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انتاج خيوط ممشطة على ماكينة غزل الطرف المفتوح بنمر مختلفة حتى ٤٤ مترى

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**ملخص البحث:** اظهرت الاتجاهات الحديثة فى مجال تصنيع ماكينات الغزل وتطويرها فى امكانية ادخال عملية التمشيط وتحضيراتها مع نظام الغزل ذات الطرف المفتوح المتطورة الانتاج بنمر خيوط حتى ٨٠ مترى تحقيق الاستفادة من خامات رخيصة وزيادة كفاءة التشغيل ورفع سعر الكيلوجرام من الخيط المنتج مع تحقيق جودة عالية للخيوط. الدراسة فى هذا البحث تتركز فى انتاج خيوط غزل الطرف المفتوح الممشطة على ماكينات الغزل المفتوح التقليدية وبنمر مختلفة حتى ٤٤ مترى. وقد تم استخدام التجارب المتعددة العوامل لبحث تأثير بعض المتغيرات ( ثلاث عوامل ) وهى "نمرة الخيط / معامل اس البرم / نوع الشريط المغذى مصرح وممشط". وكذلك "نسبة التمشيط / نمرة الخيط / معامل اس البرم". وايضا استخدمت تجارب بتغير عاملين عند ثلاث مستويات بطريقة " بوكس وبينكان". وقد أمكن الحصول على اسطح الاستجابة التى يمثل العلاقة بين نسب التمشيط ونمر الخيط وجودة الخيوط المنتجة. وقد تم اجراء التحليل الاحصائى "تحليل التباين والتدخل بينها

وتشير نتائج البحث الى تحقيق مائة عالية للخيوط الممشطة بزيادة حوالى ١٢٪ عن الخيوط المسرحة والمنتجة من نفس الخامة على ماكينة الغزل ذات الطرف المفتوح - تحسن الاستطالة ودرجة الانتظام للخيوط, زيادة فى رقم جودة الخيوط, ثقل درجة تشعير الخيوط الناتجة وتحقيق نسبة أقل من القطوع لكل ١٠٠٠ روتور ساعة.

**Abstract:** In the present study, the work was carried out on an Egyptian Textile Factory and comprehensive programme of studies was constructed, in which the quality of combed rotor-yarn in the medium count range was examined as a function of various parameters: type of sliver, combing %, twist multiplier and yarn linear density. The experimental design technique ( 6,7 ) with the help of mini-computer programming used in this work to investigate the optimum condition. The results indicate that a new finding such as: higher yarn strength with the same cotton fiber ( Giza 75 ), improvement in yarn elongation and Uster C.V %, better yarn quality index, less hairiness and ends down.

## 1. Introduction

During the last 15 years, rotor spinning has undergone a head long technical and technological advance in terms of: its productivity, the level of automation, using efficient package removal systems, higher rotor speeds with ever smaller rotor. all these modification opening the way for the penetration of rotor spinning into the range of fine yarn counts.

Recently, several machinery makers ( 1,2 ) succeeded in presenting a new technology aimed at producing fine yarns economically with high quality. Also

several attempts using combed sliver to improve the yarn quality and spinnability (3,4,5)

Because of the trend goes to combed rotor yarns with higher rotor speed and improve technological elements, there are two facts to be considered :

-Carded rotor yarns are successful in the range between metric 40 and 60, if the raw material is selected in accordance with the exacting yarn standards (1).

-The combing technology has to enable the production of high quality yarn without the need of aspecially selected and expensive raw material by (2) :

\*reducing short fiber content and fine immature fibers this results in an overall micronair increase from 0.1 to 0.2 points.

\*removing impurities , this results in clear sliver and less trash deposited in the rotor groove.

\*parallelizing the fibers and producing an even sliver also, the increase of combing and preparation production reduces the total combing costs. So it becomes possible to replace carded yarn by combed yarn with a lower percentage of comber noil.

Thus, the present work is intended to study the production of rotor yarns from combed cotton in the medium count range. The experiments carried out to investigate the effect of yarn linear desity " or spinning draft ", twist multiplier, sliver preparation and combing % on the quality of combed rotor yarns.

