



SCHEDULED REPLACEMENT OF ITEMS IN DIFFERENT STAGES OF FAILURE WITH MINIMAL REPAIR AND DISCOUNTING RATE

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Abstract:

This paper discusses the replacement of item in discrete schedules, involving minor repair with discounting rate. In my study, it was observed that for some or other reason, a running system cannot be replaced at fixed time length. The ideal time of replacement of system may be some weeks, some months, some years and so on. This paper focuses on replacement of items at ideal time with discrete discount rate and summarises explicit expression of replacement of machine on discounted discrete schedules in three stages of failure. The assumption in my study is that the replacement or repair of items at scheduled time is NT ($N= 1, 2, 3, \dots$) for fixed $T > 0$ involving minimal repair with discounting rate $\beta > 0$. For theoretical result, a numerical example has been provided.

Keywords: Replacement, Repair, Discrete, Discounted, Optimal, Stage.

1. Introduction

Productivity, better quality of product and reliability technology have been playing a vital role in modern world. The reliability analysis deals with the proper functioning of the components and making the system more effective. Any operating system fails completely or temporarily at any time when it is in operating condition. Once an operating system fails completely, it can be replaced by a new one and when the operating system fails temporarily then it may be repaired. In such a situation the decision to replace or repair the operating system is made on the parameter of cost benefit. If any system fails then it has a direct effect on production, customer's relationship and revenue. In such situations, operating system is repaired or replaced periodically. i.e. some weekend, at the interval of some months or at the year ends.

Many researchers work in the field of reliability on stochastic nature with different types of failure, repair and replacement strategies. Cao et al (1989) discussed on reliability analysis of system with replaceable repair facility in the system. Nafeesa Bashir, JPS Joorel, TR Jan (2021) discussed on Reliability Analysis of Two Unit Standby Model with Controlled and Uncontrolled Failure of Unit and Replacement Facility Available in the System. Murthy, P.R (2007). Operations Research. 2nd Edition, proposed a replacement model when items fail

suddenly. They calculate probability of failure through utilized relative frequency approach. Enogwe et al,(2018) modified Murthy model to calculate replacement cost of items that are in random nature. After this use goodness – of – fit test calculate the probability distribution that best describe the failure time and replacement cost. Tomohiro Kitagawa, Tetsushi Yuge, shigeru Yanagi.(2018), discuss replacement time of a single – unit one – shot system when failure system removed by minimal repair. Again they compare the two replacement policies that manage the number of failure and the number of periodic inspection. J. H. Lim, Jian Qu, Ming J.Zuo (2016), discussed replacement policy based on imperfect repair with random probability. Also incorporate expected cost rate per unit time are derived for both the infinite – horizon case and the one replacement cycle. Yusuf Bashir, Yusuf Ibrahim, Yakasai M.Bashir (2015) discussed age and random preventive maintenance policy for a system with two types of failures.

In this research paper, three stages of failure of a system have been considered, which are stage I, stage II and stage III. Stage I failure is catastrophic failure, which occur suddenly and is not repairable. Both stage II and stage III failures occur gradually and depend on time and frequency of use. The rate of failure of stage III is greater than that of stage II. Similarly, the failure rate of stage II is greater than the failure rate of stage I. Replacement action is instant, when it reaches planned replacement time NT for a fixed time T to include the discounting factor β in the replacement model. e^{-NT} will be included for each of an associated cost of replace/repair of a type of failure of the system, where β is fixed.

2. Model Notations and description

Notations:

β : Discount Rate

$s_1(t)$: Failure rate of unit in first stage

$s_2(t)$: Failure rate of unit in second stage

$s_3(t)$: Failure rate of unit in third stage

$R_1(t)$: Reliability function of the unit due to first stage failure

$F_1(t)$: Failure distribution of unit in first stage

c_2 : Minimal repair cost of unit in second stage

c_3 : Minimal repair cost of unit in third stage

c_p : Scheduled replacement cost of unit at NT , for $N = 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots$

c_{up} : Un-planned replacement cost of unit in first stage failure

N^* : Optimal scheduled replacement time of the unit.

2.1 Description:

1. Second stage and third stage failures are repairable while un-repairable failure is put in first stage.
2. For cost of replacement/repair we follow order: $c_{up} > c_p > c_2 > c_3$
3. All the three failures are detected instantaneously.
4. If any unit fails in first stage then it is replaced instantaneously with a new one.

