Due: 2/5/17

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Supermarket Checkout Simulation

Write a program that simulates a checkout line at a supermarket. Customers arrive in random intervals from 1 - 4 minutes. Each customer is also serviced from 1 - 4 minutes. The store starts the day with 3 lanes open. Run the simulation for a 12-hour day (720 minutes) using the following to help you.

- 1. Get a random integer between 1 and 4 (customer arrival time)
- 2. Determine that customer's service time (another random integer!)
- 3. Begin servicing that customer (all lines are empty!)
- 4. Don't forget to account for all of the following throughout the "day"!
 - a. calculate when customers arrive
 - b. When they do, output a message (include customer ID and time of arrival)
 - c. Enqueue them into a lane (think of logic to prevent 1 lane always being chosen!)
 - d. When a customer is done being serviced, output a message (include customer ID and total time they spend in the queue)
 - e. Dequeue the customer when they are finished

Answer the following questions after your simulation is complete.

- 1. What was the maximum number of customers in line (across all lines) at any time? How many were in each line?
- 2. What was the longest wait time for a customer?
- 3. Change the arrival time to 2-5 minutes, how does this affect the outcome? Re-answer problems 1 & 2 with these settings.
- 4. What are the minimum number of lanes that must be open to keep all customer's waiting times < 5 minutes using both of the arrival time intervals? How about for < 10 minutes?