

RAPID IDENTIFICATION OF RICE MACRONUTRIENT CONTENT IN SALINE SOILS USING SMARTPHONE CAMERA

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Indonesia's rice production has decreased by 6.83% (on average) in the last five years (2015–2019) because of some factors. Salinity (42%) is one of the leading factors that cause decreasing rice production besides climate change (21%), drought (9%), and other factors (28%). The smartphone camera serves as an alternative technology to prevent macronutrient deficiencies due to salinity. This study used aerial photos from android with visible light (R, G, and B), and the image was taken from a height of 5 m. The observation of macronutrient content in plant biomass was carried out using a free grid to adjust rice fields and saline soil. The formula was obtained from regression analysis and paired t-test between the biomass macronutrient and the extracted digital number of aerial photographs that have been stacked. The results showed that digital number (DN) from a smartphone was reliable to predict nitrogen (N), phosphorus (P), and potassium (K) content in rice with formula $N = 0.0035 * DN + 0.8192$ (R^2 0.84), $P = 0.0049 * DN - 0.2042$ (R^2 0.70), and $K = 0.0478 * DN - 2.6717$ (R^2 0.70). There was no difference between the macronutrient estimation results from the formula and the field's original data.

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Rice is one of the world's vital food commodities in which productivity is predicted to decline in 2020 by 0.60% (USDA 2020). Based on the (World Agricultural Production.com, 2020), Indonesia ranked third in rice producers, with production reaching 36.5 million metric tons. In Indonesia, rice is an essential food commodity and is the primary foodstuff for the community. The increase in rice demand is not matched by increased production, which fell by –6.83% (on average) from 2015 to 2019 (Central Bureau of Statistics 2020).

Compared to other problems that cause fluctuations in rice production, salinity still has a more severe impact – another case related to water availability. A study by (Iswari *et al.* 2016) mentioned that rice production is caused by drought at the re-

search location, namely the Demak Regency, which resulted in crop failure of 0.629% in 2013, 8.121% in 2014, and 9.173% in 2015. Another problem that has a similar effect to salinity is climate change. Rice production has decreased due to climate change in Indramayu Regency (Ruminta 2016), with an average decline of 21% to 40%. Rice is often affected by salinity, reducing 42% production (Ahmed & Haider 2014). Rice can adapt to almost any environment from lowland to highland. In Indonesia, rice cultivation is carried out in various lands, including wetlands in lowland rice fields, dry land, upland rice fields, and peatlands (Utama 2015). A study by Mardiansyah *et al.* (2018) stated that the Ciherang variety has moderate salinity tolerant characters. The Inpari 32 variety is an inbred from the selec-

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tion results of the Ciherang variety, and Inpari 42 is a salinity tolerant variety (Agricultural Research and Development Agency, 2019).

Soil salinity shows the concentration of dissolved salt in the soil (Sembiring & Gani 2010). Salinity occurs due to (1) the high intake of water containing salt, for example, due to seawater intrusion, (2) higher evaporation and evapotranspiration than precipitation (rainfall), and (3) soil parent material containing salt deposits (Rachman *et al.* 2018). Lowland rice production due to salinity stress can cause a decrease in production. The effect of salinity on crops includes osmotic pressure, nutrient balance, and NaCl salts' toxic impact on saline soils that can disrupt the nutrient balance because certain nutrients are excess or reduced. Potassium is exchangeable, which means a decrease in these elements' availability affects other nutrients crops (Setiawan & Herdianto 2018). The salinity symptoms in rice crops begin with dry leaf tips, reduced tillers, root length, crop height, shoot dry weight, and root weight. Salinity suppresses crop growth processes with effects that inhibit cell enlargement and division, protein production, and the addition of crop biomass. Crops that experience salt stress do not respond directly to damage, but growth is depressed and changes slowly. Excess Na^+ in crop cells directly damages membrane systems and organelles, causing abnormal growth and development before crop death (Sayed & Sayed 2013).

The use of smartphones to identify the macronutrient content of biomass is interesting to study. This technology has potential because many people have used smartphones, have high resolutions, and can be used quickly. One of the most widely used smartphone platforms is an android (>80% smartphone user use). Android is a Linux-based operating system for smartphones that includes an operating system, middleware, and applications (Safaat 2011). Some android cameras' sensors are ambient light sensors, temperature and humidity sensors (Maulana & Setiawan 2018).

In the previous research, Setiawan and Herdianto (2018) created a mobile application that could analyse and recommend the need for nitrogen in rice plants based on the rice leaves' colour. In this application, a set of process stages for image processing and classification is implanted. It is used to analyse

the colour of rice leaves captured via an android camera. Image processing is a feature extraction of red, green, and blue (RGB) values to obtain features in leaf colour images. From the accuracy testing results, the application accuracy rate in analyzing and recommending nitrogen needs on average is 66.67%.

This study aims to implement an android camera to monitor macronutrient content in saline fields. The salinity level in a plot/landscape is considered a common problem. The previous study conducted smartphone camera use (Astika *et al.* 2011), macronutrient analysis, and salinity analysis (Grattan & Grieve 1998). It is necessary to have a technological breakthrough that can "photograph" the variability macronutrients in the salinity area. The breakthrough is the use of terrestrial cameras. The implementation of agricultural precision is planned for modern technology by utilizing industrial era 4.0 technologies such as terrestrial cameras. Therefore, this study measures how accurate terrestrial cameras are in analyzing salinity problems in rice crops. Hopefully, this study can support the government's food security program (NAWACITA) and SDGs.

MATERIAL AND METHODS

Research location

The research activity was carried out in the rice fields in the Jabon district, Sidoarjo Regency, and East Java (Figure 1). Jabon district is located in a lowland, with coordinates of $112^{\circ} 70' 36.17''$ – $112^{\circ} 87' 33.13''$ East longitude and $7^{\circ} 49' 40.01''$ – $7^{\circ} 57' 83.45''$ South latitude. The study area has an annual rainfall ranging from 1,300–1,700 mm per year, with the number of rainy days ranging from 80–120 rainy days per year. The average air temperature per year in this area ranges from 21 – 34°C with a relative humidity level of $\pm 76\%$ (Climate-Data.org). There are three reasons why choosing a small place like Sidoarjo Regency as the research location, namely 1) It is easier to generate basic data for the algorithm; 2) The large image capacity of the smartphone camera becomes inefficient if applied to a large area, and 3) Unique landforms. The Jabon Subdistrict area is formed from the river and sea sedimentation or fluvio-marine.