5. If any unit fails in second and/or third stages then it is repaired and operates whenever it is not stopped.

6. The unit is replaced at a fixed scheduled time NT.

7. In First and second stage failure, repair time is negligible.

2.2 Methodology:

On the basis of assumptions,

The reliability function of unit in first stage failure is

$$R_1(NT) = e^{-\int_0^{NT} s_1(t)dt} \quad (1)$$

Replacement cost of unit in first stage in one replacement cycle is

$$\int_0^{NT} c_{up} e^{-\beta t} dF_1(t) \quad (2)$$

Scheduled replacement cost of unit at NT time in one replacement cycle is

$$c_p e^{-\beta(NT)} R_1(NT) \quad (3)$$

Minimal repair cost of unit due to second stage failure in one replacement cycle is

$$\int_0^{NT} c_2 s_2(t) e^{-\beta t} R_1(t) dt \quad (4)$$

Minimal repair cost of unit due to third stage failure in one replacement cycle is

$$\int_0^{NT} c_3 s_3(t) e^{-\beta t} R_1(t) dt \quad (5)$$

The average of one replacement cycle is

$$\int_0^{NT} \alpha e^{-\beta t} R_1(t) dt \quad (6)$$

From (2) to (6), the average replacement of discounted cost of the unit in one replacement cycle is;

$$C_{avg}(N) = \frac{c_p e^{-\beta(NT)} R_1(NT) + \int_0^{NT} c_{up} e^{-\beta t} dF_1(t) + \int_0^{NT} c_2 s_2(t) e^{-\beta t} R_1(t) dt + \int_0^{NT} c_3 s_3(t) e^{-\beta t} R_1(t) dt}{\int_0^{NT} \alpha e^{-\beta t} R_1(t) dt} \quad (7)$$

$$\because F_1(t) = 1 - R_1(t) \Rightarrow dF_1(t) = s_1(t) R_1(t) dt$$

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$$= \frac{c_p e^{-\beta(NT)} R_1(NT) + \int_0^{NT} \gamma(t) e^{-\beta t} R_1(t) dt}{\int_0^{NT} \beta e^{-\beta t} R_1(t) dt} \quad (9)$$

$$\text{Where } \gamma(t) = c_{up} s_1(t) + c_2 s_2(t) + c_3 s_3(t) \quad (10)$$

Here $C_{avg}(N)$ is our objective function which is to be optimized, and the aim is to obtain an optimum number of replacements of item that minimize $C_{avg}(N)$.

3. Numerical Example

Through Weibull alternative parameterization,

Rate of stage I failure is

$$s_1(t) = \lambda_1 \alpha_1 t^{\alpha_1 - 1} \quad \alpha_1 > 0, \quad t \geq 0 \quad (11)$$

Rate of stage II failure is

$$s_2(t) = \lambda_2 \alpha_2 t^{\alpha_2 - 1} \quad \alpha_2 > 0, \quad t \geq 0 \quad (12)$$

Rate of stage III failure is

$$s_3(t) = \lambda_3 \alpha_3 t^{\alpha_3 - 1} \quad \alpha_3 > 0 \quad t \geq 0 \quad (13)$$

Through illustrative example we find the repair/ replacement cost, we set the parameter as follows:

$$\alpha_1 = 2, \quad \alpha_2 = 3, \quad \alpha_3 = 4$$

$$\lambda_1 = 0.0004, \quad \lambda_2 = 0.002, \quad \lambda_3 = 0.005$$

$$c_{up} = 30, \quad c_p = 20, \quad c_2 = 5, \quad c_3 = 2.5$$

Substituting these values in (11), (12) and (13) then failure rate of different stage is obtained as follows:

$$s_1(t) = 0.0008t \quad (14)$$

$$s_2(t) = 0.006t^2 \quad (15)$$

$$s_3(t) = 0.02t^3 \quad (16)$$

Optimal replacement/Repair items that minimize cost for different values of discounting rate through assumed cost.

Table-1

The values of $C(N)$ for different $N(1, 2, 3, 4, \dots)$ and different values of discounting factor (β), When $T = 1$.

