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Due to its societal and economic relevance, Project Management (PM) has become an important discipline and a concept critical to modern organizations, public and private. PM as an academic discipline is discussed both in Management Science and in Operations Research. Management Science tends to focus on quantitative tools and the soft skills necessary to manage projects successfully. Operations Research gives the essential scientific contribution to the success of project management through the development of models and algorithms. In Management Science, Operations Research and Project Management, José Ramón San Cristóbal Mateo fills the gap between scientific research and the practical application of that research. Project managers need formal training in decision-making but sometimes, they do not have an in-depth knowledge of Operations Research or they lack the necessary theoretical background. This book, with its focus on the quantitative models of Operations Research and Management Science applied to Project Management, provides project managers with the tools and methods necessary to manage projects successfully. Project managers operate in a complex global environment, in which numerous factors need to be considered, such as minimizing total project costs, meeting contracted dates, and ensuring that activities achieve certain quality levels. The focus here on the application of quantitative models of Operations Research and Management Science applied to Project Management provides them with the tools and methods necessary to make sound decisions. Project Management: the discipline of organizing and managing resources so that a project is completed within defined scope, quality, time, and cost constraints. Oh, if only it really was that simple. Once you have the specs of the project, it is time to get down to business and manage people. And therein lies many a problem. Fuzzy, ambiguous, and subject to emotional nuances and sentimental knee-jerk reactions, people issues are often the most problematic piece of any project. As effective as it is applicable, the Triple C Model is becoming the project management mode of choice across a wide variety of organizations. The new commander of the US Air Force's Air University, Lt-General Allen Peck has cited Communication-Cooperation-Coordination as a primary theme during his administration. Tackling the soft side of project management, Triple C Model of Project Management: Communication, Cooperation, and Coordination provides practical steps for managing any project. It presents real-world applications and case studies that illustrate the application of the Triple C Model. The author covers techniques for tracking, managing, and controlling project costs as well as implementing the project management body of knowledge (PMBOK®). He includes schedule performance appraisals, project performance appraisals, and alternate project organization structures. Whether you are in the software or construction industry, or any other industry, the tools

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and techniques of project management remain the same. The key to success will always rest on the communication, cooperation, and coordination of your team. This book explains how communication leads to cooperation, which leads to coordination, which leads to project harmony, which leads to project success. On the evidence of the authors of *Advances in Project Management: Narrated Journeys in Uncharted Territory*, there is a sea change coming. That change will affect the way projects are perceived, lead and governed, particularly in the context of the wider organisation to which they belong; whether that is in the public, private or not-for-profit sectors. Many organisations have struggled to apply the traditional models of project management to their new projects in the global environment. Anecdotal and evidence-based research confirms that projects continue to fail at an alarming rate. A major part of the build-up to failure is often the lack of adequate project management knowledge and experience. *Advances in Project Management* covers key areas of improvement in understanding and project capability further up the management chain; amongst strategy and senior decision makers and amongst professional project and programme managers. This collection, drawn from some of the world's leading practitioners and researchers and compiled by Professor Darren Dalcher of the National Centre for Project Management, provides those people and organisations who are involved with the developments in project management with the kind of structured information, new approaches and novel perspectives that will inform their thinking and their practice and improve their decisions. The most comprehensive PMP Exam study package on the market Prepare for the demanding PMP certification exam with this Deluxe Edition of our PMP: Project Management Professional Exam Study Guide, Fourth Edition. Featuring a bonus workbook with over 200 extra pages of exercises, this edition also includes six practice exams, over two hours of audio on CD to help you review, additional coverage for the CAPM (Certified Associate in Project Management) exam, and much more. Full coverage of all exam objectives in a systematic approach, so you can be confident you're getting the instruction you need for the exam Bonus workbook section with over 200 pages of exercises to help you master essential charting and diagramming skills Practical hands-on exercises to reinforce critical skills Real-world scenarios that put what you've learned in the context of actual job roles Challenging review questions in each chapter to prepare you for exam day Exam Essentials, a key feature in each chapter that identifies critical areas you must become proficient in before taking the exam A handy tear card that maps every official exam objective to the corresponding chapter in the book, so you can track your exam prep objective by objective Featured on the CD SYBEX TEST ENGINE: Test your knowledge with advanced testing software. Includes all chapter review questions and bonus exams. ELECTRONIC FLASHCARDS: Reinforce your understanding with flashcards that can run on your PC, Pocket PC, or Palm handheld. AUDIO INSTRUCTION: Fine-tune your project management skills with more than two hours of audio instruction from author Kim

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"This book presents the latest research, case studies, best practices, and methodologies within the field of IT project management, offering research from top experts around the world in a variety of IT project management applications and job sectors"--Provided by publisher.

