

**IG2408**  
**Cruise Report**

This document combines two reports. The first report (pages 2-3) is a report for the cruise IG2408. The second report (pages 4-16) is a report for cruises IG2407, IG2408 and IG2409.



## THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

MARINE SCIENCE INSTITUTE  
GEOPHYSICS LABORATORY  
GALVESTON, TEXAS 77550

700 The Strand  
713 765-2173

14 September 1977

## RESEARCH CRUISE REPORT

## SHIP NAME:

*Ida Green*

## OPERATING INSTITUTION:

University of Texas  
Marine Science Institute

## CLEARANCE COUNTRY:

Dominican Republic

## DATES:

11 August - 18 August 1977

## PROJECT TITLES:

Multichannel Investigation  
Southeast of the Dominican Republic

## PORT CALLS:

Santo Domingo      9 Aug.-11 Aug.  
18 Aug.-21 Aug.

## FOREIGN PARTICIPANTS:

Narciso Almonte, Dominican Navy  
Francisco Xavier Arenemann, Instituto  
Dominicano de Tecnologia Industrial

## SENIOR SCIENTISTS:

Mark Houston and John Ladd

## DESCRIPTION OF SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM:

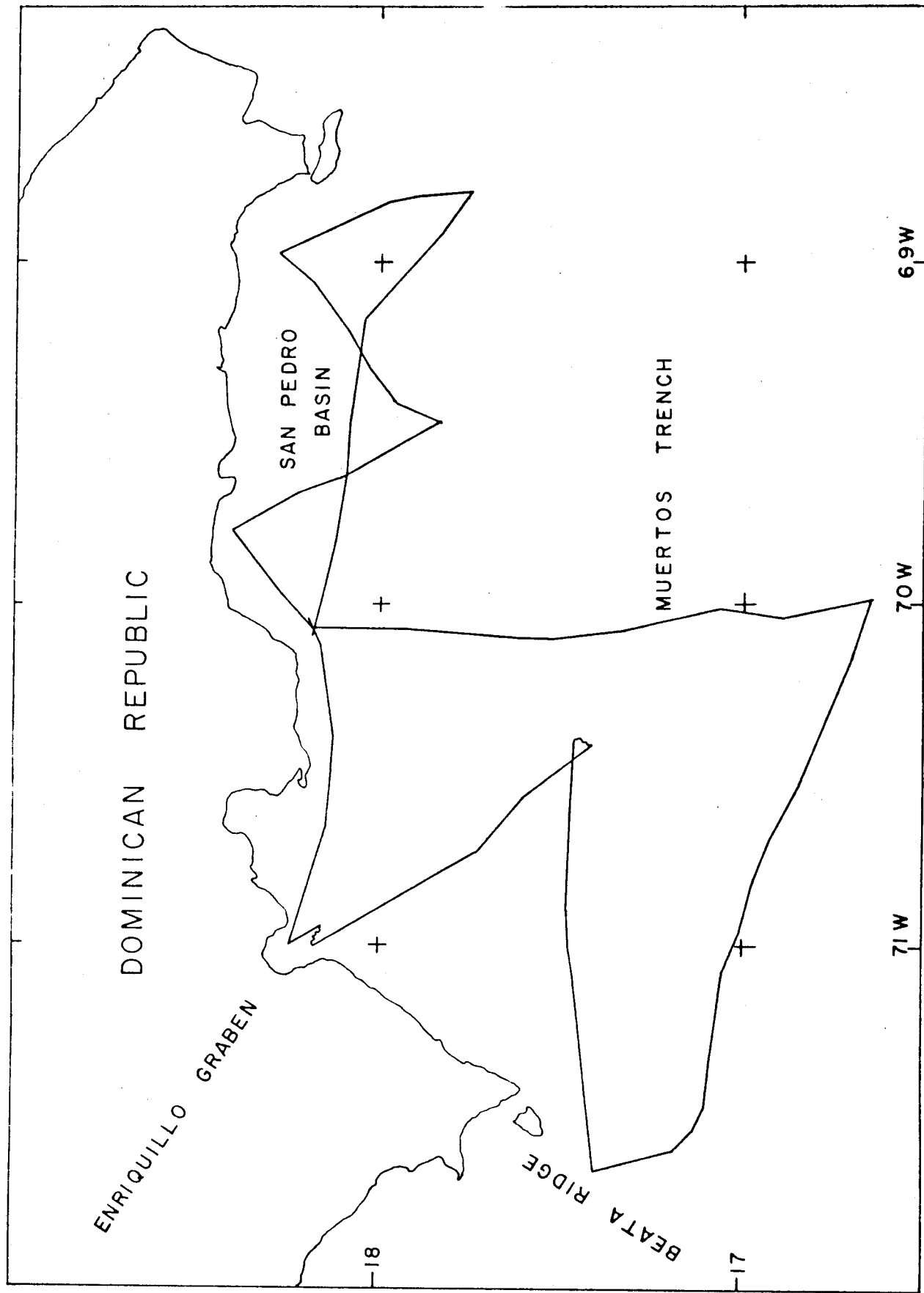
We undertook this marine geophysical survey off the southern coast of the Dominican Republic to investigate the geologic relations among major geologic provinces in the area, including the Beata Ridge, the Enriquillo Graben, the San Pedro Basin, the Muertos Trench, and the Venezuela Basin to the south. The San Pedro Basin is a structural depression that is filled with several kilometers of mildly deformed sediment that has apparently been ponded behind a structural high to the south. Southward from this structural high the sea-floor slopes down to the Muertos Trench. Both the San Pedro Basin and the Muertos Trench terminate westward against the Beata Ridge and its northward extension in the Dominican Republic. Several Late Cretaceous to Early Tertiary mountain ridges trend northwest-southeast on land in the Dominican Republic and may have influenced the development of the structural features to the south. The data gathered on this cruise, together with data gathered farther offshore on earlier cruises, will help to develop a clear picture of the present geologic structure and stratigraphy of this region and the tectonic development of this region through time.

## OBSERVATIONS AND SAMPLES:

600 nautical miles of bathymetric, magnetic, and deep penetration seismic data collected simultaneously along entire track (see accompanying track chart).  
Location of data: See letterhead above.

## NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTACT TO WHOM INQUIRIES REGARDING CRUISE SHOULD BE MADE:

John W. Ladd  
(See letterhead address above.)





THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

MARINE SCIENCE INSTITUTE  
GEOPHYSICS LABORATORY  
GALVESTON, TEXAS 77550

700 The Strand  
713 765-2173

16 September 1977

RESEARCH CRUISE REPORT

Leg: IG 24-7  
IG 24-8  
IG 24-9

SHIP NAME:

R/V *Ida Green*

OPERATING INSTITUTION:

University of Texas  
Marine Science Institute

PROJECT TITLES:

- 1) Geophysical Investigations of  
the Middle America Trench (MAT)
- 2) Multichannel Investigation  
Southeast of the Dominican Republic

PORT CALLS:

Puntarenas, Costa Rica	18 July
	19 July
Balboa, Panama	28 July - 2 Aug.
Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic	9 Aug. - 11 Aug.
	18 Aug. - 21 Aug.

CHIEF SCIENTIST:

Dr. M. H. Houston

GENERAL SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM:

Cruise IG 24 of the R/V *Ida Green* was directed toward geophysical and geological investigations of the MAT. Delineation of the detailed structure and geologic history of the MAT is vital to our understanding of an "active" continental margin in the light of plate tectonics.

Leg IG 24-7

CLEARANCE COUNTRIES:

Nicaragua  
Costa Rica  
Panama

DATES:

18 July - 28 July

FOREIGN SCIENTISTS:

None.

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM:

The general track for IG 24-7 is shown in Figures 1 and 2. Over all tracks continuous measurements of bathymetry and magnetics were recorded. The dashed lines indicate multichannel seismic profiles of 120 n.m. Figure 3 indicates the position of 4 refraction shots to an array of seismometers located on Nicoya Peninsula. Figure 4 shows the location of 5 piston-core samples. Figure 5 shows the location of a 90 n.m. multichannel seismic survey off the coast of Nicaragua; Figure 6 indicates a 250 n.m. seismic survey off Panama.

Page 2  
Research Cruise Report  
16 September 1977

Leg IG 24-8

CLEARANCE COUNTRIES:

Panama  
Nicaragua  
Dominican Republic

DATES:

2 Aug. to 18 Aug.

FOREIGN SCIENTISTS (R.D. only)

Narciso Almonte, Dominican Navy  
Francisco Arnemann, INDOTEC

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM:

The general track for the first part of IG 24-8 is shown in Figure 7. The dashed lines in Figures 7 and 8 indicate a multichannel seismic profile of 120 n.m. Figure 9 shows the locations of two other seismic lines of 105 n.m. shot in the area on IG 24-1. The general track of 600 n.m. for the second part of IG 24-8 is indicated in Figure 10. (See detailed Research Report for Dominican work by project scientist Dr. John W. Ladd.)

Leg IG 24-9

CLEARANCE COUNTRIES:

None

DATES:

21 Aug. to 29 Aug.

FOREIGN SCIENTISTS:

None

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM:

Only underway geophysics (bathymetry and magnetics) data were collected along the track of IG 24-9 as indicated in Figure 11.

KEY CONTACT:

Dr. M. H. Houston  
University of Texas  
Marine Science Institute  
Geophysics Laboratory  
700 The Strand  
Galveston, TX 77550

