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M.E / M.TECH. DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, MAY 2023

Second Semester

IR22204 – FLEXIBLE MANUFACTURING SYSTEM*(Industrial Automation and Robotics)***(Regulation 2022)****TIME: 3 HOURS****MAX. MARKS: 100**

COURSE OUTCOMES	STATEMENT	RBT LEVEL
CO 1	Apply the concepts of PPC and GT to the development of FMS.	2
CO 2	Discuss the planning and scheduling methods used in manufacturing systems.	3
CO 3	Identify various workstations, system support equipment.	2
CO 4	Identify hardware and software components of FMS.	3
CO 5	Summarize the concepts of modern manufacturing such as JIT, supply chain management and lean manufacturing etc.	2

PART- A (20 x 2 = 40 Marks)

(Answer all Questions)

	CO	RBT LEVEL
1. Define the term “Flexibility” in FMS.	1	2
2. What is the importance of routing flexibility in an automobile industry?	1	2
3. What is the role of robots in a FMS?	1	2
4. What is the use of a diagraph?	1	3
5. What do you mean by a Workstation in FMS?	2	2
6. Differentiate between supervised and unsupervised computer control.	2	3
7. Define the term DNC.	2	3
8. What is the use of dedicated satellite computer in FMS?	2	2
9. Name any two factors to be considered for FMS simulation.	3	2
10. How to plan for FMS database prior to simulation?	3	2
11. What are the bottlenecks of FMS simulation?	3	2
12. Name any 4 types of data’s in FMS database.	3	2
13. What is a part machine indicator matrix in GT context?	4	3
14. Define ROC algorithm.	4	3
15. What is the importance of part family?	4	2
16. Define the term cellular manufacturing.	4	3
17. Write any two advantages of RGV over AGV.	5	2
18. What is meant an expert system in FMS environment?	5	2
19. Enumerate the characteristics of a prismatic component.	5	3
20. Define the term “Factories of Future”.	5	2

PART- B (5 x 10 = 50 Marks)

	Marks	CO	RBT LEVEL
21. (a) Explain the concept of knowledge based scheduling system with a schematic diagram.	(10)	1	3

(OR)

- (b) Explain in details about flexibility in FMS. (10) 1 3
22. (a) Discuss the role of supervisory computer control in FMS environment for better agility. (10) 2 3
- (OR)
- (b) With neat schematic diagram, explain how a computer can control the work centre and assembly line indigenously? (10) 2 3
23. (a) Elaborate the steps involved to perform the FMS plant simulation. (10) 3 3
- (OR)
- (b) How the data flows in FMS configuration? Explain the role of refresh rate in FMS database. (10) 3 3
24. (a) In an automobile industry the following machine shop layout was found. Apply rank order clustering algorithm and design a new layout as per cellular manufacturing concept. (10) 4 3

Machines	Parts								
	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	P8	P9
M1			1	1	1				
M2	1	1					1	1	1
M3						1	1	1	
M4	1	1		1					
M5			1		1				
M6		1						1	1
M7	1		1	1					
M8		1				1		1	1

- (OR)
- (b) Explain the Holier method 1 algorithm to rearrange the shop floor layout in group technology. (10) 4 3
25. (a) Differentiate AGV and RGV in context of material handling in FMS. (10) 5 3
- (OR)
- (b) Explain the role of AI and expert system in FMS decision making aspects. (10) 5 3

PART- C (1 x 10 = 10 Marks)

(Q.No.26 is compulsory)

26. Evaluate the digraph in Fig.1 and write its inference. Also discuss about the required scheduled time to complete the entire assembly. (10) 2 5

