Determination of the content and quality agricultural techniques required for thousand hectares of cotton area

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Abstract. The article presents a normative method for substantiating the composition and quantity of tractors and agricultural machinery required for 1000 hectares of cotton in the soil and climatic conditions of the Republic of Uzbekistan. For the substantiation of the composition of machines (plough, disc harrow, seeder, cultivator, cotton harvester, etc.), modern equipments were selected to perform the agro-technical measures (ploughing, leveling, sowing, harvesting, etc.) identified in the technological map of cotton cultivation. In substantiating the required number of specific machine required for performing specific agricultural measure or practice per 1000 hectares, its productivity of one shift determined during testing, the duration of the shift, the number of shifts, the daily productivity, the duration of the agricultural measures and practices, the volume of seasonal work were used as arguments.

1 Introduction

In Uzbekistan, raw materials from cotton are mainly produced in cotton and textile clusters, and the processing of the harvested crop into finished products is expanding. To increase the potential and quality of the yield, the clusters should have agricultural machinery loop that performs all the operations listed in the technological map of cotton cultivation. If the types and numbers of machines do not meet the standards, some technological operations are not performed or not completed in the optimal time. When the number of machines exceeds the norm, their annual utilization coefficients (levels) decrease and storage costs increase. Therefore, the development of normative methods to substantiate the rational composition and quantity of the machine fleet, which should be on the balance of cotton and textile clusters, is an urgent scientific and practical issue.

The aim of research – is to develop a normative method for substantiating the rational composition and quantity of the machine fleet, which performs technological operations in cotton growing in optimal time in 1000 hectares of land of cotton-textile clusters in the soil-climatic conditions of Uzbekistan.

2 Material and method

The main mechanized technologies used in the cultivation of cotton in the soil and climatic conditions of Uzbekistan are as follows: land fertilization, ploughing, deep loosening, leveling, preparation for sowing, seeding, loosening the soil between the rows of cotton, chemical treatment against diseases and pests of cotton plants, defoliation of cotton before the cotton harvest, mechanical harvesting of cotton, delivery of harvested raw cotton to processing enterprises. These agricultural technologies are implemented using machine-tractor units (MTU) consisting of universal-mowing and mowing tractors, as well as of fertilizer machine, ploughs, loosening machine, levelers, harrows, mouldboard, drills, cultivators, sprayers, cotton harvester, tractor trailers. Based on the results of many years of experience in testing and operation of various cotton machines in the field, we recommend the following procedure for determining the composition and quantity of tractors and agricultural machinery required for 1000 hectares of field area [1, 2]:

1) \( w_c \) value of the productivity of a tractor or machine of a specific model in 1 shift is obtained (in ha/h) from the protocols of the Center for Certification and Testing of Agricultural Machinery and Technologies;

2) according to the operative references received from the regional agricultural departments, a set of relevant numbers is compiled for the duration of 1 shift on \( T_c \) (in hours) and the number of shifts used per day on \( 'n_c' \) in the implementation of appropriate agro-technical measures using a specific type of machine (MTU) by regions. By statistical processing of numbers their arithmetic mean values throughout the republic are determined;

3) machine productivity per day (in hectares) is calculated by this formulae:

\[
    w_f = w_c T_c n_c
\]

4) the duration of specific agricultural measure season on \( 'T_u' \) is not defined by calendar time from the beginning of the season to its end, but from the busy, i.e stabilized and intensive time of the season. Because in busy and peak time of the season, all the machines of specific
models in the balance sheet of clusters, farms, alternative and district "Agroservis MTP" and needed for this season practices, are fully involved in the work, their sudden breakdowns decrease and they begin to function stably. The values of \( w_i, T_a \) and \( n_i \), parameters, i.e. the value of \( w_i \), are also timed and calculated by examiner-engineers in the same period.;

5) while-season \((T_a)\) work productivity of machine with \( w_i \) daily productivity is calculated by this formulae:

\[
w_{wa} = w_i T_a \text{ (ha)}
\]

(2)

6) The total number of specific model machines required to implement a specific type of agro-technical measure in 1000 hectares of cotton is determined as follows:

\[
M_T = 1000 : w_{wa}.
\]

(3)

The rules of operating machine-tractor fleet science were used to determine the number of machinery required for 1000 hectares of cotton fields.

