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Originator of the simulation language GPSS.

When the GPSS language first appeared, Geoffrey Gordon was manager of Simulation Development in the Advanced Systems Development Division of IBM, soon after joining the corporation from the Bell Telephone Laboratories. The division had been formed principally to investigate the design and application of information processing systems using telecommunications. Simulation was an essential tool for studying these complex systems, both for the design of the systems themselves and for understanding

the impact of the systems on the organizations that were to use them.<sup>1</sup>

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