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ABSTRACT

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Low-temperature in-bin grain drying with supplemental heat results in overdrying at the bottom and underdrying at the top of the bin. To reduce this effect, stirring devices have been introduced. The objective of this thesis is to compare the performance characteristics of a low-temperature stir-drying and natural air drying systems.

The field tests were conducted at Kalchik Farms, Bellaire, Michigan in the fall of 1979 and 1980. The corn was dried to 22-23% moisture in a high temperature dryer before drying to 15-16% in the low-temperature and natural air drying phases. The grain quality and the drying costs were analyzed and compared.

The results indicate that low-temperature stir-drying requires slightly less energy than natural air drying, is a more reliable system, and results in better quality corn. The total drying cost for the stirred low-temperature drying was \$1.45/ton per percentage point moisture removal, compared with \$1.88/ton-point for the natural air system.

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LIST OF SYMBOLS

| | |
|--------|--|
| a | constant |
| A | area, m^2 |
| C | constant |
| C | mass concentration coefficient, kg/m^3 |
| C | specific heat, $kJ/kg-^{\circ}C$ |
| CMM | air flow rate, m^3/min |
| D | diffusion coefficient, cm^2/sec |
| DEL | moisture content by delGuidice thin-layer equation, decimal d.b. |
| DELT | time increment, hr |
| DEPTH | total bed depth, m |
| DFK | drying parameter, $1/hr$ |
| DMISRA | dry matter loss by Misra thin-layer equations, percent |
| DMS | dry matter loss by Sabbah and delGuidice thin-layer equations, percent |
| DRUG | dry matter loss by Rugumayo thin-layer equations, percent |
| EXMC | experimental corn moisture content, decimal d.b. |
| F | mass transfer rate, $kg/cm^2 \text{ sec}$ |
| g | acceleration due to gravity, m/sec^2 |
| G | dry weight, kg/m |
| G | mass flow rate per unit area, $kg/h-m^2$ |
| g_c | gravitational acceleration 9.8 m/sec^2 |
| h_c | convective heat transfer coefficient, $w/(m^2-^{\circ}C)$ |

| | |
|----------|--|
| h_{fg} | latent heat of vaporization of water in a product, kJ/kg |
| h_{xy} | convective coefficient, $W/(m^2 \cdot ^\circ C)$ |
| H | absolute humidity of air, kg/kg |
| HIN | inlet air absolute humidity, kg/kg |
| HR | time, hr |
| i | internal energy, kJ/kg |
| INDPR | number of nodes between prints |
| k | parameter, 1/hr |
| k | thermal conductivity, $W/m \cdot ^\circ C$ |
| K | coupling coefficient |
| K | phenomenological coefficient |
| K | thickness, m |
| K | subscript or superscript |
| K | extinction coefficient, 1/m |
| L | length, m |
| LT-NS | low temperature (electric heat) non-stir in-bin drying |
| LT-ST | low temperature (electric heat) stir in-bin drying |
| m | constant |
| M | moisture content, decimal, d.b. |
| MISRA | moisture content by Misra thin-layer equations, decimal d.b. |
| MPM | meters per minute |
| MR | moisture ratio, decimal |
| NA | natural air in-bin drying |
| NEQ | equation type |
| NLPF | number of layers per meter |
| p | pressure, N/m^2 |
| PS | saturated vapor pressure, Pa |

| | |
|----------------|---|
| PSDB | vapor press, Pa |
| q | heat energy, w/m ² |
| q | heat flow rate kJ/h-m ² |
| Q | heat flow rate kJ/hr |
| r | radius, m |
| rh | air relative humidity, decimal |
| R | radius, m |
| RH | air relative humidity, decimal |
| RUG | moisture content by Rugumayo thin-layer equations, decimal d.b. |
| SAB | moisture content by Sabbah equation, decimal, d.b. |
| SMC | moisture content by Sabbah and delGuidice equations, decimal d.b. |
| t | time, hr |
| t | thickness, m |
| t | temperature, °C |
| t _a | ambient air temperature, °C |
| t _b | bulk temperature, °C |
| t _m | mixed mean fluid temperature, °C |
| t _p | plate temperature, °C |
| T | air temperature, °C |
| TA | ambient air temperature, °K |
| TAIR | drying or rewetting air temperature, °K |
| TBTPR | time between output, hr |
| TEQ | equivalent reference storage time, hr |
| TGRN | grain temperature, °K |
| THIN | inlet or initial grain temperature, °C |
| TIN | inlet or initial air temperature, °C |

| | |
|-----|---|
| TT | total time, hr |
| U | heat loss coefficient, $W/(m^2 \cdot ^\circ C)$ |
| U | fully developed fluid flow rate, m/hr |
| W | weight, kg |
| W | width, m |
| x | distance, m |
| x | x-coordinate |
| XME | equilibrium moisture content, decimal, d.b. |
| XMO | inlet or initial moisture content, decimal d.b. |
| y | y-coordinate |
| y | distance, m |

LIST OF SYMBOLS USED AS SUBSCRIPTS

| | |
|----|--|
| a | air |
| d | downward |
| D | diameter |
| e | equilibrium |
| H | storage array for humidity ratios - kg-H ₂ O/kg dry air |
| H | heat |
| i | inlet |
| L | long |
| L | loss |
| o | initial |
| o | outlet |
| p | product |
| s | surface |
| t | time |
| T | air temperature array |
| T | total |
| u | useful |
| up | upward |
| v | vapor |
| w | water |

Greek Symbols

| | |
|------------|---|
| α | constant |
| ∂ | finite difference |
| δ | constant |
| Δ | difference |
| θ | grain temperature, °C or °K |
| μ | dynamic viscosity, kg/(m-hr) |
| ρ | density, kg/m ³ |
| σ | constant variance of observation errors |
| σ | Stefan-Boltzman constant, $5.67 \times 10^{-8} \text{ W/(m}^2 \text{ } ^\circ\text{K}^4)$ |
| τ | shear stress, N/m ² |
| ν | kinematic viscosity, m ² /hr |
| Φ | diagonal matrix |

1. INTRODUCTION

The United States is the leading corn producer in the world. In 1973 the U.S. produced nearly 50% of the total world corn production (FAO, 1979). In 1979 the U.S. produced 198 mega metric tons of corn for grain (USDA 1980).

The energy consumption on American farms is low compared to other sectors. According to Friedrich (1978) energy use in the United States is as follows:

| | |
|-------------------------|--------|
| On farm food production | 3-4% |
| Entire food production | 12-17% |
| Industrial processes | 37% |
| Transportation | 26% |
| Others | 20-25% |

Thus, compared with energy use in industrial processes and transportation, energy consumption in agriculture is indeed small. However, considering the annual total agricultural energy consumption of 2.65×10^9 mJ (2.5 quadrillion BTU's) energy conservation in agricultural production will result in considerable overall energy savings (Friedrich, 1978).

In its 1976 annual report to the Congress, the U.S. Energy Research and Development Administration (ERDA) pointed to the following facts (Friedrich, 1978):

1. A barrel of oil saved can result in reduced oil imports.
2. It costs less to save a barrel of oil than to produce one through the development of new technology.
3. Energy conservation is beneficial to the environment in comparison to energy produced and used.

4. Capital requirements to increase the energy efficiency are generally lower than the capital needs to produce an equivalent amount of energy from new sources since most new supply technologies are highly capital intensity.
5. Conservation technologies can generally be implemented at a faster rate and with less government involvement in the near term than can new supply technologies.
6. Energy efficiency actions can reduce the pressure of accelerated introduction of new supply technologies. Since the actions persist over time the benefits are continuing.

With an abundant energy supply at reasonable costs, it is still profitable for one U.S. farmer to produce enough food for more than 50 other individuals (CAST, 1977). However, with the continuing fossil fuel supply limitations, rapidly increasing costs and lack of price projections, the profit margin in agricultural production is continuously decreasing. It is therefore, important to consider ways and means of improving production techniques and increasing the energy efficiency on American farms. The Council for Agricultural Science and Technology (CAST, 1977) suggested the following with regard to farm operations:

- reduce energy use for fertilizer application and tillage;
- substitute enterprises that consume less energy;
- invest in alternate technologies that substitute energy inputs and reduce energy use;
- invest in alternative energy sources such as solar, wind and biomass;
- modify farm enterprises to make them more efficient for the natural environmental conditions; and
- cease farming if the adjustments are too difficult.

Artificial corn drying is an energy intensive system. About 60% of the energy required to produce corn on the farm is used for artificial drying (Ag Engr. Dept. MSU, 1974). In spite of the high energy demand for drying, over 80% of the corn produced in the U.S.A. is artificially dried (ASAE 1978). Artificial drying has the following advantages (Brooker et al., 1974):

- artificial drying allows early harvesting which in turn reduces storm and shattering field losses and permits early land preparation for the next crop;
- planning the harvest season to make better use of labor, because harvesting is independent of grain moisture content fluctuations in the field;
- long time storage without deterioration;
- enables farmers to take advantage of higher price a few months after harvest;
- maintenance of grain viability;
- maintains grain quality; and
- allows the use of full season hybrids (longer maturing varieties) that yield more grain per hectare.

Considering the above advantages it is obvious that energy intensive corn drying cannot be avoided without undue loss of corn quantity and quality at the farm level.

The current artificial grain dryers use convection type heaters that burn fossil fuel, usually liquefied petroleum (LP) gas or natural gas. According to Friedrich (1978), high temperature dryers operate at about 50 percent efficiency in utilizing fuel to evaporate the moisture in grains. It takes about 4650 to 8140 kJ of heat to remove one kilogram of water from corn depending on the initial and final moisture content, the amount of

finer in the grain, and weather conditions (Brooker, et al., 1978). It is obvious that the current high temperature grain dryers use too much fuel. There is room for improvement and design of alternative grain drying systems is necessary to reduce energy used for grain drying.

ASAE (1978) listed four possibilities of reducing fossil fuel requirements for grain drying:

1. increased use of high moisture corn storage used to feed animals on or nearby farms where corn is grown;
2. combination systems using the advantage of high speed, high temperature dryers coupled with energy savings of in-storage, low temperature or natural air drying.
3. solar heated drying systems; and
4. incineration of crop residues used as a crop drying energy source.

Energy savings of up to 50 percent using different combination drying systems have been reported by Bakker-Arkema et al. (1978, 1979 and 1980), Kalchik et al. (1979), and Silva (1980).

1.1 Michigan Corn Production and Energy Use

According to the USDA (1980), Michigan ranked ninth in the United States in 1977 and 1978 and eighth in 1979 in the production of grain for corn. Michigan corn accounted for 3.1% of the total United States production in 1977, 2.7% in 1978 and 3.1% in 1979. The shelled corn production in Michigan increased from 2.3 million tons in 1960 to 3.9 million tons in 1975 (Fedewa et al., 1979). During the same period, the energy used for drying increased from 75.2×10^{10} kJ to 329.5×10^{10} kJ (Brooker, 1977). According to the USDA (1980) the Michigan corn production in 1979 was just over 6.03 million tons. Information on corn drying energy for 1979 is not yet

available. If the same trend continues, the energy for drying corn in 1979 was likely to be over 400×10^{10} kJ. The increase in energy consumption is largely due to the shift from ear-corn to a shelled corn harvesting systems, and also due to the net increase in corn production.

As previously stated, more than 60% of the energy required to produce corn on the farm is used for artificial drying in 1977, 74.9% of the Michigan corn was artificially dried in some kind of heated air drying system; over 88 percent of fuel was propane (Fedewa et al., 1978).

1.2 Corn Drying in Michigan

Heated air drying of shelled corn is a common practice in Michigan due to the characteristic weather conditions. According to Fedewa et al. (1975 and 1978), corn drying practices are as shown in Tables 1, 2 and 3.

It has been estimated that at least 60% of the 6.03 million ton Michigan corn crop was artificially dried in 1978 (Bakker-Arkema et al., 1979), primarily in automatic batch dryers between 80° and 110°C , and in-bin batch type drying systems between 43° and 60°C . About 142 kg of water per ton is removed from corn harvested at 26% moisture content and dried to 15.5%. Assuming an average energy efficiency of 7000 kJ/kg of water in conventional on-farm high temperature drying systems, approximately 6×10^{12} kJ or 24.6×10^7 liters of liquid propane were required to dry the 1979 Michigan corn crop; this is equivalent to \$30,061,500 at 1979 prices (11.9¢ per liter of propane).

1.3 Corn Production and Drying Problems in Kenya

Cereal grains, in particular corn (white maize), and legumes constitute the staple food for most Africans, including the Kenyans. Cereals are grown by "small scale" (1-10 hectares) and "large scale" farmers (over 10

Table 1. Drying of corn stored on farms, by selected states.

| State | Dried Naturally in field or in storage | | | | Dried artificially | | | |
|-----------|--|------|------|------|--------------------|------|------|------|
| | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 |
| | Percent | | | | | | | |
| Michigan | 40.2 | 45.3 | - | 25.1 | 59.8 | 54.7 | - | 74.9 |
| Illinois | 21.0 | 33.5 | 13.0 | - | 79.0 | 66.5 | 87.0 | - |
| Indiana | 12.0 | 12.2 | 11.8 | 10.7 | 88.0 | 87.8 | 88.2 | 89.3 |
| Iowa | 37.5 | 30.6 | 29.3 | 29.3 | 62.5 | 69.4 | 70.7 | 70.7 |
| Wisconsin | 39.7 | 45.3 | 44.8 | - | 60.3 | 54.7 | 55.2 | - |

Source: Fedewa et al., 1978.

Table 2. Percentage of corn stored on farms in Michigan by size group.

| Harvested size Group - acres | Dried naturally in field or storage | | Dried artificially | |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------|--------------------|------|
| | 1975 | 1977 | 1975 | 1977 |
| 1 - 49 | 90.5 | 88.8 | 9.5 | 11.2 |
| 50 - 149 | 62.1 | 45.7 | 37.9 | 54.3 |
| 150 - 249 | 36.5 | 17.4 | 63.5 | 82.6 |
| 250 - Over | 6.1 | 7.4 | 93.9 | 92.6 |
| All Farms | 45.3 | 25.1 | 54.7 | 74.9 |

Source: Fedewa et al., 1978.

Table 3. Percentage of shelled corn dried artificially on farms in Michigan in 1974, 1975 and 1977.

| Dryer Type | 1974 | 1975 | 1977 |
|------------------|------|------|------|
| Batch | 28.1 | 37.2 | 40.0 |
| Batch-in-bin | 20.2 | 10.9 | 10.7 |
| Continuous Flow | 45.7 | 10.9 | 40.4 |
| In-storage Layer | 14.3 | 9.2 | 8.4 |
| Other Dryers | 1.7 | 3.2 | 0.5 |

Source: Fedewa et al., 1978.

ha) under different ecological and socio-economic, environmental and technological conditions. Thus, the production problems are many and varied.

Large scale farmers produce corn almost entirely as a cash crop and usually have the equipment and the know-how to handle the crop more efficiently than the small scale farmers. The latter depending on how "small" they are, produce corn for home consumption and for cash if they have a surplus. Some maize is consumed fresh before it matures and the rest is stored for seed and future consumption. Small scale farmers face major problems in drying, cleaning and storage of corn and other grains.

Handling practices vary from place to place within Kenya. Some farmers, especially the subsistent farmers, harvest unhusked corn and suspend it from trees, on poles, over fires in their homes or on special platforms. Others have traditional granaries in which dehusked or unhusked corn is kept for natural drying. The granaries vary in size, accessibility for inspection and removal, and the degree of protection against insects, rodents and the weather. Some maize may be sun-dried (either as ear-corn or shelled grain) by spreading it on mats, ground or flat rocks.

Solar-drying at the homestead is economical, but is risky due to uncertainties about the weather, and labor availability for handling. Therefore, most farmers leave the crop to dry naturally in the field, and harvest when it is sufficiently dry (16 to 18%) for solar drying. This leads to field infestation by insects, birds, and molds. Also, the land preparation for the next crop is delayed. To avoid this delay, some farmers cut the corn stalks and stack them in 2 to 4 meter diameter conical stacks in the field. The stacks are left in the field for up to two months to dry.

The long term storage of corn is undertaken by the Kenya Cereals

Board (a Government agency). The board is charged with drying and storage of cereals for the purpose of price stabilization and for emergency needs (such as occur during a drought). The Board handles 20% of the total Kenyan corn production. The remainder is handled by individual farmers or co-operatives.

The Board buys maize from farmers at a specified quality standard and government set price. Maize that is above 13% moisture content (wet basis), or insect damaged, or contains specified foreign materials, broken or colored kernels, is not acceptable to the Board.

For long term strategic storage (up to 3 years), the Board uses Cyprus bins. Maize is artificially dried to 12% moisture for long term storage. For short term storage maize at 13% moisture is stored in masonry sheds in 90 kg bags.

The Board handles about 500 thousand metric tons annually. According to FAO (1979), the total Kenyan maize (corn) production was 2.6 million tons in 1976; 2.553 million in 1977 and 2.35 million tons in 1978. The annual loss due to insects alone has been estimated at between 5 and 7%. This amounts to a monetary loss of approximately \$16 million annually (Anderson and Pfost, 1978).

Grain storage problems differ in various regions of Kenya. Insect damage is by far the most severe problem. Drying problems are more severe in the surplus producing areas with higher rainfall than in the drier grain-deficient areas. Long-term storage conditions are most favorable at higher altitudes due to lower temperatures and lower relative humidities than in the lower altitudes.

Judging from the available literature on grain drying and storage in Kenya, it appears obvious that storage problems are more severe than dry-

ing problems. However, storage and drying are closely related. Since the most severe insect infestation, plus molding and rotting occurs in the field while natural drying takes place, it is reasonable to postulate that artificial drying can contribute substantially in minimizing the storage problem. It has been observed that insect infestation in the field does not start at high ear moisture contents. Although the exact moisture content at which this occurs has not been documented. It largely depends on the insect species. If the corn can be harvested before infestation, dried quickly before molding and then stored in a well maintained structure (with regular insecticide application), grain can be stored on the farms much longer than appears currently possible.

As stated earlier, most Kenyan corn producers are small scale farmers. As in Michigan (see Table 2) most small farmers dry their crop naturally, either in the field or in some type of a crib. Kenya has no oil nor metallic minerals and has a foreign exchange shortage. It is therefore, necessary to design grain drying systems that are effective, cheap, least energy (fossil fuel) consumptive and made of locally available materials.

In the past the emphasis on grain storage problems in Kenya has been largely entomological. There has been little research effort on grain drying and storage structures; due to a shortage of agricultural engineers in the country. After their study on smallholder grain storage problems in Kenya Anderson and Pfof (1978) recommended that a thorough study should be conducted on grain storage needs in Kenya. They also recommended that personnel be trained in seed science and grain drying and handling technology to alleviate the severe shortage of local personnel qualified to solve the grain drying/storage problems.

The research discussed in this thesis is a part of an effort to study the feasibility of natural air and combination drying systems in Michigan.

The knowledge gained will be used to modify these systems (if necessary) to suit Kenyan conditions.

1.4 Objectives

The overall objective of this study is to compare the performance characteristics of in-bin shelled corn stir-drying with that of in-bin natural air drying. As a part of the combination drying systems, a continuous high temperature crossflow dryer (Kan-Sun model 8-15-10) is used to dry corn from about 33 to 22-23 percent (wet basis), to prepare the corn for in-bin low temperature stir-drying and natural air drying.

The specific objectives are:

- to model stir-drying
- to study the effect of stir-drying on:
 - a. the grain quality and its uniformity
 - b. the moisture content uniformity of the grain in the bin
 - c. the drying time, and
 - d. the energy consumption and the drying cost
- to demonstrate the technical and economic feasibility of in-bin stir-drying in high temperature/low-temperature combination drying.

2. LITERATURE REVIEW

In this study high temperature, high speed drying was combined with low-temperature stir drying. These drying processes affect grain quality in different ways. It is well known that grain and seeds are exceedingly durable but highly perishable if poorly handled. If well harvested, and stored at low moisture content and low temperature grains will retain the original germinability and other desirable qualities for a long period of time. The following literature review was developed to study the need for grain drying, the effect of various drying methods on grain quality, and the development of stirring devices for in-bin deep bed drying.

2.1 Importance of Grain Drying

The importance of grain drying has been discussed by Brooker et al., (1974). Drying facilitates early harvest, thus reducing field losses from storm, insect damage and natural shattering. Field conditions are often better for harvesting early in the season. Early harvest permits early and timely seedbed preparation for the next crop. (This is particularly important in some tropical areas where two or more crops can be raised in one year).

Grain drying permits farmers to plan the harvest season to make better use of labor and machinery since harvesting is not dependent on fluctuations of the moisture content of the grain in the field. Finally, the early harvest enables farmers to take advantage of higher prices early in the harvest season.

The most important advantage of grain drying is that it permits long-

time storage without deterioration in quality. By removing excess moisture from the grain the possibility of natural heating of the grain due to respiration is reduced. Thus grain viability is maintained during storage. Dried grain (at moisture content below 13%) is less prone to insect, mites and fungi damage than wet grain.

2.2 Corn Quality as Affected by Drying Methods

The desirable corn properties are dependent upon the intended use of the corn. In the U.S.A. corn is mainly used as animal feed, with smaller useage as a human food source, seed and industrial starch manufacture. Corn quality is dependent upon several factors: (1) the variety characteristics, (2) the environmental conditions during growth, (3) the time and the harvesting procedure, (4) the drying method, and (5) the storage practice (Brooker et al., 1974). During the drying process corn quality is affected by the grain temperature and the drying rate.

Corn in the U.S.A. is officially graded for quality under the Grain Standards Act. The grades and grade requirements are listed in Table 4. As can be seen from the table, the standard for corn only considers test weight, moisture content, broken and damaged corn, and foreign materials. There are other properties which are of importance to specific corn users that are excluded from the standard: such as millability, viability and susceptibility to breakage.

2.2.1 Effect of Drying on Nutritional Feed Value

The most important quality factor of corn for animal feed is the nutritional value. The effect of drying temperature on the nutritional value of corn for animal feed has received considerable research attention. Hathaway et al. (1952) found that drying corn at temperatures above 60°C

Table 4. Numerical grades and sample grade requirements for yellow, white and mixed corn.

| Grade | Minimum test weight per bushel lb | Maximum Limits | | |
|-------|--|----------------|-----------|--|
| | | Moisture % | BCFM % | Damaged kernels Heat damaged % Total |
| 1 | 56 | 14.0 | 2.0 | 0.1 3.0 |
| 2 | 54 | 15.5 | 3.0 | 0.2 5.0 |
| 3 | 52 | 17.5 | 4.0 | 0.5 7.0 |
| 4 | 49 | 20.0 | 5.0 | 1.0 10.0 |
| 5 | 46 | 23.0 | 7.0 | 3.0 15.0 |

Sample grade shall be corn which does not meet the requirements for any of the grades No. 1 to No. 5, inclusive; or which contains stones; or which is musty, or sour, or heating; or which has any commercially objectionable foreign odor; or which is otherwise of distinctly low quality.

Source: Brooker et al. (1974)

significantly decreased its energy content and palatability. Sullivan et al. (1975) reported that heat has a definite effect on the nutritional value of corn; also, that the decrease in commercial quality due to drying at high temperatures may not result in a decreased value of corn as animal feed.

Jensen et al. (1960) reported that drying temperatures of 60°C, 82.2°C and 104°C have no deleterious effect on the nutritive value of corn for swine as measured by growth rate and feed use. Gansmann et al. (1952) found only minor effects on nicotinic acid, pantothenic acid, pyridoxine, and riboflavin content of corn dried at 43.3°C, 48.8°C and 82.2°C.

Recently, Jensen (1978) showed that roasting corn at 14% and 23% moisture at 27°C and 150°C reduced the availability of lysine. He found that niacin is unaffected by roasting temperature, but pyridoxine (vitamin B6) availability is significantly reduced in 14% moisture corn when it is dried at 160°C.

From the above review it appears that corn drying at temperatures above 60°C results in some minor nutritional changes. However, nutritionists do not agree on the effects of drying temperature on the feed value of corn (Brooker et al., 1974). It is generally recognized that physical and chemical properties such as consistency, energy content, palatability, hardness, color, moisture, vitamins, protein and amino acid profile are affected by drying temperature (Williamson, 1975).

2.2.2 Effect of Drying on Corn Milling Quality

Farmers and elevator operators who dry corn often consider only its feed value. Corn millers are concerned about the increasing volume of artificially dried corn coming into the market (Freeman, 1978; Rutledge, 1978).

High starch yield (millability), maximum yield of selected fractions

and prime product mix, and low fat content are the most important desirable characteristics of corn for milling. Brekke et al. (1973) compared corn dry-milling response to in-bin natural air drying with artificial drying in a small experimental fluidized dryer drying at air temperatures from 32 to 143°C (maximum corn temperatures were 32 to 104°C respectively). They found that the yield of total grits recovered by sieving, aspiration and flotation decreased with increasing drying air temperatures. The fat content of the grits increased with increasing air temperatures. Prime products recovered by rolling and grading followed similar patterns; however, sometimes yields and fat contents were less satisfactory. The results also showed that the cold paste viscosity of selected products increased as corn was dried at elevated temperatures. The corn dried with natural air had the best dry-milling quality. Drying at 60°C yielded corn of acceptable dry-milling quality except for a high percentage of stress cracks.

Freeman (1973) discussed the quality factors affecting the value of corn for wet milling. He indicated that drying at high temperatures causes "case hardening" of proteins. Case-hardened protein affects the millability by impairing separation and purification of starch. The result is starch with a high protein content and reduced viscosity. The drying temperature, drying rate and the initial corn moisture content determine the degree of case hardening. Freeman suggested that high moisture corn for wet milling should be mildly dried at low temperature (up to 5% moisture reduction) before drying in high temperature dryers. High drying temperatures may also destroy some amino acids especially lysine.

According to MacMasters (1959) the difficulties of processing artificially dried corn are so great that some corn wet-millers refuse to purchase corn known or suspected to have been dried at high temperatures.

Matson and Hirata (1962) concluded that since kernel viability is evidently more easily altered by drying conditions than the other properties examined, corn dried to preserve viability should invariably be suited for starch manufacture. The drying temperature should not exceed 71°C.

2.2.3 Drying Corn for Seed

Generally the techniques used to dry seeds do not differ greatly from those used to dry grain for other purposes. However, extra dryer control and management must be taken in order to ensure a high degree of germination (Copeland, 1976). The drying air temperature, the drying rate and the initial moisture content are the most critical factors affecting the germinating quality. Copeland (1976) stated that the higher drying temperature limit varies with the type of seed, but should not exceed 38°C. The highest safe temperature also depends on the initial moisture content. Ulileman and Ullstrup (cited in Hukill, 1954) showed that seed corn can be dried safely at 49°C if the moisture content is less than 25%; for moisture above 25%, 38°C is the upper limit.

An excessive drying rate may cause stress cracks. Over dried seeds are susceptible to mechanical damage, which is detrimental to seed quality (Copeland, 1976).

2.2.4 The Effect of Drying on Corn Commercial Grade

The effects of artificial corn drying on its composition, nutritional value, viability as seed, and industrial processing have been discussed in the previous sections of the literature review. The above factors are not included in the determination of commercial grade. As shown in Table 4 the only factors considered in the grain standard code for corn are: (1) the test weight, (2) the moisture content, (3) the broken corn and damaged corn, and (4) the presence of foreign materials. Artificial drying has

a direct effect on the test weight, the moisture content and on the percentage of heat damaged corn, and has an indirect effect on broken corn. These factors will be reviewed in the following section.

2.2.4.1 Test Weight

The corn test weight is the true density and is influenced by grain shape, grain surface texture, moisture content, type and amount of impurities, size and uniformity, temperature, and other factors that affect the packing characteristics. According to Freeman (1973), test weight may indirectly indicate the wet milling quality of corn. High temperature drying may cause case hardening of proteins and reduce the extent of kernel shrinkage resulting from moisture removal and hence low test weight. Protein damage affects millability by inhibiting separation and purification of the starch.

Hall (1972) studied the effect of drying temperature on test weight of shelled corn. According to his observations, the test weight increases significantly during drying. The increase is due to shrinkage with loss of moisture and decrease of the coefficient of friction on the surface, thus permitting closer packing of the kernels. The test weight increase is less at higher drying temperatures, possibly due to case hardening. Hall observed that the test weight reaches a maximum and declines with further drying. The maximum test weight is reached at 14 to 16% moisture (Brooker et al., 1974).

The amount of test weight increase with drying depends upon: (1) the degree of kernel damage, (2) the initial moisture content, (3) the temperature reached by the grain during the drying process, (4) the final moisture content, and (5) the grain variety. Early harvested, high moisture grain is not exposed to much weathering and shows a higher test weight after

drying than the same grain harvested later at a lower moisture content (Brooker, et al., 1974).

A higher test weight corn is a better quality grain and offers some saving in storage since less storage volume is required to store the same amount of dry matter.

2.2.4.2 Stress Cracks and Broken Corn

Although drying per se does not directly affect the number of broken kernels, it is well known that grain is physically and physiologically damaged when dried at excessively high temperatures. The drying and cooling processes directly affect the degree of stress cracking and thus determine the susceptibility of corn to breakage during subsequent handling.

Thompson and Foster (1963) defined stress cracks as the fissures in the endosperm, or starch inside the kernel, in which the seed coat is not ruptured. Their results which related the drying rate and the amount of expected breakage have been confirmed by various authors. Ross and White (1972) studied the effect of overdrying on stress cracking in white corn. Their results show a general decrease in stress cracking as the white corn dried to lower moisture content, and as drying started at lower moisture contents. These phenomena are difficult to explain. However, there may be some physical and chemical changes during over-drying which make the grain kernel more resistant to cracking during the cooling period. Generally, stress cracking decreases with decreasing drying air temperature. Slow cooling of both the white and yellow corn after drying results in a dramatic reduction in the number of checked kernels, particularly at drying air temperatures above 71°C (160°F).

