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Project Management



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PM Process Groups



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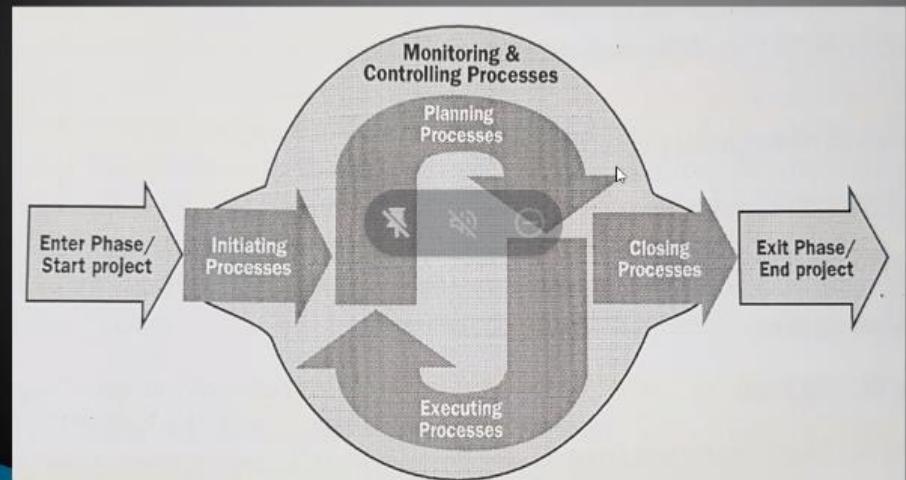


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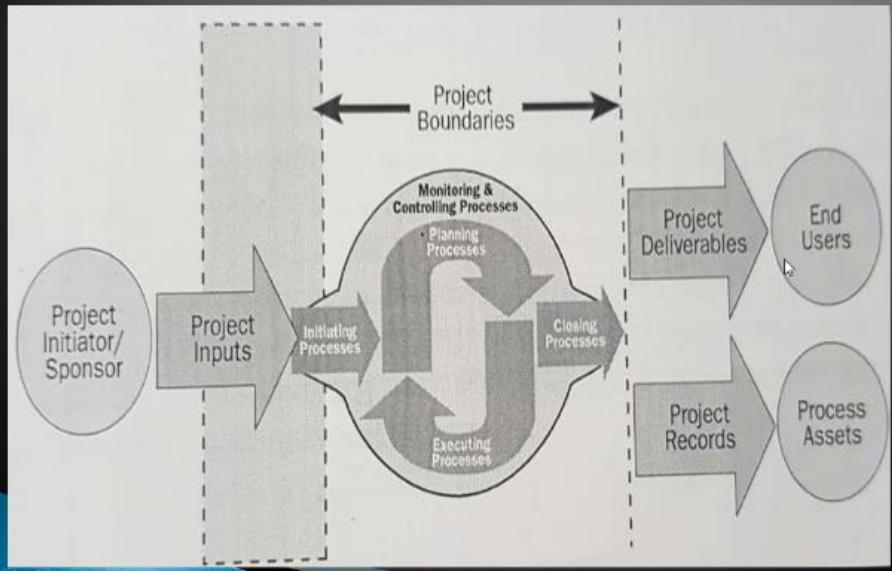


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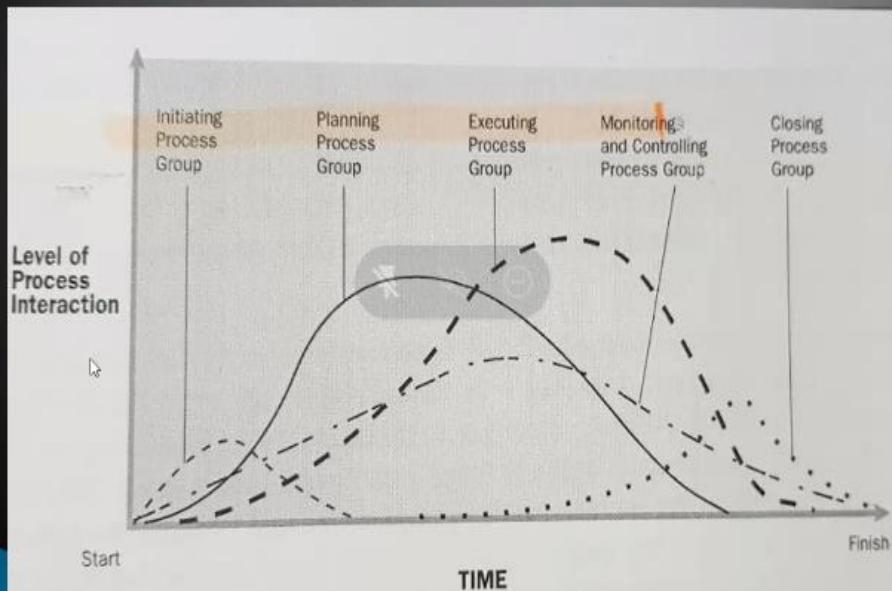
Process Group Flow



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Process Group Interaction



Knowledge Areas



Triple Constraint



What is Needed?

Strategic Advisor

Innovator

Communicator

Versatile Manager

Big Thinker



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Skill Focus:

What skills are you looking
for when you hire?



98% Communication Skills

97% Positive Attitude

92% Adaptable to Change

92% Teamwork Skills

88% Goal Oriented

The Focus on Skills



What skills are hardest to find,
but most important to you?

1. Communication Skills 91%

2. Positive Attitude 85%

3. Adaptable to Change 85%

4. Teamwork Skills 82%

5. Strategic Thinking & Analytics 78%

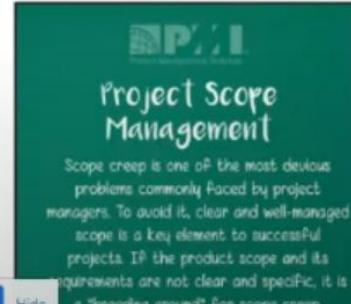
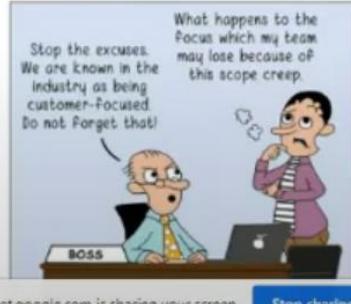
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Scope Management

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Scope Management

- ▶ This includes to ensure all work required, only work required to complete project successfully.
- ▶ Primarily concerned with defining and controlling what us and is not included in the project

Scope Management

Includes Steps –

- ❖ Plan Scope Management
- ❖ Collect Requirement
- ❖ Define Scope
- ❖ Create WBS
- ❖ Validate Scope
- ❖ Control Scope

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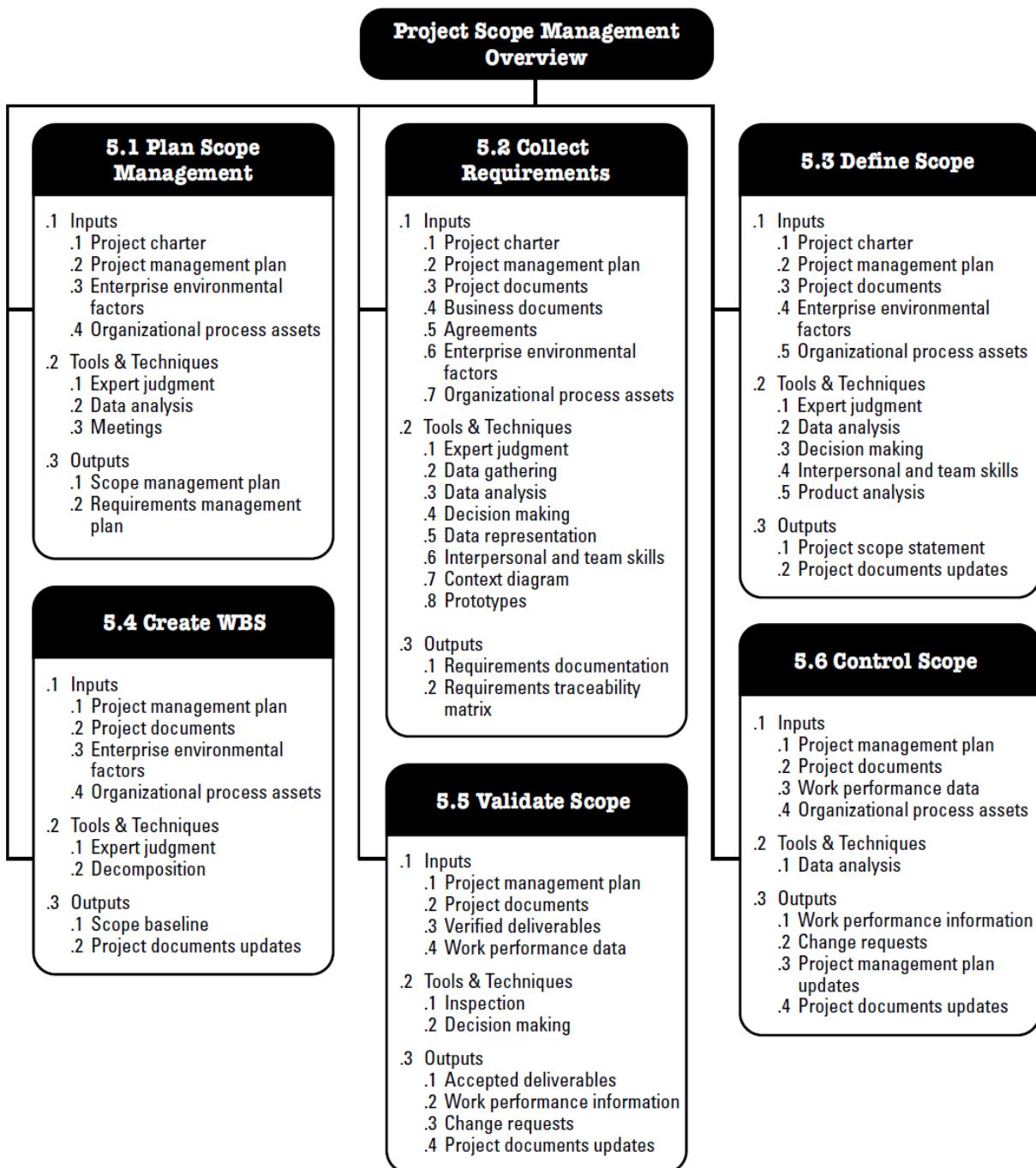
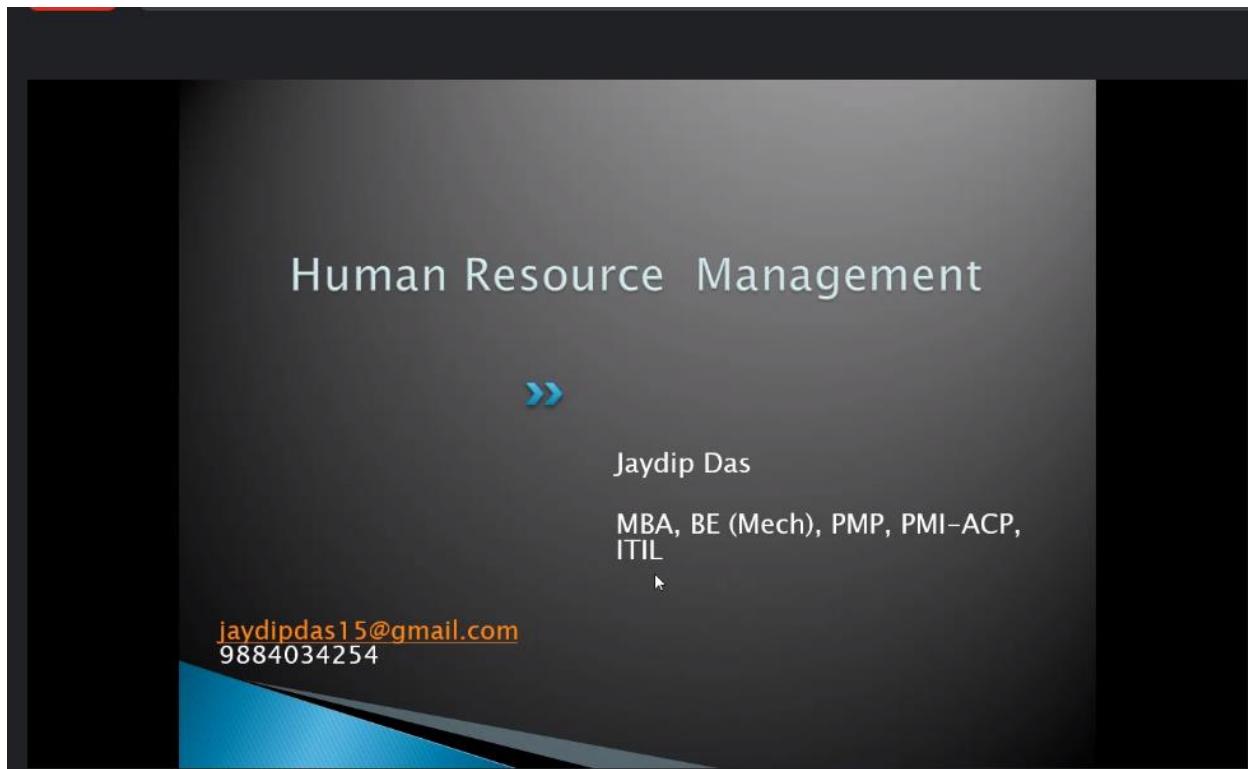
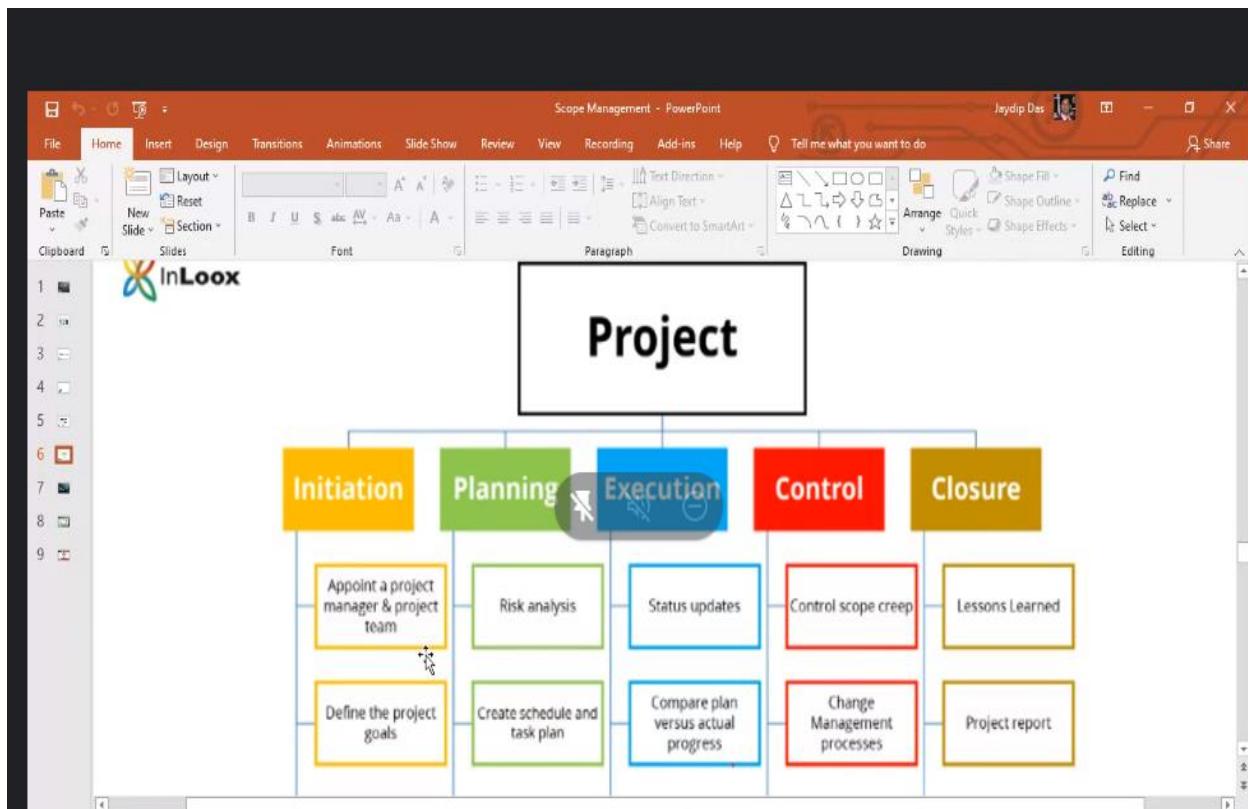
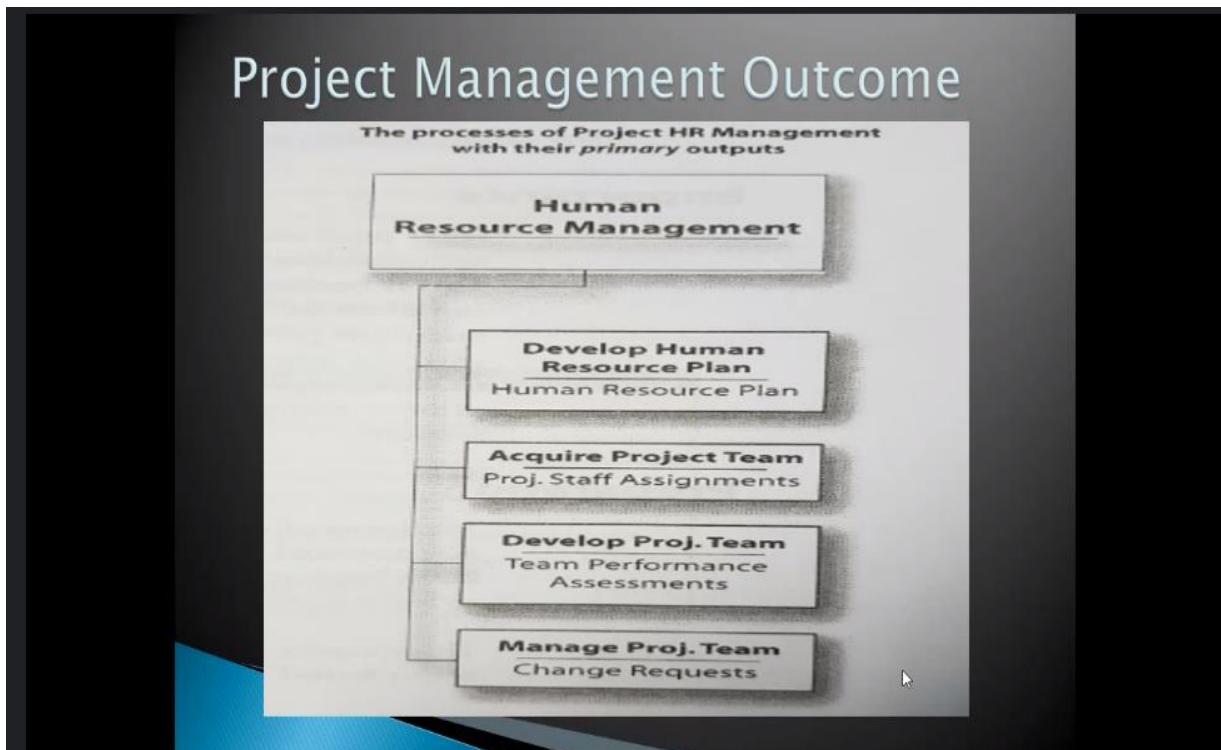


