

Coffee Shop Simulation

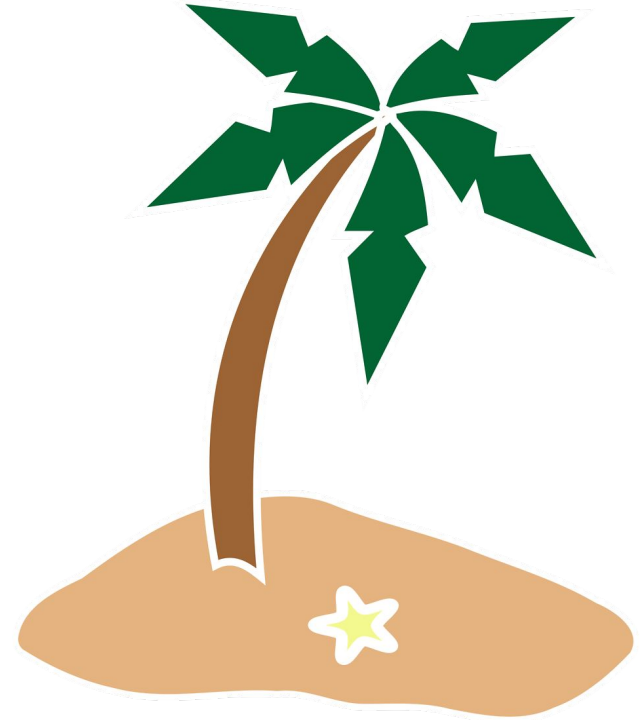
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About the Coffee Shop

- Objective: Maximize profits
- Concerns:
 - Labor Cost - no tips, \$18/hr
 - Balking - lost revenue
 - Reneging - lost revenue
 - Tourism-heavy location
 - Working professionals
 - Vacationer and retirees





Customer Profiles

70% - Not in rush, low reneging risk

Retirees, Vacationers



30% - In a rush, HIGH reneging risk

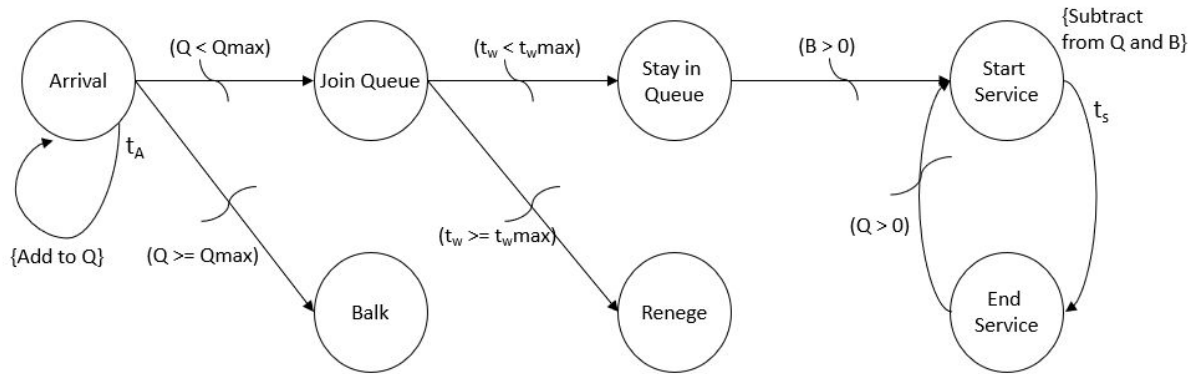
Working professionals





Event Graph

Coffee Shop Simulation with Balking and Reneging



Q = number of customers in queue

B = number of baristas available

t_A = time until next customer arrives

t_s = time to serve customer

t_w = time in line

Use random number generators to determine t_A and t_s for each event

Balking parameter Q_{max} shows the longest line a customer will join

$t_{w,max}$ shows the longest a customer would wait in line before leaving



Customer Behaviors



Morning Shift

- Arrival: 1 min
- Drink + Food
- Balking: > 6 customers
- Reneging: 30% < 6 min

Afternoon Shift

- Arrival: 5 min
- Drink Only
- Balking: > 10 customers
- Reneging: 30% < 10 min



Evening Shift

- Arrival: 7 min
- Drink Only
- Balking: > 10 customers
- Reneging: 30% < 10 min





Code Review

Balking Condition

#create function for random arrivals and balking condition

```
def arrival(env, caseid, caseid_queue, event_log):
```

```
    caseid = 0
```

```
    while True:
```

```
        inter_arrival_time = round(60*np.random.exponential(scale = mean_inter_arrival_time))
```

```
        print("Next arrival time: ", env.now + inter_arrival_time)
```

```
        yield env.timeout(inter_arrival_time)
```

```
        caseid += 1
```

```
        time = env.now
```

```
        activity = 'arrival'
```

```
        env.process(event_log_append(env, caseid, time, activity, event_log))
```

```
        yield env.timeout(0)
```

#define balking condition

```
if caseid_queue.qsize() < balk_queue_length:
```

```
    caseid_queue.put(caseid)
```

```
    print("Customer joins queue --> caseid =",caseid,', time = ',env.now,', queue_length =',caseid_queue.qsize())
```

```
    time = env.now
```

```
    activity = 'join_queue'
```

```
    env.process(event_log_append(env, caseid, time, activity, event_log))
```

```
    env.process(service_process(env, caseid_queue, event_log))
```

```
else:
```

```
    print("Customer balks --> caseid =",caseid,', time = ',env.now,', queue_length =',caseid_queue.qsize())
```

```
    env.process(event_log_append(env, caseid, env.now, 'balk', event_log))
```



