Components of coulter tractive resistance for subsoil throwing about seeds planting

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Figure 1 - The opener for subsoil broadcast seeding

Proceeding of the recommended design parameters working body for splash subsurface seeding was taken as a basis (Figure 1).

Working body is a lancet tine opener containing rack portion curved form, with the front, in the direction of enhanced stubble share, the guide of cone-shaped still enshrined in seed distributor, on the bottom of the seed distributor is mounted, the side surfaces of which are in the form of parabola, while the bottom of the rack horizontal metal cheeks are mounted. Meanwhile the layer of soil getting up and stopping on the surface of cheeks, can be laid on the bottom of the seed furrow and thus eliminates clogging the distributor by soil [2, 3].

Installation of additional cheeks helps delay gathering soil layers with coulter opener before laying the seeds to the bottom slot. Extension of the time spent on the surface layer of soil of the coulter opener owing to the installed cheeks and as a consequence of the interaction with the reservoir rack opener can cause the increase of traction resistance of the working body. Therefore there is a need to evaluate the components of the traction resistance developed by a working body.

The results of research

In relation to the working body opener for subsurface splash seeding total traction resistance will consist of traction resistance of the opener and the resistance attributable to rack opener with two horizontal cheeks.

Then the total resistance of the opener for subsurface splash seeding can be represented as:
\( R^c_x = R_x + 2R_c \), \hspace{1cm} (1)

where \( R_x \) is the draft of the opener; \( R_c \) is the resistance attributable to the rack opener.

Working body opener performs process of tillage of the lancet paw on the analogy with a triangular wedge (Figure 2). In the interaction with the soil wedge horizontal component of the force \( R_x \), which is a draft of the wedge, is defined as:

\[
R_x = \int dR_x (X, Z), \hspace{1cm} (2)
\]

where \( dR_x \) is elementary component of traction resistance acting on the selected element surface of the wedge, H.

\begin{figure}[h]
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\includegraphics[width=0.5\textwidth]{figure2.png}
\caption{Forces acting on a triangular wedge}
\end{figure}

According to [4] the wedge consumes energy for cropping soil layer on the blade, the deformation of the soil layer, as well as the passing the kinetic energy reservoir separated during transport of soil particles. These processes take place simultaneously, and the resistance of the wedge can be seen as the resultant of two component forces:

\[
R = k_vR^d + R^K, \hspace{1cm} (3)
\]

where \( k_v \) - is coefficient depending on the rates of processes operating in the soil and place in it [4, 5];

\( R^d \) - force spent on pruning and deformation of the soil layer, H;

\( R^K \) - the force required to report the kinetic energy of the particles separated during transport to the surface layer of soil coulter opener, H.

Figure 2 draft of the wedge is defined as:

\[
R_x = R \sin(\varphi + \chi), \hspace{1cm} (4)
\]

and where \( \chi \) is the angle of cut triangular wedge (\( \chi = \arctg(tg c \cdot \sin \theta) \)).

Taking into account that \( R^d = \frac{N}{\cos \varphi} \) we can express the normal reaction \( N \) through the normal tension \( \sigma_n \), due to the action of the soil at the site of the array [3]:

\[
R^d = \frac{\sigma_n \cdot a \cdot b}{\sin \chi \cos \varphi}, \hspace{1cm} (5)
\]

and

\[
R^K = \gamma_p \cdot \nu^2 \cdot a \cdot b \cdot \frac{\sin \chi \cdot \cos \psi}{\sin(\chi + \psi)}, \hspace{1cm} (7)
\]

and where \( a \) and \( b \) - depth and width of the progress of the wedge; \( \gamma_p \) - the density of the treated soil;

\( \psi = \frac{\pi}{2} - (\alpha + \rho + \varphi) / 2 \) - phase angle of the soil layer. Substituting (5) and (7) in the formula (3) with (4) and after transformations total tractive resistance of the wedge becomes:
\[ R_x = ab \sin(\varphi + \chi) \left( \frac{\sigma \kappa_v}{\cos \chi \cos \varphi} + \gamma_p v^2 \frac{\sin \chi \cos \psi}{\sin(\chi + \psi)} \right). \]  

(8)

The resulting analytical dependence (8) connects the design parameters of the wedge (wedge angle setting to the bottom groove and \( \varepsilon \) to the direction of \( \theta \), the width of the wedge \( b \)) with process parameters (depth of the wedge and progress, the velocity of the wedge \( v \)) and soil properties (internal friction coefficient \( \tau \), the coefficient of external friction \( \varphi \), grip of the soil \( C \), soil density \( \gamma_p \), phase angle \( \psi \)).

