

University Housing Dining Services:

Logistics System Analysis

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Outline

- Introduction
- Problem Description
- Analysis
- Methodology I: Deterministic Model
- Methodology II: Stochastic Model
- Results & Discussion
- Conclusion



Background

- University Housing Dining Services
 - ▶ Cater service for 6,000 events/yr
 - ▶ Dining service for 13,000 students/day
 - ▶ Produce approx. 24,000 meals/day

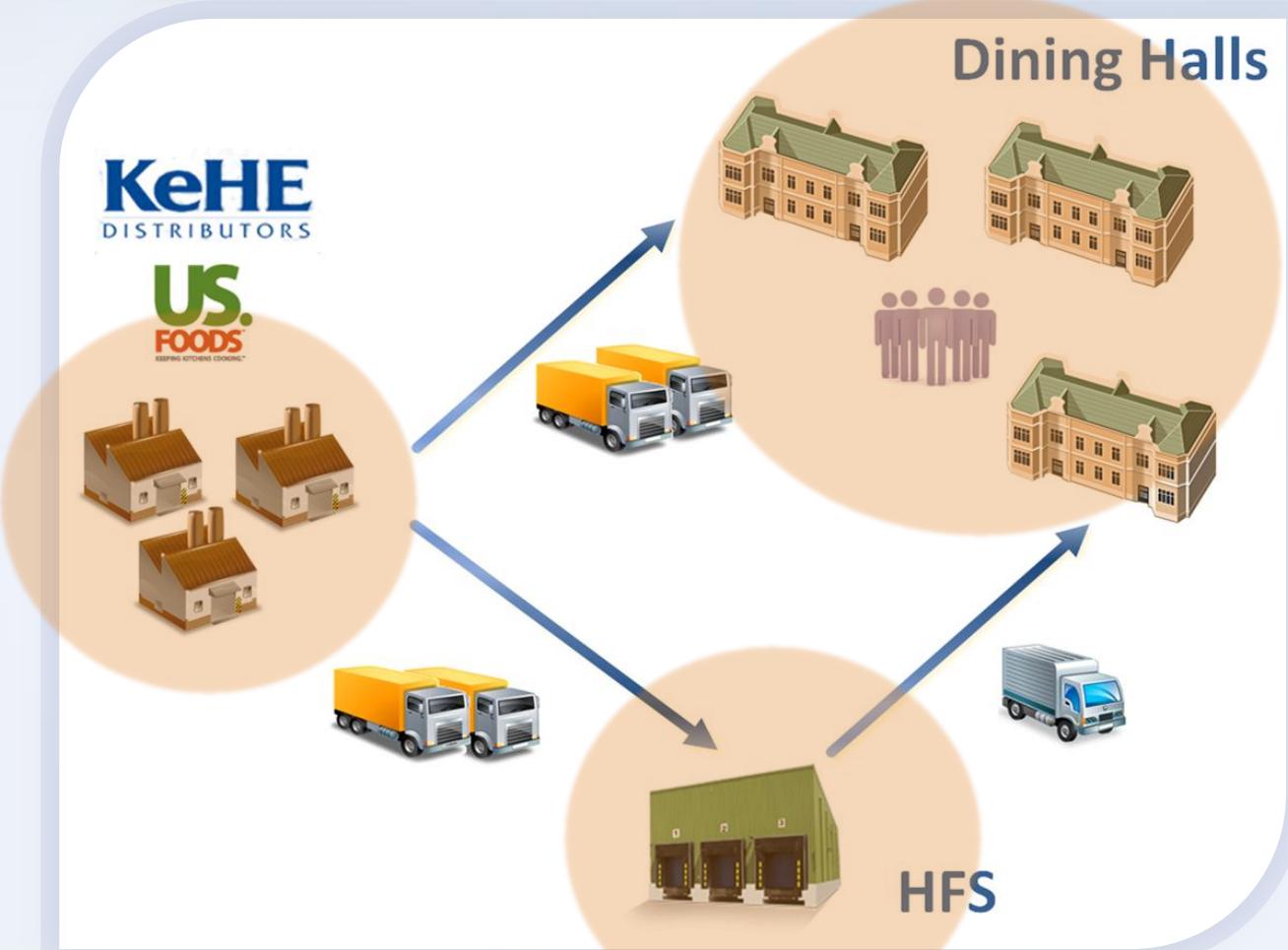


- Housing Food Store (HFS)
 - ▶ Provide a complete logistics food supply mgmt.
(Supports all phases of food production)
 - Coordinating orders
 - Overseeing the operation of the dining halls
 - Managing and distributing certain items to all dining halls.





Supply Chain Overview



< Supply Chain Diagram >

Introduction -> Supply Chain Overview



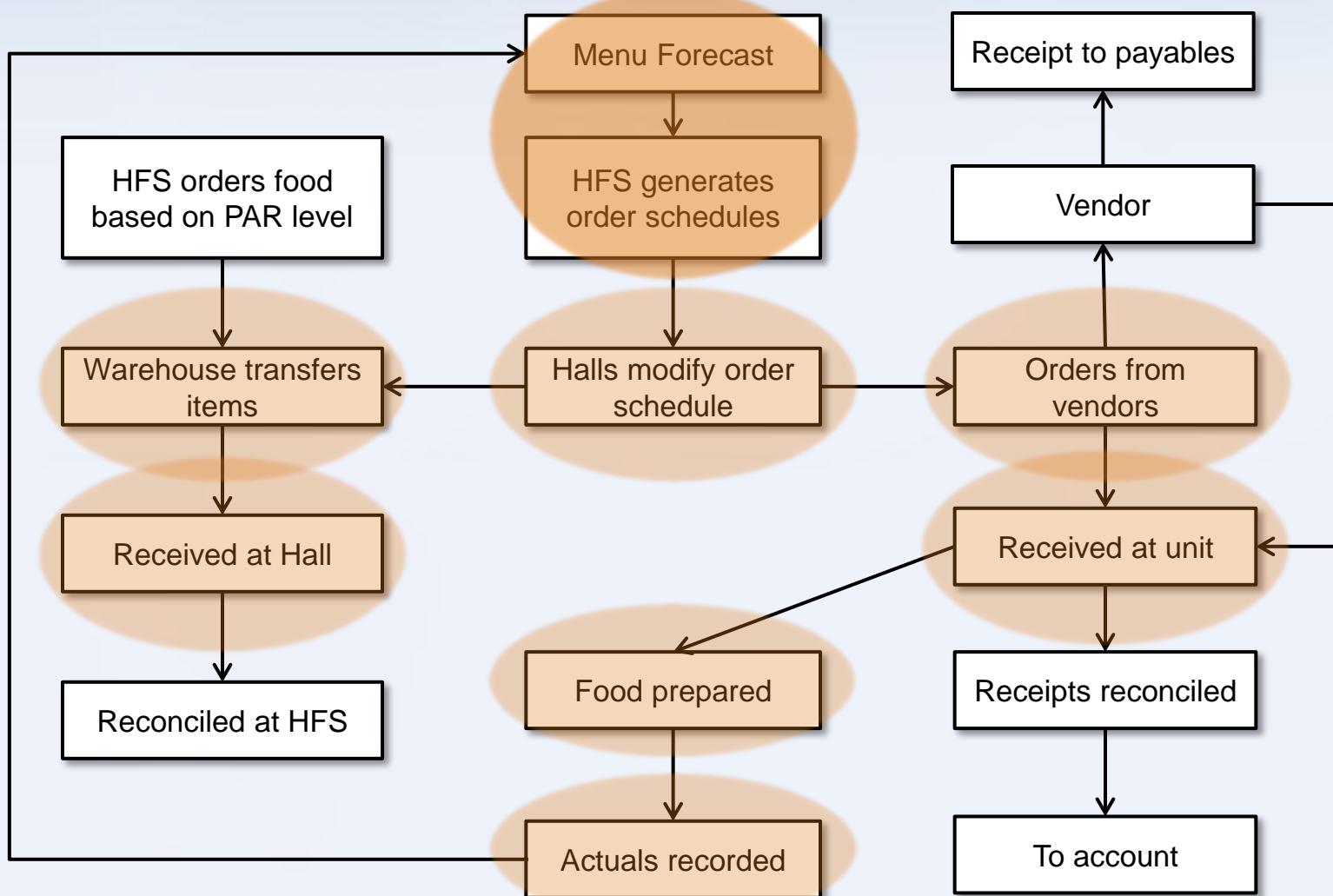
< Local Route Map of Distribution from HFS>



Logistics Challenges

- Large, complex inventory problem
- HDS deals with over 20,000 total items annually.
- Approx. 1,650 items by each dining hall
 - ▶ independent operation
- 387 items by HFS warehouse
 - ▶ Items have a large shipment size requirement
 - ▶ Each item is re-distributed to each dining hall everyday

Introduction -> Logistics Challenges



< Schematic diagram of HFS's warehouse operation system >



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Project Scope

- Focusing on the operation of the HFS
- HFS often has problems with the perishability and ordering of special vegan items.
- Vegan items are supplied from a *single* supplier.
- The potential of improvement and applicability to logistics.

