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OPTIMIZATION OF CUTTING PARAMETERS ON SURFACE ROUGHNESS AND PRODUCTIVITY WHEN MILLING WOOD MATERIALS

The quality of the machined surface is one of the most important criteria when products are processed. For different materials, there are differentially fitting processing technologies and cutting modes to ensure that the parts have surface roughness in the allowed value range. In this paper, the research on surface roughness of machining tropical wood by milling method is presented. It is necessary to establish and solve the optimal problems with such aims as the highest surface quality, minimum cutting power and the highest productivity in the optimal cutting mode. Using a great amount of experimental planning and many constrained nonlinear optimization problem solving methods, the authors built a process and solved the problem to determine the optimal cutting parameters such as feed per tooth S_z , tool tip radius ρ , depth of cut h, etc. that satisfy the above object. Research object is tropical wood chukrasia and this is the database to design woodworking machines by milling method and choose a reasonable working mode when processing on CNC machines.

1. INTRODUCTION

The surface quality of solid wood products is one of the important properties which have a direct influence on continuous manufacturing processes such as finishing and the durability of glue line and joints. In the research of Kilic [1] the surface roughness of wood can be affected by various factors such as annual ring variation, wood density, cell structure or latewood/earlywood ratio.

The studies that have been carried out abroad in this field are now in abundance. Many authors have studied the defects, methods and errors frequently caused by the structure of the wood and the influence on the processing and manufacturing, so the process can be optimized through adjusting the machining parameters. In the paper of Wilkowski [2] a great deal of research in this direction currently focuses on temperate wood – low density common wood (< 450 kg/m³). However, in the studies of Pereira [3], the optimization problem has not been solved comprehensively.

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From the actual needs and typical studies such as the influence of processing parameters on the quality of processed wood surface [2, 4, 5–10], the criteria and methods that can effectively evaluate the quality of processed wood [11], or the influence of cutting tool geometry on surface roughness during machining in the research of Keturakis [12], it can be shown that there are two common targets to be achieved: the quality of the wood surface after processing and processing productivity – processing cost. Regarding the machining productivity objective, the quality of the machined surface is also included; but in terms of constraints, it is within the acceptable range.

In their paper, Dobrzynski et all [13] presents the selected results of research of the effect of the cutting tool wear on the surface quality of elements after planning. Through the studies of Wilkowski [2, 4], Pereira [3], Zhong [11], Keturakis [12], it has been shown that the problems in the machining process have directly affected the machining quality, including: tool tip radius (tool wear) ρ , feed per tooth S_z , cutting speed v, and depth of cut h. In this paper these parameters will be set up and built into a problem process with the objective function of cutting power or cutting mode on the basis of optimization constraint functions, from which there is a basis for experimentation, evaluation and comparison with the work before. In addition, there are no adequate studies on tropical woods and in this paper, the research object is tropical wood chukrasia.

2. THEORETICAL BACKGROUND OF MILLING

To be able to process wood, there are now many different methods depending on the needs of the shape of the finished products. One of the most common methods is milling, specifically the four-side planer or CNC router as shown in the schematic diagram in Fig. 1.

In the diagram in Fig. 1, the milling region is divided into 3 parts: processed surface, cutting surface and processable surface. The parameters of milling process (Fig. 1) include: tool radius R = D/2 (mm), depth of cut h (mm), width of workpiece *b* (mm), feed per tooth S_z (mm/tooth), number of knives z (tooth), spindle speed *n* (rpm), feeding speed *u* (m/min).



Fig. 1. The wood milling scheme

To evaluate the quality of the wood surface after processing, specifically the surface roughness here, the geometrical factors of the roughness are used as the indicator. It is determined within the standard length and calculated against the average of the surface profile. The assessment of roughness is used according to 2 criteria: the arithmetical mean roughness R_a and the ten-point average roughness R_z . In this paper, the selected parameter for surface roughness evaluation is the R_z . Because the wood surface when milled is too rough, this measurement will be more accurate than the R_a criterion. The roughness when machining by milling: rough $-R_z = 100...315 \mu m$, semi-finished $-R_z = 30...100 \mu m$, fine-finished $-R_z = 16...30 \mu m$. In this study, we use the semi-finished milling method and limit the roughness $R_z \le 70 \mu m$, corresponding to raw sanding of Gökay et all [14]. Sandak et all [15] stated that all wood surface measurements can be performed in industrial conditions using either in-line, on-line or off-line strategies.

Optimal cutting modes are selected to reduce cutting power loss, to improve machining productivity, tool life and wear resistance, accuracy and machined surface quality. Therefore, it is necessary to have theoretical studies on wood cutting, cutting modes, the influence of factors on cutting power, surface roughness and tool survive life.

The cutting parameters of the wood planning process have been thoroughly studied, while the profile of the shaping milling process has not been fully studied.

2.1. CHIP THICKNESS WHEN MILLING WOOD WITH INCLINED MILLING BLADE

Among the parameters that have the greatest influence on the cutting mode, the most important are those related to the cutting layer of material, specifically the chip thickness. The chip thickness is the most important factor in the milling process. This factor determines the chip forming process characteristics and affects the cutting power, surface roughness, as well as machining productivity.