Gustafson et al. (1978) concluded that the final moisture content for high-temperature drying above 18% does not appear to cause any significant

increase in breakage susceptibility, but the product of heating time and change of moisture content (under 18%) appears to be the best predictor of change in breakage.

Freeman (1973) indicated that broken kernels too large to be removed by screening for wet milling may release starch granules during steeping. Free starch in the steeping water causes fouling of evaporator surfaces during steep water concentration.

2.2.4.3 Other Corn Quality Characteristics Affected by Artificial Drying

In addition to the factors discussed in previous section, artificial drying affects other grain characteristics such as color and taste. Ross and White (1972) concluded that darkening and yellowing of white corn was apparent when it was dried with air at 88°C and 104°C to lower moisture content., and for those started at higher moisture content. Discoloration was only slight for samples dried at 71°C and those started at 25% moisture content dried at 104°C to 14% final moisture. High drying air temperatures and high drying rates are detrimental to grain quality, whatever the intended use of the grain. Low-temperature and natural air drying, if properly managed, may result in better quality grain and reduced drying costs.

2.3 Drying Systems

There are three basic methods of grain drying: high and low-temperature methods, and combination drying. In the U.S.A., high temperature drying has been the primary technique for more than 25 years. This method is fast, but has a very low energy efficiency, a high fossil-fuel consumption, and usually results in a low grain quality. Low-temperature grain drying (energy for the low heat may be obtained from electricity, liquid

propane, solar energy, or any other heat source) is an energy efficient process and usually results in high quality grain, if properly managed. Mold spoilage risk is the main problem encountered in warm and humid areas. Natural drying is a low temperature drying method and takes place when grain is either left standing (or stacked) in the field to dry, or harvested and kept in a crib to dry. The latter method is practiced in the third world tropics and is the most risky since it exposes grain to the weather, insects, rodents, birds, diseases and other destructive elements.

Combination drying processes for drying shelled corn started in the late 1970's (Brooker et al., 1978). In these processes high speed batch or continuous flow drying is combined with low heat or natural air in-bin drying. The high speed, high temperature dryers dry the corn to a moisture range of 18-23%. The corn is then transferred to storage where it is slowly dried to a safe storage moisture content. Combination drying offers a number of advantages, including:

1. increased throughput
2. increased fuel efficiency, and
3. improved product quality (compared to corn dried by high speed, high temperature processes.

Brooker et al. (1978) subdivided the on-the-farm high-and-low temperature drying methods into the following categories:

1. high speed, high temperature batch and continuous dryers;
2. continuous in-bin drying systems;
3. batch-in-bin drying systems with and without stirring;
4. low-heat and no-heat in-bin drying systems with and without stirring; and
5. combination systems, in which high-speed batch or continuous

flow systems are combined with low heat in-bin drying systems.

For the research reported in this thesis items (1) and (4) have been combined. These two grain drying techniques will now be reviewed in detail.

2.3.1 Column Batch Dryers

Column batch dryers are stationary bed dryers, in which the air moves across a stationary grain column (see Figure 1). The dryer is often portable so that it can be moved from location to location when not filled with grain. According to Brooker et al. (1974) column batch dryers have the following characteristics:

1. column thickness is usually from 30.5 cm to 45.7 cm;
2. column batch dryers operate at high air flow rates ($1.42 \text{ m}^3/\text{min}$ to $2.83 \text{ m}^3/\text{min}$);
3. drying air temperatures vary from 82°C to 116°C ;
4. due to the high air flow rate coupled with a narrow column, the moisture gradient across the column is less than with batch in-bin systems; and
5. drying is completed in a 1 to 3 hr period depending on the initial grain moisture content, and the need for cooling.

Column dryers are particularly popular because of their simple construction and operation, and because their initial cost is generally lower than that of continuous flow types (Sutherland, 1975). They are suitable for moderate grain volumes (250 to 650 tons annually) with high initial moisture content. Because the dryer has no storage function, it requires well planned and coordinated handling and storage systems (Brooker et al., 1978).

The fuel consumption and therefore, the operating costs depend on the moisture removal range. The fuel efficiency decreases with decreasing

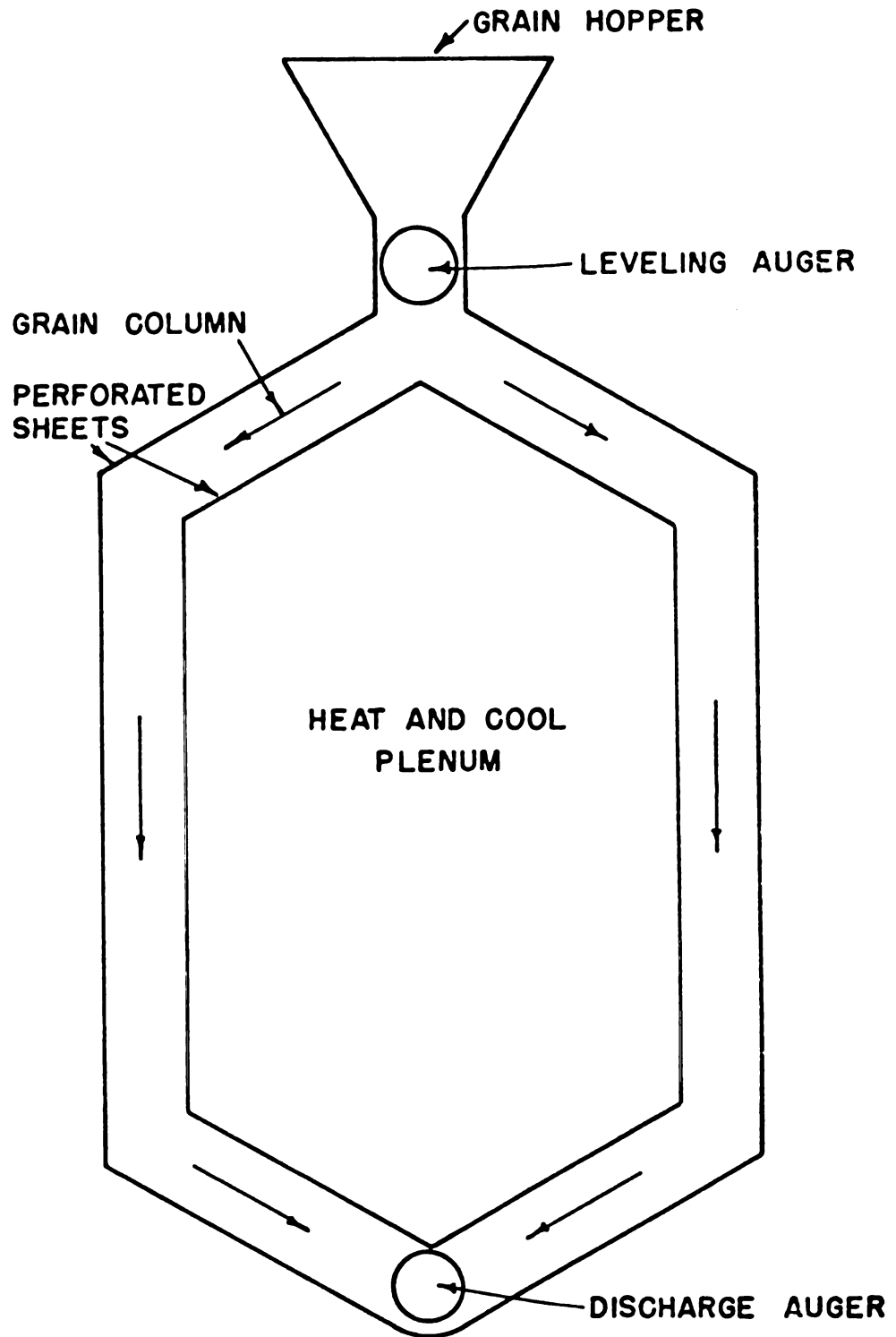


Figure 1. Batch Column Dryer.

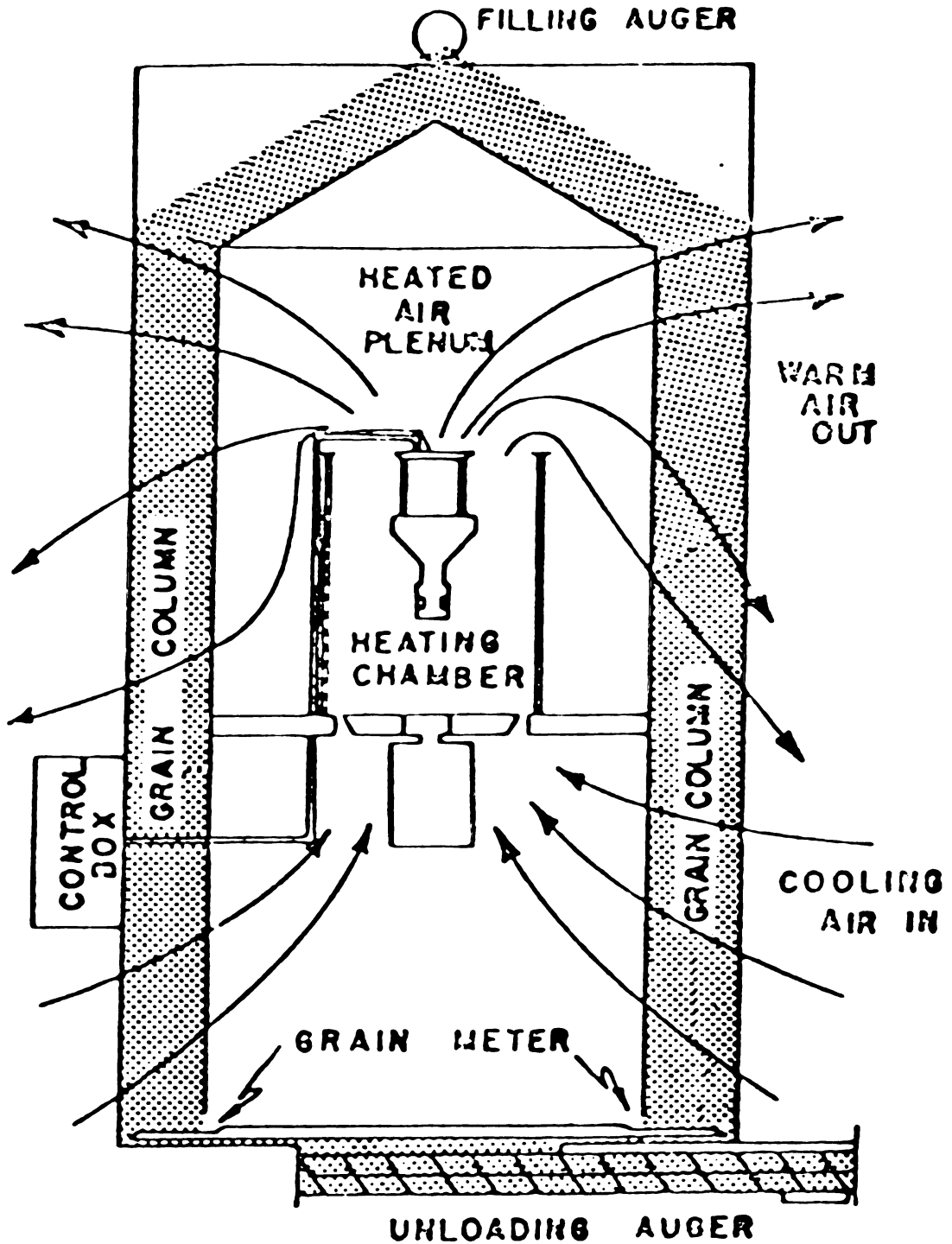


Figure 2. Crossflow dryer with forced air drying and reversed flow cooling (from Brooker et al., 1974).

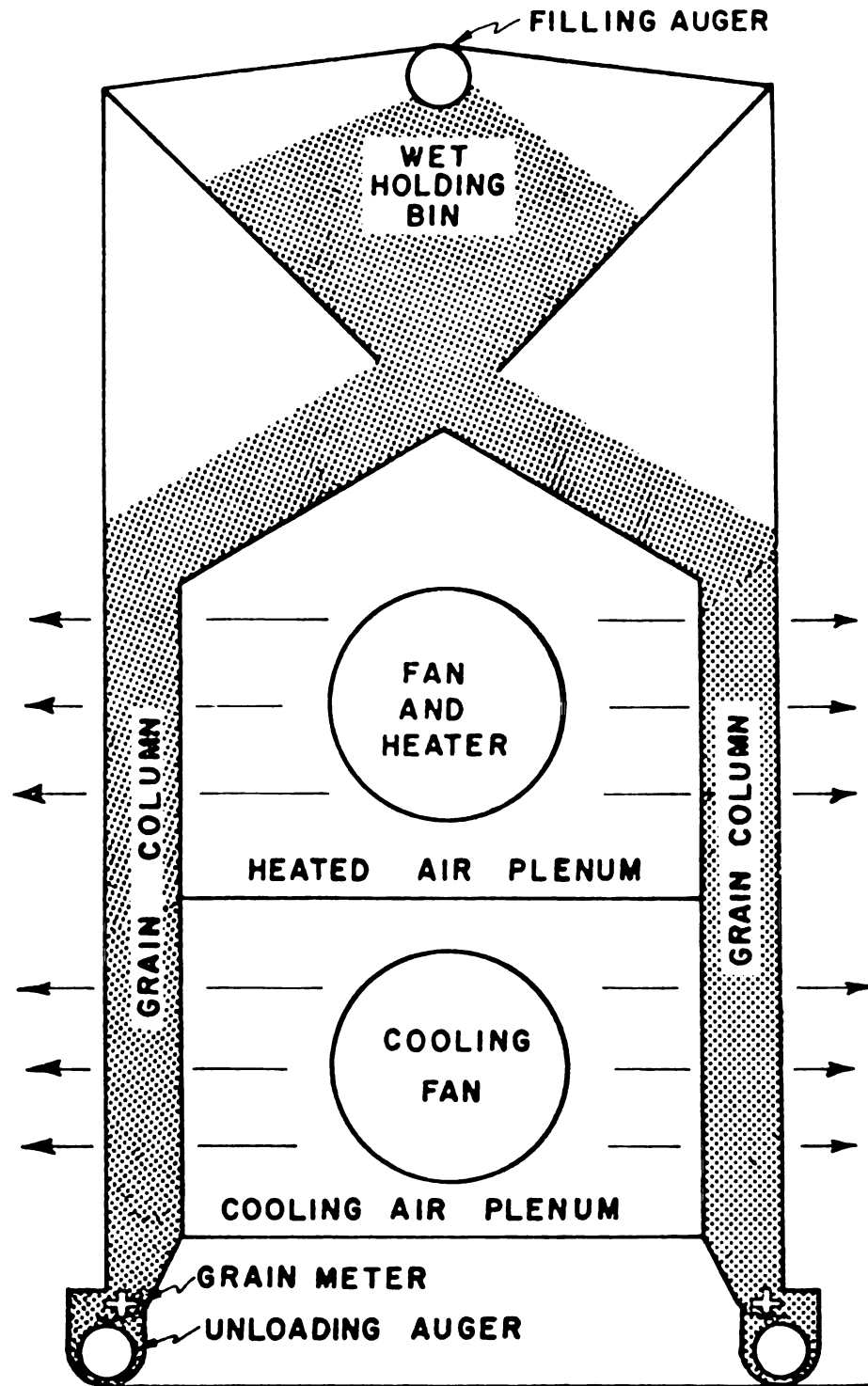


Figure 3. Schematic of a crossflow (continuous flow) grain dryer
(From Brooker et al., 1974).

moisture removal. It takes about 5800 kJ/kg of water removed when the final moisture content is 25% and 6970 to 8140 kJ/kg water when the final moisture content is 15%, at an initial moisture content of about 30%. These fuel efficiencies are important when considering combination drying such as dryeration and low temperature drying when moisture is reduced in a column dryer to 18-20%.

The thicker the grain column is in a column dryer the higher is the fuel efficiency. However, thicker grain columns result in an increase in the moisture content gradient across the column.

Kirk (1959) investigated column thicknesses of 10.2, 20.3, 30.5 and 40.6 cm. He came to the following conclusions:

1. the 20.3, 30.5 and 40.6 cm columns are similar in their drying air requirements;
2. the operating costs are not significantly increased with an increase of static pressure of up to 5.08 cm of water for grain column thicknesses of 20.3, 30.5 and 40.6 cm;
3. in the static pressure range of 0.63 to 5.1 cm of water column, the drying capacity increased linearly with static pressure, there were no significant differences in drying capacity for the drying columns of 20.3, 30.5 and 40.6 cm.

The moisture and grain-temperature gradients across the dryer column and also the dryer operating costs, can be reduced either by decreasing the drying air flow rate at a constant air temperature, or decreasing the drying air temperature at a constant airflow rate (Morey et al., 1976).

2.3.2 High-Speed Continuous Cross-flow Dryers

There are two types of continuous crossflow dryers as shown in Figures 2 and 3. Crossflow dryers have a wet grain holding bin at the top. Grain

flows by gravity from top to bottom through the drying and the cooling columns which are 20 to 45 cm wide. A column thickness of 30.5 cm is most common. Two fans for heated and cooling air, respectively, may be used (Figure 3). An alternative design is shown in Figure 2, where a single fan is used for heated and cooling air.

The drying rate and the final moisture content are mainly dependent upon time, air temperature, airflow rate and the initial moisture content. Moisture is usually controlled by regulating the grain flow rate by a metering auger at the bottom of the dryer, while maintaining a constant air temperature and air flowrate. The auger speed responds to a temperature sensor located in the grain column near the lower edge of the drying section.

The drying characteristics of crossflow dryers are similar to those of column batch dryers. The grain on the plenum side is overdried while that on the air exhaust side is under-dried.

The design shown in Figure 2 permits ambient air to be drawn through the grain in the cooling section; and is thus preheated as it cools the grain. This results in a 10-20% reduction of moisture gradient across the column (Bakker-Arkema et al., 1980). Some designs incorporate a metering device that causes the grain on the plenum side to move faster than the grain on the outside. Thus, the moisture content gradient is reduced.

2.3.3 Low-Temperature and Natural Air In-Bin Storage Drying

In-bin drying systems dry and cool the grain in a storage bin. In most instances the grain is left in the same bin for storage. Natural air and low temperature drying are similar processes (Bakker-Arkema et al., 1978). The difference is that no heat is added in case of the natural air system. Low-temperature drying is accompanied by raising the drying air 3 to 5.5°C

above the ambient temperature by either electric heat, solar energy or other heat source (Zink et al., 1978). Liquid propane and electricity are the most common heat sources for low temperature drying; both require low capital investment. Liquid propane gas is usually not used since it requires interval timers to limit the rate of heat application (Brooker et al., 1978).

The air flow rate required for a drying system depends on the harvest date, harvest moisture, and the location. For natural air drying Brooker et al. (1978) suggested drying air flow rates of 4 m³/min-m³ for corn with moisture content (MC) 24-26%; 3.2 m³/m³-min for 22-24% MC and 2.4 m³/m³-min for 20-22% MC.

Adding heat, even in small amounts increases the drying capacity in a low temperature drying system. The temperature increase also encourages faster mold development. To reduce mold growth the average temperature in the bin should be below 10°C. With addition of low heat, the air flow rate can be limited to 2.4 m³/min-m³ for 24-26% MC grain, 1.6 m³/min-m³ for 22-26% MC, and 0.8 m³/min-m³ for 20-22% MC corn.

Although low-heat and natural air drying are slow, the quality of the finished grain is frequently high due to low application of heat. (Brooker et al., 1978).

The main disadvantage of both the low-heat and natural air in-bin drying is that the grain at the bottom is overdried, while that at the top is underdried. Drying is stopped after the average moisture content in the bin reaches a desired value. Since unloading does not allow thorough mixing and blending to obtain a uniform moisture content, the underdried corn from the top of the bin may deteriorate in storage.

Several improvements have been incorporated in in-bin drying to reduce

the vertical moisture gradient. They include, grain recirculating, removing the bottom layers when fully dried, stirring devices, and drying with alternating heated and unheated air

(Browning et al., 1971), Brooker et al., 1974).

According to Brooker et al. (1978), the fuel efficiency of all deep bin in-storage drying is high (3500 kJ/kg of water, or lower in some cases). Therefore, these systems are usually used in combination with other energy saving systems. However, low-heat and natural air in-bin drying is limited to grain that is below 25% MC.

2.4 Stirred Bin Low Temperature Corn Drying

It is well known that when drying grain by forcing air (heated or natural) through a deep bed, all of the kernels do not dry at the same rate. As the drying air moves through the bed of grain an exchange of moisture from grain to air occurs in a finite depth of grain called the drying zone. The zone moves in the direction of airflow as drying continues.

When the drying zone has completely passed through the grain, the entire mass has been dried to equilibrium with the drying air. When drying with low temperature or natural air, the time required to dry a deep bed of grain (of say over 4 m) may be more than eight weeks, depending on the initial moisture and drying conditions. The grain at the top of the bed may deteriorate by roting due to molds or due to moisture condensation. By the time the grain at the top is dried to the required moisture content, the grain at the bottom will have been overdried, especially if heated air is used for drying. Grain stirring during the drying process is one of the techniques used to rectify the overdrying of the bottom layers and the undesirable vertical moisture gradient resulting from deep bed in-bin grain drying.

Use of stirring devices was initiated in 1960; and became commercially available in 1962 (Frus, 1968; Toms, 1968, and Bern and Charity, 1978).

Stirring device manufacturers claim the following advantages:

(1) increased airflow, (2) loosened grain, (3) reduced vertical gradient moisture content, (4) reduced static pressure, (5) reduced drying time, (6) reduced operating costs, and (7) better grain quality.

Field research on the overall effect of grain stirrers has been limited and the manufacturers' claims have not been entirely substantiated (Williams et al., 1978). The disadvantages of using stirring devices include condensation in the unstirred grain near the bin wall (which results in spoilage), and the extra load placed on the bin wall by the stirring devices which may require strengthening (Brooker et al., 1978).

Stirring devices most commonly consist of one or more 51-mm (2 in.) diameter, right hand, standard-pitch augers suspended from the bin-roof and side wall, and extending to near the bin floor. The augers rotate clockwise (viewed from above) and simultaneously travel horizontally around the bin and radially from near the center to near the bin wall and back. The simultaneous radial and peripheral movement of the stirring device results in a flower leaf pattern, concentric circles or spiral pattern, depending on the relative radial and peripheral velocities (see Figures 4 & 5).

The stirring auger produces small ripples on top of the stirred grain bed. Frus (1968) observed that in previously unstirred corn, the kernels are moving up the front side of the auger and down towards the bottom along the backside of the auger. It appeared that the unstirred corn is providing a "wall" against which the auger moves the corn. The ripples produced by the auger indicate the width of the column of corn that has moved towards the bottom of the bin. Once the auger has stirred essentially all

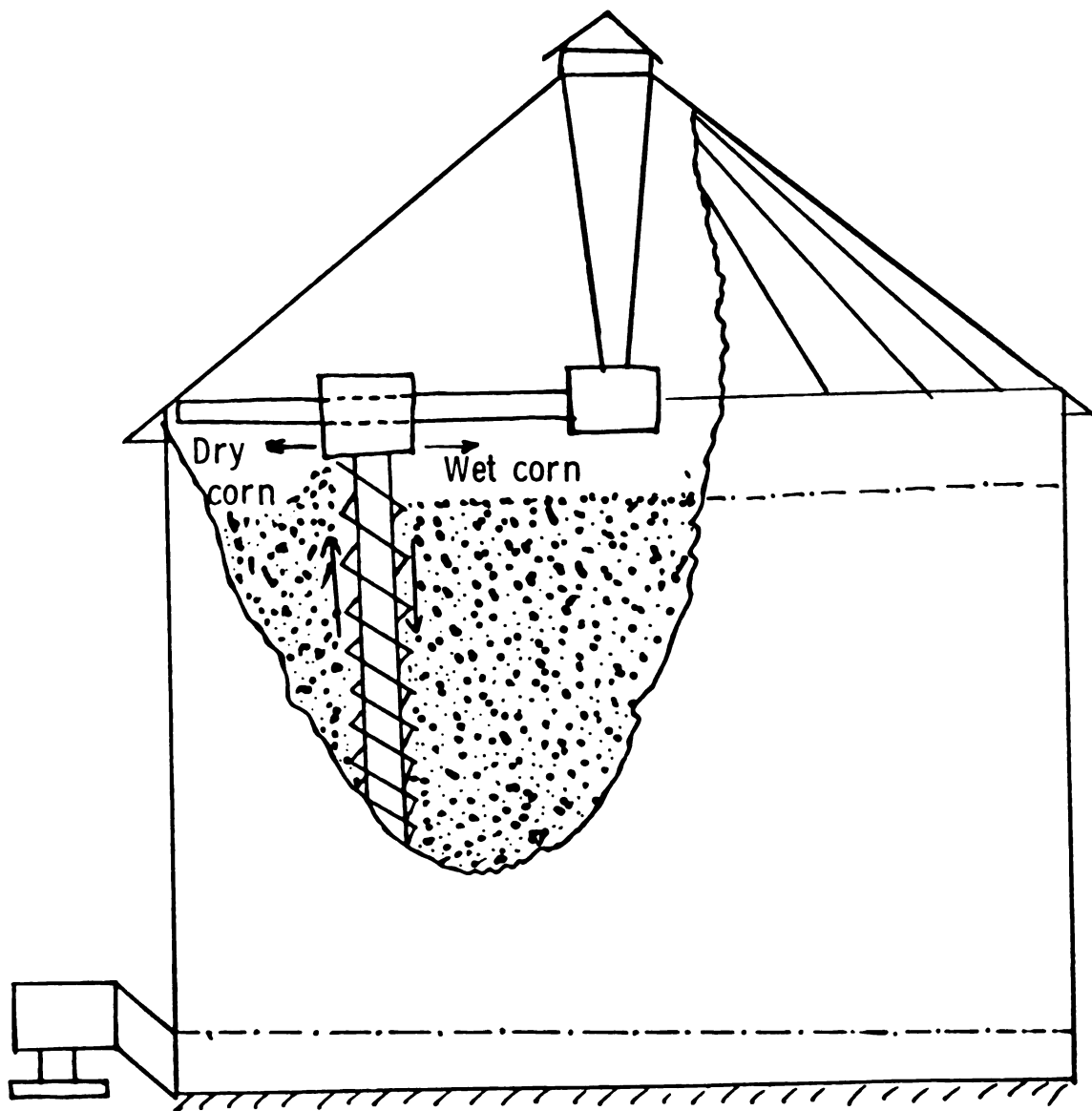
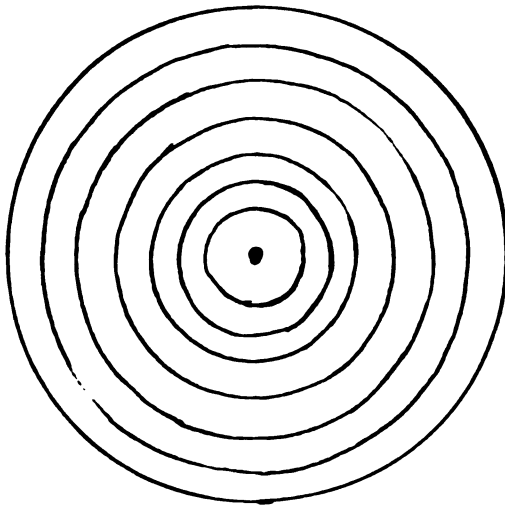
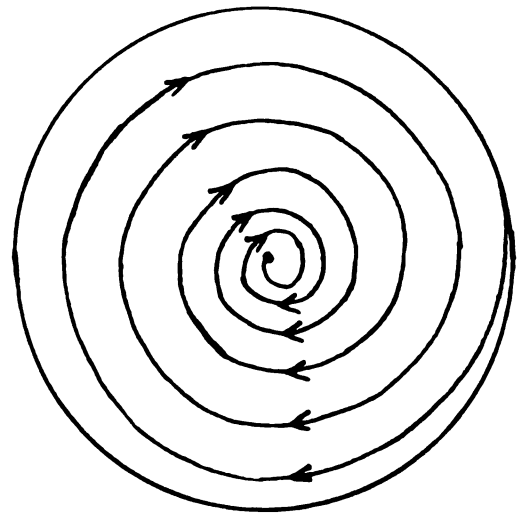


Figure 4. Schematic of grain stirring device (After Brooker et al., 1974).

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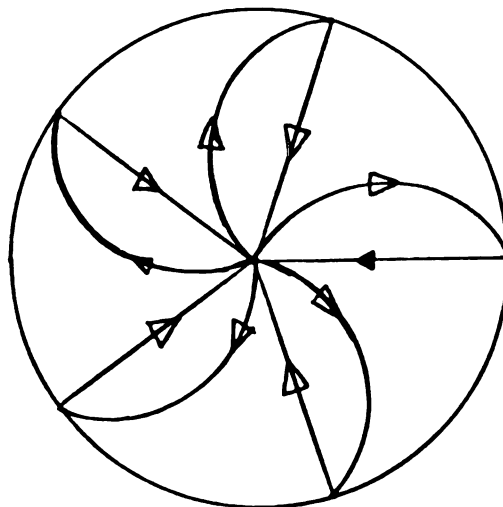


Figure 5. Top view patterns formed by single auger grain stirrer.

of the corn and has started moving through previously stirred corn, the amount of corn being moved up the front side and the amount of corn moving downwards along back side of the auger appeared to be considerably smaller.

