COMPREHENSIVE SUSTAINABILITY SOLUTIONS REPORT

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ECU COMPONENT ANALYSIS

Based on the ECU sample input data:

ENVIRONMENTAL HOTSPOT PRIORITY RANKING

1. Aluminium Die Casting

Life Cycle Phase: production

Environmental Significance: high

Impact Category: Material Extraction and Processing

Impact Source: Radiator production

Quantitative Impact: 160.1g Aluminium

Priority Justification: High weight of aluminium used in radiator production

Description: The production of the radiator component using aluminium material through die casting may have significant environmental impacts related to material extraction and processing.

2. PBT Injection Molding

Life Cycle Phase: production

Environmental Significance: medium

Impact Category: Material Extraction and Processing

Impact Source: Housing production

Quantitative Impact: 37.45g PBT

Priority Justification: Medium weight of PBT used in housing production

Description: The production of the housing component using PBT material through injection molding may have environmental impacts related to material extraction and processing.

3. PCBA Production

Life Cycle Phase: production

Environmental Significance: medium

Impact Category: Material Extraction and Processing

Impact Source: PCBA production

Quantitative Impact: 40.7g PCB + 61.8g soldered components

Priority Justification: Medium weight of materials used in PCBA production

Description: The production of the PCBA component using various materials through THT and SMD soldering may have environmental impacts related to material extraction and processing.

4. Steel Punching and Bending

Life Cycle Phase: production

Environmental Significance: low

Impact Category: Material Extraction and Processing

Impact Source: EMC Shield production

Quantitative Impact: 30.5g Steel

Priority Justification: Low weight of steel used in EMC Shield production

Description: The production of the EMC Shield component using steel material through punching and bending may have relatively low environmental impacts related to material extraction and processing.

RESEARCH-BASED SUSTAINABILITY SOLUTIONS

Aluminium Die Casting

Papers with Quantitative Sustainability Data:

An Innovative Line Balancing for the Aluminium Melting Process (http://arxiv.org/pdf/2504.02857v1)

QUANTITATIVE FINDINGS:

1. 118% increase in output percentage
2. 117.6% growth in marginal daily profit
3. USD67,786/day net profit margin
4. 50% increase in labor costs
5. USD28,800 maximum profit margin per casting cycle of 36 rods
6. USD800/rod profit margin
7. 4.36 times/day production output after optimization
8. 2 times/day production output before optimization

TECHNOLOGIES/METHODS:

1. Mixed Integer Linear Programming (MILP) for line balancing
2. Lean Methodology for process optimization
3. Industrial Engineering for resource allocation and layout design

PROCESS IMPROVEMENTS:

1. Optimization of melting furnace and melting tank operations
2. Increased daily output rates from 2 to 4.36 cycles
3. Reduction of idle time for melting furnaces
4. Improved production flow through balanced workload

RELEVANCE TO Aluminium_Die_Casting:

Although the paper focuses on aluminium extrusion, the principles of line balancing, process optimization, and energy efficiency can be applied to Aluminium_Die_Casting. The paper's discussion on melting furnace optimization, temperature control, and idle time reduction may be relevant to the die casting process, which also involves melting and casting of aluminium. However, the specific quantitative findings may not be directly applicable due to differences in process characteristics and material properties. Further analysis would be required to determine the potential for adapting these optimizations to the Aluminium_Die_Casting hotspot.

Optimization of Solidification in Die Casting using Numerical

Simulations and Machine Learning (PDF: http://arxiv.org/pdf/1901.02364v2)

QUANTITATIVE FINDINGS:

1. Solidification time reduction: 1.99 s (achieved through optimization)
2. Max Grain Size reduction: 22.39 µm (achieved through optimization)
3. Min Yield Strength improvement: 137.95 MPa (achieved through optimization)
4. Temperature optimization: Initial temperature of 1015.8 K and wall temperatures ranging from 500.7 K to 643.6 K
5. Energy consumption reduction: Not explicitly stated, but the optimization process aims to improve process efficiency
6. Local sensitivity reduction: The chosen design has a minimal local sensitivity norm, indicating reduced sensitivity to input variations

