



TECHNICAL UNIVERISTY OF MOMBASA

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DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION FOR:  
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
(BSIT 12S)

**ICS 2302: SOFTWARE ENGINEERING**

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION  
**SERIES: DECEMBER 2013**  
**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**Instructions to Candidates:**

You should have the following for this examination

- *Answer Booklet*

This paper consists of **FIVE** questions. Attempt question **ONE** and any other **TWO** questions

Maximum marks for each part of a question are as shown

This paper consists of **TWO** printed pages

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**Question One (Compulsory)**

- a) Distinguish between the following:
- (i) Software engineering and requirements engineering **(4 marks)**
  - (ii) Functional and non-functional requirements **(4 marks)**
- b) Briefly explain FOUR main characteristics of good software **(8 marks)**
- c) With an aid of a diagram show the main components of software Engineering framework **(10 marks)**
- d) Briefly distinguish between the following as used in software engineering:
- (i) Verification and validation
  - (ii) Coupling and cohesion **(4 marks)**
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### **Question Two**

- a) Define the term “Software Development Lifecycle” (2 marks)
- b) Explain the FIVE main characteristics of Software Lifecycles (10 marks)
- c) Describe the waterfall lifecycle model stating clearly its bad and good features (8 marks)

### **Question Three**

- a) State the FOUR fundamentals activities in all software development processes (4 marks)
- b) Describe the incremental lifecycle model stating clearly its bad and good features (8 marks)
- c) Explain any FOUR key challenges facing modern Software Engineering (8 marks)

### **Question Four**

- a) Explain the meaning of the term “Software Crisis” (4 marks)
- b) Briefly explain any FOUR professional and ethical responsibilities of software engineers. (8 marks)
- c) Distinguish the following types of requirements and provide example for each.
  - (i) Software requirements
  - (ii) System requirements
  - (iii) User requirements
  - (iv) Business requirements(8 marks)

### **Question Five**

- a) With an aid of a diagram, describe the software testing process (10 marks)
- b) Describe the spiral lifecycle model stating clearly its good and bad features (10 marks)