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Supply Chain Contract Management - Marcel Sieke
2019-03-20

In recent years, the design of contracts in supply chains has received significant attention from researchers and practitioners. Companies try to improve their profits by

designing efficient contracts that ensure a high availability of the product at a low cost. In this book the author presents a quantitative approach for designing optimal supply chain contracts. Firstly, service level contracts, which are frequently used between a supplier and a

manufacturer, are analyzed. For this contract type, optimal contract parameter combinations are identified that lead to a coordinated supply chain. Secondly, an optimal contract selection strategy is developed for a supply chain where a manufacturer can choose among multiple potential buyers. Potential readership includes scholars of supply chain management and management science, graduate students interested in these areas as well as interested practitioners involved in negotiating contracts.

Problems & Solutions in Inventory Management - Dinesh Shenoy 2017-10-05

This book presents a compilation of over 200 numerical problems and solutions that students can use to learn, practice and master the Inventory Control and Management concepts. Intended as a companion to any of the standard textbooks in Inventory Control and Management and written in simple language, it illustrates

very clearly the steps students need to follow in order to solve a given problem. It also explains which solution methodologies can be used under which circumstances. Offering an ideal one-stop resource for mid-level engineering and business students who have taken Inventory Management or a related subject as an elective, this book is the only one students will ever need to prepare and gain confidence for their examinations in this subject.

Practical Inventory Management - Steven Nahmias 2015-01-01

Production and Operations Analysis - Steven Nahmias 1997

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Factory Physics Wallace J. Hopp 2001

Comprehensive Introduction to Manufacturing Management text covering the behavior laws at work in factories. Examines operating policies and strategic objectives. Hopp presents the concepts of manufacturing processes and controls within a "physics" or "laws of nature" analogy--a novel approach. There is enough quantitative material for an engineer's

course, as well as narrative that a management major can understand and apply.

Managing for Quality and Performance Excellence -

James R. Evans 2013-01-02

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Retail Supply Chain

Management - Narendra

Agrawal 2015-04-20

This new edition focuses on three crucial areas of retail supply chain management: (1) empirical studies of retail supply chain practices, (2) assortment and inventory planning and (3) integrating price optimization into retail supply chain decisions. The book has been fully updated,

expanding on the distinguishing features of the original, while offering three new chapters on recent topics which reflect areas of great interest and relevance to the academic and professional communities alike - inventory management in the presence of data inaccuracies, retail workforce management, and fast fashion retail strategies. The innovations, lessons for practice, and new technological solutions for managing retail supply chains are important not just in retailing, but offer crucial insights and strategies for the ultimate effective management of supply chains in other industries as well. The retail industry has emerged as a fascinating choice for researchers in the field of supply chain management. It presents a vast array of stimulating challenges that have long provided the context of much of the research in the area of operations research and inventory management. However, in recent years, advances in computing

capabilities and information technologies, hyper-competition in the retail industry, emergence of multiple retail formats and distribution channels, an ever increasing trend towards a globally dispersed retail network, and a better understanding of the importance of collaboration in the extended supply chain have led to a surge in academic research on topics in retail supply chain management. Many supply chain innovations (e.g., vendor managed inventory) were first conceived and successfully validated in this industry, and have since been adopted in others. Conversely, many retailers have been quick to adopt cutting edge practices that first originated in other industries. Retail Supply Chain Management: Quantitative Models and Empirical Studies, 2nd Ed. is an attempt to summarize the state of the art in this research, as well as offer a perspective on what new applications may lie ahead.

The Practice of Supply Chain Management: Where Theory and Application Converge -

Terry P. Harrison 2006-04-11

For over a decade, there has been an increasing interest in the use of supply chain methods to improve performance across the entire business enterprise. Numerous industries have recognized the importance of efficient supply chain integration, and, as a result, supply chain management has become a standard part of business practice. The Practice of Supply Chain Management: Where Theory and Application Converge is a must-have volume for users of supply chain management methods, supply chain management researchers, and students in supply chain management. The objective of the book is to provide an overview of this important practice-research cycle, and it is organized into three sections: Core Concepts and Practices; Emerging Supply Chain Practices; and Supply Chain in Action. The focus of the book is on supply

chain practice, but supply chain practice that has been heavily influenced by supply chain research. It is this synergy between research and practice that continues to simulate new directions for research.

