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Software Project

Management

Lab (2)

Topics to be covered:

Work breakdown structure

• Example

Product breakdown structure

• Example



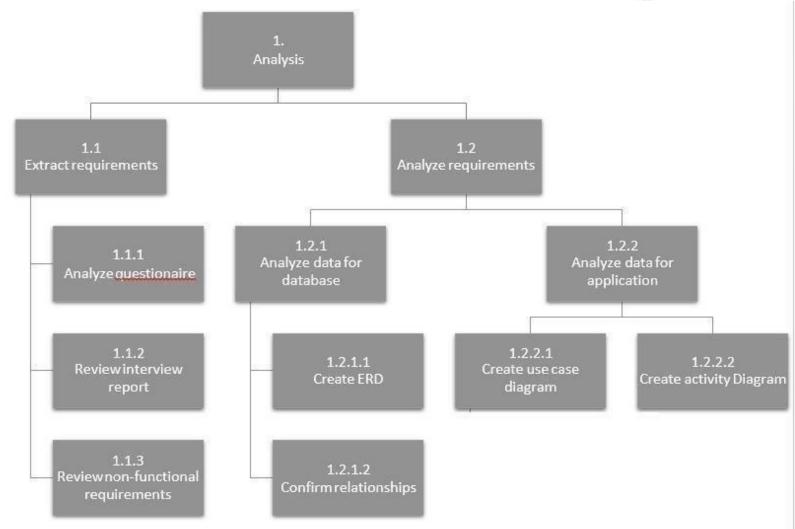
Lab (2) Breakdown Structures

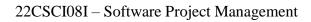
A. Work breakdown structure:

| Acronym used is WBS |
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| Divide the project based on the activities / phases that are to be completed |
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| The initial node is always the project name |
| The second level of the breakdown usually represents the division of phases |
| The third level involves / includes the tasks to be done for each phase |
| There may be further levels of detail, depending on whether the tasks are furtherdivided into sub-tasks or not |

The following is a WBS for the analysis phase. This is just a sample not the whole phase.







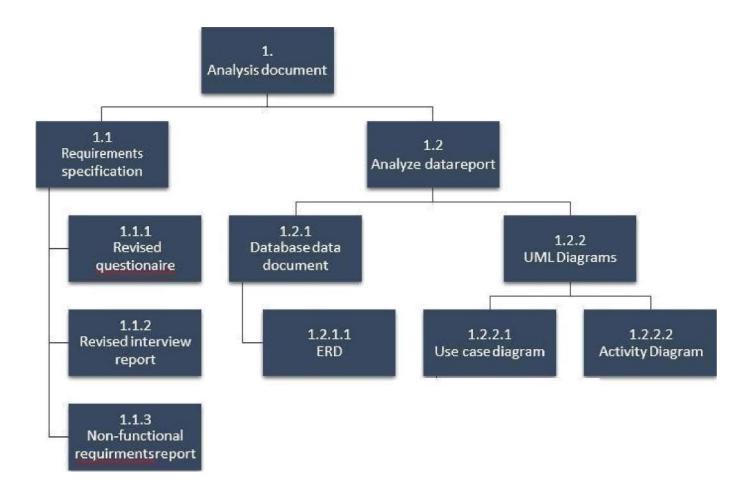


B. Product Breakdown structure:

| Acronym PBS |
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| Breakdown is product-based such that it is based on the actual deliverables ratherthat the tasks / activities to be performed |
| The initial node is always the final product |
| The second level usually represents the different types of deliverables |
| The third level involves the detailed deliverables for each major deliverable |

Example:

Based on the scenario that was used for creating the WBS, we will create a PBS for the analysis phase. In this case the PBS would show the deliverables that essentially represent, or rather are contained within, the analysis document.



Summary:

| WBS | PBS |
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| Verbs | Nouns |
| Work needed to deliver a product | Product to be delivered |
| Tells how to get there | Tells where to go |
| Ex: To-do list to accomplish shopping list | Shopping List |
| Represent processes, activities or tasks | Represent deliverables or products |