# MANUFACTURING PROCESSES (SME 2713) 

## Introduction 2

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## 1. Methods of Production

$\square$ Manufacturing is the application of physical and chemical processes to alter the geometry, properties, and/or appearance of a given starting material to make parts or products; manufacturing also includes assembly of multiple parts to make products.
$\square$ Manufacturing is the transformation of materials into items of greater value by means of one or more processing and/or assembly operation.
$\square$ Manufacturing system in which the input is processed or transformed into output is implemented in a manufacturing facility using a certain method of production.

## 1. Methods of Production

- The manufacturing facilities consist of the factory, the equipment in the factory, and the way in which the equipment is organized (the plant layout).
- The facilities "touch" the product.
- The equipment is usually organized into logical groupings, examples: automated production line, machine cell consisting of an industrial robot and two machine tools.
- A company designs its manufacturing systems and organizes its factory to serve the particular mission of each plant.


## 1. Methods of Production

- Certain types of production facilities are recognized as the most appropriate for a given type of manufacturing (normally a combination of product variety and production quantity relationship).
- Production quantity is normally classified into three quantity ranges - low, medium and high.
- Different production methods and different facilities are required for each of the three quantity ranges and also different product types.


## 1. Methods of Production

- The methods of production are normally known as
- Job production (one-off, custom)
- Batch production \& cellular manufacturing
- Mass production (flow line, continuous)
- Manufacturing facilities are also associated with the methods of production, respectively
- Fixed position layout
- Process/functional layout
- Product layout


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This part variety-production rate matrix shows examples of particular manufacturing system designs. This matrix was developed by Black based on real factory data. Notice there is a large amount of overlap in the middle of the matrix, so the manufacturing engineer has many choices regarding which method or system to use to make the goods. This book will show the connection between the process and the manufacturing system used to produce the products, turning raw materials into finished goods.

FIGURE 1-15 Different manufacturing system designs produce goods at different production rates.

## 1. Methods of Production



FIGURE 1-16 This figure shows in a general way the relationship between manufacturing systems and production volumes.

## Job shop / One-off Production

## SINGLE ITEM

 PRODUCTION
## SAMPLE PRODUCTS

PROTOTYPES
SPECIALIST MODELS HANDMADE ITEMS SPECIALIST ENGINEERING ONE OFFS


A highly specialised company. A small highly skilled workforce, possibly one or two workers, sometimes more. Constant communication with the client, constant discussion regarding the design.
Company specialises in particular areas such as engineering or musical instruments etc...
Specialist materials are often required e.g.. specialist woods or modelling materials
The final product is expensive due to the level of skill needed to manufacture the product and the cost of specialist materials and equipment. A high standard of quality control
Products are manufactured for a specialist market / clientele eg. musicians, medical profession, aerospace

## Job shop / One-off Production

- Low quantity range $=1$ to 100 units/year
- A job shop makes low quantities or small volumes of specialized and customized products (often craft products),client-based article or a prototype for larger scale production.
- Products are typically complex, e.g., space capsules, prototype aircraft, special machinery, ship making
- Equipment in a job shop is general purpose and flexible enough to meet a variety of needs
- Labor force is highly skilled


## Batch Production

## BATCH PRODUCTION <br> SAMPLE PRODUCTS <br> FURNITURE ELECTRICAL GOODS CLOTHING NEWSPAPERS BOOKS SAMPLE PRODUCTS



A production line is set up. Each worker completes one task and passes work down the production line to the next worker. The workers are semi skilled or unskilled.
The workers must be able to switch from one part of the production line to another

## Batch Production

- Medium quantity range $=100$ to 10,000 units annually
- Two different types of facility, depending on product variety:
- Hard product variety: batch production
- Soft product variety: cellular manufacturing
- Batch Production Characteristics
- Functional layout
- Components manufactured in batches and stored
- Complicated scheduling / routing


## Batch Production

- A batch of one product is made, after which the manufacturing system is to produce a batch of the next product, and so on.
- The production rate of the equipment is greater than the demand rate for any single product type, and so the same equipment can be shared among multiple products.
- The changeover between production runs takes time - time to change tooling and set up the machinery.


## Batch Production

- This setup time is lost production time, and this is a disadvantage of batch manufacturing.
- Batch production is commonly used for make-to-stock situations, in which items are manufactured to replenish inventory that has been gradually depleted by demand


## Batch Production/Cellular Mfg

- Batch production
- Hard product variety - products differ substantially, and there are few, if any, common parts, e.g., the difference between a small car and a large truck
- Cellular Manufacturing
- Soft product variety - small differences between products, e.g., differences between car models made on the same production line, in which there is a high proportion of common parts among models


## Batch Production/Cellular Mfg

- If product variety is soft, extensive between one product style and the next may be necessary. It is often possible to configure the manufacturing system so that groups of similar products can be made on the same equipment without significant lost time due to setup.
- The processing or assembly of different parts or products is accomplished in cells consisting of several workstations or machines.


## Batch Production/Cellular Mfg

- The term cellular manufacturing is often associated with this type of production. Each cell is designed to produce a limited variety of part configurations; that is, the cell specializes in the production of a given set of similar parts, according to the principles of group technology. The layout is called a cellular layout (the term group technology layout is also common)


## Batch Production



Figure 1.30 Some typical batch product groups.

