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1. Key Concepts Learned

For this week, I revised all the previous concepts for the midterm exam. There were few concepts such as Critical Chain Method and different types of charts like Pareto charts, Cause & Effect charts (Ishikawa diagram) that I discovered and understood in detail from the book. I also went through the various concepts like Risk Reduction Leverage calculations and effort in man months to prepare for the midterm exam.

2. Peer Interactions:

My team and I spent some time brainstorming different ideas to draft a good project pitch. We explored and discussed various ideas shared by the TA and created a pitch that would be good to sell our project idea. We also discussed and helped each other to understand and simplify some of the concepts related to our project that weren't clear.

4. Challenges Faced:

Preparing for the pitch has been a challenging experience as compared to other tasks. As a software developer, creating a selling pitch is something that I haven't done before and hence it was very interesting to think in terms of gathering funding and creating a pitch that would be engaging, informative and worth the time of the investors.

5. Personal development activities:

I did spend some time this week, to go over the various configuration management tools used in my organization. I went over the version control tools in bitbucket and Jenkins for collaborative development across teams. I also went over through of the documentation tools like Jive and Jira used for auditing and creating a knowledge base. It was very insightful to be able to correlate the need of the tools and how they were incorporated in a real-world project.

6. Goals for the Next Week:

For the coming week, I would like to go over the next chapters from the PowerPoint and the book to fill-in any gaps in my knowledge while working on the next phases of our team project.