

MS Project Professional 2021

Tutorial #2 - Demo

CS 587 – Software Project Management

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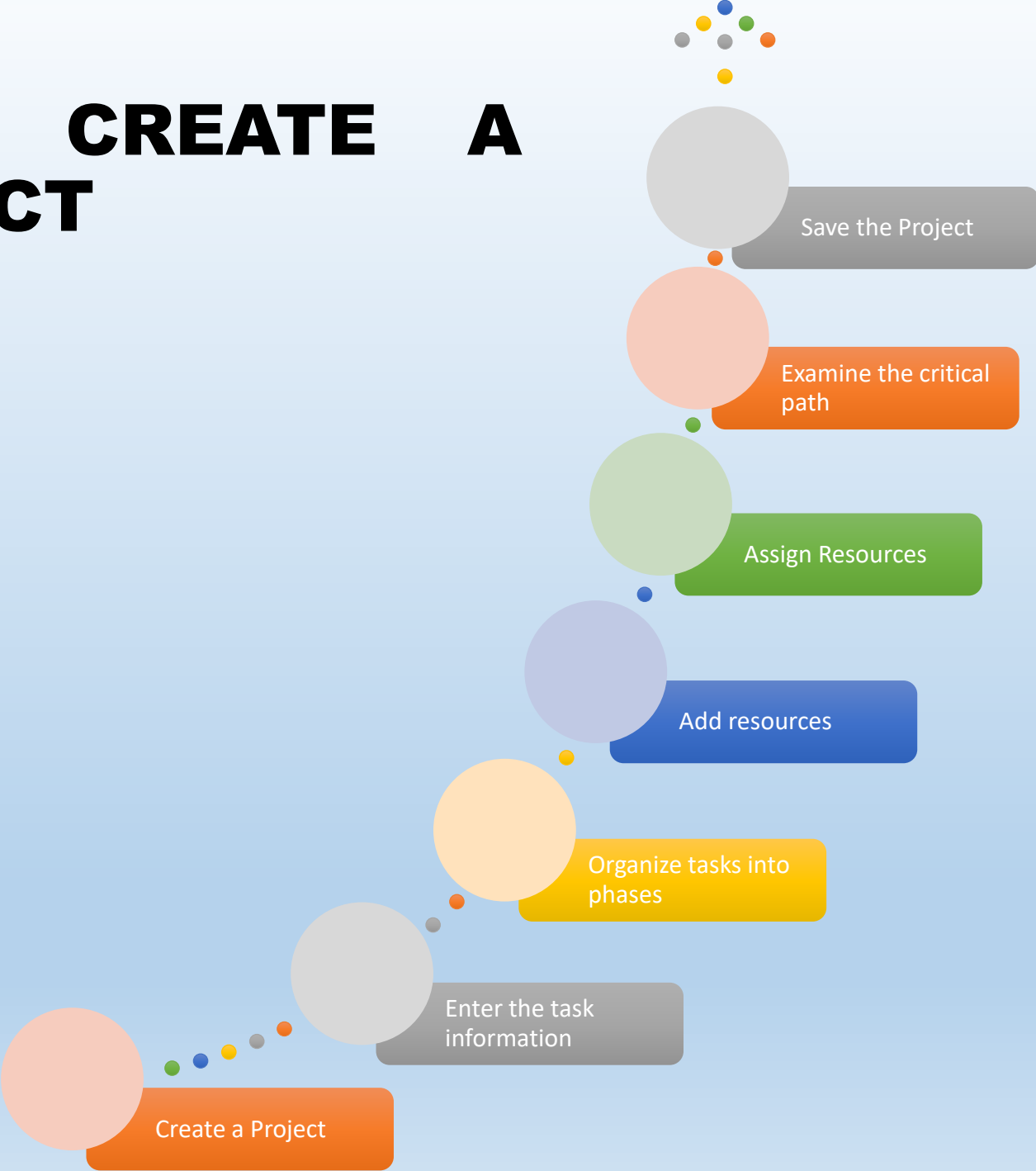
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Develop the Following Development Project

