

# **Geometry of Yarns**

- Linear density
- Twist
- Unevenness
- Imperfections
- Hairiness









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## Linear density II.



precise length of yarn

Winding device – perimeter 1 m

Precise weighing of wound yarn



#### ISO 2060 :1994

Textiles - Yarn from packages - Determination of linear density (mass per unit length) by the skein method





### Linear density III.

#### Linear density of yarns from fabric WOVEN

min. 10 warp a 10 weft yarns

Warp - equidistant sampling from whole width of fabric

Weft - selected distance mass include yarn from different windings





## Linear density IV.

#### Linear density of yarn from fabric

#### **Knitted fabric**

Ripping of min. 10 threads to obtain yarns from different bobbins





#### Twist I.

#### **Twist principle**

**Rotation of fiber bundle**  $\Rightarrow$  fiber compression increase of fiber friction (increase of yarn strength)

Each rotation of winding device (spindle, wing, rotor) = 1 twist

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#### **Twist measurement**

Untwisting and counting of twists ( $z \Rightarrow$  twists per meter)



#### **Helix inclination angle**





#### Twist factor $\alpha$







## **Twist factor II.**

#### Units of twist factor $\alpha$

Köchlin's relation\* (T >10 tex)

$$Z = \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{T}} \quad [m^{-1}]$$

α [m<sup>-1</sup> . ktex <sup>1/2</sup>]

Phrix's relation\*\* (T < 10 tex)

$$Z = \frac{a_m}{\sqrt[3]{T^2}} \ [m^{-1}]$$
  
[m<sup>-1</sup>. ktex <sup>2/3</sup>]

\*Koechlin's equation is the oldest and forms the basis for the derivation of all other equations developed by various scientists. When calculating the yarn twist, Koechlin's equation assumes that the yarn forms the shape of a cylinder. The twist angle (helix angle) is an important parameter of the filaments, which determines the degree and shape of deformations that occur along their length. Koechlin's equation was first proposed by Mr. Koechlin in 1828 and represents an objective method for determining the twist level in yarn.

\*\*The basic supposition of objective validity of Koechlin's yarn twist factor is functional dependence of packing density on yarn twist factor, otherwise assumptation, that yarns twisted with the same intensity, have same packing density. In accordance with this model, packing density increases and yarn diameter is reduced. The basic assumptation of objective validity of Phrix's yarn twist factor is functional dependence of packing density on yarn fineness. In accordance with this model of twisting, the packing density is independent of on twists and constant, in consequence of this, yarn diameter is constant.



### Twist of Yarn II.





#### Schema of twist tester I.



- 1 rotating jaw, 2 movable jaw
  - 3 motor with speed control
- 4 movable arm connected to jaw 2
  - 5 pre-tension, 6 screen
    - 7 yarn length control
  - 8 stop for movable arm limiter



#### Schema of twist tester II.









## **Direct counting method**





## Untwist - twist method (single yarn)



#### Initial length 0,25 m x 2

Recalculate to z/m ! Pre-tension - defined by standard



#### Untwist - twist method (multifilaments)



until rupture in scew

Counter shows number of twist per twice initial length (0,25x2 m) Pre-tension - defined by standards



#### Unevenness

Describes the variation of material in percentage = coefficient of variation!!! Mass unevenness of Yarn [%]: variation of linear density in whole length of yarn influence on fabric appearance regular repeating of unevenness leads to e.g. moire (moare) effect on fabric, next influences other parameters as twist, strength etc.













### **Uster Tester 4**











#### Zweigle G656 hairiness tester





#### **Image analysis**



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