

Advanced Risk Management Techniques



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This is a monthly webinar delivered during the lunch hour in the first week (Wednesdays) of every month.

It's designed to help you learn while you eat lunch, providing a relaxed environment to enhance your experience.

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Your Expectations

What are your expectations from this webinar?

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Advanced Techniques in PM

1. Overview
2. Advanced Stakeholder Management
3. Advanced Scope/Change Management
4. Performance Measurement Using EVM
5. **Advanced Risk Management**

What else do you consider advanced skills?

Who Can Use These Techniques?

- * Experienced project managers
- * May or may not have a certification such as PMP®
- * PMO leads / directors looking for training for PMs
- * PMs looking to take on greater leadership role

Overview of Risk Management



- What is Risk Management?
- Basic Risk Management
- Advanced Techniques

What is a Project Risk?

What is a Project Risk?

Project risk is an *uncertain event* or condition that, if it occurs, has a positive or a negative effect on a project's objectives.

- From PMI's Practice Standard for Project Risk Management – Chapter 2 , Page 9

Risks Vs Issues

Risks

- A future event
- It has not occurred yet but there are chances that it may occur – there is uncertainty
- The probability of occurrence can range from 0 to 1 but it is neither 0 or 1 (greater than 0 but less than 1)
- The language to describe a risk uses future tense
- A response plan is needed in case risk event occurred
- Risk Register is used for risks

Issues

- An event of past or present
- It has already occurred or occurring right now, there is no doubt whether it'll happen or not – no uncertainty
- Probability is 1 since it already occurred
- The language to describe an issue uses present to past tense
- Need a resolution plan with action items to resolve an issue
- Issue log is used for issues

What is Risk Management?

- * Risk management is:

- ✓ Planning
- ✓ Identification
- ✓ Analysis
- ✓ Response planning
- ✓ Controlling risk

- * The objectives of risk management are:

- ✓ Increase the likelihood and impact of positive events
- ✓ Decrease the likelihood and impact of negative events

Why is Risk Management Important?

- * Scope, time, and cost are all important
- * Even the best project plans can be derailed by risks
- * Being able to plan for risks is critical
 - ✓ Unforeseen circumstances can always impact a project
 - ✓ But when teams manage risks, they can be better prepared overall

Basic Risk Management

- * Building the risk register
- * Identifying risks
- * Basic qualitative analysis
- * Risk response strategies
- * Monitoring risks and alerting stakeholders

How to go beyond?

Advanced Risk Management

- * Quantitative analysis
 - ✓ Especially Expected Monetary Value (EMV)

- * Risk contingency reserve
 - ✓ How to create one for a project or program
 - ✓ How to use the contingency reserve
 - ✓ How to communicate the contingency reserve

Advanced Risk Management



- Quantitative Analysis
 - Quantitative Risk Analysis Overview
 - Expected Monetary Value (EMV)
- Risk Contingency Reserve
 - What is Risk Contingency Reserve?
 - Using Risk Contingency Reserve
 - Communicating Risk Contingency Reserve
 - Limitations of the Model
 - Risk Contingency Reserve Ratio

Quantitative Analysis



- Quantitative Risk Analysis Overview
- Expected Monetary Value (EMV)
- EMV Examples