The plan of experiments constructed by using multifactorial ( for three variables ) ( 6 ) and factorial design developed by box ( 7 ) ( for two variables ) and with the help of mini -computer programming.

In the next work , the investigation on the area of combing system in rotor spinning technology will be continiues to study the production of fine combed open-end yarns using different rotor speeds and rotor diameters.

## 2. Experimental work

### 2.1 Statistical design of experiments

Two experimental plans were designed to investigate the quality of combed rotor yarns .

i) The first : the technique of factorial design will be considered is a multi factorial experiment. The general method of analysis is drawn from the previous literature ( 6 ) of experimental design.

ii) The second : varying two variables using Box and Behnkan technique ( 7 ) for the comber noils and yarn count. The variables are selected at three levels namely ( -1), ( 0 ), (+1 ). The response " Y " is given by a second order polynomial



i.e 
$$Y = b_0 + \sum_{i=1}^k b_i x_i + \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^k b_{ij} x_i x_j$$

where  $x_i$  :  $i$ th variable,  $k$  : number of variables,  $b_0$ ,  $b_i$  and  $b_{ij}$  : regression associated with the variables.

## 2.2 Construction details of experiments :

i) In the case of three variables:

- In the first experiments three variables considered to be affecting rotor yarn quality as follows : X1 is twist multiplier ( $a_e$ ) , X2 is yarn count ( Ne ) and X3 is sliver preparation ( i.e carding and combing phase ) and composed of 12 separate sampling of output ( i.e 2 x 3 x 2 ) as shown in table ( 1 )

- In the experiments 18 samples (2 x 3 x 3) and the variables considered to be affecting the quality are : X1 is twist multiplier , X2 is yarn count and X4 is combing noils ( % ) as given in table ( 2 )

Table ( 1 ) 2 x3 x 2 Factorial Experiments

		X 3: Sliver Preparation					
X1		carding phase			combing phase		
twist multiplier		X 2 : yarn count ( Ne )			X 2 yarn count ( Ne )		
αe		14	20	26	14	20	26
3.8		x	x	x	x	x	x
4.3		x	x	x	x	x	x

Table ( 2 ) 2 x 3x 3 Factorial Experiments

		X 4 : Combing Noil								
X 1 twist multiplier	$\alpha e$	10 %			15 %			20 %		
		X 2 : yarn count			X 2 : yarn count			X 2 : yarn count		
		14	20	26	14	20	26	14	20	26
3.8		x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
4.3		x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x

ii ) In the case of two variables (  $K = 2$  ) the experimental plan is given in table ( 3 ) and the effect of the first and second order were determined by carrying out a  $3^2$  factorial experiments. Also, actual levels corresponding the coded variables is shown in table ( 4 ). The variables considered to effecting the rotor yarn quality are  $X_2$  : yarn count ( Ne ) and  $X_4$  : combing noils ( % ).

Table ( 3 ) Experimental plan for two variables

Exp.	Levels of variabl		Responce
No.	X 1	X 2	Yi
1	-1	-1	y1
2	0	-1	y2
3	+1	-1	.
4	-1	0	.
5	0	0	.
6	+1	0	.
7	-1	+1	.
8	0	+1	.
9	+1	+1	y9

Table ( 4 ) Actual levels corresponding to coded variables

Factors	Levels		
	-1	0	+1
X2 : yarn count ( Ne )	14	20	26
X4 : combing%	10	15	20

### 2.3 Material used :

The experiments were carried out using Egypton cotton fiber ( Giza 75 ) and its proberities are given in table ( 5 ).

### 2.4 Yarn production :

Cotton fibres were processed through the blowroom and carded at Crosrol m/c. Carded sliver was fed "Howa" combing preparation and comber m/c and Platt drawing as shown in fig. ( 1 ). Rotor yarns of different counts were spun from carded and combed sliver with different twist multipliers,also the combing %

selected at three levels 10% , 15% and 20% . The ' Schlafhorst ' rotor spinning m/c was set up to run at 41500 r.p.m, and combing roller speed was optimized at 7300 r.p.m and delivery speed 68 m/min .

