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Biological and fisheries aspect of *Octopus* sp. (Cephalopoda) from the waters of Buton Regency, Southeast Sulawesi, Indonesia

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Octopus fishery was a small scale fisheries. In Buton regency waters, fishery has been carried out since a long time ago. It started to get serious attention from fisheries community. This research need to be done because of the lack of information about biological of Octopus sp. and fishery aspect. The aim of this research is related to fishery in Buton regency waters. Case study method was used in this research, by choosing Buton regency waters waters as the research palces. This research carried out on January until May 2016. Observation had been done in order to get the biological data of Octopus sp. and fisheries aspect had been used by Purposive Sampling methods.

The result of the research of 402 samples Octopus sp. shows the pattern of allometric negative growths that grow rapidly from heavy growth Octopus sp. the value of a (intercept) = equal to 1,979812, b (slope) = equal to 2,5722 and r (coefficient of corelation) = equal to 0.867888 then the equation of length and weight becomes W = 1,979812 L 2,5722. This shows that the b value obtained is smaller than 3 (three), which means that the octopus (Octopus sp.) Has a negative allometric growth pattern, due to the increase in octopus length faster than growth weight. Judging from the above calculation, the correlation value (r) is 0.867888 which is almost close to 1 (one) indicates the presence of a close enough and positive relationship between weight gain and octopus length.

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Introduction

Cephalopoda is one group of soft animals that have no spine (Invertebrates). Some types of Cephalopods have commercial value and are one of the resources biological importance in the marine fisheries sector [1]. The world of commerce, most of the Cephalopods are divided into 3 (three) groups namely cumi-cumi (squid), cuttlefish (cuttlefish), and octopus (octopus) [2]. Each group may consist of one tribe (family) or more that have important economic significance. Loliginidae, Onychoeteuthidae, and Ommastrephidae, are the tribes that support the squid group. The Sepiidae and Octopodidae are my tribe which sequentially supports cuttleoctopus and octopus groups [18]. The octopus fishery in Buton regency waters has an important role. In general, almost all fisherman and the community during the octopus season will be involved in his Fishing effort. This is not separated by the season and the area of octopus catch. In the global market, the commodities of cephalopods, especially octopuses have higher price levels of squid and cuttleoctopus from late 1996 to 2000.

Observations made in this study aims to determine the characteristics of morphometry and long-term relationship to know the factual about fishery.gurita (*Octopus* sp.) Around Buton regency waters which landed in Pasarwajo. The tool used is to get a spear done between the morning and the old catching operation about 4 hours. Business management demonstrates that appropriate octopus fisheries management is to monitor Fishing techniques at risk and the importance of improving the quality of fisheries human resources to obtain sustainable and responsible fisheries. To find out the biology of octopus, so it needs to collected fishery data as the basis of management in the future.

Materials and Method

This study was conducted from January to May 2016. The octopus catches were from the Buton regency waters theme and landed at the octopus auction, Bajo Fisherman Village, Pasarwajo, Buton, Southeast Sulawesi. Primary data compensated by itself at landing octopus in Bajo Fishing village as well as interviews aimed at fisherman. Long frequency distributions are grouped by month and created classes. Data collection is done by taking samples using purposive sampling method, that is intentionally or not random sampling.

This measurement is done by using a meter gauge that has a functional scale of 1 mm. Further weighing the weight of the octopus using a digital scale that has a scale of 1 gram. The weight of the octopus can be used as a function of its length, and this long heavy relationship almost follows the cubic law of a octopus of the rank of three of its length. But because the octopus is grown then the body shape, length and weight is always changing^[4].. An analysis of the length and weight data according to the Effendie (1979) ^[3].

The estimation of the size of the octopus was first caught with the appearance of octopus containing with a cumulative percentage (Y axis). To obtain the Lc value

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(the length of the first catch) is to take the line of relationship on the X axis for the 50% value on the Y axis^[5].

