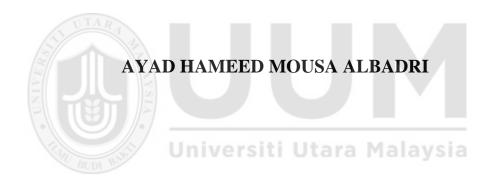
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Abstrak

Tujuan utama Kepintaran Perniagaan (BI) ialah untuk memberi tumpuan kepada menyokong pembuatan keputusan strategik, operasi, dan taktikal sesebuah organisasi dengan menyediakan salinan data yang menyeluruh, tepat, dan jelas kepada pembuat keputusan. Sebuah Gudang Data (DW) dianggap sebagai input dalam aktiviti-aktiviti sistem pembuatan keputusan, dan dibentuk melalui proses Ekstrak (Extract), (Ubah) Transform, dan Beban (Load) (ETL). ETL beroperasi dalam tempoh yang tertentu dan memerlukan data untuk memproses dan menghantar data. Walaubagaimanapun, menyediakan maklumat menghampiri masa nyata bagi membantu pengintergrasian data dalam menyokong pembuatan keputusan adalah satu isu yang telah diketahui. Ketidakbolehcapaian maklumat menghampiri masa nyata boleh diatasi menggunakan pemayaan data (DV) kerana ia menyediakan maklumat yang utuh, abstrak, menghampiri masa nyata, dan terlindung bagi memenuhi permintaan pengguna. Tidak ketinggalan, ketika ini, terdapat kajian yang terhad berkaitan model BI bagi membangun dan mengurus data dalam persekitaran maya yang mampu memenuhi keperluan organisasi. Oleh itu, matlamat utama kajian ini adalah bagi mengusulkan sebuah model DV untuk pembuatan keputusan menghampiri masa nyata dalam persekitaran BI. Kaedah penyelidikan sains reka bentuk diadaptasi bagi mencapai objektif kajian. Sebagai hasil kajian, sebuah model yang dinamakan Model Pembangunan Pemayaan Data (DVDeM) diusulkan, yang mengemukakan fasa-fasa dan komponen-komponen yang mempengaruhi persekitaran BI. Bagi mengesahkan model, semakan pakar dan perbincangan kumpulan fokus telah dijalankan. Sebuah prototaip berdasarkan model yang diusulkan telah dibangunkan, dan dilaksanakan dalam dua kajian kes. Selain itu, satu alat pengukuran telah dibangunkan bagi menilai kebolehgunaan dan keupayaan model dalam menyediakan data menghampiri masa nyata. Sejumlah 60 subjek kajian telah terlibat, dan dapatan menunjukkan 93% daripada subjek kajian bersetuju bahawa prototaip yang menerapkan DVDeM berupaya menyediakan data menghampiri masa nyata dalam menyokong proses pembuatan keputusan. Daripada jakian tersebut, dapatan juga menunjukkan bahawa majoriti responden (melebihi 90%) dalam sektor pendidikan dan perniagaan, telah mengakui kefungsian DVDeM dan kebolehgunaan prototaip, khasnya keupayaan menghantar data pembuatan keputusan menghampiri masa nyata. Dapatan juga menunjukkan sumbangan teoririkal dan praktikal bagi pembangun untuk membangun aplikasi BI yang cekap menggunakan teknik DV. Juga, min bagi setiap item ukuran adalah lebih besar dari 4 yang menunjukkan responden setuju dengan setiap pernyataan bagi setiap item pengukuran. Sementara itu, skor min bagi atribut kebolehgunaan model reka bentuk DVDeM secara keseluruhan adalah "tinggi" atau "agak tinggi". Oleh itu, keputusan menyediakan petunjuk yang cukup bahawa pembangunan sistem yang menerap DVDeM membuahkan sistem yang dilihat oleh majoriti responden sebagai berkebergunaan tinggi dan berupaya menyokong data pembuatan keputusan yang menghampiri masa nyata.

Keywords: Kepintaran Perniagaan, Sistem Sokongan Keputusan, Pemayaan Data, Gudang Data, Pembuatan Keputusan.

