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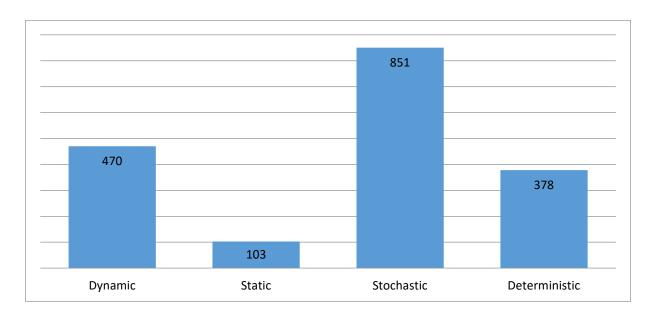


Figure S1: Subgroups of the group "type of problem" and their number of recording unit hits

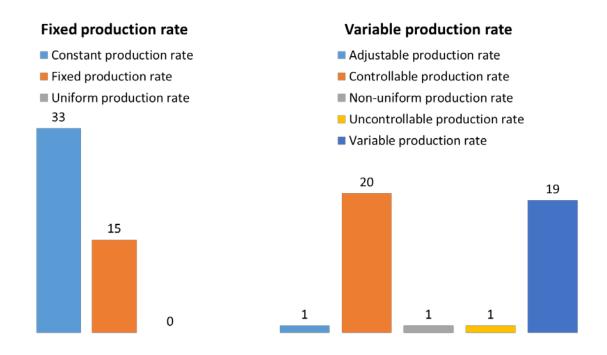


Figure S2: Number of recording unit hits for different assumptions on the production rates

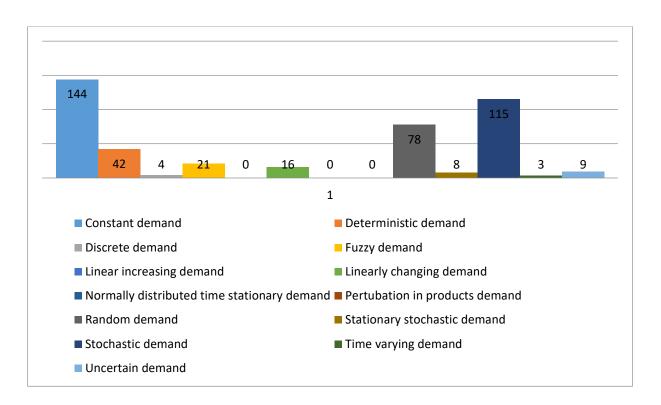


Figure S3: Number of recording unit hits for different types of demand structures

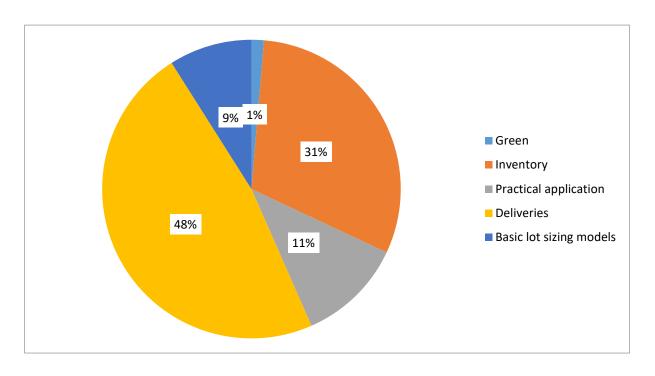


Figure S4: Subgroups of the group "other topics" and their shares in the recording unit count

## Appendix

### Appendix A: Detailed results of the CA

Table A1: Results of the content analysis

				Number of	Number	Hits
Group	Subgroup	Terms	Recording units	hits in the	of	per
				sample	papers	paper
1. Type of problem	Dynamic		dynamic <sup>1</sup>	470	96	4.90
r	Static		static	103	43	2.40
	Stochastic		fuzzy	219	10	21.90
			probabilistic	27	13	2.08
			stochastic	605	90	6.72
	Deterministic		deterministic	378	127	2.98
2. Scheduling policy	Common-cycle- approach		common cycle, CC, CCA	1939	174	11.14

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The recording unit hits for "dynamic programming" have been subtracted from the recording unit hits for "dynamic".

