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INTRODUCTION

In the early 50's Advanced Guided Vehicle Systems (AGVSs) were introduced in the United States. The early systems were used for automating warehouse transportation operation of materials by providing a link between the storage, receiving, and shipping departments.

The Europeans were the first to recognize the potential of AGVSs and created a demand for new vehicle types and new applications. Recently AGVSs have developed the ability to deliver parts and materials to the entry points of production and the transport of fixtured workpieces and tools to computer controlled machining centers in a flexible manufacturing process.

The United States has now become more involved in the use of AGVSs systems. This increased involvement is shown by the yearly industry growth of 5 to 6 % from the 1950's to the 1970's, to what is expected to be a yearly increase rate of 30 % in the 1980's.

BACKGROUND

There are three basic situations in which today's AGVSs are applied. The first application is to interface work-in-process automatic storage and retrieval systems and link them with manufacturing floor systems. This provides a link for the possible real-time material tracking throughout a facility.

The second application is in flexible manufacturing systems. The AGVSs are used to deliver material to computer

numerical control machines. In this case a central control system links the vehicles with the computer numerical control machine for material tracking.

The third application is for distribution environments. The vehicles are used to move large volumes of materials great distances. For example, the movement of materials from bulk storage to receiving and shipping docks and vice versa.

Within AGVSs there are basically five types of vehicles which are used: automated towing vehicles, pallet trucks, unit-load carriers, automated forklift vehicles and specialty trucks (sideloading trucks, for example).

The power sources for these vehicles are lead-acid batteries which have 24 to 48 volt and 80 to 500 amp-hour capacity. These batteries remain charged for approximately 8 to 16 hours.

The vehicles run on a guidepath which provides a two-way link from the vehicle to the operating device. The guidepath carries instructions from the computer to the vehicles and vehicle status information from the vehicle to the operating device.

There are two types of vehicle guidance techniques: optical guidance and magnetic guidance.

In the optical guidance method the guidepath is marked by reflective tape or painted stripes on the floor. The vehicle emits a lightbeam which is focused on the guidepath, and tracks the path by measuring the amplitude of the

reflected light. Other optical paths use ultraviolet light or invisible chemicals for guidance. Optical guidepaths are used mainly in office environments or temporary guidance systems. They are not recommended for extended use in industrial environments because they have a tendency to get covered over in a dirty work area.

The other guidance technique (and most commonly used) is magnetic guidance. In a magnetic system the guidepath is generated by the electromagnetic field created by a continuous wire conductor embedded in a small slot in the floor. One or more wires are placed in the slot (1/8 to 3/8 inches wide and 1 to 1.5 inches deep), which is filled with an epoxy material to make the floor smooth. The wires are energized with a low-current, low frequency AC signal that generates a magnetic field around the wire. A sensor coil, which is on board the battery-powered vehicle, detects the magnetic field created around the wire. Any deviation in the magnetic field causes the vehicle to deviate from its present activity (to turn, stop, etc.). Magnetic guidance requires more effort to install and is more difficult to change. But upon completion of installation of the required wire system it is virtually maintenance free.

Once an AGVS is installed there are two types of system control: traffic management and system management.

Traffic management is done by three possible methods. The first is called zone control or "blocking". The guidepath system is divided into zones or blocks with separate control exercised over each zone in the system.

This is done by either distributed zone control or central zone control.

In distributed zone control, the vehicle is not permitted to enter a zone until all previous traffic in that zone has moved on to another zone. When the zone is clear of all vehicle activity a hold beacon is de-energized and the vehicle is allowed to enter the zone and approach any stop station within that zone.

In centralized zone control, there is a central controller which monitors all zones at one time versus the distributed approach where there is a monitor at each zone. When a vehicle approaches a zone entrance the central controller receives status information and signals the communication point when the vehicle is okayed to move ahead.

The second method of traffic management was made possible because the developments in the last decade in microprocessor and minicomputer technology. This technology has provided the foundation for the development of intelligent or "smart" vehicles. The development of these "smart" vehicles has allowed for the elimination of zone control. In this type of system the vehicles are equipped with onboard microprocessors. This is, of course, a very expensive system. The main advantage of this type of traffic management is that if one vehicle fails the whole system does not go down.

The third method of traffic management is sensor

control. In this method, each vehicle is equipped with on-board sonic or optical sensors. These sensors emit signals and record the reflected response. When something is in the vehicle's proposed path, whether a foreign object or another vehicle, the vehicle will stop a specified distance from the obstruction and will not proceed until it is removed. Sensor control is most effective on a straight and unvarying guideway.

The second type of system control is system management. There are three types of system management: on board call, off board call, and central computer control.

On board call or dispatch is typified by a panel being on board the vehicle and the station operator using this panel to dispatch the vehicle to a desired destination. This method is the simplest and cheapest but is heavily dependent on the operator.

The second method of system management is off board call or remote dispatch system. In this system the operator interacts with a remote dispatch instead of directly with the vehicle and "calls" a vehicle to his station. This method increases efficiency by providing a buffer between the vehicles and the system's operators. However, this system provides no material tracking capabilities and is still dependent on the station operators.

The third method of system management is central computer control. In this approach the operator control on the system is eliminated. All vehicles in the system are monitored by a central controller and respond to his

commands only. If the vehicle controller is interfaced with the user's host computer it is possible to have real-time tracking and inventory control. In most cases these systems are connected with automatic load/unload devices which further reduce the operator involvement which in turn eliminates potential idle time of the vehicle. Central computer control is more complex and expensive (as much as twice that of remote dispatch) but in proper circumstances can pay for itself in increased efficiency and system flexibility.

There are many possible benefits to the installation of a AGVS, some of which include:

- (1) materials are more closely controlled as a result of more accurate inventory information,
- (2) reduction of work-in process inventory,
- (3) a more efficient use of personnel, which produces significant labor savings,
- (4) a more efficient work environment (workers don't have to keep up with a line),
- (5) elimination of manual material handling between manufacturing sections,
- (6) the flexibility afforded by guidepaths that can be readily changed,

- (7) increase in production space because the guidepath requires minimal area,

- (8) more efficient use of floor space since the guidepath provides no obstruction to material flow off the path,

- (9) overall adaptability to automation and AGVSs' effectiveness in operating with other computer controlled systems.

As the benefits increase so does the price of AGVSs. But still it is a worthwhile investment for industry. In fact, four times as many AGVSs were sold in 1984 than in 1983.

Because of the increasing cost, development of pre-installation simulation procedures are needed to be able to accurately predict system performance before installation of the actual physical system.

The purpose of this thesis is to develop procedures that can be used during the design and evaluation of the proposed AGVS systems.

OBJECTIVE

Because of the ever increasing demand for AGVSs, it has become necessary to make a thorough design and evaluation of facility plans before large capital investments can be made. This can be done by developing different designs and evaluating them by computer simulation. The evaluation of AGVSs can be done with simulation languages, in this case GPSS-H. The use of GPSS-H provides the opportunity, without having to use physical hardware, to emulate an actual system with the manipulation of mathematical equations. This can produce design criteria for the implementation of a AGVS.

This thesis will be concerned with the development of design and evaluation techniques for AGVSs. Macros, using GPSS-H, will be developed which emulate the unique sections which make up AGVSs. By piecing these "unique sections" together like building blocks the AGVS, whether real or proposed, can be simulated and hence evaluated.

Three AGV systems will be evaluated, one which is in existence and two that are being proposed by a local manufacturer.

The first system, which is already in use, will be simulated and then evaluated. The evaluation will consist of a study of the number of vehicles needed, vehicle utilization, vehicle efficiency, job completion, and block analysis.

The second and third systems, which are being proposed, will be first designed and then optimized, by development of material handling techniques. Simulation will then be used to evaluate the designs and give insights for possible design improvements.

MODELING

The depiction of the AGVSs will be done using the General Purpose Simulation System computer language. The version used is GPSS/H.

Macros were developed to emulate the following unique parts of a AGVS: travel block, input block, output block, park block, refuel block, loop block, and the cross block. The program statements which are used to call these macros are individualized by a set of operands which are used in the called macro. The main program statements call the desired macro and place it in its place in the main program. The operands which are attached to the main program statement individualize each macro into separate pieces of track. These main program statements are pieced together to form a representation of the actual AGVS.

Incorporation into the program of logical code is needed to make decisions at path division points. When a vehicle reaches a decision point its destination is checked and the correct route is chosen.

To depict accurately any AGVS with simulation programming the following factors must be imitated.

- (1) Blocking - Blocking is a signalling system which divides the work route into zones and allows only one vehicle into that zone at one time.
- (2) Routing - Routing is choosing the route to the destination that has the shortest possible path.
- (3) Dispatch and scheduling algorithms - D/S is a method of assigning empty vehicle destinations.
- (4) Status - The status of the input stations, output stations, and vehicles must be kept for decision making processes through the system
- (5) Parking stations - Emulation of these are necessary to have a place where the vehicle can go when there are no jobs to be performed; otherwise the vehicle will travel the circuit and obstruct vehicles doing work.

Blocking is accomplished by allowing only one vehicle into any macro at one time. If a vehicle attempts entry into a macro which is already in use it waits and the waiting time is recorded.

Routing is accomplished by providing the proper tests at path divisions. For example, if a vehicle must travel from point A to B, the incorporated test logic will "steer" the vehicle on the appropriate path to its destination.

Five approaches were considered in constructing the dispatch and scheduling algorithm: set distribution, queue sizing, first-in-first-out, minimum distance locator, and combined queue sizing and minimum distance locator.

The set distribution algorithm can be used when destinations from points are surveyed over a period of time and then categorized into a distribution. This is a simple

algorithm which uses a random number generator to pick the next vehicle destination.

The queue sizing algorithm is merely the checking of all possible destinations and the picking of the one with the longest job queue.

The first-in-first-out algorithm ranks with queue sizing for complexity. The algorithm picks the destination which has the oldest job. This method is useful when time limits are set on job fulfillment.

These first three approaches can cause much lost time for a AGVS. All are common in the fact that they may require the AVG to travel long distances to destinations when alternatives are shorter.

This leads into the fourth approach which is the minimum distance locator algorithm (MDLA). In the MDLA, all possible destinations are scanned and the destination which is the closest is chosen. Because a vehicle round trip consists of travelling empty to an input station and travelling loaded to an output station, the MDLA reduces empty vehicle travel time by directing the vehicles from the outputs to the closest inputs that have jobs to be done. The problem with this algorithm is that job queues can back up at input stations simply because of their great distance from destination assignment points.

The fifth, and most complex, algorithm is the queue sizing and MDLA combination. This algorithm first checks all job queues for any which are above a "queue full"

status. If any are above that level the vehicle is dispatched to that destination. Note that there should be at most one job queue exceeding this level at a time. There is no logic in the algorithm to accommodate multiple job queue overloads, for in the properly running system there should not be more than one. In an inadequate system where two or more overloads may occur, one is chosen without regard to distance. If there is no overload of the job queues the vehicle is dispatched to the closest possible vehicle requesting destination. This alleviates queue buildup and at the same time reduces empty vehicle travel.

The dispatch and scheduling algorithm is contained within the output, input, park, and refuel macros, in which a vehicle has reached its destination and requires a new one.

The recommended algorithm to dispatch vehicles from the output stations, park area, and refuel area is the queue sizing and MDLA combination. Destinations consist of input stations, the park area and the refuel area (obviously you can not dispatch to your own location e.g. park-to-park). Because of this, before entering the D/S algorithm the fuel level must be checked and if below a prescribed level, the refuel area is assigned as destination. Similarly, after the D/S algorithm, if no destination has been chosen, the vehicle is dispatched to a park area.

The algorithm for dispatching vehicles from the input stations is the set distribution. Since the destination from an input station is always an output, distributions can

be developed which provide desired patterns.

The status of input and output stations are accounted for in the macro sequence as either in use or not in use. Since each is represented by a macro, when the station is in use no other vehicle may enter.

Other status values which are associated with each input are a buffer value and an assigned job value. The buffer value is the number of jobs that are at the input station but have not been assigned to a certain vehicle for pickup. When a vehicle is assigned the destination of a particular input (see dispatch/scheduling), one job is subtracted from the buffer value and added to the assigned job value (which is decremented when the vehicle picks up the job).

Vehicle status is "carried" by the transaction, which represents the vehicle, as it travels around the AGVS. Each vehicle is identified with a number from 1 to X (where X is the number of vehicles in the system). Fuel levels and loaded or unloaded status are also carried by each vehicle.

Parking stations are represented by macros and can be placed around the guideway as needed. Parking stations can also have a capacity which is greater than one, i.e., more than one vehicle can be in a parking station at one time.

The following data are kept track of during the simulation process and output when prompted or at the completion of the simulation:

- (1) The number of vehicle entries into each block of track, output station, input station, park

area, and refuel area and whether there are any vehicles presently in any of these.

- (2) Average time (in seconds) that the vehicle remains in each block.
- (3) Total number of vehicles blocked at a block of track for any time greater than zero, which is further broken down into the number of vehicles that were loaded and the number that were unloaded.
- (4) For the number of blocked vehicles, the average waiting times for both the loaded and unloaded vehicles (in seconds).
- (5) Status of the buffer and job waiting queues.
- (6) Vehicle fuel levels.
- (7) Status of each vehicle, either loaded or unloaded.
- (8) Total vehicle travel time (in seconds) loaded and unloaded.

CASE 1

The first AGVS studied is one that is already in existence. The design was taken from the Newark, Delaware warehouse of Avon Products Inc. as presented in the June 1983 issue of Modern Materials Handling. The AGVS is linked to an automatic storage and retrieval system, delivering inventory to order filling lanes.

Because some of the information needed to model this system was not provided by the article some of the AGVS properties were approximated by the author. Given was the guidepath length of 2,200 feet. From this value distances between possible stop areas were determined. Also given was that 80 loads were input into the system per hour. Since no

distribution was indicated the loads were allocated to the four system inputs, i.e., 20 loads input at each input station per hour. Likewise, there was no distribution of job destinations given, so each job randomly selected an output station as its destination. Since there were 10 outputs each station had a 1/10 probability of being chosen as the destination. The calculated vehicle speed, 2.3 feet/second is slower than most vehicles travel but was a convenient magnitude for the simulation. In the magazine design no park or refuel areas are shown, so the author placed each in the system at his own discretion. The purpose of the Avon study is to see the effect that the number of vehicles has on vehicle utilization, vehicle efficiency, job completion, and job analysis.

Vehicle utilization, as described by Hitchens (4), is the percentage of time that each vehicle is transporting a load in the system. This leads to system utilization being defined as

$$\text{system utilization} = \frac{\text{sum of the loaded vehicle travel time}}{\text{sum of the vehicle travel time}}$$

This equation should be further refined to include vehicle load and unload time. Input and output stations are included in the system and thus must be represented in the utilization calculation. The new system utilization would be defined as

$$\text{system utilization} = \frac{\text{total loaded travel time} + \text{total unload time} + \text{total load time}}{\text{shift length} \times \text{no. of vehicles}}$$

Hitchens (4) also describes vehicle efficiency as the percentage of time that a vehicle, with a job to do, is in motion. The system efficiency is defined as

$$\text{system efficiency} = \frac{\text{sum of loaded vehicle travel time} - \text{sum of loaded vehicle waiting time}}{\text{sum of loaded vehicle travel time}}$$

Since efficiency is an indicator of system blockage, Hitchens' approach must be further defined to include cars which are travelling empty to reach new loads. This would give a truer indication of system congestion. The new system efficiency equation would be defined as

$$\text{system efficiency} = \frac{\text{sum of vehicle travel time} - \text{sum of vehicle waiting time}}{\text{sum of vehicle travel time}}$$

Job completion, which is self explanatory, is the other factor studied in the Avon case. It must be studied, for if you are not processing the workload, utilization and efficiency calculations are useless.

Blocks, the signalling device used in the AGVS, can be varied and the effects on the system monitored. Blocks are

sections of track which allow only one car to enter at one time. By varying the block lengths, fluctuations should be seen in the utilization, efficiency, and possibly job completion rate.

It should be noted that the Avon system is but one type of AGVS configuration. All of the inputs are placed at one end of the system and the outputs at the other end. Because of this the dispatch and scheduling algorithm was not used except to check for refuelling or park assignments. The vehicles were assigned input stations and output station at random. Since no load or unload times were given 60 seconds was used for each.

The Avon system, see Figure 1, is linked with an automatic storage and retrieval system. This is why the inputs are centralized at one end of the AGVS and the outputs at the other end. The park and refuel areas were placed at the input end of the system. A distance matrix was not used in the Avon AGVS because of this opposite end destination setup. The refuel area placed in this model is optional since its system effects can be determined after the simulation.

There are four inputs, 10 outputs, one park area and one refuel area in the Avon AGVS. It takes 60 seconds to load or unload a job from a vehicle. Each input is preloaded with four jobs as the modeling process begins and a new job is created at each input station every three minutes (calculates to 80 jobs input to the system per hour). Destination of these jobs are randomly chosen from

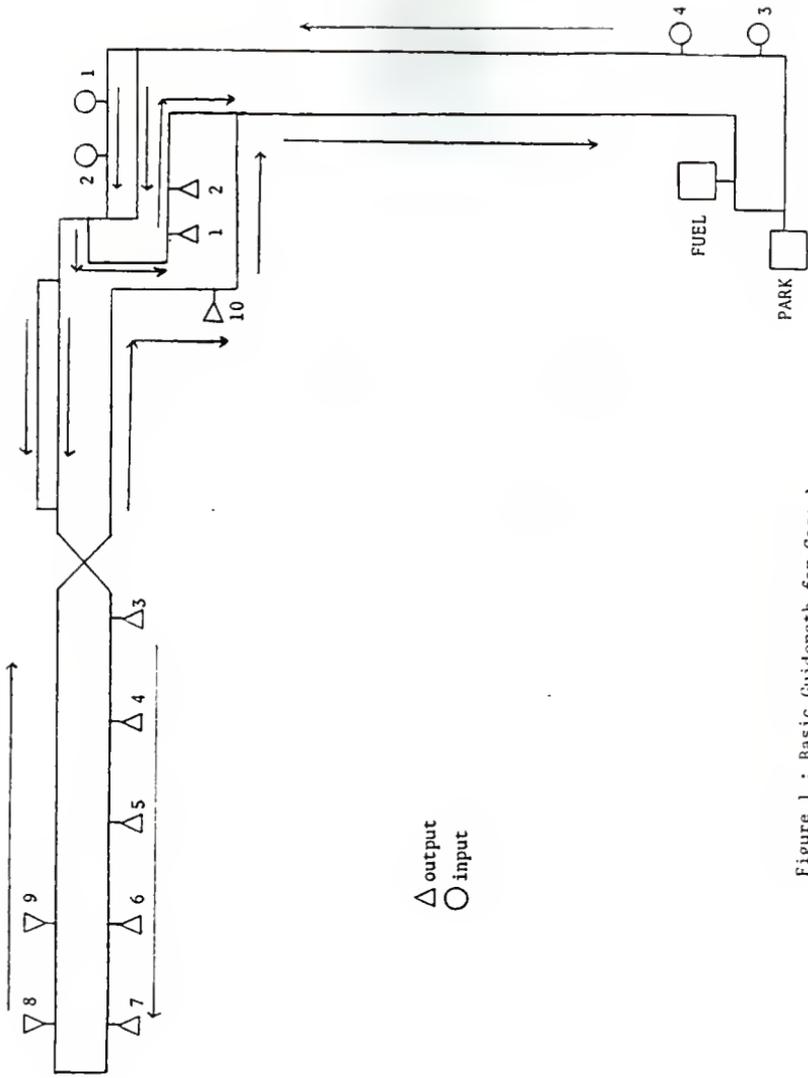


Figure 1 : Basic Guideway for Case 1.

the 10 outputs.

Vehicles take 10 seconds to refuel (represents exchanging of battery) and each battery has a capacity of 5000 seconds travel time. When the battery level goes below 1000 seconds the next destination assignment is the refuel area. There is no limit on the park area capacity. Measurement of time spent in the park area is important for it represents possible work time that is lost because of no demand. The refuel area also has no capacity limit and as many vehicles needing refuelling are allowed in at one time.

For study of system utilization, system efficiency, and job completion rate, the number of vehicles in the system was incremented from 3 to 11. With each specified number of vehicles the system was run for five shifts of eight hours each. The shifts were run back to back with each vehicle starting a new shift at the location it was in at the end of the previous shift.

The measurements of system utilization can be seen in Figure 2. As the number of vehicles was decremented, system utilization increases by relatively equal steps between 11 vehicles and 6 vehicles. For 3, 4, and 5 vehicles system utilizations are, in essence, equal. The vehicles (at levels 3, 4 and 5 vehicles) are in constant use and are being utilized to the maximum of their capabilities.

The leveling off observed in Figure 2 is due to the pre-loading of the system. During shift one, not only did the vehicles have to complete the standard number of jobs input the system but also the 16 jobs that were queued up at the

CASE 1: SYSTEM UTILIZATION PER SHIFT

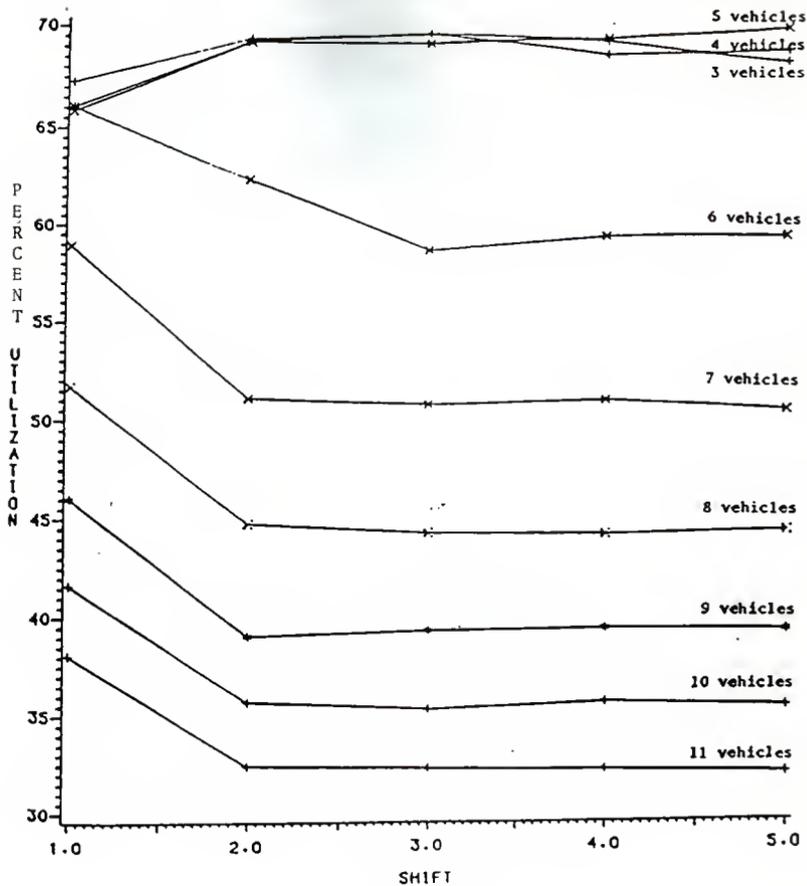


FIGURE 2.

input stations as the simulation began.

From Figure 3, system utilization is averaged over all five shifts for each level of vehicles. The difference between the averages can be explained by two factors. The first factor, which causes decreased utilization, is that if there are more vehicles in the system, jobs are handled more quickly with minimal job pickup waiting time. This provides the vehicles with "free time", which is spent in the park area. As stated before, time spent in the park area is not considered work and thus detracts from utilization. This factor is called the vehicle's "added reserve capacity" and describes that vehicles ability to handle more jobs per hour.

The second factor, which also detracts from system utilization, is increased waiting time caused by the addition of more vehicles to the system. By increasing the number of vehicles the AGV path becomes congested and blocking occurs. The waiting time is not considered work and thus not factored into system utilization. This factor is called "additional congestion".

Figure 3, shows that once you get to five vehicles there is no difference in the average utilization as vehicles are removed from the system. This indicates that there is no added reserve capacity or additional congestion when the system is run with 3, 4, or 5 vehicles.

When the number of vehicles is increased from five, there is a decrease in utilization as each vehicle is added. As more vehicles are added not only is the reserve capacity

CASE 1: AVERAGE SYSTEM UTILIZATION PER CAR

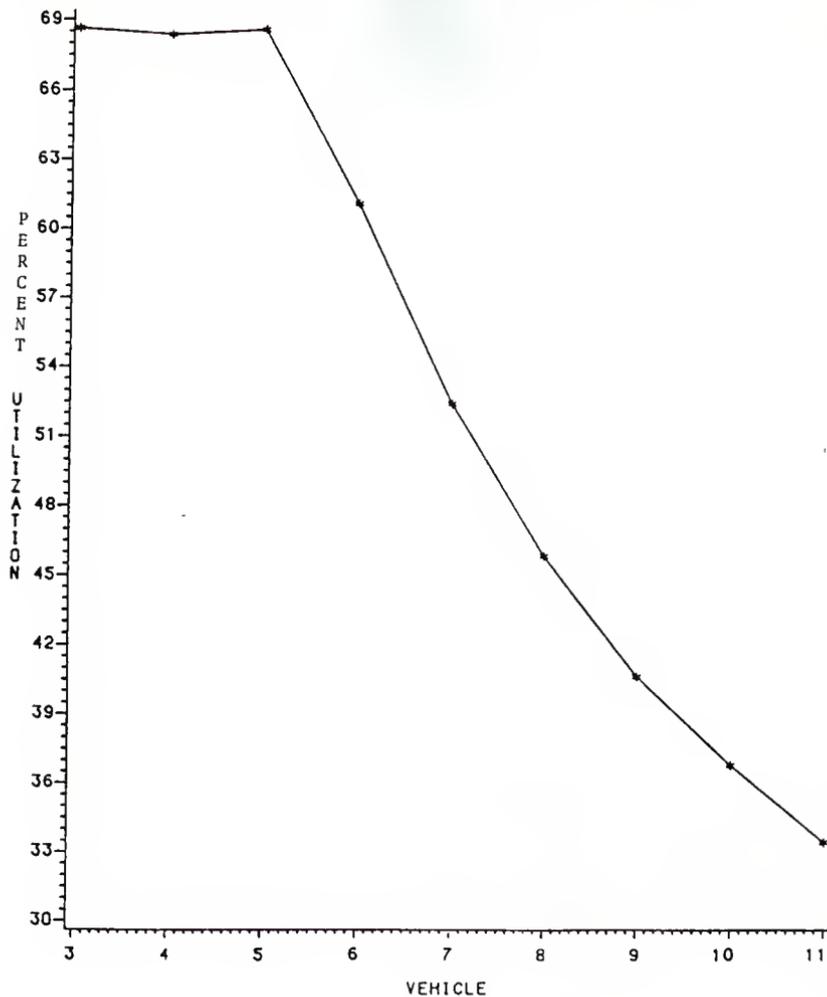


FIGURE 3.

increased (more vehicles do more jobs) but so is additional congestion (more vehicles, more blocking) (see Table 1).

The measurements of system efficiency can be seen in Figure 4. As with system utilization, system efficiency increases as the number of vehicles decreases. The values plotted in Figure 4 are cumulative efficiency. For 8, 9, 10, and 11 vehicles the system efficiency levels off at values that are banded within a range of 1.5%. This indicates that with eight or more vehicles the system runs at basically the same efficiency. All are putting the same number of vehicles into the system to process the input load rate. Whenever there is a call from an input to do a job, a vehicle is promptly dispatched with no job pickup waiting besides the travel time to the input. With this many vehicles there is always at least one in the parking area waiting for dispatch.

As the number of vehicles is decreased the efficiency increases. Because there are fewer vehicles in the system, waiting time is reduced. For 7 vehicles there is a jump of 2% from the group of 8, 9, 10, and 11 vehicles. For 6 there is an increase of over 2% from 7 vehicles.

As can be seen from Figure 5, from 6 vehicles to 3 vehicles the slope of the efficiency increase is less than from 11 to 6 vehicles. This indicates that the waiting time is not dramatically reduced by removing a vehicle from the system at this point.

<u># of vehicles</u>	<u>average wait time</u>	<u>average park time</u>
3	71.4	0
4	143.2	0
5	176.0	0
6	315.2	2137
7	543.8	5424
8	738.0	8751
9	825.0	12116
10	790.0	15763
11	880.2	19107

Table 1: Average wait and park time - seconds per shift

CASE 1: SYSTEM EFFICIENCY PER SHIFT

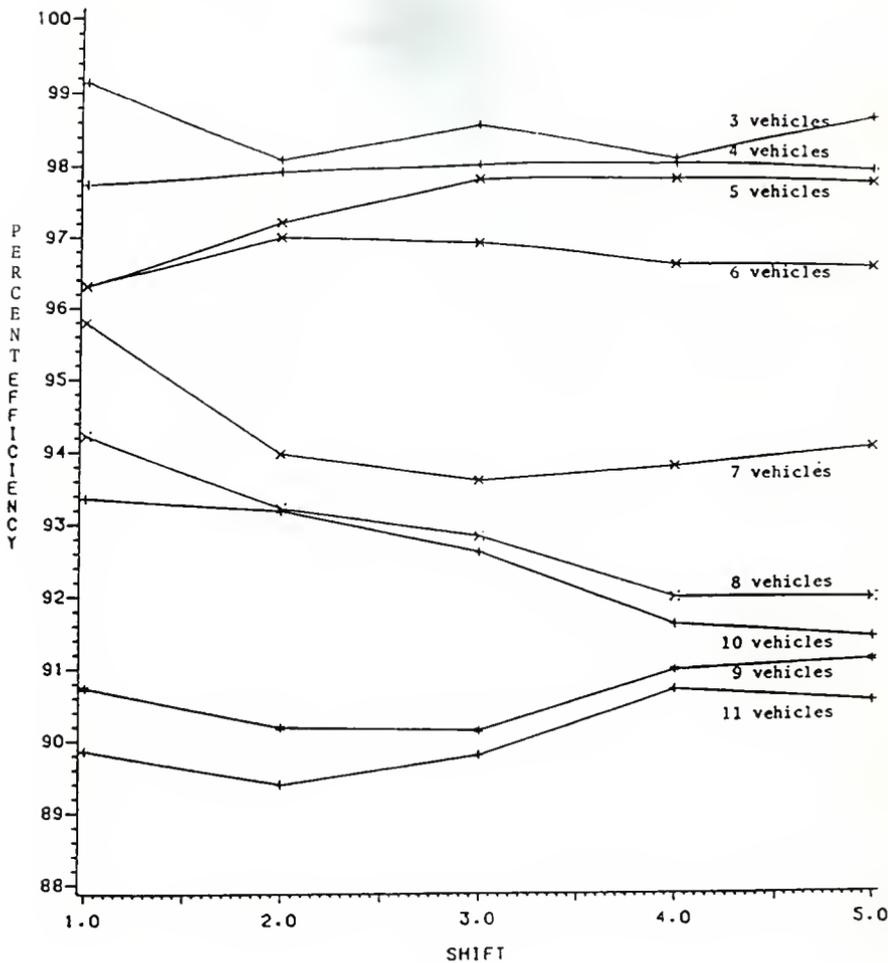


FIGURE 4.

