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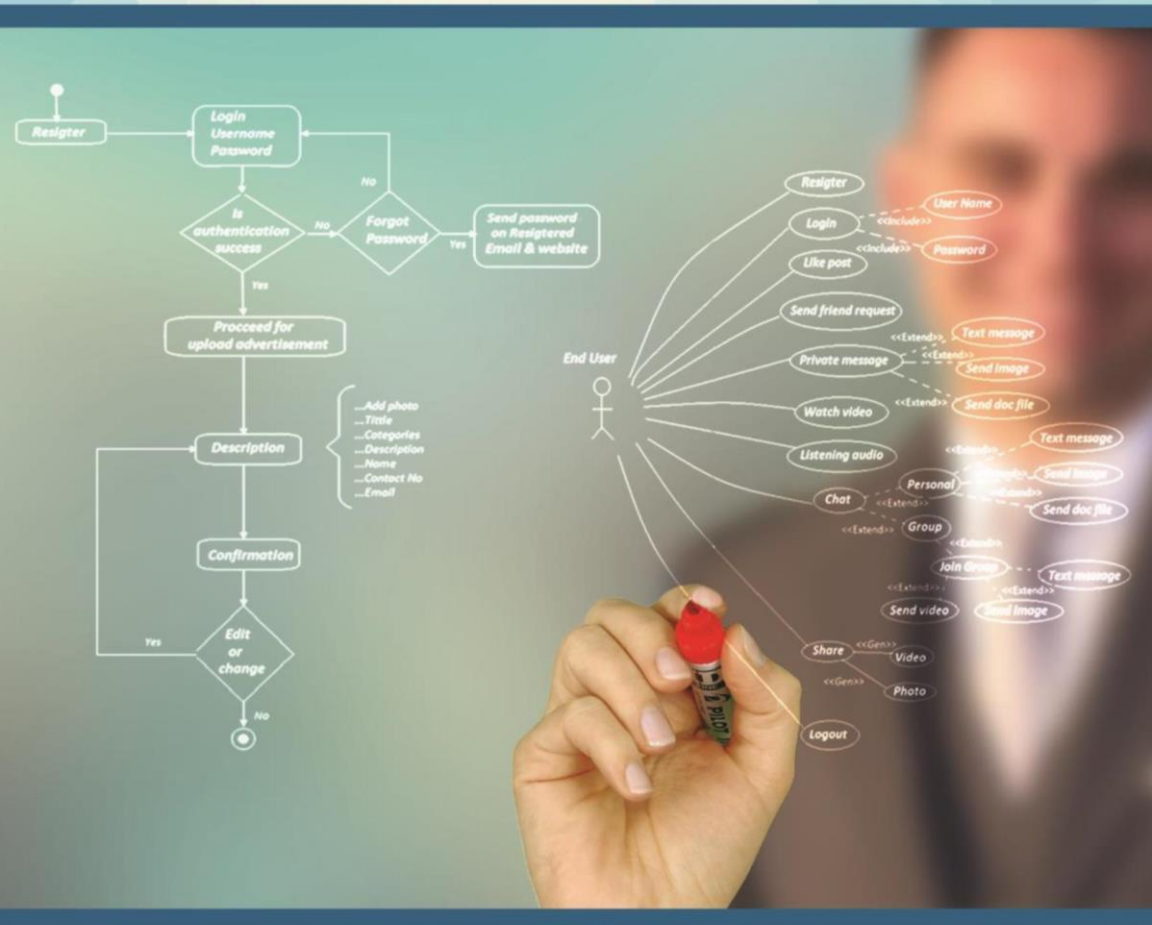

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Dedicated to my lovely family-

My wife Aishwarya and my son Dhruv.
Also my Mom, Dad and Sister

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Preface

The dream of writing this book came from motivation of my students and family. While assisting my students to understand business analysis, I decided to document my practical experience which finally led to authoring this book.

Purpose of the book

Writing this book is an endeavor to reaching the technical and non-technical candidates who wish to start their career in IT as a Business Analyst as well as those who are already working as business analysts and intend to have a more clear understanding in the area of Business Analysis.

This book documents all my professional and practical expertise. It gives practical understanding of the duties business Analyst performs every day. The information in this book includes real project stages with supportive documentation templates as well. I try my best to convey my experience in understandable language. I am confident that this book will take to the next level

Scope of the book

There are nine chapters in this book. Chapter one and two explains the basic concept of IT projects, various key roles involved in a typical project, and pre project activities to be performed by a business analyst. Chapter three focus software development life cycle and various software development models and also suggests the pros and cons of each model. Chapter four explicates business process modeling through UML diagrams. Chapter five explicates all the documentation templates. Chapter six and seven is having BRD and SRS example. Chapter Eight is giving the Overview of Microsoft Visio. Chapter Nine gives the overview for Interview Questions.

I hope this book should serve to solve the purpose of the motive which planted the seed of the idea of writing this book and you will find it as one of the most easy going and interesting book with the most practical picture of Business Analyst profession

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