Tel. (713) 765-2915

# IG 24-7 Trackchart - Part I

Nicaragua Multichannel Profiling

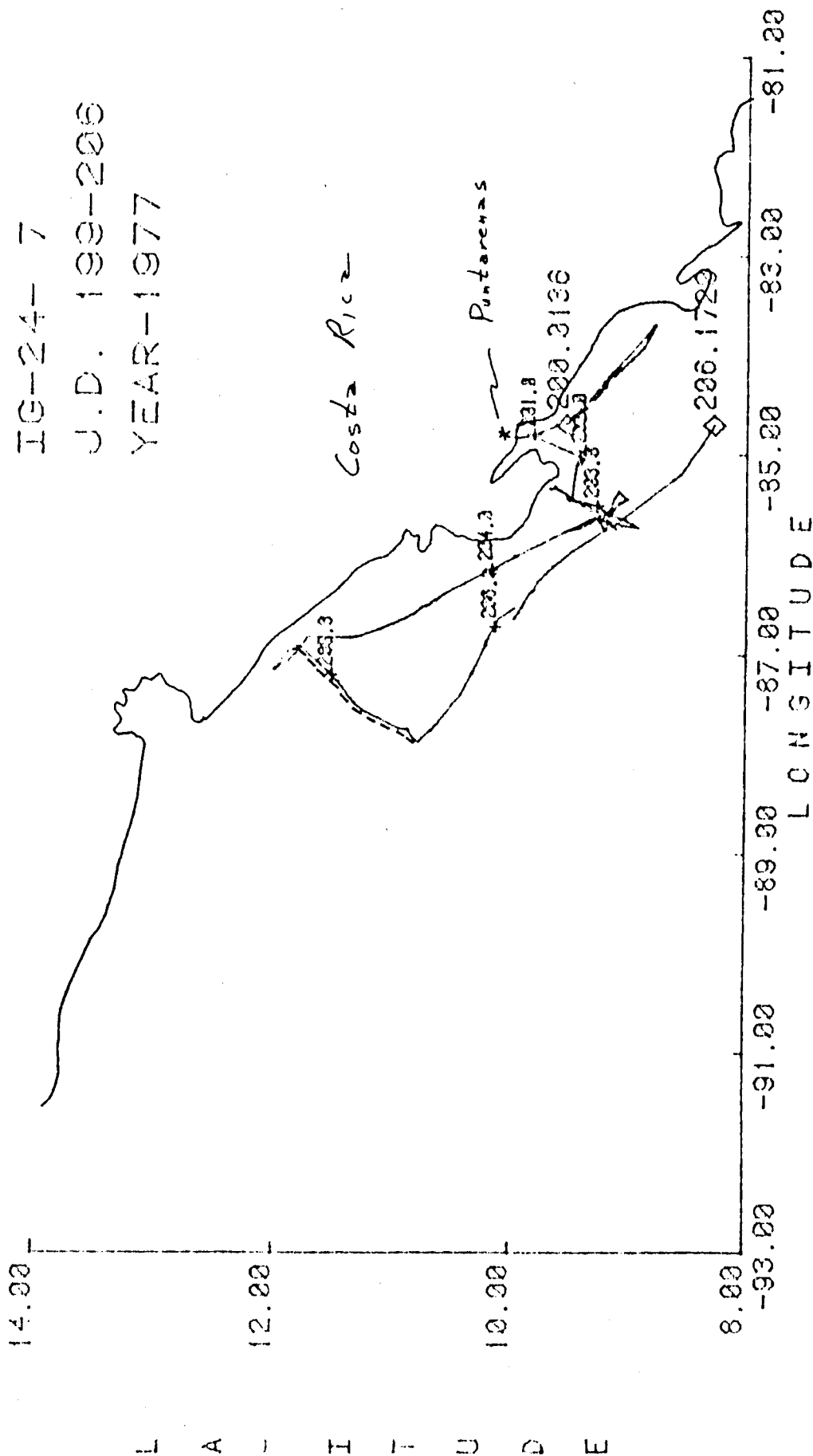


Fig. 1

# IG 24-7 Trackchart - Part II

Panama Multichannel Profiling

