

Management System Simulation Report

An Inventory System

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1.Problem Description

1.1 Problem Background

The purpose of this simulation is to help a company which sells a single product to decide how many items it should have in inventory for each of the next n months (n is a fixed input parameter. Here, n=120 months, so this is a terminating simulation.). By controlling the same stream of random numbers, we can compare the average total cost per month of the 9 inventory policies and get the satisfactory solution.

1.2 The Simulation Variables

Table 1.1 Input variables

Input					
Data Type	Name	Description			
int	m_initial_inv_level	The initial inventory level			
int	m_simulation_length	The End-simulation which n=120 months			
int	m_policy_number	The number of the inventory policies chosen			
int	m_replication	The times of replication			
int	m_interval	The interval of each inventory policies			
int	m_num_values_demand	The amount of a demand occurs			
int	m_seed	The seed of the RNG			
int	m_min_inventory	The lower limit of the inventory policies			
int	m_max_inventory	The upper limit of the inventory policies			
float	m_maxlag	The maximum delivery lag			
float	m_minlag	The minimum delivery lag			
float	m_mean_interdemand_time	The mean time between demands'			
float	m_holding_cost	Holding cost per item per month held			
float	m_shortage_cost	Shortage cost per item per month occurs			
float	m_incremental_cost	Incremental cost per item ordered			
float	m_setup_cost	The setup cost of an order			

Table 1.2 Output variables

	Output						
Data Type	Name	Description					
float	Average total cost	The sum of the average ordering cost per					
		month, the average holding cost per month					
		and the average backlog cost per month					
float	Average ordering cost	The average ordering cost per month					
float	Average holding cost	The average holding cost per month					
float	Average shortage cost	The average backlog cost per month					
float	Expected proportion of backlog	The expected proportion of time there is a					
		backlog					
int	Expected number of express orders	the expected number of express orders					
		placed					
float	Proportion of spoiled	the proportion of items taken out of the					
		inventory that are discarded					

2.Model

2.1 The Probability Distribution

- \bigcirc The time between demands are IID exponential random variables with a mean of 0.1 month.

$$D = \begin{cases} 1 & w.p.\frac{1}{6} \\ 2 & w.p.\frac{1}{3} \\ 3 & w.p.\frac{1}{3} \\ 4 & w.p.\frac{1}{6} \end{cases}$$

Where w.p. read "with probability".

③The delivery lag (When an order is placed, the time required for it to arrive) is a random variable that is distributed uniformly between 0.5 and 1 month. If an express order is placed, the deliver lag is uniformly distributed [0.25, 0.5] month.

2.2 The State variables

The state variables for a simulation model of this inventory system are

- the inventory level *I*(*t*),
- the amount of an outstanding order from the company to the supplier,
- and the time of the last event, which is needed to compute the areas under the $I^+(t)$ and $I^-(t)$ functions.

2.3 The Events of the Inventory System

Table 2.1 Four events

Event description	Event type
Arrival of an order to the company from the supplier	1
Demand for the product from a customer	2
End of the simulation after <i>n</i> months	3
Inventory evaluation (and possible ordering) at the beginning of a month	4

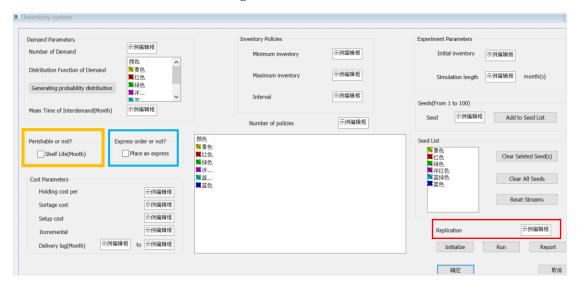
Here we choose to make the end of the simulation event type 3 rather than type 4, since at time 120 both "end-simulation" and "inventory evaluation" events will eventually be scheduled and we would like to execute the former event first at this time.

2.4 The Methods for computing the additional performance measures

2.4.1 Make five replication of each policy

In Dialog 4, add an edit control (Replication, area of the red box), at the same time, add a for loop to the main function void Inventory::0nBnClickedButton2() in inventory.cpp:

Figure 2.1 Four events



2.4.3 Place an express order

In Dialog 4, add an check box ("Place an express", area of the blue box), at the same time, add an if judgment statement to void evaluate (void) in *inventory.cpp*:

```
if (check_express == TRUE)
{
    .....
}
```

2.4.3 Place an express order

In Dialog 4, add an check box ("Shelf Life (Month)", area of the yellow box), at the same time, add an if judgment statement to void order_arrival(void) and void demand(int seed) in *inventory.cpp*:

```
if (check_perishable == TRUE)
{
.....
```

All above, the Newly added variables need to be initialized in void inv_initialize(int seed).

