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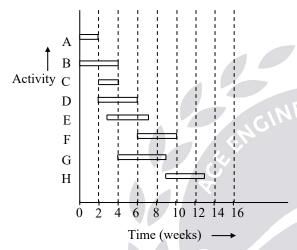
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(Solutions for Text Book Practice Questions)

03. Construction Project Scheduling

07. Ans: 13 weeks

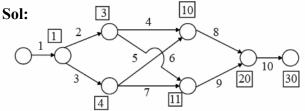
Sol:



Total completion time of period = 13 weeks

04. CPM Network

03. Ans: (c)



Critical Path

$$1 - 3 - 7 - 9 - 10$$

Critical path duration =
$$1 + 3 + 7 + 9 + 10$$

= 30 days

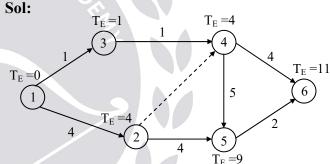
04. Ans: (c)

Sol:

Duration
6+4+8+10=28
8+9+14+10=41
8 + 10 + 13 + 15 = 46

:. Critical path is 1-3-6-8-9

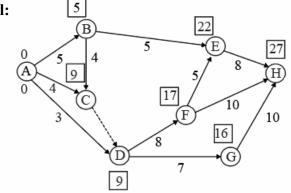
06. Ans: (c)



 \therefore Earliest start time for activity 5 - 6 = 9 days

08. Ans: b)

Sol:

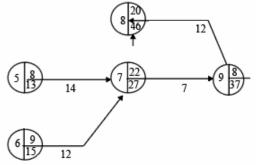


27 days is earliest expected completion



10. Ans: (c)

Sol:



Total float =
$$15 - 9 = 6$$

Free float =
$$22 - 12 - 9 = 1$$

05. PERT Network

13. Ans: (a)

Sol:
$$t_E = \frac{t_o + 4t_L + t_P}{6}$$

$$= \frac{8 + 4 \times 9 + 13}{6} = 9.5$$

Variance,
$$\sigma^2 = \left(\frac{t_p - t_o}{6}\right)^2$$

$$= \left(\frac{13 - 8}{6}\right)^2$$

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{25}{36}$$

Sol:
$$z = 1.647$$
 for 95%

$$\sigma^2 = 9$$
 weeks $\sigma = 3$

$$T_{\varepsilon} = 70$$
 weeks

$$T_s = ?$$

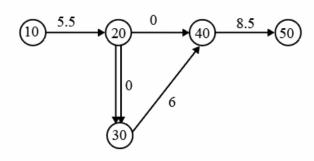
$$z = \frac{T_s - T_\epsilon}{\sigma}$$

$$T_{s} = \frac{T_{s} - 70}{3}$$

$$T_s = 70 + 4.941 = 74.94$$
 weeks

20. Ans: (d)

Sol:
$$T_E$$
 σ $10-20$ 5.5 1.167 $20-30$ 0 0 0 $30-40$ 6 1



Total duration =
$$5.5 + 6 + 8.5$$

= 20 days

Standard deviation =
$$\sqrt{1.167^2 + 1^2 + 1.167^2}$$

= 1.93

06. Project Crashing & Resource Allocation

11. Ans: (a)

Sol:

Week	Parallel Activities	Total Resource Load
9 th	A	6
11 th	A + B	6 + 4 = 10
13 th	A + B+ D	6 + 4 + 7 = 17
15 th	A + B + C + D	6+4+3+7=20

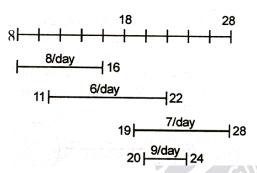




From the above, the maximum resource load per week is 20

12. Ans: (a)

Sol:

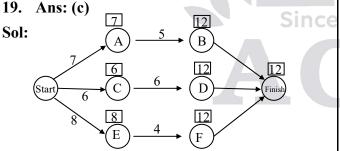


From the given diagram, on the 21st & 22nd day three concurrent activities are there with a total resources of 6 + 7 + 9 = 22.

Minimum resource occurs when only one activity exists. In the present case it is 6 per day.

.. Maximum resources is 22 and minimum is 6

Sol:



Number of activities that need to be crashed to reduce project duration by one day is 3

Sol: Labour cost =
$$100 \times \frac{20}{100} = 20 \text{ Cr}$$

Non-productive cost =
$$\frac{60}{100} \times 20 = 12$$
 cr

Productive cost =
$$\frac{40}{100} \times 20 = 8 \text{ cr}$$

15% of wastage resulting from Nonproductive time is eliminated

$$=\frac{15}{100}\times12=1.8 \text{ cr}$$

% of saving =
$$\frac{1.8}{8} \times 100 = 22.5\%$$

07. Engineering Economics and Depreciation

21. Ans: (c)

Sol:
$$d = \frac{2}{n}$$

$$=\frac{2}{5}$$

$$199 \text{ BV}_{\text{m}} = P (1 - d)^{\text{m}}$$

$$= 200000 \left(1 - \frac{2}{5}\right)^2$$
$$= 72,000$$

22. Ans: (b)

Sol: SFF =
$$\frac{i}{(1+i)^n - 1} = \frac{0.04}{(1+0.04)^5 - 1}$$

= 0.184



23. Ans: (c)

Sol: Annual depreciation =
$$\frac{25000 - 1600}{8}$$
$$= 2925$$

Residual book value at beginning of
$$6^{th}$$
 year
= $25000 - (2925 \times 5)$
= 10375

25. Ans: (c)

Sol: Annual depreciation =
$$\frac{10000-1000}{5}$$

= 1800
Book value = 10000 - (1800 × 2)
= Rs. 6400

08. Construction Contracts and Tendering

04. Ans: (a)

Sol: In cost plus fixed fee contract, the owner pays the contractor an agreed amount over and above the documented cost of work

05. Ans: (a)

Sol:

- Guaranteed maximum price contract is a cost-type contract where the contractor is compensated for actual costs incurred plus a fixed fee subject to ceiling price.
- Savings, if any, are returned to the owner.
- It is different from lump-sum contract where cost savings are retained by contractor.

07. Ans: (c)

Sol: Turn key contract:

An agreement under which a contractor completes a project, then hands it over in fully operational form to the client, which needs nothing to do but 'turn a key' to set it in motion.

Generally 'turnkey' refers to ready for immediate use.

08. Ans: (d)

Sol: When work is to be completed very quickly (or) no contractor prefers to accept the work (The tender is floated) then a notice with short duration is again published by the client. Such a tender notice is called 'Short tender notice'. The terms and conditions remain the same as that of ordinary tender notice.

09. Ans: (b)

Sol: Limited or Closed tender:

In limited tenders, only pre-qualified bidders are allowed to participate. These tenders are not advertised in newspapers.

11. Ans: (a)

Sol: Earnest money deposit (E.M.D)

While submitting a tender the contractor is to deposit a certain amount, about 2% of the contract value, as EMD as guarantee of the tender. The amount is for a check so that the contractor may not refuse to accept the work or run away when his tender is accepted.



12. Ans: (b)

Sol: Security deposit:

On acceptance of the tender, the contractor has to deposit 10% of the tendered amount as security deposit which is inclusive of the earnest money already deposited.

It is refunded to the contractor after the satisfactory completion of the whole work after a specified time (generally after maintenance period).

