1.1 Problem Set

A small grocery store has only one checkout counter. Customers arrive at this checkout counter at random from 1 to 8 minutes apart. Each possible value of inter arrival time has the same probability of occurrence. The service times vary from 1 to 6 minutes with the probabilities shown in table 2. The problem is to analyze the system by simulating the arrival and service of 6 customers.

Table.1 Distribution of arrived time

| Interarrival time (Min) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Probability | 0.125 | 0.125 | 0.125 | 0.125 | 0.125 | 0.125 | 0.125 | 0.125 |

Table-2 Distribution of service time

| Service time (Min) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
|-----------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Probability | 0.20 | 0.10 | 0.30 | 0.15 | 0.20 | 0.05 |

Calculate the following:

- i. The average waiting time for a customer
- ii. The probability that a customer has to wait in the queue
- iii. The fraction of idle time of the server
- iv. The average service time
- v. The average time between arrivals
- vi. The average waiting time of those who wait
- vii. The average time a customer spends in the system.

Use the following sequence of random number,

Random digit for arrival are: 905, 727, 125, 848, 609.

Random digit for service time are: 14, 30, 94, 53, 37, 79.

1.2 Solution:

Calculate arrival time distribution and assign a random number,

| Time between arrival | Probability | Cumulative probability | Random digit assignment |
|----------------------|-------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 | 0.125 | 0.125 | 00 – 125 |
| 2 | 0.125 | 0.250 | 126 – 250 |
| 3 | 0.125 | 0.375 | 251 – 375 |
| 4 | 0.125 | 0.500 | 376 - 500 |
| 5 | 0.125 | 0.625 | 501 - 625 |
| 6 | 0.125 | 0.750 | 626 – 750 |
| 7 | 0.125 | 0.875 | 751 – 875 |
| 8 | 0.125 | 1.000 | 876 - 000 |

Calculate service time distribution and assign a random number,

| Service time | Probability | Cumulative probability | Random digit assignment |
|--------------|-------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 | 0.20 | 0.20 | 00 - 20 |
| 2 | 0.10 | 0.30 | 21 – 30 |
| 3 | 0.30 | 0.60 | 31 – 60 |
| 4 | 0.15 | 0.75 | 61 – 75 |
| 5 | 0.20 | 0.95 | 76 - 95 |
| 6 | 0.05 | 1.00 | 96 - 00 |

Determining time between arrival,

| Customer | Random Digit | IAT |
|----------|--------------|-----|
| 1 | - | - |
| 2 | 905 | 8 |
| 3 | 727 | 6 |
| 4 | 125 | 1 |
| 5 | 848 | 7 |
| 6 | 609 | 5 |

Determining service time,

| Customer | Random Digit | Service time |
|----------|--------------|--------------|
| 1 | 14 | 1 |
| 2 | 30 | 2 |
| 3 | 94 | 5 |
| 4 | 53 | 3 |
| 5 | 37 | 3 |
| 6 | 79 | 5 |

Simulation Table

| Customer | IAT | Arrival Time | Service time | Time service begins | Waiting time | Time service ends | Time spent in system | Idle time of server |
|----------|-----|--------------|--------------|------------------------|--------------|-------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| 1 | - | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 2 | 8 | 8 | 2 | 8 | 0 | 10 | 2 | 7 |
| 3 | 6 | 14 | 5 | 14 | 0 | 19 | 5 | 4 |
| 4 | 1 | 15 | 3 | 19 | 4 | 22 | 7 | 0 |
| 5 | 7 | 22 | 3 | 22 | 0 | 25 | 3 | 0 |
| 6 | 5 | 27 | 5 | 27 | 0 | 32 | 5 | 2 |

Here,

 $Total\ number\ of\ customer=6,$

 $Cumulative\ IAT = 27$,

 $Total\ service\ time=19,$

Number of customers waiting in queue = 1,

Total time customer wait in queue = 4,

 $Total\ idle\ time\ of\ server\ =\ 13,$

 $Total\ run\ time\ of\ server\ =\ 32,$

 $Total\ time\ spent\ in\ system=23$

Therefore,

i. The average waiting time for a customer = $\frac{\textit{Total time customer wait in queue}}{\textit{Total number of customer}}$

$$=\frac{4}{6}=0.67 \, mins$$

ii. The probability that a customer has to wait in the queue

$$= \left(\frac{Number\ of\ customers\ waiting\ in\ queue}{Total\ number\ of\ customer}\right) \times 100 = \frac{1}{6} \times 100 = 16.67\%$$

iii. The fraction of idle time of the server $=\left(\frac{Total\ idle\ time\ of\ server}{Total\ run\ time\ of\ server}\right)\times 100$

$$=\frac{13}{32}\times100=40.625\%$$

- iv. The average service time $=\frac{Total\ service\ time}{Total\ number\ of\ customer}=\frac{19}{6}=3.17\ mins$
- v. The average time between arrivals = $\frac{Cumulative\ IAT}{Total\ number\ of\ customer-1} = \frac{27}{5} = 5.4\ mins$
- vi. The average waiting time of those who wait $=\frac{Total\ time\ customer\ wait\ in\ queue}{Number\ of\ customers\ waiting\ in\ queue}$

