An Extension Course for Training Trainers of Embedded Software

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Motivation



Training Trainers

- \rightarrow Trainers educate engineers in their company
- → Explosive Increase Embedded Software Engineers

Nagoya University started an extension program

- In October 2004, Nagoya University has started an extension program on embedded software.
- We call NEXCESS
 - Nagoya university EXtension Courses for Embedded Software Specialists
- Nagoya is center of JAPAN near TOYOTA city



NEXCESS organization



Classify -1 : Technical Level



- Introductory Level
 - An engineer at this level can accomplish his/her duties under directions by his/her superior.
- Intermediate Level
 - An engineer at this level can promote his/her projects by his/her own judgment.
- Advanced Level
 - An engineer at this level can lead his/her company.

Classify -2 : Carrier



Classify -3 : Class



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9 Courses

- Introductory class (one course)
 - "Fundamentals of the embedded software development technology"
- Intermediate class (two courses)
 - 01: "Design methodology and management of embedded software"
 - 02: "Software design technology with a real-time OS"
- Advanced class (Technical Specialists) (five courses)
 - 01: "Internal structure of a real-time OS"
 - 02: "C-based embedded hardware design"
 - 03: "System control middleware and application"
 - 04: "Software engineering for embedded systems"
 - 05: "Ubiquitous interface and embedded software programming for image processing"
- Trainer class (one course)
 - "Training of future trainers who give a lecture on the introductory class"

Introductory course : skill map

Technology component					
Information Processing	Information input	Read a switch using a PORT			
	Information output	Turn on a LED using a PORT			
	Data processing	Use the inside timer of CPU			
Platform	Processor	Initialize CPU, Understand memory map			
	Basic software	Use the real time operating system			
Development Process technology					
Design	Software design	Understand structured design			
Programming and testing	Programming	Do C programming			
	Testing	Generate boundary value			
Integration	Integration testing	Do test design			
Management skill					
Development process management	Process design	Understand development process			

Introductory course : 4 days

• The 1st day

Embedded system, Software development process, Structure design, Structure design exercise*, Check of development environment * *

• The 2nd day

Hardware knowledge, Embedded C programming, How to use the board for an exercise* *, Embedded C programming exercise * *

• The 3rd day

Real time OS, ITRON programming * *

• The 4th day

Test process, Test specification*, Down count timer application* *

Introductory class : workshop



PC: Integrated development environment

500 lines C programming The student can learn how to initial a microprocessor, how to use microprocessor timer, how to get a switch, how to turn on a LED, how to build program and how to write flash ROM.

target board. 16bit M16C(RENESAS)

Timer start SW



Time out signal

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The number of applicants per course (2004-2005)



Training Trainers

• Explosive increase Introductory class embedded software engineers



Trainer Course Schedule

- First stage (2 days)
 - Teaching the education skill
- Second stage (4 days)
 - Introductory class observation
- Third stage (4 days)
 - Practice teaching of introductory class
- Fourth stage (1 day)
 - Review



total 11 days

Engineering skill and Educational skill



 Trainer must have Engineering skill Educational skill

 Most of all engineers at this carrier are experiences in software development.
→ They have Engineering skill

 But Many engineers at this carrier do not have experienced trainers.
→ No Educational skill

Educational Skill

- Common skill
 - Project management skill
 - Leadership skill
 - Communication skill
 - Negotiation skill
- Planning and development skill
 - Planning skill of a training course
 - Course development skill



Difference between Teaching and Coaching

	Instruction skill		
Teaching			Coaching
The educational method to clue up.		The educational method to draw forth.	
It teaches that a student does not know.		It helps for a student to discover.	
It is required also of individual guidance or class room.		It is required when doing individual guidance.	
It is required as an educator.		It is required also as a boss.	

Exercise Instruction skill

- Teaching Skill
 - Preparation of a lecture
 - How to talk
 - How to use a whiteboard
 - The method of a question to the student
 - How to hear the opinion of a student

- Coaching Skill
 - How to adjust to the motion of a student. (Mirroring)
 - How to adjust to the way a student speaks. (Pacing)
 - How to listen closely.
 - How dose a partner speak about real intention.
 - How to make a good action plan.



Trainer Course : Third stage (4 days) Practice of introductory class Fourth stage (1 day)

Trainer Course Evaluation

• High evaluation



• Train Trainer course is useful for Trainers

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Thank you for your very attention.