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INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Answer ALL the questions on the answer scripts provided.
- 2. For section A, write only the letter of the answer
- 3. Write clearly and neatly.

1. Calculator.

4. Number the answers clearly.

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Section A: Multiple Choice Questions

[15 marks]

[1 mark]

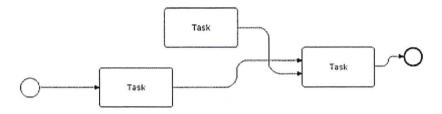
A. Issue-to-resolution
B. Application-to-approval
C. Procure-to-pay
D. Order-to-cash
2. Which stage of business process evolution were the consumers and producers of a given good often the same persons? [1 mark]

1. Applying for a travelling visa, is an example of which business process type?

- A. Prehistoric times
- B. Ancient times
- C. Middle Ages:
- D. Industrial Revolution:
- 3. The output of the process identification phase is a _____. [1 mark]
 - A. Designation
 - B. Evaluation Phase
 - C. Process Architecture
 - D. Root Cause Analysis
- 4. The secondary activity in Porter Value Chain dealing with the acquisition of inputs or resources is said to be. [1 mark]
 - A. Procurements
 - B. Resources management
 - C. Infrastructure
 - D. Development
- 5. In Bussiness Process Modeling Notation (BPMN), which is true about an association? [1 mark]
 - A. Data descriptions between two Messages are connected to the same pool with an event object as input to or an output from an activity.
 - B. Information structures exist between two Flow Objects
 - C. Artifacts are associated with Activities and Control Objects to show that an event object is either an input to or an output from an activity
 - D. A directional Association is often used with Data Objects to show that a Data Object is either an input to or an output from an activity



6. What is wrong with the Bussiness Process Modeling Notation (BPMN) diagram below? [1 mark]



- A. The sequence flow starts with an end event
- B. The sequence flow starts with an intermediate event
- C. An activity starts without a sequence flow
- D. The activity has no attached intermediate event
- 7. The gateway controls which aspect of a business process?

[1 mark]

- A. Divergence and convergence
- B. The message
- C. The sequence and message flow
- D. The data
- 8. How do you indicate that the sub-process is being invoked?

[1 mark]

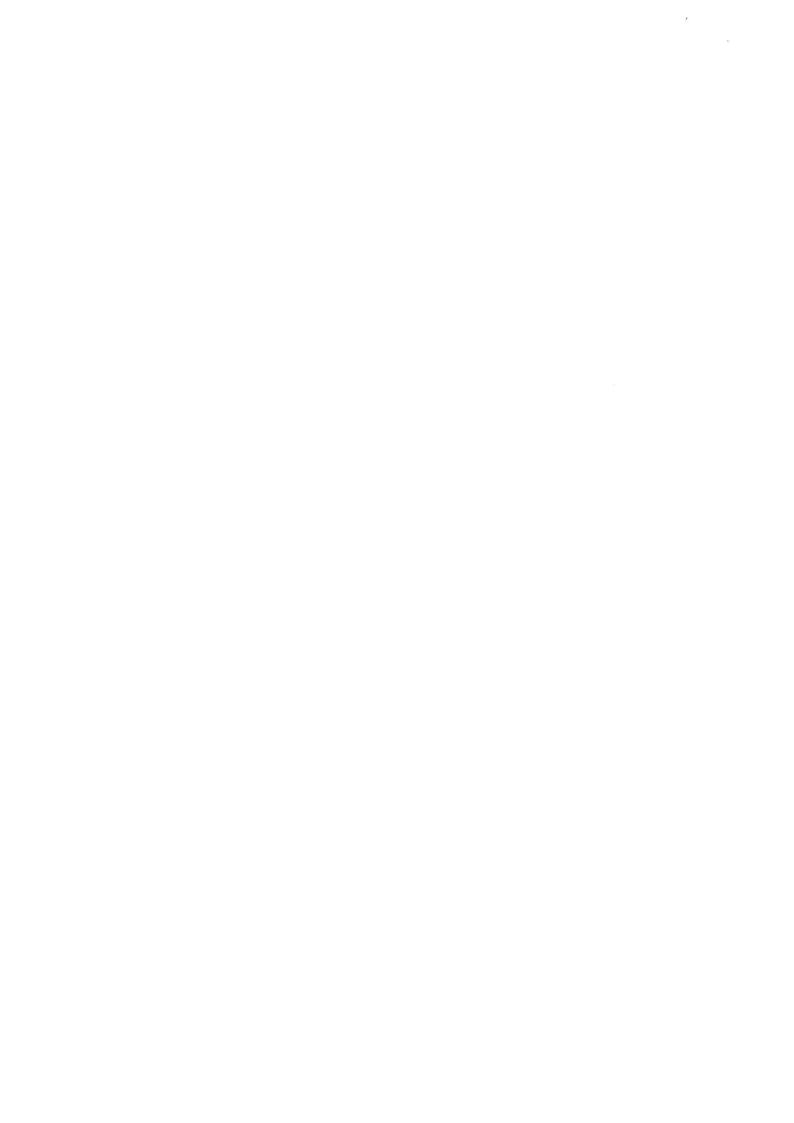
- A. Use a collapsed sub-process activity with a thinker border
- B. Use expanded sub-process activity with a thinker border
- C. Use collapsed and sub-process activity with a thin border
- D. Use collapsed and sub-process activity with a thicker border
- 9. Which stage of process discovery provides the basis for the definition of pools and lanes?