One of the characteristics of this landform is high salinity because the material contains salt deposits. Many people take advantage of it by cultivating rice, although the harvest in recent years has decreased. The same landform character is found in Central Java, Rembang Regency. It is also formed from the sedimentation of rivers and seas. Erosion material is deposited by rivers on the coast and combined with material carried by ocean waves (Wulan *et al.* 2016).

Jabon district is located in a coastal lowland area, which topography condition is influenced by fluvio-marine sediment and alluvium material (Marsoedi *et al.* 1997). The soil types in the Jabon district include Typic Hydraquents (Soil Survey Staff 2014). The rice field is an area of 1,883.86 ha, or 23.05% (from the total area). Jabon district consists of two alluvial and marine landscapes. The alluvial landform with the alluvial plain sub-landform is in the western part of 2,417.01 ha or 29.6%. Marine landform with plains tidal sub-land is east of Java Island, covering 5,756.34 ha or 70.4% (Marsoedi *et al.* 1997).

Material

A smartphone camera took the image in RGB format with 48 megapixels. This terrestrial camera

had 4GB RAM and a 4,000 mAh battery. The image had a size of $4,000 \times 3,000$ pixels. Another tool used was a 5 m long pole as a vertical photo-taking tool. Then there was the Gimbal for the terrestrial camera stabilizer (Astika *et al.* 2011).

Field observation

The research location was determined based on the initial salinity analysis with an Electrical Conductivity value of 9.6 mS/cm and exchangeable Na of 1.8 cmol/kg. This study was located in two transects. The length of Transect 1 was ± 4 km, and Transect 2 was ± 3.4 km. Transect 1 was 316–817 meters, and Transect 2 was 104–718 meters, where each transect had ten observation points. The salinity source's distance was 10.65 km – point determination based on a free grid (Rayaes 2007). Transect 1 consisted of observation points 1a to 10a, which had a distance of 11.2 to 13.4 km from the salinity source. Additionally, transect 2 consisted of observation points 1b to 10b, which had a 10.3 to 13.5 km distance from the salinity source.

The point determination could be seen from soil analysis results (saline indication) and the coast distance. The rice and soil samples were taken using an

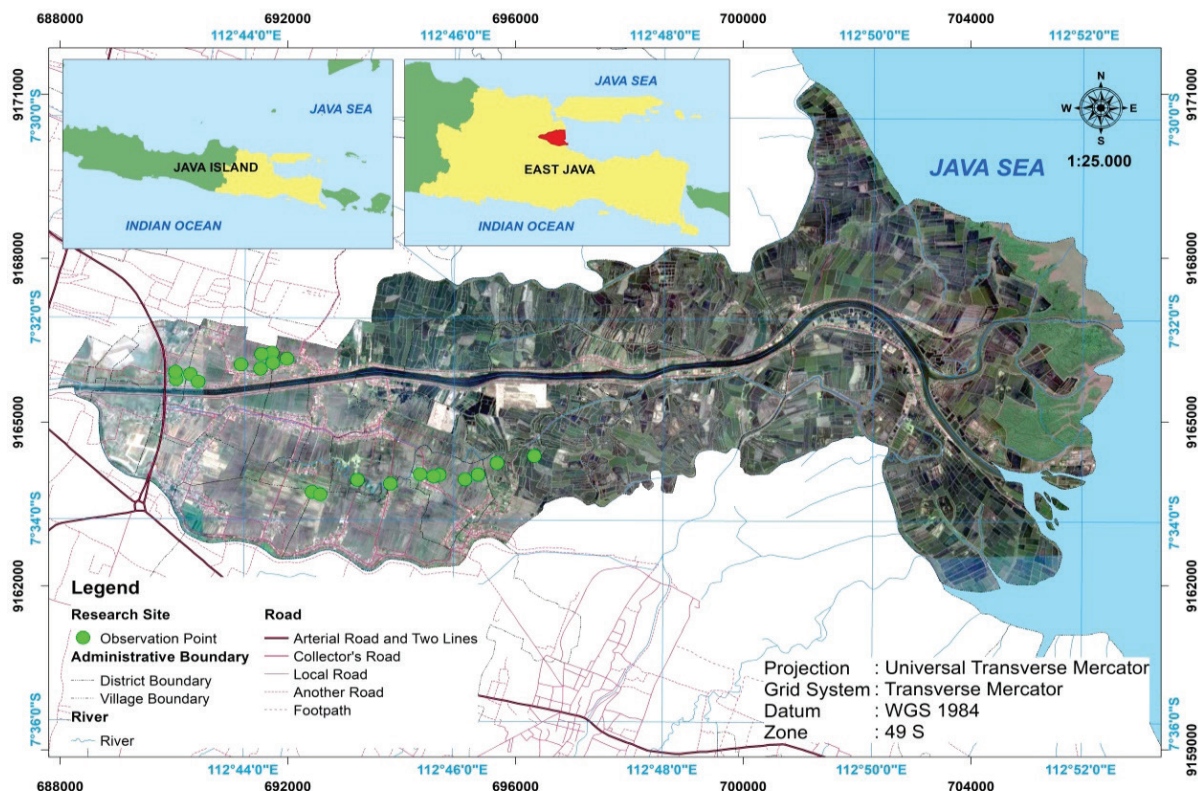


Figure 1. Distribution of research observation points

active field survey method by constructing transects through the ArcGIS 10.3 application. Determination of the sampling point is taken based on field conditions / without a rigid grid and directly tagged to take the location's coordinates. Determination of observation points is done by purposive randomized sampling (Raya 2007). The soil and rice sampling methods are described in "Soil and crops sampling" section (page 65). The research location was determined based on the age of the crops (in the vegetative phase). The age of rice crops obtained in the survey activity was between the ages of 41 to 56 DAP (days after planting). The plants were classified into the vegetative phase of class 2, rice crops aged 41–64 DAP from the age data. Detection of rice crops in rice fields with a good image is in the vegetative phase 2 (LAPAN 2015). This stage also involved the preparation of tools and materials. Then the tools needed for the field survey were prepared, such as a trowel, SPAD (chlorophyll meter), dreadlocks, 5 meter long sticks, administrative maps of Jabon Regency, and other supporting maps (Raya 2007).

Photo-taking using smartphone camera

The tool used was a smartphone camera with 48 megapixels and visible light wavelengths (red,

green, and blue). A gimbal smartphone camera supported the camera to stabilize, and the images were taken from a height of 5 m. The photoshoot was carried out in the rice field with an area, and the land adapted to the existing land with varying levels of leaf colour (Astika *et al.* 2011). The gimbal stabilizer can stabilize the movement and disturbance of the wind because the actuator system in the gimbal design uses a *servo motor* (Fahmizal *et al.* 2018). Servo motor is an electrical device used in machines that function to push or rotate objects with high precision control in angle, acceleration, and speed. The angle of elevation of the gimbal will be controlled stably (Suryana 2018).