Table ( 5 ) cotton fiber properties

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( i ) <u>Fiber Length</u> : ( using digital fibrograph )	
mean length = 29 mm, S.L 2.5% = 30.5, SL at 50% = 16.2 mm	
( ii ) <u>Fiber Strength</u> : ( Pressely tester ) :	
Pressely index : 10.1 lb/mg	
( iii ) <u>Fiber Fineness</u> : ( Shiffeld micronaire )	
micronaire reading : 4.5 ug/inch	
maturity : 87%	

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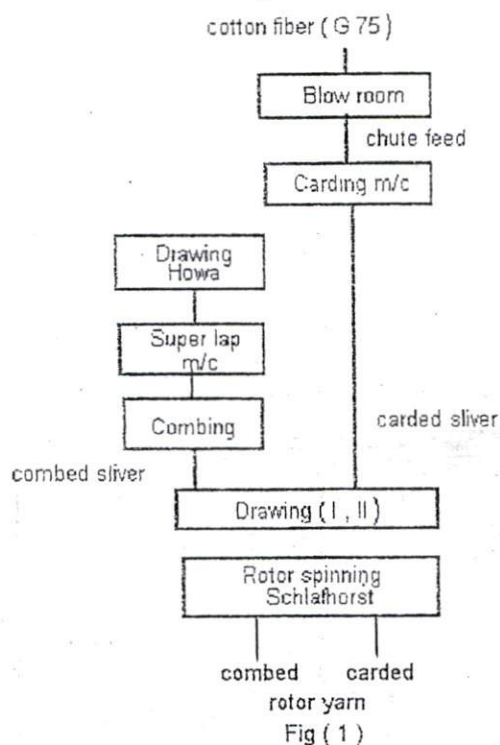


Fig ( 1 )

## 2.5 Measurements of yarn properties :

The Uster Evenness Tester type III was used, the rate of traverse of the yarn being 200 m/min and the integration time 1 min . Ten packages of yarn

Table ( 6 )  
The Two- Way Table For Each Pair Of Factors

( i ) yarn tenacity

$\alpha e \times Ne$				$\alpha e \times sp$			$Ne \times sp$						
Ne1	Ne2	Ne3	sum	sp1	sp2	sum	Ne1	Ne2	Ne3	sum			
$\alpha e1$	318.89	338.36	328.16	985.41	$\alpha e2$	468.49	516.92	985.4	sp1	306.2	315.48	286.67	908.55
$\alpha e2$	327.29	327.43	294.47	949.19	$\alpha e2$	440.06	509.13	949.19	sp2	339.98	350.31	335.76	1026.09
sum	646.18	665.79	622.63	1934.6	sum	908.55	1026.05	1934.6	sum	646.18	665.79	622.63	1934.6

( ii ) yarn elongation

$\alpha e \times Ne$					$\alpha e \times sp$			$Ne \times Sp$					
	Ne1	Ne2	Ne3	sum		sp1	sp2	sum		Ne1	Ne2	Ne3	sum
$\alpha e1$	123.18	133.32	122.03	378.53	$\alpha e1$	192	186.53	387.53	sp1	129.0	130.6	116.3	375.9
$\alpha e2$	129.11	124.66	110.62	264.39	$\alpha e2$	183.89	180.5	264.39	sp2	123.3	127.4	116.4	267.0
sum	252.29	257.98	232.65	742.92	sum	375.69	367.03	742.92	sum	252.3	257.9	232.7	742.9

(iii) yarn irregularity

$\alpha e \times Ne$				$\alpha e \times Sp$			$Ne \times Sp$						
Ne1	Ne2	Ne3	sum	sp1	sp2	sum	Ne1	Ne2	Ne3	sum			
$\alpha e1$	217.9	245.3	260.1	723.3	$\alpha e1$	359.8	363.5	723.3	sp1	221.4	253.8	269.8	744.9
$\alpha e2$	225.4	260.6	279.1	765.1	$\alpha e2$	385.2	379.9	765.1	sp2	221.9	252.1	269.4	743.4
sum	443.3	505.9	539.1	1488.4	sum	744.9	743.3	1488.4	sum	443.3	505.9	539.1	1488.4

