

Precision Agriculture 04

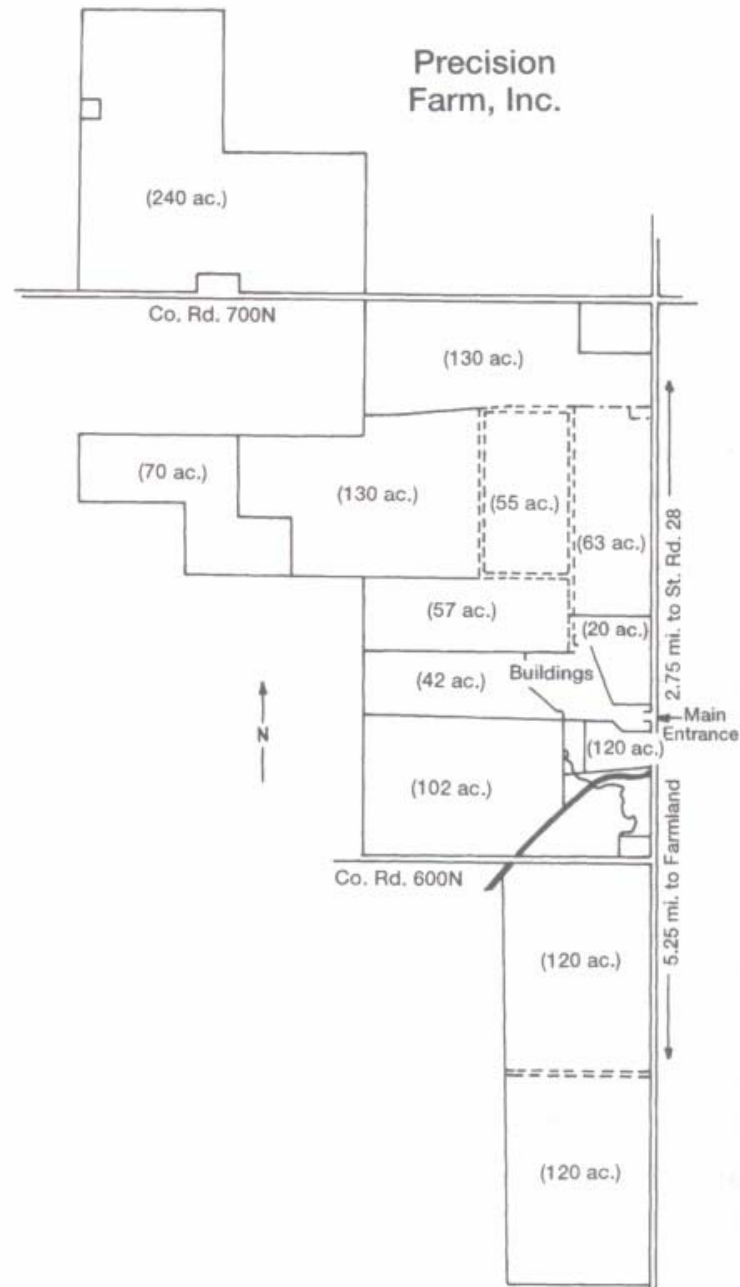
Site Specific Management



Yield mapping

- Crop flow sensors
- Crop water content sensors
- Machine speed sensors
- GPS
- Working width
- GPS
- CPU

BEGINNING OF YEAR ONE: PRELIMINARY PURCHASES, START UP, AND TRAINING





Sensors for seed flow

- Combine harvester and its function

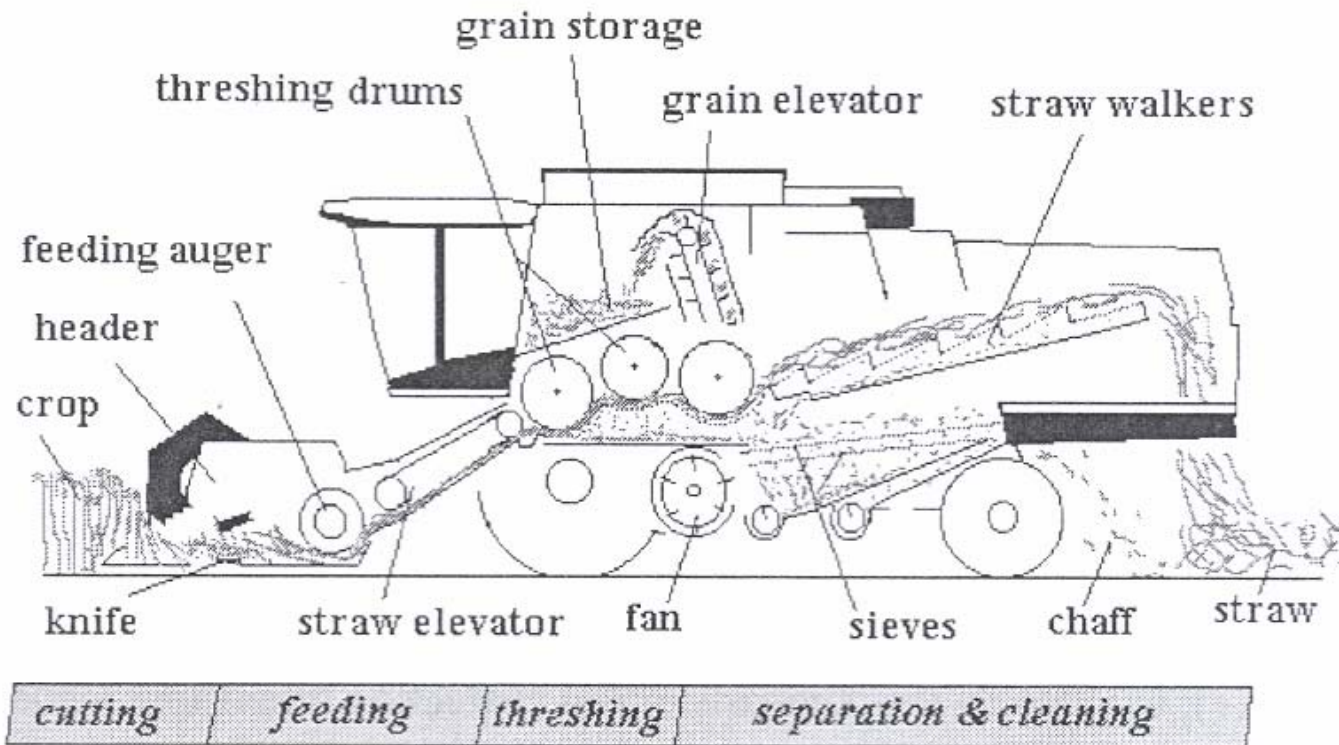
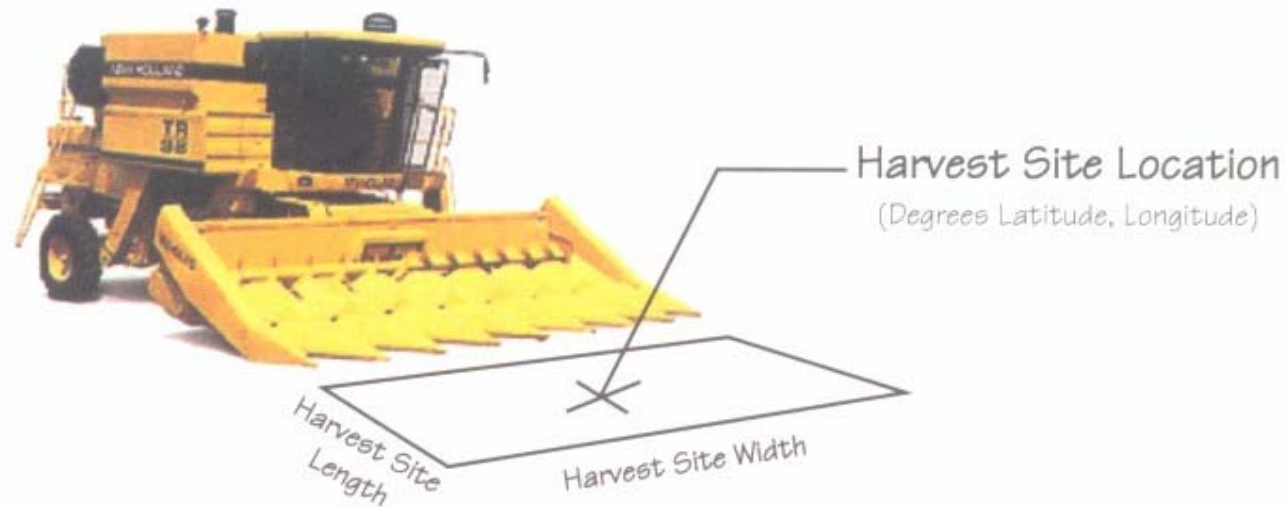


Figure 1. Different functional processes in a conventional combine (Missotten, 1998).

What we need to measure

- Seed flow rate
- Seed moisture content
- Working width of the machine
- Machine speed
- Machine position
- Head position sensor
- Data recording



Harvest speed	Travel distance (site length*)
3 mph	4.4 feet/sec
4 mph	5.9 feet/sec
5 mph	7.3 feet/sec
6 mph	8.8 feet/sec

*For 1-sec logging interval.

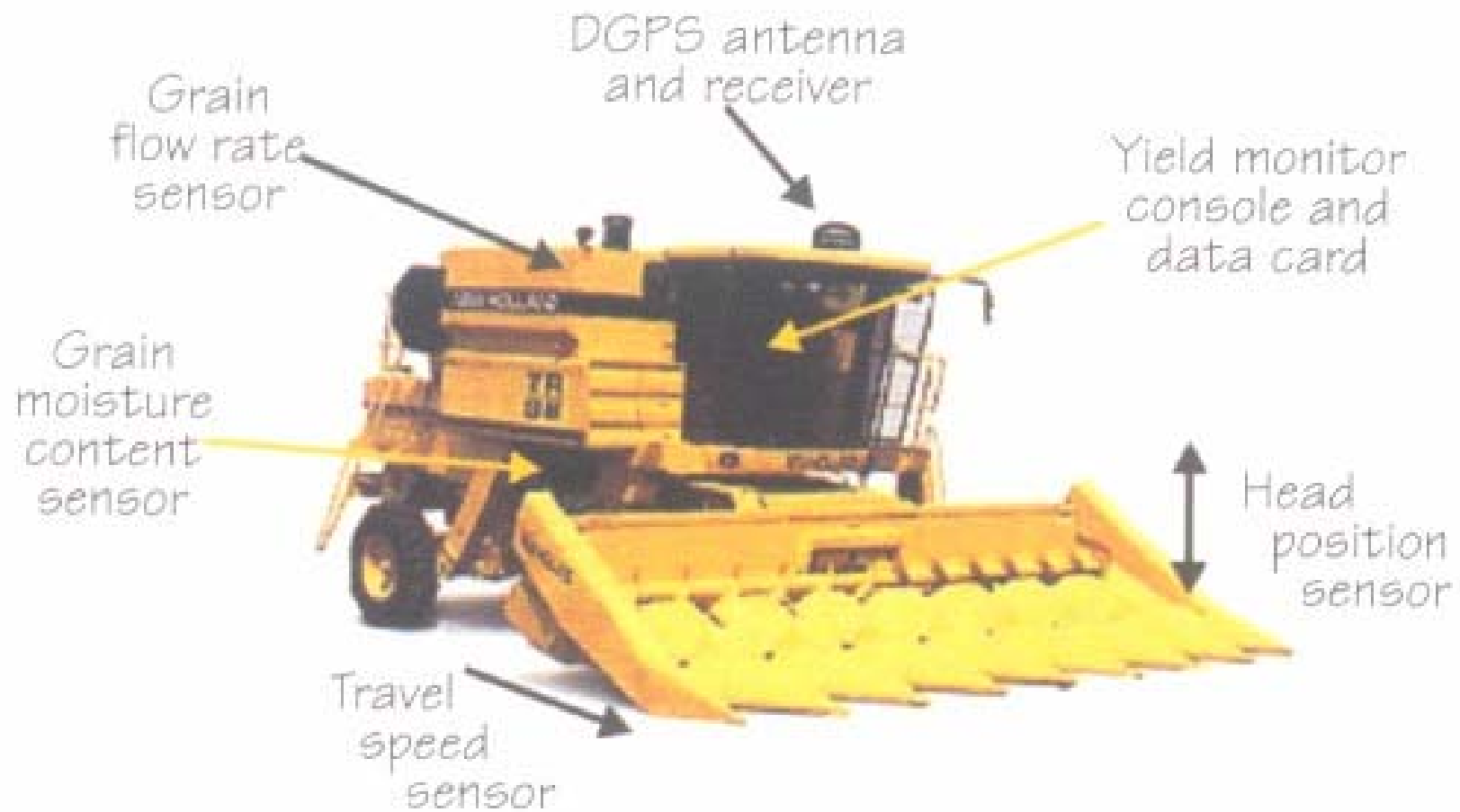
Harvest Site Specifications

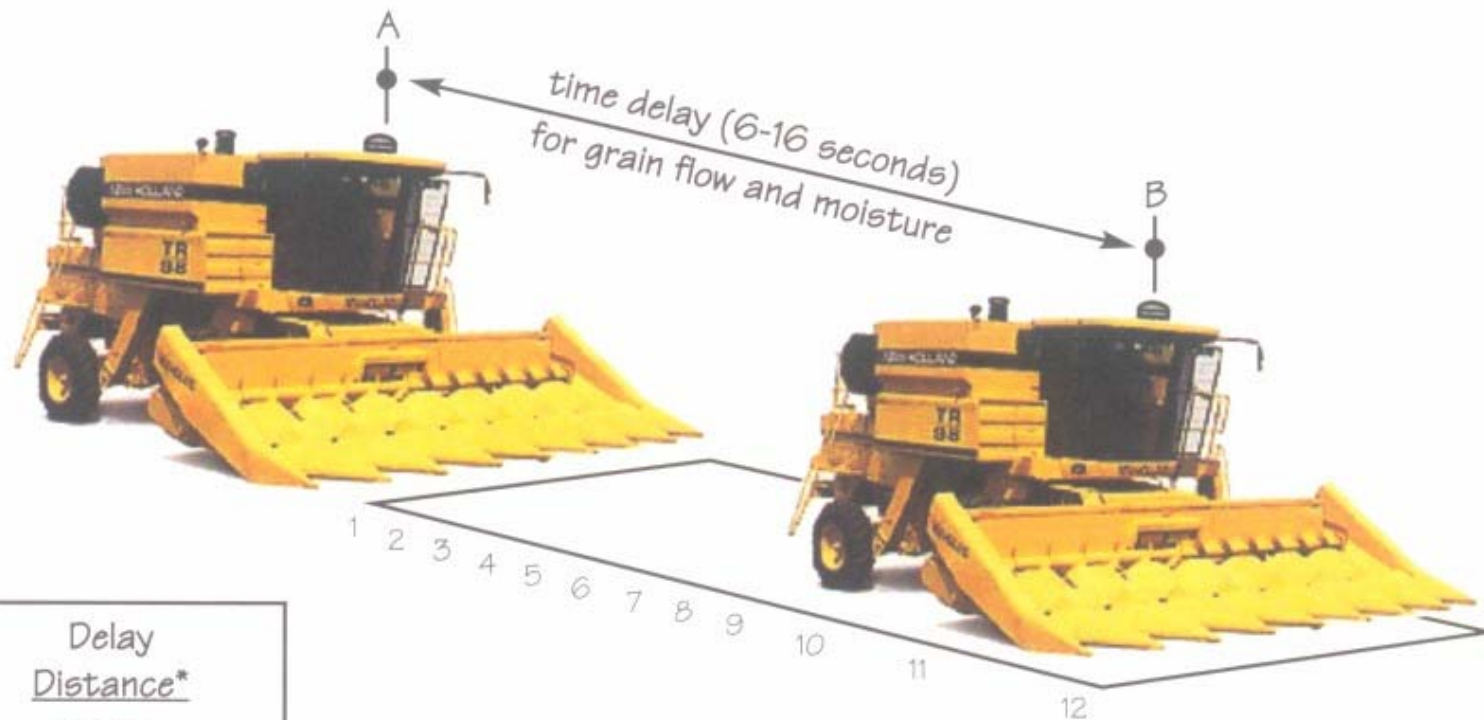
Location - Computed by DGPS unit.
 Width - Set by combine operator.
 Length - Computed as travel distance.
 Grain Volume - Computed from grain flow and moisture sensor data, and "standard" bushel information.

Area and Yield Calculations

$$\text{Harvest Site Area (acres)} = \frac{\text{Length (ft)} \times \text{Width (ft)}}{43,560 \text{ (ft}^2\text{/acre)}}$$

$$\text{Harvest Site Yield (bu/acre)} = \frac{\text{Grain Volume (bu)}}{\text{Harvest Site Area (acre)}}$$





Harvest speed	Delay Distance*
3 mph	53 feet
4 mph	70 feet
5 mph	88 feet
6 mph	106 feet

*For 12-sec time delay.

Flow rate and moisture content of grain harvested at point "A" will reach the sensors and be measured, recorded and displayed at point "B".

Seed flow sensors

- Principle of function:
 - A) By weighing
 - B) Volume measurements
 - C) Impact measurement
 - D) Indirect methods

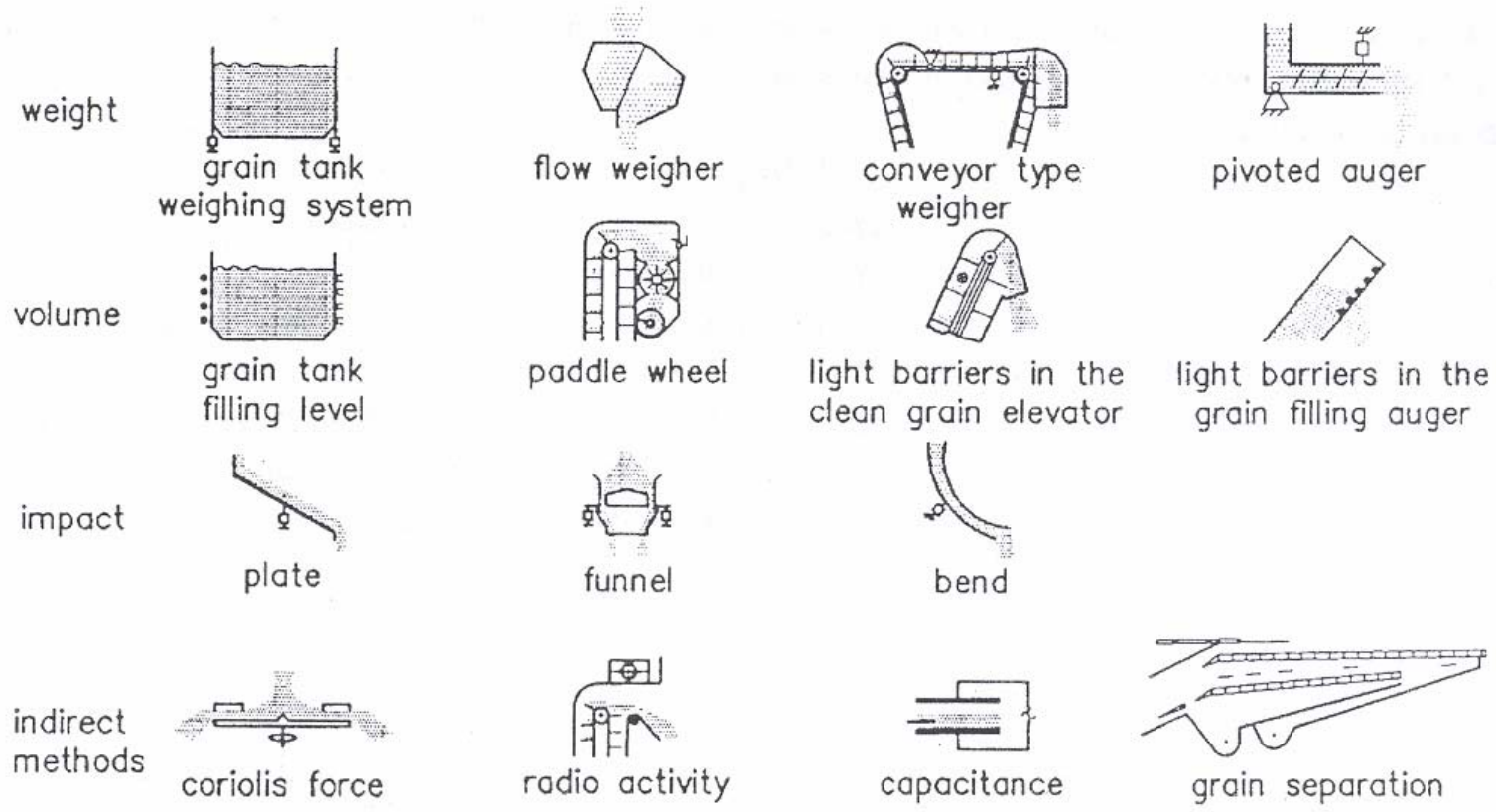


Figure 2. Different methods for the measurement of grain yield (Kützbach and Schneider, 1997).

