SPMM Midterm Oct 2016

Marks: 20 Time: 1.5 Hours

Multiple Choice Questions (attempt these MCQs on this sheet) (10)

- 1. In software engineering, a software process is:
 - a. A set of executable modules that run concurrently
 - b. An activity that is executed during all cycles of software development forever
 - c. A sequence of steps that converts inputs to one or more outputs
- 2. The ISO 9001 standard is best described as the
 - a. guidelines for developing quality manuals
 - b. guidelines for auditing quality systems
 - c. quality assurance requirements for measuring equipment
 - d. quality management systems requirements
- 3. Process performance is predictable at maturity level known as:
 - a. Optimized
 - b. Defined
 - c. Quantitatively Managed
 - d. Repeatable
- 4. SEPG that acts similar to CCB is:
 - a. Virtual
 - b. Working
 - c. Oversight
 - d. Deliberative
- 5. Which two of the following are change resistance sources:
 - a. Insecurity
 - b. Habitat
 - c. Fear of the known
 - d. Income
- 6. Process fidelity is the degree to which:
 - a. Engineers follow a standard process
 - b. A company follows a standard/Model
 - c. Engineers follow their personal process
 - d. Engineers follow their own defined personal process
- 7. Which of the following role is like management representative to TSP team:
 - a. Project Manager
 - b. Team lead
 - c. Peer
 - d. Coach
- 8. Which one of the following statements is true?
 - a. We must start with firm requirements
 - b. If it passes test, it's not OK
 - c. Software quality can be measured
 - d. Problems are technical

- 9. Which class of SCAMPI is used to appraise a company to certain CMMI level?
 - a. SCAMPIB
 - b. SCAMPI C
 - c. SCAMPI A
- 10. "Opponents" to change lie at which one of the following levels of stakeholder analysis matrix:
 - a. High area of agreement, Low Trust
 - b. High area of agreement, High Trust
 - c. Low area of agreement, High Trust
 - d. Low area of agreement, Low Trust

Answer following short questions: (10)

1. What is software process entropy? Give 2 reasons. (2)

Disruptive forces that often cause organizations to fall back into the chaos trap:

- a. Dynamic requirements
- b. Increasing system size
- c. Human nature. Emotions and ambitions can pose negative effects on overall organization
- 2. What is the impact of software Gurus on a software project? (1)

Gurus sometimes believe they can do no wrong. But under crisis, limits of intuitive approach are at their peak. Gurus break down!

- 3. What are the roles of SEPG? Give any 2. (2)
 - Change agents
 - Define process
 - Review process
 - Maintain process database
 - Serve as focal point for technology insertion
 - Provide key process education
 - Provide project consultation
 - Make periodic assessments and status reports
- 4. Explain Change Acceptance equation (1)

It says process implementation can be effective only if acceptance of change exists along with quality processes.

5. Which maturity level of CMMI maps "Defining a customized Personal Process" knowledge area of PSP and why? (1)

Level 3 because both of these allow customization or tailoring

- 6. Convert the following into SMART objectives: (2)
 - a. "Reduce Number of defects"
 Reduce number of functional defects by 10 % in next 3 months
 - b. "Improve Schedule Variance"

Schedule variance will be reduced by 25% by end of the quarter

7. What is gap Analysis? (1)

Difference between requirements of a standard/Model and current processes/practices