Result and Discussion

Based on the observation it was found that the octopus caught with the spear in the waters of Buton Regency, Pasarwajo has the overall characteristics of the head that blends with a coat that enveloped the whole body to form a rather loose collar on the neck or outer protective skin as a substitute for shells as in other cephalopoda types (Figure 1.), has two large eyes protruding and located around the periphery of the head, having legs divided into arms of 8 pieces of arm lengths several times the length of the body used as a swimming tool and feeding on food, having a very sucker or sucker much in the form of concave spheres on his arms, having webs on the interleaved arms, and ocellus or aqueduct located in the middle between his eight arms. The grayish-white body of octopus is very flexible and flexible to make it easier to move and hide among the rocks but not slimy or transparent.

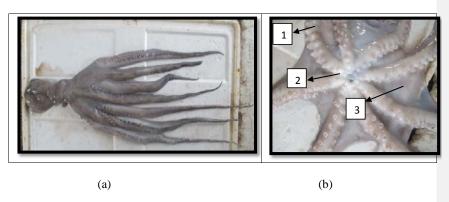


Figure 1. Morphological specs(a) octopus morphology (*Octopus* sp.) (b) the octagon arm having (1) sucker, (2) web and (3) ocellus,

Octopus sp. spread from Southeast Asia to the Western Pacific, found in the Lembeh Strait, Maumere Bay of Flores and Milne Bay of Papua New Guinea. In the Great Barrier Reef of Australia, six members of this subgenus are known, two of which are Octopus aceluatus d'Orbigny, 1834 and Octopus capricornicus which are new species in the cephalopod taxonomy [17]. Based on these characteristics it is suspected that the octopus caught with the spear is a family of Octopodidae that is from the type of octopus *Cystopus* indicus. The western waters of the coast of Sumatra, Java Sea, to the north of Arafura there are estimated 4 (four) types: *Octopus* vulgaris, *Octopus* aegina, *Octopus* macropus, and *Cystopus* indicus^[8]. The features of the octopus are coat lengthwise, the neck contracting with the head narrowed [11]. Long sleeve shape, slender with flattened tip. Oktariza, et al 2015^[16]. found the length of the sample measurements, it is known that most *L. chinensis* males were caught from 144-176 mm (20.11%) and female catches were from 144-176 mm (43.50%). The length of *L. chinensis* mantle in Andaman Bay, Thailand, is from 50 to 286 mm for male and from 46 to 235 mm for female.

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Furthermore, the sample of octopus measured the length of his body (Figure 2.) by using the measuring meter and calculate the body weight using a digital scales.

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Figure. 2 *Octopus* sp. Measurements caught with spears around the waters of Buton Regency, Pasarwajo, Southeast Sulawesi.

Measurement of coat length starts from the base of the mantle to the center of the eye. As for the total length measured from the base of the mantle to the longest arm of the octopus.

1. Length and weight relationship of the Octopus sp.

The analysis of the length and weight relationship of the octopus (Octopus sp.) Was done by mentranforsikan data of mantle length (cm) and weight (gram) into heavy length relation graph. The exponential line equation of the long-heavy relationship graph follows the Effendie (2002) [4]. with the equation W = a Lb. The results of the analysis of the length relationship of octopus weight (Octopus sp.) Obtained values as in Table 1.

Table 1. Result of Calculation of Octopus sp. Long Weight Relation around Buton Regency waters, Pasarwajo.

Octopus samples	A	В	R	N	W=a L ^b
Total	1,979812	2,572208	0,867888	402	$1,979812$ L 2,572208

Information:

a: intercept

b: slope

r: correlation coefficient

n: the number of octopus samples

W: linear equations

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Based on Table 1. the total octopus sample totaled 402 octopuses. The calculation of the length and weight of the octopus is shown in Appendix 2. From the results of 402 octopuses caught with spear-catching devices in the waters of Buton Regency, Pasarwajo, Southeast Sulawesi obtained an (intercept) = value of 1.979812, b (slope) = 2, 5722 and r (coefficient corelation) = equal to 0.867888 then the equation of length and weight becomes W = 1,979812 L 2,5722. This shows that the b value obtained is smaller than 3 (three), which means that the octopus (*Octopus* sp.) Has a negative allometric growth pattern, due to the increase in octopus length faster than growth weight. Judging from the above calculation, the correlation value (r) is 0.867888 which is almost close to 1 (one) indicates the presence of a close enough and positive relationship between weight gain and octopus length.

