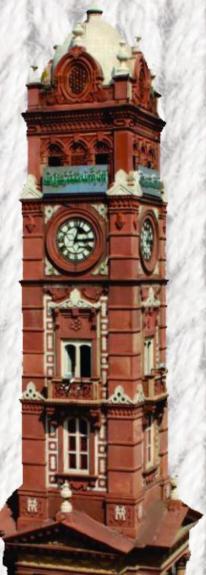


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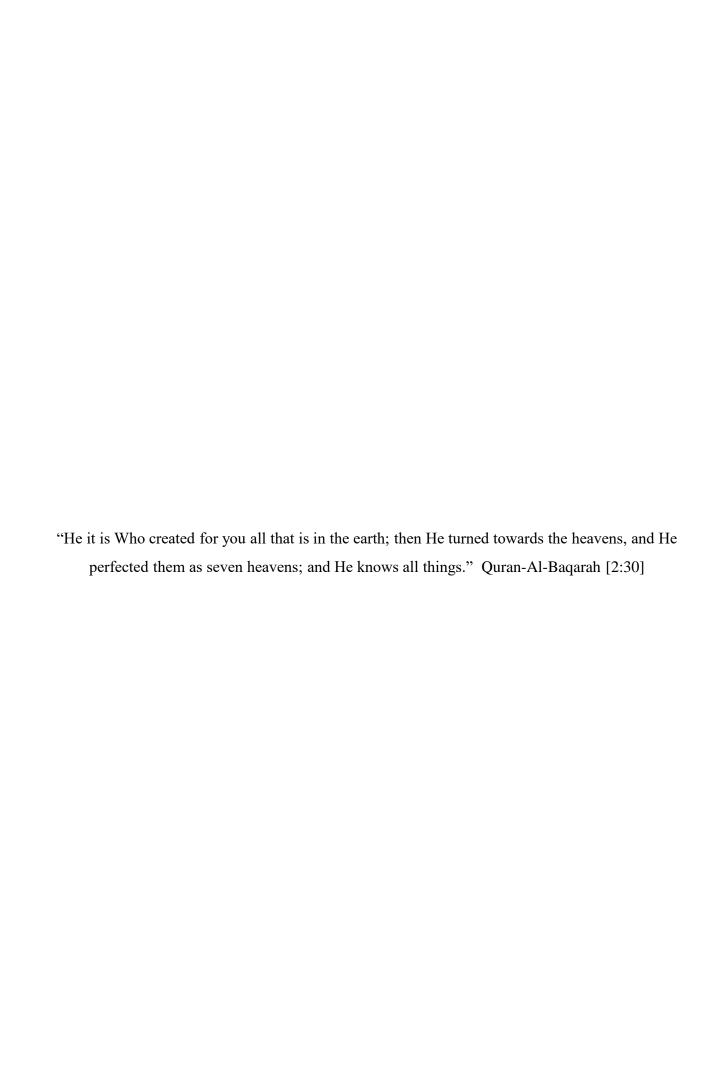
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Foreword

Textile Industry is backbone of Pakistan's economy and to strengthen the backbone it is necessary to develop a strong bond among academic personnel, industrialist, and policy makers. Conventional textile is transforming fast into technical textiles. The advancements in textile engineering are expanding due to technological advancements and innovations in raw materials. An international conference on the Emerging Trends in Knitting is being organized to discuss and share cutting edge techniques and state of the art technology in textile knitting and its associated processes. This conference will help to exchange research ideas and their impact through oral and poster presentations and question answers.

Objectives of the conference are to enhance interaction between researchers and professionals working in the field of knitting. This event will also pave ways to collaborate with international researches and scientists. Giving ample opportunities to bring innovative and creative ideas and to promote their viable ideas for commercialization is the foremost objective of this august gathering. For this purpose, a competition of innovative products from industry and academia is also being arranged.

We are thankful to all researchers and speakers from Pakistan and all around the world for their interest in presenting their research work and concern in publishing their research contributions through ETK platform. We believe that their contribution would entail a milestone in the textiles.

At the same time, we express our gratitude to all the members of the Event Organizing Committee from National Textile University for their support in arranging and organizing this event. We are grateful to the members of Technical and Steering Committee for their valuable and endeavor in the publication process of the ETK proceedings. But most of all, we truly indebted to sponsors for realizing the importance of the conference and financial support for this case. We hope the conference immense benefit for researchers, professionals, and other involved in the worldwide innovation in Knitting.

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Conference Objectives

Textile Industry is backbone of Pakistan's economy and to strengthen the backbone it is necessary to develop a strong bond among academia personnel, industrialist, and policy makers. Objectives of conference is to enhance interaction between researchers and professionals working in the field of Knitting. Many CEOs, machine manufacturers, government personages, industrialists and technical experts are attending this conference. Some international dignitaries are also joining.

Participants of this conference will get a podium to listen, share and invigorate applied research and recent advancement in Knitting. Knit to Achieve, a competition of innovative products from industry and academia is also part of the event.

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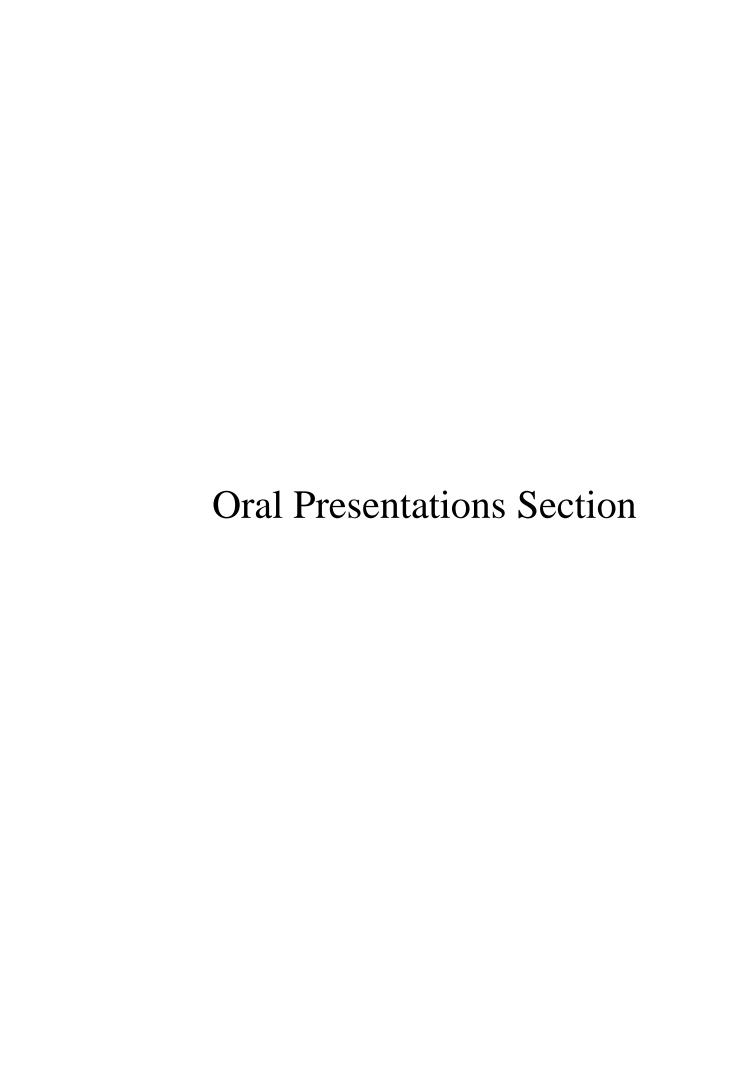
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A Review of Advances in Warp Knitting

