

PECTIN OPTIMIZATION EXTRACTION FROM WATERMELLON WASTE

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WHERE WE ARE?



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POPULATION: 229,651

**GDP = US\$ 2 BILLIONS (112° -
0,13%)**

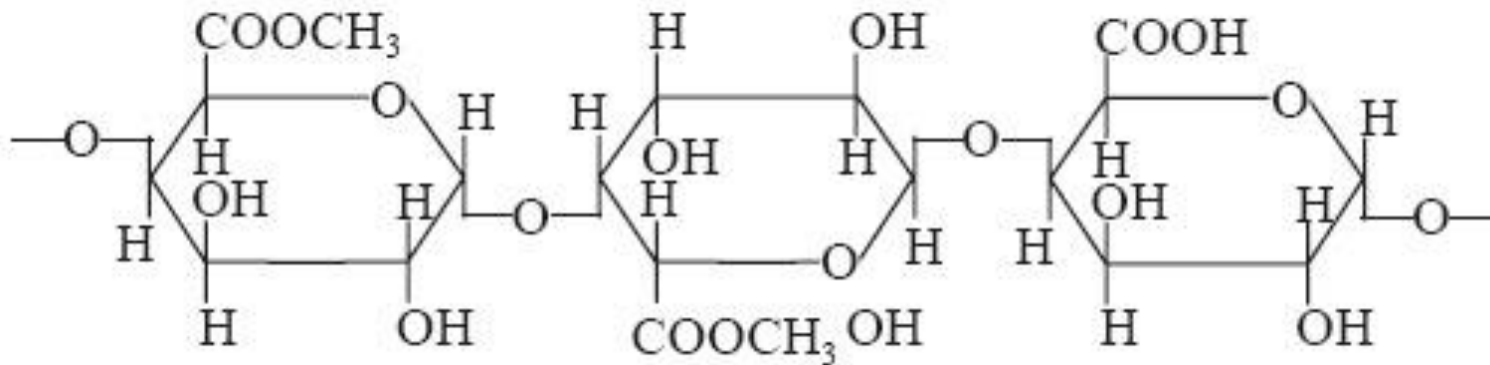
AGROBUSINESS:

**SOY, CORN, RICE, COTTON,
BEANS, SUNFLOWER, SWINES,
POULTRY, CATTLE.**

WATERMELON WASTE 2 MILLION TONS PER YEAR



PECTIN



Pectin Galacturonan

- Complex polysaccharide
- Mostly: Homogalacturonan
- Occurrence in plant cell walls
- Application in Food Industry
- Market Price: US\$ 12-16/ton

GOAL

EXPLORE WATERMELLON WASTE AS SOURCE OF PECTIN

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MATERIAL AND METHODS

Waste collection

Sanitization

Drying

Milled

Sieved

Obtained Watermelon Flour

used for pectin extracion: Box-Behnken

Physico-chemical Analysis

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Table 1. Mean values for Moisture content (Tu), ash content (Tcz), ethereal extract (Tee), Total Protein content (Tpb), and total soluble solids (TSS) .
Values are means \pm SD.

Sample	Tu (%)	Tcz (%)	Tee (%)	Tpb (%)	TSS (%)
WF	6,70 \pm 0,03	8,87 \pm 0,08	0,67 \pm 0,10	4,49 \pm 0,18	1,8 \pm 0,00


RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Table 2. Mean values of β -carotene, lycopene, chlorophyll a and b analysis for flour samples (mg 100 mg⁻¹ DM).

Values are means \pm SD.

Sample	b-carotene	Licopene	Chlorophyll a	Chlorophyll b
WF	62 \pm 0	96 \pm 0	284 \pm 0	44 \pm 0

Table 3. Colorimetry (L^* , a^* , b^*) of FW sample by CIELab system.

Sample	Color			Picture
	L^*	a^*	b^*	
WF	79.06 ± 0.00	3.50 ± 0.00	18.00 ± 0.01	

Where L^* stands for lightness, a^* green-red and b^* blue-yellow components.

Values are means \pm SD for five different measures.

Table 4. pH and HCV for WF sample.

Values are means \pm SD.

Sample	pH	HCV (KJ Kg ⁻¹)
WF	4.40 \pm 0.00	14,987 \pm 0

Table 5. Flour gel formation for WF samples.
 Signs indicate (-) No gel formation,
 (\pm) Weak gel formation and
 (+) Resistant Gel Formation.

