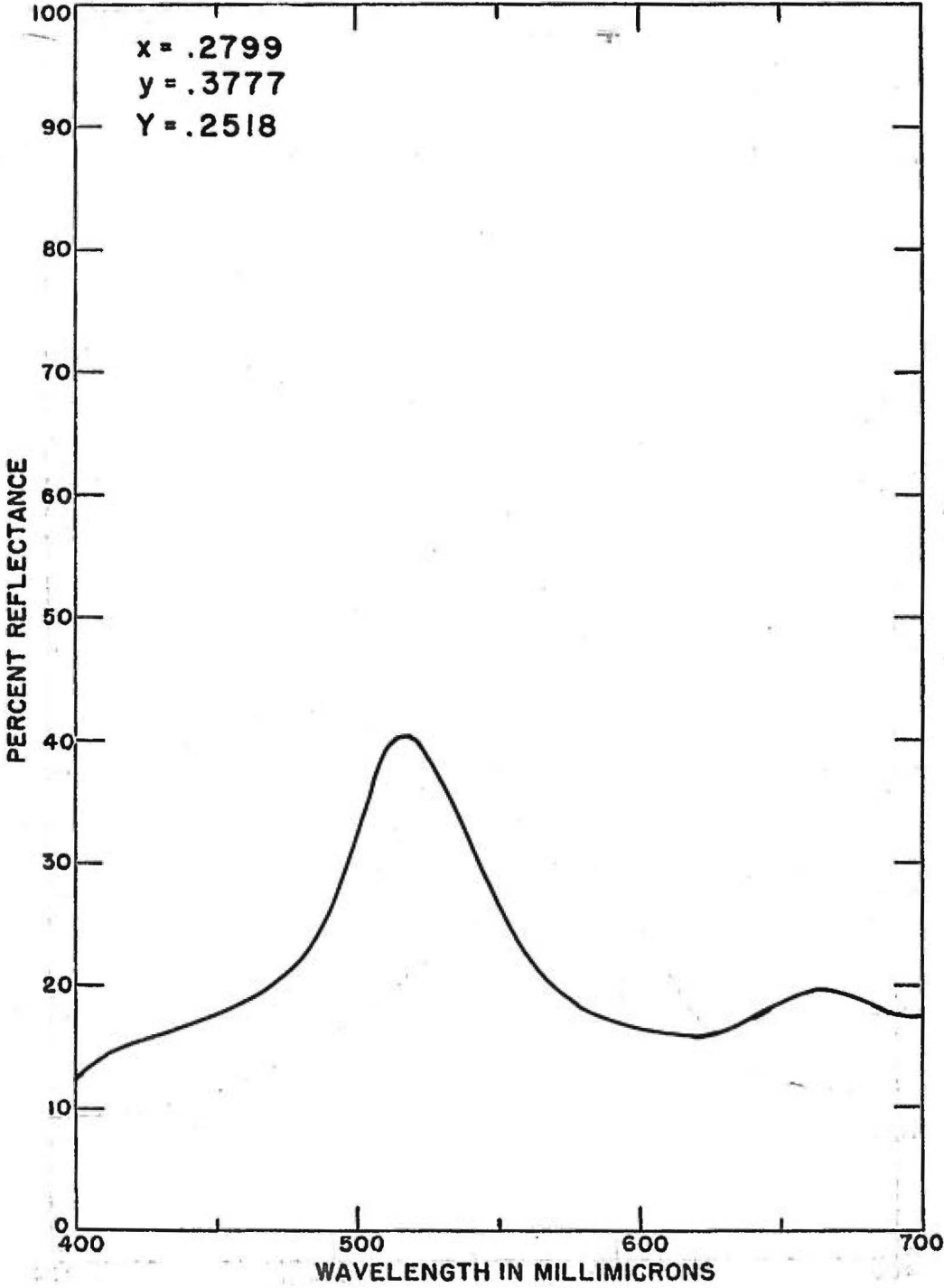


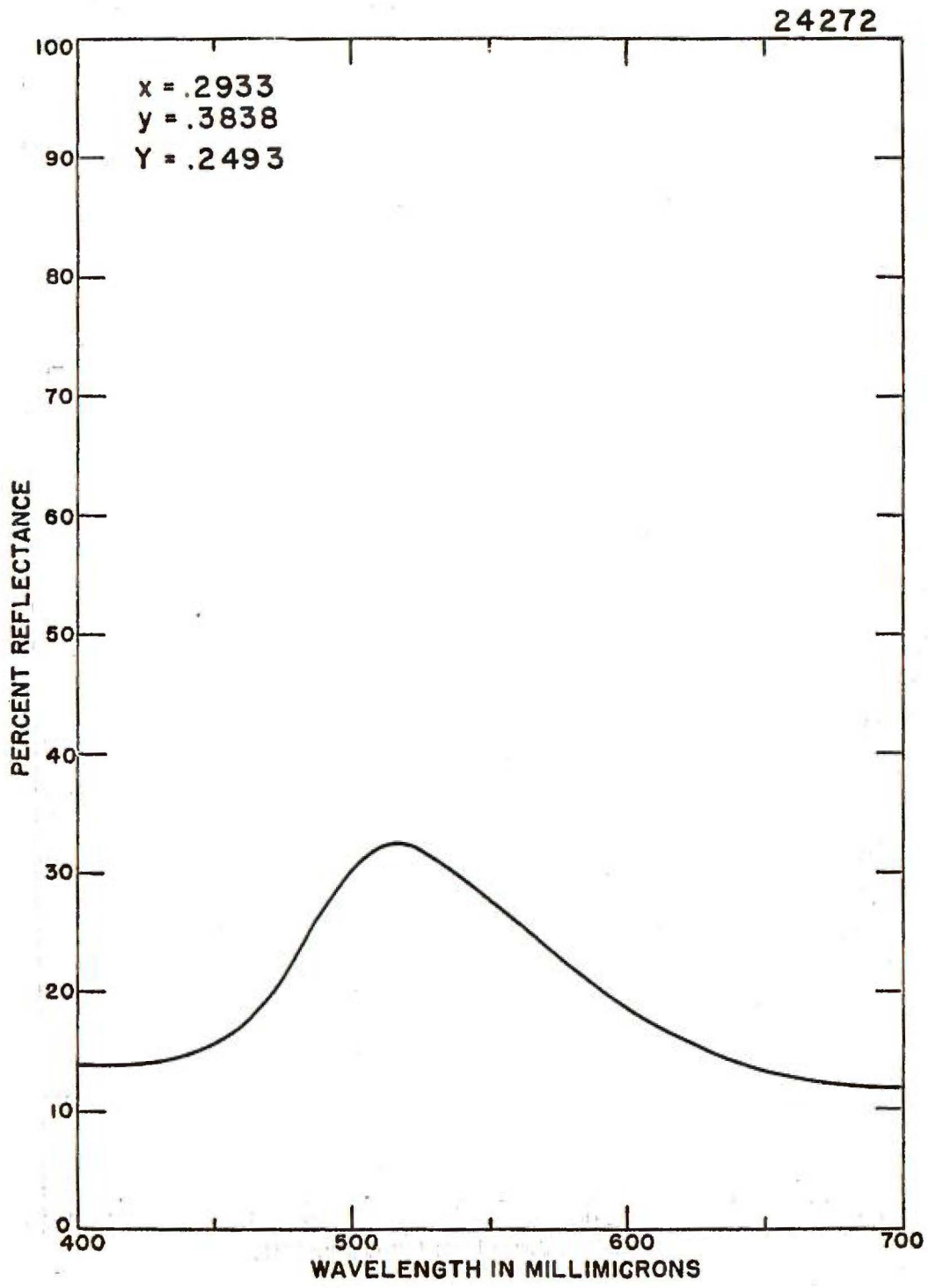
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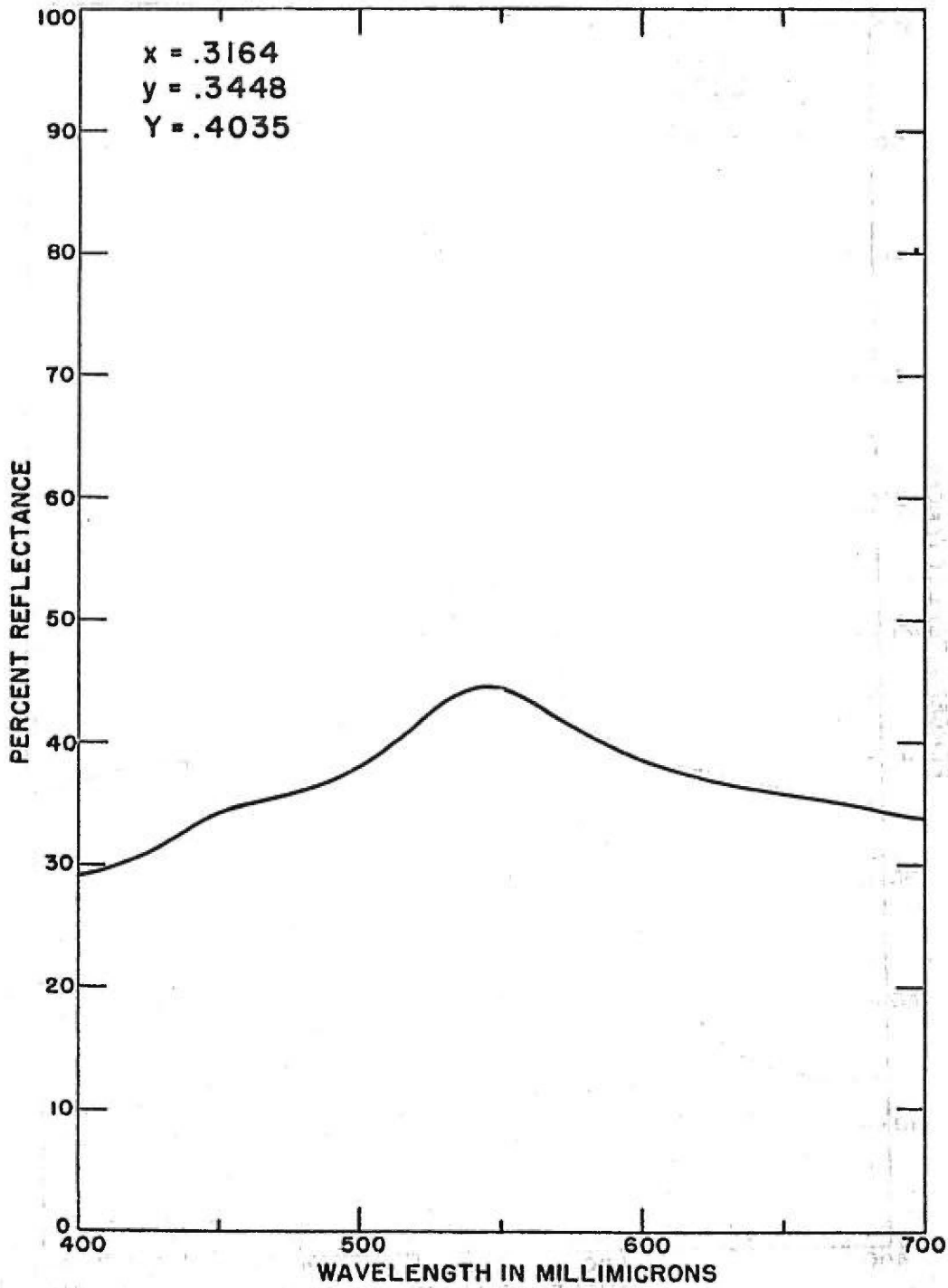


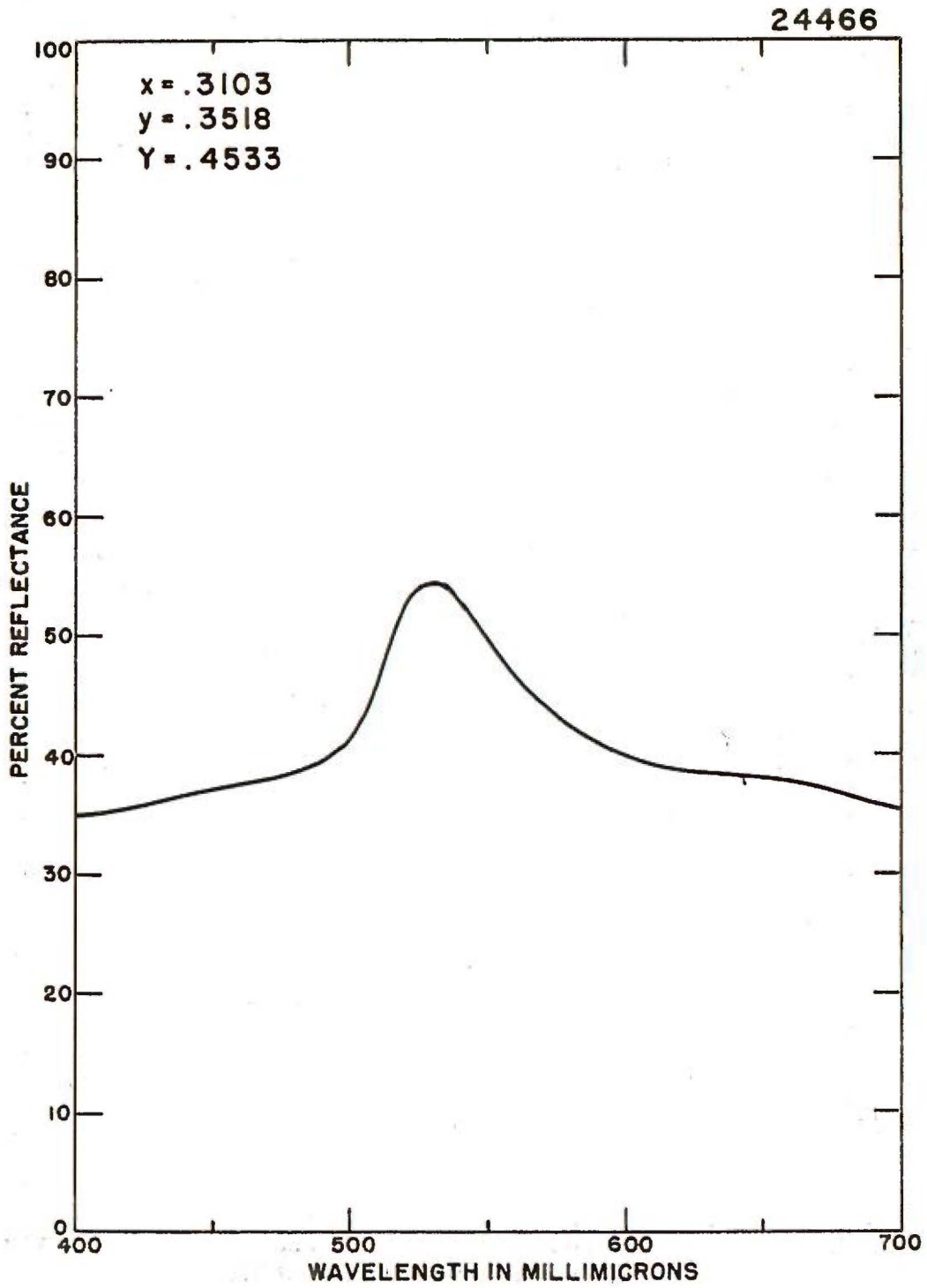
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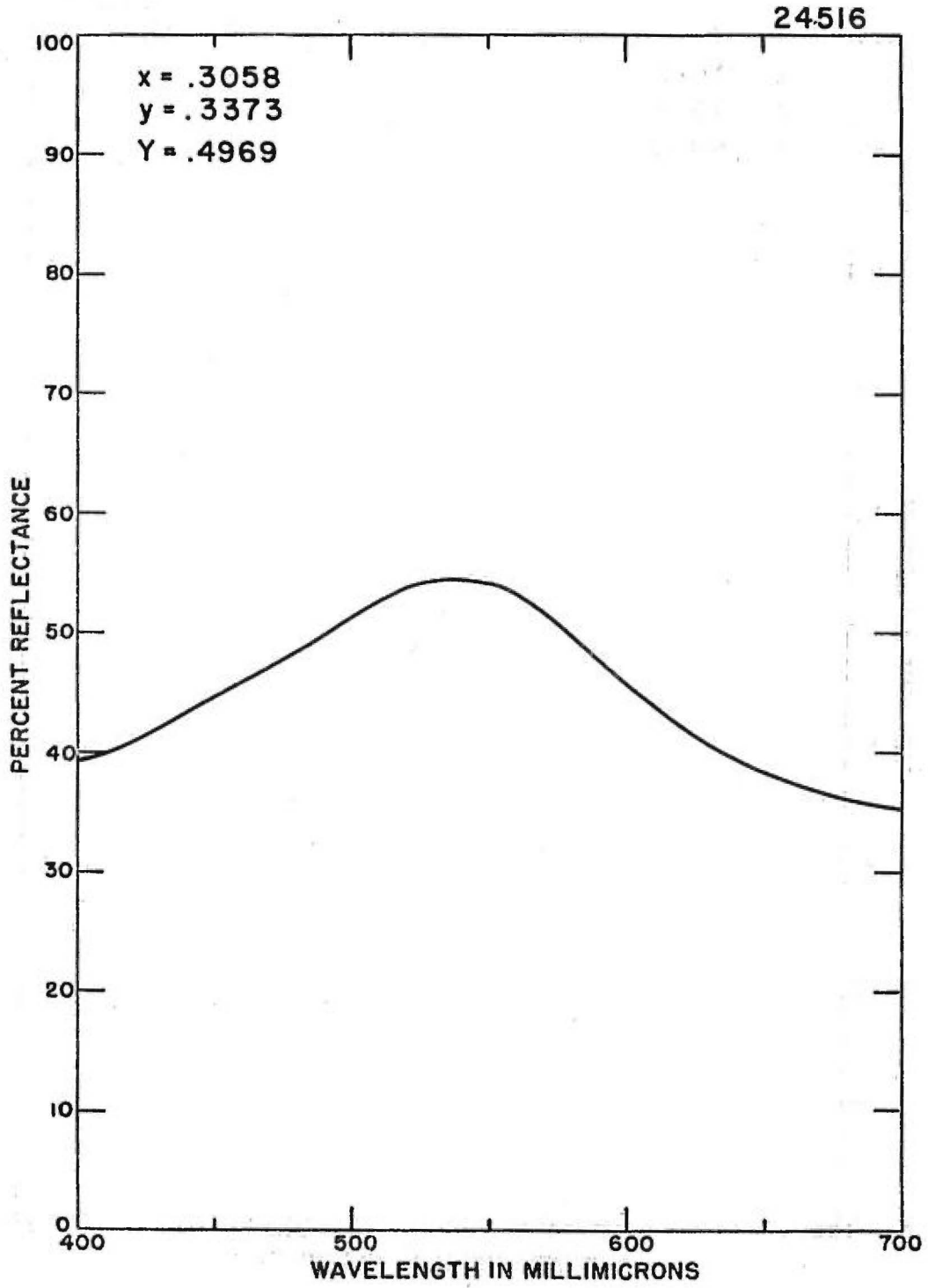




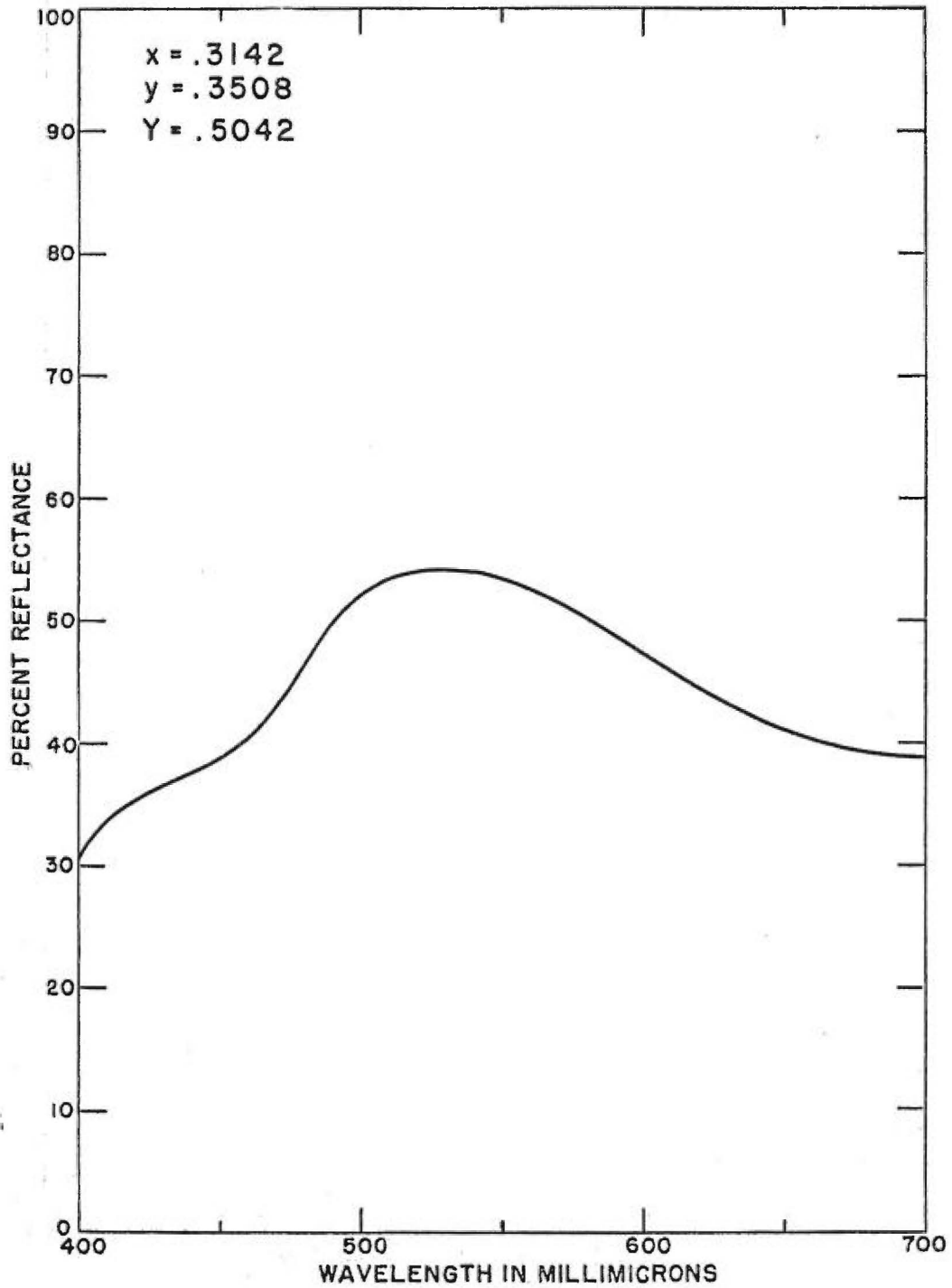
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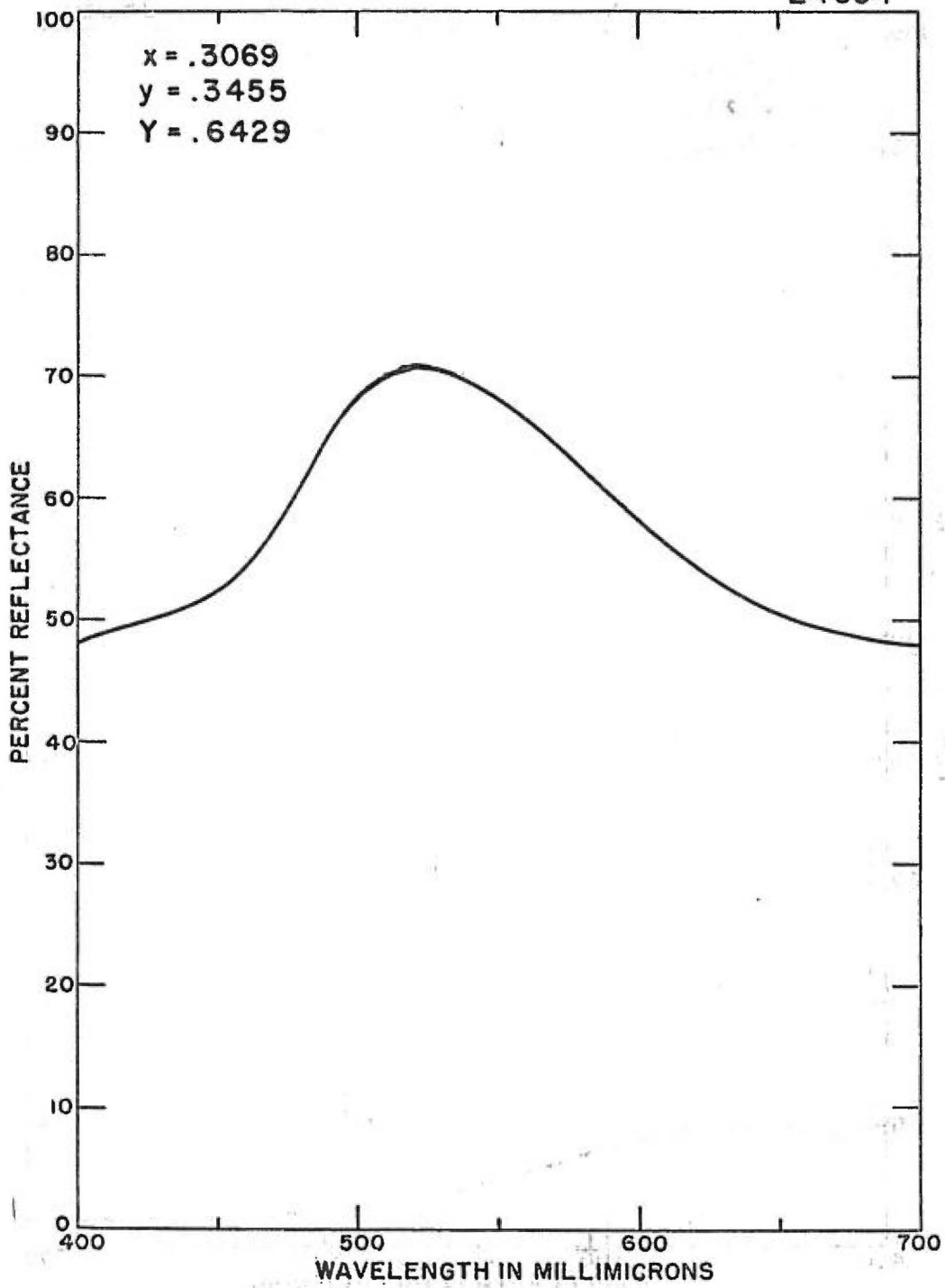


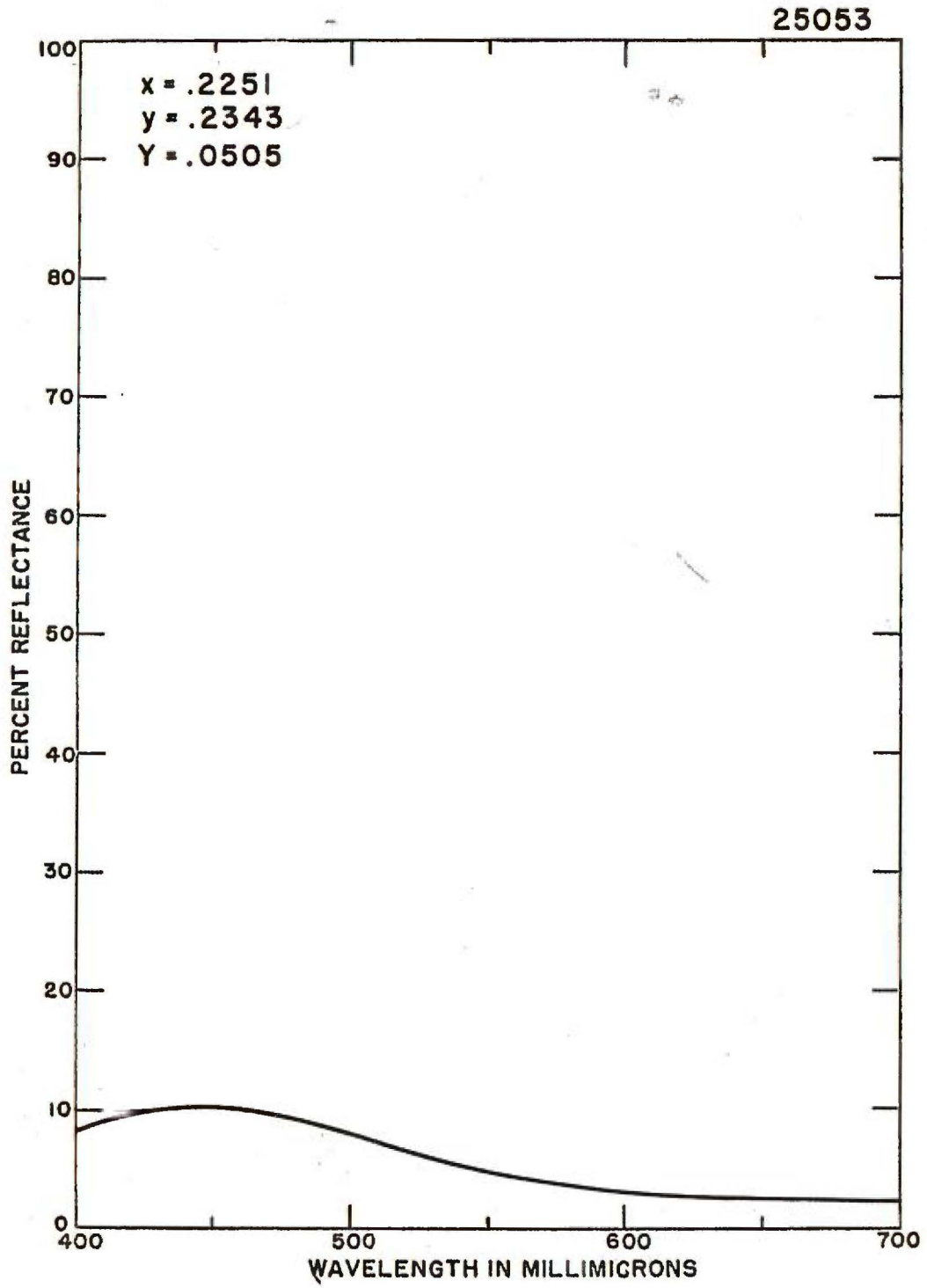
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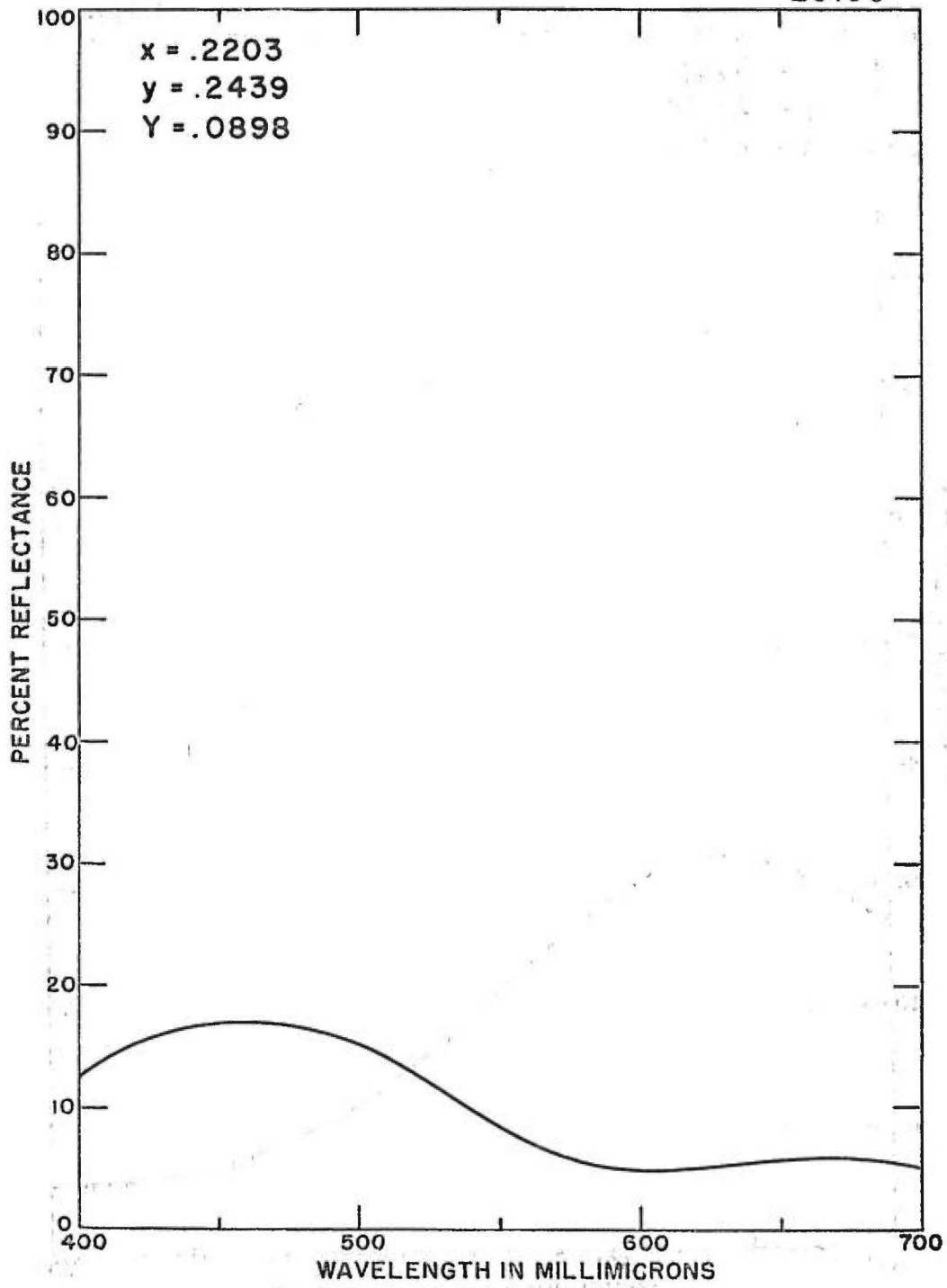
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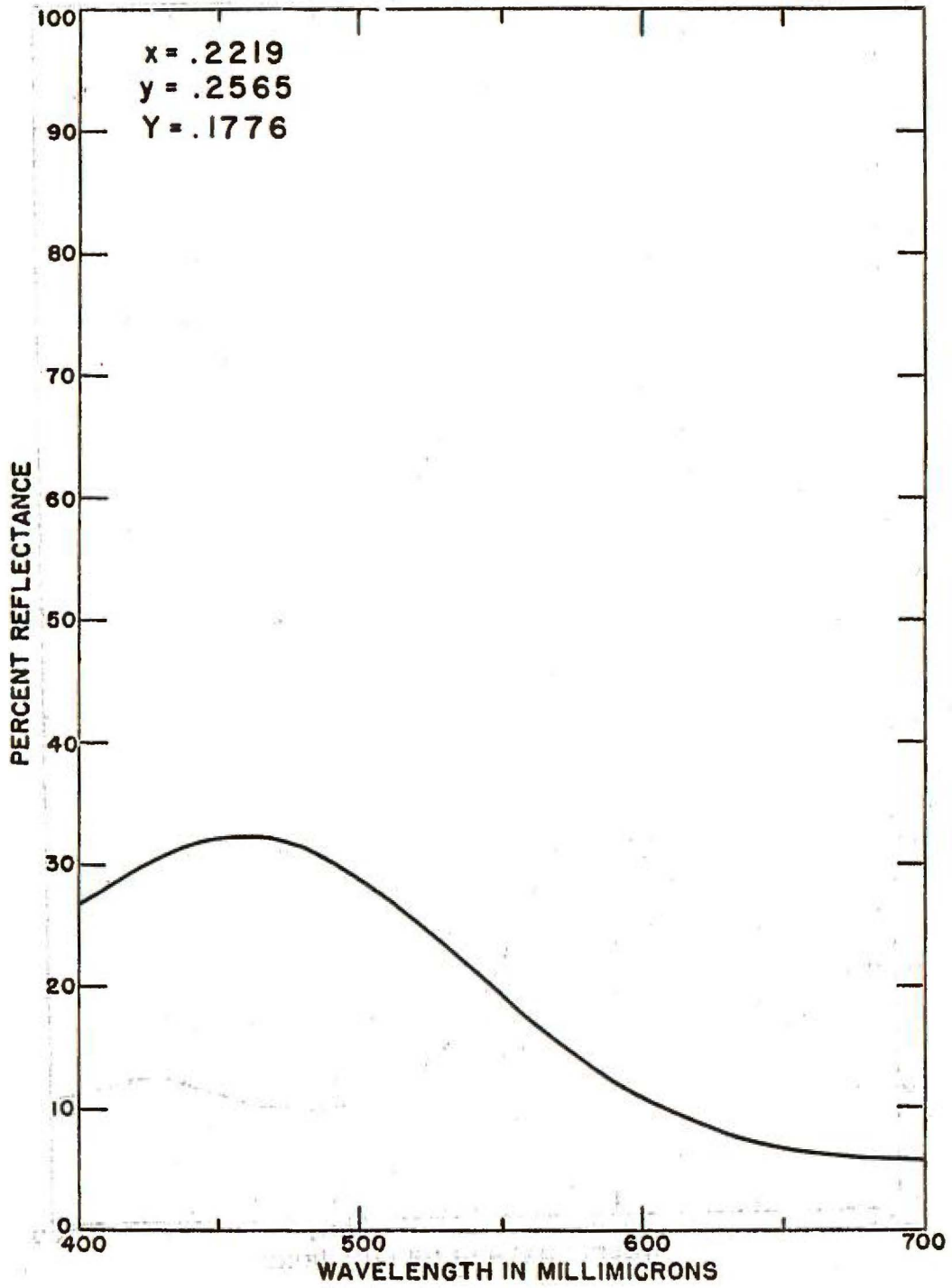




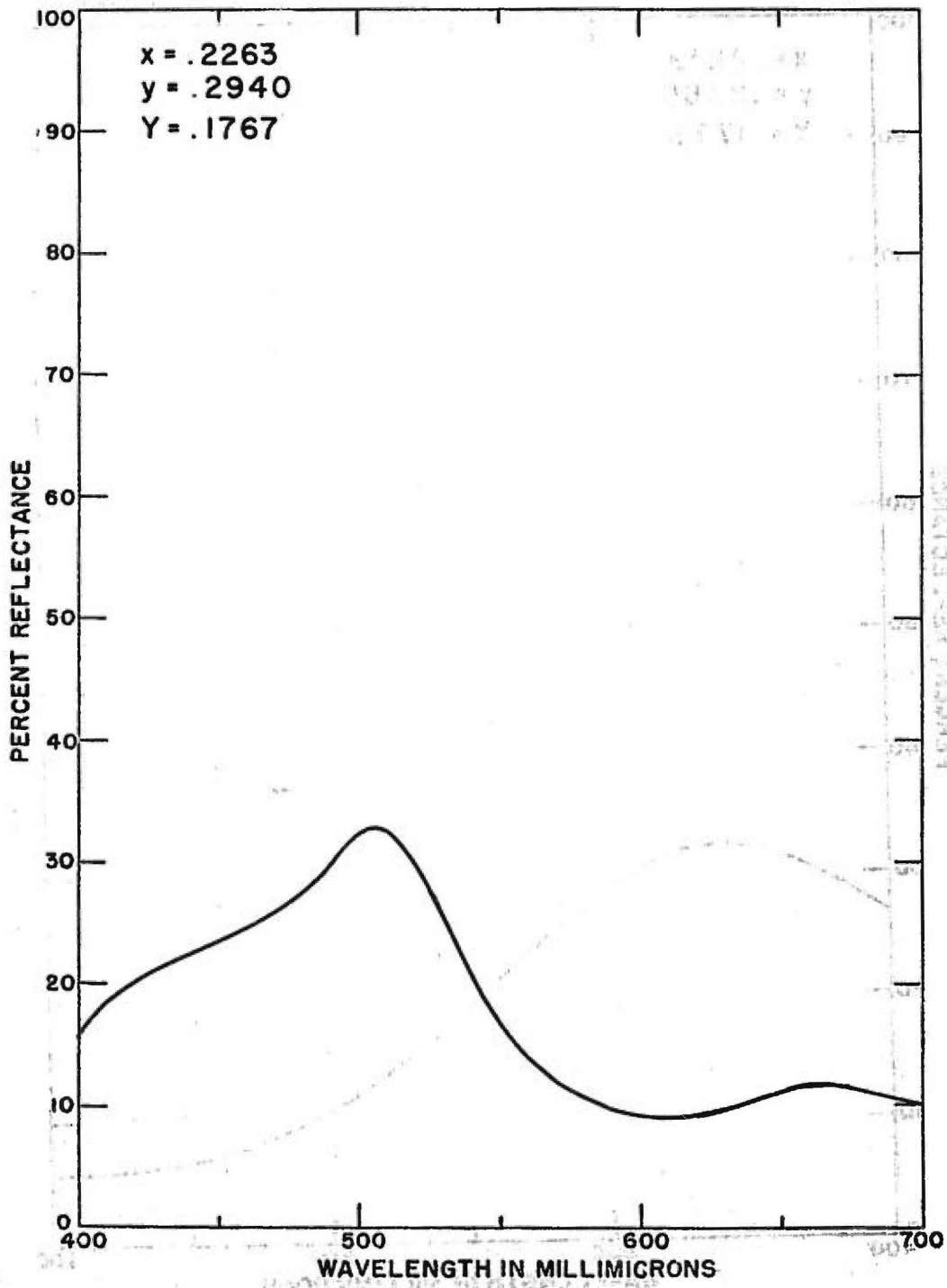
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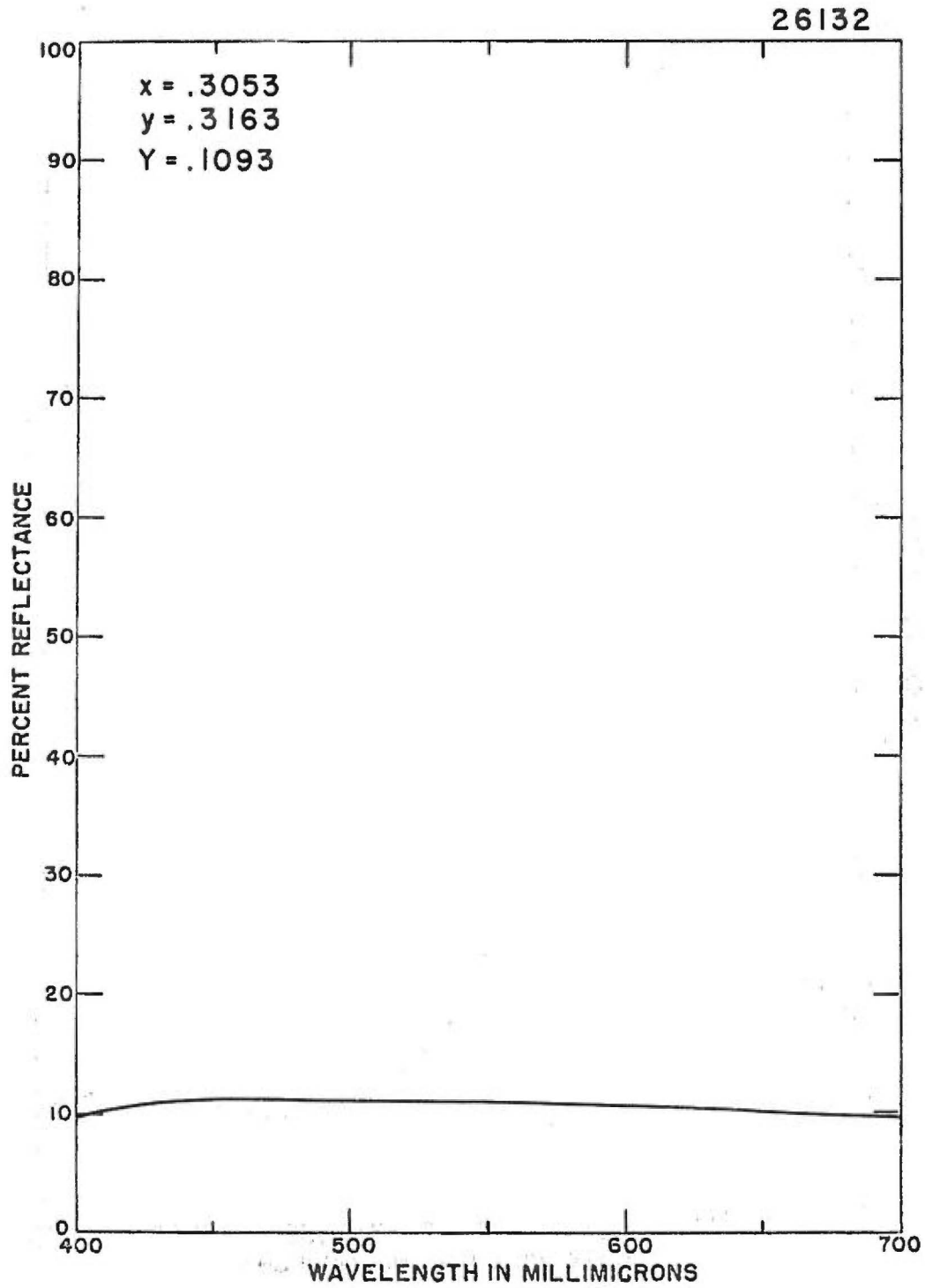