(iv) yarn quality index

$\alpha e \times Ne$				$\alpha e \times Sp$			$Ne \times Sp$						
Ne1	Ne2	Ne3	sum	sp1	sp2	sum	Ne1	Ne2	Ne3	sum			
$\alpha e1$	184.82	178.65	137.8	501.27	$\alpha e1$	237.77	263.5	501.27	sp1	178.69	166.52	123.4	468.3
$\alpha e2$	183.73	165.4	130.53	479.66	$\alpha e2$	230.82	248.84	479.66	sp2	189.9	177.5	144.9	512.3
sum	368.55	344.05	268.33	980.93	sum	468.59	512.34	980.93	sum	368.6	344.1	268.3	980.9

( v ) yarn hairiness

$\alpha e \times Ne$					$\alpha e \times Sp$			$Ne \times Sp$					
Ne1	Ne2	Ne3	sum		sp1	sp2	sum	Ne1	Ne2	Ne3	sum		
$\alpha e1$	130.6	118.06	113.36	362.04	$\alpha e1$	195.54	166.5	362.04	sp1	142.22	124.86	119.03	386.11
$\alpha e2$	130.4	123.84	109.45	363.73	$\alpha e2$	190.57	173.16	363.73	sp2	118.84	117.04	103.78	339.66
sum	261.06	241.9	222.81	725.77	sum	386.11	339.66	725.77	sum	261.06	241.9	222.81	725.77



Table ( 7 )  
The Two- Way Table For Each Pair Of Factors

## ( i ) yarn tenacity

	Ne1	Ne2	Ne3	sum		$\alpha e1$	$\alpha e2$	sum		$\alpha e1$	$\alpha e2$	sum
Cr1	314.2	342.9	310.5	967.60	Cr1	479.1	488.5	967.60	Ne1	478.8	504.0	982.80
Cr2	339.9	350.3	335.8	1026.1	Cr2	518.9	509.1	1026.1	Ne2	519.3	528.6	1045.9
Cr3	328.7	352.8	337.9	1019.3	Cr3	512.1	507.2	1019.3	Ne3	509.9	474.3	984.30
sum	982.8	1045.9	984.3	3012.9	sum	1059.1	1504.9	3012.9	sum	1508.1	1504.9	3012.9

## ( ii ) yarn elongation

	Ne1	Ne2	Ne3	sum		$\alpha e1$	$\alpha e2$	sum		$\alpha e1$	$\alpha e2$	sum
Cr1	123.4	129.3	115.3	368.0	Cr1	182.3	184.7	368.0	Ne1	180.4	190.8	371.2
Cr2	123.3	127.4	116.9	368.8	Cr2	186.6	180.5	367.1	Ne2	196.3	166.8	363.0
Cr3	124.6	127.3	116.9	368.8	Cr3	188.3	180.6	368.8	Ne3	180.4	188.2	368.6
sum	371.2	383.0	348.6	1102.9	sum	557.1	545.7	1102.9	sum	557.1	545.7	1102.86

## ( iii ) yarn irregularity

	Ne1	Ne2	Ne3	sum		$\alpha e$	$\alpha e2$	sum		$\alpha e1$	$\alpha e2$	sum
Cr1	227.9	253.8	282.9	764.7	Cr1	378.2	386.4	764.7	Ne1	335.6	343.2	678.8
Cr2	221.9	252.1	269.4	743.4	Cr2	363.5	379.9	743.4	Ne2	373.5	381.9	755.4
Cr3	229.01	249.5	275.9	754.4	Cr3	371.3	383.1	754.4	Ne3	403.9	424.3	828.2
sum	678.8	755.4	828.2	2262.4	sum	1113	1149.4	2262.4	sum	1113	1149.4	2262.4

