EVALUATING THE PERFORMANCE OF A LOCALLY COMBINE FOR HARVEST WHEAT CROP

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ABSTRACT

Minimize of all harvest losses for wheat crop represent the important factor for upgrade harvest system The present study aimed to evaluate a locally combine for harvest wheat crop The experiments were carried out in Barkeen Village – Dakahlia Governorate during two seasons (2008 – 2009) for harvesting wheat crop (Sakha 93) at forward speed of 0.53, 0.70, 0.95 and 1.15 km/h, and at grain moisture contents of 16.73, 14.41 and 12.13 % during standard drum speed of 24.74 m/s. The pre-harvesting losses for (sakha 93) w as about 0.28% at grain moisture content of 12.13% , straw moisture content of 25.73% and daily times of 12^{PM}.While,the highest value of total grain losses 2.08 % was obtained at forward speed of 1.15 km/h and grain moisture content of 16.73 %.The highest performance efficiency of machine 98.91% was obtained at forward speed of 0.53 km/h and grain moisture content of 12.13 % While, the highest cutting efficiency 94.81 % were obtained at forward speed of 0.53 km/h and grain moisture content of 12.13 %.The highest effective field capacity and efficiency (0.48 fed;/h and 78.38%) were obtained at forward speed of (1.15 and 0.53 km/h) and grain moisture content of 12.13 %, respectively. Whereas .the lowest value of energy requirements 311.01 kW.h/fed; was at forward speed af 1.15 km/h and grain moisture content af 12.13%, respectively. The lowest value of criterion cost 312.10 L.E / fed; were obtained at forward speed of 1.15 km/h and grain moisture content of 12.13% .

INTRODUCTION

Wheat is the most important cereal crop in Egypt, it occupies about 2.75 millions feddan with a national average of about 2.28 tons, producing yearly about 6.27 millions tons of grain and 9.6558 millions tons of straw, Ministry of agriculture (2006) A.R.E. The advancement of wheat productivity A principal aim of promoting agricultural production and reduce import, and to help reduce

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the food gap in Egypt to achieve this requires minimization of total losses during the various stages of harvest methods, where previous studies have shown a big losses with different harvest systems and during harvest and to contribute to multi achieve the desired goal This is done using the techniques developed and the mechanism by which can minimize the total losses, and that the machine is one complete in the process of mowing, gathering and threshing and separation of straw and assemble the desired image to the Egyptian farmer in a separate tank. Therefore, a combine harvester is appealing solution to harvest wheat crop and save a harvest operation time, decreasing all losses and clearing the fields for the next crop. Tithes invest to be used as anew technology to overcome the high cost and losses traditional harvesting. Comberined with. **Hassan et al (1994)** found that, increasing forward speed to 1.2 km/h at grain moisture content of 19.2 % increased the header losses from 0.82 % to 1.38 % from 0.72 % to 1.09 % and from 0.22 % to 0.87 % when using Yanmer, Deatz and Fortshirt combines. respctively **EL-Sayed et al; (2002)** found that increasing forward speed from 1.7 to 2.7 km/h the harvesting untreated, total losses and field capacity increased from 3.2; 1.95;8.75 %, 1.1 fed;/h to 4.1, 2.1, 9.36 %, 1.38 fed; /h, respectively and the damaged losses, performance efficiency decreased from 0.9, and 94.06 % to 0.7, 92.6 %, respectively. Too, at using wheat header in harvesting decreased total losses and criterion cost from 27,15 % and 824 L.E / ton to 8.75 % and increased 344 L.E/ton respectively. Also, the performance efficiency from 77.72 % to 92.82 % than using the corn header combine. **Ebaid et al; (2004)** found that, the optimum conditions of thresher machine to be operated at the maximum efficiency are; drum speed of 870 r.p.m., feed rate of 1200kg/h, air speed at suction of 32m/s, blower air speed of 6 m/s , sieve oscillation of 593 r.p.m, sieve tilt angle of 5 degrees and moisture content of 13.5 % with machine purity of 99.30 %, fan losses of 0.11 %, losses behind sieve were found of zero % .**EL-khateeb(2005)** found that the cylinder speed of 24.0 m/s gave the minimum value of total losses (2.33 %) and maximum value of performance efficiency (97.88 %). baffle plate angles of 90^0 (1.57 rad) gave the minimum values of cylinder loss, cleaning loss and total loss percentages (0.70, 0.55 and 1.62 %) and maximum value of performance efficiency of 97.95 % by increasing the

forward speed from 1.5 to 3.0 km/h. At grain moisture of 25.0 % tends to decrease the rates of fuel consumption from 7.20 to 5.24 L/fed;. **Imara et al.(2003)** found that, the total grain losses increased by increasing the combine forward speed. The total grain losses of indirect harvesting method (using mower and threashing machine) increased about 2.5 times of that of total grain losses of direct harvesting (using combine). **EL-Danasory and Imbabi (1998)** found that the baler losses of straw decreased by decreasing the forward speed and decreasing the period after harvesting with combine The actual capacity of baler was affected by the weight of straw yield and forward speed, the time requirement for picking up the straw of one feddan ranged from 0.9 to 1.7 hour using the baler. But it was 45.0 hours using the manual method. The cost of using baler to pick up and bating straw was nearly less than the half cost of manual method. The objective of this research is to determine the effect of forward speed, drum speed and grain moisture content on the total losses for a locally combine harvester.