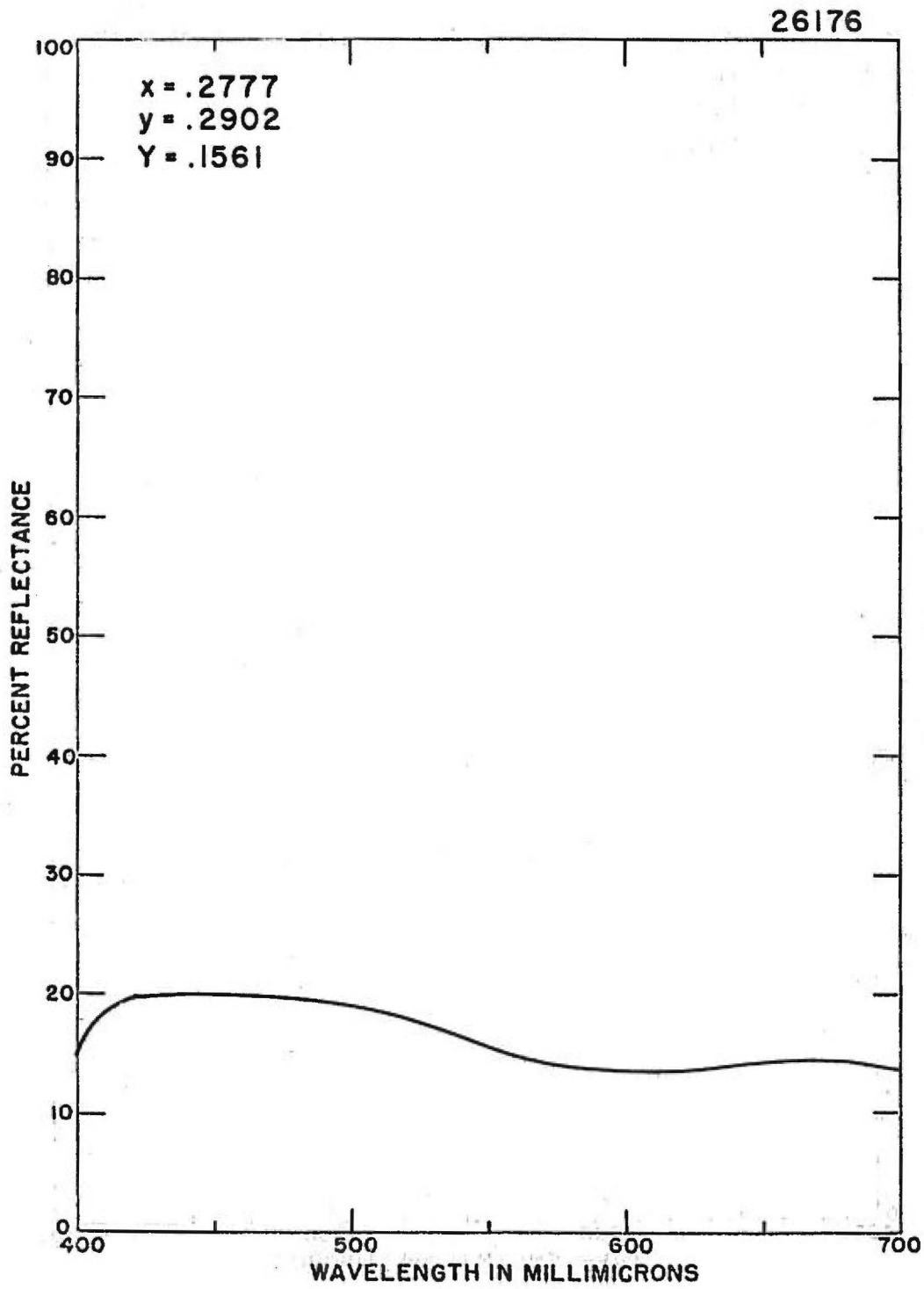
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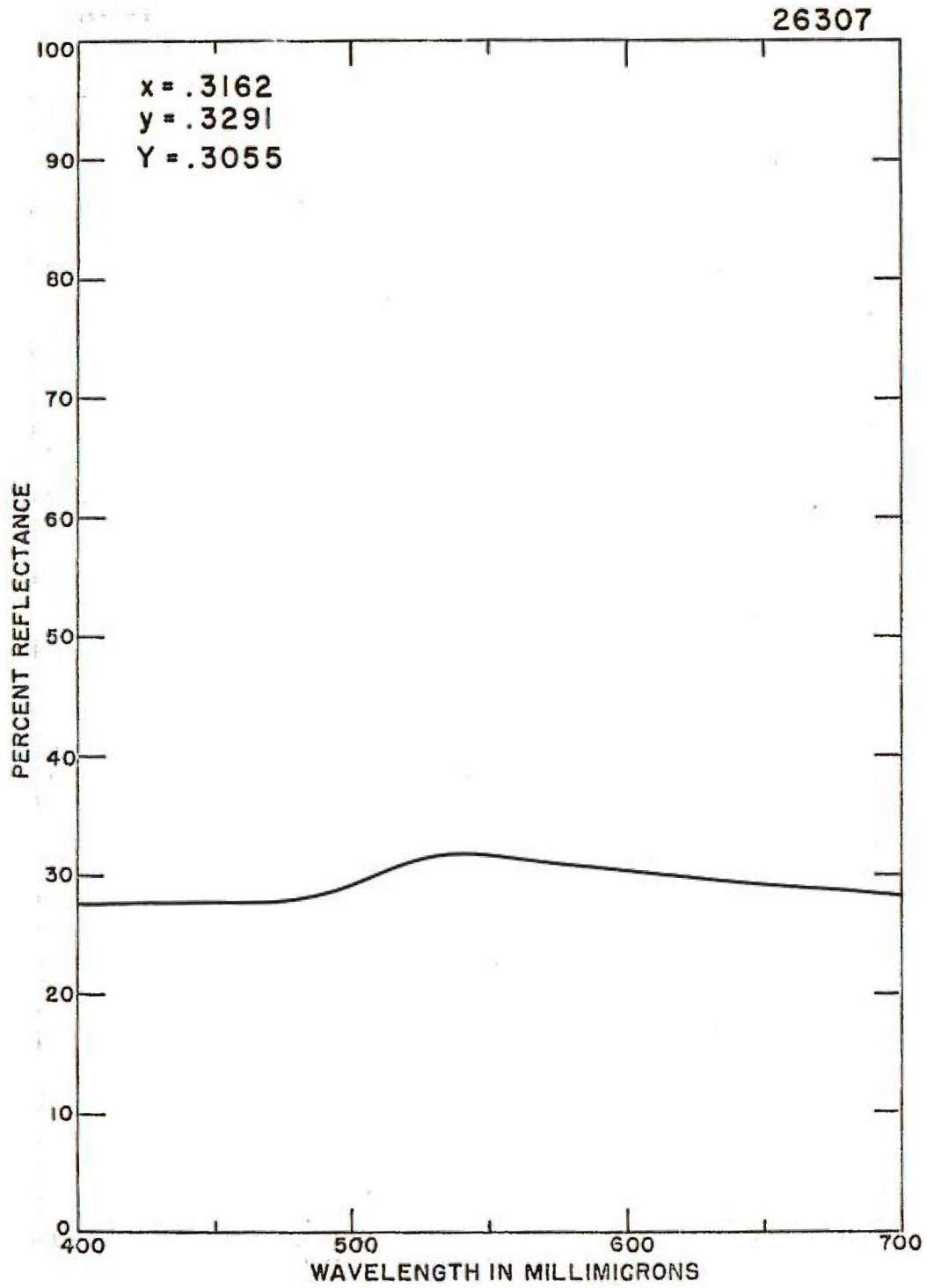


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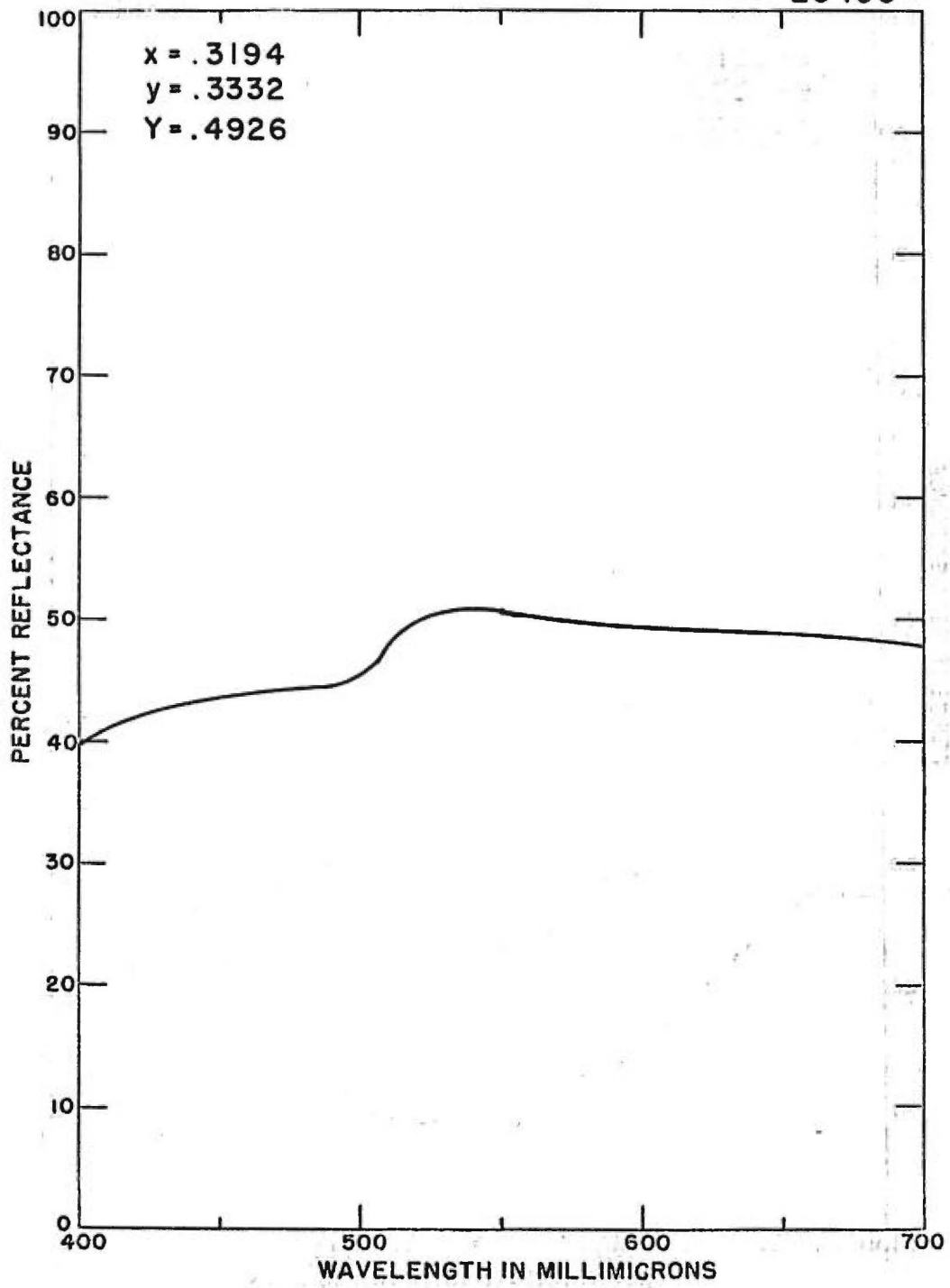


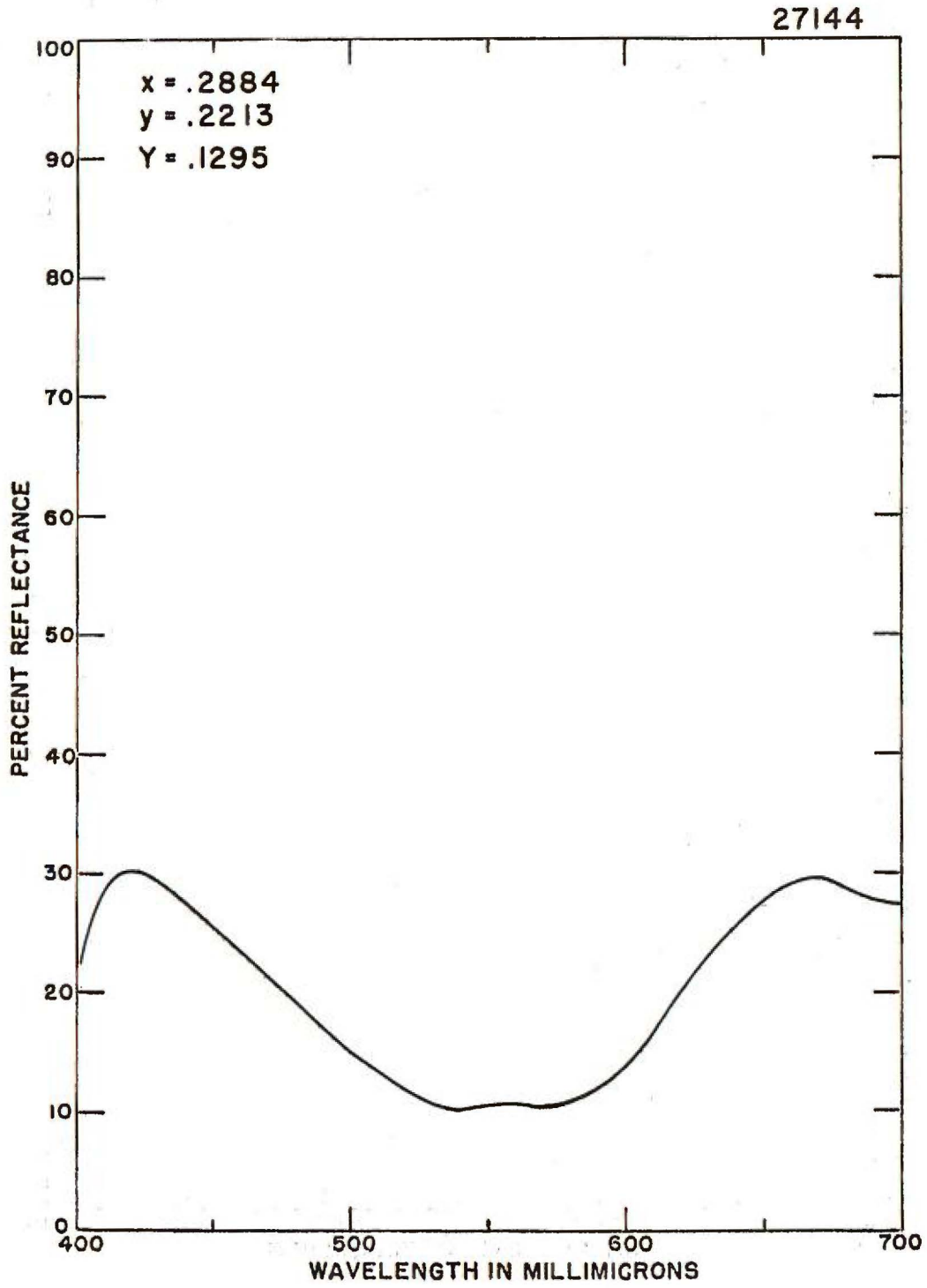


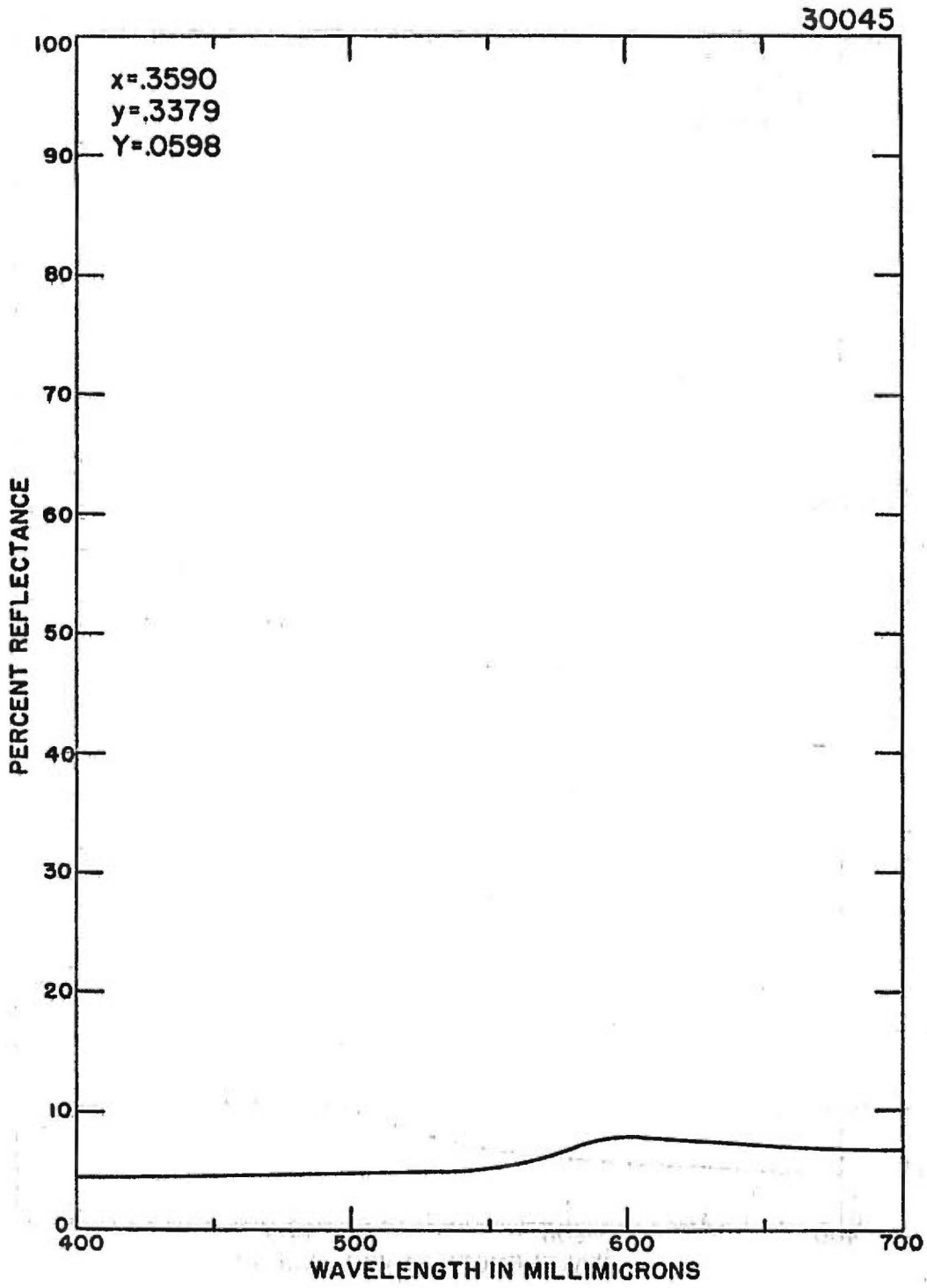


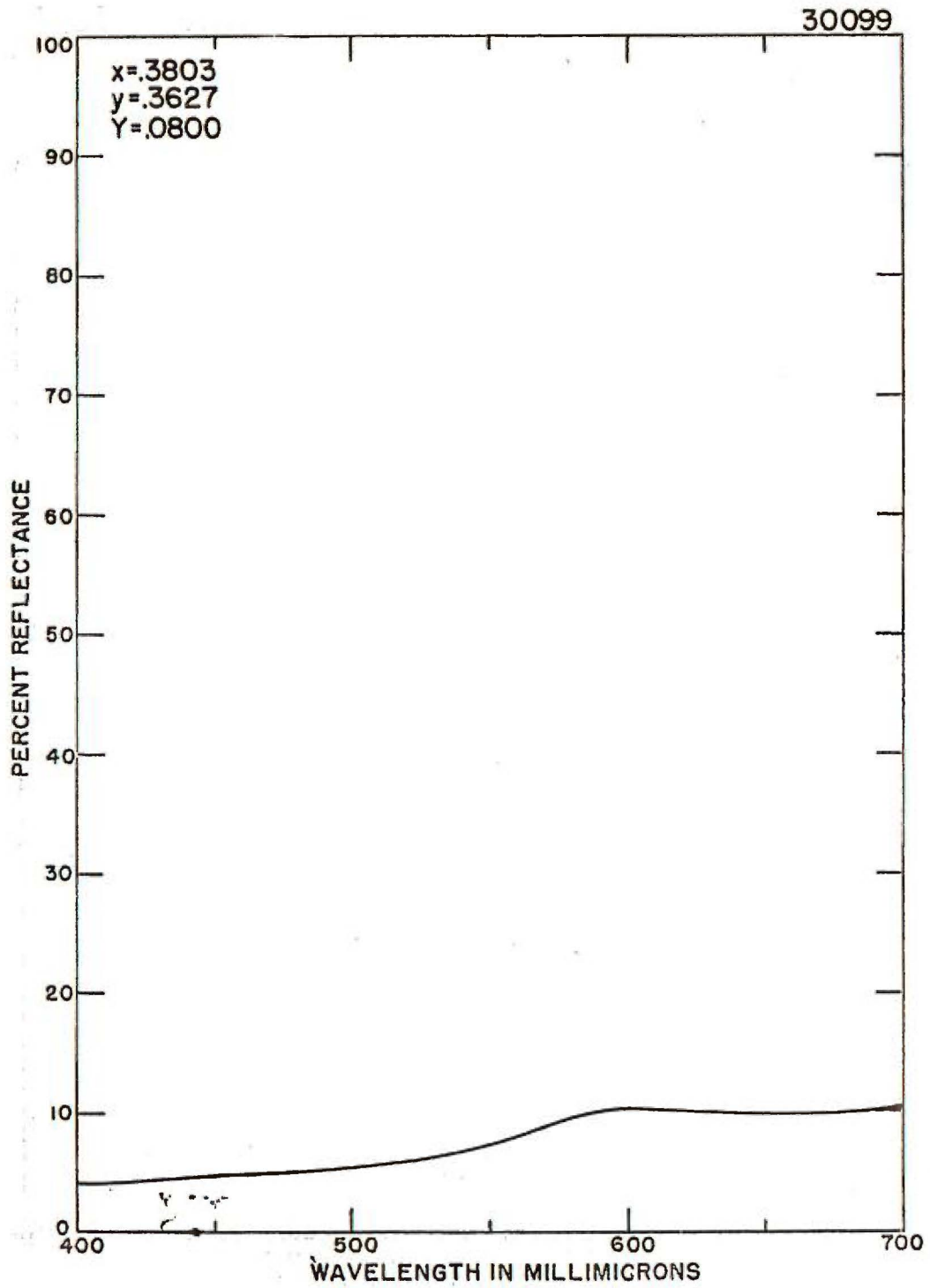


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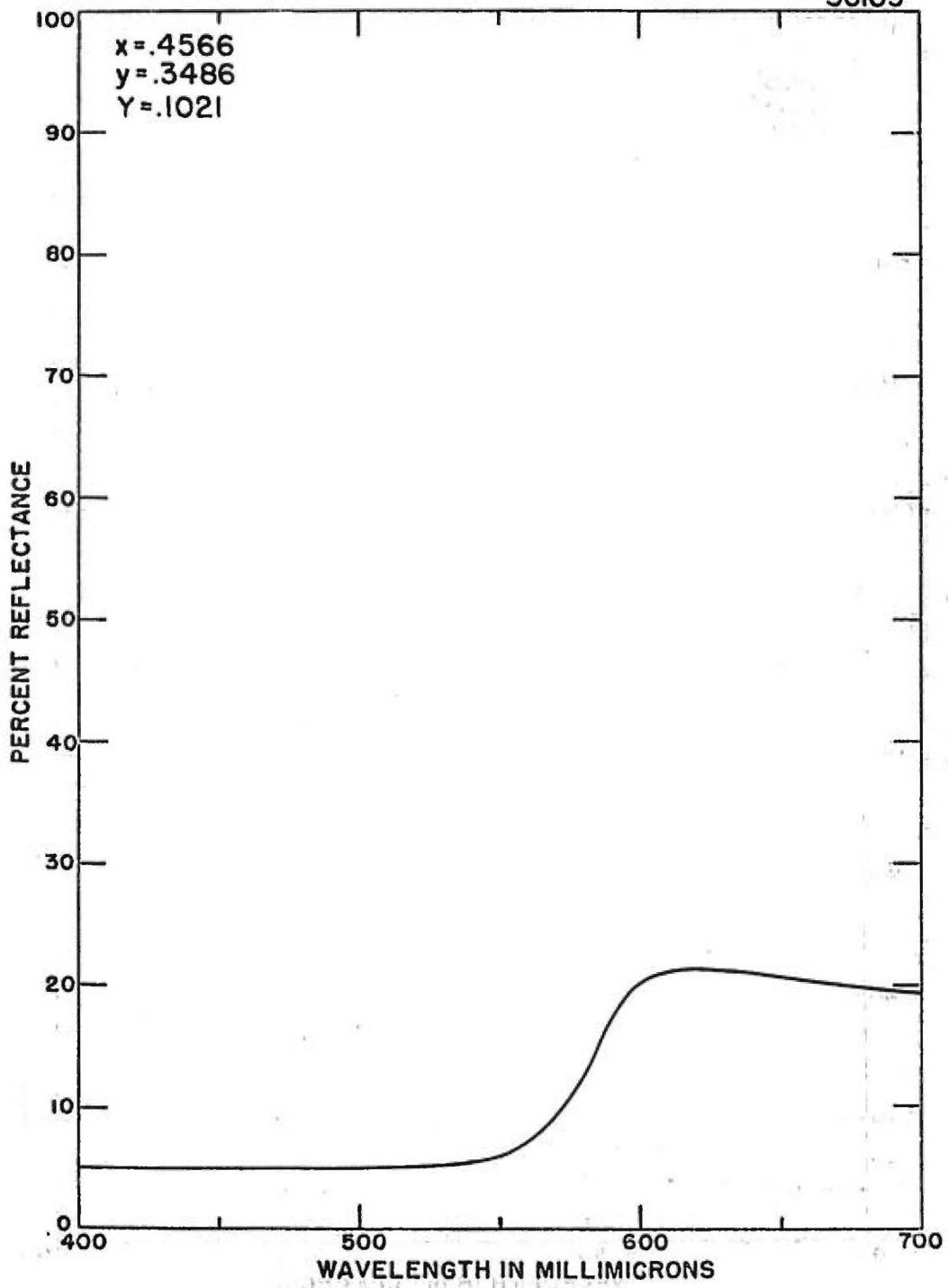


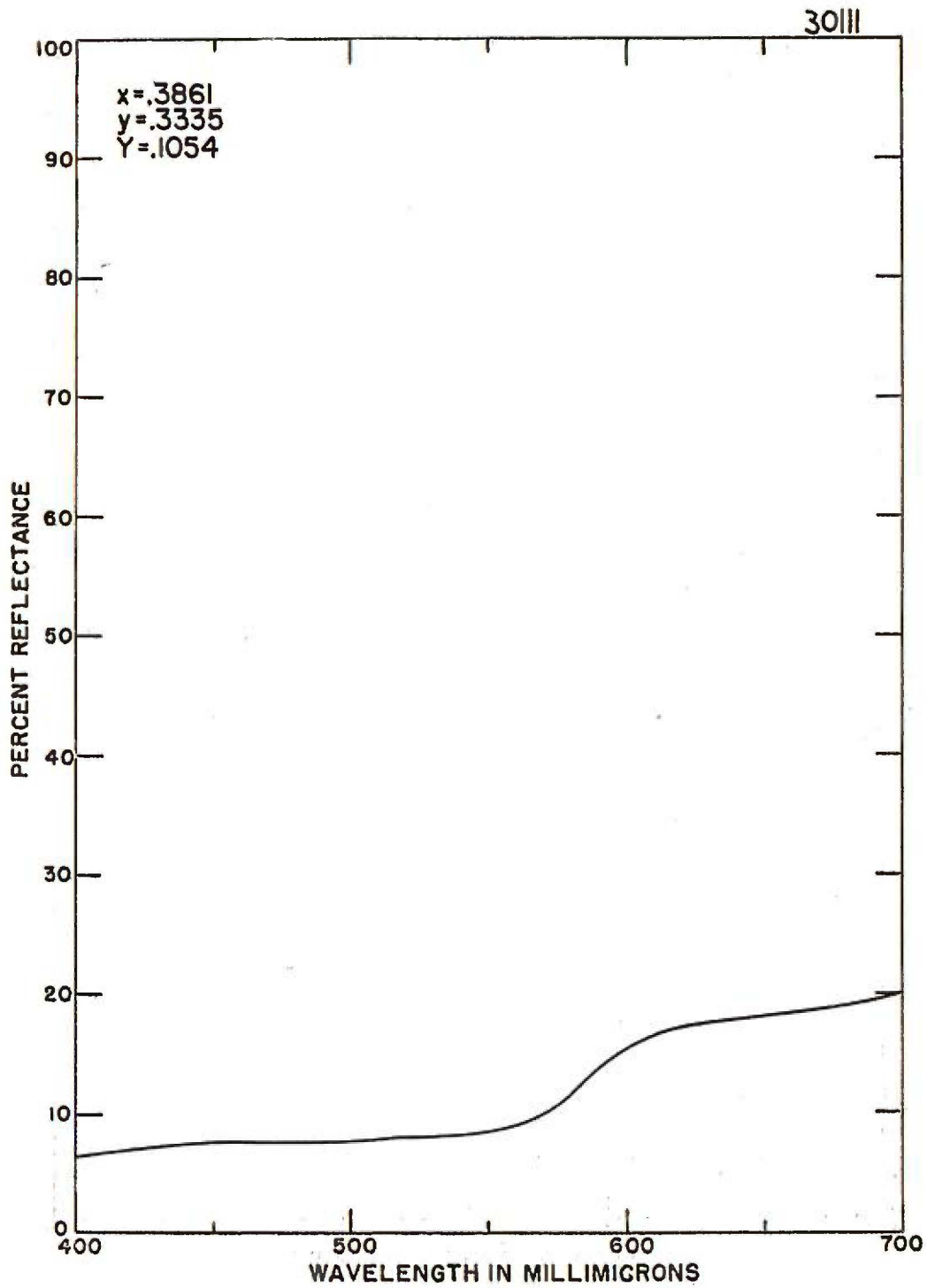


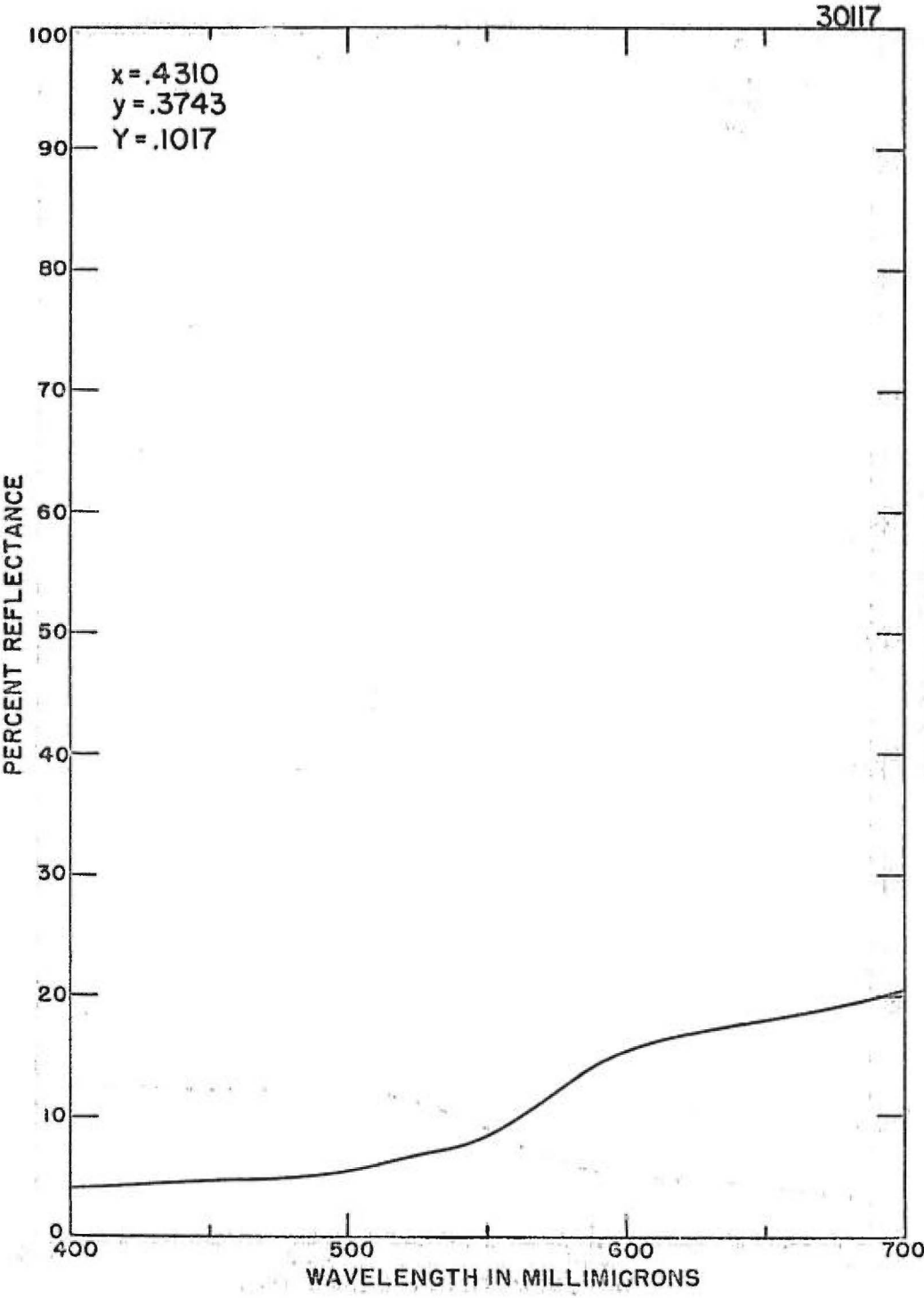


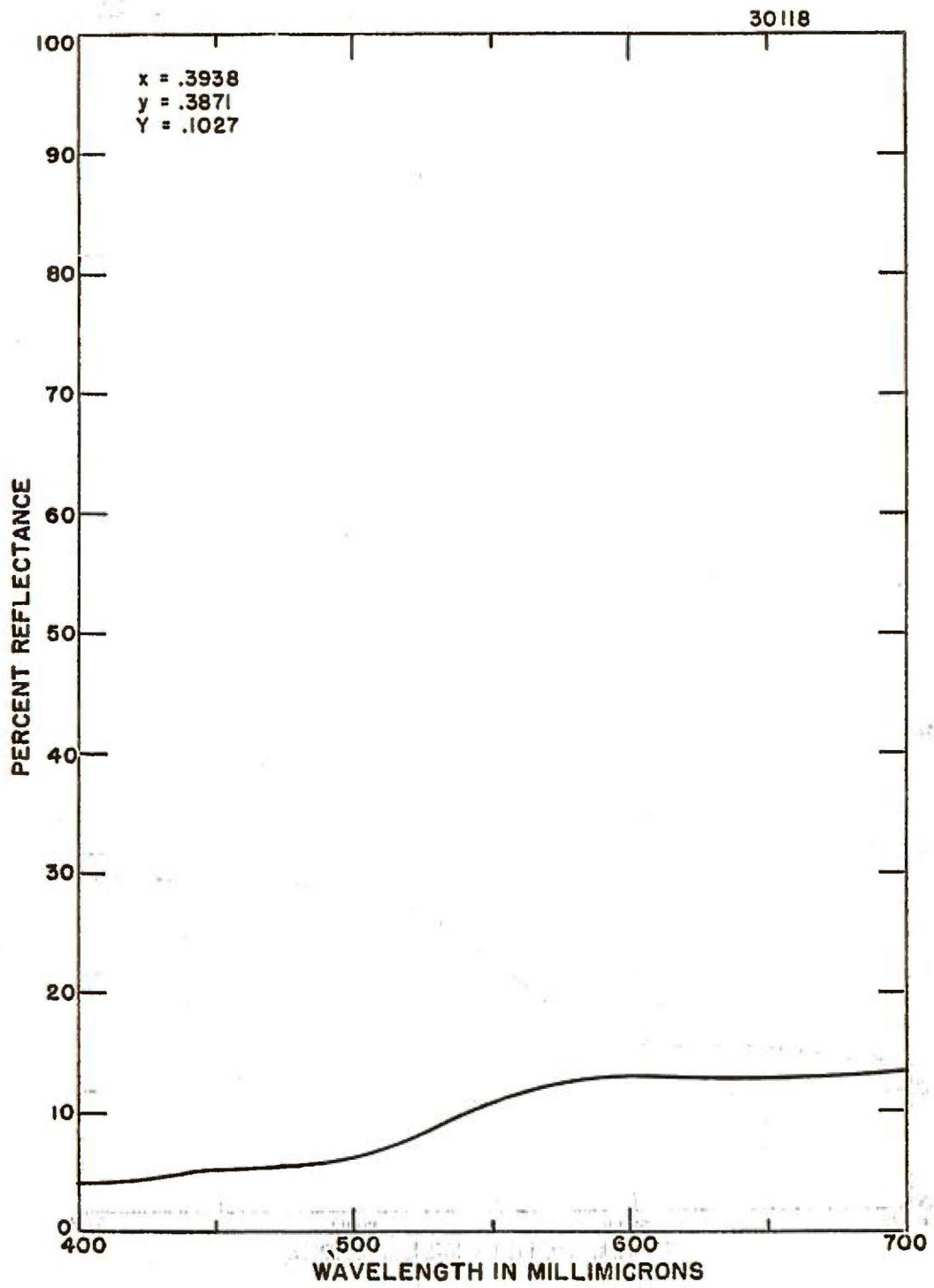


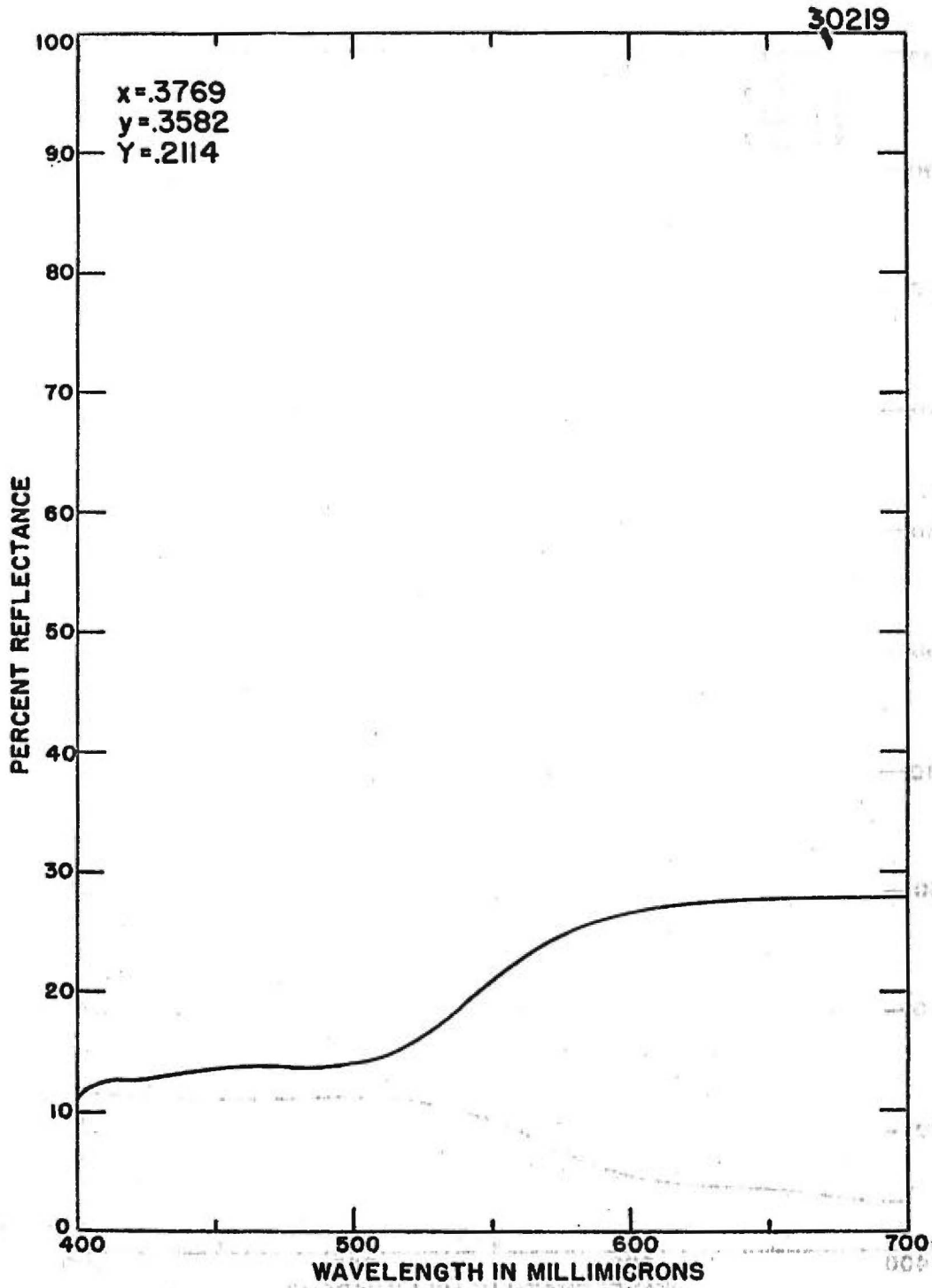
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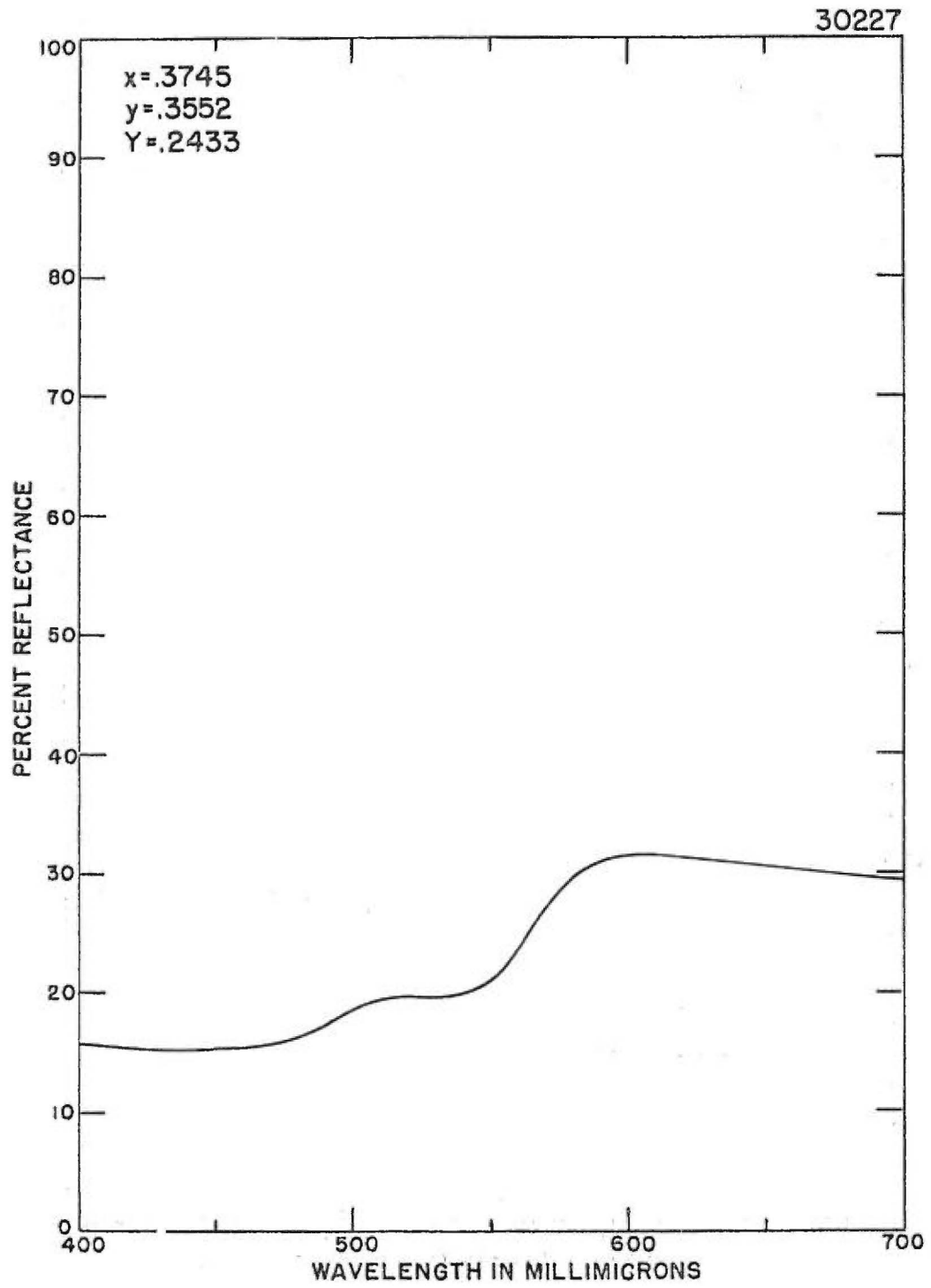