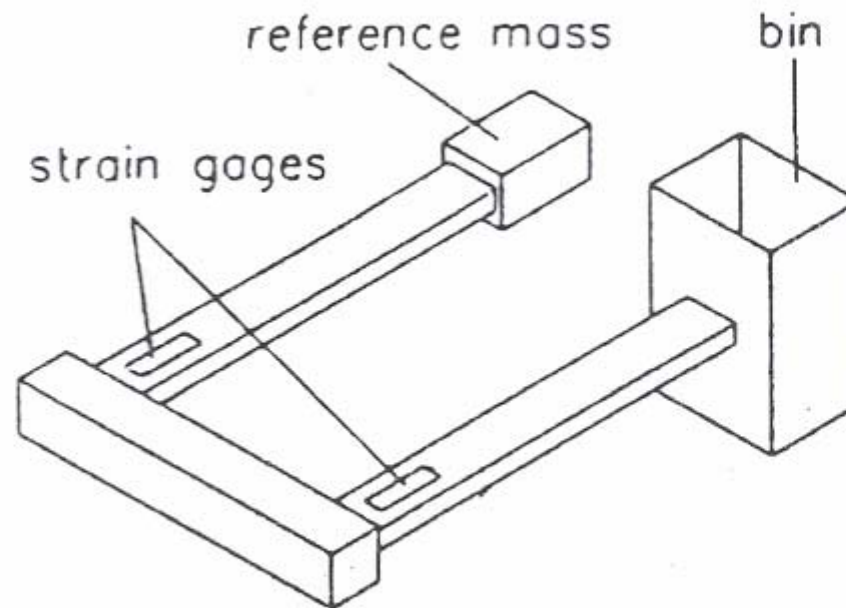
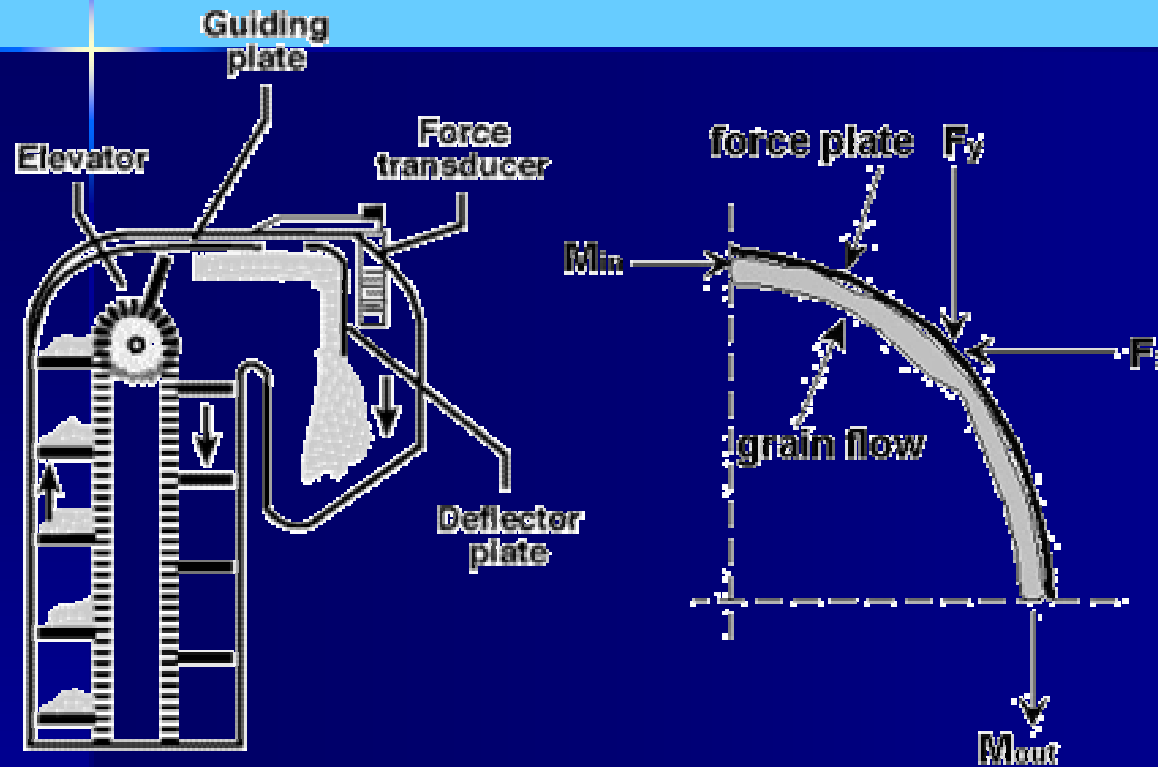


Figure 4. "Continuous" mass density measuring device (Böttinger, 1990).

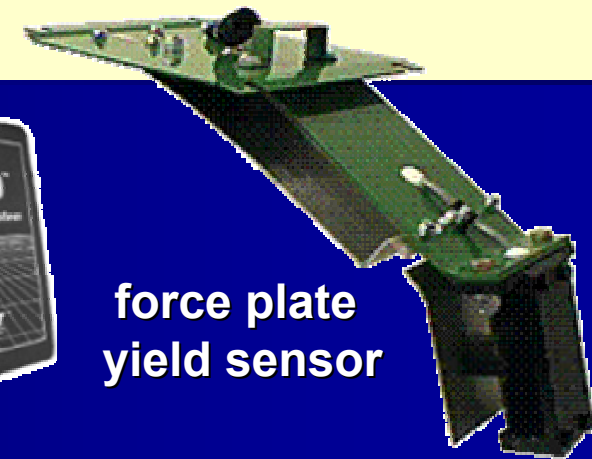
Force Plate Sensors



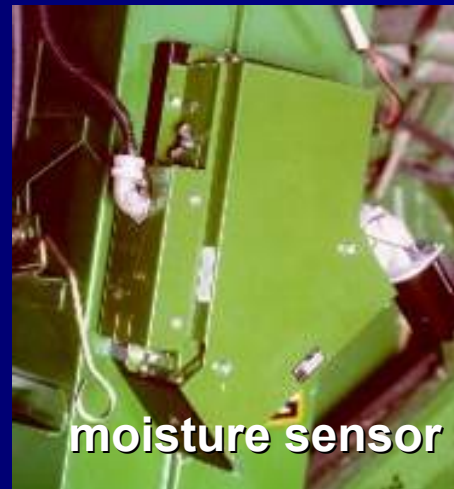
- Most commonly used grain yield sensor
- Use transducer to quantify force of grain thrown by the clean grain elevator
- Measured force calibrated to weight

Ag Leader
Technology

- Customized for more than 70 combines
- Reliable, user friendly, excellent support
- Display has multiple uses



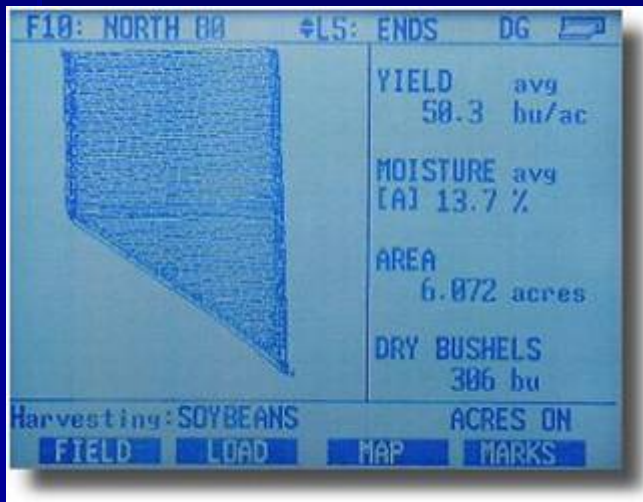
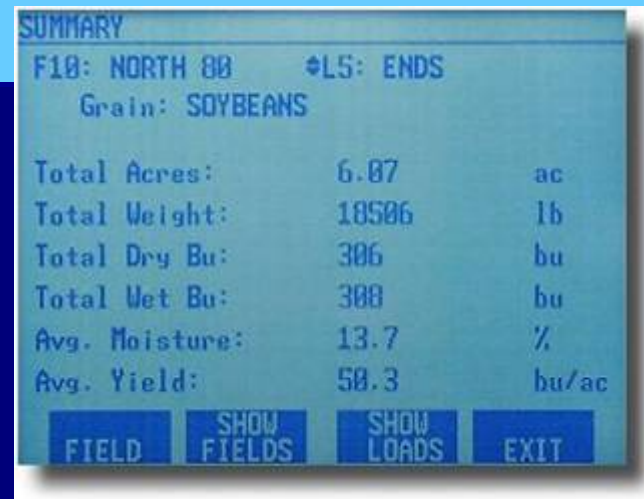
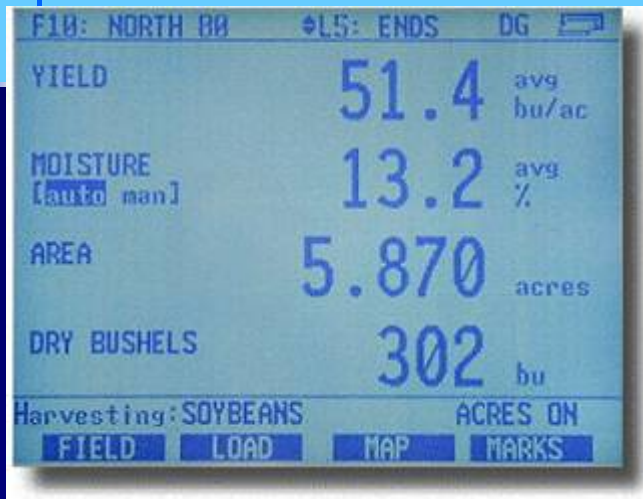
force plate
yield sensor



moisture sensor



PF3000 Display



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Advanced Farming Systems

- Ag Leader force plate yield sensor
- Universal display
 - can mark problem areas or landmarks in fields
 - touchscreen interface



Instant Yield Map 2000 now available!



AFS display

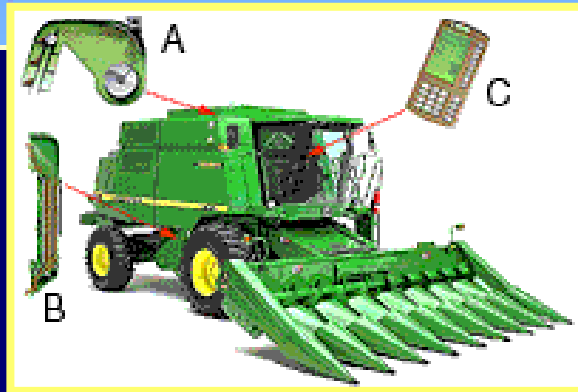


moisture sensor



**force plate
yield sensor**

John Deere



B – moisture sensor



A – force plate yield sensor



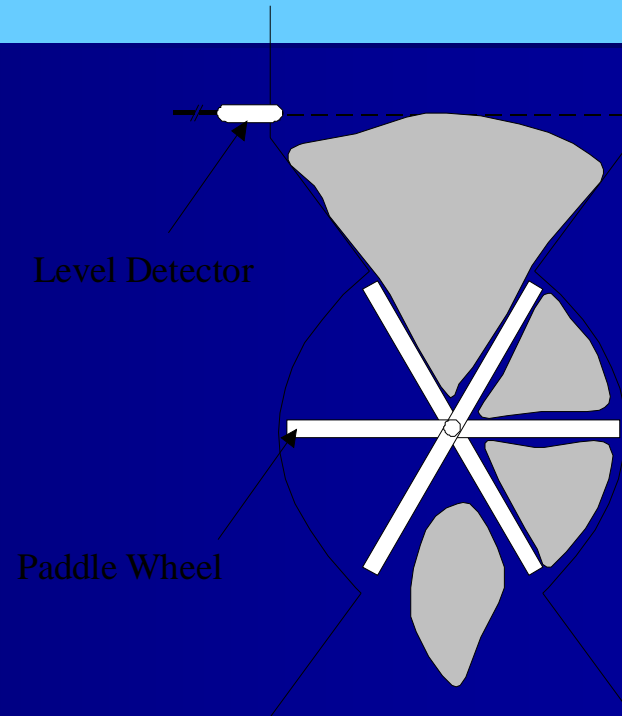
C - display



Quantimeter



Quantimeter Display



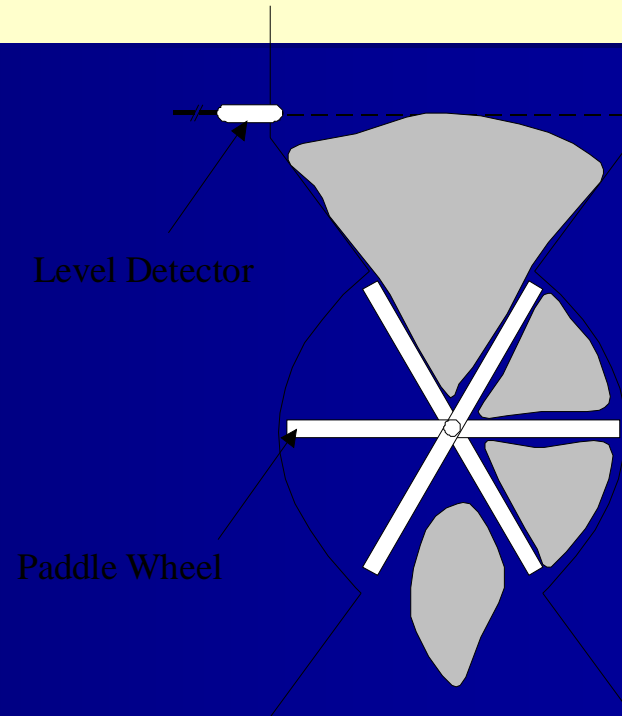
**Claydon Yield-O-Meter
volumetric grain yield
monitor**

Quantimeter

CLAAS



Quantimeter Display



Claydon Yield-O-Meter
volumetric grain yield
monitor



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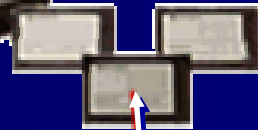
radiometric sensor

Fieldstar terminal
(standard on all combines)

GPS control unit

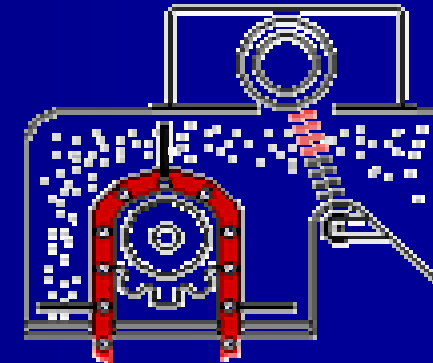


office PC & printer
(not included)



data card and
data card reader

implement
computer



Working width

- At the early stages the diver estimated the working width and added it to the recording unit.
- Sensors were developed using Ultrasonic signals.

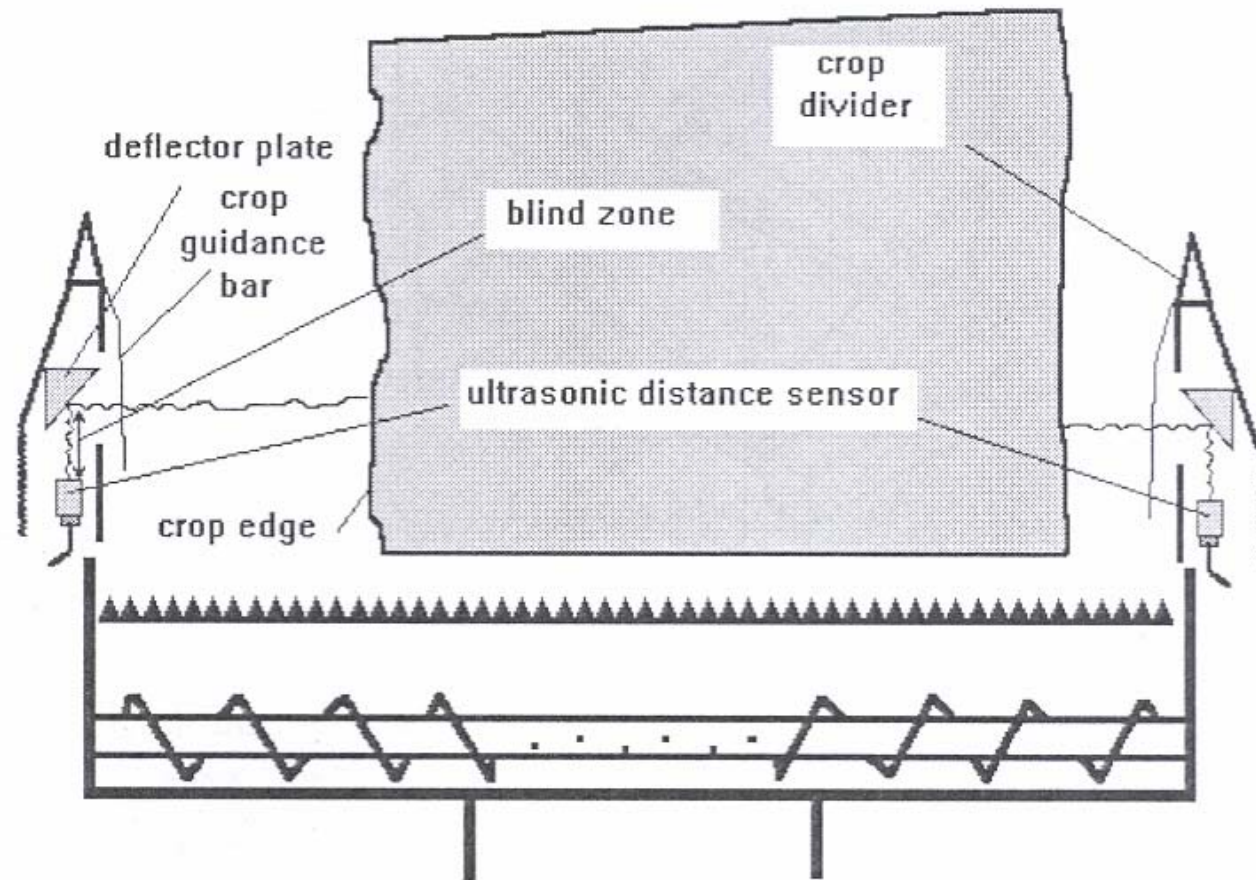


Figure 3. Measurement of cutting width by aid of ultrasonic sensors (Missotten, 1998).

