

CSC 302 - Week 2

Only 9 more weeks :-)

Administrivia

- Hand in homework
- Hand back quizzes
- You've looked over the IEEE/ACM Software Engineering Code of Ethics
- You've read Chapter 1 and [2] of Baase
 - chapter 2 may be finished by Wednesday
- You've read Chapter 1 of Petroski's text (10 pages of riveting prose?)

Go over Quiz

- Note style and content
 - just like for textbooks, figure out your Professor and what s/he is driving at
 - in fact, I recommend you do some research about your Professors in general
 - where did they go to school?
 - what did they research?
 - what drives them - what do they have to teach you?
- I want to know you've done the readings
- I want to know you can do some analysis independent of the text and class discussion

IEEE/ACM Software Engineering Code of Ethics

- Put up webpage (it is in back of Baase too)
 - what do you think?
 - what are the main features?
 - how about IP enforcement?
 - is it ever mandatory to violate the law?
 - refer to this when you need some general principles

Baase Text as a Text

- Why did she write the book?
- Where does she work (check her webpage?)
- What is in Preface? Epilogue?
- Does she have a glossary?
- Does she cite your Professor?
- Note the Chapter structure

Baase Chapter 1, anything of interest?

- “Issues”
 - Unemployment
 - Alienation and customer service
 - Crime
 - Loss of Privacy
 - Errors

For Week 3

- Read Chapters 2 and 3 in Petroski's book
- Begin Chapter 4 Baase (look at it now :-)
- Discuss individual topic presentations (look at syllabus)
- Anticipate group formation next week
- Assignment: Baase 2.7 and 2.27 (think about 2.43) due Monday

Baase, Chapter 1

- “Themes”
 - Old problems in a new context*
 - Adapting to new technology
 - Global reach of the “net”
 - Tradeoffs and controversy*
 - Distinguish personal choice, business policy and law
 - negative and positive rights*

Baase, Chapter 1

- “Benefits”
 - the www in general: communication
 - autos and trucks
 - education and training
 - crime fighting
 - health and medicine
 - medical devices *
 - patient records
 - diagnoses
 - telemedicine

Baase, Chapter 1

- Tools for Disabled (ADA stuff?)
- Automation in manufacturing
- Identification, sensors and tracking
- Reducing paper and trash

Petroski

- What about the text?
- Chapter 1 “Being Human”
 - consider Engineering spirituality vis a vis the Creation Stories
 - “Science” studies the natural world
 - Engineers live in the “given” world
 - Simon “Design Science” ideas are new

Petroski

- Risks of engineering
 - new technology implies new risks
 - risk-utility analysis
 - requirements
 - cost
 - personal taste
 - inconstant
 - incorrect.....
 - code of Hammurabi

Petroski

- Things could be Engineered “10 times as strong”
 - for a price
 - time, money, effort
- Is this true for software and computing?