The wood milling process with the cutter blade inclined profile ψ works more quietly than planer milling. It can be explained as follows: The instantaneous cross-sectional area of the chip changes because the chip width and the chip thickness change instantaneously during cutting. The chip width changes from 0 at the start of cutting to the maximum value, holds constant, and then gradually decreases from the maximum value to 0.

The problem of determining the chip thickness when milling wood has been studied by many researchers Fisher [16], Rozenblit [17], Salomon [18], etc.

According to Fisher [16], the chip thickness is determined by the following formula:

$$a = S_z \sin \varphi \tag{1}$$

According to Rozenblit [17], the chip thickness is determined by the following formula:

$$a = S_z \sin\left(\varphi + \frac{\pi S_z \cos\varphi}{\pi D \pm z \cos\varphi}\right) \frac{\pi D}{\pi D \pm S_z z \cos\varphi}$$
(2)

where: *a* is the chip thickness; S_z is the feed per one tooth; *z* is the number of knives; *D* is the milling cutter diameter; φ is the angle of rotation of the cutting tool. "+" sign is for reverse (conventional) milling, "-" sign for forward (climb) milling. Martelotti [19] gives a more precise formula for chip thickness a_{max} :

$$a_{max} = \frac{DS_{z}\left\{\frac{D}{2} + \frac{2}{3}\left[\frac{v}{2\pi n}\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{D-2h}{D}\right) - S_{z}\right]\right\}\sin\left\{\frac{180\left[\frac{D}{2} + \frac{v}{2\pi n}\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{D-2h}{D}\right) - S_{z}\right]\right\}}{\pi\left(\frac{v}{2\pi n} + \frac{D}{2} - \frac{2}{3}S_{z}\right)}\right\}}{2\left\{\left(\frac{v}{2\pi n}\right)^{2} + \left(\frac{D}{2}\right)^{2} + \frac{vD}{2\pi n}\right\}\cos\left\{\frac{\frac{180\left[\frac{v}{2\pi n} + \frac{D}{2}\right]\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{D-2h}{D}\right) - S_{z}\right]}{\left(\frac{v}{2\pi n} + \frac{D}{2} - \frac{2}{3}S_{z}\right)}\right\}}$$
(3)

In practice, the milling profiles have many different complex shapes. Therefore, we can interpolate them by straight lines with different angles of inclination of the cutter ψ_i . Then the average value of the thickness of the workpiece is determined by the formula:

$$a_m = S_z \sqrt{\frac{h_m}{D_m}} \tag{4}$$

where: h_m , D_m are mean values of cutting depth and tool diameter.

When wood is milled with a cutting blade with an inclined profile ψ and a positive front angle, the milling blade with the largest diameter will cut the chip first, then the smaller diameter tip positions. The maximum chip width is obtained when the position of the tool with the smallest diameter participates in the chip making process. The chip formation process is divided into 3 stages of I, II and III as shown in Fig. 2.



Fig. 2. Chip formation when milling wood with inclined milling blade ψ

Figure 3 is used to determine the chip thickness and cross-sectional area of the chip when milling wood with a cutting blade with an inclined profile ψ . Then AI is the chip thickness in the radial direction a_r and the average chip thickness is determined by Nguyen [12] with the formula:

$$a_r = AI = S_z \sin \varphi \tag{5}$$

The chip thickness a is determined in the plane AFL perpendicular to the blade AB, and the segment AL is determined by the formula (Fig. 3):

$$a = a_r \cdot \cos \varepsilon = S_z \cdot \sin \varphi \cdot \cos \varepsilon \tag{6}$$

When wood is milled with a milling cutter with an inclination angle ψ , the movement of the milling cutter cutting edge creates the hyperboloid one sheet. The equation for this surfaces is:

$$F(x, y, z) = \frac{y^2}{R^2 \sin^2 \gamma} + \frac{z^2}{R^2 \sin^2 \gamma} - \frac{(R \cos \gamma - x \tan \psi)^2}{R^2 \sin^2 \gamma} - 1 = 0$$
(7)

The parametric equation of the normal to the hyperboloid one sheet at point A(0,R,0) has the form:

$$Z = a_1 \cdot t; \quad y - R = b_1 \cdot t; \quad x = c_1 \cdot t$$
 (8)

The coefficients a_1 , b_1 , c_1 are determined by the equation:

$$\begin{cases} a_{1} = \frac{\partial F(0, R, 0)}{\partial x} = 0\\ b_{1} = \frac{\partial F(0, R, 0)}{\partial y} = \frac{2}{R \sin^{2} \gamma}\\ c_{1} = \frac{\partial F(0, R, 0)}{\partial z} = \frac{2 \tan \psi \cos \gamma}{R \sin^{2} \gamma} \end{cases}$$
(9)

(10)

The parametric equation of the normal to the hyperboloid one sheet at point A is:



Fig 3. Geometry of the cutter and scheme determination of chip thickness

The normal of the hyperboloid of one sheet is in the coordinate plane zOy. An angle ε between line segment AI and the normal of the hyperboloid of one sheet n is determined by the formula:

$$\tan \varepsilon = \cos \gamma \cdot \tan \psi \tag{11}$$

When milling wood with a curved profile cutter, the chip thickness at position i is determined by the formula:

$$a = S_z \cdot \sin \varphi \cdot \cos \varepsilon_i \tag{12}$$

where $\tan \varepsilon_i = \cos \gamma_i \cdot \tan \psi_i$ and ψ_i is the angle of inclination of the cutter profile, which is determined at position *i* on the tip of the cutter blade; γ_i is front angle of the cutter at *i*.