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Abstract

Knitting is the second most frequently used technology for fabric formation after weaving. It is the

technique of interlooping of one or more yarns. When loop formation takes place in horizontal direction

by the use of one or more yarns, the technique is classified as weft knitting and when it occurs in

vertical direction using a set of yarns, it is categorized as warp knitting. Although, both weft- and warp

knitted fabrics have some merits and demerits, however stronger and dimensionally stable 2D and 3D

structures can be constructed on warp knitting machines, which find applications in many types of

technical textiles. This paper focuses on the recent developments in warp knitting, which enable this

century's old technology with certain modifications for use in highly sensitive areas like health and

human safety.

Keywords: Warp knitting, 2D structures, 3D structures, Human safety, Health monitoring

High-strength Nano-fibers for Lithium Ion Batteries

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Abstract

Lithium ion batteries have received great attention due to their high energy density, high operational

voltage, long cycle life, and low self-discharge rate. In order to use lithium ion batteries in large-scale

power sources, new battery components are needed to improve safety and performance of the batteries.

In lithium ion batteries, separator is placed between two electrodes to prevent physical contact and

allow ionic transport. Microporous membranes are commonly used in commercial lithium ion batteries

however, their low wettability and thermal stability limits battery performance and cause safety

concerns. In this study, thermally-stable nanofiber based separators with high mechanical strength have

been produced and used in lithium ion batteries. Physical characterization results demonstrated that

nanofiber based separators have high thermal stability (above 150 °C) with the mechanical strength of

above 20 MPa. In addition, better electrochemical performance was observed owing to high porosity

and good electrolyte affinity of these separators.

Keywords: Lithium ion batteries, Nano fibers, Micro-porous membrane

Prevailing Trends in Knitted Fabric Dyeing Machines

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Abstract

There is a rapid change during the last decade in the technology of knitted fabric dyeing machines,

mainly in the design and in automation. Latest technology addressed long time issues. For example,

shade variation when different fabrics are dyed together e.g. fleece and rib, a huge amount of water

was used in the dyeing process. It was due to high liquor to goods ratio (L: R) and conventional

technology of continuous rinsing. Moreover, people were facing a serious issue of creases, dyeing of

light weight fabric and fabric having spandex yarn, limitation of batch size. This article is to elaborate

with the latest development in knitted fabric dyeing machines technology. The objective is to introduce

the industry the latest technology and new ideas so that Pakistan Textile Industry may compete in the

international market. With obsolete technology and abandoned machinery, remarkable share in

international trade is not possible.

Keywords: Knitted fabric, Prevailing trends in knitting, Pakistan textile industry, Knitted fabric

dyeing

Possibilities of Tubular Knitting in Design Developments for Pakistani Knitting Industry

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Abstract

Textile industry has prominent position in economic structure of Pakistan. Textile industry is capable of making yarn to garment products. In Pakistan Fabric manufacturing sector is mainly divided into two main categories one is weaving and second is knitting goods. During September, 2016 the 9 selected commodities of Textile Manufactures contributed 59.55% of total exports in which the share of knitwear bed-wear, cotton fabrics, articles of apparel & clothing accessories (excl. knitwear), cotton yarn, and towels were 11.95%, 11.27%, 10.96%, 10.56% and 5.71% respectively. These value indicate that knitwear industry in flourishing day by day and putting its major role in export performance. Major type of knitted goods accounted as t-shirts, socks, and other apparel goods. For such industry which accounted important role in economy of country, needs more improvement and attention in terms of product development and also needed to be producing more fashion and design goods. Weft knitting technique is dominant in Pakistani textile industry over warp knitting technique, various small to large companies are operating in this sector. But mostly focused on export orders, very less companies are developing their own product and attracting European, American and other customers in the world. In the technique of weft knitting by using hand flatbed machine which is easy to operate and has ability to develop fabrics from 2 to 14 gauge fabrics with also many ease possibilities in product development. Various small to medium size factories of Pakistan can produce such products by consuming less cost in terms of technology investment. One of technique that can be used is tubular knit fabric on hand flatbed machine. Through developing tubular knit fabrics and by adding or stuffing digital print deigns in it can give aesthetically good product which gives cost effectiveness as well. This paper will explain various possibilities of tubular knit fabric in Design development which will be suitable for coarser to finer fabric of various end uses such as tops, lowers. Knitted jackets etc. So by producing such value added products, Pakistani Textile Industry related to knitted goods can increase its overall competitiveness in terms of design developments.

Keywords: Tubular knitting, Knitting in Pakistan, Weft knitting, Warp knitting, Pakistani industry 17

Synthesis of Silver Nanoparticles With Different Plant Extracts and Antibacterial

Property of Undergarment Fabrics

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Abstract

Pakistan recorded one of the most astounding temperatures on the planet – 53.5 °C(128.3 °F) – on 26

May 2010, the most sweltering temperature at any point recorded in Pakistan, yet in addition the most

blazing dependably estimated temperature at any point recorded on the mainland of Asia.

Three thousand seven hundred and ninety-seven skin cases were considered in Dermatology outpatient

one tertiary medical care Center, Karachi more than one year. The rate of different ailments is

contrasted and those from Bangkok, Shiraz, London, and Ibadan. Scabies, dermatitis, pyogenic and

parasite diseases were the most widely recognized issues experienced.

Skin diseases are because of an abundance of organism on the skin. Minute estimated living beings

called live regularly on everybody's skin without causing issues. On a few occasions, they become

crazy and cause infectious diseases of the skin, hair, and nails. They are particularly among youngsters

and adolescents yet can influence individuals of any age. We need an antimicrobial undergarment fabric

to solve these problems. The object of study is to develop undergarment fabric that controls skin

problems. First we synthesis of silver nanoparticles with different plant extracts, characterized the

material via the standard protocol and determine the antibacterial property of undergarment fabrics

treated with silver nanoparticles plant extracts mixture by Kirby Bauer Disk Diffusion Method. We

obtain significant activity again different skin infection causing microorganisms.

Keywords: Nano particles, Silver Nano-particles, Undergarments, Skin diseases, Dermatology.

