The Composition, Size Distribution and Growth Patterns of *Penaeus monodon* and *P. merguiensis* at the Estuary of Tukad Aya, Jembrana Bali

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**Abstract.** Estuary ecosystem has an important role in supporting the life of shrimp. High productivity and the availability of natural food in the estuary ecosystem, will indirectly affect the growth of shrimp. *Penaeus monodon* and *P. merguiensis* were two species of shrimp that had economic value with high demand. The purpose of this study was to determine the biological aspects of *Penaeus monodon* and *P. merguiensis* shrimp at estuary of Tukad Aya, Bali. Data collection was carried out in February-March 2019 using quantitative descriptive research methods. The determination of the research station was done by purposive sampling. The results showed the total number of shrimps were caught 1,756 individuals, which consist of *Penaeus monodon* 151 individuals, *P. merguiensis* 224 individuals and 1,325 individuals of other shrimp. The composition of *Penaeus monodon* (8.6%) was less than *P. merguiensis* (12.76%). Shrimp length measurements were divided into 9 groups with a range of values 55.15-189.95 mm in *Penaeus monodon* and 31.3-140.1 mm in *P. merguiensis*. The results of the length and the weight regression in both species of shrimp obtained the value of b <3 so that the growth pattern of shrimp was categorized as negative allometric where length growth was faster than weight gain.

**Keywords:** shrimp; composition; size distribution; growth patterns

I. INTRODUCTION

The estuary area is a region that is heavily influenced by the interaction between the land processes, rivers, and oceans [1]. The high productivity and the availability of natural food on the estuary ecosystem will indirectly affect the growth of shrimp. Shrimp growth can be seen from the increase in length or weight at a time. Shrimp is an economical biota which is the main commercial, one of the shrimp from genus of the Penaedae consisting of tiger shrimp (*P. monodon*) and white shrimp (*P. merguiensis*) [2]. As one of the economical food that resulted in the capture of this species, in Ministry of Marine Affairs and Fisheries [3] showed the number of *P. merguiensis* catches increased in the year 2008 by 73,870 tons to 87,405 tons in 2012. The increased arrest also occurred on the commodity *P. monodon*, 2008 years of the arrest reached 26.492 tons and in 2012 reached 27.959 tons.

The capture activity affects the population’s condition of shrimp in nature. The population condition of a species can be known through morphological measurements [4]. Morphometric is one way to determine the diversity of a species by testing the character of the morphology in general [5]. Morphometric studies can be used to describe the character of a population, evaluation of the population structure for stock identification, identification of differences between populations [6], as well as for the exploitation and management of a Species [7].

Research on morphometric can also uncover the interrelated between body parts such as length and weight in shrimp [8]. Morphometric measurement is a better technique to distinguish the body shape in the population [9]. A morphometric study of the Penaeid shrimps were indentifying on *P. monodon* [10] and *P. merguiensis* [11]. Since information about shrimp resources at estuary of Tukad Aya, Bali is still lacking, research on basic information on fisheries biology such as composition, size distribution and shrimp growth patterns needs to be done.

II. RESEARCH METHODS

**Time and Location of the Research**

The research time was conducted on February and March 2019. The research was located at Muara Tukad Aya, Tuwed Village, Melaya Sub District, Jembrana Regency, Bali. Shrimp sampling was done three times on 01 February 2019, 24 February 2019, and 13 March 2019. Samples were collected from three research stations consisting of upstream of estuary (Station I), open area of estuary (station II), closed area of estuary (Station III). The location map of each research station was shown in Figure 1.
Figure 1. Location of research station in Tukad Aya estuary

Tools and Materials
The tools used were shrimp catcher, Stationery, GPS (GARMIN, eTrex 10), Vernier Caliper, digital scales, cameras (SONY, A600), jars, and laptops. Material used was formalin 4%.

