

# MORTALITY AND INGROWTH PATTERN OF DIPTEROCARPS IN FOREST RECOVERY IN EAST KALIMANTAN

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## ABSTRACT

In primary and logged-over natural forest, the trees conditions such as tree structure, mortality and ingrowth rates will vary according to the species characteristic. Quantitative management variables become very important to support yield regulation tools for achieving sustainable forest management. The study objective was to determine mortality and ingrowth rates to formulate biometric characteristic variability of Dipterocarps forest in logged-over forests based on time series data. The study site was located in Labanan, East Kalimantan Province. Permanent measurement plots within logged-over forest were located to represent three different logging techniques, i.e. a) reduced impact logging with diameter limit 50 cm (RIL 50); b) RIL 60; c) conventional logging; and d) primary forest as control. Total plot permanent area was about 48 ha and was measured periodically every 2 years within 17 years after logging. For data analysis purpose, trees were divided into two major groups, i.e. Dipterocarps and non-Dipterocarps. Range of mortality rates for all species in logged-over forest were 2.5-29.3% per ha per 2 years which was very close to primary forest at year-5 after logging. While range of ingrowth rate for all species in logged-over forest were 1.3-21.3% per ha per 2 years which were higher than those for the primary forest within 17 years. The mortality and ingrowth rates fluctuation of Dipterocarps species group were different from those of non-Dipterocarps.

**Keywords:** Dipterocarps, ingrowth, logged-over forest, mortality

## INTRODUCTION

Lowland tropical rain forest is a natural forest with trees having typical characteristics, harboring the greatest species diversity in the world (Whitmore 1990; Richards 1996) and having numerous variations of tree's dimensions (Prodan 1968). Lowland tropical rain forests in Southeast Asia are dominated by Dipterocarpaceae (Ashton 1982), therefore, it is often referred to as the Dipterocarp forests. Dipterocarp forest is a tropical rainforest inhabiting type A and type B climate types area, covering Sumatera, Kalimantan, Sulawesi, North Maluku and Papua with the highest layer of forest canopy filled with family Dipterocarpaceae, especially genus *Shorea*, *Dipterocarpus*, *Dryobalanops* and *Hopea* (Ashton 1982). Dipterocarp forest in West Malesia region

is the most productive tropical forest types based on timber value (FAO 2001). In Indonesia, Dipterocarpaceae is the largest contributor (over 25%) to commercial timber forests in decades, with volume of 50-100 m<sup>3</sup> per ha, especially in Kalimantan (Sist *et al.* 2003).

In primary and logged-over natural forest, the stand conditions having differences in stand structure, species composition, tree density, canopy structure, mortality and ingrowth, will have varied growth rates depending on the tree age after logging (Silva *et al.* 1995; Lewis *et al.* 2004; Ishida *et al.* 2005). Recovery of a logged-over forest happens in a long period after logging (Smith & Nichols 2005), which varies depending on deforestation rate and environmental carrying capacity (Muhdin *et al.* 2008). Natural production forests in Indonesia have more than 50% of logged-over forests (Ditjen Planologi Kehutanan 2011). Therefore, it is very important to know

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about the variation of tree characteristics in a logged-over forest. Biology and ecology information of Dipterocarps is needed as scientific basis for developing effective forest management policies (Naito *et al.* 2008).

Forest biometric characteristics is among quantitative approaches to study the properties or characteristics of forest trees in size (metric) for a specific biological dimension as the user identification by ratio and interval scale (Prodan 1968). Input variables to determine quantitative tools are mostly provided by classical forest inventories on plots (Vanclay 2003; Gourlet-Fleury *et al.* 2005). Most of the early biometric research are found in studies on plantations and temperate forests that do not have such complexity as tropical forests. The heterogeneity and complexity of obstacles occur in the forms of diversity and variation of conditions as well as limitations or lack of long term data observation. Average rate of mortality and its correlations to several reliable and measurable variables in size or site characteristics as input factors mostly determine the mortality model (Keister 1972; Hamilton & Edwards 1976; Monserud 1976; Hamilton 1994; Monserud & Sterba 1999; cited Flewelling & Monserud 2002). According to Chertov *et al.* (2005), a new paradigm in achieving sustainable forest management requires prediction of effective growth forest tree dynamics involving aspects of ecological characteristics.

To achieve sustainable forest management, preparation of quantitative management tools such as yield regulation models becomes very important. Important variables needed to build the models are mortality and ingrowth rates of forest trees. This study aimed to determine mortality and ingrowth rates of Dipterocarps and non-Dipterocarps spesies groups for 17 years after being logged, which rates will be used to

formulate biometric characteristics variability of Dipterocarp forest in logged-over forests based on time series data.

## MATERIALS AND METHODS

### Study Site

This study was carried out at Labanan research forest station ( $1^{\circ}49'-2^{\circ}10'$  N and  $116^{\circ}7'-117^{\circ}27'$  E) located in Berau Region, East Kalimantan Province. According to Schmidt and Ferguson climate classification (1951), the study site was within type B climate ( $Q = 14.3-33.3\%$ ). Based on Koppen system classification the study site was within type AFA climate with many rainy days over in a year with mean annual precipitation about 1,800-3,000 mm/year. The highest monthly mean precipitation happened in January (242.5 mm) and the lowest is in August (90.9 mm). Maximum temperature rate happens in September and November ( $35^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) and the lowest was in February and August ( $21^{\circ}\text{C}$ ), with average temperature of  $26^{\circ}\text{C}$ . The study site was located at 500 m above sea level (asl) and it was a relatively hilly forest. Soil type in Labanan research forest station consisted of Ultisol (87.3%), Entisol (10.7%) and Inceptisol (2.0%).