A small circular column of grain near the bin wall is never stirred. The thickness of the column depends on how close the auger comes to the wall. It is more difficult to move air through this unstirred corn once part of the bin has been stirred (Frus, 1968).

Bern and Charity (1978) studied the disturbance effects of auger-stirring dry corn (11.3% MC). Their results indicate that the boundaries of the cross-sectional area disturbed by a stirring auger are generally parabolic in shape. The cross-sectional area decreases with increasing horizontal auger travel rate.

2.4.1 Effects of Stirring Management Techniques on Corn Drying

The available literature on stir-drying shows that the following parameters are affected by auger stirring devices: (a) grain bulk density, (b) airflow resistance and thus the airflow rate, (c) the drying time, (d) the degree of overdrying, (e) the MC gradient, (f) the drying efficiency, (g) the grain quality and thus, dry matter loss, and (i) the drying costs. The effect of stirring on the above factors depends on the stirring management, especially with respect to the frequency of stirring, the number of augers, and the auger design with respect to the rpm, the horizontal travel rate, and the auger diameter. The effects also depend on the grain condition (moisture content, foreign material, etc.) and the drying air temperature.

Bern et al. (1979) investigated the effects of auger stirring on air flow resistance and bulk density of wet and dry shelled corn at 22.6% and 14.6% MC, respectively, and drew the following conclusions: (1) auger stirring

decreases in situ bulk density of wet corn by 7.9% and of dry corn by 6.9%, when placed in a bin with a mechanical spreader, (2) auger stirring increases in situ bulk density of dry gravity-placed corn by 2.4%, and 3 left unchanged that of wet gravity-placed corn.

It is reasonable to expect an increase in airflow rate with stirring. Stirring loosens pockets of trash and fines, and decreases the bulk density of corn; thus, a decrease in pressure drop with stirring. It is not possible to specify the increase in airflow rate resulting from a decreased static pressure drop with stirring. The increase is a function of fan size and fan characteristic curve (Williams et al., 1978). Baker et al. (1979) observed an increase in airflow rate of 3% with stirring. Bern (1973) (cited by Williams et al. (1978) developed the following empirical equation for pressure drop in stirred grain:

$$\frac{\Delta P}{L} = (0.0484\rho_b - 0.1274) v^2 + (4.033\rho_b - 10.12) v + 12.91 - 1310\rho_b \quad [2.1]$$

Bern observed a 10% increase in airflow rate after stirring.

The best way to measure the change in airflow with stirring is to measure the pressure drop and use the fan curve to determine the airflow. Alternatively, especially for simulation purposes, the airflow may be determined by an iterative procedure balancing the air velocity and pressure drop, assuming that the fan output and efficiency remain the same before and after stirring.

The effects of stir drying on drying time and drying efficiency has been studied by several researchers. All literature available indicates that intermittent stirring reduces drying time, but also reduces the drying efficiency. Drying efficiency is defined as the ratio of the amount of moisture removed from the dried grain to the amount necessary to saturate

the drying air adiabatically. Continuous stirring reduces the drying rate during relatively poor weather, and reduces the drying efficiency in all conditions as compared with unstirred drying at the same conditions (Baker et al., 1979). According to a simulation study on stir-drying by Colliver et al. (1979), continuous stirring reduces drying time in all cases, but the reduction in drying time is less with relatively unfavorable weather. Their results indicate that stirring once a day required the shortest drying time. They observed no significant differences for other methods (constant stirring and stirring once a week) except stirring once at the beginning of the drying process. They found that stirring once while drying in good weather was just as good as constant stirring, daily stirring and stirring once a week. Williams et al. (1978) concluded that drying time was the same when stirring at 5, 10 and 15-hour intervals.

The most important advantage of stirring is decreasing the overdrying at the bottom layers, thus resulting in a uniform moisture throughout the bin. Overdrying decreases and moisture uniformity increases with stirring frequency. The combined effect of shorter drying time, less overdrying and more uniform moisture content results in decreased mold damage, less dry matter loss and therefore, better corn quality (Baker et al., 1979; Colliver et al., 1979; Frus, 1968; and Williams et al., 1979). Moreover, the combined reduced drying time and decreased overdrying results in less energy consumption and therefore, reduced drying costs, (Baker et al., 1979).

Williams et al. (1978) concluded the following about the stir drying of corn:

- (1) a stirring device allows drying at less than favorable drying conditions such as lower airflow rates, higher drying tempera-

ture and greater bed depths (compared to unstirred drying) without spoilage;

- (2) the additional costs for a stirring device cannot be justified based on the same equal fill depths or equal weight of grain in unstirred bin; and
- (3) the use of a stirring device allows a greater bed depth with per bushel costs equal to unstirred bin at a lower grain depth. The additional stirring device cost can be justified in this situation.

The above literature review shows that stirring devices are beneficial for in-bin grain drying. Intermittent stirring has been shown to perform better and costs less to operate than continuous stirring. According to Baker et al. (1979) intermittent stirring (24 hours per week) results in a higher degree of mixing and higher drying efficiency than continuous stirring. Frus (1968) attempted to explain these phenomena by observing that once stirred, there was less upward and downward movement of kernels during subsequent stirring. The optimum stirring frequency depends on the drying air and grain conditions and thus varies from bin to bin and from year to year.

2.5 Low-Temperature and Natural-Air In-Bin Drying Theory and Simulation

Much research has been done to study the processes by which water is removed from biological materials. The drying process consists of simultaneous heat and moisture transfer. Henderson and Perry (1966) and Brooker et al. (1974) described the constant rate of drying during the initial drying period followed by a falling-rate drying period. The constant-rate period for extremely moist single kernel drying can be expressed by (Brooker et al., 1974):

$$\frac{dM}{dt} = \frac{h_d A}{R_v T_{abs}} (P_{vwb} - P_{v\infty}) = \frac{h_d A}{h_{fg}} (T_{\infty} - T_{wb}) \quad [2.2]$$

Prediction of the drying rate during the falling-rate period is more complicated than during the constant-rate period. Semi-theoretical and empirical relationships for predicting behavior of cereal grains during the falling-rate period have been proposed and used by several researchers and dryer designers.

Brooker et al. (1974) indicated six possible modes of moisture removal from cereal grains: (a) liquid movement due to surface forces (capillary flow); (b) liquid movement due to moisture concentration differences (liquid diffusion); (c) liquid movement due to diffusion of moisture on the pore surfaces (surface diffusion); (d) vapor movement due to moisture concentration differences (vapor diffusion); (e) vapor movement due to temperature differences (thermal diffusion); and (f) water and vapor movement due to total pressure differences (hydrodynamic flow). The exact manner in which water leaves the grain is dependent upon drying air temperature, air velocity, moisture concentration, and product type and condition (Stevens et al., 1978).

Based on the above modes of moisture removal, Luikov (1956) and his co-workers in the Soviet Union developed the following systems of differential equations for describing the drying of capillary porous products:

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial t} = \nabla^2 K_{11} M + \nabla^2 K_{12} \theta + \nabla^2 K_{13} P$$

$$\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial t} = \nabla^2 K_{21} M + \nabla^2 K_{22} \theta + \nabla^2 K_{23} P$$

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial t} = \nabla^2 K_{31} M + \nabla^2 K_{32} \theta + \nabla^2 K_{33} P \quad [2.3]$$

where K_{11} , K_{22} , and K_{33} are phenomenological coefficients. The other K values are coupling coefficients. Luikov's equations can be simplified by neglecting the pressure and temperature gradients in a corn kernel during the drying and rewetting processes. This results in:

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial t} = \nabla^2 K_{11} M \quad [2.4]$$

The transfer coefficient K_{11} is called the diffusion coefficient, D . If D is constant, equation [2.4] reduces to:

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2 M}{\partial r^2} + \frac{c}{r} \frac{\partial M}{\partial r} \quad [2.5]$$

where c is zero for planar symmetry, 1 for a cylindrical body, and 2 for a sphere. In solving equation [2.5], the following boundary conditions are often assumed:

$$M_{(r,0)} = M_0 \quad [2.6]$$

$$M_{(r_0, t)} = M_e \quad [2.7]$$

The analytical solution of equation [2.5] for the average moisture content of various regularly shaped bodies can be obtained directly by integration (Crank, 1957). For an infinite plane with boundary conditions [2.6] and [2.7], the solution is:

$$MR = \frac{8}{\pi^2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n+1)^2} \exp \left[- \frac{(2n+1)^2 \pi^2}{9} x^2 \right] \quad [2.8]$$

for a sphere:

$$MR = \frac{6}{\pi^2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \exp \left[- \frac{n^2 \pi^2}{9} x^2 \right] \quad [2.9]$$

and for a finite cylinder:

$$MR = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{\lambda_n^2} \exp - \frac{\lambda_n^2 x^2}{4} \quad [2.10]$$

where

λ_n are the roots of the Bessel function of zero order (Perry et al., 1963).

In the above equations the average moisture content and the time are expressed as dimensionless quantities, MR and x, respectively;

$$MR = \frac{M - M_e}{M_o - M_e} \quad [2.11]$$

$$X = \frac{A}{V} (Dt)^{1/2} \quad [2.12]$$

where A represents the surface area and N the volume of the body. For a plane, A/V equals half-thickness; for a sphere A/V equals (radius)/3; for a cylinder A/V equals (radius)/2. Chu and Hustralid (1968) concluded that the equations [2.8] through [2.12] describe the drying rate of a solid satisfactorily in the moisture ratio, (MR) range of ≥ 0.4 .

Chu and Hustralid (1968) studied diffusion of moisture in corn kernels assuming that the kernel could be represented by a sphere of equivalent radius R. The specific conditions were as follows:

- (1) relative humidity 10-70%
- (2) air temperature 49°C - 71°C
- (3) corn moisture content 5 - 35% (dry basis).

For a moisture content dependent diffusivity, the following equation was recommended:

$$\frac{M - M_e}{M_o^* - M_e} = \frac{6}{\Pi^2} \exp \left[- \frac{\Pi^2}{R^2} D t \right] \quad [2.13]$$

where

$$D = 1.513 \exp (0.045 T_{\text{abs}} - 5.485) M - \frac{2513}{T_{\text{abs}}} \quad [2.14]$$

$$M_{\text{O}}^* = 1.0655 M_{\text{O}} - 0.0108 \quad [2.15]$$

$$R = \frac{3L W K}{2(LW+WK+LK)} \quad [2.16]$$

where T_{abs} is the absolute temperature °K, and L, W, K are the length, width, and thickness of the average kernel respectively. All the above equations work satisfactorily under the test conditions. However, for drying temperatures such as encountered in low temperature and natural air drying, several of coefficients of Chu and Hustrulid have been changed for use under low-temperature conditions (Rugumayo, 1979).

2.5.1 Thin-Layer Drying Equations for Corn

Thompson et al. (1968) developed an empirical thin layer drying equation for corn in the range of 60 to 150°C:

$$t = A \ln MR + B (\ln MR)^2 \quad [2.17]$$

$$\text{where: } A = 0.004880 - 1.86178 \quad [2.18]$$

$$B = 427.3640 \exp (-0.0330) \quad [2.19]$$

The most commonly used thin layer equations are modified versions of the Thompson equation (Brooker et al., 1974; Pfoest et al., 1976). The equations have not proved to be totally satisfactory (Rugumayo, 1979).

Flood et al (1969), Troeger and Hukill (1970), Muh (1974), and Misra (1978), developed empirical drying equations for corn in the temperature ranges of (a) 2.2°C to 21.1°C, (b) 32 to 71°C and 27 to 104°C, respectively.

Flood et al. (1969):

$$MR = \exp(-kt^{0.664}) \quad [2.20]$$

where

$$MR = \frac{M - M_e}{M_o - M_e}$$

$$k = \exp(-xt^y)$$

$$x = (6.0142 + 1.453 \times 10^{-4} (rh)^2)^{0.5}$$

$$(1.8\theta + 32) (3.352 \times 10^{-4} + 3 \times 10^{-8} (rh)^2)^{0.5}$$

$$y = 0.1245 - 2.197 \times 10^{-3} (rh) - (1.8\theta + 32)$$

$$(2.3 \times 10^{-5} (rh) + 5.8 \times 10^{-5})$$

Troeger and Hukill (1970):

$$\frac{t}{60} = P_1 (M - M_e)^{q_1} - P_1 (M_o - M_e)^{q_1} \text{ for } M_o \geq M \geq M_x$$

$$\frac{t}{60} = P_2 (M - M_e)^{q_2} - P_2 (M_x - M_e)^{q_2} + t_{x_1} \text{ for } M_{x_1} > M \geq M_{x_2}$$

$$\frac{t}{60} = P_2 (M - M_e)^{q_3} - P_3 (M_x - M_e)^{q_3} + t_{x_2} \text{ for } M_{x_2} > M \geq M_e \quad [2.21]$$

where

$$M_{x_1} = 0.40 (M_o - M_e) + M_e$$

$$M_{x_2} = 0.12 (M_o - M_e) + M_e$$

$$t_{x_1} = [P_1 (M_{x_1} - M_e)^{q_1} - P_1 (M_o - M_e)^{q_1}] / 60$$

$$t_{x_1} = [P_2 (M_{x_2} - M_e)^{q_2} - P_2 (M_{x_1} - M_e)^{q_2}] / 60 + t_{x_1}$$

$$P_1 = \exp(-2.45 - 6.42 M_O^{1.25} - 3.15 (rh) + 9.62 M_O (rh)^{0.5}$$

$$+ 0.0540 - 0.036 Va + 0.96$$

$$P_2 = \exp[2.82 + 7.49 (rh + 0.01)^{0.67} - 0.03220 - 0.5728$$

$$P_3 = [0.12 (M_O - M_e)]^{(q_1 - q_3)} (P_2 q_2 / q_3)$$

$$q_1 = -3.468 + 2.87 M_O - [0.019 / (rh + 0.015)] + 0.02880$$

$$q_2 = -\exp(0.81 - 3.11 rh)$$

$$q_3 = -1.0$$

Muh (1974):

$$t = A \ln MR + B (\ln MR)^2 \quad [2.22]$$

where

$$A = -3.287 - 0.1044\theta \quad (37.7^\circ\text{C} < \theta \leq 60^\circ\text{C})$$

$$B = -3.34114 + 0.1286\theta \quad (37.7^\circ\text{C} < \theta \leq 60^\circ\text{C})$$

$$A = -8.2075 + 0.07983\theta \quad (60^\circ\text{C} < \theta \leq 82.2^\circ\text{C})$$

$$B = 0.44881 - 0.00417\theta \quad (60^\circ\text{C} < \theta \leq 82.2^\circ\text{C})$$

$$A = -4.69252 + 0.03706\theta \quad (82.2^\circ\text{C} < \theta \leq 104.0^\circ\text{C})$$

$$B = -7.75868 + 0.02315\theta \quad (82.2^\circ\text{C} < \theta \leq 104.0^\circ\text{C})$$

The following is the Misra (1978)

$$M = (M_O - M_e) \exp[-(\exp(-7.1735 + 1.2793 \ln(1.8T + 32) + 0.0061v)) t(0.0811 \ln(rh) + 0.0078 M_O)] + M_e \quad [2.23]$$

where

T is drying air temperature, °C

v is air flow rate in meters, per minute

rh is air relative humidity, decimal

t is time in hours.

Only the Flood equation (also called Sabbah equation) and possibly the Muh equations, would appear of interest for use for low-temperature and natural air corn drying. These equations are empirical. Rugumayo (1979) developed an equation from mathematical diffusion theory similar to the model presented by Chu and Hustrulid (1968):

$$M_t = (M_o - M_e) \exp[(25.592 - 38.6298 M_{t-1} + 26.6824 \ln (M_{t-1}) - 0.00440_t (M_{t-1}) \exp(rh_t)^2 t] + M_e \quad [2.24]$$

The moisture content predicted by equation [2.24] was compared with the Flood equation [2.20] and the Misra (1978) equation. When compared with actual experimental data the Rugumayo equation gave better results than either Flood or Misra equations (Rugumayo, 1979).

2.5.2 Corn Moisture Adsorption

Natural air grain drying is risky due to changing weather conditions. Grain may be rewetted by high humidity air at night or rainy days. Therefore it is necessary to account for grain moisture adsorption for proper evaluation of in-bin low temperature and natural air drying. Understanding of the adsorption kinetics provides useful information in grain quality and a guide for grain conditioning, storing, processing and fumigating. In grain rewetting studies, del Guidice (1959) developed the following empirical equation for rewetting of corn:

$$MR = \exp[-4.309 (PS)^{0.466} (rh) (rh)^3 \Delta t] \quad [2.25]$$

where

$$MR = \frac{M_t - M_e}{M_{t-1} - M_e}$$

The equation was tested at 15.6° C to 40.6° C dry bulb temperatures, 60% to 100% relative humidity, and air velocities of 3 mpm and 12.2 mpm. The del Guidice equation does not perform satisfactorily at air conditions outside these ranges (Rugumayo, 1979). The following equation for grain rewetting relationship was developed by Rugumayo:

$$M_t = (M_o - M_e) \exp[(162.1179 - 487.9552 M_{t-1} + 118.6144 \ln (M_{t-1}) + 0.69658 \theta_t (M_{t-1})^2 \exp (rh_t^2) t)] + M_e \quad [2.26]$$

The equilibrium moisture content (M_e) in the above equation must be calculated from the DeBoer's equilibrium moisture content equations for shelled corn (Bakker-Arkema et al., 1974).

2.5.3 In-bin Low-temperature Drying

Low-temperature and natural air drying simulation models have been proposed by several authors (Flood et al., 1969; del Guidice, 1959; Thompson, 1968; and Bakker-Arkema et al., 1977).

Brooker et al. (1974) analyzed in-bin drying by making energy and mass balances on a differential volume (Sdx) located at an arbitrary location in the stationary bed. The following set of three differential equations was obtained assuming the air and grain temperatures are equal:

- (a) for the enthalpy of air and product

$$\rho_p (C_p + MC_w) \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + G_a [(C_a + HC_v) \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + G_a (C_w - C_v) (100 - T) + h_{fg}] \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} = 0 \quad [2.27]$$

(b) for the humidity of the air

$$\rho_p \frac{\partial M}{\partial t} + G_a \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} = 0 \quad [2.28]$$

and

(c) for the moisture content

$$\rho_p \frac{\partial M}{\partial t} = \text{an appropriate kin layer equation.} \quad [2.29]$$

Equations [2.26] through [2.29] are the basic equations for simulating fixed bed grain drying. The equations can be solved with the help of a digital computer by writing the equations in a finite difference form. Four possible finite difference methods for computing the numerical derivatives in the model are discussed by Bakker-Arkema et al. (1977).

When equations [2.27] through [2.29] are written in implicit finite difference form the following equations are obtained:

$$\rho_p (C_p + C_w M_{x,t} - \Delta t) \left[\frac{T_{x,t} - T_{x,t-\Delta t}}{\Delta t} \right] + G_a [C_a + C_v H_{x-\Delta x,t}] \left[\frac{T_{x,t} - T_{x-\Delta x,t}}{\Delta x} \right] = G_a \left[\frac{H_{x,t} - H_{x-\Delta x,t}}{\Delta x} \right] [(C_w - C_v) (T_{x,t} - 100) - h_{fg}] \quad [2.30]$$

$$\rho_p \left[\frac{M_{x,t} - M_{x,t-\Delta t}}{\Delta t} \right] + G_a \left[\frac{H_{x,t} - H_{x-\Delta x,t}}{\Delta x} \right] = 0 \quad [2.31]$$

$$\rho_p \left[\frac{M_{x,t} - M_{x,t-\Delta t}}{\Delta t} \right] = r_m [T_{x,t}, H_{x,t}, M_{x,t-\Delta t}, t] \quad [2.32]$$

Equations [2.30] through [2.32] can be rearranged to obtain three equations which are explicit functions of $H_{x,t}$:

$$T_{x,t} = \frac{G_a \Delta t (C_a + C_v H_{x-\Delta x,t}) T_{x-\Delta x,t} - \Delta t G_a (H_{x,t} - H_{x-\Delta x,t}) (C_w - C_v) + \rho_p \Delta x (C_w M_{x,t} - \Delta t) T_{x-\Delta x,t}}{-G_a \Delta t (H_{x,t} - H_{x-\Delta x,t}) (C_w - C_v) + \rho_p \Delta x (C_p + C_w M_{x,t} - \Delta t) + G_a \Delta t (C_a + C_v H_{x-\Delta x,t})} \quad [2.33]$$

$$M_{x,t} = \frac{G_a \Delta t}{\rho_p \Delta x} (H_{x,t} - H_{x-\Delta x,t}) + M_{x,t-\Delta t} \quad [2.34]$$

$$M_{x,t}^* = r_m (T_{x,t}, H_{x,t}, M_{x,t-\Delta t}, t) \quad [2.35]$$

The moisture content $M_{x,t}^*$ in equation [2.35] can be obtained using either a drying or rewetting thin-layer equation.

The complexity of the psychrometric conditions in the drying or rewetting equation call for use of a search for the value of $H_{x,t}$ which gives agreement in all the three equations simultaneously (Bakker-Arkema et al., 1977). The search algorithm developed by Bakker-Arkema et al. (1977) is outlined below:

- (1) Set initial $H_{x,t} = H_{x-\Delta x,t}$;
- (2) Calculate $T_{x,t}$ from equation [2.33];
- (3) If $RH_{x,t} < 100\%$ go to step (5);
- (4) Simulate condensation to find $T_{x,t}$; set flag;
- (5) Calculate $M_{x,t}$ from [2.34];

- (6) If condensation flag is set, exit;
- (7) Calculate $M_{x,t}^*$ from equation [2.35].

The search terminates when H has reached a specified value of absolute humidity. The corresponding value of T and M are then computed from equations [2.33] and [2.34] respectively.

The fixed bed equations are first evaluated at each node through the depth of the dryer and then are incremented one time step. At the end of each depth iteration, the average moisture content and dry matter decomposition are computed.

The equations for dry matter decomposition have been developed by Thompson (1972) and are based on the work by Steele et al. (1969), who developed a quantitative relation between the carbon dioxide production of shelled corn (dry matter loss due to grain respiration and mold growth) and time, temperature, moisture content and mechanical damage. The dry matter decomposition equation is:

$$DM = 0.0883 (\exp(0.006 \text{ TEQ}) - 1) + 0.00102 \text{ TEQ} \quad [2.36]$$

$$\text{TEQ} = \Delta t / AM_m \cdot AM_T \quad [2.37]$$

$$AM_m = 0.103 [\exp(455/M_{DB} \cdot 1.53) - 0.0084 M_{DB} + 1.558] \quad [2.38]$$

for $13 \leq M \leq 35$

$$MT' = 32.3 / \exp(0.1044\theta + 1.856)$$

$$AM_T = MT' \quad [2.39]$$

for $\theta \leq 15.5^\circ \text{ C}$ or $M < 19\%$

$$AM_T = MT' + [(M-19)/100] \exp(0.0183\theta - 0.2847)$$

$$\text{for } \theta > 15.5^\circ \text{ C and } 19 < M \leq 28\% \quad [2.40]$$

$$AM_T = MT' + 0.09 \exp(0.0183\theta - 0.2847)$$

$$\text{for } \theta > 15.5^\circ \text{ C and } M > 28\% \quad [2.41]$$

According to Saul (1970):

$$AM_T = 128.76 \exp(-0.1404\theta - 2.496) \quad [2.42]$$

$$\text{for } \theta \leq 15.5^\circ \text{ C.}$$

where:

AM_T , AM_T are dimensionless multipliers for moisture content and

temperature respectively

TEQ is the equivalent reference time, hr

Δt is the drying time interval, hr

2.6 Low Temperature, In-bin Stir Drying Theory and Simulation

A fixed bed grain drying model developed at Michigan State University (Bakker-Arkema et al., 1974; Rugumayo, 1979) was modified to simulate stir drying. The model uses equations [2.24], [2.26] and the DeBoer's equation (Bakker-Arkema et al., 1974) for drying rewetting and equilibrium moisture content, respectively. The model operates in accordance with the search algorithm developed by Bakker-Arkema et al. (1977) and outlined in section 2.7.2.

The following assumptions were made:

1. Stirring is instantaneous and there is no vertical moisture content gradient; all corn and air properties (within the grain) are equal to average conditions prior to stirring.
2. Due to the low drying air temperatures, the corn is assumed to be of the same temperature as the air.
3. The increase in air flow rate after stirring is negligible.

To study the effect of stirring on drying time and dry matter loss, the actual East Lansing (at the Department of Agricultural Engineering, Michigan State University) hourly weather data for November 1976 was used for simulating different stirring methods for the following conditions:

- bin diameter 1.6 m, height 2.13 m
- fill depth, 1.83 m (grain volume 1.13 m^3)
- air flow rate $2.85 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}^2$ and $5.7 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}^2$

- temperature range 5.6-24.5° C
- relative humidity range 17 to 70%

The results of this simulated study indicated that periodic stirring results in shorter drying time and higher grain quality (as indicated by less dry matter loss) than continuous stirring if poor drying weather conditions prevail; in favorable weather conditions continuous stirring does not perform any better than intermittent stirring (see Table 5). Similar results have been reported by other researchers (Baker et al., 1979; Colliver et al., 1979; Williams et al., 1978; and Bern et al., 1979).

Frus (1968) observed little mixing of previously stirred corn. Baker et al. (1979) concluded that continuous stirring reduces drying efficiency and drying rate, and therefore the amount of water removed per given time. The optimum frequency of stirring depended on drying conditions such as drying air temperature and relative humidity and corn moisture content and percentage of fine and foreign materials.

Table 5. Effect of stirring management on drying time and dry matter loss (airflow rate $5.7 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}^2$).

| No. of stirs | Stirring control method | Ave. MC WB | Dry matter loss % | Drying time hrs |
|--------------|--|------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| 3 | Stir after 60, 120 and 216 hrs | 15.47 | 0.034 | 232 |
| 4 | Stir every 48 hrs | 15.49 | 0.032 | 232 |
| 6 | Every 24 hrs if MC at bottom is less than 16% WB | 15.49 | 0.031 | 232 |
| 9 | Every 24 hrs | 15.48 | 0.025 | 221 |
| ∞ | Continuous | 18.49 | 0.038 | 313 |

3. EXPERIMENTAL

The research reported in this thesis was carried out at the Kalchik Farms in Bellaire, Michigan, as a part of a continuing investigation on alternative on-farm grain drying methods in Michigan. The following five alternative drying systems have been tested by Michigan State personnel (Bakker-Arkema et al, 1979-1980; Silva et al, 1979; Silva, 1980; and Kalchik et al, 1979):

1. high temperature/natural air combination drying;
2. high temperature/low temperature (electric heat) with and without stirring combination drying;
3. in-bin dryeration;
4. in-bin counterflow drying; and
5. conventional batch drying.

Kalchik Farms was chosen as the site for grain drying research because of the high harvest moisture content and unfavorable climatic conditions during harvest. It can be argued that any drying technique that operates successfully in Bellaire, Michigan, will work at any farm in the lower peninsula of Michigan.

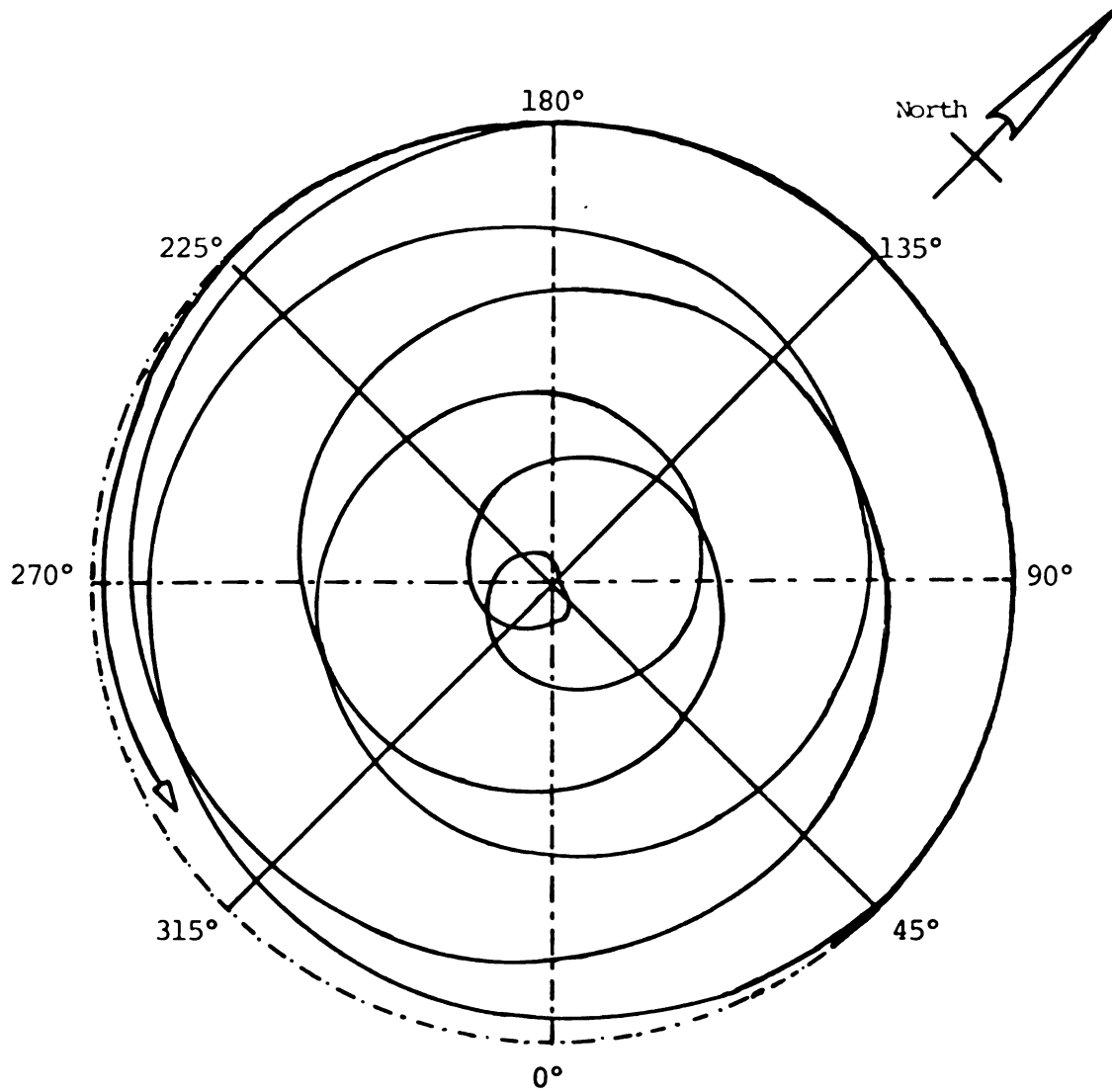
For the low-temperature in-bin combination drying research a single auger stirring device is used. The stirring device is a grain Stir-ator model 179 manufactured by the David Manufacturing Company, Mason City, Iowa. It has a single 51 mm (2 in) diameter right hand constant pitch auger with a 25mm (1 in) shaft. When stirring corn 3.67m (12 ft) deep, the 1.1 kW (1.5HP) motor drives the auger at about 500 rpm; the average tangential travel speed is

5.4 m/hr and the average radial travel speed is 1.7 m/hr. (In an empty bin the average tangential travel speed is 25.2 m/hr and the average radial travel speed is 6.8 m/hr). At a corn depth of 3.67m the auger travels horizontally in a spiral pattern as illustrated in Figure 6. The auger remains at the inside bin wall during half of a revolution to improve the stirring of the grain next to the wall.