N	$C_{avg.}(N)$ when $\beta = 0.02$	$C_{avg.}(N)$ when $\beta = 0.04$	$C_{avg.}(N)$ when $\beta = 0.06$	$C_{avg.}(N)$ when $\beta = 0.08$	$C_{avg.}(N)$ when $\beta = 0.1$
1	9914.8527	4907.8951	3239.1315	2404.9163	1904.5204
2	4976.4988	2438.8517	1593.4150	1171.0295	917.8652
3	3454.1355	1676.7294	1084.9348	789.5414	612.7094
4	2882.5296	1387.7430	890.4025	642.4235	494.1861
5	2795.2625	1337.0951	852.2547	610.7481	466.5741
6	3057.9780	1455.6151	923.0972	622.4120	499.9994
7	3630.2048	1720.6857	1086.3345	770.8005	582.8047
8	4505.7540	2126.4590	1336.3388	943.5791	709.8033
9	5692.8030	2673.9181	1671.8409	1174.1009	878.1794
10	7205.8883	3366.8951	2093.2972	1461.3037	1086.1102

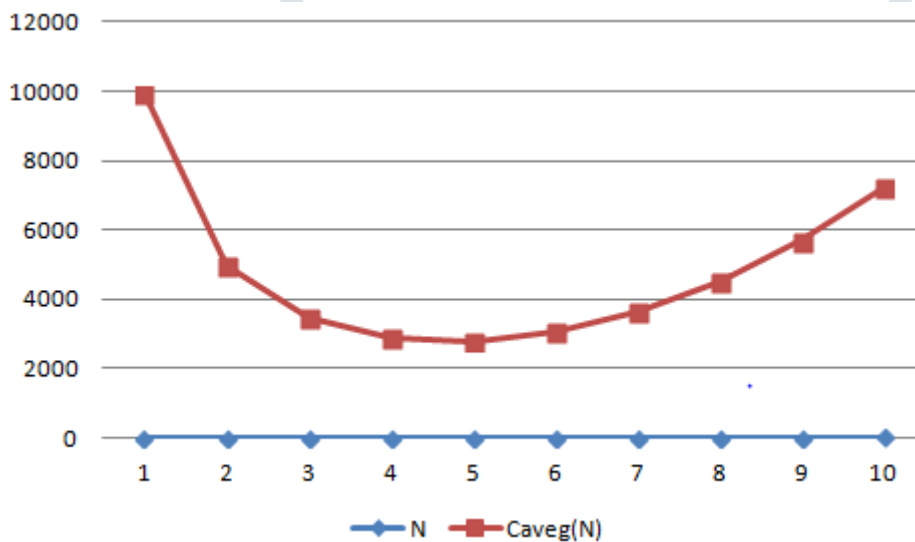


Fig. 1. Graph of $C_{avg.}(N)$ for different values of N When $T = 1$ and $\beta = 0.02$

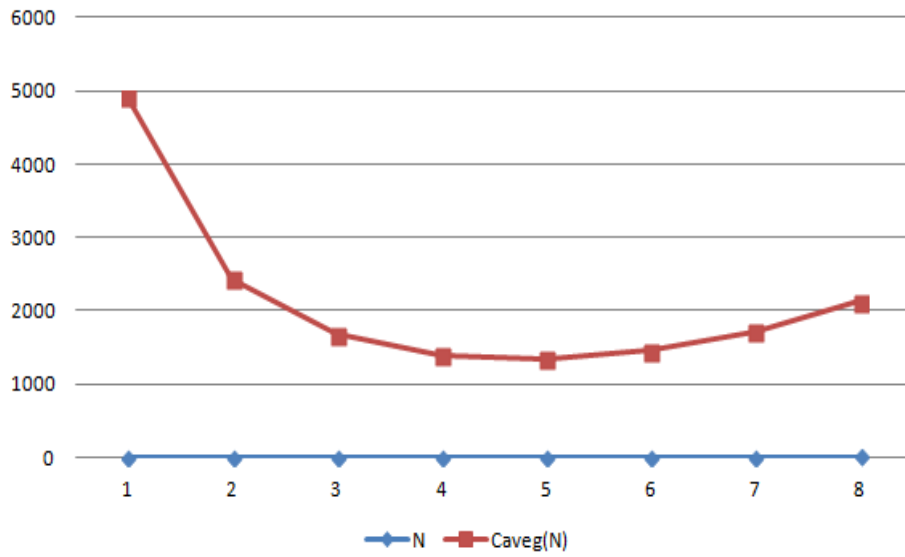


Fig.2. Graph of $C_{avg}(N)$ for different values of N When $T = 1$ and $\beta = 0.04$

