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UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS: 2013/2014**

**IIT 2124 SOFTWARE ENGINEERING ESSENTIALS**

**DIPLOMA IN IT**

**DATE: APRIL 2014**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

**Answer ALL QUESTIONS ONE AN OTHER TWO QUESTIONS**

QUESTION ONE (30 Marks)

- (a) Explain the following software attributes (8marks)
- (i) Reliability
  - (ii) Portability
  - (iii) Robustness
  - (iv) Efficiency
- (b) Explain the difference between software engineering and system engineering (2 marks)
- (c) Describe the differences between software products and hardware products (4marks)
- (d) Explain the following types of feasibility studies (4marks)
- (i) Economic feasibility
  - (ii) Political feasibility
  - (iii) Operational feasibility
  - (iv) Technical feasibility
- (e) Define the following as applied to project management (6mrks)
- (i) Project manager
  - (ii) Work break down structure
  - (iii) Project management
  - (iv) Technical lead
  - (v) Functional lead
  - (vi) Resource
- (f) Distinguish between functional and non-functional requirements. (4marks)
- (g) Explain evolutionary development in software process models. (2marks)

SECTION B (ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS)

QUESTION TWO 20 MARKS

- (a) (i) Define software process. (5marks)
- (ii) Explain five characteristics of the software process. (10 marks)
- (b) Discuss the Waterfall model of software development. (5 marks)

QUESTION THREE 20 MARKS.

- (a) What is the difference between Engineering and science? (2 marks)
- (b) Explain the following software qualities giving examples in each case (8 marks)
- (i) Usability.
  - (ii) Interoperability

- (iii) Reusability
- (iv) Portability

(c) Explain any five software development principles (10 marks)

#### QUESTION FOUR 20 MARKS

- (a)
  - (i) Explain initiation in project management process (5 marks)
  - (ii) Describe the five activities that must be performed during this phase (5marks)
- (b) With the use of well illustrated diagrams, describe how representation and scheduling of project plans can be done. (10 marks)

#### QUESTION FIVE 20 MARKS

- (a)
  - (i) Explain the concept of Object Oriented Analysis and design (6 marks)
  - (ii) Differentiate between Encapsulation and Modularity giving examples in each case. (4marks)
- (b)
  - (i) Define software reuse (3 marks)
  - (ii) Explain five quality improvements benefits for software reuse. (5marks)
- (c) Explain two Conceptual and Technical Obstacles of software reuse (2marks)