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SUMMARY

In the free world today there are two primary producing areas of virgin containerboard - namely, the United States and the Scandinavian countries. These "producers" compete to a greater or lesser degree in practically all world containerboard markets; however, the largest joint market is Western Europe. These two containerboard-producing areas practice conflicting manufacturing philosophies, both undoubtedly oriented toward the most economical manufacture and distribution of their product. The two philosophies differ mainly in respect to the importance of weight and bursting strength of the components to box quality.

The Scandinavian countries, because of advantageous wood species, manufacturing economies specific to their area, and less restrictive regulatory specifications in certain Western European countries, notably West Germany, manufacture unbleached kraft containerboard at a lower weight and higher bursting strength than is practiced with corresponding board made in this country. In effect, the Scandinavian philosophy advocates a lighter weight container in contrast to United States practice and implies that the container weight can be reduced with impunity provided the lower weight is compensated for by an increase in bursting strength. In contrast, the philosophy practiced by U.S. manufacturers suggests that a quality box requires a certain minimum weight of fiber; if more substance (fiber) is used, the bursting strength of the linerboard need not be as high as that associated with the lighter weight Scandinavian linerboard.

The manufacturing philosophy practiced by the Scandinavian containerboard manufacturers places a burden on U.S. exportation of linerboard to those countries where weight is not considered a factor in containerboard quality.

U.S. linerboard manufacturers can make linerboard to the same specifications as Scandinavian linerboard, however, this would require modifying current manufacturing practice - e.g., more refining, slower speeds, etc. - which would adversely influence costs.

In order to determine the comparative performance of combined board and boxes made with European and domestic kraft linerboards, a study was initiated at The Institute of Paper Chemistry by the Fourdrinier Kraft Board Institute, Inc. The study involved the fabrication of two Scandinavian and one domestic linerboard at each of four nominal grade weight levels with 23-lb. European and 26-lb semichemical corrugating medium into A- and B-flute combined board and boxes under normal but controlled conditions of fabrication using starch as the adhesive. The European linerboards - i.e., 25.6, 30.7, 35.8, and 41.0-lb. - were made by Euro Gutseit (Finland) and Svenska Cellulosa (Sweden). The 23-lb. semichemical medium was made by Fiskeby. Also, a few trials were made in which a 26-lb. European semichemical corrugating medium (Finnkarton) was fabricated with domestic linerboards into combined board and boxes. The domestic linerboards - i.e., 26, 33, 38, and 42.0-lb. - were obtained from a member company of Fourdrinier Kraft Board Institute, Inc. and the quality manufacturing specifications were those corresponding to the current industry average quality to be expected for each grade weight.

The combined boards and boxes resulting from the fifty-two experimental material combinations used in this study, together with samples of the components used in each run, were evaluated for performance at $50 \pm 2\%$ relative humidity and $70 \pm 5^{\circ}\text{F}$. (standard conditions in U.S.) and 65% relative humidity at 68°F . (standard conditions in Europe). It should be borne in mind in interpreting the results that the comparative performance is based on the results of the European

and one domestic sample of linerboard at each of the grade weight levels. The results, therefore, represent comparative performance to be expected only to the extent that the linerboards are representative at each grade weight level.

The following conclusions are based on the composite average performance at each grade weight level:

I. Comparative Performance at 25 6, 26 0-lb Grade Weight Level:

A. The European linerboards at this grade weight averaged 3 to 5% lower than U.S. linerboards in basis weight but 37 to 53% higher in bursting strength. The difference in nominal basis weight is only about 1.5%. The difference in basis weight of the linerboard is manifested in the combined board weight. The combined boards made with 26-lb. U.S. linerboard were 2 to 4% higher in weight than the corresponding boards made with European linerboards.

B Box Performance:

- (1) Boxes made with U.S. linerboards, in general, exhibited 2 to 7 5% higher top-load box compression than the boxes fabricated with European linerboards. The greatest difference was between U.S. and Svenska Cellulosa boxes. Because of the lower weight of the European linerboards, the above differences, when computed on a unit weight basis, are reduced and are probably not significant.
- (2) In general, end-load box compression averaged slightly higher for boxes made with U.S. linerboard than for boxes made with European linerboards, however, the differences are not considered significant. As in the case of top-load compression, the differences are reduced when computed on a unit weight basis, and are too small to be considered significant.

- (3) Boxes made with U.S. linerboard averaged slightly lower in corner drop performance (3 to 3.5%) than boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard but higher (9 to 24%) than boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard. In only one case - i.e., Svenska Cellulosa boxes at 50% relative humidity - were the differences significant. The same general trend was noted when corner drop performance was computed on a unit weight basis.
- (4) The drum performance of boxes fabricated with U.S. linerboard averaged 3 to 10% higher than that of boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard and 12 to 16% higher than that of boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard, however, these differences are not considered significant because of the variability associated with the drum test of these boxes. When computed on a unit weight basis the differences decrease.
- (5) On an over-all box performance basis the box results indicate that at the 25.6, 26.0-lb. linerboard weight level, boxes made with U.S. linerboard may be expected to give slightly higher top-load compression, about equal end-load compression, and also about equal rough handling as measured in terms of corner drop and drum tests. When compared on a unit weight basis, the results indicate that there is probably no significant difference in box compression or rough handling between boxes made with U.S. and European linerboards.

C. Combined Board Performance.

- (1) In addition to the difference in basis weight and bursting strength noted above, the combined boards made with U.S. linerboard averaged higher in caliper, puncture, torsion tear, edgewise compression,

flat crush, and pin adhesion than combined boards made with European linerboards

- (2) The combined boards made with U.S. linerboard were 35 to 65% lower in bursting strength and 5 to 14% lower in flexural stiffness (expressed as geometric mean) than the combined boards made with European linerboards

D Linerboard Characteristics

In addition to the differences in basis weight and bursting strength noted above, the following differences were also noted

- (1) The U.S. linerboard exhibited higher caliper, tearing strength, torsion tear, puncture, Taber stiffness, and I.P.C. bond strength than the European linerboards
- (2) The U.S. linerboards exhibited lower bursting strength (37 to 53%), density, modified ring compression, tensile strength, stretch, modulus of elasticity, and tensile energy absorption (T.E.A.) They were also rougher and more porous than European linerboard

2 Comparative Performance at 307, 33 C-lb Grade Weight Level

- A. The U.S. linerboard at this grade weight level was 9 to 12% higher in basis weight and 6 to 18% lower in bursting strength than the corresponding European linerboards. The observed difference in basis weight is considerably greater than the 7 C% computed on the basis of the difference in nominal weight. The differences in linerboard weight and bursting strength manifest themselves in a higher combined board (5 to 7%) basis weight and lower (4 to 22%) bursting strength for the combined boards made with U.S. linerboards

B. Box Performance.

- (1) The boxes made with 33.0-lb. U.S. linerboard exhibited top-load compression results which were significantly lower (16%) at 50% R.H. but not significantly different at 65% R.H. than the boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard. The boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboards gave top-load compression results not significantly different from boxes made with U.S. linerboard. Because of the substantially lower basis weight of the combined board, the boxes made with European linerboards gave significantly higher (4 to 7%) top-load compression than boxes made with U.S. linerboard when computed on a unit weight basis.
- (2) The end-load box compression strength of boxes made with U.S. linerboard was 5 to 7% higher than that of boxes fabricated with Enso Gutseit linerboard but 1 to 3% lower than that of boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard. The differences noted for the boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboards are significant whereas those for the boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboards are not significant. When the end-load compression results are computed on a unit weight of combined board basis, there is no significant difference between boxes made with U.S. and Enso Gutseit linerboards, however, on this basis, the boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboards are significantly higher (4 to 7%) than boxes fabricated with U.S. linerboard.
- (3) In general, the corner drop performance of boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard was not significantly different from the performance of boxes made with U.S. linerboard. On the other hand, the corner drop performance of boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard

was significantly higher (17 to 18%) than the drop performance of boxes made with U.S. linerboard. On a unit weight of combined board basis, boxes made with European linerboard exhibited higher drop performance (Enso Gutseit, 5 to 6%; Svenska Cellulosa, 24 to 27%) than boxes made with U.S. linerboard. The differences noted for the boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboards are not significant whereas those for boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboards are.

- (4) The drum performance of boxes made with U.S. linerboard in general was higher than that of boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard but slightly lower than that for boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard. The difference noted for Enso Gutseit boxes is significant whereas the difference for Svenska Cellulosa boxes is not. Computing the performance on a unit weight basis has the effect of decreasing the difference for Enso Gutseit boxes and increasing the differences for Svenska Cellulosa boxes.
- (5) On an over-all basis the box results obtained at the 30.7, 33.0-lb. grade weight level indicate that boxes made with U.S. linerboard give about the same top-load box compression, equal (Svenska Cellulosa boxes) to higher (Enso Gutseit boxes) end-load compression, equal (Enso Gutseit boxes) to lower (Svenska Cellulosa boxes) corner drop performance, and higher (Enso Gutseit boxes) to equal (Svenska Cellulosa boxes) drum performance compared with boxes made with European linerboards.

When box performance is computed on a unit weight combined board basis, the boxes made with U.S. linerboard are lower (4.5 to 7.5%) in top-load compression, equal in end-load compression, equal in corner drop and higher in drum performance when compared with boxes

made with Enso Guiscit linerboard. On the other hand, boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboards gave higher top-load compression (6 to 7%), higher end-load compression (4 to 7%), higher corner drop performance (24 to 27%), and higher drum performance (15 to 16%) than boxes made with U.S. linerboards. All the differences on a unit weight combined board basis are considered significant with the possible exception of the differences for the drum performance tests.

C. Combined Board Performance

- (1) In addition to the differences in basis weight and bursting strength previously noted, the combined board fabricated with U.S. linerboard exhibited higher caliper, puncture, torsion tear, edgewise compression strength, and pin adhesion than combined boards fabricated with European linerboards
- (2) The combined boards made with U.S. linerboards gave lower values of bursting strength (4 to 22%) and flat crush than corresponding combined boards made with European linerboards

D. Linerboard Characteristics

- (1) Enso Guiscit linerboard exhibited lower basis weight, caliper, tearing strength, torsion tear, puncture, ring compression, Taber stiffness, machine-direction stretch, and machine-direction I.P.C. bond strength than U.S. linerboard. On the other hand, Enso Guiscit linerboard displayed higher bursting strength (approximately 18%) tensile strength, cross-machine stretch, modulus of elasticity, T.E.A., and cross-machine I.P.C. bond strength than U.S. linerboard
- (2) Svenska Cellulosa linerboard displayed lower basis weight, caliper, apparent density, tearing strength, torsion tear, puncture, and

compression, machine-direction stretch, and machine-direction T.E.A., than U.S. linerboard. In contrast, Svenska Cellulosa linerboard exhibited higher bursting strength (6 to 12%) machine-direction Taber stiffness, tensile strength, cross-machine stretch, machine-direction modulus of elasticity, cross-machine T.E.A., and I.P.C. bond strength than U.S. linerboard.

- (3) Enso Gutseit linerboard was less porous, not as smooth and not as water resistant as the U.S. linerboard. The Svenska Cellulosa linerboard was more porous, less smooth and less water resistant than the U.S. linerboard.

3. Comparative Performance at 35.8, 38.0-lb.. Grade Weight Level:

A. The U.S. linerboard exhibited 4 to 8% higher basis weight but 37 to 40% lower bursting strength than the European linerboard. These differences are reflected in a higher combined board weight (3 to 5%) and a lower bursting strength (18 to 35%) for the combined board made with U.S. linerboard.

B. Box Performance:

- (1) Boxes made with U.S. linerboard gave significantly lower top-load compression (approximately 7.0%) than boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard. In general, the same trend was noted for boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard; however, the differences were considerably less (1 to 4%). When considered on a unit weight basis, boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard gave 11 to 13% higher top-load compression and boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard 5 to 10% higher top-load compression than boxes made with U.S. linerboard.

- (2) Boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard exhibited 2 to 6% higher end-load compression and boxes fabricated with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard 7 to 9% lower end-load compression than boxes made with U.S. linerboard. The same trend is obtained on a unit weight basis. However, on a unit weight basis the differences between boxes made with U.S. and Enso Gutseit linerboards increase (6 to 10%), whereas the difference between boxes made with U.S. and Svenska Cellulosa linerboards decrease (2 to 5%).
- (3) The corner drop results for boxes made with U.S. linerboard are significantly higher (14.3%) at 50% R.H. but not significantly different at 65% R.H. than boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard. On a unit weight of combined board basis, there appears to be no significant difference at either humidity level. In contrast, the boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard exhibited higher (7 to 24%) corner drop results than the corresponding boxes made with U.S. linerboard at both 50% and 65% R.H. However, only the results at 65% R.H. appear to be significant. The same general trend is evident when the results are considered on a unit weight of combined board basis.
- (4) The drum performance of boxes fabricated with U.S. linerboard was significantly higher (18 to 20%) than the corresponding performance for boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard but not significantly different from the performance for boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard. The same general trend is observed when the results are considered on a unit weight of combined board basis.
- (5) On an over-all basis boxes fabricated with U.S. linerboard appear to give lower top-load compression, slightly lower end-load compression,

slightly higher corner drop, and higher drum performance than boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard. The boxes fabricated with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard exhibited slightly higher top-load compression, lower end-load compression and about the same drop and drum performance when compared with boxes made with U.S. linerboard.

C. Combined Board:

- (1) The combined boards fabricated with U.S. linerboards averaged about 3 and 5% higher, respectively, in basis weight than combined boards made with Enso Gutseit and Svenska Cellulosa linerboards.
- (2) The bursting strength of the combined board made with 38-lb. U.S. linerboard was 18 to 35% lower than that of the corresponding combined boards made with European linerboards.
- (3) In general, combined board made with U.S. linerboard exhibited higher caliper, puncture, torsion tear, flat crush, and pin adhesion than the corresponding boards made with European linerboards. On the other hand, the combined board made with U.S. linerboard was lower in cross-machine edgewise compression and flexural stiffness (expressed as geometric mean). The machine-direction edgewise compression results on boards made with Enso Gutseit linerboard were higher than the corresponding results for U.S. boards whereas the results on Svenska Cellulosa boards were lower.

D. Linerboard Characteristics:

- (1) The 38-lb. nominal grade weight U.S. linerboard averaged approximately 5% higher in basis weight than the corresponding Enso Gutseit linerboard and about 7% higher than the corresponding Svenska Cellulosa linerboard.

- (2) The bursting strength of the U.S. linerboard was approximately 38 to 40% lower than that of the European linerboard even though the basis weight favored the U.S. linerboard.
- (3) The U.S. linerboard was higher in tearing strength, torsion tear, and puncture. In addition to the foregoing, Enso Gutseit linerboard was higher in ring compression, cross-machine Taber stiffness, tensile strength, modulus of elasticity, T.E.A., I.P.C. bond strength, and about equal in water resistance. The Svenska Cellulosa linerboard was higher in cross-direction ring compression, tensile strength, stretch, modulus of elasticity, T.E.A., and I.P.C. bond strength and about equal in water resistance.
- (4) The European linerboards were more dense and hence less porous than the U.S. linerboard. The Enso Gutseit linerboard was not as smooth as the U.S. linerboard whereas the Svenska Cellulosa linerboard was smoother.

4. Comparative Performance at the 41.0, 42.0-lb. Grade Weight Level:

- A. The 42-lb. nominal grade weight U.S. linerboard was approximately 3 and 8% higher in basis weight, respectively, than the Enso Gutseit and Svenska Cellulosa linerboards. As would be expected, the basis weight of the combined boards made with U.S. linerboard averaged 2.0 and 4.8% higher, respectively, than the combined boards made with Enso Gutseit and Svenska Cellulosa linerboards. On the other hand, the bursting strength of the combined board made with U.S. linerboard was 23 to 30% lower than that of the combined boards fabricated with European linerboards.

B. Box Performance:

- (1) The boxes fabricated with U.S. linerboard gave significantly lower top-load compression (8.7 to 11.2%) than boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard. When compared to boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard, the results on the U.S. boxes were only slightly lower. When computed on a unit weight of combined board basis, the boxes made with U.S. linerboard were significantly (6 to 13%) lower than boxes made with European linerboards.
- (2) In general, end-load compression on boxes fabricated with U.S. linerboard was slightly lower than that on boxes made with European linerboard; however, the differences are not significant in most cases. When calculated on a unit weight of combined board basis, the boxes made with European linerboard exhibited significantly higher end-load compression performance.
- (3) In general, the corner drop performance for boxes made with U.S. linerboard is slightly lower than for boxes made with European linerboard; however, the differences are not significant in most cases. The same trend was noted on a unit weight of combined board basis.
- (4) In general, there was no significant difference in drum performance between boxes made with domestic and European linerboards. The same trend was noted when the results were considered on a unit weight of combined board basis.
- (5) On an over-all basis, boxes made with U.S. linerboard gave lower top-load compression, approximately equal end-load compression, and approximately equal corner drop and drum performance when compared with boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard. Boxes made

with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard were about equal in top-load compression, end-load compression, corner drop, and drum performance compared with boxes made with U.S. linerboard.

C. Combined Board:

- (1) In addition to higher basis weight and lower bursting strength, the combined board made with U.S. linerboard was about equal in caliper and flat crush but higher in puncture, torsion tear, and pin adhesion when compared with combined board made with European linerboards. In contrast, combined boards made with European linerboards were higher in machine- and cross-machine edgewise compression and flexural stiffness (geometric mean).

D. Linerboard Characteristics:

- (1) In addition to higher basis weight, the U.S. linerboard exhibited 20 to 27% lower bursting strength than the European linerboards.
- (2) In general, the U.S. linerboard was higher in caliper, tearing strength, torsion tear, stretch, and machine-direction I.P.C. bond strength than the Enso Gutseit linerboard. On the other hand, the Enso Gutseit linerboard was higher in ring compression, Taber stiffness, tensile strength, modulus of elasticity, T.E.A., and cross-machine I.P.C. bond strength than U.S. linerboard. The Enso Gutseit linerboard tended to be slightly more dense, much less porous, rougher and slightly better sized than the U.S. linerboard.
- (3) The U.S. linerboard was slightly higher in caliper, density, tearing strength, torsion tear, puncture, and machine-direction stretch than Svenska Cellulosa linerboard. On the other hand, the Svenska Cellulosa

linerboard was higher in ring compression, Taber stiffness, tensile, cross-machine stretch, modulus of elasticity, T.E.A., and I.P.C. bond strength than the U.S. linerboard. The Svenska Cellulosa linerboard was less dense and less porous but rougher than the U.S. linerboard and not as well sized as the U.S. linerboard.

5. General Conclusions:

- A. The comparative performance of combined board and boxes fabricated with European linerboard was such that the competitive potentials of European linerboard cannot be disregarded.
- B. The European linerboard appears to be made from a furnish consisting mainly of Scotch pine, refined to a lower freeness and shorter average fiber length and presumably made at a slower speed than U.S. linerboard.
- C. European linerboard is made at a lower basis weight but substantially higher bursting strength than the corresponding grade weights of U.S. linerboard.
- D. The superiority of the European linerboards in bursting strength is not reflected in a correspondingly high box performance relative to U.S. linerboard.
- E. Box compression is shown to be far better related to combined board edgewise compression and flexural stiffness than to bursting strength.
- F. It is believed that the properties of European linerboard responsible for its competitive potential is not bursting strength but the level to which the more basic mechanical properties such as edgewise compression,

modulus of elasticity, tensile strength, etc., develop concomitantly with bursting strength.

- G. The rough handling performance of boxes made with European linerboard was considerably better than would normally be anticipated from the tearing strength characteristics of the linerboard and corresponding combined board. In terms of rough handling, the lower tearing strength is compensated for, in part at least, by substantially higher tensile and energy absorption characteristics compared to U.S. linerboard.
- H. In general, the combined boards made with European linerboards exhibited lower pin adhesion strength. This is believed to be due to the generally less porous structure of the European linerboard and hence it would be expected that greater difficulty would be encountered with bonding on the corrugator with European linerboard especially at the higher speeds.
- I. As would be expected, the test results at 65% R.H. (European standard conditions) were lower for those tests involving stiffness but higher for those involving energy absorption or work than the results at 50% R.H. (U.S. standard conditions). The effect of relative humidity was about the same for European and U.S. linerboards.
- J. On the basis of the coefficients of variation which were determined for a selected number of test properties in order to compare the uniformity of the U.S. and European linerboards, it was concluded that the U.S. linerboards were generally slightly more uniform than the European linerboards.

6. Comparative Performance of Boxes Made with European Linerboard

A Box Performance.

- (1) At the 25 6-lb. grade weight level, boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard gave equal or slightly higher top-load compression, lower end-load compression, and slightly higher corner drop and drum performance than the boxes made with the corresponding grade weight of Svenska Cellulosa linerboard
- (2) At the 30 7-lb grade weight level, boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard gave equal top-load compression, lower end-load compression, lower corner drop and drum performance than boxes made with the corresponding grade weight of Svenska Cellulosa linerboard.
- (3) Boxes made with Enso Gutseit 35 8-lb. linerboard gave slightly higher top- and end-load compression, but lower corner drop and drum performance than boxes made with the corresponding grade weight of Svenska Cellulosa linerboard
- (4) When the performance of boxes made with 41 0-lb European linerboards is considered, the boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard gave slightly higher top- and end-load compression and about the same corner drop and drum performance when compared with boxes made with the corresponding grade weight of Svenska Cellulosa
- (5) On an over-all basis, boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard tended to give slightly higher top-load compression at all grade weight levels, slightly lower end-load compression at the 25 6 and 30 7-lb grade weight level but slightly higher end-load at the 35 8 and 41 0-lb grade weight levels, and equal to lower corner drop and drum performance when compared with the corresponding results for boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboards

7. Comparative Performance of Combined Board and Box - Made with 23-lb. and 26-lb. European and 26-lb. U.S. Corrugating Medium:

A. Box Performance:

- (1) In general, the boxes made with 23-lb. European corrugating medium exhibited equal or slightly lower top- and end-load compression and lower corner drop and drum results than the corresponding boxes made with 26-lb. U.S. corrugating medium.
- (2) Reducing the medium weight from 26 to 23 lb. is approximately a 11.5% reduction in medium weight. When box performance was computed on a unit weight basis, the boxes made with 23-lb. European medium generally gave higher top- and end-load compression performance but lower corner drop and drum performance.
- (3) In general, the boxes made with U.S. linerboard and 23-lb. and 26-lb. European mediums exhibited slightly higher top-load compression than boxes made with U.S. linerboard and 26-lb. U.S. medium. Boxes in this phase made with 23-lb. European medium gave lower end-load compression and those made with 26-lb. European medium higher end-load compression than boxes made with 26-lb. U.S. medium. The differences noted above for both top-load and end-load were not believed to be significant. Rough handling performance of boxes made with 23-lb. and 26-lb. European mediums was lower than that of boxes made with 26-lb. U.S. medium. There appeared to be no significant difference between the rough handling performance of boxes made with 23-lb. and 26-lb. European mediums.
- (4) The 23-lb. European medium was made from a furnish consisting of approximately 85% hardwood (birch) and 15% softwood (mainly Scotch

pine) refined to a substantially lower average fiber length than the 26-lb., U.S. medium which was made from a furnish of approximately 85% hardwood (gum) and 15% softwood (southern pine).

----- B. Combined Board Performance:

- (1) The combined boards fabricated with 26-lb. U.S. corrugating medium were, on the average, 3 to 5% higher in basis weight and higher in flat crush, puncture, torsion tear, machine-direction edgewise compression, and pin adhesion than combined boards made with 23-lb. European corrugating medium. On the other hand, the combined boards made with 26-lb. U.S. corrugating medium were generally slightly lower in bursting strength, cross-machine edgewise compression, and flexural stiffness.
- (2) Combined boards made with 26-lb. U.S. corrugating medium generally were higher in torsion tear but slightly lower in flat crush, flexural stiffness, and edgewise compression than combined boards made with 26-lb. European medium. The basis weight, caliper, bursting strength, and puncture results were approximately equal.

C. Corrugating Medium Characteristics:

- (1) As would be expected, the actual basis weight of the U.S. corrugating medium was approximately 12% higher than that of the 23-lb. European corrugating medium but about equal to that of the 26-lb. European corrugating medium.
- (2) The caliper of the 26-lb. U.S. corrugating medium was approximately 14% higher than the caliper of the 23-lb. European corrugating medium and 6 to 13% higher than the caliper of the 26-lb. European corrugating medium.

- (3) The density of the 26-lb. U.S. and 23-lb. European corrugating mediums were equal whereas the density of the 26-lb. European corrugating medium was 4 to 11% higher.
- (4) The 26-lb. U.S. corrugating medium exhibited a slightly higher Concora flat crush at 50% R.H. and slightly lower Concora flat crush at 65% R.H. than did the 26-lb. European corrugating medium. Compared with the 23-lb. European medium, the Concora flat crush of the 26-lb. U.S. medium was considerably higher (16 to 18%) at both 50 and 65% R.H.
- (5) The water drop test was markedly lower for the U.S. corrugating medium than for the European corrugating medium; this difference may account in part at least for the lower pin adhesion results obtained on boards made with European corrugating mediums.
- (6) The 26-lb. U.S. corrugating medium was more porous than the 23-lb. European medium but less porous than the 26-lb. European medium.
- (7) The 26-lb. U.S. corrugating medium exhibited higher tearing strength, torsion tear, puncture resistance, and stretch than either the 23- or 26-lb. European corrugating mediums. However, the European mediums were generally higher in ring compression, tensile, and modulus of elasticity than the U.S. 26-lb. corrugating medium. Taber stiffness was lower on the 23-lb. European medium but higher on the 26-lb. European medium when compared with the Taber stiffness on the 26-lb. U.S. corrugating medium.

INTRODUCTION

Throughout the containerboard industry in the free world today, two distinctly different philosophies are practiced relative to containerboard quality. These two philosophies are undoubtedly economically oriented and differ in respect to the importance of weight and bursting strength to box quality. As a result of regulatory end-use requirements in many of the European countries, advantageous wood species and manufacturing economies specific to the Scandinavian countries, Scandinavian unbleached kraft containerboard is characterized by low weight and high bursting strength relative to the corresponding competitive grades of fourdrinier unbleached kraft linerboard made in this country. In certain European countries, notably West Germany, the regulatory requirements specify only bursting strength; thus, the weight of the linerboards is discretionary. In contrast, the regulatory agencies in this country require a specific minimum level of bursting strength at a given minimum weight level. The level of bursting strength in this country is considerably lower than its corresponding European counterpart.

The European philosophy of manufacturing linerboard at a higher bursting strength and lower weight places a burden on U.S. linerboard exportation to those countries where weight is not considered a factor in containerboard quality.

Listed below are the standard basis weights and minimum bursting strength guaranteed by Enso Gutseit, Finland, which became effective January 1, 1961 (1) when they switched from billing on a tonnage basis to a square meter basis together with the corresponding domestic minimum basis weight and bursting strength:

Basis Weight Scandinavian g./M ²	Basis Weight		Bursting Strength		
	lb./M sq.ft.	U.S. lb./M sq.ft.	Scandinavian kg./sq.cm.	U.S. p.s.i.	U.S. p.s.i.
125	25.6	26.0	6	85.3	65-75
150	30.7	33.0	8	113.8	75-80
175	35.8	38.0	--	128.0	90-95
200	41.0	42.0	9.4	133.7	105-110
225	46.0	--	9.6	136.5	--
250	51.2	--	9.7	138.0	--
300	61.4	--	9.9	140.8	--

The above standard basis weights and guaranteed bursting strength specifications are also met by the kraft containerboard mills in Norway and Sweden. The Scandinavian specifications are based on 65% R.H. at 68°F. whereas the U.S. equivalents are based on 50% R.H. at 73°F.; thus, the standard basis weight values listed above will be slightly lower at 50% R.H.

U.S. linerboard could be made to the same specifications as Scandinavian linerboards; however, this would require modifying current manufacturing practices which, coupled with less advantageous wood species, would adversely influence costs. Moreover, it has not been demonstrated that boxes fabricated with Scandinavian linerboards, manufactured in keeping with the high Mullen philosophy, necessarily perform better than boxes fabricated with domestic linerboards manufactured according to current practice and specifications.

As a result of the foregoing it appeared worthwhile and timely for the Fourdrinier Kraft Board Institute to study the comparative performance of combined boards and boxes made with components manufactured according to the two aforementioned philosophies.

Phase I of the Comparative Performance Study was initiated at The Institute of Paper Chemistry on behalf of the Fourdrinier Kraft Board Institute, Inc., for the purpose of evaluating the comparative performance of combined board and boxes made from both European and domestic components, manufactured according to their traditional specifications, and fabricated by a United States converter. The Comparative Performance Study as initially outlined involves two phases - Phase I, as described above; and Phase II, which is concerned with the fabrication and evaluation in Europe of combined board and boxes made from the same lot of component materials. This design or arrangement permits Phase I to be undertaken and, which, if successful, could then proceed logically into Phase II.

The scope of Phase I relative to material combinations is shown in Fig.

1. This represents a significant enlargement of the scope as originally proposed. It may be noted that Phase I involves the fabrication of four weights of domestic linerboard - 26, 33, 38, and 42-lb. - and four competitive weights - 25.6, 30.7, 35.8, and 41.0-lb. - of European liners, from each of two manufacturers, with both 26-lb. domestic and 23-lb. European semichemical corrugating medium into A- and B-flute combined board and boxes. In addition, the four domestic linerboard samples were fabricated with a sample of European 26-lb. semichemical medium into A-flute combined board and boxes.

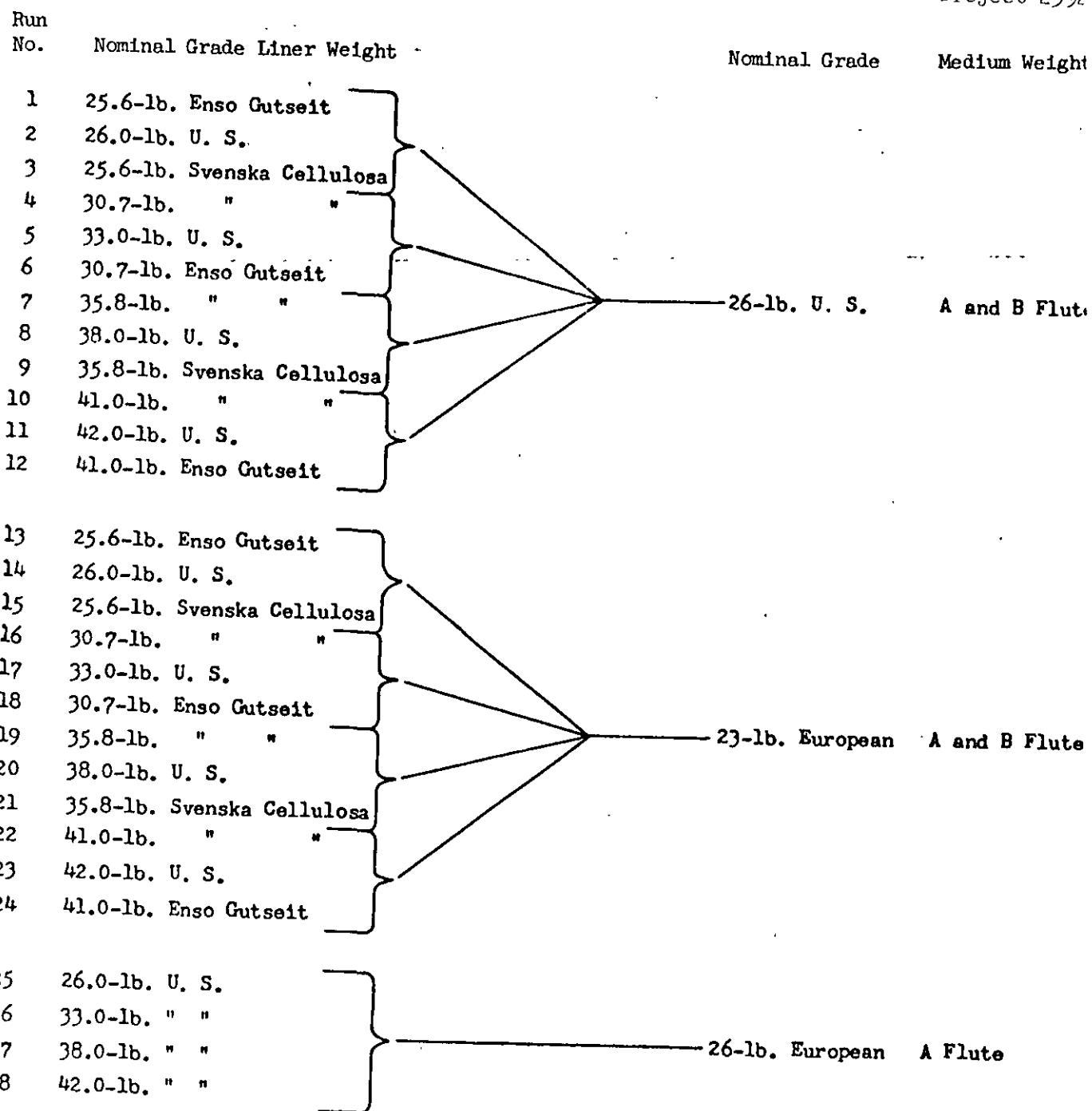


Figure 1. Phase I - Material Combinations

FABRICATION AND EVALUATION

The fabrication was carried out on one corrugator, Menasha Corporation, Menasha, Wisconsin, and the same conditions were used where possible. Starch was used as the adhesive and the combined boards were made into boxes (RSC) size 11-3/4 by 8-3/16 by 9-3/4 inches. A portion of the boxes of each sample was stitched and the balance was taped. This size box corresponds to a No. 2 $\frac{1}{4}$, 12-oz. juice container. The size was selected so as to comply with the carrier specifications both here and abroad for boxes made with 25.6 and 26.0-lb. liners.

The domestic linerboard and corrugating medium manufacturing specifications were selected so as to be representative of the general or average quality of board currently produced in these particular grade weights. These specifications were as follows:

Linerboard Specifications^a

Nominal Linerboard Grade Weight Levels			
26-lb.	33-lb.	38-lb.	42-lb.

Test property

Bursting strength, p.s.i.g.	75	95	103	110
Bursting strength, factor	2.9	2.9	2.7	2.6

Modified ring compression

M.D., lb./in.	13.0	16.5	19.0	20.6
M.D., factor	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.49
C.D., lb./in.	10.7	13.2	15.2	16.8
C.D., factor	0.41	0.40	0.40	0.40

Tearing strength

M.D., g./sheet	182	238	285	323
M.D., factor	7.0	7.2	7.5	7.7
C.D., g./sheet	198	267	315	378
C.D., factor	7.6	8.1	8.3	9.0

^aConditioned at 50% R.H., 73°F.

Corrugating Medium Specification

Weight, lb./M sq ft	26.0
Modified ring compression	
C.D., lb./in.	12.4
C.D., factor	0.48
Concora flat crush, p's 1.	38.0
Concora flat crush, factor	1.46

^aConditioned at 50% R.H., 73°F.

As previously mentioned, two sets of European linerboards were selected. These were Enso Gutseit (E.G.) of Finland and Svenska Cellulosa (S.C.) of Sweden. The 23- and 26-lb semichemical corrugating mediums came from Fiskeby and Finnkarlon, respectively. In order to maintain as great a degree of anonymity as possible, the European components were obtained via an European affiliate of Container Corporation of America through the efforts of Mr. Spachner. The materials were ordered by and delivered to the affiliate company which in turn reshipped the materials. A sufficient quantity of materials, both domestic and foreign, were obtained to carry out Phase II, if it is deemed advisable. The domestic components are currently in storage at Appleton, Wisconsin, and the European components in Hamburg, Germany.

The boxes, combined boards and components resulting from the fifty-two different material combinations described in Fig. 1 were evaluated at two atmospheric conditions, one representing standard conditions in this country (50% relative humidity at 73°F.) and the other representing standard conditions in Europe (65% relative humidity at 68°F.).

Prior to evaluation, each box, combined board and component sample was randomized and preconditioned for 2½ hours in an atmosphere maintained at 55%

relative humidity at 73°F. After the prescribed preconditioning, each sample was conditioned in the respective standard conditions for at least 48 hours and then tested in the same atmosphere.

The experimental box samples were evaluated for the two general classifications of box performance - namely, resistance to compression and rough handling. Compression resistance was determined by means of top- and end-load compression tests. After preconditioning as described the boxes were conditioned in the selected standard atmosphere for 24 hours, and then the boxes were sealed. After sealing, the boxes were allowed to condition for an additional 48 hours prior to testing.

The rough handling resistance of the fifty-two box samples was evaluated by means of the drop test (12-inch corner drop) and the drum test (7-foot revolving drum). Only the boxes made with a stitched manufacturers joint were used for the rough handling tests. After preconditioning, each box specimen was conditioned for 24 hours in the selected standard atmosphere and then the bottoms were sealed and the box loaded with twenty-four 12-oz. juice cans filled (one inch from top) with water. The weight of the twenty-four filled cans was 19.65 pounds, thus, the gross weight of the test specimen was just over 20 pounds. After filling with cans, top closure was made by sealing and the thus assembled test specimen was allowed to condition for an additional 48 hours in the selected standard atmosphere and then tested.

The combined board test specimens were all cut from the knock-down cases. The combined board tests run and the procedures used are listed below.

Test	Method	Number of Tests
1. Basis weight	T 410	1000 sq. in.
2. Caliper	IPC 904	10
3. Bursting strength	IPC 906	10 (5 up; 5 down)
4. Puncture	T 803	10 (5 each way)
5. Torsion tear	IPC 913	10 in; 10 cross; flap score
6. Column compression	IPC 919	10 each way
7. Flexural stiffness	IPC 920	10 each way
8. Flat crush	IPC 911	10 each way
9. Pin adhesion	IPC 914	6 (3 up; 3 down)

During the fabrication of the fifty-two different material combinations, sample strips the full width of each component roll were taken at the start and end of each material combination. The start and end samples of each component for each material combination were tested separately and the test results averaged to give a characterization of the quality of the components used in each material combination. The properties of the components measured at each of the two atmospheric conditions are given as follows, together with the procedures used:

1. Basis weight	T 410	1000 sq. in.
2. Caliper	T 411	10
3. Apparent density	T 411	--
4. Bursting strength	IPC 906	10 (5 up; 5 down)
5. Elmendorf tearing strength	T 414	10 each way
6. Torsion tear	IPC 913	10 each way
7. Puncture	T 803	10 (5 each way)
8. Modified ring	IPC 918	10 each way
9. Taber stiffness	T 489	10 each way
10. Tensile	T 404	10 each way
11. Stretch		10 each way
12. Modulus of elasticity	--	10 each way
13. Tensile energy absorption or work	--	10 each way
14. Transverse bond strength	--	5 each way
15. Porosity	T 460	5
16. Smoothness (Bondsten smoothness)	--	5 (felt side)
17. Cobb size	T 441	5

Further, for the purpose of obtaining a rough comparison of the type of furnish and the degree of refining, each component material was subjected to

fiber analysis, specie identification, and fiber length. In addition, Canadian freeness determinations were made on a sample of each component. The freeness determinations were made as follows

The sample of component (liner or medium) was conditioned at 50% relative humidity to constant weight. A total of 26 grams of fiber was weighed out and torn into small pieces (approximately one inch square). The thus prepared board material was then soaked in 500 cc of water at room temperature for 4 hours. At the end of the 4 hours, the water-soaked material was transferred to the British disintegrator and water added to give a total mass of 2000 grams. The stock was disintegrated for 75,000 revolutions and then diluted to 6000 cc. The consistency of the slurry was determined and a volume equivalent to 3 grams of fiber was removed, diluted to 1000 cc., and the Canadian standard freeness determined. The classification of the components as to specie, fiber content, fiber length, and freeness of defibered board is given in Table I.

TABLE I
FIBER CHARACTERISTICS OF LINERBOARD AND MEDIUM SAMPLES

Sample	Fiber Analysis	Species	Av. ^a Fiber Length, mm	C. S. Freeness, cc
U.S. 26-lb. liner	S.W. unbleached kraft H.W. unbleached kraft	85% Southern pine 15% Gum	2 51	595
U.S. 33-lb. liner	S.W. unbleached kraft H.W. unbleached kraft	95% Southern pine 5% Mainly gum, but trace of oak, beech, maple and yellow poplar	2 41	585
U.S. 38-lb. liner	--	--	--	625
U.S. 42-lb. liner	S.W. unbleached kraft H.W. unbleached kraft	85% Southern pine 15% Gum	2 52	565
E.G. 25.6 liner	S.W. unbleached kraft H.W. kraft	100% Scotch pine 90% Norway spruce 10% trace Birch	2.19	560
E.G. 30 7-lb. liner	S.W. unbleached kraft H.W. kraft	100% Scotch pine 90% Norway spruce 10% trace Birch	2.23	530
E.G. 35.8-lb. liner	S.W. unbleached kraft H.W. kraft	100% Scotch pine 90% Norway spruce 10% trace Birch	2 20	560
E.G. 41.0-lb. liner	S.W. unbleached kraft H.W. kraft	100% Scotch pine 90% Norway spruce 10% trace Birch	2 18	595

Footnotes are given at end of Table I, page 31

INTERBOARD AND MEDLJ SAMPLES

Sample	Fiber Analysis	Species	A_v^a	'C S Freeness, cc
S.C. 25 6-lb liner	S.W. unbleached kraft	100% Scotch pine 90% Norway spruce 10%	2.22	510
	H.W. kraft	trace Birch		
S.C. 30 7-lb. liner	S.W. unbleached kraft	100% Scotch pine 90% Norway spruce 10%	2.32	570
	H.W. kraft	trace Birch		
S.C. 35 8-lb liner	S.W. unbleached kraft	100% Scotch pine 90% Norway spruce 10%	2.20	560
	H.W. kraft	trace Birch		
S.C. 41.0-1b liner	S.W. unbleached kraft	100% Scotch pine 90% Norway spruce 10%	2.27	530
	H.W. kraft	trace Birch		
U.S. 26-1b medium	S.W. unbleached kraft	15% Southern pine 85% Gum	1.40	455
	H.W. unbleached NSSC			
E.U. 25-1b medium	S.W. unbleached kraft	15% Scotch pine 90% Norway spruce 10%	1.24	485
	H.W. unbleached NSSC	85% Birch		
E.U. 26-1b medium	--	--	1.37	600

^aWeighted average fiber length.

^bDetermined on defibred board

PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF RESULTS

I. LINERBOARD RESULTS

A Background

As previously mentioned, two markedly different "quality" philosophies are active in the container industry today. Scandinavian containerboard, which is one of Europe's main sources of virgin component material, is manufactured to higher bursting strength and lower weight levels than the corresponding competitive grade weights in this country. Because of practice and custom associated with shorter hauls, less emphasis on compression, etc., approximately 90% of European needs for linerboard are satisfied by three grade weights - 25.6 (125 g./sq m.), 30.7 (150 g./sq.m.), and 35.8 lb./1000 sq. ft. (175 g./sq m.) (2). A small percentage of 41.0 lb. (200 g./sq.m.) linerboard is produced, however, the main competition is in the lower three weights.

Because adoption of European practice and specification in the manufacture of U.S. linerboard for export to Europe would significantly increase cost, and equally important, because numerous studies (3-5) have shown that bursting strength by itself is a poor criterion of quality, a study of the comparative performance of combined board and boxes made with both European and domestic components was undertaken. As previously described, the main study involved the fabrication of four grade weights of linerboard from two European sources (Enso Gutzeit and Svenska Cellulosa) and one domestic source with 23-lb (112 g./sq m.) Scandinavian semichemical and 26-lb. domestic semichemical corrugating medium into A- and B-flute combined board and boxes.

It should be borne in mind in interpreting the results of this study that the data are based on only one sample of domestic and two samples of

European linerboard at each grade weight. Therefore, the comparisons of performance are valid only to the extent that the three linerboard samples at each grade weight level are representative of the quality levels being maintained by the U.S. and European industries.

Before comparing the combined board and box performance it may be helpful to consider the disparity in weight and bursting strength of the European and domestic linerboards. The respective results are tabulated in Table II.

TABLE II
COMPARISON OF LINERBOARD WEIGHT AND BURSTING STRENGTH
at 50% R.H.

Grade	<u>Basis Weight</u>				
	U.S.	E.G.	Diff., % ^a	S.C.	Diff., % ^a
Nominal grade	26.0	25.6	-1.5	25.6	-1.5
Observed grade	28.0	26.5	-5.4	26.7	-4.6
Nominal grade	33.0	30.7	-7.0	30.7	-7.0
Observed grade	35.0	31.8	-9.1	31.0	-11.4
Nominal grade	38.0	35.8	-5.8	35.8	-5.8
Observed grade	39.4	37.4	-5.1	36.4	-7.6
Nominal grade	42.0	41.0	-2.4	41.0	-2.4
Observed grade	42.8	41.6	-2.8	39.6	-7.5
<u>Bursting Strength</u>					
26.0 - 26.0-lb.	72	100	+38.9	106	+47.2
33.0 - 33.0-lb.	105	124	+18.1	112	+6.7
38.0 - 38.0-lb.	98	136	+38.8	136	+38.8
41.6 - 41.6-lb.	115	146	+27.0	137	+19.1

^aBased on U.S. as reference.

A number of conditions are evident from the data contained in Table II. It may be observed that on the basis of nominal grade weights the greatest disparity between the domestic and European linerboards is at the two middle grade weight levels - i.e., 30.7, 33.0-lb. and 35.8, 38.0-lb. The least disparity is at the lowest grade weight level. In all but one case, the actual or observed linerboard weight exceeded the corresponding nominal grade weight. The degree to which the nominal grade weight was exceeded is in general greatest for the domestic linerboards. The observed differences in linerboard weight between the domestic and European samples are in most cases greater than the differences in the nominal linerboard weights. In general, the linerboards from Svenska Cellulosa are lower in weight than the corresponding grade weight from Enso Gutseit. It may be further observed that even though the European linerboards are lower in weight they are considerably higher in bursting strength than the domestic linerboard.

With the above as background, it may be appropriate now to consider the results obtained on the combined board and boxes fabricated with domestic and European linerboards. It may be recalled that the program involved the fabrication of one domestic and two European linerboards at each of four "Competitive" linerboard grade weight levels. At each level, each linerboard was fabricated with 26-lb. domestic and 23-lb. European semichemical medium in A- and B-flute boxes. Thus, at each weight level each linerboard was used in the fabrication of four combined boards varying only in type of medium or flute. Because of the limited number of linerboard samples and the fact that each linerboard sample was involved in the same four material or structural combinations at each grade weight level, the data have been assembled on the following basis for the purpose of showing the comparative performance:

1. Linerboards fabricated with 26-lb. domestic medium into A-flute combined board and boxes.
2. Linerboards fabricated with 26-lb. domestic medium into B-flute combined board and boxes.
3. Linerboards fabricated with 23-lb. European medium into A-flute combined board and boxes.
4. Linerboard fabricated with 23-lb. European medium into B-flute combined board and boxes.
5. Composite averages of A- and B-flute combined board and boxes.

B. Comparative Performance of Boxes Fabricated with U.S. and European Linerboards

I. Compression Performance

The box compression results obtained at 50 and 65% R.H. are tabulated in Tables III and IV, respectively, and illustrated in Fig. 2a. The results tabulated in Tables III and IV have been analyzed statistically (see Appendix for procedure) for the purpose of determining whether the differences in composite averages are significant at the 1 and 5% levels and also for the purpose of determining the 5% confidence limits shown in Fig. 2 at each level of linerboard weight.

When the top-load box compression results are considered it may be observed from the data in Tables III and IV and Fig. 2a that the 25.6-26.0-lb. sheet-board grade weight level, the boxes made with U.S. linerboard exhibit higher average box compression at 50 and 65% R.H. than do the boxes made with ~~two~~ Cutsetit or Svenska Cellulosa linerboards. The top-load compression results for the boxes made with U.S. linerboard and tested at 50% R.H. are approximately ~~35~~ higher than the corresponding results for the boxes made with European

TABLE III
BOX COMPRESSION PERFORMANCE
(50% Relative Humidity)

Run	Ply	Type	Test	J 3			Top-Load (0-0.75 in.), 1b			End-Load (0-0.5 in.), 1b			
				Liner	% ^a	Liner	Diff., % ^a	Liner	Diff., % ^a	Liner	Diff., % ^a	Liner	Diff., % ^a
25, 6, 2c 0-1b Linerboards													
2	A	25-1b	U S	530	510	- 3.8	520	- 1.9	270	245	- 9.3	255	- 5.6
3	B	25-1b	C	500	445	- 13.3	440	- 4.3	330	340	+ 3.0	345	+ 4.5
4	A	25-1b	European	365	520	- 8.0	530	- 6.2	255	230	- 9.6	255	0.0
5	B	25-1b	European	465	425	- 6.5	435	- 6.5	330	320	- 3.0	320	- 3.0
Average				505	478	- 5.3(- .1)b	481	- 5.1(.01)	296	284	- 4.1(N S)	294	- 3.7(N S)
30, 7, 35 0-1b Linerboards													
1	A	26-1b	U S	525	615	+ 3.4	610	+ 2.5	345	350	+ 1.4	340	- 1.7
2	B	26-1b	U S	515	545	0.0	525	- 3.7	480	410	- 14.6	440	+ 8.3
3	A	25-1b	European	520	595	+ 0.8	625	+ 5.9	350	335	- 4.3	355	+ 1.4
4	B	25-1b	Euro. Berlin	545	555	+ 1.8	515	- 5.5	420	415	- 1.2	415	+ 1.2
Average				569	578	+ 1.6(.01)	569	0.0(N S)	399	378	- 5.3(.01)	388	- 2.8(N S)
35, 8, 38.0-1b Linerboards													
1	A	26-1b	U S	535	650	+ 8.7	540	+ 0.8	420	405	+ 1.2	385	- 3.8
2	B	26-1b	U S	565	600	+ 5.2	590	+ 4.4	535	520	- 2.8	435	- 3.7
3	A	25-1b	European	560	675	+ 2.3	630	- 4.5	425	415	+ 2.3	390	- 2.5
4	B	25-1b	European	560	635	+ 13.4	585	+ 4.5	450	495	+ 7.6	425	- 7.6
Average				569	650	+ 7.4(.01)	611	+ 1.0(N S)	449	459	+ 2.2(N S)	409	- 8.9(.01)
41, 42-1b. Linerboards													
25	A	26-1b	U S.	730	775	+ 6.2	715	- 2.1	455	470	+ 3.3	495	+ 8.8
26	B	26-1b	U S	560	640	+ 6.7	640	+ 6.7	590	610	+ 3.4	535	+ 9.3
27	A	25-1b	European	725	815	+ 12.4	740	+ 2.1	440	485	+ 10.2	490	+ 11.4
28	B	25-1b	European	630	575	+ 5.7	650	+ 13.0	535	600	+ 12.1	575	+ 7.5
Average				552	715	+ 8.7(.01)	686	+ 2.7(.01)	505	541	+ 7.1(.01)	524	+ 3.8(N S)

^aSpec on J S liner results at most severe
load level. Parenthesis = C.R. - C.R. / C.R.
in percent. Difference = C.R. - C.R. / C.R.
in percent.

TABLE IV
BOX COMPRESSION PERFORMANCE
(65% Relative Humidity)

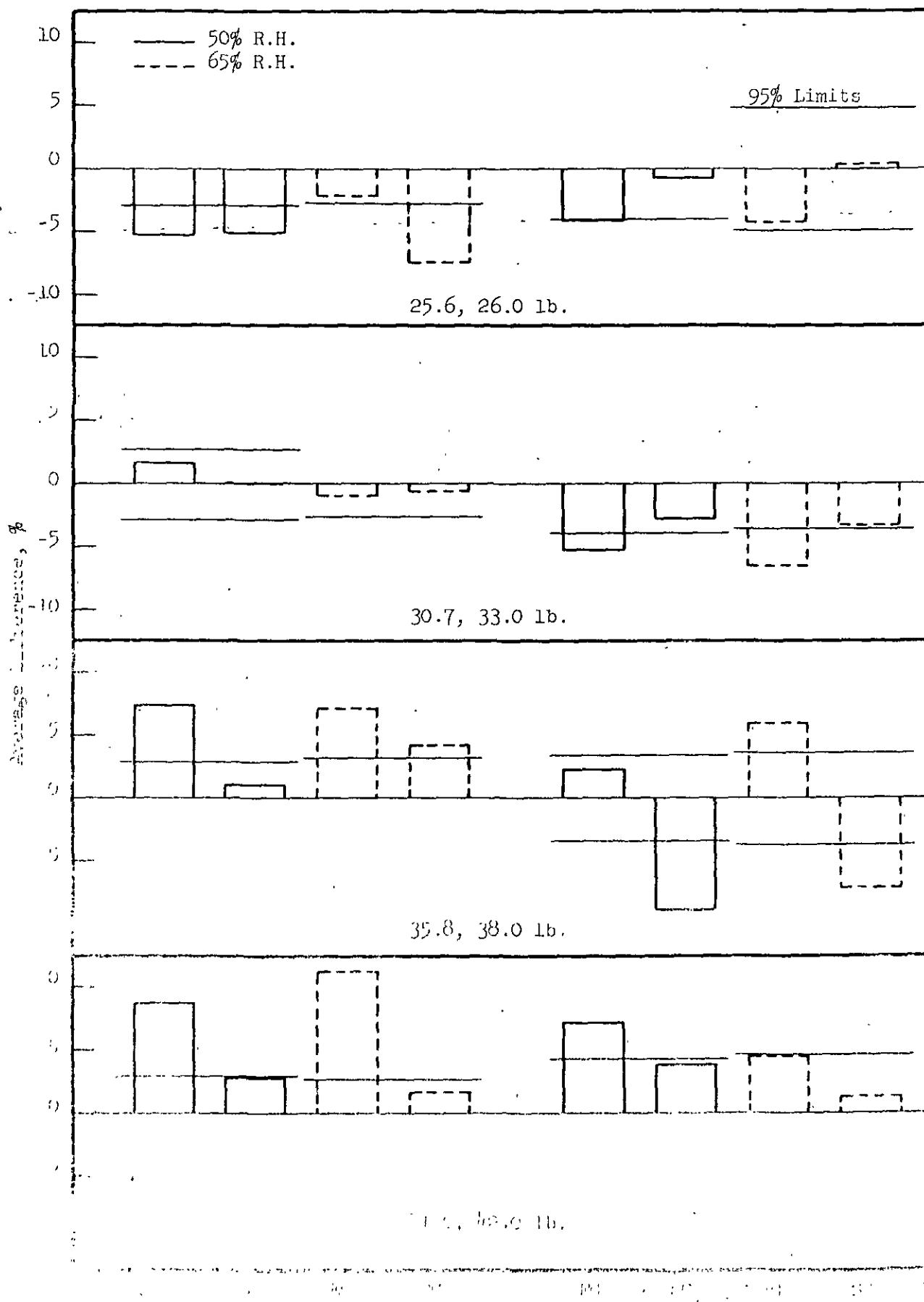
Run	Flute	Type Medium	Top-Load (0-0.75 in.), lb.				End-Load (0-0.5 in.), lb.			
			U.S. Liner	E.G. Liner	Diff., % a	S.C. Liner	U.S. Liner	E.G. Liner	Diff., % a	S.C. Liner
25.6, 26.0-lb. Linerboard										
3, 2, 6	A	26-lb. U. S.	490	465	- 5.1	470	- 4.1	235	210	- 10.6
3, 2, 6	B	26-lb. U. S.	405	425	+ 4.9	405	0.0	310	305	- 1.6
4, 1, 5	A	25-lb. European	520	515	- 1.0	455	-12.5	225	220	- 2.2
4, 1, 5	B	23-lb. European	450	420	- 6.7	395	-12.2	290	280	- 3.4
Average			466	456	- 2.1(N.S.) ^b	431	- 7.5(.01)	265	254	- 4.2(N.S.)
10, 7, 11	A	26-lb. U. S.	560	540	- 3.6	545	- 2.7	330	305	- 7.6
10, 7, 11	B	26-lb. U. S.	495	510	+ 3.0	495	0.0	420	355	-15.5
9, 8, 12	A	23-lb. European	540	545	+ 0.9	575	+ 6.5	305	305	0.0
9, 8, 12	B	23-lb. European	500	480	- 4.0	470	- 6.0	395	385	- 2.5
Average			524	519	- 1.0(N.S.)	521	- 0.6(N.S.)	362	338	- 6.6(.01)
15, 14, 18	A	26-lb. U. S.	600	605	+ 0.8	625	+ 4.2	360	370	+ 2.8
15, 14, 18	B	26-lb. U. S.	535	570	+ 6.5	570	+ 6.5	480	485	+ 1.0
15, 13, 17	A	23-lb. European	600	610	+ 1.7	615	+ 2.5	345	400	+15.9
15, 13, 17	B	23-lb. European	510	620	+21.6	525	+ 2.9	445	475	+ 6.7
Average			561	601	+ 7.1(.01)	584	+ 4.1(.01)	408	432	+ 5.9(.01)
35.8, 38.0-lb. Linerboard										
23, 19, 22	A	26-lb. U. S.	670	750	+11.9	685	+ 2.2	420	440	+ 4.8
23, 19, 22	B	26-lb. U. S.	570	620	+ 8.8	580	+ 1.8	540	555	+ 2.8
24, 20, 21	A	23-lb. European	675	735	+ 8.9	625	- 7.4	410	470	+14.6
24, 20, 21	B	23-lb. European	515	600	+16.5	580	+12.6	550	540	- 1.8
Average			608	676	+11.2(.01)	618	+ 1.6(N.S.)	480	501	+ 4.4(N.S.)
Over-all average			540	563	+ 4.3	538	- 0.4	379	381	+ 0.5
									372	- 1.8

a Based on U. S. liner results as reference.

b Value in parenthesis indicates significance level: (.01) means difference is significant at 1% level; (.05) significant at 5% level; (N.S.) difference not statistically significant at 1 or 5% level.

Top-Load

End-Load



Comparison of Average Differences in Box Compression Performance

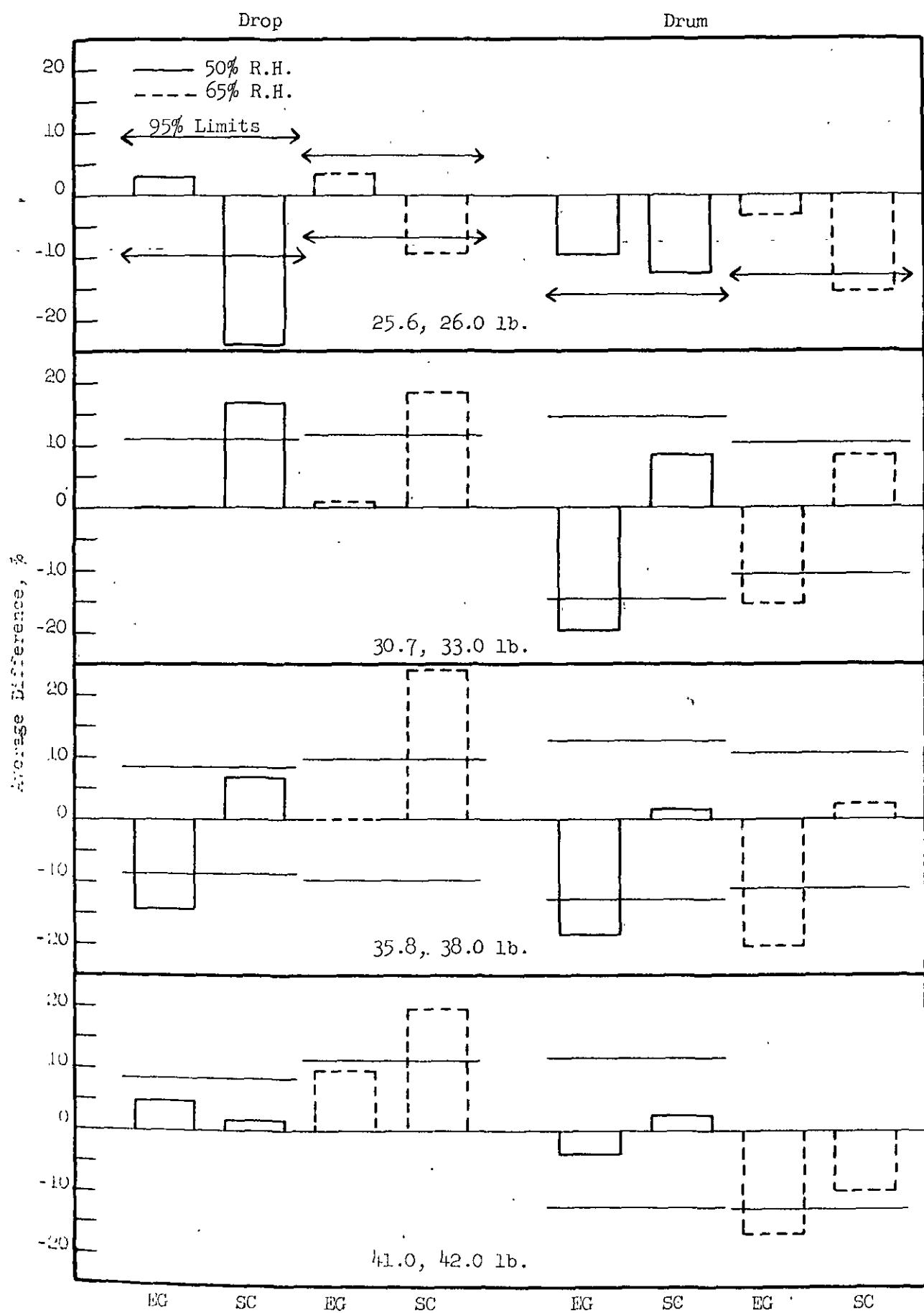


Figure 2b. Comparison of Average Difference in Rough Handling

linerboards, the differences are statistically significant at the 1% level. In other words, differences such as shown for composite averages could occur by chance only one out of a hundred times. At 65% R.H. the composite average differences were 2.1 and 7.5%, respectively, for the boxes made with Enso Gutseit and Svenska Cellulosa linerboards. The difference between the results for the boxes made with U.S. and Enso Gutseit linerboards is not significant whereas the corresponding difference for the Svenska Cellulosa linerboard is significant.

At the 30.7 - 33.0-lb. linerboard grade weight level, the composite average top-load compression results differ by 1.6% or less at 50 and 65% R.H. These differences are in general too small to be termed significant, thus, the conclusion is drawn that at this level there is no significant difference in box compression due to type of linerboard.

When the results at the 35.8 - 38.0-lb. linerboard grade weight level are considered, it may be seen that the boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard exhibit top-load compression results at 50 and 65% R.H. which were 7.4 and 7.1% higher, respectively, than the boxes made with U.S. linerboard. These differences are found to be large enough to represent significant differences at the 1% level. The corresponding results for the boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa are also higher (1.0 and 4.1%) than the results for the boxes made with U.S. linerboard - the 1.0% difference is not significant at the 5% level whereas the 4.1% difference is significant at the 1% level.

At the 41.0 - 42.0-lb. linerboard grade weight level the boxes made with European linerboards exhibit higher top-load compression results than the corresponding boxes made with U.S. linerboard. The results at 50 and 65% R.H. are, respectively, 8.7 and 11.2% higher for the boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard and 2.7 and 1.6% higher for the boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa.

linerboard than the corresponding boxes made with U.S. linerboard. The differences observed for the boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard are found to be significant at the 1% level. The difference (2.7%) noted for the boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard at 50% R.H. is significant whereas the difference (1.6%) at 65%-R.H. is not-significant.

On the basis of the compression results obtained on the boxes fabricated in this study, it appears that at the lowest linerboard grade weight the boxes made with U.S. linerboard exhibit higher top-load compression than the boxes made with slightly lighter weight but higher bursting strength European linerboards. At the 30.7 - 33.0-lb linerboard grade weight level the top-load compression is the same for the boxes made with U.S. and European linerboards — that is, there is, in general, no significant difference in the results. At the 35.7, 38.0-lb and 41.0, 42.0-lb. linerboard grade weight levels, the boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard exhibit significantly higher compression results than the corresponding boxes made with U.S. linerboard. When the results for boxes made with U.S. and Svenska Cellulosa linerboards are compared, it may be seen that, in general, the U.S. box results were either only slightly lower or equal on the basis of composite averages.

It was pointed out earlier that one of the characteristic differences between domestic and European fourdrinier kraft linerboard is the bursting strength-weight ratio. European (Scandinavian) linerboard is manufactured at a nominal grade weight 15-7.0% lower than the corresponding U.S. linerboard but with a substantially higher bursting strength (10-35%). The European practice of turning to a lower weight places U.S. containerboard in a difficult position in the export market because of the difference in square footage per ton. Accordingly, in order to compare the performance on an equal weight basis, the results indicated in Tables III and IV have been converted to a unit weight basis by

divide the box compression results by their corresponding combined board weight multiplied by 100. Thus, the calculated compression results are expressed as pounds of box compression per 100 pounds of combined board weight. The results on the unit weight basis are presented in Tables V and VI and graphically illustrated in Fig. 3a. When the top-load box compression results at the 25.6, 26.0-level are expressed on a unit combined board weight basis, it may be seen that the boxes made with U.S. linerboard generally exhibit slightly higher top-load compression results than the corresponding boxes made with European linerboards; however, it is doubtful that the differences noted are significant. In other words, at this level of linerboard weight it appears that the top-load box compression per unit of combined board weight is not significantly different. Thus the advantage noted earlier on a box basis is erased when compared on a unit weight basis.

On a unit weight basis, the compression results obtained on the boxes made with U.S. linerboards are lower at the three other grade weights than the boxes made with European linerboards. On the basis of composite average differences the results are:

Grade-Weight	S.	Av. Difference Composite Avs., %			
		50% R.H.		65% R.H.	
E.G.	S.C.	E.G.	S.C.		
20.7		+7.5	+6.8	+4.5	+6.9
25.8		+11.1	+5.5	+12.9	+9.5
31.0		+11.3	+9.6	+13.1	+6.3

In all cases, the average differences at the three weight levels are approximately 4.5 - 13.1% lower than the differences at the 25.6 - 26.0% level.

The differences are significant. In general, at these weight levels the boxes made with U.S. linerboards ranged from approximately 4.5% to 13.1% lower compression values than boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboards and approximately 4.5% to 10.6% lower compression values than boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboards.

TABLE V
COMPARISON OF COMPRESSION PERFORMANCE PER UNIT WEIGHT OF COMBINED BOARD
(50% Relative Humidity)

Run	Flute	Type	Medium	Top-Load Compression, lb./100-lb. Combined Board Weight				End-Load Compression, lb./100-lb. Combined Board Weight			
				U.S. Liner	E.G. Liner	Diff. %	S.C. Liner	U.S. Liner	E.G. Liner	Diff. %	S.C. Liner
25.6, 26.0-lb. Linerboard											
3, 2, 6	A	26-lb.	U.S.	520	515	- 1.0	536	+ 3.1	265	247	- 6.8
3, 2, 6	B	26-lb.	U.S.	489	473	- 3.3	469	- 4.1	351	362	+ 3.1
4, 1, 5	A	23-lb.	European	583	553	- 5.1	570	- 2.2	263	245	- 6.8
4, 1, 5	B	23-lb.	European	511	489	- 4.3	489	- 4.3	363	360	- 0.8
Average				526	509	- 3.2	517	- 1.7	308	302	- 1.9
30.7, 33.0-lb. Linerboard											
10, 7, 11	A	26-lb.	U.S.	522	569	+ 9.0	570	+ 9.2	303	324	+ 6.9
10, 7, 11	B	26-lb.	U.S.	491	519	+ 5.7	505	+ 2.9	432	390	- 9.7
9, 8, 12	A	23-lb.	European	542	572	+ 5.5	607	+12.0	321	322	+ 0.3
9, 8, 12	B	23-lb.	European	514	555	+ 8.0	526	+ 2.3	396	415	+ 5.3
Average				517	556	+ 7.5	552	+ 6.8	362	363	+ 0.3
35.8, 38.0-lb. Linerboard											
15, 14, 18	A	26-lb.	U.S.	516	580	+12.0	542	+ 5.0	325	340	+ 4.6
15, 14, 18	B	26-lb.	U.S.	475	526	+10.7	518	+ 9.1	450	456	+ 1.3
16, 15, 17	A	23-lb.	European	559	592	+ 5.9	558	- 0.2	339	364	+ 7.4
16, 15, 17	B	23-lb.	European	496	583	+17.5	547	+10.3	407	454	+11.5
Average				513	570	+11.1	541	+ 5.5	381	403	+ 5.8
41.0, 42.0-lb. Linerboard											
23, 19, 22	A	26-lb.	U.S.	562	605	+ 7.7	577	+ 2.7	350	367	+ 4.9
23, 19, 22	B	26-lb.	U.S.	476	525	+10.3	542	+13.9	468	500	+ 6.8
24, 20, 21	A	23-lb.	European	575	663	+15.3	617	+ 7.3	349	394	+12.9
24, 20, 21	B	23-lb.	European	479	529	+10.4	560	+16.9	446	504	+13.0
Average				522	581	+11.3	572	+ 9.6	401	440	+ 9.7

a See Note Table III.

TABLE VI
COMPARISON OF COMPRESSION PERFORMANCE PER UNIT WEIGHT OF COMBINED BOARD
(65% Relative Humidity)

Run	Flute	Type	Medium	Top-Load Compression, lb / 100-lb Combined Board Weight				End-Load Compression, lb / 100-lb Combined Board Weight					
				U.S. Liner	E.G. Liner	Diff., %	S.C. Liner	U.S. Liner	E.G. Liner	Diff., %	S.C. Liner		
3, 2, 6	A	26-lb.	U.S.	471	460	- 1.2	475	+ 0.8	226	208	- 8.0	237	+ 4.0
3, 2, 6	B	26-lb.	U.S.	413	413	+ 7.3	422	+ 2.2	316	318	+ 0.6	318	+ 0.6
4, 1, 5	A	23-lb.	European	525	536	+ 2.1	479	- 8.8	227	229	+ 0.9	232	+ 2.2
4, 1, 5	B	23-lb.	European	479	462	- 3.5	439	- 8.4	309	308	- 0.3	339	+ 9.7
Average				471	475	+ 0.8	454	- 3.6	268	265	- 1.1	280	+ 4.5
10, 7, 11	A	26-lb.	U.S.	483	486	+ 0.6	495	+ 2.4	284	275	- 3.2	277	- 2.5
10, 7, 11	B	26-lb.	U.S.	438	481	+ 9.8	467	+ 6.6	372	335	- 9.9	392	+ 5.4
9, 8, 12	A	23-lb.	European	482	509	+ 6.2	553	+ 15.0	272	285	+ 4.8	322	+ 18.4
9, 8, 12	B	23-lb.	European	455	471	+ 3.5	465	+ 2.2	359	377	+ 5.0	376	+ 4.7
Average				464	485	+ 4.5	496	+ 6.9	320	316	- 1.3	342	+ 6.9
15, 14, 18	A	26-lb.	U.S.	476	492	+ 3.4	521	+ 9.5	286	301	+ 5.2	283	- 1.0
15, 14, 18	B	26-lb.	U.S.	442	491	+ 11.1	496	+ 12.2	397	418	+ 5.3	396	- 0.3
16, 13, 17	A	23-lb.	European	492	521	+ 5.9	530	+ 7.7	283	342	+ 20.8	302	+ 6.7
16, 13, 17	B	23-lb.	European	443	554	+ 25.1	482	+ 6.5	387	424	+ 9.7	339	- 12.4
Average				464	514	+ 12.9	508	+ 9.5	337	369	+ 9.5	330	- 2.1
23, 19, 22	A	26-lb.	U.S.	504	573	+ 13.7	531	+ 5.4	316	336	+ 6.3	333	+ 5.4
23, 19, 22	B	26-lb.	U.S.	445	492	+ 11.7	472	+ 6.1	422	440	+ 4.3	451	+ 6.9
24, 20, 21	A	23-lb.	European	527	579	+ 9.9	512	- 2.8	320	370	+ 15.6	352	+ 10.0
24, 20, 21	B	23-lb.	European	422	496	+ 17.5	504	+ 4.3	451	446	- 1.1	461	+ 2.2
Average				475	537	+ 15.1	505	+ 6.3	375	398	+ 6.1	398	+ 6.1

a See Note Table III.

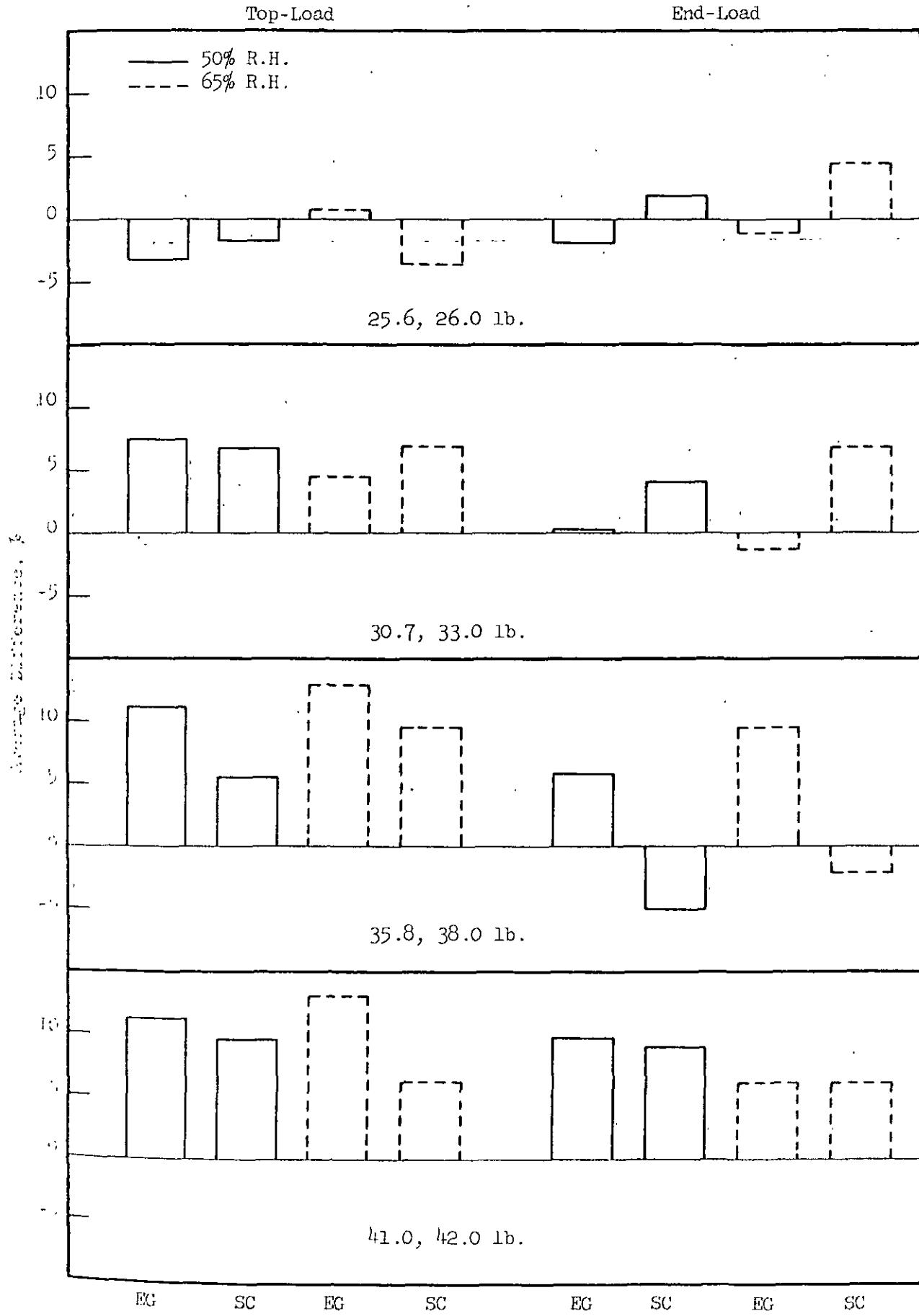


Fig. 3a. Comparison of Average Difference in Test Compression Performance

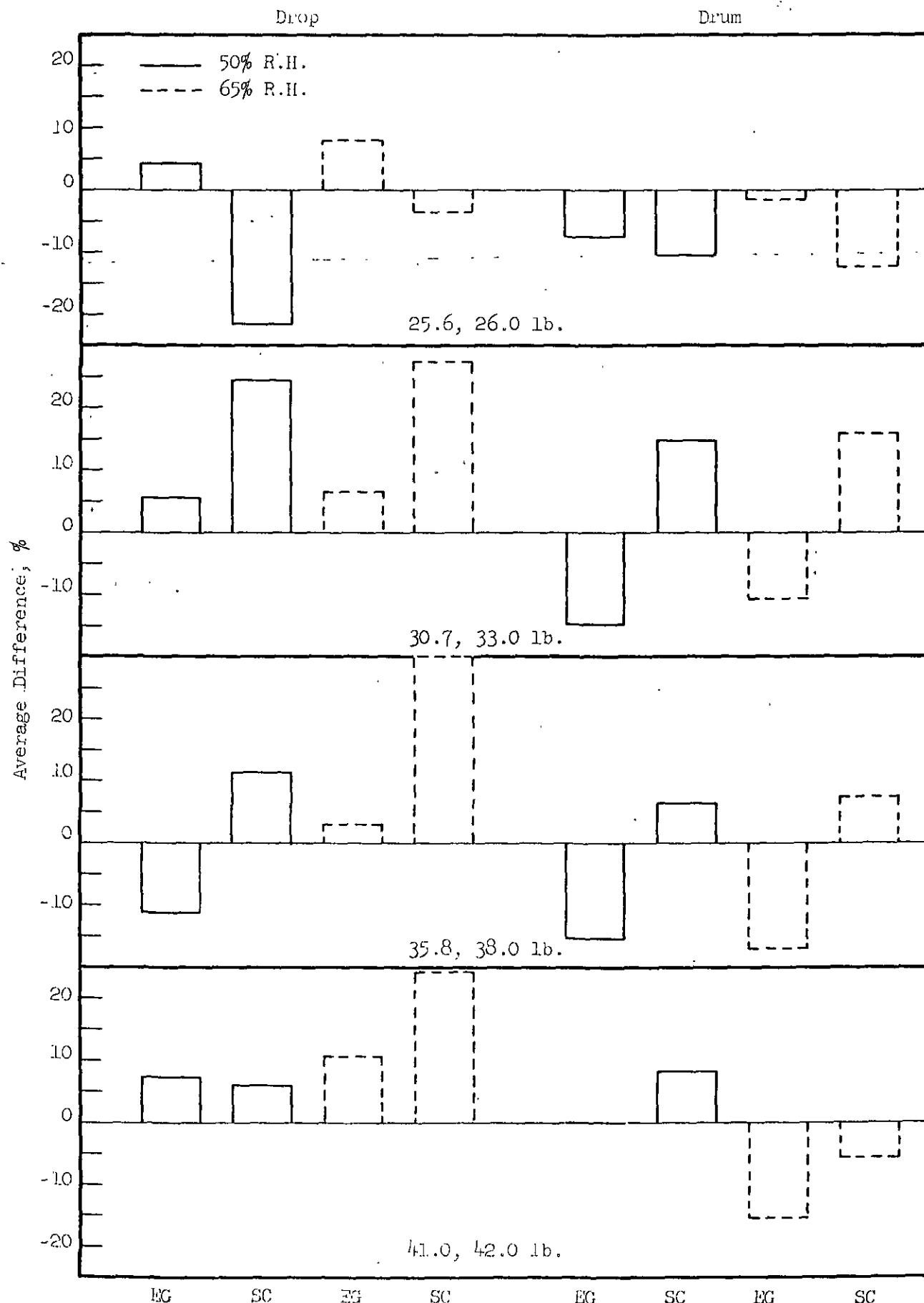


Figure 3b. Comparison of Average Difference in Rough Handling Performance on Equal Weight Basis

The comparative end-load compression performance of boxes made with domestic and European linerboards at four different linerboard grade weight levels may be seen from a comparison of the results tabulated in Tables III and IV and graphically illustrated in Fig. 2a. It may be seen that at the 25.6, 26.0-lb. linerboard grade weight level the composite average end-load compression result on boxes made with U.S. linerboard is approximately +.0% higher than the corresponding result for boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard and approximately the same as the boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard. The differences are not statistically significant; thus it appears that at this level of linerboard weight there is no difference in end-load box compression. In contrast, it may be recalled that at this weight level the U.S. linerboard boxes exhibited significantly higher top-load compression on a box basis.

