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FINAL EXAMINATION QUESTION BOOKLET

COURSE CODE : BME 4033

COURSE : MANUFACTURING SYSTEM DESIGN

SEMESTER/SESSION : 2-2024/2025

DURATION : 3 HOURS

Instructions:

1. This booklet contains 5 questions. Answer **ALL** questions.
2. All answers should be written in answer booklet.
3. Write legibly and draw sketches wherever required.
4. If in doubt, raise your hands and ask the invigilator.

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Answer ALL questions.

QUESTION 1

Figure 1 shows single-station manufacturing cells. It can be used to perform either processing or assembly operations.

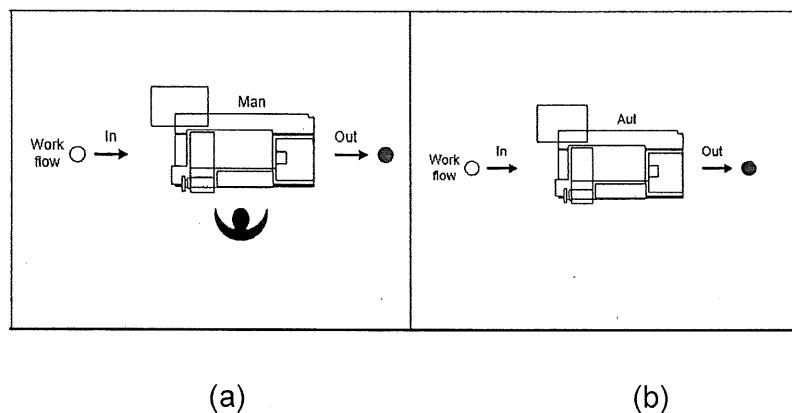


Figure 1: Single-Station Manufacturing Cells

- a) Predict the name of the single-station manufacturing cell in (a) and (b) accordingly. (2 marks)
- b) Discover the reasons why single-station automated cell is important. (4 Marks)
- c) Classify three (3) machine operations for single-station manned cell. (6 Marks)
- d) Differentiate between single-station manned cells and single-station automated cells in terms of worker's attendance, production rate and operation. (6 Marks)

QUESTION 2

Production line can be divided into two basic types: manual assembly lines and automated production lines. However, hybrid lines consisting of both manual and automated operations are not uncommon.

- a) Illustrate how the schematic diagram for:
 - i. Manual assembly line (4 marks)
 - ii. Automated production line (4 Marks)

- b) Identify reasons why storage buffer is required in automated production line. (5 Marks)

- c) Classify three (3) types of mechanized work transport system used in manual assembly line. (6 Marks)

- d) Designate three (3) possible line pacing options implemented by production line. (9 Marks)

QUESTION 3

Parts classification and coding are used to identify part families, while the Hollier method is used to arrange machines in a Group Technology (GT) cell.

- a) Given the rotational part design in Figure 2. By referring to Appendix 1, determine the form code in the Opitz classification and coding system.

(5 Marks)

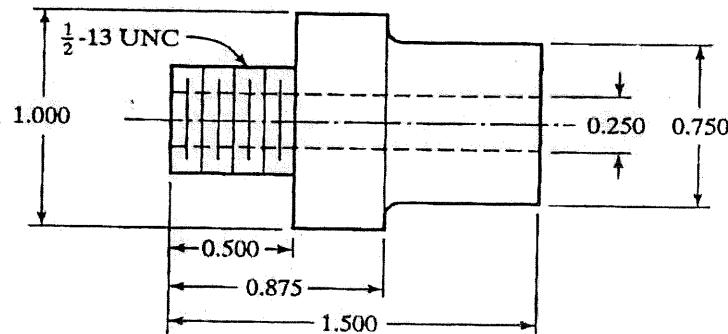


Figure 2: Part Design

- b) Five machines will constitute a GT cell, as per Figure 3. By using Hollier Method, calculate percentage of in-sequence moves, bypassing moves and backtracking moves. (13 Marks)

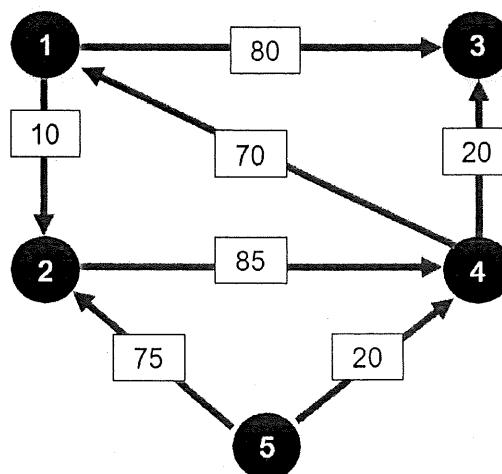


Figure 3: GT Cell for Five (5) Machines

QUESTION 4

Flexible manufacturing system (FMS) is a highly automated GT machine cell with one or more processing stations (typically CNC machine tools), interconnected by an automated material handling and storage system, and controlled by a distributed computer network.

