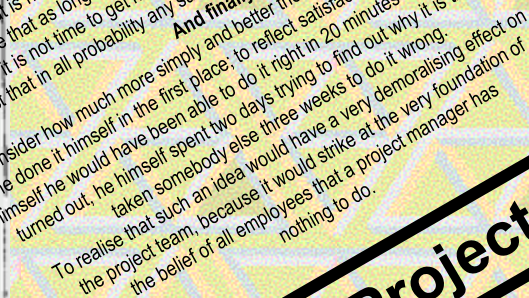


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but...perhaps a little
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Managing Projects with MSP J & EV Skills

Project

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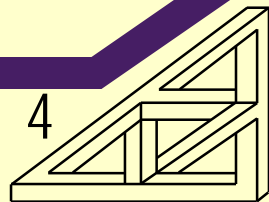
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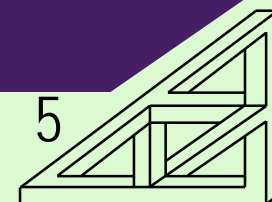
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- [The following courses are on http://learn.logicalmodel.net/](http://learn.logicalmodel.net/)
- A short introduction to a structured PM framework with tools & techniques for each step for people with a day job who need a useful basic toolkit
- #pm_ngt – A New generation of thinking because success in business needs more than just project management thinking. #pm_ngt integrates D4®, PRINCE2®, PMBoK-G® & Agile, Lean and 6σ but not the kitchen sink
 - One-Intro to The Holistic Approach and
 - Two-ValueFlashpoints to Backcasting and
 - Three-Product Breakdown to Estimates and
 - Four-Dependencies Critical Path to Schedule to Risk to Baselines and
 - Five-Sanction To Execution and Earned Value & Delivery and Program Office here.
- A Master Class in how to use MS Project including for Earned Value
- Advanced courses - Delivery of Value from change ('cos it isn't just project management)
 - Leading Complex Projects (complete but undergoing a revision to add more discussion of self-awareness in the Complex Adaptive Leader)
 - Assessment & Recovery of Troubled Projects
 - Estimating for Agile (& Other) environments
 - Master-Class in Risk Management
 - PRINCE2® exam-cram and PRINCE2-Agile® exam preparation
 - Draft PMBoK exam prep revision aid – pending release after PMI REP application processed
 - Project Governance



- By Simon Harris, PMP,
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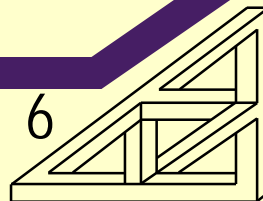




The Course's Purpose

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- This course owes its existence to my frustration at 1,000 page books that tell you almost nothing about how to run a project with Microsoft® Project (MSPJ)
 - My analogy is that the manual that comes with a new car tells you how to turn on the headlights but not how to drive the car to get the groceries
- I have attempted to integrate project parallels to 'getting the groceries', 'driving the car', 'being safe (having the lights on and seeing where you are going)' in this course
 - In project terms that is 'being able to define project objectives', entering the resulting breakdown structure, task dependencies and resource needs to plan achievement of objectives and then tracking achievement and replanning remaining steps until completed
- My mistakes: seeing everyone's perspective and thus realising what isn't obvious to others (or seeing what, with some distance is obviously an error) is impossible. IE this contains errors, flaws & weaknesses: tell me via MSPJ@logicalmodel.net and I'll fix them
- The course was written to be instructor led (more details later). Hopefully it is of value as self-study
- Please pass a copy or a link on to those you think would find it useful - thanks



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Navigation Central

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- The 'Home' button brings you straight back here!
- The 'Return' or 'GoBack' button steps back to last slide visited
 - That may be non-sequential (It also doesn't work in all tools – eg pdf & in some (iSpring) it chains back n back n back)
 - Its useful after hitting 'Home' to return to where you where
- These buttons take you to each module's start





To Get The Best From The Course...

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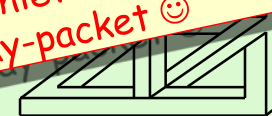
- Stop me when you “lose it”: You cannot focus all day
 - We will take frequent breaks
- There are no dumb questions: Ask questions as we go whenever you want to
 - Everyone has a Mulligan (or 10)
- If you’re frequently 1st to answer questions then slow down, add your view after you’ve heard from others (you’ll learn more)
- If anything is amiss give me feedback before the end, so I can fix it
- Your contributions: If you disagree please ARGUE!
PjM is too complex for one opinion to be correct
- What is said in the room stays in the room
- Be on time

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Since you are reading this version the best way for self-study may be to find a pal and do it as a pair, Do a chunk each day (perhaps at a pre-set time), Skim over the whole thing to get the structure (which is described soon) before working through methodically, Don't get stuck on topics that are hard when first encountered, skim them and return to them later (a 2nd or 3rd look is often easier to assimilate), Use a copy of MSPJ to really practice hands-on as you go (you can download a 60-day trial from Microsoft®), Re-Skim earlier lessons after completing latter ones Skim the whole thing after you have finished and monthly or quarterly after that (make a diary reminder)

MSPJ is a complex tool, PjM is a tough topic, this is a dense information source, be prepared to spend effort, recognise your progress is an achievement worth money in the pay-packet ☺

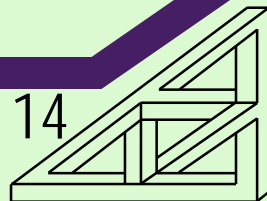




Using the Course

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- Your learning will be best if you continually try the capabilities as they are explained
 - Frequent interludes and exercises are included for experimenting
 - When basic skills are developed a complex case study is fully planned and tracked through 7 months of EV
 - The case-study evolves through out the course from entry of scope and resources through development of multiple baselines and tracking of progress and problems.
- All the MSPJ topic areas link directly to the supporting project management (PjM) skills taught in our pre-PMP level PjM courses
 - Our post-PMP level courses use complex adaptive systems principals: they depend on the foundations of good scope, cost and time management but are not MSPJ based

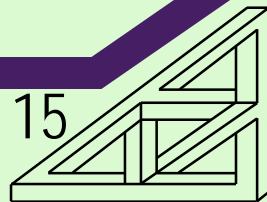




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- The course is intended to make you able to
 - Link REAL project management* to use of a typical planning tool
 - Navigate the Microsoft® Project® (MSPJ) landscape
 - Understand MSPJ's concepts, elements and how to usefully combine them
 - MSPJ has so many options my true aim to show you how to explore them
 - Create project base-lines in Microsoft® Project®
 - Set-up the project's calendars
 - Enter tasks with dependencies, enter resources with costs
 - Link task and resources into smoothed and levelled schedules
 - Track actual project progress against the base-line
 - Analyse and report project status, including using Earned Value
 - Amend project records to reflect intended responses to project status

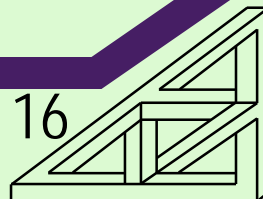




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- Lesson: 2 - Project Management context & the whole software based journey
- Lesson: 3 - Setting up the project in MSPJ
 - Adding project and tasks information
- Lesson: 4 - Building the network with dependencies
- Lesson: 5 - Entering resources and assigning resources to tasks
 - Resources, calendars and MSPJ's opaque scheduling logic
- Lesson: 6 - Finalising the schedule and presenting the baseline
 - Critical path, resource loadings and some reporting options
- Lesson: 7 - Tracking progress and amending assignments
 - Reporting with earned value and MSPJ reporting tools
- Lesson: 8 - Tracking the case study
- Lessons: 9 & 10 - Topics we have not covered & Summary and evaluation

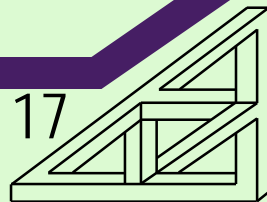




A Chapter by Chapter Explanation of The Course's Structure 1/8

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- Understanding What We Can and Can't See in MSPJ (circa 2 dozen slides)
 - Explanation of the multi-level 'sparse' relationships MSPJ holds internally between task, resources and time-line/ time-phased data
 - Details of how to display the data and relationships using views and tables, including customising what is displayed
 - How to record macros for repetitive tasks
 - How to access the 'Project Guide' and the Help system's important parts
 - Discussion of the need for standards as MSPJ's flexibility creates its own problems

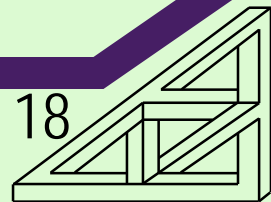




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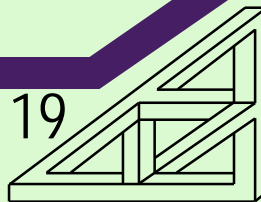
- Project Management Context For Software Tool Guidance (about 2 doz. slides)
 - The link to 'real' project management activities of socially oriented planning
 - A worked example of the FULL MSPJ planning and tracking life-cycle
 - While it lacks exploration of all the flexible options it is a cradle to grave illustration and context for the following 400 slide expansion of the process
 - This is where we really start to get hands on with the software (about slide 60)



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- Setting Up The Project in MSPJ (3 doz.)
 - Project management context
 - Defining the project, setting calendars
 - Modelling scope
 - Links to WBS, PBS, OBS, CBS...
 - How to select work-space elements
 - Moving, inserting & deleting tasks, using summary tasks
 - WBS coding, outline codes & lookup tables

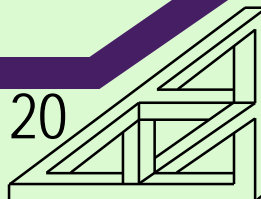




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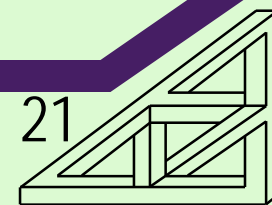
- Building The Network With Dependencies (4½ doz.)
 - The link to PjM activities of social, people centric planning
 - Creating & changing dependencies
 - Using hammock tasks and managing scheduling constraint
 - Entering task details and time quantities
 - Coping with effort driven, fixed duration, units or work
 - Case Study session to 'transcribe social planning's outputs' for the Lunar Imaging System's (LIS) dependencies to a Network Diagram with-in MSPJ



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- Entering Resources and Assigning To Tasks (6 doz.)
 - The link to 'real' PjM
 - Creating Resource Pools and assigning resources
 - Understanding MSPJ's 'Task Type': What it means to define a task as 'Fixed Duration' or 'Fixed Units' or set it to be 'Effort Driven'
 - The start of explaining a topic that frustrates people: MSPJ breaks a cardinal rule of HCI* design "Never change the operation of the interface without notice"
 - MSPJ treatment of tasks changes when the last of effort, duration and resource is applied – once you appreciate this issues may dissolve (or at least melt a little!)
 - Task Usage & Assignment Usage sheets
 - Part 1 of Untangling the complexities of MSPJ's task-types when editing task effort/ duration/ resources (MSPJ matches the subject's needs appropriately)
 - Case-Study: Setting up LIS resources, their costs, calendars and holiday dates and assigning them to the LIS tasks

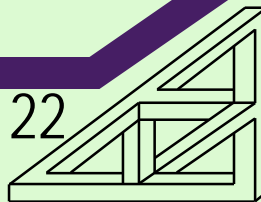




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- Finalising The Schedule and Presenting the Baseline (4 doz.)
 - The 'real' PjM link: understanding the significance of the critical path (the value of 'float')
 - How to create the critical path and display float in MSPJ
 - Getting to grip with MSPJ's (1st element of) REAL POWER: Manual and automatic levelling of constraints in resource availability
 - Displaying cumulative costs
 - Adding risk to the baseline and using Monte-Carlo analysis
 - Case Study: Levelling the LIS project's resources for 'real-world constraints'

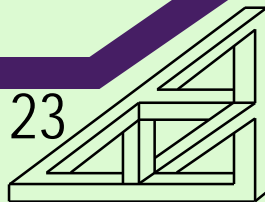




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- Resource Assignments Tracking Progress And Amending Assignments (4 doz.)
 - The 'real PjM' link: the point at which we move from mostly 'social planning' to mostly tool based resource manipulation
 - Deciding what level to track progress at: the choice between project level and detailed level
 - How to track at assignment level
 - Tracking costs and status and using filters (Part 2 of 'Untangling task-type complexities')

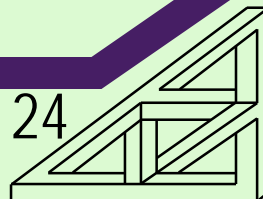




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- Using Earned Value In MSPJ (3 doz.)
 - Earned value is 'free' in MSPJ as soon as a baseline is created!
 - MSPJ also allows calculation of staff member's EV! (scary but great for improving estimating and calculating bonuses [and firing non-performers*!])?
 - The myriad of reporting options available
 - Using export (and import) facilities to move data, including Dynamic Data Exchange(DDE) EG between Excel and MSPJ (EG put the estimating data in Excel. Maintain it via EVM & it will adjust MSPJ values for effort & duration!)
- Tracking the Case-Study through 7 months of issues and progress (4 doz.)
 - The details of 'progress reports' to be entered to MSPJ and the results you could (should) get
- Course Summary (1/2 doz.)
 - Further reading, Summary & Evaluation, Where we started: Review Objectives





My Assumption

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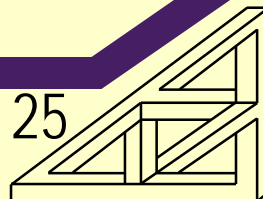
- A typical reader of these materials should have
 - Real-world experience of projects
 - Not necessarily as project manager
 - Is probably PMP, IPMA-D or -C or PRINCE2® Registered practitioner or is at equivalent level
- My assumption is that you know **why** and **how** to use techniques such as workshops and tools such as white-boards and Product Breakdown Structure (PBS) and WBS **outside a classroom**, that you know what the critical path is, how to use float as a type of 'resource' & appreciate the need for 'levelling'
 - If you are unsure of how to follow the steps and use the tools noted above then courses covering those skills is available at www.logicalmodel.net. You need It, not this one first
 - If you are unsure of **why** to use these tools in reality then my white papers on the use of PBS/ WBS, 'Doing risk', Post-It™ planning and more can be found by search 'simon harris' on the web-sites of the [American Society for The Advancement of Project Management](http://www.aspm.org) and [PM Today](http://www.pmtoday.com)

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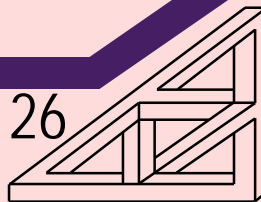
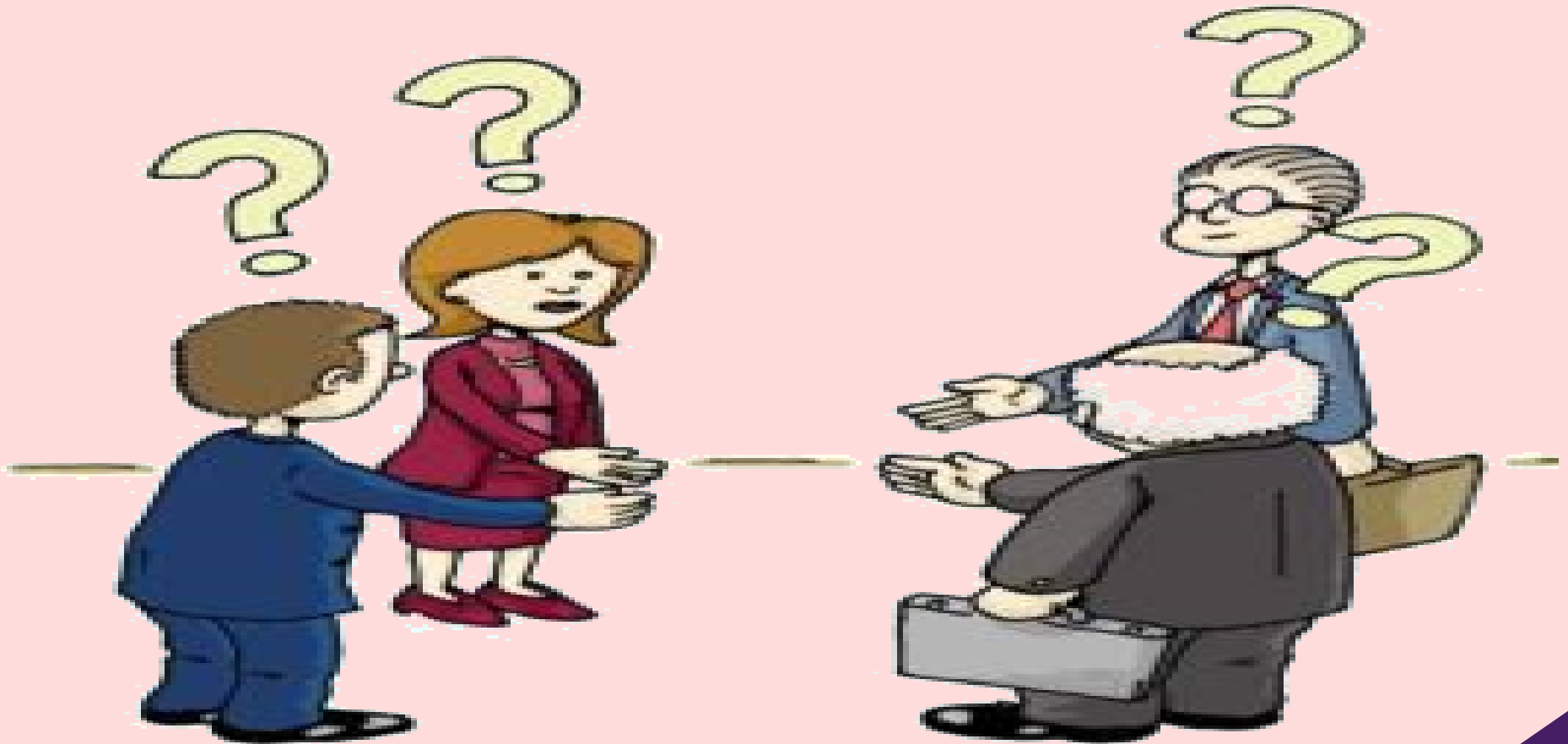
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Who Are We All?

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- Name, Role and Organisation: Telling others about yourself

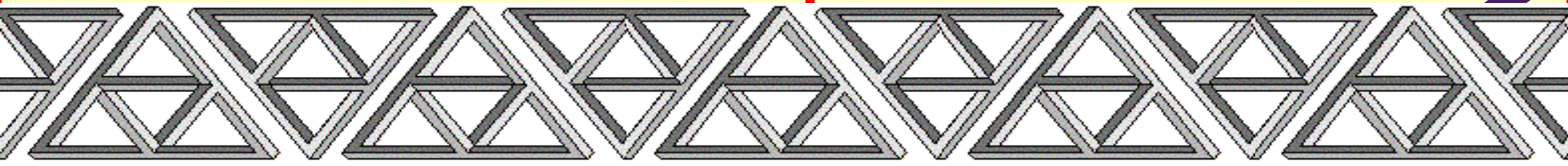




Who Are Logical Model Ltd (LML)?

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- A niche consultancy that delivers training and consultancy around control and governance of project based benefits realisation
 - LML's purpose is to improve the project management state of the art through popularisation of what is common-sense (which I suggest is 'obvious after it is observed' not necessarily 'is widely-known')
- Consultancy & training in
 - Basic structured project management
 - Tools and techniques for advanced project & programme management
 - Leading complex projects
 - Recovery of struggling projects
 - Creating & running PMOs
 - Project risk and quality management
 - Using Earned Value Analysis
 - Board briefings on project control & governance
- Continued...
 - Dimension Four® Benefits Realisation Method training and consultancy
 - PRINCE2® use in the real-world & PRINCE2® Exam preparation (but only if you insist on exams as we believe they create the wrong focus which ends-up destroying the value to a business)
 - Implementing IT Governance using the CobiT® Framework
 - Implementing Benefits Realisation & Lessons Learned processes

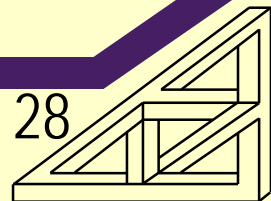




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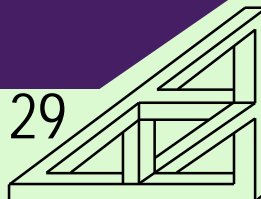
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- This is a complete training course in how to use Microsoft™ Project®! for personal, individual development!!
 - No catches everything needed is within this file
- If you want to use this intellectual property as a commercial offering that's fine too as long as you cut me in ☺ I don't want much !!
 - Pre-arranged commercial use removes this notice, gives you animated slides that build procedures step-by-step, also step-by-step exercise files, instructor notes, suggested time-line for delivery and support
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- Lesson 1

Lesson 1: Understanding What We Can and Can't See in MSPJ

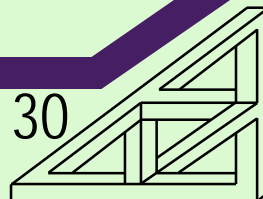




Objectives

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- Understand what we see when we open MSPJ ☺
- Appreciate where planning standards fit with planning tools
- Understanding what we can't see
 - MSPJ's internal data model and data relationships
- Discuss how to follow the course notes while playing with the tool
- See the whole process for using MSPJ in 1 slide
- Learn to manipulate Views and Tables and Timescales
 - How to tailor what we see to match what we want
- Access the Help system
 - Find out what is different in later version of MSPJ
- Capture repetitive actions in macros and assign to a tool-bar button
 - Open files as copies (to circumvent single undo issues)



Opening MSPJ: Understanding What We See

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- Open the program by clicking the task-bar's MSPJ icon

The screenshot shows the Microsoft Project 2003 interface. The taskbar at the top has the MSPJ icon circled in red. The main window is titled 'Microsoft Project - Project1'. The interface includes a menu bar, a toolbar, a 'Getting Started' pane on the left, and a main workspace. The workspace contains a Gantt chart and a task table. The task table has columns for Task Name, Duration, Start, Finish, and a timescale. The Gantt chart shows a task bar. The workspace is split into two panes by a vertical split-screen handle.

Labels and their corresponding components:

- Active View Bar**: Located at the top left of the workspace.
- Undo ONLY 1 Level! In 2003 more in 2007 etc**: Points to the Undo button in the toolbar.
- Task, Resource or Assignment Information (context driven)**: Points to the context menu in the task table.
- Sheet - Task table (Many layouts)**: Points to the task table.
- Goto Task (Very useful!)**: Points to the Goto Task button in the toolbar.
- Chart Area**: Points to the Gantt chart area.
- Timescale**: Points to the timescale at the bottom of the Gantt chart.
- Workspace**: Points to the main workspace area.
- Column Header**: Points to the header row of the task table.
- Split-Screen handle**: Points to the vertical handle between the Gantt chart and the task table.
- Row Header**: Points to the header row of the task table.
- Split-Screen handle**: Points to the horizontal handle between the Gantt chart and the task table.
- Formatting Toolbar**: Points to the formatting toolbar in the task table.
- Guide & Help Pane**: Points to the 'Getting Started' pane on the left.

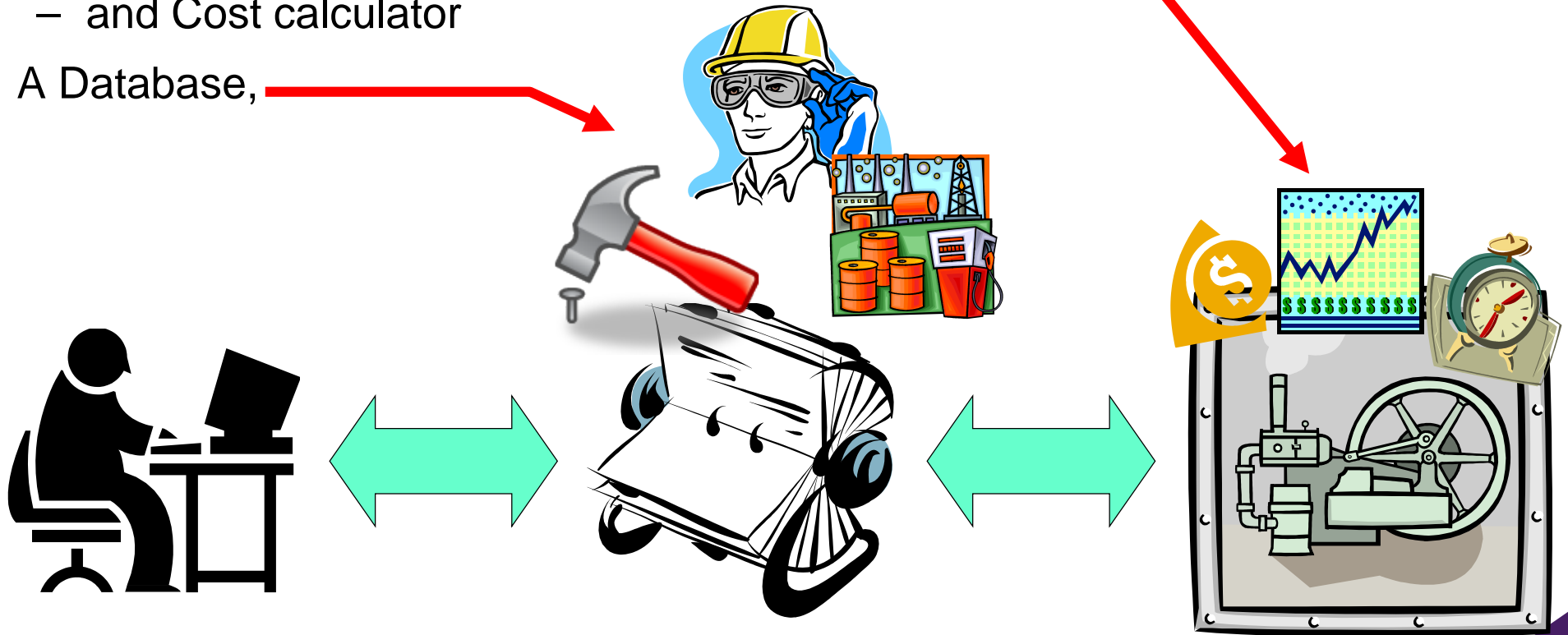
The way to learn this tool is play with it: But you can't watch two screens at once!

What Is Microsoft Project (MSPJ)?

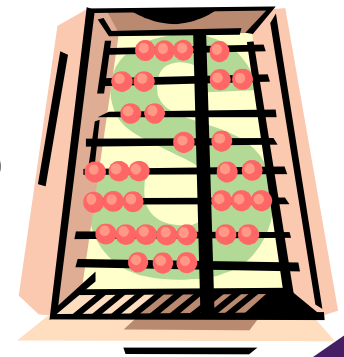
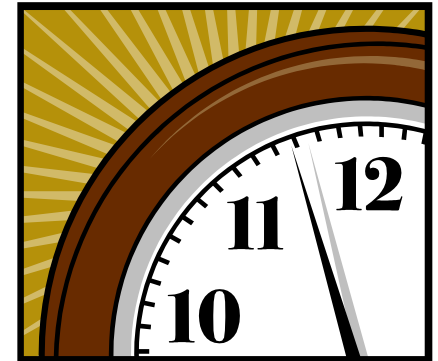
What We Can't See

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- A Display (& Reporting) Interface
- A Scheduling engine
 - and Cost calculator
- A Database,



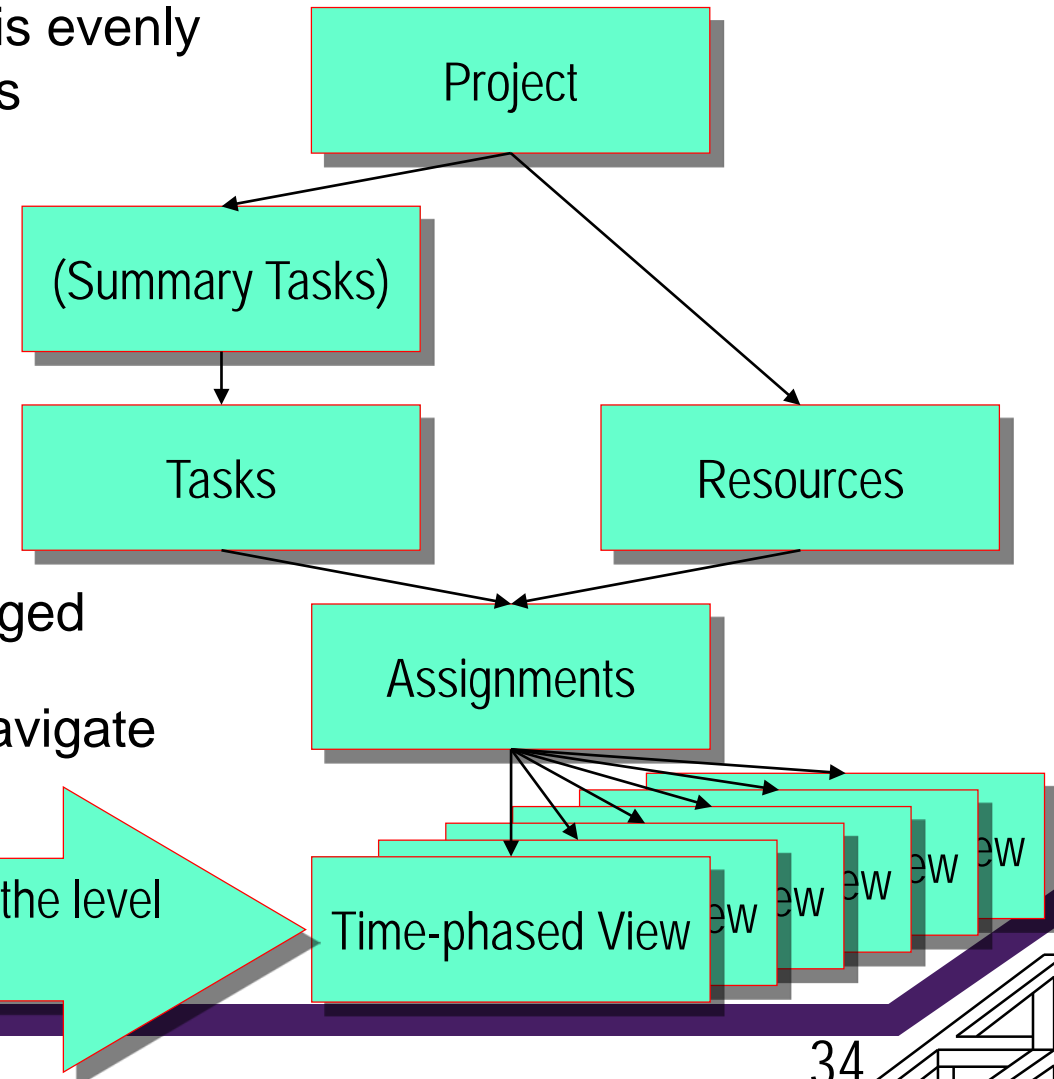
- MSPJ's view of the project is “as at now”, it is a “this minute” view
 - No history or audit trail is maintained of the evolving project status
 - You can save snap-shots: MSPJ provides 11 baselines & 11 ‘interim plans’ (Task Start/Finish dates)
 - You can “set now” as any date you like for data entry
- What you see is always the result of all edits and calculations made to the MSPJ database so far
 - Many calculations are performed “now” (EG EV) without explicit request
 - Some may be set to be performed on request (EG levelling!)
 - The total set of calculations can be set to be “on request”
 - Changes made by calculations often invisible* (& wrong)



The Data Hierarchy

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- Any assignment data that is entered is evenly spread when viewing any lower levels
- Any assignment data that is entered is aggregated when viewing any higher levels
- The relationship between duration, effort (*Work*) and assigned resource (*Units*) is reapplied to calculate one term whenever another term is changed
- The relationships are often hard to navigate



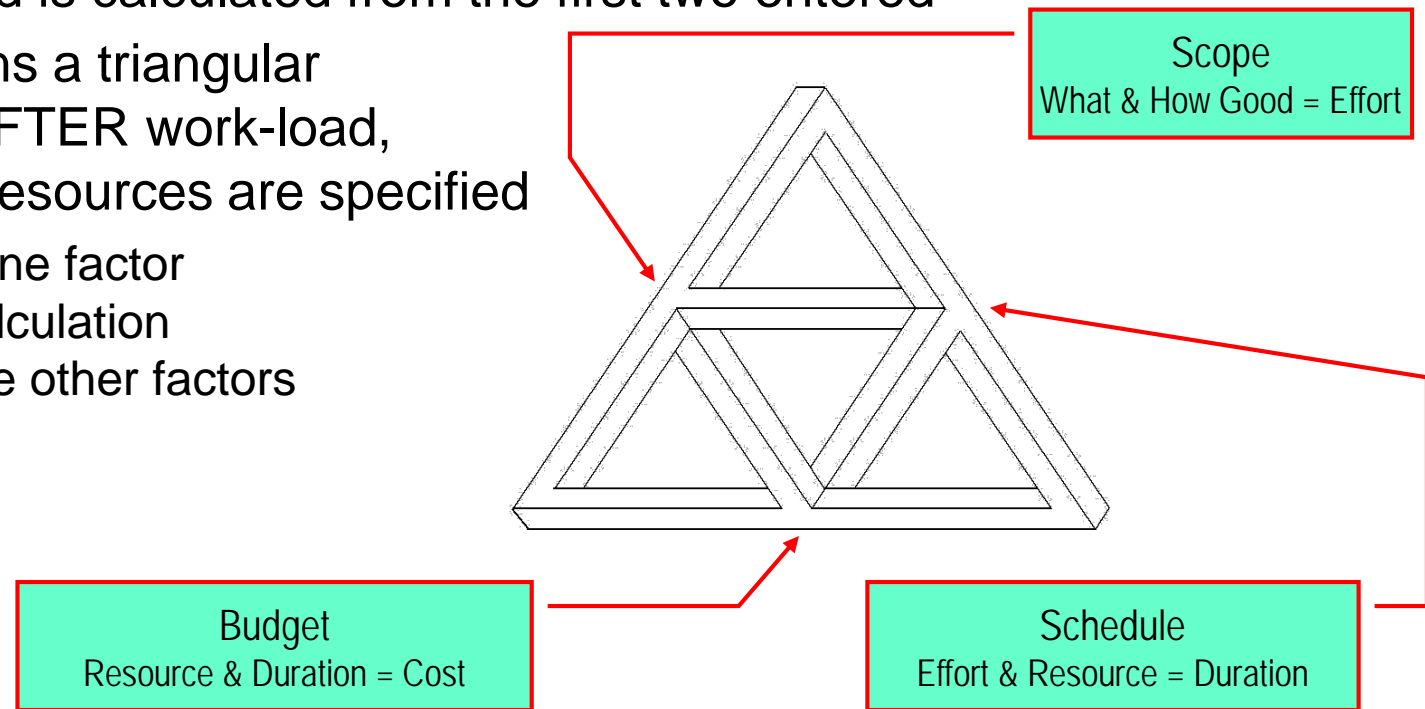
If you want reliable results this is the level at which to work



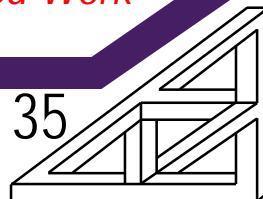
Data Relationships

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- MSPJ starts and keeps a link between *duration*, *resources* and *work* data
 - Initially the third is calculated from the first two entered
 - MSPJ maintains a triangular relationship AFTER work-load, duration and resources are specified
 - Change to one factor causes recalculation of one of the other factors



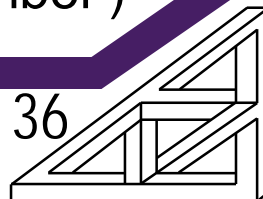
- Not all task durations vary based on the resources assigned
 - Tasks that change duration if resources change are '*Effort-Drive*' aka *Fixed-Work*




MSPJ's Flexibility Is A Source Of Problems

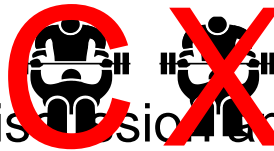
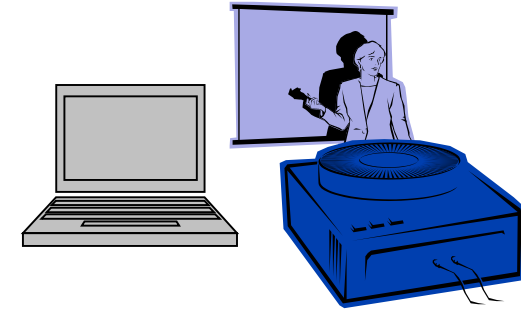
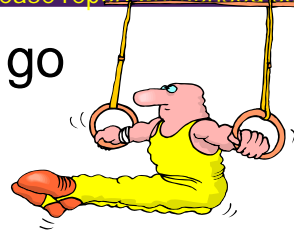
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- MSPJ's power and flexibility means standards must be applied if consistent results are to be achieved
 - Everything you want to do can be done in 6 ways (at least)
 - Every way has different side-effects and consequences for later steps
 - Many key information needs are not explicitly spelt out
- Was MSPJ created by programmers? Surely not by project managers!
 - **EG-1** 'start on' projects are scheduled ASAP while 'finish by' are scheduled ALAP by default
 - ALAP is great for JIT (Just in Time procurement)
 - Bad (worst?) approach for deadline driven projects that MUST 'finish-by'
 - **EG-2** Duration not **Work** is included in most data entry tables and forms
 - In most cases duration should be derived from work / resources!
- More as we explore (MSPJ versions after 2003 have options to be 'dumber')



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- You must try-out what we talk about as we go
 - Learn by playing 
- You can't look at two screens at once!
 - Follow what is on the projector and try on the lap-top
 - Ask for things to be repeated!
- Working in pairs is to encourage discussion and reinforcement
 - It isn't to economise on hardware!!
- Software isn't the latest version because:
 - MSPJ has been getting "friendlier" but not really more capable
 - What we cover is always upward compatible
 - Typically organisations are a mix of versions
 - Few people buy the latest upgrade just because it is released





New Versions

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- 2007 adds
 - Multi-level undo!!,
 - Change Hi-lighting!!!
 - Ease of use enhancements to many standard capabilities
 - Lots of Project Server enhancements
- 2010 adds
 - ‘User controlled scheduling’
 - Because people find auto-schedule too hard to control
 - Support for top-down and incomplete planning!
 - Team planner with swim-lanes!!!
 - The beginning of the end for Gantt charts – at last ☺
 - Ribbon user interface and other ‘easier/ faster’ user interface tweaks ☹
 - Easier fancy formatting





The Steps To Create The Baseline

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- Either 2. or B. or any of the detail of 1 could follow

“Create a project file”

- 1) Create a project file (open MSPJ or click File | New)
 - Set project start date (details of all steps soon)
 - Set working time calendar
 - Create customised calendars
 - Set defaults (hours per day, charge rates etc)

2. Enter the list of tasks
 - Link tasks for dependencies
 - Enter work (effort) required*

- B. Link to or Enter the list of resources
 - Set customised resource calendars
 - Set staff and equipment rates
 - Set material costs

- iv. Link Tasks and Resources
 - Set customised task calendars
 - Correct MSPJ's guesses at duration and work
- v. Display the Critical Path and Resource Over or Under use
 - Reschedule or re-assign work to fit available resources
- vi. Save a baseline (Enable Earned Value Assessment)

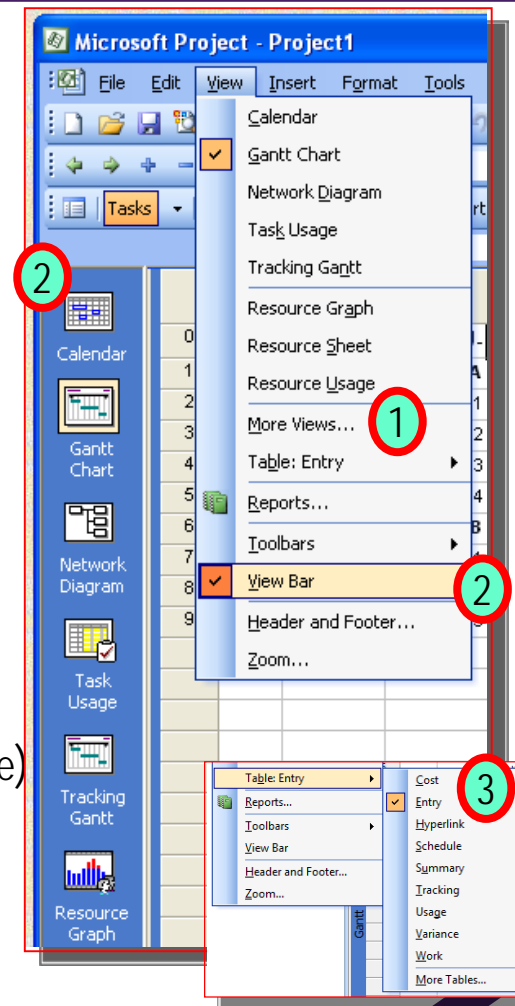




MSPJ Database and Views

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- MSPJ's Project file is a database – it contains:
 - Entered, calculated, aggregated and distributed information for tasks, resources and assignment
 - The workspace displays a 'view' (25 default options)
 - Views select and format information from database records
 - Views may be a sheet containing a table (containing rows & columns) or graph or a form or a combination
 - Forms and tables are used for data entry as well as display
 - What a view shows can be filtered, grouped, sorted and reformatted, also added to, reduced or rearranged
- 1 To see the full set *View / More views*
 - 2 For a permanently on-screen list *View / View Bar* (Not my preference)
 - 3 *Table menu* displays 8 tables commonly needed in context
 - To add others *View / More Views / Select / Edit / Show In Menu*
 - Set the default with *Tools / Options / View-tab / Default View*





Accessing & Changing Views & Tables 1/2

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- Views provide pre-made collections of tables & graphs & forms
 - Tables are ready-made collections of columns

1

2

2=

Mechanism to re-set changed views (and share customised ones)

Quick-access via the table's top right-hand corner

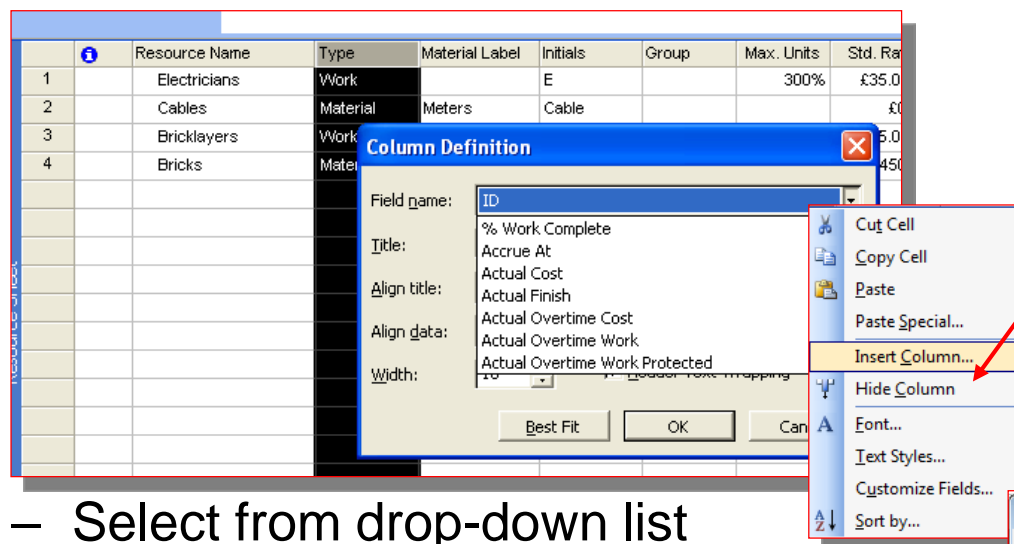




Accessing & Changing Views & Tables 2/2

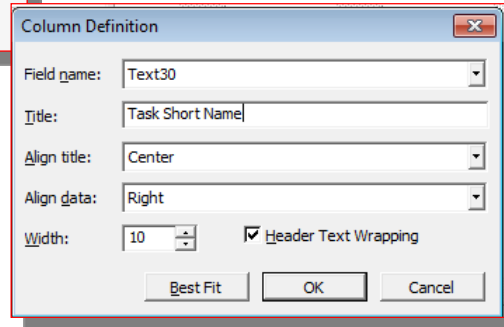
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- You can add (delete) your own columns and tables
 - Right-Click* a column heading



Remove a column by highlighting it and hit Delete
or Right-Click and Click Hide Column
Or drag its width to zero
Removal is only from the display
NOT the database!

- Select from drop-down list
 - Provide title, width and alignment
- Edit columns by *double-clicking* their header
 - Change column's title and or contents

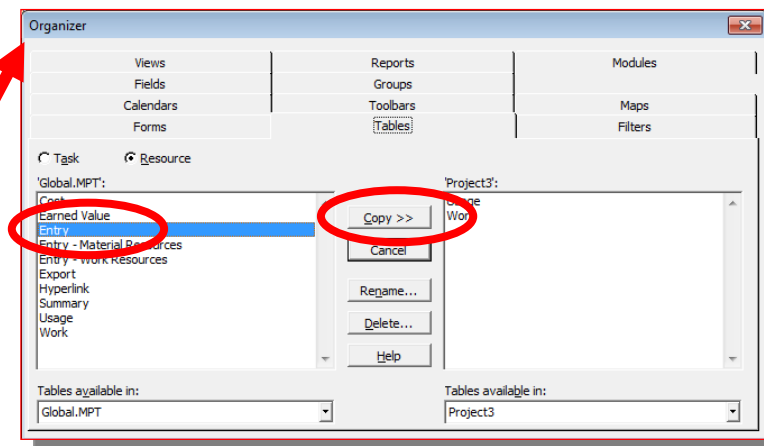
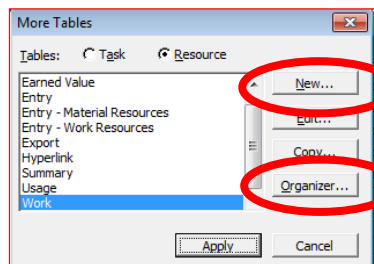




Changing Tables

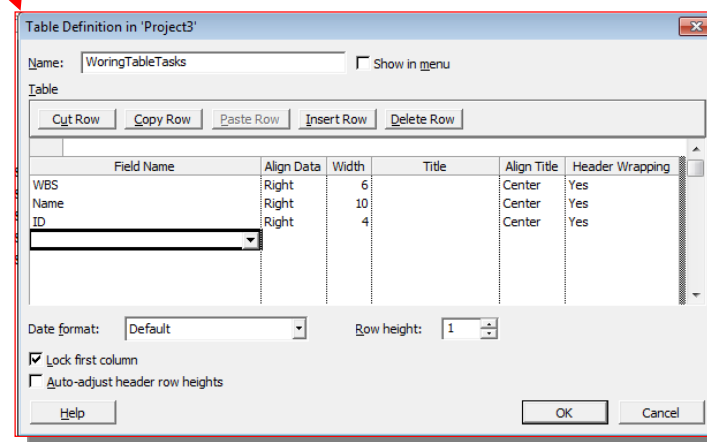
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- Any time that you insert, resize or delete a column it affects the definition in the project-file!
 - Reset by copying from the Global.MPT*



- Create a new view to apply edits to?
 - Needs 3 columns to enable 'insert before'
 - I call mine TailoringTable**

- View | Tables | More tables... | Export* is nearest you can get to a 'complete' view



* Recall the route to show this window is 'View | Table: SomeName | More Tables'

** See any of the course practice files. I (try to remember to) modify this view rather than the default views such as Task-Entry

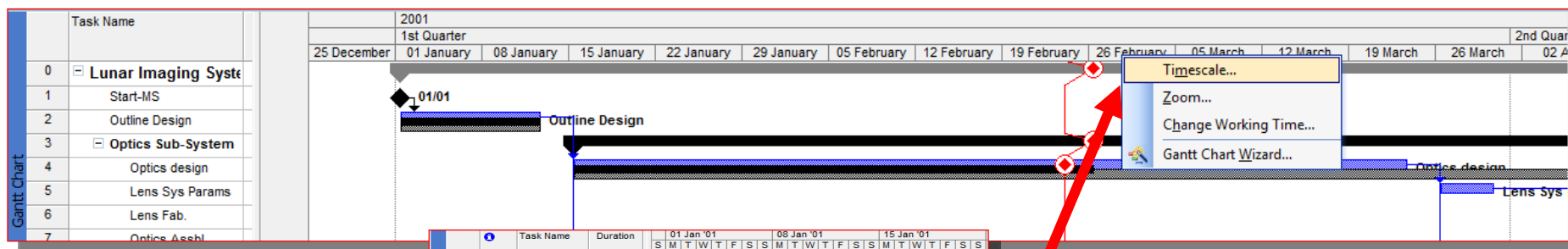




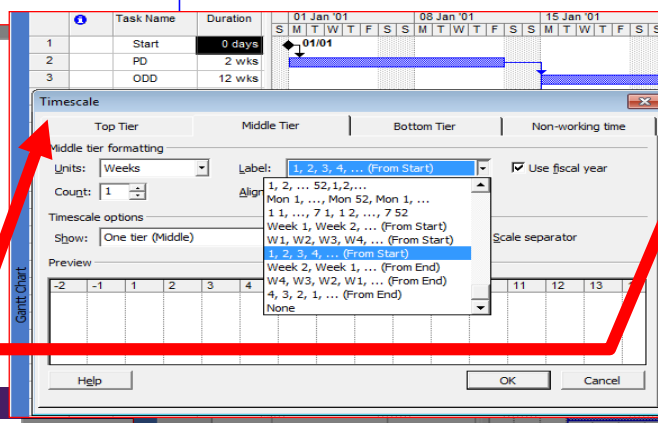
Setting Appropriate Time-Scales

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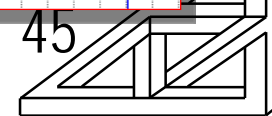
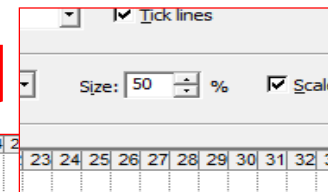
- Assignments of resources to tasks are time-phased (have a start and a duration)
 - When tasks & resources have been entered to the MSPJ database then resources can be assigned to tasks
 - May need to configure the work-space's time-scale at this point
 - Timeline can have three levels of labelling



- *Right-Click* the timeline / *Timescale...* for options



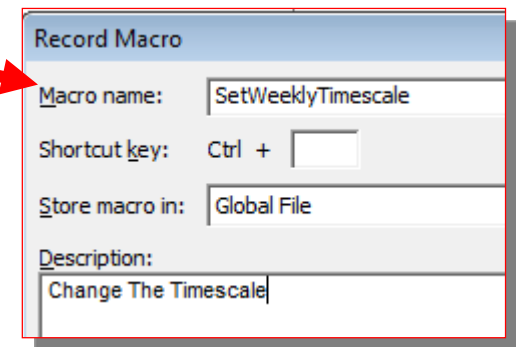
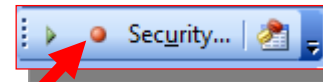
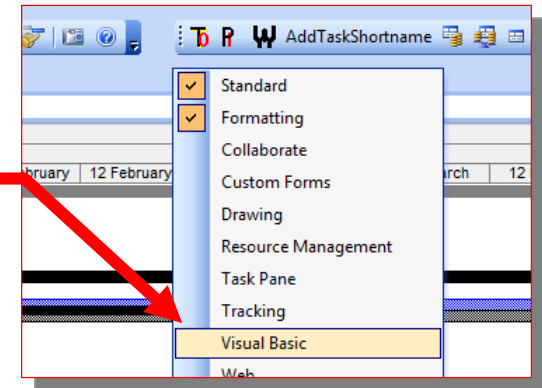
One, two or three tiers



Some Automation

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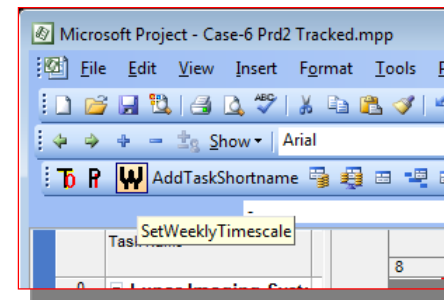
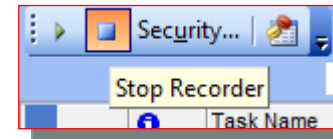
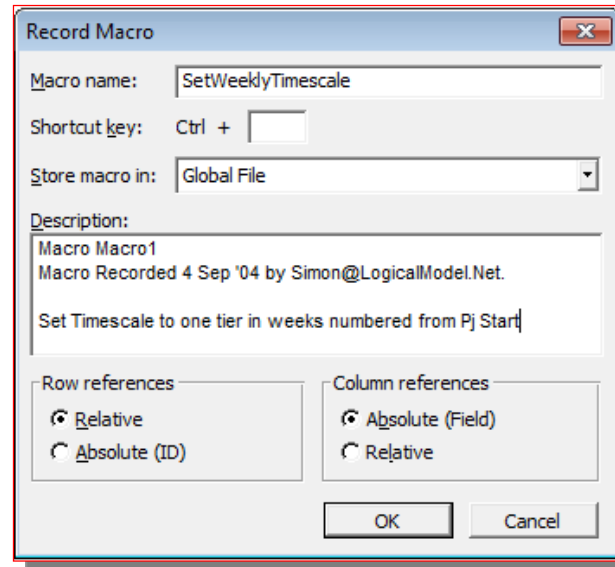
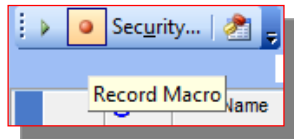
- MSPJ includes Visual Basic for Applications and 2003 has a 'macro recorder'*
 - Recorded (& hand-written) macros easily assigned to toolbar buttons
- *Tools | Toolbars | Visual Basic* or *Right Click toolbar background*
- Enable the *Visual Basic* tool bar
 1. Click the red *Record* button
 2. Give the macro a name
 3. Perform required action
 4. Stop the recorder
 5. Open any toolbar
 6. Select the macro and drag to the tool bar
(Detail on next few slides)



Example Macro on A Button: Set Timescale 1/2

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- My preferred view is to show the project timeline in weeks
 - Numbered from Project-Week-1
 - Setting this on every change of view is an annoyance
 - A solution is to assign the operations to a button on a toolbar

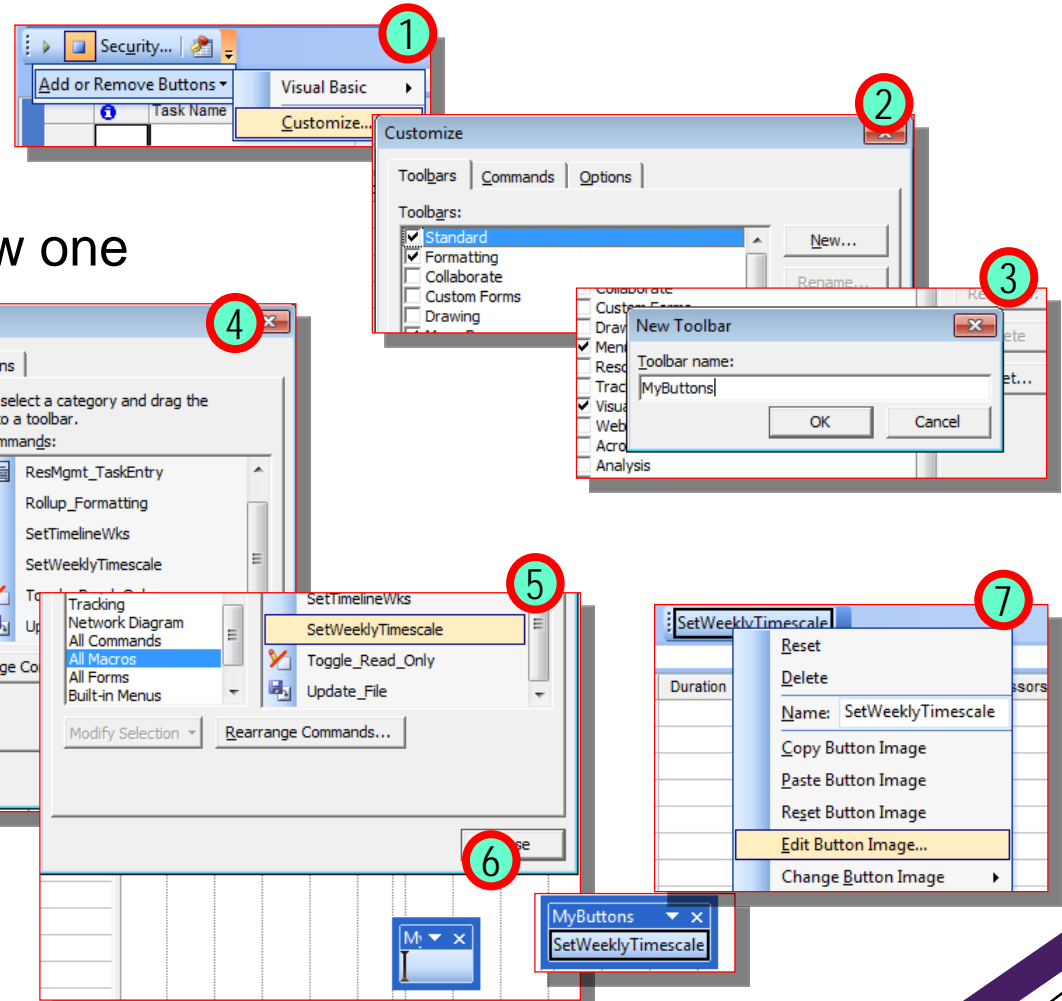


Example Macro on A Button: Set Timescale 2/2

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- Next put the macro on a button

- Click any toolbar's triangle and select customise
- Select a toolbar or create a new one
- Select the *Commands-tab* and scroll to *All Macros*
- Drag the macro to the toolbar
- Right-Click the new button and 'draw' a button image if desired





Project Guide & Help Pane

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- Many activities can be aided by Help & the Project Guide

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Tasks

Plan and schedule your project's tasks by clicking an item below. Clicking an item displays tools and instructions for completing that step.

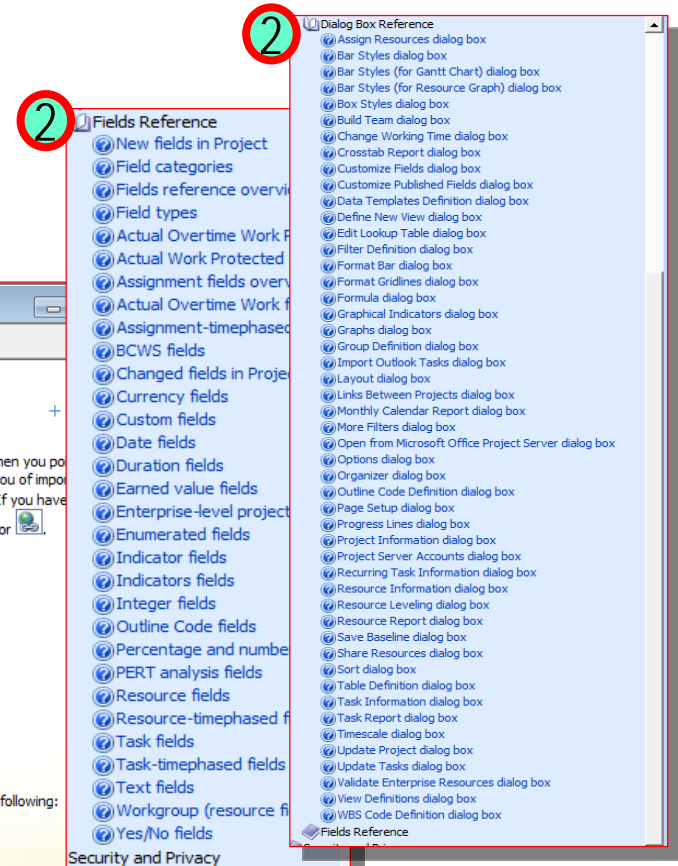
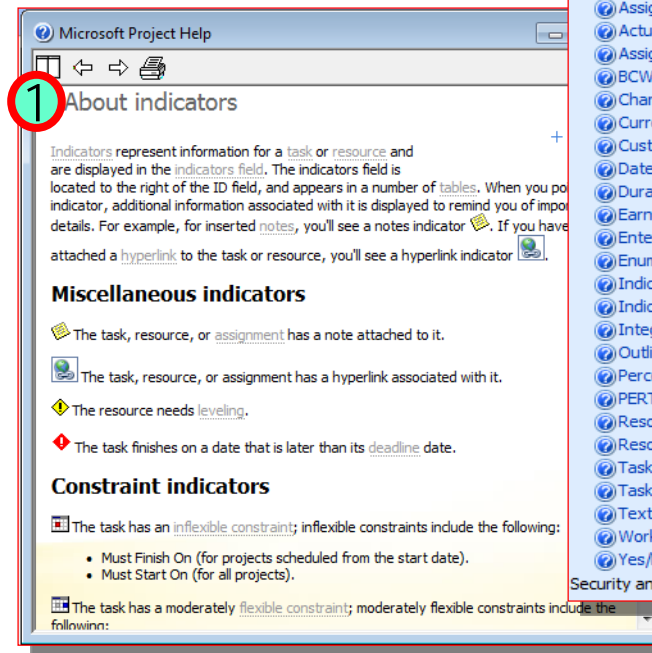
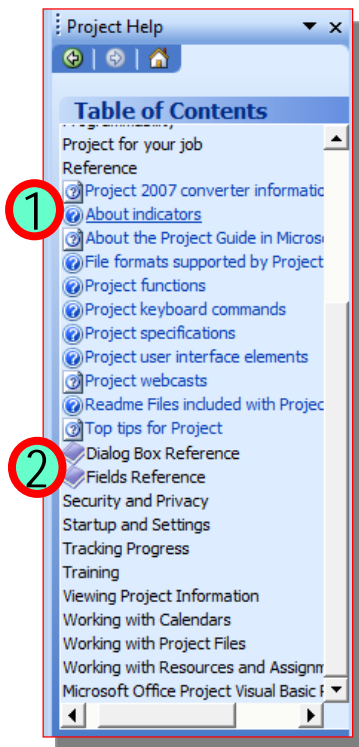
- Define the project
- Define general working times
- List the tasks in the project
- Organize tasks into phases
- Schedule tasks
- Link to or attach more task information
- Add columns of custom information
- Set deadlines and constrain tasks
- Identify risks to the project

Right-Click Tool-Bar background

Help's Reference Section Explains Fields (and More)

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- Key elements of help are *Help / Table of Contents / Reference / ...*
 - Indicators
 - Dialogue and Field reference



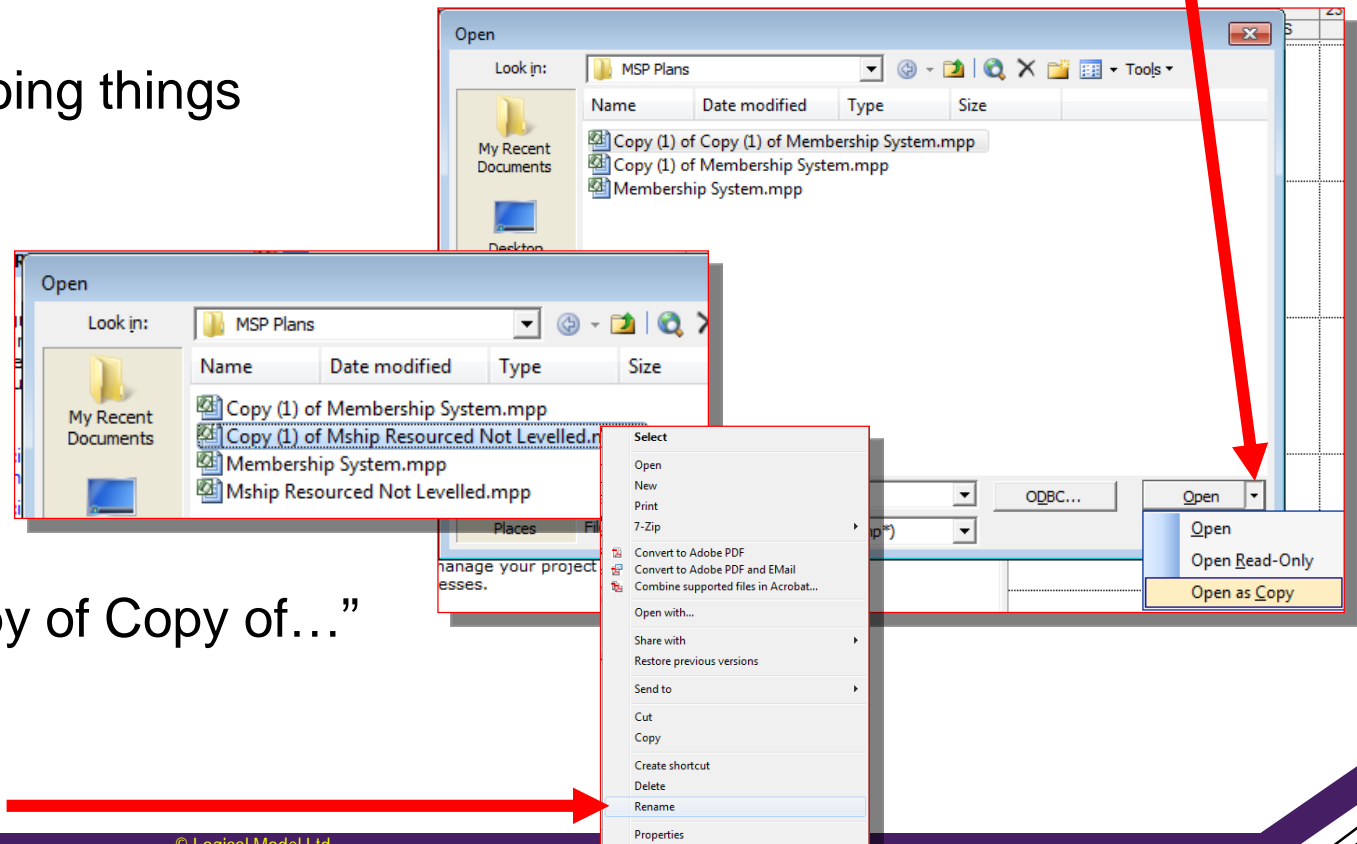
Saving and Opening

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- Common that developing the plan happens in several sessions
 - When re-opening the file consider using “*Open as Copy*”

- MSPJ has ways of doing things that are irreversible
 - Less an issue after 2003

- Easy to rename “Copy of Copy of...” before next open
 - *Right-click / Rename*

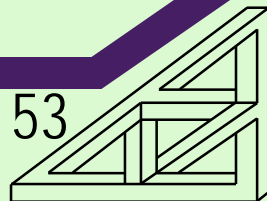




Summary

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- The internal 'sparse' data hierarchy allows entry at any level
 - Reliably use of MSPJ needs adoption of some standardised ways of working
 - Task plus resources plus assignments versus timeline = costed schedule
- View data entered and calculated through views and tables
- These materials are provided for the use of individuals studying for their own professional development
 - If you encounter them in a context where a reasonable person might conclude someone is using them in a money-making setting: E.g. on a training course, provided on a company network or from your boss then please email details to MSPJ@LogicalModel.Net and I will treat your information as confidential AND share any fees I manage to levy
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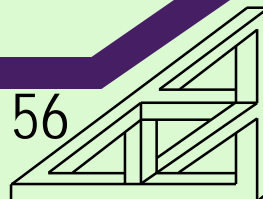
- Lesson 2

Lesson 2: Project Management Context For Software Tool Guidance

Objectives

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- View and try-out the steps in the whole MSPJ journey in three slides
 - Create a base-lined project plan and track from beginning to end
- Summarise the whole planning process in a single picture to guide future steps
- There is a more extensive project management course available as a free eBook from www.logicalmodel.net
 - There are PMP, PRINCE2® and prince2 Agile courses and more

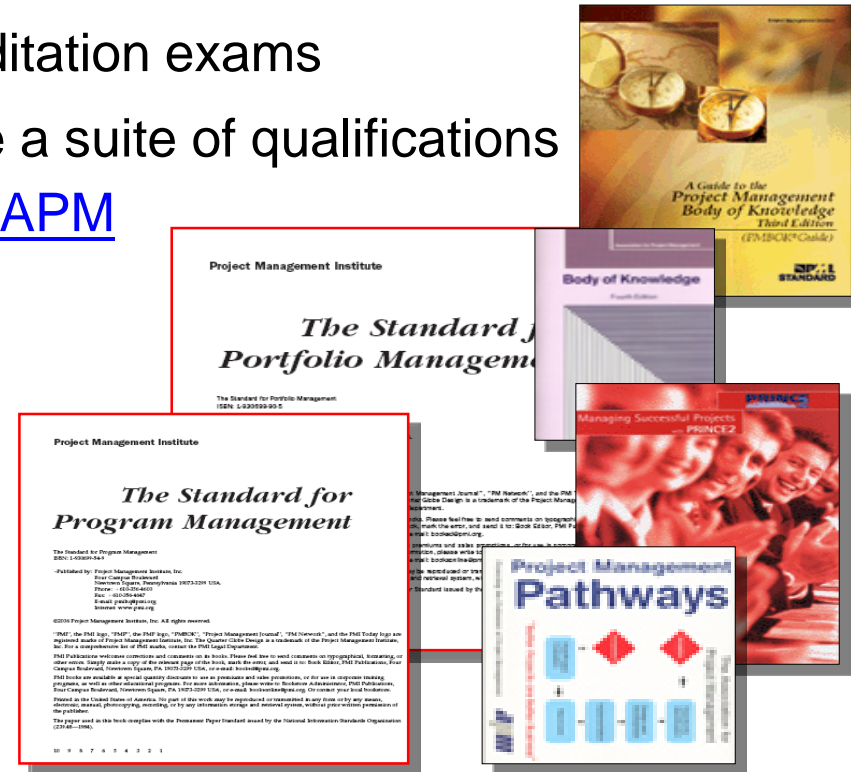




Project Management Guidance

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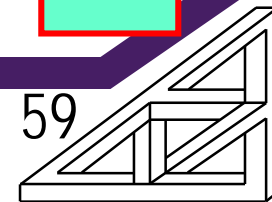
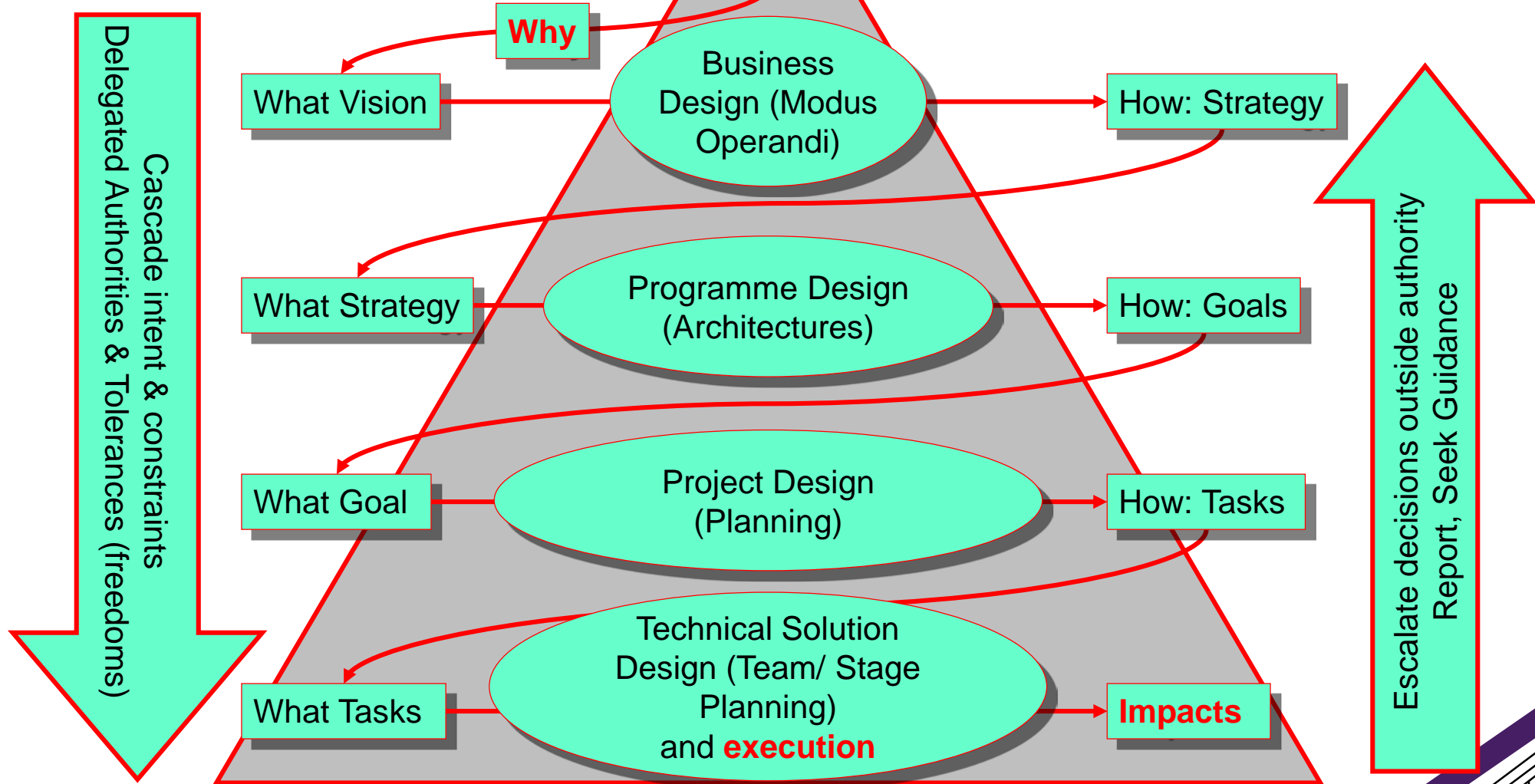
- PMI publish the PMBOK and run PMP accreditation exams
- APM publish the APMBOK & Pathways, have a suite of qualifications
 - Possibly the broadest advice. Part of the IAPM
- Others
 - PRINCE*, ISEB & other (EG NVQ)
 - Major consultancies/ corporate internal methods
- Set-out the topics (EG Scope), tools (EG WBS) and techniques (EG How to state risks) to manage project activity
- Software (like MSPJ) facilitates documentation of planning outputs
 - (only) Mechanises the calculations and amendments



Projects Must Link & Escalation

Mission, Delegation, in Decision Making

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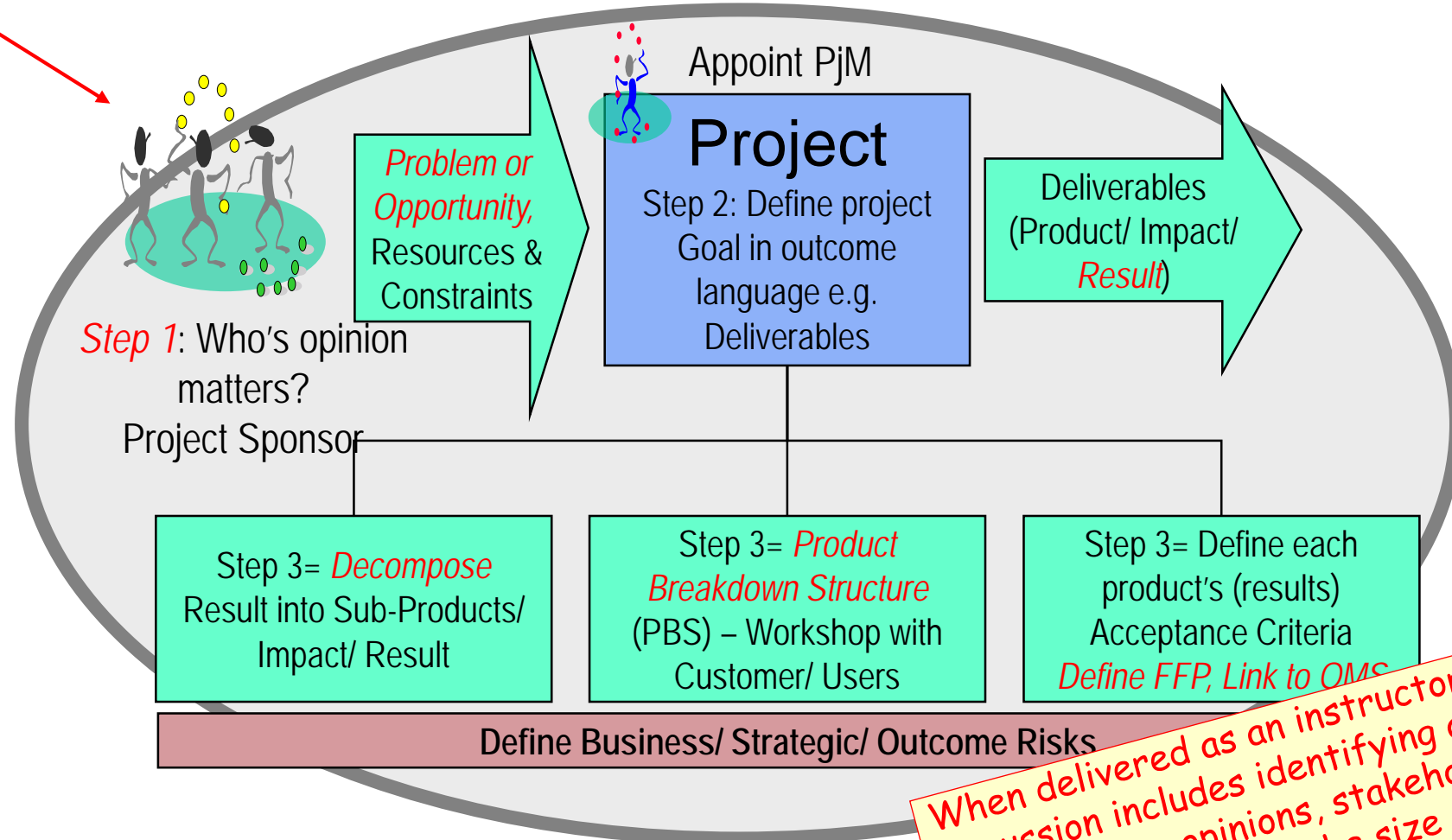


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The Planning Process

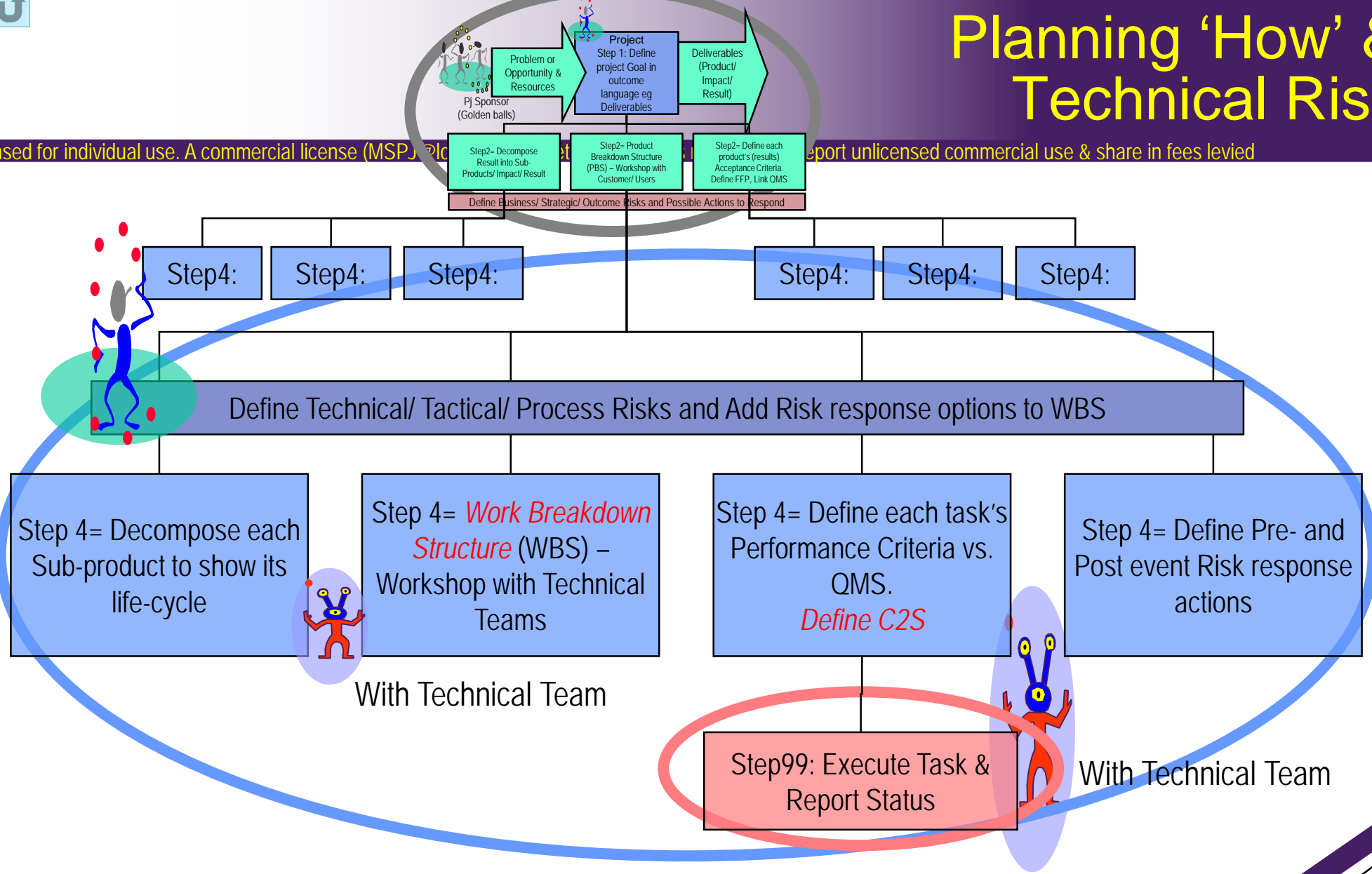
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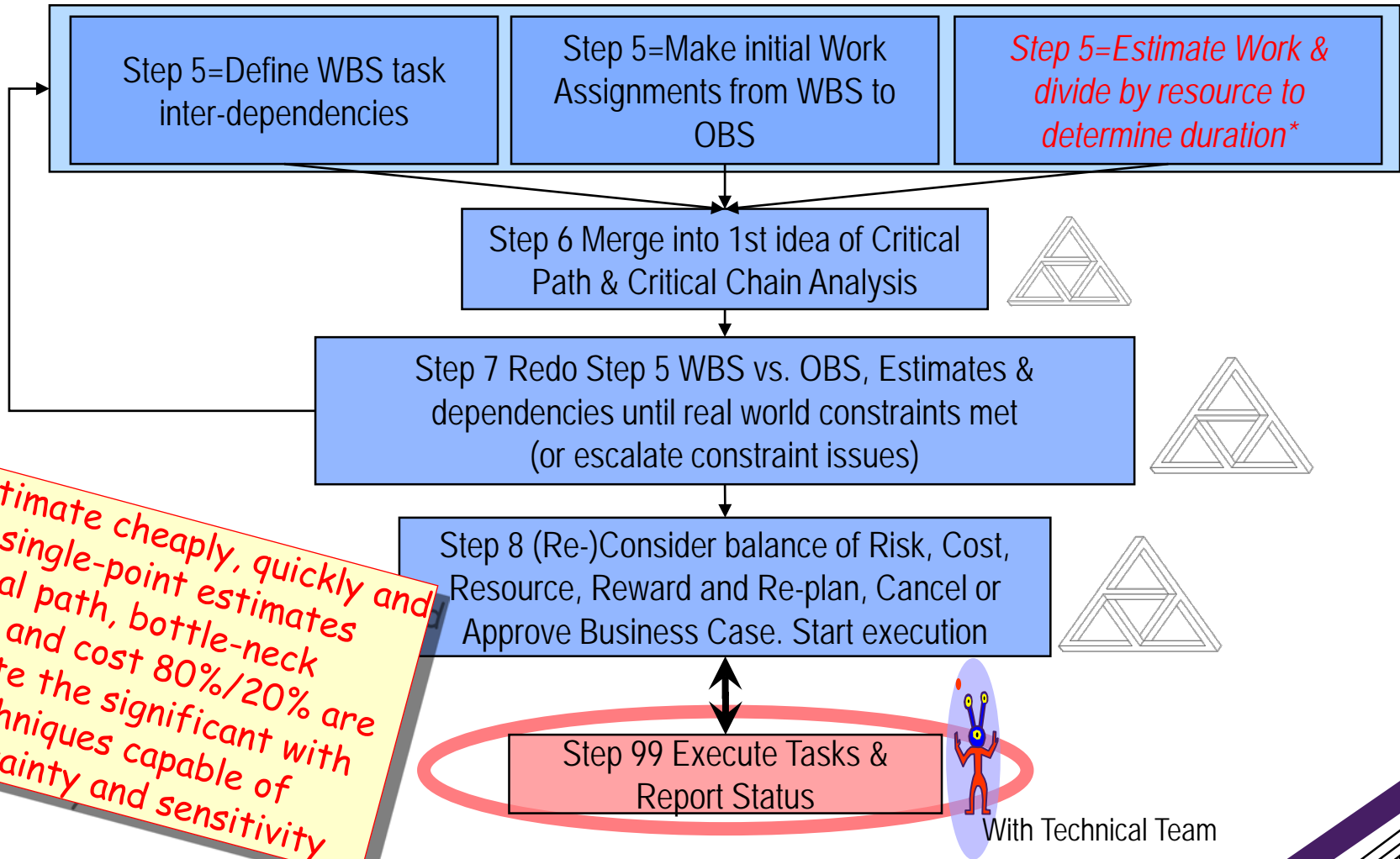
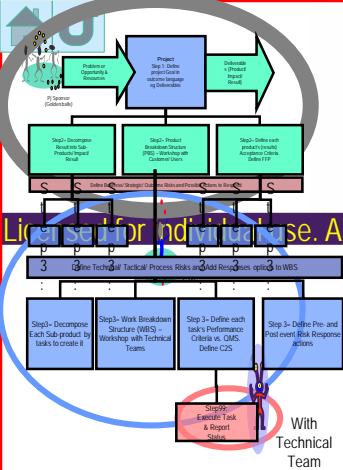
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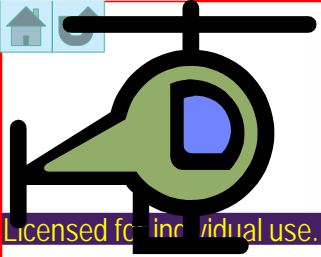
The Planning Process Arriving At A Baseline

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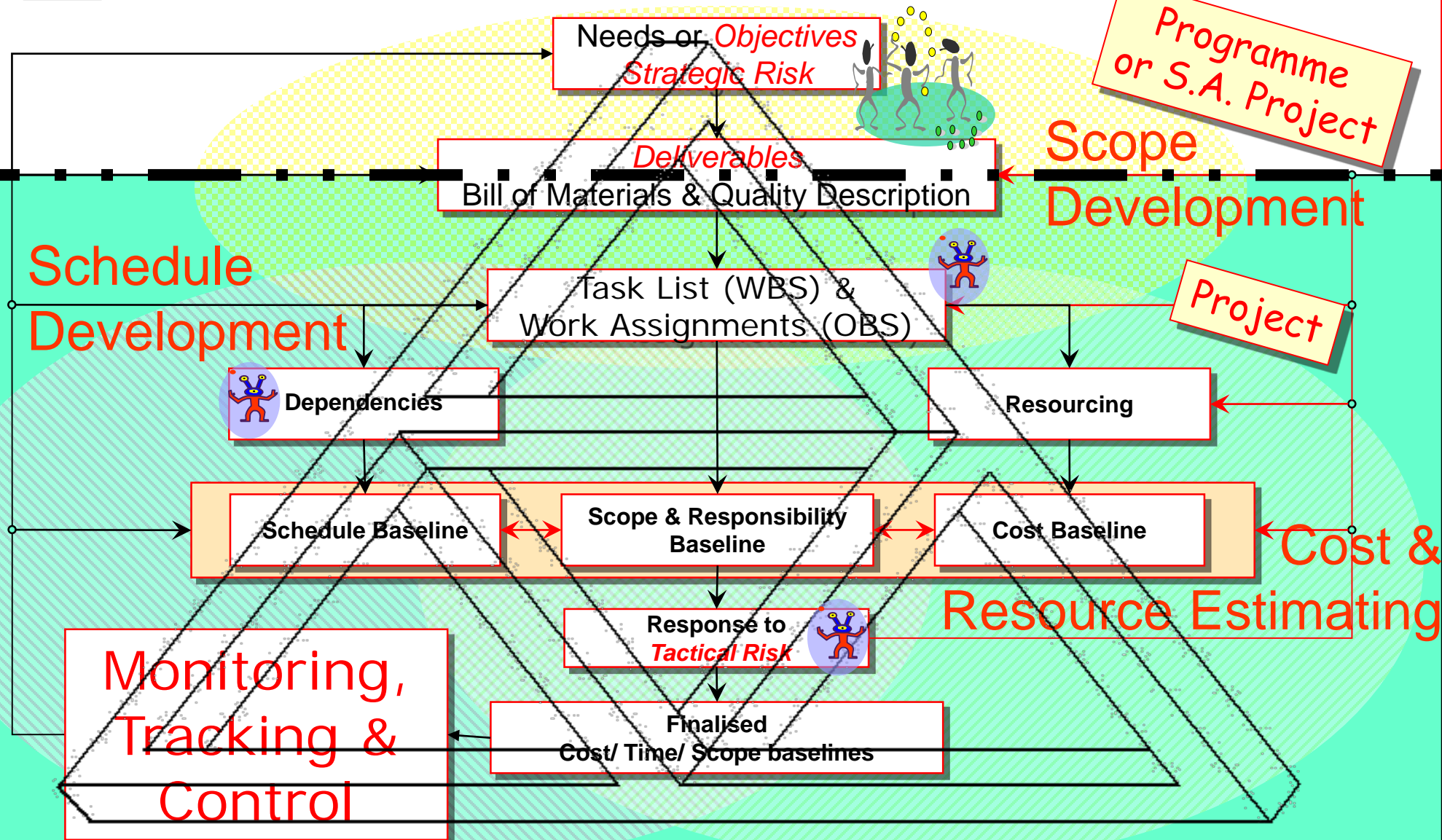
On first pass estimate cheaply, quickly and crudely with single-point estimates. When critical path, bottle-neck resourcing, value and cost 80%/20% are known re-estimate the significant with care using techniques capable of expressing uncertainty and sensitivity





Development and Maintenance of Project Baseline

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The Full Software Based Process

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- Equipped with knowledge of the life-cycle then the steps to define and track a project via MSPJ are:
 - Set-up the baseline
 - Add tasks
 - Set dependencies
 - Set work or duration
 - Add resources
 - Set assignments
 - Smooth and level schedule
 - Set baseline
 - Record progress made
 - Report
 - Amend baseline

*Lets practice them all
Takes only the next 3 slides!*





The Full (Simple) Journey 1/3 Details Etc. Later

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- ① Open MSPJ
- ② Enter some task names EG T1-T5 in the "Task Name" column
 - Select them all and link them
- ③ Switch to the *Resources Sheet* and enter a resource at a rate EG £10/hr
- ④ Switch back to *Gantt*, select all tasks and assign a resource 100%

Resource Sheet	1	Resource Name	Type	Units	Std. Rate	Ovt. Rate
		Simon	Work	100%	10/hr	£0.00/hr

Microsoft Project - Project1						
File Edit View Insert Format Tools Project Collaborate Window Help						
Link Tasks (Ctrl+F2)						
	Task Name	Duration	Start	Finish	Predecessors	Resource Names
1	t1	1 day?	Mon 01/01/01	Mon 01/01/01		
2	t2	1 day?	Mon 01/01/01	Mon 01/01/01		
3	t3	1 day?	Mon 01/01/01	Mon 01/01/01		
4	t4	1 day?	Mon 01/01/01	Mon 01/01/01		
5	t5	1 day?	Mon 01/01/01	Mon 01/01/01		

- Save a baseline and view project statistics
- Set the status date to the project's end date
 - Update project status to plan



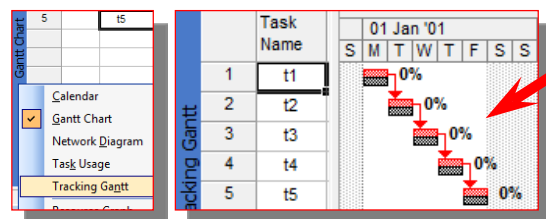
The Full (Simple) Journey 2/3

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- Open MSPJ
- Enter 5 tasks T1-T5 in the "Task Name" column
- Switch to the resources sheet and enter a rate of £10/hr
 - Assign the resource to all tasks

① *Tools | Tracking | Save Baseline*

② Switch to
Tracking Gantt view



③ *Project | Project information | Statistics*

④ *Project | Project Information* & set the status date to the project's end date

- Update project status to plan

Save Baseline

Save baseline

Save interim plan

Copy: Start/Finish

Info: Start/Finish

For: Entire project

Roll up baselines:

To all summary tasks

From subtasks into selected summary task(s)

Set as (default)

OK Cancel

Statistics for 'Project1'

	Start	Finish
Start	Mon 01/01/01	Fri 05/01/01
Finish	Mon 01/01/01	Fri 05/01/01
Actual	NA	NA
Variance	0d	0d

	Duration	Work	Cost
Current	5d?	40h	£400.00
Baseline	5d?	40h	£400.00
Actual	0d	0h	£0.00
Remaining	5d?	40h	£400.00

Percent complete:

Duration: 0% Work: 0%

Close

Current date: Mon 01/01/01

Status date: Fri 05/01/01

Calendar: Standard

Priority: 500



The Full (Simple) Journey 3/3

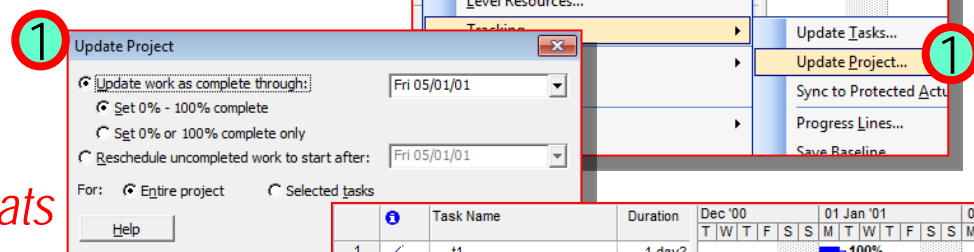
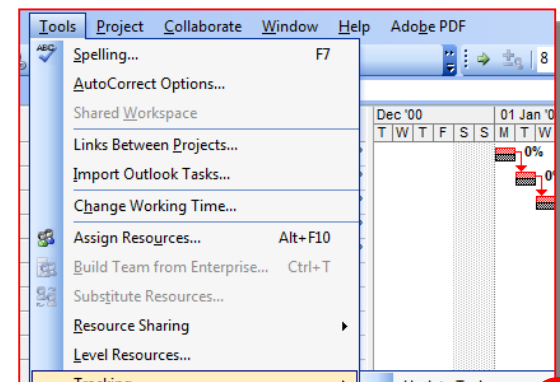
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- Open MSPJ
- Enter 5 tasks T1-T5 in the “Task Name” column, select and link them
- Switch to the resources sheet and enter a resource at a rate of £10/hr
 - Assign the resource to all tasks
- Save a baseline and view | project information | statistics
 - Switch to Tracking Gantt view
- Set the status date to the project’s end date

① Update project status to plan

② Review the *Project | Project Inform'tn | Stats*

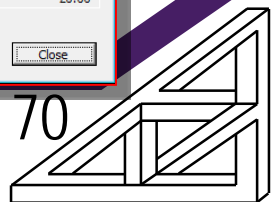
③ Assess Earned Value ! (*View | Table | More Tables...*)



	Task Name	Duration	Dec '00	01 Jan '01
			T W T F S S	M T W T F S S M
1	t1	1 day?		100%
2	t2	1 day?		100%
3	t3	1 day?		100%
4	t4	1 day?		100%

Task Name	BCWS	BCWP	ACWP	SV	CV	EAC	BAC	VAC
t1	£80.00	£80.00	£80.00	£0.00	£0.00	£80.00	£80.00	£0.00
t2	£80.00	£80.00	£80.00	£0.00	£0.00	£80.00	£80.00	£0.00
t3	£80.00	£80.00	£80.00	£0.00	£0.00	£80.00	£80.00	£0.00
t4	£80.00	£80.00	£80.00	£0.00	£0.00	£80.00	£80.00	£0.00
t5	£80.00	£80.00	£80.00	£0.00	£0.00	£80.00	£80.00	£0.00

Project Statistics for 'Project1'			
	Start	Finish	
Current	Mon 01/01/01	Fri 05/01/01	
Baseline	Mon 01/01/01	Fri 05/01/01	
Actual	Mon 01/01/01	Fri 05/01/01	
Variance		0d	0d
	Duration	Work	Cost
Current	5d?	40h	£400.00
Baseline	5d?	40h	£400.00
Actual	5d	40h	£400.00
Remaining	0d?	0h	£0.00
Percent complete:			
Duration:	100%	Work:	100%



Moving Beyond The Basis

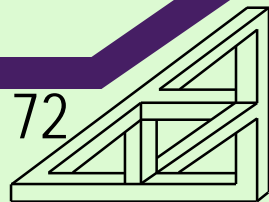
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- The steps just covered are the whole project journey via software
 - Each operation just covered has options but in essence ‘we’ve done it all’
- Tracking status rarely reflects reality when using ‘Update Project’
 - Typical to have to ‘tune’ or adjust status and the plan
 - Use ‘Update Project’ to automated status recording that is to plan
 - Apply manual adjustments for what is ahead or behind or different to plan
- As we go part completed exercise files are referenced – you don’t need them: full instructions are in these slides but they are at www.logicalmodel.net for free
- Later chapters use a case-study
 - Everything you need to complete the case study is in this set of slides
 - A full set of case-study files is also on the website



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- Planning standards describe the process to build baselines
 - Bodies of knowledge describe the elements of baselines as well as (non-software) tools and techniques to create them
- Software planning tools hold data on tasks, resources, cost and calendars
 - Calculate and re-calculate schedules, cash-flows and resource profiles
- MSPJ workspace (screen) displays views comprised of tables and graphs
 - Tables and graphs interpret a hierarchical database
 - MSPJ shows current entered and calculated data
 - Optionally with saved snap-shots (aka baselines) of the evolving project's status
- MSPJ 'Help' provides reference info and procedural step-by-step guidance
- We have seen that the full, tracking cycle can be very simple and powerful!
 - The steps and structure remain the same for bigger projects
 - Lots of alternatives and options available



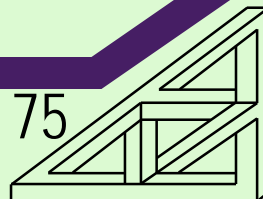
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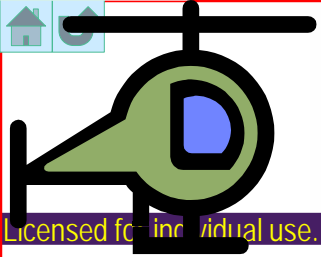
Lesson 3: Setting Up The Project in MSPJ

Objectives

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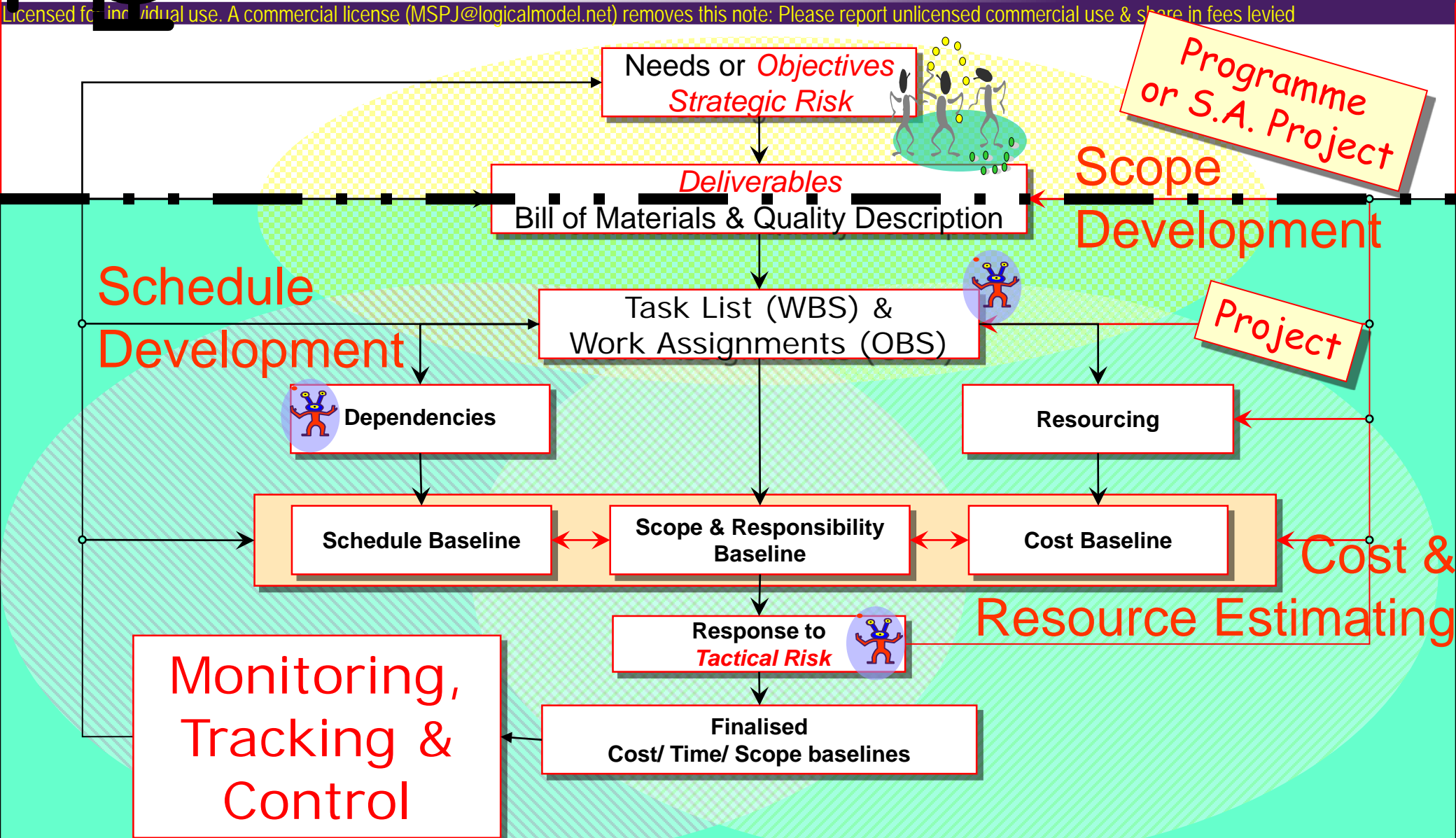
- Define the project through its key facts at summary level in MSPJ
 - (optionally) Set project start date (or finish date)
 - (optionally) Link to project charter (Control Account, Assignment letter etc)
 - Set-up project calendar and template calendars for resources and tasks
- Add the project's tasks (work-packages and planning packages)
 - Define project scope using PBS & WBS decompositions and enter to MSPJ
 - Documenting scope by creating WBS Dictionary entries
 - Use Outlining and Summary Tasks
- Know the prosaic! How to move, add, delete tasks
 - Create repetitive tasks
- Know how to capture PBS/ WBS dictionary (aka SOO & SOW) in *Task Information*
- Define and use outline levels and WBS codes
- Practice what we have covered