At the 30.7, 33.0-lb. linerboard grade weight level the boxes made with U.S. linerboard exhibit higher end-load box compression results than the boxes made with European linerboards. The boxes made with U.S. linerboard averaged 5.3 and 6.6% higher, respectively, at 50 and 65% R.H. than the corresponding results on boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard. These differences are found to be statistically significant. In contrast, the boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard averaged only 2.8 and 0.8% lower than the corresponding U.S. linerboard boxes. These differences are not significant. When the results at 35.8, 38.0-lb. linerboard grade weight level are compared, it may be seen that the boxes made with U.S. linerboard exhibit end-load compression results 2.2 and 1.1% lower, respectively, at 50 and 65% R.H. than the corresponding boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard, but 8.9 and 7.1% higher, respectively, at 50 and 65% R.H. than the boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard. The composite average difference noted between U.S. and Enso Gutseit linerboard boxes at 50%

R.H. is not statistically significant whereas the corresponding difference at 65% R.H. is significant. The average differences noted between U.S. and Svenska Cellulosa boxes are significant at each humidity. At the 41.0, 42.0-lb. linerboard grade weight level the boxes made with U.S. linerboard exhibit lower end-load results on the average than the corresponding boxes made with European linerboards; however, the differences noted are statistically significant only for the boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard and tested at 50% R.H.

On the basis of the end-load box compression results obtained on the boxes fabricated and evaluated in this study, it appears that at the lowest linerboard weight level the boxes made with European linerboards exhibit the same level of end-load compression as the boxes made with U.S. linerboard. In contrast, top-load compression at this linerboard grade weight level is higher for the boxes made with U.S. linerboard. At the 30.7, 33.0-lb. grade weight level the boxes made with Enso Gutseit and Svenska Cellulosa linerboards exhibited lower end-load compression than the boxes made with U.S. linerboard. In contrast, there was, on the average, no significant difference in top-load compression strength between boxes made with European and U.S. linerboards. At the 35.8, 38.0-lb. linerboard grade weight level the boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard are slightly higher in end-load compression than the boxes made with U.S. linerboard; whereas the boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard are significantly lower in end-load compression than the boxes made with U.S. linerboard. Relative to the top-load compression of boxes made with U.S. linerboard, the top-load compression of boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard was approximately 7% higher, whereas that of boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard ~~equal or higher~~ was slightly lower. The end-load compression of the boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard at the 41.0, 42.0-lb. linerboard grade weight level is not significantly different from the results on the boxes made with U.S. linerboard.

In general, the same behavior was noted for top-load compression. The end-load results for the boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard average 4-7% higher than the results obtained on the boxes made with U.S. linerboard, although the differences are statistically significant only at 50% R.H. The same behavior was noted for top-load except that the differences were statistically significant at both 50 and 65% R.H.

In order to adjust for the difference in weight, the end-load compression results tabulated in Tables III and IV have been converted to pounds compression per unit weight of combined board. The compression results on a unit weight basis are tabulated in Tables V and VI and graphically illustrated in Fig. 3a.* It may be noted that on a unit weight basis the results at the 25.6, 26.0-lb. grade weight level appear not to be significantly different. This is the same as was noted earlier when the results were compared on a box basis. On a unit weight basis, at the 30.7, 33.0-lb. grade weight level, the end-load compression results for the boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard are approximately the same as for the boxes made with U.S. linerboard. It may be recalled that on a box basis, the compression for the U.S. linerboard boxes was significantly higher. The boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard, in general, exhibit higher end-load compression than boxes made with U.S. linerboard because of the lower weight, whereas on a box basis there was no significant difference. When the results at the 35.8, 38.0-lb. grade weight level are considered, it may be noted that on a unit weight basis the end-load compression for the boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard are significantly higher, whereas the results for the boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard are, on the average, lower than the corresponding results for the boxes made with U.S. linerboard. The same trend was found when compared on a box basis. On a unit weight basis at the 41.0, 42.0-lb. grade weight level, the boxes made with Enso

* See page 45.

Gutseit and Svenska Celulosa linerboards exhibit higher end-load compression than the corresponding boxes made with U.S. linerboard. The same trend was noted on a box basis; however, the differences were not significant except in one case - Enso Gutseit linerboard boxes at 50% R.H.

2. Rough Handling Performance

Rough handling, which is one of the major categories of end-use requirements, is evaluated in this study in terms of corner drop and drum tests. For purposes of this study, the end-point used is the number of drops or falls, as the case may be, which the box resisted prior to failure as denoted by a spilling of the contents which in this case consisted of 24, No. 12-ounce cans filled with water. It should be emphasized in interpreting drop and drum results that these tests are impact fatigue tests and both fatigue and impact tests are characterized by high variability; thus, it is to be expected that greater differences in test results may occur by chance than was noted for box compression. Saying it another way, greater differences may be expected before they are significantly different.

The drop and drum results obtained at 50 and 65% R.H. are tabulated in Tables VII and VIII, respectively, and illustrated in Fig. 2b*. The drop and drum results have been analyzed by the same statistical technique as was used with the compression results for the purpose of determining if the composite averages at a given grade weight level are significantly different or whether the observed difference could occur by chance due to the variability associated with the materials and methods of evaluation.

It may be noted from the results tabulated in Tables VII and VIII and illustrated in Fig. 2b*, that at the 25.6, 26.0-lb. grade weight level the average drop results for the boxes at 50 and 65% R.H. made with U.S. linerboard are

TABLE VII
ROUGH HANDLING PERFORMANCE

Run	Flute	Type	Medium	US				EG				SC				Drum, fall			
				Liner	Diff.	% ^a	Liner	Diff.	% ^a	Liner	Diff.	% ^a	Liner	Diff.	% ^a	Liner	Diff.	% ^a	
Corner Drop, drop																			
3, 2, 6	A	26-1b	U S	9.1	9.4	+ 3.3	6.5	-28.6	84	77	- 8.3	75	-10.7						
3, 2, 6	B	26-1b	U S	6.2	6.1	- 1.6	5.0	-19.4	56	56	0 0	51	- 8.9						
4, 1, 5	A	23-1b	European	6.6	6.9	+ 4.5	5.0	-24.2	67	45	-32.8	67	0 0						
4, 1, 5	B	23-1b	European	4.8	5.1	+ 6.2	3.8	-20.8	45	48	+ 6.7	25	-44.4						
Average				6.7	6.9	.3 0(N.S.) ^b	5.1	-23.9(01)	63	57	- 9.5(N.S.)	55	-12.7(N.S.)						
25 6, 26.0-1b Linerboard																			
10, 7, 11	A	26-1b	U S	10.1	9.4	- 6.9	10.5	+ 4.0	110	99	-10.0	118	+ 7.3						
10, 7, 11	B	26-1b	U S	6.5	6.8	+ 4.6	8.2	+26.2	63	62	- 1.6	87	+38.1						
9, 8, 12	A	23-1b	European	8.7	7.8	-10.3	10.5	+20.7	110	56	-49.1	87	-20.9						
9, 8, 12	B	23-1b	European	5.6	6.6	+17.9	6.8	+21.4	42	43	+ 2.4	60	+42.9						
Average				7.7	7.7	0 0(N.S.)	9.0	+16.9(01)	81	65	-19.8(.01)	88	+ 8.6(N.S.)						
30 7, 33 0-1b Linerboard																			
15, 14, 18	A	26-1b	U S	12.2	10.8	-11.5	13.8	+13.1	154	122	-20.8	146	- 5.2						
15, 14, 18	B	26-1b.	U .S.	10.1	8.5	-15.8	11.2	+10.9	88	76	-13.6	116	+31.8						
16, 15, 17	A	23-1b.	European	11.6	8.9	-23.3	-	11.0 - 5.2	120	91	-24.2	106	-11.7						
16, 15, 17	B	23-1b.	European	8.2	7.7	-6.1	8.7	+ 6.1	74	68	- 8.1	74	0 0						
Average				10.5	9.0	-14.3(.01)	11.2	+ 6.7(N.S.)	109	89	-18.3(.01)	111	+ 1.8(N.S.)						
35 8, 38 0-1b Linerboard																			
23, 19, 22	A	26-1b.	U S	13.3	13.2	- 0.8	12.7	- 4.5	144	151	+ 4.9	141	- 2.1						
23, 19, 22	B	26-1b.	U .S.	9.9	9.6	- 3.0	10.7	+ 8.1	94	96	+ 2.1	82	-12.8						
24, 20, 21	A	23-1b	European	10.4	11.5	+11.5	10.1	- 2.9	110	107	- 2.7	116	+ 5.5						
24, 20, 21	B	23-1b	European	8.0	9.2	+15.0	8.9	+11.2	77	54	-29.9	95	+23.4						
Average				10.4	10.9	+ 4.9(N.S.)	10.6	+ 1.9(N.S.)	106	102	- 3.7(N.S.)	109	+ 2.8(N.S.)						

^a Based on U. S liner results as reference

^b Value in parenthesis indicates significance level: (.01) means difference is significant at 1% level, (.05) significant at 5% level, (N.S.) difference not statistically significant at 1 or 5% level

TABLE VIII
ROUGH HANDLING PERFORMANCE
• (65% Relative Humidity)

<u>Run</u>	<u>Flute</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Medium</u>	<u>U.S.</u>	<u>E.G.</u>	<u>Corner Drop, drop</u>	<u>S.C.</u>	<u>S.G.</u>	<u>Drum, fall</u>	<u>S. C.</u>
				<u>Liner</u>	<u>Liner</u>	<u>% a</u>	<u>Liner</u>	<u>Liner</u>	<u>Diff., % a</u>	<u>Liner</u>
3, 2, 6	A	26-1b.	U. S.	11.4	11.3	- 0.9	10.9	- 4.4	92	82
3, 2, 6	B	26-1b.	U. S.	8.6	9.2	+ 7.0	7.1	- 17.4	52	55
4, 1, 5	A	23-1b.	European	8.1	8.6	+ 6.2	7.4	- 8.6	62	55
4, 1, 5	B	23-1b.	European	6.9	7.3	+ 5.8	6.8	- 1.4	51	54
Average				8.8	9.1	+ 3.4(N.S.) ^b	8.0	- 9.1(N.S.)	64	62
									- 3.1(N.S.)	54
										- 15.6(.05)
10, 7, 11	A	26-1b.	U. S.	13.0	12.0	- 7.7	14.4	+10.8	99	93
10, 7, 11	B	26-1b.	U. S.	9.1	10.6	+16.5	12.0	+31.9	80	65
9, 8, 12	A	23-1b.	European	10.4	10.1	- 2.9	14.1	+35.6	106	78
9, 8, 12	B	23-1b.	European	8.9	9.2	+ 3.4	8.8	- 1.1	55	52
Average				10.4	10.5	+ 1.0(N.S.)	12.3	+18.3(.01)	85	72
									- 15.3(.01)	92
										+ 8.2(N.S.)
15, 14, 18	A	26-1b.	U. S.	13.6	14.3	+ 5.1	20.1	+47.8	150	105
15, 14, 18	B	26-1b.	U. S.	12.2	9.9	-18.9	14.0	+14.8	94	75
16, 13, 17	A	23-1b.	European	11.7	12.9	+10.3	13.4	+14.5	118	105
16, 13, 17	B	23-1b.	European	10.8	11.3	+ 4.6	12.4	+14.8	94	80
Average				12.1	12.1	0.0(N.S.)	15.0	+24.0(.01)	114	91
									- 20.2(.01)	92
										- 2.1(N.S.)
23, 19, 22	A	26-1b.	U. S.	15.9	18.4	+15.7	18.6	+17.0	185	154
23, 19, 22	B	26-1b.	U. S.	11.9	13.9	+16.8	12.1	+10.1	104	110
24, 20, 21	A	23-1b.	European	12.9	13.5	+ 4.7	17.3	+34.1	153	97
24, 20, 21	B	23-1b.	European	11.7	11.9	+ 1.7	13.8	+17.9	98	61
Average				13.1	14.4	+ 9.9(N.S.)	15.7	+19.8(.01)	135	113
									- 16.3(.05)	122
										- 9.6(N.S.)

^a Based on U. S. liner results as reference.

^b Value in parenthesis indicates significance level: (.01) means difference is significant at 1% level; (.05) significant at 5% level; (N.S.) difference not statistically significant at 1 or 5% level.

slightly lower than the corresponding results for boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard, however, the differences are too small to be statistically significant. The drop results for the boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboards are considerably lower at 50 and 65% R.H. than the corresponding results on the boxes made with U.S. linerboard, however, only the differences at 50% R.H. are statistically significant. The drop results at the 30.7, 35.0-lb grade weight level for the boxes made with U.S. linerboard and tested at 50 and 65% R.H. are approximately equal to the corresponding results for the boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard. On the other hand, the drop results obtained on the boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard are significantly higher, 16.9 and 18.3%, respectively, at 50 and 65% R.H. than the corresponding results obtained on boxes made with U.S. linerboard.

At the 35.8, 38.0-lb grade weight level there is no clearly defined trend. The drop results on boxes made with U.S. linerboard and tested at 50% R.H. are significantly higher (14.3%) than the corresponding results obtained on the boxes fabricated with Enso Gutseit linerboard, at 65% R.H. the composite averages are equal. In contrast, the drop results for the boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard are higher, 6.7 and 24.0%, respectively, at 50 and 65% R.H., than the corresponding results for boxes made with U.S. linerboard, however, only the results at 65% R.H. are statistically significant. The drop results at 41.0, 42.0-lb grade weight level for boxes made with U.S. linerboard are, on the average, lower than the corresponding results for boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboards. However, only the results for the boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard and tested at 65% R.H. are statistically higher than the corresponding results for the boxes made with U.S. linerboard.

Because of the disparity in the weight of European and domestic linerboard the drop test results tabulated in Tables VII and VIII have been converted to a unit weight basis in order that the drop test performance may be compared on the same weight basis. The drop test results on a unit weight basis are tabulated in Tables IX and X and illustrated in Fig. 3b*. It may be seen that at the 25.6, 26.0-lb. grade weight level the trend is the same as was noted on the box basis - namely, the drop results on the boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard average slightly higher and those for the boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard lower than the results for the corresponding boxes made with U.S. linerboard. It is doubtful if the differences are significant, except that for the Svenska Cellulosa linerboard boxes at 50% R.H., wherein the results are 21.4% lower than for the U.S. linerboard boxes.

When the drop results at 30.7, 33.0-lb. grade weight level are converted to a unit weight basis, it may be noted that, on the average, the results for boxes made with U.S. linerboard are slightly lower than the results for the boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard. On the other hand, the corresponding results for the boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard average approximately 1% and 27% higher at 50 and 65% R.H. These latter differences are believed to be significant.

As in the case of the results at the two weight levels described above, adjusting for weight at the 35.7, 38.0-lb. grade weight level has the effect of increasing the difference noted on a box basis. The drop results on a per unit basis for the boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard range from an average of 1.2% lower to 3.0% higher at 50 and 65% R.H., respectively, than the corresponding results for the boxes made with U.S. linerboard. The difference of 11.2% is probably on the borderline of significance whereas the 3.0% difference is too

*See page 16.

TABLE IX
COMPARISON OF ROUGH HANDLING PERFORMANCE PER UNIT WEIGHT COMBINED BOARD
(50% Relative Humidity)

Run	Flute	Type	Medium	Corner Drop, Drops/100-lb. Combined Board Weight			Drum, Falls/100-lb. Combined Board Weight		
				U.S. Liner	E.G. Liner	Diff., ^a %	S.C. Liner	Diff., ^a %	S.C. Liner
25.6, 26.0-lb. Linerboard									
3, 2, 6	A	26-lb.	U.S.	8.9	9.5	+ 6.7	6.7	-24.7	82
3, 2, 6	B	26-lb.	U.S.	6.6	6.5	- 1.5	5.3	-19.7	60
4, 1, 5	A	23-lb.	European	6.8	7.3	+ 7.4	5.4	-20.6	69
4, 1, 5	B	23-lb.	European	5.3	5.7	+ 7.5	4.3	-18.9	49
Average				7.0	7.3	+ 4.3	5.5	-21.4	66
30.7, 33.0-lb. Linerboard									
10, 7, 11	A	26-lb.	U.S.	8.9	8.7	- 2.2	9.8	+10.1	96
10, 7, 11	B	26-lb.	U.S.	5.9	6.5	+10.2	7.9	+33.9	57
9, 8, 12	A	23-lb.	European	8.0	7.5	- 6.3	10.2	+27.5	101
9, 8, 12	B	23-lb.	European	5.3	6.6	+24.5	6.9	+30.2	40
Average				7.0	7.4	+ 5.7	8.7	+24.3	74
35.8, 38.0-lb. Linerboard									
15, 14, 18	A	26-lb.	U.S.	9.9	9.1	- 8.1	11.7	+18.2	125
15, 14, 18	B	26-lb.	U.S.	8.5	7.4	-12.9	9.8	+12.1	74
16, 13, 17	A	23-lb.	European	9.8	7.8	-20.4	9.7	- 1.0	102
16, 13, 17	B	23-lb.	European	7.3	7.1	- 2.7	8.1	+11.0	65
Average				8.9	7.9	-11.2	9.9	+11.2	92
41.0, 42.0-lb. Linerboard									
23, 19, 22	A	26-lb.	U.S.	10.2	10.3	+ 1.0	10.2	0.0	111
23, 19, 22	B	26-lb.	U.S.	7.9	7.9	0.0	9.1	+15.2	75
24, 20, 21	A	23-lb.	European	8.3	9.3	+12.0	8.4	+ 1.2	87
24, 20, 21	B	23-lb.	European	6.7	7.7	+15.9	7.7	+14.9	64
Average				8.3	8.9	+ 7.2	8.8	+ 6.0	84

^a See Note Table III.

TABLE X
COMPARISON OF ROUGH HANDLING PERFORMANCE PER UNIT WEIGHT COMBINED BOARD
(65% Relative Humidity)

Run	Flute	Type	Medium	Corner Drop, 100-lb Combined Board Weight				Drum, Falls/100-lb. Combined Board Weight			
				U.S.	E.G.	Diff., %	S.C.	U.S.	E.G.	Diff., %	S.C.
				Liner	Liner	Liner	Liner	Liner	Liner	Liner	Liner
25, 6, 6											
3, 2, 6	A	26-lb. U.S.		11.0	11.2	+ 1.8	11.0	0.0	89	81	- 8.2
3, 2, 6	B	26-lb. U.S.		8.8	9.6	+ 9.1	7.4	-15.9	53	57	+ 7.5
4, 1, 5	A	23-lb. European		8.2	9.0	+ 9.8	7.8	- 4.9	63	57	- 9.5
4, 1, 5	B	23-lb. European		7.3	8.0	+ 9.6	7.6	+ 4.1	54	59	- 9.3
Average				8.8	9.5	+ 8.0	8.5	- 3.4	65	64	- 1.5
25, 6, 26.0-lb. Linerboard											
10, 7, 11	A	26-lb. U.S.		11.2	10.8	- 3.6	13.1	+17.0	85	84	- 1.2
10, 7, 11	B	26-lb. U.S.		8.1	10.0	+23.5	11.3	+39.5	71	61	-14.1
9, 8, 12	A	23-lb. European		9.3	9.4	+ 1.1	13.6	+46.2	95	73	-23.2
9, 8, 12	B	23-lb. European		8.1	9.0	+11.1	8.7	+ 7.4	50	51	+ 2.0
Average				9.2	9.8	+ 6.5	11.7	+27.2	75	67	-10.7
30.7, 33.0-lb. Linerboard											
15, 14, 18	A	26-lb. U.S.		10.8	11.6	+ 7.4	16.8	+55.6	119	85	-28.6
15, 14, 18	B	26-lb. U.S.		10.1	8.5	-15.8	12.2	+20.8	78	65	-16.7
16, 13, 17	A	23-lb. European		9.6	11.0	+14.6	11.6	+20.8	97	90	- 7.2
16, 13, 17	B	23-lb. European		9.4	10.1	+ 7.4	11.4	+21.3	82	71	-13.4
Average				10.0	10.3	+ 5.0	13.0	+30.0	94	78	-17.0
35.8, 38.0-lb. Linerboard											
23, 19, 22	A	26-lb. U.S.		12.0	14.0	+16.7	14.4	+20.0	139	118	-15.1
23, 19, 22	B	26-lb. U.S.		9.3	11.0	+18.3	10.7	+15.1	81	87	+ 7.4
24, 20, 21	A	23-lb. European		10.1	10.6	+ 5.0	14.2	+40.6	120	76	-36.7
24, 20, 21	B	23-lb. European		9.6	9.8	+ 2.1	12.0	+25.0	80	76	- 5.0
Average				10.3	11.4	+10.7	12.8	+24.3	105	89	-15.2
41.0, 42.0-lb. Linerboard											
23, 19, 22	A	26-lb. U.S.									
23, 19, 22	B	26-lb. U.S.									
24, 20, 21	A	23-lb. European									
24, 20, 21	B	23-lb. European									
Average											

^a See Note Table III.

small to be significant. In the case of the boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard, the drop results are 11.2 and 20.0% higher than the corresponding results for the boxes made with U.S. linerboard. These latter differences range from borderline significance to positive significance.

At the 41.0, 42.0-lb grade weight level there appear to be no significant differences in the composite average drop test for the boxes made with European and domestic linerboards except for the boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard and evaluated at 65% R.H., the latter results indicating that the boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard are better in terms of rough handling than the corresponding boxes made with U.S. linerboard. It is difficult to understand why the results at 65% R.H. are significantly different whereas the results at 50% R.H. are not.

The results of the drum tests on the boxes made in connection with this study at 50 and 65% R.H. are tabulated in Tables VII and VIII, respectively, and graphically illustrated in Fig. 2b. It may be seen from the results tabulated in Tables VII and VIII and illustrated in Fig. 2b^{*} that at the 25.6, 26.0-lb grade weight level, the boxes made with U.S. linerboard exhibited higher average drum performance than the boxes made with European linerboards. However, the differences noted were not statistically significant except for the boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard and evaluated at 65% R.H. and then only at the 5% level. At the 30.7, 33.0-lb. grade weight level the drum results obtained on boxes made with U.S. linerboard are higher on the average at both 50 (19.8%) and 65 (11.5%) R.H. than the boxes made with Enso Gutzeit linerboard. The differences were not statistically significant. In contrast, the results obtained on boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard are slightly higher on the average at both 50% (1.0%) and 65% (8.2%) R.H. than boxes made with U.S. linerboard. These differences

are not significant, thus it appears that the boxes made with U.S. linerboard give drum performance approximately equivalent to the boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard.

When the drum results obtained on boxes made with 35.7-lb. European linerboards are compared with the corresponding results obtained on boxes made with 38.0-lb. U.S. linerboard, it may be seen that the boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard exhibit significantly lower drum performance than the boxes made with U.S. linerboard. The average differences were 18.3 and 20.2%, respectively, for 50 and 65% R.H. In contrast, the boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard averaged 1.8 and 2.6% higher, respectively, at 50 and 65% R.H. than the boxes made with U.S. linerboard. These differences, however, are not statistically significant. Therefore, at the 35.7, 38.0-lb. grade weight level the boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboards are significantly lower in drum performance than boxes made with U.S. linerboard. Boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard give approximately the same drum performance as boxes made with U.S. linerboard.

At the 41.0, 42.0-lb. grade weight level, the drum results on boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard average 3.7 and 16.3% lower, respectively, at 50 and 65% R.H. than the boxes made with U.S. linerboard. The 16.3% difference is statistically significant whereas the difference of 3.7% does not represent a significant difference. The drum results obtained on the boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard averaged 2.8% higher at 50% R.H. and 9.6% lower at 65% R.H. than the corresponding results for boxes made with U.S. linerboard. Neither of these differences is great enough to represent a significant difference in drum performance.

Because of the difference in the nominal grade weight of competitive grades of European and domestic linerboard, the drum results tabulated in Tables VII and VIII have been converted to a unit weight basis in order to compare performance at the same weight. The drum results calculated on a unit weight basis are tabulated in Tables IX and X, respectively, for 50 and 65% R.H. and are illustrated in Fig. 5b*.

At the 25.6, 26.0-lb. grade weight level the results obtained on boxes fabricated with U.S. linerboard are slightly higher than for boxes made with European linerboards. The differences, however, are not considered significant

When the results obtained at the 30 7, 33 0-lb. grade weight level are considered it may be seen that the boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard average 15-16% higher at 50 and 65% R.H. than for the boxes made with U.S. linerboard. The drum results of the boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard are 11.9 and 10.7% lower, respectively, at 50 and 65% R.H.

At the 35 8, 38 0-lb. grade weight level the boxes made with U.S. linerboard average 15.2 and 17.0% higher than the results for the boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard, however, these differences are probably bordering in terms of significant differences in drum performance on a unit weight basis. The results for boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard average 7.4% higher than the corresponding results for U.S. linerboard boxes, these differences are not significant

The results obtained at the 41.0, 42.0-lb. grade weight level show the results on boxes made with U.S. linerboard average 0 to 15% higher than the results for boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard. These differences are not significant. The corresponding results for boxes made with Svenska

Cellulosa linerboard show no significant differences relative to boxes made with U.S. linerboard.

To provide a convenient synopsis of the preceding discussion, the data presented in Tables III through X relative to the comparative performance of boxes fabricated with European and domestic linerboards are summarized in Table XI in terms of the composite average differences at each grade weight level on the basis of (a) actual box performance, and (b) on a unit weight basis.

C. Comparative Performance of Boxes Fabricated with European Linerboards

The results presented earlier for boxes made with Enso Gutseit and Svenska Cellulosa linerboards have been retabulated in Tables XIII-XV in order to make a direct comparison of their performance.

1. Compression Performance

The box compression results are tabulated in Table XII and illustrated in Fig. 4a. Based on the composite averages at each linerboard weight level, it may be seen that boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard give equal or slightly higher top-load compression at the 25.6-lb. linerboard grade weight level, but lower end-load compression than boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard. The same general trend also applies to the performance at the 30.7-lb. linerboard grade weight level. At the 35.8-lb. and 41.0-lb. linerboard grade weight levels, boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard appear to be slightly superior in terms of both top- and end-load performance than boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard.

In order to compare compression performance on a unit combined board weight basis, the results tabulated in Table XII have been converted to a unit weight basis by dividing box compression by the corresponding combined board

TABLE XI
SUMMARY OF BOX PERFORMANCE - COMPOSITE AVERAGE DIFFERENCES

Relative E.C. %	TGB Compression, Difference, % S.C.	Drop Performance, Difference, % S.C.	Drum Performance, Difference, % S.C.	Composite Average Difference on Unit Combined Board Weight			
				Top Compression, Difference, % S.C.		Drop Compression, Difference, % S.C.	
				E.G.	S.C.	E.G.	S.C.
50	+ 5 3 (0.1) - 5 1 (0.1) - 1 (NS)	- 2 7 (NS) + 3 0 (NS) + 3 0 (NS)	- 23 9 (0.1) - 9 5 (NS)	- 12 7 (NS)	- 3 2	- 1.7	- 1.9
65	- 2 1 (NS) - 7 5 (0.1) - 4 2 (NS)	+ 0 4 (NS) + 3 4 (NS)	- 9 1 (NS)	- 3 1 (NS) - 15 6 (0.5)	+ 0.8	- 3.6	- 1.1
				25 6, 26 0-1b Linerboard			
50	+ 1 6 (0.1) - 0 0 (NS) - 6 3 (0.1)	- 2 8 (NS) - 0 8 (NS) + 0 0 (NS) + 1 6 9 (0.1)	- 19 8 (0.1) + 8 6 (NS)	+ 7.5	+ 6.8	+ 0.3	+ 1.1
65	- 1 0 (NS) - 0 6 (NS)	+ 1 0 (NS)	+ 1 0 (NS)	+ 18 3 (0.1) - 15 3 (0.1)	+ 4.5	+ 6.9	- 1.3
				30 7, 35 0-1b Linerboard			
50	+ 7 4 (0.1) + 2 0 (NS) + 2 2 (NS) - 7 1 (0.1)	- 8 9 (0.1) - 14 3 (0.1) + 6 7 (NS)	- 18 3 (0.1) + 1 8 (NS)	+ 11.1	+ 5.8	- 5.0	+ 11.2
65	- 7 2 (0.1) + 4 1 (0.1) + 5 9 (0.1)	- 7 1 (0.1) + 0 0 (NS)	+ 24 0 (0.1) - 20 2 (0.1)	+ 12.9	+ 9.5	+ 9.5	- 2.1
				35 8, 38 0-1b Linerboard			
50	+ 3 7 (0.1) + 2 7 (0.1) + 3 8 (NS) + 1 9 (NS) + 1 9 (NS)	- 7 1 (0.1) + 3 8 (NS) + 9 (NS) + 19 8 (0.1)	- 3 7 (NS) + 2 8 (NS) + 9 (NS) + 16 5 (0.5)	+ 11.3	+ 9.6	+ 9.0	+ 7.2
65	- 2 2 (0.1) + 1 6 (NS) + 1 2 (NS) + 9 (NS)	+ 1 2 (NS) + 9 (NS) + 9 (NS) - 16 5 (0.5) - 9 6 (NS)	+ 11.1	+ 6.3	+ 6.1	+ 6.1	+ 10.7
				44 0, 42 0-1b Linerboard			

Note: Values obtained on boxes made with U.S. linerboard used as reference, minus and plus prefix means lower and higher than reference, respectively.
"a.e." parentheses indicate level of significance, NS means observed difference not significant

TABLE XII
COMPARISON OF BOX COMPRESSION PERFORMANCE OF BOXES MADE WITH EUROPEAN LINERBOARDS

Run	Flute	Type	Medium	Top-Load Compression (0-0 75 in), lb.						End-Load Compression (0-0 75 in), lb.					
				50% R H			65% R H			50% R H			65% R H		
				E G	S C	Liner	E G	S C	Liner	E G	S C	Liner	E G	S C	Liner
2, 6	A	26-1b	U S	510	520	+ 2.0	465	470	+ 1.1	245	255	+ 4.1	210	235	+ 11.9
2, 6	B	26-1b.	U S	445	440	- 1.1	425	405	- 4.7	340	345	+ 1.5	305	305	0.0
1, 5	A	25-1b	European	520	530	+ 1.9	515	455	- 11.7	230	255	+ 10.9	220	220	0.0
1, 5	B	25-1b	European	435	425	0.0	420	395	- 6.0	320	320	0.0	280	305	+ 8.9
Composite				478	481	+ 0.6	456	431	- 5.5	284	294	+ 3.5	254	266	+ 4.7
7, 11	A	26-1b	U S	615	610	- 0.8	540	545	+ 0.9	350	340	- 2.9	305	305	0.0
7, 11	B	26-1b	U S	545	525	- 3.7	510	495	- 2.9	410	440	+ 7.5	355	415	+ 16.9
8, 12	A	25-1b	European	595	625	+ 5.0	545	575	+ 5.5	335	355	+ 6.0	305	335	+ 9.8
8, 12	B	25-1b.	European	555	515	- 7.2	480	470	- 2.1	415	425	0.0	385	380	- 1.5
Composite				578	569	- 1.6	519	521	+ 0.4	378	388	+ 2.6	338	359	+ 6.2
7, 11	A	26-1b	U S	615	610	- 0.8	540	545	+ 0.9	350	340	- 2.9	305	305	0.0
7, 11	B	26-1b	U S	545	525	- 3.7	510	495	- 2.9	410	440	+ 7.5	355	415	+ 16.9
14, 18	A	26-1b	U S	690	640	- 7.2	605	625	+ 3.3	405	385	+ 4.9	370	340	- 8.1
14, 18	B	26-1b	U S	600	590	- 1.7	570	570	0.0	520	435	- 21.0	485	455	- 6.2
15, 17	A	25-1b	European	675	630	- 6.7	610	615	+ 0.8	415	390	- 6.0	400	350	- 12.5
15, 17	B	25-1b.	European	635	585	- 7.9	620	525	- 0.8	495	425	- 6.1	475	370	- 22.1
Composite				650	611	- 6.0	601	584	- 2.8	459	409	- 10.8	432	379	- 12.3
14, 18	A	26-1b	U S	775	715	- 7.7	750	685	- 8.7	470	495	+ 5.3	440	430	- 2.3
14, 18	B	26-1b	U S	640	610	0.0	620	580	- 6.5	610	535	- 12.3	555	555	0.0
15, 17	A	25-1b.	European	815	740	- 9.2	735	625	- 15.0	485	490	+ 1.0	470	430	- 8.5
15, 17	B	25-1b.	European	630	650	+ 3.2	600	580	- 3.3	600	575	- 4.2	540	530	- 1.9
Composite				715	686	- 4.1	676	618	- 8.6	541	524	- 3.1	501	486	- 3.0

^a E G liner used as reference

COMPARISON OF S.C. COMPRESSION PERFORMANCE ON A UNIT WEIGHT BASIS

Run	Flute	Type	Medium	Top-Load Compression,				End-Load Compression,							
				lb./100-lb. Combined Board Weight				lb./100-lb. Combined Board Weight							
				50% R.H.	S.C.	E.G.	65% R.H.	50% R.H.	S.C.	E.G.	65% R.H.				
Liner				Liner	Liner	Liner	Liner	Liner	Liner	Liner	Liner				
2, 6	A	26-lb. U.S.	515	536	+ 4.1	460	475	+ 3.3	247	263	+ 6.5	208	237	+13.9	
2, 6	B	26-lb. U.S.	473	469	- 0.8	443	422	- 4.7	362	367	+ 1.4	318	318	0.0	
2, 5	A	23-lb. European	553	570	+ 3.1	536	479	- 8.0	245	274	+11.8	229	232	+ 1.3	
2, 5	B	23-lb. European	489	489	0.0	462	439	- 5.0	360	359	- 0.3	308	339	+10.1	
Composite				509	517	+ 1.6	475	454	- 4.4	302	316	+ 4.6	265	280	+ 5.7
25.6-lb. Linerboard															
2, 11	A	26-lb. U.S.	569	570	+ 0.2	486	495	+ 1.9	324	318	- 1.9	275	277	+ 0.7	
2, 11	B	26-lb. U.S.	519	505	- 2.7	481	467	- 2.9	390	423	+ 8.5	335	392	+17.0	
2, 12	A	23-lb. European	572	607	+ 6.1	509	553	+ 8.6	322	345	+ 7.1	285	322	+13.0	
2, 12	B	23-lb. European	555	526	- 5.2	471	465	- 1.3	415	423	+ 1.9	377	376	- 0.3	
Composite				556	552	- 0.7	485	496	+ 2.3	363	377	+ 3.9	345	342	+ 8.2
30.7-lb. Linerboard															
2, 14	A	26-lb. U.S.	580	542	- 6.6	492	521	+ 5.9	340	326	- 4.1	301	283	- 6.0	
2, 14	B	26-lb. U.S.	526	518	- 1.5	491	496	+ 1.0	456	382	-16.2	418	396	- 5.3	
2, 17	A	23-lb. European	592	558	- 5.7	521	530	+ 1.7	364	345	- 5.2	342	302	-17.5	
2, 17	B	23-lb. European	583	547	- 6.2	554	482	- 5.1	454	397	-9.5	424	339	- 3.5	
Composite				570	541	- 5.1	514	508	- 1.2	403	362	-10.2	369	330	-10.6
35.8-lb. Linerboard															
2, 18	A	26-lb. U.S.	580	542	- 6.6	492	521	+ 5.9	340	326	- 4.1	301	283	- 6.0	
2, 18	B	26-lb. U.S.	526	518	- 1.5	491	496	+ 1.0	456	382	-16.2	418	396	- 5.3	
2, 17	A	23-lb. European	592	558	- 5.7	521	530	+ 1.7	364	345	- 5.2	342	302	-17.5	
2, 17	B	23-lb. European	583	547	- 6.2	554	482	- 5.1	454	397	-9.5	424	339	- 3.5	
Composite				570	541	- 5.1	514	508	- 1.2	403	362	-10.2	369	330	-10.6
41.0-lb. Linerboard															
15, 22	A	26-lb. U.S.	605	577	- 4.6	573	531	- 7.3	367	399	+ 8.7	336	333	- 0.9	
15, 22	B	26-lb. U.S.	525	542	+ 3.2	492	472	- 4.1	500	453	- 9.4	440	451	+ 2.5	
20, 21	A	23-lb. European	663	617	- 6.9	579	512	-11.6	394	408	+ 3.6	370	322	- 4.9	
20, 21	B	23-lb. European	529	560	+ 5.9	496	504	+ 1.6	496	440	- 1.6	461	461	+ 3.4	
Composite				581	572	- 1.5	537	505	- 6.0	437	437	- 0.7	398	398	- 0.7

^a E.G. liner used as reference.

TABLE XIV
COMPARISON OF ROUGH HANDLING PERFORMANCE OF BOXES MADE WITH EUROPEAN LINERBOARD

Run	Flute	Type	Medium	Drop Performance, drop						Drum Performance, fall					
				50% R.H.			65% R.H.			50% R.H.			65% R.H.		
				E.G.	S.C.	Diff., a	E.G.	S.C.	Diff., a	E.G.	S.C.	Diff., a	E.G.	S.C.	Diff., a
				Liner	Liner	%	Liner	Liner	%	Liner	Liner	%	Liner	Liner	%
2, 6	A	26-lb. U.S.	9.4	6.5	-30.9	11.3	10.9	-3.5	77	75	-2.6	82	81	-1.2	
2, 6	B	26-lb. U.S.	6.1	5.0	-18.0	9.2	7.1	-22.8	56	51	-8.9	55	50	-9.6	
1, 5	A	23-lb. European	6.9	5.0	-27.5	8.6	7.4	-14.0	45	67	+48.9	55	53	-3.6	
1, 5	B	23-lb. European	5.1	3.8	-25.5	7.3	6.8	-6.8	48	25	-47.9	54	33	-38.9	
Composite			6.9	5.1	-26.1	9.1	8.0	-10.0	57	55	-3.5	62	54	-12.9	
7, 11	A	26-lb. U.S.	9.4	10.5	+11.7	12.0	14.4	+20.0	29	118	+19.2	93	102	+9.7	
7, 11	B	26-lb. U.S.	6.8	8.2	+20.6	10.6	12.0	+13.2	62	87	+40.3	65	86	+32.5	
8, 12	A	23-lb. European	7.8	10.5	+34.6	10.1	14.1	+39.6	56	87	+37.5	78	102	+30.8	
8, 12	B	23-lb. European	6.6	6.8	+3.0	9.2	8.8	-4.3	43	60	+39.5	52	76	+46.2	
Composite			7.7	9.0	+16.9	10.5	12.3	+17.1	65	88	+35.4	72	92	+27.8	
14, 18	A	26-lb. U.S.	10.8	13.8	+27.8	14.3	20.1	+40.6	122	146	+19.7	105	162	+54.3	
14, 18	B	26-lb. U.S.	8.5	11.2	+51.8	9.9	14.0	+41.4	76	116	+52.6	75	87	+16.1	
15, 17	A	23-lb. European	8.9	11.0	+23.6	12.9	13.4	+3.9	91	106	+16.5	105	126	+20.0	
15, 17	B	23-lb. European	7.7	8.7	+13.0	11.3	12.4	+9.7	68	74	+8.8	80	92	+15.0	
Composite			9.0	11.2	+24.5	12.1	15.0	+24.0	89	111	+24.7	91	117	+28.6	
19, 22	A	26-lb. U.S.	13.2	12.7	-3.8	18.4	18.6	+1.1	151	141	-6.6	154	179	+16.2	
19, 22	B	26-lb. U.S.	9.6	10.7	+11.5	13.9	13.1	-5.8	96	82	-14.6	110	101	-8.2	
20, 21	A	23-lb. European	11.5	10.1	-12.2	13.5	17.1	+28.1	107	116	+8.4	97	113	+16.5	
20, 21	B	23-lb. European	9.2	8.9	-2.3	11.9	13.8	-16.0	54	95	+72.2	92	95	+1.1	
Composite			10.9	10.6	-2.8	14.4	15.7	+9.0	102	109	+6.9	113	122	+8.0	

a E.G. liner used as reference.

TABLE IV
CORNER DROP & DURABILITY PERFORMANCE ON A UNIT WEIGHT BASIS

Run	Flute	Type	Medium	Corner Drop, Combined Board Weight,				Dur. Performance, falls/100-lb Combined Board Weight			
				E G Liner	S C Liner	65% R H Diff., %	E G Liner	S C Liner	65% R H Diff., %	E G Liner	S C Liner
25-6-lb Linerboard											
2, 6	A	26-1b.	U S	9.5	6.7	-29.5	11.2	11.0	-1.8	7.8	7.7
2, 6	B	26-1b.	U S	6.5	5.3	-18.5	9.6	7.4	-22.9	6.0	5.4
4, 5	A	23-1b	European	7.3	5.4	-26.0	9.0	7.8	-13.3	4.8	7.2
4, 5	B	23-1b	European	5.7	4.3	-24.6	8.0	7.6	-5.0	5.4	4.0
30 7-lb Linerboard											
7, 11	A	26-1b.	U S	8.7	9.8	+12.6	10.8	13.1	+21.3	9.2	11.0
7, 11	B	26-1b.	U S	6.5	7.9	+21.5	10.0	11.3	+13.0	5.9	8.4
3, 12	A	23-1b	European	7.5	10.2	+36.0	9.4	13.6	+44.7	5.4	8.4
3, 12	B	23-1b.	European	6.6	6.9	+4.5	9.0	8.7	-3.3	4.3	6.1
35 8-lb Linerboard											
7, 18	A	26-1b	U S	9.1	11.7	+17.6	11.6	16.8	+44.8	10.3	12.4
7, 18	B	26-1b	U S.	7.4	9.8	+32.4	8.5	12.2	+43.5	6.7	10.2
7, 17	A	23-1b	European	7.8	9.7	+24.4	11.0	11.6	+5.5	8.0	9.4
7, 17	B	23-1b	European	7.1	8.1	+14.1	10.1	11.4	+12.9	6.2	6.9
41 0-lb Linerboard											
13, 22	A	26-1b	U S	10.3	10.2	-1.0	14.0	14.4	+28.6	11.8	11.4
13, 22	B	26-1b	U S	7.9	9.1	+15.2	11.0	10.7	-2.7	7.9	12.7
20, 21	A	23-1b	European	9.3	8.4	-9.7	10.6	14.2	+34.0	9.0	9.7
20, 21	B	23-1b	European	7.7	7.7	0.0	9.8	12.0	+22.4	4.5	8.2
Composite											
13, 22	A	26-1b	U S	8.9	8.8	-1.1	11.4	12.8	+12.3	8.4	9.1
13, 22	B	26-1b	U S	7.9	9.3	0.0	11.0	10.7	-2.7	7.9	12.7
20, 21	A	23-1b	European	7.7	7.7	-0.0	9.8	12.0	+22.4	4.5	8.2
20, 21	B	23-1b	European	8.9	8.8	-1.1	11.4	12.8	+12.3	8.4	9.1

e E.G. liner used as reference

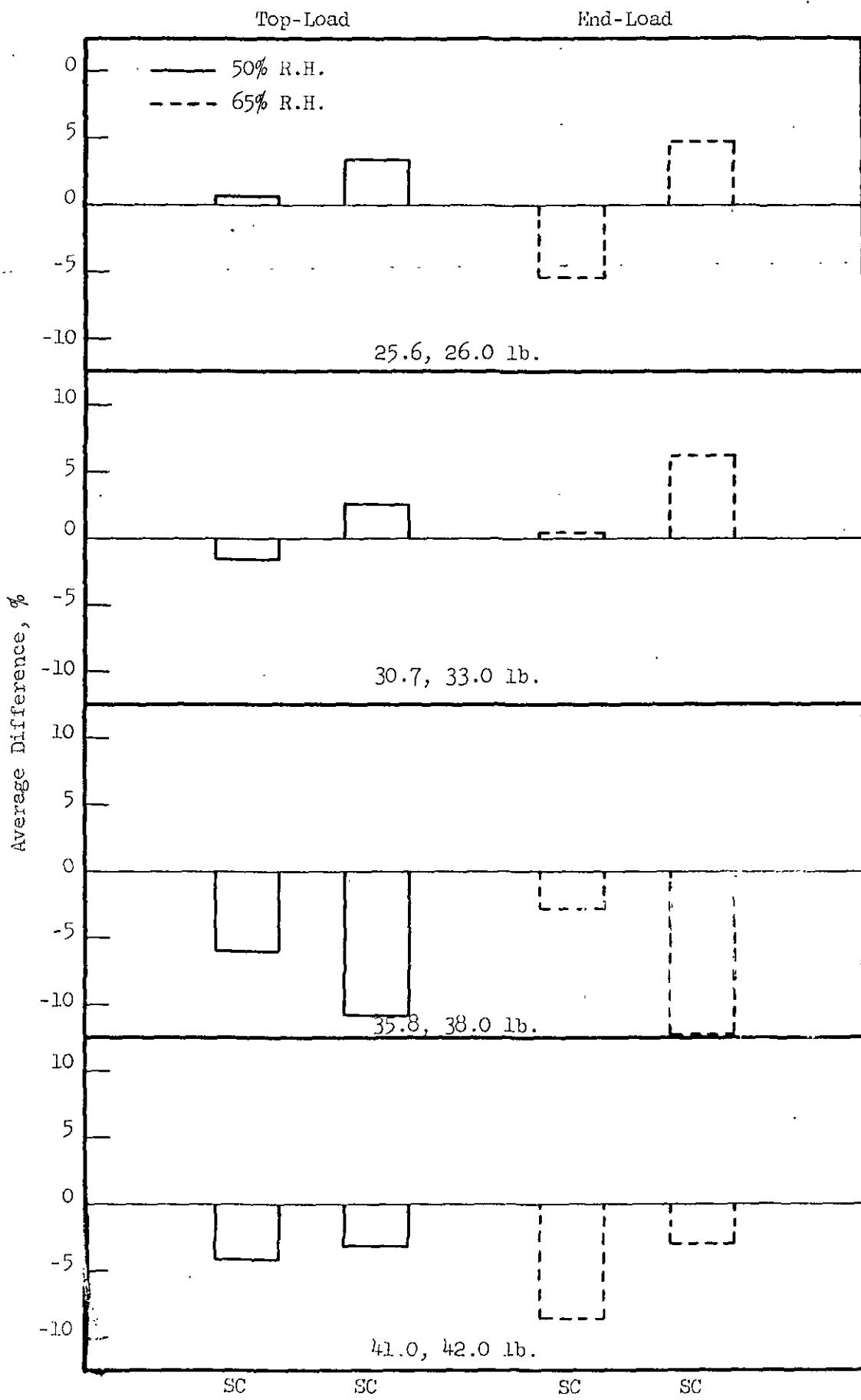


Figure 4a. Comparison of Average Difference in Compression Performance of Boxes Made with European Linerboard (M.C.).

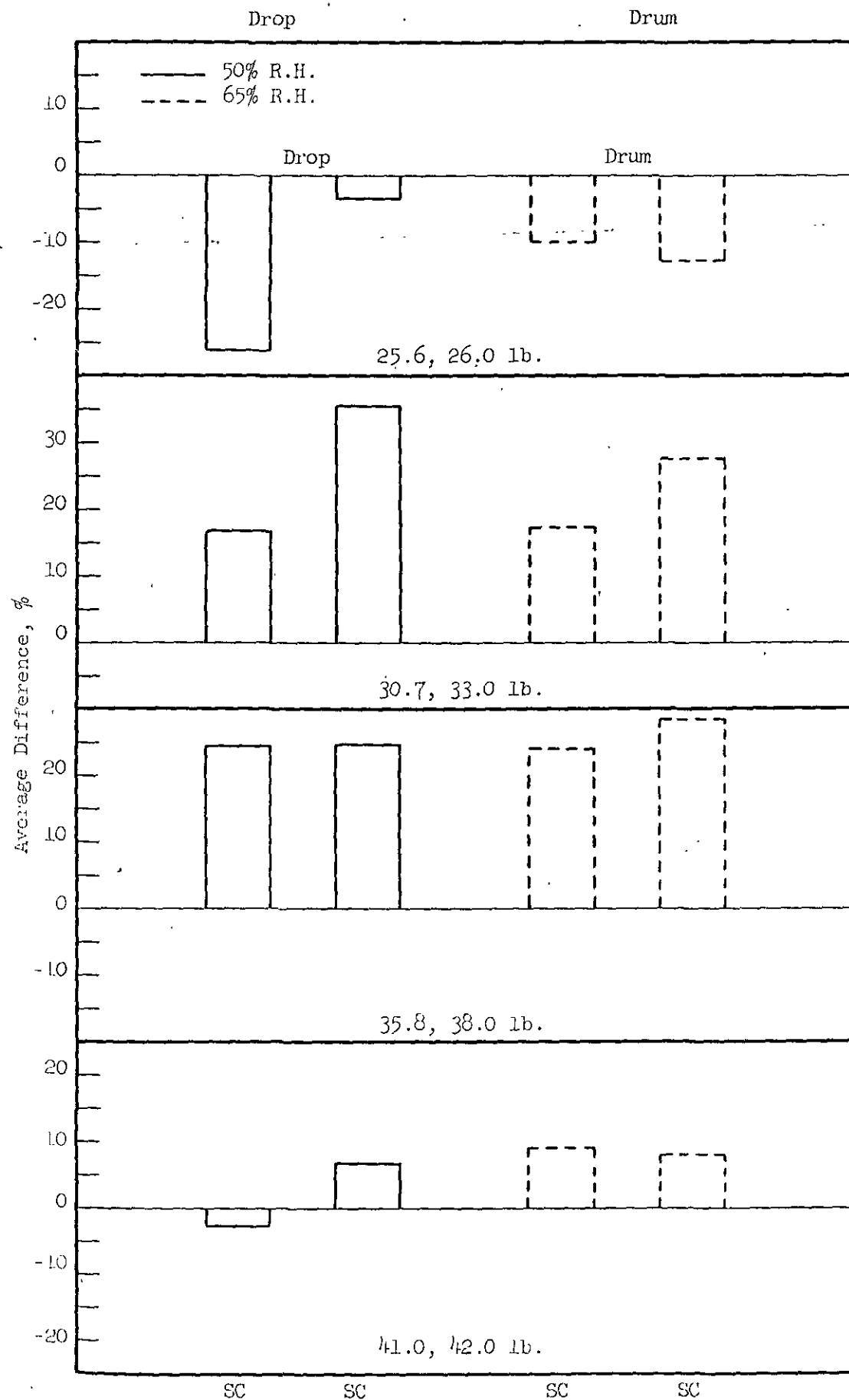


Figure 4b. Comparison of Average Difference in Bond Strength

weight and multiplying by 100 to give compression per 100 pounds of combined board weight. The compression results on a unit combined board weight basis are tabulated in Table XIII. Converting the performance results to a unit combined board weight basis improves the relative compression performance of boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard because, generally, this source manufactures at lower weight levels than Enso Gutseit.

2. Rough Handling Performance

The comparative performance of boxes made with European linerboards in terms of drop and drum results may be seen from the data tabulated in Table XIV and illustrated in Fig. 4b. At the 25.6-lb. grade weight level, the boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard exhibit slightly higher drop and drum performance. It is questionable if these differences are significant except for drop performance at 50% R.H. The same general trend is observed when the results are compared on a unit combined board weight basis (see Table XV).

When the rough handling results obtained on boxes made with 30.7-lb. linerboard are considered, it may be seen that the boxes made with Enso Gutseit linerboard exhibited significantly lower drop and drum performance on both a box basis and a unit weight basis. The same trend may be observed for the corresponding results at the 35.8-lb. linerboard grade weight level. At the 41.0-lb. linerboard grade weight level there appears to be no significant difference.

D. Effect of Relative Humidity

As previously mentioned, the evaluations were carried out at both 50 and 65% R.H. because different levels of humidity and temperature are used in the U.S. and Europe as standard conditions. Standard conditions in the U.S. correspond to 50% R.H. at 73°F. whereas in Europe 65% R.H. at 68°F. is standard.

The higher relative humidity and lower temperature of the European standard conditions result in the board being tested at a higher moisture content relative to that associated with the U.S. standard.

Box compression, as the name implies, involves the stiffness characteristics of the combined board (particularly ultimate stiffness) and it is well known that the higher the moisture content of paper or board the lower the ultimate stiffness; consequently, box compression decreases with increase in moisture content. Thus, the lower compression results obtained at 65% R.H. are in keeping with usual experience. The results obtained in this study indicate that the effect of increasing the relative humidity from 50 to 65% R.H. had about the same effect on boxes made with U.S. and European linerboard.

Rough handling as defined herein, has been found to involve a combination of physical properties - fatigue and energy absorption. It is well known that the energy absorption capacity of paper and board increases with moisture content. The observed tendency for rough handling performance to increase with increase in R.H. is, therefore, in accord with expected behavior. Further, the results obtained in this study indicate that the change in R.H. in general had about the same effect on boxes made with U.S. and European linerboard.

S. Comparison of the Physical Properties of Combined Boards Manufactured with U.S. and European Linerboards

The effect of type of linerboard on combined board test properties

may be seen from the results tabulated in Tables XVI and XVII, respectively, for 50 and 65% R.H. It may be noted from the basis weight results tabulated in Tables XVI and XVII and illustrated in Fig. 5 that the combined boards made with U.S. linerboards range from about 2 to 7% higher than the corresponding samples made with European linerboards. For purpose of comparison, the composite average

TABLE XVI
COMBINED BOARD PROPERTIES
(50% Relative Humidity)

Run	Plyno.	Plyno.	Type	Material	Basic Weight, lb./sq. ft.				Caliper, pt.				Bursting Strength, p.s.i.				Penetrate, unit					
					U.S.	E.G.	S.C.	Diffr.	U.S.	E.G.	S.C.	Diffr.	U.S.	E.G.	S.C.	Diffr.	S.C.	Diffr.				
			Liner	Liner	Liner	Liner	Liner	Liner	Liner	Liner	Liner	Liner	Liner	Liner	Liner	Liner	Liner	Liner				
7, 2, 6	A	26-1b. U.S.	122	29	2.9	37	- 6.9	.91	188	- 1.6	189	- 1.0	148	204	+27.8	232	+103.5	185	180	- 2.7	166	
5, 2, 5	B	26-1b. U.S.	121	29	3.3	35	- 6.5	113	111	- 1.5	111	- 1.6	150	168	+23.2	172	+32.3	162	160	- 2.2	162	
7, 2, 5	A	23-1b. European	97	31	3.1	95	- 6.1	93	189	- 2.6	196	- 1.6	159	204	+36.9	171	+58.1	171	171	- 1.9	195	
7, 2, 5	B	23-1b. European	91	39	2.2	69	- 3.2	112	109	- 2.7	109	- 2.7	155	182	+34.9	156	+37.8	154	156	- 6.5	195	
Average				96	31	2.1	94	- 3.1	152	149	- 2.0	150	- 1.3	150	190	+25.7	207	+56.8	168	161	- 1.5	166
															(.31)b	(.01)	(.31)b	(.01)	(.31)	(.01)	(.01)	
10, 7, 11	A	26-1b. U.S.	111	108	5.3	107	- 6.1	193	188	- 2.6	190	- 1.6	218	241	+10.6	232	+ 6.4	200	190	- 5.0	192	
9, 6, 12	B	26-1b. U.S.	111	105	5.4	105	- 6.5	115	112	- 2.6	114	- 0.9	164	238	+29.3	214	+16.3	192	180	- 5.2	175	
9, 6, 12	A	23-1b. European	109	104	4.6	104	- 5.6	192	190	- 1.0	190	- 1.0	224	264	+17.9	210	+7.1	188	179	- 6.2	181	
9, 6, 12	B	23-1b. European	106	100	5.1	98	- 5.7	112	109	- 2.7	111	- 0.9	206	262	+27.2	232	+12.6	173	167	- 3.9	181	
Average				110	104	5.6	104	- 5.6	153	150	- 2.0	151	- 1.3	208	251	+20.7	230	+13.5	188	178	- 6.4	182
															(.01)	(.01)	(.01)	(.01)	(.01)	(.01)		
15, 17, 18	A	26-1b. U.S.	123	119	2.3	118	- 1.1	200	196	- 2.0	197	- 1.5	218	228	+36.7	279	+28.0	239	206	- 5.5	216	
15, 17, 18	B	26-1b. U.S.	119	111	4.2	114	- 4.2	117	114	- 2.6	114	- 2.6	190	260	+37.9	262	+37.9	197	192	- 7.5	193	
15, 17, 18	A	23-1b. European	118	114	3.1	114	- 4.2	195	194	- 0.5	194	- 0.5	222	298	+34.2	250	+26.1	210	194	- 7.6	200	
15, 17, 18	B	23-1b. European	113	109	3.5	107	- 5.3	114	113	- 0.9	113	- 0.9	219	282	+28.8	272	+26.2	184	178	- 3.3	173	
Average				118	113	3.4	113	- 4.2	157	154	- 1.9	155	- 1.3	212	285	+34.1	275	+28.8	202	190	- 5.9	196
															(.01)	(.01)	(.01)	(.01)	(.01)	(.01)		
23, 19, 22	A	26-1b. U.S.	130	128	2.5	124	- 4.6	399	197	- 1.0	200	- 0.5	240	324	+35.0	297	+23.8	232	233	- 0.4	231	
23, 19, 22	B	26-1b. U.S.	126	122	3.2	113	- 6.3	118	117	- 0.8	118	- 0.0	226	258	+14.2	282	+29.2	208	201	- 1.9	200	
23, 19, 22	A	23-1b. European	126	123	2.4	120	- 4.8	294	196	+ 1.0	196	+ 1.0	287	322	+12.2	338	+17.8	220	208	- 5.5	214	
23, 19, 22	B	23-1b. European	120	119	0.8	116	- 3.3	115	113	- 1.7	116	+ 0.9	235	316	+34.5	310	+31.9	195	195	- 0.5	186	
Average				125	121	2.1	120	- 4.8	156	156	0.0	158	+ 1.3	247	305	+23.4	309	+25.1	222	210	- 0.9	209
															(.01)	(.01)	(.01)	(.01)	(.01)	(.01)		

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TABLE XVI (Continued)
COMBINED BOARD PROPERTIES
(50% Relative Humidity)

Run	Flute	Type	Medium	Geometric Mean Flexural Stiffness, lb.-in.				Flat Crush, P.S.I., E.G. Diff., S.C. Diff., Liner %a				Pin Adhesion, lb./4 sq. in., U.S. E.G. Diff., S.C. Diff., Liner %a						
				U.S. Liner	E.G. Liner	S.C. Liner	Diff. %	U.S. Liner	E.G. Liner	S.C. Liner	Diff. %	U.S. Liner	E.G. Liner	S.C. Liner	Diff. %			
25.6, 26.0-lb. Linerboard																		
3, 2, 6	A	26-lb. U. S.	82.6	87.1	+5.4	92.6	+12.1	36.2	35.8	-9.1	36.4	+0.6	42	35	-16.7	32	-23.8	
3, 2, 6	B	26-lb. U. S.	29.1	33.2	+14.1	32.1	+10.3	51.4	51.4	-5.5	54.9	+0.9	76	62	-18.4	72	-5.3	
4, 1, 5	A	23-lb. European	90.8	93.5	+3.0	93.0	+2.4	30.8	30.6	-0.6	30.3	-1.6	38	33	-13.2	28	-26.3	
4, 1, 5	B	23-lb. European	29.8	36.1	+21.1	31.1	+4.4	53.2	45.2	-21.8	47.2	-11.5	76	56	-26.3	64	-15.8	
Average				58.1	62.5	+7.6	62.2	+7.1	43.6	40.3	-7.6	42.2	-3.2	58	47	-19.0	49	-15.5
30.7, 33.0-lb. Linerboard																		
10, 7, 11	A	26-lb. U. S.	125.1	134.1	+7.2	117.5	-6.1	35.4	37.1	+4.8	36.0	+1.7	38	30	-21.1	35	-7.9	
10, 7, 11	B	26-lb. U. S.	39.5	46.0	+16.5	38.2	-3.3	56.1	53.4	+4.8	57.3	+1.7	36	65	-21.1	65	-7.9	
2, 6, 12	A	23-lb. European	131.4	144.2	+14.2	128.1	-2.5	31.6	32.5	+2.8	33.3	+5.4	34	28	-17.6	32	-5.9	
2, 8, 12	B	23-lb. European	40.3	42.6	+2.6	40.4	+0.2	47.2	47.8	+1.3	44.1	-6.6	70	53	-24.3	84	+20.0	
Average				84.1	91.7	+9.0	81.1	-3.6	42.6	42.7	+0.2	42.7	+0.2	57	44	-22.8	54	-5.3
35.8, 38.0-lb. Linerboard																		
15, 15, 18	A	26-lb. U. S.	118.1	168.6	+42.8	132.5	+12.2	36.0	36.7	+1.9	34.7	-3.6	40	36	-10.0	35	-12.5	
15, 15, 18	B	26-lb. U. S.	50.7	53.8	+32.2	45.2	+6.1	51.3	51.0	-0.6	52.4	+2.1	52	48	-7.7	60	+15.4	
16, 15, 17	A	23-lb. European	122.6	169.3	+38.1	147.4	+20.2	32.3	32.4	+0.3	32.3	0.0	37	32	-13.5	34	-8.1	
16, 15, 17	B	23-lb. European	39.6	52.0	+31.3	45.3	+14.4	46.0	47.3	+2.8	44.9	-2.4	62	50	-19.4	52	-16.1	
Average				80.2	110.9	+38.3	92.1	+14.8	41.4	41.9	+1.2	41.1	-0.7	48	42	-12.5	45	-6.3
41, 42-lb. Linerboard																		
23, 19, 22	A	26-lb. U. S.	142.2	181.9	+27.9	164.6	+15.8	35.4	35.4	0.0	37.6	+6.2	44	44	0.0	44	0.0	
23, 19, 22	B	26-lb. U. S.	42.3	57.8	+36.6	48.0	+13.5	52.5	52.2	-0.6	49.9	-5.0	61	59	-3.2	63	+3.3	
24, 20, 21	A	23-lb. European	140.1	203.8	+45.5	166.0	+18.5	34.8	34.7	-0.3	34.0	-2.3	44	42	-4.5	42	0.0	
24, 20, 21	B	23-lb. European	42.6	58.0	+36.2	48.0	+12.7	46.8	42.5	-9.2	46.2	-1.5	62	56	-9.7	60	-3.3	
Average				91.8	125.4	+36.6	106.7	+16.2	42.4	41.2	-0.5	41.9	-1.2	53	50	-5.7	53	0.0

^a Based on U.S. liner results as reference.

^b Value in parenthesis indicates significance level: (.01) means difference is significant at 1% level;
(.05) significant at 5% level; (N.S.) difference not statistically significant at 1 or 5% level.

TABLE XVI (continued)
(U.S. BOARD FROM ENTR'D.
(50% Relative Humidity)

R. _{st}	Rate	Tyre medium	Average Torsion Test, in.-oz.				Scored-in Torsion Test, in.-oz.				M.D. Edgewise Compression, lb./in.				G.D. Edgewise Compression, lb./in.			
			U.S. Liner		E.G. Liner		U.S. Liner		E.G. Liner		U.S. Liner		E.G. Liner		U.S. Liner		E.G. Liner	
			Diff. %	Liner S.C.	Diff. %	Liner S.C.	Diff. %	Liner S.C.	Diff. %	Liner	Diff. %	Liner	Diff. %	Liner	Diff. %	Liner	Diff. %	
25, 26-1b, U.S., 40° S.C. Linerboard																		
3, 2, 5	A	26-1b	U	S	215	196	-8	8	182	-15	3	202	186	-7	9	172	-14	9
3, 2, 5	B	26-1b	U	S	215	196	-4	9	176	-4	9	177	168	-5	1	156	-11	9
3, 2, 5	A	25-1b	European		186	168	-9	7	176	-5	4	162	151	-6	8	154	-4	9
3, 2, 5	B	25-1b	European		153	145	-8	8	150	-5	7	152	135	-11	2	141	-7	2
Average					185	171	-8	1	171	-7	1	160	155	-7	7	136	-21	4
																(.01)	(.01)	
20, 7, -1	A	26-1b	U	S	214	218	-10	7	212	-13	1	204	193	-5	4	199	-2	5
20, 7, 11	B	26-1b	U	S	224	196	-42	5	195	-12	9	203	188	-9	6	203	-2	4
20, 8, 12	A	25-1b	European		196	196	-8	4	196	-8	1	178	172	-4	4	180	+1	0
20, 8, 2	B	25-1b	European		190	178	-6	2	178	-12	1	181	165	-9	9	168	-7	2
Average					228	197	-9	6	193	-11	5	193	179	-7	3	188	-2	6
																(.01)	(.01)	
30, 7, 35, 0-1b, Linerboard																		
15, 17, -5	A	26-1b	U	S	204	218	-19	7	212	-13	1	197	193	-5	4	199	-2	5
15, 17, -5	B	26-1b	U	S	224	196	-42	5	195	-12	9	203	188	-9	6	203	-2	4
15, 17, -5	A	25-1b	European		196	196	-8	4	196	-8	1	178	172	-4	4	180	+1	0
15, 17, -5	B	25-1b	European		190	178	-6	2	178	-12	1	181	165	-9	9	168	-7	2
Average					228	197	-9	6	193	-11	5	193	179	-7	3	188	-2	6
																(.01)	(.01)	
35, 8, 38, 0-1b, Linerboard																		
15, 17, -5	A	26-1b	U	S	266	242	-9	0	227	-14	1	227	218	-4	0	201	-11	5
15, 17, -5	B	26-1b	U	S	232	217	-6	5	230	-0	9	216	195	-9	7	226	+4	6
15, 17, -5	A	25-1b	European		216	211	-14	2	213	-11	4	203	181	-10	8	201	-1	0
15, 17, -5	B	25-1b	European		201	191	-6	4	198	-2	9	194	174	-10	3	188	-3	1
Average					237	215	-9	3	218	-14	3	210	192	-8	6	204	+0	4
																(.01)	(.01)	
43, 42-1b, Linerboard																		
23, 22	A	26-1b	U	S	280	256	-8	6	242	-13	6	250	214	-7	0	204	-11	5
23, 22	B	26-1b	U	S	298	242	-6	6	224	-14	0	206	256	-5	1	205	-22	2
23, 22	A	25-1b	European		255	238	-6	7	216	-15	3	204	204	0	0	185	-9	3
23, 22	B	25-1b	European		221	214	-4	5	204	-8	9	200	204	+2	0	191	-4	5
Average					254	237	-6	7	221	-13	0	218	212	-2	8	197	+1	9
																(.01)	(.01)	

TABLE XVII
COMBINED BOARD PROPERTIES
(65% Relative Humidity)

P.M.	Size	Type	Medium	Basic weight, lb./sq. ft.			Caliper, pt.			Bursting Strength, P.S.I.			Puncture, mil.			
				U.S. E.G. Liner	Diff. Liner	S.C. Liner	U.S. E.G. Liner	Diff. Liner	S.C. Liner	U.S. E.G. Liner	Diff. Liner	S.C. Liner	U.S. E.G. Liner	Diff. Liner	%	
1, 2, 6	A	26-1b.	U. S.	.304	.201	.2-3	.39	-4.8	.196	.163	-4.1	.190	-2.1	.164	.238	.56
2, 3, 6	B	26-1b.	U. S.	.98	.96	-2.0	.96	-2.0	.114	.111	-2.6	.111	-2.6	.132	.176	.239
2, 3, 5	A	23-1b.	European	.99	.95	-3.0	.95	-4.0	.192	.190	-1.1	.185	-3.6	.251	.477	.257
2, 3, 5	B	23-1b.	European	.94	.91	-3.2	.96	-4.3	.114	.113	-3.5	.110	-3.5	.251	.478	.258
Average				.96	.96	-3.3	.95	-4.1	.154	.150	-2.7	.149	-3.3	.151	.479	.253
10, 7, 11	A	26-1b.	U. S.	.216	.121	-1.3	.120	-5.2	.191	.191	-1.5	.195	+0.5	.259	.421	.371
10, 7, 11	B	26-1b.	U. S.	.113	.106	-6.2	.106	-6.2	.113	.113	-1.6	.114	-0.9	.247	.418	.390
9, 8, 12	A	23-1b.	European	.112	.107	-4.5	.104	-7.1	.193	.190	-1.6	.194	+0.5	.250	.310	.376
9, 8, 12	B	23-1b.	European	.110	.102	-7.3	.102	-6.2	.113	.112	-0.9	.113	0.0	.229	.287	.383
Average				.113	.107	-5.3	.105	-7.1	.154	.152	-1.5	.154	0.0	.232	.322	.386
15, 14, 18	A	26-1b.	U. S.	.126	.123	-2.4	.120	-4.8	.198	.196	-1.0	.195	-1.5	.242	.315	.216
15, 14, 18	B	26-1b.	U. S.	.121	.116	-4.1	.115	-5.0	.138	.116	-1.7	.115	-2.5	.248	.295	.206
15, 14, 17	A	23-1b.	European	.122	.117	-4.1	.115	-5.9	.194	.195	+0.5	.195	+0.5	.242	.336	.215
15, 14, 17	B	23-1b.	European	.115	.112	-2.6	.109	-5.2	.215	.113	-1.7	.113	-1.7	.251	.326	.214
Average				.121	.117	-3.3	.115	-5.0	.156	.155	-0.6	.155	-0.6	.246	.290	.204
25, 19, 22	A	26-1b.	U. S.	.153	.131	-1.5	.129	-3.0	.199	.197	-1.0	.198	-0.5	.260	.346	.226
25, 19, 22	B	26-1b.	U. S.	.128	.126	-1.6	.123	-3.9	.118	.117	-0.8	.118	0.0	.254	.323	.217
21, 20, 21	A	23-1b.	European	.128	.127	-0.8	.122	-4.7	.198	.196	-1.0	.196	-1.0	.284	.376	.209
21, 20, 21	B	23-1b.	European	.122	.121	-0.8	.115	-5.7	.116	.115	-0.9	.116	0.0	.278	.344	.204
Average				.126	.126	-1.6	.122	-4.7	.158	.156	-1.3	.157	-0.6	.269	.340	.214
41, 42-1b. Linerboard																
25, 19, 22	A	26-1b.	U. S.	.153	.131	-1.5	.129	-3.0	.199	.197	-1.0	.198	-0.5	.260	.346	.226
25, 19, 22	B	26-1b.	U. S.	.128	.126	-1.6	.123	-3.9	.118	.117	-0.8	.118	0.0	.254	.323	.217
21, 20, 21	A	23-1b.	European	.128	.127	-0.8	.122	-4.7	.198	.196	-1.0	.196	-1.0	.284	.376	.209
21, 20, 21	B	23-1b.	European	.122	.121	-0.8	.115	-5.7	.116	.115	-0.9	.116	0.0	.278	.344	.204
Average				.126	.126	-1.6	.122	-4.7	.158	.156	-1.3	.157	-0.6	.269	.340	.214

TABLE III (Continued)
COMBINED BOARD PROPERTIES
(65% Relative Humidity)

Plat.	Plat.	Type medium	Average Torsion Tear in oz			Coreline Torsion Tear, in -oz			MD Edgewise Compression, lb/in			CD Edgewise Compression, lb/in											
			U S	E G	Liner	U S	E G	Liner	U S	E G	Liner	U S	E G	Liner									
3, 2, 6	A	26-1b	U S	236	223	-7.5	220	-6.8	223	203	-9.0	197	-13.0	12.2	11.0	9.8	36.5	34.6	32.2	33.7	7.7		
3, 2, 6	B	26-1b	U S	200	192	-7.0	191	-5.0	190	192	+1.1	178	-6.5	20.7	18.5	-10.6	19.3	27.7	34.6	-8.2	36.9	-2.1	
4, 1, 5	A	23-1b	European	200	178	-1.0	202	+1.0	184	-12.3	180	-3.7	11.8	10.2	-13.6	10.9	-7.6	38.9	-37.3	-4.2	35.8	-8.0	
4, 1, 5	B	23-1b	European	162	174	-4.4	168	-7.7	176	163	-7.4	158	-10.2	20.1	17.6	-12.4	20.1	-2.5	38.9	37.0	-3.4	37.4	-1.0
Average			205	192	-6.3	196	-4.4	191	-6.7	178	-8.2	16.2	14.3	-11.7	15.5	-4.3	37.9	35.9	-5.3	36.1	-4.7		
4, 1, 5	A	26-1b	U S	264	241	-8.7	238	-9.8	234	234	-5.1	223	-4.7	15.8	14.2	-10.1	17.2	+8.9	41.4	40.5	+2.2	38.8	-6.3
4, 1, 5	B	26-1b	U S	254	230	-9.4	222	-12.6	214	225	-7.8	223	-8.6	29.0	25.8	-11.0	26.0	-10.3	43.4	44.0	+1.4	41.8	-3.7
9, 8, 12	A	23-1b	European	216	216	-12.2	206	-16.5	212	193	-9.0	201	-5.2	14.7	14.0	-14.8	16.5	+12.2	43.6	41.4	+5.0	42.6	-2.3
9, 8, 12	B	23-1b	European	226	202	-10.6	196	-13.3	207	192	-7.2	196	-5.3	27.1	22.8	-15.9	25.6	-12.9	45.1	43.7	+3.1	45.0	-0.2
Average			213	222	-10.5	216	-12.9	234	208	-7.1	211	-5.8	21.7	19.2	-11.5	20.8	-4.1	43.4	42.4	-2.3	42.1	-3.0	
10, 7, 11	A	26-1b	U S	264	241	-8.7	238	-9.8	234	222	-5.1	223	-4.7	15.8	14.2	-10.1	17.2	+8.9	41.4	40.5	+2.2	38.8	-6.3
10, 7, 11	B	26-1b	U S	254	230	-9.4	222	-12.6	214	225	-7.8	223	-8.6	29.0	25.8	-11.0	26.0	-10.3	43.4	44.0	+1.4	41.8	-3.7
15, 17, 16	A	26-1b	U S	288	271	-9.1	268	-10.1	260	218	-4.6	247	-5.0	20.7	19.8	-4.3	19.4	-6.3	42.7	43.7	+2.3	42.7	0.0
15, 17, 16	B	26-1b	U S	266	232	-12.8	246	-7.5	262	226	-6.6	251	+3.7	32.2	35.0	+8.7	30.6	-4.7	45.1	46.3	+1.8	45.8	-0.7
15, 17, 16	A	23-1b	European	274	250	-16.7	255	-6.9	295	-13.3	229	+1.8	19.3	18.0	-16.7	17.1	-9.8	45.1	45.6	+1.8	46.1	+2.3	
15, 17, 16	B	23-1b	European	236	206	-12.7	228	-3.4	205	202	-1.5	217	+5.9	30.7	32.4	+5.5	28.5	-7.2	44.9	50.8	+15.1	48.1	+7.1
Average			235	235	-12.6	228	-7.4	233	218	-6.4	236	+1.3	25.7	26.3	+2.3	24.5	-6.6	46.8	46.8	+4.9	45.4	+1.8	
23, 22	A	26-1b	U S	266	230	-5.4	272	-8.1	255	251	-1.6	259	-6.3	23.7	26.5	+11.8	23.0	+1.3	46.9	48.6	+3.6	47.2	+0.6
23, 22	B	26-1b	U S	285	253	-1.2	244	-14.4	265	241	-9.1	241	-9.2	36.9	40.0	+8.4	40.1	+8.7	47.1	48.8	+3.6	45.3	-3.8
21, 20	A	23-1b	European	282	272	-3.5	246	-12.8	235	238	+1.3	207	-11.9	20.9	24.5	+17.2	25.6	+22.5	50.9	50.9	+1.8	50.5	+1.0
21, 20	B	23-1b	European	236	210	+0.8	216	-9.2	222	-6.8	212	-4.5	35.3	36.9	+10.2	36.0	+7.6	49.8	50.3	+2.0	48.9	+1.8	
Average			275	261	-5.2	245	-10.9	244	-4.1	234	-7.8	225	-7.8	29.2	32.5	+11.3	31.9	+9.2	48.5	49.7	+2.5	48.0	+1.0

TABLE XVII (Continued)
COMBINED BOARD PROPERTIES
(65% Relative Humidity)

Run	Flute	Type	Medium	Geometric Mean Flexural Stiffness, 1b.-in.						Flat Crush, p.s.i.						Pin Adhesion, 1b./4 sq. in.					
				U.S. Liner	E.G. Liner	Dif., %	S.C. Liner	Dif., %	U.S. Liner	E.G. Liner	Dif., %	S.C. Liner	Dif., %	U.S. Liner	E.G. Liner	Dif., %	S.C. Liner	Dif., %			
3, 2, 6	A	26-1b.	U. S.	81.7	93.5	+14.4	85.1	+4.2	33.5	32.6	-2.7	33.5	0.0	36	35	-2.8	30	-16.7			
3, 2, 6	B	26-1b.	U. S.	26.2	30.4	+16.0	29.3	+11.8	56.1	55.8	-0.5	55.9	-0.4	79	70	-11.4	62	-21.5			
4, 2, 5	A	23-1b.	European	84.4	93.9	+11.3	86.7	+2.7	30.0	27.6	-8.0	29.6	-1.3	30	31	+3.3	31	+3.3			
4, 2, 5	B	23-1b.	European	26.8	31.8	+16.4	28.5	+6.3	52.2	45.9	-12.1	49.0	-6.1	70	58	-17.1	50	-28.5			
Average				62.4	73.9	+13.9	57.1	+4.7	43.0	40.5	-5.8	40.0	-7.0	54	49	-9.3	43	-20.4			
25, 6, 26.0-1b. Linerboard																					
10, 7, 11	A	26-1b.	U. S.	111.4	119.1	+6.9	111.9	+0.4	32.6	31.6	-0.3	31.5	-3.4	27	30	+11.1	32	+18.5			
10, 7, 11	B	26-1b.	U. S.	35.5	38.3	+7.9	34.7	-2.3	53.4	55.2	+3.4	53.6	+0.4	75	69	-8.0	68	-9.3			
2, 2, 12	A	23-1b.	European	110.7	128.4	+18.4	128.4	+16.0	107.5	-2.9	28.7	30.1	+4.9	30.5	+6.5	31	25	-19.4	30	-3.3	
2, 2, 12	B	23-1b.	European	36.0	39.0	+8.3	39.0	+8.3	34.7	-3.6	48.5	49.6	+2.3	51.9	+7.0	77	57	-26.0	60	-22.1	
Average				73.4	81.2	+10.6	72.2	-1.6	40.8	41.6	+2.0	41.9	+2.7	53	45	-15.1	48	-15.1			
30.7, 33.0-1b. Linerboard																					
15, 14, 18	A	26-1b.	U. S.	109.6	149.3	+36.2	116.8	+6.6	32.6	30.3	-7.1	33.3	+2.1	34	31	-8.8	31	-8.8			
15, 14, 18	B	26-1b.	U. S.	37.2	49.8	+35.9	39.2	+5.4	55.6	54.3	-2.3	51.4	-2.3	46	46	-17.9	60	+7.1			
15, 15, 17	A	23-1b.	European	110.3	147.6	+33.8	125.6	+13.9	29.7	30.9	+4.0	30.8	+3.7	35	35	+14.3	31	+11.4			
15, 15, 17	B	23-1b.	European	37.4	48.9	+30.7	41.3	+10.4	53.4	48.7	-8.8	53.5	+0.2	58	58	+17.2	50	+13.8			
Average				73.6	98.9	+34.4	80.7	+9.6	42.8	41.0	-4.2	42.3	-1.2	46	44	-4.3	43	-6.5			
35.8, 38.0-1b. Linerboard																					
41, 42-1b.																					
23, 19, 22	A	26-1b.	U. S.	122.3	163.7	+33.9	137.8	+12.7	31.2	32.6	+2.6	32.9	+5.4	38	38	0.0	38	0.0			
23, 19, 22	B	26-1b.	U. S.	41.0	55.9	+31.5	48.1	+17.3	56.2	55.4	-1.4	52.9	-5.9	70	46	-34.3	55	-21.4			
23, 20, 21	A	23-1b.	European	123.8	160.5	+29.6	135.4	+9.4	30.4	30.9	+1.6	31.8	+4.6	37	36	-2.7	38	+2.7			
23, 20, 21	B	23-1b.	European	39.6	56.4	+42.4	44.1	+11.4	51.3	51.9	+1.2	52.7	+2.7	57	52	-8.8	63	+10.5			
Average				81.7	108.6	+32.9	91.3	+11.8	42.3	42.7	+0.9	42.6	+0.7	51	43	-15.7	49	-3.9			

a Based on U. S. liner results as reference.