Abstract

The main purpose of Business Intelligence (BI) is to focus on supporting an strategic, operational and tactical decisions by providing organization's comprehensive, accurate and vivid data to the decision makers. A data warehouse (DW), which is considered as the input for decision making system activities is created through a complex process known as Extract, Transform and Load (ETL). ETL operates at pre-defined times and requires time to process and transfer data. However, providing near real time information to facilitate the data integration in supporting decision making process is a known issue. Inaccessibility to near realtime information could be overcome with Data Virtualization (DV) as it provides unified, abstracted, near real time, and encapsulated view of information for querying. Nevertheless, currently, there are lack of studies on the BI model for developing and managing data in virtual manner that can fulfil the organization needs. Therefore, the main aim of this study is to propose a DV model for near-real time decision making in BI environment. Design science research methodology was adopted to accomplish the research objectives. As a result of this study, a model called Data Virtualization Development Model (DVDeM) is proposed that addresses the phases and components which affect the BI environment. To validate the model, expert reviews and focus group discussions were conducted. A prototype based on the proposed model was also developed, and then implemented in two case studies. Also, an instrument was developed to measure the usability of the prototype in providing near real time data. In total, 60 participants were involved and the findings indicated that 93% of the participants agreed that the DVDeM based prototype was able to provide near real-time data for supporting decision-making process. From the studies, the findings also showed that the majority of the participants (more than 90%) in both of education and business sectors, have affirmed the workability of the DVDeM and the usability of the prototype in particular able to deliver near real-time decision-making data. Findings also indicate theoretical and practical contributions for developers to develop efficient BI applications using DV technique. Also, the mean values for each measurement item are greater than 4 indicating that the respondents agreed with the statement for each measurement item. Meanwhile, it was found that the mean scores for overall usability attributes of DVDeM design model fall under "High" or "Fairly High". Therefore, the results show sufficient indications that by adopting DVDeM model in developing a system, the usability of the produced system is perceived by the majority of respondents as high and is able to support near real time decision making data.

Keywords: Business Intelligence, Decision Support Systems, Data Virtualization, Data Warehouse, Decision-Making.

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List of Abbreviations

BI Business Intelligence

CRM Customer Relationship Management

CG Conceptual Graph

DW Data Warehousing

DV Data Virtualization

DSS Decision Support System

IT Information Technology

IS Information System

LOB line-of-Business

SOA Service Oriented Architecture

UML Unified Modeling Language

SEU Subjective Expected Utility

ERP Enterprise Resource Planning

VDIS View based Data Integration Theory

WST Work System Theory

OLTP Online Transaction Processing

EII Enterprise Information Integration

GD Goal-Driven

VDIS View based Data Integration Theory

WST Work System Theory

RFID Radio Frequency Identification

ODS Operational Data Store

GDT Goal Decomposition Tree

GUI Graphical User Interface

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KPIs Key Performance Indicators

OMT Object-Method Table

RTBI Real Time Business Intelligence

CA Comparative Analysis



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CHAPTER ONE INTRODUCTION

1.1 Overview

This chapter provides some background of the study that deliberates on issues that lead to the motivation aspects of the study, the specification of the problem, identification of research gap, and formulation of research questions and objectives. It also discusses the scope and limitations of the study, contribution of study, and research framework, operational definitions of terms used throughout the study, as well as chapter summary.

1.2 Background of Study

The background of this study can be classified into six main sections: business intelligence, decision support system, data sources, real-time business intelligence, data warehouse, and finally, data virtualization. The following are the list of details:

1.2.1 Business Intelligence

Business Intelligence (BI) is the mechanism to provide insights for most of the operations and performance of organizations, in addition to identifying strategic business opportunities. Over the years, numerous definitions of BI have emerged; however, there is no comprehensive definition that is acceptable by all researchers in this area. BI from a technical point is a set of techniques, tools and methodologies that work together to transform the information and data belonging to the organizations into meaningful and actionable information and making this information available to decision makers in an organization (Cody, Kreulen, Krishna, & Spangler, 2002; Dayal, Castellanos, Simitsis, & Wilkinson, 2009; Kimball, Ross,