2.2 SURFACE WAVINESS HEIGHT AND CUTTING LENGTH L

The path of the milling tool during cutting in Fig. 1 is a cycloidal line. This equation of the cycloid line is [5, 20]:

$$\begin{cases} x = R \sin \varphi \pm \frac{S_z}{\varphi_z} \varphi \\ y = R(1 - \cos \varphi) \end{cases}$$
(13)

where φ_z is the angle between the milling blades and $\varphi_z = 2\pi/z$. From Fig. 1, we deduce the formula:

$$\sin\varphi_0 = S_z/2R \tag{14}$$

Since the angle φ_0 is small, we get an approximate $\varphi_0 = S_z/2R$.

The arc cutting length is determined by the following formula:

$$l = R\left(1 + \frac{S_z^2}{2R^2\varphi_z^2}\right)(\varphi + \varphi_0) + \pm \frac{S_z}{\varphi_z}(\sin\varphi + \sin\varphi_0)$$
(15)

because $\frac{S_z^2}{R^2 \varphi_z^2} \pm 2 \frac{S_z}{R \varphi_z} \cos \varphi$, φ and φ_0 are so small, we obtain an approximate estimate for arc cutting length as follows:

$$l = \left(R\left(1 + \frac{S_z^2}{2R^2\varphi_z^2}\right) \pm \frac{S_z}{\varphi_z}\right) + \frac{\left(S_z + 2\sqrt{2h(R-h)}\right)}{2R}$$
(16)

In practice, the cutting arc length is determined by the following approximate formula:

$$l = \sqrt{hD} \tag{17}$$

The surface waviness height of the processed surface is H_{max} , determined by the following formula:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{S_z}{2} = R \sin \varphi_0 \pm \frac{S_z}{\varphi_z} \varphi_0 \\ H_{max} = (1 - \cos \varphi_0) \end{cases}$$
(18)

Since the angle φ_0 is small, we approximate $\varphi_0 = \sin \varphi_0$. Substituting into the above system of equations, we determine the surface waviness height H_{max} :

$$H_{max} = \left(1 - \cos\left(\frac{\pi S_Z}{2\pi R \pm S_Z z}\right)\right) \tag{19}$$

We use the formula of cutting length L (m):

$$L = l \frac{l_w}{s_z} \tag{20}$$

where l_w is the experimental length of wood samples, (m).

3. MATERIALS AND METHODS

3.1. DESIGN OPTIMIZATION PROBLEM

To solve a constrained nonlinear optimization problem in industry, there are many methods, such as the following: quadratic programming algorithm [21], convex programming method [22], penalty function method [23], Lagrange polynomial method [24], Kuhn-Tucker conditions [25], hill climbing algorithm, artificial neural networks [26], genetic algorithm, particle swarm [27, 28]. In mathematical optimization, the Kuhn-Tucker conditions are first derivative tests for a solution in nonlinear programming to be optimal, provided that some regularity conditions are satisfied. In this paper, among the constraints and objective functions of the optimization problems are the quadratic regression equations obtained from experiments. Therefore, if we use the Kuhn-Tucker conditions, then according to the partial derivative results, we get a system of first or second order equations and solve them easily. Initially, the constrained optimization problem is presented as follows:

Determine
$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$
 let $f(\mathbf{X})$ reach the minimum value.

Constraints are:

- $h_i(\mathbf{X}) \le 0$ with $i = 1, 2, ..., n_i$;
- $l_j(\mathbf{X}) = 0$ with $j = 1, 2, ..., n_j$.

We replace the constrained problem according to the Kuhn-Tucker conditions with the unconstrained optimization problem as follows:

$$K(\mathbf{X}, u, v) = f(\mathbf{X}) + \sum_{i=1}^{n_i} u_i h_i(\mathbf{X}) + \sum_{j=1}^{n_j} v_j l_j(\mathbf{X}) = 0$$
(21)

Taking partial derivatives with respect to d_i , u_j , v_k , we have a system of equations:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial K(\mathbf{X}, u, v)}{\partial \mathbf{X}} = 0\\ \frac{\partial K(\mathbf{X}, u, v)}{\partial u_i} = 0\\ \frac{\partial K(\mathbf{X}, u, v)}{\partial v_j} = 0 \end{cases}$$
(22)

From the initial database results, we proceed to build an optimization problem with the objective function being the smallest cutting power P or the highest machining productivity, but at the same time having to satisfy some constraint functions:

- Cutting power must be less than required power: $P \leq P_{req}$,
- Surface limits are created by cutting method:

$$2S_z^2 - k\rho D 10^{-3} \ge 0 \tag{23}$$

- The value range of tool tip radius: $4 \ \mu m \le \rho \le 43 \ \mu m$,
- Limited range of surface roughness: $R_z \le 70 \ \mu m$.