The first step in taking photos using a smartphone, apart from making sure the camera is functioning correctly, is paying attention to suitable weather conditions. Overcast skies or the hot sun will affect the image. Smartphone photos require side lap, overlap, and image height settings so that errors that occur due to movements such as tilt and poor lighting can be avoided (Syauqani *et al.* 2017). The difference in the tilt and angle of sunlight, shooting is carried out simultaneously at 10:00 a.m. and a minimum height of 5 meters for smartphone camera use. Research conducted by Simanungkalit

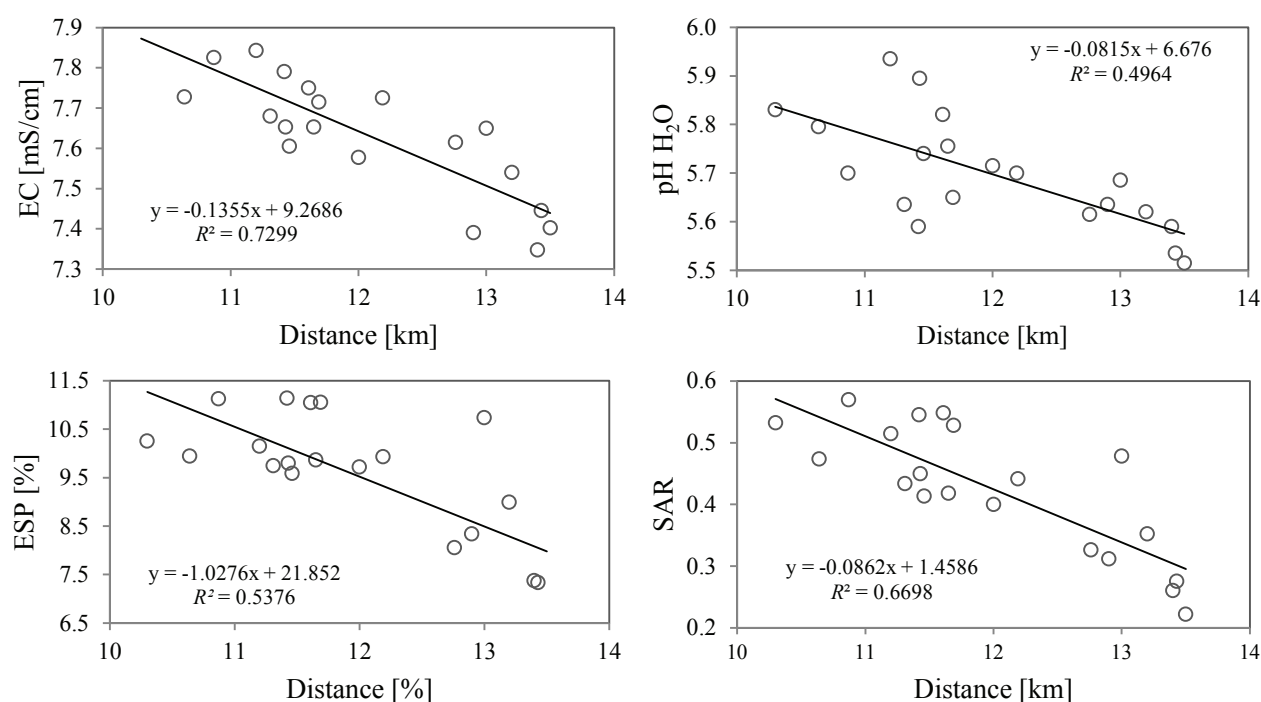


Figure 2. Graph of soil salinity indicator. EC –Electrical Conductivity; ESP – Exchangeable Sodium Percentage; SAR – Sodium Adsorption Ratio; pH H₂O based on the distance from the salinity source

et al. (2019) found that smartphone photos obtained from images taken at 10:00 a.m. had an aerial photo accuracy rate of above 95% in the perfect category.

Soil and crops sampling

The survey activities were carried out by taking soil and crop samples. The soil and crop (leaf) samples were taken before or after aerial photographs on the same day. This step was taken so that the soil samples taken did not undergo significant changes in the field conditions. Real-time sampling was also carried out so that the resulting data can have high accuracy values. The soil sampling taken was a layer of the rice root area. The soil sampling was done on topsoil using the undisturbed soil sampling method (Putra & Nita 2020). The soil sampling was taken from a depth of 0–0.2 m (± 1 kg) (Vadas *et al.* 2006). The sampling of rice biomass was carried out by taking part in the leaves. The determination of soil and crop sampling points based on field conditions/without rigid grids and directly tagged to retrieve location coordinates using GPS. The decision of the observation points was carried out by purposive randomized sampling (Rayes 2007). The composite soil sampling and rice leaf samples were conducted for laboratory analysis to obtain levels

of nitrogen (Bremner 1996), phosphorus (Bray & Kurtz 1945) and potassium (Zakiyah *et al.* 2018) as macronutrients.

Salinity parameter analysis

In identifying macronutrients in rice crops in saline soils, salinity parameters must be considered. Salinity analysis was evaluated using the percentage of sodium exchange (ESP), soil pH, electrical conductivity (EC), and sodium adsorption ratio (SAR) (Djuwansah 2013). This parameter is called the salinity indicator. Salinity parameter criteria are exchangeable sodium percentage (ESP) < 15% (Gupta & Sharma 1990), soil pH < 8.5 (Amran *et al.* 2015), sodium adsorption ratio (SAR) < 13 (Robbins 1984), and electrical conductivity (EC) is 2–4 or > 4 mS/cm (Rhoades *et al.* 1989) in soil. Saline soil is different from saline-sodic and sodic soil. Saline-sodic has criteria of EC > 4 mS/cm, ESP > 15%, and pH > 8.5. Sodic soil has criteria of EC < 4 mS/cm, ESP > 15%, and pH > 8.5 (Sipayung 2003).