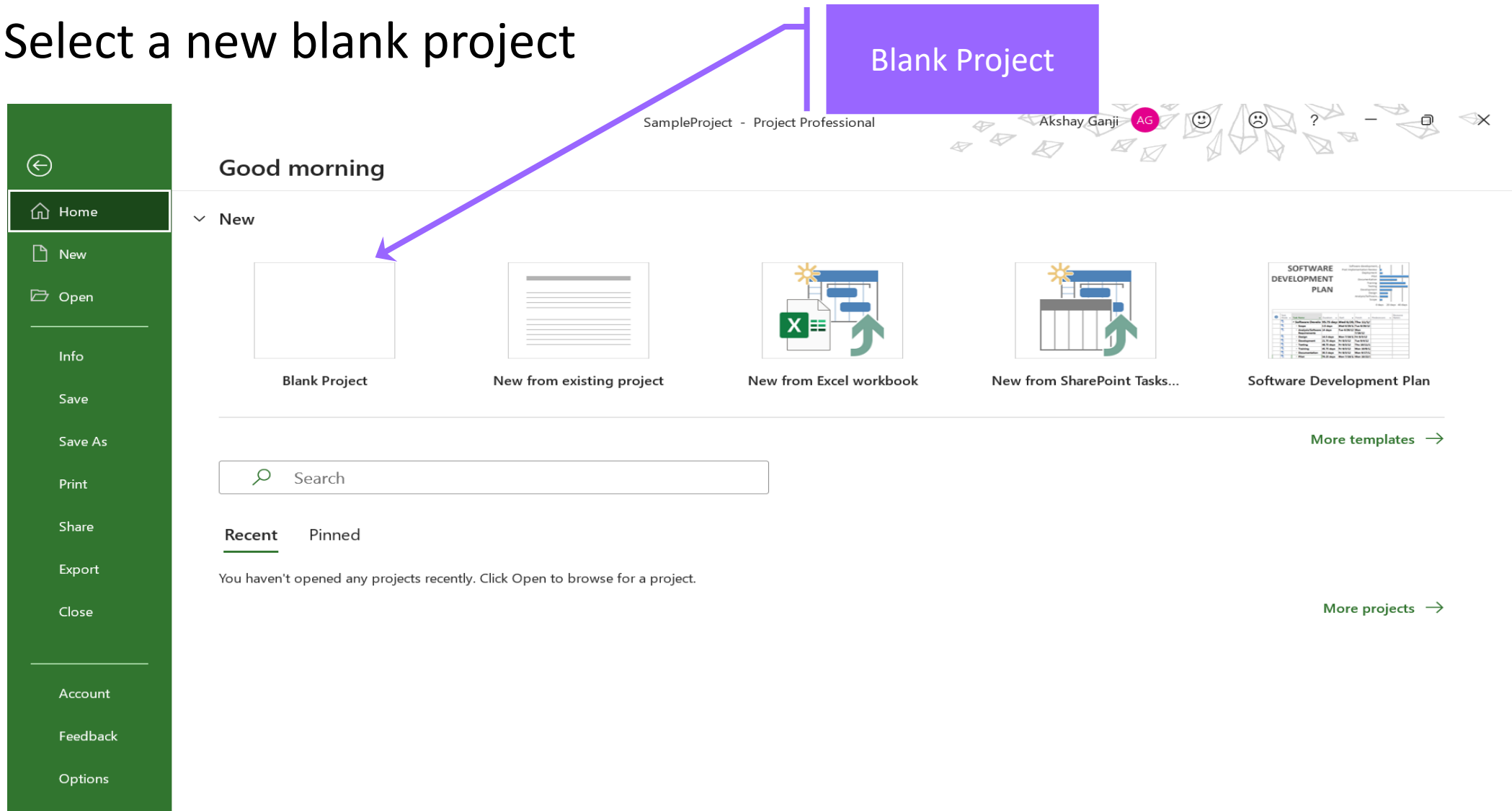
Activity	Predecessor	Human Resources	Duration
1. Requirement definition and analysis		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Requirement Engineer •Team Leader •Project Manager 	3 Days
2. Requirement Review	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Business Analyst •Team Leader •Project Manager 	1 Day
3. Analysis	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Designer •Team Leader 	6 Days
4. Analysis Review	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Team Leader •Project Manager •Designer 	1 Day
5. Design	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Designer •Team Leader 	4 Days
6. Design Review	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Team Leader •Project Manager •Designer 	1 Day
7. Programming	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Programmer 	4 Days
8. Code Review	7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Programmer •Team Leader •Tester •Requirement Engineer 	3 Days
9. Testing	8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Testers •Requirement Engineer 	6 Days
10. Installation	9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Programmer •Team Leader •Program Manager 	2 Days

STEPS TO CREATE A NEW PROJECT



Step 1: Creating a new project

➤ Select a new blank project



➤ Create a new project called “SampleProject”

The screenshot displays the Microsoft Project Professional interface for a new project named "SampleProject". The title bar shows the application name and the user "Akshay Ganji". The ribbon is set to "Task" under the "Gantt Chart Format" tab. The ribbon includes sections for Undo, View, Clipboard, Font, Schedule, Tasks, Insert, Properties, and Editing. The main workspace shows a Gantt Chart view with a timeline starting on "Mon 10/12/09" and ending on "Mon 10/12/09". The timeline is divided into weekly columns for October and November 2009. A task bar is visible at the top of the Gantt Chart, with a task name field and a duration field. The status bar at the bottom indicates "Ready" and "New Tasks : Manually Scheduled".

File Task Resource Report Project View Help Gantt Chart Format Tell me what you want to do

Undo View Clipboard Font Schedule Tasks Insert Properties Editing

Start Mon 10/12/09 Add tasks with dates to the timeline Finish Mon 10/12/09

Task Mode Task Name Duration

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Oct 4, '09 Oct 11, '09 Oct 18, '09 Oct 25, '09 Nov 1, '09 Nov 8, '09

Ready New Tasks : Manually Scheduled

Step 2: Entering the Task Information

- Write the name of each task in the spreadsheet using the column “*Task Name*”
- Write the duration in days of each task in the spreadsheet using the column “*Duration*”
- Write the predecessors of each task in the spreadsheet using the column “*Predecessors*” (If you can’t see the column, try to expand the vertical bar that divides the spreadsheet to the Gantt Chart)

➤ Entering Task Name, Duration and Predecessors

TIMELINE

Start

Fri 1/21/22

Add tasks with dates

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4	<div><div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div><div><div></div><div></div></div></div>	<div><div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div><div><div>Requirements Review</div><div></div></div></div>	<div><div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div><div><div>0.33 days</div><div></div></div></div>	<div><div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div><div><div>Mon 1/24/22</div><div></div></div></div>	<div><div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div><div><div>Mon 1/24/22</div><div></div></div></div>	<div>3</div>	<div>Business Analyst,Project Manager,Team Leader</div>
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Step 3: Organize Tasks into Phases

- Before

Task Name	Duration
Requirement definition and analysis	3 days
Requirement Review	1 day
Analysis	6 days
Analysis Review	1 day
Design	4 days
Design Review	1 day
Programming	4 days
Code Review	3 days
Testing	6 days
Installation	2 days