CASE 1: AVERAGE SYSTEM EFFICIENCY PER CAR

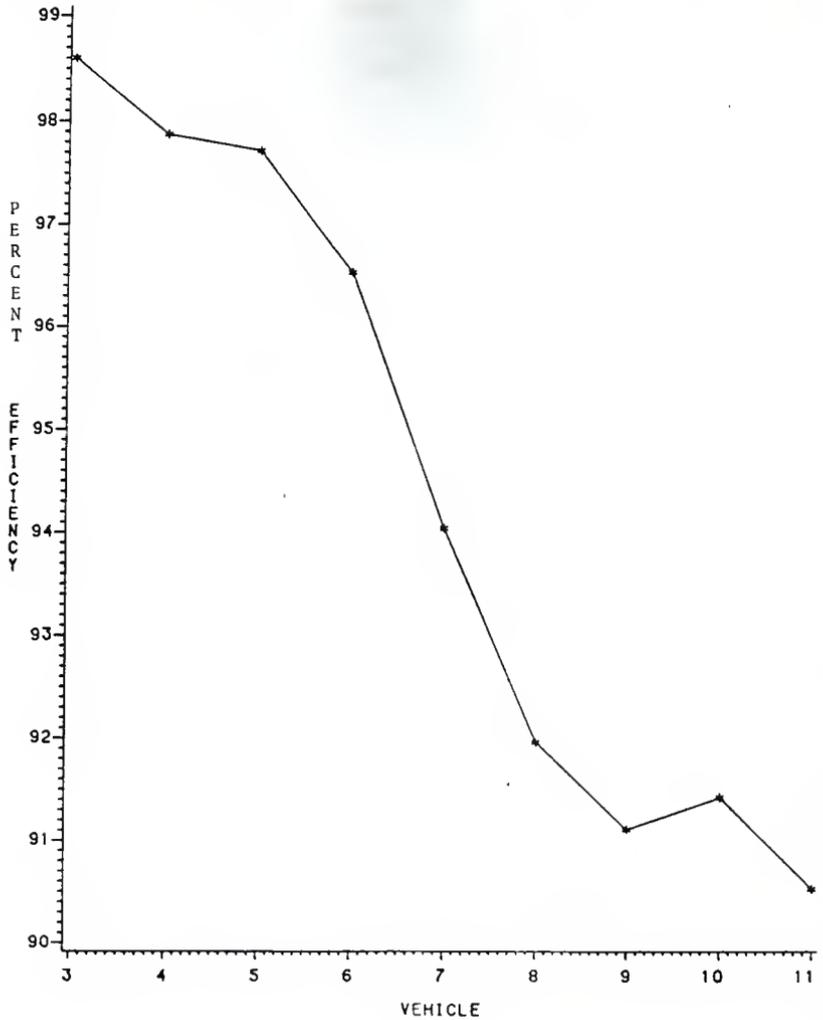


FIGURE 5.

For a system with 3, 4, or 5 vehicles, the vehicles are being utilized to their maximum, hence waiting time is kept at a minimum. The system efficiency range at this level is less than 1%. By increasing the number of vehicles to 6 the system efficiency is reduced just over 1%. Then larger drop-offs in efficiency occur until after 8 vehicles the efficiency levels off because the system will use only a certain number of vehicles at one time to process loads.

Jobs completed per shift is, of course, the ultimate goal of any system. A job completion rate must be met, in this case 80 jobs per hour. As would be expected, as the number of vehicles are increased the number of jobs completed increases. As Figure 6, shows 3 or 4 vehicles could not handle the load of 80 jobs per hour. Five vehicles are marginally enough, being able to complete 80 jobs in one of its shifts. For a system with 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, or 11 vehicles the job completion rate of 80 jobs per hour is easily met.

By pre-loading the system with sixteen jobs, the capacities of systems with a different number of vehicles can be checked. As would be expected with 3, 4, or 5 vehicles the system is running at maximum capacity and there is no drop in number of jobs done over the length of the simulation. But with six or more vehicles the capacity is much higher than 80 jobs per hour (from 92 jobs for six vehicles to at least 102 jobs for 11 vehicles).

Figure 7 shows the average number of jobs completed by each of the levels. It clearly shows the point at which

CASE 1: JOBS COMPLETED PER SHIFT

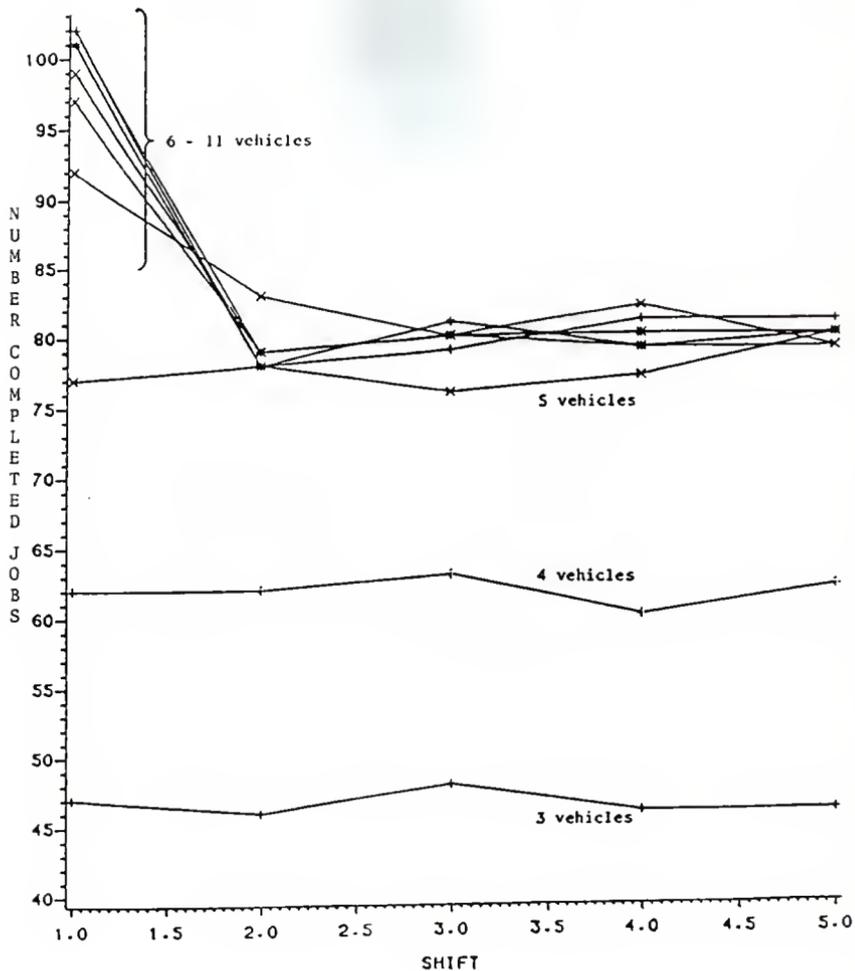


FIGURE 6.

CASE 1: AVERAGE JOBS COMPLETED PER CAR

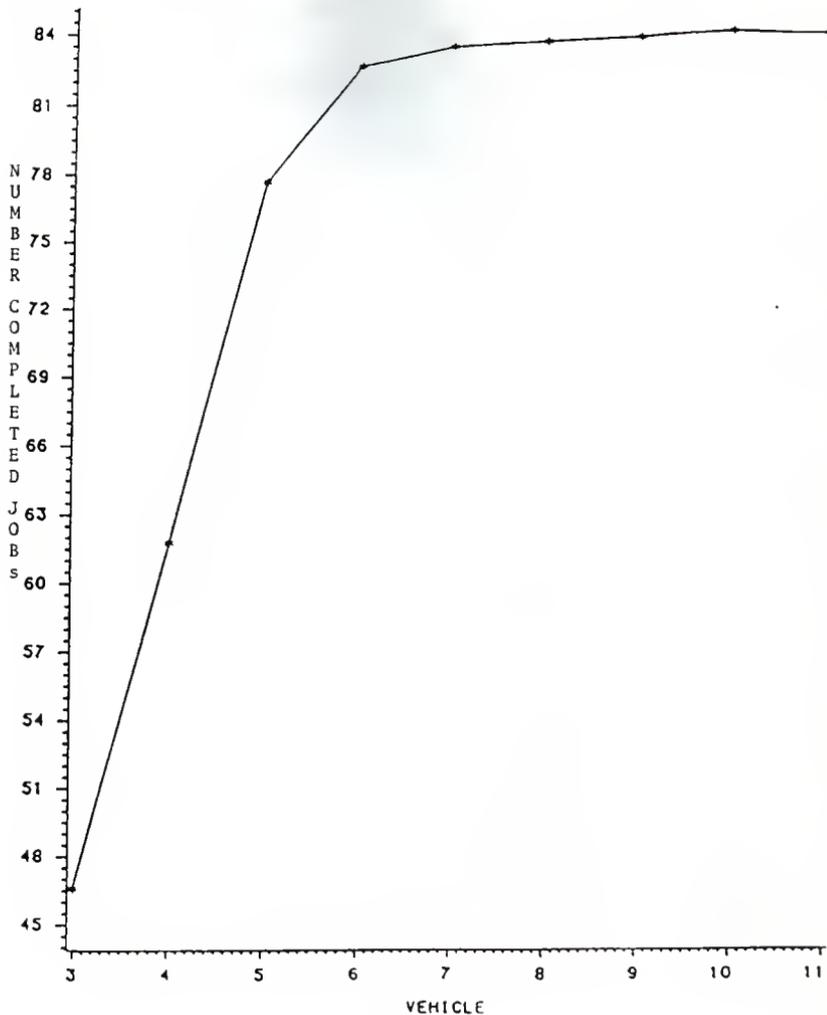


FIGURE 7.

there are enough vehicles to process the system load.

For the study of block sizing 5 and 6 vehicles were run in the simulation. Block sizing analysis consists of varying the maximum size of the travel blocks which only one vehicle can occupy at one time. There are three different block sizes used in this analysis. The first size was the maximum possible sized blocks for this system. The maximum block travel time in this case is 24 seconds and there were a total of 41 blocks. The second case set the maximum block size at 14 seconds travel time and there were a total of 50 blocks. The third case set the maximum block size at seven seconds and there were a total of 70 blocks. The basic concept is the greater the number of blocks the smaller the waiting time in the system. The simulation was run for 10 shifts and the effects of block sizing were monitored on system utilization, system efficiency, and job completion.

The effects of block sizing on system utilization can be seen in Figure 8 for 5 vehicles and Figure 9 for 6 vehicles. For 5 vehicles the largest difference in block system utilization is 2.37% at any one shift and the different block sizes follow the same general pattern over the 10 shifts. For 6 vehicles the system utilization is effectively the same for all three block sizes. A possible explanation for the variability of block system utilization for 5 vehicles, as compared to 6 vehicles, is that there was no added reserve capacity. For 6 vehicles there was added reserve capacity which could be put into use when the number of blocks was decreased and waiting time increased.

CASE 1: BLOCK UTILIZATION FOR FIVE CARS

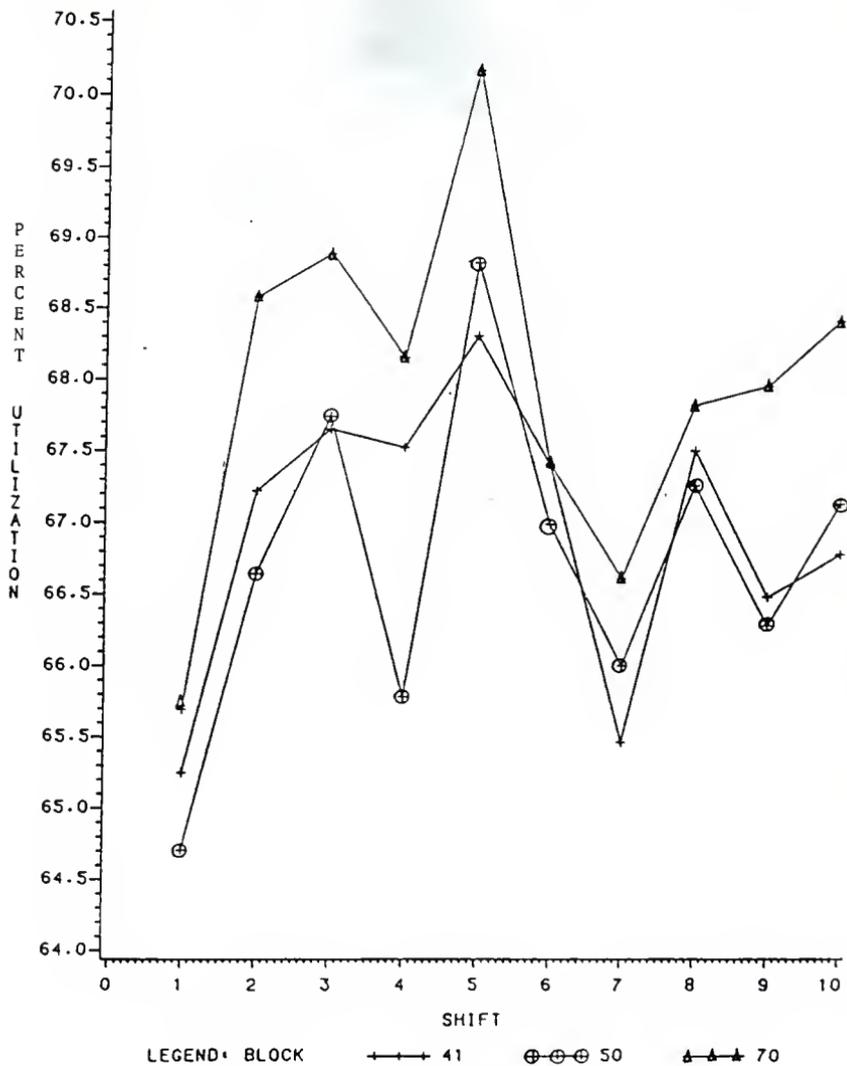


FIGURE 8.

CASE 1: BLOCK UTILIZATION FOR SIX CARS

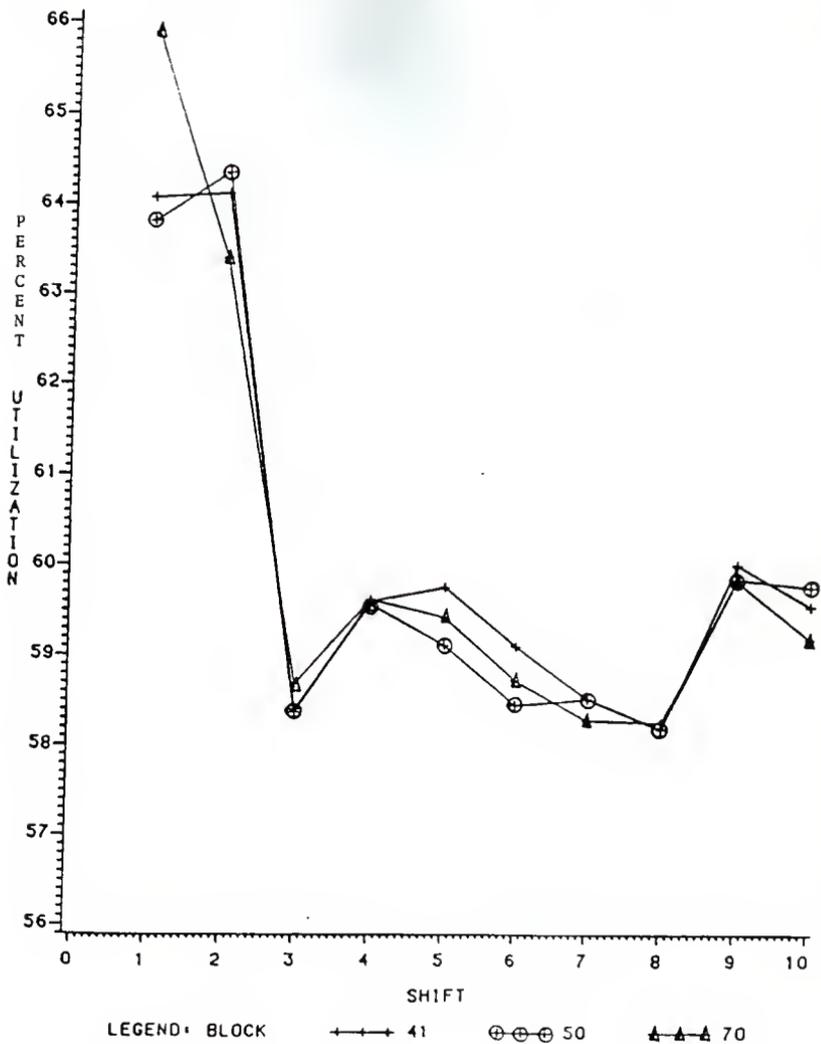


FIGURE 9.

This is further substantiated by seeing the effect block sizing has on system efficiency for 5 vehicles in Figure 10 and six vehicles in Figure 11. For both 5 and 6 vehicles there is a small difference in efficiency between the 70 and 50 block runs (70 block having the higher efficiency in both cases). But when the block number was reduced to 41 the efficiency drop was dramatic in both cases. With longer blocks, there is more waiting time and since a 5 vehicle system has no reserve capacity to make up for lost waiting time the system utilization is not constant. But a 6 vehicle system has reserve capacity to make up for this lost waiting time and hence system utilization remains constant. The waiting time for a 6 vehicle system, in larger blocks, is the time spent in the area in smaller sized blocks.

This explanation is also appropriate for the block sizing effect on job completion seen in Figure 12 for 5 vehicles and Figure 13 for 6 vehicles. For 5 vehicles fluctuation in job completion is experienced for different block sizes, while for 6 vehicles the job completion rate remains relatively constant for different block sizes. The largest variation for a system run with 5 vehicles is five jobs between block size for any one shift and for a 6 vehicle system it is two jobs. Again the explanation is that if during a shift an excessive time is spent in waiting for blocks to become empty, a 5 vehicle system has no reserve capacity to make up the difference and hence fewer jobs are processed. But a 6 vehicle system has reserve

CASE 1: BLOCK EFFICIENCY FOR FIVE CARS

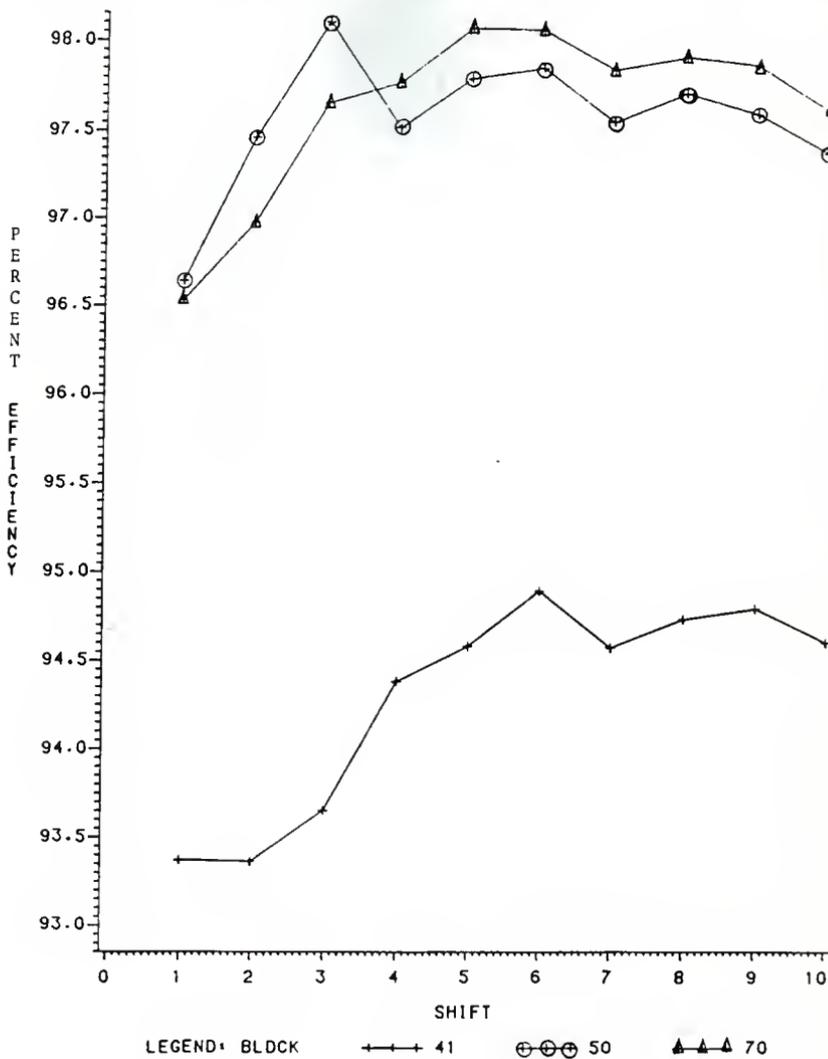


FIGURE 10.

CASE 1: BLOCK EFFICIENCY FOR SIX CARS

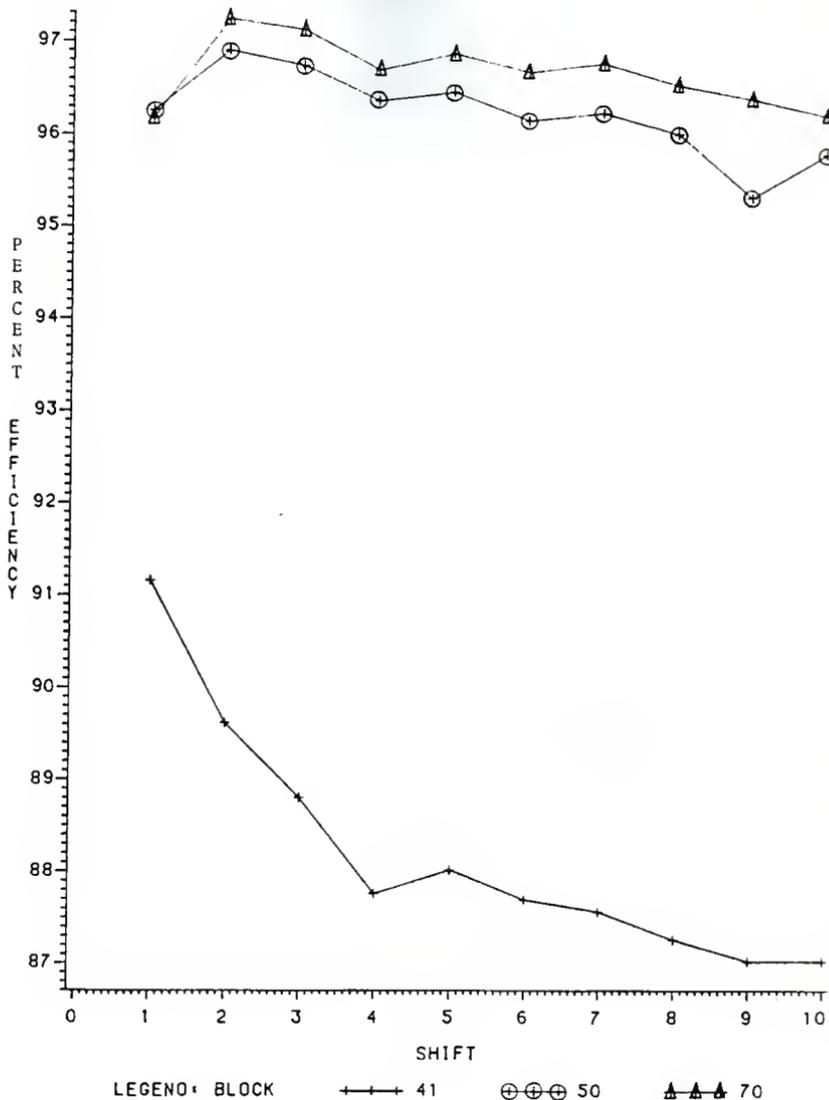


FIGURE 11.

CASE 1: BLOCK JOBS FOR FIVE CARS

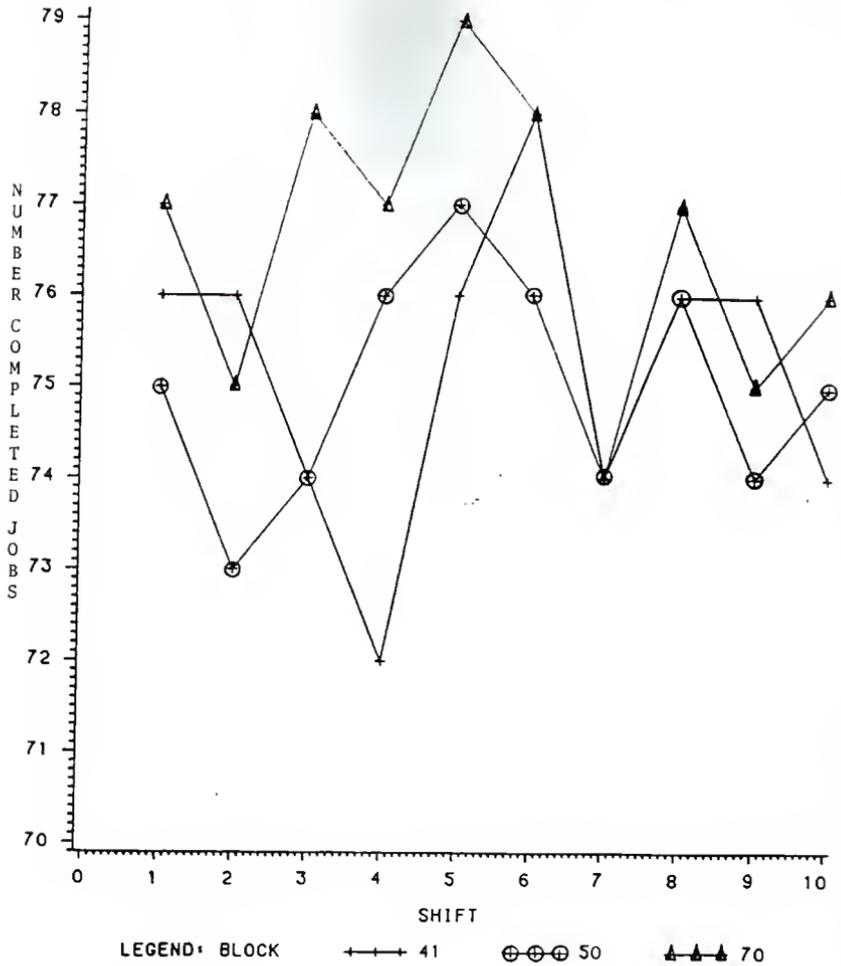


FIGURE 12.

CASE 1: BLOCK JOBS FOR SIX CARS

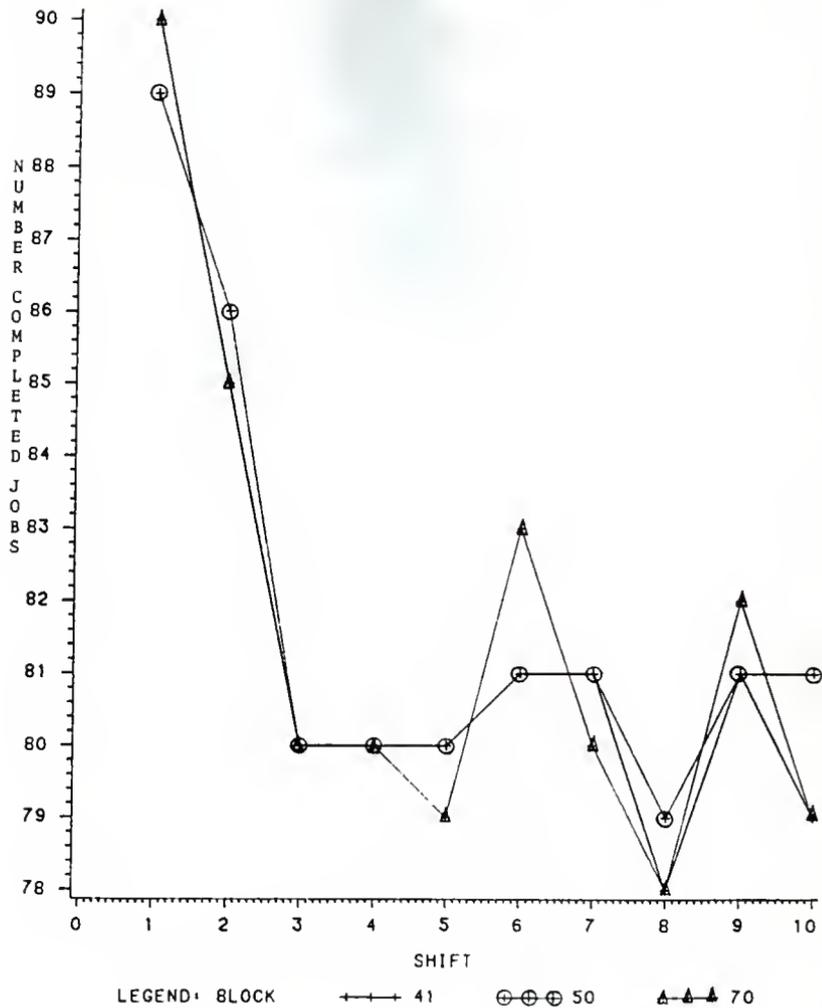


FIGURE 13.

capacity and can make up for lost waiting time and thus process the required jobs.