Image pre-processing and digital number extraction

The pre-processing of smartphone aerial photos was an initial data processing process. There were several pre-processing stages performed (Muñoz & Kravchenko 2011). The first stage was rectifica-

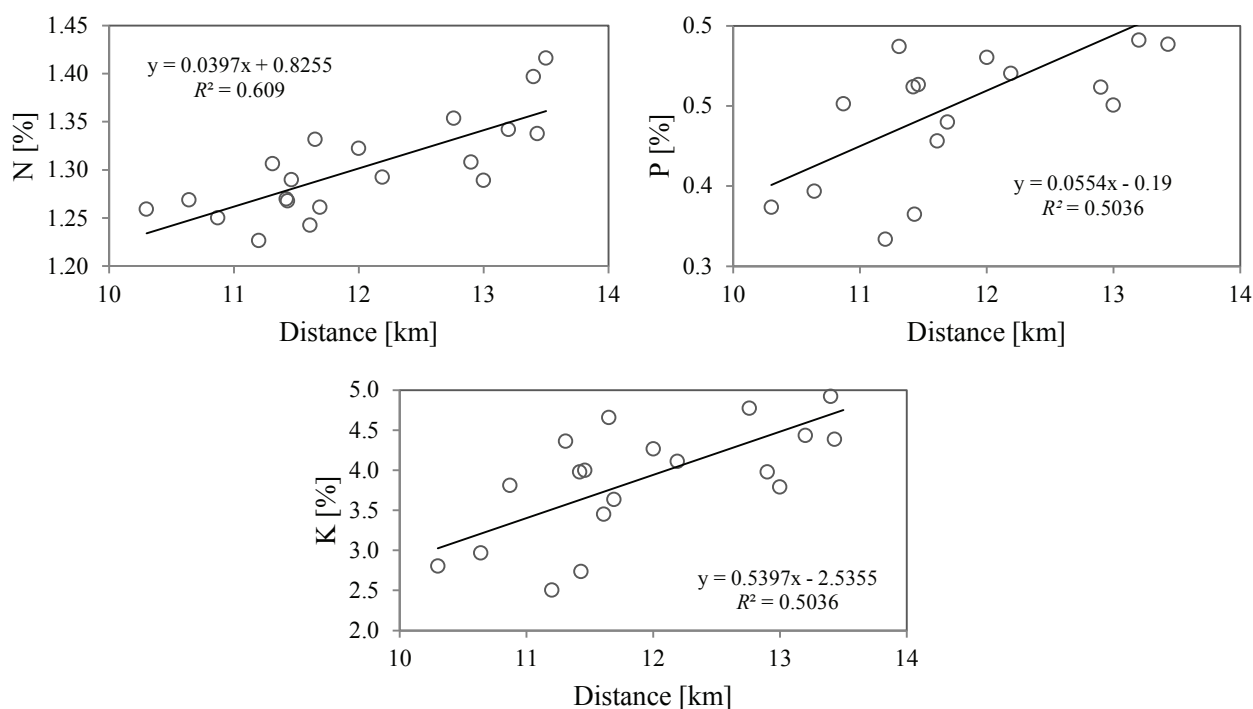


Figure 3. Plant biomass analysis result and the distribution based on distance from saline source
Note: N – nitrogen; P – phosphorus; K – kalium

tion. The second step is to extract digital numbers in ArcGIS 10.3 using the Extract Value to Points Tool (Putra & Nita 2020). This tool is used to obtain the digital number of each pixel at the raster observation point (Dell 2009). Digital numbers are RGB values because rasters are made up of red, green, and blue waves. In this study, the digital number value is the total value of the red, green, and blue waves in one pixel (RGB combination). The digital number transformation results were continued with statistical analysis of correlation and regression using *R* software and then compared with laboratory data correlated with rice crops.

The point of taking the digital number reclaimed aerial photo made diagonally. In one aerial photo, there were five digital number value retrieval points. Each DN value retrieval point was three replications (15 points in total), then averaged into one aerial photo's value (Astika *et al.* 2011). The smartphone camera aerial photos were entered into the ArcGIS 10.3 application. The rectification was carried out with the coordinates of the rectification coordinates in each aerial photograph corner. It was then cor-

rected, and the digital number extraction was started by adding an improved aerial photo.

Moreover, the digital number extraction was carried out. The extraction of digital numbers on a smartphone camera was carried out using each rectified photo, and then a sampling point was entered. This study was conducted using visible (red, green, blue) channels obtained through shooting using smartphone cameras.

Statistical analysis

Initially, the laboratory data results and the normality test result for potato production were analyzed using R studio by the Shapiro-Wilk method (Royston 1992). The correlation test was used to determine the closeness of the relationship between variables and the direction of the relationship (Putra & Nita 2020). The correlation coefficient value (*r*) was compared to the *r*-table (Bewick *et al.* 2003).

Formulation and interpolation of macronutrients deficiency in saline soil

The equation was used to estimate macronutrients (nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium) of rice crops in salinity stress. Moreover, the resulting equations were associated using an aerial photo with a raster calculator on ArcMap 10.3 in ArcToolbox on the Map Algebra tool (Lubis 2011). The resulting interpolation estimated macronutrients (nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium) in rice biomass.

Accuracy assessment

The validation test used a paired *t*-test to verify the correctness or certainty of a model. The reliability test using R studio aimed to determine whether model consistency accuracy – validation using the T-pair test (Montolalu & Langi 2018).

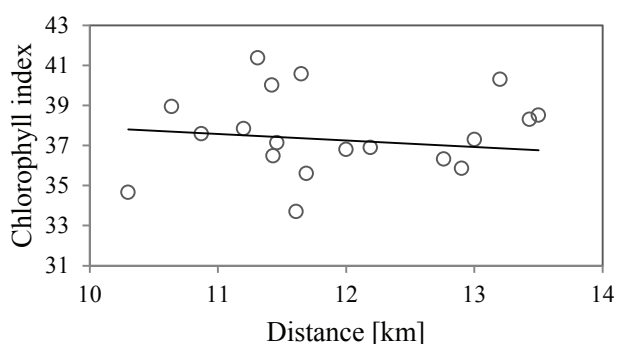


Figure 4. Graph of chlorophyll index

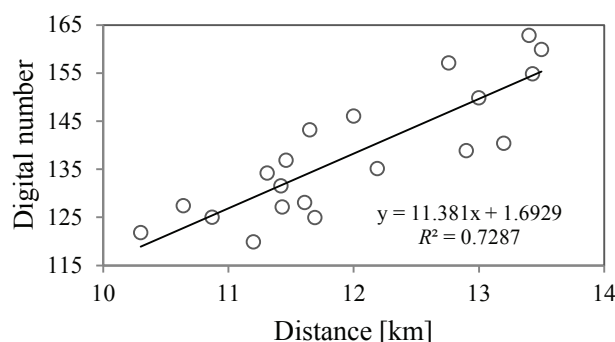


Figure 5. Digital number distribution based on the distance of the saline source

RESULTS

Soil salinity analysis results

Based on Figure 2, the values of electrical conductivity (EC), SAR, ESP, and pH H₂O are getting bigger and closer to the source of salinity. The image is included in the classification of moderate salinity values. The electrical conductivity obtained in this study ranged from 7.35 to 7.92 mS/cm. According to Sipayung (2003) classification based on electrical conductivity values, moderate salinity is rated

at 4–8 mS/cm, where many plants are affected. It includes control in SAR because the value is < 13, ESP includes control because all points have ESP values < 15%, and pH < 8.5. That value corresponds to the saline soil.

