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- COURSE : MANUFACTURING SYSTEMS III
- **CODE** : **TIE 5101**
- DATE : AUGUST 2013
- **DURATION** : 3 HOURS

INSRTUCTIONS AND INFORMATION TO CANDIDATE

- 1. Answer ANY five questions at LEAST TWO from each section.
- 2. All questions carry <u>20 marks</u> each.
- 3. This paper contains seven (7) questions.
- 4. There are five (4) printed pages.

SECTION A: FLEXIBLE MANUFACTURING SYSTEMS

QUESTION 1

- a) Outline five advantages of Flexible manufacturing Systems (FMS).
- b) Briefly describe five FMS software modules.

QUESTION 2

- a) Discuss briefly two types of layout in a Flexible Manufacturing System (FMS) plant.
- b) Consider a set of orders shown in Table Q2 awaiting processing in a manufacturing cell. The cell has three machines of type A and one of type B. Both machine types are capable of holding two tools. The machines are set up once each day and are available for 12 hours per day. It is currently morning of day 5. Find the set of part types to be produced in the next 12-hour shift.

			Unit processi			
Part type	Order size	Due date	Machine A	Machine B	Tools	
a	5	5	0.1	0.3	A1, B2	
a	10	9	0.3	0.2	A1, B2	
b	10	6	1.2	-	A2	
e	4	7	0.3	0.2	A5, B3	
c	25	6	0.7	0.4	A3, B4	
d	10	6	0.1	0.3	A1, B2	

Table Q2: Part Type Data for Question 2

QUESTION 3

a) Briefly describe three types of flexibility.

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b) Eight part types are being considered for a Flexible Manufacturing System (FMS) workcell. The workcell is available for 250 hours. The workcell is charged at a rate of \$50 per hour. Table Q3 shows unit purchase price, raw material cost demand rate, and unit production time for each part type.

Table Q3: Part Type Data for Question 3

	Part Type								
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Unit purchase price (\$)	200	155	300	125	300	86	93	165	
Material cost (\$)	45	35	124	50	120	34	36	114	
Demand per period (units)	100	50	50	75	60	30	50	600	
Unit production time (hours)	1.0	2.0	4.0	1.0	2.0	1.0	1.0	0.5	

- i) Using the Greedy heuristic determine the part types that should be added to the FMS workcell. [11]
- ii) Calculate the saving associated with the assignment of part types to the workcell. [3]

SECTION B: MATERIAL HANDLING

QUESTION 4

a) Outline five objectives of material handling.

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b) An Automated Guided Vehicle System (AGVS) has an average travel distance per delivery of 500 m and an average empty travel distance of 300m. The system must make a total of 75 deliveries per hour. The load and unload times are both 0.5 min and the speed of the vehicles is 150 m/min. The traffic factor for the system is 0.85.

Determine:

i) the average total time per delivery
ii) the handling system efficiency
iii) the resulting average number of deliveries per hour for a vehicle
iv) the number of vehicles needed to satisfy the indicated deliveries per hour
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QUESTION 5

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b) Briefly describe the steps involved in material handling design. [12]

QUESTION 6

- a) Briefly discuss the steps involved in material handling design. [12]
- b) Outline any four principles of material handling. [8]

QUESTION 7

a) Briefly describe five types of identification and control equipment for material flow.

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b) Consider an operation of unit load Automated Storage and Retrieval System (AS/RS), which uses a Storage and Retrieval (S/R) machine for each aisle of the system. The length of storage aisle is 300 m and its height is 50 m. Horizontal and vertical speeds of S/R machine are 400 m/min. and 75m/min. respectively. The S/R requires 30 seconds to accomplish pickup and delivery. Determine the single and dual command cycle times.

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END OF EXAMINATION