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Appendix A

Expert Review Form



INSTRUMENT FOR EXPERT REVIEW:

DATA VIRTUALIZATION DESIGN MODEL FOR NEAR- REAL TIME DECISION MAKING IN BUSINESS INTELLIGENCE ENVIRONMENT

Dear Prof. / Dr. / Sir / Ma,

I am Ayad Hameed Mousa Albadri who is currently pursuing his PhD study in Multimedia at University Utara Malaysia. I am delighted to inform you that you have been selected to participate in this research on the reason as follows:

- Your qualifications either in higher education or database data integration or human computer interaction or instructional design or computer science areas, and/or technology or data virtualization or business intelligence.
- You have been studying/researching/teaching in data virtualization or data integration or data mining or business intelligence or computer science areas for many years.

My PhD research proposes the **Data Virtualization Design Model for Near- Real Time Decision Making in Business Intelligence Environment.** It aims is to propose an appropriate structure, layout and navigation as part of how to integrate and manage data in virtualize manner and deliver them in data consumers(end users). These proposed model will provide on-demand data and data on fly, live data (real data in real time to real users) in order to support decision makers to make better decisions.

One part of this research is to evaluate the proposed appropriate design strategies in a few dimensions as listed in the review form.

You will see the review questions give you ample opportunity to use your expertise, experiences, interest, and creativity. It would be greatly appreciated if you could complete this evaluation form.

The information supplied will be treated as confidential and will be used for the research purposes, which will be reported anonymously in academic publications.

Please feel free to contact me by e-mail: maryemayad@yahoo.com in regard to any queries.

Instructions:

The model development consist of three main phases the first one is Data virtualization requirement gathering, while the second one represent Data virtualization development, finally, the third one represent Data virtualization presentation. The first figure shows the proposed model in general while the others show each phase in details. Please read and go through them carefully. Once this is done, with the expertise you possess, please provide feedback for the entire question in the provided spaces. Finally, regarding other components in this model (Data virtualization validation and control and Data consumer feedback). Regarding Data virtualization validation and control: - In Data virtualization environments, traceability and change management must be carried out in both requirements and architectural spheres. The former is concerned with managing changes to agreed requirements and its impact to other requirements inside the same or in external documents. The Data consumer Feedback is important to overcome the shortcomings that may occur at all levels of this model.

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Name*	- Totala Halayola
Age	:
Gender	: Male Female
Highest education level*	:
Years of Working Experience*	:
Signature & Stamp*	:
ITEMS TO REVIEW	

Based on the attached figures of **proposed appropriate structure**, **phases and navigation** (as depicted in the attached), please tick ($\sqrt{}$) your choice.

	Items	All are	Some are	Some may	Total
		relevant	definitely not relevant	not relevant	
Q1	Relevancy of proposed model	phases			
1.1	Model main phases				

1.2	Linking between Phases				
1.3	DV Requirements Gathering				
1.4	DV Model Development				
1.5	DV Model Presentation				
1.6	Content Structure				
1.7	theory				
Q2	Relevancy of proposed model	phases and their	components		
DV F	Requirements Gathering				
2.1	Organization and Business		-	I	
2.1	Requirements				
2.2	Data Sources requirements				
2.3	Infrastructure requirements				
2.4	Linking between components				
DVI	Development				ı
2.5	Data Preparation and				
2.3	connection				
2.6	Data manipulation and				
2.7	management GODV approach			4	
2.8	Linking between components				
DV P		ersiti Uta	ra Malay	/sia	ı
2.9	View data sources				
2.10	View virtual table				
2.11	View reports				
2.12	View virtual data mart				
2.13	View report based on virtual				
2.14	data marts Publishing virtual table				
2.15	Linking between				
2.13	components				
Q3	Items	Need very	Needs some explanation	Is easy to understand	Total
		details			
		explanation			
1	Clarity of terminology				
3.1	Model main phases				
3.1	Linking between Phases				
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3.1	Linking between Phases				