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When An Assignment Starts

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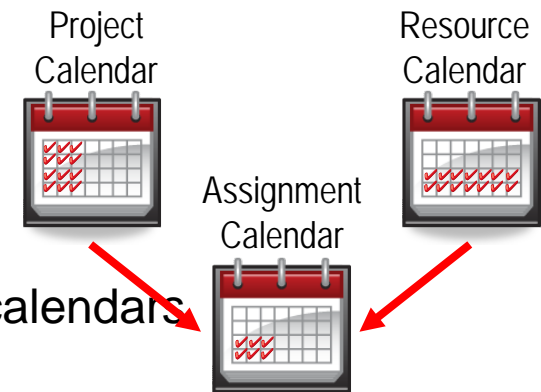
- Start of an MSPJ database (a plan in MSPJ) might be triggered by receipt of a sales call, RFP* or a chat with (or email from) the boss
 - Wider people focused project activity is:
 - 'Define stakeholders and the Goal' plus matched deliverables
 - Deliverables expressed in acceptance criteria terms
 - Interviews with the project's driving force, workshops with other change-agents
 - MSPJ's main use begins as:
 - Deliverables and their Acceptance Criteria (AC) are defined
 - Tasks to create the deliverables are identified
 - Resources to execute the tasks are defined
- Software activities are to create the database/ project file
 - Set-up calendars
 - Link project documentation such as charter to the project



Complete Journey: Starting At The Beginning

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- Budgets and cash-flow depend on scheduled work
 - *Work* (effort) depends on scope expressed in terms of “what” and “how good”
 - Schedule depends on resources and calendars
- When adding tasks we must establish calendars
 - May only need to be done once for the enterprise
 - Three sets of calendars determine assignment dates
 - 1-Project working time, 2-Resource calendars, 3-Task calendars
 - (Task calendar may override all other calendars)
- Before or after setting calendars we might ‘Define the project’
 - For MSPJ this is mostly linking to other documentation such as charter/ contract/ task assignment/ Quality Management System
 - Plus set project start date and any default settings (E.g. Hrs / Working day)



The Project Info Window



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- Setting up a project in MSPJ starts with *Project / Project Information*
 - Set Project Start (or Finish) date
 - Perhaps today's date too
 - 'Today' is really a 'data as at'

Project Information for 'Project1'

Start date: 01 Jan '01 Current date: 01 Jan '01

Finish date: 01 Jan '01 Status date: NA

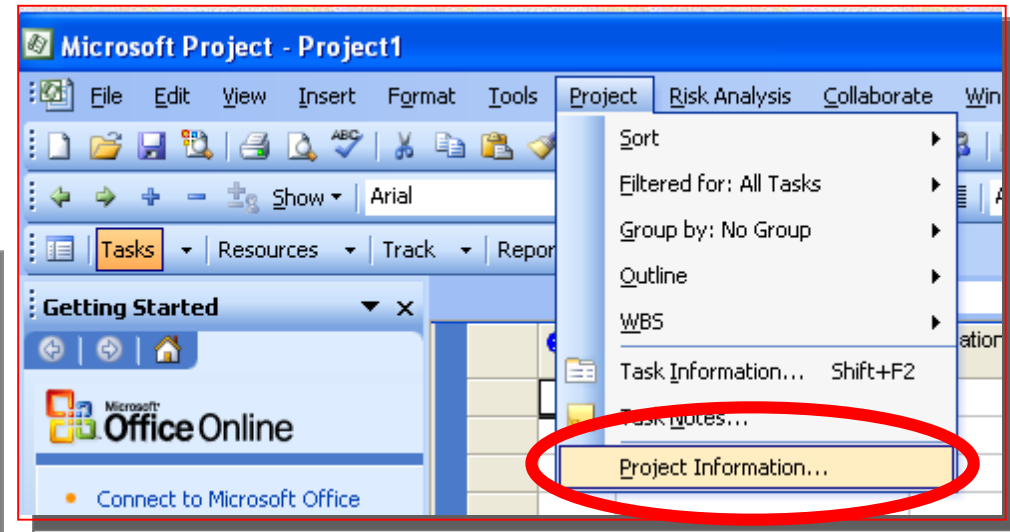
Schedule from: Project Start Date Calendar: Standard

All tasks begin as soon as possible. Priority: 500

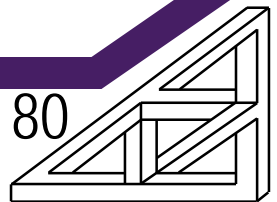
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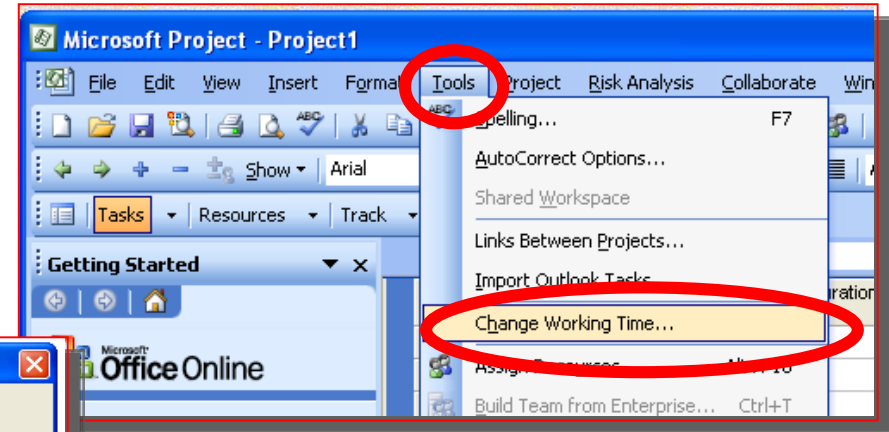
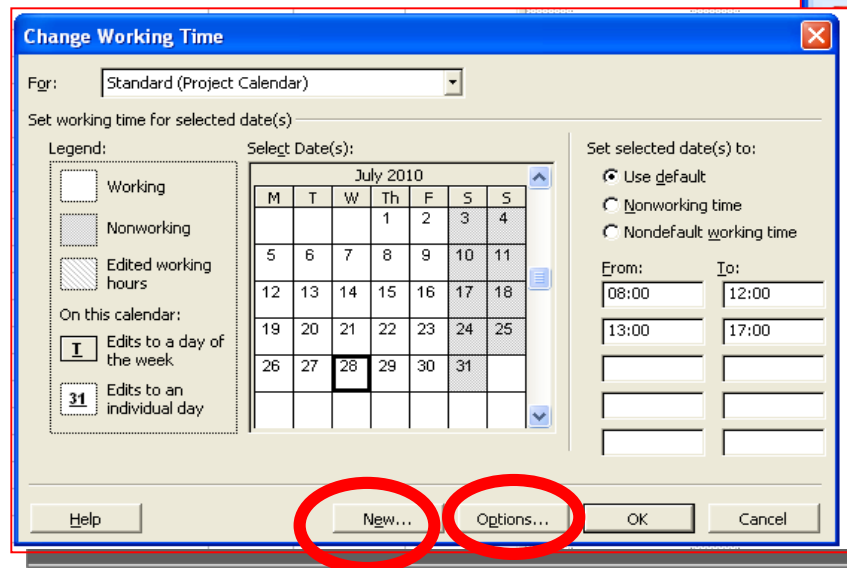
- Before or after the Project Kick-Off meeting



Setting The Calendar

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- The scheduling engine always needs to know which hours of which days are 'working hours'
 - “Resource calendars” and “Task calendars” based on templates created with “New...”
- Tools / Change Working Time*



- Matching “Working Times” to the default definition of a “day’s work” is crucial
 - Set by *Options* aka *Tools / Options / Calendar* (next slide)

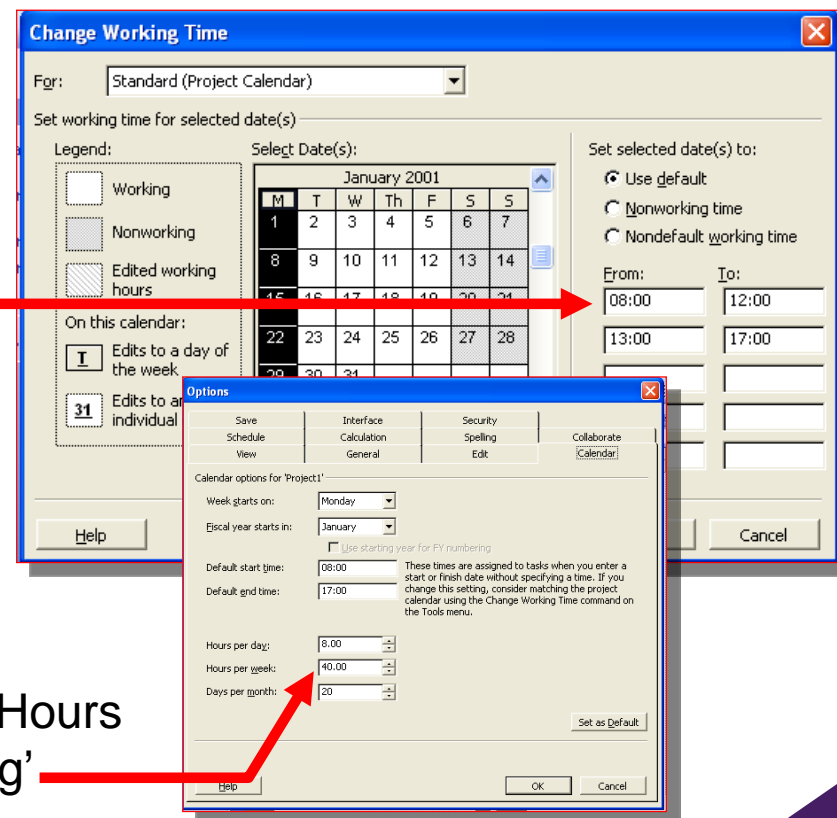




Change Working Times

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- To set the working days and shifts
 - Select a single day & mark options: non-working or non-default & set times
 - Select a DAY HEADING to change every occurrence
- Calendars for project, tasks and resource assignments define basis for scheduling
 - What is recorded in the database when adding *duration* or *work* to a task is defined by *Tools / Options / Calendar-tab*
 - More later: for now note it is always best to keep the two in-line
 - If a calendar day is 8-5 with lunch then 'Hours per day' other than 8.0 will be 'interesting'

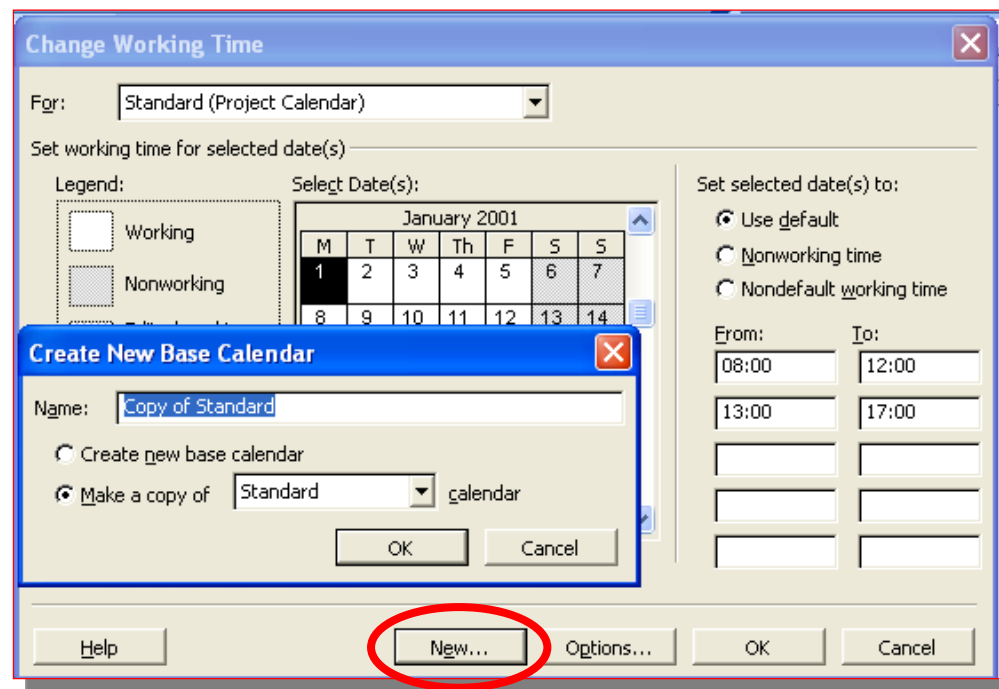




Creating New Base-Calendars

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- Task Calendars need a Base-Calendar to be based upon
To create a new calendar
 - Select *Create new...*
- New calendars can be created at any time without consequences



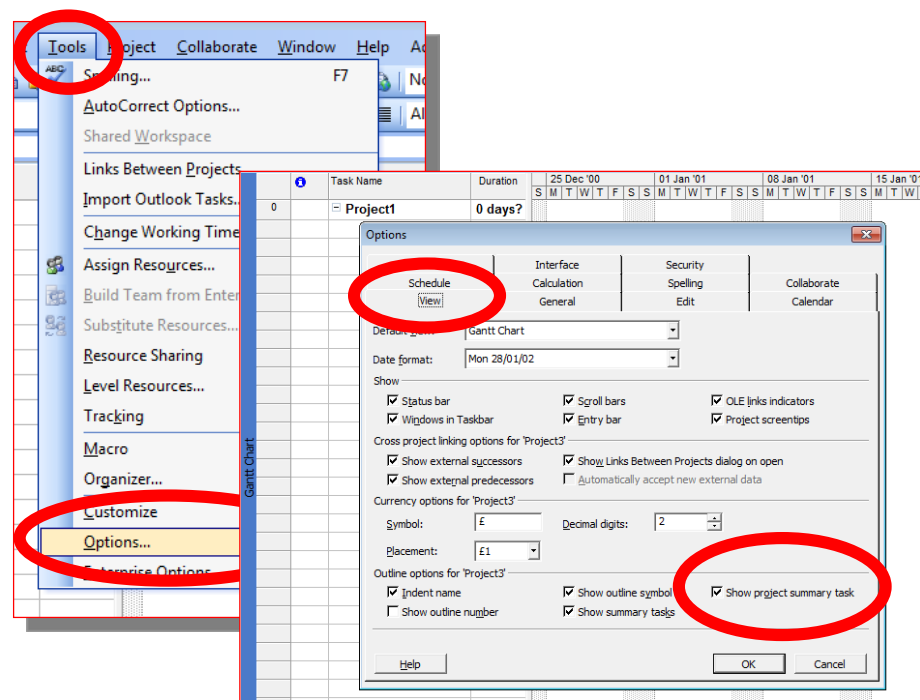
- Changing the project's working times part-way through is 'interesting' but 'OK'
 - EG it is almost easy to swap a project from European to Middle-Eastern calendar



Linking Documentation 1/2

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- Add the Project Charter, Statement Of Work or assignment details to the Project Summary
 - Optional, but a good 'standard practice'
- First: Show the project summary task
 - *Tools / Options / View-tab / Outline Options / Show Project Summary Task*
 - Linking procedure given here applies to tasks, resources and assignments as well as project summary task
 - EG Linking quality standards and QMS entries to a WBS task or a deliverable defined in the PBS uses the same steps

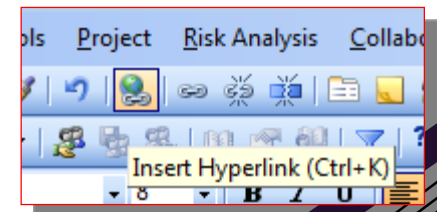


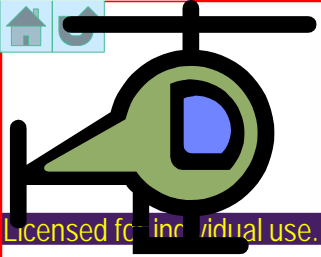
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- Select the summary task
 - Click “*Task Information*” on the menu (or Right-Click or Double-click the task)
 - Click *Notes | Insert Object-Icon*

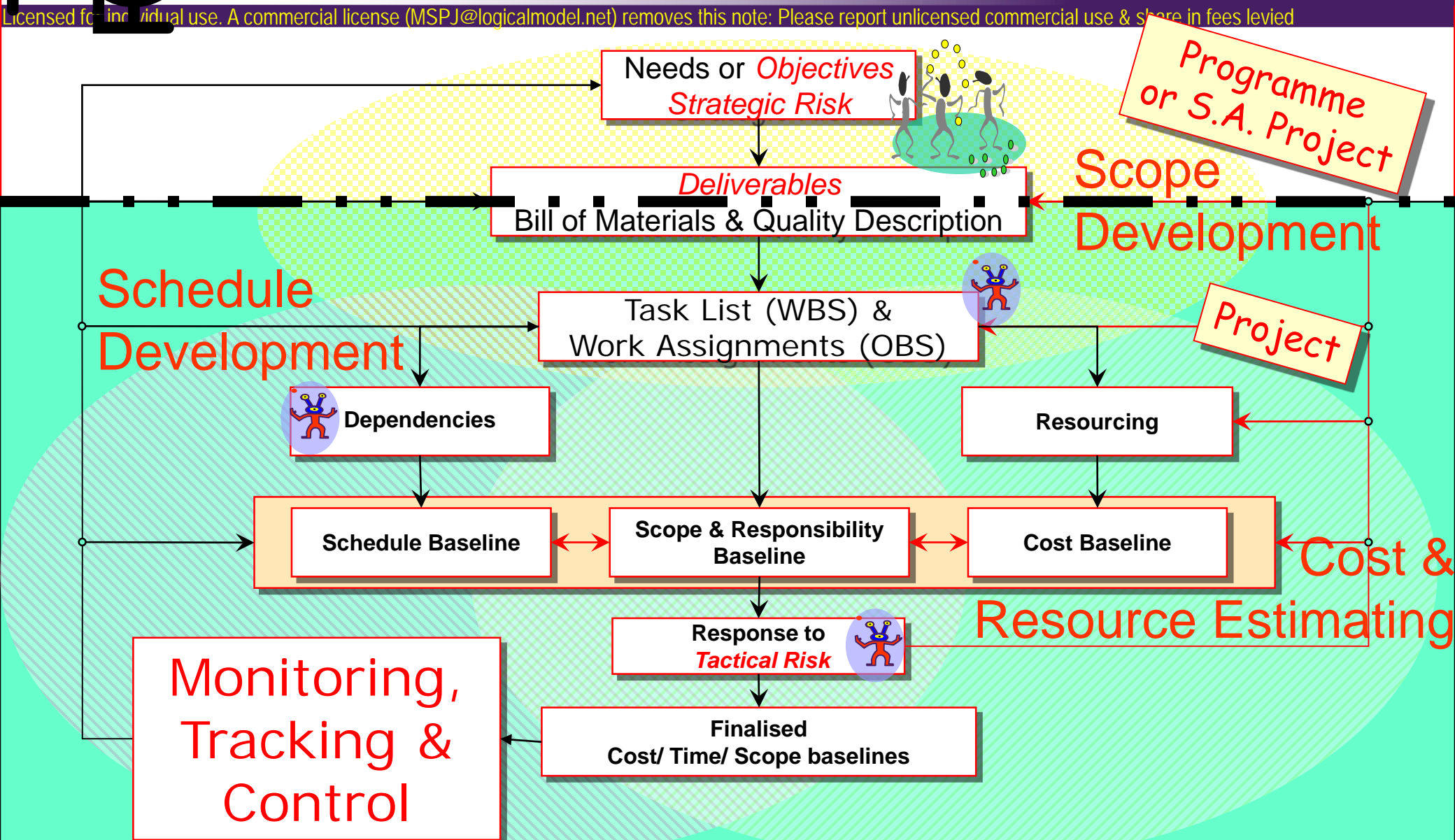
- Select the Project
 - Hyperlinks and objects can be added to other items too
 - Depends on the ‘view context’





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Business Context



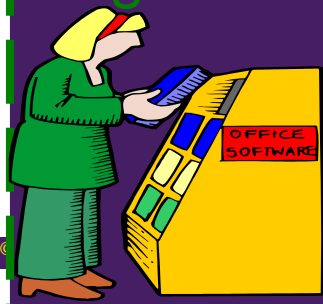
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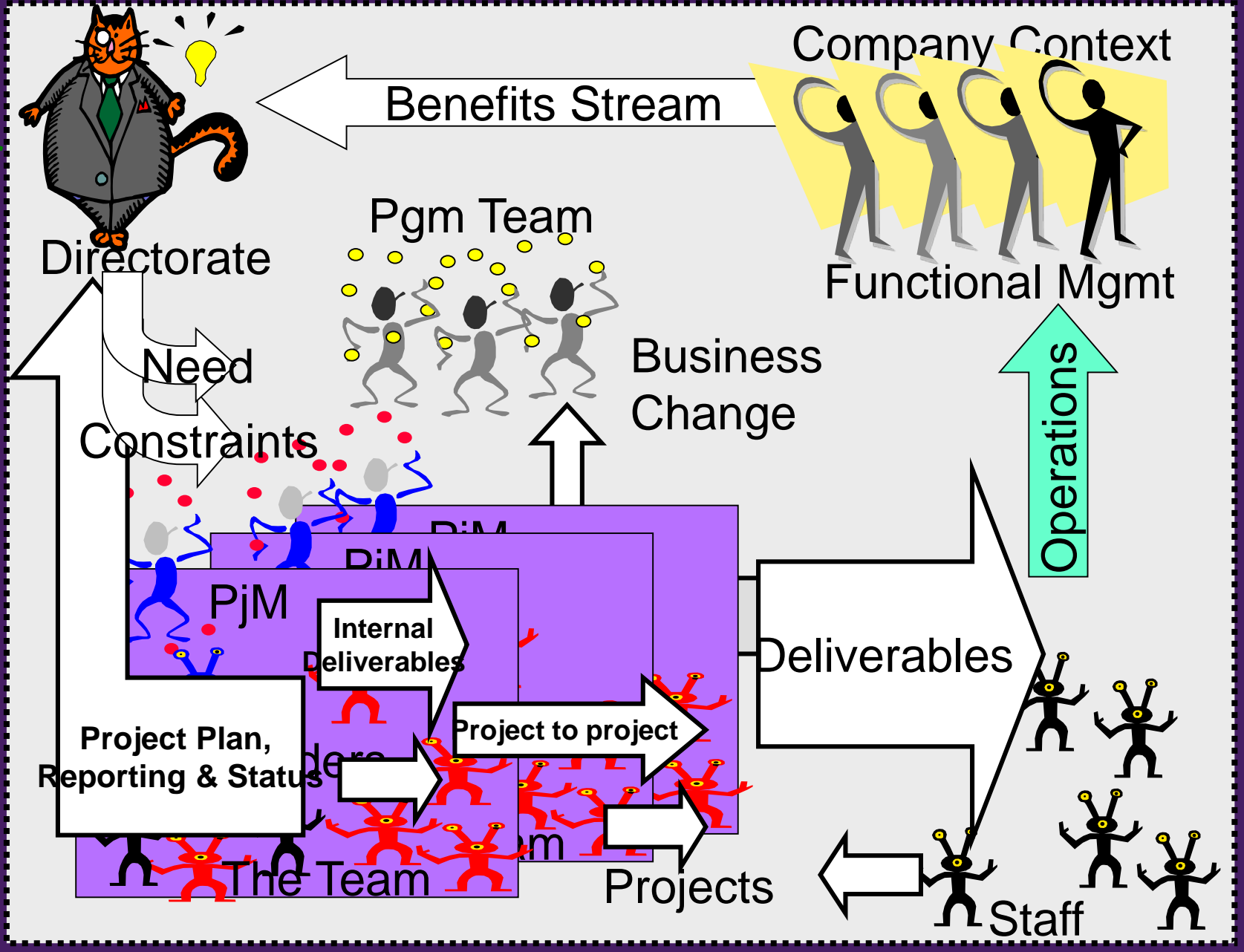
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Regulators



Customer



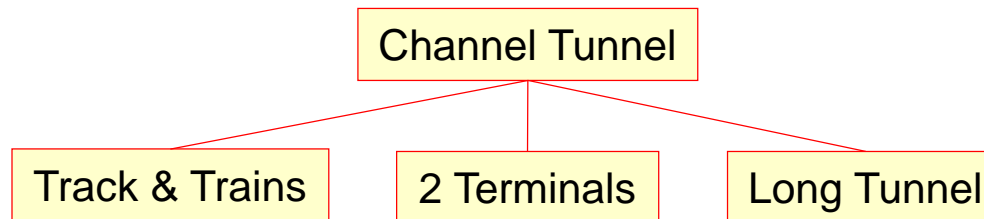
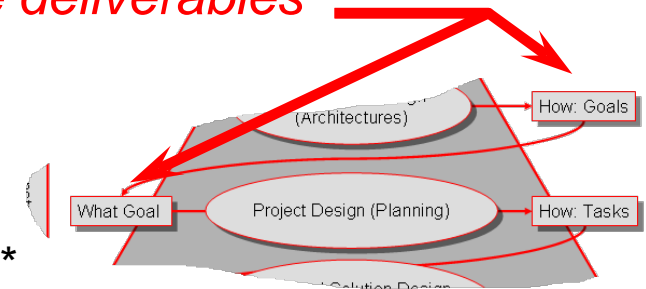
Modelling Scope: Required Results

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- *Start with the customer* and identify and *decompose deliverables*

- Brainstorm major deliverables that together totally resolve the need

- Record each deliverable's acceptance criteria in its Breakdown Structure dictionary entry*



- Decompose each deliverable until customer no longer wishes to specify details or item not usefully decomposable** for those present
 - Later steps decompose the product's life-cycle (and record tasks in the WBS)

Result of scoping meetings and workshops
is the information to document in MSPJ

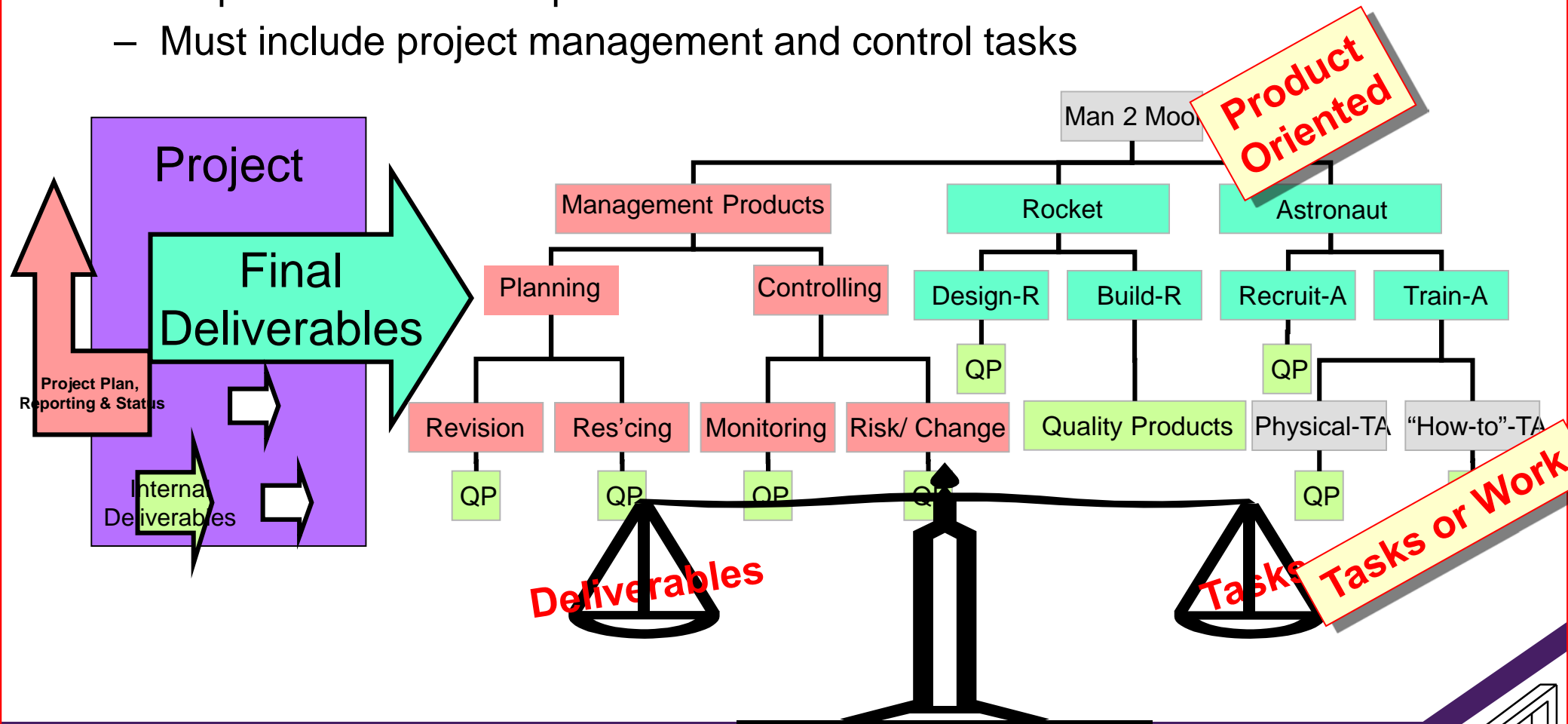


Breakdown Structures

WBS or PBS or OBS or GBS or CBS...

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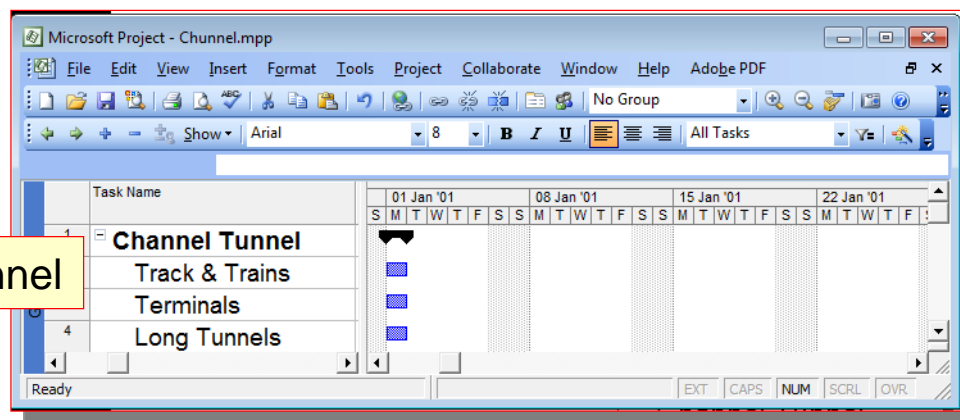
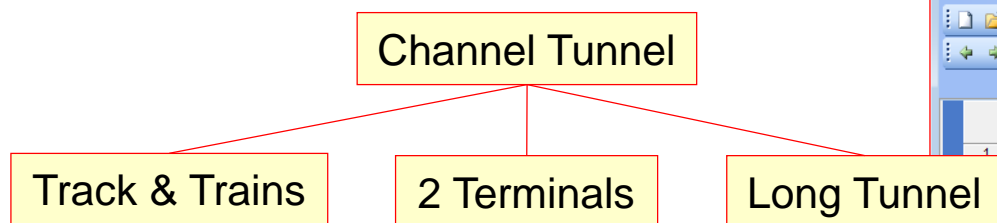
- xBS equals **ALL** the **x*** to produce **ALL** the **deliverables**
 - Must include project management and control tasks



Documenting Required Results

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- Enter the deliverables discovered in scoping sessions into MSPJ's task list
 - Decompose *deliverables* into *sub-products* (MSPJ 2010 features help here)
 - Until no further product decomposition is useful (at this management's level)
 - *Then* decompose into *life-cycle steps*/ stages/ phases

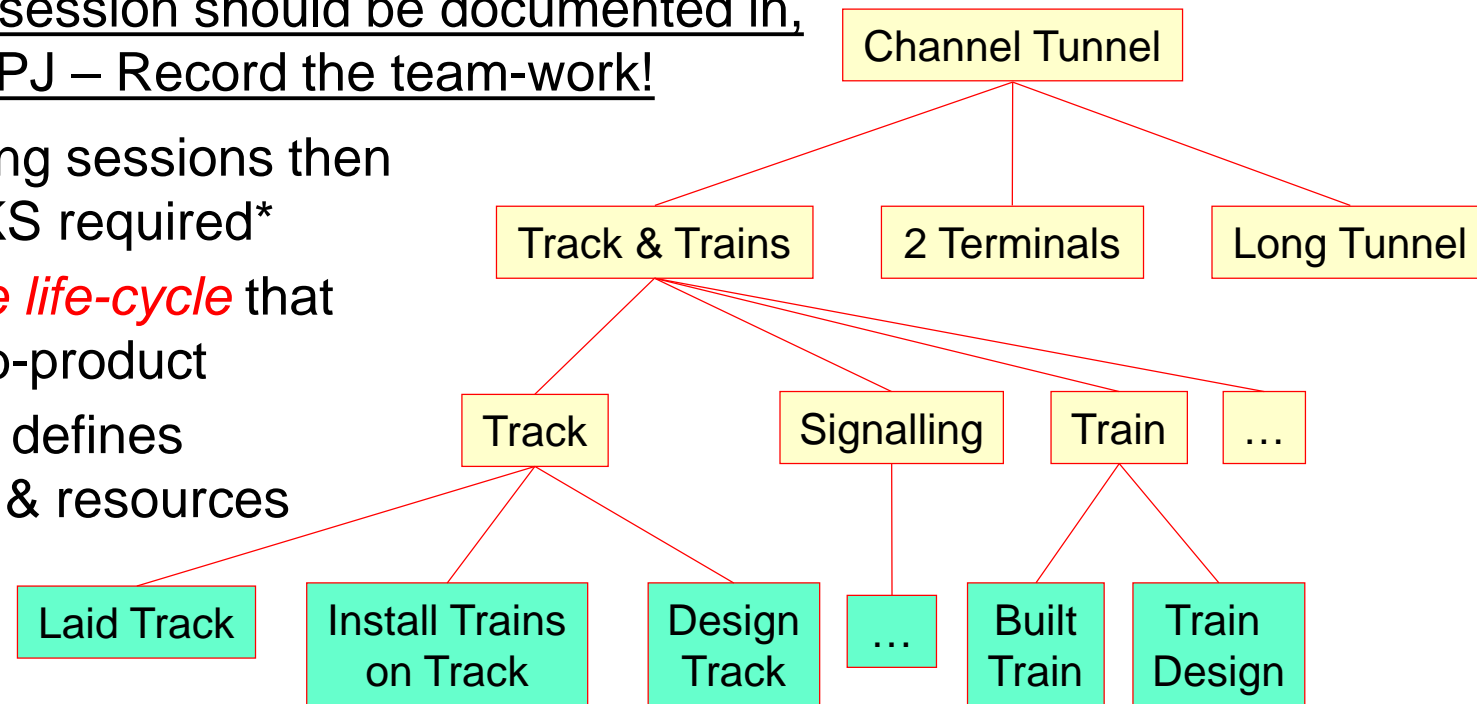


- Use *Task Information / Notes* to record PBS/ WBS dictionary entries (SOO & SOW*)
 - Link to Quality Management System standards for products and processes (More later)

As Scope Evolves The Breakdown Expands

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- Use the technical team's expertise to *decompose* each (sub-)product into lower-level products (as the technicians identify is needed to resolve choices)
- Results of scoping session should be documented in, (transferred to) MSPJ – Record the team-work!
- After product scoping sessions then consider the TASKS required*
 - The *tasks in the life-cycle* that create each sub-product
 - The deliverable defines the tasks, skills & resources required to gain acceptance
- As many levels as needed at 'this' management level to exercise control

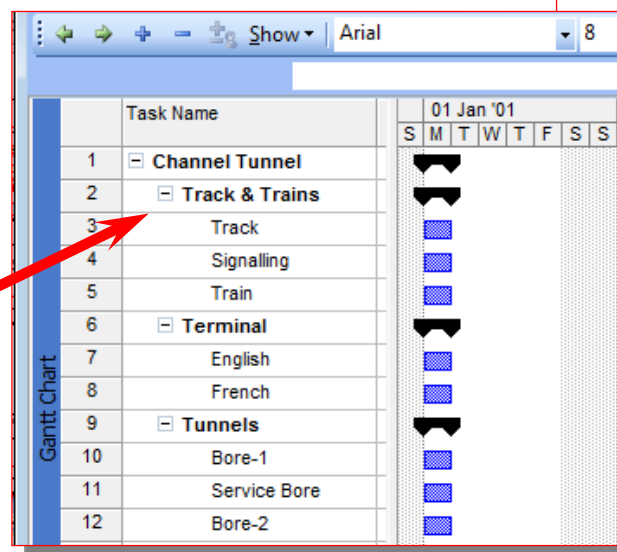




As Detail is Discovered Then Add Tasks To MSPJ's Breakdown

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- Many ways to add the tasks
 - Direct entry: just type the *task name* into the “Tasks” column
 - Copy and paste from a text list (Eg created in Notepad)
 - Import other formats EG Excel template or MS-Access
- Always best to use descriptive names for tasks
 - DON'T add dates or durations (at this stage) unless constraints
- We also need to know how to:
 - Move and delete tasks
 - Add structuring
 - Add dependency links
 - Re-Sequence



- Channel Tunnel
 - Track & Trains
 - Track
 - Signalling
 - Train
- Terminal
 - English
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- Tunnels
 - Bore-1
 - Service Bore
 - Bore-2

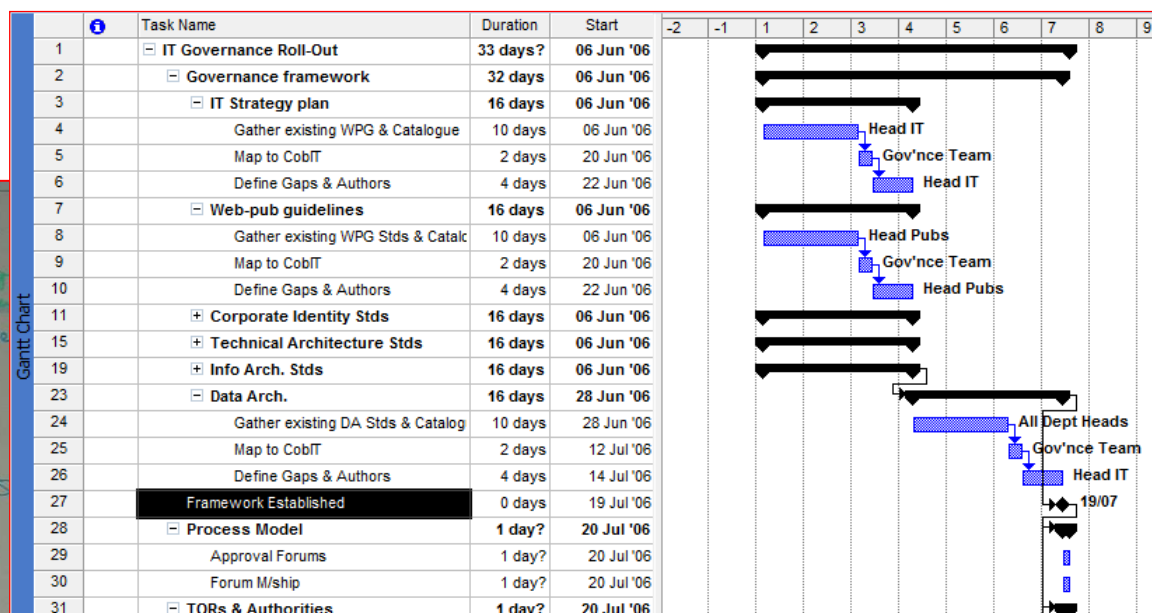
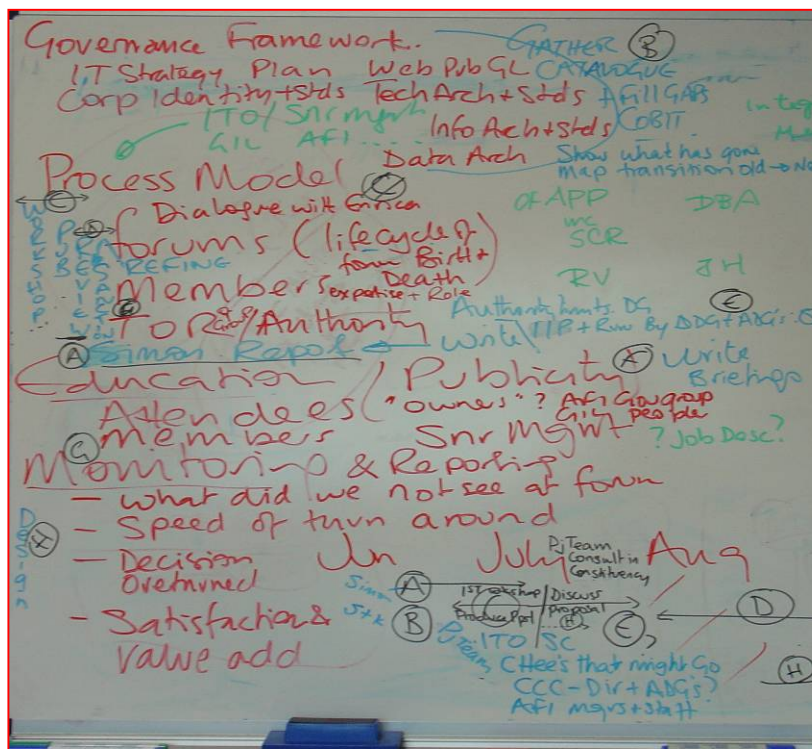




Scoping Workshops

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- ‘Real planning’ creates outputs such as the white-board pictured
 - Results are then entered into the software tool



Planning can NEVER be done as a solitary activity
BECAUSE:
SOOP: A plan is a shared consciousness that : for
a given result predicts what resources will be
consumed by what activities and when to deliver
the required impact





Selecting Work-Space Elements

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- Click selects
 - *Click and drag* selects multiple items
 - *Control-click* selects non-adjacent items
 - Must be same field type or same task
 - *Ctl-Click-Drag* selects non-adjacent groups
 - *Click* either *cells* or row and column headers
- *Click* a *row-header* to select the task
 - Click fields to select their contents
- *Click* a column header selects all tasks

		Task Name	Duration	Start
0		<input type="checkbox"/> Project1	1 day?	30/06/200
1		task1	1 day?	30/06/200
2		task2	1 day?	30/06/200
3		task3	1 day?	30/06/200

		Task Name	Duration	Start
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2		task2	1 day?	30/06/0
3		task3	1 day?	30/06/0

Microsoft Project - RESCONST

Single Family House - Architect Design (3,000 square feet with full basement)

	Task Name	Duration	Start	Finish
1	Single Family House - Architect	152 days	04 Jan '04	11 Jan '04
2	General Conditions	21 days		
3	Finalize plans and develop	20 days		
4	Sign contract and notice to	1 day		
5	Apply for Permits	0 days		
6	Secure foundation perm	0 days		
7	Secure framing permit	0 days		
8	Secure electrical permit	0 days		
9	Secure plumbing permit	0 days		
10	Secure HVAC permit	0 days		
11	Secure miscellaneous p	0 days		
12	Site Work	3 days		
13	Clear and grub lot	1 day		
14	Install temporary power se	1 day		
15	Install underground utilities	1 day		
16	Foundation	42 days		
17	Excavate for foundations	3 days		



Moving Tasks & Inserting Tasks

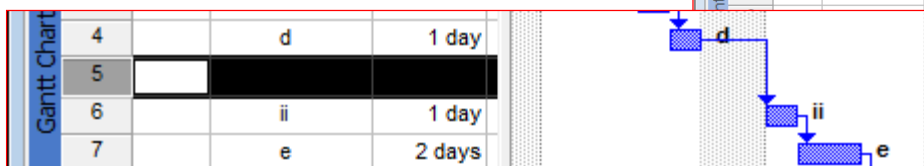
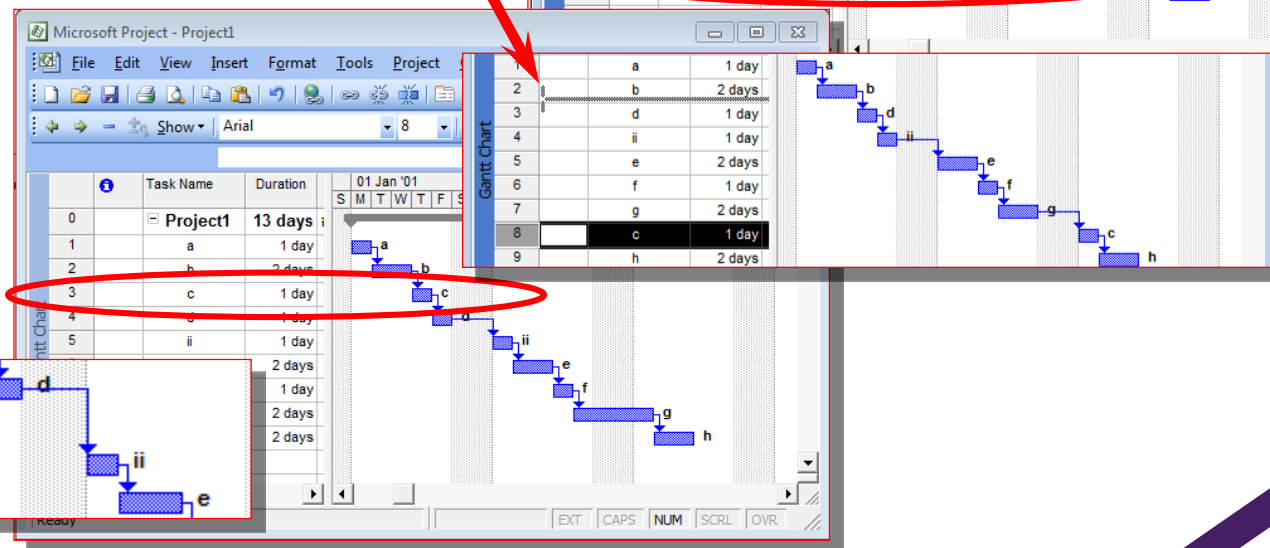
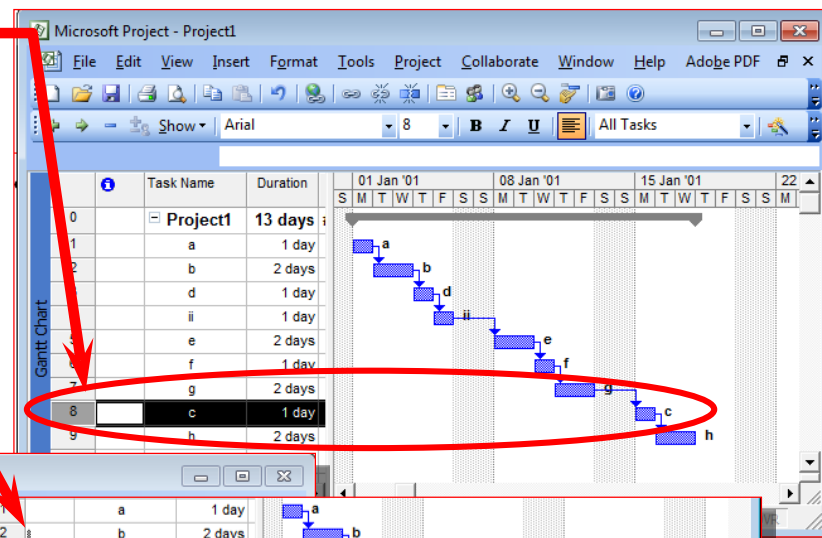
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- To move a *task(s)* select its grey row header

- Drag the row to its destination
- Dragging retains task-id
 - Cut & paste changes task-id
 - (If Auto-link is on then linked tasks are re-linked*)

- *Insert / New Task*

- Or '*insert*'-key
- Adds the new row ABOVE the current row

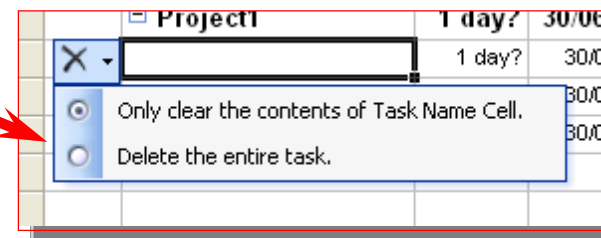




Deleting

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- How '*Delete*' works depends on what is selected
 - If "Name" is selected then a 'Delete indicator' appears and asks your intention
 - If a row is selected then task is deleted
 - If a column is selected it is hidden



- If any other item is selected it is cleared
 - Links & resources (etc) cleared, dates and durations reset

2	b	2 days	16 hrs	staff
3	c	2 days	16 hrs	staff
4	d	2 days	16 hrs	staff
5	e	2 days	16 hrs	staff
6	f	2 days	16 hrs	staff

2	b	2 days	16 hrs	staff
3	c	1 day?	8 hrs	staff
4	d	2 days	16 hrs	staff
5	e	2 days	16 hrs	staff
6	f	2 days	16 hrs	staff

- Deleting resources on a task sets *Work* to zero ☹️ *
(More later)

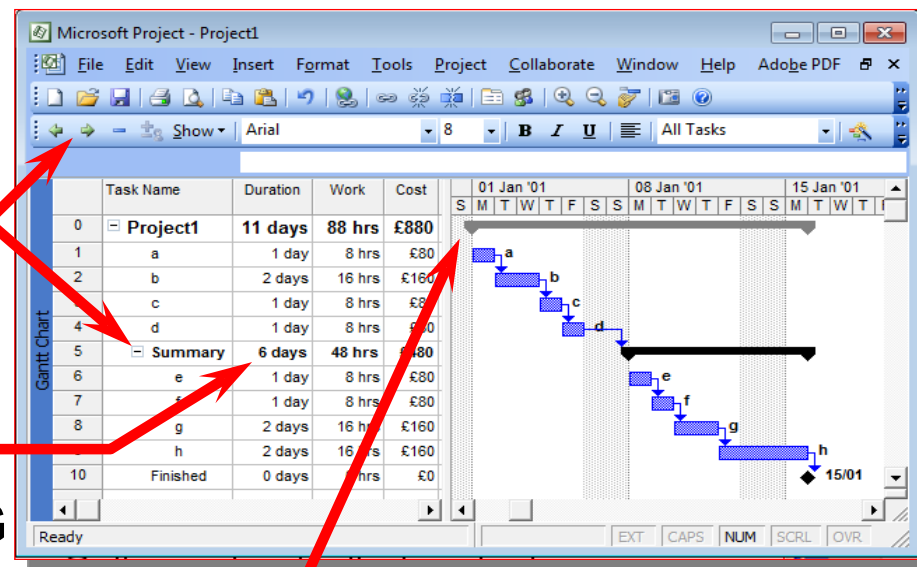
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3	c	1 day?	8 hrs	staff
4	d	2 days	0 hrs	staff
5	e	2 days	16 hrs	staff
6	f	2 days	16 hrs	staff



Outlining with Summary & Sub-Tasks

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- Summary tasks group & summarise cost, duration etc of lower level items
 - Grouped items may be tasks or lower level summaries
 - Match to the PBS and WBS
- Formatting tool-bar buttons
 - Promote & Demote
 - Expand & Collapse
 - Show a specific level
- Summarise information below
 - Can be collapsed or Rolled-up tasks
 - Summaries can have 'own details' EG
- Project Summary
 - *Tools / Options / View-Tab / Outline-Options / Show Project Summary Task*
 - Project summary name starts as filename: can be changed

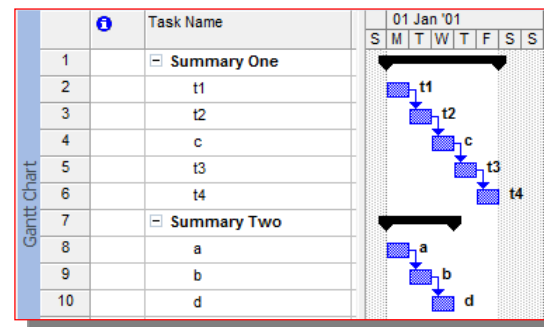
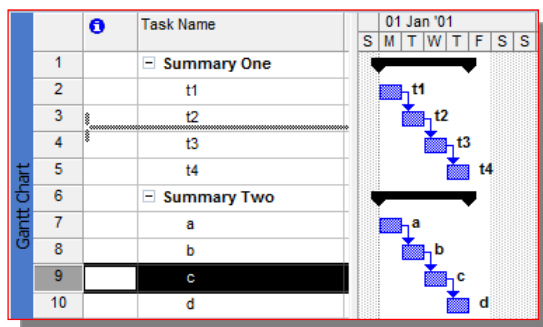
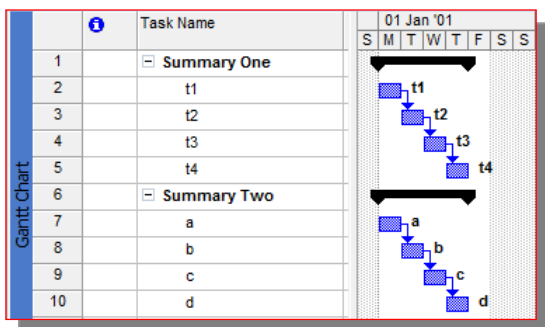




More About Summary Task

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- Tasks are sorted within summary by defaults
 - Tasks always retain 'membership' of a summary even if sorted without summary structure
- Links between summary tasks constrain summarised items
 - EG Start dates of summarised tasks cannot be earlier than the summary
- Tracking can be at summary level

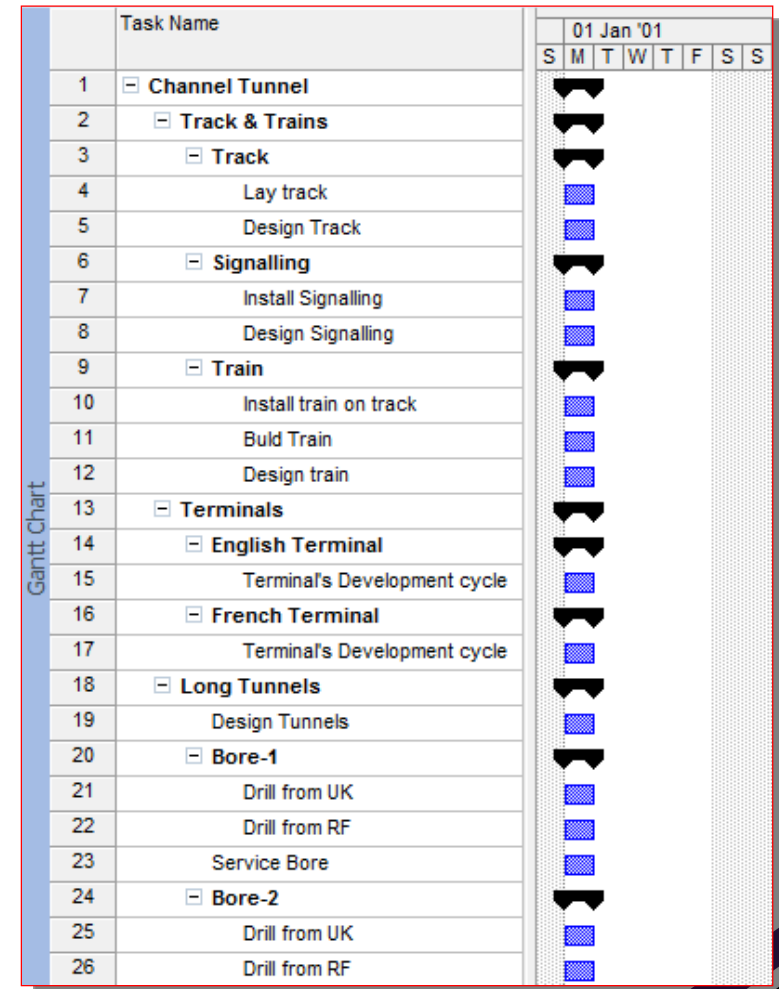
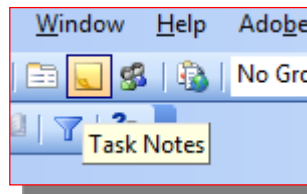


- Tasks can be dragged between summaries

PBS → WBS

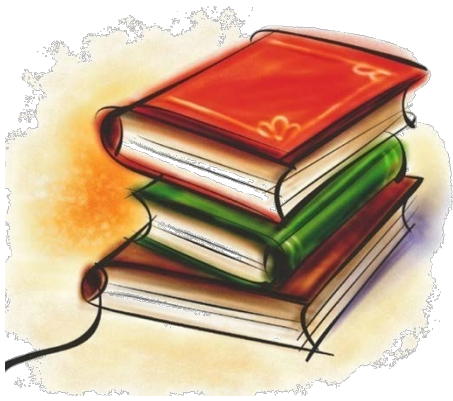
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- Outside of the tool
 - Be sure you know the customer's acceptance criteria for each product
 - Use the team's expertise to identify the tasks to meet the acceptance criteria
 - Link product and task to relevant standards in the Quality Management System
 - *Task Information | Notes-Tab | Insert-Object | Create from file...*
 - Or enter criteria directly into the Notes pane (see next slide!)



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- *WBS dictionary records key* definitions of scope for each element of the WBS
 - Entries also known as a Work-Packages or Contracts or Assignments
 - *WBS Dictionary often actually the SOW!*
 - Defines “HOW” we will do the “What”
 - *Often* extensive *reference to the Quality Management System*
 - Established during Quality Planning (as the PBS is created)



[-] Framing	22 days
Install 1st floor joists	2 days
Lay 1st floor decking	2 days
Frame	
Frame	
Install 2	
Frame 2	
Frame 2	
Frame 2	
Comple	
Conduc	
[-] Dry In	
Install 1	
Install 2	
Install r	
Install f	
Hang 1	
Install 1	
Install 2	
[-] Exterior F	
Comple	
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Task Information

General

Predecessors

Resources

Advanced

Notes

Custom Fields

Name:

Install 1st floor joists

Duration:

2d

☐ Estimated

Notes:

Task Definition:

1st Floor joists are suspended on galvanised steel joist hangers set at 18" centres during construction of block-walls. each joist should be nailed at each end to its hangers

NOTE: Joists to be washed in anti-fungal and anti beetle solution prior to installation

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Responsibility

The carpenter will cut, install and nail joists.

Carpenter to act as acceptance authority on block-walls for position of hangers

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Applicable Standards

Joist - Building Code T-12:1962

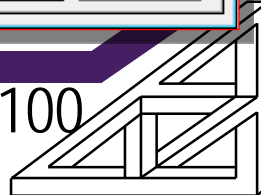
Hangers - ibid

Install process - Company QMS: "Carpenter Competency Profile Roofing and Floors Vn2.2"

Help

OK

Cancel

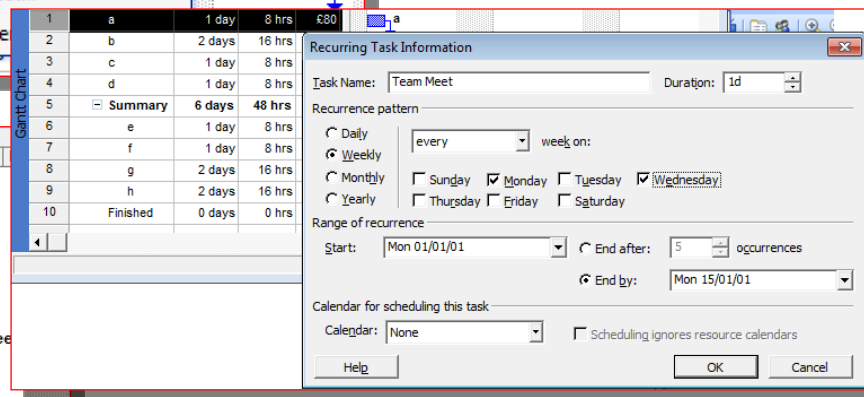
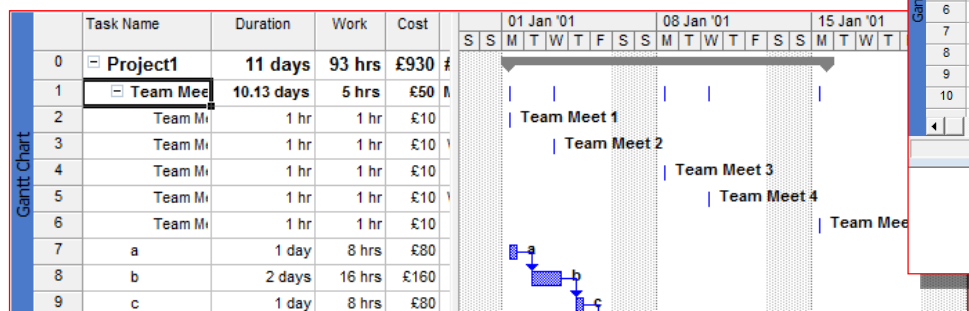
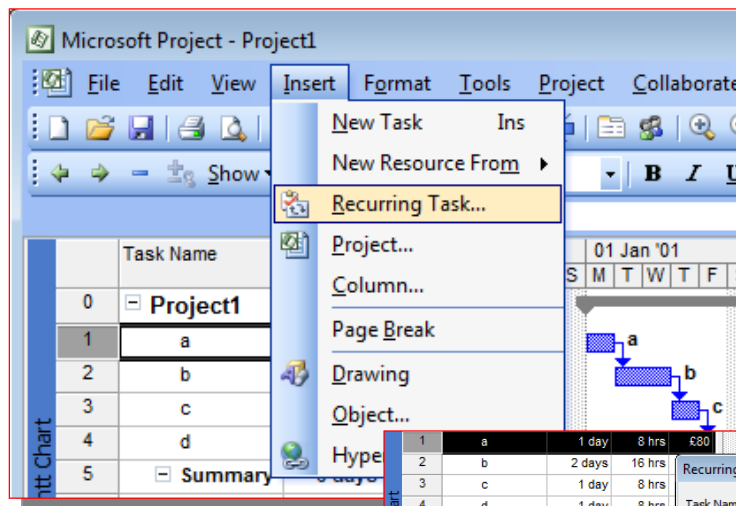




Adding Recurrent Tasks

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- Recurrent tasks
 - EG Team meetings
 - *Insert / Recurring Task*
- Shown as a collapsed task





WBS Coding

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- Step 1 – *Project / WBS / Define Code*
 - *Project code* is unique to this project
 - Default WBS code in WBS column
- Step 2 – Show the column
 - Right-Click a column header
 - Select & format WBS column

WBS	Task Name	Duration	Start	End
0	MY_PJ: Project2	1 day?	01/08/2010	02/08/2010
1	MY_PJ: A	1 MS_Start	0 days	01/08/2010
2	MY_PJ: B	2 Summary1	1 day?	02/08/2010
3	MY_PJ: B1	2.1 t1	1 day?	02/08/2010
4	MY_PJ: B2	2.2 t2	1 day?	02/08/2010
5	MY_PJ: B3	2.3 t3	1 day?	02/08/2010
6	MY_PJ: C	3 Summary2	1 day?	02/08/2010
7	MY_PJ: C1	3.1 t4	1 day?	02/08/2010
8	MY_PJ: C2	3.2 t5	1 day?	02/08/2010
9	MY_PJ: C3	3.3 t6	1 day?	02/08/2010
10	MY_PJ: C4	3.4 t7	1 day?	02/08/2010
11	MY_PJ: C5	3.5 t8	1 day?	02/08/2010
12	MY_PJ: D	4 MS_Finish	0 days	01/08/2010

WBS	Task Name	Duration	Start	End
1	Channel Tunnel	1 MS	01/08/2010	02/08/2010
2	1.1 Track & Train	1 MS	01/08/2010	02/08/2010
3	1.1.1 Track	1 MS	01/08/2010	02/08/2010
4	1.1.1.1 Lay tra	1 MS	01/08/2010	02/08/2010
5	1.1.1.2 Design	1 MS	01/08/2010	02/08/2010
6	1.1.1.2 Signalling	1 MS	01/08/2010	02/08/2010
7	1.1.1.2.1 Install S	1 MS	01/08/2010	02/08/2010
8	1.1.1.2.2 Design	1 MS	01/08/2010	02/08/2010
9	1.1.3 Train	1 MS	01/08/2010	02/08/2010
10	1.1.3.1 Install t	1 MS	01/08/2010	02/08/2010
11	1.1.3.2 Build Tr	1 MS	01/08/2010	02/08/2010
12	1.1.3.3 Design	1 MS	01/08/2010	02/08/2010
13	1.2 Terminals	1 MS	01/08/2010	02/08/2010
14	1.2.1 English T	1 MS	01/08/2010	02/08/2010
15	1.2.1.1 Terminal's Developer	1 MS	01/08/2010	02/08/2010

Outline Codes & Lookup Tables

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- Beyond the WBS! Multiple outline codes can be created for sorting and grouping

Outline Code Definition for 'Standard Finance CBS'

Code preview: AAA.aaa.1

Code mask:

Level	Sequence	Length	Separator
1	Uppercase Letters	3	.
2	Lowercase Letters	3	.
3	Numbers	Any	.

☒ Only allow codes listed in the lookup table
☐ Only allow new codes with values in all levels of m...

Edit Lookup Table for 'Standard Finance CBS'

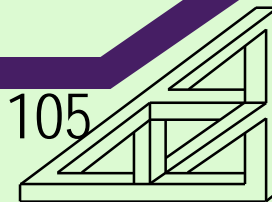
Level	Outline Code	Description
1	CEQ	Capital Equipment
2	plt	Buildings & Fixed Assets
2	mch	Machinery
2	OVT	Payroll costs - Overtime
2	lbr	Staff hours
2	tns	Travel and subsistence
3	1	Travel
3	2	Meals
3	3	Overnight Accommodation

Add column (same as for WBS code)

- Sadly sort sequence of outline codes can not be defined
 - Set-up codes to sort in required sequences with an alphabetic prefix letter?
- Sorting the final Gantt chart by task start-date is a useful sequencing approach
 - Although not if summary tasks have been used ☹
- Typical steps are:
 1. Enter deliverables and sub-products
 2. Decompose via tasks to create sub-products as sub-tasks
 - Add tasks to integrate sub-products and test deliverables
 3. Link tasks within work-streams and link work-streams within project
 - Link projects within programmes
 4. Sort by start date, baseline, execute project



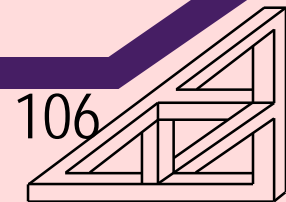
- Basic skills to navigate in the tool and manipulate elements of the project
 - Selecting & deleting
 - Re-sequencing tasks & inserting simple and recurrent tasks
- At the beginning of a project set-up the project's key info
 - The project information dialogue sets project start (and later status) date
 - We often link documentation to tasks (and resources and assignments)
 - EG To the project summary task
 - Set the Standard Calendar and working times
- Capture project's scope using appropriate analysis skills. Then record details of deliverables and tasks into MSPJ's Task-Column
 - Outlining with summaries (deliverable and/ or phase etc) & sub-tasks
 - Define a WBS code and outline codes
 - Record dictionary information (link to product & process standards)





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- Some time to explore elements of the controls and ideas in the last chapter
 - The Project Info Window
 - Calendars and Working Times
 - Linking documentation
 - Entering, Selecting, Moving, Inserting, Deleting Tasks
 - Outlining with Summary & Sub-Tasks
 - Adding notes for WBS Dictionary entries
 - Recurrent Tasks
 - WBS Coding, Outline Codes & Lookup Tables
- If using these materials for self-study then consider: LEARNING only occurs when you reflect and experiment with what you've just read
 - Stop and play with the capabilities discussed: just reading WON'T equip you for the difficulties ahead ☹

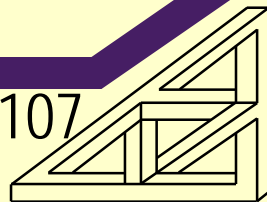




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 - www.logicalmodel.net
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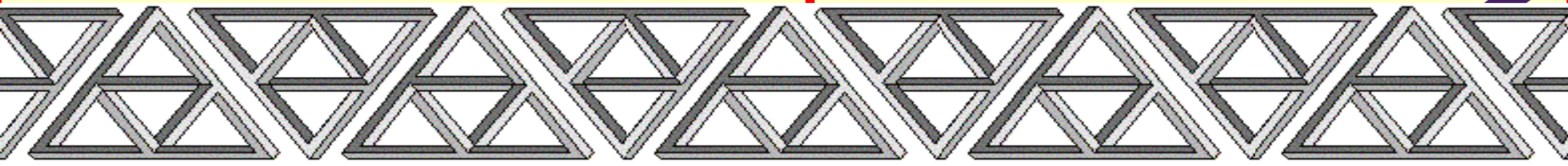
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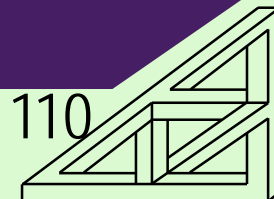
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- Lesson 4

Lesson 4: Building The Network With Dependencies

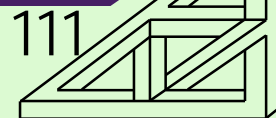


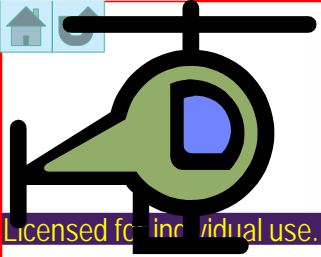


Objectives

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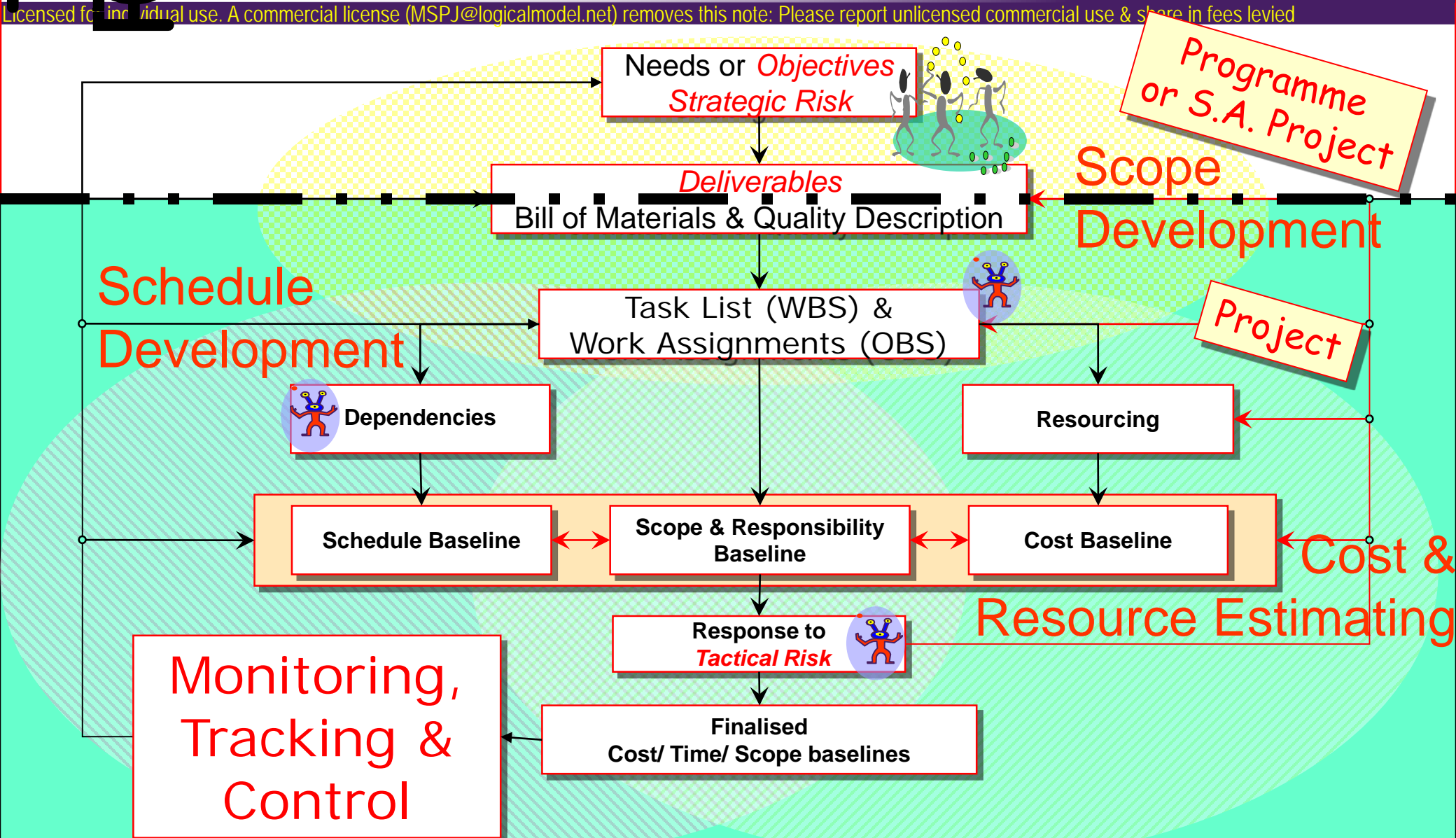
- Give 'real-world' context for development and maintenance of project baselines
 - Must match Quality Management System processes
 - Precedence network construction must capture activity dependencies
- Use MSPJ capabilities to model and manipulate task inter-dependencies
 - Create milestones
 - Creating dependencies via MSPJ's Gantt & network views
 - FS, SS, FF and SF* plus Lag, Lead and scheduling constraints
 - Over-Coming an MSPJ limitation: creating Hammock tasks
 - Redefine elements of default Views and using the relationship view
- Exercise: To practice creating PDM networks
- Entering a task's details with task entry view
 - Introduction to the mechanics of Task-Type and Effort-driven scheduling
- Case Study: Apply learning to define the Case-Study project





Development and Maintenance of Project Baseline

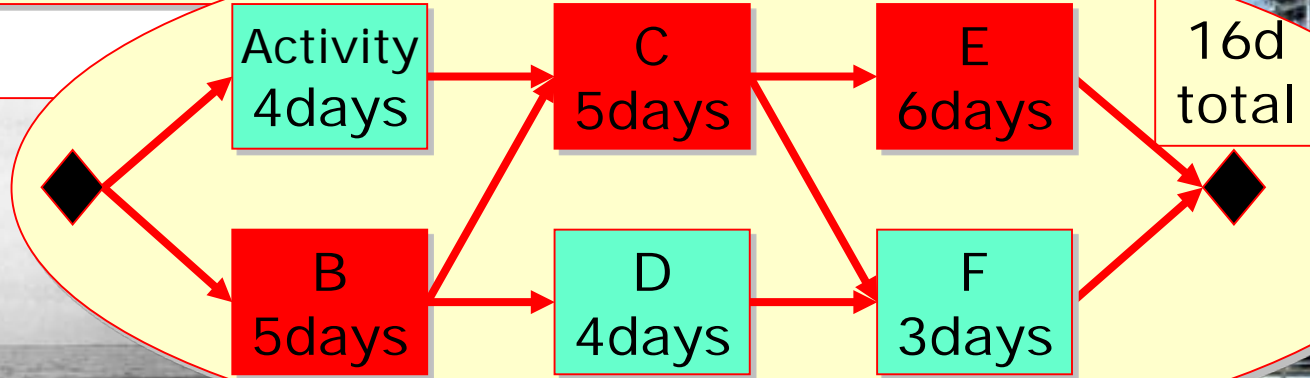
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Origins of Network Scheduling

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Program Evaluation and Review Technique (PERT)

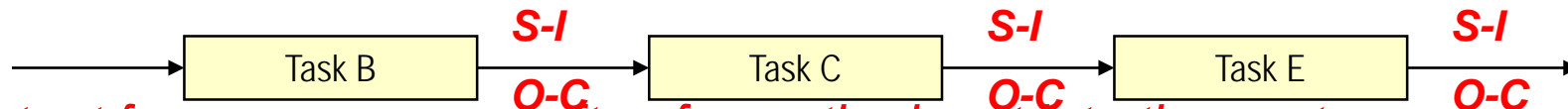
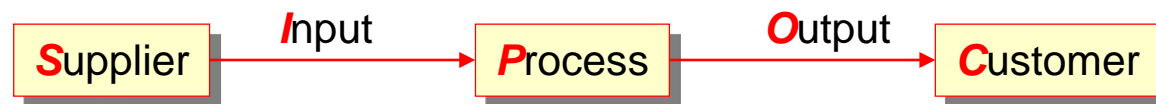


Critical Path Method (CPM) aka Precedence Diagram Method (PDM)

Process Approach

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- Most modern management is founded on “Use defined processes”*
- Systematic identification and management of the *processes* employed within an organisation *leads to repeatable performance levels*
 - Including the interactions between the processes

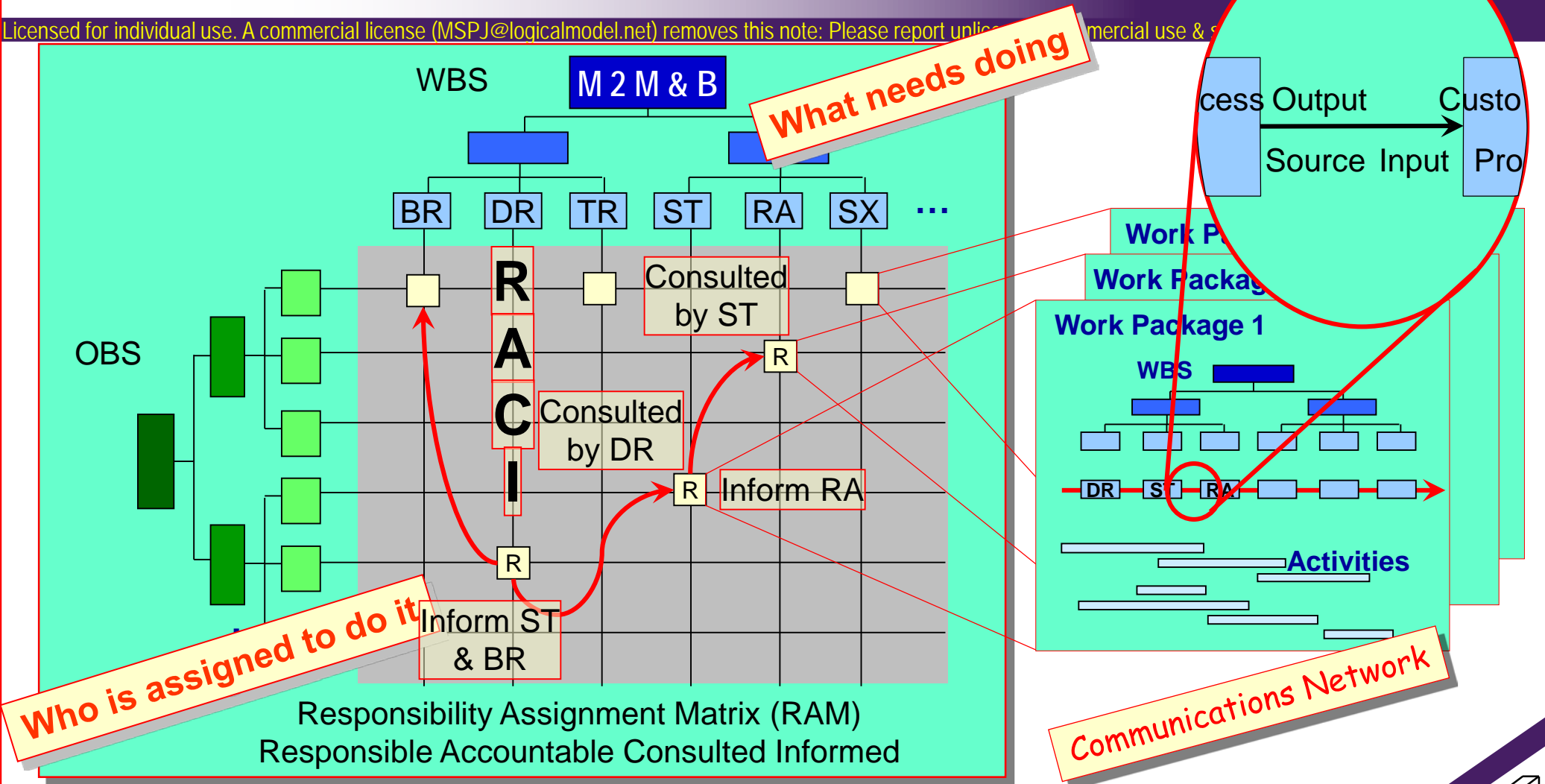


- *Output from one process often forms the input into the next process*
- *Processes define how* resources, information, tasks and behaviours are combined and managed *to produce results*
 - Any activity, or set of activities, that uses resources to transform inputs to outputs can be considered as a process



One Processes Output Is Another's Input

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SIPOC Example With Quality Measures

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- Network diagram and SIPOC concepts should be used to ensure needs of recipient and intentions of supplier are equivalent (identical?)

Receive Customer's Order				
Supplier	Input	Process	Output	Customer
Customer	Dishes required	Capture Order Cook Despatch Food Pass-on Payment	Food	Customer
	Delivery address		Free Fizzy drink	
	Delivery Time			
	Payment		Money	Finance Dept
Whole-Saler	Flour		Provision	Logistics Manager
	Eggs		Low Note	
	Foil-Dishes			
Garage	Delivery Staff Petrol			

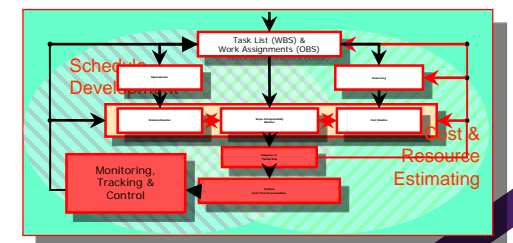
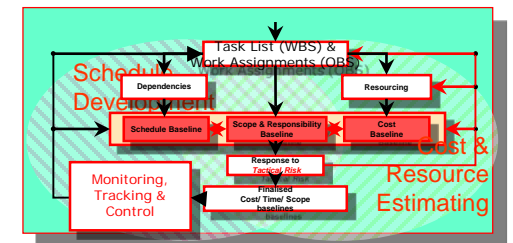
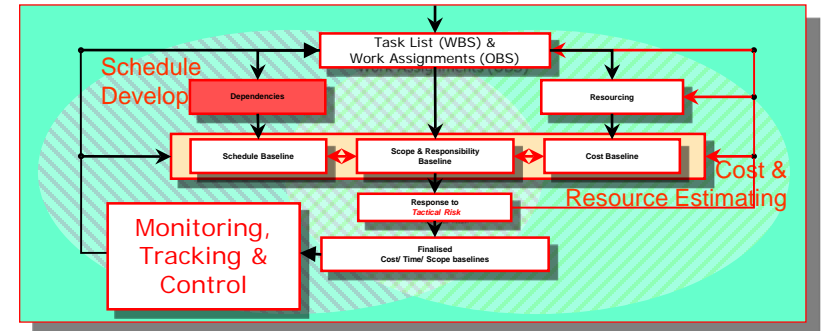
Cash Handling				
Supplier	Input	Process	Output	Customer
Shop-Staff	Cash from customer	Pay Cash into Bank	Money	Payroll
Delivery Staff	Cash from customer			



Network Construction Steps

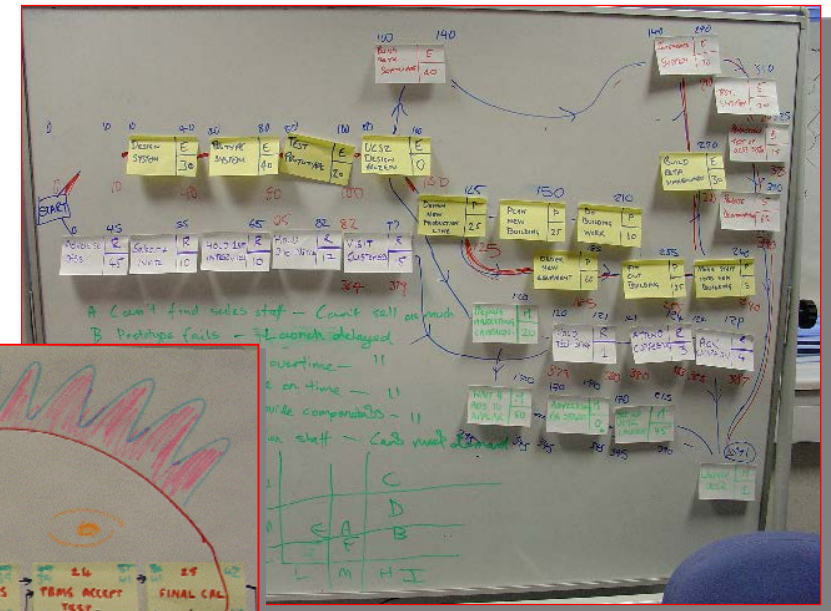
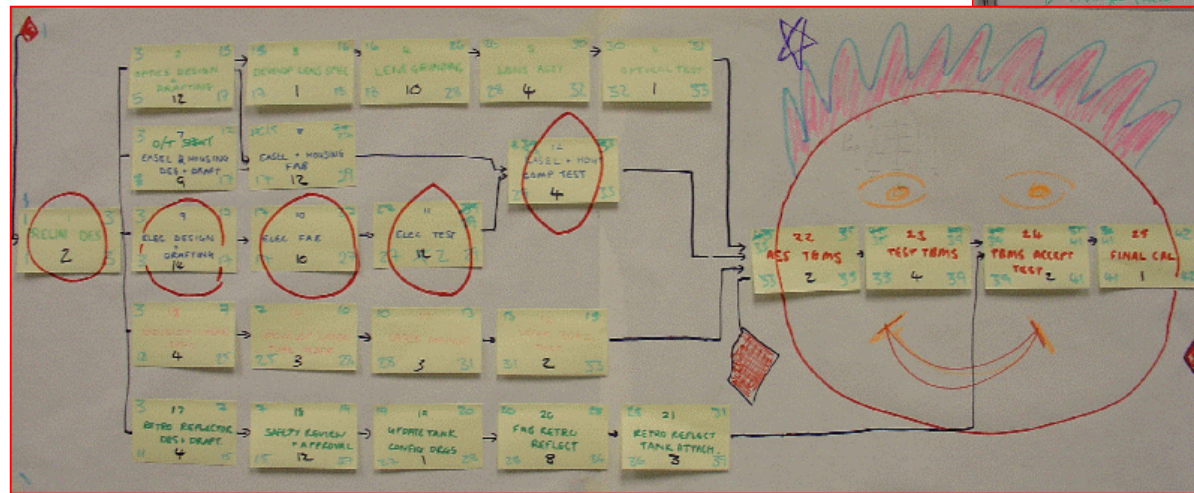
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- After tasks and resources are entered
 - Enter dependencies and constraints
 - Enter work (or duration)
 - Assign Resources
 - *Correct MSPJ's calculation of effort over time*
- Compute critical path and resource under and over allocations
 - Apply crashing, fast-tracking, resource substitutions
 - Smooth and levelling
- Baseline and track progress
 - *Where progress is not to plan repeat the above!*
 - *Re-plan to consolidate gains & address problems*





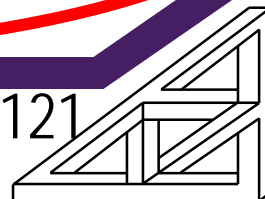
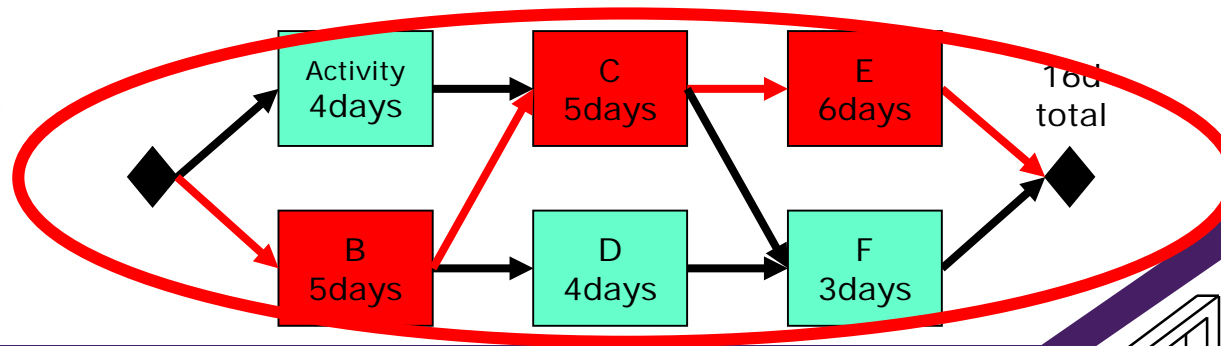
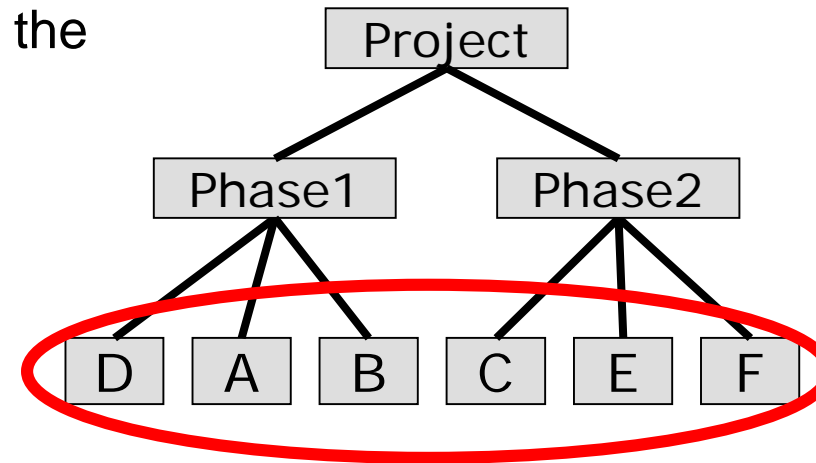
- Done right planning establishes shared understanding and mutual appreciation
 - People have fun and fun projects get delivered
- To build a shared consciousness requires cooperative, social problem definition
 - Motivation results from 1) involvement that promotes 2) understanding plus the freedom to 3) debate the best solution



Rules for Creating Networks

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- Standard advise says “Take *just* the *activities* in the WBS to arrange in dependency order”
 - [In MSPJ we can arrange the summary or Planning-Packages tasks too]
- Begin and end with a milestone
 - Milestones at any key coordination point
 - Milestones at completion of key deliverables
- The network includes all Work and Planning Packages from the WBS
 - When Planning Packages are elaborated the network is extended





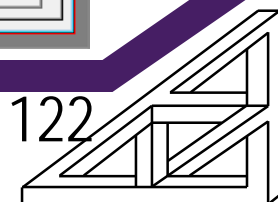
Milestones In MSPJ

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- Any task with zero duration is shown on the MSPJ Gantt as a Milestone
 - So is any task whose *Task-Information / Advanced / Mark task as Milestone*
 - Default is a “◆” at task Start
 - I recommend you DON'T set tasks as Milestones unless you change the Bar Style to show duration (explained later)
- Add milestones at all points where coordination or review and approval is key
 - Milestones are recognition of tests applied and passed

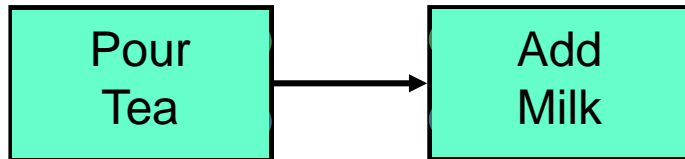
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Task Name	Duration	Start Date	End Date
Project7	10 days	01 Jan '01	11 Jan '01
Authorisation	0 days	01/01	01/01
MilestoneTask	10 days	01/01	11 Jan '01
Finish	0 days	01/01	01/01

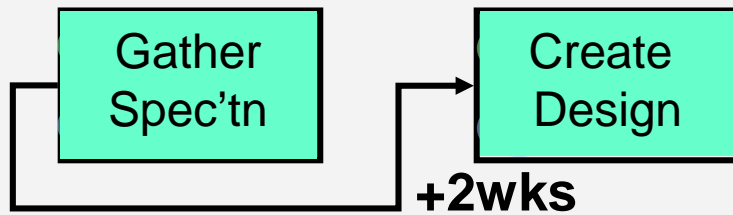
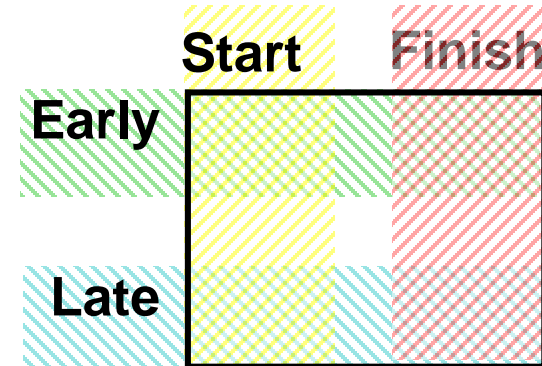


Calculating Dependencies

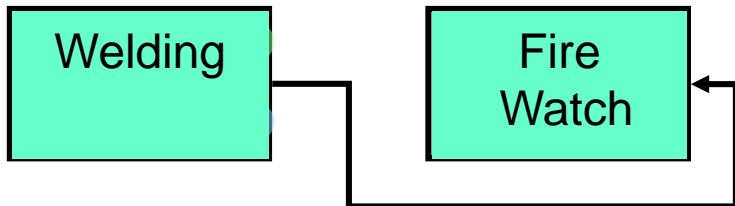
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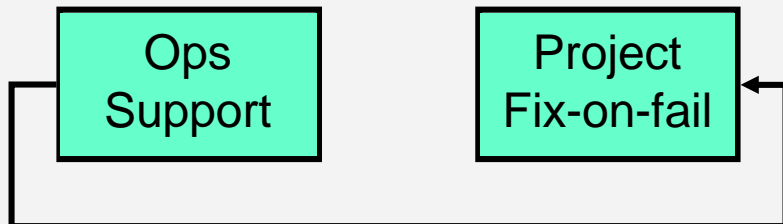
Finish-i permits start-j
Normal Relationship



Start-i permits Start-j
Commonly an optimisation of a more detailed underlying set of F-S relationships



Finish-i permits Finish-j
Rare. Usually end of monitoring activity



Start-i permits Finish-j
Rare. Usually handover on acceptance

There is no timescale in a network diagram

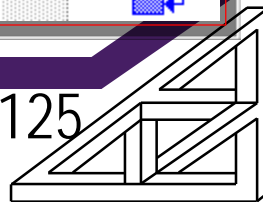


Scheduling Requires Describing Dependencies

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- **Without dependencies all the power of MSPJ is lost***
- Every task's starting and finishing dependencies should be set
 - Limiting case is project (or summary task) start and finish milestones
- Three of the possible dependencies must be specifically 'spelt-out' to MSPJ
 - FF – Finish of one task caused the end of some other task
 - SF – Start of a task terminates something else
 - SS – Start of something also starts something else
 - The default is understood by MSPJ: FS – Finish one task and start the next
- Dependencies may have delays and overlaps
 - Possible to create complex, meaningless dependencies

task1	1 day?	30/06/2008	30/06/2008		3
task2	1 day?	01/07/2008	01/07/2008	2	
task3	1 day?	30/06/2008	30/06/2008		5SS
task4	1 day?	30/06/2008	30/06/2008	4SS	
task5	1 day?	30/06/2008	30/06/2008		7FF
task6	1 day?	30/06/2008	30/06/2008	6FF	
task7	3 days	30/06/2008	02/07/2008		9
task8	1 day?	03/07/2008	03/07/2008	8	10SF
task9	1 day?	02/07/2008	03/07/2008	9SF	

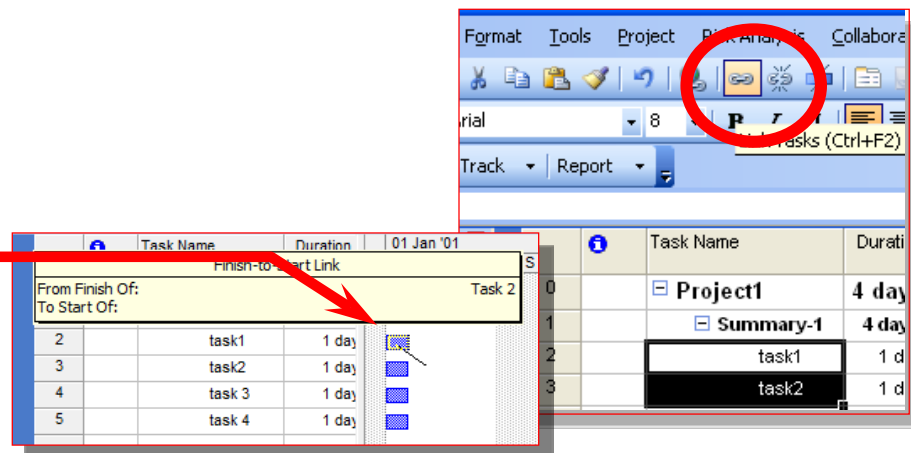




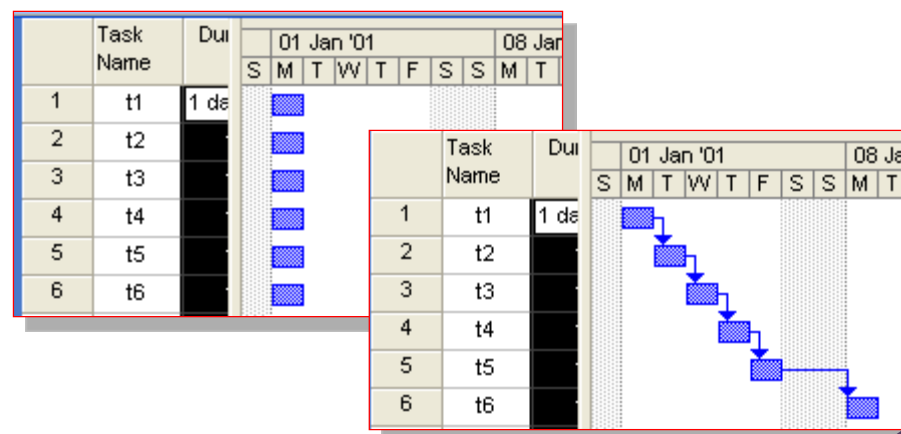
Linking Via The Gantt View

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- Select two tasks
 - *Click* the first, *Ctrl-Click* the second
 - *Click* 'Link-Tasks' or type *Ctrl-F2*
 - or *Drag between their Gantt bars*
- Start by dragging downward IE Take care not to drag the task's dates!



- To create a sequence of FS dependencies
 - *Click+Drag* to select a set of tasks
 - *Click* 'Link-Tasks' or use *Ctrl-F2*
 - Tasks are linked 'top to bottom' if selected with shift or dragging
 - Task are linked in order selected if selected with *Ctrl*



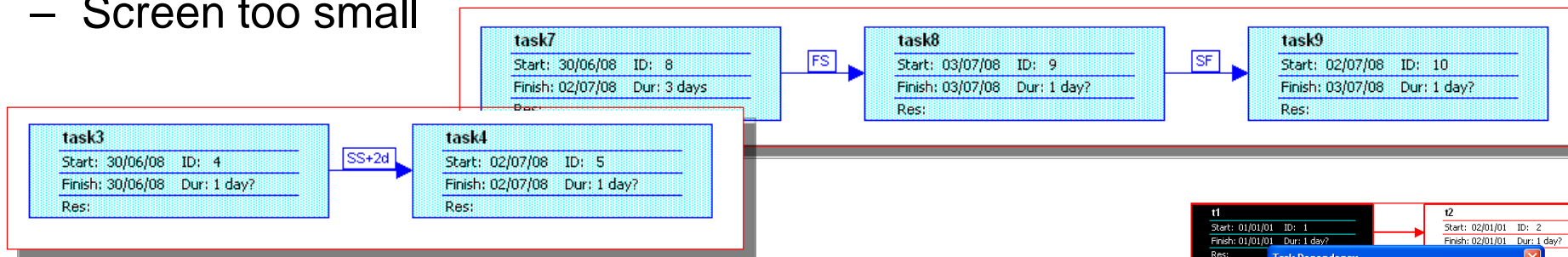


Linking Via The Network View

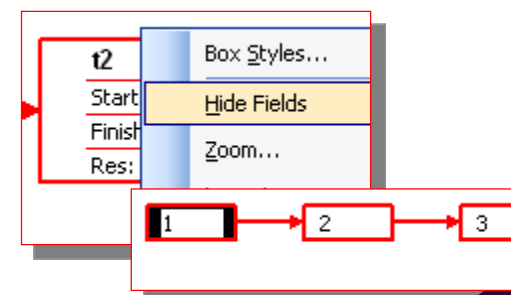
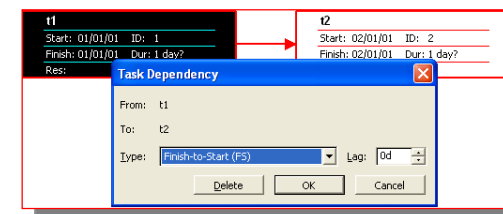
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- Network view SHOULD be the best tools – IMHO* it is ‘awkward’ !

