

Chapter Thirteen

Progress and Performance Measurement and Evaluation

Structure of a Project Monitoring Information System

- Creating a project monitoring system involves determining:
 - *What* data to collect
 - *How, when, and who* will collect the data
 - How to *analyze* the data
 - How to *report* current progress to management

Project Monitoring Information System

- Information System Structure
 - What Data Are Collected?
 - Current status of project (schedule and cost)
 - Remaining cost to complete project
 - Date that project will be completed
 - Potential problems to be addressed now
 - Cost and/or schedule overruns and the reasons for them
 - Forecast of overruns at time of project completion

Project Monitoring Info. System (cont'd)

- Information System Structure (cont'd)
 - Collecting Data and Analysis
 - Who will collect project data?
 - How will data be collected?
 - When will the data be collected?
 - Who will compile and analyze the data?
 - Reports and Reporting
 - Who will receive the reports?
 - How will the reports be transmitted?
 - When will the reports be distributed?

Project Progress Report Format

- Progress since last report
- Current status of project
 1. Schedule
 2. Cost
 3. Scope
- Cumulative trends
- Problems and issues since last report
 1. Actions and resolution of earlier problems
 2. New variances and problems identified
- Corrective action planned

The Project Control Process

- Control
 - The process of comparing actual performance against plan to identify deviations, evaluate courses of action, and take appropriate corrective action
- Project Control Steps
 1. Setting a baseline plan
 2. Measuring progress and performance
 3. Comparing plan against actual
 4. Taking action
- Tools for Monitoring Time Performance
 - Tracking Gantt chart
 - Control chart
 - Milestone schedules