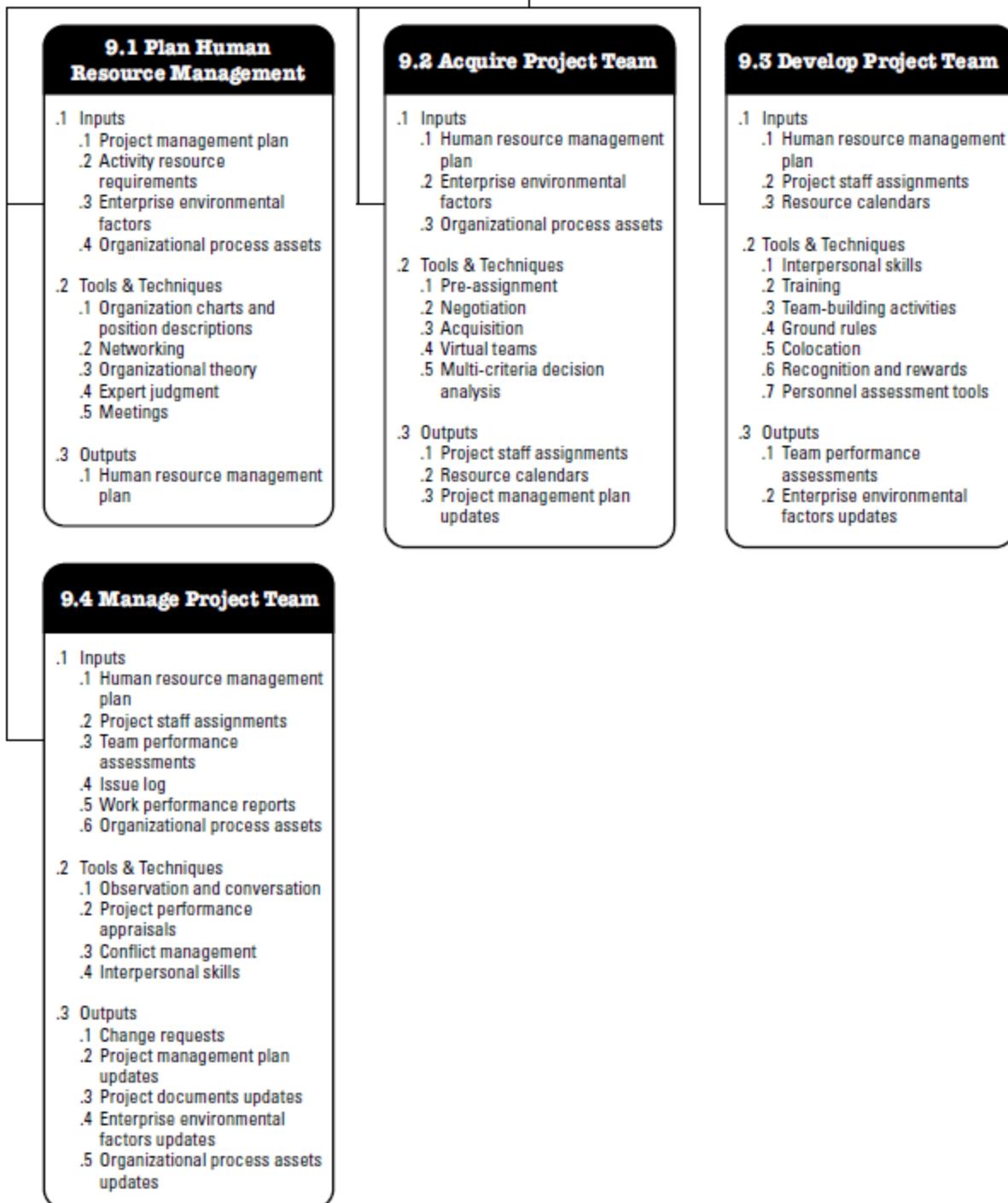
Figure 5-1. Project Scope Management Overview

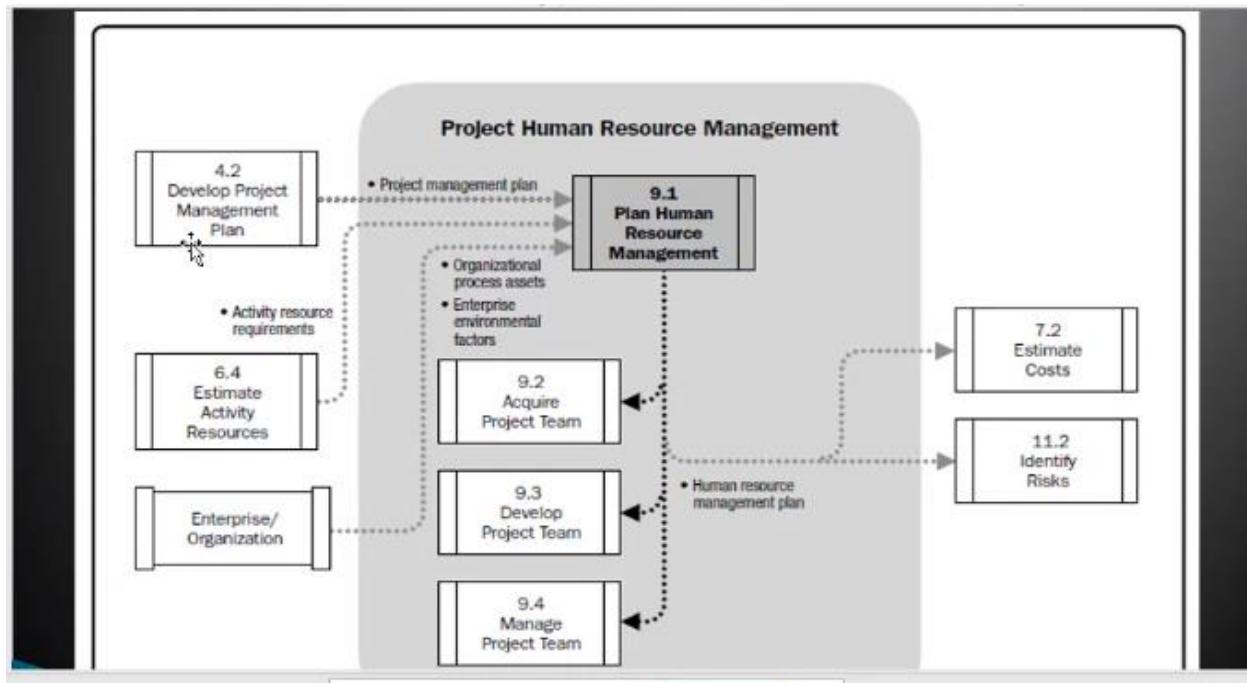


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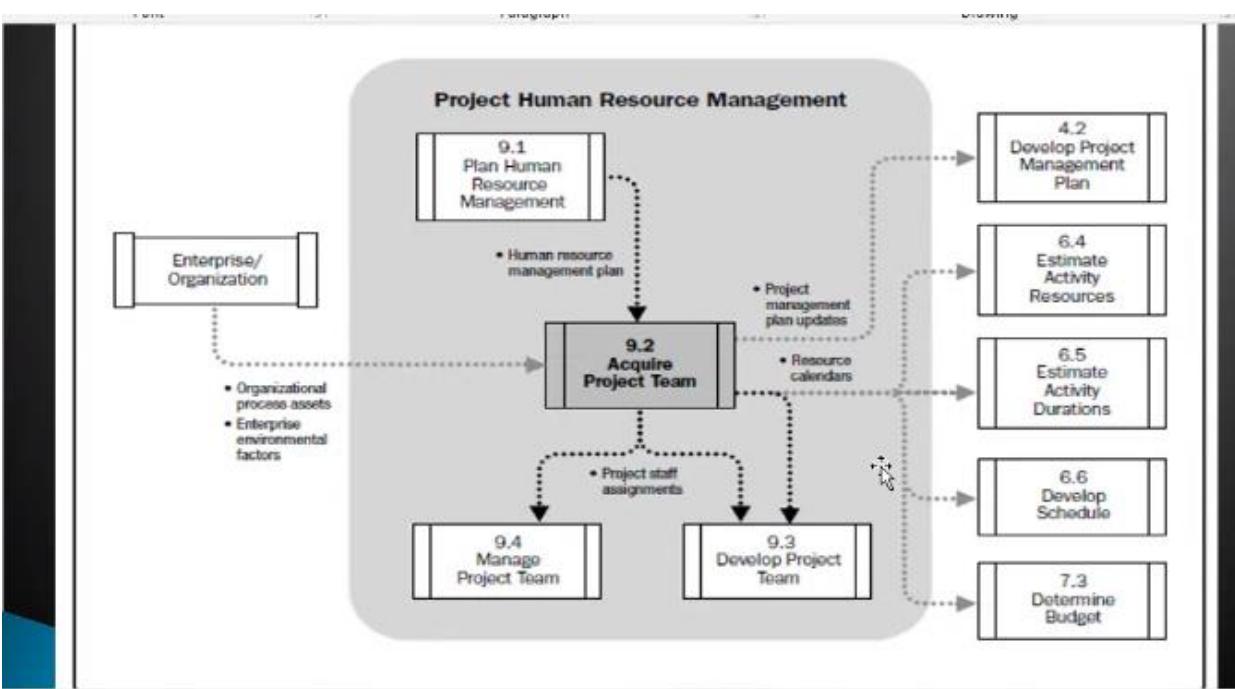
Project Human Resource Management Overview

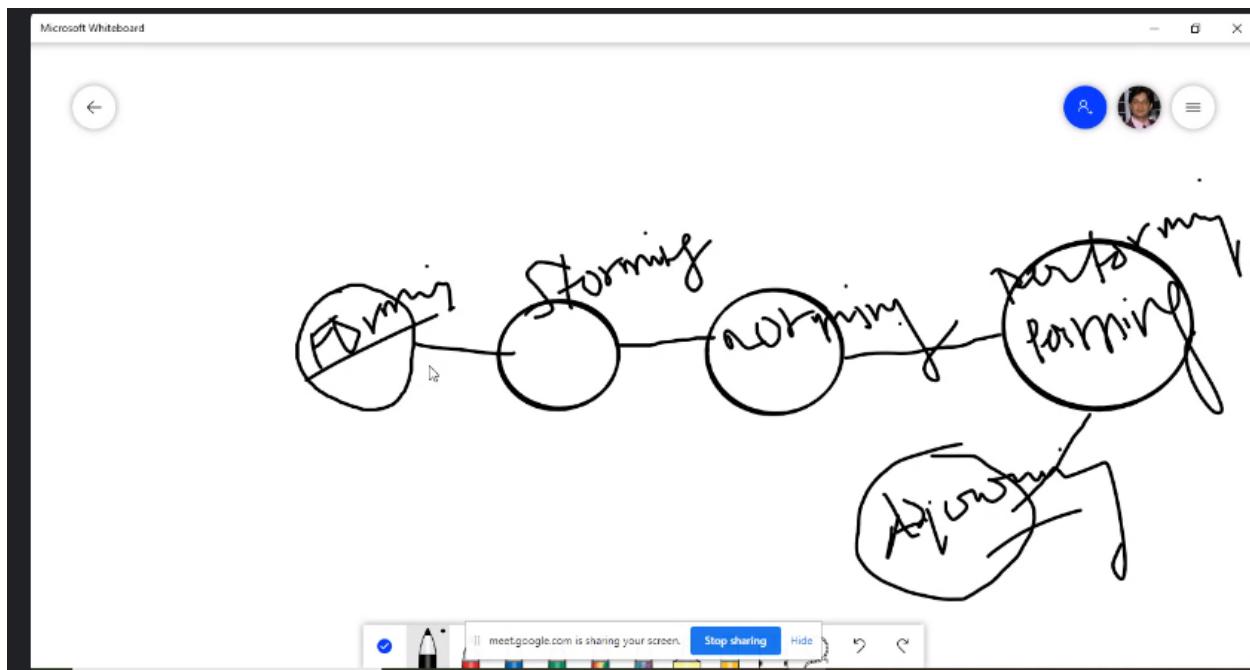




Process Group	Human Resource Management Process
Initiating	None
Planning	Develop Human Resource Management Plan ☒ ☓ ☐
Executing	Acquire Project Team, Develop Project Team, Manage Project Team
Monitoring & Controlling	None
Closing	None

Human Resource Management Process	Primary Output
Develop Human Resource Management Plan	Human Resource Plan
Acquire Project Team	Staff Assignment Resource Calendar
Develop Project Team	Team Performance Assessment
Manage Project Team	Change Request





Recognition – Theories

Mashlow Hierarchy of Need

McGregor's Theory X and Theory Y

Develop Human Resource Management Plan



Herzberg's Motivation – Hygiene Theory

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Conflict Management

Withdraw/Avoid

Smooth/Accommodate

Compromise/Reconcile



Force/Direct

Collaborate/Problem Solve

Communication Management



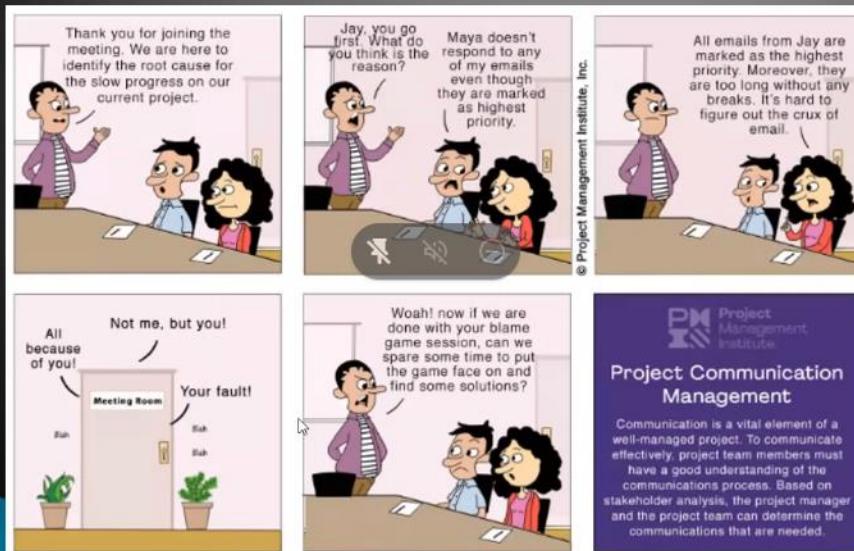
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Main Activities

Plan Communication Management

Manage Communication



Control Communication

Project Communications Management Overview

10.1 Plan Communications Management

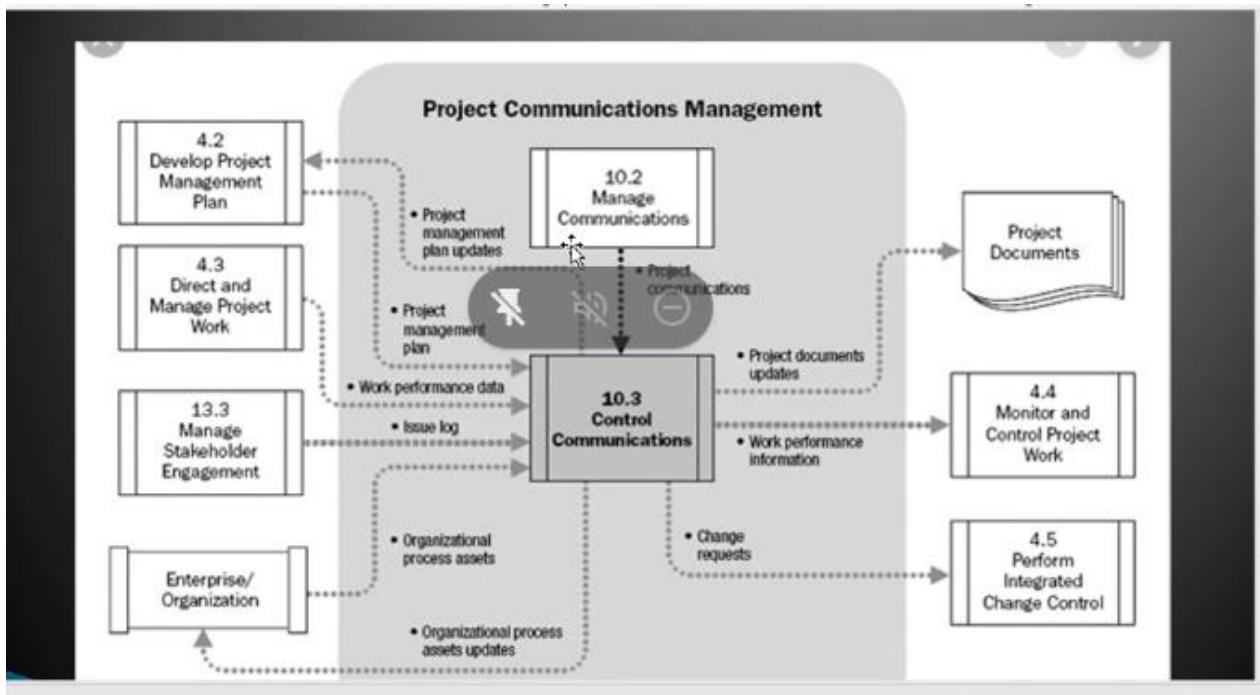
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 - .1 Project charter
 - .2 Project management plan
 - .3 Project documents
 - .4 Enterprise environmental factors
 - .5 Organizational process assets
- .2 Tools & Techniques
 - .1 Expert judgment
 - .2 Communication requirements analysis
 - .3 Communication technology
 - .4 Communication models
 - .5 Communication methods
 - .6 Interpersonal and team skills
 - .7 Data representation
 - .8 Meetings
- .3 Outputs
 - .1 Communications management plan
 - .2 Project management plan updates
 - .3 Project documents update

10.2 Manage Communications

- .1 Inputs
 - .1 Project management plan
 - .2 Project documents
 - .3 Work performance reports
 - .4 Enterprise environmental factors
 - .5 Organizational process assets
- .2 Tools & Techniques
 - .1 Communication technology
 - .2 Communication methods
 - .3 Communication skills
 - .4 Project management information system
 - .5 Project reporting
 - .6 Interpersonal and team skills
 - .7 Meetings
- .3 Outputs
 - .1 Project communications
 - .2 Project management plan updates
 - .3 Project documents updates
 - .4 Organizational process assets updates

10.3 Monitor Communications

- .1 Inputs
 - .1 Project management plan
 - .2 Project documents
 - .3 Work performance data
 - .4 Enterprise environmental factors
 - .5 Organizational process assets
- .2 Tools & Techniques
 - .1 Expert judgment
 - .2 Project management information system
 - .3 Data representation
 - .4 Interpersonal and team skills
 - .5 Meetings
- .3 Outputs
 - .1 Work performance information
 - .2 Change requests
 - .3 Project management plan updates
 - .4 Project documents updates



Stakeholder Management



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Main Activities

Identify Stakeholder

Plan Stakeholder Management

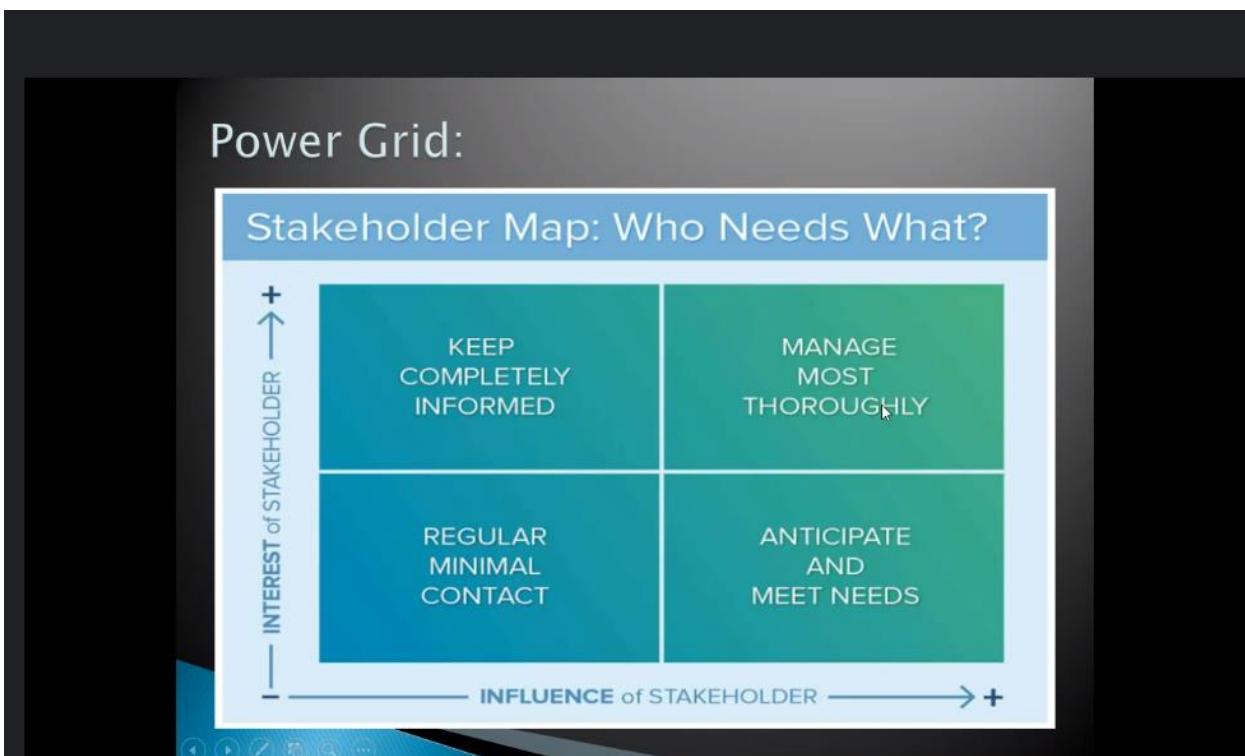
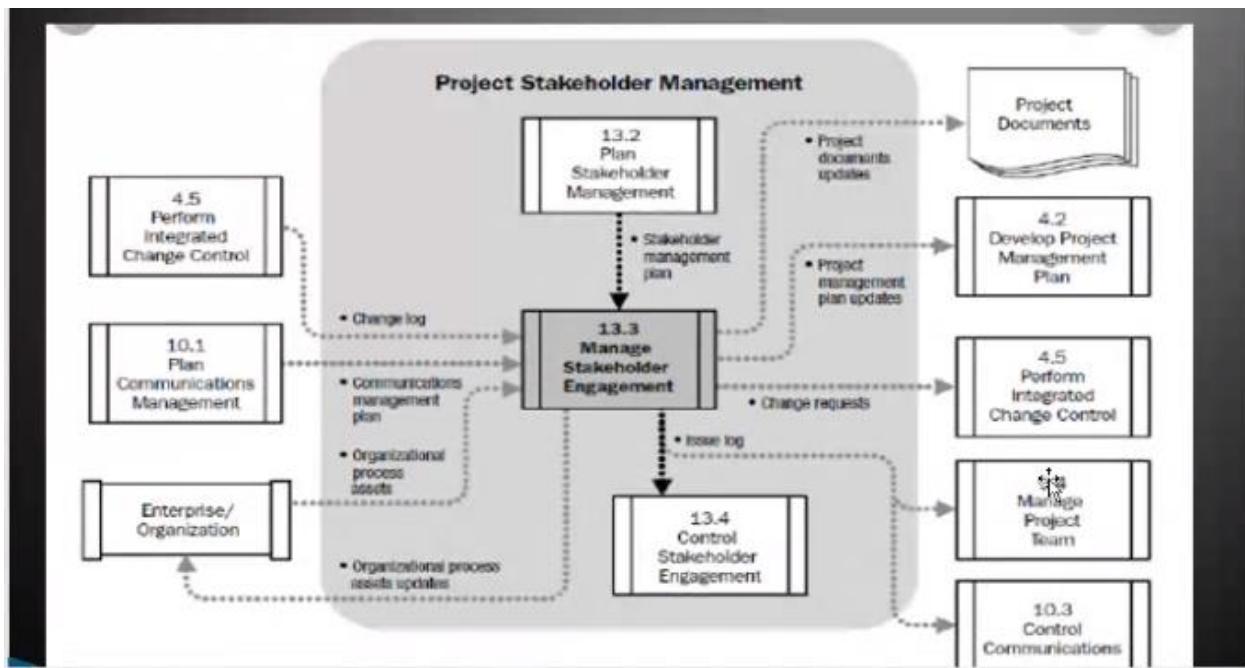


