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Abstract

Cellular manufacturing systems have been considered as an effective method to increase productivity in industries. For designing of cellular manufacturing systems, several mathematical models and various algorithms have been proposed in the literature. In the present article, we propose an improved version of discrete particle swarm optimization (PSO) to solve manufacturing effectively this problem. When a local optimal solution is reached with PSO, all particles gather around it, and escaping from this local optimum becomes more difficult. To avoid premature convergence of PSO, we present a new hybrid evolutionary algorithm, called discrete particle swarm optimization-simulated annealing (DPSO-SA), based on the idea that PSO ensures fast convergence, while SA brings search out of local optimum. To illustrate the behavior of the proposed model and verify the performance of the algorithm, some numerical examples are introduced. The performance evaluation shows the effectiveness of the DPSO-SA.

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1 - Introduction

Cellular manufacturing (CM) utilizes the principle of group technology (GT) to decompose a production system into a couple of independent and manageable manufacturing cells. GT is a manufacturing philosophy that has established the potential to contribute positively in batch-type production. The primary aim of the GT is to combine the flexibility of the job production system with the high productivity of the

flow production system. In the GT, parts with the same manufacturing processes are grouped together and are produced in the same manufacturing cell. To reduce the number of inter-cell movements, most of the machines required for a part family are also allocated together to form a manufacturing cell , or also called a machine cell (Shunk, 1985; Shafer and Meredith, 1990).

The first step in the design of cellular manufacturing systems is cell formation (CF). The primary goal of cell formation is to form independent part families and machine cells to minimize exceptional elements or inter-cellular movements.

The cell formation problem (CFP) has been widely studied in the past decades. The CFP is known as NP-hard (Burbidge, 1989), (Dimopoulos& Zalzala, 2000). This type of problem has a significant computational complexity. Therefore, achieving optimal solution is not possible in large size problems with reasonable amount of time. There are several approaches to find approximate solutions for NP-hard problems through a polynomial time. The meta-heuristic methods have been widely applied to solve the optimization problems of this kind. For example, popular methods such as simulated annealing (Pailla, et al. 2010), genetic algorithms (Zhao and Wu, 2000), ant colony optimization (Li et al., 2010), scatter search (Tavakkoli-Moghaddam et al., 2010), tabu search (Sun et al., 1995; Aljaber, et al.1997) and particle swarm optimization (Kao & Lin, 2012) have been widely used.

Considering computational complexity of the CFP, the purpose of this paper is to provide a hybrid meta-heuristic that finds best solution in the real world problems and convergence faster than other existing approaches. Our proposed methodology combines PSO and SA approaches to take advantage of the capabilities of both. In this paper, the high efficiency of our method is tested on a large number of common examples.

The paper is organized as follows. The relevant literature is reviewed in Section 2. Section 3 consists of a discussion of the problem and its notations. Section 4 formulates our methodology as a DPSO-SA. Section 5 presents some computational results and their sensitivity analysis in order to draw some meaningful managerial insights. The paper concludes in Section 6 with some directions for the future research in this context.

2 - Literature review

There are many works for solving CFP in the literature. Kusiak (1987) proposed a pmedian model to solve the problem. A mathematical model for solving Group Cell Formation Problem (GCFP) was presented by Sankaran and Ksilngam (1990). Hwang and Ree (1996) used a two stage method for solving process routing selection and part family formation. Nagi, Harhalakis and Proth (1990) proposed a heuristic algorithm for machine cell formation and routing selection. Sofianopoulou (1999) applied a two-dimensional simulated annealing algorithm to assign each part type to a particular process routing and assign each machine type to a particular machine cell sequentially. An iterative method which applies a simulated annealing algorithm to partition machines into cells and a branch-and-bound algorithm to assign one of routings to each part was used by Caux, Bruniaux and Pierreval (2000). Wu, Low and Wu (2004) showed that part assignment is the sub problem of CFP which has high computational time and applied a tabu search algorithm to solve that. Wu, Chung and Chang (2009) proposed an algorithm that is based on advantage of genetic algorithm and simulated annealing. Their algorithm explores a larger solution space and accelerates the search process. Nouri and Hong (2013) investigate the bacteria foraging optimization (BFO) algorithm to the cell formation (CF) problem. Their paper attempt was made to solve the cell formation problem while considering cell load variations and a number of exceptional elements. Mahdavi, Teymourian, Baher and Kayvanfar (2013) present a new integrated mathematical model considering cell formation and cell layout simultaneously. The goal of their model is to group similar parts and corresponding different machines in the same cells. Machines sequence in each cell and cell positions is also specified in the system. Moreover, their proposed model considers forward and backtracking movements as well as new assumptions for distances between cells using sequence data and production volume.

