

Deltek Acumen

A Good Plan Makes a Great Project

Accurate project scheduling and realistic cost forecasting can be the difference between being a project hero or being responsible for project failure. The Deltek Acumen suite is designed to help you create the soundest schedules possible and execute them with consistent project success. With Deltek Acumen, teams gain insight into the realism and reliability of project schedules through schedule diagnostics, timeline optimization and risk analytics – providing the assurance they are working the fastest path to an on-time, on-budget project completion.

S1//S5 Schedule Maturity Framework

The Acumen S1//S5 framework is designed to provide a structured and repeatable approach to developing sound and realistic project plans. The goal of the framework is to generate a schedule that is:

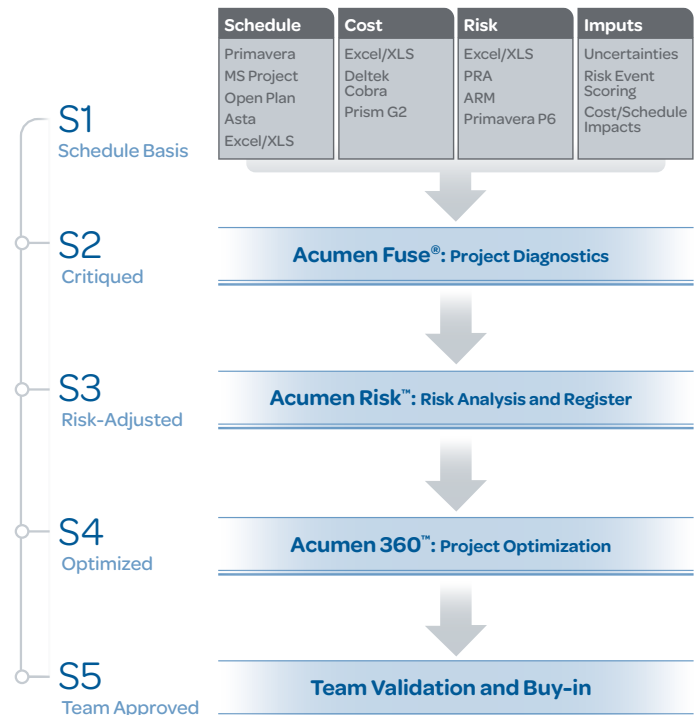
Structurally sound: well-built using appropriate CPM scheduling techniques*

Realistic: accounting for known scope as well as potential risks and opportunities

Optimized: thoroughly reviewed for possible cost/schedule acceleration candidates

Validated: buy-in obtained from the project team, subject matter experts and management team

Thousands of projects around the world have benefited from the Acumen S1 // S5 approach to schedule maturity. By pursuing the five levels of identified maturity, projects teams are able to establish schedules that are validated; have accounted for risk and duration uncertainty; have been optimized and mitigated in order to achieve a target and have team buy-in on the execution plan. Each level leads to a more successful and more achievable project plan.



The Deltek Acumen suite helps facilitate each stage of the S1//S5 schedule maturity framework.

*Acumen supports many industry standards including the DCMA 14 Point Assessment, GAO, DOE, Nasa and DCMA DECM Metrics.