The corn (variety DeKalb XL12) to be dried by the high/low-temperature stir drying process (LT-ST) was harvested at between 32 and 35% moisture content, wet basis (MC-WB). Before the test the corn was cleaned using a Farm Fans rotary cleaner and loaded into a wet holding bin (capacity 2.54 tons) with a 12.5m New Idea Flight elevator. From the wet holding bin the corn was loaded into a Kan-Sun (model 8-15-10) continuous crossflow dryer through a 0.15m diameter, 4.88m long screw auger. The corn was dried to 23-24% MC-WB at 104.4°C at airflow rate of 80.68m per minute per m³ of grain. The corn was loaded into the low-temperature, stir drying bin through a 0.15m, 12.8m screw auger. A Farm Fans mechanical spreader was used to spread the corn evenly into the 5.5m (18 ft)-diameter, 3.7 high bin.

The LT-ST bin was loaded first with about 1.8m of corn, after which a natural air (NA) bin (5.5m-diameter) was filled with the same amount of grain for comparison. This meant that the upper 1.8m of grain was placed in each bin after the bottom portion had been partially dried for 1 1/2 days at about twice the (full bin) designed airflow rate. Both the LT-ST and the NA bins were filled to a total depth of 3.67m, equivalent to 86.5m³ (2444 bushels) of corn.

After filling the LT-ST bin with the last 1.83m, the grain was immediately leveled and stirred for 10 hours to equalize the moisture content



Grain Depth: 3.67m (12 ft)
Bin Diameter: 5.5m (18 ft)
Auger Horizontal Travel Rate: 5.66m/hr

Figure 6. Path of auger horizontal travel.

throughout the bin. The average grain properties after the stirring were considered the initial conditions for the drying test.

Drying air for the LT-ST bin was heated by a 20 kW Aerovent electric heater to 4 to 6°C above ambient temperature, and pushed through the grain at the rate of 1.6 m³ per min/m³ (2 cfm/bu of grain) using a 2.24 kW (3 HP) vane axial Aerovent fan. Ambient air was pushed through the grain in the NA bin at the rate of 2.0 m³ per min/m³ (2.5 cfm/bu) using a 3.73 (5 HP) kW centrifugal fan.

The average ambient temperature was 4.5°C and the relative humidity varied from 70 to 100% during the test (November 5th to 28th, 1979).

The stirring device was turned on for six hours every 48 hours. During a six hour stirring interval the auger travels from the periphery of the bin to the center and back twice, and makes ten revolutions around the bin. This appears to be sufficient to completely stir and mix the grain in the bin. Previous computer simulations had demonstrated that stirring every 48 hours is to be preferred over continuous stirring (See Section 2.8).

The following parameters were measured before and after stirring, at the top, middle and the bottom of the bin:

1. grain moisture content, before and after drying;
2. grain test weight;
3. grain quality as determined by the proportion of broken kernels and foreign materials (BCFM), stress cracks, resistance to breakage, and viability;
4. air flow rate and inlet temperature; and
5. energy consumption (of the fan, heating and stirring device).

3.1 Instrumentation and Measurement

The grain moisture content was measured with a recently calibrated "Steinlite" moisture meter. The moisture content of all samples was checked with a GAC II Dickey-John moisture meter which has been calibrated against the standard oven method (Brooker et al., 1974).

The temperatures were measured with copper-constantan thermocouples and recorded with a Texas Instrument data logger.

Sample quality evaluation was performed using standard methods for stress cracks (Thomson and Foster, 1963). The 2, 3, 5-triphenyltetrazolium chloride color test (TZ test) was used to determine the percentage of viable kernels. The TZ test distinguishes between viable and dead tissues of the embryo on the basis of respiration rate in the hydrate state. The TZ test is widely recognized as an accurate means of estimating seed viability (Copeland, 1976). Breakage tests were conducted employing a newly developed USDA method (Miller et al., 1979).

The airflow rate was determined from fan curves supplied by the fan manufacturer, after measuring the static pressure in the false floor of the bins. The electrical power usage was measured with a kWh-meter supplied by the electric power company.

3.2 Economic Analysis

An economic analysis computer model, TELPLAN (Harsh et al., 1978) was used to calculate a ten year budgeting analysis for drying 381 tons (15000 bushels) per year using LT-ST, NA, and non-stirred low-temperature drying (LT-NS). The break even drying costs for the three systems were compared.

3.3 Drying Computer Simulation

The computer simulation model described in Section 2.8 was used to simulate corn drying using weather data obtained on the experimental site. In addition to the assumptions outlined in Section 2.8, it was assumed that there was no increase in airflow rate after stirring during the 1979 test. This assumption is not generally valid since a stirring device loosens the grain and therefore, tends to increase the airflow rate. Some investigators have observed a 3 to 33% airflow rate increase after stirring (Williams et al., 1979; Bern et al., 1979; and Baker et al., 1979). The airflow increase is dependent upon the fan characteristic curve and the amount of fines and foreign materials in corn, and the corn depth. During the 1979 test, the corn was high in foreign matter and there was no detectable static pressure difference before and after stirring. In 1980, a 25% increase in airflow rate was observed (124.6 m³ before and 155.7 m³ after stirring).

4. RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

4.1 Effect of Stirring on Drying Time and Moisture Content Distribution

The actual moisture content distribution in the LT-ST and NA systems as a factor of time and bin depth is given on Table 6. Similar simulated results are given on Table 7. As can be seen on Table 6, drying from about 23.7% to 15% MC-WB took three weeks (504 hrs fan operation) in the LT-ST system in the fall of 1979.

The fan on the NA bin was operated 600 hours in the fall before the low-temperature ambient conditions prevented further blowing. The moisture content at the top of the bin was 21.2 percent at that time. Drying was re-started for a few days in February when the ambient conditions in the Bellaire area reached an uncommonly high temperature (65°F or 18°C). The warm weather caused slight molding of the corn at the top of the bin. About 2.4 tons (100 bushels) of the grain were removed, mixed with dry corn and (without problems) used as cattle feed. Final drying of the NA bin commenced on April 13 and was completed within a week. The 5 HP centrifugal fan had operated for 1525 hours. The average final moisture content was 16.2 percent with a MC in the top and bottom of the bin of 16.7% and 15.7%, respectively, after removing the top 2.4 tons of wet moldy corn.

In the fall of 1980 it took eleven days (264 hours) to dry corn from 21.76% to 15.52% in the low-temperature stir drying system. The shorter drying time (compared with three weeks in the fall of 1979) was partly due to the favorable drying weather, cleaner corn and therefore, higher airflow,

Table 6. Moisture content variation with depths, for different drying systems.

| Drying System | Drying Time Weeks | Moisture Content % w.b. | | | | |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|--------|--------|---------|--------------|
| | | Top | Middle | Bottom | Average | Max. Differ. |
| LT-ST (1979) ¹ | 0 | 24.7 | 23.8 | 22.7 | 23.7 | 1.0* |
| | 1 | 19.8 | 20.8 | 20.7 | 20.4 | 1.0* |
| | 2 | 17.8 | 18.3 | 14.1 | 16.7 | 4.2 |
| | 2 | 17.0 | 18.0 | 14.5 | 16.5 | 3.5 |
| | 3 | 15.4 | 16.4 | 13.0 | 14.9 | 3.4 |
| NA (1979) | 3 | 21.6 | 19.8 | 14.7 | 18.7 | 6.9 |
| NA (1979) | 10 | 21.5 | 18.0 | 15.5 | 18.3 | 6.0 |
| LT-ST (1980) | 0 | 22.30 | 19.25 | 19.73 | 20.43 | 3.05 |
| | | 18.52 | 19.13 | 18.08 | 18.58 | 1.05* |
| | 1 (6 days) | 18.39 | 19.02 | 15.29 | 17.57 | 3.73 |
| | 1.5 (11 ") | 15.54 | 16.45 | 14.56 | 15.52 | 1.89 |

*Maximum moisture content difference immediately after stirring

¹Stirring interval: 48 hrs for 6 hrs in 1979 and 48 hrs for 8 hrs in 1980

Drying conditions: average ambient temperature 4.5°C; Hr 70% in 1979 and 9.4°C, Rh 74% in 1980.

LT-ST: temperature 10°C; Rh 58% (1979)

temperature 14.5°C, Rh 53% (1980)

Table 7. Computer simulation results of natural air (NA), low-temperature-nonstirring (LT-NS), low temperature stirring (LT-ST) and natural air stirring (NA-ST).

| Item | NA | LT-NS | LT-ST | NA-ST |
|---|------|-------|-------|-------|
| Initial MC, 23% w.b. | | | | |
| MC Top, % w.b. | 16.5 | 16.5 | 15.5 | 15.8 |
| MC Middle, % w.b. | 15.5 | 13.4 | 15.5 | 15.8 |
| MC Bottom, % w.b. | 15.5 | 12.2 | 15.4 | 15.8 |
| Max. MC Difference | 1.5 | 4.3 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| Average MC, % w.b. | 15.7 | 13.9 | 15.5 | 15.8 |
| Dry Matter Loss, % | 5.4 | 6.0 | 2.7 | 3.3 |
| Drying Time, Hrs. | 664 | 381 | 272 | 700 |
| Drying Temperature, °C | 4.5 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 4.5 |
| Relative Humidity % | 70 | 58 | 58 | 70 |
| Airflow Rate m ³ /m ² | 7.4 | 5.92 | 6.51 | 8.14 |

Grain Depth: 3.66m.

and partly due to the fact that the corn was previously dried in a batch drier and loaded into the LT-ST at about 65°C. The latter procedure resulted in a considerable dryeration effect. Moreover, the corn was stirred eight hours (instead of six hours) every 48 hours.

During stirring the wet corn at the top of the bin is mixed with drier corn at the bottom. It can be seen from Table 6 that corn in the middle of the bin is often wetter than the corn at the bottom and at the top after stirring. However, the maximum difference between the wettest and the driest corn was only about 1.0% immediately after stirring.

The grain along the bin wall was dried to the same moisture content as the corn in the rest of the bin. It was observed that the auger remained against the bin wall during one half of a revolution. The auger did not start rotating around the bin from the same position. The result was complete stirring of the corn at the bin wall and thus complete drying of the corn at the bin wall. Frus (1968) had observed that the corn near the bin wall is not dried if the stirring auger does not travel close to the bin wall.

In low-temperature in-bin drying the bottom layers dry faster than the top layers as the drying front progresses upwards through the bin. Thus, the bottom layer is overdried and the top layer is underdried. The stirring device reduces overdrying of the bottom layer and accelerates drying of the grain at the top of the bin. This can be seen from Figure 7.

In natural air (NA) in-bin drying, overdrying of the bottom layers is not as severe as in low temperature in-bin drying. The relative humidity in NA drying varies with the ambient (no artificial heat is applied). Thus, the equilibrium moisture content is higher, and the drying rate lower than with low electric heat application. Also, overdrying is minimal in natural air in-bin drying (See Tables 6 and 7).

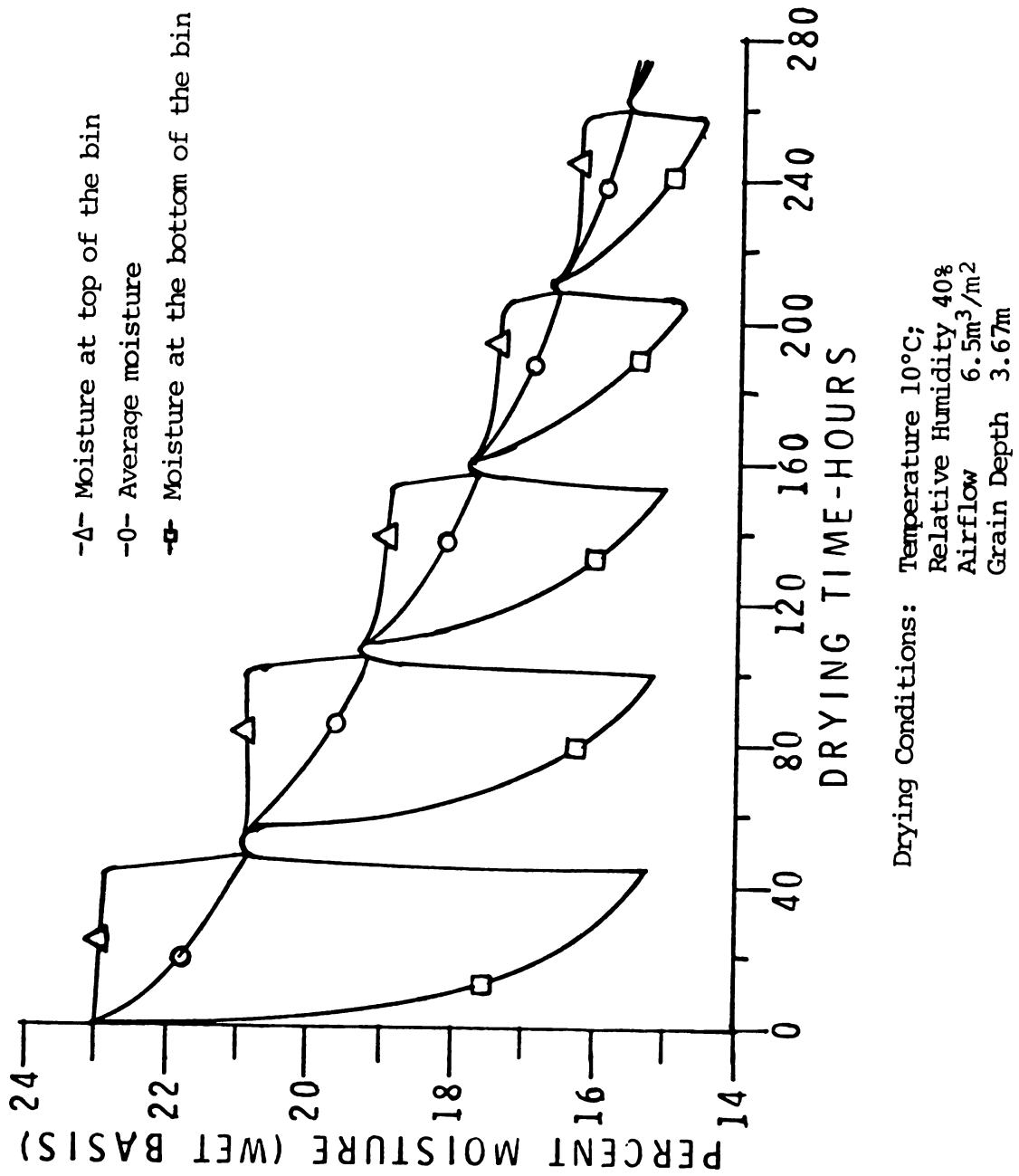


Figure 7. The effect of stirring on in-bin corn drying.

Computer simulations have shown that introduction of a stirring device in a natural air in-bin drying may lower the drying rate, resulting in longer drying time. This is particularly so in poor drying weather conditions (low temperatures and/or high relative humidities).

4.2 Effect of Stirring on Corn Quality

The average quality parameters for the low temperature stir dried and natural air dried corn are tabulated in Table 8. The stir-dried corn is of superior quality than the natural air non stir-dried corn. Stirring ensures uniform corn quality throughout the bin. No hot spots are likely to occur in a stirred bin.

4.2.1 Stress Cracks

The corn to be dried in 1979 in both the stirred and the non-stirred bins was harvested at 34.3% moisture and dried in a high speed, high temperature crossflow continuous dryer to 23.7% for the stirred bin and 24.6% for the natural air bin. The high temperature drying resulted in 41% and 33% heat-stress cracks in the dried corn, respectively. There was a slight reduction (due to sampling error) of the percentage of cracked kernels after low-temperature and natural air drying. This indicates that no heat stresses occurred during the final drying processes. Similar results were observed in the fall of 1980.

4.2.2 Breakage Susceptibility

The high temperature drying increased the breakage susceptibility from 15.7% to 24.9% and 21.6% for stir-dried corn and for natural air dried corn, respectively, in the fall of 1979, and from 16.1 to 33.2% in the fall of 1980. There was no increase in breakage susceptibility in the low-temperature stir dried corn. There was a slight breakage

Table 8. Quality parameters for low temperature stir dried corn and natural air dried corn in 1979 and 1980.

| Drying Method | Moisture Content | | Stress Cracks % | Breakage Susceptibility % | BCFM % | Viability Percentage | | Test Weight kg/he* |
|---|------------------|-------|-----------------|---------------------------|--------|----------------------|--------|--------------------|
| | Initial | Final | | | | Actual | Change | |
| <u>1979</u> | | | | | | | | |
| Undried Corn High Temperature 104°C LT-ST NA: High Temp. 104°C NA | 34.3 | - | 0 | 15.7 | 0.87 | 80.5 | 0 | 65.4 |
| | 34.3 | 23.7 | 41 | 24.86 | 1.76 | 49.3 | 30.7 | 65.7 |
| | 23.7 | 14.9 | 35 | 24.77 | 3.30 | 51.0 | 0.0 | 67.9 |
| | 34.3 | 24.6 | 33 | 21.57 | 1.75 | 51.3 | 29.2 | 66.4 |
| | 24.6 | 16.2 | 29 | 23.57 | 2.8 | 29.0 | 22.3 | 66.6 |
| <u>1980</u> | | | | | | | | |
| Undried Corn High Temperature 116°C LT-ST | 29.1 | - | 0 | 16.1 | 0.81 | 64.2 | 0 | 64.2 |
| | 29.1 | 21.8 | 37 | 33.2 | 1.03 | 15.3 | 48.9 | 65.1 |
| | 21.8 | 15.5 | 16 | 25.2 | 2.08 | 8.0 | 7.3 | 67.3 |

* kg per hectoliter

1979 - Breakage susceptibility measured at 12.38% MC

1980 - Breakage susceptibility measured at 9.0% MC

1 Based on \$0.07/kWhr electricity, \$0.177/liter propane

2, 3, 4 Drying conditions: 1979 - Average ambient temperature 4.5°C; Rh 70%
LT-ST temperature 10.0°C; Rh 58%

1980 - Average ambient temperature 9.4°C; Rh 74%
LT-ST drying temperature 14.5°C; Rh 53%

susceptibility increase in natural air dried corn. The increase may have been caused by mold damage or may be due to sampling error.

4.2.3 Broken Corn and Fine Materials

During the fall of 1979 test the percentage of broken kernels and foreign materials (BCFM) of combine harvested corn was 0.9%. The corn was dried in a continuous flow dryer (Kan-Sun), resulting in 1.8% BCFM. The BCFM increased to 3.3% and 2.8% after drying in the LT-ST and NA systems, respectively. The increase in BCFM is partly caused by the stirring device and partly by the loading and unloading augers. In the fall of 1980 an increase of 1.05% in BCFM was caused by the stirring device. The BCFM was accumulated at the bottom of the LT-ST bin. However, after stirring continuously for 12 hours at the end of drying the BCFM was nearly uniformly distributed throughout the bin.

4.2.4 Viability Change

The viability count as determined by the triphenyltetrazolium chloride color test is given in Table 8. It can be seen that low-temperature stir-drying does not cause any change in the viability of corn. The viability change of 30.7% in the fall 1979 test was caused by drying from 34.3% to 23.7% in the high temperature (104°C) high speed continuous cross-flow dryer. A 56.2% total viability change was observed in 1980 after drying the corn at 116°C in a batch dryer (Farm Fans). The 7.3% change in the LT-ST phase may have been a result of holding the high temperature dried corn at about 70°C in the low-temperature bin for a six-hour tempering period.

Natural air drying in the fall of 1979 resulted in a 22.3% change in viability. This was caused by molding due to the prolonged storage of the corn at a high moisture content, especially at the top of the bin.

4.3 Energy Consumption and Operating Costs

The actual energy consumption and operating costs for the different drying systems are given in Table 9. The standardized energy consumption and operating costs for the same systems are given on Table 10. The standardized parameters are based on combination drying 63.5 tons of corn from 26% wb to 23% in a high temperature dryer and from 23% to 15.5% in the low-temperature and natural air systems; for estimating energy consumption per hectare a yield of 6.9 tons per hectare (100 bu/acre) is assumed. Tables 9 and 10 include the energy consumption and operating costs for high temperature drying of shelled corn from field moisture content to a final moisture content of 15.5%.

The energy costs are expressed in terms of cents per ton of dry corn (15.5% wb) per percentage point of moisture removed. This unit is considered the most meaningful to farmers for the comparison of the different systems.

The energy consumption for low-temperature and natural air systems is very dependent upon the ambient weather conditions. In the fall of 1979, 6061 kWhrs were required to dry 51.74 tons of corn from 23.7% to 14.9% wb in the low-temperature stir-drying (LT-ST) system. The weather conditions during the fall of 1979 were not favorable to drying (the average ambient temperature was 4.5°C and the average ambient relative humidity 70%). In the fall of 1980 the corn matured early and the weather conditions (the average temperature was 9.4°C and the relative humidity 74%) were more favorable to drying. Thus, only 2748 kWhrs were required for drying 46.61 tons from 21.8 to 15.5% moisture content, wet basis. The standardized energy consumption figures are 6340 kWhrs and 4457 kWhrs for 1979 and 1980, respectively.

It can be seen from Tables 9 and 10 that combination drying systems (LT-ST and NA) are less energy consumptive than high temperature drying. The combination drying systems require the least energy input if the corn is harvested at sufficiently low initial moisture contents (e.g. below 23%) to allow direct drying in the low-temperature or natural air systems, without passing through the high temperature phase. Although the drying efficiency of the combination drying systems is better than that of high temperature systems, the combination systems may result in higher energy costs. This is due to the fact that electricity (which is more expensive per kilojoule than propane or natural gas) is the main energy source for these systems, whereas propane (or natural gas) is the principal energy source for the high temperature drying systems. The combination systems would undoubtedly be the least expensive if a cheaper energy source (such as biomass) had been used.

When compared with low-temperature non-stir drying (LT-NS) and natural air (NA) combination drying systems, low-temperature stir combination drying (LT-ST) is less energy consumptive resulting in lower operating costs. In the fall of 1979, the standardized energy drying efficiencies were 3921 and 3962 kJ/kgH₂O for LT-ST and NA systems, respectively. The energy costs were 80.03 and 80.87 cents per ton per point for the LT-ST and NA systems, respectively (See Table 9).

Silva (1980) compared natural air and low-temperature drying systems at the Kalchik Farms in Bellaire, Michigan in 1978. His results indicate that the energy efficiency of the NA system was about 16% better than the LT-NS system. In terms of energy costs the NA was nearly 30% cheaper than the LT-NS. The fall 1979 test results indicate that the energy efficiency of the LT-ST was about 1% higher and the energy costs about 1% lower, than that of NA drying at the same drying conditions.

Table 9. Actual energy consumption and operating costs (1980 prices)¹ for low-temperature stir drying and natural air drying at the Kalchik Farms, Bellaire, MI.

| Drying Method | Moisture Content & wet basis | | Corn Quantity tons at 15.5% MC w.b. | Energy Electricity kWhrs | Consumption Propane Liters | Drying Effi- ciency kJ/kg H ₂ O | Total Energy Equiva- lent Liters/ha | Energy Cost | |
|---|---------------------------------|---------|---|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|---|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | In-put | Out-put | | | | | | ¢/ton-point Kalchik Farms | Average Michigan Farm |
| High Temperature Continuous Flow | 34.3 | 23.7 | 51.74 | 252 | 1363 | 3897 | 186 | 45.0 | 47.2 |
| LT-ST-1979 ² | 23.7 | 14.9 | 51.74 | 6061 | - | 3682 | 113 | 57.2 | 93.2 |
| Combination | 34.3 | 14.9 | 51.74 | 6313 | 1363 | 3815 | 299 | 50.5 | 68.1 |
| High Temperature Batch Drying | 29.1 | 21.8 | 46.61 | 159 | 1135 | 5753 | 171 | 59.7 | 62.3 |
| LT-ST -1980 ³ | 21.8 | 15.5 | 46.61 | 2748 | - | 2635 | 57 | 40.2 | 65.5 |
| Combination | 29.1 | 15.5 | 46.61 | 2907 | 1135 | 4443 | 228 | 50.7 | 63.8 |
| High Temperature Continuous Drying (1979) | 34.3 | 24.6 | 50.65 | 218 | 1234 | 3890 | 172 | 45.4 | 47.6 |
| Natural Air Dry- ing - 1979 ⁴ | 24.6 | 16.2 | 50.65 | 5726 | - | 3622 | 109 | 57.9 | 94.2 |
| Combination | 34.3 | 16.2 | 50.65 | 5944 | 1234 | 3782 | 281 | 51.2 | 69.2 |
| Automatic Batch | 26.0 | 15.5 | 7.5 | 36 | 310 | 6584 | 136 | 70.1 | 72.9 |
| Continuous Cross Flow | 35.0 | 13.0 | 1.46 | 12 | 72 | 4017 | 348 | 40.4 | 42.3 |

¹ Based on \$0.07/kWhr electricity, \$0.177/liter propane

^{2, 3, 4} Drying conditions: 1979 - Average ambient temperature 4.5°C; Rh 70%

LT-ST temperature 10.0°C; Rh 58%

1980 - Average ambient temperature 9.4°C; Rh 74%

LT-ST drying temperature 14.5°C; Rh 53%

Table 10. Standardized energy consumption and operating costs (1980 prices) for low temperature and natural air drying at Kalchik Farms, Bellaire, MI.

| Drying Method | Elec- tric- ity kWh | Elec- tric- ity kWh/ha | Pro- pane Liters | Pro- pane Liters/ ha | Total Energy Equiv- alent Liters /ha | Energy drying Effi- ciency kJ/kg H ₂ O | Drying Cost ¢/ton- point |
|--|------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|---|---|-----------------------------------|
| Low temperature High temperature '79 stir drying combina- tion 26-23-15.5% '80 | 6427 | 698 | 473 | 51.4 | 149 | 3921 | 80.03 |
| High temperature Natural air drying combination 1979 | 4546 | 494 | 635 | 69.0 | 138 | 3633 | 64.58 |
| High temperature Continuous cross flow dryer '79 | 6494 | 706 | 478 | 52.9 | 150 | 3962 | 80.87 |
| Automatic batch '79 '80 | 249 | 27 | 1495 | 162.4 | 166 | 4377 | 42.30 |
| | 306 | 33 | 2653 | 288.3 | 293 | 7713 | 73.64 |
| | 312 | 34 | 2224 | 241.7 | 246 | 6488 | 62.32 |

Thus, introduction of a stirring device resulted in energy savings in the low-temperature (electrical heat) combination drying system.

The stirring device in the LT-ST bin was operated intermittently every 48 hours for six hours in the fall of 1979, and for 8 hours in 1980. The energy consumption for the stirring device was only 1% and 0.7% of the total energy consumed in 1979 and 1980, respectively. Thus, if periodically operated, the stirring device consumes very little electricity, although resulting in a significant reduction of drying time. The reduced drying time results in reduced energy consumption by the fan and the electric heater in low-temperature systems. Thus, the stirring device reduces operating and energy costs of a low-temperature drying system.

4.4 Capital Budgeting Analysis

The operating costs presented in Tables 9 and 10 do not include labor, maintenance, investment, interest on borrowed money, depreciation, and taxes. To analyze these costs a 381-ton (15,000 bu) drying and storage capacity was designed for the low-temperature non-stir and natural air drying/storage systems. For the LT-ST system, it was assumed that 762 ton of corn can be handled since it is possible to dry two batches per year in this system. This results in reduced investment and other fixed costs per ton of dried corn. With the LT-ST system it is assumed that the farmer dries and sells the first 381 tons of corn at the start of the harvest season and dries the last 381 tons for long term storage on the farm.

The cost estimates and assumptions are summarized in Table 11. The costs were estimated according to the procedure outlined in Appendix A and were used in a capital investment computer model (TELPLAN) designed by Harsh (1978).