The chemical properties used as criteria for saline soils are characterized by soil EC more than 4/ > 4 mS/cm, EC (Electrical Conductivity) < 15%, and pH < 8.5 (Pardo 2010). The salinity indicator consisting of EC, pH H₂O, ESP, and SAR showed an increase in the value of each indicator as the distance from the saline source got closer (Figure 2). The EC values at all observation points increased to 7.4 mS/cm at a distance of 13.5 km, then increased to about 7.9 mS/cm at a distance of 10.5 km. The same pattern of increase also occurred in pH H₂O and SAR. Soil H₂O pH increases from about 5.5 to almost 6 as the salt sources are closer to each other. Another indicator is that the SAR increased from 0.2% to 0.6%, and the ESP increased from 6 to around 10. Therefore, the closer to the saline source, the higher the salinity level. This condition causes the area near the source of salinity to become an area of high salinity flow to crops.

Macronutrient biomass analysis results

Analysis of nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium biomass:

The laboratory analysis of nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium crops (leaves) showed that the total nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium levels of rice crops decreased towards the saline source at the observation point. The results of the study of the total nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium values of rice crops showed a decrease as the distance began to get closer to the source of salinity (Figure 3). Salinity is very influential, where the higher the salinity value causes inhibition of nutrient absorption for crops. Salinity interferes with crops' nutrient uptake in two ways. First, the ionic strength of the substrate, regardless of its composition, can influence nutrient uptake and translocation. Second, salinity interferes with plant mineral relationships by reducing nutrient availability through competition with ions (Monica *et al.* 2014).

Leaf chlorophyll index

Chlorophyll is one of the factors to determine the

status of nutrients in leaves. Figure 3 has the lowest chlorophyll value of 30.8 units/SPAD, and the highest is 41.38 units/SPAD. According to Prabowo *et al.* (2018), chlorophyll measurement results with SPAD values can be categorized into three criteria, namely low (< 50), medium (50–53), and high (> 53). The chlorophyll in this study had a SPAD value of < 50 came in the low category. The difference in rice chlorophyll in various varieties was due to crops' ability to adapt to different salinity conditions.

As shown in the graph in Figure 4, the chlorophyll's value does not increase or decrease significantly. The salinity source's far and proximity do not affect the increase or decrease in chlorophyll's value. This condition is due to the difference in the age of crops and rice varieties used.

The average age of crops at a distance of 13.4 km to 11.2 km from salinity source was 50 DAP (the day after planting), with the youngest crops age 42 DAP. Besides, in on-point observation, with a distance of 13.5 km to 10.3 km from the salinity source, the average age of crops was 54 DAP with the oldest age of 58 days after planting and the youngest of 50 DAP. The varieties used at all observation points were Ciherang, Inpari 32, and Inpari 42 varieties. The chlorophyll index was reviewed from varieties. The average value of chlorophyll in the Ciherang variety was 36.1 units, Inpari 32 variety was 37.6 units, and Inpari 42 was 38 units. According to (Banyo *et al.* 2013), in terms of crop life, crops with a more extended planting period cause a higher chlorophyll concentration than plants that grow faster in the vegetative phase. According to (Muyassir 2012), crop age affects the value of chlorophyll in leaves. Mardiansyah *et al.* (2018) stated that the Ciherang variety has moderate tolerant characters to high salinity. Inpari 32 is an inbred variety from the Ciherang selection, and Inpari 42 is a salinity tolerant variety (Suhartini & Zulchi 2018). Their results stated that salinity did not affect the crop's chlorophyll levels (Nurgayah & Irawati 2017).

Digital number extraction

In this study, the digital number (DN) used is a combination of RGB. Extraction of digital numeric values is taken from the total values of the red, green, and blue pixels visible in the aerial pho-

to. Pixels (picture elements) are the minor element points in a photo. The numeric number (1 byte) of a pixel is called the digital number (DN) (Efendi 2012). The use of smartphones can be implemented independently (stand-alone) by storing data on the mobile device (for simple applications) (Gunita *et al.* 2013). The smartphone's camera uses visible RGB (red, blue, and green) electromagnetic waves. Unlike terrestrial cameras, UAVs, drones, and others, the DN value uses visible light (RGB), NIR or SWIR, or Red Edge. However, if used a vegetation/soil index, the name is an index number, not a digital number (Bernardi *et al.* 2017). The use of smartphones is developing satellite imagery and UAV research with a higher level of precision. Salinity characteristics between locations are different, so it is necessary to use smartphones (Astika *et al.* 2011).

The digital number extraction is started with adding RGB photos. Then a digital number extraction is performed. Digital number extraction on a smartphone camera is done using each photo rectified and then inserted sampling point. In one aerial photo, there are five digital number value retrieval points. Each DN value retrieval point consists of three replays (15 points in total), then averaged to one aerial photo's value. The data of digital number extraction results through aerial photos utilizing smartphone camera obtain results with details based on Figure 5.

The highest digital number value is obtained at 162.8, while the lowest at 119.4. The highest digital number value is obtained at 159.9, while the lowest at 121.8. The digital number's value increases to point ten, the digital number value decreases. The closer the salinity of the source, the digital number values decrease (Figure 5).

Statistical analysis result

Normality test:

The observation variable carried out by the normality test can be said to be normal if the p-value is $p \geq 0.05$. The Digital Number smartphone camera has a normality test value of 0.236. N total [%] crops have a normality test value of 0.340. Then, from the availability of nutrients in the biomass, namely nitrogen total [%], crops have a normality test value of 0.340, phosphorus total [%] value of 0.601, and potassium total [%] value of 0.604. From the availability of nutrients in the soil, namely nitrogen total [%], the soil has a normality test value of 0.246, P_2O_5 total [mg/100g] value of 0.614 and K_2O total [mg/100g] value of 0.574. EC [mS/cm] has a normality test value of 0.627. Salinity indicators can be seen from pH H_2O data has a normality test value of 0.734; pH KCl data has a normality test value of 0.530, ESP value of 0.254, and SAR value of 0.298. All parameters data can be said to

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Correlation analysis of parameters with smartphone camera digital number

	DN	Chlorophyll	EC	pH H_2O	ESP	SAR	N [%]	P [%]	K [%]
DN	1	-0.11	-0.81	-0.70	-0.78	-0.84	0.91	0.84	0.84
Chlorophyll		1	0.15	-0.12	0.10	0.06	-0.02	0.11	0.11
EC			1	0.63	0.83	0.92	-0.83	-0.69	-0.69
pH H_2O				1	0.55	0.60	-0.71	-0.84	-0.84
ESP					1	0.97	-0.87	-0.62	-0.62
SAR						1	-0.91	-0.71	-0.71
N [%]							1	0.87	0.87
P [%]								1	1.00
K [%]									1

Description: EC – Electrical Conductivity; ESP – Exchangeable Sodium Percentage; SAR – Sodium Adsorption Ratio; pH – acidity. Note: N – nitrogen; P – phosphorus; K – kalium

be expected because the value is more than 0.05. All parameters can be said to be expected so that they can be continued to the correlation.

