SELECT Block

- It is used to find a GPSS entity (queue, facility, storage, ect) that satisfies a specific condition.
- Three types of operations can be used:

Logical:

U – facility in use, NU – facility not in use

SE – storage empty, SNE – storage not empty

SF – storage full SNF – storage not full

Conditional: L, LE, E, NE, GE, G

Maximum and Minimum: MIN, MAX

SELECT Block – Example 1

- SELECT NU 5,1,3,,,NEXT
 - facilities 1 to 3 are tested and the address of the first not in use facility is stored in P5.
 - the transaction is moved to the next sequential block.
 - if all facilities are used, the transaction is moved to NEXT block.

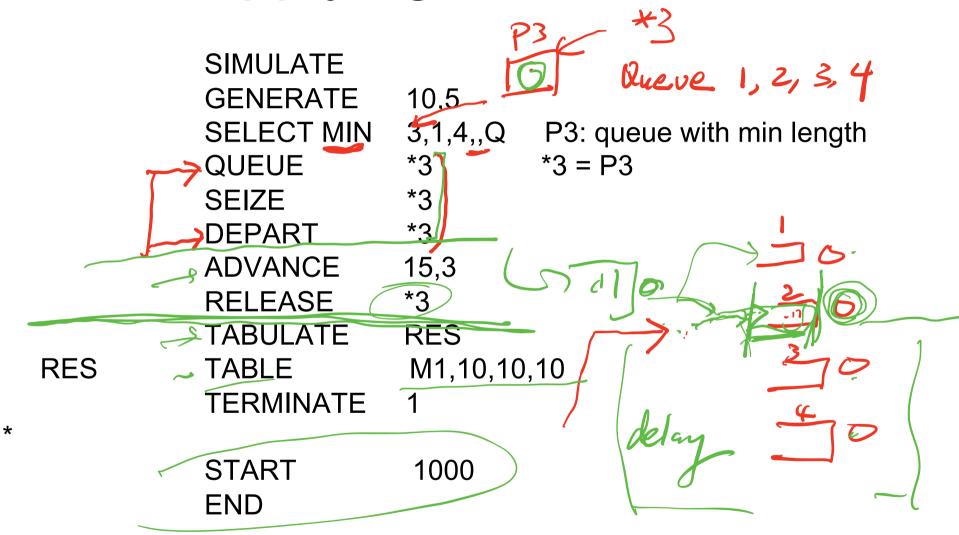
SELECT Block – Example 2

- SELECT E 5,1,3,X1,Q,NEXT
 - length of queues 1 to 3 are tested and the address of the first queue with length equal to X1 is stored in P5.
 - the transaction is moved to the next sequential block.
 - if no queue with length=X1 is found, the transaction is moved to NEXT block.

SELECT Block – Example 3

- SELECT MIN 5,1,3,,Q
 - queues 1 to 3 are examined and the address of the queue with minimum length is stored in P5.

Applying SELECT



More Control Statements

- START 1000,,100
 - data statistics to be printed each time the termination count is reduced by 100.
- RESET
 - initialize all internal variables for data collection.
- CLEAR
 - initializes the status of queues, facilities, storages, etc. as well as variables for data collection.

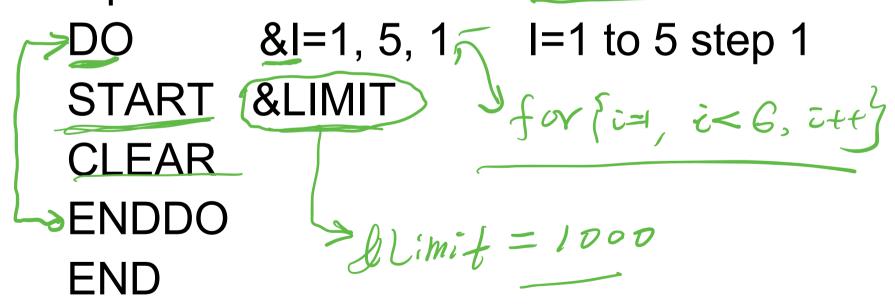
Input/Output

- GETLIST/PUTPIC
 - read directly from external sources (terminal)
 - PUTPIC is used to write customized report and/or support dialog with the interactive user.
- BGETLIST/BPUTPIC
 - read directly from external sources (files)
 - BPUTPIC is used to write customized report to a file.
- Example:
 - BPUTPIC FILE=OUT, LINES=2, (P2,X1)
 Transaction Parameter 2 = *** **
 Savevalue 1 = *** **
 - print out variables from within GPSS into file OUT.

DO/ENDDO

Allows a loop to be executed (rerun the simulation)

Example:



MM1 Simulation – 5 times

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SIMULATE
         &I
INTEGER
        10,5 -> RVEXPO(1, 10)
GENERATE
        LINE
QUEUE
SEIZE
        CHECHOUT
RELEASE CHECKOUT
ÐEPART
        LINE
TERMINATE
        &I=1, 5, 1
DO
                     I=1 to 5 step 1
        &LIMIT
  START
  CLEAR
ENDDO
END
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Internal Structure of GPSS

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Two Chains:

- Future Event Chain (FEC)
 - contains transactions whose scheduled departure time from a block is greater than the current clock.
 - ordered in ascending values of event time.
 - Usually as a result of GENERATE and ADVANCE.
- Current Event Chain (CEC)
 - contains transactions that are scheduled to move at the current time and as well, transactions that are blocked.