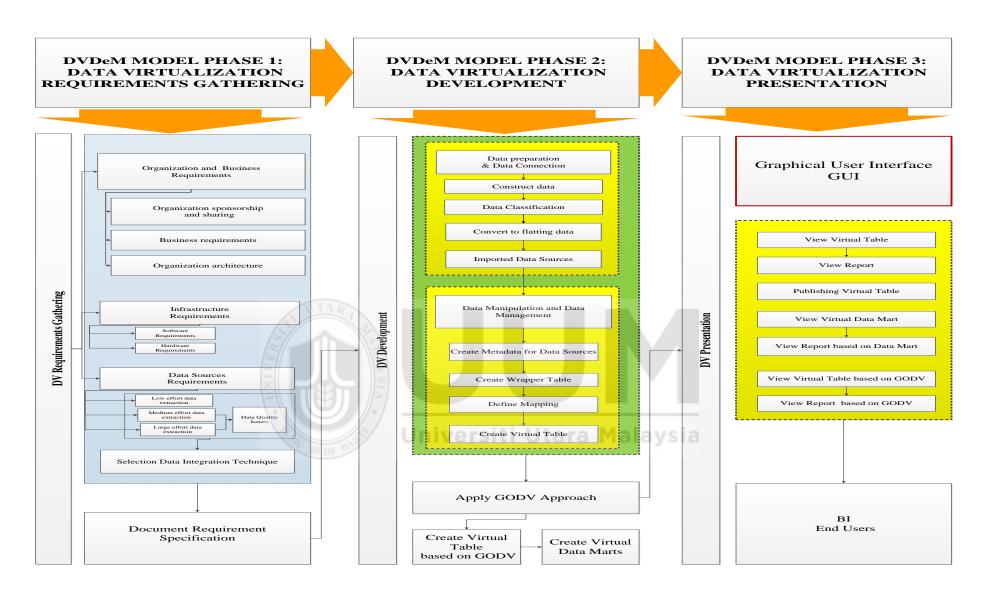
3.6	Content Structure				
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2.0	Data Virtualization Requirer	ments Gathering			
3.8	Organization and Business Requirements				
3,9	Data Sources Requirements				
3,10	Infrastructure Requirements				
3.11	Requirements Specifications				
3.12	Linking between components				
	Data Virtualization Develop	mont			
3.13	Data Preparation &				
	Connection				
3.14	Data Manipulation &				
	Management				
3.15	GODV approach				
3.16	Linking between				
	components	4.			
2.17	Data Virtualization Presenta	tion	-		
3.17	View data sources				
3.18	View Virtual Tables				
3.19	View Virtual data mart				
3.20	View report based on virtual table				
3.21	View report based on virtual data mart			4	
3.22	Publishing virtual table		7		
3.23	View virtual table based on GODV approach				
3.24	View virtual data mart based on GODV	ersiti Uta	ra Mala	ysia	
3.25	Create and view reports based on GODV approach (virtual table)				
3.26	Create and view reports based on GODV approach (virtual data marts)				
3.27	Linking between components				

Interpretations of the scales: 4= Strongly Agree, 3= Agree, 2= Disagree, 1= Strongly Disagree

	Question	4	3	2	1
4.	I found that terminologies used are easy to understand				
5.	I found the connections and flows of all components are logically				
	appropriate				
6.	I found that proposed phases and components will guide designers to				
	develop of data virtualization system in Business Intelligence				İ

7.	Generally, I found that the proposed appropriate design data virtualization model are readable and understanding	
Plea	ase write your further comments below:	





The Proposed Model

Appendix B

Focus Group Discussion Form



INSTRUMENT FOR FOCUS GROUP DISCUSSION:

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Based on the attached figures of **proposed**, **phases and linking between phases and their components** (as depicted in the attached), please tick ($\sqrt{}$) your choice.