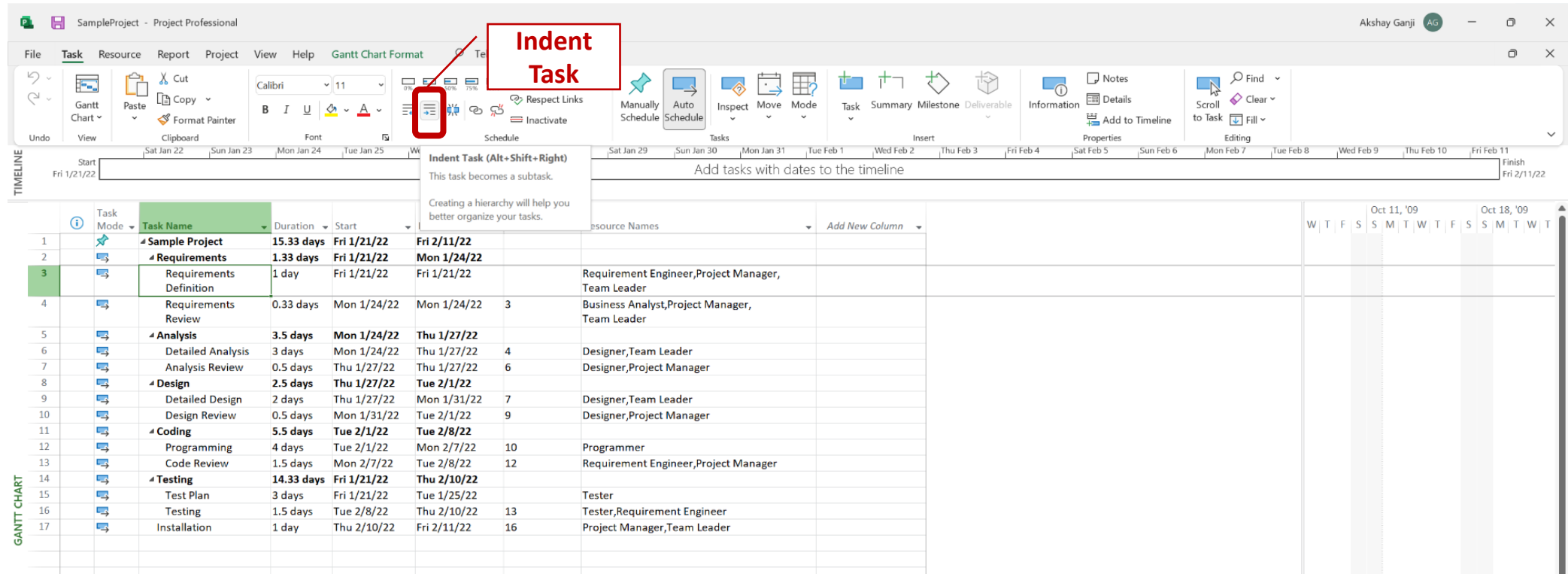
- After

Task Name	Duration
▾ SampleProject	31 days
▾ Requirements	4 days
Requirement definition and analysis	3 days
Requirement Review	1 day
▾ Analysis	7 days
Analysis	6 days
Analysis Review	1 day
▾ Design	5 days
Design	4 days
Design Review	1 day
▾ Coding	7 days
Programming	4 days
Code Review	3 days
Testing	6 days
Installation	2 days

Step 3: Organize Tasks into Phases

- Group the tasks by the Phase according to the table of tasks shown before, and add a group that encloses the phases named “**SampleProject**”, and this will represent the plan as a whole
- You may do this by:
 - Adding a new task “**SampleProject**”
 - Highlight the task you want to indent
 - Click the indent icon
- Insert a new task at the beginning that will group everything. Here we insert “Requirements Phase” first

➤ Highlight the tasks that are going to be added as sub tasks and click “*Indent*” icon



Indent Task

This task becomes a subtask.
Creating a hierarchy will help you better organize your tasks.

Task List:

Task ID	Task Name	Duration	Start	Finish	Resource Names
1	Sample Project	15.33 days	Fri 1/21/22	Fri 2/11/22	
2	Requirements	1.33 days	Fri 1/21/22	Mon 1/24/22	
3	Requirements Definition	1 day	Fri 1/21/22	Fri 1/21/22	Requirement Engineer, Project Manager, Team Leader
4	Requirements Review	0.33 days	Mon 1/24/22	Mon 1/24/22	3 Business Analyst, Project Manager, Team Leader
5	Analysis	3.5 days	Mon 1/24/22	Thu 1/27/22	
6	Detailed Analysis	3 days	Mon 1/24/22	Thu 1/27/22	4 Designer, Team Leader
7	Analysis Review	0.5 days	Thu 1/27/22	Thu 1/27/22	6 Designer, Project Manager
8	Design	2.5 days	Thu 1/27/22	Tue 2/1/22	
9	Detailed Design	2 days	Thu 1/27/22	Mon 1/31/22	7 Designer, Team Leader
10	Design Review	0.5 days	Mon 1/31/22	Tue 2/1/22	9 Designer, Project Manager
11	Coding	5.5 days	Tue 2/1/22	Tue 2/8/22	
12	Programming	4 days	Tue 2/1/22	Mon 2/7/22	10 Programmer
13	Code Review	1.5 days	Mon 2/7/22	Tue 2/8/22	12 Requirement Engineer, Project Manager
14	Testing	14.33 days	Fri 1/21/22	Thu 2/10/22	
15	Test Plan	3 days	Fri 1/21/22	Tue 1/25/22	Tester
16	Testing	1.5 days	Tue 2/8/22	Thu 2/10/22	13 Tester, Requirement Engineer
17	Installation	1 day	Thu 2/10/22	Fri 2/11/22	16 Project Manager, Team Leader

➤ Now repeat these steps to create the Subgroup that will represent the Analysis, Design and Coding phases

