

Problems - Software Engineering

1. The range of LOC estimates for the 3D geometric analysis function is optimistic, 4600 LOC; most likely, 6900 LOC; and pessimistic, 8600 LOC. Calculate the expected value for the estimation variable.

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$$//S = (S_{opt} + 4 * S_m + S_{pess}) / 6$$

Answer:

// Applying Equation 26.1, the expected value for the 3D geometric analysis function is 6800 LOC.

2. Estimated LOC count is 56,100 . Assuming that your organization produces 450 LOC/pm with a burdened labor rate of \$7000 per person-month, find the cost /LOC, total estimated project cost and estimated effort in person months.

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Cost per LOC = Labor rate per month/LOC per pm

Total Estimated Project Cost = Estimated LOC * Cost per LOC

Estimated Effort in pm = Total Estimated Project Cost/ Labor rate per month

3. Use the COCOMO II model to estimate the effort required to build software for a simple ATM that produces 12 screens, 10 reports, and will require approximately 80 software components, Percentage of reuse is 20%, Value of Prod=9. Use the application composition model with object points.

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To Compute:

Object points = screen+report+components

NOP = Object Points * [(100 - % reuse)/100]

Estimated Effort = NOP/PROD

4. The software equation is a dynamic multivariable model that assumes a specific distribution of effort over the life of a software development project. To simplify the estimation process and use a more common form for their estimation model. A set of equations derived from the software equation.

$$t_{min} = 8.14 (LOC/P^{0.43}) \text{ \& } E = 180 B t^3$$

Use the software equation to estimate the lawn mowing robot software. Assume that equation is applicable and that P = 8000, LOC=33,580, B=0.28

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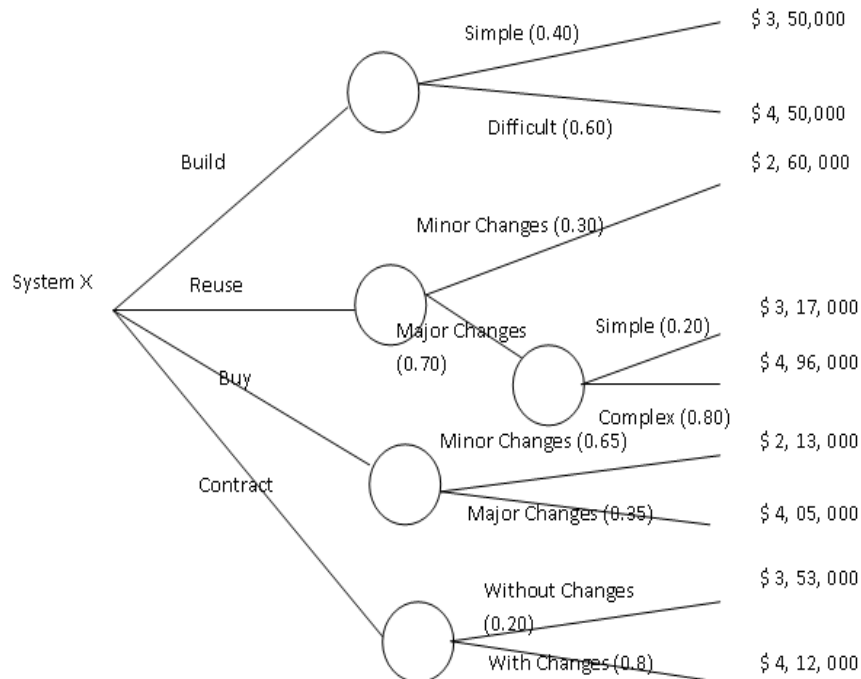
To Compute

$$t_{min} = 8.14 (LOC/P^{0.43})$$

$$E = 180 * B * t^3$$

5. If the system is to be built from scratch, there is a 60 percent probability that the job will be difficult. Using the estimation techniques discussed, the project planner estimates that a difficult development effort will cost \$450,000. A “simple” development effort is estimated to cost \$350,000. The expected value for cost, computed along any branch of the decision tree, is Expected cost = $\sum (\text{path probability})_i * (\text{estimated path cost})_i$.