The economic analysis results (Table 12) indicate that for drying 381 tons of corn annually, the total drying costs are nearly the same for the three systems analyzed (LT-NS, LT-ST and NA). The total drying costs are \$19.74, \$21.00 and \$21.32 per ton for the NA, LT-ST and LT-NS respectively. The drying and investment cost per ton can be reduced in the LT-ST system by drying two batches per year. The total cost for drying 762 tons per year in the LT-ST is \$15.23 per ton, assuming that the first 381 tons is sold. (See Table 12). It may be necessary to store all the corn dried on the farm. For 762 ton annual capacity six 381-ton extra bins are required for storage. Due to the extra investment, the total drying costs are \$17.13 and \$17.15 per ton for the LT-ST and NA systems, respectively. Thus, for 762-ton annual capacity the drying costs are nearly equal for the two systems. However, the total drying costs for the NA system increase faster (than for LT-ST system) with increasing capacity because a drying fan is installed in each of the NA bins. In the LT-ST system stirrers, drying fans, and heaters are not required in all the bins. Thus, the LT-ST system requires less investment costs than the NA system for capacities greater than 762 tons annually. However, the actual relative investment costs depend on the system design.

Thus, the LT-ST is the least expensive for drying capacities greater than 380 tons annually. Considering the superior grain quality after LT-ST drying, the LT-ST is a better drying system than either the NA or LT-NS system.

Table 11. Estimates/Assumptions for a 10 year budgeting analysis (1980 prices)¹.

| Parameter Estimated | Drying Combination Systems | | Natural air |
|---|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|
| | Low temp with stir | Low temp without stir | |
| Annual quantity, ton ² | 762 | 381 | 381 |
| Total Invest- ment, \$ | 45032 | 38286 | 38274 |
| Salvage value of investment, % | 10 | 10 | 10 |
| Annual interest rate on loan, % | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Energy costs ³ , \$/ton point and \$/ton | 0.72 | 0.80 | 0.73 |
| | 7.56 | 8.40 | 7.67 |
| Labor costs, \$/ton | 0.95 | 0.84 | 0.84 |
| Maintenance, \$ for 10 yrs. | 750 | 500 | 400 |

¹See Appendix A

²It is assumed that corn will be harvested at 26% w.b., dried to 23% in a high temperature drier and dried to 15.5% in the final phase.

³Based on \$0.07/kWhr electricity, \$0.177/liter propane.

Table 12. Economic analysis results for three high temperature-low temperature combination drying/storage systems for Michigan (1980 prices)¹.

| System (381 tons annually) from 26-23-15.5% w.b. | ² Annual Cost in \$ per ton per percentage point removal | | | Initial Capital Investment per ton, \$ |
|---|--|----------------------|-------------------|---|
| | Fixed Cost, \$ | Variable Cost, \$ | Total Cost, \$ | |
| Low-temperature stir drying | 1.19 (12.50) ³ | .81 (8.51) | 2.00 (21.00) | 118.19 |
| Low-temperature stir drying (762 tons) ⁴ | 0.64 (6.72) | 0.81 (8.51) | 1.45 (15.23) | 59.10 |
| Low-temperature without stirring | 1.15 (12.08) | 0.88 (9.24) | 2.03 (21.32) | 100.49 |
| Natural air (without stirring) | 1.07 (11.24) | 0.81 (8.51) | 1.88 (19.74) | 100.46 |

¹ See Appendix B and C for input and detailed analyses respectively.

² Net present value for a 10-year planning horizon.

³ Figures in brackets are the equivalent cost, \$/ton.

⁴ Low-temperature stir-drying system can dry twice as much as other systems per year.

5. CONCLUSIONS

1. The LT-ST drying reduces the total drying time from over 10 weeks in a NA system to less than 3 weeks, depending on the weather conditions.
2. When compared with high temperature dryers, the LT-ST is a more energy efficient system and results in about 30% energy savings. However, like most other combination systems, it is more expensive to run than the high temperature dryers since electricity, which is more expensive per kilojoule than propane, is its main source of energy.
3. The combination systems studied require nearly the same operating costs per unit, if 380 tons of corn are dried per year. However, the LT-ST system would be about 40% cheaper if twice as much corn is dried per year without on-the-farm storage.
4. If on-the-farm storage is required, the total drying costs increase faster with increasing capacity for the NA than for the LT-ST since a greater investment is required for the NA system.
5. LT-ST drying results in high, uniform quality corn. "Hot spots" and overdried corn are reduced. Thus, the LT-ST is a more reliable drying system than either the NA or LT-NS systems.

6. SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE WORK

As a result of this study, the following suggestions are made for further investigation:

1. To study the effect of stirring on energy costs if biomass or solar energy rather than electric heat is used as fuel for low-temperature drying.
2. To compare, side by side, continuous stirring with intermittent stirring.
3. Perform an optimization study to determine the optimum relative energy input for the fan, heater and the stirrer for corn drying from different initial moisture contents to 15.5% MC, wb.
4. Research should be done in tropical Africa, particularly in Kenya to study the technical and economic feasibility of low-temperature stir-drying of cereal grains using solar energy or biomass as source of heat.

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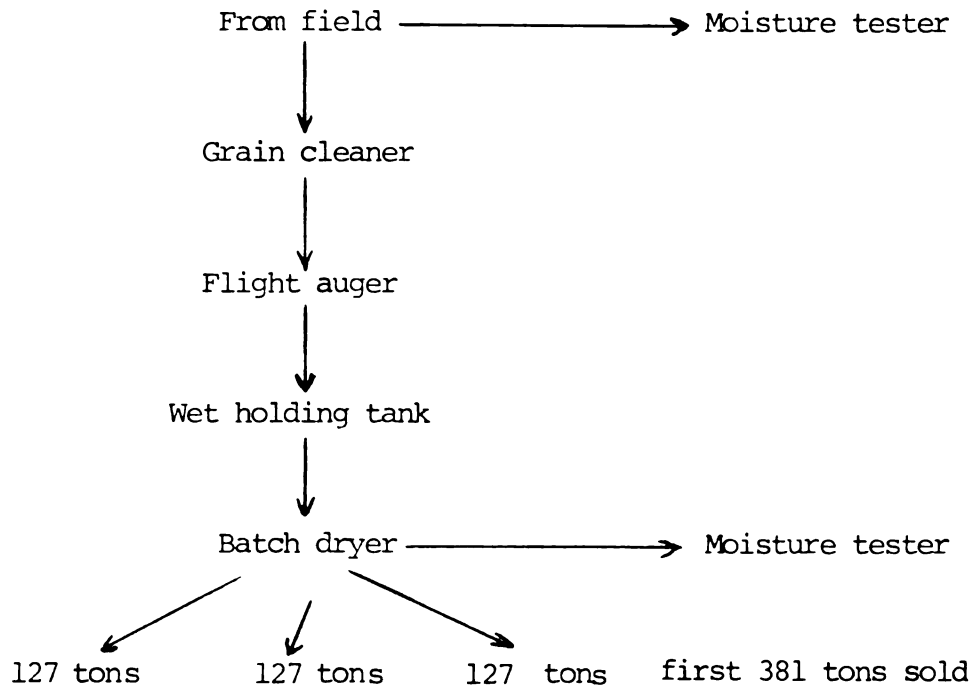
8. APPENDICES

APPENDIX A

INVESTMENT COST ESTIMATES

A1. Batch-Low Temperature Stir Combination Drying (762 tons)

1. System operation



Initial moisture content 26% (from field)

Intermediate moisture content 23% (from dryer)

Final moisture content 15.5% (from bin)

2. Estimated 1980 investment cost

| <u>Quantity</u> | <u>Item</u> | <u>Cost (\$)</u> |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| 1 | Batch dryer (120 bu/hr) | \$ 8,170.00 |
| 3 | Stirring devices | 4,860.00 |
| 3 | Extra rings | 1,800.00 |
| 3 | 24 ft. diameter bin | 9,552.00 |
| 3 | Perforated floor | 4,655.00 |
| 1 | Wet holding tank | 2,235.00 |
| 3 | Concrete (24 ft. bin) | 2,520.00 |
| 1 | Grain spreader | 400.00 |
| 1 | Grain cleaner | 600.00 |
| 1 | Unloading auger + motor | 457.00 |
| 1 | Sweep auger + motor | 298.00 |
| 1 | 42 ft. auger + motor (6") | 2,050.00 |
| 1 | 17 ft. auger + motor (6") | 750.00 |
| 1 | Flight auger + motor | 3,500.00 |
| 3 | Tube axial fan (1.5" SP & 7500 cfm) | 2,640.00 |
| 3 | Electrical heater (20 kWh) | 1,560.00 |
| 1 | Electrical (wiring) | 1,000.00 |
| 1 | Moisture tester | <u>220.00</u> |
| | Total investment at list prices | 47,277.00 |
| | Less 10% discount | 42,549.00 |
| | Installation | 1,600.00 |
| | Miscellaneous (2% total investment) | <u>883.00</u> |
| | TOTAL COST OF THE SYSTEM | \$45,032.00 |

3. Estimated salvage value at the end of 10 years

| | |
|------------------|---------------|
| Bins | \$ 5,893.00 |
| Stirrers | 3,000.00 |
| Perforated floor | 2,332.00 |
| Electrical | 500.00 |
| Concrete | 1,260.00 |
| Miscellaneous | 365.00 |
| Installation | <u>500.00</u> |
| TOTAL | \$13,850.00 |

at 35% salvage cost = \$4,847.00

% salvage value total investment = $\$5,425.00 + \$45,032.00 \approx 10\%$.

4. Estimated annual rate of interest on loan: 12% per year

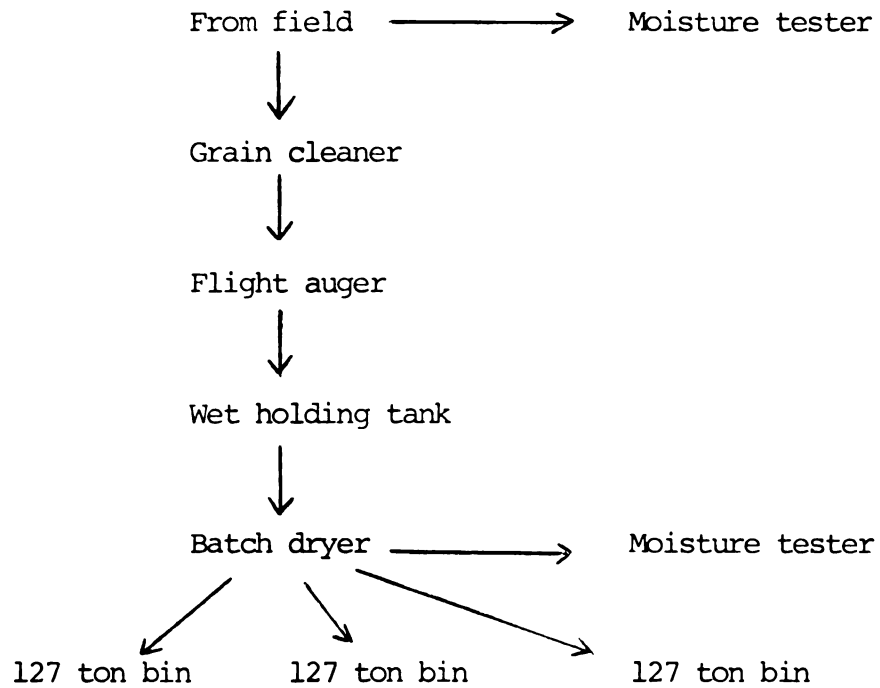
5. Estimated direct energy cost: \$0.72 per ton per point

6. Estimated labor cost: \$0.09/ton

7. Estimated maintenance cost: \$750.00

A2. Batch-Low Temperature Combination Drying (381 tons)

1. System operation



Initial moisture content 26% (from field)

Intermediate moisture content 23% (from dryer)

Final moisture content 15.5% (from bin)

2. Estimated 1980 investment cost

| <u>Quantity</u> | <u>Item</u> | <u>Cost (\$)</u> |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| 1 | Batch dryer (120 bu/hr) | \$ 8,170.00 |
| 3 | 24 ft. diameter bin | 9,552.00 |
| 3 | Perforated floor | 4,655.00 |
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| 3 | Concrete (24 ft. bin) | 2,520.00 |
| 1 | Grain spreader | 400.00 |
| 1 | Grain cleaner | 600.00 |
| 1 | Unloading auger + motor | 457.00 |
| 1 | Sweep auger + motor | 298.00 |
| 1 | 42 ft. auger + motor (6") | 2,050.00 |
| 1 | 17 ft. auger + motor (6") | 750.00 |
| 1 | Flight auger + motor | 3,500.00 |
| 3 | Tube axial fan (1.5" SP & 7500 cfm) | 2,640.00 |
| 3 | Electrical heater (20 kWh) | 1,560.00 |
| 1 | Electrical (wiring) | 1,000.00 |
| 1 | Moisture tester | <u>220.00</u> |
| | Total investment at list prices | 40,617.00 |
| | Less 10% discount | 36,555.00 |
| | Installation | 1,000.00 |
| | Miscellaneous (2% total investment) | <u>731.00</u> |
| | TOTAL COST OF THE SYSTEM | \$38,286.00 |

3. Estimated salvage value at the end of 10 years

| | |
|------------------|---------------|
| Bins | \$ 5,893.00 |
| Perforated floor | 2,332.00 |
| Electrical | 500.00 |
| Concrete | 1,260.00 |
| Miscellaneous | 365.00 |
| Installation | <u>500.00</u> |
| Total | \$10,850.00 |

at 50% salvage cost = \$3,797.00

% salvage value total investment = $\$3,797.00 \div \$38.286.00 \approx 10\%$.

4. Estimated annual rate of interest on loan

12% per year

5. Estimated direct energy cost

\$0.80 per point per ton

6. Estimated labor cost

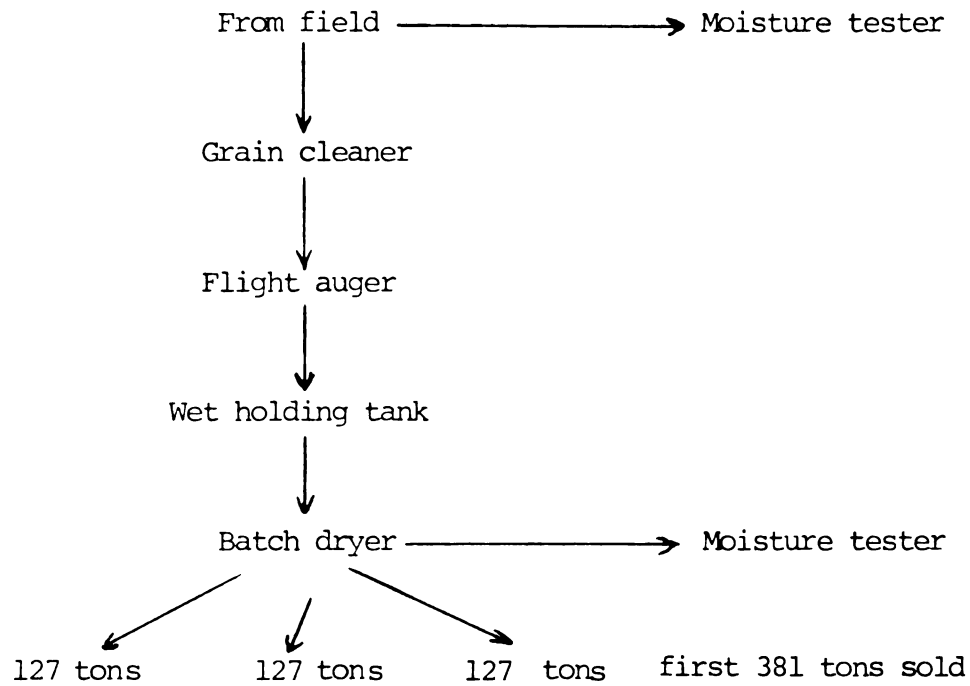
\$0.08 per point per ton

7. Estimated maintenance cost

\$500 in 10 years

A1. Batch-Low Temperature Stir Combination Drying (762 tons)

1. System operation



Initial moisture content 26% (from field)

Intermediate moisture content 23% (from dryer)

Final moisture content 15.5% (from bin)

2. Estimated 1980 investment cost

| <u>Quantity</u> | <u>Item</u> | <u>Cost (\$)</u> |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| 1 | Batch dryer (120 bu/hr) | \$ 8,170.00 |
| 3 | Stirring devices | 4,860.00 |
| 3 | Extra rings | 1,800.00 |
| 3 | 24 ft. diameter bin | 9,552.00 |
| 3 | Perforated floor | 4,655.00 |
| 1 | Wet holding tank | 2,235.00 |
| 3 | Concrete (24 ft. bin) | 2,520.00 |
| 1 | Grain spreader | 400.00 |
| 1 | Grain cleaner | 600.00 |
| 1 | Unloading auger + motor | 457.00 |
| 1 | Sweep auger + motor | 298.00 |
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| 1 | 17 ft. auger + motor (6") | 750.00 |
| 1 | Flight auger + motor | 3,500.00 |
| 3 | Tube axial fan (1.5" SP & 7500 cfm) | 2,640.00 |
| 3 | Electrical heater (20 kWh) | 1,560.00 |
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| 1 | Moisture tester | <u>220.00</u> |
| | Total investment at list prices | 47,277.00 |
| | Less 10% discount | 42,549.00 |
| | Installation | 1,600.00 |
| | Miscellaneous (2% total investment) | <u>883.00</u> |
| | TOTAL COST OF THE SYSTEM | \$45,032.00 |

3. Estimated salvage value at the end of 10 years

| | |
|------------------|---------------|
| Bins | \$ 5,893.00 |
| Stirrers | 3,000.00 |
| Perforated floor | 2,332.00 |
| Electrical | 500.00 |
| Concrete | 1,260.00 |
| Miscellaneous | 365.00 |
| Installation | <u>500.00</u> |
| TOTAL | \$13,850.00 |

at 35% salvage cost = \$4,847.00

% salvage value total investment = $\$5,425.00 + \$45,032.00 \approx 10\%$.

4. Estimated annual rate of interest on loan: 12% per year

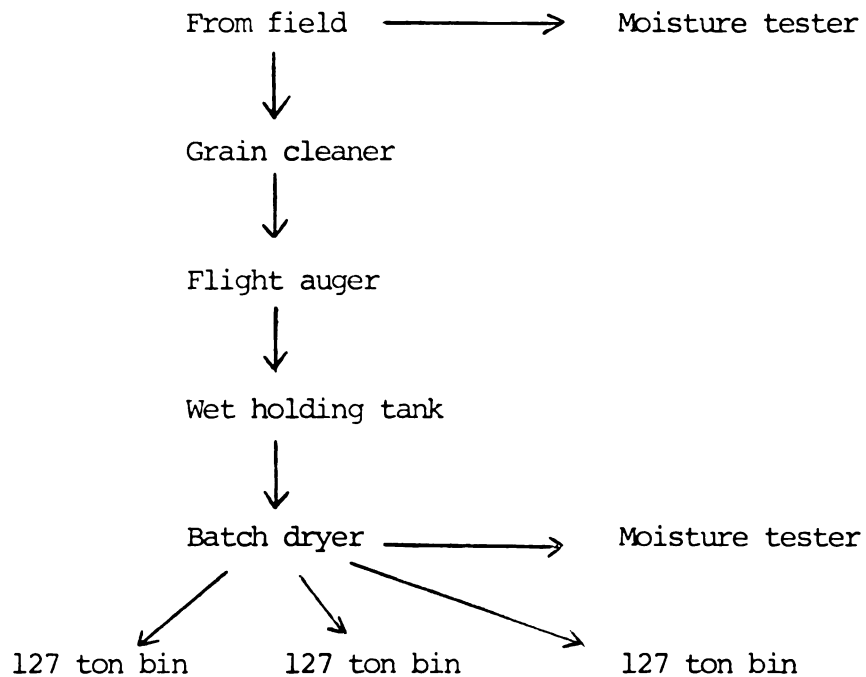
5. Estimated direct energy cost: \$0.72 per ton per point

6. Estimated labor cost: \$0.09/ton

7. Estimated maintenance cost: \$750.00

A2. Batch-Low Temperature Combination Drying (381 tons)

1. System operation



Initial moisture content 26% (from field)

Intermediate moisture content 23% (from dryer)

Final moisture content 15.5% (from bin)

2. Estimated 1980 investment cost

| <u>Quantity</u> | <u>Item</u> | <u>Cost (\$)</u> |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| 1 | Batch dryer (120 bu/hr) | \$ 8,170.00 |
| 3 | 24 ft. diameter bin | 9,552.00 |
| 3 | Perforated floor | 4,655.00 |
| 1 | Wet holding tank | 2,235.00 |
| 3 | Concrete (24 ft. bin) | 2,520.00 |
| 1 | Grain spreader | 400.00 |
| 1 | Grain cleaner | 600.00 |
| 1 | Unloading auger + motor | 457.00 |
| 1 | Sweep auger + motor | 298.00 |
| 1 | 42 ft. auger + motor (6") | 2,050.00 |
| 1 | 17 ft. auger + motor (6") | 750.00 |
| 1 | Flight auger + motor | 3,500.00 |
| 3 | Tube axial fan (1.5" SP & 7500 cfm) | 2,640.00 |
| 3 | Electrical heater (20 kWh) | 1,560.00 |
| 1 | Electrical (wiring) | 1,000.00 |
| 1 | Moisture tester | <u>220.00</u> |
| | Total investment at list prices | 40,617.00 |
| | Less 10% discount | 36,555.00 |
| | Installation | 1,000.00 |
| | Miscellaneous (2% total investment) | <u>731.00</u> |
| | TOTAL COST OF THE SYSTEM | \$38,286.00 |

3. Estimated salvage value at the end of 10 years

| | |
|------------------|---------------|
| Bins | \$ 5,893.00 |
| Perforated floor | 2,332.00 |
| Electrical | 500.00 |
| Concrete | 1,260.00 |
| Miscellaneous | 365.00 |
| Installation | <u>500.00</u> |
| Total | \$10,850.00 |

at 50% salvage cost = \$3,797.00

% salvage value total investment = $\$3,797.00 \div \$38,286.00 \approx 10\%$.

4. Estimated annual rate of interest on loan

12% per year

5. Estimated direct energy cost

\$0.80 per point per ton

6. Estimated labor cost

\$0.08 per point per ton

7. Estimated maintenance cost

\$500 in 10 years

APPENDIX B

RESULTS OF CAPITAL INVESTMENT ANALYSIS USING A TELPLAN PROGRAM

APPENDIX B3

Program No: 03
Form No: 3
System: TOUCH-TONE
PHONE

CAPITAL INVESTMENT MODEL -- INCLUDING BUY OR CUSTOM HIRE A TELPLAN PROGRAM

NAME LOW-TEMPERATURE ADDRESS _____

NON-STIR DRYING (381 tons p.a.)

Problem: To evaluate the investment of capital to reduce or eliminate costs including custom hire & leasing, or to generate new income.

INPUT: _____ ADJUSTED ANALYSIS _____
LINE NO.

Section I. Costs Reducing (Custom Hire or Leasing) Or Income Producing Information.

- 1a. Cost savings (or income produced) per unit* for a certain class of expenses (or income). For example, custom rate per unit (\$) 01. | 0 0 2 . 0 3 | _____
- 2a. Cost savings (or income produced) per unit* for a second class of expenses (or income). For example, additional per unit annual losses associated with custom hire (\$) 02. | 0 0 0 . 0 0 | _____
- 3a. Normal number of units* per year on which costs will be reduced (or income generated). 03. | 0 0 4 0 0 0 | - - - | _____
- b. Percent of units* indicated in Line 3a that will be absorbed by investment in the year of purchase.

Section II. Investment Information.

- 4a. Total dollar cost including un-depreciated balance of trade-in items. 04. | 0 3 8 2 8 6 | 0 0 | _____
- b. Percentage undepreciated value of trade-in items is of total cost.
- 5a. If a used item enter estimated new cost of item. If new item enter same value entered in Line 4a. 05. | 0 3 8 2 8 6 | 1 0 | _____
- b. Years plan to use the investment.

* It is very important to be consistent in your units. (For example, if the custom rate is stated on acres all the other units are also to be stated in acres).

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| | LINE NO. | |
|---|----------|-----------------------|
| 6a. Depreciation years | 06. | 10 10 08 4 11 |
| b. Salvage percent | | |
| c. Month of purchase (01=Jan, ..., 12=Dec.). | | |
| d. Depreciation type (0=Have model choose best depreciation method to use; 1=Straight line; 2=Straight line with additional 20%; 3=Double decline balance; 4=Double decline balance with additional 20%; 5=1.5 decline balance; 6=1.5 decline balance with additional 20%; 7=Sum-of-digits; 8=Sum-of-digits with additional 20%). | | |
| e. Does investment qualify for investment credit (0=no; 1=yes). | | |
| 7a. Percent of total cost (input line 4a) borrowed. | 07. | 100 08 12 . 0 |
| b. Repayment period of loan-years | | |
| c. Annual rate of interest on loan(%) | | |
| 8a. Per hour* fuel cost of operating investment** (\$) | 08. | 00 . 72 00 . 00 |
| b. Per hour* fuel cost of operating associated equipment** (\$) | | |
| 9a. Per hour* labor cost of operating investment & associated equipment. | 09. | 00 . 09 00 . 00 |
| b. Per hour* cost of supplies of operating investment & associated equipment. | | |
| 10a. Repairs costs of investment: Enter estimated repairs costs over period or use in today's dollars (amount must exceed \$25) OR enter type*** of machine to have model estimate repairs costs. Types of machines are: 1=Tractors; 2=Self-P. Combine, Self-P. Forage Harvester, Rotary Cutter; 3=Pull Type Combine. Pull Type Forage Harvester, Flail Harvester; 4=Self-P. Swather, Self-U.L. Wagon, Side D. Rake; 5=Fertilizer Equip; 6=Potato Harvester, Sugar Beet Harvester, PTO Bailer; 7=Tillage Tools, Mower; 8=Seeding Equip; Boom Sprayers; 9=Truck; 10=Air Blast Sprayer. | 10. | 00750 |
| 11a. Number of units* handled per hour* | 11. | 0001 . 00 |

* Refer to Page 1

** See instructions for Program 03, Form 3 for suggested guidelines.

*** If you cannot find your machine in the list, try to match to a machine that is similar or enter estimate of repairs costs.

x Hours are used as a measure for expressing costs in lines 8a, 8b, 9a, 9b and as a conversion factor in line 11. You can use a different measure as long as you are consistent in these lines.

ADJUSTED
ANALYSIS

LINE NO.

Section III. Federal Tax, Rate of Return and Cash Flow Information.

| | | | |
|--|-----|-------------------|-------|
| 12a. Tax bracket in year of purchase. | 12. | 30 30 30 | _____ |
| b. Tax bracket for first 1/2 years of investment. | | _____ | _____ |
| c. Tax bracket for last 1/2 years of investment. | | _____ / | _____ |
| | | | |
| 13a. Desired percentage rate of return on investment for first 1/2 years of investment. | 13. | 15 15 0.00 .0 | _____ |
| b. Desired percentage rate of return on investment for last 1/2 years of investment. | | _____ | _____ |
| c. Additional debt load (annual principal & interest payment in thousands of dollars) that the current business can withstand. | | _____ | _____ |

Section IV. Modification of Assumptions^{xx}

Enter "0" on line following last modification to be made. If none, enter "0" on line 14)

| | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|-------------|-------|
| 14a. Assumption value desired | 14. | 01 . 0 01 | _____ |
| b. Assumption code | | _____ | _____ |
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| 15a. Assumption value desired | 15. | 06 . 0 02 | _____ |
| b. Assumption code | | _____ | _____ |
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| 16a. Assumption value desired | 16. | 08 . 0 05 | _____ |
| b. Assumption code | | _____ | _____ |
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| 17a. Assumption value desired | 17. | 06 . 0 08 | _____ |
| b. Assumption code | | _____ | _____ |
| | | | |
| 18a. Assumption value desired | 18. | 01 . 0 09 | _____ |
| b. Assumption code | | _____ | _____ |
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| 19a. Assumption value desired | 19. | 01 . 6 10 | _____ |
| b. Assumption code | | _____ | _____ |
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| 20a. Assumption value desired | 20. | 06 . 0 03 | _____ |
| b. Assumption code | | _____ | _____ |

^{xx} See instructions for Program 03, Form 3 on how to use this section.

APPENDIX B2

Program No: 03
Form No: 3
System: TOUCH-TONE
PHONE

CAPITAL INVESTMENT MODEL -- INCLUDING BUY OR CUSTOM HIRE A TELPLAN PROGRAM

NAME LOW-TEMPERATURE STIR ADDRESS _____

DRYING (381 tons p.a.)

Problem: To evaluate the investment of capital to reduce or eliminate costs including custom hire & leasing, or to generate new income.

INPUT: _____ ADJUSTED ANALYSIS

LINE NO.

Section I. Costs Reducing (Custom Hire or Leasing) Or Income Producing Information.

- 1a. Cost savings (or income produced) per unit* for a certain class of expenses (or income). For example, custom rate per unit (\$) 01. 0 0 2 . 0 0 | _____
- 2a. Cost savings (or income produced) per unit* for a second class of expenses (or income). For example, additional per unit annual losses associated with custom hire (\$) 02. 0 0 0 . 1 1 | _____
- 3a. Normal number of units* per year on which costs will be reduced (or income generated). 03. 0 0 4 0 0 0 | 1 0 0 | _____
- b. Percent of units* indicated in Line 3a that will be absorbed by investment in the year of purchase.

Section II. Investment Information.