Shrimps Sampling Method
The sampling method used was simple random sampling [12]. The arrest of shrimp was done on the morning hours 05.30-08.00 WITA and afternoon at 16.00-19.00 WITA. Shrimp sample was inserted into the jar, then preserved with a 4% formalin. Specimens measured in the fisheries Laboratory of the Faculty of Marine and Fisheries of Udayana University

Shrimps Measurement Method
Measurements were conducted using a 0.05 mm precision caliper-length whereas the shrimp weight measurement used a 1 gram precision digital scale. Length measurements were done on the character length of the carapace (the distance from the posterior boundary of the head to the anterior of the first segment and total length), the total length (the distance from the anterior end of the rostrum to the posterior tail). Measurement of weights was carried out by inserting all parts of the shrimp body into the scales.

Data Analyses
Shrimp composition
Shrimp species composition is calculated using the formula by Fachrul (2007) [13].

\[ K_i = \left( \frac{n_i}{N} \right) \times 100\% \]

Where \( K_i \) is the i-th species composition (%); \( n_i \) is the number of individuals of species I (ind); \( N \) is the total number of individuals

Shrimp Size Distribution
Determination of length frequency data is done by determining the number of class, range of date, and interval length [14].

\[ K = 1 + \frac{3,322 \log N}{R - \text{Lowest value}} \]
\[ C_i = \frac{R}{\sum K} \]

Where \( K \) is the number of groups; \( N \) is the amount of data \( R \) is range of date; \( R \) is the data range; \( K \) is the number of groups; \( C_i \) is Interval length.

b. Growth patterns of Shrimps
To analyze the growth patterns of \textit{P. monodon} and \textit{P. merguiensis} the following formula was used [15].

\[ W = a L^b \]

Where, \( W \) is the weight of shrimp (gram); \( L \) is the length of the carapace (mm); \( a \) is an intercept (the intersection of the length and weight relationship curve with the y axis); \( b \) is a predictor of long-weight growth patterns. The growth pattern is determined by testing the value of \( b \) against value 3 through the \( t_{\text{test}} \) with a level of \( \alpha = 0.05 \). The \( t_{\text{count}} \) value is compared with the \( t_{\text{table}} \) (\( t_{a/2}; n-2 \) ) value. If the value \( t_{\text{count}} < t_{\text{table}} \), the \( H_0 \) decision is obtained with an indication of isometric growth pattern, where the length increase is equal or proportional to the weight gain. In the decision \( t_{\text{count}} > t_{\text{table}} \), the decision to reject \( H_0 \) received \( H_1 \) is obtained where the growth pattern is allometric. If the value of \( b > 3 \), the growth pattern is called positive allometric, and if the value of \( b < 3 \), then the growth pattern is negative allometric. The \( t_{\text{test}} \) is carried out using the formula:

\[ t_{\text{null}} = \frac{b - 3}{S_b} \]
\[ S_b = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n}(X_i - \bar{X})^2}{n - 1}} \]

Where \( t_{\text{count}} \) is the value of \( t_{\text{test}} \); \( b \) is a slope; \( S_b \) is the standard error of value \( b \)

III. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION
Composition of Shrimp
During the study, the species of shrimp found in the estuary Tukad Aya consist of five species. Based on composition analysis, the number of shrimp \textit{P. monodon} amounted to 8.6%, \textit{P. merguiensis} was 12.76%, \textit{Litopenaeus vannamei} was 4.21%, \textit{Metapenaeus} sp was 71.92% and \textit{Macrobdachium} sp. with a percentage value of 2.51%. Data showed that \textit{Metapenaeus} sp. was a species of shrimp that had the highest composition compared to other species. The lowest composition was found on the species \textit{Macrobdachium} sp. (Figure 3).

Shrimp Size Distribution
The results of the histogram analysis on the collected shrimp, presented in Figure 4. The distribution of both species of shrimp length was grouped into 9 groups. The highest number of individuals was at 69.25-84.25 mm class of \textit{P. monodon} and at 79.7-91.7 mm class of \textit{P. merguiensis}. The smallest \textit{P. monodon} shrimp size was...
55.15 mm while the largest was 189 mm. The smallest size of *P. merguiensis* was 31.3 mm, while the largest was 139 mm. It was found that the shrimp community at Tukad Aya were dominated by small shrimp or juvenile. Aya was allometrics, from a simple linear regression analysis showed that $b<3$, the growth was negative allometrics.