Moisture Content of the seed measurement

- Use of the capacitance change from the change of the moisture content.

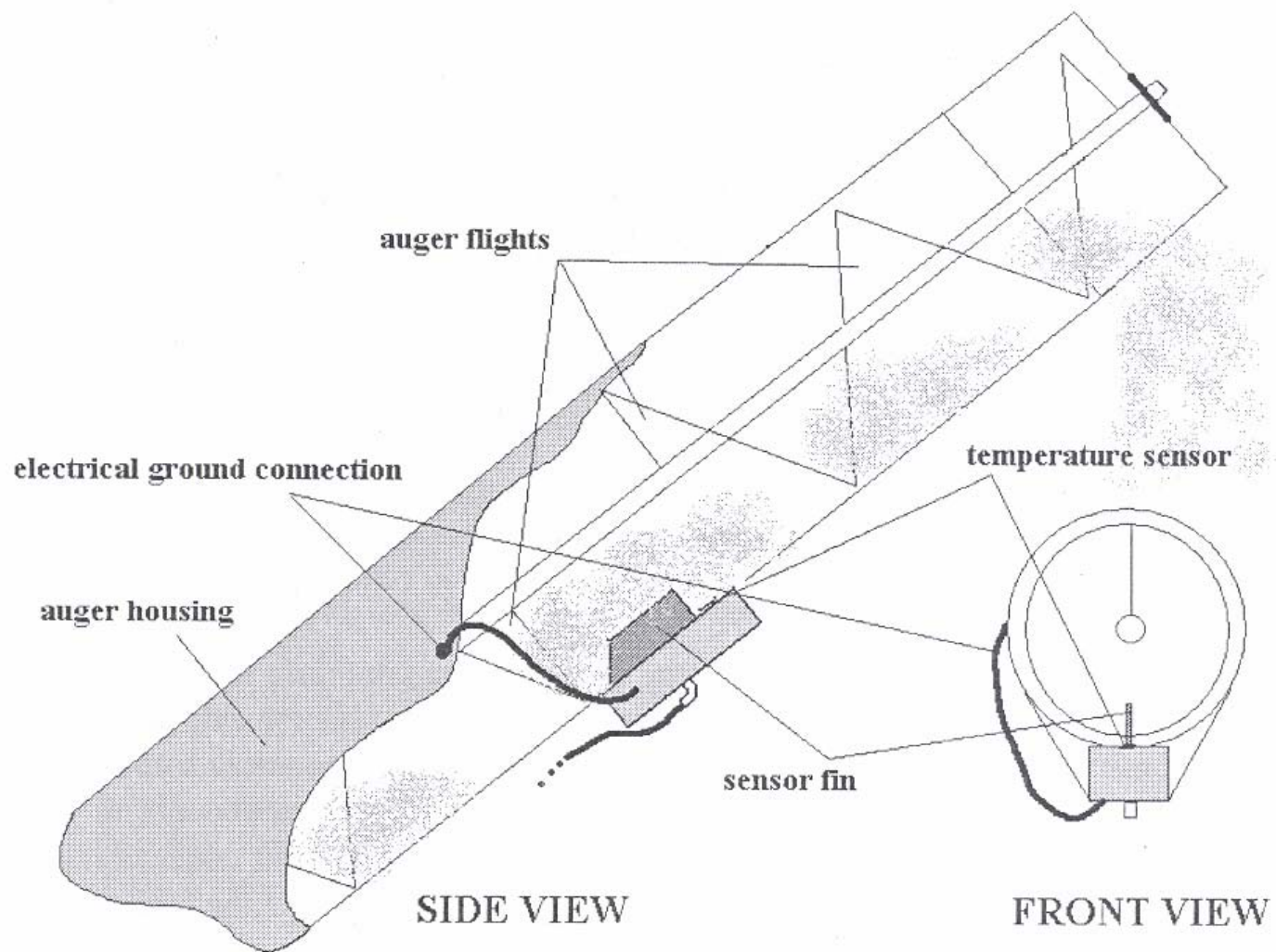
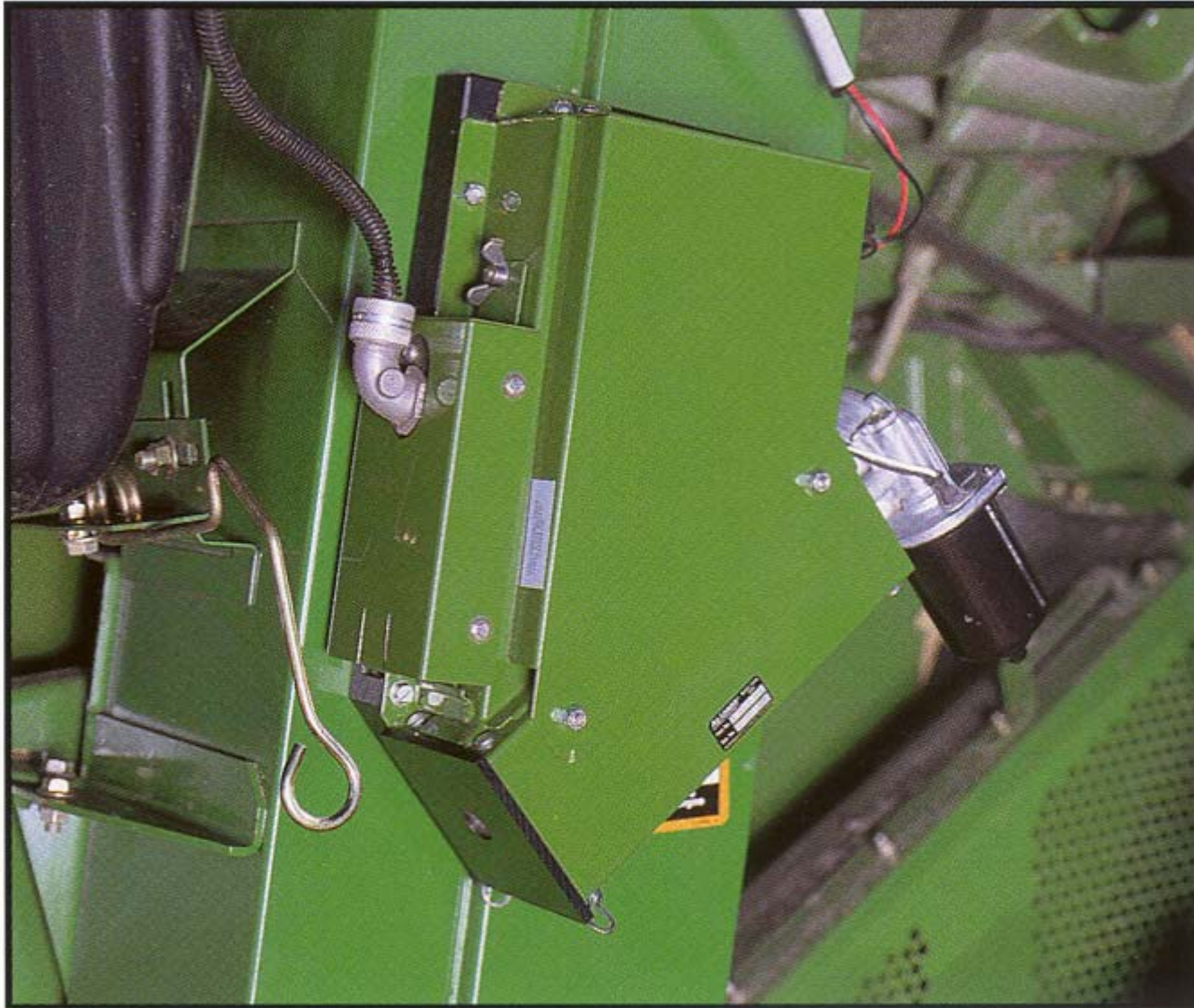


Figure 5. Capacitive moisture sensor.



***Elevator Mount
Moisture Sensor***



Αισθητήρες για βαμβάκι

**Αισθητήρες για τεύτλα,
πατάτες, βιομηχανική
τομάτα**

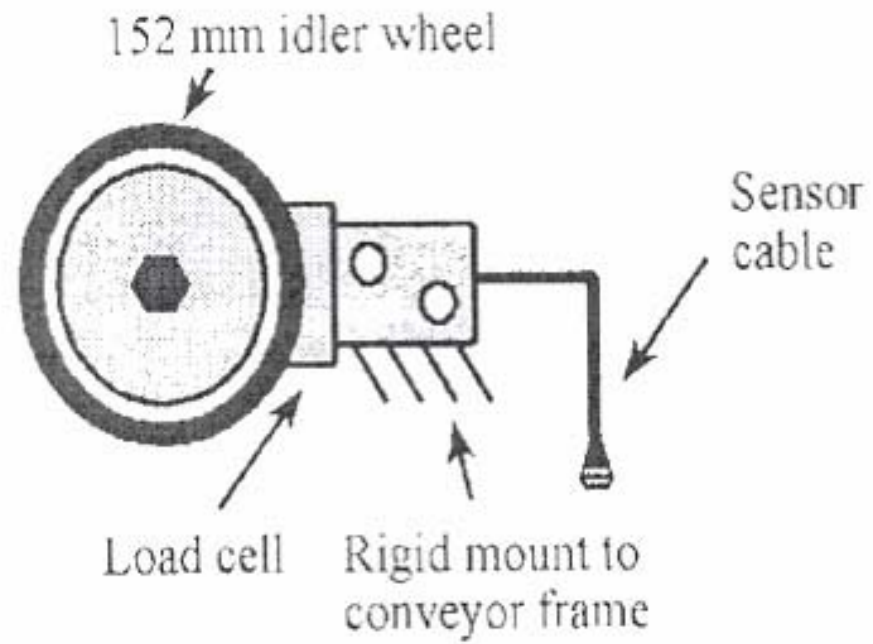


Figure 2. Idler wheel weight-sensing assembly.

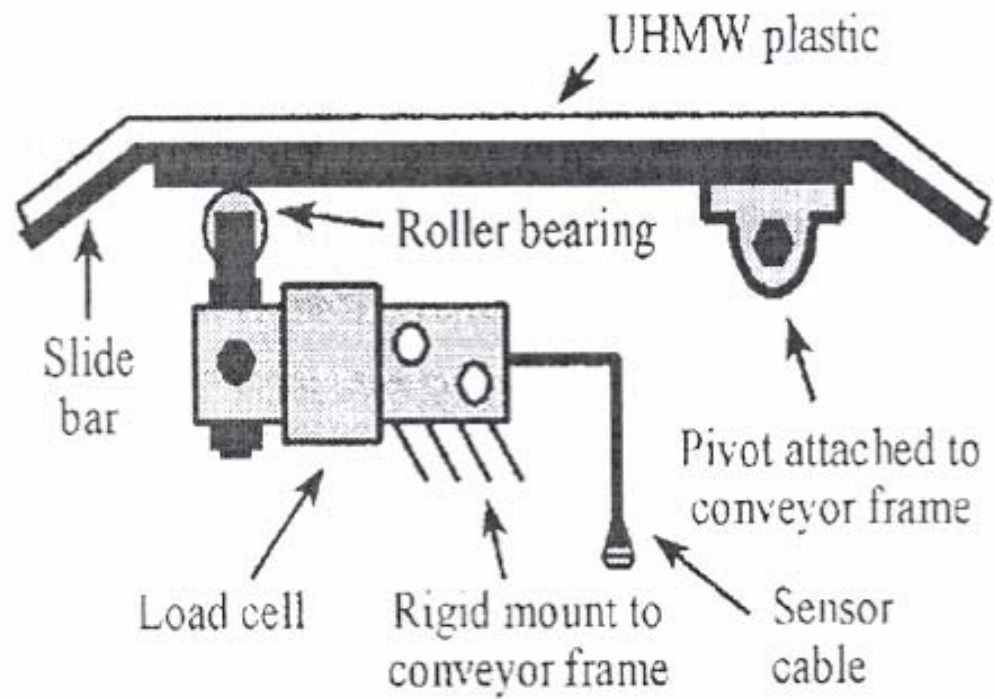


Figure 3. Slide bar weight-sensing assembly.

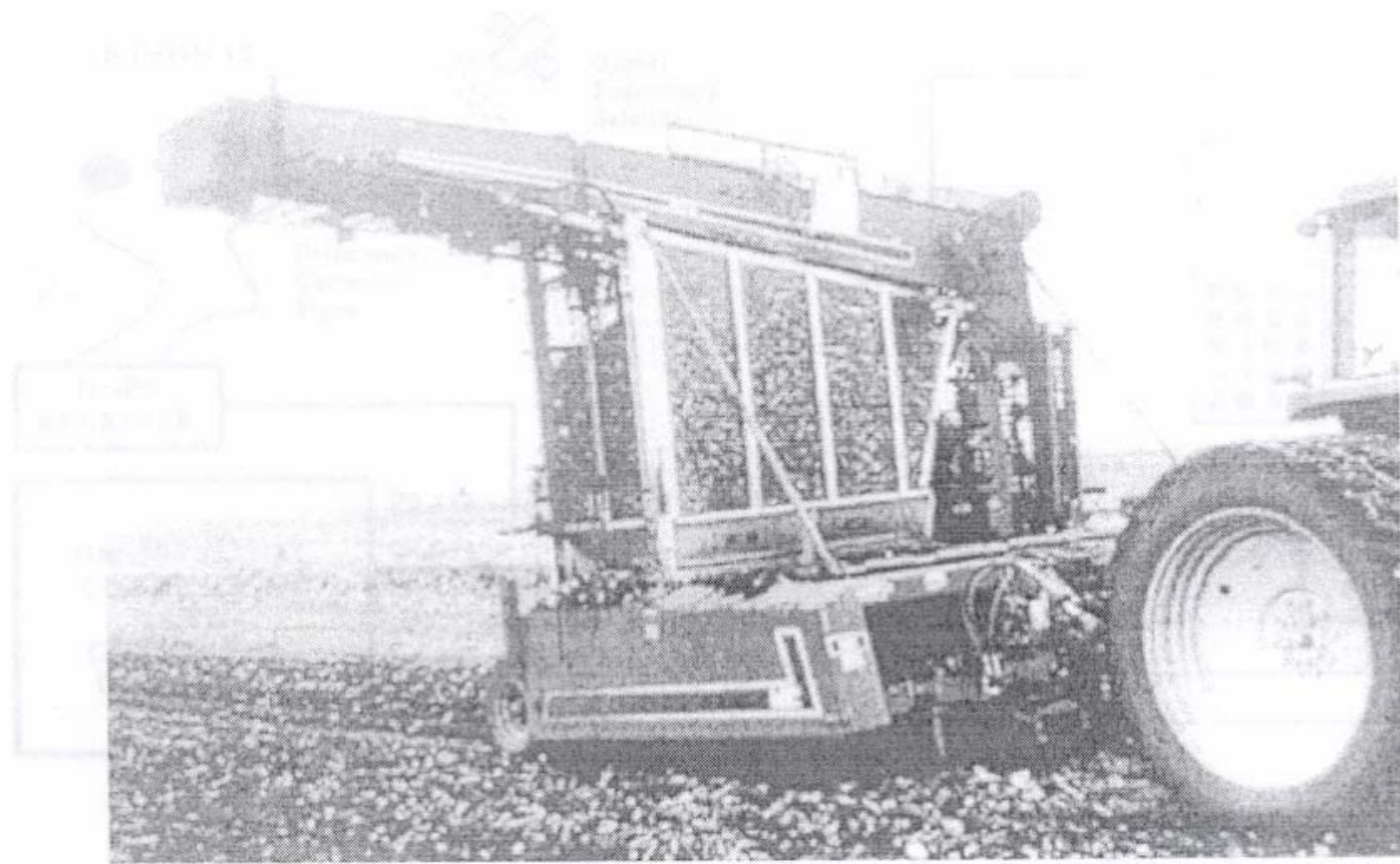


Figure 1. WIC sugarbeet lifter.

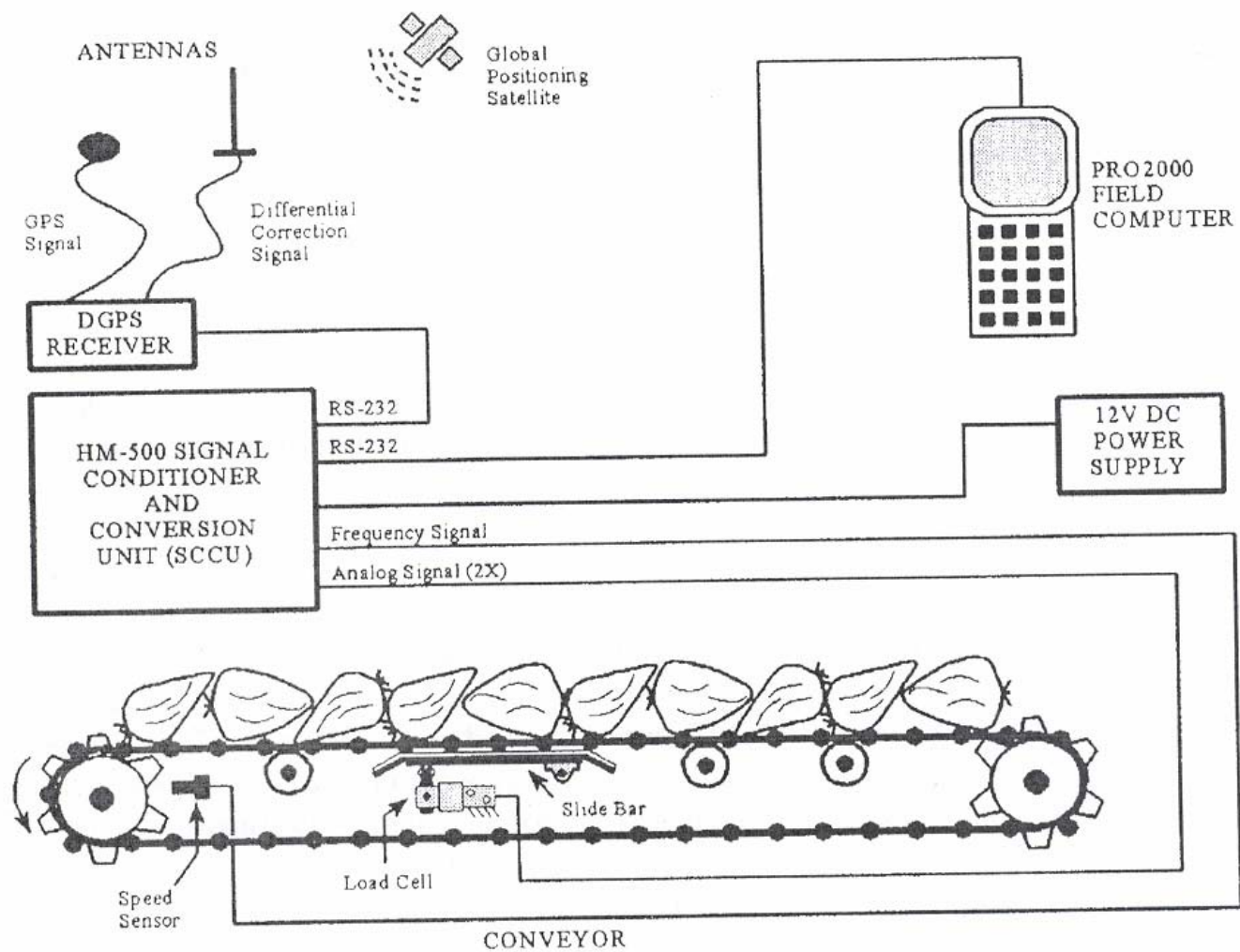


Figure 4. Sugarbeet yield-monitoring equipment setup and connection diagram.