Start
Fri 1/21/22

Sat Jan 22

Sun Jan 23

Mon Jan 24

Tue Jan 25

Wed Jan 26

Thu Jan 27

Fri Jan 28

Sat Jan 29

Sun Jan 30

Mon Jan 31

Tue

Add tasks with dates

		Task Mode ▾	Task Name	Summary Task ▾	Start ▾	Finish ▾	Predecessors ▾	Resource Names ▾
1			Sample Project	15.33 days	Fri 1/21/22	Fri 2/11/22		
2			Requirements	1.33 days	Fri 1/21/22	Mon 1/24/22		
3			Requirements Definition	1 day	Fri 1/21/22	Fri 1/21/22		Requirement Engineer, Project Manager, Team Leader
4			Requirements Review	0.33 days	Mon 1/24/22	Mon 1/24/22	3	Business Analyst, Project Manager, Team Leader
5			Analysis	3.5 days	Mon 1/24/22	Thu 1/27/22		
6			Detailed Analysis	3 days	Mon 1/24/22	Thu 1/27/22	4	Designer, Team Leader
7			Analysis Review	0.5 days	Thu 1/27/22	Thu 1/27/22	6	Designer, Project Manager
8			Design	2.5 days	Thu 1/27/22	Tue 2/1/22		
9			Detailed Design	2 days	Thu 1/27/22	Mon 1/31/22	7	Designer, Team Leader
10			Design Review	0.5 days	Mon 1/31/22	Tue 2/1/22	9	Designer, Project Manager
11			Coding	5.5 days	Tue 2/1/22	Tue 2/8/22		
12			Programming	4 days	Tue 2/1/22	Mon 2/7/22	10	Programmer
13			Code Review	1.5 days	Mon 2/7/22	Tue 2/8/22	12	Requirement Engineer, Project Manager
14			Testing	14.33 days	Fri 1/21/22	Thu 2/10/22		
15			Test Plan	3 days	Fri 1/21/22	Tue 1/25/22		Tester
16			Testing	1.5 days	Tue 2/8/22	Thu 2/10/22	13	Tester, Requirement Engineer
17			Installation	1 day	Thu 2/10/22	Fri 2/11/22	16	Project Manager, Team Leader

Step 4: Add Resources


- Go to the view “Resource Sheet”
- Add the necessary resources to the “Resources Sheet”, we are going to use only the Name, Initials and Standard rate in \$/hr The resources are going to be taken from the table showed at the beginning of the example, more specifically from the column “Human Resource”
- Now, with the Resources already registered in the project file, go back to the View “Gantt Chart”

Timeline visualization showing dates from Sat Jan 22 to Fri Feb 11. The timeline is a horizontal bar with a light blue background. The dates are listed along the top. The start date is Fri 1/21/22 and the finish date is Fri 2/11/22. The text "Add tasks with dates to the timeline" is centered within the bar.

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Adding Multiple Resources of Same Type

- Go to the view “Resource Sheet”
- Add the resources, differentiating them by numbering it.
- You can change the initials to reflect different resources of same type.
- In our example, we add two more testers as follows:

	Resource Name	Type	Material	Initials	Group	Max.	Std. Rate	Ovt. Rate	Cost/Use	Accrue
	Requirement Engineer	Work		R		100%	\$0.00/hr	\$0.00/hr	\$0.00	Prorated
	Team Leader	Work		T		100%	\$0.00/hr	\$0.00/hr	\$0.00	Prorated
	Project Manager	Work		P		100%	\$0.00/hr	\$0.00/hr	\$0.00	Prorated
	Designer	Work		D		100%	\$0.00/hr	\$0.00/hr	\$0.00	Prorated
	Programmer	Work		P		100%	\$0.00/hr	\$0.00/hr	\$0.00	Prorated
	Tester	Work		T		100%	\$0.00/hr	\$0.00/hr	\$0.00	Prorated
	Business Analyst	Work		B		100%	\$0.00/hr	\$0.00/hr	\$0.00	Prorated
	Tester1	Work		T1		100%	\$0.00/hr	\$0.00/hr	\$0.00	Prorated
	Tester2	Work		T2		100%	\$0.00/hr	\$0.00/hr	\$0.00	Prorated
	Multiple Testers									

Step 5: Assign Resources

- Go to “Resource” tab
- Then click “Assign resources” icon. A “Assign Resources” window appears
- Click the resource to be assigned in the window, and then click the task in the spreadsheet behind
- Then click the button “assign”
- Repeat step 3 till all resources are assigned to the tasks

Method 1: Drop down list

The screenshot displays the Microsoft Project Professional interface. The 'View' tab is active, showing the 'Gantt Chart' view. A red box highlights the 'Resource Names' dropdown menu, which is open, showing a list of resources to be assigned to the selected task. A red arrow points from the text 'Assign Resources' to the dropdown menu.

Task List:

Task ID	Task Name	Duration	Start	Finish	Predecessors	Resource Names
1	Sample Project	15.33 days	Fri 1/21/22	Fri 2/11/22		
2	Requirements	1.33 days	Fri 1/21/22	Mon 1/24/22		
3	Requirements Definition	1 day	Fri 1/21/22	Fri 1/21/22		
4	Requirements Review	0.33 days	Mon 1/24/22	Mon 1/24/22	3	
5	Analysis	3.5 days	Mon 1/24/22	Thu 1/27/22		
6	Detailed Analysis	3 days	Mon 1/24/22	Thu 1/27/22	4	
7	Analysis Review	0.5 days	Thu 1/27/22	Thu 1/27/22	6	
8	Design	2.5 days	Thu 1/27/22	Tue 2/1/22		
9	Detailed Design	2 days	Thu 1/27/22	Mon 1/31/22	7	
10	Design Review	0.5 days	Mon 1/31/22	Tue 2/1/22	9	
11	Coding	5.5 days	Tue 2/1/22	Tue 2/8/22		
12	Programming	4 days	Tue 2/1/22	Mon 2/7/22	10	
13	Code Review	1.5 days	Mon 2/7/22	Tue 2/8/22	12	
14	Testing	14.33 days	Fri 1/21/22	Thu 2/10/22		
15	Test Plan	3 days	Fri 1/21/22	Tue 1/25/22		
16	Testing	1.5 days	Tue 2/8/22	Thu 2/10/22	13	
17	Installation	1 day	Thu 2/10/22	Fri 2/11/22	16	

Resource List (from dropdown):

- (Select All)
- (blank)
- Business Analyst
- Designer
- Programmer
- Project Manager
- Requirement Engineer
- Team Leader
- Tester

Assign Resources

Method 2: Choosing “Assign Resources” option

SampleProject - Project Professional

File Task **Resource** Report Project View Help Gantt Chart Format Tell me what you want to do

Team Planner View Assign Resources Resource Pool Add Resources Assignments Insert

Assign Resources Options

Level Selection Resource Level All Leveling Options Clear Leveling Next Overallocation

Assign Resources (Alt+F10)

Assign resources to the tasks in the project.