Current Snares and Imminent Sustainability Issues for Knitted Apparels

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Abstract

Majority of Pakistan's knitwear industry is producing the articles for lower to medium price ranges. The

key reason for not hitting the higher value ceiling is shortage of skilled manpower in the field of design

and development of knitted fabrics. The existing capabilities of product developments or fabrics

produced in land are not to the level of quality that is obligatory for high-end products. This scenario is

prone to be worsened due to the new requirement emerging from consumers in respect of

environmental impact of apparel products. There is new drive in the world that fast fashion is putting

negative impact on the environmental health of the globe and excessive product are being produced

comparing to the number of consumers in the market. Environmentalist are pushing the concerns to

put-up new laws to fight these impacts. These laws will bring more stringent requirements for the

apparel production and focus will inevitably be shifted to high value-added products. This paper

encompasses a snapshot of few of the current hindering factors and forthcoming requirement, those will

impact adversely to the export of knitted product from Pakistan.

Keywords: Knitted Apparel, Pakistani industry, Knitting fashion, Value –added knitting product.

Thermal Absorptivity Model of Knitted Rib Fabric its Experimental and Theoretical Verification

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Thermal absorptivity is an indicator of warm and cool feeling of textile materials. An equation based on thermal absorptivity of polyester in solid form, porosity of a fabric, and relative contact area of human skin and fabric surface has been developed to characterize thermal absorptivity of fabric. For verification of suggested model, 15 knitted rib fabrics were produced using 100% polyester yarn and having different surface profile. ALAMBETA semiautomatic non-destructive instrument has been used for measuring the effective thermal absorptivity of knitted rib fabric. It was found, that that the suggested simple theoretical model exhibits significant agreement with the measured thermal absorptivity values of knitted rib fabric, which endorsed the approach applied. Warm-cool feeling is one of the parameters, which play a vital role in thermo-physiological comfort. It is also known as thermal absorptivity. Thermal absorptivity is measured with the help of an instrument. Thermal absorptivity has a strong correlation with fabric structure and type of fibers. Surface profile determines the contact area between human skin and fabric. Many studies have proved that contact area between fabric and human skin controls the warm-cool feeling during initial touch. Keeping its importance in view, a physical model has been developed for the prediction of thermal absorptivity of any fabric. The suggested model has been used to predict thermal absorptivity values of 15 different knitted ribs produced using 100% polyester. For development of knitted rib fabric, double-knit rib knitting machine has been used. Samples were kept under standard conditions and were tested using Alambeta. Thermal absorptivity was measured and compared with predictive values of knitted rib using models. It was observed that significant correlations exist between thermal absorptivity observed and calculated, which show that suggested models could be used for prediction of thermal absorptivity of any material having distinct surface.

Keywords: Knitted Fabric, Rib knitted structure, Thermal absorptivity model, ALAMBETA

Improvements on Handling of Water Resources in the Textile Industry and Possible

Role of Compliance for International Buyer

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The water sector in Pakistan is going to be hit hard by the climate change. Thereby the textile industry

is the largest industrial consumers of water and also polluter in Pakistan. Besides the consumption of

water, the resulting volume of wastewater and pollution loads poses a problem. High amounts of

untreated water are disposed in land and water bodies and are infiltrating the groundwater bodies. It has

a high concentration of dyes, chemicals, and textile auxiliaries. Yet the textile industry is extremely

important for the country's economy. The competitiveness of Pakistani textile products in the

international market depends on efficient production and unit cost and therefore on resource efficiency

but also on compliance. Many exporting companies therefore are eager to engage also in improving

compliance with environmental standards. And likewise, the GSP+ (Generalized Scheme of Preference)

status to Pakistan sets external conditions for improving on compliances topics.

In future suitable strategies and technical approaches for water-efficiency measures and reducing

pollution loads to river systems and channels (e.g. by combined treatment plants, minimizing input of

persistent substances, etc.) has to be elaborated for and with the textile industry. The WETI project is

working on corresponding policies and stakeholder involvement, technical trainings, dissemination of

efficiency-enhancing and pollution reducing technologies and standards and management systems in

industry.

Keywords: Water source, Compliance, Textile water treatment, Pakistani export, Pakistani textile

industry

Development of a Puncture Resistant Glove

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In this paper development of seam-less, knitted, non-coated puncture resistance liner has been

discussed. Puncture Resistant Glove Liners comes under the category of Personal Protective Equipment

(PPE) and could be used in various applications. The liner has been developed by the use of high

performance fibers having high modulus and tensile strength, in order to achieve the level 4 of Standard

EN388 2003. The motive of developed glove is to acquire protection against puncture or pointed sharp

objects having diameter of more than 1mm. Along with technical fibres, conventional fibres were also

embedded in the knitted structure to improve its comfort and flexibility. The results have demonstrated

that the developed glove liner is capable of resisting puncture force up to 150 N i.e. level 4 of standard

EN388 2003. This paper explains the details of whole development process (material selection, plying,

knitting and testing) of glove making.

Keywords: Knitting, Glove, puncture resistance, Seam less,

Spun Yarn Quality Requirements for Knitting Industry

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Abstract

Yarns are the raw material for woven and knitting industry. These all yarns may be classified in spun

yarns and filaments. Normally, there is no problem regarding the variation in the quality of filaments.

However, variation in the quality of spun yarns is a vital problem. This variation in yarns could be due

to the raw material, poor yarn formation process and negligence of workers in spinning mills. In

knitting industry, lack of knowledge regarding the quality of yarns is another issue which increases the

severity of this problem. Furthermore, there are no adequate facilities to investigate the yarn quality

standard in the knitting industry. So it is need of the day to provide awareness regarding yarn quality

and its investigation in order to reduce the rejection and improve the yield of knitting industry.

Keywords: Spun yarn, Knitting, yarn problems, quality

Removal of Acid Red from Aquous Media Using Activated Carbon from Acrylic

Waste

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Acrylic waste was converted into activated carbon by using physical activation at different

temperatures in high temperature furnace. The carbonization was performed at different carbonization

temperatures (800, 1000 and 1200 °C) with a heating rate of 300 °C. The activated carbon prepared at

1200°C with heating rate 300°C gives better results in terms of porosity and surface area and was used

for checking adsorption performance of acid red 27 by varying different parameters like stirring speed,

different concentration of dyes, adsorbent dosage and PH. The results were evaluated using non-linear

forms of Langmuir and Freundlich isotherms. The Freundlich isotherm was found to describe the

results more effectively because of non-homogenous surface of activated carbon web.