Exact and Heuristic Scheduling Algorithms - Frank Werner
2020-03-18

This edited book presents new results in the area of the development of exact and heuristic scheduling algorithms. It contains eight articles accepted for publication for a Special Issue in the journal Algorithms. The book presents new algorithms, e.g., for flow shop, job shop, and parallel machine scheduling problems. The particular articles address subjects such as a heuristic for the routing and scheduling problem with time windows, applied to the automotive industry in Mexico, a heuristic for the blocking job shop problem with tardiness minimization based on new neighborhood structures, fast heuristics for the Euclidean

traveling salesman problem or a new mathematical model for the period-aggregated resource leveling problem with variable job duration, and several others.

Supply Chain Management - Sunil Chopra 2010

'Supply Chain Management' illustrates the key drivers of good supply chain management in order to help students understand what creates a competitive advantage. It also provides strong coverage of analytic skills so that students can gauge the effectiveness of the techniques described.

Supply Chain Science -

Wallace J. Hopp 2011-08-25

Managers face an infinite range of situations and problems that involve bringing materials and information together to produce and deliver goods and services to customers. In Hopp's solid, practical introduction to manufacturing and supply chain dynamics, managers learn how to use the scientific approach to understand why systems behave the way they do as an effective way to deal

with almost any scenario they may face. Written in a reader-friendly style, the text includes useful examples from manufacturers as well as service providers, presents the key concepts that underlie the behavior of operations systems in a largely non-mathematical way, contains illustrations and analogies to everyday life, links theory to practice, and reinforces the learning process with end-of-chapter Questions for Thought.

What Every Engineer Should Know About Risk Engineering and Management - John X.

Wang 2000-02-15

"Explains how to assess and handle technical risk, schedule risk, and cost risk efficiently and effectively--enabling engineering professionals to anticipate failures regardless of system complexity--highlighting opportunities to turn failure into success."

Production and Operations Analytics - Steven Nahmias 2020-10-01

Nahmias and Olsen skillfully blend comprehensive coverage of topics with careful

integration of mathematics. The authors' decades of experience in the field contributed to the success of previous editions; the eighth edition continues the long tradition of excellence. Clearly written, reasonably priced, with an abundance of expertly formulated practice problems and updated examples, this textbook is essential reading for analyzing and improving all facets of operations. Some of the material in the newest edition has been reorganized. For example, the first chapter introduces service strategy, the product/process matrix and flexible manufacturing systems, benchmarking, the productivity frontier, the innovation curve, and lean production as a strategy. The focus is slightly more international. The analysis of capacity growth planning now appears in the chapter on supply chain analytics. Aggregate planning details were added to chapter 3, including chase and level strategies in an appendix to the chapter. There is an expanded

discussion on risk pooling in the chapter on supply chain strategy. The mechanics behind lean production are included in the chapter on push and pull production systems. The chapter on quality and assurance downplays sampling in favor of discussions of quality management, process capability, and the waste elimination side of lean. The separate chapter on facilities layout and location was eliminated and the information redistributed throughout the text. The authors reinforce the learning process through key points at the beginning of each chapter to guide the reader, snapshots that provide useful examples of applications to businesses, and historical notes that provide a context for the topics discussed. Production and Operations Analytics, 8/e provides the tools for adapting to the dynamic global marketplace.

Project Management - DK
2022-01-04

The practical e-guide that gives you the skills to succeed as a project manager. Discover how

to improve your project management skills by defining a project brief, identifying stakeholders, and building a strong team. You'll also learn useful tips for initiating projects, setting deadlines, and managing your budgets.

Essential Managers gives you a practical "how-to" approach with step-by-step instructions, tips, checklists, and "ask yourself" features showing you how to focus your energy, manage change, and make an impact. DK's Essential Managers series contains the knowledge you need to be a more effective manager and hone your management style. Whether you're new to project management or simply looking to sharpen your existing skills, this is the e-guide for you.

The Logic of Logistics - David Simchi-Levi 2007-07-03

Fierce competition in today's global market provides a powerful motivation for developing ever more sophisticated logistics systems. This book, written for the logistics manager and researcher, presents a survey

of the modern theory and application of logistics. The goal of the book is to present the state-of-the-art in the science of logistics management. As a result, the authors have written a timely and authoritative survey of this field that many practitioners and researchers will find makes an invaluable companion to their work.