The material in this book is intended primarily as an introduction to managing senior design projects for undergraduate engineering students during their junior or senior year; however, the text may be used by other young engineers working on development of commercial products. The text is aimed at having students gain knowledge and perhaps understand the management processes required to develop and produce a prototype system or device. Other goals are to have the students or young engineers learn not only by performing the design and project management processes, but also to learn about the various types of required project documents and management reports.

More than 3,400 clear definitions of key terms, words, and phrases used by project and program managers around the world in every industry. A valuable desk or briefcase reference for those engaged in one of the world's fastest-growing professions and for those who work with them.

Projects are important to industry, but project performance continually disappoints stakeholder expectations. Organizations react to this performance problem in many ways, and purchase consultancy, training, methods and tools as possible solutions. There is no published evidence that any of these solutions are consistently successful in improving project performance. This thesis answers the question, "What can be done to improve project management practices, and thus project performance?" by demonstrating that a novel form of continuous action research can contribute such evidence.

During 1978-1982 the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA) was responsible for a research project on Environmental Quality Control and Management. The project was begun under the direction of Professor O. F. Vasiliev (from the Institute of Hydrodynamics of the Siberian Branch of the USSR Academy of Sciences) and was subsequently led by myself. This review is very much a reflection of that IIASA project. The major themes of the IIASA project were: (i) research into the methodological aspects of modeling river and lake systems [some of the principal results of this research appear in M. B. Beck and G. van Straten (eds.) (1983), *Uncertainty and Forecasting of Water Quality* (Springer, Berlin (West)), and in K. Fedra (1983), *Environmental Modeling Under Uncertainty: Monte Carlo Simulation* (IIASA Research Report RR-83-28)]; (ii) case studies in the application of mathematical models to lake eutrophication control [results of which are summarized in L. Somlyódy, S. Herodek, and J. Fischer (eds.) (1983), *Eutrophication of Shallow Lakes: Modeling and Management (The Lake Balaton Case Study)* (IIASA Collaborative Proceedings CP-83-S3), and in K. Fedra (1983), *A Modular Approach to Comprehensive System Simulation: A Case Study of Lakes and Watersheds* (in W. K. Lauenroth, G. V. Skogerboe, and M. Flug (eds.), *Analysis of Ecological Systems: State-of-the-Art in Ecological Modelling*, pp. 195-204. Elsevier, Amsterdam)]; (iii) a policy study of operational water quality management [M. B. Beck (1981), *Operational Water Quality Management: Beyond Planning and Design*

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(IIASA Executive Report ER-7)].

Project management for oil and gas projects comes with a unique set of challenges that include the management of science, technology, and engineering aspects. Underlining the specific issues involved in projects in this field, *Project Management for the Oil and Gas Industry: A World System Approach* presents step-by-step application of project management techniques. Using the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK®) framework from the Project Management Institute (PMI) as the platform, the book provides an integrated approach that covers the concepts, tools, and techniques for managing oil and gas projects. The authors discuss specialized tools such as plan, do, check, act (PDCA); define, measure, analyze, improve, control (DMAIC); suppliers, inputs, process, outputs, customers (SIPOC); design, evaluate, justify, integrate (DEJI); quality function deployment (QFD); affinity diagrams; flowcharts; Pareto charts; and histograms. They also discuss the major activities in oil and gas risk assessment, such as feasibility studies, design, transportation, utility, survey works, construction, permanent structure works, mechanical and electrical installations, and maintenance. Strongly advocating a world systems approach to managing oil and gas projects and programs, the book covers quantitative and qualitative techniques. It addresses technical and managerial aspects of projects and illustrates the concepts with case examples of applications of project management tools and techniques to real-life project scenarios that can serve as lessons learned for best practices. An in-depth examination of project management for oil and gas projects, the book is a handbook for professionals in the field, a guidebook for technical consultants, and a resource for students.