Keywords: Physical activation, Stabilization, Carbonization, Heating rate, Holding time

Investigation of Functional Properties of Different Blends of Bamboo/Acrylic Knitted Fabrics

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Abstract

Textile blends are produced to exploit the combined properties of different materials in the blends, although there are many textile apparels that give good mechanical and comfort properties. But due to increasing living standards, people are more concerned about comfort and protective fabrics. Also the product should be cost effective in order to meet the requirement of customers. In this research, two different fibers of Bamboo and Acrylic were used in blend. Three different blend ratio of Bamboo and Acrylic (70/30 %, 50/50 %, 30/70 %) were used to make ring spun yarn. Single knitted structures were produced .Aim of the present study is to reduce price and improve comfort properties of fabric. This study involves the comprehensive analysis of comfort properties of fabric like air permeability, moisture management and thermal resistance and antimicrobial properties.

Keywords: Bamboo, Knitted fabric, Acrylic, Textile blends, Antimicrobial, Moisture management, Thermal resistance.

Role, Essentials and Applied Medical Requirements of a Knitted Fabric as

Compression Garments

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Abstract

Knitted structures are a favorable choice for compression therapy due to stretch and recovery properties when compared with the woven. Main areas of compression garments are to treat varicose vein and burn wounds. When dealing with the complex nature of burn wounds; compression garments play a vital role during the rehabilitation process. Hypertrophic scar inhibition is key for successful burn management as it can improve the aesthetic issues and build confidence in burn victims. The purpose of the present talk is to provide in-depth requirements and essential considerations with practical problems and issues required to be addressed when an innovative compression garment is to be fabricated. Special consideration for burn wounds regarding anatomy and healing mechanisms is described that could prove to be a focal point for textile researchers to develop the compression garments to the critical performance and commercialization mark.

Keywords: Knitted, Compression garments, Burn wounds, Hypertrophic scar

A Mobile Based Solution for Automation of Knitting Calculations

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Abstract

One of the main manufacturing industry in Pakistan is a textile industry. In Asia, Pakistan is the 8th prime exporter of textile supplies. With the advancement of science and technology, we have to introduce new applications in textile industry. It is the need of time to connect our textile industry with modern technology. Calculations of different things on different parameters are the basic step which plays a vital role in the textile industry. Knitting is a technique with the help of which yarn is operated to create a textile or fabric for use in numerous types of garments. Knitting Calculation's or service of performing different calculations of knitting with different parameters is the topmost problem of knitters. Furthermore, the creation of textile knitted fabric demands many calculations to be performed before fabric production or during production. During production or research work they have to face different problems in calculating yarn requirements, main calculation, Fabric Parameter and many other calculations.

Our work on Knitting calculations is based on the brief formulas of knitting with different variables and constants which covers all the solutions to the problems faced by the knitters. Our work provides the complete solution of all problems of knitters related to the calculations with mobility and data storage capacity. Our android application of knitting calculations provides the flexibility to the user that they can calculate different calculations at any time anywhere, while our desktop application provides the complete automate solution of most problems of knitters.

Keywords: Mobile software, Knitting calculation, Pakistani knitting industry, Knitted fabric, android application.

Environment Friendly Reactive Dyeing of Cotton Knitted Fabric by Exhaust Dye

Bath Re-use

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Abstract

A novel approach of reuse of reactive dye residual dyebaths on modified cotton knitted fabric was

examined. Cotton was chemically modified with a novel crosslinker to make it dyeable at acidic pH

without the use of salt. Reactive dyes were saved from hydrolysis by dyeing at acidic pH on modified

cotton knitted fabric. Thus, the residual dyebath contained reactive dyes capable of reacting with the

cellulose substrate. Residual dyebaths were reconstituted to the required concentration of dyes and

utilized for dyeing of modified cotton knitted fabric. The reutilization of reactive dyes in this way is

repeated three times. Another unmodified cotton sample was dyed through conventional exhaust dyeing

procedure and its residual dyebath was also re-utilized after re-makeup to initial dye concentration. The

residual dyebath of conventional reactive dyeing was further reused after reconstitution three more

times. The depth of shade after each dyeing was evaluated with the help of UV-Vis spectrophotometer

and quality of dyeing was assessed by color fastness tests. The results revealed that reactive dyeing

with acidic pH on modified cotton can be done and its residual dyebaths can be utilized repeatedly to

get the same shade and quality of dyeing. Thus expensive dyestuffs, chemicals and water can be saved

through this approach and effluent load of reactive dyeing will also be minimized.

Keywords: Knitted fabric, Cotton, Reactive dye, Exhaust dye bath, spectrophotometer,

Development of Mannequin by Recycling Paper Technique

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Abstract

The present study pertains to the process of development of mannequin by recycling of waste

newspapers. Newspapers have one day life after the date it's discarded. With the varying lifestyles of

human, the main issue of planet earth is the minimization of natural resources as human used these

resources without thinking about future. If these resources vanished, human life cycle will not survive

on man-made capitals. Sustainable and eco-friendly design and practices are the need of time. If it is

possible to reduce extra production convince and convert people behaviour to adopt recycled products

can really help to prevent the decline of natural assets. In this study recycling of paper will be carried

out by the paper mache strip method technique using old newspapers which are ranked as lower grade

and reused to make more newsprint, tissue and other products In Paper maché several thin coatings of

paper and hardener are applied to the surface of an armature. The proper name for this technique

papier-mâché ("chewed paper") was given by French.

Keywords: Mannequin, Recycling, Waste treatment, News paper recycling, Waste material

Mannequin

Comparison of Mechanical and Comfort Properties of Dye-able Polypropylene and Cotton Blended and Conventional Polyester Cotton Blended Knitted Fabrics

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Abstract

In this work, dyeable polypropylene (DPP) fibres are used as an alternative to unsustainable polyester (PET) fibres. PET is generally used worldwide (57 %) in textiles that is increasing gradually, thus, increasing landfills. PP has proved to be more sustainable and eco-friendly than PET. So, different blends of DPP and cotton (DPPC) were prepared and compared with polyester cotton (PC) blend. 100 % DPP, DPPC (75:25), DPPC (52:48), DPPC (25:75) and PC (52:48) blends were prepared. The mechanical properties (bursting strength, bending length) and comfort properties (air permeability, moisture management properties and thermal resistance) of knitted fabrics were studied. DPPC (25:75) gives relatively lower mechanical properties than PC (52:48) however these are enough for clothing. Regarding, comfort properties, air permeability and moisture management properties are found similar to PC (52:48) knitted fabrics although DPP fibres in DPPC (25:75) were used one half of PET fibres. Similarly, DPPC (25:75) exhibits lower thermal resistance than the PC (52:48) knitted fabric, which is favourable for summer clothing. It is found that DPPC (25:75) blended knitted fabrics which are more eco-friendly and more sustainable can be used in summer clothing as a replacement to PC (52:48) knitted fabrics.

Keywords: Polypropylene, and cotton blend, Knitted fabric, Polyester cotton blend, knitted mechanical properties, knitted fabric comfort properties.