Surface limit constraint $2S_z^2 - k \cdot \rho \cdot D \cdot 10^{-3} \ge 0$ only ensures that during the cutting process there will be no tool slip on the surface, but does affect the surface roughness; so in the following cases, it can be overlooked.

After having the experimental planning value of R_z , the design of the problem of surface quality and machining productivity according to Kuhn–Tucker conditions is as follows:

Problem 1: Minimum cutting power *P* and roughness constraint $R_z \le 70 \,\mu\text{m}$.

Variable: feed per tooth S_z (mm), tool tip radius ρ (µm), depth of cut h (mm).

Objective function: Minimum cutting power P.

Constraints are:

• Limited range of roughness: $R_z \le 70 \ \mu m$,

• The value range of tool tip radius: $4 \ \mu m \le \rho \le 43 \ \mu m$.

Cutting power of chukrasia wood [29]:

$$P = S_{z} \cdot (70.28 - 50.24 \cdot S_{z} - 21.29 \cdot h + 2.131 \cdot \rho + 13.57 \cdot S_{z}^{2} + 3.39 \cdot h^{2} + 0.016 \cdot \rho^{2} + 5.366 \cdot S_{z} \cdot h - 0.6752 \cdot S_{z} \cdot \rho - 0.411 \cdot h \cdot \rho)/60000$$
(24)

Problem 2: The highest machining productivity with roughness constraint $R_z \le 70 \ \mu\text{m}$ and cutting power $P \le P_{\text{req}}$.

In the problem of machining productivity, the increase in productivity corresponds to an increase in the volume of material removal, which is closely related to the speed of inserting the workpiece into the machine, so:

• Variable: feed per tooth S_z (mm), tool tip radius ρ (μ m),

• Objective function: Feeding speed $u = S_z \cdot n \cdot z/1000$ reaches the maximum value. Constraints are:

- Cutting power: $P \le P_{\text{max}} = P_{\text{req}}$ or $P P_{\text{req}} \le 0$,
- Limited range of roughness: $R_z \le 70 \ \mu m$,
- The value range of tool tip radius: $4 \ \mu m \le \rho \le 43 \ \mu m$.

Problem 3: The lowest processing cost with constraint $R_z \le 70 \,\mu\text{m}$, low power loss and high machining productivity.

The processing cost *K* is determined as follows [30]:

$$K = K_{ML}\tau_0 + K_d \frac{\tau_c}{\tau} \tag{25}$$

where: K_{ML} is machine depreciation coefficient and cost for operative employees; τ_0 is basic cutting time; K_d is costs associated with one tool change; τ_c/T is the number of knife changes; T is tool service life.

Objective function: Basic cutting time reaches minimum value:

$$\tau_0 = \frac{L}{u} \rightarrow \text{minimum}$$
(26)

where τ_0 is basic cutting time when milling (min); *u* is feeding speed (m/min) $u = n \cdot z \cdot S_z/1000$; *L* is machining length (m).

Machining length L is calculated by the formula of tool tip radius ρ :

$$\rho = \rho_0 + \Delta \rho \tag{27}$$

 $\rho = 4.96 \cdot L^{0.43} + 4$ for alloy steel (8Cr6NiWT)

 $\rho = 2.83 \cdot L^{0.41} + 4$ for carbide WCCO6

Assuming we use an alloy steel cutting tool, then the objective function is the basic cutting time when milling τ_0 at the tooltip radius ρ is:

$$\tau_0 = \frac{\sqrt[0.43]{\frac{\rho - \rho_0}{4.96}}}{n \cdot z \cdot S_z} \tag{28}$$

Variable: feed per tool S_z (mm), tool tip radius ρ (μ m) Constraints are:

- Cutting power *P* lowercase
- High productivity (high feeding speed *u*)
- Limited range of roughness $R_z \le 70 \ \mu m$
- The value of tool tip radius 4 μ m $\leq \rho \leq$ 43 μ m

3.2. RESPONSE SURFACE DESIGNS METHODS AND MATERIALS

Based on the experimental results of 3 values: coefficient *k*, power *P* and roughness R_z , we design the optimization problem. Power *P* is determined by Formula (24), depending on the following factors: feed per tooth S_z (mm), depth of cut *h* (mm), tool tip radius ρ (μ m). The coefficient *k* determines the chip forming region [20], depending on the factors: S_z (mm), ρ (μ m), and cutting diameter *D* (mm).

Since all response surface designs, including 3^k , Box-Behnken, *D*-optimal, and Central Composite Design (FCCCD, Box-Wilson, Box-Hunter), deliver models with main effects, two-factor interactions, and quadratic terms, other criteria which the models can be fitted must be considered in deciding which design should be used for a response surface experiment. There are three criteria employed to compare the design families, i.e. the number of observations in the design and the number of error degrees of freedom, the number of levels required for each design variable and the safety of the highest and lowest variable levels. The accuracy of the mathematical model is determined by the variance of the regression equation coefficients and the experimental results. Thus, from the experimental point of view, the best planning is the one that allows obtaining a regression model with the smallest value of variance [32]. In this paper, we use the FCCCD method for experimental study of surface roughness R_z because we perform less than N experiments and each factor uses only 3 levels of values and the obtained regression equation ensures accuracy and compatibility. This method has been used by Nguyen [29, 31, 32] and Hazir [33].

