

#### Project Scheduling and Earned Value 101

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#### What is Project Scheduling



- A schedule is fundamentally the decomposition of a project Work Breakdown Structure (WBS).
- The most widely used scheduling technique is the critical path method (CPM).
- CPM is mathematical analysis, which can be used on all types of projects that can be represented as *a list of activities, each with an estimated duration, single or three-point*.
- In addition, the dependencies between activities need to be defined, as do the resources required to deliver the scope of each activity.





- CPM was developed in the late 1950s by Morgan R. Walker of DuPont and James E. Kelley Jr. of Remington Rand.
- Kelley attributed the term "Critical Path" to the developers of the Program Evaluation and Review Technique (PERT). This was developed at about the same time by Booz Allen Hamilton and the U.S. Navy.
- The precursors of what came to be known as Critical Path were developed and put into practice by DuPont between 1940 and 1943 and contributed to the success of the Manhattan Project.



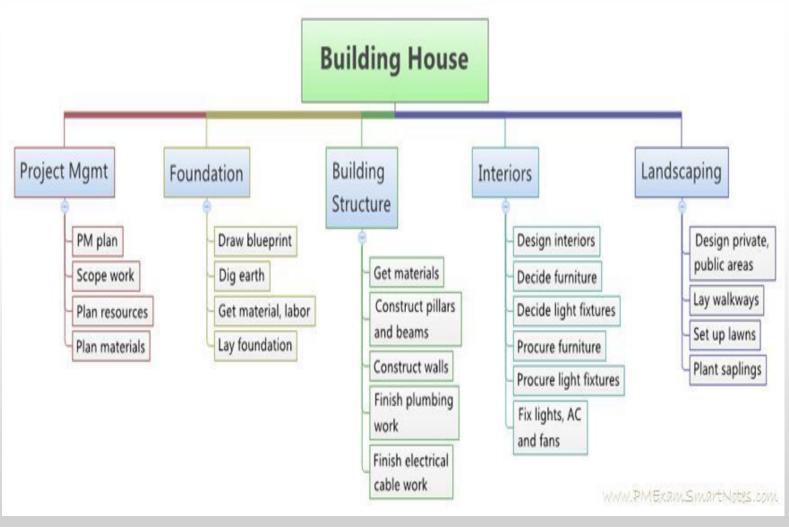
#### What is a WBS

- The WBS identifies the major functional deliverables
- These deliverables are subdivided into smaller systems and subdeliverables.
- The Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK), an internationally recognized collection of processes and knowledge areas, defines the WBS as a "deliverable oriented hierarchical decomposition of the work to be executed by the project team."

The WBS visually defines the scope into manageable chunks that a project team can understand, as each level of the WBS provides further definition and detail.







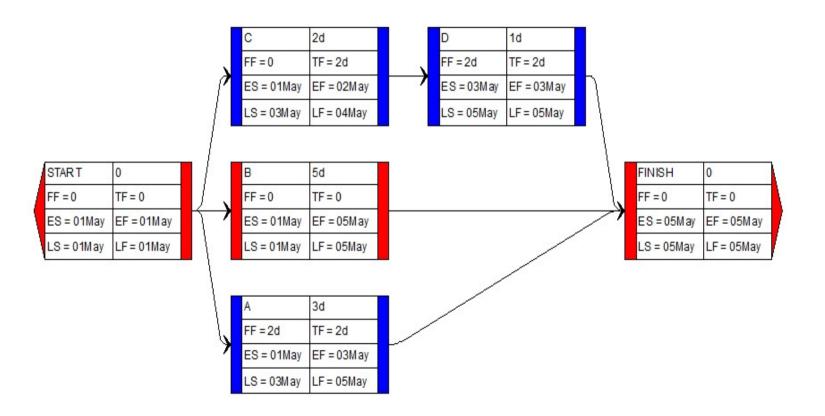
#### **Project Critical Path**



- The Project Management Body of Knowledge defines the critical path calculated using *CPM as "the sequence of scheduled activities that determines the duration of the project."*
- It is the longest sequence of tasks in a project plan. If there is a delay in any task on the critical path, then the project will be delayed.
- Total Float is the amount of time that an activity can be delayed from its early start date without delaying the project finish date.
- Free Float is the amount of time that an activity can be delayed without delaying the early start date of any successor activity.