TECHNOLOGIES/METHODS:

1. Numerical simulations using finite volume method
2. Machine learning using neural networks

3. Multi-objective optimization using NSGA-II algorithm
4. Genetic algorithm for single-objective optimization

PROCESS IMPROVEMENTS:

1. Optimization of solidification process in die casting
2. Improvement in product quality through grain size and yield strength control
3. Reduction in solidification time, leading to increased productivity

RELEVANCE TO Aluminium_Die_Casting:

The paper directly addresses the optimization of the solidification process in die casting, which is relevant to the Aluminium_Die_Casting hotspot. The optimization of initial and wall temperatures can lead to improved product quality, reduced solidification time, and increased productivity. The use of numerical simulations, machine learning, and multi-objective optimization algorithms can be applied to the Aluminium_Die_Casting process to achieve similar improvements.

MATERIAL COMPATIBILITY ANALYSIS:

The paper focuses on aluminum alloys, which are commonly used in die casting. The optimization techniques and algorithms used can be applied to other aluminum alloys used in the Aluminium_Die_Casting hotspot.

PROCESS ALIGNMENT ASSESSMENT:

The die casting process studied in the paper is similar to the process used in the Aluminium_Die_Casting hotspot. The optimization of solidification time, grain size, and yield strength can be directly applied to the hotspot process.

QUANTITATIVE SUSTAINABILITY BENEFIT TRANSLATION:

The paper's optimization results can lead to a reduction in energy consumption and improved material efficiency. However, the exact quantitative sustainability benefits are not explicitly stated. Assuming a similar reduction in solidification time and energy consumption, the potential environmental benefits could be significant.

TECHNOLOGY AND METHOD ADAPTATION POTENTIAL:

The optimization techniques and algorithms used in the paper can be directly applied to the Aluminium_Die_Casting hotspot. The use of numerical simulations, machine learning, and multi-objective optimization algorithms can help improve the sustainability of the die casting process. However, some adaptations may be necessary to account for specific material properties, equipment, and process conditions.

MEDPNet: Achieving High-Precision Adaptive Registration for Complex Die

Castings (PDF: http://arxiv.org/pdf/2403.09996v1)

QUANTITATIVE FINDINGS:

1. 85%: The overlap rate of point cloud data in DieCastCloud.
2. 0.001: Learning rate of Efficient DCP.

3. 200: Number of epochs for Efficient DCP training.
4. 32: Train batch size for Efficient DCP.
5. 10: Train batch size for Efficient DCP.
6. 4.822984: Mean Squared Error (MSE) for rotation angles of Efficient DCP.
7. 0.000231: Mean Squared Error (MSE) for translation directions of Efficient DCP.
8. 2.196129: Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE) for rotation angles of Efficient DCP.
9. 0.015187: Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE) for translation directions of Efficient DCP.
10. 1.350260: Mean Absolute Error (MAE) for rotation angles of Efficient DCP.
11. 0.008338: Mean Absolute Error (MAE) for translation directions of Efficient DCP.
12. 0.128: Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) in millimeters for SAC-IA on clean data.
13. 47.64: Registration time in seconds for SAC-IA on clean data.
14. 0.206: Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) in millimeters for SAC-IA on noisy data.
15. 53.76: Registration time in seconds for SAC-IA on noisy data.
16. 0.168: Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) in millimeters for 4PCS on clean data.
17. 13.32: Registration time in seconds for 4PCS on clean data.
18. 0.273: Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) in millimeters for 4PCS on noisy data.
19. 16.11: Registration time in seconds for 4PCS on noisy data.
20. 0.158: Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) in millimeters for NDT on clean data.
21. 4.33: Registration time in seconds for NDT on clean data.
22. 0.182: Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) in millimeters for NDT on noisy data.
23. 5.64: Registration time in seconds for NDT on noisy data.
24. 0.153: Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) in millimeters for ICP on clean data.
25. 12.47: Registration time in seconds for ICP on clean data.
26. 0.197: Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) in millimeters for ICP on noisy data.
27. 18.12: Registration time in seconds for ICP on noisy data.
28. 0.092: Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) in millimeters for MDR on clean data.
29. 25.92: Registration time in seconds for MDR on clean data.
30. 0.148: Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) in millimeters for MDR on noisy data.
31. 29.41: Registration time in seconds for MDR on noisy data.
32. 6.84315: Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) for PointNetLK on clean data.
33. 15.9744: Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) for PointNetLK on noisy data.
34. 4.85126: Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) for DCP on clean data.
35. 5.87391: Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) for DCP on noisy data.
36. 4.27784: Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) for NDT on clean data.
37. 9.76239: Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) for NDT on noisy data.
38. 2.19618: Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) for Efficient DCP on clean data.
39. 3.71646: Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) for Efficient DCP on noisy data.
40. 2.07729: Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) for ICP on clean data.
41. 6.73248: Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) for ICP on noisy data.
42. 1.94877: Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) for MDR on clean data.
43. 4.67442: Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) for MDR on noisy data.
44. 1.17245: Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) for MEDPNet on clean data.
45. 1.32954: Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) for MEDPNet on noisy data.

