

Design Of Fixture To Optimise Process Plan Of Aerospace Component

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Abstract- A missile is a self-propelled guided destructive weapon system. Missiles have four system components: targeting and guidance, flight system, engine, and warhead. These weapons come in various types adapted for different applications: surface-to-surface, air-to-surface (ballistic, cruise, anti-ship, anti-tank), surface-to-air (anti-aircraft and anti-ballistic), air-to-air, and anti-satellite missiles. And missile shield protects the missile by acting as a shield for the entire body. The detailed study of missile shield design and process planning is to be done. The missile shield is aerospace component it requires accurate machining and high finishing, and it is typical to manufacture in 3-axis machines, and it is highly impossible using 3-jaw chuck or machine vice for holding missile shield rigidly. To manufacture missile shield as per requirement with accurate dimension it demands a fixture to design considering the part holding points. It requires a designed fixture and clamping to hold the part rigidly. If the part is fixed rigidly easily, we can obtain smooth surfaces on the part. The main concept of this project is to optimize process plan and creating a 3D model using Unigraphics software. Generating NC program of missile shield using NX-CAM software which is exclusively CAM software used to generate a part program by feeding the geometry of the component and defining the proper tool path and thus transferring the generated part program to the required CNC machine with the help of DNC lines. As per the suitable requirements, the operator executes the program. The project deals with optimizing process plan by specifying appropriate tools, developing tools design if demanded.

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DESIGNING FIXTURE FOR MISSILE SHIELD

Fixtures precisely locate and secure a part during machining operations such that the part can be manufactured to design specifications. The optimization of the design costs is associated with fixturing design; various computer-aided fixture design methods have been introduced through the past years to assist the fixture designer. Automated fixture design systems development is processed by using the fixture layout design. The task of fixture layout design is to layout a set of locating & clamping points on work-piece surfaces such that the work-piece is accurately located & completely restrained during manufacturing operations. Fixtures accurately locate and secure a part during machining operations such that the part can be manufactured to design specifications. To optimize the design costs related with fixturing design, various computer-aided fixture design (CAFD) methods have been developed through the years to assist the fixture designer.

FIXTURE DESIGN CONCEPTS: (MANAGING DEGREE OF FREEDOM)

3:2:1 (3 At least 3-Point to define a plane) (2 At least 2-Points to define location) (1 At least 1-point for clamping) Fixture layout design has received considerable attention in the recent years. However, little attention has focused on the optimization of manufacturing fixture layout under dynamic conditions of the work-piece.

2. COMPUTER-AIDED DESIGN (CAD)

Computer-aided design (CAD), also known as computer-aided design and drafting (CADD), is the use of computer systems to assist in the creation, modification,

I. INTRODUCTION

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analysis, or optimization of the design. Computer-aided drafting describes the sequence of creating a technical drawing with the use of computer software. CAD software is mainly used to increase the productivity of the designer, improve communications through documentation, improve the quality of design, and the database is created for manufacturing. CAD output is often in the form of electronic files for print or machining operations. CAD software uses either vector based graphics to depict the objects of traditional drafting, or may also produce raster graphics showing the overall appearance of designed objects.

COMPUTER-AIDED MANUFACTURING (CAM)

Computer-aided manufacturing is the use of computer software to control machine tools and related machinery in the manufacturing of work-pieces. This is not the only definition for CAM, but it is the most common; CAM may also refer to the use of a computer to assist in all operations of a manufacturing plant including planning, management, transportation, storage. Its primary purpose to create a faster production process and components and to tool with more precise dimensions and material consistency, which in some cases, uses only the required amount of raw material (thus minimizing waste), while simultaneously reducing energy consumption. CAM is a subsequent computer-aided process after computer-aided design (CAD) and sometimes computer-aided engineering (CAE), as the model generated in CAD and verified in CAE can be input into CAM software, which then controls the machine tool. Integration of CAD with other components of CAD/CAE/CAM Product lifecycle management (PLM) environment requires an effective CAD data exchange. Usually, it had been necessary to force the CAD operator to export the data in one of the common data formats, such as IGES or STL, that are supported by a wide variety of software. The output from the CAM software is the simple text file of G-code, sometimes many thousands of commands long, that is then transferred to a machine tool using a direct numerical control (DNC) program.

