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(54) Method of determining an elevator system traffic mode

(57) In a elevator system, the traffic mode is determined in accordance with a method comprising the steps of :

setting an up-peak quantity which varies according to the number and frequency of elevator passengers departing from a building lobby ;
setting a down-peak quantity which varies according to the number and frequency of elevator passengers arriving at the building lobby ;
setting an up-off-peak quantity which varies inversely according to the number and frequency of elevator passengers departing from a building lobby ;
setting a down-off-peak quantity which varies inversely according to the number and frequency of elevator passengers arriving at the building lobby ;
setting an off-peak quantity equal to the maximum of said up-off-peak quantity and said down-off-peak quantity ; and
forming a fuzzy logic set indicative of the elevator traffic mode, said set having basis elements corresponding to up, down, and off-peak traffic modes and having respective degrees of membership proportional to said up, down, and off-peak quantities.

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