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Level 6 Graduate Diploma in Engineering

Manufacturing technology

Sample Paper

You should have the following for this examination

- one answer book
- non-programmable calculator
- pen, pencil, ruler

The following data is attached

- G code list
 - M code list
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General instructions

- This examination paper is of **three** hours duration.
- This paper consists of **eight** questions.
- Answer any **five** questions.
- All questions carry equal marks. The maximum marks for each section within a question are given against that section.
- An electronic, non-programmable calculator may be used but candidates **must** show sufficient steps to prior to obtaining final numerical values.
- Drawings should be clear, in good proportion and in pencil. Do not use red ink.

- 1 a) List **five** casting defects and briefly explain them. (10 marks)
- b) What is meant by directional solidification in metal casting? (2 marks)
- c) Write short notes on, (4 marks)
- i) role of riser in sand casting
- ii) role of chaplets in sand casting.
- d) Briefly Explain the following terms. (4 marks)
- i) Internal chill.
- ii) External chill.
- 2 a) Write **two** difficulties of conventional machining processes when applied to machining the harder materials. (2 marks)
- b) List **four** conventional methods of machining. (4 marks)
- c) Write down **three** finishing operations, which are used in gear manufacturing. (3 marks)
- d) Write down **four** significant advantages of cold working (cold forming) compared to hot working (hot forming). (4 marks)
- e) List **three** limitations of cold working. (3 marks)
- f) How and why are directional properties obtained in a forged component? Discuss advantages, disadvantages and applications of forging processes. (4 marks)
- 3 a) In metal cutting processes, tool wear is inevitable. Write down **three** significant mechanisms that cause tool wear. (3 marks)
- b) Explain **three** modes of cutting tool failure. (6 marks)
- c) A steel ring of outside diameter 600 mm and inside diameter 200 mm is being faced on a lathe machine. The machine is capable of maintaining a constant surface speed, as the face of the ring is being machined and the feed rate is set to 0.25 mm/rev. From tests when $V = 50$ m/min and $n = 0.3$ the tool life is 60 minutes. Given Taylor's empirical tool life relationship, $VT^n = C$ (standard notations) for a tool life of 50 minutes.
- i) Determine the cutting speed (V). (4 marks)
- ii) Calculate the time required for a single workpiece to be machined by the tool. (5 marks)
- iii) Determine the number of components that can be machined. (2 marks)

- 4 a) Given in Figure Q4 is a typical drilling machine. Identify the indicated parts of the machine and label them. (6 marks)

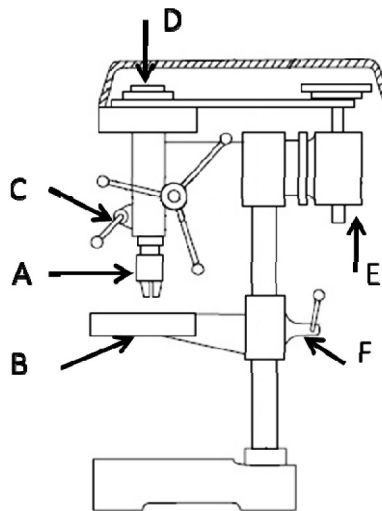


Figure Q4

- b) Describe the drilling operation. (2 marks)
- c) Write down **four** operations except drilling which can be carried out on drilling machines and describe them. (8 marks)
- d) A drilling operation is carried out with a 12 mm diameter drill and it runs at 250 rpm. Calculate the cutting speed. (4 marks)
- 5 a) Write down the definition of a manufacturing system. (2 marks)
- b) Write down **four** common characteristics of a manufacturing system. (4 marks)
- c) There are **two** basic categories of manufacturing systems, as discrete part manufacturing and continuous process manufacturing. Describe them. (4 marks)
- d) A small shaft is produced using a CNC machine. The machine operator's hourly rate is £8.30. The time taken to machine the shaft is 15 min. The steel billet used for manufacturing the shaft costs £1.67 per unit including chuck allowance and scrap. There are additional direct expenses of £560 for special tooling for many 1500 units. Calculate the following for a lot of 1500 units.
- i) The direct labour cost of producing the shaft. (3 marks)
- ii) The direct material cost. (3 marks)
- iii) The prime cost (sum of the direct costs is known as the prime cost). (4 marks)
- 6 a) Describe the roles of Computer Aided Design (CAD) and Computer Aided Manufacturing (CAM) systems in the product cycle. (6 marks)
- b) What are the **three** modelling modes offered by CAD/CAM systems? (3 marks)
- c) Write down **three** coordinate systems used in CAD systems and explain them. (9 marks)
- d) Objects and their geometric models can be classified into **three** types from a geometric construction point of view. **Two** of them are 2 1/2D (two and half), 3D (three). Describe them. (2 marks)

- 7 a) The Programmable logic controller (PLC) is widely used in automation because of several of its advantages. Write down **four** advantages and describe them. (4 marks)
- b) Write down **four** requirements that a modern manufacturing facility has to meet when considering the competition in the global market. (4 marks)
- c) Write short notes on the followings.
- i) Flexible manufacturing cells. (2 marks)
 - ii) Gantry for loading and unloading. (2 marks)
 - iii) Flexible transfer lines. (2 marks)
 - iv) Flexible machining systems. (2 marks)
- d) List **four** benefits of Flexible Manufacturing System. (4 marks)
- 8 a) Briefly describe the followings.
- i) Canned cycles. (2 marks)
 - ii) Tool offset/Tool compensation. (2 marks)
- b) Figure Q8 shows a component to be machined on a 3-axis CNC milling machine. Tools to be used for machining are also shown in the figure. Write the part program for machining the component including a short description of the meaning against each program block. A list of G codes and M codes is attached. Tool and work materials are H.S.S. and mild steel respectively. The program should incorporate appropriate speeds and feeds. (16 marks)

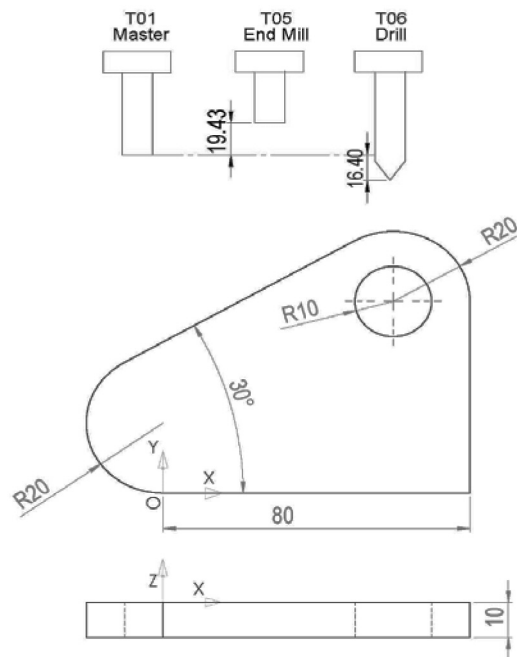


Figure Q8