Labanan research forest station as a low land tropical forest is dominated by family Dipterocarpaceae, consisted of 7 genera i.e. *Anisoptera*, *Cotylelobium*, *Dipterocarpus*, *Dryobalanops*, *Parashorea*, *Shorea* and *Vatica*. Besides family Dipterocarpaceae, other dominant genera are also present in Labanan research forest station such as *Sapotaceae*, *Meliaceae*, *Moraceae*, *Ebenaceae*, *Sapindaceae* and *Leguminaceae*. Among landscapes at the Labanan research forest station was a swamp forest dominated by *Lophopetalum* and *Shorea balangeran* (Saridan and Susanty 2005).

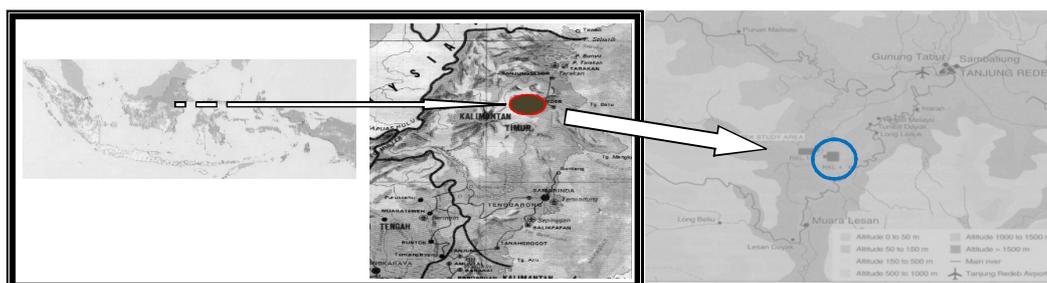


Figure 1. Study site-Labanan research forest station, Berau, East Kalimantan Province

## Data Collecting

Permanent plots were set up in the logged-over forest as well as in the primary forest. The size of each plot was 200x200 m (4 ha) which was divided into 4 square subplots with size of 100x100 m (1 ha). The permanent plots were built in 4 condition variations with total area of 48 ha. Measurements were carried out by census method for all species with limit diameter of 10 cm including number of trees, tree species, stem diameter (diameter at breast height or 20 cm above buttresses) and number of dead trees. Repeated measurements were performed every two years.

Reduced impact logging can be defined as logging technique to minimize environment impact on forest trees and soils (Dykstra 2008). This technique is needed to preserve ecological aspect of forest trees and to ensure sustainable yield of production forest in the future.

Data used in this study were data collected from 1990 to 2008. Treatments applied on research plots were as follows:

- a) RIL 50: reduced impact logging techniques with limit diameter of 50 cm, skid trail planning was based on contour maps and tree position as well as supervision of tree felling and skidding (3 plots).
- b) RIL 60: reduced impact logging techniques with limit diameter of 60 cm, skid trail planning was based on contour maps and tree position as well as supervision of tree felling and skidding (3 plots).
- c) CNV: conventional logging techniques with limit diameter of 60 cm, no skid trail planning, conducted without considering contour line maps or tree position, felling was done by loggers experiences (3 plots).
- d) PF: primary forest as controls (3 plots).

## Data Analysis

Data organization was carried out using database software Microsoft Visual FoxPro 9.0, while data analysis was performed by using spreadsheet and SPSS 15.0. Data were analyzed based on tree density and tree structure (stems per ha) as well as basal area (m<sup>2</sup> per ha) with two major species groupings e.g. Dipterocarps and non-Dipterocarps species. Calculations of mortality and ingrowth rates were performed every 2 years. Residual tree characteristics assessment was done by comparing variations in forest conditions by

using different test mean values (t-test), analysis of variance (ANOVA) and regression analysis. Regression equation tested was linear equations, polynomials, exponential and logarithmic. Criteria used for selecting the best equation were based on the regression coefficient (r), determination coefficient (R<sup>2</sup>) and the highest value of the smallest standard error (SE) (Steel & Torrie 1995)

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### Tree Density

The dynamics of logged-over forest within 17 years were represented by number of trees per hectare and basal area per hectare against tree fluctuations after-logging using different logging techniques (Fig. 2). Mean values of tree density at the initial conditions (pre-harvest) were compared using t-test and the results showed no significant differences in all study plots ( $t_{\text{calc}} < t_{\text{tab}(0.05; 6)}$ ). Fluctuations of tree density and basal area of logged-over forest would increase up to the initial conditions before logging (primary forest). Logged-over Dipterocarp forest recovery reached the conditions close to the primary forest at 9 years after-logging based on tree density and at 11 years after-logging based on basal area. According to Gourlet-Fleury *et al.* (2005) and Kao and Iida (2006), tree density extremely increases at 5 to 7 years after-logging, which was explained by the increasing growth of open canopy in after-logging periods.

Range of tree density in the studied logged-over forest was 461-647 stems per ha with average value of 531 stems per ha. Sianturi and Kanninen (2005) stated that at the period of 2 years after-logging in Jambi forest, the tree density reached 90% compared with tree density at the same forest before logging.

Tree density in a primary forest in Sangai, Central Kalimantan (478-738 stems per ha; average of 583 stems per ha) was similar to tree density in Labanan forest (Susanty 2006). This study results were also similar to the condition in eastern Amazon forest showing average tree density of 480±96.6 stems per ha (Sist & Ferreira 2007). While Gourlet-Fleury *et al.* (2005) presented higher value of tree density for French Guiana forest (625 stems per ha).

