

ESTIMATION BASED NUMERICALS / COCOMO BASED NUMERICALS-

Using COCOMO, estimate time required for the following : (estimate effort, development time and person required.)

- 1) A semi-detached model of software project of 2000 lines.
- 2) An embedded model of software of 30,000 lines.

Solution : To estimate time using basic model of COCOMO following formula can be used.

$$E = a_b(KLOC)^{b_b}$$

where E is the effort in person-month.

$$D = c_b(E)^{d_b}$$

where D is development time in chronological months.

$$P = E/D$$

where P is total number of persons involved in the project. The constants are -

System	a_b	b_b	c_b	d_b
Organic system	2.4	1.05	2.5	0.38
<u>Semidetached system</u>	3.0	1.12	2.5	0.35
Embedded system	3.6	1.20	2.5	0.32

- 1) Given that, System = Semidetached

Lines of code = 2000 lines = 2 KLOC

$$E = a_b(KLOC)^{b_b}$$

$$E = 3.0(2)^{1.12}$$

$$E = 6.58 \text{ person-month}$$

$$D = c_b(E)^{d_b}$$

$$D = 4.8 \text{ months}$$

$$P = E/D$$

$$P = 1.3 = 1 \text{ person}$$

Thus 1 person can handle this project within approximately 5 months.

2) Given that, System = Embedded

Lines of code = 30,000 lines = 30 KLOC

$$E = a_b(\text{KLOC})^{b_b}$$

$$E = 3.6(30)^{1.20}$$

$$E = 213 \text{ person - month}$$

$$D = c_b(E)^{d_b}$$

$$D = 2.5(213)^{0.32}$$

$$D = 14 \text{ months}$$

$$P = E/D$$

$$P = 213/14$$

$$P = 15 \text{ persons.}$$

That means 15 persons can complete this project within approximately 14 months.

Practice this -

Using COCOMO, estimate time required for the following :

- 1) *An organic model of software of one lakh lines.*
- 2) *An organic model of software of 10 lakh lines.*