The graph showing the relationship between the length and weight of octopus (*Octopus* sp.) In the waters of Buton regency, Pasarwajo, Southeast Sulawesi can

be seen in Figure 3. as follows:

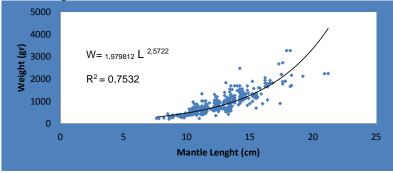


Figure 3. The graph of long octane weight relationship (*Octopus* sp.) Landed in the waters of Buton Regency, Pasarwajo, Southeast Sulawesi

Based on the graph of the relationship length and weight of the calculation results obtained by the equation of weight weight of W=1,979812 L 2,5722. As for the value of b from the calculation results obtained value of b <3, this indicates that octopus (Octopus sp.) That landed in the waters of Buton regency , Pasarwajo, Southeast Sulawesi has a negative allometric growth which means long growth faster than growth weight so that octopus tends to elongate.

The value of r obtained from the calculation is 0.867, which means that the value of r is close to 1 (one), so it can be said that there is a close and positive relationship between growth weight and length. Then the value of b is tested to determine the probability obtained by using t test 0.05 (580, db). From the calculation result, the value of tcount is 5,84 and ttable is 1,966, then tcount>ttable to show that value of b is significantly different with 3 (three) meaning that octopus (*Octopus* sp.) Landed in the waters of Buton Regency, Southeast Sulawesi has body length, this is thought to be due to the growth of octopus length faster than growth weight. So look at the observation of the biological aspects of octopus (*Octopus* sp.) Size is elongated and not bulging or widened.

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This is in accordance with research conducted by Carolus et al. (2008) ^[7], which states in the waters of Sangihe, North Sulawesi that octopus (*Octopus* sp.) Caught around Sangihe waters by taking octopus samples (*Octopus* sp.) As many as 29 tail also experienced a negative allometric growth pattern, due to measurements of long octopus growth faster than growth weight so that the captured octopus tended to elongate. Long range octopus 7.46 cm - 14.86 cm with an average length of 11.16 cm

The results obtained during the observation took place found that the octopus caught by fisherman using the spear gear experience growth patterns that are allometrik negative. Allegedly one of the factors affecting allometric growth in octopus is the t-table value of the total sample of 402 animals after the comparative test of the table at a real level of 95% (n-2) is 1.9658. Based on the long measurement data on the octopus it can be seen that the mantle of the length (ML) which has a range of size of 7.6 cm - 21.2 cm which is allometric negative to the wet weight. The negative allometric properties of ML measurement and wet weight indicate that the general growth in the octopus lasts with elongated growth after which it widened. The length of the mantle greatly affects the growth of cephalopoda species, especially the addition of body weight, the coat length is also used as a comparative basis to facilitate the cephalopod growth grouping [8]. In octopuses have a form of mantle that blends with the head allegedly it is what makes the growth rate on the length of the mantle and the length of the head has a balanced growth rate. The allometric growth in octopus shows that the octopus body's overall proportion is not fixed. Avoidance of predators may explain differences in distribution between adolescent O.vulgaris and adults, O. dofleini and adult O. tetricus was discovered by [9, 10, 11].

Although the average depth of octopus, octopus was collected (2.9 m) shallower than large specimens (3.8 m) in this study, differences in depth distributions can not be verified because tidal fluctuations are not considered. The morphometric relationship to the *O. vulgaris* in False Bay, Africa is similar to that reported for species in the northwest coast of Africa^[12], on the east coast of South Africa^[23] and in Mediterranean coast of Spain^[13].

2. Frequency distribution

This frequency distribution calculation is intended so that we can know how many and are in the range of the size and weight of the octopus in the sample used. From field observation to 402 octopuses landed in Buton regency waters, Pasarwajo, Southeast Sulawesi obtained the long data of octopus class, which is the smallest length of 7.6 cm and the largest length of 21.2 cm shows the average length size of 12,73 cm, and average weight size of 911.05 grams (Figure 4).

