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**UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND  
FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER**

**PROGRAM : BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN FOOD  
SCIENCE, NUTRITION AND TECHNOLOGY  
YEAR III**

**COURSE CODE : FSNT 302**

**TITLE OF PAPER : FOOD MACHINERY AND PLANT DESIGN**

**TIME ALLOWED : TWO (2) HOURS**

**INSTRUCTIONS : ANSWER QUESTION ONE (1) AND ANY  
OTHER TWO (2) QUESTIONS. ILLUSTRATE  
YOUR ANSWERS WITH DIAGRAMS  
WHERE NEEDED**

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**QUESTION 1 (COMPULSORY)**

- (a) Explain the main components of a food processing plant. (12 Marks)
- (b) Five unit operations are involved in manufacturing a particular food. Translate the following closeness scenarios in a relationship chart using appropriate codes.

Operation 1 and 2 => especially important

Operation 1 and 3 => Absolutely necessary

Operation 3 and 4 => Important

Operation 1 and 5 => undesirable

Operation 2 and 5 => unimportant

Operation 3 and 5 => ordinary closeness

(12 Marks)

- (c) In the production of juice, fruit is extracted followed by separation of seeds from the juice. The resulting juice is concentrated and packed. The packed juice is subjected to thermal treatment to make the product shelf stable under ambient condition. For this process, identify appropriate equipment and explain why you choose each equipment. (16 Marks)

[TOTAL MARKS = 40]

**QUESTION 2**

- (a) Describe the operating characteristics of shallow flight with high speed and deep flighted with low speed screw extruders. (10 Marks)
- (b) Identify and explain the purpose of the components of a refrigerator. (12 Marks)
- (c) State **two (2)** principles of hygienic design of food processing equipments. (8 Marks)

[TOTAL MARKS = 30]

**QUESTION 3**

- (a) Identify **five (5)** factors that influence the degree of mixing in solids. (10 Marks)
- (b) Describe the phenomena in falling and rising film evaporators. (10 Marks)
- (c) Identify the different classes of fans and give a brief description to any two. (10 Marks)

[TOTAL MARKS = 30]

**QUESTION 4**

- (a) Identify the elements of a fluidized bed dryer and describe the important design considerations for each element. (15 Marks)
- (b) With the help of a labeled sketch describe the production of milk powder using spray drier and a cyclone. (15 Marks)

[TOTAL MARKS = 30]