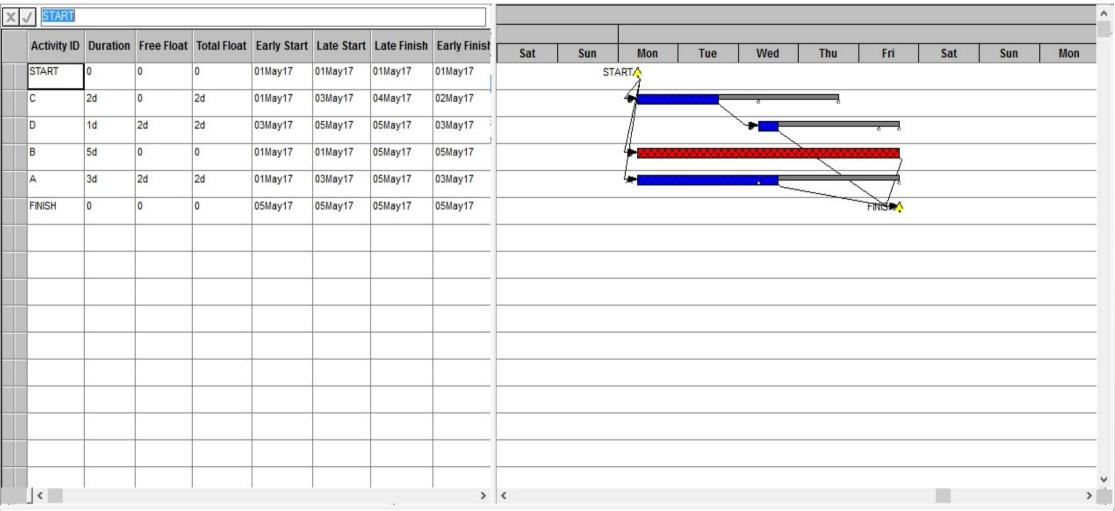


### **Project Critical Path**





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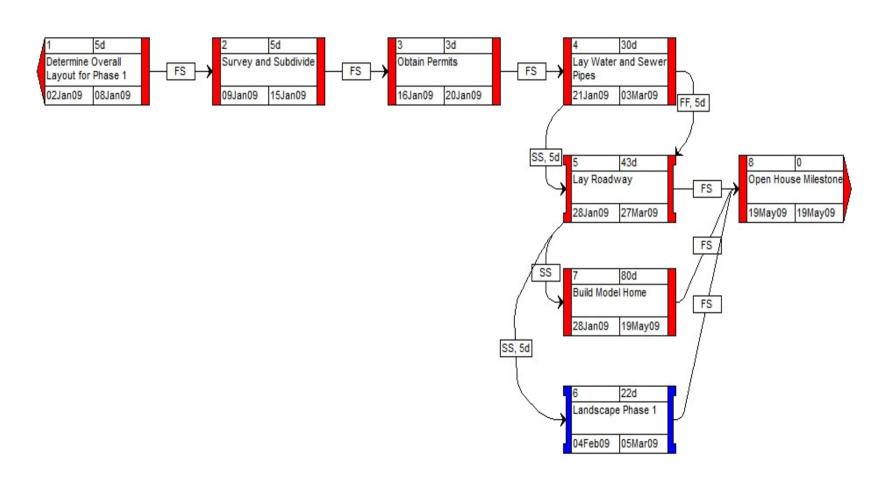
# Project Schedule Dependencies Connexion



- Finish to Start (FS) Predecessor must finish before Successor can start. [Can't lay water and sewer pipes until permits have been obtained]
- Start to Start (SS) Predecessor must start before Successor can start. [Can't start laying roadway until laying of water and sewer pipes has started]
- Finish to Finish (FF) Predecessor must finish before Successor can finish. [Can't finish laying roadway until laying of water and sewer pipes has finished']
- Start to Finish (SF) Predecessor must start before Successor can finish. [A baby sitter can't finish minding the child until a parent returns and starts minding the child

# Project Schedule Dependencies Connexion





#### Project Schedule Constraints



- Can apply to either an activity start or finish. Constraint types include:
  - Start Not Farlier Than
  - Start Not Earlier Than
  - Start On
  - Finish Not Later Than
  - Finish Not Earlier Than
  - Finish On
- CPM is deigned to calculate a Critical Path using activity estimated durations and dependencies.
- The use of constraints may impact the integrity of the CPM calculations, as well as generate negative float.

#### Project Schedule Resources



- The calculation of the Critical Path does not take into account the resources required to delver the scope of each activity defined in the schedule.
- Resources can be typically categorised as:
  - Labour
  - Material
  - Subcontract
  - Other Directs Costs
- The development of a project schedule requires the allocation of resources to all activities which will deliver an output. Milestone activities would not ordinarily have resources allocated as they are activities of zero duration that represent an event.
- A "Payment" type milestone may have budget allocated to it, which would be assigned as a resource.