→ *Special vegan items inventory mgmt. & logistics*



Problem Description -> Project Scope

- “Special vegan items” are categorized as

- 1) Vegetarian Citrus Chicken (VCC)
- 2) Vegetarian Fish Filet (VFF)
- 3) Vegan Chicken Teriyaki (VCT)
- 4) Vegan Beef Teriyaki (VBT)
- 5) Vegan Sliced Baked Ham (VSBH)



< Special vegan items >



- Main Problems
 - ▶ HFS **orders a large quantity** of vegan raw ingredients especially **at the beginning of each semester**.
 - ▶ Large shipment size leads to extremely **high inventory cost**.
 - ▶ Vegan items
 - **remain** in the refrigerators in the HFS warehouse **for an extensive period of time**.
 - **take a large storage area and high electricity cost** for maintaining low temperature to prevent food from being perished.
 - ▶ The long inventory time **reduces the freshness and quality of the food**, resulting in a inferior customer experience.



Motivation

- Why inventory costs?
 - ▶ one of the most expensive assets of many companies representing as much as 50% of total invested capital (Heizer 2005)
 - ▶ In 2009, the U.S. business logistics system cost was equivalent to 7.7% of the GDP (over \$1.85 trillion)
- Why perishability?
 - ▶ U.S. food industry annually discards \$35 billion worth of spoiled goods (Forbes, 2006)
 - ▶ up to 20% of food is discarded due to spoilage (Black 2003)



Project Objective

- The main goal of the project was
 - ▶ to evaluate, analyze and improve the current **inventory management system** of the University of Illinois Housing Food Stores.
- More specifically, the objective was
 - ▶ to determine **joint replenishment policies** for the special vegan items **to minimize the total inventory cost** consisting of ordering and holding costs.



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Data Collection

- Relevant data gathered
 - ▶ demand (actual quantities consumed)
 - ▶ miscellaneous costs related to the value of items, ordering and inventory.
- The transaction report was obtained for the five special vegan items
- Covering period: 72 weeks
 - ▶ from December 4th, 2010 to April 14th, 2012.



- Excluded periods
 - ▶ The data for the 38-week period from December 4th, 2010 to August 20th, 2011, contained only five scattered transaction records.
 - ▶ the data for Spring 2012 semester was excluded since it was incomplete.
- Studied periods:
 - ▶ Only the data from the 17-week period (Fall 2011 semester) from August 27, 2011 to December 10th, 2011 was considered.



Analysis -> Data Collection

- Determining the demand for each vegan item
 - All units of each item was converted to the same unit in packs (1 pack = 6.62 lbs = 1/4 case).
 - the quantities of items were grouped by week.

Housing Food Stores- Warehouse		Inventory Transactions Report				
Item Name: Vegetarian Fish Filet		Report Period: 3/15/2010 - 3/22/2012				
Primary Storage Area: Meats and Cheeses Bin:		Stock Unit: 12.42#/cs				
Date: 10/27/2011		Last Physical Count On: 9/28/2011		Starting On Hand: 37		
Qty	Cost	Unit Of Measure	PO #/Requisition #	Invoice #/Reason	Vendor/Unit	Qty On Hand
Transfer Out						
1	154.45	12.42#/cs	1403	Production Request	Lincoln-allen	36
Date: 10/28/2011		Last Physical Count On: 9/28/2011		Starting On Hand: 36		
Qty	Cost	Unit Of Measure	PO #/Requisition #	Invoice #/Reason	Vendor/Unit	Qty On Hand
Transfer Out						
1	154.45	12.42#/cs	1418	Production Request	Ikenberry	35
Date: 11/11/2011		Last Physical Count On: 10/28/2011		Starting On Hand: 35		
Qty	Cost	Unit Of Measure	PO #/Requisition #	Invoice #/Reason	Vendor/Unit	Qty On Hand
Transfer Out						
1	154.45	12.42#/cs	1632	Production Request	Ikenberry	34



Analysis -> Data Collection – Demand for each item

d_{it}	Item 1	Item 2	Item 3	Item 4	Item 5
1		6		20	
2			4		8
3	17	6			4
4		4		40	8
5	16			12	
6	12	4	4	12	
7		2	8	12	
8	12	2	4	16	
9	12	6		4	
10		4		12	
11				16	
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13	12			12	
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15	12	2		4	
16	8	2	4	12	
17			4	8	