Add tasks with dates to the timeline

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5	Analysis	3.5 days	Mon 1/24/22	Thu 1/27/22		
6	Detailed Analysis	3 days	Mon 1/24/22	Thu 1/27/22	4	Designer, Team Leader
7	Analysis Review	0.5 days	Thu 1/27/22	Thu 1/27/22	6	Designer, Project Manager
8	Design	2.5 days	Thu 1/27/22	Tue 2/1/22		
9	Detailed Design	2 days	Thu 1/27/22	Mon 1/31/22	7	Designer, Team Leader
10	Design Review	0.5 days	Mon 1/31/22	Tue 2/1/22	9	Designer, Project Manager
11	Coding	5.5 days	Tue 2/1/22	Tue 2/8/22		
12	Programming	4 days	Tue 2/1/22	Mon 2/7/22	10	Programmer
13	Code Review	1.5 days	Mon 2/7/22	Tue 2/8/22	12	Requirement Engineer, Project Manager
14	Testing	14.33 days	Fri 1/21/22	Thu 2/10/22		
15	Test Plan	3 days	Fri 1/21/22	Tue 1/25/22		Tester
16	Testing	1.5 days	Tue 2/8/22	Thu 2/10/22	13	Tester, Requirement Engineer
17	Installation	1 day	Thu 2/10/22	Fri 2/11/22	16	Project Manager, Team Leader

Assign Resources

Task: Requirements Definition

Resource list options

Resources from SampleProject

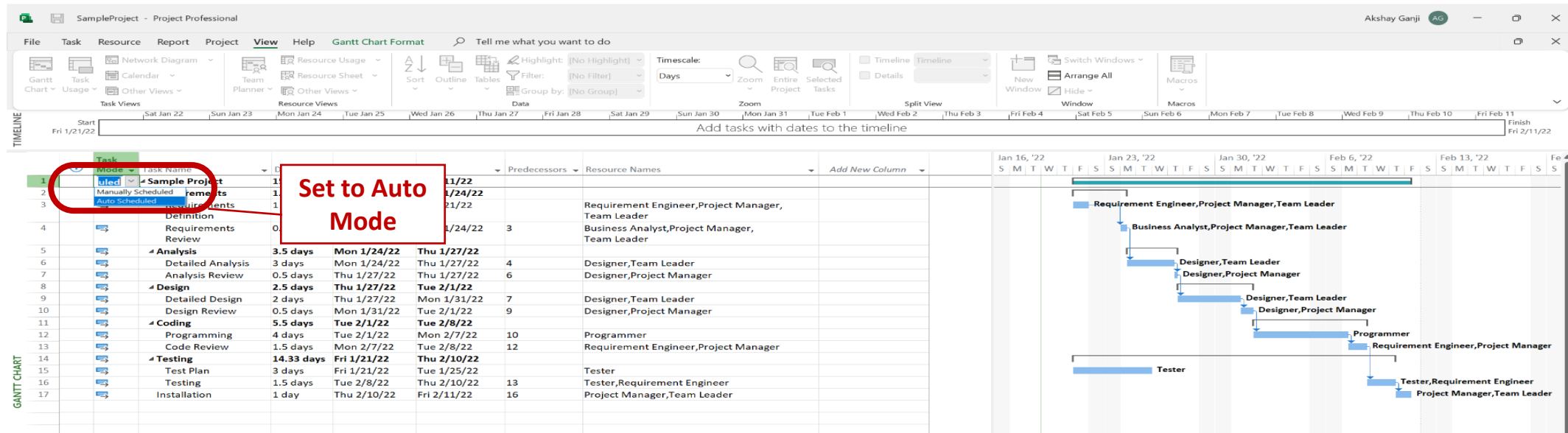
Resource Name	R/D	Units	Cost
Project Manager		100%	\$0.00
Requirement Engineer		100%	\$0.00
Team Leader		100%	\$0.00
Business Analyst			
Designer			
Programmer			
Tester			

Assign Remove Replace... Graph Close Help

Hold down Ctrl and click to select multiple resources

Detailed steps for assigning multiple resources

1. If you have assigned multiple resources to the task, first remove all the resources that you have assigned for the task. If you have not assigned resources yet, please move to Step 2 below.
2. Change the mode of the task to “Auto Scheduled” as shown below in screenshot.