Shiyas and Madhusudanan Pillai (2014) adopted GA as a mathematical model for the design of manufacturing cells which considers two conflicting objectives such as the heterogeneity of cells and the inter-cell movements. A genetic algorithm (GA) based solution methodology is developed for the model which is also solved using an optimization package.

Table1 shows some recent papers that concentrated on solving the CFP .This table compares some literature model in terms of some parameters. The parameters are considered in the following:

- Operation sequence.
- Processing times.
- Minimizing inter-cell movements.
- Costs.
- Maximum size of MPIM (Machine Part Incidence Matrix).
- Compared with other existing methodologies.
- Methodology.

In this paper, a new hybrid particle swarm optimizations, DPSO-SA, is proposed to solve CFP. To the best of our knowledge, there are very few studies using PSO to solve the CFP. Kao and Lin (2012) used PSO to partition machines into different cells. But it may be trapped into local optima if the global best and local best positions are equal to the position n of particle over a number of iterations (Niknam, 2006; Olamaei et al., 2008).To overcome this shortcoming, this paper presents a novel hybrid evolutionary optimization method based on Discrete PSO and SA, called DPSO-SA for optimally cell formation, which not only has a better response but also converges more quickly than ordinary evolutionary algorithms. Proposed algorithm uses the advantages of each algorithm to overcome the disadvantages of both algorithms. We assess and compare the performance of the DPOS-SA algorithm with the original PSO, SA and Firefly algorithms on different examples.

3 - Cell formation problem

In cell formation problem the following notations are introduced:

M the number of machines;

P the number of parts;

C the number of cells (cell size);

 $M_{\rm max}$ the maximum number of machines per cell;

Ref	Operatio n Sequence	Processin g Times	Minimizin g Inter-cell Movement s	Cost s	Maximu m Size of MPIM	Compared with other Existing Methodologie	Methodology
Kao & Lin,2012	×	×	×		26×28	×	Particle Swarm Optimizatio n
Zhao& Wu,2000	×	×	×	×	16×43	×	Genetic Algorithm
Li et al,2010			×		50×150	×	Ant Colony Optimizatio n
Tavakkoli-Moghaddam,2012	×	×	×	×	15×13	×	Scatter Search
Tavakkoli-Moghaddam,2010	×	×	×	×	20×15	×	Scatter Search
Sun et al,1995	×		×	×	15×60	×	Tabu Search
Aljaber et al,1997	×		×		30×40	×	Tabu Search
Nouri& Hong,2013		×	×	×	24×40	×	Bacteria Foraging Optimizatio n (BFO) Algorithm
Mahdavi et al,2013	×		×	×	20×20	×	Integrated Mathematica 1 Model
Shiyas&MadhusudananPillai,20 14					40×100	×	Genetic Algorithm
Chu &Hayya,1991					16×43	×	Fuzzy C- Mean Clustering
Gonçalves&Resende,2004			×		40×100	×	Local Search Heuristic with a Genetic Algorithm

Table1. Comparison studies in cell formation problem.

Table1. Continued

Ref	Operation Sequence	Processing Times	Minimizing Inter-cell Movements	Costs	Maximum Size of MPIM	Compared with other Existing Methodologies	Methodology
Li et al,2007			×		150×300	×	An Improved Fuzzy Clustering Algorithm
Noktehdan et al,2010			×		37×53	×	Grouping Genetic Algorithm (GGA), Grouping Version of Differential Evolution (GDE) Algorithm and its Hybridized Version with a Local Search Algorithm (HGDE)
Wu et al,2009			×		40×100	×	Hybrid Heuristic Algorithm (Boltzmann Function from Simulated Annealing and the Mutation operator from the genetic Algorithm)

 $A = [a_{ij}] M \times P$ machine-part incidence matrix (MPIM), where a_{ij} is 1 if part *j* requires process on machine *i*, otherwise 0.

