Stellingen

behorende bij het proefschrift

Make-to-order and make-to-stock in food processing industries

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- 1. Delayed product differentiation (postponement) strategies are usually not applicable in the processing stage of food processing industries. (Chapter 2 of this thesis)
- 2. The concepts of ABC analysis, customer order decoupling point etc. are easy to understand but their application in food processing industries is rather difficult when it comes to the make-to-order or make-to-stock decision. (Chapter 3 of this thesis)
- 3. The basic period approach for determining the cycle times for the lot-scheduling problem with shelf life considerations can never result in higher cost solutions than the common cycle approach. (Chapter 4 of this thesis)
- Scheduling methods that perform well for pure make-to-stock production situations do not necessarily perform well for hybrid make-to-order / make-to-stock situations. (Chapter 5 of this thesis)
- 5. Efforts on achieving production flexibility (e.g. set-up time reduction) will result in more benefits than those achieved by deployment of any flexible advanced planning and scheduling (APS) software.
- Most of the recent PhD theses in the area of operations management pay lip service to the industrial trends of increasing product variety, shorter order quantities, and shorter customer lead-time etc.
- 7. Translation of text using online tools results in a funny translation: Vertaling van tekst die online hulpmiddelenresultaten in een grappige vertaling gebruikt.
- 8. It is provocative to tell the Dutch that they are not as open as they claim to be.
- 9. There is a huge market potential for personal digital assistants (PDAs) in Holland since every Tom, Dick, Harry, and Chetan Soman in Holland love to make appointments and carry an agenda with them.
- 10. Internationalisation strategy of the University is ridiculous if that involves getting students only from Indonesia and China.