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The materials used in this study were four commercial varieties of Egyptian cotton; two (Giza 86 and Giza 90) belonging to the long staple class and the others (Giza 88 and Giza 92) belonging to the extra-long staple category. Within each variety, nine lint cotton grades namely: Fully Good (FG), Good/Fully Good (G/FG), Good (G), Fully Good Fair/Good (FGF/G), Fully Good Fair (FGF), Good Fair/ Fully Good Fair (GF/FGF), Good Fair (GF), Fully Fair/Good Fair (FF/GF) and Fully Fair (FF) were used to study the relationship of descriptive grades with actual staple and cotton yarn attributes estimated by devices and to estimate the extent to which each of the technological characteristics contributes to the quantitative estimation of grade in the Egyptian cotton.

Fiber properties were measured by using the Cotton Classifying System Version-5 instrument (CCS-V5). Results were collected for the following characteristics: reflectance degree (Rd%), yellowness degree (+b), trash%, dust%, fiber fragments%, total trash%, No. of neps, Micronaire value, fiber maturity ratio%, linear density, upper half mean length (mm), short fiber index%, mean fiber length (mm), fiber uniformity index%, fiber strength (g/tex) and fiber elongation%.

Mean squares due to all nine grades of long and extra-long staple cotton varieties in combined analysis over two seasons were highly significant for all studied characters with some exceptions, revealing the presence of sufficient genetic variability in the studied grades.

Highly significant mean performance values of the four cotton varieties and the nine lint grades for each variety for all studied

characters, indicating clear significant genetic differences between studied varieties and fiber cotton lint grades within each variety.

Gradual increase for yellowness degree, trash%, dust%, fiber fragments%, total trash% (trash, dust, fiber fragments), number of neps and short fiber index%, while gradual decrease for reflectance degree (Rd%), micronaire value, fiber maturity ratio%, linear density, upper half mean length, mean fiber length, fiber uniformity index%, fiber strength and fiber elongation% with significant level as transfer for all tested varieties from (FG) grade down to the (FF) grade.

All studied varieties showed highly significant negative correlation values between fiber cotton grade and each of yellowness (+b), trash%, dust%, fiber fragments%, total trash%, No. of neps and short fiber index. Highly significant positive correlation was found between cotton grade with reflectance degree%, micronaire value, maturity value%, fiber density, upper half mean length, mean fiber length, fiber uniformity index, fiber strength and fiber elongation%. Total trash% followed by micronaire value as well as fiber maturity ratio% and their interactions were the most contributing and influencing traits in fiber cotton grade. Also, these properties and their joint effects are prevailing factors which affect the personal judgment of the grader at evaluating the cotton grade.

The results also showed that there is a great coincidence between descriptive evaluation of sorting in some traits such as different impurities and yellowness degree with quantitative evaluation by devices, which gives the opportunity to cotton spinners to choose the method from which they obtain accurate results and are commensurate with the conditions of the spinning process.

**Key words:** Cotton grade, Long staple, Extra-long staple, Performance, Correlation and path coefficient analysis.

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## INTRODUCTION

Cotton crop is the first important fiber crop worldwide because it provides the raw material to the entire textile industry (**Abdel-Mohsen and Amein 2016**). The Egyptian cotton "*Gossypium barbadense* L." is a peculiar type of cotton that is characterized by softness, strength, superior characteristics, high quality, and gained a worldwide reputation for more than a century and half as being of the highest lint quality among world cottons (**Abdel-Salam *et al.* 2009**).

From many years, merchants, classers and spinners, in different countries, have made their selections on the basis of the official cotton standers for staple length and grade supplemented by characters, but in U.S.A., staple length is not considered in the system of classification, since it is determined primarily by the variety. All Egyptian cottons are bought first according to variety and then according to the classified grade. Grade is a composite rating determined by color, the amount of foreign matter and micronaire in the sample and ginning preparation. "Preparation" refers to whether fiber is damaged or tangled in the processes of ginning and "Character" is a complex attribute which is composed of these elements not included in grade, such as fiber fineness, maturity, strength, uniformity, etc. However, in cotton classing, the determination of characters, as well as grade is entirely a personal judgment.

Grading of cotton is a very intricate and complex subject, as it depends upon human perceptions of sight and touch and requires a high degree of precision and power of critical judgment on the part of the grades of a set of samples belonging to a variety. Since personal judgment plays a large part in assigning the value of cottons characteristics under this conventional system of classification, the same "subjective method" is given to it in contrast with the "objective method" by which the value