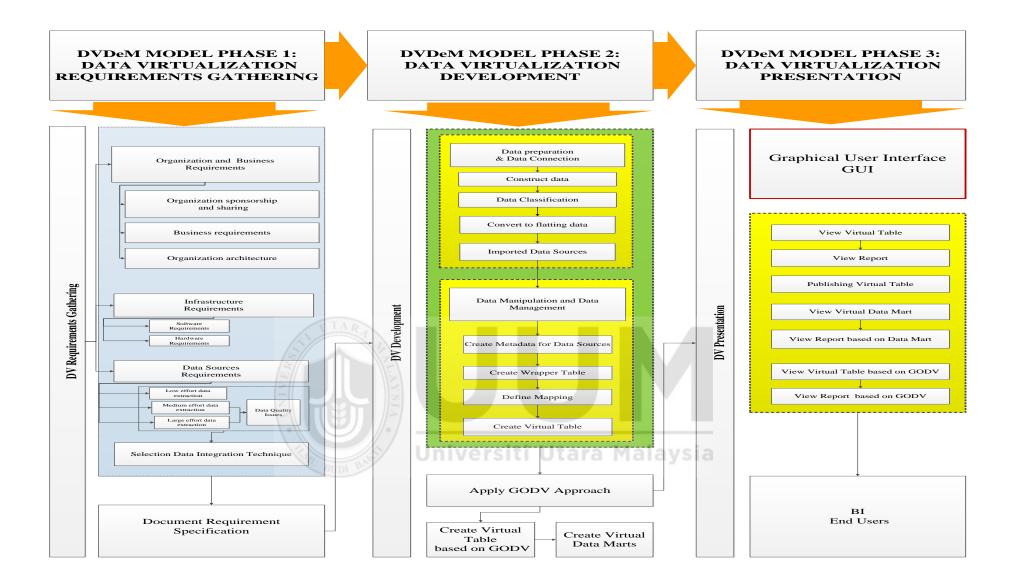
2	Items	Need very details	Needs some	Is easy to understand	Total
-		explanation	explanation	unuerstand	
Q1	How clear are the terminologic		va Mala	vele	
1.1	Model main phases	ersiti Uta	ira Mala	ysia	
2.1	Linking between Phases				
Q2	To what extent the understand	ing the DV requi	rements gatherin	ng in terms of:	
2.1	Organization and Business				
	Requirements				
2.2	Data Sources Requirements				
2.3	Infrastructure Requirements				
2.4	Requirements Specifications				
2.5	Linking between them				
Q3	To what extent the understan	nding the DV Do	evelopment gatl	hering in term	s of:
3.1	Data Preparation &				
	Connection.				
3.2	Data Manipulation &				
	Management				
3.3	Linking between them				
Q4	To what extent the understan	nding DV Presen	tation in terms	of:	
4.1	View data sources				
4.2	View virtual table				
4.3	View virtual data marts				
4.4	Publishing virtual table				
4.5	View virtual table based on				
	GODV				

4.6	View virtual data marts	
	based on GODV.	
4.7	Create and view report based	
	on GODV (virtual table).	
4.8	Create and view report based	
	on GODV(virtual data mart).	

	Questions	Strongly Agree	Agree	Dis- agree	Strongly Disagree
5	I found the connections and flows of all elements are logically appropriate				
6	Generally, I found that the proposed Model are readable and understanding				
7	I found that proposed model can be used as guideline by BI developers.				

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Thanks for your usual cooperation *Ayad Hameed Mousa Albadri*



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Appendix C

Q-U Instrument



Q-U Evaluation Instrument for Measuring Usability of the DVDeM Prototype

Female

PARTICIPANTS DETAILS

Highest education level*

Male

Age: __

Gender

		rking Experience* :	
		ons of the scales: Strongly Agree (5); Agree (4); no	eutral (3); Disagree (2); and Strongly
Dis	agree (1)).	
	Q-U	INSTRUMENT ITEMS	
1	Visil	bility Items	
	1	This system can display the information (Virtual Tables, Virtual Data Mart, and BI Reports) in an uncluttered and well-structured manner.	5 4 3 2 1
	2	All instructions are visible and self-explanatory.	5 4 3 2 1
	3	Navigation options in this application such as (Links, shortcuts, home, back, forward, etc.) are displayed in visible manner.	5 4 3 2 1