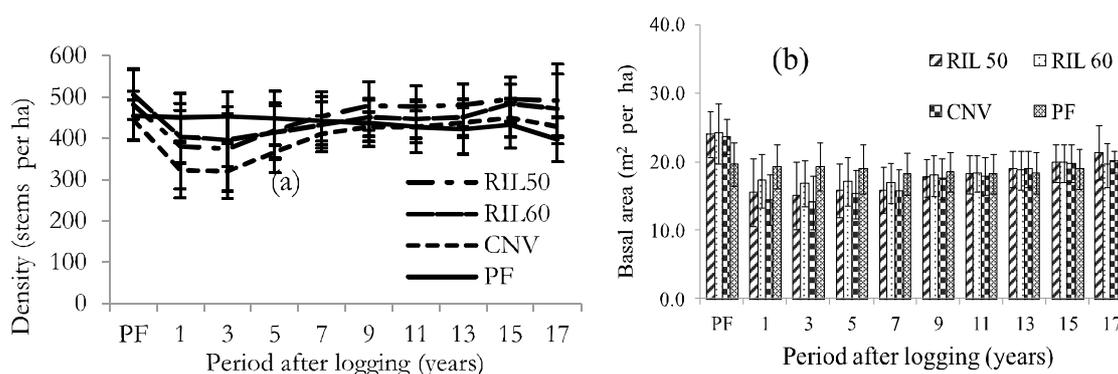


Figure 2. Forest trees for all species with different logging techniques based on (a) average tree density (stems per ha) and (b) average basal area ( $\text{m}^2$  per ha)

Range of basal area value in the studied logged-over forest was  $19.35\text{--}31.84 \text{ m}^2$  per ha. As comparisons, basal area value in a several years after-logging forest in Central Kalimantan ranged from  $16.4$  to  $26.7 \text{ m}^2$  per (Krisnawati 2001). A study conducted by Setiawan (2013) showed that basal area value in a logged-over forest in Muara Wahau, East Kalimantan ranged from  $12.63$  to  $32.57 \text{ m}^2$  per ha, while basal area value in a primary forest in Muara Wahau, East Kalimantan ranged from  $27.80$  to  $32.57 \text{ m}^2$  per ha. Basal area value in Amazon forest had average of  $28 \pm 4 \text{ m}^2$  per ha (Sist & Ferreira 2007).

In logged-over forests, tree density was about 93-102% and basal area were about 81.0-88.8% compared with initial condition or before logging condition. Based on this result, the recovery pattern of forest seemed to have positive trend with similar variations. The tree density after-logging variable is important to know ecological sustainability (Sist *et al.* 2003; Smith & Nichols 2005; Muhdin 2012). This variable may indicate the level of all logged-over forest which have well recovered, with assumption no interference or disturbance, thereafter. Different recovery patterns of logged-over forest influenced ecological factor and forest tree condition. Growth monitoring on a 24 ha permanent sample plots in silviculture experiments in Amazônia (1980-1989) indicated that even in the same block of concession area, forest recovery has different characteristics and patterns shown by fluctuations of tree dynamic (Silva *et al.* 1995). Initial succession process in logged-over forests started from the end of logging operational, followed by growing process in a time series function.

### Mortality Rates

The mortality level in different logging techniques is influenced by logging intensity based on number of trees and volume per hectare which were felled by logging. Logging intensity in RIL 50 had felled trees of  $10.7 \pm 4.9$  stems per ha with volume of  $96.8 \pm 66.5 \text{ m}^3$  ha per; RIL 60 had felled trees of  $7.0 \pm 3.0$  stems per ha with volume of  $56.5 \pm 23.3 \text{ m}^3$  per ha and CNV had felled trees of  $10.1 \pm 4.2$  stems per ha with volume of  $107.2 \pm 59.6 \text{ m}^3$  per ha (Sist & Bertault 1998). These results indicated that logging intensity had a tendency to increase from RIL 60, RIL 50 and CNV logging techniques, respectively. In the logged-over forest, the mortality rates for all species ranged from 2.5 to 29.3% per ha per 2 years (Table 1). The highest mortality rates occurred in year-1 and year-3 after logging then declined or was similar to mortality rates at the primary forest in year-5 after logging. The mortality rates in this study were higher than those in some studies; for example mortality rate in year-2 after logging in East Kalimantan forest was 2.5% per year (Primack *et al.* 1985; Nguyen-The *et al.* 1998); mortality rate in a logged-over forest in Papua New Guinea was 2.5% per ha per year (Mex 2005); mortality rate in a mixed Dipterocarp forests in Asia was 1.5% per year (Nguyen-The *et al.* 1998). Compared to other forest types, Dipterocarp forest has lower mortality rate than that of peat swamp forest which was 6.13% per year and of heath forests which was 4.26% per year (Nishimua *et al.* 2006).

Mortality rates in forest with different logging techniques indicated higher logging intensity for both Dipterocarps and non-Dipterocarps (Fig. 3).

Table 1. Tree mortality rates (% per ha per 2 years) for all species

| Forest Condition | PAL1                   | PAL3 | PAL5 | PAL7 | PAL9 | PAL11 | PAL13 | PAL15 | PAL17 |
|------------------|------------------------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
|                  | (% per ha per 2 years) |      |      |      |      |       |       |       |       |
| RIL50 Mean       | 23.7                   | 10.9 | 4.3  | 5.8  | 3.0  | 2.9   | 2.7   | 3.4   | 3.3   |
| SD               | 10.6                   | 6.2  | 1.4  | 1.2  | 0.7  | 1.1   | 1.1   | 1.7   | 1.5   |
| RIL60 Mean       | 22.3                   | 8.3  | 4.4  | 5.5  | 3.3  | 2.5   | 2.5   | 2.5   | 3.5   |
| SD               | 8.1                    | 3.5  | 1.1  | 1.3  | 0.9  | 0.8   | 1.1   | 1.3   | 2.0   |
| CNV Mean         | 29.3                   | 12.8 | 2.8  | 6.8  | 3.3  | 3.6   | 2.8   | 2.9   | 4.3   |
| SD               | 9.2                    | 8.0  | 1.3  | 2.3  | 0.9  | 2.1   | 1.0   | 1.9   | 0.4   |
|                  | P1                     | P3   | P5   | P7   | P9   | P11   | P13   | P15   | P17   |
| PF Mean          | 2.9                    | 3.2  | 4.7  | 6.0  | 3.2  | 3.4   | 2.7   | 2.0   | 3.2   |
| SD               | 1.0                    | 1.3  | 5.1  | 1.8  | 1.2  | 1.5   | 1.5   | 1.4   | 2.0   |