After examining previous studies, the surface roughness R_z depends mainly on the following factors: feed per tooth S_z (mm), tool tip radius ρ (µm), rake angle γ (°), grain deviation angle ψ_C (°), blade inclination angle ψ (°). In addition to grain deviation angle ψ_C for the studying the longitudinal (parallel) to tangential (radial) milling of wood grain, the value of the angle ψ of inclination is given in the research with the purpose to study the process of planar, angular and profile milling wood materials. The experiment was performed on milling machine and a H350 double-sided planer and the subject machining was chukrasia wood. The cutting directions during machining in the paper is conventional milling (Fig. 1).

With 5 factors, the required numbers N = 44 of experimental points were determined (Table 3) for FCCCD ($2^5 = 32$ corner points, 2.5 = 10 axial points and 2 center points). In each experiment we have to repeat n times. To determine the number of replicates for each experiment, we conducted separate experiments of machining surface roughness and n = 8 being determined. The mechanical properties of machining tropical woods are for experiment materials – chukrasia (Table 1):

Material	Density (kg/m ³)	Tensile strength σ_T (MPa)	Compressive strength σ_c (MPa)	Flexion strength $\sigma_F(MPa)$
Chukrasia tabularis var attopenesis	600–810	2.8	44.7	118

Table 1. Mechanical properties of chukrasia wood

In the wood milling principle diagram shown in Fig. 1, we assume the width of workpiece b = 40 mm, the milling cutter diameter D = 2R = 180 mm, the depth of cut h = 1...3 mm, the number of knives z = 6 (Fig. 4). From these data, we can calculate spindle speed *n*, cutting speed v and cutting power *P*.



Fig. 4. Cutting process (a) and milling cutter (b)

The experiment was conducted with the spindle speed n = 6000 rpm, peripheral velocity v = 52 m/s and $P = P_{\text{motor}} = 15$ kW, and the cutter material is 8Cr6NiWT steel, hardness after annealing HB $\cdot 10^{-1} = 241$ MPa.

С	Si	Mn	Ni	S	Р	Cr	V	Ti	Cu	Fe
0.8–0.9	0.1–0.4	0.15-0.45	0.9–1.3	≤0.03	≤0.03	5–6	0.3–0.5	0.05-0.15	≤0.3	Remaining

4. RESULTS AND THEIR ANALYSIS

4.1. THE REGRESSION EQUATION OF SURFACE ROUGHNESS

For the surface roughness R_z value, it is planned according to the level and value of the factors table (Table 2), and the experimental results are shown in Table 3.

Factor		Intornal			
Factor	Code	Low -1	Medium 0	High +1	mervar
Feed per tooth S_z , mm	X1	0.39	0.96	1.53	0.57
Tool tip radius ρ , μ m	X ₂	4	23.5	43	19.5
Rake angle <i>y</i> ,degree	X 3	12	24	36	12
Grain deviation angle ψ_C , degree	X 4	0	45	90	45
Blade inclination angle ψ , degree	X5	0	45	90	45

Table 2. Level and value of factors

The profilometer (Mitutoyo SJ-301) is used to measure wood surface roughness R_z after machining (Fig. 5).

Using Minitab software to process the experimental results and analyzing the variance of the regression equation, we finally get the regression equation R_z as follows:

 $R_{zmax} = 122.38 - 92.9S_Z - 0.59\rho - 0.76\gamma - 1.163\psi_C - 1.9513\psi + 34.64S_Z^2 + 0.00246\rho^2 - 0.0022\gamma^2 + 0.009718\psi_C^2 + 0.011205\psi^2 + 0.5716S_Z\rho + 0.0286S_Z\gamma + 1.3438S_Z\psi_C + 1.0228S_Z\psi + 0.01632\rho\gamma + 0.007021\rho\psi_C - 0.004931\rho\psi - 0.006847\gamma\psi_C + 0.023359\gamma\psi - 0.000661\psi_C\psi$ (29)

In the case of 2 or 4-sided planer along wood grain with a flat profile (longitudinal milling) $\psi_C = \psi = 0$, we have the following formula for determining surface roughness:

$$R_{\text{zmax}} = 122.38 - 92.9S_Z - 0.59\rho - 0.76\gamma + 34.64S_Z^2 + 0.00246\rho^2 - 0.0022\gamma^2 + 0.5716S_Z\rho + 0.0286S_Z\gamma + 0.01632\rho\gamma$$
(30)



Fig. 5. Profilometer for measurement of surface roughness (a) and indicator (b)