The Potential of Knitting in Polymer Matrix Composites

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Abstract

This paper highlights the potential of knitting in polymer matrix composites and investigates flexural and interlaminar shear characteristics of glass/carbon hybrid composites made of unidirectional warp knit preforms. Non-crimp unidirectional intralayer hybrid preforms used in this research have been manufactured using warp knitting technique on tricot machine (tows were bound together at an angle of ±60° using hot melt yarn of linear density 52.5 tex and an areal density of 7.2 g/m² as knitting yarn). Investigation primarily focused on the influence of hybrid ratio, laminate geometry, and degree of dispersion on flexural and interlaminar shear characteristics. Damage mechanism has been explained and SEM observations were carried out for morphology analysis. Hybridization resulted in some interesting consequences. Optimum stiffness and toughness were achieved when the proportion of carbon fiber and glass fiber were substantial, respectively. The brittle and catastrophic failure of plain carbon composite has been avoided through intra-tow hybridization with highest dispersion. Therefore, it is proposed to selectively incorporate the glass and carbon fibers through intra-layer hybridization technique. It is also proposed to mix the fibers as intimately as possible. Vacuum assisted resin infusion process is also recommended to attain high quality of impregnation.

Keywords: warp knitting, hybridization, hybrid ratio, dispersion, vacuum assisted resin infusion, scanning electron microscopy.

Energy Absorption of Auxetic Warp-knitted Spacer Fabrics Under Quasi-static

Tension

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Abstract

In order to discover the affecting relationships between auxetic property and energy absorption of

warp-knitted spacer fabrics under uniaxial tension, warp tensile as well as weft tensile is exerted

respectively to fabrics with four different knitting structures reconstructed from rotating hexagonal

models, and stress-strain curves are obtained and processed so as to evaluate their auxetic properties

and energy absorption. Results show that energy absorption of fabrics is determined by both structural

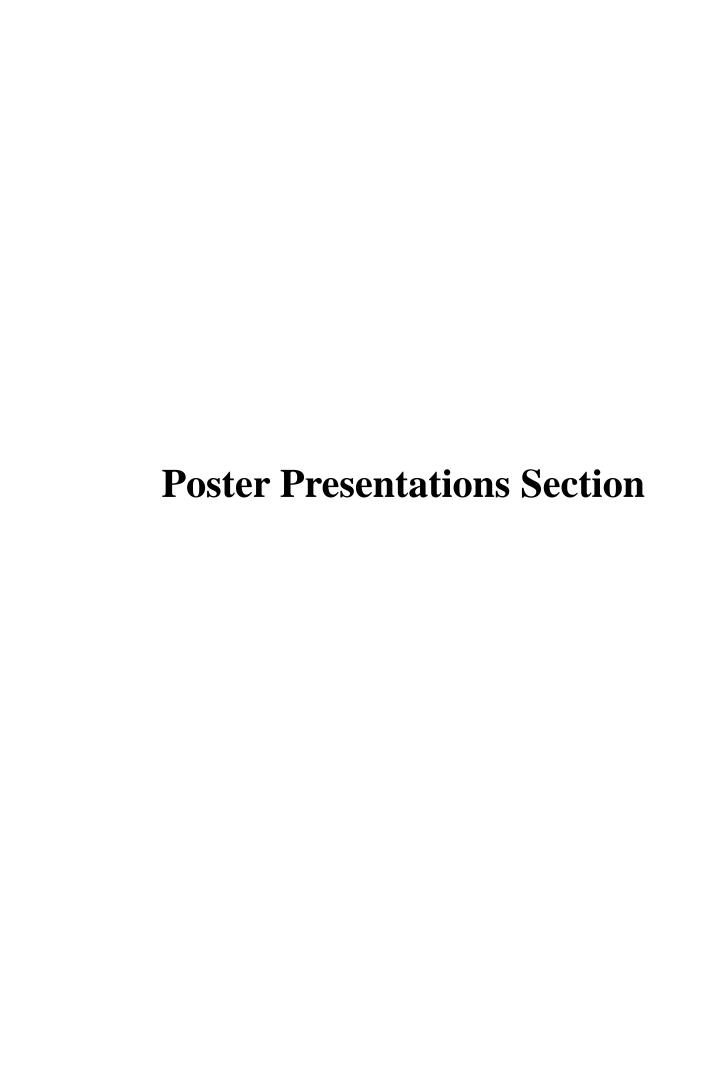
deformation capacity and yarn loading capacity in which the latter plays a dominant part while the

former has little influence. The effects of auxetic properties on energy absorption are included in the

structural deformation capacity. Higher energy absorption comes with better auxetic performance under

uniaxial tension with the same yarn loading capacity.

Keywords: Auxetic, warp-knitted spacer fabric, energy absorption, tensile property



Investigation of Performance Properties of Basalt Knitted Fabric

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Abstract

The present research is related to investigation of mechanical and functional properties of

unconventional knitted structures. The aim of this study is to analyze the properties of unconventional

knitted fabric for using them in technical applications i.e. protective applications. The structures

selected for investigation were single jersey and 1x1 rib. The mechanical properties like shear and

bursting strength were studied. All the functional properties like thermal properties of the fabrics i.e.

resistance & conductivity were studied vis-a-vis physiological behavior, electrical and acoustic

properties were also studied. On the basis of the results, the influence of the fabric structure on various

property parameters were analyzed. The results indicate that effect of fiber and knitted fabric structure

on mechanical and functional properties are significant. It can be concluded that rib fabrics have overall

better properties as compared to single jersey knitted fabrics.

Keywords: Knitted fabric, Basalt, Shear strength, Thermal conductivity, Functional Properties

Study the Pilling in Spun Polyester Sock

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Abstract

Pilling is an unwanted effect on fabric surface caused by the protruding fibers of the yarn from which fabric is formed. Due to the fiber migration from the inside the varn toward the surface of yarn and twisted together to form small bowls named as pill. Fabric pilling is affected by many interacting factors. Normally spun polyester has more tendency to formulate pills on the surface than cotton and other low strength fibers. Due to high strength the wear off strong polyester anchor fiber does not occur which cause to appear pills on the surface of the fabric. Influence of yarn count, twist, fabric construction, machine and post treatment have already been addressed by many other researchers. This study focuses on effect of fiber deniers on pilling in sock. Three different fiber deniers 0.8, 1.2 and 1.4 and two types of yarns, single and plied yarn are used. All the fiber denier used of 38mm length and TM of 3.8. It is found that best result is given by the microfibers having fiber denier 0.8. It is due to low strength of microfibers. Low strength of microfibers causes to wear off the anchor fibers easily. Hence the pills wear off easily and don't accumulated on the surface. This trend is found reversing when yarns having fiber denier above one is considered. This behavior is apparently found because in high fiber denier yarns less number of fibers are available which result less protruding. Overall trend obtained suggest that there is a remarkable influence of fiber denier which effects pilling. Fiber denier value can be mannered to minimize pilling in knit fabrics.

