

Lab 9

Objectives

The objective of this lab is to understand and implement discrete event simulation using GPSS (General Purpose Simulation System) by modeling real-world systems such as service and inspection processes. Through the barber shop simulation, the goal is to analyze customer flow and service time over a defined period using arrival and service time distributions. The machine shop problems aim to simulate part production and inspection, incorporating randomness in processing and rejection, while demonstrating the use of both storage and facility constructs in GPSS. These exercises help in understanding queueing, resource allocation, and probabilistic decision-making in simulation.

Q.1. Write a GPSS program to simulate a barber shop for a day (10 am to 5 pm) where a customer enters the shop every 10 ± 3 minutes and a barber takes 4 ± 2 for a haircut.

Source code:

GENERATE 600,180

SEIZE BARBER

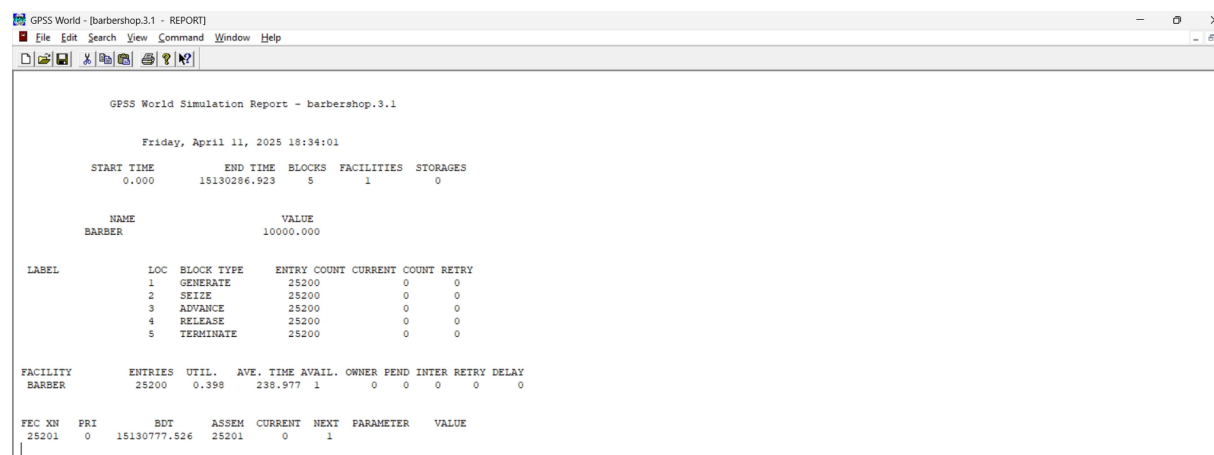
ADVANCE 240,120

RELEASE BARBER

TERMINATE 1

START 25200

Output:



GPSS World Simulation Report - barbershop.3.1

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START TIME	END TIME	BLOCKS	FACILITIES	STORAGES
0.000	15130286.923	5	1	0

NAME	VALUE
BARBER	10000.000

LABEL	LOC	BLOCK TYPE	ENTRY COUNT	CURRENT COUNT	RETRY
1	GENERATE	25200	0	0	
2	SEIZE	25200	0	0	
3	ADVANCE	25200	0	0	
4	RELEASE	25200	0	0	
5	TERMINATE	25200	0	0	

FACILITY	ENTRIES	UTIL.	AVE. TIME AVAIL.	OWNER	PEND	INTER	RETRY	DELAY
BARBER	25200	0.398	238.977	1	0	0	0	0

FEC XM	FRI	BDT	ASSEM	CURRENT	NEXT	PARAMETER	VALUE
25201	0	15130777.526	25201	0	1		

Q.2. A machine tool in a manufacturing shop is turning out parts at the rate of one every 5 minutes. As they are finished, the parts go to an inspector who takes 4 ± 3 minutes to examine each one and rejects 10% of the parts. Write GPSS program for 1000 parts.

Source Code:

SIMULATE

GENERATE 300

ADVANCE 240,180

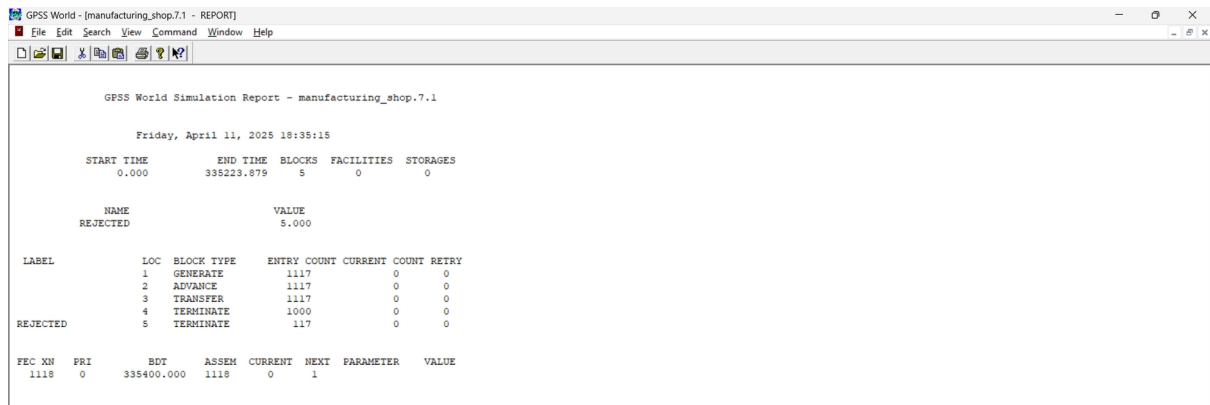
TRANSFER .1, REJECTED

TERMINATE 1

REJECTED TERMINATE 0

START 1000

Output:



GPSS World Simulation Report - manufacturing_shop.7.1

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START TIME	END TIME	BLOCKS	FACILITIES	STORAGES
0.000	395223.879	5	0	0

NAME	VALUE
REJECTED	5.000

LABEL	LOC	BLOCK TYPE	ENTRY COUNT	CURRENT COUNT	RETRY
	1	GENERATE	1117	0	0
	2	ADVANCE	1117	0	0
	3	TRANSFER	1117	0	0
	4	TERMINATE	1000	0	0
REJECTED	5	TERMINATE	117	0	0

FEC XN	PRI	BDT	ASSEM	CURRENT	NEXT	PARAMETER	VALUE
1118	0	335400.000	1118	0	1		

Q.3. Implement Q. No. 2 using facility.