3. NUMERICAL CONTROL (NC)

Numerical control refers to the automation of machine tools that are operated by abstractly programmed commands encoded on a storage medium, as opposed to controlled manually via hand wheels or levers, or mechanically automated via cams alone. The first NC machines are built-in the 1940s and 1950s, based on existing tools that are modified with motors that moved the controls to follow points fed into the system on punched tape. These early servo mechanisms were rapidly augmented with analogue and digital computers, creating the modern computer numerical

control (CNC) machine tools that have revolutionized the machining processes.

4. COMPUTER NUMERICAL CONTROL

Computer Numerical Control (CNC) is one in which the functions and motions of a machine tool are controlled using a prepared program which contains coded alphanumeric data. CNC controls the movements of the tool or the input parameters such as feed, depth of cut, speed, and work-piece the functions such as turning the spindle on/off, turning coolant on/off.

5. UNIGRAPHICS INTRODUCTION

NX software is most advanced and tightly integrated CAD/CAM/CAE product NX is a premier 3D computer-aided design suite. It enables you to model solid components and assemblies, to perform engineering analyses such as stress analysis and mechanism simulation, to create tool paths for computer-based manufacturing processes and to perform numerous other engineering design activities in a single software environment. Software suites like NX are referred to as PLM.

II. LITERATURE SURVEY ON FIXTURES

Pollack, 1976 [1] A Fixture is a work-piece locating and holding device used for machine tools, inspection, welding and assembly; it does not control the position of the tool or instrument which is being used.

- Elements of the Jig or Fixture should be present which Support the work and elements called locators, which Position the work
- Once located and positioned, the work is clamped so that it will not move off the locators or supports.

Burley and Corbett, 1998 [2] A Jig is defined as a manufacturing aid that either holds a part or is itself located on the part and is fitted with devices to guide a cutting tool ensuring the correct location of the machining path relative to the part

- A Fixture is a manufacturing aid for holding and locating parts during machining or assembly operations, which do not provide definitive guidance for the cutting tools
- Tooling is used as the generic name for jigs and fixtures and also the tools set from the master gauges for calibrating jigs and fixtures
- Hence, Jig less Assembly is assembly without the use of jigs; it requires that parts are manufactured to sufficient

Below image shows 3D models of missile shield

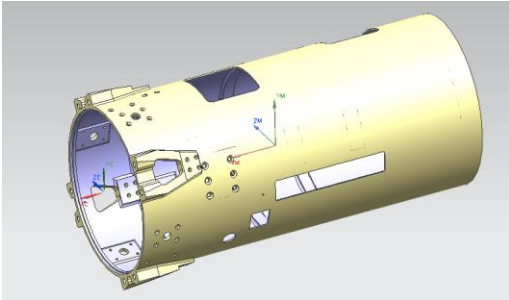


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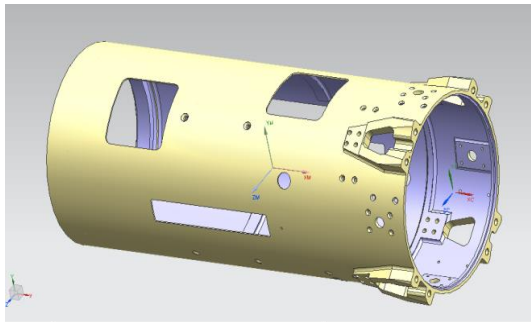


Figure 6. models of missile shield

IV. COMPUTER AIDED MANUFACTURING

Methodology used in manufacturing of missile shield is as mentioned below

- Identifying suitable machine.
- Selecting suitable tools for manufacturing the thinly walled component.
- Designing fixture/mandrel to support missile shield component for external operations.
- Listing down the Sequence of operations performed on missile shield component.
- Generating tool path at specified cutting speed.
- Generating NC program using the NX-CAM software.