- Graphics cannot show correct dependency layout
- Screen too small

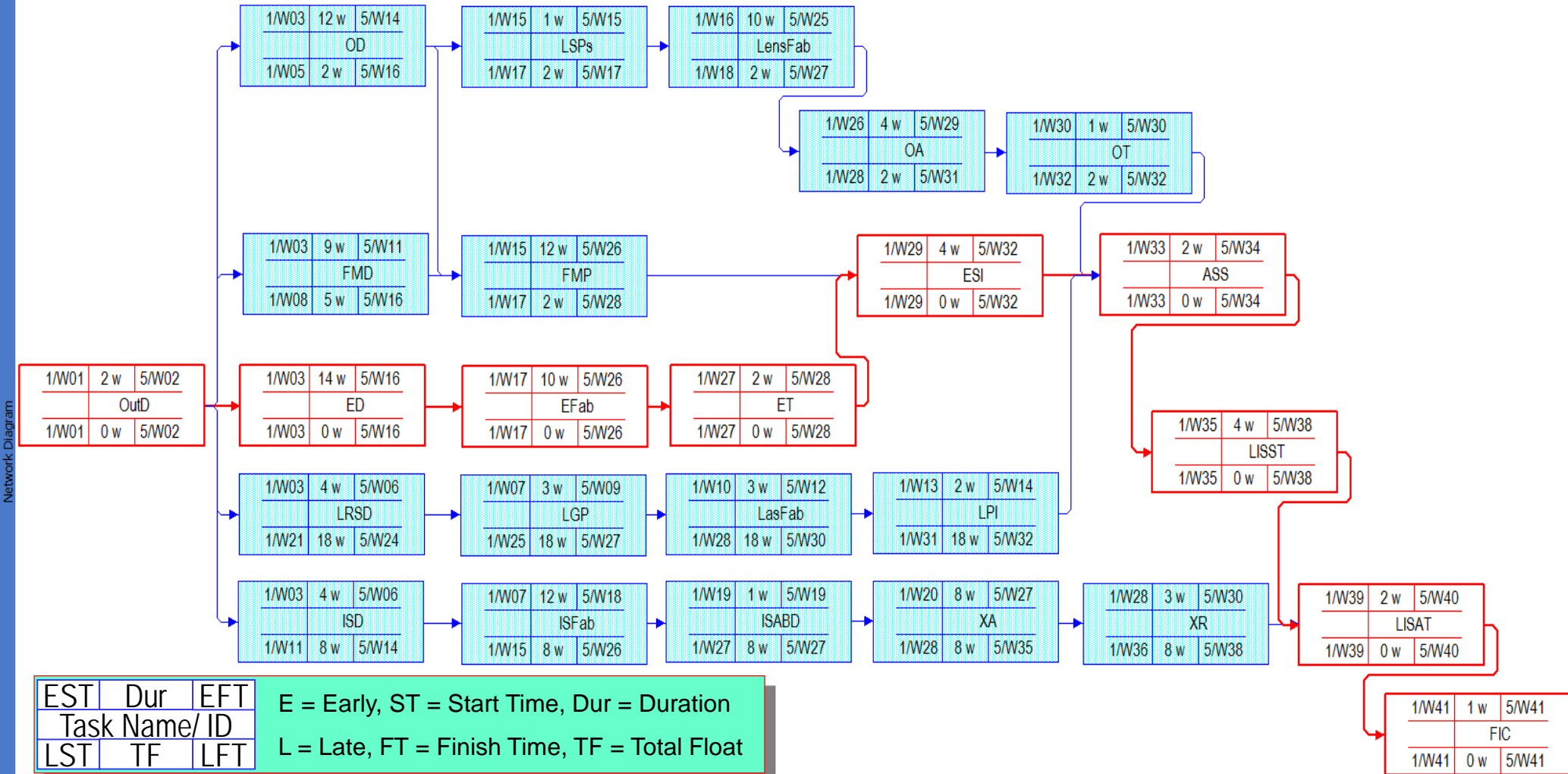


- To link tasks click in one task and drag to the other
 - FS dependency created (double-click the link to change)
- To show just ID *Right-Click* background | ‘Hide Fields’
 - Hover the cursor over a node to expand it
 - Useful to define a Box-Style of just ‘Name’ (Details shortly)
- Tasks can be added by Click & drag the background



An AON Network Example

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Classic Activity on the Node Network Syntax

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- Activities recorded in boxes
Durations, dependencies, resulting start, implied finish dates and total float
- Conventional layout shows the options available when scheduling
 - Earliest possible means “when honouring constraints”
 - Latest possible means “and still achieving the critical path”
 - Acceptable delay means “difference between Earliest and Latest”

Early Start Time	Duration	Early Finish Time
Task Name (WBS Id)		
Late Start Time	Total Float	Late Finish Time

Start Monday AM	3 Elapsed Days	Finish Wednesday PM
Build Wall		
Start Wednesday AM	2 Elapsed Days	Finish Friday PM





Creating the Classic Syntax*

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- Start with *View / Network Diagram* and *Right-Click* the background

Cell-layout sets up the grid

Choose-cells determines content

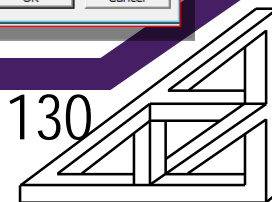
Then 'OK' to create

Then apply

- Customising the Gantt also starts with Right-Clicking the background

* Also follow these steps but with 1 row 1 column Cell-Layout to create something economical with screen space.

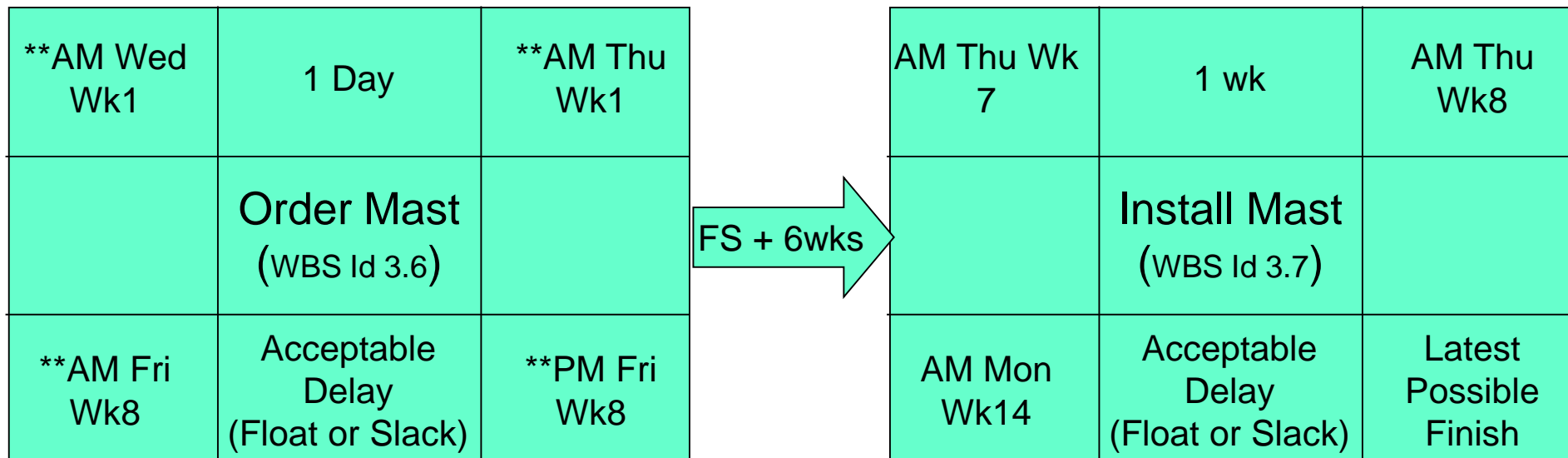
Assign just Name as the cell's contents for transcribing workshop results into the software



Lead and Lag Dependency Constraint Modifiers

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- Dependencies may be subject to delays (“lag”) and overlaps (“lead”)
 - EG The lag while waiting for a ‘long-lead-time’ item*
- Lead time is overlap between tasks that have a dependency
- Lag time is a delay between tasks that have a dependency



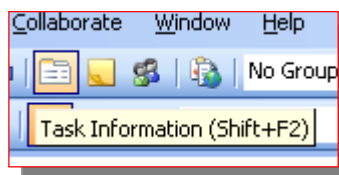


By Default MSPJ ONLY Creates FS Dependencies

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- All dependencies can be created and delays and accelerations included

- Open a task's *Task-Information*



| *Predecessor-Tab*

- Or add the predecessor column to any table and use 'modifiers' to spell-out dependency type SS, SF, FF

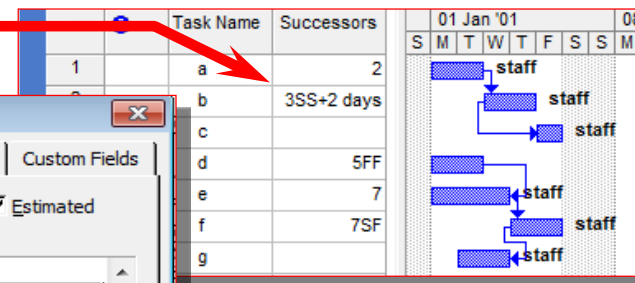
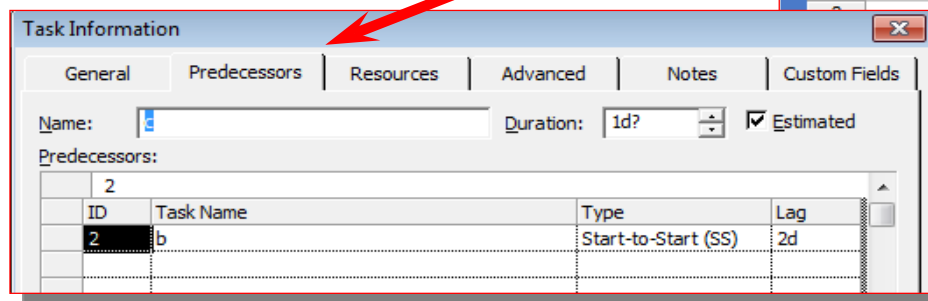
- Use "+" or "-" for Lag & Lead

- Lead = overlap

- Lead is -ve

- Lag = delay

- Lag +ve



- Updates via *Task-Information* applied to all currently selected tasks





Entering Lag and Lead

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- Lag and Lead can be typed directly into the Predecessor (etc) column of any suitable table

- As a duration EG “1” or “1wk”

t2	3 days	03/07/2008	07/07/2008	11		13
t3	3 days	08/07/2008	10/07/2008	12	4FS-1 eday	
t4	3 days	10/07/2008	14/07/2008	13FS-1 eday		15
t5	3 days	15/07/2008	17/07/2008	14		16
t6	3 days	18/07/2008	22/07/2008	15		

- As elapsed EG “-1ed”
 - ‘Elapsed’ will affect scheduling

3		c	FS+2 edays			5
4		c				5
5		e	4FS+2 days			6

- As a %age duration

t2	3 days	08/07/2008	10/07/2008	12	14FS-33%	
t4	3 days	10/07/2008	15/07/2008	13FS-33%		15
t5	3 days	15/07/2008	18/07/2008	14		16

- Lag & lead apply between two tasks

- Possible to also have delays between a task’s dates and an assignment’s dates





Changing and Deleting Links

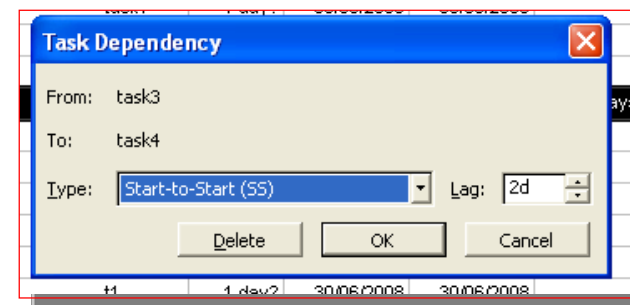
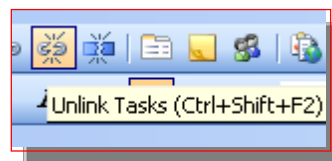
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- Delete links by selecting the predecessor cell and type *Delete*

h	Predecessors	Resource Names	28 Mar '04
ar '04	19		S M T W T F S S
ar '04	20	Concrete contractor	Concrete contractor
ar '04	21	Concrete contractor	Concrete contractor
ar '04	22,17	Inspector	Inspector
pr '04	23	Site excavation cont	Site ex

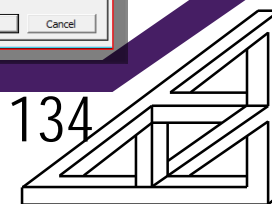
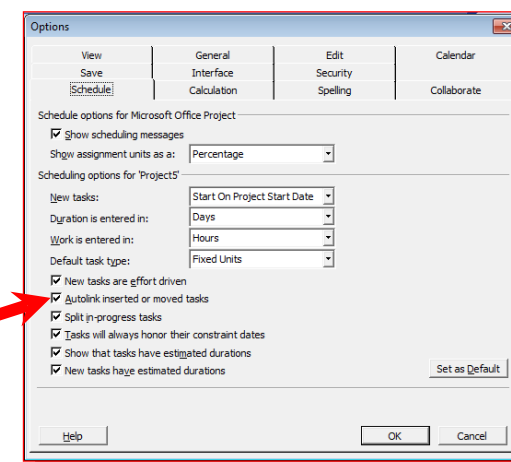
- *Double-Click* links to change or *Delete* them

- The *Un-Link* button removes all links from a task!



- Automatic linking

- *Tools | Options | Schedule-Tab | Autolink Inserted or Moved Tasks*



Creating Hammock Dependencies 1/2

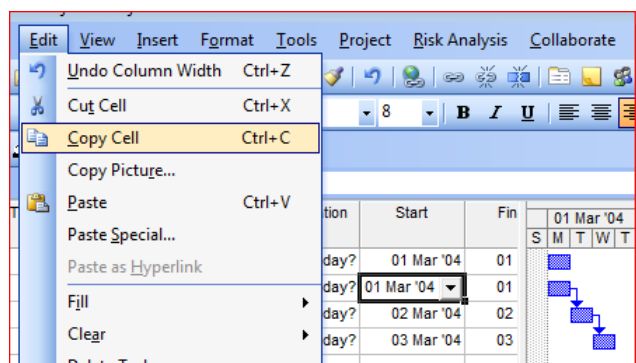
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- A hammock task is one whose start date and finish date are dependant on (linked to) other tasks

- Start point: An unlinked hammock (“Manage”) and its dependencies

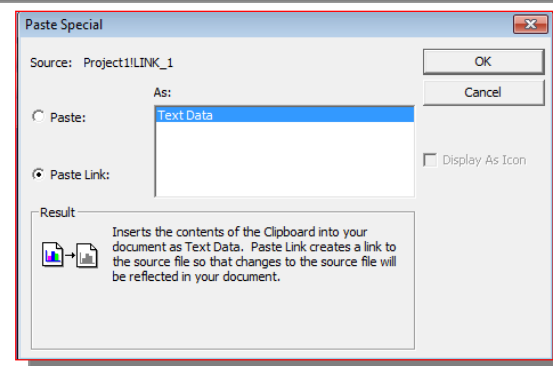
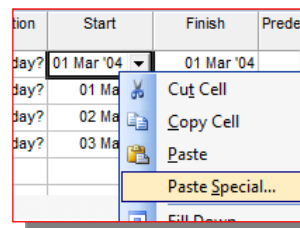
Gantt Chart	Task Name	Duration	Start	Finish	Prede	01 Mar '04													
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	1	Manage	1 day?	01 Mar '04	01 Mar '04														
	2	Requirements	1 day?	01 Mar '04	01 Mar '04														
	3	Design	1 day?	02 Mar '04	02 Mar '04	2													
	4	Build	1 day?	03 Mar '04	03 Mar '04	3													

- Step-1: Copy the Start-Date of the first task



Gantt Chart		Task Name	Duration	Start	Finish	Predecessors	01/03/04													
							S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S					
	1	Manage	1 day?	01 Mar '04	01 Mar '04															
	2	Requirements	1 day?	01 Mar '04	01 Mar '04															
	3	Design	1 day?																	
	4	Build	1 day?																	
	 Cut Cell																			
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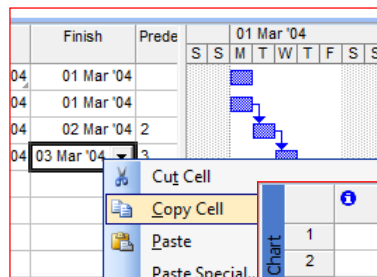
- Step-2: Paste-Special into the dependant hammock task



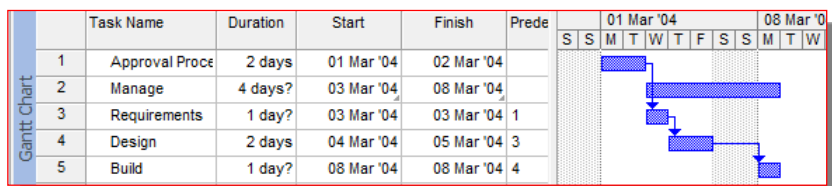
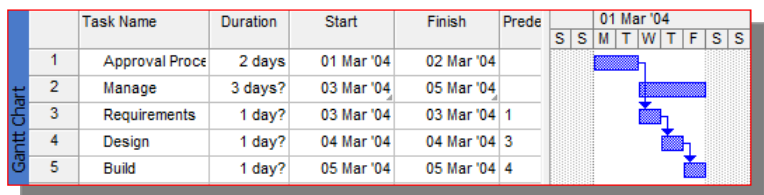
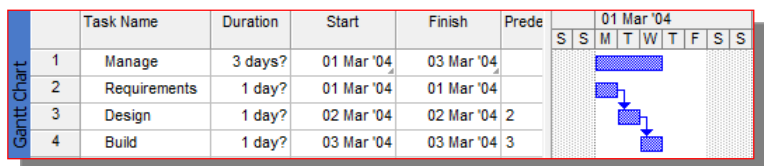
Creating Hammock Dependencies 2/2

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- Step-3 & 4: Repeat procedures for End-date of last task
- The result is a task whose dates and duration depends on the contained tasks



Task Name	Duration	Start	Finish	Predecessors
1 Manage	1 day?	01 Mar '04	01 Mar '04	
2 Requirements	1 day?	01 Mar '04	01 Mar '04	
3 Design	1 day?	02 Mar '04	02 Mar '04	2
4 Build	1 day?	03 Mar '04	03 Mar '04	3



Paste Special

Source: Project1\LINK_3

As: Text Data

☐ Paste:

☒ Paste Link:

☐ Display As Icon

Result

Inserts the contents of the Clipboard into your document as Text Data. Paste Link creates a link to the source file so that changes to the source file will be reflected in your document.

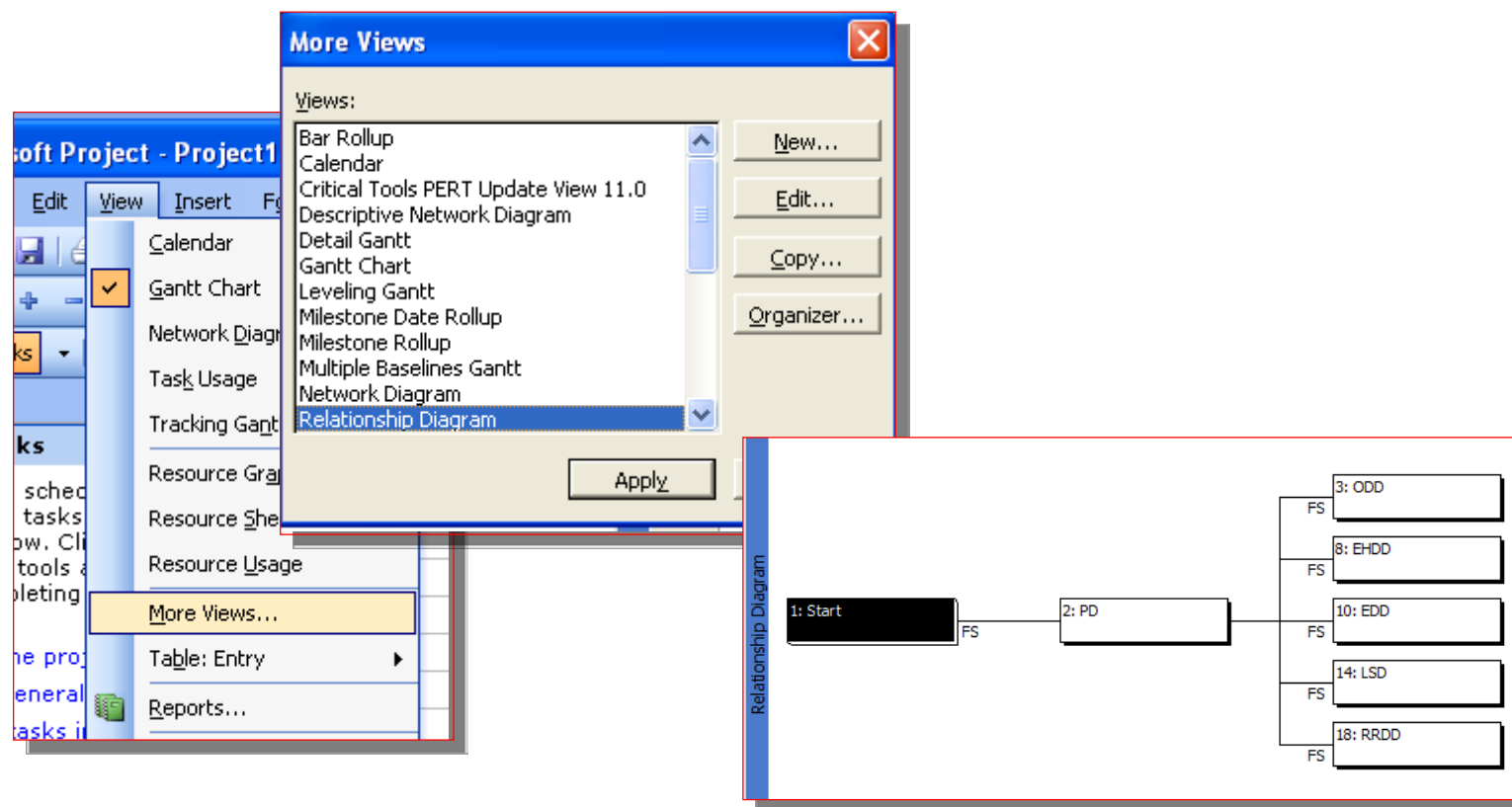
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Relationship View

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- To see all the links a task has use the relationship view
 - Views | More Views | Relationships*

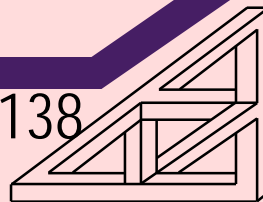




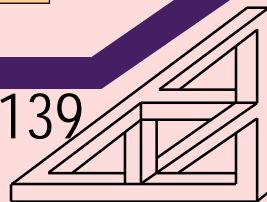
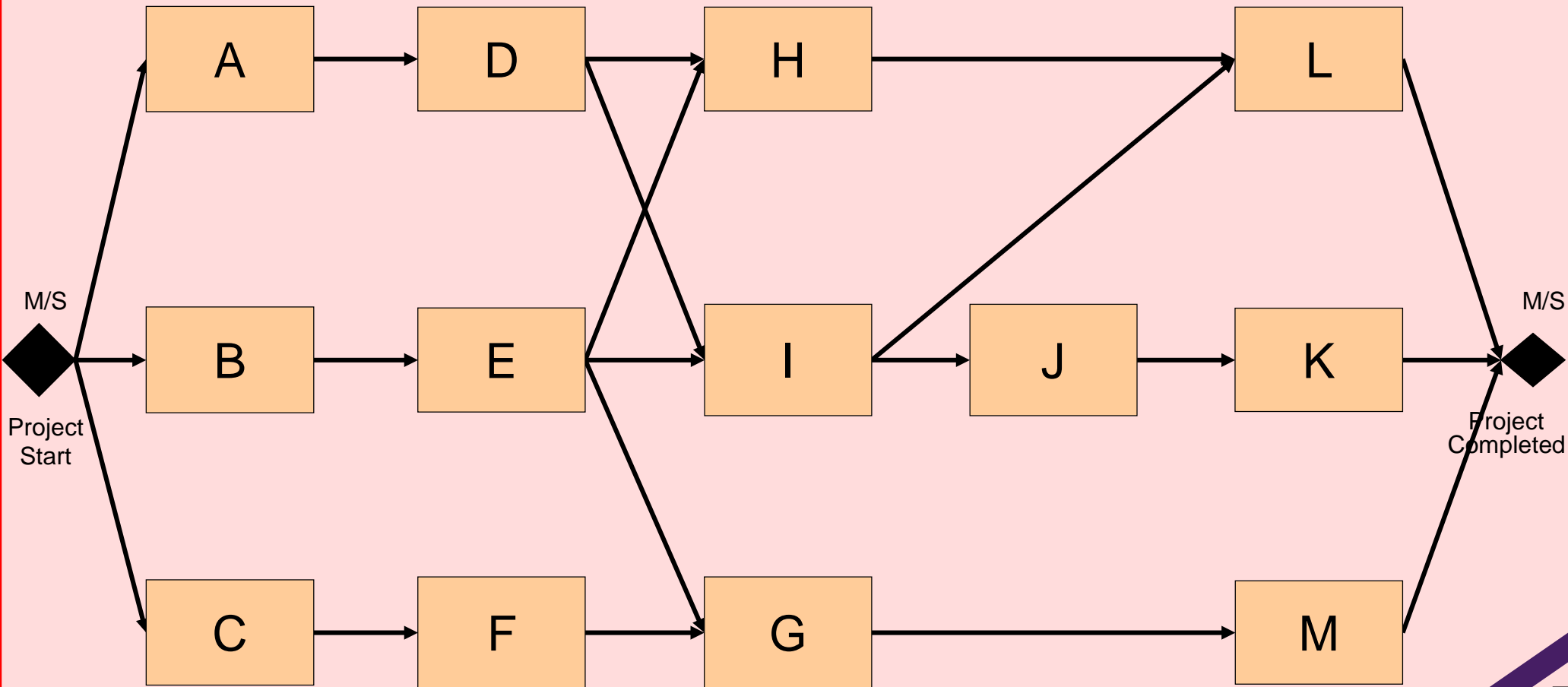
Exercise-1: PDM (By Hand)

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- We will practice this in MSPJ before tackling a Case-Study's tasks etc.
- **Step 1:** Open MSPJ, create a new project file, and enter the list of tasks
 - **Step 2:** Link them using a variety of the techniques discussed so far
- The logic described results in the **network on the next slide**:
 - The project is started with activities A, B, and C together
 - Activity H before activity L and Activity B before activity E
 - Activity A before activity D and Activity D before activities H and I
 - Activity I before activity J and L
 - The project is completed after parallel activities L, K, and M are completed
 - Activity G before activity M while Activity F before activity G and the Finish of activity E before the start of activities H, I, and G
 - Finally Activity J before activity K and Activity C before activity F



- Start with A, B, and C together.,
 - H before L & B before E, A before D
 - D before H & I, I before J & L
- The project is completed after parallel L, K, and M are completed
 - G before M, F before G and E before H, I, and G
 - Finally J before K and C before F

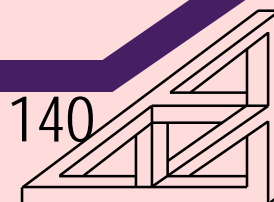




Exercise-1: PDM (In MSPJ)

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- 'Ex-1 PDM Tasks.mpp' is a start point & 'Ex-1 PDM Solution.mpp' as it says!
 - The two Ex-1.txt files have 'cut-n-paste'-able content if you want to save on typing!
- Possible steps
 - Select *Gantt View* and enter list of tasks
 - Add links by edit to the *Predecessor* column
 - Add links by click-drag
 - Delete and change links
 - Switch to *Network Diagram View*
 - Add links by click and drag
 - Hide fields
 - Set layout to manual and explore other options
 - Define classic and or name only views
 - Switch to *Relationship View* and scroll through tasks



Exercise Solutions and Further Experimentation

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1

	Task Name	Duration
1	Start	0 days
2	A	1 day?
3	B	1 day?
4	C	1 day?
5	D	1 day?
6	E	1 day?
7	F	1 day?
8	G	1 day?
9	H	1 day?
10	I	1 day?

2

Box Styles...
 Hide Fields
 Zoom...
 Layout...
 Layout Now
 Layout Select
 Split

3

Box Styles...
 Hide Fields
 Zoom...
 Layout...
 Layout Now
 Layout Select
 Split

Layout
 Layout Mode
☒ Automatically position all boxes ☐ Allow manual box positioning
 Box Layout
 Arrangement: Top Down From Left
 Row: Alignment: Center Spacing: 40 Height: Best Fit
 Column: Alignment: Center Spacing: 60 Width: Best Fit
☒ Show summary tasks ☐ Adjust for page breaks
☒ Keep tasks with their summaries
 Link style
☒ Rectilinear ☐ Straight ☐ Curved
☒ Show arrows ☐ Show link labels
 Link color
☒ Noncritical links: Blue ☐ Critical links: Red
☐ Match predecessor box border
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☐ Show page breaks ☐ Hide all fields except ID
☒ Mark in-progress and completed
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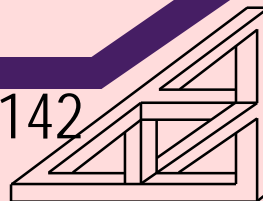
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 Layout Select
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Ex-2 (Optnl): House Build Planning Packages Network

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- Imagine we have just finished a scoping workshop for a house move
 - The result is 4 planning packages
 - The next task is to document them in the planning tool
- The results are on the next slide
 - Package names have been pre-typed in-to the text file
'Ex-2 HouseBuildPlanningPackages.txt'
(Caution! Check task names, and sequences against next slide)
 - What differences did you find and why are they present?
 - Open the file in Notepad then cut and paste the names into MSPJ
Later we will import data from files in other ways
 - Create the planning packages (and optionally link Planning Packages)
 - Link the work-packages
 - How many valid ways are there to model the dependencies?



Ex-2: The House Build Planning Packages

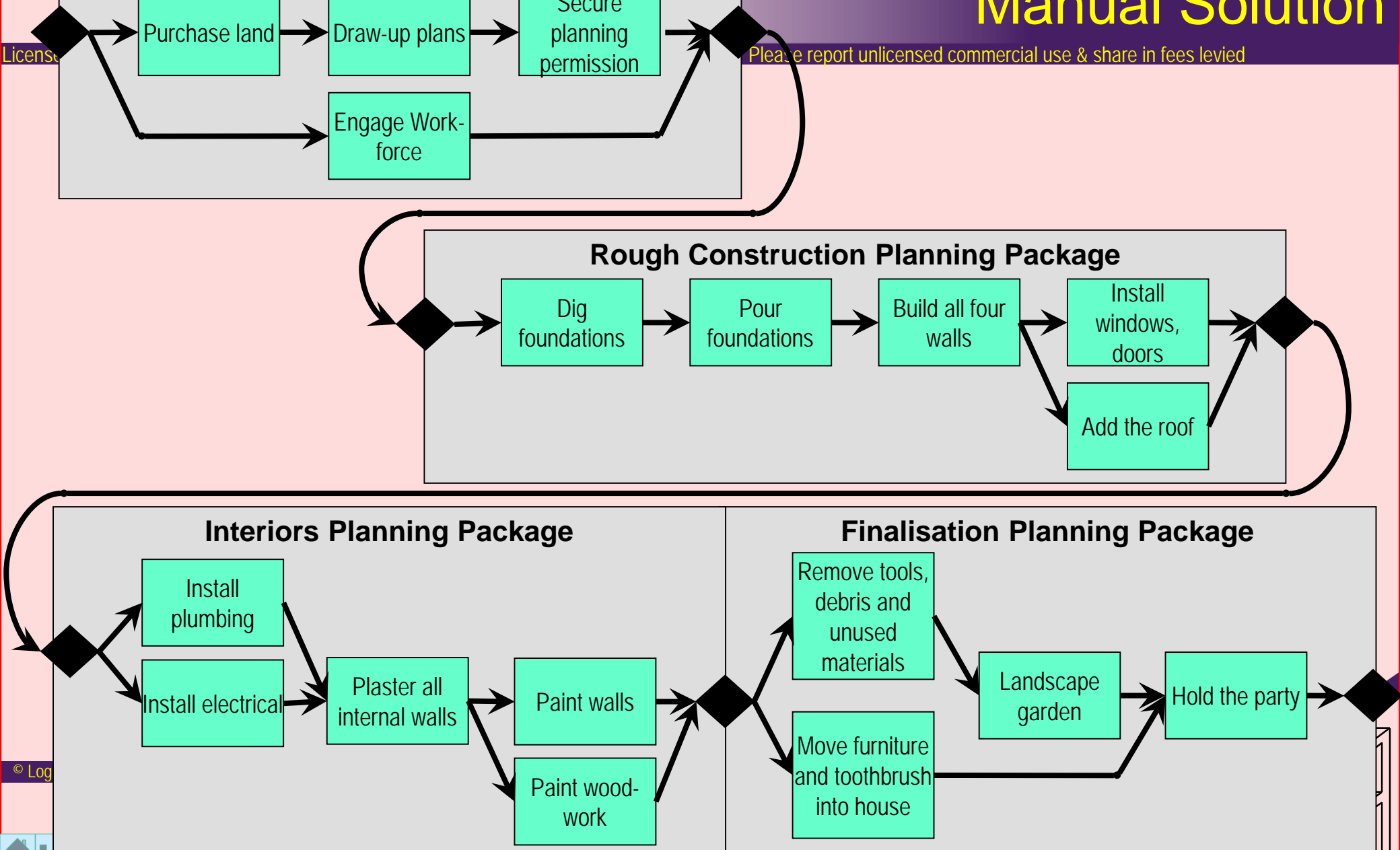
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- Preparation Planning Package
 - First purchase the land. Then we secure planning permission but after having an architect draw-up plans. In parallel with the architect's work engage the work-force: Excavator driver, cement company (for foundations), Brick-layers (walls), Carpenters, Plumbers, Roofers, Electricians and Painters
- Rough Construction PP
 - Dig the foundations then pour foundations and wait for them to set. Build all four walls in parallel, leave holes for installing windows and doors. When the walls are done install windows, doors and add the roof
- Interior Construction PP
 - When weather proof then install electrical and install plumbing services. When services are done then plaster all internal walls then paint walls and paint wood-work in parallel
- Finalisation PP
 - Remove tools, debris and unused materials then Landscape garden. Move furniture and toothbrush into house, Hold the party

Ex-2: Build a House Manual Solution

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Ex-2: Partial Answers (MSPJ)

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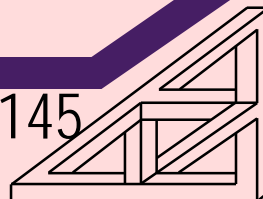
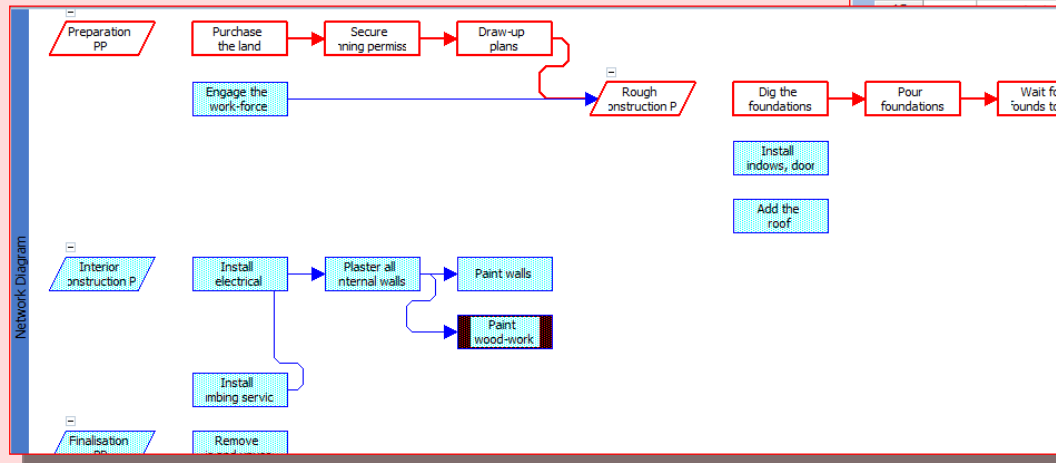
- Steps as previous exercise PLUS experiment with links between planning package
 - Try sorting tasks

	Task Name	Duration	Start	Finish	Precedes	01 Jan '01													
						S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S					
1	Preparation PP	1 day?	01 Jan '01	01 Jan '01															
2	Purchase the land	1 day?	01 Jan '01	01 Jan '01															
3	Secure planning permis	1 day?	01 Jan '01	01 Jan '01															
4	Draw-up plans	1 day?	01 Jan '01	01 Jan '01															
5	Engage the work-force	1 day?	01 Jan '01	01 Jan '01															
6	Rough Construction PP	1 day?	01 Jan '01	01 Jan '01															
7	Dig the foundations	1 day?	01 Jan '01	01 Jan '01															
8	Pour foundations	1 day?	01 Jan '01	01 Jan '01															
9	Wait for founds to set	1 day?	01 Jan '01	01 Jan '01															
10	Build four walls	1 day?	01 Jan '01	01 Jan '01															
11	Install windows, doors	1 day?	01 Jan '01	01 Jan '01															
12	Add the roof	1 day?	01 Jan '01	01 Jan '01															
13	Interior Construction P	1 day?	01 Jan '01	01 Jan '01															
14	Install electrical	1 day?	01 Jan '01	01 Jan '01															
	Plumbing service	1 day?	01 Jan '01	01 Jan '01															
	Plaster all internal walls	1 day?	01 Jan '01	01 Jan '01															
	Paint walls	1 day?	01 Jan '01	01 Jan '01															
	Paint wood-work	1 day?	01 Jan '01	01 Jan '01															
	Interior PP	1 day?	01 Jan '01	01 Jan '01															
	Tools, debris a	1 day?	01 Jan '01	01 Jan '01															
	Scrape garden	1 day?	01 Jan '01	01 Jan '01															
	Furniture and too	1 day?	01 Jan '01	01 Jan '01															
	Party	1 day?	01 Jan '01	01 Jan '01															

Gantt Chart

Pour foundations

Wait for founds to set





Task Name	01 Jan '01							08 Jan '01							15 Jan '01							01 Jan '01							08 Jan '01							15 Jan '01						
	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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Planning-package dependencies and work-package within planning-package (best?)

Work-packages linked to Planning-package starts

Work-package links only (Commonest?)



Adding Scheduling Constraints

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- DO NOT enter task dates
 - Use dependencies, durations and constraints
- Deadlines are just “Reminders”
 - But do restrict slack (float)
- ASAP As Soon As Possible
 - Default scheduling regime
- ALAP As Late As Possible
 - Default if project scheduled from the end-date
 - Tasks may have date constraints EG from the contract
 - {Start or Finish} NO {Earlier or Later} THAN
 - MUST {Start or Finish} ON

Task Information

General | Predecessors | Resources | Advanced | Notes | Custom Fields

Name: task7 Duration: 3d ☐ Estimated

Constrain task

Deadline: NA

Constraint type: As Soon As Possible

Task type: As Late As Possible

Calendar: As Soon As Possible

WBS code: Finish No Earlier Than

Earned value method: Finish No Later Than

☐ Mark task as milestone

Constraint date: NA

☒ Effort driven

☐ Scheduling ignores resource calendars

Help OK Cancel



Setting and Checking Constraints

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- '*Constraint Dates*' view allows review and adjustment of all constraints
- Dragging a task in Gantt view sets constraints
 - Generally a bad idea
 - Detectable via the Note icon

The screenshot shows the Microsoft Project interface. The 'View' menu is open, and 'Gantt Chart' is selected. The 'More Tables' dialog box is open, showing a list of tables. 'Constraint Dates' is highlighted in the list. A red circle highlights the 'Note' icon in the Gantt Chart task list.

Task Name	Duration	Constraint Type	Constraint Date
0 Project1	20.01 days?	Soon As Possible	NA
1 Summary-1	20.01 days?	As Soon As Possible	NA
2 task1	1 day?	Must Start On	30/06/2008
3 task2	1 day?	As Soon As Possible	NA
4 task3	1 day?	As Late As Possible	NA
5 task4	1 day?	As Soon As Possible	NA
6 task5	1 day?	Finish No Earlier Than	NA
		Finish No Later Than	NA
		Must Finish On	NA
		Must Start On	NA
		Start No Earlier Than	NA
		Start No Later Than	NA
		As Soon As Possible	NA

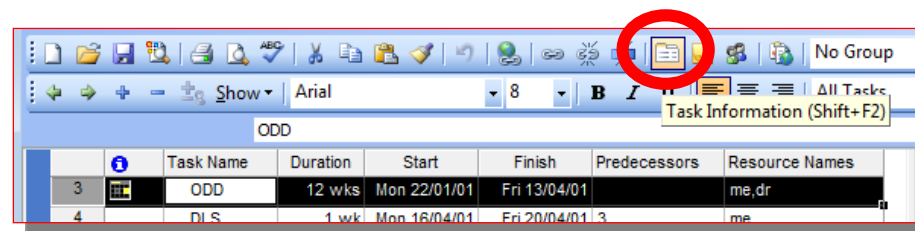




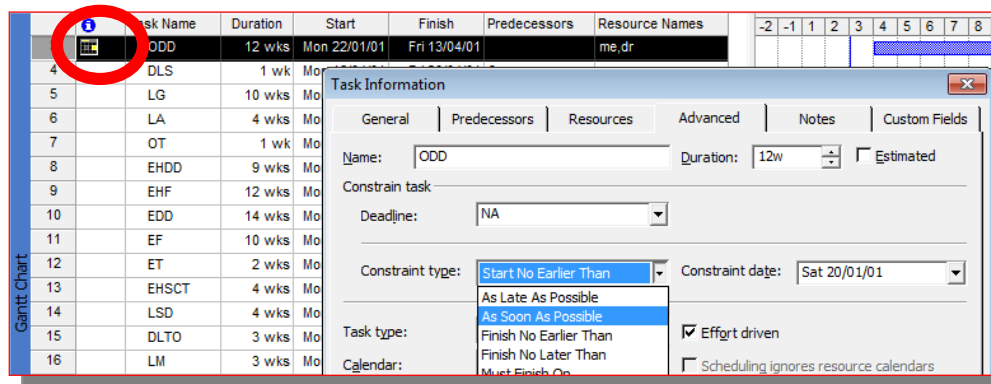
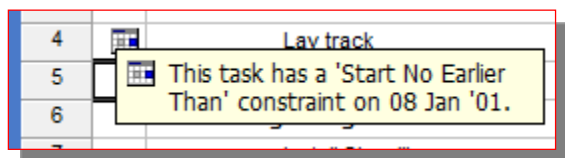
Reviewing Individual Task Constraints

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- Per task
 - The '*Task Information*' dialogue allows inspection and amendment of key facts



- Generally it is best to set any dragged task dates back to ASAP



- Then add 'appropriate' task definition to achieve schedule required





Entering More Of A Task's Details with Task Entry View

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- The **Task-Entry-View** is a split screen view (**View / More Views / Task-Entry**)
 - Upper ½ is further split into 'Task-Entry-Table' and Gantt-Graph
 - Lower ½ shows "**Task Form**" for the task selected in the upper ½
 - Right-Click** to change
 - Forms cannot be edited (new ones can be created using **Tools / Customise / Forms** or VBA*)
- Task Form omits many useful items
 - EG **Physical %Complete**
 - EG **Constraints**
- Lower pane's choice of forms available by background Right-Click

The screenshot displays the Task Entry View. The upper pane shows a Gantt Chart with tasks 7 through 11. Task 7 (EHDD) is selected. The lower pane shows the Task Form for EHDD, including fields for Name, Duration, Start, Finish, Task type, and % Complete. A right-click context menu is open over the Task Form, showing options like Hide Form View, Resources & Predecessors, Resources & Successors, Predecessors & Successors, Resource Schedule, Resource Work, Resource Cost, Notes, and Objects. A red arrow points from the text 'background Right-Click' to this menu.

ID	Resource Name	Work	R/D	Leveling Delay	Delay	Start	Finish
1	me	35d		0d	0d	Mon 15/01/07	Fri 02/03/07
2	dr	15d		0d	30d	Mon 26/02/07	Fri 16/03/07

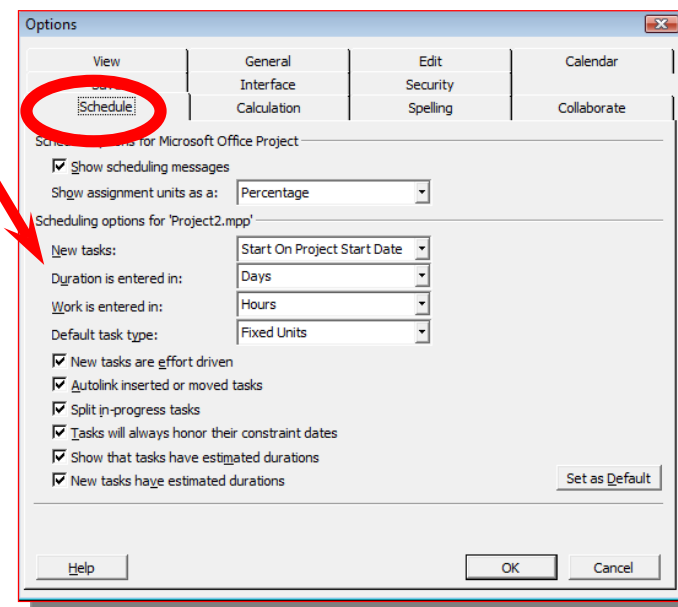




Entering Task And Time Quantities 1/2

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- Tasks have a *duration* and a *work* content
 - By default *Duration* is entered in Days and *Work* in Hours
 - Duration of “1” (no unit) = 1d
 - Work of “1” = 1hr
 - Unit can be specified when entered (“1w” = A week)
 - Durations are project working days duration (wdd)
 - EG 3 days from Friday morning is end of day Tuesday (assuming a European calendar)
 - Unless explicitly noted as ‘edays’ (elapsed)

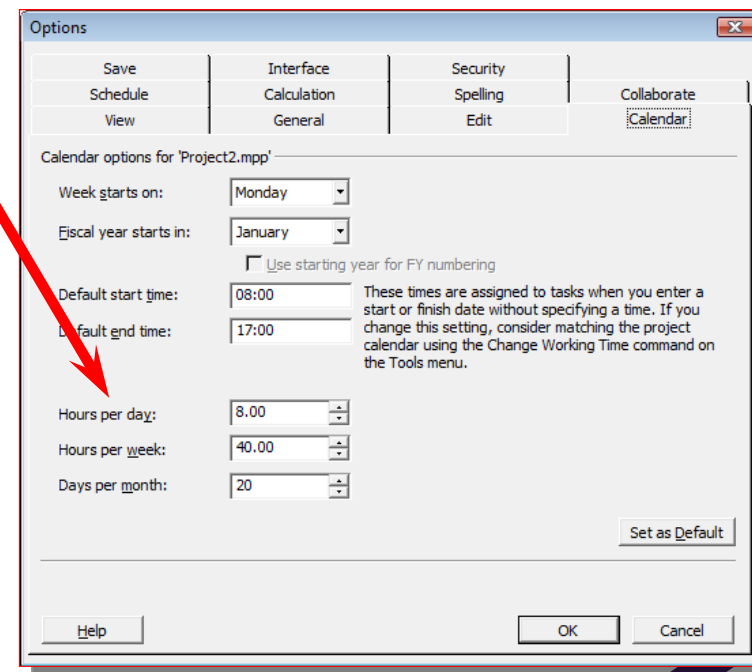




Entering Task Time Quantities 2/2

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- Durations are converted to or calculated from work-hours on initial assignment
 - Based on number of resources, Standard Day's length and task attributes
- Internally *Work* is manipulated in hours
 - Work is **converted** on entry to “work-hours” at rate in
Tools / Options / Calendar-Tab / Hours Per {Day, Week, Month}
 - Then scheduled based on calendars
 - EG assuming defaults a 5 day task becomes 40hrs work scheduled from 08:00 to 17:00 over the next five MTWThF days





Conventions For Entering Task Durations And Work

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- A task's *Duration* and or *Work* can be entered as
 - Minutes (m or min), Hours (h, hr, hours), Day (d or dy), Weeks (w or wk), Months (mo, or mon)
 - Displayed as set by *Tools / Options / Edit-tab / View Options for Time Units*
 - Default if no unit specified is *Tools / Options / Schedule-tab / Duration is Entered in*
- When entering duration...
 - “?” shows a duration is ‘estimated’
 - “e” shows a duration is elapsed
 - Include units and “?” if desired EG “1wk?” “1ewk?”
 - Or drag the right hand side of a task
 - By default MSPJ calculates (Start-Date + Duration = Finish-Date)
 - “Schedule from Finish Date” subtracts duration from Finish-Date
 - Dates are displayed as set by *Tools / Options / View / Date Format**

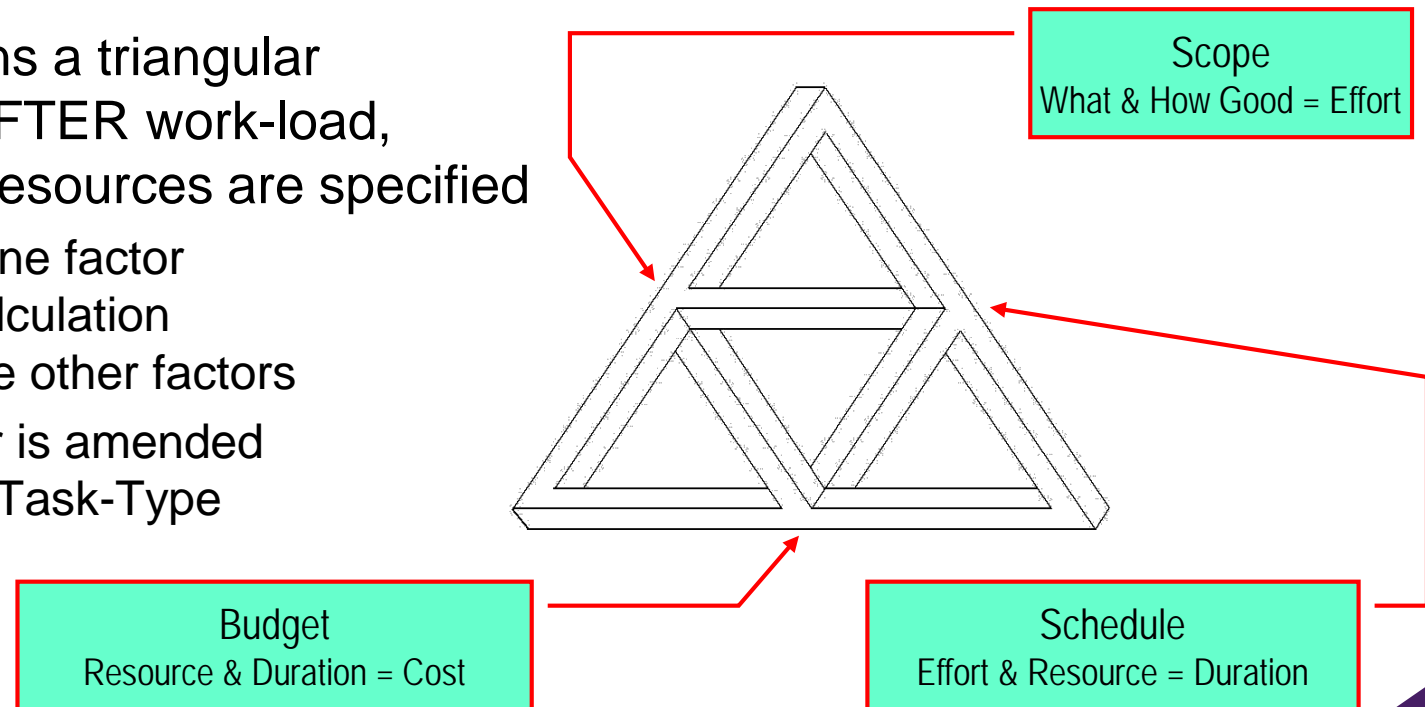
1		t1	1 day?	
2		t2	1 day	
3		t3	1 eday	



Effort Driven, Fixed Duration, Units or Work

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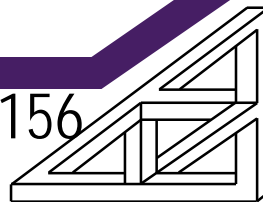
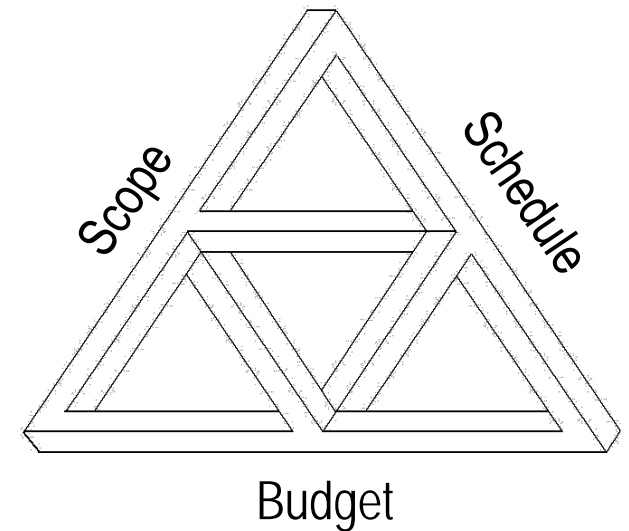
- Task entry includes describing the link between duration, resources and work
 - Not all task's durations change with amount of resource assigned
 - Tasks whose duration is linked to resources are 'Effort-Drive' aka Fixed-Work
 - MSPJ maintains a triangular relationship AFTER work-load, duration and resources are specified
 - Change to one factor causes recalculation of one of the other factors
 - Which factor is amended is based on Task-Type



One or Two Elements Fixed; Third Variable

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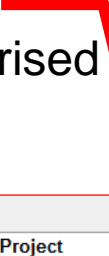
- Fixed-Work (Effort-Driven) means
 - “If Duration is changed recalculate resource and vice-versa to keep effort (work) constant”
- Non-Fixed-Work is either
 - Keep resource constant (Fixed Units) or
 - Keep duration constant (Fixed-Duration)
- MSPJ default is Fixed-Units, Effort-Driven (More later)



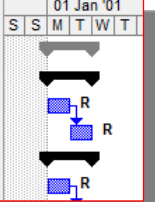
Entering Task Costs

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- A task's Variable Costs are calculated from resources assigned
 - Costs of 'Work resource' = Units * Duration * Rate per unit per duration
 - Material resource costs = Volume * Rate per unit of volume
- Tasks, Summary tasks and the project as a whole can have 'own' fixed costs
 - Not related to resource assignment
 - Summary tasks record their own fixed cost
 - Only lower level resource details are summarised
- Labour and material costs are calculated from resource usage (more later)



Task Name		Fixed Cost	Total Cost	Baseline	Variance	Ac	01 Jan '01				
							S	M	T	W	T
0	Fixed Costs Project	£0.00	£486.00	£0.00	£486.00						
1	Summary w Fixed Cost	£100.00	£326.00	£0.00	£326.00						
2	Task w FC	£22.00	£102.00	£0.00	£102.00						
3	Task w FC	£44.00	£124.00	£0.00	£124.00						
4	Summary wo Fixed Costs	£0.00	£160.00	£0.00	£160.00						
5	Task wo FC	£0.00	£80.00	£0.00	£80.00						



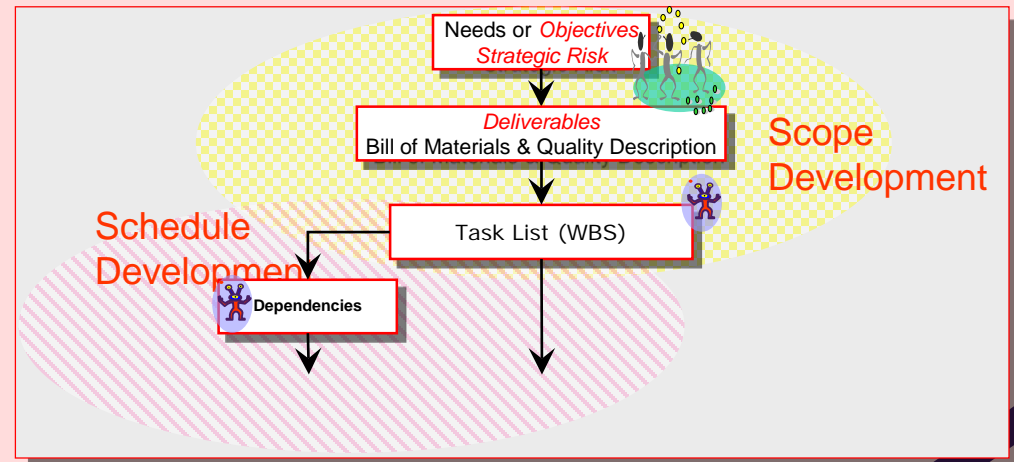

- After the task-list is defined task attributes are entered
 - Key attributes to capture are dependencies (and work required)
 - Creation of the network starts and ends with milestones
 - Milestones included at other key coordination points
- Dependencies can be created by linking in the *Gantt & Network view*
 - Entered into table cells or click and drag
 - MSPJ understands FS, SS, SF, and FF and Lag and Lead
 - Does not draw 'correct' graphical representations
 - Scheduling constraints added intentionally via *Task Information* (and unintentionally by dragging)
 - *Relationship* and *Constraint Views* may be useful to quality check a schedule
- MSPJ maintains a relationship between Duration, Units of Resource and Work
- Time to practice: Case study – Define the project up-to network diagram



Case Study: Network Diagram

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- Some weeks ago your company was approached to build a precision imaging system
 - An initial workshop session with the customer and your Engineers has just concluded the creation of PBS and WBS
- Step 1: Load and link the tasks of the case-study to form the network
 - Work-packages have been pre-typed into 'Case Info.txt' for you!
- The complete set of tasks and dependencies is included in the next few slides

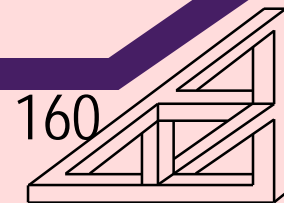




Case-Study: Network Diagram Instructions For Step-1

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- Using the information provided do the following:
 - Record in MSPJ the sequence and logical relationships of all project activities defined in the indented-list format WBS and activity list
 - Record task inter-dependencies from the technical insights after the WBS
- The initial work-shop's outputs have provided the following insights
 - There are four subassemblies in the product which are mostly independent parallel work-streams plus the Image Buffer XSO assembly and then final assembly, test, and in-field calibration
 - Tasks listed within sub-assembly are in the order of planned accomplishment
 - There are a few inter-subsystem dependencies noted on following slides
 - There are few final activities for assembling and testing the whole system
 - They are also listed in the order of planned accomplishment

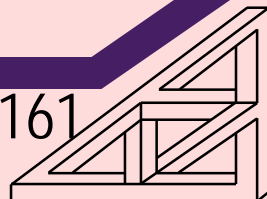


Short-Name	Sub-system	Full Name
LIS	Lunar Imaging System	
S		Start-MS
OutD		Outline Design
Optics Sub-System		
OD		Optics Design
LSPs		Lens System Parameters
LensFab		Lens Fabrication
OA		Optics Assembly
OT		Optics Test
Focusing Mechanics Ss		
FMD		Focusing Mechanics Design
FMP		Focusing Mechanics (Purchase)
Electronics Ss		
ED		Electronics Design
EFab		Electronics Fabrication
ET		Electronics Test
ESI		ElectroServo Preparation for Integration
Laser RangeFinder Ss		
LRST		Laser Ranging System Tender
LGP		Laser Generator (Purchase)
LasFab		Laser Fabrication
LPI		Laser Preparation for Integration
Image Buffer XSO		
ISD		Image Storage Design
ISFab		Image Store Fabrication
ISABD		Image Store As-Built Drawings
XA		XSO Assembly
XR		XSO Review
Intg'tn & Proving Phase		
ASS		Assemble Sub-Systems
LISST		System Test
LISAT		Accept Test
FIC		Field Installation & Calibration
F		Finish-MS

Case Study: Network Diagram Cont.

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- The tasks have been entered for you in 'Case Info.txt' and 'Case-1 TaskList.mpp'
 - Use either or type the tasks names!
- Establish the dependencies described by the SME's
 - Dependencies are also 'cut-n-paste'-able from 'Case Info.txt'
 - You may have to try a couple of times to understand the alignment –experiment 😊
- Recall work in sub-systems is more or less sequential
- Use or omit summary tasks as you prefer

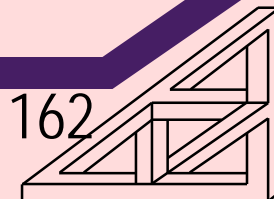




Case Study: Network Diagram SME's Documented Dependencies

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- You have been able to obtain from the various departments the inter-work-stream information needed to complete the initial logic diagram:
 - T-2* Outline Design activity (OutD) must complete before any other activities can begin. When OutD is complete Optics Ss, Focusing Ss, Electronics Ss, Laser Ranging Ss and Image Buffer XSO work-streams can all start
 - T-4 'Optics Design (OD)' and T-10 Focus Mechanics Design (FMD) must be complete before T-11 'Focusing Mechanics (Purchase) (FMP)' can start
 - T-11 FMP and T-15 Electronics Test (ET) must both be completed before T-16 Electro Servo Preparation for Integration (ESI) work-package can start
 - T-29 Overall sub-system Assembly (ASS) task cannot start until T-8 Optics Test (OT), T-16 ESI, & T-21 Laser Preparation for Integration (LPI) complete
 - T-27 XSO Sub-System review (XR) activity and T-30 System Test (ST) must both completed before T-31 LIS Acceptance Test (LISAT) can start



Case-Study: Network Diagram Start-Point and Solution

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Case-1

Task ID	Task Name	Task Short Name	Task Start	Task End
0	Lunar Imaging System	LIS	01/01	01/01
1	Start-MS	S		
2	Outline Design	OutD		
3	Optics Sub-System			
4	Optics Design	OD		
5	Lens System Parameters	LSPs		
6	Lens Fabrication	LensFab		
7	Optics Assembly	OA		
8	Optics Test	OT		
9	Focusing Mechanics Ss			
10	Focusing Mechanics Design	FMD		
11	Focusing Mechanics (Purchase)	FMP		
12	Electronics Ss			
13	Electronics Design	ED		
14	Electronics Fabrication	EFab		
15	Electronics Test	ET		
16	ElectroServo Preparation for Integration	ESI		
17	Laser RangeFinder Ss			
18	Laser Ranging System Tender	LRST		
19	Laser Generator (Purchase)	LGP		
20	Laser Fabrication	LasFab		
21	Laser Preparation for Integration	LPI		
22	Image Buffer XSO			
23	Image Storage Design	ISD		
24	Image Store Fabrication	ISFab		
25	Image Store As-Built Drawings	ISABD		
26	XSO Assembly	XA		
27	XSO Review	XR		
28	Intg'tn & Proving Phase			
29	Assemble Sub-Systems	ASS		
30	System Test	LISST		
31	Accept Test	LISAT		
32	Field Installation & Calibration	FIC		
33	Finish-MS	F		

Case-2

Task ID	Task Name	Pred'csr	Successors
0	Lunar Imaging System		
1	Start-MS		2
2	Outline Design	1	10,13,18,23,4
3	Optics Sub-System		
4	Optics Design	2	5,11
5	Lens System Parameters	4	6
6	Lens Fabrication	5	7
7	Optics Assembly	6	8
8	Optics Test	7	29
9	Focusing Mechanics Ss		
10	Focusing Mechanics Design	2	11
11	Focusing Mechanics (Purchase)	4,10	16
12	Electronics Ss		
13	Electronics Design	2	14
14	Electronics Fabrication	13	15
15	Electronics Test	14	16
16	ElectroServo Preparation for Integri	11,15	29
17	Laser RangeFinder Ss		
18	Laser Ranging System Tender	2	19
19	Laser Generator (Purchase)	18	20
20	Laser Fabrication	19	21
21	Laser Preparation for Integration	20	29
22	Image Buffer XSO		
23	Image Storage Design	2	24
24	Image Store Fabrication	23	25
25	Image Store As-Built Drawings	24	26
26	XSO Assembly	25	27
27	XSO Review	26	31
28	Intg'tn & Proving Phase		
29	Assemble Sub-Systems	8,16,21	30
30	System Test	29	31
31	Accept Test	30,27	32
32	Field Installation & Calibration	31	33
33	Finish-MS	32	

- Case-1 is the Start point and Case-2 the end of this case-study segment



Additional Ex: Model Scope From A Client Brief

This is in-fact an old PRINCE2® exam question! But it is also an excellent example of how to turn a brief into a product set before adding the verbs that define the project's scope of work

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Use the text below to create a PBS, WBS and network diagram then set-up the project in MSPJ

Your client, a local council has realized that their current Social Services Information Systems (SSIS) will not cope with new legislation. They have one year to be compliant or may *then* face fines. A **new system** is proposed. It will also automatically **collate data** that currently requires 3 staff to do manually.

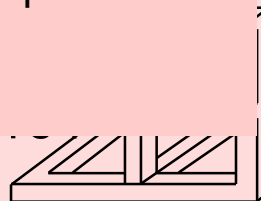
Up to now the different departments have held their own **records** on small computers, offering basic facilities. Duplications and omissions are a big problem. This has led to many costly mistakes in payments. These records will have to be **corrected** by Social Workers *before transferring* to the new system *after* it is **installed**. The old and **new programs** use the same **database software**, so no major conversion work will be needed.

A **contract will be** placed with an external supplier for **hardware** and **software** to replace all the current small computers with one powerful machine, which offers many extra facilities plus operating economies. The supplier is already part way through the **design of a system**, based on specifications agreed with two other councils. The **purchase order will be signed as soon as** the Project Initiation Document is approved. The supplier also uses PRINCE2.

Five computer operators and **seven other SSIS** staff will need training in the new hardware and software. There will *then* be further significant work by SSIS staff to **prepare the new system** for operational use.

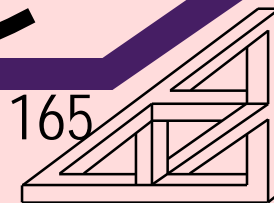
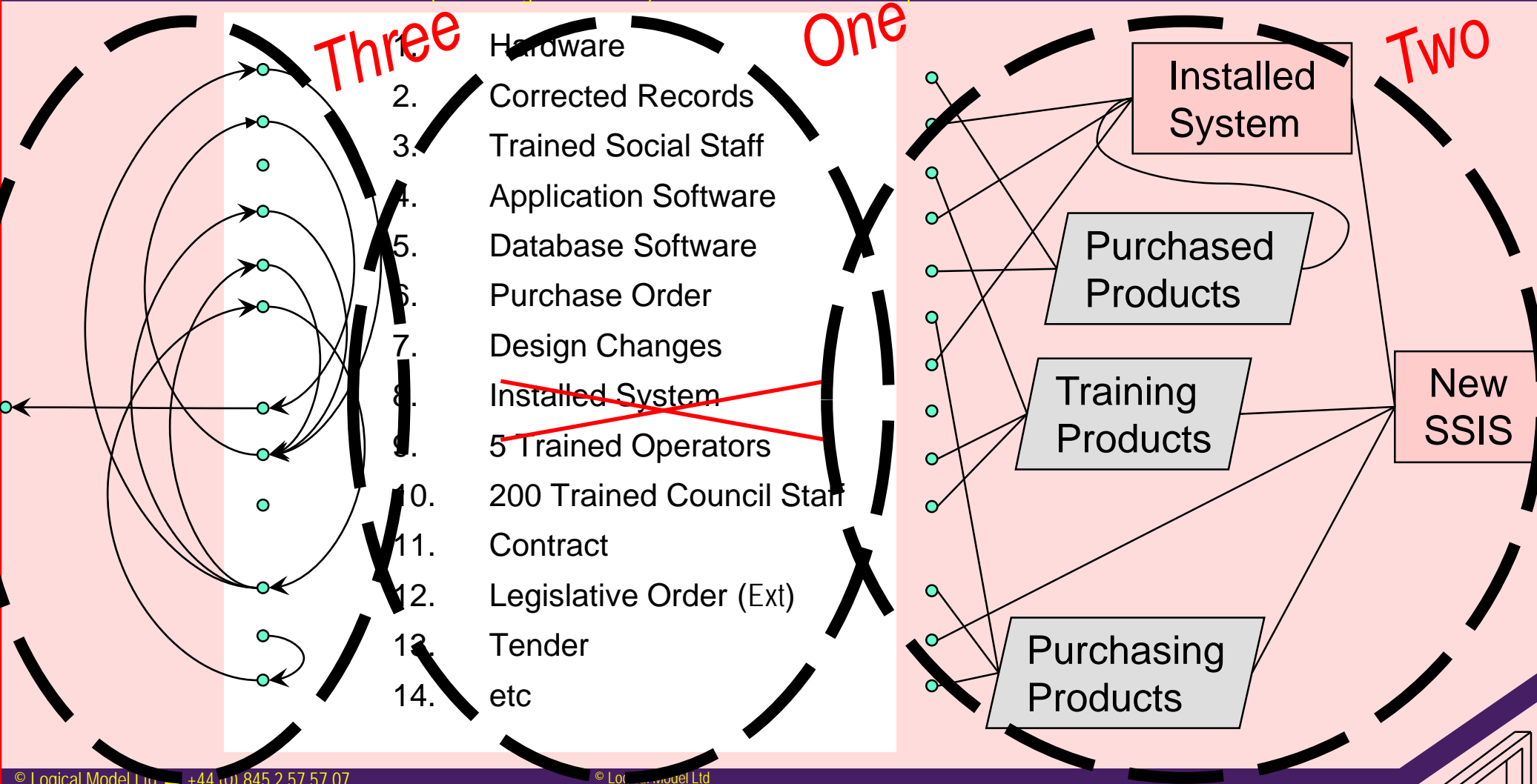
The supplier, in the tender, has offered to make **small adjustments** at no cost at certain points in the new software to fit in with **local practices**. From the supplier's point of view these *will have to be* carefully monitored in order to stay within a very tight timescale and budget if the supplier is to make a profit. The Council must **specify these changes within** three months of the contract being signed.

Two hundred Social Services staff *will need to be trained* to use the new software



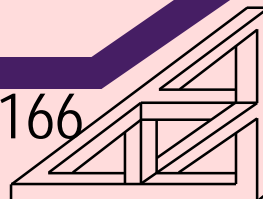
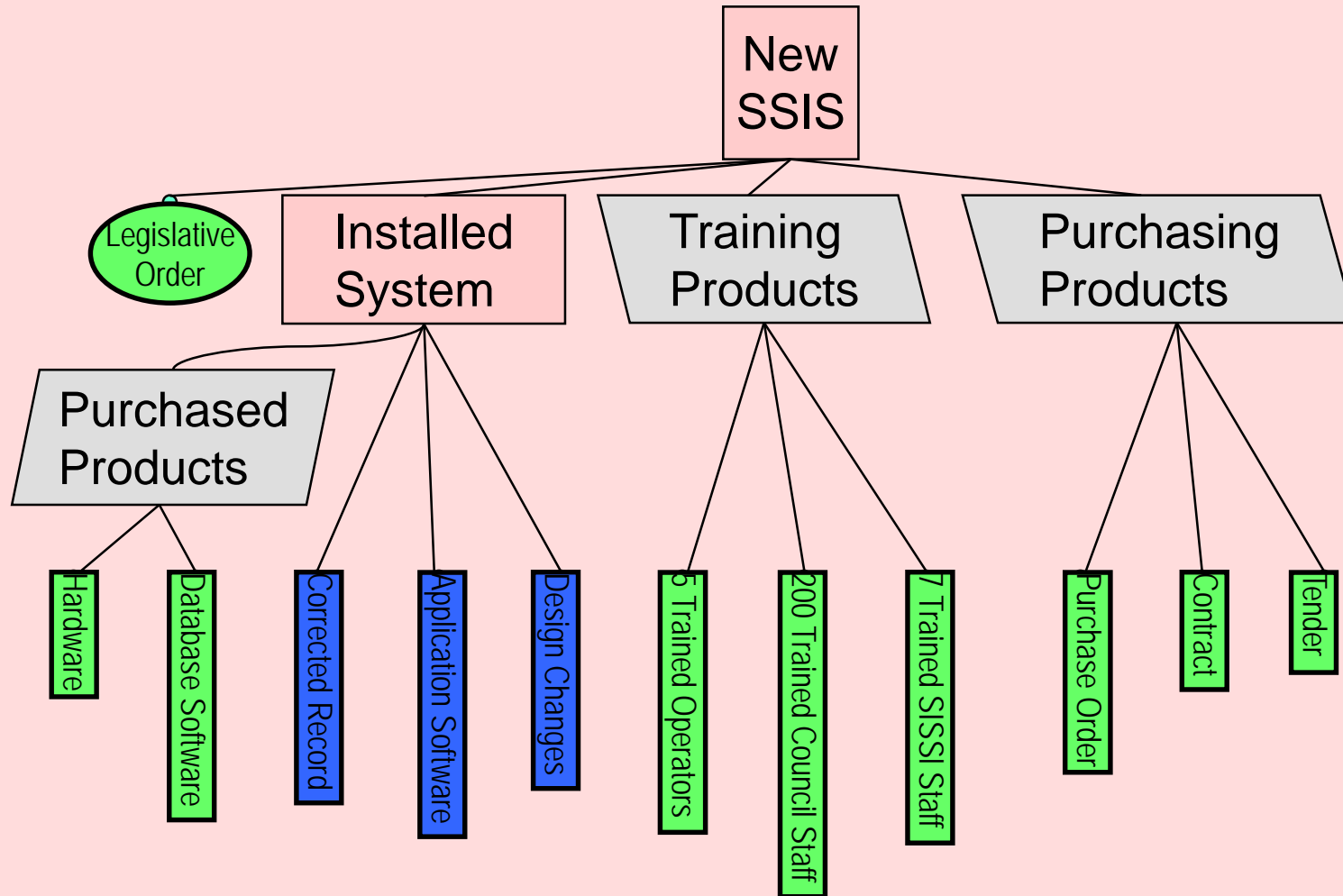
Additional Ex: Social Services Scenario

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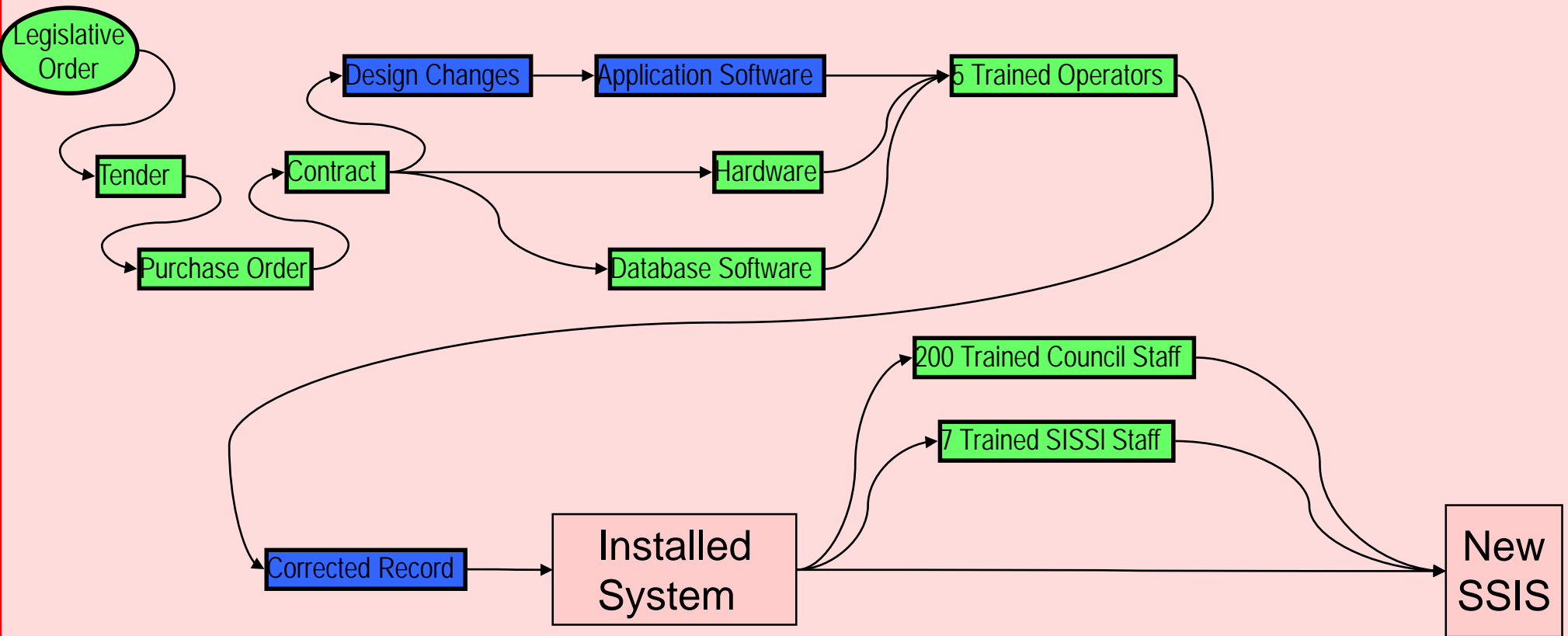
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Additional Ex: Product Dependencies

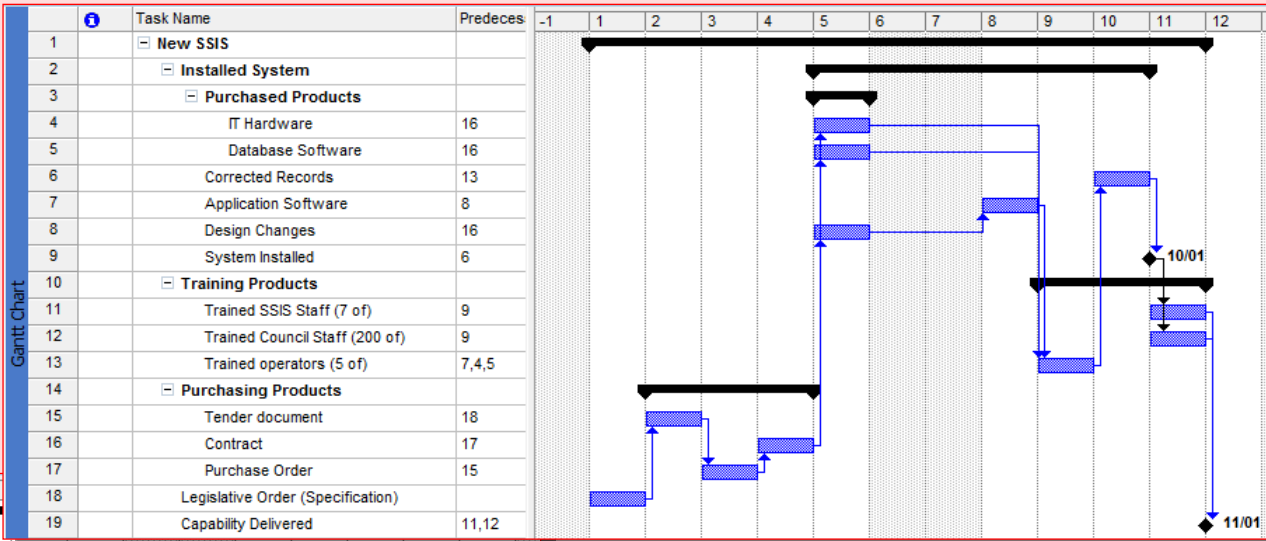
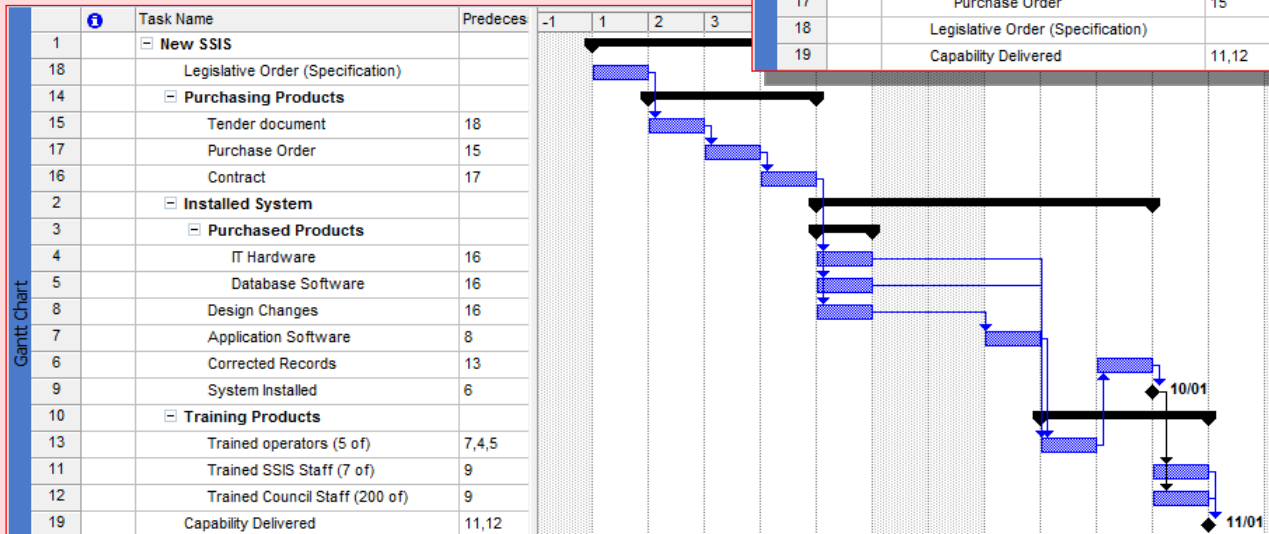
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Additional Ex: MSPJ Solution

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- First make initial entry of products
- Second link into use-order
- Third sort by start date
- Fourth add verbs in the product's life-span





The only reason for a project is to change business-as-usual for your organisation or your customer's

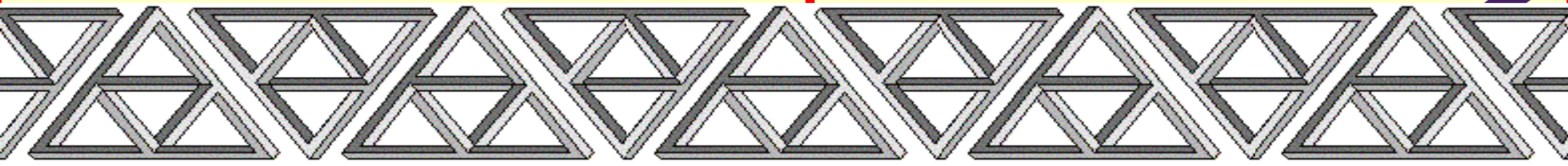
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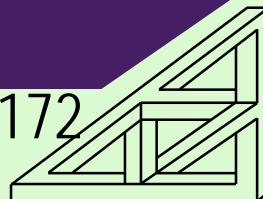
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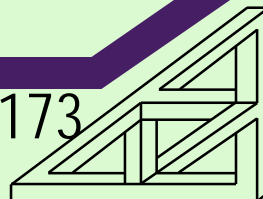
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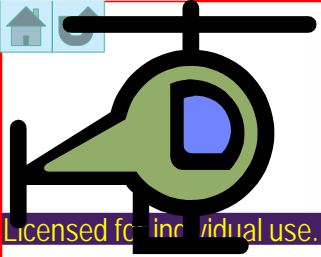
Lesson 5: Entering Resources and Assigning Resources To Tasks



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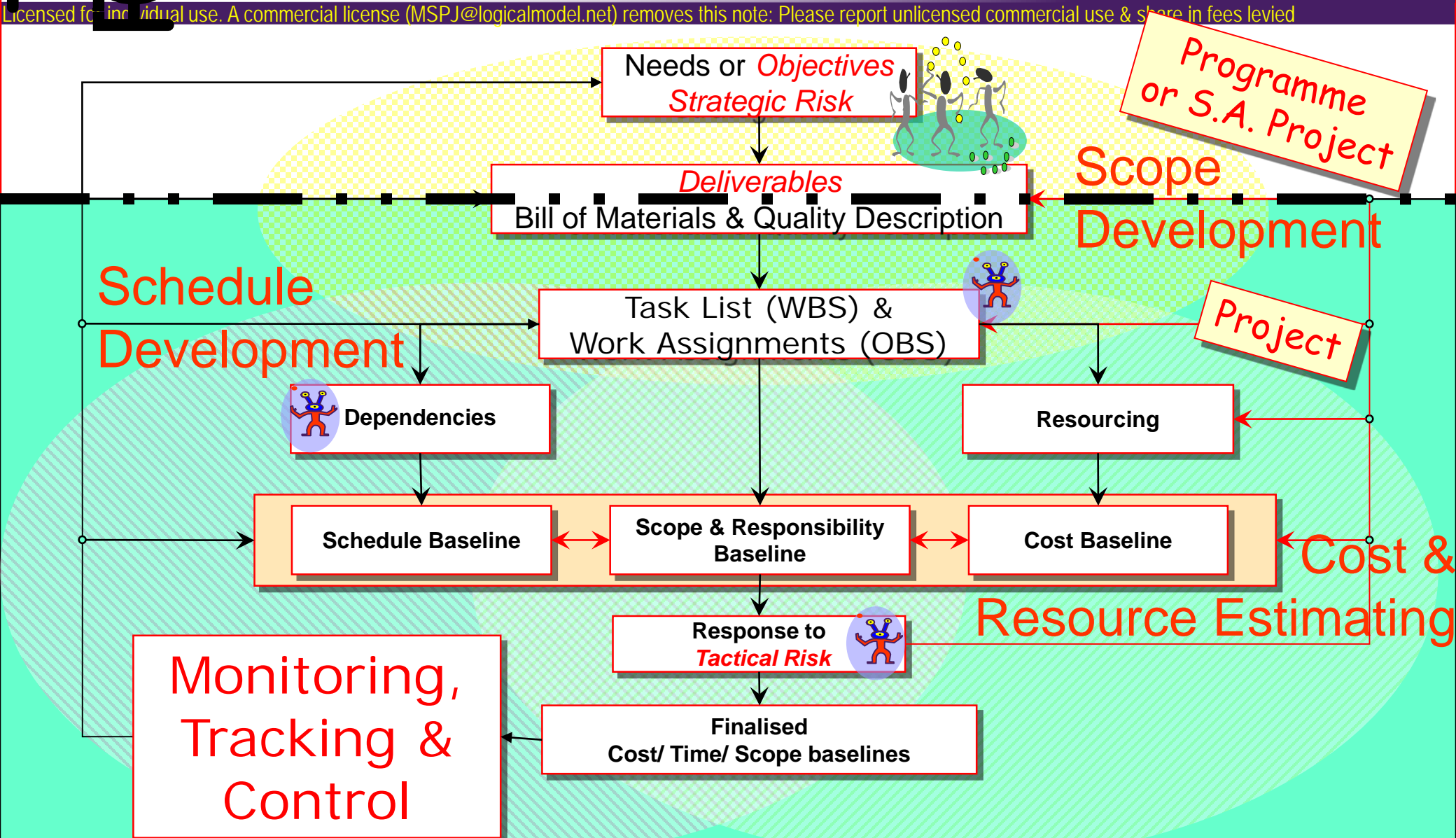
- Appreciate where we are in the schedule development process
- Enter resource information and create or link-to a resource pool
 - An aside: Importing data from other format files
- Assign resources to tasks over time: - Time-phased assignments
 - Initial assignments & initial scheduling plus the effect of calendars
 - Using a hierarchy of Breakdown Structures and RAMs
 - The mechanics of Task-Type. Much more on this tricky topic (and more later)
 - Assign resource to task with or without pre-estimated work
 - See that changing elements of assignments changes other elements
 - Use the Task and Resource Usage views
 - Establish how to avoid issues with MSPJs scheduling logic
 - Experiment with the triangular relationships within assignments
- Practice with the case study





Development and Maintenance of Project Baseline

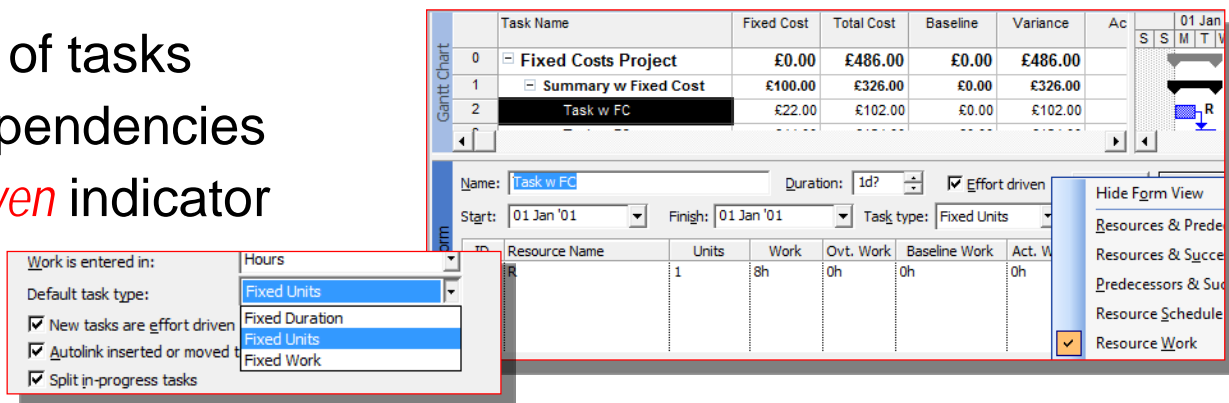
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The Schedule Development Process 1/2

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- First or Second: Enter details of tasks
 - Task's name and inter-dependencies
 - Set *Task-Type* and *Effort-Driven* indicator (or allow to default*)
 - Enter estimated work
 - *Work* field is not included in default task-entry table
 - MSPJ assumption in Tables, Help texts and mind-set is we enter *Durations* ☹
- First or Second: Enter details of resources
- Third: Make initial assignments of resources to tasks
 - People and materials
 - MSPJ will multiple & or divide work, duration & people using initial entry rules
 - MSPJ's calculation of time-phased assignments normally needs correction
 - If you wish to track and use Earned Value with precision



The screenshot shows the MSPJ software interface. At the top, there's a table with columns: Task Name, Fixed Cost, Total Cost, Baseline, Variance, and Ac. The table lists three tasks: 'Fixed Costs Project' (Fixed Cost: £0.00, Total Cost: £486.00), 'Summary w Fixed Cost' (Fixed Cost: £100.00, Total Cost: £326.00), and 'Task w FC' (Fixed Cost: £22.00, Total Cost: £102.00). Below the table, there's a form for task details. The 'Name' field is 'Task w FC', 'Duration' is '1d?', and 'Effort driven' is checked. The 'Start' date is '01 Jan '01' and the 'Finish' date is '01 Jan '01'. The 'Task type' is 'Fixed Units'. A dropdown menu is open, showing options: 'Fixed Units' (selected), 'Fixed Duration', 'Fixed Units', and 'Fixed Work'. To the right of the form, there's a sidebar with a menu: 'Hide Form View', 'Resources & Prede', 'Resources & Succ', 'Predecessors & Suc', 'Resource Schedule', and 'Resource Work' (checked).



The Schedule Development Process 2/2

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- Then
 - Determine required resource profile, calculate cash-flow, budget and schedule
 - Adjust dependencies and resourcing to fit constraints of cost and time
 - Resolve resource overloads and inefficiencies by changing assignments
 - MSPJ will multiple and or divide work, duration and people on change using Task-Type and Effort-Driven rules
 - MSPJ's re-determination of duration, assignments and work normally still needs correction
 - Repeat the above until Risk, Scope, Budget, Resource & Urgency are in balance
 - Advise people of baseline
 - Integrated mechanisms include MS Outlook, Project Server or MSPJ Web access

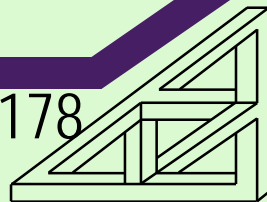
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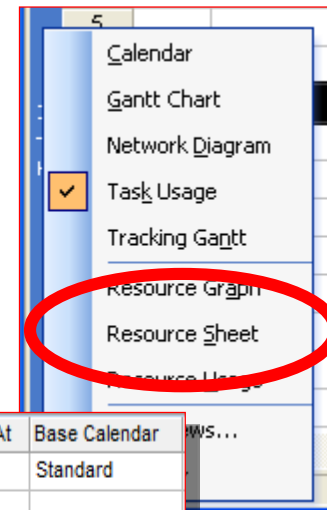


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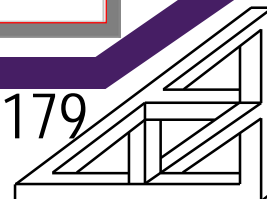
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- Resource assignments are drawn from a “resource pool”
 - Pool may be defined in the project’s file or a dedicated resource pool file
 - People, equipment and materials resources defined in same pool
 - People and equipment are “work-resources” – effort is measured in time
 - Materials are consumable – measured by “*Material label*” quantity
 - Resource pools can be company-wide (MSPJ-Server version)

- Adding by hand uses the “Resource-Sheet”
 - View | Resource-Sheet*
- Resource lists can be imported from MS Exchange directories, Excel or text files



		Resource Name	Type	Material Label	Initials	Group	Max. Units	Std. Rate	Ovt. Rate	Cost/Use	Accrue At	Base Calendar
1		Electricians	Work		Sparks	Trade	100%	£28.00/hr	£32.00/hr	£0.00	Prorated	Standard
2		Cable	Material	Meters	cable	Consum		£0.66		£0.00	Prorated	
3		Brick-layer	Work		Brickie		800%	£30.80/hr	£0.00/hr	£0.00	Prorated	Standard
4		Bricks	Material	Pallet	Brick	Consum		£450.00		£0.00	Start	





Entering the Resource Pool Information

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- Resources are typed (or imported or cut-n-pasted) into a Resource Sheet

Resource Sheet		Resource Name	Type	Material Label	Initials	Group	Max. Units	Std. Rate	Ovt. Rate	Cost/Use	Accrue At	Base Calendar
	1	Electricians	Work		Sparks	Trade	1	£28.00/hr	£32.00/hr	£0.00	Prorated	Standard
	2	Cable	Material	Meters	cable	Consum		£0.66		£0.00	Prorated	
	1	Brick-layer	Work		Brickie		800%	£30.80/hr	£0.00/hr	£0.00	Prorated	Standard

– Use the *Resource Information* dialogue to enter details

- Generic resources can be substituted with specific people by the server when scheduling

The image shows three overlapping 'Resource Information' dialog boxes. The top box is the 'General' tab, showing fields for Resource name (Brick-layer), Initials (Brickie), Group (Default), Code, Type (Work), and Material label. A red circle '1' is around the 'Generic' checkbox. The middle box is the 'Working Time' tab, showing a calendar for August 2010 with a date selected (17th) and a time range (08:00 to 12:00). A red circle '2' is around the 'Working Time' tab. The bottom box is the 'Costs' tab, showing a table for cost rates. A red circle '3' is around the 'Costs' tab. Red arrows point from text boxes at the bottom to specific parts of the dialog boxes.

What they cost & when

What hours they work

How many are available & when





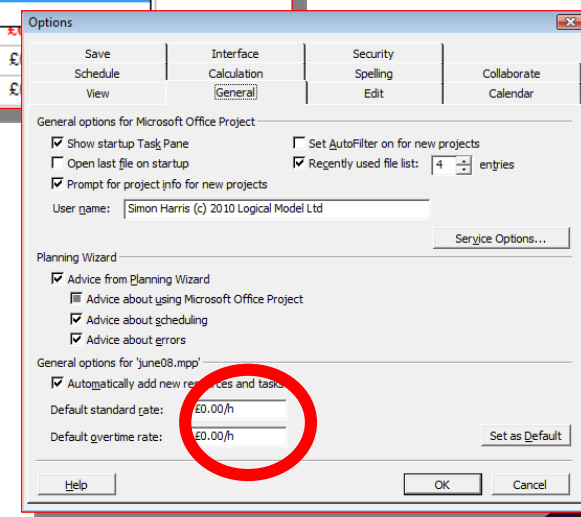
Entering Resource Costs: Simple Method

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- Select *View / Resource Sheet* and table *Entry* (Or *Resource Information / Cost-tab*)
 - Resources may have a per-use-cost and a per unit of time/ material cost

		Resource Name	Type	Material Label	Initials	Group	Max. Units	Std. Rate	Ovt. Rate	Cost/Use	Accrue At	Base Calendar
Resource Sheet	1	Electricians	Work		E		3	£35.00/hr	£44.00/hr	£0.00	End	Standard
	2	Cables	Material	Meters	Cable			£0.67		£0.00	Prorated	
	3	JCB-Back-Hoe	Work		J		1	£0.00/hr	£0.00/hr	£1,000.00	Prorated	Standard
	4	Bricklayers	Work		BL		1	£25.00/hr	£40.00/hr		Start	Standard
	5	Bricks	Material	Pallets	Brick			£450.00			Prorated	
	6	StdResource	Work		S		1	£0.00/hr	£0.00/hr		End	
	7	16HrDayRes	Work		1		1	£0.00/hr	£0.00/hr			
	8	4dWeek	Work		4		1	£0.00/hr	£0.00/hr			

- Default rates are set in *Tools / Options / General*
 - Default accruals *Tools / Options / Calculation*
 - Currency display *Tools / Options / View / Currency options*





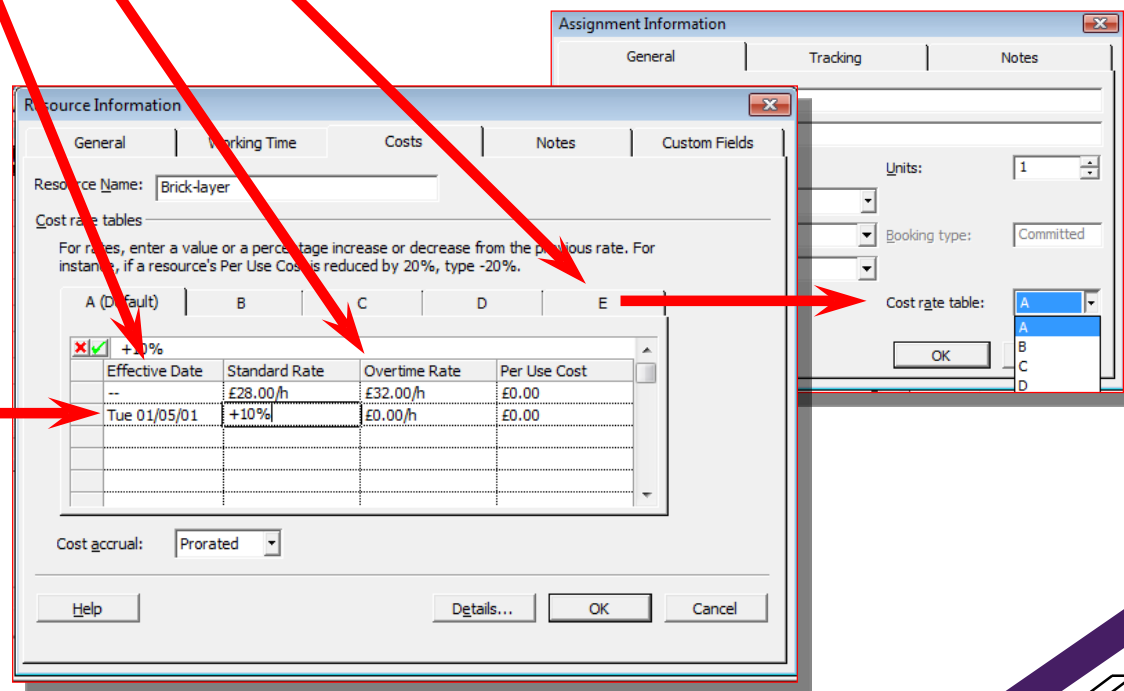
Resource Cost: Full Capabilities

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- A resource's costs can be linked to:

- Job-type
- Overtime rate
- Scheduled date

- Rate changes can be entered as percentages



Resource Information

General | Working Time | Costs | Notes | Custom Fields

Resource Name: Brick-layer

Cost rate tables

For rates, enter a value or a percentage increase or decrease from the previous rate. For instance, if a resource's Per Use Costs reduced by 20%, type -20%.