MATERIAL AND METHODS

The experiments were carried out in Barkeen Village – Dakahlia Governorate during two seasons (2008 – 2009) for harvesting wheat crop (Sakha 93) by a locally combine harvester. It was fabricated in Kafr - Sengap work shop - Dakahlia Governorate as shown in (Fig.1). The technical specification shown in table 1.

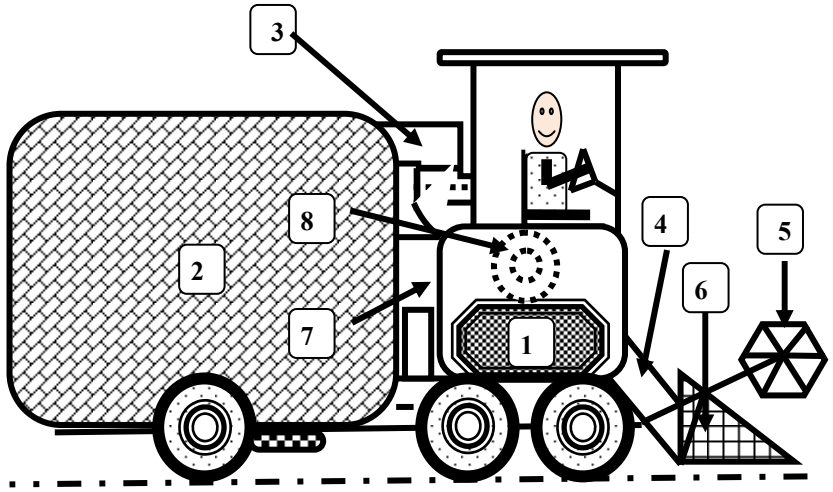
Table 1: Technical specifications of a locally combine harvester.

Specifications of a locally combine harvester	
Overall dimensions of combine:	
length, cm	475
width, cm	300
height, cm	325
The engine:	
Type	Diesel engine-vertical 6 cylinder-water cooling
Out- put ps /rpm	125/3600
Fuel tank capacity, l	120
The power, kW	104.53
Number of wheels	10
Header section:	

Working width, cm	290
Pick-up and feed type	(Pick-up reel +auger) and elevator belt.

Contin. Table 1

Threashing section:	
Type	locally wheat thresher
Machine model.	HMT/1987
Overall dimension of threshing unit:	
Length, cm	235
Width, cm	225
Height, cm	175
Drum speed	450-850 rpm
Feed type.	Mechanical feeding by elevator belt.
Threshing drum:	
Type	Spike tooth.
Diameter, cm	67.5
Length, cm	118
No. of rows	4
Knives	44 Knives 29cm long x 0.8 cm thick.
The concave:	
Type	Perforated sheet metal of 3 mm thick. 15mm diameter circular holes for
Concave perforations	wheat, barley and soy bean.
Area of feeding gate, cm^2	4590
Area of straw gate out, cm^2	1750
The sives:	
No.of hols /100 cm^2	125
Diameter of holes, mm	6
The fan:	
Type	Centrifugal
No. of blade	5
Straw container:	
Length, cm	275
Width, cm	250
Height, cm	225
Total volume,m^3	15.47
Total capacity of straw yield, kg.	1500



1- The engine 2- Straw container 3- Tube of straw output
4- Feeder conveyor 5- The reel 6- The header unit
7- Grain gate output 8- Threshing unit

Fig 1: The drawing line of a locally wheat harvester combine.

Fig.2:Photo of a locally drawing harvesting(A) and discharge straw(B)operation

The evaluation tested carried out under different forward speed of 0.53, 0.70, 0.95 and 1.15 km/h, and grain moisture contents of 16.73, 14.41 and 12.13 % at standard drum speed of 24.74 m/s.

Measuring instruments:

Balance, stopwatch, Electrical drying oven, tachometer, ruler, measure tape (50 meter) and wooden frame at dimension of 1x1m are useed to evalute the paramters.

Measuring harvest losses;

Pre-harvest losses.