	4	The system is able to communicate the status at all times (whether resting, processing etc.).	5 4 3 2 1
	5	In this system the data is concisely presented.	5 4 3 2 1
	6	This system has all the functions and capabilities I expect it to have.	5 4 3 2 1
	7	I like using the interface of this system.	5 4 3 2 1
	8	The interface for this system is pleasant.	5 4 3 2 1
	9	The organization of information in the system screen was clear.	5 4 3 2 1
2	Fle	exibility Items	
	1	I felt fully in control when using this system.	5 4 3 2 1
	2	This system has customizable feature.	5 4 3 2 1
	3	In this system the design for data entry is flexible.	5 4 3 2 1
	4	The data can be used, manipulated, and/or processed in easy manner.	5 4 3 2 1
	5	This system handles user-specified windows.	5 4 3 2 1
3	Le	arnability Items	
	1	In this system the data grouping reasonable for easy learning.	5 4 3 2 1

	In this system promotes learnability to make it accessible for infrequent usage.	5 4 3 2 1
	In this system the grouping of menu options is logical.	5 4 3 2 1
	I believe I could become productive quickly using this system.	5 4 3 2 1
4	The Application Behavior Items	
	This system enhances user efficiency through a consistently rapid response rate.	5 4 3 2 1
	The system behavior is consistent.	5 4 3 2 1
	The information was effective in helping me complete the tasks and scenarios.	5 4 3 2 1
	It was easy to find the information I needed.	5 4 3 2 1
	Whenever I made a mistake using the system, I could recover easily and quickly.	5 4 3 2 1
	I was able to complete the tasks and scenarios quickly using this application.	5 4 3 2 1
5	Error Control & Help	
	This system has ability for error prevention and error recovery.	5 4 3 2 1
	The information (such as online help, onscreen messages and other documentation) provided with this system was clear.	5 4 3 2 1
	The system gave error messages that clearly told me how to fix problems.	5 4 3 2 1
	The system provides a help on demand.	5 4 3 2 1

	5 Overall, I am satisfied with this system.	5 4 3 2 1
	Overall, I am satisfied with how easy it is to use this system.	5 4 3 2 1
6	Near Real Time Decision Making	
	In this system, the knowledge sharing is allowed.	5 4 3 2 1
	This System provides the information visualization functionality (comparison charts, graphs to reveal trends etc.) to assist in decision making.	5 4 3 2 1
	In this system, the breadth and depth of the data provide sufficient coverage for all data resources.	5 4 3 2 1
	In this system, data is received on time to take suitable actions and decisions.	5 4 3 2 1
	In this system, the data is always live data and up to date.	5 4 3 2 1
	In this system, the data was cleaning, cleansing, and profiling, so there are almost no errors in the data.	5 4 3 2 1
	1. I agree that the system based on DVDeM can help	users to create the intended reports in
	right time. Yes No	
	2. I agree that the system based on DVDeM ca	an be used in business intelligence
	environment. Yes No	

Appendix D Detail Results Of The Pilot Study

1. Reliability test of Measurement for Visibility Items

Reliability Statis	etics
Cronbach's Alpha	N of Items
0.709	9

		Scale Statistics	
Mean	Variance	Std. Deviation	N of Items
46.42	3.468	1.862	9

[3]	E	Item Statistics	
Items	Mean	Std. Deviation	N
V_Q1	5.12 Uni	versiti ^{.454} tara M.	lavsia ⁶⁷
V_Q2	5.07	.252	67
V_Q3	5.18	.390	67
V_Q4	5.20	.403	67
V_Q5	5.10	.354	67
V_Q6	5.27	.446	67
V_Q7	4.98	.537	67
V_Q8	5.17	.740	67
V_Q9	5.33	.475	67

		Item-Total St	atistics	
Items	Scale Mean if Item Deleted	Scale Variance if Item Deleted	Corrected Item- Total Correlation	Cronbach's Alpha if Item Deleted
V_Q1	41.30	2.417	0.597	0.761
V_Q2	41.35	3.181	0.249	0.755
V_Q3	41.23	3.029	0.210	0.766
V_Q4	41.22	3.529	-0.148	0.758
V_Q5	41.32	2.864	0.399	0.750
V_Q6	41.15	3.248	0.013	0.737
V_Q7	41.43	2.589	0.342	0.759
V_Q8	41.25	2.597	0.135	0.760
V_Q9	41.08	2.790	0.285	0.760