As a companion to books on project-management theory, this book illustrates, in a down-to-earth, comprehensive style, how to put that theory into practice. In addition to the many examples that illustrate procedures, the book includes over 25 case studies, each one addressing a specific theme. Key topics, such as project selection, negotiations, planning and scheduling, cost and budgeting, project control, human resources, environmental impacts, risk management, and financial evaluation, are discussed, using a step-by-step approach. Beginning at the grassroots level, some cases are solved by hand to illustrate the mechanics of a procedure, while others are solved using advanced computer programs. In this way the reader has a clear idea of the problem, how and when to raise the issue, information needed (and who can provide it), how to solve it by hand, when possible, and also its resolution using the latest informatics tools.

An Introduction to Project Modeling and Planning Springer Nature

This book highlights new trends and challenges in agent systems, and new digital and knowledge economy research, and includes 34 papers on areas such as intelligent agent interaction and collaboration, modeling, simulation and mobile agents, agent communication and social networks, business Informatics, design and implementation of intelligent agents and multi-agent systems. These papers were presented at the 12th International KES Conference on Agents and Multi-Agent Systems: Technologies and Applications (KES-AMSTA 2018) held on Australia's Gold Coast. The modern economy is driven by technologies and knowledge. Digital technologies can free, shift and multiply choices, often intruding on the space of other industries, by providing new ways of conducting business operations and creating values for customers and companies. The book addresses topics that contribute to the modern digital economy, including software agents, multi-agent systems, agent modeling, mobile and cloud computing, big data analysis, business intelligence, artificial intelligence, social systems, computer embedded systems and nature inspired manufacturing, which contribute to the modern digital economy. The results presented are of theoretical and practical value to researchers and industrial practitioners working in the fields of artificial intelligence, collective computational intelligence, innovative business models, new digital and knowledge economy and, in particular, agent and multi-agent systems, technologies, tools and applications.

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This textbook teaches the basic concepts and methods of project management but also explains how to convert them to useful results in practice. Project management offers a promising working area for theoretical and practical applications, and developing software and decision support systems (DSS). This book specifically focuses on project planning and control, with an emphasis on mathematical modeling. Models and algorithms establish a good starting point for students to study the relevant literature and support pursuing academic work in related fields. The book provides an introduction to theoretical concepts, and it also provides detailed explanations, application examples, and case studies that deal with real-life problems. The chapter topics include questions that underlie critical thinking, interpretation, analytics, and making comparisons. Learning outcomes are defined and the content of the book is structured following these goals. Chapter 1 begins by introducing the basic concepts, methods, and processes of project management. This Chapter constitutes the base for defining and modeling project management problems. Chapter 2 explores the fundamentals of organizing and managing projects from an organization's perspective. Issues related to project team formation, the role of project managers, and organization types are discussed. Chapter 3 is devoted to project planning and network modeling of projects, covering fundamental concepts such as project scope, Work Breakdown Structure (WBS), Organizational Breakdown Structure (OBS), Cost Breakdown Structure (CBS), project network modeling, activity duration, and cost estimating, activity-based costing (ABC), data and knowledge management. Chapter 4 introduces deterministic scheduling models, which can be used in constructing the time schedules. Models employing time-based and finance-based objectives are introduced. The CPM is covered. The unconstrained version of maximizing Net Present Value (NPV) is also treated here together with the case of time-dependent cash flows. Chapter 5 focuses on the time/cost trade-off problem, explaining how to reduce the duration of some of the activities and therefore reduce the project duration at the expense of additional costs. This topic is addressed for both continuous and discrete cases. Chapter 6 discusses models and methods of scheduling under uncertain activity durations. PERT is introduced for minimizing the expected project duration and extended to the PERT-Costing method for minimizing the expected project cost. Simulation is presented as another approach for dealing with the uncertainty in activity durations and costs. To demonstrate the use of the PERT, a case study on constructing an earthquake-resistant residential house is presented. Classifications of resource and schedule types are given in Chapter 7, and exact and heuristic solution procedures for the single- and multi-mode resource constrained project scheduling problem (RCPSP) are presented. The objective of maximizing NPV under resource constraints is addressed, and the capital-constrained project scheduling model is introduced. In Chapter 8, resource leveling, and further resource management problems are introduced. Total adjustment cost and resource availability cost problems are introduced. Various exact models are investigated. A heuristic solution procedure for the resource leveling problem is presented in detail. Also, resource portfolio management policies and the resource portfolio management problem are discussed. A case study on resource leveling dealing with the annual audit project of a major corporation is presented. Project contract types and payment schedules constitute the topics of Chapter 9. Contracts are legal documents reflecting the results of some form of client-contractor negotiations and sometimes of a bidding process, which deserve closer attention. Identification and allocation of risk in contracts, project control issues, disputes, and resolution management are further topics covered in this Chapter. A bidding model is presented to investigate client-contractor negotiations and the bidding process from different aspects. Chapter 10 focuses on processes and methods for project monitoring and control. Earned Value Management is studied to measure the project performance throughout the life of a project and to estimate the expected project time and cost based on the current status of the project. How to incorporate inflation into the analysis is presented. In Chapter 11,