To investigate the reserve capacity hypothesis, waiting times per shift were plotted for 5 (Figure 14) and 6 vehicles (Figure 15) at the different block sizes. The difference in the waiting time graphs are obvious. The 6 vehicle system waiting times are clearly defined and separated while in the 5 vehicle system the different block size waiting times are intertwined. This is because there is an extra vehicle in the 6 vehicle system and more blockage occurs as the number of blocks is decreased. On the other hand the 5 vehicle system has one less vehicle and thus is less affected by the decrease in the number of blocks.

In Figure 16, system utilization is plotted versus waiting time for the 5 vehicle system and regression lines fitted to the points for each block size. There is a definite linear relationship that shows that when waiting time is increased utilization decreases. This is explained by the lack of reserve capacity for 5 vehicles. The presence of reserve capacity for 6 vehicles allows the system utilization (Figure 9) to remain constant even though the waiting time varies from 160 seconds/shift for the 70 block system to 1360 seconds/shift for the 41 block system.

In Figure 17, completed jobs are plotted versus waiting time for the 5 vehicle system and a regression line fitted to the points for each block size. There is a linear relationship that showing that as waiting time is increased

CASE 1: BLOCK WAITING TIME FOR FIVE CARS

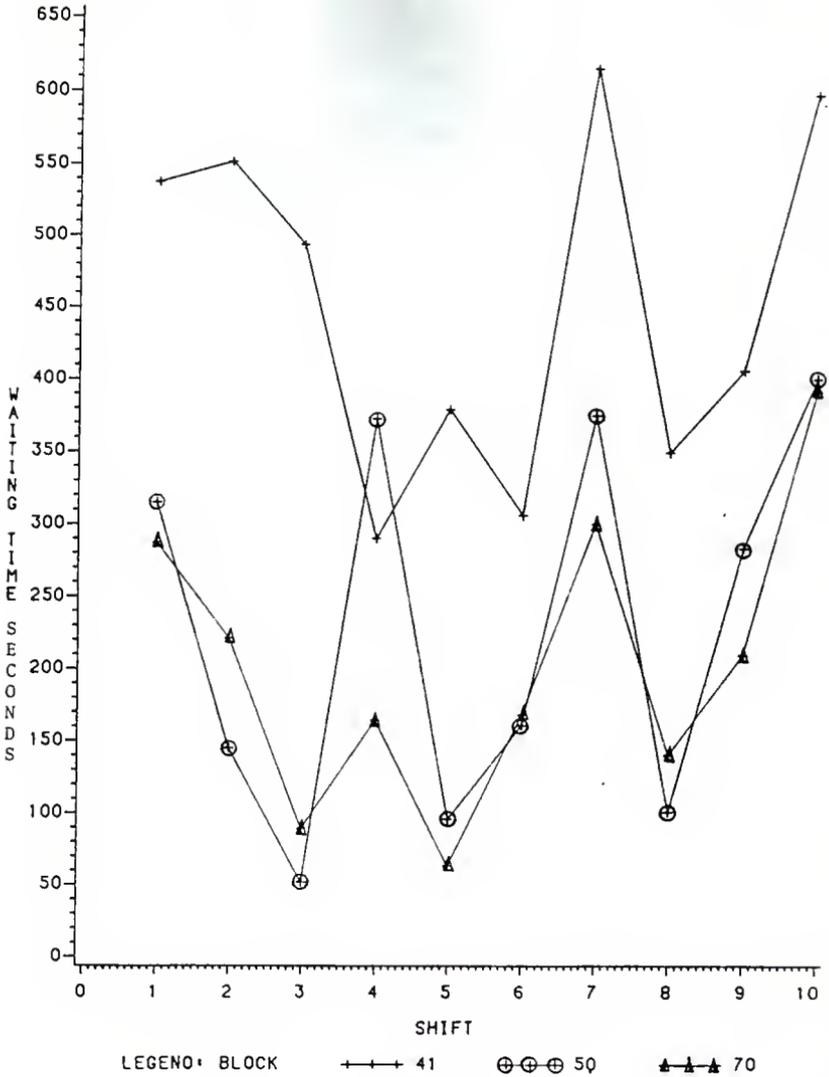


FIGURE 14.

CASE 1: BLOCK WAITING TIME FOR SIX CARS

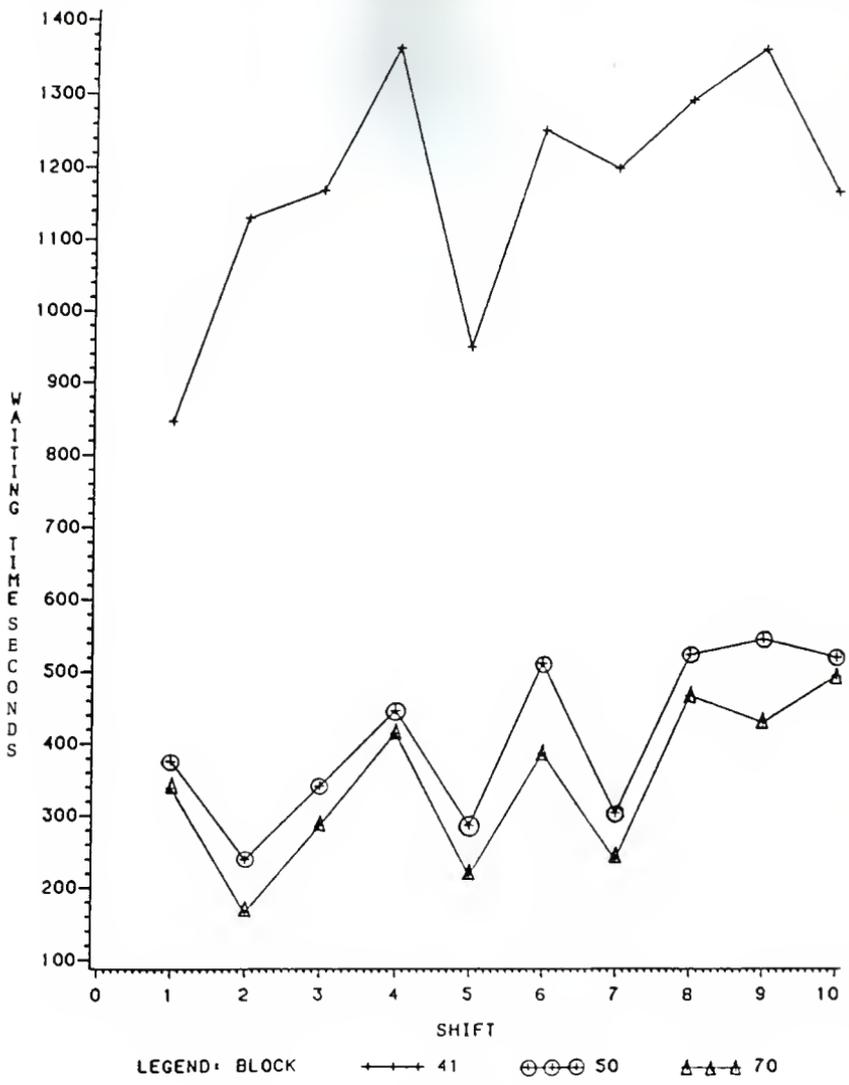


FIGURE 15.

CASE 1: UTILIZATION -VS- WAITING TIME

FIVE VEHICLES

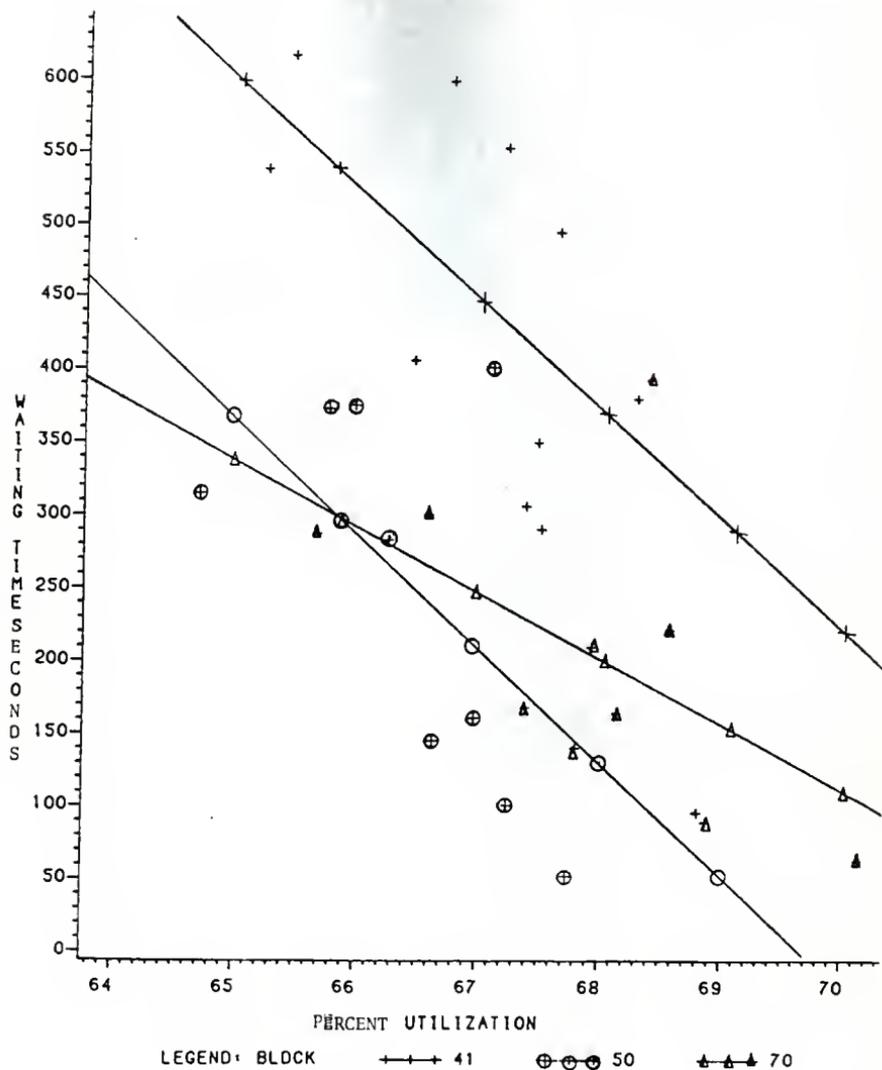


FIGURE 16.

CASE 1: JOBS -VS- WAITING TIME

FIVE VEHICLES

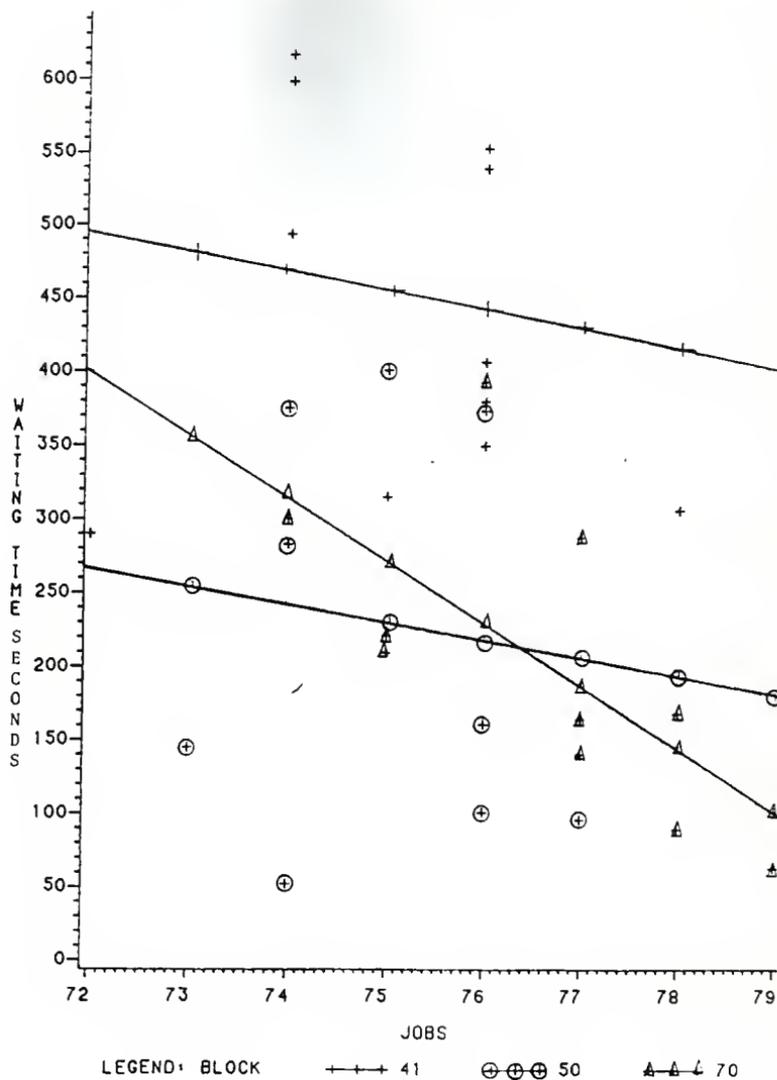


FIGURE 17.

the number of jobs completed decreases. Again the explanation is the lack of reserve capacity to compensate for the lost time to waiting. Job completion (Figure 13) remains constant for 6 vehicles for all block sizes as its reserved capacity is able to make up for the lost time to waiting and complete the shift loads.

The overall conclusion is that the reserve capacity regulates the effect that blocking has on the total performance of a system. The lack of reserve capacity combined with a reduction in the number of blocks causes a decline in system efficiency plus a loss in system utilization and jobs completed. Likewise, the availability of reserve capacity permits the reduction of the number of blocks with no adverse effect, although a drop in efficiency is experienced, on system utilization or jobs completed.

CASE 2

The second AGVS studied is one that has yet to be installed by a local manufacturer. There was no guidepath although a blueprint of the manufacturing workplace was provided. This included the position of all inputs and outputs. Also provided was a "from-to" chart which tells the number of jobs going from any particular input to any particular output per shift. Vehicle speed, input time, and output time were also provided. No park area was designated so the author placed one at his own discretion. A refuel area was not included for its effects were not desired for this study. The purpose of Case 2 is the development of a procedure to create a workable AGVS. The concepts developed to do this are:

- (1) loadfeet directioning
- (2) vehicle estimating
- (3) cutoff implementation
- (4) block division.

Through these procedures reduction in the number of vehicles will be achieved along with increased utilization and efficiency.

Loadfeet directioning, which is a pre-simulation procedure, is the decision making process on which direction the traffic should flow on a AGV circuit. After a simple guidepath has been proposed (usually by connecting all inputs and outputs with a straight line configuration), the first step is to cut up the guidepath into separate sections between decision points (input stations, output stations,

turnoffs, etc.). The flow of jobs is calculated across each section for all possible traffic patterns. The flow of jobs for each section is multiplied by its section length and summed over the whole system for each particular traffic pattern. The resulting value is in units of load-feet. The sums for each of the traffic pattern are compared and the one with the smallest value is adopted as the traffic pattern.

Vehicle estimation, also a pre-simulation procedure, is the prediction of the range of the number of vehicles needed to handle the AGVS load. A "from-to" chart for the AGVS is needed to complete this procedure. The number of loads per shift moved from each input to each output is multiplied by the distance between them and summed over the entire system. The resulting sum is in feet per shift and it is divided by the vehicle speed (in feet per second) to obtain the total vehicle travel seconds needed per shift.

$$\text{vehicle travel} \quad \text{section distance X section load} \\ \text{seconds per shift} = \frac{\text{-----}}{\text{vehicle speed}}$$

Add this to the total number of jobs moved per shift multiplied by the load time plus the unload time and the result is the vehicle work seconds needed per shift.

$$\text{vehicle work} \quad \text{vehicle travel} + \{ \# \text{ jobs X load/unload} \\ \text{seconds per shift} = \quad \text{seconds} \quad \{ \text{per shift} \quad \text{seconds} \}$$

Convert this into minutes and divide by 8 hours per shift to obtain the number of vehicle work minutes needed per

hour.

$$\text{vehicle work} \quad \text{vehicle work seconds per shift} \\ \text{minutes per hour} \quad = \frac{\text{-----}}{(60 \text{ seconds/minute} \times 8 \text{ hours/shift})}$$

At this point Kulweic (5) suggests dividing this value by 85 which he calls the "traffic congestion factor". The "traffic congestion factor" is merely a representation of system efficiency developed in Case 1. The writer believes this is a conservative estimate and would suggest using a system efficiency of 95 percent. The vehicle work minutes per hour should also be divided by 60 minutes per hour and the result is an estimate of the number of vehicles needed when waiting time is taken into account.

$$\# \text{ vehicles needed} \quad \text{vehicle work minutes per hour} \\ \text{(waiting time included)} \quad = \frac{\text{-----}}{(\text{efficiency factor} \times 60 \text{ minutes/hr})}$$

Vehicle utilization must also be taken into account and Kulweic (5) suggests dividing this vehicle number by an "idle time factor" ranging from .6 to .8. The reader recognizes this "idle time factor" as a substitute for system utilization developed in Case 1. From the evidence previously presented the author believes this to be too liberal a utilization range and suggests the use of a range between 50 and 80 percent. The resulting is a range in which the number of vehicles needed to handle the present ABVS work requirement is included.

$$\frac{\text{range of \# of vehicles needed (including utilization)}}{\text{vehicles needed (waiting included)}} = \frac{\text{utilization range}}{\text{utilization range}}$$

Cutoff implementation is a process to determine where possible cutoffs or shortcuts are needed in the AGVS guidepaths to shorten travel distances between input stations and output stations. This is done by the analysis of area job movement. The "from-to" chart is also needed for this procedure.

The "from-to" chart is used to develop an I x J matrix where I represents the system input stations and J represents the system output stations. The number of jobs that are required to travel from a particular input (i) to a particular output (j) is placed in the matrix position represented by the values in (i,j).

The collapse of the matrix over inputs and outputs is then performed. This collapse is done by stations which are in the same general area. It is to up the user's discretion how far he or she wishes to collapse. If the matrix is not collapsed enough station job movement is represented instead of area job movement. If the matrix is collapsed too much, area job movement is eliminated by the collapsing over areas after collapsing over stations.

When the area job movement matrix is completed each value in the matrix is evaluated. First, it must be determined at what job movement value the designer wishes to have travel distance reduced. If there are only a minimal number of jobs which travel a certain route, it may not be

feasible to create a cutoff to reduce travel distance. Secondly, it must be determined, if a matrix value exceeds the designer's minimal job movement value, if the distance travelled is excessive. For some movement of jobs there is no way to reduce the distance travelled. For example, if two areas are connected by a straight section of guideway there is no cutoff that could reduce the travel distance. If the distance is deemed to be excessive and a cutoff is called for, possible solutions should be investigated to connect the two areas.

Block division is the process of determining where waiting time is occurring, and dividing these congested blocks into smaller, more efficient ones (i.e., more vehicles can occupy the same total length of the larger blocks). The macros, which were previously developed using GPSS-H, have the property of allowing only one vehicle to gain control at one time. If there is a vehicle inside a macro, other vehicles wishing entry must wait until the first vehicle departs the macro. This is representative of the blocks of track in a AGVS which allows only one vehicle to enter at one time.

In block division, the facilities, which represent these blocks of tracks within the macro, are converted to storages which have unlimited capacity. Facilities in GPSS-H have the property of allowing only one transaction (which represents a vehicle) to seize it at one time. Likewise, a storage in GPSS-H has the property of allowing

a specified number of vehicles to seize it at one time (in block division the storage capacity is infinite). The simulation yields the maximum number of vehicles requesting simultaneous occupancy of each block (storage) during the the run. This is representative of the number of vehicles which wanted to seize a block of track at one time. If this maximum is 2 or greater this indicates waiting time has been incurred. The object of the storage substitution is to take the blocks with the largest number of vehicles requesting entries and to divide them into smaller blocks.

This should be done in conjunction with the facility simulation to monitor increased efficiency. With this increased efficiency comes the beneficial increase in reserve capacity. The block division process can be repeated until the increase in efficiency is deemed not significant enough to warrant continuation. Another way is to set the maximum number of vehicles allowed in any one block and use block division until all blocks have values less than that level.

Case 2 has 18 inputs and 17 outputs. There is one park area which was positioned by the author. Vehicle travel time is 2.8 feet/second and job load and unload times are 50 seconds. Job inputs are predetermined and jobs arrive at a uniform rate.

The four guidepath concepts were applied to Case 2 and their effects measured. After each step a table is updated which shows the procedure used in Case 2. The first step was to lay down a basic guidepath. This was done as

simply as possible by connecting the inputs and outputs in a straight line configuration represented by Figure 18. Improvements on this by the removal of obstacles would have been possible but we were not at liberty to rearrange the work environment.

The guidepath was then separated into blocks between decision points. Using the "from-to" chart (see Table 2) job flow was measured across each section in both the clockwise and counterclockwise directions. These job flow totals were multiplied by the block lengths and the load-foot totals were summed for each direction (see Table 3). For the clockwise direction the system load-feet was 359,149 compared to 388,004 load-feet for the counterclockwise direction. The clockwise direction was adopted because of its smaller load-feet total.

PROCEDURAL SUMMARY 1.

step	description	dir	eff	util	veh range	needed veh	cngrtd blocks
1	loadfeet analysis	clock wise					

Vehicle estimation was then performed. The calculations are as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{total vehicle} &= \text{vehicle travel} &+ & \text{load \& unload} \\
 \text{seconds/shift} &= \text{seconds/ shift} &+ & \text{seconds/shift} \\
 &= 135240 &+ & 41400 \\
 &= 176640 \text{ seconds/shift}
 \end{aligned}$$

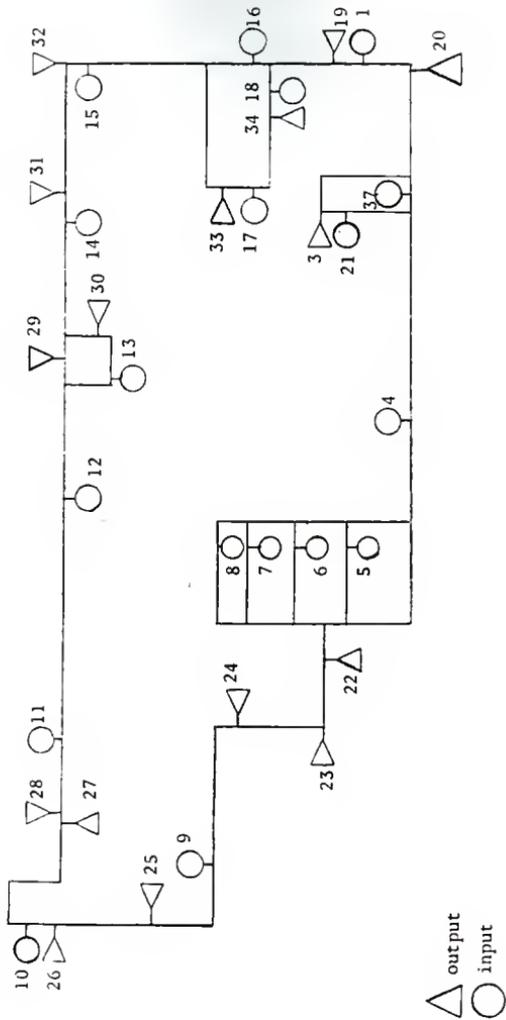


Figure 18 : Basic Guideway for Case 2.

OUTPUT

INPUT	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	
1		.8		.2		.4	.4	.4			.7	.1				3.0	
2	3.6		1.0	5.6												10.2	
3	16.2	.4		.2		.2	2.8	.2								20.0	
4	33.8	.2														34.0	
5	10.7										.1					10.8	
6	9.6															9.6	
7	10.7										.1					10.8	
8	5.2	.4	1.4	10.4	8.0			1.0			5.0	.6	12.4		1.4	45.8	
9	4.8		2.0	.6	1.6			2.1			2.8	.4	1.2		11.1	27.6	
10	.4		.2	2.2		2.4					.7	.1			4.8	11.0	
11				12.8	3.8						1.2	.1	3.8			21.7	
12	2.8	.6		2.2	3.2			.9			1.3	.2	2.2		.2	13.6	
13	4.6		.4	1.4	1.2	.2	.8	1.2		3.3			.2		.6	13.9	
14	45.2		.8	.8	9.4			.2		.4						56.8	
15	2.8															2.8	
16		5.2	16.4	24.8	21.1	.4	4.0	5.6	1.8	1.0	12.4	1.8	1.6	2.9	5.8	105.0	
17	7.8			.4			4.4	.2		3.9	.7	.1	.2			17.7	
18	.2						.2		.2	.2	.2					1.0	
	158.4	6.8	22.0	56.8	54.1	3.0	10.0	14.4	2.6	8.8	25.2	3.4	21.6	2.9	23.9	1.4	415.3

Table 2 : Case 2 From-To chart.

BLOCK	DISTANCE (FEET)	CLCKWS LOADS	CNTRCLCKWS LOADS	CLCKWS LOAD-FT	CNTRCLCKWS LOAD-FT
1	182	206.9	129.2	37674	23478
2	104	10.8	10.8	1123	1123
3	140	9.6	9.6	1344	1344
4	172	10.8	10.8	1858	1858
5	192	45.8	45.8	8794	8794
6	52	229.9	187.0	11955	9724
7	60	175.0	240.1	10500	14406
8	164	171.2	243.1	28077	39868
9	104	189.4	225.5	19698	23452
10	68	188.7	225.5	12832	15334
11	132	186.3	228.9	24592	30215
12	36	196.8	230.3	7085	8291
13	188	195.8	218.6	36810	41097
14	80	209.4	205.0	16752	16400
15	32	206.0	216.3	6602	6922
16	96	17.3	17.3	1661	1661
17	48	194.7	219.7	9346	10545
18	91	229.9	184.0	20921	16744
19	88	230.8	184.6	20310	16245
20	96	25.3	32.0	2429	3072
21	100	20.1	25.3	2010	2530
22	40	204.5	165.9	8180	6636
23	56	223.2	191.0	12499	10696
24	32	175.9	240.6	5629	7699
25	88	166.9	246.4	14687	21683
26	24	155.1	218.4	3722	5323
27	152	41.6	41.0	6232	6232
28	152	169.9	214.2	25825	36632
				359147	388004

Table 3 : Case 2 Loadfeet directioning.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{total vehicle} &= \frac{\text{total vehicle seconds per shift}}{\text{minutes/hour}} \\ &= \frac{176640}{60 \text{ seconds/minute} \times 8 \text{ hours/shift}} \\ &= \frac{176640}{60 \times 8} \\ &= 368 \text{ minutes/hour} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{vehicles} &= \frac{\text{vehicle minutes per hour}}{\text{needed (with waiting) efficiency factor} \times 60 \text{ minutes/hour}} \\ &= \frac{368}{.95 \times 60} = 6.456 \text{ vehicles} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{vehicle range} &= \frac{\text{vehicles needed (with waiting)}}{\text{needed utilization factor}} \\ &= \frac{6.456}{.5 \text{ and } .8} \\ &= 8.07 \text{ to } 12.91 \text{ vehicles} \end{aligned}$$

The range indicates that the simulation should be run with 8,9,10,11,12 and 13 vehicles.

PROCEDURAL SUMMARY 2.

step	description	dir	eff	util	veh range	needed veh	cnstgd blocks
1	loadfeet analysis	clock wise					
2	vehicle estimation				8-13		

Simulation of the system with this proposed range of vehicles using the GPSS-H macros was the next step. Eleven

vehicles was found to be the minimum number that could handle the load. The system efficiency was 91.18 indicating there were significant amounts of waiting time. The system utilization was 52.57 which is also relatively low and worth further investigation.

PROCEDURAL SUMMARY 3.

step	description	dir	eff	util	veh range	needed veh	congstd blocks
1	loadfeet analysis	clock wise					
2	vehicle estimation				8-13		
3	simulation		91.18	52.57		11	

Cutoff analysis was then applied to the system. The inputs and outputs were grouped by their relative location around the guidepath. The inputs into 5 groups and the outputs into 4 groups as shown in Table 4. A job flow matrix was developed for jobs going from a given group of inputs to a given group of outputs (see Table 4). Any matrix value with a job flow greater than 10 was considered to see if a cutoff could be made to reduce significantly the travel distance. The matrix values for which the travel distance was deemed not significantly effected by a possible cutoff were (4,1), (5,1), (3,4), (5,3) and (2,2). The matrix values for which a possible cutoff was deemed a significant reduction in travel distance were (1,1), (2,1), (4,2), (5,2), (5,3), (2,4), and (5,4). The cutoffs investigated

INPUT GROUP	OUTPUT GROUP				ROW TOTAL
	1	2	3	4	
1	55.0	7.0	4.4	.8	67.2
2	38.0	18.4	1.0	19.6	77.0
3	7.4	6.8	2.1	22.3	38.6
4	54.4	35.0	6.8	9.8	106.0
5	32.4	46.7	21.5	25.9	126.5
COLUMN TOTAL	187.2	113.9	35.8	78.4	415.3

INPUT GROUPING:

Group 1- input stations 1, 2, 3, and 4.
Group 2- input stations 5, 6, 7, and 8.
Group 3- input stations 9 and 10.
Group 4- input stations 11, 12, 13, and 14.
Group 5- input stations 15, 16, 17, and 18.

OUTPUT GROUPING:

Group 1- output stations 19, 20, and 21.
Group 2- output stations 22, 23, and 24.
Group 3- output stations 25, 26, 27, and 28.
Group 4- output stations 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, and 34.

Table 4 : Case 2 Job Flow Matrix

were to alleviate the travel distance for (1,1), (2,1), (2,4), and (5,4). The procedure to institute the cutoffs was to connect the groups of stations with straight lines but again with regard to immobile obstacles. The system with the proposed cutoffs is represented in Figure 19.

Vehicle estimation was then reperformed and the range computed was 6.30 to 10.15 vehicles. These results indicate that the simulation should be run with 6,7,8,9, 10, and 11 vehicles.

PROCEDURAL SUMMARY 4.

