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1. What factors have contributed to the making of the present software crisis? Suggest the possible solutions to the present software crisis? [3+3]
2. Why it is so difficult to gain a clear understanding of what the customer wants? Describe the guidelines for the requirement elicitation process with suitable examples. [3+4]
3. Suppose a travel and tour agency needs a software for automating its book keeping activities. The set of activities to be automated are rather simple and are at present being carried out manually. The travel agency had indicated that it is unsure about the type of user interface which would be suitable for its employees and its customers. Would it be proper for a development team to use the spiral model for developing this software? Justify. [6]
4. A company needs to develop a time Management system (TMS) for its executives. The software should let the executives register their daily appointment schedules. The information to be stored includes person (s) with whom meeting is arranged, venue, the time and duration of the meeting, and the purpose. When a meeting involving many executives needs to be organised, the system should automatically find a common slot in the diaries of the concerned executives, and arrange a meeting at that time. It should also inform the concerned executives about the scheduled meeting through e-mail. If no common slot is available, TMS should help the secretary to rearrange the appointments of the executives in consultation with the concerned executives for making room for a common slot. To help the executives check their schedules for a particular day the system should have a very easy-to-use graphical interface. Since the executives and the secretaries have their own desktop computers, the time management software should be able to serve several remote requests simultaneously. Many of the executives are relative novices in computer usage. Everyday morning the time management software should e-mail every executive his appointments for the day. Besides registering their appointments and meetings, the executives might mark periods for which they plan to be on leave. Also, executives might plan out the important jobs they need to do on any day at different hours and post it in their daily list of engagements. Other features to be supported by the TMS are the following—TMS should be able to provide several types of statistics such as which executive spent how much time on meetings. For which project how many meetings were organised for what duration and how many man-hours were devoted to it. Also, it should be able to display for any given period of time the fraction of time that on the average each executive spent on meetings.
 - a) List out all functional and non-functional requirements of the Time Management System. [6]
 - b) Draw a labelled DFD for the following Time Management Software (TMS). Clearly show the context diagram and its hierarchical decompositions up to level 2. [6]

5. Why is it necessary to design the system architecture before specifications are written? Explain the different methods of modular decompositions with suitable examples. [3+4]
6. What are the major technical and non-technical factors that hinder software reuse? Do you suggest to reuse much software and, if not, why not? [4+3]
7. Develop a complete test strategy for the Time Management System (Q.N.4). Document it in a Test Specification. [4+4]
8. What are the importance of quality management in Software Development? Explain about staged CMMI Model. [3+4]
9. What is COCOMO? Calculate COCOMO effort, development time in calendar month, average staffing and productivity for the software construction process of Q.N.4. State your assumptions if necessary. [2+6]
10. Write short notes on: [4×3]
 - a) Real Time Operating System Vs. Non-real Time Operating System
 - b) Verification Vs. Validation
 - c) CBSE Process
 - d) Formal Technical Review

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1. a) "Walking on water and developing software from specification are easy if both are frozen". Justify this statement. [5]
- b) Assume that you are the technical manager of software development organization. A client approached for a software solution. The problem stated by client have uncertainties which lead to loss if not planned and solved. Which model do you suggest for his project? Justify. Explain that model with its pros and cons. [5]
2. a) What is requirement engineering? Explain its steps. [4]
- b) For better healthcare facilities in remote areas, Ministry of Health (MOH) launches Telemedicine project. Through this project expert doctor from central hospital can examine patient in remote places through video conferencing. MOH propose to maintain central server to hold all patient records and medical history. Also system should able to manage routine of doctors, appointments and follow ups. Assume that you are technical lead of this project, answer the following questions.
 - (i) list out all functional and non-functional requirement of the systems [6]
 - (ii) Make project Feasibility Report [6]
3. A customer presents a cheque to a clerk. The clerk checks a database containing all account numbers and make sure whether the account number in the cheque is valid, whether adequate balance is there in the account to pay the cheque and whether the signature is authentic. Having done these the clerk gives the customer a token. The clerk also debits the customer account by an amount specified on the cheque. If the cash cannot be paid due to an error on the cheque, the cheque is returned. The token number is returned on the top of the cheque and it is passed on to the cashier. The cashier calls out the token number and the customer go to cash counter with the token. The cashier checks the token number, takes customer signature, pays cash, enter cash paid in a database called daybook and files the cheque. [8]
- Prepare physical and logical DFD. [8]
4. What are software quality measures? Explain in details about staged CMMI model. [2+6]
5. a) Discuss the differences between verification and validation. [4]
- b) Compare and Contrast [4]
 - (i) Unit testing and Integration testing
 - (ii) Alpha testing and beta testing