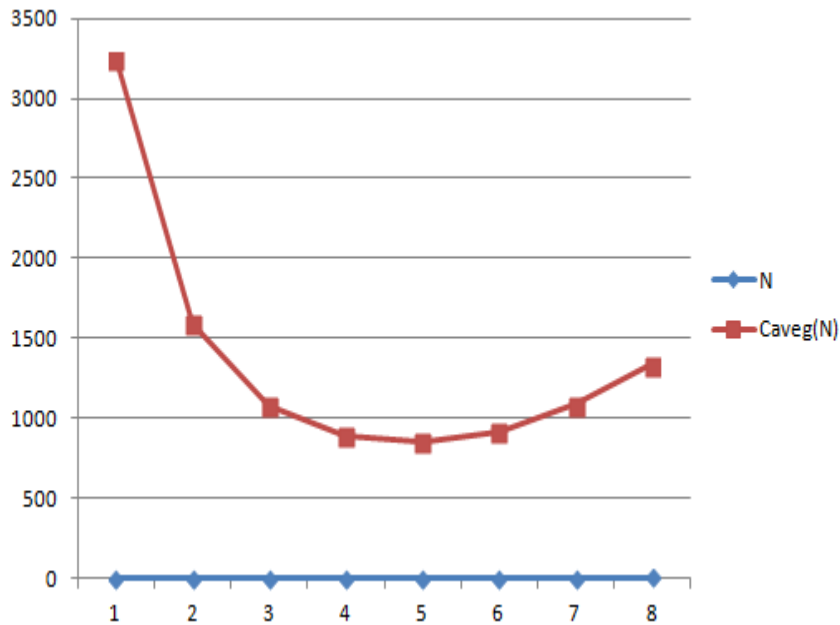


Fig.3. Graph of $C_{avg}(N)$ for different values of N When $T = 1$ and $\beta = 0.06$

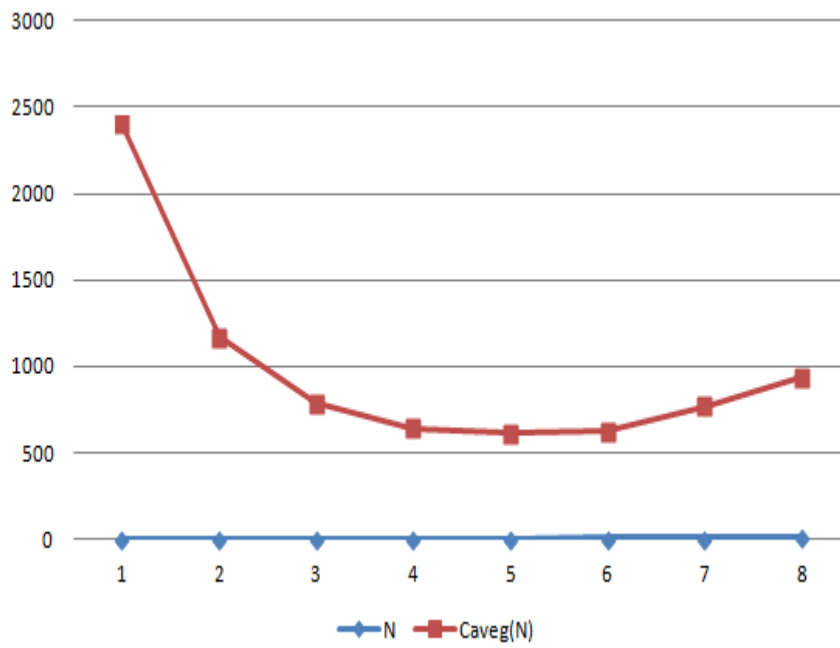


Fig. 4. Graph of $C_{avg.}(N)$ for different values of N When $T = 1$ and $\beta = 0.08$

