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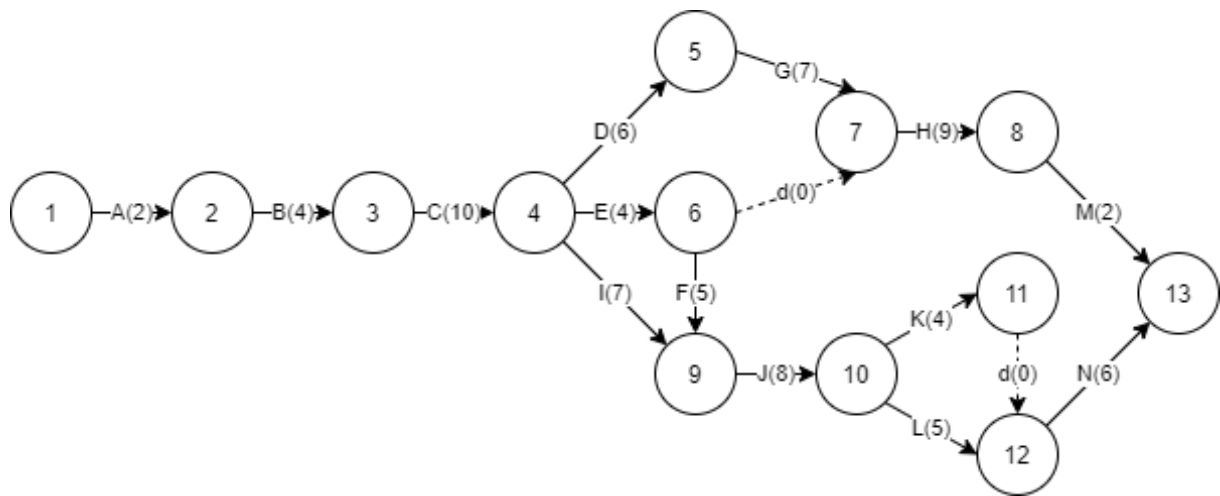
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Part a)



Network Diagram

Part b,c,d)

Expected completion time and variance can be calculated using following formulae where a is optimistic time m is most likely and b is pessimistic time:

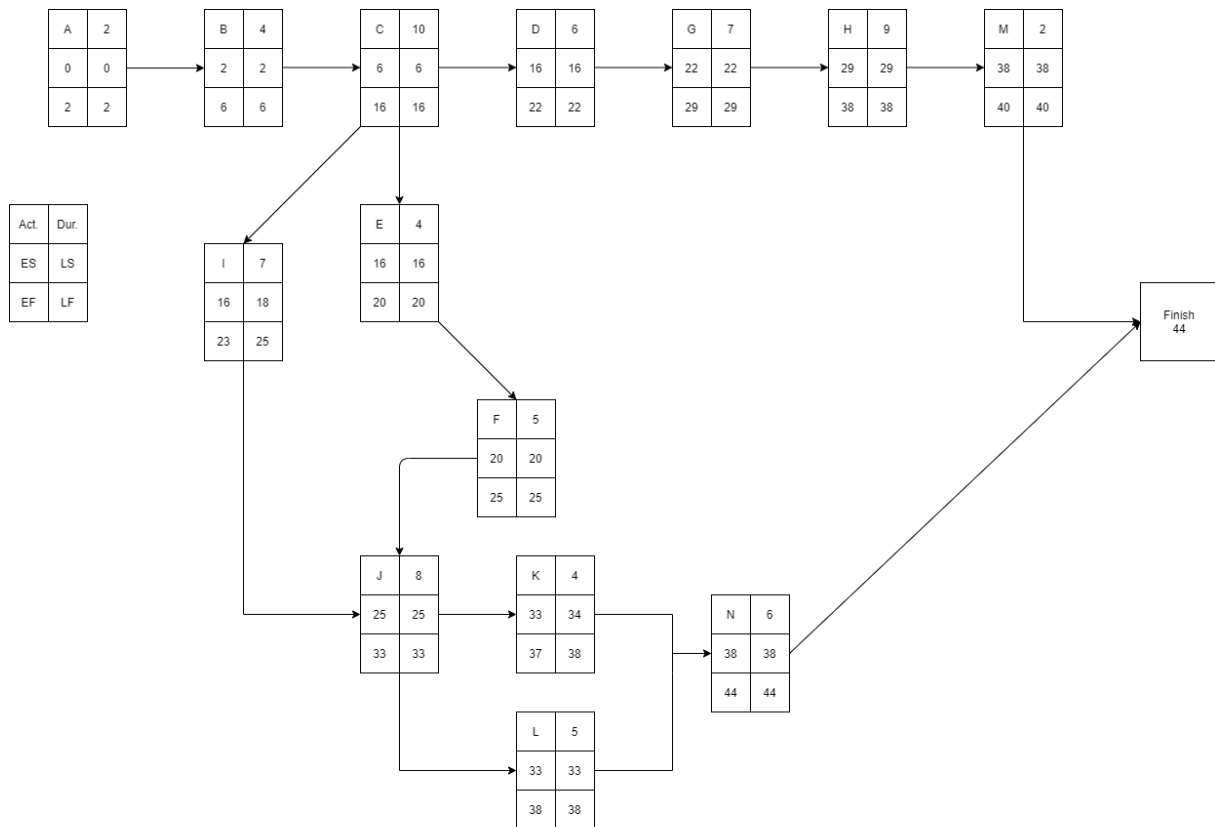
$$e = \frac{a + 4m + b}{6}$$

$$\sigma^2 = \left(\frac{b - a}{6} \right)^2$$

Activity	Optimistic	Most likely	Pessimistic	Expected	Variance
A	1	2	3	2	0.111111
B	2	3.5	8	4	1
C	6	9	18	10	4
D	4	5.5	10	6	1
E	1	4.5	5	4	0.444444
F	4	4	10	5	1
G	5	6.5	11	7	1
H	5	8	17	9	4
I	3	7.5	9	7	1
J	3	9	9	8	1
K	4	4	4	4	0
L	1	5.5	7	5	1
M	1	2	3	2	0.111111
N	5	5.5	9	6	0.444444
				Project Variance	9
				Project Std. Dev.	3

Expected times and variances calculated by Excel

To find the critical path we can construct the PERT Network as follows:



Critical Path: A=>B=>C=>E=>F=>J=>L=>N

PERT Network

The project variance is simply the sum of variances of the projects along the critical path.

$$\sigma_A^2 + \sigma_B^2 + \sigma_C^2 + \sigma_E^2 + \sigma_F^2 + \sigma_J^2 + \sigma_L^2 + \sigma_N^2 = \sigma_{Project}^2$$

$$0.111111 + 1 + 4 + 0.444444 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 0.444444 = 9$$

Minimum completion time is 44 as shown in the PERT Network diagram.

Part e)

Probability can be calculated using z tables:

$$F\left(\frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}\right) = F\left(\frac{35 - 44}{3}\right) = F(-3) \approx 0.0013$$