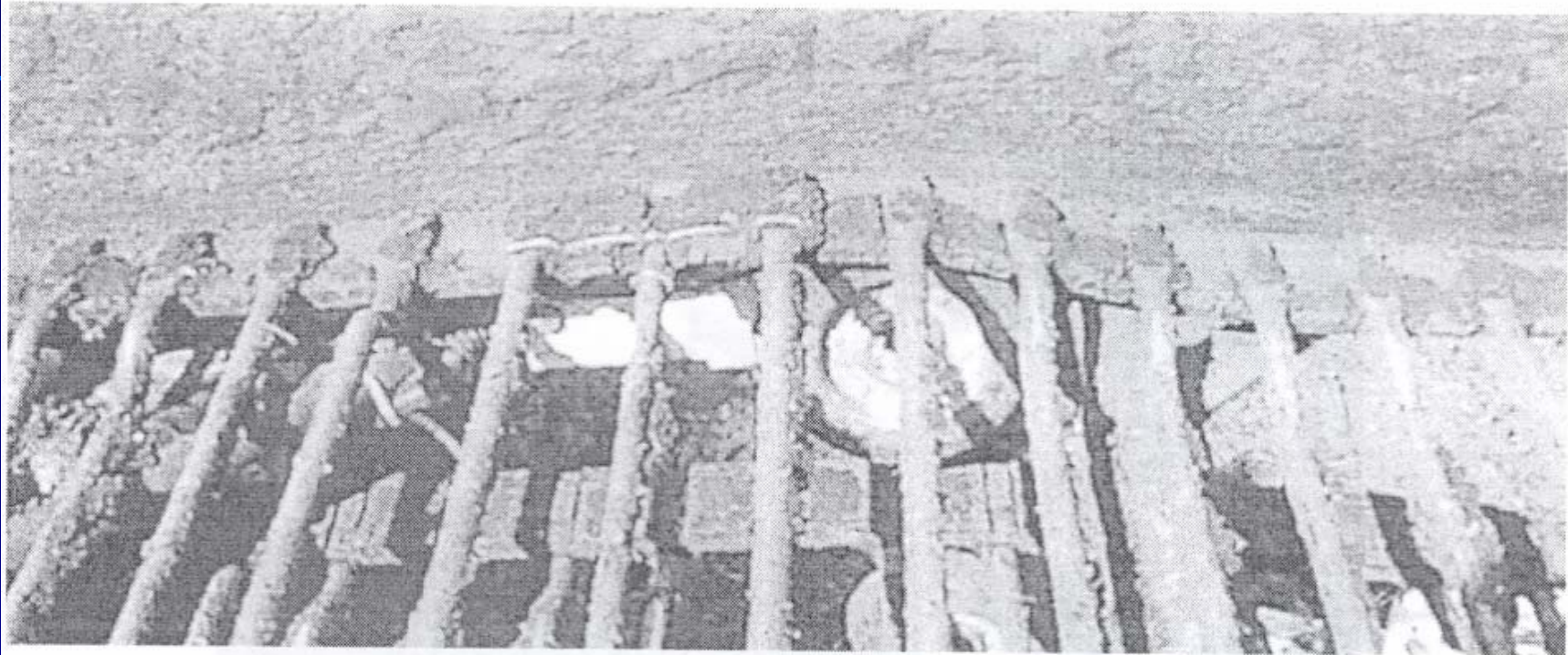


Figure 1. Load cell based product flow sensor.

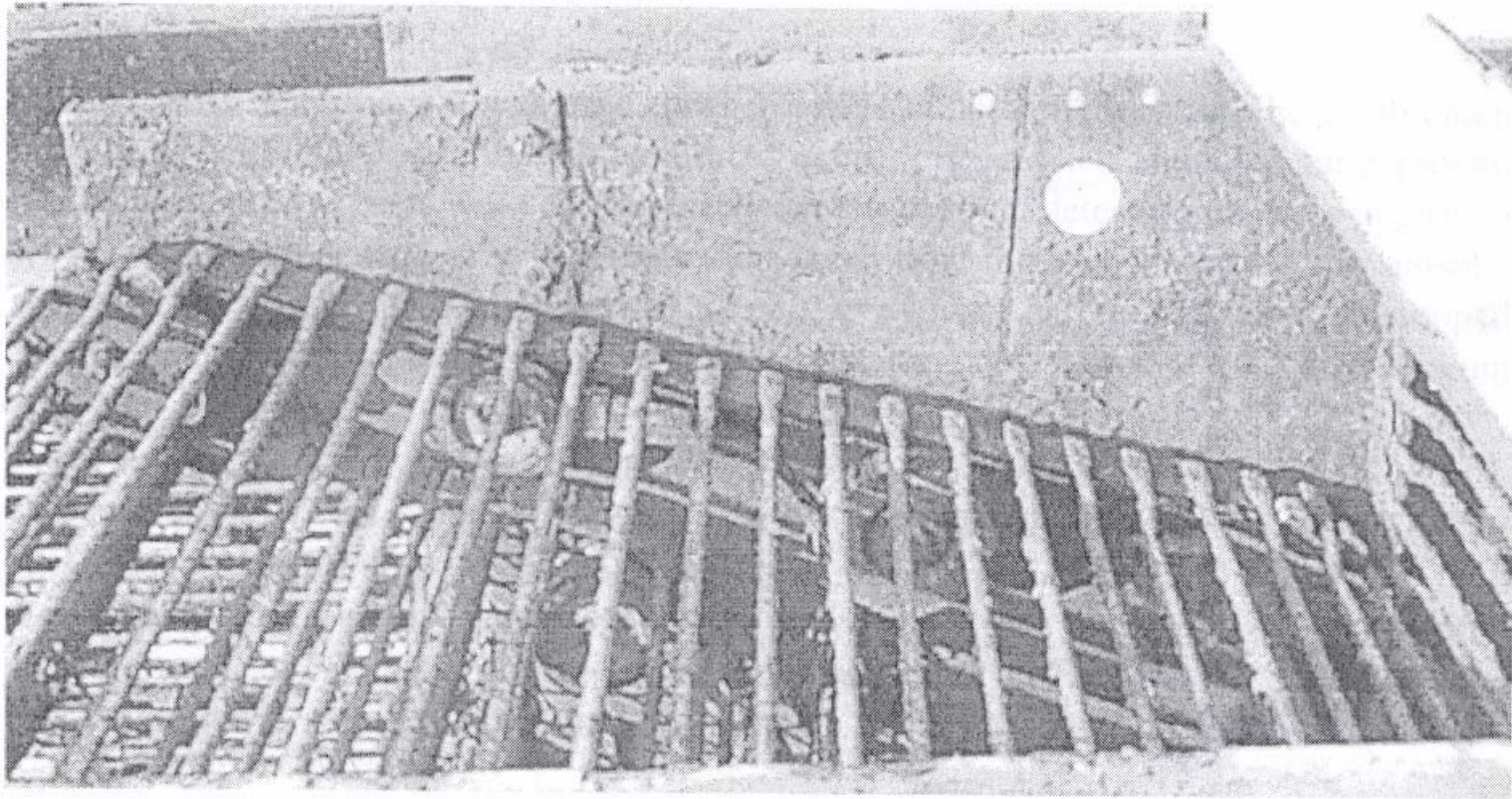


Figure 2. Scrub chain weight sensing system.







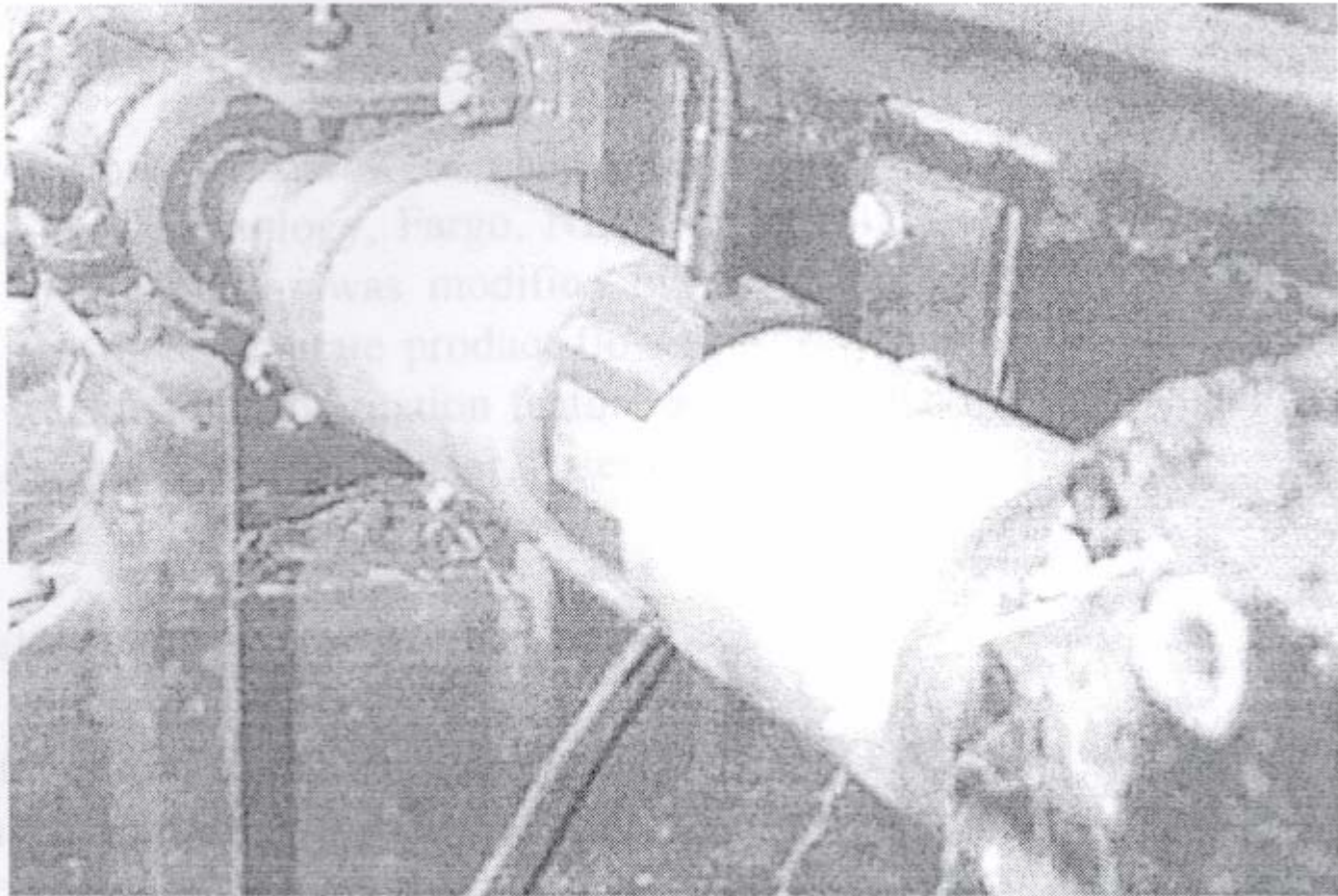


Figure 3. Torque sensor weight sensing system.

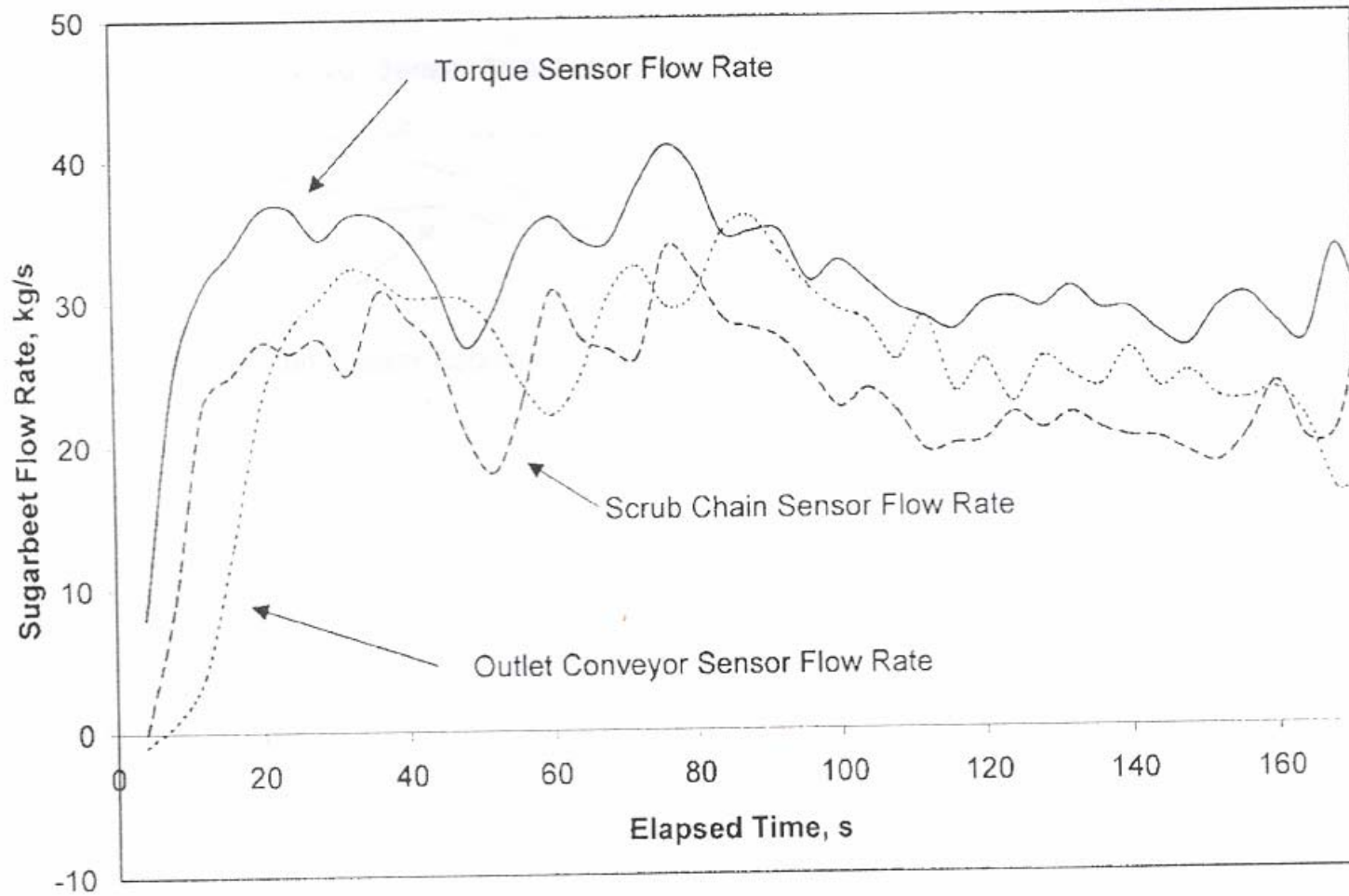


Figure 4. Calculated flow rate changes with elapsed time.

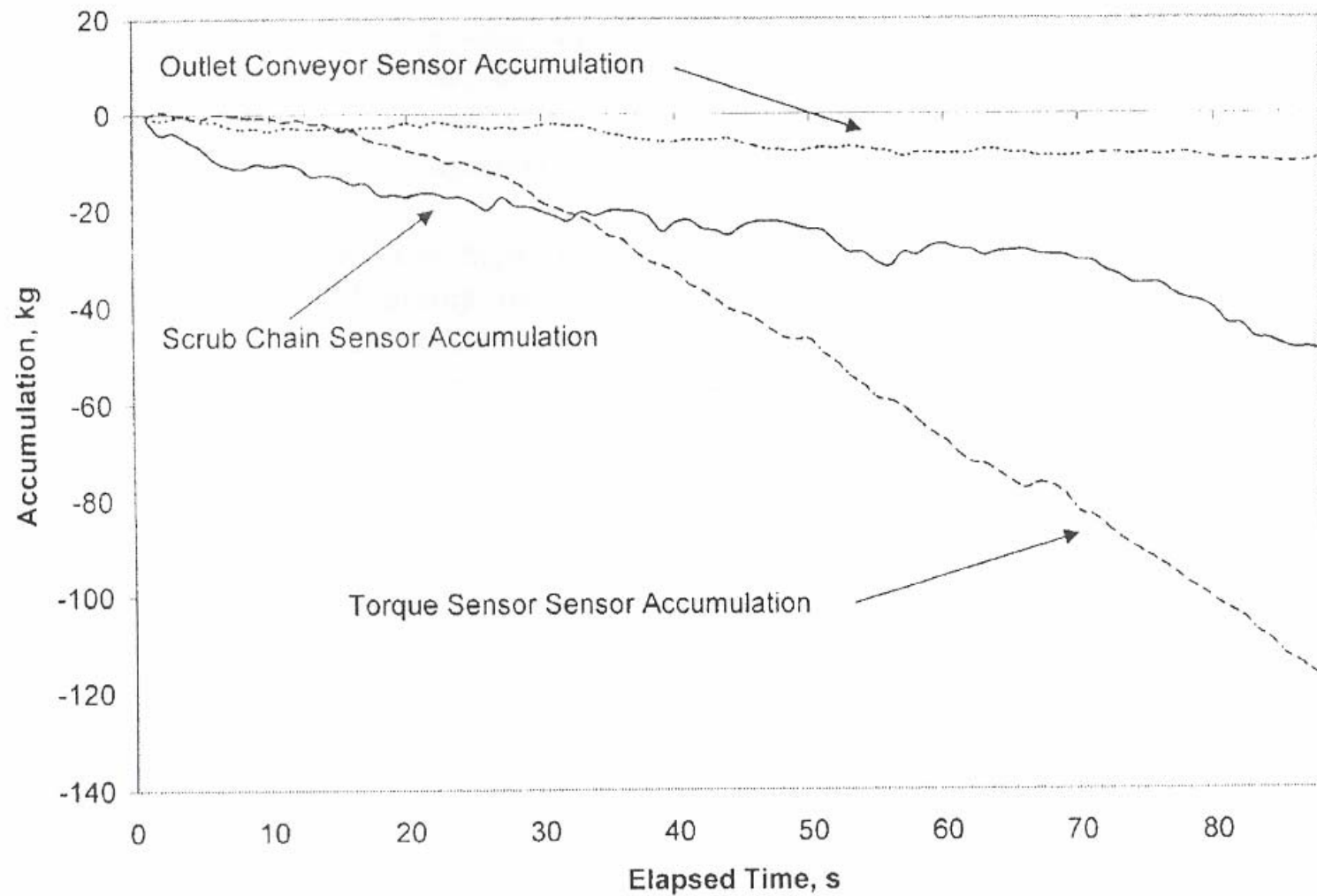


Figure 5. Stationary harvester weight accumulations.

