

Simulation Analysis and Optimization of a Quality Inspection and Engineering Services Company

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Abstract

Simulation is an imitation of the occurrences of events in a system that allows a system to be modeled & analyzed to evaluate and develop a good-performing system. The paper uses discrete event simulation (DES) to model the current system, and then modifications to that system are made using Arena software. This paper analyzes bottlenecks in various quality inspection and engineering services processes, capacity, constraints, and evaluates the plant's performance. Once the model is developed and assessed, different development scenarios will be used for improvement.

Keywords

Discrete Event Simulation (DES), Arena, Input Analyzer, Process Analyzer.

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