

# GE 403

# Engineering Economy

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**Ex.1** DuraTech Manufacturing is evaluating a process improvement project. The estimated receipts and disbursements associated with the project are shown below. MARR is 10 percent/year. Should DuraTech implement the proposed process improvement **based on present worth?**

EOY	0	1	2	3	4	5
Receipts	\$0	\$600	\$600	\$700	\$700	\$700
Disbursements	\$1000	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300

### **Solution**

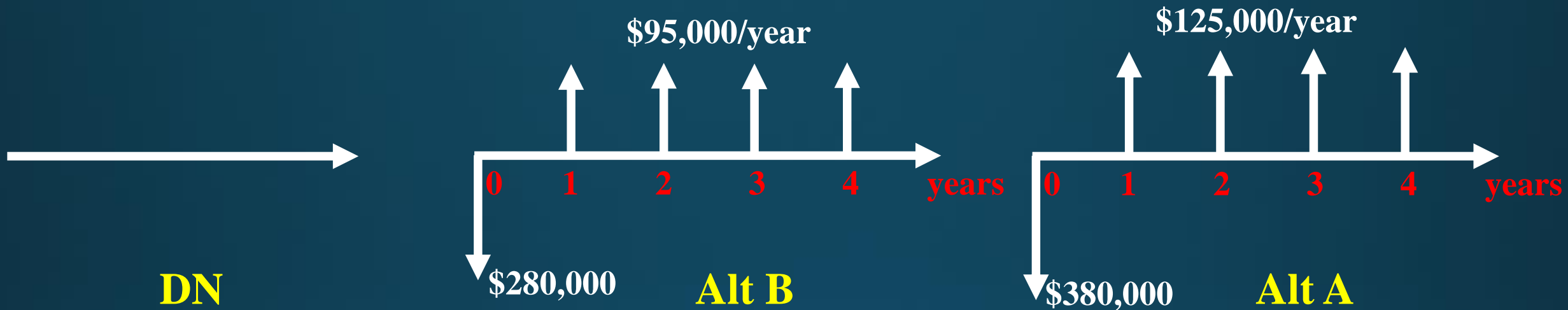
$$P_w = -1000 + 300 (P/A 10\%, 5) + 100 (P/A 10\%, 3)(P/F 10\%, 2)$$

$$P_w = -1000 + 300 (3.79079) + 100 (2.48685)(0.82645) = \mathbf{\$342.76}$$

Since  $P_w > 0$ , the proposed process improvement should be implemented.

**Ex.2** The engineering team at a company is planning to purchase an enterprise resource planning (ERP) system. The software and installation from Vendor **A** costs **\$380,000** initially and is expected to increase revenue **\$125,000** per year every year. The software and installation from Vendor **B** costs **\$280,000** and is expected to increase revenue **\$95,000** per year. The company uses a 4-year planning horizon and a 10 percent per year MARR. (The “do nothing” alternative is feasible and assumed to have a Pw of \$0.) Which ERP system should be purchased based on ranking and incremental present worth analyses?

## Solution



## Ranking Approach

$$Pw)_{\text{DN}} = \$0$$

$$Pw)_{\text{B}} = -280,000 + 95,000(P/A\ 10\%,\ 4) = -280,000 + 95,000(3.16987) = \$21137.65$$

$$Pw)_{\text{A}} = -380,000 + 125,000(P/A\ 10\%,\ 4) = -380,000 + 125,000(3.16987) = \$16233.75$$



