

Research Methodology for Technology

Answer the following questions silently, **on your own**.

Question 1: Which of the following is the best definition of a research methodology for technology?

- A The scientific investigation of anything designed by humans.
- B A scientific method for engineers.
- C The design and investigation of artifacts in context.
- D The design and investigation of interactions between artifacts and their context.

A B C D

Question 2: What is a difference between natural science and research within technology?

- A Natural science does not cover implementation.
- B Scientific research explores technology as if it was a natural phenomena.
- C Technology aims to change the world, natural science tries to understand it.
- D Technology is for engineers, natural science for scientists.

A B C D

Question 3: Which of the following is not an artifact as defined in the preparation?

- A An electric circuit
- B A standard for electromagnetic protection of electronic circuits
- C An electron
- D A Python program

A B C D

Question 4: What is the difference between the engineering cycle and the design cycle?

- A The design cycle extends the engineering cycle.
- B The engineering cycle also includes the actual implementation of the artifact in the real world.
- C The engineering cycle has the same steps as the design cycle, but with less scientific rigor.
- D The design cycle aims at evaluating an artifact in context.

A B C D

Question 5: What is another term for *treatment*?

- A result
- B system implementation
- C solution
- D artifact

A B C D

Question 6: What is the difference between **evaluation** and **validation**?

- A Evaluation is the design-science equivalent to what validation is in natural science.
- B Evaluation includes the implementation phase, validation does not.
- C They only differ in extend and effort spent. Evaluation is more elaborate than validation.
- D Evaluation requires that we observe the artifact in its real-world context, the validation does not.

A B C D

Question 7:

- A Knowledge questions are evaluated by the utility to the stakeholder.
- B Knowledge questions have a single answer.
- C Design problems have a single artifact as result.
- D Design problems are evaluated by truth.

A B C D