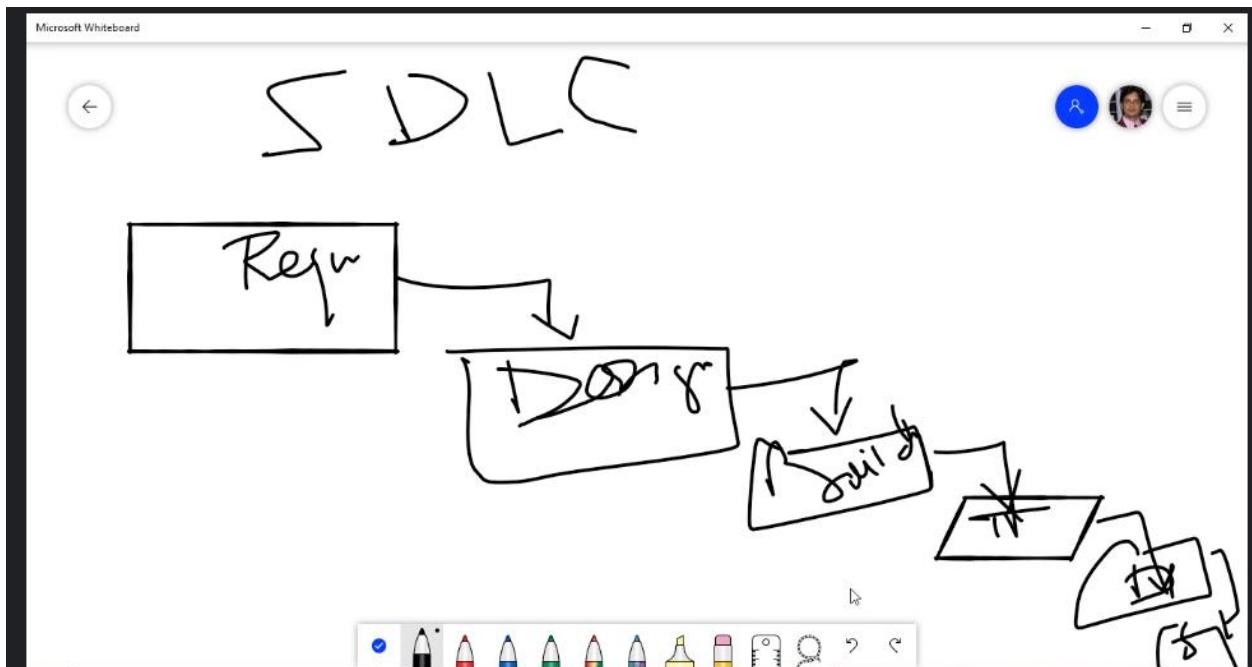
Manage Stakeholder Engagement

Control Stakeholder Engagement

Project Stakeholder Management Overview

13.1 Identify Stakeholders	13.2 Plan Stakeholder Engagement	13.3 Manage Stakeholder Engagement	13.4 Monitor Stakeholder Engagement
<ul style="list-style-type: none">.1 Inputs<ul style="list-style-type: none">.1 Project charter.2 Business documents.3 Project management plan.4 Project documents.5 Agreements.6 Enterprise environmental factors.7 Organizational process assets.2 Tools & Techniques<ul style="list-style-type: none">.1 Expert judgment.2 Data gathering.3 Data analysis.4 Data representation.5 Meetings.3 Outputs<ul style="list-style-type: none">.1 Stakeholder register.2 Change requests.3 Project management plan updates.4 Project documents updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none">.1 Inputs<ul style="list-style-type: none">.1 Project charter.2 Project management plan.3 Project documents.4 Agreements.5 Enterprise environmental factors.6 Organizational process assets.2 Tools & Techniques<ul style="list-style-type: none">.1 Expert judgment.2 Data gathering.3 Data analysis.4 Decision making.5 Data representation.6 Meetings.3 Outputs<ul style="list-style-type: none">.1 Stakeholder engagement plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none">.1 Inputs<ul style="list-style-type: none">.1 Project management plan.2 Project documents.3 Enterprise environmental factors.4 Organizational process assets.2 Tools & Techniques<ul style="list-style-type: none">.1 Expert judgment.2 Communication skills.3 Interpersonal and team skills.4 Ground rules.5 Meetings.3 Outputs<ul style="list-style-type: none">.1 Change requests.2 Project management plan updates.3 Project documents updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none">.1 Inputs<ul style="list-style-type: none">.1 Project management plan.2 Project documents.3 Work performance data.4 Enterprise environmental factors.5 Organizational process assets.2 Tools & Techniques<ul style="list-style-type: none">.1 Data analysis.2 Decision making.3 Data representation.4 Communication skills.5 Interpersonal and team skills.6 Meetings.3 Outputs<ul style="list-style-type: none">.1 Work performance information.2 Change requests.3 Project management plan updates.4 Project documents updates





Agile Manifesto

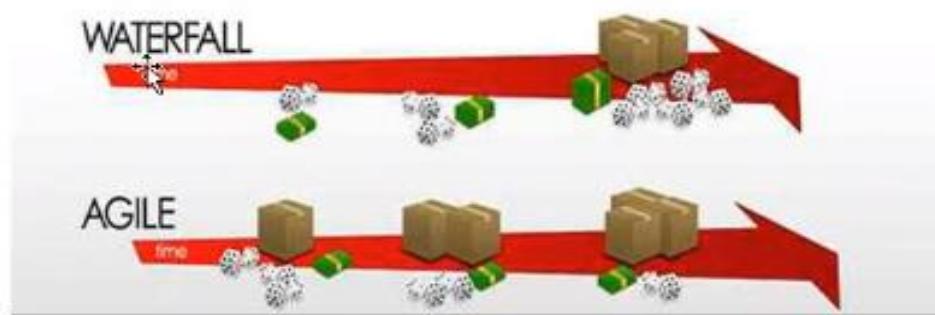
- INDIVIDUAL and INTERACTION over process and Tools
- WORKING SOFTWARE over comprehensive documents
- CUSTOMER COLLABORATION over contract negotiations
- RESPONDING TO CHANGE over following a plan

Agile Principles

- Self – organized team – source of best requirements, architecture design
- Team reflection – regular intervals to become more effective



Difference Waterfall and Agile



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SCHEDULE MANAGEMENT

In Software Projects

Session Outline

- What will you learn in this session?
- Introduction to software projects
- The importance of Project Schedule
- ...
- ...
- ...
- Software to assist in Project Time Management & Schedule Management



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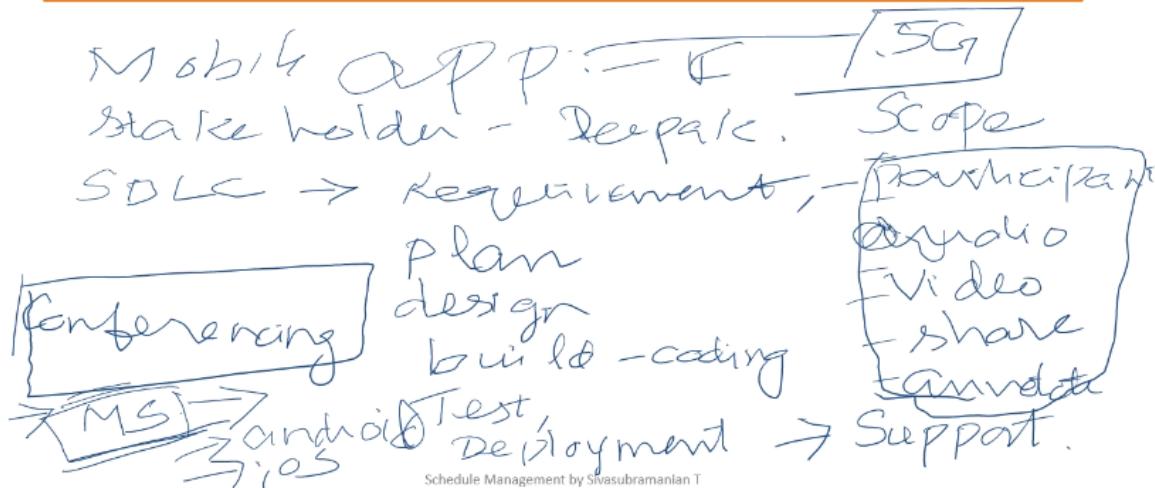
Expected Learning Outcomes

- Understand significance of project schedules
- Tools & techniques for activity sequencing
- Understand Critical Path, Critical Tasks, Milestones, Lead and Lag times
- Dependencies on project resource availability
- Overview of CPM and PERT
- Project Scheduling Software in the market
- Scheduling best practices



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Conceptualize a Software Project



Project Time Management Process

- WBS
 - Work Break-down Structure *outcome* → *tangible* *Intangible*
 - Deliverable oriented hierarchical decomposition of project work
- Identifying the specific activities (aka tasks)
 - Duration, resources, cost, priority, pre-requisites / dependencies, sub-tasks
- Estimating
 - Effort, resources, duration and cost
- Developing schedule
 - Analyse dependencies, constraints, risks etc.
- Controlling schedule

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Work Break-down Structures (WBS)

- To define the project's scope of work in terms of deliverables and to further decompose these deliverables into components. Depending upon the decomposition method used, the WBS can also define the project's life cycle as well as the deliverables appropriate to the project, program, or portfolio. This project scope decomposition balances management's need for control with representation of an appropriate level of detail in the WBS.
- To provide the project management team with a framework on which to base project status and progress reports.
- To facilitate communication between the project manager and stakeholders throughout the life of the project. The WBS can be used to communicate information regarding the project scope. In combination with additional data, the WBS is the framework for communicating information that includes, but is not limited to, schedule, risk, performance, dependencies, and budget.
- As a key input to other project management processes and deliverables.

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WBS Dictionary

1. Identify Item
2. Describe It
3. Note Assumptions and Constraints
4. Assign Owner
5. Set Milestone
6. Make Schedule
7. List Resources
8. Calculate Cost
9. Define Quality
10. Know Acceptance Criteria
11. Collect Technical References
12. Settle Agreements



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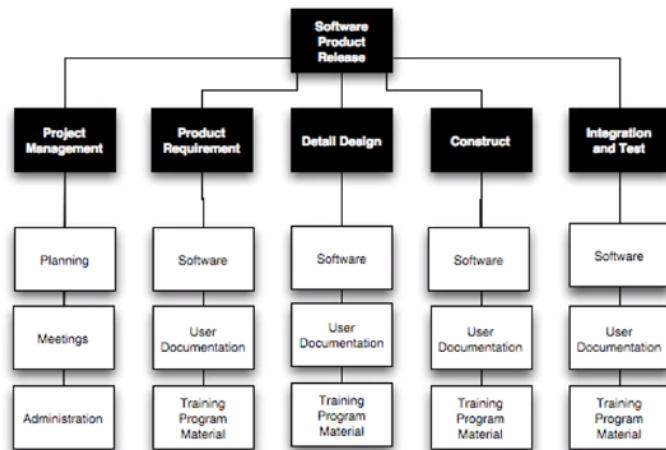
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Sample WBS For Software Project - 1

- 1 WBS for Software Implementation Project
 - 1.1 Project Management
 - 1.2 Product Requirements
 - 1.2.1 Software Requirements
 - 1.2.1.1 Draft Software Requirements
 - 1.2.1.2 Final Software Requirements
 - 1.2.1.3 Software Requirements Approval
 - 1.2.2 User Documentation
 - 1.2.2.1 Draft User Documentation
 - 1.2.2.2 Final User Documentation
 - 1.2.2.3 User Documentation Approval
 - 1.2.3 Training Program Materials
 - 1.2.3.1 Initial Training Requirements
 - 1.2.3.2 Initial Training Materials
 - 1.2.3.3 Trial Course Delivery
 - 1.2.4 Hardware
 - 1.2.4.1 Draft Hardware Requirements
 - 1.2.4.2 Final Hardware Requirements
 - 1.2.4.3 Hardware Requirements Approval
 - 1.2.5 Implementation & Future Support
 - 1.3 Detail Software Design
 - 1.3.1 Initial Software Design
 - 1.3.2 Final Software Design
 - 1.3.3 Software Design Approval
 - 1.4 System Construction
 - 1.4.1 Configured Software
 - 1.4.2 Customized User Documentation
 - 1.4.3 Customized Training Program Materials
 - 1.4.4 Installed Hardware
 - 1.4.5 Implementation & Future Support
 - 1.5 Test
 - 1.5.1 System Test Plan
 - 1.5.2 System Test Cases
 - 1.5.3 System Test Results
 - 1.5.4 Acceptance Test Plan
 - 1.5.5 Acceptance Test Cases
 - 1.5.6 Acceptance Test Results
 - 1.5.7 Approved User Documentation
 - 1.6 Go Live
 - 1.7 Support
 - 1.7.1 Training
 - 1.7.2 End User Support
 - 1.7.3 Product Support

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Sample WBS For Software Project - 2



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Identifying Activities

- Project schedules grow out of the basic documents that initiate a project
 - Project charter includes start and end dates and budget information
 - Scope statement and WBS help define what will be done
- Activity definition involves developing a more detailed WBS and supporting explanations to understand all the work to be done so you can develop realistic cost and duration estimates
- Inputs
 - WBS
 - Project Scope Statement
 - Enterprise environmental factors

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Identifying Activities (...contd.)

- Tools & Techniques
 - Decomposition
 - Rolling Wave Planning
 - Expert Judgement
 - Use Cases



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Identifying Activities (...contd.)

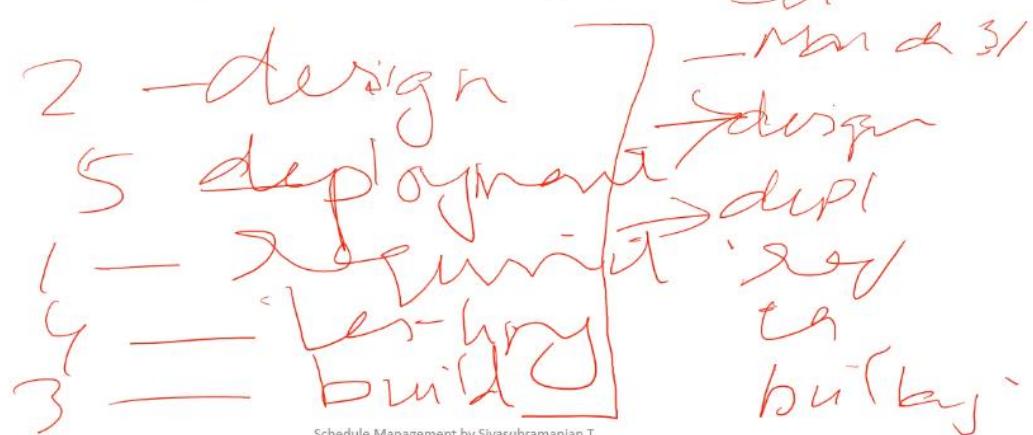
Outputs

- Activity List: A tabulation of activities to be included on a project schedule that includes:
 - The activity name
 - An activity identifier or number
 - A brief description of the activity
- Activity attributes provide more information such as predecessors, successors, logical relationships, leads and lags, resource requirements, constraints, imposed dates, and assumptions related to the activity
- Milestone List:
 - A **milestone** is a significant event that normally has no duration
 - It often takes several activities and a lot of work to complete a milestone
 - They're useful tools for setting schedule goals and monitoring progress
 - Examples include obtaining customer sign-off on key documents or completion of specific products

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Sequencing Activities

- Involves reviewing activities and determining dependencies



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Sequencing Activities

- Involves reviewing activities and determining dependencies
- A dependency or relationship is the sequencing of project activities or tasks
- You must determine dependencies in order to use critical path analysis
- Types of dependencies
 - Mandatory dependencies: inherent in the nature of the work being performed on a project, sometimes referred to as hard logic
 - Discretionary dependencies: defined by the project team; sometimes referred to as soft logic and should be used with care since they may limit later scheduling options
 - External dependencies: involve relationships between project and nonproject activities

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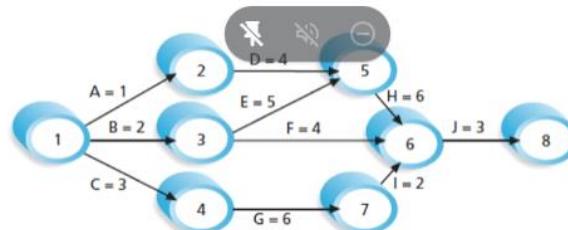
Sequencing Activities (...Contd.)

- Input
 - Activity list
 - Milestones list
 - Project scope statement
 - Activity attributes
 - Approved change requests
- Tools & Techniques
 - Precedence Diagramming Method (PDM)
 - Arrow Diagramming Method (ADM)
 - Schedule Network templates
 - Dependency determination applying leads and lags

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Sequencing Technique – Network Diagrams

- A project network diagram is a schematic display of the logical relationships among, or sequencing of, project activities



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Sequencing Activities (...Contd.)

- Outputs
 - Project schedule network diagrams
 - Activity list updates
 - Activity attribute updates
 - Requested changes

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Sequencing Technique – Network Diagrams

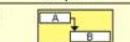
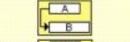
- Arrow Diagramming Method (ADM)
 - Also called activity-on-arrow (AOA) project network diagrams
 - Activities are represented by arrows
 - Nodes or circles are the starting and ending points of activities
 - Can only show finish-to-start dependencies
- Process
 - Find all of the activities that start at node 1. Draw their finish nodes and draw arrows between node 1 and those finish nodes. Put the activity letter or name and duration estimate on the associated arrow
 - Continuing drawing the network diagram, working from left to right. Look for bursts and merges.
 - Bursts occur when a single node is followed by two or more activities.
 - A merge occurs when two or more nodes precede a single node
 - Continue drawing the project network diagram until all activities are included on the diagram that have dependencies
 - As a rule of thumb, all arrowheads should face toward the right, and no arrows should cross on an AOA network diagram

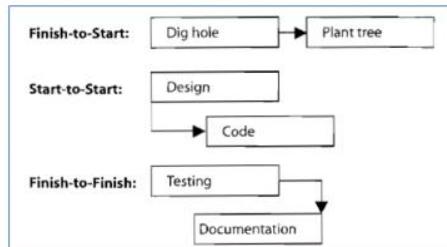
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Sequencing Technique – Network Diagrams

Precedence Diagramming Method (PDM)

- Activities are represented by boxes
- Arrows show relationships between activities
- More popular than ADM method and used by project management software
- Better at showing different types of dependencies
- LAG – Amount of wait time before successor activity can be started
- LEAD – Amount of advance notice required for successor activity to start
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Task dependency	Example	Description
Finish-to-start (FS)		Task (B) cannot start until task (A) finishes.
Start-to-start (SS)		Task (B) cannot start until task (A) starts.
Finish-to-finish (FF)		Task (B) cannot finish until task (A) finishes.
Start-to-finish (SF)		Task (B) cannot finish until task (A) starts.