Ν]	Factor	r		Experimental results						Regression		
	S_z	ρ	γ	ψ_C	ψ	R_{zl}	R_{z2}	$R_{z\beta}$	R_{z4}	R_{z5}	R_{z6}	R_{z7}	R_{z8}	R_z
1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	73.1	74.9	76.8	82.1	78.2	77.3	77.7	73.5	81.462
2	+1	-1	-1	-1	-1	61.5	60.5	63.4	62.1	62.4	67.4	57.4	60.5	54.359
3	-1	+1	-1	-1	-1	78.2	77.3	77.7	74.9	73.5	77.7	84.1	72.7	79.277
4	+1	+1	-1	-1	-1	70.1	77.6	80.9	76.7	74.3	80.9	73.4	67.7	77.589
5	-1	-1	+1	-1	-1	53.1	58.8	58.8	62.1	60.7	59.7	58.3	54.1	62.520
6	+1	-1	+1	-1	-1	41.1	35.4	39.6	39.1	50.1	38.2	36.8	40.1	36.200
7	-1	+1	+1	-1	-1	70.6	74.4	73.9	75.3	68.7	73.9	71.1	74.8	75.609
8	+1	+1	+1	-1	-1	71.1	75.7	74.8	76.7	78.1	84.8	64.3	72.4	74.703
9	-1	-1	-1	+1	-1	96.6	101.3	100.4	87.7	89.6	91.9	105.2	99.4	97.804
10	+1	-1	-1	+1	-1	193.9	206.6	189.1	199.6	211.3	216.9	202.8	211.3	208.578
11	-1	+1	-1	+1	-1	131.7	124.6	119.9	123.2	119.5	126.5	123.7	120.5	120.262
12	+1	+1	-1	+1	-1	254.6	268.9	246.7	258.9	256.1	259.3	252.8	249.9	256.450
13	-1	-1	+1	+1	-1	56.7	65.1	67.9	68.9	73.1	67.5	76.4	65.6	64.073
14	+1	-1	+1	+1	-1	157.8	164.3	187.1	177.7	180.9	169.1	167.2	175.2	175.630
15	-1	+1	+1	+1	-1	104.5	103.9	115.9	102.2	107.8	108.7	104.4	104.5	101.804
16	+1	+1	+1	+1	-1	225.5	245.1	241.6	236.9	239.2	238.8	234.6	236.5	238.775
17	-1	-1	-1	-1	+1	51.1	52.4	60.4	63.7	54.8	53.4	63.7	53.4	55.955
18	+1	-1	-1	-1	+1	111.1	129.3	131.2	120.1	122.7	131.2	119.3	121.8	133.792
19	-1	+1	-1	-1	+1	36.7	30.9	45.1	49.5	42.8	37.1	39.5	48.4	36.463
20	+1	+1	-1	-1	+1	150.1	143.3	145.8	128.6	149.1	144.1	128.2	142.4	139.714
21	-1	-1	+1	-1	+1	87.1	99.2	90.8	96.4	94.5	88.9	95.9	95.9	87.468
22	+1	-1	+1	-1	+1	161.2	163.7	171.4	156.2	157.8	170.5	168.8	162.1	166.088
23	-1	+1	+1	-1	+1	71.4	75.3	90.5	88.1	86.3	74.5	90.1	78.7	83.249
24	+1	+1	+1	-1	+1	175.1	191.2	180.1	188.6	183.3	195.2	194.3	196.1	187.283
25	-1	-1	-1	+1	+1	66.4	76.7	56.4	76.4	66.4	66.4	71.3	59.6	66.946
26	+1	-1	-1	+1	+1	284.2	291.4	298.2	291.2	281.4	301.2	287.3	299.3	282.659
27	-1	+1	-1	+1	+1	58.9	61.7	73.2	75.3	68.3	66.4	76.3	57.9	72.096
28	+1	+1	-1	+1	+1	320.3	317.8	317.8	298.2	301.6	311.8	313.5	314.4	313.223
29	-1	-1	+1	+1	+1	84.6	76.7	89.3	76.2	79.5	87.5	77.6	77.1	83.670
30	+1	-1	+1	+1	+1	299.2	291.7	303.1	309.1	307.7	295.9	303.9	295.9	300.166
31	-1	+1	+1	+1	+1	95.9	88.9	116.6	111.9	94.1	106.7	106.3	97.8	104.093
32	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	337.1	350.2	359.6	364.9	350.2	337.5	350.2	365.7	346.003
33	-1	0	0	0	0	36.3	35.8	35.8	42.1	45.2	39.3	41.8	34.6	36.560
34	+1	0	0	0	0	137.1	145.6	135.2	138.1	143.2	146.5	139.5	139.5	143.964
35	0	-1	0	0	0	63.6	71.1	72.1	74.2	65.1	76.2	67.1	74.1	69.030
36	0	+1	0	0	0	85.2	85.3	89.9	90.9	86.8	83.8	87.6	97.5	90.856
37	0	0	-1	0	0	81.2	77.1	80.3	81.2	75.3	86.2	85.1	73.2	75.234
38	0	0	+1	0	0	59.9	74.1	81.1	80.1	77.7	81.5	82.1	74.4	82.153
39	0	0	0	-1	0	65.5	58.9	60.3	54.2	60.8	60.8	58.4	60.8	54.921
40	0	0	0	+1	0	143.7	152.6	136.6	133.8	131.7	129.1	126.7	136.5	142.453
41	0	0	0	0	-1	78.8	87.7	87.2	89.2	85.4	87.8	84.4	86.3	81.269
42	0	0	0	0	+1	114.5	114.9	103.2	118.7	132.3	114.1	117.3	116.8	122.130
43	0	0	0	0	0	81.1	83.1	85.2	79	90.3	74	82.2	82	79.009
44	0	0	0	0	0	80	81	80.2	79.4	80.4	84.2	76.2	80.2	79.009

Table 3. Design matrix and experimental results

For testing the lack of fit in regression, we performed the ANOVA technique for the significance of regression or *R*-square test (*R*-square = 99.18%). With the ANOVA technique, the regression model is assumed to stay fit as long as the calculated value of the F-ratio of the developed model does not exceed the standard tabulated value of F-ratio for a desired confidence level (Table 4).

