

Elective - I

Software Testing Methodologies

Course Objectives:

- To study fundamental concepts in software testing, including software testing objectives, process, criteria, strategies, and methods.
- To discuss various software testing issues and solutions in software unit test, integration, regression, and system testing.
- To learn how to planning a test project, design test cases and data, conduct testing operations, manage software problems and defects, generate a testing report.
- To expose the advanced software testing topics, such as object-oriented software testing methods, and component-based software testing issues, challenges, and solutions.
- To gain software testing experience by applying software testing knowledge and methods to practice-oriented software testing projects.
- To understand software test automation problems and solutions.
- To learn how to write software testing documents, and communicate with engineers in various forms.
- To gain the techniques and skills on how to use modern software testing tools to support software testing projects.

Course Outcomes:

By the end of the course, the student should:

- Have an ability to apply software testing knowledge and engineering methods.
- Have an ability to design and conduct a software test process for a software testing project.
- Have an ability to identify the needs of software test automation, and define and develop a test tool to support test automation.
- Have an ability understand and identify various software testing problems, and solve these problems by designing and selecting software test models, criteria, strategies, and methods.
- Have an ability to use various communication methods and skills to communicate with their teammates to conduct their practice-oriented software testing projects.
- Have basic understanding and knowledge of contemporary issues in software testing, such as component-based software testing problems
- Have an ability to use software testing methods and modern software testing tools for their testing projects.

Syllabus:

UNIT I:

Software Testing: Introduction, Evolution, Myths & Facts, Goals, Psychology, Definition, Model for testing, Effective Vs Exhaustive Software Testing.

Software Testing Terminology and Methodology: Software Testing Terminology, Software Testing Life Cycle, relating test life cycle to development life cycle Software Testing Methodology.

UNIT II:

Verification and Validation: Verification & Validation Activities, Verification, Verification of Requirements, High level and low level designs, How to verify code, Validation

Dynamic Testing I: Black Box testing techniques: Boundary Value Analysis, Equivalence class Testing, State Table based testing, Decision table based testing, Cause-Effect Graphing based testing, Error guessing

UNIT III:

Dynamic Testing II: White-Box Testing: need, Logic coverage criteria, Basis path testing, Graph matrices, Loop testing, data flow testing, mutation testing

Static Testing: inspections, Structured Walkthroughs, Technical reviews

UNIT IV:

Validation activities: Unit testing, Integration Testing, Function testing, system testing, acceptance testing

Regression testing: Progressives Vs regressive testing, Regression testability, Objectives of regression testing, When regression testing done?, Regression testing types, Regression testing techniques

UNIT V:

Efficient Test Suite Management: Test case design Why does a test suite grow, Minimizing the test suite and its benefits, test suite prioritization, Types of test case prioritization, prioritization techniques, measuring the effectiveness of a prioritized test suite

Software Quality Management: Software Quality metrics, SQA models

Debugging: process, techniques, correcting bugs, Basics of testing management tools, test link and Jira

UNIT VI:

Automation and Testing Tools: need for automation, categorization of testing tools, selection of testing tools, Cost incurred, Guidelines for automated testing, overview of some commercial testing tools.

Testing Object Oriented Software: basics, Object oriented testing

Testing Web based Systems: Challenges in testing for web based software, quality aspects, web engineering, testing of web based systems, Testing mobile systems

Text Books:

Software Testing, Principles and Practices, Naresh Chauhan, Oxford

Foundations of Software testing, Aditya P Mathur, 2ed, Pearson

Software Testing- Yogesh Singh, CAMBRIDGE

Reference books:

Software testing techniques - Boris Beizer, International Thomson computer press, second edition.

Software Testing, Principles, techniques and Tools, M G Limaye, TMH

Effective Methods for Software testing, William E Perry, 3ed, Wiley