## Solution

### Incremental Approach

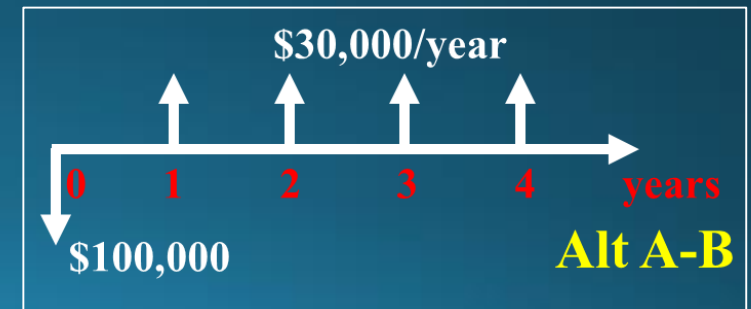
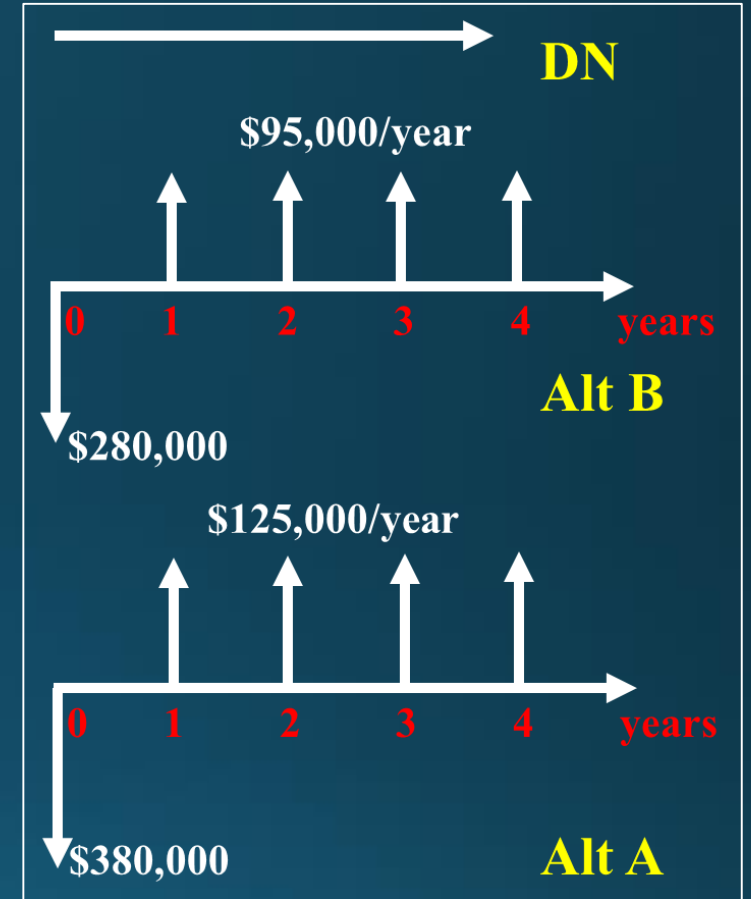
- Order alternatives from lowest to highest initial investment
- Determine incremental cash flows between alternatives
- Calculate Pw on incremental cash flows

$$Pw)_{\mathbf{B-DN}} = -280,000 + 95,000(P/A\ 10\%,\ 4) = \mathbf{\$21137.65}$$

$Pw > \$0$ , therefore B is better than doing nothing

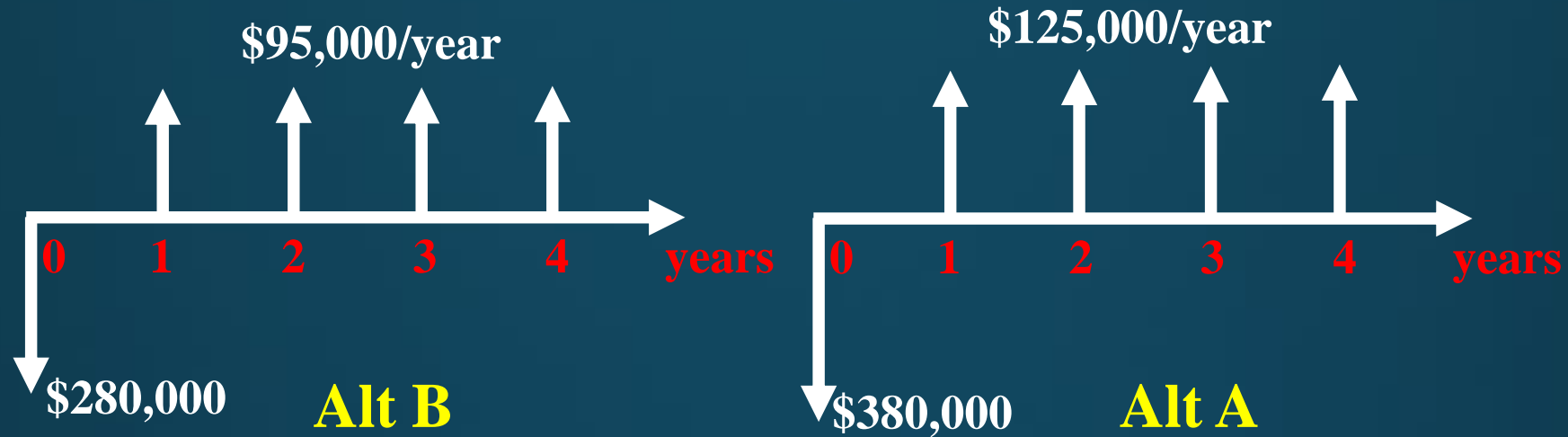
$$Pw)_{\mathbf{A-B}} = -100,000 + 30,000(P/A\ 10\%,\ 4) = \mathbf{-\$4903.9}$$

$Pw < \$0$ , therefore B is better than A



**Ex.3** The engineering team at a company is planning to purchase an enterprise resource planning (ERP) system. The software and installation from Vendor **A** costs **\$380,000** initially and is expected to increase revenue **\$125,000** per year every year. The software and installation from Vendor **B** costs **\$280,000** and is expected to increase revenue **\$95,000** per year. The company uses a 4-year planning horizon and a 10 percent per year MARR. Which ERP system should be purchased based on DPBP and PBP methods?

