

# Maintenance Costs

## 1 Basic Equations

$$TMC = DMC + IMC$$

<i>TMC</i>	Total Maintenance Costs
<i>DMC</i>	Direct Maintenance Costs (costs caused by the aircraft)
<i>IMC</i>	Indirect Maintenance Costs (costs caused by the maintenance environment)

Only DMC are needed to calculate Direct Operating Costs, DOC.

$$DMC = (MMH_{on} + MMH_{off}) \cdot LR + MC$$

<i>MC</i>	Material Costs
<i>LR</i>	Labor rate without "overhead": unburdened labor rate $\approx 23$ \$/FH
	Labor rate with "overhead": burdened labor rate $\approx 69$ \$/FH

*FH* Flight Hour

<i>MMH</i>	Maintenance Man Hour
<i>MMH<sub>on</sub></i>	Line Maintenance (on aircraft)
<i>MMH<sub>off</sub></i>	Shop Maintenance (in the workshop)

All costs should be based initially on one year. As such also DMC are calculated per aircraft and per year. In this case also *MMH<sub>on</sub>*, *MMH<sub>off</sub>* und *MC* are calculated per year. Often it is known:

$$MMH_{on}/FH, \quad MMH_{off}/FH \quad \text{und} \quad MC/FH$$

## 2 Calculation of Maintenance Hours for one Maintenance Event

$$MTBUR = FTRR \cdot MTBF$$

*MTBF* = Mean Time Between Failures

$$MTBF = \frac{1}{\lambda} \quad \text{with } \lambda, \text{ failure rate (from reliability calculations)}$$

$FTRR$  = Failure To Removal Ratio from Table 1

$MTBUR$  = Mean Time Between Unscheduled Removals

**Table 1** Failure To Removal Ratio (FTRR)

System	FTRR
Elektronic	0,3...0,4
Elektric	0,6...0,7
Hydraulic	0,8...0,9
Mechanic	1,0

The number of maintenance events per year are calculated with

$$n_M = \frac{FT \cdot NFY}{MTBUR}$$

$FT$  Flight Time

$NFY$  Number of Flights per Year

$$MMH_{on} = RT_{on} \cdot n_M$$

$RT$  Repair Time

$$MMH_{off} = RT_{off} \cdot n_M$$

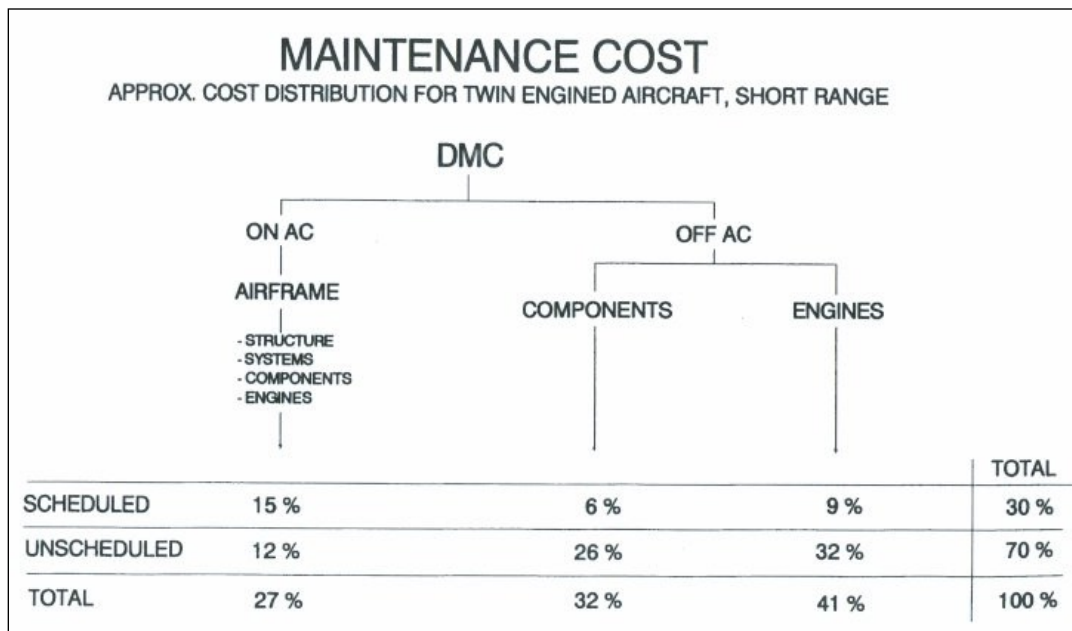
Table 2 gives values from experience about Labor Costs and Material Costs for maintenance of a long range aircraft. Assumed is a labor rate with overheads of 69 US\$/MMH.

