

FACULTY OF INFORMATICS

B. E. 3/4 (I.T.) II-Semester (Old) Examination, December 2009/*Jan., 2010*

Subject : **Software Engineering**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 75

Note: Answer all questions of Part-A and any Five questions from Part-B.

Part – A (10 x 2.5 = 25 Marks)

1. Define the following terms :
a) Engineer b) Engineering c) Software engineering
2. How would you describe your approach to software development & why (eg. Architect, Scientist, Artist, Commando, Fire fighter, Carpenter)?
3. Explain briefly using ~~acid~~ ^{acid} examples, as to why is it appropriate to consider Software Engineering an Engineering discipline.
4. Differentiate the following :
a) Size & function – oriented estimation
b) Forward & Reverse Engineering
5. Explain the input/output approach to design.
6. What are petrinets? Explain their application.
7. List & explain three characteristics of software.
8. Differentiate the following:
a) Alpha & beta testing
b) Top-down & bottom-up interration testing
9. List any three recurring problems in software development. Suggest solutions to these problems.
10. Explain the three characterstics of software.

Part – B (50 Marks)

- 11.a) Explain the technical tasks performed by a system engineer/system analyst. 6
b) What is trade-off matrix? Give an example. 4
- 12.a) What is software requirement specification (SRS)? Discuss the outline of IFFF Ltd. 830-1998 (SRS). 7
b) What is Data dictionary? 3
13. What is software engineering paradigm? Explain the concept of spiral model with the help of a neat sketch. Give atleast three advantages & limitations of the model. 10

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| 14.a) | Discuss the generic design steps. | 4 |
| b) | What are components? What is their application? | 2 |
| c) | What is preparing style? Give any four style rules. | 4 |
| 15. | Discuss the concept of function-point cost estimation technique in detail. Can this technique be used for technical systems? | 10 |
| 16.a) | What is SQA? Give the outline of SQA plan. | 6 |
| b) | Explain how do you model reliability of a software system. | 4 |
| 17. | a) What is system testing? | 2 |
| | b) Explain the concept of basis path testing in detail. | 6 |
| | c) What is black-box testing? Give an example. | 2 |