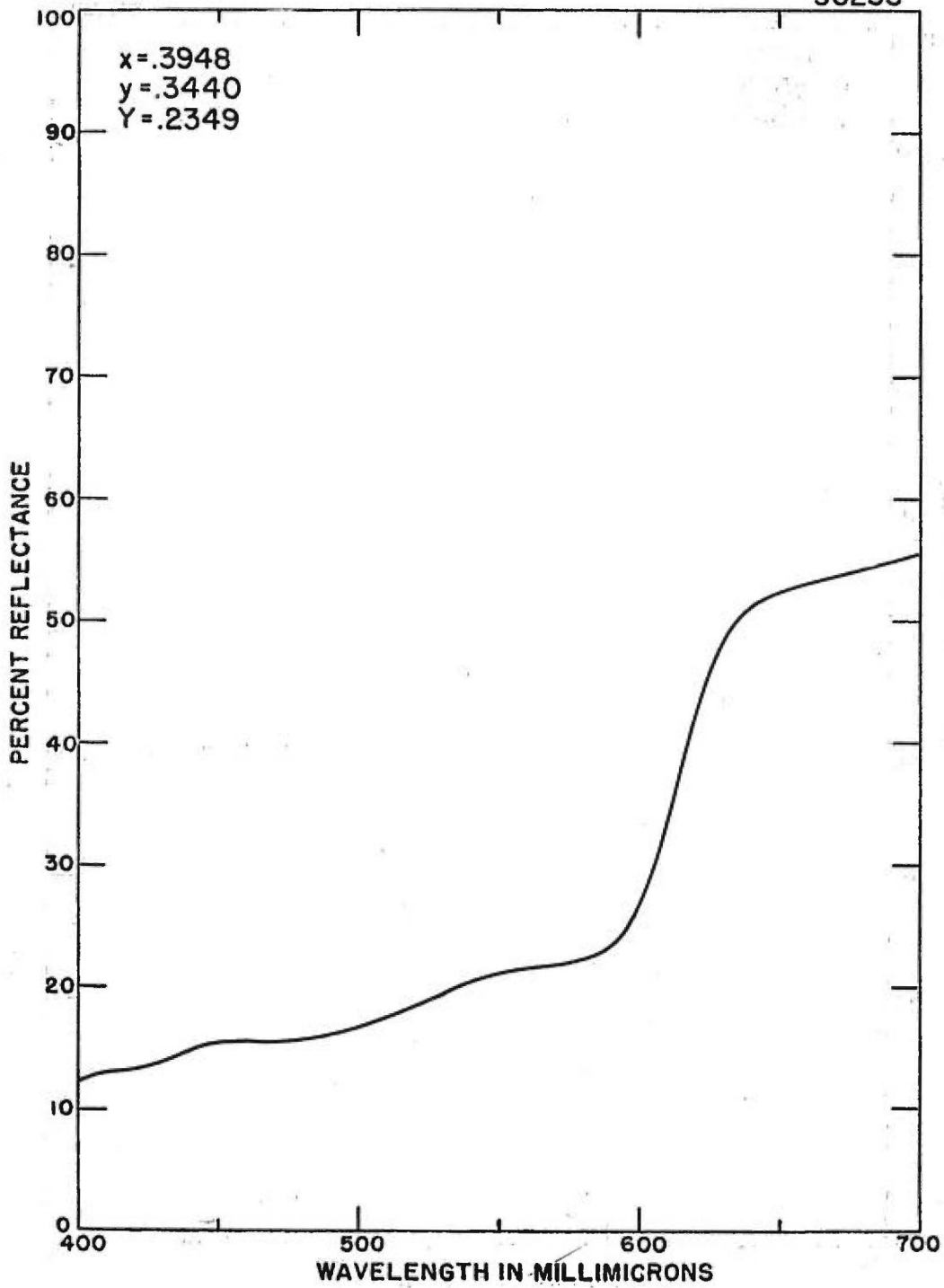


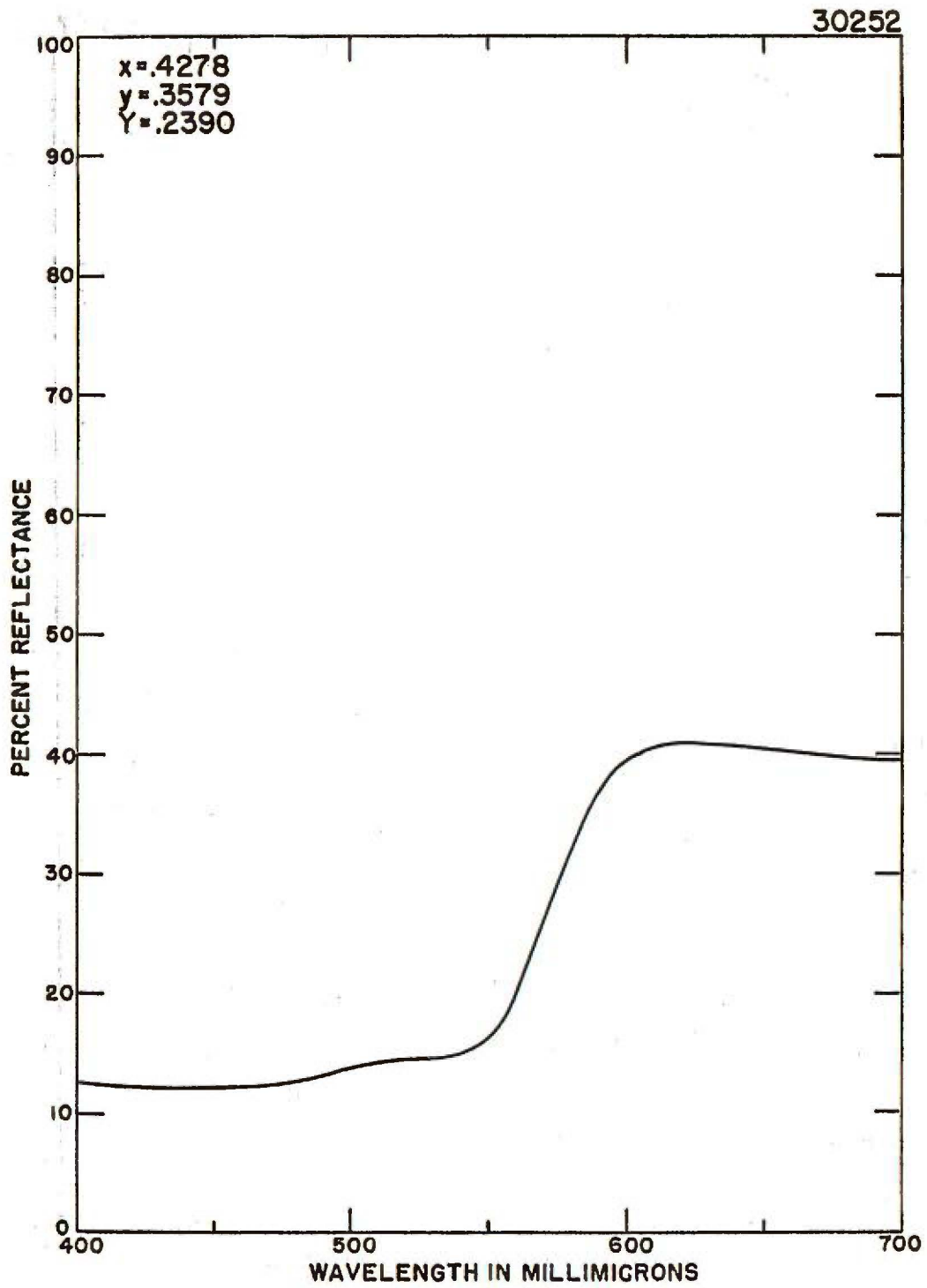


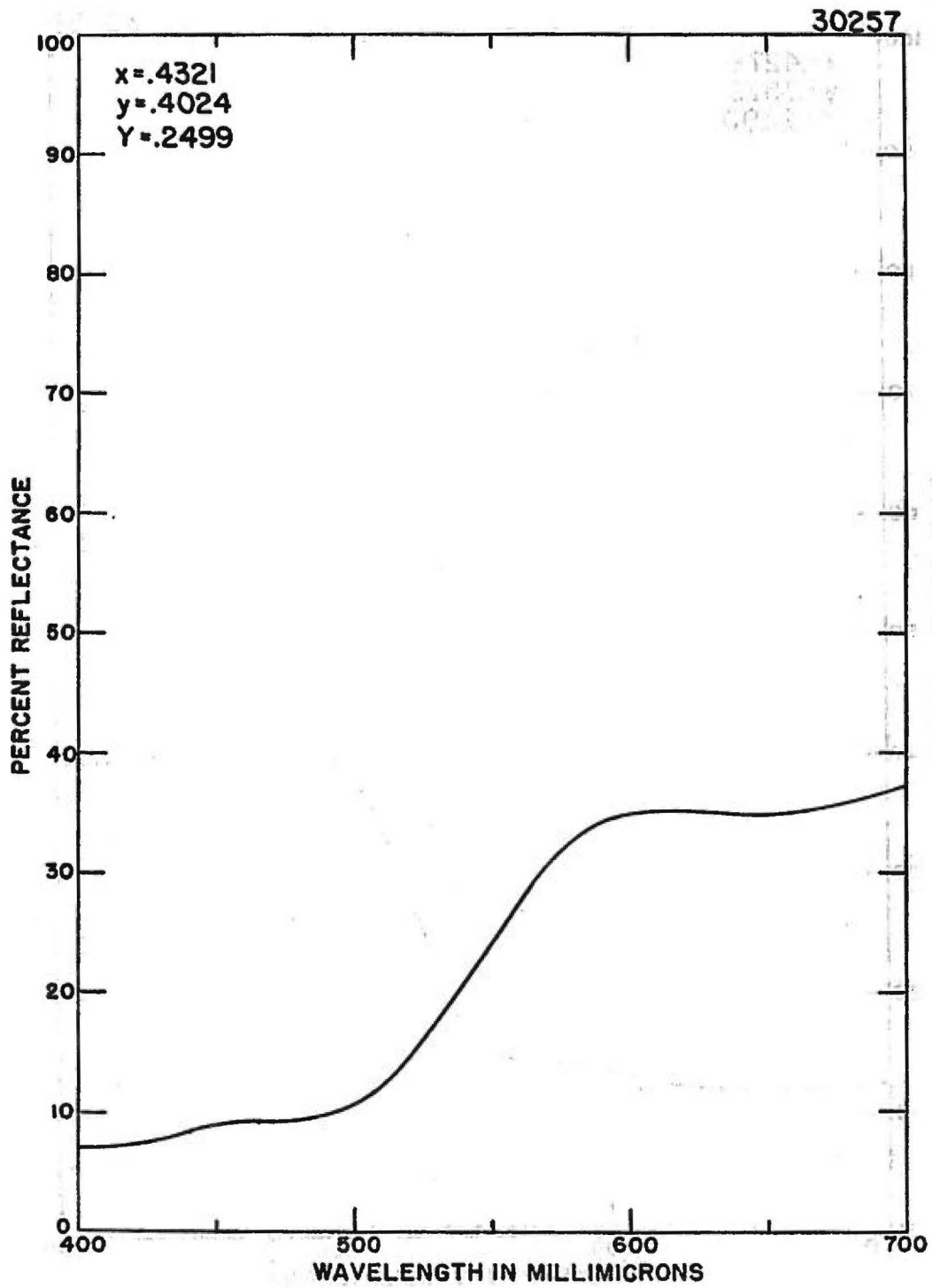


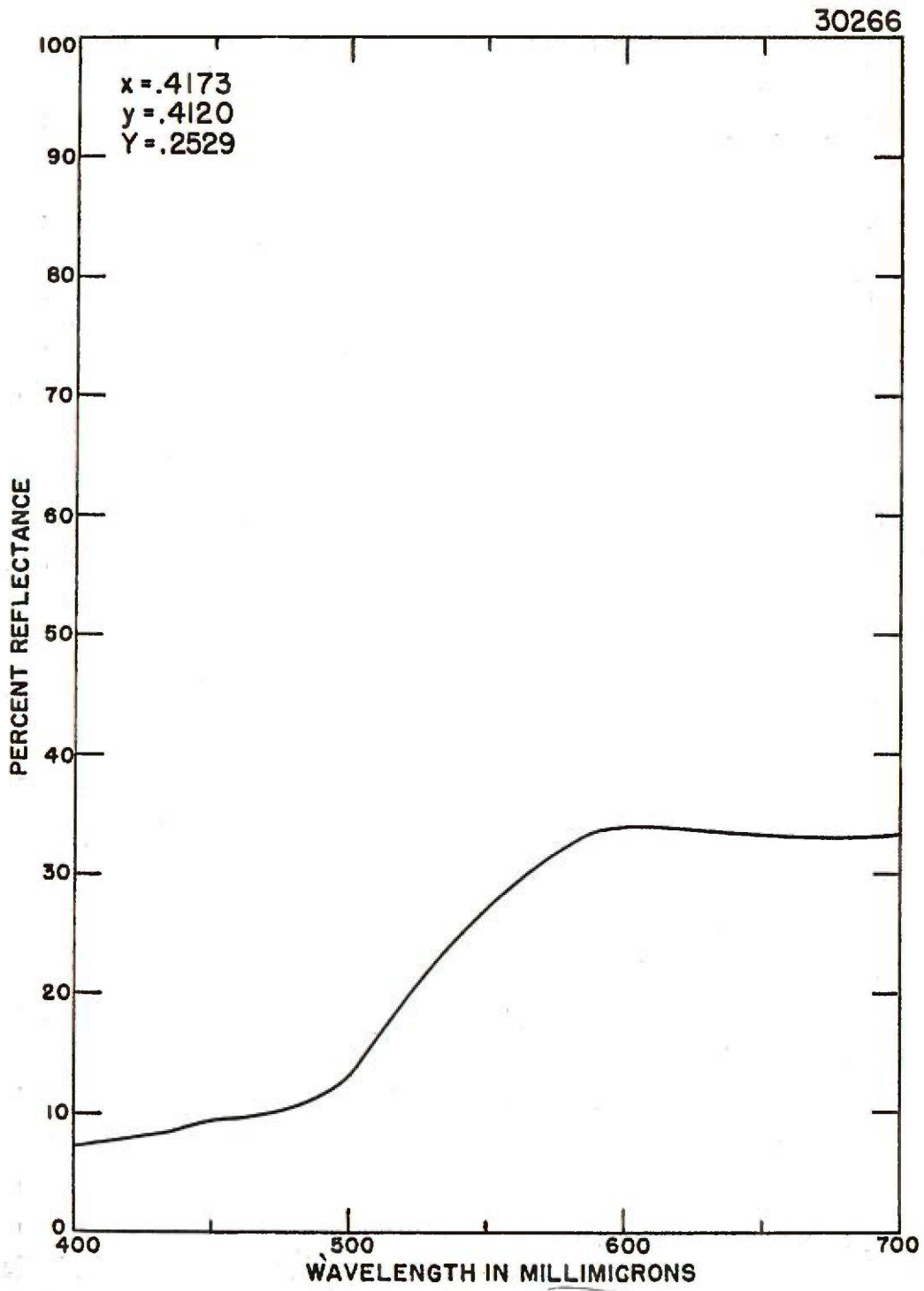


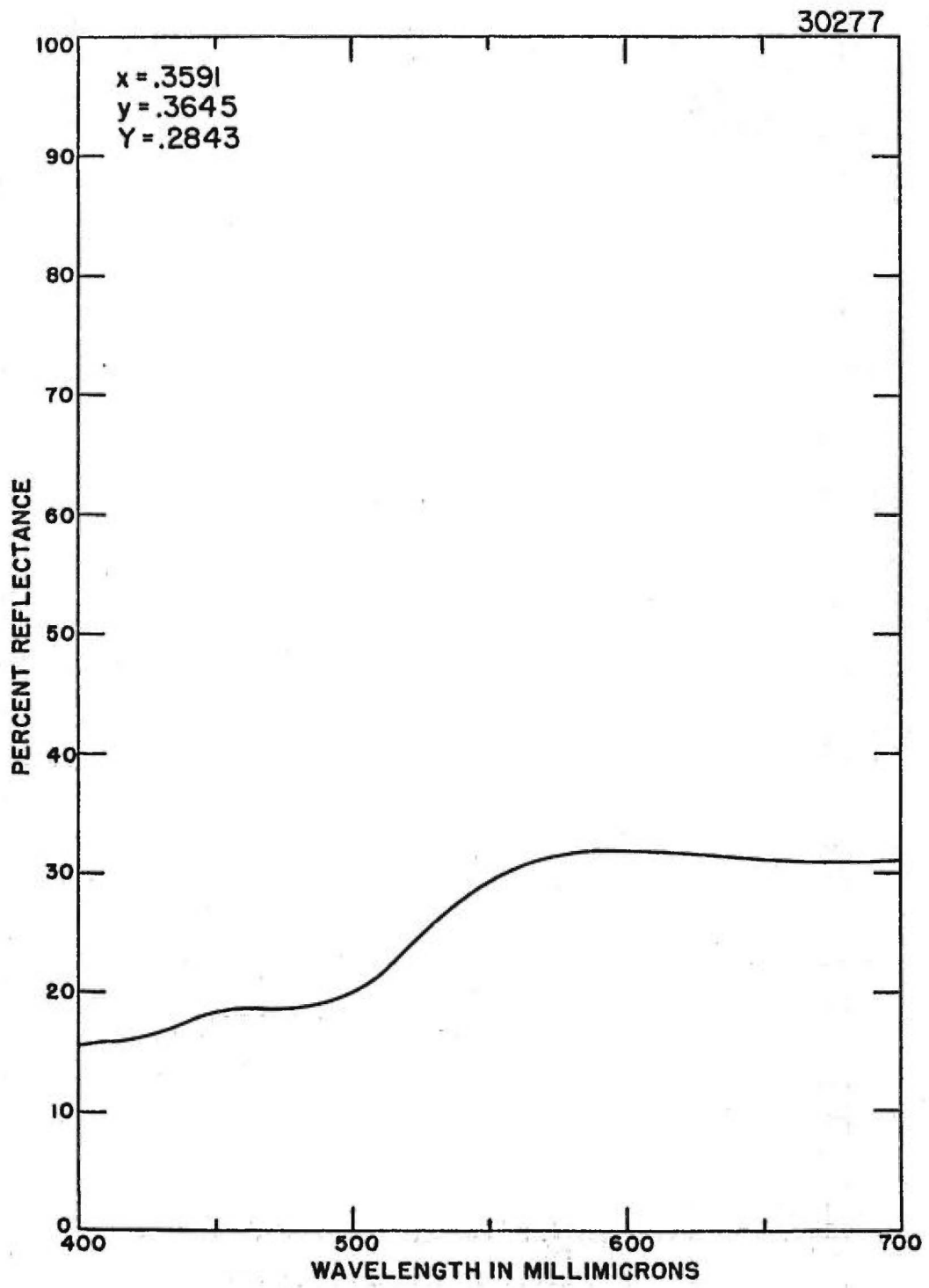
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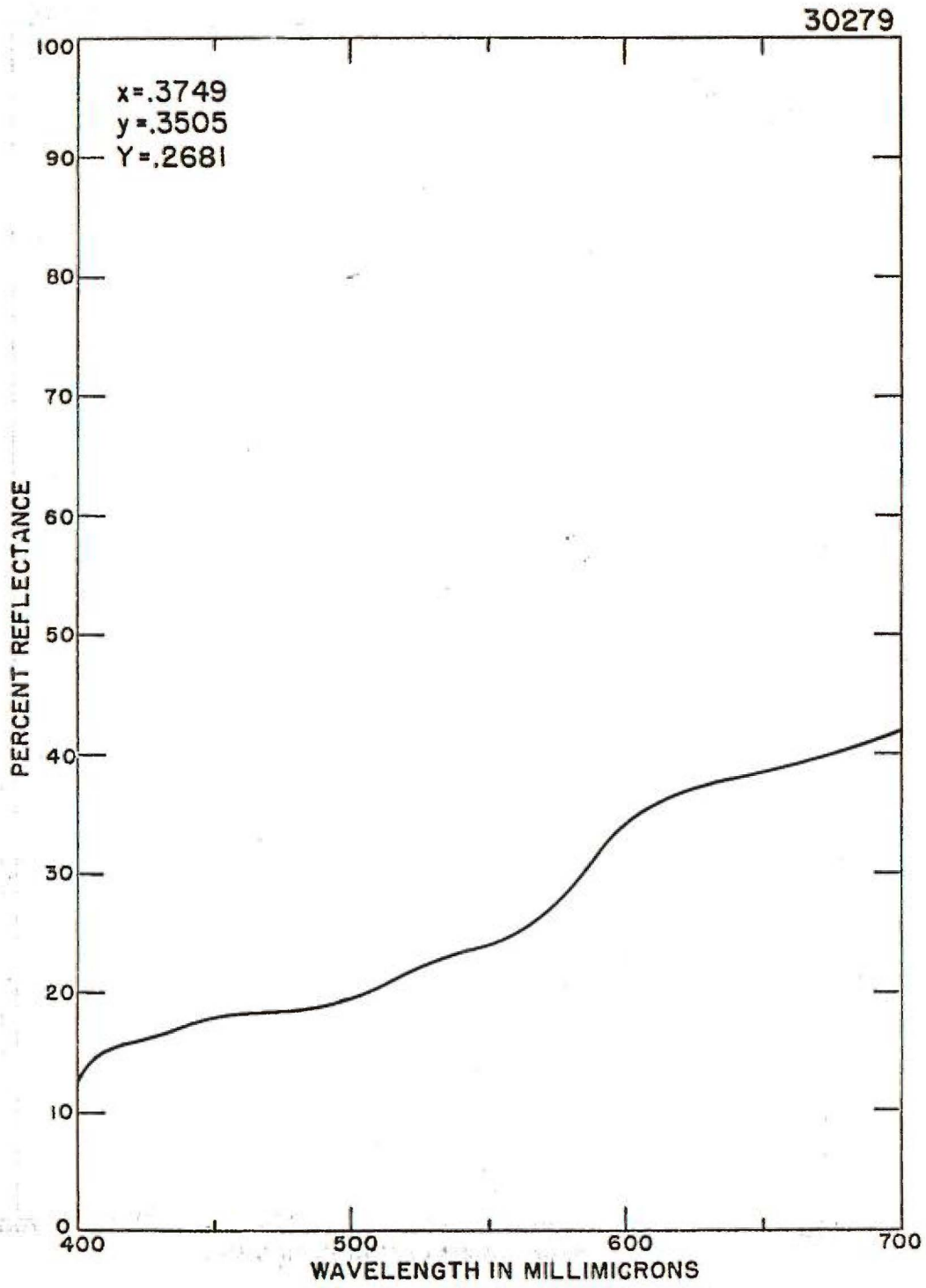




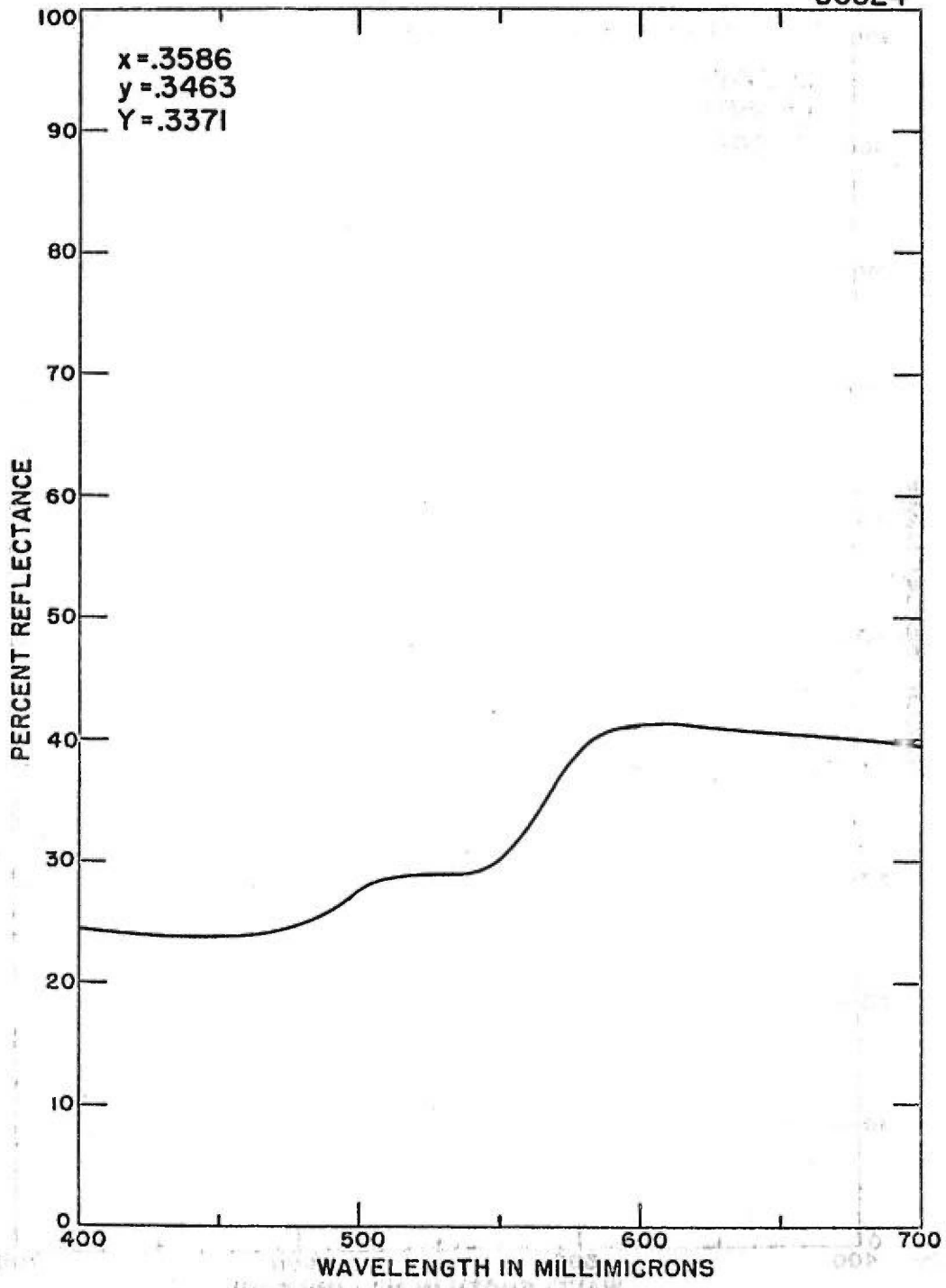


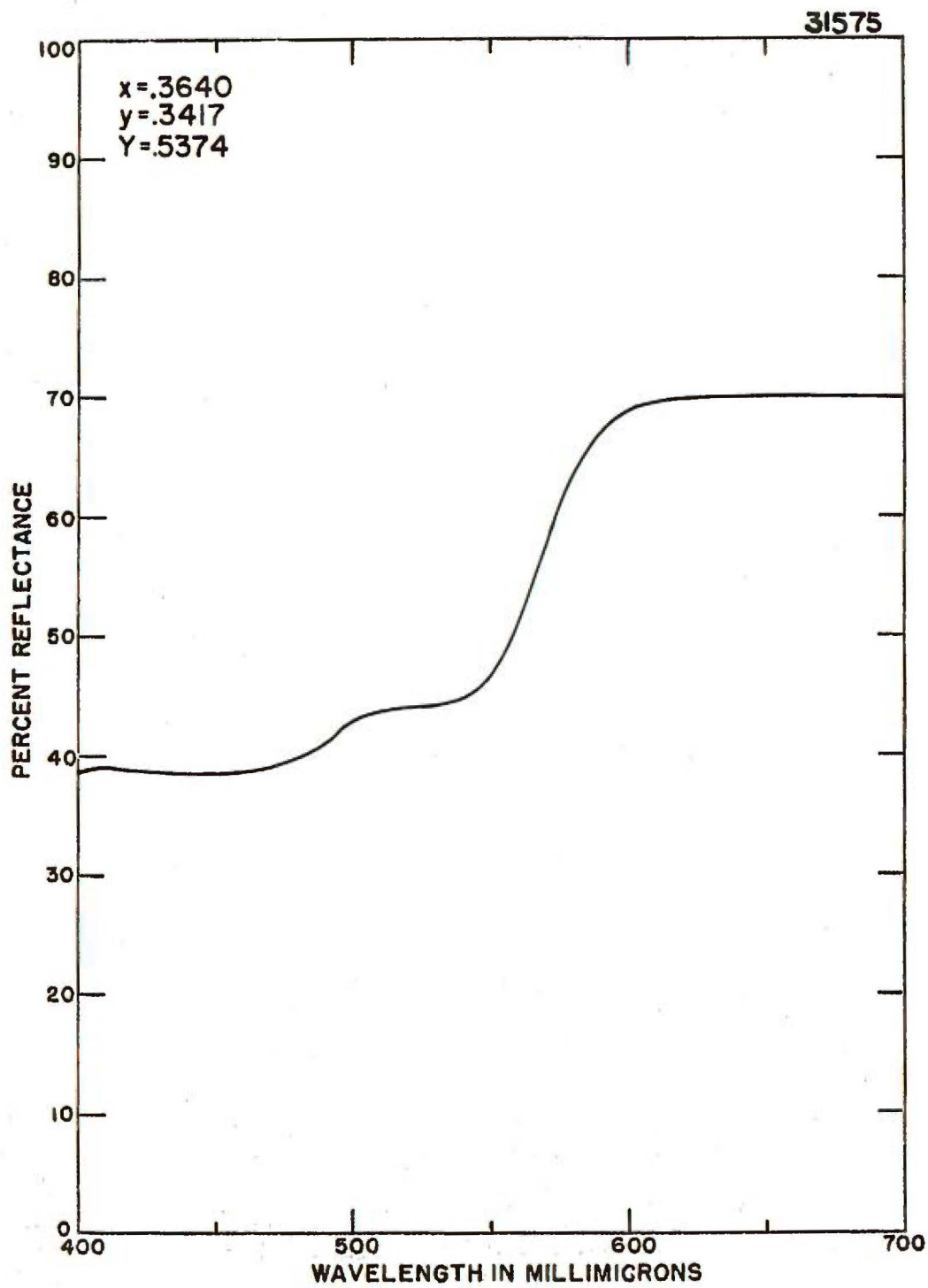


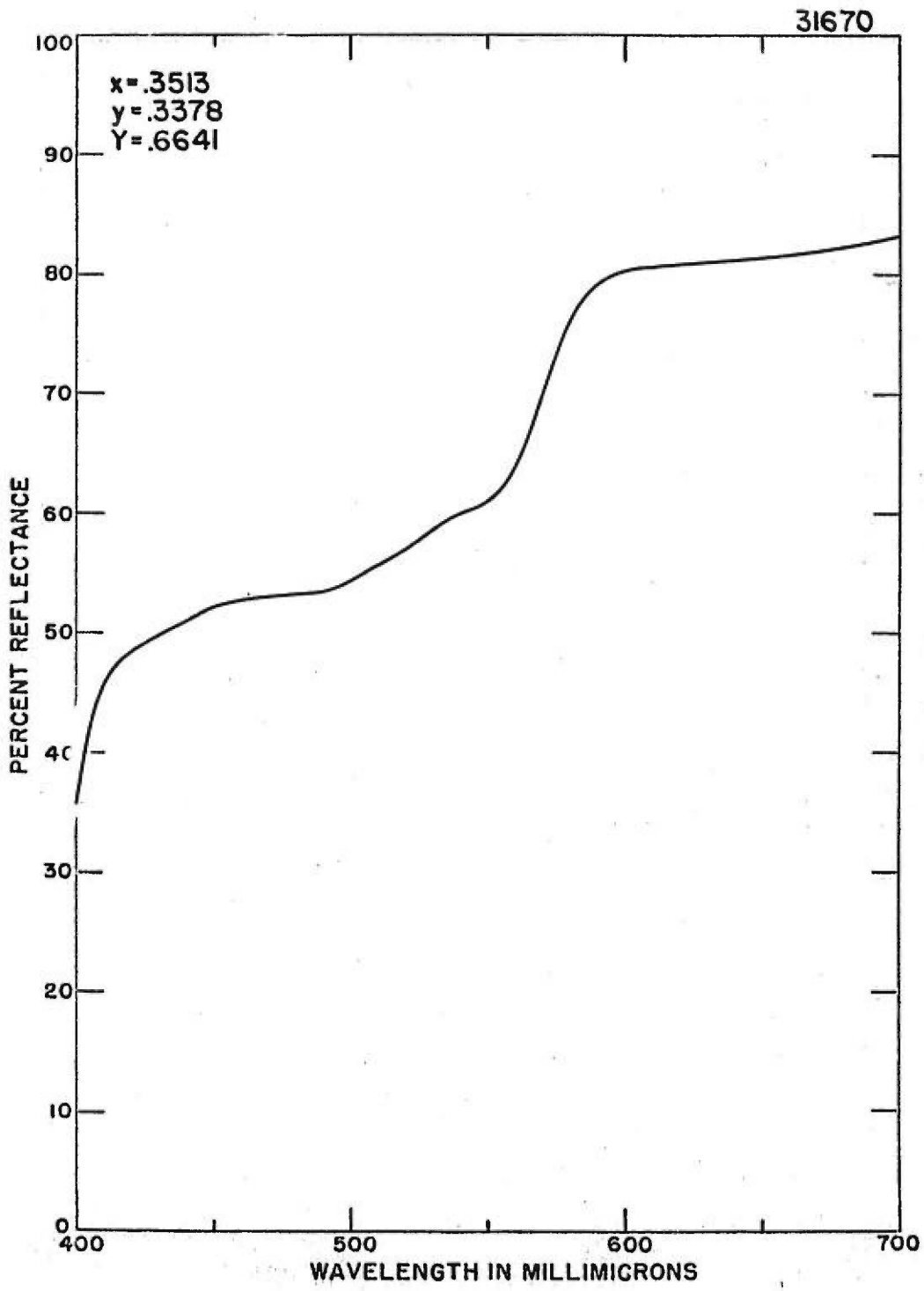


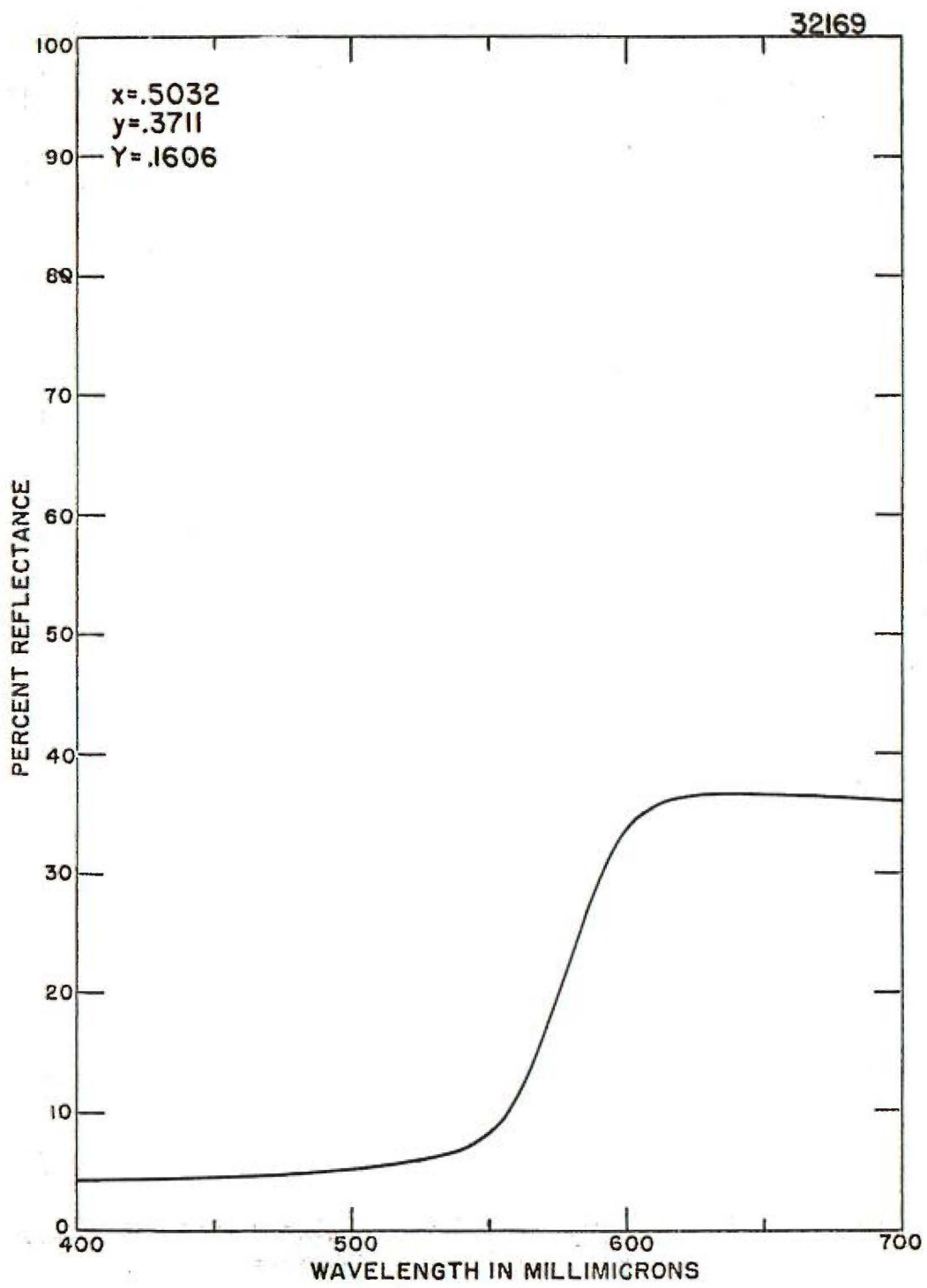


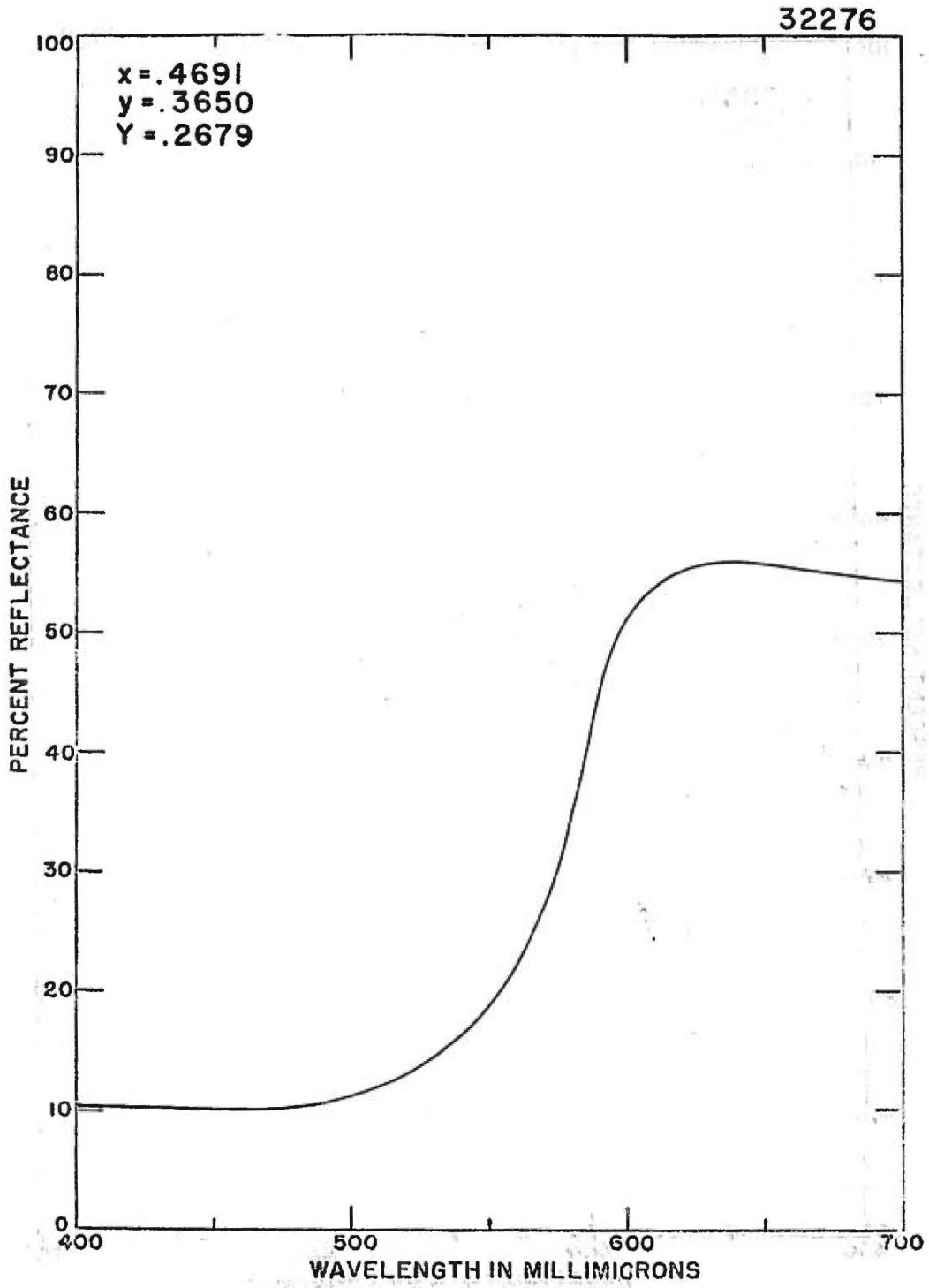
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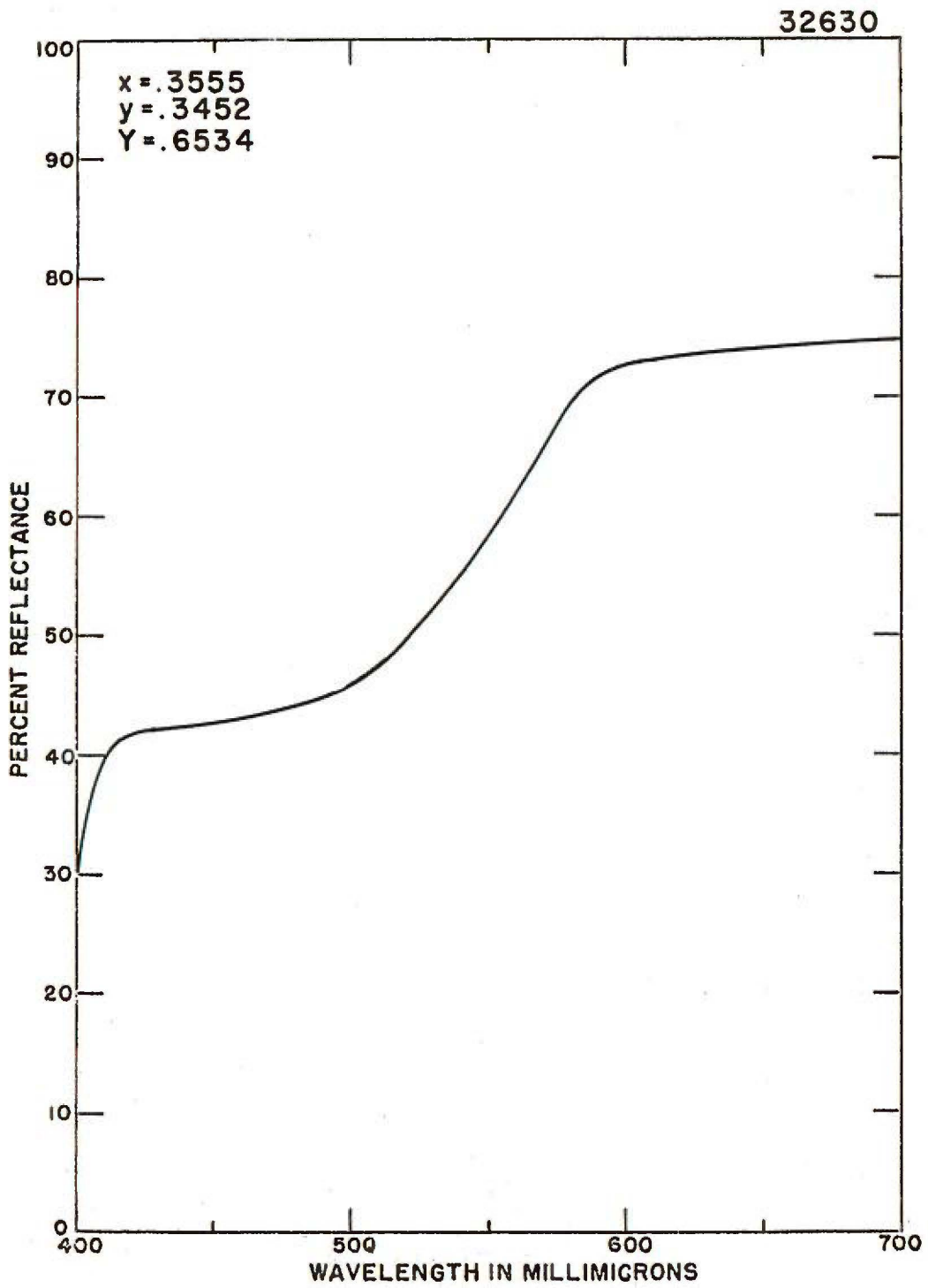