Quantitative Risk Analysis Overview

- * Sensitivity Analysis

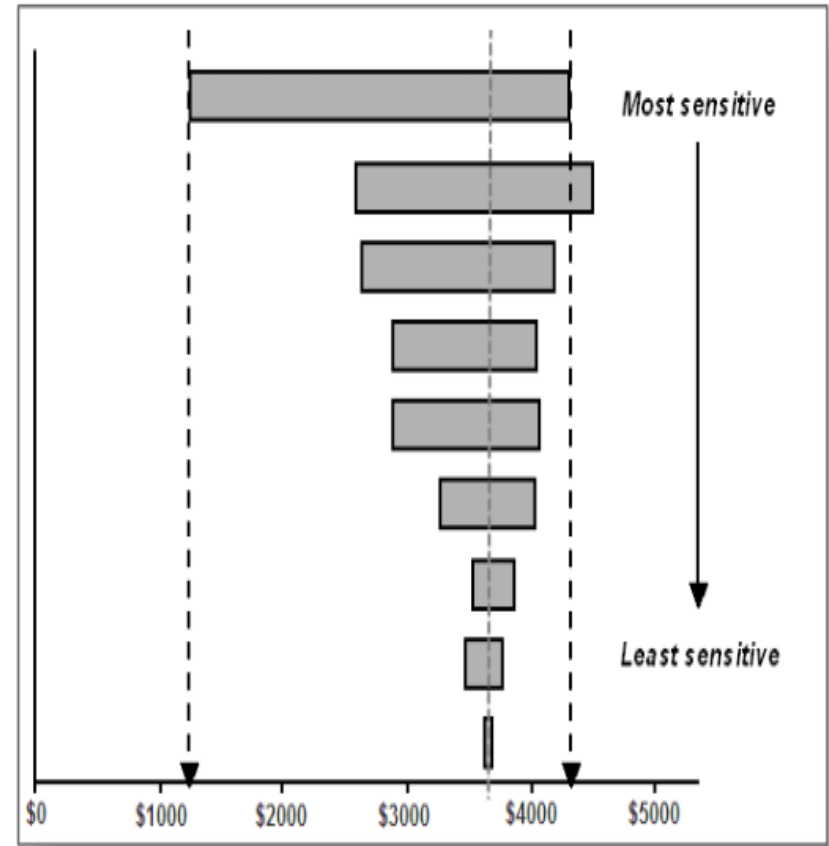
- ✓ Risks sorted by potential impact
- ✓ Also called “tornado diagram”

- * Modeling and simulation

- ✓ Monte Carlo is a popular example

- * Expected Monetary Value (EMV) analysis

- ✓ Simple, effective way to start



Expected Monetary Value

- * Expected Monetary Value (EMV) of a Risk
- * Probability x Impact
 - ✓ Probability of the risk occurring (percentage)
 - ✓ Impact, if the risk occurred (time or cost measure)



EMV Example #1

There is a 70 percent chance that computers needed for the project team will not be available on time, causing a delay of 5 days.

What is the EMV for this Risk?

$$\begin{aligned}\text{EMV (probability x impact)} \\ &= 0.7 \times 5 \text{ days} \\ &= \mathbf{3.5 \text{ days}}\end{aligned}$$

EMV Example #2

There is a 50 percent chance that a critical piece of equipment will fail during the project and will cost \$10,000 to replace.

What is the EMV of this Risk?

$$\begin{aligned}\text{EMV (probability x impact)} \\ &= 0.5 \times \$10000 \\ &= \mathbf{\$5,000}\end{aligned}$$

EMV Example Using Days

ID	Risk Description	Event Date	Probability		Impact (Days)		EMV
1	Performance issues are not addressed before testing, causing delays.	Sep-14	H	70%	M	15	10.5
2	Server performance issues may occur during testing, causing delays.	Aug-14	L	10%	M	10	1
3	Unanticipated changes occur after code complete, causing rework.	Aug-14	L	10%	L	5	0.5
4	Testing environment may interfere with other high-priority projects, causing conflicts.	Jul-14	L	10%	M	10	1
5	Implementation priority may change, causing massive delays.	Jul-14	M	25%	H	40	10
6	Impact analysis may cause additional change requests.	Jul-14	M	25%	M	15	3.75
7	Code Complete may be delayed due to developer resource allocation to other projects.	Jun-14	H	50%	M	20	10
8	Testing may be delayed due to differences in rating between two systems.	May-14	M	30%	M	15	4.5
9	Production problems may interrupt developers working on this project.	Anytime	M	30%	M	10	3
10	Other new projects may take away resources.	Anytime	H	70%	H	45	31.5
Total EMV							79.75