Occupational Ergonomics
Fariborz Tayyari 1997-05-31

This book is intended to be used as a textbook on senior/graduate level courses in human factors engineering and ergonomics. It will provide students with a background in physiological, biomechanical and anthropometric bases of ergonomics, and then focus on the applications of ergonomic principles in designing work systems for efficient human-machine interfaces.

Production and Operations Analysis - Steven Nahmias 2009

Production and Operations Analysis, 6/e by Steven Nahmias provides a survey of the analytical methods used to

support the functions of production and operations management. This latest edition maintains the focus on continual process improvement while enhancing the technical content of the book. Both analytical methods centered on factory and service processes, as well as process issues across the supply chain, are included. As always, the text presents the most cutting-edge quantitative models used in operations in a clear, accessible manner. While the familiar structure and organization of the text remains the same as previous editions, the current edition includes several new topics aimed at enhancing the technical content of the book.

Complex System Maintenance Handbook - Khairy Ahmed Helmy Kobbacy 2008-04-15
This utterly comprehensive work is thought to be the first to integrate the literature on the physics of the failure of complex systems such as hospitals, banks and transport networks. It has chapters on particular aspects of

maintenance written by internationally-renowned researchers and practitioners. This book will interest maintenance engineers and managers in industry as well as researchers and graduate students in maintenance, industrial engineering and applied mathematics.

Service Systems Engineering and Management - A. Ravi Ravindran 2018-04-18
Recipient of the 2019 IISE Institute of Industrial and Systems Engineers Joint Publishers Book-of-the-Year Award This is a comprehensive textbook on service systems engineering and management. It emphasizes the use of engineering principles to the design and operation of service enterprises. Service systems engineering relies on mathematical models and methods to solve problems in the service industries. This textbook covers state-of-the-art concepts, models and solution methods important in the design, control, operations and management of service enterprises. Service Systems

Engineering and Management begins with a basic overview of service industries and their importance in today's economy. Special challenges in managing services, namely, perishability, intangibility, proximity and simultaneity are discussed. Quality of service metrics and methods for measuring them are then discussed. Evaluating the design and operation of service systems frequently involves the conflicting criteria of cost and customer service. This textbook presents two approaches to evaluate the performance of service systems - Multiple Criteria Decision Making and Data Envelopment Analysis. The textbook then discusses several topics in service systems engineering and management - supply chain optimization, warehousing and distribution, modern portfolio theory, revenue management, retail engineering, health systems engineering and financial services. Features: Stresses quantitative models and methods in service systems engineering and management

Includes chapters on design and evaluation of service systems, supply chain engineering, warehousing and distribution, financial engineering, healthcare systems, retail engineering and revenue management Bridges theory and practice Contains end-of-chapter problems, case studies, illustrative examples, and real-world applications Service Systems Engineering and Management is primarily addressed to those who are interested in learning how to apply operations research models and methods for managing service enterprises. This textbook is well suited for industrial engineering students interested in service systems applications and MBA students in elective courses in operations management, logistics and supply chain management that emphasize quantitative analysis.

Perspectives in Operations Management - Rakesh K. Sarin
2012-12-06

In the fall of 1992 a conference honoring Elwood S. Buffa was held at the Anderson Graduate

School of Management of the University of California, Los Angeles. This book is a collection of the work presented at that conference. The scholars who gathered to honor El are the prominent researchers in the field of Operations Management. Their collective work published in this book represents the richness of the field and provides the reader with valuable insights into its important issues and problems. While any grouping of the articles by these distinguished scholars will be arbitrary, I have organized the book in four sections. In the first section the articles dealing with the strategic issues in Operations Management are compiled. The articles deal with continuous improvement, quality, services, supply chain management, and creating value through operations. The articles that explore the interface of Operations Management with other functional areas, e.g. engineering and marketing, are grouped in the second section. The third section of the book

contains articles that attempt to model some important planning problems that arise in the management of production and operations. Some of the papers in this section provide state of the art reviews of selected topic areas. Finally, the fourth section contains articles that deal with future directions for Operations Management. The authors offer several insights into the future evolution of the field. The book begins with the keynote address given by El Buffa at the start of the conference on November 2, 1991.