Our aim is to find the best clusters for machines and parts to have the least exceptional elements. Exceptional elements (nonzero values in the off diagonal blocks) impede the formation of independent machine cells by increasing inter cells material handling. Exceptional elements are the results of bottleneck parts that require to be processed on machines assigned to two or more machine cells, or bottleneck machines that must process the parts found in two or more part families (Sayadi et al, 2013; Won, 2000). Rows and columns of MPIM are rearranged to generate part families and machine cells in such a way that exceptional elements are minimized and did not contain more than maximum number of machines per cell.

 $y_{ik} = \begin{cases} 1 \ if \ machine \ i \in cell \ k \\ 0 \ otherwise \end{cases}$

$$z_{jk} = \begin{cases} 1 \text{ if } part \ j \in family \ k \\ 0 \text{ otherwise} \\ \text{The CFP can be formulated as follow:} \\ Minimize \ \sum_{k=1}^{C} \sum_{i=1}^{M} \sum_{j=1}^{P} a_{ij} z_{jk} (1 - y_{ik}), \end{cases}$$
(1)
Subject to
$$\sum_{k=1}^{C} y_{ik} = 1 \ \forall i, \qquad (2)$$
$$\sum_{k=1}^{C} z_{jk} = 1 \ \forall j, \qquad (3)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{M} y_{ik} \le M_{\max} \quad \forall k ,$$
(4)

The objective function of the CFP can be express as Equation (1). The number of exceptional elements can be computed by this function. Constraint (2) ensures that each machine must be assigned to one cell. Constraint (3) indicates that each part type must be assigned to one family and constraint (4) means that each cell cannot contain more than M_{max} machines (Sayadi et al, 2013).

3 - Methodology

3 - 1 Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO)

PSO is a population based optimization approach that is inspired of the behaviors in bird flocks and fishes. PSO is introduced by Kennedy and Eberhart (1995). Since then it has been widely used to solve a wide range of optimization problems. In a N-dimensional search space, the position and velocity of particle *P* are represented as the vectors $X_p = \{x_{p1}, x_{p2}, ..., x_{pN}\}$ and $V_p = \{v_{p1}, v_{p2}, ..., v_{pN}\}$. In the PSO, P_{best} represents the best position of particle *P* and G_{best} represent the best position that has been achieved so far by whole of population. By tracking two best values, i.e. P_{best} and G_{best} , the global optimal might be reached by this optimization technique. The change of velocity and position of each particle can be calculated with the following formulas:

$$V_{p}^{k+1} = \omega \times V_{p}^{k} + c1 \times rand \times (Pbest_{p}^{k} - X_{p}^{k}) + c2 \times rand \times (Gbest^{k} - X_{p}^{k}),$$

$$X_{p}^{k+1} = X_{p}^{k} + V_{p}^{k+1}, p = 1, 2, ... P,$$
(6)

Where c_1 and c_2 are acceleration constants that control the maximum step size and pull each particle toward P_{best} and G_{best} positions. The inertia weight ω controls the impact of the previous velocity of the particle on its current one. V_p^k is the velocity of particle p in iteration k, X_p^k is the position of particle p in iteration k, P_{best}^k is the best value of fitness function that has been achieved by particle p before iteration k, G_{best}^k is the best value of fitness function that has been achieved so far by any particle, rand means a random variable between 0.0 to 1.0.