Pre-harvesting losses were determined by using a wooden frame at dimension of 1×1 m. It was put randomized through stand crop before harvesting to collect and weight the kernels found in the frame, this case replicated ten times. The percentage of pre-harvest losses was calculated by using the following equation;

$$\text{Pre-harvest losses}\,\% = \frac{\text{weight of grain collected}}{\text{total weight of yield}} \times 100 \text{,……………….…. (1)}$$

Header losses.

After back the length of machine, put the wooden frame on the surface land in the front of machine within the harvested area. collect and weight the kernels found in the frame and subtract the weight the kernels found in the pre-harvest losses. The percentage of header loss was calculated by using the following equation;

$$\text{Header losses}\,\% = \frac{\text{Header losses /fed}}{\text{Total yield/fed}} \times 100 \text{,…………………………..(2)}$$

Cutting efficiency:

The cutting efficiency was calculated by using the following equation;

$$E_C = \frac{H_a - H_b}{H_a} \times 100 \text{, \%…………………………………………..……(3)}$$

Where;

H_a = height of stand plant above the soil surface before cutting, cm.

H_b = height of the stubble after cutting, cm.

Threshing losses.

Threshing losses is a combine of many kinds of losses such as grain losses, grain damage and unthreshed grain. It can be calculated by using the following equation;

$$\text{Grain losses}\,\% = \frac{\text{mass of grain losses with the straw/fed;}}{\text{Total mass of grain/fed;}} \times 100 \text{,……….(4)}$$

$$\text{Grain damage}\,\% = \frac{\text{mass of grain damage/fed;}}{\text{Total mass of grain /fed;}} \times 100 \text{,.........................(5)}$$

$$\text{Unthreshed grain losses}\,\% = \frac{\text{mass of unthreshed grain/fed;}}{\text{Total mass of grain /fed ;}} \times 100 \text{,.......(6)}$$

$$\text{Threshing efficiency}\,\% = \frac{\text{Threashing losses /fed;}}{\text{yield/fed;}} \times 100 \text{,,………………(7)}$$

Where;

Threshing losses = (unthreshed grain losses + grain damage +grain losses)

Combine performance efficiency.

The combine performance was calculated by using the following equation:

$$\text{Performanc efficiency},\% = \frac{\text{output/fed};}{(\text{output} + \text{Total losses})/\text{fed};} \times 100, \ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots(8)$$

Where;

Output = amount of grain collected in the bin

Total losses = (header losses + threshing losses)

Threshing losses = (unthreshed grain losses + grain damage +grain losses)

The theoretical field capacity (Fc_{th}).

$$Field\ capacity, fed./h = \frac{the\ width \times forward\ speed}{consant}, \ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots(9)$$

$$Fc_{th} = \frac{w \times v}{4.2}, \ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots(10)$$

Where:

W= theoretical machine width, m,

V= machine travel speed, km/h.

The actual field capacity (Fcact).

$$Fc_{ac} = \frac{60}{Tu + Ti}, \ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots\ldots(11)$$

Where:

Tu= utilization time per feddan in minutes,

Ti= summation of lost time per feddan, in minutes

Fuel consumption:

It was determined by measuring the volume of fuel consumed during each operation.

The Power and energy requirements

The power consumed by each mechanized system for harvesting operations was calculated using the measured fuel consumption by the used combine during the operation. The following formula was used to

estimate power consumption by the mechanized system according to ***Hunt (1983), and Rangasamy et al.(1993)*** as follows:

$$P = \frac{FC}{3600} \times \rho.f \times LCV \times 427 \times \eta_{th} \times \eta_{mec} \times \frac{1}{75} \times \frac{1}{1.36} ..., kW, ...(12)$$

Where:

FC= fuel consumption, L/h,

$\rho_{.f}$ = density of fuel, Kg / L (For diesel = 0.85);

L.C.V= calorific value of fuel (10000 kcal / kg);

427= thermo-mechanical equivalent, J / kcal,

η_{th} = thermal efficiency of engine(≈ 35%for diesel engines),

η_{mec} = mechanical efficiency of engine (≈80%).

While, the energy required for each mechanized system was estimated using the following equation: -

$$Energy\ requirements\ (kW.h/\ fed.) = \frac{Power\ requirement\ (kW)}{Effective\ \ field\ capacity\ (\ fed/h)}, ...(13)$$

Specific energy requirements (kW.h / ton), was calculated by multiplying the consumed power (kW) dividing the machine productivity (ton) per houre.