- a) Classify four (4) types of flexibility in FMS. (8 Marks)
- b) Figure 4 depicts a manufacturing cell with automation, but is it a flexible manufacturing cell? Evaluate this circumstance by providing a thorough explanation. (10 marks)

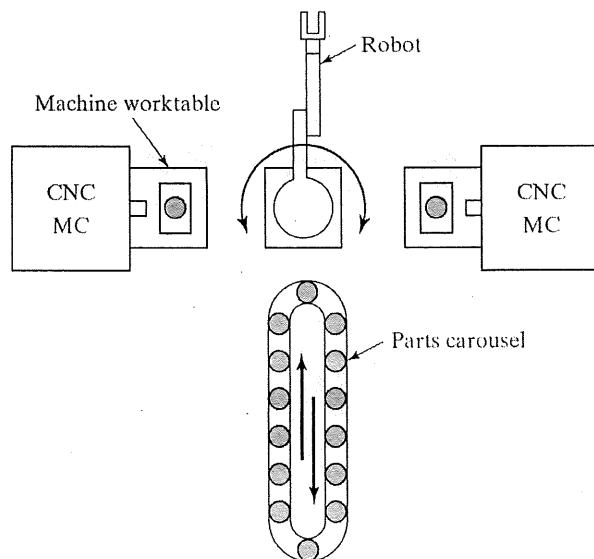


Figure 4: Robot-Centered Manufacturing Cell

QUESTION 5

Figure 5 present process of bread making by Gardenia.