	Basic-period-	General terms	basic period <sup>2</sup> , BP, BPA	1905	143	13.32
	approach		fundamental cycle, fundamental period, FC	391	38	10.29
		Extended- Basic-Period- Approach	extended basic, EBP, EBPA	476	73	6.52
	Time-varying- lot-size- approach		time varying lot, TVLSA, TVLS	407	91	4.47
	No cycle approach		no cycle approach	0	0	0.00
	$2^x$ -policy		power-of-two, POT, POW2	874	85	10.28
3. Solution	Exact methods	General terms	branch and bound, B&B	58	29	2.00
methodology			dynamic programming, DP	312	117	2.67
			enumeration	132	50	2.64
			exact algorithm	12	7	1.71

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The recording unit hits for "extended basic" have been subtracted from the recording unit hits for "basic period".

		exact method	17	8	2.13
		linear programming, LP	410	110	3.73
		marginal analysis	44	17	2.59
		optimum	376	104	3.62
	More detailed	integer linear programming, ILP*	61	24	2.54
		lagrange, lagrangian	121	42	2.88
		mixed integer linear programming, MILP*	130	23	5.65
Heuristic methods	General terms	dispatch rule, dispatching rule	2	2	1.00
		heuristic <sup>3</sup>	3701	212	17.46
		priority rule	55	10	5.50
	Specific heuristics	g-group heuristic*	19	15	1.27
		Johnson's algorithm	2	1	2.00
		mixed integer nonlinear programming, MINLP*	133	17	7.82

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The recording unit hits for "meta-heuristic" have been subtracted from the recording unit hits for "heuristic".

		pt heuristic*	18	7	2.57
		two-group heuristic*	20	11	1.82
Meta-heuristic	General terms	evolutionary algorithm, evolution, EA	235	63	3.73
nethous		greedy algorithm	71	25	2.84
		local search	151	35	4.31
		meta-heuristic	87	30	2.90
		neighborhood	169	40	4.23
	Specific meta-	artificial bee colony algorithm, ABC	266	9	29.56
	neuristics	simulated annealing, SA	453	45	10.07
		ant colony algorithm, ACO, ACA	59	14	4.21
		binary search	61	6	10.17
		cuckoo search, CS	166	17	9.76
		genetic algorithm, GA	1564	79	19.80
		golden section search, GSS	71	9	7.89
	Meta-heuristic methods	nethods	two-group heuristic*  Meta-heuristic nethods  General terms  evolutionary algorithm, evolution, EA  greedy algorithm  local search  meta-heuristic  neighborhood  Specific meta-heuristics  simulated annealing, SA  ant colony algorithm, ACO, ACA  binary search  cuckoo search, CS  genetic algorithm, GA	two-group heuristic*    The state of the color of the col	two-group heuristic*   20

			hybrid genetic algorithm, HGA*	387	40	9.68
			iterated local search, ILS*	104	5	20.80
			memetic algorithm	15	8	1.88
			partical swarm optimization, PSO	185	8	23.13
			tabu search, taboo, TS	491	72	6.82
	Artificial		artificial intelligence	3	3	1.00
	intelligence		artificial neural network	4	4	1.00
	Simulation		simulation	372	67	5.55
4. Specific	Planning horizon		finite horizon <sup>4</sup>	89	33	2.70
assumptions			fixed horizon	1	1	1.00
			infinite horizon	76	44	1.73
	Production rate	General term	production rate	1250	209	5.98
		More detailed	adjustable production rate*	1	1	1.00

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The recording unit hits for "infinite horizon" have been subtracted from the recording unit hits for "finite horizon".

		bottleneck	55	20	2.75
		constant production rate*	33	28	1.18
		controllable production rate <sup>5</sup> *	20	10	2.00
		fixed production rate*	15	7	2.14
		learning	131	28	4.68
		non-uniform production rate*	1	1	1.00
		uncontrollable production rate*	1	1	1.00
		uniform production rate <sup>6</sup> *	0	0	0.00
		variable production rate*	19	12	1.58
Setup	General terms	setup <sup>7</sup>	4765	238	20.02
		changeover <sup>8</sup>	308	49	6.29
	More detailed	setup time*	1823	218	8.36

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> The recording unit hits for "uncontrollable production rate" have been subtracted from the recording unit hits for "controllable production rate".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The recording unit hits for "non-uniform production rate" have been subtracted from the recording unit hits for "uniform production rate".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> The recording unit hits for "setup cost" have been subtracted from the recording unit hits for "setup" since they belong to the group "scheduling objectives".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> The recording unit hits for "changeover cost" have been subtracted from the recording unit hits for "changeover" since they belong to the group "scheduling objectives".