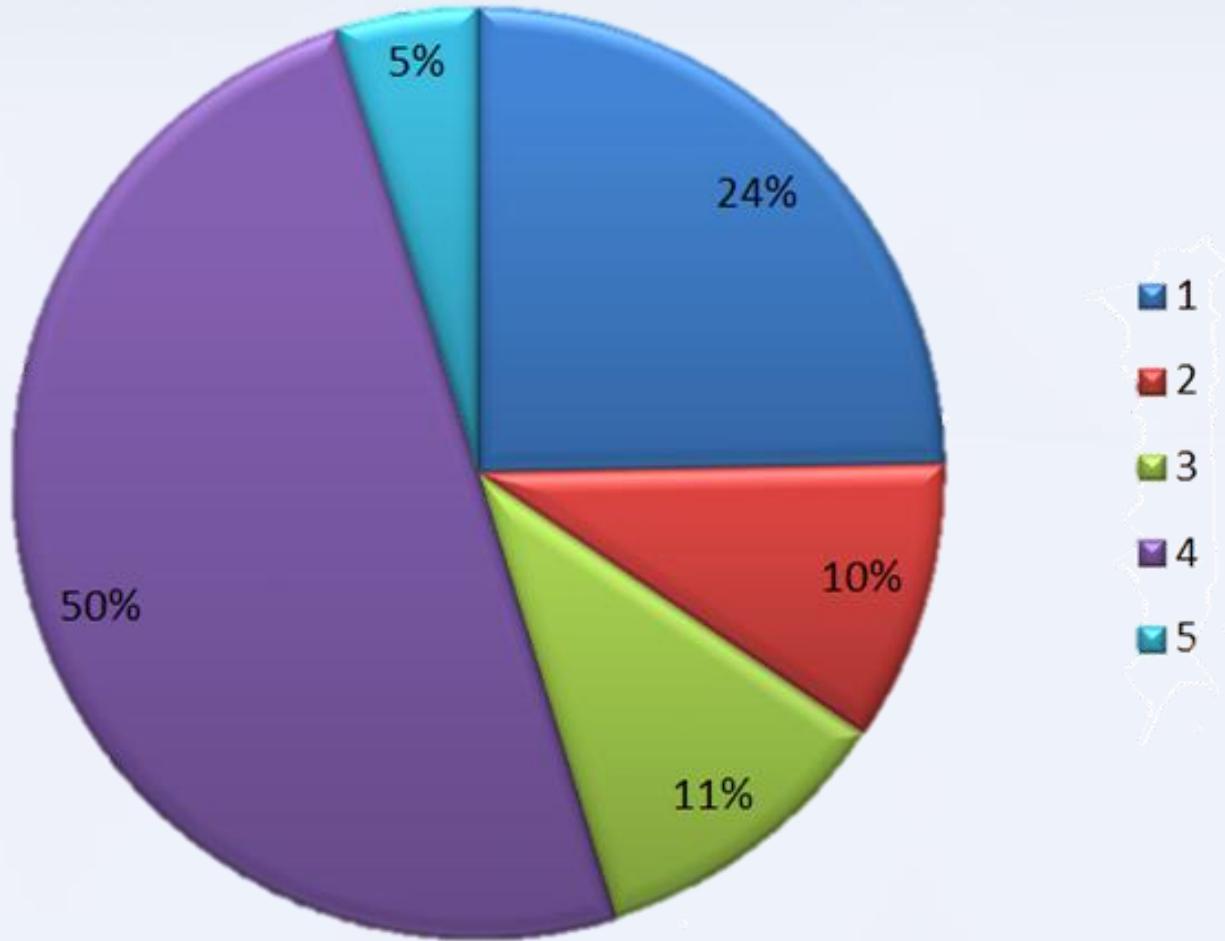


Analysis

Demand Analysis



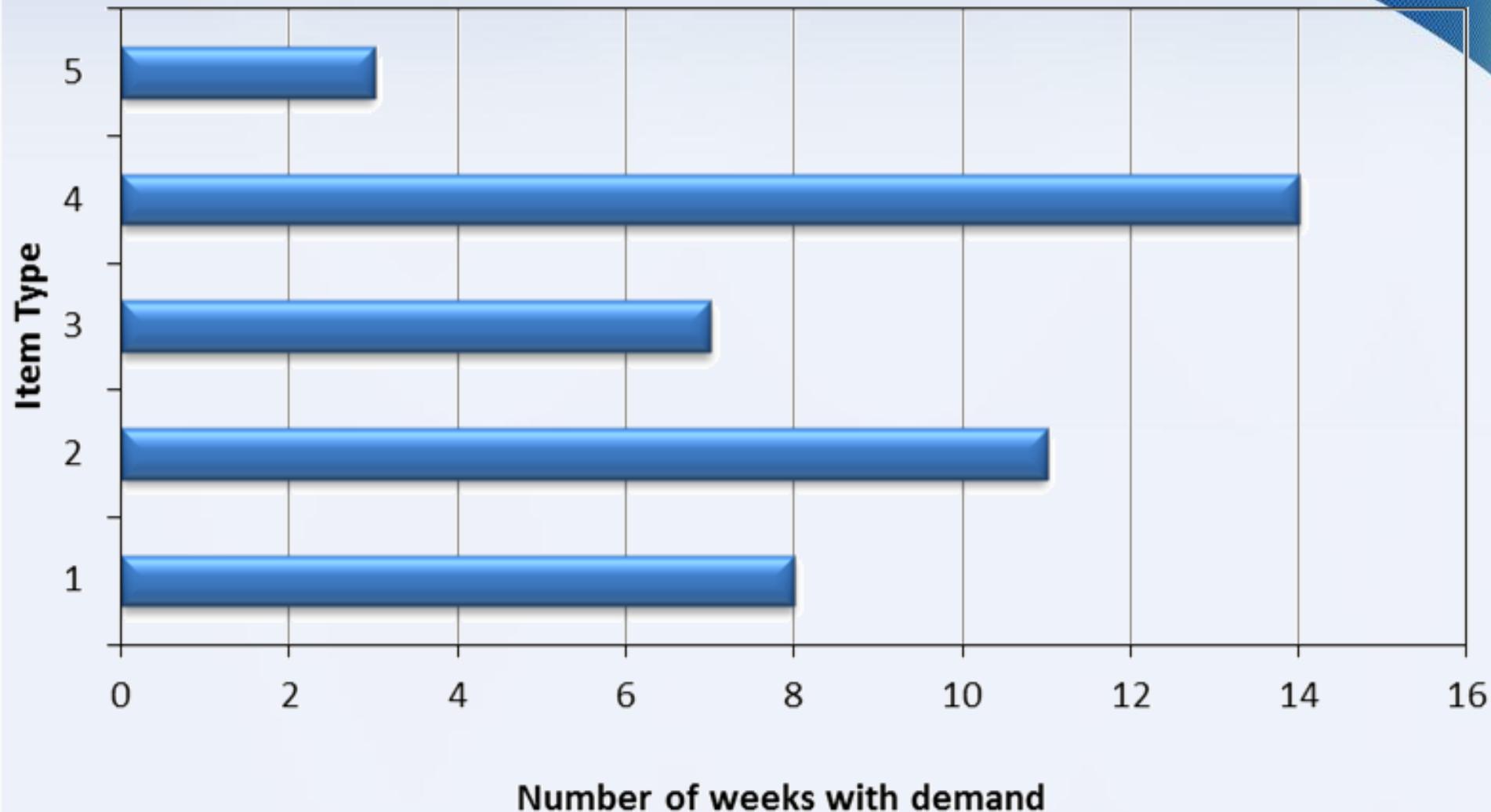
- Demand Distribution



< Distribution of total demand by type of item (Fall 2011) >

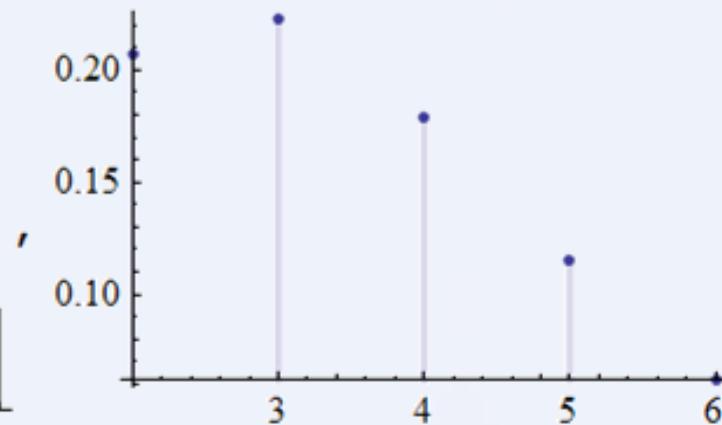
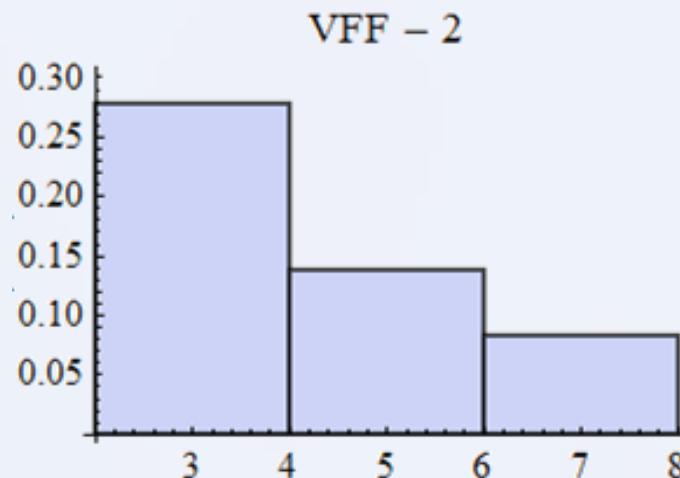
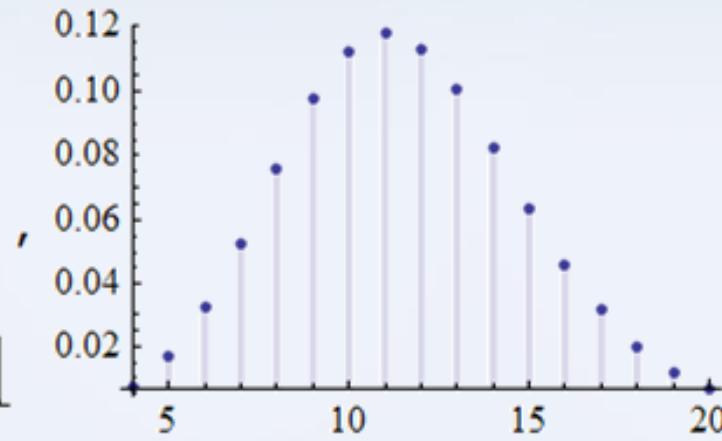
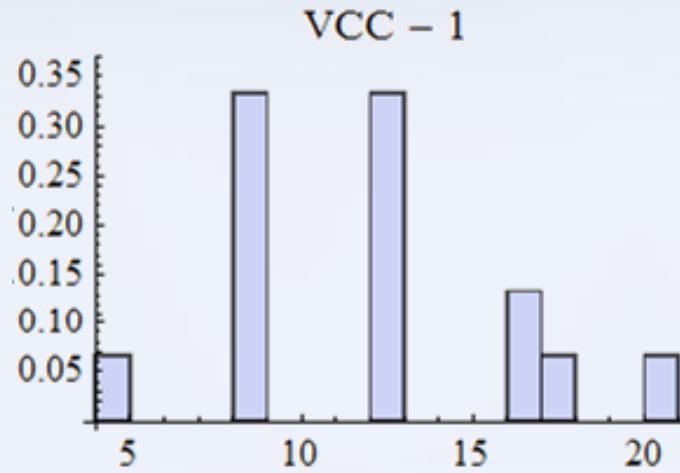