## ( iv ) yarn quality index

	Ne1	Ne2	Ne3	sum		$\alpha e1$	$\alpha e2$	sum		$\alpha e1$	$\alpha e2$	sum
Cr1	171.6	173.77	129.43	474.8	Cr1	243.2	240.6	474.8	Ne1	261.3	282.3	543.6
Cr2	190.03	178.27	144.65	510.95	Cr2	265.3	245.7	510.9	Ne2	273.4	257.03	530.4
Cr3	181.98	180.38	144.27	506.6	Cr3	263.5	243.1	506.6	Ne3	229.4	189.9	419.4
sum	543.61	530.40	419.35	1492.4	sum	763.1	729.3	1492.4	sum	763.1	729.3	1492.4

## ( v ) yarn hairiness

	Ne1	Ne2	Ne3	sum		$\alpha e1$	$\alpha e2$	sum		$\alpha e1$	$\alpha e2$	sum
Cr1	125.5	121.53	107.18	354.2	Cr1	173.8	180.4	354.2	Ne1	185.9	180.8	366.6
Cr2	118.8	116.9	103.8	339.5	Cr2	168.3	173.2	339.5	Ne2	170.9	180.4	351.4
Cr3	122.3	112.9	109.3	344.5	Cr3	178.04	169.5	344.52	Ne3	159.2	161.1	320.3
sum	366.6	351.4	320.3	1039.2	sum	516.13	522.1	1039.21	sum	516.1	522.1	1039.2

were tested (i.e 2000 meter/yarn were performed, at the same time yarn imperfections were recorded.

Uster Tensomat Tester was used for measuring strength characteristics and 100 tests per yarn were performed, each with tested length 50 cm and breaking time 30 sec. Uster yarn hairiness monitor "H" in conjunction with UT3 used for measuring hairiness%. Zweigle automatic twist tester D302 was used for measuring yarn twist ( t/m and c.v% ) also zweigle automatic yarn count tester L290 was used for measuring yarn count ( Tex ,Ne and c.v% )

Table ( 8 ) Summary of variance analysis of O-E combed yarn properties ( 2 x3 x2 )

Source of Variance	Degree of Freedom  ( d.f )	Mean Square ( M.S )				
		Yarn Properties				
		Tenacity g/tex	Elongation %	Irregularity c.v%	Hairiness %	YQI
<u>( i ) Main Effects :</u>						
twist factor ( $\alpha_e$ )	1	10.9324*	1.6660*	14.4977*	0.0238	3.8900*
yarncount (Ne)	2	11.7197*	4.4155*	59.2129*	0.9144*	68.240*
sliver prep.(Sp)	1	115.0521*	0.6542*	0.02050	17.9801	15.950*
<u>( ii ) Two Factor Interaction :</u>						
$\alpha_e \times Ne$	2	11.0685*	2.1713*	0.8864	0.5950	0.925*
$\alpha_e \times Sp$	1	3.5501	0.0360	0.6676	1.1270	0.500**
$Ne \times Sp$	2	1.7750	0.2135*	0.03175	1.5150	0.915*
<u>( iii ) Three Factor Interaction :</u>						
$\alpha_e \times Ne \times Sp$	2	2.5298	0.5828	0.0882	57.730*	0.285
Within cell	108	1.4628	0.0969	0.3135	0.6330	0.129

( \* ) significance for 99% ( \*\* ) significance for 95%

#### Experimental analysis :

As shown in the experimental work in table ( 1-3 ) the results obtained for yarn tenacity, breaking elongation, yarn irregularity, yarn quality index ( YQI ), yarn hairiness and ends down/1000 r.h were fed to computer and regression coefficients were determined . The coefficients were tested for significance at

the 90 , 95 and 99% confidence level . Also the two way table for each pair of factors is given in tables ( 6 ) and ( 7 ) . Summary of variance of open - end combed yarn characteristics are given in tables ( 8 ) and ( 9 ) . Also, the response-surface equations for the various yarn parameters are given in table ( 10 ) . Contour maps were constructed by using the response surface equation as shown in figures ( 2 ) to ( 7 ) .

