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# AGENDA

- Bio
- Overview
- Project Methods
- Results
- Final Thoughts



# **Brock Baker**











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Fun Fact: Graduated from the largest high school in the country

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## **Overview**



## **Project Overview**

#### **Problem**

Traffic congestion at CNG pumps during fueling time

#### **Original Project Goal**

Provide analysis to support the addition of a 6<sup>th</sup>
 CNG fuel pump at Lone Star fueling bay

### **Project Methods**

- Data collection
- Simulation (Python)
- Data consolidation
- Results and justification





# **Data Collection**



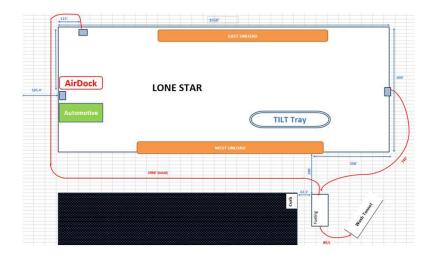
## **Data**

#### **Data Needed**

- Measurements of Lone Star
- Basic time values
- Package car fuel data:
  - Avg miles driven per day
  - Number of trips per week
  - Number of cars fueled per day
  - o Range of package car
  - Fuel types for each car

#### **Data Collection Methods**

- iGate
- PKG
- Measuring Wheel
- DIR



## **Project Adjustment**

#### **Project Financials**

- Cost of pump modification
- Amount saved per hour saved

#### **Adjusted Goal**

- Shift from addition of 6<sup>th</sup> pump to modification of current pumps' hoses and nozzles
- Currently have 3 of 5 CNG pumps available for package car refueling
- 3 large nozzles, 3 small nozzles
- Goal is to have 6 small nozzles



# **CNG Fuel Pumps**



Only current pump with two hoses



Large nozzle as seen currently on three pumps (3 total larges)



Small nozzle as seen currently on two pumps (3 total smalls)



# **Simulation**



## **Simulation Overview**



#### **Function**

- Use Python to run simulations for 3, 4, 5 and 6 nozzle scenarios
- Utilize relevant packages for queuing functions and plotting data

#### **Simulation Steps**

- Initialize functions for queue
- Data collected used to establish fixed variables in script
- Script was built to run for 75000 fueling simulations
- Returns total fueling time for all vehicles

```
24 # Simulation of the refueling queue
25 def simulate_queue(num_pumps, num_vehicles, time_after, weights):
       # Adjust refuel time based on the number of pumps
       if num pumps == 3:
           vehicles = [Vehicle(1.019 + (.409 * random.uniform(18, 30))) for _ in range(num_vehicles)]
       elif num pumps == 4:
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           vehicles = [Vehicle(1.019 + (.459 * random.uniform(18, 30))) for _ in range(num_vehicles)]
       elif num pumps == 5:
           vehicles = [Vehicle(1.019 + (.489 * random.uniform(18, 30))) for _ in range(num_vehicles)]
           vehicles = [Vehicle(1.019 + (.579 * random.uniform(18, 30))) for _ in range(num_vehicles)]
       pumps = [Pump() for _ in range(num_pumps)]
       current time = 0
       vehicle index = 0
       remaining_times = [0] * num_pumps
       while vehicle_index < num_vehicles:</pre>
           min remaining time = min(remaining times)
           current_time += min_remaining time
           for i in range(num_pumps):
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               remaining_times[i] -= min_remaining_time
               if remaining_times[i] == 0 and vehicle_index < num_vehicles:</pre>
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                   pump = pumps[i]
                   vehicle = vehicles[vehicle_index]
                   pump.start refueling(vehicle, current time)
                   remaining times[i] = vehicle.refuel time
```



# Results and Analysis



## Results

#### **Raw Data**

- Average total time to refuel all vehicles (3 pumps): 283.95 minutes or 4.73 hours
- Average total time to refuel all vehicles (4 pumps): 234.79 minutes or 3.91 hours
- Average total time to refuel all vehicles (5 pumps): 198.11 minutes or 3.30 hours
- Average total time to refuel all vehicles (6 pumps): 179.97 minutes or 3.00 hours
- Average time saved with 4 pumps: 49.17 minutes or 0.82 hours
- Average time saved with 5 pumps: 85.85 minutes or 1.43 hours
- Average time saved with 6 pumps: 103.99 minutes or 1.73 hours
- Maximum break-even time (6 pumps): 7.17 days

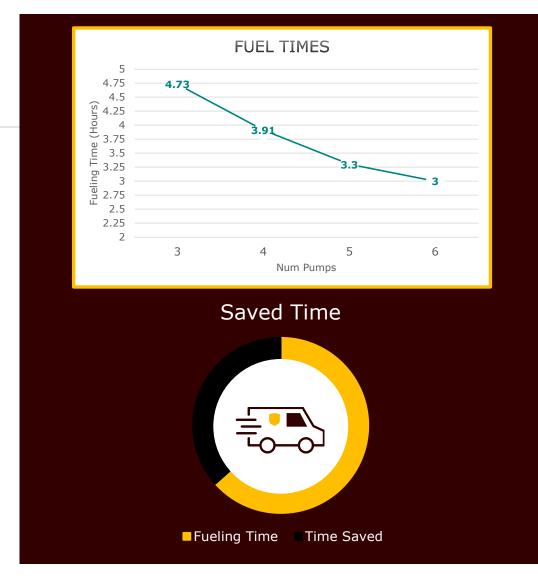
## **Analysis**

#### **Results Breakdown**

- 4.73 working hours while using 3 small nozzles (current)
- 3.00 working hours while using 6 small nozzles (proposed modification)
- 1.73 working hours saved while using 6 small nozzles
- 36.6% decrease in fueling time per day using 6 small nozzles

#### **Verdict**

 Fuel pump modification to all pumps is a viable option for UPS to consider pursuing



# Savings!

Year	<b>Annual Savings</b>
2024	\$ 91,287.29
2025	\$ 94,025.91
2026	\$ 96,846.69
2027	\$ 99,752.09
2028	\$ 102,744.65

### **Savings Factors**

- Wages
- Inflation
- Time saved = Money saved



# **Final Thoughts**



## **Other Tasks**

#### **Projects**

- Bonus audits
- Work measurements
- Small sort operations
- Mesquite automation

#### **Opportunities**

- Shadowed various positions
- Attended preloads
- Rode along with driver
- Worked in 5 different hub buildings

Total Savings \$ 100,020.99



## **Takeaways**

#### **Accomplished Goals**

- Translate skills from classroom to professional practice
- Be slow to speak and quick to listen to all those who have been here before me
- Grow technically through real conflicts and solutions
- Don't be afraid to ask ANY question

#### **Final thoughts**

- Best Sponsor (Elijah Williams) and team
- · Impressed with depth of work for UPS
- Prepared for the future



