



EPEA516

ANALYTICAL SKILLS II

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Learning Outcomes



After this lecture, you will be able to

- understand the concept of alternate day work,
- solve various problems relating to alternate day work.

Alternate Day Work

- A & B
- Working Alone
- Work – A Day Alternately
- Starting/Beginning – A
- Starting/Beginning – B

Example 1

- A & B working alone can do a work in 9 and 12 days respectively.
If they work for a day alternately, A beginning, in how many days the work will be completed?
- A's one day work = $\frac{1}{9}$
- B's one day work = $\frac{1}{12}$
- Total amount of work = LCM of 9 and 12 = 36
- Amount of work done by A and B in 2 days = $\frac{1}{9} + \frac{1}{12}$

Example 1

- Amount of work done by A and B in 2 days $= \frac{1}{9} + \frac{1}{12}$
 $= \frac{4 + 3}{36}$
 $= \frac{7}{36}$
- Amount of work done by A and B in 10 days i.e. 5 x 2 days
 $= 5 \times \frac{7}{36}$
 $= \frac{35}{36}$

Example 1

- Amount of work done by A and B in 10 days i.e. 5×2 days
$$= \frac{35}{36}$$
- In 10 days work done is $\frac{35}{36}$.
- Since it's A's turn next, he can complete 1 item in $\frac{1}{4}$ day or the remaining $\frac{1}{36}$ will be handled by A and he can finish this off in $\frac{1}{4}$ of a day. Hence, the work will be completed in $10\frac{1}{4}$ days or $\frac{41}{4}$ days.

Example 1 – Alternative Method

- A & B working alone can do a work in 9 and 12 days respectively. If they work for a day alternately, A beginning, in how many days the work will be completed?
- Rate for A = $\frac{W}{t} = \frac{36}{9} = 4$ units per day
- Rate for B = $\frac{W}{t} = \frac{36}{12} = 3$ units per day
- When A and B alternate, the amount of work produced every 2 days = $4+3 = 7$ units

Example 1 – Alternative Method

- When A and B alternate, the amount of work produced every 2 days = $4+3 = 7$ units
- Number of 2 days periods ($2 \times 5 = 10$ days) required to produce 35 units = $\frac{35}{7} = 5$ and Rate for A (r) = 4
- Time for A to produce the remaining 1 unit on the last day
$$= \frac{w}{r} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\text{Total Time} = 10 \frac{1}{4} \text{ days or } \frac{41}{4} \text{ days}$$

Example 2

- A and B work on alternate days to complete a work with B beginning the work on the first day. A can finish the work alone in 48 days. If the work gets completed in $11\frac{1}{3}$ days, then in how many days B alone can finish 4 times the same work?
- A alone can finish the work in 48 days.
- A's one day work = $\frac{1}{48}$

Example 2

- Both A and B completed the work in $11\frac{1}{3}$ days = $\frac{34}{3}$
- As A and B works on alternate days, beginning with B.
- B will work only 6 days.
- A will work only for $(\frac{34}{3} - 6) = \frac{34 - 18}{3}$
 $= \frac{16}{3}$ or $5\frac{1}{3}$ days

Example 2

- A will work only for $\frac{16}{3}$ or $5\frac{1}{3}$ days
- A's $\frac{16}{3}$ or $5\frac{1}{3}$ days work = $\frac{16}{3} \times \frac{1}{48} = \frac{1}{9}$
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- Remaining work = $1 - \frac{1}{9} = \frac{8}{9}$
- B complete $\frac{8}{9}$ work in 6 days.
- B complete whole work in = $\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{9}{8}$ days = $\frac{27}{4}$ days
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Example 2

- B complete whole work in $\frac{27}{4}$ days.
- B alone can finish 4 times the same work in

$$= \cancel{4} \times \frac{27}{\cancel{4}}$$

$$= 27 \text{ days}$$

Example 3

- A and B can do a piece of work in 8 and 18 days respectively. In how many days the work will be completed if they both work on alternate days starting with B?
- Total work = LCM of 8 and 18 = 72
- A's one day work = $\frac{1}{8}$ and Efficiency of A = $\frac{9}{\cancel{72}/\cancel{8}}$ = 9
- B's one day work = $\frac{1}{18}$ and Efficiency of B = $\frac{4}{\cancel{72}/\cancel{18}}$ = 4

Example 3

- Two days work of A and B = $9 + 4 = 13$
- 5×2 (i.e., 10) days work of A and B = $5 \times 13 = 65$
- On 11th day, there is B's turn.
- So, B complete remaining work $= 72 - 65 = 7$
in $7 \times \frac{1}{4} = \frac{7}{4}$ days
- The work will be completed in $10\frac{7}{4}$ days.