Table ( 9 ) summary of variance analysis of O-E yarn properties ( 3 x3 x 2 )

Source of Variance	Degree of Freedom ( d.f )	Mean Square ( M.S )				
		Yarn Properties				
		Tenacity g/tex	Elongation E%	Irregularity c.v%	Hairiness ( H )	YQI
<u>Main Effects :</u>						
combing% (Cr	2	17.008*	0.0178	1.8802*	0.9341	6.495*
yarn count(Ne)	2	21.604*	5.098*	92.996*	9.2883*	78.95*
twist factor( $\alpha$ e)	1	0.59	0.7195	7.6471*	0.1967	6.34*
<u>( ii ) Two - Factor Interaction:</u>						
Cr x Ne	4	6.684*	0.0306	0.6988**	0.465	1.050
Cr x $\alpha$ e	2	1.409	0.4887	0.2800	1.138	3.875*
Ne x $\alpha$ e	2	16.286*	2.534	0.8566**	0.908	15.040*
<u>( iii ) Three - Factor Interaction :</u>						
Cr x Ne x $\alpha$ e	4	3.102**	18.833*	9.04995	1.54	3.140
Within cell	162	1.148	0.538	0.2287	0.486	0.678

( \* ) significance for 99%

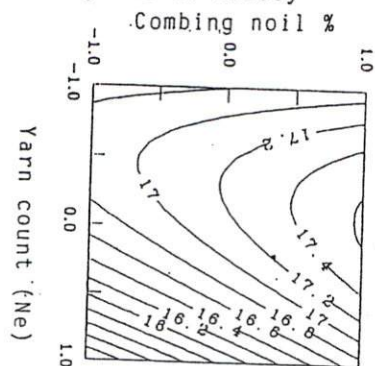
( \*\* ) significance for 95%

#### 4 . Results and discussion

##### 4.1 Yarn tenacity :

The yarn tenacity results due to the effect of the three variables linear density, twist factor and combing % are shown in table ( 7 ) . It can be noticed from the variance analysis that the main effect of the factors is significant . Also,







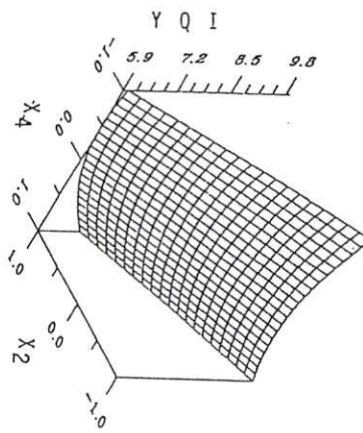
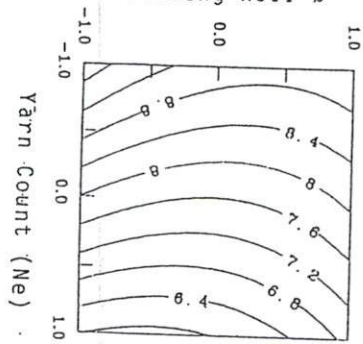


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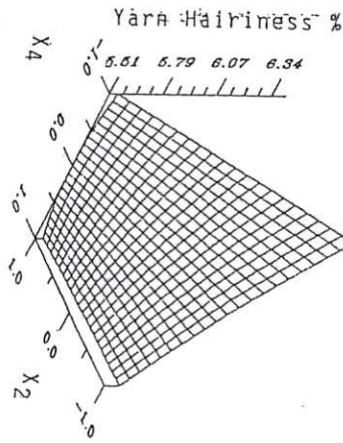
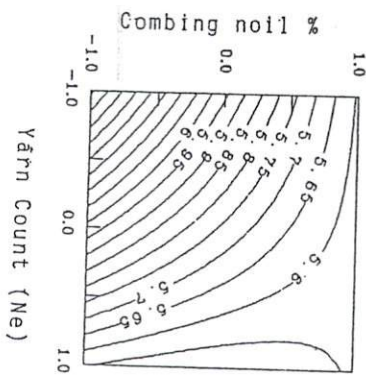