Figure 3 shows the graphics of force change \( R_x \) depending on the speed of the working body opener \( v \). Initial data for the calculation are presented in Table 1.

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Note: \( \chi = \arccos(\cos(\gamma \cos \delta)) \)

To determine the component of the force \( R_x \) let’s consider the interaction of the soil element with front side surface opener due the horizontal cheeks (Figure 4).

Dynamic effect of the soil on side opener is characterized by periodic shocks with vibrational distribution of elastic and plastic deformation of waves [6, 7].

\[ Pdt = d( mv ) , \]  

(9)

where \( m \) - mass of the soil elements, kg.

The impulse value in the course of which the deformation of the soil ending by the destruction of the internal connections and composed of the sum of elementary pulses produced during the time of impact \( t \), accompanied by the spread of a set of strain waves, one after the other [6], ie \( \int_0^t Pdt = mv \). Applied to the side of the rack opener formula can be written as:

\[ \int_{t_1}^{t_2} R_x dt = M(v_2 - v_1) + m(v_{\text{disc.}} - v_0) , \]  

(10)

where \( M \) - mass of the front opener, kg;
\( v_1, v_2 \) - speed before and after the impact with the front coulter soil elements in the time interval \( t_1 - t_2 \), m/s;
\( v_{\text{disc.}} \) - velocity dropping soil element, m/s;
\( v_{0r} \) - the rate of soil element before impact, m/s;
\( t_1, t_2 \) - the beginning and the end of strike, c.

The result of exposure to the side of the rack to the opener on the separated soil are deformations [9, 10]. Every deformation is that part or layer of a
the fixed particles in the array at a rate of 

Ideally, the lateral surface of the front opener moves surrounding soil particles relative to the fixed particles in the array at a rate of deformation \( v_0 \) in a direction making an angle \( \omega \) with the axis OY (Figure 4 a). If we consider that the treated soil is connected, there is a record of the internal friction angle of the soil \( \rho \). Then, according to Figure 4b, deformation rate \( v_0 \) in a direction making an angle \( \omega_0 \) with the axis OY is defined as:

\[
v_0 = v \cdot \frac{\sin \beta_0}{\sin(\beta_0 + \omega_0 + \rho)}, \quad (11)
\]

Available data show that for a variety of soils and loading rates \( v_0 \) value varies from 6 to 15 m/s. Taking into account that we have: \( M \gg m \)

\[
\int R dt = mv_{disc}. \quad (12)
\]

\[
v_{disc.} = v_0(1+k), \quad (13)
\]

where \( k \) - coefficient of speed restitution after the end of interaction, is the ratio of the shock pulse units for periods of impact.

Substituting (12) in (13), we have:

\[
v_{disc.} = \frac{v(1+k)\sin \beta_0}{\sin(\beta_0 + \omega_0 + \rho)}. \quad (14)
\]

Given that the strike of the soil element of face cheek opener equal to the period of the soil shear element, we write \( t_2 - t_1 = \frac{\lambda}{v} \cdot \sin \beta_0 \), where \( \lambda \) - width of the soil on the surface of the side racks opener, m.