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RSchedule Management

- Schedule Management for Software Development Project
 - Develop software for a Chef to sell his food preparations
 - Web App to run in computer as well as in smart phones
 - Objective: 1 work day = 8 work hours (or 7 work hours)
1 work week = 5 work days (or 5.5 or 6 work days)
- Time units: 1 work month = 22, 21 or 20 work days
1 person-day = 1 person x 1 day
- Effort units: 1 person-month = 1 person x 1 month
1 person-year ~ 2000 person-hours

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- Time units: Year
• Effort units: Person-week
• Network diagrams

Precedence Diagramming Method (PDM)
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- Task dependencies

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Start-To-Finish (SF)
Start-To-Start (SS)
Finish-To-Finish (FF)

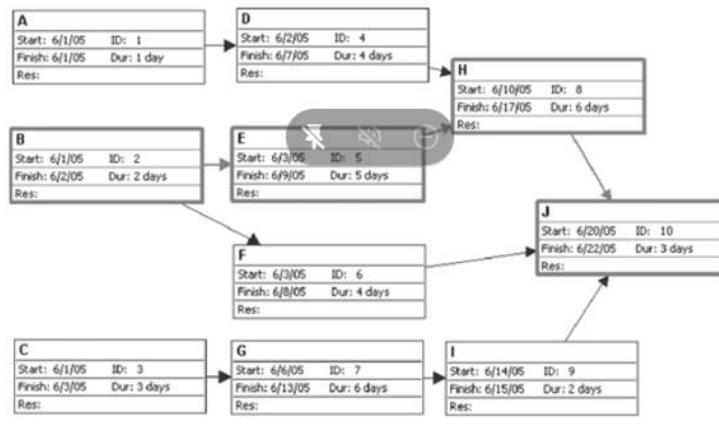
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- Lead, Lag

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Sequencing Technique – PDM Network Diagrams



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Task Estimations – Effort, Resource & Duration

- After defining activities and determining their sequence, the next step in time management is effort, resource and duration estimation
- Effort: how much work will the activity need to be completed
- Resource includes?
 - Man-power, Equipment, Software, Network, Money, Work Space????
 - Ability to carry out projects depend on the availability of resources
 - Analyze resource implication - How requirements can be met and changes needed
 - Use resources efficiently
 - Use network to give information about time, resources and cost
- Duration includes the actual amount of time worked on an activity plus elapsed time
- Effort is the number of workdays or work hours required to complete a task. Effort does not equal duration
- People doing the work should help create estimates, and an expert should review them

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Task Estimations – Duration

- One-Time Estimate
 - One estimate per activity, based on?
 - Expert opinion
 - Historical information
 - Guess work
- Analogous estimating
- Parametric estimating
- Three-Point Estimates

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Work & Duration

- When working with planning tools, you change one variable at a time.
- Standard characterisation:
 - Fixed Duration. A task in which the duration is a fixed value and any changes to the work or the assigned resources, don't affect the tasks duration. (Duration is a constant).
 - Fixed Work. A task in which the amount of work is a fixed value and any changes to the tasks duration or the number of assigned resources do not affect the tasks work. (Duration $\propto 1/\text{Units}$).
 - Fixed Unit. A task in which the assigned resources is a fixed value and any changes to the amount of work or the tasks duration do not affect the tasks units. (Work $\propto \text{Duration}$).

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Schedule Development

- Schedule development uses results of the other time management processes to determine the start and end date of the project and its activities
- Ultimate goal is to create a realistic project schedule that provides a basis for monitoring project progress for the time dimension of the project
- Important tools and techniques include Gantt charts, PERT analysis, critical path analysis, and critical chain scheduling

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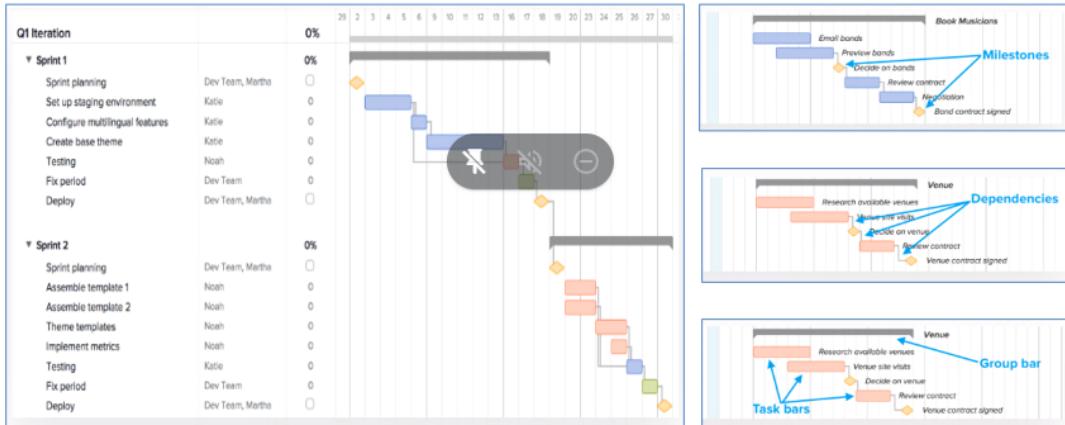
Gantt Charts

- Gantt charts provide a standard format for displaying project schedule information by listing project activities and their corresponding start and finish dates in a calendar format
- Symbols include:
 - A diamond: milestones or significant events on a project with zero duration
 - Thick bars: summary tasks
 - Lighter horizontal bars: tasks
 - Arrows: dependencies between tasks
- Tools: MS Project, ProjectLibre, Ganttpro, Workzone, Excel, TeamGantt, Teamwork etc.

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Sample Gantt Chart



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Milestones

- Milestones are significant events on a project that normally have zero duration
- Many people like to focus on meeting milestones, especially for large projects
- Milestones emphasize important events or accomplishments on projects
- You can follow the SMART criteria in developing milestones that are:
 - Specific
 - Measurable
 - Assignable
 - Realistic
 - Time-framed

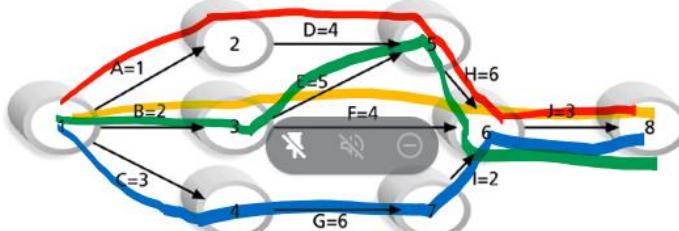
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Critical Path Method (CPM)

- CPM is a network diagramming technique used to predict total project duration
- A critical path for a project is the series of activities that determines the earliest time by which the project can be completed
- The critical path is the longest path through the network diagram and has the least amount of slack or float (Zero or negative)  
- How to calculate the Critical Path:
 - First develop a good network diagram
 - Add the duration estimates for all activities on each path through the network diagram
 - The longest path is the critical path
 - If one or more of the activities on the critical path takes longer than planned, the whole project schedule will slip unless the project manager takes corrective action

Determining the Critical Path



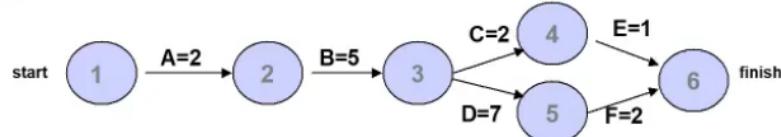
Note: Assume all durations are in days.

Path 1:	A-D-H-J	Length = 1+4+6+3 = 14 days
Path 2:	B-E-H-J	Length = 2+5+6+3 = 16 days
Path 3:	B-F-J	Length = 2+4+3 = 9 days
Path 4:	C-G-I-J	Length = 3+6+2+3 = 14 days

Since the critical path is the longest path through the network diagram, Path 2, B-E-H-J, is the critical path.

Simple Exercise of Determining the Critical Path

- Consider the following project network diagram. Assume all times are in days.



- How many paths are on this network diagram?
- How long is each path?
- Which is the critical path?
- What is the shortest amount of time needed to complete this project?

More on the Critical Path

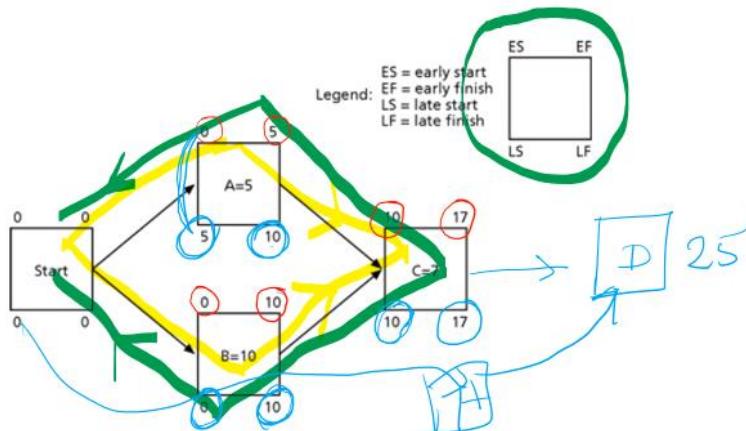
- If one or more activities on the critical path takes longer than planned, the whole project schedule will slip *unless* corrective action is taken
- Misconceptions:
 - The critical path is not the one with all the important activities; it only accounts for time.
 - There can be more than one critical path if the lengths of two or more paths are the same
- The critical path can change as the project progresses
- Near-Critical Path: Path close in duration to critical path



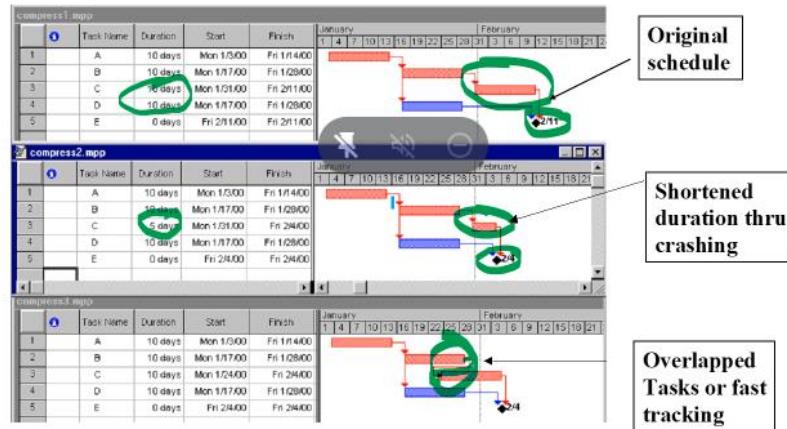
Using Critical Path Analysis to Make Schedule Trade-offs

- Knowing the critical path helps you make schedule trade-offs
- *Free slack or free float* is the amount of time an activity can be delayed without delaying the early start of any immediately following activities
- *Total slack or total float* is the amount of time an activity may be delayed from its early start without delaying the planned project finish date
- A *forward pass* through the network diagram determines the early start and finish dates
- A *backward pass* determines the late start and finish dates

Calculating Early and Late Start and Finish Dates



Crashing and Fast Tracking



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Techniques for Shortening a Project Schedule

- Shorten durations of critical tasks by adding more resources or changing their scope
- *Crashing* tasks by obtaining the greatest amount of schedule compression for the least incremental cost
- *Fast tracking* tasks by doing them in parallel or overlapping them

Crashing and Fast Tracking (..contd.)

Option	General Impacts to the Project
Fast track	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adds risk• May add management time for the project manager
Crash	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Almost always adds cost• May add management time for the project manager
Reduce scope	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Could save cost and time• May negatively impact customer satisfaction
Cut quality	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Could save cost and resources• May increase risk• Requires good metrics

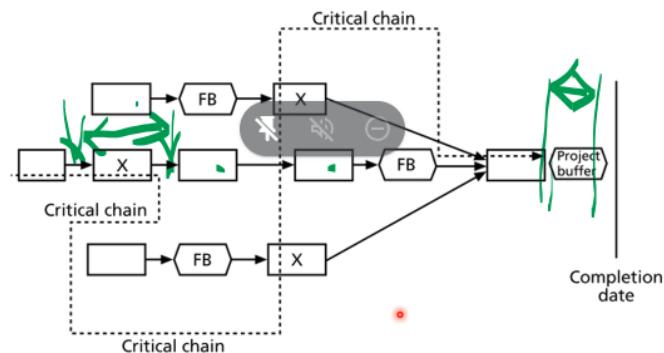
Critical Chain Scheduling

- Technique that addresses the challenge of meeting or beating project finish dates and an application of the Theory of Constraints (TOC)
- Developed by Eliyahu Goldratt in his books *The Goal* and *Critical Chain*
- Critical chain scheduling is a method of scheduling that takes limited resources into account when creating a project schedule and includes buffers to protect the project completion date
- Critical chain scheduling assumes resources do not multitask because it often delays task completions and increases total durations

Buffers and Critical Chain

- A buffer is additional time to complete a task
- **Murphy's Law** states that if something can go wrong, it will, and **Parkinson's Law** states that work expands to fill the time allowed. In traditional estimates, people often add a buffer and use it if it's needed or not
- Critical chain schedule removes buffers from individual tasks and instead creates
 - A project buffer, which is additional time added before the project's due date
 - Feeding buffers, which are additional time added before tasks on the critical path

Example of Critical Chain Scheduling



Program Evaluation and Review Technique (PERT)

- PERT is a network analysis technique used to estimate project duration when there is a high degree of uncertainty about the individual activity duration estimates
- PERT uses probabilistic time estimates based on using optimistic, most likely, and pessimistic estimates of activity durations

PERT Formula and Example

- PERT weighted average formula:
$$\frac{\text{optimistic time} + 4 \times \text{most likely time} + \text{pessimistic time}}{6}$$

- Example:

PERT weighted average =

$$\frac{8 \text{ workdays} + 4 \times 10 \text{ workdays} + 24 \text{ workdays}}{6} = 12 \text{ days}$$

where 8 = optimistic time, 10 = most likely time, and 24 = pessimistic time

CPM Vs PERT

	CPM	PERT
1	Uses network, calculate float or slack, identify critical path and activities, guides to monitor and controlling project	Same as CPM
2	Uses one value of activity time	Requires 3 estimates of activity time Calculates mean and variance of time
3	Used where times can be estimated with confidence, familiar activities	Used where times cannot be estimated with confidence. Unfamiliar or new activities
4	Minimizing cost is more important	Meeting time target or estimating percent completion is more important
5	Example: construction projects, building one off machines, ships, etc	Example: Involving new activities or products, research and development etc

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Benefits Of PERT/CPM

- Consistent framework for planning, scheduling, monitoring, and controlling project.
- Shows interdependence of all tasks, work packages, and work units.
- Helps proper communications between departments and functions.
- Determines expected project completion date.
- Identifies so-called critical activities, which can delay the project completion time.
- Identified activities with slacks that can be delayed for specified periods without penalty, or from which resources may be temporarily borrowed
- Determines the dates on which tasks may be started or must be started if the project is to stay in schedule.
- Shows which tasks must be coordinated to avoid resource or timing conflicts.
- Shows which tasks may run in parallel to meet project completion date

Controlling Changes to the Project Schedule

- Perform reality checks on schedules
- Allow for contingencies
- Don't plan for everyone to work at 100% capacity all the time
- Hold progress meetings with stakeholders and be clear and honest in communicating schedule issues
- Estimating the difficulty of problems and hence the cost of developing a solution is hard.
- Productivity is not proportional to the number of people working on a task.
- Adding people to a late project makes it later because of communication overheads.
- The unexpected always happens. Always allow contingency in planning.

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Schedule Inputs

- Release and Iteration plans
- Information radiators
- Current productivity
- Historical productivity
- On-line collaboration tools

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Software Projects

- Application Software
- System Software
- Software Intensive Systems
- In-house Projects
- Out-sourced Projects
- Captive Team
- Distributed Virtual Team

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Software Projects

- Why is software project disaster so common?
 - Estimation techniques are poor & assume things will go well (an ‘unvoiced’ assumption)
 - Estimation techniques fallaciously confuse effort with progress, hiding the assumption that men and months are interchangeable
 - “... software managers often lack the courteous stubbornness of Antoine's chef.”
 - Schedule progress is poorly monitored
 - When schedule slippage is recognized, the natural response is to add manpower

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Software Projects

- **Optimism**
 - "All programmers are optimists"
 - 1st false assumption: "all will go well" or "each task takes only as long as it 'ought' to take"
 - The Fix: Consider the larger probabilities
- **Cost (overhead) of communication (and training)**
 - Typical formula: $n(n-1)/2$
 - How long does a 12 month project take?
 - 1 person: 12 month
 - 2 persons = 7 months (1 man-months extra)
 - 3 persons = 5 months (1 man-months extra)
 - Fix: don't assume adding people will solve the problem

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Software Projects

- **Sequential nature of the process**
 - "The bearing of a child takes nine months, no matter how many women are assigned"
- **What is the most mis-scheduled part of process?**
 - Testing (the most linear process)
- **Why is this particularly bad?**
 - Occurs late in process and w/o warning
 - Higher costs: primary and secondary
- **Fix: Allocate more test time**
 - Understand task dependencies

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Software Projects

- Q: "How does a project get to be a year late"?
 - A: "One day at a time"
- Studies
 - Each task: twice as long as estimated
 - Only 50% of work week was programming
- Fixes
 - No "fuzzy" milestones (get the "true" status) •
 - Reduce the role of conflict
 - Identify the "true status"

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Software Projects

- The seeds of major software disasters are usually sown in the first three months of commencing the software project. Hasty scheduling, irrational commitments, unprofessional estimating techniques, and carelessness of the project management function are the factors that tend to introduce terminal problems. Once a project blindly lurches forward toward an impossible delivery date, the rest of the disaster will occur almost inevitably.

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Software Projects

- Half finish late and over budget
- Nearly a third are abandoned before completion
 - The Standish Group, in Infoworld
- Get & keep users involved & informed
- Watch for scope creep / feature creep

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What is a Risk?

A dictionary definition of risk is
'adverse consequences of future events'

Or
"a future trouble"

PRINCE2 standard defines risk as
'an uncertain event or set of events that, should it occur, will have an effect
on the achievement of objectives'

PMI standard defines risk as
'an uncertain event or condition that, if it occurs, has a positive or a
negative effect on a project's objectives'

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Software Risk Samples

Risk Description	Probability of Occurrence	Loss Size (Days)	Risk Exposure (Days)
Insufficient QA time to validate on all browsers and OS types.	45%	6	2.7
Lack of verifiable sample data to validate end product.	35%	18	6.3
Inadequate staff available until very late in cycle.	25%	7	1.8
More effort on the user guide may be necessary.	25%	18	4.5
Backup and restore requires 3rd-party solutions (not evaluated yet).	20%	12	2.4
Insufficient time for external stakeholders to provide feedback	10%	5	0.5
			Total Risk Exposure
			18.2



What is Risk Management?

- The process involved with identifying, analyzing, and responding to risk. It includes maximizing the results of positive risks and minimizing the consequences of negative events
- Why do we need to manage risks?
 - Project problems can be reduced as much as 90% by using risk analysis
 - **Positives:**
 - More info available during planning
 - Improved probability of success/optimum project
 - **Negatives:**
 - Belief that all risks are accounted for
 - Project cut due to risk level

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Risk Management (contd.)