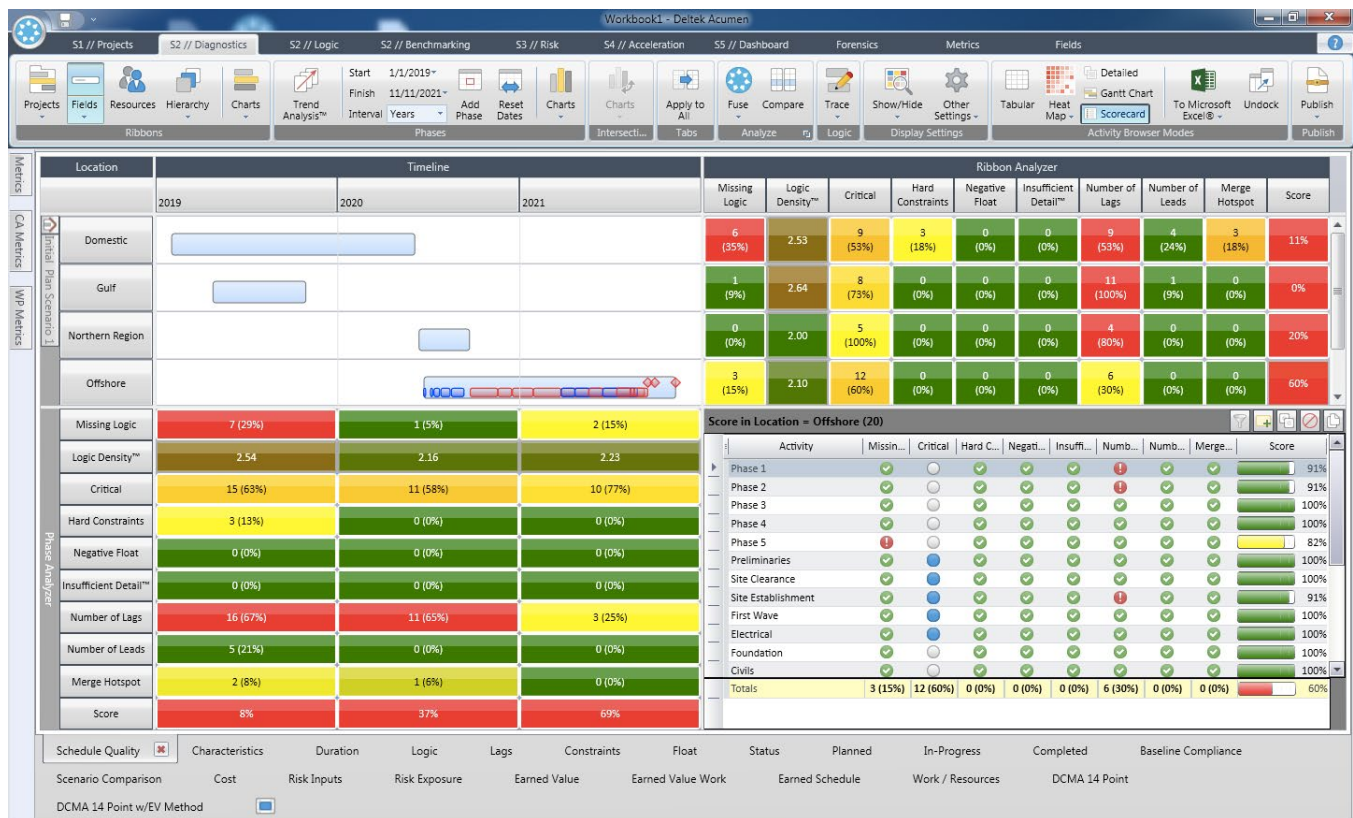
Sound Scheduling is the Key to Project Success

Acumen Fuse is a comprehensive project analysis, visualization and problem resolution platform that complements existing scheduling tools to:

- » Help build sound, achievable schedules without manual critique
- » Provide metric analysis, a clear visual and comparison context of schedule quality, cost-forecast accuracy, risk-model realism, earned value and project performance
- » Give a repeatable way to score and critique schedule quality, pinpoint weaknesses, evaluate performance during execution and gauge the impact of change

Fuse provides project intelligence through advanced analytics, which offers unique insight into how to improve project plans and execution – leading to a competitive advantage.

Fuse also helps maintain control of plans by providing analytical trending and forensic analysis of progress updates. As a result, it is easy to see what has changed and who changed it. And, when working with subcontractors, project team can also see the impact of updates on an ongoing basis.

