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SADT/IDEF0 for Augmenting UML, Agile Development, and Usability Engineering

Date: May 19, 2011 Time: 12:00pm - 1:00pm Speaker: David A. Marca

Agenda: Informal networking will begin at 11:30am.

Presentation will begin at 12:00pm.

Location: Rocky Rococo's Pizza

7952 Tree Lane (Beltline Hwy. at Mineral Pt. Rd.)
Madison, WI 53717 ... telephone: 608-829-1444

Menu: Lunch meal provided: \$5 for IEEE members, \$10 for non-members, free for students.

RSVP: Deadline: May 16. Go to http://meetings.vtools.ieee.org/meeting_view/list_meeting/6669

to register. Please send questions or difficulties to Mark Vincent at mvincent@ecw.org.

Non-member guests are always welcome!

Abstract

Many experts state that: a) specifying "all the small parts of a system" and b) correct expected system usage, can make agile software development more effective. Unified Modeling Methodology (UML) addresses the former, and usability engineering addresses the later. Taken together, they create a systems development framework, capable of: a) specifying functions, data, behavior and usage, b) rapid prototyping, and c) verifying system usability and correctness. All three methods focus on the system, while trying to ascertain context. Correct and complete context requires domain modeling. Structured Analysis and Design Technique (SADT/IDEF0) is a proven way to model any kind of domain. Its power and rigor come from: a) a synthesis of graphics, natural language, hierarchical decomposition, and relative context coding, b) distinguishing control from transformation, c) function activation rules, and d) heuristics for managing model complexity. This talk will explain how SADT/IDEF0 domain modeling can augment, and thus bring correct and complete context to, agile system development, Unified Modeling Language (UML) specifications, and usability engineering.

Biography

David A. Marca is a professor for the University of Phoenix Online School. His six books and 27 papers cover e-Business, business process design, workflow, and software engineering. His latest book with the IEEE is "Open Process Frameworks: Patterns for the Adaptive e-Enterprise". He holds a patent in workflow technology, and is a member of the IEEE. David is also President and founder of OpenProcess, Inc., specializing in strategic planning, systems analysis and design, and e-Business consulting.

IEEE Entrepreneurs & Consultants Network, Madison Networking Meeting

Date: May 5, 2011
Time: 12:00pm to 1:00pm
Purpose: Officer's Meeting.

Location: Madison Area Technical College (MATC West Campus) 302 S. Gammon Road (Across from West Towne Mall)

Madison, WI 53717 ... Telephone: 608-246-6100 Parking: Open parking, so come early to get a closer spot.

Process: Members are encouraged to make introductions, describe endeavors, and make request

for: contacts in target companies, needs, resources. Bring your elevator speech and rolodex!

RSVP: Tim Chapman (PrettyGoodGUIs@TrueNym.NET)





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Monthly Section Meetings

The third Thursday of Jan.-May and Sep.-Dec. is reserved for a meeting to provide recent research, developments, trends and/or innovations in one of our membership's technical areas.

Section Meeting Schedule for 2011

(schedule subject to change)



(past) **January 19**, Wind Turbine Generators.

(past) **January 20**, Capitol Heat & Power Plant Rebuild Project.

(past) **February 17**, Tesla Coil Design and Construction ... live demo!!

(past) **March 17**, Privacy of Electronic Health Information.

(past) **April 12**, 21st Century Electric Machines

May 19, SADT/IDEF0 for Augmenting UML, Agile Development, and Usability Engineering

August 18, New strategies for debugging electronics

September 1, Consumer Digital Storage: Personal, Shared, Hierarchical, Virtual

October 28, Distinguished Lecturer on Signal Processing: Dr. Patrick Flandrin on time-frequency energy distributions.

November 17, TQM Experiences in the High Precision Instrumentation Industry. Tour the Bruker, AXS facility!!

December 15, Voting for 2012 Officers

Monthly Networking Meetings

The first Thursday of every month is reserved for a meeting to provide networking opportunities for members who are consultants or entrepreneurs. Bring your elevator speech and rolodex!

Networking Meeting Schedule for 2011 (schedule subject to change)

(past) **January 3**, Kickoff meeting for 2011.

(past) March 3, SBIR Process and Panel.

(past) **April 7**, Sector67 – Overview of Madison innovation environment.

June 2, iPhone and iPad Development Experiences.

August 4, Working on the Network.

October 6, Telepresence.

December 1, IEEE Tools for Self Promotion.





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Section Notes

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Our Section runs on the generosity of our members in the donation of their time, skills and efforts. We invite anyone in our Section to consider becoming a Section Officer in 2012. Please send your thoughts and considerations about possibly serving on the Board of Directors for our section to this year's chairman: David Marca, dmarca@openprocess.com Thank you!

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