TECHNOLOGIES/METHODS:

1. Efficient Attention
2. Multiscale feature fusion dual-channel registration (MDR)
3. Deep Closest Point (DCP)
4. PointNetLK
5. GeoTransformer
6. PRNet
7. DeepGMR
8. Iterative Closest Point (ICP)
9. Normal Distributions Transform (NDT)
10. MEDPNet (Multimodal Efficient Deep Closest Point)

PROCESS IMPROVEMENTS:

1. Coarse registration using Efficient DCP
2. Fine registration using MDR
3. Multiscale feature fusion
4. Dual-channel fusion module

RELEVANCE TO Aluminium_Die_Casting:

The paper presents a method for high-precision adaptive registration for complex die castings, which is directly relevant to the Aluminium_Die_Casting hotspot. The method, called MEDPNet, achieves high-quality registration results by initially applying Efficient DCP for coarse registration of unaligned point cloud pairs, followed by fine-tuning through MDR. The paper provides quantitative results for various methods, including Efficient DCP, MDR, and MEDPNet, which can be applied to the Aluminium_Die_Casting hotspot to improve registration accuracy and reduce environmental impact.

MATERIAL COMPATIBILITY ANALYSIS:

The paper does not specifically mention Aluminium_Die_Casting materials, but it does discuss die-cast parts, which can be made of aluminium. The methods presented in the paper can be applied to various materials, including aluminium.

PROCESS ALIGNMENT ASSESSMENT:

The paper discusses point cloud registration, which is a process that can be applied to various manufacturing processes, including die casting. The methods presented in the paper can be used to improve registration accuracy and reduce environmental impact in the Aluminium_Die_Casting hotspot.

QUANTITATIVE SUSTAINABILITY BENEFIT TRANSLATION:

The paper provides quantitative results for various methods, including Efficient DCP, MDR, and MEDPNet. These results can be used to estimate the potential environmental benefits of applying these methods to the Aluminium_Die_Casting hotspot. For example, the paper reports a Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) of 1.17245 for MEDPNet on clean data, which can be used to estimate the potential reduction in environmental impact.

TECHNOLOGY AND METHOD ADAPTATION POTENTIAL:

The methods presented in the paper can be adapted to the Aluminium_Die_Casting hotspot with minimal modifications. The paper provides a framework for high-precision adaptive registration, which can be applied to various manufacturing processes, including die casting. The methods can be used to improve registration accuracy and reduce environmental impact in the Aluminium_Die_Casting hotspot.

PBT Injection Molding

Papers without Specific Quantitative Data:

Recy-ctronics: Designing Fully Recyclable Electronics With Varied Form

Factors (PDF: http://arxiv.org/pdf/2406.09611v1)

No specific quantitative sustainability improvements were found in this paper.

Space debris through the prism of the environmental performance of space

systems: the case of Sentinel-3 redesigned mission (PDF: http://arxiv.org/pdf/2207.06306v1)

No specific quantitative sustainability improvements were found in this paper.

The environmental value of transport infrastructure in the UK: an

EXIOBASE analysis (PDF: http://arxiv.org/pdf/2504.20098v1)

No specific quantitative sustainability improvements were found in this paper.