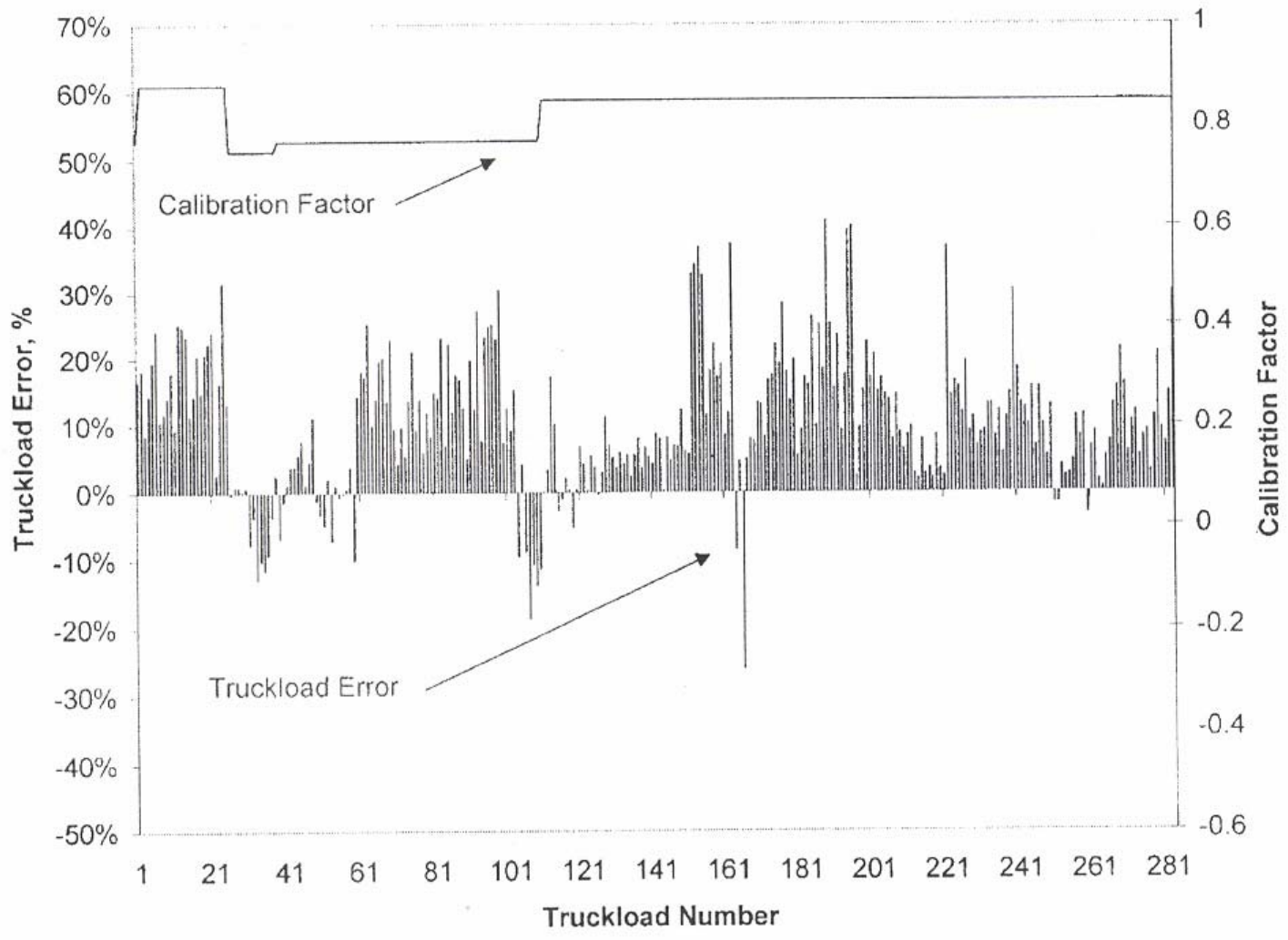


Figure 6. Outlet conveyor product flow sensor-truckload error graph.



Αισθητήρες για χορτοδοτικές καλλιέργειες

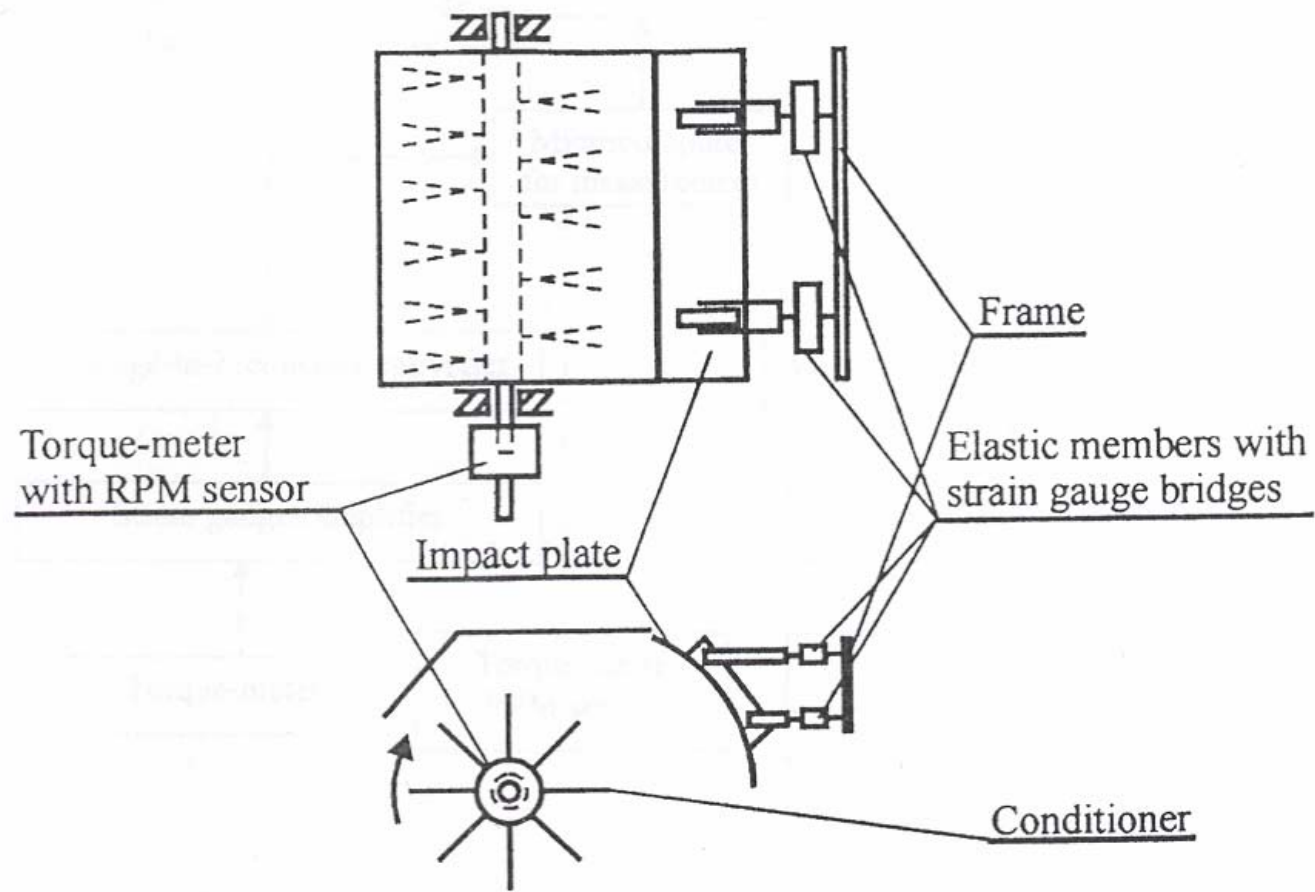


Figure 1. Equipment for material feed rate measurement.

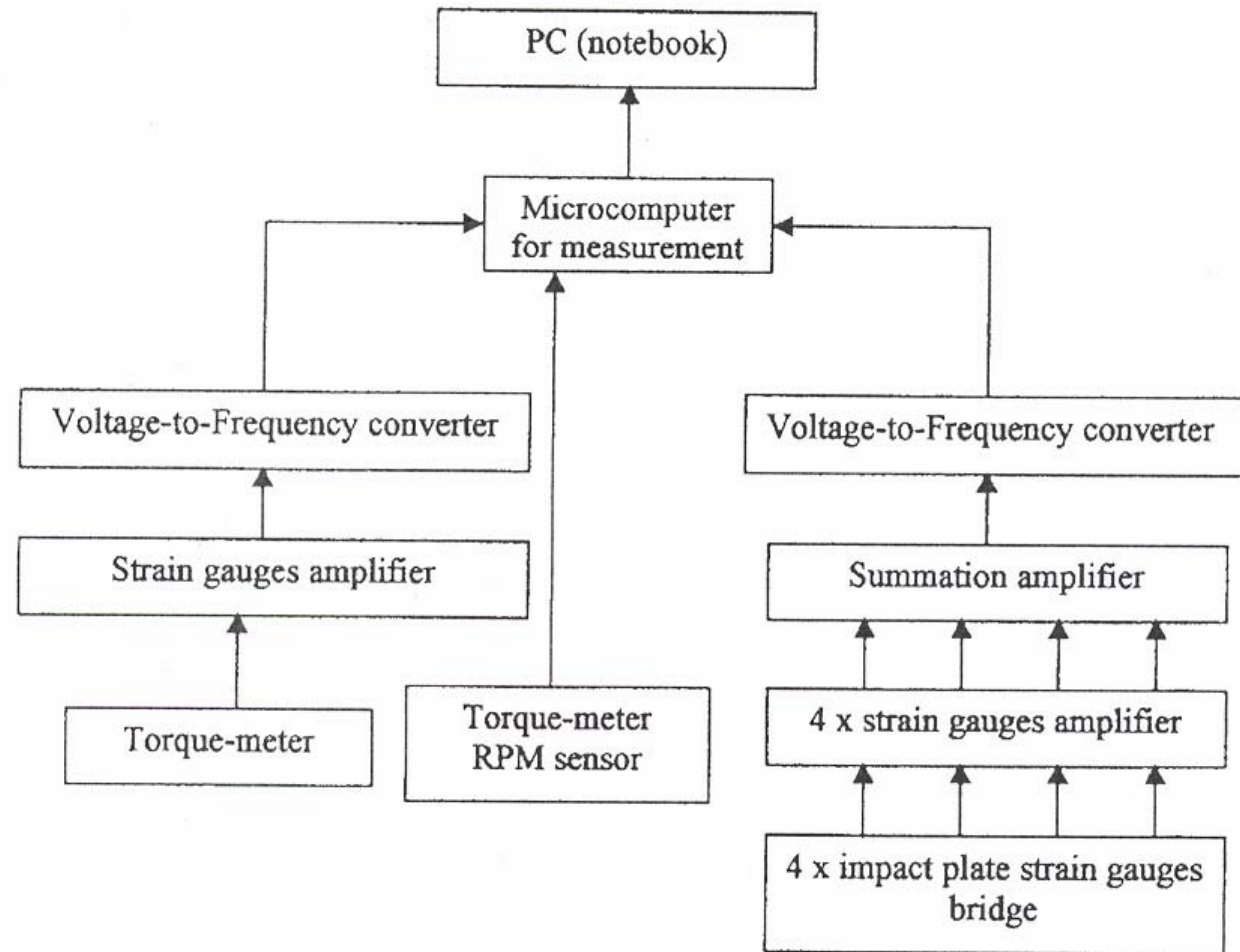
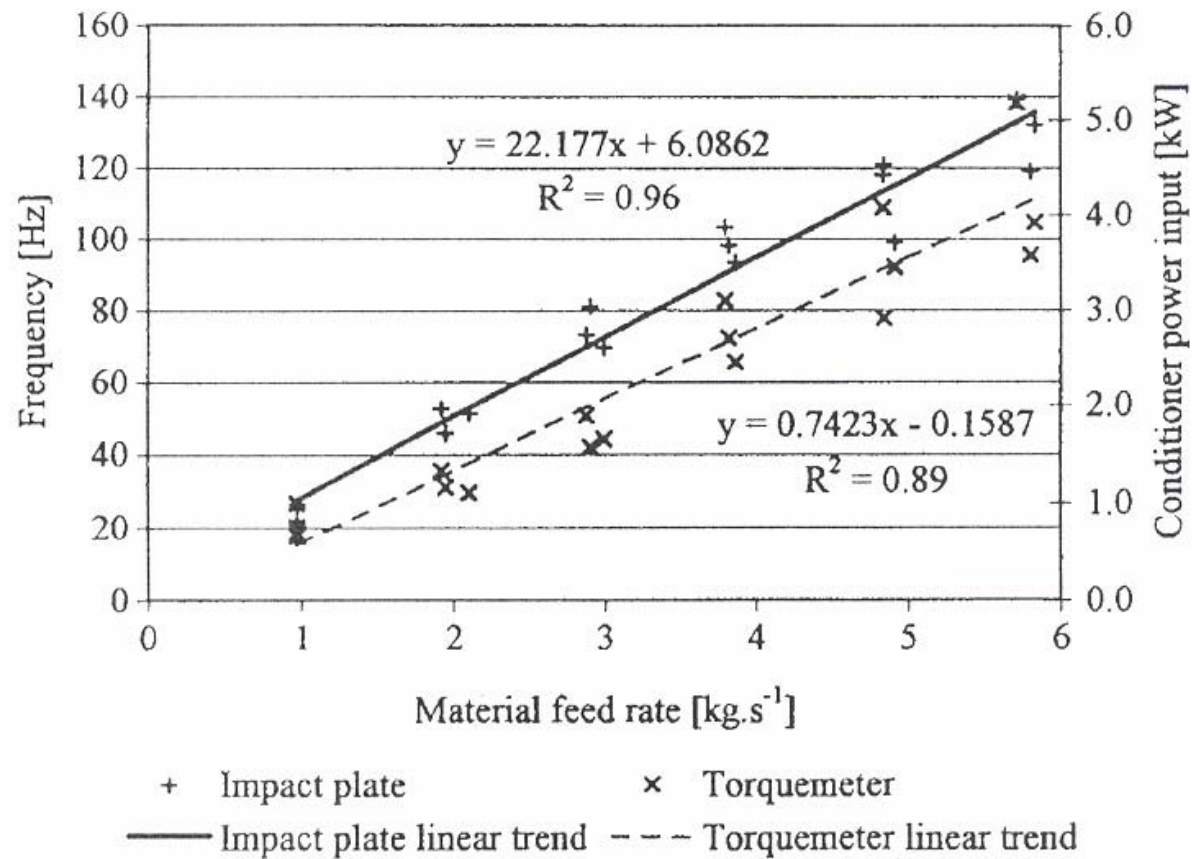


Figure 2. Block diagram of electronic apparatus arrangement for material feed rate measurement.



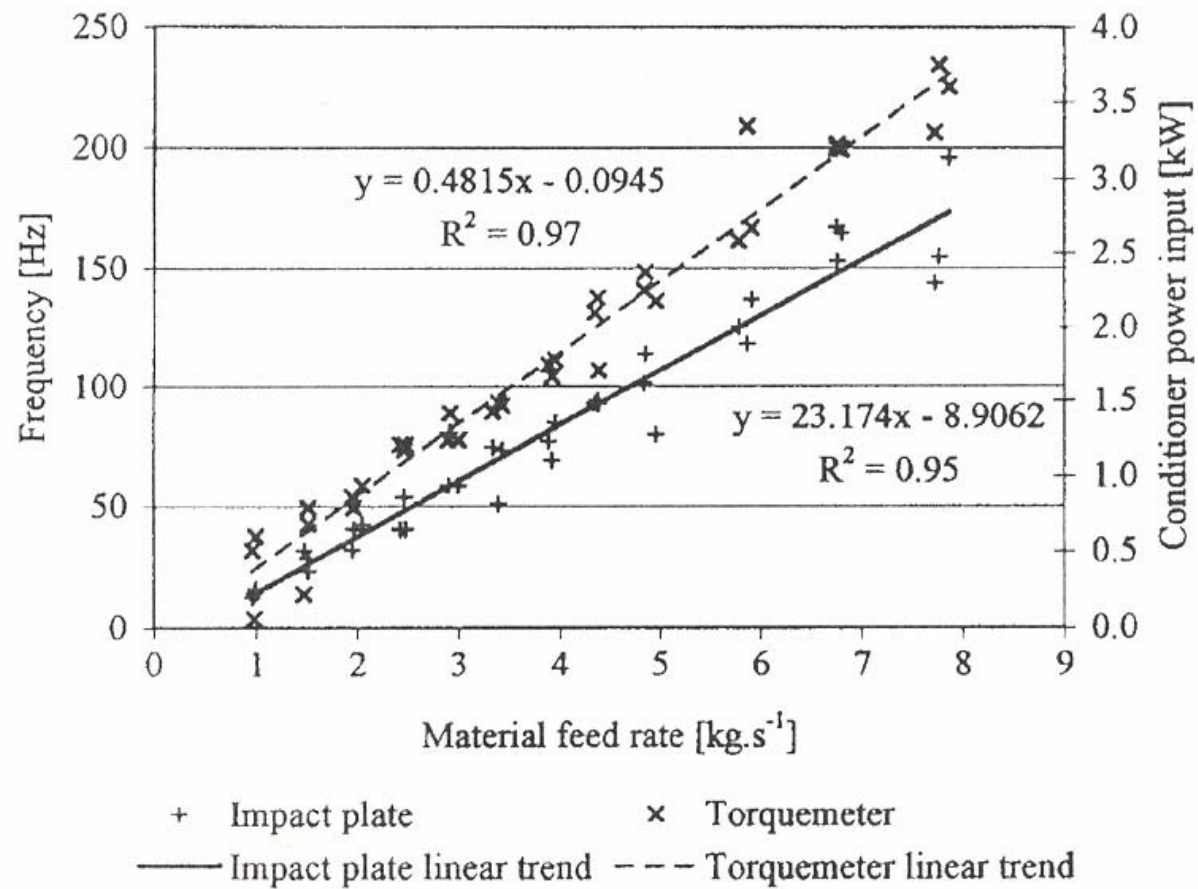


Figure 4. Dependence of the conditioner power input and output frequency of the apparatus measuring impact force by means of impact plate arrangement on material feed rate (second day measurements).

