Growth Pattern of Skipjack Tuna (Katsuwonus Pelamis) Landed in PPI Kedonganan Bali

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Abstract
Skipjack Tuna (Katsuwonus Pelamis) is one of the big pelagic fish in fishery resources that has high economic value and plays an important role in export activity in Indonesia. Catch activities for consumption needs for people could threatened of Skipjack Tuna availability. The growth pattern of Skipjack Tuna is needed to used as references for the appropriate management plan to protect Skipjack Tuna. The research was conducted from February to April 2017 at PPI Kedonganan, Kuta District, Badung, Bali. The fish were collected by simple random sampling method. This study showed that gillnet and handline were used as fishing gears. The length frequency distributions were in the long-range of 315-337 mm means the catch fish is still young. The growth pattern of Skipjack Tuna was negative allometric means length growth was faster than weight growth. The growth parameters of Skipjack Tuna were obtained by the asymptotic length (L_{inf}) of 875.2 mm, growth coefficient (K) of 0.09, and theoretical age (t_0) of -0.78. Skipjack Tuna have small body size with condition factors were ranged from 0.8783-1.7269. Data that has been used to determine the appropriate management efforts.

Keywords: skipjack tuna; Kedonganan Fish Landing Base; length; weight; growth.

1. Introduction
Skipjack Tuna (Katsuwonus Pelamis) is belong to the Scombridae family located in all of tropical and subtropical oceans (Tilohe et al., 2014). Fish Skipjack is one type of fishery resources that play an important role in the export activities in Indonesia and as ingredients of domestic consumption.
(Budiasih et al., 2015). The distribution area of Skipjack Tuna in Indonesian waters is quite wide and spread out all across Indonesian waters. The area were included Indian Ocean waters (including West Sumatra waters, South Java waters, Bali and Nusa Tenggara), East Indonesia waters (including Cellebes Sea, Mollucas, Arafuru, Banda, Flores and Makassar Straits) and Pasific Ocean waters (North Irian Jaya waters) with the largest dispersal area around the equator (Uktolseja et al., 1989). Skipjack Tuna distribution are so wide that it lead to the high production of Indonesian capture fisheries. It can be influence the economic growth rate in marine and fisheries sector. In order to meet the market demand, people keep on fish continuously which lead to high exploitation. Therefore, protection of Skipjack Tuna that still available in nature are urgently needed. It can be conducted basicly by investigate the biological aspects of the fish with one of it is the fish growth.

PPI Kedonganan is one of the fish landing base in Bali Province. PPI Kedonganan located at Kedonganan Beach, South Kuta District, Badung. It used as a place for fisheries resources management in Bali Province especially in the Southern Bali. Instead of being a place for fisheries resources management, PPI Kedonganan have traditional and modern fish market in the area.

This study was aimed to find the growth pattern of Skipjack Tuna (*Katsuwonus Pelamis*) based on length-weight relationship, length frequency distribution, condition factor and growth parameter and also to find the condition of Skipjack Tuna fishery at PPI Kedonganan. The result can be used as data base for a determinant plan of fisheries management efforts especially for Skipjack Tuna (*Katsuwonus Pelamis*) that landed at PPI Kedonganan Bali.

2. Research Method

2.1 Location and research time

The research was conducted at PPI Kedonganan, Kuta District, Badung, Bali. Data collection was done for three months, from February to April 2017 with data collection interval every two weeks. The data was collected from catch of Skipjack Tuna that landed in PPI Kedonganan.

![Figure 1. Research Location Map](image)

2.2 Materials

Measurement of fish length and weight was conducted in PPI Kedonganan directly. The research tools were using fabric meter with 0.1 cm accuracy, ruler, stationery, camera, white paper, base board and digital scale with 1 gram accuracy. Meanwhile, research materials used Skipjack Tuna from fisherman catch who landed at PPI Kedonganan.

2.3 Research time

The method used in this research was descriptive method with survey method for data collection. Descriptive method intend to explain or describe the facts that exist systematically, factually and accurately (Aji et al., 2013). There were two types of data used including, primary data and secondary data. Primary data is length and weight measurements of fish that were conducted at PPI Kedonganan, while secondary data is Skipjack Tuna catch production for the last 5 years was obtained from PPI Kedonganan database. Steps for sampling at PPI Kedonganan is describe as follow:

a. Fish Sampling

The fish were sample used simple random sampling method by taking out of Skipjack Tuna from some fish baskets randomly. The number of sampling fish were ± 60 specimens Skipjack Tuna for each sampling data.

b. Length and Weight Measurement

Skipjack Tuna samples were taken from PPI Kedonganan then measured its length and weight of those fish. The obtained data was used for the growth pattern of Skipjack Tuna. The length of the...
fish was measured from the tip of the snout to the end of the middle caudal fin (forked length/FL).