<u>step</u>	<u>description</u>	<u>dir</u>	<u>eff</u>	<u>util</u>	<u>veh range</u>	<u>needed veh</u>	<u>congstd blocks</u>
1	loadfeet analysis	clock wise					
2	vehicle estimation				8-13		
3	simulation		91.18	52.57		11	
4	cutoff analysis						
5	vehicle estimation				6-11		

From the resulting simulation of the modified system, 8 vehicles were found to be the minimum number that could handle the load. The effectiveness of the cutoffs is noticed immediately by the reduction of 3 vehicles needed to handle the load. System efficiency and system utilization are also increased to 92.07 and 55.45, respectively. This can be explained by the reduction of

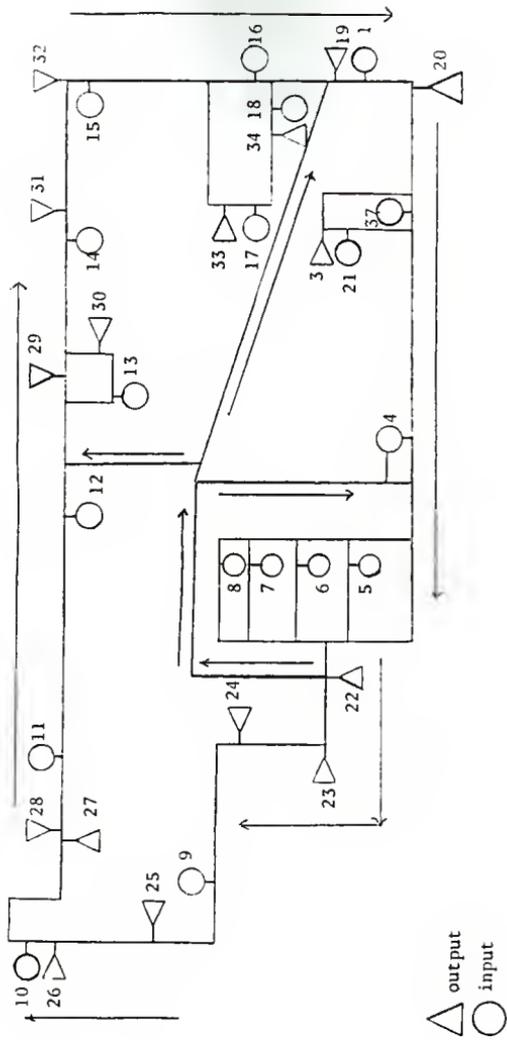


Figure 19 : Proposed Cutoffs for Case 2.

vehicles which reduces waiting time and the implementation of the cutoffs which reduces unloaded vehicle travel time.

PROCEDURAL SUMMARY 5.

step	description	dir	eff	util	veh range	needed veh	congstd blocks
1	loadfeet analysis	clock wise					
2	vehicle estimation				8-13		
3	simulation		91.18	52.57		11	
4	cutoff analysis						
5	vehicle estimation				6-11		
6	simulation		92.07	55.45		8	

The effect of block length was then investigated by using the block division technique. By running the simulation under the storage option one of the statistics available is the maximum number of vehicles in any one block at any one time. The blocks with the highest maximum vehicle count are the blocks where most of the system waiting time will occur. By dividing congested blocks into smaller blocks more vehicles can travel the congested area and hence waiting time is reduced.

The storage simulation was run and 5 blocks were found to have a maximum of 4 vehicles in them at one time (see Figure 20). The traverse time of these blocks ranged from 25 to 56 seconds. These are comparatively long blocks but unfortunately block length is not the only criterion for

waiting time. Load traffic is also an important factor. For this reason the division of blocks into an arbitrary uniform size is not recommended prior to an investigation of the waiting times. The 5 blocks, with a 4 vehicle maximum, were each cut in half forming 10 separate blocks. The facility simulation was run and the system efficiency and system utilization were increased to 97.03 and 55.70, respectively. This is an obvious increase in efficiency while the utilization remained relatively the same. This indicates that the waiting time in the system has been converted into reserve capacity. With added reserve capacity the system has the ability to accomodate an increase in loads moved and in some circumstances the reduction in the number of vehicles needed if reserve capacity is large enough.

PROCEDURAL SUMMARY 6.							
step	description	dir	eff	util	veh range	needed veh	congstd blocks
1	loadfeet analysis	clock wise					
2	vehicle estimation				8-13		
3	simulation		91.18	52.57		11	
4	cutoff analysis						
5	vehicle estimation				6-11		
6	simulation		92.07	55.45		8	
7	storage simulation						5
8	facility simulation		93.03	55.61		8	

The storage simulation was run again and 6 blocks were found to have a maximum of 4 vehicles in them at one time (see Figure 21). All the blocks were either blocks previously mentioned or one of their divisions. The traverse time for these blocks ranged from 12 to 25 seconds. It is important to notice the reduction in traverse time because although there is probably waiting time at these blocks it is shorter in length than waiting time prior to division. The tradeoff is the point where the waiting times experienced are short enough that further block divisions have no effect on the system. The congested blocks were cut in half to form two separate blocks. The facility simulation was run and system efficiency and system utilization showed a slight drop to 96.76 and 55.61, respectively. In this case the waiting times were short enough prior to the block division so that the split of the blocks had no significant effect.

PROCEDURAL SUMMARY 7.

step	description	dir	eff	util	veh range	needed veh	congstd blocks
1	loadfeet analysis	clock wise					
2	vehicle estimation				8-13		
3	simulation		91.18	52.57		11	
4	cutoff analysis						

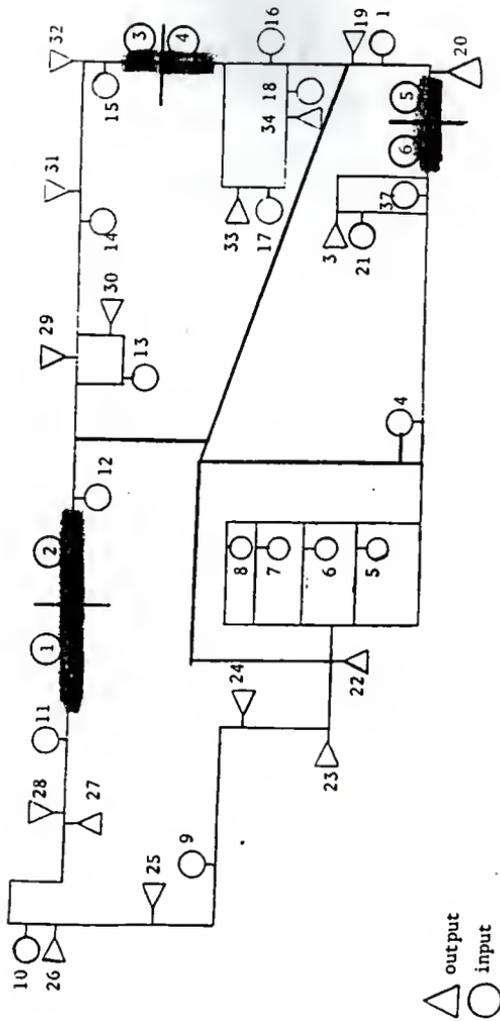


Figure 21 : Identification of Congested Blocks for 2nd Storage Run

5	vehicle estimation			6-11	
6	simulation	92.07	55.45		8
7	storage simulation				5
8	facility simulation	97.03	55.70		8
9	storage simulation				6
10	facility simulation	96.76	55.61		8

To prove further the point of levelling off of system indicators the storage simulation was run again and 5 blocks were found to have a maximum of 4 vehicles in them at one time. All the blocks were either previously mentioned or created by a block division. The blocks were split and the facility simulation was run. The resulting system efficiency and system utilization was 97.43 and 56.04, respectively. Again there was no significant change in the system indicators. Although there was waiting time at the blocks divided, it was short enough that it had no effect on the system.

PROCEDURAL SUMMARY 8.

step	description	dir	eff	util	veh range	needed veh	cngrtd blocks
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1	loadfeet analysis	clock wise					
2	vehicle estimation				8-13		
3	simulation		91.18	52.57		11	
4	cutoff analysis						

5	vehicle estimation		6-11	
6	simulation	92.07	55.45	8
7	storage simulation			5
8	facility simulation	97.03	55.70	8
9	storage simulation			6
10	facility simulation	96.76	55.61	8
11	storage simulation			5
12	facility simulation	97.43	56.04	8

From the block division process it can be seen that the only cut which had a significant effect on the system was the first. After that the blocks were short enough that additional divisions had no effect on the system. The general levelling off effect (see Figure 22) is a definite argument against arbitrary cutting up of large blocks into uniform small ones.

EFFICIENCY LEVELING FOR CASE 2

PROCESS INTERPRETATION
1=BASIC GUIDEPATH
2=CUTOFF IMPLEMENTATION
3=FIRST BLOCK REDUCTION
4=SECOND BLOCK REDUCTION
5=THIRD BLOCK REDUCTION

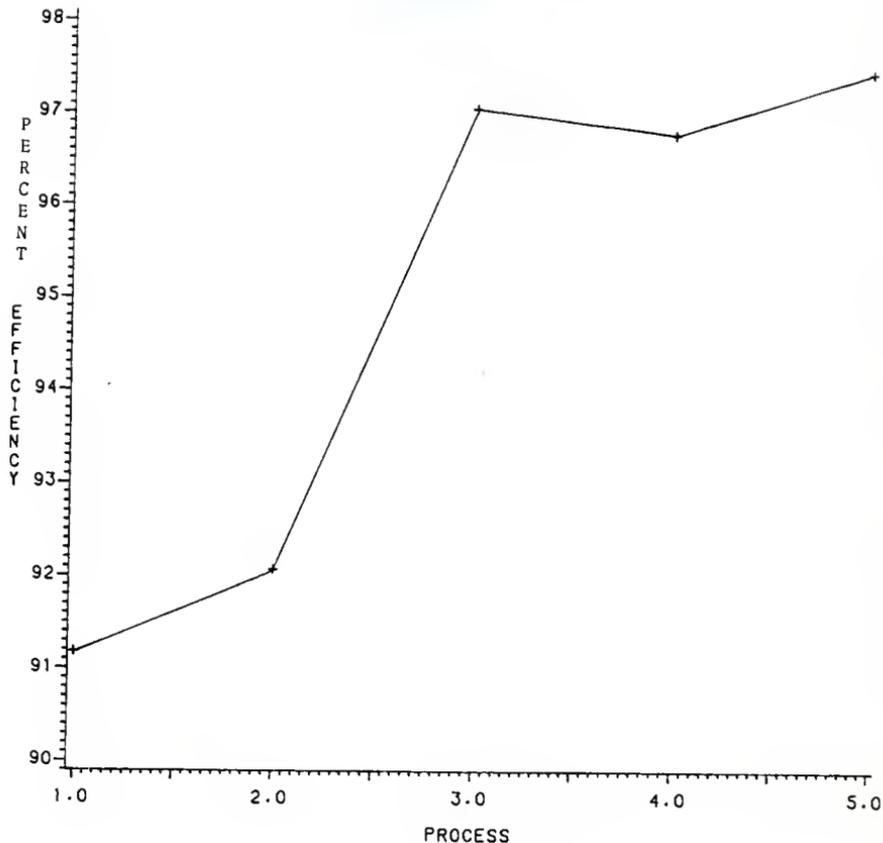


FIGURE 22.

CASE 3

The third AGVS studied is another that has yet to be installed by a local manufacturer. Again no guidepath was given but a blueprint of the manufacturing workplace (which included locations of inputs and outputs) and a 'from-to' chart was provided (see Table 5). Vehicle speed, load and unload times were the same as in Case 2 and again a park area was placed at the author's discretion.

The purpose of Case 3 is to use the concepts developed in Case 1 and the procedural techniques developed in Case 2 and apply them to a more complex manufacturing workplace in the hopes of creating a workable AGVS.

The concepts developed in Case 1 on a simple circuit were:

- (1) system utilization
- (2) system efficiency
- (3) GPSS-H simulation macros.

The procedural techniques developed in Case 2 on a simple circuit were:

- (1) loadfeet directioning
- (2) vehicle estimating
- (3) cutoff implementation
- (4) block division.

In the original layout that was provided there were 24 inputs and 26 outputs. Only one park area was placed in the system. Vehicle travel speed was 2.8 feet/second and job load and unload times were 50 seconds. Job inputs were predetermined and jobs arrived at a uniform rate.

The basic guidepath was laid with a straight line

		OUTPUT																														
		T	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	I	P		
1						1.81	1.81															1.9	1.9	7.8	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	128.4			
2				115.8																		9.1	9.1	2.7	9.1	9.1	9.1		73.1			
3																						114.4	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	22.8		
4																6.0	6.0													12.0		
5								.6															1.1	1.1	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	8.2		
6						113.7																.2	2.3	2.3	2.1	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	29.8		
7																							.2	.2	.2	.2	.2	.2	.2	1.4		
8																							.3	.3	.3	.3	.3	.3	.3	2.1		
9																							.3	.3	.3	.3	.3	.3	.3	2.1		
10				5.0																			.4	.4	.4	.4	.4	.4	.4	7.8		
11																							120.0	.6	.6	.8	.6	.6	.6	.6	24.4	
12																							173.0	2.3	2.3	2.1	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	88.9	
13						3.0			139.4														.8	.8	.8	.8	.8	.8	.8	47.2		
14																							115.0	.9	.9	.8	.9	.9	.9	.9	21.2	
15																							116.0							16.0		
16																							125.0							25.0		
17																							125.0							25.0		
18		5.8	4.7		.8	.3	1.9	8.6	.9	.9	.5	5.2	1.0	2.1	1.1	8.1	1.8	2.0	1.9	2.1				3.1					66.2			
19		5.8	4.7		.8	.3	1.9	8.6	.9	.9	.5	5.2	1.0	2.1	1.1	8.1	1.8	2.0	1.9	2.1				3.1					66.2			
20		1.7	2.1		.1		2.0	13.0	.4	.4	.2	2.3	.4	.9	2.5	2.5	1.3	.9	.9				11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4	100.0			
21		5.8	4.7		.8	.3	1.9	8.6	.9	.9	.5	5.2	1.0	2.1	1.1	8.1	1.8	2.0	1.9	2.1				3.1					66.2			
22		5.8	4.7		.8	.3	1.9	8.6	.9	.9	.5	5.2	1.0	2.1	1.1	8.1	1.8	2.0	1.9	2.1				3.1					66.2			
23		5.8	4.7		.8	.3	1.9	8.6	.9	.9	.5	5.2	1.0	2.1	1.1	8.1	1.8	2.0	1.9	2.1				3.1					66.2			
24		5.8	4.7		.8	.3	1.9	8.6	.9	.9	.5	5.2	1.0	2.1	1.1	8.1	1.8	2.0	1.9	2.1				3.1					66.2			
		36.5	18.8			77.4		104.0		5.8		33.5		13.5		79.3		12.3		188.6			40.4		40.4		40.4		1032.6			
			35.3		6.6		14.0		5.8		3.2		6.4		79.3		18.1		13.5			40.4		38.3		40.4		40.4				

Table 5 : Case 3 Froa-to chart.

configuration connecting the inputs and outputs (see Figure 23). This guidepath is more complex than the previous simple circuits studied but should follow the same principles developed earlier.

Two directional flow alternatives were considered using loadfeet directioning. Alternative 1 (see Figure 24) had a loadfeet total of 1,085,249 while Alternative 2 (see Figure 25) had a loadfeet total of 952,209 (see Table 6 for calculations). Needless to say Alternative 2 was the directional flow adopted.

PROCEDURAL SUMMARY 1.

step	description	dir	eff	util	range	needed veh	cngrd blocks
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1	general layout			(see Figure 23)			
2	loadfeet analysis	Alt. 2		(see Figure 25)			

Cutoff analysis was then applied to the system and the inputs and outputs were grouped by their relative location around the guidepath, the inputs into 6 groups and the outputs into 7 groups (see Table 7 for groupings). It should be again noted that re-design of floor obstacles was not undertaken in this study so that in some instances cutoffs that would have been otherwise advisable were deemed impossible.

A job flow matrix was developed for jobs going from any one input group to any output group (see Table 7). All the matrix values were considered for possible reduction in load

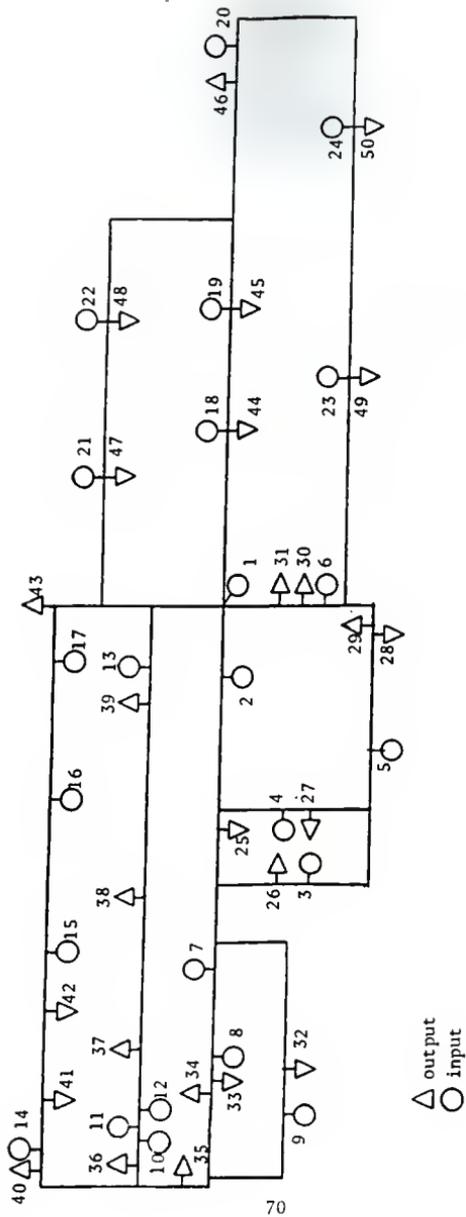


Figure 23 : Basic Guidepath for Case 3.

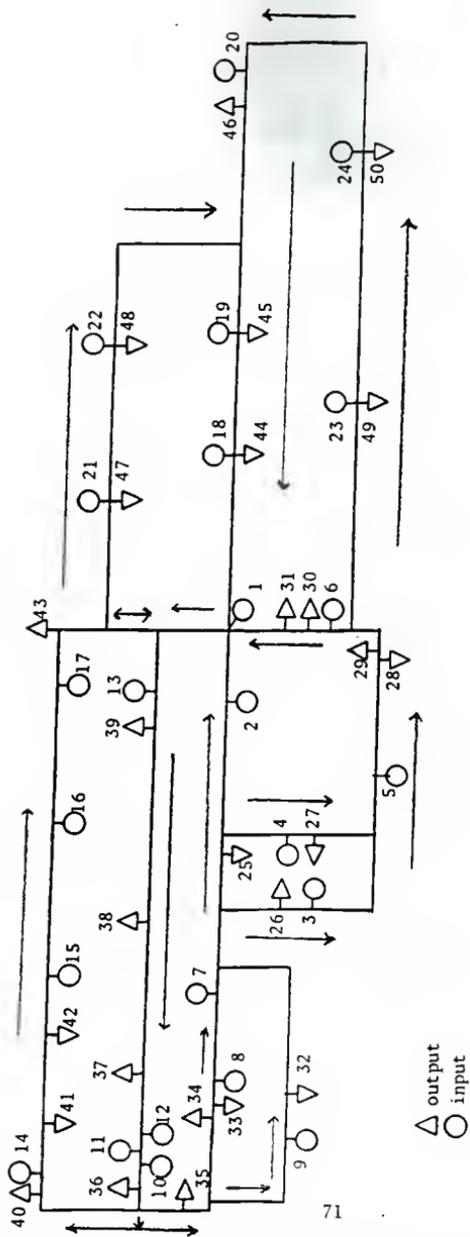


Figure 24 : Alternative 1 for Case 3 Loadfeet Directioning.

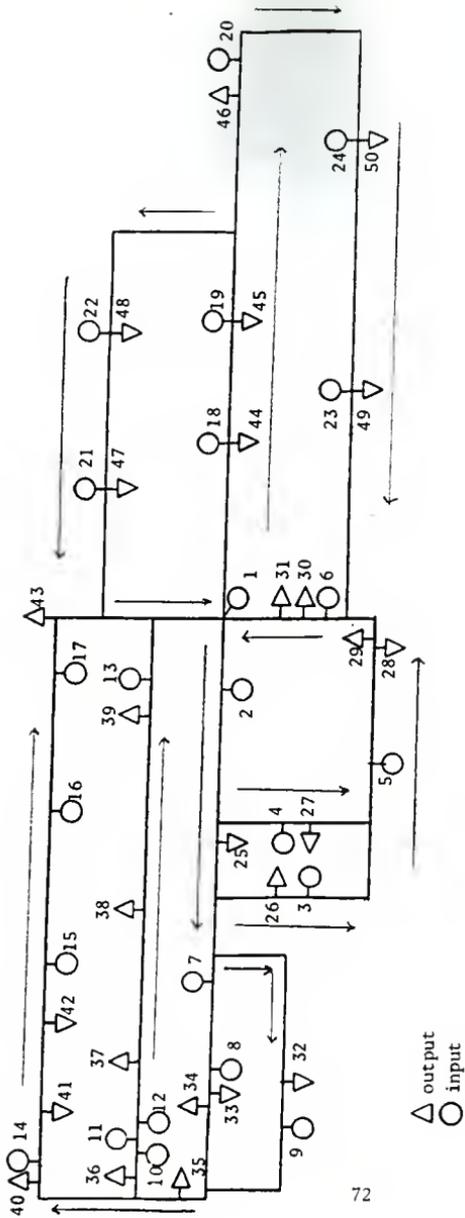


Figure 25 : Alternative-2 for Case 3 Loadfoot Directioning.

Table 6 : Case 3 Loadfeet Directioning.

BLOCK	DISTANCE (FEET)	ALT 1 LOADS	ALT 2 LOADS	ALT 1 LOAD-FT	ALT 2 LOAD-FT
0	42	128.6	190.8	5401	8014
X	18	778.2	857.7	14008	15439
5	62	133.1	556.3	8252	34491
6	116	60.0	629.4	6960	73010
7	56	18.8	179.3	1053	10041
8	18	18.8	191.3	338	3443
9	50	12.0	172.5	600	8625
10	66	288.6	22.8	19048	1505
11	50	288.6	22.8	14430	1140
12	26	265.8	-	6911	-
13	52	282.3	35.3	14680	1836
14	52	300.6	196.1	15631	10197
15	102	308.8	203.5	31498	20757
16	10	304.0	198.7	3040	1987
17	38	226.7	121.3	8615	4607
18	10	109.6	398.6	1096	3986
19	10	128.1	428.4	1281	4284
20	12	107.4	414.4	12888	4973
21	58	49.5	349.8	2871	20288
22	16	78.8	423.7	1261	6779
23	50	115.3	387.2	5765	19360
24	52	396.2	378.3	20602	19672
25	34	395.5	372.5	13447	12665
26	80	393.1	374.9	31448	29992
27	12	391.0	374.9	4692	4499
28	4	396.4	369.1	1586	1476
29	74	399.6	368.0	29570	27232
30	178	2.1	5.8	374	1032
31	40	8.3	-	332	-
32	116	6.2	2.1	719	244
33	42	405.8	370.1	17044	15544
34	32	440.3	335.6	14090	10739
35	16	603.2	184.1	9651	2946
36	12	609.6	177.7	7315	2132
37	16	601.8	185.5	9629	2968
38	15	577.4	185.5	8661	2782
39	60	488.5	274.4	29310	16464
40	128	502.0	285.3	64256	36518
41	178	581.3	206.0	103471	36668
42	18	662.6	132.7	11927	2389
43	54	613.4	173.9	33124	9391
44	102	162.9	151.5	16616	15453
45	10	144.8	133.4	1448	1334
46	46	166.0	154.6	7636	7112
47	58	153.7	142.3	8915	8253

(Table 6 continued on the next page)

Table 6 : Case 3 Loadfeet Directioning (cont.).

BLOCK	DISTANCE (FEET)	ALT 1 LOADS	ALT 2 LOADS	ALT 1 LOAD-FT	ALT 2 LOAD-FT
48	54	140.2	128.8	7571	6955
49	138	156.2	144.8	21556	19982
50	120	181.2	159.8	21744	19176
51	52	206.3	194.8	10722	10130
52	40	6.2	6.2	248	248
53	64	736.8	291.8	47155	18675
54	148	467.0	245.5	69116	36334
55	136	441.2	271.3	60003	36897
56	60	415.3	297.1	24918	17826
57	200	171.8	133.1	34360	26620
58	136	150.7	158.9	20495	21610
59	112	129.6	183.7	14515	20574
60	120	246.7	164.0	29604	19680
61	26	285.4	131.9	7420	3429
62	204	174.0	231.9	35496	47308
63	236	147.9	254.6	34904	60086
64	196	122.1	328.6	23932	64406
				1085249	952209

INPUT GROUP	OUTPUT GROUP							ROW TOTAL
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
1	-	66.0	-	-	-	-	-	66.0
2	-	15.0	-	-	-	-	6.2	21.2
3	-	93.0	-	-	-	5.0	23.1	121.1
4	-	-	-	-	-	3.0	44.2	47.2
5	-	-	-	-	1.0	-	5.6	6.6
6	43.9	14.6	19.9	158.6	48.8	166.6	318.1	770.0
COLUMN TOTAL	43.9	188.6	19.9	158.6	49.8	174.6	397.2	1032.6

INPUT GROUPING:

-
- Group 1- input stations 15, 16, and 17.
 - Group 2- input station 14.
 - Group 3- input stations 10, 11, and 12.
 - Group 4- input station 13.
 - Group 5- input stations 7, 8, and 9.
 - Group 6- input stations 1,2,3,4,5,6,18,19,20,21,22,23, and 24.

OUTPUT GROUPING:

-
- Group 1- output stations 40, 41, and 42.
 - Group 2- output station 43.
 - Group 3- output stations 36 and 37.
 - Group 4- output stations 38 and 39.
 - Group 5- output stations 32, 33, 34, and 35.
 - Group 6- output stations 25, 26, 27, 28, and 29.
 - Group 7- output stations 30, 31, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, and 50.

Table 7 : Case 3 Job Flow Matrix

travel distance with special attention given to the jobs going to output groups 2 and 7 and jobs going from input group 6. Cutoffs were suggested and the result can be seen in Figure 26.

PROCEDURAL SUMMARY 2.

step	description	dir	eff	util	range	needed veh	cngstd blocks
1	general layout				(see Figure 23)		
2	loadfeet analysis	Alt. 2			(see Figure 25)		
3	cutoff analysis				(see Figure 26)		

Vehicle estimation was then performed and the range computed was 15.91 to 25.46 vehicles. This indicates that the simulation should be run with between 15 and 26 vehicles.

PROCEDURAL SUMMARY 3.

step	description	dir	eff	util	range	needed veh	cngstd blocks
1	general layout				(see Figure 23)		
2	loadfeet analysis	Alt. 2			(see Figure 25)		
3	cutoff analysis				(see Figure 26)		
4	vehicle estimation				15-26		

A simulation was then run with the result that 20 vehicles was found to be able to handle the system load.

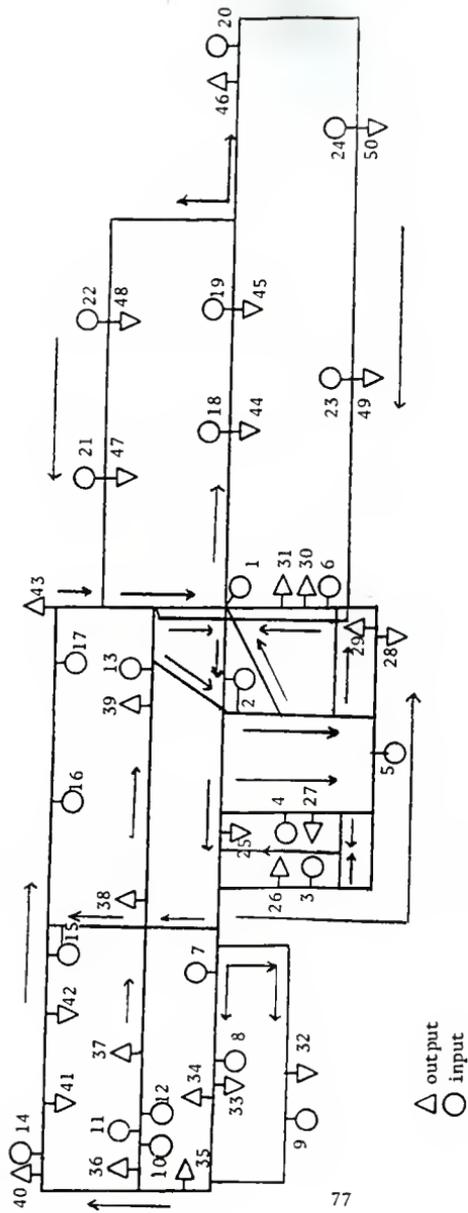


Figure 26 : Proposed Cutoffs for Case 3.

The system efficiency was 81.80 and the system utilization was 60.49. From previous indications the system efficiency is low and will increase with the use of block division.

PROCEDURAL SUMMARY 4.

step	description	dir	eff	util	range	needed veh	cngrstd blocks
1	general layout				(see Figure 23)		
2	loadfeet analysis	Alt. 2			(see Figure 25)		
3	cutoff analysis				(see Figure 26)		
4	vehicle estimation				15-26		
5	simulation		81.80	60.49		20	

Four successive block divisions were done and the final number of vehicles required was 17. The system efficiency was increased to 97.30 and the system utilization was increased to 70.96. The summary of these cuts is shown below.

PROCEDURAL SUMMARY 5.

step	description	dir	eff	util	range	needed veh	cngrstd blocks
1	general layout				(see Figure 23)		
2	loadfeet analysis	Alt. 2			(see Figure 25)		
3	cutoff analysis				(see Figure 26)		

PROCEDURAL SUMMARY 5 (cont.).

step	description	dir	eff	util	range	needed veh	congstd blocks
4	vehicle estimation				15-26		
5	simulation		81.80	60.49		20	
6	storage simulation						16
7	facility simulation		91.00	66.80		18	
8	storage simulation						17
9	facility simulation		94.99	70.34		17	
10	storage simulation						13
11	facility simulation		96.99	71.41		17	
12	storage simulation						9
13	facility simulation		97.37	70.96		17	

The reduction in the rate of increase of system efficiency and system utilization was the reason the block division process was abandoned.

Figure 27 shows the approach to steady state in system utilization after the second cut. The peak in the utilization curves indicates at what vehicle level within each cut that the system load can be handled. More vehicles than are needed produces an almost linear drop in system utilization due to overcrowding.