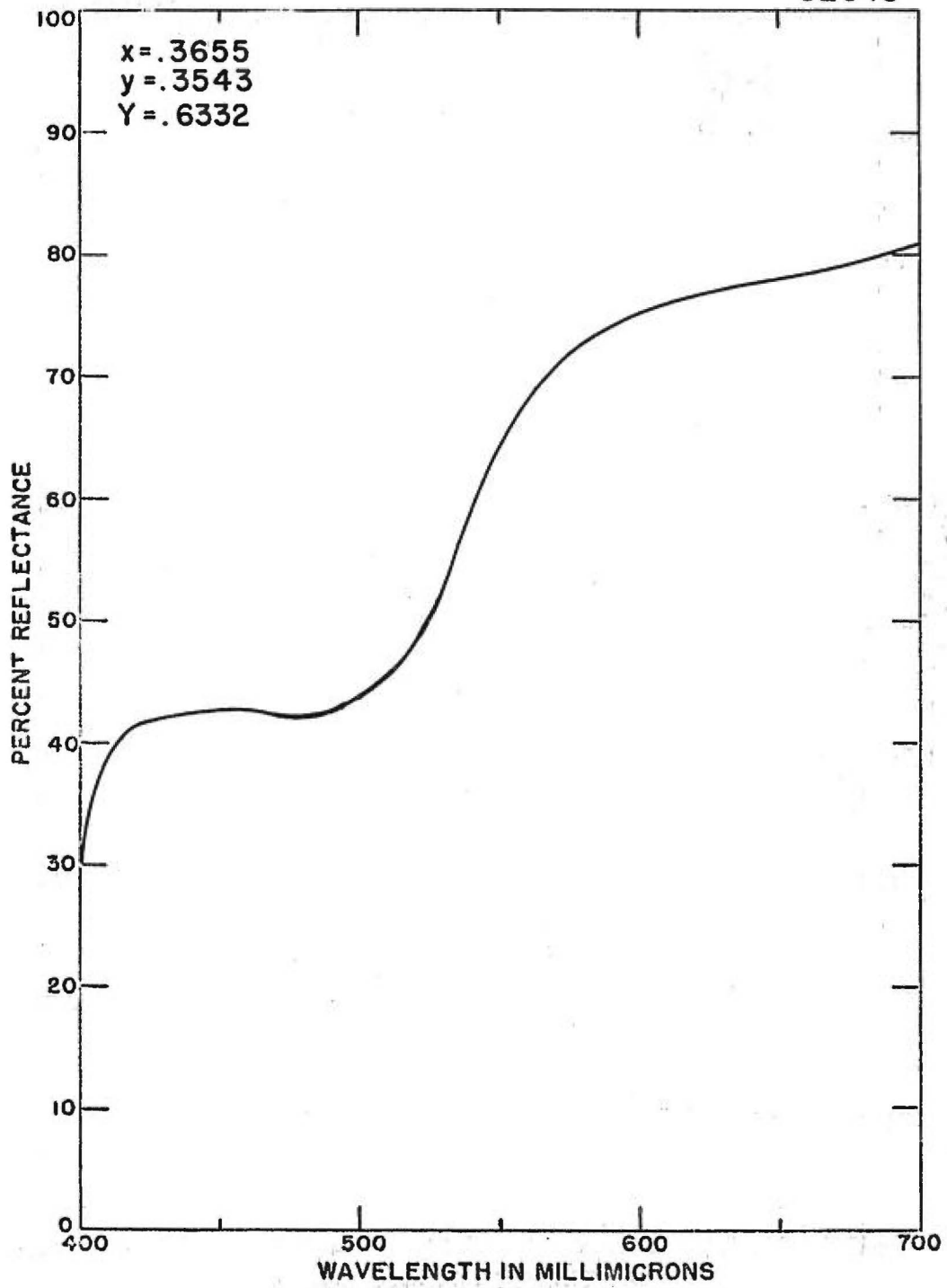




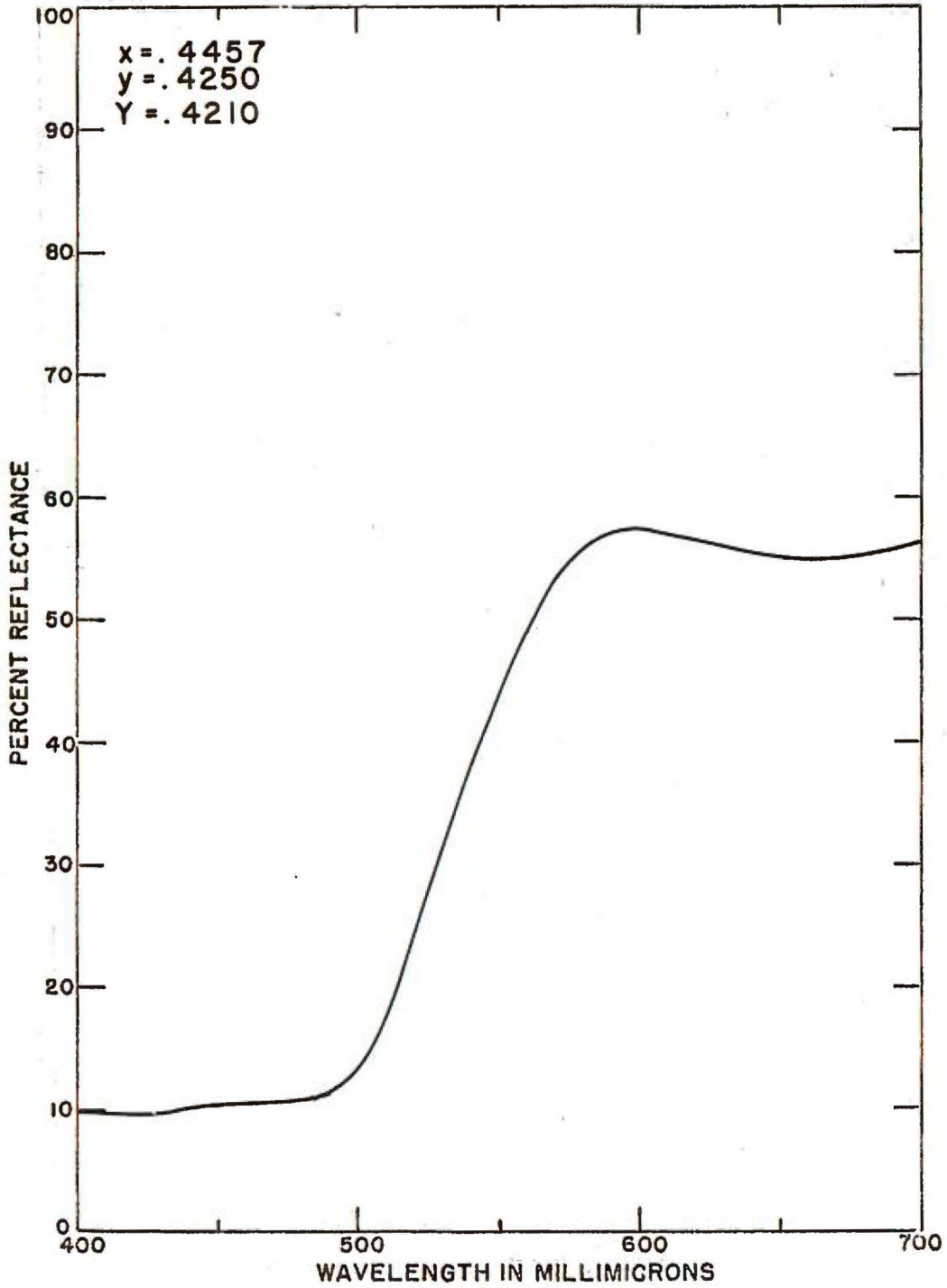




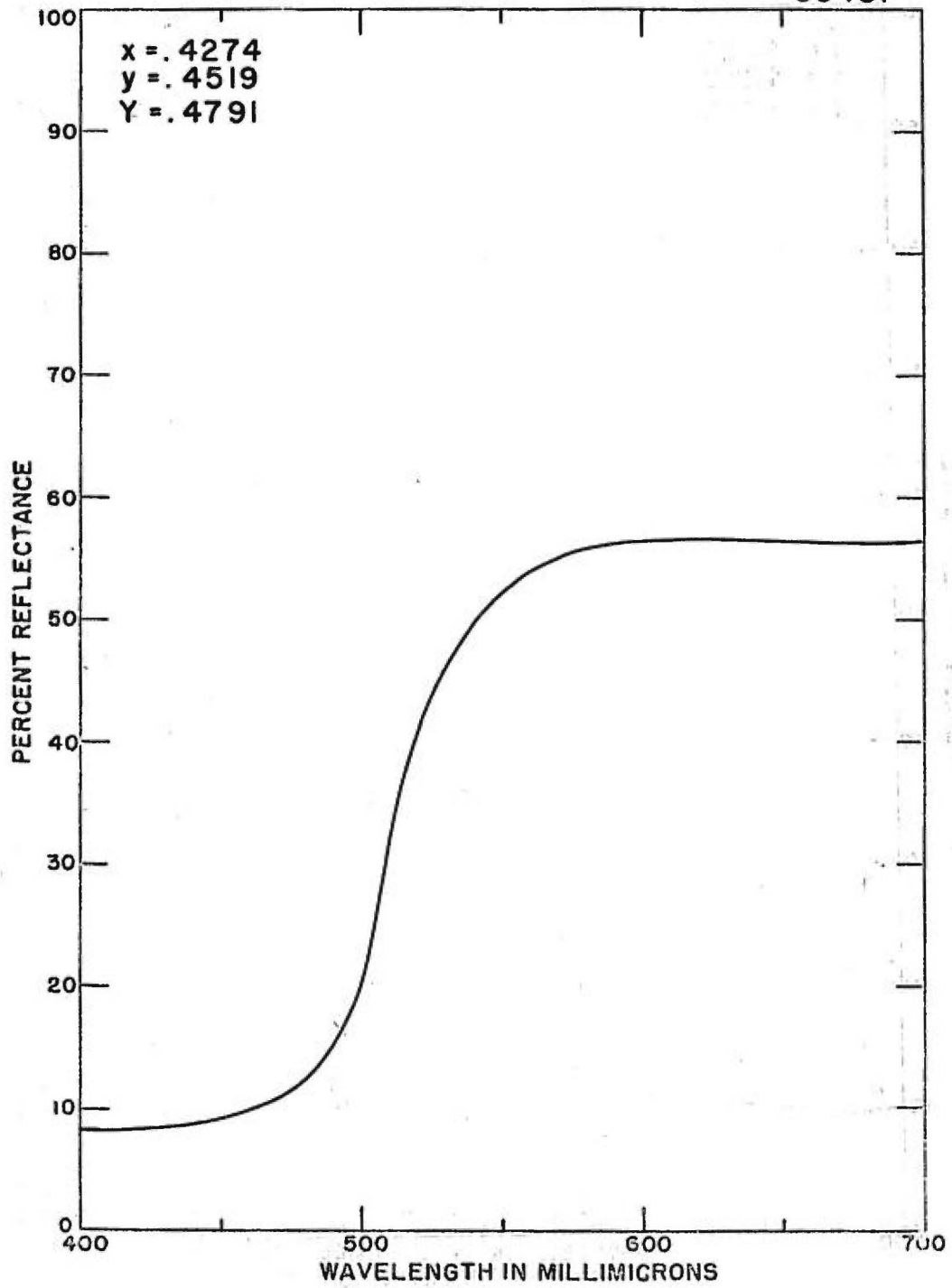
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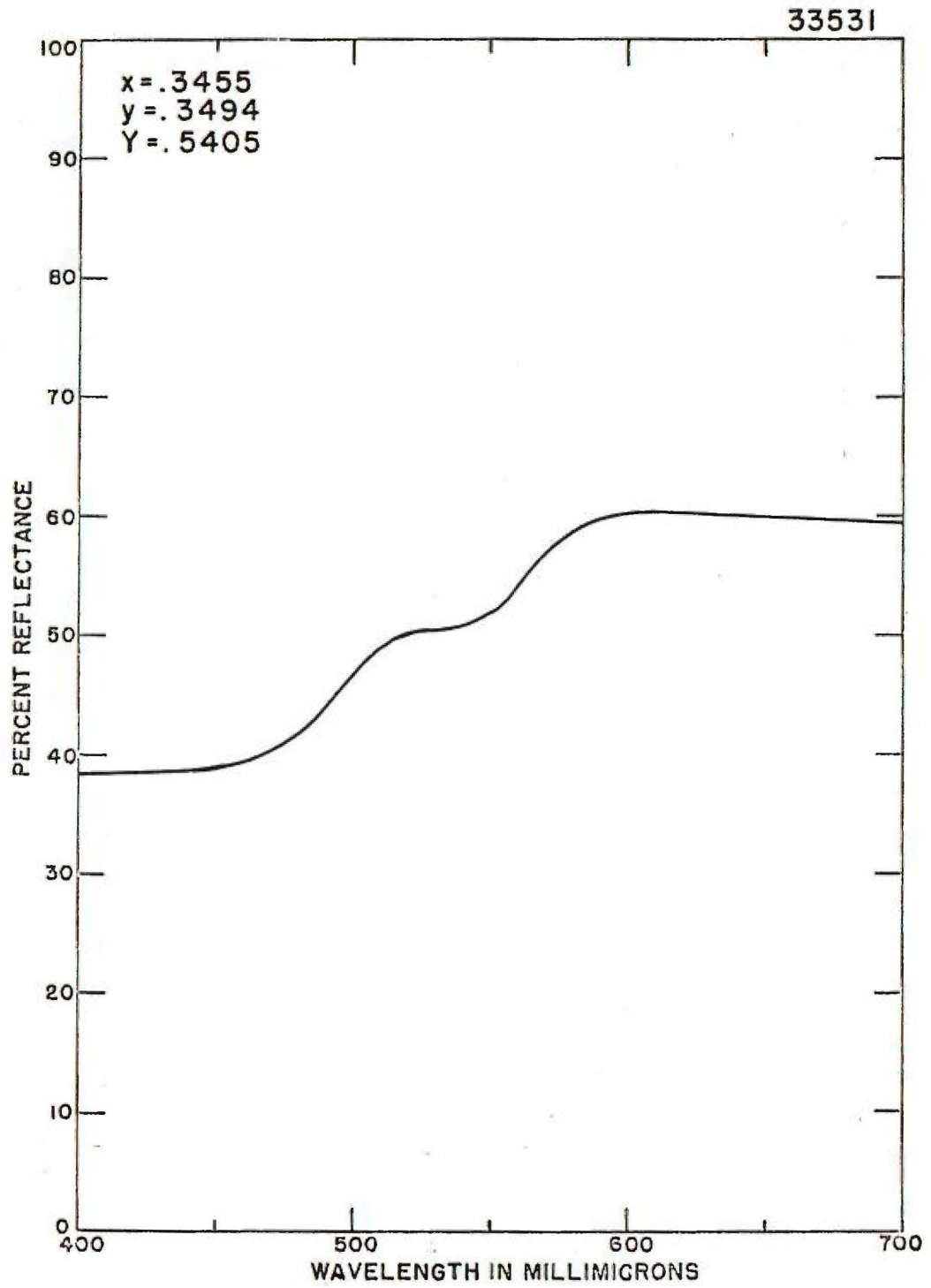


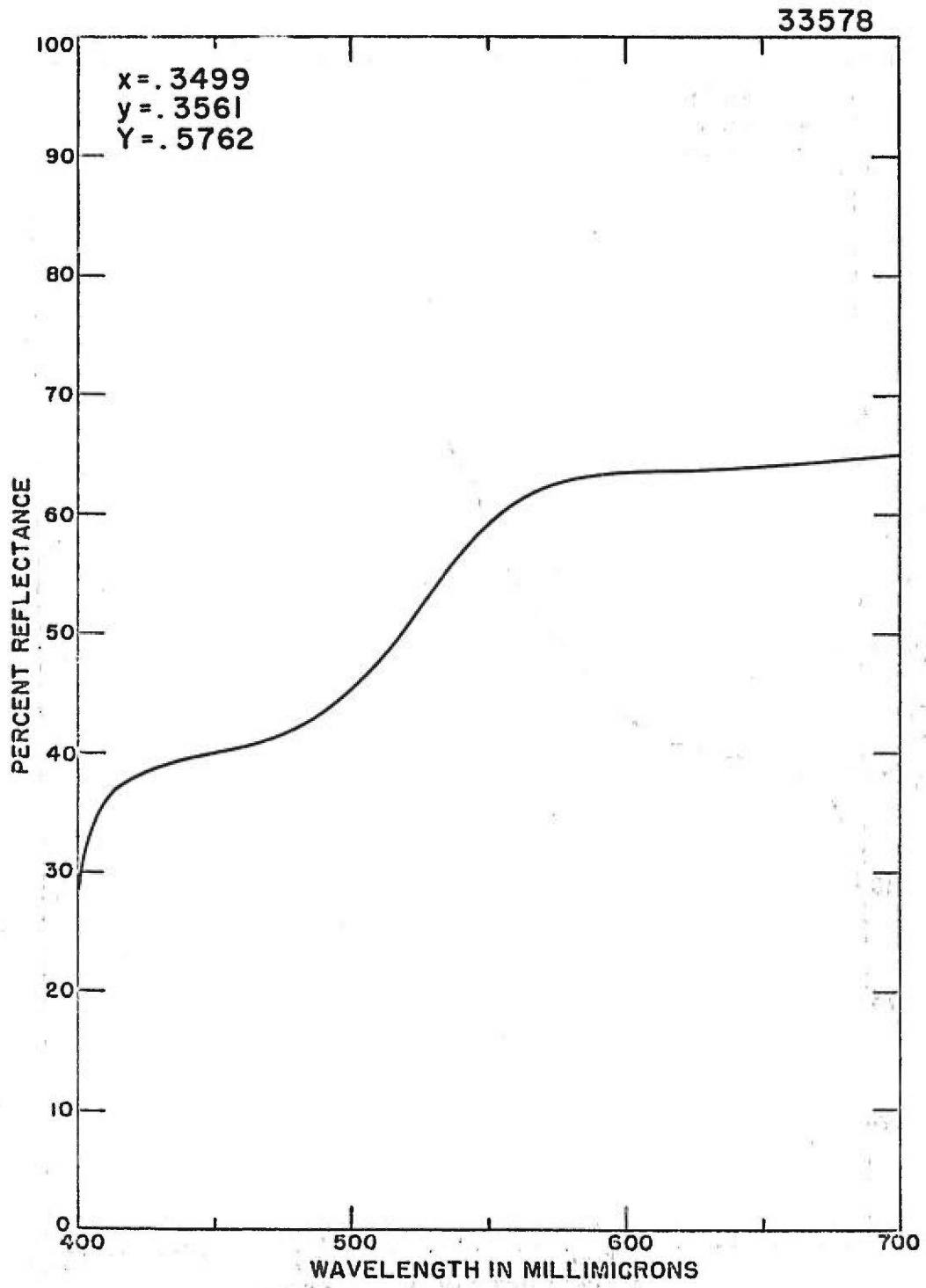
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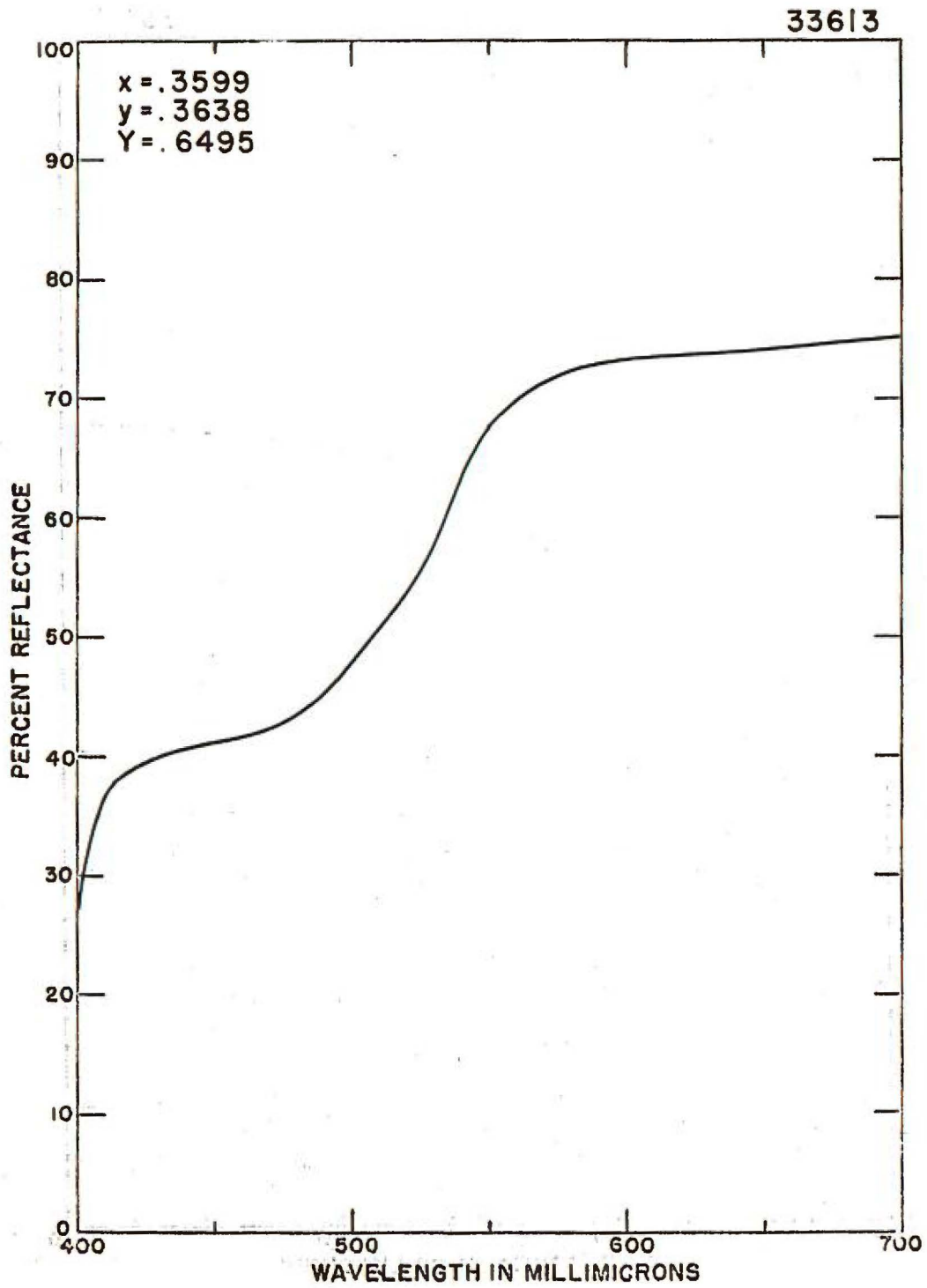


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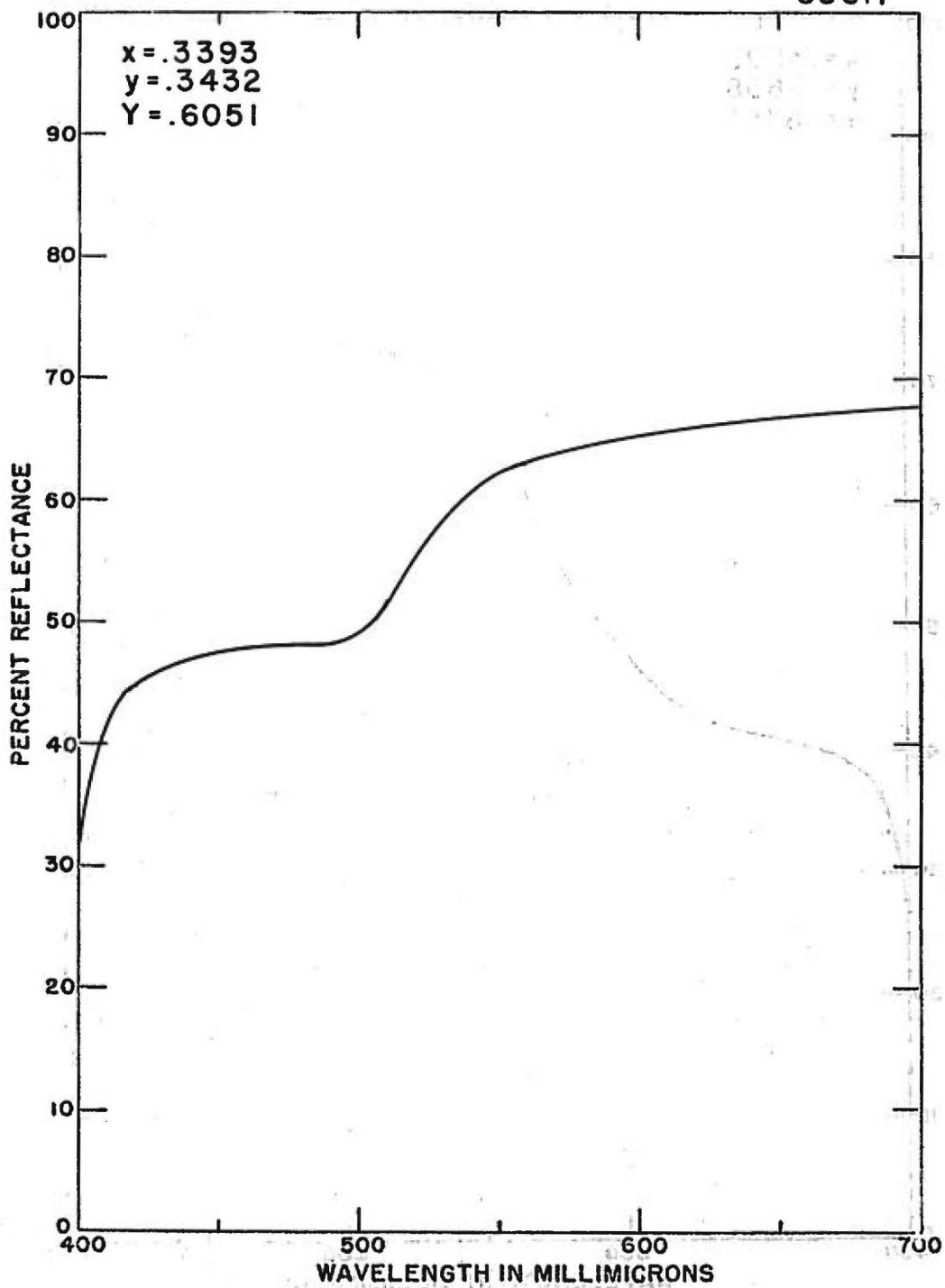


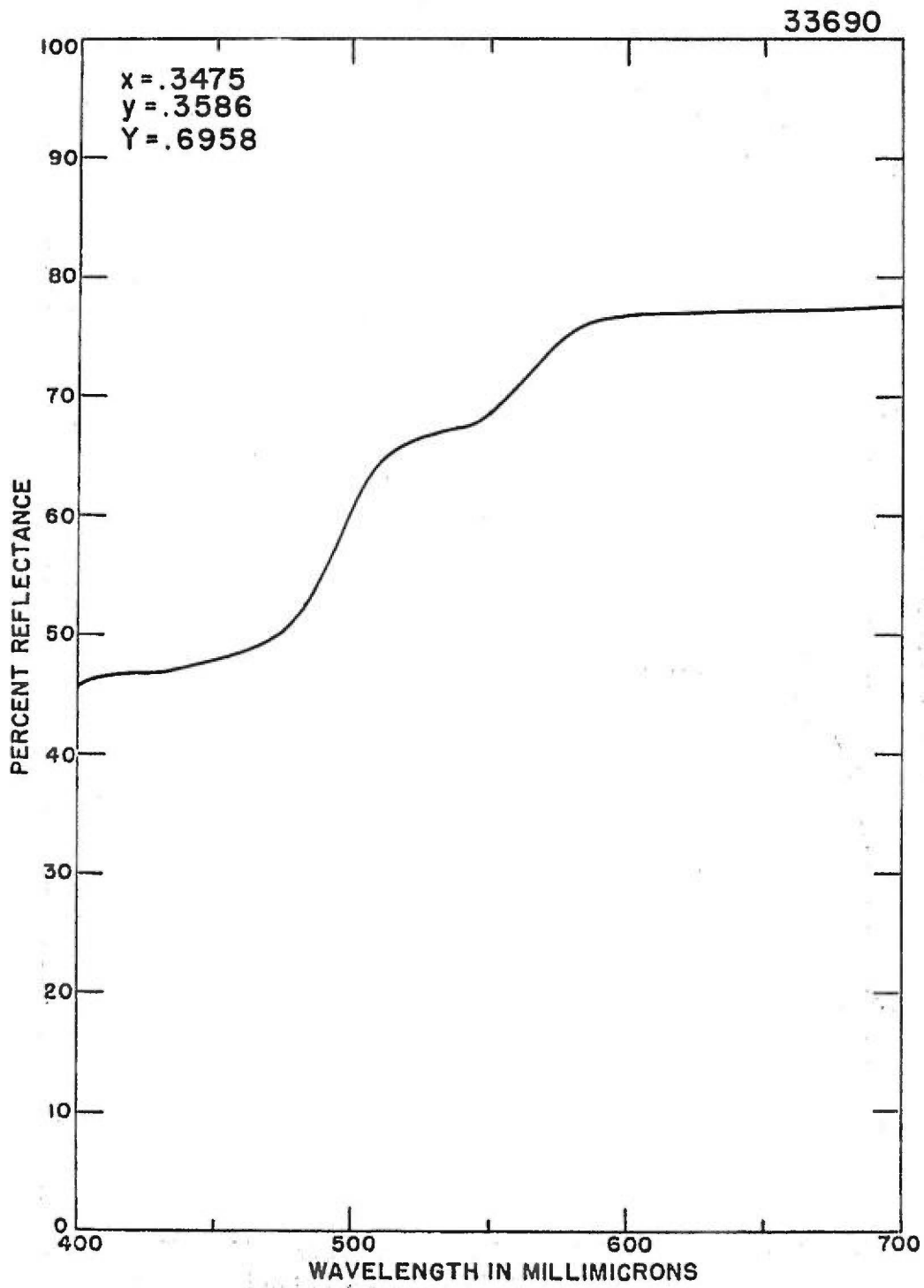


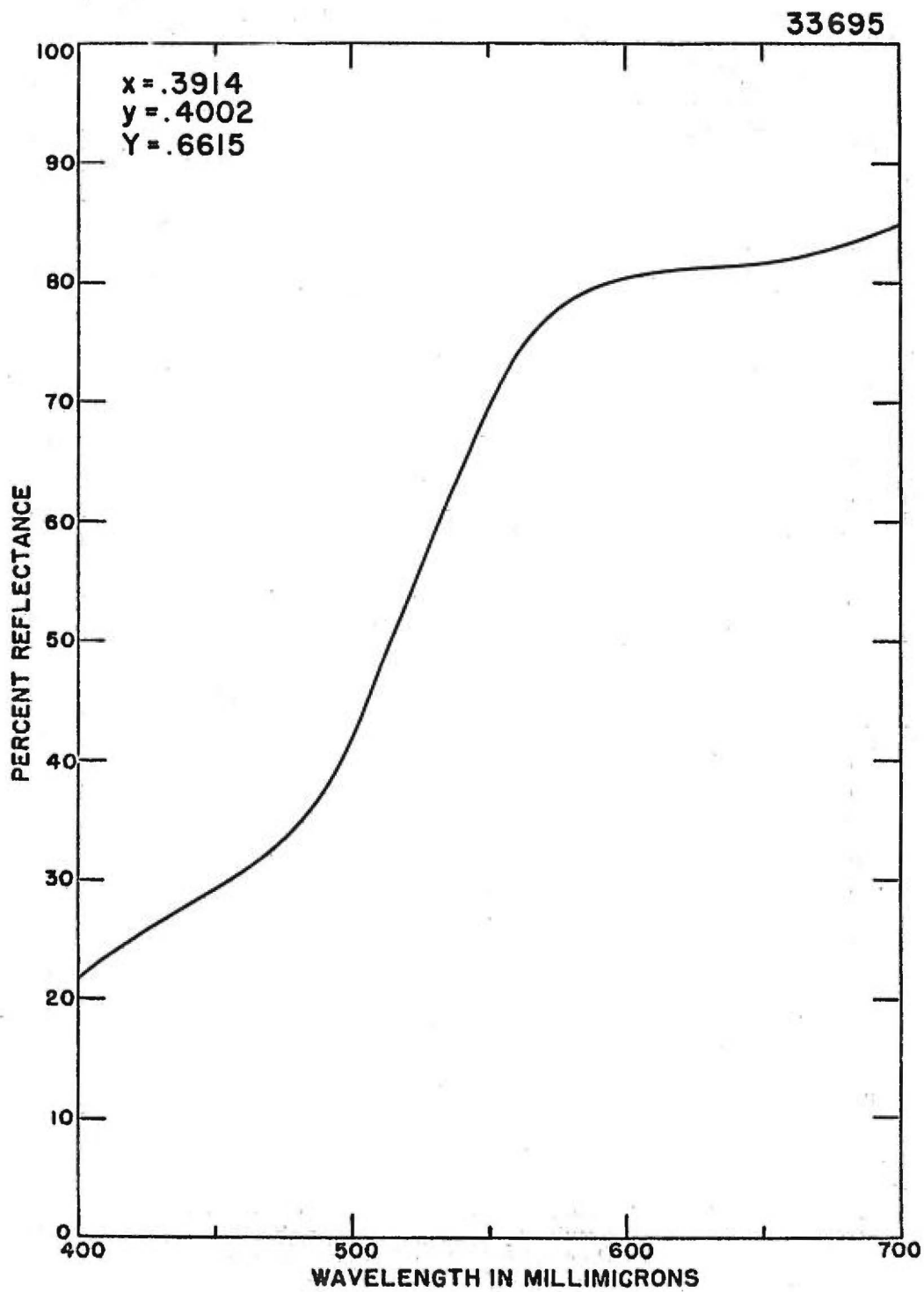


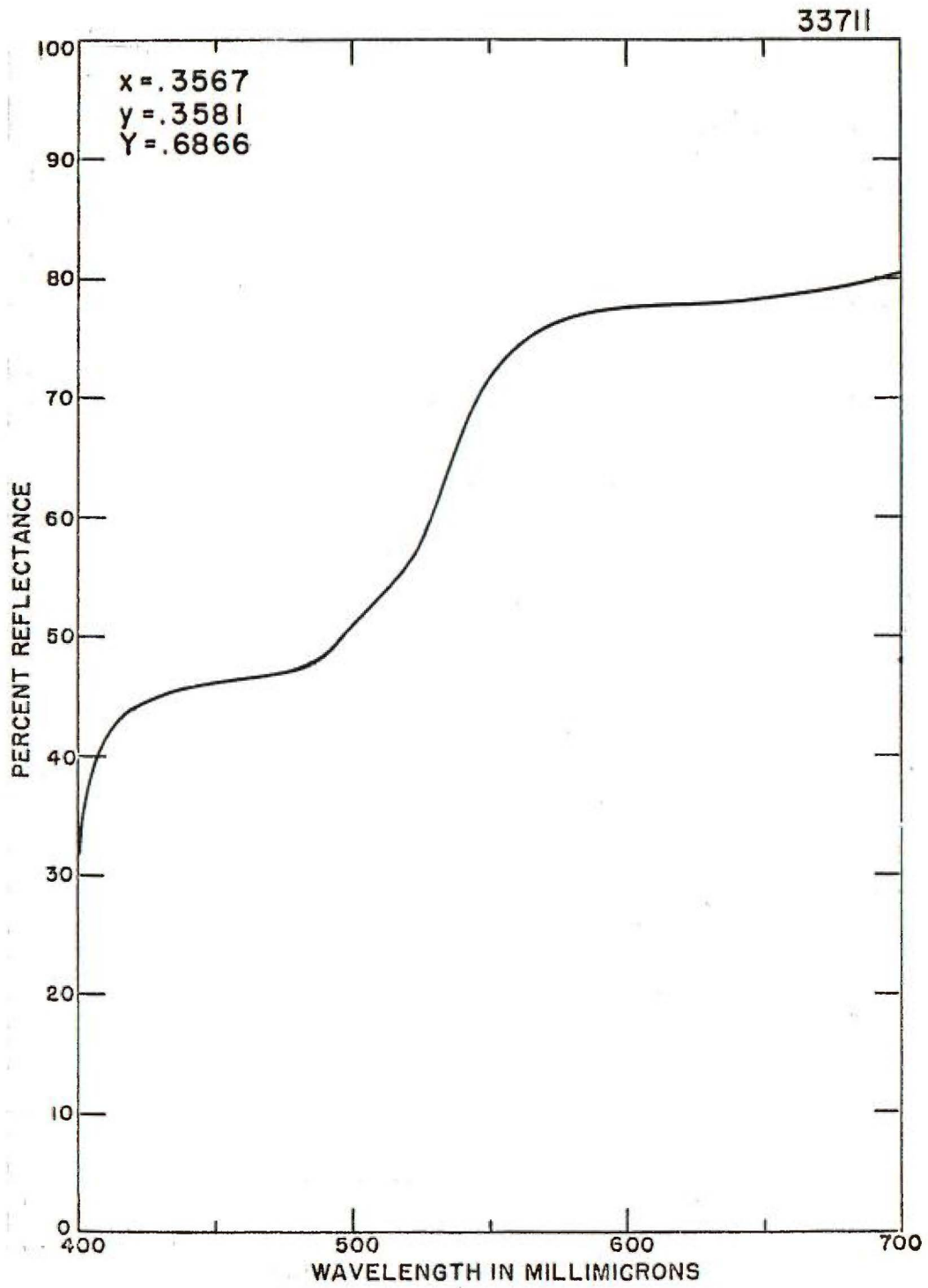


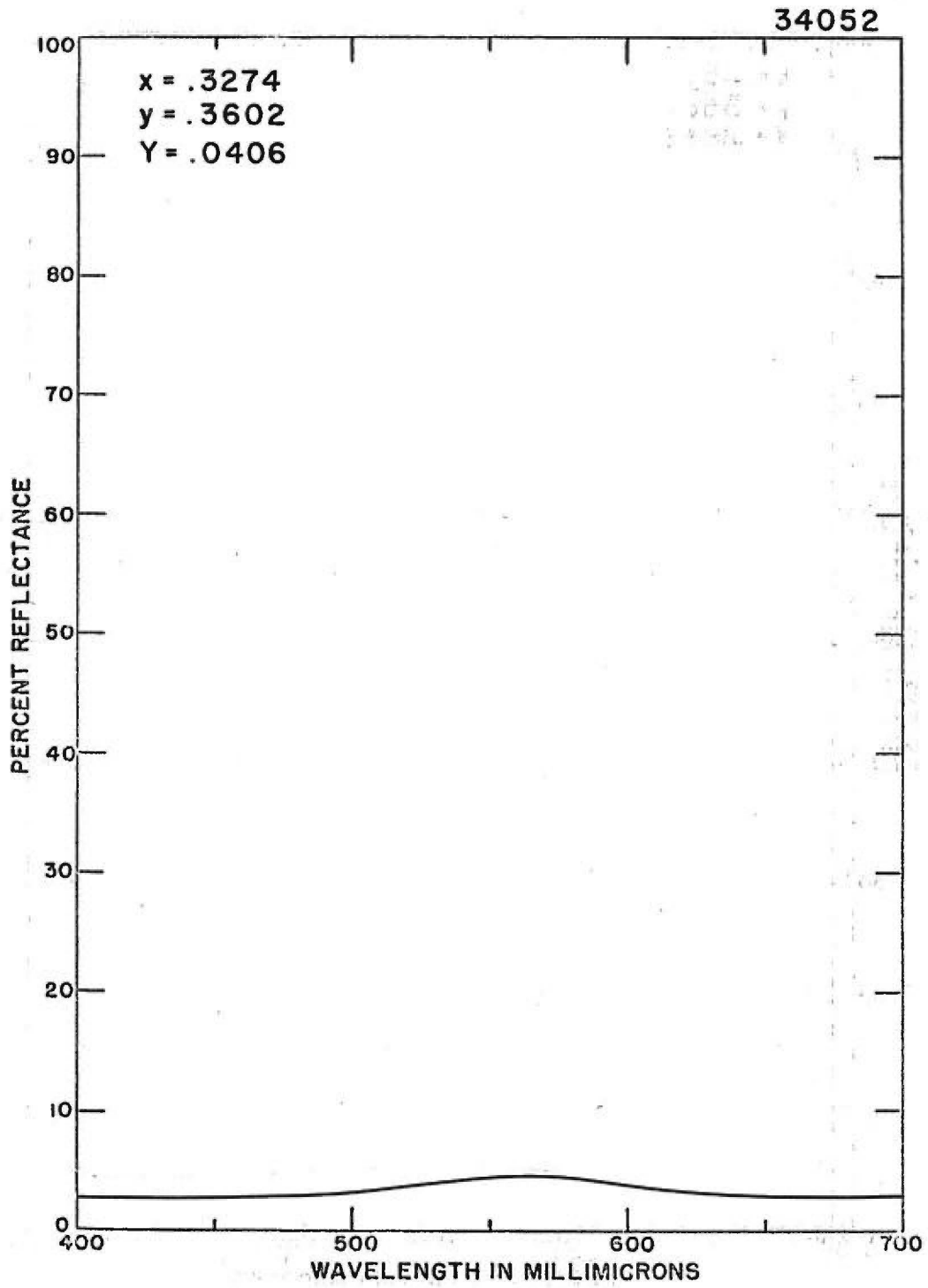
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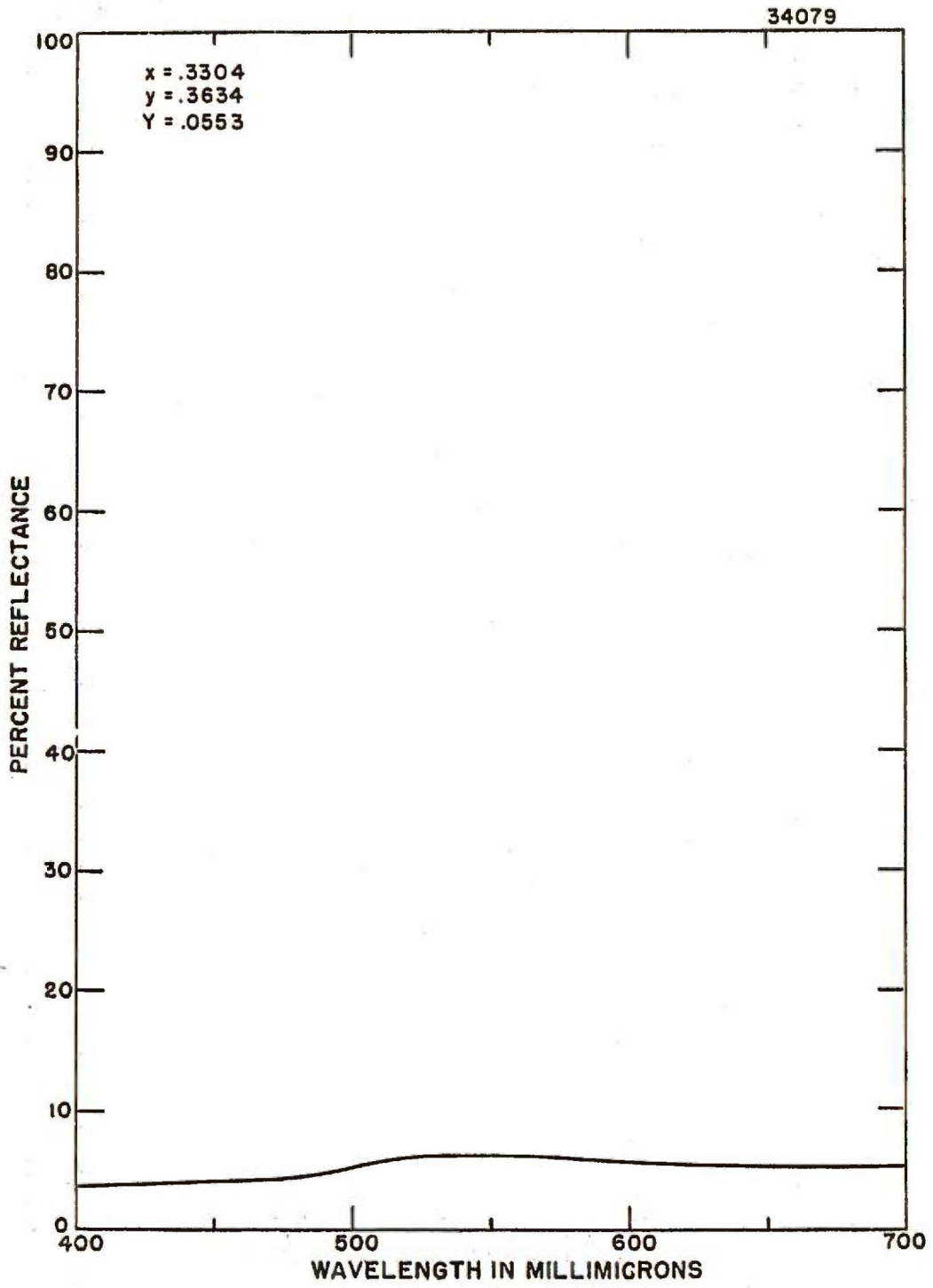