1) IDENTIFY SUITABLE MACHINE TYPES OF CNC MACHINE USED IN THIS PROJECT

MORI SEIKI 4-AXIS CNC turning machine is used for machining missile shield. DMG MORI SEIKI offers the industry's best line-up of high-performance lathes with better precision and rigidity, greater multi-axis compatibility and smaller footprints. High rigidity with Integrated Turning Spindle. The spindle is directly coupled to the motor. Rigid Turret with BIM (Built-In Motor) Technology. Directly coupled Integrated driven tools. In a patent technology. Y-axis machining, Up to 100mm (+/-50). 4-axes simultaneous machining, C-axis with 360 deg and Y-axis, Machine

accuracies, Positional Accuracy $\pm 0.005\text{mm}$, Repeatability $\pm 0.003\text{mm}$. In 4-axis turning machine, Axis represents as work-piece rotation and spindle movement in x, y, z directions.

2. GENERATING TOOL PATH ON MISSILE SHIELD

The series of movements made by the tip of a cutting tool. X and Z codes indicate the tool path in a part program. The path through the space that the tip of a cutting tool follows on its way producing the desired geometry of the work-piece. Below image shows Raw material and part of missile shield

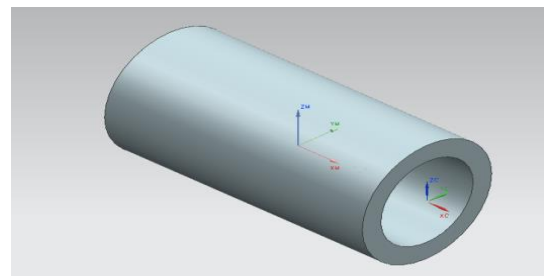


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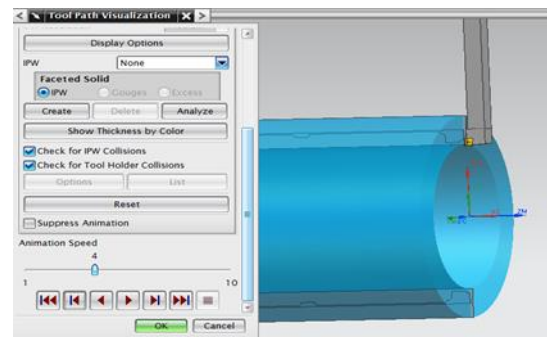


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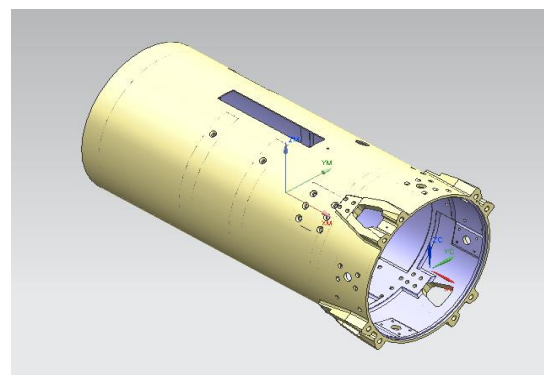


Figure 9. Raw material and part of missile shield

Set_up_1 tool path generation

Set_up_2

Below image shows Raw material for setup_2 turning

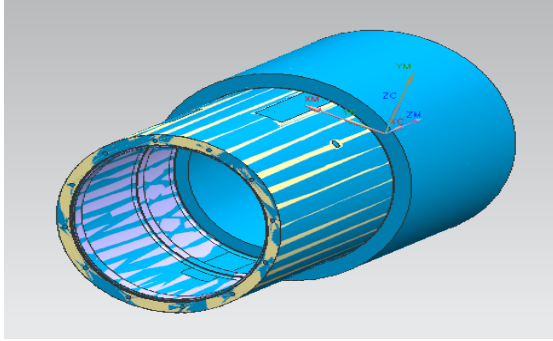


Figure 10.

In setup_2 raw material will be the semi-finished part which means the part left after setup_1 operations.