![Figure 3. Shrimp compositions in estuary of Tukad Aya](image)

**Growth Patterns of Shrimp**

Samples of *Penaeus monodon* collected from the station I acquired the long-weight relationship of individuals with the equation $W=0.0102L^{2.1788}$ with the value of $b=2.1788$, at station II $W=0.0022L^{2.573}$ with the value of $b=2.573$ and station III obtained $W=0.0007L^{2.9147}$ with the value of $b=2.9147$. The $t_{test}$, shown station I and II have $t_{count} > t_{table}$ means reject the $H_0$ and receive $H_1$, where the growth pattern was allometrics and with the value of $b<3$ indicated that the growth pattern was negative allometrics. The $t_{test}$ of station III showed that $t_{count} < t_{table}$ therefore receive $H_0$ and reject $H_1$, means that the growth pattern was isometric, where the increase of length followed with the increase of weight. Overall the length and weight relationship the tiger shrimps was shown in Figure 5.

The total samples collected from at the whole station was shown in Figure 6. Regression analysis obtained employing the equation $W=0.0034L^{2.4945}$ with the value of $b=2.4945$. The $t_{test}$ shown that the $t_{count} > t_{table}$ indicating that the growth pattern of *P. monodon* at estuary of Tukad

![Figure 4. Shrimp size distribution in Tukad Aya Estuary](image)

![Figure 5. Relationships between the length and the weight of Tiger shrimps at the estuary Tukad Aya in each station.](image)

![Figure 6. Relationships between the length and the weight of white shrimps at all stations.](image)

![Figure 7. Relationship length and weight of *Penaeus merguiensis* at the estuary Tukad Aya in each station.](image)
the growth pattern of *P. merguiensis* was alometric with the value of b<3, the growth pattern was negative alometric.

Overall the long and weight relationship of *Penaeus merguiensis* collected from the estuary of Tukad Aya shown in Figure 8. Equation obtained $W=0.0056L^{2.3501}$ with the value of $b=2.3501$, based on T test showed that the $t_{oaut}>t_{able}$ then reject $H_0$ and accept $H_1$, therefore the growth pattern was alometric, $b<3$ so that the growth pattern of *Penaeus merguiensis* was negative alometric.

**Discussion**

The composition of *P. monodon* and *P. merguiensis* was smaller than other shrimp catches. According to Sari et al. (2017) the differences between shrimp catches can be caused by a side capture [16]. The result of shrimp caught at the estuary of Tukad Aya was dominated by *Metapenaeus* sp. as much as 71.92% of the overall catch (Fig. 3). The same results were also found by Harlisa (2017) [17] who conducted research in Barru, South Sulawesi, where the most shrimps caught was *Metapenessaes* sp. Suprapto et al. (212) in his research also found that Crustacean composition across WPP (Fisheries Management Areas) in Indonesia spread over 25 species dominated by *Parapenaeopsis* spp., and *Metapenaeus* spp [18].

Based on 9 group size of *P. monodon*, the smallest shrimp size caught was 55.15 mm, while the largest was 189 mm. According to Slamet (1987), *P. monodon* can reach a length of 34 cm and weight 270 grams/ind. If they are allowed to grow in the wild can reach the length of 300 mm, but in a pond can only reach less than 200 mm [19]. It was explained that the entire *P. monodon* that was caught in February-March 2019 had not reached the maximum size compared to earlier studies found that length of *P. monodon* at estuary of Tukad Aya was 189 mm. The most widely found group was range between 69.25-84.25 mm consist of 33 individuals, so that the dominant shrimp were caught in the category of juvenile and adult shrimp. Similar to *P. monodon*, *P. merguiensis* based on 9 groups, the most groups were fallen in the range between 79.7-91.7 mm intervals, consist of 69 individuals. The most shrimp size was 31.3 mm, while the largest was 139 mm. Slamet [19] said that *P. merguiensis* can reach a length of 250 mm with a weight of 30 grams/ind. From the overall catch of *P. merguiensis* in the estuary of Tukad Aya had not reached the maximum size in the period of February-March 2019. Based on the research of Saputra et al. [20] in the waters of Cilacap, the smallest size length *P. merguiensis* found was 31 mm and the largest 61 mm. Kendal water, the size was varied, the smallest size was 80 mm and the largest was 151 mm, meanwhile form the tributaries the smallest size of shrimp caught was 107 mm and the largest was 120 mm, so the size of the shrimp caught in the estuary Tukad Aya had a larger size compared to the location the research except for the waters of Kendal [16].

