

E355 Engineering Economics Spring 2022
Homework #2

“I pledge my honor that I have abided by the Stevens Honor System”

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2.1 NJ Transit is considering replacing part of their train fleet. They have narrowed their choices down to two alternatives.

Description	Automaker A	Automaker B
First Cost	\$ 49,000,000	\$ 40,000,000
Salvage value	\$ 4,000,000	\$ 5,000,000
Annual Benefit	\$ 14,000,000	\$ 13,000,000
Annual O&M Cost	\$ 3,500,000	\$ 4,000,000
Life	12	12
MARR	15%	15%

a) Calculate the PW for both the alternatives. (Do not use AW or FW) [6 point]

Automaker A:

$$PW = A(P/A, i, N) + F(P/F, i, N) - P$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 10,500(P/A, 15, 12) + 4,000(P/F, 15, 12) - 49,000 \\ &= 10,500(5.421) + 4,000(0.1869) - 49,000 \\ &= \$8668.10 \end{aligned}$$

Automaker B:

$$PW = A(P/A, i, N) + F(P/F, i, N) - P$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 9,000(P/A, 15, 12) + 5,000(P/F, 15, 12) - 40,000 \\ &= 9,000(5.421) + 5,000(0.1869) - 40,000 \\ &= \$9723.50 \end{aligned}$$

b) Calculate the AW for both the alternatives. (Do not use PW or FW) [6 points]

Automaker A:

$$AW = A + F(A/F, i, N) - P(A/P, i, N)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 10,500 + 4,000(A/F, 15, 12) - 49,000(A/P, 15, 12) \\ &= 10,500 + 4,000(0.0345) - 49,000(0.1845) \\ &= \$1597.50 \end{aligned}$$

Automaker B:

$$AW = A + F(A/F, i, N) - P(A/P, i, N)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 9,000 + 5,000(A/F, 15, 12) - 40,000(A/P, 15, 12) \\
 &= 9,000 + 5,000(0.0345) - 40,000(0.1845) \\
 &= \$1792.50
 \end{aligned}$$

c) Calculate the FW for both the alternatives. (Do not use PW or AW) [6 points]

Automaker A:

$$FW = A(F/A, i, N) + F - P(F/P, i, N)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 10,500(F/A, 15, 12) + 4,000 - 49,000(F/P, 15, 12) \\
 &= 10,500(29.002) + 4,000 - 49,000(5.350) \\
 &= \$46,371.00
 \end{aligned}$$

Automaker B:

$$FW = A(F/A, i, N) + F - P(F/P, i, N)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 9,000(F/A, 15, 12) + 5,000 - 40,000(F/P, 15, 12) \\
 &= 9,000(29.002) + 5,000 - 40,000(5.350) \\
 &= \$52,108.00
 \end{aligned}$$

d) Which alternative should be chosen? Why? [2 point]

Automaker B, as it has a higher PW, AW, and FW than Automaker A.

2.2 StayPuff Marshmallow Company is trying to decide between three systems that are necessary in its manufacturing facility.

System	Installed Cost	Annual O&M	Salvage Value
A	\$ 42,000	\$ 32,000	\$ 10,000
B	\$ 26,000	\$ 34,000	\$ 8,000
C	\$ 37,000	\$ 33,000	\$ 9,000

Assuming the system is expected to last and be used for 8 years and MMs has a minimum attractive rate of return (MARR) of 18%, which system should be purchased?

a) Calculate the EUAC for the System A. [2 points]

$$EUAC = P(A/P, i, n) - S(A/F, i, n) + O\&M$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 42,000(A/P, 18, 8) - 10,000(A/F, 18, 8) + 32,000 \\
&= 42,000(0.2452) - 10,000(0.0652) + 32,000 \\
&= \$41,646.40
\end{aligned}$$

b) Calculate the EUAC for the System B. [2 points]

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{EUAC} &= P(A/P, i, n) - S(A/F, i, n) + \text{O\&M} \\
&= 26,000(A/P, 18, 8) - 8,000(A/F, 18, 8) + 34,000 \\
&= 26,000(0.2452) - 8,000(0.0652) + 34,000 \\
&= \$39,853.60
\end{aligned}$$

c) Calculate the EUAC for the System C. [2 points]

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{EUAC} &= P(A/P, i, n) - S(A/F, i, n) + \text{O\&M} \\
&= 37,000(A/P, 18, 8) - 9,000(A/F, 18, 8) + 33,000 \\
&= 37,000(0.2452) - 9,000(0.0652) + 33,000 \\
&= \$41,485.60
\end{aligned}$$

d) Which system should be adopted? Why? [2 point]

For fixed output, minimize EUAC. System B has the smallest EUAC, so System B should be adopted.