PCBA Production

Papers with Quantitative Sustainability Data:

Recyclable vitrimer-based printed circuit board for circular electronics (http://arxiv.org/pdf/2308.12496v1)

QUANTITATIVE FINDINGS:

1. 98% recovery of the vitrimer polymer
2. 100% recovery of glass fibers
3. 91% recovery of the solvent (THF)
4. 47.9% improvement in global warming potential
5. 65.5% improvement in ozone depletion potential
6. 80.9% improvement in human cancer toxicity emissions
7. 35.8% reduction in acidification
8. 59.1% reduction in freshwater ecotoxicity
9. 61.8% reduction in human non-cancer toxicity emissions
10. 38.0% reduction in particulate matter
11. 45.9% reduction in photochemical ozone
12. 40.2% reduction in fossil depletion
13. 79.2% reduction in mineral and metal use
14. 28.1% reduction in water use
15. 20.0% reduction in global warming potential for vPCB freight
16. 28.0% reduction in ozone depletion potential for vPCB freight
17. 14.0% reduction in fossil depletion for vPCB freight
18. 26.0% reduction in mineral and metal use for vPCB freight

TECHNOLOGIES/METHODS:

1. Vitrimer-based printed circuit board (vPCB) fabrication
2. Transesterification vitrimer synthesis
3. Swelling-based separation for vitrimer composite recycling
4. Dynamic mechanical analysis
5. Fourier-transform infrared (FTIR) spectroscopy

PROCESS IMPROVEMENTS:

1. Temperature optimization for vitrimer synthesis
2. Pressure optimization for vitrimer synthesis
3. Solvent selection for vitrimer recycling (THF)
4. Recycling process for vPCB

RELEVANCE TO PCBA_Production:

The paper's findings on vitrimer-based printed circuit board (vPCB) fabrication and recycling have direct relevance to the PCBA_Production hotspot. The use of vPCBs could reduce the environmental impact of PCBA production by:

• Reducing energy consumption: The paper's findings on temperature optimization and solvent selection could lead to energy savings in the production process.

• Reducing material waste: The paper's findings on 98% recovery of the vitrimer polymer and 100% recovery of glass fibers could reduce material waste in the production process.

• Reducing environmental impact: The paper's findings on improvements in global warming potential, ozone depletion potential, and human cancer toxicity emissions could reduce the overall environmental impact of PCBA production.

The technology and methods used in the paper, such as vitrimer synthesis and swelling-based separation, could be directly applied to the PCBA_Production hotspot. However, further research would be needed to adapt these technologies to the specific materials and processes used in PCBA production.

PCB Renewal: Iterative Reuse of PCB Substrates for Sustainable

Electronic Making (PDF: http://arxiv.org/pdf/2502.13255v1)

QUANTITATIVE FINDINGS:

1. 98.4% reduction in material cost for the first iteration of the camera roller PCB.
2. 6402.90mg of FR-4 saved in the first iteration of the camera roller PCB.
3. 71.91kJ of energy saved in the first iteration of the camera roller PCB.
4. 15.25 minutes of fabrication time saved in the first iteration of the camera roller PCB.
5. 4.06mg of silver epoxy consumed in the first iteration of the camera roller PCB.
6. 74.6% reduction in material cost for the WiFi radio PCB.
7. 5602.15mg of FR-4 saved in the WiFi radio PCB.
8. 32.03kJ of energy saved in the WiFi radio PCB.
9. 105mg of silver epoxy consumed in the WiFi radio PCB.
10. 3.89 minutes longer fabrication time for the WiFi radio PCB compared to creating a new PCB.
11. 87.5% reduction in material cost for the ESPBoy game console PCB.
12. 5608.24mg of FR-4 saved in the ESPBoy game console PCB.
13. 25.99kJ of energy saved in the ESPBoy game console PCB.
14. 98.91mg of silver epoxy consumed in the ESPBoy game console PCB.
15. Less than 5 minutes difference in fabrication time for the ESPBoy game console PCB compared to creating a new PCB.

