

CE1.4-R4 : PROJECT MANAGEMENT

NOTE :

1. Answer question 1 and any FOUR questions from 2 to 7.
2. Parts of the same question should be answered together and in the same sequence.

Time : 3 Hours

Total Marks : 100

1.
 - (a) What are the different techniques to estimate size of program ?
 - (b) Discuss similarities and differences between software configuration management during software development and software maintenance.
 - (c) What are the disadvantages of using Lines of Code (LOC) as a unit of software measurement ?
 - (d) List the risks in Project Management. "Is testing a risk for the project management" ? Justify.
 - (e) What is Acceptance Testing ? At what stage of project development is Acceptance Testing done ? Justify.
 - (f) List the goals of Project Management.
 - (g) What are the main parameters that are used while computing the costs of a software development project ? (7x4)
2.
 - (a) What is risk exposure ? What techniques can be used to control each risk ?
 - (b) Explain the significance of software reliability. How is software reliability ensured with project management perspective ?
 - (c) What are the different CMM levels ? What does CMM level specifies ? With what attributes can a company achieve top CMM level ? (4+6+8)
3.
 - (a) Explain all the levels of COCOMO Model.
 - (b) Determine the effort required to develop the software product and nominal development time assuming the size of an organic software product has been estimated to be 25K times of code.
 - (c) Differentiate between CMM and ISO. Is CMM and ISO compliance mandatory or a software development company need to have both ? Justify. (8+4+6)
4.
 - (a) Why should the Software Quality Assurance organization be independent of the development organization ?
 - (b) What are the attributes of a good estimate ? Discuss with example.
 - (c) Define pragmatic software metrics. What are the basic characteristics of Good Metrics ? (6+4+8)

5. (a) Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of letting people rotate between projects from different application domains as opposed to letting them become true experts in one particular application domain.
- (b) "In order to ensure the consistency on various artifacts, the major milestones concentrate on objective, operational capabilities and release issues". Explain this statement.
- (c) List and discuss the key practices that improve overall software quality. (8+6+4)
6. (a) Explain forward looking approach for cost and schedule estimating process.
- (b) How is risk resolution carried out in the iterative process ? What is its advantage ?
- (c) Compare and contrast the project evaluation and review technique (PERT) with the critical path method (CPM). (5+5+8)
7. (a) One quality requirement often stated is that the system should be 'user-friendly'. Discuss possible differences between the developer's point of view and the user's point of view in defining this notion.
- (b) How may early cost estimates influence the way in which a project is executed ?
- (c) What are the differences between software configuration management in a traditional waterfall development model and the evolutionary development model ? Explain. (5+5+8)

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