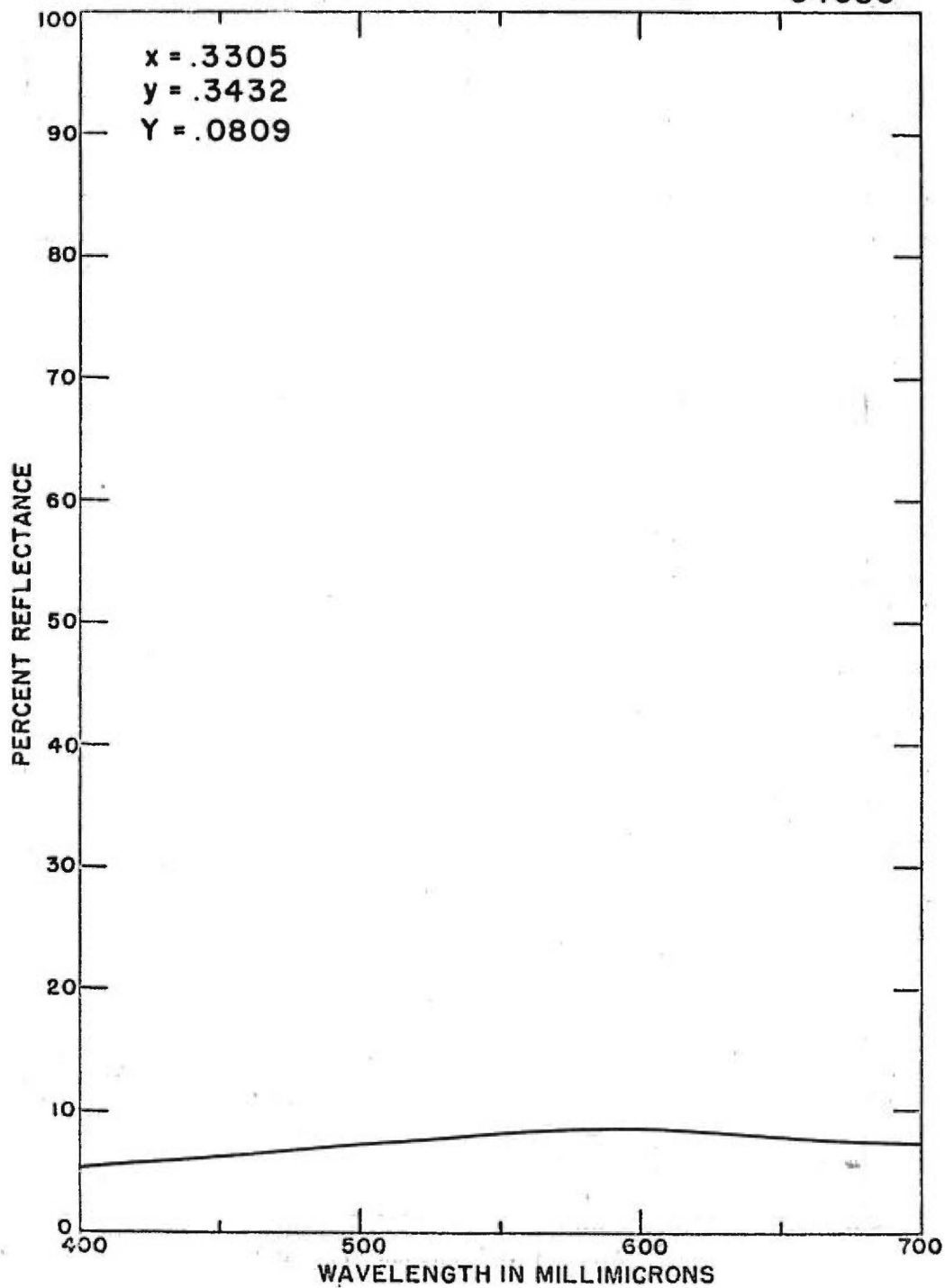




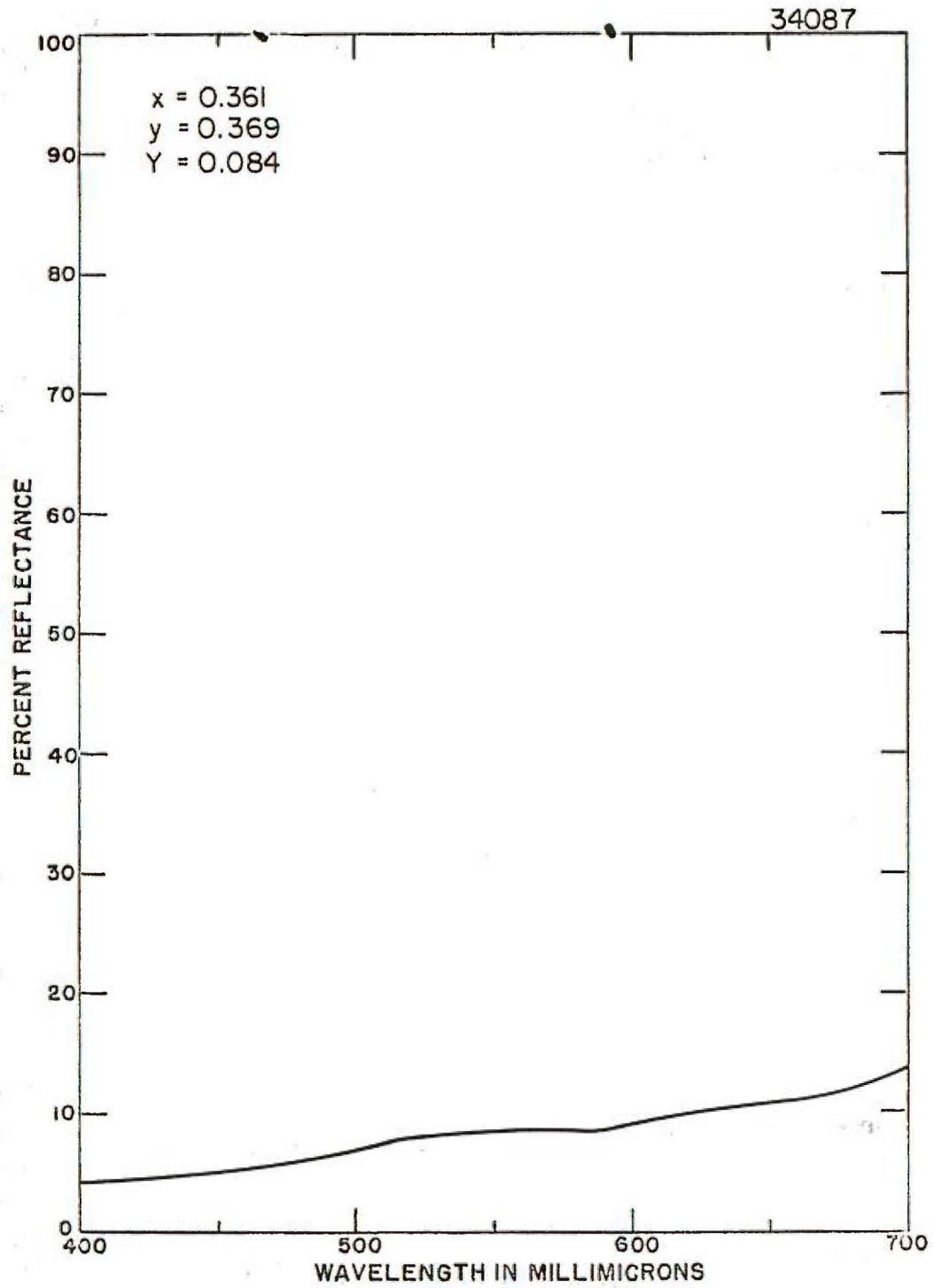


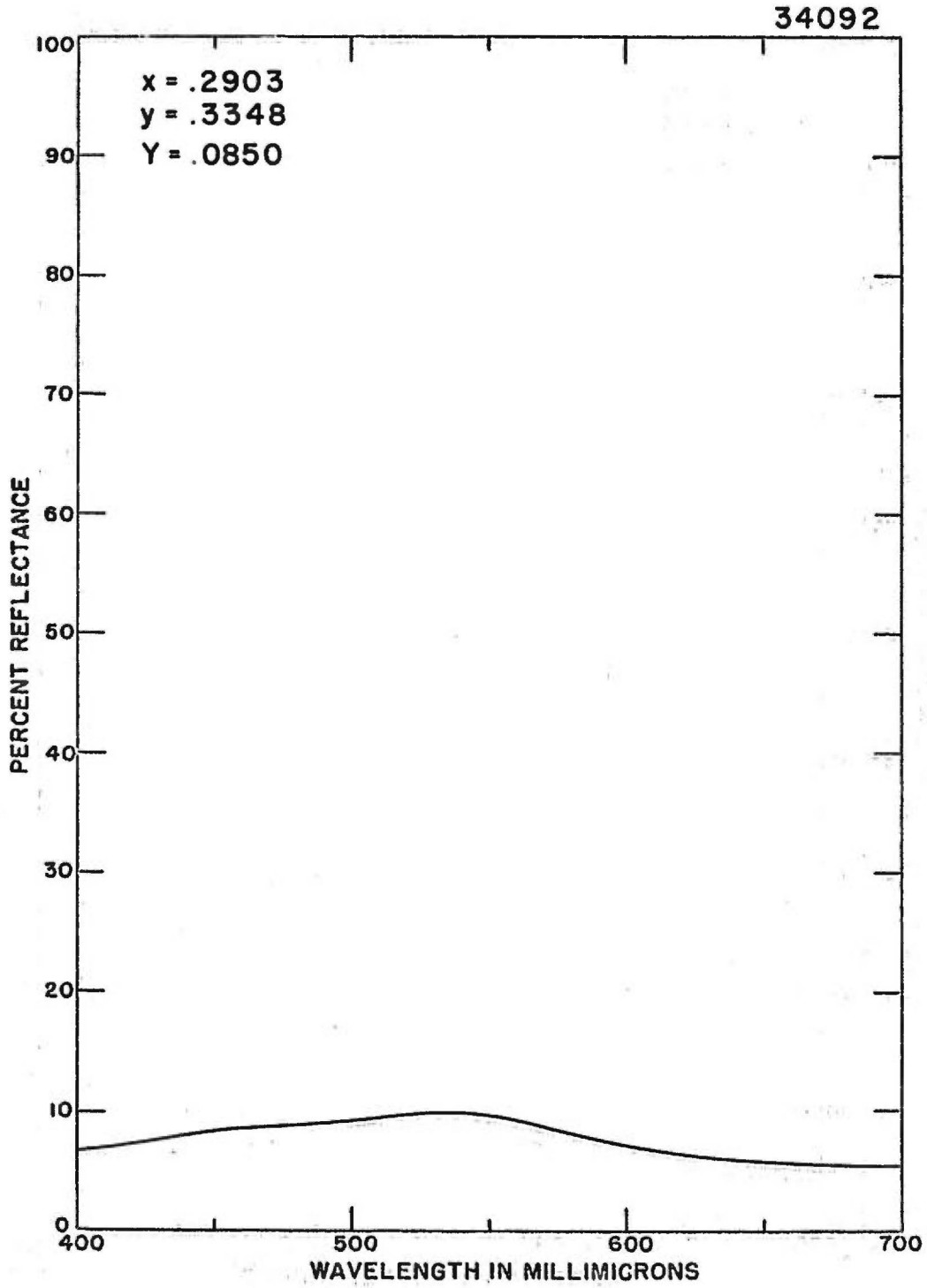


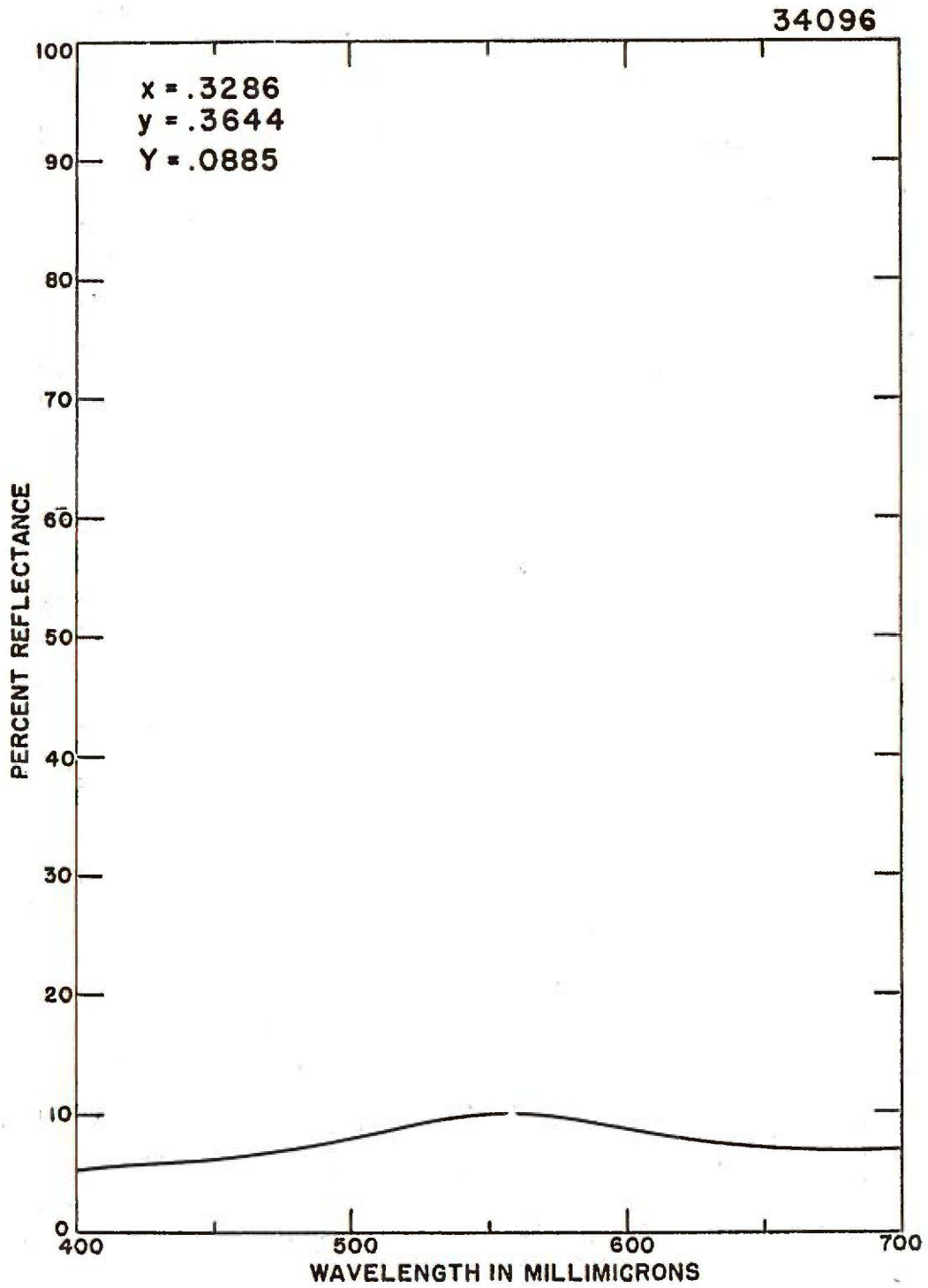
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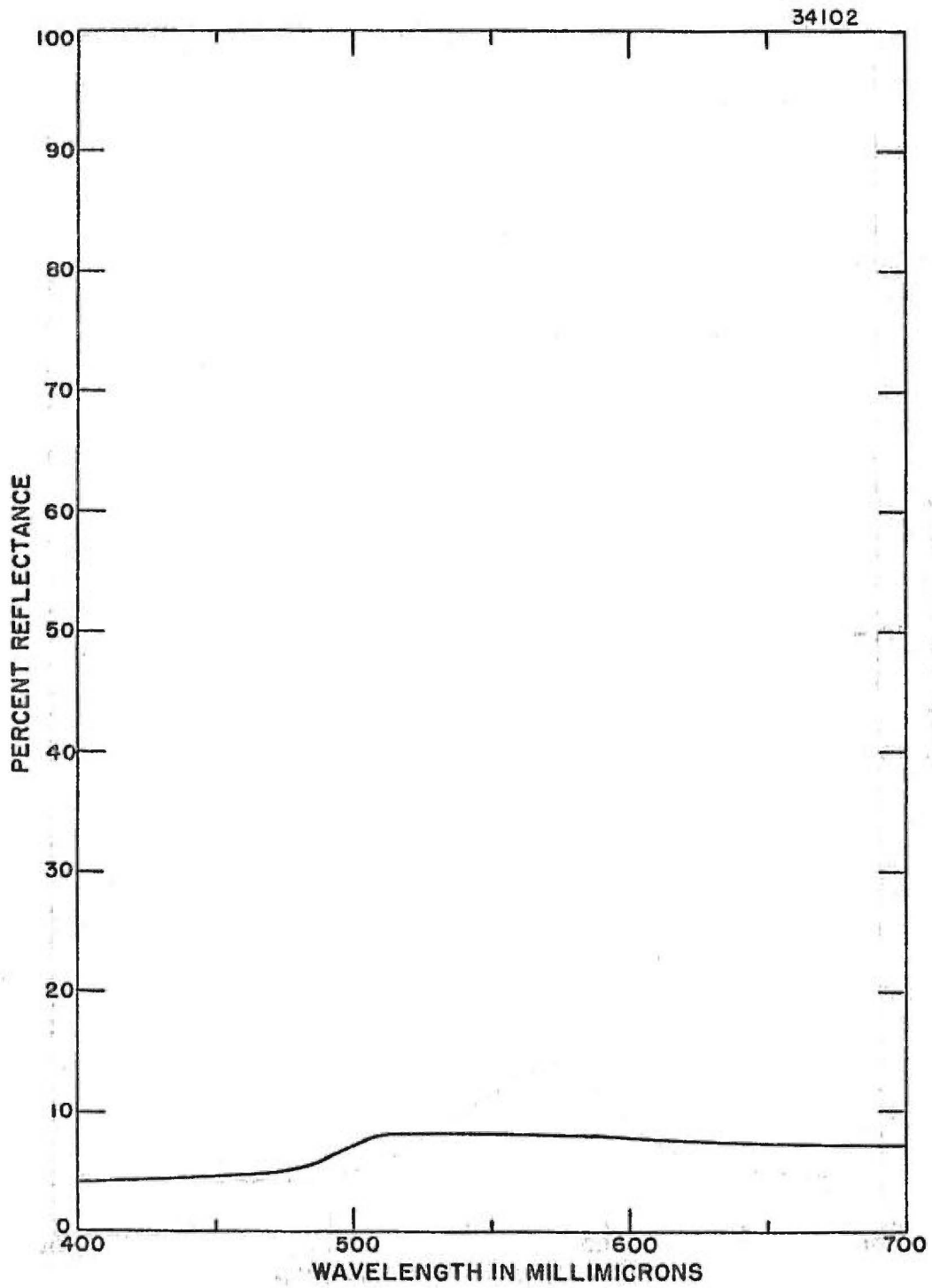


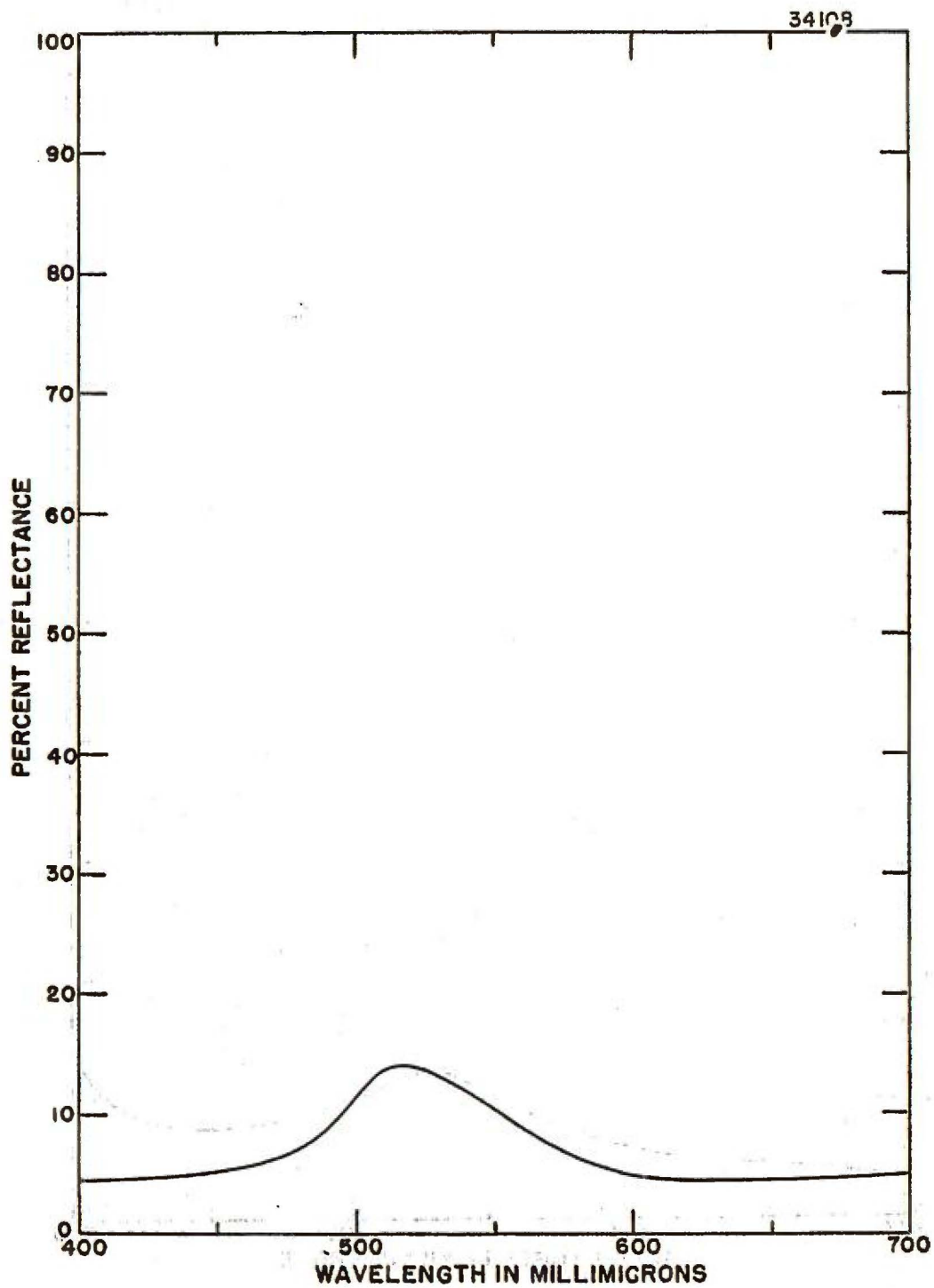
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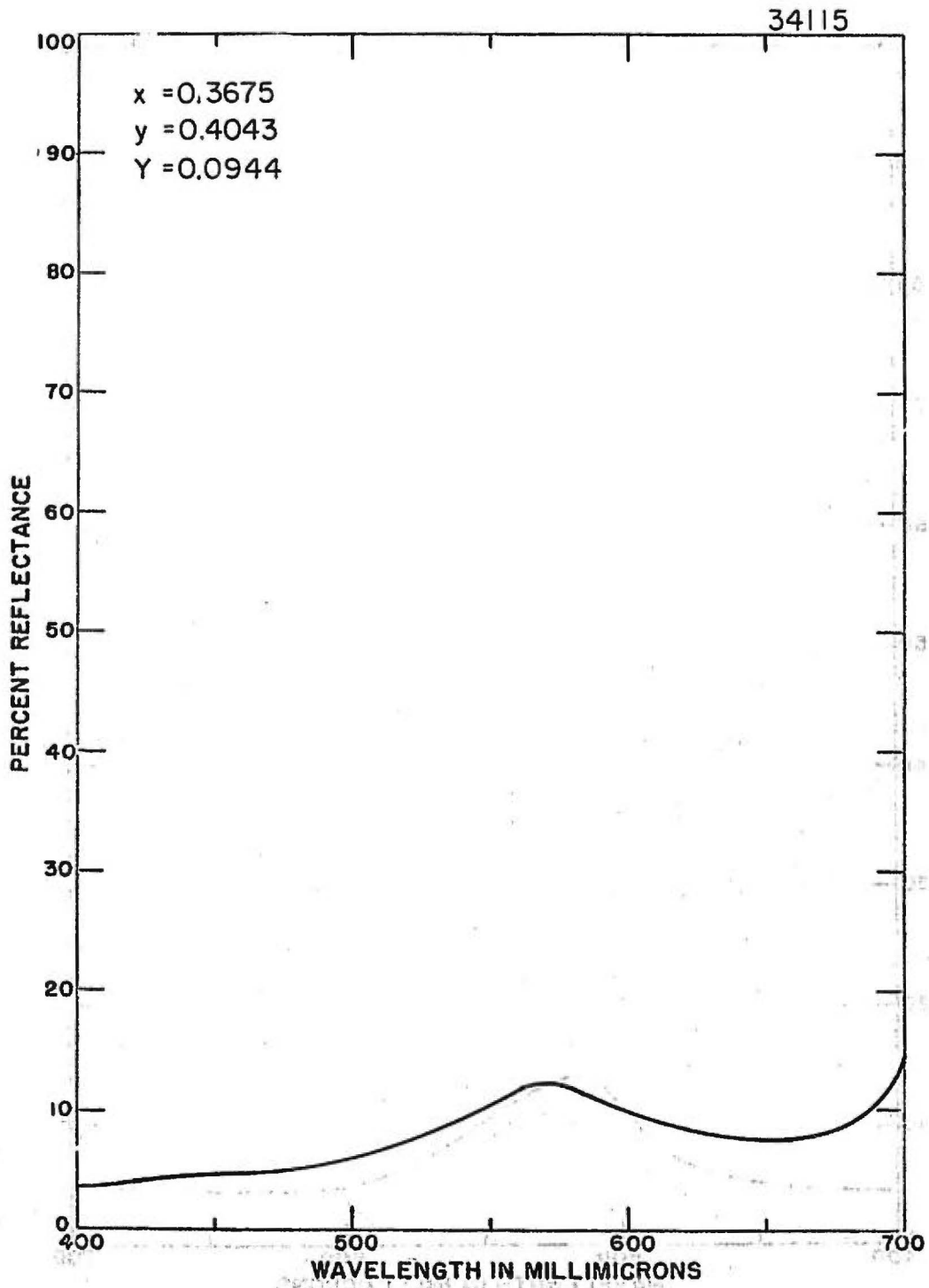


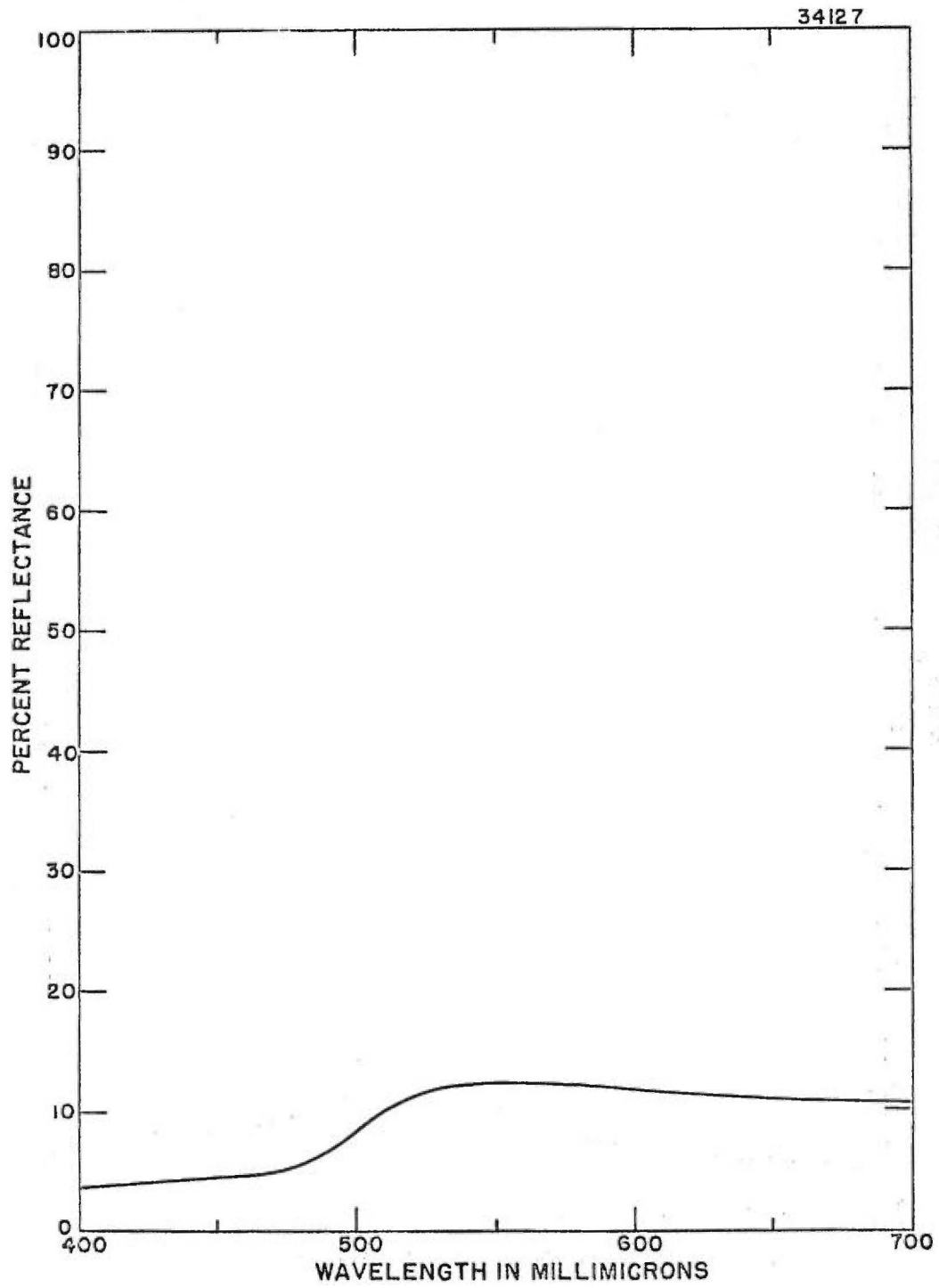




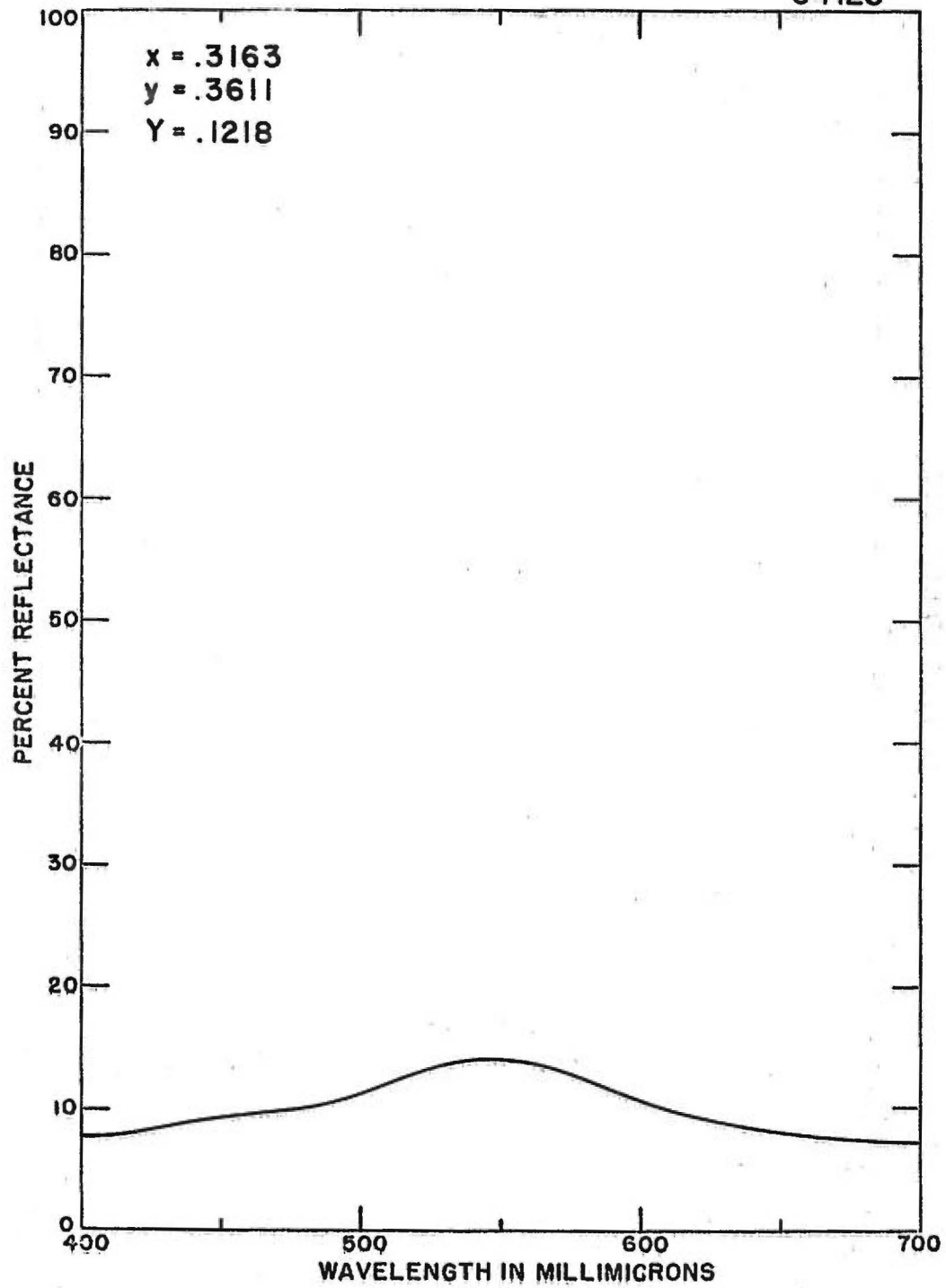


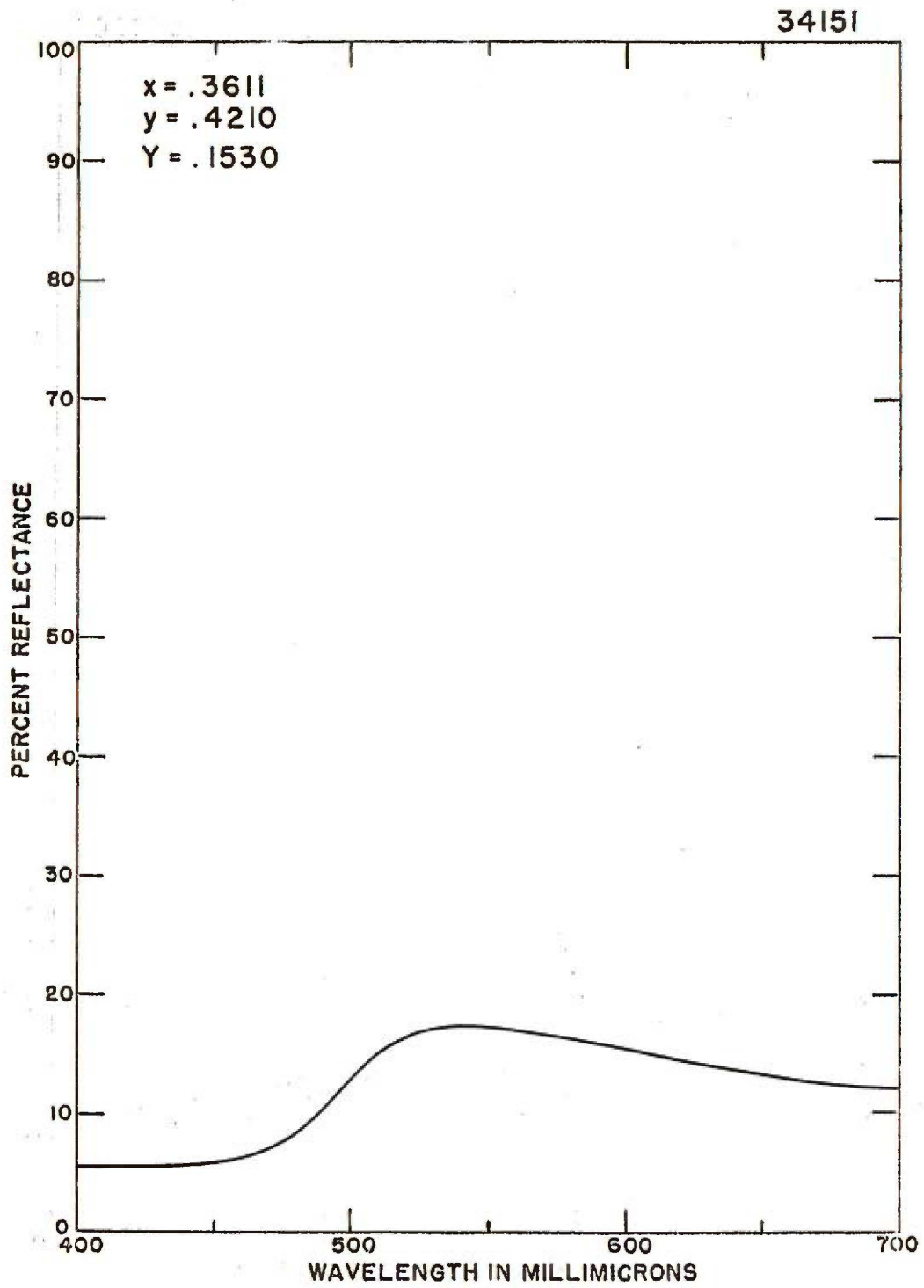


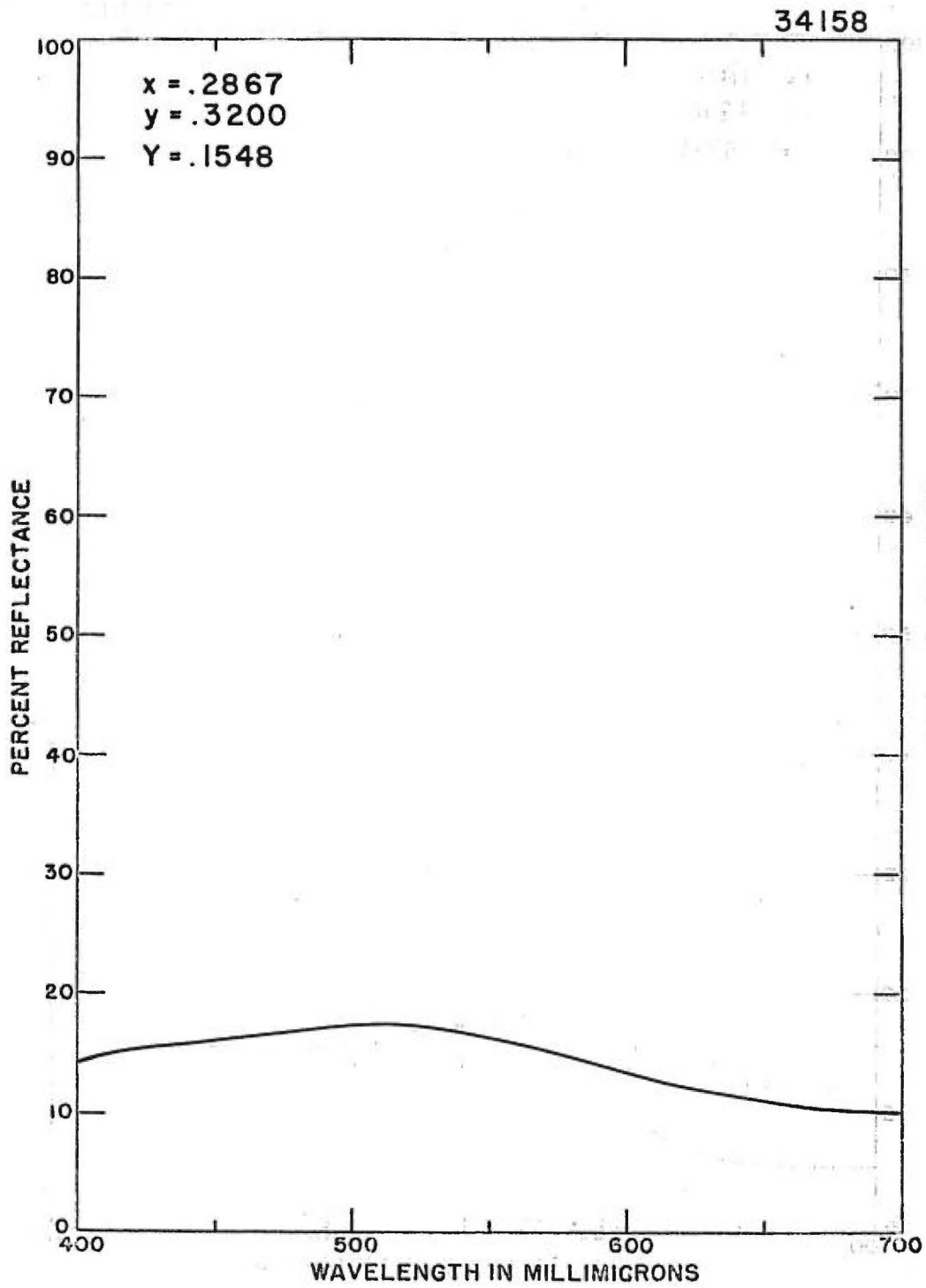




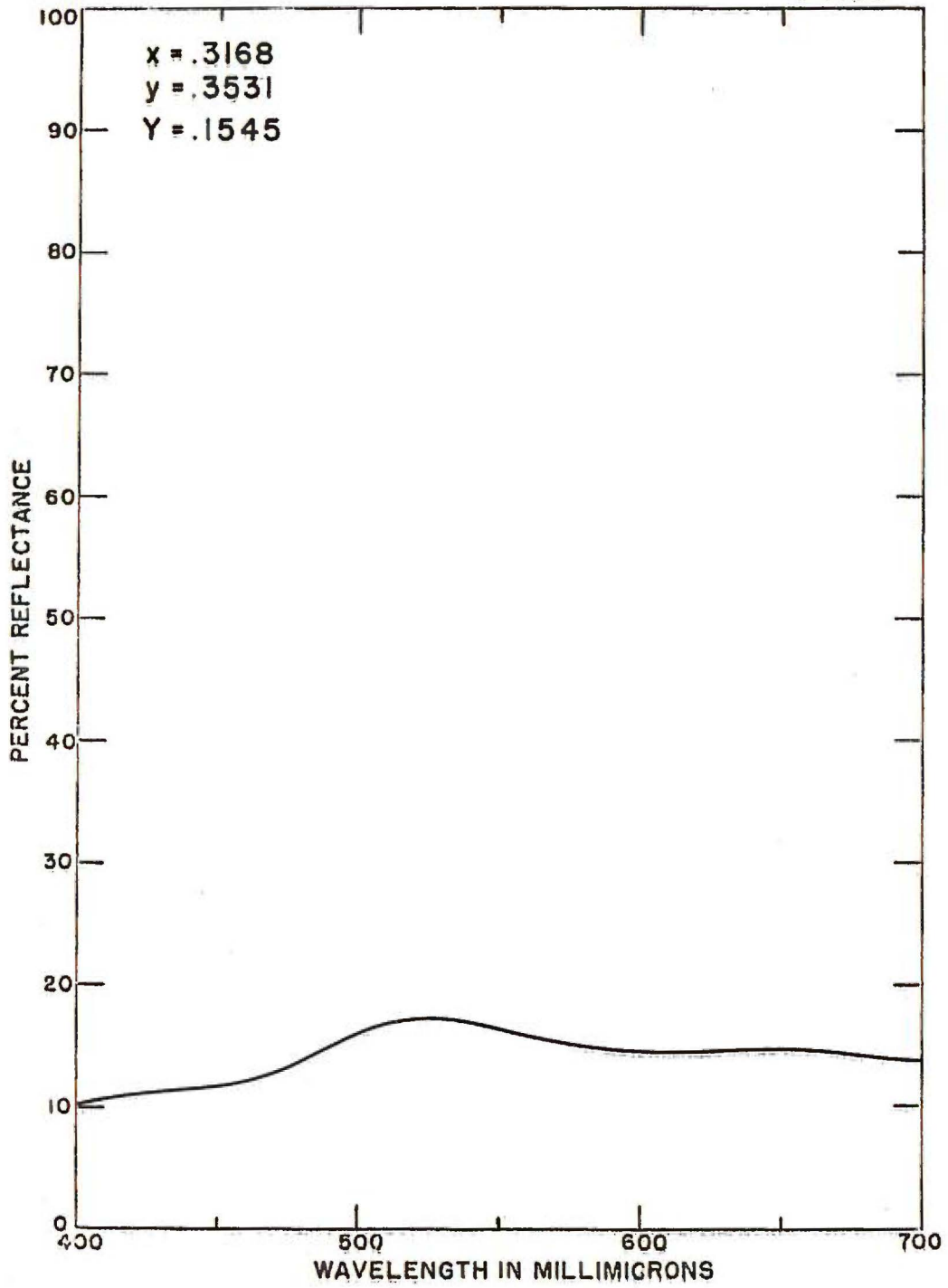
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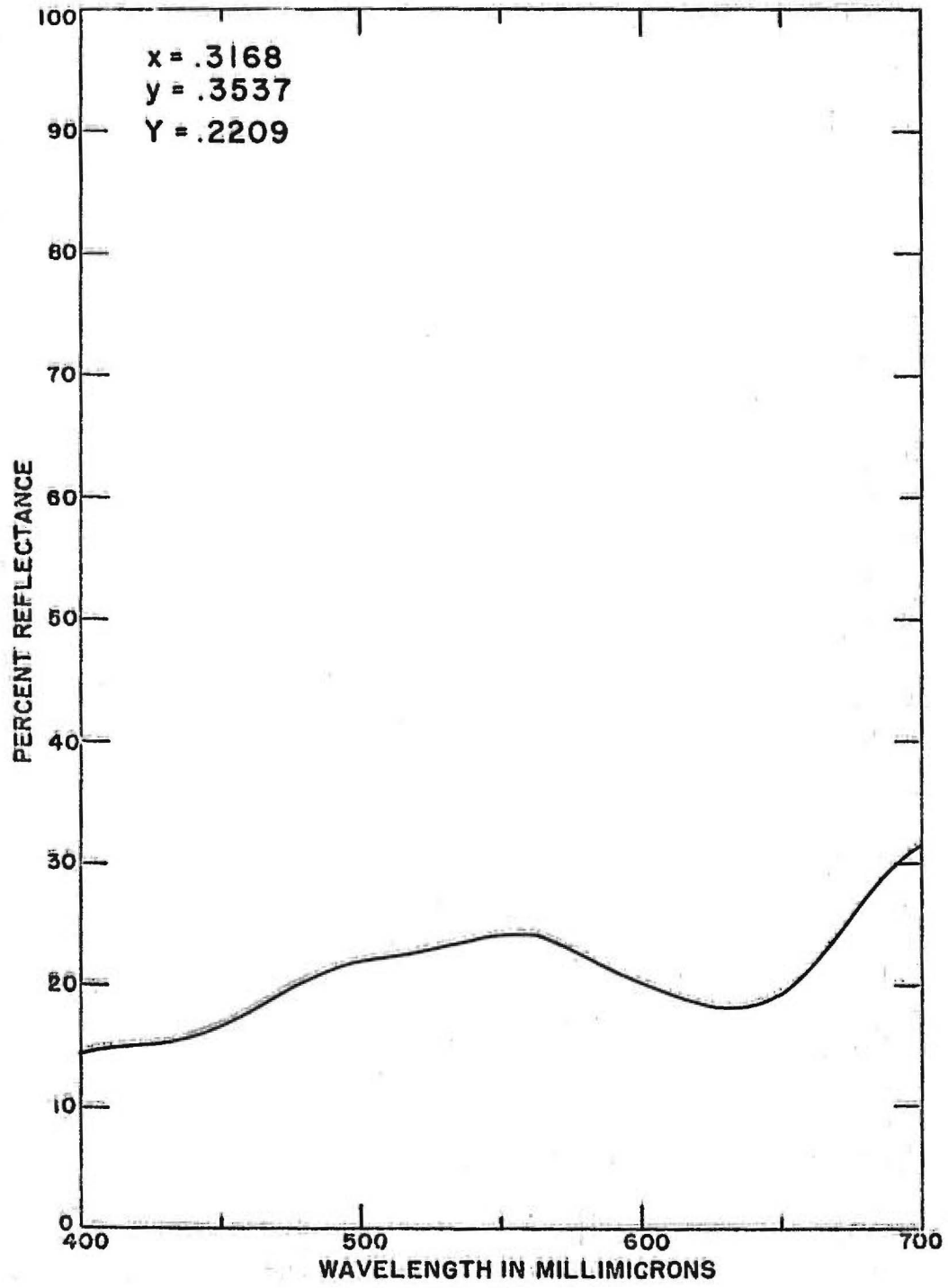




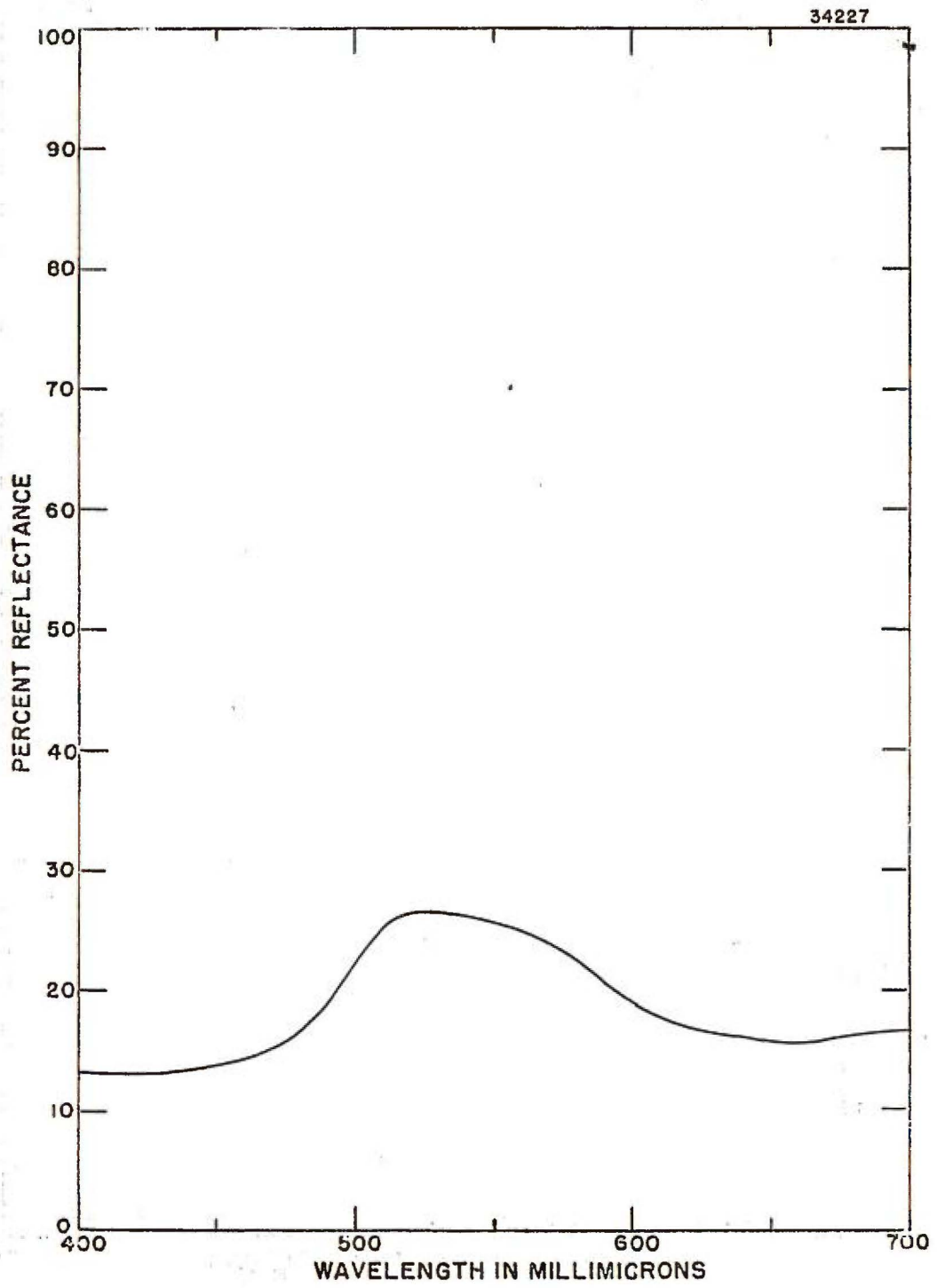
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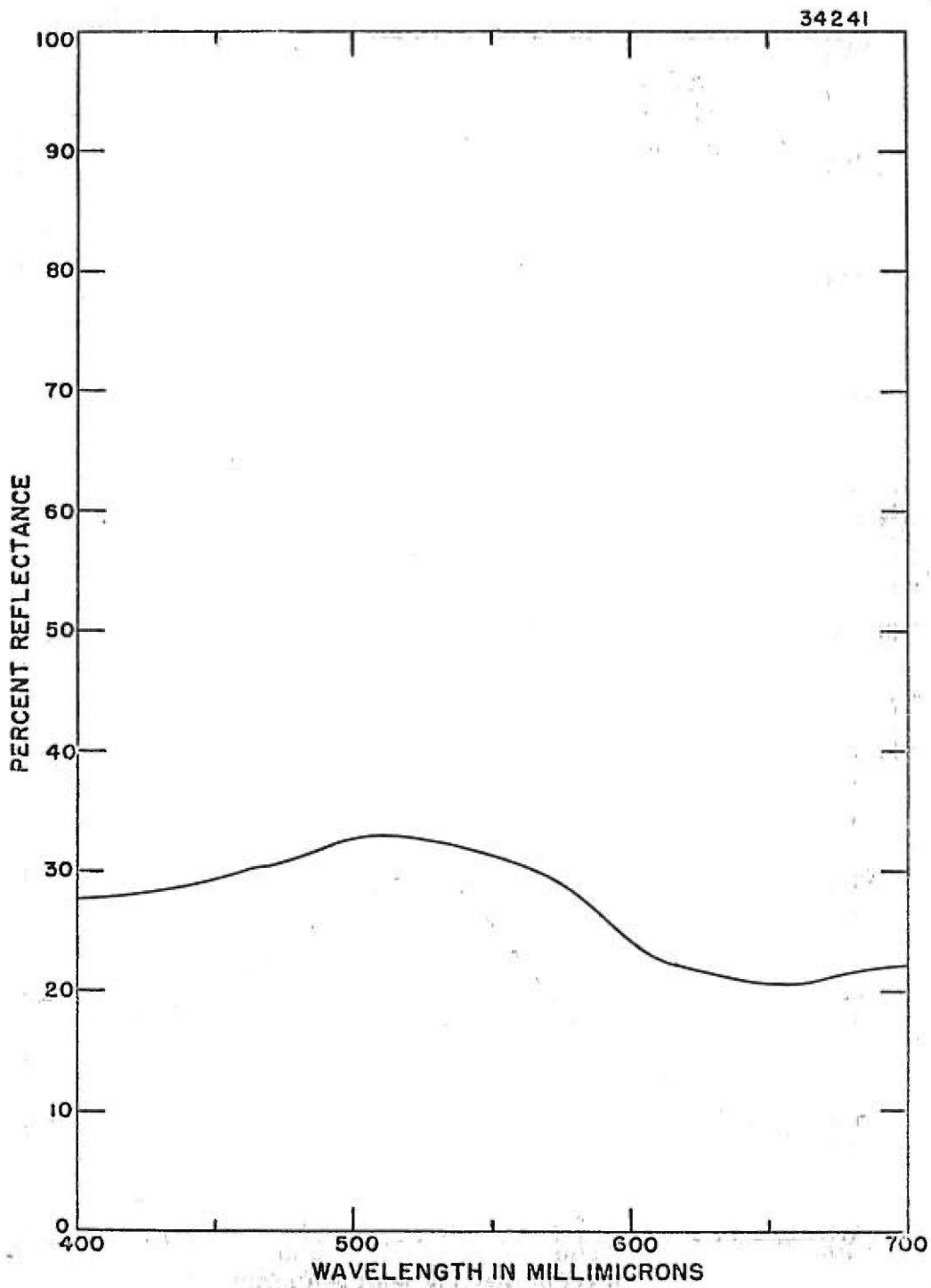


