CoCoMo Metric for the Pac-Man Game

Pac-Man Game Description

Pac-Man is a maze chase game in which the player guides his character through a maze. The goal of the game is to collect all of the dots in the maze while avoiding four colored ghost characters — Blinky (red), Pinky (pink), Inky (cyan), and Clyde (orange) — who chase after and kill Pac-Man. When Pac-Man consumes all of the dots, the game concludes with Pac-Man as the winner. Pac-Man will lose a life if he is caught by a ghost; the game ends when all lives are lost. A few large "power pellets" are scattered among the pellets along the maze's paths. Eating these causes the ghosts to become afraid of the Pac-Man, causing them to flee. Pac-Man can eat the scared ghosts for extra points; when a ghost is eaten, it returns to the maze's Center box, where it "regenerates" and resumes its normal activity. Eating several scared ghosts in a row increases their point value. After a certain amount of time, the scared ghosts revert to their original form, and the Pac-Man loses its ability to eat the ghosts, requiring it to move away from the ghosts. Before the game begins, the player can adjust the difficulty level, which alters parameters such as the speed of the ghost and the duration of the power effect from eating the power pellets.

CoCoMo Model for the worst-case scenario

For the worst-case scenario, I have used the values explained in the slides of the professor's lecture.

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Environment/CM	1.2	3.7	7.4	1.2
Requirements	4.4	8.4	11.8	0.9
Design	2.2	16.8	23.7	0.9
Implementation	0.9	6.1	50.4	4.4
Assessment	0.9	4.7	35.5	5.6
Deployment	0.4	1.4	4.4	7.0

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CoCoMo Model for the best-case scenario

For the best-case scenario, I have used the values explained in the slides of the professor's lecture.

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CoCoMo Model for the Nominal Scenario

For the nominal scenario, I have used the values explained in the slides of the professor's lecture.

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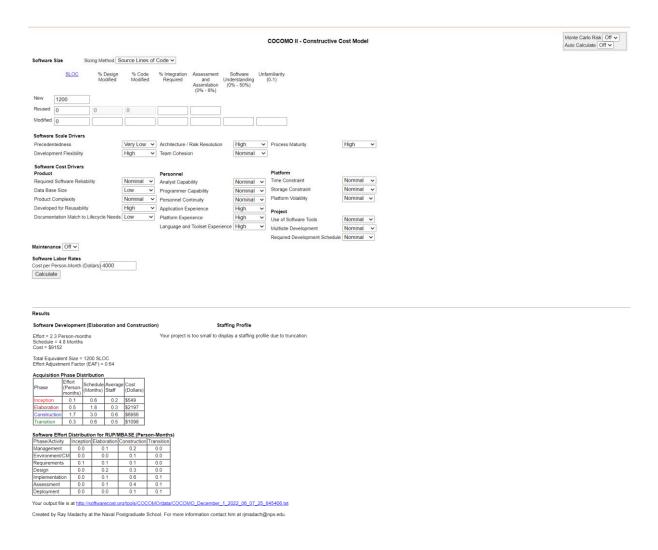
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CoCoMo Model for my Real Guess Scenario

For the real guess scenario,

- I have considered most of my factors to be nominal (taking into account a real-world scenario where there might be a mix of experience in teams).
 - a. But I have considered a few factors which I could consider could be modified.
 - b. I have considered some factors like flexibility, risk resolution, process maturity to be high but not very high as this is not an ideal case.
 - c. Similarly, I have set other factors to some different values as I saw fit.

Making these assumptions for the factors and considering the cost per person per month to be \$4000, I got an estimate cost of \$11990.



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Conclusion

- The overall cost in a best-case scenario is \$1754 and the overall cost in a worst-case scenario is \$779446 and for the nominal scenario is \$14370 and for the real guess scenario is \$9152.
- From these results you can see that there is a difference of more than \$700000 between the worst-case scenario and other scenarios. This makes a huge difference for the business.
- Again, observed from the results, the effort for the worst-case scenario is 194.9 person-months
 and for the best-case scenario is 0.4 which is almost 500 times more. Similarly comparing the
 effort resulted in the worst-case scenario is 50 times more than the effort resulted for the
 nominal scenario.
 - a. This means that when working with a team having low skill sets and expertise, the time, efforts and manpower, the total efforts have increased exponentially.
- Now comparing the results obtained for the scenario, that I have taken in my real guess scenario,
 I got a \$9152 overall cost which is less than the nominal cost but again 9 times over the best-case scenario which I think is still a good case.

Overall, COCOMO is a very useful tool for analysing and estimating efforts when the various involved factors are understood. It's very useful to see how these values change depending on the type of skills, platform, software metrics, and cost for each of the parameters.

