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Session Schedule

- CIM hardware and software considerations
 - A brief case study for CIM database design

Introduction to manufacturing automation and CIM (Computer Integrated Manufacturing)

Automation:

- set of all measures aiming at replacing human work through machines (e.g. automation is applied science)
- the technology used for this purpose (e.g. this company has an automation department)

■ Automation:

- replacement of human work through machines(e.g. the automatisation of the textile factory caused uproar of the workers)
- replacement of conscious activity by reflexes
 (e.g. drill of the sailors allows the automatisation of ship handling)

Automation:

The use of computers and machines instead of people to do a job



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CIM hardware and software considerations

• CIM equipment:

- CNC machines
- Computerized work centers
- Robotic work cells
- DNC/FMS systems
- Work handling and tool handling devices
- Storage devices
- Sensors, shop floor data collection devices
- Inspection machines
- Computers, controllers
- CAD/CAM systems, workstations / terminals, data entry terminals, bar code readers, RFID tags
- Printers, plotters and other peripheral devices, modems, cables, connectors



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CIM hardware and software considerations

- CIM software comprises computer programs like:
 - Management Information System; Database Management
 - Sales, Order Entry
 - Marketing
 - Finance
 - Analysis; Modeling and Design
 - Simulation
 - Inventory Control; Materials Handling
 - Monitoring; Shop Floor Data Collection
 - Process Planning
 - Manufacturing Facilities Planning; Production Control
 - Work Flow Automation
 - Quality Management



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CIM Database management

- Varied tasks one might expect to accomplish in a CIM environment:
 - Designing assemblies and performing tolerance analysis on those assemblies.
 - Preparing production drawings of assemblies, individual parts, tooling, fixtures and other manufacturing facilities.
 - Preparing part lists and bill of materials (BOM).
 - *Preparing process plans for individual part manufacture and assembly.*
 - Programming CNC machines for processing complete parts (CAM).
 - Designing work cells and programming the movement of components in those cells using work handling devices like robots, conveyors, AGV's/RGV's.
 - Preparing inspection programs including programs for CNC machines.



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Make your own CIM database!!

- *Third step:*
 - Theoretically plan the procedures which enable:
 - The storage of object related data (attributes)
 - The sort of data related to an array of objects (Tables, Primary keys)
 - The storage of relation among related objects (relational database, Foreign keys)
 - The retrieve operation of a definite object by means of its attributes (Select)
 - The modification/delete operation of a definite object by means of its attributes (Update/Delete)

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- Third step: (Continued ...)
 - Theoretically plan the procedures which enable:
 - The transfer of your data base from one computer to another (Back up operation)
 - The extract of information from an array objects (Information)
 - *The extract of knowledge from a series of information (knowledge)*

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