

MOTION STUDY OF FOUR-ROW COTTON HARVESTER AND THE HITCH SYSTEM OF HARVESTING UNIT UNDER VERTICAL VIBRATIONS

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ABSTRACT

Equations of motion of the cotton harvesting machine (CHM) and the hitch system of the harvesting unit under vertical vibrations are considered in the paper. Mathematical models of the CHM MX-2.4 were developed based on the obtained equations of motion. The values of vertical vibrations of the CHM MX-2.4 when moving along a rough field were determined by solving mathematical model and conducting experimental studies.

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INTRODUCTION

Productivity and agrotechnical indices of cotton harvesters are connected with the reliability of cotton harvesters and their working units under various motion conditions. Therefore, the development of the methods for scientifically sound design of cotton harvesting machines and the hitch systems of their operating units with the aim of improving them is an urgent task.

The manufactured two-row vertical-spindle cotton harvester CHM MX-2.4 is aggregated with a TTZ-LS 100HC tractor in a semi-hitch manner, the front steering wheels are dismantled, the unit is made according to a four-wheel design with two rear steering wheels.

The task of improving the design of a new generation of the four-row CHM is to enhance the functionality and basic technical characteristics [1-3,7,8]. One of the ways to solve the controllability problems of the four-row CHM is a mathematical modeling and experimental investigation of a machine under various motion conditions.

Mathematical Model of Vertical Vibrations of the Harvester Hitch System Under Various Motion Conditions

The construction of object-oriented mathematical models for complex technical systems of control is a complicated scientific and technical task, the evaluation of which is conducted mainly by a decision making person.

The whole difficulty of constructing such model lies in the fact that in order to obtain a solution, the model should be quite simple and at the same time it should reflect the essence of the problem so that the results obtained have real physical meaning.

In this regard, the requirements for a mathematical model of the dynamics of a cotton harvester with the

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hitch systems are determined by a set of tasks, the solution of which must provide the necessary information to assess its performance. When developing a mathematical model of vertical vibrations of the harvester hitch system under various motion conditions, it should be noted that the machine hydraulic system is functionally interconnected with its working system.

In deriving the differential equations of the CHM rectilinear motion, a special place is taken by the reasonable assumptions. Assumptions should, on the one hand, ensure that the requirements for the mathematical model are met, and on the other, limit the number of simulated system parameters to the most necessary ones.

In view of the above and in accordance with the design scheme shown in Figure 1, a generalized mathematical model of the CHM MX-2.4 was developed in the form of Lagrange equations of the second kind under vertical vibrations in the process of moving along the roughness on the headland of a cotton field [1-6]:

$$\begin{split} m_{m}\ddot{y}_{m} &= F_{y} - b_{1}(\dot{y}_{m} - \dot{y}_{\kappa nn}) - c_{1}(y_{m} - y_{\kappa nn}) - b_{2}(\dot{y}_{m} - \dot{y}_{\kappa nn}) - c_{2}(y_{m} - y_{\kappa nn}) - \\ &- b_{3}(\dot{y}_{m} - \dot{y}_{\kappa nn}) - c_{3}(y_{m} - y_{\kappa nn}) - b_{4}(\dot{y}_{m} - \dot{y}_{\kappa nn}) - c_{4}(y_{m} - y_{\kappa nn}) - \\ &- b_{3}(\dot{y}_{m} - \dot{y}_{\kappa nn}) + c_{1}(y_{m} - y_{\kappa nn}) - m_{\kappa nn} \frac{2\pi^{2}V_{\kappa nn}^{2}}{l_{5}^{2}}h_{n}(1 - \cos\frac{2\pi V_{\kappa nn}}{l_{5}}t) \\ &m_{\kappa nn}\ddot{y}_{\kappa nn} = b_{2}(\dot{y}_{m} - \dot{y}_{\kappa nn}) + c_{2}(y_{m} - y_{\kappa nn}) - m_{\kappa nn} \frac{2\pi^{2}V_{\kappa nn}^{2}}{l_{5}^{2}}h_{n}(1 - \cos\frac{2\pi V_{\kappa nn}}{l_{5}}t) \\ &(m_{\kappa nn} - 0.5 \cdot m_{3})\ddot{y}_{\kappa nn} = b_{3}(\dot{y}_{m} - \dot{y}_{\kappa nn}) + c_{3}(y_{m} - y_{\kappa nn}) - (m_{\kappa nn} - 0.5 \cdot m_{3})\frac{2\pi^{2}V_{\kappa nn}^{2}}{l_{5}^{2}}h_{n}(1 - \cos\frac{2\pi V_{\kappa nn}}{l_{5}}t) \\ &(m_{\kappa nn} - 0.5 \cdot m_{3})\ddot{y}_{\kappa nn} = b_{4}(\dot{y}_{m} - \dot{y}_{\kappa nn}) + c_{4}(y_{m} - y_{\kappa nn}) - (m_{2} - 0.5 \cdot m_{3})\frac{2\pi^{2}V_{\kappa nn}^{2}}{l_{5}^{2}}h_{n}(1 - \cos\frac{2\pi V_{\kappa nn}}{l_{5}}t) \\ &j_{2q}\ddot{\psi}_{\alpha q} = F_{2q} \cdot l_{6} - b_{5}(\dot{\phi}_{\alpha q} - \dot{\phi}_{\alpha \kappa}) - c_{5}(\phi_{\alpha q} - \phi_{\alpha \kappa}) - l_{7} \cdot m_{a}\ddot{y}_{m} \\ &m_{2q}\ddot{y}_{2q} = \frac{j_{2q}\ddot{\psi}_{2q}}{l_{7} - l_{6}} \\ &m_{\alpha \kappa}\ddot{y}_{\alpha \kappa} = \frac{j_{\alpha \kappa}\ddot{\phi}_{\alpha \kappa}}{l_{7}} \\ \end{array} \right\}$$

