

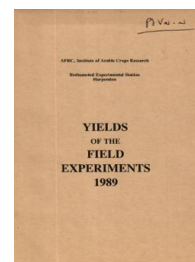
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MIXED 1

COMPARISON OF COMBINES

Object: To evaluate the suitability of three combines for plot work in respect of purity of sample and accuracy when working on slopes - White Horse I.

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Design: A systematic split-plot design of 48 whole plots arranged as shown below.

R	W	R	W	R	W	R	W	Top of slope
W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	
W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	
R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	
W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	
W*	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	Bottom of slope

* Combines started here (after harvesting a dummy wheat plot downhill), worked up the column of plots then down the next column etc.

R = rye W = wheat

NOTES: (1) Each whole plot was systematically divided to compare the three combine harvesters.
 (2) There were 10 m headlands between contiguous rye and wheat plots. These were removed before combining the plots. There were 1 m paths between contiguous wheat plots.

Whole plot dimensions: 9.0 x 9.0.

Treatments:

Whole plots

1. **CROP** Crop:

WHEAT	W. wheat
RYE	W. rye
2. **DIRECTN** Combine direction in relation to slope:

UP	Up slope
DOWN	Down slope
3. **ORDER** Order of combining:

BEGIN	First plot in column
STRAIGHT	Central plots in column
END	Last plot in column

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Sub plots

4. COMBINE Combine type:

CLAAS	Claas 25
DEUTZ-F	Deutz-Fahr 660
W STEIGER	Wintersteiger

Basal applications: Manure: 'Nitram' at 360 kg. Weedkillers:
Methabenzthiazuron at 1.6 kg in 200 l. Bromoxynil at 0.27 kg and
ioxynil at 0.27 kg in 200 l.

Seed: W. wheat: Avalon, sown at 180 kg.
W. rye: Admiral, sown at 180 kg.

Cultivations, etc.:- Heavy spring-tine cultivated three times: 2 Nov,
1988. Rotary harrowed, seed sown: 3 Nov. Methabenzthiazuron
applied: 16 Nov. N applied: 19 Apr, 1989. Bromoxynil and ioxynil
applied: 26 Apr. Combine harvested: 9 Aug. Previous crops: W. oats
1987, potatoes 1988.

NOTE: The Claas combine was improperly adjusted and performed
atypically. Yields from this machine have therefore been
excluded from the analysis.

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GRAIN TONNES/HECTARE

***** Tables of means *****

COMBINE DEUTZ-F W STEIGER
7.31 7.01

CROP	DIRECTN ORDER	UP		END	DOWN		END
		BEGIN	STRAIGHT		BEGIN	STRAIGHT	
WHEAT		7.58	7.57	7.56		7.75	7.64
RYE			5.79		5.91	5.52	

CROP	DIRECTN	ORDER	COMBINE	DEUTZ-F	W STEIGER
WHEAT	UP	BEGIN		7.82	7.34
		STRAIGHT		7.72	7.41
		END		7.78	7.34
	DOWN	STRAIGHT		8.05	7.44
END			7.98	7.30	
RYE	UP	STRAIGHT		5.89	5.69
	DOWN	BEGIN		5.92	5.90
		STRAIGHT		5.04	6.00

*** Standard errors of differences of means ***

COMBINE	CROP DIRECTN ORDER	CROP DIRECTN ORDER COMBINE	
0.055	0.170	0.217	min.rep
	0.139	0.177	max-min
	0.098	0.125	max.rep
Except when comparing means with the same level(s) of			
CROP.DIRECTN.ORDER		0.191	min.rep
		0.156	max-min
		0.110	max.rep

max.rep CROP WHEAT and ORDER STRAIGHT

min.rep any of the remainder

max-min CROP WHEAT and ORDER STRAIGHT v any of the remainder

***** Stratum standard errors and coefficients of variation *****

Stratum	d.f.	s.e.	cv%
WP	40	0.240	3.4
WP.SP	40	0.271	3.8

GRAIN MEAN DM% 89.3

SUBPLOT AREA HARVESTED DEUTZ-F 0.00207
SUBPLOT AREA HARVESTED W STEIGER 0.00144