Effective Date	Standard Rate	Overtime Rate	Per Use Cost
--	£28.00/h	£32.00/h	£0.00
Tue 01/05/01	+10%	£0.00/h	£0.00

Cost accrual: Prorated

Help Details... OK Cancel

Assignment Information

General | Tracking | Notes

Units: 1

Booking type: Committed

Cost rate table: A

OK



Resource Availability and Calendars

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- Max-Units available is a percentage of the resource's calendar hours
 - Default is 08:00 → 12:00, 13:00 → 17:00 (an 8hr day working day)
- EG if the resource calendar defines a resource as M&T 0900 → 1500 then they have 12hrs per week available at 100% capacity
 - Generic resources may be available >100% IE you have multiple people or machines
 - Availability dates and rates can be set from the *General-Tab*
 - Standard calendar can be amended or a new base-calendar created & assigned
(Tools / Change Working Time / New)

Resource Availability

Available From	Available To	Units
1/5/2004	3/26/2004	400%
3/29/2004	6/25/2004	300%
6/28/2004	8/27/2004	100%

Resource Information

General Working Time Costs Notes Custom Fields

Resource Name: Electricians Base calendar: Standard

Set working time for selected date(s)

Legend:

- ☐ Working
- ☐ Nonworking
- ☐ Edited working hours

On this calendar:

- ☒ Edits to a day of the week
- ☐ Edits to an individual day

Select Date(s):

July 2010

M	T	W	Th	F	S	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

Set selected date(s) to:

- ☒ Use default
- ☐ Nonworking time
- ☐ Nondefault working time

From: To:

Help Details... OK Cancel

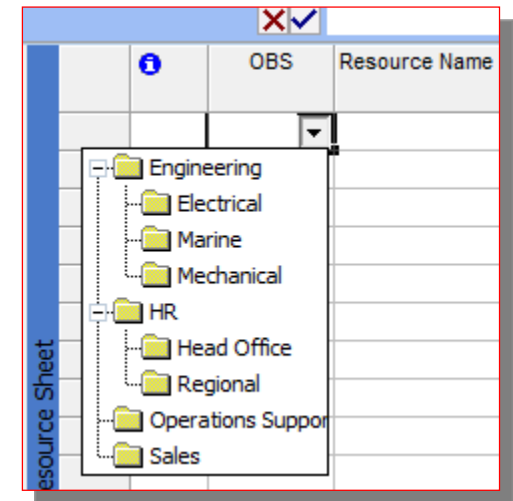
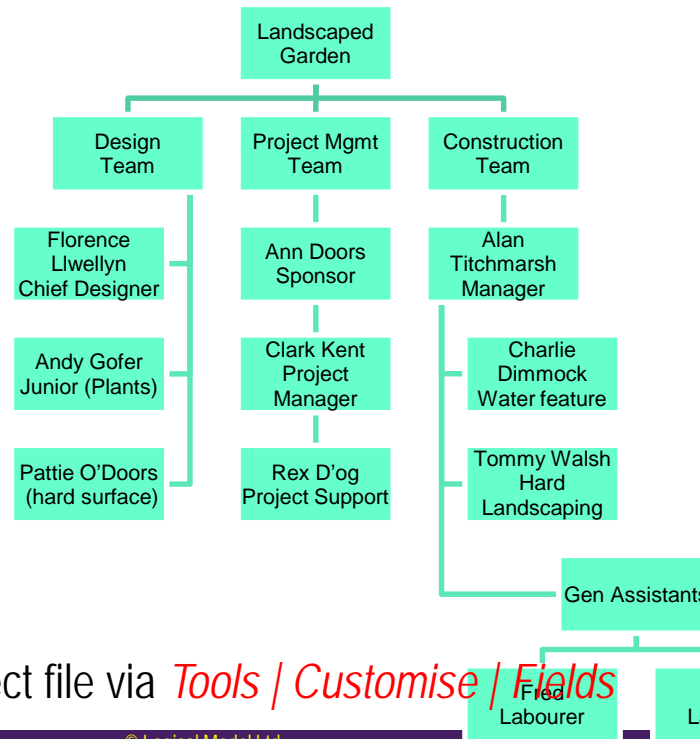
Tools / Options / Schedule-Tab /
Assignment Units As
{Decimal, Percentage }



Resource Outline Codes

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- Resources, like tasks, can use custom outline codes
 - Tools / Customise / Fields / Custom Outline Codes*
 - Outline code reflects the project's OBS (Organisational Breakdown Structure)



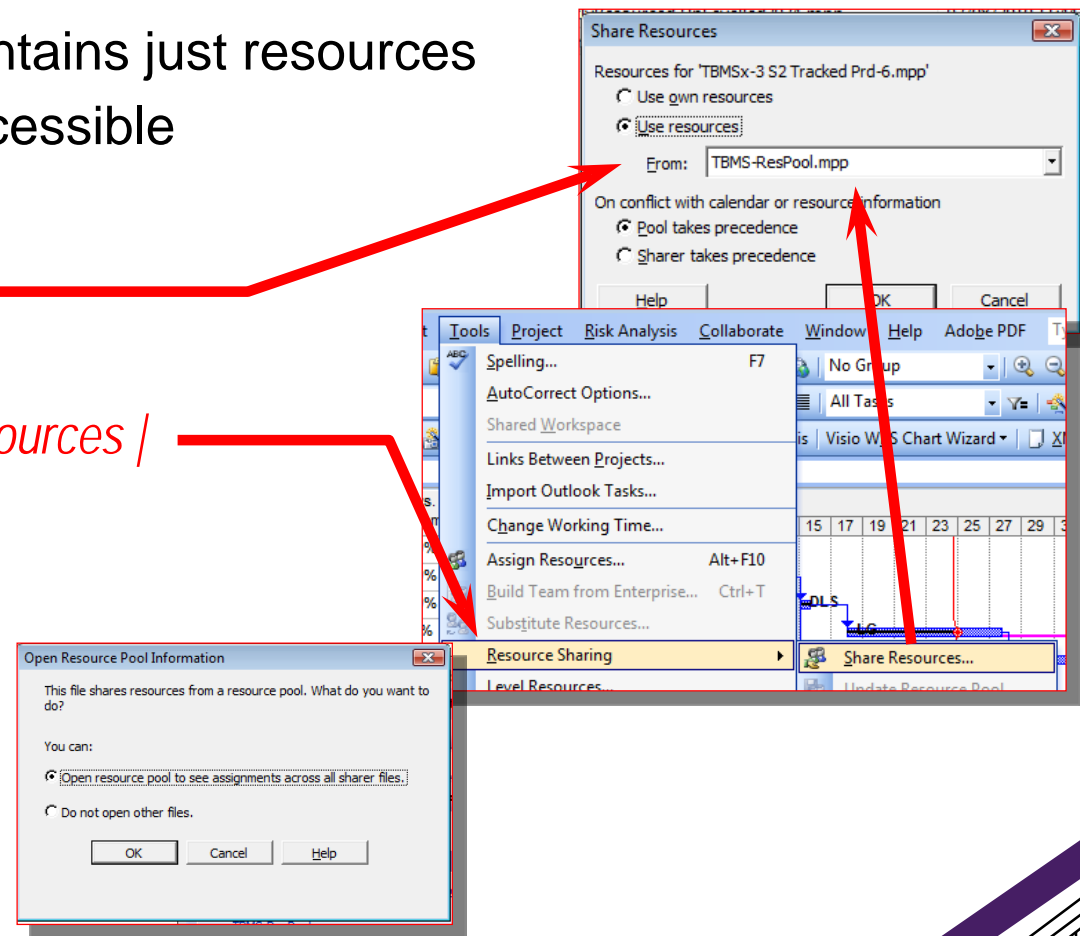
- Import existing codes from a project file via *Tools / Customise / Fields*



Linking To A Shared Resource Pool

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- The simplest resource definition is created with the tasks in the project file
- Typically a linked resource pool contains just resources
 - Saved somewhere centrally accessible
- To use a resource pool
 - Open the resource pool
 - Open (create) a *sharer* project
 - *Tools / Resource Sharing / Share Resources / From: 'filename.mpp'*
 - Also set the conflict response (*pool takes precedence* is best)
- Next time the sharer is opened a prompt to open the resource pool is issued





Importing Details EG Resources

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- Resource (task and assignment) data can be imported (and exported)
 - First set security level *Tools / Options / Security-tab / Allow loading files...*
 - Import via *File / Open* (export via *File / Save*)
 - Choose file-type EG .txt

New or Existing Map

New or Append to Project

What to Import

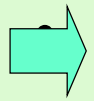
Import Mapping

Resource Name	Type	Material Label	Initials	Group	Max. Units	Std. Rate	Ovt. Rate	Cost/Use	Accrue At	Base Calendar
Optical Eng.	Work		Eng-O		4	£3,363.30/wk	£0.00/hr	£0.00	Prorated	Standard
Drawing Office	Work		DrO		2	£2,550.60/wk	£0.00/hr	£0.00	Prorated	Standard
SubCon	Work		S-C		0	£3,000.00/wk	£0.00/hr	£0.00	Prorated	Standard
Instrument Tech	Work		Tech-i		3	£2,550.60/wk	£0.00/hr	£0.00	Prorated	Standard
Electrical Eng.	Work		Eng-E		1	£3,363.30/wk	£0.00/hr	£0.00	Prorated	Standard
Fabr'n Dept	Work		Fab		1	£3,363.30/wk	£0.00/hr	£0.00	Prorated	Standard

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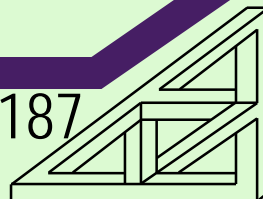
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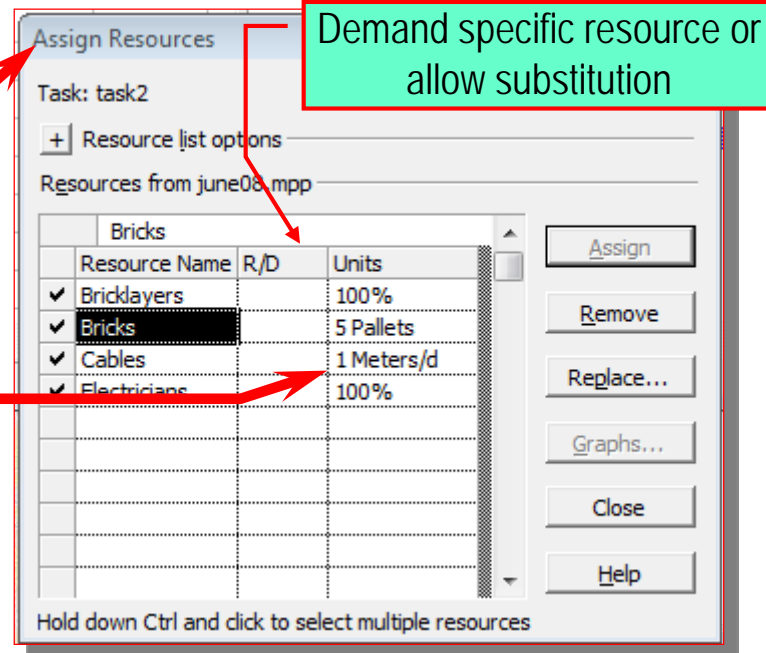
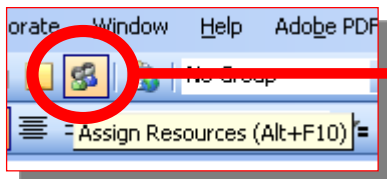


Assigning Resources

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- Select a task or several !

- Assign resources



- Materials are fixed or variable “per/period”
- Select next task – Without closing the *Assign Resources* dialogue box
 - Add new resources (with *Assign*) or *Remove* existing resources or *Replace* assignments
 - Results depend on *Task-Type* & *Effort-Driven* flag

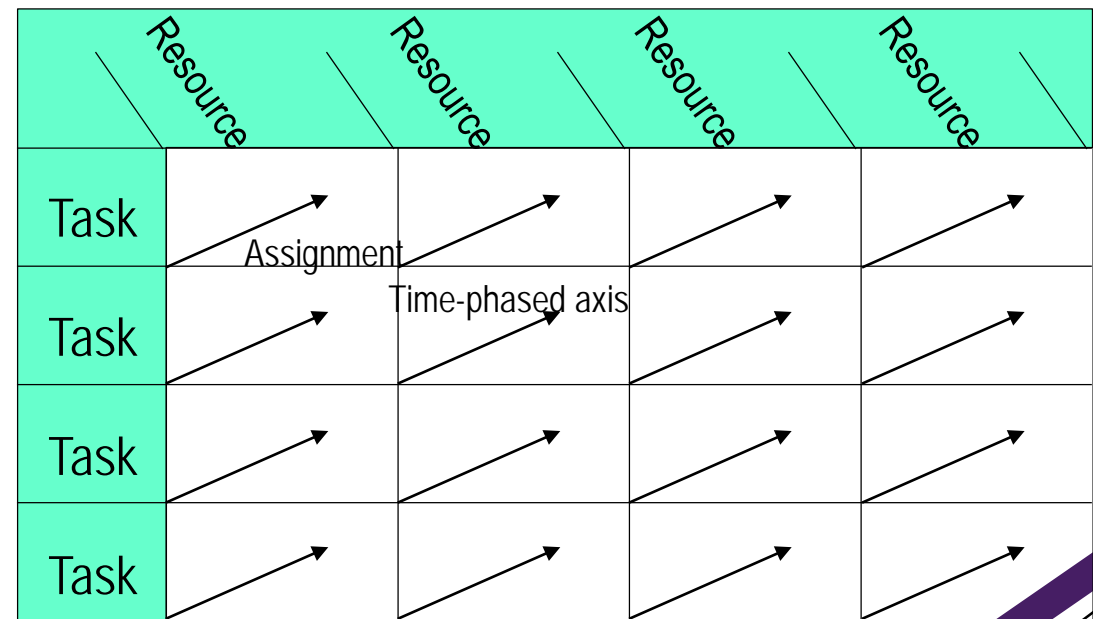
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				M T W T F S S	M T W T F S S	M T W T F S S	M T W T
0		[-] june08	#####				
1		[-] Summary-1	#####				
2		task1	1 day				
3		task2	1 day				

Bricklayers, Electricians, Bricks[5 Pallets], Cables[1 Meters/day]

Assignments

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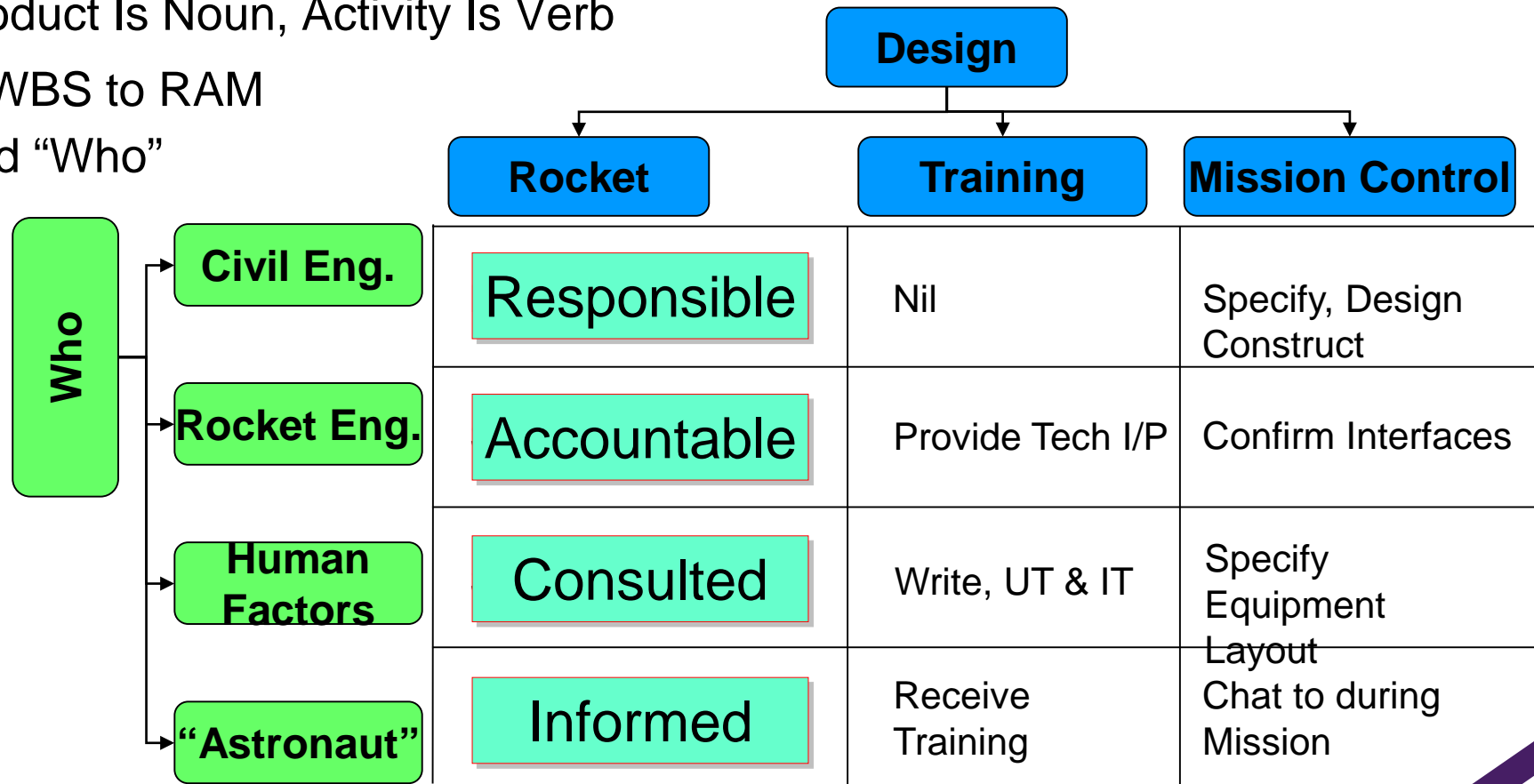
- 'Task plus Resources' = a set of time-phased work and cost allocations
 - If task duration is pre-set then
 $\text{Duration} \times \text{Number of Resources assigned} \times \text{Hrs per } \underline{\text{Std Day}} = \text{Work Hours}$
 - Work / Duration and calendars = Time-Phased scheduling
 - MSPJ view of assignments is classic Responsibility Assignment Matrix
 - Plus time-phasing
- Many factors interact in making and changing assignments
 - Results differ if
 Initial Assignment or
 change to assignment



Responsibility Assignment Matrix (RAM)*

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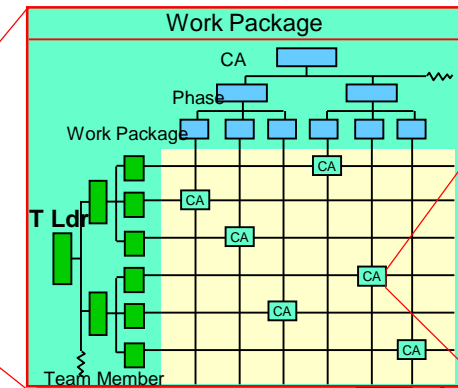
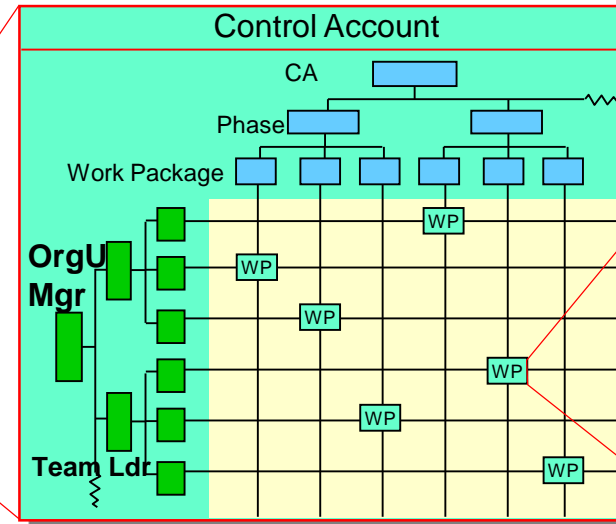
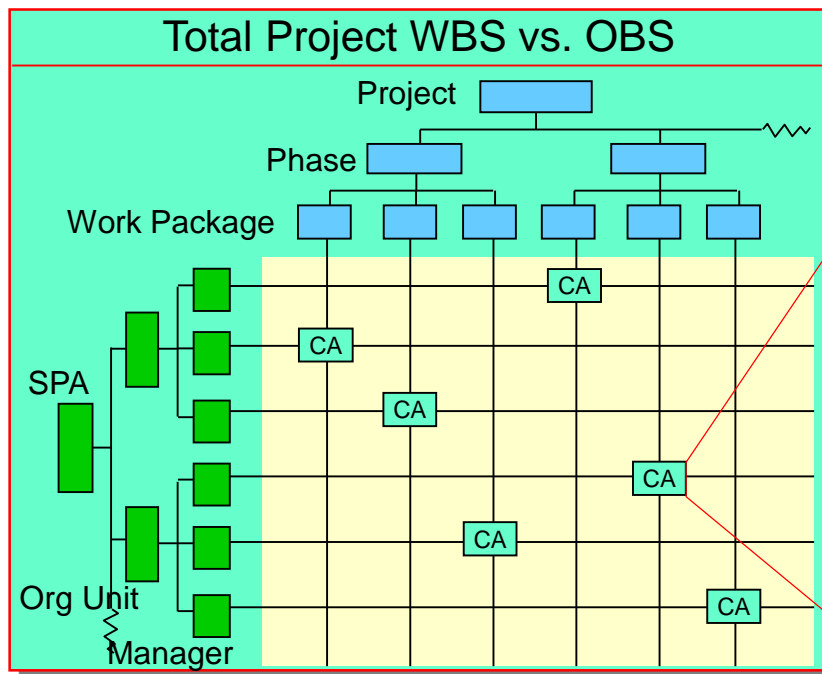
- From PBS to WBS
 - Product Is Noun, Activity Is Verb
- From WBS to RAM
 - Add “Who”



Each Assignment Is Significant To The Recipient!

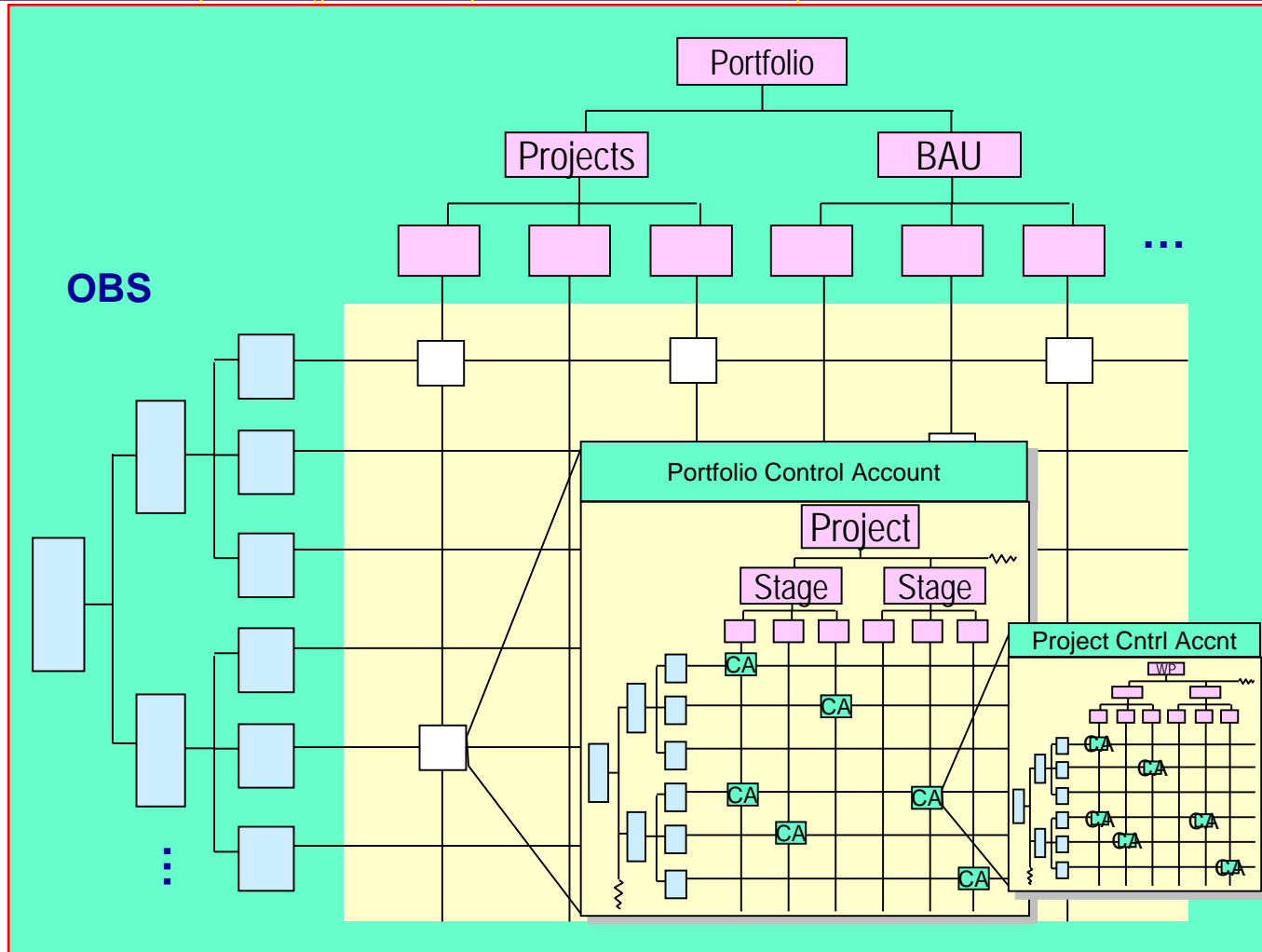
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- RAM correlates the work packages in the WBS to the parties responsible for accomplishing the assigned work
 - Defined by cross-referencing the project WBS against the OBS
- Clear, single point of accountability (SPA) for specific elements of work



Cascading “Who Does What” Across The Whole Portfolio of Business Activity

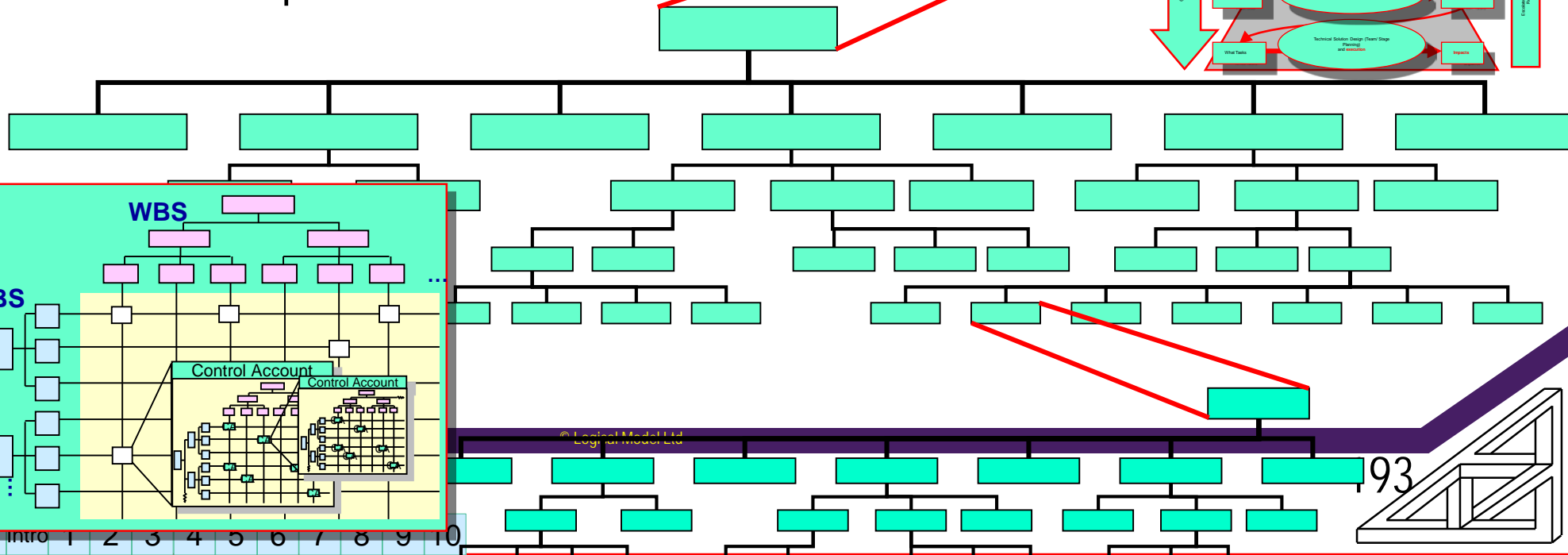
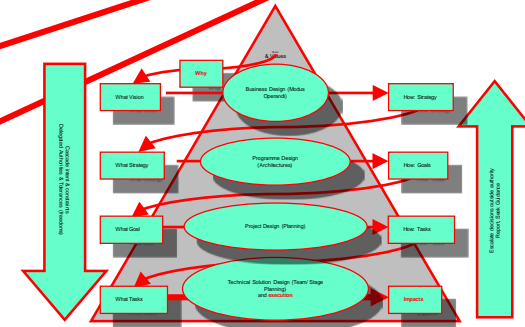
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Hierarchical Breakdown of Scope

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- Depth to reflect your level of control
 - IE the point at which you delegate responsibility for further detail
 - Probably 2-4 levels down
 - Chain of delegated authorities will result in conceptual, total BS being many levels deep





Time-Phasing And Assignment Percentage

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- Time-phasing is calculated from Calendars, *Duration*, *Work*, *Units* of assigned resource *Task-Type*, and assignment's *Work contour*

- “Units” are a “measure of work” IE Effort

- Assignment Units are a percentage of a resource's working calendar hours
- EG I'm available 4hrs/day and working on two tasks at 50% each = 2hr/day

- Assignment data is distributed down and aggregated up the hierarchy depending on what level it is entered at
 - *Work*, *Units* and *Duration* are re-balanced across assignments when changed
 - Convenient flexibility but also a trigger for confusion and frustration
 - If you EVER chase around edits to assignments/ duration/ work: Stop!
 - Your *Task-Type* and *Effort-Driven* settings are probably in-correct



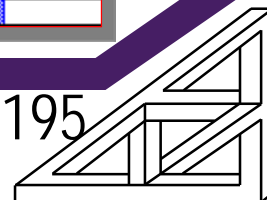
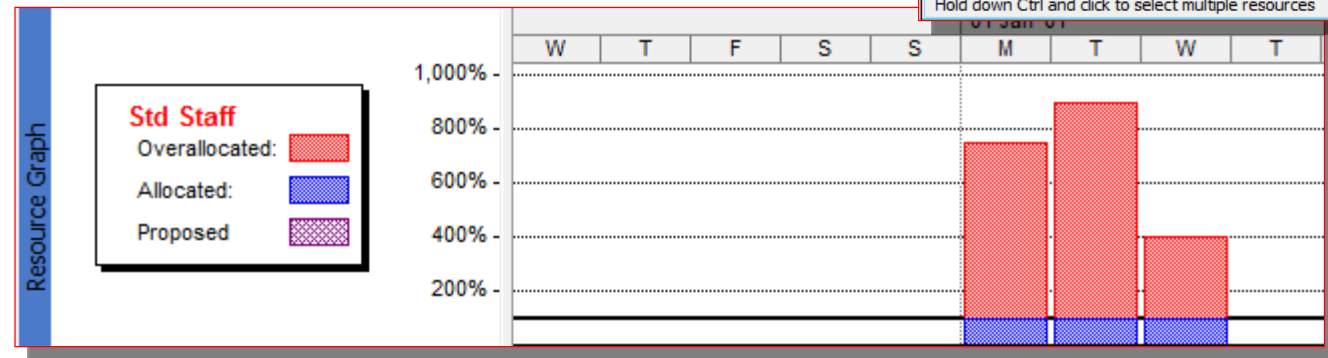
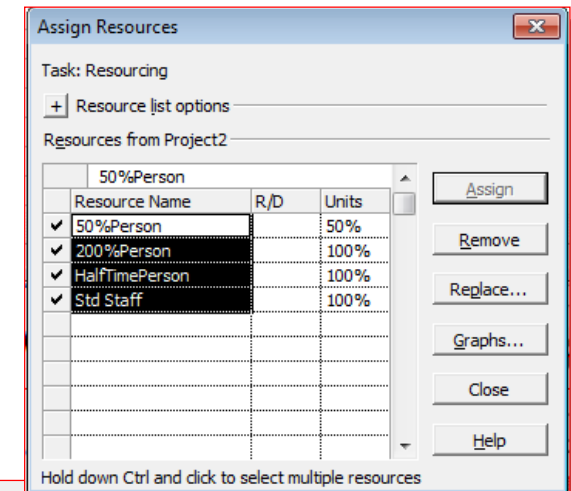


Assignment Units and Percentage

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- Default assignment is *Max Units* or 100%
 - For people “*Max.Units*” ≈ Head-Count or FTEs (Full Time Equivalents)
 - For tasks “*Assignment Units*” = %age of “*Max.Units*”
 - Availability can be a decimal

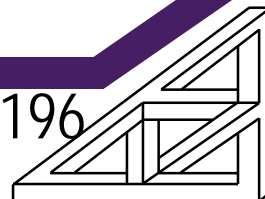
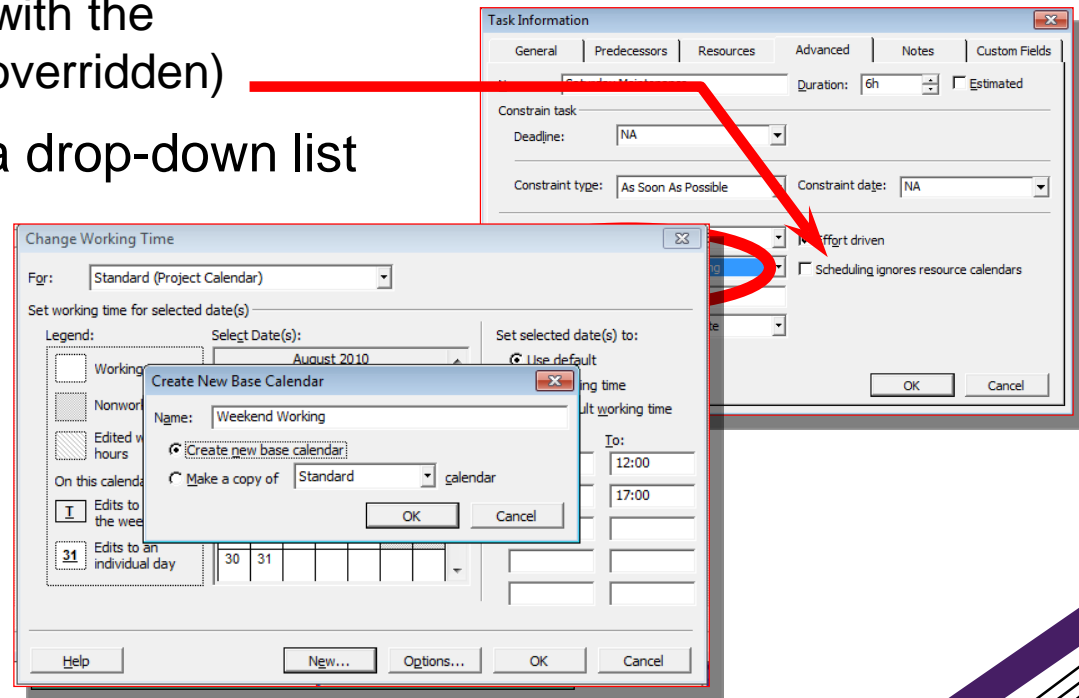
Tools | Options | Schedule-Tab | Show Assignment As
- *Max. Units* marks the level of assigned resource beyond which the resource is flagged ‘Over-Allocated’
 - Only detectable in the Resource views



Scheduling With Calendars

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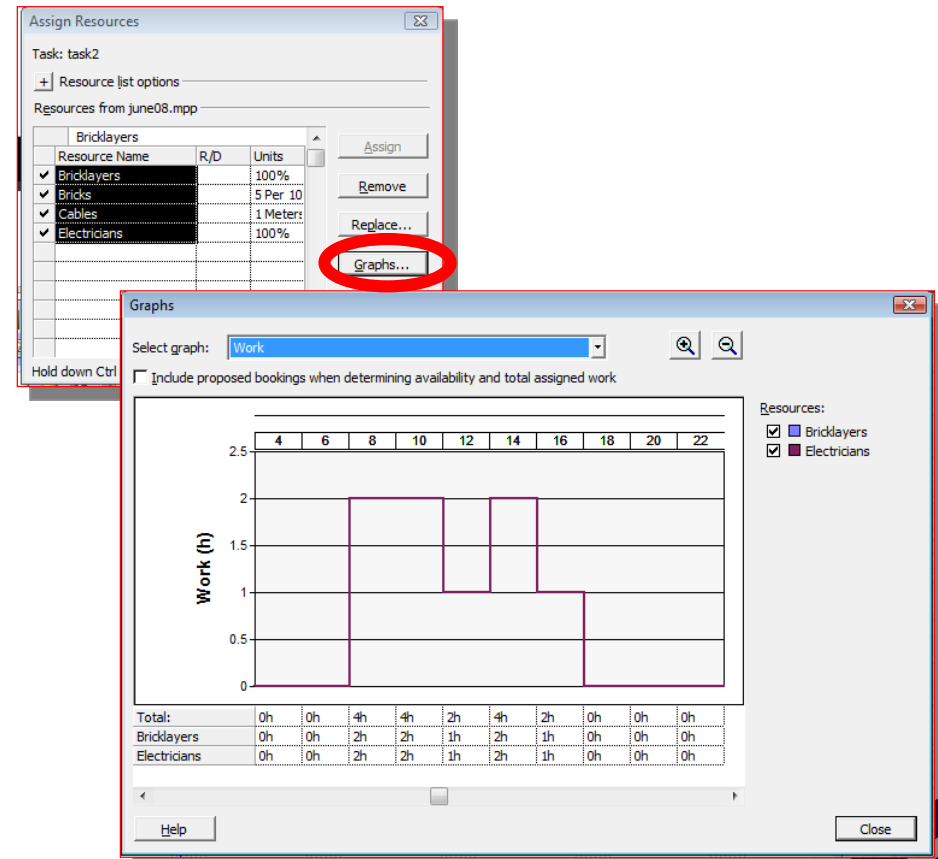
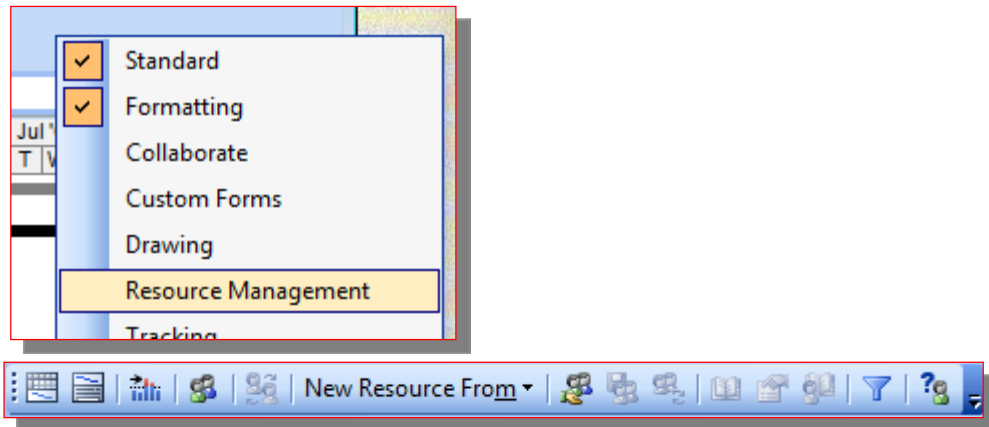
- Tasks are first scheduled according to the project calendar
 - If the assigned resource has a different working pattern the task is scheduled to the resource's calendar*
 - If the task has a calendar it overrides the project calendar
 - Task calendars are combined with the resource's availability (unless overridden)
- Task calendars are selected from a drop-down list so must be specifically pre-created
 - *Tools / Change Working Time / New: Set the "name" and details*
 - Assign to relevant tasks
 - Select tasks:
 - Task Information / Advanced-Tab / Calendar: "name"*



Resource Profiles

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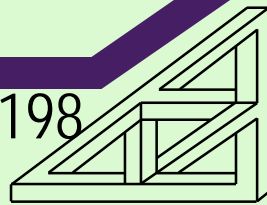
- While assigning resources it is possible to see the resource's commitment level
- Wait till project has first-cut 'ideal scheduling' and then resolve issues using the *resource management toolbar*
- Realistic schedules can normally only be achieved with a *Usage* view



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Concentrate first then play!

Task Type

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- A task can be
 - Fixed-Work (by definition Effort Driven)
 - Fixed-Units & Effort Driven
 - Fixed-Duration & Effort Driven
 - Fixed-Units
 - Fixed-Duration

- Task-Type is used when Duration, Work, Resource relationship exists
 - Which dependant factor to change when any other factor is amended
 - EG Add resources to a fixed duration task: MSPJ will reduce *Units* or add *Work*

	Task Name	Work	Duration	01 Jan '01							
				S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	FD-Ed	16 hrs	2 days								
2	FD-Ned	16 hrs	2 days								

Task Name	Work	Duration	01 Jan '01							08 Jan '01							
			S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
FD-Ed	16 hrs	2 days															
FD-Ned	48 hrs	2 days															

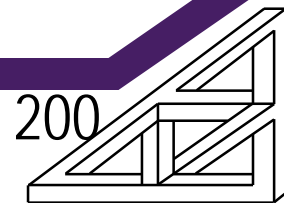




Initial Assignments

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- Initial assignment uses the **number** of resources assigned
 - Computes a relationship between Duration and Work and Units
- Two actions are performed by MSPJ on initial assignment
 1. Initial assignment calculates *duration* and or *work* and or *assigned resource units*
 - Based on resources initially assigned, the elements of work and duration pre-set and the task's *Task-Type/ Effort-Driven status*
 - Default data entry tables include *Duration* but not *Work* ☹
 - 'Expectation' is that Initial Assignment of resources (IE Units) sets *Work* based on *Duration* times number of assigned resources
 - What-ever you pre-set MSPJ will use initial resource assignment to calculate a task's other initial values
 2. MSPJ then schedules time-phased assignment of the resources over the duration and work-load

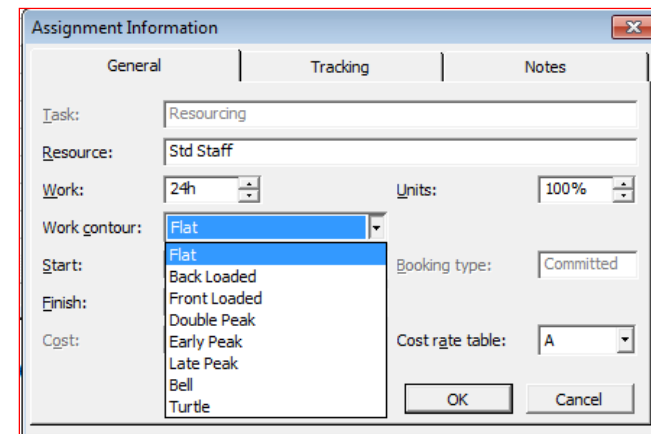




Initial Scheduling

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- Initial assignment immediately schedules the calculated work, duration and resource assignments
 - Work and relevant calendars determine duration
 - Dependencies determine start or finish
 - The other date is determined by simple arithmetic
 - $\text{Start} + \text{Duration} = \text{Finish}$ or $\text{Finish} - \text{Duration} = \text{Start}$
- By default assignment-units are spread evenly over task's duration
 - Alternate distributions available
 - Contour affects *Duration* & *Work*!
See ResouceProfiles.mpp
 - MSPJ's "guesses" are a start point for editing in a *Usage Sheet* (if precision is needed)





Effect of Task-Type on Assignments

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- When assigning a standard 8hr per day staff member to a task without specification of work – work is calculated

WBS	Name	Duration	Work	Resource Names	Effort Driver	Type	25 Dec '00												01 Jan '01												08 Jan '01											
							F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S												
1	FW	1 day?	8 hrs	Std Staff	Yes	Fixed Work													Std Staff																							
2	FU-Ed	1 day?	8 hrs	Std Staff	Yes	Fixed Units													Std Staff																							
3	FD-Ed	1 day?	8 hrs	Std Staff	Yes	Fixed Duration													Std Staff																							
4	FU	1 day?	8 hrs	Std Staff	No	Fixed Units													Std Staff																							
5	FD	1 day?	8 hrs	Std Staff	No	Fixed Duration													Std Staff																							

– Duration * Units (of Resource) * Hours per Std Day * Contour = Work

- Affect of assigning same staffer to task with 24hrs work pre-specified

6	FW	3 days?	24 hrs	Std Staff	Yes	Fixed Work																							
7	FU-Ed	3 days?	24 hrs	Std Staff	Yes	Fixed Units																							
8	FD-Ed	1 day?	24 hrs	Std Staff[300%]	Yes	Fixed Duration																							
9	FU	3 days?	24 hrs	Std Staff[300%]	No	Fixed Units																							
10	FD	1 day?	24 hrs	Std Staff[300%]	No	Fixed Duration																							

– Task Type determines how Work / {Units or Duration} = {Duration or Units}

- Contouring is ignored in discussions of auto-scheduling from now on





Affect of Initial Assignment When Work Is Not Set 1/3

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- Initially effort is determined from Task-Duration and Resource-Units assigned

	Task Name	Duration	Work	Start	Finish	Resource Names	01 Jan '01
							S M T W T F S S
1	Task-1 FU-Ed	1 day	0 hrs	01 Jan 08:00	01 Jan 17:00		
2	Task-2 FU-Ed	1 day	0 hrs	01 Jan 08:00	01 Jan 17:00		
3	Task-3 FU-Ed	1 day	0 hrs	01 Jan 08:00	01 Jan 17:00		

- Assigning resources sets the amount of work

	Task Name	Duration	Work	Start	Finish	Resource Names	01 Jan '01	08 Jan '01
							S M T W T F S S	S M T W T F S S
1	Task-1 FU-Ed	1 day	8 hrs	01 Jan 01:00	01 Jan 09:00	16Hr A Day Resource		
2	Task-2 FU-Ed	1 day	32 hrs	01 Jan 08:00	01 Jan 17:00	Generic 10 People[400%]		
3	Task-3 FU-Ed	1 day	8 hrs	01 Jan 08:00	01 Jan 17:00	TwoDay A Week Person		

- Project and resource calendars determine the dates on which work is done
 - Task-1 is 1d working day's duration (wdd) and assigned to one resource ∴
 - Work = Standard day (8 hrs) * 1wdd * 1 resource = 8 work hrs
 - '16hr Person' starts work at 01:00 so task completed by 09:00 (Project StartDate 31/12)

	Task Name	Work	Duration	Start	Finish	Resource	01 Jan '01	08 Jan '01
							S M T W T F S S	S M T W T F S S
5	4hrTaskCal	8 hrs	1 day?	01 Jan 08:00	02 Jan 12:00	8Hr a Day		
6	5wdd	40 hrs	5 days	01 Jan 08:00	05 Jan 17:00	8Hr a Day		
7	7ed	168 hrs	7 edays	01 Jan 08:00	08 Jan 08:00	8Hr a Day		

- Task calendar affects scheduling but not the work calculation (but edays do!)





Affect of Initial Assignment When Work Is Not Set 2/3

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- Initially effort is determined from Task-Duration and Resource-Units assigned

	Task Name	Duration	Work	Start	Finish	Resource Names	01 Jan '01						
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1	Task-1 FU-Ed	1 day	0 hrs	01 Jan 08:00	01 Jan 17:00								
2	Task-2 FU-Ed	1 day	0 hrs	01 Jan 08:00	01 Jan 17:00								
3	Task-3 FU-Ed	1 day	0 hrs	01 Jan 08:00	01 Jan 17:00								

- Task-2 1wdd x 4 resources x 8 Std day hrs = 32 work hrs
 - 4 people start work at 08:00 so (with lunch) have delivered 32hrs effort by 17:00

	Task Name	Duration	Work	Start	Finish	Resource Names	01 Jan '01							08 Jan '01						
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2	Task-2 FU-Ed	1 day	32 hrs	01 Jan 08:00	01 Jan 17:00	Generic 10 People[4]														
3	Task-3 FU-Ed	1 day	8 hrs	01 Jan 08:00	01 Jan 17:00	TwoDay A Week Per														

- Task-3 1wdd x 1 resource x 8 Std day hrs = 8 work hrs
 - TwoDayAWeekPerson starts 08:00 and finishes (with lunch) by 17:00



Affect of Initial Assignment When Work Is Not Set 3/3



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- Task-4 is $4\text{wdd} * 1 \text{ resource} * 8 \text{ Std day hrs} = 32 \text{ work hrs}$
 - But '16Hr Person' does 2 Working Days per Calendar Day so Task-4 is scheduled in 2 calendar days (Note: 'Duration' is shown as 4☹)

	Task Name	Duration	Work	Start	Finish	Resource Names	01 Jan '01						
							S	M	T	W	T	F	S
Gantt Chart	1	Task-1 FU-Ed	1 day	0 hrs	01 Jan 08:00	01 Jan 17:00							
	2	Task-2 FU-Ed	1 day	0 hrs	01 Jan 08:00	01 Jan 17:00							
	3	Task-3 FU-Ed	1 day	0 hrs	01 Jan 08:00	01 Jan 17:00							
	4	Task-4 FU-Ed	4 days	0 hrs	01 Jan 08:00	04 Jan 17:00							
	5	Task-5 FU-Ed	4 days	0 hrs	01 Jan 08:00	04 Jan 17:00							
	6	Task-6 FU-Ed	4 days	0 hrs	01 Jan 08:00	04 Jan 17:00							

Gantt Chart	4	Task-4 FU-Ed	4 days	32 hrs	01 Jan 01:00	02 Jan 17:00	16Hr A Day Resource						
	5	Task-5 FU-Ed	4 days	128 hrs	01 Jan 08:00	04 Jan 17:00	Generic 10 People[400%]						
	6	Task-6 FU-Ed	4 days	32 hrs	01 Jan 08:00	09 Jan 17:00	TwoDay A Week Person						

- T5's work is $4\text{wdd} * 4 \text{ Resources} * 8\text{hrs/day} = 128 \text{ work hrs}$
 - Since 4 8hr_a_day resources assigned in parallel duration is 4 working days
- T6's effort (work) is calculated as $4\text{wdd} * 1 \text{ Resource} * 8 \text{ Std hrs} = 32\text{w_hrs}$
 - TwoDayPerson only works Mon & Tuesday so scheduling takes $1\frac{1}{2}$ weeks
 - Note: Duration (wrongly?) shown as 4d – IE 4wdd not 4edd





Assigning Resource To Task With Pre-Estimated Work 1/3

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- Tasks entered with work defined rather than duration

	Task Name	Duration	Work	Start	Finish	Resource Names	01 Jan '01							08 Jan '01							15 Jan '01							22 Jan '01							29 Jan '01							05 Feb '01																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																									
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- Task-1's working duration of 80hrs/ (8hr per day * 1 resource) = 10wdd
 - 10wd scheduled at 2d/ week = 5 elapsed_working_weeks (eww)

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Assigning Resource To Task With Pre-Estimated Work 2/3



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- Task-2 identical to Task-1

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- Task-2's 80hrs_work / (8hr per day * 1 resource) also = 10wdd
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9	Task-1	10 days?	80 hrs	Mon 01/01/01	Tue 30/01/01	TwoDay A Week Person	TwoDay A Week Person																																																	
10	Task-2	10 days?	80 hrs	Mon 01/01/01	Mon 08/01/01	16Hr A Day Resource	16Hr A Day Resource																																																	

- Note: (in this case) Project start is 08:00 so Task-2's end is Monday

Gantt Chart	Task Name	Duration	Work	Start	Finish	Resource Names	01 Jan '01							08 Jan '01							15 Jan '01						
							M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S
1	Task-2	10 days?	80 hrs	Mon 01/01/01	Mon 08/01/01	16Hr A Day Resource																					
2	5day ta	5 days	0 hrs	Mon 01/01/01	Fri 05/01/01																						
3	Task-2	10 days?	80 hrs	Mon 08/01/01	Fri 12/01/01	16Hr A Day Resource																					

If scheduled a week later
it fits in the week
(or if project start date was
defined with
a time &
date)

Task Usage	Task Name	Work	Details	01 Jan '01														08 Jan '01				
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1	Task-2	80 hrs	Work		9h	16h	16h	16h	16h			7h										
	16Hr A Day Resource	80 hrs	Work		9h	16h	16h	16h	16h			7h										
2	5day task	0 hrs	Work																			
3	Task-2	80 hrs	Work									16h	16h	16h	16h	16h		16h	16h	16h	16h	16h
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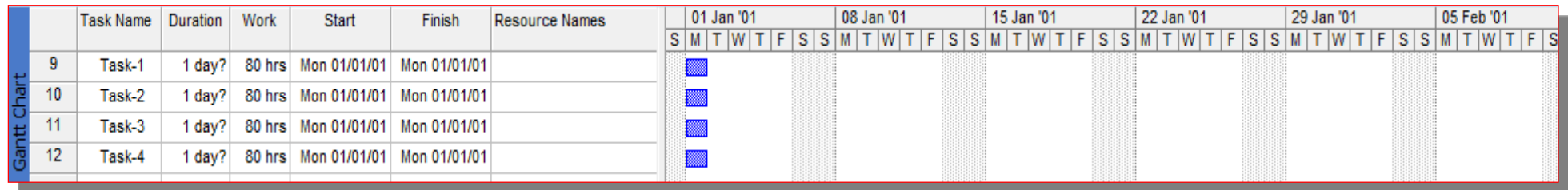




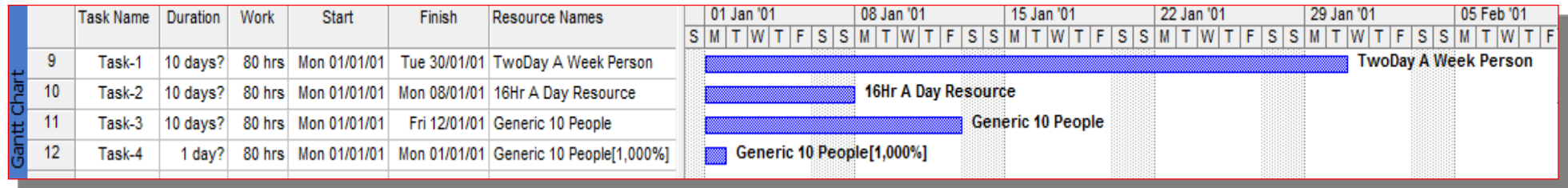
Assigning Resource To Task With Pre-Estimated Work 3/3

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- Tasks 3 and 4 identical to 1 and 2



- Task-3's $80\text{hrs_wd} / (8\text{hr per day} * 1 \text{ resource})$ also = 10wdd
 - 10wdd scheduled at 8w hr/ day = 10wdd (!) = 2 elapsed_working_weeks



- Task-4's $80\text{hrs_wd} / (8\text{hrs per day} * 10 \text{ resources}) = 80 / 80 = 1 \text{ ewd}$
 - 80hrs work taking 10wd scheduled on 1 ewd
 - Duration shown as 1 not 10!?

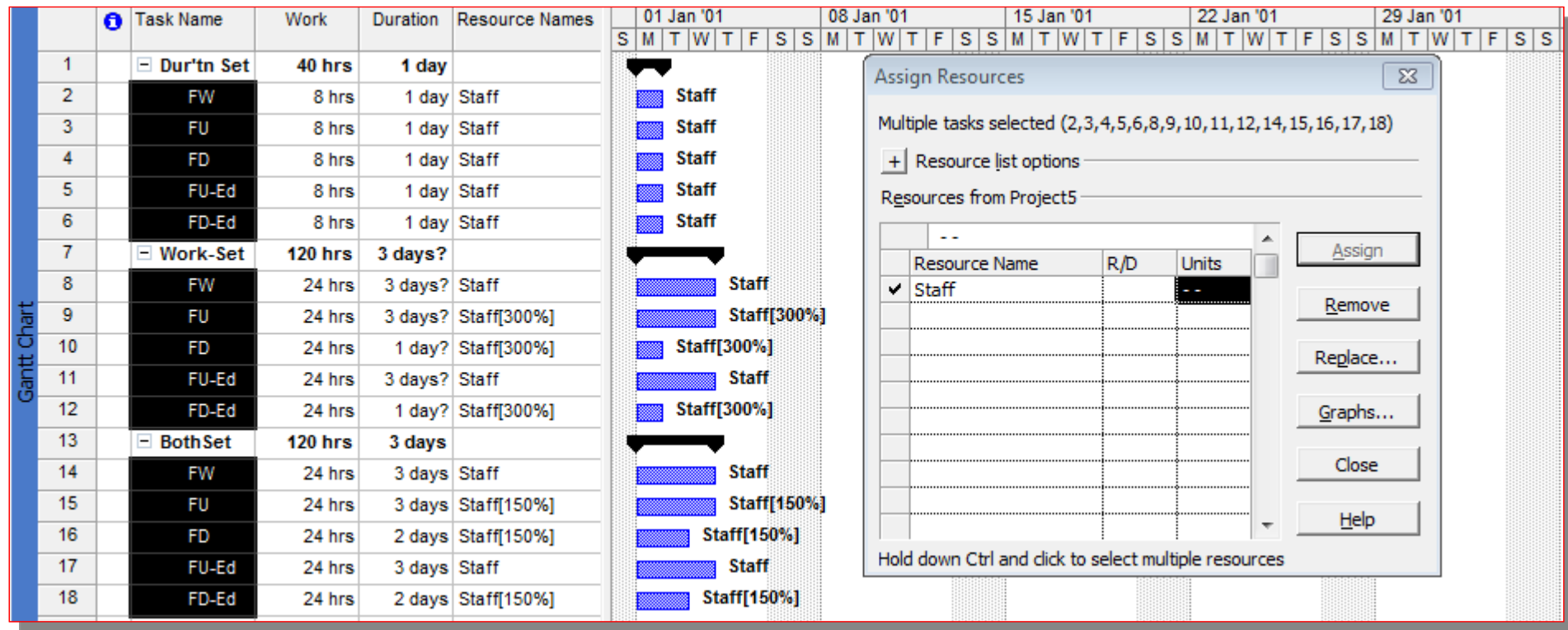


Initial Assignment: The Full Story (Ignoring Contouring)



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- Completely reliable results only achieved in *Usage Views* (I think)



Initial Entry

Initial Assignment
1 person

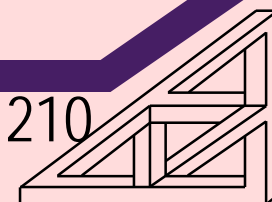




15m Exploring What We Just Covered

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- 15m – Enough to see the complexity and interaction
 - We need to cover more before you can develop full understanding
 - Don't expect full understanding now (in just 15mins!) It's a bonus if you do!
- Try experimenting with the previous concepts to create and assign resources
 - Create tasks with the 5 Task Types and Effort-Driven combinations
 - Leave importing to the next case study segment
 - Try creating your own first THEN if you want further, methodical experimentation try the given file
 - The file *Task-Types.mpt* already contains tasks and resources
 - Open As Copy? (or close without saving or save to a new name)
 - Summary tasks names reflect the resources to assign
- Next exploration is on CHANGES to initial assignments (in just 11 slides time)



Contents: Fixed Duration, Fixed Units and Effort Driven

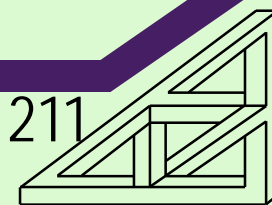
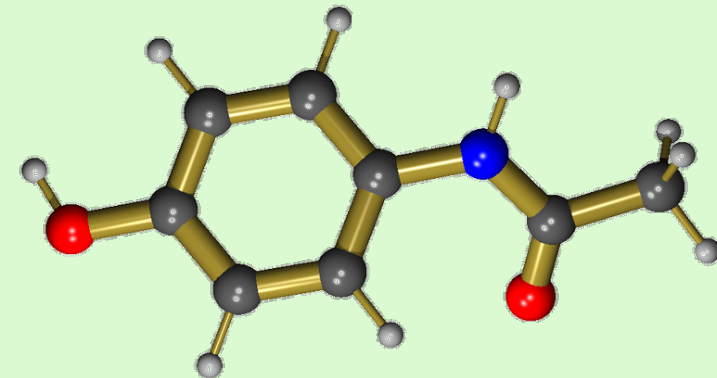
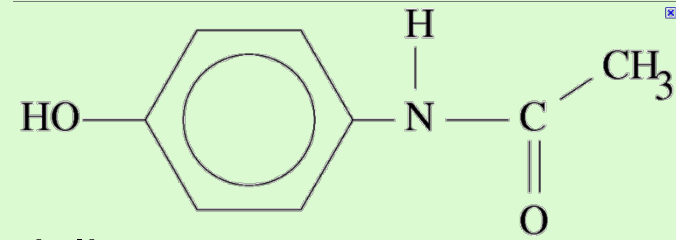


Another Concentrate first then play!

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- Resource Pools
 - Assigning Resources
 - Task Type, Initial Assignments and Initial Scheduling
 - Time to explore concepts just covered
- ➡ Fixed Duration and Fixed Units ± Effort Driven
- Time to explore concepts just covered

- Task-Usage and Assignment Sheets
- Summary
- Case-Study





Fixed Duration and Fixed Units ± Effort Driven

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- *Task Type* specifies what is recalculated when changing a task's effort, assignments and work-load
 - Fixed Units + Effort driven is the default (IE *Duration* determines *Work*)
 - Effort Driven also the default for Fixed Duration
 - Fixed Work is by definition 'Effort Driven'
- If one of Effort, Duration or Resource is changed & 1 is fixed so the third is recalculated
- EG Fixed Duration
 - If I alter Work then
Work / Duration = re-calculated Units
 - If I alter Units then
Units x Duration = re-calculated Work
 - If I manually alter Duration then Duration x Units = re-calculated Work





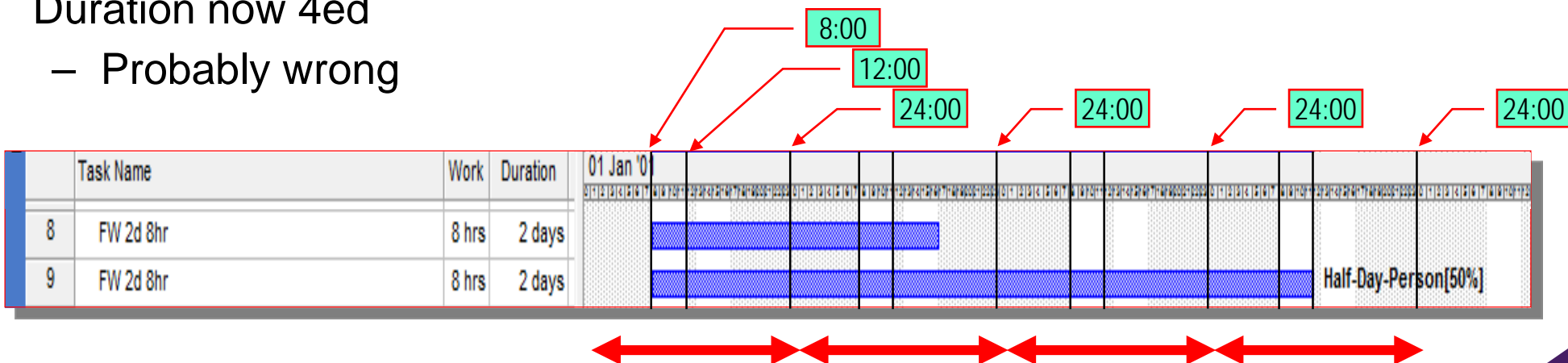
MSPJ Logic Often Opaque!

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- Before and after assigning resource to a FW 8hr 2d task (IE ½ time)
 - Resource's working pattern is 08:00 to 12:00 (IE Also ½ time)
 - MSPJ assigns ½ time person ½ time

Task Usage	Task Name	Work	Details	01 Jan '01						
				S	M	T	W	T	F	
8	FW 2d 8hr	8 hrs	Work		4h	4h				
9	FW 2d 8hr	8 hrs	Work		2h	2h	2h	2h		
	Half-Day-Person	8 hrs	Work		2h	2h	2h	2h		

- Duration now 4ed
 - Probably wrong

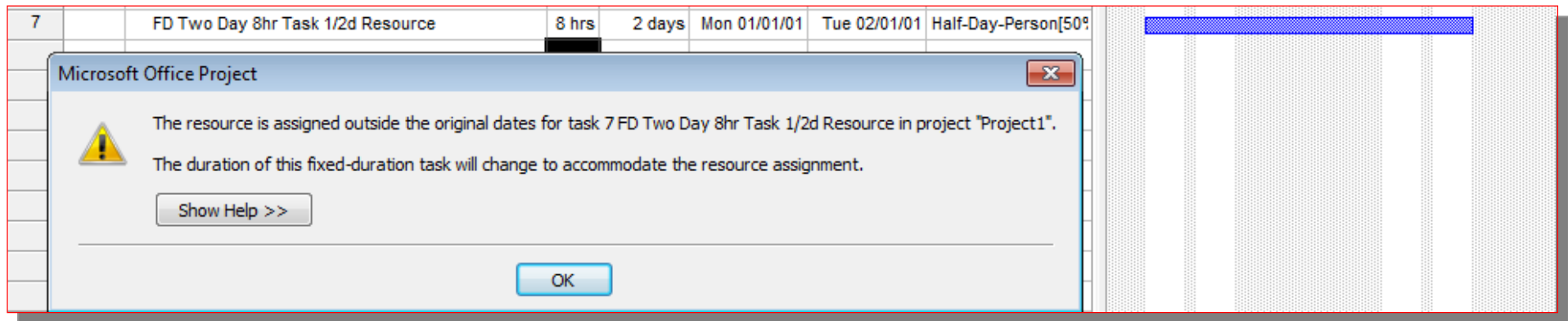




MSPJ Warns For Some Changes

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- Warnings issued when 'impossible' instructions received
 - FD-Ed 2wdd 8Hr task given to a 4hr/day resource scheduled ½ time



- At 2hr/day task is either 2wdd and \therefore 4hr work or really 8hr work and \therefore 4wdd
 - MSPJ makes the change then tells you

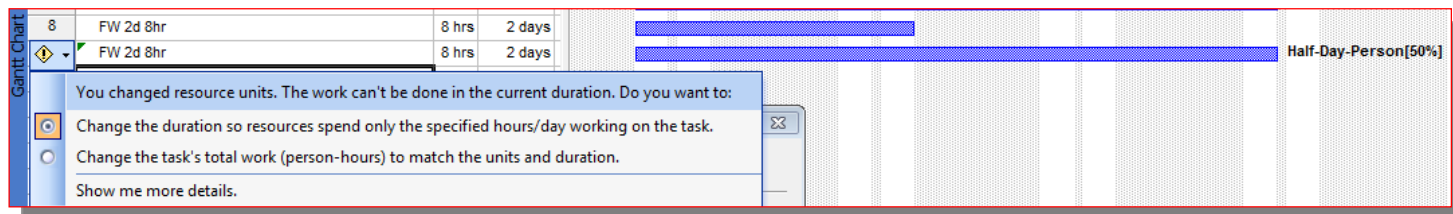




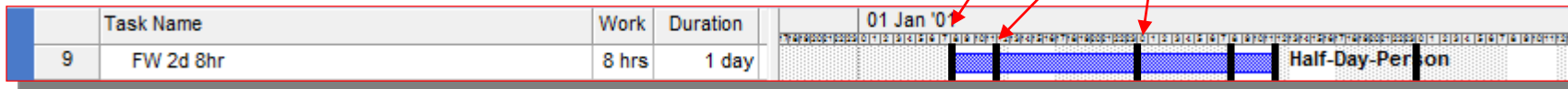
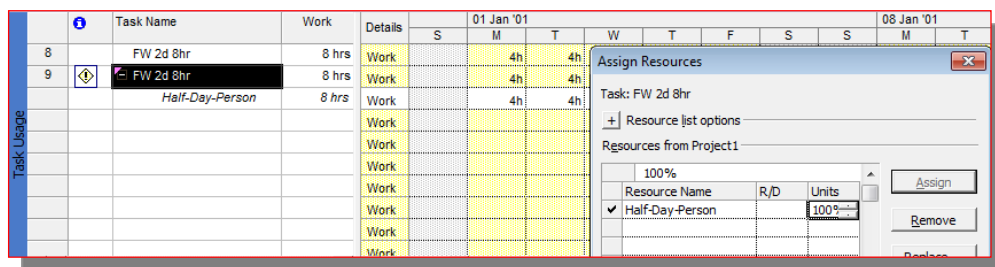
MSPJ Questions Some Changes

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- Corrections can be frustratingly difficult to apply (Hence 2010 dumb-down)
 - Reconsider the Task-Type and Effort-Driven settings



- Resource assignment and Task-Usage (or Resource-Usage) best tools
 - Sometimes (always?) helps to temporarily set Work to 0



- Duration is 1.5 ewdd or 1wdd spread over 1.5 calendar days



What Get Changed!

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- If a task is Fixed 'Whatever' its whatever only changes through human input never by recalculation
 - Fixed units is the default

What You Change

Task
type

	Duration	Units	Work
Fixed Duration	Work	Work	Units
Fixed Units	Work	Duration	Duration
Fixed Work	Units	Duration	Duration

- Fixed units: resources remain constant if duration or work is changed
- Fixed work: change to duration amends resourcing to maintain 'effort'
- Fixed duration: change to work recalculates units to maintain duration

What
MSPJ
Adjusts



Exploring Change To Duration, Work and Units

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- A resource's availability is described by their calendar

	i	Resource Name	Type	Initials	Max. Units	Base Calendar
1		16Hr A Day Resource	Work	16hr	100%	16HrDay
2		Generic 10 People	Work	10p	1,000%	Standard
3		TwoDay A Week Person	Work	2Day	100%	TwoDayWeek

- A task's *duration* or *work* is set on first assignment and maintained on changes

Gantt Chart	Task Name	Duration	Work	Start	Finish	Resource Names	01 Jan '01							
							S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S
	1	Task-1 FU-Ed	1 day	0 hrs	01 Jan 08:00	01 Jan 17:00								
	2	Task-2 FU-Ed	1 day	0 hrs	01 Jan 08:00	01 Jan 17:00								
	3	Task-3 FU-Ed	1 day	0 hrs	01 Jan 08:00	01 Jan 17:00								
	4	Task-4 FU-Ed	4 days	0 hrs	01 Jan 08:00	04 Jan 17:00								
	5	Task-5 FU-Ed	4 days	0 hrs	01 Jan 08:00	04 Jan 17:00								
6	Task-6 FU-Ed	4 days	0 hrs	01 Jan 08:00	04 Jan 17:00									

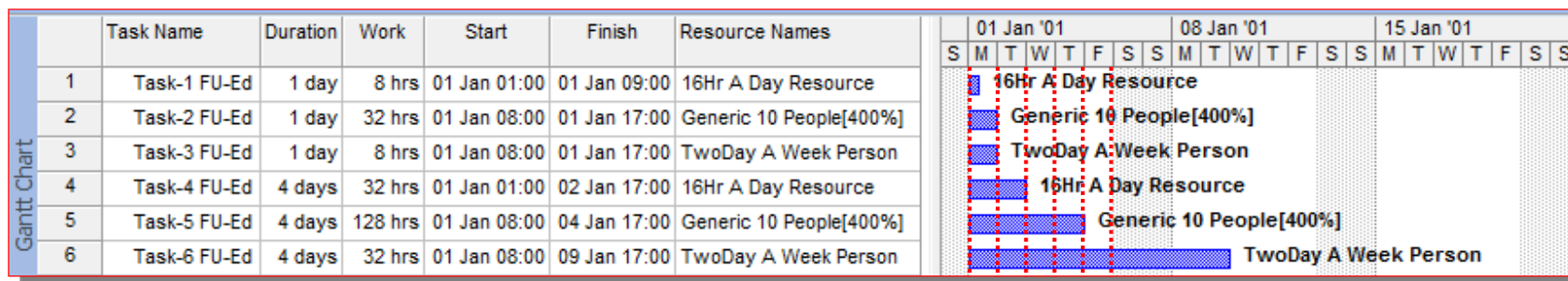
- Task Type is relevant when task has Work defined
 - Recall Initial Assignment first determines *Work* (*duration*) then schedules



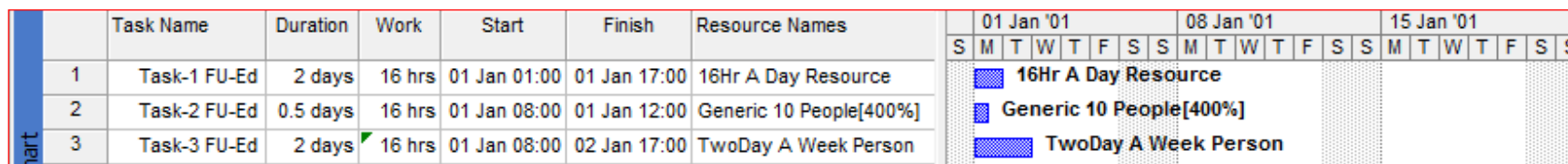
Changing Work Hours Maintains Effort (By Default – FU-Ed)

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- Subsequent change to Work hours maintains 'Duration = Effort / Resources'



- If Task-1 FU-Ed work is changed to 16hrs
 - 16Hr A Day Resource used for 1ed ('duration' now wrongly? shown as 2wdd)



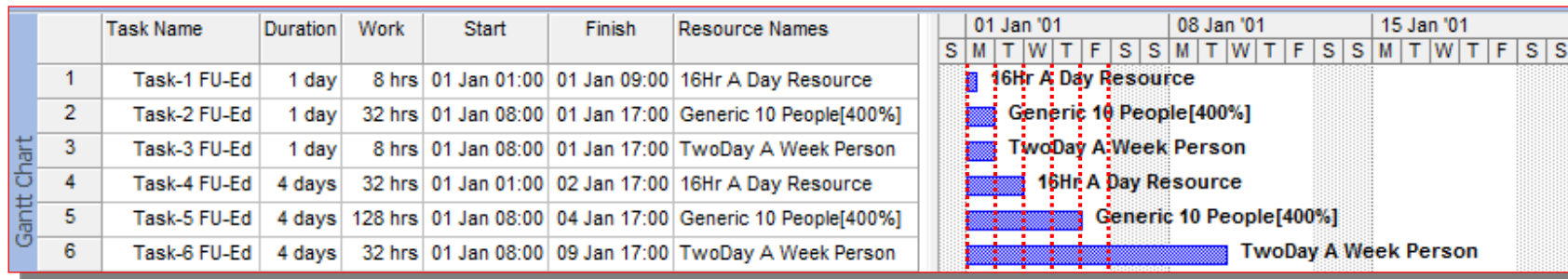
- If Task-2 FU-Ed work changed to 16 hrs
 - Four people now only need ½ a day's duration
- If Task-3 FU-Ed work changed to 16hrs
 - Fits Two Day A Week Person's Resource Calendar



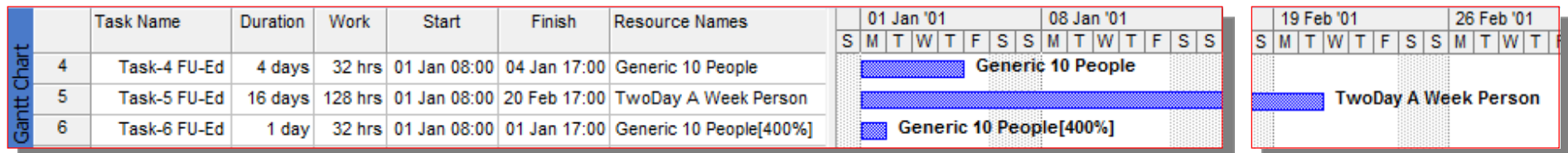
Changing Resources Maintains Effort (By Default FU-Ed)

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- Subsequent changes of resource maintains 'Duration = Effort / Resources'



- If T4 is reassigned to a resource with a "standard" calendar: now 4wdd in 4ed

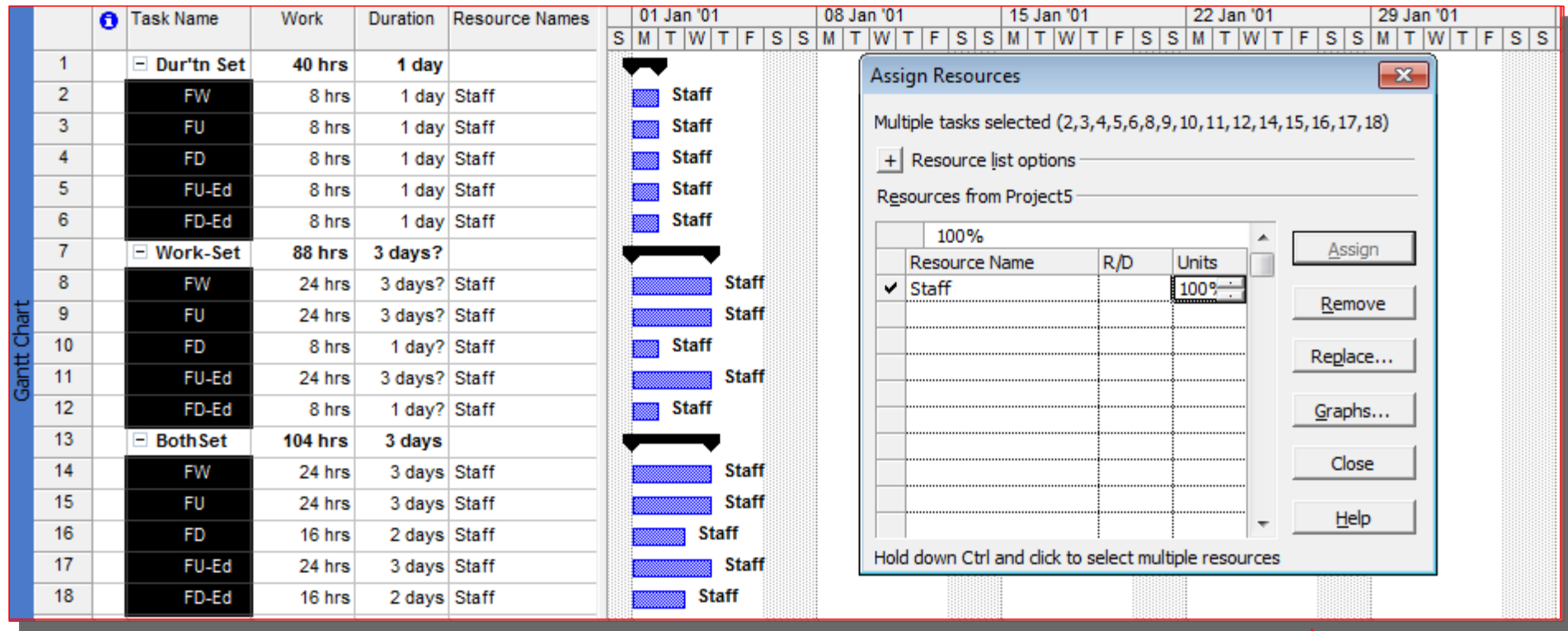


- If Task-5 FU-Ed reassigned to TwoDayPerson
 - Needs 8 elapsed weeks of Mon & Tue to deliver 128hrs effort or 16 wdd
- If Task-6 FU-Ed reassigned to 4 resources with a standard calendar
 - Now 4wdd in 1 elapsed calendar day's duration

Calculation Of Work and Duration: Full Story? 1/2

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- Completely reliable results only achieved in Task-Usage (I think)



Initial Entry

Initial Assignment
1 person

Change assignment
to 2 people

Change assignment
back to 1 person



Calculation Of Work and Duration: Full Story? 2/2

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Task Name	Work	Duration	Work	Duration	Resource Names	01 Jan '01							08	Work	Duration	Resource Names	01 Jan '01							Work	Duration	Resource Names	01 Jan '01							
						S	M	T	W	T	F	S					S	S	M	S	M	T	W				T	F	S	S	S	M	S	M
[-] Dur'tn Set	0 hrs	1 day	40 hrs	1 day										56 hrs	1 day										40 hrs	1 day								
FW	0 hrs	1 day	8 hrs	1 day	Staff									8 hrs	0.5 days	Staff[200%]									8 hrs	1 day	Staff							
FU	0 hrs	1 day	8 hrs	1 day	Staff									8 hrs	0.5 days	Staff[200%]									8 hrs	1 day	Staff							
FD	0 hrs	1 day	8 hrs	1 day	Staff									16 hrs	1 day	Staff[200%]									8 hrs	1 day	Staff							
FU-Ed	0 hrs	1 day	8 hrs	1 day	Staff									8 hrs	0.5 days	Staff[200%]									8 hrs	1 day	Staff							
FD-Ed	0 hrs	1 day	8 hrs	1 day	Staff									16 hrs	1 day	Staff[200%]									8 hrs	1 day	Staff							
[-] Work-Set	120 hrs	1 day?	120 hrs	3 days?										104 hrs	1.5 days?										88 hrs	3 days?								
FW	24 hrs	1 day?	24 hrs	3 days?	Staff									24 hrs	1.5 days?	Staff[200%]									24 hrs	3 days?	Staff							
FU	24 hrs	1 day?	24 hrs	3 days?	Staff[300%]									24 hrs	1.5 days?	Staff[200%]									24 hrs	3 days?	Staff							
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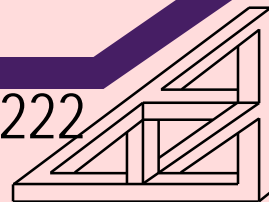




10m Exploring What We Just Covered

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- 10m to explore the affect of changing assignments
 - Task-Types.mpp a good start point again
 - Examine the resource sheet and resource info
 - Resource names are descriptive
- There will be time to apply these topics in the case study where usage will be more real-world than Task-Types (but not as exhaustive)



Contents: Task Usage & Assignment Sheets

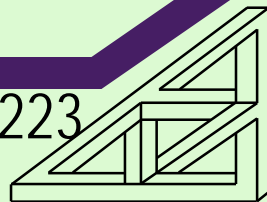
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- Resource Pools
- Assigning Resources
 - Task Type, Initial Assignments and Initial Scheduling
 - Time to explore concepts just covered
- Fixed Duration and Fixed Units \pm Effort Driven
 - Time to explore concepts just covered



Task-Usage and Assignment Sheets

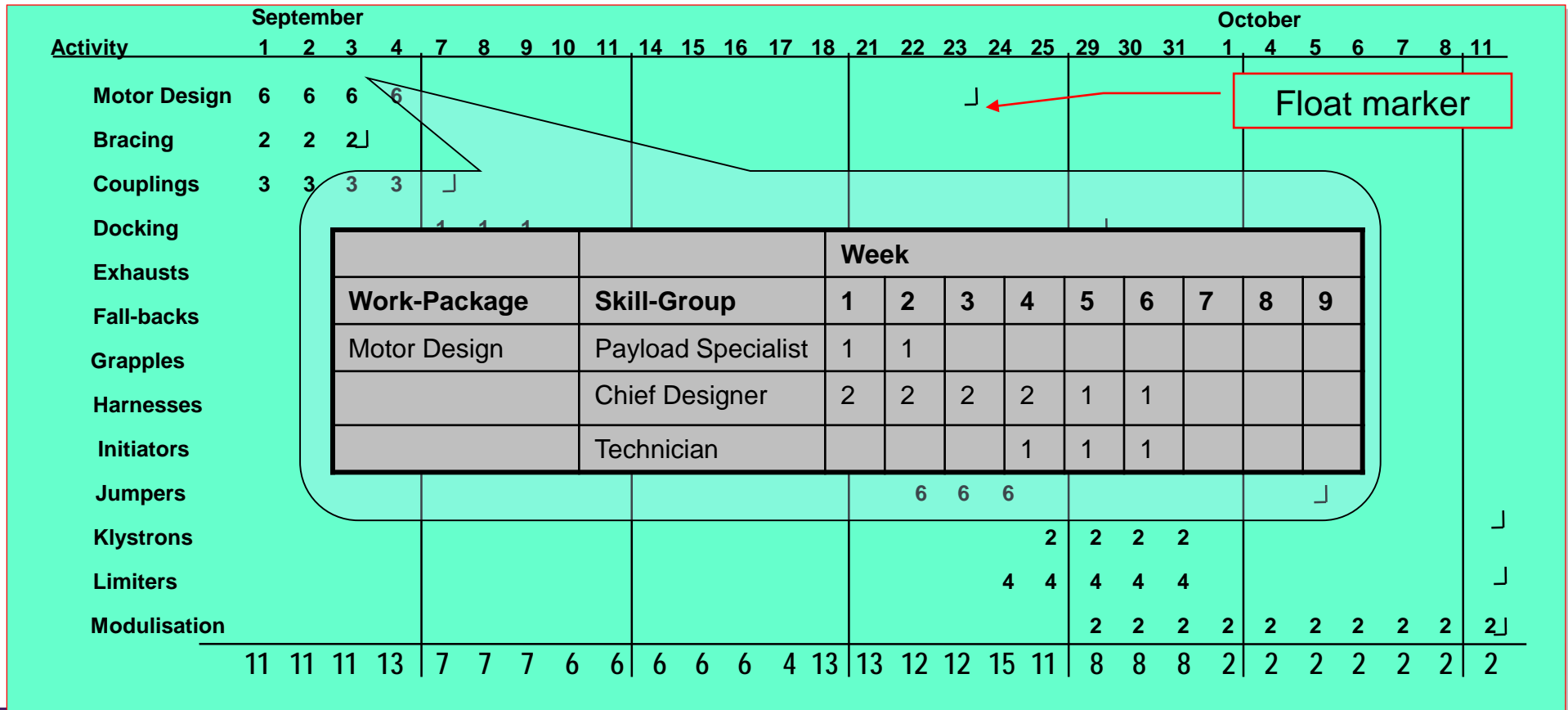
- Summary
- Case-Study



Task-Usage: The Resource Gantt

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- Shows Level of resource usage over the duration of each activity
 - Important to consider resource's calendar of availability





Tune Assignments Via An Assignment Sheet

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- The 2 *Usage* sheets give fine control over assigning resources to tasks in specific time-periods
- Task Usage* and *Resource Usage*
 - Differ only in the grouping displayed

Task Name	Work	Details	-1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
0 Lunar Imaging System	5,440 hrs	Work		40h	80h	200h	200h	240h	200h	160h	160h	240h	240h	200h	160h
		Cum. V		40h	120h	320h	520h	760h	960h	1,120h	1,280h	1,520h	1,760h	1,960h	2,120h
		Base. V		40h	80h	200h	200h	240h	200h	160h	160h	240h	240h	200h	160h
1 Start-MS	0 hrs	Work													
		Cum. V													
		Base. V													
2 Outline Design	120 hrs	Work		40h	80h										
		Cum. V		40h	120h	120h	120h	120h	120h	120h	120h	120h	120h	120h	120h
		Base. V		40h	80h										
Optical Eng.	80 hrs	Work		40h	40h										
		Cum. V		40h	80h	80h	80h	80h	80h	80h	80h	80h	80h	80h	80h
		Base. V		40h	40h										
Drawing Office	40 hrs	Work		0h	40h										
		Cum. V		0h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h
		Base. V			40h										
3 Optics Sub-System	1,200 hrs	Work				40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	80h	80h	40h	40h
		Cum. V				40h	80h	120h	160h	200h	240h	320h	400h	440h	480h
		Base. V				40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	80h	80h	40h	40h

Resource Name	Work	Details	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
+ Unassigned	0 hrs	Work									
		Cum. V									
1 Optical Eng.	1,120 hrs	Work	40h	40h	160h	160h	160h	120h	80h	80h	
		Cum. V	40h	80h	240h	400h	560h	680h	760h	840h	
Outline Design	80 hrs	Work	40h	40h							
		Cum. V	40h	80h	80h	80h	80h	80h	80h	80h	
Optics design	320 hrs	Work			40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	
		Cum. V			40h	80h	120h	160h	200h	240h	
Lens Sys Param	40 hrs	Work									
		Cum. V									
Casing design	280 hrs	Work			40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	
		Cum. V			40h	80h	120h	160h	200h	240h	
Design Laser R	160 hrs	Work			40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	
		Cum. V			40h	80h	120h	160h	200h	240h	
Purchase Laser	120 hrs	Work									
		Cum. V									

Detail Styles...

☒ Work

☐ Actual Work

☒ Cumulative Work

☐ Overallocation

☐ Cost

☐ Remaining Availability

- Probably the ONLY way to get a reliable, traceable, auditable result!

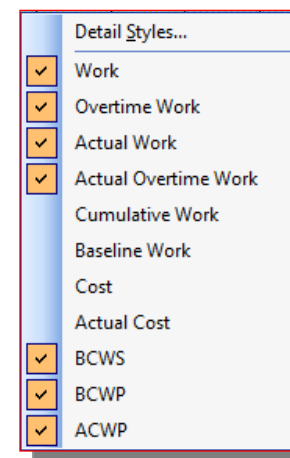
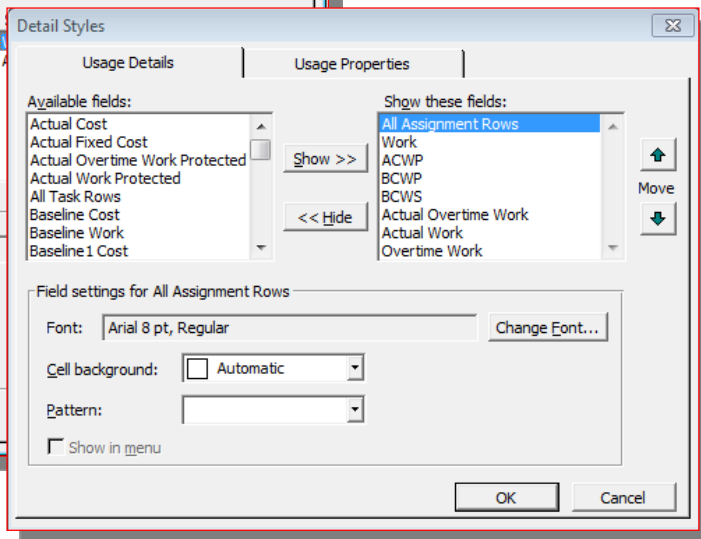
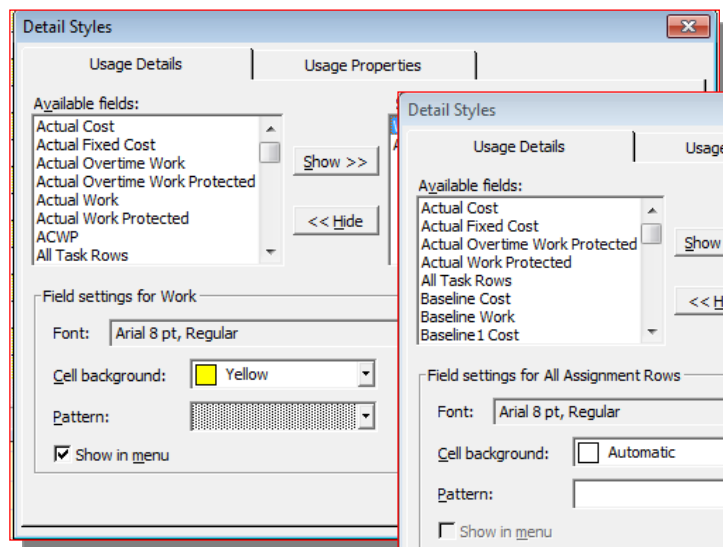
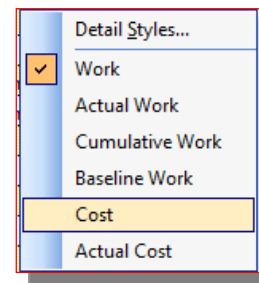
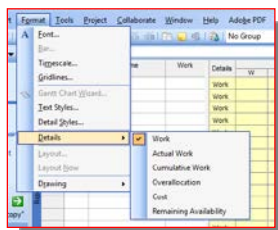




Available Assignment Fields

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 - Or use *Format | Details*
- Select *Detail Styles...* for extensive selection
 - Extends the quick menu until a data-item is de-selected

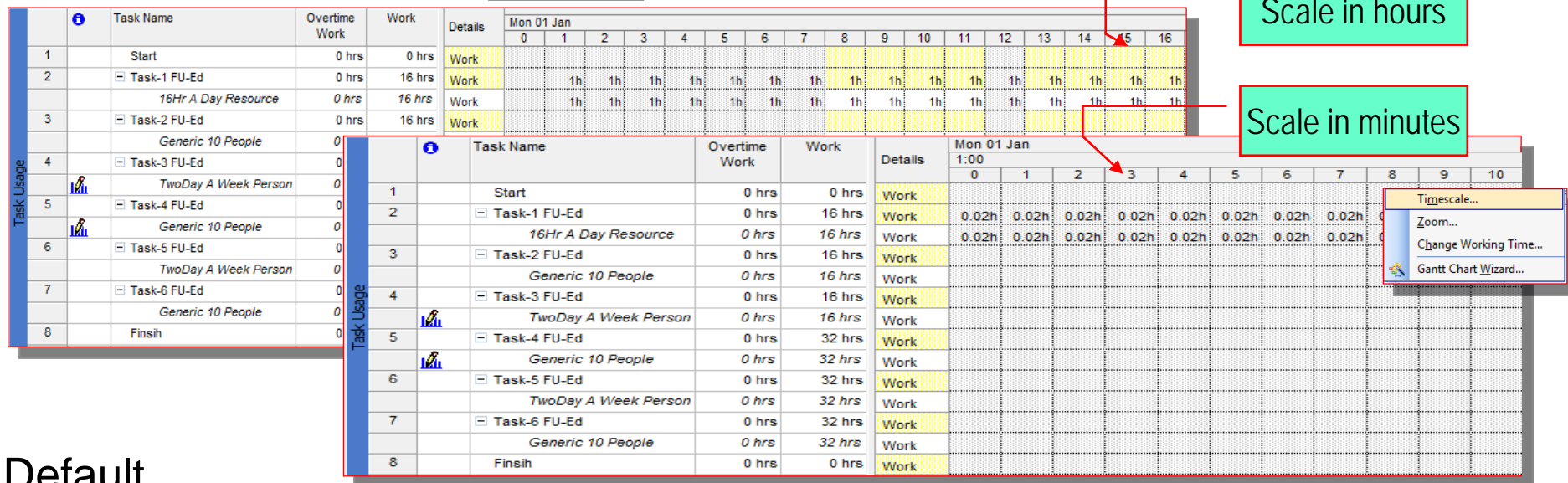




Usage Views Focus To The Minute

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- Zoom with the toolbar  or to the minute by hand



- Default
 - Non-working time in grey
 - Summary data in yellow
 - (Some) Data in white is editable at some times
 - E.g. Cost when a task is 100% complete or MSPJ cost calculation turned off

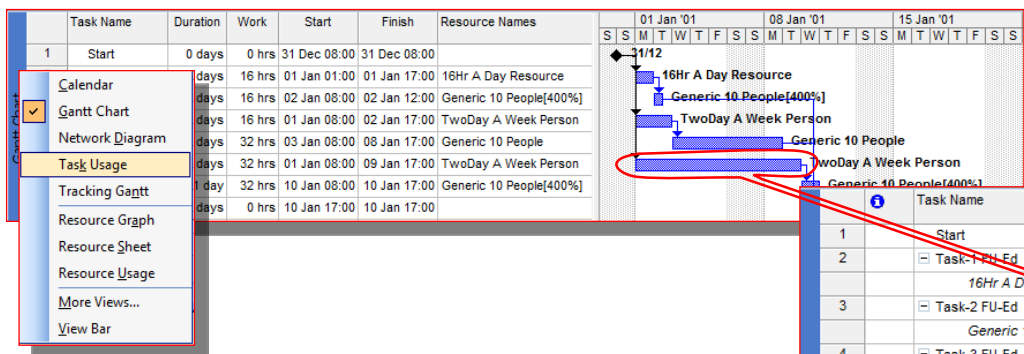




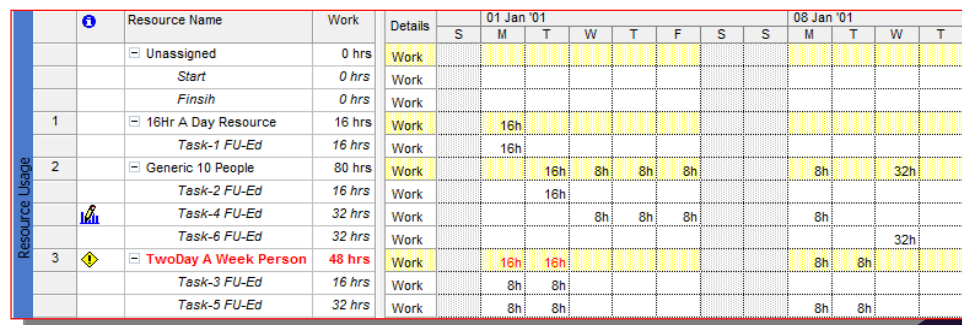
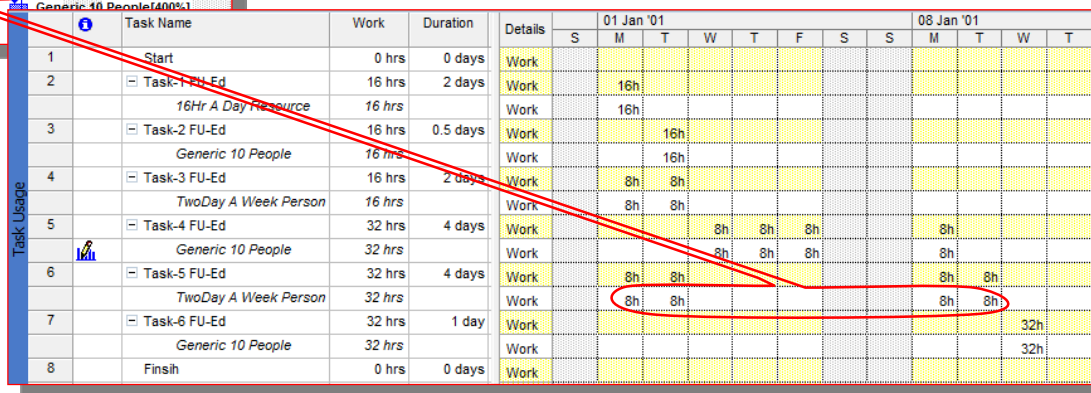
Using the Usage Views

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- Gantt bars are a summary of earliest and latest actual assignment data



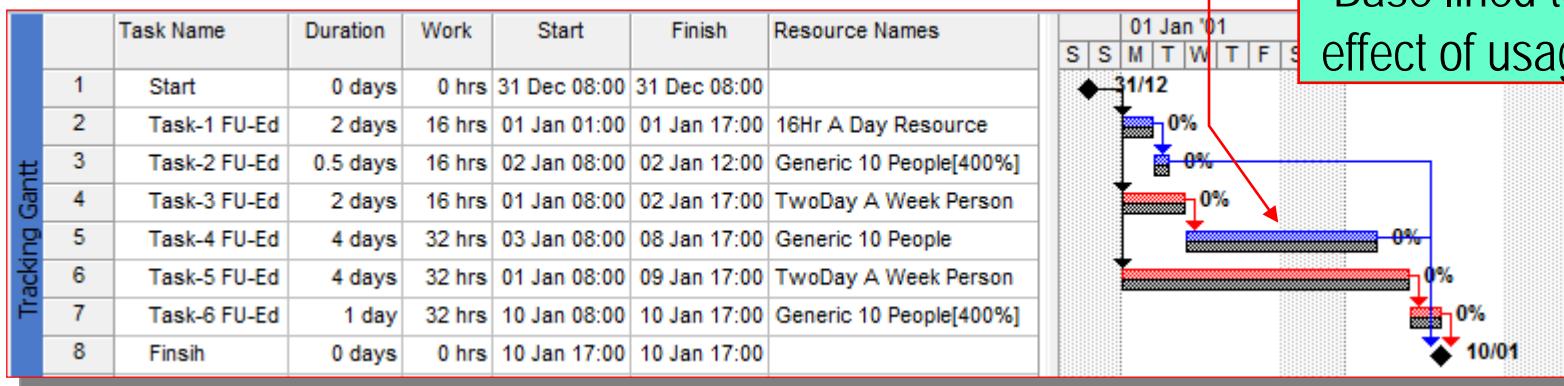
- Resource Usage* shows over-allocations
 - For fine control edit work directly in usage view
 - Also for tracking progress






Editing Assignments In Usage View

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- Start point



Task Usage	i	Task Name	Overtime Work	Work	Details	01 Jan '01							08 Jan '01						
						S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T		
1		Start	0 hrs	0 hrs	Work														
2		Task-1 FU-Ed	0 hrs	16 hrs	Work		16h												
		16Hr A Day Resource	0 hrs	16 hrs	Work		16h												
3		Task-2 FU-Ed	0 hrs	16 hrs	Work			16h											
		Generic 10 People	0 hrs	16 hrs	Work			16h											
4		Task-3 FU-Ed	0 hrs	16 hrs	Work		8h	8h											
		TwoDay A Week Person	0 hrs	16 hrs	Work		8h	8h											
5		Task-4 FU-Ed	0 hrs	32 hrs	Work				8h	8h	8h			8h					
		Generic 10 People	0 hrs	32 hrs	Work				8h	8h	8h			8h					
6		Task-5 FU-Ed	0 hrs	32 hrs	Work		8h	8h						8h	8h				
		TwoDay A Week Person	0 hrs	32 hrs	Work		8h	8h						8h	8h				
7		Task-6 FU-Ed	0 hrs	32 hrs	Work											32h			
		Generic 10 People	0 hrs	32 hrs	Work											32h			
8		Finsih	0 hrs	0 hrs	Work														