Milling operations

Below image shows Raw material for milling

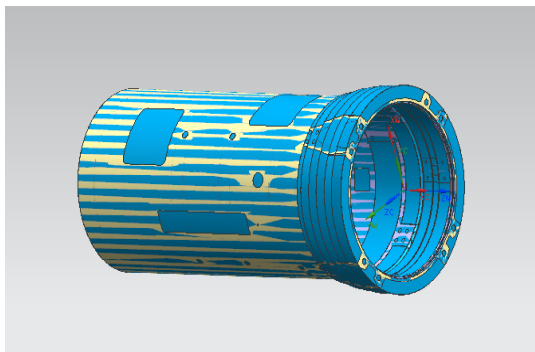


Figure 11.

Raw material for milling

Below image shows planar mill operations

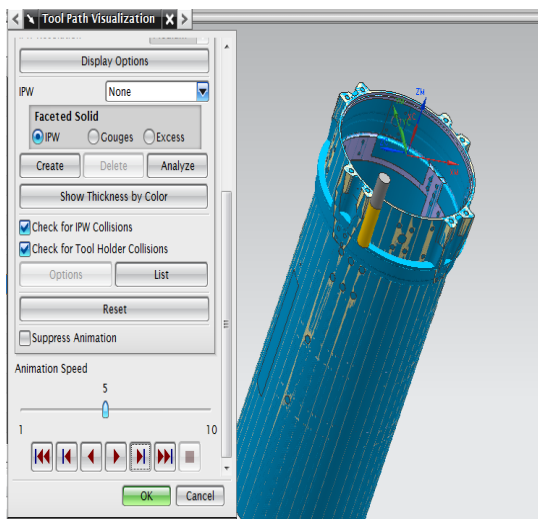


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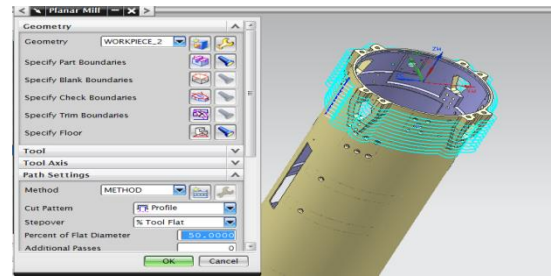


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Planar mill operations

Below image shows planar mill operations

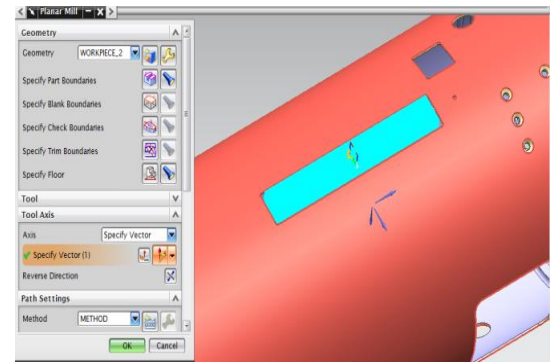


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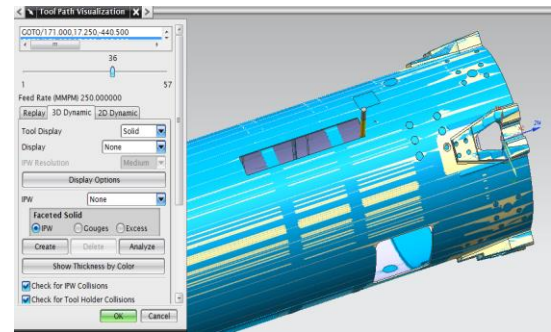