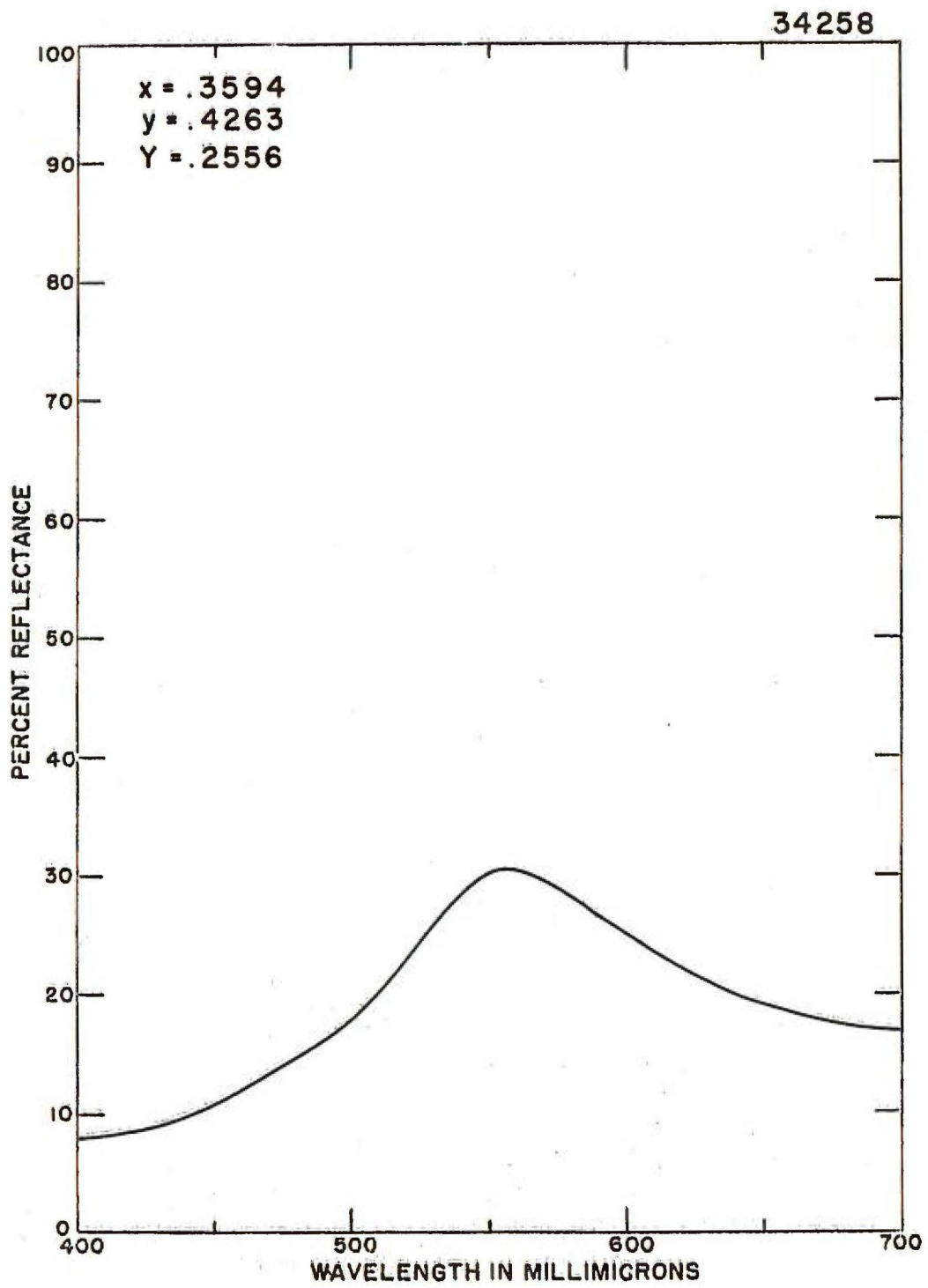
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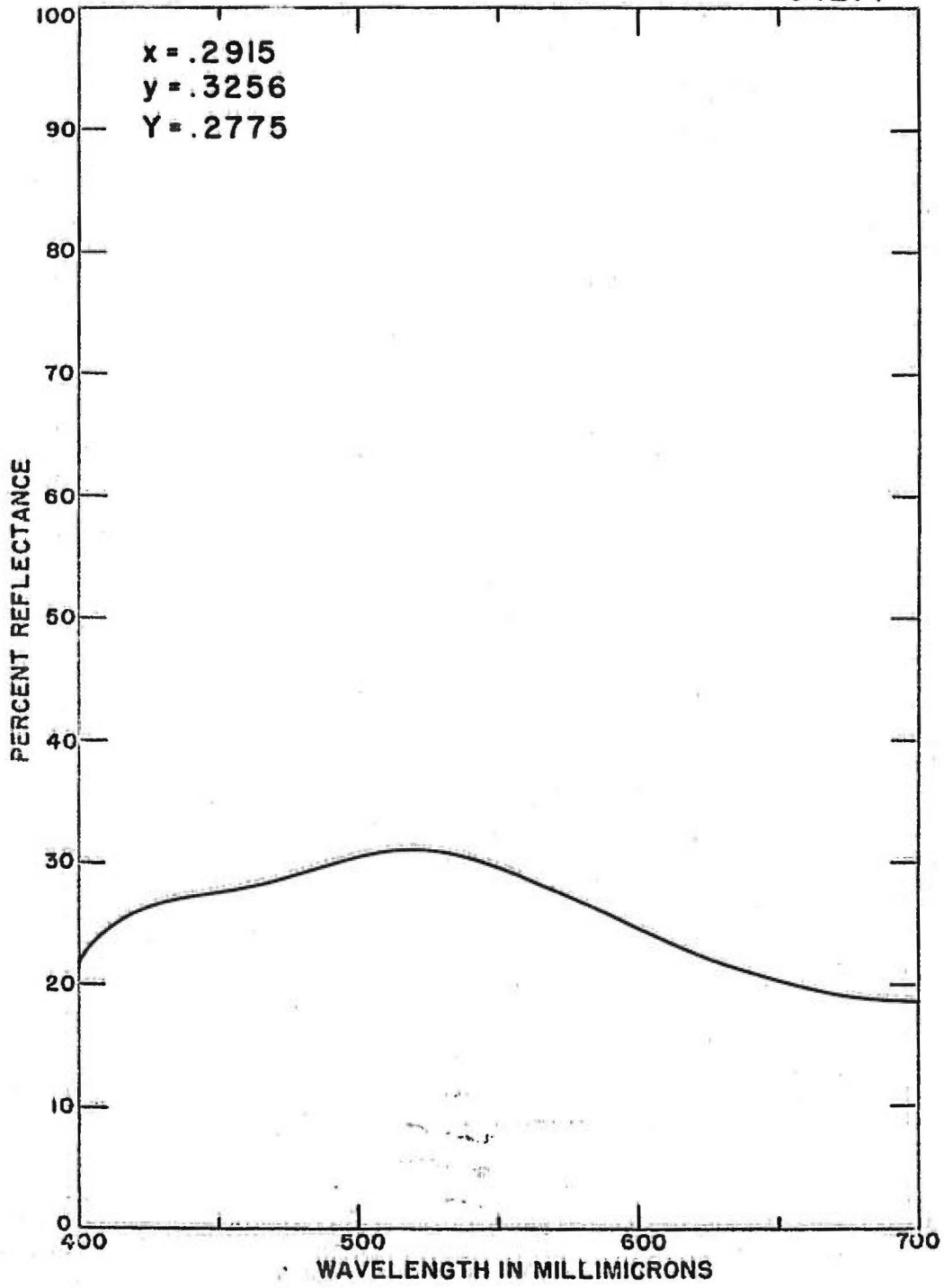
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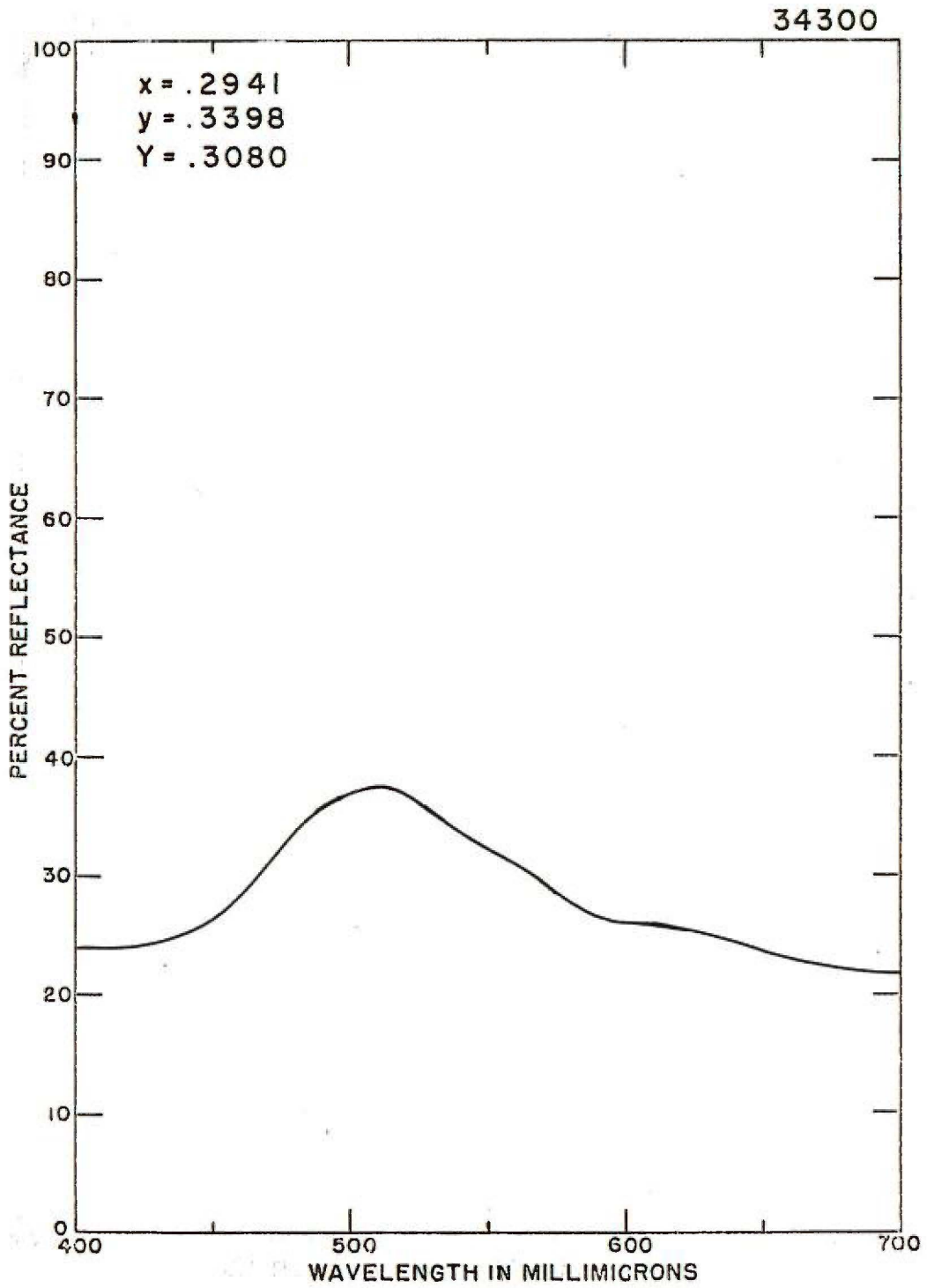


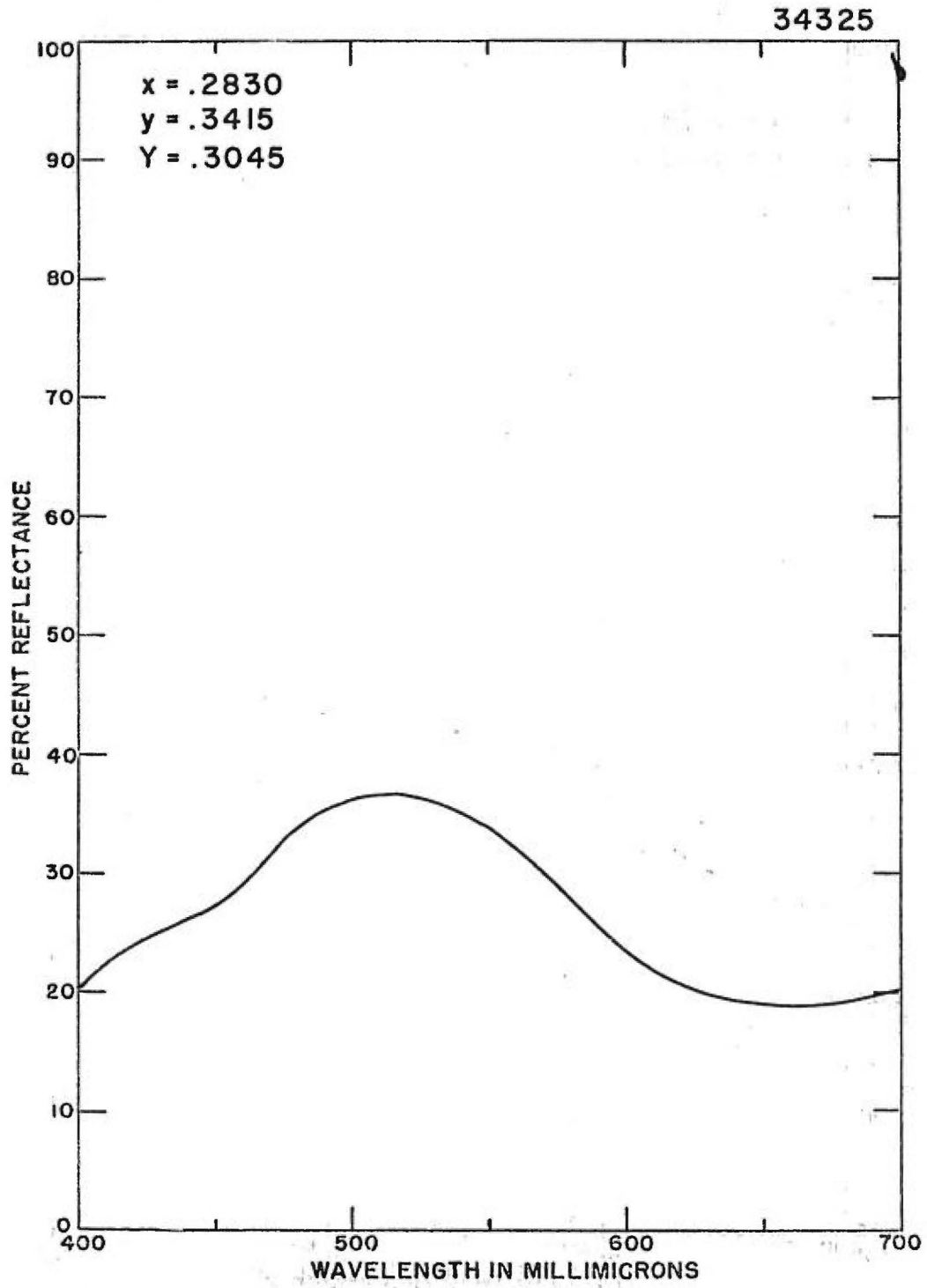




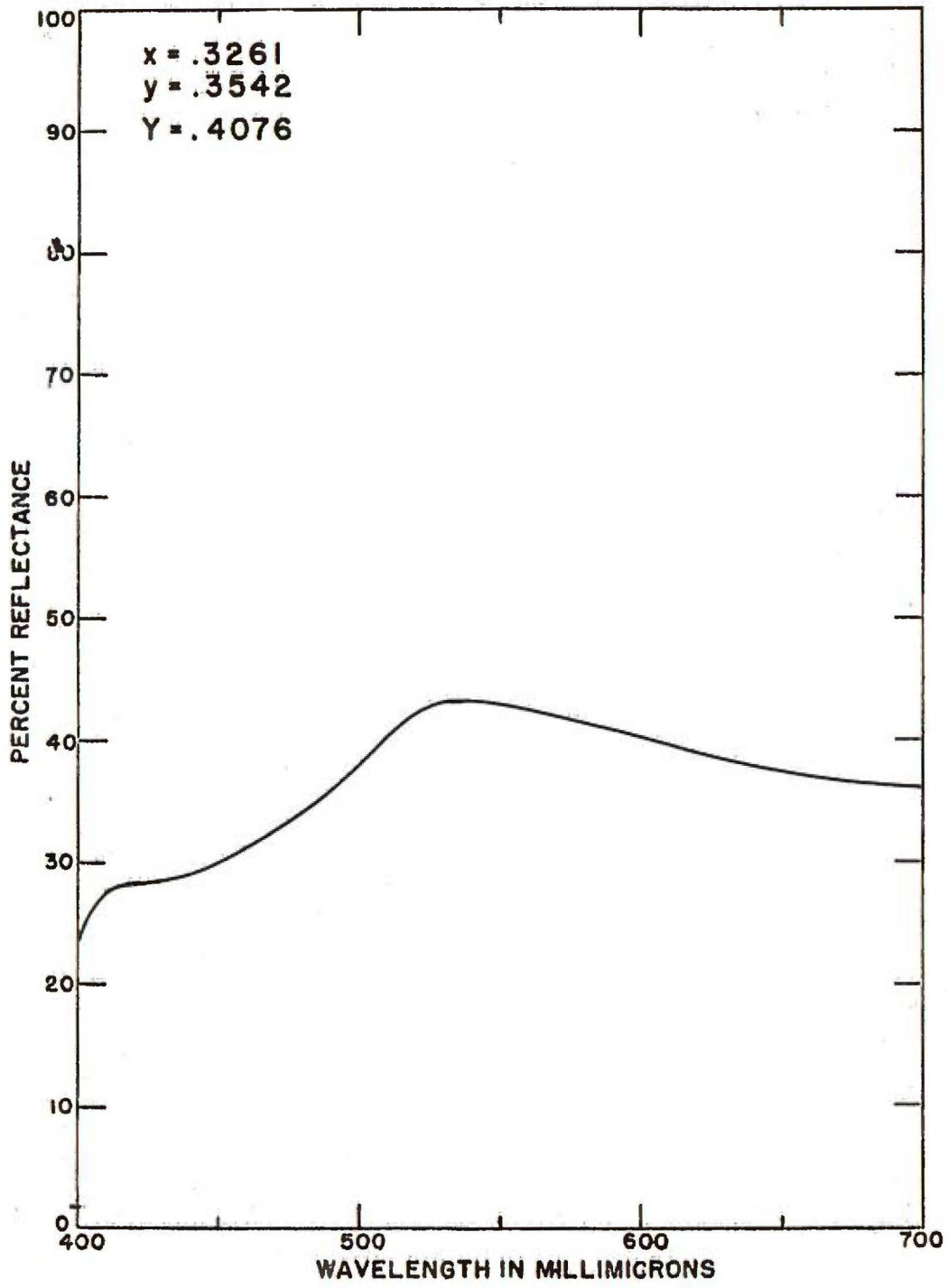
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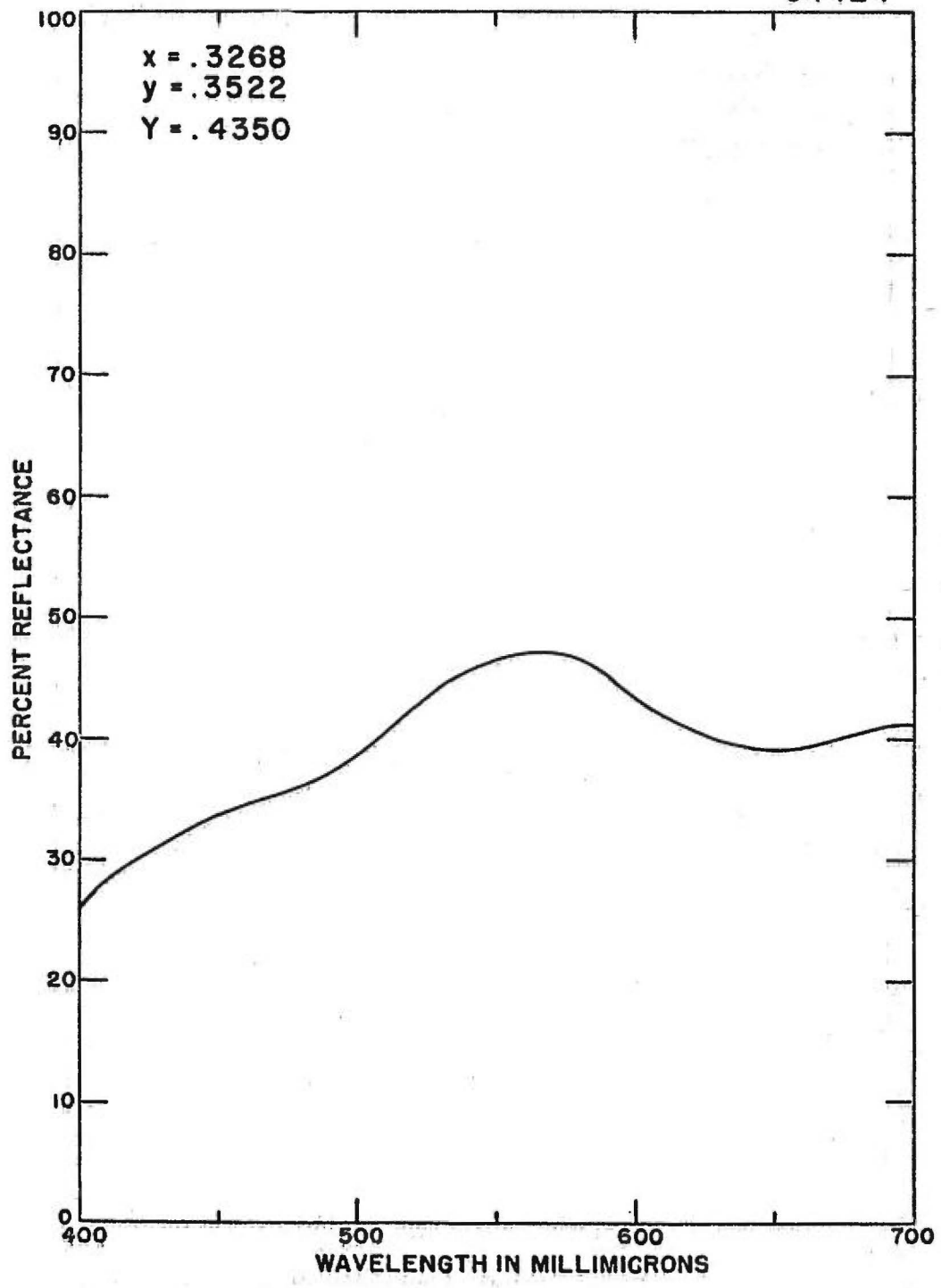


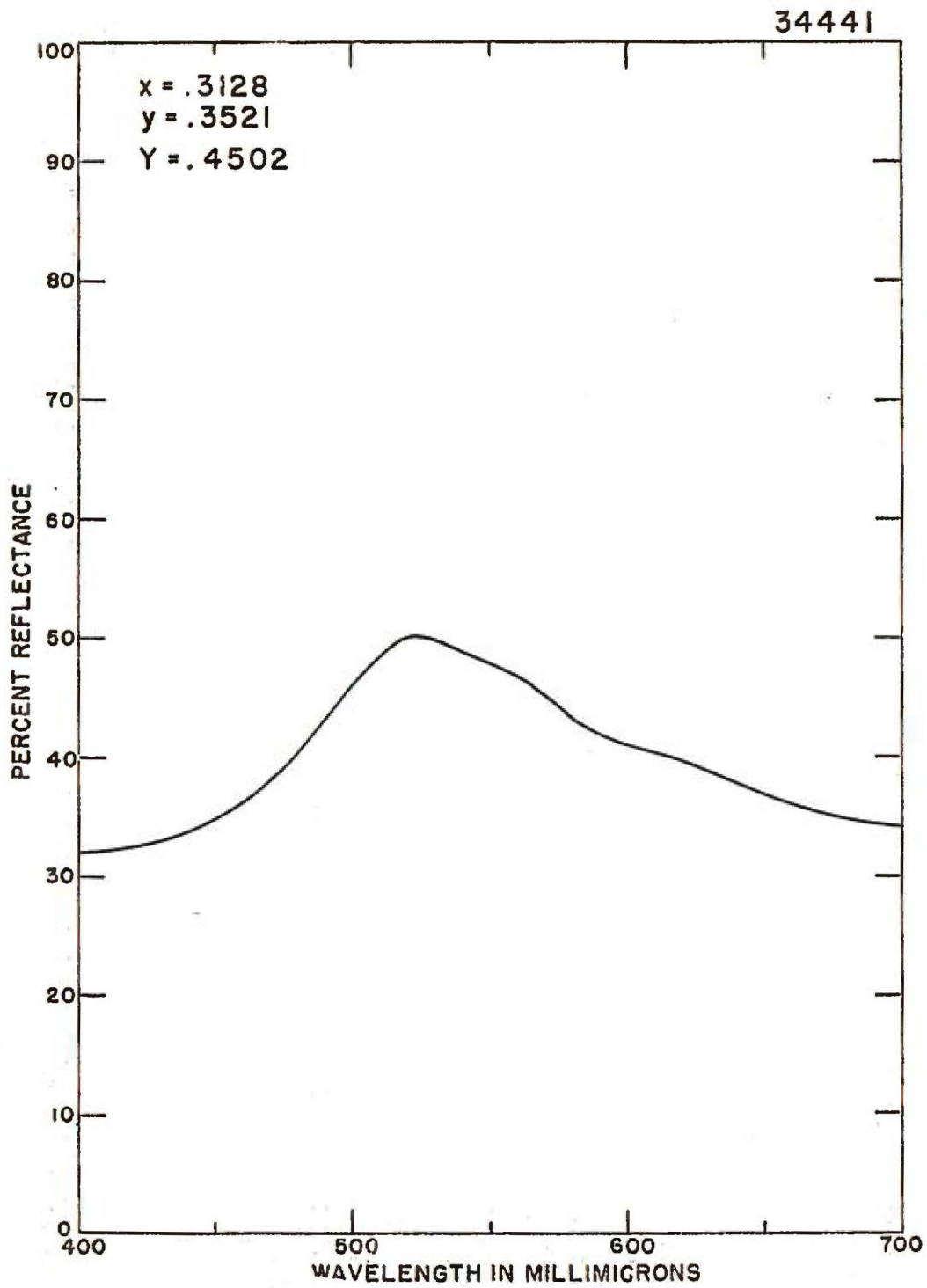


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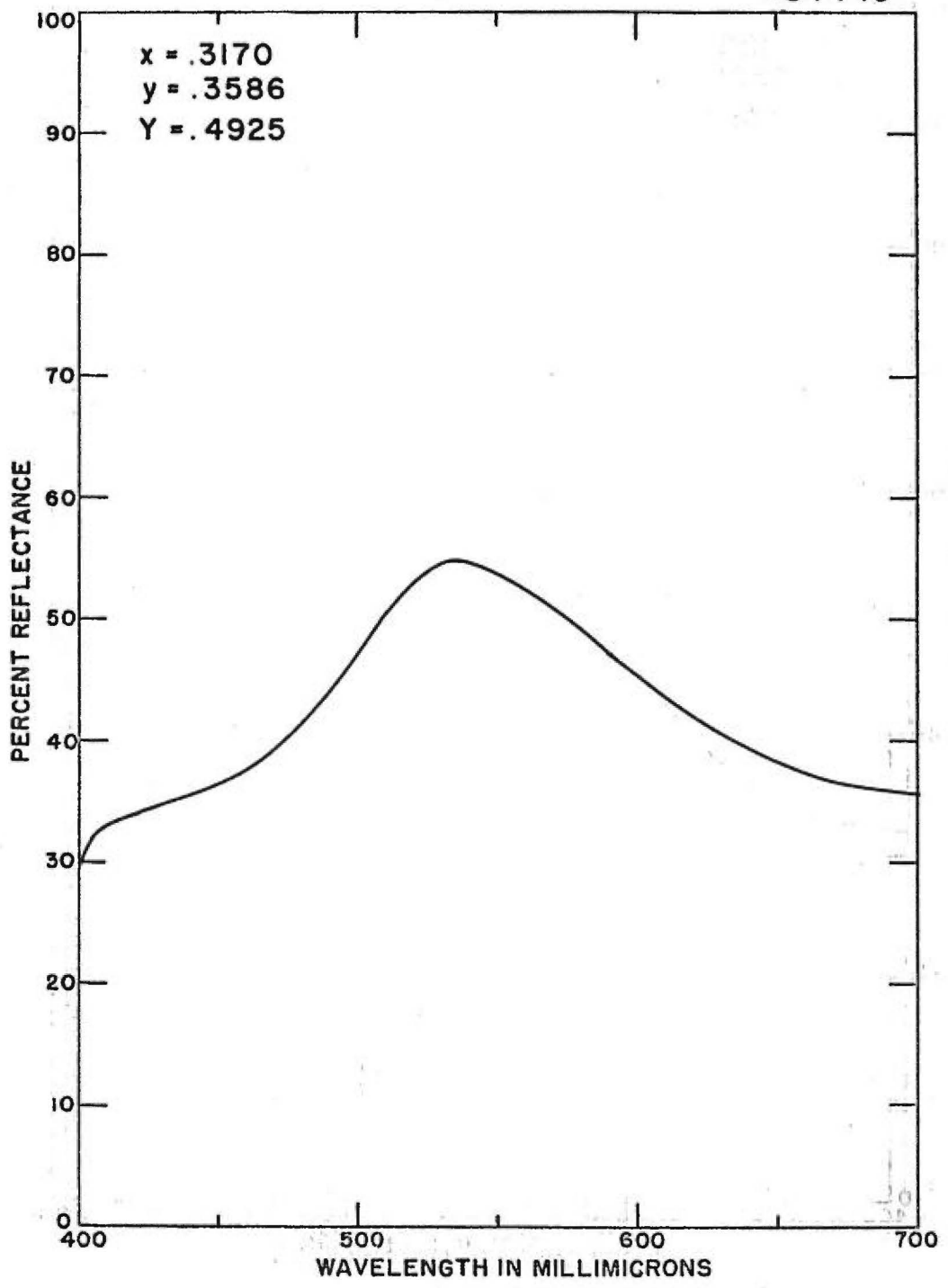


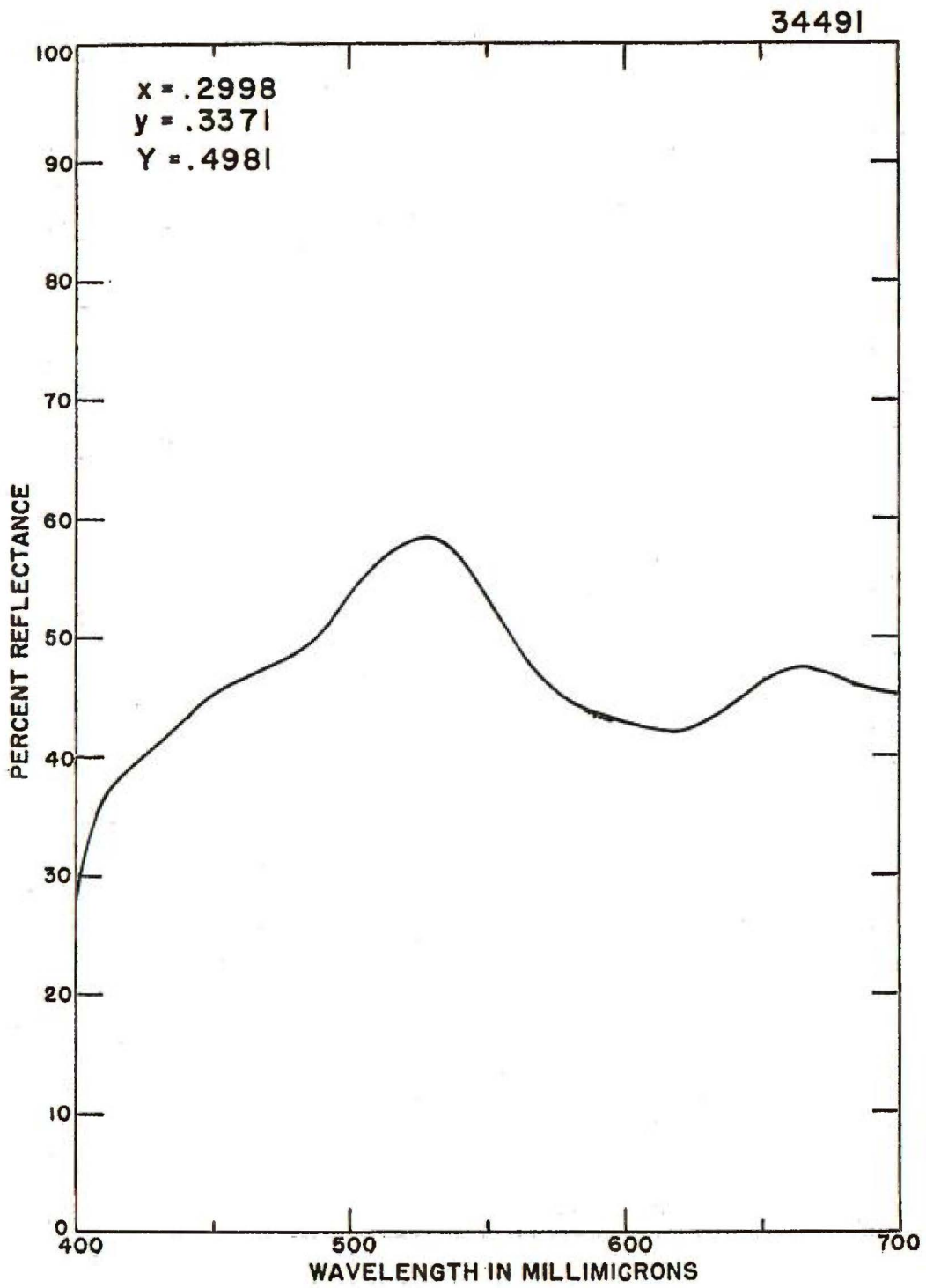
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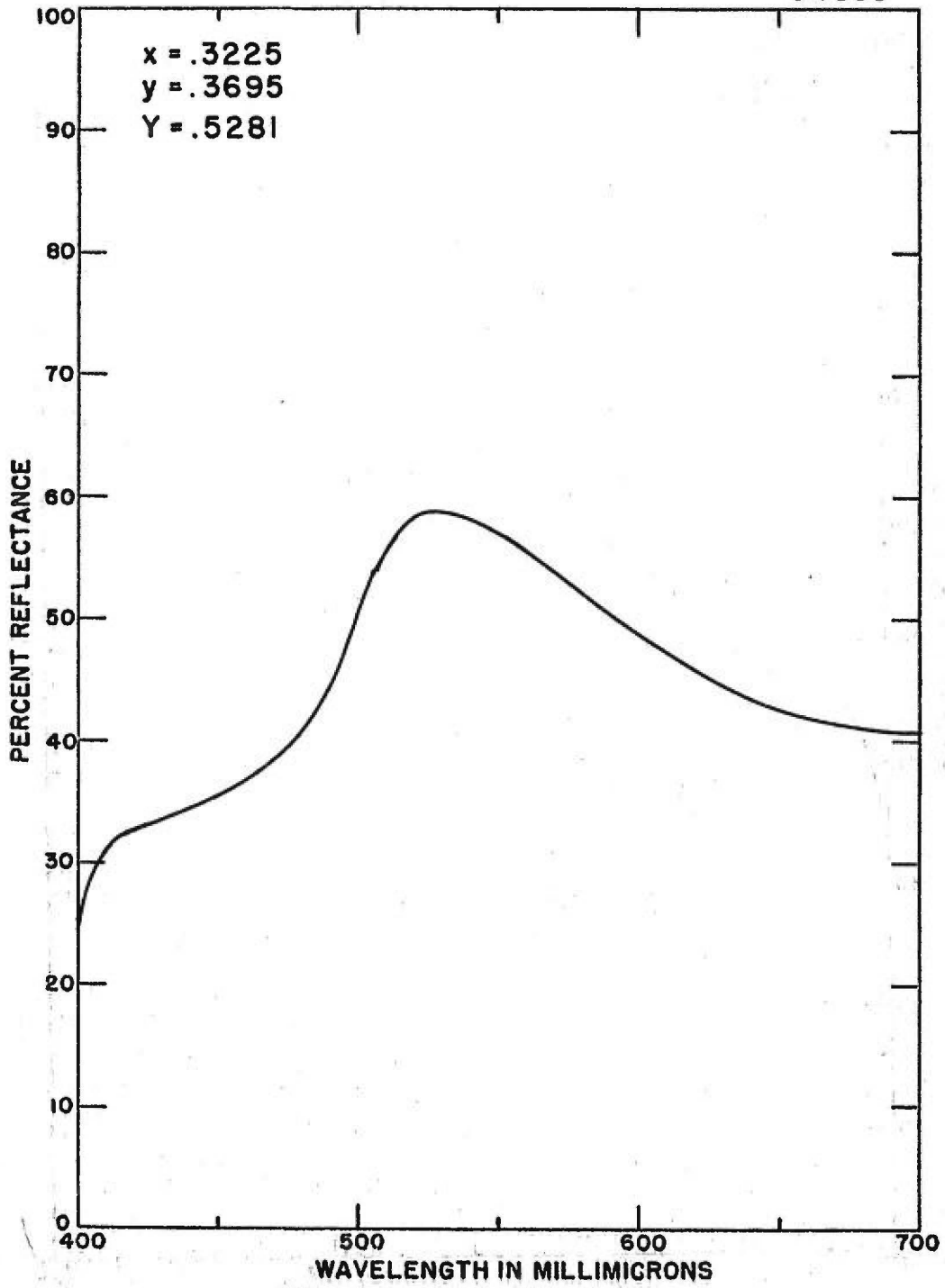


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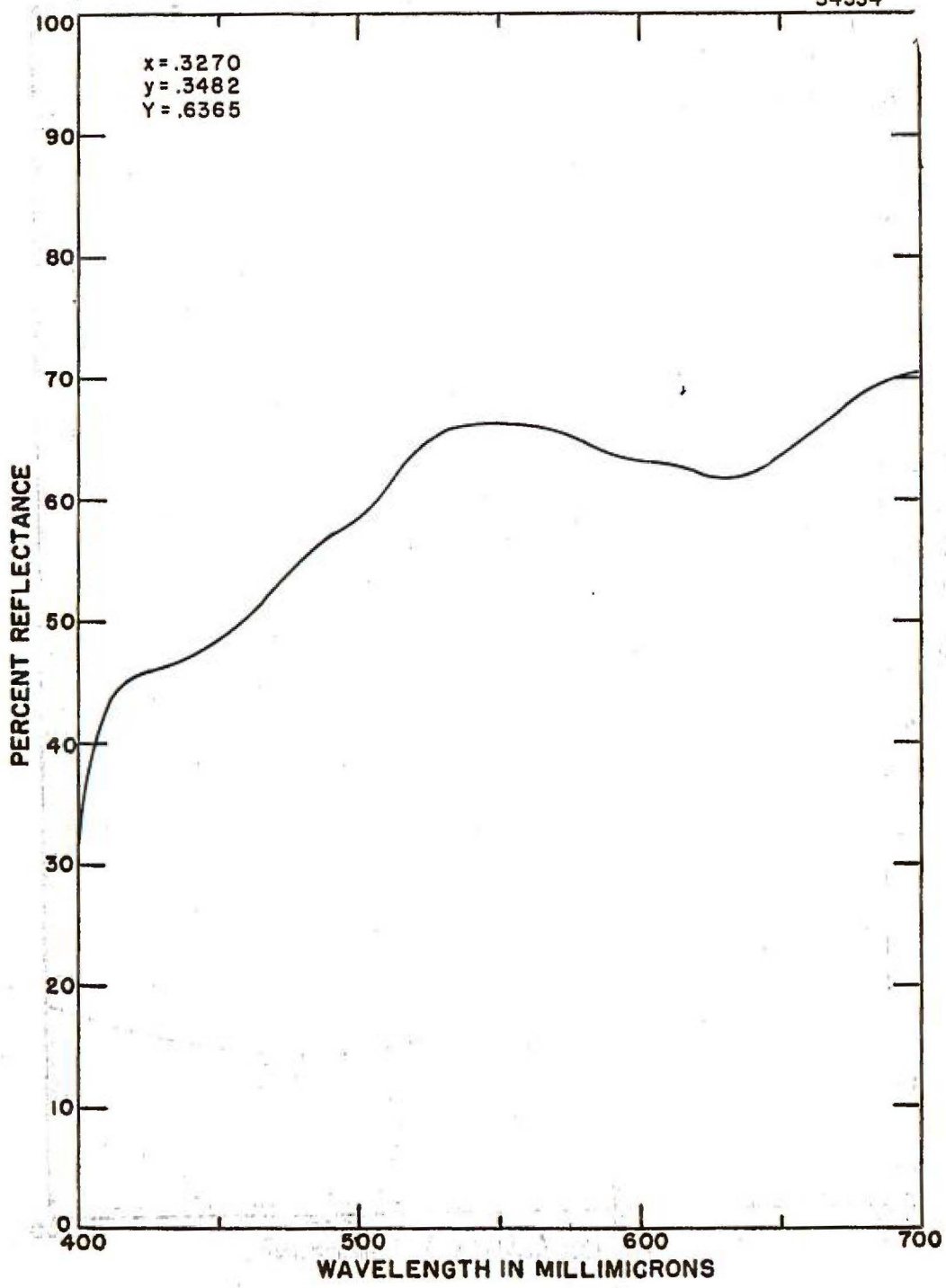