2.4 Data analysis

2.4.1. Length frequency distribution

Length frequency distribution data are collected from the length data of forked length of Skipjack Tuna. There are some steps to study length frequency distribution (Walpole, 1992) such as: by determined the number of required class interval; determined the territory; divided the territory with the number of classes to estimate the interval class width; determined the lower limit class for the first interval and then the lower limit class to get the upper limit class, then added the class width to the lower limit class to get the upper limit class; listed all class limits and limit class by adding class widths to limits and previous interval limits; determined the midpoint class for each interval by averaging the class limit; determined the frequency for each class; added up the frequency column then check if the result is equal to the total number of observations.

The determination of the number of classes can be calculated using the Sturges formula (Walpole, 1962):

\[ K = 1 + 3.32 \log n \]  

(1)

where \( K \) is total class; and \( n \) is total of data observation.

To calculate the range of data / region using the formula:

\[ \text{Range} = \text{max data} - \text{min data} \]  

(2)

To calculate interval class using the formula:

\[ \text{Interval} = \frac{\text{Range}}{\text{Total class}} \]  

(3)

2.4.2. Length weight relationship

Weights can be considered as a function of length. Length-weight relationship can be performed by the formula (Effendie, 2002):

\[ W = aL^b \]  

(4)

where \( W \) is weight (gram); \( L \) is forked length (millimeter); \( a \) and \( b \) are constants.

2.4.3. Growth parameters

The growth model associated with the length fish in which the formula is expressed by Von Bertalanffy, then called the Von Bertalanffy Model was (Sparre and Venema, 1999):

\[ L_t = L_{\infty} \left(1 - e^{-K(t-t_0)}\right) \]  

(5)

where \( L_t \) is length at age \( t \) (millimeter); \( t \) is observed age; \( L_{\infty} \) is length of oldest individuals in the stock (millimeter); \( K \) is constant parameter relating to the growth rate (years); and \( t_0 \) is theoretical age when the length= 0 (or in other words where the curve cuts the x-axis).

To find the value of \( L_{\infty} \) and \( K \) were using Ford-Walford method which is the growth transformation from Von Bertalanffy method. The equations are:

\[ L_{n+1} = L_{\infty} (1 - e^{-K}) + L_e e^{-K} \]  

(6)

The values of \( L_{\infty} \) and \( K \) using the following formula:

\[ L_{\infty} = \frac{a}{1 - b} \]  

(7)

\[ K = -\ln b \]  

(8)

To find the theoretical age (\( t_b \)) was using Pauly empirical equation (1984). The equations are:

\[ \log(-t_b) = -0.3922 - 0.2752 \log L_e - 1.038 \log K \]  

(9)

2.4.4. Condition factor

The condition factor was calculated based on the length and weight of the fish by using the following formula (Effendie, 2002). If the value of \( b = 3 \) (type of growth is isometric), then the formula was using:

\[ K = \frac{10^7W(\text{gram})}{L_e(\text{mm})} \]  

(10)

If the value of \( b \neq 3 \) (growth type is allometric), then the formula was using:

\[ K = \frac{W}{aL^b} \]  

(11)

where \( K \) is condition factor; \( W \) is weight (gram); \( L \) is length (millimeter); \( a \) and \( b \) are constants.
3. Results and Discussion

3.1 Condition of research location

PPI Kedonganan located at Kedonganan Village, South Kuta District, Badung Regency, Bali Province. PPI Kedonganan is under the working area of Marine and Fisheries Badung Regency Office. PPI Kedonganan is a trading place for fishery products from several Indonesian waters such as Southern Java, Lombok, Bali, and Indian Ocean. Instead of being trading place for fishery products, PPI Kedonganan also record the data of catch fisheries landed at PPI Kedonganan. The catch production data of Skipjack Tuna in PPI Kedonganan graph as shown below:

![Graph of Catch Fisheries Production at PPI Kedonganan](image)

Figure 2. Graph of Catch Fisheries Production at PPI Kedonganan

Catch production data in PPI Kedonganan have been recorded since 2011. It can be assumed that the recording of catch production data only available for the last 5 years (Ekawaty et al., 2015). In the graph above indicated the catch fisheries production at PPI Kedonganan in the last 5 (five) years. Skipjack Tuna (*Katsuwonus Pelamis*) is one of the most dominant catches in addition to other fish. Skipjack Tuna catch area which landed in PPI Kedonganan came from several different areas such as Southern Java, Lombok, Bali, Sulawesi and Indian Ocean.