## Solution



## PBP method

EOY	CF Alt B	CumCF Alt B	CF Alt A	CumCF Alt A
0	-280,000	-280,000	-380,000	-380,000
1	95,000	-185,000	125,000	-255,000
2	95,000	-90,000	125,000	-130,000
3	95,000	5,000	125,000	-5,000
4	95,000	100,000	125,000	120,000
PBP	$2 + \frac{90,000}{95,000} = 2.95 \text{ years}$		$3 + \frac{5,000}{125,000} = 3.04 \text{ years}$	

## Solution



## DPBP method

$$Pw)_B = -280,000 + 95,000(P/A \ 10\%, \text{DPBP}) = 0 \Rightarrow (P/A \ 10\%, \text{DPBP}) = 2.9473$$

$$\text{OR } = A \left[ \frac{(1+i)^n - 1}{i(1+i)^n} \right] = -280,000 + 95,000 \left[ \frac{(1+0.1)^n - 1}{0.1(1+0.1)^n} \right] = 0 \Rightarrow n = 3.66 \quad \leftarrow$$

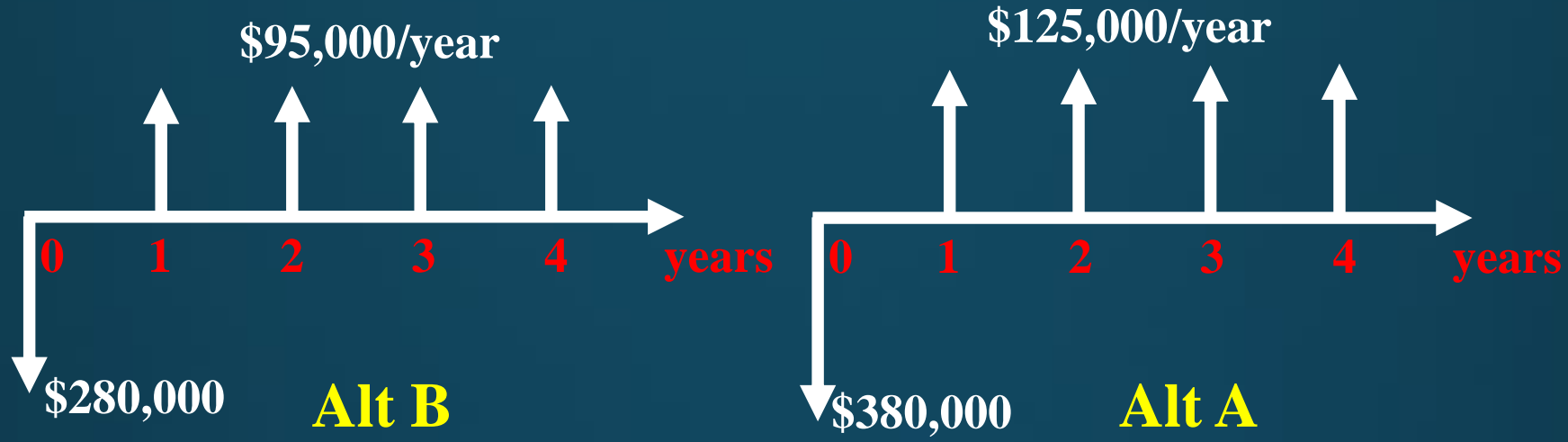
$$Pw)_A = -380,000 + 125,000(P/A \ 10\%, \text{DPBP}) = 0 \Rightarrow (P/A \ 10\%, \text{DPBP}) = 3.04$$

$$\text{OR } = A \left[ \frac{(1+i)^n - 1}{i(1+i)^n} \right] = -380,000 + 125,000 \left[ \frac{(1+0.1)^n - 1}{0.1(1+0.1)^n} \right] = 0 \Rightarrow n = 3.8$$

To Find P Given A	
n	(P A i%,n)
1	0.90909
2	1.73554
3	2.48685
4	3.16987
5	3.79079



## Solution



## DPBP method

EOY	CF Alt B	Cum(Pw) Alt B	CF Alt A	Cum(Pw) Alt A
0	-280,000	-280,000.00	-380,000	-380,000.00
1	95,000	-193,636.45	125,000	-266,363.75
2	95,000	-115,123.70	125,000	-163,057.50
3	95,000	-43,749.25	125,000	-69,143.75
4	95,000	21,137.65	125,000	16,233.75

**By interpolation**

DPBP = 3.67



DPBP = 3.81

**The END**