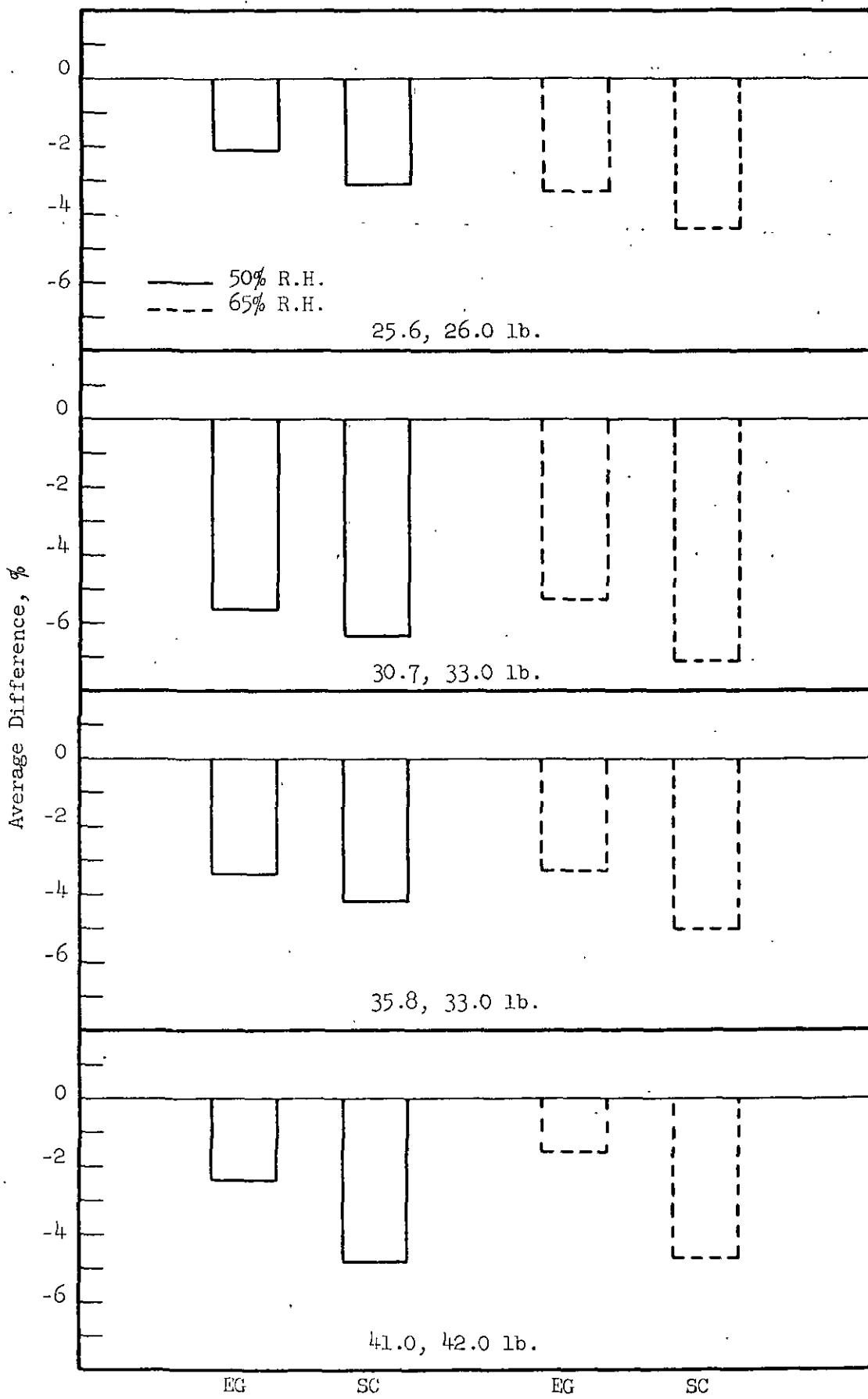


Figure 5. Effect of Type of Linerboard on Combined Board Weight

differences in basis weight are tabulated in Table XVIII together with the corresponding basis weight results on the respective linerboards. It may be seen that at 50% R.H., the basis weight of the combined boards made with European linerboards differ less from the weight of the combined boards made with U.S. linerboards than do the linerboards themselves. The observed differences in linerboard weight, it may be further noted, are considerably greater than the differences calculated on the basis of nominal grade weights.

TABLE XVIII
COMPARISON OF AVERAGE DIFFERENCE IN COMBINED BOARD
AND LINERBOARD WEIGHT

U.S. Nominal Grade Weight	Combined Board Difference, % ^a		Linerboard Difference, % ^a		
	E.G.	S.C.	Observed	E.G.	S.C.
50% Relative Humidity					
26.0	-2.1	-3.1	-5.4	-4.6	-1.5
33.0	-5.6	-6.4	-9.1	-11.4	-7.0
38.0	-3.4	-4.2	-5.1	-7.6	-5.8
42.0	-2.4	-4.8	-2.8	-7.5	-2.4
65% Relative Humidity					
26.0	-3.3	-4.4	-2.8	-4.3	--
33.0	-5.3	-7.1	-9.2	-11.8	--
38.0	-3.3	-5.0	-4.5	-6.2	--
42.0	-1.6	-4.7	-3.0	-8.5	--

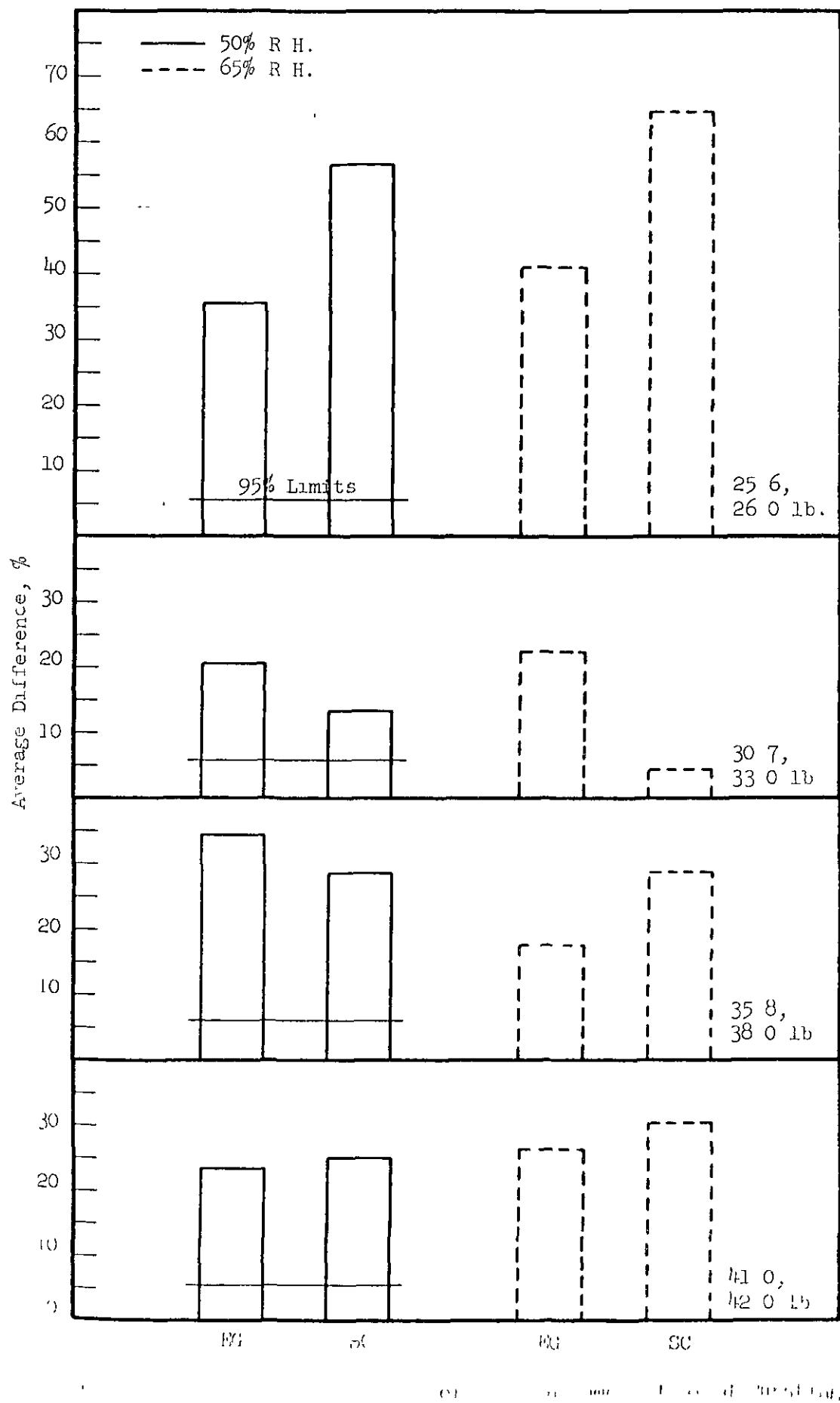
^aU.S. combined board and linerboard used as reference in calculating percentage differences.

As may be noted from Table XVIII, the Svenska Cellulosa linerboards were made to a lower basis weight than the Enso Cutseit linerboards; hence, the combined boards in general reflect this difference.

As mentioned previously, one of the characteristic differences between U.S. and European linerboard is the bursting strength level at which the respective linerboards are marketed. It may be seen from the bursting strength results tabulated in Tables XVI and XVII and graphed in Fig. 6 that, as would be expected, the combined boards made with European linerboards averaged 25 to 30% higher, at a 2 to 7% lower combined board weight, than the corresponding samples fabricated with U.S. linerboards. The greatest difference is at the lowest grade weight level - 25.6, 26.0-lb. For purpose of comparison, the composite average differences in bursting strength at each level of linerboard weight are retabulated below. The bursting strength results at each level of linerboard weight at 50% R.H. have been statistically analyzed (analysis of variance method) to determine if the observed differences are "real" - i.e., statistically significant. The values in parentheses in the following tabulation indicate the level at which the difference is significant; NS denotes that the difference is not significant at the 5% confidence level.

U.S. nominal Grade Weight	Composite Average Difference ^a in Bursting Strength, %			
	50% R.H.		65% R.H.	
	E.G.	S.C.	E.G.	S.C.
26.0	+35.7(.01)	+56.8(.01)	+41.1	+64.9
33.0	+20.7(.01)	+13.5(.01)	+22.4	+4.3
38.0	+34.4(.01)	+28.8(.01)	+17.9	+28.9
42.0	+23.4(.01)	+25.1(.01)	+26.4	+30.5

^aCombined board made with U.S. linerboard used as reference.



As would be expected, all the composite average differences at 50% R.H. are statistically significant at the 1% confidence level. Because of the lower weight of the combined boards made with European linerboards, the differences would be even greater on a unit weight basis than obtained on an observed or "as is" basis.

The philosophy practiced in the manufacture of Scandinavian kraft linerboard implies that bursting strength of the linerboard is related to box performance. With reference to this implication, it may be recalled that boxes made with European linerboard exhibited lower top-load compression, about equal end-load compression, and about equal drop and drum performance at the 25.6, 26.0-lb. linerboard grade weight level when compared with boxes made with U.S. linerboard; however, the bursting strength of the combined boards made with European linerboard averaged 35 to 65% higher than that of the corresponding combined board made with U.S. linerboard. Further, at the 30.7, 33.0-lb. grade weight level, box performance was about the same for all three "types" of boxes, although the combined boards made with European linerboard exhibited 4 to 22% higher bursting strength. At the two highest grade weight levels (35.8, 38.0-lb and 41.0, 42.0-lb.), the boxes made with Enso Gutzeit linerboard exhibited higher top-load compression, slightly higher end-load compression, and about equal rough handling in relation to boxes made with U.S. linerboard, whereas boxes made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboard exhibited slightly lower top- and end-load compression, and about equal rough handling performance when compared with boxes made with U.S. linerboard. However, the bursting strengths of the combined boards made with European linerboards surpassed that of combined board made with U.S. linerboard by about 13 to 35%. Thus, bursting strength of combined board does not appear to be an appropriate criterion on which to base box performance.

The puncture test is used to measure the energy to rupture the board under a specified condition. As such it is an integrating type of test - it measures the work to bend; to initiate puncture of the board; to continue the tear along a line corresponding to the loading edges of the puncture point, etc. Because of this integrating feature, minute weak spots in the test area would be expected to adversely influence the total work to rupture only in direct proportion to their area. In contrast, the bursting strength test, which is a maximum force indicating type of test, is markedly affected by minute weak spots in the test area - e.g., pinholes. Studies (3, 6-8) have shown that the puncture characteristics of combined board are better related to box performance than bursting strength.

The puncture results obtained in this study at 50 and 65% R.H. are given in Tables XVI and XVII. It may be seen from the results in the above tables, which are graphed in Fig. 7, that for practically all combinations the combined board made with U.S. linerboards exhibited slightly higher puncture values than the corresponding boards made with European linerboards. The puncture results at 50% R.H. have been statistically analyzed; the composite average differences and the statistical significance of the differences are given as follows for each grade weight level.

U.S. Nominal Grade Weight	Composite Average Difference ^a		Puncture, %	
	50% R.H.	S.C.	E.G.	S.C.
26.0	-4.2(.01)	-16.7(.01)	-4.7	-10.5
33.0	-5.3(.01)	-5.3(.01)	-8.2	-8.2
38.0	-5.9(.01)	-3.0(.01)	-5.2	-4.2
42.0	-0.9(NS)	-1.4(NS)	+0.4	-4.5

^a Combined board made with U.S. linerboard used as reference. Prefix + and - indicates whether higher or lower than U.S. combined board, respectively.

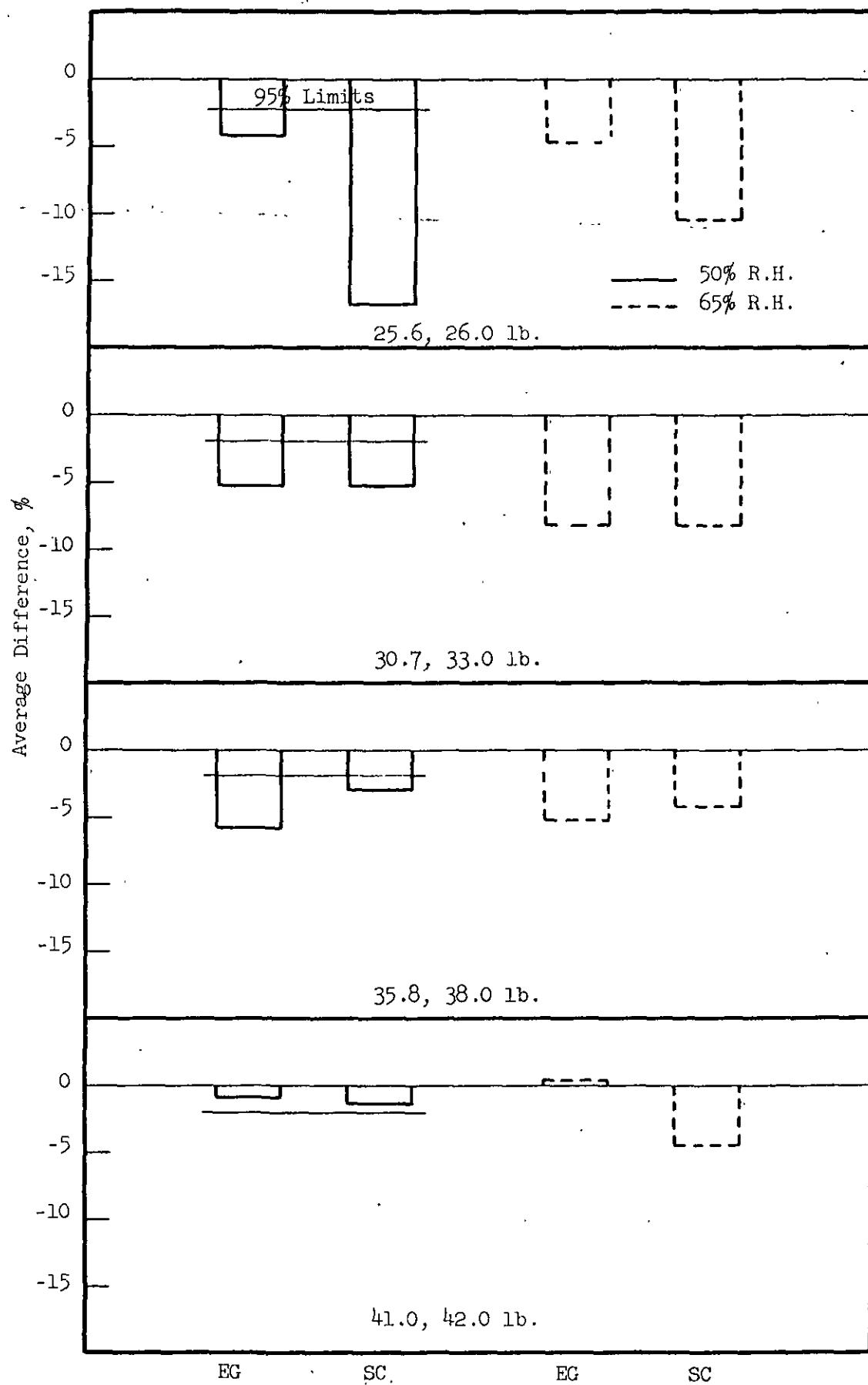


Figure 7. Effect of Type of Linerboard on Combined Board Puncture Resistance

As noted above, the puncture characteristics of combined board made with U.S. linerboard are higher than those of combined board made with European linerboards except for one: the Enso Gutseit board at the 41.0, 42.0-lb. grade weight level at 65% R.H. The composite average differences observed at 50% R.H. are statistically significant at the 1% confidence level except for the results at the 41.0, 42.0-lb. grade weight level. Although the puncture results average 4 to 5% higher for combined boards made with U.S. linerboard, this difference is not reflected in the box compression performance except at the 25.6, 26.0-lb. grade weight level, at which boxes made with U.S. linerboards exhibited higher top-load compression. Because of the lower weights associated with combined boards made with European linerboards, the differences in puncture are about equal in many instances to the difference in combined board weight. Thus, on a unit weight basis the differences in puncture results would not be expected to be significant.

The torsion tear test is a strength test which was developed at The Institute of Paper Chemistry for the purpose of evaluating the tearing strength of corrugated board because it was felt that this physical property was intimately related to rough handling performance of boxes as measured by means of drop and run tests. By way of validation, it has been found (9, 10) that torsion tear tests on corrugated board are reasonably well related to rough handling performance of boxes. Torsion tear tests on the flap scoreline have been found (9) to give slightly better correlations with rough handling performance than tests on unscored specimens of the combined board.

In the present study, torsion tear tests were made in each principal direction on unscored portions of the board and also in the area of the flap scoreline. The results are tabulated in Tables XVI and XVII, respectively, for 50 and 65% R.H. The results on the unscored portions of combined board are expressed as

"average torsion tear" which is the average of the in-machine and cross-machine results. It may be seen from the results tabulated in Tables XVI and XVII that in practically all instances the combined board made with U.S. linerboard exhibited higher average torsion tear than the corresponding combined boards made with European linerboards. The composite average differences in average torsion tear at each grade weight level of linerboard weight are retabulated as shown and are graphically illustrated in Fig. 8.

U.S. Nominal Grade Weight	Composite Average Difference in Average Torsion Tear, % ^a			
	50% R.H.		65% R.H.	
	E.G.	S.C.	E.G.	S.C.
26.0	-8.1	-8.1	-6.3	-4.4
33.0	-9.6	-11.5	-10.5	-12.9
38.0	-9.3	-8.0	-12.6	-7.4
42.0	-6.7	-13.0	-5.1	-10.9

^aCombined board made with U.S. linerboard used as reference.

It may be seen that, in general, the combined boards made with U.S. linerboards are about 5 to 12% higher in torsion tear strength than combined boards made with European linerboards. It is believed that the superiority of U.S. combined board in this characteristic is due to the higher tearing strength of the U.S. linerboards. When rough handling performance is considered, it may be noted that the drop and drum tests do not reflect the difference in torsion tear. A possible explanation for this lack of correlation may be the fact that the torsion tear of combined board reflects to a large extent the tearing strength of the linerboards and it will be seen that the U.S. linerboards are superior to the European linerboards in tearing strength. However, from a material standpoint, drop and drum performance is believed to be dependent to a large extent

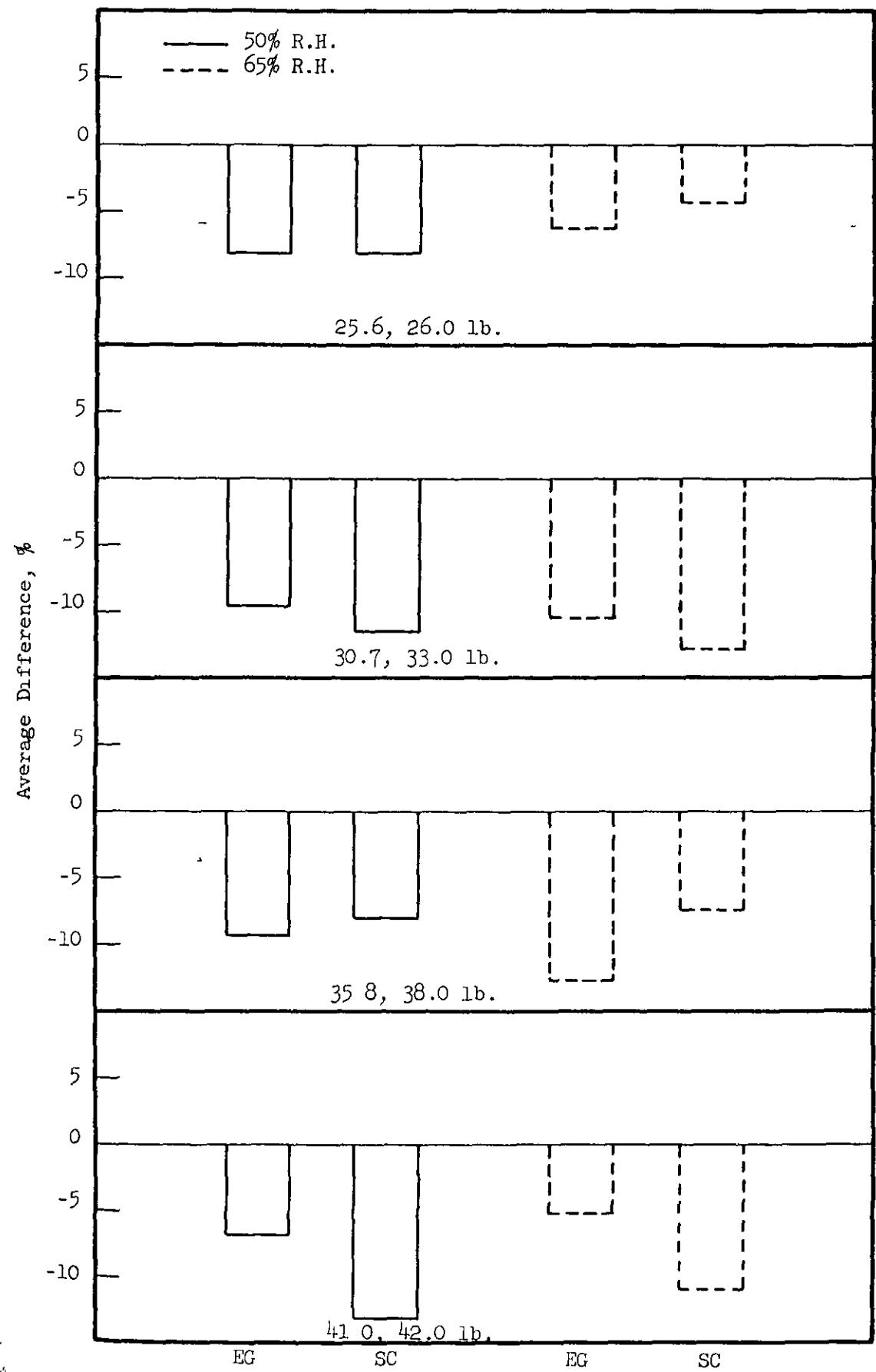


Figure 8 Effect of Type of Linerboard on Combined Board Torsion
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on cross-machine tensile strength as well as on tearing strength of the linerboards. As will be shown later, the cross-machine tensile strengths of the European linerboards are markedly higher than the corresponding results on U.S. linerboards.

When the scoreline torsion tear results are considered, it may be noted, as in the case of the torsion tear on the unscored boards, that the results on the combined boards made with U.S. linerboards were in most instances higher than the results on the corresponding boards made with European linerboards. The scoreline torsion tear results have been analyzed statistically and the composite average differences together with the observed level of significance are given as follows and graphically illustrated in Fig. 9:

U.S. Nominal Grade Weight, lb.	Composite Average Difference in Scoreline Torsion Tear, % ^a			
	50% R.H.		65% R.H.	
	E.G.	S.C.	E.G.	S.C.
26.0	-7.5(.01)	-21.4(.01)	-6.7	-8.2
33.0	-7.3(.01)	-2.6(.01)	-7.1	-5.8
38.0	-8.6(.01)	-2.9(.01)	-6.4	+1.3
42.0	-2.8(.01)	-9.6(.01)	-4.1	-7.8

^aCombined board made with U.S. linerboard used as reference.

It may be noted that all the composite average differences are statistically significant at the 1% confidence level indicating that the combined boards made with U.S. linerboards definitely have higher scoreline torsion tear strength. It is believed that this superiority in scoreline torsion tear strength is not reflected in better drop and drum performance for the reason described earlier - i.e., the belief that drop and drum performance is dependent to a large extent on cross-machine tensile strength as well as on tearing strength of linerboard.

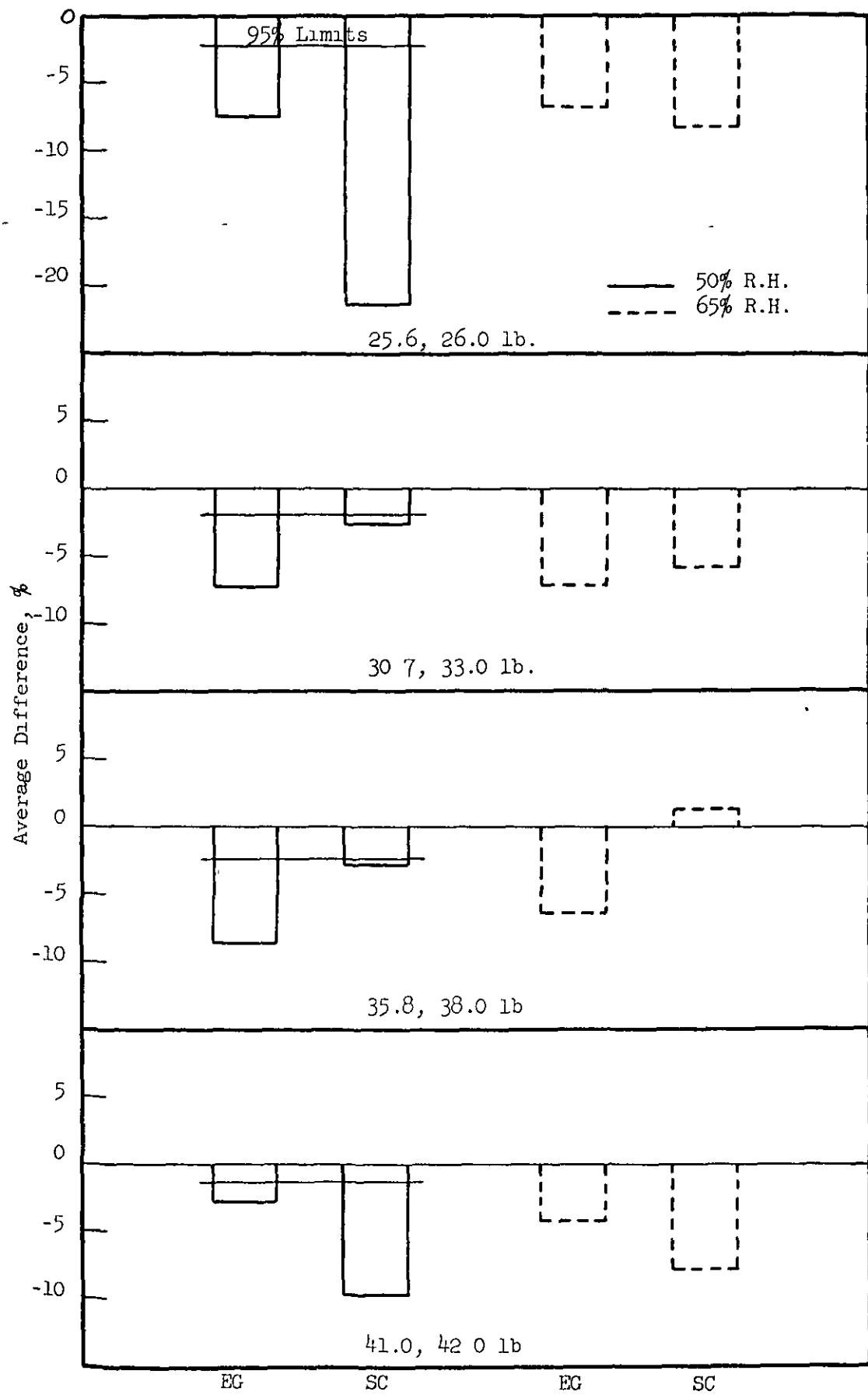


Figure 9 Effect of Type of Linerboard on Combined Board Scoreline
Tension Test

Earlier studies (11-13) have shown that top-load box compression may be predicted with reasonable accuracy from a consideration of two basic combined board properties and the load perimeter (2L + 2W) of the box according to the relationship given by Equation (1):

$$P = 2.028 P_m^{0.746} (\sqrt{D_x D_y})^{0.254} 0.492 Z \quad (1)$$

when

$$\underline{d}/\underline{Z} \geq 1/7$$

where

P = top-load box compression, lb.

P_m = combined board cross-machine edgewise compression, lb./in.

D_x, D_y = combined board flexural stiffness in each principal direction, lb.-in.

Z = load perimeter (2L + 2W), inches

d = depth of box, inches

Studies currently in progress reveal that somewhat the same type of relationship appears to hold for end-load box compression. However, in the case of end-loaded compression a gap factor, $1 + \underline{W}/\underline{L}$, should be considered and the combined board edgewise compression of concern is in the machine-direction in contrast to cross direction for top-load compression. Thus, it may be seen that combined board edgewise compression and flexural stiffness have a marked influence on box compression.

A comparison of the machine-direction edgewise compression results tabulated in Tables XVI and XVII for 50 and 65% R.H., respectively, indicates that the machine-direction edgewise compression strength of combined board made with U.S. linerboards was generally higher at the 25.6, 26.0-lb. and the 30.7, 33.0-lb. linerboard grade weight levels but lower at the other two grade weight

levels than combined board made with Enso Gutseit linerboard. The corresponding comparison for combined boards made with Svenska Cellulosa linerboards indicates a similar but weaker trend. As noted earlier, machine-direction edgewise compression is the basic property of combined board of major importance to end-load box compression. In order to compare the combined board and box relationship, the composite average differences in machine-direction edgewise compression strength of the combined boards are given together with the indicated degree of significance and the corresponding end-load box compression results. The composite average differences in edgewise compression are illustrated in Fig. 10.

U.S. Nominal Grade Weight, lb.	Composite Average Difference ^a M.D. Edgewise Compression, % E.G.	Composite Average Difference ^a End-Load Box Compression, % E.G	Composite Average Difference ^a End-Load Box Compression, % S.C.
50% R.H.			
26.0	-10.2(.01)	+0.7(NS)	-4.1(NS)
33.0	-10.2(.01)	-4.2(.05)	-5.3(.01)
38.0	+0.4(NS)	-6.6(.01)	+2.2(NS)
42.0	+15.2(.01)	+8.3(.01)	+7.1(.01)
65% R.H.			
26.0	-11.7	-4.3	-4.2(NS)
33.0	-11.5	-4.1	-6.6(.01)
38.0	+2.3	-6.6	+5.9(.01)
42.0	+11.3	+9.2	+4.4(NS)

^a Combined board made with U.S. linerboard used as reference

It may be seen from the results tabulated above that for the two lower grade weight levels the composite average differences in machine-direction edgewise compression strength of combined board made with U.S. and Enso Gutseit

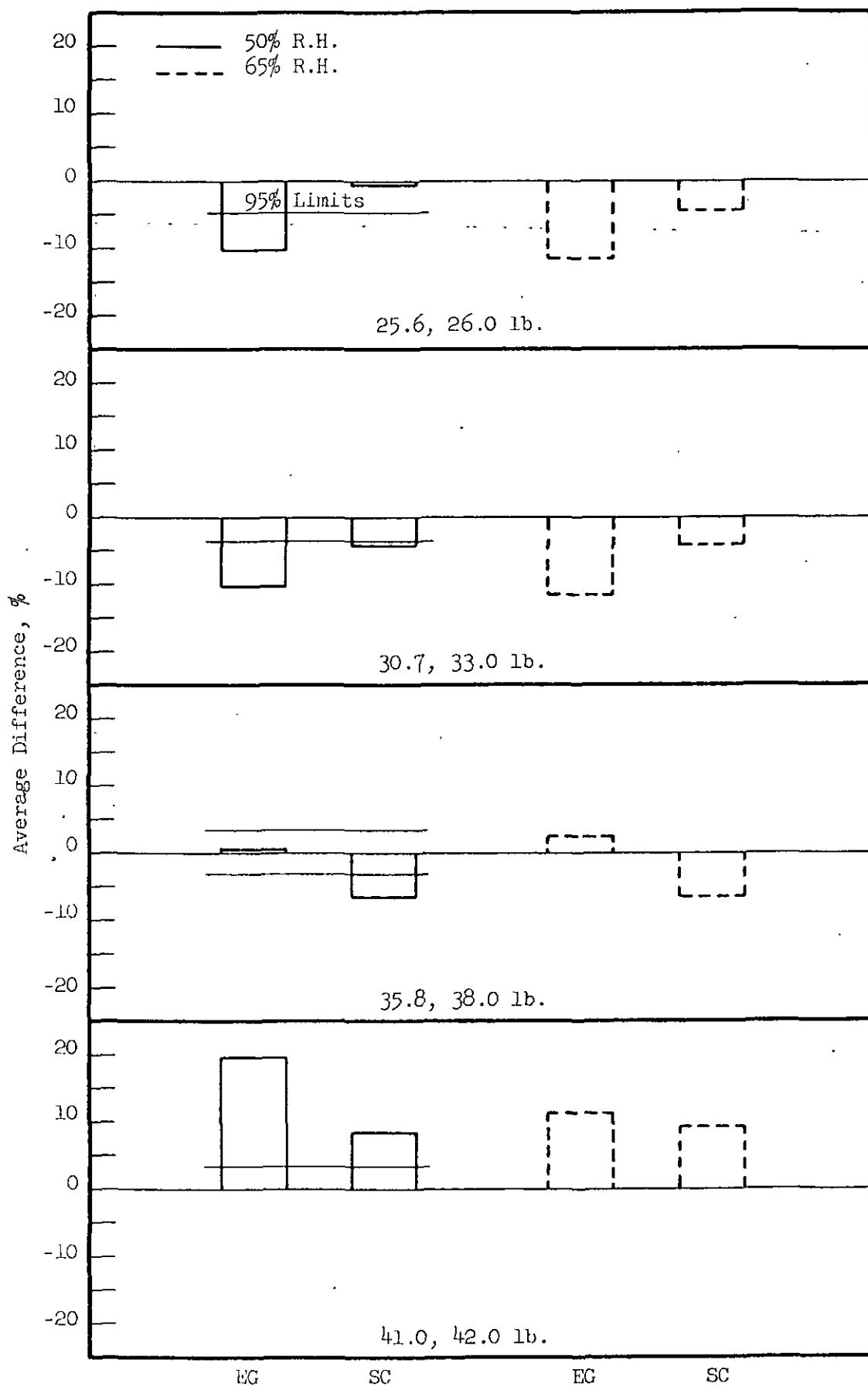


Figure 10. Effect of Type of Linerboard on Combined Board Machine

linerboards are significant at the 1% level; not significant at the 35.7, 38.0-lb. weight level, but significant at the 41.0, 42.0-lb. linerboard weight level. When these results are compared with the corresponding results for end-load box performance it may be seen that there is reasonable agreement. The composite average differences between the results on combined boards made with U.S. and Svenska Cellulosa linerboards show that at the 25.6, 26.0-lb. grade weight level the difference is not significant. At the 30.7, 33.0-lb. and 35.8, 38.0-lb. grade weight levels, the differences favor the U.S. combined boards and are significant at the 5 and 1% confidence levels, respectively. At the 41.0, 42.0-lb. grade weight level the difference is significant and favors the Svenska Cellulosa combined board. When the composite average differences in machine-direction edgewise compression between U.S. and Svenska Cellulosa combined boards are compared with the corresponding results for end-load box compression, it may be noted that there is reasonable agreement.

It may be noted that the results at 65% R.H. are generally slightly higher than the corresponding results at 50% R.H. This trend may appear at first to be an anomaly; however, it should be emphasized that machine-direction edgewise compression specimens fail due to the interflute buckling of the linerboard; thus, the machine-direction flexural stiffness of the linerboards governs failure in machine-direction edgewise compression testing of corrugated board. Flexural stiffness of the linerboard is, in turn, a function of the modulus of elasticity, E , and the moment of inertia, I . The modulus is a strength property of the material, whereas the moment of inertia is a dimensional property of the material. The modulus of elasticity of the linerboard decreases slightly as the relative humidity increases because of a reduction in bonding strength, etc., whereas the moment of inertia, which is a function of the caliper cubed in the case of linerboard - rectangular cross section - increases because the caliper

of the linerboard increases at the higher humidity. The net result is that the decrease in E is more than offset by the increase in I; thus, flexural stiffness, EI, of the linerboard increases slightly with relative humidity. This increase in linerboard EI manifests itself as an increase in machine-direction edgewise compression of corrugated board.

As mentioned earlier, studies carried out at The Institute of Paper Chemistry (11-13) have shown that top-load box compression is dependent on two fundamental material properties of the combined board - cross-machine edgewise compression and flexural stiffness - and the load perimeter as indicated by Equation (1). Further, it may be observed from the magnitude of the exponents associated with the edgewise compression, P_m, and the geometric mean of the flexural stiffnesses that the cross-machine edgewise compression strength of the combined board has about twice the importance that the flexural stiffness has on top-load box compression.

The cross-machine edgewise compression results obtained at 50 and 65% R.H. are tabulated in Tables XVI and XVII, respectively. It may be noted that at the 25.6, 26.0-lb. grade weight level the cross-machine edgewise compression strength of the combined board made with U.S. linerboard is higher than that of boards made with European linerboards. The same trend is observed at the 30.7, 33.0-lb. grade weight level. At the 35.8, 38.0-lb. and 41.0, 42.0-lb. grade weight levels the cross-machine edgewise compression strength of the U.S. combined boards are lower than those of the corresponding Enso Gutseit combined boards. In the case of the Svenska Cellulosa combined boards the trend is for the results to be approximately equal to the results obtained on U.S. combined boards. For the purpose of comparing the significance of these noted differences with the top-load box compression results, the composite average differences in

cross-machine edgewise compression are shown in the following tabulation; the average differences in cross-machine edgewise compression are illustrated in Fig. 11:

U.S. Nominal Grade Weight, lb.	Composite Average Difference ^a C.D. Edgewise Compression, % E.G.	Composite Average Difference ^a Top-Load Box Compression, % E.G.
50% R.H.		
26.0	-3.1(.01)	-4.7(.01)
33.0	-6.7(.01)	-7.4(.01)
38.0	+2.6(.01)	+2.4(.01)
42.0	+4.4(.01)	-0.2(NS)
65% R.H.		
26.0	-5.3	-4.7
33.0	-2.3	-3.0
38.0	+4.9	+1.8
42.0	+2.5	+1.0

^aCombined board made with U.S. linerboard used as reference.

It may be observed that all the differences between U.S. and Enso Gutseit combined boards are significant at the 1% level of confidence. In the case of the U.S. and Svenska Cellulosa combined boards, all the differences are statistically significant except for the difference at the 41.0, 42.0-lb. grade weight level. Comparison of the combined board edgewise compression and top-load box compression results indicate good agreement between these properties of the U.S. and Enso Gutseit combined boards and boxes. The agreement between U.S. and Svenska Cellulosa combined boards and boxes is reasonably good but not as good as that between U.S. and Enso Gutseit combined boards and boxes.

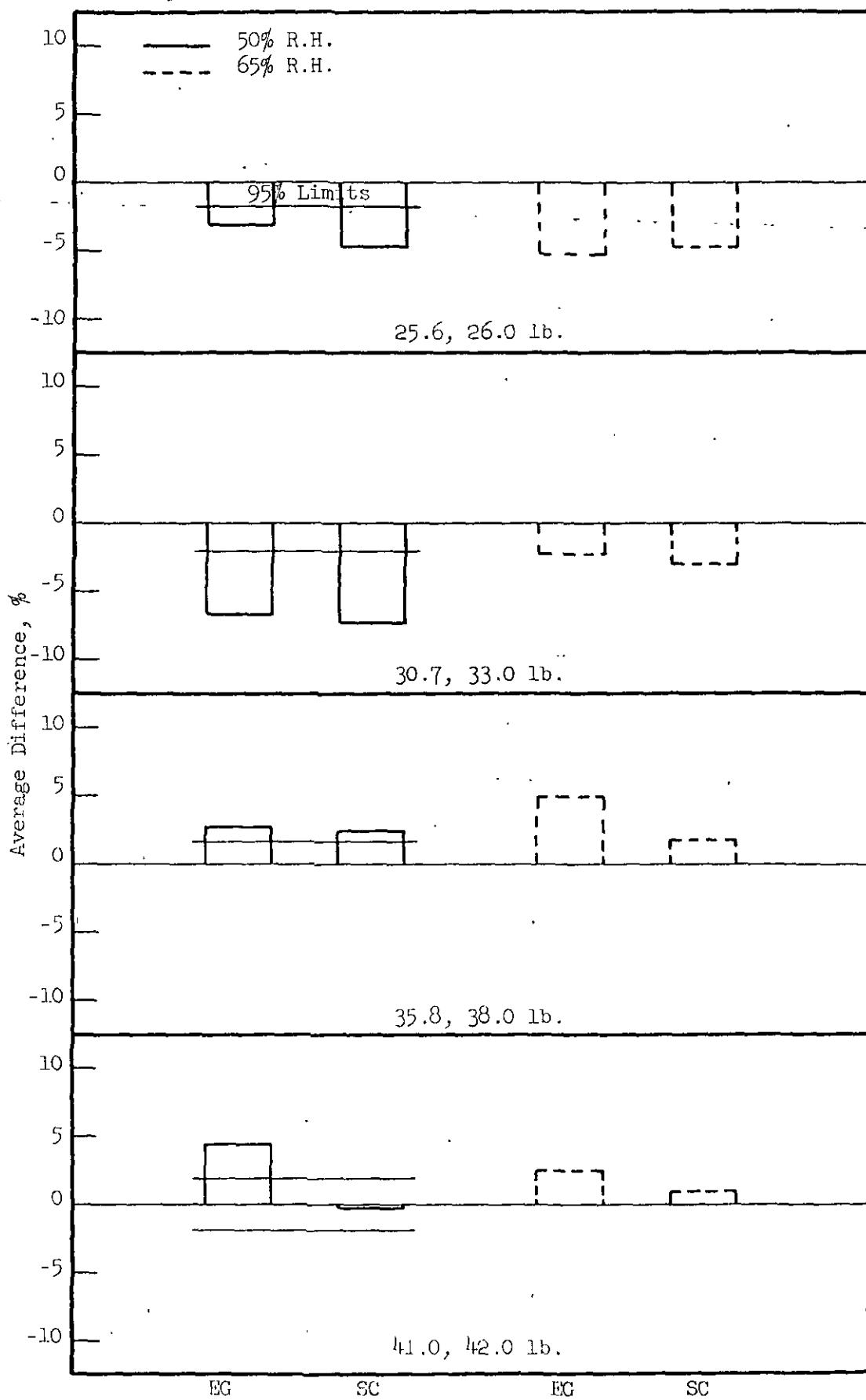


Fig. 11. Effect of Type of Linerboard on Combined Board Cross

The flexural stiffness of a material is the resistance with which a material resists bending. As previously mentioned, flexural stiffness is one of the basic properties of corrugated board which influence box compression. It enters the relationship as the geometric mean [see Equation (1)]. Examination of Equation (1) reveals that although flexural stiffness is one of the two basic material properties which determine box compression, its importance is secondary to edgewise compression as may be noted from the magnitude of the exponents associated with these properties in Equation (1).

The flexural stiffness results expressed as the geometric mean are tabulated in Tables XVI and XVII for 50 and 65% R.H., respectively. It may be seen that with one exception the geometric mean of the flexural stiffness of the combined boards made with U.S. linerboards is lower than the corresponding results on combined boards made with European linerboards. The exception is the combined board made with 30.7-lb. grade weight Svenska Cellulosa linerboard which exhibits lower results than the corresponding board made with 33.0-lb. grade weight U.S. linerboard. For purposes of comparison, the composite average difference in the geometric mean of the flexural stiffness between combined boards made with European and domestic linerboards are tabulated as follows and illustrated graphically in Fig. 12.

U.S. Nominal Grade Weight, lb.	Composite Average Difference in Geometric Mean of Flexural Stiffness, % ^a			
	50% R.H.		65% R.H.	
	E.G.	S.C.	E.G.	S.C.
26.0	+7.6	+7.1	+13.9	+4.7
33.0	+9.0	-3.6	+10.6	-1.6
38.0	+38.3	+14.8	+34.4	+9.6
42.0	+36.6	+16.2	+32.9	+11.8

^aCard board made with U.S. Linerboard used as reference.

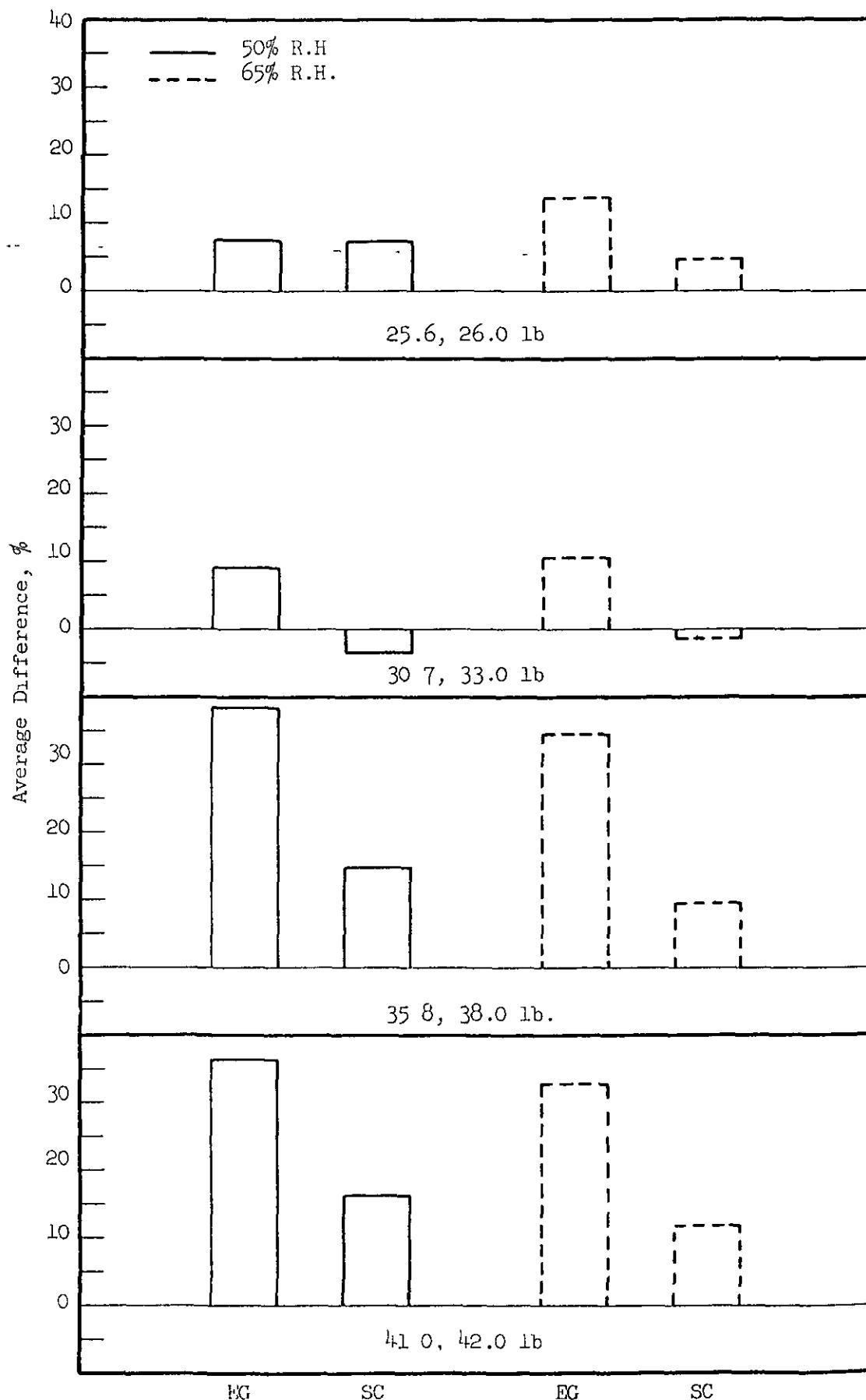


Figure 12. Effect of Type of Linerboard on Combined Board Geometric Mean of Flexural Stiffness

The flexural stiffness of corrugated board is primarily a function of the modulus of elasticity of the linerboards making up the facings and the caliper of the combined board; thus, the composite differences reflect the higher modulus of elasticity associated with the European linerboards in contrast to U.S. linerboards. The greatest difference in flexural stiffness expressed as the geometric mean is at the two higher weight levels - i.e., 35.8, 38.0-lb. and 41.0, 42.0-lb. grade weight levels.

As mentioned earlier in this report, a previous study (13) carried out at The Institute of Paper Chemistry has shown that top-load box compression is dependent on two basic combined board properties and the load perimeter as indicated by Equation (1). In order to determine the efficiency of this relationship when applied to the present study, top-load box compression results were calculated from the combined board results by means of Equation (1) and also an abridged form of Equation (1) which is based on an empirical relationship. The form of the abridged relationship is given in Equation (2),

$$P = 5.37 P_m h^{0.508} Z^{0.492} \quad (2)$$

where

P = top-load box compression, lb

P_m = combined board cross-machine edgewise compression, lb/in.

Z = box load perimeter ($2L + 2W$), inch

h = combined board caliper, inch

The predicted and observed top-load compression results are tabulated

in Tables XIX and XX. It may be noted that Equations (1) and (2) predict top-load box compression very well for the B-flute boxes; however, the results obtained for the A-flute samples at 50 and 65% R.H. exhibit considerably more

TABLE XIX
COMPARISON OF OBSERVED AND COMPUTED TOP LOAD COMPRESSION VALUES
(50% Relative humidity)

Run	Liner Weight, lb /1 sq ft	Medium Weight, lb /1 sq ft	Observed	Top Load Compression, lb			Computed (Long Form)	Computed (Short Form)	Diff., % ^a	Observed	Top Load Compression, lb			Computed (Long Form)	Computed (Short Form)	Diff., % ^a
				A-Flute	B-Flute	Diff., % ^a					A-Flute	B-Flute	Diff., % ^a			
3	US-26	US-26	530	553	573	+8.1	460	436	-5.2	449	562	562	-2.3	562	+3.1	
10	US-33	US-26	595	668	635	+6.8	545	554	+1.7	517	571	571	+1.0	571	+0.2	
15	US-38	US-26	635	634	681	+7.7	565	560	-0.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	
23	JS-42	US-26	730	759	733	+4.0	590	579	-3.9	591	-	-	-	-	-	
2	SC-25	US-26	510	538	531	+5.5	445	427	-3.9	414	529	529	-6.9	-	-	
7	SC-30	US-26	615	638	576	+2.7	515	556	+2.0	594	594	594	-1.1	-	-	
2	SC-35	US-26	690	735	663	+7.0	600	626	+4.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	
1	SC-41	US-26	775	812	771	+8.7	640	651	+1.7	619	-	-	-	-	-	
6	SC-25	US-26	520	517	494	-0.5	440	439	-0.1	435	-	-	-	-	-	
1	SC-30	US-26	610	622	585	+1.9	525	514	-2.0	513	-	-	-	-	-	
1	SC-35	US-26	620	720	686	+12.4	590	558	-5.5	543	-	-	-	-	-	
2	SC-41	US-26	715	783	729	+9.5	620	571	-10.8	555	-	-	-	-	-	
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4	US-26	EUR -23	565	595	606	+7.3	465	426	-6.3	443	577	577	-4.9	-	-	
3	US-33	EUR -23	590	713	631	+20.9	701	545	+7.1	569	569	569	+5.8	+1.6	+1.6	
6	US-38	EUR -23	660	713	680	+8.0	630	560	+6.3	616	616	616	+7.1	+7.1	+7.1	
24	US-42	EUR -23	725	791	768	+9.1	760	575	+6.0	575	-	-	-	-	-	
1	SC-25	EUR -23	520	588	583	+13.1	435	471	-8.4	455	-	-	-	-	-	
3	SC-30	EUR -23	595	689	626	+15.8	555	552	-0.5	531	-	-	-	-	-	
1	SC-35	EUR -23	675	782	710	+15.9	635	621	-2.2	592	-	-	-	-	-	
20	SC-41	EUR -23	815	891	801	+9.7	801	-1.2	630	666	+5.8	627	+0.5	+0.5	+0.5	
5	SC-25	EUR -23	530	562	553	+6.0	435	458	+5.3	460	-	-	-	-	-	
2	SC-30	EUR -23	625	699	665	+11.9	515	521	+1.2	505	-	-	-	-	-	
1	SC-35	EUR -23	630	766	724	+21.6	724	606	+3.6	600	-	-	-	-	-	
21	SC-41	EUR -23	740	865	823	+16.9	823	+11.2	-4.6	650	-	-	-	-	-	
24D	US-26	EUR -26	545	608	613	+11.6	517	517	+9.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	
24C	US-33	EUR -26	655	744	686	+13.6	744	744	+15.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	
24B	US-38	EUR -26	645	745	715	+15.5	780	780	+6.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	
24A	US-42	EUR -26	730	795	740	+9.0	-	-	-	8.8	-	-	-	-	-	
Av	--	--	--	--	--	--	12.1	--	--	4.0	-	-	-	-	-	
Grav av	--	--	--	--	--	--	10.0	7.0	-	3.6	-	-	-	-	-	

^aBased on observed values as reference

one Long Form $\Sigma = 2 \cdot 0277 P_0^{0.7462} \left(\frac{P_0}{P_{0.5076}} \right)^0 \cdot 2538 \cdot 0.4924$
one Short Form $\Sigma = 5.975 \cdot P_0^{0.7462} \left(\frac{P_0}{P_{0.5076}} \right)^0 \cdot 2538 \cdot 0.4924$

Table 2. Top-Load Compressive and Tensile Compression Values

Specimen No.	Spec. No.	Medium Weight, lb./in. sq. ft.	Top-Load Compression, lb.	Top-Load Compression, lb.				Top-Load Compression, lb.			
				Observed	(Long Form)	Diffr., %	Computed (Short Form)	Observed	(Long Form)	Diffr., %	Computed (Short Form)
3-Flute											
US-26	15-26	590	543	-10.3	560	+14.4	405	426	+2.8	440	+3.1
US-25	15-25	569	545	+25.2	532	+12.9	495	500	+1.0	505	+2.7
US-24	15-24	636	657	+9.4	559	+9.8	525	520	+2.7	535	0.0
US-23	15-23	670	725	+9.2	726	+8.3	570	551	+3.3	559	+1.9
US-22	15-22	670	655	+16.1	520	+11.9	425	406	+4.5	398	+6.3
US-21	15-21	610	545	+26.7	614	+12.6	510	515	+0.5	511	+2.2
US-20	15-20	665	653	+16.6	571	+10.9	570	572	+0.3	565	+4.4
US-19	15-19	710	601	+16.8	748	+6.7	620	607	+2.2	579	+7.0
US-18	15-18	710	577	+25.9	509	+9.4	405	422	+4.2	424	+4.8
US-17	15-17	615	615	+12.0	594	+6.0	495	483	+2.4	487	+2.5
US-16	15-16	625	639	+6.0	654	+4.6	570	525	+7.9	525	+7.9
US-15	15-15	635	625	+16.0	728	+6.3	550	557	+3.9	539	+7.3
US-14	15-14	610	625	+25.0	721	+9.5	620	612	+3.0	612	+4.4
US-13	15-13	610	577	+25.5	721	+9.5	620	612	+3.0	612	+4.4
US-12	15-12	610	577	+25.5	721	+9.5	620	612	+3.0	612	+4.4
Average											
EUR-25	25-25	520	574	+20.3	527	+23.7	450	424	+5.5	447	+0.8
EUR-24	25-24	540	669	+24.0	664	+23.0	500	516	+3.2	524	+0.7
EUR-23	25-23	600	692	+15.3	696	+16.1	520	520	+1.9	525	+0.6
EUR-22	25-22	575	723	+25.0	772	+24.0	570	570	+10.6	596	+3.0
EUR-21	25-21	575	571	+22.0	564	+9.5	420	430	+2.3	424	+0.9
EUR-20	25-20	575	569	+22.0	626	+24.8	515	515	+2.2	505	+5.2
EUR-19	25-19	575	569	+23.7	711	+15.5	620	619	+1.7	620	+4.9
EUR-18	25-18	575	569	+23.7	761	+6.3	600	628	+4.6	599	+1.9
EUR-17	25-17	575	569	+23.7	761	+6.3	600	628	+4.6	628	+1.9
EUR-16	25-16	575	569	+23.7	761	+6.3	600	628	+4.6	628	+1.9
EUR-15	25-15	575	569	+23.7	761	+6.3	600	628	+4.6	628	+1.9
EUR-14	25-14	575	569	+23.7	761	+6.3	600	628	+4.6	628	+1.9
EUR-13	25-13	575	569	+23.7	761	+6.3	600	628	+4.6	628	+1.9
EUR-12	25-12	575	569	+23.7	761	+6.3	600	628	+4.6	628	+1.9
Average											
EUR-25	25-25	465	543	+19.7	534	+17.3	395	427	+8.2	434	+9.9
EUR-24	25-24	575	553	+25.0	572	+23.2	470	511	+8.6	522	+7.4
EUR-23	25-23	625	625	+12.0	651	+24.3	525	525	+0.5	525	+0.5
EUR-22	25-22	625	625	+12.0	651	+24.3	525	525	+0.5	525	+0.5
EUR-21	25-21	625	625	+12.0	651	+24.3	525	525	+0.5	525	+0.5
EUR-20	25-20	625	625	+12.0	651	+24.3	525	525	+0.5	525	+0.5
EUR-19	25-19	625	625	+12.0	651	+24.3	525	525	+0.5	525	+0.5
EUR-18	25-18	625	625	+12.0	651	+24.3	525	525	+0.5	525	+0.5
EUR-17	25-17	625	625	+12.0	651	+24.3	525	525	+0.5	525	+0.5
EUR-16	25-16	625	625	+12.0	651	+24.3	525	525	+0.5	525	+0.5
EUR-15	25-15	625	625	+12.0	651	+24.3	525	525	+0.5	525	+0.5
EUR-14	25-14	625	625	+12.0	651	+24.3	525	525	+0.5	525	+0.5
EUR-13	25-13	625	625	+12.0	651	+24.3	525	525	+0.5	525	+0.5
EUR-12	25-12	625	625	+12.0	651	+24.3	525	525	+0.5	525	+0.5
Average											
US-26	15-26	595	568	+14.8	568	+18.8	418	426	+2.0	426	+0.0
US-25	15-25	530	675	+6.7	674	+6.7	474	462	+2.7	462	+4.7
US-24	15-24	605	694	+14.5	710	+17.3	417	417	+0.0	417	+0.0
US-23	15-23	645	738	+14.8	742	+15.1	425	425	+0.0	425	+0.0
Average											
Grand Average											
			14.8		12.9		4.0		4.0		4.7

Based on observed values as reference.

Note: Form Form: $P = 2 \cdot C_{22} P_0 C_{16} (\frac{E}{E_{22}})^{0.254} \cdot 0.492$

Form Form: $P = 5.27 \cdot \frac{P_0}{C_{22}} \cdot \frac{C_{16}}{C_{492}}$

"error" than has been experienced heretofore when applied to A-flute board.

It may be seen that even in spite of the greater than normal disparity exhibited by the A-flute box results, edgewise compression and flexural stiffness of the combined board (together with load perimeter) permit a far more accurate prediction of box compression than can be obtained with bursting strength.

Comparison of the flat crush results in Tables XVI and XVII, respectively, for 50 and 65% R.H., reveals that, with the possible exception of the results at the 25.6, 26.0-lb. grade weight level, there appears to be no significant difference in the flat crush of combined boards made with European and domestic linerboards fabricated with the same corrugating mediums. At the 25.6, 26.0-lb grade weight level, the combined boards made with U.S. linerboard generally exhibit higher flat crush than the corresponding combined boards made with European linerboard. These differences are considered fortuitous inasmuch as the linerboard should have no effect on flat crush. For ready comparison, the composite average differences in flat crush have been tabulated as follows:

U.S. Nominal Grade Weight, lb	Composite Average Differences in Flat Crush, % ^a			
	50% R.H. E.G.	S.C.	65% R.H. E.G.	S.C.
26.0	-7.6	-3.2	-5.8	-7.0
33.0	+0.2	+0.2	+2.0	+2.7
38.0	+1.2	-0.7	-4.2	-1.2
42.0	-0.5	-1.2	+0.9	+0.7

^aCombined board made with U.S. linerboard used as reference.

It may be noted from a comparison of the pin adhesion results, tabulated in Tables XVI and XVII, respectively, for 50 and 65% R.H., that with few

exceptions the adhesion strength is higher on combined boards made with U.S. linerboards than on the corresponding combined boards made with European linerboards. For ready comparison, the composite average differences in pin adhesion follow and are graphically illustrated in Fig. 13.

U.S. Nominal Grade Weight, lb.	Composite Average Difference in Pin Adhesion, % ^a			
	50% R.H.		65% R.H.	
	E.G.	S.C.	E.G.	S.C.
26.0	-19.0	-15.5	-9.3	-20.4
33.0	-22.8	-5.3	-15.1	-15.1
38.0	-12.5	-6.3	-4.3	-6.5
42.0	-5.7	0.0	-15.7	-3.9

^aCombined board made with U.S. linerboard used as reference

It may be seen that the greatest differences occur at the two lowest linerboard grade weight levels. It is believed that the poorer adhesion strength associated with the European combined boards is due to a large extent to the fact that they are less porous.

Comparisons of the Physical Properties of U.S. and European Linerboard

It was noted earlier that during the corrugating of the fifty-two different combinations, samples or test strips from across the full width of each component roll were taken at the "start" and "end" of each material combination run on the corrugator. The "start" and "end" samples of each component for each material combination were evaluated separately and the results compared to characterize the quality of each component (single-face liner, double-face liner, and corrugating medium) used in each material combination. The results obtained on the samples of linerboard (segregated as to single- and

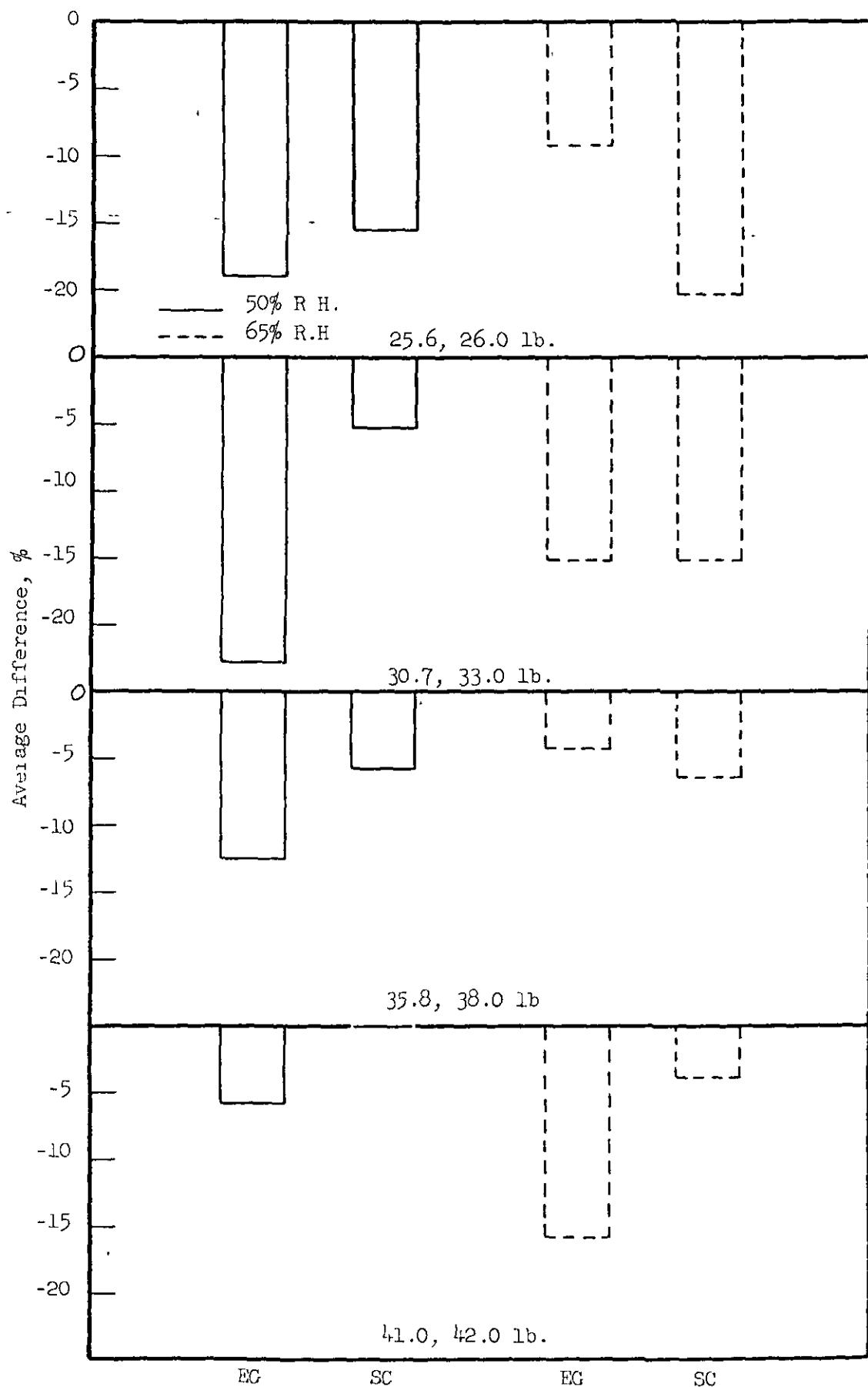


Figure 13. Effect of Type of Linerboard on Combined Board Pin

double-face liner) used in the fabrication of the A-flute combined board and boxes are tabulated in Tables XXI and XXII, respectively, for 50 and 65% R.H. The corresponding results for the components used in the fabrication of the B-flute combined board and boxes are tabulated in Tables XXIII and XXIV, respectively, for 50 and 65% R.H. The averages tabulated in Tables XXI through XXIV for a given material have been combined to give an over-all assessment of the physical characteristics of the twelve linerboards used in this study. The over-all averages for the linerboards are tabulated in Tables XXV through XXXII for the 50 and 65% R.H. The per cent differences in physical properties are summarized for each linerboard grade weight in Tables XXXIII and XXXIV for 50 and 65% R.H., respectively. For purpose of comparison, the per cent differences in linerboard basis weight at the four grade weight levels follow and are graphically illustrated in Fig. 14:

Nominal Wt., lb./ sq. ft.	U.S. Liner- board Weight, lb./M sq.ft.	Linerboard Basis Weight Difference, % ^a		65% R.H.			
		50% R.H.	E.G.	S.C.	U.S. Liner- board Weight, lb./M sq.ft.	E.G.	S.C.
25.0	28.0	-5.4	-4.6		28.2	-2.8	-4.3
30.0	35.0	-9.1	-11.4		35.7	-9.2	-11.3
35.0	39.4	-5.1	-7.6		40.0	-4.8	-6.2
40.0	42.8	-2.8	-7.5		43.7	-3.0	-8.5

^aU.S. Linerboard results used as reference.

As pointed out previously, the U.S. linerboards are 3 to 11% higher in weight than their European counterparts. The greatest disparity is at the 30.7, 35.0-lb. grade weight level and least at the 25.6, 26.0-lb. grade weight level. In general, the Svenska Cellulosa linerboards were lowest in weight.