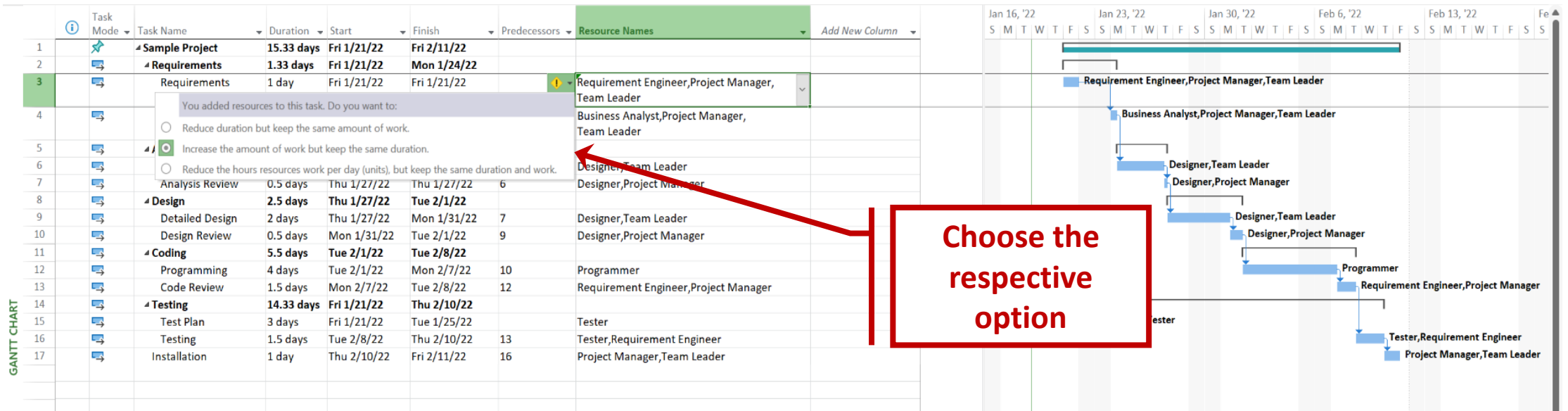


3. Assign the resources that you want to the task. Once you assign resources, you will see a yellow color warning sign on the left. Note that you will get this warning sign only if you assign 2 or more resources to the task.

Detailed steps for assigning multiple resources

4. Click on the yellow warning sign and you will see three options. Select the option “Reduce duration but keep the amount of work” to handle this warning.

5. Note: If you fail to click on one of the options, the duration will still not change. In that case, repeat again from Step 1.



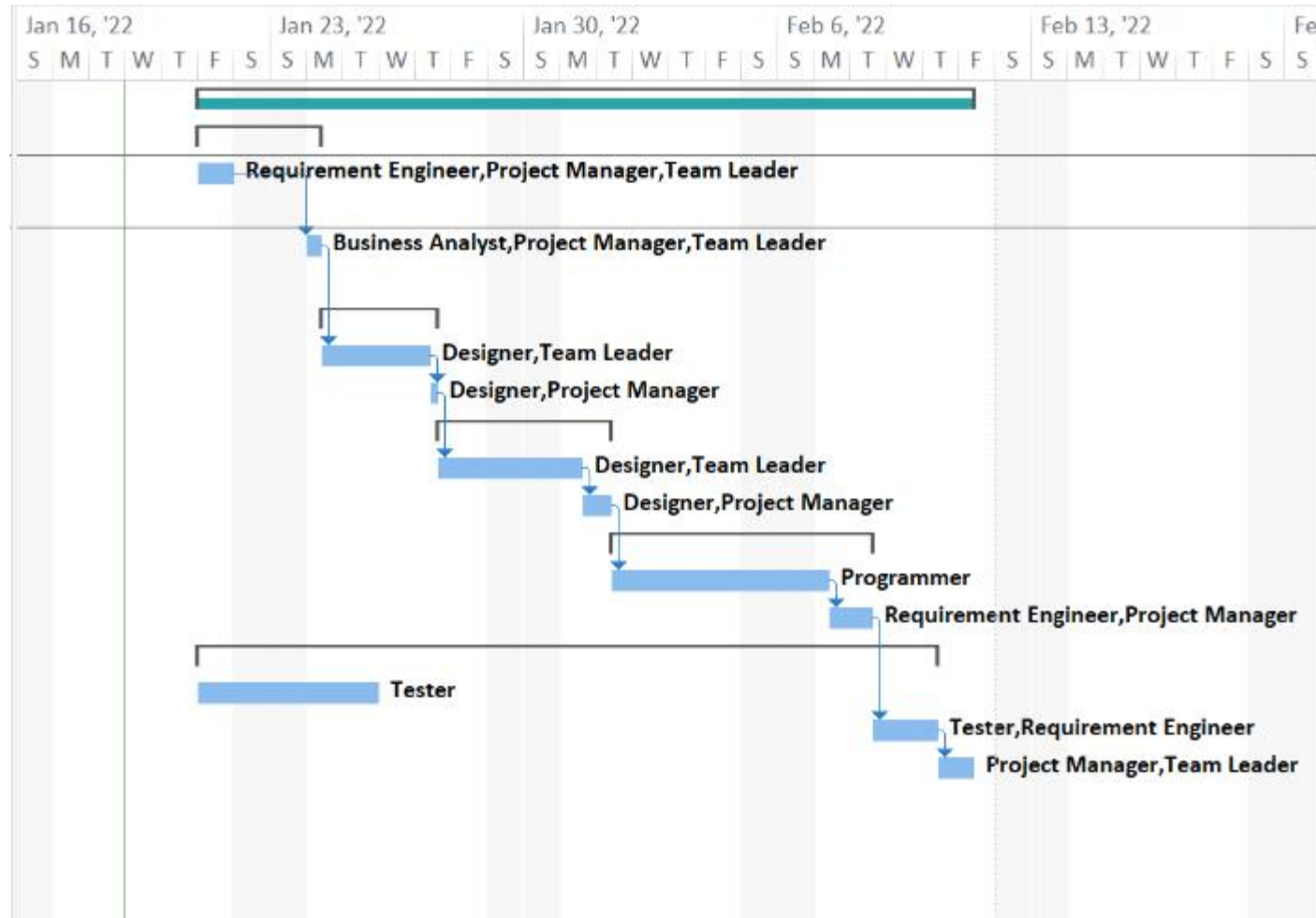
6. MS Project will automatically update the Duration according to the number of resources assigned to a task.

