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**Ch. 11: Service Dept. and Joint Cost Allocation**

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Clerical: number of transactions processed (Total 75)

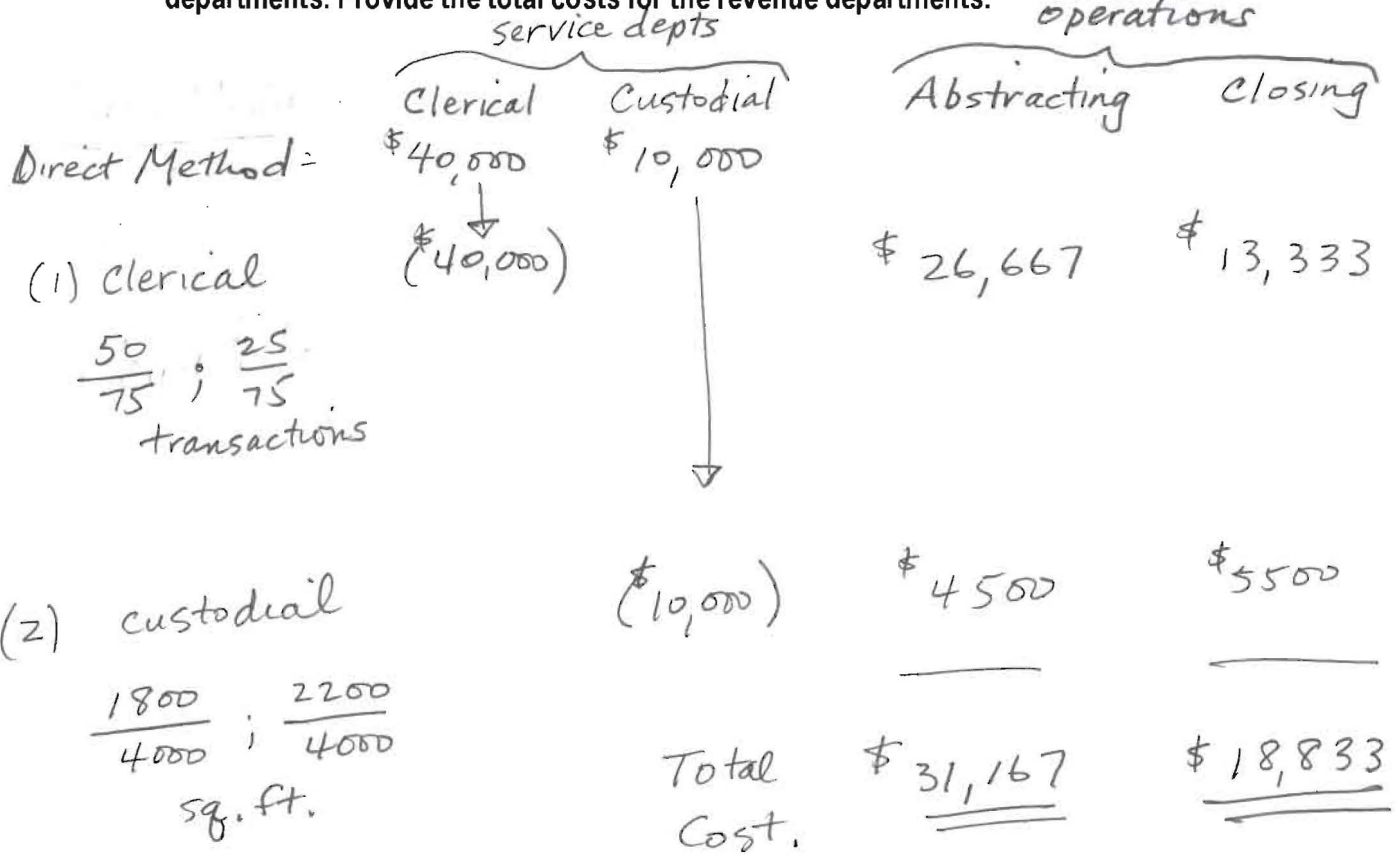
Custodial: square footage of space occupied