IG-24- 7  
J.D. 206-210  
YEAR-1977

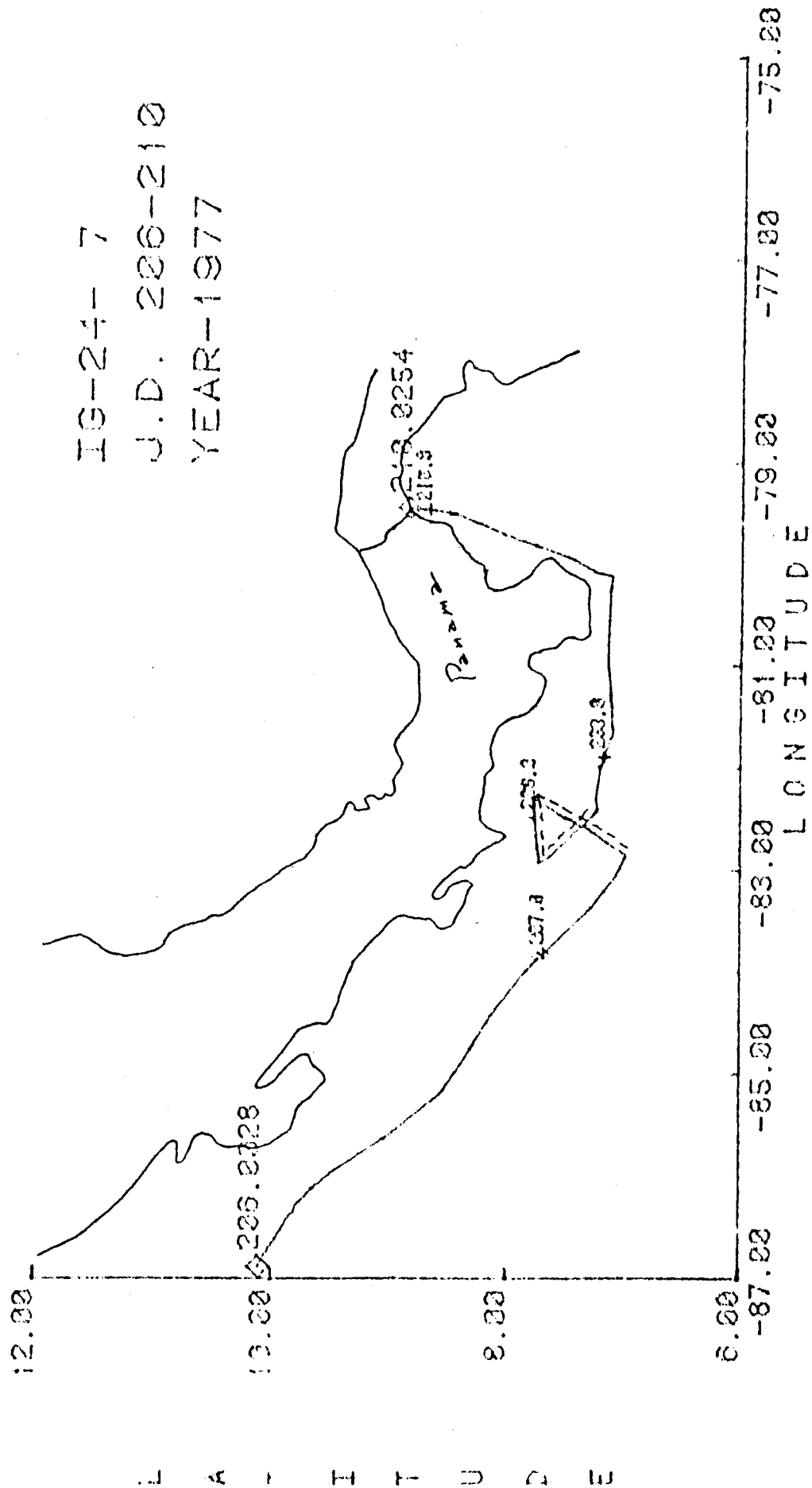


Fig. 2

# Nicoya Refraction Experiment

HEG-24-17  
J.D. 19-288  
KEAR-1977

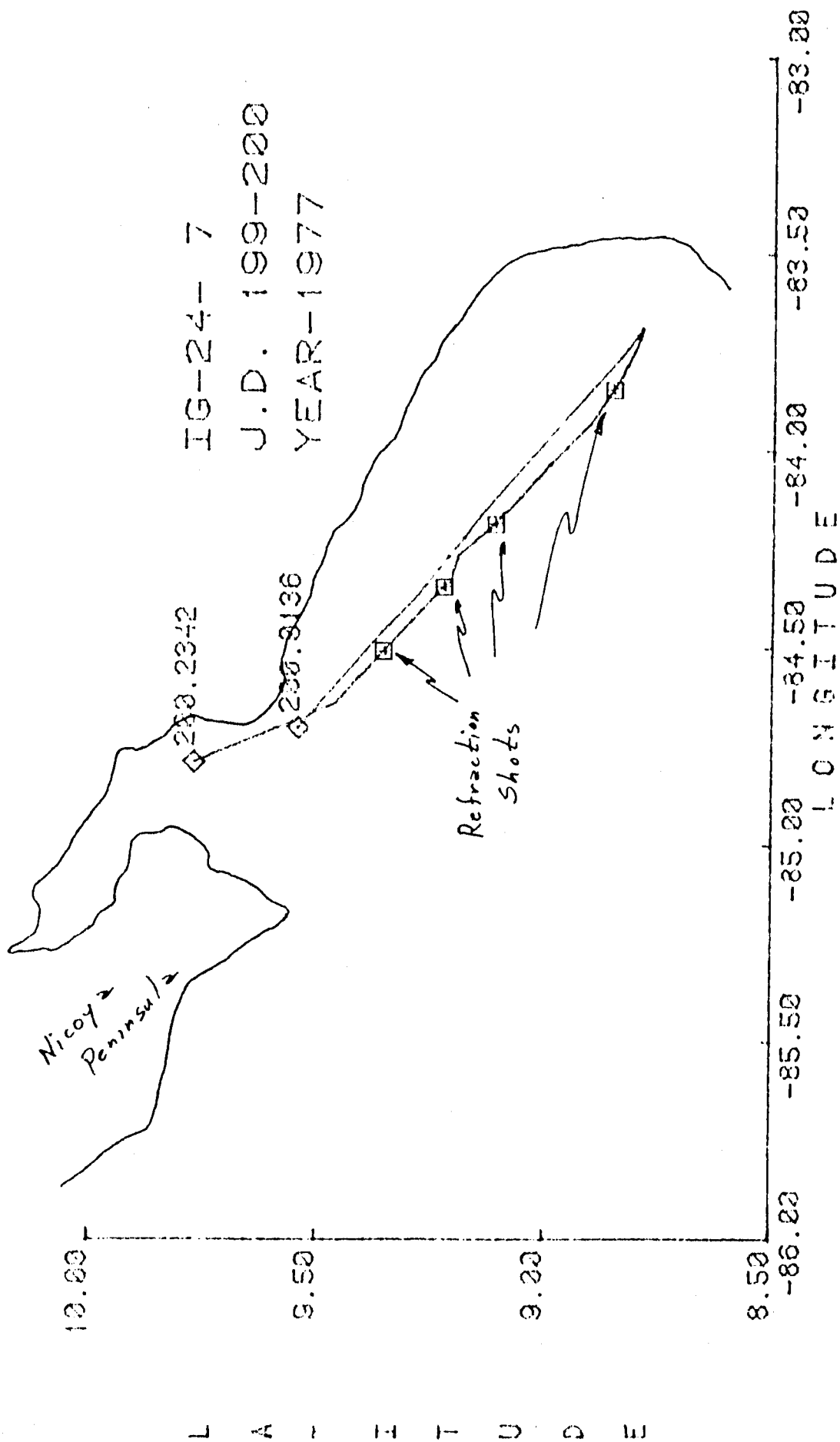