Code Review

Reneging Condition & Barista Service Adjustment

#create function for flow of service and renege condition and number of baristas

```
def service_process(env, caseid_queue, event_log):  
    with baristas_on_shift.request() as req:  
        yield req  
        if not caseid_queue.empty():  
            queue_length_on_entering_service = caseid_queue.qsize()  
            caseid = caseid_queue.get()  
            wait_time = env.now - queue_length_on_entering_service * (mean_service_time * 60)  
            if wait_time > (max_wait_time * 60) and random.random() <= 0.3: #define reneging condition  
                print("Customer", caseid, 'left the queue after waiting for', wait_time, 'minutes')  
                env.process(event_log_append(env, caseid, env.now, 'renege', event_log))  
            else:  
                adjusted_mean_service_time = mean_service_time / baristas #adjusts service time based on baristas working  
                adjusted_max_service_time = max_service_time / baristas #adjusts service time based on baristas working  
                print("Begin_service --> caseid =", caseid, ', time = ', env.now, ', queue_length = ', queue_length_on_entering_service)  
                env.process(event_log_append(env, caseid, env.now, 'begin_service', event_log))  
                service_time = round(60 * random_service_time(min_service_time, mean_service_time, max_service_time))  
                yield env.timeout(service_time)  
                queue_length_on_leaving_service = caseid_queue.qsize()  
                print("End_service --> caseid =", caseid, ', time = ', env.now, ', queue_length = ', queue_length_on_leaving_service)  
                env.process(event_log_append(env, caseid, env.now, 'end_service', event_log))
```



Applications to Management

Morning Shift			
Assumptions			
Average Revenue per Customer (drink + food)	10	10	10
Baristas Hourly Wage	18	18	18
Variables			
# of Baristas Working	1	2	3
Mean Interval Arrival Time (min)	1	1	1
Min Service Time (min)	1	1	1
Mean Service Time (min)	4	4	4
Max Service Time (min)	8	8	8
Balking Queue Length	6	6	6
Max Wait Time (min)	6	6	6
Simulation Outputs			
# of Customers Arrived	232	232	216
# of Customers Served	58	115	155
Min Wait Time (min)	0	0.02	0
Mean Wait Time (min)	15.46	4.96	2.62
Max Wait Time (min)	29.73	13.45	9.88
# of Customer Balking	146	56	15
# of Customer Left the Queue	21	54	44
Estimated Gross Revenue			
	580	1150	1550
Estimated Cost			
	72	144	216
Estimated Income			
	508	1006	1334
Estimated Lost Revenue			
	1670	1100	590

Observations & Recommendation:

- To maximize profit, 3 baristas is the optimal hiring level given the high customer traffic flow in the morning
- With 3 baristas, there is an estimated revenue loss of \$590 due to customers that did not wish to wait in line or left the queue after waiting for too long. That accounts for almost 40% of the gross revenue
- In addition to hiring 3 baristas, we recommend implementing measures such as offering pre-order option to accommodate time-sensitive customers and minimize lost business



Applications to Management

Afternoon Shift			
Assumptions			
Average Revenue per Customer (drink)	5	5	5
Baristas Hourly Wage	18	18	18
Variables			
# of Baristas Working	1	2	3
Mean Interval Arrival Time (min)	5	5	5
Min Service Time (min)	1	1	1
Mean Service Time (min)	2	2	2
Max Service Time (min)	5	5	5
Balking Queue Length	10	10	10
Max Wait Time (min)	10	10	10
Simulation Outputs			
# of Customers Arrived	38	45	41
# of Customers Served	23	31	28
Min Wait Time	0	0	0
Mean Wait Time	6.27	0.03	0
Max Wait Time	39.67	0.9	0
# of Customer Balking	0	0	0
# of Customer Left the Queue	13	14	13
Financial Summary			
Estimated Gross Revenue	115	155	140
Estimated Cost	72	144	216
Estimated Income	43	11	-76
Estimated Lost Revenue	65	70	65

Observations & Recommendation:

- To maximize profit, 1 baristas is the optimal hiring level given the medium customer traffic flow in the afternoon
- With 1 baristas working, the average wait time is 6.27 minutes while the maximum wait time is almost 40 minutes (39.67), which seems quite long
- Validate population profile in the neighborhood to confirm if majority of the potential customers are not time sensitive in the afternoon
- In addition to hiring 1 baristas, the coffee shop can keep customers updated on their orders while they wait. Or they can diversify product offerings and sell products those customers might be interested in shopping while they wait



Applications to Management

Evening Shift			
Assumptions			
Average Revenue per Customer (drink)	5	5	5
Baristas Hourly Wage	18	18	18
Variables			
# of Baristas Working	1	2	3
Mean Interval Arrival Time (min)	7	7	7
Min Service Time (min)	1	1	1
Mean Service Time (min)	2	2	2
Max Service Time (min)	5	5	5
Balking Queue Length	10	10	10
Max Wait Time (min)	10	10	10
Simulation Outputs			
# of Customers Arrived	26	32	27
# of Customers Served	17	24	19
Min Wait Time	0	0	0
Mean Wait Time	0.25	0	0
Max Wait Time	3.97	0	0
# of Customer Balking	0	0	0
# of Customer Left the Queue	9	8	7
Estimated Gross Revenue	85	120	95
Estimated Cost	72	144	216
Estimated Income	13	-24	-121
Estimated Lost Revenue	45	40	35

Observations & Recommendation:

- To maximize profit, 1 baristas is the optimal hiring level given the low customer traffic flow in the evening
- With 1 baristas working, the net profit is only \$13 per day
- Per our sensitivity analysis, the coffee shop will experience net loss if the average customer arrival interval time increases to 11 minutes
- More research is needed to validate the customer traffic flow during this shift before committing the resources



Thank you

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