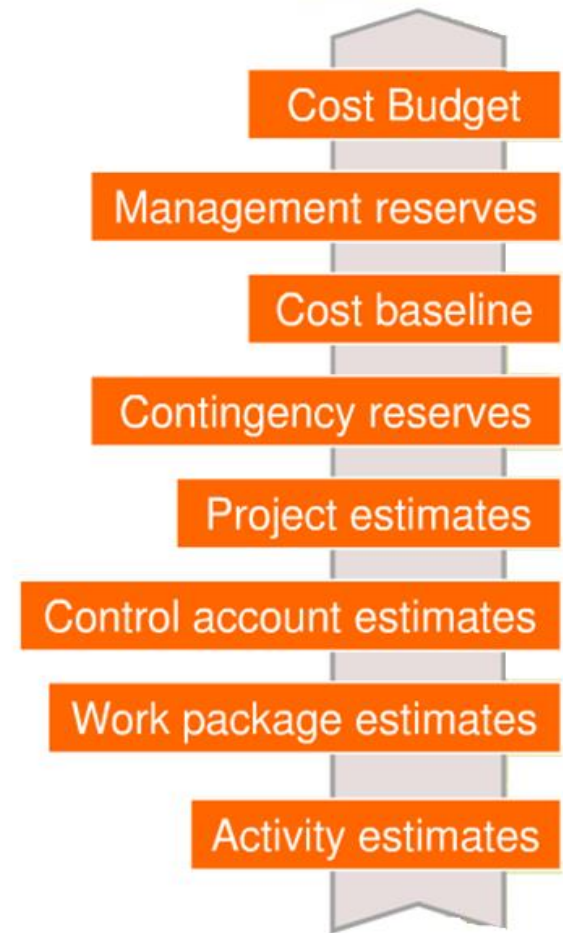
Risk Contingency Reserve



- What is Risk Contingency Reserve?
- Using Risk Contingency Reserve
- Communicating Risk Contingency Reserve
- Limitations of Risk Contingency Reserve

What is Risk Contingency Reserve?

- * Time or cost set aside to manage *identified* risks
- * Contingency Reserve covers “known unknowns”
- * Benefits of Contingency Reserve
 - ✓ Improves predictability of outcomes
 - ✓ Effective communication tool for risks
- * Can be found by summing EMV for risks
 - ✓ Days and dollars



Using the Reserve

* When risk occurs:

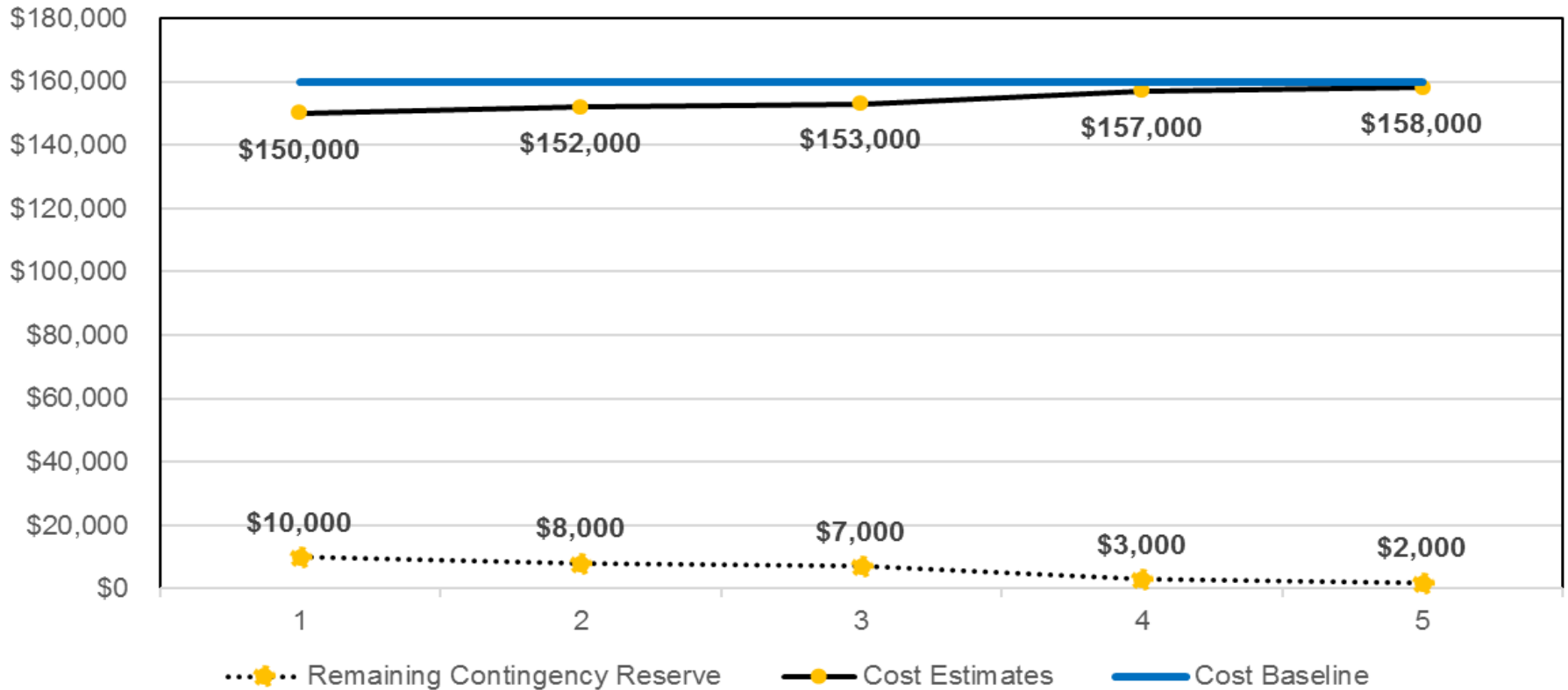
- ✓ Actual impact is added to cost/schedule
- ✓ Estimated budget/schedule is updated
- ✓ Contingency reserve decreases
- ✓ **Baseline is NOT updated**