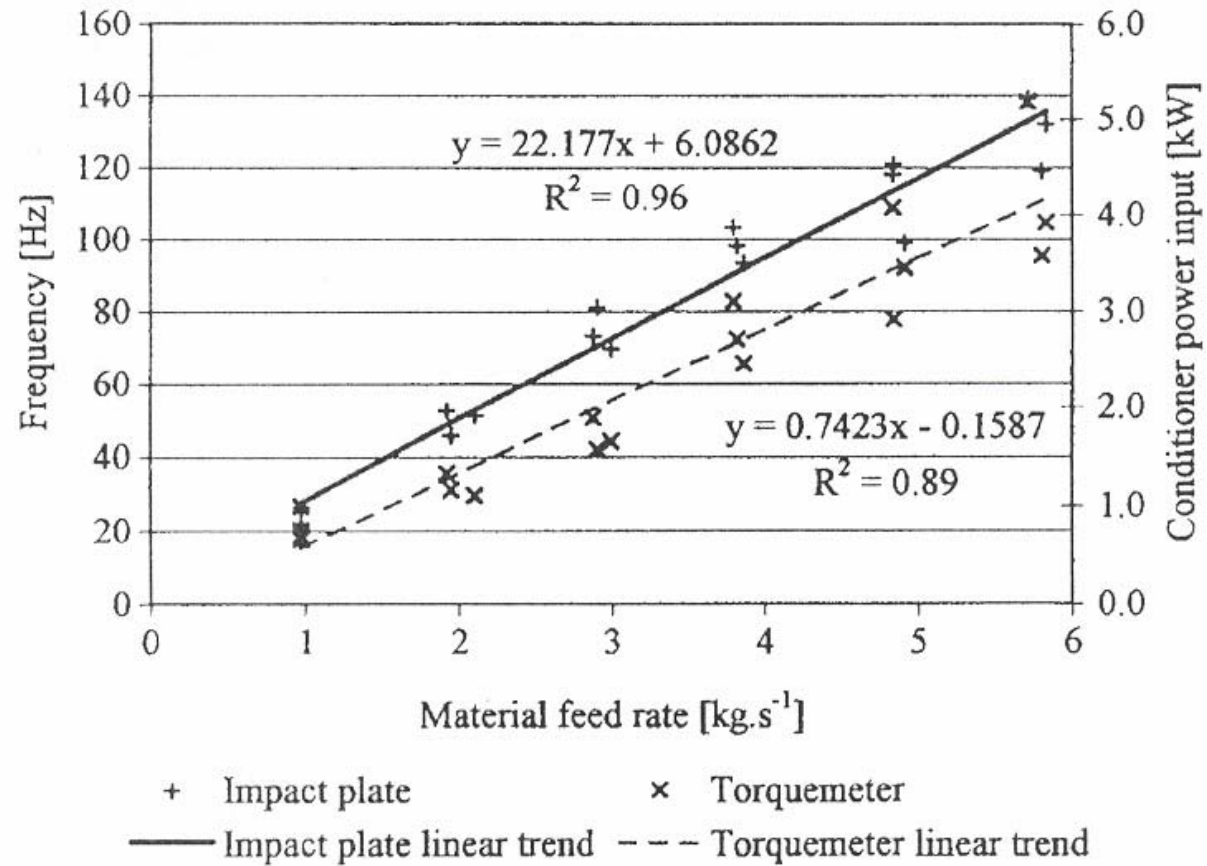


Figure 3. Dependence of the conditioner power input and output frequency of the apparatus measuring the impact force by means of impact plate arrangement on material feed rate (first day measurements).

Αισθητήρες για σταφύλια

Αισθητήρες για δενδρώδεις καλλιέργειες που συγκομίζονται με τα χέρια

- Χαρτογράφηση παραγωγής πορτοκαλιών
- Χαρτογράφηση παραγωγής ξηρών καρπών



Materials and Methods

Location : Ptolemaida area, Northern Greece
21° 50'15'' E, 40° 39'13'' N, 790m elevation













Orchard

- Area: 0.8 ha apple orchard
- Age: six years old trees
- Cultivars: Red Chief and Fuji
- Between-row spacing 4m
- Intra-row 2.5m.
- Trees were trained as free palmette.



Orchard



Measurements

- ❖ Yield : 2004, 2005
- ❖ Quality: 2004, 2005
- ❖ Flowers: 2005



Yield measurement: Yield measured per five trees and recorded the geographical position in the centre of the five trees using a hand-held computer with GPS

Flower measurement : Flowers measured every fifth tree and the data were projected to flowers / m²

Quality Measurements

Samples were taken in 30 positions for cv. Red Chief and in 20 positions for cv. Fuji. Every sample contained 6 fruits. The following parameters were measured:

- Fruit mass
- Skin color
- Flesh firmness
- Soluble solids content
- Juice pH
- Juice acidity

Quality Measurements

- Fruit mass by weighing all 6 fruit together and calculating mean value per fruit.
- Skin color with Hunter chromameter colour (L^* , a^* , b^* coordinates). The calculation of parameters C^* and hue angle followed



Quality Measurements

- **Flesh firmness** with Effegi penetrometer and 11mm diameter plunger
- **Soluble solids** content with refractometer Carl Zeiss Zena.

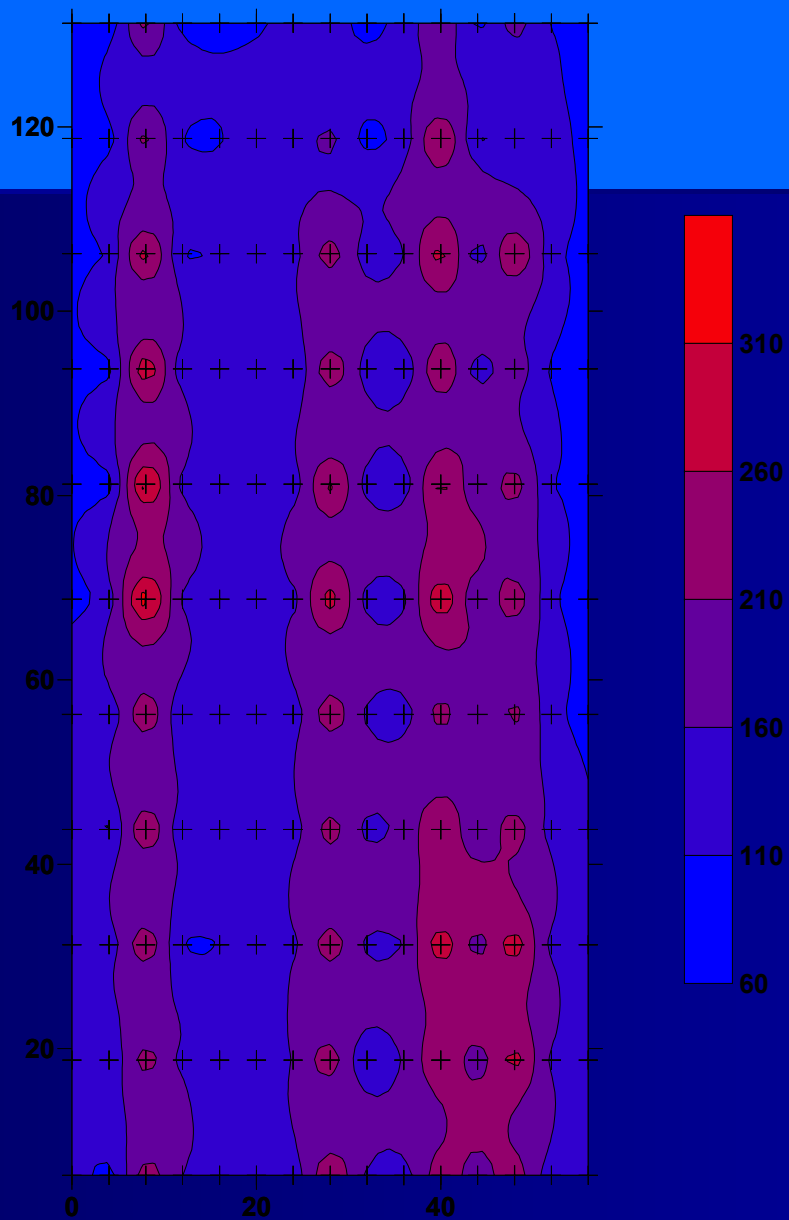


Quality Measurements

➤ Juice pH

➤ Juice acidity by titration with 0.1 N NaOH to an endpoint of pH=8.2 and calculations to express acidity as g malic acid per 100 g of juice

Apple yield map. October 2004, Prolemaida. Two varieties. Fuji and delicious

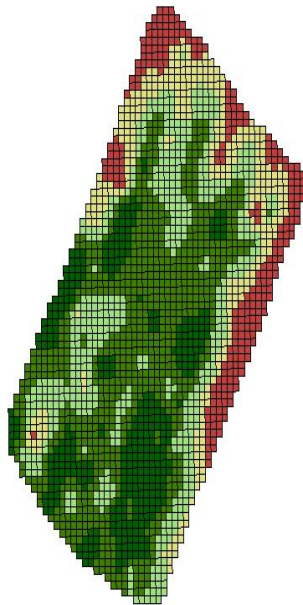


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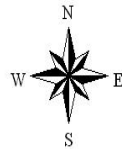
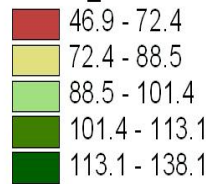
Normalized Yield 2004

2005

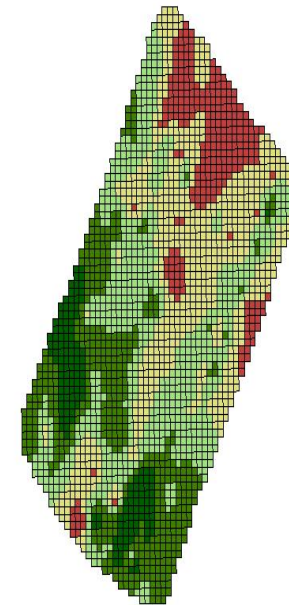
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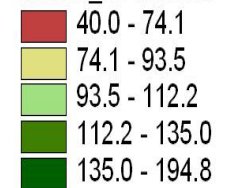
NonmY_04 Surface



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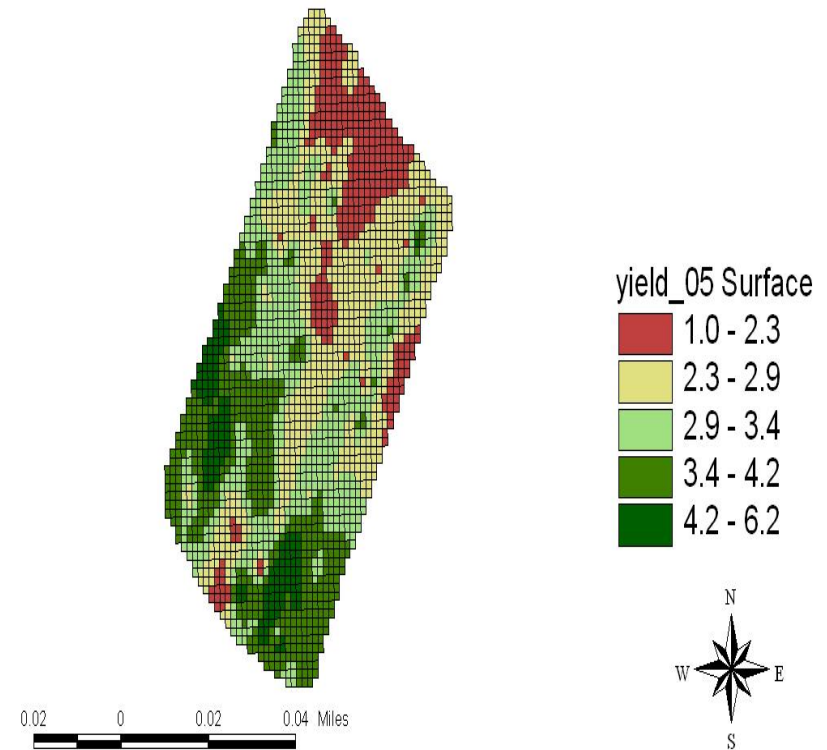
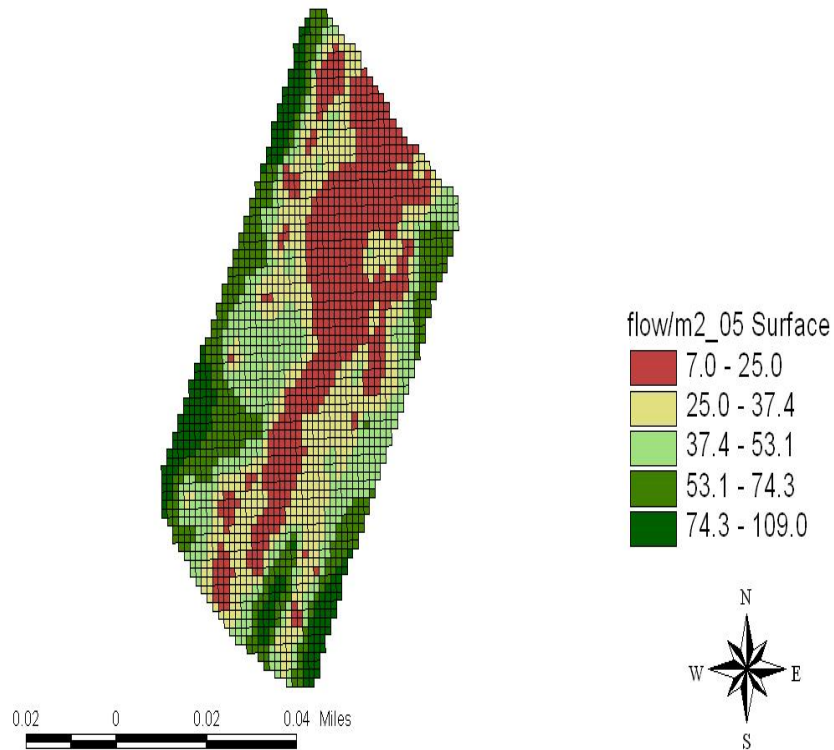
NormY_05 Surface



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Flowers/m² 2005
2005(ton/(1/10ha))
r= 0.67

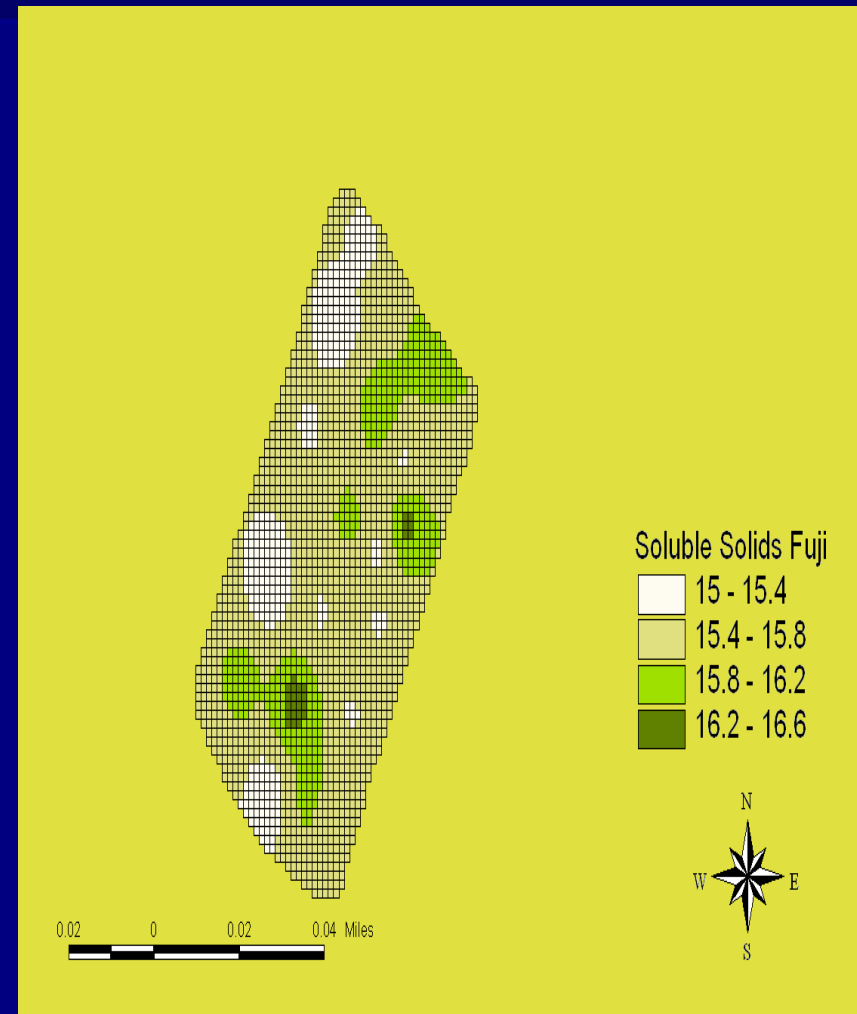
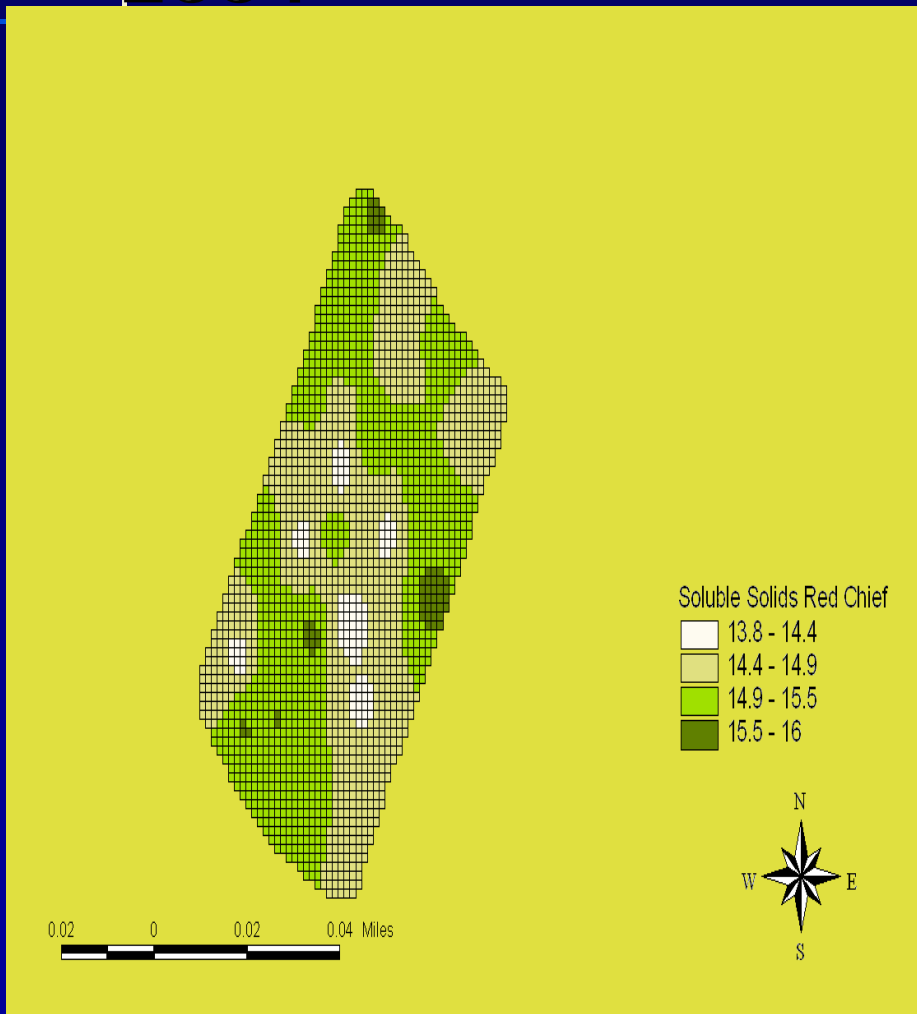
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Soluble solids content

