Module 9: Exercise 1 on MTBF/MTTR

Scenario:

A company has three components in a system and requires all three to be operational for 24 hours, Monday to Friday. Failure of component 1 occurs as follows:

- Monday = No failure.
- Tuesday = 5 a.m. to 7 a.m.
- Wednesday = No failure.
- Thursday = 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- Friday = 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Task:

Calculate the MTBF and MTTR of component 1.

Solution:

• MTBF is calculated as: Total uptime/Number of failures

Total downtime = 2 hours on Tuesday + 4 hours on Thursday + 3 hours on Friday = 9hours

Total uptime = (5*24) - 9 = 111 hours

So, MTBF = 111 / 3

= 37 hours

• MTTR is calculated as: Total downtime/Number of failures Total downtime = 2 hours on Tuesday + 4 hours on Thursday + 3 hours on Friday

So, MTTR = (9 hours/3)

= 3 hours

