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Coursework Examination 2018 – 19 (June 2019)

Programme – Ph.D. (CS) / Ph.D. (CSE)

Course name - Software Project Management

Course Code - PHD-CS-01

Time allotted: 3 Hours

Full Marks : 100

[The figure in the margin indicates full marks. Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.]

Group –A

(Multiple Choice Type Question)

10 x 1 = 10

1. *Choose the correct alternative from the following*

(i) What are the characteristics of software?

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| a. Software is developed or engineered; it is not manufactured in the classical sense | b. Software doesn't "wear out" |
| c. Software can be custom built or custom build. | d. All mentioned above |

(ii) What are the signs that a software project is in trouble?

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| a. The product scope is poorly defined. | b. Deadlines are unrealistic |
| c. Changes are managed poorly. | d. All mentioned above |

(iii) The main goal of quality assurance is to

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| a. Set coding standards | b. Improve software project management |
| c. Reduce the technique and programmatic risk in developing software | d. Specify correcting action |

(iv) When considering the following activities, which is the best example of a project?

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| a. Processing insurance claims | b. Producing automobiles |
| c. Writing a policy manual | d. Monitoring product quality |
| e. Overseeing customer requests | |

- (v) The performance of a specific task in CPM, is known
- a. Dummy
 - b. Event
 - c. Activity
 - d. None of the above
- (vi) Which model is also known as Verification and validation model?
- a. Waterfall model
 - b. Big Bang model
 - c. V-model
 - d. Spiral model
 - e. Work with a group of outsiders, including vendors and suppliers
- (vii) PERT stands for
- a. Project Evaluation and Review Technique
 - b. People Evaluation and Review Technique
 - c. Project Estimation and Review Technique
 - d. Product Evaluation and Review Technique
- (viii) Project performance consists of
- a. Time
 - b. Cost
 - c. Quality
 - d. All of the above
- (ix) A ____ is a set of activities which are networked in an order and aimed towards achieving the goals of a project.
- a. Project
 - b. Process
 - c. Project management
 - d. Project cycle
 - e. Manpower
- (x) The project life cycle consists of
- a. Understanding the scope of the project
 - b. Objectives of the project
 - c. Formulation and planning various activities
 - d. All of the above

Group – B

(Short Answer Type Questions)

6 x 5 = 30

Answer any Six from the following

2. What is project management? Why it is important? 5
3. List any four project management skills required for software project management. 5
4. Write down the time-cost trade-off algorithm 5
5. Describe resource levelling and resource smoothing in Project management 5

- 6. What are the signs that a software project is in jeopardy? 5
- 7. Explain the term capital cost and operating cost 5
- 8. State possible risks associated with Project management. 5
- 9. Distinction between PERT and CPM. 5

Group – C

(Long Answer Type Questions)

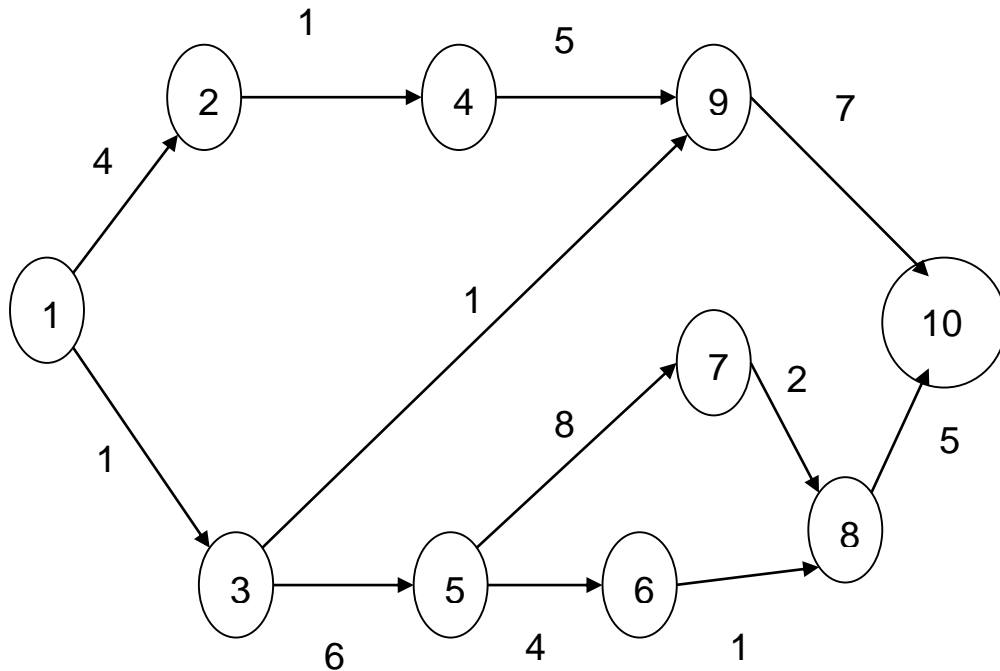
6 x 10 = 60

Answer any six from the following

- 10. Construct a network for a project whose activities and their predecessor relationship are given in the following table 10

Activity	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K
Predecessor	-	-	-	A	B	B	C	D	E	H,I	F,G

- 11. Crashing cost of a Project and Project cost estimation technique 10
- 12. Define Project Planning, Hazards, and risk planning & controlling 10
- 13. 4 P's in Software Project Management? Explain how project can be evaluated against strategic, technical and economic criteria. 10
- 14. An activity diagram is given below, compute earliest expected time (TE) , latest allowable time (TL) and total float for each activity and find the critical path 10



15. The following tables are given

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Activity	Activity Name	T ₀	T _m (in days)	t _p
1-2	A	4	6	8
1-3	B	2	3	10
1-4	C	6	8	16
2-4	D	1	2	3
3-4	E	6	7	8
3-5	F	6	7	14
4-6	G	3	5	7
4-7	H	4	11	12
5-7	I	2	4	6
6-7	J	2	9	10

- a) Draw the project network.
- b) Find the critical path
- c) Find the probability that the project is completed in 19 days

16. Explain two major components of PERT/CPM. What do you mean by dummy activity- explain with a suitable example. Explain total float, free float and independent float

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17. Draw the Pert network diagram of the project. Calculate the expected time, variance and draw the pert chart of the set of activities

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Activity	t ₀	t _m	T _p
(1, 2)	6	10	19
(1, 3)	5	9	18
(2, 4)	4	8	22
(2, 5)	4	9	10
(3, 4)	4	8	16
(3, 5)	2	6	8
(4, 5)	4	12	24