CoCoMo Metric for the SNU-Treats Application

SNU-Treats Application Description

SNU-Treats is a ReactJS, NodeJS, and PostgreSQL-based progressive web application. So, on the Shiv Nadar University campus, there are a variety of eateries where students can get food and drinks in between classes. However, because students are unaware of the current traffic at these tuck shops, they frequently go and get stuck in long lines. This also affected me and my

classmates. So, as part of my second-year Software Engineering course, we were required to create and present any software application. So, my friends and I developed an application to assist Shiv Nadar University (SNU) students in pre-booking their snack orders from any one or multiple different tuck shops of their choice. So, when a student requests a specific order, that order request is sent to the various shops, where the person at their end can accept or decline the order. If there is no response from the person at the shop, the student's order is declined for a timeout reason. Similarly, if the shopkeeper declines the order, the order is declined and the reason for the decline is displayed to the user. In this regard, if the students' order is accepted completely or partially, an estimated waiting time for each item will be displayed to the student. Finally, if an item from the student's order is ready, the shop employee will notify the student and the item will be placed on hold for 15 minutes.

CoCoMo Model for my Best-Case Scenario

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Software Development (Elaboration and Construction)

Staffing Profile

Effort = 1.0 Person-months

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Total Equivalent Size = 3000 SLOC Effort Adjustment Factor (EAF) = 0.13

Acquisition Phase Distribution

Phase	Effort (Person- months)	Schedule (Months)	Average Staff	Cost (Dollars)
Inception	0.1	0.3	0.2	\$242
Elaboration	0.2	0.9	0.3	\$970
Construction	0.8	1.6	0.5	\$3071
Transition	0.1	0.3	0.4	\$485

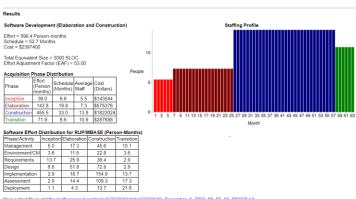
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CoCoMo Model for my Worst-Case Scenario





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CoCoMo Model for my Nominal Scenario

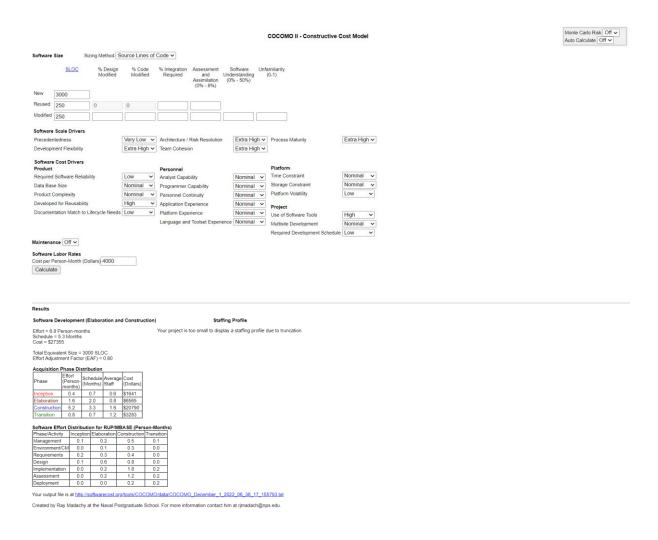
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CoCoMo Model for my Real Guess Scenario

For this application, I'm implying that my team is in their second year of a bachelor's degree program. As a result, the values I've assigned in this real-world scenario imply that. As a result, I set most of the factors to be nominal, but I set factors like flexibility and team cohesion to be extra high because this team was made up of friends and the application was a semester-long academic project. And, given the inexperience of my team, I have assigned a very low precedence. Other factors, such as Developed for Reusability, are also set to High because this was an academic project developed solely for that purpose, rather than for future reusability. Taking all these assumptions, into consideration and with \$4000 as cost per person per month, I got an estimate overall cost of \$27355. Also, the LOC for this project is 3000.



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Conclusion

- The overall cost in a best-case scenario is \$4040 and the overall cost in a worst-case scenario is \$2397400 and for the nominal scenario is \$39363 and for the real guess scenario is \$27355.
- From these results you can see that there is a difference of more than \$2000000 between the worst-case scenario and other scenarios. This makes a huge difference for the business.
- Again, observed from the results, the effort for the worst-case scenario is 599.4 person-months
 and for the best-case scenario is 1 which is 600 times more. Similarly comparing the effort
 resulted in the worst-case scenario is 60 times more than the effort resulted for the nominal
 scenario.
 - a. This means that when working with a team having low skill sets and expertise, the time, efforts and manpower, the total efforts have increased exponentially.
- Now comparing the results obtained for the scenario, that I have taken in my real guess scenario,
 I got a \$27355 overall cost which is less than the nominal cost but again 7 times over the best-case scenario which I think is still a good case.

COCOMO may not be a very useful tool for analysing and estimating efforts because this is a small-scale academic project. Though not entirely useful in this case, the time and effort estimates are consistent with the observed behaviour. It's interesting to see how these values change depending on the type of skills, platform, software metrics, and cost for each parameter.