

Hello ^{everyone} ~~students~~, Jasper here. Many of you asked me what is system simulation. and How could system simulation benefit us. Well, today, I will spend to lead you into this world.

First, Let's forget about all of the terminologies and focus on 1 question:

Have you ever been pissed off with a long, ~~very long~~, ^{waiting} ~~extremely long~~ line for a certain service?

I had a friend a few years ago whose name is John.

He just graduated from a university and passed the paper test for a drivers' license.

^{Sunny} One day, he went to ICBC for a road test registration.

He had smiles on his face because he just got paid ^{from} his co-op ~~boss~~ ^{job}, and he will ~~date~~ ^{date} with his love, ~~Alamy~~, after this registration. his favourite car. so he could lease the newest Honda CIVIC

However, that smile only stayed before ^{he entered the} ~~the~~ ICBC nightmare door. There ^{was} a long, very long, extremely long line to the ^{only} reception desk. He noticed that there was only ① clerk working for the line, and the clerk ^{was even} ~~is~~ chatting with ^{her} ~~colleagues~~ colleagues.

John waited, waited, and waited for ~~an entire~~ ^{an entire} ~~one~~ hour ^{to finally} ~~and half~~ reach the front of that Clerk.

While he was talking to the clerk, he find another long, very long, extremely long line behind that clerk.

"What is that line for?" John asked

"That line is for license photos" the Clerk answered

John got mad, really really mad, like he swared to the god ~~that~~ he will never set foot ~~after~~ ~~about~~ 2 hours, into this devil ICBC door once again.

He spend another 1.5 hours ~~for a line~~ for the photo and the entire process took him more than 2hs.

A few days later. The manager of that ICBC Branch ^{David} received a call from the headquarter.

"~~Get this pr~~ We got a complaints call from a very angry customer"

"OK, sir, but ~~we~~ our budget can only improve one section"

"I don't give a —, get this problem solved or lose your job"

~~OK students, that's the end of the story.~~

Imagine you are ~~the~~ ^{David} manager. You have the budget can either hire a new clerk or buy a new camera. How can you determine which method ^{the system efficiency} ~~the system efficiency~~ mostly ^{what} ~~is~~ ^{will} improve

Which method will reduce the service time more than the other?

Some students may say "Hey ^{professor} ~~professor~~, how about we first buy a new camera, ~~to~~

see the change of efficiency for a while, ~~And then~~ ^{refund it}. And then hire a new clerk, see

which method will ^{reduce} ~~improve~~ the service time ^{mostly} ~~mostly~~?

Well, I would say you are pretty smart. But if a new camera is all we need, how can you refund your new employee. At least in north america.

To ~~solve this~~ ^{far} question, welcome, to the system simulation world.

In this course, we will use computers to simulate ^{many} ~~a some~~ simple systems ~~to~~ for solving ~~this kind of~~ problems