Keywords: Pilling, fiber migration, microfibers, wear off

Effect of Hydrophilic and Hydrophobic Alternate Yarns on the Moisture

Management Properties of Knitted Fabric

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Abstract

The purpose of this research is to produce a plain 1x1 jersey knitted sports fabric with one hydrophilic yarn and one hydrophobic yarn in the alternate positions in order to give better moisture transfer and hence better moisture management properties. Six different types of polyester were taken as hydrophobic yarns as spun polyester, macro filament polyester, microfilament polyester, channeled

polyester, and cationic polyester along with one 100% cotton treated yarn with water repellent finish.

All these hydrophobic yarns were knitted in combination with 100% comb cotton. It was observed that

addition of hydrophobic component strongly improved the moisture management properties of resulting

fabrics and these fabrics could be used for summer wear and sportswear as well.

Keywords: Plain jersey, Hydrophobic, Hydrophilic, Cotton, yarn, Moisture management

Preparation of Cotton/Acrylic/Thermolite Tri-blend Yarn for Thermal Comfort of

Knitted Fabrics

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Abstract

Comfort has a diversity of meanings as it relates to the wearer. Comfort is the tangible feelings that

consequence from the fabrics in contact with the skin. The purpose of this study was to produce a tri-

blend yarn of cotton, acrylic, and Thermolite (C/A/Th) for thermal comfort of knitted fabric for winter

wear. Tensile and tear strength, air-permeability, moisture management and thermal resistivity

characteristics were investigated by using standard testing methods. It is proven that the fibers

percentage in the blend ratio of yarn is a primary factor. Overall C/A/Th 50/10/40 showed best tensile

and tear strength as well as air permeability, moisture management, and thermal resistivity. By

increasing the ratio of Thermolite, the tenacity is increased which shows that the Thermolite being a

polyester based fiber has a good strength. The characterization of knitted fabric revealed that the fabrics

made from 50/50 C/Th showed highest tensile strength both in the wales and coarse direction while

C/A showed lowest tensile strength in wales and course direction. Similarly, highest tear strength was

also experienced by the fabric sample made of 50/50 C/Th. On the other hand, lowest tear strength was

observed in C/A 50/50 blend. Moreover, the air-permeability values were highest for 50/50 C/Th while

lowest for C/A/Th of 50/30/20 fabric. In case of moisture management, the highest MMT value was

obtained for 50/50 C/Th while lowest for C/A/Th of 50/20/30 blend. Thermal resistivity was observed

highest for C/Th 50/50 while lowest for C/A of 50/50 blend. These knitted fabrics could be used for

comfortable winter wear.

Keywords: Knitted, Yarn, Thermal, Thermolite, Acrylic, Cotton,

Development and Characterization of Water Wicking Behavior of Hosiery Yarns and Knitted Fabrics

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Abstract

The aim of this research work was to develop and investigate the water wicking performance of some hosiery yarn and knitted fabrics on the basis of fiber types and yarn structure. Three types of fibers named, cotton, Coolmax and Tencel were selected for this purpose and three kinds of Ne 10s hosiery yarns were produced using conventional ring spinning techniques, Siro spinning technique and plying and twisting spinning techniques. A 100% cotton ring spun yarn was produced as a reference sample. While the other two types of yarns were specialized tri-blended yarns composed of 40% cotton, 40% Coolmax and 10% Tencel fiber. The specialized yarns were produced on Siro spinning and plying and twisting spinning techniques. The wicking properties of specialized yarns were evaluated on the basis of yarn structure and fibers selection in a hybrid yarn in comparison to the pure cotton spun yarn. The height of water column raised in the yarn was noted against the interval of time. In tri-bled Siro yarn, the maximum height of 42mm was achieved in the first 60 seconds. In case of tri-blend plied yarn of similar count, the maximum height of 32 mm was achieved in first 60 seconds. However for pure cotton spun yarn, no quick water wicking was observed in the initial interval of 60 seconds. Then three kind of single jersey knitted fabric were produced from these yarns and wicking behavior was observed from each sample of knitted fabric. Tri-blend Siro yarn based knitted fabric shows highest wicking rate compared to ply yarn based knitted fabrics. The wicking behavior of pure cotton yarn based knitted fabric samples was extremely low. The findings of the research are quite a significant showing that a novel combination of specialized fiber and yarn structure can help to produce textile based structure with fast wicking behavior. Such a fast wicking behavior can be used to develop some innovative products like moisture wicking and quick drying fabrics, active moisture wicking pants, moisturewicking active tops, capillary actions mats and many others.

Keywords: Knitted, Single jersey, Wicking, SIRO yarn, Tencel, Coolmax

Role of ICT to Improve the Quality and Production of Knitted Fabrics

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Abstract

Knitted fabric gained popularity over the woven fabric due to its unique characteristics like elasticity,

fabric density, thickness, Production cost and feel (Comfort). These fabrics are widely used in

sportswear, hosiery, and high fashion industry that demands its more production and better quality.

Information and communication technology (ICT) is now playing an important role in revolutionizing

the industry by integrating the concept of telecommunication and computing like storage, enterprise

software, monitoring and detection systems to store, retrieve, manipulate and access the useful

information effectively that eventually move the industry to better control over their production as well

as on quality of their products. ICT in knitting process is an evolving area during the recent years that

incorporates the automation in knitting process to increase its production rate. Further, it also helps in

improving the quality of knitted fabric through effective monitoring of fabric with the help of sensors.

This paper mainly discusses the role of ICT in improving the quality of the knitted fabric by describing

the importance of digital image processing and artificial neural network in detecting knitted fabric

faults. Further, this paper will also describe the automation in the production of knitted fabrics.

Keywords: Knitted fabric, Quality control, ICT, digital image processing, Automation in knitting.

Effect of Elastance and Cotton Percentage on Dimensional Stability of Socks

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Abstract

One of the most important problems in socks manufacturing industry is change in size that affects the

dimensions of final product. Different factor affects the dimensional stability of sock, but most

contributing factors are elastane percentage, main yarn material, and process type. Therefore, it is opted

to study the effect of elastane percentage in plating yarn, cotton percentage in main yarn materials,

wash and bleach on dimensional stability of socks. Mostly bleaching and washing of socks is done on

commercial level, therefore bleach and wash was selected for this study.

In this research, different materials and different process are applied on plain plating knitted socks on a

same resource group and there dimensions stability was studied. Four different percentages of elastane

in plating, two main yarns materials, and two process types were taken as level of input variables to

study the effect on dimensional stability. Effect of elastane percentage, main yarn material type and

process type on physical properties of knitted fabric was also studied in this research. Dimensional

stability test was performed on socks. After testing, Minitab software was used for analysis of variance

of obtained results using full factorial design. Significance of all factors and levels were analyzed.

Keywords: Socks, Elastane yarn, Stability of socks, Minitab-software, Dimensional stable socks.