$$= \frac{4}{1} = 4 \ mins$$

vii. The average time a customer spends in the system = $\frac{\text{Total time spent in system}}{\text{Total number of customer}}$

$$=\frac{23}{6}=3.83$$
 mins

1.3 Simulation in Excel:

Simulation Table,

| Serial | random_ number_ for_IAT | inter_arrivel _time | arrival_time | random_ number_ for_servi ce_time | service_time | time_service _begins | waiting_tim e | time-service _end | time_spent_ in_system | |
|--------|-------------------------------|------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|---|
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 97 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 6 | 0 |
| 2 | 479 | 4 | 4 | 36 | 3 | 6 | 2 | 9 | 5 | 0 |
| 3 | 990 | 8 | 12 | 46 | 3 | 12 | 0 | 15 | 3 | 3 |
| 4 | 92 | 1 | 13 | 47 | 3 | 15 | 2 | 18 | 5 | 0 |
| 5 | 917 | 8 | 21 | 80 | 5 | 21 | 0 | 26 | 5 | 3 |
| 6 | 202 | 2 | 23 | 16 | 1 | 26 | 3 | 27 | 4 | 0 |
| 6 | | | | | 21 | | 7 | | 28 | 6 |

Value calculation,

| | | total number of customer | Cumulative IAT | total service time | number of customer waiting in queue | total time customer wait in queue | total idle time of server |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| | | 6 | 23 | 21 | 3 | 7 | 6 |
| The average waiting time for a customer | 1.17 mins | | | | | | |
| The probability that a customer has to wait in the queue | 50 % | | | | | | |
| The fraction of idle time of the server | 21 % | | | | | | |
| The average service time | 3.5 mins | | | | | | |
| The average time between arrivals | 4.6 mins | | | | | | |
| The average waiting time of those who wait | 2.33 mins | | | | | | |
| The average time a customer spends in the system | 4.67 mins | | | | | | |

1.4 Simulation using python:

Code:

```
from random import randrange
customer_in\_server = []
ultimate_customer_info = []
customer_in_queue = []
rn_iat = 0
iat = 0
rn_st = 0
st = 0
stb = 0
wt = 0
its = 0
def inter_arrival_time(k):
 for i in range(k):
   if (i == 0):
     customer_in_queue = [i, 0, 0, 0]
   else:
     global stb, wt, its
     rn_iat = randrange(1000)
     if (rn_iat < 126):
       iat = 1
     elif(rn_iat < 251):
       iat = 2
     elif(rn_iat < 376):
       iat = 3
     elif(rn_iat < 501):
       iat = 4
     elif(rn_iat < 626):
       iat = 5
     elif(rn_iat < 751):
       iat = 6
     elif(rn_iat < 876):
       iat = 7
     elif(rn_iat < 1001):
       iat = 8
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customer_in_server = customer_in_queue.copy()
     customer_in_queue = [i, rn_iat, iat]
     at = customer_in_server[3] + customer_in_queue[2]
     customer_in_queue.append(at)
     stb = max(customer_in_server[8], customer_in_queue[3])
     wt = customer_in_server[8] - at
     if wt < 0:
       wt = 0
     its = at - customer_in_server[8]
     if its < 0:
       its = 0
   a, b = server\_time()
   customer_in_queue.append(a)
   customer_in_queue.append(b)
   customer_in_queue.append(stb)
   customer_in_queue.append(wt)
   tse = customer_in_queue[5] + customer_in_queue[6]
   customer_in_queue.append(tse)
   tsis = customer_in_queue[8] - customer_in_queue[3]
   customer_in_queue.append(tsis)
   customer_in_queue.append(its)
   ultimate_customer_info.append(customer_in_queue)
def server_time():
 rn_st = randrange(100)
 if (rn_st < 21):
   st = 1
 elif(rn_st < 31):
   st = 2
 elif(rn_st < 61):
   st = 3
 elif(rn_st < 76):
   st = 4
 elif(rn_st < 96):
   st = 5
 elif (rn_st < 101):
   st = 6
```

Output:

| (-/ | rn-iat | iat | at | rn_st | st | stb | wt | tse | tsis | its |
|---------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------------|----------|-----------|----|-----|------|-----|
| Customer no. | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 90 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 5 | 0 |
| 1 | 487 | 4 | 4 | 40 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 8 | 4 | 0 |
| 2 | 946 | 8 | 12 | 7 | 1 | 12 | 0 | 13 | 1 | 4 |
| 3 | 900 | 8 | 20 | 75 | 4 | 20 | 0 | 24 | 4 | 7 |
| 4 | 869 | 7 | 27 | 5 | 1 | 27 | 0 | 28 | 1 | 3 |
| 5 | 603 | 5 | 32 | 49 | 3 | 32 | 0 | 35 | 3 | 4 |
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