Term.	Coef.	SE Coef.	T – value	P-value	VIF
Constant	79.009	0.898	87.95	0.000	
S_z	53.702	0.444	120.84	0.000	1.00
ρ	10.913	0.444	24.56	0.000	1.00
γ	3.460	0.444	7.78	0.000	1.00
ψ_C	43.766	0.444	98.48	0.000	1.00
ψ	20.431	0.444	45.97	0.000	1.00
$S_z * S_z$	11.25	1.65	6.81	0.000	3.14
$\rho^*\rho$	0.93	1.65	0.57	0.572	3.14
γ*γ	-0.32	1.65	-0.19	0.849	3.14
$\psi_C^*\psi_C$	19.68	1.65	11.91	0.000	3.14
$\psi^*\psi$	22.69	1.65	13.73	0.000	3.14
$S_z * \rho$	6.354	0.458	13.87	0.000	1.00
$S_z * \gamma$	0.196	0.458	0.43	0.669	1.00
$S_z^*\psi_C$	34.469	0.458	75.25	0.000	1.00
$S_z^*\psi$	26.235	0.458	57.27	0.000	1.00
$\rho^*\gamma$	3.818	0.458	8.34	0.000	1.00
$\rho^*\psi_C$	6.161	0.458	13.45	0.000	1.00
$\rho^*\psi$	-4.327	0.458	-9.45	0.000	1.00
$\gamma^*\psi_C$	-3.697	0.458	-8.07	0.000	1.00
$\gamma^*\psi$	12.614	0.458	27.54	0.000	1.00
$\psi_C^*\psi$	-1.338	0.458	-2.92	0.004	1.00

Table 4. Testing lack of fit and analysis of regression equation

In the case of $\psi_C = \psi = 0$, $\gamma = 12^{\circ}$ and the machining roughness $R_z \le 70 \mu m$, we have a graph of surface plot and contour lines as shown in Fig. 6.



Fig. 6. Plot of surface roughness region in the case of $\psi_C = \psi = 0$ and $\gamma = 12^{\circ}$

4.2. OPTIMAL CALCULATION RESULTS

Problem 1: Minimum cutting power *P* and roughness constraint $R_z \le 70 \,\mu\text{m}$.

With known values of D = 180 mm, h = 2 mm, n = 6000 rpm, z = 4, b = 200 mm, in the case of the rake angle $\gamma = 12^{\circ}$, according to the Kuhn–Tucker conditions in Formula 22, to find the optimal solution, we need to find the solution for the following system of equations:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial P}{\partial S_z} + u_1 \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial S_z} + u_2 \frac{\partial h_2}{\partial S_z} + u_3 \frac{\partial h_3}{\partial S_z} = 0\\ \frac{\partial P}{\partial \rho} + u_1 \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial \rho} + u_2 \frac{\partial h_2}{\partial \rho} + u_3 \frac{\partial h_3}{\partial \rho} = 0\\ u_1 h_1 = u_1 (70 - R_z) = 0\\ u_2 h_2 = u_2 (\rho - 4) = 0\\ u_3 h_3 = u_3 (43 - \rho) = 0 \end{cases}$$
(31)

After solving and removing the imaginary solutions, we obtain the accepted solutions and regions as shown in Fig. 7. Considering the planning region 0.39 mm $\leq S_z \leq 1.53$ mm, in Fig. 7, only 3 solutions: $S_z = 0.5942$ mm, $S_z = 0.6965$ mm and $S_z = 1.2659$ mm are satisfied. However, to ensure the tool life and then 4 µm $\leq \rho \leq 43$ µm, S_z changes from 0.6965 mm to 1.2659 mm as the curve $\rho = 43$ µm in Fig. 8.

Problem 2: The highest productivity with roughness constraint $R_z \le 70 \ \mu\text{m}$ and cutting power $P \le P_{\text{req}}$

With parameters the same as those in problem 1 and $P_{req} = 13$ kW, according to Kuhn-Tucker conditions in Formula 22, we have a system of equations:



Fig. 7. Area of solution points of problem 1 with constraint $R_z \le 70 \,\mu\text{m}$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial S_{z}} + u_{1} \frac{\partial h_{1}}{\partial S_{z}} + u_{2} \frac{\partial h_{2}}{\partial S_{z}} + u_{3} \frac{\partial h_{3}}{\partial S_{z}} + u_{4} \frac{\partial h_{4}}{\partial S_{z}} = 0\\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial \rho} + u_{1} \frac{\partial h_{1}}{\partial \rho} + u_{2} \frac{\partial h_{2}}{\partial \rho} + u_{3} \frac{\partial h_{3}}{\partial \rho} + u_{4} \frac{\partial h_{4}}{\partial \rho} = 0\\ u_{1}(P_{m} - P) = 0\\ u_{2}(70 - R_{z}) = 0\\ u_{3}(\rho - 4) = 0\\ u_{4}(43 - \rho) = 0 \end{cases}$$
(32)

After solving and removing the imaginary solutions, we get the solution and the optimal parameter region as shown in Fig. 9.



