A migrating birds optimization algorithm for machine-part cell formation problems

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Machine-Part Cell Formation Problems consists in organizing a plant as a set of cells, each one of them processing machines containing the same type of parts. In recent years, different meta-heuristic have been used to solve this problem. This paper addresses the problem of Machine-Part Cell Formation by using the Migrating Birds Optimization algorithm. The computational experiments show that in most of the benchmark problems the results obtained from the proposed approach are better than those obtained by other methods which are reported in the literature. © Springer International Publishing Switzerland 2015.

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