**Table 2** Labor costs and material costs for maintenance of a long range aircraft in 1997-US \$

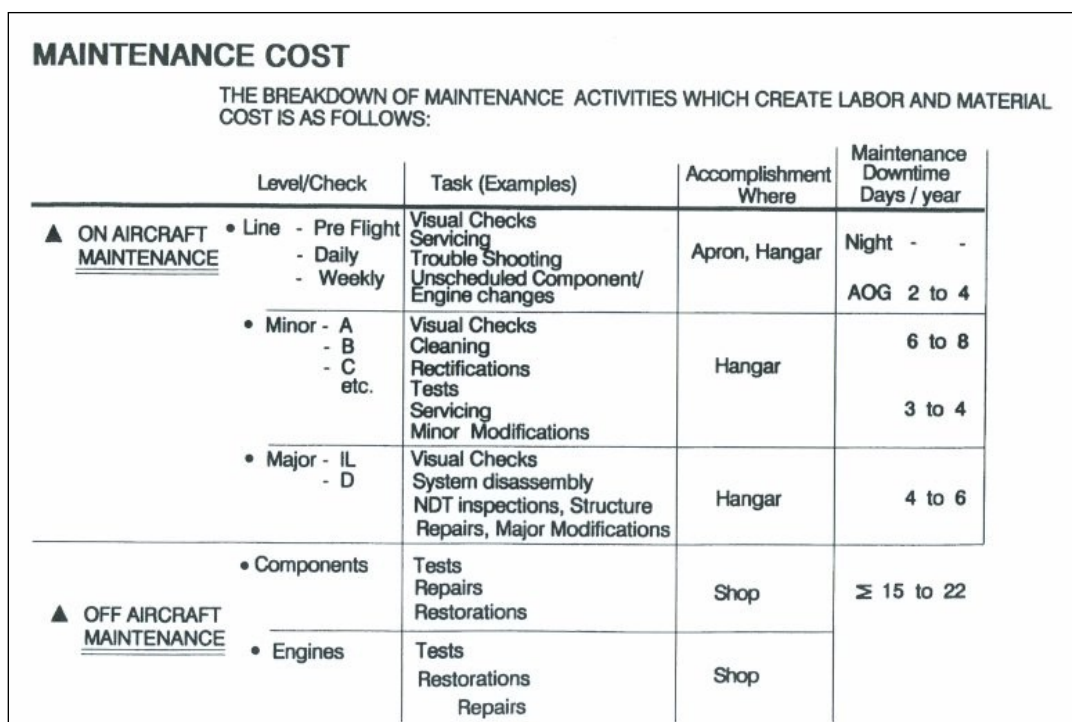
ATA Chapter	Labor Costs		Material Costs
	on A/C	off A/C	[\$/FH]
21	3,3	8,2	3,7
22	0,8	1,5	0,7
23	3,2	4,9	2,0
24	2,2	4,1	4,8
25	15,0	30,4	21,6
26	1,3	0,9	0,6
27	7,4	6,0	2,5
28	7,2	3,0	2,1
29	3,8	2,0	3,7
30	1,2	0,4	0,7
31	1,0	1,2	8,7
32	2,4	11,9	40,8
33	6,9	0,4	2,9
34	2,2	8,8	4,5
35	1,8	1,8	0,6
36	2,9	4,4	2,5
38	1,6	3,6	1,0
49	0,2	1,4	1,5

With the help of the Airbus Industry Comparison Method (AICM) - also described in the VDI article "Wartungsaufwandsanalyse auf Systemebene" (Maintenance Effort Analysis at System Level) - data from existing aircraft (as in Table 2) can be used to infer the corresponding data of projected systems.

### 3 Division of Maintenance Costs



**Figure 1** Division of Direct Maintenance Costs (DMC)



**Figure 2** Development of maintenance costs for different maintenance events