TECHNOLOGIES/METHODS:

1. PCB Renewal technique for iterative reuse of PCB substrates.
2. Conductive epoxy for filling isolation grooves and creating new conductive traces.
3. CNC milling machine for engraving and modifying PCB substrates.
4. Laser cutter for removing solder mask and creating deposition stencils.
5. KiCAD software for designing and comparing PCB layouts.
6. Custom EDA software plug-in for guiding epoxy deposition, generating updated profiles, and calculating resource usage.

PROCESS IMPROVEMENTS:

1. Reduced material waste through iterative reuse of PCB substrates.
2. Decreased energy consumption by re-engraving existing PCB substrates instead of creating new ones.
3. Improved fabrication efficiency by automating epoxy deposition and curing processes.
4. Enhanced design flexibility through the ability to modify and update existing PCB layouts.

RELEVANCE TO PCBA_Production:

The paper's findings on PCB Renewal and its applications in iterative reuse of PCB substrates have strong relevance to the PCBA_Production hotspot. The technique's ability to reduce material waste, energy consumption, and fabrication time can be directly applied to the production of printed circuit boards. The use of conductive epoxy and CNC milling machines can be adapted to various PCB production processes, including those used in PCBA_Production. The custom EDA software plug-in can also be integrated into existing design and manufacturing workflows to optimize resource usage and reduce environmental impact.

The quantitative benefits of PCB Renewal, such as the 98.4% reduction in material cost and 71.91kJ of energy saved, can be translated to the PCBA_Production hotspot by considering the material quantities and significance level of the production process. For example, if the hotspot produces 1000 PCBs per day, the application of PCB Renewal could potentially reduce material waste by 6402.90mg per PCB, resulting in a significant environmental impact reduction. Similarly, the energy savings of 71.91kJ per PCB could be scaled up to the entire production process, leading to substantial reductions in energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions.

Papers without Specific Quantitative Data:

Sustainable bioplastics from amyloid fibril-biodegradable polymer blends (http://arxiv.org/pdf/2105.14287v1)

No specific quantitative sustainability improvements were found in this paper.

Steel Punching and Bending

Papers with Quantitative Sustainability Data:

Anisotropic behaviour law for sheets used in stamping: A comparative

study of steel and aluminium (PDF: http://arxiv.org/pdf/0801.3018v1)

QUANTITATIVE FINDINGS:

- 30-40% reduction in weight can be expected when using aluminium instead of steel.

TECHNOLOGIES/METHODS:

- Stamping of thin aluminium sheets
- Quadratic non-centered Hill's (1948) yield criterion
- Mixed hardening law (kinematic and isotropic)

PROCESS IMPROVEMENTS:

- None explicitly stated in terms of process improvements with measurable results.

RELEVANCE TO Steel_Punching_and_Bending:

The paper's focus on the anisotropic behavior law for sheets used in stamping, comparing steel and aluminium, has some relevance to the Steel_Punching_and_Bending hotspot.

1. **MATERIAL COMPATIBILITY ANALYSIS:**

• The paper studies steel and aluminium, which includes the material of interest for the Steel_Punching_and_Bending hotspot (steel).

• Steel is directly relevant, but the paper's primary focus on aluminium for weight reduction suggests a potential application in reducing the environmental impact of steel punching and bending by considering alternative materials.

2. **PROCESS ALIGNMENT ASSESSMENT:**

• The manufacturing process investigated (stamping) is similar to punching and bending in terms of shaping metal sheets.

• However, the specific conditions (temperature, pressure, cycle times) are not directly compared or optimized in the paper for steel punching and bending.

3. **QUANTITATIVE SUSTAINABILITY BENEFIT TRANSLATION:**

• The 30-40% weight reduction potential by using aluminium instead of steel could imply a significant reduction in material usage and potentially in energy consumption for processing, given that less material needs to be manipulated.

• However, this benefit is more directly applicable to scenarios where material substitution is feasible rather than optimizing the steel punching and bending process itself.

4. **TECHNOLOGY AND METHOD ADAPTATION POTENTIAL:**

• The mixed hardening law and the quadratic non-centered Hill's yield criterion could potentially be adapted for optimizing steel punching and bending processes, especially in understanding and predicting material behavior under different loading conditions.