TABLE XVI

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF LINERS USED IN FABRICATING A-FILM BOARD
(50% Relative Humidity)

Run	Grade	Posi- tion	Weight, lb./m. sq ft	Caliper, pt.	App. Deni- city	Bursting Strength, psi			Flinnsdorf Tear, g./sheet		Torsion Tear, in.-o"		Puncture, units		Modified Ring Compre- sion, lb/in.			
						Max	Min	Ave	In Cross	Ave	In Cross	Ave	In Cross	Ave	In Cross	Ave	In Cross	Tuber Stiffness, kg-cm
A1, 2	EO-25 6	SF	26.4	1.8	3.4	115	86	100	169	208	188	45	48	46	18	18	18	16.1 11.3 19 8
		DF	26.4	7.2	3.3	119	82	102	164	200	182	44	49	46	18	18	18	16.1 11.4 20 8
		Av	26.4	1.8	3.4	117	84	101	166	204	185	44	48	46	18	18	18	16.1 11.4 20 8
A3, 4	US-26	SF	27.8	9.7	2.8	83	53	72	198	748	223	49	56	52	19	20	20	15.6 11.2 26 9
		DF	28.1	9.6	3.0	83	61	74	107	253	230	49	57	53	20	20	20	15.8 11.4 25 9
		Av	28.0	9.6	2.9	83	60	73	202	250	226	49	56	52	20	20	20	15.7 11.3 26 9
A5, 6	SC-25 6	SF	26.7	7.8	3.4	124	68	106	150	180	165	45	52	48	15	16	16	16.6 11.5 22 8
		DF	26.4	7.8	3.4	122	97	110	140	192	165	44	51	48	16	16	16	17.8 12.0 21 8
		Av	26.6	7.8	3.4	123	82	108	145	186	165	44	52	48	16	16	16	17.2 11.8 22 8
A7, 8	EO-30 7	SF	31.8	8.8	3.6	142	88	122	185	254	219	49	56	52	20	22	22	21.3 15.0 38 12
		DF	31.8	8.7	3.6	145	101	124	206	250	228	49	55	52	22	21	21	21.8 15.2 39 14
		Av	31.8	8.8	3.6	144	98	123	196	252	224	49	56	52	21	22	22	21.6 15.2 38 13
A9, 10	US-33	SF	35.0	9.8	3.6	117	95	108	237	507	272	60	72	66	24	24	24	23.7 15.9 41 14
		DF	35.0	9.8	3.6	120	90	105	240	508	274	61	74	68	24	25	24	23.7 16.3 40 14
		Av	35.0	9.8	3.6	118	92	106	238	508	273	60	73	67	24	24	24	23.7 16.1 40 14
A11, 12	SC-30 7	SF	31.2	9.8	3.2	140	88	114	212	232	222	54	51	52	20	22	20	19.8 14.2 44 14
		DF	30.4	9.6	3.2	143	83	111	206	236	221	55	52	53	20	20	20	19.6 14.0 40 14
		Av	30.8	9.7	3.2	142	86	112	209	234	222	54	52	52	20	21	20	19.7 14.1 42 14
A13, 14	EO-35 8	SF	37.2	10.0	3.7	162	100	130	248	302	276	52	60	56	25	26	26	25.3 17.2 55 10
		DF	37.4	10.1	3.7	172	102	142	249	304	276	48	51	53	26	26	26	24.4 18.0 54 11
		Av	37.3	10.0	3.7	167	101	136	248	303	276	50	58	54	26	26	26	24.8 17.6 54 11
A15, 16	US-38	SF	39.5	11.0	3.6	115	85	98	266	344	306	72	84	77	28	28	28	24.4 15.9 55 16
		DF	39.0	11.2	3.4	117	85	96	274	334	304	69	81	75	28	28	28	23.2 15.2 53 16
		Av	39.2	11.1	3.5	116	84	97	270	339	305	70	82	76	28	28	28	23.8 15.6 53 16
A17, 18	SC-35 8	SF	35.6	10.0	3.6	151	110	134	238	295	266	60	58	59	24	24	24	23.4 16.4 90 19
		DF	37.4	9.8	3.8	169	117	140	253	285	269	66	70	68	26	26	26	23.8 16.8 48 19
		Av	36.5	9.9	3.7	160	114	131	246	290	268	63	64	64	25	25	25	23.1 16.6 49 19
A19, 20	EO-41	SF	41.9	11.1	3.6	196	109	146	291	353	322	58	70	64	30	32	32	23.4 14.0 80 10
		DF	41.4	11.4	3.6	174	117	148	282	355	318	59	74	66	31	32	32	22.4 16.6 75 10
		Av	41.6	11.6	3.6	185	113	147	286	354	320	58	72	65	30	32	32	22.9 16.8 78 10
A23, 24A	US-42	SF	42.6	12.0	3.6	136	102	116	286	366	321	65	82	74	52	53	52	19.8 15.8 61 10
		DF	42.8	12.0	3.6	135	100	116	215	358	326	72	87	83	52	52	52	19.0 15.3 61 10
		Av	42.7	12.0	3.6	136	101	116	292	362	326	68	84	77	52	52	52	19.4 15.6 61 10
A21, 22	SC-41	SF	39.9	12.0	3.5	182	90	133	258	308	283	62	63	66	26	28	28	20.4 15.8 81 13
		DF	39.7	12.1	3.2	191	121	144	270	319	294	64	67	66	27	28	28	21.1 16.4 81 13
		Av	39.8	12.0	3.2	186	106	138	264	314	288	63	68	66	28	28	28	20.8 16.1 82 13
A24B	US-38	SF	39.4	11.0	3.6	118	84	103	268	364	306	71	82	76	28	28	28	22.8 12.6 52 11
		DF	39.4	11.4	3.4	117	85	100	266	342	304	69	82	76	28	28	28	24.0 12.4 54 11
		Av	39.4	11.2	3.5	118	84	102	267	343	305	70	82	76	28	28	28	23.4 12.5 53 11
A24C	US-35	SF	35.2	9.8	3.6	117	95	106	236	310	273	64	74	68	24	25	24	24.2 10.2 61 10
		DF	35.1	9.8	3.6	114	84	103	228	310	270	62	74	68	24	25	24	23.2 10.1 60 10
		Av	35.2	9.8	3.6	116	90	104	232	310	272	63	74	68	24	25	24	23.7 10.3 61 10
A24D	US-26	SF	27.8	9.8	2.8	82	57	72	198	250	224	48	56	52	19	20	20	15.6 11.1 76 10
		DF	28.0	9.6	2.9	83	65	74	202	254	228	50	56	54	19	19	19	15.8 11.7 75 10
		Av	27.9	9.7	2.8	82	61	73	200	252	226	49	56	53	19	20	20	15.7 11.3 76 10

TABLE XXI (Continued)

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF LINERS USED IN FABRICATING A-FLUTE BOARD
(50% Relative Humidity)

Runs	Grade	Position	Tensile, lb./in.		Modulus of Elasticity, p.s.i. $\times 10^3$	TEA, in.-lb./ sq. in.	IPC Bond Strength, kp.-cm./sec.		Poros- ity, sec./ 100 cc.	Bend- ten- sion Smooth- ness	Cobb Size, g./sq. m.				
			In Cross	In Cross			In Cross	In Cross							
A1, 2	EG-25.6	SF	78.6	30.8	2.0	4.5	975	378	.96	1.00	2.74	2.91	25	712	37.8
		DF	79.6	30.6	1.9	4.5	992	365	.96	1.00	3.61	2.19	23	783	38.3
		Av.	79.1	30.7	2.0	4.5	984	372	.96	1.00	3.18	2.55	24	748	38.0
A3, 4	US-26	SF	57.2	22.0	1.8	3.2	658	264	.70	.55	3.64	2.66	12	1010	38.8
		DF	57.0	22.3	2.0	2.9	635	283	.72	.50	4.74	2.42	14	1030	37.9
		Av.	57.1	22.2	1.9	3.0	646	274	.71	.52	4.19	2.54	13	1020	38.4
A5, 6	SC-25.6	SF	91.4	26.4	2.2	5.0	1070	324	1.26	1.00	3.90	2.78	40	762	38.2
		DF	89.6	26.6	2.2	4.8	1006	332	1.22	.96	5.18	1.94	42	794	37.2
		Av.	90.5	26.5	2.2	4.9	1038	328	1.24	.98	4.54	2.36	41	778	37.7
A7, 8	EG-30.7	SF	106.8	37.1	2.0	4.2	1156	418	1.32	1.14	3.28	2.36	142	1020	44.3
		DF	106.6	38.2	2.0	4.2	1240	456	1.34	1.18	5.04	2.53	137	930	43.0
		Av.	106.7	37.6	2.0	4.2	1188	437	1.33	1.16	4.16	2.44	140	975	43.6
A9, 10	US-33	SF	86.8	30.0	2.2	3.6	889	354	1.24	.84	3.84	2.36	37	468	35.4
		DF	85.8	30.8	2.2	3.7	857	364	1.24	.87	4.88	1.96	38	450	36.2
		Av.	86.3	30.4	2.2	3.6	873	359	1.24	.86	4.36	2.16	38	449	35.8
A11, 12	SC-30.7	SF	99.6	39.4	1.8	5.1	912	348	1.20	1.44	5.04	2.96	28	810	38.8
		DF	96.7	38.6	2.0	5.0	877	348	1.22	1.40	7.97	2.98	24	912	38.4
		Av.	98.2	39.0	1.9	5.0	894	348	1.21	1.42	6.50	2.97	26	861	38.6
A13, 14	EG-35.8	SF	114.3	46.0	1.8	3.6	1126	460	1.32	1.20	3.06	2.54	162	1150	36.4
		DF	117.4	48.6	1.8	3.2	1100	483	1.35	1.10	4.76	1.96	113	784	35.8
		Av.	115.8	47.3	1.8	3.4	1113	472	1.34	1.15	3.91	2.25	138	967	36.1
A15, 16	US-38	SF	86.9	29.2	2.0	4.4	792	282	1.18	1.00	3.40	1.86	29	543	35.8
		DF	85.0	28.9	2.0	4.4	784	281	1.10	1.00	3.34	1.54	26	692	38.2
		Av.	86.0	29.0	2.0	4.4	788	282	1.14	1.00	3.37	1.70	28	618	37.0
A17, 18	SC-35.8	SF	107.9	46.4	2.2	5.4	933	378	1.58	1.78	4.13	2.67	51	585	37.6
		DF	113.1	45.6	2.4	5.6	983	381	1.69	1.82	7.03	2.62	82	536	37.2
		Av.	110.5	46.0	2.3	5.5	958	380	1.64	1.80	5.58	2.64	66	460	37.4
A19, 20	EG-41	SF	127.8	50.9	1.8	3.6	1020	446	1.54	1.33	3.43	2.82	119	1130	32.9
		DF	124.4	51.6	1.8	3.2	1048	464	1.50	1.16	4.40	1.66	102	756	32.4
		Av.	126.1	51.2	1.8	3.4	1064	455	1.52	1.24	3.92	2.24	110	943	32.6
A21, 22	US-42	SF	95.2	33.6	2.2	4.0	764	305	1.38	1.02	3.44	2.72	36	638	34.1
		DF	95.8	32.2	2.2	3.5	791	306	1.37	.87	6.22	1.80	32	596	35.2
		Av.	95.5	32.9	2.2	3.8	778	306	1.38	.94	4.83	2.26	39	617	35.7
A23, 24	SC-41	SF	124.7	47.0	2.0	4.7	934	340	1.54	1.60	5.19	3.28	82	1020	38.0
		DF	128.6	46.5	1.9	4.8	954	328	1.58	1.63	5.98	1.94	52	981	37.8
		Av.	126.6	46.8	2.0	4.8	944	334	1.56	1.62	5.58	2.61	67	1000	37.9
A25, 26	US-38	SF	85.8	28.8	2.0	4.2	787	283	1.13	.96	3.83	1.96	28	548	36.4
		DF	85.6	28.8	2.0	4.4	789	274	1.10	.98	4.12	1.76	26	670	38.1
		Av.	85.7	28.8	2.0	4.3	784	278	1.12	.97	3.98	1.86	27	609	37.3
A27	US-33	SF	87.7	30.1	2.2	3.5	889	354	1.27	.84	3.34	3.00	36	460	35.6
		DF	87.2	30.2	2.2	3.6	875	360	1.28	.82	4.04	2.05	39	422	36.0
		Av.	87.4	30.2	2.2	3.5	882	357	1.28	.83	3.69	2.52	38	441	35.8
A28	US-26	SF	58.6	22.2	1.9	3.4	662	270	.74	.58	3.16	2.39	13	991	37.2
		DF	57.8	22.1	2.0	3.1	644	276	.73	.52	5.13	2.52	12	1030	36.5
		Av.	58.2	22.2	2.0	3.2	653	273	.74	.55	4.14	2.36	12	1020	37.8

TABLE XXII
PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF LINERS USED IN FABRICATING A-FLUTE BOARD AT 65% R.H.

R.no.	Liner Grade	Position	Weight, lb./M. sq. ft.	Celliper, pt.	Apparent Density	Bursting Strength, D.S.I.			Elmendorf Tear, In g./sheet	Torsion Tear, in.-oz.			Puncture, unit In Cross Av.	Modified Ring Compression, lb./inch
						Max.	Min.	Ave.		In Cross Av.	In Cross Av.	In Cross Av.		
A1,2	EG-25.6	S.F.	27.1	8.0	5.4	110	76	95	187	232	210	52	58	10.6
		D.F.	28.4	7.9	5.6	107	87	98	187	224	206	51	54	10.8
A3,4	US-26	Av.	27.6	10.0	5.5	108	82	96	187	228	208	52	57	10.7
		S.F.	28.7	9.8	5.8	80	59	70	227	286	256	55	67	10.7
A5,6	SC-25.6	D.F.	28.2	9.9	2.9	81	59	70	230	284	258	60	69	11.0
		Av.	27.0	8.0	5.4	125	95	106	228	285	257	58	68	10.8
A7,8	EG-30.8	S.F.	32.5	8.9	3.7	145	100	125	214	284	249	54	70	11.1
		D.F.	32.2	8.9	3.6	146	95	122	236	283	260	56	66	11.5
A9,10	US-35	S.F.	35.6	10.0	3.6	117	94	103	225	284	254	55	76	14.5
		D.F.	36.0	10.0	3.6	115	88	104	272	344	308	66	85	15.0
A11,12	SC-30.8	Av.	35.8	10.0	3.6	116	91	104	270	348	309	67	86	15.0
		S.F.	31.6	10.0	3.2	144	96	116	264	346	308	66	86	15.0
A13,14	EG-35.9	S.F.	38.2	10.4	3.6	163	102	134	274	342	308	64	62	14.0
		D.F.	38.0	10.4	3.6	169	104	138	301	354	328	62	74	14.0
A15,16	US-38	S.F.	40.2	11.3	3.6	125	86	100	315	368	352	76	85	16.6
		D.F.	39.6	11.6	3.4	120	69	94	302	384	343	77	94	16.6
A17,18	SC-35.9	Av.	39.9	11.4	3.5	122	78	97	308	386	348	76	93	14.7
		S.F.	37.0	10.3	3.6	162	117	136	274	336	305	73	80	14.7
A19,20	EG-41.0	S.F.	38.2	10.0	3.8	125	141	141	295	314	304	80	85	16.2
		D.F.	37.6	10.2	3.7	165	121	138	284	325	304	76	83	16.2
A21,22	SC-41.0	S.F.	42.6	11.8	3.6	175	112	146	339	386	362	72	82	17.6
		D.F.	42.2	11.7	3.6	179	115	143	322	386	354	63	76	17.6
A23,24, 24A	US-42	S.F.	42.4	11.8	3.5	177	114	144	330	386	358	70	88	17.6
		D.F.	43.6	12.4	3.5	136	101	115	320	394	357	79	90	16.2
A25,26	US-38	Av.	43.7	12.4	3.5	128	100	114	324	402	363	82	104	15.9
		S.F.	43.6	12.4	3.5	152	100	114	322	398	360	80	103	15.9
A27,C	US-35	Av.	40.0	12.4	3.2	175	104	139	307	354	331	76	79	20.8
		S.F.	40.6	12.4	3.2	177	106	143	300	351	326	76	82	20.8
A27,D	US-26	Av.	40.3	12.4	3.2	172	105	141	304	352	328	76	80	21.3
		S.F.	40.2	11.5	3.5	125	99	105	308	388	348	74	92	21.0
A27,E	US-26	D.F.	40.0	11.7	3.4	115	69	94	299	385	342	77	94	21.0
		Av.	40.1	11.6	3.4	120	72	96	304	386	345	76	93	21.0
A27,F	US-26	S.F.	35.9	10.0	5.6	113	94	104	264	348	306	86	76	14.6
		D.F.	36.0	10.0	5.6	115	95	106	274	348	311	64	86	15.1
A27,G	US-26	Av.	36.0	10.0	5.6	114	94	105	269	348	308	65	66	14.9
		S.F.	28.2	10.0	2.3	38	59	79	217	278	248	54	68	14.9
A27,H	US-26	D.F.	28.5	9.8	2.3	39	59	79	228	279	253	56	63	15.5
		Av.	23.4	9.9	2.3	38	59	79	222	278	250	55	67	15.6

TABLE XII (Continued)
PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF LINERS USED IN FABRICATING A-FLOTE BOARD AT 65% R.H.

Runs	Liner Grade	Position	Taber Stiffness, $\frac{\text{kg.-cm.}}{\text{In.}}$	Tensile, $\frac{\text{lb./in.}}{\text{In. Cross}}$	Modulus of Elasticity, $\frac{\text{kg.-cm.}}{\text{In. Cross}}$	T.E.A., in.-lb./sq. in. Gross	IPC Bonding Strength, $\frac{\text{kg.-cm.}}{\text{In. Cross}}$	Cobb Size, g./sq. m.	Bendtsen Smoothness, ml./dl.	
A1,2	EJ-25.6	S.F.	19	7	75.6	29.4	2.0	4.8	888	533
	D.F.	19	-	7	76.3	29.8	2.1	5.0	951	540
	Av.	19	-	7	75.0	29.6	2.0	4.9	920	536
A3,4	US-26	S.F.	25	9	51.8	20.8	2.0	4.2	588	336
	D.F.	24	10	52.4	21.0	2.1	5.6	589	251	
	Av.	24	10	52.1	20.9	2.0	3.9	588	242	
A5,6	SC-25.6	S.F.	22	8	88.5	24.8	2.4	5.6	968	282
	D.F.	22	6	85.8	25.4	2.4	5.6	938	221	
	Av.	22	7	37.0	25.1	2.4	5.6	953	286	
A7,8	EJ-30.8	S.F.	40	12	38.5	36.4	2.0	4.8	1070	374
	D.F.	36	15	100.4	36.2	2.2	4.8	1078	379	
	Av.	38	22	29.4	36.3	2.1	4.8	1074	376	
A9,10	US-35	S.F.	38	14	82.1	31.8	2.4	4.4	815	318
	D.F.	39	16	31.8	26.1	2.4	4.0	822	322	
	Av.	38	15	81.8	28.2	2.4	4.2	818	320	
A11,12	SC-30.8	S.F.	45	13	93.4	36.4	2.0	5.4	870	303
	D.F.	40	13	90.3	38.2	2.0	5.0	862	312	
	Av.	42	13	91.8	37.3	2.0	5.7	866	308	
A13,14	EJ-35.9	S.F.	56	19	106.6	44.4	2.0	4.1	1040	406
	D.F.	53	22	109.1	45.5	2.0	3.5	1050	424	
	Av.	54	20	107.8	45.0	2.0	3.8	1035	415	
A15,16	US-38	S.F.	53	16	32.4	27.4	2.2	5.0	754	254
	D.F.	52	16	76.8	26.4	2.2	5.2	691	233	
	Av.	52	16	79.6	26.9	2.2	5.1	718	244	
A17,18	SC-35.9	S.F.	49	18	101.4	43.9	2.5	5.8	869	335
	D.F.	48	16	106.4	45.8	2.4	6.4	930	337	
	Av.	48	17	103.9	43.8	2.4	6.1	900	336	
A19,20	EJ-41.0	S.F.	88	29	126.8	49.0	2.0	4.0	997	394
	D.F.	79	30	115.8	47.4	2.0	3.4	986	420	
	Av.	84	30	115.3	48.2	2.0	3.4	992	402	
A21,22	US-42	S.F.	68	23	39.8	31.4	2.4	4.2	404	447
	D.F.	67	24	39.3	31.2	2.4	4.2	720	269	
	Av.	68	24	89.6	31.3	2.4	4.2	721	276	
	S.F.	84	26	114.6	43.6	2.2	5.0	828	272	
	D.F.	87	26	122.2	43.0	2.2	5.4	913	299	
	Av.	86	26	118.4	43.5	2.2	5.2	870	292	
A24B	US-38	S.F.	53	16	79.0	27.1	2.2	5.1	710	242
	D.F.	52	16	77.6	27.0	2.2	5.2	684	240	
	Av.	52	16	81.4	27.0	2.2	5.2	697	241	
A24C	US-33	S.F.	39	24	81.4	28.4	2.4	4.4	807	314
	D.F.	39	16	80.2	28.0	2.4	4.2	802	322	
	Av.	39	15	80.3	28.2	2.4	4.8	814	318	
A24D	US-26	S.F.	26	10	52.2	20.6	2.0	4.0	591	236
	D.F.	23	9	52.4	20.6	2.1	3.8	240	0.75	
	Av.	24	10	52.3	20.6	2.0	3.9	592	338	

TABLE XIII
PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF LINERS USED IN FABRICATING B-FLUTE BOARD
(50% Relative Humidity)

Runs	Liner Grade	Position	Weight, lb./A. sq. ft.	Cali-Per., Dan. pt.	App. p.s.i.g.	Bursting Strength, E./sheet	Dimensions, Tear, in.-oz.	Torsion Test, in.-oz.	Puncture, unit	Modified Ring Compression, lb./in.		
										Max.	Min.	Avg.
B1, 2	EG-25.6	SF	26.6	7.8	3.4	112	86	99	167	206	186	48
		DF	26.6	7.9	3.4	119	87	99	165	200	182	46
		Av.	26.6	7.8	3.4	116	86	99	165	203	184	48
B5, 4	US-26.0	SF	27.8	9.6	2.9	85	53	72	199	248	223	46
		DF	28.0	9.6	3.0	82	60	72	204	250	227	46
		Av.	27.9	9.6	3.0	82	56	72	202	249	225	48
B5, 6	SC-25.6	SF	27.0	7.9	3.4	119	68	104	146	179	162	47
		DF	26.6	7.9	3.4	121	81	106	136	192	164	44
		Av.	26.8	7.9	3.4	120	74	105	141	186	163	46
B7, 8	EG-30.7	SF	31.8	8.8	3.6	142	110	126	188	256	222	50
		DF	31.8	8.8	3.6	148	107	124	208	250	230	50
		Av.	31.8	8.8	3.6	108	125	198	253	226	200	50
B9, 10	US-33.0	SF	35.0	9.8	3.6	117	95	104	240	308	274	59
		DF	35.1	9.9	3.6	120	89	105	246	308	275	59
		Av.	35.0	9.8	3.6	118	92	104	243	308	275	59
B11,	SC-30.7	SF	31.6	9.8	3.2	158	88	112	216	256	226	54
		DF	30.8	9.6	3.2	143	83	110	217	248	232	58
		Av.	31.2	9.7	3.2	140	86	111	216	242	229	56
B13,	EG-35.8	SF	37.4	10.0	3.8	163	100	134	246	304	276	50
		DF	37.4	10.0	3.7	170	91	136	243	310	276	52
		Av.	37.4	10.0	3.8	166	96	135	244	307	276	51
B15,	US-38.0	SF	39.8	11.2	3.6	109	83	98	279	352	316	69
		DF	39.4	11.1	3.6	122	86	98	282	346	314	74
		Av.	39.6	11.2	3.6	116	84	98	280	349	315	72
B17,	SC-35.8	SF	35.7	10.0	3.6	163	110	132	238	298	268	60
		DF	37.2	9.8	3.8	157	99	135	252	286	269	69
		Av.	36.4	9.9	3.7	160	104	134	245	292	268	64
B19,	US-41.0	SF	41.9	11.6	3.6	172	105	144	287	345	316	60
		DF	41.4	11.4	3.6	174	105	144	296	360	328	59
		Av.	41.6	11.5	3.6	173	105	144	292	352	322	60
B23,	US-42.0	SF	42.8	12.2	3.5	129	99	114	234	356	330	68
		DF	43.0	12.2	3.5	132	95	114	291	366	328	78
		Av.	42.9	12.2	3.5	130	97	114	292	366	329	73
B21,	SC-41.0	SF	39.7	12.0	3.3	179	90	132	261	308	284	59
		DF	39.8	12.1	3.3	186	108	139	268	317	292	64
		Av.	39.6	12.0	3.3	182	99	136	264	312	288	64

Runs	Liner Grade	Posi-tion	Taber Stiffness, E.-cm.	Tensile, lb./in. In Cross	Stretch, % In Cross	Modulus of Elasticity, p.s.i. $\times 10^3$			TEA, in.-lb./sq. in. In Cross	IPC Bond Strength, kp/cm. ² /sec. In Cross	Porosity, sec./100 cc.	Bend-sen-Smooth-ness	Cobb Size, g./sq. m.
						In	Cross	In					
B1, 2	BG-25.6	SF	20	7	19.4	50.4	1.9	4.4	968	361	0.94	1.00	3.18
		DF	20	7	80.8	30.8	1.8	4.6	1020	358	0.95	1.02	3.74
		Av.	20	7	80.1	30.6	1.8	4.5	994	360	0.94	1.01	3.46
B3, 4	US-26.0	SF	26	10	57.0	21.7	1.8	3.5	654	257	0.70	0.55	4.02
		DF	26	10	56.9	22.6	1.9	3.0	642	280	0.72	0.52	4.97
		Av.	26	10	57.0	22.2	1.8	3.2	648	268	0.71	0.54	4.50
B5, 5	SC-25.6	SF	25	8	91.2	25.7	2.2	5.0	1057	307	1.25	0.98	4.42
		DF	22	7	87.2	26.6	2.1	4.8	1027	324	1.15	0.96	6.14
		Av.	22	8	89.2	26.2	2.2	4.9	1042	316	1.20	0.97	5.28
B7, 8	BG-30.7	SF	38	12	107.8	37.1	2.0	4.4	1136	411	1.33	1.19	2.94
		DF	35	14	106.8	39.0	2.0	4.4	1146	424	1.34	1.26	5.60
		Av.	36	13	107.3	38.0	2.0	4.4	1141	418	1.34	1.22	4.27
B9, 10	US-33.0	SF	40	15	87.5	29.4	2.2	3.6	877	344	1.26	0.82	3.88
		DF	40	14	86.3	30.4	2.2	3.8	854	356	1.20	0.87	5.59
		Av.	40	14	86.9	29.9	2.2	3.7	866	350	1.23	0.84	4.74
B11, 12	SC-30.7	SF	46	15	98.4	39.0	1.8	5.1	928	338	1.12	1.42	4.82
		DF	40	16	97.0	39.6	2.0	5.2	872	350	1.20	1.46	9.76
		Av.	43	14	97.7	39.3	1.9	5.2	900	344	1.16	1.44	7.29
B13, 14	BG-35.8	SF	50	20	116.4	46.2	1.8	3.6	1111	455	1.37	1.23	3.92
		DF	54	22	119.8	47.9	1.8	3.2	1116	482	1.37	1.07	4.42
		Av.	52	21	117.8	47.0	1.8	3.4	1114	468	1.37	1.15	4.17
B15, 16	US-38.0	SF	54	16	86.4	28.6	2.0	4.2	769	274	1.16	0.95	2.56
		DF	52	16	85.4	29.0	2.0	4.6	784	278	1.13	1.04	3.64
		Av.	53	16	85.9	28.8	2.0	4.4	776	276	1.14	1.00	3.10
B17, 18	SC-35.8	SF	49	18	109.1	46.6	2.2	5.5	948	378	1.60	1.80	4.10
		DF	47	16	113.8	44.7	2.4	5.4	975	376	1.72	1.72	6.78
		Av.	48	17	111.4	45.6	2.3	5.4	962	377	1.66	1.76	5.44
B19, 20	BG-41.0	SF	79	28	125.2	49.5	1.8	3.5	1052	444	1.52	1.26	3.40
		DF	76	32	124.2	50.9	1.8	3.2	1058	460	1.48	1.14	5.93
		Av.	78	30	124.7	50.2	1.8	3.4	1055	452	1.50	1.20	4.66
B23, 24	US-42.0	SF	68	25	94.8	33.4	2.2	4.0	760	294	1.36	1.03	3.16
		DF	68	24	95.2	32.4	2.1	3.6	769	296	1.30	0.90	6.19
		Av.	68	24	95.0	32.9	2.2	3.8	769	295	1.33	0.96	4.68
B21, 22	SC-41.0	SF	88	27	125.8	46.2	2.0	4.6	931	328	1.56	1.56	4.41
		DF	85	26	126.4	45.9	1.9	4.7	954	328	1.54	1.56	7.85
		Av.	87	26	126.1	46.0	2.0	4.6	942	328	1.54	1.56	6.13

TABLE XIV
PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF LINERS USED IN FABRICATING B-FILTE BOARD AT 65% R.H.

No.	Liner Grade	Position	Weight, lb./ft. ²	Caliper, pt.	Apparent Density	Bursting Strength, lb./run		Elongated Tear, lb./sheet		Torsion Tear, lb.-oz.		Puncture, unit in cross sec.		Compressive load, lb./in. cross		Shirtness, g./sq. in.				
						No.	s.1	In Cross	Av.	In Cross	Av.	In Cross	Av.	In Cross	Av.	In Cross	Av.			
21-2	SC-25.6	S.F.	27.2	6.0	3.4	110	87	190	230	52	58	54	19	19	15.5	10.4	20	7		
	D.F.	27.0	7.8	3.4	105	98	188	226	52	56	54	19	19	16.6	10.8	20	6			
	Av.	27.1	7.9	3.4	108	97	189	228	52	57	54	18	18	16.0	10.6	20	9			
25-4	SC-25	S.F.	27.7	10.0	2.8	80	62	225	286	54	66	60	21	21	15.4	10.7	25	10		
	D.F.	28.6	9.9	2.9	81	59	70	231	50	68	64	21	21	15.5	10.8	25	10			
	Av.	28.2	10.0	2.8	80	60	71	228	283	52	66	62	21	21	15.4	10.8	25	8		
25-6	SC-25.5	S.F.	27.2	8.0	3.4	125	95	106	166	204	185	54	16	16	16.7	11.0	23	7		
	D.F.	27.0	8.1	3.4	130	92	108	156	212	184	50	62	57	16	16	16.6	10.8	23	7	
	Av.	27.1	8.0	3.4	128	94	107	161	208	184	52	62	57	16	16	16.7	11.0	23	7	
27-5	SC-30.8	S.F.	32.5	6.9	3.7	110	108	215	279	247	253	69	22	22	22	21.6	15.6	42	12	
	D.F.	32.2	6.8	3.6	114	93	117	222	240	264	56	62	62	22	22	21.6	14.6	38	13	
	Av.	32.4	6.8	3.6	110	93	124	228	284	256	54	68	77	25	25	22.3	15.0	38	14	
29-20	US-35	S.F.	35.5	10.0	3.6	115	87	101	272	358	302	70	34	35	25	25	23.5	14.6	40	14
	D.F.	35.7	10.0	3.6	115	90	103	269	357	305	68	84	76	25	25	23.0	14.8	39	14	
	Av.	35.6	10.0	3.6	118	90	117	260	280	270	64	62	62	22	22	20.6	14.6	46	13	
B11-12	SC-30.8	S.F.	32.1	10.0	3.2	145	98	117	240	265	254	64	62	64	21	20	19.7	14.0	40	14
	D.F.	31.2	9.8	3.2	144	98	117	250	273	262	64	62	63	22	22	20.2	14.1	45	14	
	Av.	31.6	9.9	3.2	145	98	117	250	273	262	64	62	63	22	22	20.2	14.1	45	14	
31-1	DC-35.9	S.F.	38.1	10.4	3.7	157	102	153	281	342	311	64	76	78	28	28	24.6	16.2	51	22
	D.F.	38.1	10.2	3.8	162	103	154	284	348	316	63	74	85	28	28	24.9	16.7	51	21	
	Av.	38.1	10.3	3.6	114	86	99	306	385	348	78	94	86	30	30	24.0	14.7	52	21	
31-2	US-35	S.F.	39.3	11.2	3.6	120	72	72	306	391	349	78	94	86	30	32	23.1	14.5	52	21
	D.F.	39.2	11.4	3.6	117	79	98	308	368	348	78	94	86	30	31	23.6	14.6	52	21	
	Av.	40.1	11.3	3.6	127	109	133	268	334	301	78	77	24	25	25	24.6	14.9	49	18	
31-T	SC-35.9	S.F.	37.0	10.2	3.6	157	102	153	281	342	311	64	76	78	26	26	22.8	16.2	48	17
	D.F.	37.4	10.2	3.7	162	114	156	279	324	314	70	77	80	25	26	22.6	16.1	48	17	
	Av.	37.4	10.2	3.7	162	114	156	279	324	314	70	77	80	25	26	22.6	16.1	48	17	
31-2	SC-41.0	S.F.	42.8	11.8	3.6	175	119	144	316	382	332	67	84	72	34	34	22.5	17.4	51	29
	D.F.	42.2	11.8	3.6	176	106	143	319	382	332	70	87	78	32	32	22.4	17.5	51	29	
	Av.	42.5	11.8	3.6	176	112	129	324	384	332	74	94	94	32	32	22.4	17.5	51	29	
32-2	US-42	S.F.	43.5	12.5	3.5	128	92	111	332	410	370	83	104	94	34	34	20.5	15.6	68	24
	D.F.	43.9	12.5	3.5	130	95	112	330	404	367	83	104	94	34	34	20.6	15.7	68	24	
	Av.	43.8	12.5	3.5	127	104	113	326	388	348	80	104	80	30	30	20.6	15.7	68	24	
32-1	SC-41.0	S.F.	49.6	12.4	3.2	161	106	140	302	326	349	74	81	78	30	30	21.4	16.0	90	25
	D.F.	49.3	12.4	3.2	162	105	142	302	326	349	76	81	79	30	30	21.0	16.2	90	25	
	Av.	49.3	12.4	3.2	169	105	142	302	326	349	76	81	79	30	30	21.0	16.2	90	25	

TABLE XIV (Continued)

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF LIFERS USED IN FABRICATING B-FLUTE BOARD AT 65% R.H.

Runs	Grade	Position	Tensile, lb./in.		Modulus of Elasticity, $\times 10^3$	T.E.A., in. 1b./sq. in.	IPC Bonding Strength, kp.-cm./sec.	Porosity, sec./100 cc.	Bendtsen Smoothness, ml./min.	Cobb Size, g./sq. m.
			In	Cross						
B1,2	EG-25.6	S.F.	75.2	29.8	2.0	5.0	922	324	1.05	1.72
		D.F.	76.6	29.6	2.0	5.1	968	336	1.06	1.64
B3,4	US-26	S.F.	75.9	30.1	2.0	5.0	945	330	1.04	1.79
		D.F.	54.9	20.5	2.1	3.9	600	224	0.76	1.86
B5,6	SC-25.6	S.F.	52.0	20.8	2.1	3.5	533	248	0.61	1.98
		D.F.	53.4	20.6	2.1	3.7	592	236	0.73	1.88
B7,8	EG-30.8	S.F.	88.4	25.2	2.3	5.8	966	276	1.28	1.94
		D.F.	88.3	25.8	2.4	5.6	958	290	1.34	1.93
B9,10	US-35	S.F.	88.6	25.5	2.4	5.7	953	285	1.31	1.95
		D.F.	99.3	36.4	2.0	4.8	1070	366	1.29	1.24
B11,12	SC-30.8	S.F.	90.7	36.3	2.0	4.7	1102	385	1.30	1.22
		D.F.	81.8	28.3	2.3	4.8	1086	376	1.50	1.25
B13	EG-35.9	S.F.	93.6	37.6	2.0	5.6	81.2	314	1.24	0.91
		D.F.	86.6	38.6	2.0	5.8	87.6	311	1.29	0.92
B14	EG-35.9	S.F.	90.1	37.9	2.0	5.7	85.4	320	1.26	0.92
		D.F.	110.0	44.4	2.0	4.0	1054	297	1.16	1.49
B15,16	US-38	S.F.	109.6	44.6	2.0	3.4	1055	430	1.38	1.08
B17,18	SC-35.9	S.F.	82.2	27.7	2.2	3.7	1054	415	1.37	1.16
B19	EG-41.0	S.F.	80.2	26.8	2.2	5.0	766	252	1.19	1.06
B20	EG-41.0	D.F.	81.2	27.2	2.2	5.2	715	245	1.21	1.06
B21,22	US-42	S.F.	101.2	43.8	2.5	5.6	740	248	1.20	1.06
		D.F.	103.0	44.0	2.4	6.4	889	348	1.62	1.73
B23	EG-42.0	S.F.	102.1	43.9	2.4	6.0	907	332	1.60	1.92
		D.F.	113.9	48.2	2.0	4.1	1007	340	1.61	1.82
B24	US-42	S.F.	115.8	47.8	2.0	3.6	982	412	1.47	1.41
B25	SC-41.0	S.F.	90.8	31.6	2.4	3.8	994	404	1.44	1.19
		D.F.	87.9	30.8	2.3	4.2	758	264	1.46	1.30
B26	SC-41.0	S.F.	89.4	31.2	2.4	4.2	727	267	1.32	1.00
		D.F.	113.0	41.9	2.0	4.6	838	292	1.36	1.01
B27	EG-41.0	S.F.	113.9	42.8	2.0	5.3	904	286	1.41	1.42
		D.F.	116.0	42.4	2.0	5.0	871	289	1.48	1.51

TABLE XXV
COMPARISON OF PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF EUROPEAN AND DOMESTIC LINERBOARDS AT 50% R.H.
(25.6-26.0-lb.)

Test Property ^b	US	EG	Diff.,	US	EG-	Diff.,	US	EG-	Diff.,	SC	Diff.,
	Liner	Liner	%	Liner	Liner	%	Liner	Liner	%	Liner	%
Unit Weight Basis											
Basis weight, lb./M sq. ft.	28.0	26.5	- 5.4	26.7	- 4.6	--	--	--	--	--	--
Caliper, pt.	9.6	7.8	- 18.8	7.8	- 18.8	--	--	--	--	--	--
Apparent density	3.0	3.4	+ 13.3	3.4	+ 13.3	--	--	--	--	--	--
Bursting strength, p.s.i.g.	72	100	+ 38.9	106	+ 47.2	2.57	3.77	+ 46.7	3.97	+ 54.5	
Elmendorf tear, g./sheet	In	202	106	- 17.8	143	- 29.2	7.21	6.26	- 13.2	5.36	- 25.7
	Cross	250	204	- 18.4	186	- 25.6	8.93	7.70	- 13.8	6.97	- 21.9
	Av.	226	184	- 18.6	164	- 27.4					
Torsion tear, in.-oz.	In	50	44	- 12.0	45	- 10.0	1.79	1.66	- 7.3	1.69	- 5.6
	Cross	56	48	- 14.3	52	- 7.1	2.00	1.81	- 9.5	1.95	- 2.5
	Av.	52	46	- 11.5	48	- 7.7					
Puncture, unit	In	20	18	- 10.0	16	- 20.0	0.71	0.68	- 4.2	0.60	- 15.5
	Cross	20	18	- 10.0	16	- 20.0	0.71	0.68	- 4.2	0.60	- 15.5
	Av.	20	18	- 10.0	16	- 20.0					
Modified ring compression, lb./in.	In	16.0	16.1	+ 0.6	17.4	+ 8.8	0.57	0.61	+ 7.0	0.65	+ 14.0
	Cross	11.4	11.3	- 0.9	11.7	+ 2.6	0.41	0.43	+ 4.9	0.44	+ 7.3
Taber stiffness, g.-cm.	In	26	20	- 23.1	22	- 15.4					
	Cross	10	8	- 20.0	8	- 20.0					
Tensile, lb./in.	In	57.0	79.6	+ 39.6	89.8	+ 57.5	2.04	3.00	+ 47.1	3.36	+ 64.1
	Cross	22.2	30.6	+ 37.8	26.4	+ 18.9	0.79	1.15	+ 45.6	0.99	+ 25.3
Stretch, %	In	1.8	1.9	+ 5.6	2.2	+ 22.2					
	Cross	5.1	4.5	+ 45.2	4.9	+ 58.1					
Modulus of elasticity, p.s.i. $\times 10^3$	In	647	989	+ 52.9	1040	+ 60.7					
	Cross	271	366	+ 35.1	322	+ 18.8					
T.E.A., in.-lb./sq. in.	In	0.71	0.95	+ 33.8	1.22	+ 71.8					
	Cross	0.53	1.00	+ 88.7	0.98	+ 84.9					
IPC bond strength, kp.-cm./sec.	In	4.34	3.32	- 23.5	4.91	+ 13.1					
	Cross	3.13	2.35	- 24.9	2.51	- 19.8					
Porosity, sec./100 cc.		13	24	+ 84.6	40	+207.7					
Bendtsen smoothness, ml./min.		987	765	- 22.5	858	- 13.1					
Cobb size, g./sq. m.		38.5	37.2	- 3.4	37.4	- 2.9					

^a Based on US liner results as reference.

^b Average of single and double face results for A- and B-flute.

TABLE XXVI
COMPARISON OF PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF EUROPEAN AND DOMESTIC LINERBOARDS AT 50% R.H.
(30.7-33.0-lb.)

Test Property ^b	US Liner	EG Liner	Diff., %	SC Liner	Diff., %	US Liner	EG Liner	Diff., %	SC Liner	Diff., %
Unit Weight Basis										
Weight, lb./M sq. ft.	35.0	31.8	- 9.1	31.0	- 11.4	--	--	--	--	--
iper, pt.	9.8	8.8	- 10.2	9.7	- 1.0	--	--	--	--	--
urrent density	3.6	3.6	0.0	3.2	- 11.1	--	--	--	--	--
itting strength, p.s.i.g.	105	124	+ 18.1	112	+ 6.7	3.00	3.90	+ 30.0	3.61	+ 20.3
endorf tear, g./sheet	In Cross Av.	240 308 274	197 252 225	- 17.9 - 18.2 - 17.9	212 238 226	- 11.7 - 22.7 - 17.5	6.86 6.19 7.92	- 9.8 - 10.0	6.84 7.68	- 0.3 - 12.7
lion tear, in.-oz.	In Cross Av.	60 74 66	50 55 52	- 16.7 - 25.7 - 21.2	55 52 53	- 8.3 - 29.7 - 19.7	1.71 1.57 1.73	- 8.2 - 18.0	1.77 1.68	+ 3.5 - 20.4
ture, unit	In Cross Av.	24 24 24	21 22 22	- 12.5 - 8.3 - 8.3	20 21 20	- 16.7 - 12.5 - 16.7	0.69 0.69 0.69	0.66 0.69 0.69	0.65 0.68	- 5.8 - 1.4
Tied ring compression, lb./in.	In Cross	23.4 16.0	21.5 15.2	- 8.1 - 5.0	20.0 14.2	- 14.5 - 11.2	0.67 0.46	0.68 0.48	+ 1.5 + 4.3	0.65 0.46
stiffness, g.-cm.	In Cross	40 14	37 13	- 7.5 - 7.1	42 14	+ 5.0 0.0				0.0
shear, lb./in.	In Cross	86.6 30.2	107.0 37.8	+ 23.6 + 25.2	98.0 39.2	+ 13.2 + 29.8	2.47 0.86	3.36 1.19	+ 36.0 + 38.4	3.16 1.26
shear, %	In Cross	2.2 3.6	2.0 4.3	- 9.1 + 19.4	1.9 5.1	- 13.6 + 41.7				
modulus of elasticity, lb. x 10 ³	In Cross	870 354	1164 428	+ 53.8 + 20.9	897 346	+ 3.1 - 2.5				
Bending strength, in.-lb./sq. in.	In Cross	1.24 0.85	1.34 1.19	+ 8.1 + 40.0	1.18 1.43	- 4.8 + 68.2				
Impact strength, kp.-cm./sec.	In Cross	4.55 2.26	4.22 2.32	- 7.3 + 2.7	6.90 3.16	+ 51.6 + 39.8				
Smoothness, sec./100 cc.		38	136	+ 257.9	26	- 31.6				
Smoothness, ml./min.		498	984	+ 97.6	830	+ 66.7				
Shear, g./sq. m.		35.6	45.3	+ 21.6	38.5	+ 7.6				

^a On US liner results as reference.

^b % of single and double face results for A- and B-flute.

TABLE XXVII

COMPARISON OF PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF EUROPEAN AND DOMESTIC LINERBOARDS AT 50% R.H.
(35.8-38.0-lb.)

Test Property ^b	US Liner	EG Liner	Diff., %	SC Liner	Diff., %	US Liner	EG Liner	Diff., %	SC Liner	Diff., %	
Unit Weight Basis											
Basis weight, lb./M sq. ft.	39.4	37.4	- 5.1	36.4	- 7.6	--	--	--	--	--	
Caliper, pt.	11.2	10.0	- 10.7	9.9	- 11.6	--	--	--	--	--	
Apparent density	3.6	3.8	+ 5.6	3.7	+ 2.8	--	--	--	--	--	
Bursting strength, p.s.i.g.	98	136	+ 38.8	136	+ 38.8	2.49	3.64	+ 46.2	3.74	+ 50.2	
Elmendorf tear, g./sheet	In Cross Av.	275 344 310	246 305 276	- 10.5 - 11.3 - 11.0	246 291 268	- 10.5 - 15.4 - 13.5	6.98 8.73	6.58 8.16	- 5.7 - 6.5	6.76 7.99	- 3.2 - 8.5
Torsion tear, in.-oz.	In Cross Av.	71 83 77	50 59 55	- 29.6 - 28.9 - 28.6	64 65 64	- 9.9 - 21.7 - 16.9	1.80 2.11	1.34 1.58	- 25.6 - 25.1	1.76 1.79	- 2.2 - 15.2
Puncture, unit	In Cross Av.	28 28 28	26 26 26	- 7.1 - 7.1 - 7.1	26 26 26	- 7.1 - 7.1 - 7.1	0.71 0.71	0.70 0.70	- 1.4 - 1.4	0.71 0.71	0.0 0.0
Modified ring compression, lb./in.	In Cross	24.0 15.6	24.6 17.8	+ 2.5 + 14.1	23.0 16.5	- 4.2 + 5.8	0.61 0.40	0.66 0.48	+ 8.2 + 20.0	0.63 0.45	+ 3.3 + 12.5
Taber stiffness, g.-cm.	In Cross	53 16	53 21	0.0 + 31.2	48 18	- 9.4 + 12.5					
Tensile, lb./in.	In Cross	86.0 28.9	116.8 47.2	+ 35.8 + 63.3	111.0 45.8	+ 29.1 + 58.5	2.18 0.73	3.12 1.26	+ 43.1 + 72.6	3.05 1.26	+ 39.9 + 72.6
Stretch, %	In Cross	2.0 4.4	1.8 3.4	- 10.0 - 22.7	2.3 5.4	+ 15.0 + 22.7					
Modulus of elasticity, p.s.i. x 10 ³	In Cross	782 279	1114 470	+ 42.5 + 68.5	960 378	+ 22.8 + 35.5					
T.E.A., in.-lb./sq. in.	In Cross	1.14 1.00	1.36 1.15	+ 19.3 + 15.0	1.65 1.78	+ 44.7 + 78.0					
IPC bond strength, kp.-cm./sec.	In Cross	3.24 1.68	4.04 2.26	+ 24.7 + 34.5	5.51 2.64	+ 70.1 + 57.1					
Porosity, sec./100 cc.		29	136	+ 369.0	64	+ 120.7					
Bendtsen smoothness, ml./min.		616	919	+ 49.2	498	- 19.2					
Cobb size, g./sq. m.		36.5	55.8	- 1.9	36.6	+ 0.3					

^a Based on US liner results as reference.

^b Average of single and double face results for A- and B-flute.

TABLE XXVIII
COMPARISON OF PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF EUROPEAN AND DOMESTIC LINERBOARDS AT 50% R.H.
(41.0-42.0-lb.)

Test Property ^b	US Liner	EG Liner	Diff., %	SC Liner	Diff., %	US Liner	EG Liner	Diff., %	Liner	Diff., %	
Unit Weight Basis											
Weight, lb./M sq. ft.	42.8	41.6	- 2.8	39.6	- 7.5	--	--	--	--	--	
per, pt.	12.1	11.6	- 4.1	12.0	- 0.8	--	--	--	--	--	
arent density	3.6	3.6	0.0	3.2	- 11.1	--	--	--	--	--	
sting strength, p.s.i.g.	115	146	+ 27.0	137	+ 19.1	2.69	3.51	+ 30.5	3.46	+ 28.6	
endorf tear, g./sheet	In Cross Av.	292 364 328	289 353 321	- 1.0 - 3.0 - 2.1	264 313 288	- 9.6 - 14.0 - 12.2	6.82 8.50 8.49	6.95 8.01 7.90	+ 1.9 - 0.1	6.67 7.90 - 7.1	
ion tear, in.-oz.	In Cross Av.	70 86 78	59 72 66	- 15.7 - 16.3 - 15.4	62 67 65	- 11.4 - 22.1 - 16.7	1.64 2.01 1.73	1.42 1.73 1.69	- 13.4 - 13.9	1.57 1.69 - 15.9	
ture, unit	In Cross Av.	32 32 32	31 32 32	- 3.1 0.0 0.0	28 28 28	- 12.5 - 12.5 - 12.5	0.75 0.75 0.77	0.75 0.77 + 2.7	0.0 0.71 0.71	- 5.3 - 5.3 - 5.3	
Ted ring compression, lb./in.	In Cross	19.3 15.4	22.6 16.6	+ 17.1 + 7.8	20.8 16.0	+ 7.8 + 3.9	0.45 0.36	0.54 0.40	+ 20.0 + 11.1	0.53 0.40	+ 17.8 + 11.1
stiffness, g.-cm.	In Cross	68 23	78 30	+ 14.7 + 30.4	84 27	+ 23.5 + 17.4					
le, lb./in.	In Cross	95.2 32.9	125.4 50.7	+ 31.7 + 54.1	126.4 46.4	+ 32.8 + 41.0	2.22 0.77	3.01 1.22	+ 55.6 + 58.4	3.19 1.17	+ 43.7 + 51.9
n, %	In Cross	2.2 3.8	1.8 3.4	- 18.2 - 10.5	2.0 4.7	- 9.1 + 23.7					
s of elasticity, i. x 10 ³	In Cross	771 300	1060 454	+ 37.5 + 51.3	945 351	+ 22.3 + 30.3					
in.-lb./sq. in.	In Cross	1.36 0.95	1.51 1.22	+ 11.0 + 28.4	1.55 1.59	+ 14.0 + 67.4					
ad strength, kp.-cm./sec.	In Cross	4.76 2.27	4.20 2.39	- 9.9 + 5.3	5.86 2.58	+ 23.1 + 13.7					
y, sec./100 cc.		28	102	+ 289.3	66	+ 135.7					
n smoothness, ml./min.		700	954	+ 36.6	1042	+ 49.0					
ze, g./sq. m.		33.2	32.4	- 2.4	37.0	+ 11.4					

on US liner results as reference.

re of single and double face results for A- and B-flute.

TABLE XXIX
COMPARISON OF PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF EUROPEAN AND DOMESTIC LINERBOARDS AT 65% R.H.
(25 6-26 0-1b)

Test Property ^b	US	EG	Diffr.	SC	Diffr.	US	EG	Diffr.	SC	Diffr.
	Liner	Liner	%	Liner	%	Liner	Liner	%	Liner	%
Unit Weight Basis										
Weight, lb /M sq ft	28.2	27.4	-2.8	27.0	-4.3	--	--	--	--	--
Caliper, pt	10.0	8.0	-20.0	8.0	-20.0	--	--	--	--	--
Apparent density	2.8	3.4	+21.4	3.4	+21.4	--	--	--	--	--
Bursting strength, psi g	70	96	+37.1	107	+52.9	2.48	3.50	+41.1	3.96	+59.7
Elmendorf tear, g /sheet										
In	228	188	-17.5	160	-29.8	8.09	6.86	-15.2	5.93	-26.7
Cross	284	228	-19.7	209	-26.4	10.07	8.32	-17.4	7.74	-23.1
Av	250	208	-16.8	184	-26.4	--	--	--	--	--
Torsion tear, in -oz										
In	58	52	-10.3	53	-8.6	2.06	1.90	-7.8	1.96	-4.9
Cross	68	57	-16.2	62	-8.8	2.41	2.08	-13.7	2.30	-4.6
Av	62	54	-12.9	58	-6.5	--	--	--	--	--
Puncture, unit										
In	20	18	-10.0	16	-20.0	0.71	0.66	-7.0	0.59	-16.9
Cross	20	19	-5.0	16	-20.0	0.71	0.69	-2.8	0.59	-16.9
Av	20	19	-5.0	16	-20.0	--	--	--	--	--
Mod ring compression, lb /in										
In	15.4	15.9	+3.2	16.6	+7.8	0.55	0.58	+5.5	0.61	+10.9
Cross	10.8	10.6	-1.9	10.9	+0.9	0.38	0.39	+2.6	0.40	+5.3
Taber stiffness, G -cm										
In	25	20	-20.0	22	-12.0	--	--	--	--	--
Cross	10	6	-40.0	7	-30.0	--	--	--	--	--
Tensile, lb /in										
In	52.8	75.1	+42.8	87.8	+66.3	1.87	2.75	+47.1	3.25	+73.8
Cross	20.8	29.8	+43.3	25.3	+21.6	0.74	1.09	+47.3	0.94	+27.0
Stretch, %										
In	2.0	2.0	0.0	2.1	+20.0	--	--	--	--	--
Cross	3.8	5.0	+31.6	5.6	+47.4	--	--	--	--	--
Mod of elasticity, psi ¹⁰										
In	590	922	+58.0	953	+61.5	--	--	--	--	--
Cross	234	333	+39.3	284	+18.8	--	--	--	--	--
TEA, in -lb /sq in										
In	0.14	0.93	+52.4	1.30	+75.7	--	--	--	--	--
Cross	0.60	1.04	+73.3	1.06	+76.7	--	--	--	--	--
IIP bond strength, kp.-cm./sec										
In	1.96	1.78	-9.2	1.98	+1.0	--	--	--	--	--
Cross	1.85	1.67	-9.7	1.92	+5.8	--	--	--	--	--
Porosity, sec /100 cc	10	22	+120.0	32	+222.0	--	--	--	--	--
Budtseen smoothness, ml /min	1108	803	-27.1	163	-31.1	--	--	--	--	--
Cobb size, g /sq m	33.6	32.9	-2.1	33.8	+0.6	--	--	--	--	--

^aBased on US liner results as reference

^bAverage of single and double face results for A- and B-flute

TABLE XXX

COMPARISON OF PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF EUROPEAN AND DOMESTIC LINERBOARDS AT 65% R.H.
(30.7-33.0-lb.)

Test Property ^b	US Liner	EG Liner	Diff. %	SC Liner	Diff. %	US Liner	EG Liner	Diff. %	SC Liner	Diff. %
Unit Weight Basis										
Weight, lb./M sq. ft.	35.7	32.4	-9.2	31.5	-11.8	--	--	--	--	--
Caliper, pt.	10.0	8.8	-12.0	9.9	-1.0	--	--	--	--	--
Apparent density	3.6	3.6	0.0	3.2	-11.1	--	--	--	--	--
Bursting strength, psig	104	123	+18.3	116	+11.5	2.91	3.80	+30.6	3.68	+26.5
Elmendorf tear, g./sheet										
In	270	226	-16.3	251	-7.0	7.56	6.98	-7.7	7.97	+5.4
Cross	342	284	-17.0	274	-19.9	9.58	8.77	-8.5	8.70	-9.2
Av.	306	255	-16.7	262	-14.4					
Tension tear, in.-oz										
In	68	54	-20.6	64	-5.9	1.90	1.67	-12.1	2.03	+6.8
Cross	85	68	-20.0	62	-27.1	2.38	2.10	-11.8	1.97	-17.2
Av	76	62	-18.4	62	-18.4					
Puncture, unit										
In	25	22	-12.0	22	-12.0	0.70	0.68	-2.9	0.70	0.0
Cross	26	22	-15.4	22	-15.4	0.73	0.68	-6.8	0.70	-4.1
Av	26	22	-15.4	22	-15.4					
Mod. ring compression, lb./in										
In	23.2	21.6	-6.9	20.0	-13.8	0.65	0.67	+3.1	0.63	-3.1
Cross	14.9	14.2	-4.7	14.0	-6.0	0.42	0.44	+4.8	0.44	+4.8
Fiber stiffness, g.-cm										
In	38	38	0.0	42	+10.5					
Cross	14	12	-14.3	14	0.0					
Tensile, lb./in										
In	81.5	99.4	+22.0	91.0	+11.7	2.28	3.07	+34.6	2.89	+26.8
Cross	28.2	36.3	+28.7	37.6	+33.3	0.79	1.12	+41.8	1.19	+50.6
Stretch, %										
In	2.4	2.0	-16.7	2.0	-16.7					
Cross	4.2	4.8	+14.3	5.7	+35.7					
"E" of elasticity, psig $\times 10^3$										
In	814	1080	+32.7	860	+5.7					
Cross	316	376	+19.0	308	-2.5					
E'A, in.-lb./sq.in										
In	1.29	1.32	+2.3	1.14	-11.6					
Cross	0.92	1.24	+34.8	1.48	+60.9					
"E" bond strength, kp.-cm./sec										
In	2.17	2.13	-1.8	2.29	+5.5					
Cross	1.89	2.12	+12.2	2.24	+18.5					
Density, sec./100 cc	31	125	+303.2	21	-32.3					
Mattsen smoothness, ml./min.	606	907	+49.7	874	+44.2					
DB size, g./sq.m.	33.0	39.2	+18.8	34.4	+4.2					

Based on US liner results as reference

Range of single and double face results for A- and B-flute

TABLE XXXI
COMPARISON OF PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF EUROPEAN AND DOMESTIC LINERBOARDS AT 65% R.H.
(35 8-38.0-1b)

Test Property ^b	US Liner	EG Liner	Diff. %		US Liner	EG Liner	Diff. %		SC Liner	Diff. %	
			In	Cross			In	Cross		In	Cross
Weight, lb./M sq ft	40.0	58.1	-4.8	37.5	-6.2	--	--	--	--	--	--
Caliper, pt	11.4	10.4	-8.8	10.2	-10.5	--	--	--	--	--	--
Apparent density	3.6	3.7	+2.8	3.7	+2.8	--	--	--	--	--	--
Bursting strength, p.s.i.g	98	135	+37.8	137	+39.8	2.45	3.54	+44.5	3.65	+49.0	
Elmendorf tear, g./sheet											
In	308	285	-7.5	282	-8.4	7.70	7.48	-2.9	7.52	-2.3	
Cross	387	348	-10.1	324	-16.3	9.68	9.13	-5.7	8.64	-10.7	
Av.	348	317	-8.9	302	-13.2						
Torsion tear, in.-oz											
In	77	62	-19.5	76	-1.3	1.92	1.63	-15.1	2.03	+5.7	
Cross	9.4	75	-20.2	82	-12.8	2.35	1.97	-16.2	2.19	-6.8	
Av.	85	70	-17.6	80	-5.9						
Puncture, unit											
In	30	28	-6.7	26	-13.3	0.75	0.73	-2.7	0.69	-8.0	
Cross	31	28	-9.7	26	-16.1	0.78	0.73	-6.4	0.69	-11.5	
Av.	30	28	-6.7	26	-13.3						
Mod. ring compression, lb./in											
In	23.7	24.6	+3.8	23.3	-1.7	0.59	0.65	+10.2	0.62	+5.1	
Cross	14.6	16.6	+13.7	16.0	+9.6	0.36	0.44	+22.2	0.43	+19.4	
Taber stiffness, g.-cm.											
In	52	54	+3.8	48	-7.7						
Cross	16	20	+25.0	17	+6.2						
Tensile, lb./in											
In	80.4	108.7	+35.2	103.0	+28.1	2.01	2.85	+41.8	2.75	+36.8	
Cross	27.0	44.8	+65.9	43.8	+62.2	0.68	1.18	+73.5	1.17	+72.1	
Stretch, %											
In	2.2	2.0	-9.1	2.4	+9.1						
Cross	5.1	3.8	-25.5	6.0	+17.6						
Mod. of elasticity, p.s.i. $\times 10^5$											
In	729	1044	+43.2	899	+23.3						
Cross	246	416	+69.1	338	+37.4						
TEA, in-lb./sq.in											
In	1.12	1.36	+14.3	1.64	+37.8						
Cross	1.06	1.18	+11.3	1.83	+72.6						
LPC bond, strength, kp.-cm./sec.											
In	1.92	1.90	-1.0	2.28	+18.8						
Cross	1.89	1.92	+1.6	1.98	+4.8						
Porosity, sec./100 cc	28	110	+292.9	55	+96.4						
Bonded smoothness, ml./min	666	912	+36.9	450	-32.4						
Cobb size, g./sq.m	52.7	32.0	-2.1	32.0	-2.1						

^aBased on US liner results as reference
^bAverage of single and double face results for A- and B-flute

TABLE XXXII

COMPARISON OF PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF EUROPEAN AND DOMESTIC LINERBOARDS AT 65% RH
(41.0-42.0-lb)

st Property ^b	US	EG	Diff.	US	EG	Diff.	US	EG	Diff.	SC	Diff.
	Liner	Liner	%	Liner	Liner	%	Liner	Liner	%	Liner	%
Unit Weight Basis											
Weight, lb /M sq ft	43.7	42.4	-3.0	40.0	38.5	-3.5	--	--	--	--	--
Upper, pt	12.4	11.8	-4.8	12.4	12.0	0.0	--	--	--	--	--
arent density	3.5	3.6	+2.9	3.2	-8.6	--	--	--	--	--	--
String strength, psig	113	144	+27.4	142	+25.7	2.59	3.40	+31.3	3.55	+37.1	
ndard tear, in./sheet											
In	326	324	-0.6	303	-7.1	7.46	7.64	+2.4	7.58	+1.6	
Cross	401	384	-4.2	350	-12.7	9.18	9.06	-1.3	8.75	-4.7	
Av	364	354	-2.7	327	-10.2						
ion tear, in.-oz											
In	83	70	-14.6	76	-7.3	1.88	1.65	-12.2	1.90	+1.1	
Cross	104	88	-15.4	80	-23.1	2.38	2.08	-12.6	2.00	-16.0	
Av	93	78	-16.1	78	-16.1						
ture, unit											
In	34	34	0.0	30	-11.8	0.78	0.80	+2.6	0.75	-3.8	
Cross	34	34	0.0	30	-11.8	0.78	0.80	+2.6	0.75	-3.8	
Av	34	34	0.0	30	-11.8						
ring compression, lb/in											
In	20.8	22.5	+8.2	21.0	+1.0	0.48	0.53	+10.4	0.53	+10.4	
Cross	15.8	17.6	+11.4	16.2	+2.5	0.36	0.42	+16.7	0.40	+11.1	
stiffness, lb-cm											
In	68	82	+20.6	87	+27.9						
Cross	24	30	+25.0	25	+4.2						
ile, lb/in											
In	89.5	115.6	+29.2	117.2	+30.9	2.05	2.73	+33.2	2.93	+42.9	
Cross	51.2	48.4	+55.1	42.8	-37.2	0.71	1.14	+60.6	1.07	+50.7	
etch, %											
In	2.4	2.0	-16.7	2.1	-12.5						
Cross	4.2	3.8	-9.5	5.1	+21.4						
or elasticity, psi $\times 10^3$											
In	724	993	+37.2	870	+20.2						
Cross	269	403	+49.8	290	+7.8						
Modulus, in.-lb/in ²											
In	1.28	1.46	+15.8	1.54	+11.6						
Cross	1.02	1.28	+25.5	1.56	+52.9						
ond strength, kp-cm/sec											
In	2.12	2.02	-4.7	2.50	+17.9						
Cross	1.85	2.01	+8.6	2.18	+17.8						
rit, sec /100 cc	25	100	+300.0	59	+136.0						
on smoothness, mil/min	692	987	+42.6	1070	+54.6						
al., g/m ²	28.8	28.7	-0.3	33.5	+16.3						

tion US liner results as reference
use of single and double face results, for A- and B-flute

TABLE XXXIII
COMPARISON OF PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF DOMESTIC AND EUROPEAN LINERBOARDS
(50% Relative Humidity)

Test Property	Difference, %			Difference, %			Difference, %			Difference, %		
	US Liner 26-lb.			EUR. 25.6-lb. SC			US Liner 33-lb.			EUR. 30.7-1b. SC		
	US Liner 26-lb.	EUR. BG	SC	US Liner 26-lb.	EUR. BG	SC	US Liner 33-lb.	EUR. BG	SC	US Liner 30.7-1b.	EUR. BG	SC
Weight, lb./M sq. ft.	26.0	-5.4	-4.6	35.0	-9.1	-11.4	39.4	-5.1	-7.6	42.8	-2.8	-7.5
Caliper, pt.	9.6	-18.8	-18.8	9.8	-10.2	-1.0	11.2	-10.7	-11.6	12.1	-4.1	-0.8
Apparent density	3.0	+13.3	+13.3	3.6	0.0	-11.1	3.6	+5.6	+2.8	3.6	0.0	-11.1
Bursting strength, p.s.i.g. factor	7.2	+36.9(.01)	+47.2(.01)	10.5	+18.1(.01)	+6.7(.01)	9.8	+38.8(.01)	+38.8(.01)	11.5	+27.0(.01)	+19.1(.01)
Bursting strength, p.s.i.g. factor	2.57	+46.7	+54.5	3.0	+20.0	+20.3	2.49	+46.2	+50.2	2.69	+30.5	+28.6
Tensile tear, in-machine sheet	202	-17.8(.01)	-25.2(.01)	240	-17.9(.01)	-11.7(.01)	275	-10.5(.01)	-10.5(.01)	292	-1.0(.01)	-9.6(.01)
Tensile tear, cross-machine sheet	7.22	-13.2	-25.7	6.86	-9.8	-0.3	6.98	-5.7	-3.2	6.82	+1.9	-2.2
Average, in and cross Average, in and cross	250	-18.4(.01)	-25.6(.01)	308	-18.2(.01)	-22.7(.01)	344	-11.3(.01)	-15.4(.01)	364	-3.0(.01)	-14.0(.01)
Torsion tear, in-machine unit	8.93	-13.8	-21.9	8.08	-10.0	-12.7	8.73	-6.5	-8.5	8.50	7.0.1	-7.1
Torsion tear, in-machine unit	226	-18.6	-27.4	274	-17.9	-17.5	310	-11.0	-13.5	328	-2.1	-12.2
Torsion tear, cross-machine unit	50	-12.0	-20.0	60	-16.7	-8.3	71	-29.6	-9.9	70	-15.7	-11.4
Torsion tear, cross-machine unit	1.79	-7.3	-5.6	1.71	-8.2	+3.5	1.80	-25.6	-2.2	1.64	-13.4	-4.3
Puncture, in-machine unit	56	-14.3	-7.1	74	-25.7	-29.7	83	-28.9	-21.7	86	-16.3	-22.1
Puncture, in-machine unit	2.00	-9.5	-2.5	2.11	-28.0	-20.4	2.11	-25.1	-15.2	2.01	-13.9	-15.9
Average, unit	52	-11.5	-7.7	66	-21.2	-19.7	77	-28.6	-16.9	78	-25.4	-16.7
Puncture, in-machine unit	20	-10.0	-20.0	24	-12.5	-16.7	28	-7.1	-7.1	32	-3.1	-12.5
Puncture, cross-machine unit	0.71	-4.2	-15.5	0.69	-4.3	-5.8	0.71	-1.4	0.0	0.75	0.0	-5.3
Average, unit	20	-10.0	-20.0	24	-8.3	-12.5	28	-7.1	-7.1	32	0.0	-12.5
Modified ring compression, in-machine lb./in. factor	0.71	-4.2	-15.5	0.67	0.0	-1.4	0.71	-1.4	0.0	0.75	+2.7	-5.3
Modified ring compression, cross-machine lb./in. factor	20	-10.0	-20.0	24	-8.3	-16.7	28	-7.1	-7.1	32	0.0	-12.5
Modified ring compression, in-machine lb./in. factor	16.0	+0.6(RS)	+8.8(.01)	23.4	-8.1(.01)	-14.5(.01)	24.0	+2.5(.05)	-4.2(.01)	19.3	+4.7(.01)	+7.8(.01)
Modified ring compression, cross-machine lb./in. factor	0.57	+7.0	+14.0	0.67	+1.5	-3.0	0.61	+8.2	+3.3	0.45	+20.0	+17.8
Modified ring compression, cross-machine lb./in. factor	11.4	-0.9(RS)	+2.6(.01)	16.0	-5.0(.01)	-11.2(.01)	15.6	+14.1(.01)	+5.8(.01)	15.4	+7.8(.01)	+3.9(.01)
Modified ring compression, cross-machine lb./in. factor	0.41	+4.9	+7.3	0.46	+4.3	0.0	0.40	+20.0	+12.5	0.36	+11.1	+11.1

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PAGE EIGHT OF PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF DOMESTIC AND EUROPEAN LINEBOARDS
(20% Relative Humidity)

Test: Property	Difference, % ^a				Difference, % ^a				Difference, % ^a				Difference, % ^a			
	US Liner 26-lb	JPB 25-lb	US Liner 23-lb	US Liner SC	US Liner 23-lb	JPB SC	US Liner 30.7-lb	EUR 38-lb	US Liner 38-lb	EUR 35.8-lb	US Liner 42-lb	JPB SC	US Liner 42-lb	JPB SC	US Liner 42-lb	JPB SC
Tensile strength, in-machine 6-cm	26	- 23.1 (0.1)	- 15.4 (0.1)	40 - 19.4 - 11.8	- 1.5 (0.1)	+ 1.5 + 1.8	+ 5.0 + 18.4	53 1.35 + 5.2	9.4 + 1.0 - 0.1	68 1.59 + 2.2	+ 14.7 + 18.2 + 0.1	+ 23.5 + 33.5 (0.1)				
Tensile strength, cross-machine 6-cm	10	- 30.7 (0.1)	- 20.0 (0.1)	24 - 16.7 - 16.7	- 7.1 (0.1)	+ 2.5 + 12.5	0.0 (0.1)	16 0.41 + 36.6	+ 12.5 + 19.5 + 0.01	23 0.54 + 19.5	+ 30.4 + 33.3 + 0.1	+ 17.4 + 25.9 + 0.1				
Tensile strength, in-machine lb/in	0.36	- 16.7 2.04	- 16.7 + 39.6 + 47.1	0.40 + 57.5 + 64.7	+ 2.5 + 12.5	+ 12.5 + 12.5	+ 12.5 + 12.5	0.41 + 36.6	+ 12.5 + 19.5 + 0.01	23 0.54 + 19.5	+ 30.4 + 33.3 + 0.1	+ 17.4 + 25.9 + 0.1				
Tensile strength, cross-machine lb/in	57.0	+ 39.6 + 47.1	+ 57.5 + 64.7	86.6 2.47	+ 23.6 + 36.0	+ 13.2 + 27.9	86.0 2.18	+ 35.8 + 45.1	+ 29.1 + 39.9	95.2 2.22	+ 34.7 + 35.6	+ 32.8 + 43.7				
Stretch, %	0.79	+ 37.8 + 45.6	+ 28.9 + 25.3	30.2 0.86	+ 25.2 + 38.4	+ 29.8 + 46.5	28.9 0.73	+ 63.3 + 72.6	+ 58.5 + 72.6	32.9 0.77	+ 54.1 + 58.4	+ 41.0 + 51.9				
Radius of elasticity, in. 1 in. 3.15	1.8	+ 5.6 + 45.2	+ 22.2 + 58.1	2.3 3.6	+ 9.1 + 19.4	+ 13.6 + 41.7	2.0 4.4	+ 10.0 - 22.7	+ 15.0 + 22.7	2.2 3.8	- 18.2 - 20.3	- 9.1 + 23.7				
TLA 1 in. 4lb / in. 2	54.7	+ 52.9 + 35.2	+ 60.7 + 16.3	87.0 35.4	+ 33.8 + 30.9	+ 3.1 - 2.1	78.2 27.9	+ 42.5 + 68.5	+ 22.8 + 35.5	77.1 30.0	+ 37.5 + 51.3	+ 22.3 + 40.3				
TLA 1 in. 4lb / in. 2	54.7	+ 52.9 + 35.2	+ 60.7 + 16.3	87.0 35.4	+ 33.8 + 30.9	+ 3.1 - 2.1	78.2 27.9	+ 42.5 + 68.5	+ 22.8 + 35.5	77.1 30.0	+ 37.5 + 51.3	+ 22.3 + 40.3				

TABLE XXXIV
COMPARISON OF PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF DOMESTIC AND EUROPEAN LINTERBOARDS
(65% Relative Humidity)

Test Property	US Liner 26-lb		Difference, a % EUR 25-6-lb EG		Difference, a % EUR 30-7-lb EG		Difference, a % EUR 35-8-lb EG		Difference, a % EUR 41-9-lb EG		Difference, a % EUR 41-0-1b EG	
	US Liner 26-lb	SC	US Liner 33-lb	SC	US Liner 38-lb	SC	US Liner 38-lb	SC	US Liner 42-lb	SC	US Liner 42-lb	SC
Tensile strength, lb / 1 sq. ft.	28.2	-2.8	-4.5	35.7	-9.2	-11.8	40.0	-4.8	-45.7	-3.8	-8.5	-0.0
Adhesion, pt	10.0	-20.0	-20.0	10.0	-12.0	-1.0	11.4	-6.8	-12.4	-4.8	-8.6	-2.9
Strength, pt	2.8	+21.4	+21.4	3.6	0.0	-11.1	3.6	+2.8	3.5	+2.9	-3.6	-0.6
Strength, g / sheet	70.0	+37.1	+52.9	104.0	+18.5	+11.5	98.0	+37.8	+39.8	+11.5	+27.4	+27.7
Intercoff tear, in-machine factor	2.48	+1.1	+59.7	2.91	+30.6	+26.5	2.45	+44.5	+49.0	+2.59	+51.3	+51.1
Intercoff tear, in-machine g / sheet	228.0	-17.5	-29.8	270.0	-16.5	-7.0	308.0	-7.5	-8.4	326.0	-0.6	-7.1
Intercoff tear, cross-machine factor	8.09	-15.2	-26.7	7.56	-7.7	+5.4	7.70	-2.9	-2.3	7.46	+2.4	+1.6
Intercoff tear, cross-machine g / sheet	284.0	-19.7	-26.4	342.0	-17.0	-19.9	387.0	-10.1	-16.1	401.0	-4.2	-12.7
Average, in and cross factor	10.07	-17.4	-23.1	9.58	-8.5	-9.2	9.68	-5.7	-13.1	9.18	-1.3	-4.7
Average, in and cross	250.0	-16.8	-26.4	306.0	-16.7	-14.4	348.0	-8.9	-13.2	364.0	-2.7	-10.2
Torsion tear, in-machine unit	58.0	-10.3	-8.6	68.0	-20.6	-5.9	77.0	-19.5	-1.3	83.0	-14.6	-7.3
Torsion tear, in-machine factor	2.06	+7.8	-4.9	1.90	-12.1	+6.8	1.92	-15.1	+5.7	1.88	-12.2	+1.1
Torsion tear, cross-machine unit	68.0	-16.2	-8.8	85.0	-20.0	-27.1	94.0	-20.2	-12.8	104.0	-15.4	-23.1
Torsion tear, cross-machine factor	2.41	-13.7	-4.6	2.38	-11.8	-17.2	2.35	-16.2	-6.8	2.38	-12.6	-16.0
Average, unit	62.0	-12.9	-6.5	76.0	-18.4	-18.4	85.0	-17.6	-5.9	93.0	-16.1	-16.1
Puncture, in-machine unit	20.0	-10.0	25.0	-12.0	-12.0	0.0	30.0	-6.7	-13.3	34.0	0.0	-11.8
Puncture, in-machine factor	0.71	-7.0	-16.9	0.70	-2.9	0.0	0.75	-2.7	-8.0	0.78	+2.6	-3.8
Puncture, cross-machine unit	20.0	-5.0	-20.0	26.0	-15.4	-15.4	31.0	-9.7	-16.1	34.0	0.0	-11.8
Puncture, cross-machine factor	0.71	-2.8	-16.9	0.73	-6.8	-4.1	0.78	-6.4	-11.5	0.78	+2.6	-3.8
Average, unit	20.0	-5.0	-20.0	26.0	-15.4	-15.4	30.0	-6.7	-13.3	34.0	0.0	-11.8
Modified ring compression, 1-in-machine lb/in	15.4	+3.2	+7.8	23.2	-6.9	-13.8	23.7	+3.8	-1.7	20.8	+8.2	+1.0
Modified ring compression, 1-in-machine factor	0.55	+5.5	+10.9	0.65	+3.1	-3.1	0.59	+1.0	+5.1	0.48	+10.4	+10.4
Cross-machine lb/in	10.8	-1.9	+0.9	14.9	-4.7	-6.0	14.6	+13.7	+9.6	15.8	+11.4	+2.5
Cross-machine factor	0.38	+2.6	+5.3	0.42	+4.8	+4.8	0.36	+22.2	+19.4	0.36	+16.7	+11.1

TABLE XXXIV (Continued)
COMPARISON OF PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF DOMESTIC AND EUROPEAN LINERBOARDS
(65% Relative Humidity)

Test Property	US Liner		Difference, ^a % EUR. 25.6-lb.		US Liner		Difference, ^a % EUR. 30.7-lb.		US Liner		Difference, ^a % EUR. 35.8-lb.		US Liner		Difference, ^a % EUR. 41.0-lb.	
	26-lb.	SC	35	SC	22-lb.	SC	38-lb.	SC	38-lb.	SC	38-lb.	SC	42-lb.	SC	42-lb.	SC
Taber stiffness, in-machine	25	-	20.0	-	12.0	38	0.0	+ 10.5	52	+ 3.8	- 7.7	68	+ 20.6	-	27.9	
Taber stiffness, cross-machine	0.89	-	18.0	-	9.0	1.06	+ 10.4	+ 25.5	1.30	+ 9.2	- 1.5	1.56	+ 23.7	-	39.7	
In-tensile strength, in-machine	10	-	40.0	-	30.0	14	- 14.3	+ 0.0	16	+ 25.0	+ 6.2	24	+ 25.0	-	4.2	
In-tensile strength, cross-machine	0.35	-	37.1	-	25.7	0.59	- 5.1	+ 12.8	0.40	+ 30.0	+ 12.5	0.55	+ 23.1	-	12.7	
In-tensile strength, in-machine	92.8	+	42.8	+	66.3	81.5	+ 22.0	+ 11.7	80.4	+ 35.2	+ 28.1	89.5	+ 23.2	-	30.9	
In-tensile strength, cross-machine	1.87	+	47.1	+	73.8	2.28	+ 34.6	+ 26.8	2.01	+ 41.8	+ 36.8	2.05	+ 23.2	-	42.9	
In-tensile strength, in-machine	20.8	+	43.3	+	21.6	28.2	+ 28.7	+ 33.3	27.0	+ 65.9	+ 62.2	31.2	+ 55.1	-	37.2	
In-tensile strength, cross-machine	0.74	+	47.3	+	27.0	0.79	+ 41.8	+ 50.6	0.68	+ 73.5	+ 72.1	0.71	+ 60.6	-	50.7	
Stretch, %	2.0	-	0.0	-	20.0	2.4	- 16.7	- 16.7	2.2	- 9.1	+ 9.1	2.4	- 16.7	-	12.5	
In-tensile strength, cross-machine	3.8	+	31.6	+	47.4	4.2	+ 14.3	+ 35.7	5.1	- 25.5	+ 17.6	4.2	- 9.5	-	21.4	
Modulus of elasticity, in. x 10 ³	590	+	58.0	+	61.5	81.4	+ 32.7	+ 5.7	729	+ 43.2	+ 23.3	724	+ 37.2	-	20.2	
In-machine	239	+	39.3	+	18.8	316	+ 19.0	- 2.5	246	+ 69.1	+ 37.4	269	+ 49.8	-	7.8	
Cross-machine	0.60	+	73.3	+	76.7	0.92	+ 34.8	- 11.6	1.19	+ 14.3	+ 37.8	1.38	+ 5.8	-	11.6	
A.A., in.-lb./sq. in.	0.74	+	32.4	+	75.7	1.29	+ 2.3	+ 60.9	1.06	+ 11.3	+ 72.6	1.02	+ 25.5	-	52.9	
In-machine	0.60	+	73.3	+	76.7	0.92	+ 34.8	+ 60.9	1.06	+ 11.3	+ 72.6	1.02	+ 25.5	-	52.9	
Cross-machine	0.60	+	73.3	+	76.7	0.92	+ 34.8	+ 60.9	1.06	+ 11.3	+ 72.6	1.02	+ 25.5	-	52.9	
Bond strength, kg/cm ² /sec.	1.96	-	9.2	-	1.0	217	- 1.8	+ 5.5	1.92	- 1.0	+ 18.8	2.12	- 4.7	-	17.9	
In-machine	1.85	-	9.7	-	3.8	1.89	+ 12.2	+ 18.5	1.89	+ 1.6	+ 4.8	1.85	- 8.6	-	17.8	
Cross-machine	1.85	-	9.7	-	3.8	1.89	+ 12.2	+ 18.5	1.89	+ 1.6	+ 4.8	1.85	- 8.6	-	17.8	
Viscosity, sec./100 cc.	10	+120.0	+222.0	31	+303.2	- 32.3	-	28	+292.9	+ 96.4	25	+300.0	+136.0			
Thickness, ml/min.	1108	-	27.1	-	31.1	60.6	+ 49.7	+ 44.2	666	+ 36.9	- 32.4	692	+ 42.6	+ 54.6		
Size, g./sq. in.	33.6	-	2.1	-	0.6	33.0	+ 18.8	+ 4.2	32.7	- 2.1	- 2.1	28.8	- 0.3	+ 16.3		

^a 3. linerboard used as reference.