3 - 2 Simulated Annealing (SA)

SA is a probabilistic variant of the local search method, which can escape from local optima and finds global solution. SA is founded upon an analogy taken from thermodynamics: In order to grow a crystal, material is heated until it reaches its molten state. Then temperature is gradually reduced till crystal structure is formed. SA begins by generating an initial solution at random. At initial stages, a small random change is made in the current solution (s_c) . Afterwards, the objective function value of the new solution (s_n) is calculated and compared with that of current solution. A move is made to the new solution if it has better or if the probability function implemented in SA has a higher value than a randomly generated number. Otherwise, a new solution is generated and evaluated. The probability of accepting a new solution is given as follow:

$$p = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } f(s_n) - f(s_c) < 0\\ \exp(\frac{-\left|f(s_n) - f(s_c)\right|}{T}), & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}, \tag{7}$$

Parameter T in this probability is temperature index. The rate of reduction of T should be slow. Therefore, at the start of the algorithm, bad moves may be accepted, but in the end only improving moves are allowed (Bertsimas &Tsitsiklis, 1993;Kirkpatrick et al, 1983).

3-3-Discrete PSO-SA method (DPSO-SA)

3-3-1 Why DPSO-SA

All researches proof that the particle swarm optimization (PSO) should be considered as a powerful approach, which is efficient enough to solve various kinds of nonlinear optimization problems. Nevertheless, it may be trapped into local optima if the global best and local best positions are equal to the position of particle over a number of iterations (Niknam, 2006; Olamaei*et al.*, 2008). PSO leads to search with high efficiency and fast convergence but while PSO finds a local optimum solution, all particles gather around it and running away from this local optima become difficult. For example, figure 1 shows a typical function that PSO trapped in local optima. PSO algorithm for this function is converged to 0.57386 while the maximum is 1.3909.



Figure 1.An example of local optima problem in PSO.

To compensate this shortcoming this article uses a hybrid evolutionary optimization method based on PSO and SA, called PSO-SA, which not only has a better response but also converges more quickly than ordinary evolutionary algorithms (Niknam et al, 2009). The basic idea is to study around the global solution by SA and to increase the information exchange among particles using a mutation operator to escape local optima.

SA is meta-heuristic method designed for finding a near optimal solution of combinatorial optimization problems. The negative point of Meta heuristic algorithms is that they can be easily trapped

in local minima. The SA technique solves this problem by allowing bad moves based on a model of the annealing process in the physical world. SA can escapes from local optima and find global solution. DPSO-SA algorithm combines the advantages of both PSO and SA. This hybrid approach makes full use of the exploration ability of PSO and the exploitation ability of SA, so the hybrid algorithm is capable of escaping from a local optimum.

3 – 3 – 2 - Proposed algorithm

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The flowchart of the proposed algorithm is shown in figure 2.To apply DPSO-SA to solve cell formation problem, the following steps have to be applied:

Step 1: Define problem's parameters such as MPIM and maximum number of machines per cell.

Step 2: Declare PSO parameters and generate the initial population and velocity of each particle.

Step 3: In the proposed algorithm when particle *i* moves toward particle *j* the position of particle *i* changes from a binary number to a real number. So in this step of algorithm the real number of position is replaced with a binary number by using the following sigmoid function. The position value is constrained to the interval [0,1]:

$$S(x) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-x)}$$
 (8)

Where S(x) denotes the probability of position x taking 1.

Step 4: Calculate objective function for each particle based on equation 1.

Step 5: Find P_{best} and G_{best} by PSO based on objective function values.

Step 6: After calculation of G_{best} for all the particles of generation, SA algorithm is applied and a series of particles in the neighborhood of G_{best} are generated.

Step 7: If the value of objective function for new particles is better than the objective function of G_{hest} continue otherwise go to step 9.

Step 8: G_{hest} is replaced with the new solution.

Step 9: new solution is accepted using the probability function of SA algorithm. As it was mentioned previously, the random movements of this algorithm lead to resolving the problem of local minimum. **Step 10**: If the maximum number of iteration is reached, go to step 12 otherwise go to step 11.

Step 11: Increase the iteration number, go to step 3.

Step 12: Get the result.

Step 13: End.

By determining the machine cells partition, each part is assigned to a family/cell that contains the majority of the required machines. By using this approach, exceptional elements will be minimized [33]. The position for the i-th particle in the t-th generation can be defined as $Y_i^t = (y_{i11}^t, y_{i12}^t, ..., y_{inc}^t)$.