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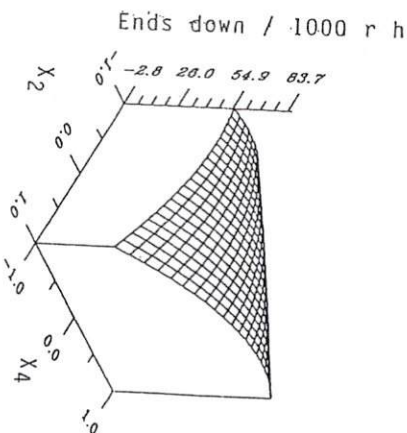
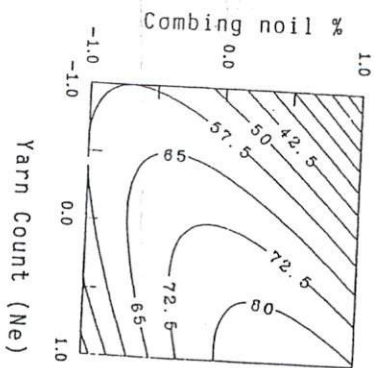


Fig. (7)

the interaction between yarn linear density and twist multiplier is highly significant. From the two way tables, it can be seen that, the linear density has a significant influence on the yarn tenacity. As yarn becomes finer this leads to a drop in yarn

Table ( 10 ) Responce-Surface Equations

Responce	Responce-Surface equation	Correlation coefficient
( i ) yarn tenacity ( g/tex )	$17.57-0.480\bar{X}_1+0.475\bar{X}_2-0.832\bar{X}_1^2$ $+0.003\bar{X}_2^2+0.388\bar{X}_1\bar{X}_2$	0.833
( ii ) yarn elongation ( E% )	$5.862-0.378\bar{X}_1-0.07\bar{X}_2-0.055\bar{X}_1^2$ $+0.261\bar{X}_2^2+0.158\bar{X}_1\bar{X}_2$	0.949
( iii ) yarn irregularity ( c.v% )	$13.749+1.35\bar{X}_1-0.056\bar{X}_2-0.120\bar{X}_1^2$ $-0.087\bar{X}_2^2-0.120\bar{X}_1\bar{X}_2$	0.936
( iv ) yarn quality index ( YQI )	$7.582-1.513\bar{X}_1+0.035\bar{X}_2-0.63\bar{X}_1^2$ $+0.452\bar{X}_2^2+0.403\bar{X}_1\bar{X}_2$	0.923
( v ) yarn hairiness ( H% )	$5.74 - 0.223\bar{X}_1-0.205\bar{X}_2-0.0034\bar{X}_1^2$ $+0.0432\bar{X}_2^2+205\bar{X}_1\bar{X}_2$	0.760
( vi ) ends down per 1000 r.h	$72.216+16.66\bar{X}_1-4.166\bar{X}_2-8.33\bar{X}_1^2$ $+20.836\bar{X}_2^2+25.0\bar{X}_1\bar{X}_2$	0.810

( where  $\bar{X}_1 = X_2$  ,  $\bar{X}_2 = X_4$  )

yarn tenacity. Also the twist multiplier effect has been observed, the higher twist especially at finer count resulting in a reduction in tenacity values. On the other hand, the influence of sliver fed can be noticed, the results indicate that a higher yarn tenacity as combed sliver fed than those obtained for carded sliver table ( 6 ). The contour lines for yarn tenacity due to the effect of combing % and yarn linear density is shown in fig.( 2 ), and the complete analysis of variance are given in table ( 9 ). It can be seen, for yarn having a higher linear density, the effect of combing % within the experimental field results in a slight change in yarn tenacity. While, when the yarn becomes finer that the improvement influence of the combing % on the yarn tenacity can be observed. An increase in combing % increased the rotor yarn tenacity by approximately 12%.

#### 4.2 Elongation at break :

The two way tables ( 6 - 7 ) indicate that, the elongation at break is influenced by twist multiplier. Also, the effect of the factor ( twist and linear density ) and three factor ( twist x linear density x sliver fed ) is highly significant ( table 8 ). From the complete variance anlysis given in (table 9 ), it is clear that

the three factor (combing % x linear density x twist) affect significantly on yarn elongation. Also the yarn elongation is affected by other factors than by combing %. The response surface for elongation at break (fig. 3) indicates the influence of yarn linear density and combing %. The reduction in yarn elongation values is more marked for finer yarn and within the practical range of combing %. While a higher elongation corresponds to lower combing % and coarser yarn.