Analysis -> Demand Analysis – Demand Distribution



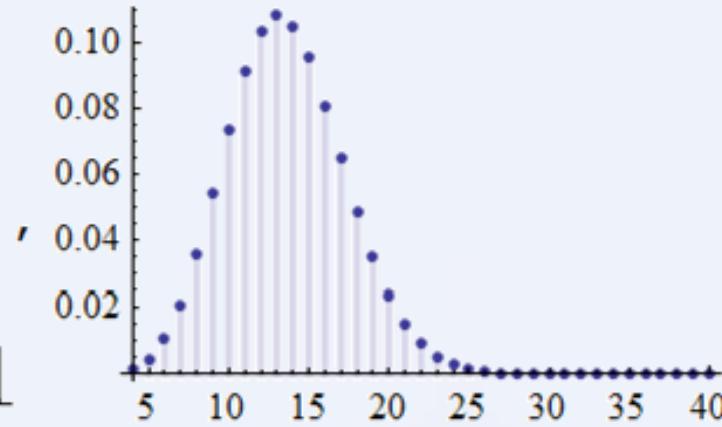
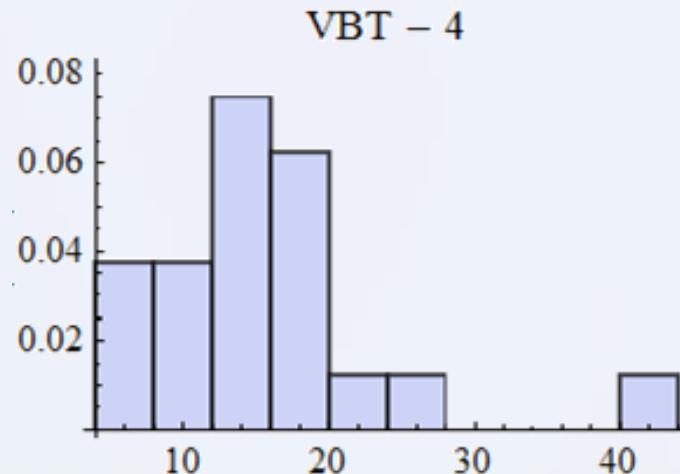
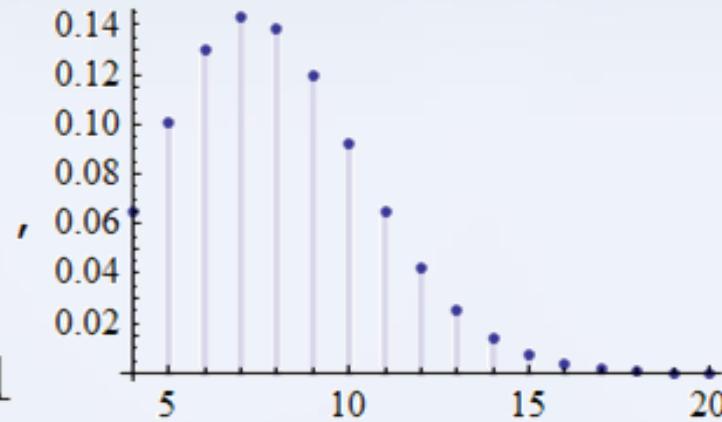
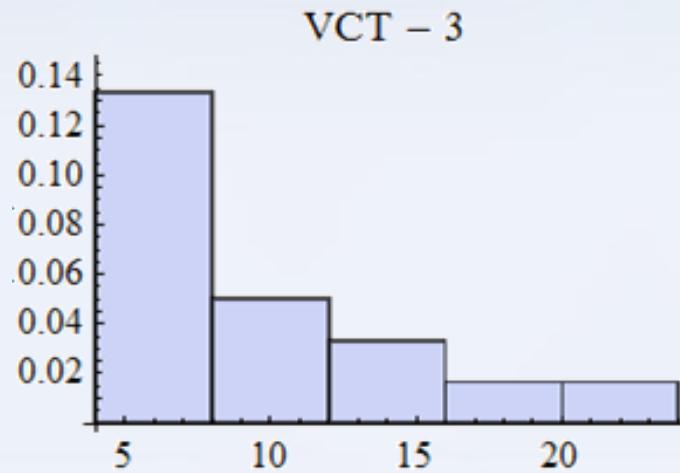
< Number of weeks with demand by item type >

- Histogram and fitted Poisson distribution



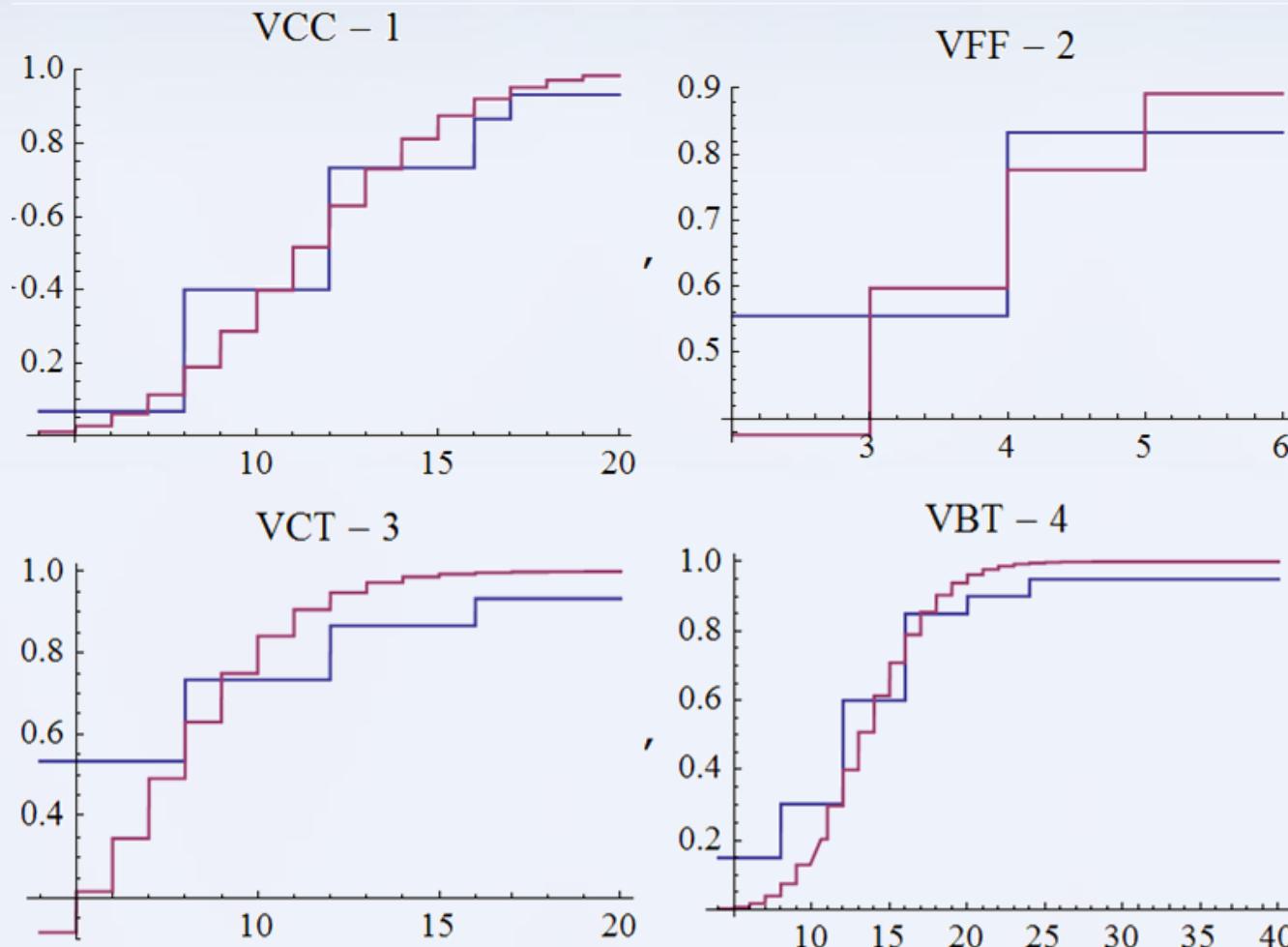
< Histogram and Estimated (Poisson) distribution for items 1-2 >