## Continuous Production

## CONTINUOUS PRODUCTION

## SAMPLE PRODUCTS

## CARS

PETROL / OIL PRODUCTS BRICKS
MANY FOOD PRODUCTS WASHING POWDER WASHING-UP LIQUID CARS
CHEMICALS
ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS PAPER / PULP PRODUCTS

An semi-automated production line is normally set up.
Relying on computer control as well as human labour. Workforce comprised of skilled and unskilled workers.

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Controlled lifting gear lifts the tree trunks on to trucks
for transport to the pulp processing factory.


Tree trunks are removed from the trucks by lifting equipment. The trucks are stockpiled for use 24 hours a day.


Chemicals / ingredients such as starch and bonding agents are added. The pulp is poured over a fine mesh and the water escapes leaving the cellulose fibres behind. This forms the paper.

> Each trunk is fed into a chipping machine where it is cut into very small pieces. Mechanised equipment controlled by workers is used at this stage.

The wood chips are boiled in water to form a thick wood pulp


## Mass Production

- High quantity range $=10,000$ to millions of units per year
- Referred to as mass production
- High demand for product
- Manufacturing system dedicated to the production of that product
- Two categories of mass production:

1. Quantity production
2. Flow line production

## Large volume production

Large volume production


Continuous flow production
 sheet

Plastic sheet

Line or mass production


Washing machines

Refrigerators Television sets

Figure 1.28 Large volume production.

## Quantity Production

Mass production of single parts on single machine or small numbers of machines

- Typically involves standard machines equipped with special tooling
- Equipment is dedicated full-time to the production of one part type
- Typical layouts used in quantity production is


## Flow Line Production

Multiple machines or workstations arranged in sequence, e.g., production lines

- Product is complex and requires multiple processing and/or assembly operations
- Work units are physically moved through the sequence to complete the product
- Workstations and equipment are designed specifically for the product to maximize efficiency


FIGURE 1-8 The moving assembly line for cars is an example of the flow shop.

## Mass Production

- Manufacturing or processing of uniform products in large quantities using interchangeable parts and machinery. Mass production is either a wholly automated process or a series of short, repetitive procedures.
- Application of the principles of specialization, division of labour, and standardization of parts to the manufacturing of goods on a large scale.


## Mass Production

- Modern mass-production methods have led to such improvements in the cost, quality, quantity, and variety of goods available that the largest global population in history is now sustained at the highest general standard of living ever.
- The requirements for mass production of a particular product include the existence of a market large enough to justify a large investment; a product design that can use standardized parts and processes; a physical layout that minimizes materials handling; division of labour into simple, short, repetitive steps; continuous flow of work; and tools designed specifically for the tasks to be performed.


## 2. Plant Layout

- There is a very close relationship between the types of production and the arrangement of facilities in the factory.
- The basic plant layout can be classified into three types namely
- Fixed position layout
- Process layout, cellular layout
- Product layout
- The physical size, quantity, and variety of products being manufactured often dictate the way in which a plant is organized.


## Fixed position layout



Workers and equipment move around product.

## Fixed position layout

## Boing 767-400 Assembly line



## Process layout



Common operations or processes are grouped together.

## Process-Focused

## Custom Woodworking Shop



## Process layout

- Different parts, each requiring a different operation sequence, are routed through the departments in the particular order needed for their processing, usually in batches.
- The process layout is noted for its flexibility: it can accommodate a great variety of operation sequences for different part configurations.
- Its disadvantage is that the machinery and methods to produce a part are not designed for high efficiency


## Cellular layout



Each manufacturing cell specializes in the production of a given set of similar products

## Manufacturing Layout

## Process (Functional) Layout

## Group (Cellular) Layout



Like resources placed together
Resources to produce like products placed together

## Part Family

- A Part Family is a collection of parts which are similar either because they possess similarities in geometric shape and size, or because similar processing steps are used in their manufacture.
- Part families are a central feature of group technology.
- There are always differences among parts in a family (Fig. 12.1).
- But the similarities are close enough that the parts can be grouped into the same family


## Rearrange-

 ment of parts

## Part family

## Part Families

PF : A collection of parts that are similar either because of geometric shape and similar processing steps are required in their manufacture.

(a)

(b)


Figure 15.1 Two parts of identical shape and size but different manufacturing requirements: (a) $1,000,000 \mathrm{pc} / \mathrm{yr}$, tolerance $= \pm 0.010 \mathrm{in}$, material $=1015 \mathrm{CR}$ steel, nickel plate; and (b) $100 \mathrm{pc} / \mathrm{yr}$, tolerance $= \pm 0.001 \mathrm{in}$, material $=$ 18-8 stainless steel.

Figure 15.2 A family of parts with similar manufacturing process requirements but different design attributes. All parts are machined from cylindrical stock by turning; some parts require drilling and/or milling.

## Part family

- Parts grouped by geometric shape


## FIGURE 5.3

Parts grouped by geometric shape. (Reprinted with permission from Ref. 15.)


Parts grouped by manufacturing process


FIGURE 5.4 Parts grouped by manufacturing process. (Reprinted with permission from Ref. 15.)

## Product layout



Collection of workers and stations are designed specifically for the product being produced

## Product-Focused





Figure 1.27 Layout for a flow production plant.