cv. Red Chief 2004
2004

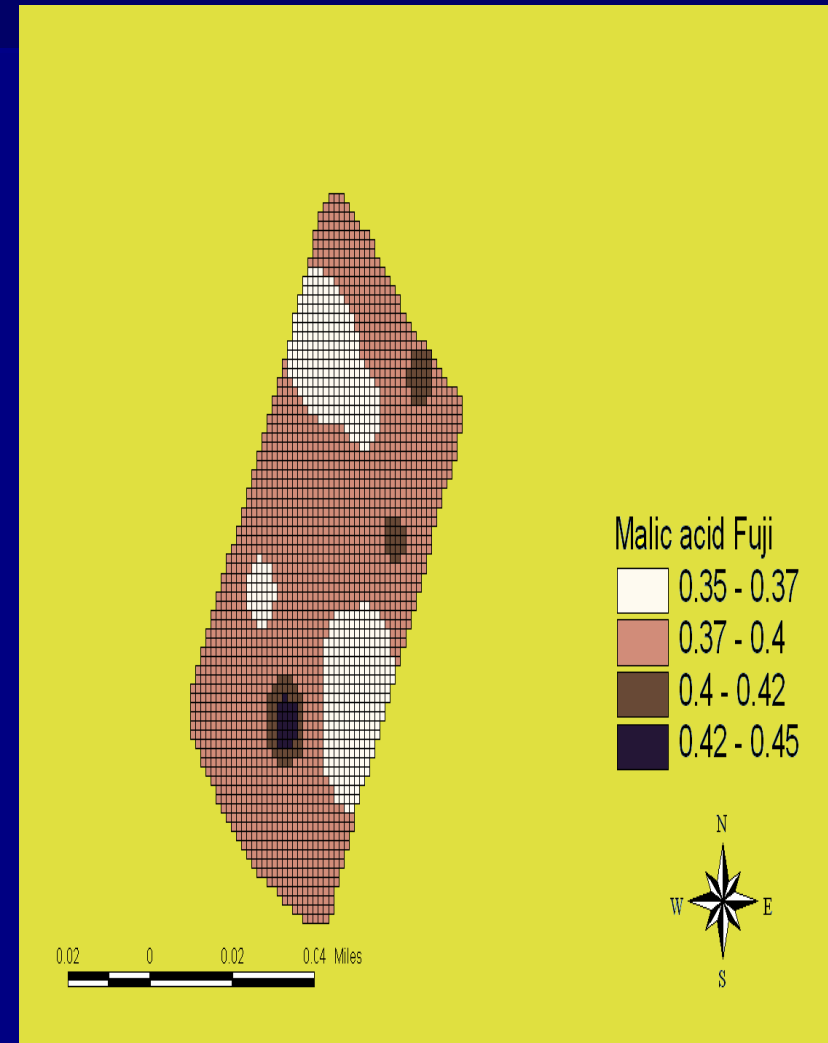
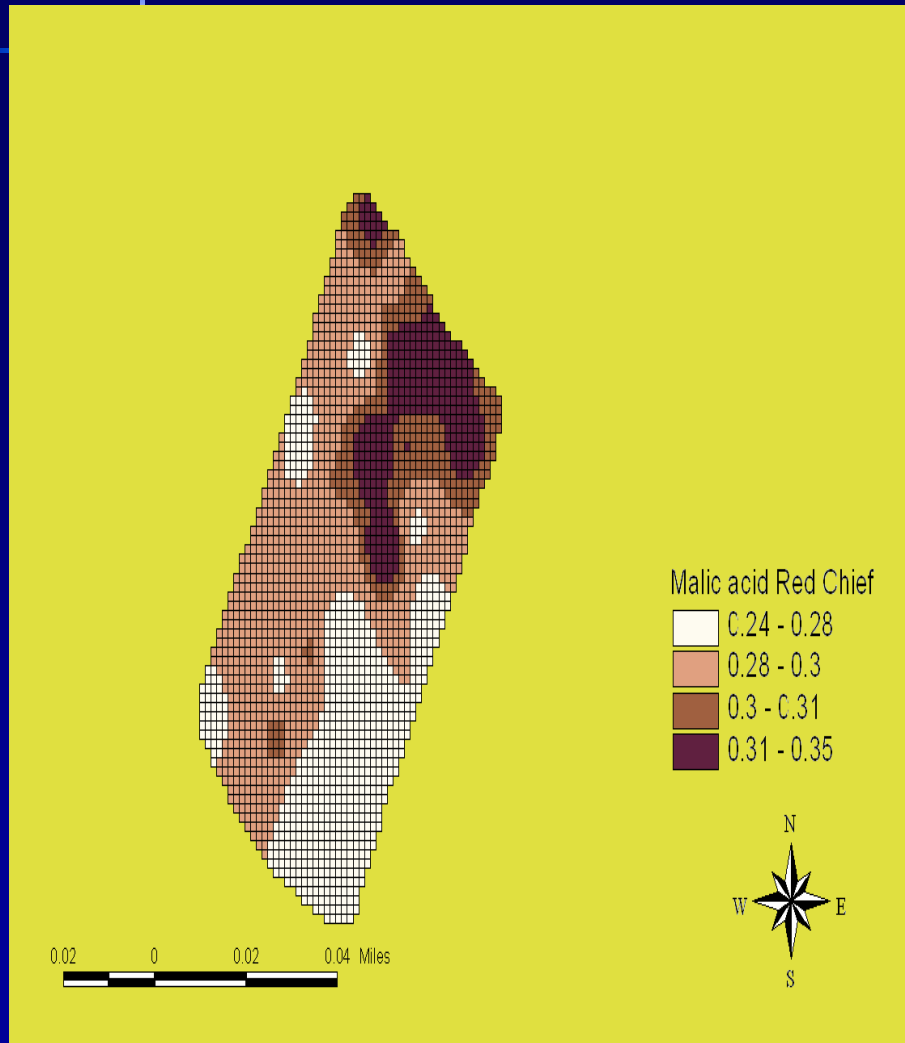
cv. Fuji



Malic acid content

cv Red Chief 2004

cv. Fuji 2004

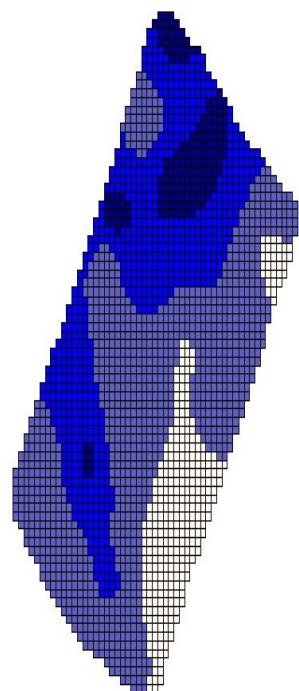


Flesh Firmness (N)

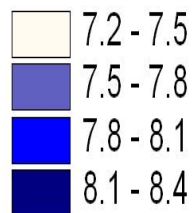
cv Red Chief 2004

2004

cv. Fuji

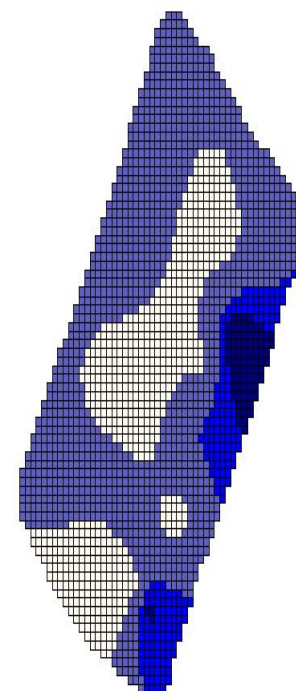


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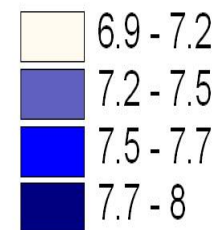


0.02 0 0.02 0.04 Miles

A scale bar with markings at 0.02, 0, 0.02, and 0.04 Miles.



FF Surface F



0.02 0 0.02 0.04 Miles

A scale bar with markings at 0.02, 0, 0.02, and 0.04 Miles.

Correlations Red Chief 2004

	Yield/tree	Fruit mass	Malic acid	Flesh Firmness	Soluble Solids	Juice pH	Tree diameter
Yield/tree	1						
Fruit mass	0.13	1					
Malic acid	-0.04	-0.22	1				
Flesh firmness	-0.16	-0.78*	0.29	1			
Soluble solids	-0.44*	-0.04	0.08	0.24	1		
Juice pH	-0.30	0.05	-0.22	0.01	0.26	1	
Tree diameter	0.74*	-0.01	0.28	0.18	-0.14	-0.28	1

Significant at 0.05 level

Correlations Fuji 2004

	Yield/ tree	Fruit mass	Malic acid	Flesh firmness	Soluble Solids	Juice pH	Tree diameter
Yield/ tree	1						
Fruit mass	-0.03	1					
Malic acid	-0.26	-0.16	1				
Flesh firmness	-0.25	0.09	0.29	1			
Soluble solids	-0.49*	-0.07	0.61*	0.43	1		
Juice pH	0.13	0.16	-0.32	-0.37	-0.37	1	
Tree diameter	0.38	-0.25	0.03	-0.44	-0.19	0.26	1

Significant at 0.05 level

Correlations Red Chief 2005

	Fruit mass	L	C	Hue	Flesh firmness	Soluble Solids	Juice pH	Malic acid	Yield /tree
Fruit mass	1								
L	0.32	1							
C	0.38*	0.68*	1						
Hue	0.37*	0.85*	0.78*	1					
Flesh Firmness	-0.50*	-0.39*	-0.61*	-0.69*	1				
Soluble Solids	0.12	-0.07	0.02	0.18	-0.28	1			
Juice pH	0.26	0.02	0.01	-0.07	0.11	-0.06	1		
Malic acid	0.34	0.13	0.13	0.09	-0.21	0.17	-0.18	1	
Yield /tree	-0.01	0.04	-0.02	-0.04	-0.02	-0.34	0.11	-0.02	1

*Significant at 0.05 level

Correlations Fuji 2005

	Yield/ tree	Fruit mass	Flesh Firmness	Soluble Solids	Juice pH	Malic acid
Yield/ tree	1					
Fruit mass	-0.19	1				
Flesh firmness	-0.69*	-0.01	1			
Soluble solids	-0.77*	0.10	0.44	1		
Juice pH	0.38	-0.30	-0.30	-0.37	1	
Malic acid	-0.80*	0.13	0.72*	0.54*	-0.29	1

*Significant at 0.05 level

Εφαρμογή στο αμπέλι





2004.10.09



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Αισθητήρες υγρασίας

- Σημαντική κυρίως σε Θεριζοαλωνιστικές
- Μέτρηση διηλεκτρικής σταθεράς των σιτηρών με τοποθέτηση δύο ακροδεκτών στις παρειές του αναβατορίου του σπόρου
- Συνήθως γίνεται με τοποθέτηση των στοιχείων ενός πυκνωτή στις πλευρές του σωλήνα μεταφοράς

- $C = K * C_0$

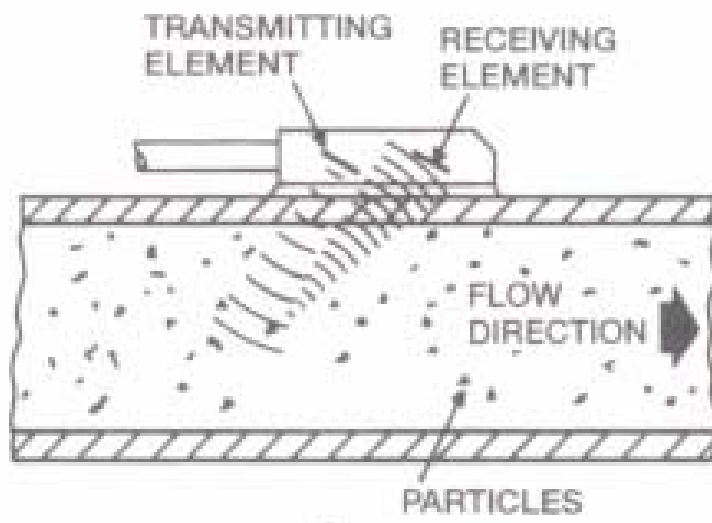
- $V = Q_0 / C = C_0 * V_0 / K * C_0$

- $K = V_0 / V$

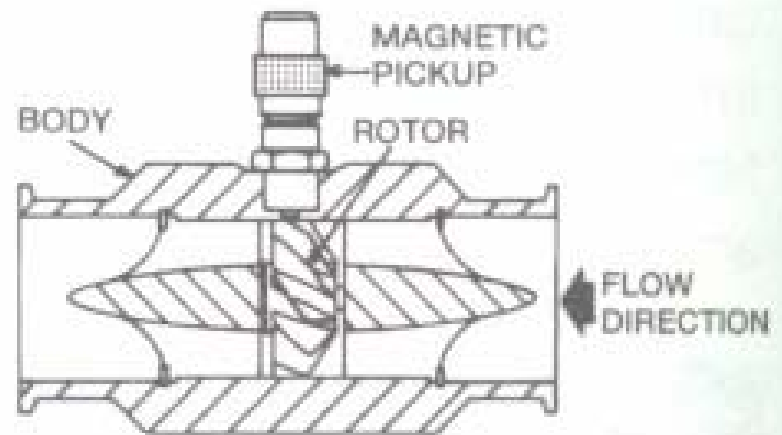
- $K =$ συνάρτηση υγρασίας

Αισθητήρες ταχύτητας εργασίας

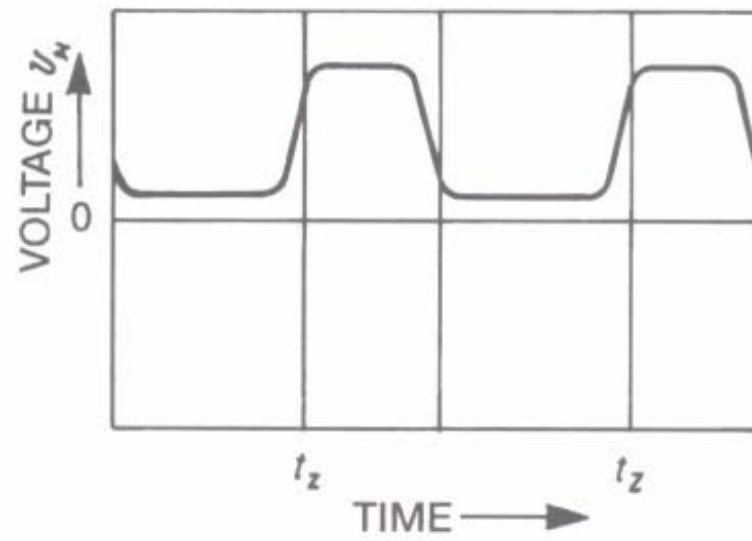
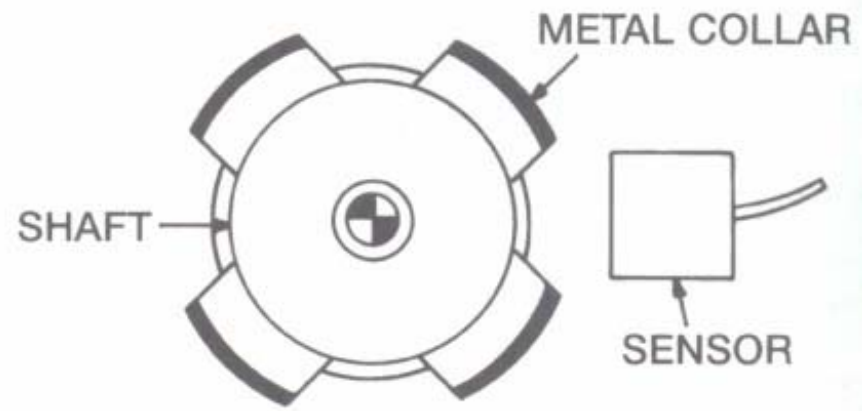
- Μέτρηση αριθμού στροφών των τροχών
- Προβλήματα από:
 - Ολίσθηση
 - Μεταβολή διαμέτρου κατά την φόρτωση της αποθήκης
- Χρήση Ραντάρ
- Εκτίμηση από στοιχεία GPS

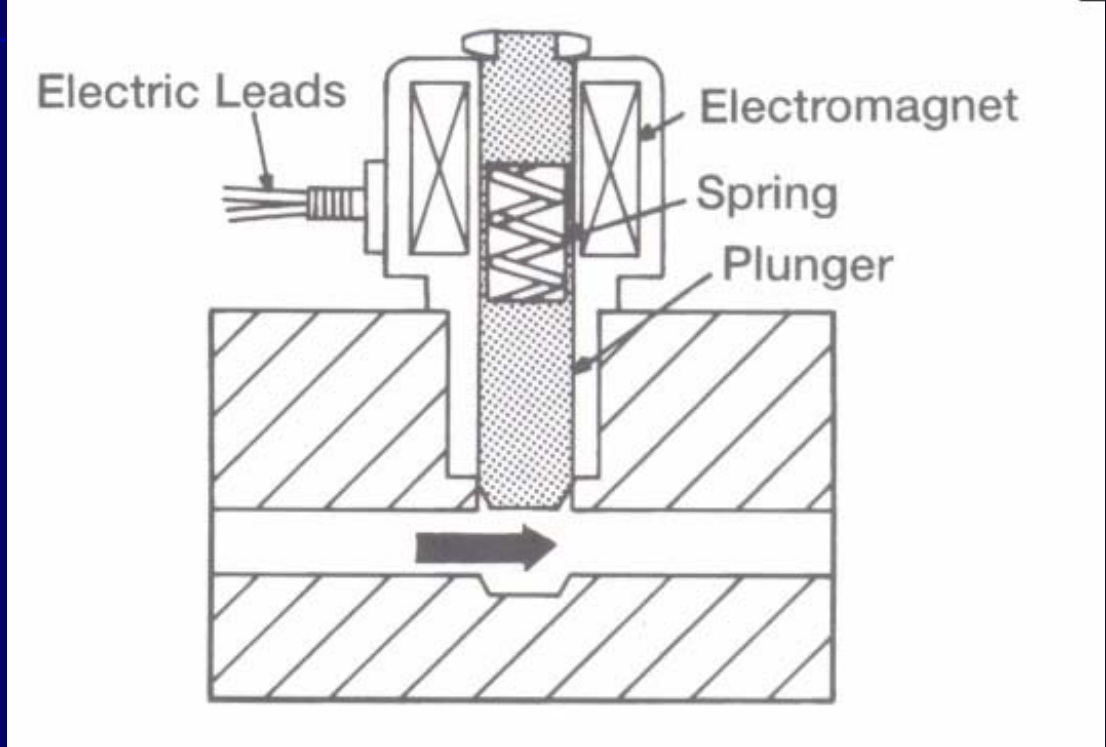


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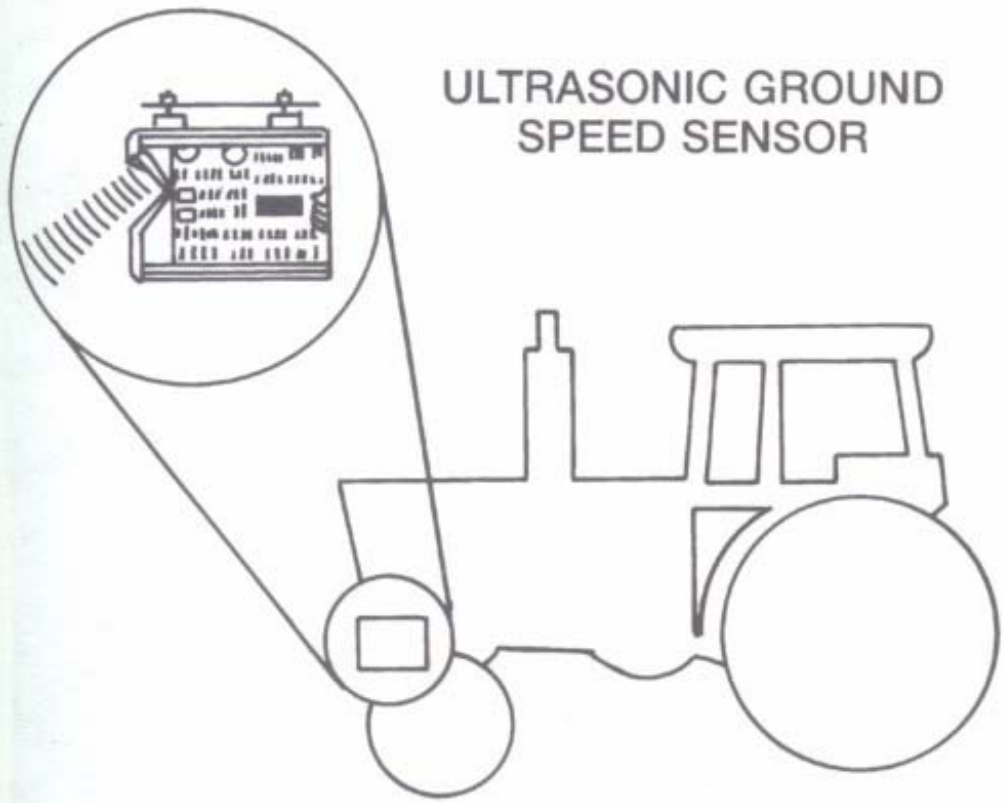