2. Reliability test of Measurement for Flexibility Items

Reliability Star	tistics
Cronbach's Alpha	N of Items
Universiti	Utara Malaysia
.719	5

Scale Statistics				
Mean	Variance	Std. Deviation	N of Items	
25.55	1.736	1.318	5	

Item Statistics			
Items	Mean	Std. Deviation	N
FL10	5.12	.409	67
FL11	5.10	.431	67
FL12	5.18	.458	67
FL13	5.25	.438	67
FL14	4.90	.526	67

	Item-Total Statistics			
Items	Scale Mean if Item Deleted	Scale Variance if Item Deleted	Corrected Item- Total Correlation	Cronbach's Alpha if Item Deleted
FL10	20.43	1.310	.276	.740
FL11	20.45	1.221	.346	.748
FL12	20.37	1.328	.187	.733
FL13	20.30	1.303	.240	.746
FL14	20.66	1.077	.350	.737

3. Reliability test of Measurement for Learnability Items

Reliability Statistics	
Cronbach's Alpha	N of Items
0.725	4

	Sca	le Statistics	
Mean	Variance	Std. Deviation	N of Items
20.57	1.673	1.294	4

Item Statistics				
Item	Mean	Std. Deviation	N	
LR15	5.00	.426	67	
LR16	5.19	.584	67	
LR17	5.18	.386	67	
LR18	5.19	.529	67	

	Item-Total Statistics				
Item	Scale Mean if Item Deleted	Scale Variance if	Corrected Item- Total Correlation	Cronbach's Alpha if Item Deleted	
LR15	15.57	1.007	.567	.750	
LR16	15.37	.722	.616	.739	
LR17	15.39	1.726	.199	.748	

LR18	15.37	.844	.566	.734

1. Reliability test of Measurement for Application Behavior Items

Reliability Statistics			
Cronbach's Alpha	N of Items		
.771	6		

Scale Statistics				
Mean	Variance	Std. Deviation	N of Items	
31.03	2.908	1.705	6	

	Item Statistics				
Item	Mean	Std. Deviation	N		
AB19	5.15	.359	67		
AB20	5.31	.467	67		
AB21	4.97	.651	67		
AB22	5.21	.538	67		
AB23	5.15 Univ	ersiti 1.500 ara Ma	laysi ₆₇		
AB24	5.24	.553	67		

	Item-Total Statistics					
Item	Scale Mean if Item Deleted	Scale Variance if Item Deleted	Corrected Item- Total Correlation	Cronbach's Alpha if Item Deleted		
AB19	25.88	2.258	.483	.727		
AB20	25.72	1.812	.697	.730		
AB21	26.06	2.299	.094	.729		
AB22	25.82	2.149	.298	.737		
AB23	25.88	2.379	.181	.745		
AB24	25.79	2.350	.149	.729		

${\bf 2.} \quad {\bf Reliability\ test\ of\ Measurement\ for\ Error\ Control\ \&\ Help\ Items}$

Reliability Statistics				
Cronbach's Alpha	N of Items			
.723	6			

Item Statistics				
ltem	Mean	Std. Deviation	N	
EC25	4.94	.795	67	
EC26	5.18	.650	67	
EC27	5.45	.610	67	
EC28	5.25	.560	67	
EC29	5.36	.620	67	
EC30	5.27	.592	67	

Scale Statistics				
Mean	Variance	Std. Deviation	N of Items	
31.45	6.190	2.488	6	

	Item-Total Statistics					
Item	Scale Mean if Item Deleted	Scale Variance if Item Deleted	Corrected Item- Total Correlation	Cronbach's Alpha if Item Deleted		
EC25	26.51	4.526	.305	.745		
EC26	26.27	4.260	.563	.717		
EC27	26.00	5.394	.150	.740		

EC28	26.19	4.492	.584	.721
EC29	26.09	4.477	.506	.743
EC30	26.18	4.089	.731	.732

3. Reliability test of Measurement for Near Real Time Decision Making Items

Reliability Statistics						
Cronbach's Alpha	N of Items					
.745	6					

	Scale Statistics							
Mean	Variance	Std. Deviation	N of Items					
31.52	4.950	2.225	6					