The size of *P. monodon* and *P. merguiensis* caught in the estuary of Tukad Aya was varied, supposedly because the location of research was the estuary that was used as nursery and feeding ground for shrimp. The larva of shrimp migrates to the enlargement area in the coastal waters that were close to the estuary of the river and after growing up and reaching the mature size of the gonads will return to the sea to clusters [21][22]. Therefore, the size of the shrimp found in the estuary was dominated by young shrimps. Another thing that affects the size spread of shrimp in the estuary Tukad Aya are likely to be influenced by environmental factors, the size of the capture equipment net used and trip fishing shrimp. Similar finding was found in Tarakan, Kalimantan that the difference in the size of shrimps in the waters was likely influenced by environmental conditions, capture equipment and pressure catching [23]. In addition to the outside factors affecting the size of the captured shrimps, Rohim [24] in his research on the waters of the Estuarine Wildlife Sanctuary of Karang Gading found that the size difference of shrimp was also suspected because there were factors in the species of heredity, sexual and age.

Based on the analysis of the length and weight relationship of the *P. monodon* in each station showed that the growth pattern of *P. monodon* at the stations I and II was negative alometrics while station III was isometric. This, was due to difference in value b of length and weight regression result of shrimp. The value b<3 means the growth pattern was isometric, whereas when the value b was greater or smaller than 3, then the growth pattern was alometric [15].

Compared to other studies, the pattern of isometric growth on *P. monodon* was also found in the waters of Kakaiathev Sri Lanka [25] and in the waters of Tarakan Kalimantan [23]. Differences in growth patterns were caused by environmental physical conditions at each station. Some factors that cause growth of positive alometrics or negative alometrics according to Mulfitzar et al. among others were physiological and environmental conditions such as temperature, pH, salinity, geographical location and sampling technique [26].

In general, the length and weight relationship of *P. monodon* of the total samples collected from the entire station obtained a value b<3 indicating that the growth pattern of *P. monodon* at the estuary of Tukad Aya was negative alometrics. Suspected growth patterns of *P. monodon* in the estuary of Tukad Aya was negative alometrics caused due to the age difference of each individuals, the results of a length frequency distribution
in the young category, Murni (2004) [27] stated that the longer the age of the shrimp, the increase in weight will be greater than the length while the young shrimp, the length was greater than the increase of weight. The variations in growth patterns can be caused by various factors, such as the number of shrimp samples measured, water and season conditions [23].

Analysis of the length and the weight relationships of *P. merguiensis* at each station showed that the value of the b<3, so that the estimation of the growth pattern was negative alometrics whereas the length growth pattern of the carapace was faster compared to weight. *P. merguiensis* at the research sites did not indicate any differences in growth patterns. This was my due to the environment condition that was still optimum to support the life of shrimp, so that the physical condition of the environment had no major effect on the pattern of shrimp growth. The length relationships of the carapace and the weight of *P. merguiensis* at all station gained a value of b>3, which indicated that the growth pattern of *P. merguiensis* in the estuary of Tukad Aya was negative alometrics. Research conducted in the waters of Meulaboh also showed the similar pattern, that the growth of *P. merguiensis* was negative alometrics [28], as well as at Cilacap [29] and Central Java [30]. According to Fourzan et al. [31] the pattern of growth was relatively similar in some waters, both different species were suspected to be influenced by the conditions of the aquatic environment especially the temperature, availability, and quality of the water resources were relatively the same.

V. CONCLUSION

Compositions of shrimps caught from Tukad Aya shows that the *Penaeus monodon* was caught less (8.6%) than *Penaeus merguiensis* (12.76%). The size distribution of shrimps were dominated by juveniles, while the growth pattern of shrimps were indicated negative alometrics.

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