- 4a. Total dollar cost including un-depreciated balance of trade-in items. 04. 0 4 5 0 3 2 | 1 0 | _____
- b. Percentage undepreciated value of trade-in items is of total cost.
- 5a. If a used item enter estimated new cost of item. If new item enter same value entered in Line 4a. 05. 0 4 5 0 3 2 | 1 0 | _____
- b. Years plan to use the investment.

* It is very important to be consistent in your units. (For example, if the custom rate is stated on acres all the other units are also to be stated in acres).

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| | LINE NO. | ADJUSTED ANALYSIS |
|--|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| 6a. Depreciation years | 06. 1 0 1 0 0 8 4 1 | |
| b. Salvage percent | | |
| c. Month of purchase (01=Jan, ..., 12=Dec.). | | |
| d. Depreciation type (0=Have model choose best depreciation method to use; 1=Straight line; 2=Straight line with additional 20%; 3=Double decline balance; 4=Double decline balance with additional 20%; 5=1.5 decline balance; 6=1.5 decline balance with additional 20%; 7=Sum-of-digits; 8=Sum-of-digits with additional 20%). | | |
| e. Does investment qualify for investment credit (0=no; 1=yes). | | |
| 7a. Percent of total cost (input line 4a) borrowed. | 07. 1 0 0 0 8 1 2 . 0 | |
| b. Repayment period of loan-years | | |
| c. Annual rate of interest on loan(%) | | |
| 8a. Per hour ^x fuel cost of operating investment** (\$) | 08. 0 0 . 7 2 0 0 . 0 0 | |
| b. Per hour ^x fuel cost of operating associated equipment** (\$) | | |
| 9a. Per hour ^x labor cost of operating investment & associated equipment. | 09. 0 0 . 0 9 0 0 . 0 0 | |
| b. Per hour ^x cost of supplies of operating investment & associated equipment. | | |
| 10a. Repairs costs of investment: Enter estimated repairs costs over period or use in today's dollars (amount must exceed \$25) <u>OR</u> enter type*** of machine to have model estimate repairs costs. Types of machines are: 1=Tractors; 2=Self-P. Combine, Self-P. Forage Harvester, Rotary Cutter; 3=Pull Type Combine. Pull Type Forage Harvester, Flail Harvester; 4=Self-P. Swather, Self-U.L. Wagon, Side D. Rake; 5=Fertilizer Equip; 6=Potato Harvester, Sugar Beet Harvester, PTO Bailer; 7=Tillage Tools, Mower; 8=Seeding Equip; Boom Sprayers; 9=Truck; 10=Air Blast Sprayer. | 10. 0 0 7 5 0 | |
| 11a. Number of units* handled per hour ^x | 11. 0 0 0 1 . 0 0 | |

* Refer to Page 1

** See instructions for Program 03, Form 3 for suggested guidelines.

*** If you cannot find your machine in the list, try to match to a machine that is similar or enter estimate of repairs costs.

x Hours are used as a measure for expressing costs in lines 8a, 8b, 9a, 9b and as a conversion factor in line 11. You can use a different measure as long as you are consistent in these lines.

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ANALYSIS

LINE NO.

Section III. Federal Tax, Rate of Return and Cash Flow Information.

| | | | | | | |
|--|-----|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 12a. Tax bracket in year of purchase. | 12. | <u>30</u> | <u>30</u> | <u>30</u> | <u>0</u> | |
| b. Tax bracket for first 1/2 years of investment. | | _____ | | | | |
| c. Tax bracket for last 1/2 years of investment. | | _____ / _____ | | | | |
| 13a. Desired percentage rate of return on investment for first 1/2 years of investment. | 13. | <u>15</u> | <u>15</u> | <u>00</u> | <u>00</u> | <u>.0</u> |
| b. Desired percentage rate of return on investment for last 1/2 years of investment. | | _____ / _____ | | | | |
| c. Additional debt load (annual principal & interest payment in thousands of dollars) that the current business can withstand. | | _____ / _____ | | | | |

Section IV. Modification of Assumptions^{xx}

Enter "0" on line following last modification to be made. If none, enter "0" on line 14)

| | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|--|
| 14a. Assumption value desired | 14. | <u>01</u> | <u>.0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>1</u> | |
| b. Assumption code | | _____ | | | | |
| 15a. Assumption value desired | 15. | <u>06</u> | <u>.0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>2</u> | |
| b. Assumption code | | _____ | | | | |
| 16a. Assumption value desired | 16. | <u>08</u> | <u>.0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>5</u> | |
| b. Assumption code | | _____ | | | | |
| 17a. Assumption value desired | 17. | <u>06</u> | <u>.0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>8</u> | |
| b. Assumption code | | _____ | | | | |
| 18a. Assumption value desired | 18. | <u>01</u> | <u>.0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>9</u> | |
| b. Assumption code | | _____ | | | | |
| 19a. Assumption value desired | 19. | <u>01</u> | <u>.6</u> | <u>1</u> | <u>0</u> | |
| b. Assumption code | | _____ | | | | |
| 20a. Assumption value desired | 20. | <u>06</u> | <u>.0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>3</u> | |
| b. Assumption code | | _____ | | | | |

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APPENDIX B3

Program No: 03
Form No: 3
System: TOUCH-TONE
PHONE

CAPITAL INVESTMENT MODEL -- INCLUDING BUY OR CUSTOM HIRE
A TELPLAN PROGRAM

NAME LOW-TEMPERATURE ADDRESS _____

NON-STIR DRYING (381 tons p.a.) Problem: To evaluate the investment of capital to reduce or eliminate costs including custom hire & leasing, or to generate new income.

INPUT: _____ ADJUSTED ANALYSIS _____
LINE NO.

Section I. Costs Reducing (Custom Hire or Leasing) Or Income Producing Information.

- 1a. Cost savings (or income produced) per unit* for a certain class of expenses (or income). For example, custom rate per unit (\$)
01. | 0 0 2 . 0 3 | _____
- 2a. Cost savings (or income produced) per unit* for a second class of expenses (or income). For example, additional per unit annual losses associated with custom hire (\$)
02. | 0 0 0 . 0 0 | _____
- 3a. Normal number of units* per year on which costs will be reduced (or income generated).
03. | 0 0 4 0 0 0 | - - - | _____
- b. Percent of units* indicated in Line 3a that will be absorbed by investment in the year of purchase.

Section II. Investment Information.

- 4a. Total dollar cost including un-depreciated balance of trade-in items.
04. | 0 3 8 2 8 6 | 0 0 | _____
- b. Percentage undepreciated value of trade-in items is of total cost.
- 5a. If a used item enter estimated new cost of item. If new item enter same value entered in Line 4a.
05. | 0 3 8 2 8 6 | 1 0 | _____
- b. Years plan to use the investment.

* It is very important to be consistent in your units. (For example, if the custom rate is stated on acres all the other units are also to be stated in acres).

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| | LINE NO. | ADJUSTED ANALYSIS |
|---|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| 6a. Depreciation years | 06. 1 0 1 0 0 8 4 1 | _____ |
| b. Salvage percent | _____ | _____ |
| c. Month of purchase (01=Jan, ..., 12=Dec.). | _____ | _____ |
| d. Depreciation type (0=Have model choose best depreciation method to use; 1=Straight line; 2=Straight line with additional 20%; 3=Double decline balance; 4=Double decline balance with additional 20%; 5=1.5 decline balance; 6=1.5 decline balance with additional 20%; 7=Sum-of-digits; 8=Sum-of-digits with additional 20%). | _____ | _____ |
| e. Does investment qualify for investment credit (0=no; 1=yes). | _____ | _____ |
| 7a. Percent of total cost (input line 4a) borrowed. | 07. 1 0 0 0 8 1 2 . 0 | _____ |
| b. Repayment period of loan-years | _____ | _____ |
| c. Annual rate of interest on loan(%) | _____ | _____ |
| 8a. Per hour ^x fuel cost of operating investment** (\$) | 08. 0 0 . 8 0 0 0 . 0 0 | _____ |
| b. Per hour ^x fuel cost of operating associated equipment** (\$) | _____ | _____ |
| 9a. Per hour ^x labor cost of operating investment & associated equipment. | 09. 0 0 . 0 8 0 0 . 0 0 | _____ |
| b. Per hour ^x cost of supplies of operating investment & associated equipment. | _____ | _____ |
| 10a. Repairs costs of investment: Enter estimated repairs costs over period or use in today's dollars (amount must exceed \$25) OR enter type*** of machine to have model estimate repairs costs. Types of machines are: 1=Tractors; 2=Self-P. Combine, Self-P. Forage Harvester, Rotary Cutter; 3=Pull Type Combine. Pull Type Forage Harvester, Flail Harvester; 4=Self-P. Swather, Self-U.L. Wagon, Side D. Rake; 5=Fertilizer Equip; 6=Potato Harvester, Sugar Beet Harvester, PTO Bailer; 7=Tillage Tools, Mower; 8=Seeding Equip; Boom Sprayers; 9=Truck; 10=Air Blast Sprayer. | 10. 0 0 5 0 0 | _____ |
| 11a. Number of units* handled per hour ^x | 11. 0 0 1 . 0 0 | _____ |

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*** If you cannot find your machine in the list, try to match to a machine that is similar or enter estimate of repairs costs.

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ADJUSTED
ANALYSIS

LINE NO.

Section III. Federal Tax, Rate of Return and Cash Flow Information.

| | | | |
|--|-----|----------------------|-------|
| 12a. Tax bracket in year of purchase. | 12. | 3 0 30 - 3 0 | _____ |
| b. Tax bracket for first 1/2 years of investment. | | _____ / | |
| c. Tax bracket for last 1/2 years of investment. | | _____ / | |
| 13a. Desired percentage rate of return on investment for first 1/2 years of investment. | 13. | 15 1 5 0 0 0 0 0 | _____ |
| b. Desired percentage rate of return on investment for last 1/2 years of investment. | | _____ / | |
| c. Additional debt load (annual principal & interest payment in thousands of dollars) that the current business can withstand. | | _____ / | |

Section IV. Modification of Assumptions^{xx}

Enter "0" on line following last modification to be made. If none, enter "0" on line 14)

| | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|---------------|-------|
| 14a. Assumption value desired | 14. | 0 1 . 0 0 1 | _____ |
| b. Assumption code | | _____ / | |
| 15a. Assumption value desired | 15. | 0 6 . 0 0 2 | _____ |
| b. Assumption code | | _____ / | |
| 16a. Assumption value desired | 16. | 0 8 . 0 0 5 | _____ |
| b. Assumption code | | _____ / | |
| 17a. Assumption value desired | 17. | 0 6 . 0 0 8 | _____ |
| b. Assumption code | | _____ / | |
| 18a. Assumption value desired | 18. | 0 1 . 0 0 9 | _____ |
| b. Assumption code | | _____ / | |
| 19a. Assumption value desired | 19. | 0 1 . 6 1 0 | _____ |
| b. Assumption code | | _____ / | |
| 20a. Assumption value desired | 20. | 0 6 . 0 0 3 | _____ |
| b. Assumption code | | _____ / | |

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LINE NO.

Section III. Federal Tax, Rate of Return and Cash Flow Information.

| | | |
|--|-------------------------|-------|
| 12a. Tax bracket in year of purchase. | 12. 30 30 30 | _____ |
| b. Tax bracket for first 1/2 years of investment. | _____ | _____ |
| c. Tax bracket for last 1/2 years of investment. | _____ / | _____ |
| 13a. Desired percentage rate of return on investment for first 1/2 years of investment. | 13. 15 15 000 . 0 | _____ |
| b. Desired percentage rate of return on investment for last 1/2 years of investment. | _____ / | _____ |
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| | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|-------|
| 14a. Assumption value desired | 14. 01 . 0 0 1 | _____ |
| b. Assumption code | _____ | _____ |
| 15a. Assumption value desired | 15. 06 . 0 0 2 | _____ |
| b. Assumption code | _____ | _____ |
| 16a. Assumption value desired | 16. 08 . 0 0 5 | _____ |
| b. Assumption code | _____ | _____ |
| 17a. Assumption value desired | 17. 06 . 0 0 8 | _____ |
| b. Assumption code | _____ | _____ |
| 18a. Assumption value desired | 18. 01 . 0 0 9 | _____ |
| b. Assumption code | _____ | _____ |
| 19a. Assumption value desired | 19. 01 . 6 1 0 | _____ |
| b. Assumption code | _____ | _____ |
| 20a. Assumption value desired | 20. 06 . 0 0 3 | _____ |
| b. Assumption code | _____ | _____ |

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| | <u>LINE NO.</u> | <u>ADJUSTED ANALYSIS</u> |
|---|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 6a. Depreciation years | 06. <u>1 0 1 0 0 8 4 1 </u> | _____ |
| b. Salvage percent | | |
| c. Month of purchase (01=Jan,....., 12=Dec.). | | |
| d. Depreciation type (0=Have model choose best depreciation method to use; 1=Straight line; 2=Straight line with additional 20%; 3=Double decline balance; 4=Double decline balance with additional 20%; 5=1.5 decline balance; 6=1.5 decline bal- ance with additional 20%; 7=Sum-of- digits; 8=Sum-of-digits with addi- tional 20%). | | |
| e. Does investment qualify for in- vestment credit (0=no; 1=yes). | | |
| 7a. Percent of total cost (input line 4a) borrowed. | 07. <u>1 0 0 0 8 1 2 . 0 </u> | _____ |
| b. Repayment period of loan-years | | |
| c. Annual rate of interest on loan(%) | | |
| 8a. Per hour ^x fuel cost of operating investment** (\$) | 08. <u>0 0 . 7 3 0 0 . 0 0 </u> | _____ |
| b. Per hour ^x fuel cost of operating associated equipment** (\$) | | |
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| 11a. Number of units* handled per hour ^x | 11. <u>0 0 0 1 . 0 0 </u> | _____ |

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LINE NO.

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| 12a. Tax bracket in year of purchase. | 12. | 3 0 3 0 3 0 | _____ |
| b. Tax bracket for first 1/2 years of investment. | | _____ / | _____ |
| c. Tax bracket for last 1/2 years of investment. | | _____ / | _____ |
| 13a. Desired percentage rate of return on investment for first 1/2 years of investment. | 13. | 1 5 1 5 0 0 0 . 0 | _____ |
| b. Desired percentage rate of return on investment for last 1/2 years of investment. | | _____ / | _____ |
| c. Additional debt load (annual principal & interest payment in <u>thousands</u> of dollars) that the current business can withstand. | | _____ / | _____ |

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| | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|---------------|-------|
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| b. Assumption code | | _____ / | _____ |
| 15a. Assumption value desired | 15. | 0 6 . 0 0 2 | _____ |
| b. Assumption code | | _____ / | _____ |
| 16a. Assumption value desired | 16. | 0 8 . 0 0 5 | _____ |
| b. Assumption code | | _____ / | _____ |
| 17a. Assumption value desired | 17. | 0 6 . 0 0 8 | _____ |
| b. Assumption code | | _____ / | _____ |
| 18a. Assumption value desired | 18. | 0 1 . 0 0 9 | _____ |
| b. Assumption code | | _____ / | _____ |
| 19a. Assumption value desired | 19. | 0 1 . 6 1 0 | _____ |
| b. Assumption code | | _____ / | _____ |
| 20a. Assumption value desired | 20. | 0 6 . 0 0 3 | _____ |
| b. Assumption code | | _____ / | _____ |

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APPENDIX C

GENERAL ECONOMIC ANALYSIS
FOR A 10-YEAR PERIOD FOR THREE
CORN DRYING SYSTEMS

Appendix C1. General economic analysis for a 10 year period for the LT-ST drying system (381 tons annually).

| Yr | Total Returns | Depreciation | Princ- + Int. | Repairs | Fuel + Lub. | Labor | Sup- plies | After-TX Cash flow |
|--------|---------------|--------------|---------------|---------|-------------|-------|------------|--------------------|
| 1 | 8946 | 7417 | 3774 | 31 | 3577 | 382 | 0 | 6276 |
| 2 | 9483 | 7517 | 8492 | 53 | 3863 | 404 | 0 | -1858 |
| 3 | 10052 | 6013 | 8492 | 68 | 4172 | 429 | 0 | -2147 |
| 4 | 10655 | 4811 | 8492 | 81 | 4506 | 454 | 0 | -2390 |
| 5 | 11294 | 3849 | 8492 | 93 | 4866 | 482 | 0 | -2598 |
| 6 | 11972 | 3079 | 8492 | 105 | 5256 | 511 | 0 | -2784 |
| 7 | 12690 | 2463 | 8492 | 117 | 5676 | 541 | 0 | -2956 |
| 8 | 13452 | 1970 | 8492 | 128 | 6130 | 574 | 0 | -3125 |
| 9 | 14259 | 1576 | 5284 | 140 | 6621 | 608 | 0 | 80 |
| 10 | 15114 | 1261 | 0 | 153 | 7150 | 645 | 0 | 5317 |
| Totals | 117917 | 39956 | 68502 | 969 | 51817 | 5030 | 0 | -6185 |

1. Economic savings (discounted dollars) over period of use if investment is made = \$ -26.
2. Number of units on which analysis was made = 4000. (381 tons @ 10.5 MC percentage points removed)
3. Depreciation method used in analysis = 4.
4. Annual non-discounted returns, selected costs and cash flows.

Appendix C2 General economic analysis for a 10 year period for the LT-ST drying system (762 tons annually).

| Yr | Total Returns | Depreciation | Princ + Int. | Repairs | Fuel + Lub. | Labor | Supplies | After-TX Cash flow |
|--------|---------------|--------------|--------------|---------|-------------|-------|----------|--------------------|
| 1 | 13228 | 7417 | 3774 | 31 | 7154 | 733 | 0 | 6502 |
| 2 | 14022 | 7517 | 8492 | 53 | 7726 | 809 | 0 | -1668 |
| 3 | 14863 | 6013 | 8492 | 68 | 8344 | 858 | 0 | -2000 |
| 4 | 15755 | 4811 | 8492 | 81 | 9012 | 909 | 0 | -2292 |
| 5 | 16700 | 3849 | 8492 | 93 | 9733 | 934 | 0 | -2557 |
| 6 | 17703 | 3079 | 8492 | 105 | 10511 | 1021 | 0 | -2809 |
| 7 | 18765 | 2463 | 8492 | 117 | 11352 | 1083 | 0 | -3056 |
| 8 | 19891 | 1970 | 8492 | 128 | 12261 | 1148 | 0 | -3310 |
| 9 | 21084 | 1576 | 5284 | 140 | 13241 | 1216 | 0 | -201 |
| 10 | 22349 | 1261 | 0 | 153 | 14301 | 1289 | 0 | 4925 |
| Totals | 174360 | 39956 | 68502 | 969 | 103635 | 10060 | 0 | -6466 |

1. Economic savings (discounted dollars) over period of use if investment is made = \$ 202.
2. Number of units on which analysis was made = 8000. (762 tons @ 10.5 MC percentage points removed)
3. Depreciation method used in analysis = 4.
4. Annual non-discounted returns, selected costs and cash flows.

Appendix C3 General economic analysis for a 10 year period for the LT-ST drying system (381 tons annually).

| Yr | Total Returns | Depreciation | Princ + Int. | Repairs | Fuel + Lub. | Labor | Supplies | After-TX Cash flow |
|--------|---------------|--------------|--------------|---------|-------------|-------|----------|--------------------|
| 1 | 8607 | 6857 | 3211 | 21 | 3974 | 339 | 0 | 5542 |
| 2 | 9123 | 6286 | 7225 | 35 | 4292 | 360 | 0 | -1583 |
| 3 | 9671 | 5029 | 7225 | 45 | 4636 | 381 | 0 | -1833 |
| 4 | 10251 | 4023 | 7225 | 54 | 5007 | 404 | 0 | -2047 |
| 5 | 10866 | 3218 | 7225 | 62 | 5407 | 428 | 0 | -2235 |
| 6 | 11518 | 2575 | 7225 | 70 | 5840 | 454 | 0 | -2407 |
| 7 | 12209 | 2060 | 7225 | 78 | 6307 | 481 | 0 | -2571 |
| 8 | 12941 | 1648 | 7225 | 86 | 6811 | 510 | 0 | -2735 |
| 9 | 13718 | 1318 | 4496 | 94 | 7356 | 541 | 0 | -31 |
| 10 | 14541 | 1055 | 0 | 102 | 7945 | 573 | 0 | 4395 |
| Totals | 113445 | 34069 | 58282 | 647 | 57575 | 4471 | 0 | -5505 |

1. Economic savings (discounted dollars) over period of use if investment is made = \$ 6.
2. Number of units on which analysis was made = 4000. (381 tons @ 10.5 MC percentage points removed)
3. Depreciation method used in analysis = 4.
4. Annual non-discounted returns, selected costs and cash flows.

Appendix C1. General economic analysis for a 10 year period for the LT-ST drying system (381 tons annually).

| Yr | Total Returns | Depreciation | Princ + Int. | Repairs | Fuel + Lub. | Labor | Supplies | After-TX Cash flow |
|--------|---------------|--------------|--------------|---------|-------------|-------|----------|--------------------|
| 1 | 8946 | 7417 | 3774 | 31 | 3577 | 382 | 0 | 6276 |
| 2 | 9483 | 7517 | 8492 | 53 | 3863 | 404 | 0 | -1858 |
| 3 | 10052 | 6013 | 8492 | 68 | 4172 | 429 | 0 | -2147 |
| 4 | 10655 | 4811 | 8492 | 81 | 4506 | 454 | 0 | -2390 |
| 5 | 11294 | 3849 | 8492 | 93 | 4866 | 482 | 0 | -2598 |
| 6 | 11972 | 3079 | 8492 | 105 | 5256 | 511 | 0 | -2784 |
| 7 | 12690 | 2463 | 8492 | 117 | 5676 | 541 | 0 | -2956 |
| 8 | 13452 | 1970 | 8492 | 128 | 6130 | 574 | 0 | -3125 |
| 9 | 14259 | 1576 | 5284 | 140 | 6621 | 608 | 0 | 80 |
| 10 | 15114 | 1261 | 0 | 153 | 7150 | 645 | 0 | 5317 |
| Totals | 117917 | 39956 | 68502 | 969 | 51817 | 5030 | 0 | -6185 |

1. Economic savings (discounted dollars) over period of use if investment is made = \$ -26.
2. Number of units on which analysis was made = 4000. (381 tons @ 10.5 MC percentage points removed)
3. Depreciation method used in analysis = 4.
4. Annual non-discounted returns, selected costs and cash flows.

APPENDIX D

COMPUTER LISTING OF THE PROGRAM

"FIXED" USED TO SIMULATE CORN

DRYING IN A FIXED BED

APPENDIX D

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10=      PROGRAM FIXED (INPUT,OUTPUT,TAPE60=INPUT,TAPE61=OUTPUT,TAPE1)
20=C*
30=C*      M I C H I G A N   S T A T E   U N I V E R S I T Y
40=C* A G R I C U L T U R A L   E N G I N E E R I N G   D E P A R T M E N T
50=C*      F I X E D   R E D   G R A I N   D R Y E R   M O D E L
60=C*      F.W. BAKKER-ARKEMA, PROJECT LEADER
70=C*      M. G. ROTH, PROGRAMMER
80=C*      E.W.RUGUMAYO , MODIFIER
90=C*      ELIUD N. MWAURA,MODIFIER TO SIMULATE STIR DRYING
100=C*
110=C*      DESCRIPTION
120=C*      MAIN PROGRAM FOR THE SIMULATION OF A FIXED BED DRYER
130=C*
140=C*      SUBROUTINES USED
150=C*      BLOCKDATA
160=C*      LAYER
170=C*      READYTH
180=C*      ZEROIN
190=C*
200=C*      FUNCTION SUBPROGRAMS USED
210=C*      SYCHART PACKAGE
220=C*      EMC
230=C*      SOLVE
240=C*
250=      COMMON /MAIN/ XMT,THT,RHT,DELT,CMM,XMO,IAB,TIME
260=      COMMON /PRFRTY/SA,CA,CP,CV,CW,RHOF,HFG
270=      COMMON /PRESS/PATH
280=      COMMON /NAME/INAME,IFROD,NEQ,NEQ1
290=      COMMON /ARRAYS/ T(51,2),H(51,2),XM(51),RH(51)
300=      COMMON /CONS/ CON1,CON2,CON3,CON4,CON5,CON6,CON7,CON12,CON13
310=      COMMON /FLAGS/ JX,JM,ICON
320=      DIMENSION XMEPR(51),DM(51),TEQ(51),DEEP(21),WB(51),INAME(3)
330=      EXTERNAL SOLVE
340=C*      DEFINE EQUILIBRIUM RH FUNCTION (THOMPSON, 1972)
350=      ERH(T,XM) = 1. - EXP(-.382*(1.8*T + 82.)*XM**2)
360=      DATA RHC,D,PRT,TIME,ITERCT,IEXIT,JK,KCON,KAB/.9999999999,3*.0,5*0/
370=      DATA IAB/0/
380=      F(T) = T + 273.16
390=      PRTT = 0.0
420=C*      INPUT CONDITIONS OF DRYER TO BE SIMULATED
430=      READ 150,XMO,THIN,CMM,DEPTH,INDPR,NLPF,TT,TBTPR,DELT,NEQ
440=      CFM = 3.2807*CMM
450=      DEPTHF = 3.2807*DEPTH
460=      HP=DEPTHF*(CFM**1.944)*3.0792E-6
470=      HPHOUR=HP*TT
480=      BTUAIR=HPHOUR/3.929E-4
490=      ENJAIR = 1055.1*BTUAIR
500=C*      COMPUTE STEP SIZE, NUMBER OF NODES AND DEPTH BETWEEN PRINTS
510=      DELX=1./NLPF
520=      IND=NLPF*DEPTH
530=      IND1=IND+1
540=      DBTPR=INDPR*DELX
550=C*      COMPUTE OUTPUT DEPTHS FOR PRINTING
560=      DO 100 I=1,IND1,INDPR
570=      JK=JK+1
580=      DEEP(JK)=D
590=      D=D+DBTPR
600=      100 CONTINUE

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APPENDIX D - Continued

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610=C*  COMPUTE EQUILIBRIUM RH AND INITIALIZE ARRAYS
620=      RHIN=0.9*ERH(THIN,XMO)
630=      HINIT=HADBRH(F(THIN),RHIN)
640=      DO 101 I=1,IND1
650=      XM(I)=XMO
660=      TEQ(I)=0.0
670=      H(I,1)=HINIT $ T(I,1)=THIN $ RH(I)=RHIN
680= 101 CONTINUE
690=      HIN = HINIT
700=C*  CONVERT AIRFLOW TO KG/HR AND COMPUTE CONVECTIVE HEAT TRANSFER
710=C*  COEFFICIENT AND EQUILIBRIUM MOISTURE CONTENT
720=      GA=60.*CMM/USDHHA(F(THIN),HIN)
730=      IF(GA - 2441.214) 2,1,1
740=      1 HC = 2909.458839*GA**.59
750=      GO TO 3
760=      2 HC = 6480.645534*GA**.49
770=      3 CONTINUE
780=C*  PRINT HEADER PAGE OF CONDITIONS AND PROPERTIES
790=      PRINT 210,INAME,IFROD,THIN,XMO,CMM,GA,CA,CF,CV,CW
800=      1,HC,PATH,HFG,RHOP,SA,DEPTH,DELX,DBTPR,TT,TBTPR,ENJAIR
810=      PRINT 218,DELT
820=C*  PRINT DEPTHS FOR WHICH LATER OUTPUT CORRESPONDS
830=      PRINT 211,(DEEP(I),I=1,JK)
840=C*  COMPUTE CONSTANTS USED BY EQUATIONS WITHIN LOOP
850=      CON1=GA*DELT
860=      CON2=CW-CV
870=      CON12=CON1*CON2
880=      CON3 = HFG + 117.86*(CW-CV)
890=      CON13=CON1*CON3
900=      CON4=RHOP*DELX
910=      CON5=CON4/CON1
920=      CON6=CON1/CON4
930=C*  COUNT NUMBER OF STIRRINGS
940=      TSTIR=0.
950=      KEYTIME=0
960=      KEY2=0
970=C*  BEGIN TIME LOOP
980=      4 TIME=TIME+DELT
990=      KEYTIME=KEYTIME+DELT
1000=      KEY1=0
1010=      IF(NEQ.EQ.4) GO TO 300
1020=C*  CHECK IF TIME TO READ NEW DATA INFUT
1030=      IF(TIME-PRT) 6,5,5
1040= 300 CONTINUE
1050=C*  READ RECORDED GRAIN TEMP.THINC,INFUT DRYING TEMP.TIN AND
1060=C*  ABSOLUTE HUMIDITY, HIN
1070=      5 TIN=10. $ HIN=.003
1080=      KEY1=1
1090=      NEQ1 = NEQ
1100=      V1 = T(1,1) $ V2 = XM(1) $ V3 = H(1,1) $ V4 = RH(1)
1110=      8 H(1,2)=HIN
1120=      T(1,2)=TIN
1130=      RH(1) = RHDBHA(F(T(1,2)),H(1,2))
1140=      6 CONTINUE
1150=C*  CHECK IF STIRRING CONDITIONS HAVE BEEN MET
1160=C*  IF SO SET ALL PROPERTIES EQUAL TO AVERAGE CONDITIONS
1170=      IF(KEYTIME .GE. 48)GOTO 50
1180=      GOTO 55
1190= 50 CONTINUE