Average and expected activity levels for next month are as follows:

	Number of Transactions	Square Footage	Expected Costs
Abstract services	50	1,800	
Closing services	25	2,200	
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**Abstract: \$31,167; Close: \$18,833**

<u>Dept</u>	<u>Allocation</u>	<u>Clerical</u>	<u>Cust</u>	<u>Abstract</u>	<u>Close</u>
		\$40,000	\$10,000		
Cleric to Abstr	50:75	-26,667		26,667	
Cleric to Close	25:75	-13,333			13,333
Cust to Abstr	1,800:4,000		-4,500	4,500	
Cust to Close	2,200:4,000		-5,500		5,500
		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>\$31,167</u>	<u>\$18,833</u>

**Feedback:**

**AACSB: Analytic**

**AICPA: FN-Measurement**

**Bloom's: Application**

**Difficulty: Medium**

**Learning Objective: 2**

**Topic Area: Direct Method**

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Average and expected activity levels for next month are as follows:

	Number of Transactions	Square Footage	Expected Costs
Abstract services	50	1,800	5600
Closing services	25	2,200	
Clerical		1,600	\$40,000
Custodial	5		10,000

*Handwritten notes: 80 } 75, 4000 }*

Required:

a. Use the step method to allocate the service department costs to the revenue generating departments. Assume Clerical costs are allocated before Custodial costs and round all calculations to the nearest whole dollar. Provide the total costs for the revenue departments.

b. Use the step method to allocate the service department costs to the revenue generating departments but now assume Custodial costs are allocated before Clerical costs. Provide the total costs for the revenue departments.

Step Method =

	Clerical	Custodial	Abstracting	Closing
Initial	40,000	10,000		
(1) Clerical	(40,000)	2,500	25,000	12,500
Allocation: $\frac{5}{80}; \frac{50}{80}; \frac{25}{80}$				
(2) Custodial		(12,500)	5,625	6,875
Allocation: $\frac{1800}{4000}; \frac{2200}{4000}$				
Total Costs			\$ 30,625	\$ 19,375

	Custodial	Clerical	Abstracting	Closing
(1) Custodial	(10,000)	40,000		
Allocation: $\frac{1600}{5600}; \frac{1800}{5600}; \frac{2200}{5600}$				
(2) Clerical		(42,857)	28,571	14,286
Allocation: $\frac{50}{75}; \frac{25}{75}$				
Total Costs			\$ 31,785	\$ 18,215

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a. Abstract: \$30,625; Close: \$19,375

b. Abstract: \$31,785; Close: \$18,215

**Feedback:** AACSB: Analytic; AICPA: FN-Measurement; Bloom's: Application; Difficulty: Medium; Learning Objective: 3; Topic Area: Step Method

a.

Dept	Allocation	Clerical	Cust	Abstract	Close
		\$40,000	\$10,000		
Cleric to Cust	5/80	-2,500	2,500		
Cleric to Abstr	50/80	-25,000		25,000	
Cleric to Close	25/80	-12,500			12,500
Cust to Abstr	1,800/4,000		-5,625	5,625	
Cust to Close	2,200/4,000		-6,875		6,875
		0	0	\$30,625	\$19,375

b.

Dept	Allocation	Clerical	Cust	Abstract	Close
		\$40,000	\$10,000		
Cust to Cleric	1,600/5,600	2,857	-2,857		
Cust to Abstr	1,800/5,600		-3,214	3,214	
Cust to Close	2,200/5,600		-3,929		3,929
Cleric to Abstr	50/75	-28,571		28,571	
Cleric to Close	25/75	-14,286			14,286
		0	0	\$31,785	\$18,215