Example 4

- A alone can complete a work in 16 days and B alone in 12 days. Starting with A, they work on alternate days. In how many days the total work will be completed?

- Two days work of A and B $= \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{12}$

$$= \frac{3 + 4}{48}$$

$$= \frac{7}{48}$$

Example 4

- Two days work of A and B $= \frac{7}{48}$
- 6 x 2 (i.e., 12) days work of A and B $= \cancel{6} \times \frac{7}{\cancel{48}_8} = \frac{7}{8}$
- Remaining work $= 1 - \frac{7}{8} = \frac{8-7}{8} = \frac{1}{8}$
- On 13th day, there is A's turn, Work done by A $= \frac{1}{16}$
- So, A complete remaining work $= \frac{1}{8} - \frac{1}{16}$

Example 4

- So, A complete remaining work = $\frac{1}{8} - \frac{1}{16} = \frac{2-1}{16} = \frac{1}{16}$

On 14th day, it is B's turn.

- $\frac{1}{12}$ work is done by B in 1 day.
- $\frac{1}{16}$ work is done by B in $\cancel{12}^3 \times \cancel{\frac{1}{16}}_4 = \frac{3}{4}$ days
- Total Time taken = $13 \frac{3}{4}$ days

Example 5

- A and B can do a work in 20 and 16 days respectively. If they work on alternative days beginning with A, then, in how many days the work will be completed?

- Two days work of A and B $= \frac{1}{20} + \frac{1}{16}$

$$= \frac{4 + 5}{80}$$

$$= \frac{9}{80}$$

Example 5

- Two days work of A and B $= \frac{9}{80}$
- 8 x 2 (i.e., 16) days work of A and B $= \cancel{8} \times \frac{\cancel{9}}{\cancel{80}}_{10} = \frac{9}{10}$
- Remaining work $= 1 - \frac{9}{10} = \frac{10 - 9}{10} = \frac{1}{10}$
- On 17th day, there is A's turn, Work done by A $= \frac{1}{20}$
- So, A complete remaining work $= \frac{1}{10} - \frac{1}{20}$

Example 5

- So, A complete remaining work = $\frac{1}{10} - \frac{1}{20} = \frac{2-1}{20} = \frac{1}{20}$

On 18th day, it is B's turn.

- $\frac{1}{12}$ work is done by B in 1 day.
- $\frac{1}{20}$ work is done by B in $\frac{3}{12} \times \frac{1}{\frac{1}{20}}$ = $\frac{3}{5}$ days
- Total Time taken = $17 \frac{3}{5}$ days

Example 6

- A and B can do a work in 12 and 36 days respectively. If they work on alternative days beginning with B, then, in how many days the work will be completed?
- Total work = LCM of 12 and 36 = 36
- A's one day work = $\frac{1}{12}$ and Efficiency of A = $\frac{3}{\cancel{36} \over \cancel{12}} = 3$
- B's one day work = $\frac{1}{36}$ and Efficiency of B = $\frac{4}{\cancel{36} \over \cancel{36}} = 1$

Example 6

- Two days work of A and B = $3 + 1 = 4$
- 9×2 (i.e., 18) days work of A and B = $9 \times 4 = 36$
- Remaining work = $36 - 36 = 0$
- The work will be completed in 18 days.

Example 7

- A and B can do a work in 8 and 12 days respectively. If they work on alternative days beginning with A, then, in how many days the work will be completed?

- Two days work of A and B $= \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{12}$

$$= \frac{3 + 2}{24}$$

$$= \frac{5}{24}$$

Example 7

- Two days work of A and B $= \frac{5}{24}$
- 4 x 2 (i.e., 8) days work of A and B $= 4 \times \frac{5}{24} = \frac{5}{6}$
- Remaining work $= 1 - \frac{5}{6} = \frac{6-5}{6} = \frac{1}{6}$
- On 9th day, there is A's turn, Work done by A $= \frac{1}{8}$
- So, A complete remaining work $= \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{8}$

Example 7

- So, A complete remaining work = $\frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{8} = \frac{4 - 3}{24} = \frac{1}{24}$

On 10th day, it is B's turn.

- $\frac{1}{12}$ work is done by B in 1 day.
- $\frac{1}{24}$ work is done by B in $\cancel{12}^1 \times \frac{1}{\cancel{24}_2} = \frac{1}{2}$ days
- Total Time taken = $9 \frac{1}{2}$ days

Conclusion

- Alternate Day Work
 - A & B working alone.
 - A beginning or B beginning.
 - Calculate number of days to complete the work.
 - If the work gets completed in 'X' days, then in how many days B alone can finish 'Y' times the same work?

Summary

- Time and Work
 - Alternate Day Work

That's all for now...