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ABSTRAK

Proses pemesinan adalah salah satu proses perindustrian tertua dan merupakan pembuatan industri yang paling banyak digunakan untuk kerja, di mana kira-kira 15% peratus daripada semua komponen mekanikal dibuat oleh proses pemesinan di seluruh dunia. Industri aeroangkasa adalah adalah satu industry yang menggunakan proses pemesinan. Dalam industri ini, kejituan produk yang dihunakan adalah sangat penting berbanding dengan industri lain. Pada masa kini, sesetengah masalah yang dihadapi berdasarkan pemilihan mesin yang sesuai untuk komponen aeroangkasa seperti impeller. Objektif bagi projek ini adalah memahami dua jenis five-axis machine configuration dan mengeluarkan five-axis machining pergerakan mata alat yang sesuai serta membezakan ketepatan komponen yang telah dimesin. Aluminium digunakan sebagai bahan mentah bagi impeller. Five-axis mesin yang telah digunakan adalah HSC 70 linear dan DMU 60 evo manakala strategi permesinan disediakan melalui CATIA V5. Dalam CATIA V5 beberapa strategi telah digunakan diantaranya adalah roughing, multi-axis contouring dan isoparametric. Selepas pemesinan selesai, penilaian ketepatan akan diukur melalui geomagic control x software. Sebelum penilaian ketepatan diukur melalui geomagic control x software impeller yang telah selesai dimesin akan diimbis menggunakan 3D scanning mesin. 3D model yang didapati dri scanning process akan di ukur melalui geomagic control x software akan menyatakan perbezaan antara CAD model dan part yang telah dimesin.

Kata kunci—; impeller; five-axis machine; CATIA V5; aluminum; accuracy;

ABSTRACT

Machining process is one of the oldest industrial processes and is the most widely used manufacturing industry for work, of which about 15% percent of all mechanical components are made by process machining around the world. Aerospace industry is an industry that uses machining processes. In this industry, the accuracy of the product used is very important compared to other industries. Nowadays, some of the problems encountered are based on the selection of machines suitable for aerospace components such as impeller. The objective of this project is to study two types of five-axis machine configurations and to determine suitable machining tool path in preparing the CAM program in real machining and distinguish the precision of machined. Aluminium is used as a raw material for impeller. The five-axis machine that has been used is HSC 70 linear and DMU 60 evo while CAM program machining strategy is provided through CATIA V5. In CATIA V5 there are several strategies have been used such as roughing, multi-axis contour driven and isoparametric. After machining is complete, evaluation assessment will be measured through the geomagic control X software. Before part measured through the geomagic control X software, the completed machined part will be scanned using the 3D scanner machine. The 3D scanner result in the scanning process will be measured through the geomagic control X software will state the difference between the CAD model and the machined parts.

Keywords—; impeller; five-axis machine; CATIA V5; aluminum; accuracy

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS, SYMBOLS AND NOMENCLATURES

CAM	=	Computer Aided Manufacturing
CAD	=	Computer Aided Design
CATIA	=	Computer Aided three-dimensional Interactive Application
NC	=	Numerical Code
CNC	=	Computer Numerical Code
STL	=	Standard Triangle Language
UTeM	=	Universiti Teknikal Maysia Melaka
Ksi	=	Kilopound per square inch
mm	=	millimeter

CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

This chapter will explain the overview of the study and the purpose of this study. The chapter includes the background of the study, problem statement, objectives that is expected to be achieved and the scope of the study that is going to be conducted

1.1 Project's Background

Machining process is one of the oldest industrial processes and it is the most industrial manufacture of work piece used, where is estimated that is 15% percent of all mechanical components are made by machining process all around the world. (Calamez et al., 2008). Today, CAD/CAM system still remain an important role among the tools for digital manufacturing and digital factory, and take a major part in interaction activities between human and computers in manufacturing industry. This will be strengthened further due to evolvement towards a high level of flexibility in the manufacturing industry. (Li et al., 2015). CAD/CAM software have addition function such as collision-avoidance capabilities and advanced simulation for five-axis program. CAD/CAM software is designed to cut the complex part used in many areas such as die-mold, aerospace and medical machining applications. (Patrick Waurzyniak, 2007).

CNC machining is a process that widely used in manufacturing sector that involves the use of computer to control the machine tools. The quality of the surface

influences the performances of machining operation. It is because a good quality turned surface significantly improves the quality. (Patel et al., 2012). With the ever increasing demands for higher and higher accuracy on modern CNC equipment, the manufacturing processes for machining and assembling the structural components are an increasingly important factor in establishing a geometrically correct machine tool especially flatness, parallelism and straightness of interfacing surfaces determine whether the machine tool's basic accuracy. (Hansel et al., 2014)

Recently, five axis and multi-axis machining methods have been looked by CAM software suppliers to solidify their offerings for users trying to stay competitive by using more complex manufacturing techniques. Large 5-axis multi spindle gantry milling machine, because of its multi spindle can process simultaneously, making a substantial increase in production efficiency, is an important role of the main CNC machining equipment for the efficient production of high value large aircraft structure part. (Qin Xiaopin et al, 2016). To machine the parts with accurate dimensions and shapes and low machining costs, it is necessary to construct 3D models of the finished parts in the geometric simulation and in-process work piece models of the parts in the physical simulation of their five axis milling.