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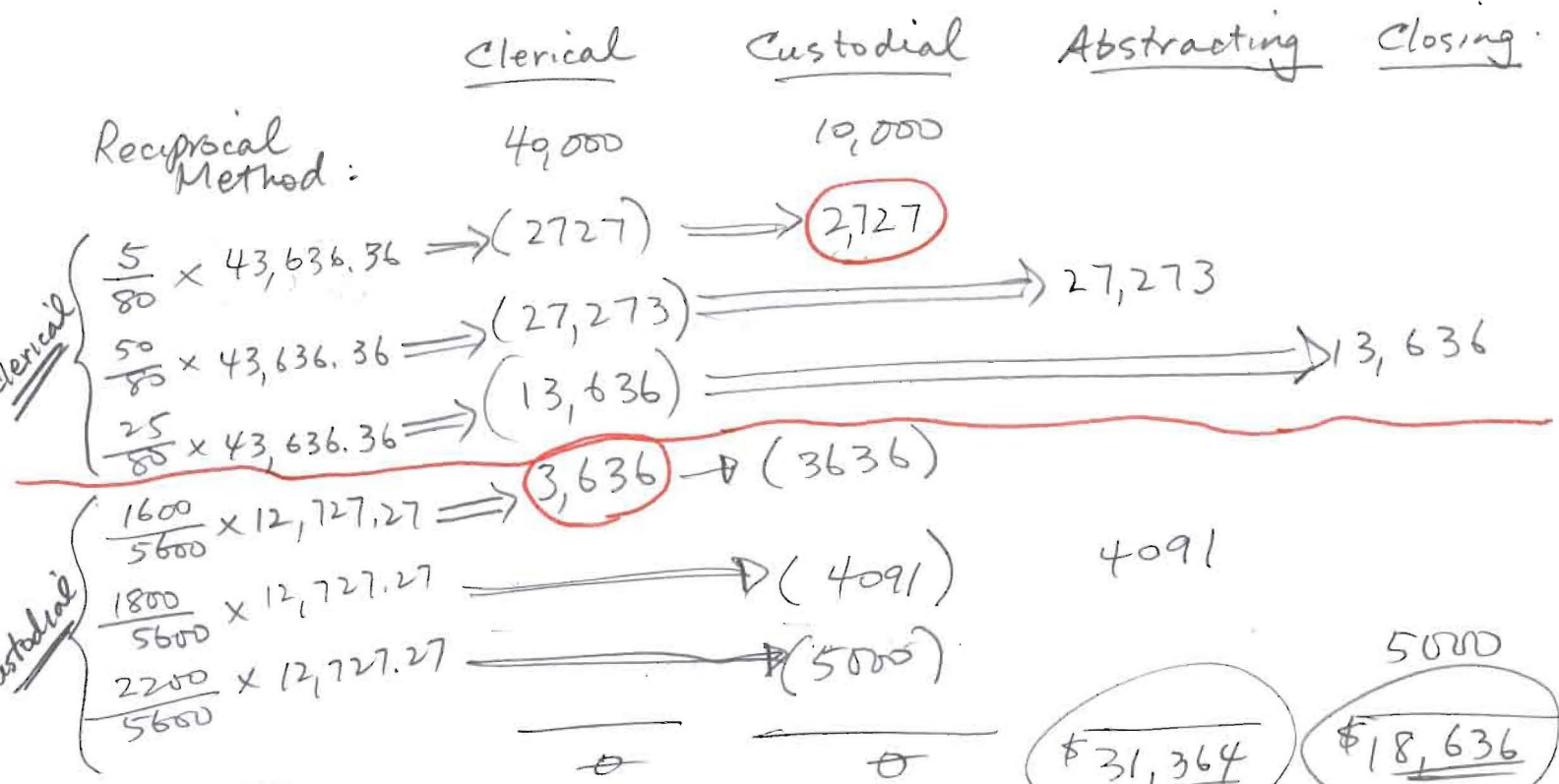
Clerical: number of transactions processed  $\Rightarrow \$40,000 + (\frac{1600}{5600} \times \text{Custodial}) = \text{Clerical}$   
 Custodial: square footage of space occupied  $\Rightarrow \$10,000 + (\frac{5}{80} \times \text{Clerical}) = \text{Custodial}$   
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Clerical	5	1,600	10,000
Custodial			

*Handwritten notes: 80 (sum of 50 and 25), 5600 (sum of 1,800, 2,200, and 1,600), 50,000 (sum of 40,000 and 10,000)*

Required:

Use the **reciprocal method** to allocate the service department costs to the revenue generating departments. Provide the total costs for the revenue departments.



