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## INFLUENCE OF PRODUCTION TECHNOLOGY ON THE HAIRINESS INDEX OF COTTON YARN

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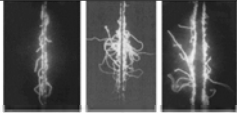



## Hairiness Evaluation



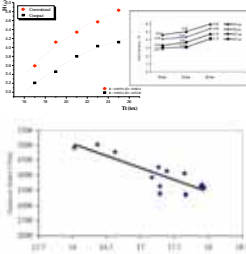
- Yarn hairiness is usually characterized by the amount of free fibres (fibre loops, fibre ends) protruding from the compact body of yarn towards the outer yarn surface.
- The most popular instrument is the **Uster** hairiness system, which characterizes the hairiness by H value, and is defined as the total length of all hairs within one centimeter of yarn.
- The system introduced by **Zweigle**, counts the number of hairs of defined lengths. The S3 gives the number of hairs of 3mm and longer.
- The standard method compress the data into a single value H or S3 (avoiding important spatial information).
- Some laboratory systems dealing with image processing, decomposing the hairiness into two exponential functions

## Facts about Hairiness



Yarn hairiness vs. yarn fineness

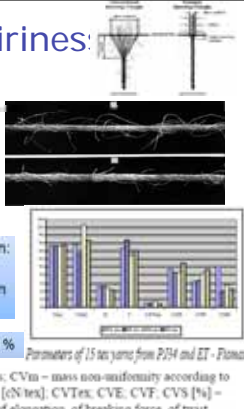
- There exist a high correlation between the **number of protruding ends** and the **number of fibers in the yarn cross-section**.
- Torsion rigidity flexural rigidity, **fiber length** and fiber fineness of the fibers are the most important properties affecting yarn hairiness.
- The number of protruding ends is independent of twist, whereas the **number of loops** decreases when the **yarn twist** increases because of a greater degree of binding between the fibers owing to twist.



## Benefits of Hairiness Reduction


### Ring- Compact Spinning Advantages of Compact yarn

- Hairiness reduction up to 70 %
- Reduction of the sizing agent consumption: 30 - 50 %
- Reduction of the number of warp breaks in weaving: 30-40 %
- Increase abrasion resistance: 60 - 140 %




Parameters of 15 tex yarns from P394 and ET - Flanet  
co - combed, ca - carded, Tex - linear density of yarns, CVm - mass non-uniformity according to Uster [%], E - elongation [%], T - breaking tenacity [cN/tex], CVTex, CVE, CVF, CVS [%] - coefficient of variation of linear density of yarns, of elongation, of breaking force, of twist.

## Outlines

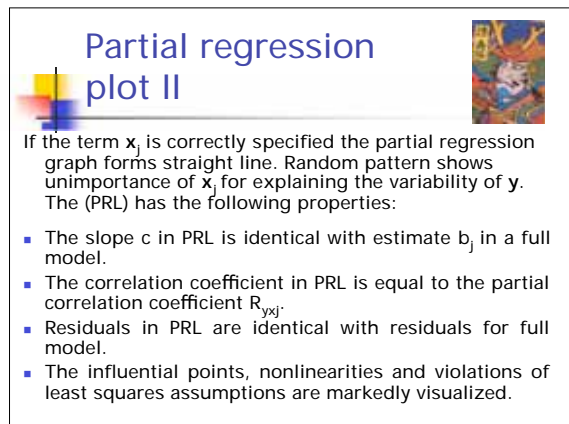
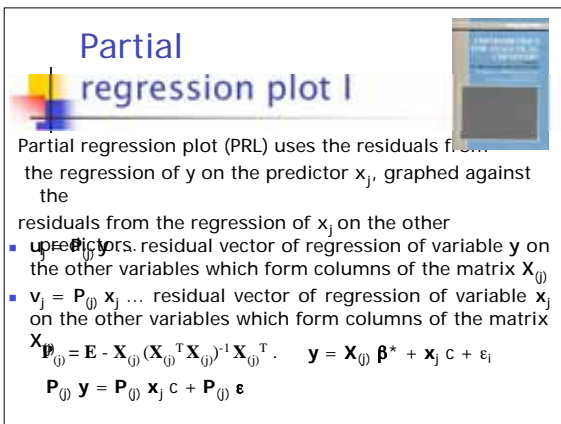
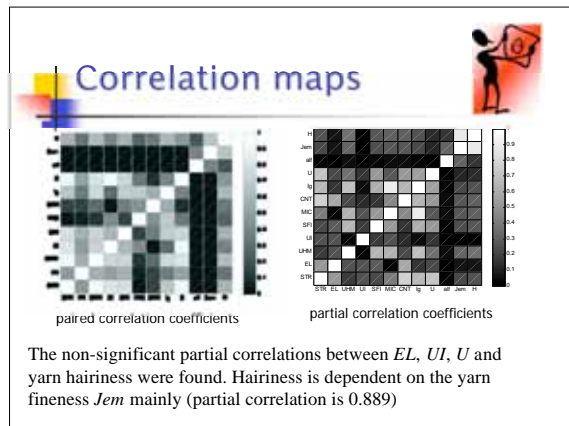
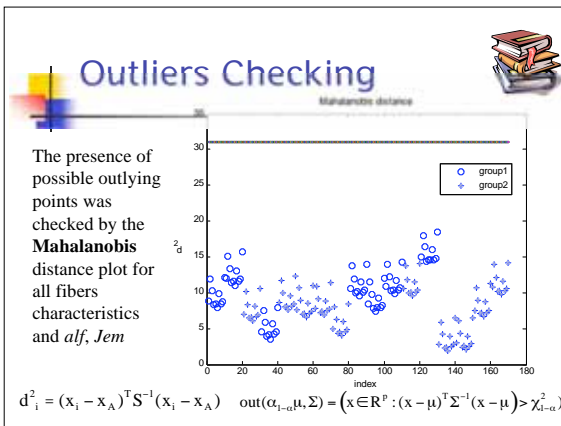
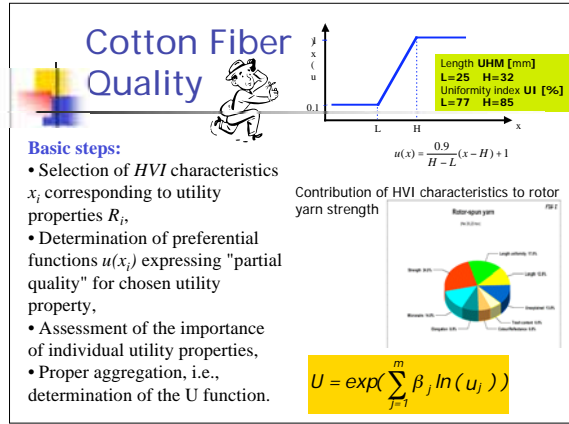
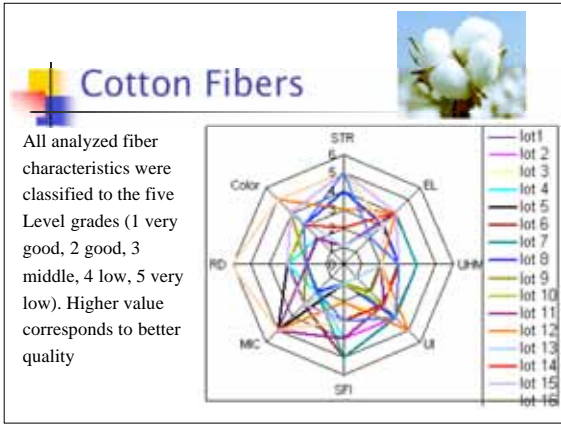