Figure 28 shows the attainment of steady state after a

CASE 3: UTILIZATION -VS- VEHICLE

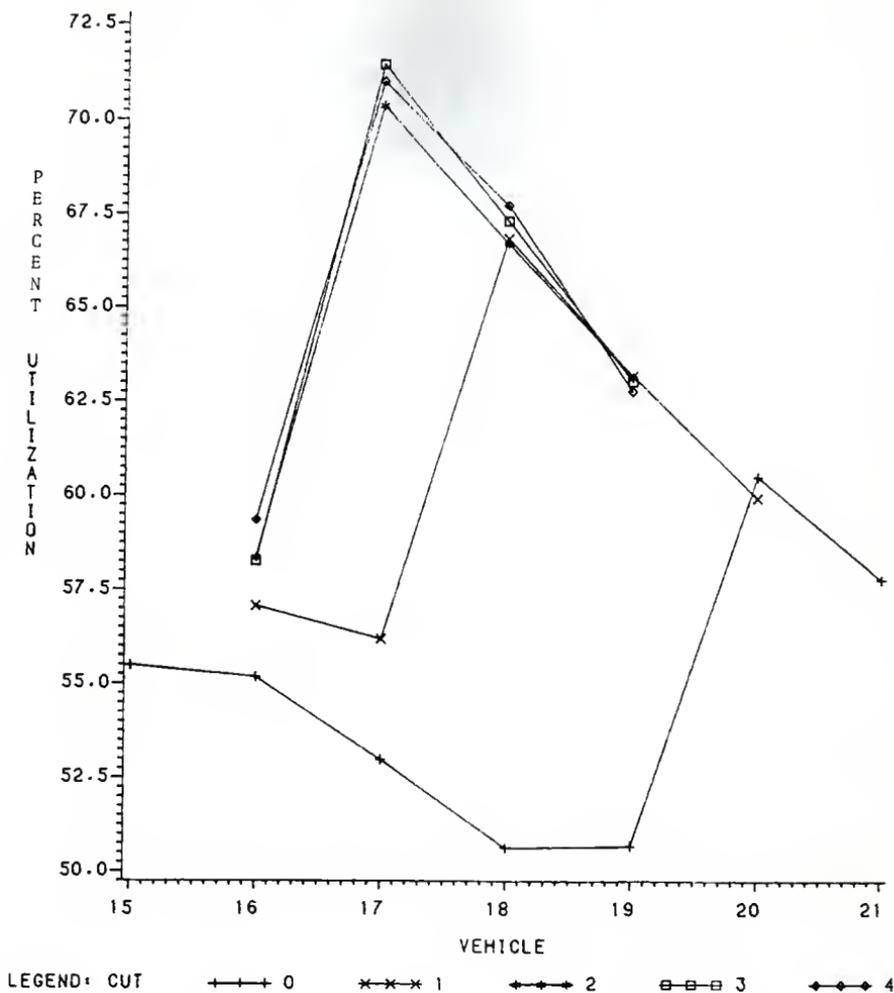


FIGURE 27.

CASE 3: EFFICIENCY -VS- VEHICLE

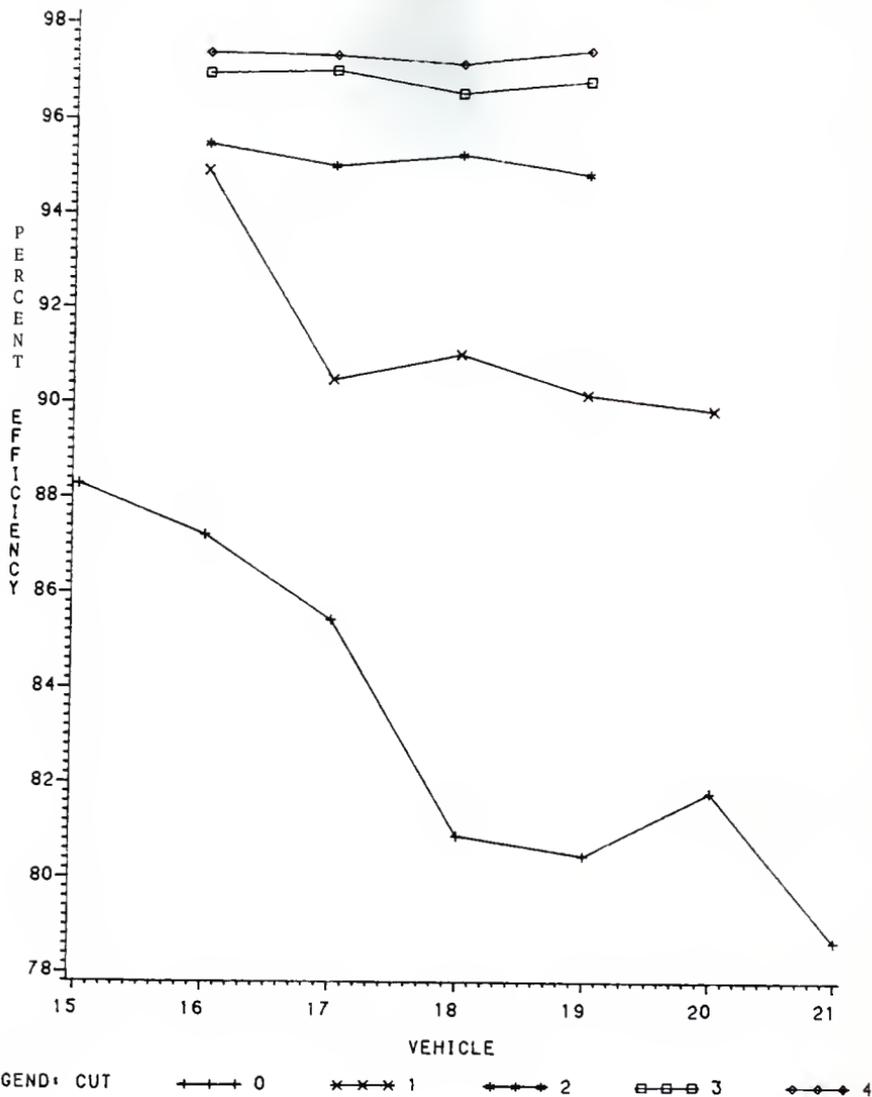


FIGURE 28.

vehicle has reached the point where it can handle the system load. Note that 16 vehicles was never able to handle the load and its system utilization is lower than 17-19's. This is because there is job backup at the input stations and the vehicles do not follow a dispatch schedule that reduces distance travelled unloaded but rather a schedule which reduces the backup loads at a given input. Hence the vehicles travel longer distances and the system utilization is lower. But if the vehicle count can process the load (17-19) there is a stepped effect with the smallest vehicle number yielding the highest utilization.

In Figure 29 the reduction in the rate of increase in system efficiency can be seen as each progressive cut is performed. Note the general levelling effect of the system efficiency curves over the progression of the cuts. Each cut makes the system more efficient and hence the number of vehicles in the system has less effect on system efficiency. This can be seen by the difference of 7 percent system efficiency between 16 and 19 vehicles in the uncut system compared to virtually no difference in system efficiency between 16 and 19 vehicles in the system cut 4 times.

This is further demonstrated in Figure 30 where as the cuts progress the system efficiency for each vehicle count converges.

CONCLUSION

In the course of this study the objectives stated at the beginning of this thesis were met.

CASE 3: UTILIZATION -VS- CUT

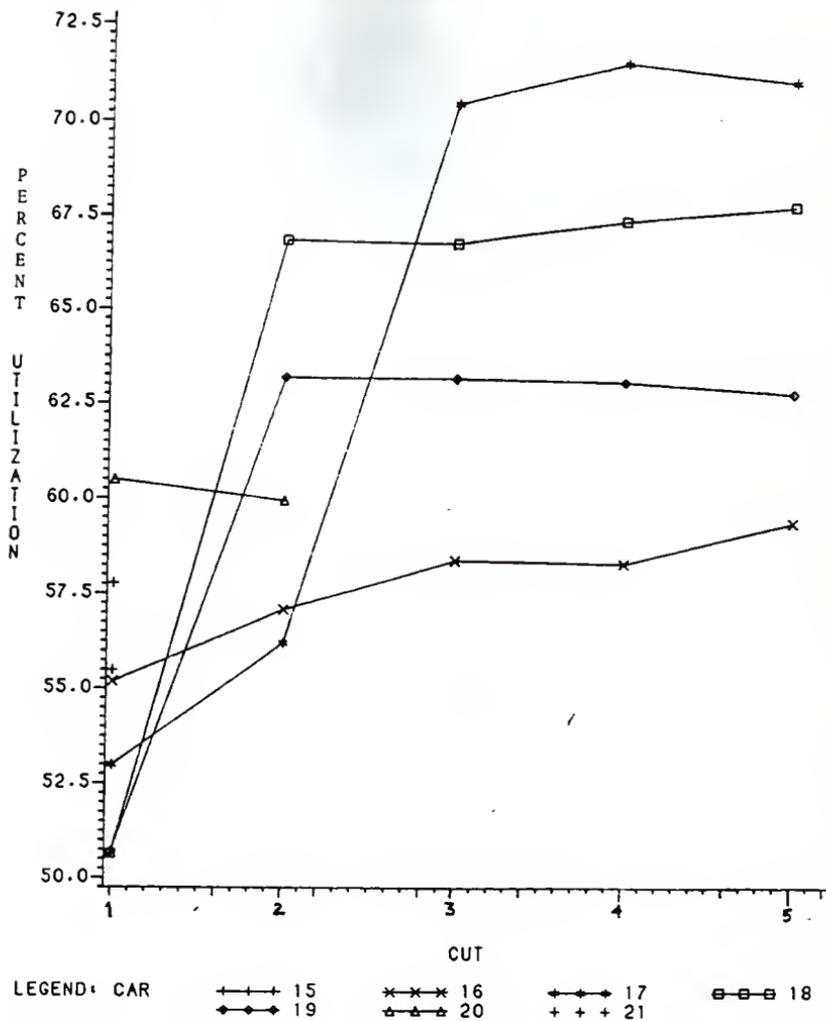


FIGURE 29

CASE 3: EFFICIENCY -VS- CUT

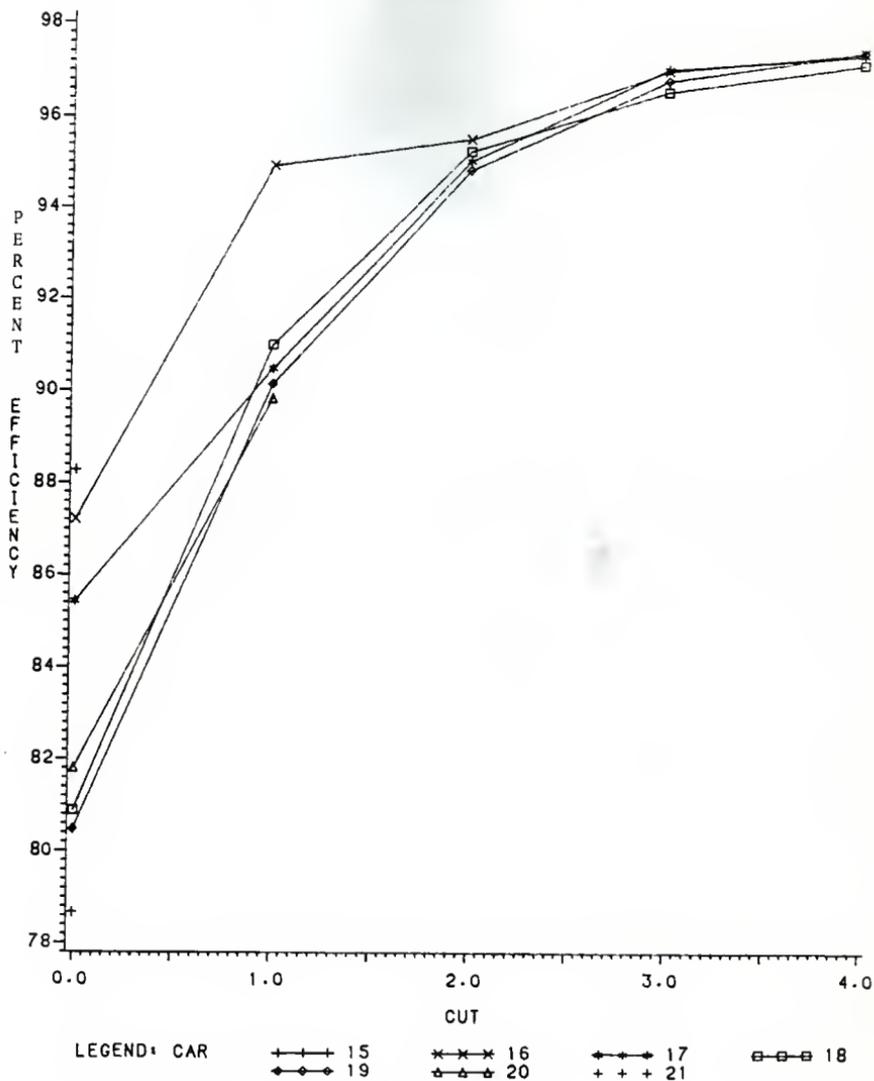


FIGURE 30.

The first section presented a viable method of emulating a AGVS. The overall simplicity of the macros was what was strived for.

In Case 1 the redefinition of system utilization and system efficiency brought added significance to their purpose. The further investigation with blocking introduced the concept of reserve capacity.

In Case 2 steps were developed for the implementation of a AGVS. The step-by-step procedure proved to produce a viable guidepath and vehicle count.

In Case 3 the previous evaluation and implementation techniques were applied and their viability further demonstrated.

FUTURE STUDY

The techniques developed in this thesis are, of course, only a simplistic approach to the problem of the implementation of AGV systems. There are many improvements that can be made on the existing proposal and viable alternatives that can be investigated.

Improvements on the existing proposal include a more sophisticated approach to the dispatch and scheduling algorithm. In the D/S algorithm developed in this thesis, when there was an overload (i.e. any input station with 3 or more jobs in queue) in 2 or more input stations, the input chosen is the one with the lowest identification number. Because the input station chosen might be the furthest of any of the overloaded input stations, extra distance would

be incurred and efficiency lost. The obvious solution is to scan the overloaded stations and choose the closest one.

Another possible D/S improvement would be if a destination were chosen and its distance exceeded a specified unloaded travel limit, the vehicle could wait a specified amount of time to see if another closer job would become available. If a closer job materialized the vehicle would switch the destination to the closer job. If not, the vehicle would proceed to the further destination. This would help eliminate needlessly long travelling periods when the vehicle was not loaded, which would cause an increase in efficiency and utilization.

A third improvement in the D/S algorithm would be, in essence, to create "smart" vehicles. This would entail vehicles making decisions while they were enroute to a predetermined destination. The advantage of this would be that if a job materialized along the route of a vehicle, a decision could be made whether or not to switch the destination. Also if a vehicle were going to the park area, it would not have to complete the trip to the park area but could divert and pick up a load. Travel distance of unloaded vehicles would be reduced and efficiency and utilization would be increased.

These former concepts could definitely be incorporated into the D/S algorithm, the overload destination and waiting principal very easily while the "smart" vehicle concept would be more difficult.

Another area of improvement would be in the cutoff analysis technique. Presently, the cutoffs instituted are to eliminate excessive travel distances from input stations to output stations. The other aspect of the problem is: What about the travel distances from output stations to input stations? Wholesale installation of cutoffs is, of course, a viable solution, but the cost of unneeded cutoffs would be incurred. Another solution would be to run a simulation that records all vehicle path movements. This would provide a "from-to" chart for output stations to input stations. Possible cutoffs could then be considered for this traffic flow as well as the previously considered input-to-output traffic flow.

A viable alternative which became apparent in the course of this study, is to create an on-screen grid that would represent the manufacturing workplace where the AGVS was to be installed. Input and output stations are placed on the screen to represent their position on the workfloor. With the use of a "mouse" or a light pen, possible guidepaths could be drawn directly onto the screen. With proper supporting software the attributes of any proposed guidepath could be evaluated. The simplest of these would be a calculation of the load-feet used to handle the system load. With more complicated software, simulations could be run of the suggested guidepaths and the number of vehicles, system efficiency, and system utilization could be calculated. From that point cutoffs could be "drawn" on the

screen and their effectiveness measured versus their proposed implementation costs.

An important consideration in the accuracy of the pre-installation evaluation process is to get the production planning department more involved. Presently, the system created uses a random dispatch method of jobs from the inputs and a uniform rate of jobs materializing at the input stations. These methods do not take into consideration any trends or fluctuations that occur in the workplace. If a better picture can be presented of the work order schedule by production planning then more accurate information will be created by the pre-installation evaluation.

In conclusion, it is imperative that any pre-installation system created must be kept as simple as possible. The increased application of AGVSs to solve today's material flow problems makes the need for such pre-installation systems crucial. Although the savings produced by a AGVS can be large, so are the installation costs. A simple system will allow for in-house evaluation by a company's own engineers.

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APPENDIX A

GPSS-H Macros

TRVL MACRO

Used to travel a section of track. Will perform no other functions. Will only allow one vehicle to travel a particular section at one time. Used in main program and called from OUTPT, INPT, GAS, PLACE, and LOOP macros.

Inputs:

- (1) vehicle number
- (2) section travel time
- (3) section to travel
- (4) section leaving

Outputs:

- (1) completion of travel of section
- (2) tabulation of time travelling with or without a load
- (3) depletion of fuel
- (4) waiting time for loaded and non-loaded vehicles for given section to become unoccupied
- (5) entrance in queue for either loaded or non-loaded vehicle to mark time for waiting to enter next section

Procedure:

- (1) Vehicle attempts to seize section of track, if it is occupied the vehicle will wait until it is free and then will take control of it.
- (2) Vehicle will leave queue and tabulate waiting time for section to become available.
- (3) Vehicle will release previous section so it can be used by other vehicles.
- (4) Tabulation of travel time in either loaded or non-loaded travel time.
- (5) Vehicle travels section.
- (6) Fuel level decremented.
- (7) Enter queue which will mark the time at which waiting to enter the next section will begin
- (8) Vehicle exits macro.

TRVL MACRD

OPERAND DESCRIPTIONS

#A - VEHICLE NUMBER STORED IN PARAMETER 1

#B - TRAVEL TIME

#C - SECTION ENTERING

#D - SECTION LEAVING

TRVL STARTMACRD #A,#B,#C,#D

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*
* TAKE CONTROL OF NEXT BLCK DF TRACK AND RELEASE WAITING*
* QUEUE AND BLOCK PRESENTLY OCCUPIED
*
      SEIZE      #C
      TEST E    XF*(PF1+50),0,**4
      DEPART    (#D+1)
      DEPART    350
      TRANSFER  ,**3
      DEPART    #D
      DEPART    351
      RELEASE   #D
*
* ASSIGN PARAMETER VEHICLE STATUS VALUE
*
      ASSIGN    4,XF*(#A+50),PF
*
* ADD SECTION LENGTH TRAVELLED TO LOADED OR UNLOADED
* SAVEVALUE
*
      SAVEVALUE (FN25)+,#B,XF
*
* INCREMENT VEHICLE CLDCK
*
      ADVANCE   #B
*
* OPTIDNAL DECREMENT DF VEHICLE'S FUEL LEVEL
*
      SAVEVALUE (#A+36)-,#B,XF
*
* ENTER LOAD DR UNLDAQ DUEUE AND WAIT TD ENTER NEXT BLCK *
*
      TEST E    XF*(PF1+50),0,**4
      DUEUE     (#C+1)
      DUEUE     350
      TRANSFER  ,**3
      QUEUE     #C
      QUEUE     351
      ENDMACRD
```

INPUT MACRO

Used to load a vehicle. Will allow one vehicle in the input station at one time. Vehicle leaves track to perform loading procedure so that other vehicles can proceed unobstructed if not to be loaded. Called from the INPT macro.

Inputs:

- (1) vehicle number
- (2) load time
- (3) loading area
- (4) section leaving

Outputs:

- (1) completion of vehicle loading
- (2) tabulation of loading time
- (3) depletion of jobs from loading area queue
- (4) assignment of output station
- (5) depletion of fuel
- (6) waiting time for non-loaded vehicles for given section to become unoccupied
- (7) entrance in queue for loaded vehicles to mark time for waiting to enter next section

Procedure:

- (1) Vehicle attempts to seize loading area. If it is occupied the vehicle will wait until it is free and then will take control of it.
- (2) Vehicle will leave queue and tabulate waiting time for loading area to become free.
- (3) Vehicle releases previous section so it can be used by other vehicles.
- (4) Load vehicle and tabulate loading time.
- (5) Subtract job from loading area queue.
- (6) Check individual load destination distribution and assign output destination.
- (7) Decrement fuel.
- (8) Place flag on vehicle that it is carrying a load.
- (9) Enter queue which will mark time at which waiting to enter the next section will begin.
- (10) Vehicle exits macro.

INPUT MACRO

OPERAND DESCRIPTIONS

#A - VEHICLE NUMBER STORED IN PARAMETER 1

#B - LOADING TIME

#C - INPUT STATION ENTERING

#D - SECTION LEAVING

INPUT STARTMACRO #A,#B,#C,#D

```
*
* TAKE CONTROL OF INPUT STATION AND RELEASE WAITING QUEUE*
* AND BLOCK OF TRACK PRESENTLY OCCUPIED *
*
    SEIZE      #C
    TEST E    XF*(PF1+50),0,**4
    DEPART    (#D+1)
    DEPART    350
    TRANSFER  ,**3
    DEPART    #D
    DEPART    351
    RELEASE   #D
*
* INCREMENT VEHICLE CLOCK *
*
    ADVANCE   #B
*
* DECREMENT JOB ASSIGNED QUEUE *
*
    SAVEVALUE (PF2+24)-,1,XF
*
* ASSIGN OUTPUT STATION DESTINATION FROM FROM-TO *
* FUNCTIONS *
*
    ASSIGN    2, FN*(PF2), PF
*
* OPTIONAL DECREMENT OF VEHICLE'S FUEL LEVEL *
*
    SAVEVALUE (#A+36)-, #B, XF
*
* ASSIGN VEHICLE STATUS TO LOAD *
*
    SAVEVALUE (PF1+50), 1, XF
*
* ENTER LOAD OR UNLOAD QUEUE AND WAIT TO ENTER NEXT BLOCK *
*
    TEST E    XF*(PF1+50),0,**4
    QUEUE     (#C+1)
    QUEUE     350
    TRANSFER  ,**3
    QUEUE     #C
    QUEUE     351
    ENDMACRO
```

OUT MACRO

Used to unload a vehicle. Will allow one vehicle in the output station at one time. Vehicle leaves track to perform unloading procedure so other vehicles can proceed unobstructed if not to be unloaded. Called from the DUTPT macro.

Inputs:

- (1) vehicle number
- (2) unload time
- (3) unloading area
- (4) section leaving

Outputs:

- (1) completion of vehicle unloading
- (2) tabulation of unloading time
- (3) depletion of fuel
- (4) assignment of destination; input, fuel, park
- (5) if destination input station depletion of input station buffer and addition to input station assigned job by one job
- (6) entrance in queue for non-loaded vehicles to mark time for waiting to enter next section

Procedure:

- (1) Vehicle attempts to seize unloading area. If it is occupied the vehicle will wait until it is free and then take control of it.
- (2) Vehicle will leave queue and tabulate time for unloading area to come free.
- (3) Will release previous section so it can be used by other vehicles.
- (4) Unload vehicle and tabulate time of unloading.
- (5) Decrement of fuel.
- (6) Check if fuel is below refuel level. If so assign destination refuel area.
- (7) Check if any input station has over a specified number of jobs to process. If so destination is assigned to the overloaded station.
- (8) If job assigned destination of a input station subtract one job from the input buffer and add one job to input job assigned for that station.
- (9) If no job has been assigned, destination is park area
- (10) Place flag on vehicle that it is not carrying a load.

- (11) Enter queue which will mark the time at which waiting to enter next section will begin.
- (12) Vehicle exits macro.

OUT MACRO

OPERAND DESCRIPTIONS

#A - VEHICLE NUMBER STORED IN PARAMETER 1

#B - UNLOADING TIME

#C - OUTPUT STATION ENTERING

#D - SECTION LEAVING

OUT STARTMACRO #A,#B,#C,#D

```
*
* TAKE CONTROL OF INPUT STATION AND RELEASE WAITING QUEUE*
* AND BLOCK OF TRACK PRESENTLY OCCUPIED *
*
  SEIZE      #C
  TEST E    XF*(PF1+50),0,**4
  DEPART    (#D+1)
  DEPART    350
  TRANSFER  ,**3
  DEPART    #D
  DEPART    351
  RELEASE   #D
*
* INCREMENT VEHICLE CLOCK *
*
  ADVANCE   #B
*
* OPTIONAL DECREMENT OF VEHICLE'S FUEL LEVEL *
*
  SAVEVALUE (#A+36)-,#B,XF
*
* ASSIGNMENT OF VEHICLE DESTINATION PARAMETERS *
*
  ASSIGN    3,24,PF
  ASSIGN    5,25,PF
  ASSIGN    6,25,PF
*
* OPTIONAL CHECK IF REFUEL NEEDED; IF SO DESTINATION *
* REFUEL AREA AND BYPASS OTHER DESTINATION OPERATIONS *
*
  TEST LE   XF*(#A+36),1000,**3
  ASSIGN    6,35,PF
  TRANSFER  ,**16
*
* CHECK FOR OVERLOADED JOB QUEUES; ASSIGN DESTINATION *
* TO INPUT STATION WITH OVERLOADED JOB QUEUE AND BYPASS *
* OTHER DESTINATION OPERATIONS *
*
  TEST G    XF*(PF3),3,**2
  ASSIGN    6,PF3,PF
  LODP     3PF,*-2
  TEST E    PF6,25,**10
*
* CHECK IF ANY JOBS TO BE DONE; ASSIGN VEHICLE DESTINATION*
* TO CLOSEST INPUT STATION AND BYPASS OTHER DESTINATION *
* OPERATIONS *
```

```

*
  ASSIGN      3,24,PF
  TEST GE    XF*(PF3),1,**4
  TEST L     MX1(PF2,PF3),PF5,**3
  ASSIGN     5,MX1(PF2,PF3),PF
  ASSIGN     6,PF3,PF
  LOOP      3PF,*-4
*
* IF THERE IS NO DESTINATION ASSIGNMENT; ASSIGN *
* DESTINATION TO THE PARK AREA *
*
  TEST E     PF6,25,**3
  ASSIGN     2,51,PF
  TRANSFER   ,**4
*
* IF VEHICLE ASSIGNED DESTINATION OF AN INPUT STATION; *
* DECREMENT JOB QUEUE AND INCREMENT JOB ASSIGNED QUEUE *
*
  SAVEVALUE (PF6)-,1,XF
  SAVEVALUE (PF6+24)+,1,XF
*
* ATTACH DESTINATION TO VEHICLE *
*
  ASSIGN     2,PF6,PF
*
* ASSIGN VEHICLE STATUS TO UNLOAD *
*
  SAVEVALUE (PF1+50),0,XF
*
* ENTER LOAD OR UNLOAD QUEUE AND WAIT TO ENTER NEXT BLOCK *
*
  TEST E     XF*(PF1+50),0,**4
  QUEUE      (#C+1)
  QUEUE      350
  TRANSFER   ,**3
  QUEUE      #C
  QUEUE      351
  ENOMACRO

```

FUEL MACRO

Used to refuel vehicle. Will allow multiple vehicles in refuel station at one time (prespecified by user). Vehicle leaves track to perform refueling so that other vehicles can proceed if refueling is not necessary. Called from the GAS macro.

Inputs:

- (1) vehicle number
- (2) refueling time
- (3) refueling area
- (4) section leaving

Outputs:

- (1) completion of refueling
- (2) tabulation of refueling time
- (3) depletion of fuel
- (4) waiting time for unloaded vehicle to enter refuel area
- (5) entrance into queue for unloaded vehicle to mark time for waiting to enter next section

Procedure:

- (1) Vehicle enters refueling area.
- (2) Vehicle leaves queue and tabulates waiting time to enter refueling area (=0).
- (3) Releases previous section so it can be used by other vehicles.
- (4) Vehicle is refueled and refuel time tabulated.
- (5) Fuel depletion.
- (6) Enter queue which will mark time at which waiting to enter next section will begin.
- (7) Vehicle exits macro.

FUEL MACRO

OPERAND DESCRIPTIONS

#A - VEHICLE NUMBER STORED IN PARAMETER 1
 #B - REFUELLING TIME
 #C - REFUELLING STATION ENTERING
 #D - SECTION LEAVING

```
FUEL  STARTMACRO #A,#B,#C,#D
*
*  ENTER FUEL AREA AND RELEASE WAITING  QUEUE AND BLOCK OF *
*  TRACK PRESENTLY OCCUPIED                                     *
*
    ENTER      #C
    TEST E     XF*(PF1+50),0,**4
    DEPART     (#D+1)
    DEPART     350
    TRANSFER   ,**3
    DEPART     #D
    DEPART     351
    RELEASE    #D
*
*  INCREMENT VEHICLE CLOCK                                     *
*
    ADVANCE    #B
*
*  OPTIONAL REFUEL AND DECREMENT OF FUEL LEVEL               *
*
    SAVEVALUE  (#A+36),30000,XF
    SAVEVALUE  (#A+36)-,#B,XF
*
*  ENTER LOAD OR UNLOAD QUEUE AND WAIT TO ENTER NEXT BLOCK *
*
    TEST E     XF*(PF1+50),0,**4
    QUEUE      (#C+1)
    QUEUE      350
    TRANSFER   ,**3
    QUEUE      #C
    QUEUE      351
    ENDMACRO
```

PARK MACRO

Used as an area to place vehicles when there are no jobs for that need to be done. Will allow multiple vehicles in park station at one time (prespecified by user). Vehicle leaves track so that other vehicle can proceed if undertaking transportation of a job. Called from the PLACE macro.

Inputs:

- (1) vehicle number
- (2) parking area
- (3) section leaving

Outputs:

- (1) vehicle released; receives new destination
- (2) waiting time for unloaded vehicle to enter park (=0)
- (3) entrance into queue for unloaded vehicles to mark time for waiting to enter next section
- (4) tabulation of parking time

Procedure:

- (1) Vehicle enters parking area.
- (2) Vehicle leaves queue and tabulates time waiting to enter parking area (=0).
- (3) Release previous section so it can be used by other vehicles.
- (4) Stop at gate until logic switch is in set position and then proceeds to receive new destination and exit.
- (5) Reset logic switch so not to let all vehicles through at once.
- (6) Stop until one of the buffers has a job for the vehicle to do, then proceed.
- (7) Enter queue which will mark the time at which waiting to enter next section will begin.
- (8) Vehicle exits macro.

PARK MACRO

OPERAND DESCRIPTIONS

#A - VEHICLE NUMBER STORED IN PARAMETER 1
 #B - PARKING STATION ENTERING
 #C - SECTION LEAVING

PARK STARTMACRO #A,#B,#C

*
 * ENTER PARK AREA AND RELEASE WAITING QUEUE AND BLOCK OF *
 * TRACK PRESENTLY OCCUPIED *