Baseline and Tracking Gantt Charts

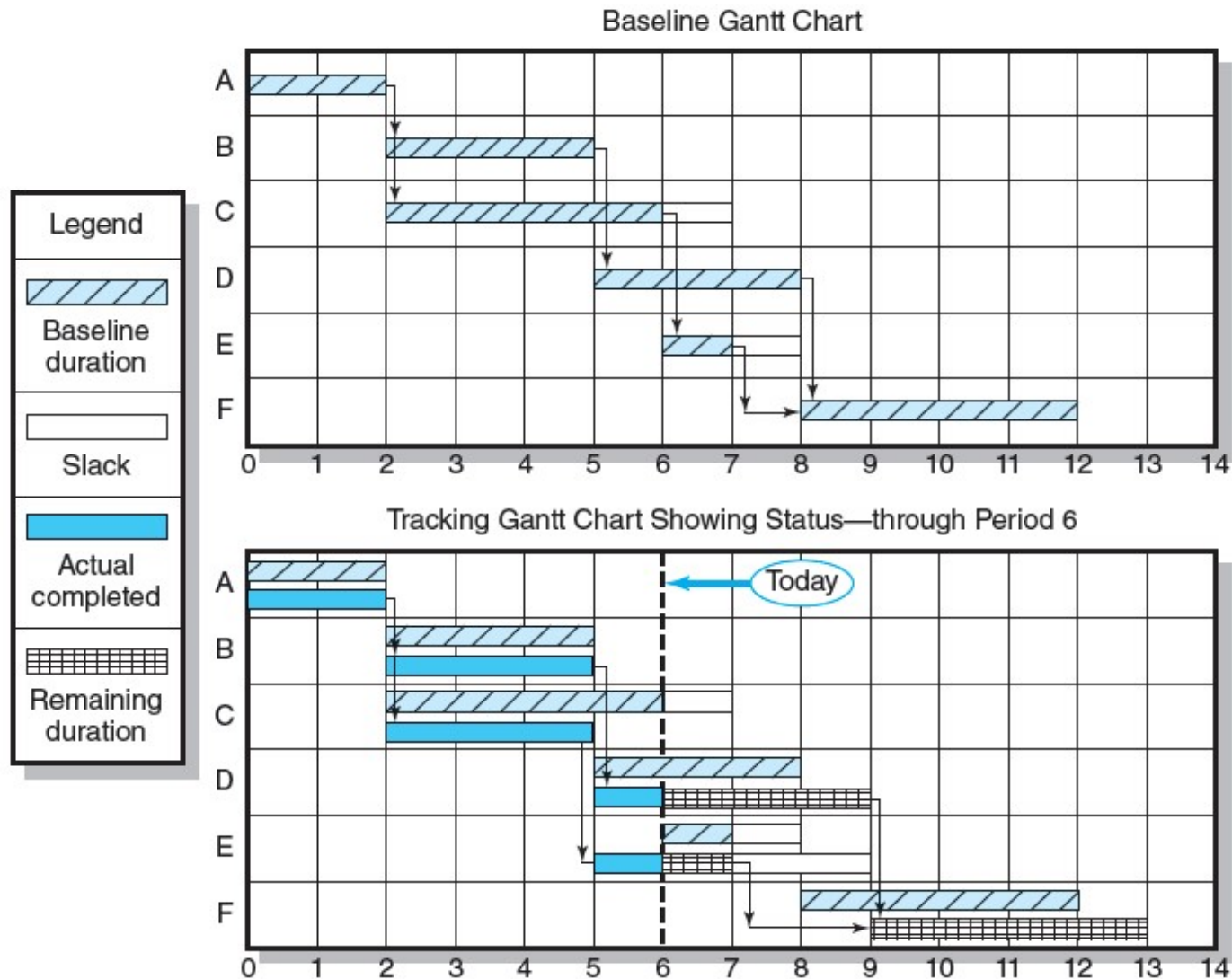


FIGURE 13.1

Project Schedule Control Chart

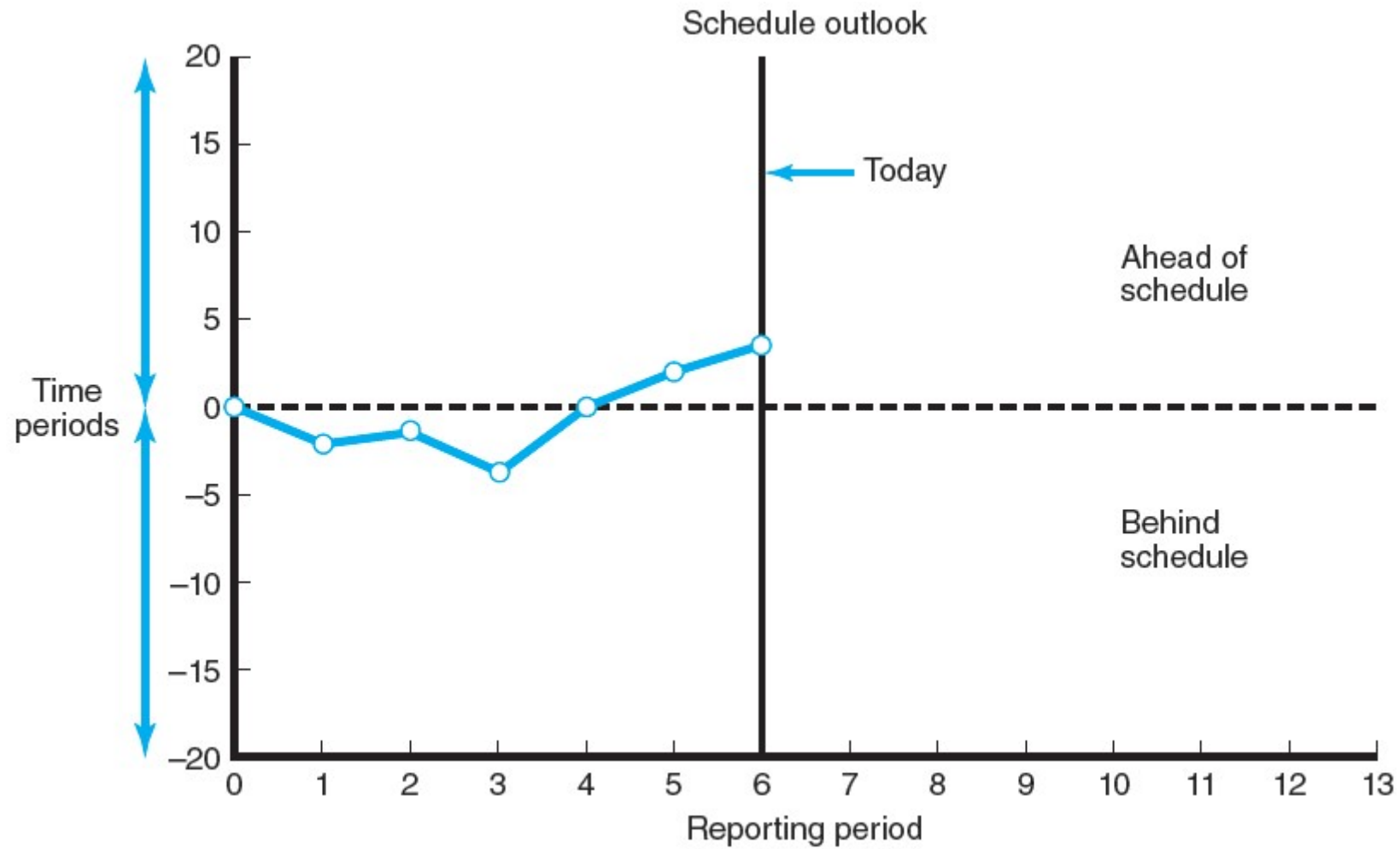


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Development of an Earned Value Cost/Schedule System

- Time-Phase Baseline Plan
 - Corrects the failure of most monitoring systems to connect a project's actual performance to its schedule and forecast budget.
 - Systems that measure only cost variances do not identify resource and project cost problems associated with falling behind or progressing ahead of schedule.
- Earned Value Cost/Schedule System
 - An integrated project management system based on the earned value concept that uses a time-phased budget baseline to compare actual and planned schedule and costs