- Histogram and fitted Poisson distribution (Cont'd.)



< Histogram and Estimated (Poisson) distribution for items 3-4 >

- Analyzing distribution type



< Empirical and Theoretical (Poisson) Cumulative Distributions for items 1-4 >



Analysis -> Demand Analysis

Item	Poisson Test (p-value χ^2 test)	Poisson Distribution Reasonable?	Normality Test (p-value Watson U^2)	Normal Distribution Reasonable?
1	0.0068	No	0.0623	Yes
2	0.0003	No	0.0004	No
3	0.0090	No	0.0009	No
4	0.1068	Yes	0.0227	No

< Goodness of fit tests, $\alpha=0.05$ >



Cost Estimates

- Total costs = Ordering costs + Holding costs
- Ordering Costs
 - ▶ the cost of preparing & receiving the order + transportation cost
 - ▶ A major ordering cost
 - : independent of the number of different products in the order
 - ▶ A minor ordering cost
 - : depends on the number of different products in the order
- Holding costs
 - ▶ Inventory cost or carrying cost
 - ▶ Up to 50% of total value of items



Cost Estimates

- The following costs were considered and estimated for the JRP:

S common ordering cost (units: \$/order)

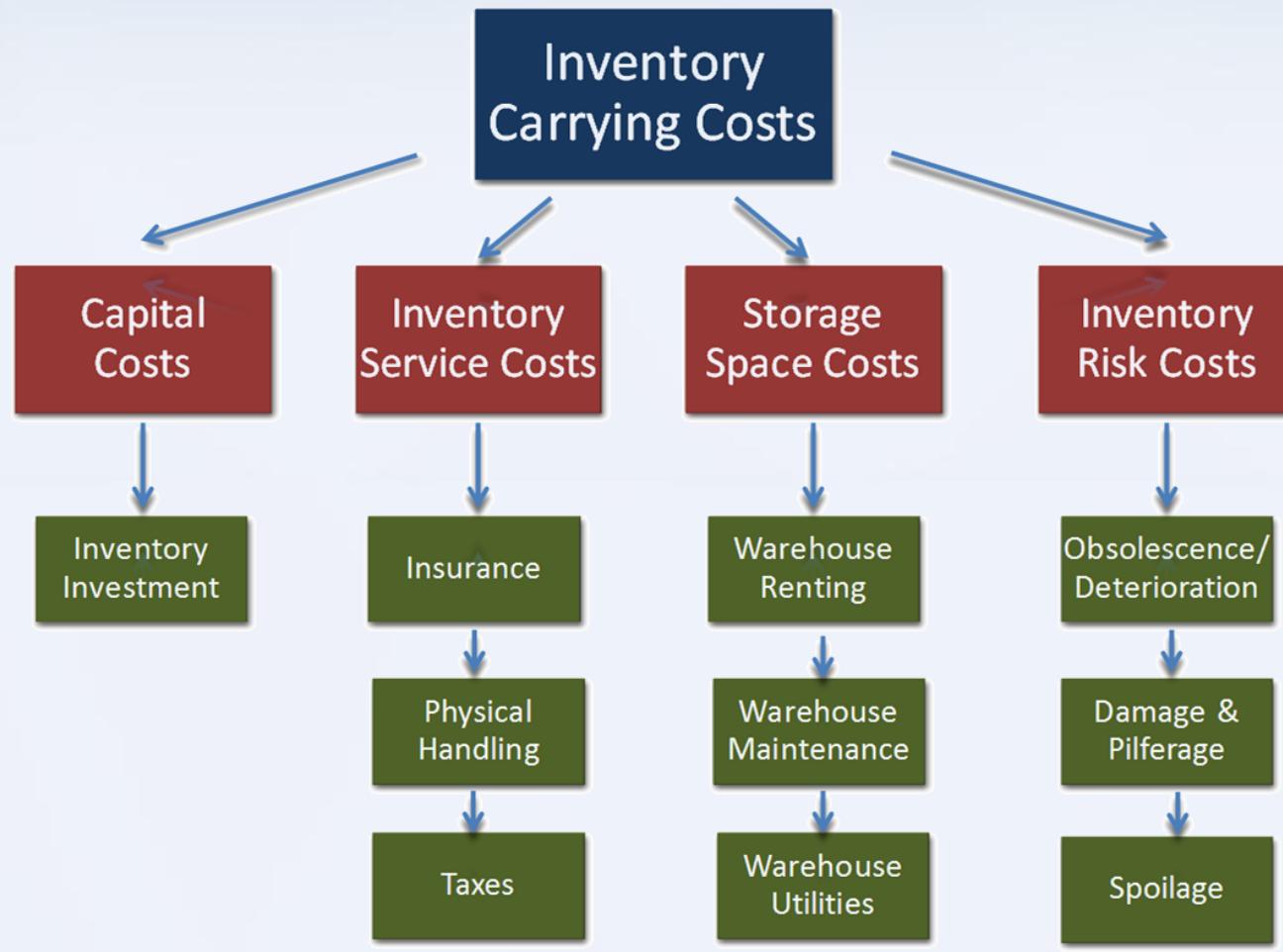
s_i individual ordering cost for item type i (units: \$/order)

c_i unit cost for item type i (units: \$/item)

p percentage of unit cost during period t for holding an item (units: %)

h_i unit inventory holding cost for item type i during period t (units: \$/item)