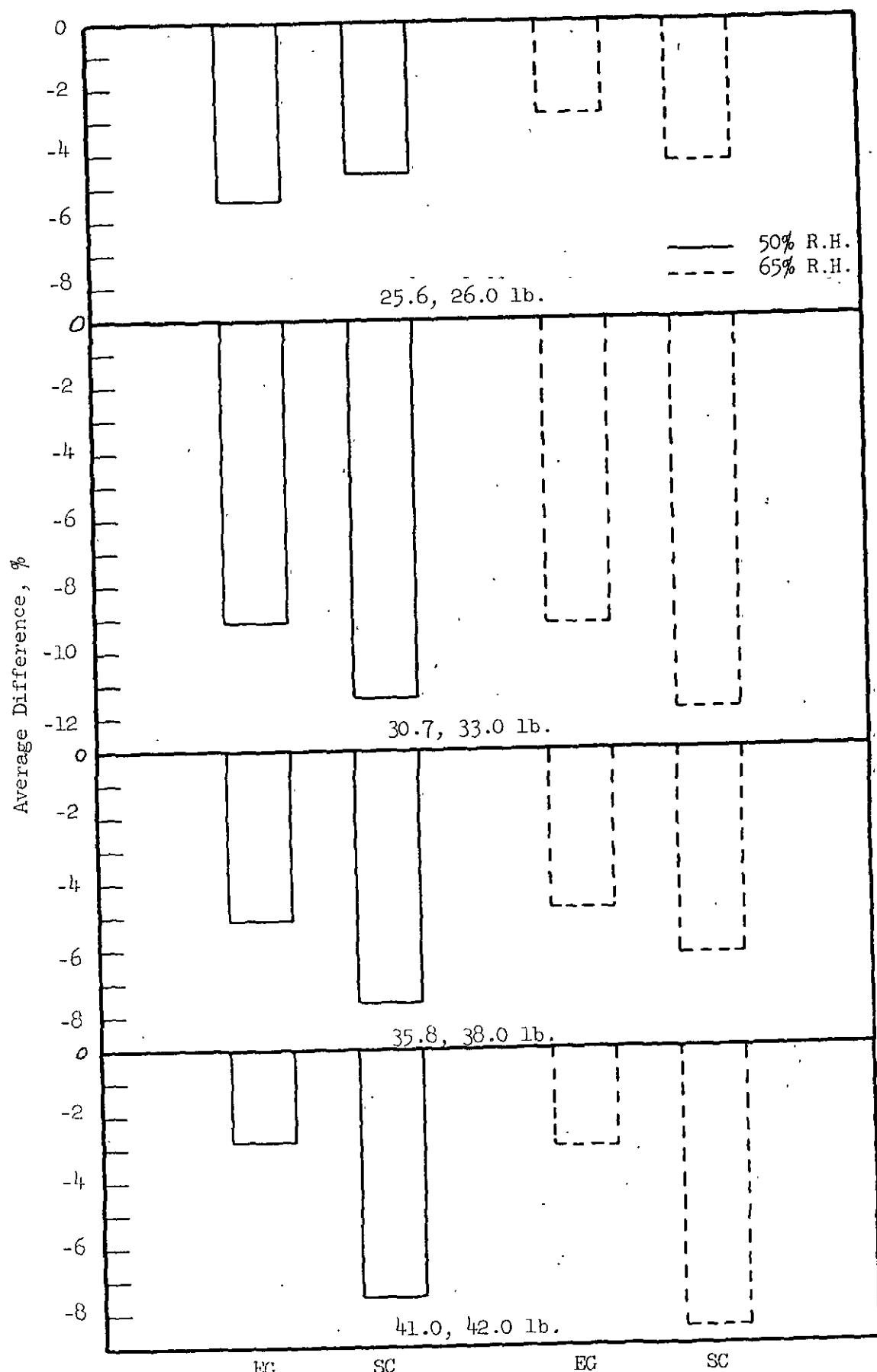


Figure 14. Comparison of Average Difference in Basis Weight of European and U.S. Linerboards

In view of the above relationship for basis weight, it is not surprising that the U.S. linerboards are higher in caliper (see Tables XXXIII and XXXIV) than the competitive European grade weights. The per cent differences in caliper follow and are illustrated in Fig. 15

Nominal Wt., lb./ M sq ft	U.S. Linerboard Caliper, pt	Linerboard Caliper Difference, % ^a			65% R.H.	
		50% R.H.		U.S. Linerboard Caliper, pt.	E.G.	S.C.
26.0	9.6	-18.8	-18.8	10.0	-20.0	-20.0
33.0	9.8	-10.2	-1.0	10.0	-12.0	-1.0
38.0	11.2	-10.7	-11.6	11.4	-8.8	-10.5
42.0	12.1	-4.1	-0.8	12.4	-4.8	0.0

^aU.S. linerboard results used as reference.

It may be seen that at all grade weight levels the U.S. linerboards are in most cases significantly higher in caliper than the corresponding European linerboards. The greatest difference is at the 25.6, 26.0-lb grade weight level and the least at the 41.0, 42.0-lb grade weight level. In general, the caliper of the Svenska Cellulosa linerboard, average slightly higher than the caliper of Enso Gutseit linerboards.

It may be observed that the apparent densities (see Tables XXXIII and XXXIV) of the 26.0-lb and 38.0-lb. U.S. linerboards are lower than the corresponding European linerboards. The densities of the 33.0-lb and 42.0-lb U.S. linerboards are approximately equal to the corresponding Enso Gutseit linerboards but approximately 8 to 11% higher than the competitive Svenska Cellulosa linerboards. The per cent differences at the four grade weights follow and are illustrated in Fig. 16

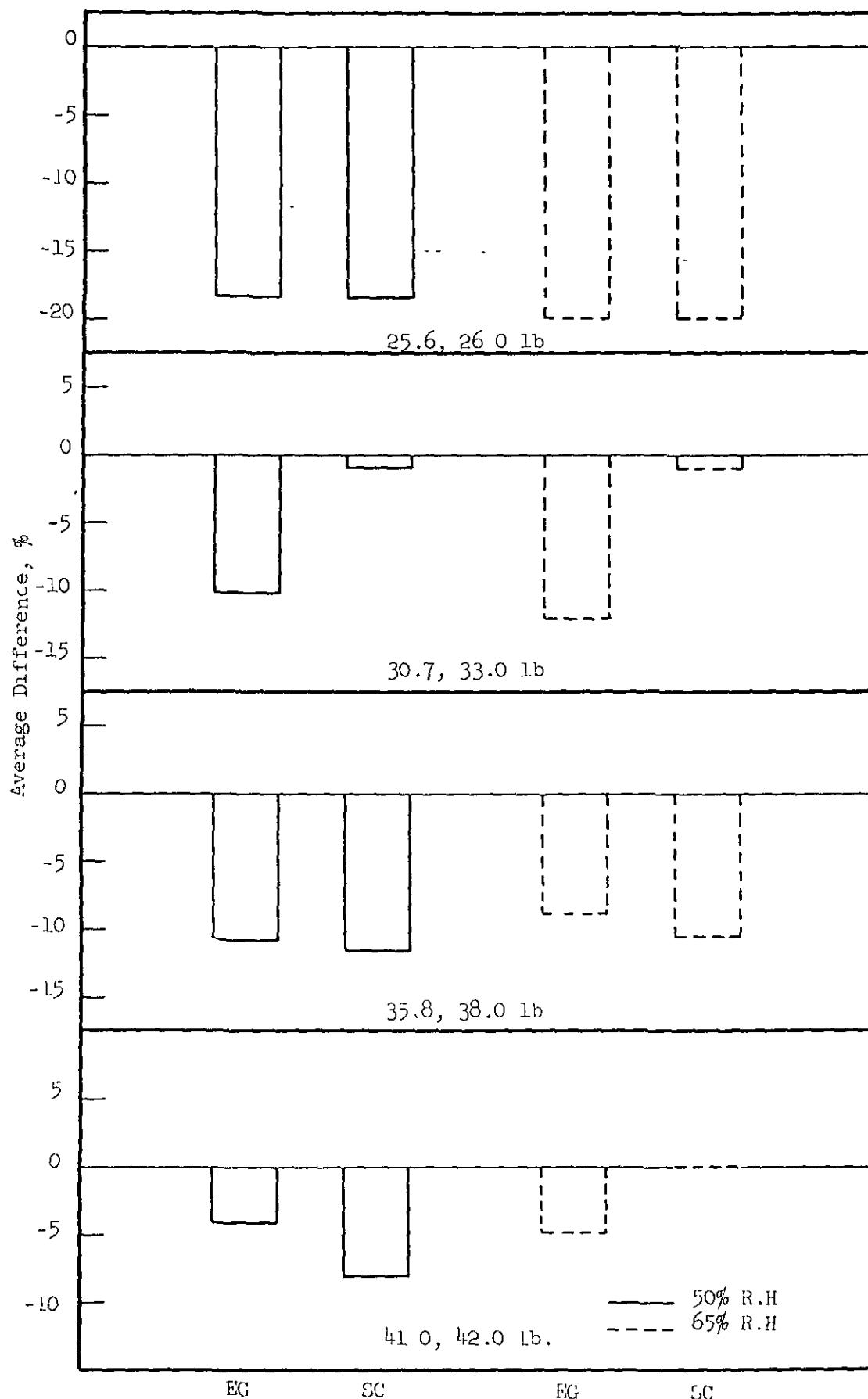


Figure 15. Comparison of Average Difference in Caliper of
Proprietary and U.S. Linerboards

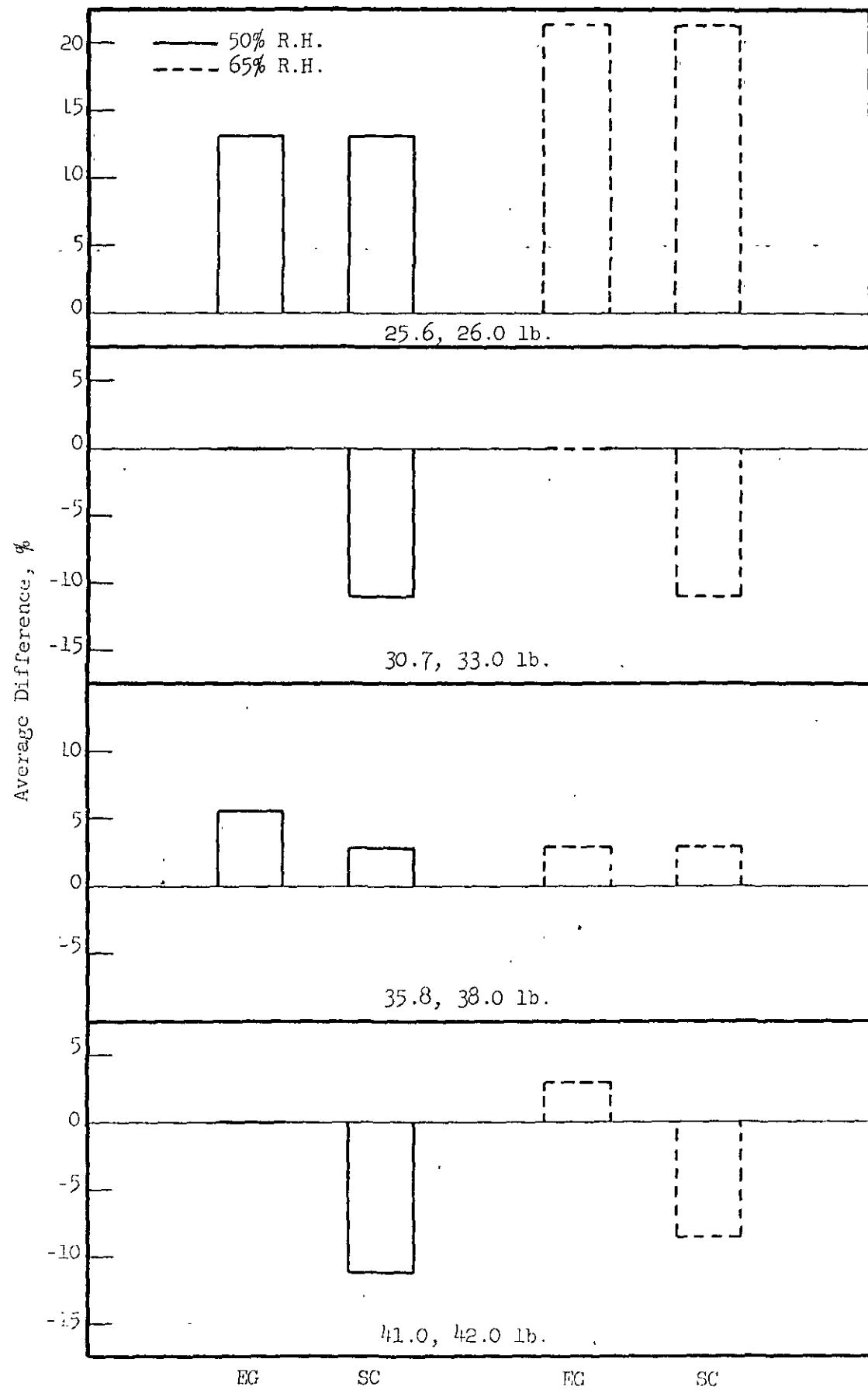


FIGURE 16. Comparison of Average Difference in Apparent Density
at 50% and 65% R.H.

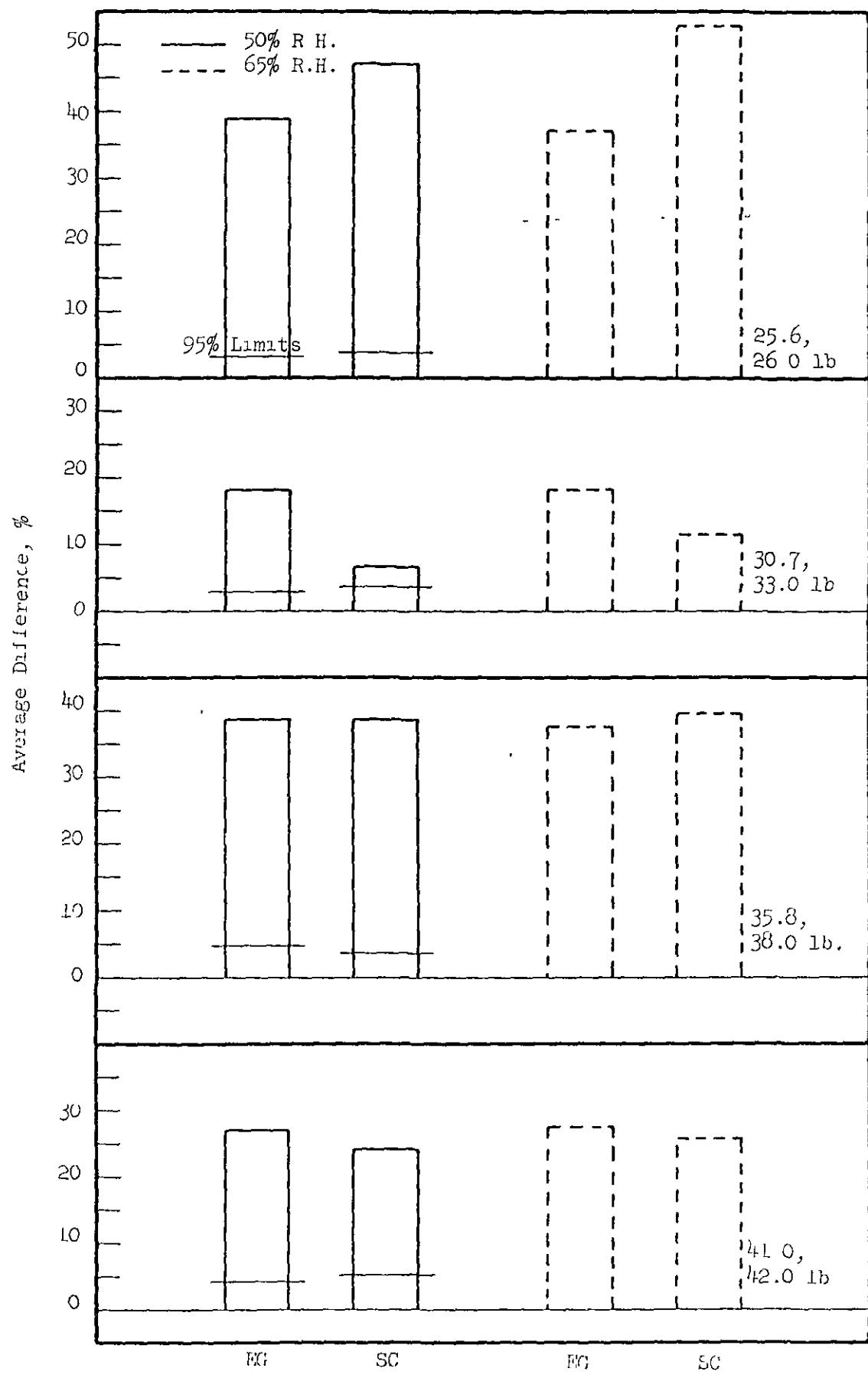
Nominal Wt., lb./ M sq.ft.	Difference in Apparent Density, % ^a					
	50% R.H.			65% R.H.		
U.S. Linerboard Apparent Density	E.G.	S.C.	U.S. Linerboard Apparent Density	E.G.	S.C.	
26.0	3.0	+13.3	+13.3	2.8	+21.4	+21.4
33.0	3.6	0.0	-11.1	3.6	0.0	-11.1
38.0	3.6	+5.6	+2.8	3.6	+2.8	+2.8
42.0	3.6	0.0	-11.1	3.5	+2.9	-8.6

^aU.S. linerboard results used as reference.

When the bursting strength (see Tables XXXIII and XXXIV) of the U.S. and European linerboards are considered it may be noted that the results for the U.S. linerboards are markedly lower than those for the corresponding European linerboards. The statistical significance of the average differences for a selected number of physical properties at 50% R.H. was determined by means of analysis of variance (see Appendix for procedure). The per cent difference in bursting strength at the four different grade weight levels are listed as follows (together with an indication of the significance of the difference - see figure in parentheses) and are graphically illustrated in Fig. 17:

Nominal Weight, lb./M sq.ft.	Bursting Strength Difference, % ^a					
	50% R.H.			65% R.H.		
U.S. Linerboard Bursting Strength, p.s.i.	E.G.	S.C.	U.S. Linerboard Bursting Strength, p.s.i.	E.G.	S.C.	
26.0	72	+38.9 (.01)	+47.2 (.01)	70	+37.1	+52.9
33.0	105	+18.1 (.01)	+6.7 (.01)	104	+18.3	+11.5
38.0	98	+38.8 (.01)	+38.8 (.01)	98	+37.8	+39.8
42.0	115	+27.0 (.01)	+19.1 (.01)	113	+27.4	+25.7
Average		+30.7	+38.0		+30.2	+32.5

^aU.S. linerboard used as reference.



It may be seen that the greatest disparity in bursting strength is at the lowest grade weight level and the least at the 30.7, 33.0-lb. grade weight level. In general, the bursting strength results for the U.S. linerboards are approximately 30% lower than those for Enso Gutscit linerboards at corresponding grade weight levels, and 32 to 38% lower than those for Svenska Cellulosa linerboards. It may be noted that all the differences in bursting strength between U.S. and European linerboards are significant at the 1% confidence level. When the bursting strength results are compared in terms of bursting strength per pound of basis weight, it may be seen that the European linerboards are far more efficient (i.e., develop greater bursting strength per pound) than the U.S. linerboards as may be noted from the differences in bursting strength per pound of basis weight tabulated as follows and shown in Fig. 18:

Nominal Wt., lb./M sq.ft.	U.S. Linerboard Bursting Strength, p.s.i./lb.	Difference in Bursting Strength per Unit Basis Weight, % ^a				
		50% R.H.		65% R.H.		
		E.G.	S.C.	E.G.	S.C.	
26.0	2.57	+46.7	+54.5	2.48	+41.1	+59.7
33.0	3.00	+30.0	+20.3	2.91	+30.6	+26.5
38.0	2.49	+46.2	+50.2	2.45	+44.5	+49.0
42.0	2.69	+30.5	+28.6	2.59	+31.3	+37.1

^aU.S. linerboard results used as reference.

The machine-direction Elmendorf tearing strength results are tabulated in Tables XXXIII and XXXIV and the per cent differences, together with the level of significance of the differences, are given as follows and also in Fig. 19:

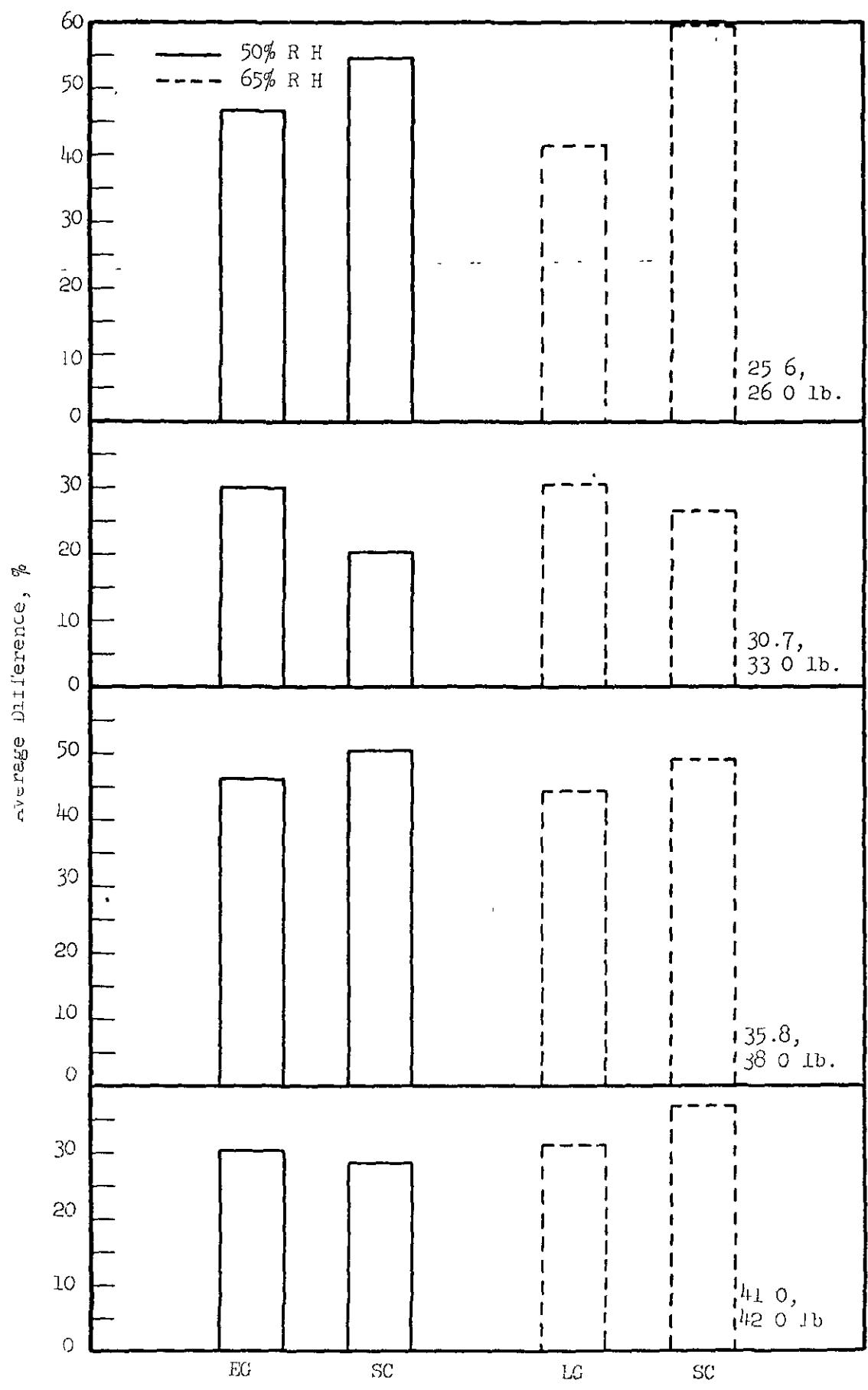


Figure 151 Comparison of Average Difference in Bursting Strength

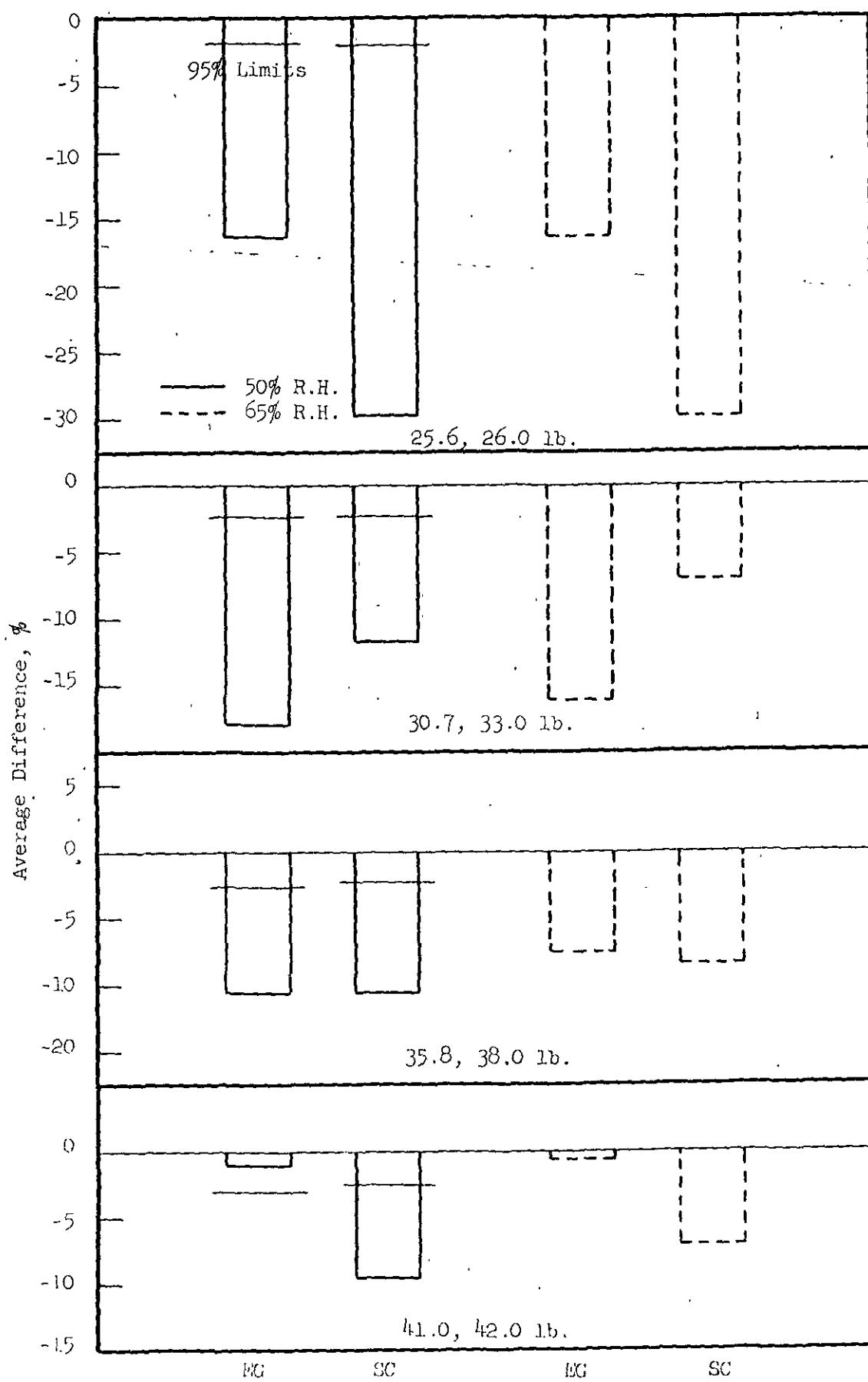


Figure 19. Comparison of Average Difference in Machine-Direction
between Comparison of European and U.S. Linerboards

Difference in Machine-Direction Tearing Strength, %^a

Nominal Wt., lb./ M sq ft	50% R.H.			65% R.H.		
	U.S. Linerboard Tearing Strength, g./sheet	E.G	S.C.	U.S. Linerboard Tearing Strength, g./sheet	E.G	S.C.
26.0	202	-17.8 (.01)	-29.2 (.01)	228	-17.5	-29.8
33.0	240	-17.9 (.01)	-11.7 (.01)	270	-16.3	-7.0
38.0	275	-10.5 (.01)	-10.5 (.01)	308	-7.5	-8.4
42.0	292	-1.0 (.01)	-9.6 (.01)	326	-0.6	-7.1
	Average	-11.8	-15.5		-10.5	-13.1

^aU.S. linerboard results used as reference.

It may be seen that in all cases the machine-direction tearing strengths of U.S. linerboards are higher than the tearing strengths of corresponding European linerboards — on an average basis, 10 to 12% higher than Enso Gutseit and 13 to 16% higher than Svenska Cellulosa linerboards. Further, all the differences are statistically significant. When the machine-direction tearing strengths are considered on a unit weight basis, the differences between U.S. and European linerboards are greatly reduced; however, in most instances the tearing strength factors are higher for the U.S. linerboards as may be seen from the differences in tearing strength factors tabulated as follows:

Difference in Machine-Direction Tearing Strength Factor, %^a

Nominal Wt., lb./ M sq ft	50% R.H.			65% R.H.		
	U.S. Linerboard Tearing Strength Factor	E.G	S.C.	U.S. Linerboard Tearing Strength Factor	E.G	S.C.
26.0	7.21	-13.2	-25.7	8.09	-15.2	-26.7
33.0	6.86	-9.8	-0.3	7.56	-7.7	+5.4
38.0	6.98	-5.7	-3.2	7.70	-2.9	-2.2
42.0	6.82	+1.9	-2.2	7.46	+2.4	+1.6
	Average	-6.7	-7.9		-5.9	-5.5

^aU.S. linerboard results used as reference.

The cross-machine tearing strengths of the U.S. linerboards are also higher (see Tables XXXIII and XXXIV) than the tearing strengths of the corresponding European linerboards as may be seen from the following average differences which are illustrated in Fig. 20.

Nominal Wt., lb./ M sq.ft.	U.S. Linerboard C.D. Tearing Strength, g./sheet	Difference in Cross-Machine Tearing Strength, % ^a		U.S. Linerboard C.D. Tearing Strength, g./sheet	65% R.H.	
		50% R.H.	E.G. S.C.		E.G.	S.C.
26.0	250	-18.4 (.01)	-25.6 (.01)	284	-19.7	-26.4
33.0	308	-18.2 (.01)	-22.7 (.01)	342	-17.0	-19.9
38.0	344	-11.3 (.01)	-15.4 (.01)	377	-10.1	-16.3
42.0	364	-3.0 (.01)	-14.0 (.01)	401	-4.2	-12.7
	Average	-12.7	-19.4		-12.8	-18.8

^aU.S. linerboard results used as reference

It may be noted that all the differences are statistically significant at the 1% confidence level. The Enso Gutseit linerboards average 12 to 13% lower and the Svenska Cellulosa 18 to 20% lower. The biggest differences are in the 25.6, 26 C-lb. and 30 7, 35.0-lb. grade weight levels. When the results are compared on an equal weight basis, the differences diminish considerably, however, the U.S. linerboards still exhibit higher cross-machine tearing strength as may be seen from the differences tabulated. It is questionable, however, whether the difference between U.S. and Enso Gutseit linerboards at the 41 C. 0-lb. grade weight level is significant.

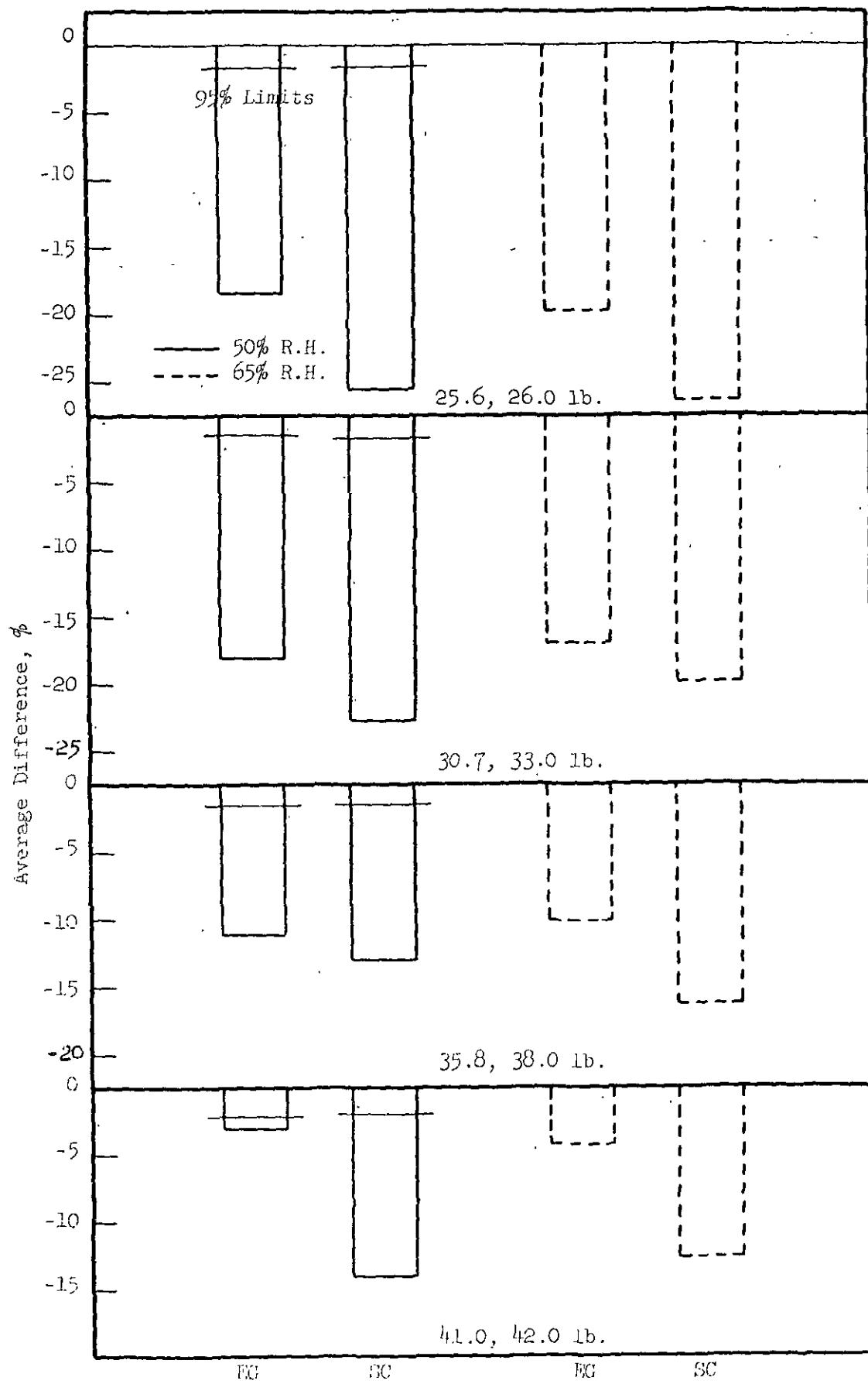


FIGURE 13c. Comparison of Average Difference in Cross-Direction
Between Prepared and U.S. Lined

Nominal Wt., lb / M sq.ft.	Difference in Cross-Machine Tearing Strength, % ^a					
	50% R.H.			65% R.H.		
	U.S. Linerboard C.D. Tearing Strength Factor	E.G.	S.C.	U.S. Linerboard C.D. Tearing Strength Factor	E.G.	S.C.
26.0	8.93	-13.8	-21.9	10.07	-17.4	-23.1
33.0	8.08	-10.0	-12.7	9.58	-8.5	-9.2
38.0	8.73	-6.5	-8.5	9.68	-5.7	-10.7
42.0	8.50	-0.1	-7.1	9.18	-1.3	-4.7
	Average	-7.6	-12.6		-8.2	-11.2

^a U.S. linerboard results used as reference

In view of the behavior of the three types of linerboard relative to Elmendorf tearing strength, it would be expected that U.S. linerboards would also give higher torsion tear performance. This is the case as may be seen from the differences tabulated (see Tables XXXIII and XXXIV) and illustrated graphically in Fig. 21 and 22.

Nominal Wt., lb / M sq.ft.	Difference in Torsion Tear Strength, % ^a					
	In-Machine			Cross-Machine		
	U.S. Linerboard Torsion Tear, unit	E.G.	S.C.	U.S. Linerboard Torsion Tear, unit	E.G.	S.C.
50% R.H.						
26.0	50	-12.0	-10.0	56	-14.3	-7.1
33.0	60	-16.7	-8.3	74	-25.7	-29.7
38.0	71	-29.6	-9.9	83	-28.9	-21.7
42.0	79	-15.1	-11.4	86	-16.3	-22.1
	Average	-18.5	-9.5		-21.3	-20.2

^a U.S. linerboard results used as reference

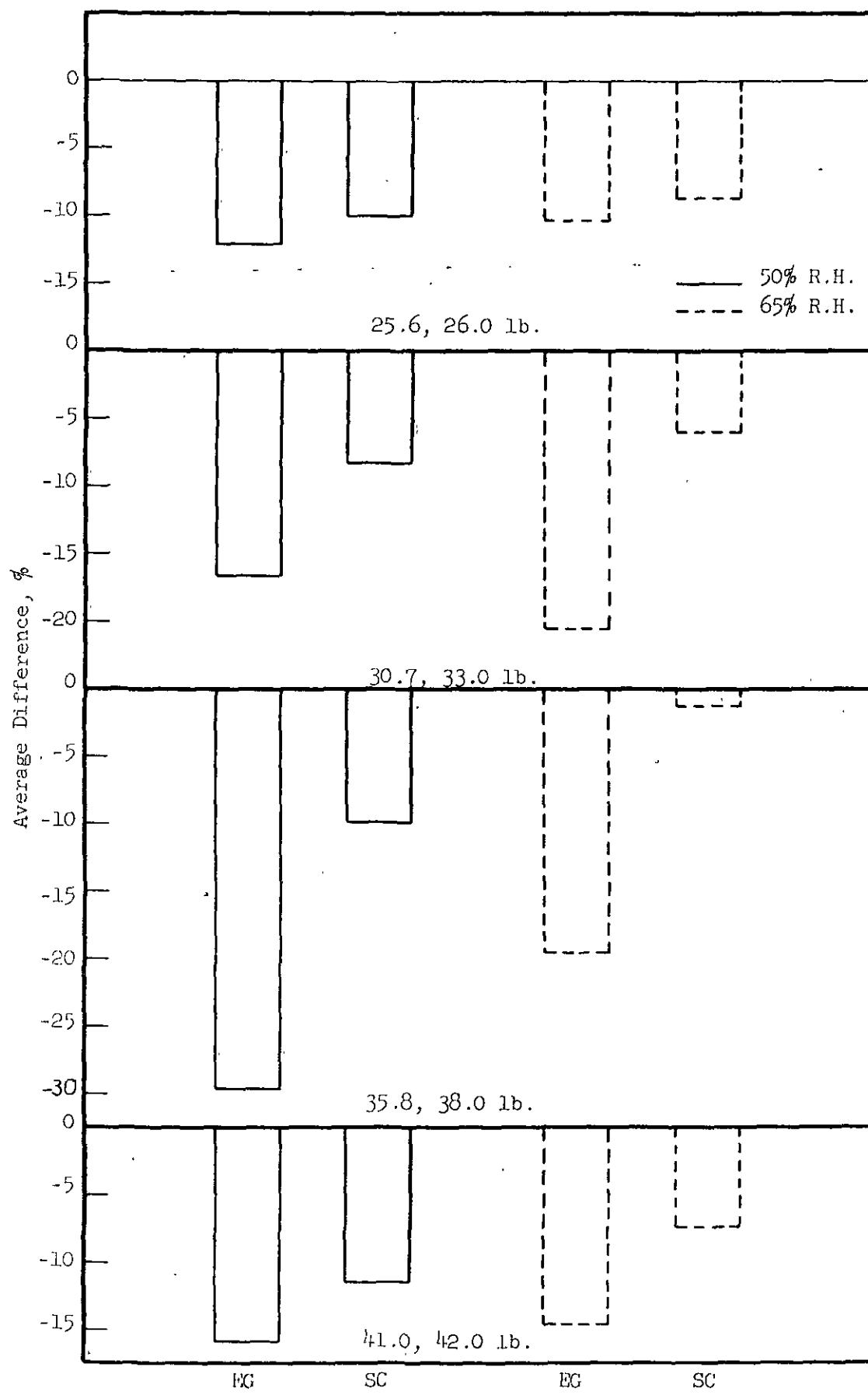


Figure 21. Comparison of Average Difference in Machine-Direction Tension Test of European and U.S. Linerboards

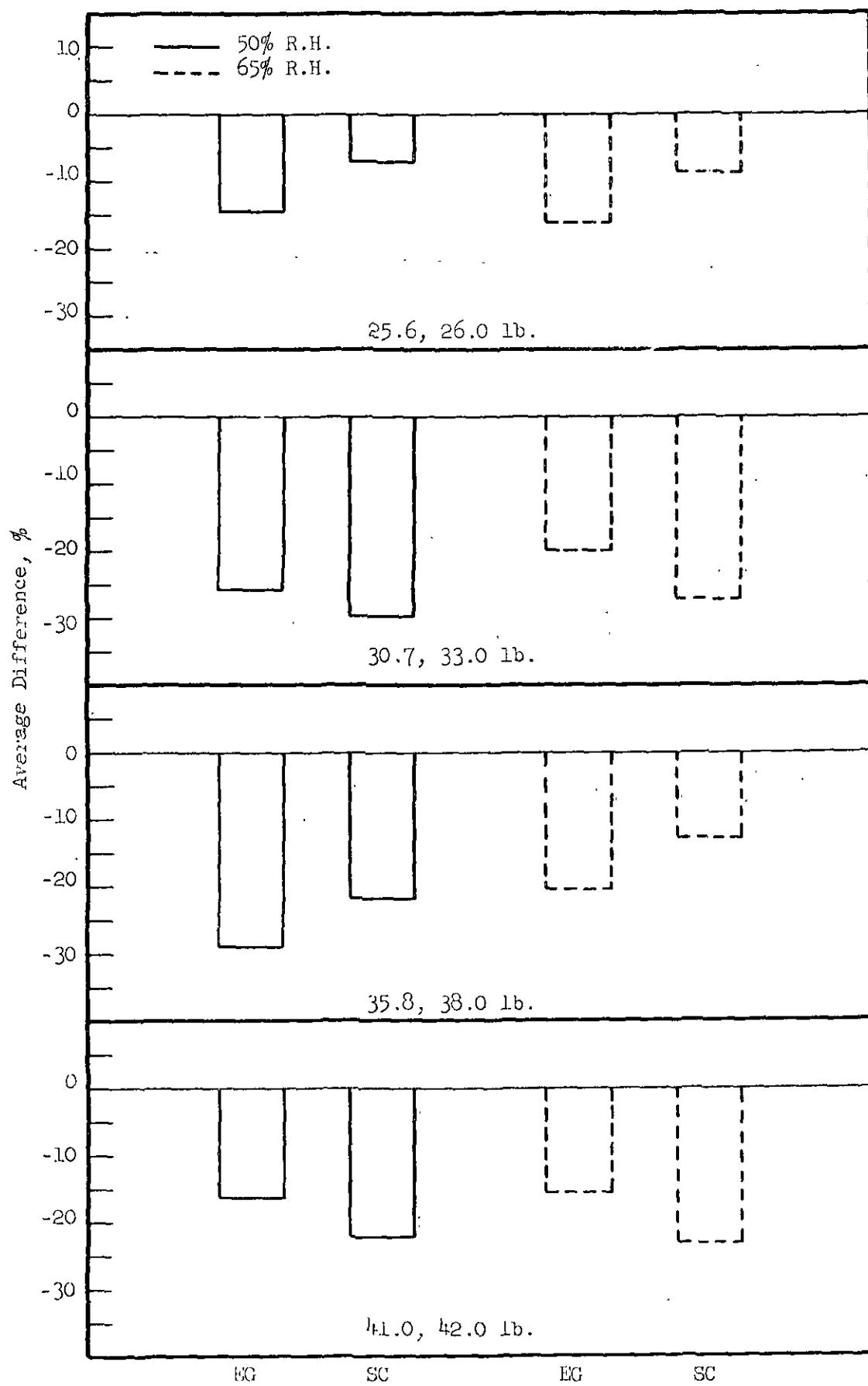


Figure 22. Comparison of Average Difference in Cross-Direction Tension Strength of European and U.S. Linerboards

Nominal Wt., lb / M sq.ft	Difference in Torsion Tear Strength, % ^a					
	In-Machine			Cross-Machine		
U.S. Linerboard Torsion Tear, unit	E.G.	S.C.	U.S. Linerboard Torsion Tear, unit	E.G.	S.C.	
65% R.H.						
26.0	.58	-10.3	-8.6	68	-16.2	-8.8
33.0	68	-20.6	-5.9	85	-20.0	-27.1
38.0	77	-19.5	-1.3	94	-20.2	-12.8
42.0	83	-14.6	-7.3	104	-15.4	-23.1
Average		-16.3	-5.7		-18.0	-18.0

^aU.S. linerboard results used as reference.

On an average basis, U.S. linerboards are 16 to 18% higher in machine-direction torsion tear than the corresponding Enso Gutseit linerboards. In contrast, U.S. linerboards are only 5 to 10% higher than Svenska Cellulosa linerboards. When cross-machine strengths are considered, it may be seen that U.S. linerboards are 18 to 21% higher than the European linerboards. Converting the results to a unit weight basis reduces the differences; in most instances, U.S. linerboards are still higher. However, some of the differences between U.S. and Svenska Cellulosa linerboards on a unit weight basis may not be significant.

The puncture strength of the linerboards (see Tables XXXIII and XXXIV) exhibit a trend similar to those just described for Elmendorf tearing strength and torsion tear strength in that the U.S. linerboards generally give higher test values. As may be seen in the following tabulation of per cent difference and in Fig. 23 and 24 the superiority of U.S. linerboards is greatest at the two lower grade weight levels.

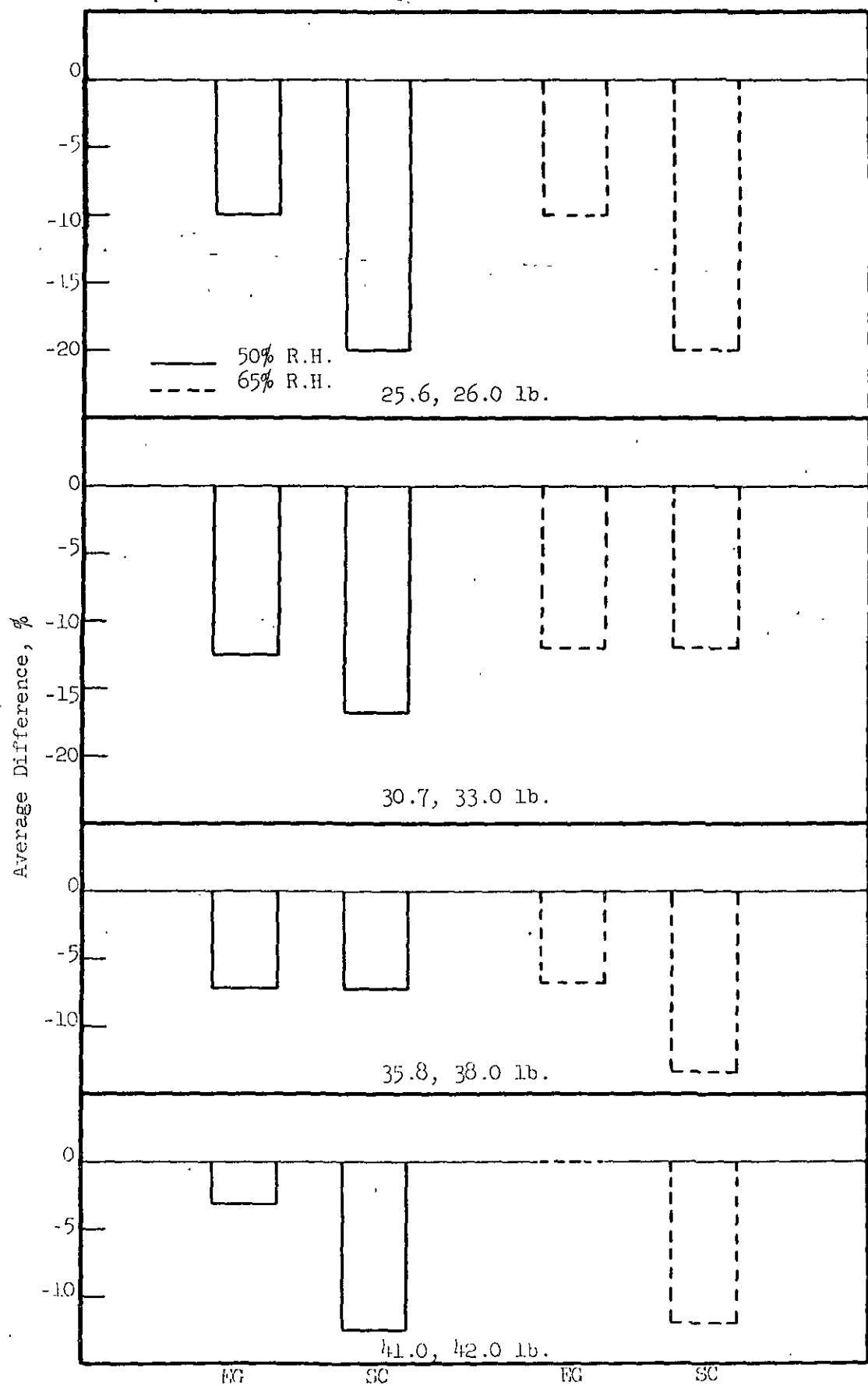


Figure 23. Comparison of Average Difference in Machine-Direction Puncture of European and U.S. Linerboards

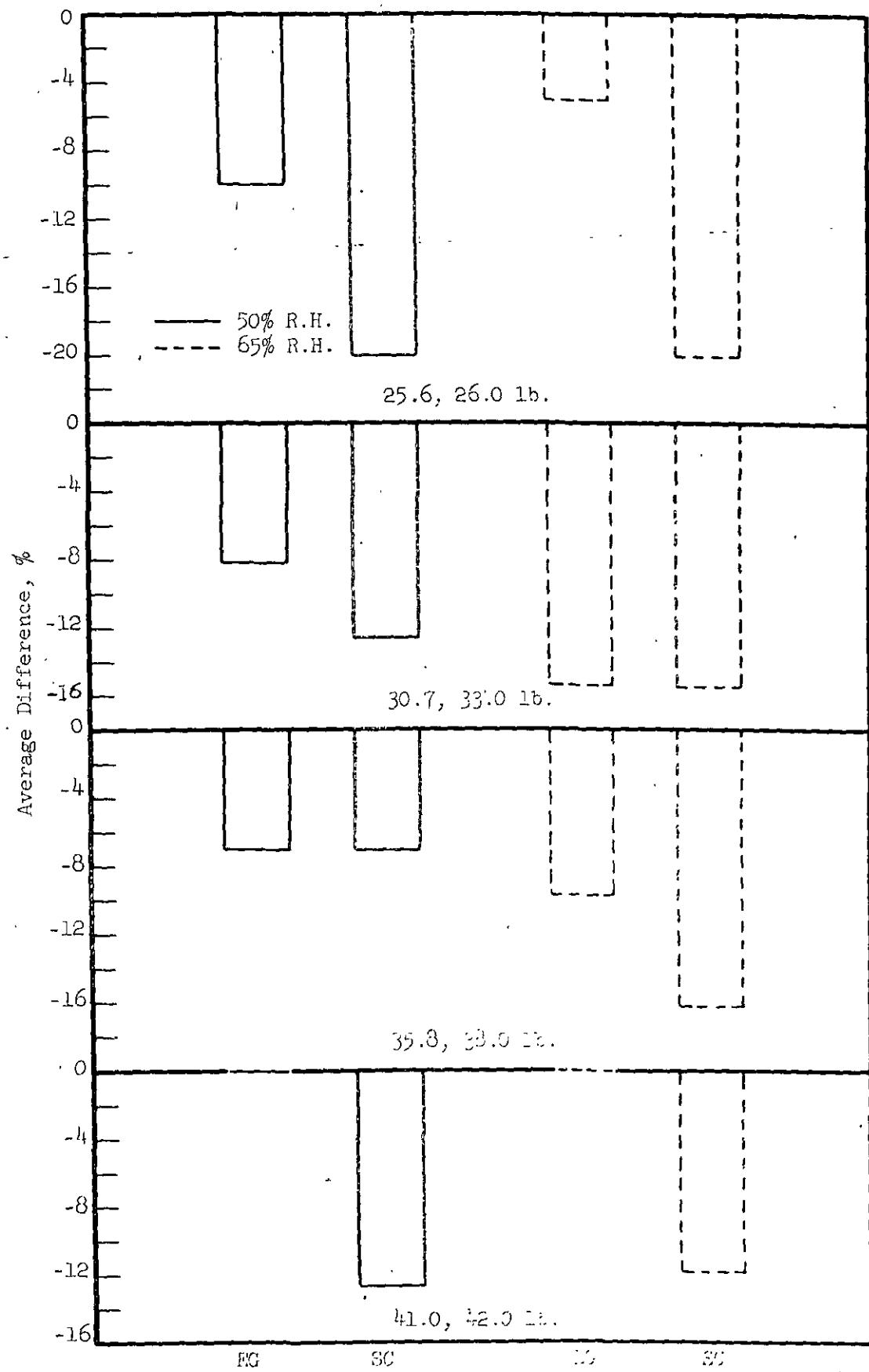


Figure 24. Comparison of Average Difference in Cross-Sectional
Puncture of European and U.S. Lignocelluloses.

Nominal Wt., lb / M sq.ft	Difference in Puncture Strength, % ^a					
	In-Machine			Cross-Machine		
	U.S. Linerboard Puncture, unit	E G	S C	U.S. Linerboard Puncture, unit	E G	S.C.
50% R.H.						
26.0	20	-10.0	-20.0	20	-10.0	-20.0
33.0	24	-12.5	-16.7	24	-8.3	-12.5
38.0	28	-7.1	-7.1	28	-7.1	-7.1
42.0	32	-3.1	-12.5	32	0.0	-12.5
Average		-8.2	-14.1		-8.2	-14.1
65% R.H.						
26.0	20	-10.0	-20.0	20	-5.0	-20.0
33.0	25	-12.0	-12.0	26	-15.4	-15.4
38.0	30	-6.7	-13.3	31	-9.7	-16.1
42.0	34	0.0	-11.8	34	0.0	-11.8
Average		-7.2	-14.3		-7.5	-15.8

^a U.S. linerboard results used as reference

Because of the lower basis weight associated with the European linerboards, converting the puncture results to a unit weight basis has the effect of decreasing the differences noted above. In most instances the U.S. linerboards exhibit higher puncture on an equal weight basis than European linerboards.

The modified ring compression test is a measure of the edgewise compression strength of the components and is considered to be an important cross-machine direction property of linerboard and corrugating medium from the standpoint of top-load compression. It was shown earlier that the cross-machine edgewise compression strength of the corrugated board is the most important combined board

property in so far as top-load box compression is concerned. It has been found that, as a first approximation, the edgewise compression strength of corrugated board in the cross-machine direction is equal to the sum of the cross-machine direction edgewise compression (modified ring compression) strength of the components --i.e., the sum of this test property for the single-face linerboard, double-face linerboard, and corrugating medium corrected or draw. In so far as end-load compression is concerned, machine-direction edgewise compression strength of corrugated board is the most important combined board property. However, machine-direction combined board edgewise compression strength is not equal to the sum of the machine-direction modified ring compression results for the components because failure in combined board stressed in the machine direction manifests itself as interflute buckling instead of compression of the linerboard, especially of the single-face linerboard; consequently, flexural stiffness of the linerboard in the machine direction and not its edgewise compression strength is of greater import in consideration of end-load compression and is related to machine-direction edgewise compression of combined board as indicated below:

$$P_{mx} = k(D_x/W)^2)^{0.5} \quad (3)$$

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P_{mx} = machine-direction edgewise compression of combined board, lb./in.

k = constant

D_x = flexural stiffness of linerboard in machine direction, lb.-in.

W = distance between flute tips, in.

The differences in machine-direction modified ring compression tabulated in Tables XXXIII and XXXIV are listed as follows and graphed in Fig. 25:

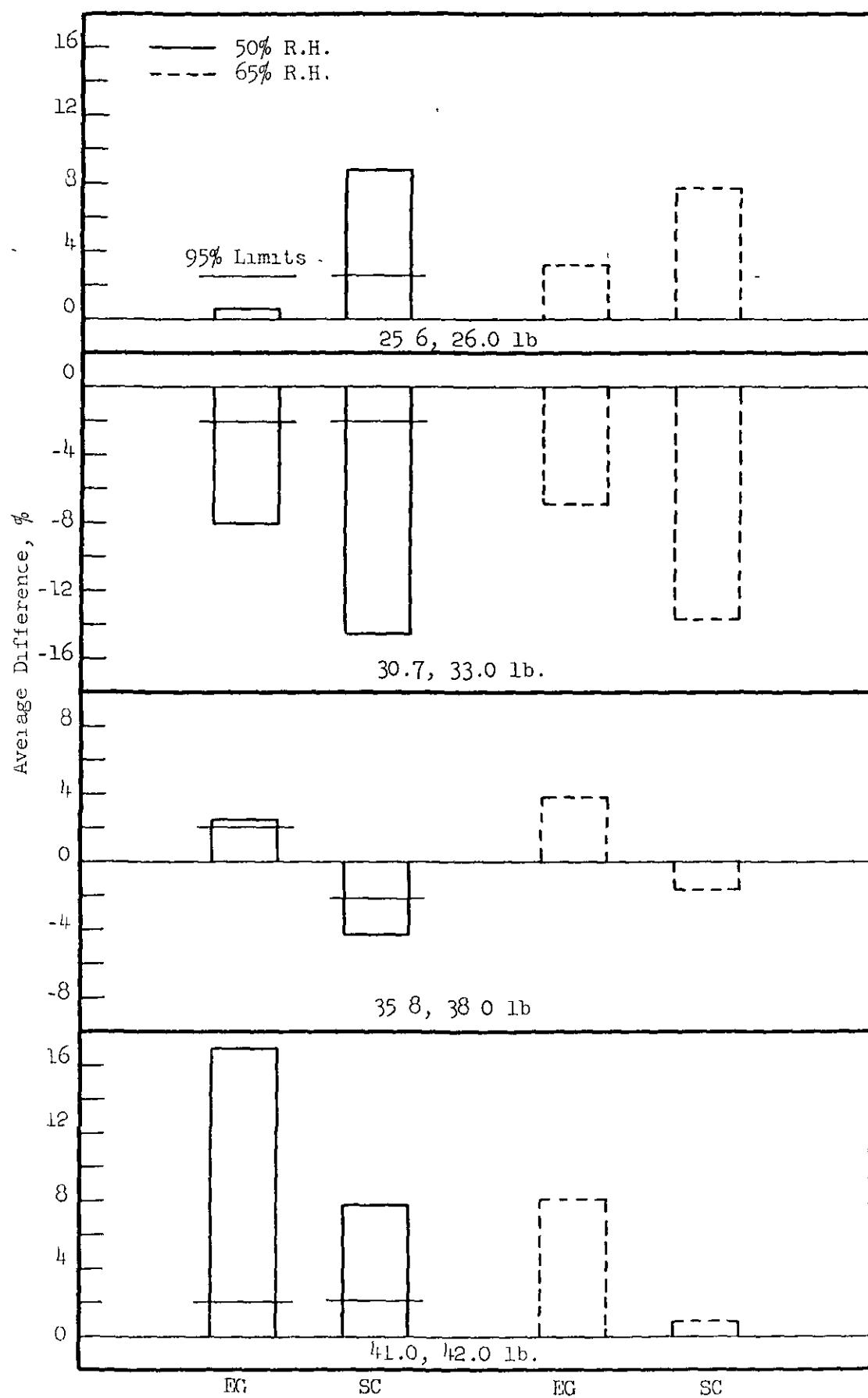


Figure 2^b Comparison of Average Difference in Machine-Direction Modified Ring Compression of European and U.S. Linerboards

Difference in Machine-Direction Modified Ring Compression Strength, %^a

Nominal Wt., lb. K.g./m ²	50% R.H.			65% R.H.		
	U.S. Linerboard		U.S. Linerboard		U.S. Linerboard	
	M.D. Modified	M.D. Modified	Ring Compression, lb./in.	Ring Compression, lb./in.	E.G.	S.C.
25.6	16.6	+0.6 (NS)	+8.8 (.05)	15.4	+3.2	+7.8
30.7	23.1	-8.1 (.01)	-14.5 (.01)	23.2	-6.9	-13.8
33.0	24.0	+2.5 (.01)	-4.2 (.01)	23.7	+3.8	-1.7
41.0	19.3	+17.1 (.01)	+7.8 (.01)	20.8	+8.2	+1.0
Average		+3.0	-0.5		+2.1	-1.7

U.S. Linerboard results used as reference.

It may be noted that at the 25.6, 26.0-lb. grade weight level the European linerboard exhibits lower machine-direction modified ring compression strength than the European linerboards; however, the difference between U.S. and European linerboard is not significant and the corresponding difference between U.S. and Svenska Cellulosa linerboard is significant only at the 5% level. At the 30.7, 33.0-lb. grade weight level, the U.S. linerboards exhibit slightly higher results than the European linerboards. At the 35.8, 36.0-lb. grade weight level the results for Enso Gutseit linerboard are significantly higher than the results for U.S. linerboard, and the results for Svenska Cellulosa linerboard significantly lower. At the 41.0, 42.0-lb. grade weight level the linerboard used in this study is associated with modified ring compression strengths significantly lower than the results for the corresponding European linerboards, the greater disparity being with the Enso Gutseit liner-

The average differences in cross-machine modified ring compression strength are shown in the following tabulation (see Table XXXIII and XXXIV) and illustrated in Fig. 26

Nominal Wt., lb./ M sq.ft	Difference in Cross-Machine Modified Ring Compression, % ^a					
	50% R.H.			65% R.H.		
	U.S. Linerboard C D Modified Ring Compression, lb/in	E.G.	S.C.	U.S. Linerboard C D Modified Ring Compression, lb/in	E.G.	S.C.
26.0	11.7	-0.9 (NS)	+2.6 (NS)	10.8	-1.9	+0.9
33.0	16.0	-5.0 (.05)	-11.2 (.01)	14.9	-4.7	-6.0
38.0	15.6	+14.1 (.01)	+5.8 (.01)	14.6	+13.7	+9.6
42.0	15.4	+7.8 (.01)	+3.9 (.05)	15.8	+11.4	+2.5
	Average	+4.0	+0.3		+4.6	+4.5

^a U.S. linerboard results used as reference.

It may be noted that, as in the case of machine-direction modified ring compression strength at the 25.6, 26.0-lb. grade weight level, there is no highly significant difference in cross-machine modified ring compression strength between U.S. and European linerboards. At the 30.7, 33.0-lb. grade weight level, U.S. linerboard gives slightly higher results than European linerboards. At the 35.8, 38.0-lb. and 41.0, 42.0-lb. grade weight levels the U.S. linerboards are lower in cross-machine modified ring compression strength than the European linerboards.

Taper stiffness, a measure of flexural stiffness, is of secondary importance in top-load compression but of primary importance in end-load box compression. As previously described, the machine-direction edgewise compression strength of corrugated combined board, which is the most important combined board property

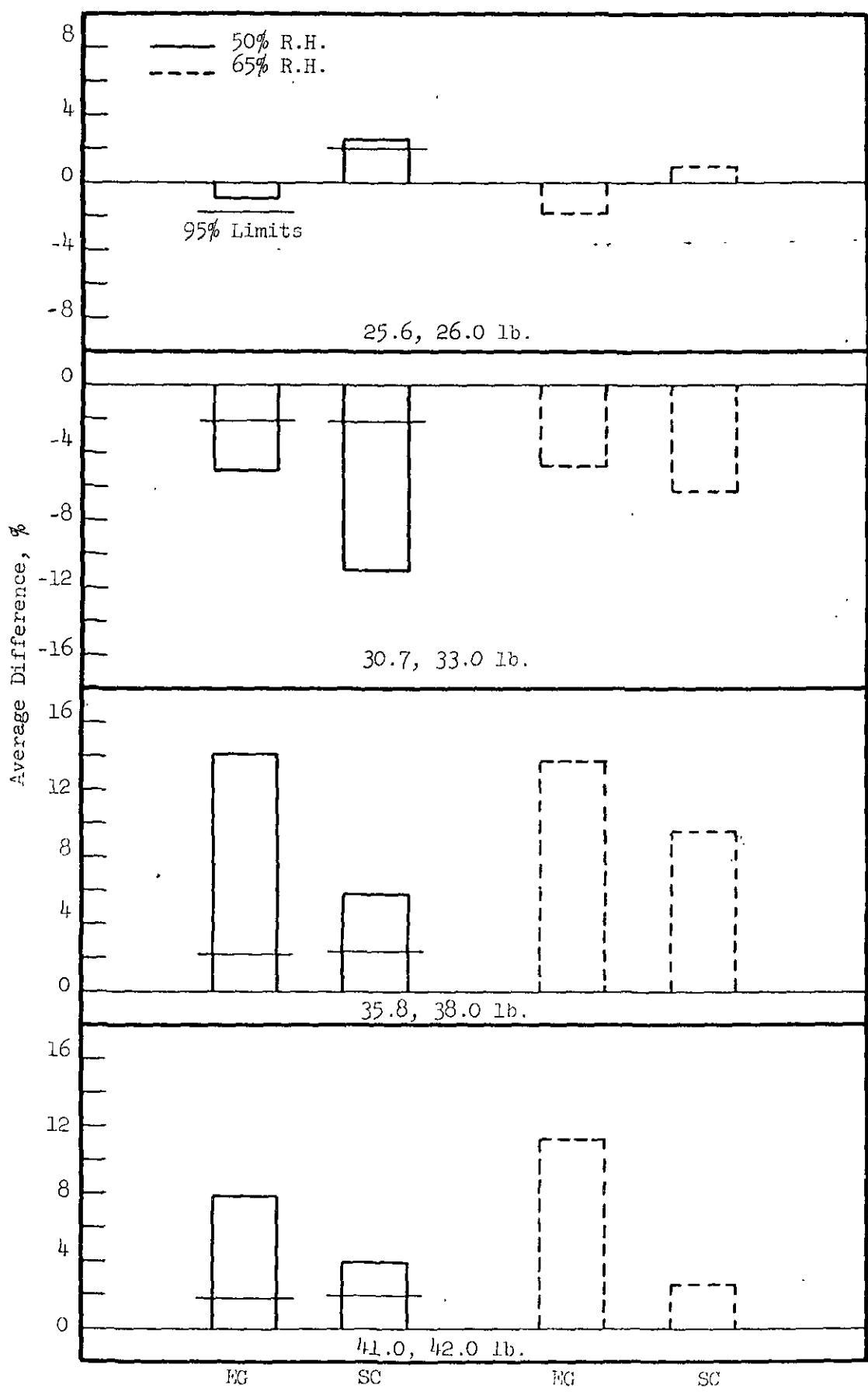


Figure 26. Comparison of Average Difference in Cross-Direction
Modified from Comparison of Paper Properties

in so far as end-load box compression is concerned, is governed by the machine-direction flexural stiffness of the linerboard and the distance between flute tips. Flexural stiffness, both in and cross, enter into top-load compression through their secondary influence on the cross-machine edgewise compression strength of combined board.

The machine-direction Taber stiffnesses are tabulated in Tables XXXIII and XXXIV. For the purpose of comparison the average differences in Taber stiffness results between U.S. and European linerboards are listed as follows and graphically presented in Fig. 27.

Nominal Wt., lb./M sq.ft	Average Differences in Machine-Direction Taber Stiffness, % ^a					
	50% R.H.			65% R.H.		
	U.S. Linerboard	M.D. Taber	S.C.	U.S. Linerboard	M.D. Taber	S.C.
26.0	26	-23.1 (.01)	-15.4 (.01)	25	-20.0	-12.0
33.0	40	-7.5 (NS)	+5.0 (NS)	38	0.0	+10.5
38.0	53	0.0 (-)	-9.4 (.01)	52	+3.8	-7.7
42.0	66	+14.7 (.01)	+23.5 (.01)	68	+20.6	+27.9
	Average	-4.0	+0.9		+1.1	+4.7

^a U.S. linerboard results used as reference.

It may be seen that at the 25.6, 26.0-lb. grade weight level, the U.S. linerboard gives significantly higher flexural stiffness (Taber) than the competitive grade weights of European linerboards. At the 30.7, 33.0-lb. grade weight level there is no significant difference between U.S. and European linerboards. At the 35.8, 38.0-lb. grade weight level there is no significant difference between U.S. and Enso Gutzeit linerboards, however, the Svenska Cellulosa

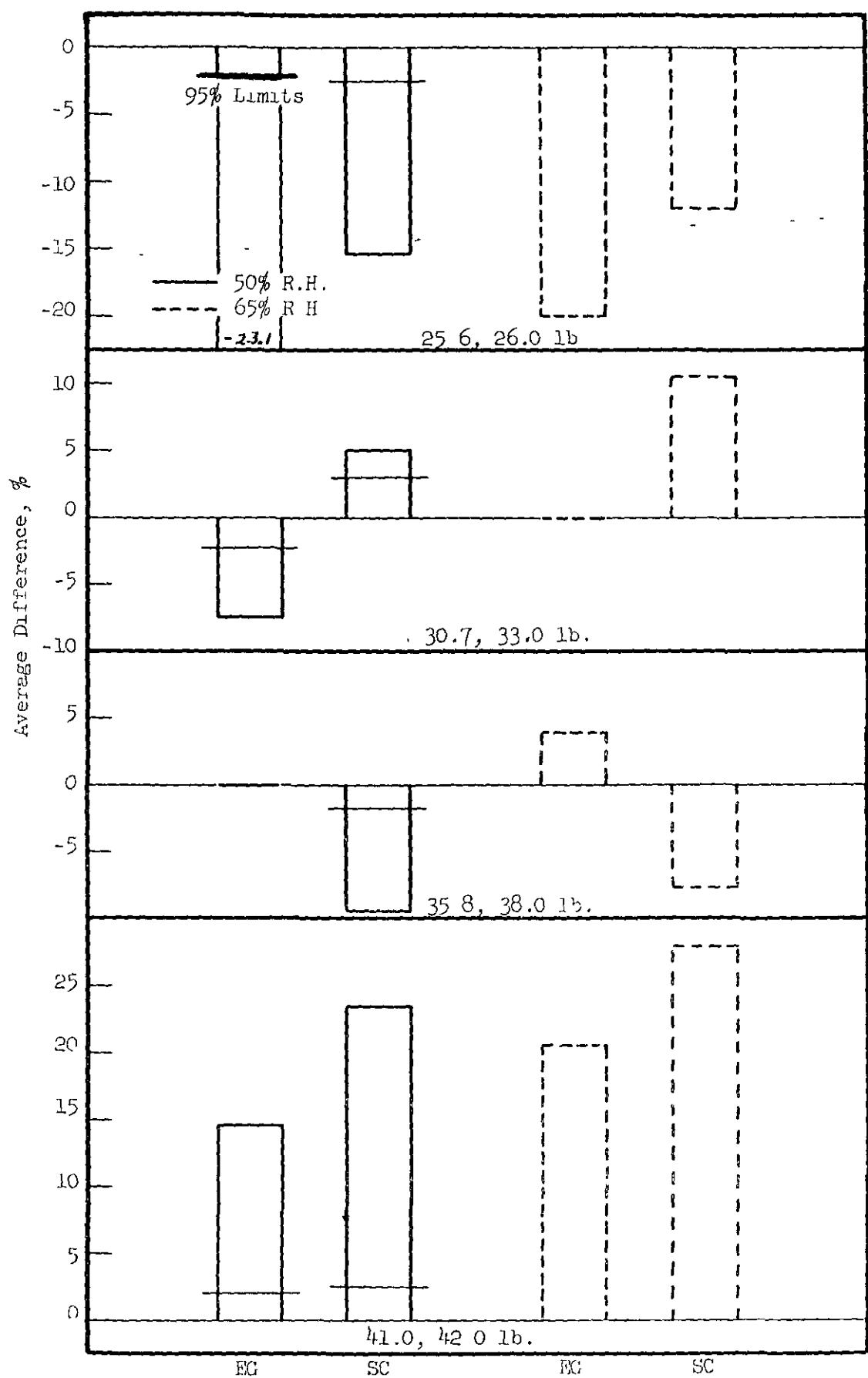


Figure D7 Comparison of Average Difference in Machine-Direction

linerboards are significantly lower. At the 41.0, 42.0-lb grade weight level the U.S. linerboard gives significantly lower (15 to 30%) Taber stiffness than the European linerboards.

