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Rubrics for Evaluation:

Sr. No.	Performance Indicator	Excellent	Good	Below Average	Total Score
1	On time Completion & Submission (01)	01 (On Time)	NA	00 (Not On Time)	
2	Theory Understanding (02)	02 (Correct)	NA	01 (Tried)	
3	Content Quality (03)	01 (All used)	02 (Partial)	03 (Rarely allowed)	
4	Post Lab Questions (04)	04 (Done Well)	03 (Partially Correct)	02 (Submitted)	

Signature of the Teacher:

SE EXP 4: Calculating function points of the Project

Information			W	eighting fac	tor		
Domain Value	Count		Simple	Average	Complex		
External Inputs (Els)	3	\times	3	4	6	=	9
External Outputs (EOs)	3	\times	4	5	7	=	12
External Inquiries (EQs)	3	\times	3	4	6	=	9
Internal Logical Files (ILFs)	2	\times	7	10	15	=	14
External Interface Files (EIFs)	2	\times	5	7	10	=	14
Count total						• [58

Example:

Scale = 3
User Input = 50
User Output = 40
User Inquiries = 35
User Files = 6
External Interface = 4

Step 1:

As complexity adjustment factor = average

F = 14 * Scale

F = 14 * 3

F = 42

Step 2:

CAF (Component Assessment Factor) = 0.65 + (0.01 * F)

CAF (Component Assessment Factor) = 0.65 + (0.01 * 42)

CAF (Component Assessment Factor) = 1.07

Step 3:

As weighing factor are average

Function Unit	Low	Average	High
El	3	4	6
EO	4	5	2

EQ	3	4	6
ILF	7	10	15
EIF	5	7	10

Total Count = [50 * 4] + [40 * 5] + [35 * 4] + [6 * 10] + [4 * 7] = 628

Step 4:

FP = 628 * (0.65 + (0.01 * 42)) = 671.96

The Function Point is 671.96

For Period Management System

Scale = 2

User Input = 18

User Output = 3

User Inquiries = 3

User Files = 2

External Interface = 10

Step 1:

As complexity adjustment factor = average

F = 14 * Scale

F = 14 * 2

F = 28

Step 2:

CAF (Component Assessment Factor) = 0.65 + (0.01 * F)

CAF (Component Assessment Factor) = 0.65 + (0.01 * 28)

CAF (Component Assessment Factor) = 0.93

Step 3:

As weighing factor are average

Function Unit	Low	Average	High
El	3	4	6
EO	4	5	2
EQ	3	4	6
ILF	7	10	15
EIF	5	7	10

Total Count = [18 * 3] + [3 * 4] + [3 * 3] + [2 * 7] + [10 * 5] = 139

Step 4:

FP = 139 * (0.65 + (0.01 * 28)) = 129.27

The Function Point for an period management app is 129.27

POSTLABS:

a) Critically evaluate the Function Point Analysis method as a technique for software sizing and estimation, discussing its strengths and weaknesses.

Strengths:

- 1. **Functionality-Centric:** Focuses on quantifying the functionality delivered by software.
- 2. **Technology-Independent:** Applicable to software developed in various technologies.
- 3. **Objective Measurement:** Provides an objective and standardized way to measure software size.
- 4. Considers User Experience: Includes both user input and output functionalities.
- 5. **Supports Benchmarking:** Allows organizations to build historical benchmarks for better estimation.
- 6. **Useful for Contract Negotiations:** Aids in defining project scope and cost in contract negotiations.
- 7. **Quality Control:** Encourages the delivery of high-quality software.

Weaknesses:

- 1. **Complexity:** Can be complex and time-consuming, especially for large systems.
- 2. **Expertise Required:** Requires skilled and certified professionals, which can be costly.
- 3. **Subjectivity in Complexity Weights:** Assigning complexity weights can be somewhat subjective.
- 4. **Difficulty in Early Stages:** Challenging to apply without detailed requirements.
- 5. **Doesn't Consider Non-Functional Requirements:** Primarily focuses on functional requirements.
- 6. **Dependent on User Expertise:** Heavily relies on user input and domain knowledge.
- 7. **May Overlook Modern Development Practices:** May not fully accommodate agile methodologies and frequent changes.
- b) Apply the Function Point Analysis technique to a given software project and determine the function points based on complexity and functionalities.
 - 1. External Inputs (EI):
 - User Registration (Low Complexity)
 - Upload Image for Analysis (Medium Complexity)
 - View Disease Analysis Result (Low Complexity)
 - 2. External Outputs (EO):
 - Display Disease Information (Low Complexity)
 - Generate Disease Report (Medium Complexity)
 - 3. External Inquiries (EQ):
 - Search for Disease Information (Low Complexity)

4. Internal Logical Files (ILF):

- User Profile Data (Low Complexity)
- Disease Database (Medium Complexity)

5. External Interface Files (EIF):

Image Upload (Medium Complexity)

Complexity Weighting:

Low Complexity: 3 Function Points (FPs)

• Medium Complexity: 4 FPs

Function Points Calculation:

• EI: 10 FPs (2 Low + 1 Medium)

• EO: 10 FPs (2 Low + 1 Medium)

• EQ: 3 FPs (1 Low)

• ILF: 7 FPs (1 Low + 1 Medium)

• EIF: 4 FPs (1 Medium)

Total Function Points: 34 Function Points

c) Propose strategies to manage and mitigate uncertainties in function point estimation and how they can impact project planning and resource allocation.

Strategies for Managing Uncertainties in FPE:

- 1. **Iterative Estimation:** Refine estimates as the project progresses and more information becomes available.
- 2. **Use Historical Data:** Reference past project data and benchmarks for estimation.
- 3. **Expert Input:** Involve experienced FPE professionals for accurate assessments.
- 4. **Sensitivity Analysis:** Vary input parameters to understand the range of possible estimates.
- 5. **Scenario Planning:** Create multiple estimation scenarios for risk assessment and planning.
- 6. **Buffering:** Add contingency buffers to estimates to account for uncertainties.
- 7. **Risk Identification:** Identify and categorize potential risks associated with uncertainties.

Impact on Project Planning and Resource Allocation:

- 1. **Project Schedule:** Uncertainties can lead to variations in project duration, requiring flexible schedules.
- 2. **Resource Allocation:** Accuracy of resource allocation is impacted, requiring efficient resource management.
- 3. **Budget Management:** Budget deviations may occur, necessitating financial oversight.
- 4. **Scope Management:** Changes in project scope due to uncertainties affect resource allocation.
- 5. **Risk Management:** Uncertainties are tied to project risks, requiring proactive risk management.

- 6. **Stakeholder Expectations:** Communication with stakeholders is crucial for setting realistic expectations.
- 7. **Resource Flexibility:** Be prepared to reallocate resources to address changing project dynamics.
- 8. **Continuous Monitoring:** Regularly update FPE throughout the project lifecycle.
- 9. **Documentation:** Document estimation assumptions, uncertainties, and rationale.
- 10. **Lessons Learned:** Conduct post-project reviews to improve future FPE and project outcomes.