- Project risk management is the art and science of identifying, analyzing, and responding to risk throughout the life of a project
- Risk can help improve project success by helping select good projects, determining project scope, and developing realistic estimates
- Negative risk involves understanding potential problems that might occur in the project and how they might impede project success, also called threats
- Positive risks are risks that result in good things happening; also called opportunities
- The goal of project risk management is to minimize potential negative risks while maximizing potential positive risks
- Risks are present in the projects primarily due to uncertainty in the project
- Known Risks are those that are identified and analyzed and can be planned for those
- Unknown risks are those risk which cannot be managed proactively. Project team allocate contingency to tackle these kind of risks

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Terms and definitions - a recap

- Environmental factors
 - Environment in which the project is being executed and it includes organizational environment, technological environment, political environment etc.
- Organizational assets
 - People, processes and tools, knowledge base, software, partnerships, etc.
- Project Management Plan
 - Plan detailing the execution plan in terms of project organization, stakeholders, methodology etc.
- Project scope document
 - Requirement specification including functional and non-functional requirements and boundaries of the project scope

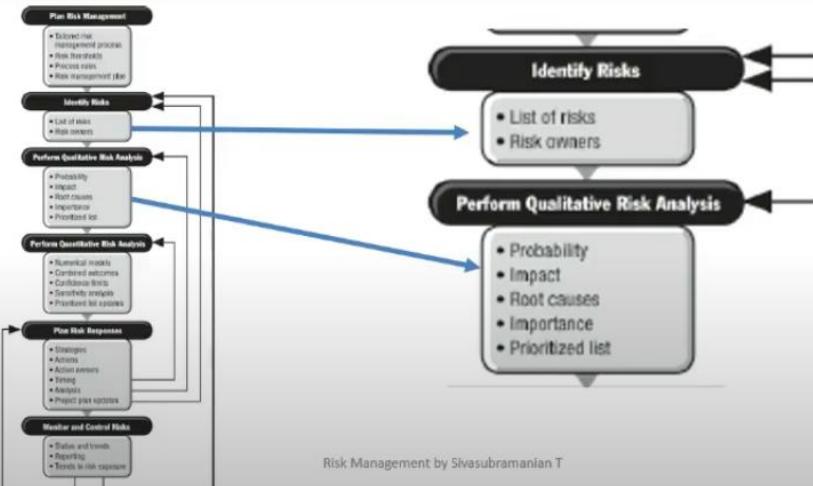
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PMI's Risk Management Process

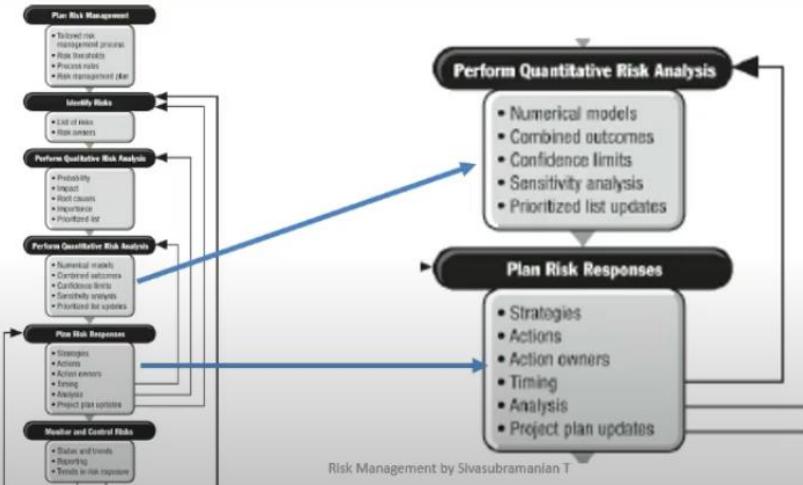


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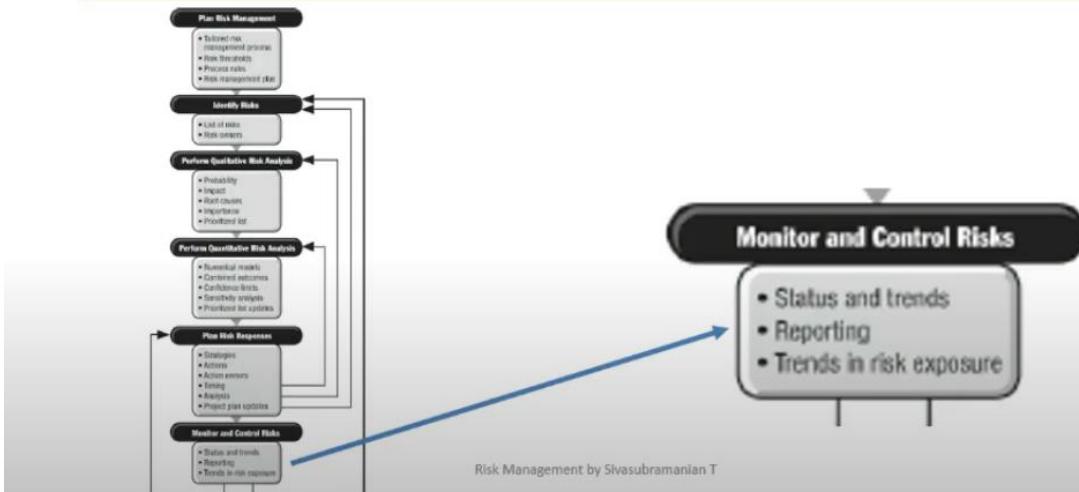
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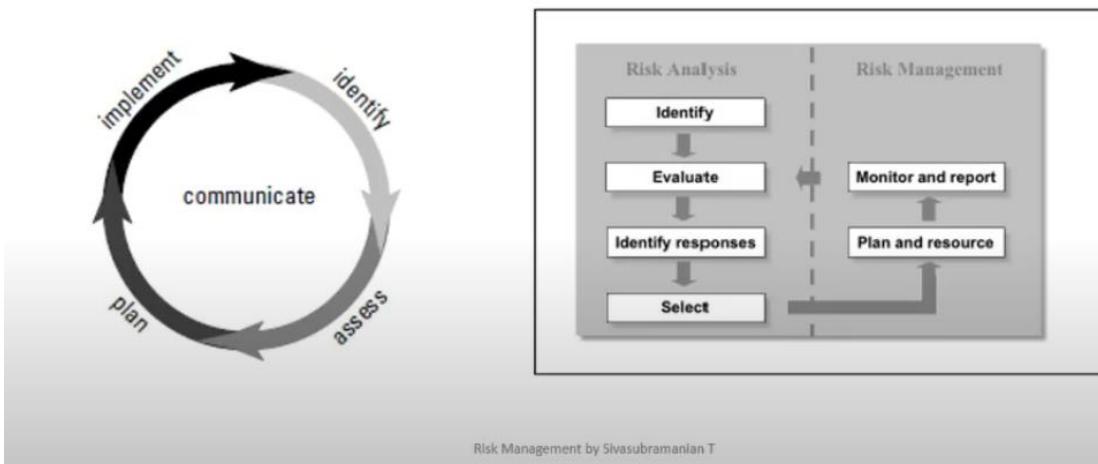
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PRINCE2 Risk Cycle



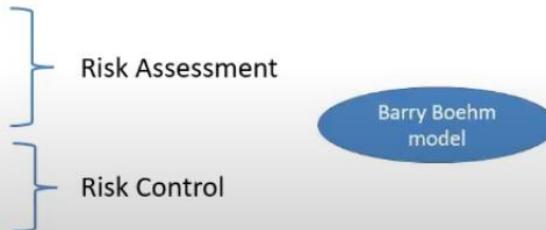
Barry Boehm's Risk Management Process



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Risk Management Approach / Strategy

- Strategy is going to vary from project to project
 - Size: Small Vs Big
 - Business criticality: Low Vs High
 - Low risk Vs High-risk
- Approach
 - Risk Management Planning
 - Risk Identification
 - Qualitative Risk Analysis
 - Quantitative Risk Analysis
 - Risk Response Planning
 - Risk Monitoring
 - Risk Control



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Risk Management Planning

- This process will enhance the possibility of success of the other risk management processes
- Deciding how to approach, plan, and execute the risk management activities in the project
- The project team should review project documents and understand the organization's and the sponsor's approaches to risk
- The level of detail will vary with the needs of the project
- Ensures to provide sufficient resources and time for risk management activities
- The main output of risk management planning is a risk management plan—a plan that documents the approach/strategy/procedures for managing risk throughout a project

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Risk Management Planning - Inputs, Tools & Output

- Inputs:
 - Enterprise Environment Factors
 - Organizational Process Assets
 - Project Scope Statement
 - Project Management Plan
- Tools & Techniques:
 - Planning meetings and analysis

Output: Risk Management Plan

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Risk Management Plan - Typical Contents

- Risk Management Plan describes how risk management will be structured and performed on the project. It is a subset of the project management plan. It includes :
 - Methodology
 - Roles and responsibilities
 - Tools & Techniques
 - Scale, budget and schedule
 - Timing
 - Risk categories (RBS - Risk Breakdown Structures)
 - Risk probability and impact
 - Risk tolerance & response
 - Risk documentation – recording and reporting (Risk Register)

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Broad Risk Categories

- External Vs Internal
- Project Vs Product Vs Business
- Categories
 - Strategic
 - Market risk
 - Financial risk
 - Technology risk
 - People risk
 - Structure/process risk
 - Cultural
 - Sponsor-Caused risk
 - Customer or Customer's customer
 - Project Management
 - Economic
 - Legal and Regulatory
 - Organizational
 - Political
 - Environmental
 - Infrastructure

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Risk Breakdown Structure (RBS)



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Sources of Risks in Software Projects

- Project size and complexity
 - Effort hours
 - Calendar time
 - Estimated budget
 - Team size (number of resources)
 - Number of sites
- Requirements
 - Ambiguous requirements
 - No clear vision and objectives
 - Volatile requirements
 - Unrealistic or aggressive performance standards
 - Complex requirements
 - No Scope control
- Stakeholder involvement
 - All key stakeholders not identified
 - Missing —buy-in from a key stakeholder
 - Stakeholder not completely identified
 - Key stakeholders not fully engaged
 - Users resistance to change
 - Conflicts between users
- Funding
 - Reduction in available capital
 - Cash flow issues
 - Inflation or exchange rate factors
- Change Impact
 - Replacement or new system
 - Impact on business policies
 - Impact on business processes
- Organization
 - Changes to project objectives
 - Lack of priorities, processes
 - Lack of project management —buy-in and support
- Sponsorship
 - Lack of strong executive commitment
 - Lack of clear ownership
 - Loss of political support

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Sources of Risks in Software Projects (contd.)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Schedule<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Improper planning• Estimate assumptions are not holding true• Schedule contingency is not adequate• In-sufficient milestone check-points• Technology<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Missing technical data• Use of unproven technology• Use of non-standard technology• High level of technical complexity• External interfaces | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Vendors and Suppliers<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Contract types• Risk-reward elements• Procurement process• External factors<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Changes in legal and regulatory environment• Approvals from governmental agencies, Political changes• COTS• Facilities<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adequate for team productivity requirements• Adequate for project security requirements | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Team<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Attrition• Competence levels of staff• Full-time or part-time roles• Virtual team• Staff commitments• Team members lack of specialized skill required by the project• Project Management<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lack of experience• Poor leadership• Poor communications• Tracking but no control |
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Typical Risk Factors & Mitigation Options

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|---|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Unrealistic schedule and budget<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Business-case analysis• Incremental development• Reuse of software• Modification of schedule and budget• Requirements and developed functions do not match<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Business-case analysis• Prototyping• Application description in early phases• Standard software, external components<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Benchmarking• Prototyping• Review of reference installations• Compatibility analysis• Review of suppliers | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Inadequate architecture, performance, quality<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Simulation• Benchmarking• Modeling• Prototyping• Human error on part of staff<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Employ the best people• Rewards• Training• Peer reviews• Constant alteration of requirements<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Increased threshold for changes• Incremental development• Change management process• Change control board |
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Risk Identification

- Risk identification is the process of determining which risks might affect the project and documenting their characteristics
- An iterative process because new risk may become known as project progresses through its life cycle.
- This process usually leads to the Qualitative Risk Analysis, alternatively it can lead directly to the Quantitative Risk Analysis process.

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Risk Identification - Inputs, Tools & Output

- Inputs:
 - Enterprise Environment Factors
 - Organizational Process Assets
 - Project Scope Statement
 - Project Management Plan
 - Risk Management Plan
- Tools & Techniques:
 - Documentation Reviews
 - Information gathering techniques
 - Checklist analysis
 - Assumption analysis
 - Diagramming techniques

Output: Risk Register

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Information Gathering Techniques

- Brainstorming
- The Delphi Technique
- Interviewing
- Root cause Identification
- SWOT analysis

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Brainstorming and Delphi Techniques

- Brainstorming
 - A technique by which a group attempts to generate ideas or find a solution for a specific problem by amassing ideas spontaneously and without judgment
 - Helpful in obtaining comprehensive list of project risks
 - An experienced facilitator should run the brainstorming session
 - RBS can be used as framework.
- The Delphi Technique
 - Used to derive a consensus among a panel of experts about future developments
 - A facilitator uses a questionnaire to collect ideas about the important project risks
 - Provides independent and anonymous input regarding future events
 - Uses repeated rounds of questioning and written responses and avoids the biasing effects

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Interviewing, RCA and SWOT Analysis

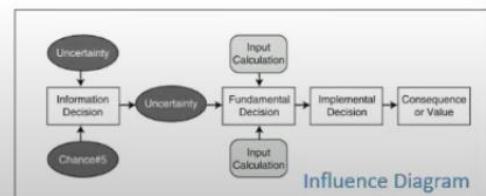
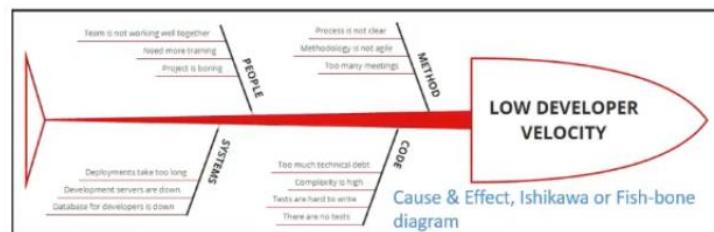
- Interviewing
 - It is a fact-finding technique for collecting information in face-to-face, phone, e-mail, or instant-messaging discussions
 - Interviewing people with similar project experience such as SME, project team , stakeholders, is an important tool for identifying potential risks
 - Root Cause Analysis helps in identifying the root cause of the risks so that effective risk responses can be developed
 - SWOT analysis (strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats) can also be used during risk identification

SWOT ANALYSIS



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Diagramming Techniques



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Risk Register

- A risk register is:
 - A document that contains the results of various risk management processes and that is often displayed in a table or spreadsheet format
 - A tool for documenting potential risk events and related information
- Risk events refer to specific, uncertain events that may occur to the detriment or enhancement of the project

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Risk Register - Sample

1.0 Project Lifetime Risks															
Risk ID	Entry No	Risk Description		Date Received	Impact	Probability	Project Severity	Mitigation measures	Ownership	Adjusted Impact	Adjusted Probability	Adjusted Severity	Status	Last Review Date	User Client Name
1.1.1	Pending														
1.1.2	Low	Pending authority to complete property acquisitions		July'05	H	H	Red	Mitigates funding bid currently being pursued with HCA	None	H	M	Red	Ongoing	June '06	
1.1.3	Low	Major Offshore Business Case to not fundable completely by DfT			H	M	Yellow	Established scope scheme and DfT to execute funding framework - 1st quarter 2006	LCC	H	M	Yellow	Open	June '06	
1.1.4	Medium	Ability to spend within required timescales.		July'05	H	L	Yellow	Working to get realistic timelines for delivery conditions and construction within the normal programme to complete in time	Project Team	M	L	Green	Open	June '06	
1.1.5	Medium	Reduction in overall CAFP funding of £2.1M will result in shortfall		01-Nov-2005	H	H	Red	Not currently being delivered and DCWWR have confirmed £2.1M ringfenced to Edge	LCC	H	M	Red	Open	June '06	
1.1.6	Delayed/Ce Statutory Undertakers Estimates		Delays in procurement and may result in increased costs		M	H	Yellow	Contingency allowed for additional scheme design and cost. Work closely with Stakeholders to ensure a economical design and seek to secure revised LIA documents	MoS/EdLCC	M	M	Yellow	Open	June '06	
1.1.7	Increased Construction Costs following delivery of ED process and Fixed Price				M	M	Yellow	For within overall scheme budget but ED process will aim to achieve the best value for money. Opportunity for scope reduction or Value Engineering	MoS/EdLCC	M	L	Green	Open	June '06	
1.1.8	No valid community and local business consultation may prevent additional items onto the Promises Register				M	M	Red	Community and Local Business Consultation every 6 months. Promises Register, with immediate validation provided	LCC, VSN	M	M	Red	Open	June '06	
1.1.9	No other partners and Contractor to addressees requirements and possibility of losing developer agreements				01-Nov-2005	H	Red	Work to ensure that all necessary requirements and capabilities to new sufficient to gain developer agreements	LCC (RMMS)	M	M	Yellow	Open	June '06	

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Software Project Risk Register - Sample

Event	Type of Risk	Probability	Actions	Possible Impact
Payroll system power user is approaching retirement and could leave during the project	People	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Document "as-is" and "to-be" processes■ Create desk guides■ Do job shadowing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Retirement will result in lack of technical expertise in the payroll system■ Could cause future payroll run issues
Budget cuts could threaten project funding	Planning	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Provide monthly progress updates for council	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ End of project■ Cut corners in implementation■ Lack of maintenance and support
New interface might be needed for homegrown automated time entry system	Technology	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Engage vendor early■ Identify necessary interfaces in project statement of work	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Interface troubles will affect launch■ User data entry requirements might change as result of changing interfaces

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Qualitative Risk Analysis



- Assess the likelihood and impact of identified risks to determine their magnitude and priority
- Qualitative analysis can also identify risks that should be evaluated on a quantitative basis
- It includes methods for prioritizing the identified risks for further action
- A watch list (non-critical or non-top risks) is a list of risks that are low priority, but are still identified as potential risks. They should be regularly monitored to check if probability and impact rating have changed

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Qualitative Risk Analysis - Inputs, Tools & Output

- Inputs
 - Organizational Process Assets
 - Project Scope Statement
 - Risk management plan
 - Risk Register
- Tools & Techniques
 - Risk probability and impact assessment
 - Probability and impact matrix
 - Risk data quality assessment
 - Risk categorization
 - Risk urgency assessment

Output: Risk Register (Updates)

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Probability - Impact Matrix

- A probability/impact matrix or chart lists the relative probability of a risk occurring on one side of a matrix or axis on a chart and the relative impact of the risk occurring on the other
- List the risks and then label each one as high, medium, or low in terms of its probability of occurrence and its impact if it did occur
- Can also calculate risk factors
- Numbers that represent the overall risk of specific events based on their probability of occurring and the consequences to the project if they do occur

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Probability - Impact Matrix: Sample

Probability	Threats						Opportunities					Probability
	VHI	L	M	M	H	H	H	H	M	M	L	
HI	L	L	M	H	H	H	H	M	L	L	HI	
MOD	L	L	M	H	H	H	H	M	L	L	MOD	
LOW	L	L	L	M	H	H	M	L	L	L	LOW	
VLOW	L	L	L	L	M	M	L	L	L	L	VLOW	
	VLOW	LOW	MOD	HI	VHI	VHI	HI	MOD	LOW	VLOW		
	Impact (Threats)					Impact (Opportunities)						

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Probability - Impact : Definitions Sample

Probability Scale

Likelihood Class	Likelihood of Occurrence (events/year)
Very Low (VLOW)	<0.01% chance of occurrence
Low (LOW)	0.01 - 0.1% chance of occurrence
Moderate (MOD)	0.1 - 1% chance of occurrence
High (HI)	1 - 10% chance of occurrence
Very High (VHI)	>10% chance of occurrence

Impact Scale

Consequence	Quality
Very High (VHI)	Fatal error / System crash
High (HI)	Not all critical features are functional
Moderate (MOD)	All features are working but performance is slow
Low (LOW)	Some of the non-critical features are not working
Very Low (VLOW)	Usability errors such as tabs not in order, field layout not proper etc.

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Risk Register Update

- Add
 - Probability and Impact Matrix results
 - Perform quality check on results
 - Categorize the risks to make them easier to handle
 - Perform urgency assessment to determine which risk need immediate attention



Quantitative Risk Analysis

- Quantitative Risk Analysis is performed on risk that have been prioritized by the Qualitative Risk Analysis process as potentially and substantially impacting the project's competing demands.
- Numerical Analysis of the probability and impact of high risk identified in Qualitative Risk Analysis
- Often follows qualitative risk analysis, but both can be done together or sometimes can be performed directly after risk identification
- Large, complex projects involving leading edge technologies often require extensive quantitative risk analysis
- Should be repeated after Risk Response Planning as well as part of risk Monitoring and control

Quantitative Risk Analysis -Inputs, Tools & Output

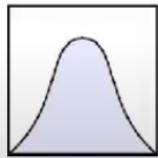
- Inputs
 - Organizational process assets
 - Project Scope Statement
 - Risk Management Plan
 - Risk Register
 - Project management plan
 - Project Schedule Management Plan
 - Project Cost Management Plan
- Tools
 - Data gathering and representation techniques
 - Quantitative risk analysis and modeling techniques

Output: Risk Register (Updates)

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Quantitative Risk Analysis - Tools

- Data Gathering and Representation Techniques
 - Interviewing – to quantify the probability and impact of risks on project objectives
 - Probability Distribution - Continuous probability distribution such as Beta and Triangular distribution represent the uncertainty in values. For example : schedule or cost. These charts represent possible value of time or cost against relative likelihood.