- The main aim of this contribution is prediction of OE cotton yarn hairiness from fiber parameters, and yarn construction parameters.
- Characterization of mutual relations between hairiness index H, cotton fiber parameters (from HVI) yarn fineness and yarn twist by using of correlation map for paired correlation coefficients and for partial correlation coefficients.
- Creation of predictive regression model for hairiness index H based on the nonlinear extension of linear regression (utilization of partial regression plot)

## Experimental Part



- The rotor yarns were prepared under comparable conditions.
- Seventeen kinds of cottons were at disposal and 100% cotton yarns were produced in five levels of yarn count *Jem* (16,5tex, 20tex, 27tex, 37tex, and 50tex) and two levels of Phrix twist coefficient *alf* in respect to the yarn count.
- The HVI system was used for determining different fiber parameters. Fiber length parameters *UHM*, *UI*, *SFI*, fiber bundle strength *STR*, elongation *EL*, trash content *CNT*, reflectance *RD* and color - yellowness + *b* were measured.
- The cumulative hairiness index *H* was measured by Uster Tester 4 under standard conditions.



$$y_p = X b \quad S(b) = \|y - X b\|_2$$

$$b = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y$$



## Predictive models

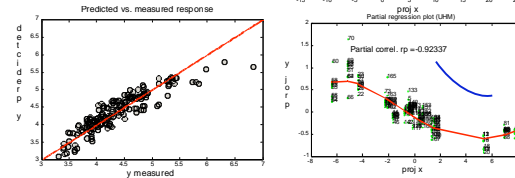
Multiple regression models for yarn hairiness prediction, from yarn parameters (yarn count, yarn twist) and fiber complex criterion ( $U$ ) or fiber length characteristic  $UHM$  were created. The MEP criterion of regression, estimators of regression coefficient  $R$  and multiple prediction correlation coefficient  $R_p$  were evaluated \*)  $Jem^2$  \*\*)  $1/UHM$

$R^2$	$R_p^2$	MEP	Estimator for $Jem$	Estimator for $alfa$	Estimator for $U$	Estimator for $UHM$	Estimator for $abs$
0.83	0.82	0.067	0.0377	-0.0047	0.0216	-0.109	6.63
0.82	0.81	0.068	0.0365	-	-	-0.0981	6.09
<b>0.84</b>	<b>0.84</b>	<b>0.059</b>	<b>0.000553*</b>	-	-	<b>82.9**</b>	<b>0.87</b>

## Linear regression



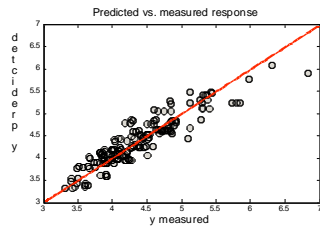
- The hairiness index  $H$  prediction by linear model containing statistically important parameters ( $Jem$ ,  $alfa$ ,  $U$ ,  $UHM$ )



## Non linear extension



$Jem^2$  and  $1/UHM$



$$H = 0.87 + 0.000553 * Jem^2 + 82.9 / UHM$$

## Conclusions



- Yarn hairiness is critically dependent on the yarn fineness ( $Jem$ ) and fibre length characterized by  $UHM$ .
- Coarse fibres have higher hairiness.
- The influence of twist is not so high but in agreement with empirical findings the higher twist leads to the lower hairiness.
- The influence of majority of fibre parameters is not important.

Thank you for your attention