where b_i , c_i – are the coefficients of viscous resistance and tire stiffness of machine wheel, rocker shaft of the harvester hitch mechanism; m_i is the mass distributed over the supports of the machine and the hitch mechanism of the harvester; h_n is the height of the road roughness; F_{eq} is the force in the hydraulic cylinder of the hitch mechanism; ; l_1 , l_2 , l_3 , l_4 and l_5 are the distances between supports and the roughness; l_6 and l_7 are the lengths of the levers for hitching the harvesting units; j_{eq} and $j_{6\kappa}$ are the moments of inertia of the levers connecting the hydraulic cylinder and the hitch system of the harvesters.

System (1) was solved using the numerical Runge–Kutta method [4, 6].

Computational and field experiments were carried out for the following parameter values under tire deflection $h_{u}=40 \text{ mm}=0.04 \text{m}$:

the stiffness coefficient of the tire of the front left wheel $c1=c\pi\pi=310241.25$ N/m;

the stiffness coefficient of the tire of the front right wheel $c_2=c_{nn} = 310241.25$ N/m;

the stiffness coefficient of the tire of the rear left wheel $c_3=c_{3,1}=639489.38$ N/m;

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the stiffness coefficient of the tire of the rear right wheel $c_4=c_{311}=639489.38$ N/m;

the stiffness coefficient of the rocker shaft $c_5=c_{BK}=531458.28$ Nm/rad;

coefficient of viscous resistance of the tire of the front left wheel $b_1 = b_{nn} = 45144.16$ Nmf/m;



(a)



Figure 1: Settlement Scheme CHM MX-2.4

a) - dynamic model MX-2.4; *b*) top view of the left block of the MX-2.4 harvester hitch mechanism: 1- a hydraulic cylinder; 2 - a lever for connecting the hydraulic cylinder; 3 - a rocker shaft; 4 - the levers for hitching the harvesting units; 5 - a harvesting unit.

coefficient of viscous resistance of the tire of the front right wheel $b_2=b_{nn}=45144.16$ Nmf/m;

coefficient of viscous resistance of the tire of the rear left wheel $b_3=b_{3,T}=93054.08$ Nf/m;

coefficient of viscous resistance of the tire of the rear right wheel $b_4=b_{31}=93054.08$ Nf/m;

coefficient of viscous resistance of the rocker shaft $b_5 = b_{BK} = 77334.137$ Nmf/m;

machine mass $m_M = 7745$ kg; the mass of the front left wheel $m_{K\Pi\Pi} = 1265$ kg; the mass of the front right wheel $m_{K\Pi\Pi} = 1265$ kg; the mass of the rear left wheel $m_{K\Pi\Pi} = 2607.5$ kg; mass of the rear right wheel $m_{K\Pi\Pi} = 2607.5$ kg; engine mass $m_3 = 1200$ kg; the mass of the harvester unit $m_a = 675$ kg; the moment of inertia of the hydraulic cylinder $j_{eq} = 552.96$ Nmf²; the moment of inertia of the rocker shaft $j_{6\kappa} = 276.48$ Nmf²; the radius of the rear wheels $r_{\kappa_3} = 0.785$ m; radius of front wheels $r_{\kappa_{\Pi}} = 0.43$ m; $h_n = 0.07$ m; $V_M = 1.1$ m/s; $F_V = 11550$ N; $F_V = 11550$ N.