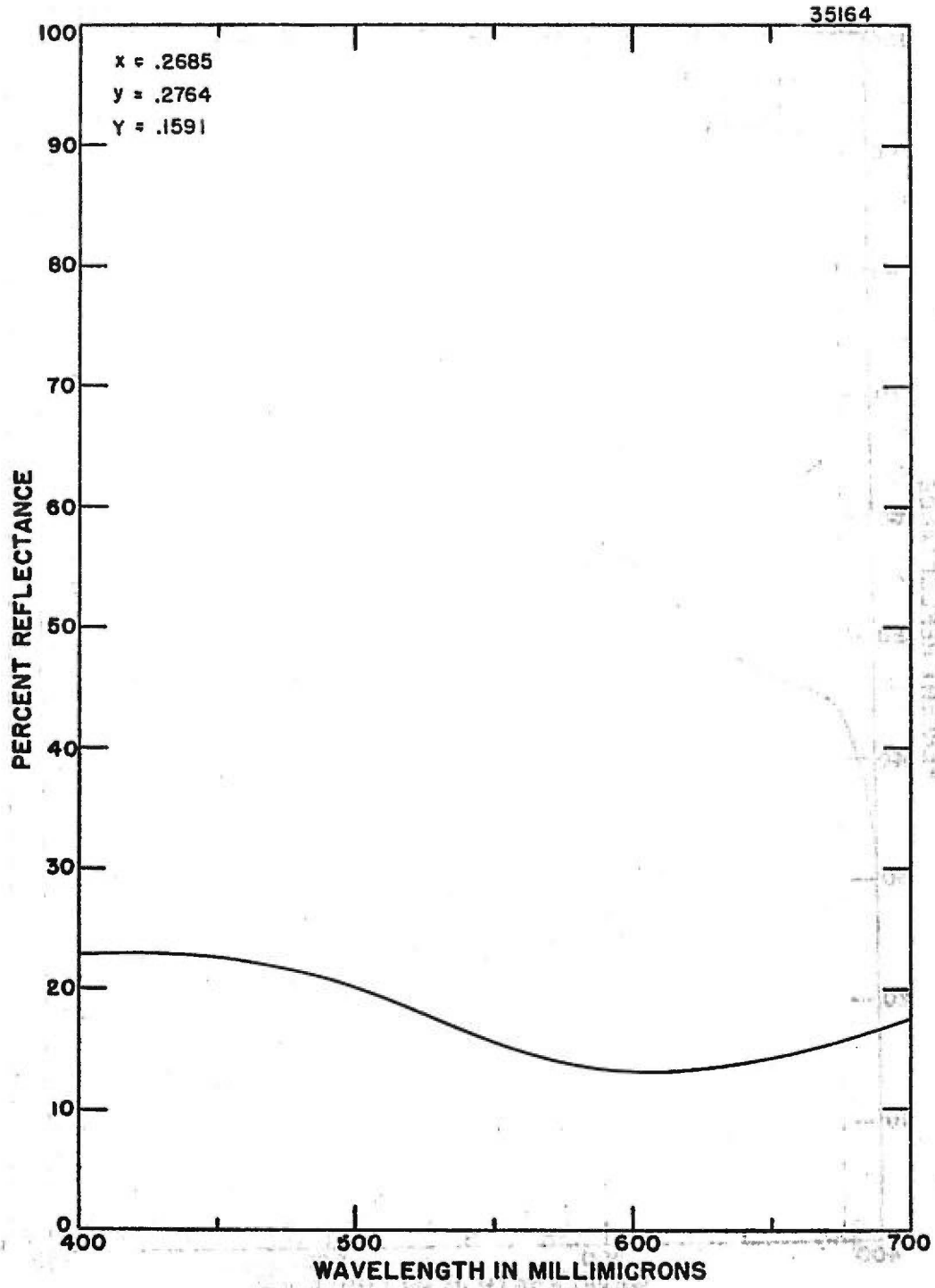


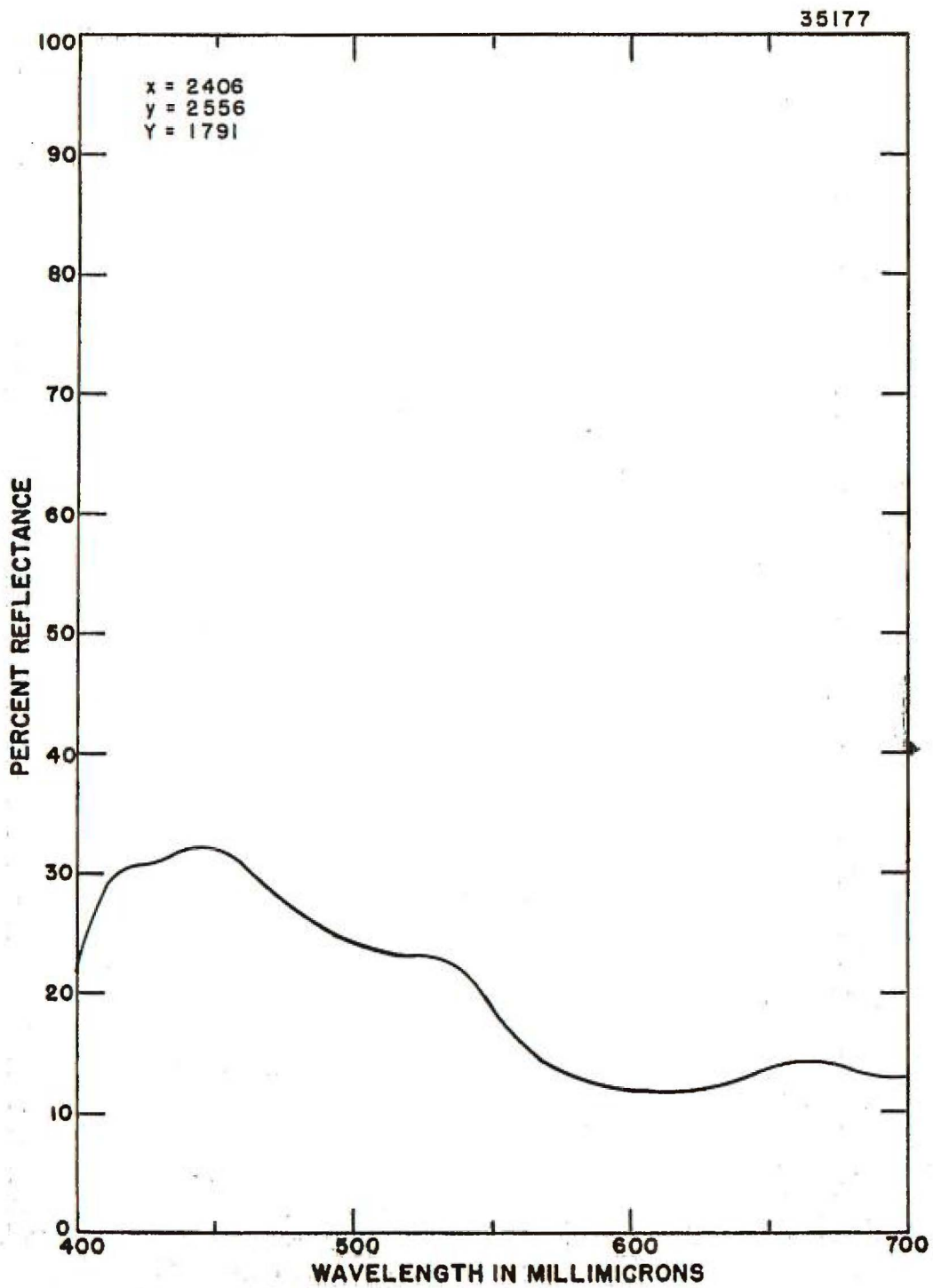
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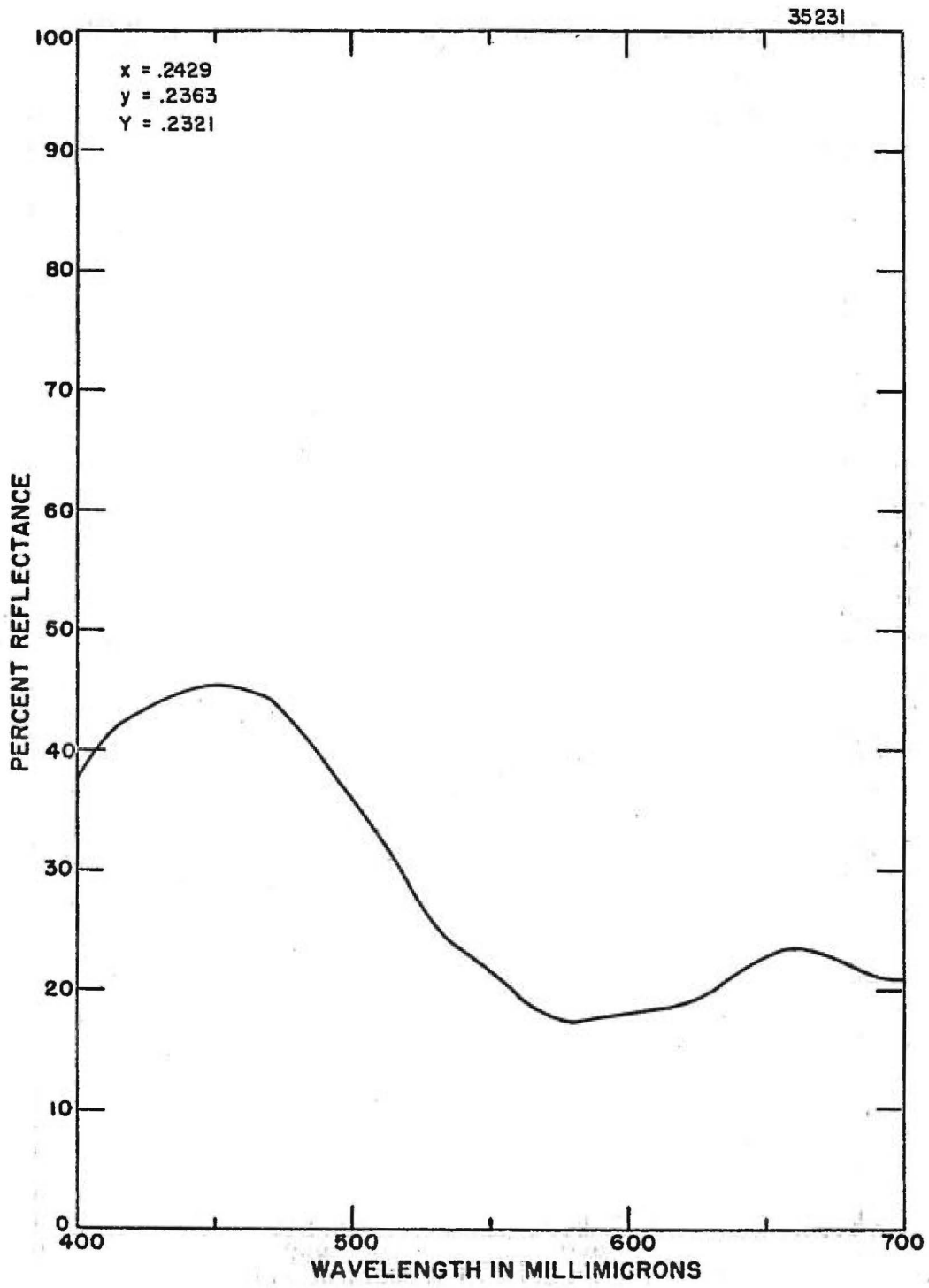


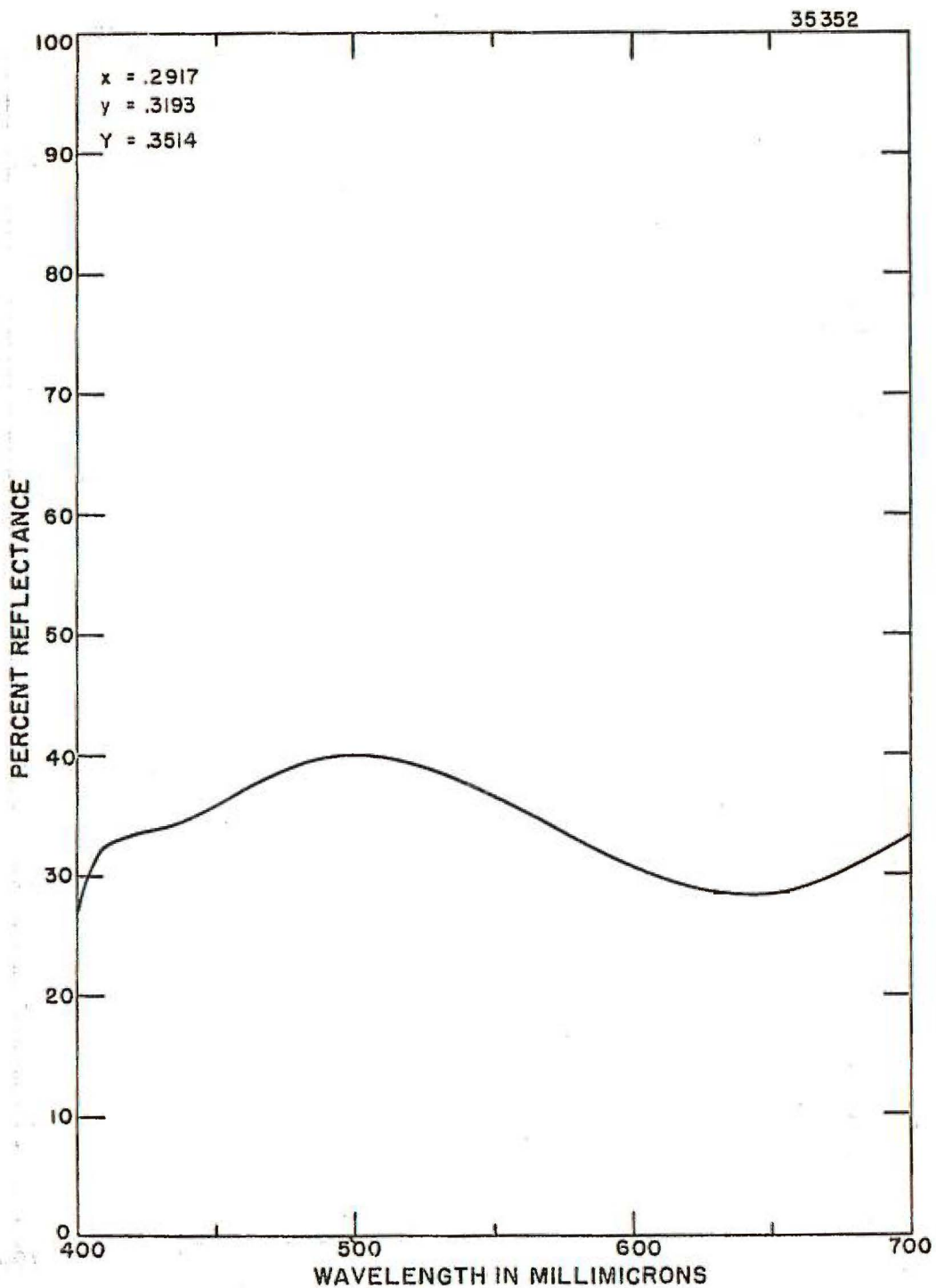
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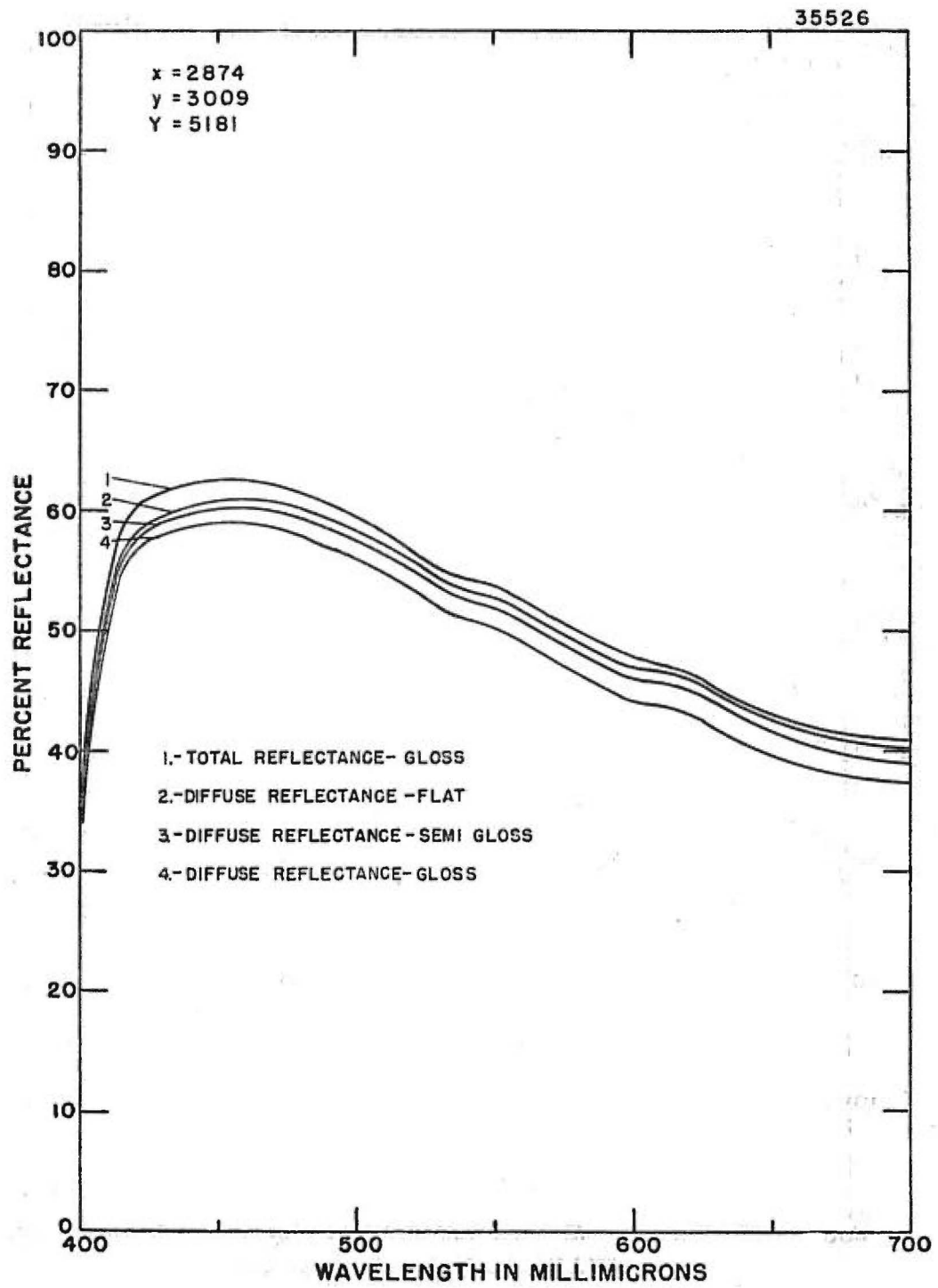