Glossary of Terms

EV	Earned value for a task is simply the percent complete times its original budget. Stated differently, EV is the percent of the original budget that has been earned by actual work completed. [BCWP—budgeted cost of the work performed].
PV	The planned time-phased baseline of the value of the work scheduled. An approved cost estimate of the resources scheduled in a time-phased cumulative baseline [BCWS—budgeted cost of the work scheduled].
AC	Actual cost of the work completed. The sum of the costs incurred in accomplishing work. [ACWP—actual cost of the work performed].
CV	Cost variance is the difference between the earned value and the actual costs for the work completed to date where $CV = EV - AC$.
SV	Schedule variance is the difference between the earned value and the baseline line to date where $SV = EV - PV$.
BAC	Budgeted cost at completion. Total budgeted cost of the baseline or project cost accounts.
EAC	Estimated cost at completion.
ETC	Estimated cost to complete remaining work.
VAC	Cost variance at completion. VAC indicates expected actual over- or under-run cost at completion.

TABLE 13.1

Cost/Schedule Graph

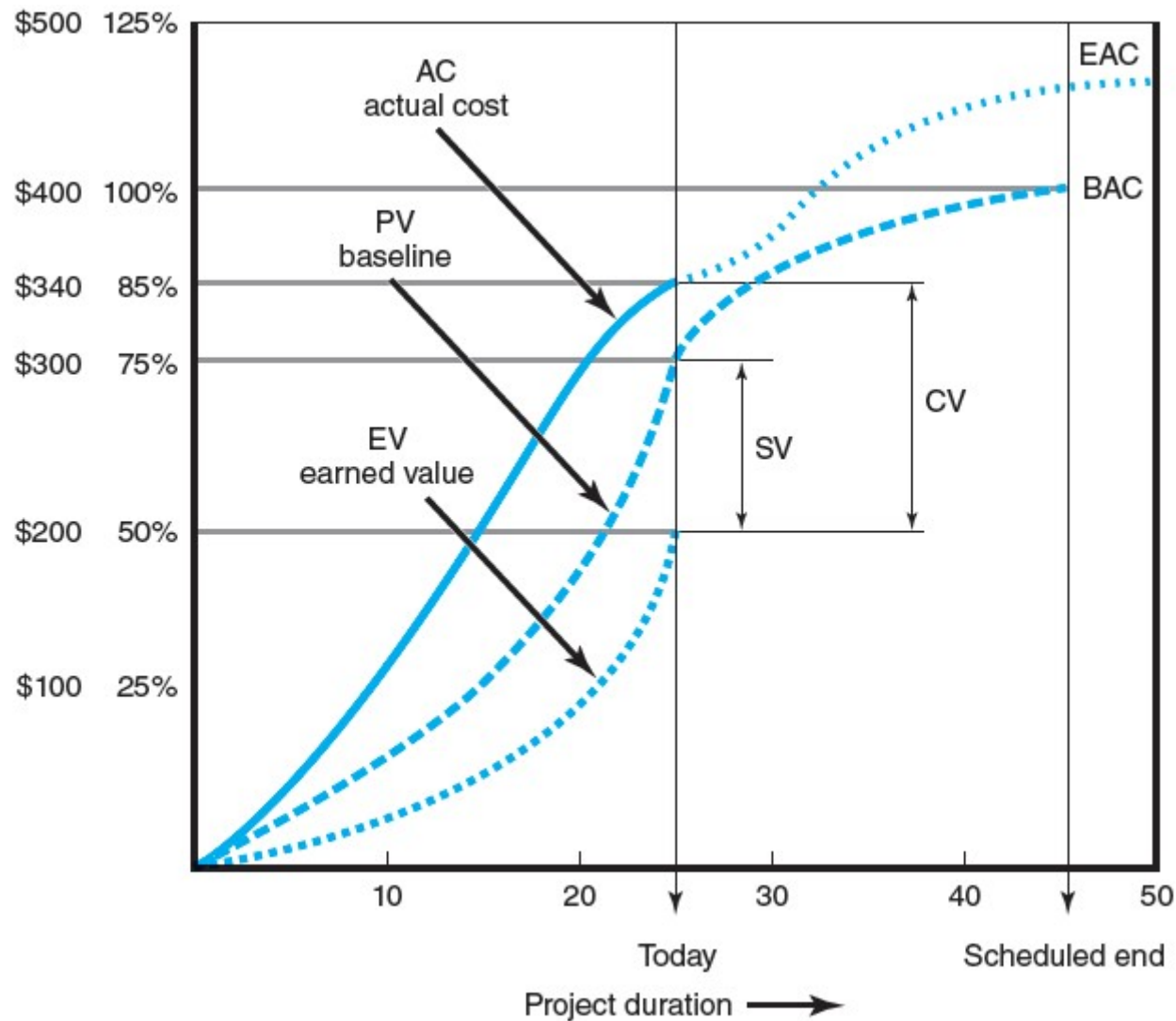


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