[1 mark]

- A. Identify the process boundaries
- B. Identify activities and events
- C. Identify resources and their handovers
- D. Identify the control flow
- 10. Why is it important to identifying patterns in the information provided by domain experts?

[1 mark]

- A. Patterns can be utilized for constructing parts of a process model
- B. Models have to look nice to be engaging to a wide audience
- C. order to progress with the project, it is important to have a short and precise set of working hypotheses
- D. They will be useful when designing resources and handovers



11	 The following is a disadvantage for which methods: the models resulting from proce may not be directly understandable. Observation Automatic process discovery Document analysis Interview based 	ess mining [1 mark]
12	 2. A step that is required due for the regulatory environment of the business is called? A. Business Value-adding B. Non-value adding C. Value –adding D. Environment value adding 	[1 mark]
13	 3. To understand the cause of process defects one need to do: A. Root cause analysis B. Waste elimination analysis C. Defects analysis D. Non value adding analysis 	[1 mark]
14	 Factors related to a wrong assessment or an incorrectly performed step is discussed 6Ms? A. Milieu 	under whicl [1 mark

B. Man C. Method D. Material

- B. Process manager
- C. Process supplier
- D. Process analyst



Section B: Structured Questions

[37 marks]

Question1: Briefly explain how the Gartner Hype cycle helps organisations with their technology investments decisions. [5 marks]

Question2: Explain how the process are managed and documented in the first three phases of the Capability Maturity Model Integrated (CMMI) framework. [6 marks]

- a. Level 1 (Initial):
- b. Level 2 (Managed):
- c. Level 3 (Defined):

Question3: As a process modeller, explain when it is appropriate to use:

[5 marks]

- (a) Sub-process:
- (b) Process re-use

Question 4: Discuss some of the implications of having domain knowledge and modelling knowledge in different persons in an organisation. [9 marks]

Question 5: Discuss some of the limitations that the process analyst may encounter when gathering information about a process using the documentation technique. [8 marks]

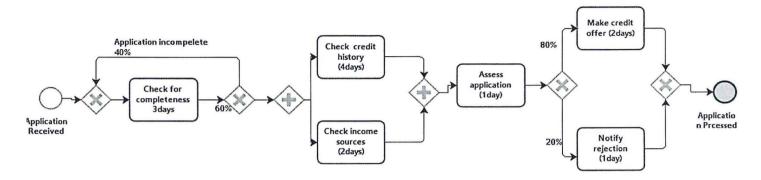


Section C: Practical Based Questions

[28 marks]

Question1: Calculate the cycle time for the above process. Clearly illustrates the steps of your calculation.

[8 marks]



Question 2: Model the following fragment of a business process for assessing loan applications.

[10 marks]

Once a loan application has been approved by the loan provider, an acceptance pack is prepared and sent to the customer. The acceptance pack includes a repayment schedule, which the customer needs to agree upon by sending the signed documents back to the loan provider. The latter then verifies the repayment agreement: if the applicant disagreed with the repayment schedule, the loan provider cancels the application; if the applicant agrees, the loan provider approves the application. In either case, the process completes with the loan provider notifying the applicant of the application status.

Question 10: The table below consist of various symbols used in business process modelling projects. Name the symbol and describe their role in a process modelling exercise. [10 marks]

No.	Symbol	Symbol name and description
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