#### 4.3 Yarn irregularity :

As can be observed in two way table (6 - 7) for low and high twist levels, regularity of O-E yarn is practically dependent of the yarn linear density. For both high twist and finer yarns an increase in irregularity does become evident.

For the type of sliver fed (carded and 15% combed), the results obtained imply that; as combed sliver was used for spinning combed rotor yarns results in a slight change of regularity values.

Figure (4) shows the effect of yarn linear density and combing % on yarn irregularity. The contours clearly show that, their regularity increases with a decrease in yarn linear density. For finer count as the combing % increases, the influence on regularity becomes more apparent. The combing process gives a little improvement in the Uster c.v% as shown in table (7).

#### 4.4 Yarn quality index (YQI) :

Two way tables (6 - 7) show the influence of yarn linear density, twist factor, sliver fed and combing % on combed yarn quality index. As we have seen, the results that just been analysed are affected by the combing process. A better yarn quality is obtained with combed sliver than with carded sliver.

Also, it is evident that yarn quality index is affected by twist multiplier. The best results are obtained for low twist. For high yarn linear density, varying twist multiplier causes a slight difference in combed yarn quality. While the difference is approximately 1.3 points for finer count. It follows from this that, as the yarn becomes finer it is appropriate to use a lower twist multiplier.

Figure (5) shows the contours for yarn quality index, due to the effect of combing % and yarn linear density. The results indicate that, quality index decreases from coarse to fine yarns. Also quality index is slightly deteriorated with an increase in combing % for coarser counts. The inverse phenomenon is observed for finer count, an increase in combing % results in an increase in yarn quality index.



#### 4.5 Yarn hairiness :

Hairiness is highly affected by the experimental conditions . Also, the interaction between twist, yarn linear density and combing % is significant .

The response surface equation for rotor yarn hairiness indicates that, the combing % and yarn linear density affect yarn hairiness . Yarn hairiness decreases with increasing combing % and decreasing yarn linear density as shown in fig. ( 6 )

#### 4.6 Ends down :

The contour lines for ends down of combed rotor yarns is shown in fig. ( 7 ) . Ends down per 1000 r.h decreases with an increase in both combing % and yarn linear density . A maximum yarn ends down occurs with finer count and high combing%. In general, ends down varies between 12 and 80 per 1000 rotor hour . This rate is very closer to the average levels of ends down in a new modern rotor installation ~ 40 per 1000 r.h for average count ( Ne 27 ) of 22 tex

#### 5- Conclusion :

The present study permits the following conclusion to be drawn :

1-The effect of combing % on rotor yarn quality :

- ( i )- Combed rotor yarn strength and the variation in strength are improved when using combed sliver .
  - As a result of combing the rotor yarn tenacity increase by approximately 12%
  - The effect is highly significant and it is evident for finer than for coarser counts.
- ( ii ) Rotor yarn elongation is influenced more by combed sliver than by carded sliver. In addition, the effect due to the variation in combing % is less than other factors. While the interaction between combing % with yarn linear density and twist affect significantly on yarn elongation .
- ( iii )- Rotor yarn evenness affected significantly by the combing process . The combed sliver gives a slight improvement in the Uster c.v% . This influence is evident for finer count as the combing % increases .
- ( iv )-Quality Index of combed rotor yarns is slightly deteriorated with an increase in combing % for coarser counts . The inverse phenomenon is observed for finer count .
- ( v )- Rotor yarn hairiness decreases with an increase in combing % . The two factor ( count x combing % ) and three factor ( count x combing % x twist )



interaction affect significantly yarn hairiness .

( vi )-Ends down per 1000 rotor hour decreases with an increase in combing %

2- Effect of twist and yarn linear density on quality of combed rotor yarn . The results obtained through the experiments in this paper are sufficiently coherent to be indicative of the trends to be expected and compatible so far with the earlier research work ( 8 ) .

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