		changeover time*	46	18	2.56
		family, families	701	58	12.09
		group technology	54	15	3.60
Demand	General term	demand rate	835	204	4.09
	More detailed	constant demand	144	84	1.71
		deterministic demand	42	33	1.27
		discrete demand	4	3	1.33
		fuzzy demand	21	5	4.20
		linear increasing demand	0	0	0.00
		linearly changing demand	16	2	8.00
		normally distributed time stationary demand	0	0	0.00
		perturbation in products demand	0	0	0.00
		random demand	78	37	2.11
		stationary stochastic demand*	8	7	1.14

		stochastic demand	115	38	3.03
		time varying demand	3	2	1.50
		uncertain demand	9	8	1.13
Number of products		two-product, two-item	466	122	3.82
		three-product, three-item	138	66	2.09
		multi-item, multi-product, n-item, n-product	908	193	4.70
Shortages	General terms	runout	134	16	8.38
		shortage	420	99	4.24
		stock out	312	65	4.80
	More detailed	backlog	264	65	4.06
		backorder	662	101	6.55
		lost order, order lost	0	0	0.00
		lost sale	192	34	5.65
Zero switch rule		zero switch, ZSR, zero inventory	184	58	3.17

Sequence-	sequence dependent, sequence dependency	342	76	4.50
dependency				
Product	coproduction	281	3	93.67
problems	defective item	82	13	6.31
	deterioration, deteriorating item	248	25	9.92
	failure rate	8	6	1.33
	imperfect quality	43	15	2.87
	non-conforming item	33	8	4.13
	remanufacturing	284	14	20.29
	reorder	133	34	3.91
	reproduction	63	22	2.86
	restoration	64	10	6.40
	rework	460	28	16.43
	shelf life	276	24	11.50

Machine	breakdown	80	14	5.71
problems	disruption	112	17	6.59
	in control	54	16	3.38
	inspection	299	23	13.00
	machine availability	4	3	1.33
	machine reliability	0	0	0.00
	maintenance	93	35	2.66
	out of control	72	15	4.80
	performance decay	47	3	31.33
	process restoration	11	6	1.83
	repair	176	23	7.65
	stability	57	17	3.35
	unreliable machine	0	0	0.00

5. Flow pattern	Single-machine		single-machine, one facility, one machine, single	1101	210	5.24
			facility, 1 machine, 1 facility, single stage			
	Multi-machine	General terms	multi-facility, multi-machine, multi-factory, n-	381	93	4.10
			machine, n-facilities, m-machine, m-facilities, two-			
			stage, multi-stage			
			flow shop	268	37	7.24
			job shop	142	31	4.58
			open shop	19	5	3.80
		Parallel	identical machine <sup>9</sup>	43	23	1.87
		machines	non-identical machine	5	4	1.25
			parallel machine	146	26	5.62
			unrelated machine	3	3	1.00
			unrelated parallel machine*	34	7	4.86
	Schedule		cyclic schedule <sup>10</sup>	384	98	3.92

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> The recording unit hits for "non-identical machine" have been subtracted from the recording unit hits for "identical machine". <sup>10</sup> The recording unit hits for "no cyclic schedule" have been subtracted from the recording unit hits for "cyclic schedule".

			no cyclic schedule	4	4	1.00
			repetitive schedule	15	10	1.50
			rotation schedule	85	17	5.00
6. Structural properties of the	Feasibility	General term	feasibility	1219	186	6.55
ELSP		More detailed	capacity feasibility*	11	7	1.57
			schedule feasibility*	406	116	3.50
	Complexity		complexity	189	107	1.77
			np-complete	41	25	1.64
			np-hard	247	116	2.13
			polynomial	95	42	2.26
	Bounds		lower bound, LB	1836	165	11.13
			upper bound, UB	666	115	5.79
			independent solution	148	53	2.79
	Theory		theorem	330	52	6.35

	lemma	299	40	7.48
	corollary	68	23	2.96
Cost	changeover cost	44	16	2.75
	energy cost	31	3	10.33
	holding cost	1451	225	6.45
	inventory cost	300	98	3.06
	order cost	167	44	3.80
	production cost	225	61	3.69
	setup cost	1882	233	8.08
	total cost	1220	190	6.42
	transportation cost	136	30	4.53
Workload	work in process, work in progress, WIP	241	38	6.34
	workload	163	15	10.87
Profit	profit	216	31	6.97
	Workload	Cost  Changeover cost  energy cost  holding cost  inventory cost  order cost  production cost  setup cost  total cost  transportation cost  Workload  work in process, work in progress, WIP	Cost   Changeover cost   44	Cost   Changeover cost   44   16