6. a) An application has following: 10 low external inputs, 8 high external outputs, 13 logical files, 17 interface files, 11 average external inquires and complexity adjustment factor of 1.10. What are the unadjusted and adjusted function point counts? [5]
- b) Explain component-based software engineering (CBSE) process. [5]
7. What is COCOMO? Using standard method, estimate cost of software construction process of Q.N.3. State your assumption clearly before calculating the cost estimate. [8]
8. Write short notes on followings: [3×4]
- a) Distributed Object architecture
 - b) Modular decomposition
 - c) Hard and soft real time system
 - d) Formal Technical Review and Inspection for QC

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1. Mahanpur Nagarpalika is planning to develop new system for Tourists with all the details of their monumental structures, tourist attraction places and also cultural programs offering restaurants within the municipality. They have also plan to integrate entry tickets booking and purchasing through web as well as through app similar as the online movie ticket purchasing. Imagine you are one of the software engineer working on the project. With clear statement of your assumptions on the system environment and specifications about the system, prepare the followings:
 - i) The list of system quality attributes including both functional and non-functional requirement of the systems. [6]
 - ii) Complete data models with illustrative model diagram. [6]
2. a) Explain how software cost estimation is done using function point oriented and object point oriented methods. [5]
- b) What is software crisis? Explain with the help of example? [5]
3. Why architecture is important to drive software development? Explain 2 tier and 3 tier architecture with example. [3+3]
4. Explain CMMI model to evaluate the maturity of a software development. [8]
5. a) What are the benefits and problem of software reuse? What factors need to be taken care of while software reuse planning? [5]
- b) What are software quality measures? Why SQA is important? Explain. [5]
6. a) What is software verification? Clarify its role in ensuring the correctness of software implementation. [5]
- b) Compare and contrast the Black Box and White box testing in V and V process. [5]
7. Write short notes on: [3×4]
 - i) Requirement elicitation and analysis
 - ii) COCOMO and the variants
 - iii) Modular decomposition styles
 - iv) Pattern generator
8. Compare the following: [4×3]
 - i) Client-server versus distributed object architecture
 - ii) User requirements versus system requirements
 - iii) Change management versus version management
 - iv) Process model versus data model

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1. What is software crisis and what is its reason? Describe evolutionary model, in brief, explaining how it reduces crisis problem. [8]

2. In a particular school, there are various departments. There are various instructors and are having direct employment from corresponding departments. Students are admitted to school and later they choose their subject study program offered through various departments. The instructors are assigned for particular subject teaching task. Each department has a HOD to coordinate to overall activities, including class and lab scheduling processes. Students have to seat in for semester end exams as a final evaluation process. Assessment with 'NQ' status students are NOT allowed for final exam. At least after 8 semesters of such final evaluations, students with clearance form department, including HOD approval, students become ready for graduation".
 Now, answer the followings. [5+5+5]
 - i) Prepare the list of processes and agents
 - ii) Draw the DFD for graduation and associated processes
 - iii) Depict the relationship between instructor, HOD and Department

3. Differentiate between thin client model and thick client model. Describe multiprocessor architecture for software. [3+5]

4. a) Explain the role of real-time operating system.
 b) Justify the statement "Advantages of reuse are lower costs, faster software development and lower risks." [4]

5. Compare and contrast: (a) alpha and beta testing (b) black box and white box testing (c) unit and integration testing. [8]

6. Give a suitable definition of software quality and briefly describe the rationale for your definition. Explain with quality attributes for software. [2+3+3]