3.Flow Chart

3.1 Flow Chart of the original problem

Figure 3.1 Flow Chart for order-arrival routine

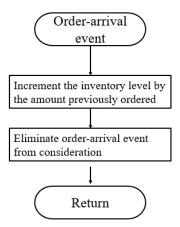


Figure 3.2 Flow Chart for demand routine

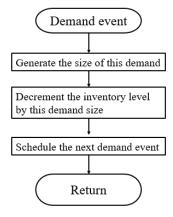


Figure 3.3 Flow Chart for inventory-evaluation routine

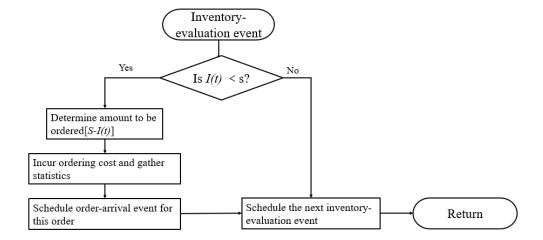
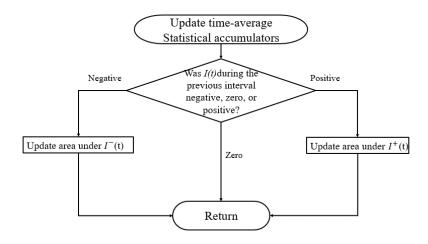


Figure 3.4 Flow Chart for routine to update the continuous-time statistical accumulators



3.2 Flow Chart of the Additional performance measures

Figure 3.5 Flow Chart for inventory-evaluation routine if placing an express order

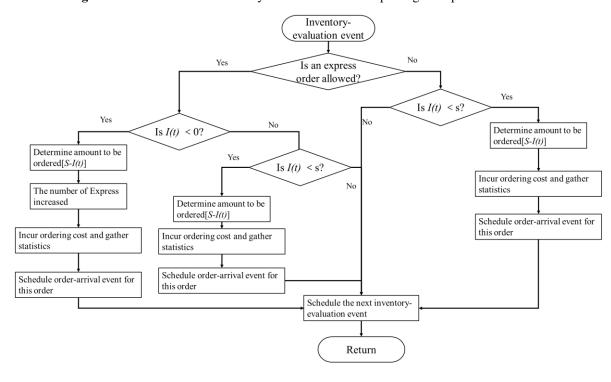


Figure 3.6 Flow Chart for order-arrival routine if the inventory is perishable

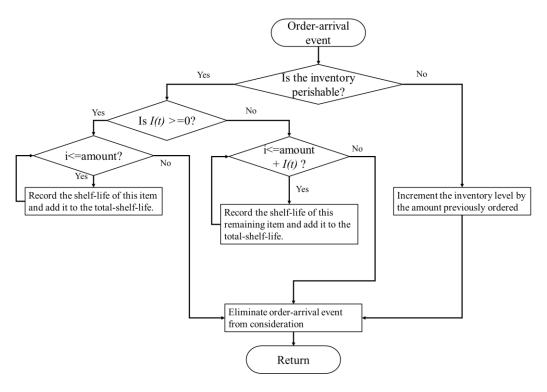
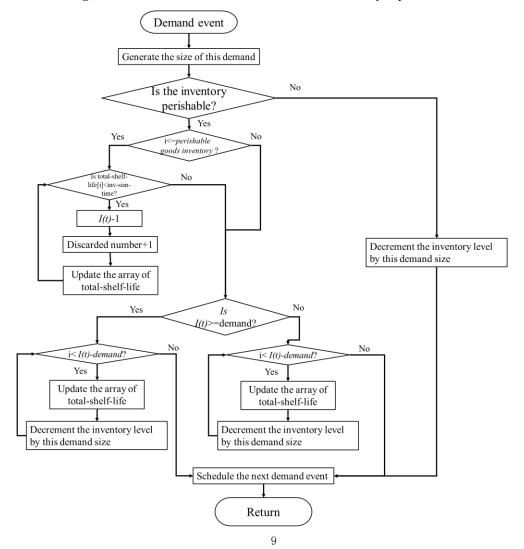