Supply Chain Metrics that Matter - Lora M. Cecere
2014-12-08

How to Conquer the Effective Frontier and Drive Improved Value in Global Operations Growth has slowed. Volatility has increased and the world is more global. Brands are defined by innovation and services. Supply chain excellence matters more than ever. It makes a difference incorporate performance. One cannot snap their fingers and deliver supply chain success. It

happens over the course of many years. It is measured in inches not miles. In this book, the author evaluates the progress of over a hundred companies over the period of 2006-2013. Success drives value. The effective supply chain makes a difference in winning a war, saving a patient, and driving commerce; but it also makes a difference in a community having clean air, potable water, and a standard of living. Mistakes are hard to overcome. Supply Chain Metrics that Matter tells this story. The book links corporate financials to supply chain maturity. In the book, the author analyzes which metrics matter. The author Lora M. Cecere is a supply chain researcher as well as an authority in supply chain technology. She helps companies gain first mover advantage. In the book, Cecere provides concrete, actionable steps to align and balance the supply chain to drive value. The book explores the crossover between supply chain efficiency and financial growth with

topics such as: Outlining the metrics that matter, the metrics that don't Progress in industry sub-segment in improving inventory, cash, productivity and margin The management techniques that improve performance Sharing insights on how metrics change as the supply chain matures The roadmap to improve performance. Today, supply chains are global and dynamic. They are rapidly evolving. Companies that constantly seek out new solutions and opportunities for improvement drive differentiation. In a market where growth is stalled and many companies are stuck in driving supply chain performance, this book provides a clear, concise framework for a more modern, effective supply chain.

Introduction to Computational Optimization Models for Production Planning in a Supply Chain - Stefan Voß 2013-06-05

An easy-to-read introduction to the concepts associated with the creation of optimization

models for production planning starts off this book. These concepts are then applied to well-known planning models, namely mrp and MRP II. From this foundation, fairly sophisticated models for supply chain management are developed. Another unique feature is that models are developed with an eye toward implementation. In fact, there is a chapter that provides explicit examples of implementation of the basic models using a variety of popular, commercially available modeling languages.

Planning and Control of Maintenance Systems - Salih O. Duffuaa 2015-07-11

Analyzing maintenance as an integrated system with objectives, strategies and processes that need to be planned, designed, engineered, and controlled using statistical and optimization techniques, the theme of this book is the strategic holistic system approach for maintenance. This approach enables maintenance decision makers to view maintenance as a provider of a

competitive edge not a necessary evil. Encompassing maintenance systems; maintenance strategic and capacity planning, planned and preventive maintenance, work measurements and standards, material (spares) control, maintenance operations and control, planning and scheduling, maintenance quality, training, and others, this book gives readers an understanding of the relevant methodology and how to apply it to real-world problems in industry. Each chapter includes a number exercises and is suitable as a textbook or a reference for a professionals and practitioners whilst being of interest to industrial engineering, mechanical engineering, electrical engineering, and industrial management students. It can also be used as a textbook for short courses on maintenance in industry. This text is the second edition of the book, which has four new chapters added and three chapters are revised substantially to reflect development in maintenance

since the publication of the first edition. The new chapters cover reliability centered maintenance, total productive maintenance, e-maintenance and maintenance performance, productivity and continuous improvement.

Culture Media, Solutions, and Systems in Human ART -

Patrick Quinn 2014-03-27

This volume describes culture media and solutions used in human ART; how they have been developed for in vitro human pre-implantation embryo development, the function and importance of the various components in media and solutions and how they interact, and how the systems in which these are used can influence outcomes. Chapters discuss inorganic solutes, energy substrates, amino acids, macromolecules, cytokines, growth factors, buffers, pH, osmolality, and the interaction of these parameters. The role of incubators and other physical factors are reviewed, along with the relevance and prospects of emerging technologies: morphokinetic

analysis using time-lapse imaging and dynamic fluid incubation systems. Results of prospective randomized trials are emphasized to ascertain the added value of these techniques for selecting viable embryos. This comprehensive guide will be invaluable for embryologists, physicians and all personnel involved in the fluid products used in human ART seeking to optimize their successful use of these components.