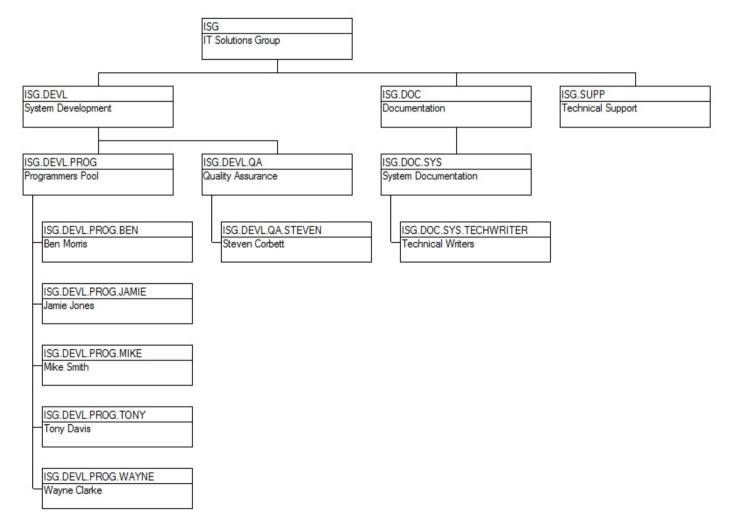
#### Project Schedule Resources



- Once the allocation of resources is complete, they are aggregated on a periodic basis which may be daily, weekly or monthly, as appropriate.
- The aggregated data is often presented in a histogram that illustrates the fluctuating use of resources against time.
- It is at this stage of the development of the schedule that a **detailed comparison of resources required to complete the project scope, versus the resources available is undertaken**.
- The analysis may show that during the project lifecycle, there are periods where there are *insufficient resources available to start all activities on or before their Late Start Date*.



#### Project Resources







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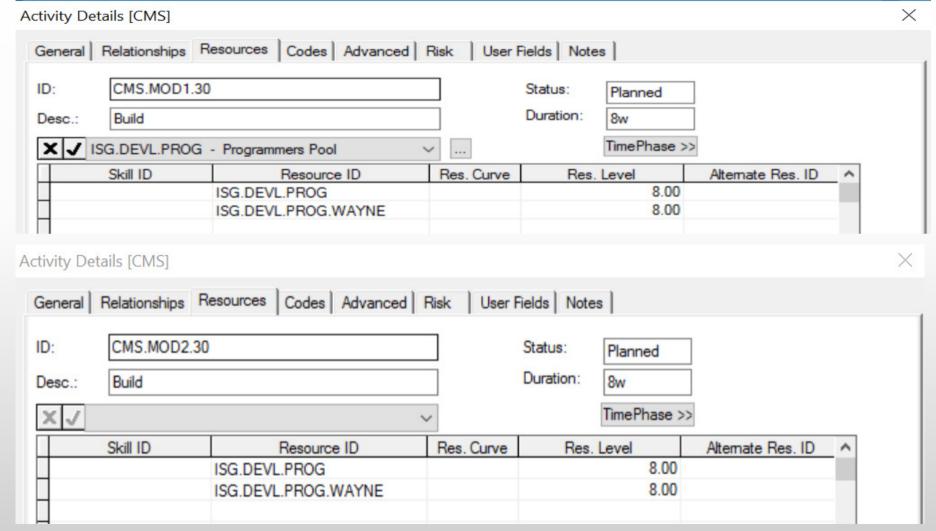


#### **Project Schedule**



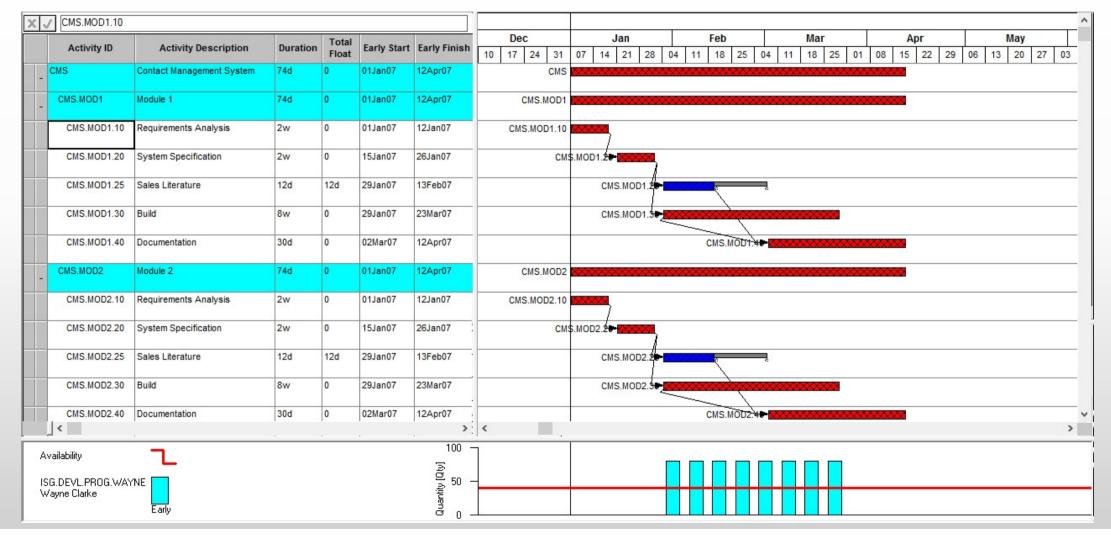
#### Project Schedule Resource Allocations