Correlation between salinity and biomass nutrient availability

The correlation test between parameters and smartphone camera digital number values is presented in Table 1. The macronutrients (nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium) and salinity indicators in rice crops based on the smartphone camera digital numbers are processed from smartphone regression test equations camera digital number values and the results of the analysis of crops and soil samples in rice crops in the field.

The equation used is the equations of smartphone camera digital numbers. Based on Table 1, the comparison results show that smartphone camera digital numbers calculate the r-value greater than the r-table (0.4438). It can be said that the DN smartphone camera value is increasing. The value of nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium will also increase. The regression tests can be carried out and used to determine the nutritional estimates of nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium in rice crops. In contrast, chlorophyll has a low correlation value and negative results on the DN smartphone camera. Chlorophyll has a lower calculated r-value, so the correlation result value cannot be performed for regression tests.

The macronutrients (nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium) in rice crops based on salinity indicators such as pH H₂O, EC (mS/cm), ESP, and SAR have processed the analysis of crops and soil samples in rice crops in the field. Based on Table 1, the comparison results show that the correlation between nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium rice crops on the salinity indicators such as pH H₂O, EC, ESP, and SAR values is negative. It can be said that the higher the value of salinity indicators such as pH H₂O, EC, ESP, and SAR will be inversely proportional to nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium rice crops, namely decreasing. In comparison, chlorophyll has a low correlation value for controlling pH H₂O, ESP, EC, and SAR indicators. Chlorophyll has a lower calculated r-value, so the correlation result value cannot be performed for regression tests.

Regression (R^2) parameters nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium total biomass rice using smartphone camera digital number.

The R^2 value is obtained from the regression formula in nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium crops, which means the data is accurate. The regression equation in Figure 6 shows that the y-axis nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium total [%] in rice crops, and the x-axis shows the smartphone camera digital number (DN) value, so nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium total in rice crops are affected by the smartphone camera DN value. In Figure 6, values 0.0035 (N), 0.0049 (P), and 0.0478 (K) are the slopes that determine linear regression direction and 0.8192 (N), -0.2042 (P), and -2.6717 (K) is intercept value. The slope value indicates a positive that the higher the x-values than the greater the y-value. The slope value also shows the rate of increase of nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium total rice crops, an increase of nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium the total rice crops increased by 0.0035 (N), 0.0049 (P), and 0.0478 (K). In contrast, the intercept value refers to the initial calculation value, when the values $x = 0$, then nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium total rice crops are 0.8192 (N), -0.2042 (P), and -2.6717 (K), respectively.

The regression results have obtained the estimation of nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium nutrients in rice crops. Nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium data in rice crops in the field with estimated data nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium using smartphone camera DN show values were not much different. The DN smartphone camera on each aerial photo after extraction produces pixels with red, blue, and green values converted in a DN value that can be used to guess the macronutrients of rice crops.

Accuracy assessment (t-pair test)

The estimation results using a smartphone were tested using a paired T-test to see the similarity of the laboratory data with the estimated N, P, and K nutrients for rice crops and salinity indicators. The estimated p-value is lower than $p > 0.05$, consisting of N, P, and K, which are 0.58, 0.81, and 0.97, respectively. The t-value also shows no difference between the results of laboratory analysis and estimates, which are -0.45 (N), 0.19 (P), and 0.11 (K), respectively. The paired t-test shows that the calculated t-value is smaller than the t-table value (0.68) for N, P, and K. This shows no difference between the results of macronutrient analysis from the labo-

ratory and the estimation results using a smartphone.

DISCUSSION

Smartphones can be used to identify macronutrient biomass in rice with an estimated value that does not differ from laboratory analysis results. DN smartphone can be used to predict N, P, and K crops. A study by (Amri & Sumiharto 2019) shows that a smartphone system can detect nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium nutrients in rice fields in the Special Region of Yogyakarta. In addition, based on LPT Bogor research, the results of the detection of nutrient levels of nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium showed an average detection accuracy of 70.65% (N 94.98%, P 50.84%, and K 66.14%). The best formula that results from the research results is $N_{Total} = 0.0035 * DN + 0.8192$ (R^2 0.84), $P_{Total} = 0.0049 * DN - 0.2042$ (R^2 0.70) and $K_{Total} = 0.0478 * DN - 2.6717$ (R^2 0.70), respectively (Figure 6).

Salinity affects the concentration of macronutrients in crops, reduces the accumulation of nitrogen in crops, phosphorus concentration, and decreases the accumulation of K^+ in crop tissues. This equation shows that every 1 unit increase in the

value of the DN Smartphone camera will have a positive effect on macronutrients (nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium) of 83.7% (nitrogen), 70.34% (phosphorus), and 70.29% (potassium). In other words, the positive effect shows that the higher the DN value of the Smartphone camera, the more macronutrients (nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium) increase. Jabon Regency has a fluvio-marine landform formed from a sedimentation process from a mixture of river sediment (alluvium) and marine sediment (marine). Jabon was previously an ocean that has become land so that the area still contains salt deposits in the underground part.