3.2 Fishing gears

The fishing gear used to catch the Skipjack Tuna in PPI Kedonganan are gillnet and handline. The gillnet has a mesh size of 4 inches with length of 700 m with depth of 16 m. Meanwhile, the handline consists of hook, fishing lines and synthetic bait. This handline have 35 pieces hooks of 9 size with length of ± 70 m and depth of 30-60 m. The local name of this handline is known by local fishermen as a “pancing bulu” because it has synthetic bait that similar to chicken feathers or smooth raffia pieces.

3.3 Length frequency distribution

Total data of Skipjack Tuna have been observed as many as 318 specimens came from different catch areas. The fish sampling does not distinguish the sex of fish. The length frequency distribution was analyzed using Microsoft Excel 2013 software. The length frequency distribution of Skipjack Tuna graph as shown below:

![Graph of Distribution of Skipjack Tuna Length Frequency](image)

Figure 3. Graph of Distribution of Skipjack Tuna Length Frequency

In length frequency distribution of Skipjack Tuna graph was obtained the length of fish range from 292-521 mm where the highest length class was found in length class interval of 315-337 mm with the total fish of 78 specimens and the lowest length class was found in length class interval of 499-521 mm with the total fish of 3 specimens. Age group as many as 4 age groups. The results were different from the results of research was conducted by Baso (2017) in Bone Bay waters in the rumpon areas obtained by length frequency interval was dominated by the 502-522 mm with the total fish of 121 specimens and the lowest length class was found in length class interval of 422-442 mm with the total fish of 9 specimens. This size differences can occur because the Lm values is vary. Individuals who come from one age class or the same length class, do not always reach the first length of mature at the same size (Nurdin et al., 2012). Based on the Lm (first size mature) value of 410 mm or 41 cm...
(IOTC, 2016), the total of Skipjack Tuna caught and smaller than the size of the first mature is 272 specimens or 85%. It can be assumed that has been growth overfishing which is a fishing activity was conducted before the fish can grow to a size where further increase of growth will be able to make balance with the decrease of stock caused by natural mortality (example predation) (Zamani et al., 2011).

3.4 Length-weight relationship

Length-weight relationship of Skipjack Tuna were analyzed by using the length data in millimeter (mm) and the weight in gram (g). It was to showed the relation of length and weight of the Skipjack Tuna landed at PPI Kedonganan. Length-weight relationship was analyzed using Microsoft Excel 2013 software. The length-weight relationship of Skipjack Tuna graph as shown below:

![Graph of Relationship Length-Weight of Skipjack Tuna](image)

The observation result for length-weight relationship of Skipjack Tuna obtained through equation of \( W = 0.00008L^{2.7207} \) with the correlation determination \( (R^2) \) of 0.8526. This correlation determination \( (R^2) \) means the model represented real in nature of 85.2%. If the determination value is higher then the length-weight relationship is close (Muttaqin et al., 2016). After t-test, it resulted with thit > ttab in rejection \( H_0 \) so that the growth pattern of Skipjack Tuna is negative allometric with \( b \) value of 2.7207. Similar growth pattern of Skipjack Tuna was also obtained on Skipjack Tuna landed at Tulehu Ambon Port of negative allometric with \( b \) value of 2.751 (Nugraha et al., 2010), Prigi waters of East Java is negative allometric with \( b \) value of 2.733 (Nurdin et al., 2012). However, different research results were found in PPS Cilacap Central Java is isometric with \( b \) value of 3.0 (Satria, 2015) and positive allometric with \( b \) value of 3.1982 in PPN Palabuhanratu West Java (Fadhillah, 2010). The growth pattern of the Skipjack Tuna landed in PPI Kedonganan were not the same as the growth pattern in some areas of Indonesian waters. These was probably caused by the availability of food, climate, fishing grounds and the sex of fish. In addition, the size of fish samples can be affected by the results obtained. This is in accordance with the statement of Fuadi et al (2016) that differences in growth patterns can be due to the number and variation of different fish sizes observed. Length-weight relationship affect of Skipjack Tuna is also caused by several factors such as habitat, environment, season, type of food, mature gonad, health and sex (Hossain, 2010).

3.5 Growth parameters

Estimation of fish growth from body length and weight of individual that is to know growth rate of fish and to explain change amount of fish stock in nature caused by influence of catch fishery dynamics (Nursinar et al., 2015). Calculation of fish growth parameters using Ford-Walford and Von Bertalanffy method which were analyzed with Microsoft Excel 2013 software. The growth parameters of Skipjack Tuna graph as shown below:

![Graph of Skipjack Tuna Growth](image)