If risk does not occur, contingency not spent

Project finishes before time, under budget

Using Risk Contingency Reserve

Project Estimates and Remaining Cost Reserve Over Time



Communicating Schedule

- * Schedule baseline = Estimated finish date + contingency reserve (time/schedule aspect)
 - ✓ Example: Estimated Finish date is in 10 weeks, with contingency reserve of 4 weeks. What is the schedule baseline?
 - Schedule Baseline is 14 weeks.

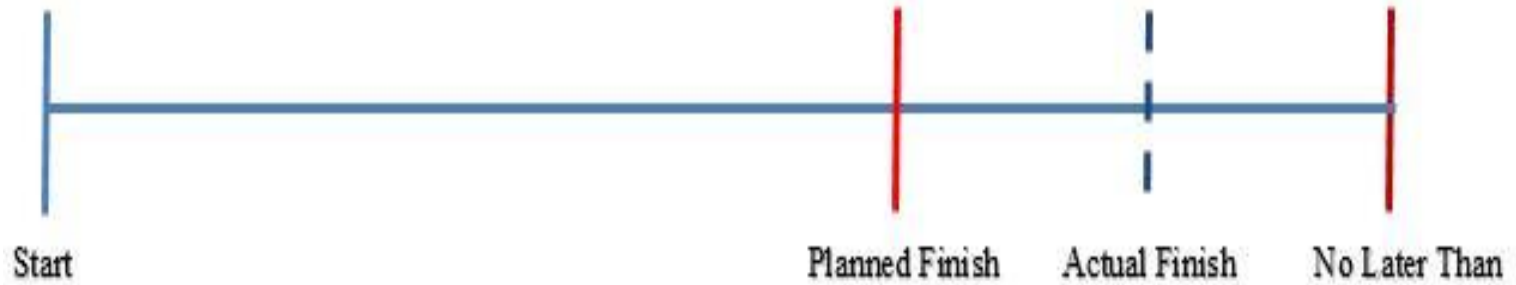
“No Later Than” date

Communicating Cost

- * Cost baseline = Estimated costs + contingency reserve
 - ✓ Example: Project budget is \$1,000,000, contingency reserve is \$250,000. What is the cost baseline?
 - Cost baseline is \$1,250,000.

