SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS AND ESTIMATION

Course Code:13IT2101

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Pre requisites: Software Engineering.

Course Educational Objectives:

The main objective of the course is to expose the students to Software requirements and estimation. Upon completion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Understand the good practices for requirements engineering.
- 2. Understand Requirements elicitation, elicitation techniques,
- 3. Understand analysis models, Software quality attributes.
- 4. Understand software estimation, size estimation,
- 5. Understand Effort, Schedule and Cost Estimation.

Course Outcomes:

At the end of the course the student will be able to:

- 1. Gain knowledge about software requirements.
- 2. Analyze requirement elicitation techniques and prototyping.
- 3. Gain knowledge about requirement management, their principles and practices.
- 4. Analyze use case modeling and different data diagrams.
- 5. Estimating the software in terms of size, cost, effort and schedule.

UNIT-I

Software Requirements: What and Why: Essential Software requirement, Good practices for requirements engineering, Improving requirements processes, Software requirements and risk management.

Software Requirements Engineering: Requirements elicitation, requirements analysis documentation, review, elicitation techniques, analysis models, Software quality attributes, risk reduction through prototyping, setting requirements priorities, verifying requirements quality.

UNIT-II

Software Requirements Management: Requirements management Principles and practices, Requirements attributes, Change Management Process, Requirements Traceability Matrix, Links in requirements chain.

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Software Requirements Modeling: Use Case Modeling, Analysis Models, Dataflow diagram, state transition diagram, class diagrams, Object analysis, Problem Frames.

UNIT-III

Software Estimation: Components of Software Estimations, Estimation methods, Problems associated with estimation, Key project factors that influence estimation.

Size Estimation: Two views of sizing, Function Point Analysis, Mark II FPA, Full Function Points, LOC Estimation, Conversion between size measures.

UNIT-IV

Effort, Schedule and Cost Estimation: What is Productivity? Estimation Factors, Approaches to Effort and Schedule Estimation, COCOMO II, Putnam Estimation Model, Algorithmic models, Cost Estimation.

UNIT-V

Tools for Requirements Management and Estimation

Requirements Management Tools: Benefits of using a requirements management tool, commercial requirements management tool, Rational Requisite pro, Caliber – RM, implementing requirements management automation.

Software Estimation Tools: Desirable features in software estimation tools, IFPUG, USC's COCOMO II, SLIM (Software Life Cycle Management) Tools.

Text Books:

1. Swapna Kishore, Rajesh Naik, *Software Requirements and Estimation*, 1st Edition, Tata Mc Graw Hill, 2001.

References:

1. Karl E. Weigers, *Software Requirements*, 2nd Edition, Microsoft Press, 2003.

Web references:

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