The average differences in cross-machine Taber stiffness are tabulated as follows (see Tables XXXIII and XXXIV) and illustrated in Fig. 28

Nominal Wt., lb./M sq.ft.	U.S. Linerboard C.D. Taber Stiffness, g.cm.	Average Difference in Cross-Machine Taber Stiffness, % ^a		65% R.H.	
		50% R.H.	65% R.H.	U.S. Linerboard C.D. Taber Stiffness, g.cm.	E.G. S.C.
26.0	10	-20.0 (.05)	-20.0 (NS)	10	-40.0 -30.0
33.0	14	-7.1 (.05)	0.0 (NS)	14	-14.3 0.0
38.0	16	+31.2 (.01)	+12.5 (.01)	16	+25.0 +6.2
42.0	23	+30.4 (.01)	+17.4 (.01)	24	+25.0 +4.2
	Average	+8.6	+2.5		-1.1 -4.9

^aU.S. linerboard results used as reference.

It may be observed that at the 25.6, 26.0-lb grade weight level the U.S. linerboard gives higher cross-machine Taber stiffness results than the European linerboards. There appears to be no difference between U.S. and Svenska Cellulosa linerboards at the 30.7, 33.0-lb grade weight level, however, the U.S. linerboard gives higher results than Enso Gutseit linerboard. At the 35.8, 38.0-lb. and 41.0, 42.0-lb grade weights the U.S. linerboards are lower than the corresponding European linerboards.

The difference in tensile properties between U.S. and European linerboards may be seen from the results tabulated in Tables XXXIII and XXXIV. For

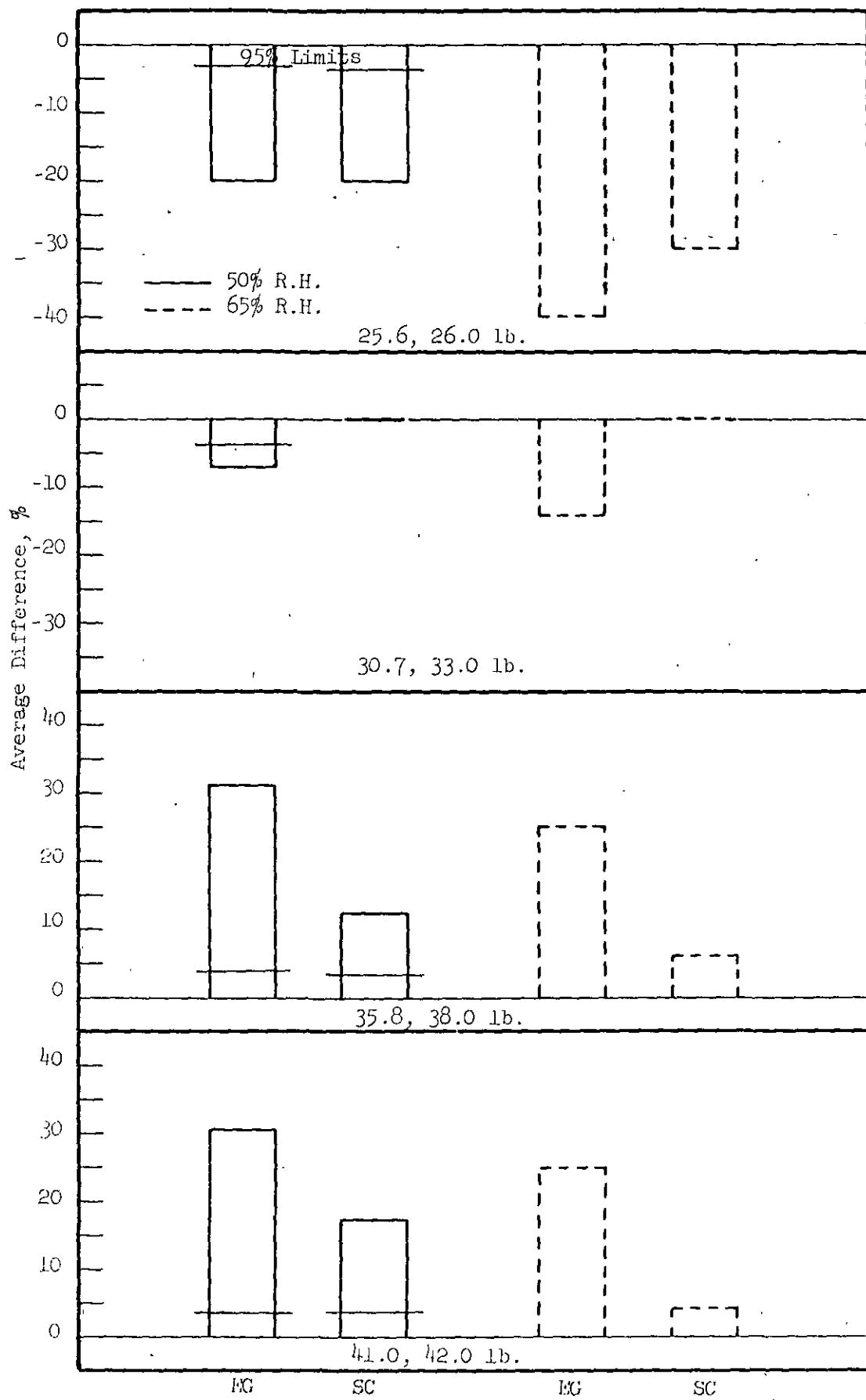


Figure 7A Comparison of Average Difference in Cross-Direction
at 50% and 65% relative humidity

the purpose of comparison the average differences in machine-direction tensile strength are given as follows and are graphically illustrated in Fig. 29:

Nominal Wt., lb./ M sq.ft.	Average Difference in Machine-Direction Tensile Strength, % ^a					
	50% R.H.			65% R.H.		
U.S. Linerboard M.D. Tensile Strength, lb./in.	E.G.	S.C.	U.S. Linerboard M.D. Tensile Strength, lb./in.	E.G.	S.C.	
26.0	57.0	+39.6	+57.5	52.8	+42.8	+66.3
33.0	86.6	+23.6	+13.2	81.5	+22.0	+11.7
38.0	86.0	+35.8	+29.1	80.4	+35.2	+28.1
42.0	95.2	+31.7	+32.8	89.5	+29.2	+30.9
Average		+32.8	+33.5		+32.3	+34.3

^aU.S. linerboard results used as reference.

It may be seen that the U.S. linerboards are significantly lower in machine-direction tensile strength than the European linerboards. The differences range from 12 to 66%. The biggest difference is at the 25.6, 26.0-lb. grade weight level and the smallest difference is at the 30.7, 33.0-lb. grade weight level. When the machine direction tensile strength results are calculated on a unit weight basis, the differences between U.S. and European linerboards increase, as would be expected, because of the lower weight of the European linerboards.

The cross-machine tensile strength results are shown in the following table in terms of average differences and are illustrated in Fig. 30:

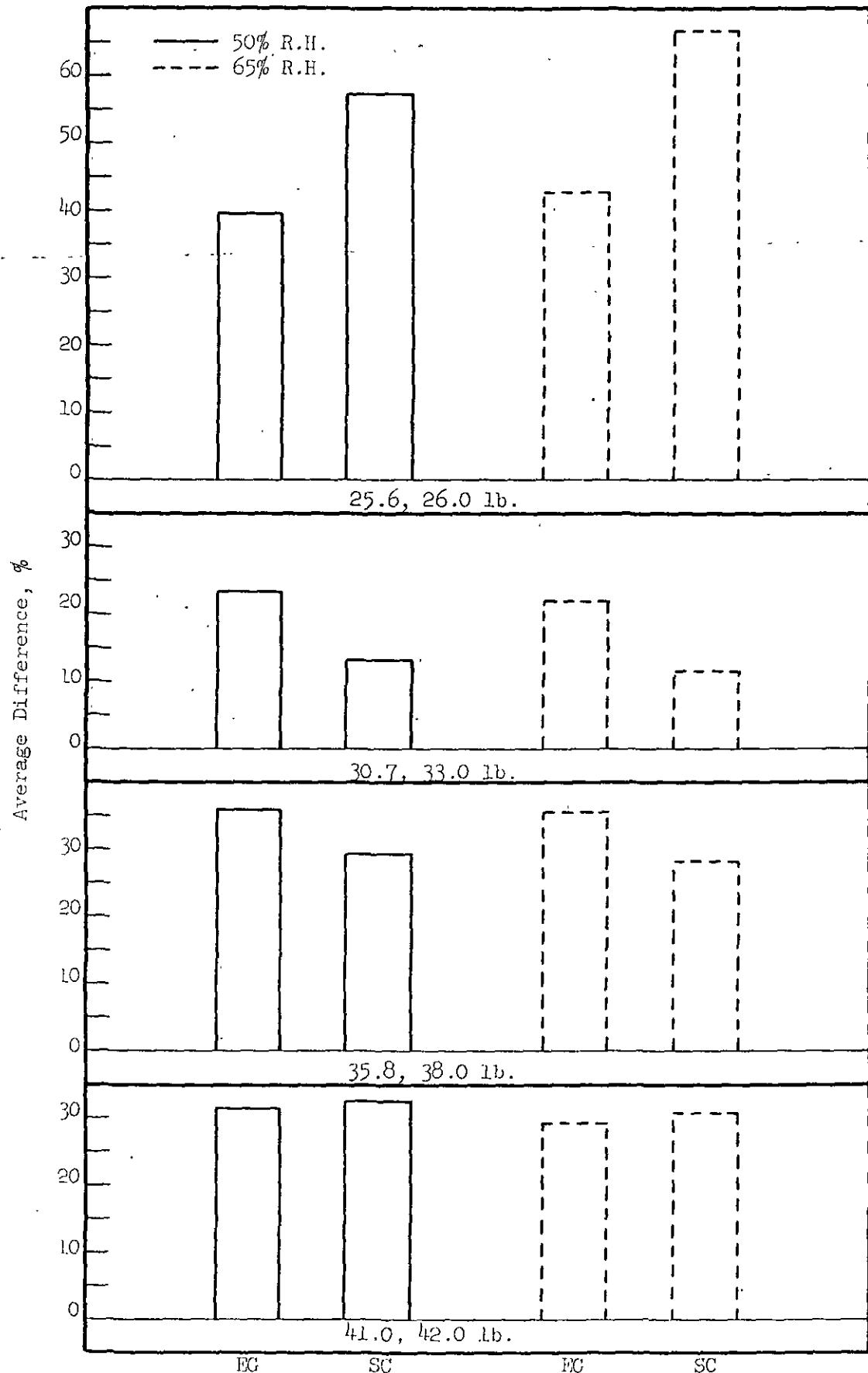


Figure 29. Comparison of Average Difference in Machine-Direction
Moisture Content of European and U.S. Linerboards

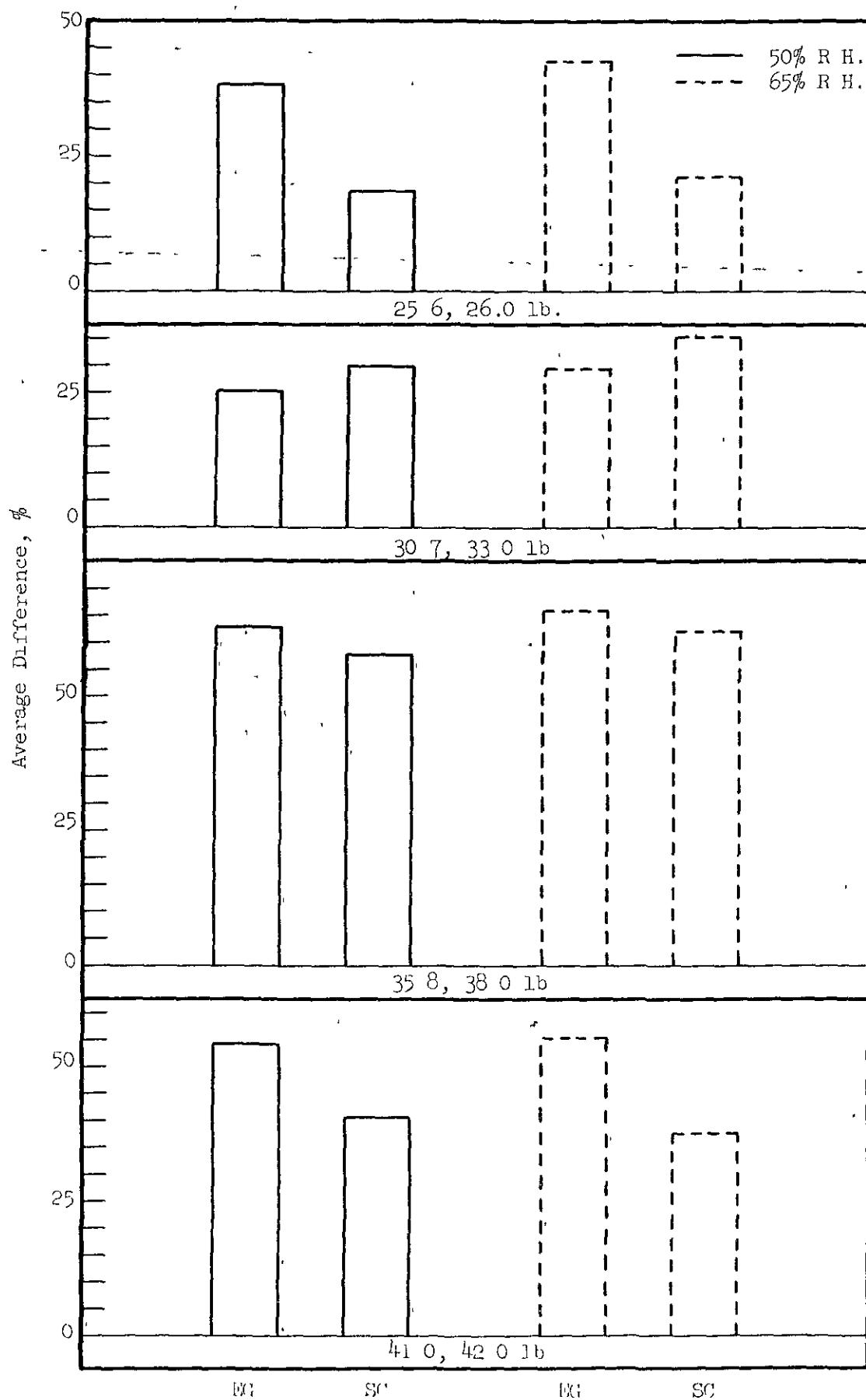


Figure 30 Comparison of Average Difference in Cross-Direction
Percentile Strength of European and U.S. Linerboards

Nominal Wt., lb./ M sq.ft.	Average Difference in Cross-Machine Tensile Strength, % ^a					
	50% R.H.			65% R.H.		
	U.S. Linerboard C.D. Tensile Strength, lb./in.	E.G.	S.C.	U.S. Linerboard C.D. Tensile Strength, lb./in.	E.G.	S.C.
26.0	57.0	+37.8	+18.9	52.8	+43.3	+21.6
33.0	86.6	+25.2	+29.8	81.5	+28.7	+33.3
38.0	86.0	+63.3	+58.5	80.4	+65.9	+62.2
42.0	95.2	+54.1	+41.0	89.5	+55.1	+37.2
	Average	+45.1	+37.0		+48.2	+38.6

^aU.S. linerboard results used as reference.

As in the case of the machine-direction tensile strength, the U.S. linerboards are significantly lower in cross-machine tensile strength when compared with the European linerboards. It is believed that the greater cross-machine tensile strength is responsible for the relatively good rough handling performance of the boxes made with European linerboards even though their tearing strengths are lower than those of the corresponding U.S. linerboards. When the cross-machine tensile strengths are calculated on a unit weight basis, the differences are increased in favor of the European linerboards.

The stretch characteristics of the linerboard play an important role (a) in rough handling performance, particularly cross-machine stretch and tensile, (b) in folding at the scorelines, and (c) in flexural stiffness. For the purpose of comparison, the average differences in stretch characteristics are shown in the following table (see Tables XXXIII and XXXIV) and are graphically illustrated in Fig. 31 and 32:

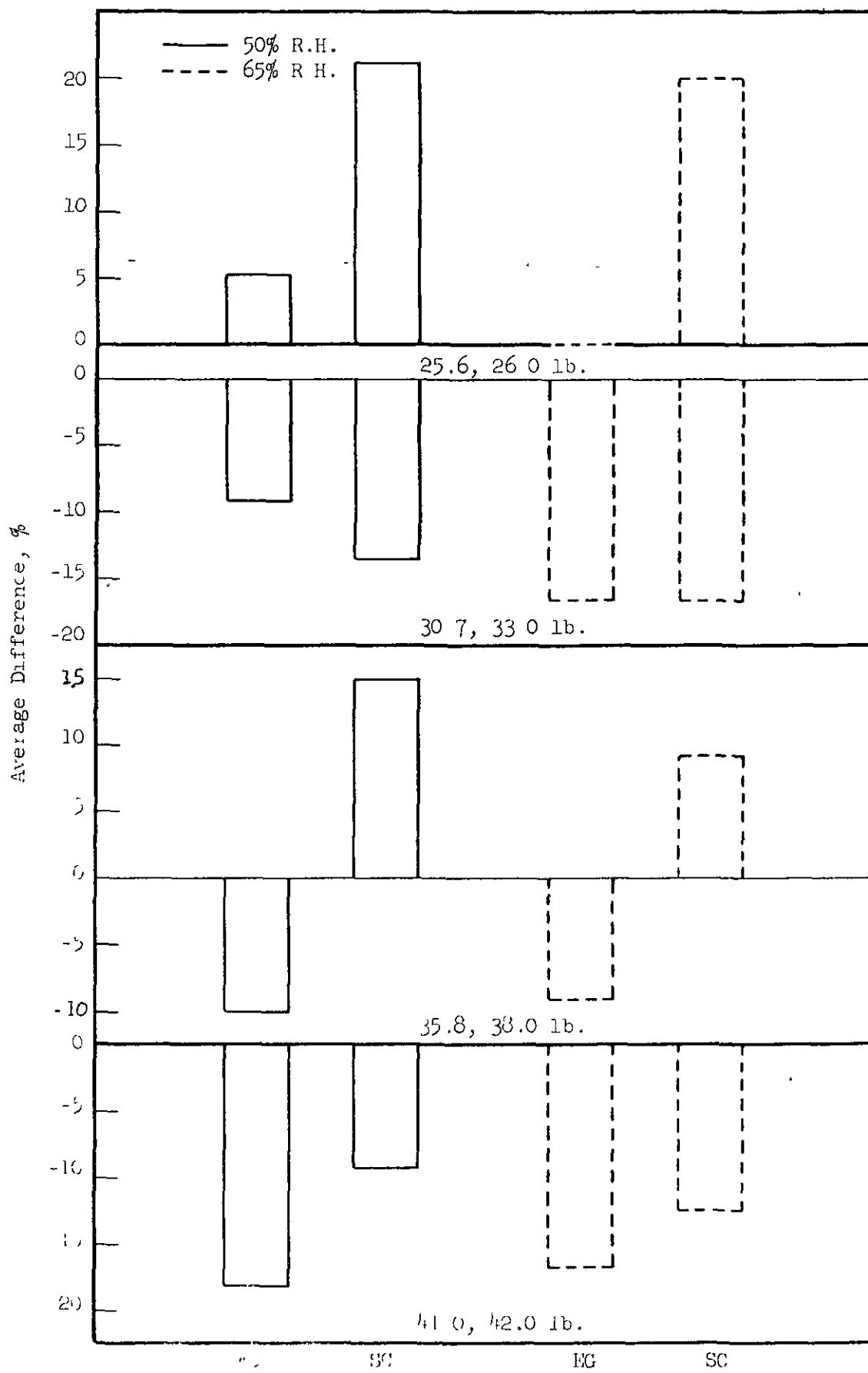


Fig. 3. Average Difference in Machine-Direction
of European and U.S. Linerboards

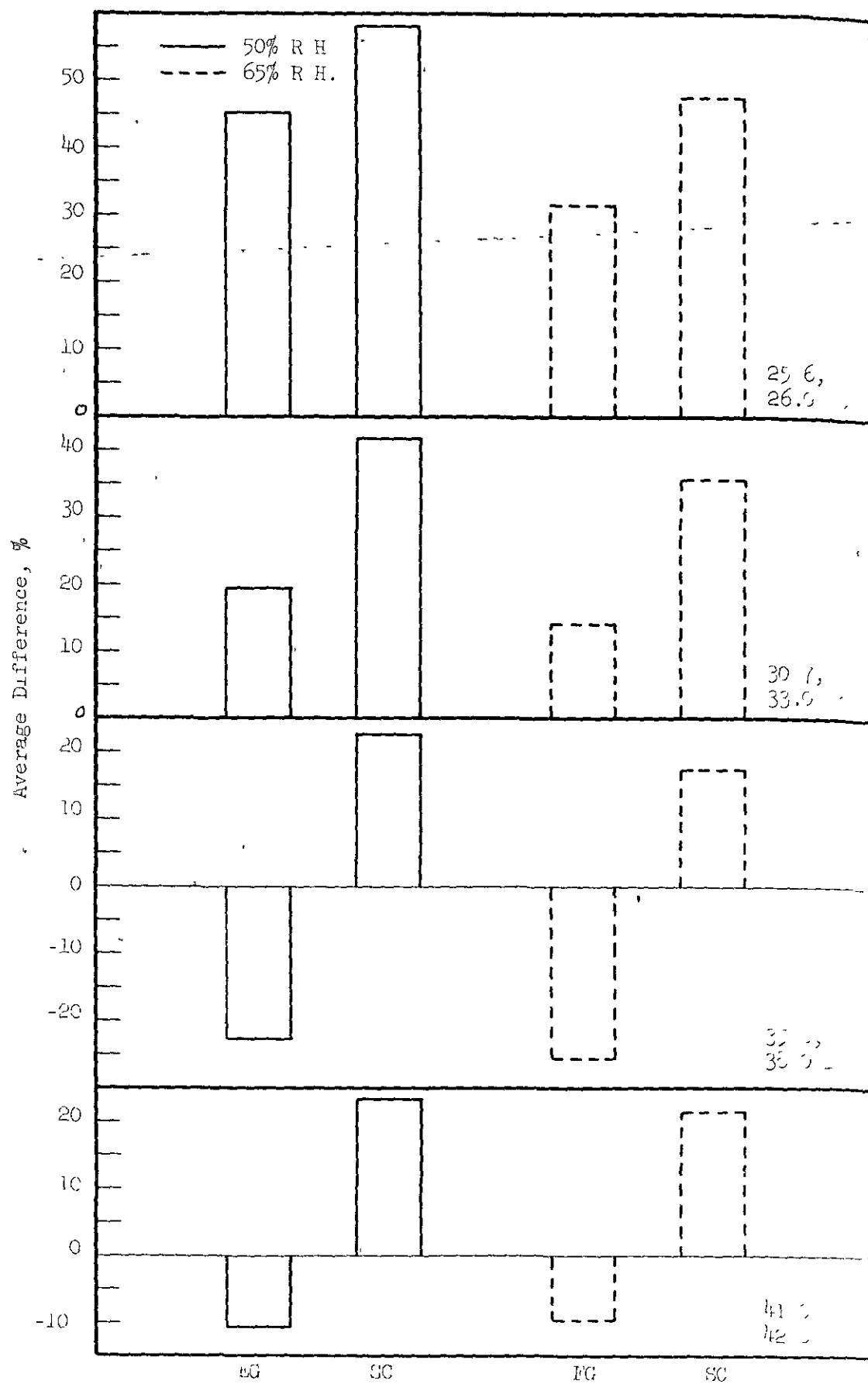


Fig. 2. Comparison of Average Difference in Cross-bridge

Nominal Wt., lb./ M sq.ft.	Average Difference in Stretch Characteristics, % ^a					
	In-Machine			Cross-Machine		
	U.S. Linerboard Stretch, %	E.G.	S.C.	U.S. Linerboard Stretch, %	E.G.	S.C.
50% R. H.						
26.0	1.8	+5.6	+22.2	3.1	+15.2	+58.1
33.0	2.2	-9.1	-13.6	3.6	+19.4	+41.7
38.0	2.0	-10.0	+15.0	4.4	-22.7	+22.7
42.0	2.2	-18.2	-9.1	3.8	-10.5	+23.7
	Average	-7.9	+3.6		+7.9	+36.6
65% R. H.						
26.0	2.0	0.0	+20.0	3.8	+31.6	+47.4
33.0	2.4	-16.7	-16.7	4.2	+14.3	+35.7
38.0	2.2	-9.1	+9.1	5.1	-25.5	+17.6
42.0	2.4	-16.7	-12.5	4.2	-9.5	+21.4
	Average	-10.6	0.0		+2.7	+30.5

^aU.S. linerboard results used as reference.

It may be observed that the U.S. linerboards have higher machine-direction stretch than the corresponding linerboards made by Enso Gutseit except possibly at the 25.6, 26.0-lb. grade weight level at which they are approximately equal. In contrast, the Svenska Cellulosa linerboards have higher stretch at the 25.6, 26.0-lb. and 35.7, 38.0-lb. grade weight levels but lower stretch characteristics at the 30.7, 33.0-lb. and 41.0, 42.0-lb. grade weight levels.

When cross-machine stretch is considered, it may be noted that the U.S. linerboards have higher stretch than the Enso Gutseit linerboards at the 35.7, 38.0-lb. and 41.0, 42.0-lb. grade weight levels, but lower stretch at the two lowest grade weight levels. In contrast, the U.S. linerboards have lower

cross-machine stretch at all four grade weight levels than the Svenska Cellulosa linerboards

The modulus of elasticity is defined as the ratio of stress to strain. It is an important factor in flexural stiffness which is functionally related to EI where E is the modulus of elasticity and I is the moment of inertia. E is a material property dependent upon bonding, fiber length, etc., whereas I is a configurational property dependent on shape of cross section and dimensions. Modulus of elasticity of linerboard plays an important role, because of its relationship to flexural stiffness of combined board and the machine-direction edgewise compression strength of combined board.

The moduli of elasticity are given in Tables XXXIII and XXXIV. For purposes of comparison the average differences in elastic moduli are given in the following tabulation and graphically illustrated in Fig. 33 and 34, respectively, for machine and cross-machine directions:

Nominal Wt., lb / M sq. ft	Average Differences in Elastic Moduli, % ^a					
	In-Machine			Cross-Machine		
	U.S. Linerboard Modulus or Elasticity, lb /sq. in. $\times 10^3$	E.G.	S.C.	U.S. Linerboard Modulus of Elasticity, lb /sq. in. $\times 10^3$	E.G.	S.C.
50% R.H.						
26.0	647	+52.9	+60.7	271	+35.1	+18.8
33.0	870	+33.8	+3.1	354	+20.9	-2.3
38.0	782	+42.5	+22.8	279	+68.5	+35.5
42.0	771	+37.5	+22.3	300	+51.3	+10.3

^a U.S. Linerboard results used as reference

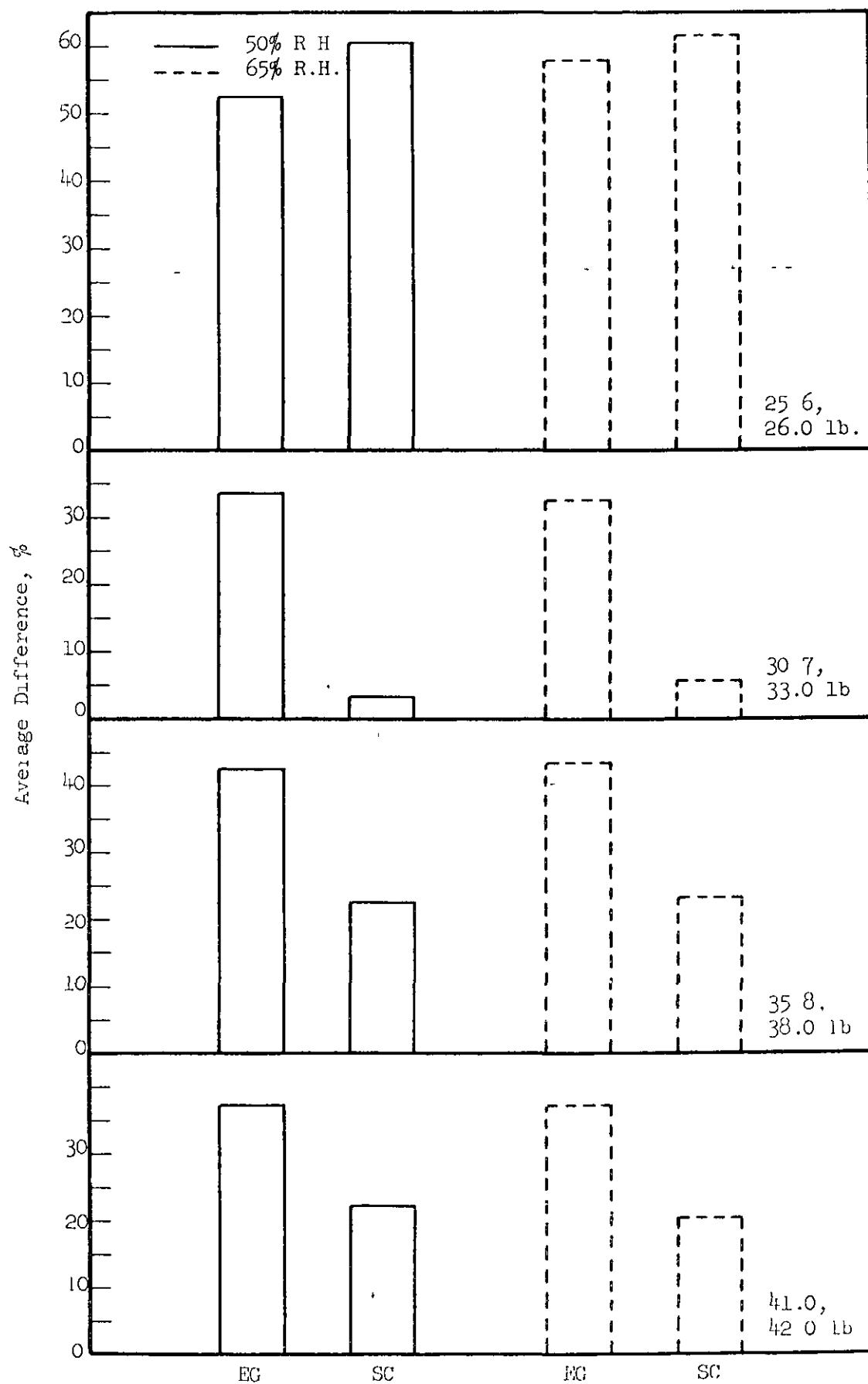


Figure 33 Comparison of Average Difference in Machine-Direction Modulus of Elasticity of European and U.S. Linerboards

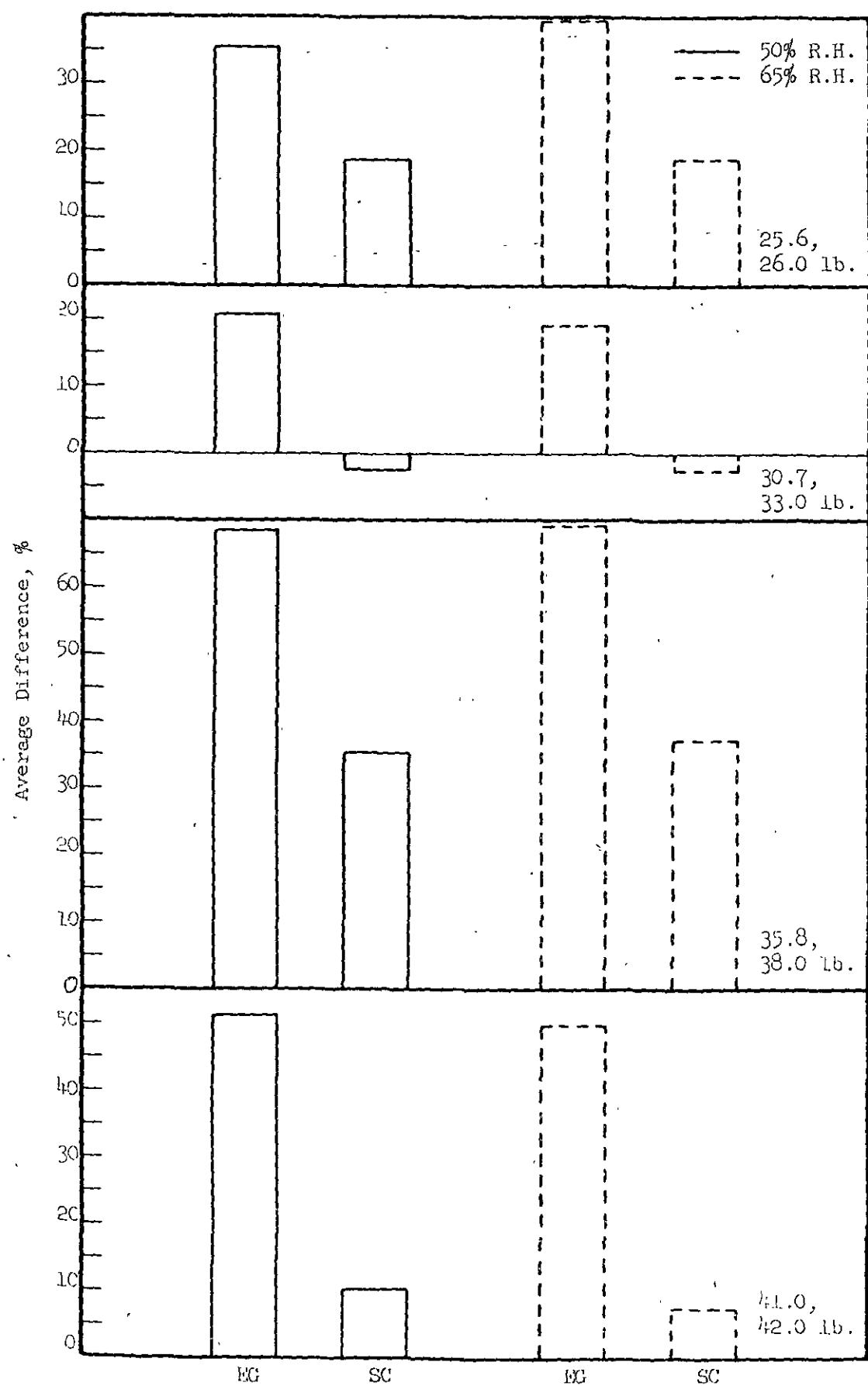


Figure 34. Comparison of Average Difference in Cross-Direction
Between 50% and 65% R.H.

Nominal Wt., lb./ M sq.ft.	U.S. Linerboard Modulus of Elasticity, lb./sq.in. x 10 ³	Average Differences in Elastic Moduli, % ^a				
		In-Machine		Cross-Machine		
E.G.	S.C.	U.S. Linerboard Modulus of Elasticity, lb./sq.in. x 10 ³	E.G.	S.C.		
65% R.H.						
26.0	590	+58.0	+61.5	239	+39.3	+18.8
33.0	814	+32.7	+5.7	316	+19.0	-2.5
38.0	729	+43.2	+23.3	246	+69.1	+37.4
42.0	724	+37.2	+20.2	269	+49.8	+7.8

^aU.S. linerboard results used as reference.

It may be seen that the U.S. linerboards are generally associated with lower moduli than the European linerboards. In most instances the differences are probably significant. The greatest difference is at the 25.6, 26.0-lb. grade weight level. Inasmuch as the modulus of elasticity is dependent to a large extent on the degree of bonding, as is bursting strength, the fact that U.S. linerboards give lower moduli should not be surprising.

The tensile energy absorption, T.E.A., is a measure of the energy absorption capacity of a linerboard. It is the energy corresponding to the area under the tensile load-deformation curve; thus, T.E.A. is a function of both tensile and the corresponding stretch characteristics. It may be recalled that the tensile strength of U.S. linerboards were lower than the corresponding European linerboards; however, the stretch characteristics varied from higher to lower depending on the grade weight and manufacturer; thus, it would be expected that the same may occur relative to T.E.A. For purposes of comparison, the average difference between U.S. and European linerboard in T.E.A. results are as follows (see Tables XXXIII and XXXIV) and graphically illustrated in Fig. 35 and 36, respectively, for machine- and cross-machine direction T.E.A.:

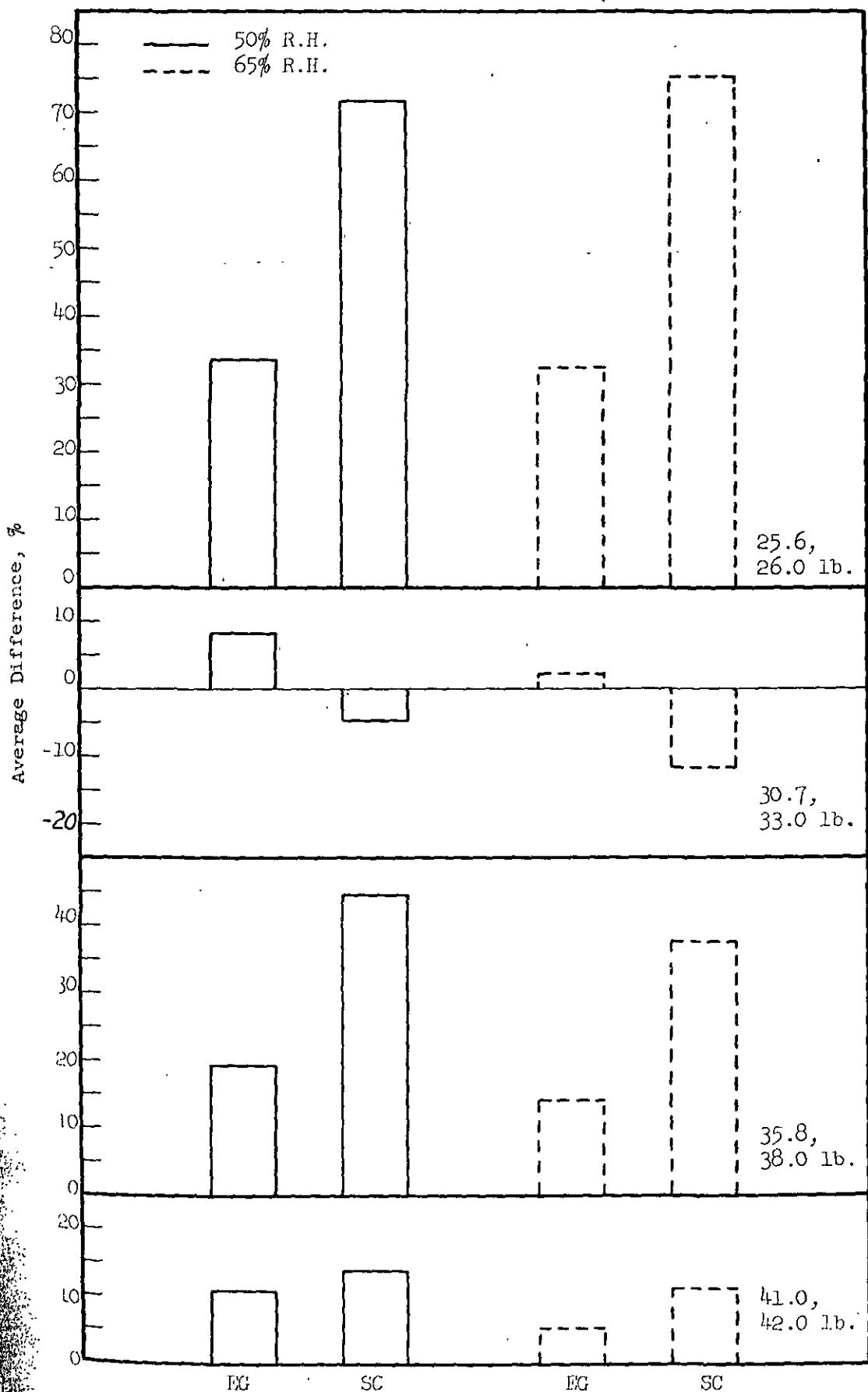


Figure 35. Comparison of Average Difference in Machine-Direction TGA, DT, and U.S. Linerboards

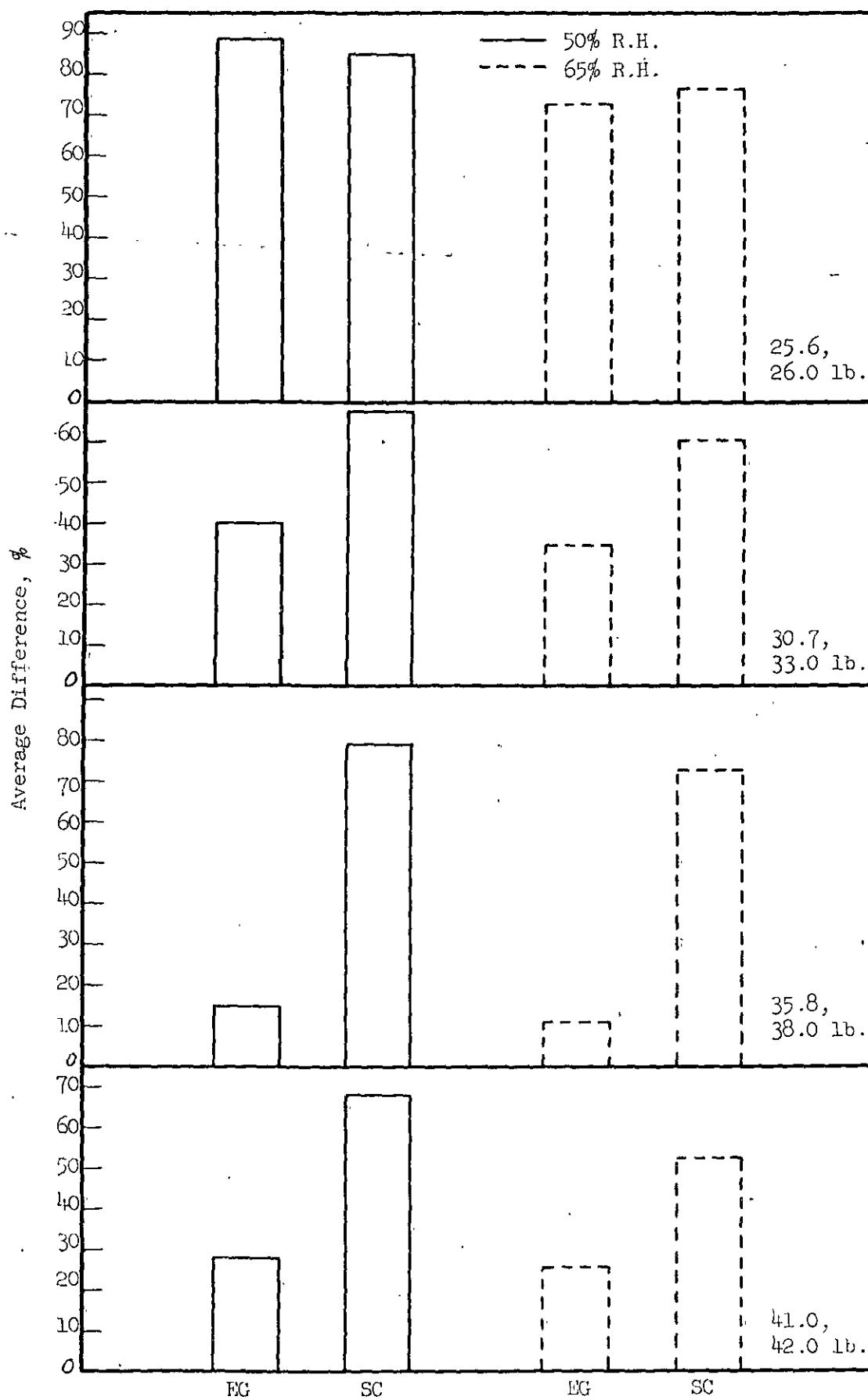


Figure 36. Comparison of Average Difference in Cross-Direction
T.E.A. of European and U.S. Linerboards

Nominal Wt., lb./ M sq.ft.	Average Difference in T.E.A. Results, % ^a					
	Machine Direction			Cross-Machine Direction		
	U.S. Linerboard T.E.A., in.-lb./sq.in.	E.G.	S.C.	U.S. Linerboard T.E.A., in.-lb./sq.in.	E.G.	S.C.
50% R.H.						
26.0	0.71	+33.8	+71.8	0.53	+28.7	-
33.0	1.24	+8.1	-4.8	0.85	+25.5	-
38.0	1.14	+19.3	+44.7	1.00	+25.5	-
42.0	1.36	+11.0	+14.0	0.95	+25.5	-
Average		+18.0	+33.8		+25.5	-
65% R.H.						
26.0	0.74	+32.4	+75.7	0.60	+25.3	-
33.0	1.29	+2.3	-11.6	0.92	+25.3	-
38.0	1.19	+14.3	+37.8	1.06	+25.3	-
42.0	1.38	+5.8	+11.6	1.02	+25.3	-
Average		+13.7	+28.4		+25.3	-

^aU.S. linerboard results used as reference.

It may be seen that the T.E.A. characteristics of U.S. linerboards are lower than those for the corresponding grade weights of Enso Gutzeit Cellulosa linerboards. The greatest difference is at the 25.6, 26.0-lb. grade weight level. When the T.E.A. characteristics of U.S. linerboards are compared with those of Enso Gutzeit Cellulosa linerboards, it may be noted that the T.E.A. values for U.S. linerboards are lower except for the machine-direction value at the 30.7, 33.0-lb. grade weight level. The greatest disparity is at the 25.6, 26.0-lb. grade weight level.

The I.P.C. bond strength is a measure of the degree of transverse bonding of the fibers, and, consequently, is related to the various mechanical properties

of the linerboard. The average differences in bond strength are as follows (see Tables XXXIII and XXXIV) and are graphically illustrated in Fig. 37 and 38, respectively, for machine and cross-machine bond strength:

Nominal Wt., lb./ M sq.ft.	U.S. Linerboard Bond Strength, kp.cm./sec.	Average Difference in I.P.C. Bond Strength, % ^a				
		Machine Direction		Cross-Machine Direction		
		E.G.	S.C.	U.S. Linerboard Bond Strength, kp.cm./sec.	E.G.	S.C.
50% R.H.						
26.0	4.34	-23.5	+13.1	3.13	-24.9	-19.8
33.0	4.55	-7.3	+51.6	2.26	+2.7	+39.8
38.0	3.24	+24.7	+70.1	1.68	+34.5	+57.1
42.0	4.76	-9.9	+23.1	2.27	+5.3	+13.7
	Average	-4.0	+39.5		+1.4	+22.7
65% R.H.						
26.0	1.96	-9.2	+1.0	1.85	-9.7	+3.8
33.0	2.17	-1.8	+5.5	1.89	+12.2	+18.5
38.0	1.92	-1.0	+18.8	1.89	+1.6	+4.8
42.0	2.12	-4.7	+17.9	1.85	+8.6	+17.8
	Average	-4.2	+10.8		+3.2	+11.2

^aU.S. linerboard results used as reference.

It may be noted that except in one instance the U.S. linerboards exhibit higher average machine-direction bond strength than the Enso Gutseit linerboards. In contrast, the Svenska Cellulosa linerboards gave higher machine-direction bond strength than the U.S. linerboards. When the cross-machine bond strengths are compared, it may be seen that at the 25.6, 26.0-lb. grade weight level, the U.S. linerboard gives higher results generally; at the three higher

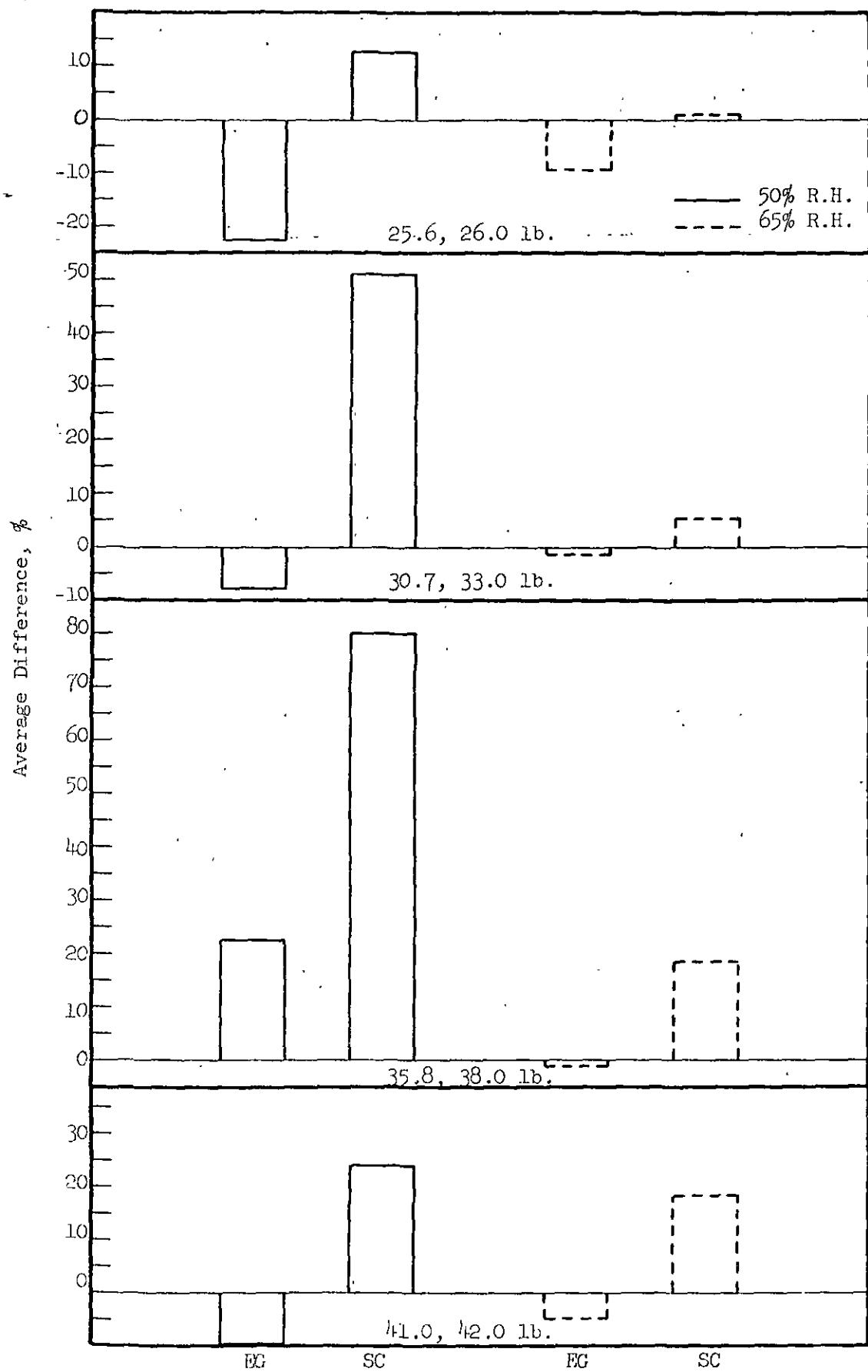


Figure 37. Comparison of Average Difference in Machine-Direction I.D.U. Bond Strength of European and U.S. Linerboards

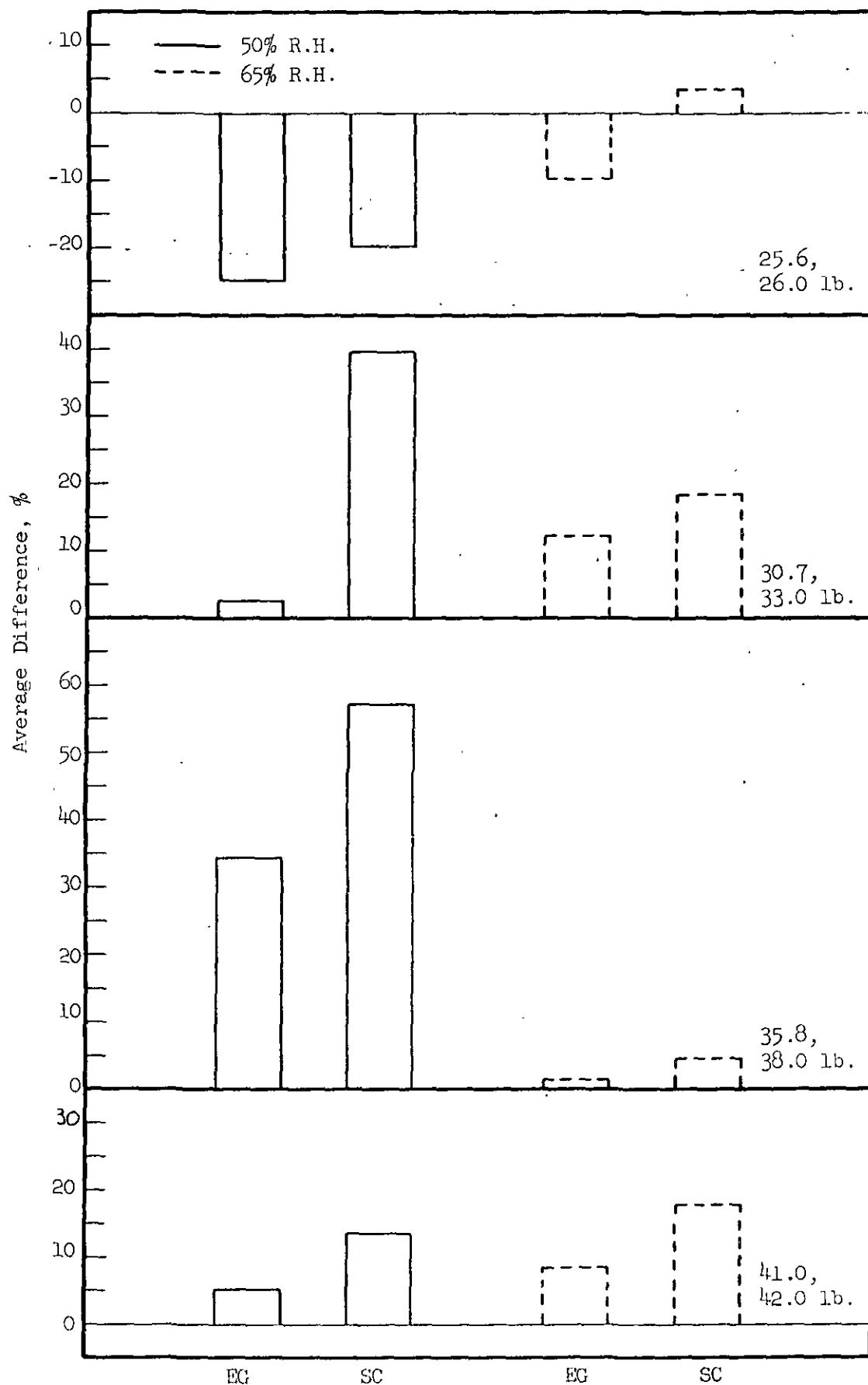


Figure 38. Comparison of Average Difference in Cross-Direction I.P.C. Bond Strength of European and U.S. Linerboards

grade weight levels, however, the European linerboards give higher cross-machine bond strengths.

The porosity of linerboard plays an important role in printing, bonding on the corrugator, in case sealing, etc., and is functionally related to density. The porosity is determined in terms of the time for a given volume of air, 100 cc., to pass through the test specimen; therefore, the higher the time in seconds, the less porous the linerboard. For comparison purposes the average differences in porosity are tabulated as follows (see Tables XXXIII and XXXIV) and are graphically illustrated in Fig. 39:

Nominal Wt., lb./M sq.ft.	Average Difference in Porosity, % ^a					
	50% R.H.		U.S. Linerboard Porosity, sec./100 cc.		65% R.H.	
	E.G.	S.C.	E.G.	S.C.	E.G.	S.C.
26.0	13	+84.6	+207.7	10	+120.0	+222.0
33.0	38	+257.9	-31.6	31	+303.2	-32.3
38.0	29	+369.0	+120.7	28	+292.9	+96.4
42.0	28	+289.3	+135.7	25	+300.0	+136.0
Average		+250.2	+108.1		+254.0	+105.5

^aU.S. linerboard results used as reference.

It may be seen that except for one instance the U.S. linerboards exhibit lower porosity test values and, hence, are more porous than the corresponding European linerboards. Enso Gutseit linerboards generally give higher porosity values than Svenska Cellulosa linerboards. If the porosity values are too high, difficulty may be encountered during fabrication. In fact, in connection with the fabrication of the combined boards made in this study, it was necessary to rerun Run 20 (Enso Gutseit linerboard) because of poor adhesion.

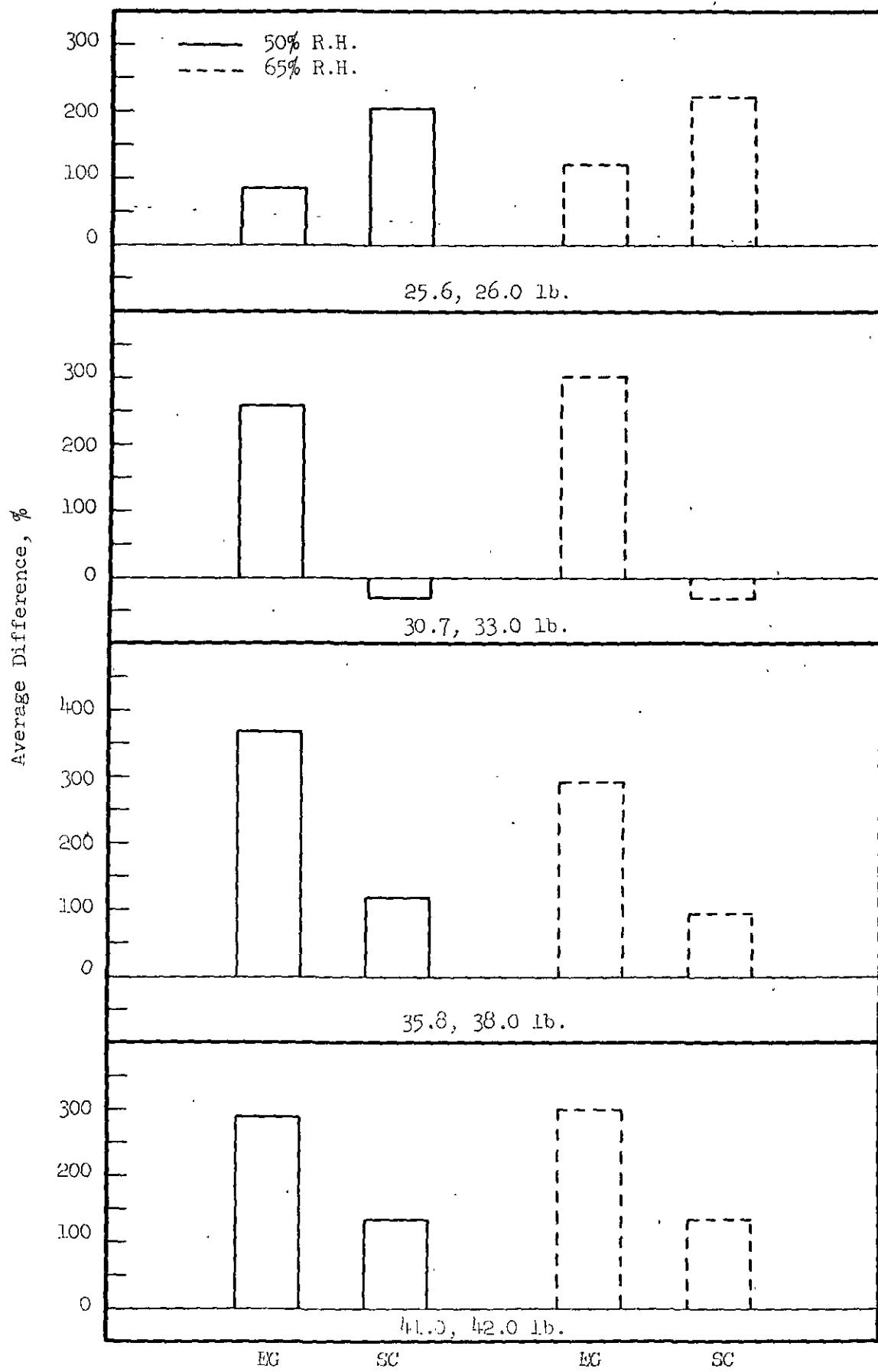


Figure 39. Comparison of Average Difference in Porosity of
EG and SC Linerboards

In general, the European linerboards were more difficult to bond because of their high, nonuniform moisture content.

Smoothness, as reported herein, was evaluated by means of a Bendsten smoothness tester in which smoothness is measured in terms of the volume of air which will pass between the top (opposite to wire side) surface of the specimen and the test plate in a given time; the higher the volume, the rougher the specimen.

The average differences in smoothness are as follows (see Tables XXXIII and XXXIV) and are illustrated in Fig. 40:

Nominal Wt., lb./M sq.ft.	Average Difference in Smoothness Test, % ^a					
	50% R. H.		65% R. H.			
U.S. Linerboard Smoothness, ml./min.	E.G.	S.C.	U.S. Linerboard Smoothness, ml./min.	E.G.	S.C.	
26.0	987	-22.5	-13.1	1108	-27.1	-31.1
33.0	498	+97.6	+66.7	606	+49.7	+44.2
38.0	616	+49.2	-19.2	666	+36.9	-32.4
42.0	700	+36.6	+49.0	692	+42.6	+54.6
Average		+40.2	+20.8		+25.5	+8.8

^aU.S. linerboard results used as reference.

It may be seen that the smoothness test results of the U.S. linerboards at the 25.6, 26.0-lb. grade weight level are higher and, hence, the smoothness of U.S. linerboards is lower than that of the European linerboards at this grade weight level. With one exception at the other grade weight levels the smoothness test results are higher on the European linerboard and, hence, they are less smooth than the U.S. linerboards. The one exception is the Svenska Cellulosa Linerboard at the 35.7, 38.0-lb. grade weight level.

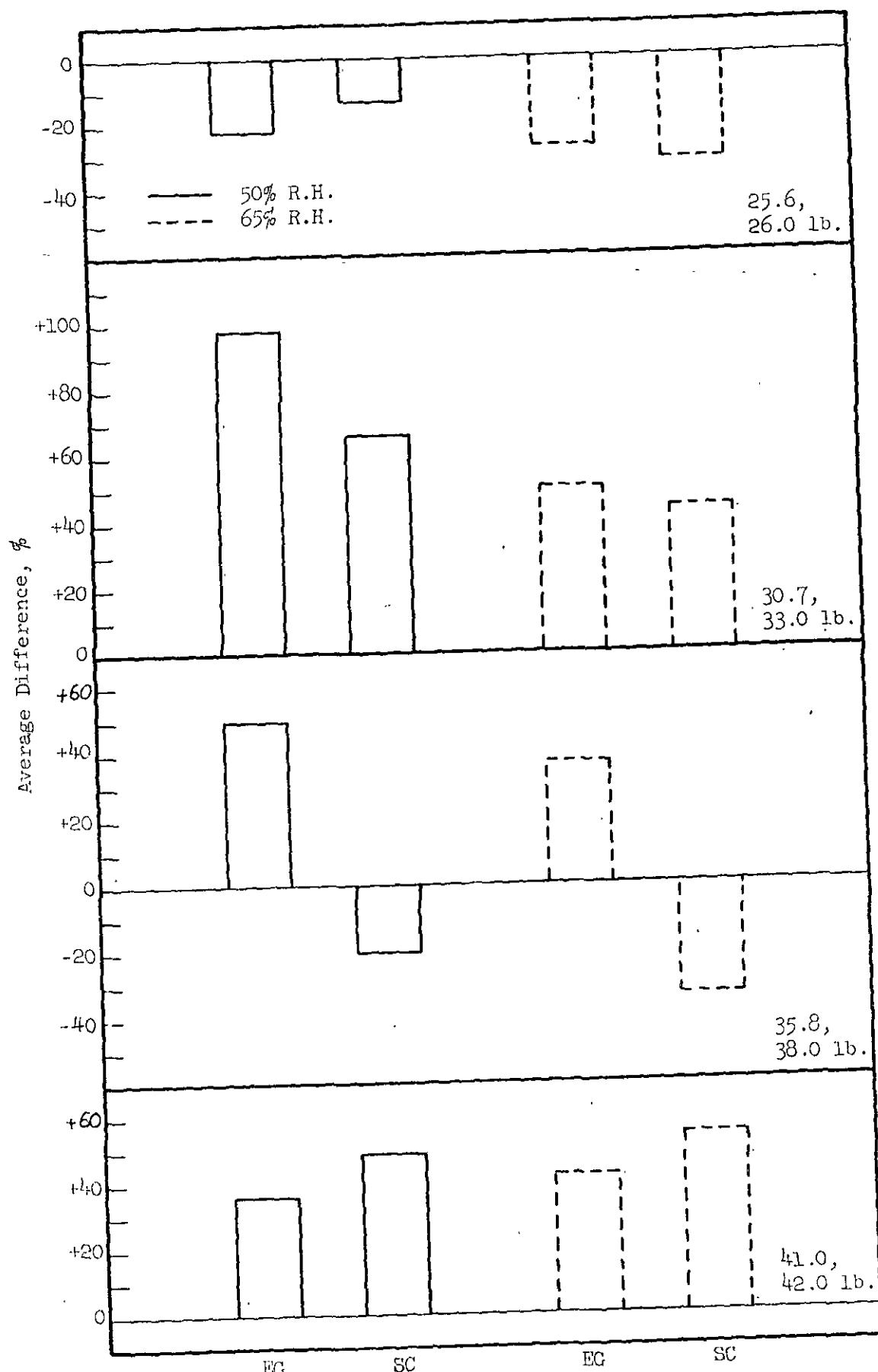


Figure 40. Comparison of Average Difference in Smoothness of European and U.S. Linerboards

The Cobb size test was used to evaluate the degree of sizing. By means of this test the degree of sizing is measured in terms of the amount of moisture picked up when one side of the test specimen is exposed to water for a prescribed time period; thus, the higher the Cobb size value the poorer the sizing. For purposes of comparison, the average differences in Cobb size results are as follows (see Tables XXXIII and XXXIV) and graphically illustrated in Fig. . . .

Nominal Wt., lb./M sq.ft.	U.S. Linerboard Cobb Size, g./sq.m.	Average Difference in Cobb Size, ^a %		65% R.H.	
		50% R.H.	E.G. S.C.	U.S. Linerboard Cobb Size, g./sq.m.	E.G. S.C.
26.0	38.5	-3.4	-2.9	33.6	-2.2 +6.6
33.0	35.6	+21.6	+7.6	33.0	+6.6 +1.2
38.0	36.5	-1.9	+0.3	32.7	-2.2 -2.1
42.0	33.2	-2.4	+11.4	28.6	-1.3 +26.3
Average		+3.5	+4.1		+3.5 +1.8

^a U.S. linerboard results used as reference.

It may be observed that at the 25.6, 26.0-lb. grade weight level, the U.S. linerboard exhibits lower size resistance - i.e., the Cobb size values are higher than those for the corresponding European linerboards. However, the differences are not large enough to be considered significant. It would appear that there is no significant difference in the water resistance as measured by the Cobb size test except for Enso Cutseit linerboard at 30.7, 33.0-lb. grade weight level and Svenska Cellulosa linerboard at 41.0, 42.0-lb. grade weight level. Both of these linerboards appear to be lower in water resistance than the corresponding U.S. linerboards.

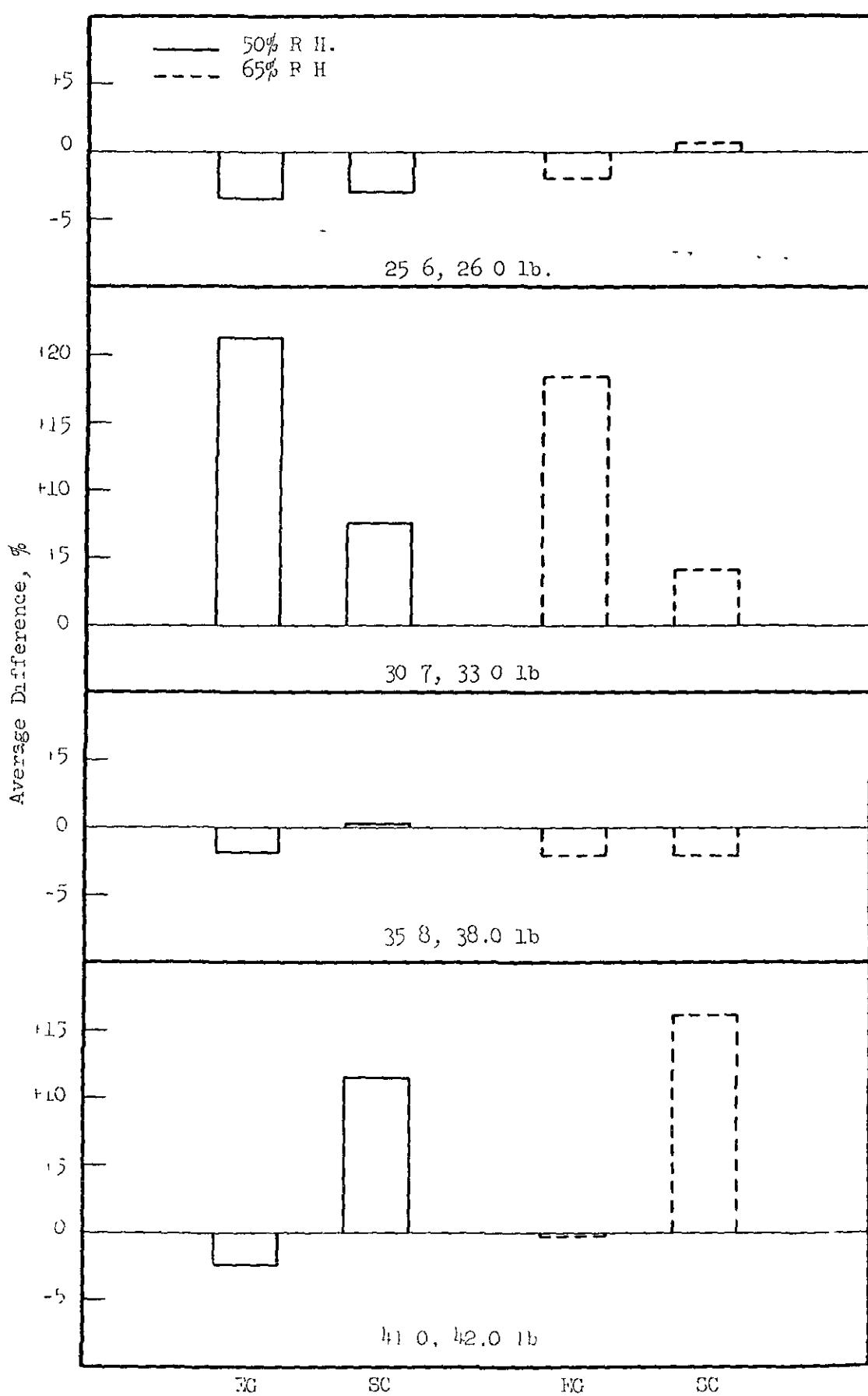


Figure 41 Comparison of Average Difference in Cobb Size of
50% & 65% R.H. S. Linerboards

European linerboard appears to be made from a furnish consisting mainly of Scotch pine, refined to a lower freeness and average fiber length and presumably run at a slower machine speed than U.S. linerboard. The results of this study indicate that the property of European linerboard responsible for their competitive potential is not bursting strength but the level to which the more basic mechanical properties - e.g., edgewise compression, modulus of elasticity, tensile strength, etc. - develop concomitantly with bursting strength. In spite of the lower basis weight, European linerboards used in this study exhibit about equal edgewise compression but markedly higher tensile and modulus of elasticity characteristics than the corresponding U.S. linerboards.

Previous studies have shown that box compression is primarily dependent on two fundamental combined board properties, namely, edgewise compression and flexural stiffness. Further, it has been found that the cross-machine edgewise compression, which is the dominant combined board property in the case of top-load compression, is a function of the cross-machine edgewise compression of the components and to a lesser degree a function of the cross-machine modulus of elasticity of the linerboard. The flexural stiffness of the combined board has been found to be primarily a function of the modulus of the linerboard and the milper of the combined board. Thus, it should not be surprising that the lower weight European linerboard which exhibits about equal edgewise compression, but markedly higher moduli gives box compression performance in general about equivalent to boxes made with heavier weight U.S. linerboard. On an equal weight basis, boxes made with European linerboard tend to give equal or higher box compression compared to boxes made with U.S. linerboard.

The attainment of markedly higher bursting strength, tensile strength, modulus of elasticity, etc., by the European linerboards at a substantially lower

basis weight by means of greater refining - better bonding - is made possible at the expense of fiber length and, hence, tearing strength. The lower tearing strength of the European linerboard is also manifested in lower tearing strength combined board as measured in terms of torsion tear and puncture resistance. It might be anticipated that boxes made with European linerboard would be inferior to boxes made with higher tearing strength U.S. linerboard in terms of such rough handling tests as corner drop and drum performance. It should be emphasized, however, that rough handling performance is dependent on cross-machine tensile and energy absorption, T.E.A., properties as well as tearing strength. In terms of rough handling performance the lower tearing strength of the European linerboards is compensated for, in part at least, by substantially higher tensile and energy absorption characteristics compared to the U.S. linerboards.

In order to compare the uniformity of linerboard from the three sources, the coefficients of variation were determined for a selected number of test properties at 50% R.H. The properties selected were bursting strength, Elmendorf tearing strength, modified ring compression and Taber stiffness. The coefficients of variation are tabulated in Table XXXV. It may be seen that on the basis of the coefficients of variation the U.S. linerboards are generally slightly more uniform than the European linerboards. This is of importance, for example, when considered from the standpoint of Rule 41 which states that only one bursting strength reading out of six (16.7%) may be below the specified level. On the other hand, this particular requirement would not penalize the European linerboards because their average bursting strengths exceed by far the requirements to meet Rule 41.

When the tearing strengths are compared it may be noted that there is very little difference in the coefficients of variation although the U.S.

TABLE XXXV
COMPARISON OF COEFFICIENTS OF VARIATION
(50% Relative Humidity)

Test Property	Nominal Grade Weight Linerboard, lb./M sq. ft.	Coefficient of Variation			
		US Linerboard	EG Linerboard	SC Linerboard	
Bursting strength	25.6, 26.0	9.2	7.6	10.5	
	30.7, 33.0	6.8	9.7	13.7	
	35.8, 38.0	9.3	14.7	10.5	
	41.0, 42.0	8.8	13.3	18.2	
Elmendorf tearing strength	M.D.	25.6, 26.0 30.7, 33.0 35.8, 38.0 41.0, 42.0	6.4 8.3 8.6 8.5	7.4 8.9 9.7 11.2	9.8 8.5 7.2 9.5
	C.D.	25.6, 26.0 30.7, 33.0 35.8, 38.0 41.0, 42.0	5.5 4.6 5.2 5.9	6.8 5.0 5.4 7.5	6.2 8.1 4.7 7.4
Modified ring compression	M.D.	25.6, 26.0 30.7, 33.0 35.8, 38.0 41.0, 42.0	6.9 6.7 7.7 5.8	8.6 7.4 5.4 6.7	8.1 7.8 6.5 8.1
	C.D.	25.6, 26.0 30.7, 33.0 35.8, 38.0 41.0, 42.0	5.8 6.9 7.5 5.4	6.9 6.8 6.5 5.5	6.1 8.8 7.8 7.1
Flexer stiffness	M.D.	25.6, 26.0 30.7, 33.0 35.8, 38.0 41.0, 42.0	7.5 5.1 6.1 4.3	7.1 9.9 9.4 7.3	10.5 11.9 5.2 8.7
	C.D.	25.6, 26.0 30.7, 33.0 35.8, 38.0 41.0, 42.0	9.8 11.5 7.2 9.2	12.6 12.7 12.7 11.4	16.1 11.6 13.7 12.9

linerboards have a very slight advantage in uniformity. The same general trend is also shown by the modified ring compression results.

In general, the U.S. linerboards exhibit slightly better uniformity in terms of Taber stiffness than the European linerboards. The Enso Gutseit linerboards, in turn, generally exhibit greater uniformity than the Svenska Cellulosa linerboards.

II. CORRUGATING MEDIUM RESULTS

It may be recalled that each of the domestic and European linerboards was fabricated with both 26-lb. U.S. semichemical and 23-lb. European semichemical corrugating medium into A-flute and B-flute combined boards and boxes. In addition to these mediums, all the U.S. linerboards were also fabricated with 26-lb. European semichemical medium into A-flute combined board and boxes.

The 23-lb. European medium was made from a furnish consisting of approximately 85% hardwood (birch) and 15% softwood (mainly Scotch pine) refined to a substantially lower average fiber length than the 26-lb. U.S. medium which was made from a furnish consisting of approximately 85% hardwood (gum) and 15% softwood (southern pine).