Beta Distribution



Triangular Distribution

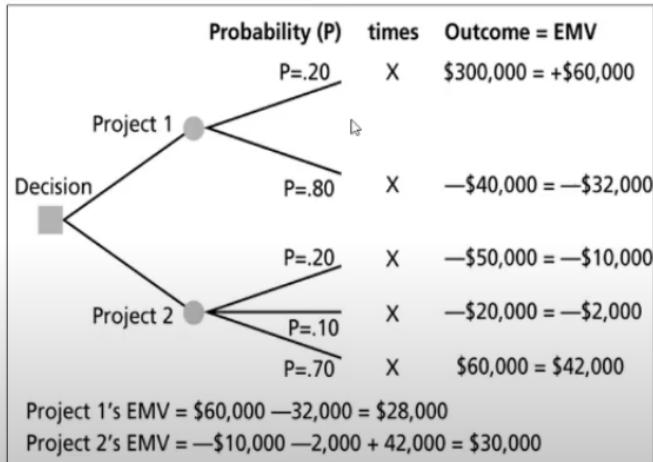
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Quantitative Analysis and Modeling Techniques

- Sensitivity Analysis
 - Sensitivity analysis is a technique used to show the effects of changing one or more variables on an outcome
 - Spreadsheet software, such as Excel, is a common tool for performing sensitivity analysis
 - Helps to determine which risks have the most potential impact on the project
 - Similar to DOE (Design of experiments)
- Estimated or Expected Monetary Value (EMV)
 - Estimated monetary value (EMV) is the product of a risk event probability and the risk event's monetary value
 - EMV of opportunities is expressed as positive values, and those of risks will be negative.
- Decision Tree Analysis
 - A decision tree is a diagramming analysis technique used to help select the best course of action in situations in which future outcomes are uncertain
 - Describes a situation under consideration, and implications of each of the available choices and possible scenarios
 - You can draw a decision tree to help find the EMV

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Expected Monetary Value (EMV) - Example



Modeling & Simulation

- Simulation uses a representation or model of a system to analyze the expected behavior or performance of the system.
- It translates the uncertainties into potential impact on project objectives.
- Simulations are typically performed using Monte Carlo technique.
- Monte Carlo analysis is a technique that converts uncertainties in input variables of a model into probability distributions. By combining the distributions and randomly selecting values from them, it recalculates the simulated model many times and brings out the probability of the output.
- It helps to understand the impact of uncertainty and develop plans to mitigate that risk.
- Provides the probability of completing project on a specific day or for any specific cost
- Results in probability distribution

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Risk Response Planning

- After identifying and quantifying risks, you must decide how to respond to them
- Process of developing options and actions to enhance opportunities and reduce threats of the project objectives
- Inputs
 - Risk Management Plan
 - Risk Register
- Tools & Techniques
 - Strategy for negative risk or threats
 - Strategy for positive risk or opportunities
 - Strategy for both threats and opportunities
 - Contingent response strategy

Output:
Risk register (updates)
Project management plan (updates)
Risk-related contractual agreements

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Risk Response Strategy

- Response techniques or strategies for negative risks:
 - Avoid (Relaxing the objective that is in jeopardy, reducing scope, extending schedule)
 - Transfer (Buying insurance, performance bonds, warranties, guarantees, contracts)
 - Mitigate (conducting more tests, choosing more stable supplier, prototype)
- Response techniques or strategies for positive risks:
 - Exploit (Add work or change the project to make sure the opportunity occurs, assigning more talented resources to reduce the time to completion)
 - Share (Allocate ownership of the opportunity to a third party, joint venture, partnerships)
 - Enhance (Increase the likelihood, probability and positive impacts of the risk event)
- Strategy for both threats and opportunities
 - Accept (If it happens, it happens)



Risk Monitoring and Control

- Involves executing the risk management process to respond to risk events
- Process of identifying, analyzing, and planning for newly arising risks, keeping track of the identified risks and risks on watchlist, monitoring trigger conditions for contingency plans, monitoring residual risks, evaluating the effectiveness of risk responses
- Workarounds are unplanned responses to risk events that must be done when there are no contingency plans

Risk Monitoring and Control - Inputs, Tools & Output

- Inputs
 - Risk management plan
 - Risk Register
 - Approved change requests
 - Work Performance information
 - Performance Reports
- Tools & Techniques
 - Risk reassessment
 - Risk audits
 - Variance and trend analysis
 - Technical performance measurement
 - Reserve analysis
 - Status meetings

Output:
Risk register (updates)
Requested Changes
Recommended corrective actions
Recommended preventive action
Organizational Process assets (updates)
Project management plan (updates)

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Reality Check!

- 96 percent of global executives believe their risk management could be improved, according to an Ernst and Young survey
- 39 percent of executives admit they were caught off-guard by risk events that impacted project success "extensively" or "a great deal."
- Although only 15.5 percent have formal guidelines on how to assess the probability or potential impact of a risk event, 60.5 percent believe risks are being effectively reviewed and monitored
- What's happening on Project A may have implications on Project B, but you can't make judgments unless you have accurate project data
- Low-likelihood, high-impact risks that can have a huge effect on the company warrant more time and thought on how to mitigate and control them
- You have to consider worst-case scenarios and the impact of interrelated risks if they happen concurrently
- Always be prepared for the unexpected
- Whether it's COVID lock down, Dengue fever, torrential rain or a food-borne illness outbreak, the plan has to be in place to deal with the event before the event happens

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Critical Success Factors

- Clear project / business objectives
- Unambiguous scope definition with boundaries, including functional and non-functional requirements
- Plan any COTS use carefully
- Active involvement of business stakeholders throughout the project
- Integrated project team representing all functions
- Effective project management
- Strong project controls
- Robust systems and processes
- Acknowledge all project risks
- Communicate frequently and honestly

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Results of Effective Risk Management

- Unlike crisis management, good project risk management often goes unnoticed
- Well-run projects appear to be almost effortless, but a lot of work goes into running a project well
- Project managers should strive to make their jobs appear simple to reflect the results of well-run projects

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Software Projects Risk Ranking Survey Results

1. Project size (# stakeholders)
2. Application complexity (# Interfaces / integrations with other systems)
3. Technology acquisition
4. Insufficient resources
5. Lack of team expertise
6. Lack of user support
7. Lack of user experience
8. Lack of clear role definition
9. Intensity of conflicts

Source: Jiang, J. J. & Klein, G. (2001). Software project risks and development focus. *Project Management Journal*, 32(1), 4–9.

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Top Risks In Indian Software Industry

1. Requirement specification changes or variability
2. Team composition
3. Control processes
4. Third-party dependencies

Source: Sharma, A., Sengupta, S., & Gupta, A. (2011). Exploring risk dimensions in the Indian software industry. *Project Management Journal*, 42(5), 78–91.

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Cost Management

In Software Projects

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What is Project Cost Management?

- Cost is a resource sacrificed or foregone to achieve a specific objective or something given up in exchange
- Costs are usually measured in monetary units like rupees or dollars or any currency
- Project Cost Management includes the processes involved in planning, estimating, budgeting, and controlling costs so that the project can be completed within the approved budget

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Cost Management Processes

- **Cost estimating:** developing an approximation or estimate of the costs of the resources needed to complete a project. This is the process where estimates for each activity are made. What do we estimate?
- **Cost budgeting:** allocating the overall cost estimate to individual work items to establish a baseline for measuring performance. This is the process of combining all estimates into one budget.
- **Cost control:** influencing the factors that create cost variances and controlling changes to the project budget

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Financial Terms

$$\frac{25}{100} : \frac{25}{125} = \frac{20\%}{25\%}$$

- Most members of an executive board better understand and are more interested in financial terms than IT terms, so IT project managers must speak their language
 - **Profits** are revenues minus expenditures $\frac{\text{Rev: } 125}{\text{Exp: } 100}$
 - **Profit margin** is the ratio of profits to revenues
 - **Cash flow analysis** determines the estimated annual costs and benefits for a project and the resulting annual cash flow
 - **Life cycle costing** considers the total cost of ownership, or development plus support costs, for a project.
 - **Value Engineering** or **Value analysis** is finding a less costly way to do the same work. Decreasing cost but maintaining the same scope.
- **Tangible costs or benefits** are those costs or benefits that an organization can easily measure in rupees, dollars etc.
- **Intangible costs or benefits** are costs or benefits that are difficult to measure in monetary terms

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Financial Terms (contd.)

- **Fixed Cost** are cost that do not change as production changes. Such as set up cost, rental etc.
- **Variable Cost** are cost that change with the amount of production or the amount of work. Such as cost of material, supplies, wages
- **Direct costs** are costs that can be directly related to producing the products and services of the project
- **Indirect costs** are costs that are not directly related to the products or services of the project, but are indirectly related to performing the project
- **Sunk cost** is money that has been spent in the past; when deciding what projects to invest in or continue, you should *not* include sunk costs
- **Opportunity Cost** is the cost of choosing one alternative and therefore giving up the potential benefits of another alternative

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Financial Terms (contd.)

- **Reserves** are money included in a cost estimate to mitigate cost risk by allowing for future situations that are difficult to predict
- **Contingency reserves** are estimated costs to be used at the discretion of the project manager to deal with anticipated, but not certain events. These events are also called “**known unknowns**” and are part of the project scope and cost baselines
- **Management reserves** are budgets reserved for unplanned, but potentially required changes to project scope and cost. They are called “**unknown unknowns**” and Project manager must obtain approval before spending this reserve. They are not distributed as budget, therefore are not a part of earned value calculations

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Financial Terms (contd.)

- **Fiscal year** (or financial year, or sometimes budget year) is used by government accounting and budget purposes, which varies between countries. It is also used for financial reporting by businesses and other organizations. In India, fiscal year is between April 01 to March 31. (US: Jan-Dec, Australia: Jul-Jun, Thailand: Oct-Sep)
- **Capex** (capital expenditure or capital expense) is the money an organization or corporate entity spends to buy, maintain, or improve its fixed assets, such as buildings, vehicles, equipment, or land. The expense is considered capex if the financial benefit of the expenditure extends beyond the current fiscal year
- **Opex** (operating expenditure or operating expense) is an ongoing cost for running a product, business, or system

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Cost Management Plan

- A Cost Management plan
 - Is a document that describes how the organization will manage cost baseline and cost variance on the project
 - Can be formal or informal, but part of Project Management Plan (part of Develop Project Management Plan Process)
 - States how estimates will be stated, at what level of WBS
 - Helps to determine if the variance is within the allowable limits and any action to be taken

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Cost Estimation

- Estimate should be based on a WBS to improve accuracy.
- Estimation should be done by the person doing the work whenever possible.
- A cost baseline should be kept and not changed except for approved changes.
- Changes are approved in integrated change control.
- Corrective and preventive actions should be recommended when cost problems occur.
- A project manager should never just accept requirements from management, but rather analyze the needs of the project, come up with own estimates and reconcile any differences to produce a realistic objectives.
- A project manager should always ensure that adequate funds are available for the project.
- Plans should be revised whenever necessary.
- Padding is not an acceptable project management practice

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Types of Cost Estimates

Type of estimate	When done	Why done	How accurate
Rough Order of Magnitude (ROM)	Very early in the project lifecycle	Provides estimate of costs for selection decisions	-50% to +100%
Budgetary	Early	Puts rupees in the budget plans	-10% to +25%
Definitive	Later in the project	Provides details for purchase; Estimates actual costs	-5% to +10%

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Cost Estimating – Inputs, Tools and Techniques and Outputs

Inputs	Tools & Techniques	Outputs
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Enterprise Environmental factors •Organizational Process Assets •Project Scope Statement •WBS •WBS Dictionary •Project Management Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Schedule mgmt. plan -Staffing mgmt. plan -Risk register 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Analogous estimating •Determine Resource Costs rates •Bottom-up estimating •Parametric Estimating •Project Management Software •Vendor bid analysis •Reserve analysis •Cost of Quality 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Activity Cost Estimate •Activity Cost Estimate Supporting Detail •Requested Changes •Cost Mgmt. Plan (Updates)

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Cost Estimation Tools and Techniques

- **Analogous or top-down estimates:** use the actual cost of a previous, similar project as the basis for estimating the cost of the current project
 - Quick but less accurate
 - Less costly but needs considerable experience to do well
- **Bottom-up estimates:** involve estimating individual work items or activities and summing them to get a project total
 - Takes time but more accurate
 - Based on the detailed analysis, requires time to break down the project in smaller pieces
- **Parametric modeling:** uses a statistical relationship between historical data and other variables to calculate a cost estimate (lines of code, square foot in construction)
 - Uses project characteristics (parameters) in a mathematical model to estimate project costs
 - Can produce high level of accuracy depending upon the sophistication, as well as underlying resource quantity and cost data built into the model

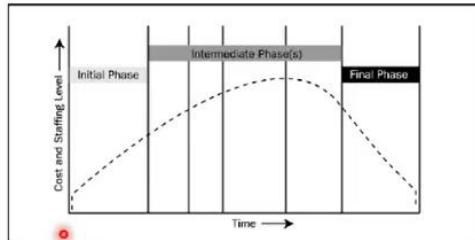
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Sample Project Cost Estimate

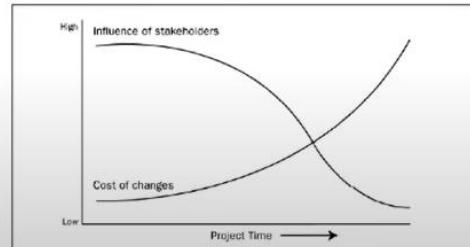
WBS Items	Units / Hrs	Cost/ Unit/ Hours	Sub-total	WBS Level 1 totals	% of Total
1. Project Management				\$306,300	20%
Project Manager	960	\$100	\$96,000		
Project Team Members	1920	\$75	\$144,000		
Contractors (10% of Software Development and Testing)			\$66,300		
2. Hardware				\$76,000	5%
Hardware devices	100	\$600	\$60,000		
Servers	4	\$4000	\$16,000		
3. Software				\$614,000	40%
Licensed Software	100	\$200	\$20000		
Software development			\$594,000		
4. Testing (10% of total Hardware and Software cost)			\$69,000	\$69,000	5%
5. Training and Support				\$202,400	13%
Trainee Cost	100	\$500	\$50,000		
Travel Cost	12	\$700	\$8,400		
Project Team Members	1920	\$75	\$144,000		
6. Reserves (20% of total estimate)			\$253,540	\$253,540	17%
Total project estimate				\$1,521240	

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Cost of changes



Tip : The ability to influence cost is greatest at the early stages of the project, and this is why early scope definition is critical.



Source: PMI PMBOK (Third Edition)

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Cost Budgeting

- Cost budgeting involves allocating the project cost estimate to individual work items over time
- The WBS is a required input to the cost budgeting process since it defines the work items
- An important goal is to produce a **cost baseline**
 - A time-phased budget that project managers use to measure and monitor and control overall cost performance on the project
 - It is developed by summing estimated costs by period and is usually displayed in the form of S-curve
 - Cost baseline is a component of Project Management Plan
 - Cost baseline includes Contingency reserve and cost budget includes Management Reserves.

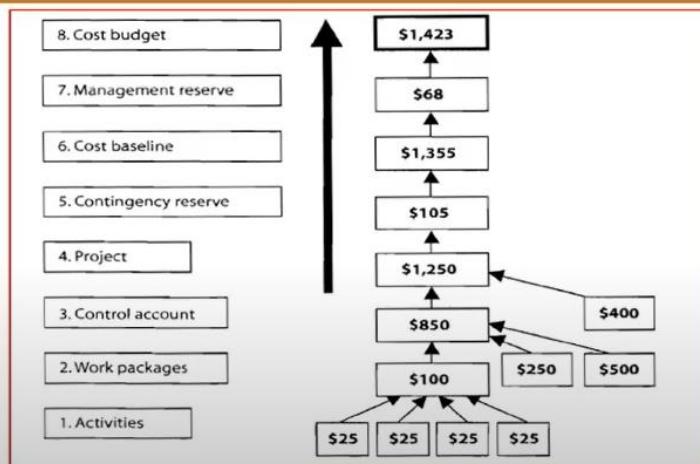
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Cost Budgeting – Inputs, Tools and Techniques and Outputs

Inputs	Tools & Techniques	Outputs
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Project Scope Statement •WBS •WBS Dictionary •Activity Cost Estimates •Activity Cost Estimates Supporting Detail •Project schedule •Resource Calendar •Contract •Cost Mgmt. Plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Cost Aggregation •Reserve analysis •Parametric Estimating •Funding limit reconciliation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Cost Baseline •Project Funding Requirements •Cost Mgmt. Plan (Updates) •Requested Changes

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Cost Budgeting



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Cost Control

- Cost Control includes
 - Influencing the factors that create changes to the cost baseline
 - Managing the actual changes when they occur
 - Assuring the potential cost overruns do not exceed the authorized funding
 - Monitoring cost performance to detect variances from cost baseline
 - Preventing incorrect or unapproved changes from being included
 - Informing appropriate stakeholders for approved changes
 - Taking corrective actions to bring the cost overruns within acceptable limits

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Cost Control – Inputs, Tools and Techniques and Outputs

Inputs	Tools & Techniques	Outputs
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cost Baseline• Project Funding Requirements• Performance Reports• Work Performance information• Approved change requests• Project Management Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cost Change Control system• Performance Measurement Analysis• Forecasting• Project Performance Reviews• Project Management Software• Variance Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cost Estimates (updates)• Cost Baseline (updates)• Performance Measurements• Forecasted Completion• Requested Changes• Recommended Corrective Actions• Organizational process Assets (updates)• Project Management Plan (updates)

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Cost Control – Tools and Techniques

- Performance Measurement Analysis
 - This helps to assess the magnitude of any variances that will invariably occur
 - Earned Value Technique (EVT) compares the cumulative value of budgeted cost of work performed (earned) at the original allocated budget amount to both the budgeted cost of work scheduled(planned) and to the actual cost of work performed (actual)
 - This technique is especially useful for cost control, resource management and production

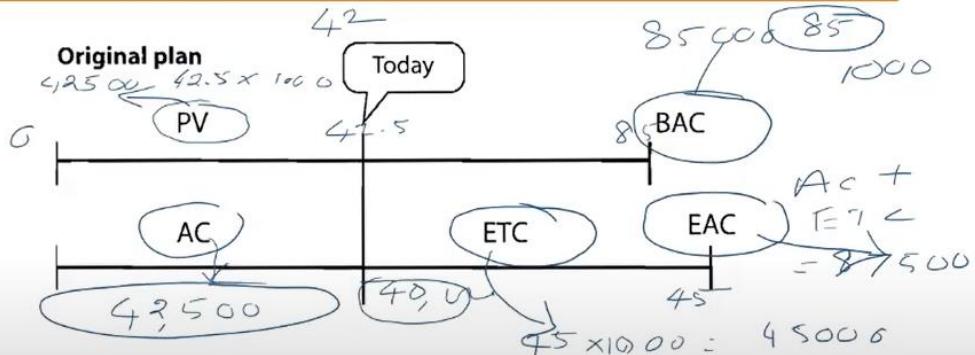
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Earned Value Management (EVM) Technique

- EVM is a project performance measurement technique that integrates scope, time, and cost data
- A method to measure project performance against the project baseline
- Results from Earned Value Analysis, indicate potential deviation of the project from cost and schedule baselines
- Can be used to forecast future performance and project completion dates and costs

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Estimate At Complete (EAC) Vs Estimate To Complete (ETC)



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Some more Financial & Accounting terms

- Present Value $(20,000)$ $6k \rightarrow 5$ $(30,000)$ $= 10k$
 - Present value means the value today of future cash flows
- Net Present Value
 - Present value of total benefits (income or revenues) less the costs over many time periods
- Internal Rate of Return $\frac{20k}{20k}$
 - The rate at which the project inflows (revenues) and project outflows (costs) are equal
- Payback Period $20k$ $6, 12, (18) 24$
 - The number of time periods it takes to recover the investment before you start accumulating profits
- Benefit Cost Ratio $\frac{30k}{20} = 1.5 > 1$ $24k > 20k$
 - Benefit to cost ratio. > 1 means benefits are greater than the costs

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Depreciation

- Loosing value of an asset over time
- Two types of depreciation
 - Straight Line Depreciation
 - The same amount of depreciation is taken every year
 - Accelerated Depreciation : Depreciates faster than straight line
 - Double Declining Balance
 - Sum of the years digits

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Exercise Test yourself! For each row on the following chart, enter the letter of the project you would select if the following information was provided.