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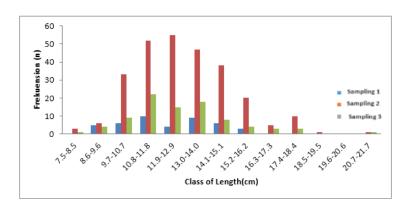


Figure 4. The octopus frequency distribution chart (*Octopus* sp.) That landed in the waters of Buton Regency, Pasarwajo, Southeast Sulawesi

Based on Figure 4., it is found that from the catch of the octopus landed in the waters of Buton Regency, Pasarwajo, Southeast Sulawesi shows the average length of fluctuating size in each size range of octopus length. During the observation took place octopus that many caught as a whole is in the range between $11.9~\rm cm-12.9~cm$.

Study squids in Lamongan waters mantle length of the females ranged from 4.6 to 38 cm and their weight ranged from 5 to 410 g. Mantle length of the male ranged from 4.5 to 29 cm and 6 to 360 g weight $^{[14]}$.

Several squid studies and in some areas among those conducted in Beibu Bay-China show that the length of *L. chinensis* squid mantle is 49 to 438 mm and weighs from 7.3 to 723 g^[15]. Research the Province of Bangka *L. chinensis* Belitung Island, Indonesia produces mantle length of the females ranged from 7.8 to 25.2 cm and their weight ranged from 14 to 277 g. Mantle length of the male ranged from 8.4 to 37 cm and 9 to 349 g weight ^[16].

3. First Size Captured (Lc)

One that is used as a reference in the effort to manage fishery resources to remain sustainable is through the estimation of the first size of octopus or captured octopus (Lc). Determination of the size of the first time caught is intended for controlling the arrest of octopus in order to avoid exploitation, so that the octopus resources can be maintained its sustainability.

The results of the analysis of the measurement of the length of octopus mantle (*Octopus* sp.), There are octopus catches as much as 402 heads from the sample octopus. The first size distribution captured (Lc) can be seen in Figure 5.

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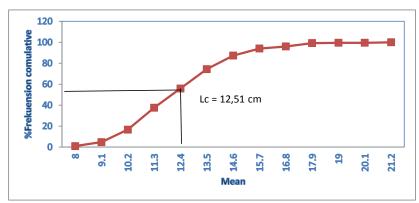


Figure 5. Graph of first size captured (Lc) octopus (*Octopus* sp.) Landed in the waters of Buton Regency, Pasarwajo, Southeast Sulawesi.

Based on the first size chart captured (Lc) the octopus from the observations made in the field shows that the maximum length of the captured octopus is 21.2 cm, and for the minimum length captured is 7.6 cm, and obtained the length of the octopus that is allowed to be captured by taking the line of relationship between the mean value to the value of 50% at the cumulative frequency percentage of more than 12.51 cm.

During the observation took place the catch obtained by fisherman in Pasarwajo showed the average size of octopus caught in the waters of Buton Regency, Pasarwajo of 12.4 cm in the long range of 11.9 - 12.9 cm. The length of the captured average mantle (L50%) is 12.51 cm with the length of the infiniti (LOO) obtained by the equation (LOO) = Lmax / 0.95 is 20.14 cm, ideally the size of the octopus first caught no less than LOO. It is suspected that the octopus caught in the waters of the Buton Regency, Pasarwajo relatively still small for the size of decent catch. Which states that the first size captured is not smaller than the LOO value. Male *O. vulgaris* mature at smaller size than females, consistent with most other cephalopods ^[20]. However, male maturation is largely determined by the size of the octopus, and all octopuses> 170 g mature. *O. vulgaris* may develop and reproduce throughout the year at False Bay, with possible peaks in spring and summer when the water is warmer ^[25]. The top spawning in *O. vulgaris* has been reported for other temperate regions, but varies seasonally, for example in the spring of South Carolina, in autumn in North-West Africa ^[12].

4. Fishing Area of Octopus sp.

Fisherman conducted the arrest of octopus from the edge to the breakwater area. The extent of the octopus catching area is different at each Fishing site, allegedly depending on the extent of the reefs.

