

OVERVIEW

MODAPTS® is an acronym for **Modular Arrangement of Predetermined Time Standards**. The original database was introduced in 1966 and was called Concise MODAPTS. A clerical database was introduced in 1969 called Office MODAPTS. This was followed in 1974 by Transit MODAPTS, a database for handling of large/heavy articles. Today a few of the data elements from these two systems have been integrated in to the original system.

MODAPTS provides a fast, consistent method of determining a “fair day’s work” in manufacturing plants, offices, distribution centers and rehabilitation centers. The system is both practical and to the point. It has been tested and thoroughly proven in over 40 countries worldwide.

MODAPTS has many outstanding features. Two that distinguish it from other predetermined time systems are:

1. Time values are expressed in units called MODs. A MOD is equal to 129 milliseconds, or 0.00215 minutes.
2. Element data codes are alpha-numeric. The alpha letter is the first letter of the activity described. The numeric character is the time value required to complete the activity.

MODAPTS may be used manually, or with the aid of a computer. The advantages of using a computer are in data management. Previous studies utilized for editing to correct simple changes to the method. Also, previous studies can be used as templates to construct new standards, requiring only a fraction of the time required to develop a completely new study. Mass updates, “where used” lists and reports are all available with a computer.

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