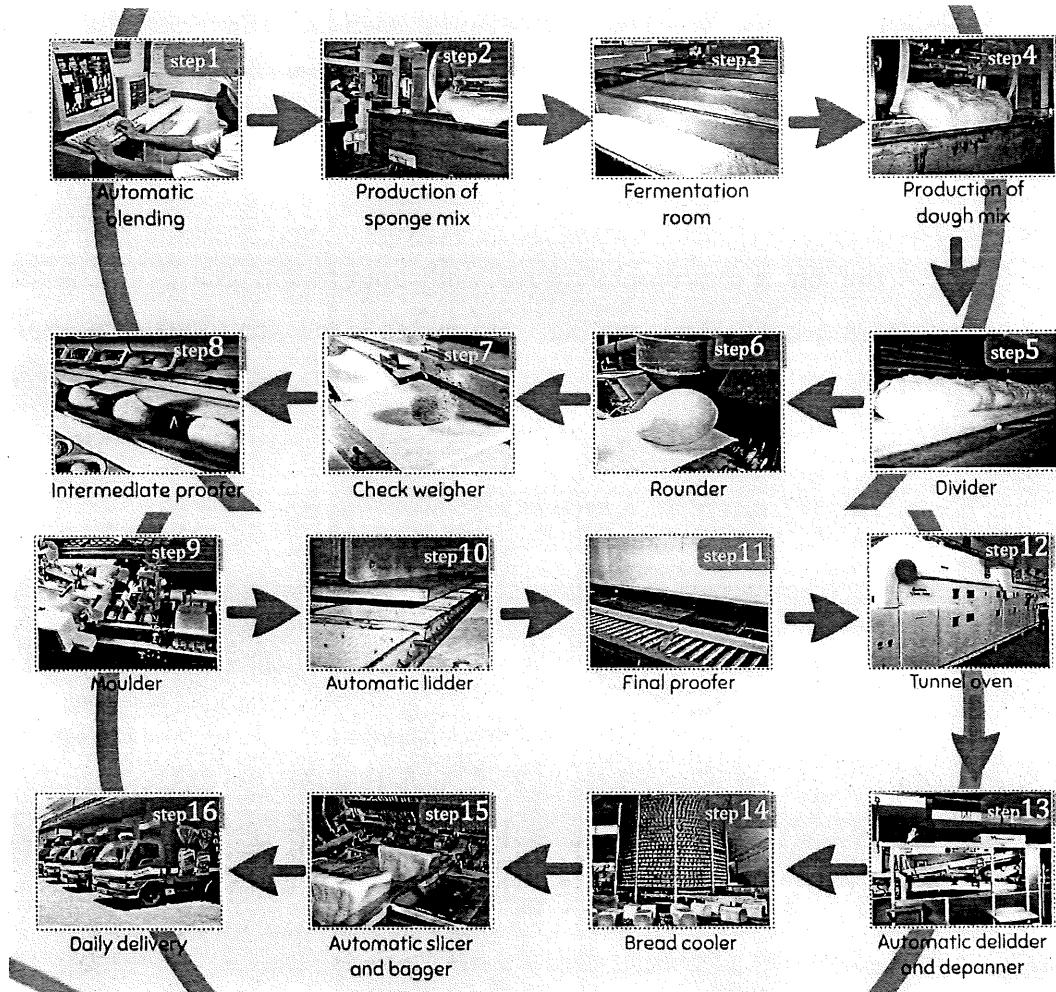


Figure 5: Process of Gardenia Bread

- Identify what kind of material handling equipment and storage system might be used for pre-process, in-process, and post-process of bread making. (9 marks)
- Recommend necessary improvements for current material handling and storage system in Gardenia. (9 marks)

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APPENDIX 1

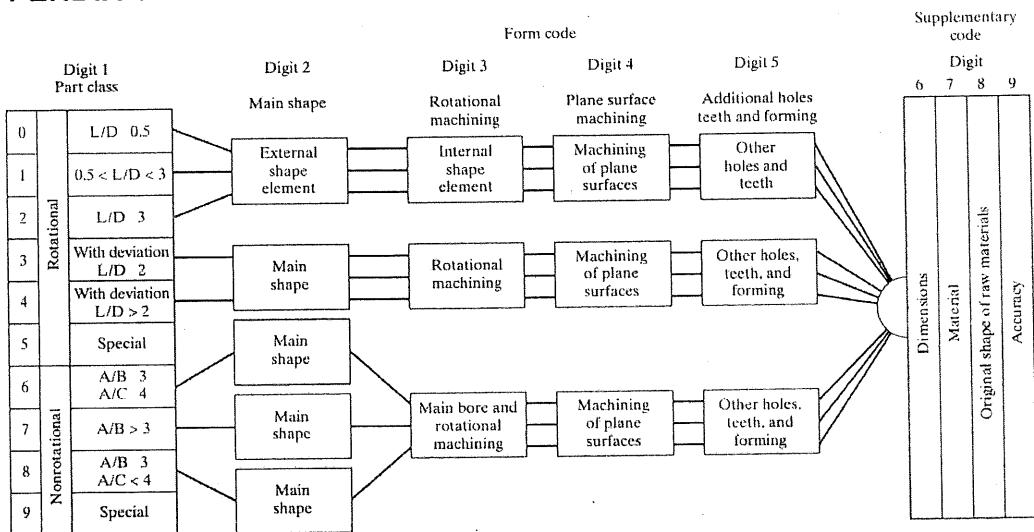


Figure 1: Basic Structure of the Opitz System of Parts Classification and Coding

Digit 1		Digit 2		Digit 3		Digit 4		Digit 5	
Part class		External shape, external shape elements		Internal shape, internal shape elements		Plane surface machining		Auxiliary holes and gear teeth	
0	L/D 0.5	0	Smooth, no shape elements	0	No hole, no breakthrough	0	No surface machining	0	No auxiliary hole
1	0.5 < L/D < 3	1	No shape elements	1	Smooth or stepped to one end	1	Surface plane and/or curved in one direction, external	1	Axial, not on pitch circle diameter
2	L/D 3	2	Stepped to one end or smooth	2	Thread	2	External plane surface related by graduation around the circle	2	Axial on pitch circle diameter
3		3	Functional groove	3	Functional groove	3	External groove and/or slot	3	Radial, not on pitch circle diameter
4		4	No shape elements	4	No shape elements	4	External spline (polygon)	4	Axial and/or radial and/or other direction
5		5	Thread	5	Thread	5	External plane surface and/or slot, external spline	5	Axial and/or radial on PCD and/or other directions
6		6	Functional groove	6	Functional groove	6	Internal plane surface and/or slot	6	Spur gear teeth
7		7	Functional cone	7	Functional cone	7	Internal spline (polygon)	7	Bevel gear teeth
8		8	Operating thread	8	Operating thread	8	Internal and external polygon, groove and/or slot	8	Other gear teeth
9		9	All others	9	All others	9	All others	9	All others

Figure 2: Form Code (Digits 1 through 5) for Rotational Parts in the Opitz Coding System.
The First Digit of the Code is Limited to Values 0,1, or 2.

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