# Project Schedule Resource Aggregation Connexion





#### Project Resource Scheduling Methods



#### Time Limited

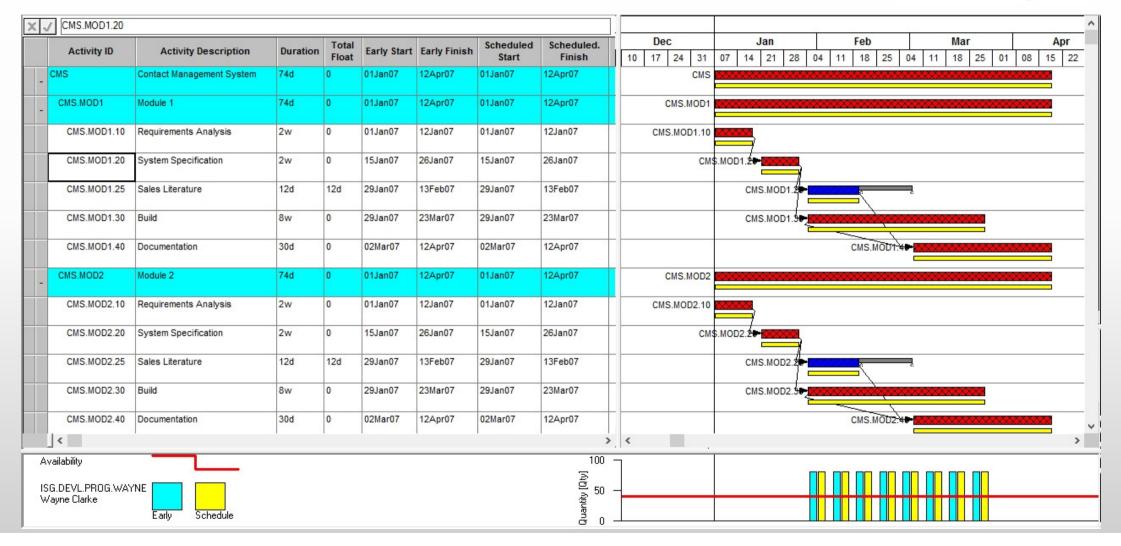
- Places a priority on maintaining the project completion date, while attempting to minimise the extent to which any resource is over-utilised.
- Constraints on resource availabilities will not delay the completion date of the project. As a result, resources may be overloaded if doing so prevents an activity from finishing after its late finish date.
- Time-limited resource scheduling places all scheduled dates between the early and late dates of activities. Thus, only activities not on the project critical path can be delayed by resource constraints.

#### Resource Limited

- Places a priority on preventing the over-utilisation of resources, even if that means exceeding the project completion date.
- The results of Resource-limited scheduling would ordinarily be analysed (and acted on) prior to any commitment being made with regard to the projected project completion date.

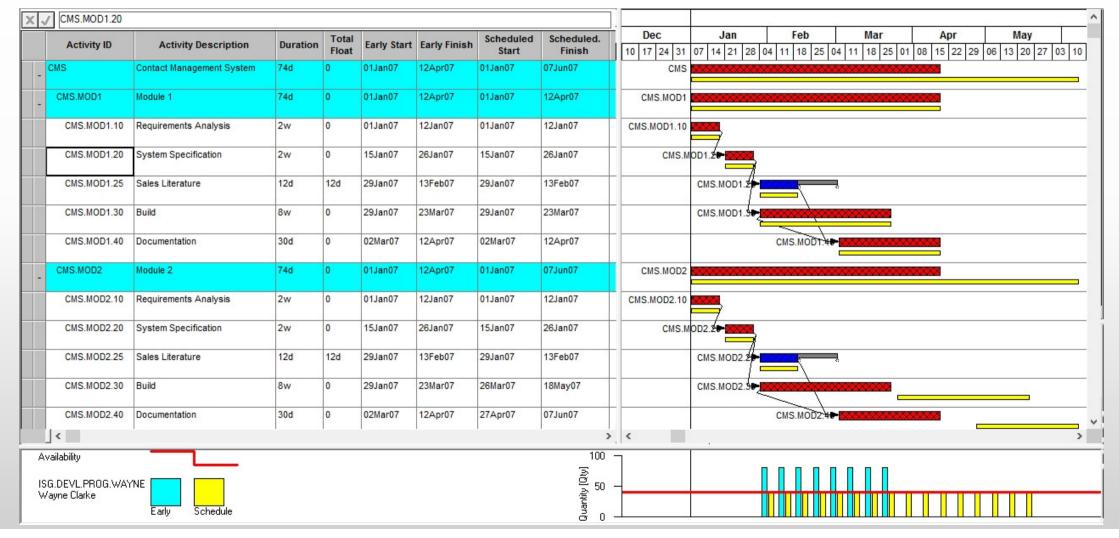
# Project Resource Scheduling-Time Limited Connexion