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qualitative and quantitative techniques including decision trees, simulation, and software applications are introduced. Risk phases are defined and building a risk register is addressed. An example risk breakdown structure is presented. The design of risk management processes is introduced, and risk response planning strategies are discussed. At the end of the Chapter, the quantitative risk analysis is demonstrated at the hand of a team discussion case study. Chapter 12 covers several models and approaches dealing with various stochastic aspects of the decision environment. Stochastic models, generation of robust schedules, use of reactive and fuzzy approaches are presented. Sensitivity and scenario analysis are introduced. Also, simulation analysis, which is widely used to analyze the impacts of uncertainty on project goals, is presented. Chapter 13 addresses repetitive projects that involve the production or construction of similar units in batches such as railway cars or residential houses. Particularly in the construction industry repetitive projects represent a large portion of the work accomplished in this sector of the economy. A case study on the 50 km section of a motorway project is used for demonstrating the handling of repetitive project management. How best to select one or more of a set of candidate projects to maintain a project portfolio is an important problem for project-based organizations with limited resources. The project selection problem is inherently a multi-objective problem and is treated as such in Chapter 14. Several models and solution techniques are introduced. A multi-objective, multi-period project selection and scheduling model is presented. A case study that addresses a project portfolio selection and scheduling problem for the construction of a set of dams in a region is presented. Finally, Chapter 15 discusses three promising research areas in project management in detail: (i) Sustainability and Project Management, (ii) Project Management in the Era of Big Data, and (iii) the Fourth Industrial Revolution and the New Age Project Management. We elaborate on the importance of sustainability in project management practices, discuss how developments in data analytics might impact project life cycle management, and speculate how the infinite possibilities of the Fourth Industrial Revolution and the new technologies will transform project management practices.

Due to the growing importance of IT-based innovations, contemporary firms face an excessive number of proposals for IT projects. As typically only a fraction of these projects can be implemented with the given capacity, IT project portfolio management as a relatively new discipline has received growing attention in research and practice in recent years. Thorsten Frey demonstrates how companies are struggling to find the right balance between local autonomy and central overview about all projects in the organization. In this context, impacts of different contextual factors on the design of governance arrangements for IT project portfolio management are demonstrated. Moreover, consequences of the use of different organizational designs are analyzed. The author presents insights from a qualitative empirical study as well as a simulative approach.

The safe estimation of a duration during the planning of the Project Management schedules is a key objective for Project Managers. However, linear approaches fail to include and sufficiently serve the dynamic nature of many characteristics of an activity. The present research emphasizes in designing and implementing a methodology that approximates the duration of the activities during the phase of planning and scheduling, utilizing Grey Analysis mathematical modeling and comparing it to linear methodologies. These tools are based on time series analysis, which includes prior knowledge and experience that are taken into account during the duration estimation process. By adopting the aforementioned procedure, a Project Manager is able to provide duration approximations that fit reality better. In this book, the proposed procedure contributes to the decrease of the uncertainty concerning project completion time. Under some presumptions, the proposed methodology can be applied to any type of project and reduce, up to a scale, inaccurate estimations of Project Managers. The survey concludes with a bridge case study that validates its effective use.

