
Preface

This monograph grew out of my research in the field of resource-constrained project scheduling conducted from 1995 to 2004 during my work as teaching assistant and assistant professor at the Institute for Economic Theory and Operations Research of the University of Karlsruhe. The aim of the book is to give an introduction to quantitative concepts and methods for resource allocation in project management with an emphasis on an order-theoretic framework allowing for a unifying treatment of various problem types. In order to make the work accessible for general readers, the basic concepts needed are reviewed in introductory sections of the book.

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