

CLASS 7

FORMULATION AND SOLUTION OF ECONOMIC ORDER QUANTITY (EOQ) MODEL

List of symbols used:

We shall use the following symbols for the development of EOQ inventory:

Symbol	Meaning
D	Annual demand (units/year)
Q	Order quantity (units)
C_o	Ordering cost per order
C_h	Holding cost per unit per year

(1) Number of orders per year $= \frac{D}{Q}$

(2) Average inventory $= \frac{Q}{2}$

(3) Ordering Cost (OC)

= Total annual cost of storing inventory

= Number of orders per year \times Cost per order

$$= \frac{D}{Q} \times C_o$$

(4) Holding Cost (HC)

= Total annual cost of placing order

= Average inventory \times Holding cost per unit per year

$$= \frac{Q}{2} \times C_h$$

5. Total Inventory Cost (TC)

$$\begin{aligned} &= \text{Ordering Cost (OC)} + \text{Holding Cost (HC)} \\ &= \left(\frac{D}{Q} \times C_o\right) + \left(\frac{Q}{2} \times C_h\right) \end{aligned}$$

Our objective is to find Q such that the Total Inventory Cost (TC) is minimum.

We have, Total Inventory Cost= TC = $\left(\frac{D}{Q} \times C_o\right) + \left(\frac{Q}{2} \times C_h\right)$ (*)

Now by differentiate the above equation with respect to Q, we get:

$$\frac{d(TC)}{dQ} = -\frac{D \times C_o}{Q^2} + \frac{C_h}{2}$$

Now to get the minimum cost, we equate the above derivative to zero as follows:

$$\frac{d(TC)}{dQ} = -\frac{D \times C_o}{Q^2} + \frac{C_h}{2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{D \times C_o}{Q^2} + \frac{C_h}{2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{C_h}{2} = \frac{D \times C_o}{Q^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow Q^2 = \frac{2 \times D \times C_o}{C_h}$$

$$\Rightarrow Q = \sqrt{\frac{2 \times D \times C_o}{C_h}} \text{ (as Q can not be negative)}$$

This Q $\left(= \sqrt{\frac{2 \times D \times C_o}{C_h}} \right)$ is the Economic Order Quantity (EOQ).

Thus EOQ = $\sqrt{\frac{2 \times D \times C_o}{C_h}}$

Let TC_{mim} denote the minimum total inventory cost. Then TC_{mim} can be obtained by substituting Q by **EOQ** in equation (*) as follows:

$$TC = \left(\frac{D}{Q} \times C_o\right) + \left(\frac{Q}{2} \times C_h\right)$$

$$\text{So, } TC_{\text{mim}} = \left(\frac{D}{\text{EOQ}} \times C_o\right) + \left(\frac{\text{EOQ}}{2} \times C_h\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow TC_{\text{mim}} = \left(\frac{D}{\sqrt{\frac{2 \times D \times C_o}{C_h}}} \times C_o \right) + \left(\frac{\sqrt{\frac{2 \times D \times C_o}{C_h}}}{2} \times C_h \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow TC_{\text{mim}} = \sqrt{\frac{D \times C_o \times C_h}{2}} + \sqrt{\frac{D \times C_o \times C_h}{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow TC_{\text{mim}} = 2 \times \sqrt{\frac{D \times C_o \times C_h}{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow TC_{\text{mim}} = \sqrt{2 \times D \times C_o \times C_h}$$

Thus, the minimum total inventory cost = $TC_{\text{mim}} = \sqrt{2 \times D \times C_o \times C_h}$

Let N denote the number of orders per year under EOQ model.

$$\text{Then, } N = \frac{\text{Total annual demand}}{\text{Optimal order size}} = \frac{D}{\text{EOQ}} = \frac{D}{\sqrt{\frac{2 \times D \times C_o}{C_h}}}$$

Thus, N = Number of orders per year under EOQ model = $\frac{D}{\text{EOQ}} = \sqrt{\frac{D \times C_h}{2 \times C_o}}$

Let T denote the time between orders under EOQ model.

$$\text{Then, } T = \frac{\text{EOQ}}{D} = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{2 \times D \times C_o}{C_h}}}{D} = \sqrt{\frac{2 \times C_o}{D \times C_h}}$$

Thus, T = Time between orders under EOQ model = $\frac{\text{EOQ}}{D} = \sqrt{\frac{2 \times C_o}{D \times C_h}}$

Thus, under EOQ model, we have:

Symbol	Meaning	Formula
D	Annual demand (units/year)	-
C_o	Ordering cost per order	-
C_h	Holding cost per unit per year	-
EOQ	Economic Order Quantity	$EOQ = \sqrt{\frac{2 \times D \times C_o}{C_h}}$
N	Number of orders per year under EOQ model	$N = \frac{D}{EOQ} = \sqrt{\frac{D \times C_h}{2 \times C_o}}$
T	Time between orders under EOQ model	$T = \frac{EOQ}{D} = \sqrt{\frac{2 \times C_o}{D \times C_h}}$
OC	Ordering Cost under EOQ model	$OC = \frac{D}{EOQ} \times C_o$
HC	Holding (Carrying) Cost under EOQ model	$HC = \frac{EOQ}{2} \times C_h$
TC or TC_{mim}	Total Inventory Cost under EOQ model Or Minimum Total Inventory Cost	$\begin{aligned} TC &= TC_{mim} = (OC + HC) \\ &= \left(\frac{D}{EOQ} \times C_o + \frac{EOQ}{2} \times C_h \right) \\ &= \sqrt{2 \times D \times C_o \times C_h} \end{aligned}$