Question Bank - 1

SOFTWARE ENGINEERING KNOWLEDGE, SDLC

- 1. Define the following terms: (i) Software (ii) Software Engineering (iii) SDLC (iv) Categories of S/W applications.
- 2. Suggest four reasons why the productivity rate of programmers working as a pair might be more than half that of two programmers working individually.
- 3. Explain Measures, Metrics and Indicators in terms of Software Engineering.
- 4. Software Engineering is a layered technology. Explain.
- 5. Explain, with examples, why different application types require specialized software engineering techniques to support their design and development.
- 6. Discuss six key problems and challenges that software engineering is facing in the current century.
- 7. Compare and contrast Hardware and Software (characteristics) in terms of their properties. Also, draw the failure curve for both.
- 8. Discuss the following terms: People, Process and Product in context of Software Management.
- 9. Discuss the ways of measuring software process and product.
- 10. Discuss 4 Ps under Management Spectrum of Software Engineering.
- 11. What is the most important difference between generic software product development and custom software development? What might this mean in practice for users of generic software products?
- 12. Differentiate between Software Re-engineering and Reverse Engineering.
- 13. Explain the generic layered architecture. Also draw a client server architecture for a film library.
- 14. Write four important attributes that all professional software should have? Suggest four other attributes that may sometimes be significant.
- 15. Discuss CASE (Computer-Aided Software Engineering).
- 16. Explain the importance of Risk Analysis in SE process.
- 17. List utilization of COTS components (Commercial Off The Shelf components) in SE.
- 18. Discuss myths of customer, practitioner and management.
- 19. Why function points are preferred over line-of-codes metrics?
- 20. Compare size and function oriented metrics.
- 21. Discuss the most important factors in determining which software engineering methods and techniques are to be used for the applications that are being developed.

- 22. Discuss four software engineering fundamentals that apply to all types of software system.
- 23. Given the following values, compute function point when all complexity adjustment values (3 on scale of 5) and weighting factors are average.

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PROCESS MODELS

- 1. Giving reasons for your answer based on the type of system being developed, suggest the most appropriate generic software process model that might be used as a basis for managing the development of the following systems:
- A system to control anti-lock braking in a car
- A virtual reality system to support software maintenance
- A university accounting system that replaces an existing system
- An interactive travel planning system that helps users plan journeys with the lowest environmental impact
- 2. Explain the SDLC model which follows iterative nature of prototyping along with controlled and systematic approach of Linear Sequential model.
- 3. What are the fundamental differences between components as program elements and components as services?
- 4. Elaborate Rational Unified Process (RUP) on the basis of: **a.** Phases **b.** Workflows **c.** Benefits
- 5. Describe phases of Evolutionary Spiral Model.
- 6. Explain how the principles underlying agile methods lead to the accelerated development and deployment of software.
- 7. When would you recommend against the use of an agile method for developing a software system?
- 8. Write short notes on: a. Agile method, b. Extreme Programming
- 9. When to use and not use waterfall model.

- 10. Compare / Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of following process models: Waterfall, Prototype, Incremental, RAD, Spiral, Component Assembly model, and Agile.
- 11. Discuss good practices in RUP.
- 12. "The RUP is not a suitable process for all types of development but it does represent a new generation of generic processes." Explain.
- 13. Discuss the classification of Process Models.

REQUIREMENT ENGINEERING

- 1. Explain Requirement Engineering.
- 2. List the differences between Functional and Non-functional requirements. Give example of each in context of the railway ticket-issuing system.
- 3. Explain, with examples, system or software requirement specification (SRS).
- 4. Discuss the important components of SRS.
- 5. Discuss the following in brief: a. Functional and Non-functional requirements of Software. b. Elicitation Techniques
- 6. Discuss four types of Requirement Elicitation Techniques. Give example of each.
- 7. "The system shall ensure that data is protected from unauthorized access". Justify it as non-functional requirement.
- 8. Give example of non-functional requirements in ticket-generation system.
- 9. Explain the Requirement Engineering phases (analysis and specification etc.)
- 10. Discuss the importance of Requirement analysis and specification.
- 11. Distinguish between Functional and Non-functional requirements.
- 12. Discuss the role of business analyst.
- 13. List and discuss various software requirement elicitation techniques.
- 14. Discuss the "requirement analysis and specification" and validation.
- 15. Demonstrate the Requirement analysis phase with use-case modelling.

SOFTWARE MODELLING

- 1. Write briefly about role and objective of Analysis Modelling in Object Oriented Software Development. Also, list various Diagram types in UML.
- 2. Differentiate between structural and behavioural UML diagrams. Also, present at least three examples of each diagram types.
- 3. Draw the following diagrams: (make reasonable assumptions about the functionality that is required here.)
- a. Use case diagram involving the role of 'medical receptionist'.
- b. Sequence diagram for View User (Patient) information
- 4. Draw a Use-Case diagram of Document Management System (DMS) by considering the following points:
- a. Users: Site user and Web-master.
- b. use both include and extend directive.
- 5. Draw the following diagrams: (make reasonable assumptions about the functionality that is required here.)
- i. Use case diagram for 'ATM machine'.
- ii. Sequence diagram for Ordering a Pizza through web-application.
- 6. Draw the Use-Case diagrams for web based Document Management System (DMS).
- 7. Based on your knowledge of how an OTT platform is used, develop a set of usecases that could serve as a basis for understanding the requirements for an OTT platform.
- 8. Explain Data Modeling.
- 9. Draw Level 1 Data Flow Diagram (DFD) for cab booking mobile application.
- 10. Draw Level 1 Data Flow Diagram (DFD) for Food ordering mobile application.
- 11. Draw Level 1 Data Flow Diagram (DFD) for Railway Company's Customer Service (CS) System. Make suitable assumptions of functionalities performed by CS system.
- 12. Draw Level 1 Data Flow Diagram (DFD) for Booking a Hotel Room. Make suitable assumptions of functionalities.
- 13. Draw Level 1 Data Flow Diagram (DFD) for Movie Rental system. Make suitable assumptions of functionalities.
- 14. Draw the Zero-level and One-level Data Flow Diagram (DFD) for Movie / Video Subscription on Website (Online Application).
- 15. Explain Behavioural Modeling.

- 16. Develop a sequence diagram showing the interactions involved when a student registers for a course in a university. Also, courses have limited enrolment available.
- 17. Discuss the elements of Analysis Model. (*Hint*: Scenario, Data, Behavioural, Class)
- 18. Explain Dynamic Modeling.

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