The operation system cost

The hourly cost for machine operation was determined using the following equation, ***Hunt, (1983)***

Hourly cost = P/H (1/A + I/2 + T + R) + (0.9W.S.F) + M/144, .E./h,..(14)

Where:

P = price of machine, L.E,
H =yearly working hours,h/year,
A = life expected of machine, year,
I = interest rate / year,
T = taxes, over heads ratio,
R=repairs and maintenance ration,
0.9 =factor accounting for lubrication
W = power, hp,
S =specific fuel consumption(L/hp.h),
F = fuel price, L.E. / L,
M/144 = monthly wage ratio, L.E,

The operating cost per Fed was determined using the following equation:

$$Machinery..operating.\cos t = \frac{hourly.\cos t(LE/\ fed;)}{machine.actual.field..capcity(\ fed/h)}, ...(15)$$

The Criterion cost (C)

It was calculated from the equation of;

C= operation cost /fed + transporting cost + product losses cost/fed, (16)

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Description a condition crop before harvest operation is an important factor in a performance machine and has a great effect on loss and final conditions of grain and straw yield. Some crop characteristic are include Table 2.

Table 2: Mean values of some characteristics of wheat crop(variety of Sakha93)

Some characteristics of wheat crop	Mean values
Plant height (cm)	106.42
Thousand grain mass (g)	45.76
Spike grain mass (g)	2.54
No of grain /spike	55.73
No of spikes / m^2	396.22

Pre-harvest loss:

Pre-harvest loss affected by many factors such as grain and straw moisture content and daily times.The results in Table3 indicated that the pre-harvest loss is decreased by increasing of grain and straw moisture content (w.b)

Table 3. Pre-harvesting loss at different grain and straw moisture content.

Daily times	Straw moisture content, %	Grain moisture content, %	Pre-harvest loss, %
10^{AM}	31.28	16.73	0.13
12^{PM}	25.73	12.13	0.28
4^{PM}	30.82	14.41	0.19

Harvest Losses:

1) Header losses:

Data in Fig. (3) indicated that increasing in forward speed caused to increase the header loss at different grain moisture content. That is trend to excessive load of wheat stems at cutter-bar. While the decrease of grain moisture content caused increase in header loss at different forward speed. However, the highest and lowest value of header loss (0.3 and 0.12%) were obtained at forward speed of (1.15 and 0.53 km/h) and grain moisture content of (12.13 and16.73%), respectively.

2) Threshing losses:

A. Grain damage:

Data in Fig. (4) referred that the increase in forward speed caused a decrease in grain damage that is due to excessive load in threshing unit, while the decrease in grain moisture content cased increase in the grain damage. That is due to wheat grain at low moisture content have a good chance to crashes and be broken by drum knifes. However, The highest and the lowest value of grain damaged (0.24 and 0.09 %) were obtained at forward speed of (0.53 and 1.15 km/h.) and grain moisture content of (12.13 and 16.73%), respectively.

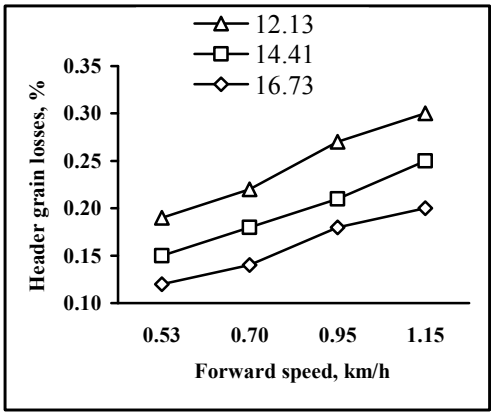


Fig 3: Effect of forward speed and grain moisture content on header losses.

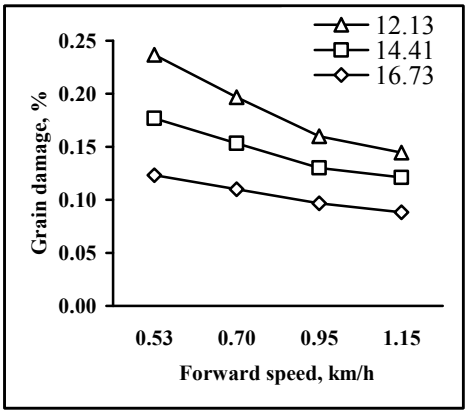


Fig.4:Effect of forward speed on grain damage at different grain moisture contents

B. Unthreshed grains:

Data in Fig.(5) showed that by increasing forward speed and grain moisture content caused. Increase in unthreshed grain. That is due to excessive load in threshing unit, while decrease in forward speed and grain moisture content caused a decrease in unthreshed grain. However, the highest and lowest value of unthreshed grain (1.34 and 0.26 %) were obtained at forward speed of (1.15 and 0.53 km/h) and grain moisture content of (16.73 and 12.13%), respectively.

Threshing grain losses:

Regarding to Fig. (6) evident that, increasing in forward speed caused to increase the threshing grain loss at different grain moisture content. While, the decrease in grain moisture content caused a decrease in threshing grain loss. However, the highest and lowest value of threshing grain loss (0.76

% and 0.15 %) was obtained at forward speed of (1.15 and 0.53 km/h.) and grain moisture content of (12.13% and 16.73), respectively.