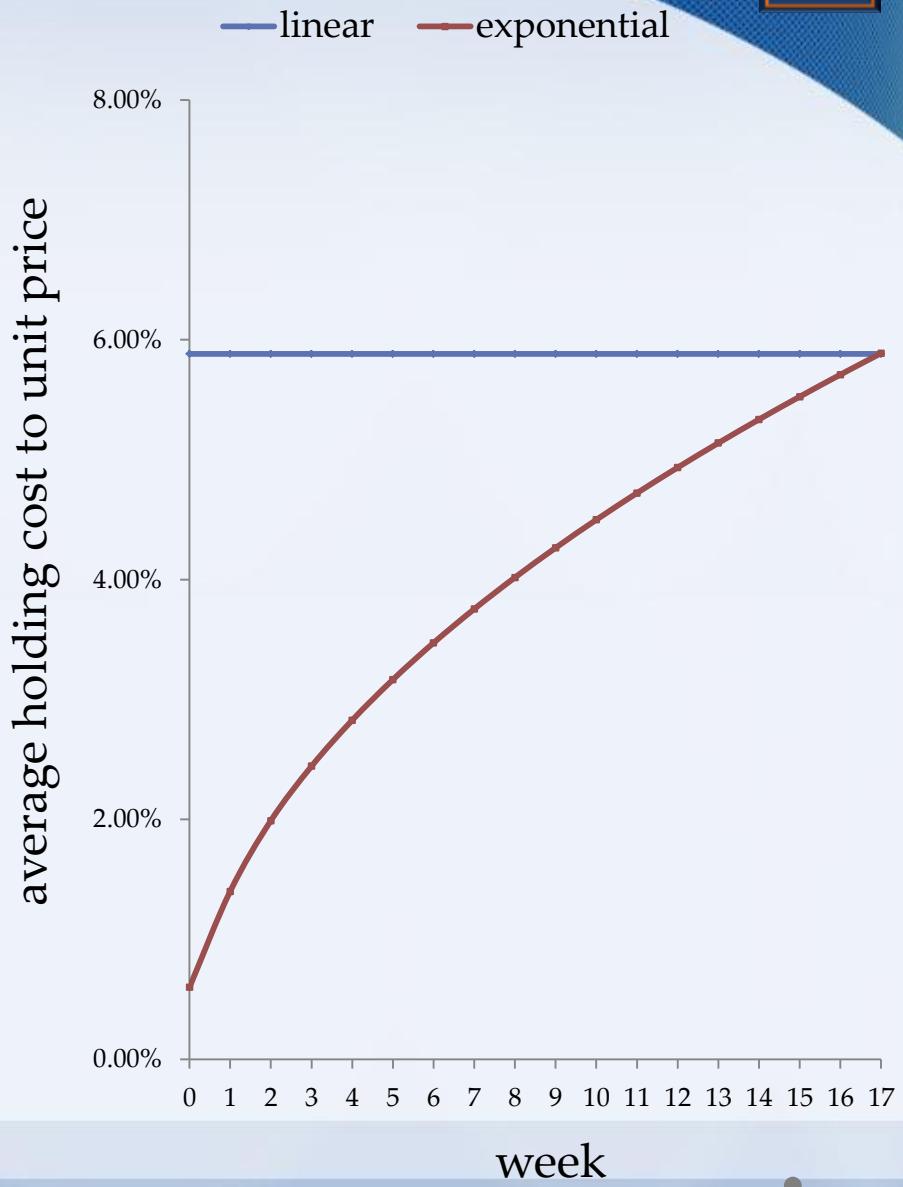
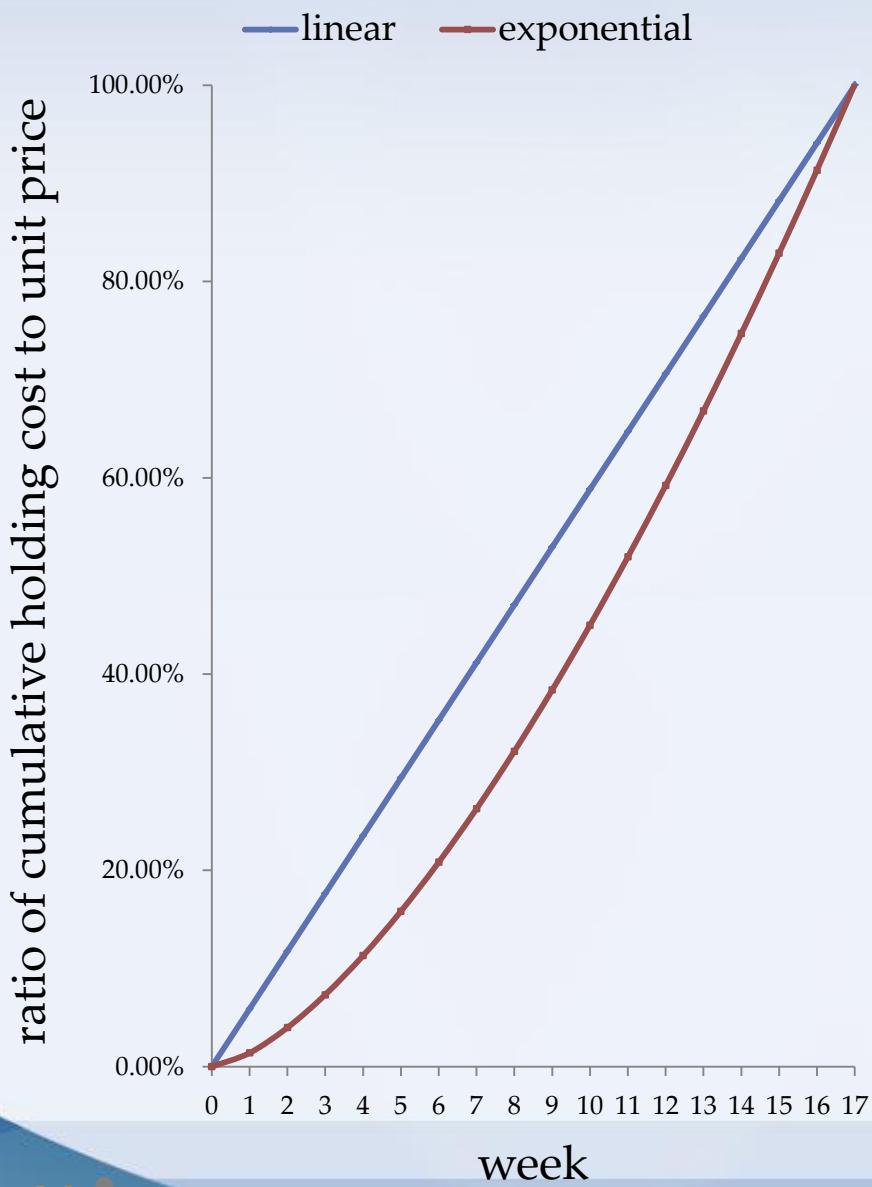
- Inventory carrying costs breakdown



< Holding Cost Breakdown >



Analysis -> Cost Estimates





Analysis -> Cost Estimates

Item Name	VCC	VFF	VCT	VBT	VSBH
Item Number i	1	2	3	4	5
S (\$/order)	\$500				
c_i (\$/pack)	\$34.59	\$37.97	\$39.24	\$38.30	\$41.07
s_i (\$/order)	\$65.03	\$71.38	\$73.77	\$72.00	\$77.21
p (%)	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%
h_i (\$/pack)	\$1.73	\$1.90	\$1.96	\$1.92	\$2.05

< Cost parameters for each vegan item analyzed >



Current System Evaluation

- Total cost of the current system = **\$7,086** / semester
 - ▶ Total holding cost: **\$6,226**
 - ▶ Total ordering cost: **\$860**

$$\$500 + (\$65.03 + \$71.38 + \$73.77 + \$72.00 + \$77.21) = \$860$$



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Literature Review

- Dynamic Joint Replenishment Problem (DJRP)
- Time-varying deterministic demand
- Linear Integer Program
- NP-hard (Arkin 1989)
- Exact algorithms
- Heuristics



Assumptions

- Time-varying deterministic demand
 - ▶ Exactly know when demand is going to occur
 - ▶ Number of students served constant
 - ▶ Demand pattern predictable



Assumptions

- Replenishments made at the beginning of each period
- Items are consumed at beginning of period t (i.e. no holding cost)
- Initial inventory is zero
- No quantity discounts from supplier
- No backlogging
- No exogenous constraints



Formulation ► Notation

- Inputs

s common ordering cost (units: \$/order)

s_i individual ordering cost for item type i (units: \$/order)

c_i unit cost for item type i (units: \$/item)

p percentage of unit cost during period t for holding an item (units: %)

h_i unit inventory holding cost for item type i during period t (units: \$/item)

D_{it} demand for item type i for period t (units: item)

$I_{0,i}$ initial inventory level of item type i (units: item)



Formulation ► Notation

- Decision Variables

I_{it} Inventory level of item type i at the end of period t (for $t > 0$)
(units: item)

x_{it} Replenishment quantity of item type i at the beginning of period t
(units: item)

y_{it} Binary variable = 1 if and only if item type i is replenished at the beginning of period t , i.e. $y_{it} = 1$ if $x_{it} > 0$

z_t Binary variables taking the value 1 if an order is placed for period t



Formulation ► Objective

- Minimize total cost
 - Major ordering cost
 - Minor ordering cost
 - Inventory holding cost

$$\min \sum_{t=1}^T \left[Sz_t + \sum_{i=1}^N \{s_i y_{it} + h_i I_{it}\} \right]$$