The location of octopus Fishing in the waters of Buton regency is a rocky waters that starts from the waters around Banabungi Village, Holimoumbo Jaya to Kampung Bajo. The Fishing grounds around Banabungi Village are centered around the pier which is a deep sandy and rocky beach. The right side of the pier is a continuation of Fishing ground until the waters of Holimoumbo Jaya to enter

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the waters of Kampung Bajo. The condition of the seafloor in the waters of Holimoumbo Jaya is more steep compared to the waters of Banabungi Village, causing the waves crashing to the beach to become harder. The location of the octopus catching around the waters of Buton Regency, Pasarwajo is allegedly not representative of the octopus area where there is an octopus because based on information from local fisherman the operation of the octopus Fishing operation depends on the limitation of Fishing gear and human resources in the case of fisherman who do not go diving when conditions of waters and weather not possible to avoid the risk of diving.

5. Season of Octopus sp.

For the classification of the Fishing season is based on the prevailing Fishing season and is well known by the Fishing communities, especially the Bajo fisherman located in the Buton Regency area where at the time of the activity of catching the octopus by using the spear Fishing gear. The season of capture the octopus is divided into three seasons as follows: East season, which lasts for 5 (five) months starting from December – April; West season, which lasts for 4 months starting from May – August; and Transitional Season, which lasts for 3 months starting from September - November

At the time of observation the arrest of octopus took place on the east season in February to April. The fluctuating octopus catch is thought to be due to factors affecting the octopus catch in the eastern seasons as a natural factor caused by wind and waves during capture operations. The wave season usually occurs in December, January, and February.

Generally octopus Fishing activities conducted in the morning until late afternoon. The duration of the arrest operation is 4 hours. The best time to catch an octopus is in the morning around 07.00 - 09.00. Allegedly due to the arrest of an octopus is an attempt to exploit tidal activity without using a Fishing fleet. Some of the octopus fisherman utilize the time of octopus Fishing operation during the day during high tide, starting at around 13:00 to 16:00 at a time to install the crayoctopus (shrimp tangkul). This means the number of days of operation in a month can reach 30 days. The period of capture is done during the light month, ie when the month of 7 days to 23 days. The most difficult time for fisherman to go to sea is when the moon is dark when the month 24 days to month dead and continued until 7 days. Adult *O.vulgaris* in False Bay, Africa may be more active at night^[25], and in other waters for *O.vulgaris* species ^[19, 20, 21]. A higher proportion of small octopuses found outside their shelters during the day than at night and find *O. Vulgaris* teens more active during the day ^[9]. Differences in activity between adolescents and people today may be a strategy by teenagers to avoid predation by the large, cannibalistic octopus ^[23, 24].

Conclusion

The long-octane (*Octopus* sp.) Association of 402 heads is negative allometric, i.e the length increase is faster than the weight gain (b = 2.57) with an average length of 12.73 cm and an average weight of 911.05 grams. Distribution of long-octopus frequency (*Octopus* sp.) During the observation obtained the number of octopus catches as much as 84 tail in the long range of 10.8 -12.9 cm. The frequency

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distribution of octopus weight (*Octopus* sp.) During the observation was found in the weight range from 195 to 796 grams.

The first measure of capture (Lc) from the observation results of octopus (Octopus sp.) As much as 402 heads obtained the long coat range between 11.9 cm - 12.9 cm and the average length of 12.4 cm then found the value of Lc 12,51 cm and LOO value of 20.14 cm. From the first captured size (Lc) and LOO with an average length of 12.73 cm and an average weight of 911.05 grams, it is suspected that the catch of fisherman in Pasarwajo is still relatively small for the arrest of an octopus during the observation.

The aspect of octopus fishery (*Octopus* sp.) Is Fishing gear which used by Fisherman Pasarwajo is spear (hook) made of iron berukura 75 cm with diameter 0,5 cm. The Fishing area of octopus fisherman (*Octopus* sp.) Around the waters of Buton Regency starts from Banabungi Village, Holimoumbo Jaya Village, to Kampung Bajo around the rocky waters with a depth of 5-6 meters. The octopus Fishing season (*Octopus* sp.) In the waters of Buton Regency takes place at 3 seasons, East Season, lasts for 5 months (December-April), West Season, runs for 4 months (May-August), and Transitional Season, lasts for 3 months (September-November).

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