A five-axis tool path comprises a 3D trajectory curve of a fixed reference point on the tool as well as the tool orientation associated the trajectory. Every point on the trajectory curve is assigned a tool feed rate and the total machining time is then the integration of the feed rate over the entire trajectory curve. (Hu et al., 2017) Depending upon what type of CNC machine tool is to be used, different types of tool paths can be generated. Conventional three-axis machining, with three linear axes, accommodates numerical control of the cutter position plus the addition of two rotary axes in five axis machining offers the extra capability to control orientation of the cutter. (Cripps et al., 2016) Five axis technology provides the user with the ultimate amount of control when applying tooling to a part. Because of this, collision avoidance, improved surface finish, and reduced tool wear are some of the benefits realized. (Nathan, 2015).

One of the leading solutions for product success is CATIA V5. CATIA V5 is a software that addresses all organization related with manufacturing field which from minor independent manufacturer until their supply chains. CATIA – which stands for Computer Aided Three-dimensional Interactive Application is the most powerful and widely used CAD software of its kind in the world. CATIA is widely used for designing purposes in aerospace sector and few other segment of industries as well.

Surface roughness is a main parameter in Computer Numerical Control (CNC) technology meanwhile getting the optimization parameter for surface roughness is a hard solving issue because of the interaction between the parameters. Surface roughness of the contacting surfaces influences the frictional properties of those surfaces during the forming processes. Furthermore, it is well known that the final geometry of surface roughness is influenced by various machining conditions such as spindle speed, feed rate and depth of cut (Kumar et al., 2012). Surface roughness parameter also plays an important role in manufacturing industries as it can influence friction, wear and lubricants of contacting bodies.

1.2 Problem Statement

5-axis machining has become much more prevalent in today's manufacturing market place, and although the overall knowledge base of machinists and operators has grown by leaps and bounds over the past several years, there is still a great deal of misunderstanding and mystery surrounding accuracy both as it applies to the workpiece itself, and also how the overall positioning of the rotary axis of the machine might be effected.

It is no secret that simply moving away from the traditional 3-axis setup, for parts with multi-sided features, will inherently prove to create a more accurate part because each time the part is flipped and relocated against a mechanical stop there is the possibility of mis-locating the workpiece, and allowing for inaccuracies in each step of the process. However, by moving to a 5-sided setup, with only one clamping

of the workpiece, the accuracy of the overall process will inherently improve and the accuracy of the individual part should theoretically be as close as the machine tool is capable of positioning but understanding what factors are in play that might affect the overall accuracy of a particular process is at the heart of creating an accurate workpiece.

Five-axis CNC machining is suitable to machine complex part. Five-axis CNC machining provides a high quality of product or part and given good positional accuracy. Simulation done in software such as CATIA V5 helps in determining defect occur before physical machining. This step helps in preventing wasted material. HSC 70 and DMU 60 evo are Five-axis CNC milling machine commonly used for a machining process. Both of the machine have same post processor but using a different controller and configuration. It's give difficulty to make a decision which one of the machine have a better accuracy to create impeller. Accuracy of machine will be analysed by part that have been machined in term of dimensional accuracy using coordinate measuring machine.

1.3 Objectives

Based on the problems that have been stated beforehand, this study aims to:

- i. To study DMU 60 evo and HSC 70 linear machine configuration
- ii. To determine suitable machining tool path in preparing the CAM program for Impeller using CATIA V5 software in real machining
- iii. To study different between two machining configuration in term of dimensional accuracy and machining time.

1.4 Scope

In this project, the research study will focus on accuracy of part, the raw material used to be machined is Aluminium. This project is concerned on getting the suitable machining tool path generations in producing impeller utilizing CATIA V5 as the main CAD/CAM software. CAD model of impeller is searched and verified by advisor. This step is very important in ensuring that the chosen CAD model fulfil the project requirement. Various five axis tool paths/processes designed to obtain desired impeller. Five axis machines DMU 60 and HSC 70 are used to perform the machining. Accuracy of machined will be analyses after physical machining. Processes that been selected in this research are roughing, profile contouring, multi-axis contour driven, multi-axis flank contouring and isoparametric.

CHAPTER 2

LITERATURE REVIEW

This chapter explains about all findings obtained from many literature reviews, which may come from the internet, journals, article and books about the topic related to this study. This section includes findings about the overview of machine features, Five-axis machining, Ball End Milling Process, Five-axis Flank Milling and accuracy five-axis machining.