# Project Resource Scheduling–Resource Limited Connexion





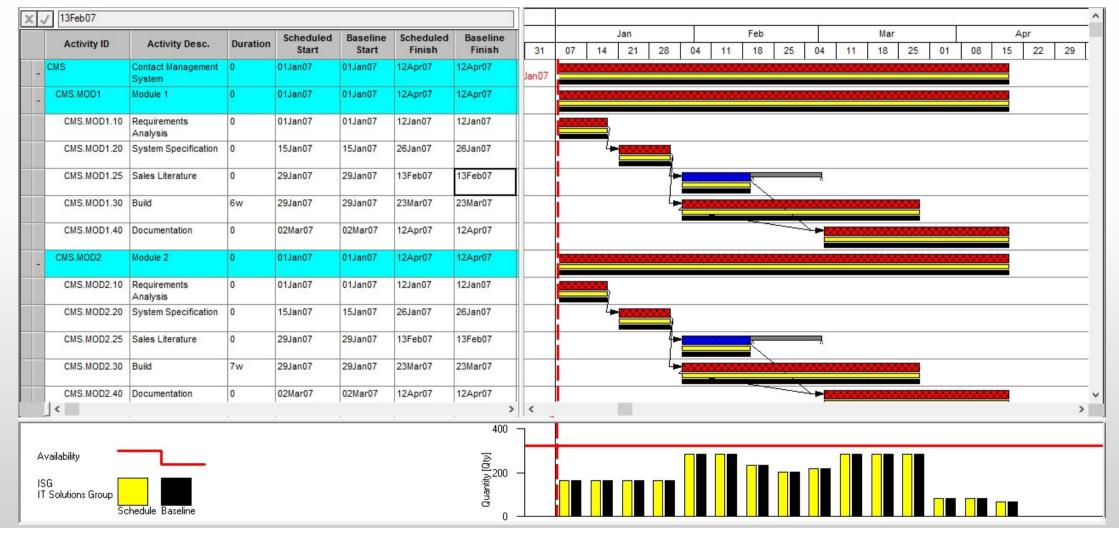
#### Project Schedule Baseline



- The approved version of a schedule model that can be changed only through formal change control procedures, e.g. Baseline Change Request (BCR).
- The project's baseline is used for *variance analysis purposes*, i.e. how performance deviates from the Baseline schedule.
- Variance analysis will only be meaningful if the Baseline is an accurate representation of the original scope, cost and schedule.
- Project management involves the *planning of activities for which there may be a dearth* of validated metrics and data, upon which to base estimates of scope delivery time.
- The subjective knowledge of the project planners plays an important role in assessing uncertainties of scope delivery time estimates. Generally, we are concerned with quantifying the uncertainty associated with an estimate of the duration of an activity.









#### Project Schedule Progress

- A great deal of effort is expended in creating a project schedule, yet the same level of vigour and discipline is not always applied in maintaining it during the execution phase of the project.
- It is critical that throughout the project lifecycle, the project schedule is an accurate representation of the remaining work required to complete the approved (current) scope.
- Project-based organisations typically have well-defined procedures for collecting progress on a periodic basis and using it to update their project controls systems.





- Work has started on the project. You are receiving (hopefully!) status information on the activities and resources. Management wants to know how that status compares.
  - Has the activity started? If so, when?
  - Has the activity ended? If so, when?
  - If the activity has started but not yet ended, what is the estimated remaining activity duration and resource remaining requirement?
- Types of activity progress
  - Actual Start The actual start date for the activity.
  - Actual Finish The date on which the activity actually finished.





- Types of activity progress
  - Remaining Duration This field represents the duration remaining for the activity. This value is used to calculate the values in the Elapsed Duration and Percent Complete fields.
  - **Elapsed Duration** Represents the amount of the original duration that has elapsed. This value is used to calculate the values in the Remaining Duration and Percent Complete fields.
  - Percent Complete The percent of the original activity duration that is complete. Any value you enter in this field is used to calculate the values in the Remaining Duration and Elapsed Duration fields.
- Which is best?