Fig. 3



Costa Rica  
 Core Locations

IG-24- 7  
 J.D. 201-203  
 YEAR-1977

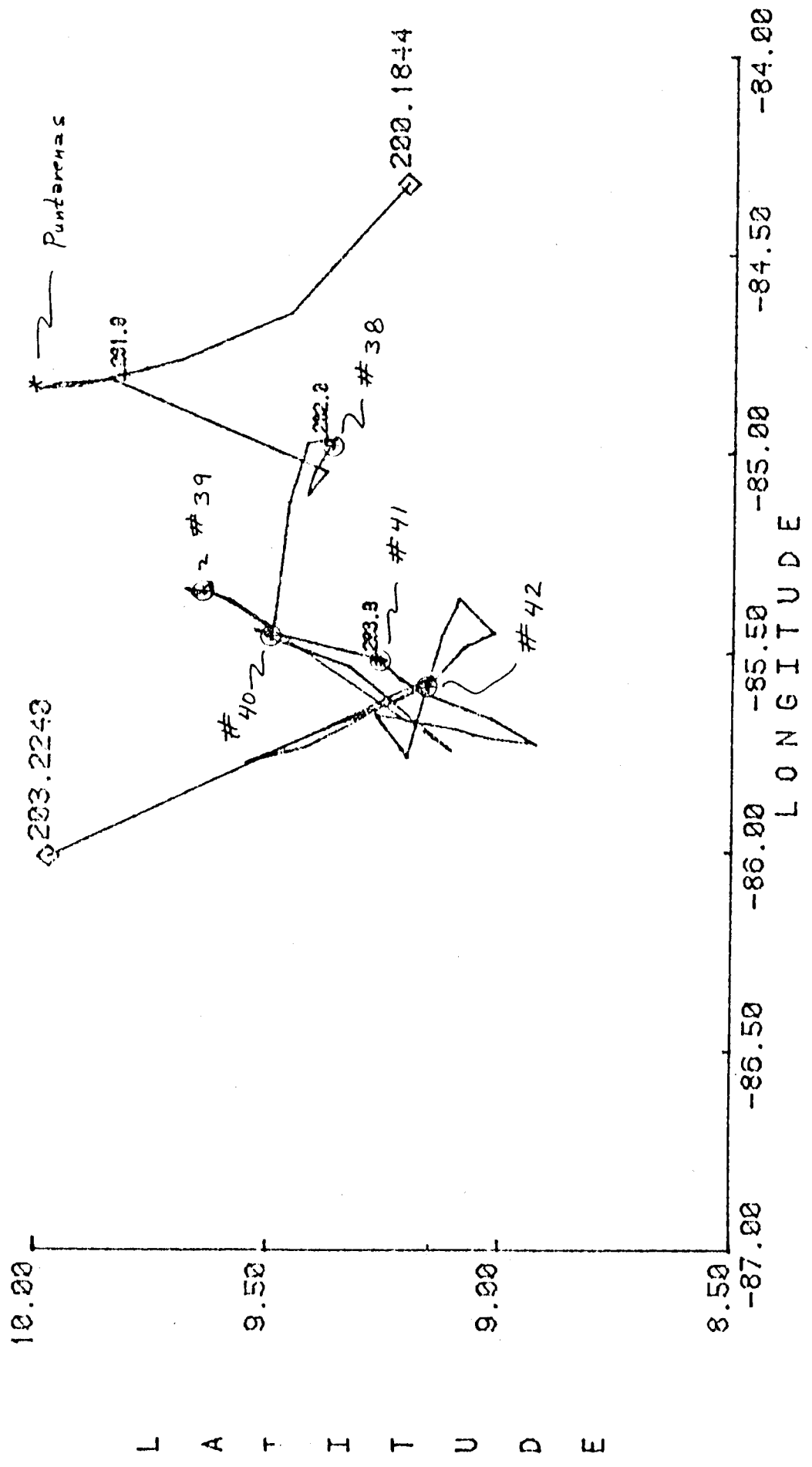


Fig. 4

# Nicaragua Multichannel Profiling