3 Results and discussion

Calculating number of wheel-type utility tractors. Wheel-type utility tractors include to the group of tractors designed for operating general practices. They are used to plough the land, deep loosening, harrowing, chiseling and other soil tilling practices [3]. The peak period of autumn plowing in the republic makes \( T_a = 25 \) days. If the duration of the season exceeds this period, the snowy and rainy days begin and the quality of the tillage deteriorates, it is even necessary to stop and leave it in the spring [4].

Magnum 8940 (240 h.p.), MX-255 (255 h.p.), MX-240 (282 h.p.) and K-701K (300 h.p.) model utility tractors with 240-300 horse power are considered as group-1 tractors. When these tractors are aggregated with “Euroopal 5+4+1 N100”, “Standart 7 plus 3+1”, ПД-4-45, ПНЯ-4-1-45 two-tiered and LD-100, ОР-4-5/40 ploughs for general practices, their daily work productivity in the republic was equal to \( w_{i} = 14 \). According to such aggregate (2), \( w_{wa} = 14 \cdot 25 = 350 \) ha is ploughed during the season.

Using the formula (3) we determine the number of wheel-type utility tractors required for 1000 hectares of land: \( M_T = 1000: 350 = 2,857 \) pieces.

“ARION 630C” (150 h.p.), ХТЗ-17221 (165 h.p.), T-150K (165 h.p.), “John Deere 6175M” (175 h.p.), “T-7060 NewHolland” (213 h.p.) and chained BT-150D (150 h.p.), T-402.01 (150 h.p.), ХТЗ-181 (180 h.p.) wheel-type utility tractors with 150 ≤ \( N \) < 220 h.p.engine power are included to group- 2. Daily work productivity of aggregates made from these tractors and “Europal5 3+1 N100”, ПНЯ-3-35-2, ПНЯ-4-35, ПНЯ-5-35, “Europal5 2+1 N100” ploughs is found to be equal to the half of productivity of group-1 utility aggregates, that is, \( w_{i} = 7 \) (14:2). In this case, seasonal productivity of the aggregate is equal to \( w_{wa} = 7 \cdot 25 = 175 \) ha, number of tractors required for operating in 1000 hectares equal to \( M_T = 5,714 \) pieces (1000:175).

With horse power between 100 ≤ \( N \) < 150 h.p. and with fixed engines, chained T-4A.01 (130 h.p.), BT-100 (130 h.p.), ДТ-75, ДТ-75M (95 h.p.) and and wheel-type utility tractors “NewHolland TD 5.110” (110 h.p.), “John Deere 6110B” (110 h.p.), “John Deere 6135B” (135 h.p.), “T-6072 NewHolland” (140 h.p.), “Belarus 1523” (148 h.p.), “ARION 630C” (150 h.p.) “Belarus” 1221.2 (130 h.p.), “AXOS 340C” (100 h.p.), MX-135 (140 h.p.), MX-140 (142 h.p.) are included to the 3rd group of tractors. When these tractors are aggregated with ПНО-3-35, ПН-3-30, ПНЯ-3-35, ПНЯ-3-35, ПД-3-35 type ploughs, their daily work productivity was found to be 1/3 part of work productivity of the 1st group utility tractor aggregate, i.e equal to \( w_{i} = 4,666 \) ha (14:3). Seasonal work productivity of this propellent unit: \( w_{wa} = 116,65 \) ha (25-4,666). The number of such tractors needed for 1000 ha crop field: \( M_T = 8,572 \) (1000:116,65).