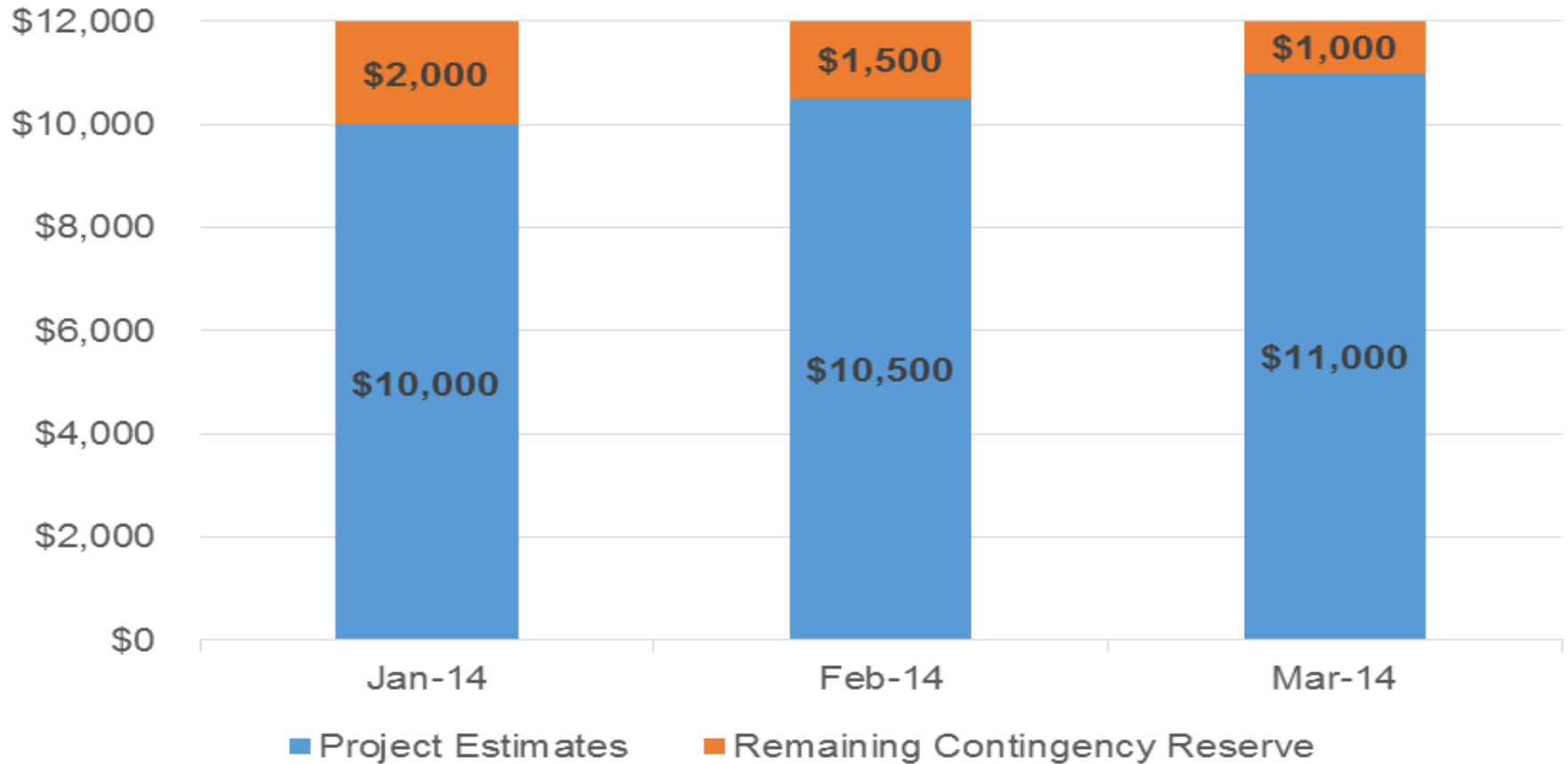
“Not to Exceed” budget

Project Finish



Cost Baseline