A. Comparative Performance of Boxes Fabricated with U.S. and European Mediums

1. Compression Performance

In order to compare the effect of the type of medium on box compression performance, the box compression results have been recompiled to facilitate this comparison and are given in Tables XXXVI and XXXVII for 50 and 65% R.H., respectively, and graphically illustrated in Fig. 42a. The data given in Tables XXXVI and XXXVII have been analyzed statistically to determine whether the observed

TABLE XXXVI
EFFECT OF TYPE OF MEDIUM ON COMPRESSION PERFORMANCE
(50% Relative Humidity)

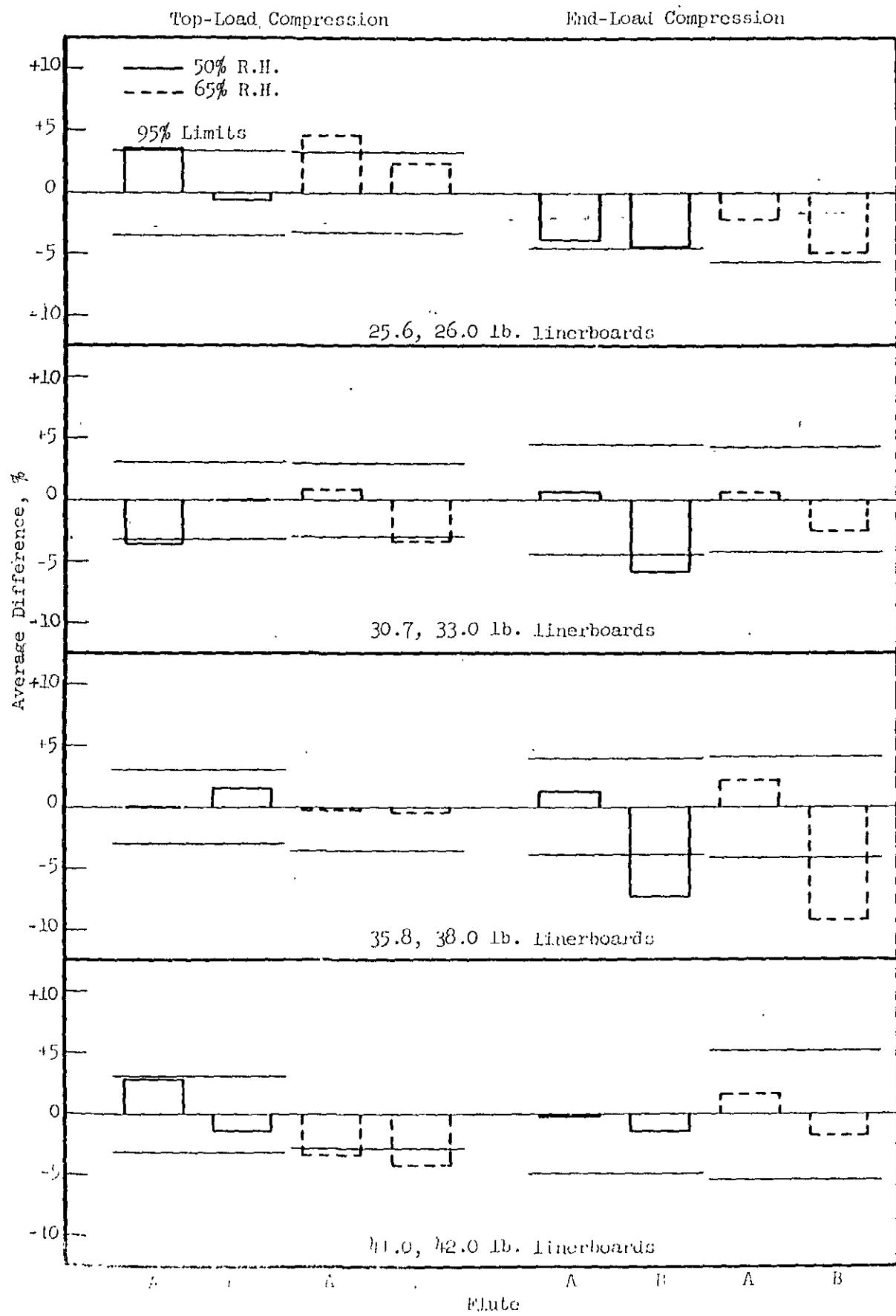
Run	Nominal Liner Weight	Top-Load Compression (0-0.75 in.), 1b.						End-Load Compression (0-0.50 in.), 1b.					
		A-Flute			B-Flute			A-Flute			B-Flute		
		U.S. 26-lb. Medium	Eur. 23-1b. Medium	Diff., %	U.S. 26-1b. Medium	Eur. 23-1b. Medium	Diff., %	U.S. 26-1b. Medium	Eur. 23-1b. Medium	Diff., %	U.S. 26-1b. Medium	Eur. 23-1b. Medium	Diff., %
3, 4	26.0-1b. U.S.	530	565	+ 6.6	460	465	+ 1.1	270	255	- 5.6	330	330	0.0
2, 1	25.6-1b. E.G.	510	520	+ 2.0	445	435	- 2.2	245	230	- 6.1	340	320	- 5.9
6, 5	25.6-1b. S.C.	520	530	+ 1.9	440	435	- 1.1	255	255	0.0	345	320	- 7.2
Composite		520	538	+ 3.5	448	445	- 0.7	257	247	- 3.9	338	323	- 4.4
11, 11	35.0-1b. U.S.	615	590	- 0.8	545	545	0.0	345	350	+ 1.4	480	420	- 12.5
11, 12	35.0-1b. E.G.	615	595	- 3.3	545	555	+ 1.8	350	335	- 4.3	410	415	+ 1.2
Composite		610	625	+ 2.5	525	525	- 1.9	340	355	+ 4.4	440	415	- 5.7
15, 16	38.0-1b. U.S.	655	660	+ 3.0	565	560	- 0.9	400	400	0.0	535	460	- 14.0
15, 17	35.8-1b. S.G.	690	675	- 2.2	600	635	+ 5.8	405	415	+ 2.5	520	495	- 4.8
Composite		640	650	- 1.6	590	585	- 0.8	385	390	+ 1.3	435	425	- 2.3
25, 21	42.0-1b. U.S.	750	725	- 0.7	600	575	- 4.2	455	440	- 3.3	590	535	- 9.3
22, 20	41.0-1b. E.G.	775	815	+ 5.2	640	630	- 1.6	470	485	+ 3.2	610	600	- 1.7
22, 21	41.0-1b. S.C.	715	740	+ 3.5	640	650	+ 1.6	495	490	- 1.0	535	575	+ 7.5
Composite		740	760	+ 2.7	627	618	- 1.4	473	472	- 0.2	578	570	- 1.4

a. U. S. 26.0-1b. medium used as reference.

TABLE XXXVII
EFFECT OF TYPE OF MEDIUM ON COMPRESSION PERFORMANCE
(65% Relative Humidity)

Run	Nominal Liner Weight	Top-Load Compression (0-0.75 in.), lb.						End-Load Compression (0-0.50 in.), lb.					
		A-Flute			B-Flute			A-Flute			B-Flute		
		U.S.	Eur.	25-lb. Medium	U.S.	Eur.	26-1b. Medium	U.S.	Eur.	26-1b. Medium	U.S.	Eur.	25-1b. Medium
3, 4	26.0-1b. U.S.	490	520	+ 6.1	405	450	+11.1	235	225	- 4.3	310	290	- 6.5
2, 1	25.6-1b. E.G.	465	515	+10.8	425	420	-1.2	210	220	+ 4.8	305	280	- 8.2
6, 5	25.6-1b. S.C.	470	455	- 3.2	405	395	- 2.5	235	220	- 6.4	305	305	0.0
Composite		475	497	+ 4.6	412	422	+ 2.4	227	222	- 2.2	307	292	- 4.9
10, 9	33.0-1b. U.S.	560	540	- 3.6	495	500	+ 1.0	330	305	- 7.6	420	395	- 6.0
7, 8	30.7-1b. E.G.	540	545	+ 0.9	510	480	- 5.9	305	305	0.0	385	385	+ 8.5
11, 12	30.7-1b. S.C.	545	575	+ 5.5	495	470	- 5.1	305	335	+ 9.8	415	380	- 8.4
Composite		548	553	+ 0.9	500	483	- 3.4	313	315	+ 0.6	397	387	- 2.5
15, 16	38.0-1b. U.S.	600	600	0.0	535	510	- 4.7	360	345	- 4.2	480	445	- 7.3
14, 13	35.8-1b. E.G.	605	610	+ 0.8	570	620	+ 8.8	370	400	+ 8.1	485	475	- 2.1
18, 17	35.8-1b. S.C.	625	615	- 1.6	570	525	- 7.9	340	350	+ 2.9	455	370	- 18.7
Composite		610	608	- 0.3	558	552	- 1.1	357	365	+ 2.2	473	430	- 9.1
23, 24	42.0-1b. U.S.	670	675	+ 0.7	570	515	- 9.6	420	410	- 2.4	540	550	+ 1.9
19, 20	41.0-1b. E.G.	750	735	- 2.0	620	600	- 3.2	440	470	+ 6.8	555	540	- 2.7
22, 21	41.0-1b. S.C.	685	625	- 8.8	580	580	0.0	430	430	0.0	555	530	- 4.5
Composite		702	678	- 3.4	590	565	- 4.2	430	437	+ 1.6	550	540	- 1.8

^a U.S. 26.0-1b. medium used as reference.



Upper limit = Upper limit of the sum of Type I and Type II error (10.0 lb. U.B. at Reference wgt. 33-lb. European) on Average Difference in Box

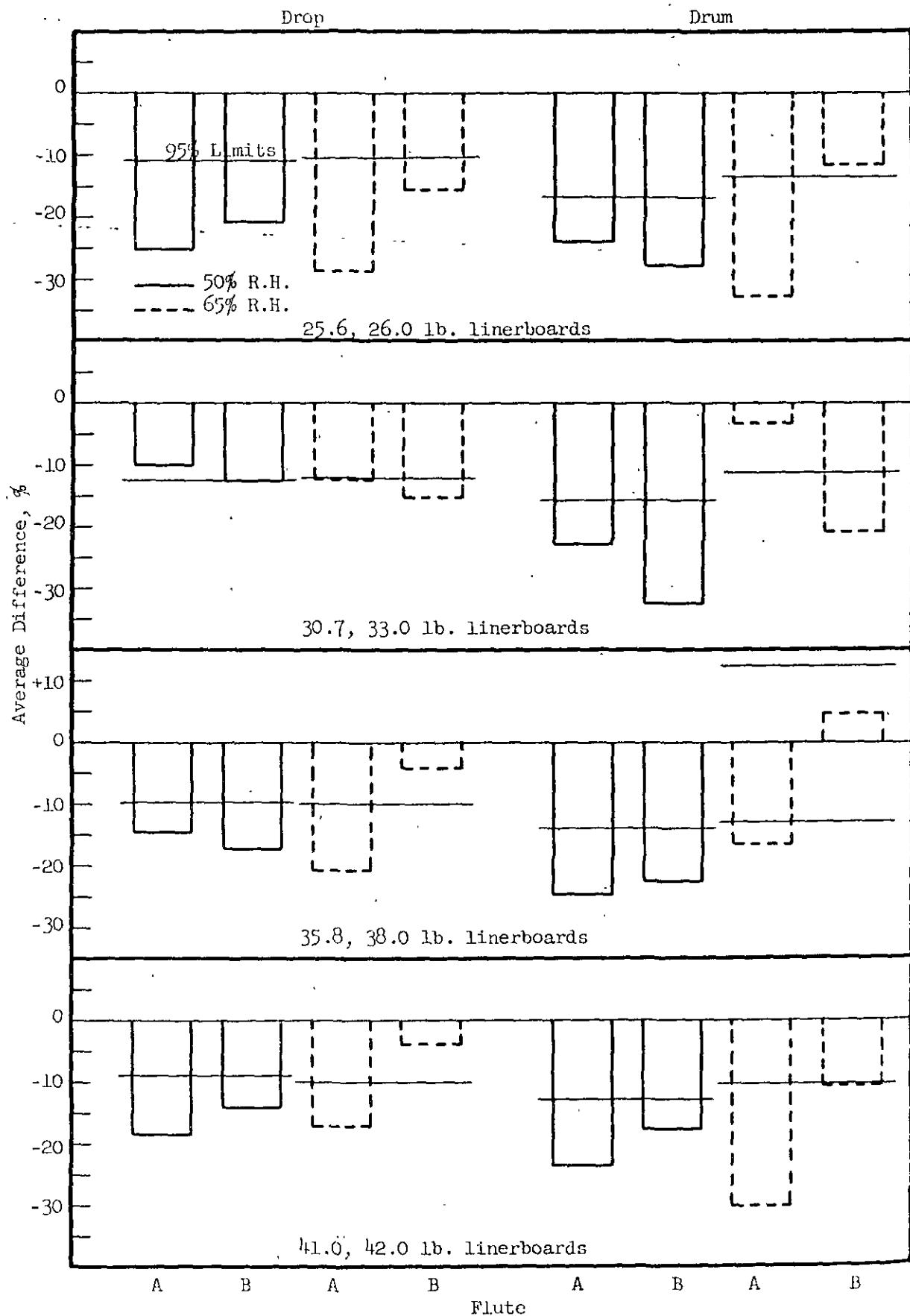


Figure 42b. Comparison of the Effect of Type of Medium (26-lb. U.S. as Reference vs. 23-lb. European) on Average Difference in Rough Handling Performance

composite average differences represent real differences or could have occurred by chance. The statistically determined levels of significance for the composite average differences are shown in Table XXXVIII. The figure in parentheses following each average indicates the level of confidence at which the difference is significant. The symbol NS signifies that the difference is not significant at the 5% level of confidence.

It may be seen from the composite average differences tabulated in Table XXXVIII, together with the assessment of the statistical significance of the observed composite average differences that, in general, there is no difference in box compression associated with the type of medium except in a few cases. One of the exceptions is top-load A-flute compression at the 25.6, 26.0-lb. liner-board grade weight level, wherein the results show that boxes made with 23.0-lb. European medium give higher top-load compression loads than boxes made with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium. In all other instances, where the composite average differences were statistically significant, higher results were obtained with the boxes made with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium. Except for the one case noted, therefore, the boxes made with 23.0-lb. European medium exhibit equal or lower compression results. In all other cases where significant differences were observed, the differences were less than 10% and in most instances less than 5%.

It should be borne in mind in interpreting these results that reducing the nominal weight of the medium from 26.0 to 23.0 pounds results in a weight reduction of approximately 11.5%. Accordingly, in order to compare the compression performance on an equal weight basis the results tabulated in Tables XXXVI and XXXVII have been divided by the corresponding combined board weight and are tabulated in Tables XXXIX and XL on a performance per unit combined board weight basis and illustrated in Fig. 45. The composite average differences are also

TABLE XXVII
COMPOSITE AVERAGE DIFFERENCE DUE TO TYPE OF CORUGATING MEDIUM

Composite Average Differences on Box Basis ^a										Composite Average Differences on Unit Combined Board Basis ^a									
Top-Load Compression					Drop Performance					Drum Performance					Drop Performance				
Medium	Difference, %	Difference, %	Difference, %	Difference, %	A-Flute	B-Flute	A-Flute	B-Flute	A-Flute	B-Flute	A-Flute	B-Flute	A-Flute	B-Flute	A-Flute	B-Flute	A-Flute	B-Flute	
Flutability	A-Flute	B-Flute	A-Flute	B-Flute	A-Flute	B-Flute	A-Flute	B-Flute	A-Flute	B-Flute	A-Flute	B-Flute	A-Flute	B-Flute	A-Flute	B-Flute	A-Flute	B-Flute	
20	+3.5(.05)	-0.7(.38)	-3.9(NS)	-2.2(.35)	+1.1(.05)	-25.3(.01)	-20.7(.01)	-21.7(.01)	-27.8(.05)	+8.6	+1.0	+1.2	+0.3	-22.6	-16.1	-20.3	-24.1		
25	+2.6(.01)	+2.1(.05)	+0.7(NS)	+1.9(NS)	+28.6(.01)	-15.7(.01)	-32.9(.01)	-11.5(NS)	+9.4	+8.0	+2.2	+0.6	-25.2	-11.6	-29.8	-7.1			
30	-0.7(NS)	-3.1(.05)	-0.6(NS)	-0.6(NS)	-10.3(NS)	-12.5(NS)	-22.9(.01)	-26.1(.01)	+3.6	+5.3	+4.4	+1.0	-5.5	-7.4	-19.2	+2.3			
35	-0.9(NS)	-3.1(.05)	-0.6(NS)	-0.6(NS)	-12.2(.01)	-15.1(.01)	-3.1(NS)	-20.8(.05)	+5.5	+0.4	+5.0	+1.4	-7.7	-12.2	-16.3	-28.4			
40	-0.7(NS)	-3.1(.05)	-0.6(NS)	-0.6(NS)	-10.3(NS)	-12.5(NS)	-22.9(.01)	-26.1(.01)	+3.6	+5.3	+4.4	+1.0	-10.8	-12.8	-21.4	-19.8			
45	-0.5(NS)	-2.1(.05)	-0.6(NS)	-0.6(NS)	-12.2(.01)	-15.1(.01)	-3.1(NS)	-20.8(.05)	+5.5	+0.4	+5.0	+1.4	-10.8	-12.3	-21.4	-19.8			
50	-0.7(NS)	-3.1(.05)	-0.6(NS)	-0.6(NS)	-10.3(NS)	-12.5(NS)	-22.9(.01)	-26.1(.01)	+3.6	+5.3	+4.4	+1.0	-10.8	-12.3	-21.4	-19.8			
55	-0.5(NS)	-2.1(.05)	-0.6(NS)	-0.6(NS)	-12.2(.01)	-15.1(.01)	-3.1(NS)	-20.8(.05)	+5.5	+0.4	+5.0	+1.4	-10.8	-12.3	-21.4	-19.8			
60	+2.7(NS)	-1.4(.05)	+1.3(NS)	+2.2(NS)	-7.4(.01)	-7.1(.01)	-11.6(.01)	-17.2(.01)	+4.4	+5.6	+5.6	+0.6	-10.8	-12.3	-21.4	-19.8			
65	+3.1(NS)	-1.2(.05)	+1.2(NS)	+1.2(NS)	-7.9.1(.05)	-9.1(.05)	-20.6(.01)	-4.2(NS)	-16.5(.01)	+4.7(NS)	+3.6	+5.6	+5.6	+0.6	-10.8	-12.3	-21.4		
70	+2.7(NS)	-1.4(.05)	+1.3(NS)	+2.2(NS)	-7.4(.01)	-7.1(.01)	-11.6(.01)	-17.2(.01)	+4.4	+5.6	+5.6	+0.6	-10.8	-12.3	-21.4	-19.8			
75	+3.1(NS)	-1.2(.05)	+1.2(NS)	+1.2(NS)	-7.9.1(.05)	-9.1(.05)	-20.6(.01)	-4.2(NS)	-16.5(.01)	+4.7(NS)	+3.6	+5.6	+5.6	+0.6	-10.8	-12.3	-21.4		
80	+2.7(NS)	-1.4(.05)	+1.3(NS)	+2.2(NS)	-7.4(.01)	-7.1(.01)	-11.6(.01)	-17.2(.01)	+4.4	+5.6	+5.6	+0.6	-10.8	-12.3	-21.4	-19.8			
85	+3.1(NS)	-1.2(.05)	+1.2(NS)	+1.2(NS)	-7.9.1(.05)	-9.1(.05)	-20.6(.01)	-4.2(NS)	-16.5(.01)	+4.7(NS)	+3.6	+5.6	+5.6	+0.6	-10.8	-12.3	-21.4		

^a Based on results for 26-lb. U.S. medium as reference. Minus prefix means 26-lb. U.S. lower; plus prefix means 26-lb. U.S. lower.

TABLE XXIX
EFFECT OF TYPE OF MEDIUM ON COMPRESSION PERFORMANCE PER UNIT WEIGHT
(50% Relative Humidity)

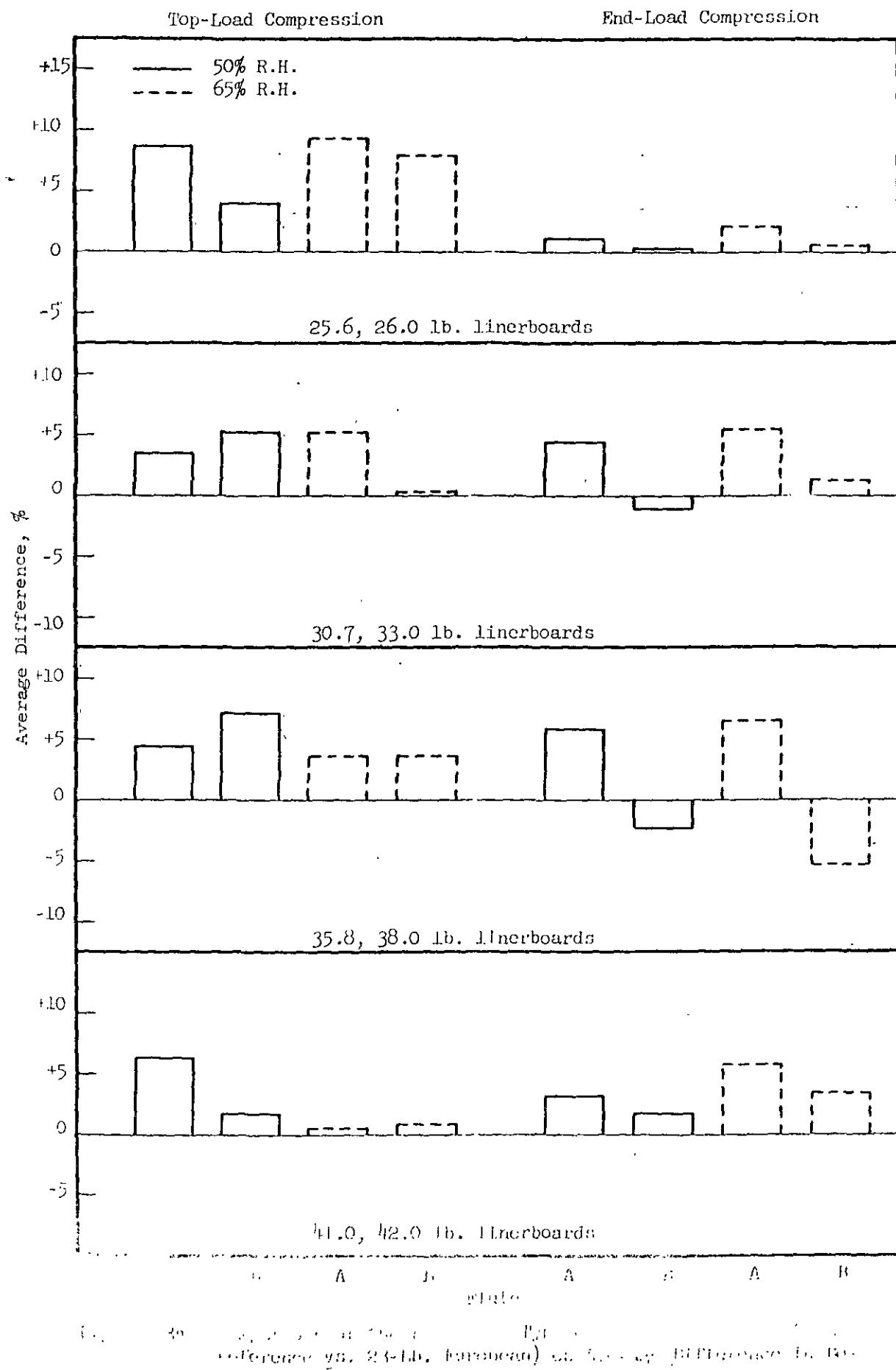
Run	Nominal Liner weight	Top-Load Compression, lb /100-lb Combined Board Weight						End-Load Compression, lb /100-lb Combined Board Weight						
		A-Flute			B-Flute			A-Flute			B-Flute			
		U S	Eur	26-1b Medium	U S	Eur	26-1b Medium	U S	Eur	26-1b Medium	U S	Eur	26-1b Medium	
Composite	26 0-1b U S	520	583	+12.1	489	511	+4.5	265	263	-0.8	351	363	+3.4	
	25 6-1b E G	515	553	+7.4	473	489	+3.4	247	245	-0.8	362	360	-0.6	
	25 6-1b S C	536	570	+6.2	469	489	+4.3	263	274	+1.2	367	359	-2.2	
Composite	27, 9	524	569	+8.6	477	496	+4.0	258	261	+1.2	360	361	+0.3	
	27, 8	533	572	+3.8	491	514	+4.7	303	321	+5.9	432	396	-8.3	
	27, 22	50 7-1b E G	569	572	+0.5	519	555	+6.9	324	322	+0.6	390	415	+6.4
Composite	27, 20	50 7-1b S C	570	607	+5.5	505	526	+4.2	318	345	+8.5	423	423	0.0
	27, 16	554	574	+3.6	505	532	+5.5	315	329	+4.4	415	411	-1.0	
	27, 15	538	542	+0.4	516	559	+8.3	475	496	+4.4	325	339	+4.3	
Composite	27, 17	55 5-1b E G	580	592	+2.1	526	583	+10.8	340	364	+7.1	450	407	-9.6
	27, 16	55 8-1b S C	542	558	+3.0	518	547	+5.6	326	345	+7.8	382	456	+0.4
	27, 21	516	570	+4.4	506	542	+7.1	330	349	+5.8	429	397	+3.9	
Composite	27, 21	42 9-1b U S	562	575	+2.3	476	479	+0.6	350	349	-0.3	468	446	-4.7
	27, 20	42 3-1b E G	605	663	+9.6	525	529	+0.8	367	394	+7.4	500	501	+0.8
	27, 21	41 0-1b S C	577	617	+6.9	542	560	+3.3	329	368	+2.3	453	496	+9.5
Composite	27, 21	581	618	+6.4	514	523	+1.8	372	372	+3.2	474	422	+1.7	

a U.S. 26.0-1b medium used as reference

TABLE XL
EFFECT OF TYPE OF MEDIUM ON COMPRESSION PERFORMANCE PER UNIT WEIGHT
(65% Relative Humidity)

Run	Nominal Liner Weight	Top-Load Compression, lb / 100-lb Combined Board Weight						End-Load Compression, lb / 100-lb Combined Board Weight					
		A-Firite			B-Firite			A-Firite			B-Firite		
		U S	Air	26-lb Medium	U S	Air	26-lb Medium	U S	Air	26-lb Medium	U S	Air	26-lb Medium
Corpuscule	26 0-1b U S	471	525	+11.5	413	479	+16.0	226	227	+0.4	316	309	-2.2
	25 6-1b E G	460	536	+16.5	443	462	+4.3	208	229	+10.1	318	308	-3.1
	25 6-1b S C	475	479	+0.6	422	439	+4.0	237	252	-2.1	318	329	+6.6
	25 6-1b S C	469	513	+9.4	426	460	+8.0	224	229	+2.2	317	319	+0.6
	20, 9	485	482	-0.2	438	455	+3.9	284	272	-4.2	372	359	-3.5
Composite	25 0-1b U S	485	509	+4.7	481	471	-2.1	275	285	+3.6	335	377	+12.5
	30 7-1b E G	495	553	+11.7	467	465	-0.4	277	322	+16.2	392	376	-4.2
	30 7-1b S C	488	515	+5.5	462	464	+0.4	279	293	+5.0	366	371	+1.4
Composite	38 0-1b U S	476	492	+3.4	442	445	+0.2	286	283	-1.0	397	387	-2.5
	35 8-1b E G	492	521	+5.9	491	554	+12.8	301	342	+13.6	418	424	+1.4
	35 8-1b S C	521	530	+1.7	496	482	-2.8	283	302	+6.7	396	359	-14.4
	35 8-1b S C	496	514	+3.6	476	493	+3.6	290	309	+6.6	404	383	-5.2
	25, 16	420	504	+4.6	445	422	-5.2	316	320	+1.3	422	451	+6.9
Composite	42 0-1b U S	504	527	+1.0	496	496	+0.8	336	370	+10.1	446	451	+1.4
	41 0-1b E G	573	579	+1.7	504	472	+6.8	333	352	+5.7	451	453	+3.4
	41 0-1b S C	531	512	+3.6	470	474	+0.9	347	328	-1.5	438	438	+3.4
Composite	22, 21	536	539	+0.6	470	474	+0.9						

a U S 26 0-1b medium used as reference



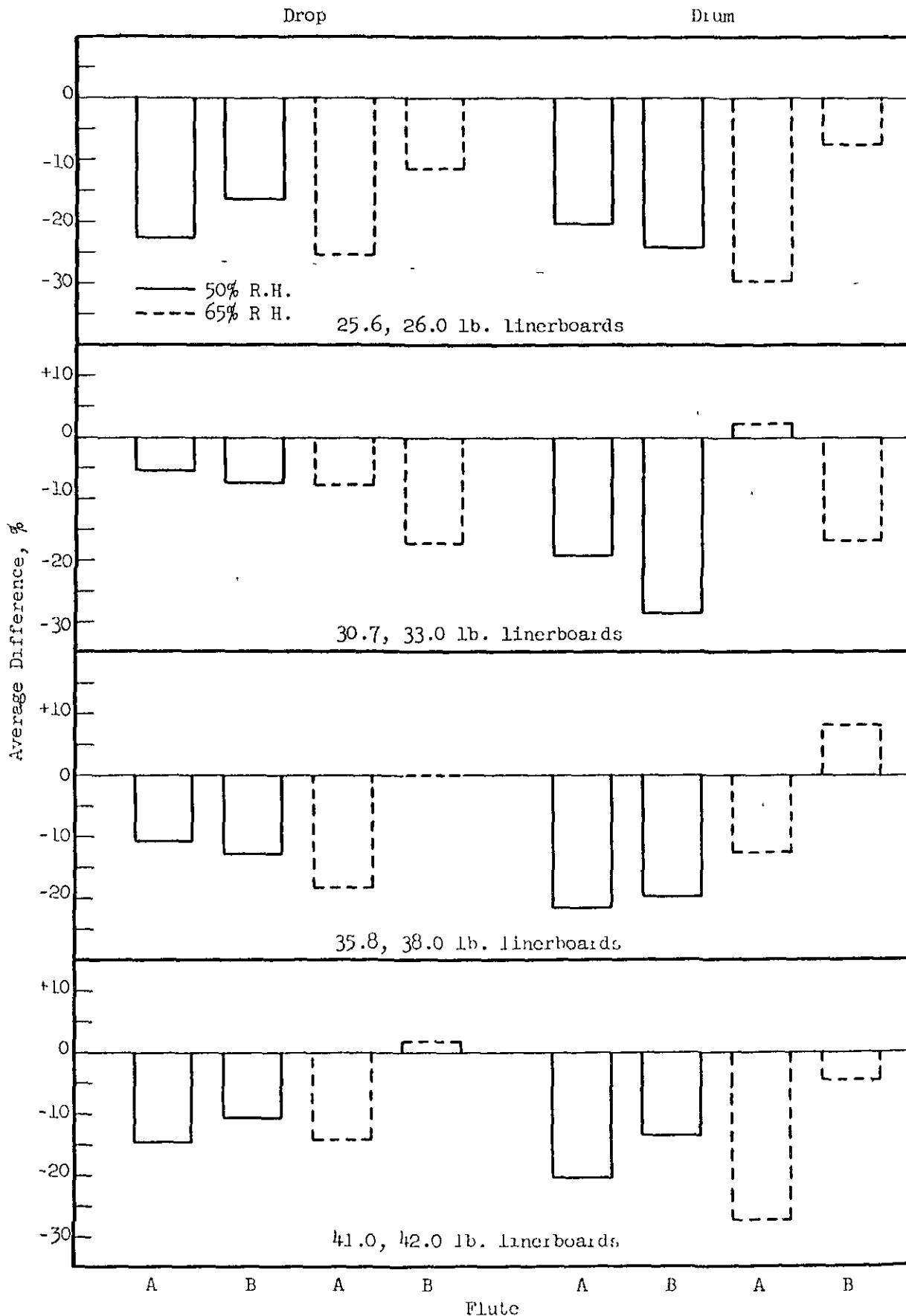


Figure 43b Comparison of the Effect of Type of Medium (26-lb U.S. as Reference vs 23-lb. European) on Average Difference in Rough Handling Performance on Equal Weight Basis

tabulated in Table XXXVIII. It may be noted that on an equivalent combined board weight basis, in practically all cases, the boxes made with 23.0-lb. European medium exhibited higher top-load compression than boxes made with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium. The composite average differences range from 0.4 to 9.4%. Statistical analysis was not carried out on the results calculated on a unit weight basis; however, it is believed that all differences greater than approximately 3.5% probably represent significant differences. When end-load compression results are compared, it may be seen that converting to a unit weight basis has the effect of improving the performance of the boxes made with 23.0-lb. European medium. On this basis, end-load compression results are generally slightly higher for boxes made with 23.0-lb. European medium. On an over-all unit weight basis, boxes made with 23.0-lb. European medium exhibit 4-5% higher top-load compression than boxes made with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium. In the case of end-load the results are mixed; the A-flute results on boxes made with 23.0-lb. European medium are approximately 4% higher than, and the B-flute results are approximately equal to the results on boxes made with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium.

2. Rough Handling Performance

A comparison of the effect of the type of medium on rough handling as measured in terms of corner drop and drum performance may be seen from the results tabulated in Tables XLI and XLII for 50 and 65% R.H., respectively, and illustrated in Fig. 42. These results were statistically analyzed and the composite average differences, together with an estimate of the significance of the difference, are tabulated in Table XXXVIII. On the basis of composite averages, with one exception, boxes made with 23.0-lb. European medium give lower drop and drum performance than boxes made with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium. Further, the magnitude of the difference is such that in most cases the differences are statistically significant; thus, it appears that the 26.0-lb. U.S. medium is

TABLE XII
EFFECT OF TYPE OF MEDIUM ON ROUGH HANDLING PERFORMANCE
(50% Relative Humidity)

Run	Nominal Liner Weight	Corner Drop, Drops to Failure						Drum, Falls to Failure					
		A-Flute			B-Flute			A-Flute			B-Flute		
		U S	Eur	25-lb Medium	U S	Eur	25-lb Medium	U S	Eur	25-lb Medium	U S	Eur	25-lb Medium
3, 4	26 0-1b U S	9.1	6.6	-27.4	6.2	4.8	-22.5	8.4	6.7	-20.2	5.6	4.5	-19.6
2, 1	25 6-1b E G	9.4	6.9	-26.6	6.1	5.1	-16.4	7.7	4.5	-4.1	6	5.6	-14.3
6, 5	25 6-1b S C	6.5	5.0	-23.0	5.0	3.8	-24.0	7.5	6.7	-10.7	5.1	2.5	-51.0
Composite		8.3	6.2	-25.3	5.8	4.6	-20.7	7.9	6.0	-24.1	5.4	3.9	-27.8
10, 9	33 0-1b U S.	10.1	8.7	-13.9	6.5	5.6	-13.8	11.0	11.0	0.0	6.3	4.2	-33.3
7, 8	30 7-1b E G	9.4	7.8	-17.0	6.8	6.6	-2.9	9.9	5.6	-43.4	6.2	4.3	-30.6
11, 12	30 7-1b S C.	10.5	10.5	0.0	8.2	6.8	-17.1	11.8	8.7	-26.3	8.7	6.0	-31.0
Composite		10.0	9.0	-10.0	7.2	6.3	-12.5	10.9	8.4	-22.9	7.1	4.8	-32.4
15, 16	38 0-1b U S	12.2	11.6	-4.9	10.1	8.2	-18.8	15.4	12.0	-22.1	8.8	7.4	-15.9
11, 13	35 8-1b E G	10.8	8.9	-17.6	8.5	7.7	-9.4	12.2	9.1	-25.4	7.6	6.8	-10.5
18, 17	35 8-1b S C	13.8	11.0	-20.3	11.2	8.7	-22.3	14.6	10.6	-27.4	11.6	7.4	-36.2
Composite		12.3	10.5	-14.6	9.9	8.2	-17.2	14.1	10.6	-24.8	9.3	7.2	-22.6
23, 24	42 0-1b U S	13.3	10.4	-21.8	9.9	8.0	-19.2	14.4	11.0	-23.6	9.4	7.7	-18.1
19, 20	41 0-1b E G	13.2	11.5	-12.9	9.6	9.2	-4.2	15.1	10.7	-29.1	9.6	5.4	-43.8
22, 21	41 0-1b S C	12.7	10.1	-20.5	10.7	8.9	-16.8	14.1	11.6	-16.1	8.2	9.5	+15.9
Composite		13.1	10.7	-18.3	10.1	8.7	-13.9	14.5	11.1	-23.4	9.1	7.5	-27.6

^a U S 26 0-1b medium used as reference

TABLE XIII
EFFECT OF TYPE OF MEDIUM ON ROUGH HANDLING PERFORMANCE
(65% Relative Humidity)

Run	Nominal Liner Weight	Corner Drop, Drops to Failure						Drum, Falls to Failure					
		A-Flute			B-Flute			A-Flute			B-Flute		
		U.S.	Bur.	25-lb. Medium	U.S.	Bur.	26-lb. Medium	U.S.	Bur.	26-lb. Medium	U.S.	Bur.	25-lb. Medium
3, 4	26.0-lb. U.S.	11.4	8.1	-28.9	8.6	6.9	-19.8	92	62	-32.6	52	51	-1.9
2, 1	25.6-lb. E.G.	11.3	8.6	-23.9	9.2	7.3	-20.7	82	55	-32.9	55	54	-1.8
6, 5	25.6-lb. S.C.	10.9	7.4	-32.1	7.1	6.8	-4.2	81	53	-34.6	50	53	-34.0
Composite		11.2	8.0	-28.6	8.3	7.0	-15.7	85	57	-32.9	52	46	-11.5
10, 9	33.0-lb. U.S.	13.0	10.4	-20.0	9.1	8.9	-2.2	99	106	+7.1	80	55	-31.3
7, 8	30.7-lb. E.G.	12.0	10.1	-15.8	10.6	9.2	-13.2	93	78	-16.1	65	52	-20.0
11, 12	30.7-lb. S.C.	14.4	14.1	-2.1	12.0	8.8	-26.2	102	102	0.0	86	76	-11.6
Composite		13.1	11.5	-12.2	10.6	9.0	-15.1	98	95	-3.1	77	61	-20.8
15, 16	38.0-lb. U.S.	13.6	11.7	-14.0	12.2	10.8	-11.5	150	118	-21.3	94	94	0.0
14, 13	35.8-lb. E.G.	14.3	12.9	-9.8	9.9	11.3	+14.1	105	105	0.0	75	80	+ 6.7
18, 17	35.8-lb. S.C.	20.1	13.4	-35.3	14.0	12.4	-11.4	162	126	-22.2	87	92	+ 5.7
Composite		16.0	12.7	-20.6	12.0	11.5	-4.2	139	116	-16.5	85	89	+ 4.7
23, 24	42.0-lb. U.S.	15.9	12.9	-18.9	11.9	11.7	-1.7	185	153	-17.3	104	98	- 5.8
19, 20	41.0-lb. E.G.	18.4	13.5	-26.6	13.9	11.9	-14.4	154	97	-37.0	110	92	-16.4
22, 21	41.0-lb. S.C.	18.6	17.3	-7.0	13.1	13.8	+ 5.3	179	113	-26.9	101	93	- 7.9
Composite		17.6	14.6	-17.0	12.5	12.5	-3.8	173	121	-30.1	105	94	-10.5

^a U.S. 26.0-lb. medium used as reference.

better than 23.0-lb. European medium for rough handling performance as measured in terms of drop and drum tests and expressed on a box basis.

As previously pointed out, reducing the nominal grade weight of the medium from 26.0 to 23.0 pounds constitutes approximately a 11.5% reduction in medium weight. In order to compare rough handling performance on an equivalent weight basis the results tabulated in Tables XLI and XLII have been converted to rough handling performance per unit combined board weight. The results on a unit weight basis are tabulated in Tables XLIII and XLIV and illustrated in Fig. 43. The composite average difference at the various levels of linerboard weight are also tabulated in Table XXXVIII. The same general trend may be observed, that is, boxes made with 23.0-lb. European medium are lower in rough handling performance than boxes made with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium. It may be noted, however, that in general the differences on a unit weight basis are less, as would be expected, than on the observed box basis. Further, it is questionable whether the differences obtained on a unit weight basis represent real differences except in a few instances - e.g., at the 25.6, 26.0-lb. linerboard grade weight level.

It may be recalled that each of the U.S. linerboards was fabricated with a 26-lb. European medium into A-flute combined board and boxes. The results obtained on boxes made with U.S. linerboard fabricated with 23.0-lb. and 26.0-lb. European semichemical medium and 26.0-lb. U.S. semichemical medium are tabulated in Tables XLV and XLVI, respectively, for 50 and 65% R.H. and illustrated in Fig. 44. It may be seen that on the basis of composite averages the boxes made with 23.0-lb. and 26.0-lb. European mediums give slightly higher top-load compression than boxes made with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium; however, the differences are not considered significant. The boxes made with 23.0-lb. European medium give lower end-load compression, and those with 26.0-lb. European medium give higher end-load

TABLE XIII
EFFECT OF TYPE OF MEDIUM ON ROUGH HANDLING PER UNIT WEIGHT
(50% Relative Humidity)

Run	Nominal Liner Weight	Corner Drops, Drops/100-lb. Combined Board Weight						Drum, Falls/100-lb. Combined Board Weight					
		A-Flute			B-Flute			A-Flute			B-Flute		
		26-lb.	23-lb.	Diff., %	26-lb.	23-lb.	Diff., %	U.S.	Eur.	Diff., %	U.S.	Eur.	Diff., %
	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
3, 4	26.0-lb. U.S.	8.9	6.8	-23.6	6.6	5.3	-19.7	82	69	-15.9	60	49	-18.3
2, 1	25.6-lb. E.G.	9.5	7.3	-23.2	6.5	5.7	-12.5	78	48	-38.5	60	54	-10.0
6, 5	25.6-lb. S.C.	6.7	5.4	-19.4	5.2	4.3	-18.9	77	72	-6.5	54	28	-48.1
Composite		8.4	6.5	-22.6	6.1	5.1	-16.4	79	63	-20.3	58	44	-24.1
10, 9	33.0-lb. U.S.	8.9	8.0	-10.1	5.9	5.3	-10.2	96	101	+ 5.2	57	40	-29.8
7, 8	30.7-lb. E.G.	8.7	7.5	-13.8	6.5	6.6	+ 2.5	92	54	-41.3	59	43	-27.1
11, 12	30.7-lb. S.C.	9.8	10.2	+ 4.1	7.9	6.9	-12.7	110	84	-25.6	84	61	-27.4
Composite		9.1	8.6	-5.5	6.8	6.3	-7.4	99	80	-19.2	67	48	-28.4
15, 16	38.0-lb. U.S.	9.9	9.8	-14.1	8.5	7.3	-14.1	125	102	-18.4	74	65	-12.2
14, 15	35.8-lb. E.G.	9.1	7.8	-24.3	7.4	7.1	-4.1	103	80	-22.3	67	62	-7.5
16, 17	35.8-lb. S.C.	11.7	9.7	-17.1	9.8	8.1	-17.3	124	94	-24.2	102	69	-32.4
Composite		10.2	9.1	-10.8	8.6	7.5	-12.8	117	92	-21.4	81	65	-19.8
23, 24	42.0-lb. U.S.	10.2	8.3	-18.6	7.9	6.7	-15.2	111	87	-21.6	75	64	-14.7
19, 20	41.0-lb. E.G.	10.3	9.3	-9.7	7.9	7.7	-2.5	118	90	-23.7	79	45	-36.7
22, 21	41.0-lb. S.C.	10.2	8.4	-17.6	9.1	7.7	-15.4	114	97	-14.9	69	82	+18.8
Composite		10.2	8.7	-14.7	8.3	7.4	-10.8	114	74	-20.2	91	64	-13.5

a. U.S. 26.0-lb. medium used as reference.

TABLE XLIV
EFFECT OF TYPE OF MEDIUM ON ROUGH HANDLING PER UNIT WEIGHT
(65% Relative Humidity)

P.U.	Nominal Liner Weight	Corner Drops, Drops/100-lb				Combined Board Weight				Drum, Falls/100-lb				Combined Board Weight			
		A-Flute		B-Flute		26-lb		23-lb		A-Flute		26-lb		23-lb		B-Flute	
		U S	Medium	U S	Medium	U S	Medium	U S	Medium	U S	Medium	U S	Medium	U S	Medium	U S	Medium
3, 4	26 0-1b U S	11.0	8.2	-25.5	8.8	7.3	-17.0	8.9	6.3	-29.2	5.3	5.4	+1.9				
2, 1	25 6-1b E G	11.2	9.0	-19.6	9.6	8.0	-16.7	8.1	5.7	-29.6	5.7	5.9	+3.5				
6, 5	25 6-1b S C	11.0	7.8	-29.1	7.4	7.6	+2.7	8.2	5.6	-31.7	5.2	5.7	-28.8				
Composite		11.1	8.3	-25.2	8.6	7.6	-11.6	8.4	5.9	-29.8	5.4	5.0	-7.4				
10, 9	33 3-1b U S	11.2	9.3	-17.0	8.1	8.1	0.0	8.5	9.5	+11.8	7.1	5.0	-29.6				
7, 8	30 7-1b E G	10.8	9.4	-13.0	10.0	9.0	-10.0	8.4	7.3	-13.1	6.1	5.1	-16.4				
11, 12	30 7-1b S.C	13.1	13.6	+3.8	11.3	8.7	-23.0	9.3	9.8	+5.4	8.1	7.5	-7.4				
Composite		11.7	10.8	-7.7	9.8	8.6	-12.2	8.7	8.9	+2.3	7.1	5.9	-16.9				
15, 16	38 0-1b U S	10.8	9.6	-11.1	10.1	9.4	-6.9	11.9	9.7	-18.5	7.8	8.2	+5.1				
14, 13	35 8-1b E G	11.6	11.0	-5.2	8.5	10.1	+18.8	8.5	9.0	+5.9	6.5	7.1	+9.2				
15, 17	35 8-1b S C	16.8	11.6	-31.0	12.2	11.4	-6.6	13.5	10.9	-19.3	7.6	8.4	+10.5				
Composite		13.1	10.7	-18.3	10.3	10.3	0.0	11.3	9.9	-12.4	7.3	7.9	+8.2				
23, 24	42 0-1b U S	12.0	10.1	-15.8	9.3	9.6	+3.2	13.9	12.0	-13.7	8.1	8.9	+1.2				
19, 20	41 0-1b E G	14.0	10.6	-24.3	11.0	9.8	-10.9	11.8	7.6	-35.6	8.7	7.6	-12.6				
22, 21	41 0-1b S C	14.4	14.2	-1.4	10.7	12.0	+12.1	13.9	9.3	-33.1	8.2	8.1	+1.2				
Composite		13.5	11.6	-14.1	10.3	10.5	+1.9	13.2	9.6	-27.3	8.3	7.9	-4.8				

^a U.S. 26.0-1b. "medium" used as reference.

TABLE XLV

COMPARATIVE BOX PERFORMANCE AT 50% R.H. FOR BOXES MADE WITH
23 AND 26-LB. EUROPEAN AND 26-LB. DOMESTIC MEDIUM

Runs	Liner Grade	26-lb. Domestic Medium	23-lb. European Medium	Diff., % ^a	26-lb. European Medium	Diff., % ^a
Top-Load Compression, lb.						
3,4,24D	US-26	530	565	+6.6	545	+2.8
10,9,24C	US-33	595	590	-0.8	655	+10.1
15,16,24B	US-38	635	660	+3.9	645	+1.6
23,24,24A	US-42	730	725	-0.7	730	0.0
Composite		622	635	+2.1	644	+3.5
End-Load Compression, lb.						
3,4,24D	US-26	270	255	-5.6	250	-7.4
10,9,24C	US-33	345	350	+1.4	370	+7.2
15,16,24B	US-38	400	400	0.0	390	-2.5
23,24,24A	US-42	455	440	-3.3	485	+6.6
Composite		368	361	-1.9	374	+1.6
Corner Drop, drops to failure						
3,4,24D	US-26	9.1	6.6	-27.5	6.6	-27.5
10,9,24C	US-33	10.1	8.7	-13.9	8.6	-14.9
15,16,24B	US-38	12.2	11.6	-4.9	10.0	-18.0
23,24,24A	US-42	13.3	10.4	-21.8	11.4	-14.3
Composite		11.2	9.3	-17.0	9.2	-17.9
Drum, falls to failure						
3,4,24D	US-26	84	67	-20.2	81	-3.6
10,9,24C	US-33	110	110	0.0	128	+16.3
15,16,24B	US-38	154	120	-22.1	94	-39.0
23,24,24A	US-42	144	110	-23.6	138	-4.2
Composite		123	102	-17.1	110	-10.6

^aBased on 26-lb. domestic medium results as reference.

TABLE XLVI

COMPARATIVE BOX PERFORMANCE AT 65% R.H. FOR BOXES MADE WITH
23 AND 26-LB. EUROPEAN AND 26-LB. DOMESTIC MEDIUM

Runs	Liner Grade	26-lb. Domestic Medium	23-lb. European Medium	Diff., % ^a	26-lb. European Medium	Diff., % ^a
Top-Load Compression, lb.						
3,4,24D	US-26	490	520	+6.1	495	+1.0
10,9,24C	US-33	560	540	-3.6	580	+3.6
15,16,24B	US-38	600	600	0.0	605	+0.8
23,24,24A	US-42	670	675	+0.7	645	-3.7
Composite		580	584	+0.7	581	+0.2
End-Load Compression, lb.						
3,4,24D	US-26	235	225	-4.3	230	-2.1
10,9,24C	US-33	330	305	-7.6	325	-1.5
15,16,24B	US-38	360	345	-4.2	390	+8.3
23,24,24A	US-42	420	410	-2.4	420	0.0
Composite		336	321	-4.5	341	+1.5
Corner Drop, drops to failure						
3,4,24D	US-26	11.4	8.1	-28.9	8.3	-27.2
10,9,24C	US-33	13.0	10.4	-20.0	11.9	-8.5
15,16,24B	US-38	13.6	11.7	-14.0	12.5	-8.1
23,24,24A	US-42	15.9	12.9	-18.9	13.8	-13.2
Composite		13.5	10.8	-20.0	11.6	-14.1
Drum, falls to failure						
3,4,24D	US-26	92	62	-32.6	78	-15.2
10,9,24C	US-33	99	106	+7.1	99	0.0
15,16,24B	US-38	150	118	-21.3	114	-24.0
23,24,24A	US-42	185	153	-17.3	121	-34.6
Composite		132	110	-16.7	103	-22.0

^aBased on 26-lb. domestic medium results as reference.

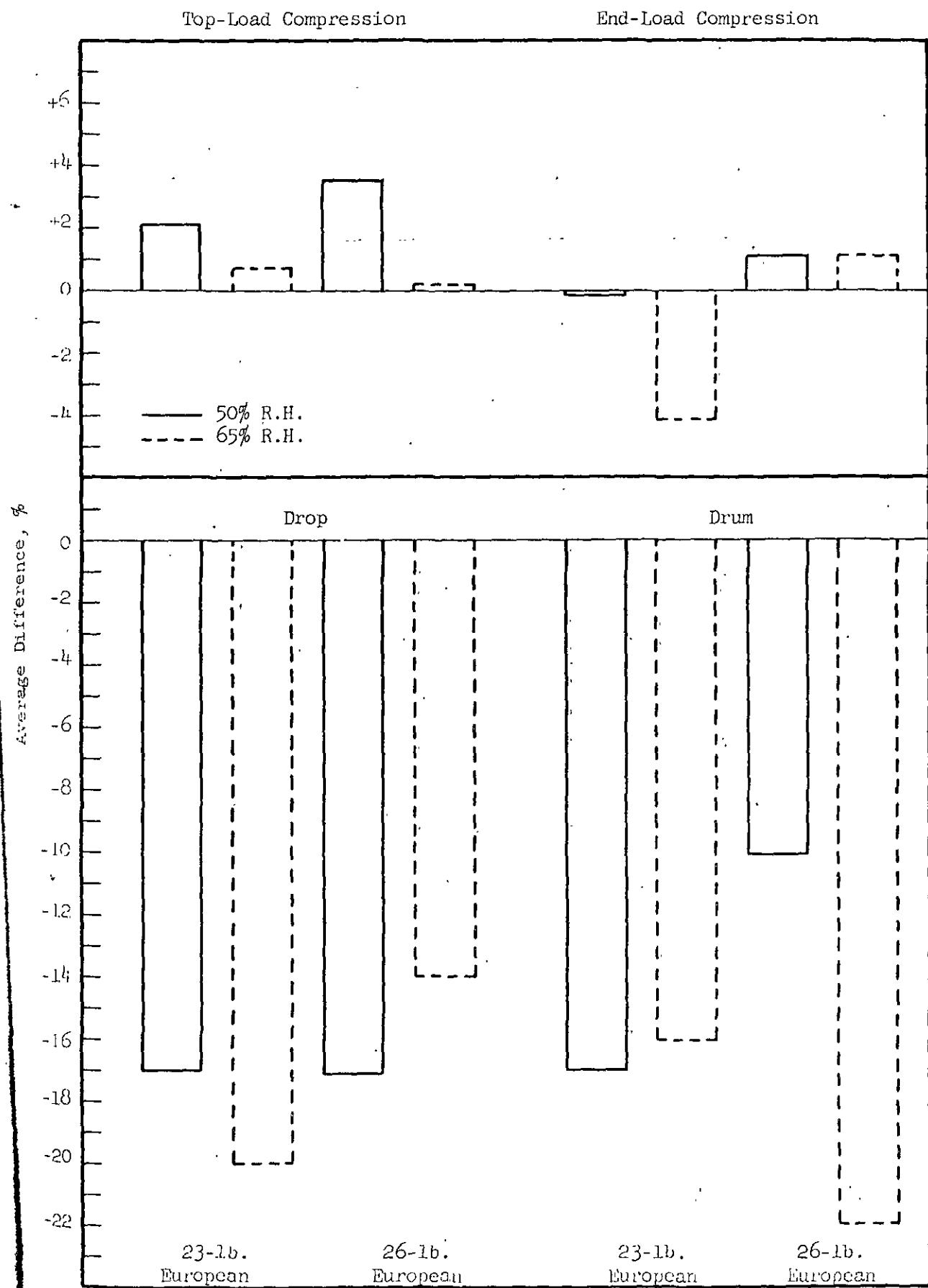


Figure 44. Comparison of the Effect of Medium (26-lb. U.S. as Reference
vs., 23-lb. and 26-lb. European Mediums) on Average Difference.

compression than boxes made with 26.0-lb. U.S. mediums; however, the differences are not believed to be significant. When rough handling is considered it may be seen that boxes made with European mediums give lower performance than boxes made with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium. There appears to be little if any difference between the rough handling performance of boxes made with 23.0-lb. and 26.0-lb. European mediums.

B. Comparison of the Physical Properties of Combined Boards Fabricated with U.S. and European Mediums

It may be recalled that each of the linerboards used in this study was fabricated with a 23-lb. European and a 26-lb. U.S. semichemical corrugating medium into A-flute and B-flute combined boards and boxes. In addition, the U.S. linerboards were also fabricated with a roll of 26-lb. European corrugating medium into A-flute combined board and boxes.

For the purpose of comparing the relative effects of 23-lb. European and 26-lb. U.S. mediums on physical properties of the combined boards, the combined board results presented in Tables XVI and XVII have been retabulated in Tables XLVII through LIX. A comparison of the effect of type of medium on combined board weight and bursting strength may be noted from the results tabulated in Tables XLVII and XLVIII, respectively, for 50 and 65% R.H. As would be expected, the combined board made with the 23.0-lb. European medium exhibits 3-5% lower weight. The composite average difference in basis weight of combined board made with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium and 23.0-lb. European medium is as follows and is graphically illustrated in Fig. 45.

TABLE XLVII
EFFECT OF TYPE OF MEDIUM ON COMBINED BOARD WEIGHT AND BURSTING STRENGTH
(50% Relative humidity)

Run	Nominal Weight Linerboard	Basis Weight, lb./M sq. ft.						Bursting Strength, p.s.i.g.					
		26-lb. US Medium	23-lb. US Medium	Bur. Diff., %	26-lb. US Medium	23-lb. US Medium	Bur. Diff., %	26-lb. US Medium	23-lb. US Medium	Bur. Diff., %	26-lb. US Medium	23-lb. US Medium	Bur. Diff., %
5,4	25.0-lb. US	102	97	-4.9	94	89	-3.2	148	149	+0.7	130	135	+3.8
2,1	25.6-lb. EG	99	94	-5.1	94	89	-5.3	204	204	0.0	168	182	+8.3
6,5	25.6-lb. SC	97	93	-4.1	94	89	-5.3	232	236	+1.7	172	186	+8.1
Composite		99.5	94.7	-4.6	94	89.7	-4.6	195	196	+0.5	157	168	+7.0
10,9	35.0-lb. US	114	109	-4.4	111	106	-4.5	218	224	+2.8	184	206	+12.0
7,8	30.7-lb. EG	108	104	-3.7	105	100	-4.8	241	264	+9.5	238	262	+10.1
11,12	30.7-lb. SC	107	103	-3.7	104	98	-5.8	232	240	+3.4	214	232	+8.4
Composite		109.7	105.3	-4.0	106.7	101.3	-5.1	230	243	+5.7	212	233	+9.9
15,16	38.0-lb. US	123	118	-4.1	119	113	-5.0	218	222	+1.8	190	219	+15.3
14,23	35.7-lb. EG	119	114	-4.2	114	109	-4.4	298	298	0.0	262	282	+7.6
13,17	35.7-lb. SC	118	113	-4.2	114	107	-6.1	279	280	+0.4	262	272	+3.6
Composite		120.0	115.0	-4.2	115.7	109.7	-5.2	265	267	+0.8	238	258	+8.4
23,24	42.0-lb. US	130	126	-3.1	126	120	-4.8	210	287	+19.6	226	235	+4.0
19,20	41.0-lb. EG	128	123	-5.9	122	119	-2.5	324	322	-0.6	258	255	+2.5
22,21	41.0-lb. SC	124	120	-5.2	118	116	-7.7	297	338	+23.8	292	310	+6.2
Composite		127.3	123.0	-3.4	122.0	118.3	-2.0	287	316	+10.1	259	287	+10.8

^aCombined board made with 26-lb. US medium used as reference.

TABLE CIVIII
EFFECT OF TYPE OF MEDIUM ON COMBINED BOARD WEIGHT AND BURSTING STRENGTH
(65% Relative humidity)

Run	Nominal weight Linerboard	Basis Weight, lb/m ²						Bursting Strength, P.S. 1.6					
		26-lb. US Medium	25-lb. US Medium	26-lb. US Medium	25-lb. US Medium	26-lb. US Medium	25-lb. Bur. Bur.	Diff., %	26-lb. US Medium	25-lb. US Medium	26-lb. US Medium	25-lb. Eur. Bur.	Diff., %
A-Flute													
3,4	26.0-lb. US	104	99	-4.8	98	94	164	+4.2	170	+3.7	132	139	+5.3
2,1	25.6-lb. EG	101	96	-5.0	96	91	228	-5.2	202	-11.4	184	237	+28.3
6,5	25.6-lb. SC	99	95	-4.0	96	90	258	-6.2	251	-2.7	236	251	+6.4
Composite		101.3	96.7	-4.5	96.7	91.7	217	-5.2	208	-4.1	184	209	+13.6
10,9	35.0-lb. US	116	112	-3.4	113	110	239	-2.7	250	+4.6	208	229	+10.1
7,3	30.7-lb. EG	111	107	-3.6	106	102	290	-3.8	310	+6.9	247	297	+16.2
11,12	30.7-lb. SC	110	104	-5.5	106	101	246	-4.7	258	+4.9	238	227	-4.6
Composite		112.3	107.7	-4.1	108.3	104.3	258	-5.7	273	+5.8	231	243	+7.4
15,16	38.0-lb. US	126	122	-3.2	121	115	242	-5.0	242	0.0	248	251	+1.2
14,13	35.8-lb. EG	125	117	-4.9	116	112	315	-3.4	322	+2.2	295	326	+10.5
18,17	35.8-lb. SC	120	116	-3.3	115	109	320	-5.2	336	+5.0	290	320	+10.3
Composite		125	118.3	-3.8	117.3	112	4.5	-4.5	292	+2.7	278	299	+7.6
25,24	42.0-lb. US	133	128	-3.8	128	122	260	-4.7	260	+9.2	254	278	+9.4
19,20	41.0-lb. EG	131	127	-3.1	126	121	346	-4.0	347	+0.3	323	342	+5.9
22,21	41.0-lb. SC	129	122	-5.4	125	115	348	-6.5	376	+8.0	334	344	+3.0
Composite		131	125.7	-4.0	125.7	119.3	318	-5.1	336	+5.7	304	321	+5.7

^aCombined board made with 26-lb. US medium used as reference.

TABLE XLIX
EFFECT OF TYPE OF MEDIUM ON COMBINED BOARD FLAT CRUSH AND PUNCTURE STRENGTH
(50% Relative humidity)

Run	Nominal Weight Linerboard	Flat Crush, p.s.i.						Puncture, unit					
		26-lb. US Medium	25-lb. Bur. Medium	20-lb. US Medium	25-lb. Eur. Medium	26-lb. US Medium	25-lb. Eur. Medium	26-lb. US Medium	25-lb. Bur. Medium	26-lb. US Medium	25-lb. Eur. Medium	26-lb. US Medium	25-lb. Eur. Medium
Composite	3,4 2,1 6,5	26.0-lb. US 33.8	25.6-lb. BG 30.6	25.6-lb. SC 30.6	36.2 35.5	30.8 30.3	-14.9 -16.8	54.4 54.9	-2.2 -12.1	185 180	171 160	-7.6 -11.1	162 160
	7,8 11,12	25.0-lb. US 30.7-lb. BG 30.7-lb. SC	25.7-lb. BG 30.0	25.4 32.5	21.6 33.5	-10.7 -12.4	56.1 53.4	47.2 47.8	-15.9 -10.5	200 190	188 179	-6.0 -5.8	192 180
	15,16 11,17	26.0-lb. US 35.9-lb. BG 35.2-lb. SC	26.0 35.7	32.3 34.7	32.3 32.3	-10.3 -11.7	52.3 51.0	46.0 47.3	-10.3 -7.3	218 206	210 194	-3.7 -5.8	197 182
	21,22 22,21	26.0-lb. US 31.0-lb. BG 31.0-lb. SC	25.8 27.5	32.8 31.5	32.8 31.5	-6.9 -6.9	52.4 51.6	44.9 46.1	-14.5 -10.7	216 213	210 201	-7.4 -5.6	197 191
	23,24 19,20 22,21	26.3-lb. US 31.0-lb. BG 31.0-lb. SC	35.4 35.4	34.8 34.7	34.8 34.7	-1.7 -2.0	52.5 52.2	46.8 42.5	-10.9 -18.6	222 233	220 214	-5.2 -7.4	196 195
	C-posite	26.0-lb. US 31.0-lb. SC	30.1	29.5	29.5	-0.6 -4.4	46.2 45.2	46.2 45.2	-7.4 -12.2	235 214	235 214	-8.2 -8.2	204 192

^aCombined board made with 26.0-lb. US medium used as reference.

TABLE L
EFFECT OF TYPE OF MEDIUM ON COMBINED BOARD FLAT CRUSH AND PUNCTURE STRENGTH
(65% Relative humidity)

Run	Nominal Weight	25-lb US Medium	Flat Crush, p.s.i.				Puncture, unit			
			25-lb US Medium	26-lb US Medium	Dif., %	Bur. Medium	25-lb US Medium	Dif., %	26-lb US Medium	Dif., %
3,4	26 0-lb. US	33.5	30.0	-10.4	56.1	52.2	-7.0	182	164	-4.9
2,1	25.6-lb. BG	32.6	27.6	-15.3	55.9	45.9	-17.7	176	160	-9.1
6,5	25 6-lb. SC	33.5	29.6	-11.6	55.9	49.0	-12.3	170	158	-7.1
CC-composite	25.2	29.1	-12.3	55.9	49.0	-12.3	176	161	-8.5	-8.7
10,9	33 0-lb. US	32.6	28.7	-12.0	53.4	48.5	-9.2	196	189	-3.6
7,3	30.7-lb. BG	31.6	30.1	-1.7	55.2	49.6	-10.1	195	183	-6.2
11,12	30.7-lb. SC	31.5	30.5	-3.2	53.6	51.9	-3.2	191	176	-7.9
Composite	32.9	29.8	-9.4	54.1	50.0	-7.6	194	183	-5.6	-9.1
15,16	38 0-lb. US	32.6	29.7	-8.9	55.6	53.4	-4.5	216	214	-0.9
11,13	35.8-lb. BG	30.3	30.9	+2.0	54.3	48.7	-10.3	214	200	-6.5
18,17	35 8-lb. SC	35.2	30.8	-7.5	51.4	53.5	+4.1	216	198	-8.3
Composite	32.1	30.5	-5.0	53.9	51.9	-3.7	215	204	-5.1	-5.7
23,24	42 0-lb. US	31.2	30.4	-2.6	56.2	51.3	-8.7	238	216	-9.2
19,20	41 0-lb. BG	32.0	30.9	-3.4	55.4	51.9	-6.3	230	226	-1.7
22,21	41 0-lb. SC	32.9	31.8	-3.3	52.9	52.7	-0.4	209	226	-7.5
Composite	32.0	31.0	-3.1	54.8	52.0	-5.1	231	217	-6.1	-6.7

^aCombined board made with 26 0-lb. US medium used as reference.

TABLE LI

EFFECT OF TYPE OF MEDIUM ON COMBINED BOARD TORSION TEAR STRENGTH
(50% Relative humidity)

Run	Nominal Weight Linerboard	Average Torsion Tear, in.-oz.						Scoreline Torsion Tear, in.-oz					
		26-lb Medium	US Medium	23-lb. Eur. Medium	26-lb. US Medium	23-lb. Eur. Medium	Diff., ^a %	26-lb Medium	US Medium	23-lb. Eur. Medium	26-lb. US Medium	23-lb. Eur. Medium	Diff., ^a %
		A-Flute			B-Flute			A-Flute			B-Flute		
5,14	26.0-lb. US	215	186	-26.0	185	159	+0.5	202	162	-19.8	177	152	-14.1
2,1	25.6-lb. EG	196	168	-26.0	176	145	-17.6	186	151	-18.8	168	135	-19.6
6,5	25.6-lb. SC	182	176	-3.5	176	150	-14.8	172	154	-10.5	156	141	-9.6
Composite		198	176	-11.1	179	151	-15.6	187	156	-16.6	167	143	-14.4
10,9	33.0-lb. US	244	214	-12.3	224	190	-15.2	204	180	-11.8	208	181	-13.0
7,8	30.7-lb. EG	218	196	-10.1	196	178	-9.2	193	172	-10.9	188	163	-13.3
11,12	30.7-lb. SC	212	196	-7.6	195	167	-9.2	199	180	-9.5	203	168	-17.2
Composite		225	202	-10.2	205	178	-13.2	199	177	-11.5	200	171	-14.5
15,16	38.0-lb. US	266	246	-7.5	232	204	-12.1	227	203	-10.6	216	194	-10.2
14,13	35.8-lb. EG	242	211	-12.8	217	191	-12.0	218	181	-17.0	195	174	-10.8
13,17	35.8-lb. SC	227	218	-4.0	230	198	-13.9	201	201	0.0	226	188	-16.8
Composite		245	225	-8.2	226	198	-12.4	215	195	-9.3	212	185	-12.7
23,24	42.0-lb. US	280	255	-8.9	258	224	-13.2	230	204	-11.3	236	200	-15.3
19,20	41.0-lb. EG	256	238	-7.0	241	214	-11.2	214	204	-4.7	224	204	-8.9
22,21	41.0-lb. SC	242	216	-10.7	222	204	-8.1	204	185	-9.3	206	191	-7.3
Composite		259	236	-8.9	240	214	-10.8	216	198	-8.3	222	198	-10.8

^aCombined board made with 26.0-lb. US medium used as reference.

TABLE III
EFFECT OF TYPE OF MEDIUM ON COMBINED STAND TORSION TEAR STRENGTH
(65% Relative Humidity)

Row	Nominal Weight	25-lb Medium	25-lb US Medium	25-lb E.R. Medium	Average Torsion Tear, in.-oz.				Scoreline Torsion Tear, in.-oz.							
					26-lb Medium	26-lb US Medium	26-lb E.R. Medium	Dif. %	25-lb Medium	25-lb US Medium	25-lb E.R. Medium	Dif. %	26-lb Medium	26-lb US Medium	26-lb E.R. Medium	Dif. %
3,4	26 0-lb. US	256	200	-15.3	200	182	-9.0	223	187	-16.2	190	-7.4	176	-7.4	176	-7.4
2,5	25 6-lb. EG	225	178	-20.2	192	174	-9.4	203	164	-19.2	192	-15.1	165	-15.1	165	-15.1
5,6	25 6-lb. SC	220	202	-8.2	194	168	-14.4	180	194	-7.2	178	-11.2	158	-11.2	158	-11.2
Composite	226	195	-14.6	195	175	-10.3	207	177	-14.5	187	-11.2	165	-11.2	165	-11.2	165
10,9	25 0-lb. US	264	246	-5.9	254	226	-11.0	234	212	-9.4	244	-15.2	207	-15.2	207	-15.2
7,8	30 0-lb. EG	241	216	-10.4	250	202	-22.2	222	193	-13.1	225	-14.7	192	-14.7	192	-14.7
11,12	30 7-lb. SC	238	206	-15.4	222	196	-11.7	223	201	-9.9	223	-12.1	196	-12.1	196	-12.1
Composite	248	223	-10.1	235	208	-11.5	226	202	-10.6	231	-14.3	198	-14.3	198	-14.3	198
15,16	38 0-lb. US	298	274	-8.1	266	236	-11.3	260	225	-13.5	242	-15.3	205	-15.3	205	-15.3
14,15	35 8-lb. EG	271	230	-15.1	232	206	-11.2	248	195	-21.4	226	-10.6	202	-10.6	202	-10.6
18,17	35 8-lb. SC	268	255	-4.9	246	228	-7.3	247	229	-7.3	251	-15.5	217	-15.5	217	-15.5
Composite	279	253	-9.3	248	223	-10.1	252	216	-13.7	240	-13.3	208	-13.3	208	-13.3	208
23,24	42 0-lb. US	296	282	-4.7	285	238	-16.5	255	225	-7.8	265	-16.2	222	-16.2	222	-16.2
19,20	41 0-lb. EG	280	272	-2.9	253	240	-5.1	251	228	-5.2	241	-14.1	207	-14.1	207	-14.1
22,21	41 0-lb. SC	272	246	-9.6	244	216	-11.5	259	207	-13.4	241	-12.0	212	-12.0	212	-12.0
Composite	283	267	-5.7	261	231	-11.5	248	227	-8.5	249	-14.1	214	-14.1	214	-14.1	214

^aCombined board made with 26.0-lb. US medium used as reference.

TABLE LIII
EFFECT OF TYPE OF MEDIUM OF COMBINED BOARD ON CALIPER AND FLEXURAL STIFFNESS GEOMETRIC MEAN
(50% relative humidity)

Run	Nominal Weight Linerboard	Flexural Stiffness Mean $\frac{D_x D_y}{D_z}$, lb.-in.						Caliper, pt.					
		26-lb. US Medium	23-lb. US Medium	26-lb. US Diff., a %									
3,1	25.0-lb. US	82.6	90.3	+9.9	29.1	+2.4	191	+1.0	113	-0.9	112	-0.9	
2,1	25.6-lb. EG	97.1	93.5	+7.3	33.2	+6.7	188	0.0	111	-1.8	109	-1.8	
5,5	25.6-lb. SC	92.6	93.0	+0.4	32.1	-3.1	189	+0.5	111	-1.8	109	-1.8	
Composite		87.4	92.4	+5.7	31.5	+2.5	189	+0.5	112	-1.8	110	-1.8	
10,9	33.0-lb. US	125.1	131.4	+5.0	39.5	+2.0	193	-0.5	115	-2.6	112	-2.6	
7,8	30.7-lb. EG	134.1	134.2	+7.5	46.0	+2.6	188	+1.1	112	-2.7	109	-2.7	
11,12	30.7-lb. SC	117.5	128.1	+9.0	38.2	+0.4	190	0.0	114	-2.6	111	-2.6	
Composite		125.6	134.6	+7.2	41.2	-0.2	190	+0.5	114	-2.6	111	-2.6	
15,16	33.0-lb. US	118.1	122.6	+3.8	40.7	39.6	-2.7	200	195	-2.5	117	-2.6	
14,15	35.8-lb. EG	168.6	169.3	+0.4	53.8	52.0	-3.3	196	194	-1.0	114	-0.9	
16,17	35.8-lb. SC	132.7	147.4	+11.2	43.2	45.2	+4.9	197	194	-1.5	114	-0.9	
Composite		139.7	146.4	+4.8	45.9	45.6	+6.5	198	194	-1.5	115	-1.7	
23,24	42.0-lb. US	142.2	140.1	-1.5	42.3	42.6	+0.7	199	194	-2.5	118	-2.5	
19,20	41.0-lb. EG	181.9	203.8	+12.0	57.8	58.0	+0.3	197	196	-0.5	117	-3.4	
22,21	41.0-lb. SC	164.6	166.0	+0.9	48.0	48.0	0.0	200	196	-2.0	116	-1.7	
Composite		162.9	170.0	+4.4	49.4	49.5	+0.2	199	195	-2.0	118	-2.5	

a Combined board made with 26.0-lb. US medium used as reference.

TABLE LIV
EFFECT OF TYPE OF MEDIUM OF COMBINED BOARD ON CALIPER AND FLEXURAL STIFFNESS GEOMETRIC MEAN
(65% Relative humidity)

Run	Nominal Weight linerboard	26-lb. US Medium	23-lb. Eur. Medium	Flexural Stiffness Mean $\frac{D_{xy}}{D_y}$, lb.-in.			Caliper, pt.		
				A-Flute	B-Flute	A-Flute	26-lb. US Medium	23-lb. Eur. Medium	Diffr., a %
3,4	26.0-lb. US	81.7	84.4	15.5	26.8	+2.5	196	192	-2.0
2,1	25.6-lb. EG	93.5	95.9	+0.4	51.8	+2.6	188	190	+1.1
6,5	25.6-lb. SC	85.1	95.7	+1.9	23.5	-2.7	190	185	-2.6
Composite		86.8	88.3	+1.7	28.6	+0.7	191	189	-1.0
10,9	33.0-lb. US	111.4	110.7	-0.6	35.5	36.0	+1.4	193	-0.5
7,8	30.7-lb. EG	119.1	123.4	+7.3	38.3	+1.8	191	190	-0.5
11,12	30.7-lb. SC	111.9	107.5	-2.9	34.7	0.0	195	194	-0.5
Composite		114.1	115.5	+1.2	36.2	+1.1	193	192	-0.5
15,16	38.0-lb. US	109.6	110.2	+0.6	37.2	+1.5	198	194	-2.0
14,13	35.8-lb. EG	149.3	147.6	-1.1	49.8	48.9	-1.8	196	195
16,17	35.8-lb. SC	116.8	125.6	+7.5	41.3	+5.4	195	195	0.0
Composite		125.2	127.8	+2.1	42.1	+2.5	196	195	-0.5
23,24	42.0-lb. US	122.3	123.8	+1.2	41.0	39.6	-3.4	199	-0.5
19,20	41.0-lb. EG	163.7	160.5	-2.0	55.9	56.4	+4.6	197	-0.5
22,21	41.0-lb. SC	157.8	135.4	-1.7	48.1	44.1	-8.2	198	-1.0
Composite		141.3	139.9	-1.0	47.7	-2.1	197	198	-0.5

a Combined board made with 26.0-lb. US medium used as reference.

TABLE IV
EFFECT OF TYPE OF MEDIUM ON COMBINED BOARD EDGEWISE COMPRESSION
(50% Relative humidity)

Run	Nominal Weight Linerboard	Machine-Direction Edgewise Compression, lb./in.						Cross-Direction Edgewise Compression, lb./in.					
		25-lb. US Medium	25-lb. Eur. Medium	Diff., %	25-lb. US Medium	25-lb. Eur. Medium	Diff., %	25-lb. US Medium	25-lb. Eur. Medium	Diff., %	25-lb. US Medium	25-lb. Eur. Medium	Diff., %
A-Flute													
3,4	26.0-lb. US	12.6	9.7	-24.2	19.4	16.7	-13.9	37.8	39.8	+5.3	38.7	38.3	-2.0
2,1	25.6-lb. EG	9.0	8.5	-5.6	18.0	17.4	-3.3	35.3	38.8	+9.9	36.0	39.9	+10.8
6,5	25.6-lb. SC	11.1	9.8	-11.7	18.9	19.2	+1.6	32.8	36.6	+11.6	40.1	40.1	+6.9
B-Flute													
10,9	35.0-lb. US	14.9	13.4	-10.1	29.8	28.3	-5.0	41.7	44.8	+7.4	48.0	49.9	+4.0
7,3	30.7-lb. EG	13.6	13.8	+1.5	24.6	23.2	+1.6	38.3	42.4	+8.1	45.8	46.6	+1.7
11,12	30.7-lb. SC	16.5	15.7	-4.8	27.6	23.0	-16.7	38.7	41.0	+3.7	44.0	43.9	-0.2
Composite													
15,16	38.0-lb. US	16.7	18.2	+10.8	31.5	30.5	-3.2	45.9	45.8	+0.3	48.3	48.8	+1.0
14,13	35.8-lb. EG	13.1	17.1	+5.5	31.8	30.4	-4.4	43.2	46.5	+7.6	50.9	51.0	+0.2
13,17	35.8-lb. SC	17.2	16.0	-7.0	28.6	28.8	+0.7	45.2	47.4	+4.9	47.0	51.7	+10.0
Composite													
23,24	42.0-lb. US	21.2	21.2	0.0	37.0	31.9	-13.8	47.4	50.3	+6.1	49.8	52.6	+5.6
13,20	41.0-lb. EG	20.1	22.2	+10.4	41.0	38.0	-7.3	50.1	52.2	+4.2	52.4	54.0	+3.1
22,21	41.0-lb. SC	23.4	25.5	+9.0	35.2	35.4	+0.6	47.0	53.6	+14.0	46.8	52.3	+11.8
Composite													
		21.6	23.0	+6.5	37.7	35.1	-6.9	48.2	52.0	+7.9	49.7	53.0	+6.6

^aCombined board made with 25-lb. US medium used as reference.