Figure 15. planar mill operations

Below image shows drilling operations

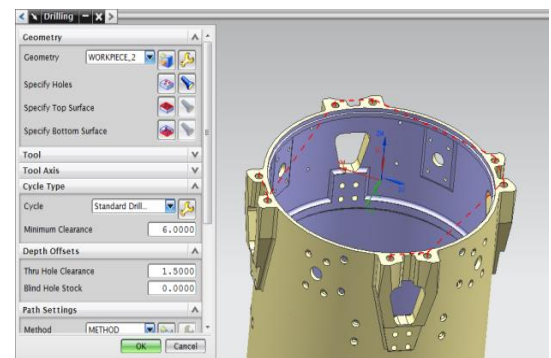


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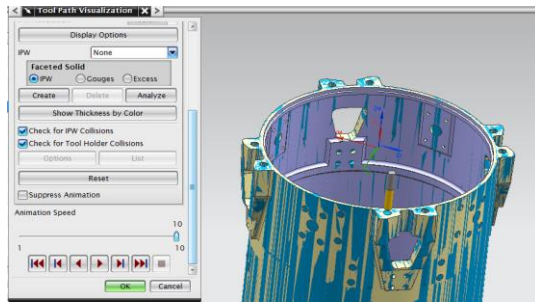


Figure 17. Drilling operations

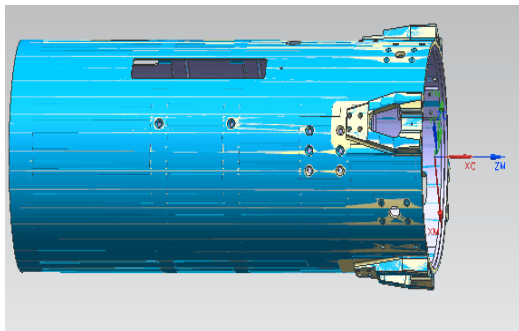


Figure 18. Final part of operation

Table 1. List of operations and tool name

Operation name	Operation type	Tool name
Facing	Turning/facing	Od 80 1
Rough turn od	Turning/rough turn od	Od 80 1
Rough bore id	Turning/rough bore id	Id 80 1
Groove id	Turning/groove id	Id groove 1
Facing 1	Turning/facing	Od 80 1 1
Rough turn od 1	Turning/rough turn od	Od 80 1 1
Finish turn od	Turning/finish turn od	Od 55 1
Groove od	Turning/groove od	Od groove 1
Rough bore id 1	Turning/rough bore id	Id 80 1 1
Groove id 1	Turning/groove id	Id groove 1 1
Groove id 2	Turning/groove id	Id groove 1 2
Groove id 3	Turning/groove id	Id groove 1 1
Planar mill	Mill planar/planar mill	Mill
Planar mill 1	Mill planar/planar mill	Mill 1
Face milling area	Mill planar/face milling area	Mill 2
Planar mill 2	Mill planar/planar mill	Mill 3
Planar mill 3	Mill planar/planar mill	Mill 4
Face milling area instance	Mill planar/face milling area	Mill 2
Face milling area instance 1	Mill planar/face milling area	Mill 2
Face milling area instance 2	Mill planar/face milling area	Mill 2
Face milling area instance 3	Mill planar/face milling area	Mill 2
Planar mill 2 instance	Mill planar/planar mill	Mill 3
Planar mill 2 instance 1	Mill planar/planar mill	Mill 3
Planar mill 2 instance 2	Mill planar/planar mill	Mill 3
Planar mill 2 instance 3	Mill planar/planar mill	Mill 3
Planar mill 3 instance 1	Mill planar/planar mill	Mill 4
Planar mill 3 instance 2	Mill planar/planar mill	Mill 4
Planar mill 3 instance 3	Mill planar/planar mill	Mill 4
Planar mill 4	Mill planar/planar mill	Mill 5
Planar mill 5	Mill planar/planar mill	Mill 6
Planar mill 6	Mill planar/planar mill	Mill 7
Planar mill 5 instance	Mill planar/planar mill	Mill 6
Planar mill 7	Mill planar/planar mill	Mill 8
Planar mill 8	Mill planar/planar mill	T cutter
Planar mill 8 instance	Mill planar/planar mill	T cutter
Planar mill 8 instance 1	Mill planar/planar mill	T cutter
Planar mill 8 instance 2	Mill planar/planar mill	T cutter
Planar mill 8 instance 3	Mill planar/planar mill	T cutter
Planar mill 9	Mill planar/planar mill	T cutter
Planar mill 10	Mill planar/planar mill	T cutter
Planar mill 11	Mill planar/planar mill	T cutter
Planar mill 12	Mill planar/planar mill	T cutter