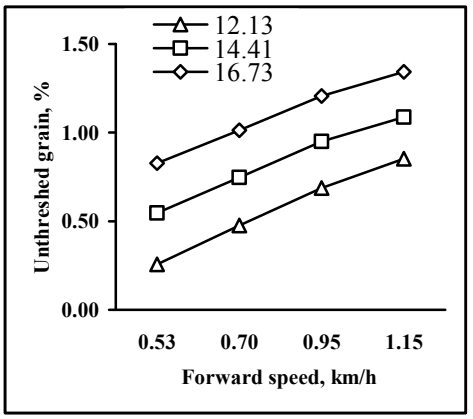


Fig. 5 : Effect of forward speed on unthreshed grain at different grain moisture contents.

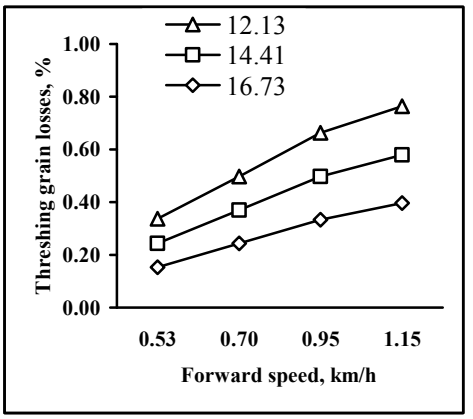


Fig. 6 : Effect of forward speed on grain losses at different grain moisture contents.

C. Total threshing losses:

Viewing to Fig. (7), it is clear that increasing in forward speed caused to increase in the total threshing loss, while the decreasing in grain moisture content caused a decrease the total threshing loss. However, the highest and lowest values of total threshing loss (1.83and 0.83%) were obtained at forward speed of (1.15 and 0.53 km/h) and grain moisture content of (16.7 and 12.13%), respectively.

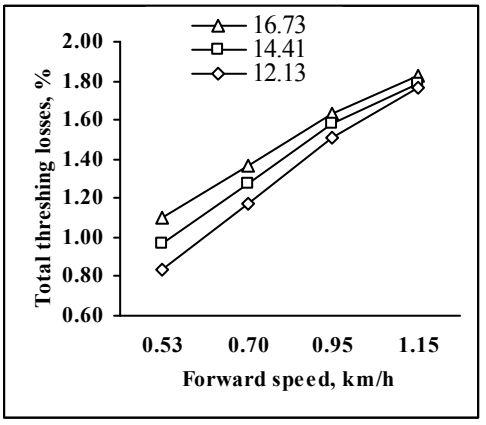


Fig. 7 : Effect of forward speed on total threshing losses at different seed moisture contents.

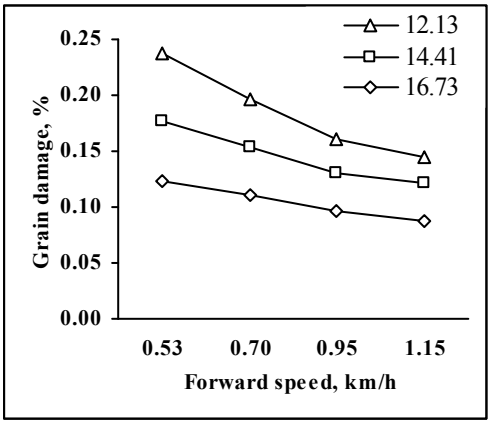


Fig. 8 : Effect of forward speed on total harvesting losses at different seed moisture contents.

D. Total harvesting losses:

Viewing to Fig. (8); it is clear that increasing in forward speed and grain moisture content to caused increase in the total harvesting loss.

However, the highest and lowest values of total harvesting loss (2.08 and 1.17 %) were obtained at forward speed of (1.15and 0.53 km/h) and grain moisture content of (16.73 and 12.13%); respectively.

3) The performance efficiency:

From Fig. (9) it is clear that increasing in forward speed tend to decrease and increase the performance efficiency of machine at different drum and forward speed and grain moisture content respectively. While, the decreased of grain moisture content tend to increase the performance efficiency of machine at the other factors. However, the highest and lowest value of performance efficiency of machine (98.91and 97.51 %) were obtained at forward speed of (0.53 and 1.15 km/h), and grain moisture content of (12.13 and 16.73%), respectably.

4) Cutting efficiency.

From Fig. (10) It is clear that increasing of forward speed from 0.53 to 1.15 km/h tend to decrease the cutting efficiency at different grain moisture content. This trend may be due to bending of stems under the cutter bar increases by increasing the forward speed.