7. Check again to make sure that the duration has changed (if it was supposed to change).

Step 6: Examine the critical Path

- For the example, we are going to use the Detailed Gantt Chart to view the Critical Path, because this option also shows the **Slack Time** of the activities that don't belong to the critical path, therefore first we must select the option “More Views”
- Then we must select the Detail Gantt to obtain the view desired.
- The View should look like this (If the Gantt Chart doesn't appear check that you are in the right date on the Gantt Chart)

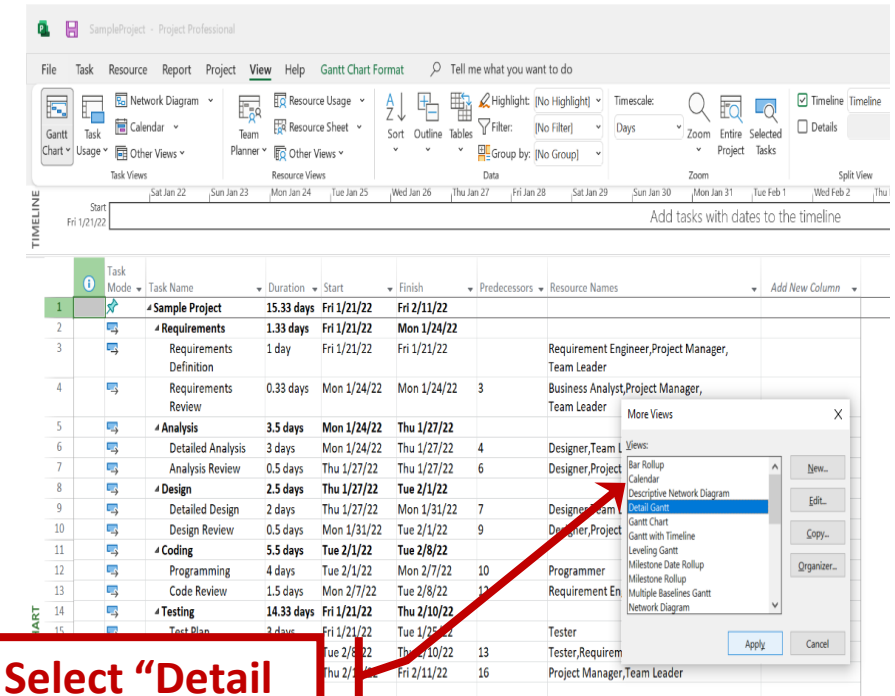
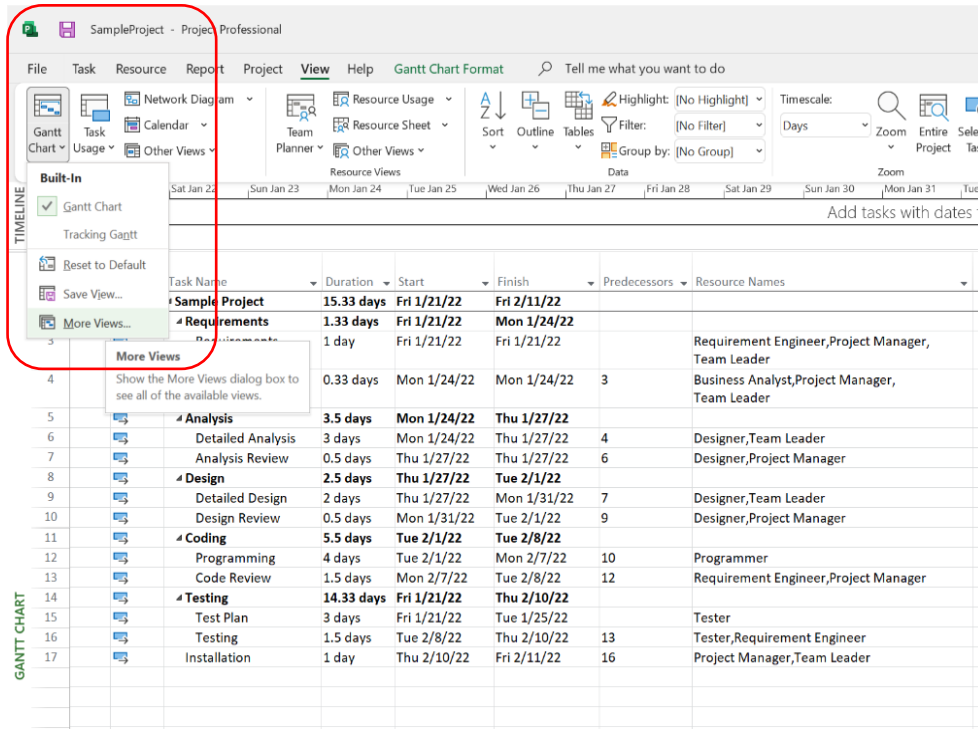
➤ Gantt Chart