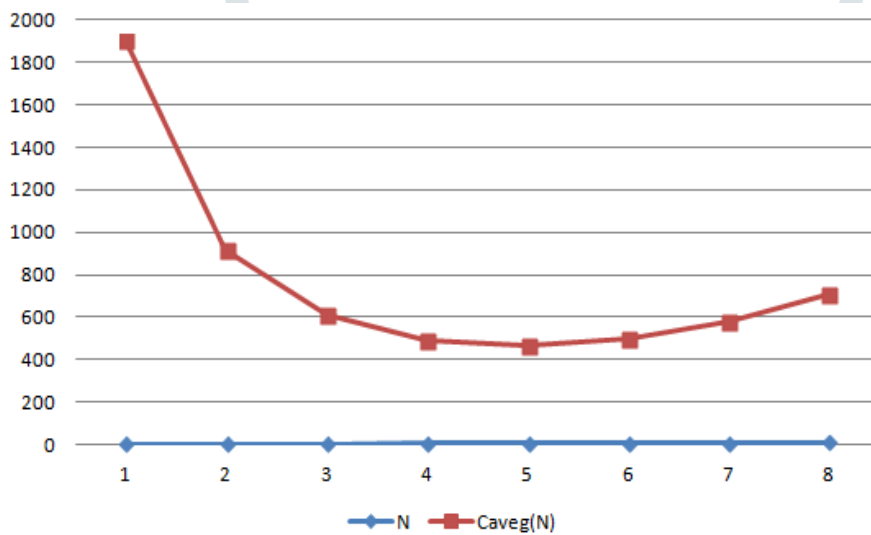


Fig. 5. Graph of $C_{avg.}(N)$ for different values of N When $T = 1$ and $\beta = 0.1$

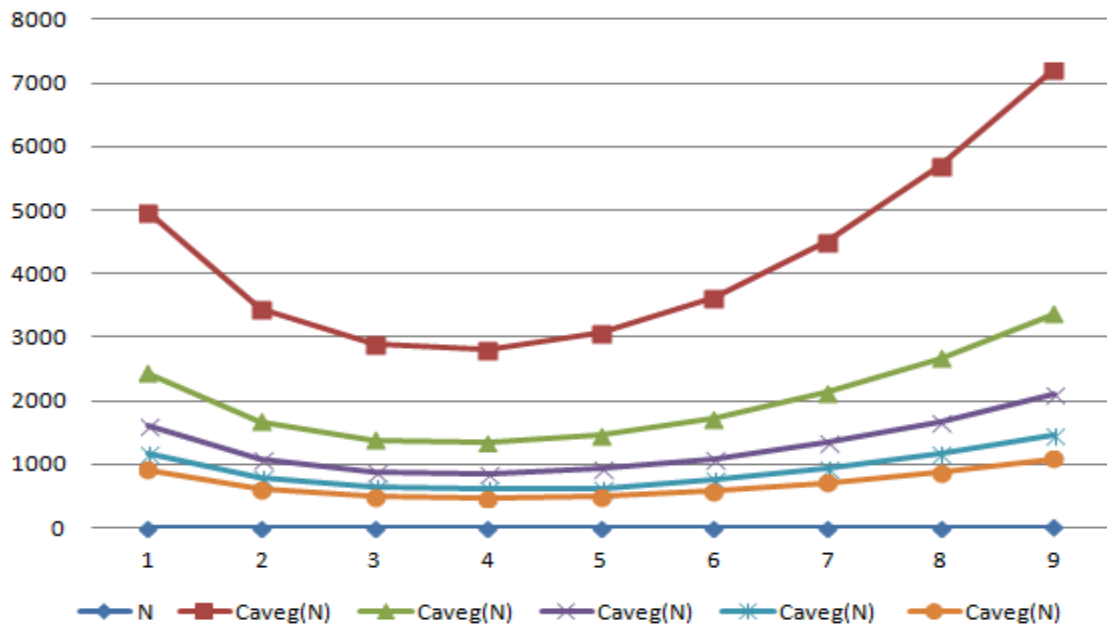


Fig. 6. Comparing the different values for β

Table-2

The values of C(N) for different N(1, 2, 3, 4,) and different values of T and fixed discounting rate 0.02

N	C avg.(N) when T =1	C avg.(N) when T =2	C avg. (N) when T = 3	C avg. (N) when T =4	C avg.(N) when T =5
1	9914.8527	4976.4888	3454.1355	2882.5296	2795.2625
2	4976.4988	2882.5296	3057.9780	4505.7540	7205.8883
3	3454.1355	3057.9780	5692.8030	11279.8755	20274.5063
4	2882.5296	4505.7540	11279.8755	24105.7979	43923.9760
5	2795.2625	7205.8883	20274.5063	43923.9760	79286.0692
6	3057.9780	11279.8755	33096.8994	71261.1088	126328.3459
7	3630.2048	16869.5880	50043.2683	106160.7698	183877.7500
8	4505.7540	24105.7979	71261.1088	148188.0735	249791.5077
9	5692.8030	33096.8994	96742.7726	196474.1740	321231.9972
10	7205.8883	43923.9760	126328.3459	249791.5077	395007.5797