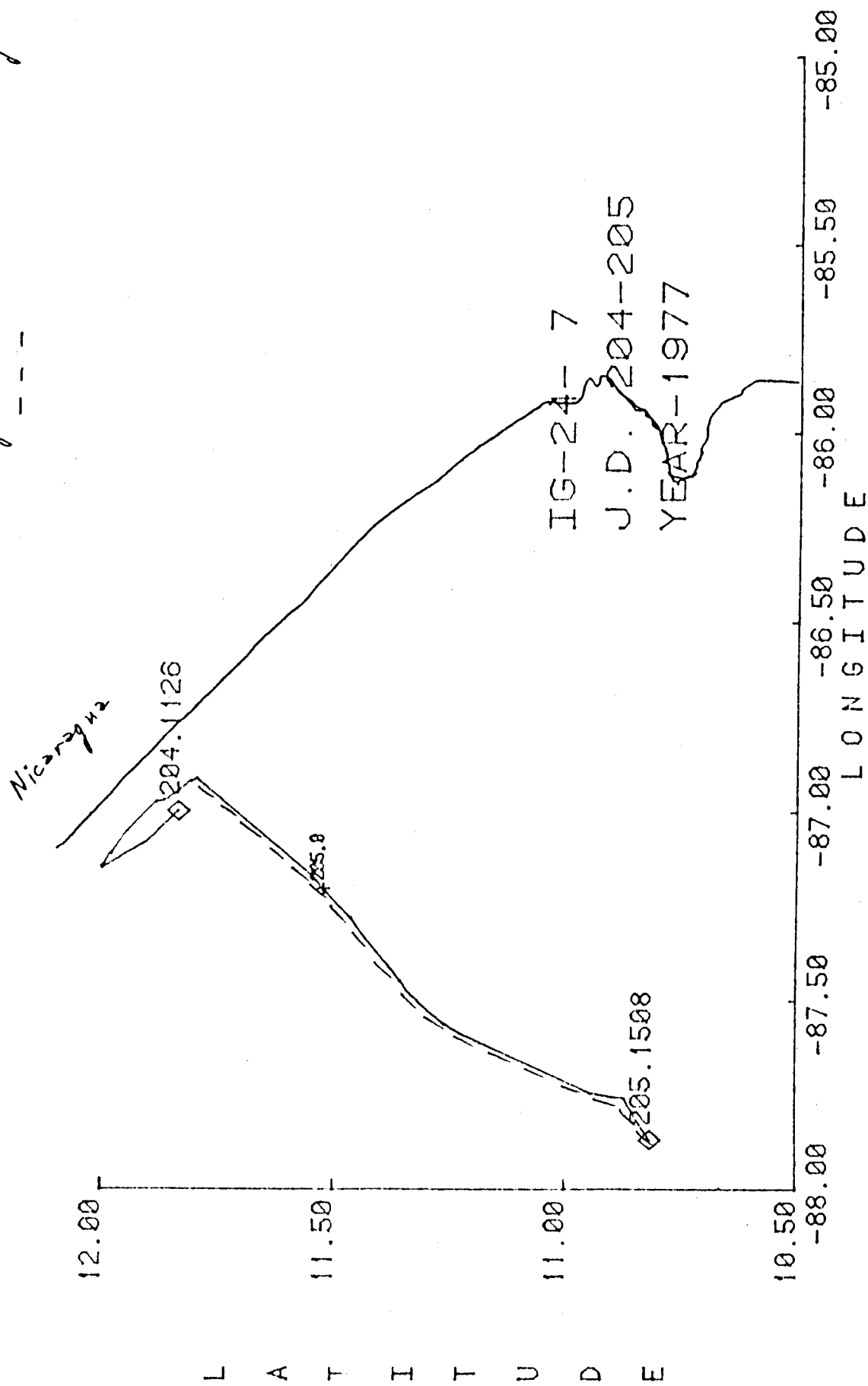


Fig. 5

# Panama Multichannel Profiling

IG-24- 7  
J.D. 227-228  
YEAR-1977

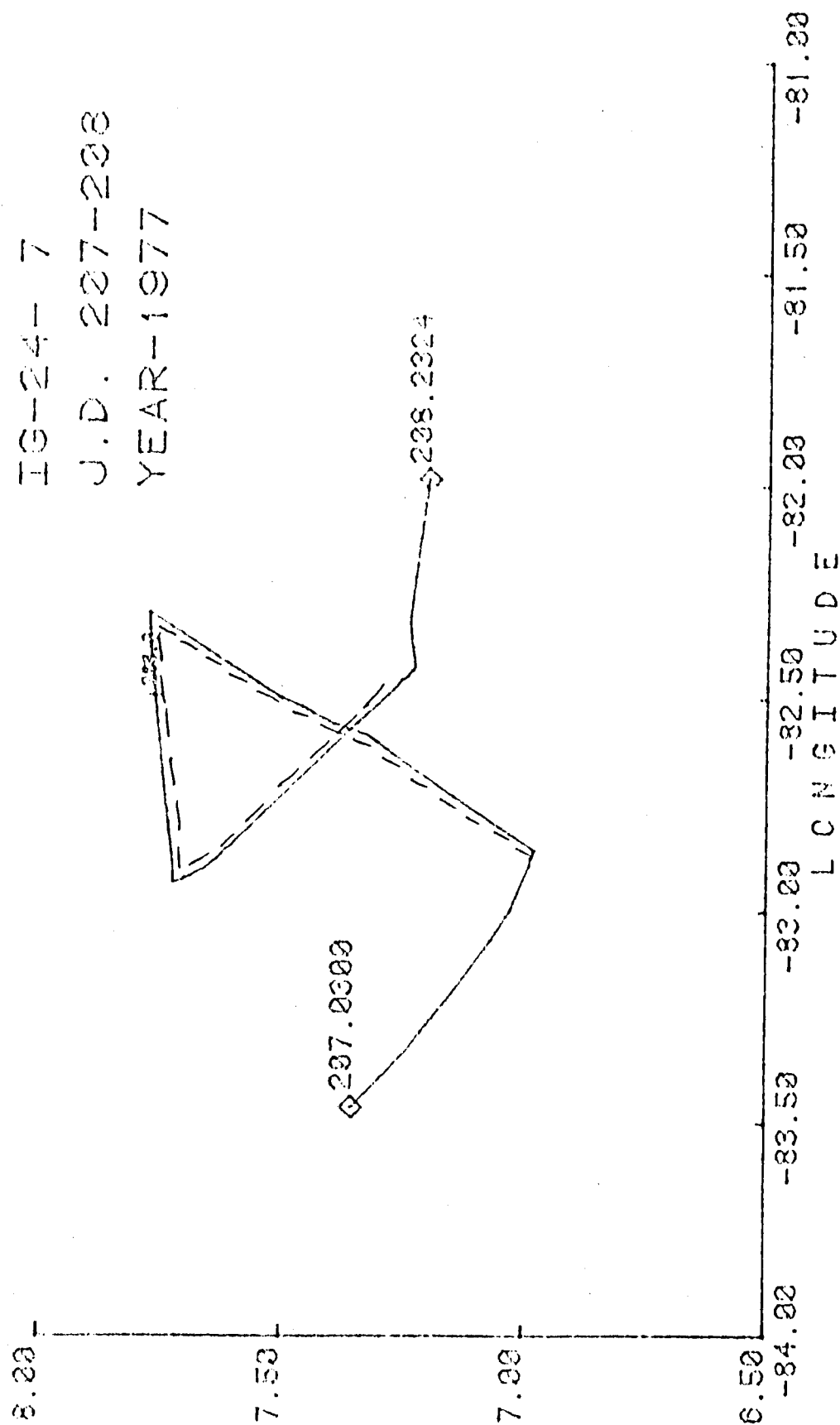
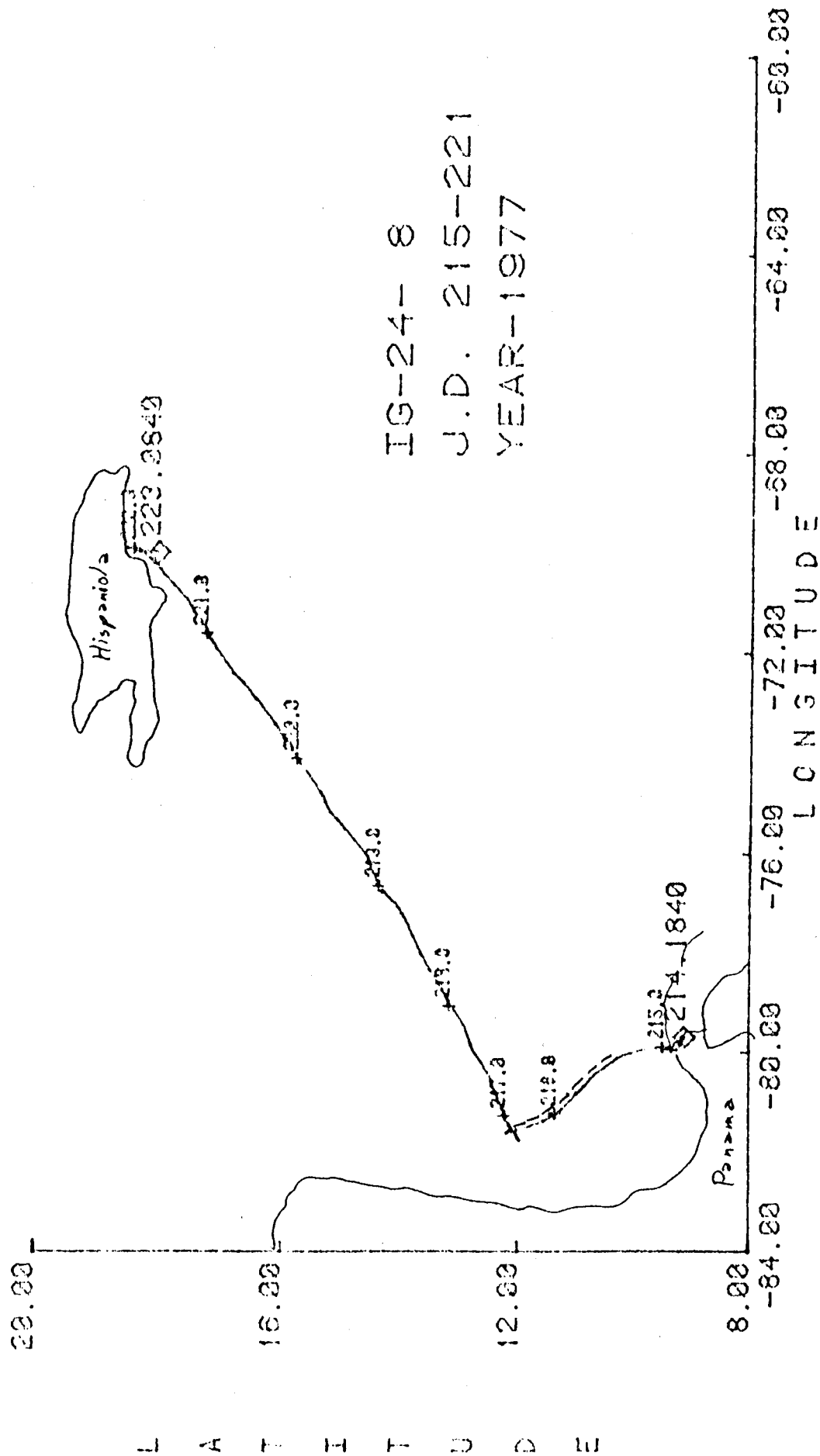