Simulation Modeling

Handbook - Christopher A. Chung 2003-07-15

The use of simulation modeling and analysis is becoming increasingly more popular as a technique for improving or investigating process performance. This book is a practical, easy-to-follow reference that offers up-to-date information and step-by-step procedures for conducting simulation studies. It provides sample simulation project support materi

Building a Better Delivery System - Institute of Medicine 2005-10-20

In a joint effort between the National Academy of Engineering and the Institute of Medicine, this book attempts to bridge the knowledge/awareness divide separating health care professionals from their potential partners in systems engineering and related disciplines. The goal of this partnership is to transform the U.S. health care sector from an underperforming conglomerate of independent entities (individual practitioners, small group practices, clinics, hospitals, pharmacies, community health centers et. al.) into a high performance "system" in which every participating unit recognizes its dependence and influence on every other unit. By providing both a framework and action plan for a systems approach to health care delivery based on a partnership between engineers and health care professionals, *Building a Better Delivery System* describes opportunities and challenges to harness the power of systems-engineering

tools, information technologies and complementary knowledge in social sciences, cognitive sciences and business/management to advance the U.S. health care system.

Design, Analysis and Optimization of Supply Chains - William R.

Killingsworth 2011-06-23
Intended for an audience of graduate students, executive MBA students, and mid-to upper level government and corporate managers, *Design, Analysis and Optimization of Supply Chains: A System Dynamic Approach* examines the complexity of the types of organizations that comprise a modern supply chain, the problems that arise as a result of this complexity, and the solutions and analytical approaches available to managers that can help resolve these real world problems and dilemmas. The modern enterprise, be it a large corporation or a government agency, has two key dimensions of complexity: static and dynamic. The static

complexity refers to the remarkable number of companies and agencies that enable delivery of the product or service. A static "snapshot" of this end-to-end enterprise would reveal hundreds if not thousands of companies involved in the supply network and many additional firms involved in the distribution and delivery to customers.

Planning, communication, coordination and execution of this large system network is fundamentally challenging just because of the sheer size. This large, extended network represents the static complexity. The dynamic complexity arises from the difficulty of managing the performance of this extended enterprise over time. This requires having the appropriate metrics to track performance over time, the management skills to develop strategies, the ability to collect and monitor the correct data for true visibility, and the recognition and understanding of the long lags between actions and results. Design,

Analysis and Optimization of Supply Chains: A System Dynamic Approach incorporates real-world examples and cases, representing actual complex enterprise systems including firms involved and with long lead times, to illustrate the multi-faceted activities occurring within a modern supply chain and the challenges they pose to managers. Simulation and optimization techniques are introduced and used to develop strategies for improved performance.

Foundations of Stochastic Inventory Theory Evan L. Porteus 2002

This book has a dual purpose? serving as an advanced textbook designed to prepare doctoral students to do research on the mathematical foundations of inventory theory, and as a reference work for those already engaged in such research. All chapters conclude with exercises that either solidify or extend the concepts introduced.

Matching Supply with Demand

- Gérard Cachon 2008
MATCHING SUPPLY WITH DEMAND by Cachon and Terwiesch is the most authoritative, cutting-edge book for operations management MBAs. The book demands rigorous analysis on the part of students without requiring consistent use of sophisticated mathematical modeling to perform it. When the use of quantitative tools or formal modeling is indicated, it is only to perform the necessary analysis needed to inform and support a practical business solution.

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Operations Research and Health Care - Margaret L. Brandeau 2006-04-05

In both rich and poor nations, public resources for health care are inadequate to meet demand. Policy makers and health care providers must determine how to provide the most effective health care to citizens using the limited resources that are available. This chapter describes current and future challenges in the delivery of health care, and outlines the role that operations research (OR)

models can play in helping to solve those problems. The chapter concludes with an overview of this book - its intended audience, the areas covered, and a description of the subsequent chapters. KEY WORDS Health care delivery, Health care planning HEALTH CARE DELIVERY: PROBLEMS AND CHALLENGES 3 1.1 WORLDWIDE HEALTH: THE PAST 50 YEARS Human health has improved significantly in the last 50 years. In 1950, global life expectancy was 46 years [1]. That figure rose to 61 years by 1980 and to 67 years by 1998 [2]. Much of these gains occurred in low- and middle-income countries, and were due in large part to improved nutrition and sanitation, medical innovations, and improvements in public health infrastructure.