The metabolic imbalance caused by ion (Na^+) poisoning causes nutrient deficiency (nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium). The destructive effect of salinity on plants is related to the high osmotic pressure of water, an imbalance between Na and K, Ca, Mg ions, and decreased uptake of nitrogen and phosphorus (Grattan & Grieve 1998). Salinity seems to affect two processes, namely water relations, and ionic relations. During initial exposure to salinity, the crops experience water pressure, which reduces the development of leaves. During long-term salinity exposure, crops experience ionic stress, causing three potential effects on crops: reducing water po-

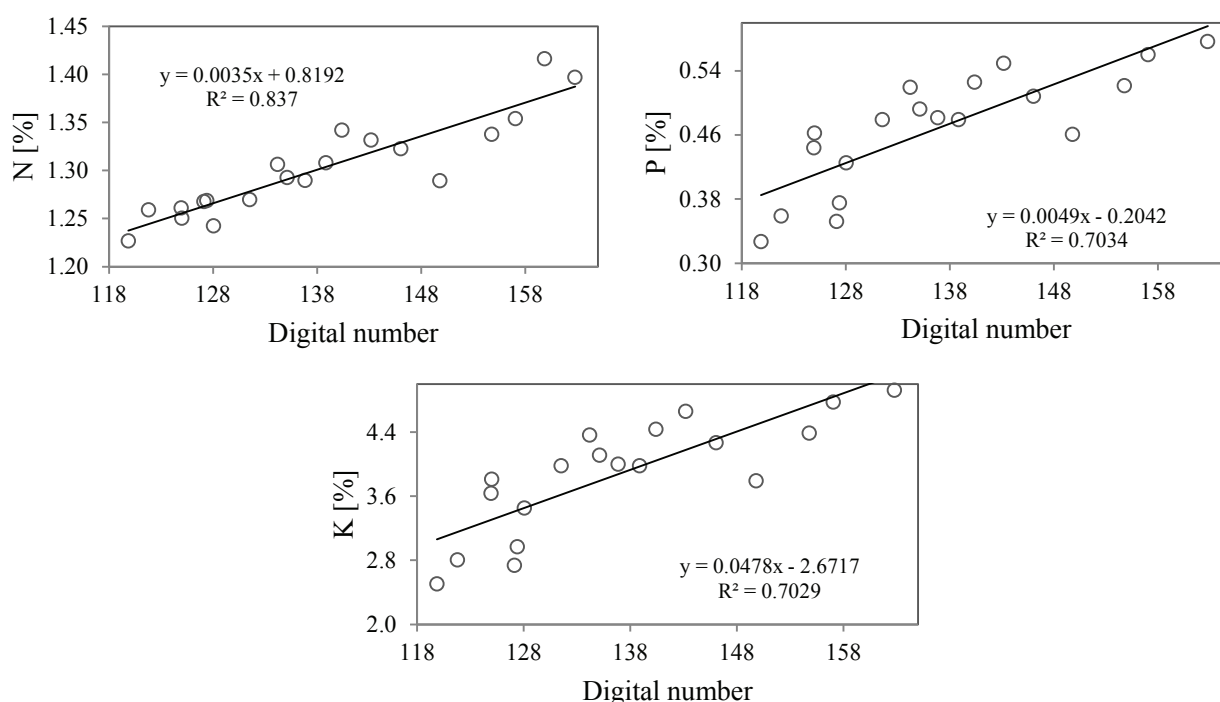


Figure 6. Regression graphic of nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium total crops with DN smartphone camera
Note: N – nitrogen; P – phosphorus; K – kalium

tency, direct toxicity of any absorbed Na and Cl, and disruption to the absorption of essential nutrients (Flowers & Flowers 2005). Salinity causes severe damage to many cellular and physiological processes, including photosynthesis, nutrient absorption, water absorption, root growth, and cell metabolism, which leads to decreased results (Darwish *et al.* 2009). Soil control affects the absorption of nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium in crops. The specific effects of soil control on crop metabolism, EC in leaf aging, are associated with Na^+ and Cl^- ion accumulation and decreased K^+ . Salinity associated with excess NaCl affects crop growth and yield by suppressing water and mineral absorption and normal metabolism (Al-Karaki 2000). According to Sipayung (2003), salinity inhibits the growth of roots, stems, and leaf area, as well as metabolic imbalances caused by ion poisoning (Na^+) and nutrient deficiency (nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium). The P concentration in agronomy crops in the field decreases with increased salinity. Salinity decreases P concentration in crop tissues; elsewhere, salinity

increases P or does not affect it. It is not surprising that differences between studies occur because P concentrations vary significantly in different experiments, and other nutritional interactions may coincide.

The increased salt concentration leads to the accumulation of toxic ions such as Cl^- and, in particular, Na^+ in the cytosols. Several studies have shown that the concentration of K^+ in crop tissue decreases along with increased salinity of NaCl. The decrease in K^+ content in crops by Na^+ is a competitive process. Salinity decreases the accumulation of K^+ on leaves (Manchanda & Garg 2008). The adverse effect of salinity on crops is associated with high water osmotic pressure, the imbalance between Na ions with K, Ca, Mg. Moreover, it is also associated with decreased absorption of N and P (Grattan & Grieve 1998). In general, salinity reduces the accumulation of N in crops. This is because a decrease in nitrate concentration mainly accompanies the increase in absorption and accumulation of chloride (Garg *et al.* 1993).