```

ENTER      #B
TEST E     XF*(PF1+50),0,++4
DEPART     (#C+1)
DEPART     350
TRANSFER   ,++3
DEPART     #C
DEPART     351
RELEASE    #C
    
```

*
 * GATE THAT WILL ALLOW ONLY ONE VEHICLE TO LEAVE FOR EVERY*
 * ONE JOB THAT NEEDS TO BE DONE *

```

GATE LS    2
LOGIC R    2
TEST E     BV22,1
    
```

*
 * ENTER LOAD OR UNLOAD QUEUE AND WAIT TO ENTER NEXT BLOCK *
 *

```

TEST E     XF*(PF1+50),0,++4
QUEUE      (#B+1)
QUEUE      350
TRANSFER   ,++3
QUEUE      #B
QUEUE      351
ENDMACRO
    
```

ENTER MACRO

Used to reenter track from either parking or refuel area. Only one vehicle can enter at one time. Travels retreat section of park or refuel section with the TRAVEL macro. Called from the GAS and PLACE macros.

Inputs:

- (1) vehicle number
- (2) section travel time
- (3) section to enter
- (4) section to leave
- (5) logic switch number to allow only one vehicle out at a time

Outputs:

- (1) completion of travel of section
- (2) tabulation of time spent travelling with or without load
- (3) tabulation of time spent in park or refuel area
- (4) assignment of destination; park, refuel, or input
- (5) if destination input station, depletion of input station buffer and addition to input station loading area queue
- (6) logic switch placed on set position
- (7) depletion of fuel
- (8) waiting time for non-loaded vehicles for given section to become unoccupied
- (9) entrance in queue for non-loaded vehicles to mark time for waiting to enter next section

Procedure:

- (1) Vehicle attempts to seize section of track. If it is occupied the vehicle will wait until it is free and then take control of it.
- (2) Vehicle will leave queue and tabulate waiting time for the section to come open.
- (3) Vehicle will leave refuel or park area.
- (4) Check if fuel is below refuel level. If so, assign destination refuel area.
- (5) Check if any input station has over a specified number of jobs to process. If so destination is assigned to the overloaded station.
- (6) If vehicle is assigned the destination of an input station, subtract one job from the input buffer and

- one job to input job assigned for that input station.
- (7) If no job has been assigned, destination is park area
 - (8) Set logic switch to set position.
 - (9) Travel section (see TRAVEL macro).
 - (10) Tabulation of travel time in non-loaded vehicle travel time.
 - (11) Enter queue which will mark the time at which waiting to enter next section will begin.
 - (12) Vehicle exits macro.

ENTER MACRO

OPERAND DESCRIPTIONS

#A - VEHICLE NUMBER STORED IN PARAMETER 1
#B - TRAVEL TIME
#C - SECTION ENTERING
#D - PARK OR REFUEL AREA VEHICLE IS LEAVING
#E - GATE NUMBER FOR PARK OR FUEL

ENTER STARTMACRO #A,#B,#C,#D,#E

```
*
* TAKE CONTROL OF REENTRANCE BLOCK AND RELEASE WAITING *
* QUEUE AND PARK OR REFUEL AREA PRESENTLY OCCUPIED *
*
  SEIZE      #C
  TEST E    XF*(PF1+50),0,**4
  DEPART    (#D+1)
  DEPART    350
  TRANSFER  **,3
  DEPART    #D
  DEPART    351
  LEAVE     #D
*
* ASSIGNMENT OF VEHICLE DESTINATION PARAMETERS *
*
  ASSIGN    3,24,PF
  ASSIGN    5,25,PF
  ASSIGN    6,25,PF
*
* OPTIONAL CHECK IF REFUEL NEEDED; IF SO DESTINATION *
* REFUEL AREA AND BYPASS OTHER DESTINATION OPERATIONS *
*
  TEST LE   XF*(#A+36),1000,**3
  ASSIGN    6,35,PF
  TRANSFER  **,16
*
* CHECK FOR OVERLOADED JOB QUEUES; ASSIGN DESTINATION *
* TO INPUT STATION WITH OVERLOADED JOB QUEUE AND BYPASS *
* OTHER DESTINATION OPERATIONS *
*
  TEST G    XF*(PF3),3,**2
  ASSIGN    6,PF3,PF
  LOOP      3PF,**-2
  TEST E    PF6,25,**10
*
* CHECK IF ANY JOBS TO BE DONE; ASSIGN VEHICLE DESTINATION*
* TO CLOSEST INPUT STATION AND BYPASS OTHER DESTINATION *
* OPERATIONS *
*
  ASSIGN    3,24,PF
  TEST GE   XF*(PF3),1,**4
  TEST L    MX1(PF2,PF3),PF5,**3
  ASSIGN    5,MX1(PF2,PF3),PF
  ASSIGN    6,PF3,PF
  LOOP      3PF,**-4
```

```

*
* IF THERE IS NO DESTINATION ASSIGNMENT; ASSIGN          *
* DESTINATION TO THE PARK AREA                          *
*
    TEST E      PF6,25,**+3
    ASSIGN      2,51,PF
    TRANSFER    ,**+4
*
* IF VEHICLE ASSIGNED DESTINATION OF AN INPUT STATION; *
* DECREMENT JOB QUEUE AND INCREMENT JOB ASSIGNED QUEUE *
*
    SAVEVALUE   (PF6)-,1,XF
    SAVEVALUE   (PF6+24)+,1,XF
*
* ATTACH DESTINATION TO VEHICLE                          *
*
    ASSIGN      2,PF6,PF
*
* ASSIGN VEHICLE STATUS TO UNLOAD                       *
*
    SAVEVALUE   (PF1+50),0,XF
*
* RESET PARK GATE TO ALLOW OTHER VEHICLES TO PASS      *
*
    LOGIC S     #E
*
* OPTIONAL DECREMENT OF VEHICLE'S FUEL LEVEL           *
*
    SAVEVALUE   (#A+36)-,#B,XF
*
* ADD SECTION LENGTH TRAVELLED TO LOADED OR UNLOADED  *
* SAVEVALUE                                          *
*
    SAVEVALUE   (FN25)+,#B,XF
*
* INCREMENT VEHICLE CLOCK                               *
*
    ADVANCE     #B
*
* ENTER LOAD OR UNLOAD QUEUE AND WAIT TO ENTER NEXT BLOCK *
*
    TEST E      XF*(PF1+50),0,**+4
    QUEUE       (#C+1)
    QUEUE       350
    TRANSFER    ,**+3
    QUEUE       #C
    QUEUE       351
    ENDMACRO

```

OUTPT MACRO

Used to travel section which has an output station in its boundaries. Divided into three sections: (1) an approach section, (2) an output station, and (3) a retreat section. Only one vehicle can be in each of the parts at one time. The approach and retreat sections are traversed within the TRAVEL macro, the output station by the OUT macro. The car leaves the track to output job so if a vehicle does not need to unload it can proceed unobstructed.

Inputs:

- (1) section leaving
- (2) output station number
- (3) approach section
- (4) retreat section
- (5) unloading area
- (6) five transfer locations

Outputs:

- (1) completion of approach section
- (2) completion of retreat section
- (3) if load to be dropped, completion of unloading

Procedure:

- (1) Vehicle completes approach within travel block (see TRAVEL macro).
- (2) If unloading to be performed:
 - (a) vehicle completes unloading within output block (see OUT macro).
 - (b) vehicle completes retreat within travel block (see TRAVEL macro).
 - (c) vehicle exits macro.
- (3) If unloading not to be performed:
 - (a) vehicle completes retreat within travel block (see TRAVEL macro).
 - (b) vehicle exits macro.

OUTPT MACRO

OPERAND DESCRIPTIONS

#A - SECTION LEAVING
#B - OUTPUT STATION ID NUMBER
#C - APPROACH SECTION
#D - RETREAT SECTION
#E - OUTPUT NAME
#F - APPROACH SECTION TRAVEL TIME
#G - RETREAT SECTION TRAVEL TIME
#H - UNLOAD TIME
#I - PROGRAM TRANSFER LOCATION
#J - PROGRAM TRANSFER LOCATION

OUTPT STARTMACRO #A,#B,#C,#D,#E,#F,#G,#H,#I,#J

```
*
* TRAVEL OUTPUT STATION APPROACH BLOCK *
*
TRVL MACRO      PF1,#F,#C,#A
*
* IF UNLOADING REQUIRED; UNLOAD AND TRAVEL OUTPUT RETREAT *
* BLOCK *
*
      TEST E      PF2,#B,#I
OUT  MACRO      PF1,#H,#E,#C
TRVL MACRO      PF1,#G,#D,#E
      TRANSFER    ,#J
*
* IF NO UNLOADING REQUIRED; TRAVEL OUTPUT RETREAT SECTION *
*
#I  ADVANCE     0
TRVL MACRO      PF1,#G,#D,#C
#J  ADVANCE     0
      ENDMACRO
```

INPT MACRO

Used to travel section which has an input station within its boundaries. Divided into three sections: (1) an approach section, (2) an output station, and (3) a retreat section. Only one vehicle can be in each of these sections at one time. The approach and retreat sections are traversed by the TRAVEL macro, the input station by the INPUT macro. The vehicle leaves the track to input a job. If a vehicle does not need to load a job it can proceed unobstructed.

Inputs:

- (1) vehicle number
- (2) section travel times (approach and retreat)
- (3) section leaving
- (4) input station number
- (5) approach section
- (6) retreat section
- (7) input area
- (8) two transfer locations

Outputs:

- (1) completion of approach section
- (2) completion of retreat section
- (3) if load to be picked up, completion of loading

Procedure:

- (1) Vehicle completes approach within travel block (see TRAVEL macro).
- (2) If loading to be performed:
 - (a) vehicle completes loading within input block (see INPUT macro).
 - (b) vehicle completes retreat within travel block (see TRAVEL macro).
 - (c) vehicle exits macro.
- (3) If loading not to be performed:
 - (a) vehicle completes retreat within travel block (see TRAVEL macro).
 - (b) vehicle exits macro.

INPT MACRO

OPERAND DESCRIPTIONS

#A - LOAD TIME
#B - PROGRAM TRANSFER LOCATION
#C - SECTION LEAVING
#D - INPUT STATION ID NUMBER
#E - APPROACH SECTION
#F - RETREAT SECTION
#G - INPUT NAME
#H - APPROACH SECTION TRAVEL TIME
#I - RETREAT SECTION TRAVEL TIME
#J - PROGRAM TRANSFER LOCATION

```
INPT STARTMACRO #A,#B,#C,#D,#E,#F,#G,#H,#I,#J
*
* TRAVEL INPUT STATION APPROACH BLOCK *
*
TRVL MACRO PF1,#H,#E,#C
*
* IF LOADING REQUIRED; LOAD AND TRAVEL INPUT RETREAT *
* BLOCK *
*
TEST E PF2,#D,#J
INPUT MACRO PF1,#A,#G,#E
TRVL MACRO PF1,#I,#F,#G
TRANSFER ,#B
*
* IF NO LOADING REQUIRED; TRAVEL INPUT RETREAT SECTION *
*
#J ADVANCE 0
TRVL MACRO PF1,#I,#F,#E
#B ADVANCE 0
ENDMACRO
```

GAS MACRO

Used in travel section which has refueling station within its boundaries. Divided into three sections: (1) an approach section, (2) a refuel station, and (3) a retreat section. Only one vehicle can be in the approach or retreat section at one time while the refuel section can hold a prespecified number of vehicles. The approach and retreat sections are traversed by the TRAVEL macro, and the refuel station by the FUEL macro. The vehicle leaves the track to refuel so that vehicles not needing to refuel can proceed unobstructed.

Inputs:

- (1) section leaving
- (2) refuel station number
- (3) approach section
- (4) retreat section
- (5) refueling section
- (6) travel time for the approach and retreat sections
- (7) two transfer locations for the GAS macro
- (8) refuel time

Outputs:

- (1) completion of approach section
- (2) completion of retreat section
- (3) if refueling takes place, completion of refueling
- (4) if refueling takes place, completion of reentrance of the system

Procedure:

- (1) Vehicle completes approach within travel block (see TRAVEL macro).
- (2) If refuel to be performed:
 - (a) vehicle completes refueling within fuel block (see FUEL macro).
 - (b) vehicle completes reentrance to the system and travels retreat within enter block (see ENTER macro).
 - (c) vehicle exits macro.
- (3) If refuel not to be performed;
 - (a) vehicle completes retreat within travel block (see TRAVEL macro).
 - (b) vehicle exits macro.

GAS MACRO

OPERAND DESCRIPTIONS

#A - SECTION LEAVING
 #B - REFUEL AREA ID NUMBER
 #C - APPROACH SECTION
 #D - RETREAT SECTION FOR LEAVING GAS MACRO
 #E - APPROACH SECTION FOR ENTER MACRO
 #F - APPROACH TRAVEL TIME
 #G - RETREAT TRAVEL TIME
 #H - PROGRAM TRANSFER LOCATION
 #I - PROGRAM TRANSFER LOCATION
 #J - REFUEL TIME

```
GAS   STARTMACRO #A,#B,#C,#D,#E,#F,#G,#H,#I,#J
*
* TRAVEL REFUEL STATION APPROACH BLOCK *
*
TRVL  MACRO      PF1,#F,#C,#A
*
* IF REFUEL REQUIRED; REFUEL AND TRAVEL REFUEL RETREAT *
* BLOCK *
*
TEST  E         PF2,#B,#H
FUEL  MACRO     PF1,#J,#E,#C
ENTER MACRO     PF1,#G,#D,#E,1
TRANSFER ,#I .
*
* IF NO REFUEL REQUIRED; TRAVEL REFUEL RETREAT SECTION *
*
#H    ADVANCE   0
TRVL  MACRO     PF1,#G,#D,#C
#I    ADVANCE   0
      ENDMACRO
```

PLACE MACRO

Used to travel section which has a parking station within its boundaries. Divided into three sections: (1) an approach section, (2) a parking area, and (3) a retreat area. Only one vehicle can be in both the approach and retreat sections at one time while the park section can hold a prespecified number of vehicles. The approach and retreat sections are traversed by the TRAVEL macro and the parking section by the PARK macro. The vehicle leaves the track to park so that other vehicles which do not need to park can proceed unobstructed.

Inputs:

- (1) section leaving
- (2) parking station number
- (3) approach section
- (4) retreat section
- (5) parking area
- (6) two transfer locations for PLACE macro

Outputs:

- (1) completion of approach section
- (2) completion of retreat section
- (3) if parking takes place, entrance and exit of parking area
- (4) if parking takes place, completion of reentrance to the system

Procedure:

- (1) Vehicle completes approach within travel block (see TRAVEL macro).
- (2) If parking takes place:
 - (a) vehicle enters park until it is summoned to do a job within the park block (see PARK macro).
 - (b) vehicle completes reentrance to the system and travels retreat section within the travel block (see TRAVEL macro).
 - (c) vehicle exits macro.
- (3) If vehicle bypasses parking area:
 - (a) vehicle completes retreat section within the travel block (see TRAVEL macro).
 - (b) vehicle exits macro.

PLACE MACRO

OPERAND DESCRIPTIONS

#A - SECTION LEAVING
 #B - PARK AREA ID NUMBER
 #C - APPROACH SECTION
 #D - RETREAT SECTION FOR LEAVING PLACE MACRO
 #E - APPROACH SECTION FOR ENTER MACRO
 #F - APPROACH TRAVEL TIME
 #G - RETREAT TRAVEL TIME
 #H - PROGRAM TRANSFER LOCATION
 #I - PROGRAM TRANSFER LOCATION

```

PLACE STARTMACRO #A,#B,#C,#D,#E,#F,#G,#H,#I
*
* TRAVEL PARK STATION APPROACH BLOCK *
*
TRVL MACRO      PF1,#F,#C,#A
*
* IF PARK REQUIRED; PARK AND WHEN SUMMONED REENTER THE *
* GUIDEPATH *
*
TEST E        PF2,#B,#H
PARK MACRO    PF1,#E,#C
ENTER MACRO   PF1,#G,#D,#E,2
TRANSFER      ,#I
*
* IF NO PARK REQUIRED; TRAVEL PARK RETREAT SECTION *
*
#H ADVANCE    0
TRVL MACRO    PF1,#G,#D,#C
#I ADVANCE    0
ENDMACRO
  
```

LOOP MACRO

Used to travel section which has more than one route from point A to point B. If the beginning of the main route is being used an alternative route will be immediately attempted. If the first section of the alternate route is also in use the vehicle will wait for the first available path. Each route consists of two sections which are each traversed by the TRAVEL macro. The succeeding section is also contained in the LOOP macro and is traversed normally in the TRAVEL macro. Vehicles will always try the main route first. Purpose is to prevent back up of vehicles if jam occurs at one block.

Inputs:

- (1) first half of loop to be traveled if main route taken
- (2) second half of loop to be traveled if main route taken
- (3) first half of loop to be traveled if alternate route taken
- (4) second half of loop to be traveled if alternate route taken

Outputs:

- (1) completion of loop by either main or alternate route
- (2) completion of succeeding section of track

Procedure:

- (1) Vehicle attempts to enter main path portion of track. If it is occupied will attempt to enter alternate path of track. If it is also occupied the vehicle will wait until main or alternate becomes available and will then proceed.
- (2) Vehicle completes travel of loop, by either main or alternate path (both are divided into two sections), within travel block (see TRAVEL macro).
- (3) Vehicle exits macro.

LOOP MACRO

OPERAND DESCRIPTIONS

#A - MAIN PATH SECTION 1
 #B - MAIN PATH SECTION 2
 #C - ALTERNATIVE PATH SECTION 1
 #D - ALTERNATIVE PATH SECTION 2
 #E - EXIT FROM GUIDEPATH TO LOOP SECTION
 #F - REENTRY ON GUIDEPATH SECTION
 #G - REENTRY ON GUIDEPATH TRAVEL TIME
 #H - PROGRAM TRANSFER LOCATION
 #I - PROGRAM TRANSFER LOCATION
 #J - PROGRAM TRANSFER LOCATION

```

LOOP  STARTMACRO #A,#B,#C,#D,#E,#F,#G,#H,#I,#J
      TRANSFER   ,*+2
RET   ADVANCE   1
*
* CHECK IF MAIN PATH OCCUPIED
*
      GATE NU   #A,#H
*
* IF MAIN PATH UNOCCUPIED; TRAVEL ITS LENGTH
*
TRVL  MACRO    PF1,4,#A,#E
TRVL  MACRO    PF1,3,#B,#A
      TRANSFER ,#I
*
* CHECK IF ALTERNATIVE PATH OCCUPIED
*
#H    GATE NU  #C,RET
*
* IF ALTERNATIVE PATH UNOCCUPIED; TRAVEL ITS LENGTH
* AND REENTER MAIN GUIDEPATH
*
TRVL  MACRO    PF1,5,#C,#E
TRVL  MACRO    PF1,4,#D,#C
TRVL  MACRO    PF1,#G,#F,#D
      TRANSFER ,#J
*
* RETURN TO REGULAR GUIDEPATH FROM MAIN ROUTE
*
#I    ADVANCE  0
TRVL  MACRO    PF1,#G,#F,#B
#J    ADVANCE  0
      ENDMACRO
    
```

APPENDIX B
Example Program for Case 1

* THIS EXAMPLE IS OF CASE 1. NOTE THAT IT WAS RUN WITHOUT
* A DISTANCE MATRIX BECAUSE A FROM-TO CHART OF THIS SYSTEM
* WAS UNAVAILABLE.

*

*

SIMULATE

*

*

* GIVES EACH BLOCK OF TRACK, INPUT STATION, AND OUTPUT STATION
* AN EQUIVALENT NUMERICAL VALUE. IN THIS WAY THE VEHICLE'S
* WAITING TIME CAN BE MEASURED WHEN TRAVELLING LOADED (X)
* OR TRAVELLING UNLOADED (X+1).

*

SEC46 SYN	1
AP1 SYN	3
UNLD3 SYN	5
RP1 SYN	7
SEC2 SYN	9
AP3 SYN	11
UNLD4 SYN	13
RP3 SYN	15
SEC4 SYN	17
AP5 SYN	19
UNLD5 SYN	21
RP5 SYN	23
SEC6 SYN	25
AP7 SYN	27
UNLD6 SYN	29
RP7 SYN	31
SEC8 SYN	33
AP9 SYN	35
UNLD7 SYN	37
RP9 SYN	39
SEC10 SYN	41
AP11 SYN	43
UNLD8 SYN	45
RP11 SYN	47
SEC12 SYN	49
AP13 SYN	51
UNLD9 SYN	53
RP13 SYN	55
SEC14 SYN	57
SEC15 SYN	59
SEC16 SYN	61
SEC17 SYN	63
CROSS SYN	65
SEC19 SYN	67
SEC20 SYN	69
SEC21 SYN	71
AP22 SYN	73
UND10 SYN	75
RP22 SYN	77
SEC23 SYN	79
SEC24 SYN	81
SEC25 SYN	83

SEC26 SYN	85
SEC27 SYN	87
SEC28 SYN	89
SEC29 SYN	91
AP30 SYN	93
REFIL SYN	95
RP30 SYN	97
AP31 SYN	99
PARK SYN	101
RP31 SYN	103
SEC32 SYN	105
AP33 SYN	107
INPT3 SYN	109
RP33 SYN	111
SEC34 SYN	113
AP35 SYN	115
INPT4 SYN	117
RP35 SYN	119
SEC36 SYN	121
SEC37 SYN	123
SEC38 SYN	125
SEC39 SYN	127
SEC40 SYN	129
CL061 SYN	131
CL062 SYN	133
INPT1 SYN	135
CL063 SYN	137
CL064 SYN	139
INPT2 SYN	141
CL065 SYN	143
CL066 SYN	145
CL067 SYN	147
CL068 SYN	149
UNLD1 SYN	151
CL069 SYN	153
CL610 SYN	155
UNLD2 SYN	157
CL611 SYN	159
CL612 SYN	161
CL613 SYN	163
SEC41 SYN	165
SEC42 SYN	167
LDP1A SYN	169
LDP1B SYN	171
LDP2A SYN	173
LDP2B SYN	175
SEC43 SYN	177
SEC44 SYN	179

*

*

* REALLOCATION OF COMPUTER SPACE NEEDED TO PERFORM RUN.

*

*

REALLOCATE COM,50000

*

```

* DISPATCH OF VEHICLES FROM INPUT STATIONS TO THE OUTPUT
* STATIONS. SINCE NO PREVIOUS INFORMATION OF DISTRIBUTION
* OF THE DELIVERY OF JOBS, EACH OUTPUT STATION HAD AN EQUAL
* PROBABILITY.
*
1    FUNCTION    RN1,010
.1,.1/.2,2/.3,3/.4,4/.5,5/.6,6/.7,7/.8,8/.9,9/1.0,10
*
* CONVERSION OF THE VALUES STORED IN PARAMETER 3 TO THE
* VEHICLE DESTINATION.
*
2    FUNCTION    PF3,050
1,16/2,14/3,13/4,12/5,11
*
* GROUPING OF DESTINATIONS INTO ONE LOCALE REPRESENTATIVE
* GROUP
*
3    FUNCTION    PF2,L16
1,3/2,3/4,4/5,4/6,4/7,4/8,4/9,4/10,4/11,1/12,1/13,2/14,2/15,5
16,6
*
* CONVERSION OF VEHICLE STATUS (EITHER LOADED=1 OR UNLOADED=0)
* TO A SAVEVALUE WHICH STORES TOTAL TRAVELLING FOR BOTH
*
4    FUNCTION    PF4,02
0,37/1,38
*
*
*
*
* BOOLEAN VARIABLES WHICH ARE USED WHEN DECISIONS ARE MADE
* ON THE VEHICLES DESTINATION.
*
1    BVARIABLE   XF1'G'+XF2'G'+XF3'G'+XF4'G'0
2    BVARIABLE   XF4'GE'XF1*XF4'GE'XF2*XF4'GE'XF3
3    BVARIABLE   XF3'GE'XF1*XF3'GE'XF2*XF3'GE'XF4
4    BVARIABLE   XF2'GE'XF1*XF2'GE'XF3*XF2'GE'XF4
5    BVARIABLE   XF1'GE'XF2*XF1'GE'XF3*XF1'GE'XF4
6    BVARIABLE   XF1'G'+XF2'G'+XF3'G'+XF4'G'0
*
*
* MACROS SHOULD BE INSERTED HERE
*
*
* GENERATOR OF THE VEHICLES
*
*
GENERATE 20,5,,6,,4PF
SAVEVALUE 25+,1,XF
ASSIGN 1,XF25,PF
ASSIGN 2,FN1,PF
SEIZE SEC46
QUEUE 201
QUEUE (SEC46+1)
*

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* MAIN PROGRAM REPRESENTING THE GUIDEPATH THE VEHICLES WILL
* FOLLOW.

*

```
STRT ADVANCE 0
OUTPT MACRO SEC46,3,AP1,RP1,UNL03,1,1,60,03A,03B
TRVL MACRO PF1,1,SEC2,RP1
OUTPT MACRO SEC2,4,AP3,RP3,UNLD4,1,1,60,04A,04B
TRVL MACRO PF1,1,SEC4,RP3
OUTPT MACRO SEC4,5,AP5,RP5,UNL05,1,1,60,05A,05B
TRVL MACRO PF1,1,SEC6,RP5
OUTPT MACRO SEC6,6,AP7,RP7,UNL06,1,1,60,06A,06B
TRVL MACRO PF1,1,SEC8,RP7
OUTPT MACRO SEC8,7,AP9,RP9,UNLD7,1,1,60,07A,07B
TRVL MACRO PF1,1,SEC10,RP9
OUTPT MACRO SEC10,8,AP11,RP11,UNL0B,1,1,60,08A,08B
TRVL MACRO PF1,1,SEC12,RP11
OUTPT MACRO SEC12,9,AP13,RP13,UNL09,1,1,60,09A,09B
TRVL MACRO PF1,4,SEC14,RP13
TRVL MACRO PF1,4,SEC15,SEC14
TRVL MACRO PF1,4,SEC16,SEC15
TRVL MACRO PF1,1,SEC17,SEC16
TRVL MACRO PF1,1,CROSS,SEC17
TRVL MACRO PF1,4,SEC19,CROSS
TRVL MACRO PF1,4,SEC20,SEC19
TRVL MACRO PF1,5,SEC21,SEC20
OUTPT MACRO SEC21,10,AP22,RP22,UNL10,1,1,60,010A,010B
TRVL MACRO PF1,4,SEC23,RP22
TRVL MACRO PF1,2,SEC24,SEC23
TRVL MACRO PF1,4,SEC25,SEC24
CLOG ADVANCE 0
TRVL MACRO PF1,4,SEC26,SEC25
TRVL MACRO PF1,4,SEC27,SEC26
TRVL MACRO PF1,4,SEC28,SEC27
TRVL MACRO PF1,4,SEC29,SEC28
GAS MACRO SEC29,15,AP30,RP30,REFIL,1,1,GAS1,GAS2
PLACE MACRO RP30,16,AP31,RP31,PARK,1.1,PLC1,PLC2
TRVL MACRO PF1,1,SEC32,RP31
INPT MACRO 50,IN3B,SEC32,13,AP33,RP33,INPT3,1,1,IN3A
TRVL MACRO PF1,1,SEC34,RP33
INPT MACRO 50,IN4B,SEC34,14,AP35,RP35,INPT4,1,1,IN4A
TRVL MACRO PF1,1,SEC36,RP35
TRVL MACRO PF1,4,SEC37,SEC36
TRVL MACRO PF1,4,SEC38,SEC37
TRVL MACRO PF1,4,SEC39,SEC38
TRVL MACRO PF1,3,SEC40,SEC39
TEST E FN3,1,AAA
TRVL MACRO PF1,1,CLOG1,SEC40
INPT MACRO 50,IN1B,CLOG1,11,CLOG2,CLOG3,INPT1,1,1,IN1A
INPT MACRO 50,IN2B,CLOG3,12,CLOG4,CLOG5,INPT2,1,1,IN2A
TRVL MACRO PF1,1,CLOG6,CLOG5
TEST E FN3,3,BBB
CCC ADVANCE 0
OUTPT MACRO CLOG7,1,CLOG8,CLOG9,UNLD1,1,1,60,01A,01B
OUTPT MACRO CLOG9,2,CLG10,CLG11,UNL02,1,1,60,02A,02B
TRVL MACRO PF1,3,CLG12,CLG11
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TRVL  MACRD    PF1,4,SEC25,CLG12
      TRANSFER ,CLDG
AAA   ADVANCE  0
TRVL  MACRD    PF1,6,CLG13,SEC40
TRVL  MACRD    PF1,1,CLDG6,CLG13
      TEST E   8V7,4,CCC
TRVL  MACRD    PF1,1,SEC41,CLDG6
TRVL  MACRD    PF1,1,SEC42,SEC41
LDDP  MACRD    LDP1A,LDP1B,LDP2A,LDP2B,SEC42,SEC43,1,LDP1,LDP2,LDP3
TRVL  MACRD    PF1,1,SEC44,SEC43
TRVL  MACRD    PF1,1,CROSS,SEC44
TRVL  MACRD    PF1,1,SEC46,CRDSS1
      TRANSFER ,STRT

```

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*
* GENERATION DN DF JDBS FDR EACH INPUT. GENERATED AT A UNIFORM
* RATE BECAUSE ND DISTRIBUTION KNOWN. ONE JOB CREATED AT EACH
* INPUT EVERY 180 SECONDS.
*

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      GENERATE  ,,,1
TDP   ADVANCE  180
      SAVEVALUE 1+,1,XF
      SAVEVALUE 2+,1,XF
      SAVEVALUE 3+,1,XF
      SAVEVALUE 4+,1,XF
      TRANSFER  ,TDP

