



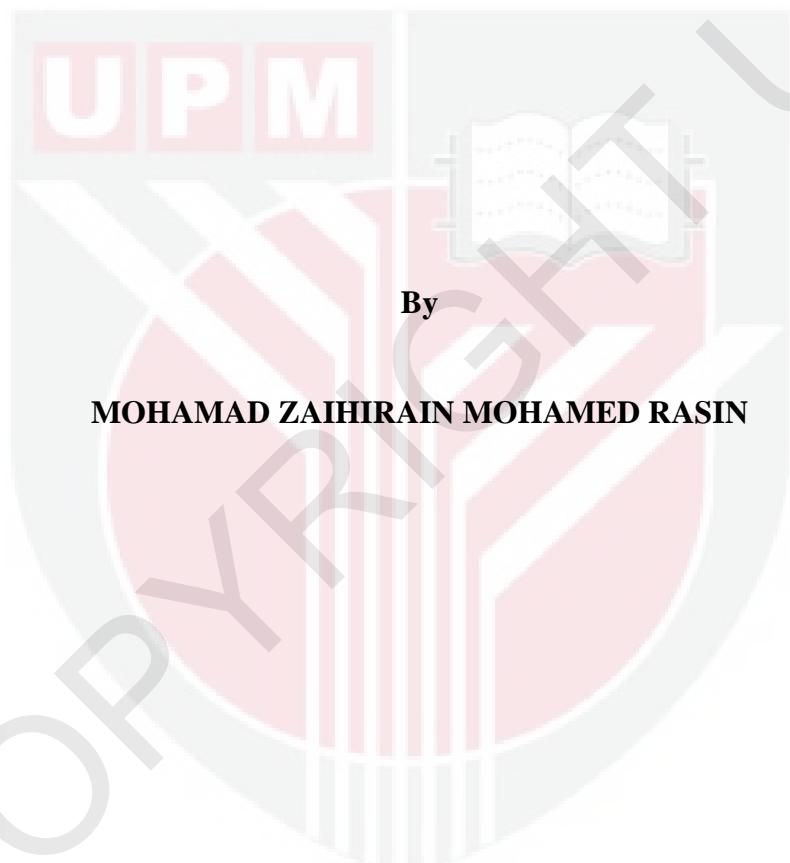
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Timely submission of an accurate cost estimate is vital to the survival of manufacturing support group companies. Late submission of quotation and uncompetitive cost estimate result in lost of customers while an underestimate quotation may reduce company's profit and usually leads to problems later in the production process. Short response time and lack of necessary technical information are the main difficulties frequently faced during the early product cost estimation.

This study develops mathematical models to estimate process cost of sheet metal components at early ordering stage from collection of intuitive cost data and machine operation time. Multivariate statistical analysis is carried out to examine the relative importance of part feature representation extracted from engineering part drawing and to establish the significance relationship between the part features and the unit part process cost. This study introduces a systematic statistical framework for modeling the development of cost estimation for sheet metal components. An analytical classification approach in identifying critical factors is also established.

The results of analysis illustrate that number of standard holes, bounding box perimeter, inner curved cut-out length, number of sharp edges, number of bend lines and inner straight cut-out length are among the most significant factors that influence the unit part processing cost of sheet metal components. The stability and reliability of the developed models are tested with an independent dataset using Mean Absolute Deviation and Mean Percent Absolute Deviation as main performance indicators.

Cost model developed from machine operation time shows the ability to provide an estimation of part process cost within an acceptable range of 12% accuracy while cost models developed from quoted price shows a more narrowed results within 9.0% accuracy. Both the statistical time-based and price-based models provide a better estimation results compared to estimation cost produced by the company's estimators generated based on their intuitive knowledge and experience.

The statistical quality of the established mathematical models proves that the methodology developed in the study is capable to generate acceptable mathematical models for estimating early part process cost within certain degree of accuracy. The models which utilize parametric techniques provide an acceptable alternative solution to estimate process cost for manufacturing sheet metal components at early order stage in the absence of complete technical part information.

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Penyerahan satu anggaran kos yang betul tepat pada masanya adalah amat penting bagi kewujudan syarikat-syarikat pengilangan dalam kumpulan sokongan. Penyerahan sebut harga yang lewat dan anggaran kos yang tidak kompetitif akan mengakibatkan kehilangan pelanggan-pelanggan manakala sebut harga di bawah anggaran boleh mengurangkan keuntungan syarikat dan selalunya menuju kepada masalah dalam proses pengeluaran kemudian nanti. Masa balasan yang singkat dan kekurangan maklumat penting teknikal adalah kesukaran-kesukaran utama yang sering dihadapi semasa peringkat awal penganggaran kos produk.

Kajian ini membangunkan model-model matematik untuk menganggar kos proses komponen-komponen kepingan logam pada peringkat awal pesanan daripada koleksi data kos intuitif dan masa pengendalian mesin. Analisis statistik multivariat dijalankan untuk meneliti kepentingan relatif perwakilan ciri barang yang diekstrak dari lukisan kejuruteraan barang, dan untuk menubuhkan hubungan bererti diantara ciri-ciri barang tersebut dan kos proses unit barang. Kajian ini

memperkenalkan satu rangka statistik yang sistematik bagi pemodelan pembangunan anggaran kos untuk komponen-komponen kepingan logam. Pendekatan klasifikasi analitis dalam mengenal pasti faktor-faktor kritikal juga didirikan.

Keputusan-keputusan analisis menunjukkan bilangan lubang standard, perimeter kotak sempadan, panjang dalaman potongan melengkung, bilangan sisi, bilangan garisan lipatan dan panjang dalaman potongan lurus adalah antara faktor-faktor paling penting yang mempengaruhi unit kos pemprosesan barang bagi komponen-komponen kepingan logam. Kestabilan dan kebolehpercayaan model-model yang dibina ini diuji dengan satu set data bebas menggunakan Purata Sisihan Mutlak dan Purata Peratusan Sisihan Mutlak sebagai petunjuk-petunjuk utama prestasi.

Model kos yang dibina daripada masa pengendalian mesin menunjukkan kebolehan untuk menyediakan satu anggaran kos proses barang dalam lingkungan 12% ketepatan boleh diterima, manakala model kos yang dibina daripada sebutharga menunjukkan keputusan-keputusan yang lebih sempit dalam lingkungan 9% ketepatan. Kedua-dua model statistik berdasarkan masa dan berdasarkan harga menyediakan satu ketepatan anggaran yang lebih baik berbanding dengan kos anggaran yang dikeluarkan oleh pakar atau penganggar syarikat yang dibuat berdasarkan pengetahuan intuitif dan pengalaman mereka.

Kualiti statistik model-model matematik yang didirikan membuktikan metodologi yang dikembangkan dalam kajian ini mampu menghasilkan model-model matematik yang boleh diterima bagi menganggar kos proses barang awal dalam lingkungan ketepatan tertentu. Model-model ini yang memanfaatkan teknik parametrik

menyediakan satu penyelesaian alternatif yang boleh diterima untuk menganggar kos proses pembuatan komponen kepingan logam pada peringkat awal tempahan dalam ketiadaan maklumat lengkap teknikal barang.



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