### Project Schedule Progress



Activity ID	Actual Start	Actual Finish	Progress Type	Progress Value
CMS.MOD1.10	01Jan07	12Jan07	Complete	100%
CMS.MOD1.20	15Jan07		Remaining Duration	7d
CMS.MOD2.10	01Jan07		Remaining Duration	5d
CMS.MOD2.20	18Jan07 -	Out of Sequence	Remaining Duration	8d
CMS.MOD1.25			Planned	0
CMS.MOD1.30			Planned	0
CMS.MOD1.40			Planned	0
CMS.MOD2.25			Planned	0
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#### Project Schedule Estimated Durations



- Project management involves the planning and coordination of activities for which there are often a *dearth of validated metrics and data, upon which to base estimates of scope delivery time*.
- As a result, there may be considerable uncertainty in the accuracy of the
  activity durations specified in the project schedule. An alternative to the
  use of a single-point activity estimated duration, is to attempt to quantify
  the uncertainty by allowing the definition of a three-point activity
  duration estimate.
- This is comprised of a *best-case, most-likely case, and a worst-case estimate of the activity duration*. In addition to specifying a three-point activity duration, a probability duration shape is specified.

### Project Schedule Estimated Durations



- Using a method known as *Monte Carlo Analysis*, we can model the impact of activity duration uncertainty on the project completion date.
- Instead of running Critical Path Analysis once based on a single point activity duration for each activity, we simulate the project several hundred or several thousand times. Each time, we use a different activity duration sampled from the probability distributions of these uncertain values.
- The sampling is done so that the probability of selecting a particular duration in the simulation is the same as our subjective estimate of the probability of that value actually occurring. With definite values for activity duration, such things as project completion date can be calculated for each trial.



Activity Details [CMS_RISK]				$\times$
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ID: CMS.MOD3		Status:	Planned	
Desc.: Integration		Duration:	4w	
Duration  Shape: Triangular	✓ Key Activity			
Optimistic: 3w Pessimistic: 10w	Probability of Occurrence:			

- **Duration** This value corresponds to the mode for the probability distribution of the duration.
- Optimistic This is the minimum estimated duration for the activity.
- **Pessimistic** This is the maximum estimated duration for the activity.



#### Probability Shapes

- **Beta** probable outcomes cluster around the mode value of the distribution. Outcomes at the extreme values of the distribution are very unlikely.
- Normal probable outcomes cluster symmetrically around the centre of the distribution.
- **Triangular** probable outcomes cluster around the mode value of the distribution. Outcomes close to minimum and maximum values of the distribution still possess a significant probability.
- Uniform each outcome is equally likely.
- There is little in nature that has a triangular distribution but it is a good approximation to the day-to-day events that occur in projects.
- As regards to the choice of the probability distribution shape for the activity duration, the asymmetric triangular distribution is often the most appropriate – Why?



	Activity ID	Activity Desc.	Duration Distribution Type	Optimistic Duration	Original Duration	Pessimistic Duration	Mean Early Start	Early Finish	Early Finish 5%	Mean Early Finish	Early Finish 95%	Std. Dev. o Early Finish
-	CMS	Warfare System	None	0	94d	0	01Jan07	10May07	01May07	23May07	14Jun07	8d
-	CMS.MOD1	SubSystem 1	None	0	74d	0	01Jan07	12Apr07	12Apr07	12Apr07	12Apr07	0
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	CMS.MOD1.20	System Specification	None	0	2w	0	15Jan07	26Jan07	26Jan07	26Jan07	26Jan07	0
	CMS.MOD1.25	System Documentation	None	0	12d	0	29Jan07	13Feb07	13Feb07	13Feb07	13Feb07	0
	CMS.MOD1.30	Build	None	6w	8w	10w	29Jan07	23Mar07	23Mar07	23Mar07	23Mar07	0
	CMS.MOD1.40	Integration API	None	0	30d	0	02Mar07	12Apr07	12Apr07	12Apr07	12Apr07	0
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	CMS.MOD2.40	Integration API	None	0	30d	0	02Mar07	12Apr07	12Apr07	12Apr07	12Apr07	0
	CMS.MOD2.50	M2 complete	None	0	0	0	13Apr07	12Apr07	12Apr07	12Apr07	12Apr07	0
	CMS.MOD3	Integration	Triangular	3w	4w	10w	13Apr07	10May07	01May07	23May07	14Jun07	8d
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• You will notice that the Duration Distribution Type for activity CMS.MOD3 - *Integration* is Triangular, with a three-point estimated duration as follows:

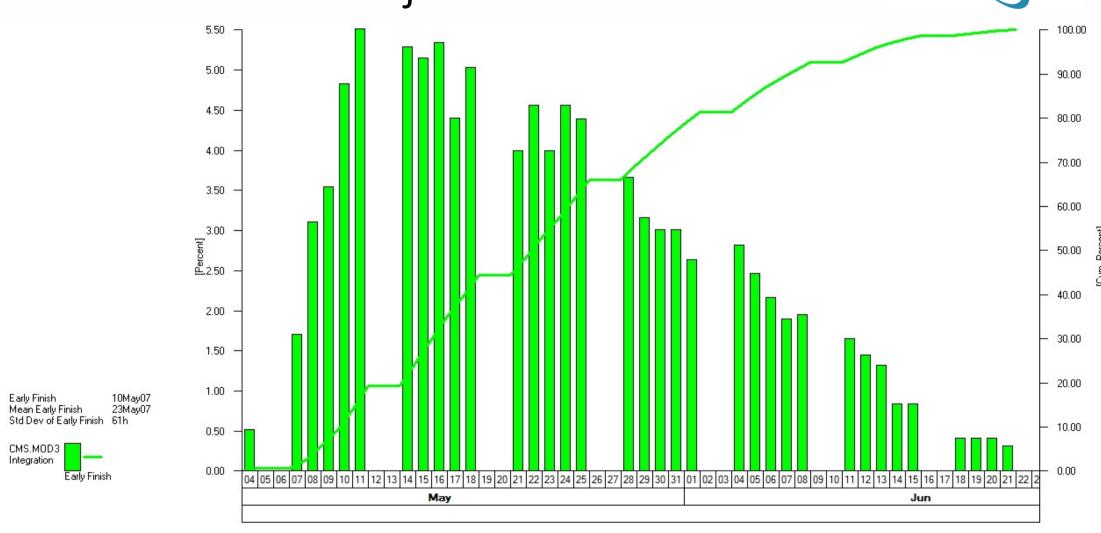
Optimistic: 3w | Original Duration: 4w | Pessimistic Duration: 10w

- The **standard deviation** of a probability distribution, as represented above in the column titled "Std. Dev. of Early Finish", **measures the degree of variation from the Mean** without regard for the direction in which the variation occurs.
- As a very rough guide, it turns out that there is about a two-thirds chance of any
  particular outcome falling within one standard deviation of the mean value and about a
  95% chance of the outcome falling within two standard deviations of the mean.

In the case of the latter, this variation can occur in either direction from the mean and is usually referred to as a **95% confidence interval**.









- Generally, we are concerned with quantifying the uncertainty associated with an estimate of the duration of an activity.
- When analysing the risks of a project combining thousands of activities, the estimate of the uncertainty is, in the end, a **statement more about the state of knowledge of the estimator**.
- The concept of probability and risk analysis in this environment is not easy to grasp. Indeed, some project managers may feel that it is without foundation. We will, nevertheless, maintain that it is possible to make a subjective estimate of the probability distribution associated with our forecasts about the future.
- Perhaps more importantly, it is necessary to make such an estimate since the failure to do so merely asserts that there is no uncertainty associated with these forecasts.

### Earned Value Management (EVM)



- EVM is the measurement of work performed, relative to the Baseline value of the work, typically expressed in dollars or labour units. The following information is used to assess your schedule and cost performance throughout your project.
- Planned value (PV) The approved budget for the work scheduled to be completed by a specified date; also referred to as the budgeted cost of work scheduled (BCWS).
- Earned value (EV): The approved budget for the work actually completed by the specified date; also referred to as the budgeted cost of work performed (BCWP).
- Actual cost (AC): The costs actually incurred for the work completed by the specified date; also referred to as the actual cost of work performed (ACWP).

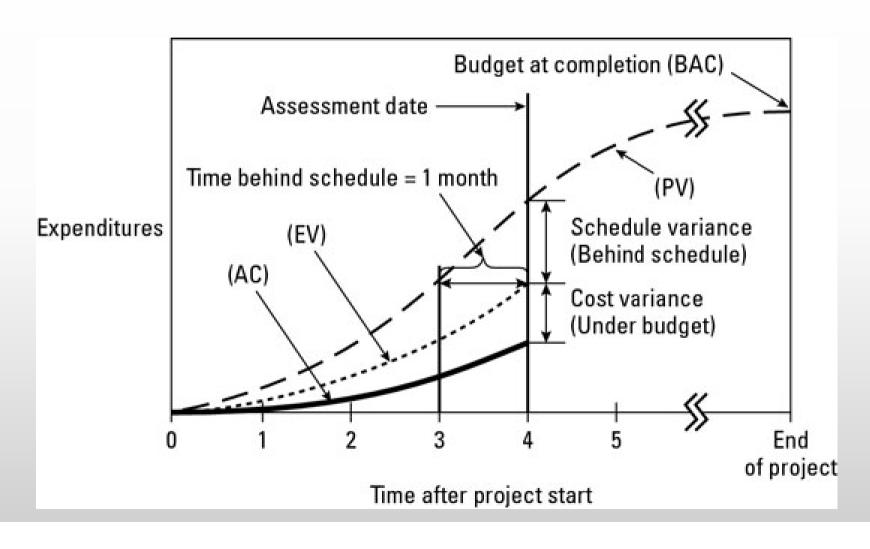
# Earned Value Management (EVM) – Key Formulas Connexion