7. What is the difference between version and release? Explain why we need Software Configuration Management (SCM). [2+4]

8. "Validation examines the dynamic behavior of software system". Explain this with an example. [5]

9. Write short notes on: [4×3]
 - i) COCOMO
 - ii) Component based software engineering
 - iii) Non-functional requirements

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1. What do you mean by prototype? What are the risks if the prototyping becomes uncontrolled? Explain RAD in brief. [1+3+3]
2. Briefly discuss all the activities to be carried out in problem definition and feasibility analysis. [6]
3. Draw TWO DFD diagrams for simple e-commerce site based order processing system. Assume all necessary and required specifications on your own and state them clearly first. [2+4+4]
4. Explain how is real time OS and software different from non-real time OS and software? [6]
5. In theory, formal verification could be automated if the original specification is stated completely and precisely. Why is this hard to achieve in practice? Explain. [8]
6. The CMM rates software companies according to how well they identify and manage their software processes onto the 5 different levels. Explain any three out of these five levels. What advantages are there for a company to move up to the top level? [8]
7. Lines of code (LOC) and function point counts (FPC) are two measures of the size of a system. Explain advantages and disadvantages of using these two metrics for measuring systems. [3+3]
8. Mention the situations in which the software reuse is recommended. What do you mean by design pattern? [4+2]
9. What are the reasons behind the modern tendency toward the use of Component based Software Engineering? [5]
10. What are the main objectives of configuration management and version control? What is code line and baseline inversion management? [3+3]
11. Compare the followings: [3×4]
 - i) Black-hole vs. miracle in DFD
 - ii) Consistency vs. completeness in requirements engineering
 - iii) Traceability vs. Adaptability in reviewing steps
 - iv) Alpha vs. Beta testing

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1. What are typical software characteristics? What do you mean by software crisis? Elaborate. [4+4]
2. What are the reasons for software runways? Explain how both the waterfall model of the software process and prototyping model can be accommodated in the spiral process model. [2+6]
3. What is a behavior model? How does it differentiate from data model of the same system? Explain with examples and model. [3+3+2]
4. How many levels are there in CMM? Explain in detail about all the levels. [2+5]
5. Why software quality standards are needed? What are the metrics for software project size estimation? Discuss cyclomatic complexity with suitable example. [2+3+3]
6. Compare and contrast Verification with Validation. What do you mean by critical systems? How does partitioning augment in V and V process? Explain with example. [4+2+2+2]
7. "Survival of the fittest" is valid to software industry in today's competitive market. Explain the statement in the context of issues modern software configuration management must address nowadays. [8]
8. Differentiate between functional testing and structural testing. A web-enabled system with a robust back-end database estimated to be of about 200 KLOC when complete. Assuming the system will work in semidetached mode; calculate the effort required per month, the development time, average number of staff required and the productivity rate. Consider COCOMO-2 for reference. [5+3]
9. Compare the following: [3×5]
 - i) Client server vs Distributed object architecture
 - ii) Real time vs Non-real time operating system
 - iii) Walk through vs Inspection in testing process