Notes : PAL = period after logging (years)

SD = Standard deviation

P = monitoring period (years)

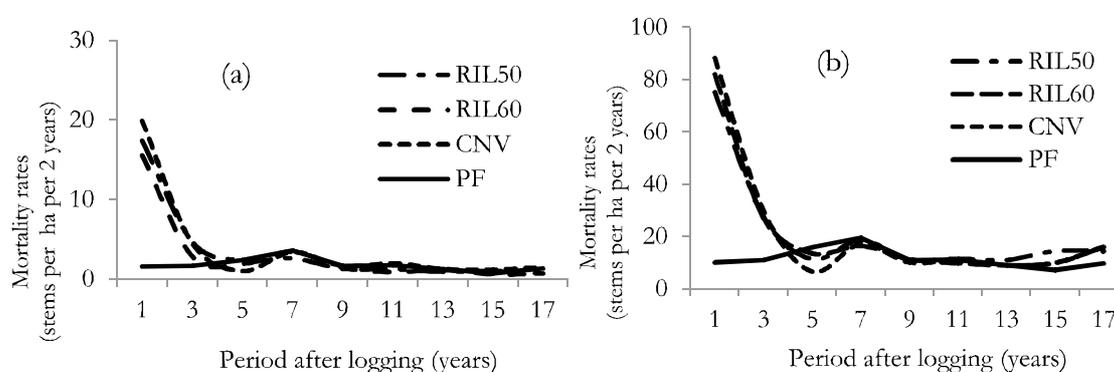


Figure 3. Mortality rates (stems per ha per 2 years) of trees with different logging techniques for species group (a) Dipterocarps and (b) non-Dipterocarps

Non-Dipterocarps species have a tendency to have higher mortality rate than Dipterocarps. Mortality rate for both Dipterocarps and non-Dipterocarps in primary forest ranged from 2.0 to 6.0% per ha per 2 years with average of 3.29% per ha per 2 years. The increasing logging intensity was negatively correlated with stem densities, species abundance and biodiversity, where prior changes in the logged-over forest for the first 5–10 years after logging were gradually occurred in successive samples (Kariuki *et al.* 2006). The mortality rates of trees in a forest is relatively high within 7 years, indicating that damaging effects of logging would permanently influence trees, either directly or indirectly. In other words, within 7 years after logging, the remaining trees will begin to recover.

Fluctuations of mortality rate within 17 years after logging indicated that the mortality rates decreased over years for both Dipterocarps and

non-Dipterocarps. A theoretical frame for ingrowth limitations, climatic variation or many factors became the constraints to predict tree-level change (Harcombe *et al.* 2002). Several variables causing differences of mortality rates were logging intensity, initial structure and dominant species composition. The mortality degree is different for every tree's stage in the forests.

### Ingrowth Rates

Ingrowth rates in logged-over forest have the same tendency with mortality rates that correlate with level of logging intensity (Table 2). In this case, conventional logging technique can still control the total felled trees to only cut down trees having limit diameter of 60 cm. The ingrowth rates in logged-over forest (1.3–21.3% per ha per 2 years) were higher than those in primary forest (0.6–4.7% per ha per 2 years). The highest

ingrowth rate for all species occurred at year-5 to year-7 (Table 2). After logging, the ingrowth rates increased substantially during the first 5 years. During the next five years, there was a sharp decrease. Hardiansyah *et al.* (2005) stated that at year-1 after logging in Jambi, ingrowth rate was 0.19-2.89% per year with average 2.1% per year. Meanwhile, in Papua New Guinea Mex (2005) stated that at year-13 after logging the trees had smaller ingrowth rate with mean of 41 stems per ha. In the primary forest, ingrowth rate fluctuation were relatively low i.e. 2.0-4.7% per ha per 2 years with average of 2.5% per ha per 2 years. Fluctuations of ingrowth rates for Dipterocarps and non-Dipterocarps species in logged-over forest with different logging techniques had different patterns (Fig. 4). In this study 68 tree families had been identified (Appendix 1), in which there were 8 genera of Dipterocarps (Appendix 2) namely *Anisoptera*, *Cotylelobium*, *Dipterocarpus*, *Dryobalanops*, *Hopea*, *Parashorea*, *Shorea*, and *Vatica* consisted of 92

species. Non-Dipterocarpaceae trees dominating the logged-over forest were especially pioneer species such as *Macaranga* sp. This result was similar to the research results in Brazilian Amazon forest which showed that the ingrowth rate increased in the first 8 years after logging provided there were more light in the understorey which stimulated ingrowth (Silva *et al.* 1995). Ingrowth can soar through the canopy opening after logging provided there were more growing space and ingrowth would decrease in line with the competition among trees (Gourlet-Fleury *et al.* 2005). Logged-over forests would have good recovery with high growth rate at year-3 after logging (Kao & Iida 2006). The first highest ingrowth rate occurred in year-7 indicating high growth regeneration which in line with the beginning of mortality rate decline in year-7. The second highest ingrowth rate occurred in year-15 which might be caused by recovery process of forest trees after being logged-over.