Expected cost_{build} = $0.40 (\$350k) + 0.60 (\$450k) = \$410k$



Recompute the expected values noted for the decision tree given above assuming that every branch has a 50–50 probability. Find the appropriate decision by calculating the expected cost to build, reuse, buy, contract.?

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To Compute

Expected cost_{build} = $0.40 (\$350k) + 0.60 (\$450k) = \$410k$

Similarly compute reuse, buy, contract.

6. Assume that the software team defines a project risk in the following manner:

Risk identification. Only 70 percent of the software components scheduled for reuse will, in fact, be integrated into the application. The remaining functionality will have to be custom developed.

Risk probability. 50 percent (likely).

Risk impact. reusable software components were planned. If only 70 percent can be used, 18 components would have to be developed from scratch (in addition to other custom software that has been scheduled for development). Since the average component is 100 LOC and local data indicate that the software engineering cost for each LOC is \$11.50, the overall cost (impact) to develop the components would be $18 * 100 * 11.5 = \$20,700$.

Risk exposure: $RE = 0.50 * 20,700 = \$10,350$.

Recompute the risk exposure discussed in above example when cost/LOC is \$16 and the Probability is 60 percent.

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To Compute

Risk Exposure = $P * C$

7. Given, the below adaptation criteria, graded for a new dev project, with low risk, Calculate average TSS and conclude on the degree of rigor that you choose for applying process.

Adaptation Criteria	Grade	Weight	New Dev – Entry Point Multiplier
Size	2	1.2	1
No of Users	3	1.1	1
Business Criticality	4	1.1	1
Longevity	3	0.9	1
Req. Stability	4	1.2	1
Ease of Communication	2	0.9	1
Maturity of Tech	2	0.9	1
Perf Constraints	3	0.8	1
Embedded/Non Emb.	3	1.2	1
Project Staffing	1	1.0	1
Interoperability	3	1.1	1
Engg. Factors	0	1.2	0

FYI - TSS < 1.24 – Casual, TSS between 1 and 3 – Structured, TSS > 2.4 – Strict, Preferred in the market is Structured.

To Compute

TSS = Grade * Weight

8. Earned Value Analysis

Assume you are a software project manager and that you've been asked to compute earned value statistics for a small software project. The project has 56 planned work tasks that are estimated to require 582 person-days to complete. At the time that you've been asked to do the earned value analysis, 12 tasks have been completed. However the project schedule indicates that 15 tasks should have been completed. Total budget - \$80k. The following scheduling data (in person-days) are available:

Task	Planned Effort	Actual Effort	Scheduled Cost	Actual Cost
1	12.0	12.5	1200	1250
2	15.0	11.0	1500	1100
3	13.0	17.0	1300	1700
4	8.0	9.5	800	9500
5	9.5	9.0	9500	9000
6	18.0	19.0	1800	1900
7	10.0	10.0	1000	1000
8	4.0	4.5	4000	4500
9	12.0	10.0	1200	1000
10	6.0	6.5	6000	6500
11	5.0	4.0	5000	4000
12	14.0	14.5	1400	1450
13	16.0	-	1600	-
14	6.0	-	600	-
15	8.0	-	800	-

Compute the SPI, schedule variance, percent scheduled for completion, percent complete, CPI, and cost variance for the project:

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To Compute

Scheduled Performance Index(SPI) = $BCWP/BCWS$ (i.e. *budgeted cost of work performed/budgeted cost of work scheduled*)

$SV = BCWP - BCWS$

Percent Scheduled = $BCWS/BAC$ (*budget at completion*)

Percent Complete = $BCWP/BAC$

cost performance index(CPI) = $BCWP/ACWP$

cost variance (CV) = $BCWP - ACWP$