Figure 3.7 Flow Chart for demand routine if the inventory is perishable

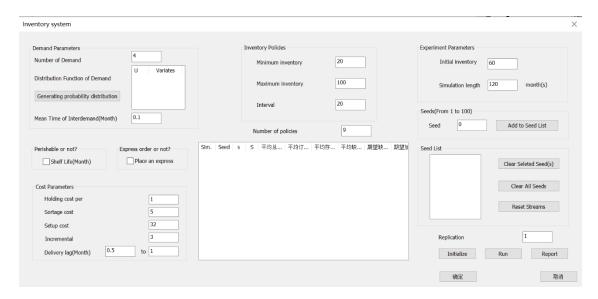


4. Output Analysis

4.1 Output of the original problem

Figure 4.1 shows the initial screen of the Inventory System. Most of the variables are initialized.

Figure 4.1 The initial screen for the inventory system



When the button of "Generating probability distribution" is clicked, the distribution function of demand is shown. Then, add seed=1 into the SeedList, click the button of "Run", the results is shown below:

Inventory system Inventory Policies Experiment Parameters Minimum inventory Initial inventory Variate 0.167 0.500 0.833 1.000 100 Maximum inventory month(s) Generating probability distribution 20 Add to Seed List Number of policies S 平均息... 平均17... 100 143.1992 89.0500 80 150.0248 105.6917 100 132.3419 84.6250 80 125.4606 88.4000 60 126.3695 98.4250 100 125.3624 81.3667 80 123.8637 87.3883 60 122.7427 90.5167 40 126.6070 99.2583 平均缺... 0.2402 0.3126 1.2955 1.1442 1.9534 7.9491 Perishable or not? Express order or not? Shelf Life(Month) Place an express Clear All Seeds Cost Parameters Holding cost per Reset Streams Sortage cost 32 Incremental Delivery lag(Month) Initialize

Figure 4.2 The results of the original problem

Compared with the results from the textbook, our experiment results is similar, which the difference may come from the different RNGs.

Compared with the 9 inventory policies, the satisfactory solution is (20,60), which is result of one test.

4.2 Output of five replication of each policy

4.2.1 Output

Click the button of "Reset Streams", and then Enter 5 into the replication edit box, Run the program and get the results:

Seed S 平均总... 平均订... 平均存... 平均缺... 期望缺... Seed List 60 100 146.3624 89.9583 56.2083 0.1957 0.0038 60 100 138.5685 81.5083 57.0585 0.0017 0.0003 Clear Seleted Seed(s) 100 141.5150 85.8750 55.6400 0.0000 0.0000 60 100 145.0900 91.8833 53.2066 0.0000 0.0000 100 148.1387 0.1776 0.0037 53.4111 Clear All Seeds 80 141.9609 98.1333 43.8252 0.0023 0.0005 60 80 139.7720 93.4250 46.1784 0.1686 0.0076 Reset Streams 60 80 142.6031 97.5167 45.0864 0.0000 0.0000 60 80 139.4158 95.4833 43.8371 0.0953 0.0044 36 60 80 143.1089 96.9917 46.1172 0.0000 0.0000 35 40 100 125.2449 0.1268 0.0071 79.2333 45.8848 Replication 34 40 100 132.6685 87.5083 0.4369 0.0157 44.7233 33 100 126.5122 81.3583 44.6370 0.5169 0.0184 Initialize Report

Figure 4.3 Make five replication of each policy

4.2.2 Analysis

Table 4.1 The results of 5 replication of each policy

库存策略(s,S)	平均总成本	平均订货成本	平均存贮成本	平均缺货成本
60, 100	146.3624	89.9583	55.2083	0.1957
60, 100	138.5685	81.5083	57.0585	0.0017
60, 100	141.5150	85.8750	55.6400	0.0000
60, 100	145.0900	91.8833	53.2055	0.0000
60, 100	148.1387	94.5500	53.4111	0.1775
60,80	141.9609	98.1333	43.8252	0.0023
60, 80	139.7720	93.4250	45.1784	0.1685
60,80	142.6031	97.5167	45.0854	0.0000
60, 80	139.4158	95.4833	43.8371	0.0953
60, 80	143.1089	96.9917	45.1172	0.0000
40, 100	125.2449	79.2333	45.8848	0.1258
40, 100	132.6585	87.5083	44.7233	0.4369
40, 100	126.5122	81.3583	44.6370	0.5169
40, 100	130.3879	83.6417	45.8926	0.8537
40, 100	124.7765	78.6167	45.5176	0.6423
40, 80	127.5626	91.1917	34.4838	1.8872
40, 80	130.4789	95.4500	33.8331	1.1958
40, 80	124.9466	85.7000	36.3928	1.8537