Experimental Studies of Four-Row Cotton Harvester Mx-2.4 Vibrations

The aims of the tests are:

field measurement of vibrations of a four-row cotton harvester and hitch systems of MX-2.4 harvesting units;

a comparative analysis of the results of theoretical and experimental studies of vibrations of a four-row cotton harvester and hitch systems of harvesting units MX-2.4;

In testing the accelerometers were installed on the front and rear axles, as well as on the levers of the rocker shaft of the hitch system of MX-2.4 harvesters.

The measurements were carried out as follows.



Figure 2: Location of Measuring Points:) 4-Row Cotton Harvester MX-2.4.





(b)

Figure 3: Location of Measuring Points (a) Installation of Accelerometers on the Front Axle of the CHM; (b) Installation of Accelerometers on the Rear Axle of the CHM.



Figure 4: Location of Measuring Points: Installation of Accelerometers on the Levers of the CHM Rocker Shaft.

Measurements of the CHM vibrations were made by the ADXL345 accelerometer - it is a small (micro) powerful triaxial accelerometer of high resolution (13 bits). The measuring range of the position varies up to \pm 16 g. The measurement result is given in the form of 16-digit numbers in an additional code and through digital interfaces SPI / I2C.

The ADXL345 accelerometer is ideal for use on mobile devices - it measures static acceleration (caused by gravity) in deflection problems, or dynamic acceleration caused by displacement or shock. The declared high resolution of the accelerometer ($4 \cdot 10$ -3 g/LSB) allows accurate tracking the change in deviation of less than 1.0° . The sensor's low power mode enables intelligent system power management.

Characteristics

• accelerometer power supply: 3-5V

- supported interfaces: I2C, SPI
- resolution: 13bit, 4 mg/LSB
- measuring range: + / 16g
- dimensions: 20x15mm



Figure 5: Connection Diagram

- Arduino nano microcontroller
- Accelerometer ADXL345 Arduino code for reading data from the sensor.

The test results are shown in table 1.

Table 1: The Values of Operation Parameters of the CHM MX-2.4 Under Vertical Vibrations at $H_{uu}=40$

Mm, H_n=70 Mm, $\ddot{y}_i = \ddot{z}_i$

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S	m/s^2	m/s ²	m/s^2	m/s ²	m/s ²	m/s ²	m/s ²	m/s^2	m/s ²	m/s ²
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0.1	0.16	0.18	0.16	0.17	0.14	0.18	0.14	0.19	0.224	0.20
0.2	0.14	0.26	0.14	0.18	0.12	0.17	0.12	0.17	0.24	0.20
0.3	0.11	0.21	0.11	0.19	0.1	0.21	0.1	0.18	0.244	0.21
0.4	0.06	0.16	0.06	0.18	0.06	0.18	0.06	0.16	0.23	0.22
0.5	0.04	0.14	0.04	0.17	0.04	0.19	0.04	0.19	0.195	0.19
0.6	0.15	0.16	0.15	0.20	0.15	0.17	0.15	0.21	0.16	0.19
0.7	0.18	0.14	0.18	0.21	0.18	0.19	0.18	0.2	0.14	0.15
0.8	0.06	0.10	0.06	0.19	0.07	0.1	0.07	0.2	0.16	0.17
0.9	0.1	0.07	0.1	0.21	0.1	0.15	0.1	0.16	0.25	0.20
1	0.14	0.17	0.14	0.21	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.19	0.2	0.19

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Figure 6: Graphs of Theoretical and Experimental Studies of the CHM MX-2.4 Vertical Vibrations: (a) Front Left Wheel; (b) Front Right Wheel; (c) Rear Left Wheel.

CONCLUSIONS

- Experimental values of the CHM vibrations are in satisfactory agreement with the theoretical values.
- Thus, the steadiness of machine motion depends on the mass and operating parameters, the values of which are determined by numerical solution of system (1) with a variation of motion parameters and design parameters *b*, *c*,

 m_i , j_i for given road roughness.

• The developed mathematical model of vertical vibrations can significantly reduce the time for experimental refinement of new designs of cotton harvesting machines.

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