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Bone Bay waters in the rumpon areas obtained by the value of Skipjack Tuna growth parameter of asymptotic length (Linf) of 839.15 mm or 83.91 cm, growth coefficient (K) of 0.31589, and theoretical age (t0) of 0.34 with the growth equation obtained of Lt = 839.15 (1-e^{-0.31589(t+0.3474)}). The coefficient of Skipjack Tuna growth in PPI Kedonganan is smaller than growth coefficient in Baso research (2017). So it can be told that the growth of Skipjack Tuna was slowed. The K value indicate that speed of individual fish to achieve asymptotic length, so if the K value gets bigger then the asymptotic length value gets faster or the shorter the life of fish (Rochman et al, 2015). Different research of resulted in this research was possibility due to various factors affecting fish growth. The difference of the growth parameters (Linf and K) to the same fish species and different locations can be affected by environmental factors of each water such as food availability, water temperature, dissolved oxygen, fish size and gonad maturity (Jamal et al, 2011).

3.6 Condition factor

The condition factor is one of important things in growth. The condition factor indicated the state of fish viewed in physical capacity to survive and reproduce expressed in numeral based on length and weight data of the fish (Effendie, 2002). The condition factors value obtained during the research on each observation were fluctuated. The average value of the highest Skipjack Tuna condition factor was in the second observation of 1.72±0.14, whereas the average value of the lowest Skipjack Tuna condition factor was in the fifth observation of 0.87±0.06. The condition factor of Skipjack Tuna graph as shown in:

The average value of Skipjack Tuna condition factor ranged from 0.87-1.72 so it can be assumed that the Skipjack Tuna landed in PPI Kedonganan have small body size. Research was conducted by Anggraeni et al (2015) in PPP Sadeng Gunungkidul Regency of Yogyakarta obtained the average value of the condition factor of 1.20. Difference of condition factor values possibility caused by the fish samples have varying sizes and in this research the fish was not distinguished between male and female. In addition, the differences location waters affected the value of which condition factors when the food source in a high water then the value of the condition factor has increased. This is in accordance with Alamsyah et al (2013) statement that condition factor is influenced by index of gonad maturity, food, age of fish, sex and population density in waters.

3.7 Fisheries management

The results research of the Skipjack Tuna landed in PPI Kedonganan showed that condition the fish catch were caught in a still small and young. These can be seen from the frequency of Skipjack Tuna was the most widely caught by 272 specimens or 85%, which size is smaller than the size of the first Skipper Tuna mature of 410 mm or 41 cm (IOTC, 2016). While, the young Skipjack Tuna can be seen from the growth patterns obtained allometric negative. This research was conducted from February to April 2017 and the catch of Skipjack Tuna used in this research were classified as young fish. It can be assumed that this research was conducted during the fishing season when Skipjack Tuna was caught low (small and doing grow). According to Satria (2015), the catching season of Skipjack Tuna with low catch during January to May, while the catching season of Skipjack Tuna with high catch during June to October (peak in August to September). Therefore, it can be seen that the condition of Skipjack Tuna was landed in PPI Kedonganan Bali experience excess catching growth (growth overfishing).

Management of fishery resources needs to be performed to reduce the exploitation of fish, especially Skipjack Tuna landed in PPI Kedonganan. Skipjack Tuna production landed in PPI Kedonganan was high enough so that it can be assumed that demand of Skipjack Tuna always be every year. Some alternative efforts of fisheries management that can be performed in PPI...
Kedonganan Bali is effort control of Skipjack Tuna to reduce the catch of immature Skipjack Tuna such as establishing catch size above 41 cm, arrange fishing grounds means do not catch in spawning ground, limit the number of catch, and do not add new fleet to catch Skipjack Tuna. In addition, the role and self-awareness of fisheries is needed to realize sustainable fisheries development.

4. Conclusion
The highest length frequency distribution of Skipjack Tuna was obtained in the length class interval of 315-337 mm. Total of Skipjack Tuna caught and smaller than the size of the first mature gonad (41 cm) is 272 specimens or 85%. The growth pattern of Skipjack Tuna landed in PPI Kedonganan Bali was allometric negative means length growth was faster than weight growth with the growth equation of $W = 0.0000L^{2.7207}$. The growth equation of Von Bertalanffy on Skipjack Tuna was $L_t = 875.2 (1-e^{t-0.09 (t-0.78)})$ with asymptotic length (Linf) of 875.2 mm, growth coefficient ($K$) of 0.09, and age theoretical ($t_0$) of -0.78. Skipjack Tuna have small body size with condition factors were ranged from 0.8783-1.7269. Fishery condition of Skipjack Tuna have excessive growth overfishing. Some alternative efforts of fisheries management for growth overfishing conditions were efforts controls of Skipjack Tuna to reduce the catching of immature Skipjack Tuna such as establishing catch size above 41 cm, arrange fishing grounds means do not catch in spawning ground, limiting the number of catches, and do not add new fleets to catch Skipjack Tuna.

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