Impact of Elastane Percentage on Stretch and Recovery of Socks

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Abstract

Optimum stretch is basic requirement in sock to support blood flow in foot and ankle. This stretch is

achieved with fabric structure type and material used in it. In fabric structure, mostly loop geometry

creates optimum stretch. Elastane in material either covered or twisted is used to support stretch and

recovery in socks. As per our knowledge, stretch and recovery behavior of different knitted fabrics i.e.

single jersey, rib, interlock, fleece had been studied earlier but no significant research has been carried

out on socks to sort out the problem of uneven stretch and recovery keeping in view the elastane

percentage and process applications. In this research, different percentages of elastane and different

process are applied on plain plating knitted socks on a same resource group and there stretch and

recovery was studied.

Different factor affects the stretch and recovery of sock, but most contributing factors are elastane

percentage, main yarn material, and process type. Therefore, it is opted to study the effect of elastane

percentage in plating yarn, cotton percentage in main yarn materials, wash and bleach on stretch and

recovery of socks. Mostly bleaching and washing of socks is done on commercial level, therefore

bleach and wash was selected for this study.

Four different percentages of elastane in plating, two main yarns materials, and two process types were

taken as level of input variables to study the effect on stretch and recovery. Level and factor

combination was sixteen. Effect of elastane percentage, main yarn material type and process type on

physical properties of knitted fabric was also studied in this research. Stretch and recovery test was

performed on knitted fabric. After testing, Minitab software was used for analysis of variance of

obtained results using full factorial design. Significance of all factors and levels were analyzed.

Keywords: Socks, knitted fabric, Elastane, Plated knitted socks, Mintab, elasticity of knitted

Study of Shrinkage Behavior of Sandwich Half Terry Socks

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Abstract

Socks are commonly used in clothing worn to absorb sweat and evaporate the perspiration while

providing warm feeling as well as decreasing the risk of frostbite in cold climate surroundings. One of

the most important problem in the socks manufacturing industry is the shrinkage that affects the

dimensions of the final product. Shrinkage arises mainly due to the residual strains in the fabric

relaxing during any wet treatment. In this research, three different materials; Cotton 100 %, PC 52:48

and Cool-max Cotton 50:50; with two different yarn counts of 16/1 and 20/1 for each type of materials

were used as the main varn in the sandwich half terry socks and their shrinkage behavior were studied.

The shrinkage in the socks by Cotton 100 % with 20/1 yarn count was found higher as compared to

other socks with PC 52: 48 and Cool-max Cotton 50:50.

Keywords: Sock, Shrinkage, Perspiration, Dimensions, Yarn Count

Thermo-physiological Comfort Analysis of Polyester Cotton Blended Interlock

Knitted Fabrics

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The aim of this study is to investigate the effect of different parameters on air permeability and thermal

comfort properties of interlock knitted fabrics. The parameters considered for this study includes blend

ratio, yarn linear density, specific heat of yarn, fabric thickness, fabric areal density and stitch length in

range of P/C 65/35-40/60, 24.6-36.9 Tex, 2.506-3.038 J/g/K, 1.05-1.34 mm, 239-484 g/m2 and 3.1-4.2

mm respectively. The fabrics were developed at 18 gauge Jacquard circular interlock knitting machine

with positive yarn feeding system. The results showed that stitch length is directly proportional to air

permeability and thermal resistance of interlock knitted fabric. It was found that blend ratio did not

significantly affected the air permeability whereas, blend ratio influence the specific heat of yarn which

is directly proportional to thermal resistance of knitted fabric. The results showed that yarn linear

density is reversely proportional to air permeability while directly proportional to fabric thermal

resistance. The influence of fabric thickness was found less significant for thermal resistance of

interlock knitted fabrics. The fabric areal density was found reversely proportional to air permeability

as well fabric thermal resistance. The study will help to design fabric parameters as per thermos-

physiological requirement of the interlock knitted fabrics.

Keywords: Thermo-physiological, comfort, interlock, cotton, polyester

Comparison of Dimensional Behavior of Fully Fashion Flat Knitting Panels Prepared from Wool and Acrylic Yarn

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Abstract

The purpose of this research was to study the dimensional behavior of fully fashion flat knitting machine panels prepared on different knitting parameters. V-bed knitting machine fabric formation procedure is more advanced, and has different needle selection capability as compared to circular knitting machine. Using computerized flatbed knitting machines, various knitting patterns and structures can be created. 32/2 Ne Wool and acrylic yarns were used for sample formation. From the results it has been concluded that pre-knitting tension on yarn effects the dimensions of knitted panels after relaxing, washing and steaming. Medium (four-point) pre knitting tension on yarn with tight stitch length produced more dimensional stable structure than looser or medium stitch length. The structure with tight stitch length and medium pre-knitting tension resisted the shrinkage more after relaxing, washing and steaming process. Tensile results of acrylic yarn showed more strength than wool yarn and also having more percentage of elongation than wool. By comparison it is concluded that wool flat knitting panels showed more resistance towards shrinkage than acrylic panels prepared on same knitting parameters.

Keywords: Dimensional behavior, V-bed flat knitting machine, 3D shape knitted panels, Single jersey.

Study the Effect of Inlay Yarn on Mechanical Properties and Stability of Weft

Knitted Structures

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Abstract

The aim of this study is to investigate the mechanical behavior of weft knitted inlay structures.

Conventionally knitted structures are famous for their flexible, elastic, low strength and comfort

behavior. Different high performance (Kevlar), natural (Flax and jute) and synthetic fibers (Nylon and

Polyester) are used in different combination of inlay and knit yarns. Sample were knitted on a double

bed hand flat knitting machine with 7 gauge. All samples were knitted using plain rib 1 * 1 structure in

which an inlay yarn is passed in course direction after every single coarse. Depending upon type and

count of inlay varn used the mechanical performance and structure stability increased significantly in

inlaid structures. It was found that strength of inlay structure is increased significantly and its extension

and growth is reduced up to 1% in direction of inlay i.e. weft direction.

Keywords: Knitted fabric, inlay yarn, Keylar, Flax, jute, Nylon, Polyester, Rib knitted

To Study the Influence of Structure and Yarn on Mechanical Properties of Plain Single Jersey Structure

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Abstract

In this paper influence of structure and yarn properties on mechanical behavior of weft knitted fabrics is studied. The plain single jersey fabric was knitted using different yarns i.e. natural (Cotton), synthetic (Polyester filament, polyester spun and Nylon), mineral (Glass), high performance (recycled spun Kevlar) and their blend (PC 52:48). Mechanical behavior of all Sample was evaluated on Zwick/Roell Z100 and results shows that on application of force, at 1st stage all samples shows same behavior. The initial young's modulus of all samples is same, which shows that all sample have same structure behavior. When value of force is increased in 2nd stage all samples shows different behavior and their Young's modulus was different depending upon type of material. It is concluded from results that initial behavior is independent of material used and for better mechanical performance of knitted fabrics one need to select suitable structure while selecting the material.