Formulation ► Constraints

- Subject to:

$$I_{i,t-1} + x_{it} - I_{it} = d_{it} \quad \forall i, t \quad \text{Satisfy Demand}$$

$$x_{it} \leq M y_{it} \quad \forall i, t \quad \text{Quantity in order}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^N y_{it} \leq N z_t \quad \forall t \quad \text{Item type in order}$$

$$I_{it} \geq 0, x_{it} \geq 0 \quad \forall i, t \quad \text{Non-negativity}$$

$$y_{it} = 0 \text{ or } 1, z_t = 0 \text{ or } 1 \quad \forall i, t \quad \text{Binary}$$



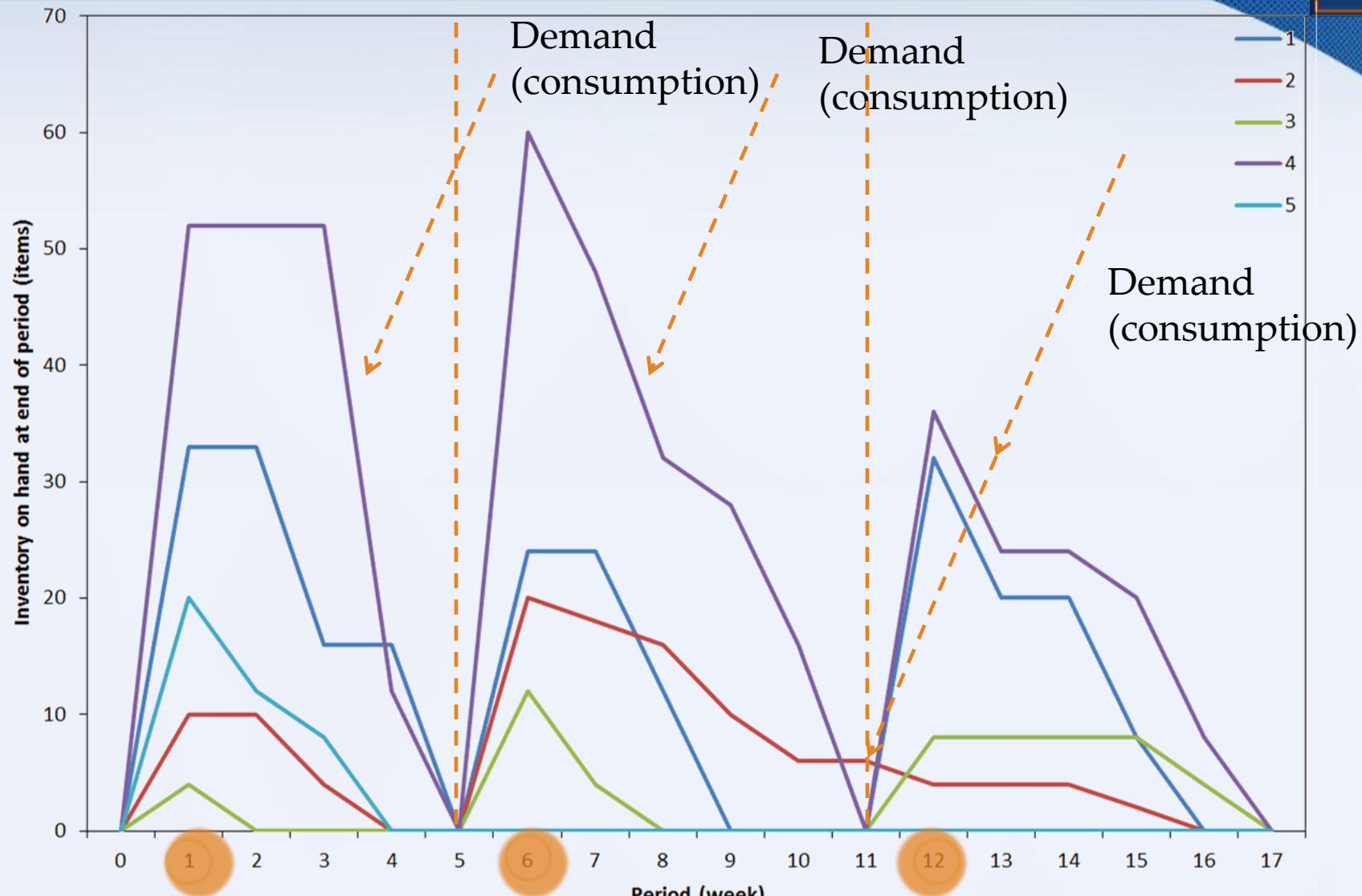
Solution ▶

- CPLEX 11.2.0
- Objective value = \$ 4,061
- Optimal order quantity:

x_{it}	1	2	3	4	5	x_{it}	1	2	3	4	5
1	33	16	4	72	20	10	0	0	0	0	0
2	0	0	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0
3	0	0	0	0	0	12	32	0	24	60	0
4	0	0	0	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	0
5	0	0	0	0	0	14	0	0	0	0	0
6	36	24	16	72	0	15	0	0	0	0	0
7	0	0	0	0	0	16	0	0	0	0	0
8	0	0	0	0	0	17	0	0	0	0	0
9	0	0	0	0	0						



Methodology I: Deterministic Model -> Solution



< Inventory level with optimal order quantities >



Solution ► Sensitivity Analysis

p	# orders	Objective
1%	1	\$1,956
5%	3	\$4,061
10%	4	\$5,395
15%	5	\$6,290
20%	6	\$6,939
25%	7	\$7,506

< Sensitivity Analysis of holding cost >



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Literature Review

- Stochastic Joint Replenishment Problem (SJRP)
 - ▶ Two approaches available:
 - continuous & periodic reviews
- Periodic Review:
 - ▶ Coordinating replenishments of multi-items:
 - when and how much to order for the whole system
 - ▶ Fixed review period → order quantity → cover demand until next review period + demand during lead time
 - ▶ Cannot meet demand → backlogging cost incurred



Literature Review

- *Effective and Simple EOQ-like Solutions for Stochastic Demand Period Review System (2007)* by Eynan and Kropp
 - ▶ Given service level and variable stockout costs
→ find cycle time that minimizes the total cost
 - ▶ Solution to SJRP ~ Economic Order Quantity solution, yet it provides a near optimal value.



Assumptions

- Demand stationary and normally distributed
 - ▶ Analysis: one item Poisson, another one Normal
 - ▶ Normal: more robust, better fit in most cases, analytically tractable (Eynan 1997)
- Backlogging allowed
 - ▶ Substitute out-stocked products
 - ▶ Penalty = item unit price
- Lead time = two weeks



Formulation

- Inputs

A	major setup cost (units: \$/order)
a	minor setup cost (units: \$/order)
h	holding cost per unit item per unit of time (units: \$/pack-week)
B	penalty cost per unit short (units: \$/pack)
D	average demand during one unit of time (units: pack/week)
σ	standard deviation of demand during one unit of time (units: pack/week)
L	lead time (units: week)

- Decision Variables

z	multiplier of σ (safety stock factor)
T	cycle time (units: /week)

- The Average Cost Per Week function for an n product family is:

$$\widehat{TC} = \frac{A}{T} + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{a_i}{k_i}}{T} + \sum_{i=1}^n \left[\frac{D_i k_i T h_i}{2} + \frac{B_i}{k_i T} \sigma_i \sqrt{k_i T + L} f[z_i(k_i T)] \right]$$