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Your Complete Guide to Project Management Metrics is Here! Metrics for Project Management: A Formalized Approach describes a comprehensive set of project management metrics in an easy-to-read format. Through a unique presentation of metrics through the categories of “things,” “people,” and “enterprise,” you'll learn how metrics can:

- Guide you toward informed decisions
- Help the enterprise recognize the sum of its collective capabilities
- Ensure that plans for producing and delivering products and services are consistently realistic, achievable, and attainable
- Link the efforts of individual team members with the overall success of the project
- Indirectly promote teamwork and improve team morale

Handbook to aid candidates in preparation for the Certified Associate in Project Management (CAPM) exam.

This book contains works on mathematical and simulation modeling of processes in various domains: ecology and geographic information systems, IT, industry, and project management. The development of complex multicomponent systems requires an increase in accuracy, efficiency, and adequacy while reducing the cost of their creation. The studies presented in the book are useful to specialists who are involved in the development of real events models: analog, management and decision-making models, production models, and software products.

Scientists can get acquainted with the latest research in various decisions proposed by leading scholars and identify promising directions for solving complex scientific and practical problems. The chapters of this book contain the contributions presented on the 15th International Scientific-Practical Conference, MODS, June 29–July 01, 2020, Chernihiv, Ukraine.

As organizations realize the benefits of PM, the need to develop effective management tools rises with the increasing complexity of new technologies and processes. Taking a systems approach to accomplishing goals and objectives, Project Management: Systems, Principles, and Applications covers contemporary tools and techniques of PM from an established pedagogical perspective. A project can be simple or complex. In each case, proven PM processes must be followed with a world systems view of the project environment. While on-the-job training is possible for many of the PM requirements, rigorous and formal training must be used. Consequently, PM resources are of high utility. This text fills the void that exists in the availability of PM resources. Although individual books dealing with management principles, optimization models, and computer tools are available, there are few guidelines for the integration of these three areas for PM purposes. This book integrates these areas into a comprehensive guide to PM. It introduces the triad approach to improve the effectiveness of PM with respect to schedule, cost, and performance constraints within the context of systems modeling. It provides details on an integrated systems PM approach that can help diminish the adverse impacts of these issues through good project planning, organizing, scheduling, and control. CRC Press Authors Speak Adedeji B. Baduri speaks about his book. Watch the video

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This book presents an exciting collection of contributions based on the workshop “Bringing Maths to Life” held October 27-29, 2014 in Naples, Italy. The state-of-the-art research in biology and the statistical and analytical challenges facing huge masses of data collection are treated in this Work. Specific topics explored in depth surround the sessions and special invited sessions of the workshop and include genetic variability via differential expression, molecular dynamics and modeling, complex biological systems viewed from quantitative models, and microscopy images processing, to name several. In depth discussions of the mathematical analysis required to extract insights from complex bodies of biological datasets, to aid development in the field novel algorithms, methods and software tools for genetic variability, molecular dynamics, and complex biological systems are presented in this book. Researchers and graduate students in biology, life science, and mathematics/statistics will find the content useful as it addresses existing challenges in identifying the gaps between mathematical modeling and biological research. The shared solutions will aid and promote further collaboration between life sciences and mathematics.

Drawing on best practices identified at the Software Quality Institute and embodied in bodies of knowledge from the Project Management Institute, the American Society of Quality, IEEE, and the Software Engineering Institute, Quality Software Project Management teaches 34 critical skills that allow any manager to minimize costs, risks, and time-to-market. Written by leading practitioners Robert T. Futrell, Donald F. Shafer, and Linda I. Shafer, it addresses the entire project lifecycle, covering process, project, and people. It contains extensive practical resources-including downloadable checklists, templates, and forms.

This book exposes the reader to a comprehensive overview of instructional design using the Instructional Systems Design (ISD or ADDIE) model and project management techniques based on the framework and standards of the Project Management Institute and the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK) Guide best practices. Throughout the book, ADDIE and project management are united in a four-step combo. Readers are taught to groove two disciplines to one beat. Project Management Skills for Instructional Designers is intended to captivate the interest of the following audience: instructional designers, training managers and directors, training consultants, human resources managers, performance consultants, and project managers. This practical guide uses the creative approach of storytelling to present the content in a way that is realistic and sequential to the way an instructional designer may work. A case scenario where an instructional designer is given a mandate by the boss to design, develop, and deliver automated sales management training is the story line around which the two disciplines are applied in the four-step combo. There are two unique features of this book that distinguish it from other books in the area of project management: 1. It is a product of partnership with PMI 2. The book contains over 100 figures. It is a unique technique of utilizing graphical

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approach to studying project management methodology and passing CAPM and/or PMP exam(s).