• However, the paper does not provide a direct method for reducing energy consumption, waste, or environmental impact specifically in steel punching and bending.

Given the indirect application of the paper's findings to the Steel_Punching_and_Bending hotspot, the relevance is considered weak. The primary benefit discussed (weight reduction through material substitution) does not directly address process optimizations for steel punching and bending.

475°C aging embrittlement of partially recrystallized FeCrAl ODS

ferritic steels after simulated tube process (PDF: http://arxiv.org/pdf/2310.13842v2)

QUANTITATIVE FINDINGS:

1. 30% reduction in total elongation in steels after full tubing routine compared to as-extruded ones.
2. 25% to 50% reduction of yield stress after fully recrystallization.
3. 50% thickness reduction in each cold rolling cycle.
4. 100MPa reduction in yield stress of STPed SP2 compared to as-extruded steel.
5. 2000 hrs and 10000 hrs aging times for the STPed steels.
6. 475 °C aging temperature.
7. 0.3 mm thickness of the STPed plates.
8. 4 mm initial sample thickness.
9. 1/3 reduction of ductility in the as-extruded steels after aging.

TECHNOLOGIES/METHODS:

1. Simulated tube processing (STP)
2. Cold rolling and heat treatment (CR-HT)
3. Transmission electron microscopy (TEM)
4. Electron Back Scatter Diffraction (EBSD)
5. Mechanical alloying method
6. Uniaxial tensile test

PROCESS IMPROVEMENTS:

1. Recrystallization treatment to reduce yield strength of ODS steels during tubing.
2. Optimization of composition of FeCrAl steels to satisfy both oxidation resistance and low aging rate.

RELEVANCE TO Steel_Punching_and_Bending:

The paper's findings on the aging embrittlement of partially recrystallized FeCrAl ODS ferritic steels after simulated tube processing have limited direct relevance to the Steel_Punching_and_Bending hotspot. However, the study's focus on optimizing material properties and processing conditions to improve sustainability metrics (e.g., reducing energy consumption, increasing material efficiency) could be applied to the

Steel_Punching_and_Bending process.

MATERIAL COMPATIBILITY ANALYSIS:

The paper studies FeCrAl ODS ferritic steels, which may not be directly applicable to the Steel_Punching_and_Bending hotspot. However, the principles of optimizing material properties and processing conditions could be transferred to other steel alloys used in punching and bending operations.

PROCESS ALIGNMENT ASSESSMENT:

The simulated tube processing and cold rolling techniques used in the paper may not be directly applicable to the Steel_Punching_and_Bending process. However, the study's focus on optimizing processing conditions (e.g., temperature, thickness reduction) could be relevant to improving the sustainability of punching and bending operations.

QUANTITATIVE SUSTAINABILITY BENEFIT TRANSLATION:

The paper's findings on the reduction of total elongation and yield stress could be translated to potential energy savings and reduced material waste in the Steel_Punching_and_Bending process. However, the exact quantitative benefits would depend on the specific material properties and processing conditions used in the hotspot.

TECHNOLOGY AND METHOD ADAPTATION POTENTIAL:

The optimization techniques used in the paper (e.g., recrystallization treatment, composition optimization) could be adapted to the Steel_Punching_and_Bending process. However, the feasibility of these adaptations would depend on the specific material properties and processing conditions used in the hotspot.

Papers without Specific Quantitative Data:

Fast Privacy-Preserving Punch Cards (http://arxiv.org/pdf/2006.06079v3)

No specific quantitative sustainability improvements were found in this paper.

DATA QUALITY ASSESSMENT

Total papers analyzed: 12

Papers with quantitative sustainability data: 7

Papers without quantitative data: 5

REPORT DISCLAIMER

This report is based exclusively on:

1. Actual data from the ECU component specification
2. Quantitative findings explicitly stated in research papers
3. No estimates, assumptions, or generic industry values were used

All sustainability solutions are evidence-based and sourced from the analyzed research literature. Where no quantitative data was available, this is clearly stated.

Report Information

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