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1. Why it is so difficult to gain a clear understanding of what the customer wants? What are the guidelines for the requirement elicitation process? [4+4]
2. Explain details about current model of software process. Explain why the waterfall model of the software process is not an accurate reflection of software development activities. [4+4]
3. Read the case mentioned hereunder carefully and: [5+3]
 - a) Make DFD level 1 for the system
 - b) What do you mean by DFD balancing in the given case?
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4. Explain why it may be necessary to design the system architecture before specifications are written. Explain client-server architecture with appropriate example. [4+5]
5. How do real-time software and operating system differ from non-real time software and operating system? Describe Data Acquisition System. [4+4]
6. What are the benefits of CBSE? How closely code generation feature of case tools are associated with CBSE? Explain. [3+5]
7. How does the SEI CMM ensure quality aspects of any complex software under development? What are the differences between ISO and CMM? [4+3]
8. What is COCOMO? Calculate COCOMO effort, development time in calendar month, average staffing and productivity for project of application program that is estimated to be 49,200 lines of code. [3+5]
9. Establish the chronology among component, release unit and integration testing. Also write distinctive notes on their testing. [3+4]
10. Write short notes on: [3×3]
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1. Explain why the waterfall model of software development is not an accurate reflection of software development activities. Explain better alternative model. [10]
2. Give your view on requirement engineering and requirement specification. [10]
3. What is behavior modeling in systems analysis process? Illustrate with a sample model diagram of any web-based transaction portal system. [5]
4. Explain the versioning process in the context of configuration management with all the associated components. [5]
5. How the modular decomposition concept is practiced in system design processes? Illustrate with your own example of a second level DFD. [4+6]
6. What specific considerations are to be made while designing typical software to be operated in real-time environment? Explain. [5]
7. Prepare a brief notes on design pattern with statement of their benefits. [5]
8. What is verification planning? Why such planning is required? What are the different steps involved in it? Explain. [8]
9. What is exception and error testing in the context of system implementation? [5]
10. What is COCOMO? Illustrate the calculation with an appropriate example. [5]
11. Write Short notes on: (any three) [4×3]
 - a) Software testing metrics
 - b) CMM level
 - c) Statistical quality assurance
 - d) CBSE

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2. Describe Spiral model for software development. What are its advantages and disadvantages? [5]
3. A restaurant uses an information system that takes customer orders, sends the order to the kitchen, monitors the goods sold and inventory and generates reports for management. List functional and non-functional requirements for this Restaurant Information System. [5]
4. Explain requirement management process with necessary illustration. [5]
5. Why system modeling is important? Mention the weakness of structured analysis method? [2+3]
6. What is an architectural design? Why it is important in software engineering? Explain multiprocessor architecture with example. [2+3+5]
7. Define a real-time system. Explain the real-time operating system and its components? [1+4]
8. What are the benefits and problems of software reuse? What factors need to be taken care of for software reuse planning? [5]
9. Explain why program inspection are an effective technique for discovering errors in a program? What types of error are unlikely to be discovered through inspections? [5+5]
10. Consider a program for the determination of the nature of roots of a quadratic equation. Its input is a triple of positive integers (say a, b, c) and values may be from interval [0, 100]. The program output may have one of the following words. [Not a quadratic equation; Real roots, Imaginary roots, Equal roots]. Design test cases to test this program. [5]
11. How do you conduct formal technical review? Explain Garvin's quality dimensions. [6+4]
12. Write short notes on: (any four): [2.5×4]
 - a) Change Management
 - b) Version and Release Management
 - c) COCOMO
 - d) Component based Software Engineering
 - e) Feasibility Study

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1. What are the advantages and limitations of water fall process model? List out various models of software development. Explain the limitations of water fall model in detail. [10]
2. Explain software requirement specification (SRS). What are the characteristics of a good software requirement specification document? [10]
3. What is Software Quality Assurance (SQA)? What steps are required to perform Statistical SQA? [10]
4. What problems may be encountered when top down integration is chosen? What is regression testing? [10]
5. What are the main objectives of Formal Technical Reviews (FTR)? What is clean room software engineering? [10]
6. What are the types of software maintenance? Give some design principles for maintainability. [10]
7. Write notes on: [5×4]
 - a) Software Safety
 - b) Cohesion and Coupling
 - c) Capability Maturity Module
 - d) Software Reengineering

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2. Explain the importance of requirement engineering. List out requirement elicitation techniques. What are the problems in formation of requirements? [12]
3. What are the characteristics of Object Oriented Programming? What are the main advantage of OOP? [10]
4. Explain how CMM encourages continuous improvement of software process. Describe various key process areas of CMM at various maturity levels. [12]
5. Explain Computer Aided Software Engineering (CASE), CASE environment and CASE tools? [11]
6. Why does software project fail after it has passed through acceptance testing? Explain integration testing. [8]
7. Define the following in the context of software engineering. [4×4]
 - a) Symbolic execution
 - b) Software errors and their import on cost
 - c) Software reliability models
 - d) Regression testing