Major Cost
 Minor Cost
 Holding Inventory Cost
 Backlogging Penalty Cost

- For safety stock,

$$F[z_i(k_i T)] = 1 - \frac{h_i}{B_i} k_i T$$

< Notation used for stochastic model >



Solution

item	Unit Price (\$/pack)	A (\$/order)	a (\$/order)	h (\$/pack-week)	D (pack/week)	σ (pack/week)	L (week)	B (\$/pack)	Safety Stock (pack)
1	34.59	500	65.03	1.7295	5.94	6.75	2	34.59	19
2	37.97	500	71.38	1.8985	2.35	2.26	2	37.97	6
3	39.24	500	73.77	1.962	2.59	4.23	2	39.24	12
4	38.3	500	72	1.915	12	10	2	38.3	28
5	41	500	77.21	2.05	1.18	2.74	2	41	7

Review Period or Cycle Time = 6.50 weeks

Average Cost Per Week = \$290.10/week

Total Cost In a Semester = \$4945.32



Methodology II: Stochastic Model -> Solution

Inventory Level

$$RS = D_{RP+L} + SS$$

Item	Restocking Quantity (pack)	Demand Quantity for Each Cycle Time with Lead Time (pack)	Safety Stock Quantity (pack)
1	130	102	28
2	69	51	19
3	26	20	6
4	34	22	12
5	17	10	7

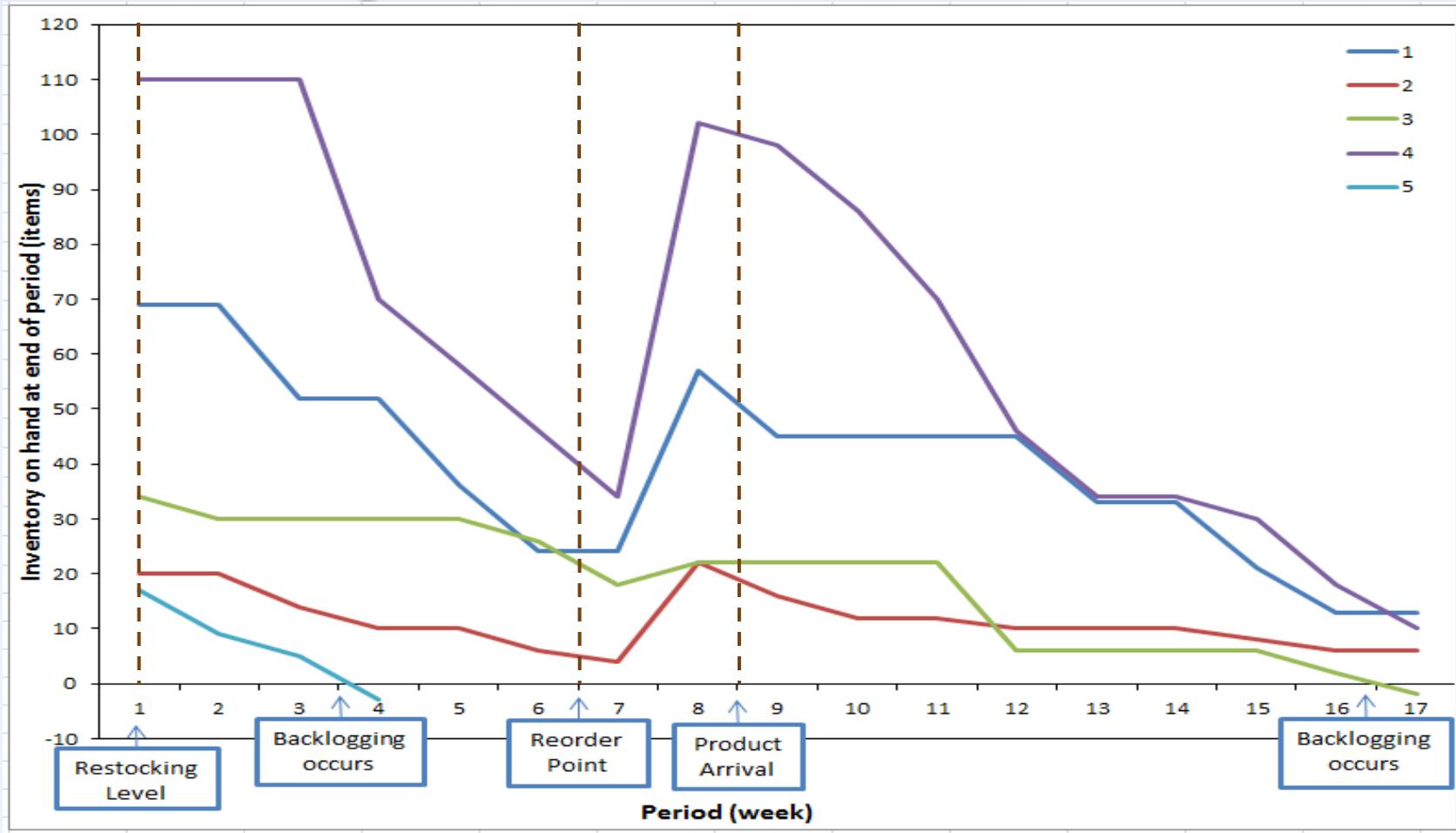
Week /Item	Inventory at the end of period (packs)					Ordering Quantity (pack)				
	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
1	69	20	34	110	17	69	26	34	130	17
2	69	20	30	110	9	0	0	0	0	0
3	52	14	30	110	5	0	0	0	0	0
4	52	10	30	70	-3	0	0	0	0	0
5	36	10	30	58	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	24	6	26	46	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	24	4	18	34	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	57	22	22	102	0	45	20	8	84	0
9	45	16	22	98	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	45	12	22	86	0	0	0	0	0	0
11	45	12	22	70	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	45	10	6	46	0	0	0	0	0	0
13	33	10	6	34	0	0	0	0	0	0
14	33	10	6	34	0	0	0	0	0	0
15	21	8	6	30	0	0	0	0	0	0
16	13	6	2	18	0	0	0	0	0	0
17	13	6	-2	10	0	0	0	0	0	0

Initial Order

Reorder Point

Item Arrival Point

Inventory Level



<Inventory Level and Ordering Quantity Based on the Stochastic Model>



Sensitivity Analysis

P	Safety Stock (Item)				Average Cost Per Week (\$/Week)	Periodic Review Time (Week)
	1	2	3	4		
1%	22	7	14	33	116.63	12.44
4%	19	6	12	28	234.14	6.98
5%	19	6	12	28	262.71	6.49
6%	18	6	11	27	289.19	6.16
9%	17	6	10	26	379.38	5.52
10%	17	6	9	25	431	5

σ	Safety Stock (Item)				Average Cost Per Week (\$/Week)	Periodic Review Time (Week)
	1	2	3	4		
0.1	2	1	1	3	259.09	6.09
0.5	9	3	6	14	260.58	6.25
0.7	13	4	8	19	261.39	6.34
0.9	17	6	11	25	262.25	6.44
1	19	6	12	28	262.71	6.49
1.1	21	7	13	31	263.17	6.54

<Sensitivity Analysis of Holding cost and Demand Standard Deviation>



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Discussion ► Results

- Current System:
 - ▶ Number of orders: 1
 - ▶ Total Cost: \$7,086
- Deterministic:
 - ▶ Number of orders: 3
 - ▶ Total Cost: \$4,061 → **43% Savings**
- Stochastic:
 - ▶ Number of orders: 2 (Cycle Time = 6.5 weeks)
 - ▶ Total Cost: \$4965 → **30% Savings**
 - ▶ Backlogs: 2



Discussion ► Pros & Cons

- Deterministic:
 - ▶ + Lowest Cost
 - ▶ + Reasonable Assumptions
 - ▶ - Computational intractable for large N items
 - ▶ - No uncertainty
- Stochastic:
 - ▶ + Uncertainty considered (demand + lead time)
 - ▶ + Easy to implement
 - ▶ - Normal Assumption
 - ▶ - Not optimal



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Conclusion ► Summary

- Identified improvement opportunities
- Analyzed data
- Evaluated current system
- Conducted literature review
- Determined replenishment policies



Conclusion ► Recommendations

- Implement proposed solutions
- Evaluate performance
- Apply to other items
- Consider heuristics
- Investigate item substitution
- Improve data collection



THANK YOU, ANY QUESTION?





Appendix