2.1 Machine Features

Nowadays, there are many five axis milling machine is being used in aerospace manufacturing. In this project we will use machine from company DMG MORI which is HSC 70 Linear and DMU 60 evo.

2.1.1 HSC 70 Linear

The HSC 70 Linear has a thermosymmetrical portal design that creates the perfect conditions for chip removal and power balance, regardless of spindle position. DMG MORI ensures excellent surface quality, in combination with the refined temperature management for the whole machine and a consistently high level of precision in the range of a few microns, including for demanding continuous operation. 5-axis operation is possible via an NC-rotary table and the rotary A-axis behind the milling spindle. 5-axis operation via an NC-rotary table

and the rotary A-axis behind the milling spindle. Spindle speed of up to 18,000 rpm. Powerful milling performance, with an optional 40,000 rpm. EGROline control panel with a 21.5 multi-touch-screen on a Siemens control. In addition to highly dynamic linear drives and new high-performance spindles with shaft, flange and jacket cooling, the thermosymmetrical design and special cooling measures ensure maximum precision and productivity. (Centers, n.d.)



Figure 2.1 : HSC 70 Linear five axis Milling Machine (adapted from Centers, n.d.)

2.1.2 DMU 60 evo

The DMU 60 evo combine the flexibility of modern universal milling machines with the performance potential of vertical machining centers. The innovative machine design, optional X- / Y-axis linear drives and the proven swivel rotary table are just a few of the many features that deliver maximum flexible productivity. The NC swivel rotary table, with its large swivel range, offers 5-axis simultaneous machining for exceptional surface quality while also expanding your application possibilities with complete machining of single parts

or in serial production runs. Whether for machine construction, tool and mold making, medical technology, automotive, or aerospace projects – when precision and flexibility are as important as time and cost savings, the DMU evo Series delivers efficient technology for unmatched results. In addition to offering optimal accessibility and impressive dynamics, the eVo Series delivers exceptional performance and power options with 10,000 rpm. and 18,000 rpm. The machine's construction features minimal axes projection for unparalleled stability and rigidity over the entire travel area that delivers impressive long-term precision. Positioning of the Y-slide and a round cabin design offer easy access to the work area. Even with integrated handling systems, front access to the work area is retained. Additionally, the machine's shallow reach-in depth and optimal loading height provide favorable ergonomics. A left-side positioned tool magazine and chain carrier layout offer a similar setup area for all magazine sizes. (Centers, n.d.)



Figure 2.2 : DMU 60 evo Linear Five axis Milling Machine (adapted form Centers, n.d.)

2.2 Five-axis Machining

The term of “five-axis” are refer to the number of the direction which the cutting tool can move. On a five-axis machining center, the cutting tool will moves across the X, Y and Z linear axes as well as rotates on the A and B axes approach the work piece form any direction. According to, five-axis machining technologies has been used widely in the production of complex parts in aerospace, automotive parts and biomedical industries. With five-axis machining, parts can be machined in a single setup which will reduces recycle times. The main focus of using five-axis machining in industry is to reduce times, dimensional and surface error on its nature. However, these desired points cannot be achieved satisfactorily without modelling of five-axis milling mechanics. Figure 2.3 below shows simulated five-axis impeller machining and tool path.

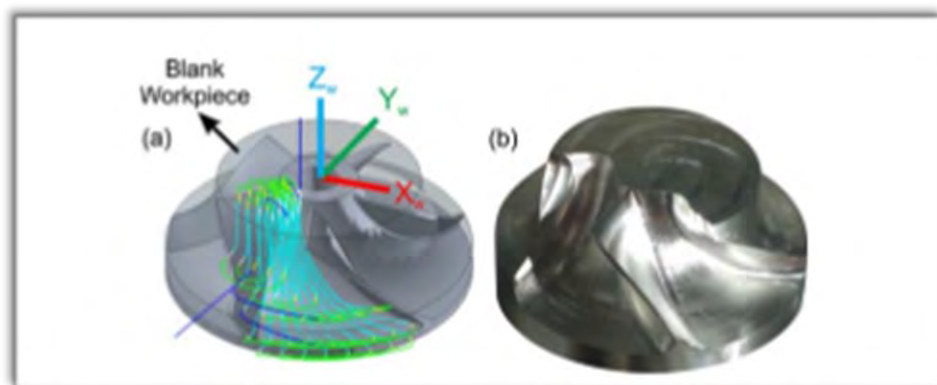


Figure 2.3: Simulated of impeller in five-axis machining (adapted Lazoglu et al., 2011)

Nowadays, according to (Huran, 2012) the conventional machine tool can no longer satisfy requirement for the complex parts. But, only the help of CAD/CAM can fulfill the requirement. Since the vane of the impeller leaf has been considered as the hardest challenge, five-axis CNC machine tool is required for the machining of such parts. There are many points of interest and also limitation in CNC machining. As all know, CNC machines can be used continuously 365 days a year and only need to be switched off for the occasional maintenance. Besides, CNC machines are programmed