Planar mill 13	Mill planar/planar mill	T cutter
Planar mill 14	Mill planar/planar mill	T cutter
Drilling 1	Drill drilling	Drilling tool 1
Drilling 2	Drill drilling	Drilling tool 2
Drilling 2 instance	Drill drilling	Drilling tool 2
Drilling 2 instance 1	Drill drilling	Drilling tool 2
Drilling 2 instance 2	Drill drilling	Drilling tool 2
Drilling 2 instance 3	Drill drilling	Drilling tool 2
Drilling 3	Drill drilling	Drilling tool 3
Countersinking	Drill/countersinking	Countersinking tool
Countersinking 1	Drill/countersinking	Countersinking tool
Countersinking 2	Drill/countersinking	Countersinking tool
Drilling 4	Drill drilling	Drilling tool 4
Drilling 5	Drill drilling	Drilling tool 2
Drilling 6	Drill drilling	Drilling tool 2
Countersinking 3	Drill/countersinking	Countersinking tool 1
Countersinking 4	Drill/countersinking	Countersinking tool 1
Drilling 7	Drill drilling	Drilling tool 5
Drilling 8	Drill drilling	Drilling tool 5
Drilling 9	Drill drilling	Drilling tool 2
Drilling 10	Drill drilling	Drilling tool 2
Countersinking 5	Drill/countersinking	Countersinking tool
Countersinking 6	Drill/countersinking	Countersinking tool
Drilling 11	Drill drilling	Drilling tool 6