Fig. 8. Optimal power region (9.581...12.58 kW) of problem 1



Fig. 9. Optimal region of problem 2 with constraint $P_{req} = 9.581$ kW

Problem 3: The lowest processing cost with constraint $R_z \le 70 \mu m$, low power loss and high productivity.

With known values of n = 6000 rpm, z = 6, b = 200 mm, $\rho_0 = 4 \ \mu\text{m}$, $\psi_C = \psi = 0$, $\gamma = 12^0$. The value of feeding speed ranges from 14.04 m/min to 55.08 m/min (according to the formula $u = n \cdot z \cdot S_z$ corresponding to S_z varying from 0.39 mm to 1.53 mm). The graph of the cutting time τ_0 is a curve according to Formula 28, reaching the value τ_0 at $\rho = 43 \ \mu\text{m}$ and constraints shown in Fig. 10.

Considering the condition of minimum cutting power: When the curve $\tau = 19800$ min at the $R_z \le 70$ µm section, the feed per tooth will change in the range of 0.645 mm $\le S_z \le 1.2659$ mm and tool tip radius ρ will change in the range of 33.5 µm $\le \rho \le 43$ µm (line 1 in Fig. 10):

- Section 1: In the region of 4 μ m $\leq \rho \leq 33.5 \mu$ m, the ideal machining line will run in a straight line at the same value of $S_z = 0.645$ mm. Then the cutting time τ_0 will change continuously in the interval of 0 min $\leq \tau_0 \leq 19800$ min.
- Section 2: In the region of 33.5 μ m $\leq \rho \leq 43 \mu$ m, the ideal machining path will follow the line $\tau = 19800$ min.
- Considering the condition of the highest productivity: The greater the machining productivity, the larger the S_z value (because the feeding speed u is directly proportional to the feed per tooth S_z). When combined with the minimum cutting time τ_0 ($\tau = 19800$ min) and roughness $R_z \le 70$ µm constraint, the best machining parameter in this problem is line 2 as shown in Fig. 10.
- Line 2: In this case, the productivity will be optimal, the S_z value must be changed continuously to ensure that $R_z \le 70 \ \mu\text{m}$. In the region of 31.51 $\ \mu\text{m} \le \rho \le 43 \ \mu\text{m}$, the ideal machining path will follow a curve close to the $R_z = 70 \ \mu\text{m}$ region; and in the region 4 $\ \mu\text{m} \le \rho \le 31.51 \ \mu\text{m}$, the ideal machining path will be machined with the same feed per tooth value $S_z = 1.53 \ \text{mm}$.
- In addition, we can choose the parameters in the allowable region (hatch area) while ensuring the roughness is within the allowable range $R_z \le 70 \,\mu\text{m}$, power $P \le 13 \,\text{kW}$ and lower than the motor power. Then, the larger S_z , the higher productivity.



Fig. 10. Ideal machining path for minimum cutting power or highest productivity of problem 3

5. CONCLUSIONS

The paper presents issues related to theoretical and experimental bases when milling wood. The theoretical part presents the basic content of surface shaping when milling to shape wood, determining chip thickness, cutting length, and undulating height when milling tropical wood materials. The relevant experimental part uses the response surface methods to determine the surface roughness R_z when machining tropical wood, which depends on many

factors: feed per tooth S_z , tool tip radius ρ , rake angle γ , grain deviation angle ψ_C , blade inclination angle ψ . From that, it is possible to determine the region of geometric parameters and work when milling wood so that the roughness is within the given range $R_z \leq 70 \ \mu m$ corresponding to the semi-finished milling method.

The authors used the constrained nonlinear optimization problem solving method to find a reasonable cutting mode that ensures the surface roughness in the given range, minimum power and the highest productivity for tropical wood materials – chukrasia, such as:

- The minimum cutting power *P* with the roughness constraint $R_z \le 70 \,\mu\text{m}$, the range of values of parameters such as the feed per tooth S_z and tool tip radius ρ , as shown in Fig. 7 and 9.
- The highest productivity with constraint $R_z \le 70 \ \mu\text{m}$ and power $P \le P_{\text{req}}$: define the region of parameters as feed per tooth S_z and tool tip radius ρ with required cutting power $P_{\text{req}} = 9.581 \ \text{kW}$ as Fig. 10.
- The optimal machining path for the problem of determining the minimum cost is the basis for adjusting the feeding speed u depending on time *t*. It supports the process of controlling wood milling machines or woodworking CNC machines by milling method.

The content of the paper provides data to design the wood milling machines and cutting tools, especially woodworking CNC machines, with the target of yielding the highest productivity and the least energy consumption, yet still ensuring the desired surface quality.

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