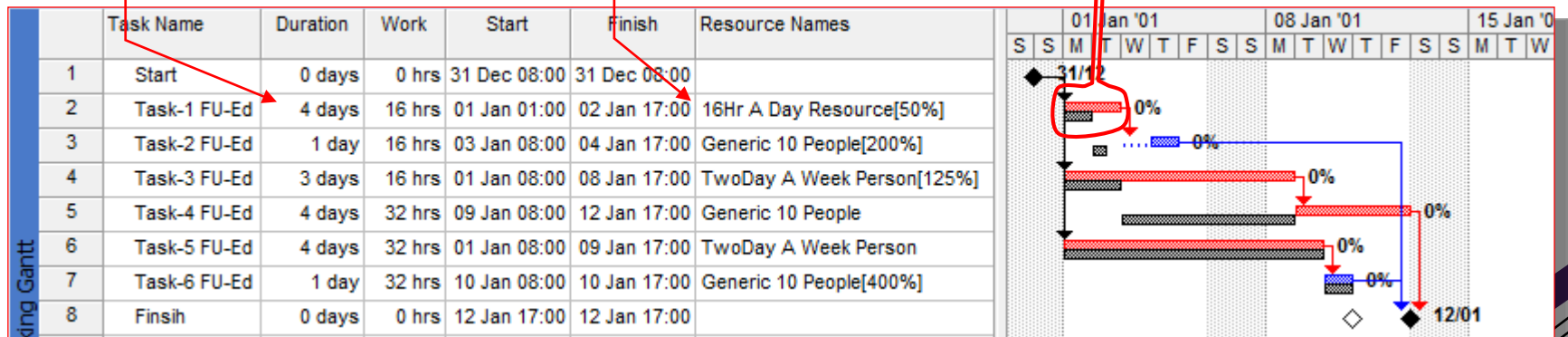
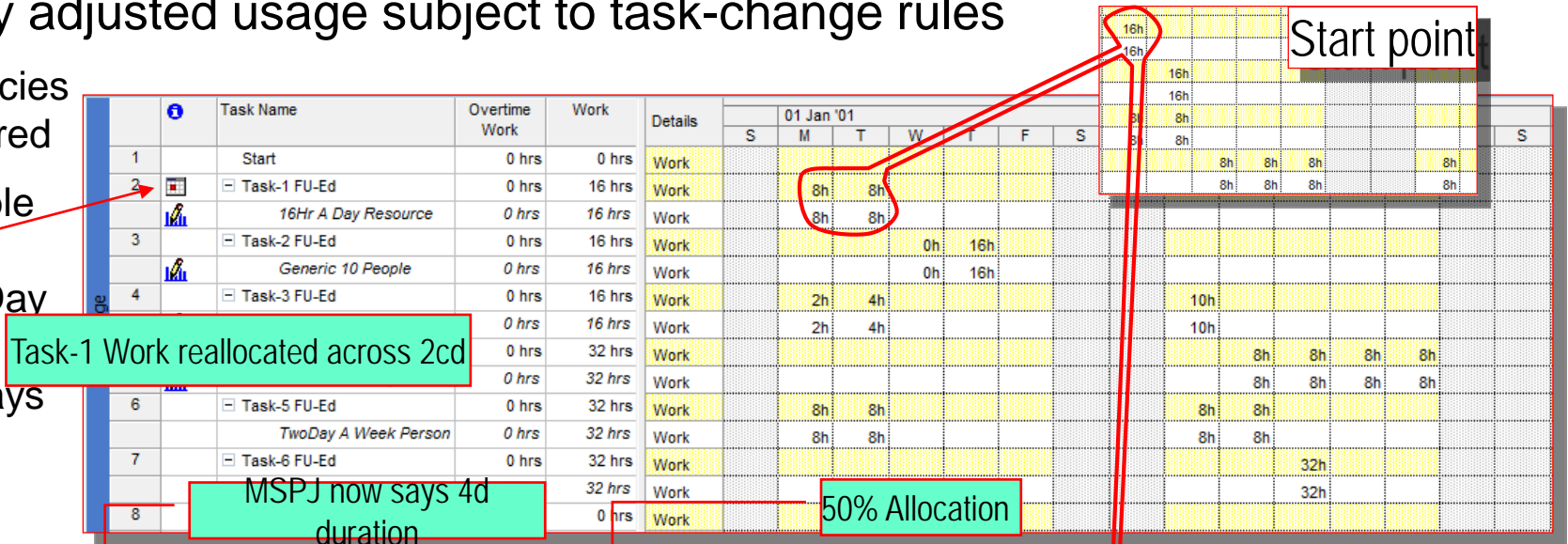
Affect Of Edits 1/3

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- Manually adjusted usage subject to task-change rules

- Dependencies are honoured

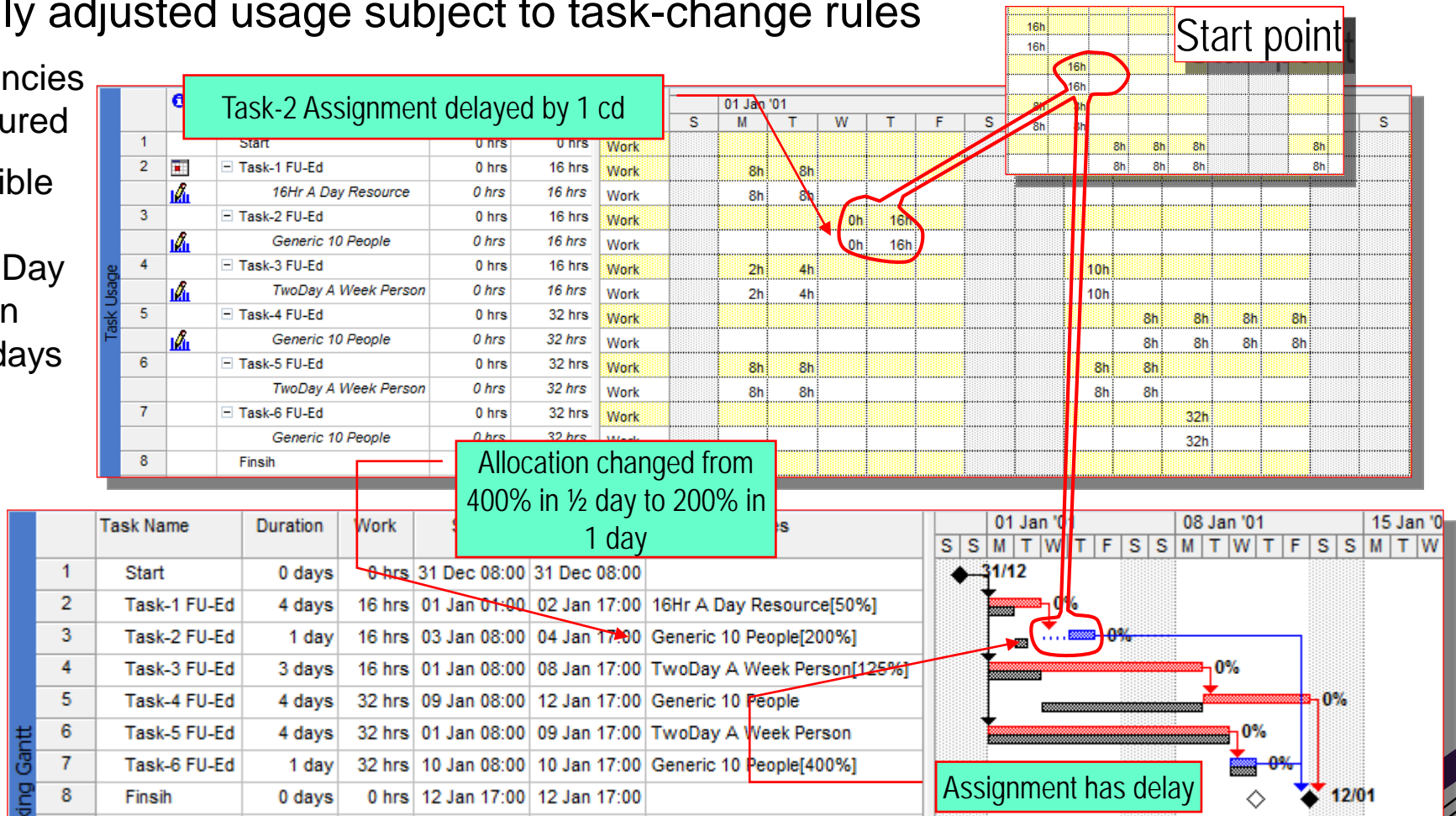
- Not possible to assign work to 2Day Person on their off-days



Affect Of Edits 2/3

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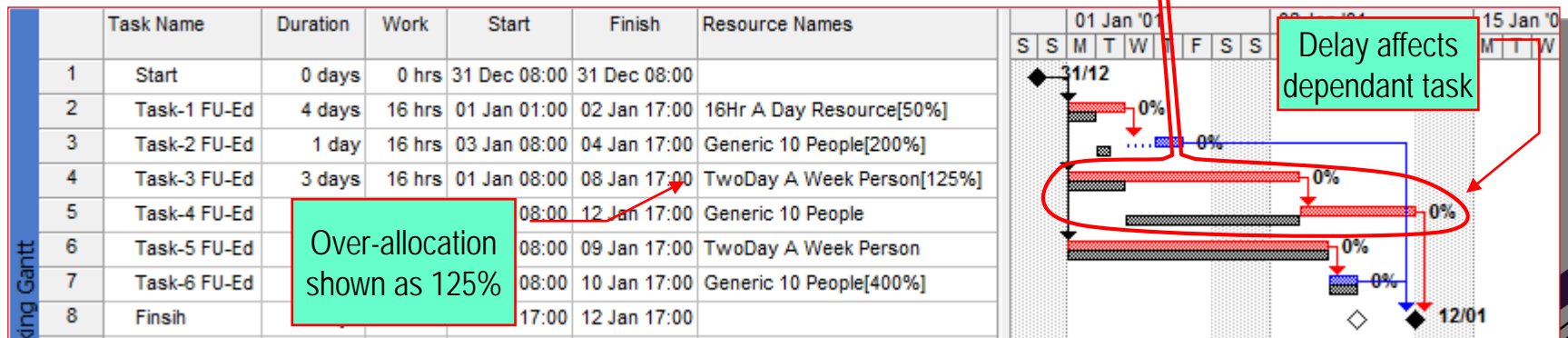
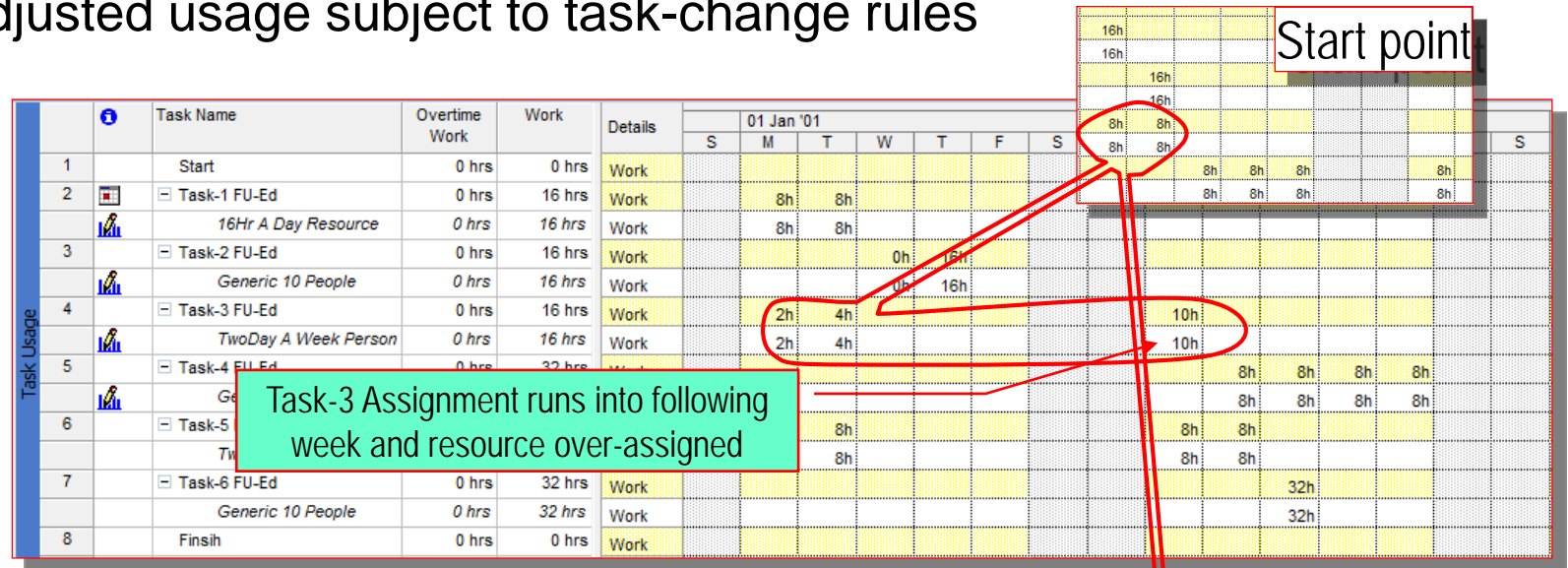
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Affect Of Edits 3/3

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Usage View Often Used in Split-Screen Views

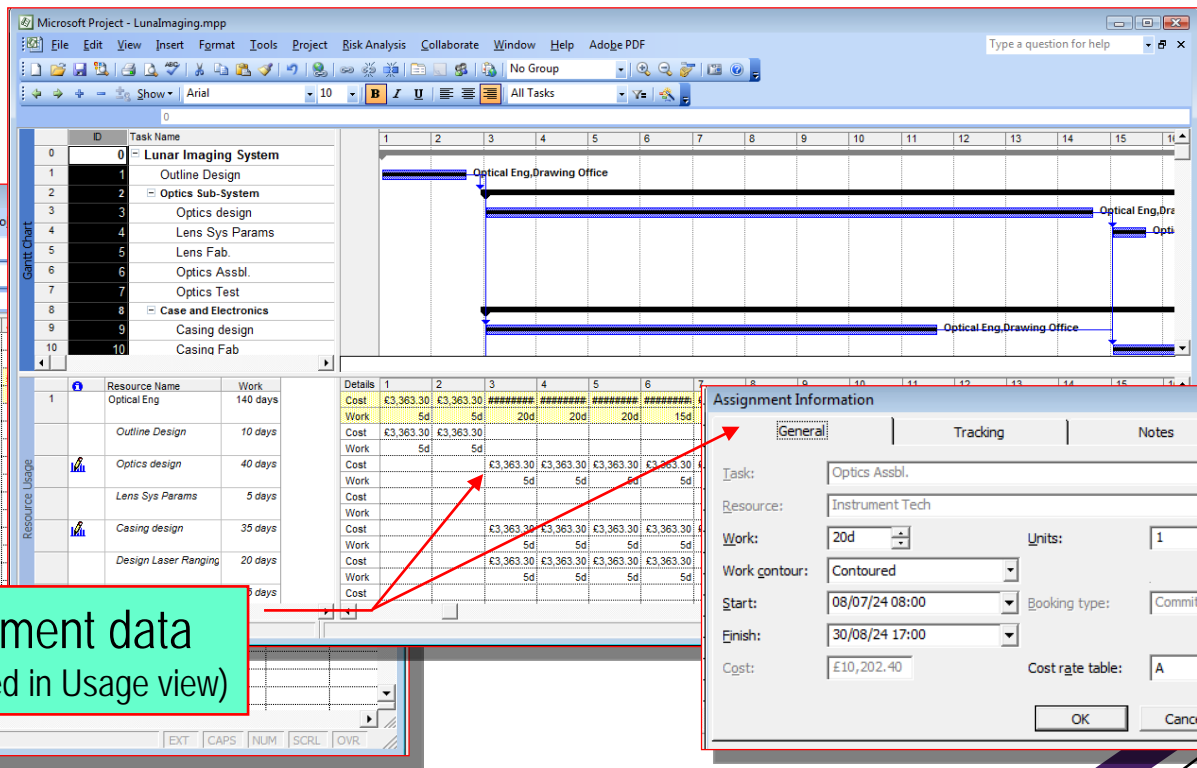
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- When used in “split-screen” the bottom pane gives details of item selected in the top pane – Suitable for levelling & smoothing resource loads

Show/ Hide
Collapse rows

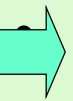
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Laser Qual. Tes	15 days	Cost				
		Work				
Instrument Tech	275 days	Cost	£12,242.88	£28,566.72	£22,955.40	
		Work	24d	56d	45d	
Optics Assbl.	20 days	Cost				
		Work				
Optics Test	5 days	Cost				
		Work				
Casing Fab	60 days	Cost	£8,672.04	£11,732.76	£10,202.40	
		Work				
Electronics fab.	50 days	Cost				
		Work				
Electronics Tes	10 days	Cost				
		Work				
ElectroServo Te	20 days	Cost				
		Work				
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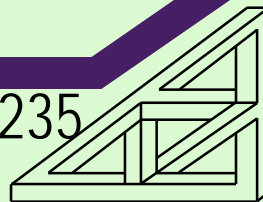
Assignment data
(Time-phased in Usage view)



Contents: End of Chapter! And Case

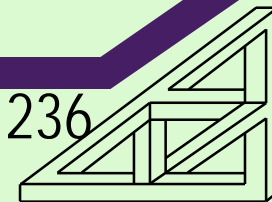
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-  Summary
- Case-Study



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- Product definitions define development skills and lead to task definitions and links to the company QMS of standards and procedures
 - Schedule development needs defined resources MSPJ uses Resource Pools
- Assignment of resources to tasks defines the work content and vice-versa
 - Any calculation scheme will make assumptions
 - Results will sometimes be correct
 - Assignment Sheets are the best view with which to correct the details
- Data can be entered (and tracked) consistently at any level
 - Task-Type must be set correctly (or MSPJ calculations disabled)
- *Establishing the baseline is tricky if you do not understand the internal mechanics*
- All elements of data can be imported

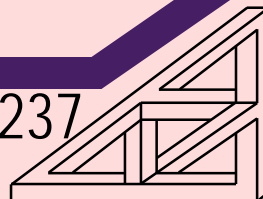
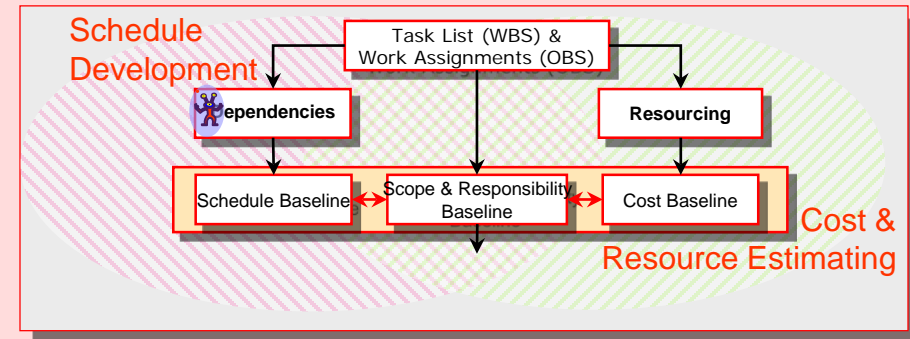




Case-Study: Resource Assignments

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- Starting where the last Case-Study stopped (Case-2 With Links.mpp)
 - Set task durations from the details on the next slide or extract and apply from Case Task Info.txt (either way SAVE when done)
 - Import resources* from Case-Resources.txt or link to Case-ResPool.mpp
 - Try one then restart on saved file with the other: proceed to next steps with one
- The assignment of resources to tasks is noted a few slides ahead
 - (Or can be 'cut-n-pasted' from the Case Task Info text file)
 - Assign resources to tasks
 - MSPJ's calculations of 'Work' will NOT be the required working pattern
 - Use the *Task-Usage* view to make the assignments described in the text
- Case-3.3 CorrectAssignments.mpp is the required solution

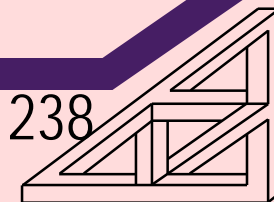


Case-Study: The Resources

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Name	Type	Initials	Max_Units	Standard Rate
• Optical Eng.	Work	Eng-O	4	£3,363.30/wk [†]
• Drawing Office	Work	DrO	2	£2,550.60/wk
• SubCon	Work	S-C	0	£3,000.00/wk
– Available after week 17				
• Instrument Tech	Work	Tech-I	3	£2,550.60/wk [†]
• Electrical Eng.	Work	Eng-E	1	£3,363.30/wk
• Fabr'tn Dept	Work	Fab	1	£3,363.30/wk

† Limited availability due to holiday commitments – details not currently known



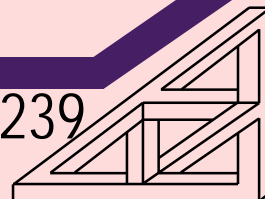


Case-Study: Task Durations

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Sub-system	Full Name	Dur'tn
Lunar Imaging System		
	Start-MS	0 days
	Outline Design	2 wks
Optics Sub-System		
	Optics Design	12 wks
	Lens System Parameters	1 wk
	Lens Fabrication	10 wks
	Optics Assembly	4 wks
	Optics Test	1 wk
Focusing Mechanics Ss		
	Focusing Mechanics Design	9 wks
	Focusing Mechanics (Purchase)	12 wks
Electronics Ss		
	Electronics Design	14 wks
	Electronics Fabrication	10 wks
	Electronics Test	2 wks
	ElectroServo Preparation for Integration	4 wks

Sub-system	Full Name	Dur'tn
Laser RangeFinder Ss		
	Laser Ranging System Tender	4 wks
	Laser Generator (Purchase)	3 wks
	Laser Fabrication	3 wks
	Laser Preparation for Integration	2 wks
Image Buffer XSO		
	Image Storage Design	4 wks
	Image Store Fabrication	12 wks
	Image Store As-Built Drawings	1 wk
	XSO Assembly	8 wks
	XSO Review	3 wks
Intg'tn & Proving Phase		
	Assemble Sub-Systems	2 wks
	System Test	4 wks
	Accept Test	2 wks
	Field Installation & Calibration	1 wk
	Finish-MS	0 days

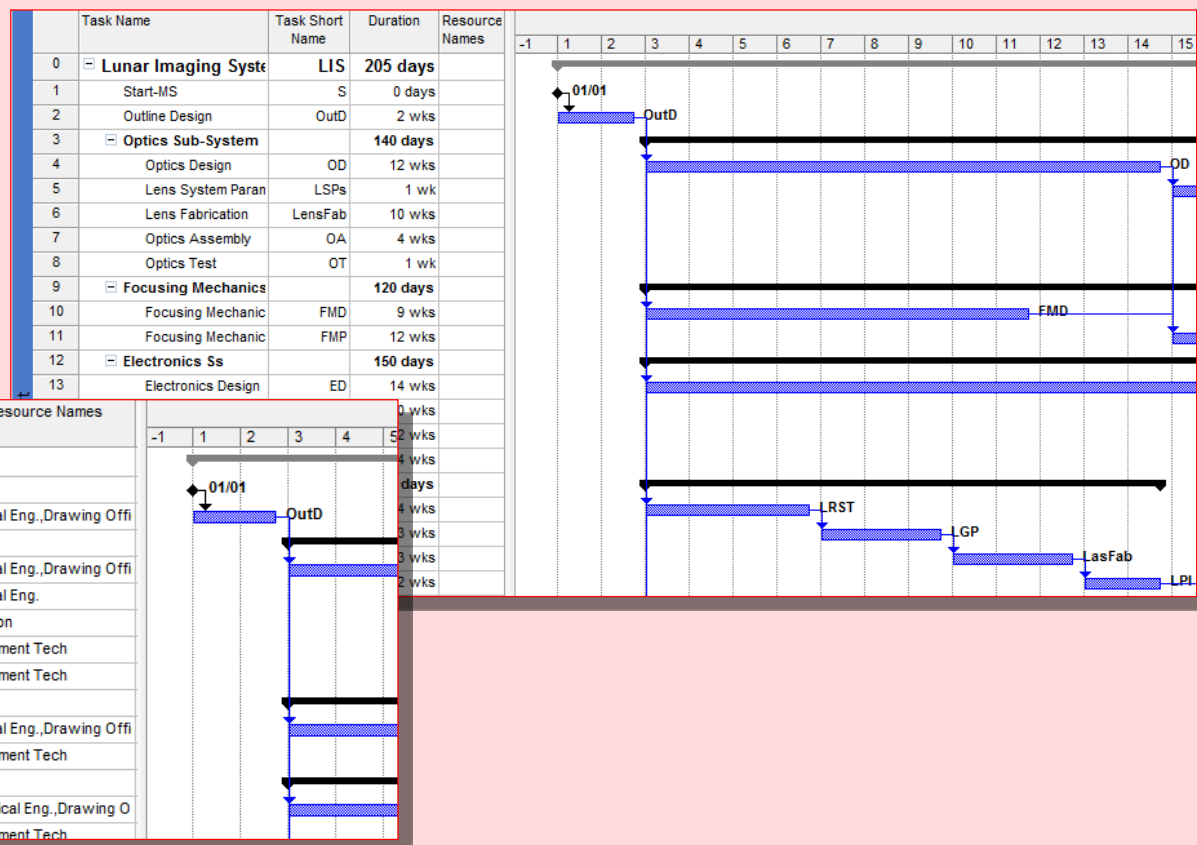


Case-Study: Assignments Partial Solutions

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- Case-2 With Links after addition of task durations
(Case-3.1 Durations & Resources Loaded)

When Initial Assignments are made you should match these (wrong) values!



WBS	Name	Duration	Cost	Work	Resource Names
0	Lunar Imaging System	205 days	£491,569.50	6,840 hrs	
1	Start-MS	0 days	£0.00	0 hrs	
2	Outline Design	2 wks	£11,827.80	160 hrs	Optical Eng.,Drawing Offi
3	Optics Sub-System	140 days	£117,083.10	1,600 hrs	
3.1	Optics Design	12 wks	£70,966.80	960 hrs	Optical Eng.,Drawing Offi
3.2	Lens System Parameters	1 wk	£3,363.30	40 hrs	Optical Eng.
3.3	Lens Fabrication	10 wks	£30,000.00	400 hrs	SubCon
3.4	Optics Assembly	4 wks	£10,202.40	160 hrs	Instrument Tech
3.5	Optics Test	1 wk	£2,550.60	40 hrs	Instrument Tech
4	Focusing Mechanics Ss	120 days	£83,832.30	1,200 hrs	
4.1	Focusing Mechanics Design	9 wks	£53,225.10	720 hrs	Optical Eng.,Drawing Offi
4.2	Focusing Mechanics (Purchase)	12 wks	£30,607.20	480 hrs	Instrument Tech
5	Electronics Ss	150 days	£123,604.20	1,760 hrs	
5.1	Electronics Design	14 wks	£82,794.60	1,120 hrs	Electrical Eng.,Drawing O
5.2	Electronics Fabrication	10 wks	£25,506.00	400 hrs	Instrument Tech

- Case-3.2 InitialWrongAssignments

Case-Study: Correcting The Assign Of Resources To Activities 1/4

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- The Outline Design (OutD) activity will be the responsibility of the lead Optical Engineer (Eng-O) who will be involved for both weeks of the design effort.
 - The involvement of the Drawing Office (DrO), to create drawings will only occur in the 2nd week of the task (Try delete then undo & Set wk 1 to zero)
- View | Task Usage

WBS	Name	Duration	Cost	Work	Re	Details	1	2	3	4	5
							1	2	3	4	5
0	Lunar Imagin	205 days	£491,569.50	6,840 hrs		Work	80h	80h	360h	360h	360h
1	Start-MS	0 days	£0.00	0 hrs		Work					
2	Outline Design	2 wks	£11,827.80	160 hrs	Optica	Work	80h	80h			
	Optical		£6,726.60	80 hrs		Work		40h			
	Drawing		£5,101.20	80 hrs		Work	40h	40h			
3	Optics Sub-	140 days	£117,083.10	1,600 hrs		Work			80h	80h	80h
3.1	Optics de	12 wks	£70,966.80	960 hrs	Optica	Work			80h	80h	80h
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	Drai										

WBS	Name	Duration	Cost	Work	Re	Details	1	2	3
							1	2	3
0	Lunar Imagin	205 days	£489,018.90	6,800 hrs		Work	40h	80h	
1	Start-MS	0 days	£0.00	0 hrs		Work			
2	Outline Design	2 wks	£9,277.20	120 hrs	Optica	Work	40h	80h	
	Optical		£6,726.60	80 hrs		Work		40h	
	Drawing		£2,550.60	40 hrs		Work	0h	40h	
3	Optics Sub-	140 days	£117,083.10	1,600 hrs		Work			

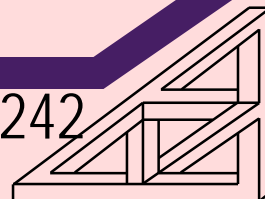




Case-Study: Correcting The Assign Of Resources To Activities 2/4

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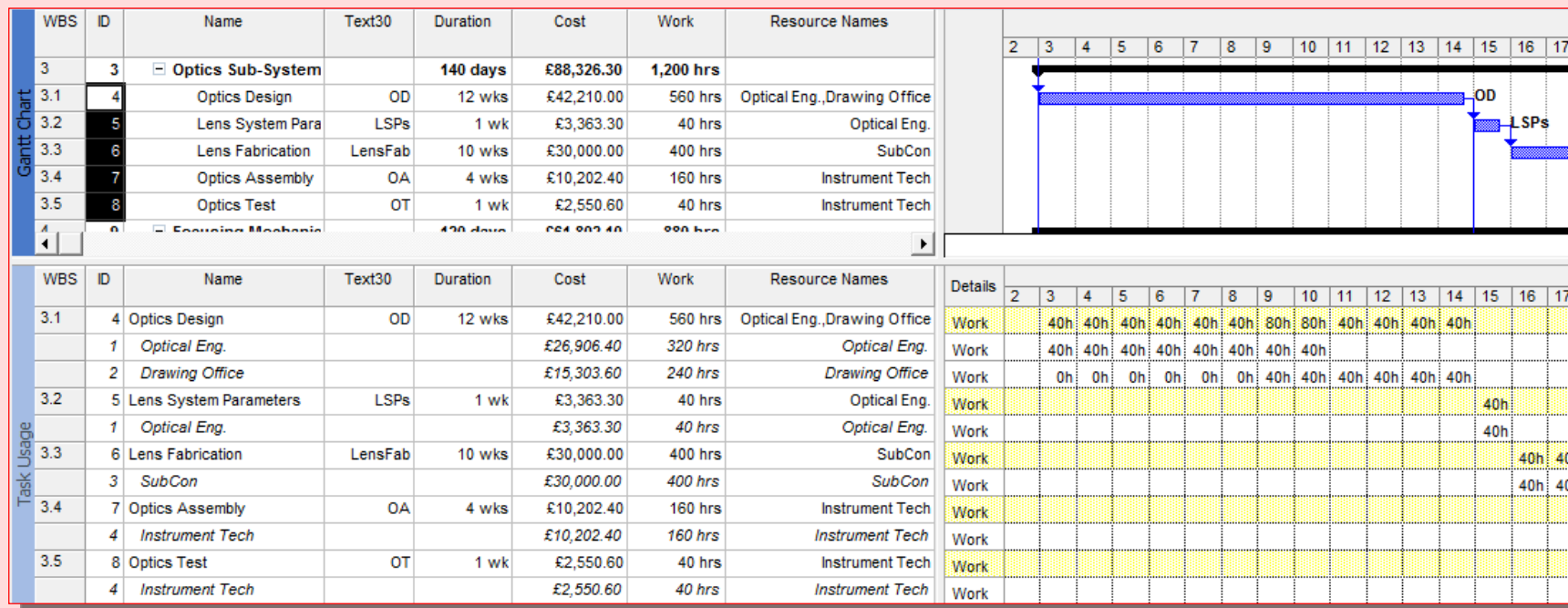
- After the completion of the Outline Design (OutD) task, there are 5 simultaneous activities that begin
 - The first is the 12 week Optics Design (OD). OD will require the services of an Optical Engineer (Eng-O) for the first 2/3rds of the allotted time. The Drawing Office (DrO) will be involved for the last 50% of the time i.e. they will overlap for 2 weeks.
 - FMD will also require an Eng-O. For the first 7 or its 9 weeks of the effort. The DrO will work for the last 3 weeks i.e. there is a 1 week overlap.
 - The Electronics Design (ED) will be under the direction of an Electrical Engineer (Eng-E), who will be involved for the first 12 of the 14 weeks
 - The DrO will create drawings in the task's last 3 weeks.
 - An Eng-O will write the proposal and conduct the Laser Ranging System Tender (LRST). They will also complete the tender process in Laser Generator (Purchase) (LGP) activity
 - The Image Storage Design (ISD) will require an Eng-O for the first 3 of the 4 wks duration. The DrO will be used for the last 2 weeks



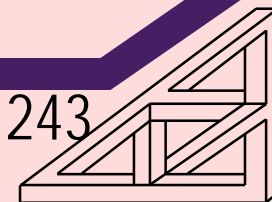
Case-Study: Correcting Assignment Of Resources To Activities 3/4

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- Within Optics
 - Lens System Parameters (LSPs) activity will require an Eng-O full time
 - Lens Fabrication will be sub contracted (S-C)



- The Optics Assembly (OA) and Optics Test (OT) are both assigned to Instrument Technicians (Tech-I)

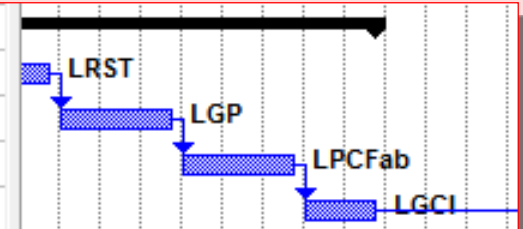


Case-Study: Correcting Assignment Of Resources To Activities 4/4

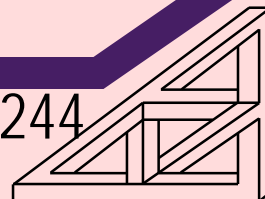
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- Within Electronics a full-time Tech-I is assigned to each of EFab, ET and ESI
- After the Laser Range Finder Tender and Laser Generator (Purchase) activities the sub contractor will fabricate Laser Positioning Controls (LPCFab T-20) and a Tech-I will carry out Laser Generator and Controls Integration (LGCI T-21) ready for System Integration – these tasks have been poorly named up to now
 - Update Task name & Short name to reflect clearer task description

<input type="checkbox"/> Laser RangeFinder Ss		60 days	£37,644.30	480 hrs	
Laser Ranging System Tender	LRST	4 wks	£13,453.20	160 hrs	
Laser Generator (Purchase)	LGP	3 wks	£10,089.90	120 hrs	
Laser Positioning Controls Fabrication	LPCFab	3 wks	£9,000.00	120 hrs	
Generator & Controls Integration	LGCI	2 wks	£5,101.20	80 hrs	



- The Image Store will be fabricated in-house (ISFab will be conducted by Fabr'tn Dept) with drawings created by DrO after Fabr'tn have built a working storage module
 - The XSO will be assembled and reviewed by Tech-I's
- All activity in the Integration and Proving phase is assigned to Tech-I staff





Case-Study: The Correct Resource Assignments

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- Case-3 Correct Assignments
 - (partial view of) Target assignments after correcting assignments

Task Usage	WBS	ID	Name	Details	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	
	0	0	▢ Lunar Imaging System	Work	40h	80h	200h	200h	240h	200h	200h	200h	280h	240h	200h	160h	160h	200h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	120h	120h	120h	120h	40h	40h		
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	2	2	▢ Outline Design	Work	40h	80h																															
		1	Optical Eng.	Work	40h	40h																															
		2	Drawing Office	Work	0h	40h																															
	3	3	▢ Optics Sub-System	Work			40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	80h	80h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	
	3.1	4	▢ Optics Design	Work			40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	80h	80h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	
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		2	Drawing Office	Work			0h	0h	0h	0h	0h	0h	0h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h																		
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	1	Optical Eng.	Work																40h																		
3.3	6	▢ Lens Fabrication	Work																	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h		
	3	SubCon	Work																	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	
3.4	7	▢ Optics Assembly	Work																																		
	4	Instrument Tech	Work																												40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	
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	4	Instrument Tech	Work																																	40h	
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5.1	13	▢ Electronics Design	Work			40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	80h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h
	2	Drawing Office	Work			0h	0h	0h	0h	0h	0h	0h	0h	0h	0h	0h	0h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	
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Case-Study: The Correct Task Costs

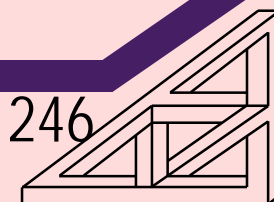
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- Corrected System, Sub-system and task assignments and names
 - Case-3.3 Correct Assignments.mpp

WBS	ID	Name	Duration	Cost	Work	Resource Initials
0	0	<input type="checkbox"/> Lunar Imaging System	205 days	£394,984.20	5,440 hrs	
1	1	Start-MS	0 days	£0.00	0 hrs	
2	2	Outline Design	2 wks	£9,277.20	120 hrs	Eng-O,DrO
3	3	<input type="checkbox"/> Optics Sub-System	140 days	£88,326.30	1,200 hrs	
3.1	4	Optics Design	12 wks	£42,210.00	560 hrs	Eng-O,DrO
3.2	5	Lens System Parameters	1 wk	£3,363.30	40 hrs	Eng-O
3.3	6	Lens Fabrication	10 wks	£30,000.00	400 hrs	S-C
3.4	7	Optics Assembly	4 wks	£10,202.40	160 hrs	Tech-i
3.5	8	Optics Test	1 wk	£2,550.60	40 hrs	Tech-i
4	9	<input type="checkbox"/> Focusing Mechanics Ss	120 days	£61,802.10	880 hrs	
4.1	10	Focusing Mechanics Design	9 wks	£31,194.90	400 hrs	Eng-O,DrO
4.2	11	Focusing Mechanics (Purchase)	12 wks	£30,607.20	480 hrs	Tech-i
5	12	<input type="checkbox"/> Electronics Ss	150 days	£88,821.00	1,240 hrs	
5.1	13	Electronics Design	14 wks	£48,011.40	600 hrs	Eng-E,DrO
5.2	14	Electronics Fabrication	10 wks	£25,506.00	400 hrs	Tech-i
5.3	15	Electronics Test	2 wks	£5,101.20	80 hrs	Tech-i
5.4	16	ElectroServo Preparation for Int	4 wks	£10,202.40	160 hrs	Tech-i

WBS	ID	Name	Duration	Cost	Work	Resource Initials
6	17	<input type="checkbox"/> Laser RangeFinder Ss	60 days	£37,644.30	480 hrs	
6.1	18	Laser Ranging System Tender	4 wks	£13,453.20	160 hrs	Eng-O
6.2	19	Laser Generator (Purchase)	3 wks	£10,089.90	120 hrs	Eng-O
6.3	20	Laser Positioning Controls Fabri	3 wks	£9,000.00	120 hrs	S-C
6.4	21	Generator & Controls Integrator	2 wks	£5,101.20	80 hrs	Tech-i
7	22	<input type="checkbox"/> Image Buffer XSO	140 days	£86,157.90	1,160 hrs	
7.1	23	Image Storage Design	4 wks	£15,191.10	200 hrs	Eng-O,DrO
7.2	24	Image Store Fabrication	12 wks	£40,359.60	480 hrs	Fab
7.3	25	Image Store As-Built Drawings	1 wk	£2,550.60	40 hrs	DrO
7.4	26	XSO Assembly	8 wks	£20,404.80	320 hrs	Tech-i
7.5	27	XSO Review	3 wks	£7,651.80	120 hrs	Tech-i
8	28	<input type="checkbox"/> Intg'tn & Proving Phase	45 days	£22,955.40	360 hrs	
8.1	29	Assemble Sub-Systems	2 wks	£5,101.20	80 hrs	Tech-i
8.2	30	System Test	4 wks	£10,202.40	160 hrs	Tech-i
8.3	31	Accept Test	2 wks	£5,101.20	80 hrs	Tech-i
8.4	32	Field Installation & Calibration	1 wk	£2,550.60	40 hrs	Tech-i
9	33	Finish-MS	0 days	£0.00	0 hrs	

- Your solution should match these durations and costs!
 - To diagnose errors start at System, then Subsystem then Task





If you need training, mentoring or assistance with benefits realisation, governance or projects

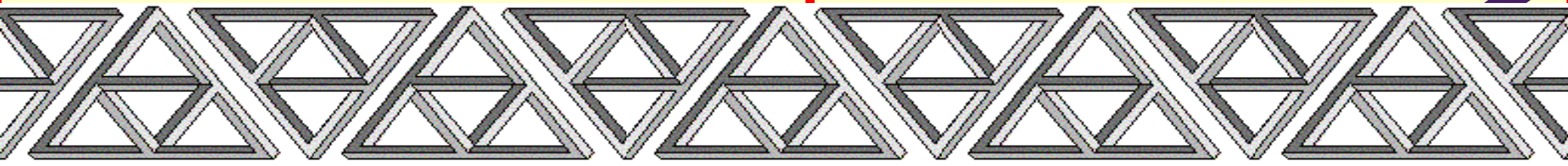
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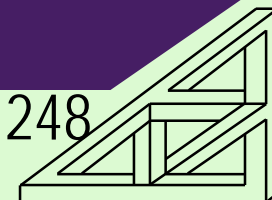
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 - Creating & running PMOs
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- Lesson 6

Lesson 6: Finalising The Schedule and Presenting the Baseline

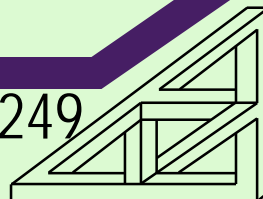


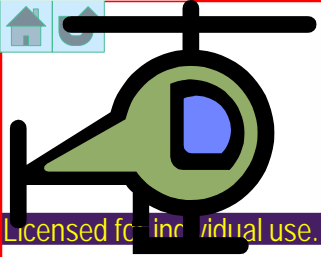


Objectives

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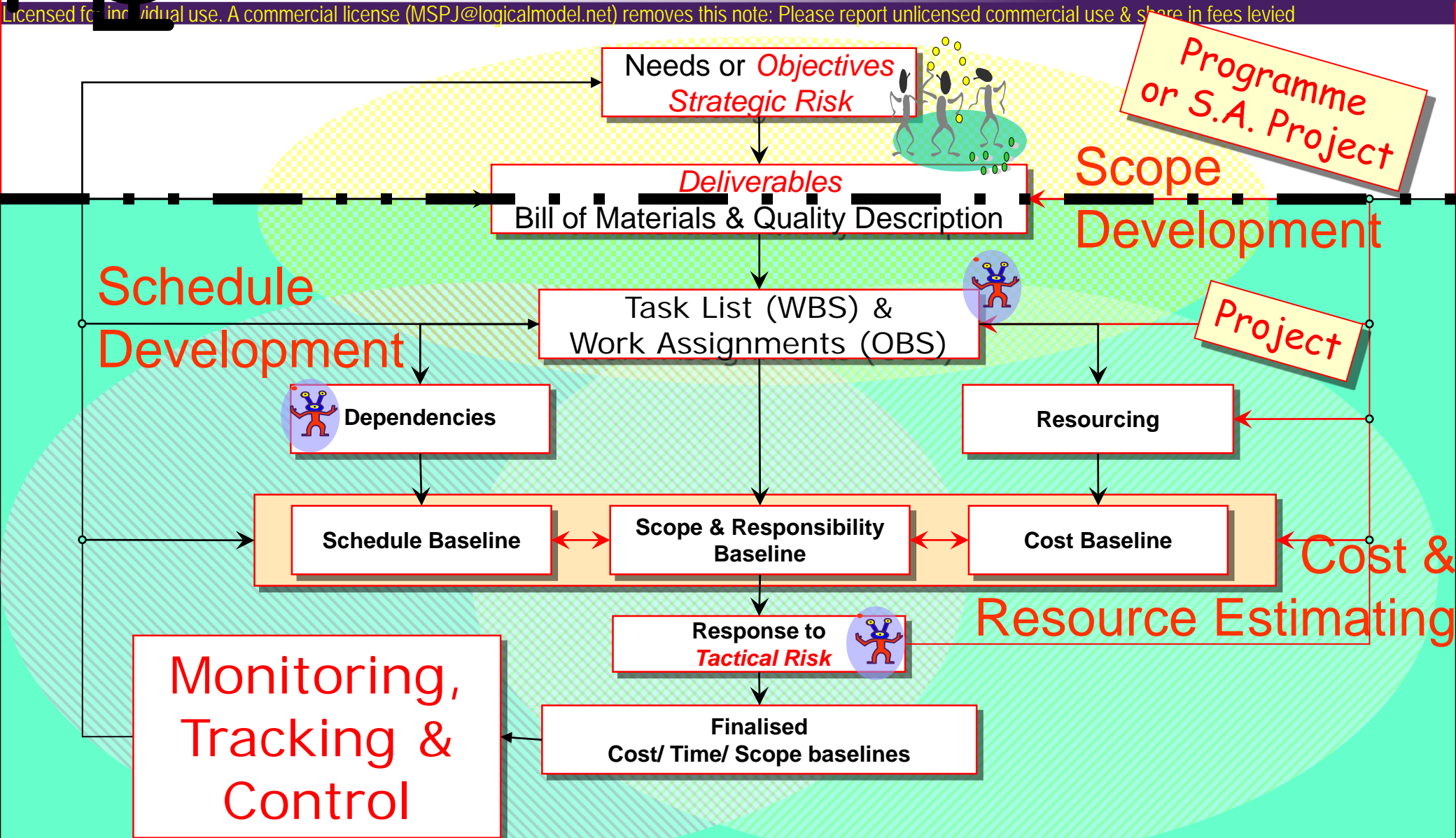
- Consider the factors in creation of the project baselines
 - Balance between the project's constraints and targets
- Turn on display of the critical path
- Find and address resource over and under allocations
 - Manually address allocations
 - Explore the use of auto-levelling
- Reviewing project costs and cash-flows
- Saving and manipulating baselines
- Taking account of risk with 3pt Estimates, PERT and Contingent tasks
 - Monte-Carlo analysis
- Case-Study practice





Development and Maintenance of Project Baseline

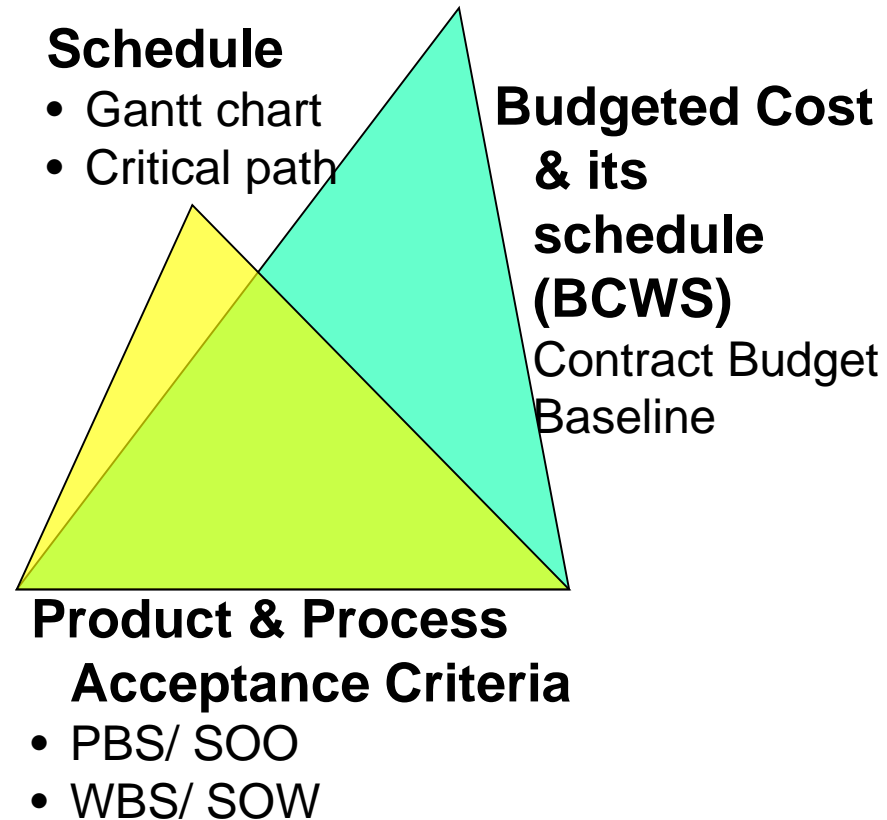
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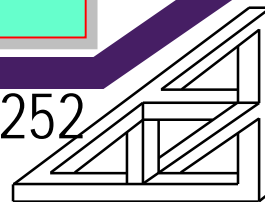
The Project Baseline

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- The Project baseline is an agreed set of **compatible commitments**
 - Scope & Acceptance Criteria
 - Schedule
 - Resource Allocations (Skills, Plant and Money)
- Baseline 'struck' when all in balance
 - After resource allocations finalised
- Change may start in any £, ⌚, or work
 - *Every change will 'ripple' and affect AT LEAST 1 other element*



Baseline elements are inter-dependent: change to one causes change in the others
Reduced time * same scope = more cost



Steps In Building The Baseline

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- Done so far
 - Tasks have been entered and linked in-to dependent sequences
 - Estimated work or durations entered for each task
 - Resources have been applied to the work required
 - Task durations determined
- Still to do
 - Initial critical path displayed
 - Resource over- and under-allocations analysed and resolved
 - Order of analysis is dictated by critical-resource availability and critical-path
 - Project base-lined
 - The project's technical work is then executed... and
...Progress updates are applied to the plan to reflect work done and not done



Contents: Critical Path & Levelling

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Critical path and levelling

- Cash-flows and cumulative costs
 - Save the baseline
- Adding risk To The baseline

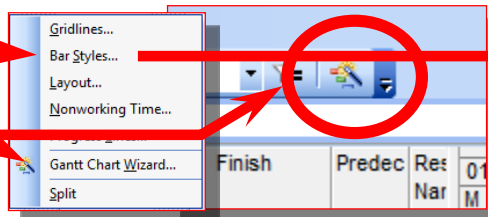


Showing Critical Path On A Gantt View

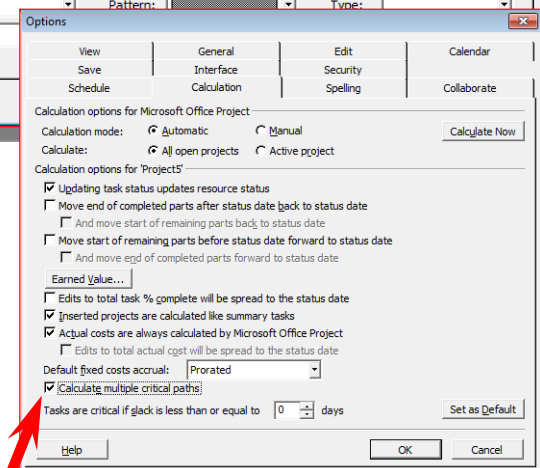
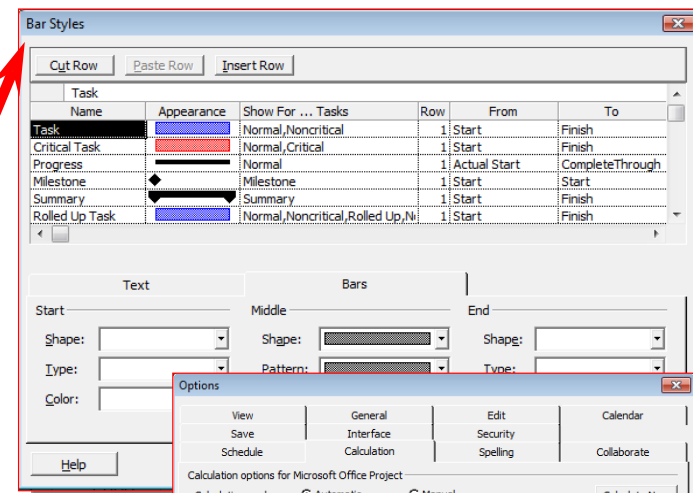
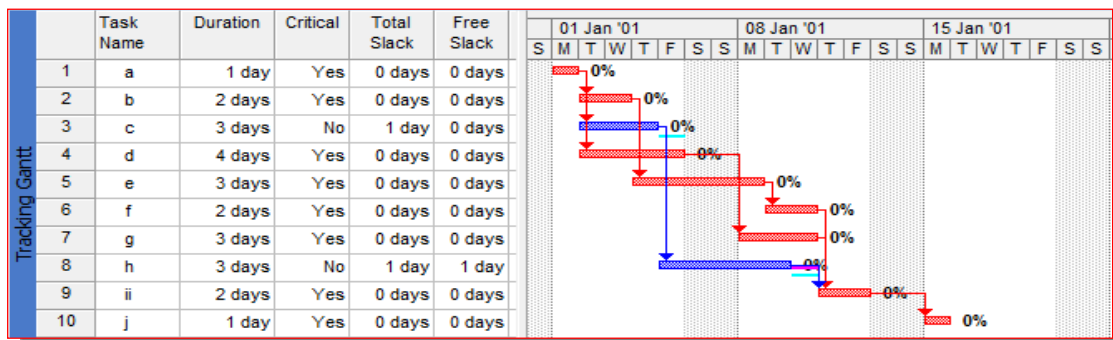
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- Turn on display of the Critical Path EG Manually
 - Right-Click the Gantt background

- Alternatively use the Gantt Wizard



- Easiest way to show critical path is use the Tracking Gantt



- To show a “critical-path” for each sub-network of tasks

Tools / Options / Calculation-Tab / Calculate Multiple Critical Paths



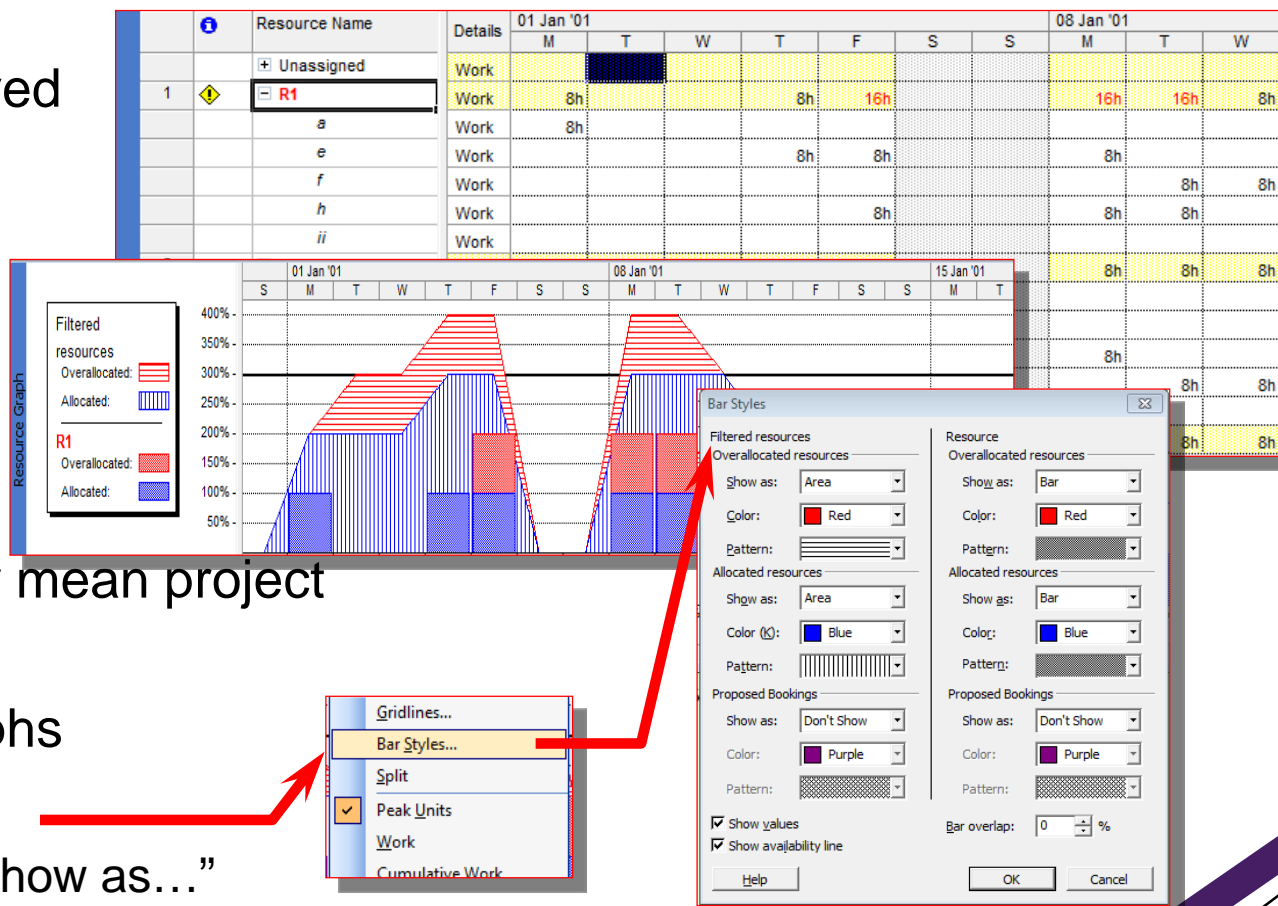
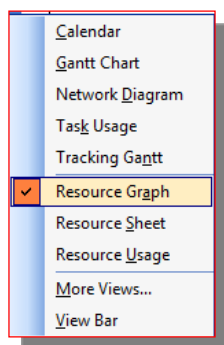


Under and Over-Allocations

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- Over-Allocation means resources are scheduled to work longer than they are available

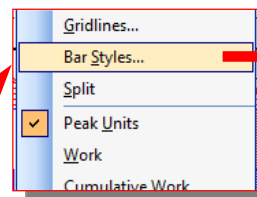
- Allocations are displayed in Resource views



- Under-allocations may mean project costs are inefficient

- To display aggregate graphs

- Right-Click background
 - Filtered resources "Show as..."

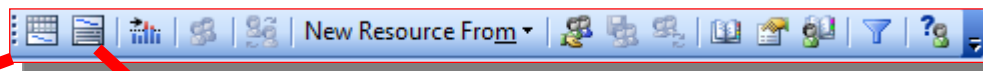
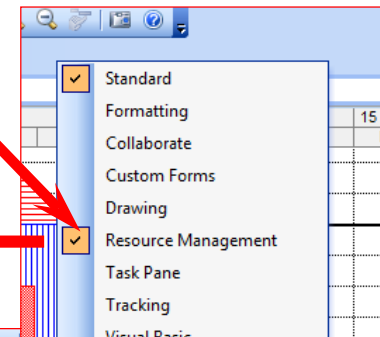




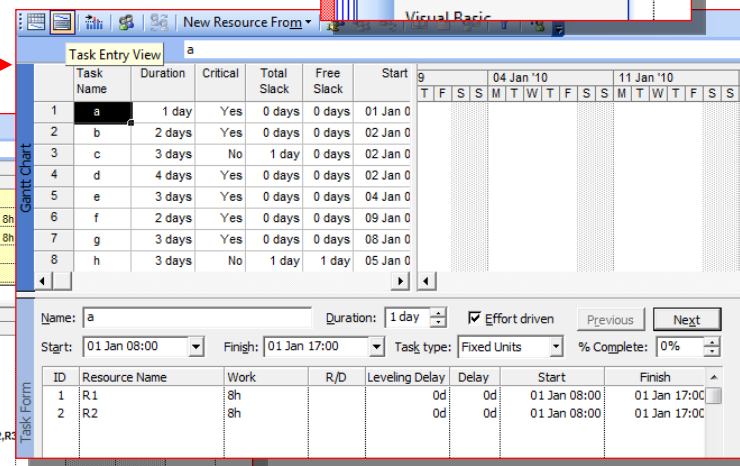
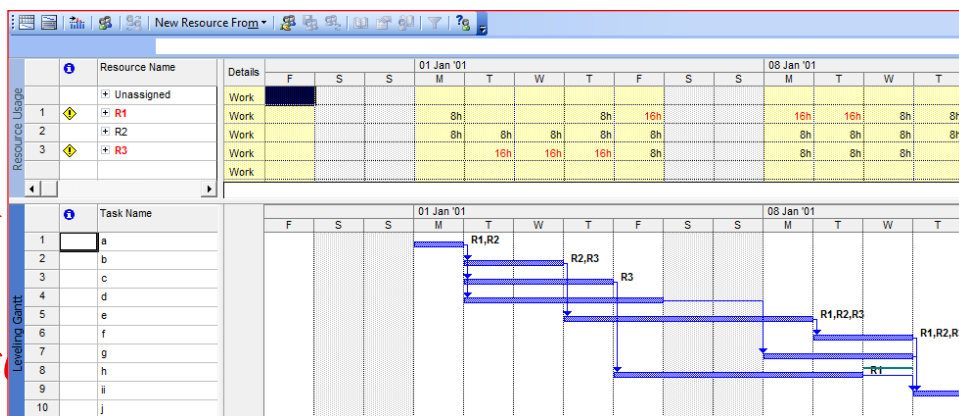
Finding Allocations

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- The Resource Management toolbar is an easy way to analyse resource use
 - Right-Click toolbar background or (*View / Toolbars /...*)
 - Select Resource Management
 - Buttons provide short-cut to resource views



Task Entry View

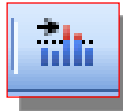


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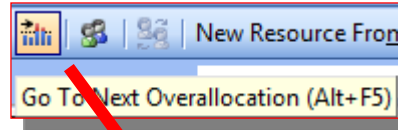


Levelling By Changing Assignments

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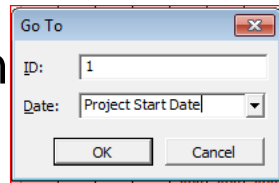
'Next Over-Allocation'



finds next task requiring levelling

- To reset to 1st over-allocation

Edit / Goto



- Options to deal with over-allocations are:

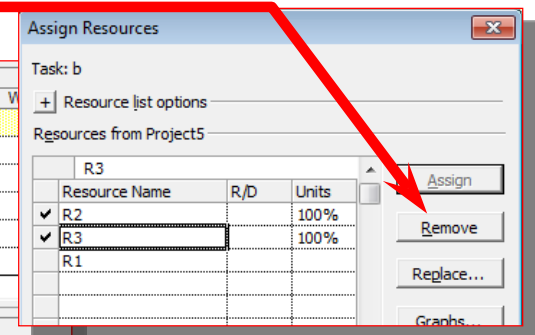
- Edit assignments in a *Usage view*
- Assign new or different resources
- Delay the assignment
- Delay the task
- Split the task
- Add overtime

	Resource Name	Assignment Delay	Work	Details				
				01 Jan '01	M	T	W	F
3	R3		88 hrs	Work			16h	
	b	0 days	16 hrs	Work			8h	
	c	0 days	24 hrs	Work			8h	
	e	0 days	24 hrs	Work			8h	
	f	0 days	16 hrs	Work			8h	
		0 days	8 hrs	Work				

	Task Name	Leveling Delay	Duration	Start	01 Jan '01				
					M	T	W	F	S
2	b	0 days	2 days	02 Jan 08:00					
3	c	0 days	3 days	02 Jan 08:00					

	Resource Name	Assignment Delay	Work	Details				
				01 Jan '01	M	T	W	F
3	R3		88 hrs	Work			16h	
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	c	0 days	24 hrs	Work			8h	
	e	0 days	24 hrs	Work			8h	
	f	0 days	16 hrs	Work			8h	
		0 days	8 hrs	Work				

	Task Name	Leveling Delay	Duration	Start	01 Jan '01				
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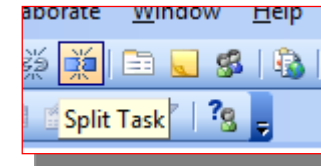




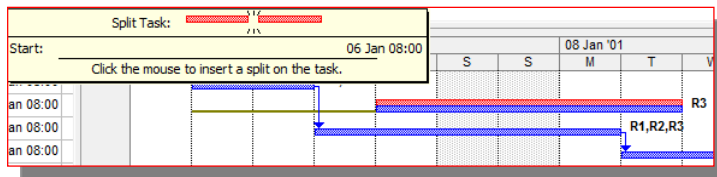
Levelling By Splitting Task

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- Some tasks can be split to alleviate over allocations
 - A portion of the work is delayed

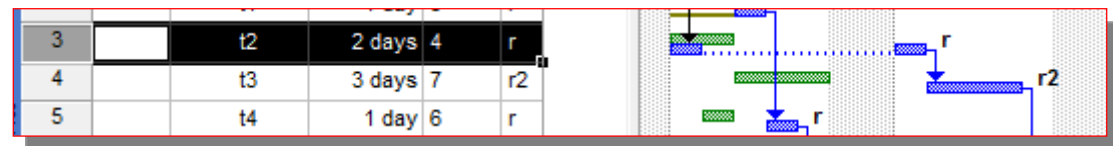


- Select the task with the split cursor at the point-in-time when work is suspended



- Drag the split to where the task resumes
- Remove the split by dragging the split portion back-to-the left
 - When tracking current status Work-in-Progress can be split

- Split shown as dotted line (by default)





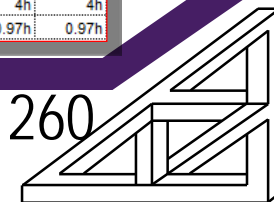
Handling Over-Allocations With Overtime

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- Overtime can be allocated by inserting the column to any relevant table
 - No control over when it is shown as being worked ☹
 - When it is booked is fully track-able through a *Usage-Sheet*

	Task Name	Overtime Work	Work	Duration	Details	M	T	W	T	F
1	Single Family House - Architect	0 hrs	1,814.4 hrs	158 days	Work	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h
					Ovt. Work					
					Base. Work	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h
2	General Conditions	0 hrs	230.4 hrs	21 days	Work	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h
					Ovt. Work					
					Base. Work	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h
3	Finalize plans and develop e	0 hrs	198.4 hrs	20 days	Work	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h
					Ovt. Work					
					Base. Work	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h
	General contractor	0 hrs	80 hrs		Work	4h	4h	4h	4h	4h
					Ovt. Work					
					Base. Work	4h	4h	4h	4h	4h
	Architect	0 hrs	80 hrs		Work	4h	4h	4h	4h	4h
					Ovt. Work					

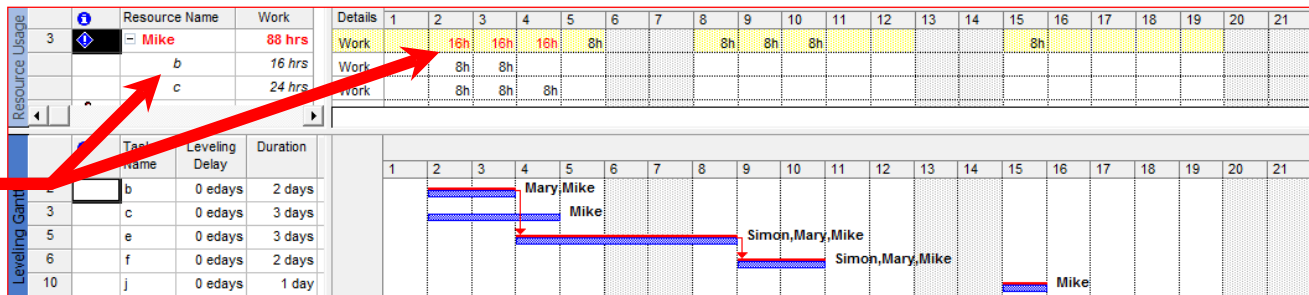
	Task Name	Overtime Work	Work	Duration	Details	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F
1	Single Family House - Architect	30 hrs	1,814.4 hrs	158 days	Work	12.32h	12.32h	12.32h	12.32h	12.32h			12.32h	12.32h	12.32h	12.32h	12.32h
					Ovt. Work	2.4h	2.4h	2.4h	2.4h	2.4h			2.4h	2.4h	2.4h	2.4h	2.4h
					Base. Work	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h			9.92h	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h
2	General Conditions	30 hrs	230.4 hrs	21 days	Work	12.32h	12.32h	12.32h	12.32h	12.32h			12.32h	12.32h	12.32h	12.32h	12.32h
					Ovt. Work	2.4h	2.4h	2.4h	2.4h	2.4h			2.4h	2.4h	2.4h	2.4h	2.4h
					Base. Work	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h			9.92h	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h
3	Finalize plans and develop e	30 hrs	198.4 hrs	20 days	Work	12.32h	12.32h	12.32h	12.32h	12.32h			12.32h	12.32h	12.32h	12.32h	12.32h
					Ovt. Work	2.4h	2.4h	2.4h	2.4h	2.4h			2.4h	2.4h	2.4h	2.4h	2.4h
					Base. Work	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h			9.92h	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h	9.92h
	General contractor	30 hrs	80 hrs		Work	6.4h	6.4h	6.4h	6.4h	6.4h			6.4h	6.4h	6.4h	6.4h	6.4h
					Ovt. Work	2.4h	2.4h	2.4h	2.4h	2.4h			2.4h	2.4h	2.4h	2.4h	2.4h
					Base. Work	4h	4h	4h	4h	4h			4h	4h	4h	4h	4h
	Architect	0 hrs	80 hrs		Work	4h	4h	4h	4h	4h			4h	4h	4h	4h	4h
					Ovt. Work												
					Base. Work	4h	4h	4h	4h	4h			4h	4h	4h	4h	4h
	Owner	0 hrs	19.2 hrs		Work	0.97h	0.97h	0.97h	0.97h	0.97h			0.97h	0.97h	0.97h	0.97h	0.97h



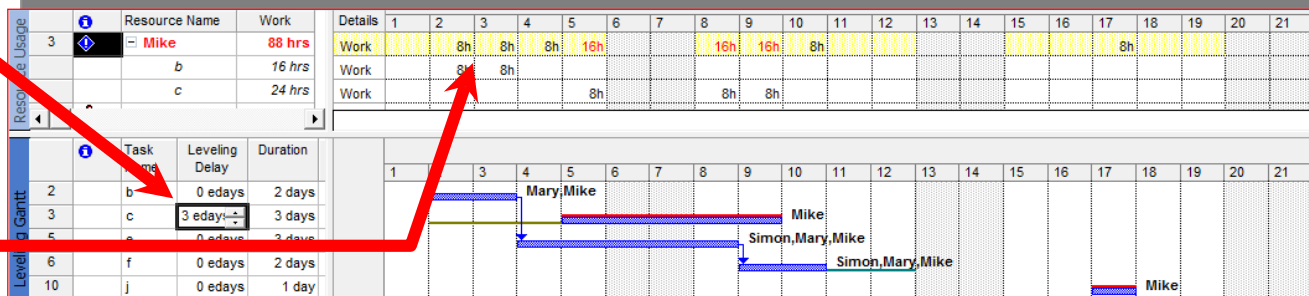
Levelling With Delays (& Splitting e)

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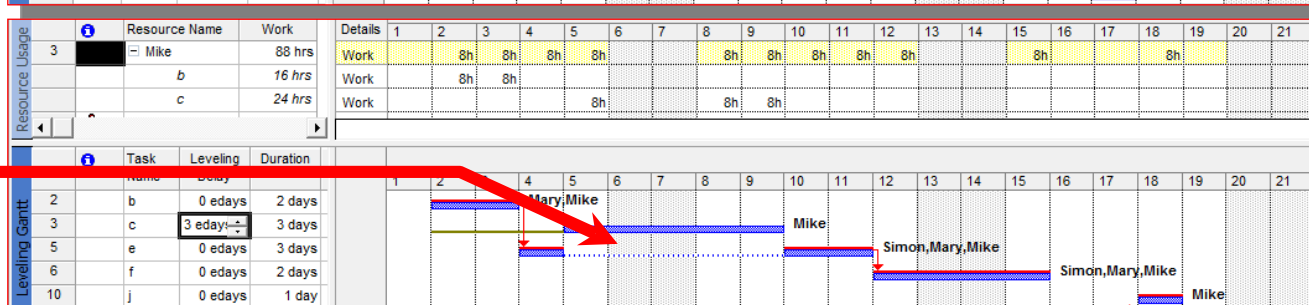
- Resource over-allocated to tasks b (critical) and c (non-critical)



- 3 edays task levelling delay added to task c
 - Days 2 & 3 now NOT over-allocated
 - Now Critical



- Task e split
 - f delayed as a result
 - Note: Useful to add display of Critical Path to Levelling Gantt ☺



Levelling Delays Are Additive

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- Assignment delay will delay resource's start date
 - Levelling delay affects whole task's start date
- Delays are cumulative: Before

		Task Name	Assignment Delay	Levelling Delay	Details	01 Jan '24				
						S	M	T	W	T
1		Start		0 edays	Work					
2		PD		0 edays	Work					
		me	0 days	0 days	Work	8h	8h	8h	8h	8h
		dr	0 days	0 days	Work	8h	8h	8h	8h	8h

- After Assignment and Levelling delay

		Task Name	Assignment Delay	Levelling Delay	Details	01 Jan '24				
						S	M	T	W	T
1		Start		0 edays	Work					
2		PD		0 edays	Work					
		me	1 day	1 day	Work	0h	0h	8h	8h	8h
		dr	0 days	0 days	Work	8h	8h	8h	8h	8h

- Levelling delay is optionally cleared before auto levelling

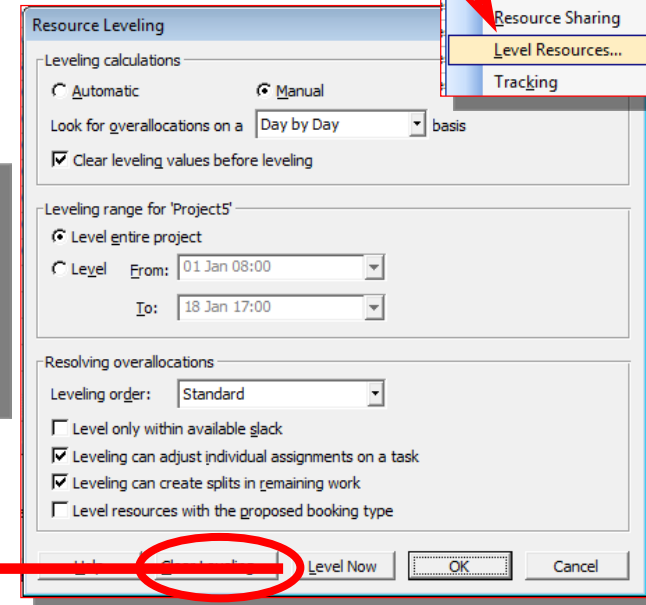
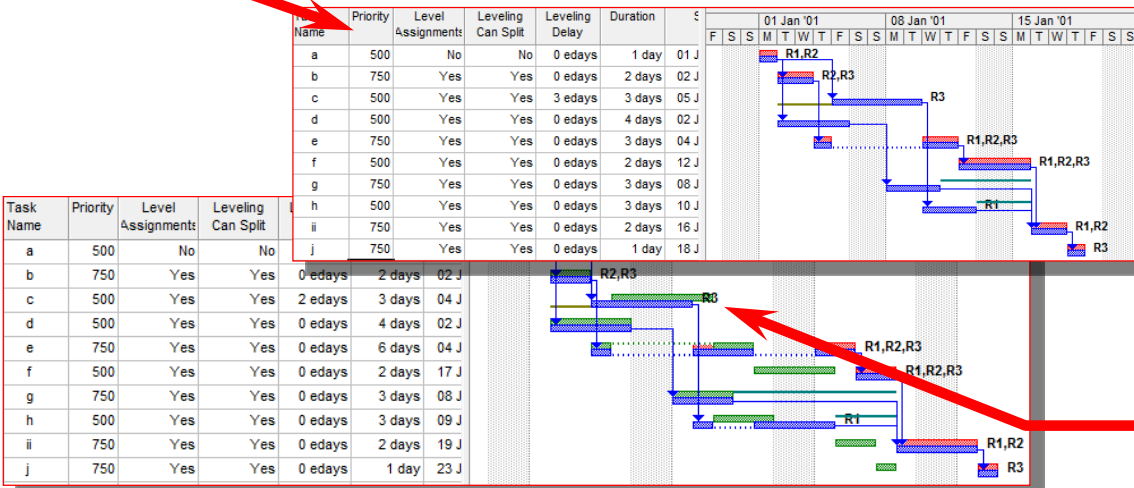
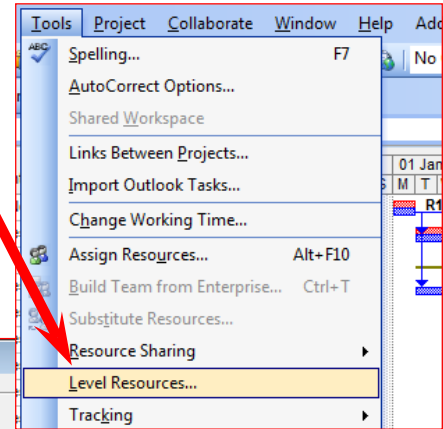
☒ Levelling can create splits in remaining work
☐ Level resources with the proposed booking type



Automatic Levelling

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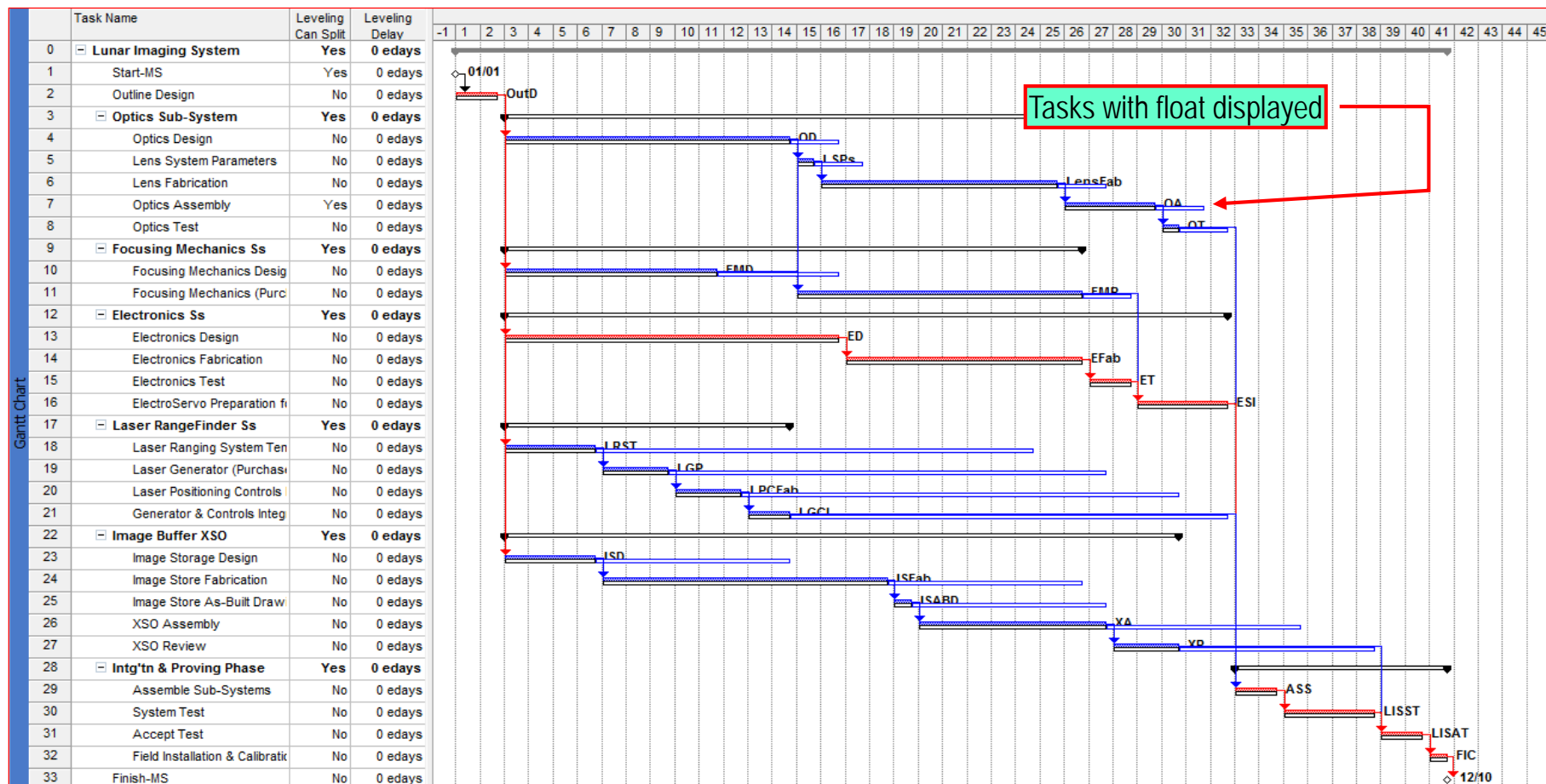
- MSPJ will Auto-level
 - Select *Tools / Level Resources...*
- Tune by setting task priorities: Priorities range from 1-1000:
 - 1000 is highest = “Don’t delay or split”
 - Mark tasks for Split: Yes | No,
 - Level Assignments: Yes | No



EG Case Starting Point: Wk 41

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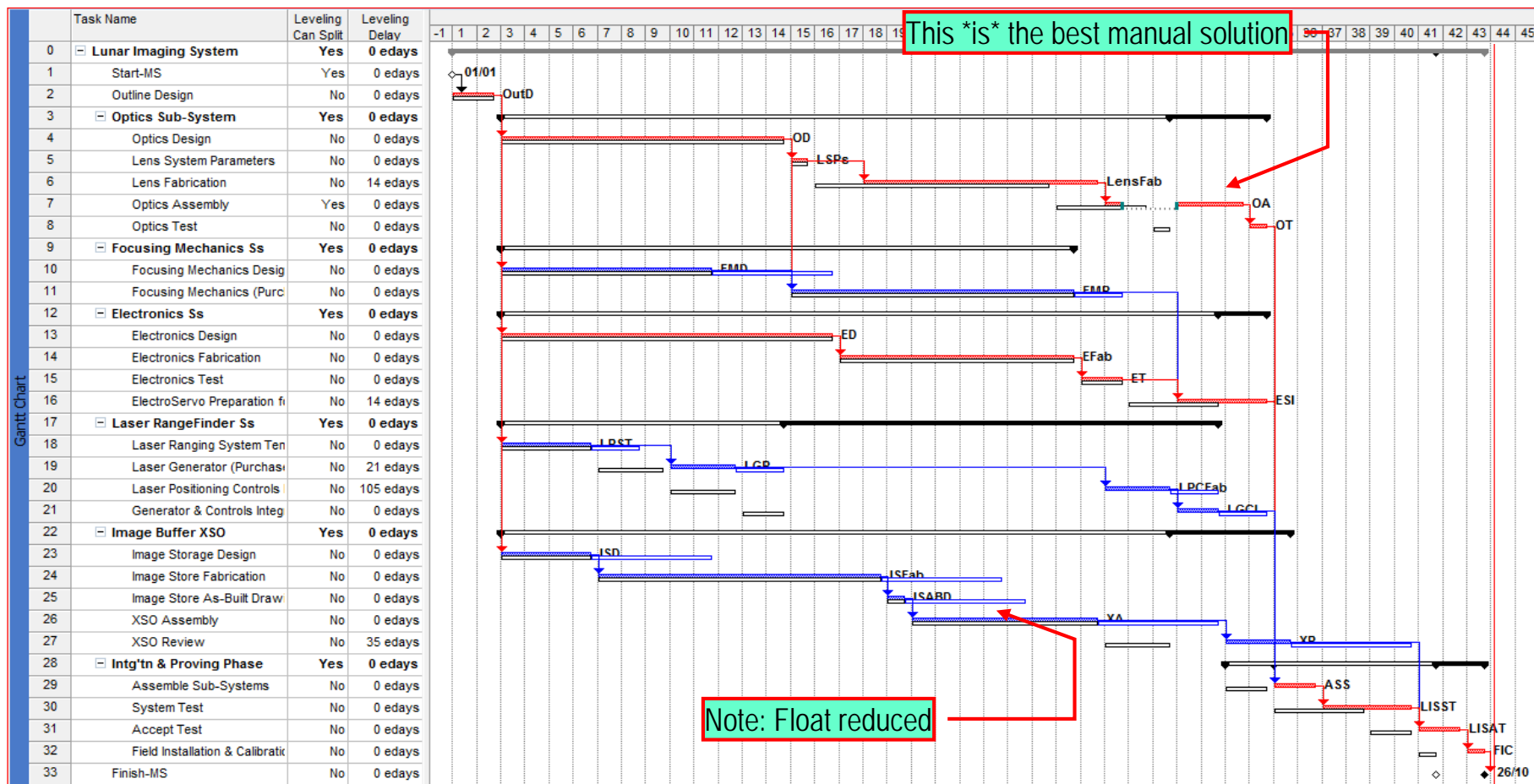
- Can be hard to determine driving factors (2007 & 2010 have useful feature)



Good Automated Solutions are Possible

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- In this case by setting Levelling Can Split to No on all but Optics Assembly



Contents: Cash-Flow and Cumulative Costs

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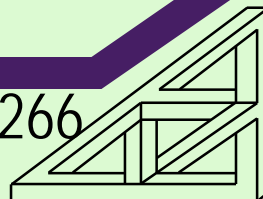
- Critical path and levelling



Cash-flows and cumulative costs

- Save the baseline

- Adding risk To The baseline

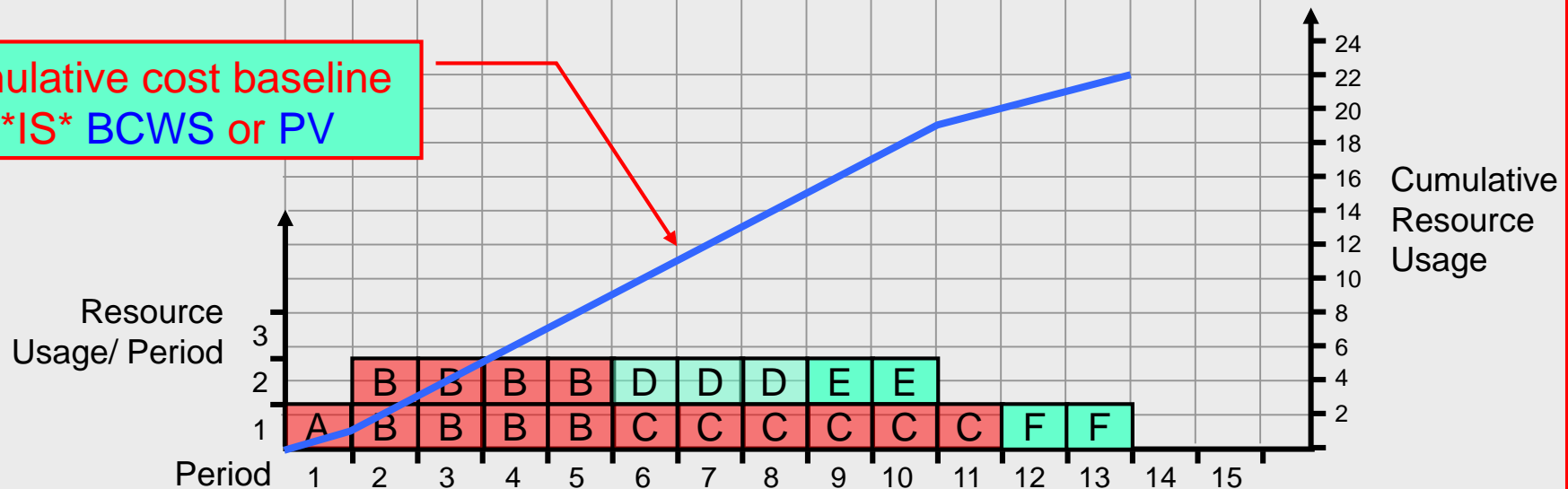




Task	Duration	Period														
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
A	1	1														
B	4		2	2	2	2										
C	6						1	1	1	1	1	1				
D	3						1	1	1							
E	2								1	1						
F	2												1	1		

1 Task
 8 Resource
 6 Usage
 3
 2
 2 = 22

The cumulative cost baseline
This *IS* BCWS or PV

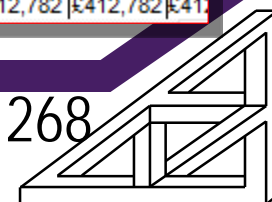
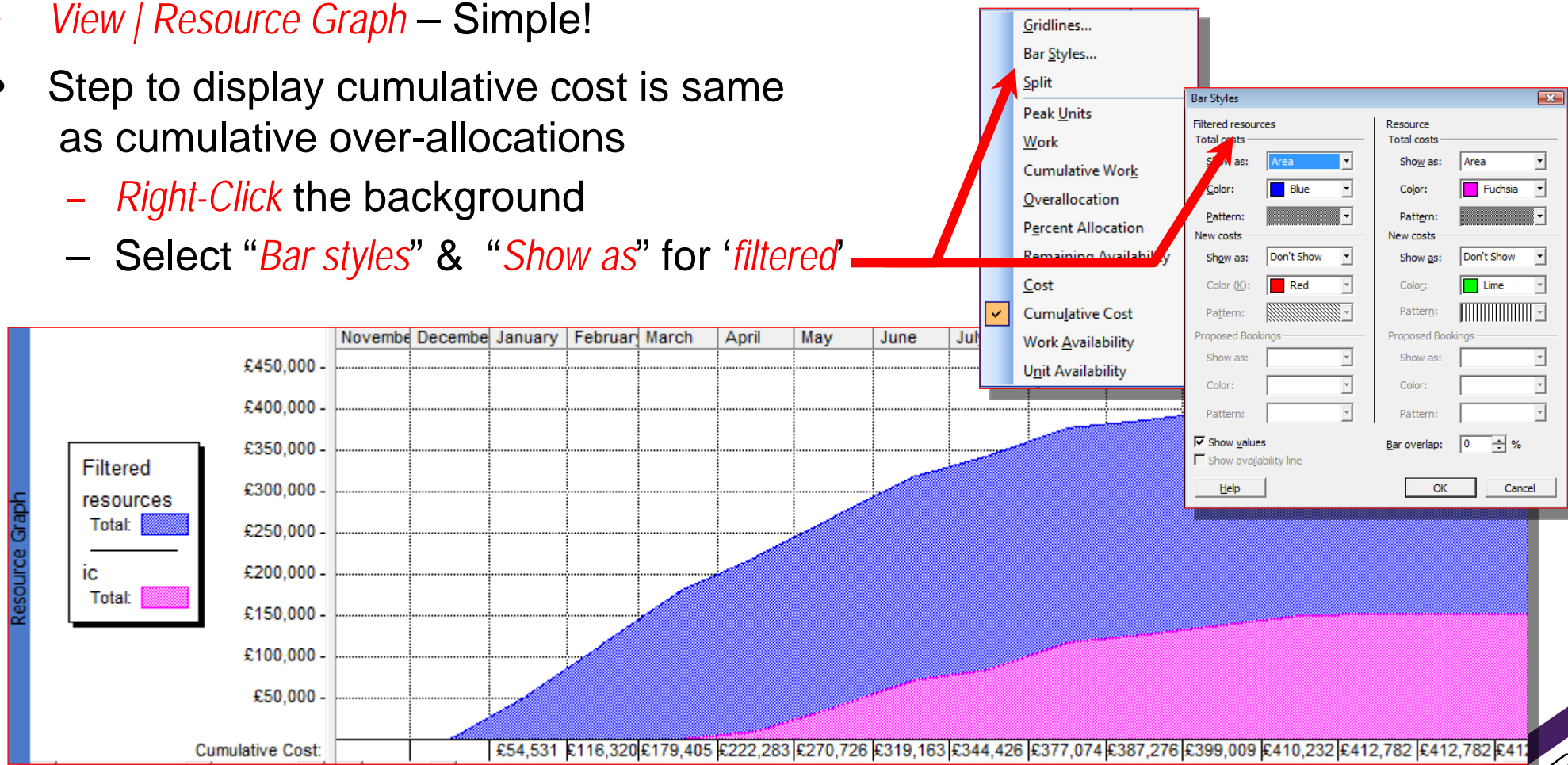




Displaying Cost Graphs

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- *View / Resource Graph* – Simple!
- Step to display cumulative cost is same as cumulative over-allocations
 - *Right-Click* the background
 - Select “*Bar styles*” & “*Show as*” for ‘*filtered*’



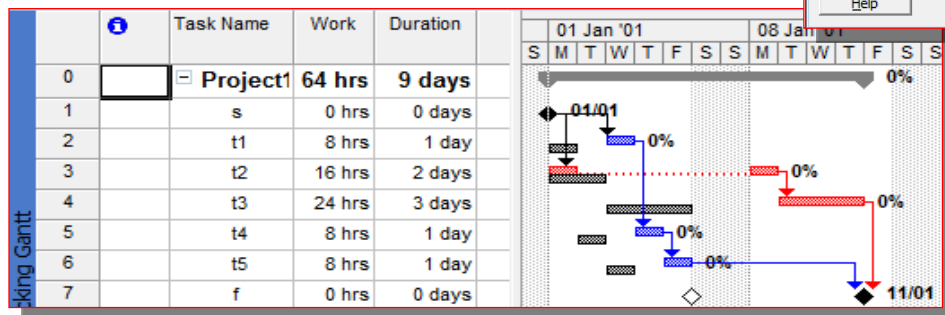
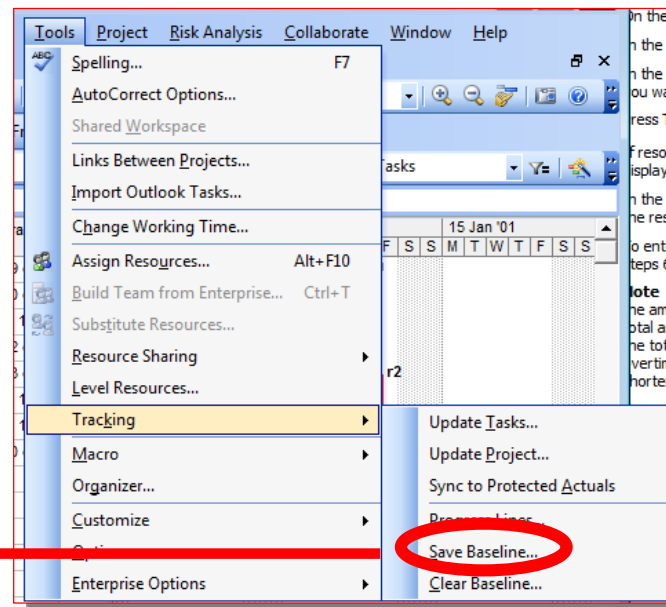
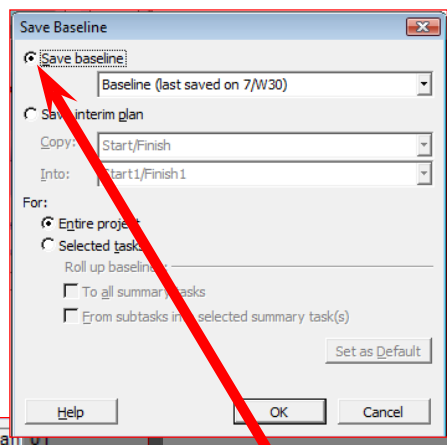


Save A Baseline

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- A baseline stores current values for later comparison
 - Enables Earned Value

- Baseline displayed in ½ height grey bar by default



- Only displayed in some views

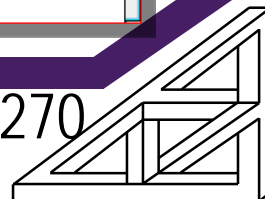
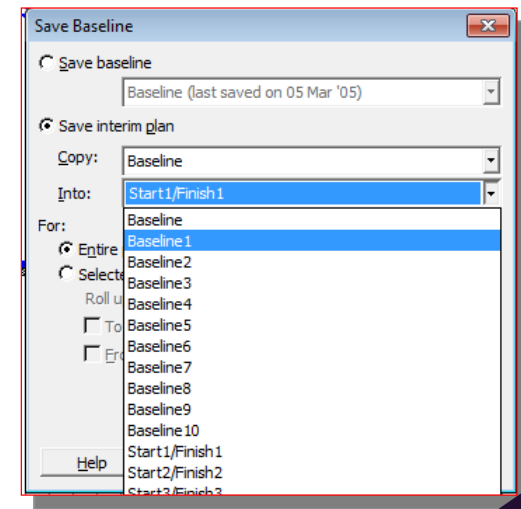
- Easy to turn on via Gantt wizard or *Right-Click / Bar Styles*



Baseline's Contents

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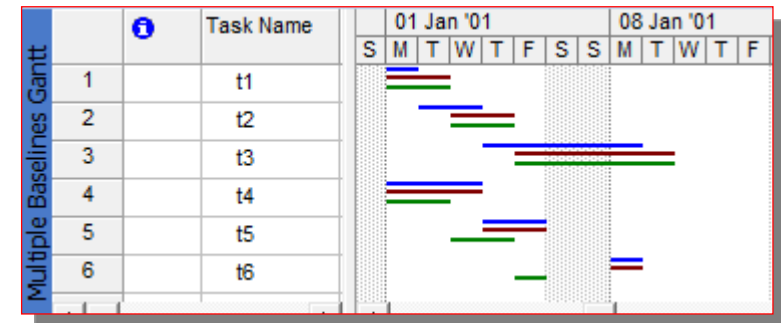
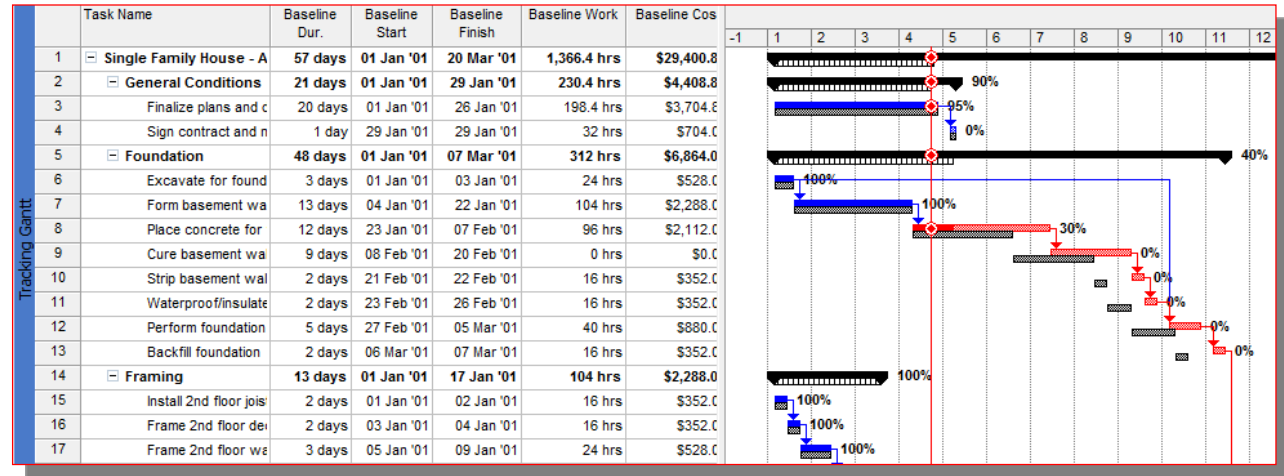
- A Baseline saves each task's
 - Cost, Duration, Finish, Start, Work
 - Initial save “Entire project”, Subsequent saves “Selected tasks”
 - “Selected tasks” save only modifies Summary Tasks if option selected
 - Can be cleared *Tools | Tracking | Clear Baseline... | Specific baseline*
 - Interim plans save only task start and finish dates
- MSPJ provides ‘The Baseline’ plus 10 numbered baselines and 10 numbered Start/ Finish
 - An old baseline can be preserved
 - A baseline can be copied (before being amended or overwritten)
 - EV works against any baseline selected



Displaying Baselines

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- Display with *Tracking Gantt* and *Baseline Table*
 - Baseline table allows edit of baseline data
 - Baselines probably shouldn't be edited!
- Multiple Baselines View shows baseline, baseline-1 and -2
 - You have to create your own view to show -3 through -10



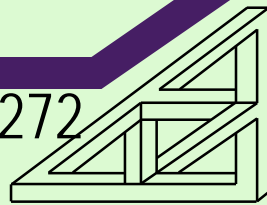
Contents: Adding Risk To The Baseline

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- Critical path and levelling
- Cash-flows and cumulative costs
 - Save the baseline



Adding risk To The baseline



Accommodating Risk In The Base-Line

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- Baselines require inclusion of responses to threat and opportunity
 - Responses in the baseline must address risk event and risk outcome
 - Responses to the event are in Plan-“A”
 - Tasks identified and selected to be taken belong in the WBS
 - All tasks in the committed WBS are scheduled
 - Contingencies are in Plan-“B”
 - Tasks identified, not yet selected
 - Selection is contingent on some triggering event becoming certain
 - Even contingent actions must be within cost and schedule baseline to be available to the project manager and sponsor
- Unselected, unbudgeted, unallocated, uncommitted responses are only in the risk register



Handling Risk

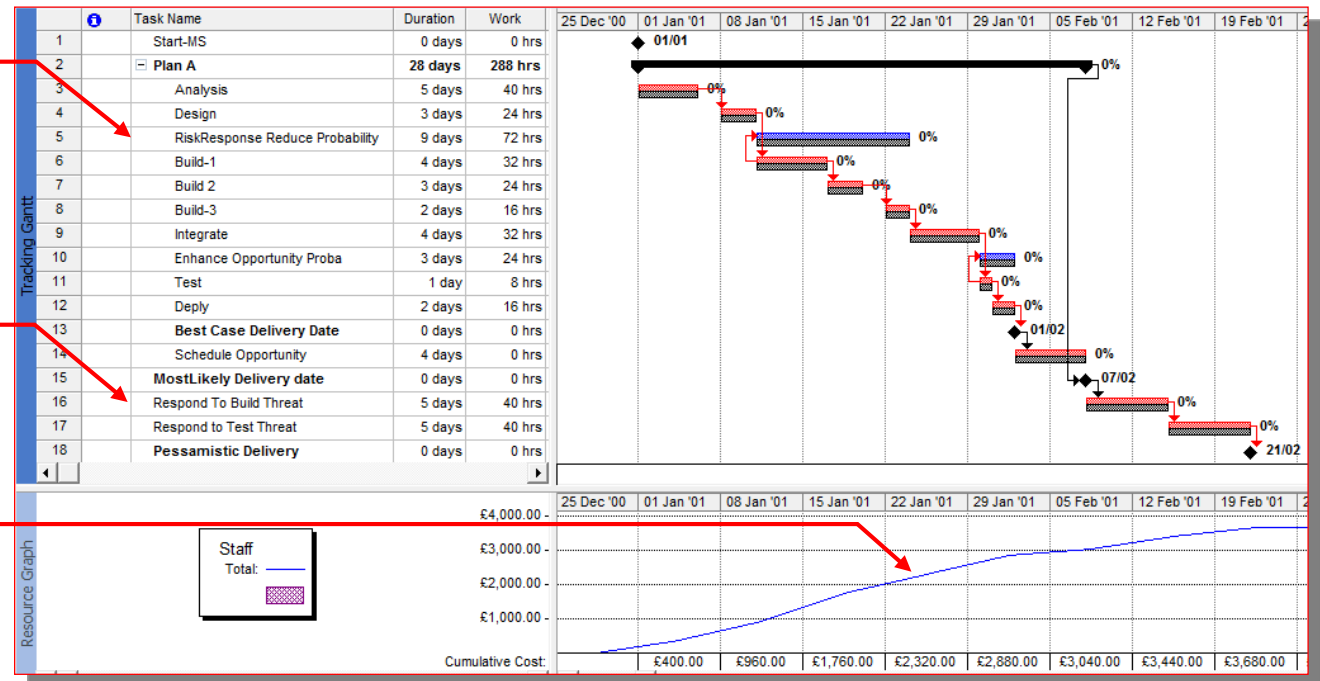
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- Plan-"A" baseline includes actions (from WBS) to address probability of events
 - Plan-"B" actions to react to events
 - In the baseline after best and before worst deliver date and max budget

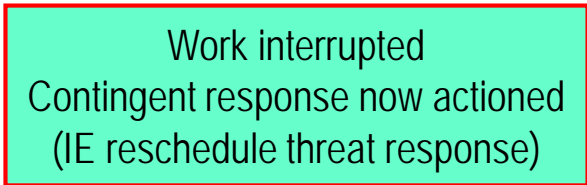
Proactive actions to make threat less likely to happen (or impact less significant)

Contingent actions to make threat impact less painful

Total costs include provisions for threat & opportunity responses



- Project tracked as normal until threat is removed or irrelevant or event occurs

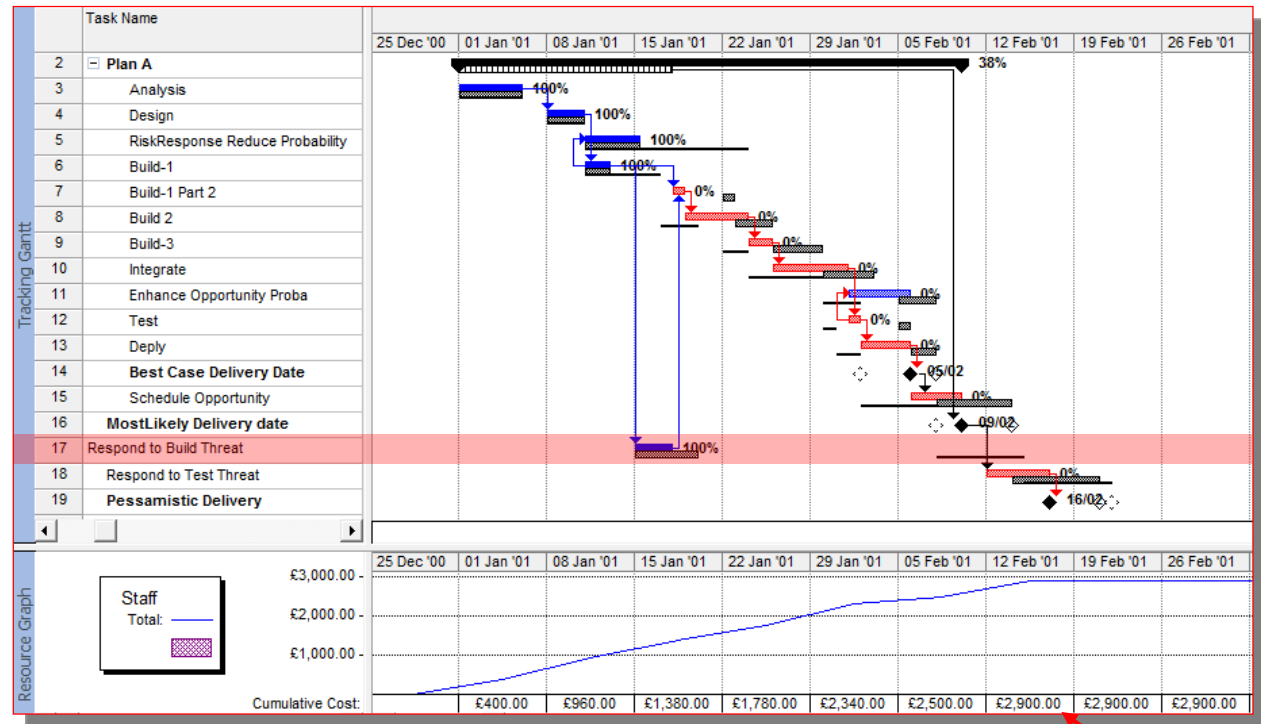


- If threat occurs stop preventative measures
- Start recovery action: Now!
- Perhaps snap-shot an additional baseline?
- Original baseline now baseline-1

Project After Risk Responses

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- When recovery actions are complete resume normal project actions
 - If recovery quicker and cheaper than expected (EG not needed) project EAC drops
- Risk response can be in a single buffer
 - Should reflect $\sum EMV$ of all threats & opportunities (!)
 - Could be negative!!
- Response task can be relocated (see next slide)
 - Will be re-linked if auto-linking is set on

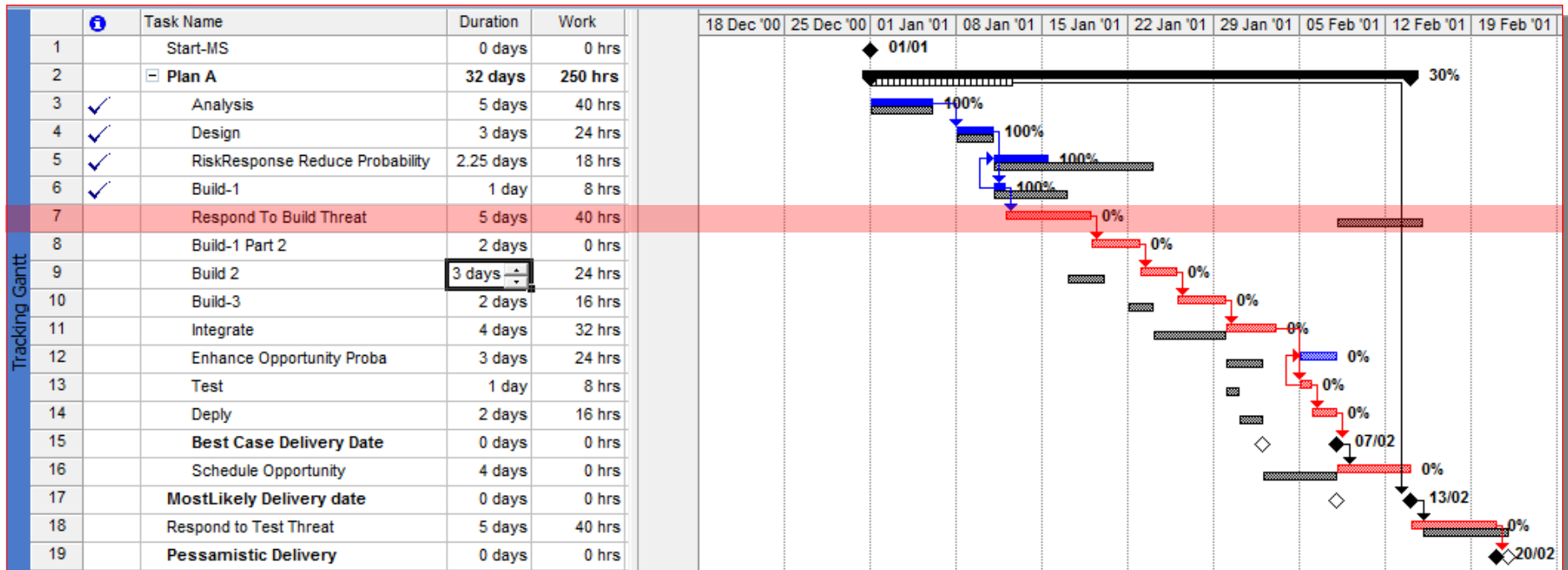


Budget At Completion Reduced (in this case)

Reschedule Contingent Task

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- Alternatively drag contingent task between tasks interrupted and following on in the Gantt
 - Where automatic linking is enabled



MSPJ's Inclusion of Risk

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- MSPJ has rudimentary PERT analysis

- Accessed via PERT toolbar



- Not worth using*

- Use Excel (details later) or a "proper" Monte Carlo Add-in

Task Name	Duration	Optimistic Dur.	Expected Dur.	Pessimistic Dur.
0 PERT	3 days?	0 days	0 days	0 days
1 Path 1	3 days?	0 days	0 days	0 days
2 P1 T1	1 day?	0 days	0 days	0 days
3 P1 T2	1 day?	0 days	0 days	0 days
4 P1 T3	1 day?	0 days	0 days	0 days
5 Path 2	3 days?	0 days	0 days	0 days
6 P2 T1	1 day?	0 days	0 days	0 days
7 P2 T2	1 day?	0 days	0 days	0 days
8 P2 T3	1 day?	0 days	0 days	0 days
9 Path 3	3 days?	0 days	0 days	0 days
10 P3 T1	1 day?	0 days	0 days	0 days
11 P3 T2	1 day?	0 days	0 days	0 days
12 P3 T3	1 day?	0 days	0 days	0 days
13 Finish	1 day?	0 days	0 days	0 days

PERT Entry

Name: P1 T1

Duration: 1 day?