Table 2. List of operations and tool name

Name	To...	P...	Tool	Time	Feed	Speed
PROGRAM				13:41:34		
FACING	✓		OD_80_L	00:00:10	8 mmpr	3000 rpm
ROUGH_TURN_OD	✓		OD_80_L	00:03:01	5 mmpr	2600 rpm
ROUGH_BORE_ID	✓		ID_80_L	00:02:16	45 mmpr	2560 rpm
GROOVE_ID	✓		ID_GROOVE_L	00:01:36	4 mmpr	2600 rpm
FACING_1	✓		OD_80_L_1	00:00:08	9 mmpr	2900 rpm
ROUGH_TURN_OD_1	✓		OD_80_L_1	00:00:59	7 mmpr	2700 rpm
FINISH_TURN_OD	✓		OD_55_L	00:00:05	4 mmpr	2650 rpm
GROOVE_OD	✓		OD_GROOVE_L	00:01:15	4 mmpr	2540 rpm
ROUGH_BORE_ID_1	✓		ID_80_L_1	00:01:36	5 mmpr	2540 rpm
GROOVE_ID_1	✓		ID_GROOVE_L_1	00:00:08	5 mmpr	2800 rpm
GROOVE_ID_2	✓		ID_GROOVE_L_2	00:00:08	4 mmpr	2400 rpm
GROOVE_ID_3	✓		ID_GROOVE_L_1	00:00:15	55 mmpr	2600 rpm
PLANAR_MILL	✓		MILL	01:02:15	260 mmmp	3500 rpm
PLANAR_MILL_1	✓		MILL_1	01:00:39	260 mmmp	3500 rpm
FACE_MILLING_AREA	✓		MILL_2	00:03:30	250 mmmp	2350 rpm
PLANAR_MILL_2	✓		MILL_3	00:20:36	240 mmmp	2150 rpm
PLANAR_MILL_3	✓		MILL_4	00:13:00	261 mmmp	2347 rpm
FACE_MILLING_ARE...	✓		MILL_2	00:03:30	250 mmmp	2350 rpm
FACE_MILLING_ARE...	✓		MILL_2	00:03:30	250 mmmp	2350 rpm
FACE_MILLING_ARE...	✓		MILL_2	00:03:30	250 mmmp	2350 rpm
FACE_MILLING_ARE...	✓		MILL_2	00:03:30	250 mmmp	2350 rpm
PLANAR_MILL_2_IN...	✓		MILL_3	00:20:36	240 mmmp	2150 rpm
PLANAR_MILL_2_IN...	✓		MILL_3	00:20:36	240 mmmp	2150 rpm
PLANAR_MILL_2_IN...	✓		MILL_3	00:20:36	240 mmmp	2150 rpm
PLANAR_MILL_3_IN...	✓		MILL_4	00:13:00	261 mmmp	2347 rpm
PLANAR_MILL_3_IN...	✓		MILL_4	00:13:00	261 mmmp	2347 rpm
PLANAR_MILL_3_IN...	✓		MILL_4	00:13:00	261 mmmp	2347 rpm
PLANAR_MILL_4	✓		MILL_5	00:36:26	270 mmmp	2620 rpm
PLANAR_MILL_5	✓		MILL_6	02:11:11	268 mmmp	3100 rpm
PLANAR_MILL_6	✓		MILL_7	00:12:19	260 mmmp	2800 rpm
PLANAR_MILL_5_IN...	✓		MILL_8	02:11:11	268 mmmp	3100 rpm
PLANAR_MILL_7	✓		MILL_8	00:49:15	267 mmmp	3150 rpm
PLANAR_MILL_8	✓		T_CUTTER	00:11:23	250 mmmp	2900 rpm
PLANAR_MILL_8_IN...	✓		T_CUTTER	00:11:23	250 mmmp	2900 rpm
PLANAR_MILL_8_IN...	✓		T_CUTTER	00:11:23	250 mmmp	2900 rpm
PLANAR_MILL_8_IN...	✓		T_CUTTER	00:11:23	250 mmmp	2900 rpm
PLANAR_MILL_9	✓		T_CUTTER	00:07:34	250 mmmp	2900 rpm
PLANAR_MILL_10	✓		T_CUTTER	00:05:14	250 mmmp	2900 rpm
PLANAR_MILL_11	✓		T_CUTTER	00:03:16	250 mmmp	2900 rpm
PLANAR_MILL_12	✓		T_CUTTER	00:04:43	250 mmmp	2900 rpm
PLANAR_MILL_13	✓		T_CUTTER	00:14:15	250 mmmp	2900 rpm
PLANAR_MILL_14	✓		T_CUTTER	00:19:06	250 mmmp	2900 rpm
DRILLING	✓		DRILLING_TOOL	00:01:24	240 mmmp	2640 rpm
DRILLING_1	✓		DRILLING_TOO...	00:02:27	240 mmmp	2640 rpm
DRILLING_2	✓		DRILLING_TOO...	00:00:29	240 mmmp	2640 rpm
DRILLING_2_INSTA...	✓		DRILLING_TOO...	00:00:29	240 mmmp	2640 rpm
DRILLING_2_INSTA...	✓		DRILLING_TOO...	00:00:29	240 mmmp	2640 rpm
DRILLING_2_INSTA...	✓		DRILLING_TOO...	00:00:29	240 mmmp	2640 rpm
DRILLING_3	✓		DRILLING_TOO...	00:08:14	240 mmmp	2640 rpm
COUNTERSINKING	✓		COUNTERSINKI...	00:01:02	230 mmmp	2600 rpm
COUNTERSINKING_1	✓		COUNTERSINKI...	00:01:02	230 mmmp	2600 rpm
COUNTERSINKING_2	✓		COUNTERSINKI...	00:01:02	230 mmmp	2600 rpm
DRILLING_4	✓		DRILLING_TOO...	00:00:48	240 mmmp	2640 rpm
DRILLING_5	✓		DRILLING_TOO...	00:00:32	240 mmmp	2640 rpm
DRILLING_6	✓		DRILLING_TOO...	00:00:32	240 mmmp	2640 rpm
COUNTERSINKING_3	✓		COUNTERSINKI...	00:00:18	230 mmmp	2600 rpm
COUNTERSINKING_4	✓		COUNTERSINKI...	00:00:18	230 mmmp	2600 rpm
DRILLING_7	✓		DRILLING_TOO...	00:00:04	240 mmmp	2640 rpm
DRILLING_8	✓		DRILLING_TOO...	00:00:04	240 mmmp	2640 rpm
DRILLING_9	✓		DRILLING_TOO...	00:00:12	240 mmmp	2640 rpm
DRILLING_10	✓		DRILLING_TOO...	00:00:12	240 mmmp	2640 rpm
COUNTERSINKING_5	✓		COUNTERSINKI...	00:00:07	230 mmmp	2600 rpm
COUNTERSINKING_6	✓		COUNTERSINKI...	00:00:07	230 mmmp	2600 rpm
DRILLING_11	✓		DRILLING_TOO...	00:00:06	240 mmmp	2640 rpm