"This book provides a comprehensive understanding and coverage of the various theories, models and related research approaches used within IS research"--Provided by publisher.

Reflecting the rapidly changing information services environment, the third edition of this bestselling title offers updates and a broader scope to make it an even more comprehensive introduction to library management. Addressing the basic skills good library managers must exercise throughout their careers, this edition includes a completely new chapter on management ethics. Evans and Alire also pay close attention to management in "new normal" straitened economic conditions and offer updates on technological topics like social media. Among the areas covered are The managerial environment, including organizational skill sets, the importance of a people-friendly organization, and legal issues Managerial skills such as planning, accountability, trust and delegation, decision making, principles of effective organizational communication, fostering change and innovation, quality control, and marketing Key points on leadership, team-building, and human resource management Budget, resource, and technology management Why ethics matter Tips for planning a library career, with a look at the work/life debate

While the project management body of knowledge is embraced by disciplines ranging from manufacturing and business to social services and healthcare, the application of efficient project management is of particularly high value in science, technology, and engineering undertakings. STEP Project Management: Guide for Science, Technology, and Engineering Projects presents an integrated, step-by-step approach to managing projects in these complex areas, using the time-tested concepts, tools, and techniques of the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK®). STEP is an acronym for Science, Technology, and Engineering Projects, and also serves as a mnemonic reference to the step-by-step approach of the book. This volume takes an approach that combines managerial, organizational, and quantitative techniques into a logical sequence of project implementation steps. The book begins by exploring the special methodology imperative for managing these types of sophisticated projects. It then delineates the major steps involved in project integration. The author discusses the management of scope, time, cost, quality, human resources, communications, risk, and procurement. Then, using a compelling case study that profiles the errors leading to the 1986 Challenger disaster, the book examines how flaws in decision-making, failure to consider all factors, lack of communication, and inappropriate priorities can lead to catastrophe. In today's fast-changing IT-based, competitive global market, success can be even more elusive and hard won. Effective project management in all facets of operations can give an enterprise the advantage it seeks. In this book, the author's direct writing style, designed to appeal to busy professionals, conveys the complex

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concepts of high-stakes project management in a simple, efficient manner. He provides a general framework that shows what needs to be done to manage complex projects, using steps that are flexible, expandable, and modifiable. Traditional business practices have been left behind due to the increased use of data analytics and information technology in companies worldwide. This development has led to businesses implementing transformative projects that use these new technologies in their decision-making systems. Altering the entire architecture of a company is a daunting task; however, researchers are finding methods through applied mathematics that can make it easier on companies. Implementing analytical models into current business processes is vital for professionals across the globe. Using *Applied Mathematical Models for Business Transformation* is an essential reference source that discusses the advancement of decision-making systems in business environments with the use of applied mathematics, algorithms, and information technology. Featuring research on topics such as decision-making systems, critical success factors, and global enterprise architecture, this book is ideally designed for project managers, financial analysts, business strategists, software engineers, technical architects, students, researchers, and educators seeking coverage on the transformation of business practices using applied mathematics and information technology. The volume includes a set of selected papers extended and revised from the I2009 Pacific-Asia Conference on Knowledge Engineering and Software Engineering (KESE 2009) was held on December 19~ 20, 2009, Shenzhen, China. Volume 1 is to provide a forum for researchers, educators, engineers, and government officials involved in the general areas of Computer and Software Engineering to disseminate their latest research results and exchange views on the future research directions of these fields. 140 high-quality papers are included in the volume. Each paper has been peer-reviewed by at least 2 program committee members and selected by the volume editor Prof. Yanwen Wu. On behalf of this volume, we would like to express our sincere appreciation to all of authors and referees for their efforts reviewing the papers. Hoping you can find lots of profound research ideas and results on the related fields of Computer and Software Engineering.