Durations

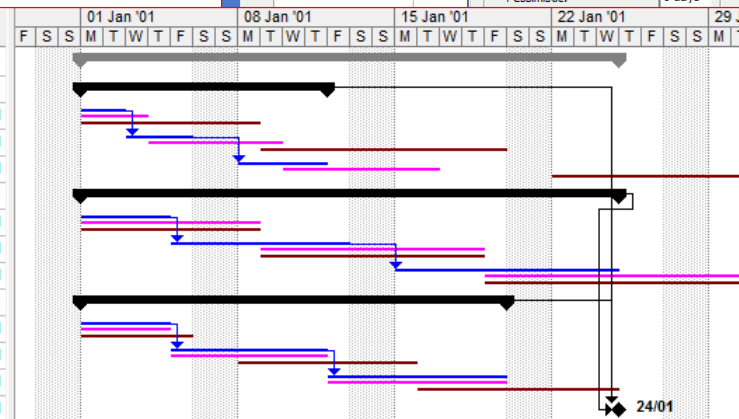
Optimistic: 0 days

Expected: 0 days

Pessimistic: 0 days

MSPJ adds 3 columns (Optimistic, Expected, Pessimistic) and uses a macro that PARTIALLY understands 3Pt. Results stored in Start/ Finish 1, 2 & 3 Views to show results also unsatisfactory although can be extended

Task Name	Opt Dur	Opt Start	Opt Finish
0 PERT	18 days	01 Jan '01	24 Jan '01
1 Path 1	9 days	01 Jan '01	11 Jan '01
2 P1 T1	2 days	01 Jan '01	02 Jan '01
3 P1 T2	3 days	03 Jan '01	05 Jan '01
4 P1 T3	4 days	08 Jan '01	11 Jan '01
5 Path 2	18 days	01 Jan '01	24 Jan '01
6 P2 T1	4 days	01 Jan '01	04 Jan '01
7 P2 T2	6 days	05 Jan '01	12 Jan '01
8 P2 T3	8 days	15 Jan '01	24 Jan '01
9 Path 3	15 days	01 Jan '01	19 Jan '01
10 P3 T1	4 days	01 Jan '01	04 Jan '01
11 P3 T2	5 days	05 Jan '01	11 Jan '01
12 P3 T3	6 days	12 Jan '01	19 Jan '01
13 Finish	0 days	24 Jan '01	24 Jan '01



PERT Analysis

PERT Analysis uses the information contained in Optimistic Dur., Expected Dur., and Pessimistic Dur.. These are stored in the Duration1, Duration2, and Duration3 fields respectively. Clicking Yes recalculates the Duration field based on these three fields. The calculation ignores tasks which don't have a value for any of these three fields.

It will also overwrite any value or delete any customization of the following fields: Start1/Finish1, Start2/Finish2 and Start3/Finish3.

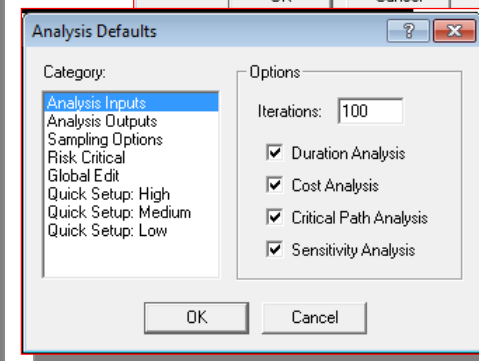
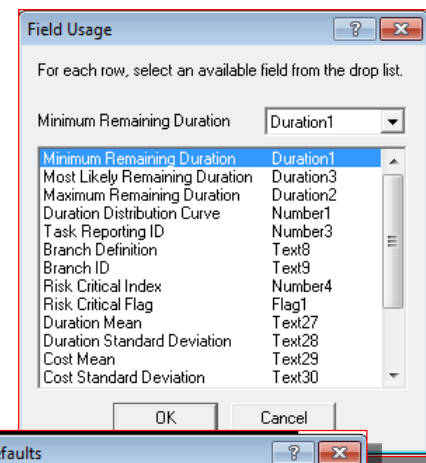
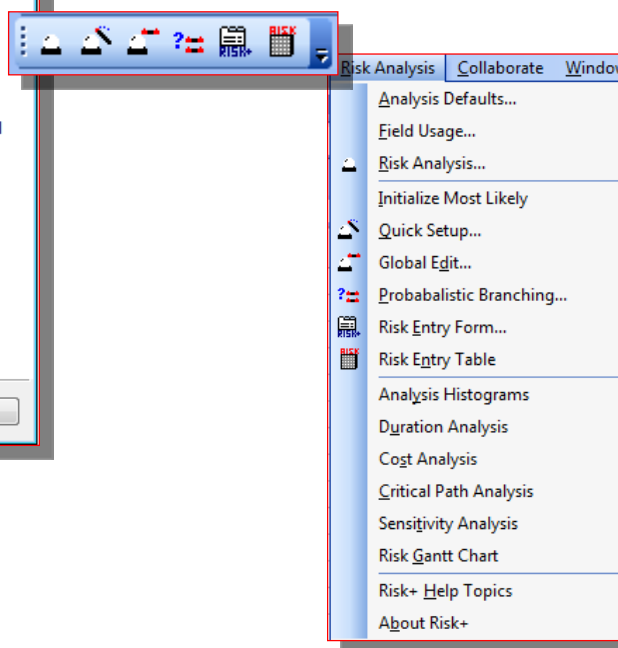
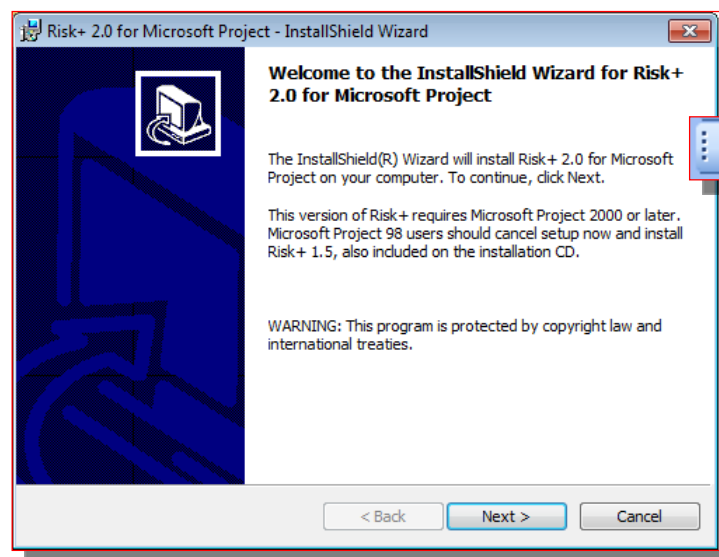
Do you want to continue?

Yes No

Monte-Carlo Add-Ins

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- Several third parties sell comprehensive Monte-Carlo tools
 - Installed as .DLL libraries, macros and new menus/ buttons/ views



Set-up The Simulation

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- General use first sets up the project as usual

- Assign each task optimistic, pessimistic and expected durations
 - Assign each task a probability density function aka distribution
- Select tasks to report for (Could be all)

The screenshot displays the software interface for project simulation. It includes a task list table, a risk analysis menu, a global edit dialog, and a risk entry form.

	Task Name	Rept ID	Min Rdur	ML Rdur	Max Rdur	Curve
1	European ReBrand	2	0d	0d	0d	0
2	Design Phase 1	0	0d	0d	0d	0
3	Preliminary Design	0	22.5d	30d	52.5d	3
4	Design Review	0	1.5d	2d	3.5d	3
5	Nordic	2	0d	0d	0d	0
6	Print Runs	0	15d	20d	35d	3
7	Distribute to branch	0	7.5d	10d	17.5d	3

Risk Analysis Menu:

- Analysis Defaults...
- Field Usage...
- Risk Analysis...
- Initialize Most Likely**
- Quick Setup...
- Global Edit...

Global Edit Dialog:

Project: EuroBranding.MPP

Limits:

- Set minimum to most likely minus: 25 %
- Set maximum to most likely plus: 75 %

Apply To:

- ☒ Entire Project
- ☐ Selection

Curve:

- ☐ 1. Uniform
- ☐ 2. Triangular
- ☒ 3. Normal
- ☐ 4. Beta

Buttons: OK, Cancel

Risk Entry Form:

Name: European ReBrand

ID: 1

Reporting Task: ☒

Preview Task: ☒

Remaining Duration:

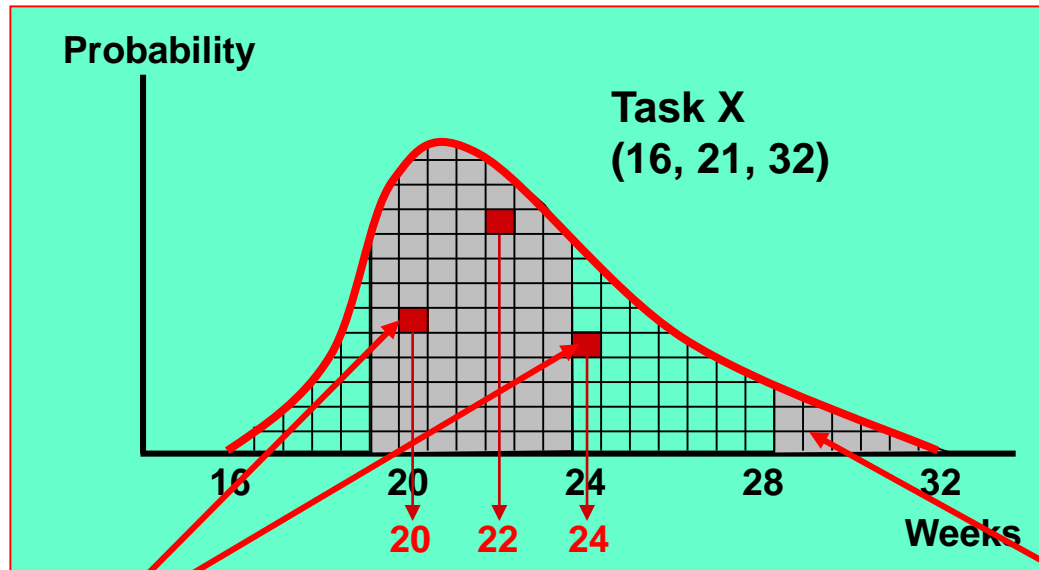
- Minimum: 0d
- Most Likely: 0d
- Maximum: 0d
- Curve: 0. Fixed

Buttons: Close, Next, Previous

Random Selection of a 3PE Value

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- Pick value for each activity, weighted to activity's distribution
 - Take probability of each value into account in value selection



- Split area under curve into 100 equal segments
- Randomly pick value from 1-100
 - Ensures outcome is weighted to activity distribution
- Randomly pick box and translate value into weeks

Almost half of random values fall into 19-23 weeks. 5% in Wk 28-32



Run Simulation

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- Each task is assigned a random duration within its distribution
 - Critical path analysis performed
 - Dates recorded
 - Process repeats
- Final result includes two distribution curves
 - Project duration and cost

Risk Analysis

Project: EuroBranding.MPP

Iterations: 1000

Options

☒ Duration Analysis ☒ Sensitivity Analysis

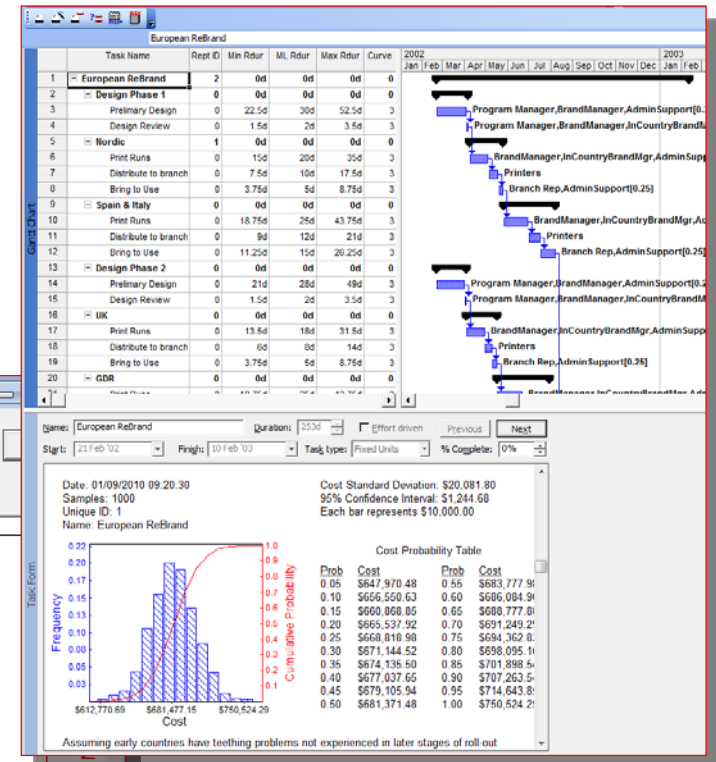
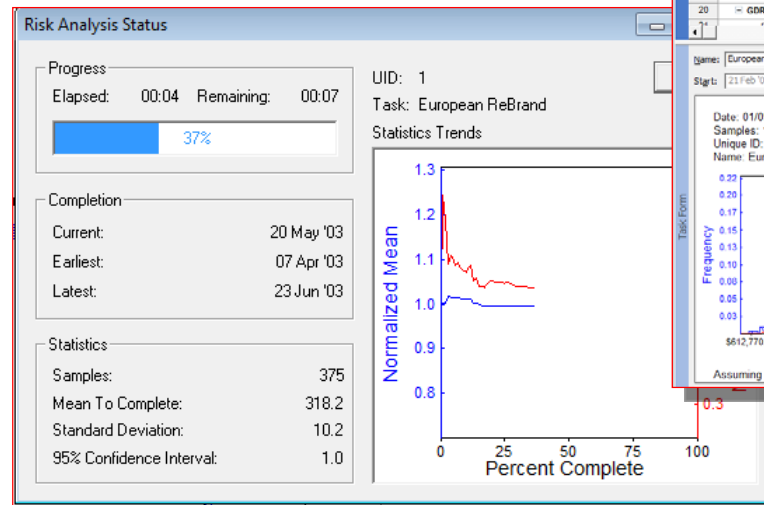
☒ Cost Analysis

☒ Critical Path Analysis

Analysis Notes

Assuming early countries have teething problems not experienced in later stages of roll-out

OK Cancel



Analyse Results

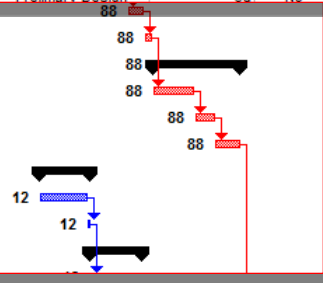
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- Analysis includes
 - Sensitivity of project end-date to task duration
 - % time a task appears on the critical path
 - Et.al.

	Task Name	Early Finish	Late Finish	Range
1	[-] European Warehousing	NA	NA	
2	[-] Design Phase 1	NA	NA	
3	Preliminary Design	31 Jan '03	20 Feb '03	13.5d
4	Design Review	10 Feb '03	11 Feb '03	
5	[-] Unit A1	NA	NA	
6	Design Unit A1	03 Feb '03	17 Feb '03	14d
7	Fabricate Unit A1	06 Feb '03	13 Feb '03	7d
8	Test Unit A1	07 Feb '03	12 Feb '03	5d
9	[-] Unit B1	NA	NA	
10	Design Unit B1	31 Jan '03	19 Feb '03	19.25d
11	Fabricate Unit B1	05 Feb '03	13 Feb '03	8d
12	Test Unit B1	05 Feb '03	14 Feb '03	9d
13	[-] Design Phase 2	NA	NA	
14	Preliminary Design	10 Feb '03	11 Feb '03	1d
15	Design Review	10 Feb '03	10 Feb '03	0d
16	[-] Unit A2	NA	NA	

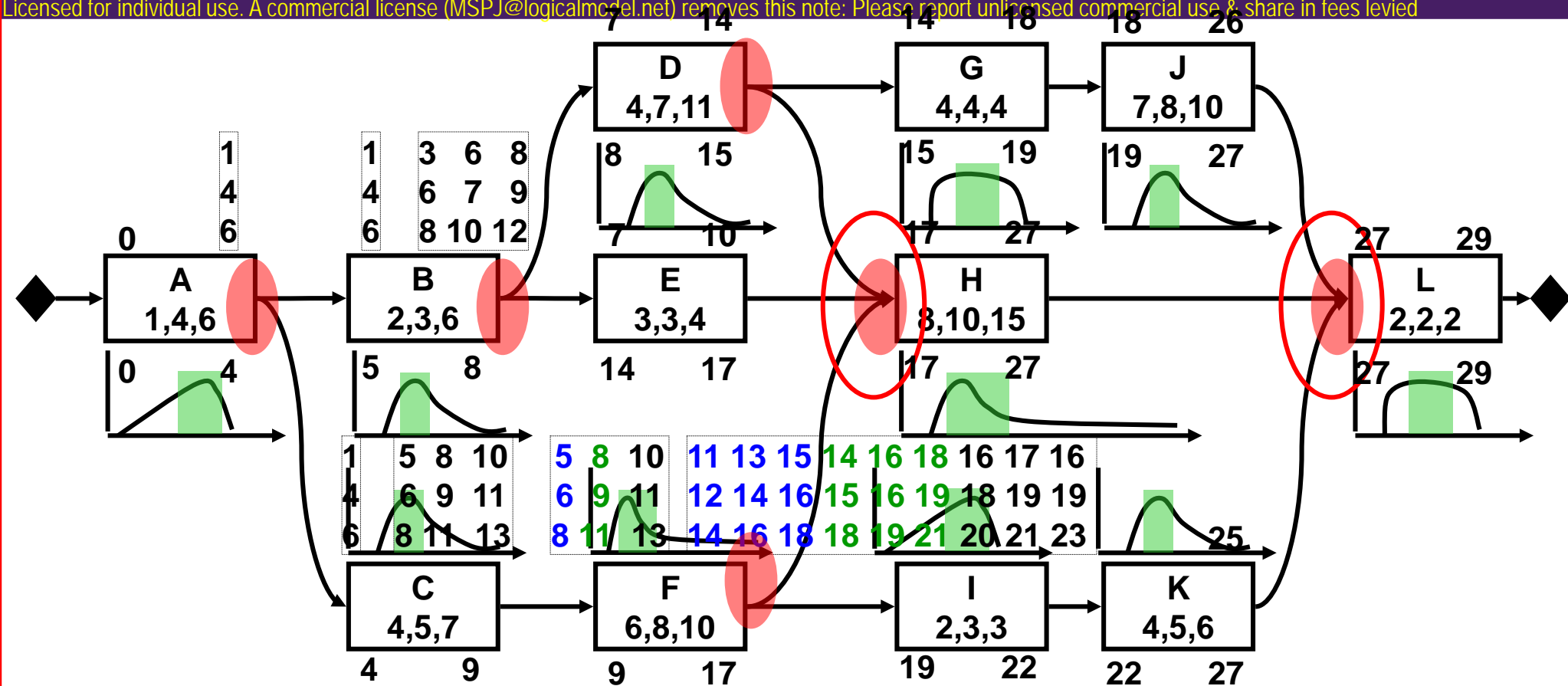
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1	[-] European Warehousing	0d	Yes	100				
2	[-] Design Phase 1	0d	Yes	88				
3	Preliminary Design	0d	Yes	88				
4	Design Review	0d	Yes	88				
5	[-] Unit A1	0d	Yes	88				
6	Design Unit A1	0d	Yes	88				
7	Fabricate Unit A1	0d	Yes	88				
8	Test Unit A1	0d	Yes	88				
9	[-] Unit B1	0d	Yes	88				
10	Design Unit B1	0d	Yes	88				
12	Test Unit B1	0d	Yes	88				
11	Fabricate Unit B1	0d	Yes	88				
13	[-] Design Phase 2	6d	No	12				
14	Preliminary Design	6d	No	12				

	Task Name	Early Finish	Late Finish	Range	Feb '03	09 Feb '03	16 Feb '03	23 Feb '03
25	Design Unit C	30 Jan '03	20 Feb '03	15d				
3	Preliminary Design	31 Jan '03	20 Feb '03	13.5d				
10	Design Unit B1	31 Jan '03	19 Feb '03	12.25d				
6	Design Unit A1	03 Feb '03	17 Feb '03	10d				
26	Fabricate Unit C	03 Feb '03	17 Feb '03	10d				
12	Test Unit B1	05 Feb '03	14 Feb '03	7.5d				
40	Integrate Assembly	05 Feb '03	14 Feb '03	7.5d				
11	Fabricate Unit B1	05 Feb '03	13 Feb '03	6d				
36	Integrate Assembly	05 Feb '03	13 Feb '03	6d				



Adding Uncertainties

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- Project expected = $\sum (e1 + e2 + e3 + e4 + \dots)$
- Project sd = $\sqrt{\sum (sd1^2 + sd2^2 + sd3^2 + sd4^2 + \dots)}$



Using A Spread Sheet To Assess Contingency

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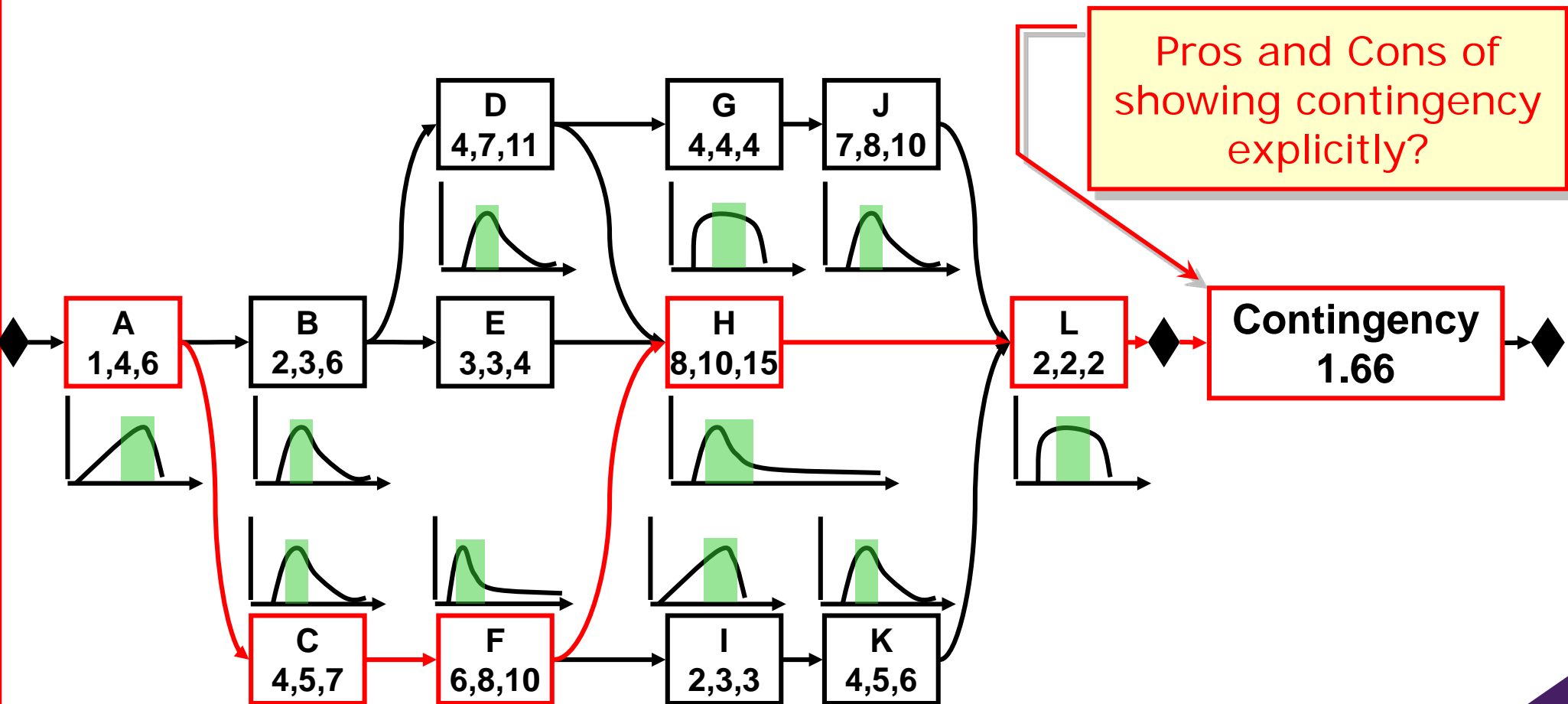
- Critical path tasks benefit from schedule protection
- All tasks benefit from budget protection
- Steps
 - Schedule in MSPJ
 - Calculate in XL
 - Add schedule buffer(s) to MSPJ

Task	Best	ML	Worst	e	SD	CP	Float	SD*SD	Schedule Protection
A	1.00	4.00	6.00	3.83	0.83	1.00		0.69	0.69
B	2.00	3.00	6.00	3.33	0.67		1.00	0.44	
C	4.00	5.00	7.00	5.17	0.50	1.00		0.25	0.25
D	4.00	7.00	11.00	7.17	1.17		1.00	1.36	
E	3.00	3.00	4.00	3.17	0.17		7.00	0.03	
F	6.00	8.00	10.00	8.00	0.67	1.00		0.44	0.44
G	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00			1.00		
H	8.00	10.00	15.00	10.5	1.17	1.00		1.36	1.36
I	2.00	3.00	3.00	2.83	0.17		2.00	0.03	
J	7.00	8.00	10.00	8.17	0.50		1.00	0.25	
K	4.00	5.00	6.00	5.00	0.33		2.00	0.11	
L	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	0.00	1.00		0.00	0.00
Length of CP & Total Effort				E=63.17 CP=29.5		Effort & CP protection		2.23	1.66

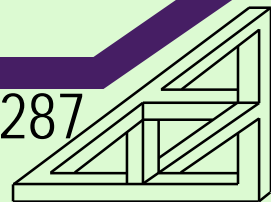
- Can easily be semi-automated: We will see how later

Showing Schedule Contingency

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- Balancing work and resources requires
 - Tuning resource assignments (and task dependencies)
 - Requires visibility of Critical Path for decision making
- Initial assessment of time-phased assignments often needs levelling
 - Desire for efficient resource usage often drives need to smooth
 - Usage views are best for detailed smoothing and levelling
- Work in scope must include responses to threat and opportunity
 - Use an Add-In tool or a spreadsheet to calculate allowances
- Results of Risk assessment and resource balancing determines schedule and cash-flow
 - When ready for execution save a baseline

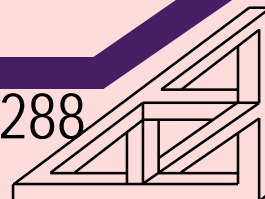




Case-Study: Levelling Resource Assignments 1/2

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- Assigning resources established a best case schedule
 - What we hope for isn't possible
 - We must level resource assignments to allow for:
 - People's holidays,
 - Sub-contractors availability dates and
 - Management's resource allocations
 - Starting where the last part left off
 - You can use Case 3.3 CorrectAssignments if you wish
 - (Open as Copy?)

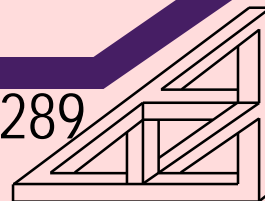




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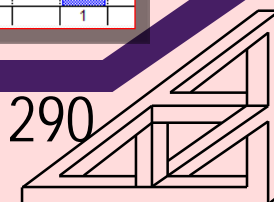
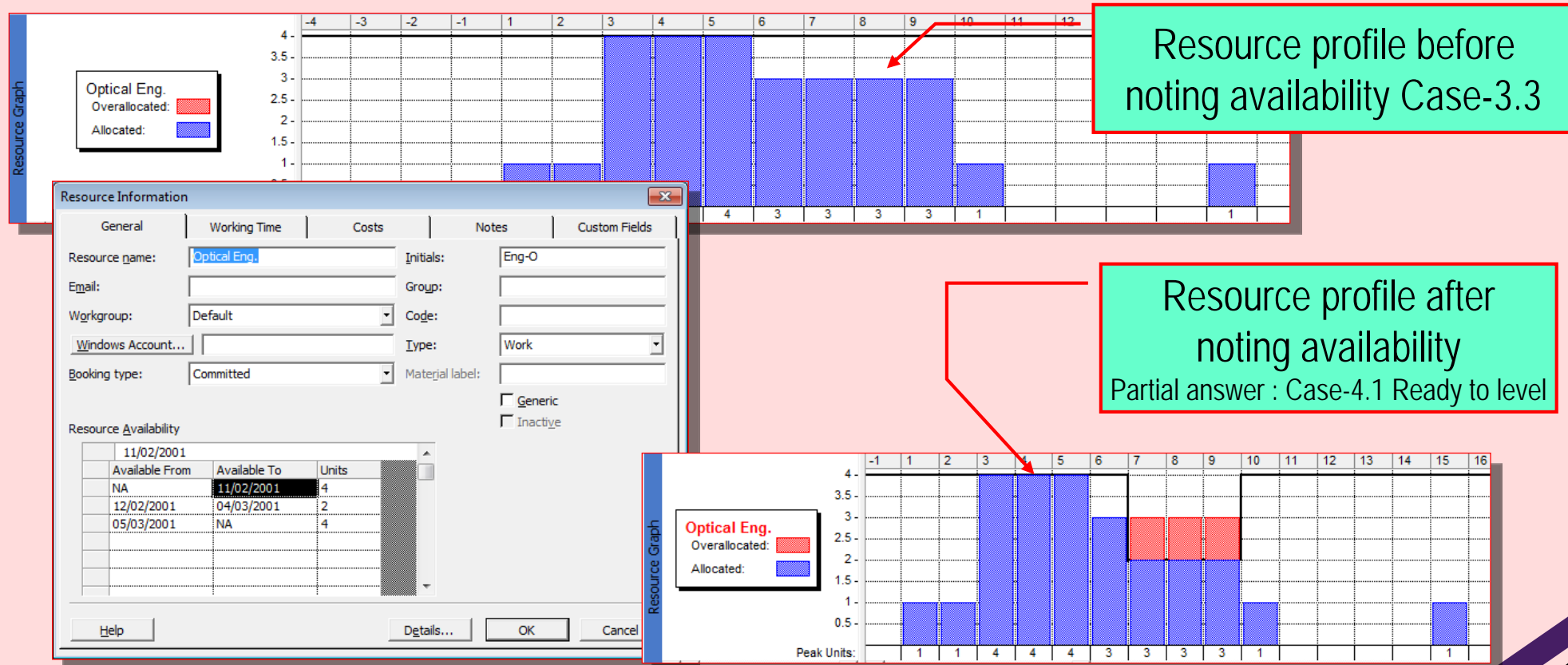
- Update the resources for their availability
 - Only 2 Optical Engineers (Eng-O) available in weeks 7-9
 - No Sub Contractor till week 18 (then only 1)
 - Limit of 3 Tech-I's and none in weeks 29 & 30
 - Recall *View / Resource Sheet, Resource Information / General / Resource Availability*
 - To translate week numbers to dates
Display Timeline in weeks and float cursor over required weeks
 - May help to split the screen with *Resource Sheet* above and *Resource Graph* below
- You may want to save results when resource constraints have been applied
 - In order to try manual and automated leveling on your project file



Case-Study: Eng-O Resource Limits

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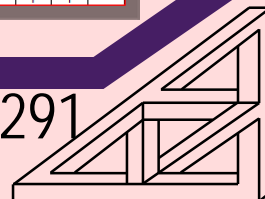
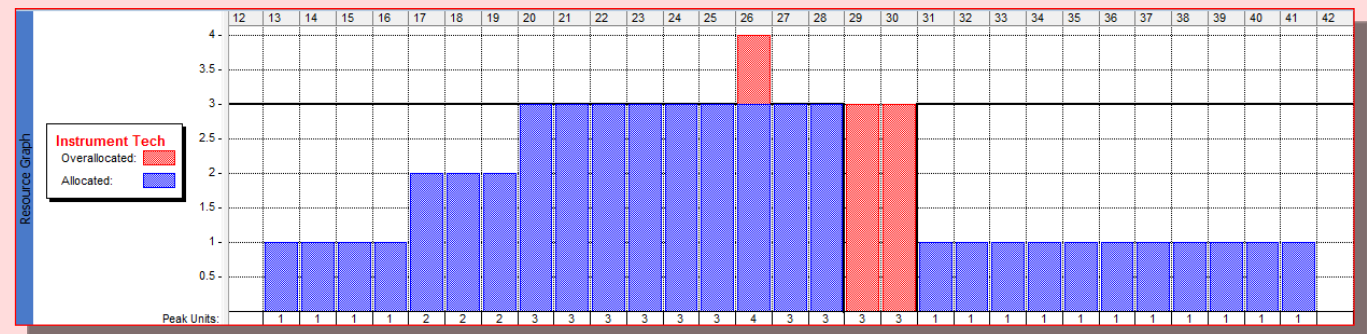
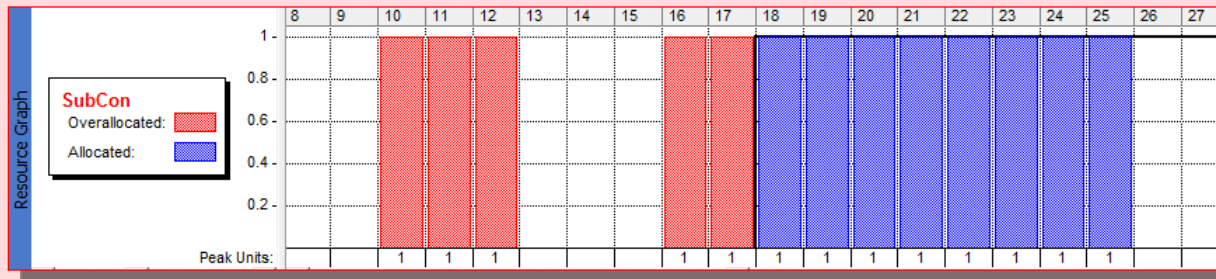
- Resolving allocations requires rescheduling tasks
 - The project has only two Optical Engineers (Eng-O) in wk 7-9



Case-Study: S-C and Tech-I Resource Limits

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- Resolving allocations requires rescheduling tasks
 - No Sub Contractor till week 18
 - Only 3 Instrument Technicians (Tech-I) in total



Case-Study: Resolving Over-Allocations 1/2

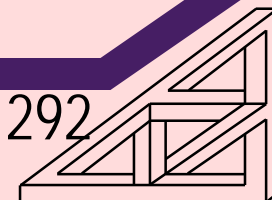
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- Use Resource Management toolbar and Resource Usage sheet to resolve over-allocations

		Resource Name	Work	Details	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	
		Unassigned	0 hrs	Work																					
1		Optical Eng.	1,120 hrs	Work	40h	40h	160h	160h	160h	120h	120h	120h	120h	40h					40h						
		<i>Outline Design</i>	80 hrs	Work	40h	40h																			
		<i>Optics Design</i>	320 hrs	Work			40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h												
		<i>Lens System Pa</i>	40 hrs	Work														40h							
		<i>Focusing Mech</i>	280 hrs	Work			40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h												
		<i>Laser Ranging</i>	160 hrs	Work			40h	40h	40h	40h															
		<i>Laser Generato</i>	120 hrs	Work						40h	40h	40h													
		<i>Image Storage L</i>	120 hrs	Work			40h	40h	40h																
2		Drawing Office	640 hrs	Work	0h	40h	0h	0h	40h	40h	0h	0h	80h	80h	80h	40h	40h	80h	40h	40h				40h	
3		SubCon	520 hrs	Work										40h	40h	40h			40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h
4		Instrument Tech	2,200 hrs	Work													40h	40h	40h	40h	80h	80h	80h	120h	
5		Electrical Eng.	480 hrs	Work			40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h							
6		Fabr'tn Dept	480 hrs	Work							40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	

Resource Name	Work	Details	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41
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- Save when done and try again using automated levelling



Case-Study: Resolving Over-Allocations 2/2

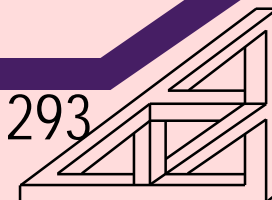
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- After over allocations are resolved some task dates are 'right-shifted'

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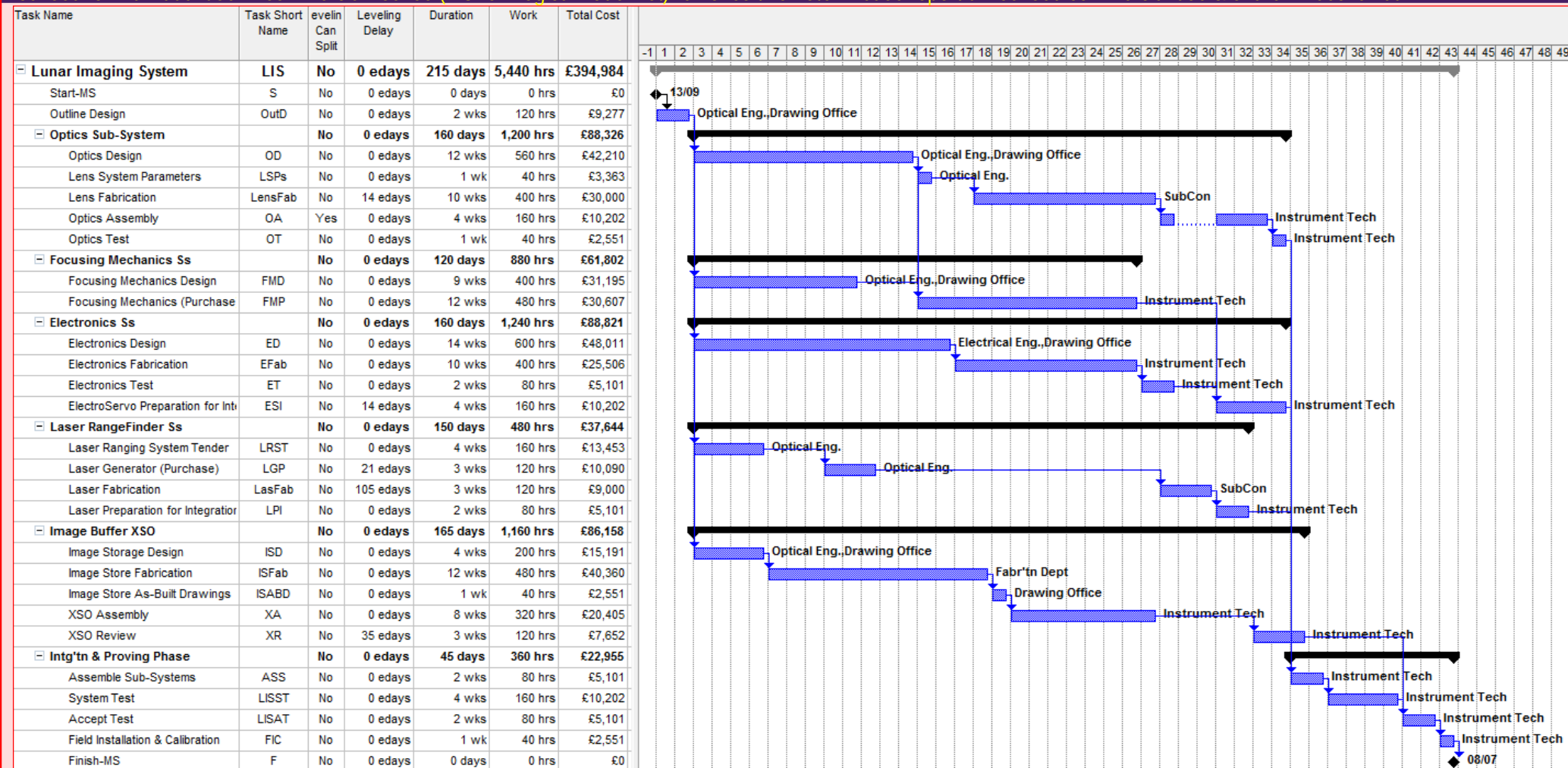
– After levelling Case-4.2 AutoLevelled





Case-Study: Levelled, Ready to Base-Line

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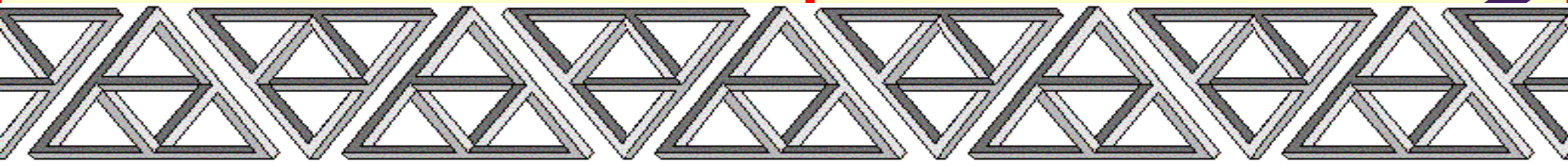
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 - Creating & running PMOs
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 - Using Earned Value Analysis
 - Board briefings on project control & governance

- Continued...
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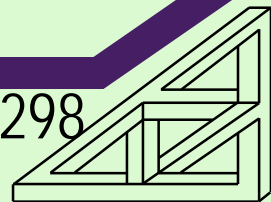
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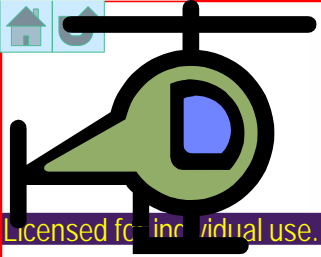
Lesson 7: Tracking Progress And Amending Assignments

Objectives

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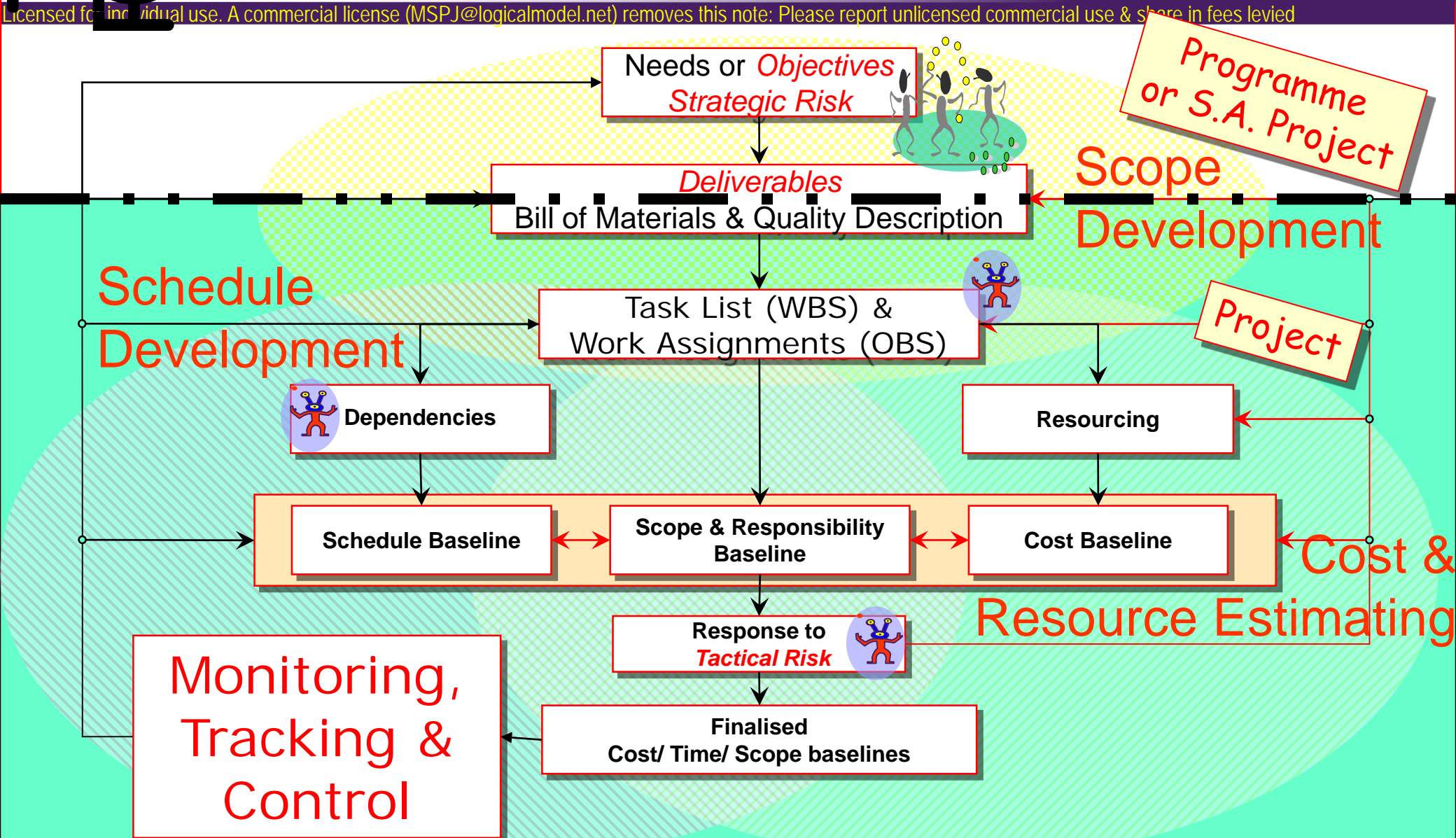
- Set calculation and other options in preparation to track versus the baseline
 - Decide whether to track with durations or work and at what level
- Track status and adjust the un-executed portion of the plan for revised intentions
 - Track with %Complete, or with task dates or time-phased Actual Work
 - Track costs via resource usage (Or disable calculations & track manually)
 - Revisit the effects of Task-Type and Effort-Driven on tracking
- Using filters and manipulating the plan
 - EG to replace resources part way through a project
- Reporting, Displaying project status and extract (and importing) information
 - Assess variances
 - Analyse the project using Earned Value Analysis
 - Using DDE* to link to other programs such as Excel
- Track the Case-Study through its first 7 months





Development and Maintenance of Project Baseline

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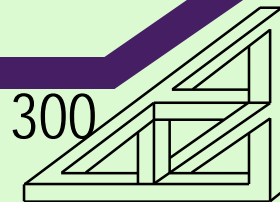
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Preparing to Track and Tracking

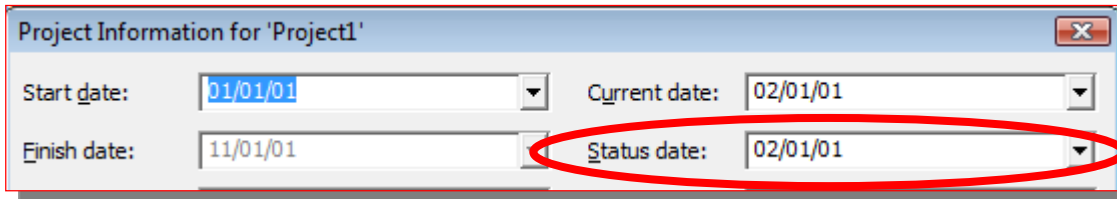
- Calculation Options
 - High level tracking
 - Low level tracking
-
- Tracking Costs
 - Status, Filters and amending the plan's contents
 - Using Earned Value
 - MSPJ capabilities for data reporting, exporting and exchanging



Preparing to Track

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- Tracking requires a status date – Today by default
 - *Project / Project Information / Status Date*



Project Information for 'Project1'

Start date:	01/01/01	Current date:	02/01/01
Finish date:	11/01/01	Status date:	02/01/01

- Decision about what level to track at
 - Project progress level or at Task level or at Assignments level
 - Time-phased assignment level is most detailed
- Tracking also requires set-up of tracking defaults
 - Entering data causes instantaneous recalculation of schedule and cost
 - You can make re-calculation manual *Tools / Options / Calculation / Mode: Manual*
 - Then use Shift+F9 to calculate the project (F9 for all open projects)
 - Other defaults to be set in *Tools / Options / Calculation*



Tools | Options | Calculation

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- Cost calculations and how work done ahead of baseline or behind base-line is rescheduled

MSPJ will move tasks around status date for work done out of schedule

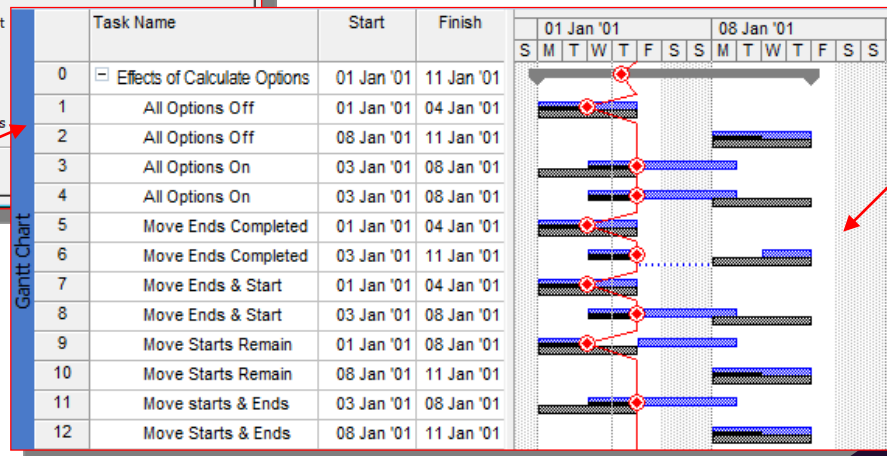
%Complete spread over whole duration or only up to status date

MSPJ Calculates ALL actual variable costs or you do

Status tracked as 50% on dates, even in future



Dates adjusted to reflect start/finish base on tracking

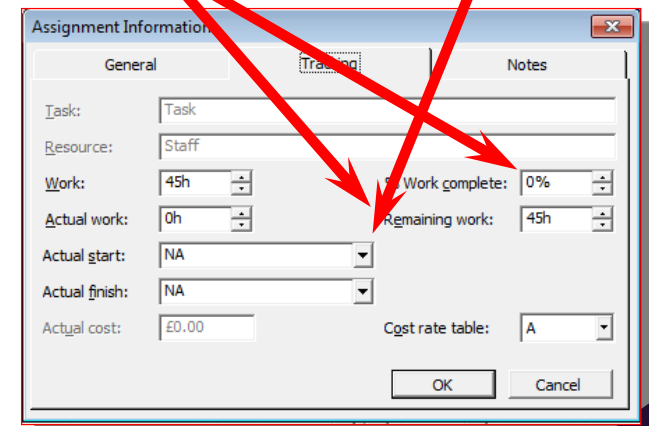




High-Level Versus Low-Level Tracking

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- MSPJ's flexible tracking options have different strengths and weaknesses
 - High-level project and task tracking is quick but lacks granularity
 - Update entire project to record progress to plan!
 - Or track dates and durations on selected tasks or assignments
 - Or track work done and to go on selected tasks or assignments
 - Lowest-level tracking
 - Set time-phased assignment actual and remaining work
- Level of tracking can be Summary task, Task, Assignment or Time-phased assignment
 - Tasks (assignments) can be tracked at different levels of detail
 - Even at different tracking times



Assignment Information		
General	Tracking	Notes
Task:	Task	
Resource:	Staff	
Work:	45h	Work complete: 0%
Actual work:	0h	Remaining work: 45h
Actual start:	NA	
Actual finish:	NA	
Actual cost:	£0.00	
Cost rate table:		A
OK		Cancel



Project Guide Set-Up Tracking Wizard

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- Project guide contains useful tracking views

- View / Toolbars / Project Guide*

(or Right-Click toolbar background)

- Track

- Prepare...

- Tasks don't have to have been resourced on entry, BUT...

- Only resourced tasks have *Work*

Setup Tracking

Tracking Method

How do you want to track the progress of each task?

☐ Always track by entering the Percent of Work Complete
☐ Always track by entering the Actual Work Done and Work Remaining
☒ Always track by entering the hours of work done per time period

The most accurate though time-consuming method of tracking. Your resources will specify the hours worked on each task during each time period.

Step 2 of 2

☒ Save and Finish
☐ Go back to Step 1

Task Name	Work	Actual Work	Duration
7 FD-Ed	32 hrs	8 hrs	4 days
Staff	32 hrs	8 hrs	
8 FU-Ed	32 hrs	8 hrs	4 days
Staff	32 hrs	8 hrs	
9 FD	32 hrs	8 hrs	4 days
Staff	32 hrs	8 hrs	
10 FU	32 hrs	8 hrs	4 days
Staff	32 hrs	8 hrs	

Project Guide: Custom tracking usage

Track and manage your project as it progresses by clicking an item below. Clicking an item displays tools and instructions for completing that step.

- Save a baseline plan to compare with later versions
- Prepare to track the progress of your project
- Incorporate progress information into the project
- Check the progress of the project
- Make changes to the project
- Track risks and issues associated with this project
- Request text-based status reports
- Publish project information to the Web

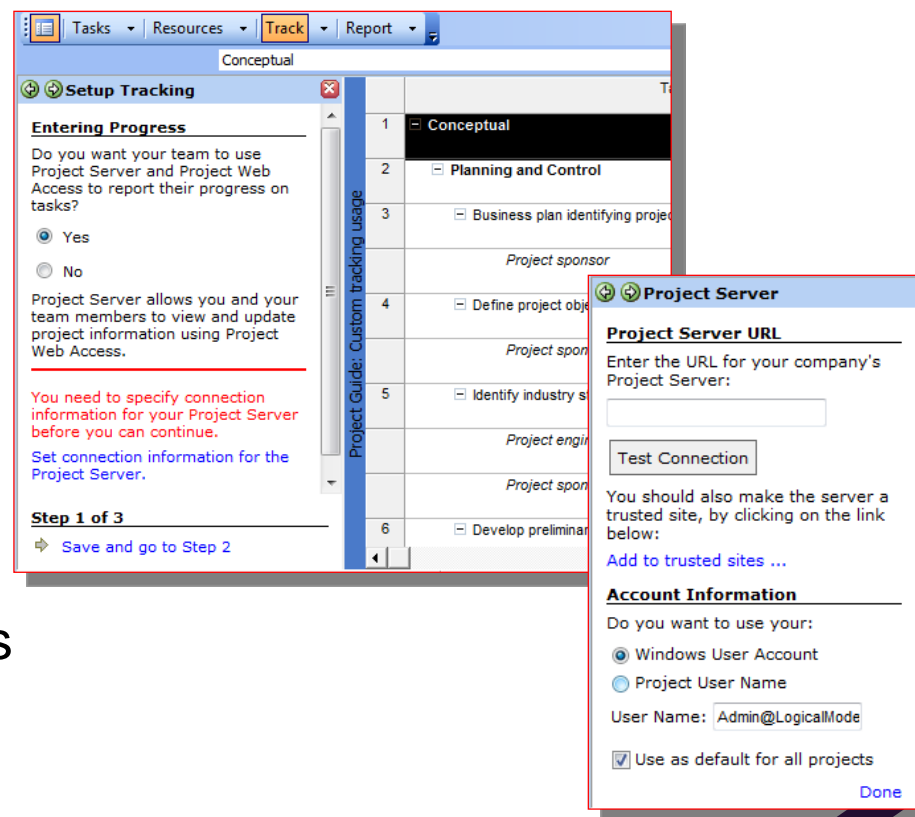
To look at different views and reports of project information, you can go to the [Report](#) area.

- But you are better off knowing how to configure the views yourself

Centralised or Distributed Data-Entry

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- Project Server and Web Access allow team members to submit timesheet data
 - Integrated into plans for approval and then 'locked'
 - Limited capability via eMail (MAPI) also useful
 - Has to be downloaded from Microsoft® Office® Web-site
- Collected information may be entered centrally
 - Not really an 'administrative function' due to MSPJ's complexity and need to revise assignments and allocations





Information To Track

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- Data entered can be time based or work based
- Time/ Duration tracking uses:
 - % Complete (of duration),
 - Actual and remaining duration
 - Actual Start/ Finish – Start requires a %age while Finish = 100%
- Work based tracking uses:
 - Actual work complete and remaining
 - % Work Complete
 - Independently track Physical % Complete for EV
 - Time-phased work complete





Amounts Are Recalculated & Tasks Rescheduled

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- Any data tracked (and planned) at a 'higher' level (EG Task) is spread across lower levels (EG Assigned Resources)
 - Data entered at lower levels (EG Time-phased assignment) is aggregated
 - % Complete is spread across task duration OR spread up-to status date
Tools / Options / Calculate / Edits to total task % complete will be spread to the status date
- Remaining work subject to Task-Type and Work, Resource, Duration rules
- By default tracking with %complete (of duration) calculates actual cost and work
 - Recalculates remaining cost and work
 - To manually enter actual and remaining cost and work
Clear *Tools / Options / Calculation / Updating task status updates resource status*
 - Often useful for control of what actually happened rather than was planned





Task-Type Rules Apply To Tracking

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- A 1d duration, 8hrs work task has 12hrs left after 6hrs effort

Actual work:

Remaining work:

- Results reflected in Percentages and Units and Durations

Resource Usage

1

Resource Name

1d 8hr FW

1d 8hr FD-Ed

1d 8hr FU-Ed

1d 8hr FD

1d 8hr FU

Work

8 hrs

8 hrs

8 hrs

8 hrs

8 hrs

Details

01 Jan '01

S

M

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W

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F

Work

8h

Work

8h

Work

8h

Work

8h

Work

8h

WBS

Name

Resource Names

Effort Driver

Type

% Cmpl't

% Wk

1

1d 8hr FW

Staff

Yes

Fixed Work

0%

0%

2

1d 8hr FD-Ed

Staff

Yes

Fixed Duration

0%

0%

3

1d 8hr FU-Ed

Staff

Yes

Fixed Units

0%

0%

4

1d 8hr FD

Staff

No

Fixed Duration

0%

0%

5

1d 8hr FU

Staff

No

Fixed Units

0%

0%

01 Jan '01

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Staff

Staff

Staff

Staff

Staff

Resource Usage		Name	Work	Details						
				01 Jan '01						
				S	M	T	W	T	F	
		1d 8hr FW	18 hrs		8h	8h	2h			
		1d 8hr FD-Ed	18 hrs		6h					
		1d 8hr FU-Ed	18 hrs		18h					
		1d 8hr FD	18 hrs		8h	8h	2h			
		1d 8hr FU	18 hrs		6h					
					8h	8h	2h			
					6h					

WBS	Name	Resource Name	Effort Driver	Type	% Cmpl	% Wk
1	1d 8hr FW	Staff	Yes	Fixed Work	33%	33%
2	1d 8hr FD-Ed	Staff[600%]	Yes	Fixed Duration	75%	33%
3	1d 8hr FU-Ed	Staff	Yes	Fixed Units	33%	33%
4	1d 8hr FD	Staff[600%]	No	Fixed Duration	75%	33%
5	1d 8hr FU	Staff	No	Fixed Units	33%	33%

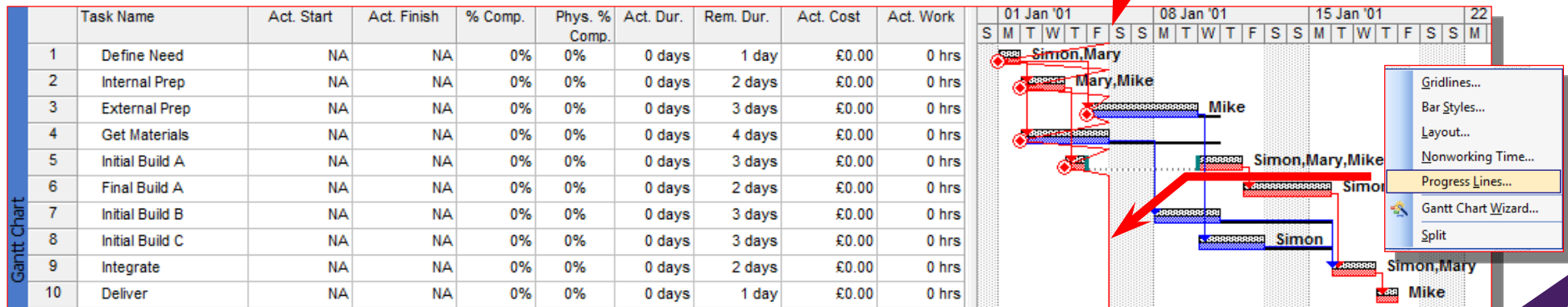
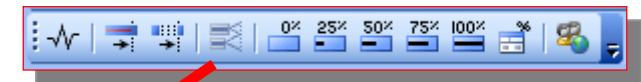
		01 Jan '01						
		S	M	T	W	T	F	



Preparing to Track

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- Turn on the Tracking Tool-Bar if tracking at task level
 - % buttons assume “to plan”
 - Select table tracking, show baseline and show progress lines
 - By default a grey line is drawn at “Current Date”
 - Useful to set a Progress Line at Status date





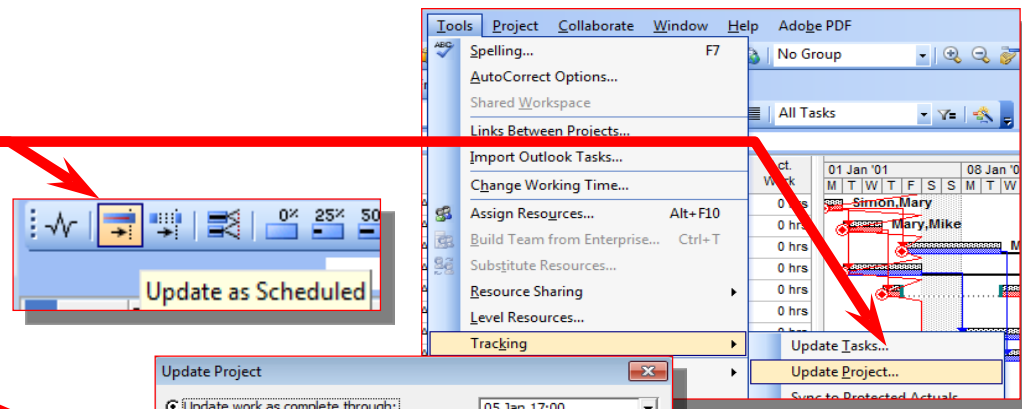
Tracking Choices – Crude: Project Level

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- All to plan? Then let MSPJ update whole project as scheduled!
 - Perhaps unlikely!

- Options for *Update Project* allow tracking using 0% 100% or time-based %-complete

- Tasks not completed can be re-scheduled after a defined date



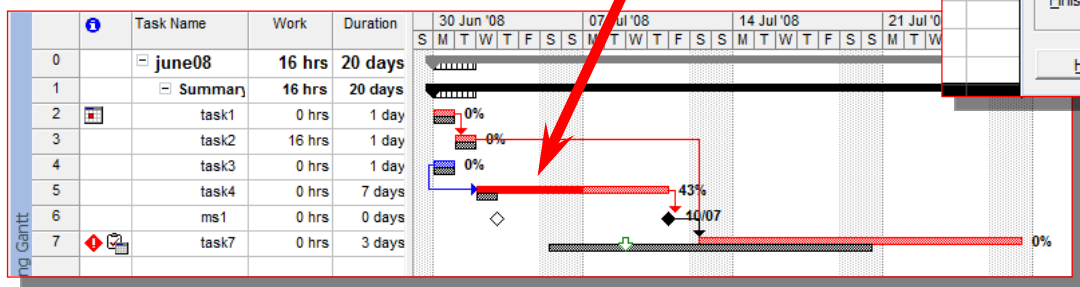
Task Name	Act. Start	Act. Finish	% Comp.	Phys. % Comp.	Act. Dur.	Rem. Dur.	Act. Cost	Act. Work
Define Need	01 Jan 08:00	01 Jan 17:00	100%	0%	1 day	0 days	£160.00	16 hrs
Internal Prep	02 Jan 08:00	03 Jan 17:00	100%	0%	2 days	0 days	£320.00	32 hrs
External Prep	05 Jan 08:00	NA	33%	0%	1 day	2 days	£80.00	8 hrs
Get Materials	02 Jan 08:00	05 Jan 17:00	100%	0%	4 days	0 days	£0.00	0 hrs
Initial Build A	04 Jan 08:00	NA	33%	0%	1 day	2 days	£240.00	24 hrs
Final Build A	NA	NA	0%	0%	0 days	2 days	£0.00	0 hrs
Initial Build B	NA	NA	0%	0%	0 days	3 days	£0.00	0 hrs
Initial Build C	NA	NA	0%	0%	0 days	2 days	£0.00	0 hrs

– Applies a global rig

Tracking At Task Level With Durations

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- Enter *Actual-Duration* and or *Remaining-Duration* and or *Start-Date Finish-Date*



Update Tasks

Name: task7 Duration: 3d

% Complete: 50% Actual dur: 1.5d Remaining dur: 1.5d

Actual Start: 05/07/08 Actual Finish: NA

Current Start: 05/07/08 Current Finish: 20/07/08

Help Notes... OK Cancel

- Suits plans created without resource assignments
 - Tracking *Work* is possible where the plan was created with resource assignments

NOTE: MSPJ changes *Current* to match *Actual* when tracked.
(Variances are only calculated against *Baseline*)
MSPJ also calculates %complete from Dates

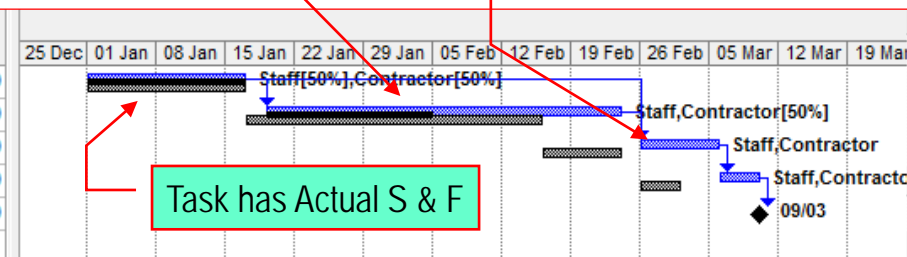


Tracking Tasks: Actual Start & Finish Dates

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- Set a task's Actual Start and a %Complete
 - Actual Finish sets % Complete to 100%
 - Suits tasks NOT planned with resources
- *"Current" Start (or Finish) Date* really means 'Expected...'
 - Original (previous) can be saved into a Baseline
 - Variances are calculated as 'Expected' – Baseline
- Future 'Current' shows affect of progress to date

Task Name	Actual Duration	Baseline Dur.	Actual Start	Baseline Start	Actual Finish	Baseline Finish	Actual Work	Baseline Work	Actual Cost	Baseline Cost
31 Outline Design	12 days	12 days	01 Jan	01 Jan	16 Jan	16 Jan	96 hrs	80 hrs	£480	£0
32 Detail Design Units A & B	11 days	22 days	19 Jan	17 Jan	NA	15 Feb	88 hrs	208 hrs	£880	£0
33 Detailed Design Roads	0 days	6 days	NA	16 Feb	NA	23 Feb	0 hrs	48 hrs	£0	£0
34 Budget Request Prep	0 days	4 days	NA	26 Feb	NA	01 Mar	0 hrs	32 hrs	£0	£0
35 Budget Meeting	0 days	0 days	NA	01 Mar	NA	01 Mar	0 hrs	0 hrs	£0	£0
36										

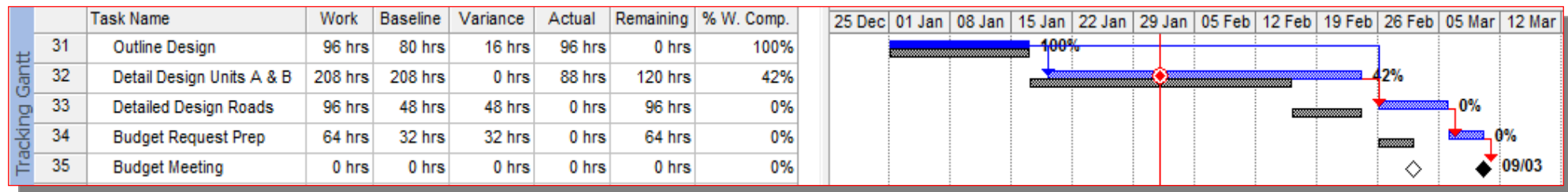




Tracking Task Work

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- Display *Task Usage* or *Tracking Gantt*
 - *Table Work*, Columns *Actual* and *Remaining* and *% W Comp.*
 - When *Actual* is entered *Remaining* and *% W Comp.* are recalculated
 - The value entered can be *% W Comp.*
 - Recalculation can be disabled by unchecking
Tools | Options | Calculation-Tab | Updating task status updates resource status



- Work entered at task-level is spread across assigned resources & spread across task duration or to status date
 - Work entered at Summary Task level is spread across included tasks

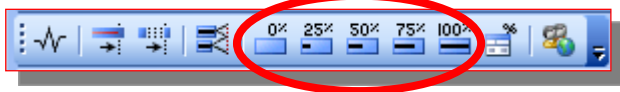




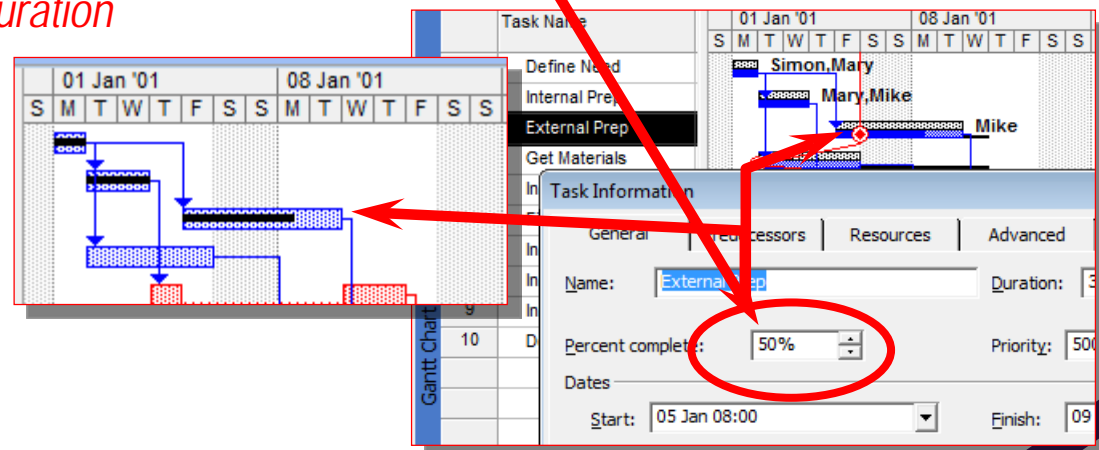
Tracking Choices: Using Percentages

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- Update of percentage can be at task or assignment level
- For task *View / More Views / Gantt Chart* then *View / Tables / Work* (or *Tracking*)
 - Use the Tracking toolbar



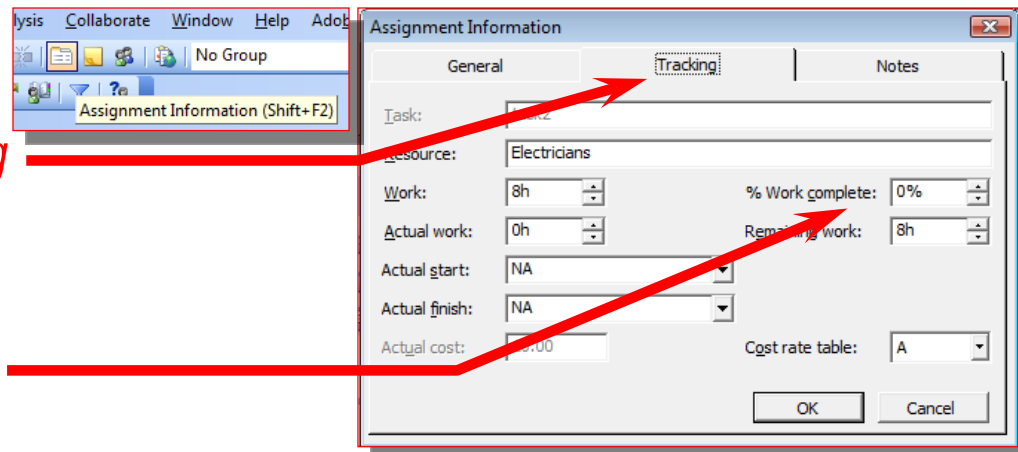
- Or *Task Information* then enter *Percent Complete*
 - *Percent Complete* is percent of *Duration*
- Progress shown on standard or *Tracking Gantt*
- *Tools / Options / Calculation / ...Spread evenly or to status date*



Tracking Percentages For Assignments

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- Tracking percentage via the assignments is a more detailed approach than percent duration of tasks
 - % Work Complete (as opposed to % Complete [of duration])
 - View / {Task,Resource} Usage* and select an assignment
 - The resource row for a task or task row for a resource
 - Which sheet to use reflects how status data is collected by {Task | Person}
- Double-Click* or select and click *Assignment Information / Tracking*
- Enter % Work Complete* by the specific resource on this task
 - Work is spread...
- Always set *Project / Project Information / Status Date* for the update date



Tracking Assignment Work Done and Remaining

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- Tracking work can be applied at 'whole assignment' level or time-phased
- Display *View / {Task, Resource} Usage*
 - For 'whole assignment' enter data to the table's columns or double-click and enter to the Assignment Information

	Task Name	Work	Baseline	Variance	Actual	Remaining	% W. Comp.	Details	30 Jun '08		
									M	T	
Task Usage	3 task2	16 hrs	16 hrs	0 hrs	7 hrs	9 hrs	44%	Work			16h
								Base. Work			16h
								Act. Work			7h
	Electricians	8 hrs	8 hrs	0 hrs	4 hrs	4 hrs	50%	Work			8h
								Base. Work			8h
								Act. Work			4h
	Cables	7 Meters	1 Meters	6 Meters	4 Meters	3 Meters	57%	Work (Meters)	0	1	3
								Base. Work (Meters)			1
								Act. Work (Meters)	0	1	3
	Bricklayers	8 hrs	8 hrs	0 hrs	3 hrs	5 hrs	38%	Work			8h
	Bricks	5 Pallets	5 Pallets	0 Pallets	0 Pallets	5 Pallets	0%	Base. Work			8h
								Act. Work			3h
								Work (Pallets)			5
								Base. Work (Pallets)			5
								Act. Work (Pallets)			
								Work			
								Base. Work			
								Act. Work			
								Work (Pallets)			
								Base. Work (Pallets)			

Assignment Information

General

Tracking

Notes

Task:

task2

Resource:

Electricians

Work:

8h

% Work complete:

0%

Actual work:

0h

Remaining work:

8h

Actual start:

NA

Actual finish:

NA

Actual cost:

£0.00

Cost rate table:

A

OK

Cancel

- The spreadsheet portion of the view gives control at time-phased level





Tracking Assignment Work

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- Work entered at assignment-level is
 - Spread across the tasks time-phasing (Duration or to status date)
 - Aggregated upwards for task reporting
- Display *Task Usage | Table Work*, Columns *Actual* and *Remaining*
 - Enter any of *Actual* and *Remaining* and *% W Comp.*
 - Recalculation of *% W Comp.* (or other values) is applied

	Task Name	Work	Baseline	Variance	Actual	Remaining	% W. Comp.	Details	01 Jan	08 Jan	15 Jan	22 Jan	29 Jan
Task Usage	39 Assignment	320 hrs	320 hrs	0 hrs	0 hrs	320 hrs	0%	Work	80h	80h	80h	80h	
	Contractor	160 hrs	160 hrs	0 hrs	0 hrs	160 hrs	0%	Act. W					
	Staff	160 hrs	160 hrs	0 hrs	0 hrs	160 hrs	0%	Work	40h	40h	40h	40h	
Task Usage	Contractor	160 hrs	160 hrs	0 hrs	100 hrs	60 hrs	63%	Work	40h	40h	40h	40h	
	Staff	160 hrs	160 hrs	0 hrs	0 hrs	160 hrs	0%	Act. W	40h	40h	20h		
								Work	40h	40h	40h	40h	
	Task Name	Work	Baseline	Variance	Actual	Remaining	% W. Comp.		01 Jan	08 Jan	15 Jan	22 Jan	29 Jan
	39 Assignment	320 hrs	320 hrs	0 hrs	100 hrs	220 hrs	31%						

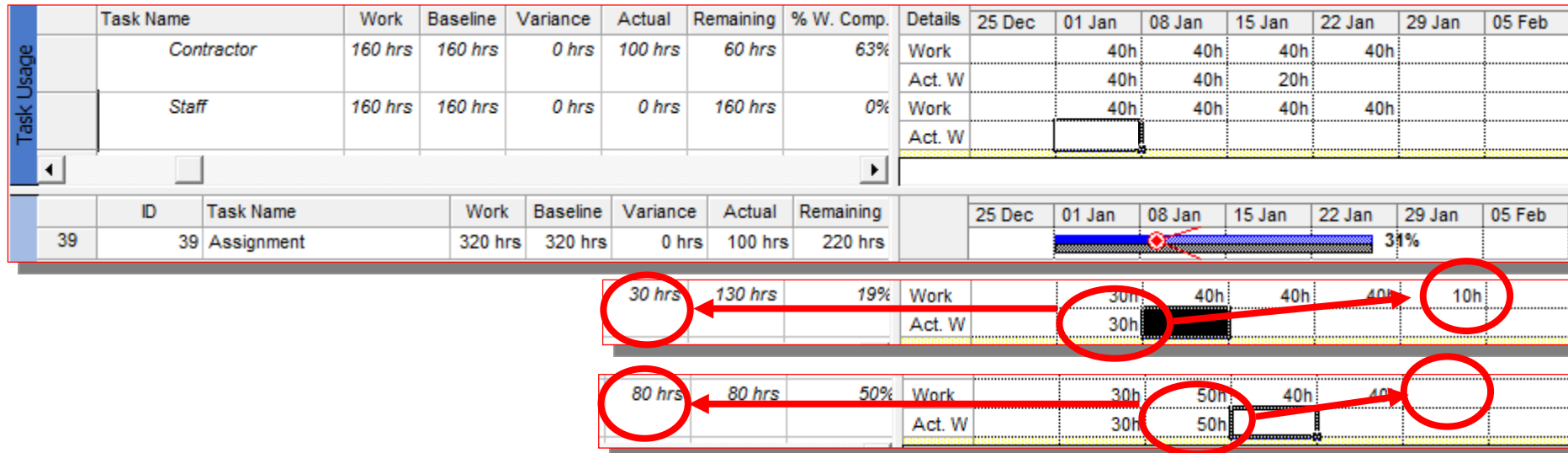




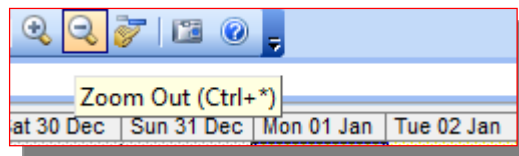
Tracking Assignment Work: Time-Phased

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- Data tracked as time-phased entries gives most control
 - Project Web Access shares burden with team when submitting time-sheets



- Set granularity by zooming (or editing time-scales)





Work Translates Into Duration

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- How tracking actual results affects what is remaining depends on Task-Type
 - Progress ahead of expectation reduces future work-load
- FW task with extra work done on day 2
 - Duration reduced on Day 4

Task Name	% Comp.	Phys. % Comp.	Act. Dur.	Rem. Dur.	Act. Cost	Act. Work	Details	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F
7 4d Dur before reso	35%	0%	1.39 days	2.61 days	£1,670.00	167 hrs	Work				120h	120h	120h	120h	
							Act. W				120h	47h			
8 FW	35%	0%	1.39 days	2.61 days	£334.00	33.4 hrs	Work				24h	24h	24h	24h	
							Act. W				24h	9.4h			
R1					£111.33	11.13 hrs	Work				8h	8h	8h	8h	
							Act. W				8h	3.13h			
R2					£111.33	11.13 hrs	Work				8h	8h	8h	8h	
							Act. W				8h	3.13h			
R3					£111.33	11.13 hrs	Work				8h	8h	8h	8h	
							Act. W				8h	3.13h			

Task-Type set to Fixed Work

8 FW	41%	0%	1.65 days	2.35 days	£422.67	42.27 hrs	Work				24h	28h	24h	20h	
							Act. W				24h	18.27h			
R1					£200.00	20 hrs	Work				8h	12h	8h	4h	
							Act. W				8h	12h			
R2					£111.33	11.13 hrs	Work				8h	8h	8h	8h	
							Act. W				8h	3.13h			
R3					£111.33	11.13 hrs	Work				8h	8h	8h	8h	
							Act. W				8h	3.13h			

Task-Type set to Fixed Work





Work Hours Recalculated

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- FD task with extra work done on day 2
 - Day 3 & 4 work-load reduced evenly

Task Usage	10	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FD	35%	0%	1.39 days	2.61 days	£334.00	33.4 hrs	Work				24h	24h	24h	24h
		R1					£111.33	11.13 hrs	Act. W				24h	9.4h		
		R2					£111.33	11.13 hrs	Work				8h	8h	8h	8h
		R3					£111.33	11.13 hrs	Act. W				8h	3.13h		
Task Usage	10	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FD	41%	0%	1.65 days	2.35 days	£422.67	42.27 hrs	Work				24h	28h	22h	22h
		R1					£200.00	20 hrs	Act. W				24h	11.27h		
		R2					£111.33	11.13 hrs	Work				8h	12h	6h	6h
		R3					£111.33	11.13 hrs	Act. W				8h	12h		
Task Usage									Work				8h	8h	8h	8h
									Act. W				8h	3.13h		
									Work				8h	8h	8h	8h
									Act. W				8h	3.13h		

Task-Type set to Fixed Duration





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- 14hrs entered at assignment level:
 - Spread across time-phase
 - Aggregated upwards

- 3, 3 and 3hrs entered at time-phase assignment level:
 - Aggregated to 9hrs at assignment
 - 9hr also then aggregated upwards into task's 29

- Duration and work now extends into next week compared // to baseline

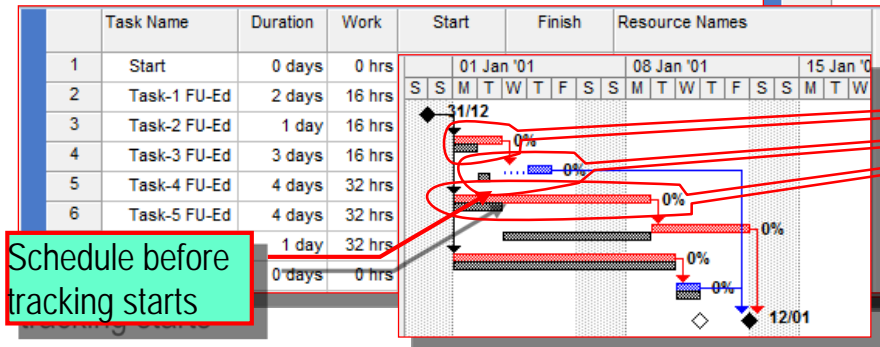
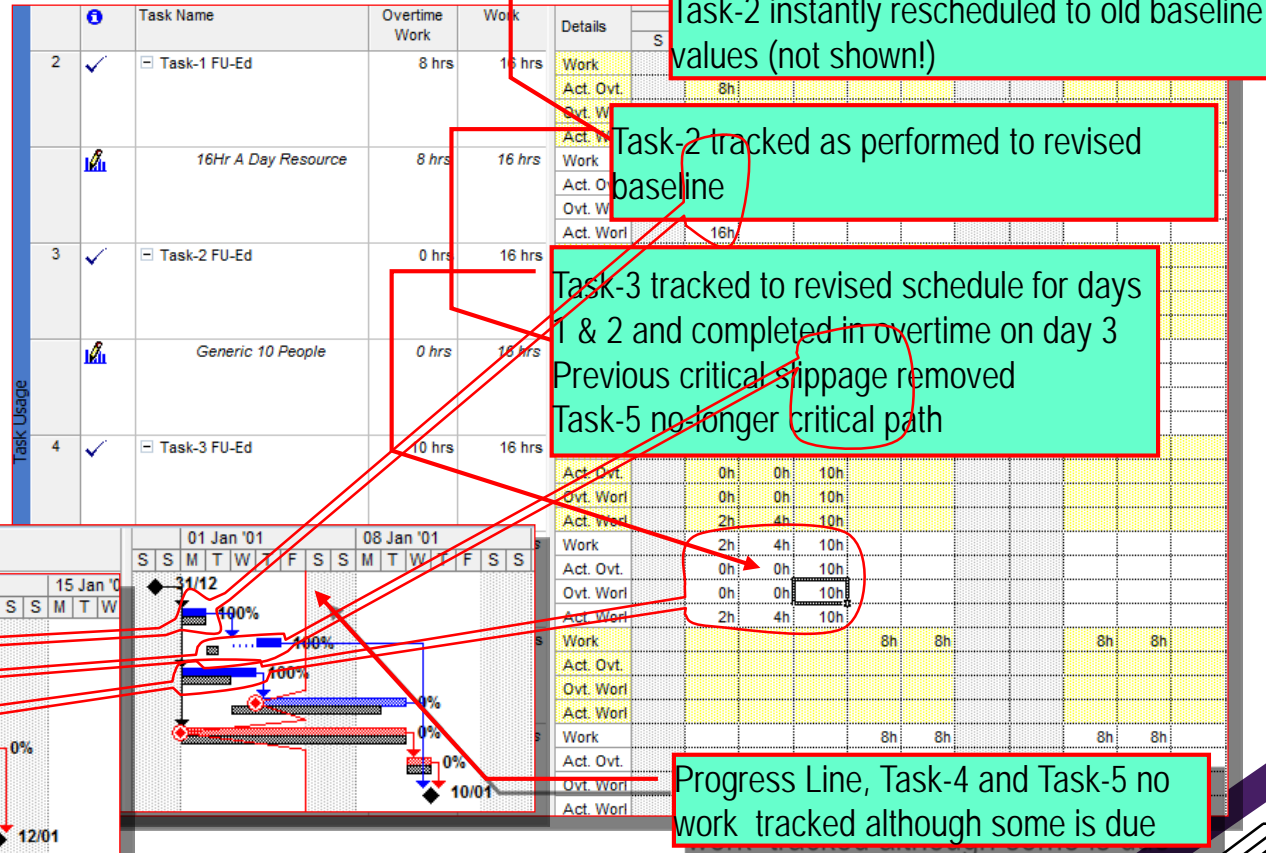
7	4d Dur before reso	0%	0%	0 days	4 days	£0.00	0 hrs	Work				120h	120h	120h	120h		
8	FW	0%	0%	0 days	4 days	£0.00	0 hrs	Work				24h	24h	24h	24h		
	R1					£0.00	0 hrs	Work				8h	8h	8h	8h		
	R2					£0.00	0 hrs	Work				8h	8h	8h	8h		
	R3					£0.00	0 hrs	Work				8h	8h	8h	8h		



Recap: Tracking Assignment Actual Work 2/5

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- Project status updates after each entry (by default)
- Usage sheets (Task or Resource) give finest control
 - Progress tracking at task & complete level often sufficient
 - EV best tracked with *Physical % Complete*

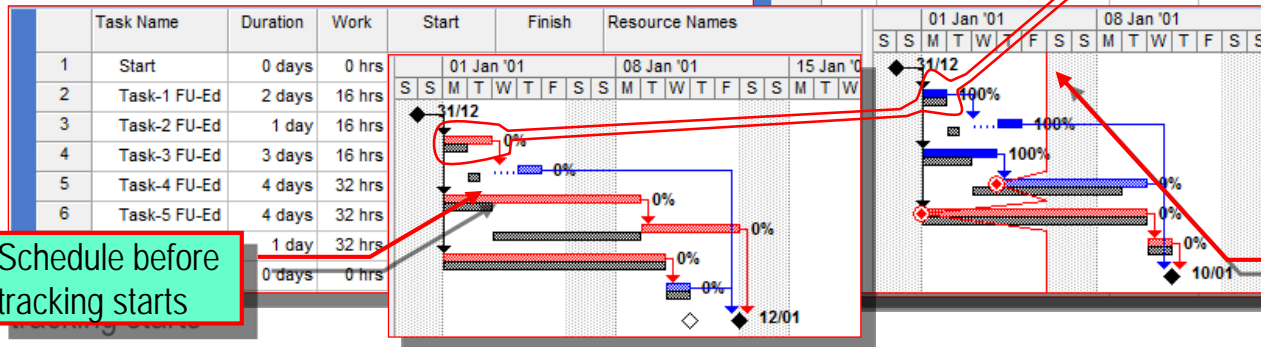
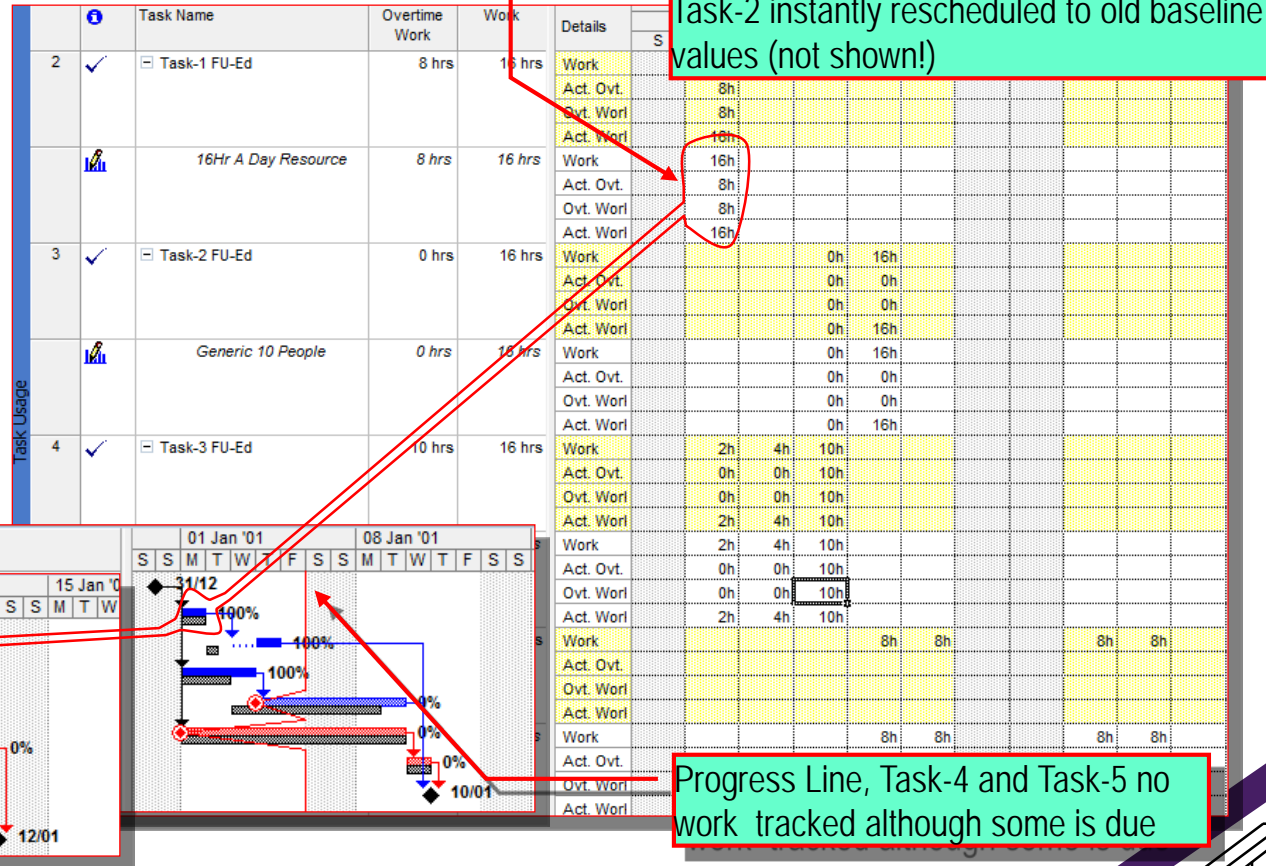




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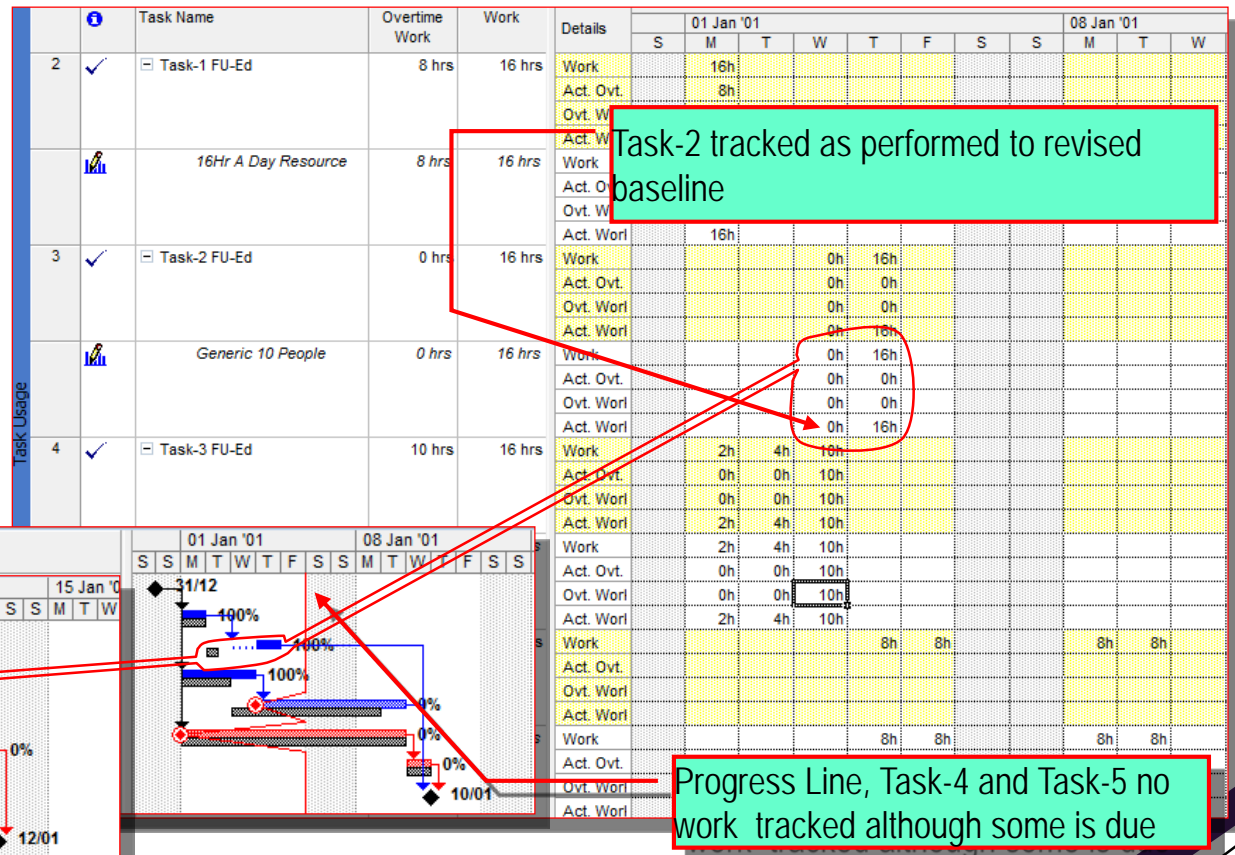
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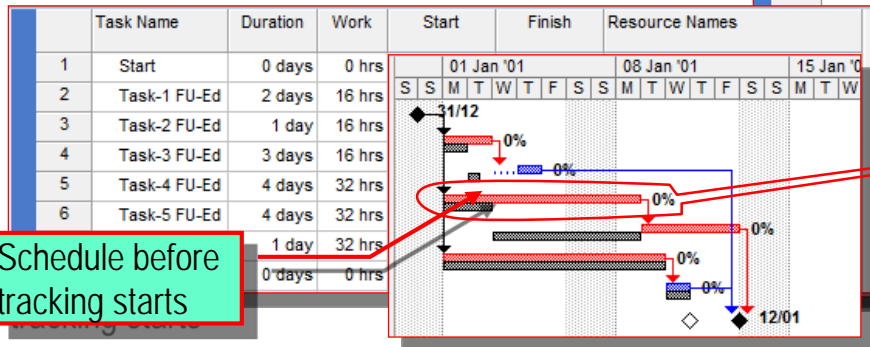
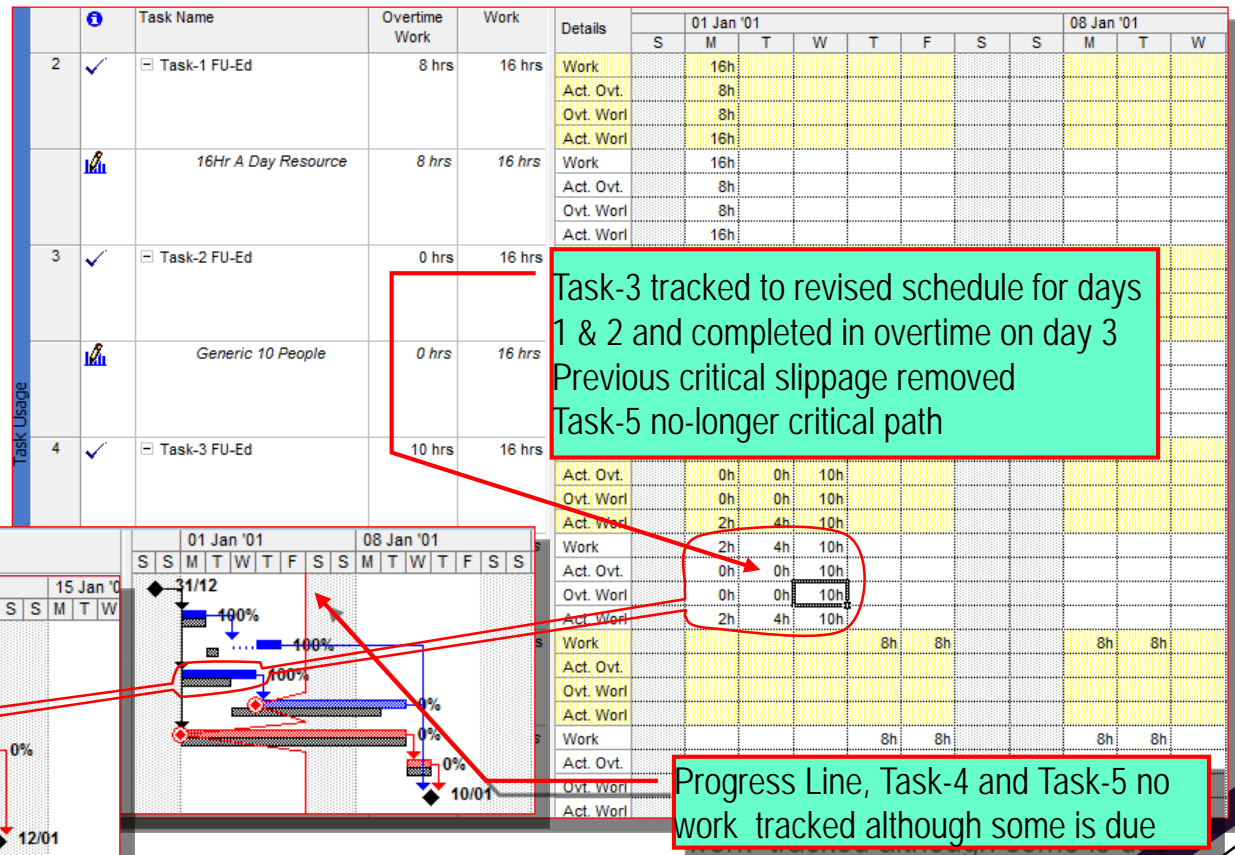




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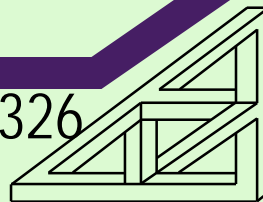
Contents: Tracking Costs

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Tracking Costs

- Status, Filters and amending the plan's contents
- Using Earned Value
- MSPJ capabilities for data reporting, exporting and exchanging



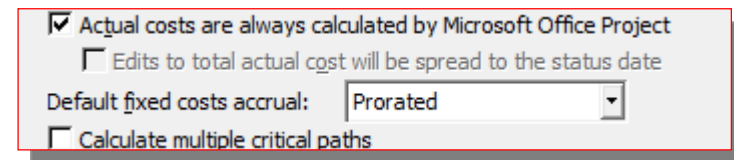
- Determine cost to the organisation of project activities
 - Best if drawn from finance system
 - PM often has to record data themselves ☹️
- Record staff-time from time-recording systems
- Record materials and stores used
- Other direct expenses
 - EG travel, subsistence, consultancy, sub-contractors, legal fees
- If booking systems are not used honestly then all reporting and future estimating is compromised
 - NEVER disincentives the accurate recording of task hours and materials
 - Even if the news is unwelcome



Tracking Costs

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- Task + Resource = Assignment
 - Assignment * Rates = Cost
 - \sum (Time-phased costs = cash-flow and cumulative costs)
- By default costs are calculated from resources used
 - Turned off by *Tools / Options / Calculation-Tab / Actual Costs Are Always calculated....*
 - Costs can now be manually entered
 - Entered costs are spread across task duration or to status date
- If MSPJ is calculating variable costs then cost entry is restricted
 - *Costs can be edited on completed task*
- Task costs entered via *View / Task Usage, View / table / Cost*
 - Assignment costs entered via *Format / Details / Actual Cost* (or Right-Click)



Cost Entry

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- If MSPJ calculates costs then
 - Fixed costs can be entered for a task (not assignments)

Task Usage	3	Task Name	Cost	Fixed Cost	% Complete	Details		
						T	F	S
		Business plan identifying proj	£4,500.00	£500.00	0%	Work	8h	8h
						Cost	£900.00	£900.00
						Act. Cost		
		Project sponsor	£4,000.00			Work	8h	8h
						Cost	£800.00	£800.00
						Act. Cost		

- ONLY when the task is complete can Act(ual). Cost be edited

Task Usage	3	Task Name	Cost	Fixed Cost	% Complete	Details			04 Jan '04						
						T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T		
	✓	Business plan identifying proj	£4,890.00	£500.00	100%	Work	8h	8h		8h	8h	8h			
						Cost	£1,290.00	£900.00	£0.00	£0.00	£900.00	£900.00	£900.00		
						Act. Cost	£1,290.00	£900.00	£0.00	£0.00	£900.00	£900.00	£900.00		
		Project sponsor	£4,390.00			Work	8h	8h		8h	8h	8h			
						Cost	£1,190.00	£800.00	£0.00	£0.00	£800.00	£800.00	£800.00		
						Act. Cost	£1,190.00	£800.00	£0.00	£0.00	£800.00	£800.00	£800.00		

- When costs are manually entered time-phased cells allow entry
 - Entered costs are aggregated upwards

Task Usage	3	Task Name	Cost	Fixed Cost	% Complete	Details		
						T	F	S
		Business plan identifying proj	£5,190.00	£0.00	0%	Work	8h	8h
						Cost	£1,990.00	£800.00
						Act. Cost	£1,190.00	
		Project sponsor	£5,190.00			Work	8h	8h
						Cost	£1,990.00	£800.00
						Act. Cost	£1,190.00	



Cost Fields

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- Tracking cost actually incurred may require turning MSPJ calculation off

- Alternatively define a material cost of Currency to assign to tasks

- All costs should be track-able via the resource units actually used

- See Help / Table Of Contents / Reference / Field reference / Cost (Task Field) Edits to Total Cost Will be Spread...