40, 80	122.8846	87.0833	34.0853	1.7160
40, 80	127.9890	91.7083	35.1725	1.1081
40, 60	125.1134	98.0917	24.7010	2.3207
40, 60	124.2856	97.1000	25.7525	1.4231
40, 60	121.4633	93.4557	25.6160	1.3807
40, 60	121.3767	93.3417	25.8571	1.1780
40, 60	125.8853	100.6667	24.8114	1.4072
20, 100	123.1172	78.4083	34.7198	9.9891
20, 100	128.5315	84.1583	37.2588	7.1144
20, 100	124.6411	81.8583	35.5752	7.2076
20, 100	124.6774	80.6667	38. 3110	5.6997
20, 100	131.2344	85.8750	36.1758	8.1836
20, 80	117.0778	82.2250	27.6055	7.2452
20, 80	116.9802	82.0750	25.8501	8.0550
20, 80	111.4298	76.1917	29.3307	5.9075
20, 80	121.7448	85.3833	25.1785	9.18 29
20, 80	119.2427	83.0500	25.9139	9.2788
20, 60	114.7740	85.0917	18.4501	11.2222
20, 60	118.8412	89.7917	16.8877	12.1618
20, 60	123.9769	93.2000	16.6448	14.1321
20, 60	118.4904	88.1000	17.4303	12.9600
20, 60	115.1206	85.6000	17.5250	10.9956
20, 40	124.0061	95.9083	9.8085	18. 2892
20, 40	128.1760	98.4250	9.2379	20.5131
20, 40	126.7038	98.1917	9.0778	19.4344
20, 40	125.6431	99.0917	9.1450	17.4064
20, 40	126.6070	99.2583	9.2475	18.1012

Get the results into a table, and use SPSS to analysis. Let the inventory policies $(20,40) \sim (60,100)$ be $1\sim 9$.

🙀 单因素 ANOVA 检验:事后多重比较 假定等方差 ✓ LSD S-N-K ■ 沃勒-邓肯(W) ■ 邦弗伦尼(B) ■ 图基(I) Ⅰ类/Ⅱ类误差率: 100 斯达克(I) ■ 图基 s-b(K) ■ 邓尼特(E) ■ 雪费(C) 那肯(D) 控制类别(Y): <u>R</u>-E-G-W F 電赫伯格 GT2(H) 因变量列表(E): 对比(N)... R-E-G-W Q ■ 加布里埃尔(G) 🔗 平均总成本 事后比较(出)... 选项(<u>O</u>)... ▼ 塔姆黑尼 T2(M) 邓尼特 T3 ■ 盖姆斯-豪厄尔(A) 那尼特 C(<u>U</u>) 自助抽样(B)... 显著性水平(E): 0.05 因子(E): (继续(C) 取消 帮助 🧳 库存策略 122.8846 确定 粘贴(P) 重置(R) 取消 127.9890

Figure 4.3 The operation steps of SPSS

Then ,get the following Table:

Table 4.2 SPSS analysis

多重比较

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因变量:	平均总成本	
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因变量:	平均总成本		I	İ	I	I
(I) 库						
存策略		平均值差值	标准 错误	显著性	95% 置信区间	
		(I-J)			下限	上限
LSD	1 2	7.9865800*	1.9366966	0.000	4.058777	11.914383
	3	8.9321400*	1.9366966	0.000	5.004337	12.859943
	4	-0.2131200	1.9366966	0.913	-4.140923	3.714683
	5	2.6023400	1.9366966	0.187	-1.325463	6.530143
	6	-0.5451400	1.9366966	0.780	-4.472943	3.382663
	7	-1.6888000	1.9366966	0.389	-5.616603	2.239003
	8	-15.1449400*	1.9366966	0.000	-19.072743	-11.217137
	9	-17.7077200*	1.9366966	0.000	-21.635523	-13.779917
	2 1	-7.9865800*	1.9366966	0.000	-11.914383	-4.058777
	3	0.9455600	1.9366966	0.628	-2.982243	4.873363
	4	-8.1997000*	1.9366966	0.000	-12.127503	-4.271897
	5	-5.3842400*	1.9366966	0.009	-9.312043	-1.456437
	6	-8.5317200*	1.9366966	0.000	-12.459523	-4.603917
	7	-9.6753800*	1.9366966	0.000	-13.603183	-5.747577
	8	-23.1315200*	1.9366966	0.000	-27.059323	-19.203717
	9	-25.6943000*	1.9366966	0.000	-29.622103	-21.766497
	3 1	-8.9321400*	1.9366966	0.000	-12.859943	-5.004337
	2	-0.9455600	1.9366966	0.628	-4.873363	2.982243
	4	-9.1452600*	1.9366966	0.000	-13.073063	-5.217457
	5	-6.3298000*	1.9366966	0.002	-10.257603	-2.401997
	6	-9.4772800*	1.9366966	0.000	-13.405083	-5.549477
	7	-10.6209400*	1.9366966	0.000	-14.548743	-6.693137
	8	-24.0770800*	1.9366966	0.000	-28.004883	-20.149277
	9	-26.6398600*	1.9366966	0.000	-30.567663	-22.712057
	4 1	0.2131200	1.9366966	0.913	-3.714683	4.140923
	2	8.1997000*	1.9366966	0.000	4.271897	12.127503
	3	9.1452600 [*]	1.9366966	0.000	5.217457	13.073063
	5	2.8154600	1.9366966	0.155	-1.112343	6.743263
	6	-0.3320200	1.9366966	0.865	-4.259823	3.595783
	7	-1.4756800	1.9366966	0.451	-5.403483	2.452123
	8	-14.9318200*	1.9366966	0.000	-18.859623	-11.004017
	9	-17.4946000*	1.9366966	0.000	-21.422403	-13.566797
	5 1	-2.6023400	1.9366966	0.187	-6.530143	1.325463
	2	5.3842400 [*]	1.9366966	0.009	1.456437	9.312043
	3	6.3298000*	1.9366966	0.002	2.401997	10.257603

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*. 平均值差值的显著性水平为 0.05。

Form the table 4.2, we can find that making 5 replication will get another satisfactory solution, which is (20,60) at a 95% confidence level(area of the red box). This indicates that the results obtained by only one test are not credible, so it is of great

significance to carry out repeated tests through simulation.

4.3 Output of express orders

4.2.1 Output

Click the button of "Reset Streams", and then select the check of "Place an express", Run the program and get the results:

Figure 4.4 The results of express orders



4.2.2 Analysis

We collect the average total cost of each policy that is expressed with 5 replication. To compare the express orders with the ordinary orders, we can also use SPSS. Let the inventory policies $(20,40) \sim (60,100)$ with express orders be $11\sim19$.

多重比较

因变量:	平均总成本					
(I) 库						
存策略		平均值差值	标准 错误	显著性	95% 置信区间	
		(I-J)			下限	上限
LSD	1					
	11	-3.6192800	2.1026091	0.089	-7.810755	0.572195
	2					
	12	-7.1374600*	2.1026091	0.001	-11.328935	-2.945985
	3					
	13	-7.9823600 [*]	2.1026091	0.000	-12.173835	-3.790885
	4					
	14	-3.5455400	2.1026091	0.096	-7.737015	0.645935
	5					
	15	-1.9466800	2.1026091	0.358	-6.138155	2.244795
	6					
	16	-1.4800000	2.1026091	0.484	-5.671475	2.711475
	7					

17	-0.2978200	2.1026091	0.888	-4.489295	3.893655
8					
18	-2.3796400	2.1026091	0.261	-6.571115	1.811835
9					
18	-0.7936400	2.1026091	0.707	-4.985115	3.397835

*. 平均值差值的显著性水平为 0.05。

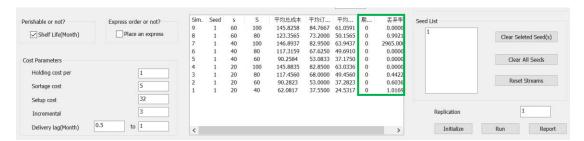
All of the mean difference(ordinary orders - express orders) is below zero, so we can make a conclusion that there is no worth to expressing the order.

4.4 Output of perishable inventory

4.2.1 Output

Click the button of "Reset Streams", and then select the check of "", Run the program and get the results:

Figure 4.5 The results of perishable



We can find that there are some problems with the results. There must be some wrong with the code, but so far we haven't got it right.

We will try our best to make further improvements in the future.

5. Summary

- 5.1 Do everything with a sense of advance, both of us should learn to overcome procrastination.
- 5.2 Communication between team members is very important. We can learn from each other.
- 5.3 Experimental operation is just a skill. Whether the program can run or

whether the result is correct, depends mostly on whether the logic of this problem is fully understood.