Fig. 6

# IG 24-8 Trackchart Part I

Panama-Nicaragua Multichannel



IG-24- 8  
J.D. 215-221  
YEAR-1977

Fig. 7

Panama - Nicaragua  
 Multichannel

IG-24- 8  
 J.D. 215-217  
 YEAR-1977

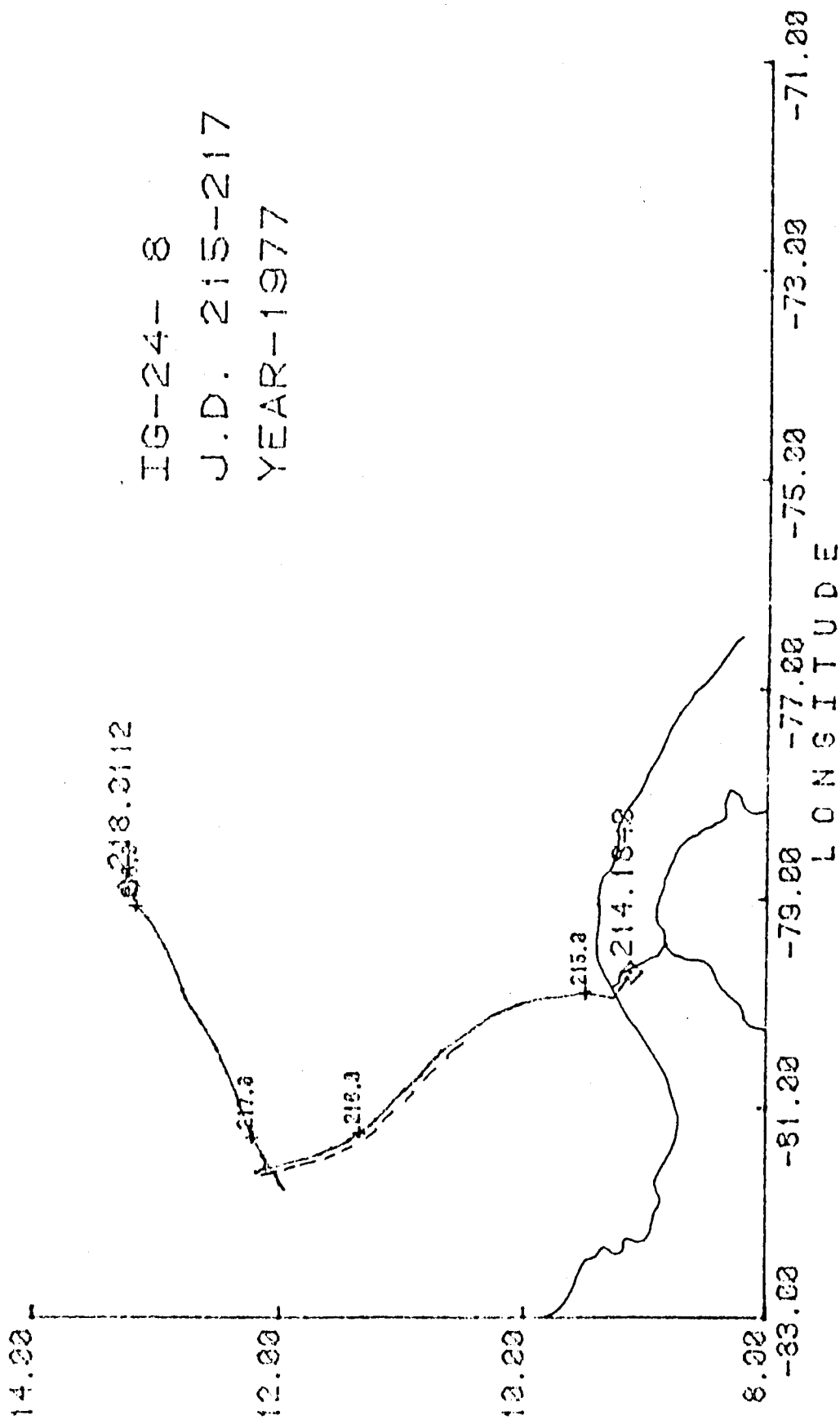


Fig. 8

Panel Multichannel ---

# SHOTPOINT MAP

IG-24-1

UT/MSI

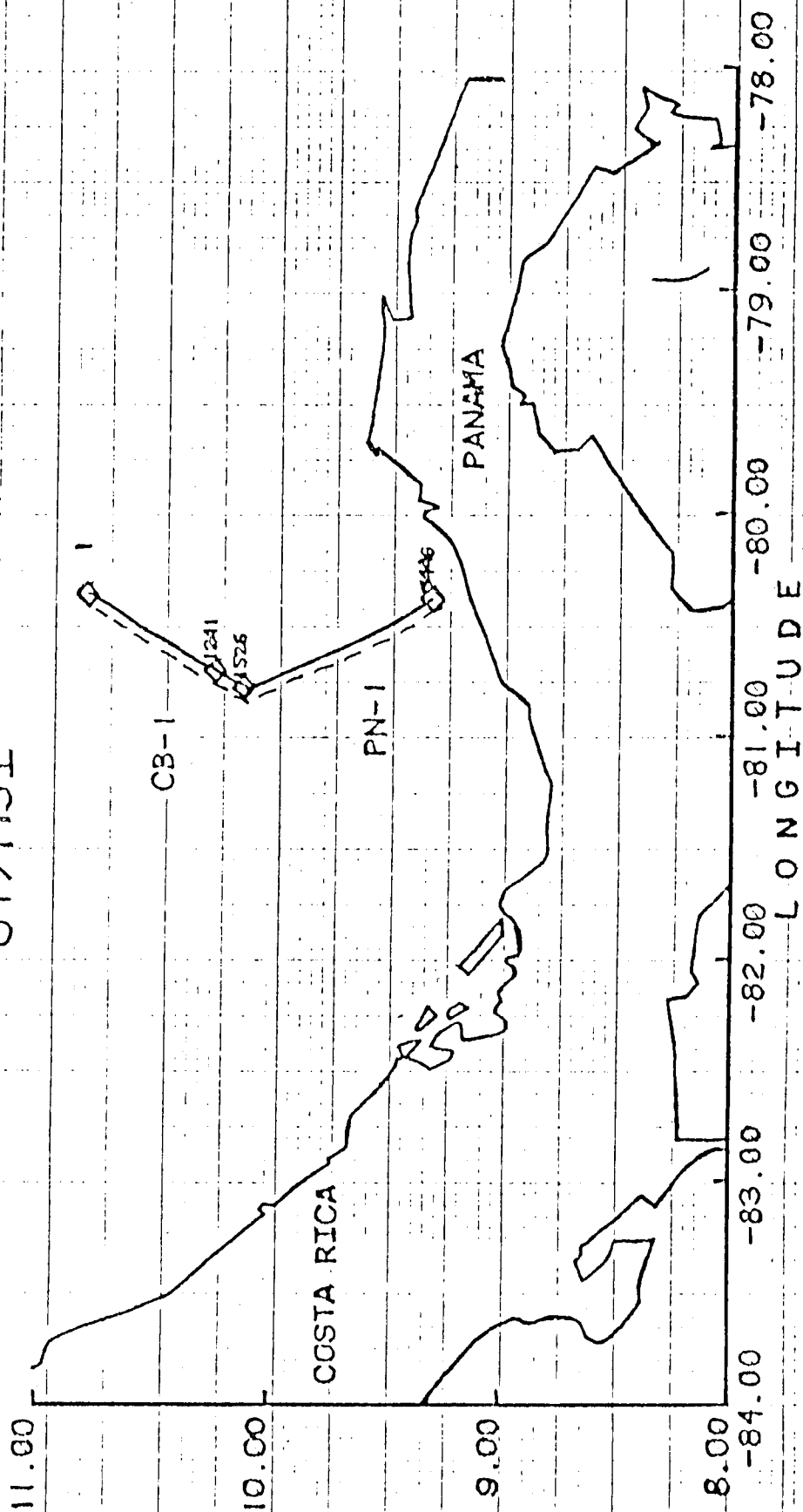


Fig. 9.

