SOFTWARE VERIFICATION & VALIDATION AND TESTING

Paper-PE-CS-D-403A

Time Allowed: 3 Hours]

[Maximum Marks: 75

Note: Attempt five questions in all, selecting at least one question from each Unit. All questions carry equal marks.

UNIT-I

- 1. (a) What is software testing, and why is it important in the software development process? Discuss.
 - (b) Explain the difference between verification and validation in software testing.
- 2. (a) What is the difference between error, fault and failure? Discuss.
 - (b) What is a fault of omission, and how does it differ from a fault of commission? Provide examples of situations where a fault of omission might have significant consequences.

UNIT-II

3. (a) What is boundary value analysis, and why is it important in software testing? How does boundary value analysis contribute to the overall test coverage of a software application? Discuss.

- (b) What is mutation testing, and why is it considered a powerful technique for assessing the quality of test suites? Describe the difference between strong mutation and weak mutation testing strategies.
- 4. (a) Provide an example of cyclomatic complexity and how it is related to structural testing.
 - (b) What is equivalence class partitioning? How does equivalence class partitioning help in reducing the number of test cases while maintaining thorough test coverage? Discuss.

UNIT-III

- 5. (a) What are the primary objectives of regression testing? How do you prioritize test cases for regression testing when time and resources are limited? Discuss.
 - (b) What is integration testing? What types of bugs are detected by t? Discuss.
- 6. (a) Explain the difference between alpha testing and beta testing in the context of acceptance testing.
 - (b) What is unit testing, and why is it considered the foundation of the testing pyramid? How does it differ from integration testing and system testing? Discuss.

UNIT-IV

7. (a) What are the primary goals and objectives of stress testing? Explain the difference between stress testing and load testing.

- (b) What is the McCall Quality Model, and what is its significance in software engineering? Describe the three main categories of factors in the McCall Quality Model.
- 8. (a) What is CMM? How does an organization typically begin its journey towards CMM maturity levels, and what are the initial steps? Discuss,
 - (b) How does extreme testing contribute to ensuring the robustness and resilience of a software system?