Sample	Flour Gel Formation (% m/v)						
	2%	6%	10%	14%	18%	22%	26%
WF	\pm	\pm	+	+	+	+	+

PECTIN EXTRACTION OPTIMIZATION

Box-Behnken Design

Variables:

Citric Acid Concentration: 0.5 – 1.0 M

Time: 10 – 90 min

Temperature: 15 – 45 °C

12 Experimental conditions + Central Point

ANOVA

Model

Linear– Citric Acid Concentration and Temperature were significant (p value $< 0,05$)

Quadratic - Linear– Citric Acid Concentration and Temperature were significant (p value $< 0,05$)

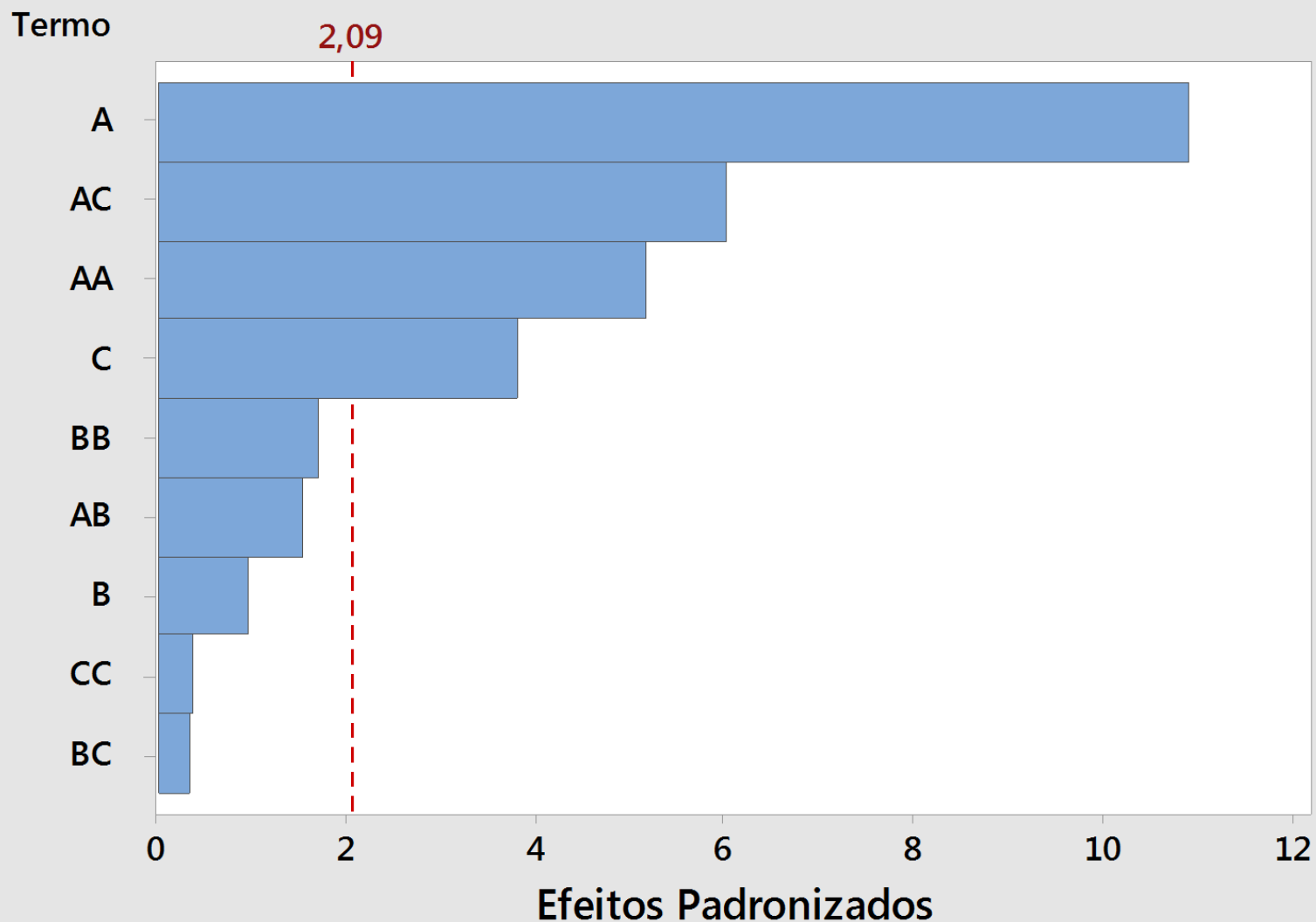
2-way Interactions:

Only Acid*Temperature was significant

MODEL SUMMARY

S	R2	R2(aj)	R2(pred)
3,29	91,08%	87,06%	78,42%

Gráfico de Pareto dos Efeitos Padronizados (a resposta é Rendimento; $\alpha = 0,05$)



Fator	Nome
A	Acido
B	Tempo
C	Temperatura

Gráfico de probabilidade normal (resposta é Rendimento)

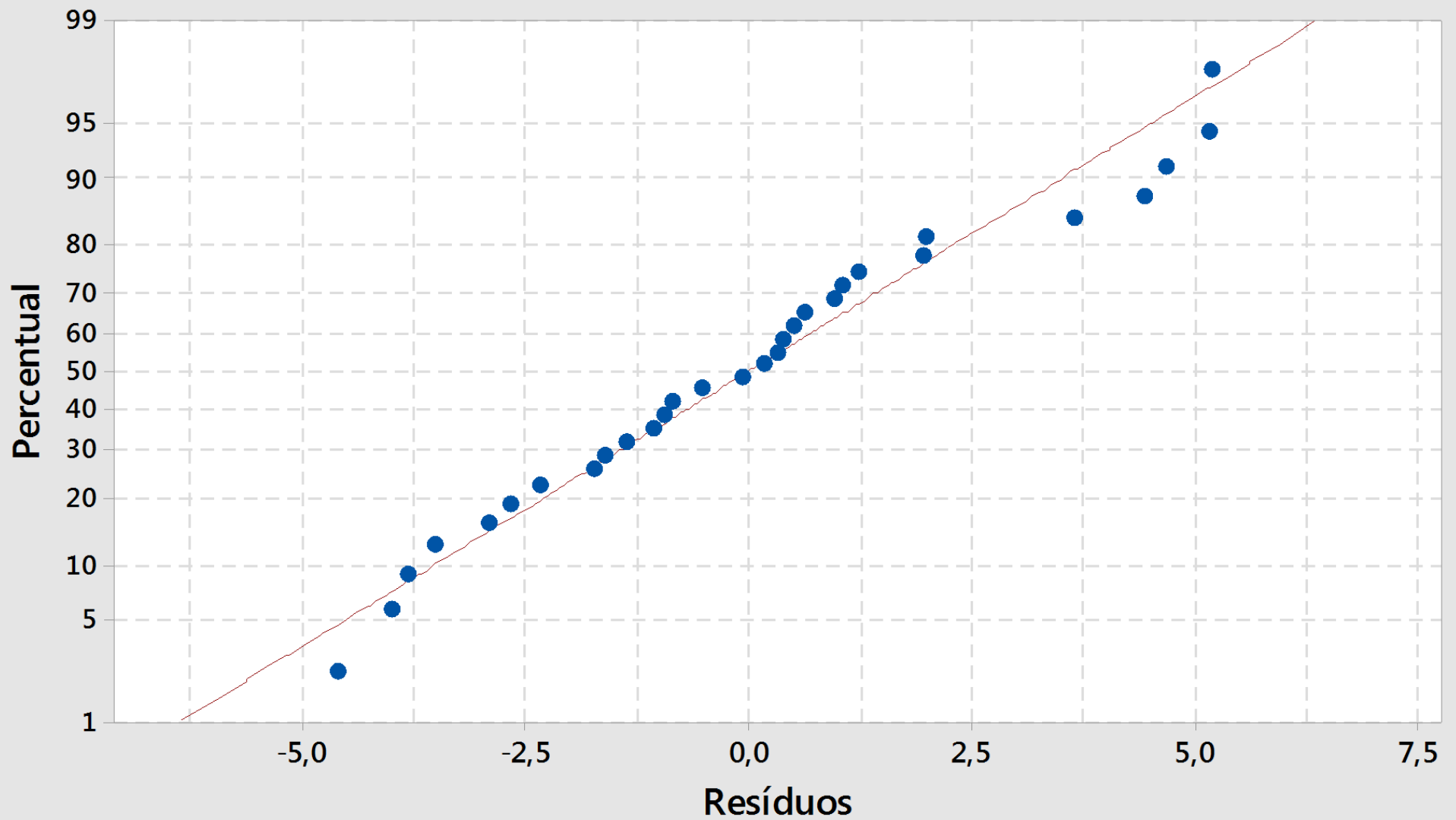


Gráfico de Contorno de Rendimento versus Tempo; Acido

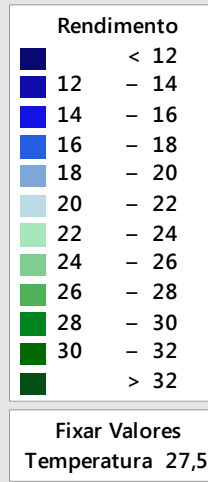
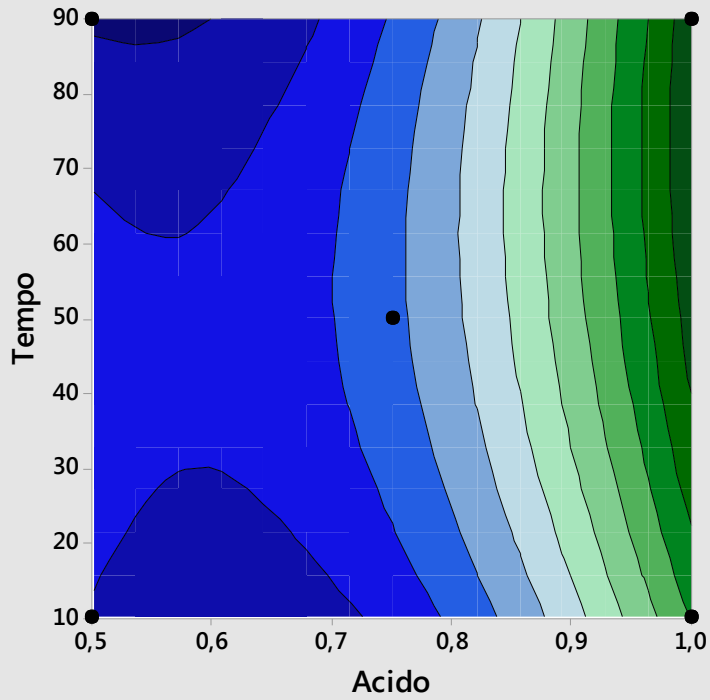