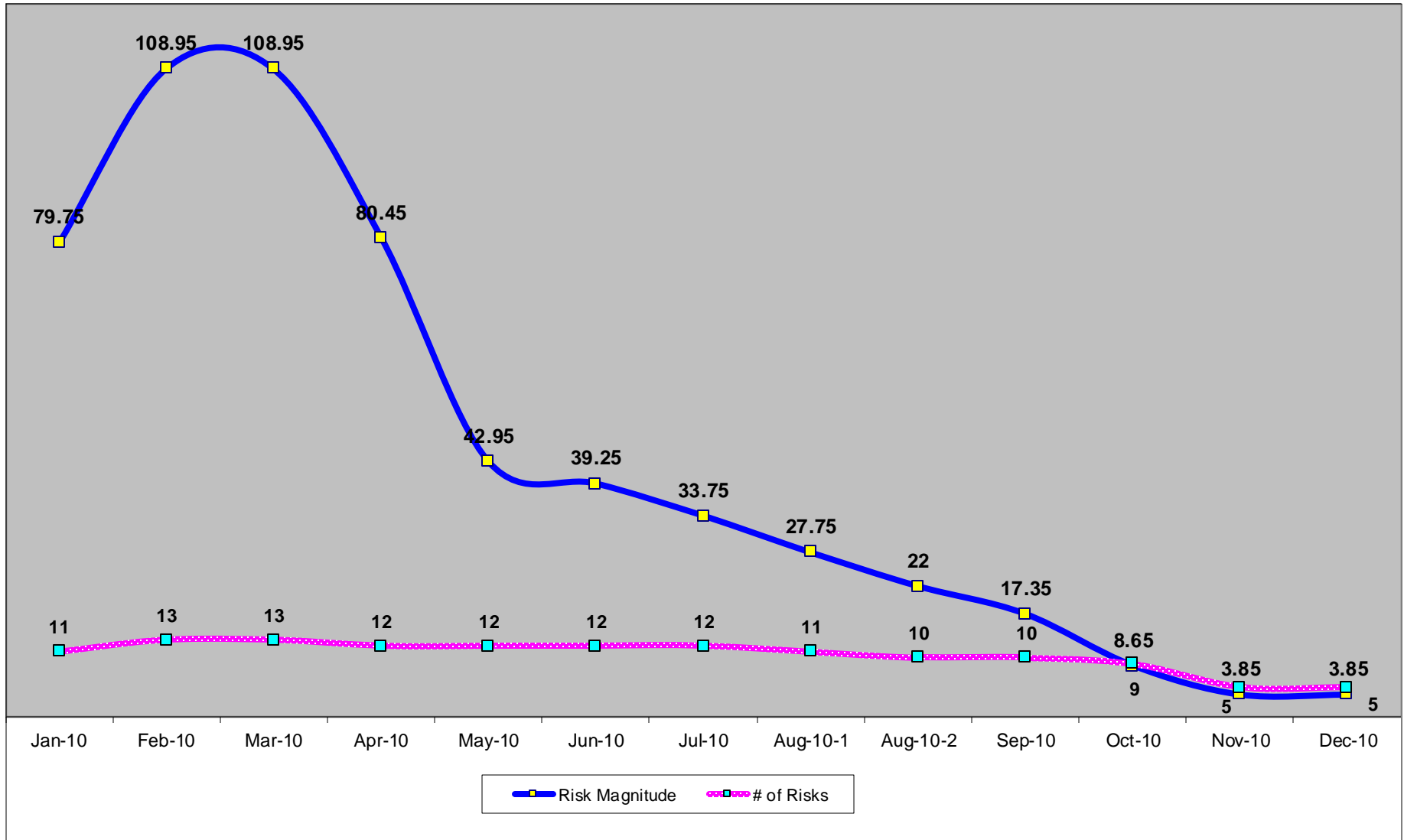
Project Estimates, Remaining Contingency Reserve, and Cost Baseline