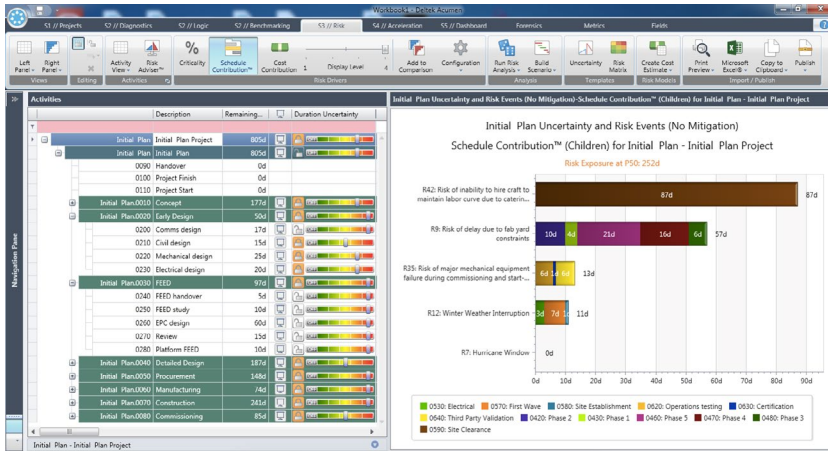


Advanced visual analytics help improve project execution.

Simplified Cost and Schedule Risk Analysis

Acumen Risk™ helps effectively account for and proactively reduce exposure due to risk and uncertainty, resulting in an accurate forecast.

Simply maintaining a list of identified risks does not provide insight into the true impact of risk on the project. Acumen Risk is a cost and schedule risk analysis tool that integrates an existing risk register into a highly accurate risk-adjusted forecast. Need to run a quick schedule risk analysis? Require a fully integrated cost/ schedule risk model incorporating risk events and mitigation plans? No problem. Acumen Risk is designed to accommodate both ends of the spectrum.

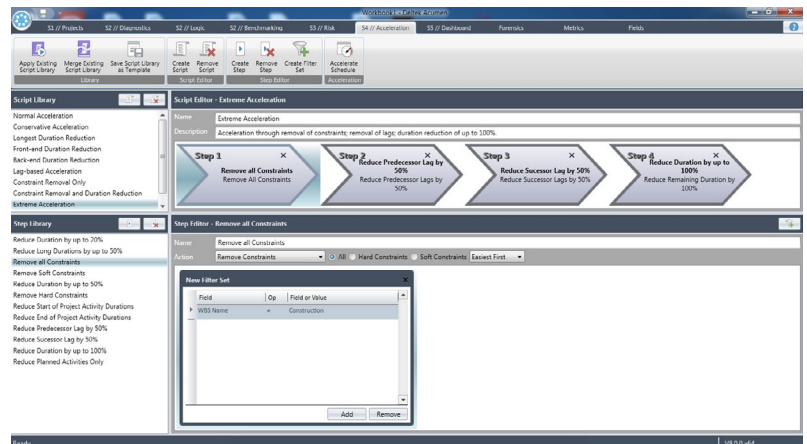


Project Delays Uncovered Faster

Whether adjusting a proposal schedule to meet a client roadmap or providing acceleration or recovery plans, Acumen 360 helps identify the minimum number of changes needed to meet a goal. By generating schedule scenarios in real-time, Acumen 360 allows projects team to hypothesize acceleration opportunities or threats of delay and immediately see the impact.

Deltek Acumen 360 provides:

- » Tools to run “What-If” analysis over and over again
- » Defendable results with data-backed information
- » Complete customization, including acceleration rates and compression order



Take Schedule Management to the Next Level

Build a great schedule, identify and manage the risks and accelerate to meet critical deliveries – all within the Acumen suite.

- » Take project analysis beyond simple checklist and resolve project shortcomings in minutes with Acumen Fuse
- » Create risk analytics that eliminate the statistical and logical challenges of typical risk models with Acumen Risk
- » Evaluate schedule scenarios with an interactive acceleration engine and complete your projects faster with Acumen 360

Have a question? Get in touch!

Learn how Deltek Acumen provides a complete risk and schedule solution.

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