Project A	Project B	Which Project Would You Pick?
Net present value	\$95,000	\$75,000
IRR	13 percent	17 percent
Payback period	16 months	21 months
Benefit cost ratio	2.79	1.3

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Exercise Test yourself! For each row on the following chart, enter the letter of the project you would select if the following information was provided.

Answer

	Project A	Project B	Which Project Would You Pick?
Net present value	\$95,000	\$75,000	A
IRR	13 percent	17 percent	B
Payback period	16 months	21 months	A
Benefit cost ratio	2.79	1.3	A

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You have two projects to choose from. Project A will take three years to complete and has an NPV of \$45,000. Project B will take six years to complete and has an NPV of \$85,000. Which one would you prefer?

Answer Project B.

What is the opportunity cost of selecting project B?

Answer \$45,000.

You have two projects to choose from; Project A with an IRR of 21 percent or Project B with an IRR of 15 percent. Which one would you prefer?

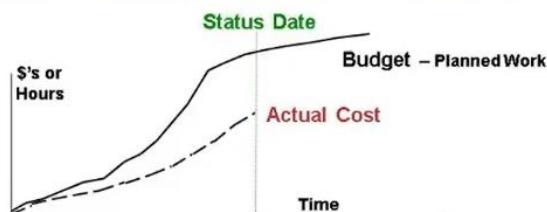
Answer Project A.

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Earned Value Management

Traditional Project Cost Curve

What can you tell about project performance from this cost curve?



- 1. Completing work for less than the budgeted amount
- 2. Behind the project schedule
- 3. Spending less than planned
- 4. Behind schedule & completing work for less than the budget amount

Earned Value Terms

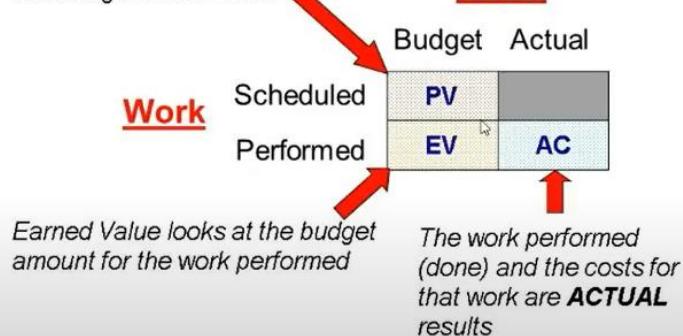
- **Planned Value (PV):** -This is the budget cost of *what was scheduled to be done*
- **Actual Cost (AC):** This is *what the work actually cost*
- **Earned Value (EV):** This is *what was actually done (earned)*



$EV = \% \text{ Complete} \times \text{budget \$ for that activity}$

Earned Value Relationships

The work with the schedule and budget is the **PLAN**



Units Completed - Examples

- Example: installation of 1000 feet of 8" water main. If 400 feet are installed:

$$\text{% Complete} = (400/1000) \times 100 = 40\%$$

- Pipe fabrication drawings – 100 required and 45 are done. **Progress?**
- New computers for office – total of 500 to install, 350 done. **Progress?**



Qualitative Progressing

- **Level of Effort** - assumes the progress of the activity is equal to the amount spent



- **Individual Judgment** -
Important to get multiple opinions of progress, this provides a 'checks and balance' on the progress accuracy

Incremental Milestone Example

Engineering Drawing

Task	Incremental Progress	Cumulative Progress
Drawing started	10%	10%
Prepare first draft	35%	45%
Conduct first review	10%	55%
Prepare updates	10%	65%
Conduct final reviews	10%	75%
Prepare final revisions	15%	90%
Obtain approvals	10%	100%

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Schedule & Cost: Variance & Index

• Schedule Variance

measures schedule performance at a point in time:

$$SV = EV - PV$$

~~\$3000~~ ~~- \$2000~~ $\rightarrow 40 \times 1000$
 $\overline{45 \times 1000}$

• Schedule Performance Index

ratio of work performed to work scheduled (earned / plan):

$$SPI = EV / PV$$

$\frac{4000}{4300} < 1$

• Cost Variance

measures cost performance at a point in time:

$$CV = EV - AC$$

$4000 - 4250 \rightarrow 42.5k$

• Cost performance index

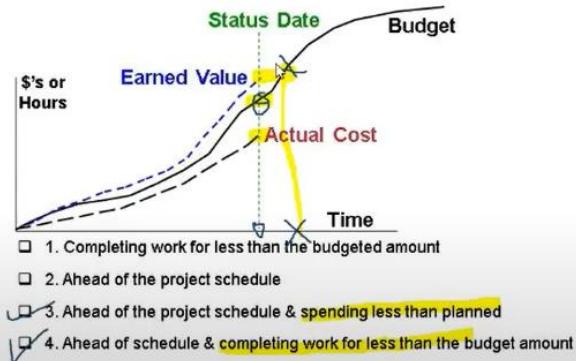
ratio of budget costs for work performed to actual costs:

$$CPI = EV / AC$$

$$\frac{40}{42.5} < 1$$

Earned Value Analysis Curve

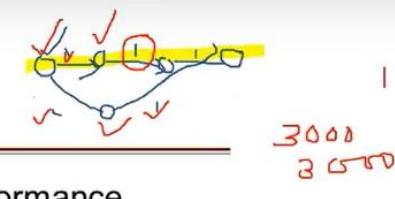
What can you tell about project performance from this cost curve?



SPI Warning!!!

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- Total Float must also be considered!
- SPI > 1.0 may occur by "earning" progress on non-critical activities



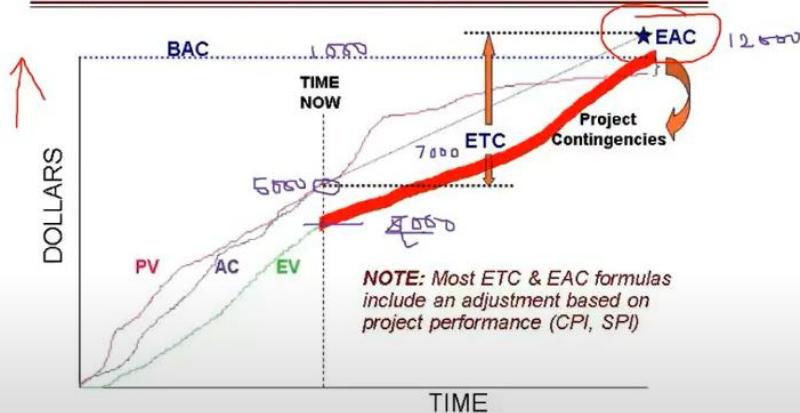
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Key Cost Forecasting Terms

- **Budget at Completion (BAC)** - sum of all authorized budgets allocated to a project - the "Performance Measurement Baseline"
- **Estimate to Complete (ETC)** - the expected *additional* cost to complete the project
- **Estimate at Completion (EAC)** - the expected *total* cost of the project when the defined scope of work is completed

Key Cost Forecasting Terms



EVM Example-1

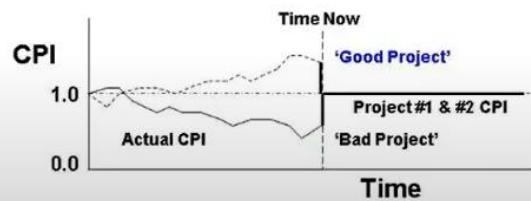
- Cost per day = 1000 Rs.; Value per program = 1000 Rs.

Day	Cumulative cost (Rs.)	# Cumulative Programs to complete	Planned Value (PV)	Actual Cost	Actual pgms. completed	Earned Value (EV)
1	1000	1	1000	1000	1	1000
2	2000	2	2000	2000	2	2000
3	3000	3	3000	3500	2.5	2500
4	4000	4	4000	5000	3	3000
5	5000	5	5000			
6	6000	6	6000			
7	7000	7	7000			
8	8000	8	8000			
9	9000	9	9000			
10	10000	10	10000			



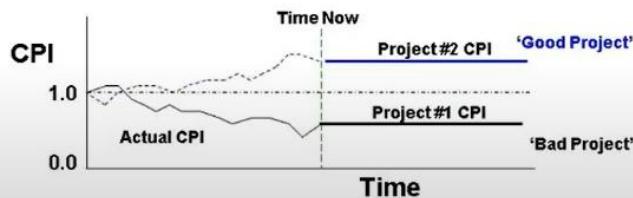
EAC Formulas: CPI = 1

- 'Mathematical' or 'Overrun-to-Date' EAC
- **EAC = AC + (BAC - EV)** - assumes the plan will be met for the remaining work (CPI = 1.0)
- Yields the most optimistic EAC when CPI < 1.0



EAC Formulas: 'Most Likely'

- 'Cumulative CPI' EAC
- **EAC = AC + (BAC - EV)/CPI = BAC/CPI**
- Assumes the performance (CPI) will remain unchanged for the rest of the project



Comments on Cumulative CPI

- Cumulative CPI has been shown to stabilize as early as the 20% completion point of the project
- “...researchers found the cumulative **CPI does not change by more than 10% once a contract is 20% complete**; in most cases, the cumulative CPI one worsens as a contract proceeds to completion”¹

¹ Dr. David S. Christensen, “Using Performance Indices to Evaluate the Estimate at Completion,” *The Journal of Cost Analysis of the Society of Cost Estimating and Analysis*, Spring 1994, page 19.

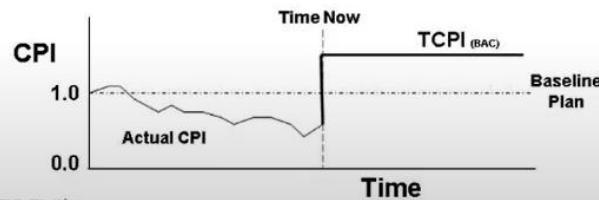
To-Complete Performance Index

- **TCPI** – provides a forecast of the required performance level, expressed as a CPI, which must be achieved on the remaining work in order to meet the project financial goal, which can be:
 - Current authorized budget
 - Project Manager’s current EAC
- **TCPI** – provides a sanity check for the Project Manager on whether the required CPI for the rest of the project is obtainable
- Remember: “...cumulative CPI does not change by more than 10% once a contract is 20% complete...”

TCPI Formulas

$$TCPI_{(BAC)} = \frac{\text{Work Remaining}}{\text{Funds Remaining}} = \frac{(BAC - EV)}{(BAC - AC)}$$

$$TCPI_{(EAC)} = \frac{\text{Work Remaining}}{\text{Funds Remaining}} = \frac{(BAC - EV)}{(EAC - AC)}$$



How to Successfully Use EV

...what's needed:

1. Complete Requirements
2. Complete WBS
3. Integrated & Correct Project Plan
4. Change Management Process
5. Effective Cost System
6. Accurate Reported Progress



Conclusion

- Earned Value is a methodology that, if used properly, provides project performance measurement
- EV requires complete requirements, scope definition and a Project Plan!
- Properly used, Earned Value is a flexible process that provides timely information on the project health

Procurement Management

In Software Projects

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Common Terms

- Procurement
 - The fancy word for “purchasing”. Generally, the procurement department within an organization manages all the major purchases
- Procurement Management Plan
 - The document that describes how procurement processes from developing procurement documentation through contract closure will be managed
- Make-or-buy decision
 - A business decision that compares the costs and benefits of manufacturing a product or product component against purchasing it

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Common Terms (contd.)

- Contract
 - A contract is a mutually binding agreement that obligates the seller to provide the specified product or service or result and obligates the buyer to pay for it
- Seller
 - Contractor, Subcontractor, Vendor, Service Provider, Supplier
- Buyer
 - Client, Customer, Prime Contractor, Contractor, Acquiring Organization, Government Agency, Service Requester, Purchaser
- Statement of Work (SOW)
 - A narrative description of products, services, or results to be supplied

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Project Procurement Management

- Procurement means acquiring goods and/or services from an outside source
- Other terms include purchasing and outsourcing
- Experts predict that global spending on computer software and services will continue to grow
- India is the leading country for U.S. offshore outsourcing
- People continue to debate whether offshore outsourcing helps their own country or not
- Reason for Outsourcing
 - To reduce both fixed and recurrent costs
 - To allow the client organization to focus on its core business
 - To access skills and technologies
 - To provide flexibility
 - To increase accountability



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What do you do to buy a Smart Phone

Need 2 volunteers or 2 groups - seller
and buyer

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Procurement Management Processes & Outputs



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Procurement Management Processes & Outputs

Planning

Process: Plan purchases and acquisitions
Outputs: Procurement management plan, contract statement of work (SOW), make-or-buy decisions, requested changes to the project

Process: Plan contracting

Outputs: Procurement documents (i.e., RFP, evaluation criteria, updates to the contract SOW)

Executing

Process: Request seller responses
Outputs: Qualified sellers list, procurement document package, proposals

Process: Select sellers

Outputs: Selected sellers, contracts, contract management plan, resource availability information, updates to the procurement management plan, requested changes

Monitoring and Controlling

Process: Administer the contract

Outputs: Contract documentation, requested changes, recommended corrective actions, updates to organizational process assets and the project management plan

Closing

Process: Contract closure

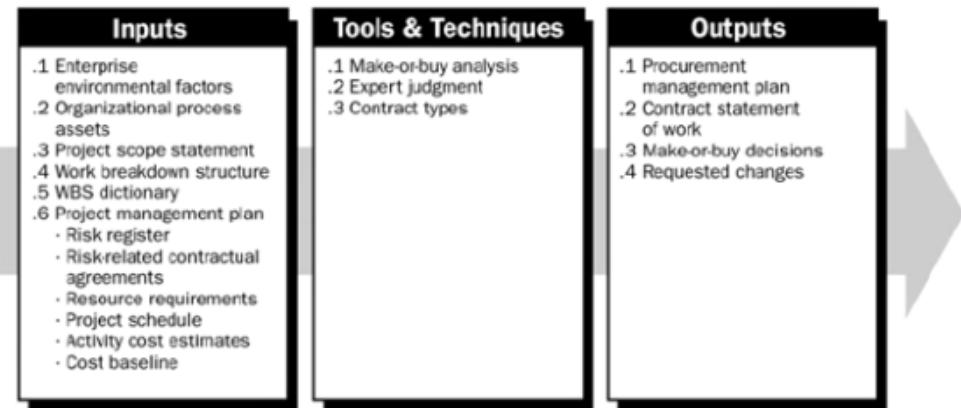
Outputs: Closed contracts, updates to organizational process assets

Project Start

Project Finish

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Planning Purchases and Acquisitions - Inputs, Tools & Techniques, Outputs



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Make or Buy – An example

- Assume you can lease an item you need for a project for \$800/day; to purchase the item, the cost is \$12,000 plus a daily operational cost of \$400/day. How long will it take for the purchase cost to be the same as the lease cost?
 - Set up an equation so both options, purchase and lease, are equal
 - In this example, use the following equation; let d be the number of days to use the item:
 - $\$12,000 + \$400 * d = \$800 * d$
 - So, $d = 30$
 - If you need the item for more than 30 days, it is more economical to purchase it

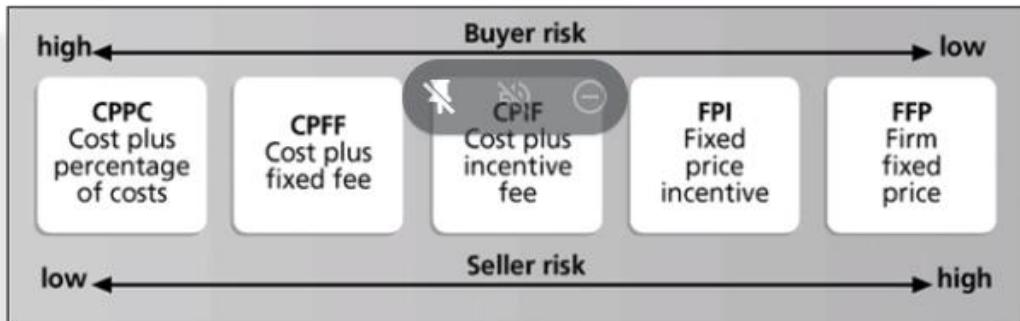
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Different Types of Contracts

- Different types of contracts can be used in different situations
 - **Fixed Price or Lump Sum contracts:**
 - Firm fixed total price for a well-defined product or service
 - Fixed Price Incentive Fee (FPIF)
 - Fixed Price Economic Price Adjustment (FPEPA)
 - **Cost Reimbursable (CR) contracts:** involve payment to the seller for direct and indirect costs plus an additional amount
 - Cost Plus Fee (CPF) or Cost Plus Percentage of Costs (CPPC): the buyer pays the supplier for allowable performance costs plus a predetermined percentage based on total costs
 - Cost Plus Fixed Fee (CPFF): the buyer pays the supplier for allowable performance costs plus a fixed fee payment usually based on a percentage of estimated costs
 - Cost Plus Incentive Fee (CPIF): the buyer pays the supplier for allowable performance costs plus a predetermined fee and an incentive bonus
 - Cost Plus Award Fee (CPAF) is similar to CPIF except the award amount is determined in advance and apportioned out depending on performance
 - **Time & Material (T&M) contracts:** hybrid of both fixed price and cost reimbursable contracts, often used by consultants
 - Unit Price contracts: require the buyer to pay the seller a predetermined amount per unit of service
- A single contract can actually include all four of these categories, if it makes sense for that particular procurement

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Contract Clauses, Contract Types and Risk



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Contract Statement of Work (SOW)

- Describes how the procurement processes will be managed, from developing documentation for making outside purchases or acquisitions to contract closure
- Content of a Procurement Management Plan varies based on project needs
- A statement of work is a description of the work required for the procurement
- If an SOW is used as part of a contract to describe only the work required for that particular contract, it is called a contract statement of work
- A SOW is a type of scope statement
- A good SOW gives bidders a better understanding of the buyer's expectations
 - Performance
 - Functional
 - Design

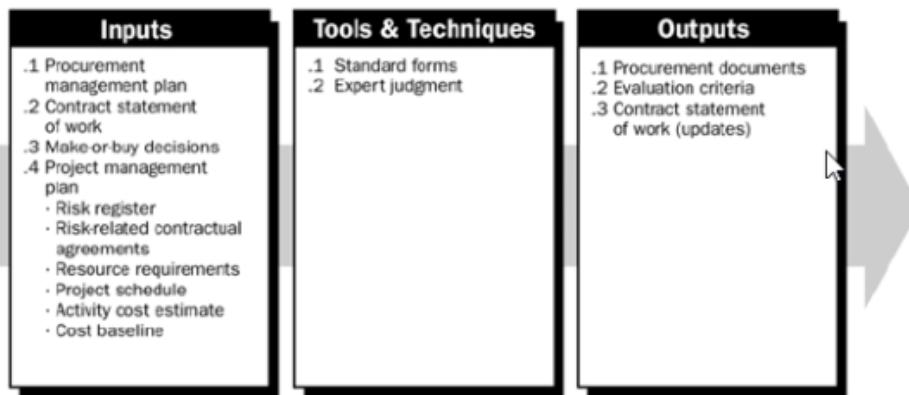
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Statement of Work (SOW) - Sample

- I. **Scope of Work:** Describe the work to be done to detail. Specify the hardware and software involved and the exact nature of the work.
- II. **Location of Work:** Describe where the work must be performed. Specify the location of hardware and software and where the people must perform the work
- III. **Period of Performance:** Specify when the work is expected to start and end, working hours, number of hours that can be billed per week, where the work must be performed, and related schedule information.
- IV. **Deliverables Schedule:** List specific deliverables, describe them in detail, and specify when they are due.
- V. **Applicable Standards:** Specify any company or industry-specific standards that are relevant to performing the work.
- VI. **Acceptance Criteria:** Describe how the buyer organization will determine if the work is acceptable.
- VII. **Special Requirements:** Specify any special requirements such as hardware or software certifications, minimum degree or experience level of personnel, travel requirements, and so on.