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Magnitude Over Time



Risk Duration

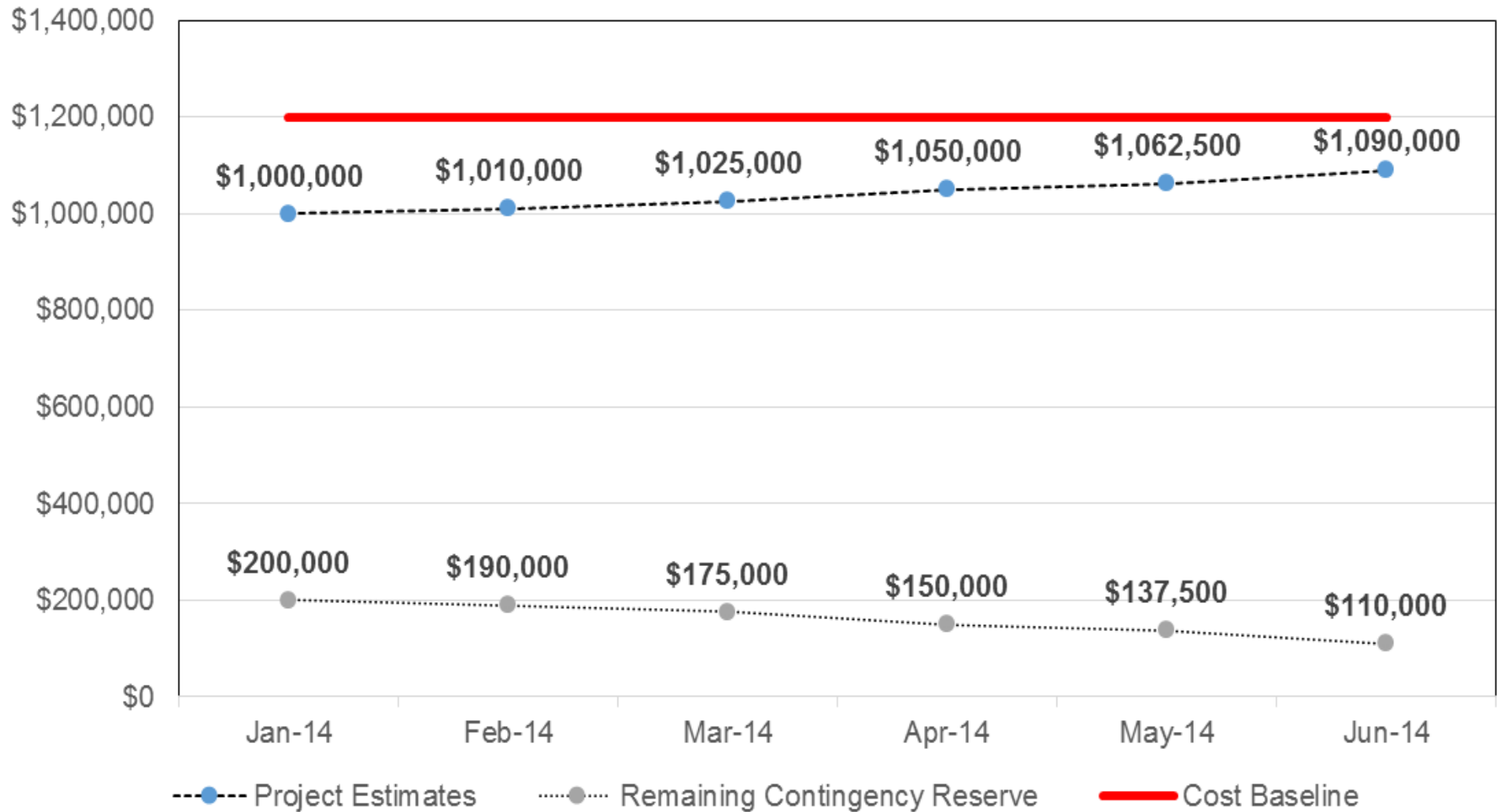
ID		Task Name	Duration	% Complet	Start	Finish
1		SBR for 1st State (IOWA) - with Risks	73.85 wks	37%	Mon 8/3/09	Wed 1/19/11
2		Risk Reserve for Unmitigated Risks	39.25 days	0%	Fri 11/19/10	Wed 1/19/11
3		Project Tasks	66 wks	41%	Mon 8/3/09	Thu 11/18/10
4						
5		SBR in Production - 1st State (IOWA)	66 wks	55%	Mon 8/3/09	Thu 11/18/10
6	✓	Identify the first state - IOWA	0 days	100%	Fri 11/6/09	Fri 11/6/09
7	✓	Mainframe Tasks Group0	11.8 wks	100%	Wed 11/4/09	Mon 2/1/10
13						
14		Mainframe Tasks Group1	19 wks	99%	Mon 1/18/10	Fri 5/28/10
49						
50		Mainframe Tasks Group2	19.2 wks	75%	Mon 2/8/10	Tue 6/22/10
74						
75		Mainframe Tasks Group3	12.6 wks	67%	Wed 3/24/10	Mon 6/21/10
97						
98		Mainframe Tasks Group4	20.8 wks	59%	Fri 1/22/10	Thu 6/17/10
134						
135		Mainframe Tasks Group5	4.6 wks	15%	Mon 5/10/10	Thu 6/10/10
141						
142		PARIS/PC Tasks	39.8 wks	65%	Thu 10/15/09	Thu 7/29/10
157						
158		Rating Related Tasks	43 wks	61%	Mon 8/3/09	Tue 6/8/10
185						
186		HSM for IOWA	0 wks	0%	Fri 8/6/10	Fri 8/6/10
187						
188		Testing	19.2 wks	0%	Wed 6/23/10	Fri 11/5/10
200						
201		Initial Implementation	15 wks	0%	Thu 8/5/10	Thu 11/18/10

Charting Estimates

- * Show periodic expenditure for each risk that occurs
 - ✓ Month-wise or otherwise
- * For each risk:
 - ✓ Remaining contingency reserve goes down
 - ✓ Cost / Schedule Estimate goes up
 - ✓ Cost Baseline remains the same

Estimates Over Time

Project Estimates and Remaining Contingency Reserve Over Time



Limitations of the Model

- * This Model is NOT as useful when:
 - ✓ Only few risks have been identified
 - ✓ All risks have high probability