# IG 24-8 Trackchart Part II

Dominican Republic Multichannel

--

IG-24- 8  
J.D. 221-230  
YEAR-1977

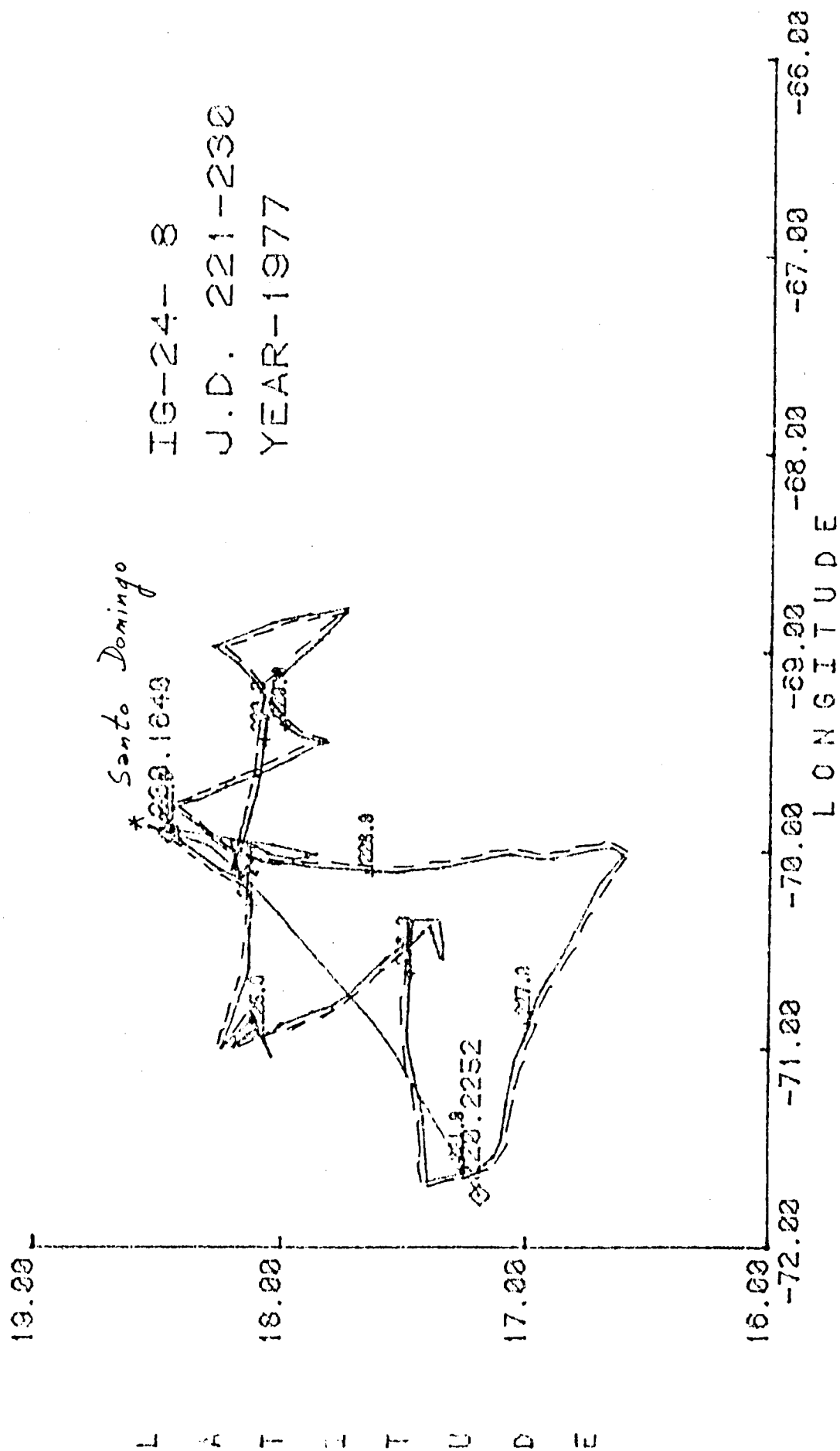


Fig. 10

IG 24-9 Trackchart

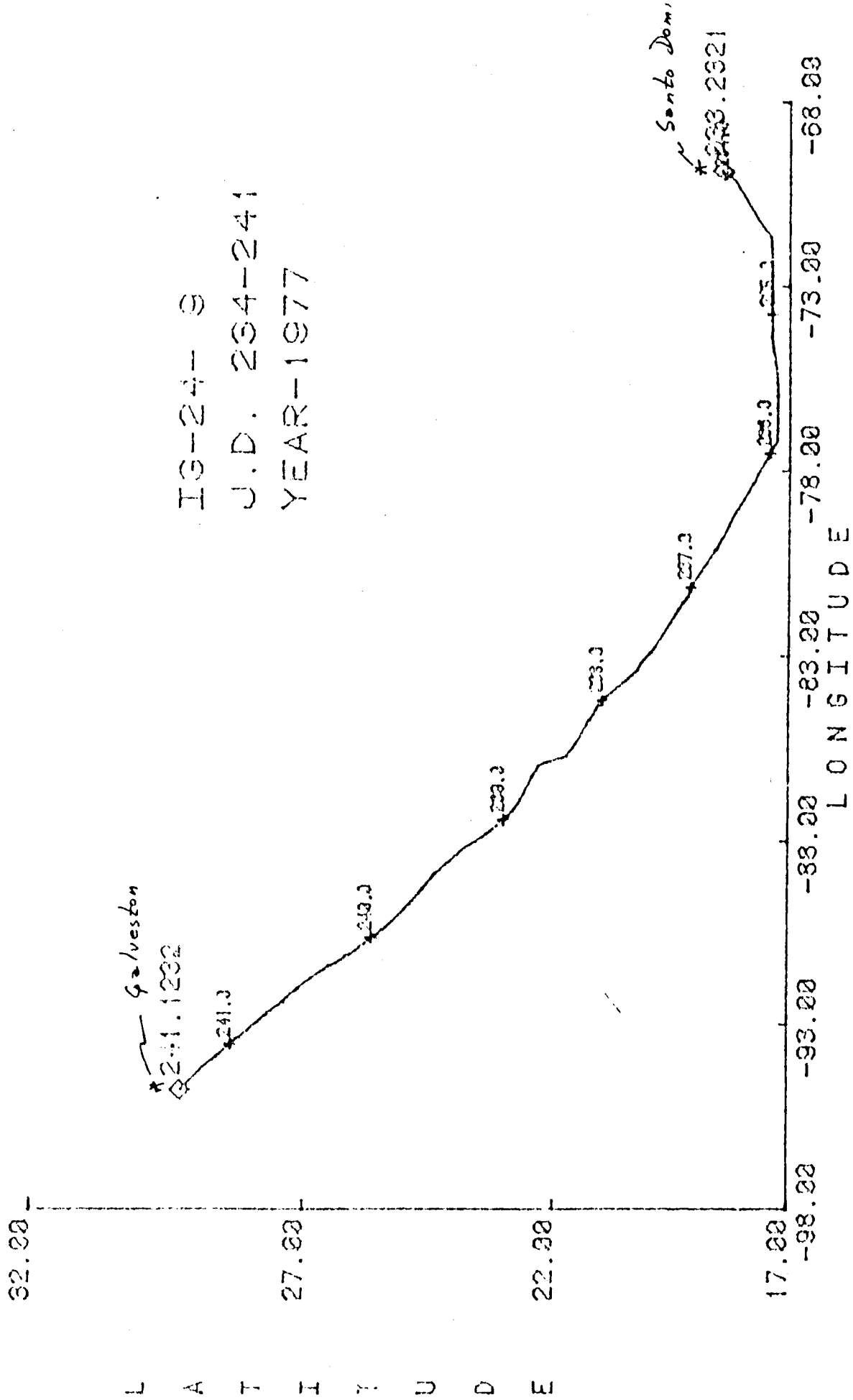


Fig. 11