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*
* CLDCK TD REGULATE ONE SHIFT DR 28800 SECONDS DF SIMULATION
* TIME.
*

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      GENERATE  ,,,1
      ADVANCE  28800
      TERMINATE 1
      START    1
      END

```

APPENDIX C

Example Program for Case 2

* THIS EXAMPLE IS AFTER THE CUTOFFS HAD BEEN PUT IN.
* BLOCK CUTTING HAD NOT YET BEEN PERFORMED.

*
*
*

SIMULATE

*
*

* GIVES EACH BLOCK OF TRACK, INPUT STATION, AND OUTPUT STATION
* AN EQUIVALENT NUMERICAL VALUE. IN THIS WAY THE VEHICLE'S
* WAITING TIME CAN BE MEASURED WHEN TRAVELLING LOADED (X)
* OR TRAVELLING UNLOADED (X+1).

*

AP1	SYN	1
INP1	SYN	3
RP1	SYN	5
SEC16	SYN	7
AP20	SYN	9
UNL20	SYN	11
RP20	SYN	13
SEC17	SYN	15
AP3	SYN	17
INP3	SYN	19
RP3	SYN	21
AP21	SYN	23
UNL21	SYN	25
RP21	SYN	27
AP2	SYN	29
INP2	SYN	31
RP2	SYN	33
SEC20	SYN	35
AP4	SYN	37
INP4	SYN	39
RP4	SYN	41
AP5	SYN	43
INP5	SYN	45
RP5	SYN	47
AP6	SYN	49
INP6	SYN	51
RP6	SYN	53
AP7	SYN	55
INP7	SYN	57
RP7	SYN	59
AP8	SYN	61
INP8	SYN	63
RP8	SYN	65
SEC21	SYN	67
AP22	SYN	69
UNL22	SYN	71
RP22	SYN	73
SEC26	SYN	75
AP23	SYN	77
UNL23	SYN	79
RP23	SYN	81
SEC27	SYN	83

AP24 SYN	85
UNL24 SYN	87
RP24 SYN	89
SEC28 SYN	91
AP9 SYN	93
INP9 SYN	95
RP9 SYN	97
SEC1 SYN	99
AP25 SYN	101
UNL25 SYN	103
RP25 SYN	105
SEC2 SYN	107
AP26 SYN	109
UNL26 SYN	111
RP26 SYN	113
AP10 SYN	115
INP10 SYN	117
RP10 SYN	119
SEC3 SYN	121
AP27 SYN	123
UNL27 SYN	125
RP27 SYN	127
AP28 SYN	129
UNL28 SYN	131
RP28 SYN	133
SEC4 SYN	135
AP11 SYN	137
INP11 SYN	139
RP11 SYN	141
SEC5 SYN	143
AP12 SYN	145
INP12 SYN	147
RP12 SYN	149
SEC6 SYN	151
AP13 SYN	153
INP13 SYN	155
RP13 SYN	157
AP30 SYN	159
UNL30 SYN	161
RP30 SYN	163
AP29 SYN	165
UNL29 SYN	167
RP29 SYN	169
SEC9 SYN	171
AP14 SYN	173
INP14 SYN	175
RP14 SYN	177
AP31 SYN	179
UNL31 SYN	181
RP31 SYN	183
SEC10 SYN	185
AP32 SYN	187
UNL32 SYN	189
RP32 SYN	191
AP15 SYN	193

INP15 SYN	195
RP15 SYN	197
SEC11 SYN	199
SEC13 SYN	201
AP33 SYN	203
UNL33 SYN	205
RP33 SYN	207
AP17 SYN	209
INP17 SYN	211
RP17 SYN	213
SEC14 SYN	215
AP34 SYN	217
UNL34 SYN	219
RP34 SYN	221
AP18 SYN	223
INP18 SYN	225
RP18 SYN	227
AP16 SYN	229
INP16 SYN	231
RP16 SYN	233
SEC15 SYN	235
AP19 SYN	237
UNL19 SYN	239
RP19 SYN	241
AP6 SYN	243
RP6 SYN	245
APP SYN	247
RPP SYN	249
TSQU1 SYN	253
TSQUH SYN	255
TSQUV SYN	257
LINK SYN	259
TSQU2 SYN	261
TSQU3 SYN	263
TSQU4 SYN	265
TSQH1 SYN	267
TSQH2 SYN	269
TSQV2 SYN	271
TSQV3 SYN	273
TSQV4 SYN	275
UP1 SYN	277
UP2 SYN	279

*
*
* REALLOCATION OF COMPUTER SPACE NEEDED TO PERFORM RUN.
*
*
* REALLOCATE COM,50000
*
*
* DECLARATION OF MATRIX TO CONTAIN OUTPUT-TO-INPUT OISTANCES.
*
*
1 MATRIX MX,36,18
*

* INITIALIZATION OF OUTPUT-TO-INPUT DISTANCE MATRIX. THE ROW
 * VALUE INDICATES THE OUTPUT STATION AND THE COLUMN VALUE THE
 * INPUT STATION. THE VALUE IN THAT MATRIX POSITION IS THE RANK
 * OF DISTANCES FROM THAT PARTICULAR OUTPUT (1=CLOSEST
 * 18=FURTHEST). THE ROW VALUE 36 REPRESENTS THE DISTANCE FROM
 * THE PARK AREA.
 *

INITIAL MX1(19,1),1/MX1(19,2),2/MX1(19,3),3/MX1(19,4),4
 INITIAL MX1(19,5),5/MX1(19,6),6/MX1(19,7),7/MX1(19,8),8
 INITIAL MX1(19,9),9/MX1(19,10),12/MX1(19,11),15
 INITIAL MX1(19,12),10/MX1(19,13),11/MX1(19,14),13
 INITIAL MX1(19,15),14/MX1(19,16),16/MX1(19,17),17
 INITIAL MX1(19,18),18

INITIAL MX1(20,1),13/MX1(20,2),1/MX1(20,3),2/MX1(20,4),3
 INITIAL MX1(20,5),4/MX1(20,6),5/MX1(20,7),6/MX1(20,8),7
 INITIAL MX1(20,9),8/MX1(20,10),10/MX1(20,11),15
 INITIAL MX1(20,12),9/MX1(20,13),11/MX1(20,14),12
 INITIAL MX1(20,15),14/MX1(20,16),16/MX1(20,17),17
 INITIAL MX1(20,18),18

INITIAL MX1(21,1),11/MX1(21,2),13/MX1(21,3),20/MX1(21,4),1
 INITIAL MX1(21,5),2/MX1(21,6),3/MX1(21,7),4/MX1(21,8),5
 INITIAL MX1(21,9),6/MX1(21,10),9/MX1(21,11),14
 INITIAL MX1(21,12),7/MX1(21,13),8/MX1(21,14),10
 INITIAL MX1(21,15),12/MX1(21,16),15/MX1(21,17),16
 INITIAL MX1(21,18),17

INITIAL MX1(22,1),10/MX1(22,2),12/MX1(22,3),13/MX1(22,4),14
 INITIAL MX1(22,5),15/MX1(22,6),16/MX1(22,7),17/MX1(22,8),18
 INITIAL MX1(22,9),1/MX1(22,10),2/MX1(22,11),3
 INITIAL MX1(22,12),4/MX1(22,13),5/MX1(22,14),6
 INITIAL MX1(22,15),7/MX1(22,16),8/MX1(22,17),9
 INITIAL MX1(22,18),11

INITIAL MX1(23,1),10/MX1(23,2),12/MX1(23,3),13/MX1(23,4),14
 INITIAL MX1(23,5),15/MX1(23,6),16/MX1(23,7),17/MX1(23,8),18
 INITIAL MX1(23,9),1/MX1(23,10),2/MX1(23,11),3
 INITIAL MX1(23,12),4/MX1(23,13),5/MX1(23,14),6
 INITIAL MX1(23,15),7/MX1(23,16),8/MX1(23,17),9
 INITIAL MX1(23,18),11

INITIAL MX1(24,1),10/MX1(24,2),12/MX1(24,3),13/MX1(24,4),14
 INITIAL MX1(24,5),15/MX1(24,6),16/MX1(24,7),17/MX1(24,8),18
 INITIAL MX1(24,9),1/MX1(24,10),2/MX1(24,11),3
 INITIAL MX1(24,12),4/MX1(24,13),5/MX1(24,14),6
 INITIAL MX1(24,15),7/MX1(24,16),8/MX1(24,17),9
 INITIAL MX1(24,18),11

INITIAL MX1(25,1),9/MX1(25,2),11/MX1(25,3),12/MX1(25,4),13
 INITIAL MX1(25,5),14/MX1(25,6),15/MX1(25,7),16/MX1(25,8),17
 INITIAL MX1(25,9),18/MX1(25,10),1/MX1(25,11),2
 INITIAL MX1(25,12),3/MX1(25,13),4/MX1(25,14),5
 INITIAL MX1(25,15),6/MX1(25,16),7/MX1(25,17),8
 INITIAL MX1(25,18),10

INITIAL MX1(26,1),8/MX1(26,2),10/MX1(26,3),11/MX1(26,4),12
 INITIAL MX1(26,5),13/MX1(26,6),14/MX1(26,7),15/MX1(26,8),16
 INITIAL MX1(26,9),17/MX1(26,10),20/MX1(26,11),1
 INITIAL MX1(26,12),2/MX1(26,13),3/MX1(26,14),4
 INITIAL MX1(26,15),5/MX1(26,16),6/MX1(26,17),7
 INITIAL MX1(26,18),9

INITIAL MX1(27,1),8/MX1(27,2),10/MX1(27,3),11/MX1(27,4),12
 INITIAL MX1(27,5),13/MX1(27,6),14/MX1(27,7),15/MX1(27,8),16
 INITIAL MX1(27,9),17/MX1(27,10),18/MX1(27,11),1
 INITIAL MX1(27,12),2/MX1(27,13),3/MX1(27,14),4
 INITIAL MX1(27,15),5/MX1(27,16),6/MX1(27,17),7
 INITIAL MX1(27,18),9

INITIAL MX1(28,1),8/MX1(28,2),10/MX1(28,3),11/MX1(28,4),12
 INITIAL MX1(28,5),13/MX1(28,6),14/MX1(28,7),15/MX1(28,8),16
 INITIAL MX1(28,9),17/MX1(28,10),18/MX1(28,11),1
 INITIAL MX1(28,12),2/MX1(28,13),3/MX1(28,14),4
 INITIAL MX1(28,15),5/MX1(28,16),6/MX1(28,17),7
 INITIAL MX1(28,18),9

INITIAL MX1(29,1),5/MX1(29,2),7/MX1(29,3),8/MX1(29,4),9
 INITIAL MX1(29,5),16/MX1(29,6),11/MX1(29,7),12/MX1(29,8),13
 INITIAL MX1(29,9),14/MX1(29,10),17/MX1(29,11),18
 INITIAL MX1(29,12),15/MX1(29,13),16/MX1(29,14),1
 INITIAL MX1(29,15),2/MX1(29,16),3/MX1(29,17),4
 INITIAL MX1(29,18),6

INITIAL MX1(30,1),5/MX1(30,2),7/MX1(30,3),8/MX1(30,4),9
 INITIAL MX1(30,5),10/MX1(30,6),11/MX1(30,7),12/MX1(30,8),13
 INITIAL MX1(30,9),14/MX1(30,10),17/MX1(30,11),18
 INITIAL MX1(30,12),15/MX1(30,13),16/MX1(30,14),1
 INITIAL MX1(30,15),2/MX1(30,16),3/MX1(30,17),4
 INITIAL MX1(30,18),6

INITIAL MX1(31,1),4/MX1(31,2),6/MX1(31,3),7/MX1(31,4),8
 INITIAL MX1(31,5),9/MX1(31,6),10/MX1(31,7),11/MX1(31,8),12
 INITIAL MX1(31,9),13/MX1(31,10),16/MX1(31,11),18
 INITIAL MX1(31,12),14/MX1(31,13),15/MX1(31,14),17
 INITIAL MX1(31,15),1/MX1(31,16),2/MX1(31,17),3
 INITIAL MX1(31,18),5

INITIAL MX1(32,1),3/MX1(32,2),5/MX1(32,3),6/MX1(32,4),7
 INITIAL MX1(32,5),8/MX1(32,6),9/MX1(32,7),10/MX1(32,8),11
 INITIAL MX1(32,9),12/MX1(32,10),15/MX1(32,11),17
 INITIAL MX1(32,12),13/MX1(32,13),14/MX1(32,14),18
 INITIAL MX1(32,15),18/MX1(32,16),1/MX1(32,17),2
 INITIAL MX1(32,18),4

INITIAL MX1(33,1),2/MX1(33,2),3/MX1(33,3),4/MX1(33,4),5
 INITIAL MX1(33,5),6/MX1(33,6),7/MX1(33,7),8/MX1(33,8),9
 INITIAL MX1(33,9),10/MX1(33,10),13/MX1(33,11),15
 INITIAL MX1(33,12),11/MX1(33,13),12/MX1(33,14),14
 INITIAL MX1(33,15),16/MX1(33,16),17/MX1(33,17),20

INITIAL MX1(33,18),1

INITIAL MX1(34,1),2/MX1(34,2),3/MX1(34,3),4/MX1(34,4),5
 INITIAL MX1(34,5),6/MX1(34,6),7/MX1(34,7),8/MX1(34,8),9
 INITIAL MX1(34,9),10/MX1(34,10),13/MX1(34,11),15
 INITIAL MX1(34,12),11/MX1(34,13),12/MX1(34,14),14
 INITIAL MX1(34,15),16/MX1(34,16),17/MX1(34,17),18
 INITIAL MX1(34,18),1

INITIAL MX1(35,1),13/MX1(35,2),1/MX1(35,3),2/MX1(35,4),3
 INITIAL MX1(35,5),4/MX1(35,6),5/MX1(35,7),6/MX1(35,8),7
 INITIAL MX1(35,9),8/MX1(35,10),10/MX1(35,11),15
 INITIAL MX1(35,12),9/MX1(35,13),11/MX1(35,14),12
 INITIAL MX1(35,15),14/MX1(35,16),16/MX1(35,17),17
 INITIAL MX1(35,18),18

INITIAL MX1(36,1),13/MX1(36,2),1/MX1(36,3),2/MX1(36,4),3
 INITIAL MX1(36,5),4/MX1(36,6),5/MX1(36,7),6/MX1(36,8),7
 INITIAL MX1(36,9),8/MX1(36,10),10/MX1(36,11),15
 INITIAL MX1(36,12),9/MX1(36,13),11/MX1(36,14),12
 INITIAL MX1(36,15),14/MX1(36,16),16/MX1(36,17),17
 INITIAL MX1(36,18),18

*
 * OPTIDNAL INITIALIZATIDN OF FUEL LEVEL.
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INITIAL XF37-XF47,30000

*
 * DISPATCH FUNCTIONS FOR THE INPUTS. FUNCTIDN NUMBER REPRESENTS
 * INPUT STATIDNS AND THE FUNCTIDN CUMMULATIVE PRDBABILITY
 * CDRRESPDNDS TD THE DUTPUT STATIDN. A RANDDM NUMBER GENERATR
 * PRDDUCES VALUE TD BE USED IN THE FUNCTIDN.
 *

9 FUNCTIDN RN1,D10
 .1015,29/.1160,30/.5182,33/.5617,31/.6342,21/.6922,23/.7139,22/.7401,34
 ,9140,19/1.0,26

13 FUNCTIDN RN1,D10
 .0575,25/.2949,28/.3092,24/.3524,33/.3667,31/.3955,21/.4818,23/.5825,22
 ,9496,19/1.0,26

12 FUNCTION RN1,D9
 .0956,29/.1103,30/.1250,33/.2868,31/.5221,23/.6838,22/.7279,20/.9338,19
 1.0,26

11 FUNCTIDN RN1,D5
 .0553,29/.0599,30/.2350,31/.4101,23/1.0,22

8 FUNCTIDN RN1,D10
 .1092,29/.1223,30/.1529,33/.4236,31/.4542,21/.6289,23/.8560,22/.8647,20
 ,9782,19/1.0,26

17 FUNCTIDN RN1,DB
 ,2486,25/.2881,29/.2947,30/.5150,28/.5263,31/.5489,22/.9898,19/1.0,26

14 FUNCTIDN RN1,D6
 .0070,2B/.0211,21/.1B66,23/.2007,22/.9964,19/1.0,26

3 FUNCTIDN RN1,D6
 .0100,25/.0200,22/.0400,20/.B500,19/.9900,26/1.0,27

4 FUNCTIDN RN1,D2
 .0059,20/1.0,19

5 FUNCTIDN RN1,D2
 .0093,29/1.0,19

6 FUNCTIDN RN1,D1
 1.0,19

7 FUNCTION RN1,D2
 .0093,29/1.0,19

2 FUNCTIDN RN1,D3
 .5490,23/.6470,22/1.0,19

1B FUNCTIDN RN1,D5
 .2000,25/.4000,29/.6000,2B/.B000,19/1.0,27

15 FUNCTIDN RN1,D1
 1.0,19

16 FUNCTIDN RN1,D15
 .03B2,25/.1567,29/.1739,30/.1B35,2B/.1B73,24/.2427,33/.25B0,31/.414B,21
 .6165,23/.B531,22/.902B,20/.9047,34/.9324,32/.9B59,26/1.0,27

10 FUNCTIDN RN1,DB
 .0636,29/.0727,30/.2909,24/.7273,33/.7455,21/.9455,22/.9637,34/1.0,19

1 FUNCTIDN RN1,D7
 .1333,25/.3666,29/.3999,30/.6666,21/.7333,23/.B666,26/1.0,27

*
 * CDNVERSION DF VEHICLE STATUS (EITHER LOADED=1 DR UNLOADED=0)
 * TD A SAVEVALUE WHICH STDRES TDAL TRAVELLING TIME FDR BDTH.
 *

19 FUNCTIDN PF4,D2
 0,59/1,60

*
 * BDDLEAN VARIABLES WHICH ARE USED AT DECISION PDINTS TD
 * DETERMINE A VEHICLES RDUITE.
 *

1 BARIABLE PF2'E'3+PF2'E'21
 2 BARIABLE PF2'E'5+PF2'E'6+PF2'E'7+PF2'E'B
 3 BARIABLE PF2'E'5
 4 BARIABLE PF2'E'6
 5 BARIABLE PF2'E'7
 6 BARIABLE PF2'E'B
 7 BARIABLE PF2'E'13+PF2'E'30
 B BARIABLE PF2'E'33+PF2'E'17+PF2'E'34+PF2'E'1B

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9   BVARIABLE BV10'E'1+BV11'E'1+BV12'E'1+BV13'E'1
10  BVARIABLE XF7'G'0+XFB'G'0+XF9'G'0+XF10'G'0+XF11'G'0+XF12'G'0
11  BVARIABLE XF13'G'0+XF14'G'0+XF15'G'0+XF16'G'0+XF17'G'0
12  BVARIABLE XF1B'G'0
13  BVARIABLE XF1'G'0+XF2'G'0+XF3'G'0+XF4'G'0+XF5'G'0+XF6'G'0
14  BVARIABLE PF2'E'22+PF2'E'23+PF2'E'24+PF2'E'25+PF2'E'26
15  BVARIABLE PF2'E'26+PF2'E'10+PF2'E'27+PF2'E'28+PF2'E'11
16  BVARIABLE BV14'E'1+BV15'E'1
17  BVARIABLE PF2'E'19+PF2'E'1+PF2'E'20+PF2'E'2+PF2'E'3
18  BVARIABLE PF2'E'21+PF2'E'4+PF2'E'5+PF2'E'6+PF2'E'7+PF2'E'8
19  BVARIABLE BV17'E'1+BV18'E'1+BV20'E'1
20  BVARIABLE PF2'E'35+PF2'E'36
21  BVARIABLE PF2'E'5+PF2'D'6+PF2'E'7+PF2'E'8
22  BVARIABLE BV21'E'1+BV16'E'1

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*   MACROS SHOULD BE INSERTED HERE
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*   GENERATOR OF THE VEHICLES
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GENERATE 20,5,,B,,6PF
SAVEVALUE 61+,1,XF
ASSIGN 1,XF61,PF
ASSIGN 2,36,PF
SEIZE RP1
QUEUE 250
QUEUE (RP1+1)
SAVEVALUE (PF1+47),0,XF

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*
*   MAIN PROGRAM REPRESENTING THE GUIDEPATH THE VEHICLES WILL
*   FOLLOW
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TDP ADVANCE 0
TRVL MACRO PF1,6,SEC16,RP1
OUTPT MACRO SEC16,20,AP20,RP20,UNL20,3,3,50,020A,020B
GAS MACRO RP20,35,AP6,RP6,REFILL,1,1,6AS1,6AS2,600
PLACE MACRO RP6,36,APP,RPP,PARK,1,1,PLC1,PLC2
TRVL MACRO PF1,2B,SEC17,RPP

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TEST E BV1,1,J1

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INPT MACRO 50,IN3B,SEC17,3,AP3,RP3,INP3,31,2,IN3A
OUTPT MACRO RP3,21,AP21,RP21,UNL21,2,1B,50,021A,021B
TRVL MACRO PF1,49,SEC20,RP21
INPT MACRO 50,IN4D,SEC20,4,AP4,RP4,INP4,4,24,IN4C
TRANSFER ,L2

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J1 ADVANCE 0

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INPT	MACRO	50,IN2B,SEC17,2,AP2,RP2,INP2,4,4,IN2A
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,49,SEC20,RP2
INPT	MACRO	50,IN4B,SEC20,4,AP4,RP4,INP4,4,24,IN4A
L2	TEST E	BV22,0,J2
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,23,UP1,RP4
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,23,UP2,UP1
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,14,TSQU4,UP2
	TRANSFER	,L3
J2	TEST E	BV2,1,J3
	TEST E	BV3,1,J4
INPT	MACRO	50,IN5B,RP4,5,AP5,RP5,INP5,1B,16,IN5A
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,2,LINK,RP5
	TEST E	BV16,1,TSQU
OUTPT	MACRO	LINK,22,AP22,RP22,UNL22,7,2,50,022A,022B
	TRANSFER	,J5
J4	TEST E	BV4,1,J6
INPT	MACRO	50,IN6B,RP4,6,AP6,RP6,INP6,31,16,IN6A
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,2,LINK,RP6
	TEST E	BV16,1,TSQU
OUTPT	MACRO	LINK,22,AP22,RP22,UNL22,7,2,50,022C,022D
	TRANSFER	,J5
J6	TEST E	BV5,1,J7
INPT	MACRO	50,IN7B,RP4,7,AP7,RP7,INP7,42,16,IN7A
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,2,LINK,RP7
	TEST E	BV16,1,TSQU
OUTPT	MACRO	LINK,22,AP22,RP22,UNL22,7,2,50,022E,022F
	TRANSFER	,J5
J7	ADVANCE	0
INPT	MACRO	50,IN8B,RP4,8,AP8,RP8,INP8,49,16,IN8A
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,2,LINK,RP8
	TEST E	BV16,1,TSQU
OUTPT	MACRO	LINK,22,AP22,RP22,UNL22,7,2,50,022G,022H
	TRANSFER	,J5
J3	ADVANCE	0
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,3B,SEC21,RP4
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,2,LINK,SEC21
	TEST E	BV16,1,TSQU
OUTPT	MACRO	LINK,22,AP22,RP22,UNL22,7,2,50,022I,022J
J5	ADVANCE	0
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,14,SEC26,RP22
OUTPT	MACRO	SEC26,23,AP23,RP23,UNL23,2,4,50,023A,023B
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,14,SEC27,RP23
OUTPT	MACRO	SEC27,24,AP24,RP24,UNL24,4,4,50,024A,024B

TRVL	MACRO	PF1,2B,SEC2B,RP24
INPT	MACRO	50,IN9B,SEC2B,9,AP9,RP9,INP9,4,4,IN9A
PLACE	MACRO	RP9,36,APP2,RPP2,PARK,1,1,PLC3,PLC4
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,29,SEC1,RPP2
OUTPT	MACRO	SEC1,25,AP25,RP25,UNL25,3,3,50,025A,025B
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,12,SEC2,RP25
OUTPT	MACRO	SEC2,26,AP26,RP26,UNL26,3,4,50,026A,026B
INPT	MACRO	50,IN10B,RP26,10,AP10,RP10,INP10,4,6,IN10A
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,35,SEC3,RP10
OUTPT	MACRO	SEC3,27,AP27,RP27,UNL27,6,1,50,027A,027B
OUTPT	MACRO	RP27,2B,AP2B,RP2B,UNL2B,1,3,50,02BA,02BB
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,7,SEC4,RP2B
INPT	MACRO	50,IN11B,SEC4,11,AP11,RP11,INP11,3,5,IN11A
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,56,SEC5,RP11
INPT	MACRO	50,IN12B,SEC5,12,AP12,RP12,INP12,5,7,IN12A
RET2	ADVANCE	0
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,21,SEC6,RP12
TEST E		BV7,1,JB
INPT	MACRO	50,IN13B,SEC6,13,AP13,RP13,INP13,11,7,IN13A
OUTPT	MACRO	RP13,30,AP30,RP30,UNL30,7,8,50,030A,030B
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,14,SEC9,RP30
	TRANSFER	,J9
JB	ADVANCE	0
OUTPT	MACRO	SEC6,29,AP29,RP29,UNL29,B,3,50,029A,029B
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,14,SEC9,RP29
J9	ADVANCE	0
INPT	MACRO	50,IN14B,SEC9,14,AP14,RP14,INP14,3,7,IN14A
OUTPT	MACRO	RP14,31,AP31,RP31,UNL31,7,3,50,031A,031B
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,2B,SEC10,RP31
OUTPT	MACRO	SEC10S32,AP32,RP32,UNL32,3,2,50,032A,032B
INPT	MACRO	50,IS15B,RP32,15,AP15,RP15,INP15,2,6,IN15A
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,25,SEC11,RP15
TEST E		BVB,1,J10
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,2B,SEC13,SEC11
OUTPT	MACRO	SEC13,33,AP33,RP33,UNL33,6,4,50,033A,033B
INPT	MACRO	50,IN17B,RP33,17,AP17,RP17,INP17,4,2,IN17A
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,14,SEC14,RP17
OUTPT	MACRO	SEC14,34,AP34,RP34,UNL34,2,6,50,034A,034B
INPT	MACRO	50,IN18B,RP34,18,AP18,RP18,INP18,6,4,IN18A
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,1B,SEC15,RP18
	TRANSFER	,J11
J10	ADVANCE	0
INPT	MACRO	50,IN16B,SEC11,16,AP16,RP16,INP16,10,4,IN16A
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,1B,SEC15,RP16
J11	ADVANCE	0
OUTPT	MACRO	SEC15,19,AP19,RP19,UNL19,2,1,50,019A,019B
RET1	ADVANCE	0

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INPT  MACRO      50,IN1B,RP19,1,AP1,RP1,INP1,1,3,IN1A
      TRANSFER  ,TQP

TSQU  ADVANCE   0
TRVL  MACRO     PF1,14,TSQU1,LINK
TRVL  MACRO     PF1,14,TSQU2,TSQU1
TRVL  MACRO     PF1,14,TSQU3,TSQU2
TRVL  MACRO     PF1,14,TSQU4,TSQU3
L3    TEST E    BV19,0,HQR
TRVL  MACRO     PF1,12,TSQUH,TSQU4
TRVL  MACRO     PF1,13,TSQH1,TSQUH
TRVL  MACRO     PF1,53,TSQH2,TSQH1
INPT  MACRO     50,IN12Q,TSQH2,12,AP12,RP12,INP12,5,6,IN12C
      TRANSFER  ,RET2

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HQR   ADVANCE   0
TRVL  MACRO     PF1,25,TSQUV,TSQU4
TRVL  MACRO     PF1,25,TSQV2,TSQUV
TRVL  MACRO     PF1,25,TSQV3,TSQV2
TRVL  MACRO     PF1,29,TSQV4,TSQV3
TRVL  MACRO     PF1,25,TSQV5,TSQV4
OUTPT MACRO     TSQV5,19,AP19,RP19,UNL19,2,1,50,019C,019D
      TRANSFER  ,RET2

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*
* GENERATION OF JOBS FOR EACH INPUT. FROM GIVEN DATA THE
* NUMBER OF JOBS INPUTTED AT EACH INPUT STATION WAS KNOWN
* AND THE GENERATE BLOCKS BELOW CREATED JOBS AT A UNIFORM
* RATE TO SIMULATE A SHIFT'S WORTH.
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GENERATE 9600,960
SAVEVALUE 1+,1,XF
TERMINATE

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GENERATE 2824,282
SAVEVALUE 2+,1,XF
TERMINATE

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GENERATE 1440,144
SAVEVALUE 3+,1,XF
TERMINATE

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GENERATE 847,85
SAVEVALUE 4+,1,XF
TERMINATE

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GENERATE 2667,267
SAVEVALUE 5+,1,XF
TERMINATE

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GENERATE 3000,300
SAVEVALUE 6+,1,XF
TERMINATE

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GENERATE 2667,267

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SAVEVALUE 7+,1,XF
 TERMINATE

 GENERATE 629,63
 SAVEVALUE 8+,1,XF
 TERMINATE

 GENERATE 1043,104
 SAVEVALUE 9+,1,XF
 TERMINATE

 GENERATE 2618,262
 SAVEVALUE 10+,1,XF
 TERMINATE

 GENERATE 1327,133
 SAVEVALUE 11+,1,XF
 TERMINATE

 GENERATE 2118,212
 SAVEVALUE 12+,1,XF
 TERMINATE

 GENERATE 2072,207
 SAVEVALUE 13+,1,XF
 TERMINATE

 GENERATE 507,51
 SAVEVALUE 14+,1,XF
 TERMINATE

 GENERATE 10286,1029
 SAVEVALUE 15+,1,XF
 TERMINATE

 GENERATE 275,28
 SAVEVALUE 16+,1,XF
 TERMINATE

 GENERATE 1627,163
 SAVEVALUE 17+,1,XF
 TERMINATE

 GENERATE 28800,2880
 SAVEVALUE 18+,1,XF
 TERMINATE

*
 * CLOCK TO REGULATE ONE SHIFT OR 28800 SECONDS OF SIMULATION
 * TIME.
 *

GENERATE ,,,1
 LOGIC S 2
 SEIZE CLCK
 ADVANCE 28800
 RELEASE CLCK

TERMINATE 1
START 1
END

APPENDIX D

Example Program for Case 3

*
 * THIS EXAMPLE IS AFTER THE CUTOFFS HAD BEEN PUT IN.