Actual Cost fields

The Actual Cost fields show costs incurred for work already performed by resources on their tasks, along with any other recorded costs associated with the task. The timephased versions of these fields show values distributed over time.

There are several categories of Actual Cost fields.

Data Type Currency

▼ Actual Cost (task field)

Entry Type Calculated or entered

How Calculated Until actual work is reported on a task, the Actual Cost field contains 0.00. You can choose to have Microsoft Office Project 2003 calculate all the actual costs as actual work is reported by each resource assigned to the task. This is the cost of actual work plus any fixed costs for the task to date. How and when actual costs are calculated depend on the assigned Standard Rate, Overtime Rate, Per Use Cost, and Cost accrual settings in the **Resource Information** dialog box.

Actual Cost = (Actual Work * Standard Rate) + (Actual Overtime Work * Overtime Rate) + Resource Per Use Costs + Task Fixed Cost

Best Uses Add the Actual Cost field to a task view to review the results of this field while a task is in progress to see if you're staying within your budget information after the project is completed to help you plan costs for future tasks.

Example You're tracking costs on a task that has a 10-hour duration. The resource has reported that the task is 50 percent complete so far is \$100. When the task is 100 percent complete, the actual cost so far is \$100.

Remarks You can specify whether you want to enter actual costs or have Project calculate them for you. On the **Tools** menu, click **Options**, and then click the **Calculation costs are always calculated by Microsoft Office Project** check box. If you select this option, costs you've already entered will be cleared. By default, this option is selected, Project will not calculate any actual cost values. However, if you choose to have Project calculate actual costs until the task is 100 percent complete.

You can choose to enter actual costs or have Project calculate them for you for assignments and tasks on a timephased basis. In addition, you can see the start or end of the task or are prorated.

▶ Actual Cost (resource field)

▶ Actual Cost (assignment field)

▶ Actual Cost (task-timephased field)

▼ Actual Cost (resource-timephased field)

▶ Actual Cost (task-timephased field)

▼ Actual Cost (resource-timephased field)

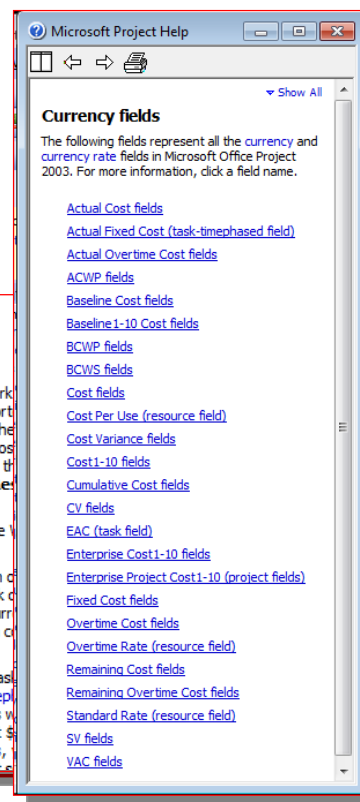
Entry Type Calculated

How Calculated If the resource has not yet reported any work on a task, the Actual Cost field contains 0.00. As actual work is reported on a task, Microsoft Office Project 2003 calculates the actual cost. This is the cost of actual work plus any per-use costs for the resource. How and when actual costs are calculated depend on actual work and actual overtime work performed and the assigned Standard Rate, Overtime Rate, Per Use Cost, and Cost accrual settings in the **Resource Information** dialog box.

Actual Cost = (Actual Work * Standard Rate) + (Actual Overtime Work * Overtime Rate) + Per Use Costs

Best Uses Add the Actual Cost field to the timephased portion of a task view to display the resulting expense of a resource's work on a task based on the resource's actual work, hourly rate, and other incurred costs. You can also use this information at the end of a project to help you plan costs for future projects.


Example Jamie, at \$10 per hour, is assigned to 15 different tasks on a project. You add the Actual Cost field to the timephased portion of the project. You might see timephased actual cost values such as \$80 (8 hours at \$10 each day worked). If Jamie is assigned at fewer assignment units, you might see actual cost values. If Jamie has worked any overtime, you might see



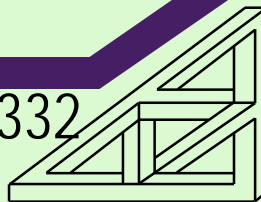
Contents: Status and Filters

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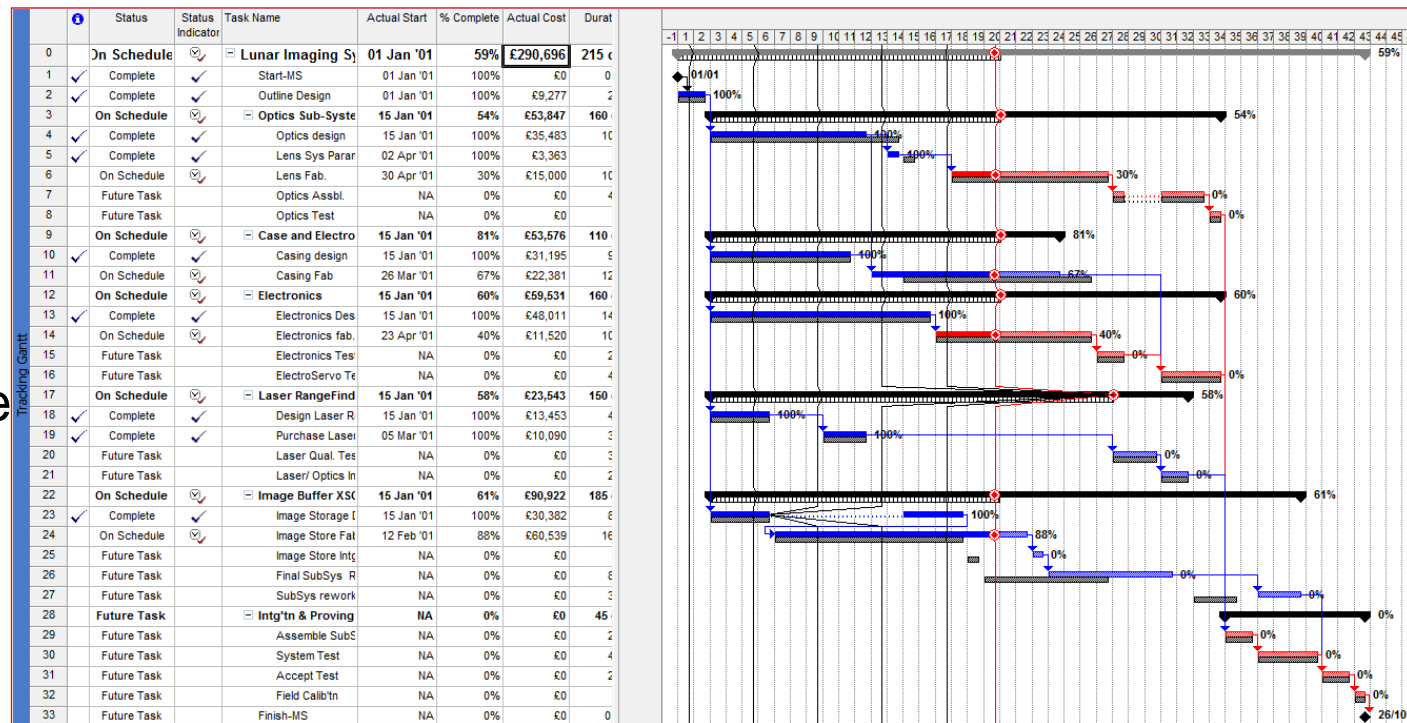
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Purpose Of Tracking Is To Displaying Status

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- Tracking information can be displayed in many ways
 - Useful for diagnosis during progress tracking
- Project status can be displayed as icons or text as assessed by MSPJ
- Variance to baseline shown graphically in Gantt-Charts
- Financial and resource variances are harder to detect
 - Use Earned Value (more shortly)
- Status is basis for adaptive, perfective or corrective actions



Achievement Minus Baseline = Variance

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- Baseline \pm Internal and External Change = Impact analysis
 - MSPJ says 'Planned Information' = 'Current baseline'
 - 'Actual' = Historically what has happened
 - 'Scheduled' = Actual plus Planned
 - 'Variance' = Scheduled minus Planned
- MSPJ Signs variances the OPPOSITE way around from EV ! ☹
 - "Remarks If the cost variance is negative, the cost for the assignment is currently under the budgeted, or baseline, amount. If the cost variance is positive, the cost for the assignment is currently over budget." sic
- Default Gantt *Variance Table* solely dates
 - Note: Variances in working days

	Task Name	Start	Finish	Baseline Start	Baseline Finish	Start Var.	Finish Var.
0	Engineering	05 Jan '04	10 May '06	01 Jan '04	08 May '06	2 days	2 days
1	Conceptual	05 Jan '04	23 Apr '04	01 Jan '04	21 Apr '04	2 days	2 days
2	Planning and	05 Jan '04	28 Jan '04	01 Jan '04	28 Jan '04	2 days	0 days
3	Business p	05 Jan '04	09 Jan '04	01 Jan '04	07 Jan '04	2 days	2 days
4	Define proj	15 Jan '04	23 Jan '04	08 Jan '04	14 Jan '04	5 days	7 days
5	Identify ind	13 Jan '04	15 Jan '04	15 Jan '04	21 Jan '04	-2 days	-4 days
6	Develop pr	13 Jan '04	18 Jan '04	15 Jan '04	21 Jan '04	-2 days	-3 days
7	Initial plann	21 Jan '04	21 Jan '04	21 Jan '04	21 Jan '04	0 days	0 days

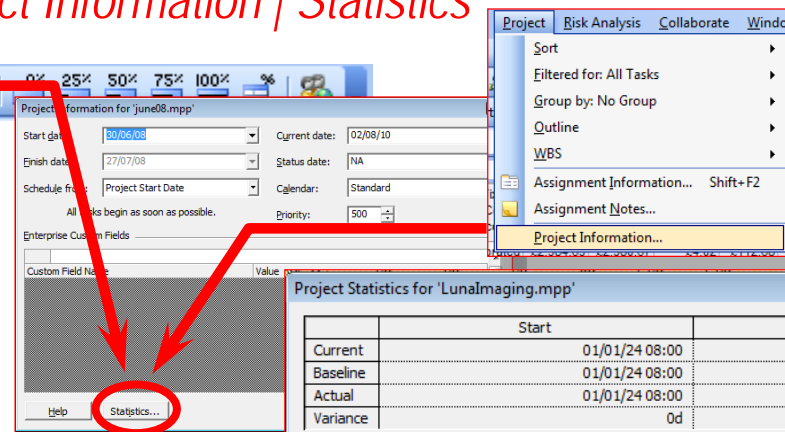
-ve variance on early completion



Project / Project Information / Statistics

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- Project status is shown in *Project / Project Information / Statistics* or *Tracking Toolbar / Statistics*



- Also the Project Summary task
Tools / Options / View-Tab / Show Project Sum...

Project Statistics for 'Lunamaging.mpp'

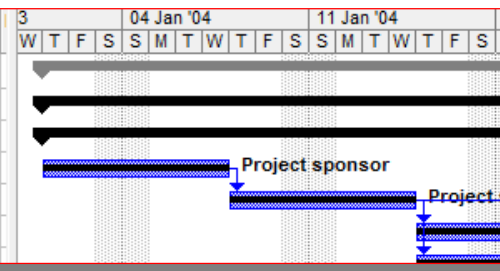
	Start	Finish
Current	01/01/24 08:00	08/11/24 17:00
Baseline	01/01/24 08:00	25/10/24 17:00
Actual	01/01/24 08:00	NA
Variance	0d	10d

	Duration	Work	Cost
Current	225d	685d	£398,347.50
Baseline	215d	680d	£394,984.20
Actual	138.59d	485d	£293,627.10
Remaining	86.41d	200d	£104,720.40

Percent complete:
Duration: 62% Work: 71%

Close

	Task Name	Cost	Duration	Start	Finish	Work	BCWP
0	[-] Engineering	£1,993,290.00	612.25 days	01 Jan '04	08 May '06	38,256 hrs	£17,000.00
1	[-] Conceptual	£164,440.00	80 days	01 Jan '04	21 Apr '04	3,536 hrs	£17,000.00
2	[-] Planning and Control	£1,190.00	20 days	01 Jan '04	28 Jan '04	600 hrs	£17,000.00
3	Business plan identifyir	£1,190.00	5 days	01 Jan '04	07 Jan '04	40 hrs	£4,000.00
4	Define project objective	£0.00	5 days	08 Jan '04	14 Jan '04	40 hrs	£4,000.00
5	Identify industry standa	£0.00	5 days	15 Jan '04	21 Jan '04	120 hrs	£6,500.00
6	Develop preliminary cor	£0.00	5 days	15 Jan '04	21 Jan '04	120 hrs	£2,500.00

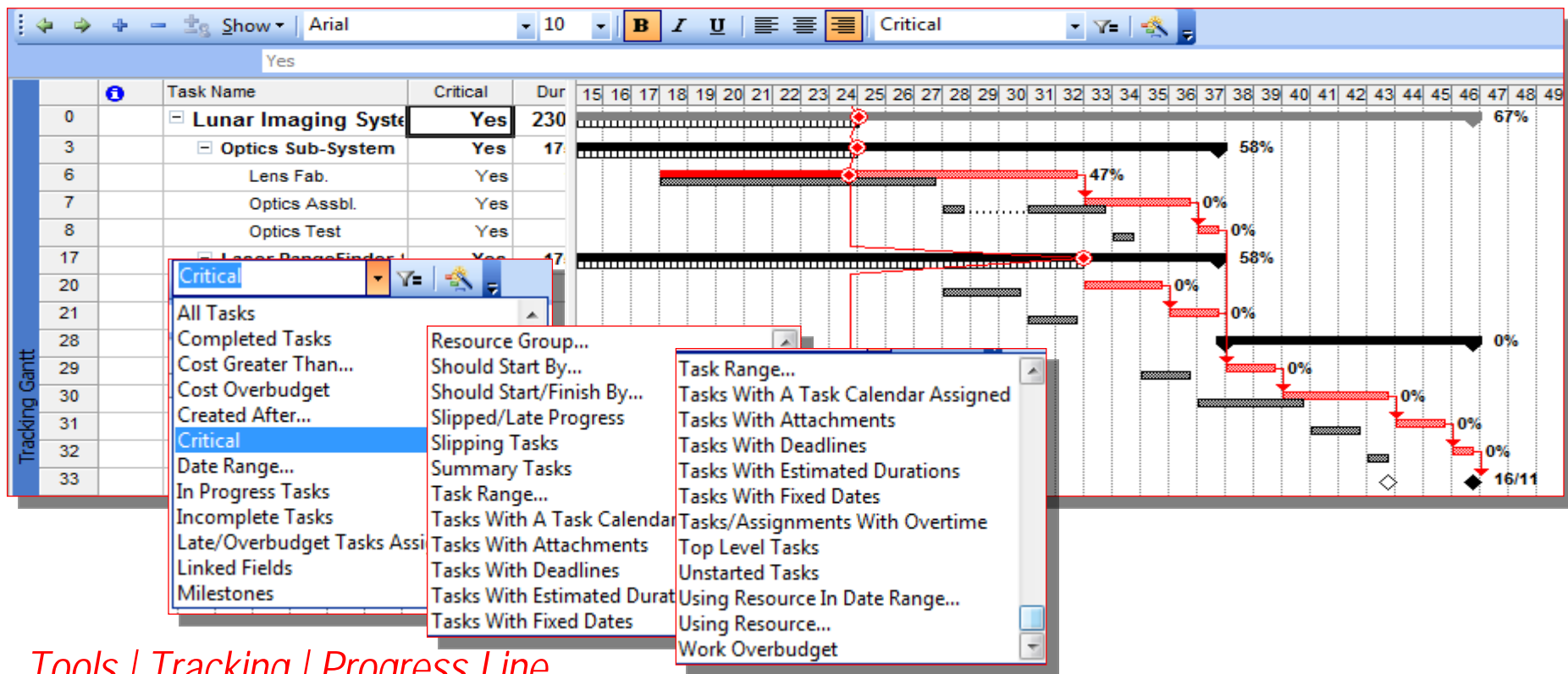




Filters Display Only a Subset

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- Primary place to monitor schedule must be the critical path
 - Some filters are useful in planning, some in tracking



- Tools / Tracking / Progress Line*





Using Filters: Replacing A Resource

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- Imagine: Bill is part way through some work when urgently reassigned
- Mary is to replace Bill
 - Filter for incomplete tasks
 - Select all and
Assign / Replace / Mary

The screenshot illustrates the process of replacing a resource in Microsoft Project. The main window shows a Gantt chart and a task list. A filter is applied to 'Incomplete Tasks'. The 'Assign Resources' dialog is open, showing 'Multiple tasks selected (2,3,4,5)'. The 'Replace Resource' dialog is also open, showing 'Replace: Bill' and 'With: Mary'. The 'Resources from ReplaceResource.mpp' list shows 'Bill' and 'Mary' with their respective units.

Task Name	Duration	Resource Name
ReplaceResource	10 days	
Task 1	2 days	Bill
Task 2	2 days	Bill
Task 3	2 days	Bill
Task 4	2 days	Bill
Task 5	2 days	Bill

Task Name	Work	Duration
ReplaceResource	80 hrs	10 days
Task 1	16 hrs	2 days
Task 2	16 hrs	2 days
Task 3	16 hrs	2 days
Task 4	16 hrs	2 days
Task 5	16 hrs	2 days

Task Name	Work	Duration
Task 2	16 hrs	2 days
Task 3	16 hrs	2 days
Task 4	16 hrs	2 days
Task 5	16 hrs	2 days

Resource Name	R/D	Units
Bill		100%
Mary		

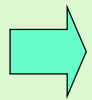
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Bill		100%
Mary		



Contents: Using Earned Value In MSPJ

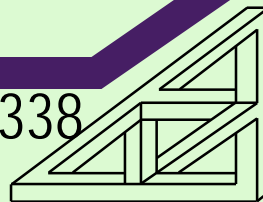
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Using Earned Value

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- EV only requires you have a project baseline with resource assignments and track actual progress
 - ‘Meaningful’ results possible using *Physical % Complete* to determine **BCWP**

Multiple Task Information

General | Predecessors | Resources | Advanced | Notes | Custom Fields

Name: Duration: ☐ Estimated

☐ Constrain task

Deadline:

Constraint type: Constraint date:

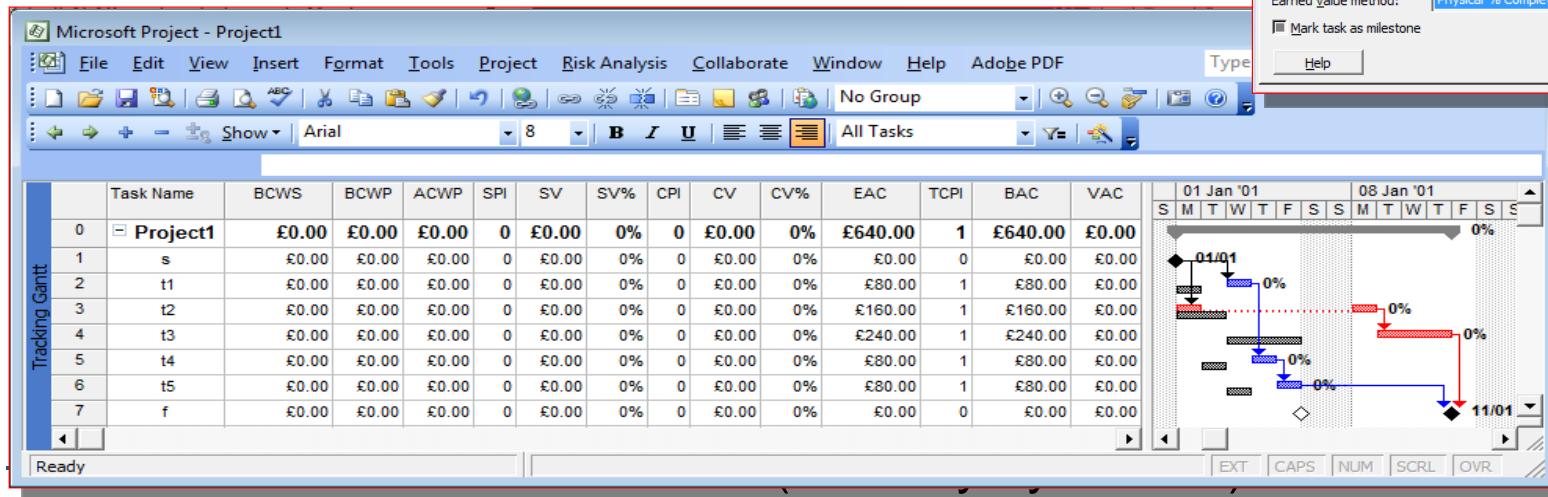
Task type: ☐ Effort driven

Calendar: ☐ Scheduling ignores resource calendars

WBS code:

Earned value method:

☐ Mark task as milestone



- **ACWP** calculated from task fixed costs and resource consumption

MSPJ Calculations of BCWP

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- MSPJ determines **BCWP** from %Complete and Status date

%C = 75%, BCWP = 120 ☺ BCWS = £160
Because Status date = 5th Jan

%C = 0%, BCWP = 0 BCWS = £80
Because Status date = 5th Jan ☺

%C = 50%, BCWP = 0 ☹
BCWP Because Status date = 5th Jan !

WBS code:

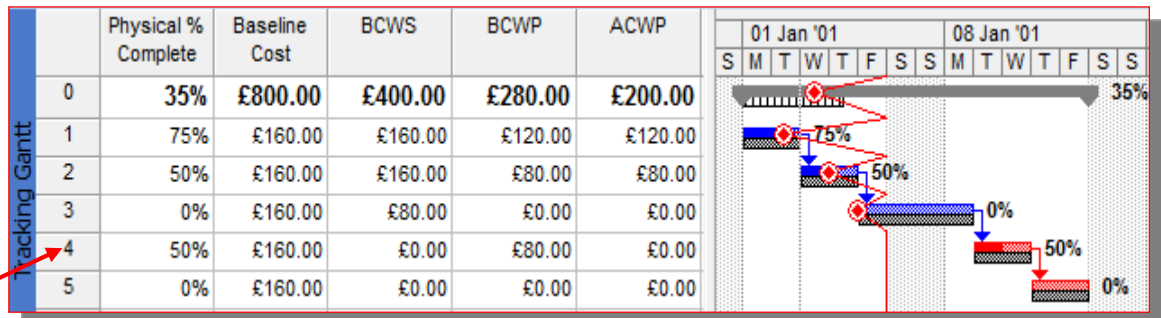
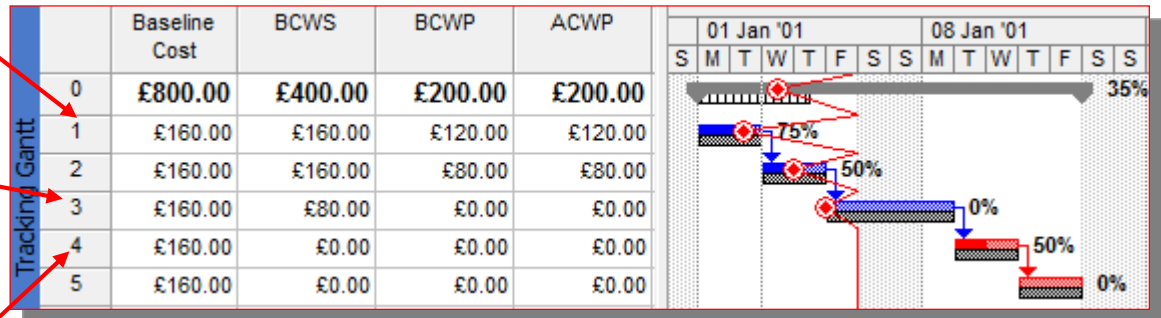
Earned value method:

Physical % Complete

☒ Mark task as milestone

Help

%C = 50%, BCWP = 80 ☺ BCWS = 0
BCWS from date & BCWP from EV method



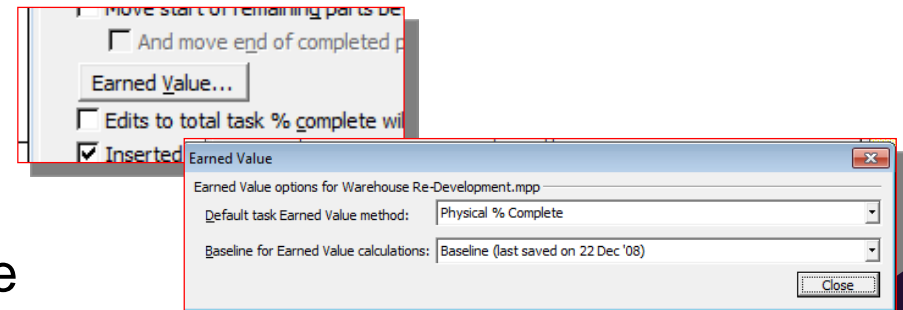
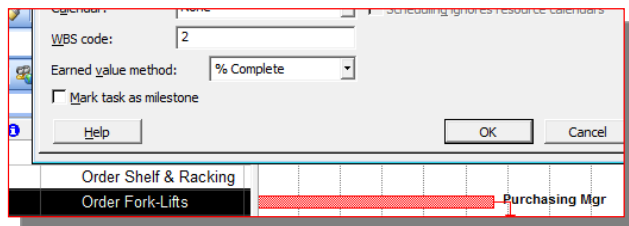
- May also be necessary to use manual cost calculations to get correct **ACWP**



How do we Earn Value?

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- Physical % Complete also allows use of EV Types
- Plan how we earn value for each activity
 - 0-100, 50-50 (or 25-75, 75-25, etc)
 - Percent complete, Weighted milestones
 - Percent complete with milestones
 - Apportioned effort and Level of effort (LOE)
 - Value is earned using the same method as was planned!
- Global default Tools | Options | Calculation



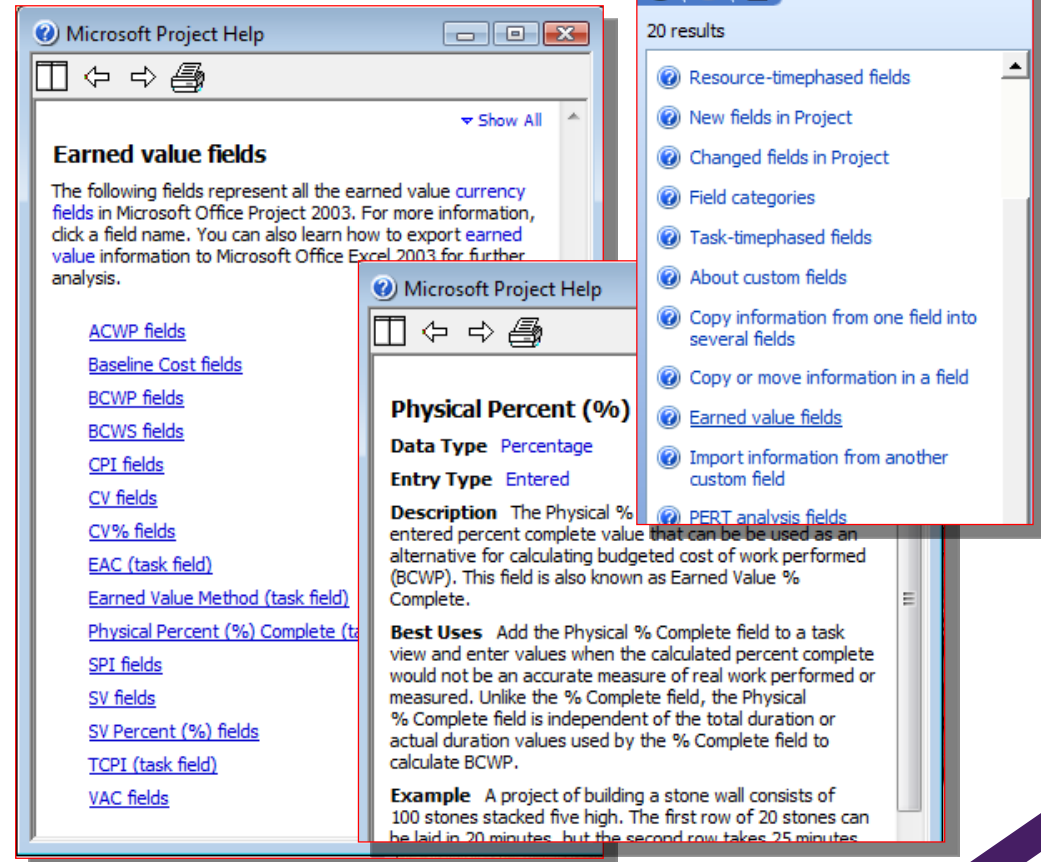
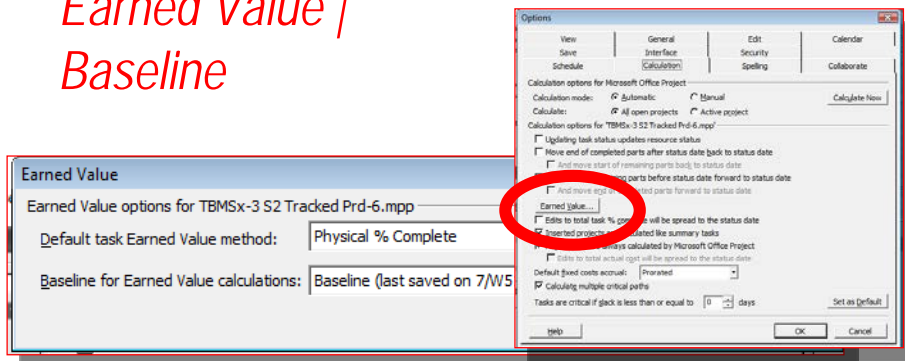
- Task setting on Task Information dialogue



Earned Value Fields

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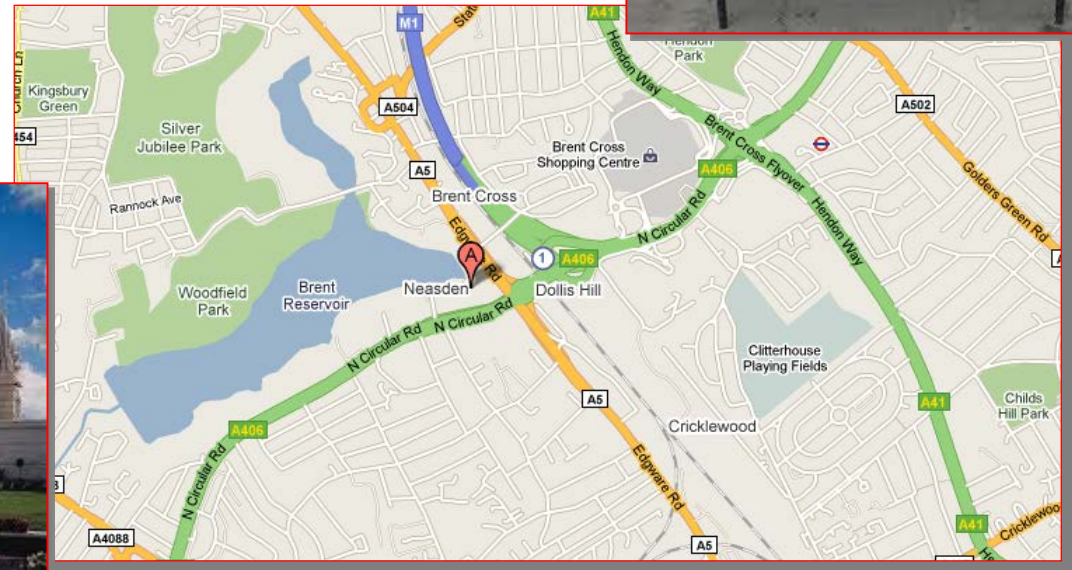
- EV in MSPJ doesn't require any extra work – its free!
 - Set up the costed assignments
 - Save a baseline
 - Track the results
- MSPJ generates EV whenever the above is done !
- EV Calculated against any baseline
Tools / Options / Calculation / Earned Value / Baseline



Neasden By-Pass

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- We are Road Builders Ltd.
- Our latest project will resurface 100 lane-miles of road-way around Neasden
 - We are scheduled to resurface 10miles per month
 - Road costs £1k per mile to resurface
 - There are no setup costs



Neasden By-Pass: Status Summary Months 1 through 5

We planned to have completed £10k of the budgeted work
We planned to have laid 10 miles of road, irrespective of what it actually cost to do it

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Project	Plan	Status			
	Budgeted Cost of Work Scheduled (BCWS) Cumulative	We've spent £8k			
		Actual Cost of Work Performed (ACWP)		Budgeted Cost of Work Performed (BCWP)	
		In Period	Cumulative	In Period	Cumulative
Month 1	10 miles 10k	8k	8k	6 miles	6k
Month 2	20 miles 20k	12k	20k	8 miles	14k
Month 3	30k	8k	28k		
Month 4	40k	19k	47k	10 miles	31k
Month 5		13k			
etc					

We have completed £6k of the planned work
We have actually done 6 miles

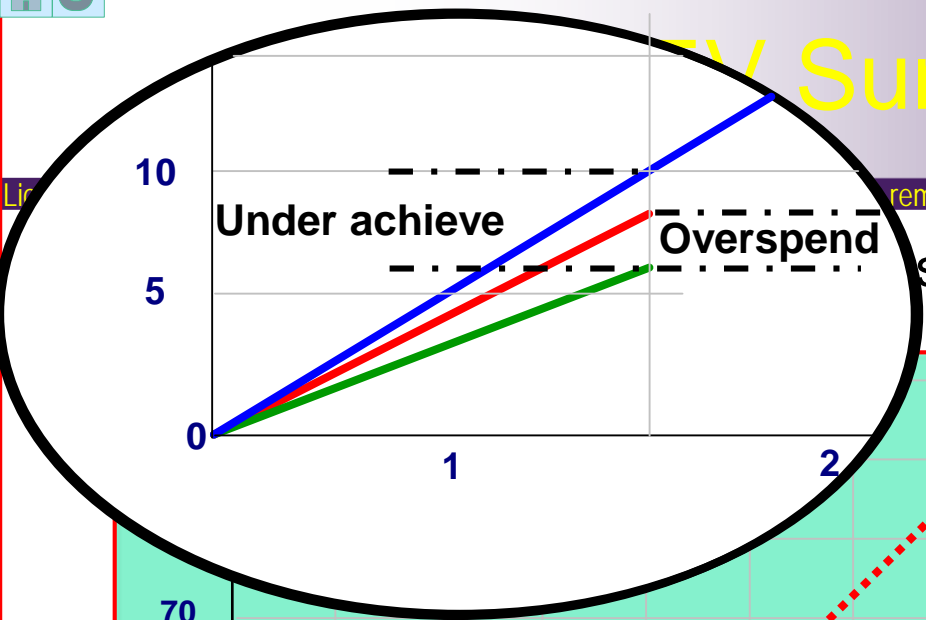
6 miles completed of 10 miles
60% of scheduled progress

8k paid 6 miles done
130% of budgeted cost

We planned to have done 10 miles of road, but we've actually laid 6 miles, and its cost us £8k to do it

Summary Months 1 through 5

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Costs incurred 8k: ? Current Status?

Cost Variance At Completion (if systematic)

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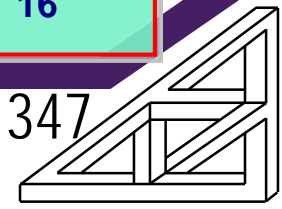
BCWS or Plan (PMB)

Time Variance At Completion (if systematic)

Spent ! ACWP

Achieved BCWP

Months

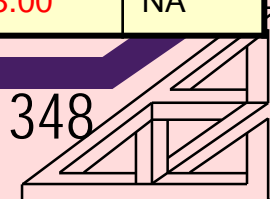




Practice Worksheet: Duplicate the Project Status Reporting

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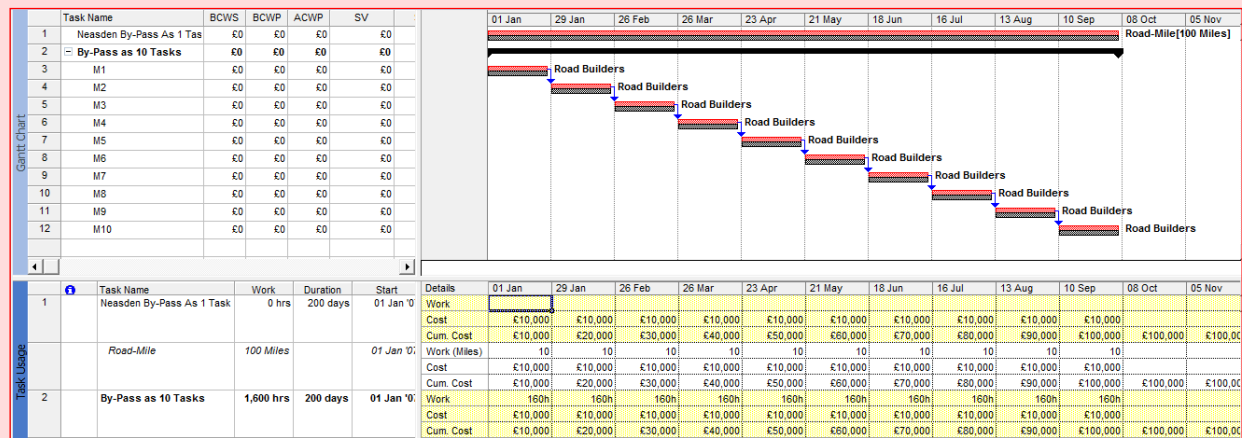
Project	Plan	Status		Performance Indicators						Forecast			
	BCWS	ACWP	BCWP	CV	CPI	CV%	SV	SPI	SV%	EAC1 (CPI)	CPI* SPI	EAC2 (CS)	TCPI
Mth 1	10k	8k	6k	-2k	0.75	-33%	-4k	0.6	-40%	133.3k	0.45	216.9k	1.02
Mth 2	20k	20k	14k	-6k	0.7	-43%	-6k	0.7	-30%	142.86	0.49	195.51	1.08
Mth 3	30k	28k	21k	-7	0.75	-33%	-9	0.7	-30%	133.33	0.53	178.48	1.10
Mth 4	40k	47k	31k	-16	0.66	-52%	-9	0.78	-23%	151.61	0.51	181.98	1.30
Mth 5	50k	60k	40k	-20	0.67	-50%	-10	0.80	-20%	150.00	0.53	172.5	1.50
Mth 6	60k	72k	51k	-21	0.71	-41%	-9	0.85	-15%	141.18	0.60	153.38	1.75
Mth 7	70k	84k	58k	-26	0.69	-45%	-12	0.83	-17%	144.83	0.57	157.41	2.63
Mth 8	80k	95k	67k	-28	0.71	-42%	-13	0.84	-16%	141.79	0.59	150.87	6.60
Mth 9	90k	106k	78k	-28	0.74	-36%	-12	0.87	-13%	135.9	0.64	140.50	NA
Mth 10	100k	117k	82k	-35	0.70	-43%	-18	0.82	-18%	142.68	0.57	148.32	NA
Mth 11	100k	128k	94k	-34	0.73	-36%	-6	0.94	-6%	136.17	0.69	136.69	NA
Mth 12	100k	140k	100k	-40	0.71	-40%	0	1.00	0	140.00	0.71	140.00	NA
Mth 13	100k	143k	100k	-43	0.70	-43%	0	1.00	0	143.00	0.70	143.00	NA



Neasden By-Pass in MSPJ

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- To track the work in MSPJ requires determining how to set-up the project
- Regular progress expected per month
 - So a month is constant number of days: 4 weeks rather than Jan, Feb, ...
 - Each month could be a separate task or the project could be one big task
 - Resource consumed could be 'Miles of Road' or labour units
- Duration is 10mths * 4 Weeks * 5 days = 200 work days
 - 200d at 8 Std. hrs/ day = 1,600 work units
 - $\text{£}100,000 / 200\text{d} = 500/\text{d}$
 - $\text{£}500 \text{ at } 8 \text{ Std. hrs/ day} = 62.50 / \text{work unit}$
 - IE *Actual Cost* of $\text{£}8,000 =$ *Actual Work* of 128hrs

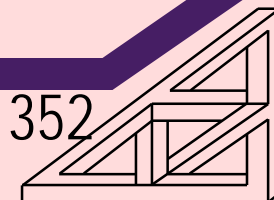




Monthly Road Data Needs To Be Entered as Raw Hours

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Project	Tracking Periods		Status		
	Start Date	End Date	Cost	Cost in Hours	Achieved Miles = %
Mth 1	01.01.07	26.01.07	8k	128	6 %
Mth 2	29.01	23.02.07	12k	192	8 %
Mth 3	26.02	23.03	8k	128	7 %
Mth 4	26.03	20.04	19k	304	10 %
Mth 5	23.04	18.05	13k	208	9 %
Mth 6	21.05	15.06	12k	192	11 %
Mth 7	18.06	13.07	12k	192	7 %
Mth 8	16.07	10.08	11k	176	9 %
Mth 9	13.08	07.09	11k	176	11 %
Mth 10	10.09	05.10	11k	176	4 %
Mth 11	08.10	02.11	11k	176	12 %
Mth 12	05.11	30.11	12k	192	6 %
Mth 13	03.12		3k	48	0 %

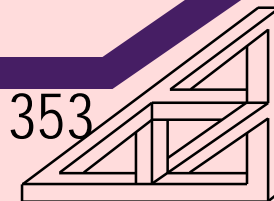




EV Solution-1: One Task Approach

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- Set project start date
 - For convenience start project on 1st Jan 2007
- Define a 200d task & Set to be Fixed Work
- Define a £500/day resource
 - Assign to task and allow MSPJ to calculate Cost (£100k) and Work (1,600hr)
- Set tracking defaults
 - Set *Update task updates Resources*: OFF
 - Remaining Work and %Complete can be entered in a way that reflects progress without SPI and CPI being equal to 1 !
 - Leave cost calculations set to Auto
 - EV can be based on %Complete,
 - May wish to set Decimal Places=0 (just for narrower columns!)

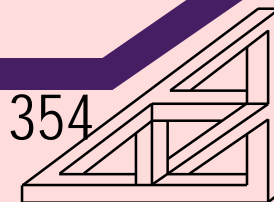




EV Solution-1: Project Statistics

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- Save baseline
- Perhaps split screen with Tracking Gantt and EV Table in top half
 - Display *Task Usage* & select fields of interest *Actual Work* and *% Complete*
 - Set timescale conveniently (EG to every 4 weeks)
- Set status date according to progress data & track *Actual Work* and *%Complete*
 - Track progress each month upto but not including month 10
 - Tracked m10 at a weekly level otherwise MSPJ's creates 2 weeks task delay
 - Track months 11 and 12
 - Status date can be set beyond project finish date before tracking any data





EV Solution-1: 1,600hrs Start Point

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- Track hours spent to determine ACWP, and %Complete for BCWP

Tracking Gantt	Task Name		BCWS	BCWP	04 Dec '0601 Jan '0729 Jan '0726 Feb '0726 Mar '0723 Apr '0721 May '0718 Jun '0716 Jul '0713 Aug '0710 Sep '0708 Oct '0705 Nov '0703 Dec '07													
	0	Neasden Baseline	£0	£0	<div><div></div></div>													
	1	Resurfacing Summa	£0	£0	<div><div></div></div>													
	2	ReSurface 100LM of Road	£0	£0	<div><div></div></div>													
Task Usage	2	ReSurface 100LM of Road	1,600 hrs	Details	04 Dec '06	01 Jan '07	29 Jan '07	26 Feb '07	26 Mar '07	23 Apr '07	21 May '07	18 Jun '07	16 Jul '07	13 Aug '07	10 Sep '07	08 Oct '07	05 Nov '07	03 Dec '07
				Act. W		160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h			
				Base. 1		160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h			
				Act. Cc														
				Base. 1		£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000			
				ACWP	£0													
				BCWP														
				BCWS														
				CPI														
				CV	£0													
				CV%														
				SPI														
				SV														
				SV%														
				% Allo														
	Road Worker	1,600 hrs		Act. W		160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h			
				Base. 1		160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h			
				Act. Cc														
				Base. 1		£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000			
				ACWP														
				BCWP														
				BCWS		£10,000	£20,000	£30,000	£40,000	£50,000	£60,000	£70,000	£80,000	£90,000	£100,000	£100,000	£100,000	£100,000
				CPI														
				CV														
				CV%														
				SPI														
				SV		£-10,000	£-20,000	£-30,000	£-40,000	£-50,000	£-60,000	£-70,000	£-80,000	£-90,000	£-100,000	£-100,000	£-100,000	£-100,000
				SV%														
				% Allo		100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%			





EV Solution-1: Tracked to Month 5

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Tracking Gantt	Task Name		BCWS	BCWP															
	0	Neasden Baseline	£50,000	£40,000															
	1	Resurfacing Summary	£50,000	£40,000															
	2	ReSurface 100LM of Road	£50,000	£40,000															
					04 Dec '06	01 Jan '07	29 Jan '07	26 Feb '07	26 Mar '07	23 Apr '07	21 May '07	18 Jun '07	16 Jul '07	13 Aug '07	10 Sep '07	08 Oct '07	05 Nov '07	03 Dec '07	
Task Usage	Task Name		Work	Details	04 Dec '06	01 Jan '07	29 Jan '07	26 Feb '07	26 Mar '07	23 Apr '07	21 May '07	18 Jun '07	16 Jul '07	13 Aug '07	10 Sep '07	08 Oct '07	05 Nov '07	03 Dec '07	
	ReSurface 100LM of Road	1,600 hrs	Act. Work			128h	192h	128h	304h	208h									
			Base. Work		160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h				
			Act. Cost		£8,000	£12,000	£8,000	£19,000	£13,000										
			Base. Cost		£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000				
			ACWP		£8,000	£20,000	£28,000	£47,000	£60,000										
			BCWP		£6,000	£14,000	£21,000	£31,000	£40,000										
			BCWS		£10,000	£20,000	£30,000	£40,000	£50,000										
			CPI		0.75	0.7	0.75	0.66	0.67										
			CV		£2,000	£6,000	£7,000	£16,000	£20,000										
			CV%		-33%	-42%	-33%	-51%	-50%										
			SPI		0.6	0.7	0.7	0.78	0.8										
			SV		£4,000	£6,000	£9,000	£9,000	£10,000										
			SV%		-40%	-30%	-30%	-22%	-20%										
			% Complete		6%	8%	7%	10%	9%										
	Road Worker	1,600 hrs	Act. Work		128h	192h	128h	304h	208h										
			Base. Work		160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h	160h				
			Act. Cost		£8,000	£12,000	£8,000	£19,000	£13,000										
			Base. Cost		£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000				
			ACWP		£8,000	£20,000	£28,000	£47,000	£60,000										
			BCWP		£8,000	£20,000	£28,000	£47,000	£60,000										
			BCWS		£10,000	£20,000	£30,000	£40,000	£50,000										
			CPI																
			CV		£0	£0	£0	£0	£0										
			CV%																
			SPI																
			SV		£2,000	£0	£2,000	£7,000	£10,000										
			SV%																
			% Complete																



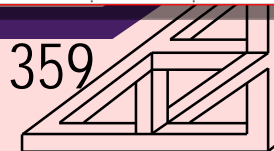


EV Solution-1: Tracked to Month 10

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- We should have finished but have not

Task Name		BCWS	BCWP													
0	Neasden tracked to	£100,000	£82,000													
1	Resurfacing Summa	£100,000	£82,000													
2	ReSurface 100LM of Road	£100,000	£82,000													





EV Solution-1: Tracked to Completion

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- Project now completed

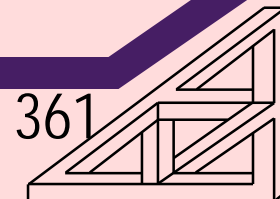
Tracking Gantt		Task Name	BCWS	BCWP		04 Dec '06	01 Jan '07	29 Jan '07	26 Feb '07	26 Mar '07	23 Apr '07	21 May '07	18 Jun '07	16 Jul '07	13 Aug '07	10 Sep '07	08 Oct '07	05 Nov '07	03 Dec '07	31 Dec '07
0		Neasden tracked to	£100,000	£100,000																100%
1		Resurfacing Summa	£100,000	£100,000																100%
2		ReSurface 100LM of Road	£100,000	£100,000																100%



EV Solution-2: Ten Tasks Reality of Progress Reports

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- If the project is set-up as 10 tasks of 10 miles each then progress reports....:
 - **Month-1** Done 6 miles of section 1 at cost of £8,000 for 20 days
 - IE Achieved 6 miles (96 units of result) at a 'cost' of 8 miles (128 units labour)
 - **M2** Finished section 1 and done 4 miles of S2
 - Both of which cost of 96 units labour each so Section-1's costs are
 - 6 miles at 16 units / mile and 4 miles at 24 units / mile
 - **M3** Finished S2's overdue 6m and laid 1m of S3 for cost of 128 labour
 - **M4** Laid 9m of s3 and 1m of S4 for a cost of 304 units of labour
- IE Cost per 10 miles is made-up of monthly costs at different efficiencies
 - The EV table given does not reflect our raw data needs (or how it would arrive in reality)

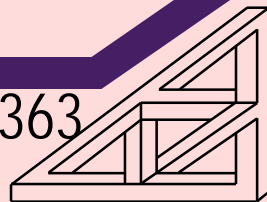




EV Solution-2: Task per 10 miles

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- 10 tasks each to resurface a Section of 10miles of road in 20days
 - Set project start and status date, Project view, Timescale, Decimal places and Update %Complete doesn't update resources
 - Baseline the plan
- Track Month-1 miles and costs to section 1
- Track month 2 miles and costs to finish Section-1 late and start Section-2
- ...
- Track month 8 miles and costs to finish Section-6 (2m) and apply 7m to Section-7
- ...
- Track month 12 miles to complete Section-10

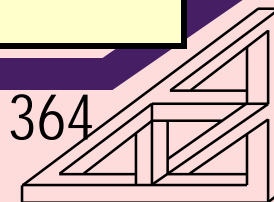




Monthly Data Needs To Be Entered as Raw Hours

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Project	Tracking Periods		Status			
	Start Date	End Date	Cost	Cost in Hours	Achieved	Previous Month's Miles Done
Mth 1	01.01.07	26.01.07	8k	128	6 %	0
Mth 2	29.01	23.02.07	12k	192	8 %	M1 = 4 (M2 = 4)
Mth 3	26.02	23.03	8k	128	7 %	M2 = 6 (M3 = 1)
Mth 4	26.03	20.04	19k	304	10 %	M3 = 9 (M4 = 1)
Mth 5	23.04	18.05	13k	208	9 %	M4 = 9 (M5 = 0)
Mth 6	21.05	15.06	12k	192	11 %	M5 = 10 (M6 = 1)
Mth 7	18.06	13.07	12k	192	7 %	M6 = 7 (M7 = 0)
Mth 8	16.07	10.08	11k	176	9 %	M6 = 2 & M7 = 7 (M8 = 0)
Mth 9	13.08	07.09	11k	176	11 %	M7 = 3 & M8 = 8 (M9 = 0)
Mth 10	10.09	05.10	11k	176	4 %	M8 = 2 & M9 = 2 (M10 = 0)
Mth 11	08.10	02.11	11k	176	12 %	M9 = 8 & M10 = 4
Mth 12	05.11	30.11	12k	192	6 %	M10 = 6
Mth 13	03.12		3k	48	0 %	



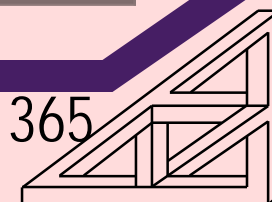


EV Solution-2: Railways Analysis

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- Each month's miles cost some amount
 - Each month's miles (except the first) partially applied to previous months

Railways	Cum BCWS	ACWP £Ks	Cum ACWP	ACWP in Labour	This Mth Units / Mile	Miles Built this month	Applied to This month	Cost This Month Miles	Miles 1 mth Late	Cost 1mth late Miles	Miles 2Mth Late	Cost 2 Mth Late Miles	Cost in Hrs of 10miles
m1	10	8	8	128	21.33333	6	6	128	4	96		0	224
m2	20	12	20	192	24	8	4	96	6	109.7143		0	205.7143
m3	30	8	28	128	18.28571	7	1	18.28571	9	273.6		0	291.8857
m4	40	19	47	304	30.4	10	1	30.4	9	208		0	238.4
m5	50	13	60	208	23.11111	9	0	0	10	174.5455		0	174.5455
m6	60	12	72	192	17.45455	11	1	17.45455	7	192	2	39.11111	248.5657
m7	70	12	84	192	27.42857	7	0	0	7	136.8889	3	48	184.8889
m8	80	11	95	176	19.55556	9	0	0	8	128	2	88	216
m9	90	11	106	176	16	11	0	0	2	88	8	117.3333	205.3333
m10	100	11	117	176	44	4	0	48	4	58.66667	6	192	298.6667
m11		11	128	176	14.66667	12							
m12		12	140	192	32	6							
m13		3	143	48	Added as overhead to all M10							2288	2288



EV Solution-2: Neasden Tracking Status

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- 128hrs month 1 effort cost £8k, 96hrs (£6k) of month 2 effort used on miles 1-10

Task Name				Duration	
1	Neasden ByPass ReSur			204 days	
2	Miles 1-10			20 days	
3	11-20			24 days	
4	21-30			20 days	
5	31-40			20 days	
6	41-50			20 days	

Task Name	BCWS	Bi	Details	01 Jan '07	29 Jan '07	26 Feb '07	26 Mar '07
2 Miles 1-10	£10,000		Act. Work	128h			
			Base. Work	160h			
			Base. Cost	£10,000			
			Act. Cost	£8,000			
			ACWP	£8,000	£8,000		
			BCWP	£6,000	£6,000		
			BCWS	£10,000	£10,000		
			CPI	0.75	0.75		
			CV	£2,000	£2,000		
			CV%	-33%	-33%		
			SPI	0.6	0.6		
			SV	£4,000	£4,000		
			SV%	-40%	-40%		
			% Complete	60%			
Road Workers	£10,000		Act. Work	128h			
			Base. Work	160h			
			Base. Cost	£10,000			
			Act. Cost	£8,000			
			ACWP	£8,000	£8,000		
				£10,000	£10,000		
				£10,000	£10,000		

Month 1 delivered 128hrs effort on miles 1-10 but only achieved 60% of target

Month 2 effort spent on month 1
Now 100% complete 60% + 40%

Task Name	BCWS	Bi	Details	01 Jan '07	29 Jan '07	26 Feb '07	26 Mar '07
2 Miles 1-10	£10,000		Act. Work	128h	96h		
			Base. Work	160h			
			Base. Cost	£10,000			
			Act. Cost	£8,000	£6,000		
			ACWP	£8,000	£14,000	£14,000	
			BCWP	£6,000	£10,000	£10,000	
			BCWS	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	
			CPI	0.75	0.71	0.71	
			CV	£2,000	£4,000	£4,000	
			CV%	-33%	-39%	-39%	
			SPI	0.6	1	1	
			SV	£4,000	£0	£0	
			SV%	-40%	0%	0%	
			% Complete	60%	40%		
Road Workers	£10,000		Act. Work	128h	96h		
			Base. Work	160h			
			Base. Cost	£10,000			
			Act. Cost	£8,000	£6,000		
			ACWP	£8,000	£14,000	£14,000	
				£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	
				£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	

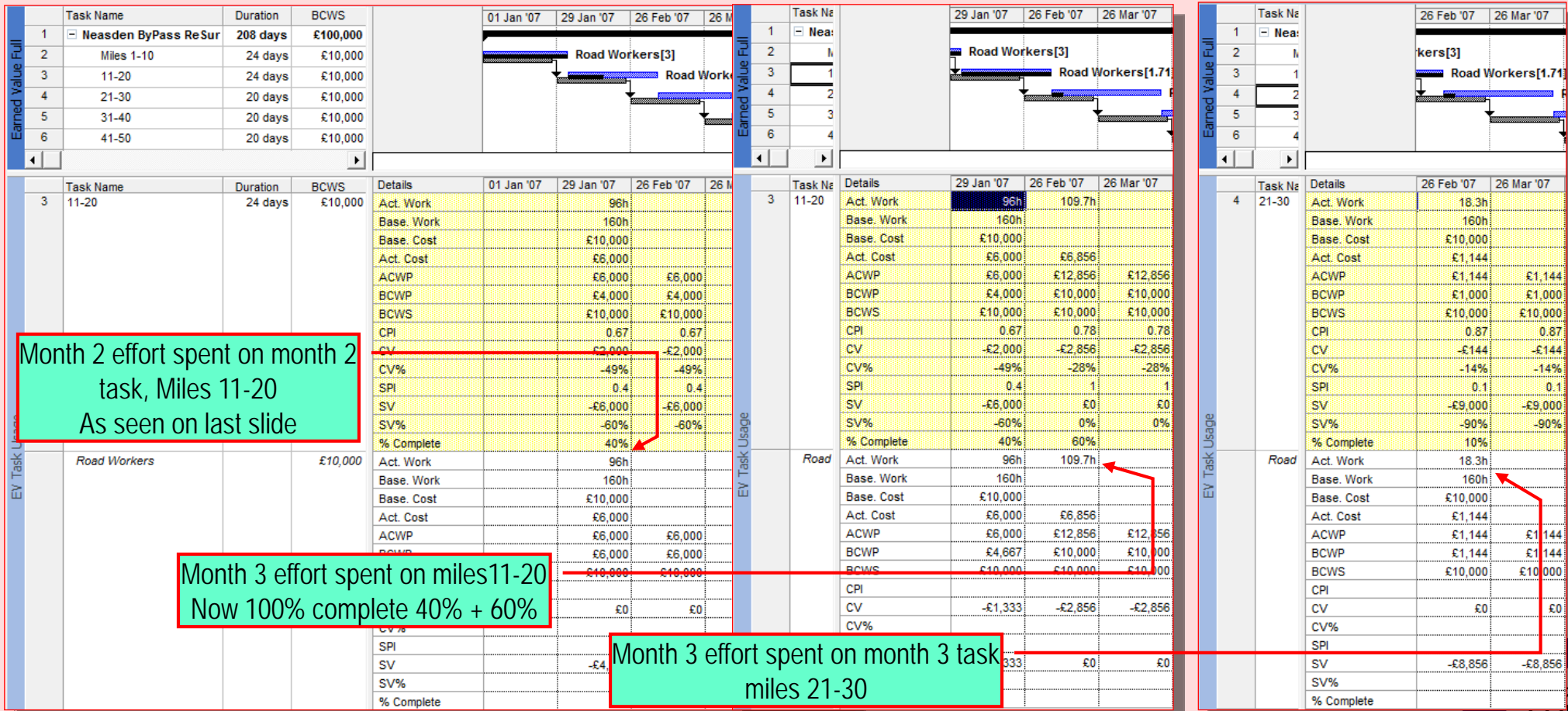
Month 2 effort spent on month 2

Task Name	BCWS	Bi	Details	01 Jan '07	29 Jan '07	26 Feb '07	26 Mar '07	23 Apr '07
2 Miles 1-10	£10,000		Act. Work		96h			
			Base. Work		160h			
			Base. Cost		£10,000			
			Act. Cost		£6,000			
			ACWP		£6,000	£6,000	£6,000	£6,000
			BCWP		£4,000	£4,000	£4,000	£4,000
			BCWS		£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000
			CPI		0.67	0.67	0.67	0.67
			CV		£2,000	£2,000	£2,000	£2,000
			CV%		-49%	-49%	-49%	-49%
			SPI		0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
			SV		£6,000	£6,000	£6,000	£6,000
			SV%		-60%	-60%	-60%	-60%
			% Complete		40%			
Road Workers	£10,000		Act. Work		96h			
			Base. Work		160h			
			Base. Cost		£10,000			
			Act. Cost		£6,000			
			ACWP		£6,000	£6,000	£6,000	£6,000
					£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000
					£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000

EV Solution-2: Neasden Month 3

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- 109.7hrs of month 3's 128hrs effort spent on miles 11-20 at cost of £6,856

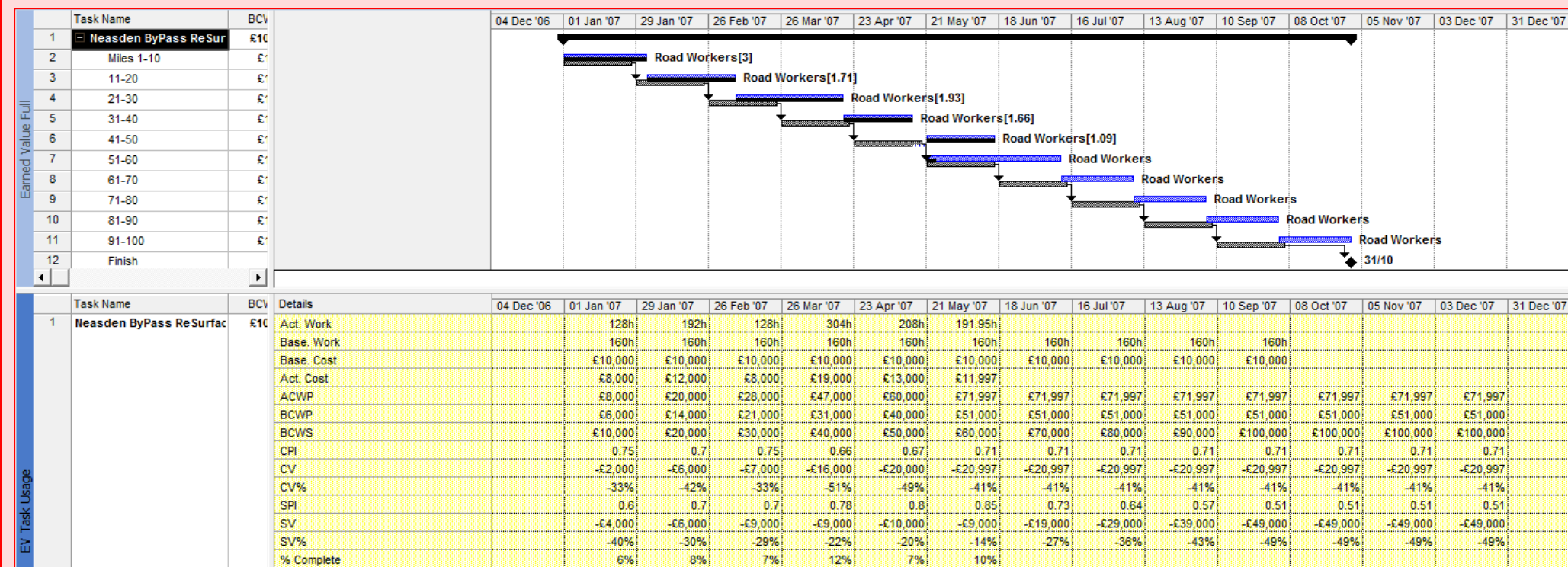




EV Solution-2: Neasden By-Pass Status Month 6

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- Project summary task figures show aggregate status (here at end of month 6)



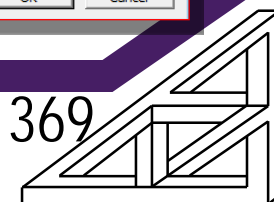
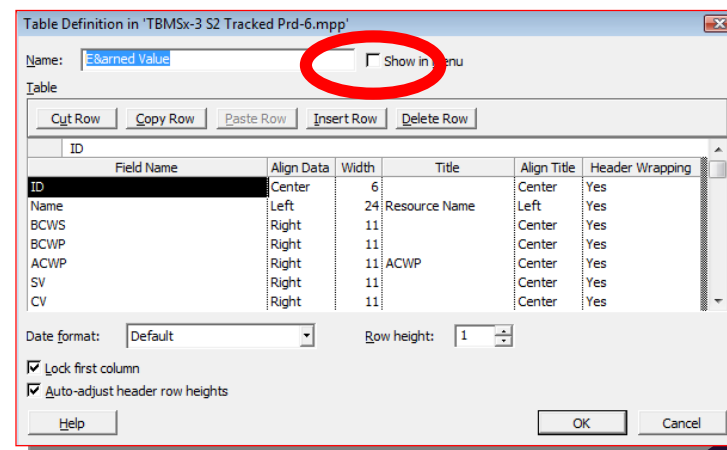
People's EV Performance

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- MSPJ provides EV by resource!
 - *View Resource Sheet / View Table / More Tables / Earned value*
 - Scary prospect!!

	Resource Name	BCWS	BCWP	ACWP	SV	CV	EAC	BAC	VAC
1	Optical Eng.	£94,172	£94,172	£104,262	£0	-£10,090	£104,262	£94,172	-£10,090
2	Drawing Office	£40,810	£38,259	£43,360	-£2,551	-£5,101	£45,911	£40,810	-£5,441
3	SubCon	£9,000	£6,000	£15,000	-£3,000	-£9,000	£65,000	£39,000	-£58,500
4	Instrument Tech	£28,057	£30,607	£33,901	£2,551	-£3,294	£157,741	£140,283	-£15,098
5	Electrical Eng.	£40,360	£40,360	£40,360	£0	£0	£40,360	£40,360	£0
6	Fabr'tn Dept	£40,360	£20,180	£53,813	-£20,180	-£33,633	£63,903	£40,360	-£67,266

- EV isn't in the view menu by default but easy to include
 - *View Table / More Tables / Earned Value / Edit*
 - Default EV Table isn't the set of columns I'd choose but easy to create a new table and save to Global.mpt



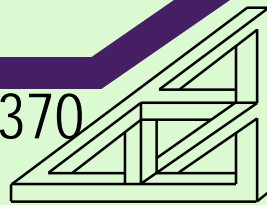
Contents: Reporting

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- Preparing to Track and Tracking
 - Calculation Options
 - High level tracking
 - Low level tracking
- Tracking Costs
- Status, Filters and amending the plan's contents
- Using Earned Value



MSPJ capabilities for data reporting, exporting and exchanging



MSPJ Has Many Reports

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- MSPJ has many reports

The screenshot illustrates the process of generating reports in Microsoft Project. It shows the 'View' menu with 'Reports...' highlighted (1). The 'Reports' dialog box is open, showing 'Overview...', 'Current Activities...', and 'Costs...' (2). The 'Cost Reports' dialog box is also open, showing 'Cash Flow', 'Budget', and 'Overbudget Tasks' (3). The 'Budget Report' window is displayed, showing a table of costs (4).

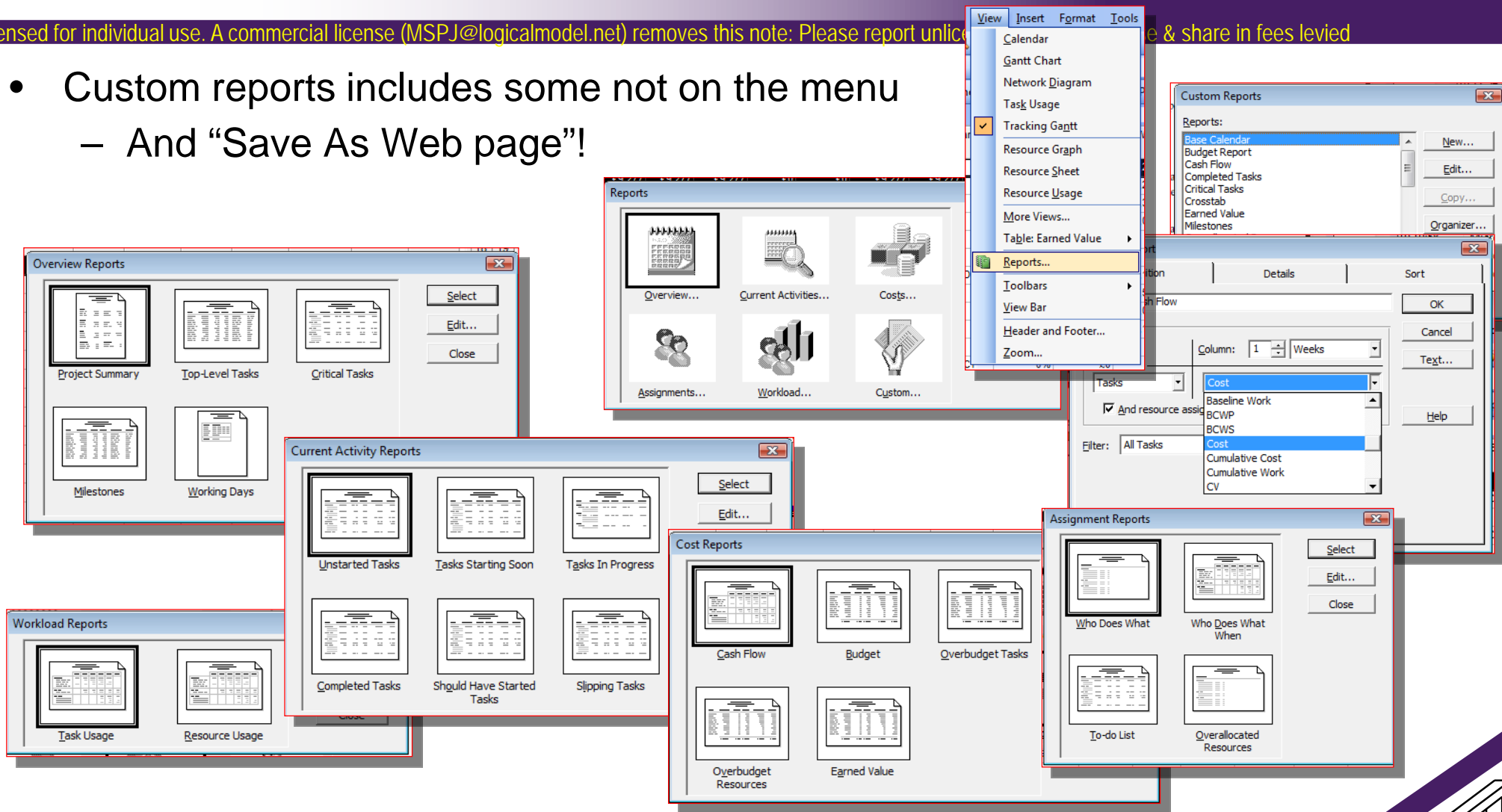
**Budget Report as of 01/08/10 20:11
June08.mpp**

ID	Task Name	Fixed Cost	Fixed Cost Accrual	Total Cost	Baseline	Variance	Actual
3	task2	£250.00	Prorated	£2,980.67	£0.00	£2,980.67	£0.00
2	task1	£0.00	Prorated	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
4	task3	£0.00	Prorated	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
5	task4	£0.00	Prorated	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
6	ms1	£0.00	Prorated	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
7	task7	£0.00	Prorated	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
		£250.00		£2,980.67	£0.00	£2,980.67	£0.00

The Reporting Tool's Choices !

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- Custom reports includes some not on the menu
 - And “Save As Web page”!



The screenshot displays the Reporting Tool's interface with several report windows open and the View menu expanded.

View Menu Options:

- Calendar
- Gantt Chart
- Network Diagram
- Task Usage
- Tracking Gantt
- Resource Graph
- Resource Sheet
- Resource Usage
- More Views...
- Table: Earned Value
- Reports...
- Toolbars
- View Bar
- Header and Footer...
- Zoom...

Report Windows:

- Overview Reports:** Project Summary, Top-Level Tasks, Critical Tasks, Milestones, Working Days.
- Current Activity Reports:** Unstarted Tasks, Tasks Starting Soon, Tasks In Progress, Completed Tasks, Should Have Started Tasks, Slipping Tasks.
- Workload Reports:** Task Usage, Resource Usage.
- Cost Reports:** Cash Flow, Budget, Overbudget Tasks, Overbudget Resources, Earned Value.
- Assignment Reports:** Who Does What, Who Does What When, To-do List, Overallocated Resources.
- Custom Reports:** Base Calendar, Budget Report, Cash Flow, Completed Tasks, Critical Tasks, Crosstab, Earned Value, Milestones.

Filter and Column Selection:

- Filter:** All Tasks
- Column:** 1 Weeks
- Cost Selection:** Baseline Work, BCWP, BCWS, Cost, Cumulative Cost, Cumulative Work, CV.

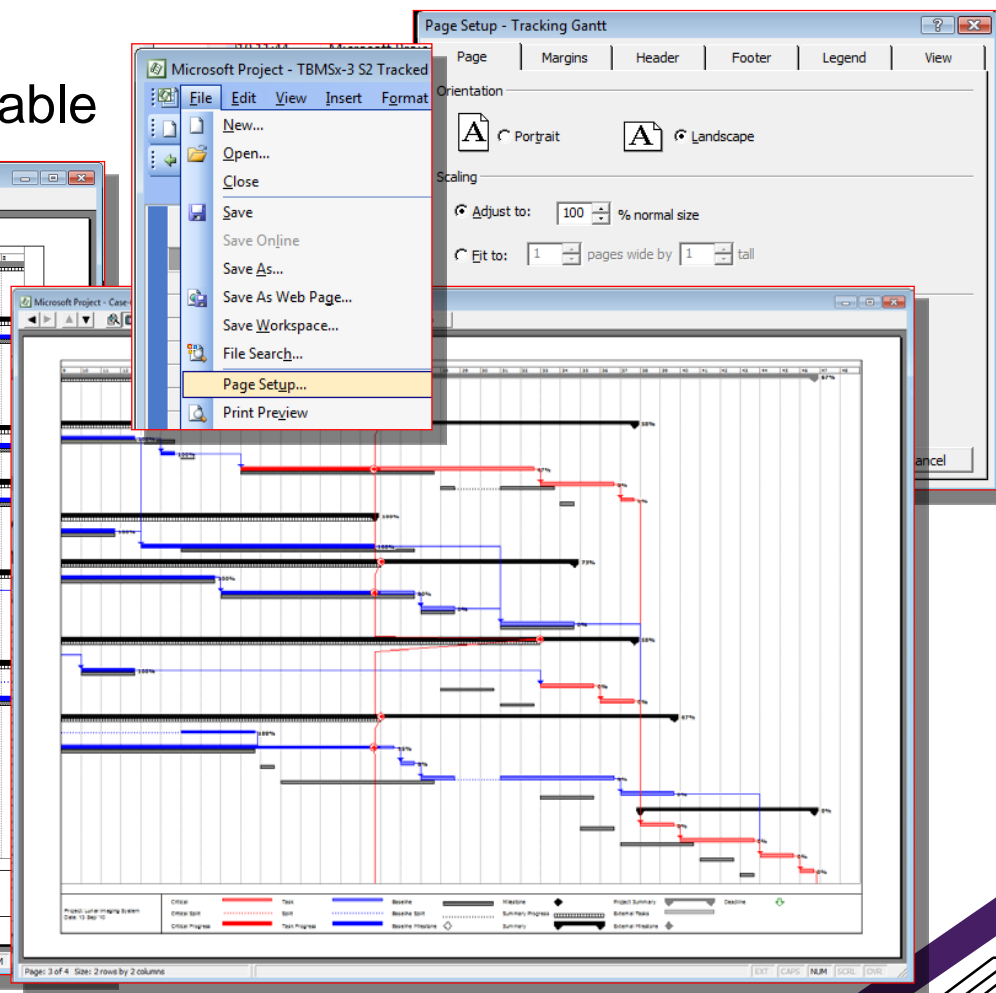
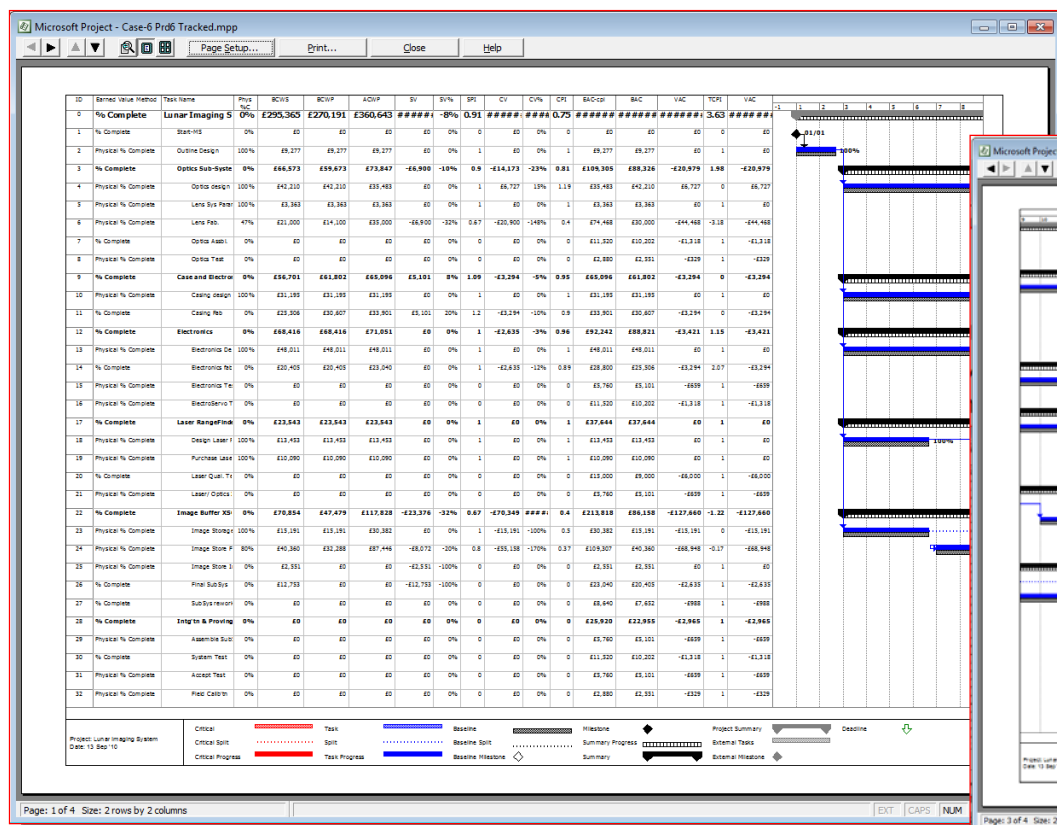




Reporting Through Views

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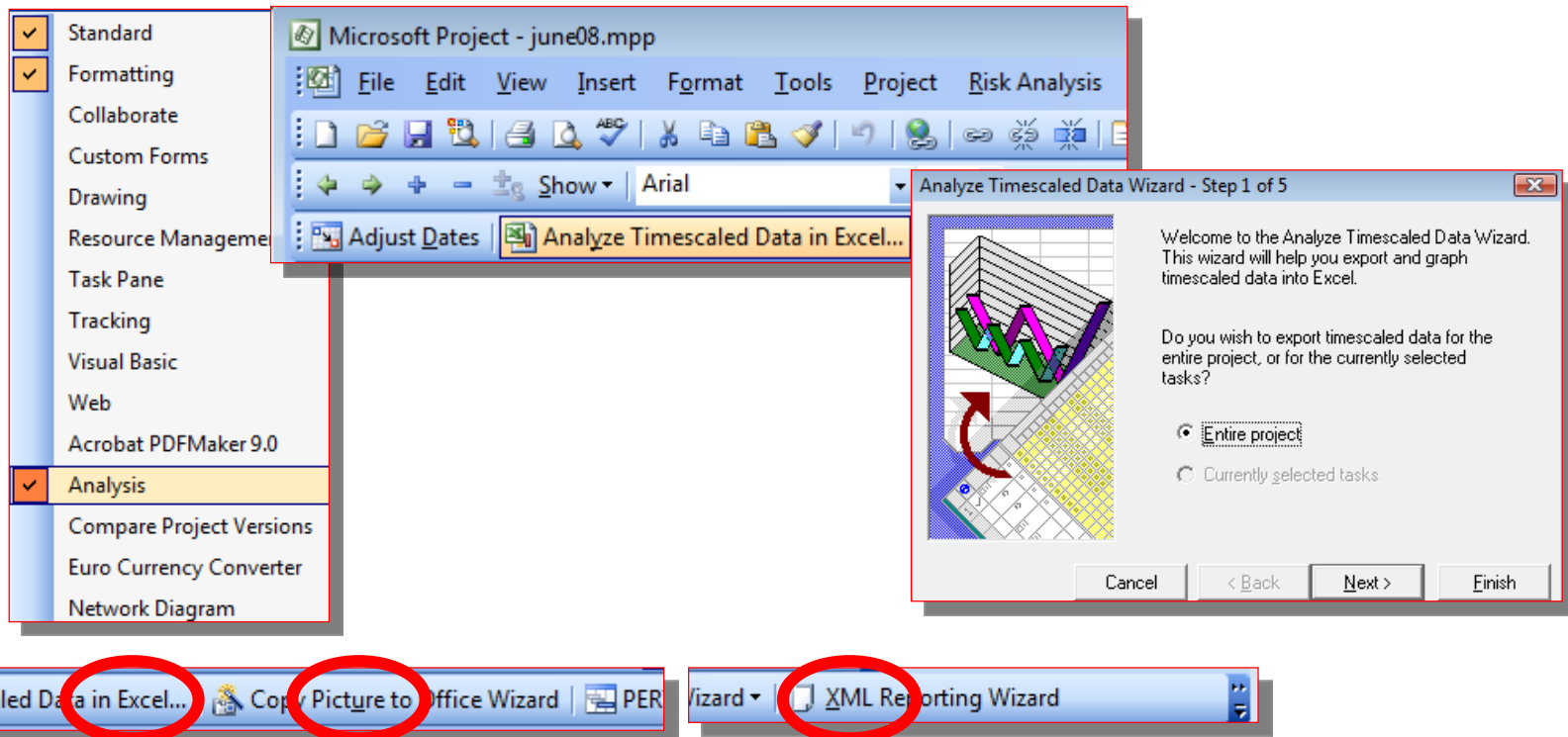
- (Some) Views can be used as reports
 - EG this is the Gantt View with EV Table



Exporting (and Importing) Data

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- Wide range of options to pass data to other file format
 - Data can be exchanged dynamically too!



- Also export in XML, save a web-page and more



Dynamic Data Exchange: Linking Excel And MSPJ

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- Create the spreadsheet – EG 3ptEstimates.xls
- Create an MSPJ file
 - Enter tasks
 - Copy-n-paste *Names* to XL
 - (Paste or paste-special)
 - Enter estimating data
 - Copy and paste special from XL to MSPJ

	Task Name	Duration	Start	Finish	Predecessor	-1	1	2	3
1	t1	3.67 days	01 Jan '01	04 Jan '01					
2	t2	4.67 days	04 Jan '01	11 Jan '01	1				
3	t3	6.33 days	11 Jan '01	19 Jan '01	2				
4	t4	3 days	19 Jan '01	24 Jan '01	3				
5	t5	3.33 days	24 Jan '01	29 Jan '01	4				

- This is a poor example!
 - Should estimate WORK and leave MSPJ to schedule!!

The screenshot shows the MSPJ software interface with a task list and a Gantt chart. The task list is as follows:

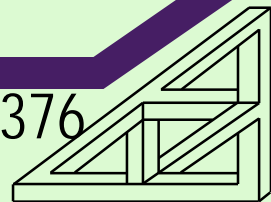
Task	Name	Best	ML	Worst	50% Prob	SD	80% Prob	Critical Path?	Schedule Allowance
1	t1	2	3	5	3.17	0.50	3.67		
2	t2	3	4	6	4.17	0.50	4.67		
3	t3	4	6	7	5.83	0.50	6.33		
4	t4	2	3	3	2.83	0.17	3.00		
5	t5	3	3	4	3.17	0.17	3.33		

The Gantt chart shows the task sequence: t1 (01 Jan '01 to 04 Jan '01), t2 (04 Jan '01 to 11 Jan '01), t3 (11 Jan '01 to 19 Jan '01), t4 (19 Jan '01 to 24 Jan '01), and t5 (24 Jan '01 to 29 Jan '01).