Table 2. Tree ingrowth rates (% per ha per 2 years) for all species

| Forest Condition | PAL1                                 | PAL3 | PAL5 | PAL7 | PAL9 | PAL11 | PAL13 | PAL15 | PAL17 |
|------------------|--------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
|                  | (% per ha per 2 years <sup>1</sup> ) |      |      |      |      |       |       |       |       |
| RIL50 Mean       | 1.8                                  | 9.0  | 21.3 | 14.5 | 8.8  | 2.8   | 3.4   | 6.5   | 0.6   |
| SD               | 0.6                                  | 4.9  | 25.3 | 8.9  | 4.4  | 2.4   | 1.7   | 2.7   | 0.2   |
| RIL60 Mean       | 2.1                                  | 6.3  | 9.0  | 10.5 | 7.9  | 1.6   | 3.5   | 9.8   | 0.7   |
| SD               | 1.0                                  | 2.3  | 2.3  | 3.3  | 3.8  | 1.0   | 1.4   | 5.7   | 0.1   |
| CNV Mean         | 1.3                                  | 12.7 | 19.1 | 19.6 | 7.8  | 3.5   | 5.2   | 5.4   | 0.7   |
| SD               | 0.6                                  | 8.5  | 13.4 | 8.2  | 4.8  | 1.2   | 2.6   | 1.9   | 0.2   |
|                  | P1                                   | P3   | P5   | P7   | P9   | P11   | P13   | P15   | P17   |
| PF Mean          | 2.1                                  | 3.8  | 3.7  | 4.7  | 2.0  | 1.1   | 1.6   | 4.5   | 0.7   |
| SD               | 1.0                                  | 1.9  | 1.9  | 2.2  | 1.1  | 1.1   | 0.9   | 2.7   | 0.6   |

Notes : PAL = period after logging (years)

SD = Standard deviation

P = monitoring period (years)

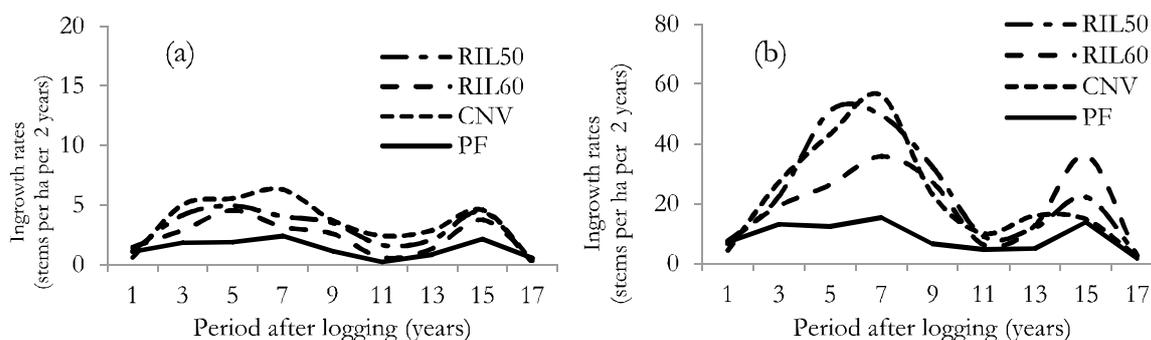


Figure 4. Ingrowth rates (stems per ha per 2 years) of trees with different logging techniques for species group (a) Dipterocarps and (b) non-Dipterocarps

Canopy gap occurred in a logged-over forest can function as a catalyst for tree ingrowth until certain condition. This phenomenon would then decrease due to competition in population (Gourlet-Fleury *et al.* 2005; Kao & Iida 2006), which would explain why natural ingrowth formed in the period of 11-17 years in the forest recovery. Different species group will be affected variably to competition for light based on respective tolerable range (Harcombe *et al.* 2002). Research on forest tree in Peninsular Malaysia showed variations in regenerated tree by class diameter of trees in the logged-over forest area (Seng *et al.* 2004).

### Period after Logging to Mortality and Ingrowth Pattern

Results of analysis of variance (ANOVA) showed that different harvesting techniques had no significant effect on mortality rate and ingrowth rate for all species. However, descriptively, the mortality and ingrowth rates were higher at year-1 and year-3 after logging (Tables 1 and 2). From this study it was indicated that RIL 50 seemed to be the best technique to increase ingrowth rate, but RIL 60 was the selected technique to decrease the mortality rate after logging.

Regression equations were developed to show relationship between after-logging period to

mortality and ingrowth rates for each species group (Table 3). These equations showed that after-logging period correlated with mortality rate in logged-over forest for both Dipterocarps and non-Dipterocarps. Recovery period after logging will affect the level of mortality and ingrowth rates for Dipterocarps, non-Dipterocarps and all species groups (Fig. 4). All species group in logged-over forest had polynomial regression pattern for mortality and ingrowth rates, but ingrowth rates on primary forest had negative exponential pattern.

High mortality rate was shown to happen in Dipterocarps in early years of logging and seemed to be caused by Dipterocarps being a major commercial species. Meanwhile, high mortality rate for non-Dipterocarps seemed to be due to forest area clearing related to skidding trails and logging yard as well as to logging operation.

Mortality rates for Dipterocarps and non-Dipterocarps as either direct or indirect effect of logging was continued until the third year. Ingrowth rates of non-Dipterocarps species group was higher than that of Dipterocarps. This was correlated with general growth or increment characteristics of total tree basal area increment of non-Dipterocarps which was higher than that of Dipterocarps species groups (Silva *et al.* 2002; Susanty & Suhendang 2013).