Integrated Modeling for Location Analysis - Ho-Yin Mak 2016-10-18

This book develops analytical methodologies to inform the planning decisions for evaluating and selecting siting plans for facilities that ensure

both convenient provision of products and services by customers and users and efficient operations.

Managing Business Process Flows - Ravi Anupindi 2012

A process flows approach to operations is used to show students how managers can design and control businesses to achieve desired results.

Operations Management - Jay H. Heizer 2014

For undergraduate Operations Management courses. A broad, practical introduction to operations, reinforced with an extensive collection of practice problems. Operations Management presents a broad introduction to the field of operations in a realistic and practical manner, while offering the largest and most diverse collection of problems on the market. The problems found in this text also contain ample support--found in the book's solved-problems, worked examples, and myomlab, Pearson's new online homework and tutorial system--to help students complete and understand assignments even

when they're not in class. Note: This is the standalone book, if you want the book/access card order the ISBN below:

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chains, and thanks to a richly
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illustrating code snippet, so
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CEO, Lokad Inventory
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mathematical inventory models
can only take us so far with
supply chain management. In
order to optimize inventory
policies, we have to use
probabilistic simulations. The
book explains how to
implement these models and
simulations step-by-step,
starting from simple
deterministic ones to complex
multi-echelon optimization. The
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models, their limitations and
assumptions, and a quick but
effective introduction to Python
is provided. Part 3 contains
more advanced models that
will allow you to optimize your
profits, estimate your lost sales
and use advanced demand
distributions. It also provides
an explanation of how you can
optimize a multi-echelon supply
chain based on a simple—yet
powerful—framework. Part 4
discusses inventory
optimization thanks to

simulations under custom discrete demand probability functions. Inventory managers, demand planners and academics interested in gaining cost-effective solutions will benefit from the "do-it-yourself" examples and Python programs included in each chapter.

Production and Operations Analysis Steven Nahmias
2015-01-15

The Seventh Edition of *Production and Operations Analysis* builds a solid foundation for beginning students of production and operations management. Continuing a long tradition of excellence, Nahmias and Olsen bring decades of combined experience to craft the most clear and up-to-date resource available. The authors' thorough updates include incorporation of current technology that improves the effectiveness of production processes, additional qualitative sections, and new material on service operations management and servicization. Bolstered by copious examples

and problems, each chapter stands alone, allowing instructors to tailor the material to their specific needs. The text is essential reading for learning how to better analyze and improve on all facets of operations.

Production and Operations Analysis - Steven Nahmias
2015

Value-Added Decision Making for Managers - Kenneth Chelst
2011-10-05

Developed from the authors' longstanding course on decision and risk analysis, *Value-Added Decision Making for Managers* explores the important interaction between decisions and management action and clarifies the barriers to rational decision making. The authors analyze strengths and weaknesses of the best alternatives, enabling decision makers to improve on these alternatives by adding value and reducing risk. The core of the text addresses decisions that involve selecting the best alternative from diverse choices. The decisions include

buying a car, picking a supplier or home contractor, selecting a technology, picking a location for a manufacturing plant or sports stadium, hiring an employee or selecting among job offers, deciding on the size of a sales force, making a late design change, and sourcing to emerging markets. The book also covers more complex decisions arising in negotiations, strategy, and ethics that involve multiple dimensions simultaneously. Numerous activities interspersed throughout the text highlight real-world situations, helping readers see how the concepts presented can be used in their own work environment or personal life. Each chapter also includes discussion questions and references. Web Resource The book's website at <http://ise.wayne.edu/research/decision.php> offers tutorials of Logical Decisions software for

multi-objective decisions and Precision Tree software for probabilistic decisions. Directions for downloading student versions of the DecisionTools Suite and Logical Decisions software can be found in the appendices. Password-protected PowerPoint presentations for each chapter and solutions to all of the numeric examples are available for instructors.

Additive Manufacturing -
Amit Bandyopadhyay
2015-09-08

The field of additive manufacturing has seen explosive growth in recent years due largely in part to renewed interest from the manufacturing sector. Conceptually, additive manufacturing, or industrial 3D printing, is a way to build parts without using any part-specific tooling or dies from the computer-aided design (CAD) file of the part. Today, mo