Summary of 18SEPT20

Gestion de Project – Overall WoW

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 - Annexe : Concentration
 - Exercice Critical path with correction

Chapter 2 : Project - Scope

■ The scope states what the objectives of the project are and what goals must be met to achieve success

A good Objective must be **SMART** or **SMARTED**:

S: Specific

M: Measurable

A: Achievable

R: Realistic

T: Time Limited

E: Ethical

D: Documented

Chapter 2 : Project - Project Life cycle

- Project Life cycle → four Phases
 - Project Initiation : Defines the phase start and authorises action
 - Project Planning: Defines the objectives and the work required
 - Project Execution : Measure, monitor and adjust as needed
 - Project Closure: Formal acceptance of the project deliverables, end of phase



Chapter 2: Project - Work Breakdown Structure (WBS)

- WBS allows :
 - to visually define the scope into manageable chunks that a project team can understand \rightarrow to define all the work needed
 - to identifying the major functional deliverables and subdividing those deliverables into smaller systems and sub-deliverables.

 \to subdivide a project into smaller work items / tasks / activities
 - to group all the activities logically
 - to help to identify the activities
- To develop a WBS :
 - Top / Down
 - Bottow up
 - Mind-mapping Technique

Chapter 3 : Time

Planning Definition



Planning

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- Planning Definition :
 - Identify tasks or activities / key milestones / deliverables
 - Estimate the amount of time needed to execute the activity → difference between duration and effort
 - Estimation tools & techniques include :
 - Expert judgement
 - Analogous estimation (eg. past projects): it uses parameters from previous, similar products
 - Parametric estimation (eg. statistical database)
 - "Three-points estimates" (technique is called PERT (Program Evaluation and Review Technique):
 - **Beta distribution** → using a weighted average of 3 estimates (O = Optimistic estimate, M= Most Likely Value, P = Pessimistic estimate)

 $T_F = (O+P+4\times M)/6$

- **triangular distribution** \rightarrow average of Optimistic / Pessimistic and Most Like Estimates :

$$T_E = [O+P+M]/3$$

- Activity Sequency & Constraints
 - Identifying in what order the activities must be executed
 - Dependency: Mandatory or "hard" dependencies (constraint) or Discretionary or "soft" dependencies
 - Links:
- 1. Finish-to-start (common)

2. Finish-to-finish

3. Start-to-start

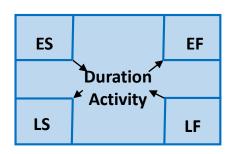
4. Start-to-finish

5. Lag = wait time

6. Lead = Acceleration time

Chapter 3 : Time

- Planning Building : Critical Path Method
 - **Identify the Critical Path**: The critical path can be identified using these parameters:



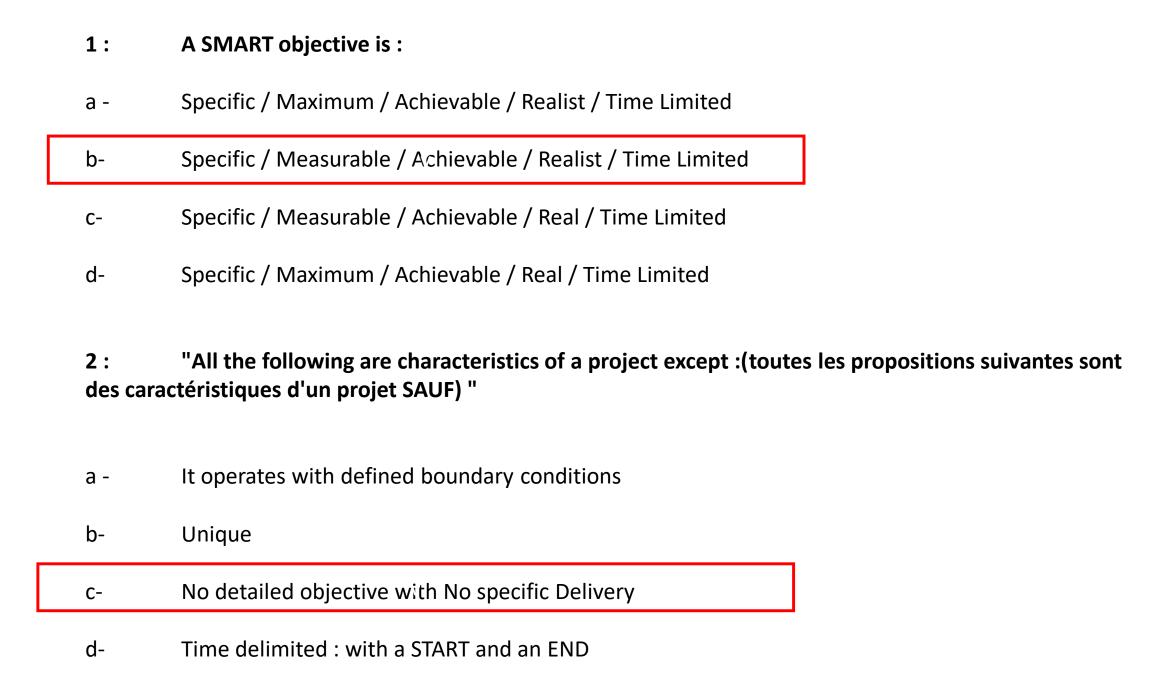
- **ES Early Start**: earliest time to start a predetermined activity, given that prior activities must be completed first
- **EF Early Finish**: earliest finish time for the activity → early start + duration
- LF Late Finish: latest time the activity must be completed without delaying the entire project
- LS Late Start: latest start date that the activity must be started without delaying the project
- \rightarrow LF duration

\$\top \text{The critical path is the path through the project network in which none of the activities have been delayed, that is, the path for which ES=LS and EF=LF for all activities in the path.

A delay in the critical path delays the project.

- → Calculate forward pass : Early start + duration = Early Finish
- → Calculate Backward pass : Late Finish duration = Late Start
- → Calculate the float per activity: Float on any activity is calculated either by LS ES or LF EF.

Activities with zero float are activities on the critical path.



3 – All the following are characterisitics of a project except :

- a Temporary
- b Definite beginning and end
- c Unique
- d Repeats itself every month

4 – During which life cycle phase is the detailed project schedule created:

- a Initiating
- b Before the project management life cycle
- c Planning
- d Execution

5- During Activity Sequency & Constraints, what link is the most common:

- a Finish-to-finish
- b Finish-to-start
- c Start-to-start
- d Start-to-finish

6- The critical path in a schedule network is the path that:

- a takes the longest time to complete
- b must be done before any other tasks
- c allows some flexibility in scheduling a start time
- d- is not affected by schedule slippage

7- A dependency that requires that design must be completed before manufacturing can start is an example of :

- a Discretionary or "soft" dependencies
- b Mandatory or "hard" dependencies
- c Internal or external dependency
- d- Scope dependency

8– If the Optimistic estimate for a task is 12 days, pessimistic is 18 days, what is the most likely estimate:

- a 15 days
- b 13 days
- c 16 days
- d- Unknown

9— To control the schedule, a PM is re-analysing the project to predict project duration. He does this by analysing the sequence of activities with the least amount of scheduling flexibility. What technique is used:

a - Critical Path

b – Flowchart

c – Precedence Diagramming

d- Work Breakdown structure

10-Lag means:

a – Amount of time a task can be delayed without delaying the project

b – Amount of time a task can be delayed without delaying the early start date of its predecessor

c – Waiting time

d- The product of a forward pass and backward pass

11 - A float is:

- a The reduction of the overall project duration by using buffers
- b The addition of time to delay the start of an activity
- c The period of time which a task has available for flexibility in its start or finish.
- d The reduction of the overall project duration by adding additional resources