Software Project Management is an emerging discipline. The software project manager's job comprises every aspect of the project from starting the project to closing out. Practitioners of the discipline use several project management tools in managing diverse aspects of their projects. However, there is no existing management theory that combines different aspects of a software project and results in a complete picture. This study discusses a management theory and modeling language that combine several management aspects of software projects into concrete models to aid the software project manager. The mathematical relations and graphical models derived from the theory consist of entire entities and activities of a project as determined by the project team, and they depict any kind of relationship between the entities and activities, including

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stakeholders. The theory provides a mathematical model for software projects and the modeling language provides graphical models of software projects representing the mathematical model. This study tests the applicability of the theory and the modeling language in two case studies. The results indicate that the theory and modeling language are applicable to real world projects, and that they show promise as valuable software project management tools.

This book, Applications of Operational Research and Mathematical Models in Management, includes all the papers published in the Mathematics Special Issue with the same title. All the published papers are of high quality and were subjected to rigorous peer review. Mathematics is included in the Science Citation Index (Web of Science), and its current Impact Factor is 1.747. The papers in this book deal with on R&D performance models, methods for ranking the perspectives and indicators of a balance scorecard, robust optimization model applications, integrated production and distribution problem solving, demand functions, supply chain games, probabilistic optimization and profit research, coordinated techniques for order preference, robustness approaches in bank capital optimization, and hybrid methods for tourism demand forecasting. All the papers included contribute to the development of research.

Responding to the demand by researchers and practitioners for a comprehensive reference, Handbook of Industrial and Systems Engineering offers full and easy access to a wide range of industrial and systems engineering tools and techniques in a concise format. Providing state of the art coverage from more than 40 contributing authors, many of whom a

My Little Blue Book of project management presents a concise and succinct guide for managing projects at home, work, or leisure. It is, indeed, a little blue book. Both personal and corporate projects can benefit from the contents of the book, although the primary focus is on personal projects at home. We tend to be more organized at work than we are at home. Thus, a book focusing on applying project management at home is very much needed. The essential elements of project management are presented in My Little Blue of Project Management, where the common thread for managing any type of project, both big and small, is the personal commitment of the humans to the project at hand. Regardless of the efficacy of the computer tools and analytic techniques available for project management, the underlying foundation for success, in the premise of this book, is personal commitment. If the most effective tools are not used promptly and properly, no amount of wishful practices and corrective actions can make a precarious project successful. My Little Blue Book of project management advocates preempting project problems through advance planning, organizing, resource allocation, scheduling, and control of project activities. For ease of reference, My Little Blue Book of Project Management is organized in seven topical areas of What, Why, Who, Where, When, Which, and How.

Presents information on principles that can be used in planning, managing, and leading business projects.

This book presents current investigations in the field of mathematical modeling and simulation to support the development of intelligent information systems in domains such as ecology and geology, manufacturing, project management, and safety of distributed information systems. The book will be of interest to developers of modern high-tech software complexes for situational control centers, based on mathematical modeling and simulation methods. In

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addition, it will appeal to software engineers and programmers, offering them new implementation and application methods. Gathering the latest research, prepared by leading scholars, and identifying promising new directions for solving complex scientific and practical problems, the book presents selected outcomes of the 14th International Scientific-Practical Conference, MODS2019, held in Chernihiv, Ukraine, on June 24 to 26, 2019.

Project management tools can be used as an alternative to improve and strengthen a company's position in the market. However, the management of projects has been in constant transformation. Elements such as time, cost, and scope, on which it is based, have been complemented with other trends, such as the project team, change management, knowledge management, good negotiation practices, management of stakeholders, sustainability, etc. In order to improve the competitiveness of their company and increase earned value, managers must remain up to date on these latest transformations and best practices. The Handbook of Research on Project Management Strategies and Tools for Organizational Success is a pivotal reference source that analyzes and disseminates new trends that will allow managers to improve their skills and strengthen the performance of their companies through obtaining better results in the projects undertaken. While highlighting topics such as market growth, risk management, and value creation, this book is ideally designed for project managers, managers, business professionals, entrepreneurs, academicians, researchers, and students seeking current research on improving the competitiveness of companies as well as increasing their earned value.

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