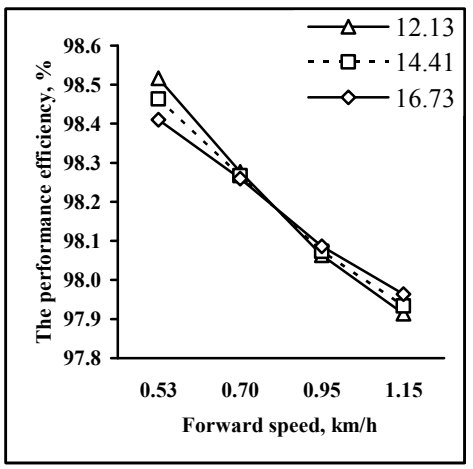


Fig. 9 : Effect of forward speed on combine efficiency at different seed moisture content.

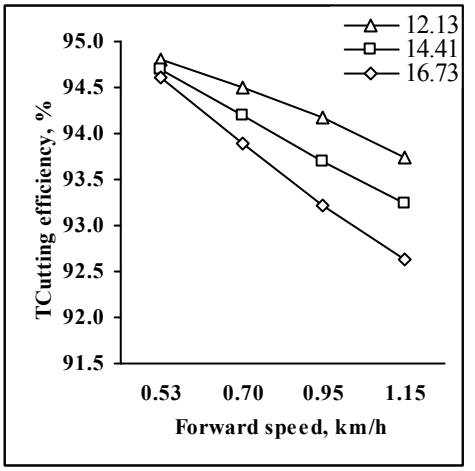


Fig. 10: Effect of forward speed on cutting efficiency at different grain moisture content.

While, decreased of grain moisture content from 16.73 to 12.13 % tend to increase the cutting efficiency at different forward speed. The highest and lowest value of cutting efficiency (94.81and 92.63%) were obtained at forward speed of (0.53 and 1.15 km/h), and grain moisture content of (12.13 and 16.73%) respectively.

5) Field capacity and efficiency:

Data in Table (4) mentioned that the effective of field capacity increased at increase in forward speed and decreased in grain moisture content. While, the field efficiency decreased at increase in forward speed and grain moisture content. Whereas, the highest value of the effective field capacity and field efficiency (0.48 fed;/h and 78.38%) were obtained at forward speed of (1.15 and 0.53 km/h) and grain moisture content of 12.13 % respectively. While the lowest value of the effective field capacity and field efficiency (0.2 fed;/h and 48.01%) were obtained at forward speed of (0.53 and 1.15 km/h) and grain moisture content of 16.73 %, respectively.

6) Energy requirements:

Regarding to energy requirements data in Table(4) showed that the energy requirements decreased at increasing the forward speed and decreased in grain moisture content. However, the highest and lowest value of the energy requirements (693.08 and 311.01 kW.h/fed;)

Table 4. Field capacity, field efficiency and energy requirements at different forward speed and grain moisture content

Grain moisture content, %	Forward speed, km/h	Actual field capacity fed;/h	Fuel Consumptio L/h	Power requirements, kW	Energy requirements, kW.h/fed;	Field efficiency %
16.73	**0.53**	0.2	14.03	138.62	393.08	54.05
	0.7	0.25	14.97	147.90	591.61	52.08
	0.95	0.31	15.92	157.29	507.39	46.97
	1.15	0.38	16.92	167.17	439.92	48.10
14.41	**0.53**	0.25	13.41	132.49	529.96	67.57
	0.7	0.30	14.31	141.38	471.28	62.50
	0.95	0.36	15.2	150.18	417.16	54.55
	1.15	0.43	16.17	159.76	371.53	54.43
12.13	**0.53**	0.29	12.53	123.80	426.88	78.38
	0.7	0.34	13.37	132.10	388.52	70.83
	0.95	0.41	14.21	140.39	342.43	62.12
	1.15	0.48	15.11	149.29	311.01	60.76

were obtained at forward speed 0.53 and 1.15 km/h and grain moisture content 16.73 and 12.13%, respectively.

Analyses cost:

The operating cost affected directly by the grain output or productivity, Data in Table 5; indicated that increase in forward speed caused decreased in cost operation and criterion cost and increase in values of grain loss at different grain moisture content. However, the highest and lowest values of harvest operation cost (396.65and 174.02 L.E / fed;) were obtained at forward speed of (0.53 and 1.15 km/h and grain moisture content of (16.73 and 12.13%), respectively. While the highest and lowest values of criterion cost (494.67and 312.10 LE / fed;) were obtained at forward speed of (0.53 and 1.15 km/h and grain moisture content of (16.73 and 12.13%), respectively. In addition the highest and lowest value of grain loss cost(149.31and 80.19 LE/fed;)were obtained at forward speed of 1.15 and0.53km/h and grain moisture content of(16.73and12.13%) respectively