- BAC Budget at completion
- CV = EV AC
- CPI = EV/AC
  - An index of 1 or greater indicates that work is being accomplished at a cost equal to or below what was planned. An index of less than 1 suggests work is accomplished at a cost greater than planned.
- SV = EV PV
- SPI EV/PV
  - An index of 1 or greater indicates that work is being accomplished at a rate on or ahead of what was planned. An index of less than 1 suggests work is being accomplished at a rate below the planned schedule.
- **PF** Performance Factor, an example of which is 1/CPI.
- EAC = AC + PF\*(BAC-EV)

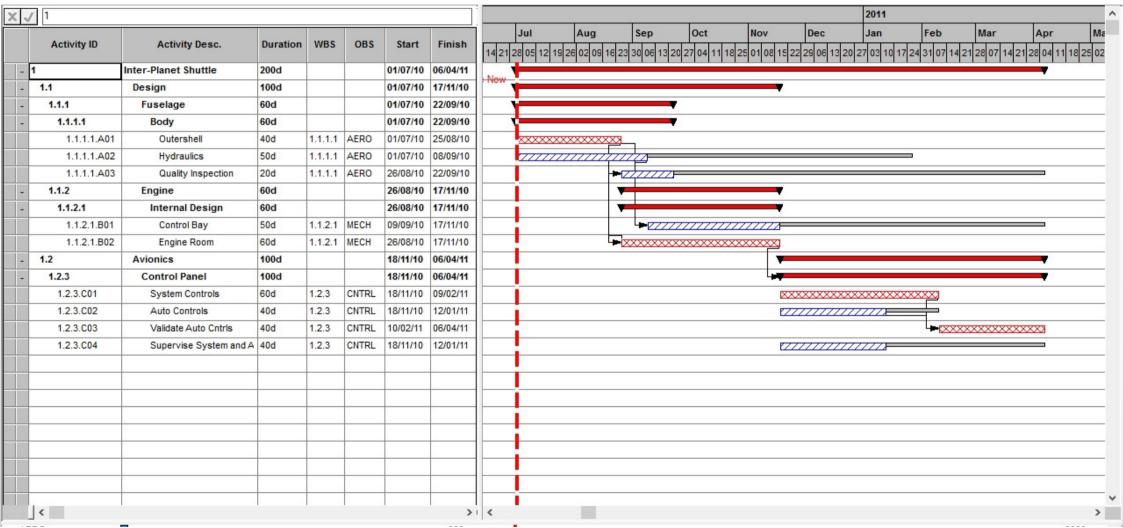
### Earned Value Management (EVM)











## Project Schedule and EVM Integration



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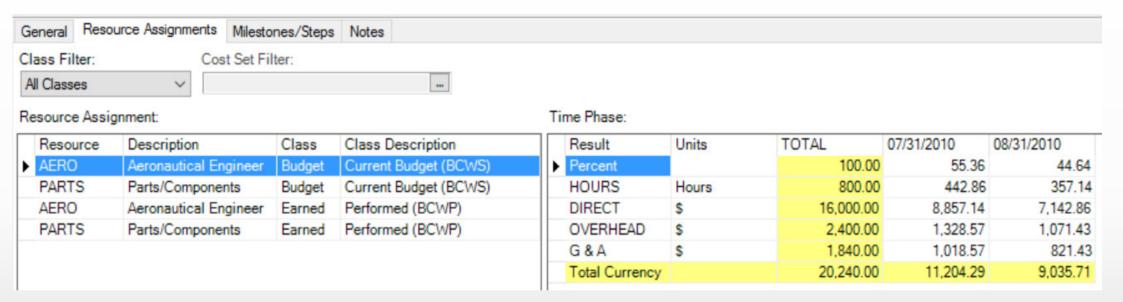
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#### Project Schedule and EVM Integration





- EVM requires planning, scheduling, and establishing the time phased budgets for activities
- The schedule must be resource loaded to determine the budget for the work as scheduled. The resource loaded schedule is the basis for the monthly budget, or PV, for each task and thus the project.
- This time phased budget is the performance measurement baseline (PMB).



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## Thank You!