Calculating number of row crop tractors. Row crop tractors such as ТТЗ-811, ТТЗ-100HC, “AXOS 340C”, ТТЗ-80X, ТТЗ-80.11, ТТЗ-60.11 and ТТЗ-100К11 are designed for all mechanized farm activities in cotton cultivation, harvesting, as well as, cultivation and caring for other agricultural intercrops and their harvesting practices [3]. The number of row crop tractors is determined by the number of cultivators used for processing interrows of cotton plants: in the fields where the width of inter-rows is 90 cm, an average seasonal work productivity of cultivator was found to be \( w_{wa} = 75 \) ha from the first processing to the fifth processing. Thus, \( M_T = 13,3 \) pieces of cultivator and the same number of row crop tractors are required for cotton interrow processing in 1000 hectares; when inter-row spacing is 60 and 70 cm, then: \( w_{wa} = 50 \) ha, \( M_T = 20 \) pieces.

Defoliation in cotton fields and pest control measures are performed with the help of sprayers mounted on row crop tractors. Seasonal work productivity of one preparation sprayer is equal to \( w_{wa} = 250 \) ha. The number of needed tractors for this is \( M_T = 4 \) pieces.

To perform loading-unloading practices, it was proven in practice that three row crop tractors are required for 1000 hectares of cotton crop [1].

Calculating number of tractor trailers. Tractor trailers such as 2ИТС-4-793A (modifications 2ИТС-4-793A-01, 2ИТС-793A-03), 2ИТС-4-887 models are chosen by two pieces for universal row crop tractors TT3-60.10, TT3-80.10, TT3-100K10, MT3-80, MT3-82. Required number of such tractors for 1000 hectares is 12 pieces (the 3rd line of table). Accordingly, required number of tractor trailers equal to \( M_T = 24 \) pieces.

Calculating number of disc harrow. Average shift productivity of disc harrows such as “Rubin 9/3001”, “КD-3000”, БДТ-3.0 and ТДБ-3/5 models is: \( w_{i} = (1,7+2,6) : 2 = 2,15 \) ha/hour. Daily work productivity: \( w_{wa} = 2,15 \cdot 10 = 21,5 \) ha. Seasonal land tillage duration with disc harrow is: \( T_a = 10 \) days. Thus, \( w_{wa} = 10 \cdot 21,5 = 215 \) ha and \( T_a = 1000\cdot215 = 4,651 \) pieces.

Calculating number of seed drills. In the balance sheet of clusters, farms, “Agroservice MTP” and alternative MTPs, there are 4-row mechanic seed drills CTX-4 (М = 60 cm inter-row), СХ4-А, СХ4-Б, СхX-4B (М = 90 cm), СУX-4 (М = 60, 70, 90 см), СМХ-4 (М = 60, 90 cm).
cm) to sow fuzzy seeds and 4- and 8-row pneumatic seed drills “Planter-3M”, “Planter-4M”, “Planter-D4”, “Case-1200” (M = 60, 76, 90 cm) to plant naked seeds [5]. The duration of seed sowing period in our republic makes $T_s = 10$ days. Seasonal work productivity $w_s$ of seeders are: in 8-row pneumatic seed drill “Case-1200” for 60, 76 and 90 cm inter-row work is $350$ ha; in 4-row mechanic seed drill for 60 cm inter-row work – 90 ha, for 90 cm inter-row work – 120 ha. Number of specific model seed drills required for 1000 hectares is $M_s = 2.857 \,(1000:350)$, $8.333 \,(1000:120)$ and $11.111 \,(1000:90)$ pieces.

**Calculating number of cotton topping device.** For cutting the growing shoot tips of cotton plant, the farmers are using available ЧХУ devices and PChM-4B model devices produced by “Aggregate” plant [6]. These devices are mounted on front frame of cotton cultivator. This means that the more cotton cultivators there are in the cluster, the more topping devices there should be. For 1000 hectares of 90 cm inter-rows 13,3 pieces of topping device is required, for 60 cm inter-rows – 20 pieces. Topping device mounted cultivators are recommended to be aggregated with ТТЗ 100К.11 or ТТЗ 80.11 tractors.

**Calculating number of sprayers.** Fan sprayers VP-1, VP-11B, OBX-600, OBX-28A are used for feeding cotton and grain crops from the leaves (suspension spraying), disease and pest control, defoliation of cotton fields, chemical treatment of orchards and vineyards. Boom sprayers ОПШХ-1-200, ОПШХ-50, ОПШХ-12/15 are used for spraying suspensions on row crops, chemicals against their diseases and pests, and defoliating cotton plants [7].