V. RESULTS

Manufacturing of missile shield without fixture

Time taken to manufacture a single component without fixture on CNC machine = 13hr 41min 34sec=822min
 If the time in seconds is above 30 then it is taken as 1min, if it is below 30 then it is exception

Manufacturing cost of CNC machine per hour = 1200rs/hr
 Manufacturing cost of single missile shield =(1200/60)*822= 16440rs

Direct Labour Cost = $T_m * \text{Man Hour Rate Rs.}$

Man Hour Rate = 500 Rs.

$T_m = \text{machining time}$

$T_m = (822/60) \text{ hours} = 13.7\text{hrs}$

$T_m = 13.7 * 500 = 6850 \text{ Rs.}$

machining type	time required to machining	machine cost/hr	raw material cost-r	labour cost-l	manufacturing cost-m	total cost of part (r+l+m)
milling machine	13hr 41min 34sec	1200	1040	6850	16440	24330

Table 3.

Total cost of part =raw material cost + labour cost +manufacturing cost =
 1040+6850+16440= 24330rs

Manufacturing of Missile shield with fixture

Time taken to manufacture a single component with fixture on CNC machine = 8hr 51min 59sec=532min

If the time in seconds is above 30 then it is taken as 1min, if it is below 30 then it is exception

Manufacturing cost of CNC machine per hour = 1200rs
 Machining cost per piece (machining cost per min x machining time in min)= (1200/60)*532= 10640rs
 Manufacturing cost of single missile shield= 10640rs

Direct Labour Cost = $T_m * \text{Man Hour Rate Rs.}$

Man Hour Rate = 500 Rs.

$T_m = \text{machining time}$

$T_m = (532/60) \text{ hrs} = 8.9\text{hrs}$

Direct Labour Cost = $8.9 * 500 = 4450 \text{ Rs.}$

Table 4. Cost of estimation

Machining type	Time required to machining	Machine cost/hr	Raw material Cost	Labour Cost	Manufacturing Cost	Total cost of part
Milling machine	8hr 51min 59sec	1200	1040	4450	10640	16130

Graphical representation

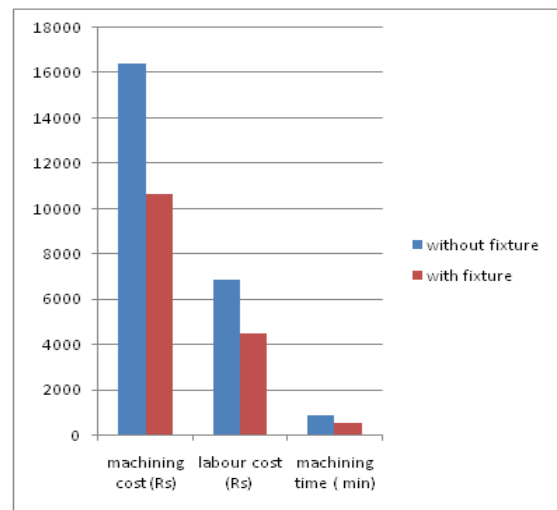


Figure 24.

VI. CONCLUSION

It is complicated to manufacture missile shield with 3-jaw chuck because it cannot hold the part rigidly for machining slots around the missile shield. The number of parts is rejected. Manufacturing time, labour cost, manufacturing cost was reduced Using designed fixture. Inspection charts are shown in report Graphical representation of reduction of time and cost are in and shown in results. There is a drastic reduction of reworks and rejection rate using designed fixture.

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