 $y_{ijk}^{t} = \begin{cases} 1 \text{ if machine } j \text{ of particle } i \text{ is placed in the } k - th \text{ cell at } t - th \text{ generation} \\ 0 \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$

By moving any particle toward the better solution, its position changes from binary number to a real number. This real number shall be converted to the changes of probabilities by the following sigmoid function:

$$S(y_{ijk}) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-y_{ijk})}$$
(9)

Where $S(y_{iik})$ represents the probability of y_{iik} taking the value 1.



Figure 2. The Flowchart of proposed algorithm.

4 - Computational experiments

To illustrate the efficiency of the proposed algorithm, it is applied to four MPIM matrices and best cell arrangements for each example are obtained. Table A.1 shows the first example that is taken from (Nair & Narendran, 1998). The size of this matrice is 20*8 and the maximum number of machines in each cell is M_{max} =4. The size of second example's matrice is 20*20 and the maximum number of machines in each cell is M_{max} =5. This example is illustrated in Table A.2 (Nair & Narendran, 1998). Example No 3 is demonstrated in Table A.3 (Albadawi et al, 2005). The MPIM's size in this example is 10*15 and M_{max} =4.The MPIM matrice of fourth example is illustrated in Table A.4, this matrice is taken from (Albadawi et al, 2005). The size of this example is 7*5, maximum machine in each cell in this example is M_{max} =4.TablesA.5, A.6, A.7 and A.8 shows the results obtained by applying DPSO-SA to the examples.

The proposed algorithm for the first example leads to 8 exceptional elements that equals to the exceptional elements obtained by (Sayadi et al, 2010). Our results is better than minimum exceptional elements obtained by (Nair & Narendran, 1998) and (Boulif&Atif, 2006). The exceptional elements calculated from second example in our algorithm are 15 and are better than the results obtained by (Sayadi et al, 2010) and also by (Nair &Narendran, 1998). The exceptional elements found in these papers are 16 and 18. DPSO-SA leads to 0 exceptional elements for third example that is equal to those obtained by (Albadawi et al, 2005). Finally for the last example, exceptional elements by proposed algorithm are 2 that equals to the exceptional elements obtained by (Albadawi et.al, 2005). In Table 2 all results are compared with the best results obtained by PSO and SA algorithms. Also run times are reported (in seconds).

As shown in Table 2 our algorithm (DPSO-SA) leads to fewer exceptional elements compared to two other algorithms (PSO and SA) in all examples. By comparing the results of the PSO algorithm and the proposed algorithm it could be seen that the PSO is converged to local minima and proposed algorithm has better result in terms of exceptional elements and CPU time, so the mentioned reasons show that the proposed algorithm can be mentioned as good as previous methods.

Figures 3 illustrates the progress of convergence of PSO, SA and DPSO-SA algorithms on test examples. It can be seen obviously that the use of proposed algorithm (DPSO-SA) can effectively avoid to local minima in the test examples. Moreover, by looking at Figures 3 it can be seen that DPSO-SA requires fewer iteration numbers than PSO and SA to obtain the best solutions for our examples.

	(DPSO-SA)	PSO	SA	<u>DPSO-SA</u> Time (Sec)	<u>PSO</u> Time (Sec)	<u>SA</u> Time (Sec)
Example 1 (Nair & Narendran,1998)	8	14	10	2.31	2.50	2.45
Example 2 (Nair & Narendran,1998)	15	16	20	1.87	3.52	6.46
Example 3 (Albadawi et al,2005)	0	18	12	1.13	1.56	2.06
Example 4 (Albadawi et al.2005)	2	3	3	0.44	1.01	1.83

Table 2. Computational results obtained by DPSO-SA, PSO and SA



Figure 3. Comparison between algorithms on test examples.

5 - Evaluation of performance

To evaluate the performance of the proposed algorithms, three mostly used criteria in the literature for CFP are selected. These criteria are the percentage of exceptional elements, machine utilization, and group efficiency (Albadawi et al, 2005; Hachichaet al, 2008).

