Example: A grocery store

Model in SimQuick:

Entrances:

1	
Name →	Loading Doc
Time between arrivals →	24
Num. objects per arrival \rightarrow	200
Output	
destination(s) ↓	
Storage	
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Buffers:

1	
Name →	Storage
Capacity →	70
Initial # objects →	0
Output	Output
destination(s) \downarrow	group size ↓
Purchase Requests	1
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Exit:

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Name →	Purchase Req	uests
Time between departures \rightarrow	Exp(0.3)	
Num. objects per departure \rightarrow	1	

Simulation controls:	
Time units per simulation →	360
Number of simulations →	30

Simulation Results		Return to Control Panel						
Element	Element	Statistics Overall Simulation			n Numbers			
types	names		means	1	2	3	4	5
Entrance(s)	Loading Dock	Objects entering process	1043.53	1033	1043	1050	1043	1047
		Objects unable to enter	1956.47	1967	1957	1950	1957	1953
		Service level	0.35	0.34	0.35	0.35	0.35	0.35
Buffer(s)	Storage	Objects leaving	1043.30	1033	1043	1050	1043	1046
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		Minimum inventory	0.00	0	0	0	0	0
		Maximum inventory	70.00	70	70	70	70	70
		Mean inventory	30.61	31.99	31.43	28.89	30.16	30.11
		Mean cycle time	10.56	11.15	10.85	9.90	10.41	10.36
Exit(s)	Purchase Requests	Objects leaving process	1043.30	1033	1043	1050	1043	1046
		Object departures missed	169.13	135	163	216	224	174
		Service level	0.86	0.88	0.86	0.83	0.82	0.86

Another important performance measure for processes:

Service level for exit = Objects leaving process / (Objects leaving process + Objects departures missed)

Questions:

• What's the current service level?

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• How to achieve 99% service level?

<u>Increase storage</u>: we want the smallest storage size to get 99% service level.