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APPENDIX D - Continued

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1200=      DO 120 J=1,IND1
1210=      XM(J)=XMAVE
1220=      T(J,1)=TAVE
1230=      H(J,1)=HAVE
1240= 120  CONTINUE
1250=      TSTIR=TSTIR+1.
1260=      KEY2=KEY2+1
1270=      IF(KEY2 .GT. 1)GOTO 245
1280=      PRINT 230,TIME
1290= 230  FORMAT(*0*,*STIRRING OCCURRED AT *,F6.2,* HRS*)
1300= 245  CONTINUE
1310=      IF(KEY2 .LT. 6)GOTO 243
1320=      KEY2=0
1330=      KEYTIME=0
1340= 243  IF(KEY1-1)244,55,55
1350= 244  H(1,2)=HAVE
1360=      T(1,2)=TAVE
1370=      RH(1)=RHDBHA(F(T(1,2)),H(1,2))
1380=      V1 = T(1,1) $ V2 = XM(1) $ V3 = H(1,1) $ V4 = RH(1)
1390= 55  CONTINUE
1400=      KEY1=0
1410=C*  EVALUATE THIN LAYER DRYING EQUATION AT AIR INLET
1420=      THT=T(1,1) $ XMT=XM(1) $ RHT=RHDBHA(F(THT),H(1,1))
1430=      CALL LAYER
1440=      XM(1)=XMT
1450=C*  BEGIN DEPTH LOOP
1460=      DO 102 J=2,IND1
1470=      JX = J
1480=      JM=J-1
1490=C*  USE PREVIOUS VALUE OF H FOR INITIAL GUESS
1500=      HJ2=H(JM,2)
1510=C*  CALL SOLVE TO COMPUTE TRIAL T, XM, H, RH
1520=      DIFF=SOLVE(HJ2)
1530=C*  CHECK CONDENSATION FLAG
1540=      IF(ICON) 31,31,30
1550= 30  KCON=KCON+1
1560=      GO TO 43
1570=C*  SET LIMITS ON H
1580= 31  IF(DIFF) 36,43,32
1590=C*  SOLVING FOR ABSORPTION CONDITIONS
1600= 32  HLOW=.5*ERH(THT,XMT)
1610=C*  CHECK FOR FEASIBLE HLOW
1620= 33  IF(XMT-EMC(HLOW,THT)) 34,35,35
1630=C*  ***  DECREASE HLOW UNTIL XM .GT. EMC
1640= 34  HLOW=.5*HLOW
1650=      GO TO 33
1660= 35  HLOW=HADBRH(F(THT),HLOW)
1670=      HHI=H(J,2)
1680=      KAB=KAB+1
1690=      GO TO 42
1700=C*  SOLVING FOR DRYING CONDITIONS
1710= 36  HLOW=H(J,2)
1720=C*  CHECK FOR SUPERSATURATED GRAIN
1730=      IF(XMT-EMC(RHC,THT)) 38,37,37
1740= 37  HHI=HADBRH(F(THT),RHC)
1750=      GO TO 42
1760= 38  HHI=.5*(1.+ERH(THT,XMT))
1770=C*  CHECK FOR FEASIBLE HHI
1780= 39  IF(EMC(HHI,THT)-XMT) 40,41,41
1790=C*  INCREASE HHI UNTIL EMC .GT. XM
1800= 40  HHI=.5*(1.+HHI)

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1810=      GO TO 39
1820=      41 HHI=HADERH(F(THT),HHI)
1830=C*
1840=C*      INITIATE SEARCH FOR H, T, XM
1850=C*
1860=      42 CALL ZEROIN(HLOW,HHI,.0001,SOLVE)
1870=      43 XM(J)=XMT
1880=C*      END DEPTH LOOP
1890=      102 CONTINUE
1900=      XMAVE=0. $ DMAVE=0. $ WBAVE=0.
1910=      TAVE = 0.0
1920=      HAVE=0
1930=      DO 103 J=1,IND1
1940=      JX = J
1950=C*      SHIFT ARRAYS
1960=      T(J,1)=T(J,2)
1970=      H(J,1)=H(J,2)
1980=C*      COMPUTE EQUILIBRIUM MOISTURE CONTENT
1990=      XMEFR(J)=EMC(RH(J),T(J,2))
2000=C*      SUM MOISTURE CONTENTS
2010=      XMAVE=XMAVE+XM(J)
2020=C*      CALCULATE DRY MATTER DECOMPOSITION (THOMPSON, 1972)
2030=      XMDB=100.*XM(J) $ XMWB=XMDB/(1.+XM(J)) $ TJ=T(J,1)
2040=      WB(J)=.01*XMWB $ WBAVE=WBAVE+WB(J)
2050=C*      COMPUTE TEMPERATURE MULTIPLIER FOR EQUIVALENT TIME
2060=      IF(TJ-15.5) 21,22,22
2070=C*      T.LT.15.5DEG C
2080=      21 AMT = 128.76*EXP(-4.68*((1.8*TJ + 32.)/60.))
2090=      GO TO 26
2100=C*      (T.GE.15.5DEG C) AND (XM.LE.19WB)
2110=      22 AMT = 32.3*EXP(-3.48*((1.8*TJ + 32.)/60.))
2120=      IF(XMWB-19.) 26,26,23
2130=      23 IF(XMWB-28.) 24,24,25
2140=C*      (T.GE.15.5DEG C) AND (XM.GT.19WB) AND (XM.LE.28WB)
2150=      24 AMT = AMT + (XMWB-19.)/100.*EXP(.61*((1.8*TJ - 28.)/60.))
2160=      GO TO 26
2170=C*      (T.GE.15.5DEG C) AND (XM.GT.28WB)
2180=      25 AMT = AMT + .09*EXP(.61*((1.8*TJ - 28.)/60.))
2190=      26 CONTINUE
2200=C*      COMPUTE MOISTURE CONTENT MULTIPLIER FOR EQUIVALENT TIME
2210=C*      RESTRICT MOISTURE CONTENT VALUES TO 13 - 35 WB
2220=      IF(XMWB.LT.13.) XMDB=13./87
2230=      IF(XMWB.GT.35.) XMDB=35./65
2240=      AMM=.103*(EXP(455./XMDB**1.53)-.0084*XMDB+1.558)
2250=C*      COMPUTE EQUIVALENT TIME INCREMENT AND SUM
2260=      TEQ(J) = TEQ(J) + DELT/(AMT*AMM)
2270=C*      COMPUTE PERCENT DRY MATTER LOSS
2280=      DM(J)=.0883*(EXP(.006*TEQ(J))-1.)+.00102*TEQ(J)
2290=C*      SUM GRAIN TEMPERATURE
2300=      TAVE = TAVE + T(J,2)
2310=C*      CALCULATE AVERAGE ABSOLUTE HUMIDITY
2320=      HAVE=HAVE+H(J,2)
2330=      103 CONTINUE
2340=      HAVE=HAVE/IND1
2350=C*      AVERAGE MOISTURE CONTENT
2360=      XMAVE =XMAVE/IND1
2370=      WBAVE=WBAVE/IND1
2380=      DO 235 J=1,IND1
2390=      DM(J)=DM(IND1)

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2400=C*   SUM DRY MATTER LOSSES
2410=     DMAVE = DMAVE + DM(J)
2420= 235  CONTINUE
2430=C*   AVERAGE DRY MATTER LOSS
2440=     DMAVE =DMAVE/IND1
2450=C*   AVERAGE GRAIN TEMPERATURE
2460=     TAVE = TAVE/IND1
2470=     THINC=TAVE
2480=     ITERCT=ITERCT+1
2490=C*   CHECK IF TIME TO END, MOISTURE CONTENT LOW ENOUGH, OR TIME TO
2500=C*   PRINT...IF NONE OF THESE GO TO BEGINNING OF TIME LOOP
2510=     IF(WRAVE.LE..155)GOTO 12
2520=     SHOO=TIME-FRTT
2530=     IF(SHOO.NE.0)GO TO 451
2540=     WATER=(XMO-XMAVE)*RHOP*DEPTH
2550=     NODES=IND1*ITERCT
2560=     PKCON=KCON*100./NODES
2570=     PKAB=KAB*100./NODES
2580= 451 IF(SHOO.GE.0.)PRTT=FRTT+2.
2590=     IF(TIME + DELT - TT) 400,400,12
2600= 400 IF(NEQ - 4) 11,13,13
2610= 11 IF(TIME - PRT) 4,13,13
2620=C*   SET FLAG IF EXIT CONDITION MET
2630= 12 IEXIT=1
2640=C*   MAKE FINAL CALCULATIONS AND PRINT
2650= 13 PRT=PRT+TBTPR
2660=     WATER=(XMO-XMAVE)*RHOP*DEPTH
2670=C*   COMPUTE PERCENTAGE CONDENSATION AND ABSORPTION
2680=     NODES = IND1*ITERCT
2690=     PKCON=KCON*100./NODES
2700=     PKAB=KAB*100./NODES
2710=     ITERCT=0 $ KAB=0 $ KCON=0
2720=C*   COMPUTE EQUILIBRIUM MOISTURE CONTENT FOR PRINTING
2730=     DO 104 J=1,IND1,INDFR
2740=     JX = J
2750= 104 XMEPR(J)=EMC(RH(J),T(J,2))
2760=     PRINT 212,TIME,PKCON,PKAB,XMAVE,WRAVE,WATER,DMAVE,THINC,TAVE
2770=     PRINT 215,(XM(I),I=1,IND1,INDFR)
2780=     PRINT 208,(WR(I),I=1,IND1,INDFR)
2790=     PRINT 213,(T(I,2) ,I=1,IND1,INDFR)
2800=     PRINT 214,(DM(I),I=1,IND1,INDFR)
2810=     PRINT 217,(H(I,2) ,I=1,IND1,INDFR)
2820=     PRINT 216,(RH(I),I=1,IND1,INDFR)
2830=     PRINT 219,(XMEPR(I),I=1,IND1,INDFR)
2840=     WRITE(1,220) TIME,XMAVE,DMAVE
2850=     PRINT*,NEQ1
2860=C*   CHECK IF EXIT CONDITION HAS BEEN MET...IF NOT RETURN TO BEGIN
2870=C*   NING OF TIME LOOP
2880=     IF(NEQ.EQ.4) NEQ1 = NEQ1 + 1
2890=     IF(NEQ1.EQ.4) GO TO 15
2900=     IF(NEQ.EQ.4) GO TO 88
2910= 15 IF(IEEXIT-1) 4,14,4
2920= 88 T(1,1) = V1 $ XM(1) = V2 $ H(1,1) = V3 $ RH(1) = V4
2930=     GO TO 8
2940= 14 CONTINUE

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2950=C* ENERGY REQUIREMENT FOR FORCING AIR FROM SHEDD
2960= TAMBT=40. *CROSAR=23.64
2970= TOTF=DEPTH*.00065*CFM**2/ALOG(1.+156*CFM)
2980= HF=CFM*254.5*TOTF/5200.
2990= HFHOUR=HF*TIME
3000= BTUAIR=HFHOUR/3.929E-4
3010= BTUAIR=2.*BTUAIR
3020= TINF=TIN*9./5.+32.
3030= IF((TINF-TAMBT).LT.4.)TINF=TAMBT
3040= BTUHT=(TINF-TAMBT)*GA*.5291*TIME*CROSAR
3050= BTUSTIR=TSTIR*1877.15
3060= IF(TSTIR.GT.0.)BTUAIR=.9*BTUAIR
3070= TTBTU=BTUAIR+BTUHT+BTUSTIR
3080= ENEFF=TTBTU/(WATER*CROSAR*2.2046)
3090= PRINT 800
3100= PRINT 820
3110= PRINT 830,BTUAIR,BTUHT,BTUSTIR,TTBTU
3120= PRINT 850,ENEFF
3130=C* FORMATS
3140= 150 FORMAT(4F10.0,2I10/3F10.0,I10)
3150= 200 FORMAT(2F10.2,F10.5)
3160= 210 FORMAT(1H1,42X49H ICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY
3170= 1/33X69H AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING DEPAR
3180= 2 T H E N T/47X41H F I X E D B E D D R Y E R M O D E L///
3190= 3 33XA10,A10,A10,23H THINLAYER EQUATION FORA10,///
3200= 452X31H INPUT PROPERTIES AND CONDITIONS5(/),41X,58H PROD TEMP( DEG C)
3210= 5 DB(DECIMAL) AIR FLOW (CMM/ M**2)
3220= 6/39X,3(5X,F9.4,5X)/82X,F9.4,8H (KG/HR)
3230= 74(/)11X24H HEAT CAPACITIES(JOU/KG);14X3H AIR14X7H PRODUCT10X11H WATER
3240= 8VAPOR8X12H WATER LIQUID/34X4(12XF7.2)5(/)24X13H T COEF CONV7X11H AT
3250= AMOS PRESS6X13H LAT HEAT EVAP4X18H BULK DENS DRY PROD5X14H SPEC SURF A
3260= BREA/14X5(10XF10.2)10(/)60X16H PROGRAM CONTROLS5(/)
3270= C29X19H SIMULATE A DEPTH OFF6.2,20H M BY INCREMENTS OFF7.4,18H M P
3280= DRINTING EVERYF5.2,3H M/29X19H FOR A TOTAL TIME OFF6.2,18H HR PRINT
3290= EING EVERYF5.2,3H HR/29X,8H ENJAIR =F12.2,12H FROM SHEDD)
3300= 211 FORMAT(10H1DEPTH 15F8.2)
3310= 212 FORMAT(/ ,6X6H TIME =F6.2,20X22H PERCENT CONDENSATION =F6.2,15X20H P
3320= 1ERCENT ABSORPTION =F6.2/6X15H AVERAGE MC DB =F6.4,11X15H AVERAGE MC
3330= 2WB =F6.4,22X13H H2O REMOVED =F7.2/6X17H PERCENT DM LOSS =F6.3,9X23H O
3340= 3BSEVD AVG GRAIN TEMP =,F6.2,7H DEG C,7X20H AVERAGE GRAIN TEMP =,F6
3350= 4.2)
3360= 213 FORMAT(10H0TEMP 15F8.3)
3370= 214 FORMAT(10H0DM LOSS F7.3,14F8.3)
3380= 215 FORMAT(10H0MC DB F7.3,14F8.3)
3390= 208 FORMAT(10H0MC WB F7.3,14F8.3)
3400= 216 FORMAT(10H0REL HUM 15F8.5)
3410= 217 FORMAT(10H0ABS HUM 15F8.5)
3420= 218 FORMAT(/29X,7H DELT = ,F7.3,4H HRS)
3430= 219 FORMAT(10H0EQUIL MC ,F7.3,14F8.3)
3440= 220 FORMAT(4X,F6.2,2(4X,F6.4))
3450= 800 FORMAT(*-*,7X,*ENERGY CONSUMPTION (BTU)*)
3460= 820 FORMAT(*0*,2X,*FAN *,4X,*HEATING *,2X,*STIRATOR *,3X,* TOTAL *)
3470= 830 FORMAT(* *,F9.0,3X,F9.0,3X,F7.0,3X,F9.0)
3480= 850 FORMAT(*0*,*ENERGY EFFICIENCY = *,F5.0,* BTU/LBH20*)
3490= END
3500= BLOCKDATA
3510= COMMON /PRFRTY/SA,CA,CP,CV,CW,RHOF,HFG
3520= COMMON/PRESS/PATH
3530= DATA SA,CA,CP,CV,CW,RHOF,HFG/784.12,1012.46,1121.24,1882.68,
3540= +4183.74,620.07,2.326E+06/
3550= DATA PATH/98595.0251/
3560= END

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3570=      FUNCTION EMC(RH,T)
3580=C*
3590=C*          S.F.DEROER, PROGRAMMER IN ENGLISH UNITS
3600=C*          AND
3610=C*          EDISON W. RUGUMAYO, CONVERTER TO SI UNITS
3620=C*      DESCRIPTION
3630=C*          FUNCTION COMPUTES EQUILIBRIUM MOISTURE CONTENT OF CORN
3640=C*      FROM A RELATIVE HUMIDITY AND TEMPERATURE
3650=C*      CHECK TEMPERATURE TO DETERMINE EQUATION TO BE USED
3660=      IF(T - 112.778) 234,235,235
3680=C*          DEBOER EQUATIONS
3700=C*      CHECK IF RH IS GREATER THAN .50 ..IF SO GO TO SECOND PART
3710= 234 IF(RH - .50) 300,300,309
3720=C*      PART ONE RH .LE. .50 ONLY
3740= 300 F1 = -.00070596*T + .0874496
3750=      F2 = -.00078354*T + .1188704
3760=      F3 = -.00096462*T + .1474512
3770=      S1 = 13.838*(-9.*F1 + 6.*F2 - F3)
3780=      S2 = 13.838*(4.*F3 - 9.*F2 + 6.*F1)
3790=      B = RH - .17
3800=C*      FIND INTERVAL IN WHICH RH LIES AND COMPUTE EQUILIBRIUM MOISTURE
3820=      IF (B) 301,301,302
3830= 301 EMC = (S1*RH*RH*RH/1.02 + (F1/.17 - S1*.02833)*RH)
3840=      RETURN
3850= 302 IF(RH - .34) 303,303,304
3860= 303 A = .34 - RH
3870=      EMC = (S1*A*A*A/1.02 + S2*B*B*B/1.02 + (F2/.17 - S2*.02833)*B +
3880=      +(F1/.17 - S1*.02833)*A)
3890=      RETURN
3900= 304 A = .51 - RH
3910=      EMC = S2*A*A*A/1.02 + (F3/.17)*(RH - .34) + (F2/.17 - S2*.02833)
3920=      +*A
3930=      RETURN
3940=C*      PART TWO---RH.GT. .50 ONLY
3950=C*      COMPUTE CONSTANTS
3960= 309 F0 = -.00096714*T + .1452064
3970=      F1 = -.00127350*T + .1848600
3980=      F2 = -.00134082*T + .2293632
3990=      F3 = -.00192780*T + .3588280
4000=      S1 = 13.838*(4.*F0 - 9.*F1 + 6.*F2 - F3)
4010=      S2 = 13.838*(4.*F3 - 9.*F2 + 6.*F1 - F0)
4020=      B = RH - .66
4030=      IF(B) 305,305,306
4040=C*      FIND INTERVAL IN WHICH RH LIES AND COMPUTE EQUILIBRIUM MOISTURE
4060= 305 A = RH - .49
4070=      EMC = S1*A*A*A/1.02 + (F1/.17 - S1*.02833)*A + (F0/.17)*(.66 - RH)
4080=      RETURN
4090= 306 IF(RH - .83) 307,307,308
4100= 307 A = .83 - RH
4110=      EMC = S1*A*A*A/1.02 + S2*B*B*B/1.02 + (F2/.17 - S2*.02833)*B +
4120=      +(F1/.17 - S1*.02833)*A
4130=      RETURN
4140= 308 A = 1.0 - RH
4150=      EMC = S2*A*A*A/1.02 + (F3/.17)*(RH - .83) + (F2/.17 - S2*.02833)
4160=      1*A
4170=      RETURN
4190=C*          THOMPSON EQUATION
4200=C*      T.GE. 113 DEGREES CELCUS
4220= 235 EMC = .01*SQR((-ALOG(1. - RH))/(.0000382*(1.8*T + 82.)))
4230=      RETURN
4240=      END

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4250=*DECK LAYERQ
4260=      SUBROUTINE LAYERQ
4270=C*
4280=C*      L.E. LEREW, PROGRAMMER
4290=C*
4300=C*      E.W.RUGUMAYO, SI-UNIT CONVERTER AND
4310=C*      MODIFIER 1978
4320=C*
4330=C*      DESCRIPTION
4340=C*      SUBROUTINE TO FIND THE MOISTURE CONTENT BASED ON EQUATIONS
4350=C*      BY M.A.SABBAH, E.W.RUGUMAYO ,MISRA AND P.M.DEL GUIDICE
4360=C*
4370=C*      USAGE
4380=C*      USED IN THE FIXED BED AND CROSS FLOW MODELS WITH GRAIN
4390=C*      TEMPERATURE LESS THAN 26.7 DEG CELCIUS ( 80.0 F )
4400=C*
4410=      COMMON/MAIN/XMC,TH,RH,DELT,CMM,XMO,KAB,TIME
4420=      COMMON/NAME/INAME,IPROD,NEQ,NEQ1
4430=      DIMENSION INAME(3)
4440=      DATA INAME,IPROD/10HSABBAH AND,10H RUGUMAYO ,10HAND MISRA ,10H COR
4450=      IN      /
4460=      DATA TGUESS/1.0/
4470=C*      CALL READYTH FOR PRELIMINARY CHECKS AND CALCULATIONS
4480=      CALL READYTH(TXMO,DELM,XME,IOOFS,XMR)
4490=      IF(IOOFS - 1) 1,20,1
4500=      1 RSQ = RH*RH
4510=      X = SQRT(6.0142 + .1453E-3*RSQ) - (1.8*TH + 32.)*SQRT(.3353E-3 +
4520=      1.3E-7*RSQ)
4530=      Y = .1245 - .2197E-2*RH - (1.8*TH + 32.)*( .23E-4*RH + .58E-4)
4540=      R=25.592-38.6298*XMC+26.6824*ALOG10(XMC)-0.0044*(XMC*2.)*
4550=      2(TH+273.16)*EXP(RSQ)
4560=      K = 0
4570=      T1 = TGUESS
4580=C*      CHECK IF DERIVATIVE IS VERY LARGE.. IF SO ASSIGN T1 = 0.0
4590=      IF(XMR.LT..999) GO TO 2
4600=      T1=0.0
4610=      GO TO 4
4620=C*      CHECK FOR EQUILIBRIUM CONDITIONS
4630=      2 IF(XMC - XME.LT..0001) GO TO 70
4640=      U=ALOG(-ALOG(XMR))
4650=      IF(NEQ1.EQ.1) U=ALOG(XMR)
4660=C*      IF Y IS POSITIVE, EQUATION WILL NEVER REACH XME
4670=C*      TIMAX IS THE CLOSEST APPROACH USED TO LIMIT SEARCH .
4680=      TIMAX = 2000.
4690=      IF(Y.LE.0.) GO TO 3
4700=      IF(X.LE.0.) GO TO 3
4710=      IF(R.GE.0.) GO TO 3
4720=      TIMAX = (0.664/(X*Y))**(1.0/Y)
4730=C*      NEWTON - RAPHSON TECHNIQUE TO FIND EQUIVALENT TIME
4740=      3 Z1 = X*T1**Y - .664*ALOG(T1) + U
4750=      IF(NEQ1.EQ.1) Z1=U-R*T1
4760=      IF(ABS(Z1).LT..001) GO TO 4
4770=      Z2 = X*Y*T1**(Y-1.) - .664/T1
4780=      IF(NEQ1.EQ.1) Z2=-R
4790=      T2 = T1 - Z1/Z2
4800=      K = K + 1

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4810=      IF(T2.LE.0.0) T2 = T1/5.
4820=      IF(T2.GE.T1MAX) GO TO 4
4830=      T1 = T2
4840=      IF(K.LT.20) GO TO 3
4850=      PRINT 210,K
4860= 210  FORMAT(33H0THE METHOD HAS NOT CONVERGED IN I2,11H ITERATIONS)
4870=      PRINT 211,XMC,TH,RH,XME
4880= 211  FORMAT(* LAYEQ.  XMC=*F8.5* TH=*F8.3* RH=*F8.5* XME=*F8.5)
4890=C*   ADD DELT TO EQUIVALENT TIME,SOLVE FOR NEW M AND RETURN
4900=      4 T1=T1+DELT
4910=C*   CORN THIN LAYER EQUATIONS FOR LOW TEMPERATURE DRYING
4920=C*
4930=      5 IF(TIME.LE.0.0) DELT = 0.0
4940=C*   RUGUMAYO DRYING EQUATION ONE FOR WHOLE TEMPERATURE RANGE
4950=      IF(NEQ1.EQ.1) XMC=DELM*EXP(R*T1)+XME
4960=      IF(NEQ1.EQ.1) RETURN
4970=      IF(NEQ1.EQ.2) GO TO 6
4980=C*   SARRAH DRYING EQUATION
4990=      IF(NEQ1.EQ.3) XMC = DELM*EXP(-(EXP(-X*T1**Y)*T1**.664) + XME
5000=      IF(NEQ1.EQ.3) RETURN
5010=      IF(NEQ1.EQ.4) GO TO 21
5020=C*   MISRA(1978) DRYING EQUATION
5030=      6 XMC = DELM*EXP(-(EXP(-7.1735 + 1.2793*ALOG(1.8*TH + 32.0) +
5040=      20.0061*CMH)))*TIME**(0.0811*ALOG(100.0*RH) + 0.0078*XMD)) + XME
5050=      IF(NEQ1.EQ.2) RETURN
5060= 21  NEQ1 = 1
5070=      GO TO 5
5080=C*
5090=C*   ABSORPTION SIMULATION
5100=C*   FIND NEW M AND INCREMENT COUNTER
5110= 20  DIV = -4.309*PSDB(TH + 273.16)**(.466*RH)*RH*RH*RH
5120=      IF(NEQ1.NE.1) GO TO 22
5130=      RSQ=RH*RH
5140=      R1=162.1179-487.9552*XMC+118.6144
5150=      1*ALOG10(XMC)+0.69658*(TH+273.16)*(XMC*2.)*EXP(RSQ)
5160=C
5170= 22  IF(TIME.LE.0.0) DELT = 0.0
5180=C*   RUGUMAYO ABSORPTION EQUATION FOR WHOLE LOW TEMPERATURE RANGE
5190=      IF(NEQ1.EQ.1) XMC = DELM*EXP(R1*T1)+XME
5200=      IF(NEQ1.EQ.1) GO TO 60
5210=      IF(NEQ1.EQ.2) GO TO 25
5220=C*   DEL GUIDICE EQUATION (1959)
5230=      IF(NEQ1.EQ.3) XMC = (XMC - XME)*EXP(DIV*DELT) + XME
5240=      IF(NEQ1.EQ.3) GO TO 60
5250=C*   MISRA(1978) REWETTING EQUATION
5260= 25  XMC = DELM*EXP(-(EXP(-8.5122 + 1.2178*ALOG(1.8*TH + 32.0) +
5270=      20.0864*XMD))*TIME**( 2.1876 - 1.67*RH)) + XME
5280=      IF(NEQ1.EQ.2) GO TO 60
5290=      NEQ1 = 1
5300=      GO TO 22
5310= 60  IF(NEQ.NE.4) KAB = KAB + 1
5320=      IF(NEQ.EQ.4.AND.NEQ1.EQ.3) KAB = KAB + 1
5330=      RETURN
5340= 70  XMC = XME
5350=      RETURN
5360=      END

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5370=      SUBROUTINE READYTH(TXMO,DELM,XME,IOOFS,XMR)
5380=C*
5390=C*
5400=C*      DESCRIPTION
5410=C*      SUBROUTINE MAKES PRELIMINARY CHECKS AND CALCULATIONS
5420=C*      FOR THIN LAYER EQUATIONS
5430=C*
5440=C*      USAGE
5450=C*      USED WITH LAYED IN FIXED AND CROSS FLOW DRYER MODELS
5460=C*
5470=      COMMON/MAIN/XMC,TH,RH,DELT,CMM,XMO,KAB,TIME
5480=      COMMON/NAME/INAME,IFROD,NEQ,NEQ1
5490=      DIMENSION INAME(3)
5500=      IOOFS = 0
5510=C*      COMPUTE EQUILIBRIUM MOISTURE CONTENT, COMPARE TO PRESENT
5520=C*      MOISTURE CONTENT... IF GREATER SET IOOFS = 1
5530=      XME = EMC(RH,TH)
5540=      IF(XME - XMC) 2,1,1
5550=      1 IOOFS = 1
5560=C*      COMPARE PRESENT MOISTURE CONTENT TO INITIAL MOISTURE CONTENT
5570=C*      SET TXMO = THE LARGER VALUE
5580=      2 IF(XMO - XMC) 3,4,4
5590=      3 TXMO = XMC
5600=      GO TO 5
5610=      4 TXMO = XMO
5620=C*      COMPUTE MOISTURE RATIO
5630=      5 DELM = TXMO - XME
5640=      XMR = (XMC - XME)/DELM
5650=      RETURN
5660=      END
5670=      FUNCTION SOLVE(HJ2)
5680=C*
5690=C*      COMPUTES T(J,2), XMT, RH(J) AND ICON GIVEN H(J,2)
5700=C*      SOLVE RETURNS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE COMPUTED M AND
5710=C*      THE M PREDICTED BY THE DRYING EQUATION
5720=C*
5730=      COMMON /ARRAYS/ T(51,2),H(51,2),XM(51),RH(51)
5740=      COMMON /CONS/ CON1,CON2,CON3,CON4,CON5,CON6,CON7,CON12,CON13
5750=      COMMON /FLAGS/ J,JM,ICON
5760=      COMMON /MAIN/ XMT,THT,RHT,DELT,CMM,XMO,KAB,TIME
5770=      COMMON /PRPTY/ SA,CA,CP,CV,CW,RHOF,HFG
5780=      F(T) = T + 273.16
5790=      DATA RHC /.9999999999/
5800=      ICON=0
5810=      H(J,2)=HJ2
5820=C*      T EQUATION
5830=      T1=CON1*(H(J,2)-H(JM,2))
5840=      T2=CON1*(CA+CV*H(JM,2))
5850=      T3=CON4*(CP+CW*XM(J))
5860=      T(J,2)=(-T1*CON3+T2*T(JM,2)+T3*T(J,1))/(-T1*CON2+T2+T3)
5870=      IF(T(J,2).LT.-17.8) GO TO 7
5880=      TABS=F(T(J,2))
5890=C*      COMPUTE RH AND CHECK FOR CONDENSATION
5900=      RH(J)=RHDBHA(TABS,H(J,2))
5910=      IF(RH(J)-RHC)111,7,7