TABLE LVII
EFFECT OF TYPE OF MEDIUM ON COMBINED BOARD EDGEWISE COMPRESSION
(65% Relative humidity), lb./in.

Run	Nominal Weight Linerboard	Machine-Direction Edgewise Compression, lb./in.						Cross-Direction Edgewise Compression, lb./in.					
		26-lb. US Medium	25-lb. Eur. Medium	Diffr., %	26-1b. US Medium	25-1b. Eur. Medium	Diffr., %	26-lb. US Medium	25-lb. US Medium	Diffr., %	26-lb. US Medium	25-lb. Eur. Medium	Diffr., %
3,4	26 0-1b. US	12.2	11.8	-3.5	20.7	20.1	-2.9	36.5	38.9	+6.6	37.7	38.3	+1.6
2,1	25 6-1b. EG	11.0	10.2	-7.3	18.5	17.6	-4.9	34.6	37.3	+7.8	35.6	37.0	+6.9
6,5	25 6-1b. SC	12.3	10.9	-11.4	19.3	19.6	+1.6	33.7	35.8	+6.2	36.2	36.9	+2.7
Composite		11.6	11.0	-6.2	19.5	19.1	-2.1	31.9	37.3	+6.9	36.4	37.7	+3.6
10,9	33.0-1b. US	15.6	14.7	-7.0	29.0	27.1	-6.6	41.4	43.6	+5.3	43.4	45.1	+3.9
7,8	30.7-1b. EG	14.2	14.0	-1.4	25.8	22.8	-11.6	40.5	41.4	+2.2	42.2	43.7	-0.7
11,12	30.7-1b. SC	17.2	16.5	-4.1	26.0	25.6	-9.2	36.8	42.6	+9.8	41.8	45.0	+7.7
Composite		15.7	15.1	-3.9	26.9	21.5	-8.9	40.2	42.5	+5.7	43.1	44.6	+8.1
15,16	38.0-1b. US	20.7	19.3	-6.8	32.2	30.7	-4.7	42.7	45.6	+6.8	45.2	44.9	-0.4
14,15	35.8-1b. EG	19.8	18.0	-9.1	35.0	32.4	-7.4	43.7	46.4	+6.2	46.3	50.8	+9.7
13,17	35.8-1b. SC	19.4	17.4	-10.3	30.6	28.5	-7.2	42.7	45.9	+7.5	44.8	48.1	+7.4
Composite		20.0	18.2	-9.0	32.6	30.5	-6.4	43.0	46.0	+7.0	45.4	47.9	+5.5
23,24	42.0-1b. US	23.7	20.9	-11.8	36.9	35.3	-4.3	46.9	50.0	+6.6	47.1	49.8	+5.7
19,20	41.0-1b. EG	26.5	24.5	-7.5	40.0	38.9	-2.8	48.6	50.9	+4.7	44.7	48.8	+5.1
22,21	41.0-1b. SC	24.0	25.6	+6.7	40.1	38.0	-5.2	47.2	50.5	+7.0	46.1	45.3	+7.9
Composite		24.7	23.7	-4.0	37.4	39.0	-4.1	47.6	50.5	+6.1	47.1	49.7	+5.5

aCombined board made with 26-1b. US medium used as reference.

TABLE LVIII
EFFECT OF TYPE OF MEDIUM ON PIN ADHESION

Run	Nominal Weight Linerboard	(50% Relative Humidity)				Pin Adhesion, lb./ $\frac{1}{4}$ sq. in.				(65% Relative Humidity)			
		26-lb. US Medium	25-lb. Eur. Medium	Diff., %	26-lb. US Medium	25-lb. Eur. Medium	Diff., %	26-lb. US Medium	25-lb. Eur. Medium	Diff., %	26-lb. US Medium	25-lb. Eur. Medium	Diff., %
3,4	26.0-1b. US	42	38	-9.5	76	76	0.0	36	30	-16.7	79	70	-11.4
3,1	25.6-1b. EG	35	33	-5.7	62	56	-9.7	35	31	-11.4	70	58	-17.1
6,5	25.6-1b. SC	32	28	-12.5	72	64	11.1	30	31	+3.3	62	50	-12.9
Composite		36	33	-9.1	70	55	-7.1	34	31	-8.8	70	59	-15.7
10,9	33.0-1b. US	38	34	-10.5	86	70	-18.6	27	31	+14.8	75	77	+2.7
7,8	30.7-1b. EG	30	28	-6.7	65	53	-18.5	30	25	-16.7	69	57	-17.4
11,12	30.7-1b. SC	35	32	-8.6	65	84	+29.2	32	30	-6.3	68	60	-11.8
Composite		34	31	-8.8	72	69	-4.2	30	29	-3.3	71	65	-8.5
15,16	38.0-1b. US	40	37	-7.5	52	62	+19.2	34	35	+2.9	56	58	+3.6
1,13	35.8-1b. EG	36	32	-11.1	48	50	+4.2	31	30	-3.2	46	68	+47.8
18,17	35.8-1b. SC	35	34	-2.9	60	52	-13.5	31	31	0.0	60	50	-16.7
Composite		37	34	-8.1	53	55	+3.8	32	32	0.0	54	59	+9.3
23,24	42.0-1b. US	44	44	0.0	61	62	+1.6	38	37	-2.6	70	57	-28.6
19,20	41.0-1b. EG	42	42	-4.5	59	56	-5.1	38	36	-5.3	46	52	+23.0
22,21	41.0-1b. SC	44	44	0.0	63	60	-4.8	38	38	0.0	55	63	+24.5
Composite		43	43	-2.3	61	59	-3.3	38	37	-2.6	57	57	0.0

^aCombined board made with 26.0-lb. US medium used as reference.

TABLE LVIII
COMPARATIVE COMBINED BOARD PERFORMANCE AT 50% R.H. FOR A-FLUTE COMBINED BOARDS
MADE WITH 23 AND 26-LB. EUROPEAN MEDIUM AND 26-LB. US MEDIUM

Runs	US Linerboard Grade	26-lb. Domestic Medium	23-lb. European Medium	26-lb. European Medium	Diff., % ^a
Basis Weight, lb./M sq. ft.					
3, 4, 24D	26	102	97	- 4.9	- 1.0
10, 9, 24C	33	114	109	- 4.4	0.0
15, 16, 24B	38	123	118	- 4.1	+ 0.8
23, 24, 24A	42	130	126	- 3.1	- 0.8
Composite		117	112	- 4.3	0.0
Bursting Strength, p.s.i.					
3, 4, 24D	26	148	149	+ 0.7	- 1.4
10, 9, 24C	33	218	224	+ 2.8	- 6.9
15, 16, 24B	38	218	222	+ 1.8	+ 2.8
23, 24, 24A	42	240	287	+19.6	+ 5.0
Composite		206	220	+ 6.8	0.0
Puncture, unit					
3, 4, 24D	26	185	171	- 7.6	+ 0.5
10, 9, 24C	33	200	188	- 6.0	+ 3.0
15, 16, 24B	38	218	210	- 3.7	+ 6.0
23, 24, 24A	42	232	220	- 5.2	0.0
Composite		209	197	- 5.7	+ 2.4
Flat Crush, p.s.i.					
3, 4, 24D	26	36.2	30.8	-14.9	+ 1.1
10, 9, 24C	33	35.4	31.6	-10.7	+ 3.7
15, 16, 24B	38	36.0	32.3	-10.3	- 4.2
23, 24, 24A	42	35.4	34.8	- 1.7	+ 5.1
Composite		35.8	32.4	- 9.5	+ 1.1
Flexural Stiffness ($\frac{lb}{in^3}$), lb. sq. in./in.					
3, 4, 24D	26	82.6	90.8	+ 9.9	+20.2
10, 9, 24C	33	125.1	131.4	+ 5.0	+10.5
15, 16, 24B	38	118.1	122.6	+ 3.8	+ 7.2
23, 24, 24A	42	142.2	140.1	- 1.5	+ 0.9
Composite		117.0	121.2	+ 3.6	+ 8.5
Edgewise Compression, lb./in. (in)					
3, 4, 24D	26	12.8	9.7	-24.2	- 0.8
10, 9, 24C	33	14.9	13.4	-10.1	+ 8.7
15, 16, 24B	38	16.7	18.5	+10.8	+24.0
23, 24, 24A	42	21.2	21.2	0.0	+14.2
Composite		16.4	15.7	- 4.3	+12.2

TABLE LVIII (Continued)

COMPARATIVE COMBINED BOARD PERFORMANCE AT 50% R.H. FOR A-FILTE COMBINED BOARDS
MADE WITH 23 AND 26-LB. EUROPEAN MEDIUM AND 26-LB. US MEDIUM

Runs	US Linerboard Grade Weight	26-lb. Domestic Medium	23-lb. European Medium	26-lb. European Medium	26-lb. European Medium	Diff., % ^a	Diff., % ^a
Edgewise Compression, lb./in. (cross)							
1, 4, 24D	26	37.8	39.8	+ 5.3	39.8	+ 5.3	
10, 9, 24C	33	41.7	44.8	+ 7.4	46.6	+11.8	
15, 16, 24B	38	43.9	45.8	+ 4.3	48.1	+ 9.6	
13, 24, 24A	42	47.4	50.3	+ 6.1	50.3	+ 6.1	
Composite		42.7	45.2	+ 5.9	46.2	+ 8.2	
Torsion Tear, in.-oz. (av. in and cross)							
1, 4, 24D	26	215	186	-13.5	202	- 6.0	
1, 9, 24C	33	244	214	-12.3	232	- 4.9	
1, 16, 24B	38	266	246	- 7.5	256	- 3.8	
1, 24, 24A	42	280	255	- 8.9	260	- 7.1	
Composite		251	225	-10.4	238	- 5.2	
Torsion Tear, in.-oz. flap score							
1, 4, 24D	26	202	162	-19.8	176	-12.9	
1, 9, 24C	33	204	180	-11.8	193	- 5.4	
1, 16, 24B	38	227	203	-10.6	210	- 7.5	
1, 24, 24A	42	230	204	-11.3	208	- 9.6	
Composite		216	187	-13.4	197	- 8.8	
Caliper, pt.							
1, 24D	26	191	193	+ 1.0	197	+ 3.1	
1, 9, 24C	33	193	192	- 0.5	197	+ 2.1	
1, 16, 24B	38	200	195	- 2.5	199	- 0.5	
1, 24, 24A	42	199	194	- 2.5	200	+ 0.5	
Composite		196	194	- 1.0	198	+ 1.0	
Pin Adhesion, lb./ $\frac{1}{4}$ sq. in.							
1, 24D	26	42	38	- 9.5	42	0.0	
1, 24C	33	38	34	-10.5	35	- 7.9	
1, 16, 24B	38	40	37	- 7.5	39	- 7.5	
1, 24, 24A	42	44	44	0.0	42	0.0	
Composite		41	38	- 7.3	40	- 2.5	

^aed on 26-lb. domestic medium results as reference.

TABLE LIX

COMPARATIVE COMBINED BOARD PERFORMANCE AT 65% R.H. FOR A-FLUTE COMBINED BOARDS MADE WITH 23- AND 26-LB. EUROPEAN MEDIUM AND 26-LB. DOMESTIC MEDIUM

Runs	US Linerboard Grade Weight	26-lb.		23-lb.		26-lb.	
		Domestic Medium	European Medium	Diff., %	European Medium	Diff., %	
Basis Weight, lb./M sq. ft.							
3,4,24D	26	104	99	- 4.8	103	- 1.0	
10,9,24C	33	116	112	- 3.4	117	+ 0.9	
15,16,24B	38	126	122	- 3.2	127	+ 0.8	
23,24,24A	42	133	128	- 3.8	132	- 0.8	
Composite		120	115	- 4.2	120	0.0	
Bursting Strength, p.s.i.g.							
3,4,24D	26	164	170	+ 3.7	156	- 4.9	
10,9,24C	33	239	250	+ 4.6	222	- 7.1	
15,16,24B	38	242	242	0.0	248	+ 2.5	
23,24,24A	42	260	284	+ 9.2	285	+ 9.6	
Composite		226	236	+ 4.4	228	+ 0.9	
Puncture, unit							
3,4,24D	26	182	164	- 9.9	179	- 1.6	
10,9,24C	33	196	189	- 3.6	206	+ 5.1	
15,16,24B	38	216	214	- 0.9	229	+ 6.0	
23,24,24A	42	238	216	- 9.2	228	- 4.2	
Composite		208	196	- 5.8	210	+ 1.0	
Flat Crush, p.s.i.							
3,4,24D	26	33.5	30.0	- 10.4	36.5	+ 9.0	
10,9,24C	33	32.6	28.7	- 12.0	35.5	+ 8.9	
15,16,24B	38	32.6	29.7	- 8.9	33.9	+ 4.0	
23,24,24A	42	31.2	30.4	- 2.6	34.1	+ 9.3	
Composite		32.5	29.7	- 8.6	35.0	+ 7.7	
Flexural Stiffness ($\sqrt{\frac{D_D}{x-y}}$), lb. sq. in./in.							
3,4,24D	26	81.7	84.4	+ 3.3	85.0	+ 4.0	
10,9,24C	33	111.4	110.7	- 0.6	111.1	- 0.3	
15,16,24B	38	109.6	110.3	+ 0.6	108.5	- 1.0	
23,24,24A	42	122.3	123.8	+ 1.2	122.0	- 0.2	
Composite		106.2	107.3	+ 1.0	106.6	+ 0.4	
Edgewise Compression, lb./in. (in)							
3,4,24D	26	12.2	11.8	- 3.3	13.1	+ 7.4	
10,9,24C	33	15.8	14.7	- 7.0	17.3	+ 9.5	
15,16,24B	38	20.7	19.3	- 6.8	21.0	+ 1.4	
23,24,24A	42	23.7	20.9	- 11.8	24.2	+ 2.1	
Composite		18.1	16.7	- 7.7	18.9	+ 4.4	

TABLE LIX (Continued)

COMPARATIVE COMBINED BOARD PERFORMANCE AT 65% R.H. FOR A-FLUTE COMBINED BOARDS MADE WITH 23- AND 26-LB. EUROPEAN MEDIUM AND 26-LB. DOMESTIC MEDIUM

Runs	Linerboard Grade Weight	US		26-lb. Domestic Medium	23-lb. European Medium	Diff., %	26-lb. European Medium	Diff., %
		26-lb.	23-lb.					
Edgewise Compression, lb./in. (cross)								
3, 4, 24D	26	36.5	38.9	+ 6.6	38.3	+ 4.9		
10, 9, 24C	33	41.4	43.6	+ 5.3	44.0	+ 6.3		
15, 16, 24B	38	42.7	45.6	+ 6.8	46.1	+ 8.0		
23, 24, 24A	42	46.9	50.0	+ 6.6	48.1	+ 2.6		
Composite		41.9	44.5	+ 6.2	44.1	+ 5.3		
Torsion Tear, in.-oz. (av. in and cross)								
3, 4, 24D	26	236	200	-15.3	214	- 9.3		
10, 9, 24C	33	264	246	- 6.8	260	- 1.5		
15, 16, 24B	38	298	274	- 8.1	290	- 2.7		
23, 24, 24A	42	296	282	- 4.7	288	- 2.7		
Composite		274	250	- 8.8	263	- 4.0		
Torsion Tear, in.-oz. (flap score)								
3, 4, 24D	26	223	187	-16.1	188	-15.7		
10, 9, 24C	33	234	212	- 9.4	215	- 8.1		
15, 16, 24B	38	260	225	-13.5	233	-10.4		
23, 24, 24A	42	255	235	- 7.8	234	- 8.2		
Composite		243	215	-11.5	218	-10.3		
Caliper, pt.								
3, 4, 24D	26	196	192	- 2.0	196	0.0		
10, 9, 24C	33	194	193	- 0.5	195	+ 0.5		
15, 16, 24B	38	198	194	- 2.0	197	- 0.5		
23, 24, 24A	42	199	198	- 0.5	198	- 0.5		
Composite		197	194	- 1.5	197	0.0		
Pin Adhesion, lb./4 sq. in.								
3, 4, 24D	26	36	30	-16.7	41	+13.9		
10, 9, 24C	33	27	31	+14.8	33	+ 6.3		
15, 16, 24B	38	34	35	+ 2.9	38	+ 8.6		
23, 24, 24A	42	38	37	- 2.6	37	0.0		
Composite		34	33	- 2.9	37	+ 8.8		

Based on 26-lb. domestic medium results as reported.

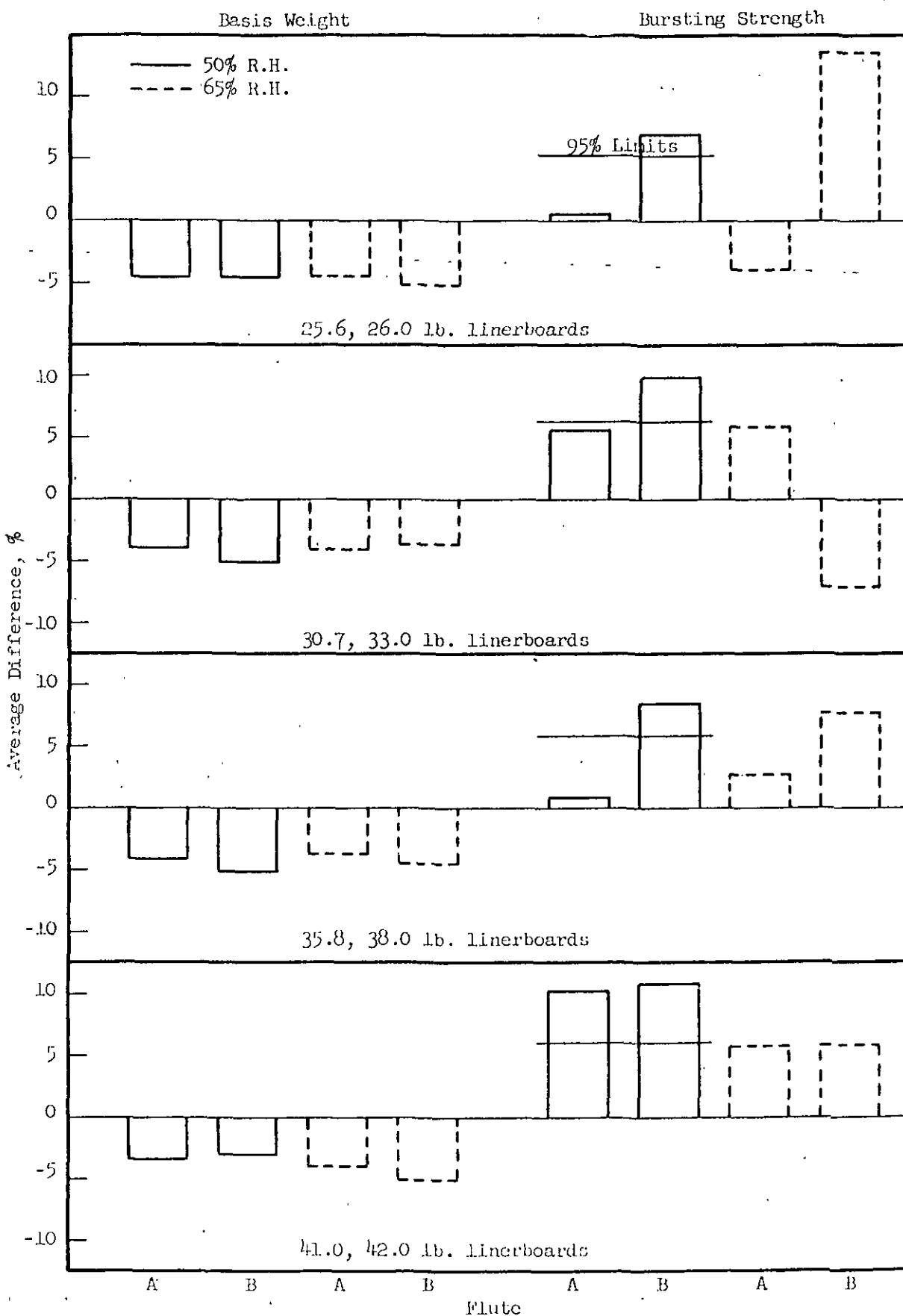


Figure 45. Comparison of the Effect of Type of Medium (26-Lb. U.S. as Reference vs. 23-Lb. European) on Average Difference in Basis Weight and Burting Strength of Combined Board

Composite Average Difference in Weight, %^a

U.S. Linerboard Nominal Weight, (lb./M sq. ft.)	23-lb. European Semicchemical Medium			
	50% R.H.	A-Flute	B-Flute	65% R.H.
A-Flute	B-Flute	A-Flute	B-Flute	
26.0	-4.6	-5.6	-4.5	-5.2
33.0	-4.0	-5.1	-4.1	-3.7
38.0	-4.2	-5.2	-3.8	-4.5
42.0	-3.4	-3.0	-4.0	-5.1

^aCombined board made with 26-lb. U.S. semichemical medium used as reference.

When the bursting strength results are considered it may be seen that, with few exceptions, the boards made with 23.0-lb. European medium give higher bursting strengths. The composite average differences at each of the four grade weight levels are shown in the following tabulation and illustrated in Fig. 45.

Composite Average Difference in Bursting Strength, %^a

U.S. Linerboard Nominal Weight, (lb./M sq. ft.)	23-lb. European Semicchemical Medium			
	50% R.H.	A-Flute	B-Flute	65% R.H.
A-Flute	B-Flute	A-Flute	B-Flute	
26.0	+0.5	+7.0	-4.1	+13.6
33.0	+5.7	+9.9	+5.8	+7.8
38.0	+0.8	+8.4	+2.7	+7.6
42.0	+10.1	+10.8	+5.7	+5.7

^aCombined board made with 26-lb. U.S. semichemical medium used as reference.

It may be seen that the average difference varied from a -4.1 to +13.6. The nature of the difference is believed to be associated with the lower flat crush obtained with the 23.0-lb. European medium.

The flat crush and puncture results tabulated according to type of medium are tabulated in Tables XLIX and L, respectively, for 50 and 65% R.H. For the purpose of comparison the composite average differences in flat crush follow and are illustrated in Fig. 46.

Composite Average Difference in Flat Crush, %^a

U.S. Linerboard Nominal Weight, (lb./M sq. ft.)	23-lb. European Semicchemical Medium			
	50% R.H.		65% R.H.	
	A-Flute	B-Flute	A-Flute	B-Flute
26.0	-13.8	-9.5	-12.3	-12.3
33.0	-10.2	-16.5	-9.4	-7.6
38.0	-9.8	-10.7	-5.0	-3.7
42.0	-4.4	-12.2	-3.1	-5.1

^aCombined board made with 26.0-lb. medium used as reference.

It may be seen that the combined boards made with 26.0-lb. U.S. semi-chemical medium average 3-16% higher in flat crush than the corresponding combined board made with 23-lb. European medium.

The puncture results are also tabulated in Tables XLIX and L for 50 and 65% R.H., respectively. It is well known that the puncture test is markedly influenced by the caliper and flat crush of the combined board. It has just been shown that the flat crush is lower on combined board made with 23.0-lb. European medium and as will be seen later the caliper is also lower. Thus, it is not unexpected that the puncture is in most instances also lower on combined board made with 23.0-lb. European medium. The composite average difference in puncture between board made with 23.0-lb. European medium and 26.0-lb. U.S. medium is shown in the following tabulation and illustrated graphically in Fig. 46.

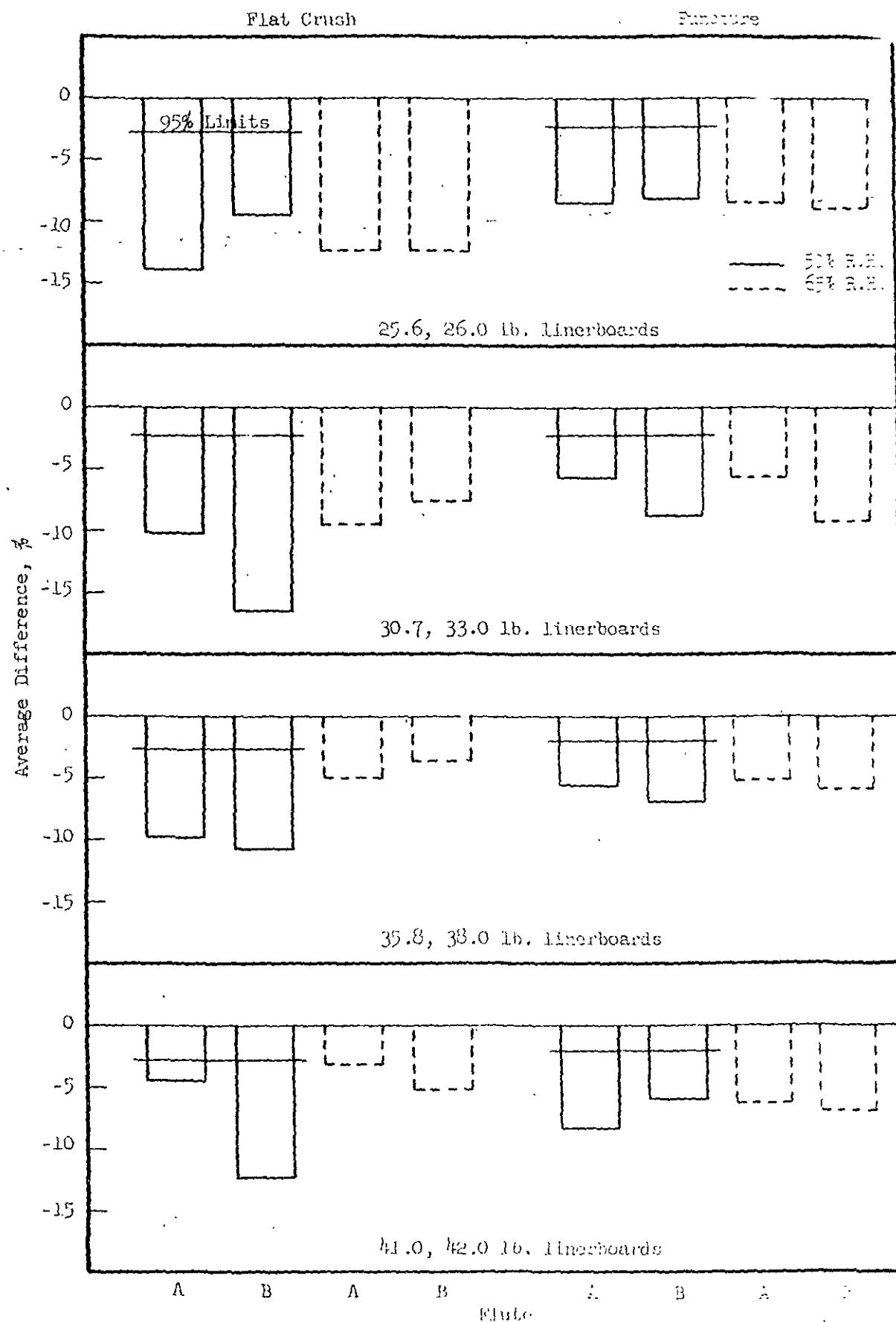


Figure 46. Comparison of the Effect of Type of Flute (16-lb. U.S. Reference vs. 23-lb. European) on Average Difference (Crush and Punct.) in Percentage.

Composite Average Difference in Puncture, %^a

U.S. Linerboard Nominal Weight, (lb./M sq. ft.)	23-lb. European Semicchemical Medium			
	50% R.H.	65% R.H.	A-Flute	B-Flute
26.0	-8.5	-8.1	-8.5	-8.7
33.0	-5.7	-8.8	-5.6	-9.1
38.0	-5.6	-6.8	-5.1	-5.7
42.0	-8.2	-5.9	-6.1	-6.7

^aCombined board made with 26.0-lb. U.S. semichemical medium used as reference.

It may be noted that, on the basis of the composite average differences, the combined boards made with 26.0-lb. U.S. semichemical medium exhibit 5.1 to 9.1% higher puncture strength than the combined boards fabricated with 23.0-lb. European semichemical medium.

A comparison of the torsion tear results tabulated in Tables LI and LII for 50 and 65% R.H., respectively, reveals that in practically all instances the combined boards made with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium give higher torsion tear results. This undoubtedly accounts for the higher rough handling performance obtained on the boxes made with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium in contrast to those made with 23.0-lb. European medium. The composite average differences are shown in the following tabulation and graphically illustrated in Fig. 47.

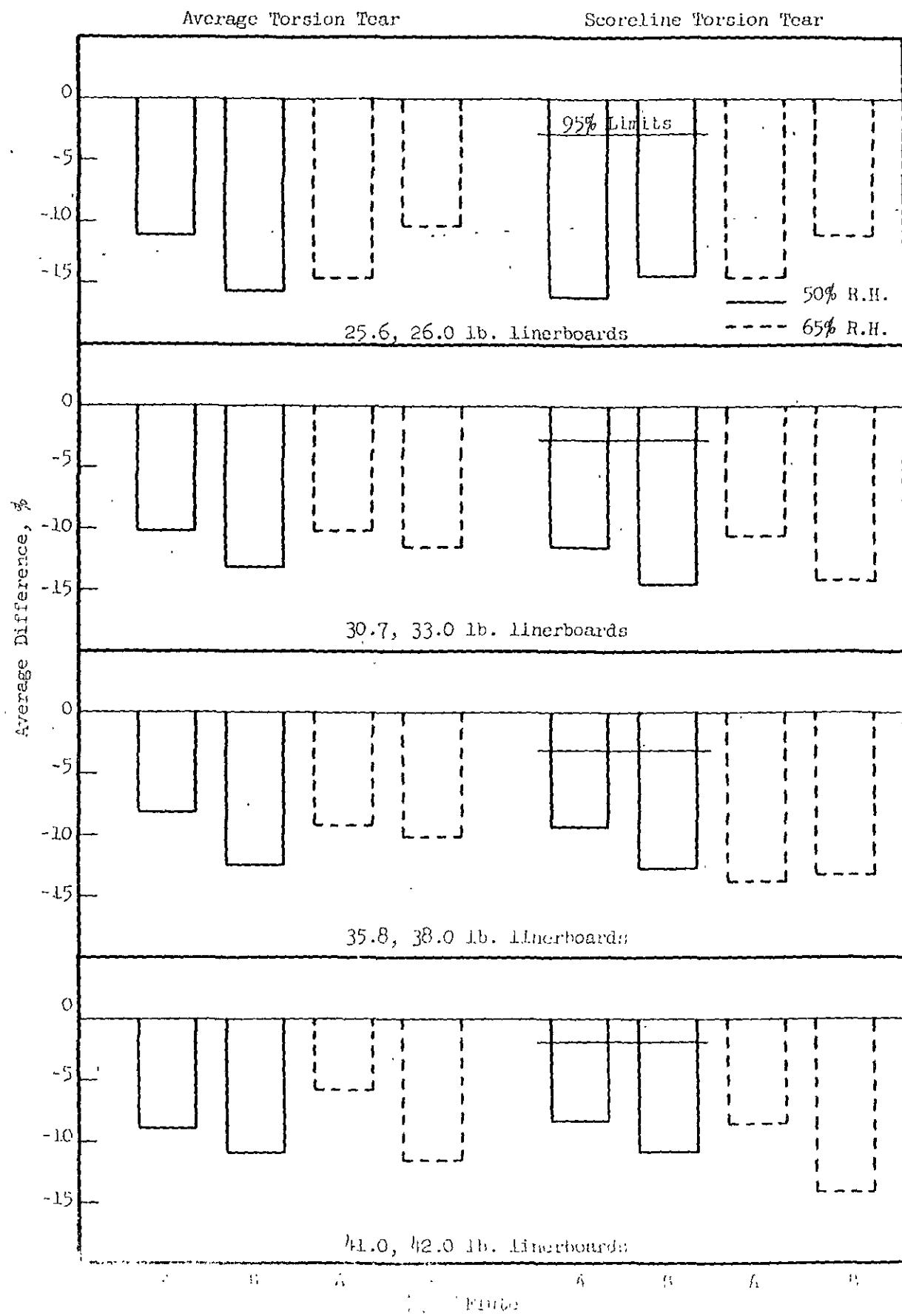


Fig. 1. Comparison of the various types of linerboards (13-lb. ref. vs. 13-lb. European) on average difference in Torsion and Scoreline Torsion Test for two types of linerboards.

U.S. Linerboard Nominal Weight, (lb./M sq. ft.)	Composite Average Diff. in Average Torsion Tear, % ^a		Composite Average Diff. in Scoreline Torsion Tear, % ^a	
	A-Flute	B-Flute	A-Flute	B-Flute
50% R.H.				
26.0	-11.1	-15.6	-16.6	-14.4
33.0	-10.2	-13.2	-11.5	-11.5
38.0	-8.2	-12.4	-9.3	-12.7
42.0	-8.9	-10.8	-8.3	-10.8
65% R.H.				
26.0	-14.6	-10.3	-14.5	-11.2
33.0	-10.1	-11.5	-10.6	-14.3
38.0	-9.3	-10.1	-13.7	-13.3
42.0	-5.7	-11.5	-8.5	-14.1

^aCombined board made with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium used as reference.

The average torsion tear results on unscored boards made with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium are 8-20% higher than on unscored boards made with 23.0-lb. European medium. The corresponding scoreline results on boards made with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium range from 6-15% higher than the corresponding results on boards made with 23.0-lb. European medium.

The caliper and flexural stiffness results, the latter expressed as the geometric mean, are given in Tables LIII and LIV, respectively, for 50 and 65% R.H. In most instances the differences in the mean of the flexural stiffness are not great enough to be considered significant. On the other hand, the caliper is higher on the boards made with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium as would be expected. The results are illustrated in Fig. 48.

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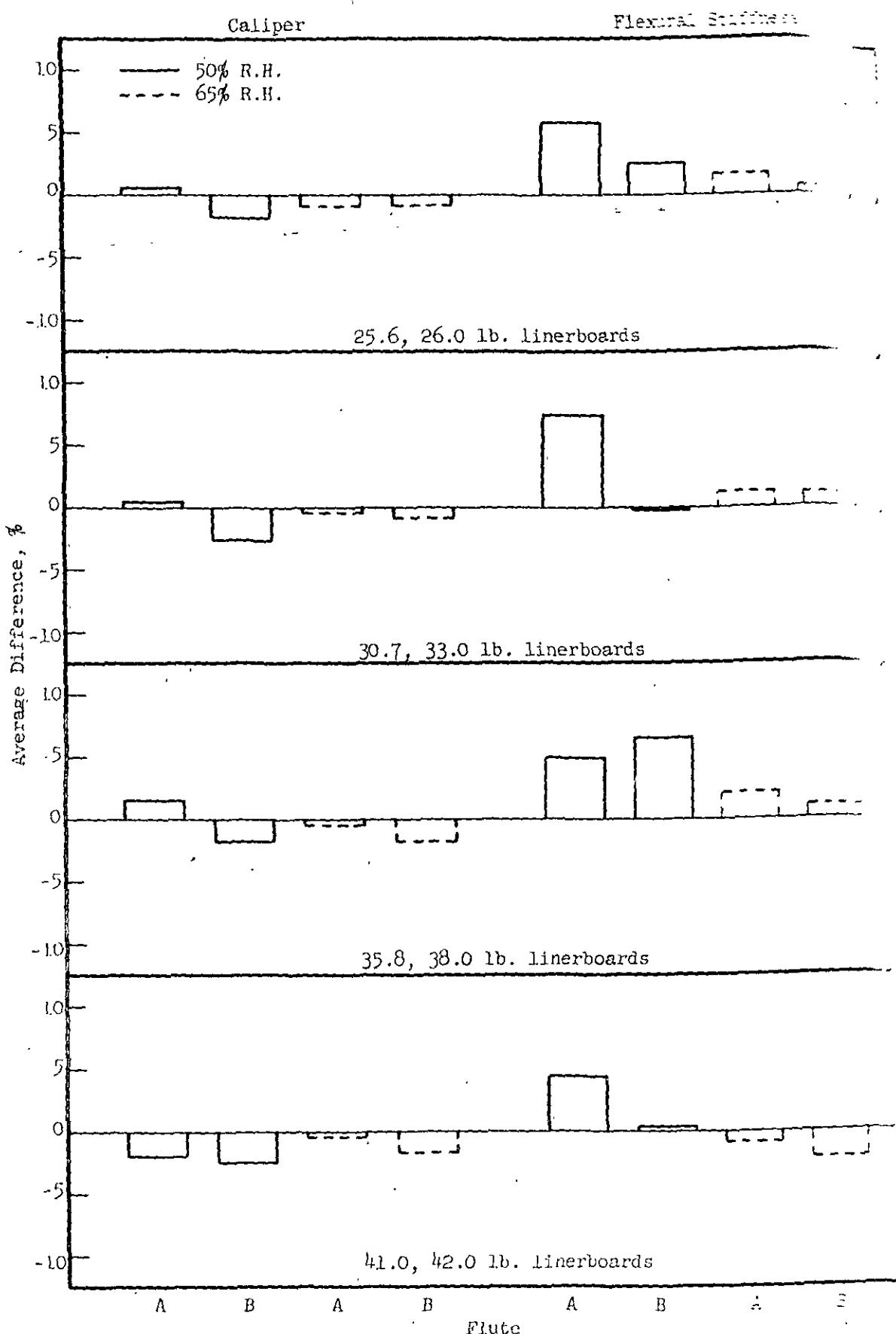


Figure 48. Comparison of the Effect of Type of Medium (26-Lb. U.S. as Reference vs. 23-Lb. European) on Average Difference in $\sqrt{6 D_{\text{eff}}}$ of Combined Percent.

From a comparison of the edgewise compression results tabulated in Tables LV and LVI for 50 and 65% R.H., respectively, it may be noted that in general the combined boards fabricated with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium have higher machine-direction edgewise compression strength but lower cross-machine edgewise compression strength than the corresponding combined boards made with 23.0-lb. European medium. As pointed out earlier, the machine direction edgewise compression is the most important combined board property insofar as end-load box compression is concerned. Cross-machine edgewise compression is of equal importance in top-load box compression. It may be recalled that in general the boxes made with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium gave better end-load compression but poorer top-load compression than boxes made with 23.0-lb. European medium. Hence, the edgewise compression strength results show trends, in relation to box compression, that would be anticipated. For the purpose of comparison, the composite average differences in edgewise compression results are given in the following tabulation and illustrated in Fig. 49.

U.S. Linerboard Nominal Weight, (lb./M sq. ft.)	Composite Average Difference In-Machine Direction Edgewise Compression, % ^a		Composite Average Difference in Cross-Machine Edgewise Compression, % ^a	
	A-Flute	B-Flute	A-Flute	B-Flute
50% R.H.				
26.0	-15.4	-5.3	+8.8	+5.3
33.0	-3.7	-6.9	+9.6	+2.0
38.0	-0.6	-2.2	+5.7	+3.7
42.0	+6.5	-6.9	+7.9	+6.6
65% R.H.				
26.0	-6.8	-2.1	+6.9	+3.6
33.0	-3.8	-8.9	+5.7	+8.1
38.0	-9.0	-6.4	+7.0	+5.5
42.0	-4.0	-4.1	+6.1	+5.5

^aCombined board made with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium used as reference.

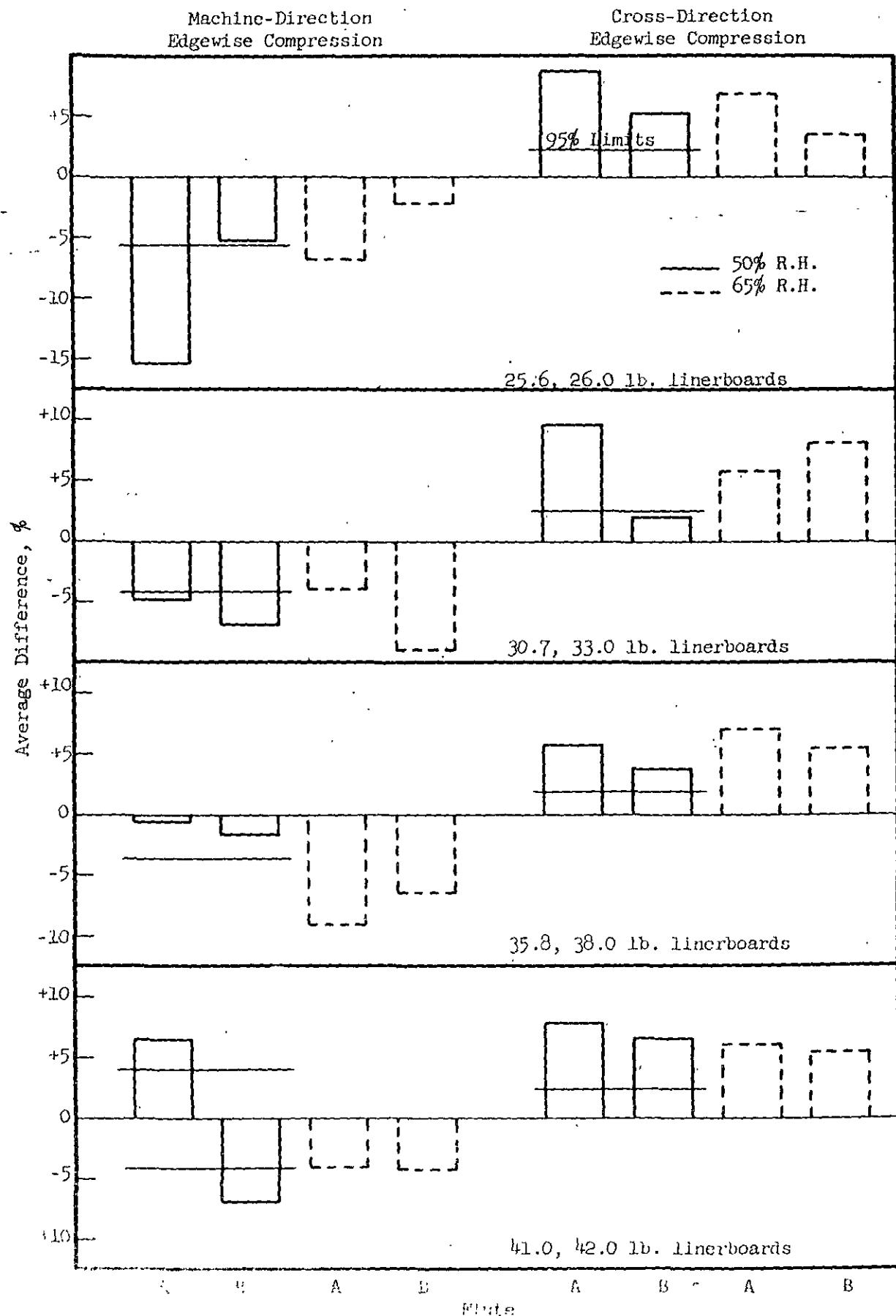


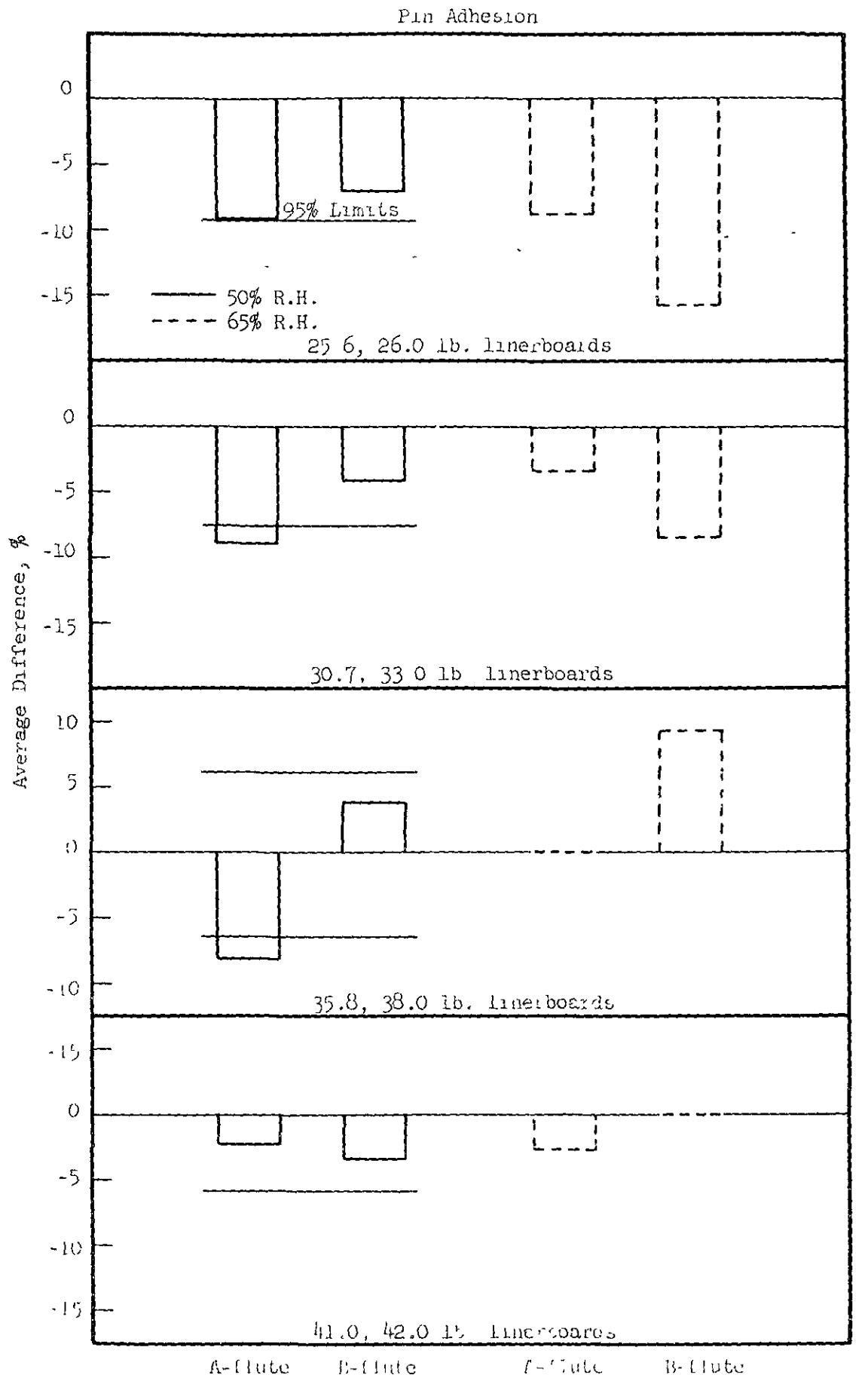
Figure 40. Comparison of the Effect of Type of Linerboard (23-lb. G.S. vs. Reference vs. 23-lb. European) on Average Difference in Weight, Comparing Test Compressions.

It may be noted from the pin adhesion results tabulated in Table LVII and illustrated in Fig. 50 that, in general, the pin adhesion results are higher for the combined boards made with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium.

It may be recalled that the U.S. linerboards were also fabricated with a sample of 26.0-lb. European medium as well as 23.0-lb. European and 26.0-lb. U.S. medium into A-flute combined board and boxes. The combined board results are tabulated in Table LVIII and LIX for 50 and 65% R.H., respectively. As would be expected, the average weight of the combined boards fabricated with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium is not significantly different from that of the corresponding boards made with 26.0-lb. European medium but averages approximately 4% higher than that of the combined boards fabricated with 23.0-lb. European medium. The composite average differences are given in the following tabulation:

Test Property	Composite Average Differences ^a , %			
	23.0-lb. European Medium 50% R.H.	23.0-lb. European Medium 65% R.H.	26.0-lb. European Medium 50% R.H.	26.0-lb. European Medium 65% R.H.
Basis weight	-4.3	-4.2	0.0	0.0
Caliper	-1.0	-1.5	+1.0	0.0
Bursting strength	+6.8	+4.4	0.0	+0.9
Puncture	-5.7	-5.8	+2.4	+1.0
Flat crush	-9.5	-8.6	+1.1	+7.7
Flexural stiffness ($\sqrt{\frac{D_x}{D_y}}$)	+3.6	+1.0	+8.5	+0.4
Edgewise compression, MD	-4.3	-7.7	+12.2	+4.4
Edgewise compression, CD	+5.9	+6.2	+8.2	+5.3
Torsion tear, av. MD and CD	-10.4	-8.8	-5.2	-4.0
Torsion tear, scoreline	-13.4	-11.5	-8.8	-10.5
Pin adhesion	-7.3	-2.9	-2.5	+8.8

^aCombined board made with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium used as reference.



1. *Pin adhesion* compared 1960 OFI test to 1970 OFI test for 25.6 lb. flutes (26-lb. B.S.)

In general, the average bursting strength results on the combined boards made with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium are not significantly different from the corresponding results on the combined boards made with 26.0-lb European medium. On the other hand, the combined boards made with 23 0-lb European medium give higher average bursting strength results than the corresponding boards made with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium, the average differences being about 7 and 14% at 50 and 65% R.H., respectively. It is believed that the difference in bursting strength is associated with the lower flat crush of the boards made with 23 0-lb. European medium.

When the puncture results are considered, it may be observed that at both 50 and 65% R.H. the combined boards made with 26.0-lb U.S. medium exhibit higher puncture strength than the corresponding combined boards made with 23 0-lb European medium. On the other hand, at both 50 and 65% R.H., the boards made with 26 0-lb. U.S. medium exhibit approximately the same puncture strength as the corresponding boards fabricated with 26 0-lb European medium. The trends noted above are believed to be associated with differences in flat crush and weight.

As may be seen in Tables LVIII and LX, the combined boards made with 26 0-lb. U.S. medium have slightly lower flat crush strength than the corresponding boards made with 26 0-lb European but higher flat crush than the combined boards made with 23 0-lb. European medium.

The flexural stiffness expressed as the geometric mean for the combined board made with 26-lb U.S. medium is lower at 50% R.H. for the combined board made with 26-lb U.S. medium than for the corresponding samples made with 23 0-lb. and 26 -lb. European medium, at 65% R.H., however, the differences are not considered significant. It may be recalled that flexural stiffness is one of the basic properties of the combined board which governs box compression

The average machine-direction edgewise compression strength for the combined boards made with 26 0-lb. U.S. medium are higher (4 to 8%) than the corresponding results for the combined boards made with 23.0-lb European medium but lower (4 to 12%) than those for the combined boards made with 26 0-lb European medium. As noted earlier, machine-direction edgewise compression is important because it has been found to be the major combined board property governing end-load box compression. In this connection it may be recalled that the boxes made with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium gave higher end-load compression than the corresponding boxes made with 23.0-lb. European medium but lower end-load compression than the corresponding boxes fabricated with 26.0-lb. European medium. As noted earlier, cross-machine edgewise compression is important because it has been found to be the major combined board property governing top-load compression. It may be noted that the cross-machine edgewise compression results for combined boards made with 26 0-lb. U.S. medium are lower than the corresponding results for boards made with 23 0-lb European medium and also for the boards made with 26 0-lb European medium. It may be recalled that the top-load box compression results show a similar trend.

The torsion tear results on the combined boards made with 26.0-lb U.S. medium are higher than the corresponding results on the boards made with either the 23.0 or 26 0-lb. European medium. The results for the 26 0-lb. European medium in turn were higher than those for the 23.0-lb European medium. It may be recalled that the same general trend was observed for the rough handling box performance. These trends indicate that since the same linerboards were involved it would appear that the U.S. medium has higher tearing strength and more characteristics than the European mediums. As will be shown later, this is the case. The European mediums are made primarily from birch in contrast to the U.S. medium used herein which was made primarily from gum. The longer fiber

length of the U.S. medium probably accounts for the difference in rough handling performance of the boxes.

The comparative performance of combined boards fabricated with 26.0 and 23.0-lb. European medium and 26.0-lb. U.S. medium may be summarized as follows:

1. There is no significant difference in bursting and puncture strength between boards made with 26-lb. U.S. and 26-lb. European mediums. On the other hand, the combined boards made with 23.0-lb. European medium exhibit 4-7% higher bursting strength and 5-6% lower puncture than the corresponding combined boards made with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium.
2. Flat crush results on combined boards made with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium are slightly lower than the corresponding results for combined boards made with 26.0-lb. European medium but 8-9% higher than the results for the corresponding combined boards made with 23.0-lb. European medium.
3. Flexural stiffness of the combined boards made with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium is lower than that of the corresponding combined boards made with 23.0 and 26.0-lb. European mediums. It is doubtful whether the observed differences are significant in more than a few instances, however.
4. The machine and cross-machine edgewise compression results for the combined boards made with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium are lower (machine direction 4-12%, cross-machine direction 5-8%) than the results for the corresponding samples made with 26.0-lb. European medium. The cross-machine direction results for the combined board fabricated with 23.0-lb. European medium are 5-6% higher, and the machine direction results 4-8% lower, than the results for the combined board made with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium.

5. The combined boards made with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium are higher in torsion tear - average and scoreline - than the corresponding samples made with either 23.0 or 26.0-lb. European mediums.

6. In general, combined board made with 26.0-lb. European medium gives results comparable to combined board made with similar weight U.S. medium except for possibly flat crush and edgewise compression strength which are slightly higher and torsion tear strength which is slightly lower.

C. Comparison of Physical Properties of U.S. and European Corrugating Mediums

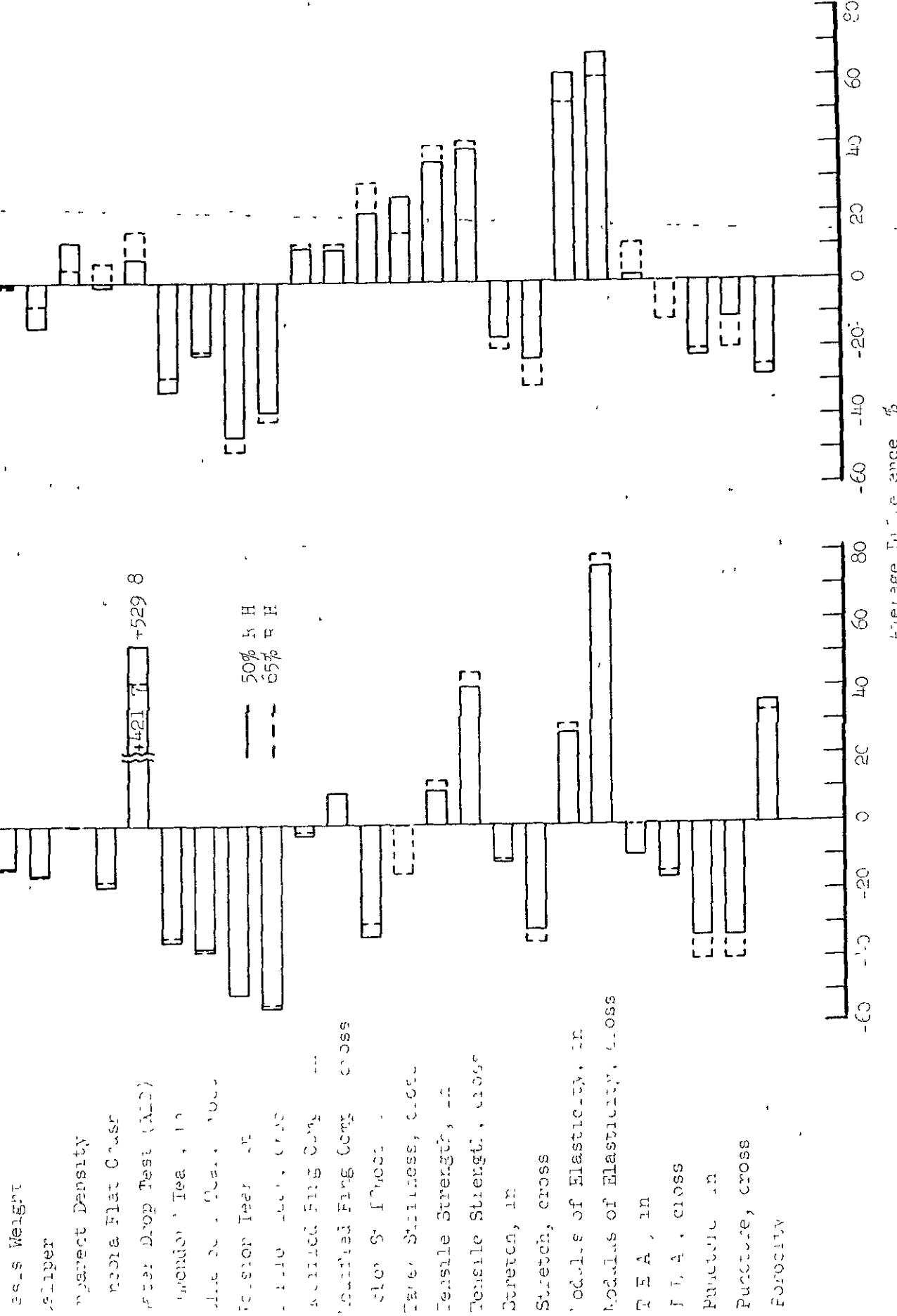
During the fabrication of the fifty-two different combinations, samples of the corrugating medium were taken at the "start" and "end" of each set of "runs" involving a given type of medium. The samples taken at the "start" and "end" were evaluated separately for each series of runs and then averaged to characterize the respective materials. The results obtained for the various runs are tabulated in Tables LX and LXI, respectively, for 50 and 65% R.H. The per cent differences in physical properties are summarized in Tables LXII and LXIII, respectively, for 50 and 65% R.H., and illustrated in Fig. 51.

It may be noted that the respective mediums were only slightly higher in basis weight than their nominal grade weights. Although the U.S. medium is higher in basis weight, the caliper of the 23.0-lb. European medium is correspondingly lower; thus, the apparent densities are approximately equivalent. In contrast, the caliper of the 26.0-lb. European medium is approximately 14% lower than that of the 26.0-lb. U.S. medium resulting in a higher density for the former.

When the Concora flat crush characteristics of the mediums are considered it may be seen that the U.S. medium exhibits a 16 to 17% higher flat

26-lb. European

25-lb. American



Average Difference, %

26-lb European - 25-lb American Properties

100 80 60 40 20 0 -20 -40 -60

TABLE IX
PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF EUROPEAN AND DOMESTIC CORRUGATING MEDIUMS USED IN FABRICATION AT 50% R.E.

R.M.S.	Plane	Roll No.	Weight, lb./m ²	Calliper, mm.	App. Density, pt.	Concave	Water Drop, sec.	Elongation Test, sec./sheet	Tensile Tear, in.-oz.	Modified Ring			Modulus of Elasticity, P.s.i. $\times 10^3$	Stretch, %	Puncture, unit in Cross Ar.	Porosity, sec./100 cc						
										In Cross	Avg.	Av. In Cross	Taber Abr., 1b./in. In Cross	Stiffness, E-in. In Cross	Tensile, 1b./in. In Cross							
1, 2, 5	A	21	23.4	9.0	2.6	32.6	279+	62	70	12	12	17.1	14.2	11	8	56.4	27.4	1.6 1.6	44.7 388	.52 .30	5 5	
3, 12	A	21	23.7	9.1	2.6	33.5	600+	64	79	12	12	17.3	14.6	11	8	53.0	27.6	1.6 1.7	44.0 360	.52 .32	6 6	
3, 13, 16, 21, 24	A	21	23.5	9.0	2.6	33.5	600+	66	78	12	12	17.4	14.8	10	10	52.2	27.0	1.6 1.7	43.8 377	.52 .32	6 6	
Av.	A	21	23.9	9.0	2.6	33.4	600+	64	75	12	12	17.7	14.4	10	9	51.4	27.2	1.6 1.7	44.6 390	.52 .32	6 6	
1, 4, 5	B	20	23.2	9.0	2.6	31.6	600+	64	77	12	12	18.0	14.2	10	9	52.0	28.0	1.6 1.8	44.4 386	.56 .36	6 6	
3, 9, 12	B	20	22.6	8.6	2.6	30.6	600+	66	78	12	12	17.5	14.4	10	9	52.2	27.4	1.6 1.7	44.3 384	.54 .32	6 6	
12, 15, 17	B	20	22.4	8.7	2.6	30.2	600+	62	74	12	12	16.7	13.6	11	7	49.8	26.3	1.6 1.8	42.7 360	.50 .32	6 6	
42R, 21, 24	Av.	20	22.6	8.5	2.6	30.1	600+	59	70	12	12	16.5	13.4	10	6	50.9	25.3	1.6 1.7	42.6 365	.52 .32	5 5	
Grand av.	B	23.7	8.3	2.6	30.7	512+	62	72	67	12	12	17.1	13.6	10	6	52.0	25.8	1.6 1.8	43.3 367	.52 .32	6 6	
23.2	B	8.9	2.6	32.2	507+	62	74	68	12	12	16.6	13.8	10	6	52.4	26.1	1.6 1.8	43.4 356	.52 .34	5 5		
3, 5	A	41	26.4	10.5	2.5	39.4	100	96	120	108	21	26	17.4	13.0	14	8	46.8	18.6	1.8 2.5	42.7 362	.53 .32	6 6
6, 7	A	41	26.5	10.4	2.5	39.8	87	96	118	108	23	26	17.4	13.2	14	7	47.4	19.0	1.8 2.5	40.2 207	.56 .34	9 9
10, 11	A	41	26.5	10.4	2.6	39.5	90	117	103	24	26	17.8	13.2	14	8	47.9	19.2	1.8 2.5	40.8 213	.58 .39	9 9	
11, 15, 19, 22, 23	A	41	26.4	10.4	2.6	39.0	92	119	108	24	25	17.9	12.6	14	9	46.8	19.2	1.8 2.7	40.6 215	.60 .41	9 9	
Av.	A	26.4	10.4	2.6	39.8	93	94	121	108	23	25	17.7	12.6	15	8	45.5	19.0	1.8 2.8	42.9 218	.58 .40	10 10	
2, 3, 6, 7	B	40	26.5	10.5	2.5	38.6	108	96	118	107	24	26	17.2	12.9	14	8	46.9	19.0	1.8 2.7	50.2 215	.56 .42	9 10
10, 11	B	40	26.5	10.5	2.5	38.6	108	96	122	108	24	26	17.2	12.2	16	7	47.3	18.5	1.8 2.4	50.6 206	.58 .39	9 9
11, 15, 18, 19	B	40	26.1	10.4	2.5	39.3	94	92	120	107	24	26	17.5	12.6	16	7	46.1	18.8	1.8 2.5	48.8 208	.55 .36	9 9
22, 23	B	40	26.6	10.2	2.5	39.2	92	93	120	106	25	26	18.2	12.8	16	7	45.4	19.2	1.8 2.7	49.0 210	.58 .39	9 9
Grand av.	B	26.5	10.1	2.5	38.8	94	94	120	107	24	26	17.6	12.6	16	7	45.6	18.9	1.8 2.6	49.8 215	.57 .42	9 9	
26.4	B	10.4	2.6	39.2	94	96	120	108	24	26	17.6	12.8	15	8	46.9	19.0	1.8 2.5	50.0 222	.58 .38	9 9		
24A, B, C, D	A	26.3	9.0	2.9	38.6	100	65	94	60	13	15	14	19.3	14.0	18	10	63.4	26.4	1.5 2.0	80.4 355	.59 .38	7 8
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TABLE LXI
PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF EUROPEAN AND DOMESTIC CORRUGATING MEDIUMS USED IN FABRICATION AT 65% R.H.

TABLE LXI (Continued)
PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF EUROPEAN AND DOMESTIC CORRUGATING MEDIUMS USED IN FABRICATION AT 65% R.H.

Flute	Flute	Roll No.	Tensile, lb./in. In Cross	Stretch, % In Cross	Modulus of Elasticity, P.s.i. $\times 10^3$ In Cross			T.E.A., in.-lb./sq. in. In Cross	Puncture, units In Cross Av.	Porosity, sec./100 cc.	
					23-lb. European Medium	23-lb. European Medium	23-lb. US Medium				
4, 5 9, 12 , 16, 17 R, 21, 24 and Av.	A A A A B	21 21 21 21 20	50.4 50.4 50.1 48.8 49.6	25.4 25.6 25.6 25.7 26.0	1.8 1.8 1.8 1.8 1.8	1.9 2.0 2.0 2.0 2.0	640 642 618 572 586	371 369 352 338 349	0.58 0.57 0.57 0.56 0.58	0.34 0.35 0.37 0.37 0.38	6 6 6 6 6
4, 5 9, 12 , 16, 17 R, 21, 24 and Av.	B B B B	20 20 20 20	46.8 47.8 48.4 49.5	24.6 24.4 24.5 25.0	1.6 1.7 1.8 1.8	2.1 2.2 2.2 2.3	588 597 602 591	320 322 330 330	0.50 0.54 0.56 0.59	0.36 0.38 0.39 0.41	6 6 6 6
4, 5 9, 12 , 16, 17 R, 21, 24 and Av.	A A A A A	41 41 41 41 41	43.0 42.8 44.1 43.0 42.4	17.2 17.2 17.5 17.4 17.4	1.8 1.8 2.0 1.9 1.9	3.0 3.0 3.1 3.1 3.2	467 473 470 456 464	189 191 190 186 192	0.54 0.54 0.57 0.54 0.53	0.40 0.40 0.42 0.42 0.44	10 10 10 10 10
4, 5 9, 12 , 16, 17 R, 21, 24 and Av.	A A A A A	41 41 41 41 41	43.1 42.1 43.1 43.1 43.1	17.3 17.4 17.3 17.3 17.3	1.9 1.9 1.9 1.9 1.9	3.2 3.2 3.1 3.1 3.2	466 466 466 466 465	190 190 190 190 190	0.54 0.54 0.54 0.54 0.56	0.42 0.42 0.42 0.42 0.43	10 10 10 10 10
5, 7 1, 18, 19	B B B	40 40 40	43.4 43.6 43.4	17.6 17.5 17.8	1.9 2.0 2.0	3.2 3.0 3.2	458 464 468	184 193 196	0.54 0.58 0.58	0.43 0.41 0.45	10 10 10
5, 7 1, 18, 19	A A B	60.6 60.6 40	24.6 24.6 43.6	1.6 2.2 17.7	2.0 2.0 2.0	3.2 3.4 3.2	708 708 464	304 304 190	0.62 0.62 0.57	0.38 0.38 0.47	8 8 10
5, 7 1, 18, 19	D D	60.6	24.6	1.6	2.2	3.2	465	190	0.56	0.44	10
5, 7 1, 18, 19	D D	60.6	24.6	1.6	2.2	3.2	708	304	0.62	0.38	8
5, 7 1, 18, 19	D D	60.6	24.6	1.6	2.2	3.2	708	304	0.62	0.38	18

TABLE LXII
COMPARISON OF PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF EUROPEAN AND DOMESTIC CORRUGATING MEDIUMS AT 50% R.H.

Test Property ^b	Property ^b	26 lb.			23 lb.			26 lb.			26 lb.			26 lb.		
		US Medium	European Medium	Diff., %	US Medium	European Medium	Diff., %	US Medium	European Medium	Diff., %	US Medium	European Medium	Diff., %	Unit Weight Basis		
Basis weight, lb./M sq.ft.	In	26.4	23.2	-12.1	26.3	26.0	-0.4	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Caliper, pt.	In	10.4	8.9	-14.4	9.0	9.0	-13.5	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Apparent density	Cross	2.6	2.6	0.0	2.9	2.9	+11.5	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Concord flat crush, p.s.i.	Cross	39.2	32.2	-17.9	38.6	38.6	-1.5	1.48	1.39	-6.1	1.47	1.47	-0.7	--	--	--
Water drop, sec.	Cross	94	592+	+529.8	100	100	+6.4	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Elmendorf tear, g./sheet	In	96	63	-34.4	65	65	-32.3	3.64	2.72	-25.3	2.47	2.47	-32.1	--	--	--
	Cross	120	76	-36.7	94	21.7	-25.9	4.55	3.28	-27.9	3.57	3.57	-21.5	--	--	--
	Av.	108	69	-36.1	80	-25.9	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Torsion tear, in.-oz.	In	24	12	-50.0	13	45.8	0.91	0.52	-42.9	0.49	0.49	0.49	-46.2	--	--	--
	Cross	26	12	-53.8	16	-38.5	0.98	0.52	-46.9	0.61	0.61	0.61	-37.8	--	--	--
	Av.	26	12	-53.8	14	-46.2	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Modified ring compression, lb./in.	In	17.6	17.1	-2.8	19.3	19.7	0.67	0.74	+10.4	0.73	0.73	0.73	+9.0	--	--	--
	Cross	12.8	14.0	+9.4	14.0	+9.4	+9.4	0.48	0.60	+25.0	0.53	0.53	+10.4	--	--	--
Taber stiffness, g.-cm.	In	15	10	-33.3	18	+20.0	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Cross	8	8	0.0	10	+25.0	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Tensile, lb./in.	In	46.8	51.5	+10.0	63.4	+35.5	1.77	2.22	+25.4	2.41	2.41	2.41	+36.2	--	--	--
	Cross	19.0	26.7	+40.5	26.4	+38.9	0.72	1.15	+59.7	1.00	1.00	1.00	+38.9	--	--	--
Stretch, %	In	1.8	1.6	-11.1	1.5	-16.7	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Cross	2.6	1.8	-30.3	2.0	-23.1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Modulus of elasticity, p.s.i. $\times 10^3$	In	500	635	+27.0	804	804	+60.8	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Cross	212	373	+75.9	355	355	+67.5	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
TEA, in.lb./sq.in.	In	58	.53	-8.6	.59	.59	+1.7	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Cross	.38	.32	-15.8	.38	.38	0.0	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Puncture, unit	In	9	6	-33.3	7	-22.2	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Cross	9	6	-33.3	8	-11.1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Porosity, sec./100 cc.		25	34	+36.0	18	-28.0	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

^aBased on U.S. medium results as reference.
^bAverage of A and B-flute results for all runs.

TABLE LXIII
COMPARISON OF PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF EUROPEAN AND DOMESTIC CORRUGATING MEDIUMS AT 65% R.H.

Test Property ^b	26 lb. U.S. Medium			25 lb. Bur. Diff., Medium			26 lb. U.S. Medium			25 lb. Bur. Diff., Medium			26 lb. U.S. Medium		
	In.	Cross	Avg.	In.	Cross	Avg.	In.	Cross	Avg.	In.	Cross	Avg.	In.	Cross	Avg.
Basis weight, lb./M ² sq. ft.	26.8	23.5	-12.3	26.4	-1.5	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Caliper, pt.	10.5	9.0	-14.3	9.8	-6.7	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Apparent density	2.6	2.6	0.0	2.7	+5.6	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Concord flat crush, P.S.I.	31.6	26.1	-16.5	33.3	+5.4	1.18	1.12	-5.1	1.26	+6.8	+16.6	+16.6	+16.6	+16.6	+16.6
Water drop, sec.	115	600+	+21.7	132	+14.8	4.29	25.53	+49.1	5.00	+16.8	+16.8	+16.8	+16.8	+16.8	+16.8
Elmendorff tear, g./sheet															
In.	111	74	-33.3	80	-27.9	4.14	3.15	-23.9	3.03	-26.8	-26.8	-26.8	-26.8	-26.8	-26.8
Cross	137	86	-37.2	109	-20.4	5.11	3.66	-28.4	4.15	-19.2	-19.2	-19.2	-19.2	-19.2	-19.2
Av.	121	80	-35.5	94	-24.2										
Tension tear, in.-oz.															
In.	32	16	-50.0	16	-50.0	1.19	0.68	-42.9	0.61	-48.7	-48.7	-48.7	-48.7	-48.7	-48.7
Cross	34	16	-52.9	20	-51.2	1.27	0.63	-46.5	0.76	-40.2	-40.2	-40.2	-40.2	-40.2	-40.2
Av.	34	16	-52.9	18	-47.1										
Mod. ring compression, lb./in.															
In.	16.5	16.2	-1.8	18.3	+10.9	0.62	0.69	+11.3	0.69	+11.3	+11.3	+11.3	+11.3	+11.3	+11.3
Cross	21.7	12.8	+9.4	13.0	+11.1	0.44	0.54	+22.7	0.49	+22.7	+22.7	+22.7	+22.7	+22.7	+22.7
Taber stiffness, g/cm.															
In.	14	10	-28.6	18	+28.6	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Cross	7	6	-14.3	8	+14.3										
Tensile, lb./in.															
In.	43.3	49.0	+13.2	60.6	+10.0	1.62	2.09	+29.0	2.30	+42.0	+42.0	+42.0	+42.0	+42.0	+42.0
Cross	27.4	25.2	+44.8	24.6	+11.4	0.65	1.07	+64.6	0.93	+43.1	+43.1	+43.1	+43.1	+43.1	+43.1
Stretch, %															
In.	2.0	1.8	-10.0	1.6	-20.0										
Cross	3.2	2.1	-34.4	2.2	-21.2										
Mod. of elasticity, p.s.i. $\times 10^3$															
In.	465	603	+29.7	708	+52.3										
Cross	190	341	+79.5	304	+60.0										
T.E.A., in.-lb./sq. in.															
In.	0.56	0.56	0.0	0.62	+10.7										
Cross	0.43	0.37	-14.0	0.38	-21.6										
Puncture, unit															
In.	10	6	-40.0	8	-20.0										
Cross	10	6	-40.0	8	-20.0										
Porosity, sec./100 cc.	24	32	+33.3	18	-25.0										

^aBased on US medium results as reference.
^bAverage of A- and B-flute results.

crush than the 23 0-lb European medium; however, on a flat crush per unit weight basis, the difference is only 5 to 6% because of the lower basis weight of the 23.0-lb. European medium. The U.S. and European 26.0-lb. mediums are approximately equal in Concora flat crush on both an actual and unit weight basis. On the basis of the Concora flat crush results it would be anticipated that the combined board made with U.S. medium would give flat crush results higher than combined board made with 23 0-lb. European medium but approximately the same as the 26.0-lb European medium. As may be recalled, this was generally the case.

One of the salient features of corrugated board as a packaging material is its high strength-to-weight ratio made possible by its fluted structure. The mechanical properties of a fluted or cellular structure such as corrugated board are dependent on good bonding of the component parts. Because of the severe time limitations encountered in the corrugating operation, the medium-adhesive interaction is important in corrugating. The water drop test is used extensively as a measure of the potential bonding behavior of corrugating medium, although the test leaves much to be desired by way of measuring properties of medium which govern bonding. Water absorption, as measured by the water drop test, is the time required for a measured quantity of water, applied to the surface under specified conditions, to be absorbed by the medium. The longer the time interval, the greater is the resistance to absorption.

It may be seen that the water drop "number" for U.S. medium is about fourfold lower than for 23 0-lb European medium, but only slightly lower than for 26.0-lb European medium. The results indicate that the 23 0-lb European medium probably will be more difficult to bond, especially at high speeds, than the U.S. medium. As was pointed out earlier, lower adhesion strength was obtained on the combined board made with 23 0-lb European medium than was obtained on

same corrugating speed on the combined board made with 26.0-lb. U.S. medium. A higher water drop is believed to be responsible although the European mediums also exhibited wide variations in moisture which may have contributed to the poorer bonding.

When the strength properties are compared, it may be observed that the U.S. medium is higher in Elmendorf tearing strength, stretch, puncture, and torsion tear than the European mediums, the differences being greater for the 23.0-lb. European medium than for the 26.0-lb. European medium. These properties, along with T.E.A., are generally considered to be properties of the medium which are involved in rough handling performance; thus, it would be anticipated that the U.S. medium would be a better medium from the standpoint of rough handling. It may be recalled that the boxes made with U.S. medium did give markedly better rough handling performance. Also, the T.E.A., energy absorption, is generally higher for the U.S. medium than the European mediums.

The modified ring compression, tensile, and modulus of elasticity results are generally lower for the U.S. medium than for the European mediums. These test properties are generally associated with compression performance; thus, the European mediums exhibit more favorable compression properties. The U.S. medium, however, exhibits Taber stiffness higher than the 23.0-lb. European medium but lower than the 26.0-lb. European medium. This is related to box compression but is of secondary importance, in this regard, to tests such as the modified ring compression test.

The porosity results for the U.S. medium are about the same as those for the 26.0-lb. European medium but are lower than those for the 23.0-lb. European medium. This may be another reason for the poorer adhesion of the 23.0-lb. European medium in view of the fact that the lower the porosity test results, the more porous the sheet.

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