	Inventory	amount of inventory	11	10	1.10
	Makespan	completion time	92	32	2.88
		flow time	53	12	4.42
		makespan	91	16	5.69
		shortest processing time, SPT	62	10	6.20
8. Extended coverage	ELSP and its extensions	economic lot scheduling problem with returns, ELSPR*	172	9	19.11
		economic lot scheduling problem with reworks*	0	0	0.00
		flow shop ELSP, FS-ELSP*	67	5	13.40
		group technology-economic lot scheduling problem, GT-ELSP*	71	9	7.89
		capacitated lot sizing problem, CLSP	153	22	6.95
		discrete lotsizing and scheduling problem, DLSP	8	3	2.67
		economic lot and delivery scheduling problem, ELDSP	244	27	9.04

		economic lot scheduling and delivering problem, ELSDP	3	1	3.00
		economic lot and inspection scheduling problem, ELISP	47	2	23.50
		economic lot and supply scheduling problem, ELSSP	102	5	20.40
		economic lot scheduling problem, ELSP	4702	221	21.28
		general lotsizing and scheduling problem, GLSP	7	2	3.50
		proportional lotsizing and scheduling problem, PLSP	3	2	1.50
		stochastic economic lot scheduling problem, SELSP*	308	26	11.85
9. Other topics	Green	emission	8	2	4.00
		green	14	8	1.75
		sustainable, sustainability	3	2	1.50
		waste, wastage	40	25	1.60

Inventory	base-stock	328	19	17.26
	buffer	108	33	3.27
	intermediate storage*	1	1	1.00
	make-to-order, MTO	183	19	9.63
	make-to-stock, MTS	151	19	7.95
	order up to level	51	11	4.64
	procurement	76	27	2.81
	safety-stock	426	40	10.65
	storage	163	44	3.70
Practical application	chemical	105	36	2.92
application	fashion	41	31	1.32
	food	256	38	6.74
	pharmaceutical	43	11	3.91
	plastic	44	30	1.47

delivery  equal-lot <sup>11</sup> , ELS  lead time	304 897 95 179	64 71 37	4.75 12.63 2.57
equal-lot <sup>11</sup> , ELS	95		
		37	2.57
lead time	179		
		37	4.84
lot-for-lot	8	4	2.00
resource constraint	16	13	1.23
routing	109	21	5.19
shipment	425	33	12.88
shipping	160	22	7.27
unequal-lot	4	4	1.00
vehicle	113	16	7.06
economic order quantity, EOQ	196	72	2.72
	resource constraint  routing  shipment  shipping  unequal-lot  vehicle	resource constraint 16 routing 109 shipment 425 shipping 160 unequal-lot 4 vehicle 113	resource constraint 16 13  routing 109 21  shipment 425 33  shipping 160 22  unequal-lot 4 4  vehicle 113 16

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> The recording unit hits for "unequal-lot" have been subtracted from the recording unit hits for "equal-lot".

Basic lot sizing	economic production quantity, EPQ	168	41	4.10
models				
	economic manufacture quantity, EMQ	72	12	6.00

#### **Appendix B: Final sample**

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# **Appendix C: List of abbreviations**

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ABC	Artificial bee colony
ACA	Ant colony algorithm
ACO	Ant colony optimization
B&B	Branch & bound
BP	Basic period
BPA	Basic-period-approach
CA	Content analysis
CC	Common cycle
CCA	Common-cycle-approach
CS	Cuckoo search
CLSP	Capacitated lot sizing problem
DLSP	Discrete lotsizing and scheduling problem
DP	Dynamic programming
EA	Evolutionary algorithm
EBP	Extended basic period
EBPA	Extended-basic-period-approach
ELDSP	Economic lot and delivery scheduling problem
ELS	Equal lot size
ELSDP	Economic lot scheduling and delivering problem
ELISP	Economic lot and inspection scheduling problem
ELSSP	Economic lot and supply scheduling problem
ELSP	Economic lot scheduling problem
ELSPR	Economic lot scheduling problem with returns

EMQ	Economic manufacture quantity
EOQ	Economic order quantity
EPQ	Economic production quantity
FC	Fundamental cycle
FS-ELSP	Flow shop-economic lot scheduling problem
GA	Genetic algorithm
GLSP	General lotsizing and scheduling problem
GT-ELSP	Group technology-economic lot scheduling problem
GSS	Golden section search
HGA	Hybrid genetic algorithm
ILP	Integer linear programming
ILS	Iterated local search
LB	Lower bound
LP	Linear programming
MILP	Mixed integer linear programming
MINLP	Mixed integer nonlinear programming
MTO	Make-to-order
MTS	Make-to-stock
PLSP	Proportional lotsizing and scheduling problem
POT	Power-of-two
POW2	Power-of-two
PSO	Partical swarm optimization
SA	Simulated annealing
SELSP	Stochastic economic lot scheduling problem
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SPT	Shortest processing time
TS	Tabu search
TVLS	Time varying lot size
TVLSA	Time-varying-lot-size-approach
UB	Upper bound
WIP	Work in process
ZSR	Zero switch rule