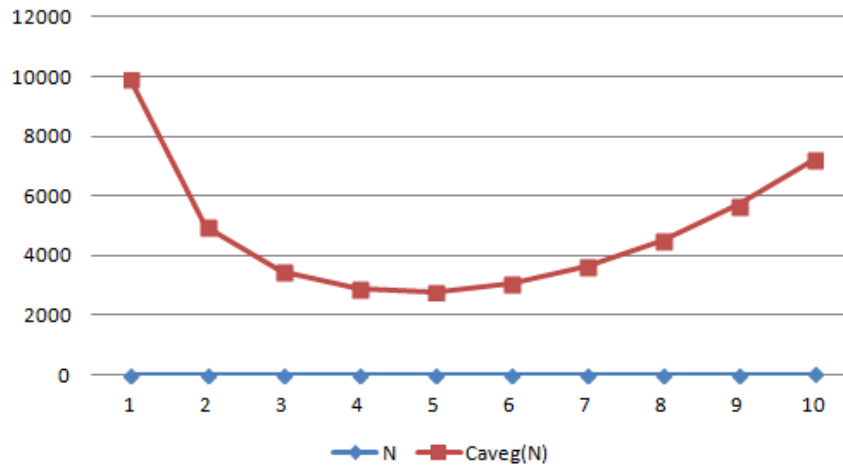


Fig. 7. Graph of $C_{avg.}(N)$ for different values of N When $T = 1$ and $\beta = 0.02$

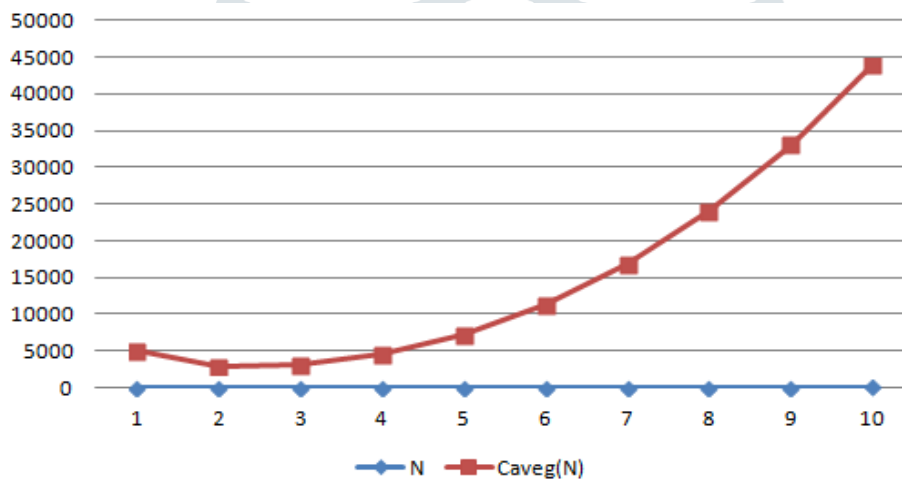


Fig. 8. Graph of $C_{avg.}(N)$ for different values of N When $T = 2$ and $\beta = 0.02$