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- Once the baseline is defined and staff are executing the project's work
 - Gather data of actual work and enter to MSPJ
 - Correct setting of calculation options and tracking level are material
 - Track {Resource, Task} usage reflects data gathering choice
- Once entered data can be reported, summarised and exported in many ways
- Time to apply it all to the Case-Study





To implement EV the key factor is understanding how to judge “done” or percent complete: [LML](http://LogicalModel.Net) can help😊

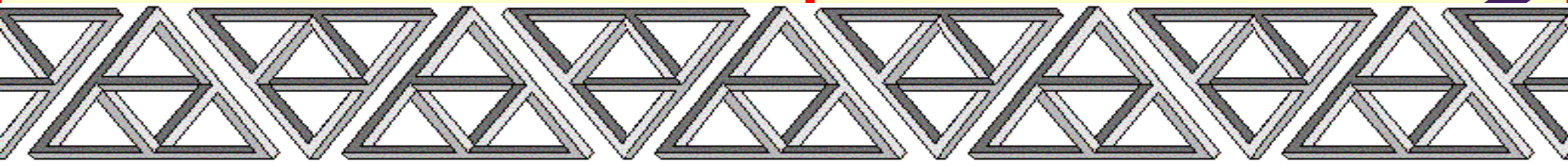
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- For further help & assistance
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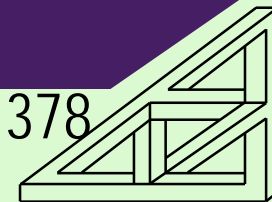
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- Lesson 8

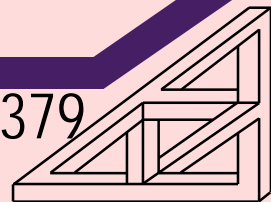
Lesson 8: Tracking The Case-Study



Case-Study-Intro: EV Analysis and Reporting

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- Objective: To track changes to the project and report EV for analysis
 - Analyse the project's evolving status using EV figures
- Steps
 - Establish the project baseline
 - Set status date, read the scenario and apply the progress reported
 - Unless told otherwise all tasks started and completed as planned (duration, resource usage, cost) or as soon as possible following delays
 - Remember constraints such as no Tech-I's in weeks 29 and 30
 - Remember that tasks have levelling delay that may become irrelevant due to progress based changes
- Progress reports and project office information is provided in the following pages
 - Assess the information given
 - Track the project

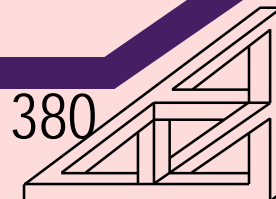




Case-Study: Team's Report of History

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- Management wishes to review the historical data, current position, forecasts and recommendations on 4 weekly intervals
- MSPJ will give you the raw task level data and the BCWP, ACWP, SV, CV, SV%, CV%, CPI, SPI, TCPI, and EAC of anything you care to configure
 - Project overall status recorded against the project summary task
- Some activities can use %Complete but 0-100, 50/50, MS and MS-PC will have to use Physical % Complete (which only resolves to whole % points in MSPJ)
 - MS-PC tasks on the way to a MS may use %C until they miss a MS
 - Assume that all % complete tasks proceed at an even rate
- Reschedule the project and re-resource to accommodate the best end date & cost as each period's progress data is assessed



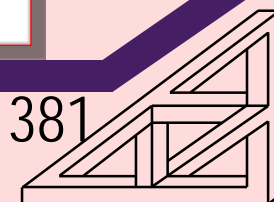


Case-Study: EV Types 1/2*

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Task Name	Task Short Name	EV Type
Lunar Imaging System	LIS	-
Start-MS	S	-
Outline Design	OutD	0-100
Optics Sub-System		-
Optics Design	OD	MS-PC w3-PDR-25% w8-CDR-75%
Lens System Parameters	LSPs	0-100
Lens Fabrication	LensFab	PC
Optics Assembly	OA	PC
Optics Test	OT	0-100
Focusing Mechanics Ss		-
Focusing Mechanics Design	FMD	MS-PC w3-PDR-30%, w7-CDR-80%
Focusing Mechanics (Purchase)	FMP	PC
Electronics Ss		-
Electronics Design	ED	MS-PC w3-PDR-20%, w10-CDR-70%
Electronics Fabrication	EFab	PC
Electronics Test	ET	0-100
ElectroServo Preparation for Integration	ESI	50-50

W3 (w8 etc) means after the task's 3rd (8th) week EV is capped at this level unless the accompanying review is passed. Task end = 100%

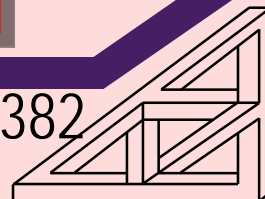


Case-Study: EV Types 2/2

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Task Name	Task Short Name	EV Type
[-] Laser RangeFinder Ss		-
Laser Ranging System Tender	LRST	50-50
Laser Generator (Purchase)	LGP	25-75
Laser Positioning Controls Fabrication	LPCFab	PC
Generator & Controls Integration	LGCI	0-100
[-] Image Buffer XSO		-
Image Storage Design	ISD	50-50
Image Store Fabrication	ISFab	MS w2-SG1-15%, w6-Sg2-50%, w10-SG3-80%
Image Store As-Built Drawings	ISABD	0-100
XSO Assembly	XA	Pc
XSO Review	XR	Pc
[-] Intg'tn & Proving Phase		-
Assemble Sub-Systems	ASS	50-50
System Test	LISST	Pc
Accept Test	LISAT	0-100
Field Installation & Calibration	FIC	0-100
Finish-MS	F	-

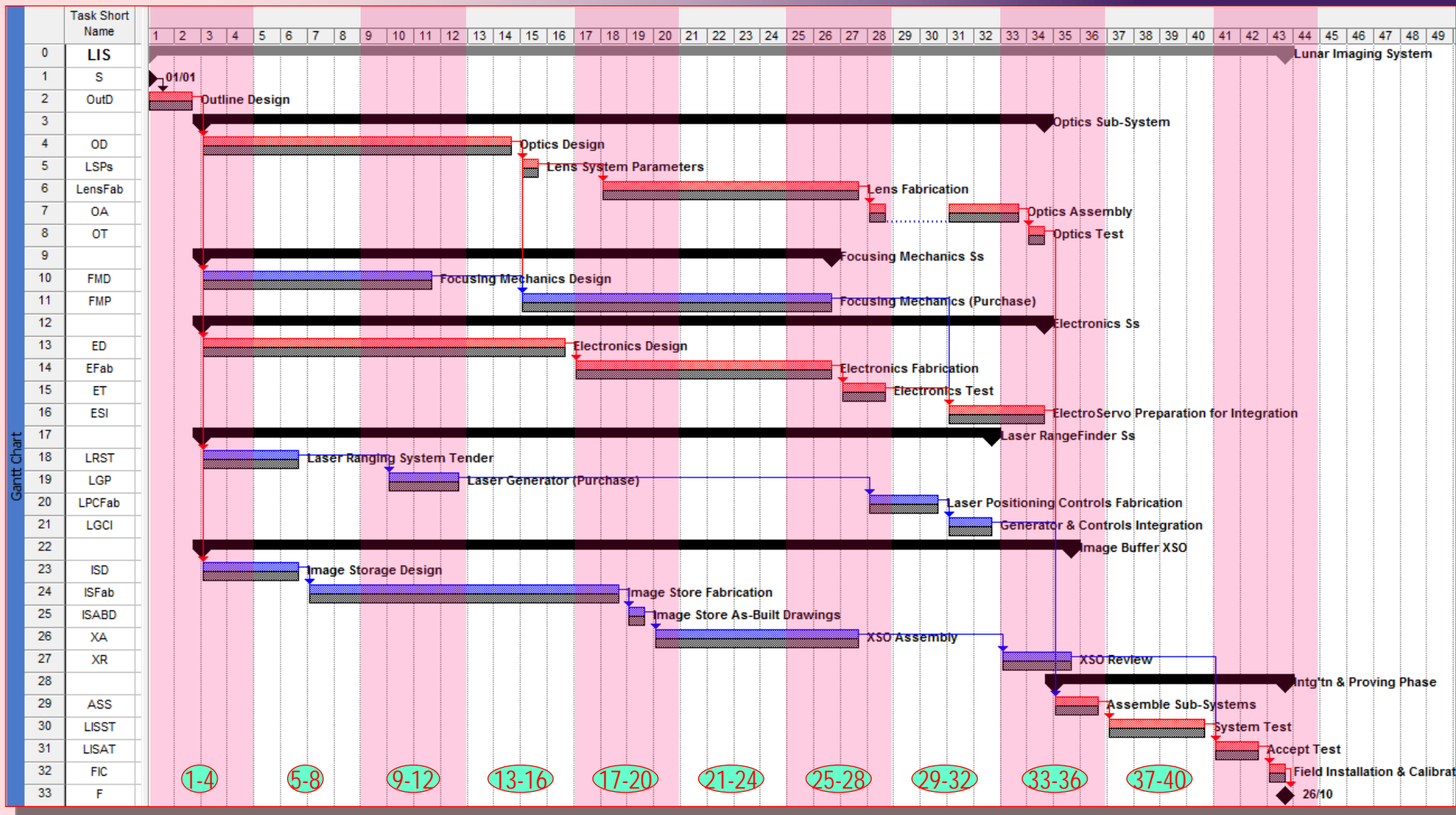
W2 (w6 etc) is the week the review is expected to be held. Only the EV of the most recently passed review can be claimed (0% at start, 100% at finish)





Case Study: Baseline Before Period-1 Results

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EV And Percentages By Task-Week 1/4

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- Red divisions and numbers indicate project weeks and baseline reporting period boundaries
 - Figures are for tasks that perform to base-line

1	Period Cost	3363.30	5913.90										
OutD	Cumulative Cost	3363.30	9277.20										
	0-100	0%	100%										
2	Period Cost	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	5913.9	5913.9	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6
OD	Cumulative Cost	3363.3	6726.6	10089.9	13453.2	16816.5	20179.8	26093.7	32007.6	34558.2	37108.8	39659.4	42210
		7.97%	15.94%	23.90%	31.87%	39.84%	47.81%	61.82%	75.83%	81.87%	87.91%	93.96%	100.00%
	Milestones PC												
3	Period Cost	3363.3											
LSPs	Cumulative Cost	3363.3											
	0-100	100%											
4	Period Cost	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000			
LensFab	Cumulative Cost	3000	6000	9000	12000	15000	18000	21000	24000	27000	30000		
	% Complete	(10%)	(20%)		(40%)	(50%)	(60%)		(80%)	(90%)	(100%)		
5	Period Cost	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6								
OA	Cumulative Cost	2550.6	5101.2	7651.8	10202.4								
	% Complete	(25%)	(50%)	(75%)	(100%)								
6	Period Cost	2550.6											
OT	Cumulative Cost	2550.6											
	0-100	100%											

OD 2Wk ahead
MSPJ 75% = £31,658

OD If to plan then
 TaskWk 1: BCWS = 3363.30, ACWP = 3363.30, BCWP = 3363.30
 TWk 2: BCWS = 6726.60, ACWP = 6726.60, BCWP = 6726.60
 TWk 3: BCWS = 10089.90, ACWP = 10089.90, BCWP = ?
 Have we passed the MS ? If NO BCWP = 10089.90, yes = 10552.50 (25%)



EV And Percentages By Task-Week 2/4

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MSPJ 42% = £20,165

MSPJ 70% = £33,608

MSPJ 65% = £20,277

7	Period Cost	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	5913.9	2550.6	2550.6						
FMD	Cumulative Cost	3363.3	6726.6	10089.9	13453.2	16816.5	20179.8	26093.7	28644.3	31194.9						
		10.78%	21.56%	32.34%	43.13%	53.91%	64.69%	83.65%	91.82%	100.00%						
	Milestones PC		1-4	30% PDR			5-8	80% CDR	100% PRR	9-12						
8	Period Cost	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6			
FMP	Cumulative Cost	2550.6	5101.2	7651.8	10202.4	12753	15303.6	17854.2	20404.8	22955.4	25506	28056.6	30607.2			
	% Complete	(8%)	(17%)	(25%)	(33%)	(42%)	(50%)	(58%)	(67%)	(75%)	(83%)	(92%)	(100%)	25-28		
9	Period Cost	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	5913.9	2550.6	2550.6	
ED	Cumulative Cost	3363.3	6726.6	10089.9	13453.2	16816.5	20179.8	23543.1	26906.4	30269.7	33633	36996.3	42910.2	45460.8	48011.4	
		7.01%	14.01%	21.02%	28.02%	35.03%	42.03%	49.04%	56.04%	63.05%	70.05%	77.06%	89.38%	94.69%	100.00%	
	Milestones PC		1-4	20% PDR			5-8			9-12	70% CDR		13-16	100% PRR		
10	Period Cost	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6					
EFab	Cumulative Cost	2550.6	5101.2	7651.8	10202.4	12753	15303.6	17854.2	20404.8	22955.4	25506					
	% Complete	(10%)	(20%)	(30%)	(40%)	(50%)	(60%)	(70%)	(80%)	(90%)	(100%)	25-28				
11	Period Cost	2550.6	2550.6													
ET	Cumulative Cost	2550.6	5101.2													
	0-100	0%	100%	25-28												
12	Period Cost	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6											
ESI	Cumulative Cost	2550.6	5101.2	7651.8	10202.4											
	50-50	50%	29-32		50%											

Starts 2Wk early

TaskWk 1: BCWS = 3363.30, ACWP = 3363.30, BCWP = 3363.30
TWk 2: BCWS = 6726.60, ACWP = 6726.60, BCWP = 6726.60
TWk 3: BCWS = 10089.90, ACWP = 10089.90, BCWP = ?
Have we passed the MS ? If NO BCWP = 9,358.47 (20%), yes = 10089.90 (21.02%)



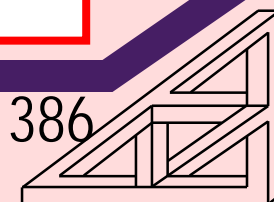
EV And Percentages By Task-Week 3/4

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13	Period Cost	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3									
LRST	Cumulative Cost	3363.3	6726.6	10089.9	13453.2									
	50-50	50%	1-4											
14	Period Cost	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3										
LGP	Cumulative Cost	3363.3	6726.6	10089.9										
	25-75	25%	9-12	75%										
15	Period Cost	3000	3000	3000										
LPCFab	Cumulative Cost	3000	6000	9000										
	% Complete	(33%)	(67%)	(100%)										
16	Period Cost	2550.6	2550.6											
LGCI	Cumulative Cost	2550.6	5101.2											
	0-100	0%	100%											
17	Period Cost	3363.3	3363.3	5913.9	2550.6									
ISD	Cumulative Cost	3363.3	6726.6	12640.5	15191.1									
	50-50	50%	1-4											
18	Period Cost	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	
ISFab	Cumulative Cost	3363.3	6726.6	10089.9	13453.2	16816.5	20179.8	23543.1	26906.4	30269.7	33633	36996.3	40359.6	
	Milestones	5-8	15% SG1			9-12	50% SG2			13-16	80% SG3		100% SG4	

ISD
TWk 1: BCWS = 3363.3, ACWP = 3363.3, BCWP = 50% of 15,191.10
TWk 2: BCWS = 6726.6, ACWP = 6726.6, BCWP = 7,595.55
TWk 3: BCWS = 12,640.50, ACWP = 12,640.50, BCWP = 7595.55

ISFab
TWk 1: BCWS = 3363.3, ACWP = 3363.3, BCWP = 0
TWk 2: BCWS = 6726.6, ACWP = 6726.6, BCWP = 15% of 40,359.60
TWk 3: BCWS = 10,089.90, ACWP = 10,089.90, BCWP = 6,053.94

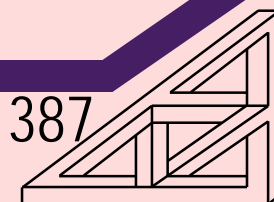




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19	Period Cost	2550.6								
ISABD	Cumulative Cost	2550.6								
	0-100	100%	17-20							
20	Period Cost	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6	
XA	Cumulative Cost	2550.6	5101.2	7651.8	10202.4	12753	15303.6	17854.2	20404.8	
	% Complete	(13%)	(25%)	(38%)	(50%)	(63%)	(75%)	(88%)	(100%)	25-28
21	Period Cost	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6						
XR	Cumulative Cost	2550.6	5101.2	7651.8						
	% Complete	(33%)	(67%)	(100%)	33-36					
22	Period Cost	2550.6	2550.6							
ASS	Cumulative Cost	2550.6	5101.2							
	50-50	50%	50%	33-36						
23	Period Cost	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6	2550.6					
LISST	Cumulative Cost	2550.6	5101.2	7651.8	10202.4					
	% Complete	(25%)	(50%)	(75%)	(100%)	37-40				
24	Period Cost	2550.6	2550.6							
LISAT	Cumulative Cost	2550.6	5101.2							
	0-100	0%	100%	41-44						
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FIC	Cumulative Cost	2550.6								
	0-100	100%	41-44							

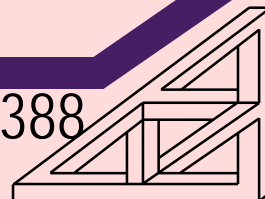




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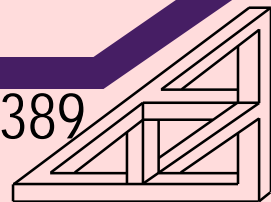
- All OK – To plan so far
 - Finance advise Tech-I actual costs will be £32/ hour when they start work
- Open your CaseStudy baseline (as copy? Or use Case5.2 Ready To Track.mpp)
 - Set status date to fourth Friday EG 26/1/01
 - Show progress line at status date?
 - Check BCWS is £42,910
 - Set Tech-I rate to £32 hr (125% overhead burden = £2,880/wk) from Tech-I's first scheduled week (hint: *Resource Usage?* & *Resource Information | Costs | Cost Rate Table*)



'Progress' Report Period 1 (Weeks 1 to 4) Pt2

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- Set all relevant tasks to *Physical % Complete* (Refer to previous slides)
 - OutD, LSPs, OT, ET, LGCI, ISABD, LISAT, FIC are all 0-100
 - ESI, LRST, LGP, ISD, ASS are all 50-50 or 25-75
 - ISFab is MS
 - OD, FMD, ED, are all MS-PC so may stay %C for now
 - LensFab, OA, FMP, EFab, LPCFab, XA, XR, LISST are %C
- Use *Tools | Tracking | Update Project | Set 0% -100% Complete*
 - Note: *Physical % Complete* FMD 21.5% shown by MSPJ as 22% and £6,863 not £6,727 = £136, OD 15.94% vs 16% = £27, ED 14.01% = £5
 - BCWP should be = £43,937 if all non %C tasks are *Physical % Complete*
 - BCWP should be = £43,779 if tasks that can be %C are
 - ISD P%C at 50/50 yield £869 variance so £43,779 is strictly the correct figure
 - £869 variance in ISD from a 50-50% EV type is difference from £42,910





Case-Study: Period-1 Tracked

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- Note FMD & ED set to %Complete

FMD & ED EV-Type = % Comp. 21.5% & 14.01%

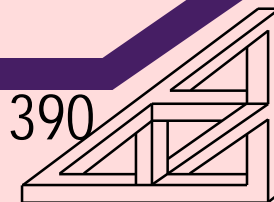
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0	% Comp	LIS	0%	£42,910	£43,779	£42,910	£869	2%	1.02	£869	1%	1.02	£387,144	£394,984	£7,840	1	£387,144	£7,840
1	% Comp	S	0%	£0	£0	£0	£0	0%	0	£0	0%	0	£0	£0	£0	0	£0	£0
2	Physical	OutD	100%	£9,277	£9,277	£9,277	£0	0%	1	£0	0%	1	£9,277	£9,277	£0	1	£9,277	£0
3	% Comp	OD	17%	£6,727	£6,727	£6,727	£0	0%	1	£0	0%	1	£42,210	£42,210	£0	1	£42,210	£0
4	Physical	LSPs	0%	£0	£0	£0	£0	0%	0	£0	0%	0	£3,363	£3,363	£0	1	£3,363	£0
5	% Comp	ensFab	0%	£0	£0	£0	£0	0%	0	£0	0%	0	£30,000	£30,000	£0	1	£30,000	£0
6	% Comp	OA	0%	£0	£0	£0	£0	0%	0	£0	0%	0	£11,520	£10,202	-£1,318	1	£11,520	-£1,318
7	Physical	OT	0%	£0	£0	£0	£0	0%	0	£0	0%	0	£2,880	£2,551	-£329	1	£2,880	-£329
8	% Comp	FMD	22%	£6,727	£6,727	£6,727	£0	0%	1	£0	0%	1	£31,195	£31,195	£0	1	£31,195	£0
9	% Comp	FMP	0%	£0	£0	£0	£0	0%	0	£0	0%	0	£34,560	£30,607	-£3,953	1	£34,560	-£3,953
10	% Comp	ED	14%	£6,727	£6,727	£6,727	£0	0%	1	£0	0%	1	£48,011	£48,011	£0	1	£48,011	£0

Tech-I Rate Variance

- FMD & ED set to Phys % Complete

Phys % Comp. 22% & 14%

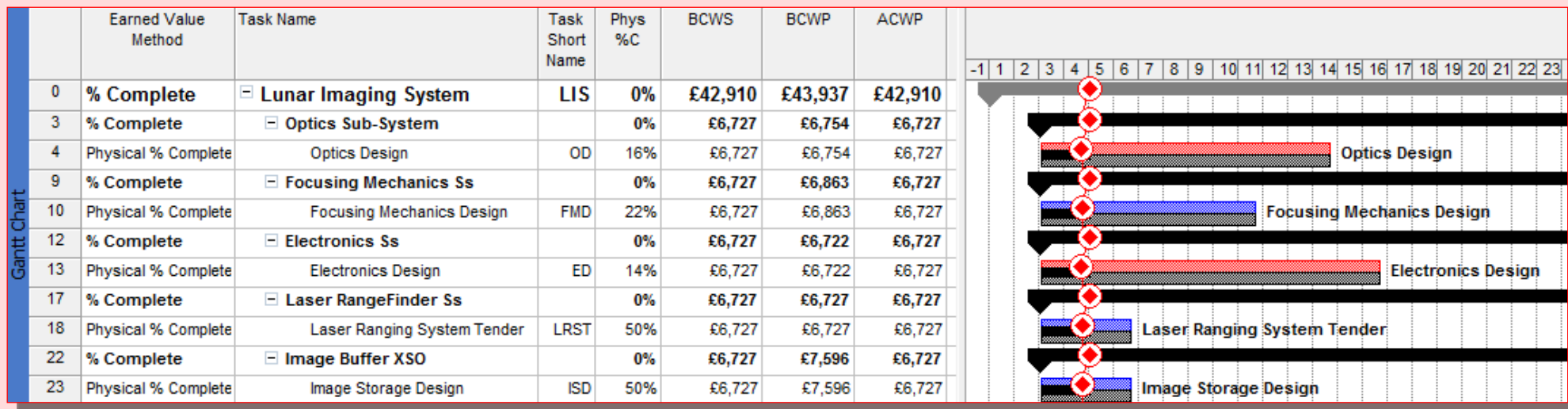
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0	% Comp	LIS	0%	£42,910	£43,910	£42,910	£1,000	2%	1.02	£1,000	2%	1.02	£385,987	£394,984	£8,997	1	£385,987	£8,997
1	% Comp	S	0%	£0	£0	£0	£0	0%	0	£0	0%	0	£0	£0	£0	0	£0	£0
2	Physical	OutD	100%	£9,277	£9,277	£9,277	£0	0%	1	£0	0%	1	£9,277	£9,277	£0	1	£9,277	£0
3	% Comp	OD	17%	£6,727	£6,727	£6,727	£0	0%	1	£0	0%	1	£42,210	£42,210	£0	1	£42,210	£0
4	Physical	LSPs	0%	£0	£0	£0	£0	0%	0	£0	0%	0	£3,363	£3,363	£0	1	£3,363	£0
5	% Comp	ensFab	0%	£0	£0	£0	£0	0%	0	£0	0%	0	£30,000	£30,000	£0	1	£30,000	£0
6	% Comp	OA	0%	£0	£0	£0	£0	0%	0	£0	0%	0	£11,520	£10,202	-£1,318	1	£11,520	-£1,318
7	Physical	OT	0%	£0	£0	£0	£0	0%	0	£0	0%	0	£2,880	£2,551	-£329	1	£2,880	-£329
8	Physical	FMD	22%	£6,727	£6,863	£6,727	£136	2%	1.02	£136	1%	1.02	£30,576	£31,195	£620	0.99	£30,576	£620
9	% Comp	FMP	0%	£0	£0	£0	£0	0%	0	£0	0%	0	£34,560	£30,607	-£3,953	1	£34,560	-£3,953
10	Physical	ED	14%	£6,727	£6,722	£6,727	-£5	0%	1	-£5	0%	1	£48,047	£48,011	-£36	1	£48,047	-£36



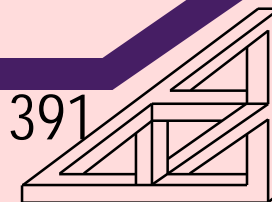
Case-Study: Period-1 Tracked

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- Filtered for “in progress”




Period 1 (Weeks 1 to 4): All OK – To plan so far but company concerns about Tech-I resignations mean finance have directed that Tech-I actual costs will be £32/ hour when we start Tech-I tasks

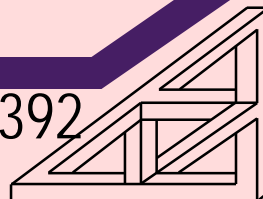


Summary Tasks Inherit CPI/ SPI

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- Note summary tasks 'inherit' summarised task's performance
 - With larger figures larger variance at completion is projected

 Image Buffer XSO		0%	£6,727	£7,596	£6,727	£869	12%	1.13	£869	11%	1.13	£76,301	£86,158	£9,857	0.99	£76,301	£9,857
Image Storage Deig	ISD	50%	£6,727	£7,596	£6,727	£869	12%	1.13	£869	11%	1.13	£13,453	£15,191	£1,738	0.9	£13,453	£1,738
Image Store Fab.	ISFab	0%	£0	£0	£0	£0	0%	0	£0	0%	0	£40,360	£40,360	£0	1	£40,360	£0
Image Store Intg'tn	ISABD	0%	£0	£0	£0	£0	0%	0	£0	0%	0	£2,551	£2,551	£0	1	£2,551	£0

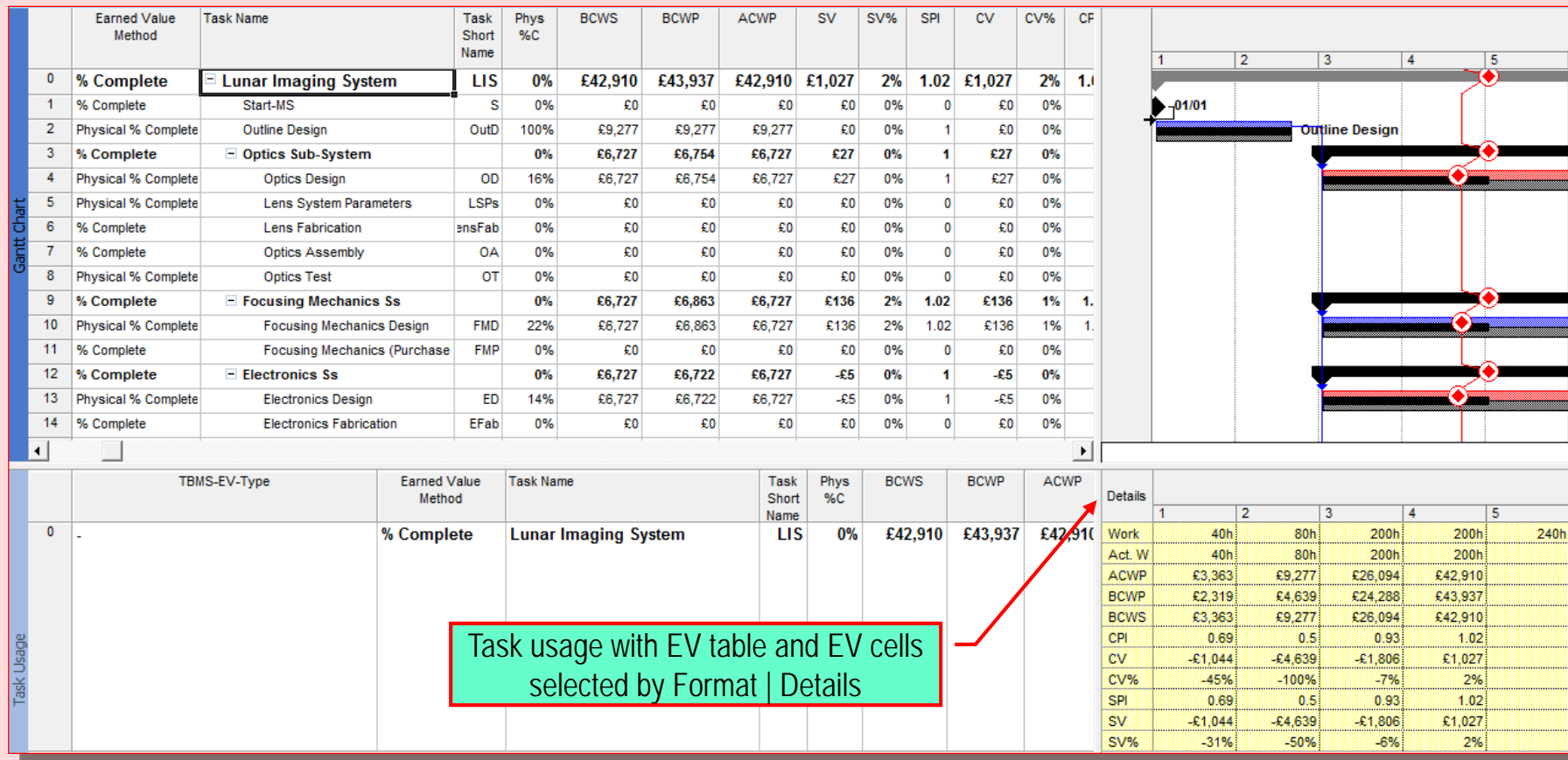




Task Usage With EV in Lower Pane Analyses Selection in Upper Pane

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- In this case the project summary task

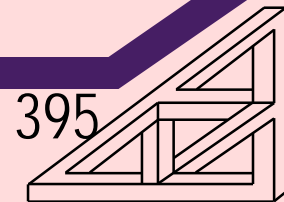




Case-Study-2: Progress Period 2 (Wk 5-8):

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- Our Eng-O assigned to task #2 OD saved two weeks and the DrO resource was available to start early in week 7. OD therefore passed CDR (75% EV) in wk 8
 - Everything else ran to baseline

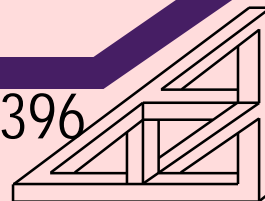




Case-Study: Progress Period 2 (Wk 5-8):

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- Update Status Date (EG 23/2/01)
 - Maybe start with *Tools | Tracking | Update Project | To plan* as a fast update
 - Then select *Task Usage* and update OD Eng-O & DrO *Actual Work* (next slide)
 - Leave “Update task updates resource” ON so early DrO work reduces duration (or turn off & adjust by hand)
 - Watch carefully for MSPJ to remove project wk (PjWk) 13 & 14 from task
 - Set Eng-O *Work* in PjWk 9 & 10 to 0, Set DrO Actual Work in Pj-Wk 7 & 8 to 40
 - Note LFab cannot start early due to SC availability
 - Change *Levelling Delay* or perhaps add a ‘Start no Earlier constraint’ (*Levelling delay* is removed)
 - Perhaps try toggling *Physical % Complete* to *%Complete* on MS-PC tasks
 - Some tasks EG ED that are MS-PC, “between milestones” and on-track can use %Complete for a more precise calculation
 - You may need to re-enter *Physical % Complete* values and use F9 to trigger changes



Case-Study: Period-1 & 2 Tracking OD

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- After Period-1

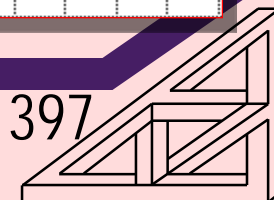
Task Usage	4	Task Name	Total Cost	Baseline	Variance	Actual	Remaining	Details	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
		<input type="checkbox"/> Optics design	£42,210	£42,210	£0	£6,727	£35,483	Work		40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	80h	80h	40h	40h	40h	40h	
		<i>Optical Eng.</i>	£26,906	£26,906	£0	£6,727	£20,180	Act. W		40h	40h											
		<i>Drawing Office</i>	£15,304	£15,304	£0	£0	£15,304	Work		40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h						
								Act. W		40h	40h											

- Default project tracking for Period-2

Task Usage	4	Task Name	Total Cost	Baseline	Variance	Actual	Remaining	Details	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
		<input type="checkbox"/> Optics design	£42,210	£42,210	£0	£20,180	£22,030	Work		40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	80h	80h	40h	40h	40h	40h	
		<i>Optical Eng.</i>	£26,906	£26,906	£0	£20,180	£6,727	Act. W		40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h							
		<i>Drawing Office</i>	£15,304	£15,304	£0	£0	£15,304	Work		40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h						
								Act. W		40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h							

- Adjusted for Period-2 progress report

Task Usage	4	Task Name	Total Cost	Baseline	Variance	Actual	Remaining	Details	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
		<input type="checkbox"/> Optics design	£35,483	£42,210	-£6,727	£25,281	£10,202	Work		40h	40h	40h	40h	80h	80h	40h	40h	40h	40h			
		<i>Optical Eng.</i>	£20,180	£26,906	-£6,727	£20,180	£0	Act. W		40h	40h	40h	40h	80h	80h							
		<i>Drawing Office</i>	£15,304	£15,304	£0	£5,101	£10,202	Work		40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h							
								Act. W		40h	40h	40h	40h	40h	40h							

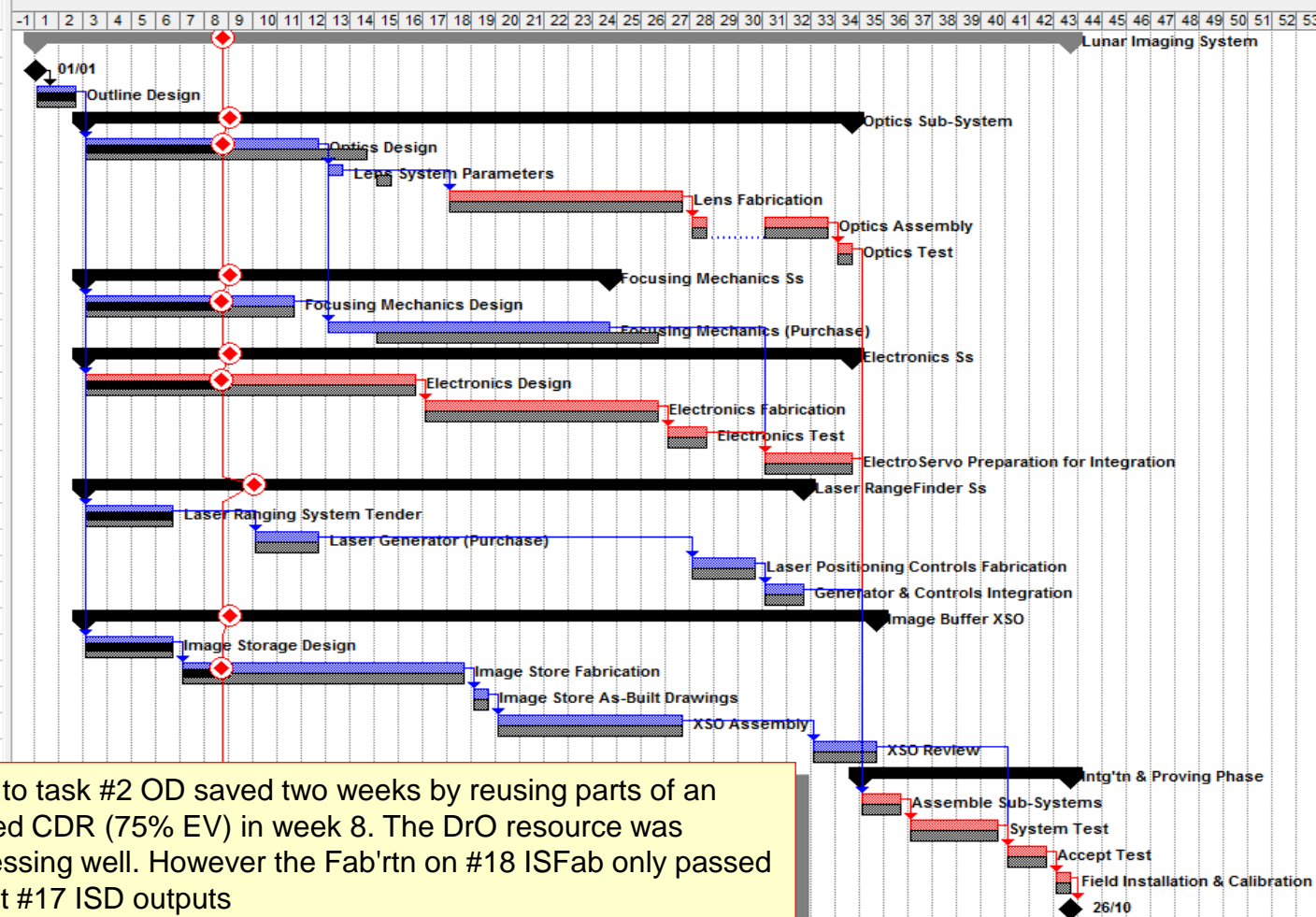




Period-2 Tracked With Phys %C

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	Task Name	Phys %C	BCWS	BCWP	ACWP
0	Lunar Imaging System	0%	£105,188	£116,074	£110,289
1	Start-MS	0%	£0	£0	£0
2	Outline Design	100%	£9,277	£9,277	£9,277
3	Optics Sub-System	0%	£20,180	£31,658	£25,281
4	Optics Design	75%	£20,180	£31,658	£25,281
5	Lens System Parameters	0%	£0	£0	£0
6	Lens Fabrication	0%	£0	£0	£0
7	Optics Assembly	0%	£0	£0	£0
8	Optics Test	0%	£0	£0	£0
9	Focusing Mechanics	0%	£20,180	£20,277	£20,180
10	Focusing Mechanic	65%	£20,180	£20,277	£20,180
11	Focusing Mechanic	0%	£0	£0	£0
12	Electronics Ss	0%	£20,180	£20,165	£20,180
13	Electronics Design	42%	£20,180	£20,165	£20,180
14	Electronics Fabrication	0%	£0	£0	£0
15	Electronics Test	0%	£0	£0	£0
16	ElectroServo Preparation	0%	£0	£0	£0
17	Laser RangeFinder Ss	0%	£13,453	£13,453	£13,453
18	Laser Ranging System Tender	100%	£13,453	£13,453	£13,453
19	Laser Generator (Purchase)	0%	£0	£0	£0
20	Laser Positioning Controls Fabrication	0%	£0	£0	£0
21	Generator & Controls Integration	0%	£0	£0	£0
22	Image Buffer XSO	0%	£21,918	£21,245	£21,918
23	Image Storage Design	100%	£15,191	£15,191	£15,191
24	Image Store Fabrication	15%	£6,727	£6,054	£6,727
25	Image Store As-Built Drawings	0%	£0	£0	£0
26	XSO Assembly	0%	£0	£0	£0
27	XSO Review	0%	£0	£0	£0



Period 2 (Wk 5-8): Our Eng-O assigned to task #2 OD saved two weeks by reusing parts of an older, proven design. OD therefore passed CDR (75% EV) in week 8. The DrO resource was available in week 7 and so we are progressing well. However the Fab'rtn on #18 ISFab only passed SG1 with reservation and concerns about #17 ISD outputs

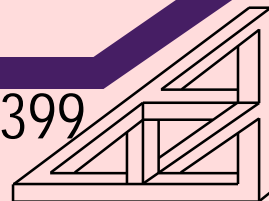




Case-Study-3: Period 3 (Wks 9-12) Progress Report

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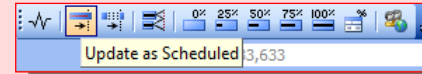
- Status Report
 - OD finished Wk12
 - An Eng-O was needed on #18 ISFab in weeks 11 & 12 to correct issues, and SG-2 review will now be held week 13 – EV remains 15%
 - Everything else is to plan
- Try deciding how to track with out further instructions
 - Instructions are given on following slides



Case-Study: Period 3 (Wks 9-12) Tracking Instructions

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- Tracking: Start by setting the status date! (EG 23/3/01)
 - Mark OD 100% Complete (Perhaps via *Tracking Toolbar?*) & Phys.%C
 - Set FMD to be 100% Complete & P%C
 - Track ED as scheduled
 - Previously given EV table shows ED is 70.05% Phys%C
 - Note £25 variance between spreadsheet and MSPJ's calculation



9	Period Cost	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	3363.3	5913.9	2550.6	2550.6	
ED	Cumulative Cost	3363.3	6726.6	10089.9	13453.2	16816.5	20179.8	23543.1	26906.4	30269.7	33633	36996.3	42910.2	45460.8	48011.4	
		7.01%	14.01%	21.02%	28.02%	35.03%	42.03%	49.04%	56.04%	63.05%	70.05%	77.06%	89.38%	94.69%	100.00%	
	Milestones PC	20% PDR										70% CDR			100% PRR	

- Set LGP 100% Complete & P%C

- Tracking Instructions continued
 - Assign an Eng-O to ISFab
 - MSPJ will assume full time for full duration so correct MSPJ's work calculation via Task-Usage (or Resource Usage) and restore Fab'rtn Dept's planned work

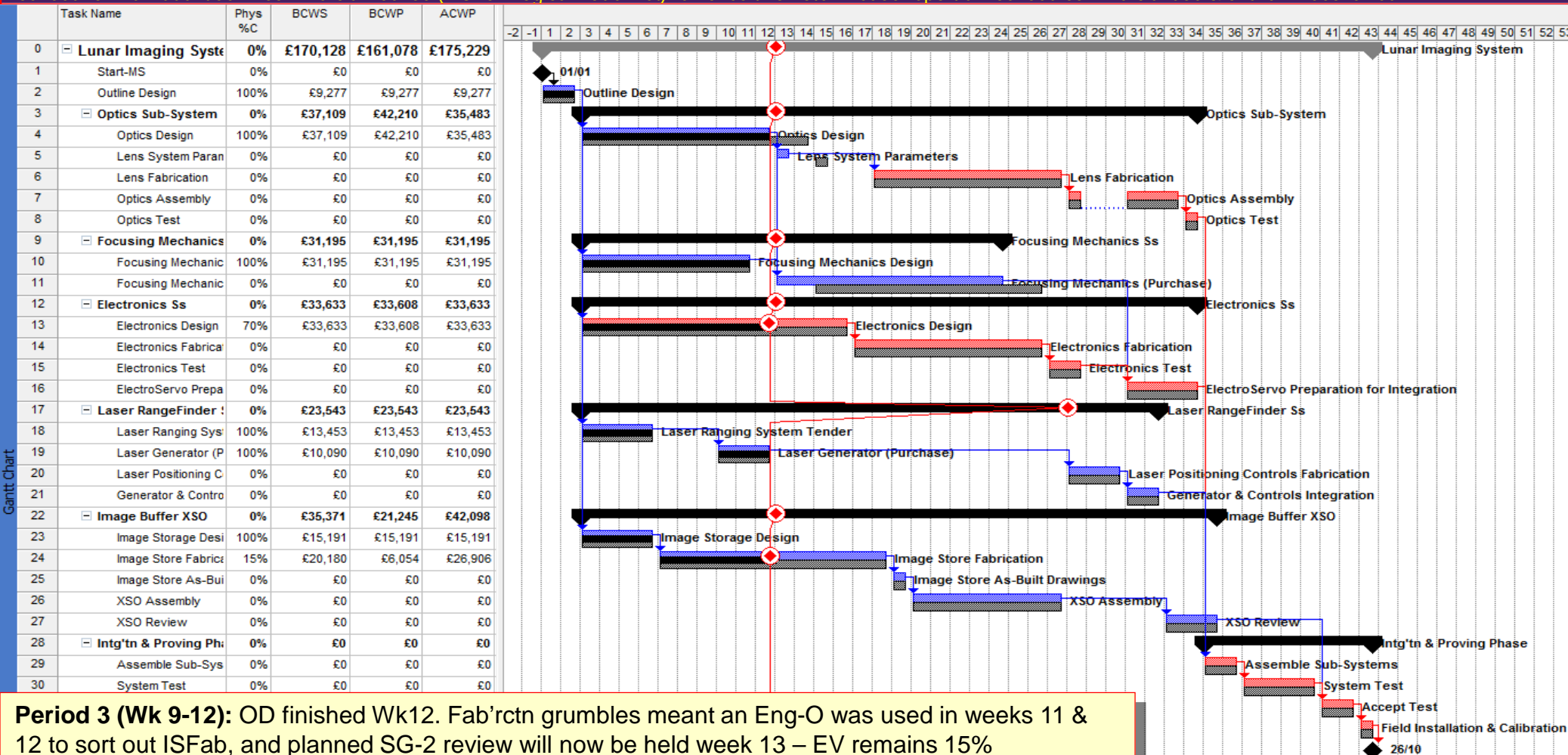
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- Then track Fab'rtn Dept. effort for weeks 9 to 12



Case-Study: Period-3 Tracked

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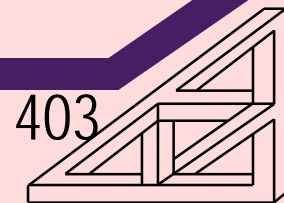
Period 3 (Wk 9-12): OD finished Wk12. Fab'rctn grumbles meant an Eng-O was used in weeks 11 & 12 to sort out ISFab, and planned SG-2 review will now be held week 13 – EV remains 15%



Case-Study-4: Progress Report Period-4 (wks13-16)

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- Status report
 - When OD finished early we couldn't pass both weeks gained to LSPs, but were able to start 1 week earlier than planned
 - FMP was able to start 2 Wks early (at the Tech-I's increased rate of £2,880)
 - ED finished week 16
 - Extra Eng-O on ISFab was reclaimed by their project first thing Monday week13 (i.e. no further actual cost) and then Fab'rtn Dept's inspection team failed ISFab at delayed Stage Gate-2!
 - ISD must be redone (original resources & duration again!) to provide fit inputs
 - Re-run of ISD is now half-way through and expected to finish week 18
 - ISFab's Fab'rtn resource has continued to book full-time to ISFab despite no progress possible until ISD completes. Completion now expected week 25 with resultant schedule impact to dependant activities

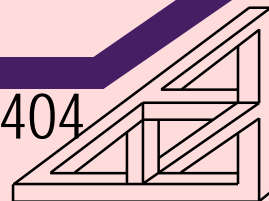




Case-Study: Tracking Period-4 (wks13-16):

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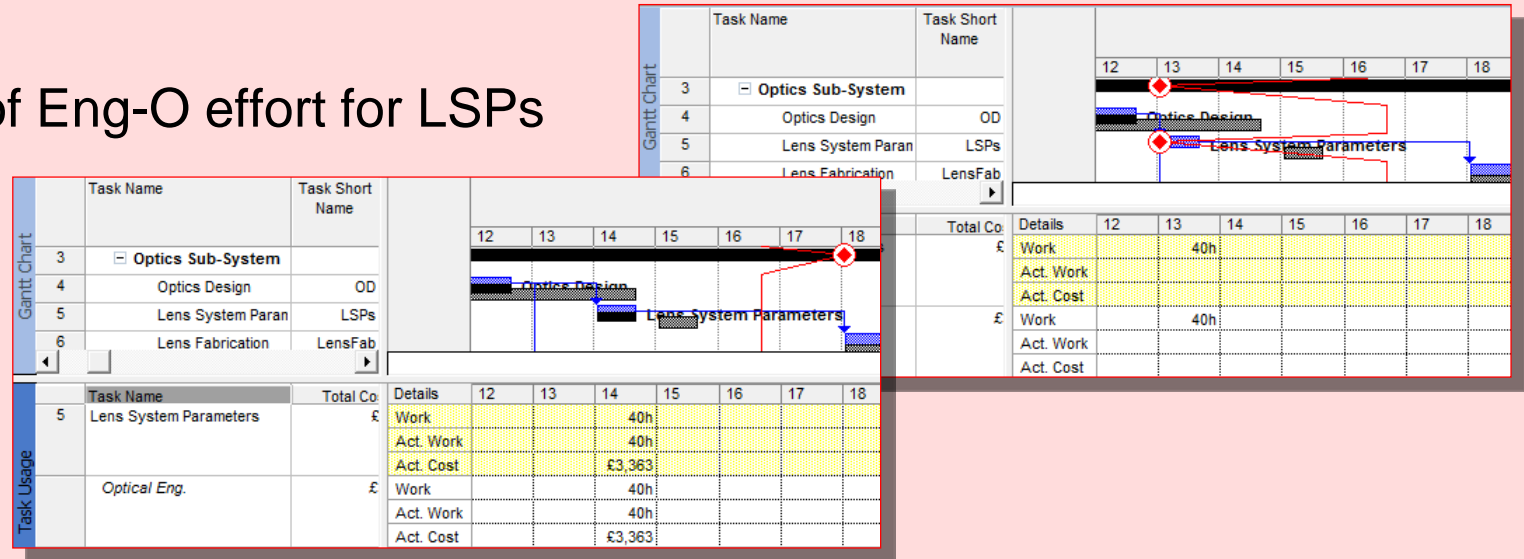
- Tracking: Update *Status Date* !
 - Try before looking at hints on subsequent slides



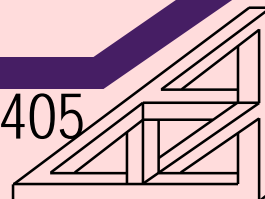
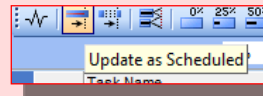
Case-Study: Tracking Period-4 (wks13-16):

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- Tracking Cont.
 - Track 40hr of Eng-O effort for LSPs in week 14



- Early completion of OD and available Tech-I allows FMP to start Wk 13
- ED Completes as Scheduled

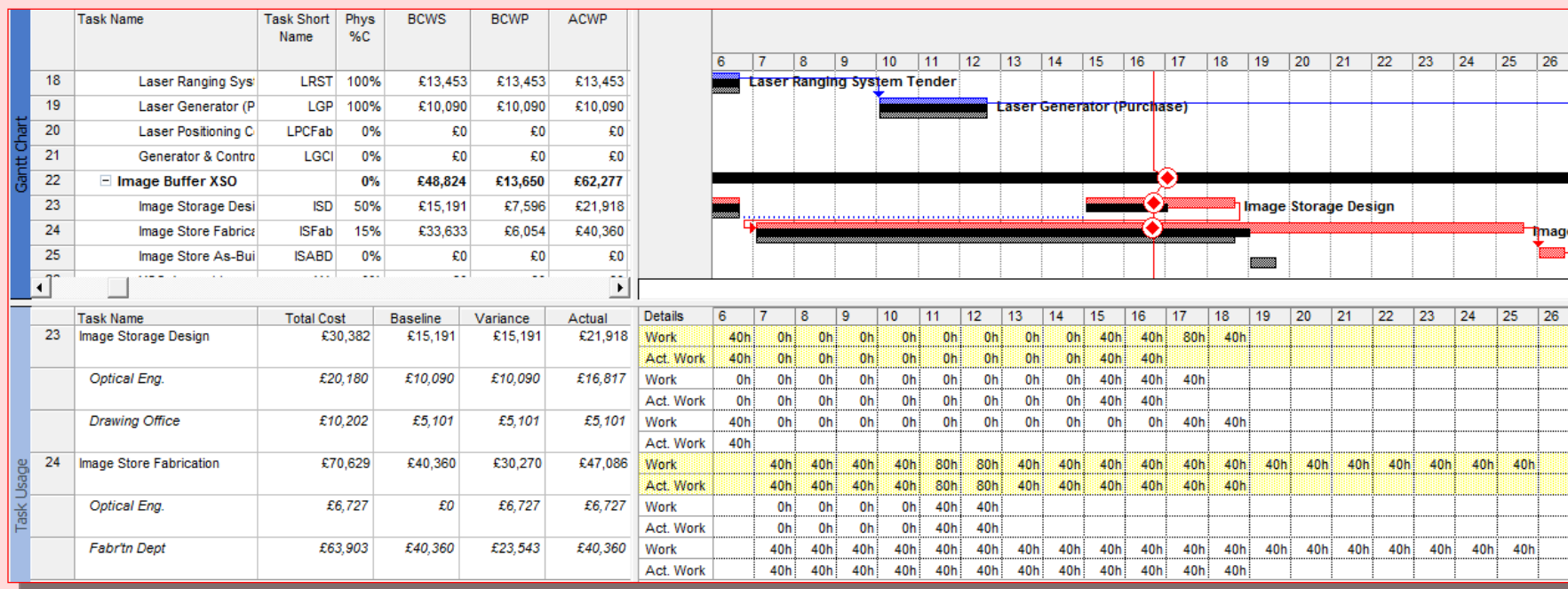




Case-Study: Tracking Period-4 ISFab Issues

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- Tracking continued
- ISD Restarts (EV drops back to 50%) with 3Wks Eng-O and 2Wks DrO
 - ISFab work rescheduled and Fab'rtn time booked



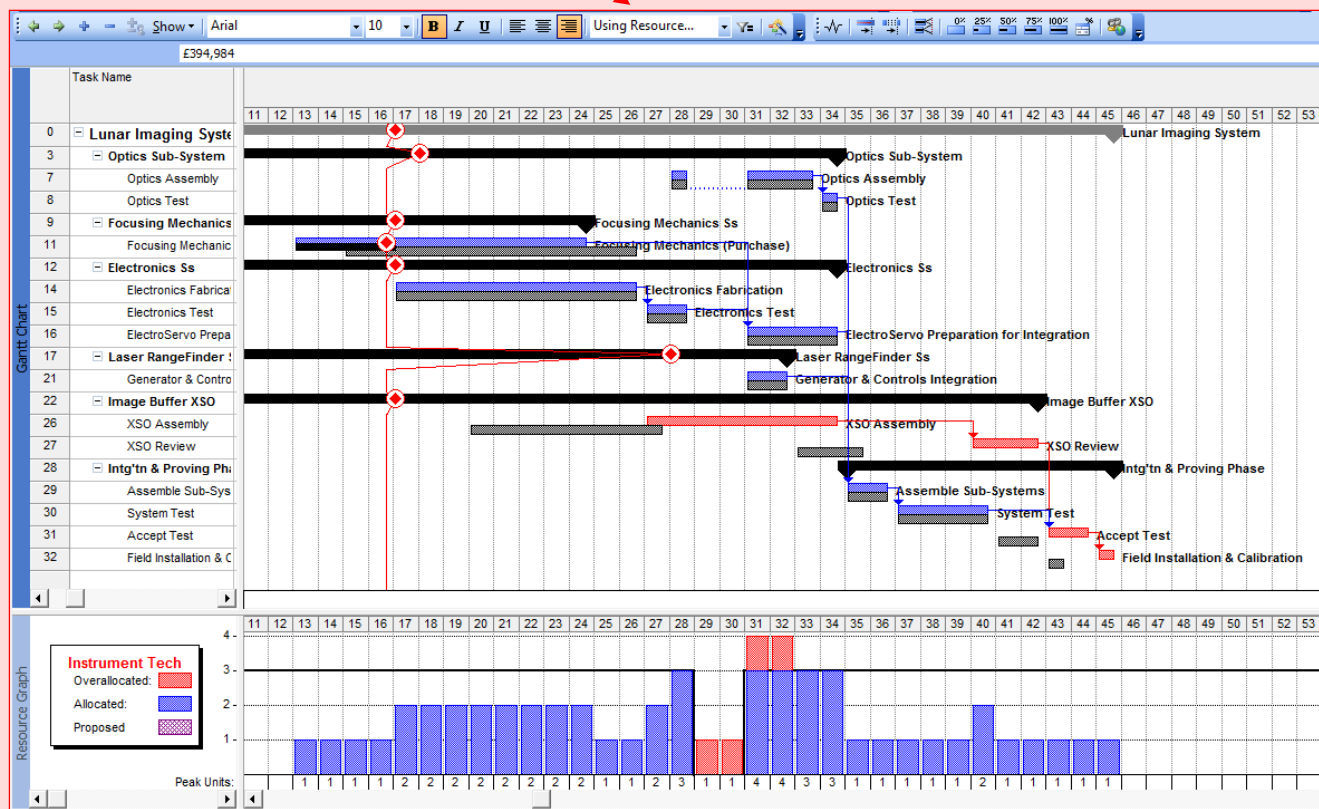
Case-Study: At Period-4 Part Tracked

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- Rescheduling of work has created over-allocations for the Tech-I

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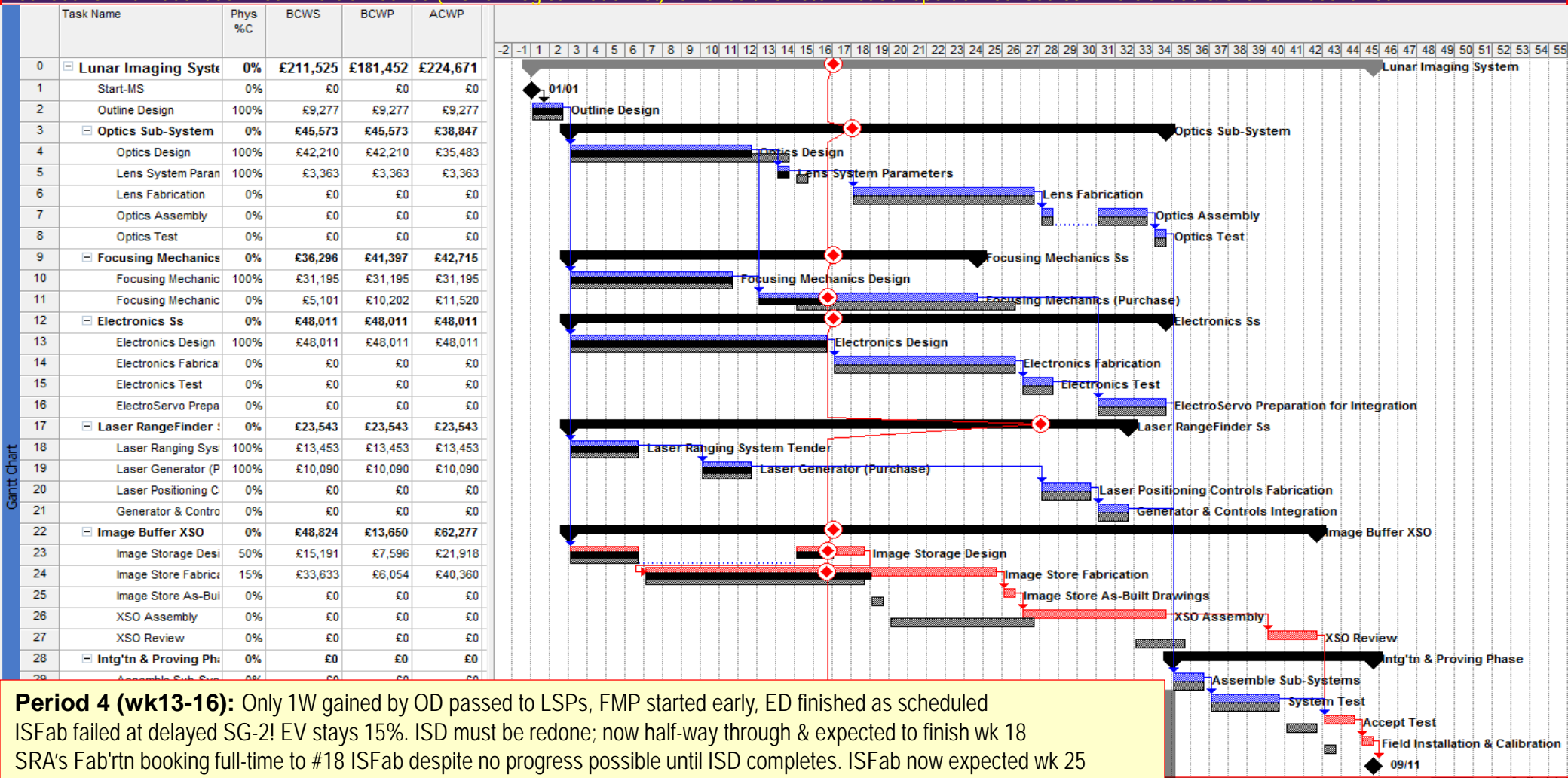
- Tech-I over-load may NOT be worth resolving this period





Case-Study: Period-4 Tracked

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Case-Study-5: Progress Report Period-5 (Wks17-20)

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- Status

- LensFab started according to contracted dates (IE schedule advances in earlier work lost)
 - The S-C on LensFab has charged £5k/week rather than baseline £3k reporting poor input documents from us causing costs
 - Their EV system reports BCWP of 6k (IE 20% of task BAC)

4	Period Cost	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000			
LensFab	Cumulative Cost	3000	6000	9000	12000	15000	18000	21000	24000	27000	30000			
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- Outlook is £75,000 at completion

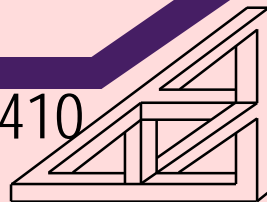
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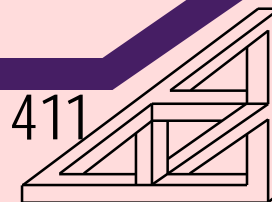
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- ISD re-run completed wk 18
- Original Fab'rtn resource charged to ISFab for full period
 - Fab'rtn Dept doubled resources (and costs) assigned to ISFab when ISD completed
 - Expected completion date still Wk 25 (Costs therefore escalating)
 - Consider if you want to amend Fab'rtn units to 200% in
Resource Information / General / Resource Availability
 - ISFab SG-2 (50% Milestone) passed at second attempt on Friday week 20
- Everything else (FMP and EFab) ran to revised plan





- ISFab period-4: Expected end week 25 and 840hrs work

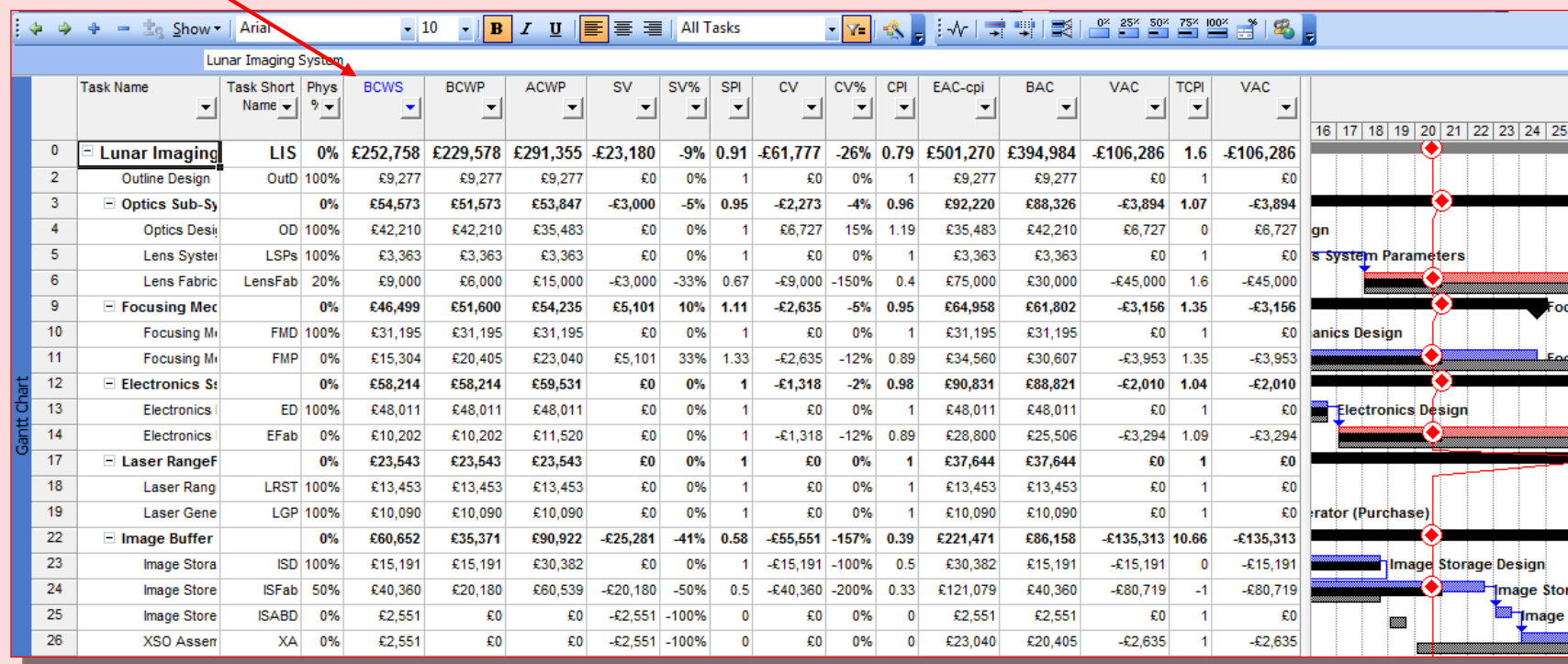




Case-Study: Period-5 EV Summary

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IE Should have started by now

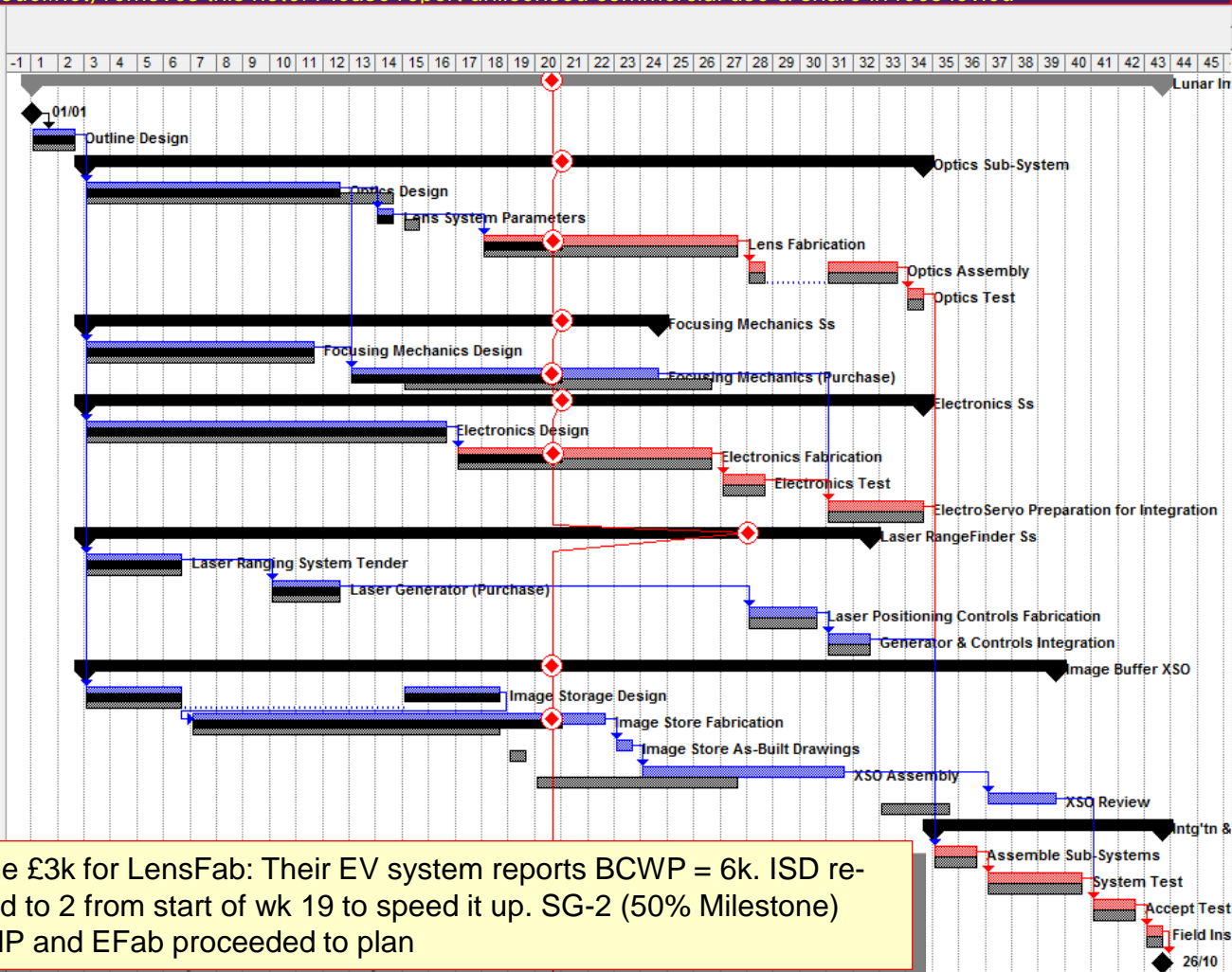




Case-Study: Period-5 Cost & Schedule Overview

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	Task Name	Total Cost	Baseline	Variance	Actual	Remaining
0	[-] Lunar Imaging System	£477,835	£394,984	£82,851	£291,355	£186,481
1	Start-MS	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0
2	Outline Design	£9,277	£9,277	£0	£9,277	£0
3	[-] Optics Sub-System	£103,247	£88,326	£14,920	£53,847	£49,400
4	Optics Design	£35,483	£42,210	-£6,727	£35,483	£0
5	Lens System Parameters	£3,363	£3,363	£0	£3,363	£0
6	Lens Fabrication	£50,000	£30,000	£20,000	£15,000	£35,000
7	Optics Assembly	£11,520	£10,202	£1,318	£0	£11,520
8	Optics Test	£2,880	£2,551	£329	£0	£2,880
9	[-] Focusing Mechanics	£65,755	£61,802	£3,953	£54,235	£11,520
10	Focusing Mechanic	£31,195	£31,195	£0	£31,195	£0
11	Focusing Mechanic	£34,560	£30,607	£3,953	£23,040	£11,520
12	[-] Electronics Ss	£94,091	£88,821	£5,270	£59,531	£34,560
13	Electronics Design	£48,011	£48,011	£0	£48,011	£0
14	Electronics Fabrica	£28,800	£25,506	£3,294	£11,520	£17,280
15	Electronics Test	£5,760	£5,101	£659	£0	£5,760
16	ElectroServo Prepa	£11,520	£10,202	£1,318	£0	£11,520
17	[-] Laser RangeFinder Ss	£44,303	£37,644	£6,659	£23,543	£20,760
18	Laser Ranging Sys	£13,453	£13,453	£0	£13,453	£0
19	Laser Generator (P	£10,090	£10,090	£0	£10,090	£0
20	Laser Positioning C	£15,000	£9,000	£6,000	£0	£15,000
21	Generator & Contro	£5,760	£5,101	£659	£0	£5,760
22	[-] Image Buffer XSO	£135,242	£86,158	£49,084	£90,922	£44,321
23	Image Storage Desi	£30,382	£15,191	£15,191	£30,382	£0
24	Image Store Fabrica	£70,629	£40,360	£30,270	£60,539	£10,090
25	Image Store As-Bui	£2,551	£2,551	£0	£0	£2,551
26	XSO Assembly	£23,040	£20,405	£2,635	£0	£23,040
27	XSO Review	£8,640	£7,652	£988	£0	£8,640
28	[-] Intg'n & Proving Ph	£25,920	£22,955	£2,965	£0	£25,920



Period 5 (17-20): S-C charged £5k/wk not the baseline £3k for LensFab: Their EV system reports BCWP = 6k. ISD re-run completed wk 18. Fab'rtn resource on ISFab raised to 2 from start of wk 19 to speed it up. SG-2 (50% Milestone) was passed at second attempt on Friday week 20. FMP and EFab proceeded to plan



Case-Study-6: Status Report Period-6 (Wks21-24)

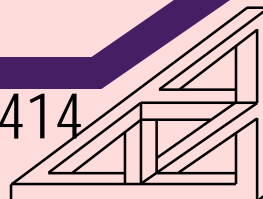
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- Status

- LensFab continuing to cost £5k/wk: S-C's EV system reports £14.1k BCWP

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LensFab	Cumulative Cost	3000	6000	9000	12000	15000	18000	21000	24000	27000	30000			
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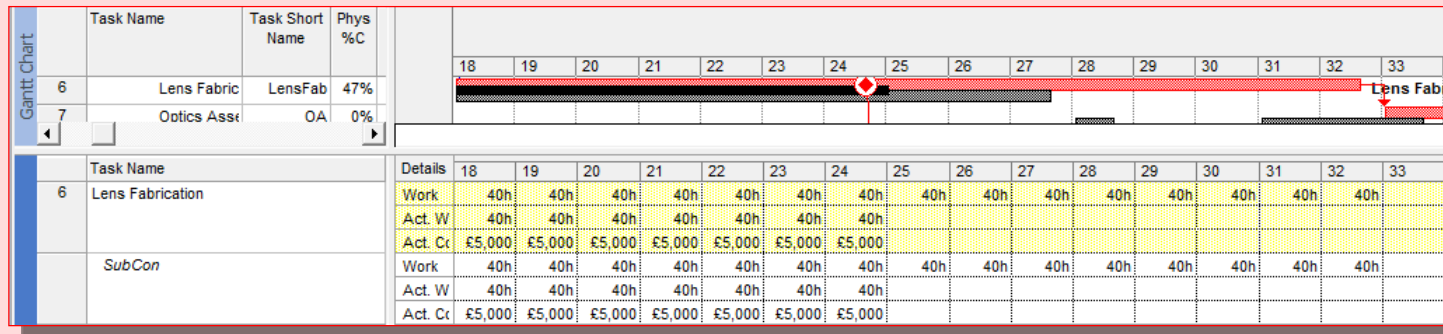
- Sub-con report they expect to conclude in week 32
- Subsequent work assigned to the S-C (Laser Positioning Controls Fabrication (LPCFab)) will therefore be delayed due to resource constraints
- Subsequent Tech-I work on OA no longer spans weeks 29 and 30 however XA does now fall across wks 29 & 30
- Despite doubled resources ISFab only passed SG-3 (80% EV) Friday week 23 and is now expected to finish wk 25 with 2 full-time Fab'rtn Dept staff assigned
- Tracking: First set Status Date (EG 15/6/01)
 - Tech-I and SC over-allocations now need to be addressed
 - Try to do tracking before looking at following slides



Case-Study: Tracking Period-6 (Wks21-24):

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- Tracking LensFab
 - Update as scheduled if you amended rate to £5k/wk otherwise track 4wks at 66.67 hrs
 - Ensure LensFab Phys%C and P%C reflect 14.1k of task-BAC
 - Extend S-C's assignment to week 32

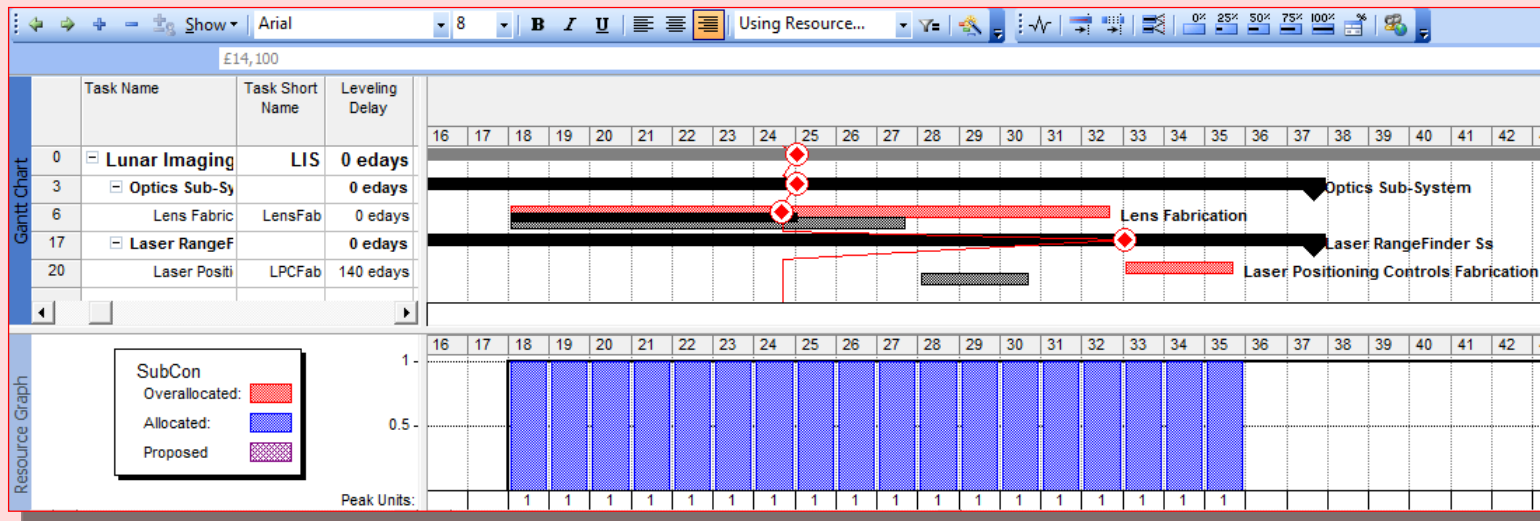


- Deal with delay to, and Sub Contractor resourcing on LPCFab
 - Hint-1 *Split screen Gantt and Resource Graph & Filter tasks*
 - Hint-2 LPCFab already has 105d Levelling Delay from initial levelling
 - Try making corrections before looking at next slide

Case-Study: Period-6 S-C Issues

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- Dealing with the Sub contractor's over-allocation on LPCFab
 - The LPCFab task could be given 5 weeks extra *Levelling Delay* now 140 days

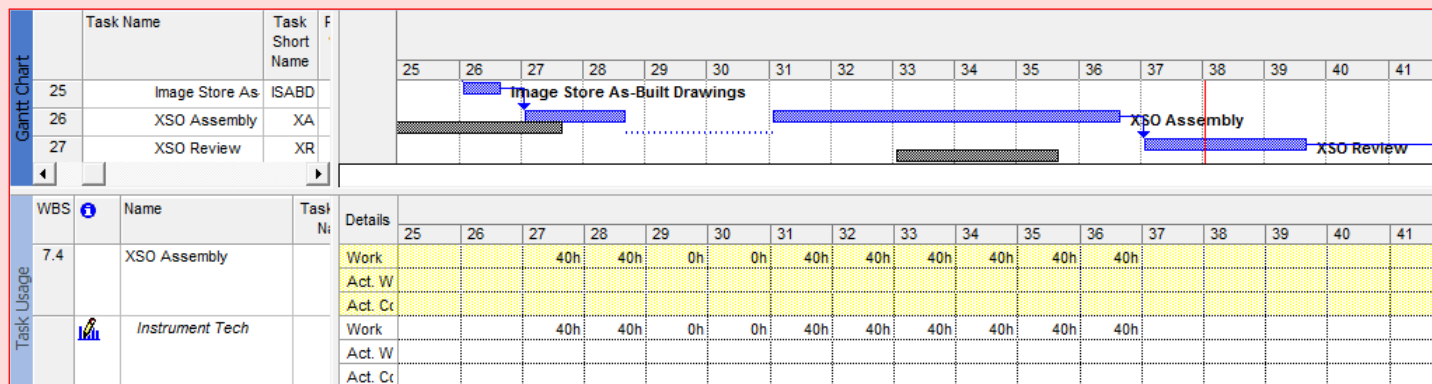


- Alternatively
 - The S-C's assignment to LPCFab can be delayed by 25 days
 - (Or a 'dependency' could be added between the two tasks)

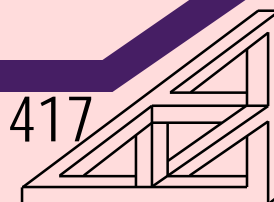
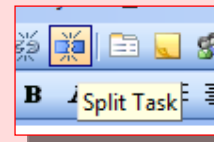
Case-Study: Period 6 Tech-I Allocation

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- Subsequent Tech-I work on OA no longer spans weeks 29 and 30 however XA does now fall across wks 29 & 30



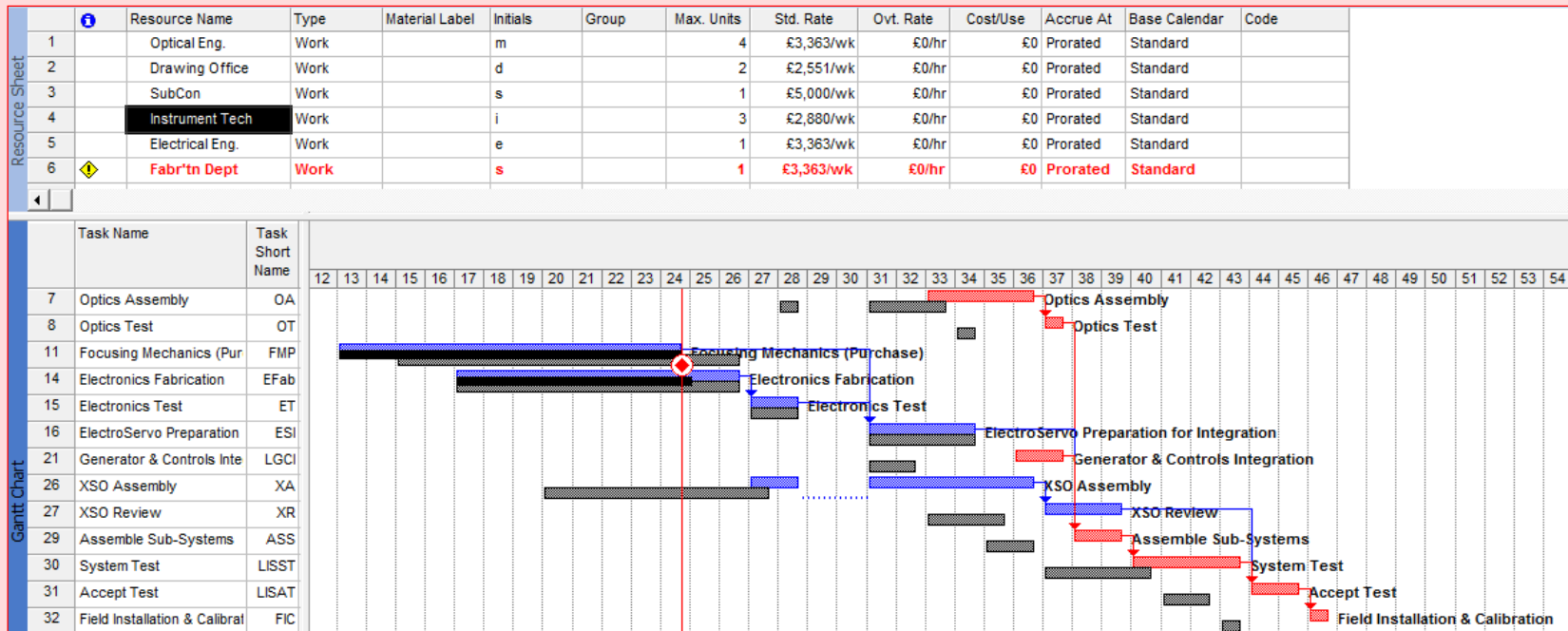
- Edit the resource assignment or use the Split-task button and split-task cursor



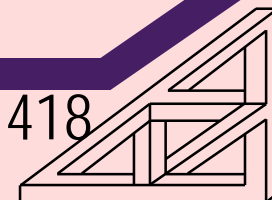
Case-Study: Period-6 Tech-I Allocation Alternate Layout

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- An alternate view layout to see and manage overallocations
 - Tech-I Scheduled to XA now 'working' wks 29 & 30
 - OA no longer requires split



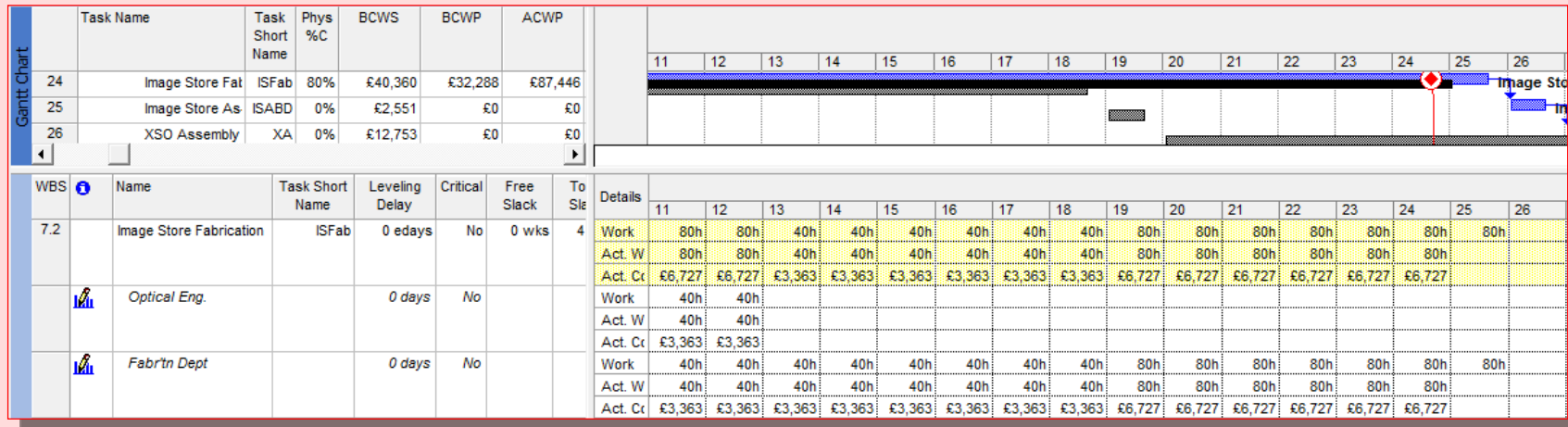
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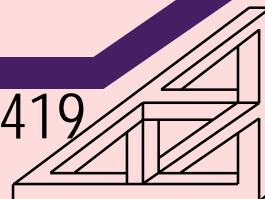
Case-Study: Period 6 ISFab

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- Despite doubled resources ISFab only passed SG-3 (80% EV) Friday week 23 and is now expected to finish wk 25 with 2 full-time Fab'rtn Dept staff assigned
 - NOTE: Additional Fab'rtn resource \therefore 80hrs charged / Wk
- Set ISFab Phys %C to 80%

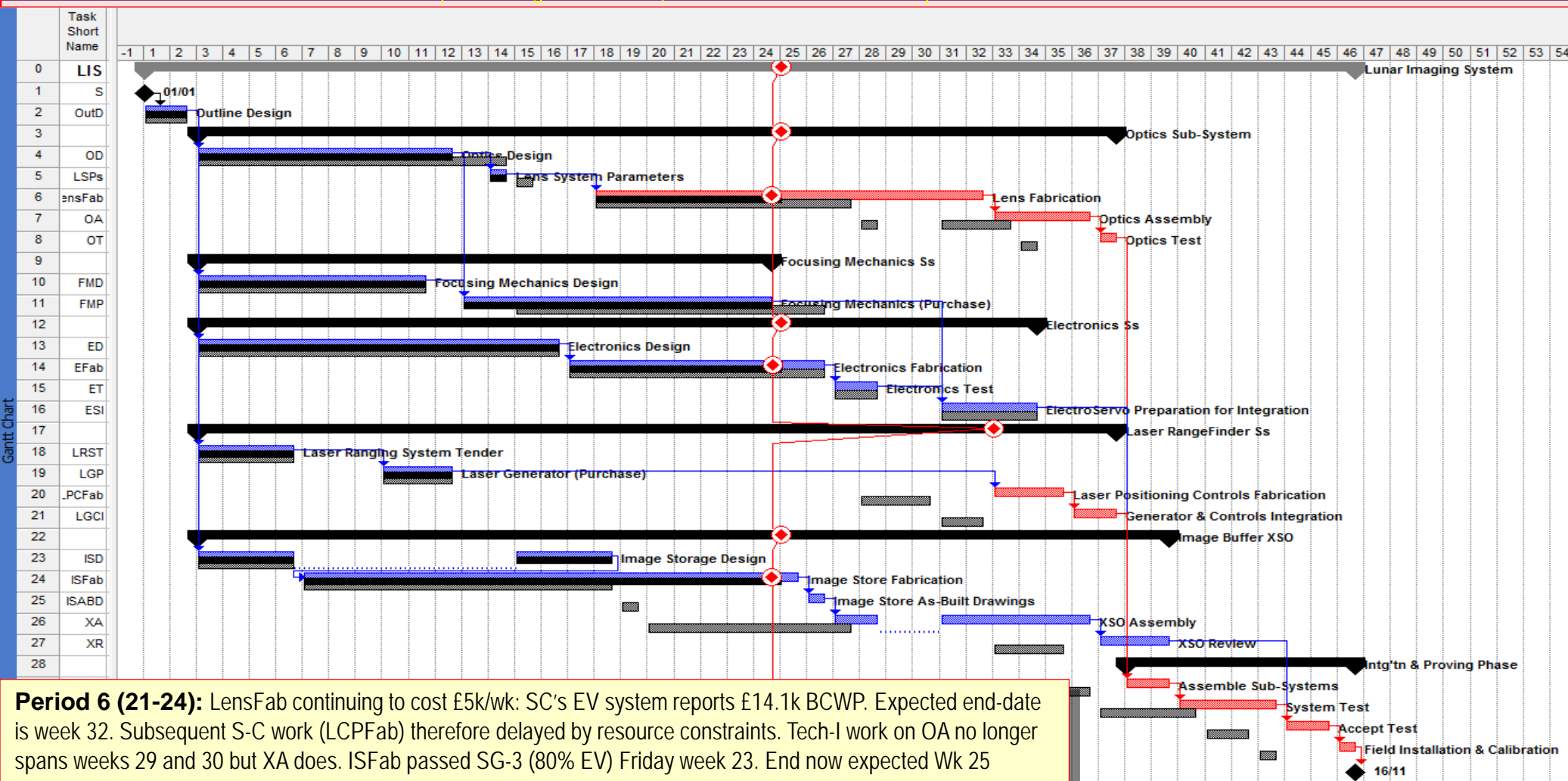


- FMP and EFab progressed as 'now planned'



Case-Study: Period-6 Schedule Summary

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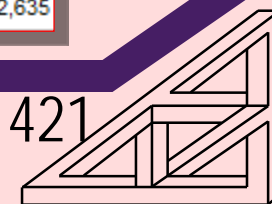




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Gantt Chart		Task Sh Name	Phys %	BCWS	BCWP	ACWP	SV	SV%	SPI	CV	CV%	CPI	EAC-cpi	BAC	VAC	TCPI	VAC
	0	LIS	0%	£295,365	£270,191	£361,301	-£25,174	-8%	0.91	-£91,111	-33%	0.75	£528,176	£394,984	-£133,192	3.7	-£133,192
	2	OutD	100%	£9,277	£9,277	£9,277	£0	0%	1	£0	0%	1	£9,277	£9,277	£0	1	£0
	3		0%	£66,573	£59,673	£73,847	-£6,900	-10%	0.9	-£14,173	-23%	0.81	£109,305	£88,326	-£20,979	1.98	-£20,979
	4	OD	100%	£42,210	£42,210	£35,483	£0	0%	1	£6,727	15%	1.19	£35,483	£42,210	£6,727	0	£6,727
	5	LSPs	100%	£3,363	£3,363	£3,363	£0	0%	1	£0	0%	1	£3,363	£3,363	£0	1	£0
	6	ansFab	47%	£21,000	£14,100	£35,000	-£6,900	-32%	0.67	-£20,900	-148%	0.4	£74,468	£30,000	-£44,468	-3.18	-£44,468
	9		0%	£56,701	£61,802	£65,755	£5,101	8%	1.09	-£3,953	-6%	0.94	£65,755	£61,802	-£3,953	0	-£3,953
	10	FMD	100%	£31,195	£31,195	£31,195	£0	0%	1	£0	0%	1	£31,195	£31,195	£0	1	£0
	11	FMP	0%	£25,506	£30,607	£34,560	£5,101	20%	1.2	-£3,953	-12%	0.89	£34,560	£30,607	-£3,953	0	-£3,953
	12		0%	£68,416	£68,416	£71,051	£0	0%	1	-£2,635	-3%	0.96	£92,242	£88,821	-£3,421	1.15	-£3,421
	13	ED	100%	£48,011	£48,011	£48,011	£0	0%	1	£0	0%	1	£48,011	£48,011	£0	1	£0
	14	EFab	0%	£20,405	£20,405	£23,040	£0	0%	1	-£2,635	-12%	0.89	£28,800	£25,506	-£3,294	2.07	-£3,294
	17		0%	£23,543	£23,543	£23,543	£0	0%	1	£0	0%	1	£37,644	£37,644	£0	1	£0
	18	LRST	100%	£13,453	£13,453	£13,453	£0	0%	1	£0	0%	1	£13,453	£13,453	£0	1	£0
	19	LGP	100%	£10,090	£10,090	£10,090	£0	0%	1	£0	0%	1	£10,090	£10,090	£0	1	£0
	22		0%	£70,854	£47,479	£117,828	-£23,376	-32%	0.67	-£70,349	-148%	0.4	£213,818	£86,158	-£127,660	-1.22	-£127,660
	23	ISD	100%	£15,191	£15,191	£30,382	£0	0%	1	-£15,191	-100%	0.5	£30,382	£15,191	-£15,191	0	-£15,191
	24	ISFab	80%	£40,360	£32,288	£87,446	-£8,072	-20%	0.8	-£55,158	-170%	0.37	£109,307	£40,360	-£68,948	-0.17	-£68,948
25	ISABD	0%	£2,551	£0	£0	-£2,551	-100%	0	£0	0%	0	£2,551	£2,551	£0	1	£0	
26	XA	0%	£12,753	£0	£0	-£12,753	-100%	0	£0	0%	0	£23,040	£20,405	-£2,635	1	-£2,635	

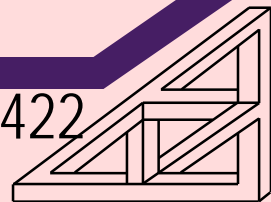


Case-Study-7: Period-7 (Wks25-28)

Status Report

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- Status
 - S-C site visit held. S-C showed that OD provided an inappropriate design
 - LensFab current status is BCWP = 22k (73.3% complete)
 - Delivery still scheduled for Friday Wk 32
 - Focus on LensFab & LCPFab resulted in EFab not being monitored closely enough and overran by 1 wk and resulted in...
 - ...ET now scheduled when Tech-I's are unavailable, worse! Yet...
 - ...ET is EV-Type 0-100 and split across reporting period
- Tracking: Set Status Date (EG 13/7/01)
 - Update OD 'to schedule', set Phys%C to 73% (£21,900)
 - OD can be set to %C for the actual 73.3% and remove incorrect £100 variance)
 - Track EFab into Wk27
 - Track ISFab, ISABD and XA 'to schedule'

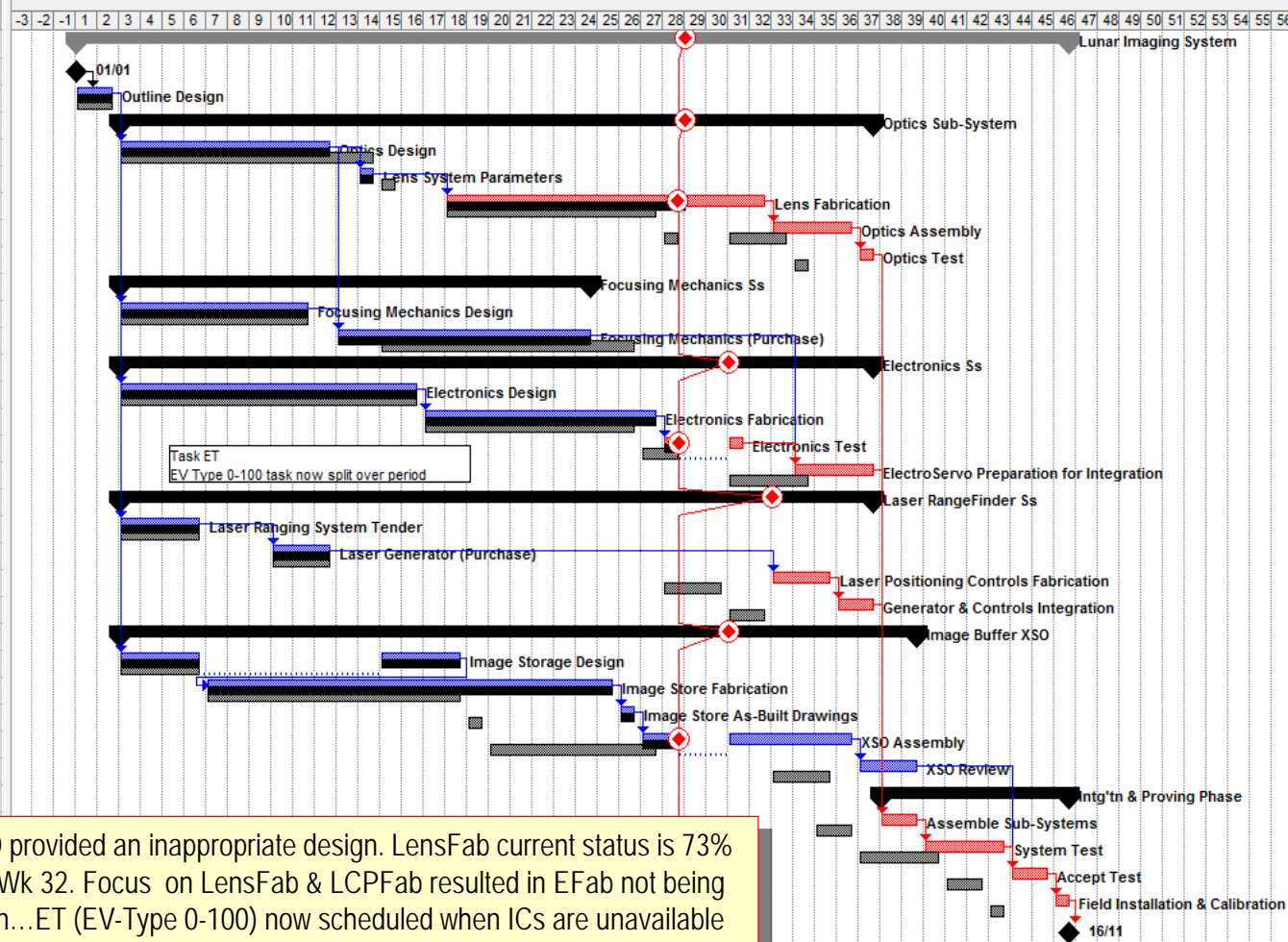




Case-Study: Period-7 Summary

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Task Name	Short Name	Phys %C	BCWS	BCWP	ACWP
0 Lunar Imaging System	LIS	0%	£332,871	£298,916	£407,859
1 Start-MS	S	0%	£0	£0	£0
2 Outline Design	OutD	100%	£9,277	£9,277	£9,277
3 Optics Sub-System		0%	£78,124	£67,573	£93,847
4 Optics Design	OD	100%	£42,210	£42,210	£35,483
5 Lens System Parameters	LSPs	100%	£3,363	£3,363	£3,363
6 Lens Fabrication	lsFab	73%	£30,000	£22,000	£55,000
7 Optics Assembly	OA	0%	£2,551	£0	£0
8 Optics Test	OT	0%	£0	£0	£0
9 Focusing Mechanics Ss		0%	£61,802	£61,802	£65,755
10 Focusing Mechanics Design	FMD	100%	£31,195	£31,195	£31,195
11 Focusing Mechanics (Purchase)	FMP	0%	£30,607	£30,607	£34,560
12 Electronics Ss		0%	£78,619	£73,517	£82,571
13 Electronics Design	ED	100%	£48,011	£48,011	£48,011
14 Electronics Fabrication	EFab	0%	£25,506	£25,506	£31,680
15 Electronics Test	ET	0%	£5,101	£0	£2,880
16 ElectroServo Preparation for Integration	ESI	0%	£0	£0	£0
17 Laser RangeFinder Ss		0%	£26,543	£23,543	£23,543
18 Laser Ranging System Tender	LRST	0%	£13,453	£13,453	£13,453
19 Laser Generator (Purchase)	LGP	100%	£10,090	£10,090	£10,090
20 Laser Positioning Controls Fabrication	PCFab	0%	£3,000	£0	£0
21 Generator & Controls Integration	LGCI	0%	£0	£0	£0
22 Image Buffer XSO		0%	£78,506	£63,203	£132,865
23 Image Storage Design	ISD	100%	£15,191	£15,191	£30,382
24 Image Store Fabrication	ISFab	100%	£40,360	£40,360	£94,172
25 Image Store As-Built Drawings	SABD	100%	£2,551	£2,551	£2,551
26 XSO Assembly	XA	0%	£20,405	£5,101	£5,760
27 XSO Review	XR	0%	£0	£0	£0
28 Intg'n & Proving Phase		0%	£0	£0	£0



Period 7 (25-28): S-C site visit held. S-C showed that OD provided an inappropriate design. LensFab current status is 73% complete (BCWP = 21.9k), Delivery still scheduled for Friday Wk 32. Focus on LensFab & LCPFab resulted in EFab not being monitored closely enough and overran by 1 wk and resulted in...ET (EV-Type 0-100) now scheduled when ICs are unavailable

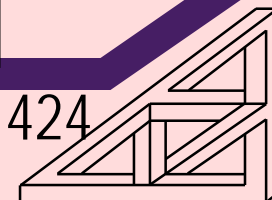




Case-Study: Period-7 MSPJ EV Full Figures

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Earned Value Method	Task Name	Short Name	Phys %C	BCWS	BCWP	ACWP	SV	SV%	SPI	CV	CV%	CPI	EAC-cpi	BAC	VAC	TCPI	VAC
% Complete	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lunar Imaging System	LIS	0%	£332,871	£298,816	£407,859	-£34,055	-10%	0.9	-£109,043	-36%	0.73	£539,121	£394,984	-£144,137	-7.47	-£144,137
% Complete	Start-MS	S	0%	£0	£0	£0	£0	0%	0	£0	0%	0	£0	£0	£0	0	£0
Physical % Complete	Outline Design	OutD	100%	£9,277	£9,277	£9,277	£0	0%	1	£0	0%	1	£9,277	£9,277	£0	1	£0
% Complete	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Optics Sub-System		0%	£78,124	£67,473	£93,847	-£10,651	-13%	0.86	-£26,373	-39%	0.72	£122,851	£88,326	-£34,524	-3.78	-£34,524
Physical % Complete	Optics Design	OD	100%	£42,210	£42,210	£35,483	£0	0%	1	£6,727	15%	1.19	£35,483	£42,210	£6,727	0	£6,727
Physical % Complete	Lens System Parameters	LSPs	100%	£3,363	£3,363	£3,363	£0	0%	1	£0	0%	1	£3,363	£3,363	£0	1	£0
Physical % Complete	Lens Fabrication	lsFab	73%	£30,000	£21,900	£55,000	-£8,100	-27%	0.73	-£33,100	-151%	0.4	£75,343	£30,000	-£45,343	-0.32	-£45,343
% Complete	Optics Assembly	OA	0%	£2,551	£0	£0	-£2,551	-100%	0	£0	0%	0	£11,520	£10,202	-£1,318	1	-£1,318
Physical % Complete	Optics Test	OT	0%	£0	£0	£0	£0	0%	0	£0	0%	0	£2,880	£2,551	-£329	1	-£329
% Complete	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Focusing Mechanics Ss		0%	£61,802	£61,802	£65,755	£0	0%	1	-£3,953	-6%	0.94	£65,755	£61,802	-£3,953	0	-£3,953
Physical % Complete	Focusing Mechanics Design	FMD	100%	£31,195	£31,195	£31,195	£0	0%	1	£0	0%	1	£31,195	£31,195	£0	1	£0
% Complete	Focusing Mechanics (Purchase)	FMP	0%	£30,607	£30,607	£34,560	£0	0%	1	-£3,953	-12%	0.89	£34,560	£30,607	-£3,953	0	-£3,953
% Complete	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Electronics Ss		0%	£78,619	£73,517	£82,571	-£5,101	-6%	0.94	-£9,054	-12%	0.89	£99,760	£88,821	-£10,939	2.45	-£10,939
Physical % Complete	Electronics Design	ED	100%	£48,011	£48,011	£48,011	£0	0%	1	£0	0%	1	£48,011	£48,011	£0	1	£0
% Complete	Electronics Fabrication	EFab	0%	£25,506	£25,506	£31,680	£0	0%	1	-£6,174	-24%	0.81	£31,680	£25,506	-£6,174	0	-£6,174
Physical % Complete	Electronics Test	ET	0%	£5,101	£0	£2,880	-£5,101	-100%	0	-£2,880	0%	0	£5,760	£5,101	-£659	2.3	-£659
Physical % Complete	ElectroServo Preparation for Integration	ESI	0%	£0	£0	£0	£0	0%	0	£0	0%	0	£11,520	£10,202	-£1,318	1	-£1,318
% Complete	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Laser RangeFinder Ss		0%	£26,543	£23,543	£23,543	-£3,000	-11%	0.89	£0	0%	1	£37,644	£37,644	£0	1	£0
% Complete	Laser Ranging System Tender	LRST	0%	£13,453	£13,453	£13,453	£0	0%	1	£0	0%	1	£13,453	£13,453	£0	1	£0
Physical % Complete	Laser Generator (Purchase)	LGP	100%	£10,090	£10,090	£10,090	£0	0%	1	£0	0%	1	£10,090	£10,090	£0	1	£0
% Complete	Laser Positioning Controls Fabrication	LCFab	0%	£3,000	£0	£0	-£3,000	-100%	0	£0	0%	0	£15,000	£9,000	-£6,000	1	-£6,000
Physical % Complete	Generator & Controls Integration	LGCI	0%	£0	£0	£0	£0	0%	0	£0	0%	0	£5,760	£5,101	-£659	1	-£659
% Complete	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Image Buffer XSO		0%	£78,506	£63,203	£132,865	-£15,304	-19%	0.81	-£69,663	-110%	0.48	£181,122	£86,158	-£94,965	-0.49	-£94,965
Physical % Complete	Image Storage Design	ISD	100%	£15,191	£15,191	£30,382	£0	0%	1	-£15,191	-100%	0.5	£30,382	£15,191	-£15,191	0	-£15,191
Physical % Complete	Image Store Fabrication	ISFab	100%	£40,360	£40,360	£94,172	£0	0%	1	-£53,813	-133%	0.43	£94,172	£40,360	-£53,813	0	-£53,813
% Complete	Image Store As-Built Drawings	SABD	100%	£2,551	£2,551	£2,551	£0	0%	1	£0	0%	1	£2,551	£2,551	£0	1	£0
% Complete	XSO Assembly	XA	0%	£20,405	£5,101	£5,760	-£15,304	-75%	0.25	-£659	-12%	0.89	£23,040	£20,405	-£2,635	1.04	-£2,635
% Complete	XSO Review	XR	0%	£0	£0	£0	£0	0%	0	£0	0%	0	£8,640	£7,652	-£988	1	-£988
% Complete	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Intg'n & Proving Phase		0%	£0	£0	£0	£0	0%	0	£0	0%	0	£25,920	£22,955	-£2,965	1	-£2,965
Physical % Complete	Assemble Sub-Systems	ASS	0%	£0	£0	£0	£0	0%	0	£0	0%	0	£5,760	£5,101	-£659	1	-£659
% Complete	System Test	LISST	0%	£0	£0	£0	£0	0%	0	£0	0%	0	£11,520	£10,202	-£1,318	1	-£1,318
Physical % Complete	Accept Test	LISAT	0%	£0	£0	£0	£0	0%	0	£0	0%	0	£5,760	£5,101	-£659	1	-£659
Physical % Complete	Field Installation & Calibration	FIC	0%	£0	£0	£0	£0	0%	0	£0	0%	0	£2,880	£2,551	-£329	1	-£329
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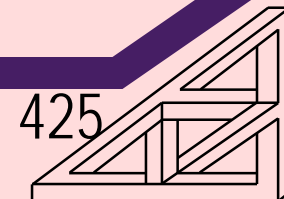


Case-Study: EV Headlines To Period 7

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- Project figures as calculated in a spreadsheet
 - Some rounding discrepancies and MSPJ's treatment of P%C

Period Weeks	1 1-4	2 5-8	3 9-12	4 13-16	5 17-20	6 21-24	7 25-28
BCWS	42,910	105,188	170,128	211,525	252,758	295,365	332,871
ACWP	42,910	110,289	175,229	224,671	291,355	361,301	407,859
BCWP	43,779	115,993	161,103	181,452	229,578	270,201	298,916
BAC	394,984	394,984	394,984	394,984	394,984	394,984	394,984
CV	869	5,704	- 14,126	- 42,560	- 62,046	- 92,407	- 108,943
SV	869	10,805	- 9,025	- 35,175	- 29,208	- 32,231	- 33,955
CV%	2%	5%	-9%	-24%	-28%	-35%	-36%
SV%	2%	10%	-5%	-17%	-12%	-11%	-10%
CPI CUM	1.02	1.05	0.92	0.81	0.78	0.74	0.73
SPI CUM	1.02	1.10	0.95	0.83	0.88	0.89	0.90
CPI CUR	1.02	1.07	0.69	0.35	0.71	0.57	0.68
SPI CUR	1.02	1.16	0.69	0.37	1.14	0.93	0.95
TCPI	100%	98%	106%	125%	160%	370%	Not Possible
EAC CPI	387,144	375,561	429,617	490,309	504,611	533,694	538,940
EAC CS	380,312	350,850	443,868	544,441	533,227	555,515	553,831





Achieving return on investment requires Governance, Project planning, Tracking and escalated/ delegated decision making

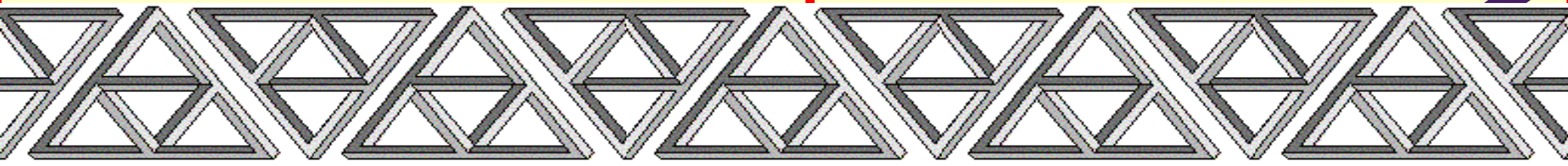
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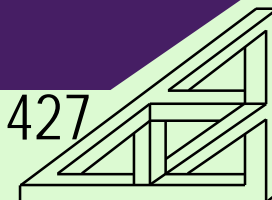
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- Lesson 9

Lesson 9: Topics We Haven't Covered







What We Have Not Covered 2/3

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- External dependency links
 - A link that include the task's filename
- Moving and copying information between projects
 - Mostly Copy, Cut and Paste work as expected
 - Assignments are based on an internal ID not Names so care is needed, selecting tasks takes assignment details
 - Views, Macros, base calendars (and more) can be copied with the organiser (a good way to restore heavily tailored views!)



Not Covered Continued! 3/3

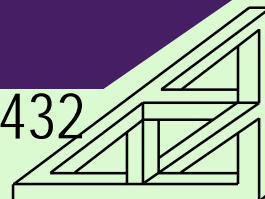
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- Using Outlook to eMail task assignments and timesheets
 - And create resource pools
- Touched on Linking and Importing between MSPJ and other applications
 - Have not looked at Embedding, or exporting
- MSPJ Server
 - Resource pools, Timesheet admin, Executive decisions & Team comms
 - Portfolio analyser and modeller
- MSPJ Web Access
- Customised filters, groups, calculated fields, indicators
 - EG RAG indicators
- Changing toolbars and menus, writing macros and VBA Scripts
- Using project templates, accessing data via MS Access



- Lesson 10

Lesson 10: Summary & Evaluation



Where we Started: Course Objectives

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- Be able to
 - Link real-world PjM process to use of a typical planning tool
 - Create a project base-line in Microsoft® Project®
 - Track actual project progress against the base-line
 - Analyse and report project status
 - Amend project records to reflect intended responses





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