Source code:

GENERATE 5,,,1000

SEIZE INSPECTOR

ADVANCE 4,3

RELEASE INSPECTOR

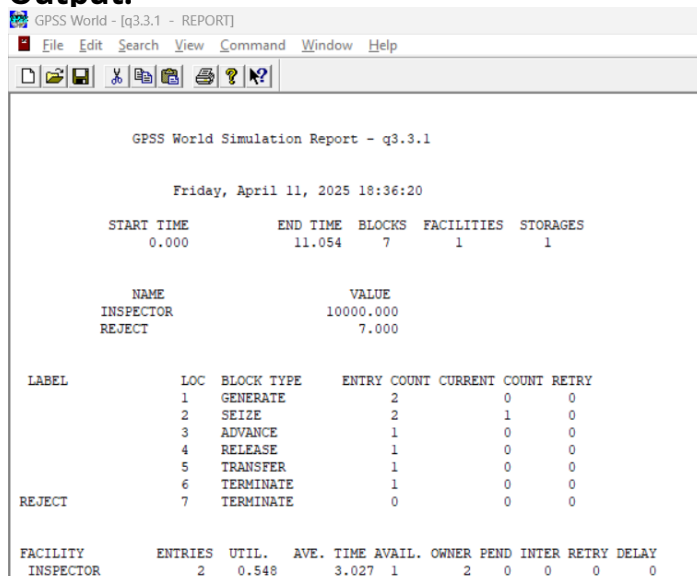
TRANSFER .1, REJECT

TERMINATE 1

REJECT TERMINATE 1

INSPECTOR STORAGE 1

Output:



GPSS World Simulation Report - q3.3.1

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START TIME	END TIME	BLOCKS	FACILITIES	STORAGES
0.000	11.054	7	1	1

NAME	VALUE
INSPECTOR	10000.000
REJECT	7.000

LABEL	LOC	BLOCK TYPE	ENTRY COUNT	CURRENT COUNT	RETRY
	1	GENERATE	2	0	0
	2	SEIZE	2	1	0
	3	ADVANCE	1	0	0
	4	RELEASE	1	0	0
	5	TRANSFER	1	0	0
	6	TERMINATE	1	0	0
REJECT	7	TERMINATE	0	0	0

FACILITY	ENTRIES	UTIL.	AVE. TIME AVAIL.	OWNER	PEND	INTER	RETRY	DELAY
INSPECTOR	2	0.548	3.027	1	2	0	0	0

Q.4. A machine tool in a manufacturing shop is turning out parts at the rate of every 5 minutes. When they are finished, the parts are sent to an inspector, who takes 4 ± 3 minutes to examine each one and rejects 15% of the parts. Write a GPSS program to simulate using the concept of facility.

Source code:

GENERATE 5,,,1000

SEIZE INSPECTOR

ADVANCE 4,3

RELEASE INSPECTOR

TRANSFER .15, REJECT

TERMINATE 1

REJECT TERMINATE 1

INSPECTOR STORAGE 1

Output:

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GPSS World Simulation Report - q4.3.1

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START TIME	END TIME	BLOCKS	FACILITIES	STORAGES
0.000	11.054	7	1	1

NAME	VALUE
INSPECTOR	10000.000
REJECT	7.000

LABEL	LOC	BLOCK TYPE	ENTRY	COUNT	CURRENT	COUNT	RETRY
	1	GENERATE	2		0		0
	2	SEIZE	2		1		0
	3	ADVANCE	1		0		0
	4	RELEASE	1		0		0
	5	TRANSFER	1		0		0
	6	TERMINATE	1		0		0
REJECT	7	TERMINATE	0		0		0

FACILITY	ENTRIES	UTIL.	AVE.	TIME	AVAIL.	OWNER	PEND	INTER	RETRY	DELAY
INSPECTOR	2	0.548	3.027	1		2	0	0	0	0

STORAGE	CAP.	REM.	MIN.	MAX.	ENTRIES	AVL.	AVE.C.	UTIL.	RETRY	DELAY
INSPECTOR	1	1	0	0	0	1	0.000	0.000	0	0

CEC XN	PRI	M1	ASSEM	CURRENT	NEXT	PARAMETER	VALUE
2	0	10.000	2	2	3		

FEC XN	PRI	BDT	ASSEM	CURRENT	NEXT	PARAMETER	VALUE
3	0	15.000	3	0	1		

Conclusion:

In conclusion, the GPSS simulations provided valuable insights into modeling real-world service and manufacturing systems through discrete event simulation. By simulating scenarios like barber shop operations and manufacturing inspections, we were able to observe the impact of arrival rates, service times, resource constraints, and rejection probabilities on system performance. The use of facilities and storage elements in GPSS allowed us to represent and manage limited resources effectively. Overall, these simulations enhanced our understanding of queueing behavior, system efficiency, and the importance of accurate modeling in decision-making and process optimization.