Table 3. Regression equations between after-logging period (x) to mortality rates (M) and ingrowth rates (I) for Dipterocarps (D), non-Dipterocarps (ND) and all species

| Species grouping |     | Regression equation                                | r      | R <sup>2</sup> | SE     |
|------------------|-----|--|--------|----------------|--------|
| D                | LOF | $y(M) = -0.039x^3 + 1.295x^2 - 13.177x + 43.501$   | 0.8955 | 0.8020         | 4.855  |
|                  |     | $y(I) = 0.011x^3 - 0.3676x^2 + 3.2295x + 0.2946$   | 0.5326 | 0.2837         | 3.552  |
|                  | PF  | $y(M) = 0.0073x^3 - 0.2272x^2 + 1.8366x + 0.8951$  | 0.6448 | 0.4158         | 1.577  |
|                  |     | $y(I) = 5.107e^{-0.133x}$                          | 0.4106 | 0.1686         | 0.371  |
| ND               | LOF | $y(M) = -0.0779x^3 + 2.6842x^2 - 28.4x + 101.3$    | 0.9071 | 0.8229         | 9.985  |
|                  |     | $y(I) = 0.0667x^3 - 2.1667x^2 + 18.792x - 11.094$  | 0.6317 | 0.3990         | 14.765 |
|                  | PF  | $y(M) = 0.0196x^3 - 0.5982x^2 + 4.8012x + 4.3734$  | 0.6118 | 0.3743         | 4.142  |
|                  |     | $y(I) = 13.873e^{-0.082x}$                         | 0.4900 | 0.2401         | 0.339  |
| All species      | LOF | $y(M) = -0.1174x^3 + 3.9793x^2 - 41.577x + 144.81$ | 0.9160 | 0.8391         | 13.686 |
|                  |     | $y(I) = 0.0778x^3 - 2.5343x^2 + 22.022x - 10.799$  | 0.6363 | 0.4049         | 17.288 |
|                  | PF  | $y(M) = 0.0269x^3 - 0.8254x^2 + 6.6378x + 5.2685$  | 0.6375 | 0.4064         | 5.474  |
|                  |     | $y(I) = 17.636e^{-0.078x}$                         | 0.4775 | 0.2280         | 0.3359 |

Notes: LOF : Logged-over forest; PF : Primary Forest; x : after-logging period (years); y(M) : Mortality rates (stems per ha per 2 years); y (I) : Ingrowth rates (stems per ha per 2 years)

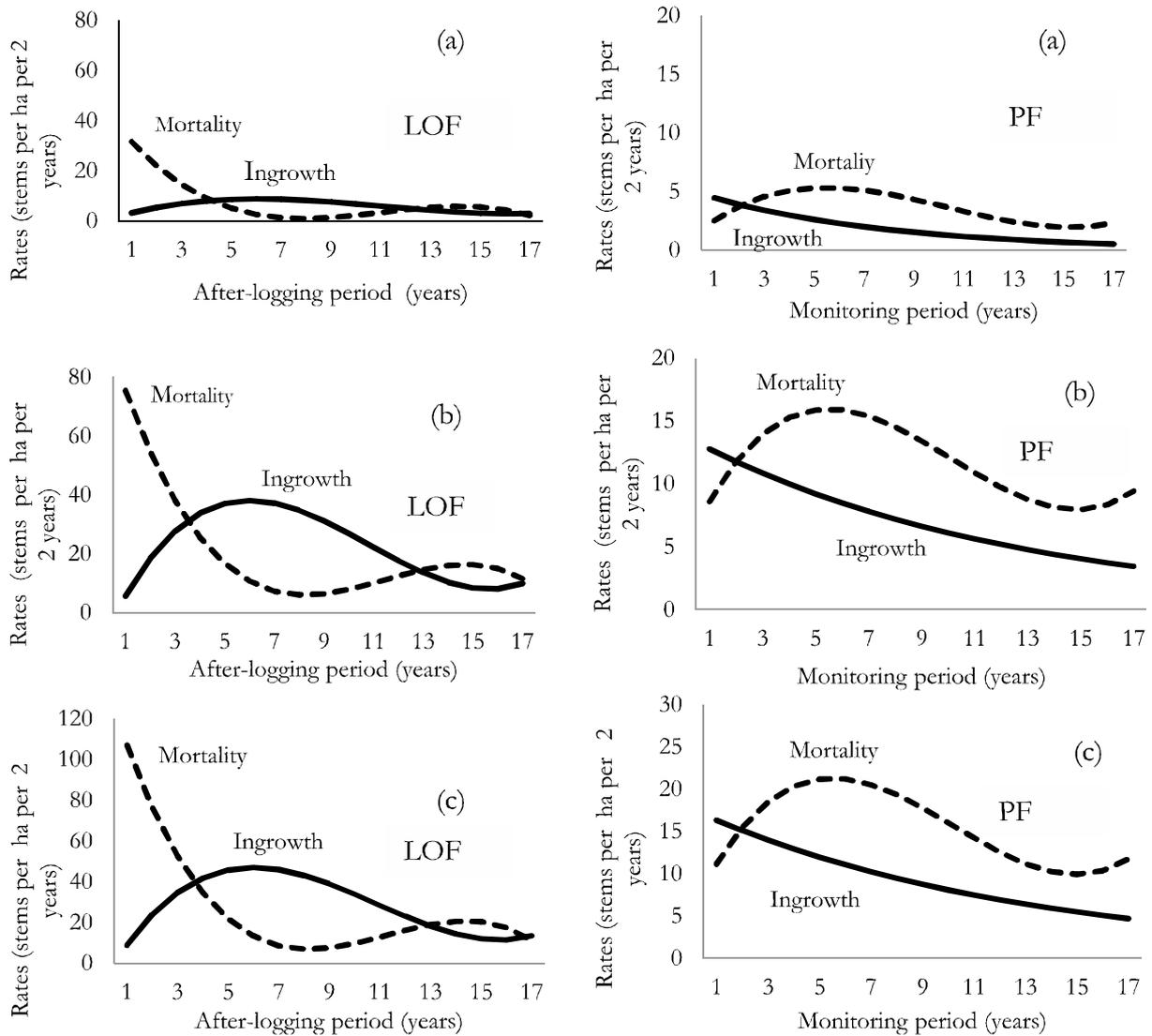


Figure 5. Patterns of mortality and ingrowth rates (stems per ha per 2 years) on logged-over forest (LOF) and primary forest (PF) for species groups (a) Dipterocarps; (b) non-Dipterocarps; (c) all species