Either of these could produce erroneous results

Too Few Risks

- * If risks are too few, “insurance pool” not large enough
 - ✓ Need to find more risks
 - ✓ Consider a Risk Breakdown Structure (RBS)

RBS Level 0	RBS Level 1	RBS Level 2
ALL SOURCES OF PROJECT RISK	1. TECHNICAL RISK	1.1 Scope Definition
		1.2 Requirement Definition
		1.3 Estimates, Assumptions, and constraints
		1.4 Technical processes
		1.5 Technology
		1.6 Technical Interfaces
		Etc.
	2. MANAGEMENT RISK	2.1 Project Management
		2.2 Program/Portfolio Management
		2.3 Operations Management
		2.4 Organization
		2.5 Resourcing
		2.6 Communication
		Etc.
	3. COMMERCIAL RISK	3.1 Contractual terms and conditions
		3.2 Internal Procurement
		3.3 Suppliers and vendors
		3.4 Subcontracts
		3.5 Client/Customer Stability
		3.6 Partnership and joint ventures
		Etc.
	4. EXTERNAL RISK	4.1 Legislation
		4.2 Exchange rates
		4.3 Sites/Facilities
4.4 Environmental/weather		
4.5 Competition		
4.6 Regulatory		
Etc.		

Too High Probability

- * Look into strategies other than risk contingency reserve
 - ✓ Avoid
 - ✓ Mitigate
 - ✓ Transfer
 - ✓ Accept

Risk Metrics



- What Are Risk Metrics?
- Why Use Risk Metrics?
- Risk Contingency Reserve Ratio
- Risk Contingency Reserve Ratio Exercise

What Are Risk Metrics?

- * Measure of risk exposure of a project, program, or portfolio
 - ✓ i.e. “How risky is this project”?
- * Key metric: ratio of contingency reserve / initial baseline
- * Other risk metrics include:
 - ✓ Number of risks identified
 - ✓ Number of risks realized
 - ✓ Total risk contingency reserve

Source: Project Management Institute (2013). *Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK® Guide)*, Fifth Edition. Newtown Square, PA: Project Management Institute.

Why Use Risk Metrics?

- * Risk measurement can be a part of benefits analysis
 - ✓ Project may be worthwhile, but will it succeed?
- * Negative risks (threats) can cause a project to derail
 - ✓ Delays
 - ✓ Cost overruns
 - ✓ Other catastrophes
- * Positive risks (opportunities) also need to be accounted for
 - ✓ Ways to finish faster
 - ✓ Cost savings
 - ✓ Other windfalls

Can you think of other reasons?

Risk Contingency Reserve Ratio

* Ratio of risk contingency reserve to initial baseline

* **Example:**

- ✓ On Project X, the risk contingency reserve is \$50,000.
- ✓ The initial baseline of Project X is \$150,000.
- ✓ What is the ratio of contingency reserve to the initial baseline?
- ✓ Based on the ratio, how risky do you think the project is?
- ✓ **$\$50,000 / \$150,000 = 33\%$**
- ✓ **33% is very risky**

Risk Contingency Reserve (CR) Ratio Exercise

Project	Initial Baseline	Contingency Reserve (\$)	Contingency Reserve Ratio (%)
1	\$30,000	\$10,000	?
2	\$240,000	\$60,000	?
3	\$375,000	\$75,000	?
4	\$300,000	\$50,000	?
5	\$1,000,000	\$400,000	?

Which projects have the most risk?

Conclusion

- * Risk contingency reserve helps improve predictability
 - ✓ Stakeholders can see the difference between plan and actual
 - ✓ Size of risk contingency reserve measures how risky project is
- * EMV is a good advanced risk technique to get started
 - ✓ Doesn't take a whole lot of time and money to implement
 - ✓ Helps get the team communicating about risk

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Kathryn W.

Liz B.

Tim A.



The winner is:
Kathryn W.!

Congratulations to the winner!
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Attendee Questions

1. How to quantify risk into time (number of days in schedule)?
2. Are project errors such as missed deadlines a risk or just bad PM?
3. How do you manage risk in a competitive environment where you can't charge a contingency reserve?
4. How do you know when to stop identifying risk or how to choose the right amount of risk to truly spend time on effectively?
5. How do you start the risk discussion for new projects?

Questions?



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