Clerical =

$$1C = 40,000 + \left( \frac{1600}{5600} \times \left[ 10,000 + \frac{5}{80} C \right] \right)$$

Total Service Cost + Cost allocated to the service dept.

$$1C = 40,000 + 2,857.142 + 0.0178571 C$$

$$.9821429 C = 42,857.142$$

$$\text{Clerical} = 43,636.36 \Rightarrow$$

$$10,000 + \left( \frac{5}{80} \times 43,636.36 \right) = \text{Custodial}$$

$$= \$12,727.272 \text{ Custodial}$$

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Use the reciprocal method to allocate the service department costs to the revenue generating departments. Provide the total costs for the revenue departments.

Abstract: \$31,364; Close: \$18,636

Feedback: Clerical = \$40,000 + (1,600/5,600 × Custodial) = 43,636.36

Custodial = \$10,000 + (5/80 × Clerical)

Clerical = \$43,636.36; Custodial = \$12,727.27

a.		Clerical	Cust	Abstract	Close
<u>Dept</u>	<u>Allocation</u>	\$40,000	\$10,000		
Cleric to Cust	5/80	-2,727	2,727		
Cleric to Abstr	50/80	-27,273		27,273	
Cleric to Close	25/80	-13,636			13,636
Cust to Cleric	1,600/5,600	3,636	-3,636		
Cust to Abstr	1,800/5,600		-4,091	4,091	
Cust to Close	2,200/5,600		-5,000		5,000
		0	0	\$31,364	\$18,636

AACSB: Analytic; AICPA: FN-Measurement; Bloom's: Application; Difficulty: Hard; Learning Objective: 4; Topic Area: Reciprocal Method

4. Albertville Corp has three operating departments (Fabricating, Assembly, and Finishing) and two service departments (Custodial and Administrative). The following information has been provided:

	service		operating			Total
	Custodial	Admin	Fabricating	Assembly	Finishing	
Dept Costs	\$250,000	\$400,000	--	--	--	
= employees	10	250	80	100	60	250
Sq ft	--	15,000	30,000	35,000	20,000	100,000

Allocations are based on the following:

- Custodial: Square feet
- Administrative: Number of employees

Required:

Albertville has been approached by ServiceMaster to outsource the custodial service. Assuming all costs are variable, what is the relevant cost of the custodial department to compare with the ServiceMaster bid?

$$\text{Custodial} = \$250,000 + \left( \frac{10}{250} \times \text{Admin} \right)$$

$$\text{Admin} = \$400,000 + \left( \frac{15,000}{100,000} \times \text{Cust} \right)$$

$$\text{Cust} = 250,000 + \frac{10}{250} \times \left[ 400,000 + \left( \frac{15,000}{100,000} \times \text{Cust} \right) \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1 \text{ Cust} &= 250,000 + 16,000 + 0.006 \text{ Cust} \\ - 0.006 \text{ Cust} & \end{aligned}$$

$$0.994 \text{ Cust} = 266,000$$

$$\text{Cust} = \underline{\underline{\$266,159.69}} \Rightarrow$$

~~$$\text{Admin} = 400,000 + \left( \frac{15,000}{100,000} \times 266,159.69 \right)$$~~