Results of regression analysis (Table 3; Fig. 5) showed that after-logging period was significantly correlated to mortality rates for both Dipterocarps and non-Dipterocarps. The function of recovery time after logging would reduce mortality rates from logging effect into natural mortality rates. Ingrowth rates after logging for both Dipterocarps and non-Dipterocarps could not be explained only from recovery time after logging. Opportunity for seedlings and saplings to grow is influenced by biocharacteristics of each species and by distribution pattern (Husch *et al.* 2003; Adam & Kolbs 2005; Gersonde & O'Hara 2005). Natural characteristics of mortality and ingrowth rates shown by primary forest conditions indicated that mortality rate tended to be higher than ingrowth

rate within the 17 years of measurements for both Dipterocarps and non-Dipterocarps. In natural forest, growth will increase the dimension of individual trees while reducing the number of trees due to competition of growing space.

Results from this research provided the first quantitative information for management planning in Labanan forest. To achieve higher ingrowth rate and minimize mortality rate until year-3 after-logging, the Reduced Impact Logging technique (RIL 50 and RIL 60) was better than conventional logging technique. These data serve as basic information needed to start forest management planning and provide useful guide for choosing suitable planning system. This study highlighted the need to consider silviculture treatment to stimulate

growth rates in forest areas, especially to increase wood production. The methods described in this study can be enhanced to involve a more detail species grouping for increasing model accuracy and to accommodate high species diversity (Phillips *et al.* 2002; Valle *et al.* 2006). In Dipterocarp forest, valuation of tree recovery could be assessed by tree structure model, mortality rate and ingrowth rate, involving species characteristic by species grouping.

## CONCLUSIONS

Residual trees in Dipterocarp forest in year-17 after-logging had been well recovered based on density and basal area value that reached more than 85% close to the initial condition. Mortality rates in logged-over forest would be similar to that in the primary forest at year-7 after-logging, while ingrowth rate in logged-over forest would be similar to that in the primary forest at year-17 after- logging. Fluctuations in mortality and ingrowth rates in logged-over forest reached equilibrium conditions at year-7 after-logging. In the subsequent years, ingrowth rate was higher than mortality rate. Fluctuations of mortality and ingrowth rates in the primary forests were relatively low. Recovery period for trees in logged-over forest had an important effect to decrease mortality rates for both Dipterocarps and non-Dipterocarps. Different types of logging techniques (RIL 50, RIL 60 and conventional logging) with variations in logging intensity 7-14 stems per hectare did not have significant influence on recovery of density and basal area value, as well as on mortality and ingrowth rates. The Reduced Impact Logging technique was better than conventional logging technique to achieve higher ingrowth rate and minimize mortality rate until year-3 after-logging. Quantitative dimensions of forest trees at 17 years after logging will be close with the primary forests, but still dominated by the non-Dipterocarps species.

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## Appendix 1. List of species by family in Labanan Forest

| Family                  | Family                  | Family                | Family                |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>Actinidiaceae</i>    | <i>Dilleniaceae</i>     | <i>Moraceae</i>       | <i>Saxifragaceae</i>  |
| <i>Alangiaceae</i>      | <i>Dipterocarpaceae</i> | <i>Myristicaceae</i>  | <i>Simaroubaceae</i>  |
| <i>Amonaceae</i>        | <i>Ebenaceae</i>        | <i>Myrsinaceae</i>    | <i>Sonneratiaceae</i> |
| <i>Anacardiaceae</i>    | <i>Elaeocarpaceae</i>   | <i>Myrtaceae</i>      | <i>Sterculiaceae</i>  |
| <i>Annonaceae</i>       | <i>Euphorbiaceae</i>    | <i>Ochnaceae</i>      | <i>Symplocaceae</i>   |
| <i>Apocynaceae</i>      | <i>Fagaceae</i>         | <i>Oleaceae</i>       | <i>Theaceae</i>       |
| <i>Aquifoliaceae</i>    | <i>Flacourtiaceae</i>   | <i>Oleaceae</i>       | <i>Thymelaeaceae</i>  |
| <i>Araucariaceae</i>    | <i>Clusiaceae</i>       | <i>Oxalidaceae</i>    | <i>Tiliaceae</i>      |
| <i>Bignoniaceae</i>     | <i>Hypericaceae</i>     | <i>Polygalaceae</i>   | <i>Ulmaceae</i>       |
| <i>Bombacaceae</i>      | <i>Icacinaceae</i>      | <i>Proteaceae</i>     | <i>Urticaceae</i>     |
| <i>Burseraceae</i>      | <i>Juglandaceae</i>     | <i>Rhamnaceae</i>     | <i>Verbenaceae</i>    |
| <i>Caesalpiniaceae</i>  | <i>Lauraceae</i>        | <i>Rhizophoraceae</i> |                       |
| <i>Celastraceae</i>     | <i>Lecythidaceae</i>    | <i>Rosaceae</i>       |                       |
| <i>Chrysobalanaceae</i> | <i>Fabaceae</i>         | <i>Rubiaceae</i>      |                       |
| <i>Combretaceae</i>     | <i>Loganiaceae</i>      | <i>Rutaceae</i>       |                       |
| <i>Connaraceae</i>      | <i>Lythraceae</i>       | <i>Sapindaceae</i>    |                       |
| <i>Convolvulaceae</i>   | <i>Magnoliaceae</i>     | <i>Sapotaceae</i>     |                       |
| <i>Crypteroniaceae</i>  | <i>Melastomataceae</i>  | <i>Sapuidaceae</i>    |                       |
| <i>Datisaceae</i>       | <i>Meliaceae</i>        | <i>Sarcotheca</i>     |                       |