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ULTRASONIC GROUND
SPEED SENSOR



Αισθητήρας θέσης μηχανισμού συλλογής

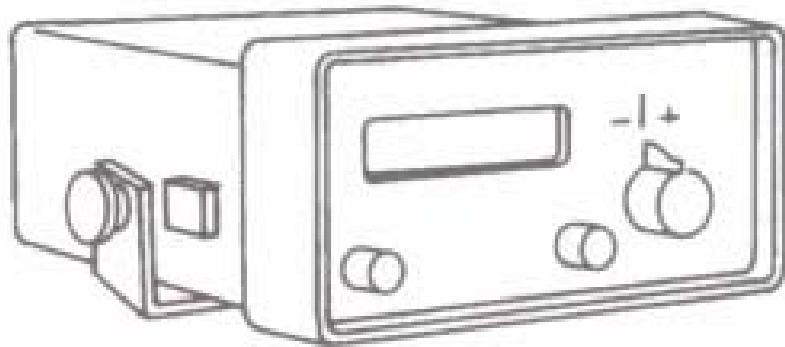
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Πλάτος εργασίας μηχανήματος

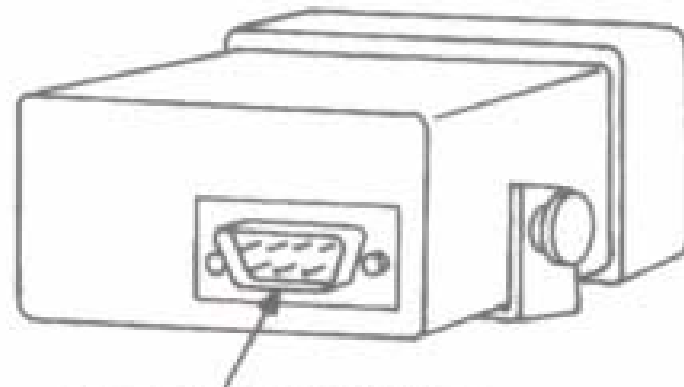
- Εύκολο στις γραμμικές καλλιέργειες που κάθε μονάδα συγκομίζει μια σειρά ορισμένου πλάτους
- Δύσκολη εκτίμηση στις Θ/Α

Μονάδα λήψης, επεξεργασίας και καταγραφής στοιχείων

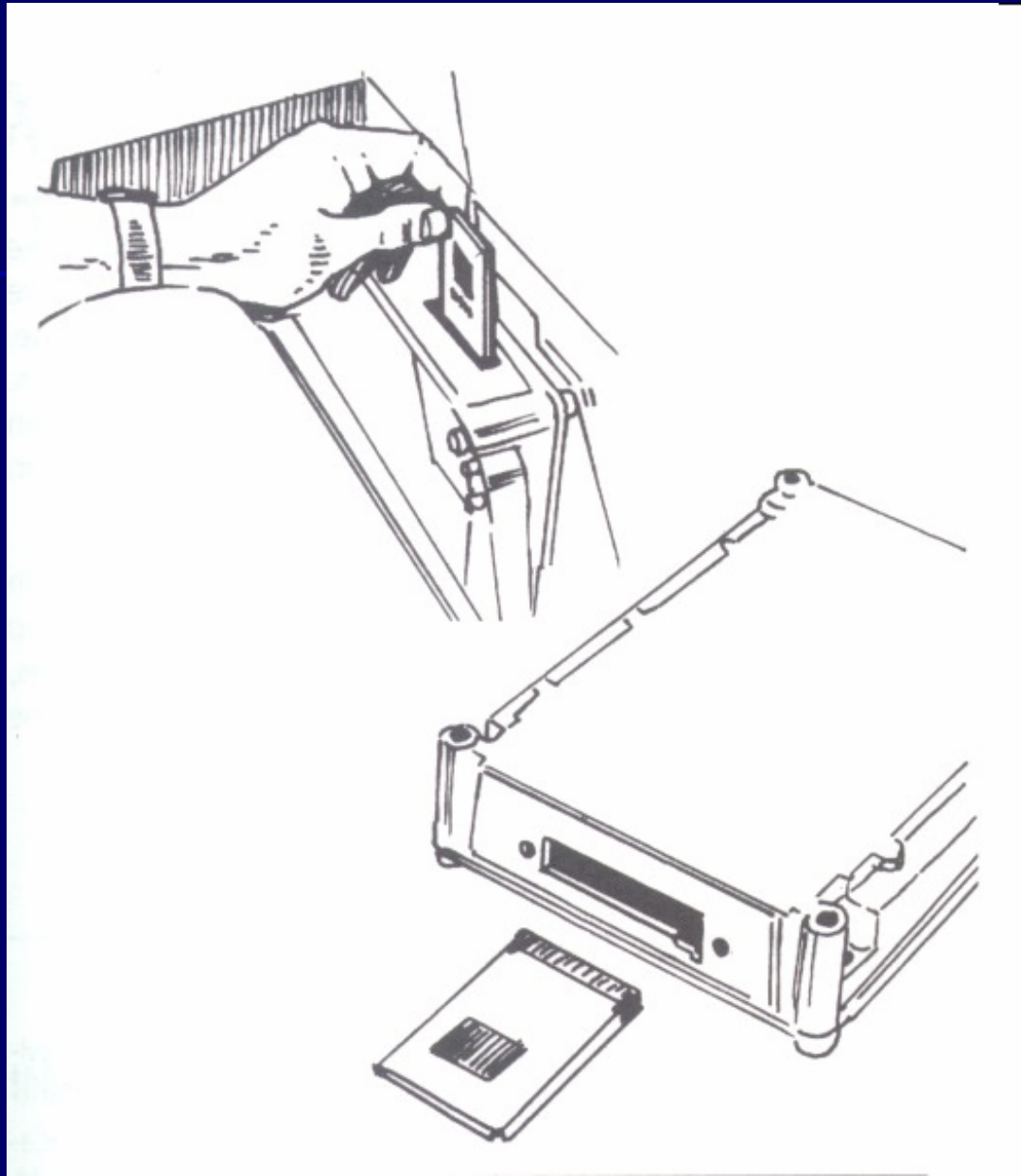


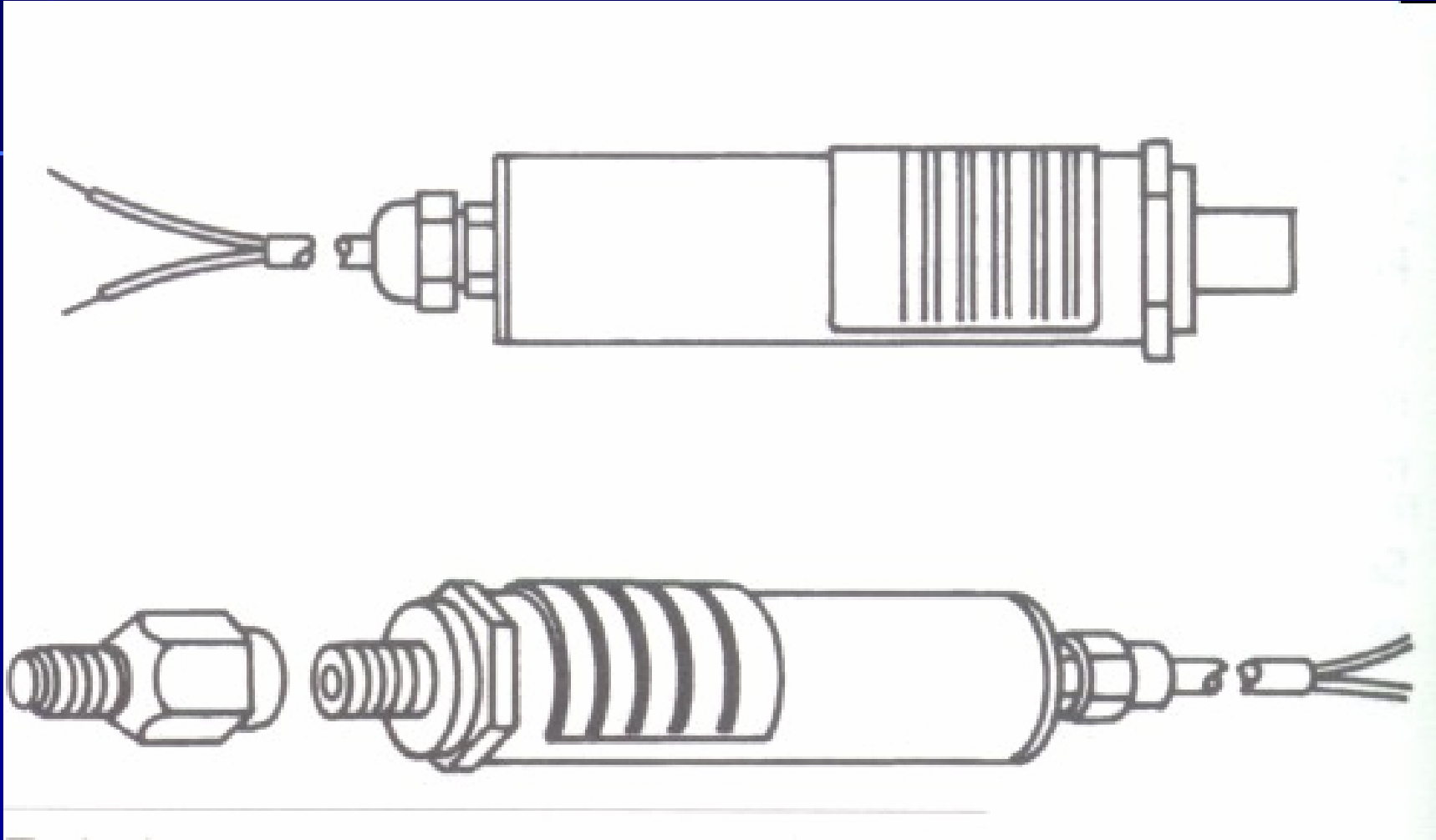


VRA CONTROLLER



SERIAL PORT
ON BACK





Προβλήματα ακρίβειας χαρτογράφησης

- Εκτίμηση πλάτους εργασίας
- Χρόνος εισόδου προϊόντος και χρόνος μέτρησης

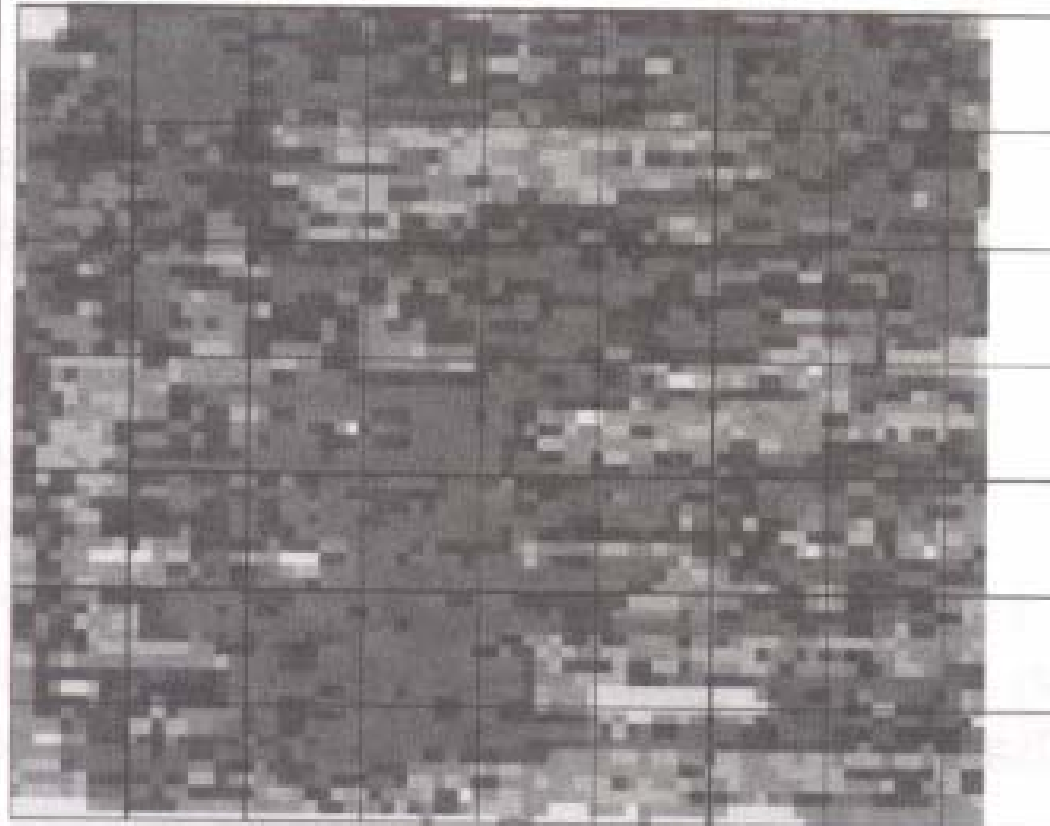
Precision Farm, Inc.

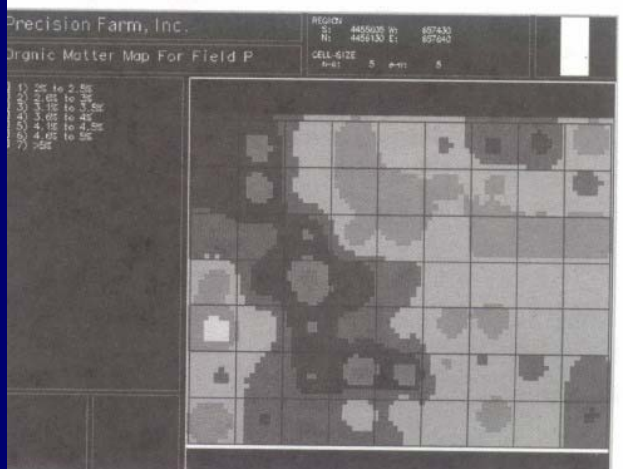
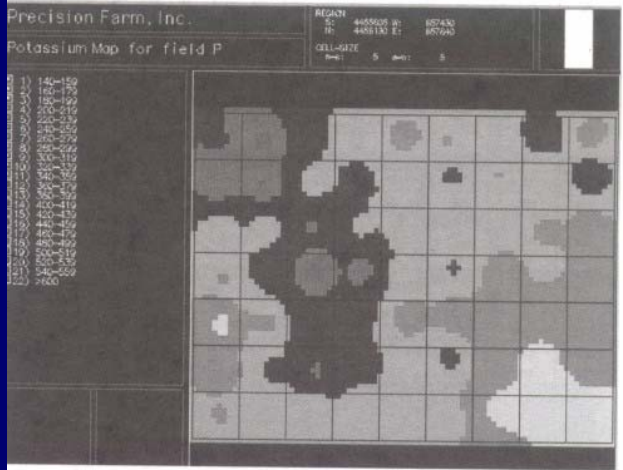
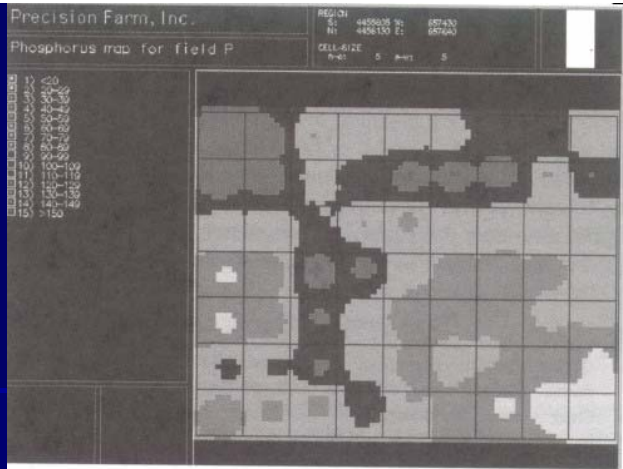
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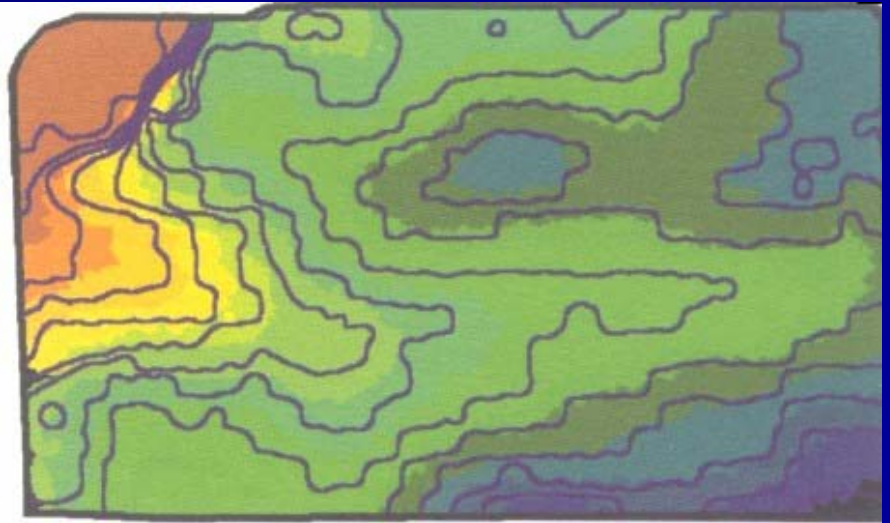
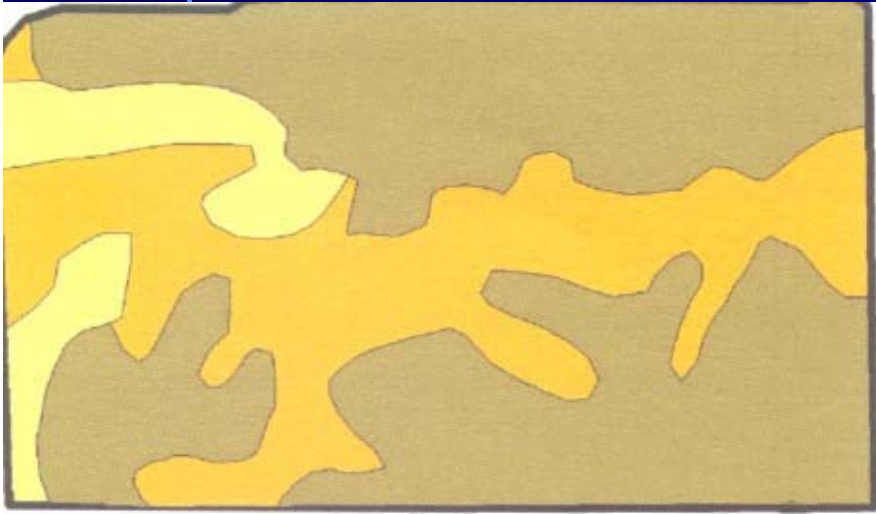
Yield map for Field P

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0 0-10 bu/ac







Exchangeable
Potassium (lb/acre)