Since the formation of the element of soil on the cheek is periodic, and considering its width constant, we can express the value of \( \lambda \) in one of the characteristics of viscosity - dynamic length

\[
\lambda = \mu \cdot \gamma_p \cdot v, \quad \mu \text{ - dynamic viscosity, kg/m/s.}
\]

Then substituting (14) in (12) and projecting both sides of the direction of movement of the opener, we find the average value of the force \( R_c \) period shift:

\[
R_c = \frac{mv^2 \sin \beta_0 \sin(\omega_0 + \rho) \cos(\omega_0 + \rho)(1+k)}{\lambda \sin(\beta_0 + \omega_0 + \rho)}. \quad (15)
\]

Multiplying the numerator and denominator of (15) into the square \( S_{av} = ab/2 \) (where \( b \) - width opener, m), given the smallness of the coefficient \( k \) (due to not fully elastic impact of metal on the ground), and a known volume of the discharge of soil element that is:

\[
V = \frac{\lambda S_{av}}{\sin(\omega_0 + \rho)} \cdot (16)
\]

we get:

\[
\frac{(1+k)m}{\lambda \cdot S_{av} / \sin(\omega_0 + \rho)} = \frac{m}{V} = \gamma_p, \quad (17)
\]

where \( \gamma_p \) - the density of the treated soil, kg/m³.

Hence force \( R_c \) required to report the kinetic energy of the separated particles during transportation of soil formation from the side of the front opener is defined as:

\[
R_c = \gamma_p v^2 ab \sin \beta_0 \cos(\omega_0 + \rho) . \quad (18)
\]

Expressing his corner as \( \beta_0 = \beta - \rho \) (\( \beta \) where - angle between the blade and the line perpendicular to the direction of movement opener) that:

\[
R_c = \gamma_p v^2 ab \sin(\beta - \rho) \cos(\omega_0 + \rho). \quad (19)
\]

Substituting into (1), the dependencies (8) and (19) that the total resistance of the opener for subsurface broadcast seeding:

\[
R_c = ab( K_d + K_k + K_m ), \quad (20)
\]

More visible components of traction resistance opener for subsoil broadcast seeding can imagine, if the formula (20) to the form:

\[
K^c_x = ab(K_d + K_k + K_m), \quad (21)
\]

where

\[
K_d = \sin(\varphi + \chi) \cdot \frac{\sigma_\nu v}{\cos \chi \cos \varphi}
\]

and

\[
K_k = \gamma_p v^2 \frac{\sin(\varphi + \chi) \sin \chi \cos \psi}{\sin(\chi + \psi)}
\]

coefficient taking into account the energy cost of the deformation of the soil coulter blade, N/m²;

\[
K_m = \gamma_p v^2 \frac{\sin(\beta - \rho) \cos(\omega_0 + \rho)}{2 \sin(\beta + \omega_0)}
\]

considering the cost of discarding soil layer cheek opener, N/m².

To quantify the components of the traction resistance opener (21), it is useful to record as:

\[
R^c_x = R_{xd} + R_{xk} + R_{xm} , \quad (22)
\]
where \( R_{xd} = abK_d \), \( R_{xk} = abK_k \), \( R_{xm} = abK_m \) respectively, the resistance to overcome the pressure of the soil layer on the blade opener to the message and change the direction of the deformed soil layer shoe to drop and the soil layer cheek opener, N.

Assuming that the opener angle is \( \beta = 56^\circ \), the angle shift for coherent soil is determined by analogy with the angle \( \varphi \), calculated components traction resistance opener by formula 22, the results of which are shown in Figure 5.

![Figure 5](image)

**Figure 5 – Dependences of the components of ploughshare traction resistance**

If you change the speed of the opener from 0.5 to 3 m/s is the resistance that falls on soil particles drop from the side of the front coulters varies from 4 to 23 N, in comparison with the overall draft of the opener is 5 to 8 %. Components of resistance to deformation of the soil layer and to the change the direction of the ploughshare is far superior the value \( R_{xm} \).

**Conclusions**

On the basis of theoretical researches the analytical relations for determining the components of the traction resistance of the developed opener were obtained which consist of resistance to overcome the pressure of the soil layer on the blade opener to passing and change the direction of the deformed layer of soil by the opener and dropping the soil layer by side cheek of the opener. It was determined that additional cheeks did not cause an increase of traction resistance of the working body.

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