## Appendix 2. List of Dipterocarps species

| No | Species                                | No | Species                                |
|----|--|----|--|
| 1  | <i>Anisoptera costata</i>              | 47 | <i>Shorea bentongenensis</i>           |
| 2  | <i>Anisoptera laevis</i>               | 48 | <i>Shorea confusa</i>                  |
| 3  | <i>Anisoptera</i> sp                   | 49 | <i>Shorea exelliptica</i>              |
| 4  | <i>Cotylelobium melanoxyton</i>        | 50 | <i>Shorea faguettiana</i>              |
| 5  | <i>Cotylelobium</i> sp                 | 51 | <i>Shorea falciferoides</i>            |
| 6  | <i>Dipterocarpus acutangulus</i>       | 52 | <i>Shorea fallax</i>                   |
| 7  | <i>Dipterocarpus caudiferus</i>        | 53 | <i>Shorea guiso</i>                    |
| 8  | <i>Dipterocarpus confertus</i>         | 54 | <i>Shorea hopeifolia</i>               |
| 9  | <i>Dipterocarpus conformis</i>         | 55 | <i>Shorea inappendiculata</i>          |
| 10 | <i>Dipterocarpus costulatus</i>        | 56 | <i>Shorea johorensis</i>               |
| 11 | <i>Dipterocarpus elongatus</i>         | 57 | <i>Shorea laevis</i>                   |
| 12 | <i>Dipterocarpus fusiformis</i>        | 58 | <i>Shorea lamellata</i>                |
| 13 | <i>Dipterocarpus glabrigemmatulus</i>  | 59 | <i>Shorea leprosula</i>                |
| 14 | <i>Dipterocarpus gracilis</i>          | 60 | <i>Shorea leptoderma</i>               |
| 15 | <i>Dipterocarpus grandiflorus</i>      | 61 | <i>Shorea longisperma</i>              |
| 16 | <i>Dipterocarpus hasseltii</i>         | 62 | <i>Shorea macrophylla</i>              |
| 17 | <i>Dipterocarpus humeratus</i>         | 63 | <i>Shorea macroptera</i>               |
| 18 | <i>Dipterocarpus mundus</i>            | 64 | <i>Shorea maxwelliana</i>              |
| 19 | <i>Dipterocarpus pachyphyllus</i>      | 65 | <i>Shorea mecistopteryx</i>            |
| 20 | <i>Dipterocarpus palembanica</i>       | 66 | <i>Shorea multiflora</i>               |
| 21 | <i>Dipterocarpus stellatus</i>         | 67 | <i>Shorea ochracea</i>                 |
| 22 | <i>Dipterocarpus tempehes</i>          | 68 | <i>Shorea ovalis</i> ssp <i>ovalis</i> |
| 23 | <i>Dipterocarpus verrucosus</i>        | 69 | <i>Shorea parvifolia</i>               |
| 24 | <i>Dipterocarpus</i> sp                | 70 | <i>Shorea parvistipulata</i>           |
| 25 | <i>Dryobalanops beccarii</i>           | 71 | <i>Shorea patoiensis</i>               |
| 26 | <i>Dryobalanops lanceolata</i>         | 72 | <i>Shorea pauciflora</i>               |
| 27 | <i>Dryobalanops</i> sp                 | 73 | <i>Shorea pinanga</i>                  |
| 28 | <i>Hopea bracteata</i>                 | 74 | <i>Shorea scrobiculata</i>             |
| 29 | <i>Hopea cernua</i>                    | 75 | <i>Shorea semicuneata</i>              |
| 30 | <i>Hopea dryobalanoides</i>            | 76 | <i>Shorea seminis</i>                  |
| 31 | <i>Hopea ferruginea</i>                | 77 | <i>Shorea smithiana</i>                |
| 32 | <i>Hopea mengarawan</i>                | 78 | <i>Shorea superba</i>                  |
| 33 | <i>Hopea nervosa</i>                   | 79 | <i>Shorea symingtonii</i>              |
| 34 | <i>Hopea pachycarpa</i>                | 80 | <i>Shorea virescens</i>                |
| 35 | <i>Hopea rudiformis</i>                | 81 | <i>Shorea xanthophylla</i>             |
| 36 | <i>Hopea sangal</i>                    | 82 | <i>Shorea</i> sp                       |
| 37 | <i>Hopea semicuneata</i>               | 83 | <i>Vatica albiramis</i>                |
| 38 | <i>Hopea</i> sp                        | 84 | <i>Vatica micrantha</i>                |
| 39 | <i>Parashorea malaanonan</i>           | 85 | <i>Vatica nitens</i>                   |
| 40 | <i>Parashorea smythiesii</i>           | 86 | <i>Vatica oblongifolia</i>             |
| 41 | <i>Parashorea</i> sp                   | 87 | <i>Vatica odorata</i>                  |
| 42 | <i>Shorea agamii</i> ssp <i>agamii</i> | 88 | <i>Vatica rassak</i>                   |
| 43 | <i>Shorea almon</i>                    | 89 | <i>Vatica sarawakensis</i>             |
| 44 | <i>Shorea angustifolia</i>             | 90 | <i>Vatica umbonata</i>                 |
| 45 | <i>Shorea atrinervosa</i>              | 91 | <i>Vatica vinosa</i>                   |
| 46 | <i>Shorea beccariana</i>               | 92 | <i>Vatica</i> sp                       |