Annual work productivity of OBX-600 fan sprayer, when calculated considering all aforementioned agrotechnical practices, made 250 ha as proven in practice. This means, if $W_M = 250$, then $M_M = 1000: 250 = 4$ pieces.

**Calculating number of cotton harvesters.** At present, double-row vertical-spindle MX-1.8 cotton harvesters are being produced in the country, designed to pick cotton grown in areas with a row spacing of 90 cm by semi-aggregated with TTZ-811 tractor [8].

In recent years, in all cotton fields of the country, harvesting is carried out after the defoliation of cotton when at least 90% of the bolls are opened. At the peak of the harvest, the opening rate of cotton bolls reaches 95-98%. The cotton harvest season in the country is coming to an end in just 15 days. Therefore, we also assume that harvest season duration is $T_M = 15$ days.

The results of many years of experience in the field operation and testing of two-row vertical-spindle cotton pickers have shown that their daily work productivity is around 4-6 hectares [9]. For now, we consider that it is expedient to take the daily productivity of the machine equal to $w_i = 4$ ha.

Then the seasonal work productivity of machine makes $W_M = T_M \cdot w_i = 15 \cdot 4 = 60$ ha. In order to pick the cotton of 1000 ha area within 15 days, 16,66 pieces (1000:60) machines are required.

In cotton harvesting period of 2020, the average seasonal productivity of CE-220 double-row horizontal spindle cotton harvesters per hectare was 100 hectares. Their number for 1000 hectares is $M_H = 10$ pieces (1000:100).

The numbers of universal row crop tractors, levelers, deep cultivators, fertilizer spreaders, ploughs, tooth harrows, chisel cultivators and cotton cultivators were calculated in the same order and included in Table 1.

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| 2.  | Row crop tractors with 3 wheels for inter-row processing: ТТЗ-811, ТТЗ-100К, “AXOS 340C”, МТЗ-80Х, ТТЗ-80.11, ТТЗ-60.11, ТТЗ-100К11 | 75  | 13.3 |                                               |                                               |
| 2.1 | For 90 cm row spacing                                                    |                               |                                        |                                          |                                               |
| 2.2 | For 60, 70, 76 cm row spacing                                            | 50  | 20  |                                               |                                               |
| 2.3 | For defoliation and pest control                                         | 250 | 3   |                                               |                                               |
| 2.4 | For loading-unloading practices                                         | 420 | 12  |                                               |                                               |
| 4.  | Long base levelers: ΠА-3, Π-4А, Π-2,8А                                      |                               |                                        |                                          |                                               |

Table 1. Calculation norms of machines required for 1000 hectares of cotton fields.
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4 Conclusion

By using the criteria given in the table, it is possible to determine the composition and amount of equipment required for the production of any agro-cluster and farm. For example, calculation norms of “Bukhara AgroKlaster” LLC technical park with cotton fields of 47264 ha: for 1.1-row 135 pcs, for 1.2-row 270 pcs, 1.3-row 405 pcs, 2.1-row 629 pcs, 2.2-row 945 pcs, 2.3-row 189 pcs, 2.4-row 142 pcs, 3-row 567 pcs, 4-row 197 pcs, 5-row 135 pcs, 6-row 181 pcs, 7-row 473 pcs, 8-row 1134 pcs, 9.1-row 135 pcs, 9.2-row 270 pcs, 9.3-row 405 pcs, 10-row 47 pcs, 11-row 220 pcs, 12-row 236 pcs, 13.1-row 525 pcs and 394 pcs, 13.2-row 135 pcs, 14.1-row 629 pcs, 14.2-row 945 pcs, 15.1-row 629 pcs, 15.2-row 945 pcs, 16-row 189 pcs, 17.1 and 17.2-rows 787 pcs, 17.3-row 473 pcs.

The problem of calculating the demand of agricultural clusters for agricultural machinery is to determine the composition of the machine-tractor fleet in such a way as to ensure the quality and high productivity of mechanized agricultural practices, minimal labor and operating costs per unit of work.

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