Keywords: Knitted fabric, Single jersey, Knitted mechanical behavior, Polyester, Nylon, Glass, Kevlar

Microencapsulated Phase Change Materials to Develop Thermoregulating Smart Textiles

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Abstract

Phase change materials are those materials which can store energy upon heating and release the same amount of energy upon cooling. Hence when the temperature of surroundings or body increases, the phase change materials melt and absorb that energy in the form of latent heat and when the temperature of body or surroundings lowers, the materials release that absorbed heat keeping the body in comfort zone. Owing to the phase changing nature of these materials, they need to keep in protective shell called micro or nanocapsules using different encapsulation techniques. Later on these capsules containing PCM can be inserted into man made or synthetic filaments during melt or dry extrusion process. They can also be applied on knitted and woven textiles to develop thermoregulating textiles. This research will provide the understanding of use of phase change materials to develop thermoregulating textiles as well as a comparison between capsules treated and untreated fabric.

Keywords: Phase change material, Smart textile, Microencapsulated, Nano capsule, Thermoregulating

Rheological Investigation of the Polyvinyl Alcohol Solutions as Resin for Knitted

Structure Based Composites

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Abstract

The physical properties of polymer solutions have an enormous impact on polymeric materials. The

polar interactions between polymer and solvent molecules play an important role in the dispersion of

polymer chains in a polymer solution. However, the limited polymer and solvent interaction may lead

to poor physical properties of the solution and ultimately the polymeric material. This is because of the

stronger polymer to polymer interactions. This interaction can be reduced with the application of a

cross-linking agent. In addition, physical parameter like temperature, the molecular weight of polymer

and concentration play an important role in defining the final physical properties of polymer solutions.

In this study, the physical properties of polyvinyl alcohol solutions in dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO) in

association with a cross-linking agent, boric acid, were rheologically investigated regarding shear rate,

temperature and molecular weight of the polymer. The impact of the crosslinker and physical

parameters on the physical properties of polyvinyl alcohol solutions was elaborated. This solution will

be of high importance as a resin for the knitted structure based composites. The penetration of the

solution inside the knitted structure will enhance the properties of the matrix and consequently

composite will have better performance.

Keywords: Polyvinyl alcohol, Resin, Knitted matrix, Composite, Temperature

Role of Phase Change Materials to Reduce Heat Stress of Fire Fighter Turnout

Gears

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Abstract

Phase change materials (PCMs) are the materials which have high heat of fusion and change their shape

from solid to liquid and back from liquid to solid on absorption and release of heat. Heat of fusion

enables PCMs to store and release large amount of energy during phase transformation. Due this

excellent property of PCM's they may be used in large number of applications. PCM's provide

protection from extreme weather conditions.

Phase change materials (PCMs) are used in internal thermal lining of fire fighter clothes to reduce the

heat stress. The reduction of heat stress depends upon the type of material and position with respect to

human body. In this study different types of PCM's, effect of their position in fire fighter protective

cloths and synergistic effect with other materials such as aerogel and cooling materials is reviewed.

Keywords: Phase change material, Fire fighter cloths, Human body protection

Study the Abrasion Effect on Polyester Yarn Due to Elevated Temperature During Knitting

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Abstract

Polyester is widely used in fabrication process and its demand and consumption increasing day by day. Polyester filaments are used widely in knitted fabrics relative to its product end uses. Polyester has low Tg and increase in heat can change its properties widely leading to many problems. In knitting machine due to mechanical contact of machine parts heat is produced in machine parts like needles that are in contact with yarn. The polyester has harsh feel and it imparts great stresses on needle and due to friction heat is produced in needles. This needle heat is a very near to polyester Tg. So there is a danger of abrasion effect on polyester filaments. This research paper deals with the investigation of heat production in knitting machine while using polyester filaments.

Keywords: Polyester yarn, Knitted fabric, Knitting Needles

A Review of Materials Used for Antistatic Property in Textile Fabrics

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Abstract

Due to the extensive use of electronics in this modern age and their sensitivity along with personal

protection of the user is a big question mark now a days. This situation compel us to take such

preventive measures which can help us to reduce such risks for the user and electronic devices too.

Electronic devices are inclined to errors whenever they are affected by the static charges and

electromagnetic fields. Static electricity is also problematic whenever it produces in flammable

environment (areas of handling gases and chemicals). Because fire accident occurs when sparks from

static charges catches flammable volatiles. Therefore, in such environments protection is very

necessary. Researchers has investigated for such materials which can mitigate this problem. This study

is done to review the all investigated materials for getting anti-static property in textile fabrics. Basics

property of all materials used for this purpose was conduction. Because static charges are basically

gathering of positive or negative charges on the surface of textile which occur due to rubbing of

different materials. When they find some conductive medium, these charges flow through it and

neutralizes the surface. Metals, conductive coating, high performance fibers, carbon coatings etc. were

used for this purpose.

Keywords: Antistatic, Textile fabrics, Static electricity

Different Techniques Used to Enhance Thermo Physiological Comfort and Working

Efficiency of Fire-fighters (A Review)

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Abstract

Fire-fighters must face the problems of high heat stress due their high physical activities and interface

with direct flash flame. Due to high physical activities, fighter's body also generate heat. Ultimately

high heat stress is generated between fire fighter's body and turn out gears. This heat stress is the major

cause of death.

Different active and passive methods are used to dissipate heat energy. Working efficiency and thermo

physiological comfort is dependent upon the ease and speed of heat dissipation. Different techniques

used for heat dissipation include the use of phase change materials, aerogel, super absorbents, ice vest,

extractor fans, misting fans, hand and forearms immersion in water, cold air and changing the design of

clothes.

Keywords: Thermo physiological comfort, fire fighter, heat stress

Development of Special Knitted Fabric Through Modification of Hand Flat

Knitting Moshine

Knitting Machine

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Abstract

Knitting is the second frequently used method that for fabrication. Certain techniques are possible during the knitting action that can radically change the physical appearance and properties of a knitted construction without seriously affecting the cohesive nature of the loop structure. Co Weave knit fabric mean a knitted fabric having both weft and warp insertion on hand flat knitting machine. Previously there is not much work on this concept. The yarns introduce in the rib structure of fabric as a warp yarn through machine modification. These inlay yarn increased the GSM of the fabric. Through tensile test it is concluded that the inlay straight yarn provides the maximum strength to the structure. These inlay straight yarn provides the minimum percentage elongation to the structure. This is because of the different of yarn density of the fabric. These straight yarns also provide the minimum extension at maximum load to the structure. And it provides the minimum fabric growth % to the structure. The tensile strength is directly proportional to the density of inlay yarn.

Keywords: Co-weave knit, Special knitted fabric, Hand flat knitting machine.