

## Achievement Standard

<b>Subject Reference</b>	Mathematics and Statistics 3.4		
<b>Title</b>	Use critical path analysis in solving problems		
<b>Level</b>	3	<b>Credits</b>	2
		<b>Assessment</b>	Internal
<b>Subfield</b>	Mathematics		
<b>Domain</b>	Geometry		
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This achievement standard involves using critical path analysis in solving problems.

### Achievement Criteria

Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use critical path analysis in solving problems.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use critical path analysis, with relational thinking, in solving problems.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use critical path analysis, with extended abstract thinking, in solving problems.</li> </ul>

### Explanatory Notes

- This achievement standard is derived from Level 8 of *The New Zealand Curriculum*, Learning Media, Ministry of Education, 2007; and is related to the achievement objective:
  - Develop network diagrams to find optimal solutions, including critical paths in the Mathematics strand of the Mathematics and Statistics Learning Area. It is also related to the material in the *Teaching and Learning Guide for Mathematics and Statistics*, Ministry of Education, 2012, at <http://seniorsecondary.tki.org.nz>.
- Use critical path analysis in solving problems* involves:
  - selecting and using methods
  - demonstrating knowledge of concepts and terms
  - communicating using appropriate representations.

*Relational thinking* involves one or more of:

- selecting and carrying out a logical sequence of steps
- connecting different concepts or representations
- demonstrating understanding of concepts
- forming and using a model;

and also relating findings to a context, or communicating thinking using appropriate mathematical statements.

*Extended abstract thinking* involves one or more of:

- devising a strategy to investigate or solve a problem
- identifying relevant concepts in context
- developing a chain of logical reasoning, or proof
- forming a generalisation;

and also using correct mathematical statements, or communicating mathematical insight.

- 3 *Problems* are situations that provide opportunities to apply knowledge or understanding of mathematical concepts and methods. Situations will be set in real-life or mathematical contexts.
  - 4 Methods include a selection from those related to:
    - precedence tables
    - network diagrams
    - critical events
    - scheduling
    - float times.
  - 5 Conditions of Assessment related to this achievement standard can be found at [www.tki.org.nz/e/community/ncea/conditions-assessment.php](http://www.tki.org.nz/e/community/ncea/conditions-assessment.php).
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- 2 Organisations with consent to assess and Industry Training Organisations assessing against achievement standards must engage with the moderation system that applies to those achievement standards.

Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference

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