~~$$\text{Admin} = \underline{\underline{\$439,923.95}}$$~~

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**\$267,606**

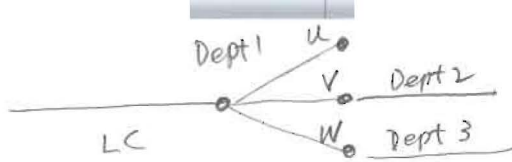
Feedback: Custodial = \$250,000 + (10/(10 + 80 + 100 + 60) × Admin)

Admin = \$400,000 + (15,000/(15,000 + 30,000 + 35,000 + 20,000) × Custodial)

Custodial = \$267,606

**AACSB: Analytic; AICPA: FN-Decision Making; Bloom's: Analysis; Difficulty: Medium; Learning Objective: 5; Topic Area: The Reciprocal Method and Decision Making**





5. Daz Manufacturing Company buys Liquid Charcoal for \$.80 a gallon. At the end of processing in department 1, the liquid charcoal splits off into Products U, V, and W. Product U is sold at the split-off point, with no further processing. Products V and W require further processing before they can be sold; Product V is processed in Department 2, and Product W is processed in Department 3. Following is a summary of costs and other related data for the most recent accounting period:

	Department		
	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>
Cost of liquid charcoal	\$104,000		
Direct labor	16,000	45,000	65,000
Manufacturing overhead	10,000	27,000	49,000
	<u>\$130,000</u>	<u>72,000</u>	<u>114,000</u>

	Products			Total
	U	V	W	
Gallons sold	20,000	30,000	50,000	130,000
Gallons on hand end of period	15,000	0	15,000	
Sales in dollars	\$30,000	\$96,000	\$142,000	
Price/gallon sold	\$1.50	\$3.20	\$2.84	

There were no beginning inventories and there was no liquid charcoal on hand at the end of the period. All gallons on hand in ending inventory were complete as to processing. Daz uses the estimated net realizable value method of allocating joint costs.

Required:

- Determine the product cost for U, V and W, assuming the physical quantity method is used to allocate joint costs.
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Physical Quantities

Dept 1

$$(a) U = \frac{35,000}{130,000} \times \$130,000 = \$35,000$$

$$V = \frac{30,000}{130,000} \times \$130,000 = \$30,000$$

$$W = \frac{65,000}{130,000} \times \$130,000 = \$65,000$$

(b) NRV ⇒

U = 35,000 gal × \$1.50 = \$52,500	} \$333,100
V = 30,000 gal × \$3.20 = \$96,000	
W = 65,000 gal × \$2.84 = \$184,600	

U: $\frac{52,500}{333,100} \times \$130,000 = \$20,489$	} \$130,000
V: $\frac{96,000}{333,100} \times \$130,000 = \$37,466$	
W: $\frac{184,600}{333,100} \times \$130,000 = \$72,045$	

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Required:

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- a. U: ~~\$30,000~~<sup>35,000</sup>; V: ~~\$35,000~~<sup>30,000</sup>; W: \$65,000  
 b. U: \$30,000; V: \$35,000; W: \$65,000

Feedback: Joint Cost = \$104,000 + 16,000 + 10,000 = \$130,000

a. U:  $[(20,000 + 15,000)/(20,000 + 15,000 + 30,000 + 50,000 + 15,000)] \times \$130,000 = \$35,000$

V:  $[30,000/(20,000 + 15,000 + 30,000 + 50,000 + 15,000)] \times \$130,000 = \$30,000$

W:  $[(50,000 + 15,000)/(20,000 + 15,000 + 30,000 + 50,000 + 15,000)] \times \$130,000 = \$65,000$

b. Selling Prices: U:  $\$30,000/20,000 = \$1.50$ ; V:  $\$96,000/30,000 = \$3.20$ ; W:  $\$142,000/50,000 = \$2.84$ ;

Net realizable values: U:  $(20,000 + 15,000) \times \$1.50 = \$52,500$ ; V:  $\$96,000$ ; W:  $(50,000 + 15,000) \times \$2.84 = \$184,600$ ; Total NRV = \$333,100

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Topic Area: Joint Cost Allocation Methods