Table 5. Cost harvest operation and criterion cost for a locally combine of wheat harvesting

Grain Moisture content, %	Forward speed, km/h	Actual Field Capacity, Fed;/h	The cost Operation, L.E/fed;	Values of Grain losses, L.E/fed;	Criterion Cost, L.E/fed;
16.73	**0.53**	0.2	396.65	98.02	494.67
	0.7	0.25	320.32	117.39	437.71
	0.95	0.31	261.23	131.14	392.36
	1.15	0.38	215.87	149.31	409.29
14.41	**0.53**	0.25	320.32	88.97	409.29
	0.7	0.30	269.43	110.45	379.89
	0.95	0.36	227.03	125.24	352.26
	1.15	0.43	192.51	142.98	335.50
12.13	**0.53**	0.29	278.21	80.19	358.40
	0.7	0.34	239.50	103.49	342.99
	0.95	0.41	201.17	120.72	321.89
	1.15	0.48	174.02	138.08	312.10

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION

Evaluation results of a locally combine harvester for wheat crop reveal to the following points:

- The highest value of header loss 0.3 % was obtained at forward speed of 1.15 km/h and grain moisture content of 12.13 %, respectively.
- The highest value of grain damaged 0.24 % was obtained at forward speed of 0.53 km/h. and grain moisture content of 12.13 %, respectively.
- The highest value of unthreshed grain 1.34 % was obtained at forward speed of 1.15 km/h and grain moisture content of 16.73%, respectively.
- The highest value of threshing grain loss 0.76 % was obtained at forward speed of 1.15 km/h. and grain moisture content of 12.13%, respectively.
- The highest value of total harvesting loss 2.08 % was obtained at forward speed of 1.15 km/h and grain moisture content of 16.73 %, respectively.
- The highest value of performance efficiency of machine 98.91% was obtained at forward speed of 0.53 km/h and grain moisture content of 12.13 %, respectably.
- The highest value of cutting efficiency 94.81% was obtained at forward speed of 0.53 km/h and grain moisture content of 12.13%, respectively.
- The highest value of the effective field capacity and efficiency (0.48 fed;/h and 78.38%) were obtained at forward speed of (1.15 and 0.53 km/h) and grain moisture content of 12.13 %, respectively.
- The highest and lowest value of the energy requirements (693.08 and 311.01 kW.h/fed;) were obtained at forward speed 0.53 and 1.15 km/h and grain moisture content 16.73 and 12.13%, respectively.
- The highest and lowest value of harvest operation cost (396.65and 174.02 L.E / fed;) were obtained at forward speed of (0.53 and 1.15 km/h and grain moisture content of (16.73 and 12.13%) respectively.
- The highest and lowest values of criterion cost (494.67and 312.10 L.E / fed;) were obtained at forward speed of (0.53 and 1.15 km/h and grain moisture content of (16.73 and 12.13%) respectively.

RECOMMENDATION

From the experimentally results, the best performance of a locally harvester combine obtained at forward speed of 0.53 km/h and grain moisture content of 12.13 % for harvesting wheat crop. Adding to, using a locally harvester combine for harvesting wheat, save many steps was achieved in a traditional method such as cutting, gathering, collecting, transporting, threshing operations and save a haulm crop. At the other hand, reduce the pollutions and save a good health to Egyptians farmers.

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الملخص العربى

تقييم أداء الة حصاد مجمعة محليا لمحصول القمح

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يعد النهوض بإنتاجية محصول القمح أحد الأهداف الرئيسية المنشودة للنهوض بالإنتاج الزراعى وتقليل إستيراده والمساهمة فى تقليل الفجوة الغذائية فى مصرولتحقيق ذلك يتطلب تدنية الفواقد الكلية خلال المراحل المتعددة لحصاد المحصول حيث أوضحت الدراسات السابقة مقدارتضخم الفواقد مع نظم الحصاد المختلفة وخلال مراحل الحصاد المتعددة وللمساهمة فى تحقيق الهدف المنشود يتم ذلك بإستخدام التقنيات الآلية المتطورة والتى بواسطتها يمكن تدنية الفواقد الكلية فى آلة جامعة واحدة تقوم بعملية الضم والدراس وفصل التبن وتجميعه بالصورة المرغوبة لدى الفلاح المصرى فى خزان مستقل وعليه كان من اهداف هذا البحث هو تقييم أداء آلة حصاد جامعة محلية الصنع لحصاد محصول القمح وتمثلت عوامل الدراسة فيما يلى:

- أربع سرعات للتقدم (0.53 و 0.7 و 0.95 و1.15 كيلومتر /ساعة).
- ثلاث مستويات للرطوبة (16.73 و14.41 و12.13 %).