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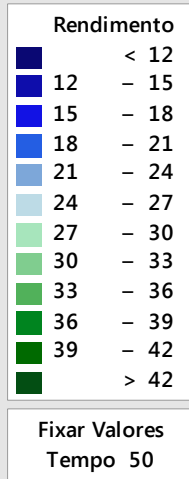
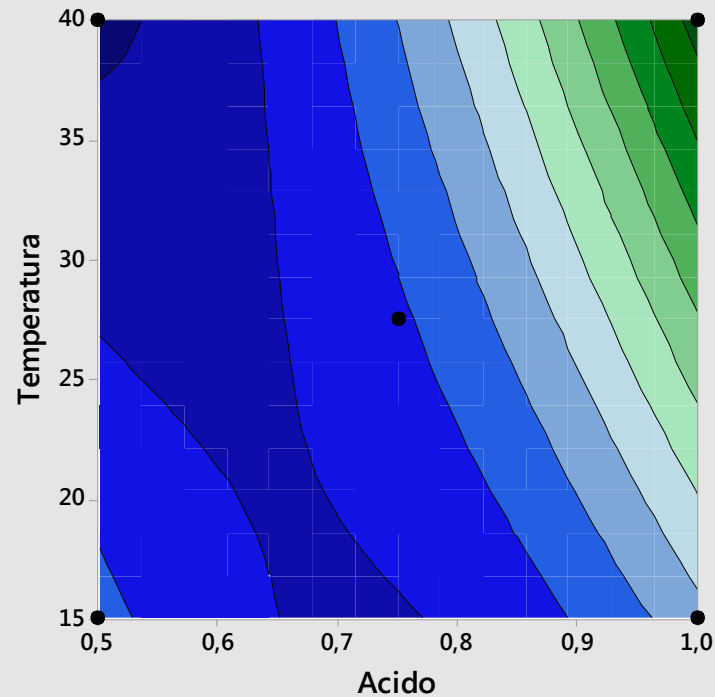
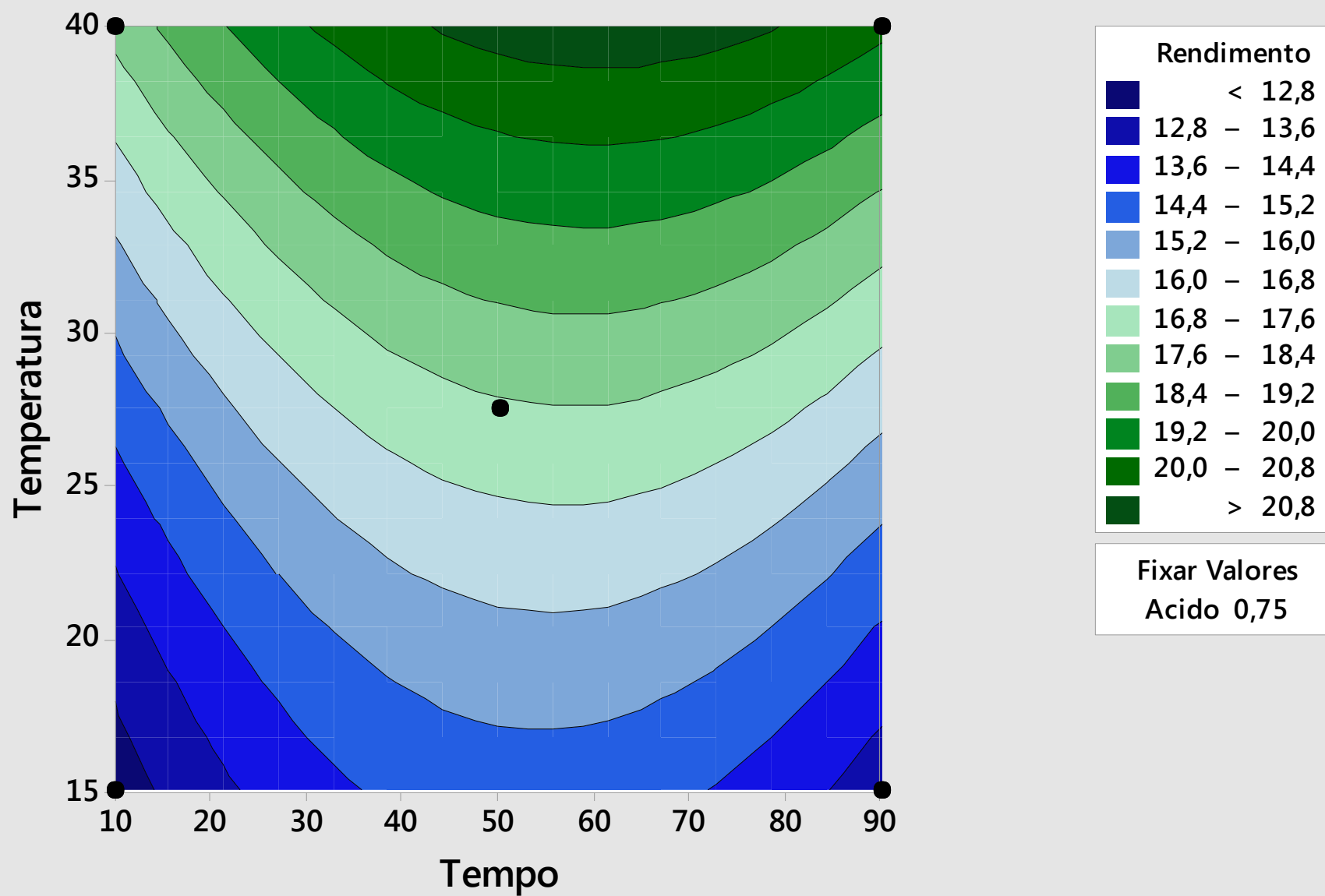


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Solutions for maximum extraction yield.

Solution 1 indicates citric acid concentration of citric acid of 1 M with a extraction time of 78.6 minutes at 40 ° C, and a predicted mass yield of 44.3%.

Solution 2 uses the same values for acid concentration and temperature, but with a time greater than 89.8 minutes, with a predicted yield extraction efficiency of 44.2%.

Table 6 – Extracted and Commercial Pectin Physico –chemical Analysis

Analysis	Watermelon Pectin	Comercial Citrus Pectin
Z (mEq.)	412,92	2672,83
AUA %	42,6	6,6
MeO	0,3	0,7
AC	42,9	7,3
NF	57,1	92,7
DE %	3,76	59,46
pH	2,53 ± 0,02	3,37 ± 0,01

CONCLUSIONS AND PERSPECTIVES

1. Watermelon waste can be used as pectin source (Yield > 44%).
2. Extracted pectin can be used as gellifying food additive.

Low cost – Low tech procedure for small farmers

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