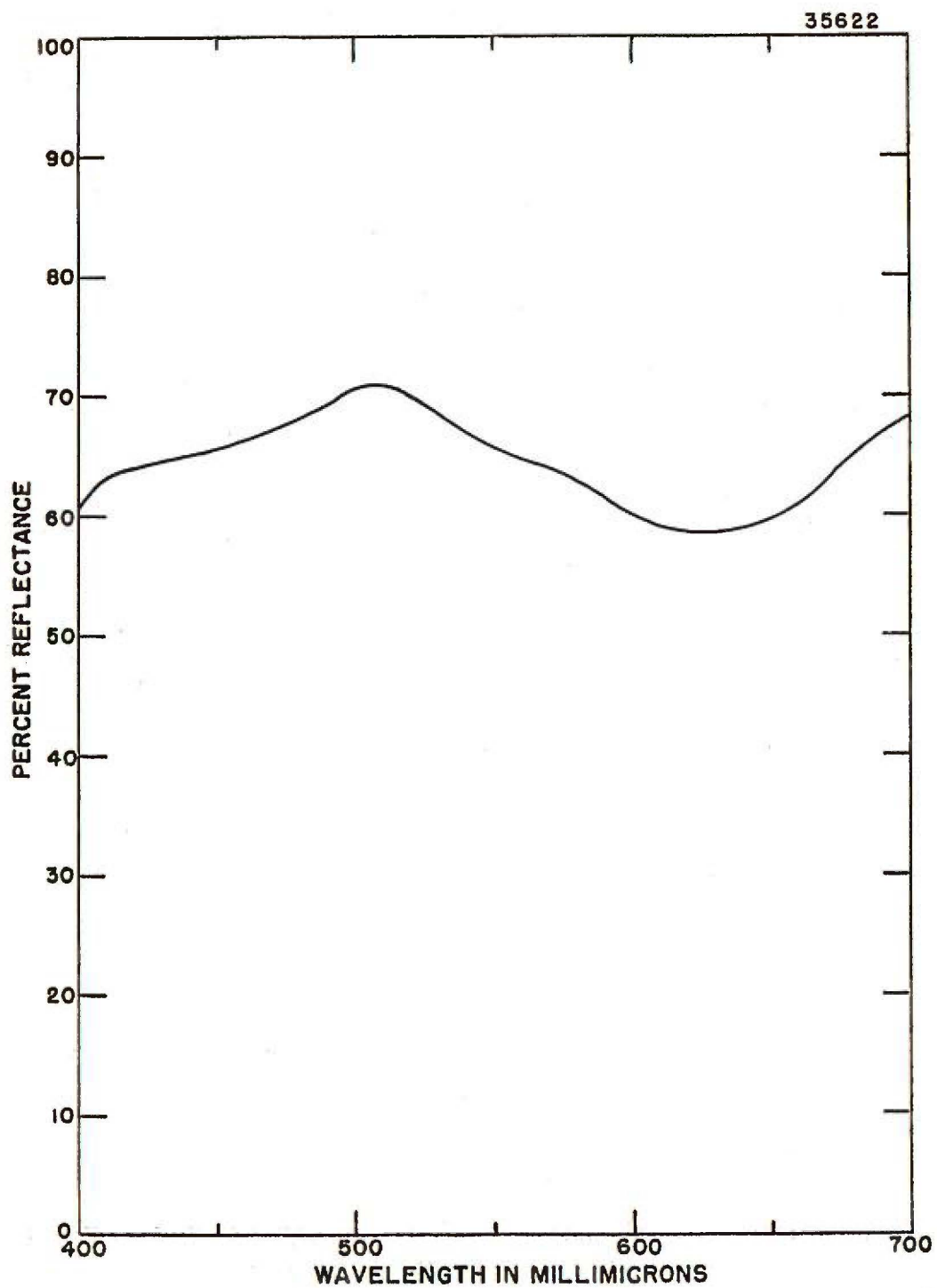


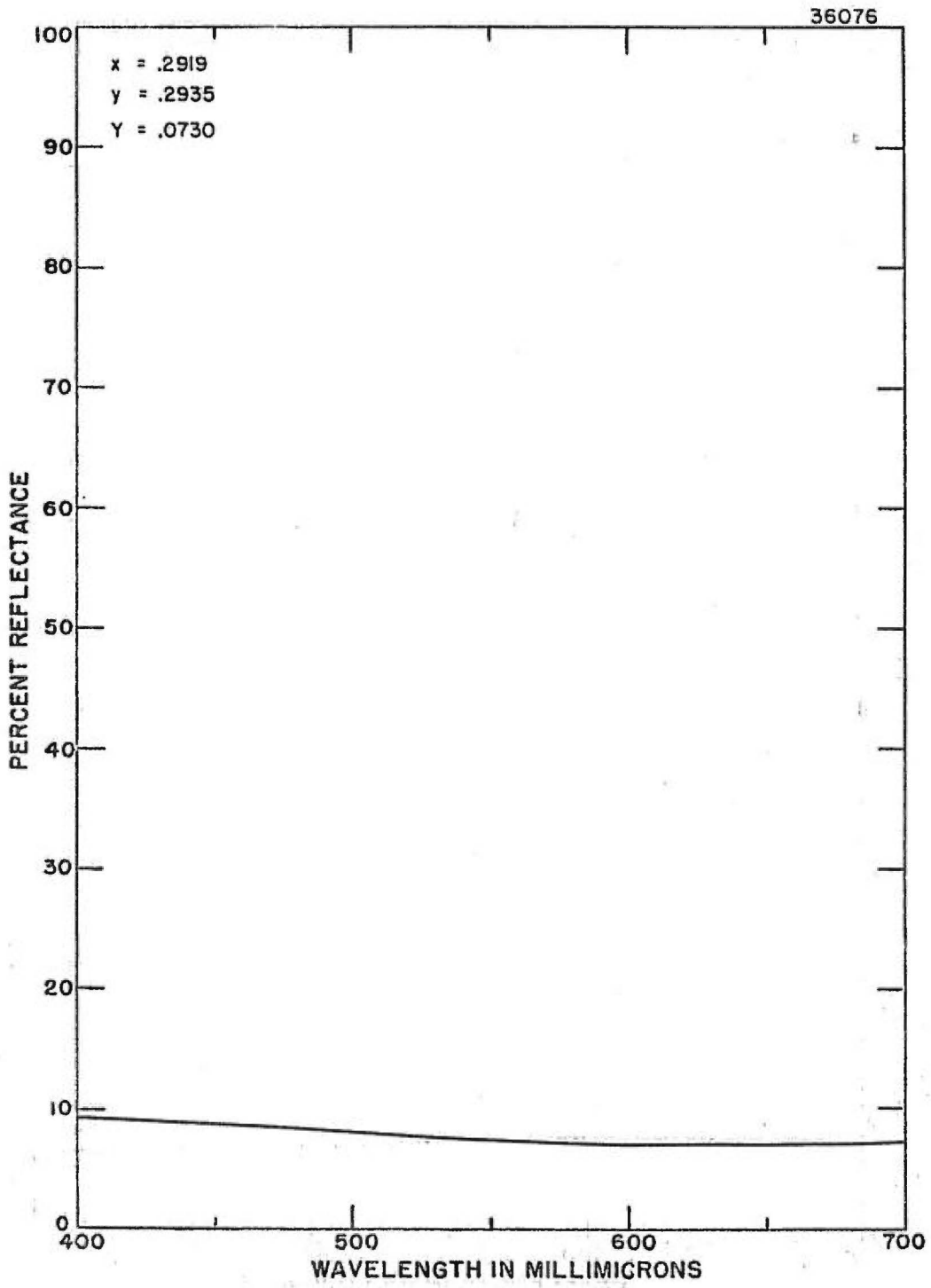


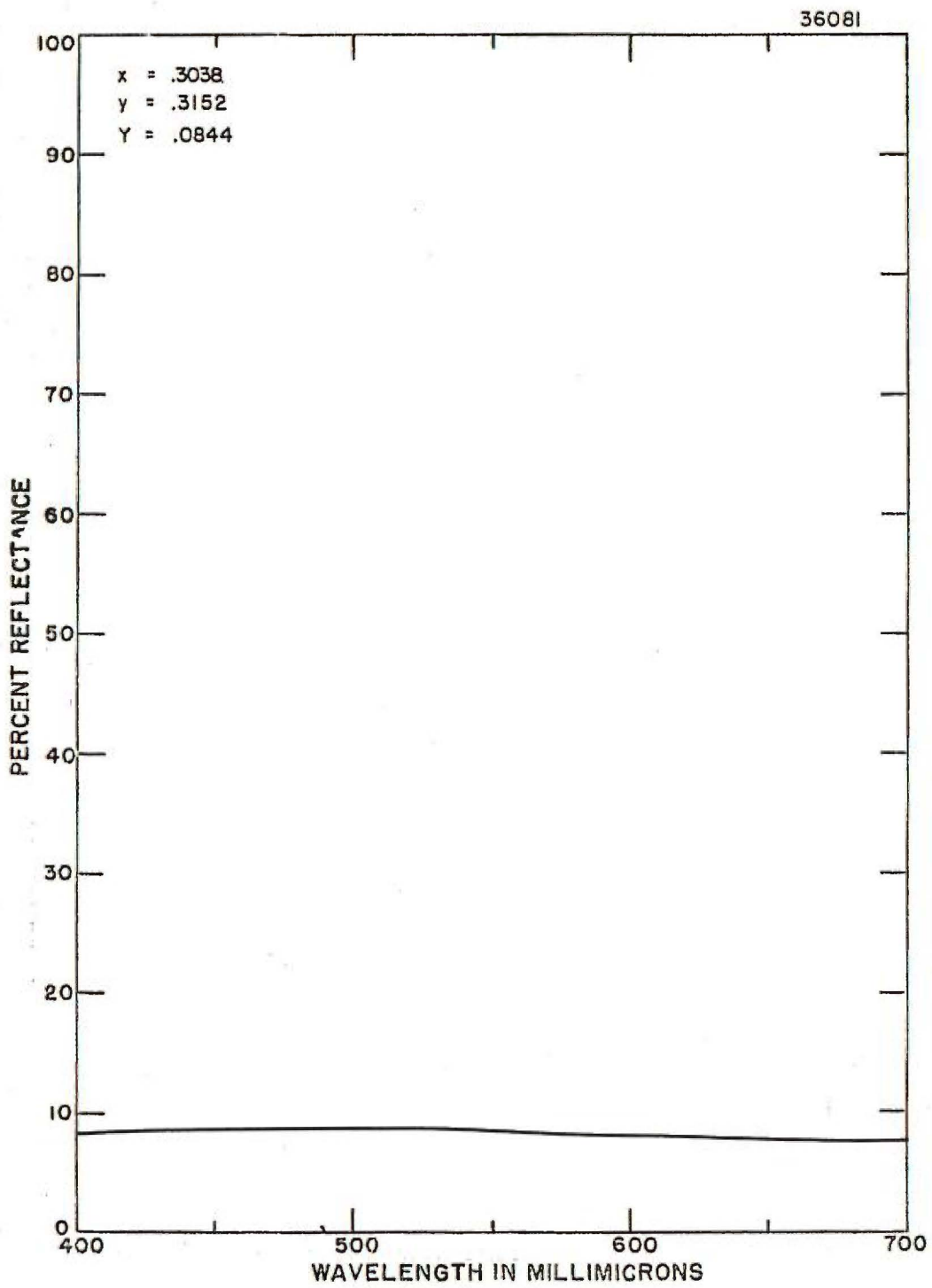


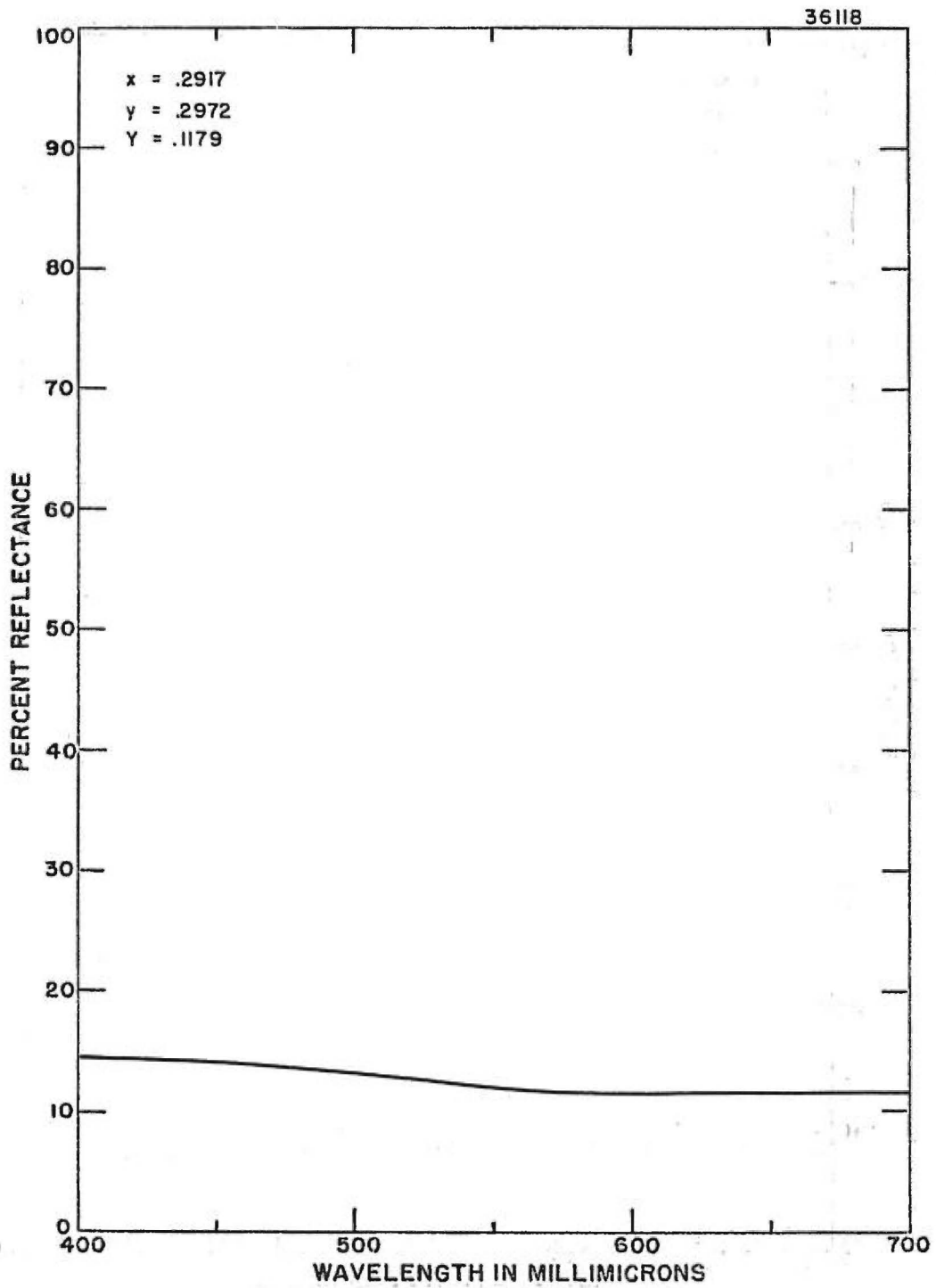


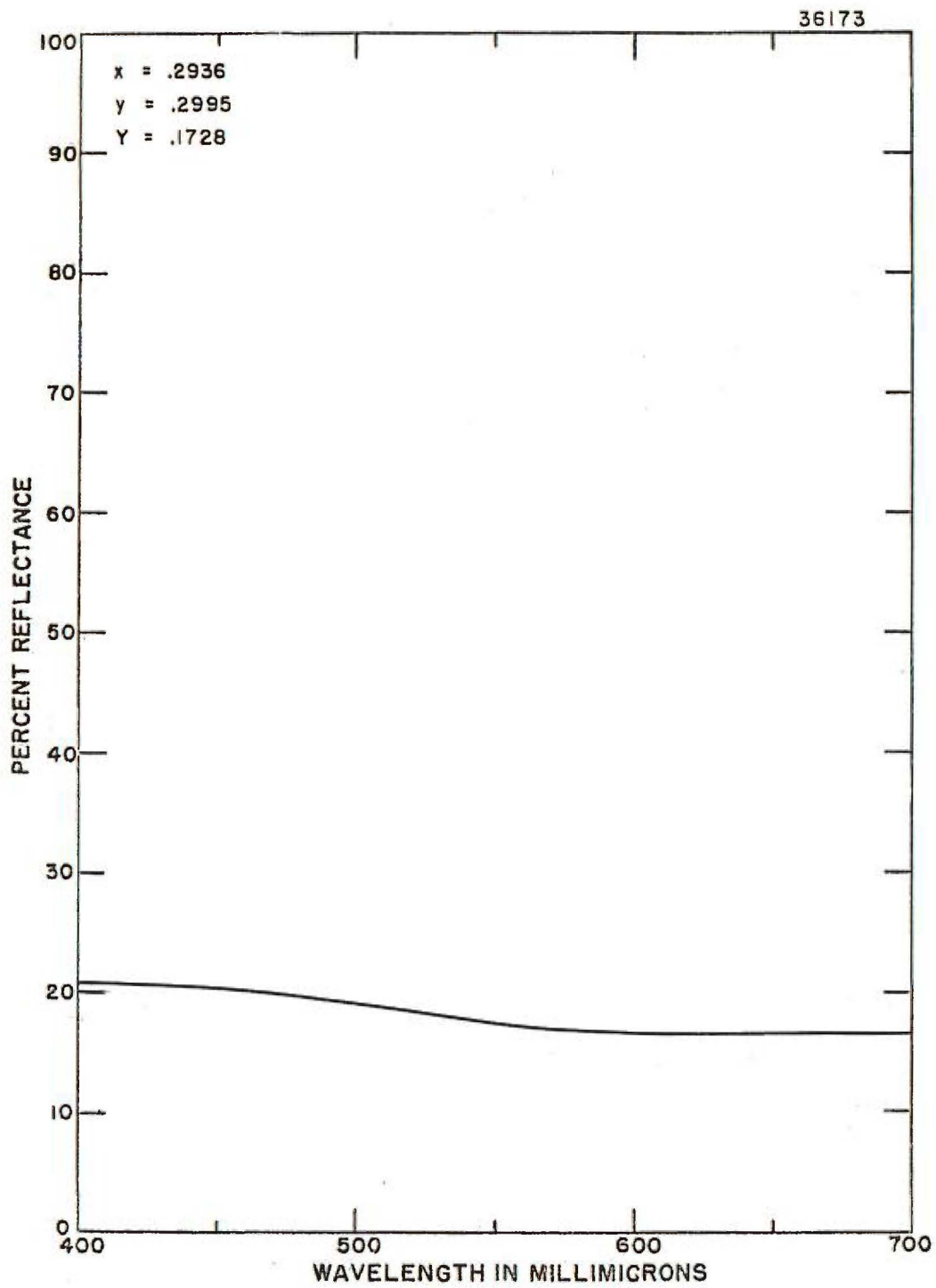


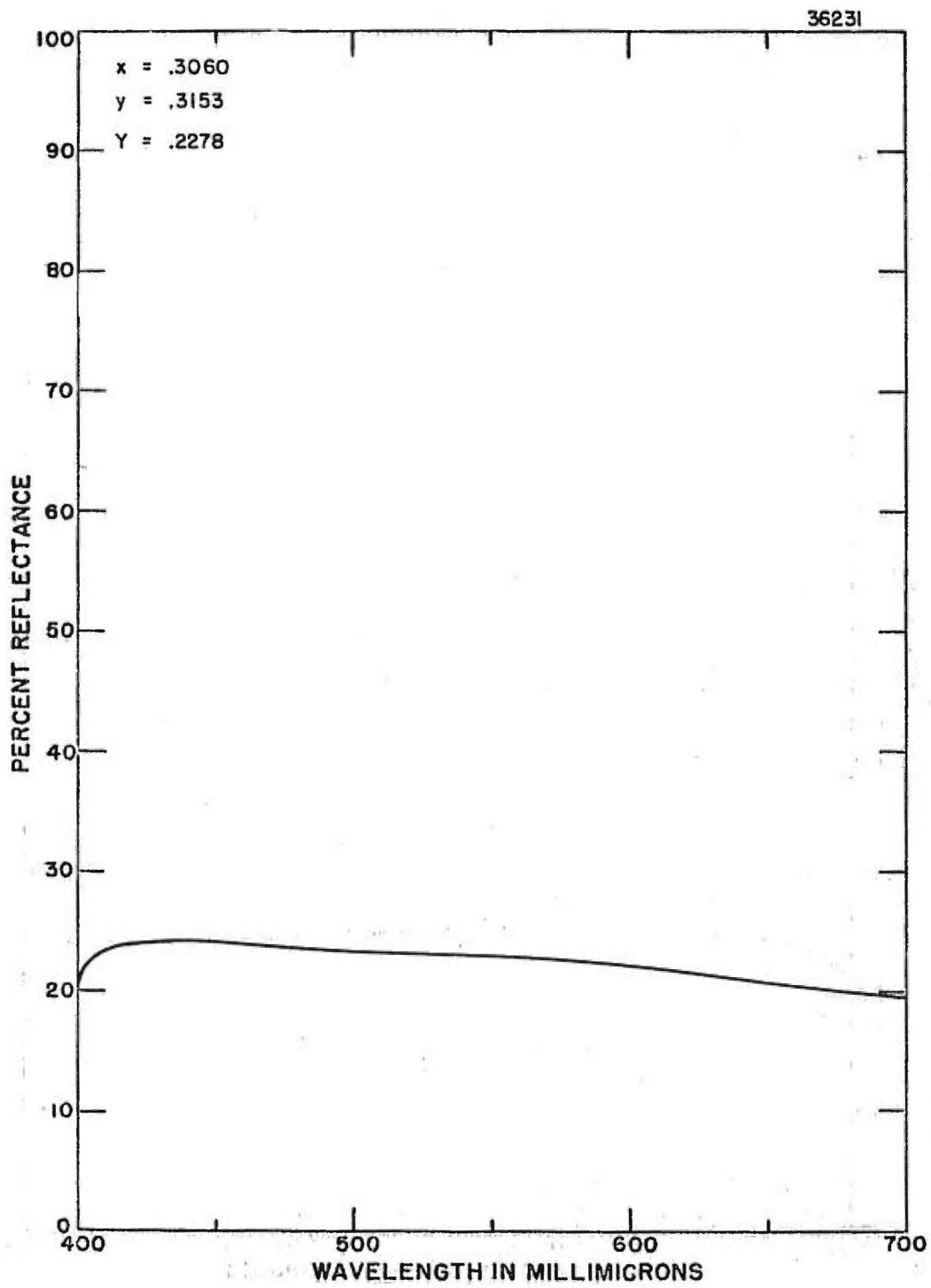


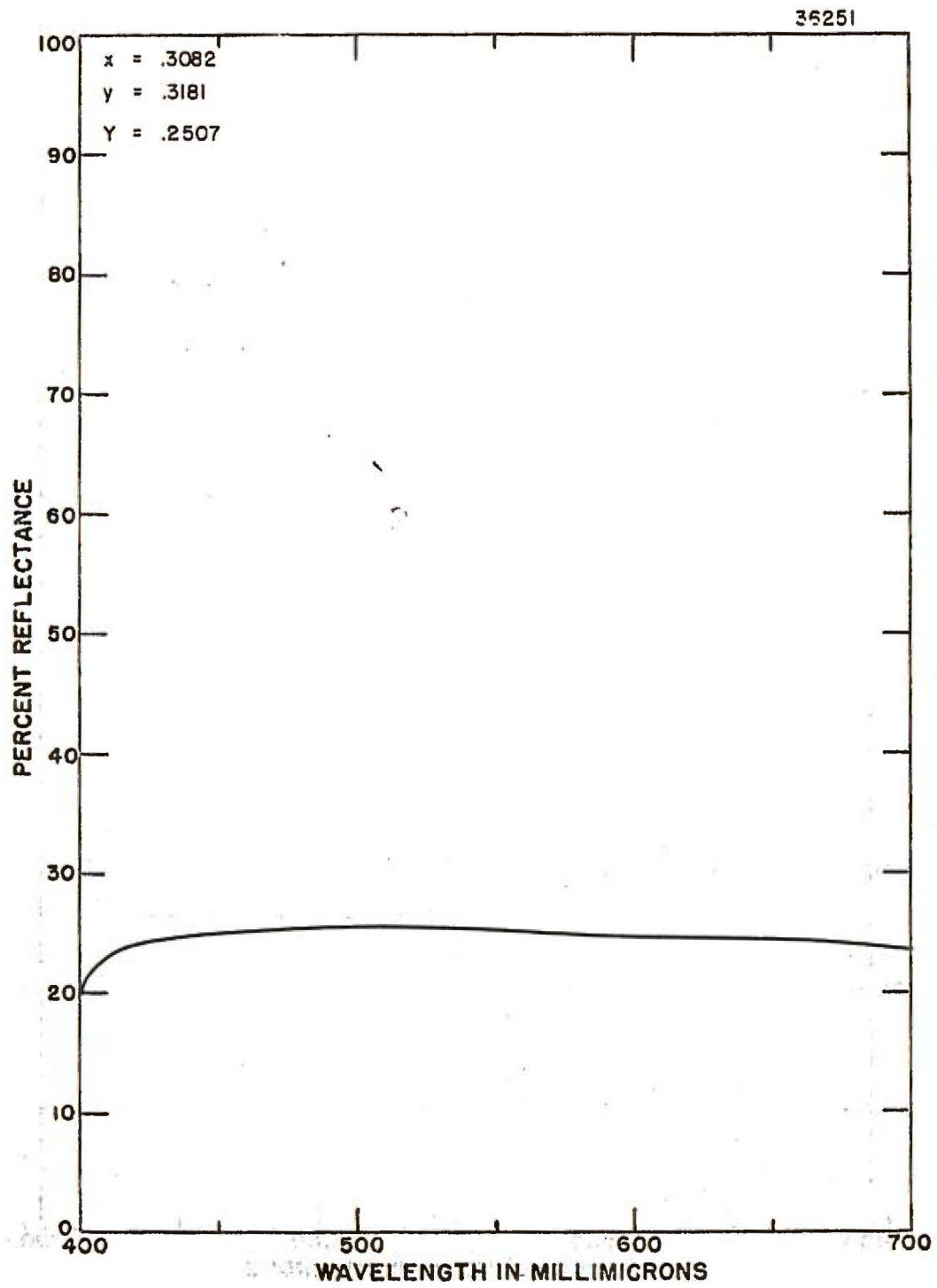


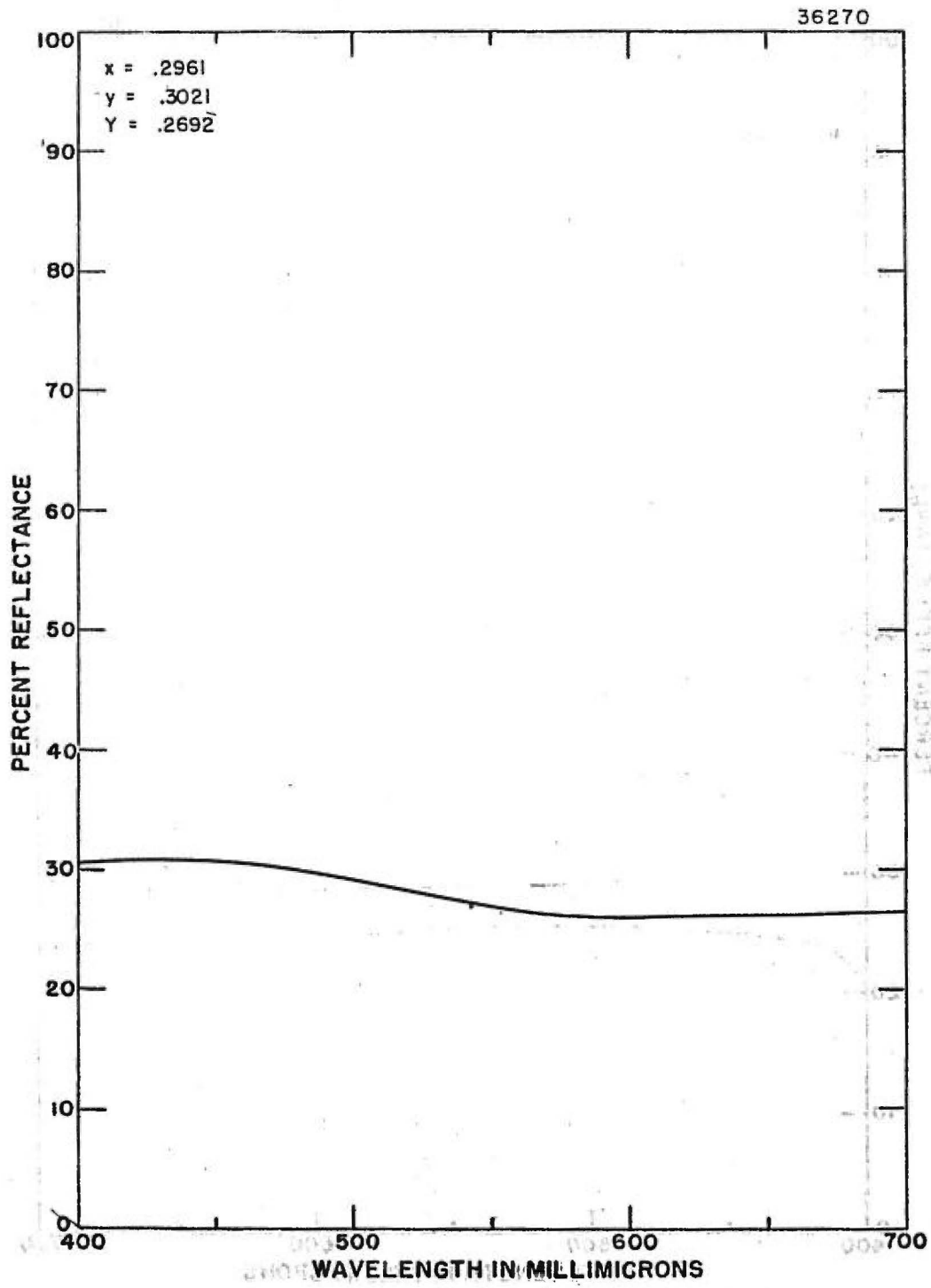


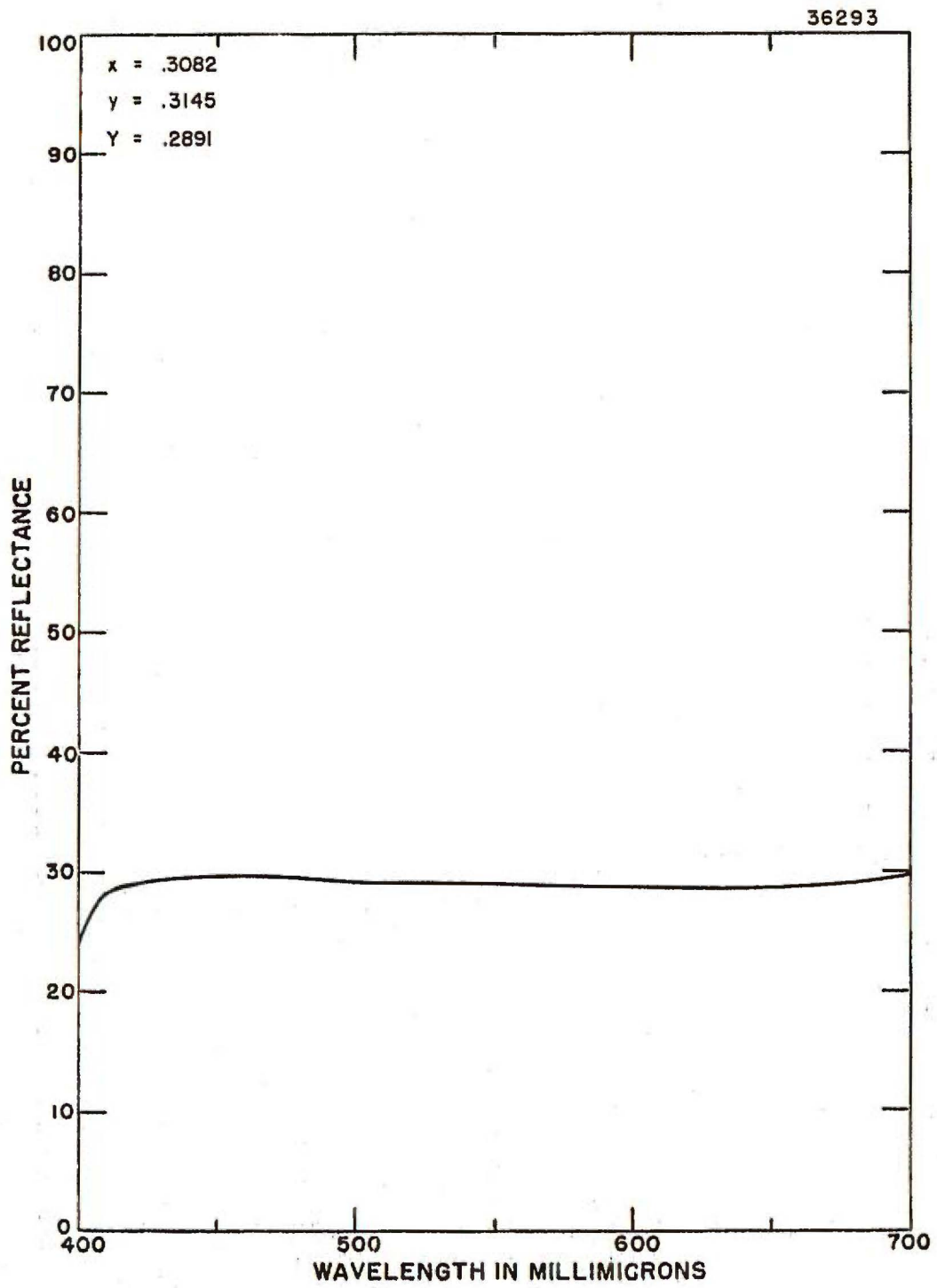


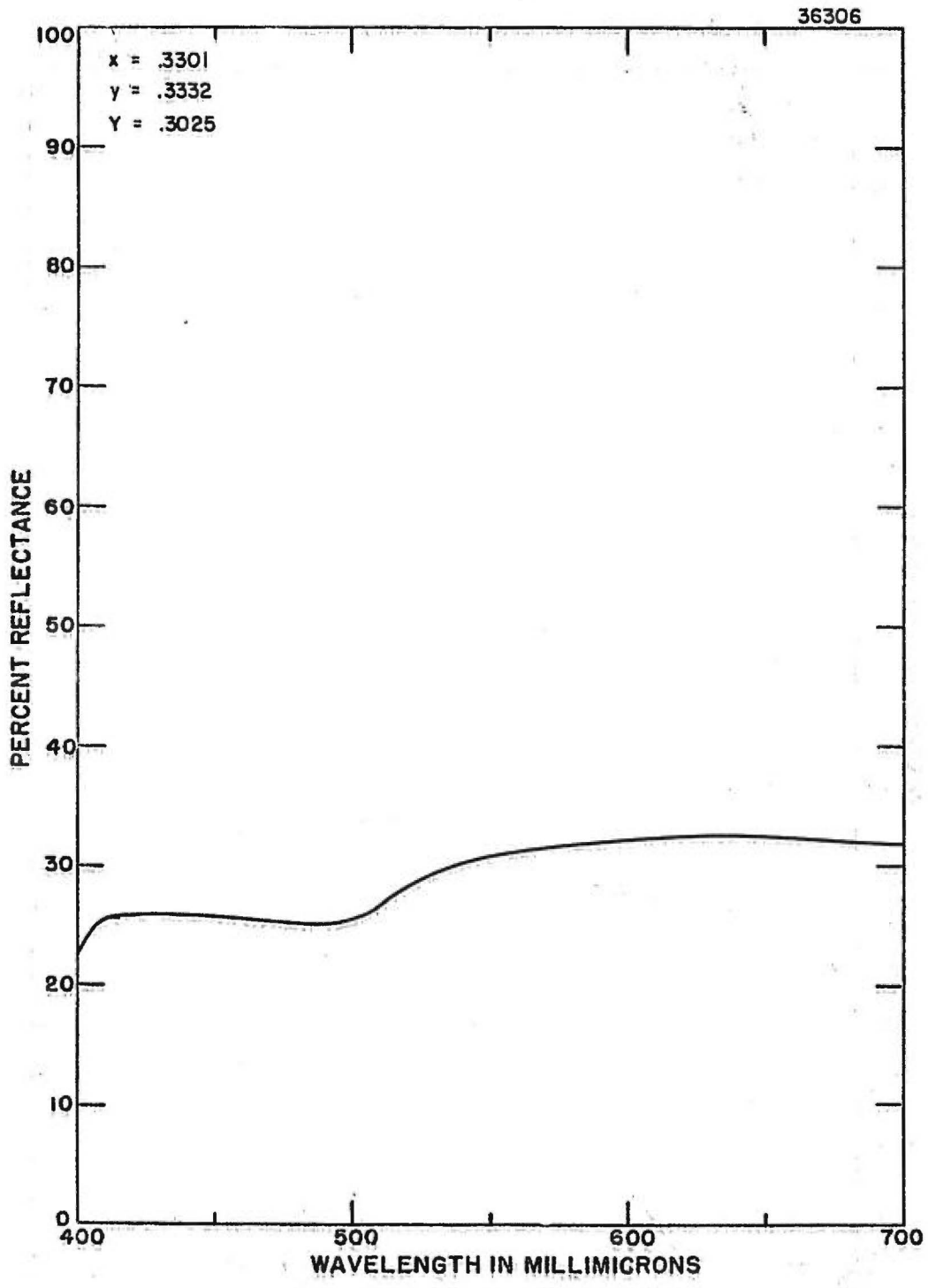


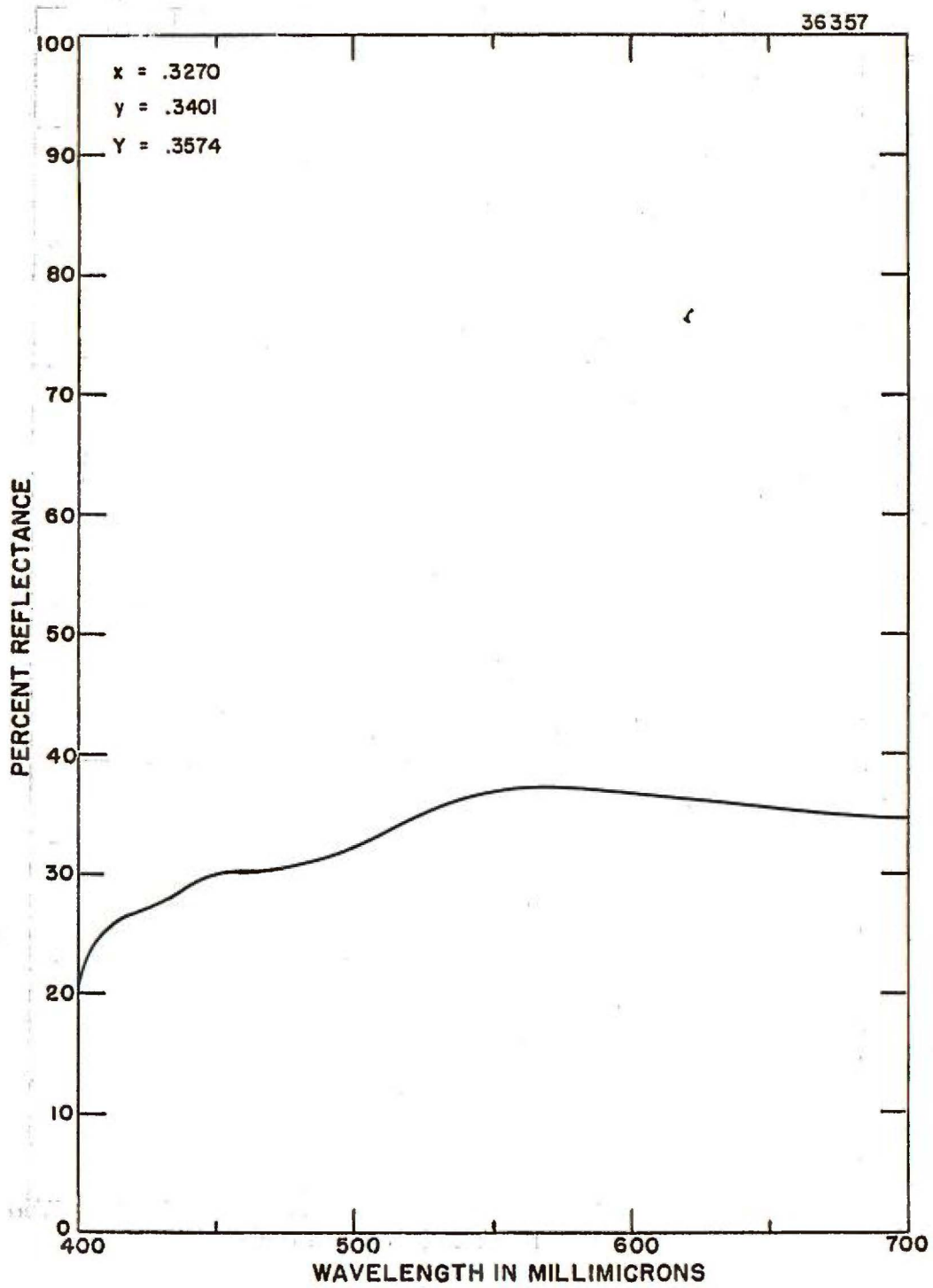


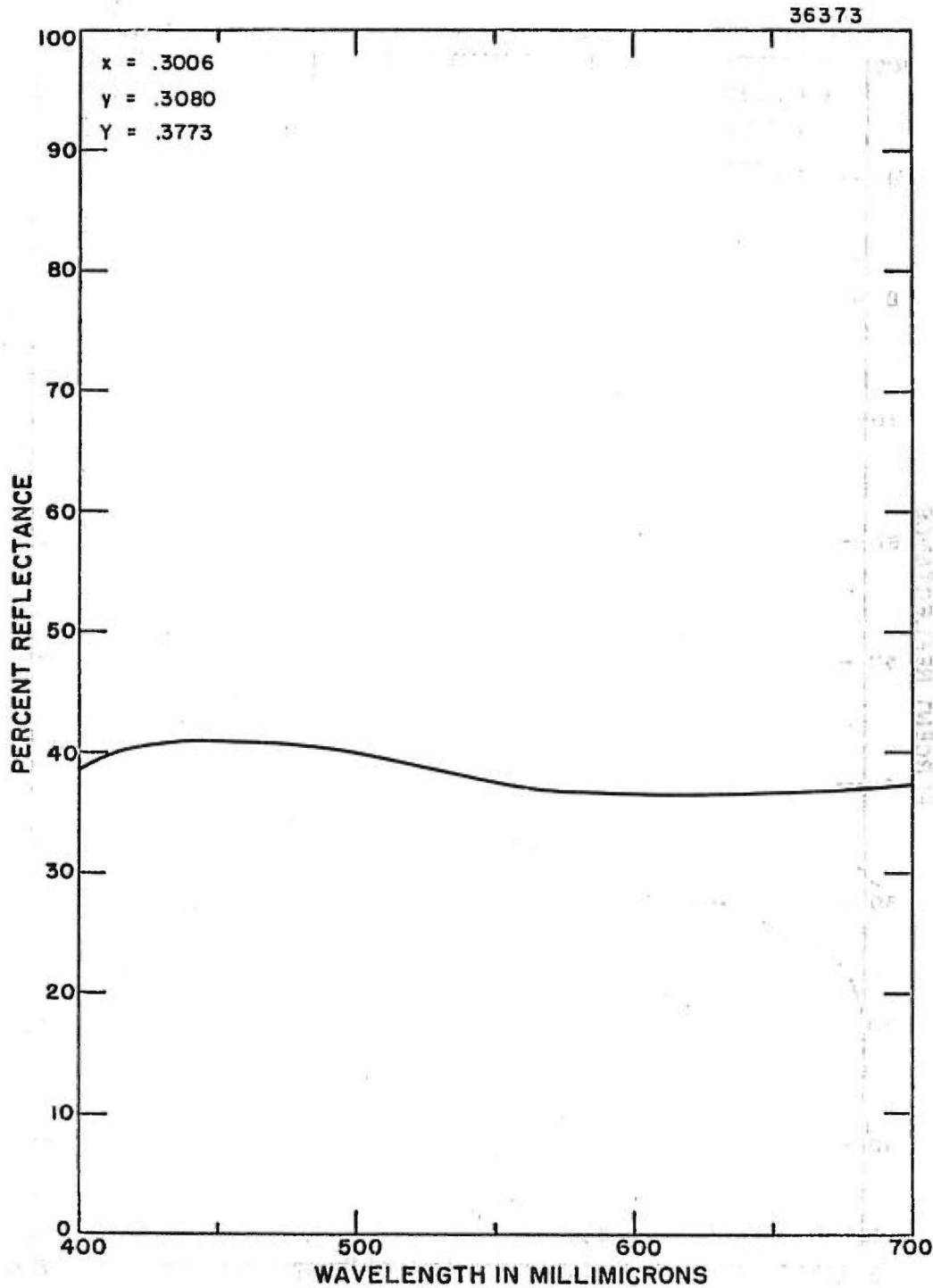


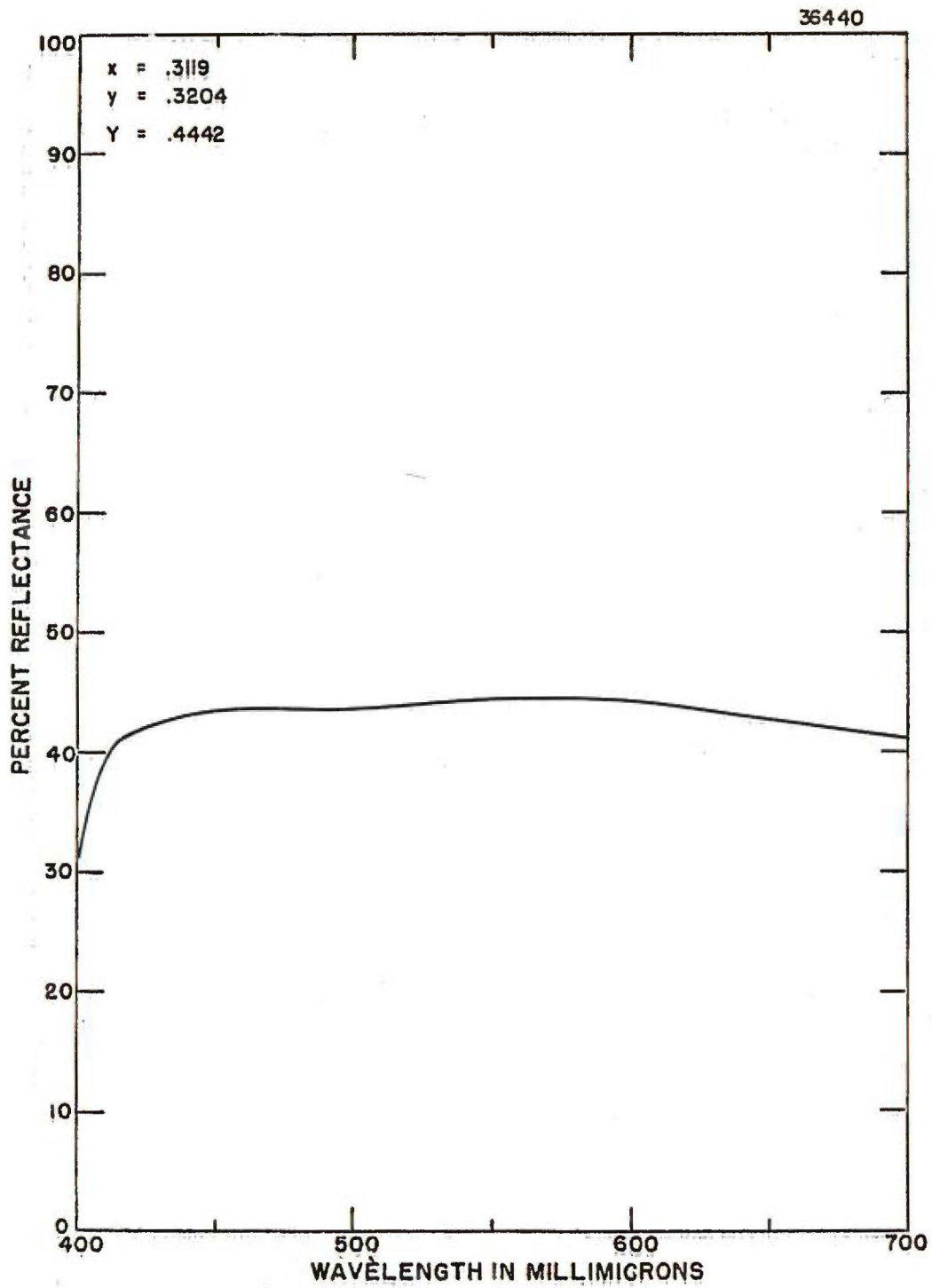


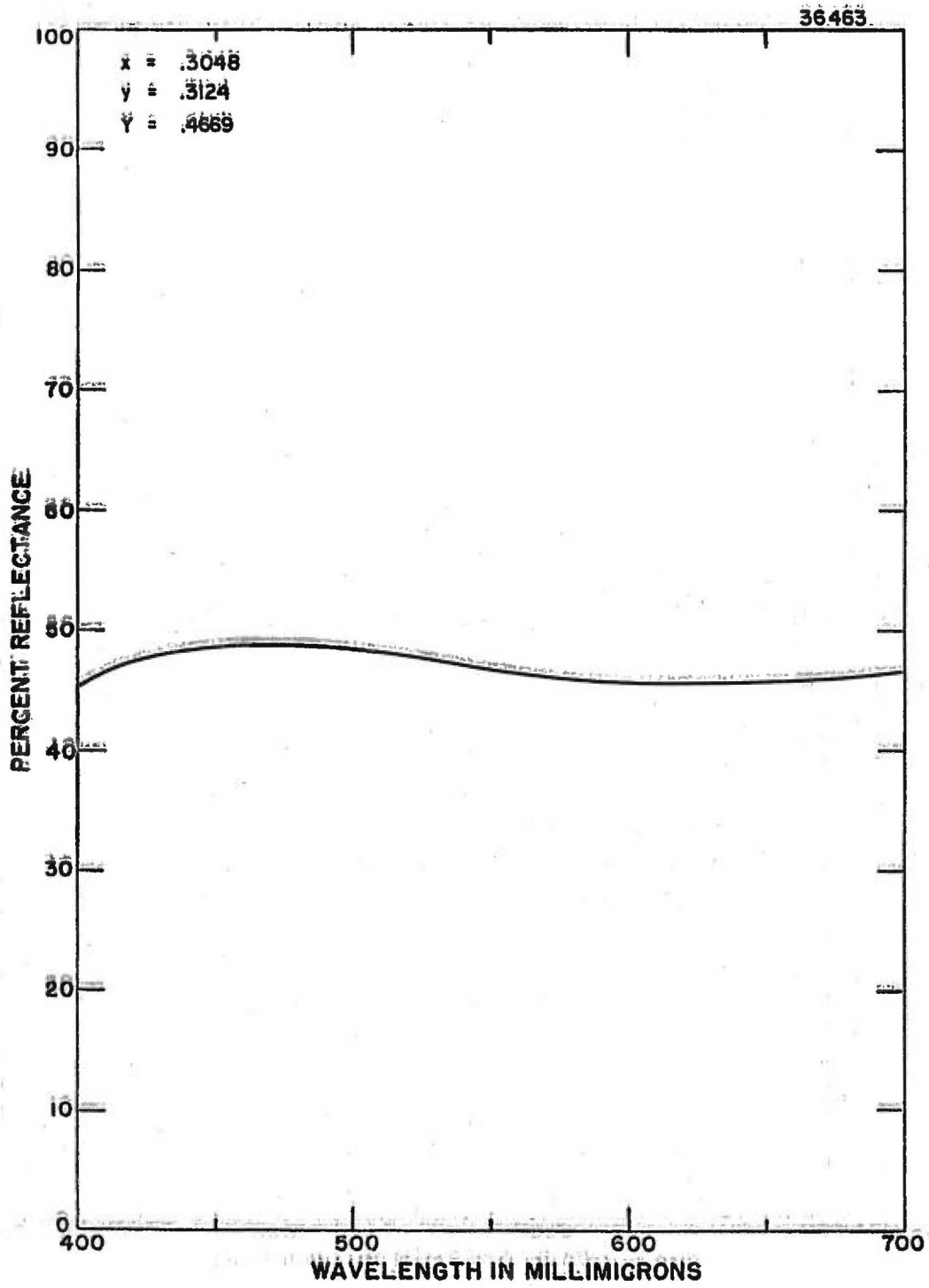




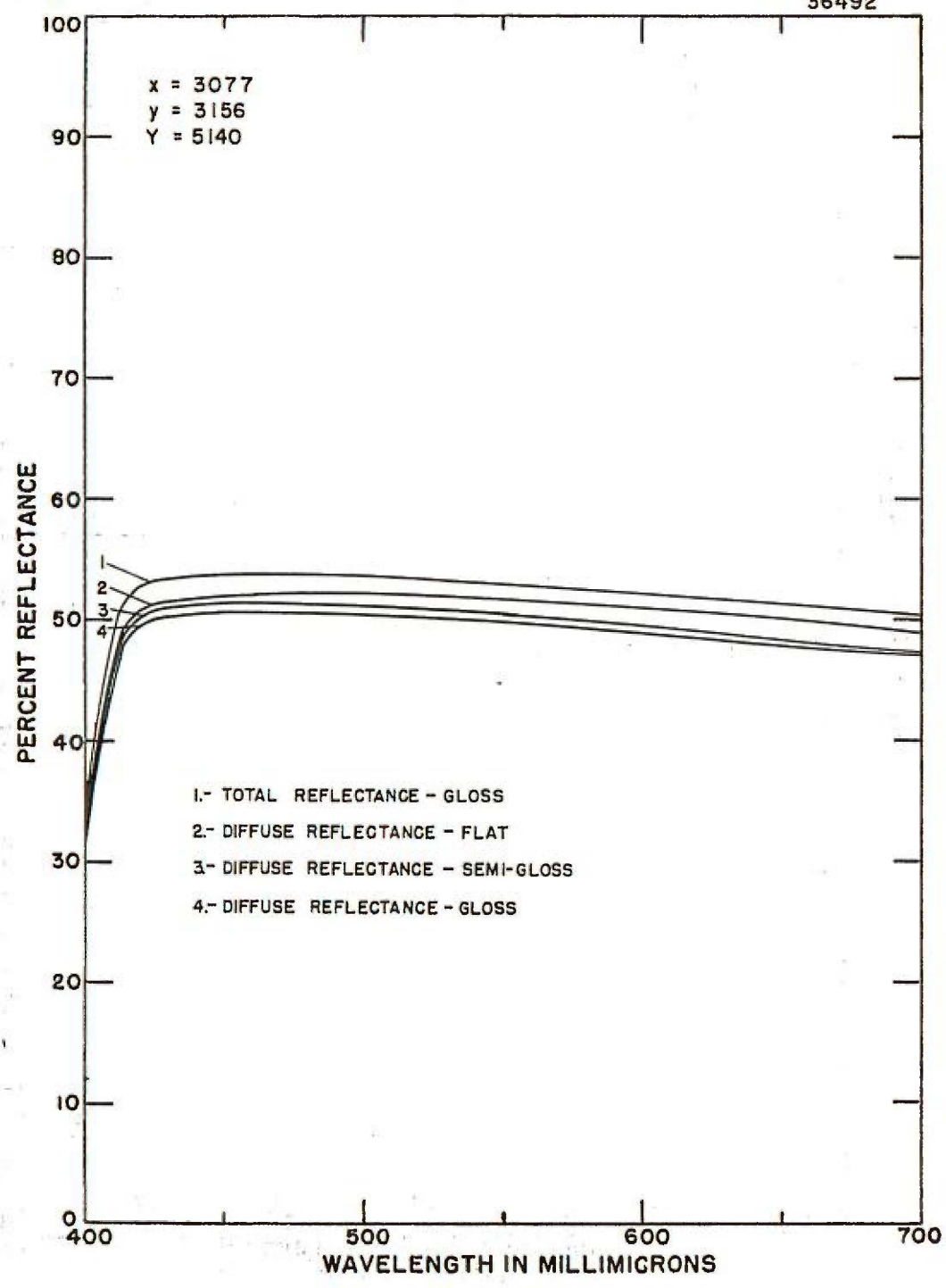




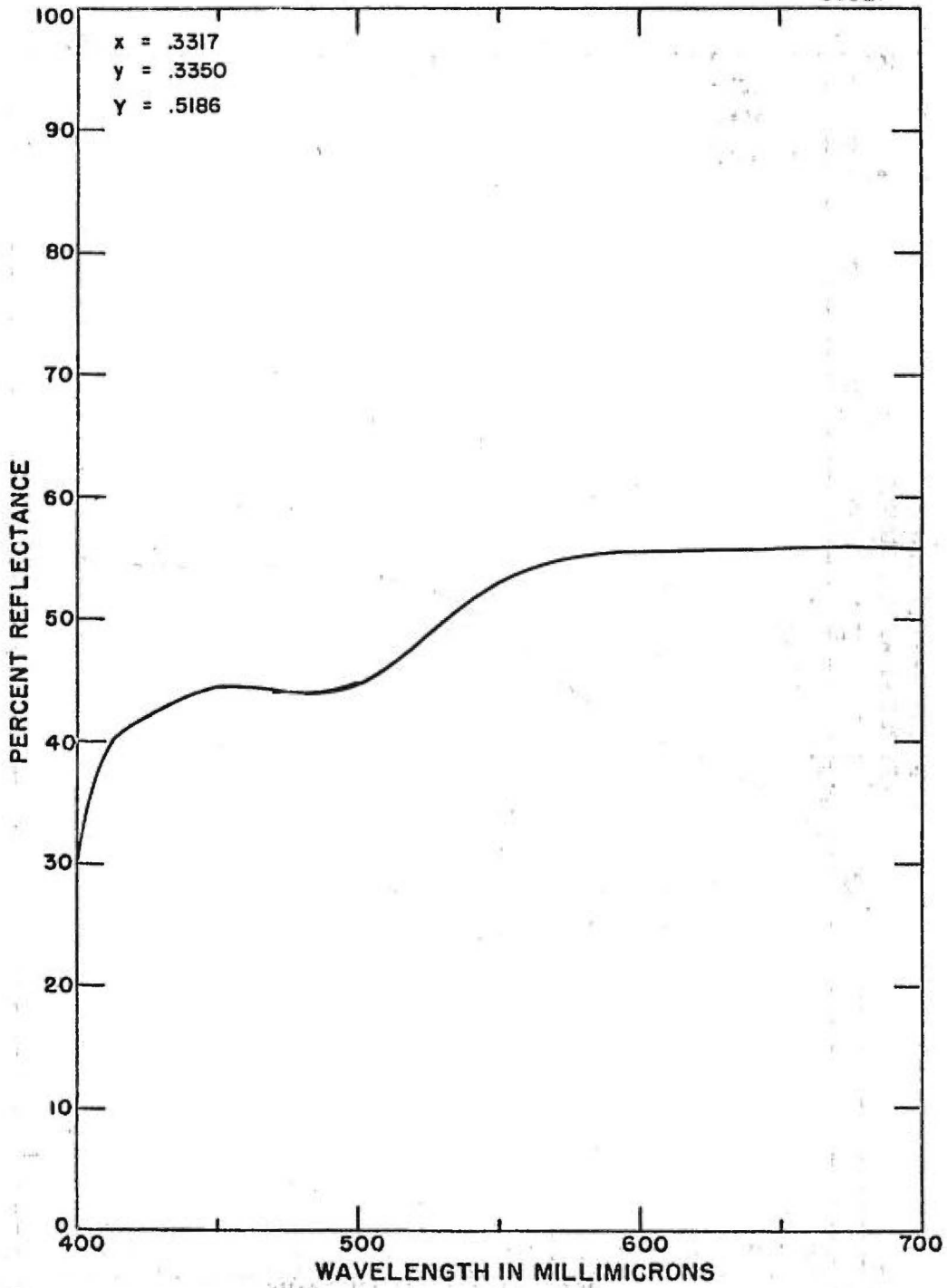


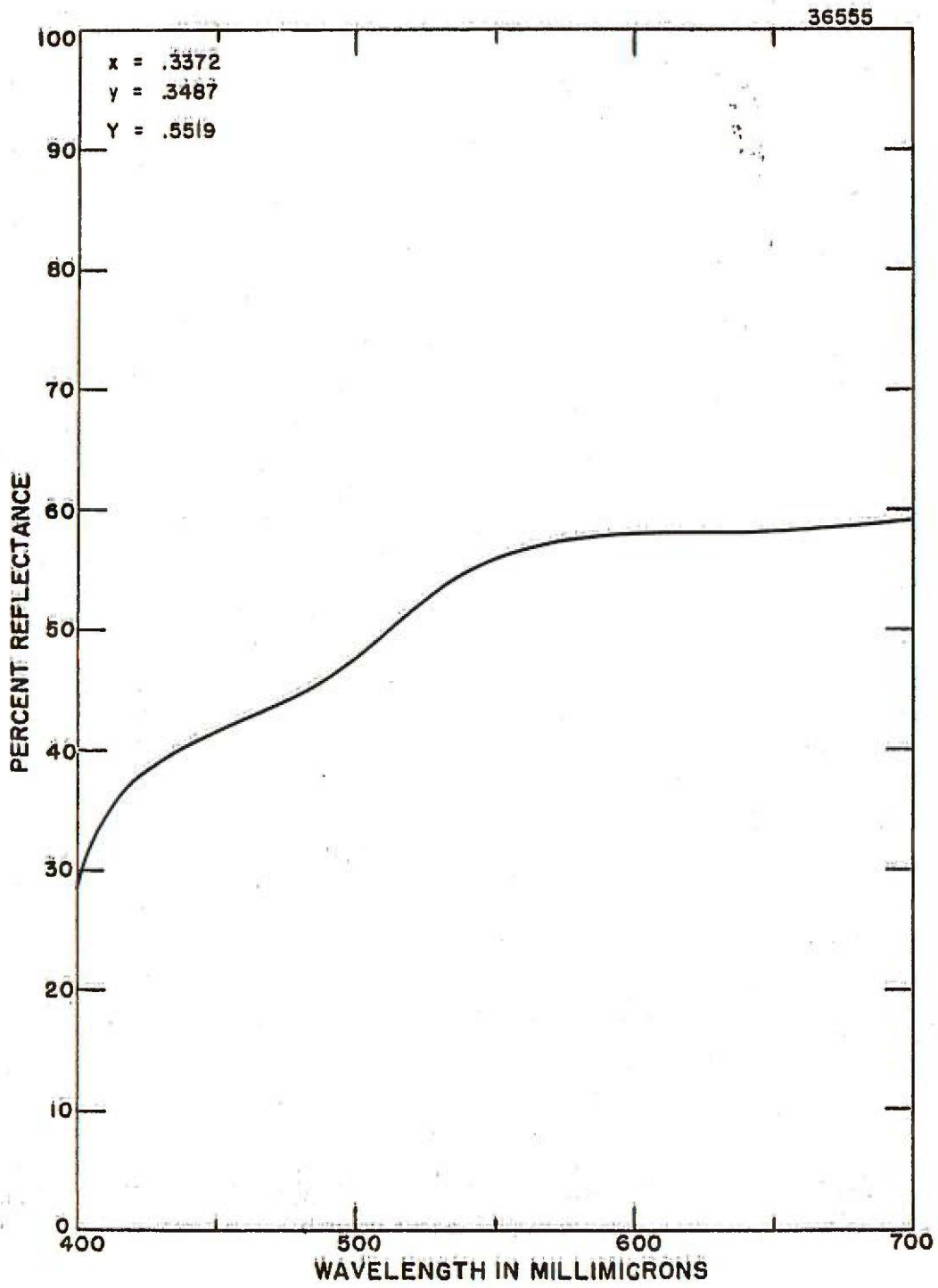


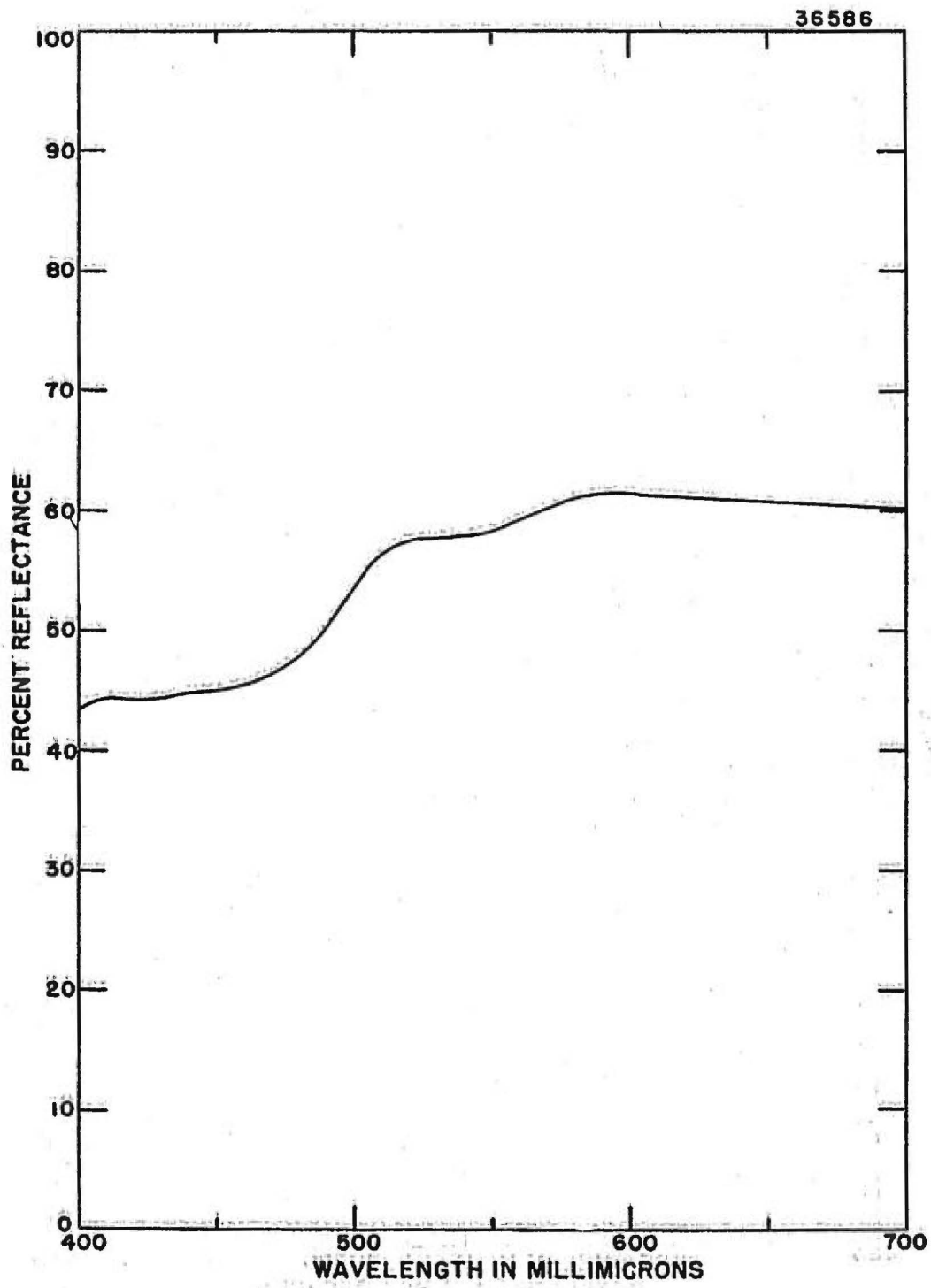
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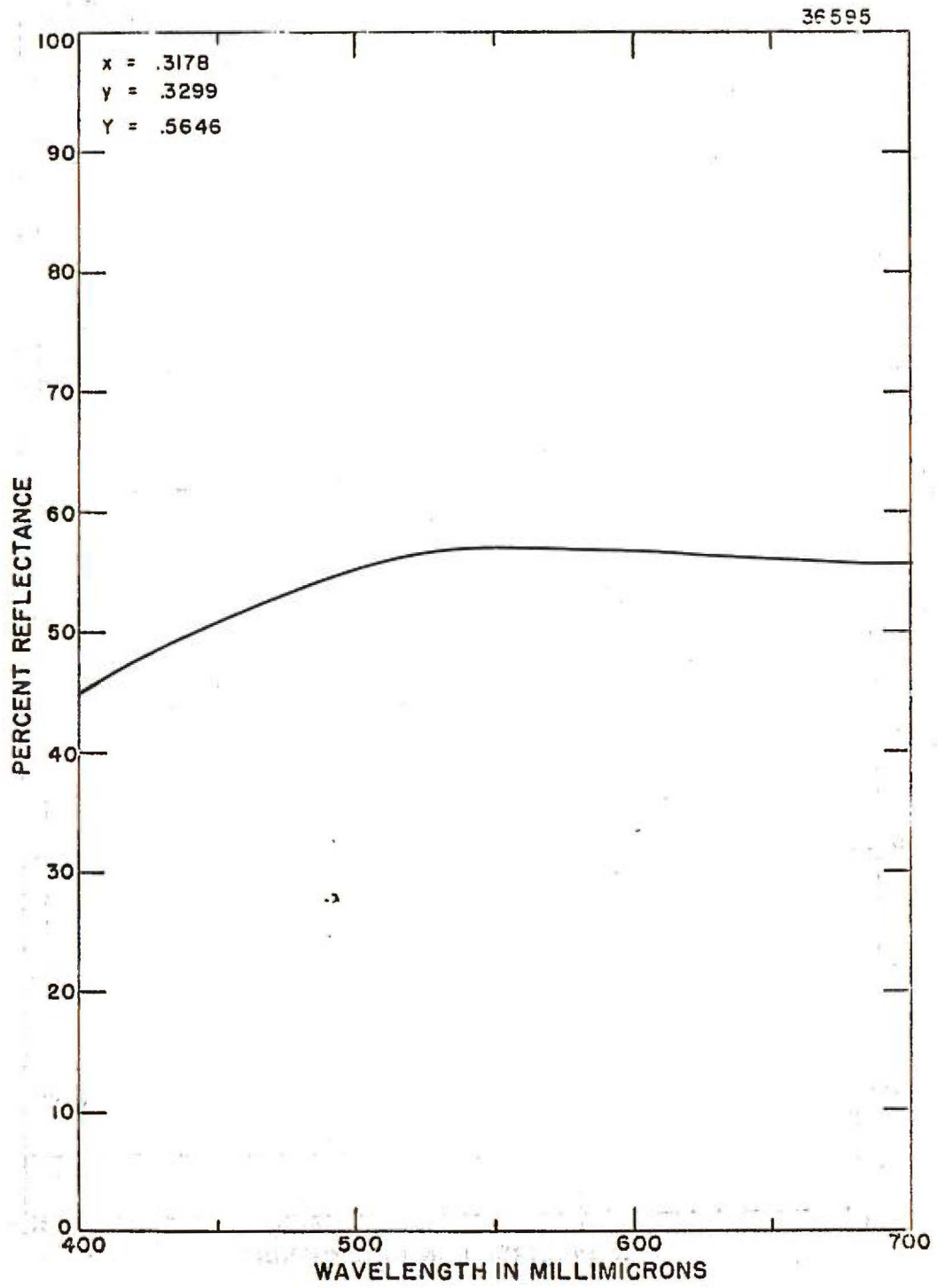


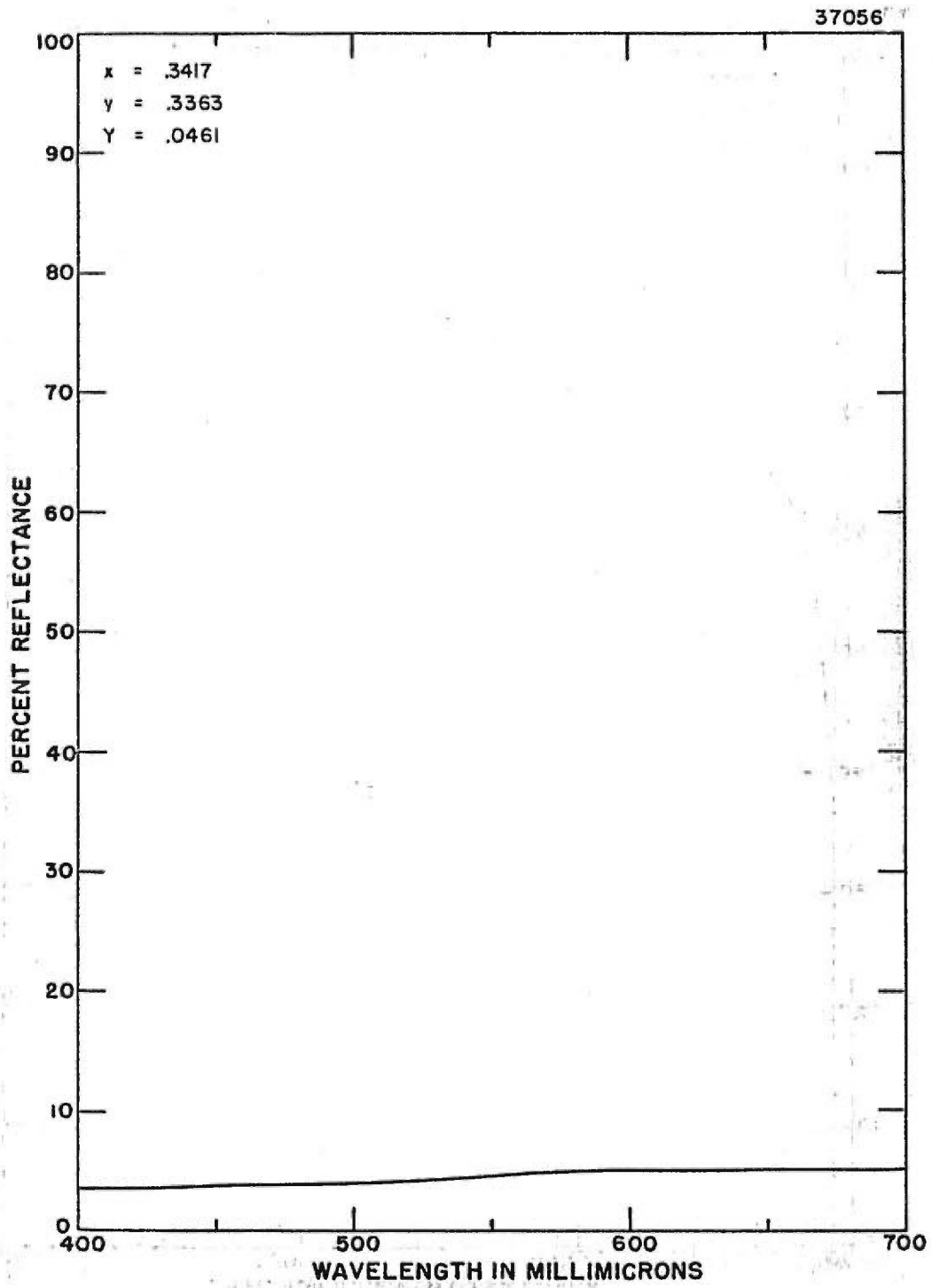
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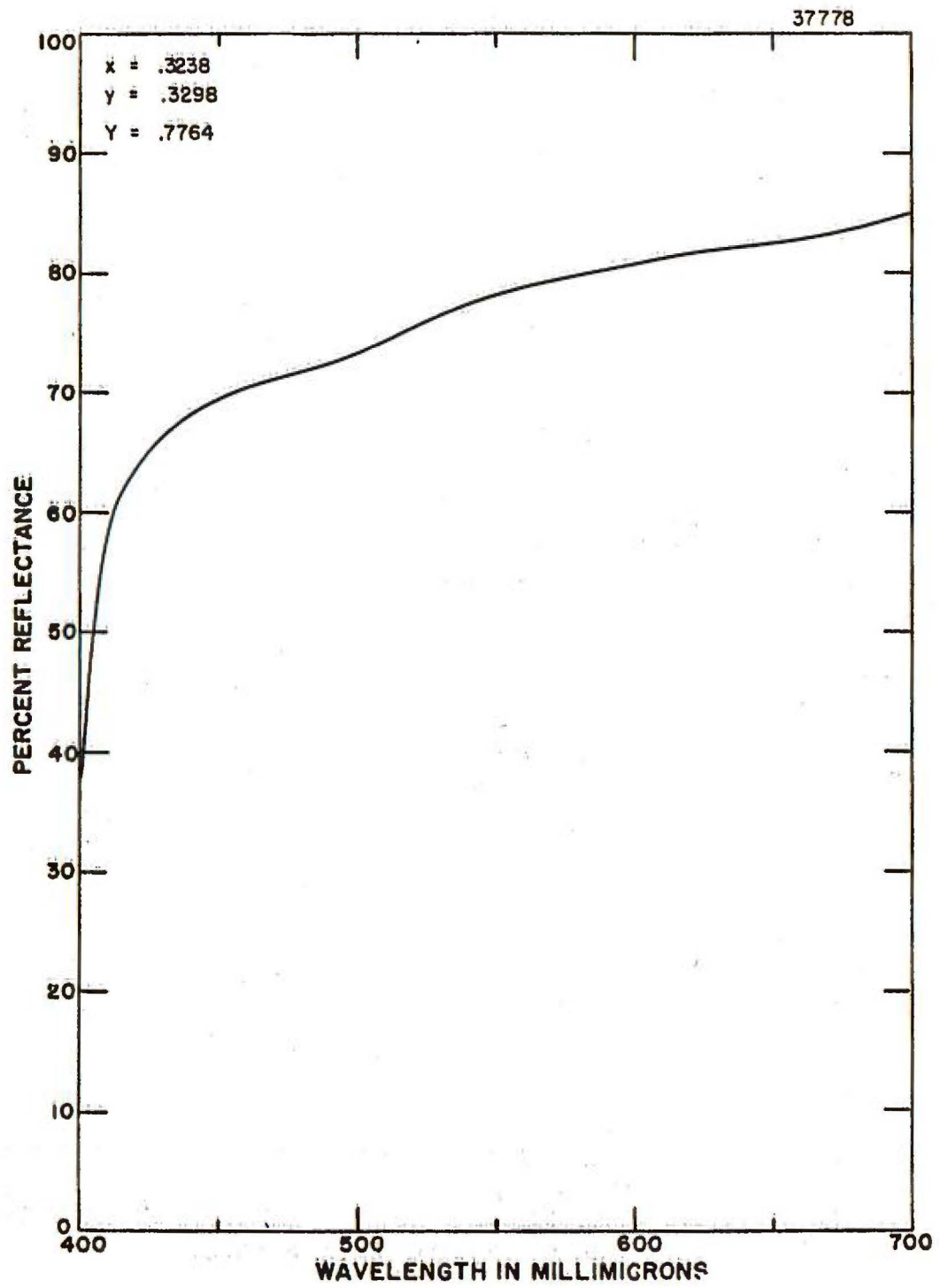








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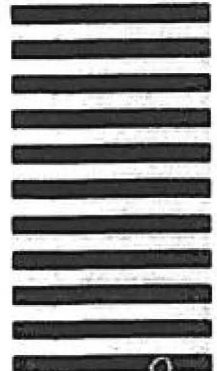


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