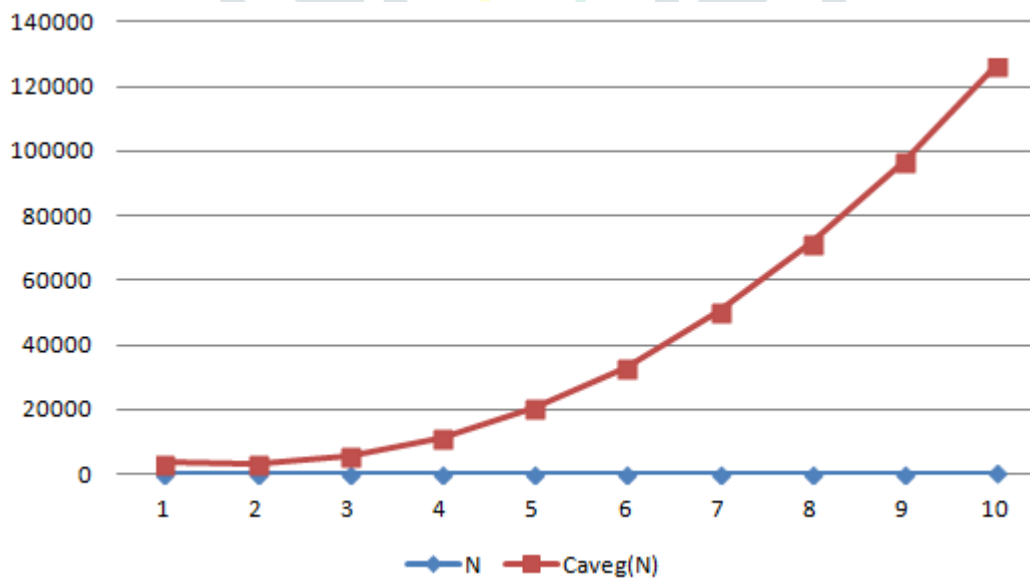


Fig. 9. Graph of $C_{avg.}(N)$ for different values of N When $T = 3$ and $\beta = 0.02$

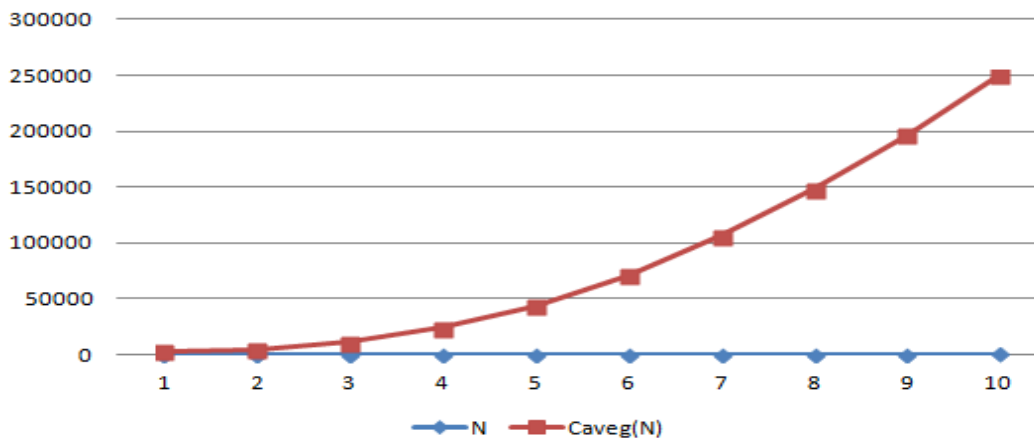


Fig. 10. Graph of $C_{avg}(N)$ for different values of N When $T = 4$ and $\beta = 0.02$

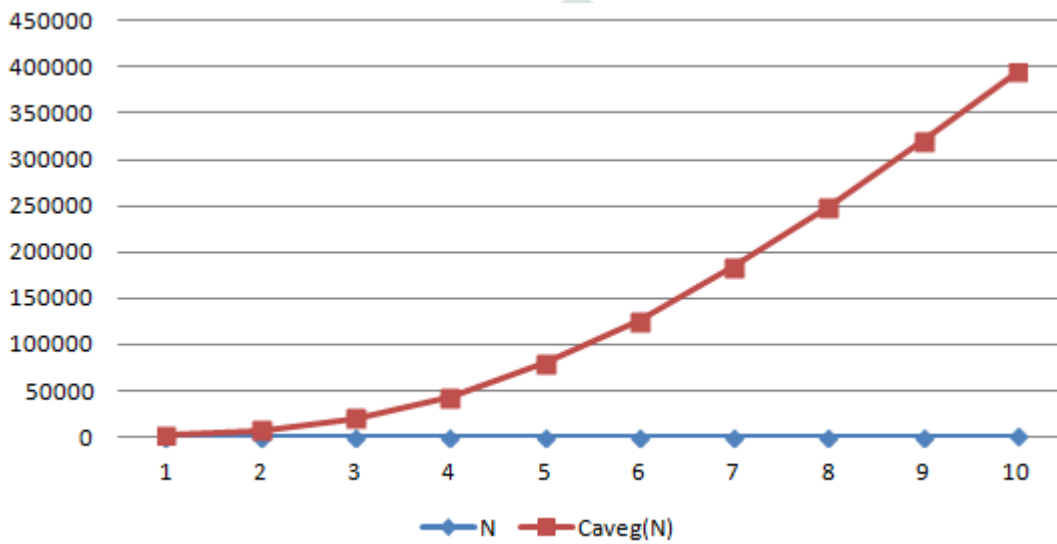


Fig. 11. Graph of $C_{avg}(N)$ for different values of N When $T = 5$ and $\beta = 0.02$