The Gantt Chart

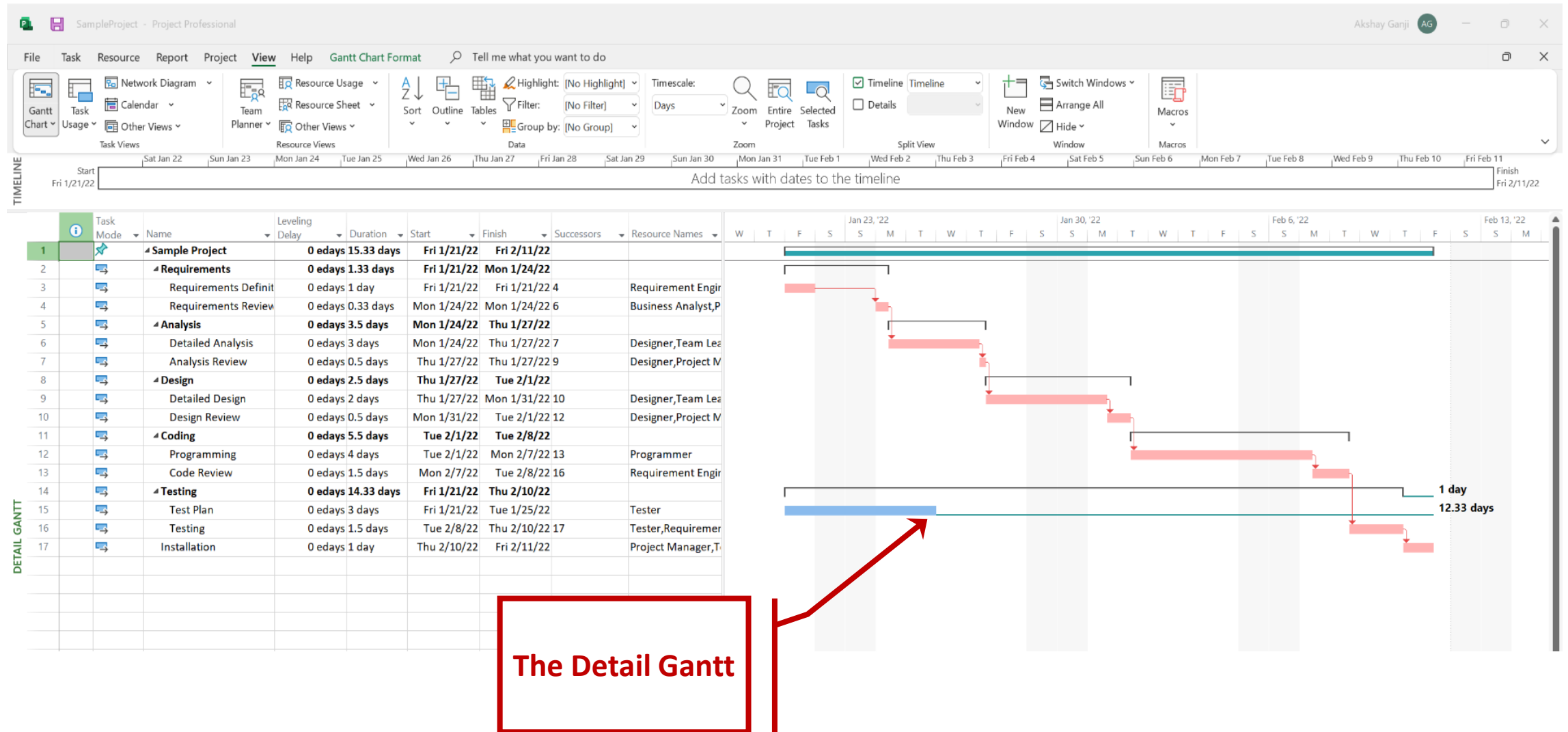
Viewing The Critical Path

- To see the critical path, click on Gantt Chart, and select “More Views” to open up a pop-up. Here choose “Detail Gantt”



Select “Detail Gantt” from Gantt Chart

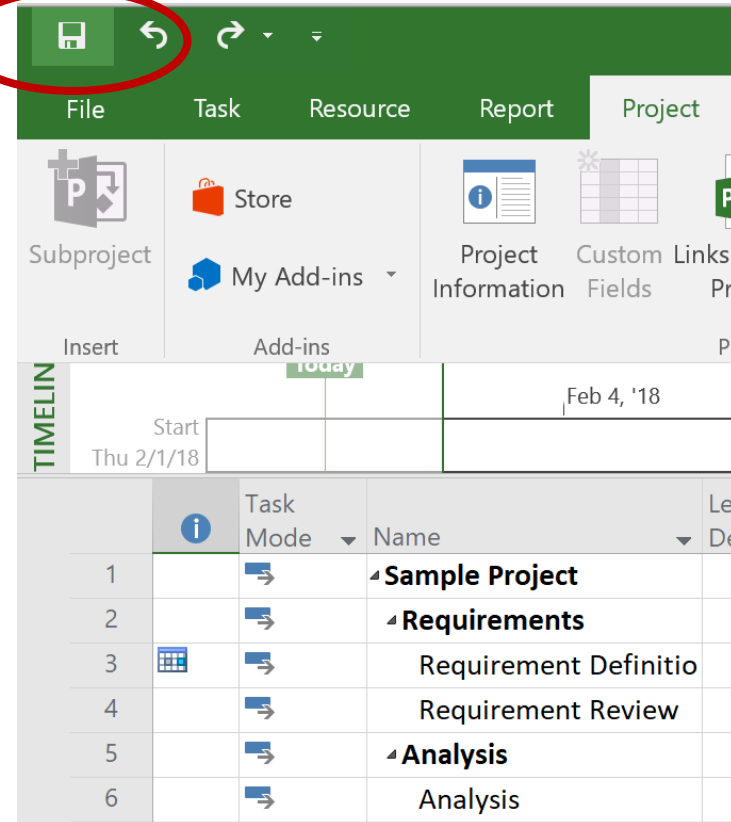
➤ Detail Gantt



Step 7: Save the Project

For this example, we are saving the file at the end, but it is recommended that you save the file frequently while you are working to avoid losing data as a result of problems such as a Power Failure for instance

Save the Project



NOTE:

Microsoft Project Schedules

- Microsoft Project schedules each task according to the formula:

Effort = Amount of work/Productivity Rate

Duration = Effort/No. of resources

- Duration is the actual amount of time that passes before the task is done
- Amount of work is the total work required to be done
- Resource effort is the amount of effort of all the resources that are assigned to the task
- Effort of each resource is measured by productivity rate
- Productivity rate is the total amount of output in a given time period

Example

1. Let Work = 3000 SLOC

2. Effort will be calculated as:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Work/Productivity Rate} &= \frac{3000}{100 \text{ SLOC/day}} \\ &= 30 \text{ days/1 Head Count}\end{aligned}$$

3. Duration will be calculated as:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Effort/\# Head Count} &= 30\text{days/1 HC} \\ &\text{duration will be 30 days for 1 HC} \\ &\text{or, for 2 Head Counts it will be} \\ &= 30\text{days/2 HC} \\ &= 15 \text{ days.}\end{aligned}$$

Questions ?