وعند سرعة درفيل الدراس 24.5 متر/ثانية وتم دراسة تأثيرها على (فواقد المضرب – الحبوب الغير مدروسة – كسر الحبوب - فواقد الدراس الكلية- فواقد الحصاد الكلية - كفاءة الأداء للكومباين – كفاءة القطع للكومباين – الكفاءة الحقلية للكومباين – القدرة والطاقة المطلوبة لعملية الحصاد – التكاليف الكلية).

وأوضحت النتائج ما يلى:

بلغت النسبة العظمى لفاقد المضرب 0.3 %عند سرعة تقدم 1.15 كيلومتر/ساعة ونسبة رطوبة 12.13%

بينما كانت أقل نسبة لفاقد المضرب 0.12 %عند سرعة تقدم 0.5كيلومتر/ساعة ونسبة رطوبة 16.73%

بلغت النسبة العظمى لكسر الحبوب 0.24 % عند سرعة تقدم 0.53كيلومتر/ساعة ونسبة رطوبة 12.13 % بينما كانت أقل نسبة لكسر الحبوب 0.09 %عند سرعة تقدم 1.15كيلومتر/ساعة ونسبة رطوبة 16.73 %

بلغت النسبة العظمى للحبوب الغير مدروسة 1.34% عند سرعة تقدم 1.15كيلومتر/ساعة ونسبة رطوبة 16.73 % بينما كانت أقل نسبة للحبوب الغير مدروسة 0.26 % عند سرعة تقدم 0.53كيلومتر/ساعة ونسبة رطوبة 12.13 %.

بلغت النسبة العظمى لفاقد حبوب الدراس 0.76 %عند سرعة تقدم 1.15 كيلومتر/ساعة ونسبة رطوبة 12.13 % بينما كانت أقل نسبة لحبوب الدراس 0.15 % عند سرعة تقدم 0.53كيلومتر/ساعة ونسبة رطوبة 16.73 %.

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بلغت النسبة العظمى لفاقد الدراس الكلى1.83 % عند سرعة تقدم 1.15 كيلومتر/ساعة ونسبة رطوبة 16.73 % بينما كانت أقل نسبة لفاقد الدراس الكلى 0.83 % عند سرعة تقدم 0.53كيلومتر/ساعة ونسبة رطوبة 12.13 %.

بلغت النسبة العظمى لفاقد الحصاد الكلى 2.08 % عند سرعة تقدم 1.15 كيلومتر/ساعة ونسبة رطوبة 16.73 % بينما كانت أقل نسبة لفاقد الحصاد الكلى 1.17 % عند سرعة تقدم 0.53كيلومتر/ساعة ونسبة رطوبة 12.13 %.

بلغت أعلى كفاءة أداء للكومباين 98.91 % عند سرعة تقدم 0.53 كيلومتر/ساعة ونسبة رطوبة 12.13 % بينما كانت أقل كفاءة أداء للكومباين98.0 % عند سرعة تقدم 1.15 كيلومتر/ساعة ونسبة رطوبة 16.73%

بلغت أعلى كفاءة للقطع 94.81% عند سرعة تقدم 0.53 كيلومتر/ساعة ونسبة رطوبة 12.13% بينما كانت أقل كفاءة للقطع92.6 % عند سرعة تقدم 1.15كيلومتر/ساعة ونسبة رطوبة 16.73%

بلغت السعة الحقلية الفعلية للكومباين 0.48 فدان / ساعة عند سرعة تقدم 1.15 كيلومتر/ساعة ونسبة رطوبة 12.13 %. وكذلك بلغت الكفاءة الحقلية للكومباين 78.38 % عند سرعة تقدم 0.53 كيلومتر/ ساعة ونسبة رطوبة 12.13 %.

بلغت أقل قيمة للطاقة المطلوبة للحصاد 311.01 كيلووات . ساعة / فدان عند سرعة تقدم 1.15 كيلومتر/ ساعة ونسبة رطوبة 12.13 %.

بلغت أقل قيمة للتكاليف المطلوبة للحصاد 174.02 جنيها / فدان تحققت عند سرعة تقدم 1.15 كيلومتر/ساعة ونسبة رطوبة 12.13 % بينما كانت أعلى قيمة لتكاليف الحصاد 396.65 جنيها / فدان تحققت عند سرعة تقدم 0.53 كيلومتر/ساعة ونسبة رطوبة 16.73%.

بلغت أقل قيمة للتكاليف الحدية 312.10 جنيها / فدان عند سرعة تقدم 1.15 كيلومتر/ساعة ونسبة رطوبة 12.13 % بينما كانت أعلى قيمة للتكاليف الحدية 494.67 جنيها / فدان تحققت عند سرعة تقدم 0.53 كيلومتر/ساعة ونسبة رطوبة 16.73%.