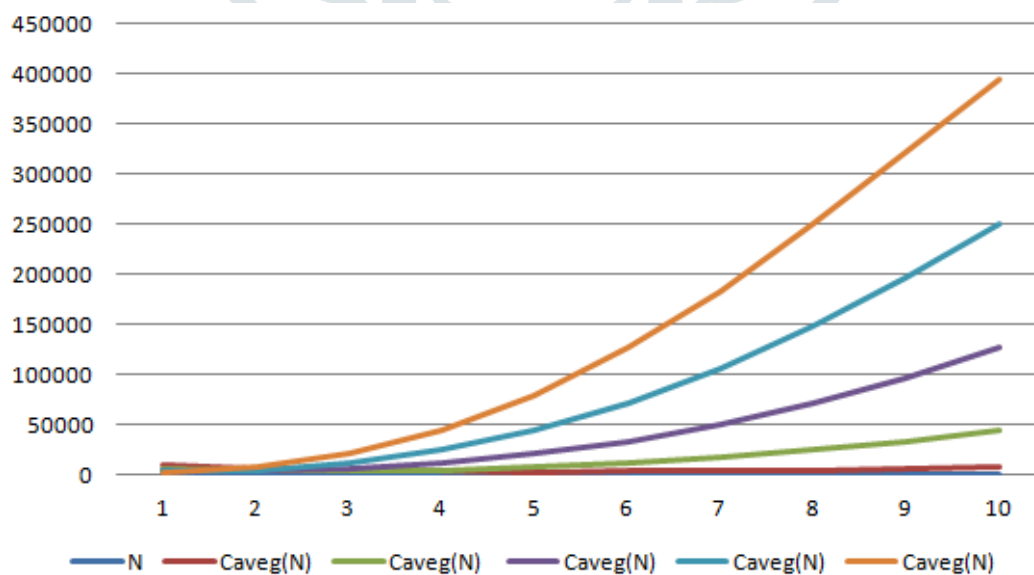


Fig. 12. Comparing the different values for T

3.1 Result:

From Table-1 we observed that optimal replacement time of unit is $N^* = 5$, with average cost rate $C_{avg.}(N^*) = 2795.2625$, when $T = 1$, and discounting rate $\beta = 0.02$

- From Table-1 we observed that optimal replacement time of unit is $N^* = 5$, with average cost rate $C_{avg.}(N^*) = 1337.0951$, when $T = 1$, and discounting rate $\beta = 0.04$
- From Table-1 we observed that optimal replacement time of unit is $N^* = 5$, with average cost rate $C_{avg.}(N^*) = 852.2547$, when $T = 1$, and discounting rate $\beta = 0.06$
- From Table-1 we observed that optimal replacement time of unit is $N^* = 5$, with average cost rate $C_{avg.}(N^*) = 610.7481$, when $T = 1$, and discounting rate $\beta = 0.08$
- From Table-1 we observed that optimal replacement time of unit is $N^* = 5$, with average cost rate $C_{avg.}(N^*) = 466.5741$, when $T = 1$, and discounting rate $\beta = 0.1$
- From Table-2 we observed that optimal replacement time of unit is $N^* = 5$, with average cost rate $C_{avg.}(N^*) = 2795.2625$, when $T = 1$, and discounting rate $\beta = 0.02$
- From Table-2 we observed that optimal replacement time of unit is $N^* = 2$, with average cost rate $C_{avg.}(N^*) = 2882.5296$, when $T = 2$, and discounting rate $\beta = 0.02$
- From Table-2 we observed that optimal replacement time of unit is $N^* = 2$, with average cost rate $C_{avg.}(N^*) = 3057.9780$, when $T = 3$, and discounting rate $\beta = 0.02$
- From Table-2 we observed that when $T = 4, 5$ cost rate is increase continuous when discounting rate $\beta = 0.02$

4. Conclusion:

In this research work, the scheduled replacement of items in different stages of failure was investigated. It was taken into consideration that the failure of items occurs in three stages. First stage failure is non-repairable while second and third stage failures are repairable with time and subject to use. Few numerical examples have been provided that display the effect of discounting rate on scheduled replacement time. The numerical example has also highlighted the characteristic of the model. This research work is crucial to engineers, maintenance managers and plant management in replacing units at ideal time intervals such as weekends, month end or year-end respectively.

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