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Plan Contracting - Inputs, Tools & Techniques, Outputs



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Plan Contracting - RFPs and RFQs

- Involves preparing several documents needed for potential sellers to prepare their responses and determining the evaluation criteria for the contract award
 - Request for Proposals (RFPs): used to solicit proposals from prospective sellers
 - A proposal is a document prepared by a seller when there are different approaches for meeting buyer needs
 - Invitation to Bid or Request for Bid (ITB or RFB) requests one price to do all the work
 - Requests for Quotes (RFQs): used to solicit quotes or bids from prospective suppliers
 - A bid, also called a tender or quote (short for quotation), is a document prepared by sellers providing pricing for standard items that have been clearly defined by the buyer

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Request for Proposal (RFP) – Sample

- I. Purpose of RFP
- II. Organization's Background
- III. Basic Requirements
- IV. Hardware and Software Environment
- V. Description of RFP Process
- VI. Statement of Work and Schedule Information
- VII. Possible Appendices
 - A. Current System Overview
 - B. System Requirements
 - C. Volume and Size Data
 - D. Required Contents of Vendor's Response to RFP
 - E. Sample Contract

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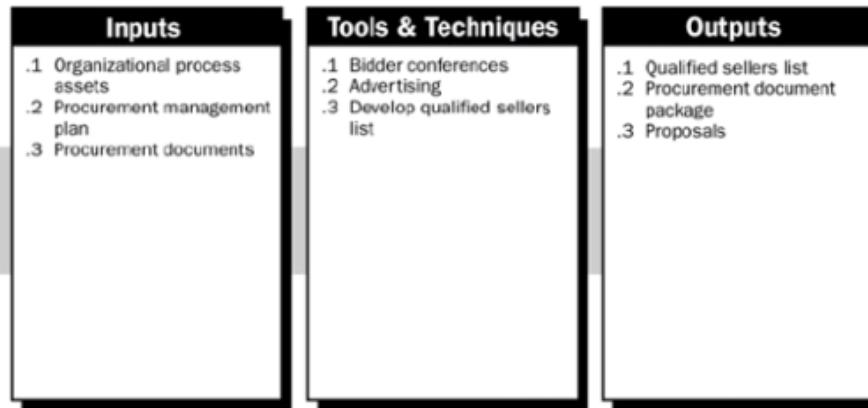


Evaluation Criteria and Requesting Seller Responses

- It's important to prepare some form of evaluation criteria, preferably before issuing a formal RFP or RFQ
- Beware of proposals that look good on paper; be sure to evaluate factors, such as past performance and management approach
- Can require a technical presentation as part of a proposal
- Deciding whom to ask to do the work, sending appropriate documentation to potential sellers, and obtaining proposals or bids
- Organizations can advertise to procure goods and services in several ways
 - Approaching the preferred vendor
 - Approaching several potential vendors
 - Advertising to anyone interested
- A bidders' conference can help clarify the buyer's expectation

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Requesting Seller Responses - Inputs, Tools & Techniques, Outputs



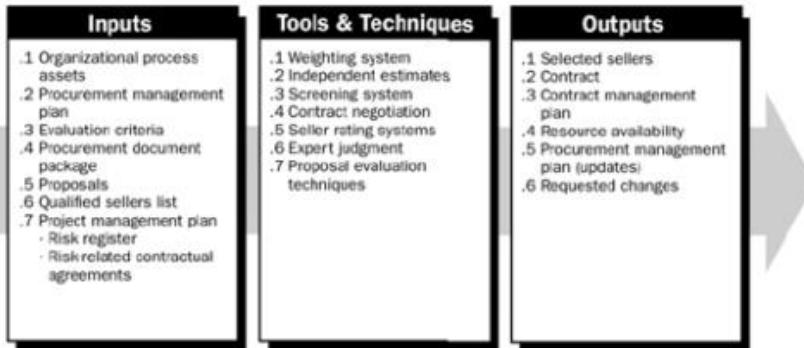
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Selection of Sellers

- Also called source selection
- Involves:
 - Evaluating proposals or bids from sellers
 - Choosing the best one
 - Negotiating the contract (Attacks, Personal Insults, Good Guy/ Bad Guy, Deadline, Lying, Limited Authority, Missing Man, Fair and Reasonable, Delay, Extreme Demands, Withdrawal, Fait Accompli)
 - Awarding the contract

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Select Sellers - Inputs, Tools & Techniques, Outputs



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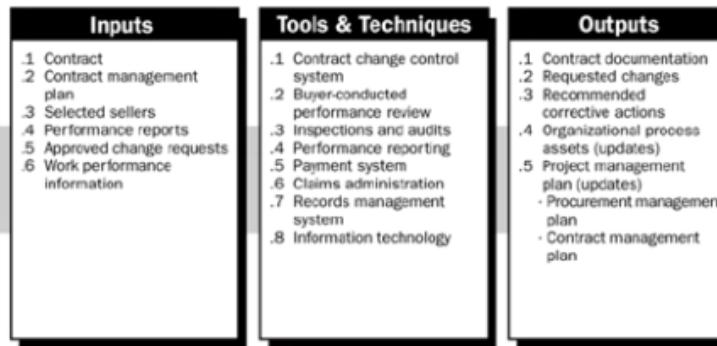
Seller Selection Process

- Organizations often do an initial evaluation of all proposals and bids and then develop a short list of potential sellers for further evaluation
- Sellers on the short list often prepare a best and final offer (BAFO)
- Final output is a contract signed by the buyer and the selected seller

Criteria	Weight	Proposal 1		Proposal 2		Proposal 3	
		Rating	Score	Rating	Score	Rating	Score
Technical Approach	30%						
Management Approach	30%						
Past Performance	20%						
Price	20%						
Total Score	100%						

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Contract Administration - Inputs, Tools & Techniques, Outputs



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Contract Administration

- Contract Administration
 - Ensures that the seller's performance meets contractual requirements
 - Contracts are legal relationships, so it is important that legal and contracting professionals be involved in writing and administering contracts
 - Many project managers ignore contractual issues, which can result in serious problems

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Change Control in Contracts

- Changes to any part of the project need to be reviewed, approved, and documented by the same people in the same way that the original part of the plan was approved
- Evaluation of any change should include an impact analysis; how will the change affect the scope, time, cost, and quality of the goods or services being provided?
- Changes must be documented in writing; project team members should also document all important meetings and telephone phone calls
- Project managers and teams should stay closely involved to make sure the new system will meet business needs and work in an operational environment
- Have backup plans
- Use tools and techniques, such as a contract change control system, buyer-conducted performance reviews, inspections and audits, and so on

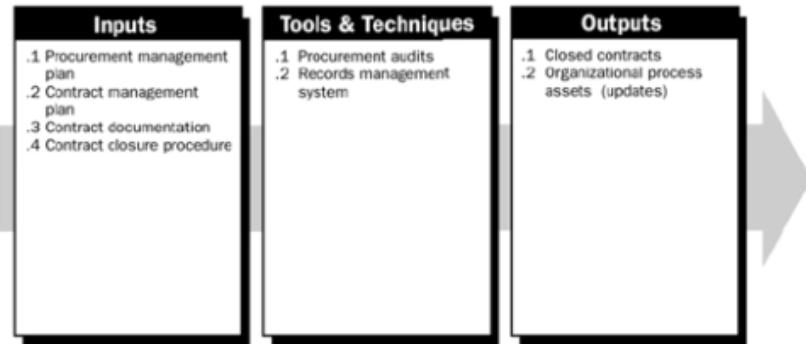
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Closing a Contract

- Involves completing and settling contracts and resolving any open items
- The project team should:
 - Determine if all work was completed correctly and satisfactorily
 - Update records to reflect final results
 - Archive information for future use
- The contract itself should include requirements for formal acceptance and closure
- Administrative Closure (uses the term 'lessons learned') may be done at the end of each project phase and at the end of the project as a whole. Contract Closure (uses the term 'procurement audit') is done only once, at the end of the contract
- Tools Used:
 - Procurement audits identify lessons learned in the procurement process
 - A records management system provides the ability to easily organize, find, and archive procurement-related documents

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Closing a Contract



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Some Useful Terms

- Force majeure is a situation that can be considered an act of God, such as fire or storm that is an allowable excuse for either party not meeting the contract requirements
- Letter of Intent is normally NOT a contract but simply a letter, without legal binding, that says the buyer intends to hire the seller
- Privity means a contractual relationship
- Retainage is the amount of money, usually 5% or 10% withheld from each payment. This money is paid when all the final work is completed and helps ensure completion
- Non competitive procurement
 - Single Source means contracting directly with the preferred seller without going through the procurement process
 - Sole Source means there is only one seller (may be a company who owns a patent)

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Best Practices

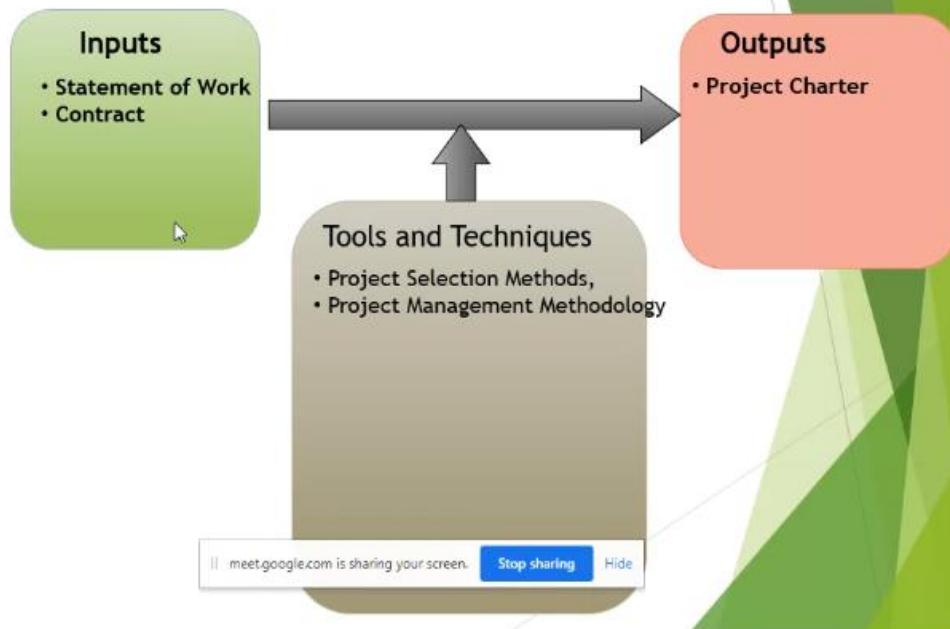
- Build in Broad Business Outcomes Early and Often
- Hire a Partner, Not Just a Provider
- It's More Than a Contract, It's a Business Relationship
- Leverage Gain-Sharing
- Use Active Governance
- Assign a Dedicated Executive
- Focus Relentlessly on Primary Objectives

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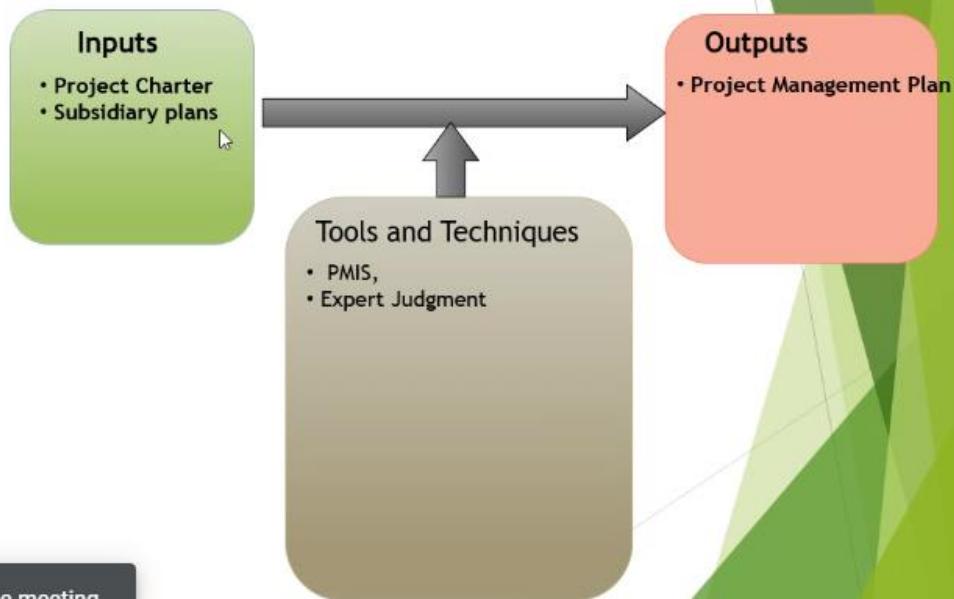
Integration Management

● Develop Project Charter



Integration Management

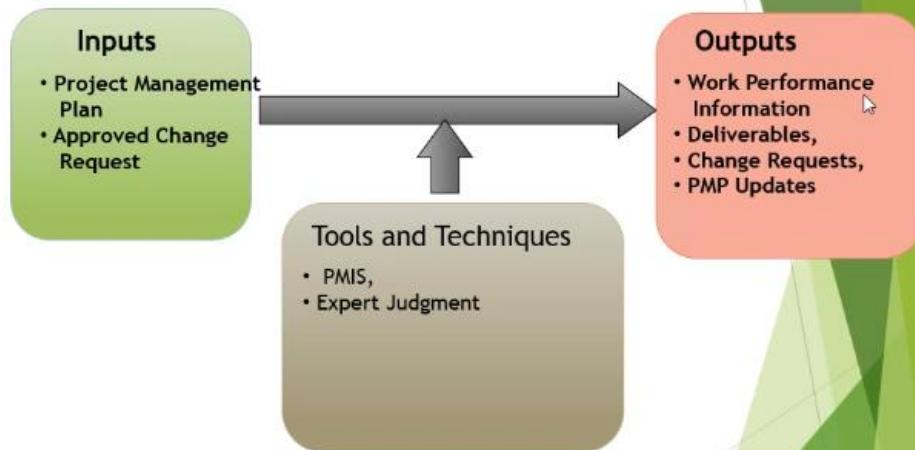
- Develop Project Management Plan



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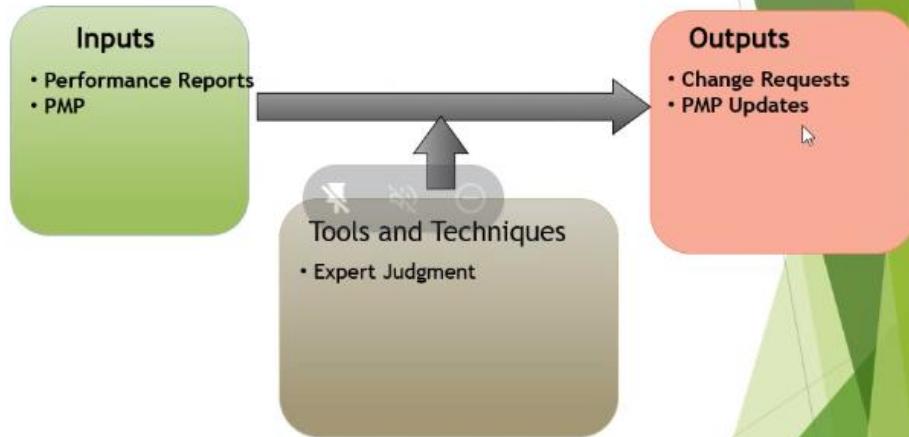
Integration Management

- Direct and Manage Project Execution



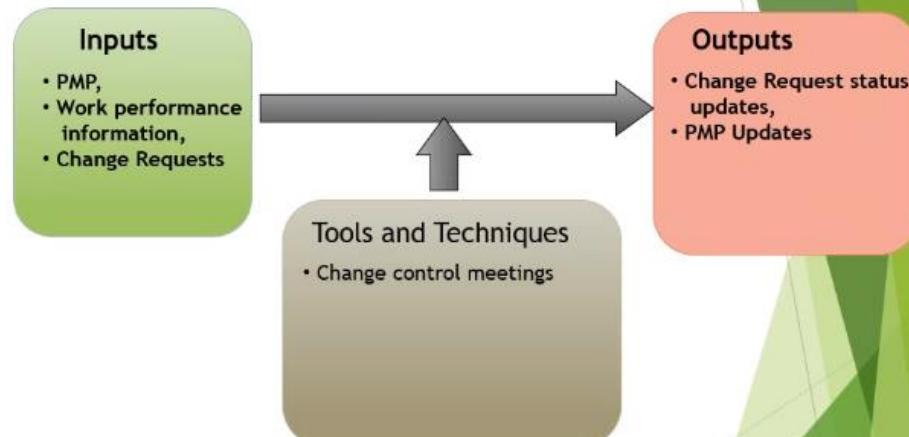
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- Monitor and Control Project



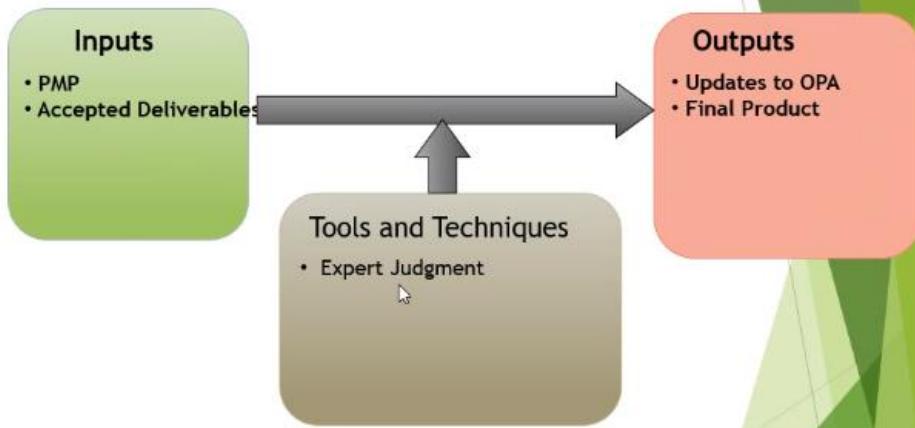
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- Perform Integrated Change Control



Integration Management

- Close Project or Phase

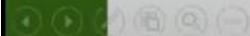


Quality Management

- Plan Quality

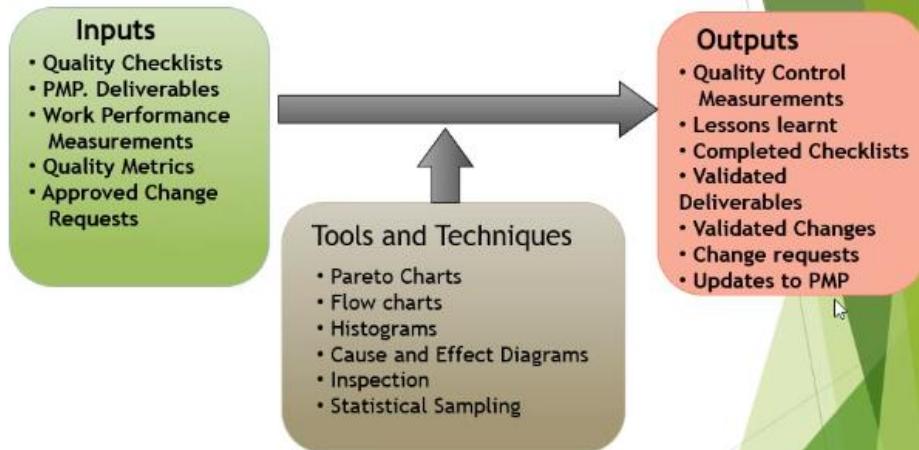


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Quality Management

● Perform Quality Control

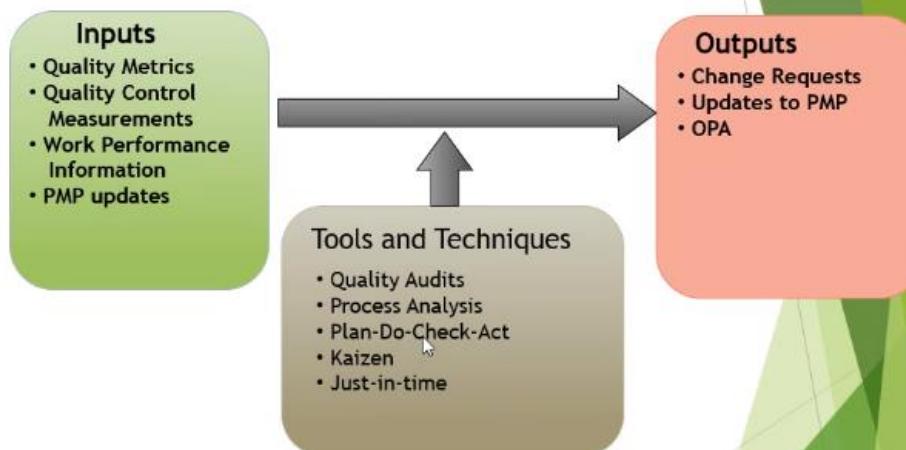


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Quality Management

● Perform Quality Assurance



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