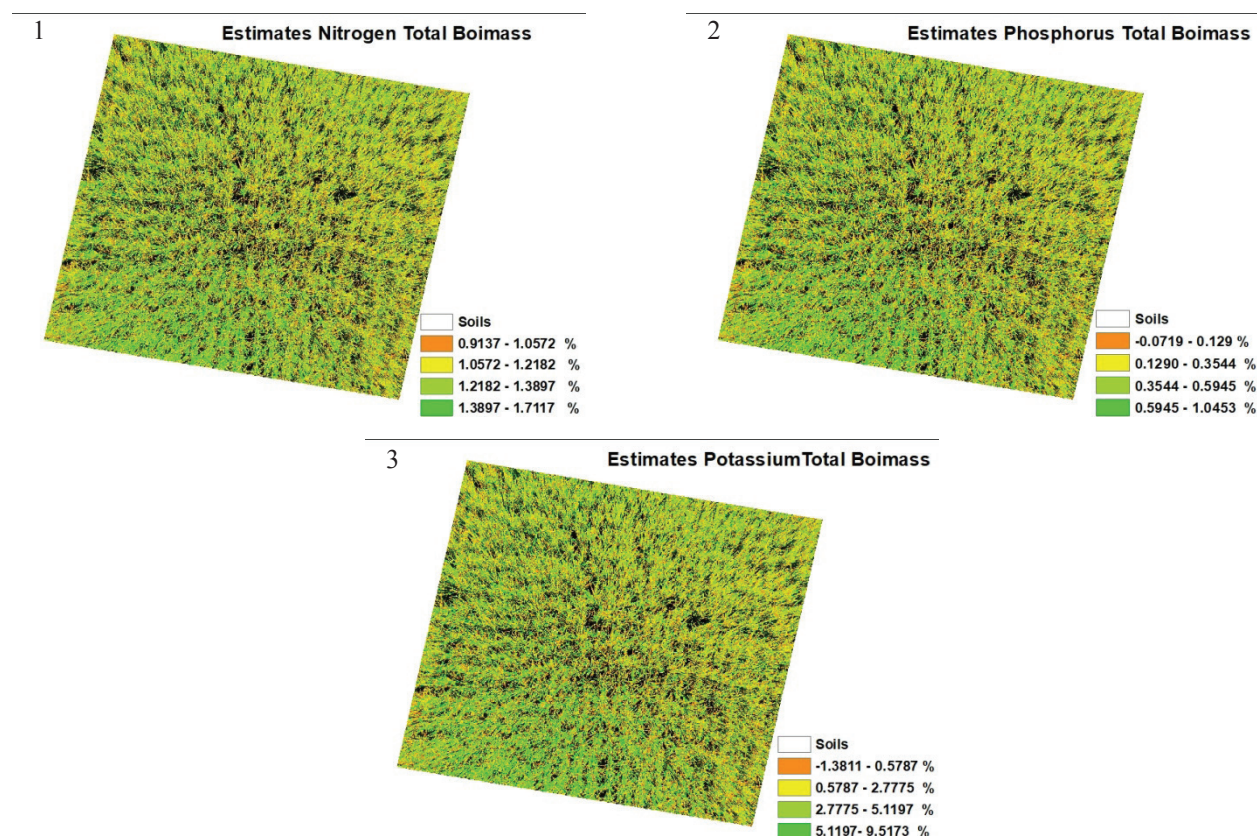


Figure 7. Results of aerial photo estimate nitrogen (1), phosphorus (2), and potassium (3) total biomass rice crops from the smartphone camera

The diversity of soil salinity is affected by the influence of the source of soil salinity, namely seawater in coastal areas. Thus, the observation point 1a to 10a and 1b to 10b describe salinity variability from low to high. Marwanto *et al.* (2009) explained that the closer to the saline source (coastal), the salinity increases. The digital signal processing is obtained by making use of the characteristic wavelength of the reflected leaves. The smartphone camera sensors can measure, analyse, monitor a condition, and then 'r' EC and changes in its surroundings. Several sensors on a smartphone camera include ambient light sensors, temperature, and humidity sensors (Maulana & Setiawan 2018). The smartphone camera is an active detection example that provides its energy source to illuminate targets and uses sensors to measure reflection energy by calculating the reflection angle or time required to recover energy. Some of the smartphone cameras utilize visible RGB (red, blue, and green) electromagnetic waves. Partially, RGB does not affect salinity; the digital number (DN) used is a combination of RGB. The results of the smartphone photo camera refer to the RGB image. The smartphone DN extraction value is obtained from the total RGB value in pixels (RGB combination). A combination of RGB values (red, green, and blue) of aerial photos combine the three primary colours, resulting in various colours in one (Santoso & Handoyo 2015).

The development of technology in various fields impacts digital image processing, one of them is on smartphones. Smartphones have many features, such as digital image capture (Budiman *et al.* 2019). A digital image is composed of a collection of dots called pixels to form a digital photo. Smartphones are operated by a Linux-based operating system that includes an operating system, middleware, and applications (Safaat 2011), more than 80% of smartphone users. Smartphones include operating systems with open source licenses that everyone can use freely to support daily activities and work, including in agriculture (Setiawan & Herdianto 2018). The use of smartphone cameras is one of the developments of satellite and drone imagery. The advantages are good image quality and can be arranged and easy to carry everywhere and the results are fast, there are menus such as brightness, sharpen, smooth, and edge detection (Adiyat 2013).

The most significant salinity factor in Jabon is the geographical position of Sidoarjo, which is on the seafront. Salinity as the most significant factor causes a decrease in nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium in rice crops in Jabon. Meanwhile, other factors such as soil texture, plant varieties, and suboptimal management are less influential than the effect of salinity. Salinity affects soil texture, soil structure, and uptake of plant nutrients. With high salinity values, the availability of plant nutrients is deficient, so that the macronutrient of rice has decreased.

LIMITATIONS AND PROBLEMS IN THE FIELD

Aerial photos taken using a long stick with a smartphone camera are not used for large land due to the viewing angle. If the entire expanse of the rice field in the photo with a camera using a long stick, then some land will be photographed from the side. Aerial photography is affected by sunlight, brighter cross-sections, reflections of light from rice fields, and shadows in aerial photographs (such as a long stick). Taking photos needs to ensure good weather conditions. Avoid taking pictures when the sky is cloudy or the sun is scorching.

The pick-up is also affected by the area of the rice field map. As in transacts 2, observation points 1 and 2 have a small map width so that the outer part of the map is visible on the aerial photos. Choose a site with a large rice field map. Because of the remote location, it cannot be done for extrapolation to the other place. However, it can be overcome by the interpolation tool in ArcGIS software. One of them is Raster Calculator Tool using a math operation. This tool will calculate each pixel using an expression/algorithm (Rogers & Staub 2013). The smartphone camera device used in this study cannot connect with other smartphone cameras or remote control. It can be seen the accuracy of aerial photo-taking. So it uses a timer, then it must be repeated in lifting the long stick. Use a smartphone that supports remote control applications.

The variety and age of rice crops in the field vary considerably at each observation point, allowing variations in rice plants' appearance. The location is determined by trying to make the variety and age of the rice crop more uniform. The optimal age of rice crops used for shooting is in the vegetative phase 2 because it produces a better image (Mosleh

et al. 2015). In processing aerial photos using the smartphone camera, the extraction is still in composite data. Because it is done manually, the height is not standardized. Even though the gimbal has been installed, the shock when taking also affects the shooting results. A sampling at four corners and one center may be fewer DN and chlorophyll samples of rice crops. Aerial photo processing using a smartphone camera extraction can be done by programming to get a DN value that includes all pixels or can do orthophoto, then apply a zonal function. In taking aerial photos using a smartphone camera, the handling and height must be the same as the effective area and more stable in the shooting.

CONCLUSIONS

The content of soil macronutrients (nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium) significantly affects the rice crop biomass. In saline soils, the availability of these macronutrients is reduced, problematic and hampered. Estimating macronutrient content using a terrestrial camera is an effort to identify nutrient deficiencies early. The macronutrient content has a strong effect on the digital number of smartphone camera values. It has a positive regression (nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium) of 0.84, 0.70, and 0.70. This result means that the higher the saline indicator's value, the lower the nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium values in rice crops. A smartphone camera (terrestrial) can monitor salinity stress's impact on reducing macronutrients (nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium) in rice crops. The reliability test results of an aerial photo's digital number value through a smartphone camera have a smaller t-count value than the t-table. The estimated value is not significantly different from the actual data, so the aerial photo's digital number value through the smartphone camera can be applied to guess the macronutrients nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium rice crops and salinity indicators.

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