5 – 1 - Percentage of Exceptional Elements

The first criterion is percentage of exceptional elements (PE) and is the ratio of the number of exceptional elements to the total number of unity elements in entry matrice. This measure is normalized with respect to the problem size (Albadawi et al, 2005; Hachichaet al, 2008).

$$PE = \frac{1}{\text{total number of operations}} \times 100, \tag{10}$$

5.2 Machine Utilization

The next criterion is Machine Utilization (MU) that indicates the percentage of time the machines within the cluster are used in production:

$$MU = \frac{N}{\sum_{k=1}^{C} m_k p_k},\tag{11}$$

Where *N* is the total number of one numbers within the part family-machine cells, *Q* is the number of cells, where m_k and p_k denote, respectively, the number of machines in cell *k* and number of parts in family *k*. generally the higher value of MU shows the better machine utilization (Albadawi et al, 2005; Hachichaet al, 2008).

5 – 3 - Grouping efficiency

The third criterion is Grouping Efficiency (GE) and is defined as:

$$GE = \alpha \left(\frac{N}{\sum_{k=1}^{C} m_k p_k} \right) + (1 - \alpha) \left(1 - \frac{NE}{MN - \sum_{k=1}^{C} m_k p_k} \right),$$
(12)

The weight α is assigned to reveal the relative importance of each term, though a value of 0.5 is commonly used. *MN* is the size of MPIM and *NE* is the number of exceptional elements (Albadawi et al, 2005; Hachichaet al, 2008).

Unfortunately, due to the lack of data about p, m in the previous work we can't evaluate the MU and GE on test examples.

6 - Computational results

For validation of the proposed approach, two examples from the literature with different size are solved by DPSO-SA. Table 3 shows the examples with their parameters and the results obtained by the proposed algorithm. The problem size (number of parts and number of machines), the number of cells,

the maximum number of machines in each cell are listed in table 3. It can be clearly seen that for both examples our method leads to exceptional elements lower than the best result in the literature. Particularly the best solution for example No1 in the literature is 8 and for example No2 is 51, while DPSO-SA obtained 7 exceptional elements for example No1 and 50 for example No 2.

Part/Machine	Reference	Number of Part	Number of Machine	Number of Cells	MaximumNum. Machine in Cell	<u>Our</u> <u>Algorithm</u> Exceptional Elements	<u>Literature</u> Exceptional Elements
1	(Yang & Yang,2008;Sayadi et al,2010)	15	15	4	5	7	8
2	(Yang & Yang,2008)	35	28	6	6	50	51

Table 3. Examples used for tests and obtained results

To evaluate the obtained results of proposed algorithm on pervious example, PE criterion is used. The evaluation results based on PE criterion are shown in Table 4. Better formation result in a smaller PE. According to the Table 4 it can be concluded that the proposed DPSO-SA algorithm improves the PE criterion in both example. The results of this table show the effectiveness of the proposed algorithm.

Table 4. Evaluation results based on PE

Part/Machine	Number of Unity Elements	PE %	
		DPSO-SA	Previous best
1	173	4.04	4.62
2	194	25.77	26.28

7 - Conclusion

In this paper, DPSO-SA algorithm is introduced for solving cell formation problems. The proposed algorithm contribute some functions of SA and PSO algorithm in such a way that it share speedy nature of SA algorithm and optimization of PSO algorithm simultaneously, so that the new algorithm will result on optimum answer in speedy way and do not hang out on local optimum point.

The obtained results from test examples show that DPSO-SA performs better than previous algorithms and can find global optima. Compared to previous algorithms, it seems that the new algorithm would cause to lowest exceptional elements on several cases which resulted in functional improvement at each cell and system. Although this paper focuses on the minimization of exceptional elements and best formation solution only, it can adapt to more realistic manufacturing parameters such as setup cost, sequence and alternative routings. Future works may be carried out to develop efficient formulations to handle such parameters.

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Appendix A.