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5920=C*   CONDENSATION SIMULATOR
5930=    7 TS=(T2*T(JM,2)+T3*T(J,1))/(T2+T3) * TABS=F(TS)
5940=      HS=HAPBRH(TABS,RHC)
5950=      DHDT=HS-HAPBRH(TABS-1.00,RHC)
5960=      T1=HS-H(JM,2)-DHDT*TS
5970=      A=CON12*DHDIT
5980=      B=CON12*T1-T2-T3-CON13*DHDIT
5990=      C=T2*T(JM,2)+T3*T(J,1)-CON13*T1
6000=      T(J,2)=(-B-SQRT(B*B-4.*A*C))/(2.*A)
6010=      H(J,2)=HS+DHDIT*(T(J,2)-TS)
6020=      RH(J)=RHDBHA(F(T(J,2)),H(J,2))
6030=      ICON=1
6040=C*   FIND M ACCORDING TO THIN LAYEE DRYING EQUATION
6050=    111 XMT=XM(J) * THT=T(J,2) * RHT=RH(J)
6060=      CALL LAYEQ
6070=      SOLVE=XMT-XM(J)+CON6*(HJ2-H(JM,2))
6080=C*   M EQUATION
6090=      XMT=XM(J)-CON6*(H(J,2)-H(JM,2))
6100=      RETURN
6110=      END
6120=*EOR
6130= .2996      10.      6.51      3.6577560      1      3
6140= 700.      4.      1.      3
6145=*EOF

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M I C H I G A N S T A T E U N I V E R S I T Y A G R I C U L T U R A L E N G I N E E R I N G D E P A R T M E N T F I X E D B E D D R Y E R M O D E L

SABBAM AND RUGUMAYO AND MISRA THINLAYER EQUATION FOR CORN

INPUT PROPERTIES AND CONDITIONS

PROD TEMP(DEG C) DB(DECIMAL) AIR FLOW (CMH/ M**2)
60.0000 .2996 6.5900
333.7087 (KG/HR)

HEAT CAPACITIES(JOU/KG):

WATER LIQUID
4183.74

WATER VAPOR
1882.68

PRODUCT
1121.24

AIR
1012.46

M T COEF CONV
111703.91

ATMOS PRESS
98595.03

LAT HEAT EVAP
2326000.00

BULK DENS DRY PROD
620.07

SPEC SURF AREA
784.12

PROGRAM CONTROLS

SIMULATE A DEPTH OF 3.66 M BY INCREMENTS OF .333 M PRINTING EVERY .33 M
FOR A TOTAL TIME OF 800.00 HR PRINTING EVERY 4.00 HR
ENJAIR = 31237256.77 FROM SHEDD
DELT = 1.000 MRS

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| DEPTH | 0.00 | .33 | .67 | 1.00 | 1.33 | 1.67 | 2.00 | 2.33 | 2.67 | 3.00 | 3.33 | |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--|
| TIME = 1.00 AVERAGE MC DB = .2803 PERCENT DM LOSS = .011 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MC DB | .220 | .280 | .281 | .283 | .285 | .286 | .287 | .289 | .290 | .290 | .291 | PERCENT ABSORPTION = 0.00 H2O REMOVED = 41.79 AVERAGE GRAIN TEMP = 40.75 |
| MC WB | .181 | .219 | .220 | .221 | .222 | .222 | .223 | .224 | .225 | .225 | .226 | |
| TEMP | 14.520 | 29.211 | 35.964 | 39.767 | 42.363 | 44.363 | 46.001 | 47.382 | 48.568 | 49.599 | 50.503 | |
| DM LOSS | .011 | .011 | .011 | .011 | .011 | .011 | .011 | .011 | .011 | .011 | .011 | |
| ABS HUM | .00555 | .01751 | .02876 | .03902 | .04827 | .05660 | .06413 | .07096 | .07718 | .08286 | .08806 | |
| REL HUM | .52758 | .66607 | .73520 | .79929 | .85001 | .88720 | .91402 | .93355 | .94801 | .95892 | .96728 | |
| EQUIL MC | .140 | .149 | .152 | .164 | .182 | .199 | .213 | .223 | .230 | .236 | .240 | |
| TIME = 4.00 AVERAGE MC DB = .2650 PERCENT DM LOSS = .027 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MC DB | .213 | .265 | .268 | .268 | .268 | .269 | .271 | .272 | .273 | .274 | .275 | PERCENT ABSORPTION = 0.00 H2O REMOVED = 78.55 AVERAGE GRAIN TEMP = 20.41 |
| MC WB | .175 | .209 | .211 | .211 | .212 | .212 | .213 | .214 | .214 | .215 | .216 | |
| TEMP | 14.520 | 12.033 | 13.486 | 15.691 | 18.025 | 20.310 | 22.431 | 24.420 | 26.204 | 27.886 | 29.477 | |
| DM LOSS | .027 | .027 | .027 | .027 | .027 | .027 | .027 | .027 | .027 | .027 | .027 | |
| ABS HUM | .00555 | .00734 | .00847 | .00989 | .01161 | .01353 | .01572 | .01798 | .02039 | .02281 | .02529 | |
| REL HUM | .52758 | .81812 | .85704 | .86618 | .87463 | .88103 | .89578 | .90573 | .92015 | .92936 | .93590 | |
| EQUIL MC | .140 | .208 | .226 | .228 | .230 | .231 | .237 | .241 | .248 | .252 | .254 | |
| TIME = 8.00 AVERAGE MC DB = .2592 PERCENT DM LOSS = .033 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MC DB | .205 | .236 | .265 | .265 | .265 | .265 | .265 | .266 | .266 | .266 | .267 | PERCENT ABSORPTION = 0.00 H2O REMOVED = 91.70 AVERAGE GRAIN TEMP = 13.01 |
| MC WB | .170 | .204 | .209 | .210 | .209 | .209 | .210 | .210 | .210 | .210 | .211 | |
| TEMP | 14.520 | 11.399 | 10.640 | 10.803 | 11.273 | 11.837 | 12.582 | 13.545 | 14.467 | 15.467 | 16.526 | |
| DM LOSS | .033 | .033 | .033 | .033 | .033 | .033 | .033 | .033 | .033 | .033 | .033 | |
| ABS HUM | .00555 | .00676 | .00715 | .00730 | .00745 | .00780 | .00822 | .00863 | .00921 | .00990 | .01067 | |
| REL HUM | .52758 | .78686 | .87475 | .86325 | .87351 | .88060 | .89242 | .86962 | .87351 | .87952 | .88501 | |
| EQUIL MC | .140 | .197 | .241 | .246 | .239 | .243 | .243 | .233 | .234 | .237 | .239 | |
| TIME = 12.00 AVERAGE MC DB = .2568 PERCENT DM LOSS = .034 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MC DB | .199 | .249 | .262 | .265 | .265 | .264 | .264 | .264 | .264 | .264 | .264 | PERCENT ABSORPTION = 0.00 H2O REMOVED = 97.01 AVERAGE GRAIN TEMP = 11.29 |
| MC WB | .166 | .199 | .208 | .209 | .209 | .209 | .209 | .209 | .209 | .209 | .209 | |
| TEMP | 14.520 | 11.709 | 10.689 | 10.407 | 10.431 | 10.517 | 10.632 | 10.851 | 11.099 | 11.460 | 11.825 | |
| DM LOSS | .034 | .034 | .034 | .034 | .034 | .034 | .034 | .034 | .034 | .034 | .034 | |
| ABS HUM | .00555 | .00663 | .00697 | .00712 | .00717 | .00722 | .00727 | .00732 | .00747 | .00762 | .00787 | |
| REL HUM | .52758 | .75544 | .84980 | .88431 | .88904 | .89005 | .89931 | .88236 | .88556 | .88177 | .88864 | |
| EQUIL MC | .140 | .188 | .225 | .247 | .250 | .251 | .250 | .245 | .247 | .244 | .248 | |

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| TIME = 36.00 AVERAGE MC DB = -249.1 PERCENT DM LOSS = .041 | | | | | | | | | | PERCENT CONDENSATION = 0.00 AVERAGE MC WB = .1991 OBSVD AVG GRAIN TEMP = 11.05 | | | | | | | | | | PERCENT ABSORPTION = 18.18 H2O REMOVED = 114.58 AVERAGE GRAIN TEMP = 11.05 | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| MC DB | .180 | .216 | .243 | .257 | .263 | .262 | .263 | .264 | .264 | MC DB | .263 | .264 | .263 | .264 | .264 | .264 | .264 | .264 | .264 | MC DB | .263 | .264 | .263 | .264 | .264 | .264 | .264 | .264 | .264 |
| MC WB | .153 | .178 | .195 | .204 | .208 | .208 | .208 | .209 | .209 | MC WB | .208 | .209 | .208 | .209 | .208 | .209 | .209 | .209 | .209 | MC WB | .208 | .209 | .208 | .209 | .208 | .209 | .209 | .209 | .209 |
| TEMP | 14.520 | 12.982 | 11.483 | 10.633 | 10.482 | 10.334 | 10.193 | 10.235 | 10.235 | TEMP | 10.633 | 10.482 | 10.334 | 10.193 | 10.235 | 10.187 | 10.263 | 10.183 | 10.183 | TEMP | 10.633 | 10.482 | 10.334 | 10.193 | 10.235 | 10.187 | 10.263 | 10.183 | 10.183 |
| DM LOSS | .041 | .041 | .041 | .041 | .041 | .041 | .041 | .041 | .041 | DM LOSS | .041 | .041 | .041 | .041 | .041 | .041 | .043 | .043 | .043 | DM LOSS | .041 | .041 | .041 | .041 | .041 | .041 | .041 | .041 | .041 |
| ABS HUM | .00555 | .00615 | .00672 | .00705 | .00710 | .00715 | .00720 | .00715 | .00720 | ABS HUM | .00705 | .00710 | .00715 | .00720 | .00715 | .00720 | .00721 | .00716 | .00721 | ABS HUM | .00705 | .00710 | .00715 | .00720 | .00715 | .00720 | .00715 | .00720 | .00720 |
| REL HUM | .52758 | .64516 | .77745 | .86223 | .87710 | .89194 | .90659 | .89788 | .89788 | REL HUM | .86223 | .87710 | .89194 | .90659 | .89788 | .90698 | .89616 | .90720 | .90720 | REL HUM | .86223 | .87710 | .89194 | .90659 | .89788 | .90698 | .89616 | .90720 | .90720 |
| EQUIL MC | .140 | .166 | .194 | .233 | .242 | .253 | .263 | .257 | .257 | EQUIL MC | .233 | .242 | .253 | .263 | .257 | .264 | .256 | .264 | .264 | EQUIL MC | .233 | .242 | .253 | .263 | .257 | .264 | .256 | .264 | .264 |
| TIME = 40.00 AVERAGE MC DB = -248.0 PERCENT DM LOSS = .042 | | | | | | | | | | PERCENT CONDENSATION = 0.00 AVERAGE MC WB = .1983 OBSVD AVG GRAIN TEMP = 11.09 | | | | | | | | | | PERCENT ABSORPTION = 18.18 H2O REMOVED = 117.12 AVERAGE GRAIN TEMP = 11.09 | | | | | | | | | |
| MC DB | .178 | .213 | .239 | .255 | .262 | .262 | .263 | .264 | .264 | MC DB | .255 | .262 | .262 | .263 | .264 | .264 | .264 | .264 | .264 | MC DB | .255 | .262 | .262 | .263 | .264 | .264 | .264 | .264 | .264 |
| MC WB | .151 | .175 | .193 | .203 | .208 | .208 | .208 | .209 | .209 | MC WB | .203 | .208 | .208 | .208 | .209 | .209 | .209 | .209 | .209 | MC WB | .203 | .208 | .208 | .208 | .209 | .209 | .209 | .209 | .209 |
| TEMP | 14.520 | 13.095 | 11.587 | 10.691 | 10.554 | 10.410 | 10.262 | 10.183 | 10.183 | TEMP | 10.691 | 10.554 | 10.410 | 10.262 | 10.183 | 10.316 | 10.181 | 10.320 | 10.320 | TEMP | 10.691 | 10.554 | 10.410 | 10.262 | 10.183 | 10.316 | 10.181 | 10.320 | 10.320 |
| DM LOSS | .042 | .042 | .042 | .042 | .042 | .042 | .042 | .042 | .042 | DM LOSS | .042 | .042 | .042 | .042 | .042 | .042 | .042 | .042 | .042 | DM LOSS | .042 | .042 | .042 | .042 | .042 | .042 | .042 | .042 | .042 |
| ABS HUM | .00555 | .00610 | .00672 | .00705 | .00710 | .00715 | .00720 | .00725 | .00725 | ABS HUM | .00705 | .00710 | .00715 | .00720 | .00725 | .00719 | .00724 | .00717 | .00717 | ABS HUM | .00705 | .00710 | .00715 | .00720 | .00725 | .00719 | .00724 | .00717 | .00717 |
| REL HUM | .52758 | .63603 | .77653 | .85892 | .87284 | .88743 | .90242 | .91341 | .89493 | REL HUM | .85892 | .87284 | .88743 | .90242 | .91341 | .89493 | .91333 | .89570 | .89570 | REL HUM | .85892 | .87284 | .88743 | .90242 | .91341 | .89493 | .91333 | .89570 | .89570 |
| EQUIL MC | .140 | .164 | .194 | .231 | .239 | .249 | .260 | .268 | .258 | EQUIL MC | .231 | .239 | .249 | .260 | .268 | .258 | .268 | .255 | .255 | EQUIL MC | .231 | .239 | .249 | .260 | .268 | .258 | .268 | .255 | .255 |
| TIME = 44.00 AVERAGE MC DB = -246.8 PERCENT DM LOSS = .043 | | | | | | | | | | PERCENT CONDENSATION = 0.00 AVERAGE MC WB = .1975 OBSVD AVG GRAIN TEMP = 11.12 | | | | | | | | | | PERCENT ABSORPTION = 18.18 H2O REMOVED = 119.72 AVERAGE GRAIN TEMP = 11.12 | | | | | | | | | |
| MC DB | .176 | .209 | .235 | .253 | .261 | .262 | .263 | .264 | .264 | MC DB | .253 | .261 | .262 | .263 | .264 | .264 | .264 | .264 | .264 | MC DB | .253 | .261 | .262 | .263 | .264 | .264 | .264 | .264 | .264 |
| MC WB | .150 | .173 | .190 | .202 | .207 | .207 | .208 | .209 | .209 | MC WB | .202 | .207 | .207 | .208 | .209 | .209 | .209 | .209 | .209 | MC WB | .202 | .207 | .207 | .208 | .209 | .209 | .209 | .209 | .209 |
| TEMP | 14.520 | 13.196 | 11.722 | 10.793 | 10.425 | 10.319 | 10.275 | 10.331 | 10.284 | TEMP | 10.793 | 10.425 | 10.319 | 10.275 | 10.331 | 10.263 | 10.284 | 10.219 | 10.219 | TEMP | 10.793 | 10.425 | 10.319 | 10.275 | 10.331 | 10.263 | 10.284 | 10.219 | 10.219 |
| DM LOSS | .043 | .043 | .043 | .043 | .043 | .043 | .043 | .043 | .043 | DM LOSS | .043 | .043 | .043 | .043 | .043 | .043 | .043 | .043 | .043 | DM LOSS | .043 | .043 | .043 | .043 | .043 | .043 | .043 | .043 | .043 |
| ABS HUM | .00555 | .00607 | .00663 | .00700 | .00715 | .00720 | .00725 | .00716 | .00721 | ABS HUM | .00700 | .00715 | .00720 | .00725 | .00716 | .00721 | .00716 | .00721 | .00721 | ABS HUM | .00700 | .00715 | .00720 | .00725 | .00716 | .00721 | .00716 | .00721 | .00721 |
| REL HUM | .52758 | .62789 | .75554 | .84758 | .88696 | .89947 | .90830 | .89407 | .90433 | REL HUM | .84758 | .88696 | .89947 | .90830 | .89407 | .90433 | .89693 | .90701 | .90701 | REL HUM | .84758 | .88696 | .89947 | .90830 | .89407 | .90433 | .89693 | .90701 | .90701 |
| EQUIL MC | .140 | .162 | .188 | .224 | .249 | .258 | .265 | .254 | .262 | EQUIL MC | .224 | .249 | .258 | .265 | .254 | .262 | .256 | .264 | .264 | EQUIL MC | .224 | .249 | .258 | .265 | .254 | .262 | .256 | .264 | .264 |
| STIRRING OCCURRED AT 48.00 HRS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TIME = 48.00 AVERAGE MC DB = -245.7 PERCENT DM LOSS = .045 | | | | | | | | | | PERCENT CONDENSATION = 0.00 AVERAGE MC WB = .1972 OBSVD AVG GRAIN TEMP = 11.38 | | | | | | | | | | PERCENT ABSORPTION = 13.64 H2O REMOVED = 122.35 AVERAGE GRAIN TEMP = 11.38 | | | | | | | | | |
| MC DB | .245 | .244 | .245 | .246 | .246 | .246 | .246 | .246 | .246 | MC DB | .246 | .246 | .246 | .246 | .246 | .246 | .246 | .246 | .246 | MC DB | .246 | .246 | .246 | .246 | .246 | .246 | .246 | .246 | .246 |
| MC WB | .197 | .196 | .197 | .197 | .197 | .197 | .197 | .197 | .197 | MC WB | .197 | .197 | .197 | .197 | .197 | .197 | .197 | .197 | .197 | MC WB | .197 | .197 | .197 | .197 | .197 | .197 | .197 | .197 | .197 |
| TEMP | 14.520 | 11.611 | 11.006 | 10.925 | 10.890 | 10.984 | 11.025 | 11.043 | 11.055 | TEMP | 10.925 | 10.890 | 10.984 | 11.025 | 11.043 | 11.050 | 11.054 | 11.055 | 11.055 | TEMP | 10.925 | 10.890 | 10.984 | 11.025 | 11.043 | 11.050 | 11.054 | 11.055 | 11.055 |
| DM LOSS | .045 | .045 | .045 | .045 | .045 | .045 | .045 | .045 | .045 | DM LOSS | .045 | .045 | .045 | .045 | .045 | .045 | .045 | .045 | .045 | DM LOSS | .045 | .045 | .045 | .045 | .045 | .045 | .045 | .045 | .045 |
| ABS HUM | .00555 | .00647 | .00679 | .00694 | .00709 | .00714 | .00719 | .00724 | .00739 | ABS HUM | .00694 | .00709 | .00714 | .00719 | .00724 | .00729 | .00734 | .00739 | .00739 | ABS HUM | .00694 | .00709 | .00714 | .00719 | .00724 | .00729 | .00734 | .00739 | .00739 |
| REL HUM | .52758 | .74274 | .81052 | .83269 | .85248 | .85309 | .85667 | .86155 | .86696 | REL HUM | .83269 | .85248 | .85309 | .85667 | .86155 | .86699 | .87267 | .87846 | .87846 | REL HUM | .83269 | .85248 | .85309 | .85667 | .86155 | .86699 | .87267 | .87846 | .87846 |
| EQUIL MC | .140 | .185 | .206 | .216 | .227 | .227 | .229 | .232 | .235 | EQUIL MC | .216 | .227 | .227 | .229 | .232 | .235 | .239 | .242 | .242 | EQUIL MC | .216 | .227 | .227 | .229 | .232 | .235 | .239 | .242 | .242 |

| TIME = 10.00 | | | | PERCENT CONDENSATION = 0.00 | | | | PERCENT ABSORPTION = 0.00 | | | | |
|------------------------|--------|--------|--------|---------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|----------------------------|--------|--------|--------|------|
| AVERAGE MC WB = .2262 | | | | AVERAGE MC WB = .1845 | | | | H2O REMOVED = 166.43 | | | | |
| PERCENT DM LOSS = .055 | | | | OBSERVED AVG GRAIN TEMP = 11.5R | | | | AVERAGE GRAIN TEMP = 11.5R | | | | |
| MC DB | .216 | .223 | .226 | .227 | .228 | .228 | .228 | .228 | .228 | .228 | .228 | .228 |
| MC WB | .177 | .182 | .185 | .185 | .185 | .186 | .186 | .186 | .186 | .186 | .186 | .186 |
| TEMP | 14.520 | 12.629 | 11.818 | 11.382 | 11.151 | 11.029 | 10.972 | 10.956 | 10.965 | 10.984 | 11.005 | |
| DM LOSS | .055 | .055 | .055 | .055 | .055 | .055 | .055 | .055 | .055 | .055 | .055 | |
| ABS HUM | .00655 | .00627 | .00657 | .00672 | .00677 | .00682 | .00687 | .00692 | .00697 | .00702 | .00707 | |
| REL HUM | .52758 | .67382 | .74334 | .78238 | .80027 | .81265 | .82167 | .82845 | .83389 | .83874 | .84348 | |
| EQUIL MC | .140 | .171 | .185 | .196 | .202 | .207 | .211 | .214 | .217 | .219 | .221 | |
| TIME = 10.00 | | | | PERCENT CONDENSATION = 0.00 | | | | PERCENT ABSORPTION = 9.09 | | | | |
| AVERAGE MC WB = .2246 | | | | AVERAGE MC WB = .1834 | | | | H2O REMOVED = 170.17 | | | | |
| PERCENT DM LOSS = .056 | | | | OBSERVED AVG GRAIN TEMP = 11.56 | | | | AVERAGE GRAIN TEMP = 11.56 | | | | |
| MC DB | .207 | .219 | .224 | .226 | .227 | .228 | .228 | .228 | .228 | .228 | .228 | |
| MC WB | .172 | .179 | .183 | .185 | .185 | .185 | .186 | .186 | .186 | .186 | .186 | |
| TEMP | 14.520 | 12.911 | 11.651 | 11.440 | 11.109 | 11.020 | 10.919 | 10.820 | 10.800 | 10.847 | 10.874 | |
| DM LOSS | .056 | .056 | .056 | .056 | .056 | .056 | .056 | .056 | .056 | .056 | .056 | |
| ABS HUM | .00555 | .00617 | .00657 | .00672 | .00687 | .00692 | .00697 | .00702 | .00707 | .00707 | .00697 | |
| REL HUM | .52758 | .65065 | .74269 | .76034 | .81529 | .82599 | .83749 | .84896 | .85609 | .86421 | .86975 | |

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|---|---|--------|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| TIME = 272.00 AVERAGE MC DB = -18.47 PERCENT DM LOSS = .072 | PERCENT CONDENSATION = 0.00 AVERAGE MC WB = .1554 OBSLVD AVG GRAIN TEMP = 13.19 | DEG C | PERCENT ABSORPTION = 0.00 H2O REMOVED = 260.71 AVERAGE GRAIN TEMP = 13.19 | | | | | | |
| MC DB | .173 | .179 | .182 | .183 | .187 | .188 | .188 | .188 | .188 |
| MC WB | .148 | .152 | .154 | .154 | .157 | .158 | .158 | .158 | .158 |
| TEMP | 14.520 | 14.141 | 13.756 | 13.369 | 13.163 | 13.020 | 12.849 | 12.758 | 12.625 |
| DM LOSS | .072 | .072 | .072 | .072 | .072 | .072 | .072 | .072 | .072 |
| ABS HUM | .00555 | .00570 | .00585 | .00600 | .00605 | .00610 | .00615 | .00620 | .00625 |
| REL HUM | .52758 | .55517 | .58402 | .61415 | .62758 | .63867 | .64937 | .66021 | .67131 |
| EQUIL MC | .140 | .146 | .153 | .159 | .162 | .164 | .167 | .169 | .171 |
| TIME = 276.00 AVERAGE MC DB = -18.41 PERCENT DM LOSS = .072 | PERCENT CONDENSATION = 0.00 AVERAGE MC WB = .1554 OBSLVD AVG GRAIN TEMP = 13.23 | DEG C | PERCENT ABSORPTION = 0.00 H2O REMOVED = 268.05 AVERAGE GRAIN TEMP = 13.23 | | | | | | |
| MC DB | .172 | .178 | .182 | .182 | .187 | .187 | .187 | .187 | .187 |
| MC WB | .147 | .151 | .154 | .154 | .157 | .158 | .158 | .158 | .158 |
| TEMP | 14.520 | 14.144 | 13.766 | 13.388 | 13.252 | 13.109 | 12.963 | 12.817 | 12.674 |
| DM LOSS | .072 | .072 | .072 | .072 | .072 | .072 | .072 | .072 | .072 |
| ABS HUM | .00555 | .00570 | .00585 | .00600 | .00605 | .00610 | .00615 | .00620 | .00625 |
| REL HUM | .52758 | .55506 | .58364 | .61339 | .62395 | .63496 | .64625 | .65769 | .66919 |
| EQUIL MC | .140 | .146 | .153 | .159 | .161 | .164 | .166 | .168 | .170 |
| TIME = 280.00 AVERAGE MC DB = -18.35 PERCENT DM LOSS = .072 | PERCENT CONDENSATION = 0.00 AVERAGE MC WB = .1550 OBSLVD AVG GRAIN TEMP = 13.26 | DEG C | PERCENT ABSORPTION = 0.00 H2O REMOVED = 263.37 AVERAGE GRAIN TEMP = 13.26 | | | | | | |
| MC DB | .171 | .177 | .181 | .181 | .186 | .187 | .187 | .187 | .187 |
| MC WB | .146 | .151 | .153 | .153 | .157 | .158 | .158 | .158 | .158 |
| TEMP | 14.520 | 14.144 | 13.768 | 13.454 | 13.260 | 13.118 | 12.980 | 12.857 | 12.723 |
| DM LOSS | .072 | .072 | .072 | .072 | .072 | .072 | .072 | .072 | .072 |
| ABS HUM | .00555 | .00570 | .00585 | .00600 | .00605 | .00610 | .00615 | .00620 | .00625 |
| REL HUM | .52758 | .55505 | .58359 | .61076 | .62362 | .63459 | .64520 | .65597 | .66705 |
| EQUIL MC | .140 | .146 | .153 | .159 | .161 | .164 | .166 | .168 | .170 |
| TIME = 281.00 AVERAGE MC DB = -18.33 PERCENT DM LOSS = .073 | PERCENT CONDENSATION = 0.00 AVERAGE MC WB = .1549 OBSLVD AVG GRAIN TEMP = 13.26 | DEG C | PERCENT ABSORPTION = 0.00 H2O REMOVED = 263.70 AVERAGE GRAIN TEMP = 13.26 | | | | | | |
| MC DB | .170 | .177 | .180 | .181 | .186 | .187 | .187 | .187 | .187 |
| MC WB | .145 | .150 | .153 | .153 | .157 | .158 | .158 | .158 | .158 |
| TEMP | 14.520 | 14.144 | 13.768 | 13.542 | 13.216 | 13.105 | 12.964 | 12.858 | 12.727 |
| DM LOSS | .073 | .073 | .073 | .073 | .073 | .073 | .073 | .073 | .073 |
| ABS HUM | .00555 | .00570 | .00585 | .00590 | .00605 | .00610 | .00615 | .00620 | .00625 |
| REL HUM | .52758 | .55505 | .58359 | .59723 | .62540 | .63510 | .64535 | .65594 | .66685 |
| EQUIL MC | .140 | .146 | .153 | .156 | .162 | .164 | .166 | .168 | .170 |

APPENDIX E

CONVERSION FACTORS

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| Unit Conversions | English or Metric | SI |
|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| Area | 1 ft ² | 9.290x10 ⁻² m ² |
| Convective Heat-Transfer Coefficient | 1 BTU/h ft ² °F | 5.678 W/m ² °C |
| Density | 1 lb/ft ³ | 1.602x10 kg/m ³ |
| Energy | 1 kcal 1 BTU | 4.187x10 ³ J 1.055x10 ³ J |
| Enthalpy, specific | 1 BTU/lb | 2.326x10 ³ J/kg |
| Force | 1 lbf | 4.448 N |
| Heat Flux | 1 kcal/h m ² 1 BTU/h ft ² | 1.163 W/m ² 3.155 W/m ² |
| Heat Release Rate (mass) | 1 BTU/h lb | 6.461x10 ⁻¹ W/kg |
| Length | 1 ft | 3.048x10 ⁻¹ m |
| Mass | 1 lb 1 tonne 1 ton | 4.536x10 ⁻¹ kg 1.000x10 ³ kg 1.016x10 ³ kg |
| Power | 1 BTU/h 1 hp | 2.931x10 ⁻¹ W 7.457x10 ⁻¹ W |
| Pressure | 1 standard atmosphere 1 bar 1 lbf/in ² 1 in water 1 mm Hg | 1.013x10 ⁵ N/m ² 1.000x10 ⁵ N/m ² 6.895x10 ³ N/m ² 2.491x10 ² N/m ² 1.333x10 ² N/m ² |
| Surface per Unit Volume | 1 ft ² /ft ³ | 3.280 m ² /m ³ |
| Specific Heat | 1 BTU/lb F | 4.187x10 ³ J/kgK |
| Temperature Difference | 1 deg F (deg R) | 5/9 deg C (deg K) |
| Thermal Conductivity | 1 BTU/h ft ² (°F/ft) | 1.731 W/m ² (°C/m) |

APPENDIX E, continued:

| Unit Conversions | English or Metric | SI |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Velocity | 1 ft/h | $8.467 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m/s}$ |
| Viscosity, absolute (or dynamic) | 1 lb/ft h | $4.134 \times 10^{-4} \text{ kg/m s}$ |
| Viscosity, kinematic | 1 ft ² /h | $2.581 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$ |
| Volume | 1 bu (volume) | $3.523 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m}^3$ |
| | 1 ft ³ | $2.832 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m}^3$ |
| | 1 U.S. gal | $3.785 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^3$ |
| Airflow | 1 cfm | $2.832 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m}^3/\text{min}$ |
| | 1 cfm | $4.719 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^3/\text{sec}$ |
| | 1 cfm/ft ² | $3.048 \times 10^{-1} \text{ m}^3/\text{min}$ |
| | 1 cfm/ft ² | $5.080 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^3/\text{sec}$ |

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