 * BLOCK DIVISION HAD NOT YET BEEN PERFORMED.
 *
 * SIMULATE
 *
 *
 * GIVES EACH BLOCK OF TRACK, INPUT STATION, AND OUTPUT STATION
 * AN EQUIVALENT NUMERICAL VALUE. IN THIS WAY THE VEHICLE'S
 * WAITING TIME CAN BE MEASURED WHEN TRAVELLING LOADED (X)
 * OR TRAVELLING UNLOADED (X+1)
 *

Z24A	SYN	1
Z24B	SYN	3
AP7	SYN	5
INP7	SYN	7
RP7	SYN	9
AP8	SYN	11
INP8	SYN	13
RP8	SYN	15
AP33	SYN	17
UNL33	SYN	19
RP33	SYN	21
AP34	SYN	23
UNL34	SYN	25
RP34	SYN	27
AP35	SYN	29
UNL35	SYN	31
RP35	SYN	33
AP32	SYN	35
UNL32	SYN	37
RP32	SYN	39
AP9	SYN	41
INP9	SYN	43
RP9	SYN	45
AP40	SYN	53
UNL40	SYN	55
RP40	SYN	57
AP14	SYN	59
INP14	SYN	61
RP14	SYN	63
AP41	SYN	65
UNL41	SYN	67
RP41	SYN	69
AP42	SYN	71
UNL42	SYN	73
RP42	SYN	75
AP15	SYN	77
AP15A	SYN	79
INP15	SYN	81
RP15	SYN	83
AP16	SYN	85
INP16	SYN	87
RP16	SYN	89
AP17	SYN	91

INF17 SYN	93
RP17 SYN	95
AP43 SYN	97
UNL43 SYN	99
RP43 SYN	101
OT SYN	103
Z11 SYN	105
SEC53 SYN	107
AP36 SYN	109
UNL36 SYN	111
RP36 SYN	113
AP10 SYN	115
INP10 SYN	117
RP10 SYN	119
AP11 SYN	121
INP11 SYN	123
RP11 SYN	125
AP12 SYN	127
INP12 SYN	129
RP12 SYN	131
AP37 SYN	133
UNL37 SYN	135
RP37 SYN	137
AP38 SYN	139
UNL38 SYN	141
RP38 SYN	143
AP39 SYN	145
UNL39 SYN	147
RP39 SYN	149
AP13 SYN	151
INP13 SYN	153
RP13 SYN	155
SEC43 SYN	157
AP1 SYN	159
AP1A SYN	161
INP1 SYN	163
RP1 SYN	165
TD SYN	167
AP44 SYN	169
UNL44 SYN	171
RP44 SYN	173
AP18 SYN	175
INP18 SYN	177
RP18 SYN	179
AP45 SYN	181
UNL45 SYN	183
RP45 SYN	185
AP19 SYN	187
INP19 SYN	189
RP19 SYN	191
AP46 SYN	193
UNL46 SYN	195
RP46 SYN	197
AP20 SYN	199
INP20 SYN	201

RP20	SYN	203
AP50	SYN	205
UNL50	SYN	207
RP50	SYN	209
AP24	SYN	211
INP24	SYN	213
RP24	SYN	215
AP49	SYN	217
UNL49	SYN	221
RP49	SYN	223
AP23	SYN	227
INP23	SYN	229
RP23	SYN	235
Z18B	SYN	237
AP2	SYN	239
AP2A	SYN	241
INP2	SYN	243
RP2	SYN	245
RP2A	SYN	247
Z8	SYN	249
Z10	SYN	251
AP28	SYN	253
UNL28	SYN	255
RP28	SYN	257
AP29	SYN	259
UNL29	SYN	261
RP29	SYN	263
AP6	SYN	265
INP6	SYN	267
RP6	SYN	269
AP30	SYN	271
UNL30	SYN	273
RP30	SYN	275
AP31	SYN	277
UNL31	SYN	279
RP31	SYN	281
AP48	SYN	283
UNL48	SYN	285
RP48	SYN	287
AP22	SYN	289
INP22	SYN	291
RP22	SYN	293
AP47	SYN	295
UNL47	SYN	297
RP47	SYN	299
AP21	SYN	301
INP21	SYN	309
RP21	SYN	311
Z6A	SYN	313
AP4	SYN	315
INP4	SYN	317
RP4	SYN	319
AP27	SYN	321
UNL27	SYN	323
RP27	SYN	325

Z98	SYN	327
AP5	SYN	329
INP5	SYN	331
RP5	SYN	333
AP25	SYN	335
UNL25	SYN	337
RP25	SYN	339
Z23A	SYN	341
AP26	SYN	343
UNL26	SYN	345
RP26	SYN	347
AP3	SYN	349
INP3	SYN	353
RP3	SYN	355
Z11B	SYN	357
Z4	SYN	359
Z5	SYN	361
Z1	SYN	363
Z3	SYN	365
SECS8	SYN	367
Z13	SYN	369
Z12	SYN	371
Z9	SYN	373
PARK	SYN	381
APP	SYN	383
RPP	SYN	385

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* REALLOCATION OF COMPUTER SPACE NEEDED TO PERFORM RUN

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REALLOCATE COM,50000

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* DECLARATION OF MATRIX TO CONTAIN OUTPUT-TO-INPUT DISTANCES

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1 MATRIX MX,51,24

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* INITIALIZATION OF OUTPUT-TO-INPUT DISTANCE MATRIX. THE ROW
 * VALUE INDICATES THE OUTPUT STATION AND THE COLUMN VALUE THE
 * INPUT STATION. THE VALUE IN THAT MATRIX POSITION IS THE RANK
 * OF DISTANCES FROM THAT PARTICULAR OUTPUT (1=CLOSEST
 * 24=FURTHEST). THE ROW VALUE 51 REPRESENTS THE DISTANCE FROM
 * THE PARK AREA.

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* DISPATCH FUNCTIONS FOR THE INPUTS. FUNCTION NUMBER REPRESENTS
 * INPUT STATIONS AND THE FUNCTION CUMMULATIVE PROBABILITY
 * CORRESPONDS TO THE OUTPUT STATION. A RANOM NUMBER GENERATOR
 * PRODUCES VALUE TO BE USED IN THE FUNCTION.
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1 FUNCTION RN1,D9
 .014,28/.495,29/.569,47/.643,48/.717,44/.791,45/.865,49/.939,50/1.0,46

 2 FUNCTION RN1,08
 .216,27/.340,47/.464,48/.588,44/.712,45/.836,49/.960,50/1.0,46

 3 FUNCTION RN1,DB
 .632,43/.685,47/.738,48/.791,44/.844,45/.897,49/.949,50/1.0,46

 4 FUNCTION RN1,02
 .500,38/1.0,39

 5 FUNCTION RN1,08
 .073,30/.207,47/.341,48/.475,44/.609,45/.743,49/.878,50/1.0,46

 6 FUNCTION RN1,D9
 .007,43/.467,29/.537,47/.614,48/.691,44/.768,45/.845,49/.922,50/1.0,46

7 FUNCTION RN1,DB
.417,35/.500,47/.583,48/.666,44/.749,45/.832,49/.915,50/1.0,46

8 FUNCTION RN1,D7
.143,47/.286,48/.429,44/.572,45/.715,49/.858,50/1.0,46

9 FUNCTION RN1,D7
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10 FUNCTION RN1,DB
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11 FUNCTION RN1,DB
.820,43/.845,47/.869,48/.893,44/.917,45/.941,49/.965,50/1.0,46

12 FUNCTION RN1,DB
.821,43/.847,47/.873,48/.899,44/.925,45/.951,49/.977,50/1.0,46

13 FUNCTION RN1,DB
.064,27/.899,31/.916,47/.933,48/.950,44/.967,45/.984,49/1.0,50

14 FUNCTION RN1,DB
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15 FUNCTION RN1,D1
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16 FUNCTION RN1,D1
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17 FUNCTION RN1,D1
1.0,43

18 FUNCTION RN1,D18
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.582,34/.596,33/.610,34/.698,25/.769,26/.781,28/.785,29/.915,31
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19 FUNCTION RN1,D18
.029,41/.072,40/.104,42/.119,36/.141,37/.319,38/.497,39/.575,35
.582,34/.596,33/.610,34/.698,25/.769,26/.781,28/.785,29/.915,31
.944,30/1.0,46

20 FUNCTION RN1,D22
.009,41/.022,40/.031,42/.035,36/.044,37/.069,38/.094,39/.117,35
.119,34/.123,33/.127,34/.144,25/.165,26/.166,29/.296,31/.316,30
.430,47/.544,48/.678,44/.772,45/.886,49/1.0,50

21 FUNCTION RN1,D18
.029,41/.072,40/.104,42/.119,36/.141,37/.319,38/.497,39/.575,35
.582,34/.596,33/.610,34/.698,25/.769,26/.781,28/.785,29/.915,31
.944,30/1.0,46

22 FUNCTION RN1,018
.029,41/.072,40/.104,42/.119,36/.141,37/.319,38/.497,39/.575,35
.582,34/.596,33/.610,34/.698,25/.769,26/.781,28/.785,29/.915,31
.944,30/1.0,46

23 FUNCTION RN1,018
.029,41/.072,40/.104,42/.119,36/.141,37/.319,38/.497,39/.575,35
.582,34/.596,33/.610,34/.698,25/.769,26/.781,28/.785,29/.915,31
.944,30/1.0,46

24 FUNCTION RN1,D18
.029,41/.072,40/.104,42/.119,36/.141,37/.319,38/.497,39/.575,35
.582,34/.596,33/.610,34/.698,25/.769,26/.781,28/.785,29/.915,31
.944,30/1.0,46

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* CONVERSION OF VEHICLE STATUS (EITHER LOADED=1 OR UNLOADED=0)
* TO A SAVEVALUE WHICH STORES TOTAL TRAVELLING TIME FOR BOTH.
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25 FUNCTION PF4,D2
0,76/1,77

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* BOOLEAN VARIABLES WHICH ARE USED AT DECISION POINTS TO
* DETERMINE A VEHICLE' ROUTE.
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1 BVARIABLE PF2'E'9+PF2'E'32
2 BVARIABLE PF2'E'40+PF2'E'14+PF2'E'41+PF2'E'42+PF2'E'15+PF2'E'16_
+PF2'E'17+PF2'E'43
3 BVARIABLE PF2'E'15+PF2'E'16+PF2'E'17+PF2'E'43
4 BVARIABLE PF2'E'18+PF2'E'19+PF2'E'20+PF2'E'21+PF2'E'22+PF2'E'23_
+PF2'E'24+PF2'E'44+PF2'E'45+PF2'E'46+PF2'E'47+PF2'E'48_
+PF2'E'49+PF2'E'50+PF2'E'1
5 BVARIABLE PF2'E'2+PF2'E'28+PF2'E'29+PF2'E'6+PF2'E'30+PF2'E'31
6 BVARIABLE PF2'E'18+PF2'E'19+PF2'E'20+PF2'E'21+PF2'E'22+PF2'E'23_
+PF2'E'24+PF2'E'44+PF2'E'45+PF2'E'46+PF2'E'47+PF2'E'48_
+PF2'E'49+PF2'E'50+PF2'E'1
7 BVARIABLE PF2'E'1
8 BVARIABLE PF2'E'18+PF2'E'19+PF2'E'20+PF2'E'21+PF2'E'22+PF2'E'23_
+PF2'E'24+PF2'E'44+PF2'E'45+PF2'E'46+PF2'E'47+PF2'E'48_
+PF2'E'49+PF2'E'50
9 BVARIABLE PF2'E'2+PF2'E'28+PF2'E'29+PF2'E'6+PF2'E'30+PF2'E'31_
+PF2'E'18+PF2'E'19+PF2'E'20+PF2'E'21+PF2'E'22+PF2'E'23_
+PF2'E'24+PF2'E'44+PF2'E'45+PF2'E'46+PF2'E'47+PF2'E'48_
+PF2'E'49+PF2'E'50+PF2'E'1
10 BVARIABLE PF2'E'28+PF2'E'29+PF2'E'30+PF2'E'6+PF2'E'31
11 BVARIABLE PF2'E'28+PF2'E'29
12 BVARIABLE PF2'E'6+PF2'E'30+PF2'E'31+PF2'E'1_
+PF2'E'18+PF2'E'19+PF2'E'20+PF2'E'21+PF2'E'22+PF2'E'23_
+PF2'E'24+PF2'E'44+PF2'E'45+PF2'E'46+PF2'E'47+PF2'E'48_
+PF2'E'49+PF2'E'50
13 BVARIABLE PF2'E'46+PF2'E'20+PF2'E'23+PF2'E'49+PF2'E'24+PF2'E'50_
+PF2'E'6+PF2'E'30+PF2'E'31
14 BVARIABLE PF2'E'6+PF2'E'30+PF2'E'31+PF2'E'1_
+PF2'E'18+PF2'E'19+PF2'E'20+PF2'E'21+PF2'E'22+PF2'E'23_
+PF2'E'24+PF2'E'44+PF2'E'45+PF2'E'46+PF2'E'47+PF2'E'48_

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+PF2'E'49+PF2'E'50
15  BVARIABLE PF2'E'21+PF2'E'22+PF2'E'47+PF2'E'48
16  BVARIABLE PF2'E'4+PF2'E'27+PF2'E'5
17  BVARIABLE PF2'E'5+PF2'E'28+PF2'E'29+PF2'E'6+PF2'E'30+PF2'E'31_
+PF2'E'18+PF2'E'19+PF2'E'20+PF2'E'21+PF2'E'22+PF2'E'23_
+PF2'E'24+PF2'E'44+PF2'E'45+PF2'E'46+PF2'E'47+PF2'E'48_
+PF2'E'49+PF2'E'50+PF2'E'1+PF2'E'2
18  BVARIABLE PF2'E'3+PF2'E'26+PF2'E'5
19  BVARIABLE PF2'E'5+PF2'E'28+PF2'E'29+PF2'E'6+PF2'E'30+PF2'E'31_
+PF2'E'18+PF2'E'19+PF2'E'20+PF2'E'21+PF2'E'22+PF2'E'23_
+PF2'E'24+PF2'E'44+PF2'E'45+PF2'E'46+PF2'E'47+PF2'E'48_
+PF2'E'49+PF2'E'50+PF2'E'1+PF2'E'2
20  BVARIABLE PF2'E'7+PF2'E'8+PF2'E'9+PF2'E'32+PF2'E'33+PF2'E'34_
+PF2'E'35+PF2'E'36+PF2'E'10+PF2'E'11+PF2'E'12+PF2'E'37_
+PF2'E'40+PF2'E'14+PF2'E'41+PF2'E'42
21  BVARIABLE PF2'E'15+PF2'E'16+PF2'E'17+PF2'E'43
22  BVARIABLE XF1'G'0+XF2'G'0+XF3'G'0+XF4'G'0+XF5'G'0+XF6'G'0_
+XF7'G'0+XF8'G'0+XF9'G'0+XF10'G'0+XF11'G'0+XF12'G'0_
+XF13'G'0+XF14'G'0+XF15'G'0+XF16'G'0+XF17'G'0_
+XF18'G'0+XF19'G'0+XF20'G'0+XF21'G'0+XF22'G'0_
+XF23'G'0+XF24'G'0
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*   MACROS SHOULD BE INSERTED HERE
*
*
*   GENERATOR OF THE VEHICLES.
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*
*       GENERATE 100,5,,22,,6PF
*       SAVEVALUE 91+,1,XF
*       ASSIGN 1,,XF91,PF
*       ASSIGN 2,51,PF
*       SEIZE 1248
*       QUEUE (1248+1)
*       QUEUE 350
*       SAVEVALUE (PF1+50),0,XF
*
*   MAIN PROGRAM REPRESENTING THE GUIDEPATH THE VEHICLES WILL
*   FOLLOW
*
J37  ADVANCE 0

TRVL  MACRO PF1,3,Z24A,Z248
      TEST E BV1,0,J1

INPT  MACRO 50,IN7B,Z24A,7,AP7,RP7,INP7,12,14,IN7A
INPT  MACRO 50,INBB,RP7,B,APB,RPB,INPB,15,2,IN8A
OUTPT MACRO RPB,33,AP33,RP33,UNL33,2,1,50,033A,033B
OUTPT MACRO RP33,34,AP34,RP34,UNL34,1,27,50,034A,034B
OUTPT MACRO RP34,35,AP35,RP35,UNL35,15,11,50,035A,035B
      TRANSFER ,J2

J1    ADVANCE 0
OUTPT MACRO Z24A,32,AP32,RP32,UNL32,41,7,50,032A,032B

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INPT	MACRO	50,IN9B,RP32,9,AP9,RP9,INP9,7,41,IN9A
OUTPT	MACRO	RP9,35,AP35,RP35,UNL35,15,11,50,035C,035D
J2	TEST E	BV2,1,J3
OUTPT	MACRO	RP35,40,AP40,RP40,UNL40,36,2,50,040A,040B
INPT	MACRO	50,IN14B,RP40,14,AP14,RP14,INP14,2,8,IN14A
OUTPT	MACRO	RP14,41,AP41,RP41,UNL41,8,10,50,041A,041B
OUTPT	MACRO	RP41,42,AP42,RP42,UNL42,10,9,50,042A,042B
INPT	MACRO	50,IN15B,RP42,15,AP15,RP15,INP15,10,4,IN15A
INPT	MACRO	50,IN16B,RP15,16,AP16,RP16,INP16,44,21,IN16A
	TRANSFER	,J5
J4	ADVANCE	0
INPT	MACRO	50,IN15D,RP37,15,AP15A,RP15,INP15,29,4,IN15C
J39	ADVANCE	0
INPT	MACRO	50,IN16D,RP15,16,AP16,RP16,INP16,44,21,IN16C
J5	ADVANCE	0
INPT	MACRO	50,IN17B,RP16,17,AP17,RP17,INP17,21,9,IN17A
OUTPT	MACRO	RP17,43,AP43,RP43,UNL43,9,14,50,043A,043B
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,15,DT,RP43
J29	TEST E	BV4,0,J6
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,22,Z11,DT
	TRANSFER	,J10
J6	ADVANCE	0
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,22,SEC53,DT
	TRANSFER	,J11
J3	ADVANCE	0
OUTPT	MACRO	RP35,36,AP36,RP36,UNL36,6,2,50,036A,036B
INPT	MACRO	50,IN10B,RP36,10,AP10,RP10,INP10,2,3,IN10A
INPT	MACRO	50,IN11B,RP10,11,AP11,RP11,INP11,3,2,IN11A
INPT	MACRO	50,IN12B,RP11,12,AP12,RP12,INP12,3,10,IN12A
OUTPT	MACRO	RP12,37,AP37,RP37,UNL37,11,34,50,037A,037B
	TEST E	BV3,0,J4
OUTPT	MACRO	RP37,38,AP38,RP38,UNL38,6,31,50,038A,038B
J40	ADVANCE	0
OUTPT	MACRO	RP38,39,AP39,RP39,UNL39,31,3,50,039A,039B
INPT	MACRO	50,IN13B,RP39,13,AP13,RP13,INP13,2,1,IN13A
	TEST E	BV5,0,J7
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,24,SEC43,RP13
	TEST E	BV6,1,J8
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,22,SEC53,SEC43
J11	TEST E	BV7,1,J12
INPT	MACRO	50,IN18,SEC53,1,AP1,RP1,INP1,6,1,IN1A
J19	TEST E	BV8,1,J13
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,6,TD,RP1
OUTPT	MACRO	TD,44,AP44,RP44,UNL44,52,1,50,044A,044B
	TRANSFER	,J14

J12	ADVANCE	0
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,6,SEC3,SEC53
OUTPT	MACRO	SEC3,44,AP44,RP44,UNL44,52,1,50,044C,044D
J14	ADVANCE	0
INPT	MACRO	50,IN188,RP44,18,AP18,RP18,INP18,6,24,IN18A
OUTPT	MACRO	RP18,45,AP45,RP45,UNL45,24,1,50,045A,045B
INPT	MACRO	50,IN198,RP45,19,AP19,RP19,INP19,1,21,1N19A
	TEST E	BV13,1,J23
J28	ADVANCE	0
OUTPT	MACRO	RP19,46,AP46,RP46,UNL46,42,5,50,046A,046B
INPT	MACRO	50,IN208,RP46,20,AP20,RP20,INP20,4,36,IN20A
OUTPT	MACRO	RP20,50,AP50,RP50,UNL50,35,1,50,050A,050B
INPT	MACRO	50,IN248,RP50,24,AP24,RP24,INP24,1,42,IN24A
OUTPT	MACRO	RP24,49,AP49,RP49,UNL49,41,1,50,049A,049B
INPT	MACRO	50,IN238,RP49,23,AP23,RP23,INP23,1,69,1N23A
	TEST E	BV14,1,J24
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,2,Z188,RP23
	TRANSFER	,J25
J8	ADVANCE	0
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,22,Z11,SEC43
J10	ADVANCE	0
INPT	MACRO	50,IN28,Z11,2,AP2,RP2,INP2,15,3,IN2A
J15	TEST E	BV9,1,J16
INPT	MACRO	50,IN2F,RP2,2,AP2A,RP2A,INP2,4,4,IN2E
J17	TEST E	BV10,1,J18
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,28,Z8,RP2A
	TEST E	BV11,1,J20
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,9,Z10,Z8
OUTPT	MACRO	Z10,28,AP28,RP28,UNL28,15,2,50,028A,028B
J32	ADVANCE	0
OUTPT	MACRO	RP28,29,AP29,RP29,UNL29,2,13,50,029A,029B
	TEST E	BV12,1,J21
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,2,Z188,RP29
J25	ADVANCE	0
INPT	MACRO	50,IN60,Z188,6,AP6,RP6,INP6,2,2,1N6C
J22	ADVANCE	0
OUTPT	MACRO	RP6,30,AP30,RP30,UNL30,2,2,50,030A,030B
OUTPT	MACRO	RP30,31,AP31,RP31,UNL31,2,10,50,031A,031B
INPT	MACRO	50,1N1F,RP31,1,AP1,RP1,1NP1,10,1,1N1E
	TRANSFER	,J19
J23	TEST E	BV15,1,J26
J27	ADVANCE	0
OUTPT	MACRO	RP19,48,AP48,RP48,UNL48,37,1,50,048A,048B
INPT	MACRO	50,1N228,RP48,22,AP22,RP22,INP22,1,24,IN22A
OUTPT	MACRO	RP22,47,AP47,RP47,UNL47,24,1,50,047A,047B

INPT	MACRO	50, IN21B, RP47, 21, AP21, RP21, INP21, 1, 39, IN21A
TRVL	MACRO	PF1, 15, OT, RP21
	TRANSFER	, J29
J16	ADVANCE	0
PLACE	MACRO	RP2, 51, APP, RPP, PARK, 1, 1, PLC1, PLC2
TRVL	MACRO	PF1, 36, Z6A, RPP
	TEST E	BV16, 1, J30
INPT	MACRO	50, IN4B, Z6A, 4, AP4, RP4, INP4, 20, 4, IN4A
OUTPT	MACRO	RP4, 27, AP27, RP27, UNL27, 3, 4, 50, 027A, 027B
	TEST E	BV17, 1, J31
TRVL	MACRO	PF1, 14, Z9B, RP27
INPT	MACRO	50, IN5B, Z9B, 5, AP5, RP5, INP5, 1B, 4, IN5A
J35	ADVANCE	0
OUTPT	MACRO	RP5, 2B, AP2B, RP2B, UNL2B, 15, 2, 50, 028C, 028D
	TRANSFER	, J32
J30	ADVANCE	0
OUTPT	MACRO	Z6A, 25, AP25, RP25, UNL25, 6, 6, 50, 025A, 025B
TRVL	MACRO	PF1, 11, Z23A, RP25
J36	TEST E	BV1B, 1, J33
OUTPT	MACRO	Z23A, 26, AP26, RP26, UNL26, 18, 5, 50, 026A, 026B
INPT	MACRO	50, IN3B, RP26, 3, AP3, RP3, INP3, 4, 4, IN3A
	TEST E	BV19, 1, J34
TRVL	MACRO	PF1, 36, Z11B, RP3
INPT	MACRO	50, IN5D, Z11B, 5, AP5, RP5, INP5, 1B, 4, IN5C
	TRANSFER	, J35
J31	ADVANCE	0
TRVL	MACRO	PF1, 11, Z4, RP27
TRVL	MACRO	PF1, 30, Z5, Z4
J41	ADVANCE	0
TRVL	MACRO	PF1, 11, Z23A, Z5
	TRANSFER	, J36
J33	ADVANCE	0
TRVL	MACRO	PF1, 15, Z24B, Z23A
	TEST E	BV20, 0, J37
TRVL	MACRO	PF1, 22, Z1, Z24B
	TEST E	BV21, 1, J38
INPT	MACRO	50, IN15F, Z1, 15, AP15, RP15, INP15, 29, 4, IN15E
	TRANSFER	, J39
J38	ADVANCE	0
OUTPT	MACRO	Z1, 3B, AP3B, RP3B, UNL3B, 6, 31, 50, 038C, 038D
	TRANSFER	, J40
J34	ADVANCE	0
TRVL	MACRO	PF1, 11, Z3, RP3

TRVL	MACRO	PF1,30,Z5,Z3
	TRANSFER	,J41
J13	ADVANCE	0
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,6,SEC5B,RP1
INPT	MACRO	50,IN2D,SEC5B,2,AP2,RP2,INP2,15,3,IN2C
	TRANSFER	,J15
J7	ADVANCE	0
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,22,Z13,RP13
INPT	MACRO	50,IN2H,Z13,2,AP2A,RP2A,INP2,4,4,IN2G
	TRANSFER	,J17
J1B	ADVANCE	0
INPT	MACRO	50,IN1D,RP2A,1,AP1A,RP1,INP1,25,1,IN1C
	TRANSFER	,J19
J21	ADVANCE	0
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,22,Z12,RP29
INPT	MACRO	50,IN2J,Z12,2,AP2,RP2,INP2,15,3,IN2I
	TRANSFER	,J15
J20	ADVANCE	0
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,25,Z9,ZB
INPT	MACRO	50,IN6B,Z9,6,AP6,RP6,INP6,2,2,IN6A
	TRANSFER	,J22
J24	ADVANCE	0
TRVL	MACRO	PF1,22,Z12,RP23
INPT	MACRO	50,IN2L,Z12,2,AP2,RP2,INP2,15,3,IN2K
	TRANSFER	,J15
J26	ADVANCE	0
	TRANSFER	.5,,J27
	TRANSFER	,J2B

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* GENERATION OF JOBS FOR EACH INPUT. FROM GIVEN DATA THE
 * NUMBER OF JOBS INPUTTED AT EACH INPUT STATION WAS KNOWN
 * AND THE GENERATE BLOCKS BELOW CREATED JOBS AT A UNIFORM
 * RATE TO SIMULATE A SHIFT'S WORTH.

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GENERATE 224,22
 SAVEVALUE 1+,1,XF
 TERMINATE

GENERATE 394,39
 SAVEVALUE 2+,1,XF
 TERMINATE

GENERATE 1263,126
 SAVEVALUE 3+,1,XF
 TERMINATE

GENERATE	2400,240
SAVEVALUE	4+,1,XF
TERMINATE	
GENERATE	3512,351
SAVEVALUE	5+,1,XF
TERMINATE	
GENERATE	966,97
SAVEVALUE	6+,1,XF
TERMINATE	
GENERATE	12000,1200
SAVEVALUE	7+,1,XF
TERMINATE	
GENERATE	13714,1371
SAVEVALUE	8+,1,XF
TERMINATE	
GENERATE	13714,1371
SAVEVALUE	9+,1,XF
TERMINATE	
GENERATE	3692,369
SAVEVALUE	10+,1,XF
TERMINATE	
GENERATE	1180,118
SAVEVALUE	11+,1,XF
TERMINATE	
GENERATE	324,32
SAVEVALUE	12+,1,XF
TERMINATE	
GENERATE	610,61
SAVEVALUE	13+,1,XF
TERMINATE	
GENERATE	1358,136
SAVEVALUE	14+,1,XF
TERMINATE	
GENERATE	1800,180
SAVEVALUE	15+,1,XF
TERMINATE	
GENERATE	1152,115
SAVEVALUE	16+,1,XF
TERMINATE	

GENERATE 1152,115
SAVEVALUE 17+,1,XF
TERMINATE

GENERATE 435,44
SAVEVALUE 18+,1,XF
TERMINATE

GENERATE 435,44
SAVEVALUE 19+,1,XF
TERMINATE

GENERATE 288,29
SAVEVALUE 20+,1,XF
TERMINATE

GENERATE 435,44
SAVEVALUE 21+,1,XF
TERMINATE

GENERATE 435,44
SAVEVALUE 22+,1,XF
TERMINATE

GENERATE 435,44
SAVEVALUE 23+,1,XF
TERMINATE

GENERATE 435,44
SAVEVALUE 24+,1,XF
TERMINATE

*
* CLOCK TO REGULATE ONE SHIFT OR 28800 SECONDS OF TIME.
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GENERATE ,,2
LOGIC S 2
SEIZE CLCK
ADVANCE 28800
RELEASE CLCK
TERMINATE 1
START 1
RESET
START 1
END

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ABSTRACT

This thesis proposes a standardized approach for the pre-installation design and evaluation of Advanced Guided Vehicle Systems (AGVS).

The first step was to develop an evaluation tool. Using GPSS-H, a transaction based simulation language, unique macros were developed that emulated certain features of a AGVS. The macros pieced together like building blocks provided a facsimile of an actual system.

A simple system was evaluated by using the statistics gathered by the GPSS-H package. From these statistics the concepts of system utilization, system efficiency, and reserve capacity were developed.

Procedural steps were developed to be able to create a workable AGVS. A real-life situation was used and the techniques developed were loadfeet directioning, vehicle estimating, cutoff implementation, and block division. From the development of these techniques a proposal for a guidepath layout and the number of vehicles required was obtained.

The implementation of both the procedural steps and the evaluation techniques were applied to a more complicated system. Again the problem was a real-life situation. The procedural steps were applied and a workable AGVS was developed. Each step was evaluated using the GPSS-H macros and its effect monitored through the number of vehicles needed, system utilization, and system efficiency.