Table A.1	MPIM of first example	

	M_1	M ₂	M ₃	M_4	M ₅	M ₆	M ₇	M ₈
\mathbf{P}_1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
P_2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
P ₃	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
\mathbf{P}_4	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
P ₅	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
P_6	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1
\mathbf{P}_7	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
P_8	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
P 9	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
\mathbf{P}_{10}	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
P ₁₁	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
P ₁₂	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
P ₁₃	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
\mathbf{P}_{14}	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
P ₁₅	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
P ₁₆	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
P ₁₇	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
P ₁₈	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
P ₁₉	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
P ₂₀	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1

	M_1	M_2	M ₃	M_4	M_5	M_6	M ₇	M ₈	M ₉	M ₁₀	M ₁₁	M ₁₂	M ₁₃	M ₁₄	M ₁₅	M ₁₆	M ₁₇	M ₁₈	M ₁₉	M ₂₀
\mathbf{P}_1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
P_2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
P_3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
\mathbf{P}_4	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
P_5	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
P_6	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
\mathbf{P}_7	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
P_8	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
P ₉	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
\mathbf{P}_{10}	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
P ₁₁	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
P_{12}	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
P ₁₃	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
\mathbf{P}_{14}	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
P ₁₅	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
P_{16}	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
P ₁₇	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
P ₁₈	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
P ₁₉	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
P ₂₀	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0

 Table A.2MPIM of second example

	M_1	M ₂	M ₃	M_4	M ₅	M ₆	M_7	M ₈	M ₉	M ₁₀	M ₁₁	M ₁₂	M ₁₃	M ₁₄	M ₁₅
P_1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
\mathbf{P}_2	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
P ₃	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
P_4	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
P ₅	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
P_6	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
P_7	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
P_8	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
P ₉	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
P ₁₀	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0

 Table A.3 MPIM of third example

Table A.4 MPIM of forth example

	M_1	M_2	M ₃	M_4	M ₅
\mathbf{P}_1	0	0	1	1	0
\mathbf{P}_2	1	0	1	0	0
P_3	0	1	0	1	1
\mathbf{P}_4	1	0	1	0	1
P_5	0	1	0	0	1
P_6	0	0	0	1	1
P ₇	1	0	1	0	0

	M_2	M_4	M ₇	M_8	M_1	M ₃	M ₅	M_6
P ₃	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0
\mathbf{P}_4	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
P_6	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0
\mathbf{P}_7	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
P ₁₅	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
P ₁₈	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
P ₂₀	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1
\mathbf{P}_1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
P_2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
P ₅	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
\mathbf{P}_8	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
P ₉	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1
P ₁₀	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
P ₁₁	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
P ₁₂	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
P ₁₃	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
P ₁₄	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
P ₁₆	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
P ₁₇	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
P ₁₉	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0

Table A.5 Obtained result by DPSO-SA (example No 1)

	M ₂	M ₃	M ₅	M ₁₁	M ₁₄	M ₈	M ₁₆	M ₁₇	M ₁₉	M ₂₀	M_4	M_6	M ₇	M ₁₃	M ₁₅	M ₁	M ₉	M ₁₀	M ₁₂	M ₁₈
P_2	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
\mathbf{P}_4	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
P ₁₁	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
P ₁₉	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
P_6	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
P_3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
\mathbf{P}_7	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
\mathbf{P}_{10}	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
P ₁₅	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
P ₁₈	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
P ₅	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
P_8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
P_{13}	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
P_{16}	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
\mathbf{P}_1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1
P ₉	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1
P ₁₂	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1
\mathbf{P}_{14}	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
P ₁₇	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0
P ₂₀	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1

Table A.6 Obtained result by DPSO-SA (example No 2)

	M ₁₄	M_9	M ₆	M_4	M_1	M ₁₅	M ₁₃	M_8	M ₅	M ₃	M ₁₂	M ₁₁	M ₁₀	M_2	M_7
P ₉	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
\mathbf{P}_4	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
P ₃	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
P_6	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
P_8	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
P ₅	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
P_2	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
\mathbf{P}_1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
\mathbf{P}_{10}	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
P ₇	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1

Table A.7 Obtained result by DPSO-SA (example N0 3)

Table A.8 Obtained result by DPSO-SA (example No 4)

	M_2	M_5	M_4	M_1	M ₃
P_5	1	1	0	0	0
P_3	1	1	1	0	0
P_6	0	1	1	0	0
\mathbf{P}_7	0	0	0	1	1
P_2	0	0	0	1	1
\mathbf{P}_4	0	1	0	1	1
P_1	0	0	1	0	1