	Item Statistics									
ltem	Mean	Std. Deviation	N							
BI31	5.31 Uni	ersiti _{.583} ara Ma	laysi ₆₇							
BI32	5.25	.560	67							
BI33	5.37	.599	67							
BI34	5.13	.600	67							
BI35	5.34	.478	67							
BI36	5.10	.581	67							

	Item-Total Statistics									
Item	Scale Mean if Item Deleted	Scale Variance if Item Deleted	Corrected Item-Total Correlation	Squared Multiple Correlation	Cronbach's Alpha if Item Deleted					
BI31	26.21	3.319	.608	.970	.734					
BI32	26.27	3.715	.427	.754	.732					
BI33	26.15	3.402	.539	.970	.738					
BI34	26.39	3.393	.541	.906	.720					

BI35	26.18	4.270	.228	.136	.742
BI36	26.42	3.641	.438	.761	.720



Appendix E The Terminologies Definitions

	Terminologies	Definitions
1	Extract,	Three database functions that are combined into
	Transform,	one tool to pull data out of one database and
	Load (ETL).	place it into another database.
2	Extract.	The process of reading data from a database.
3	Transform.	The process of converting the extracted data from its previous form into the form it needs to be in so that it can be placed into another database. Transformation occurs by using rules or lookup tables or by combining the data with other data.
4	Load.	The process of writing the data into the target database.
5	Line-of- business (LOB).	General term that describes the products or services offered by a business or manufacturer. A company that manufactures solid state disk drives, for example, might claim their LOB is data storage.
6	Operational Data Store (ODS).	An operational data store (or "ODS") is a database designed to integrate data from multiple sources for additional operations on the data. Unlike a master data store, the data is not passed back to operational systems. It may be passed for further operations and to the data warehouse for reporting.
7	Key Performance Indicator (KPI).	A business metric used to evaluate factors that are crucial to the success of an organization. KPIs differ per organization; business KPIs may be net revenue or a customer loyalty metric, while government might consider unemployment rates.
8	Comparative Analysis.	Comparative analysis refers to several existing models from previous studies being analyzed and

		compared.
9	Graphical	A visual way of interacting with a computer
	User Interface	using items such as windows, icons, and menus,
	(GUI).	used by most modern operating systems.
10	Evaluation	Evaluation Instrument used to measuring
	Instrument	prototype usability in BI environment
	(Q-U).	compressed of six attributes named: visibility,
		flexibility, learnability, application behavior,
		error control and help, and near real time
		decision making used for test usability of
		business intelligence prototype in business
		intelligence environment.
11	Information	Any organized system for the collection,
	system (IS).	organization, storage and communication of
	TITAD	information. More specifically, it is the study of
		complementary networks that people and
		organizations use to collect, filter, process,
		create and distribute data.
12	Artificial	The theory and development of computer systems
	Intelligence	able to perform tasks that normally require
	(AI).	human intelligence, such as visual perception,
		speech recognition, decision-making, and
12	Online	translation between languages.
13	Online Transaction	A class of software programs capable of
	Processing Processing	supporting transaction-oriented applications on the Internet. Typically, OLTP systems are used
	(OLTP).	for order entry, financial transactions, customer
	(OLII).	relationship management (CRM) and retail
		sales.
14	Zero-latency	Any strategy that exploits the immediate
_ •	enterprise	exchange of information across technical and
	(ZLE).	organizational boundaries to achieve business
	(benefit
15	Conceptual	A conceptual graph (CG) is a graph
	Graph (CG).	representation for logic based on the semantic
		networks of artificial intelligence and the

existential graphs of Charles Sanders Peirce.
The research CGs have explored novel techniques for reasoning, knowledge representation, and natural language semantics.



Appendix F
The Descriptive Statistics for Education Sector

Q-U Instrument	N	Range	Minimum	Maximum	Sum		lean	Std. Deviation	Variance			
Attributes	Statistic	Statistic	Statistic	Statistic	Statistic	Statistic	Std. Error	Statistic	Statistic			
Visibility Iter	Visibility Items											
Item 1	30	1	4	5	125	4.170	0.069	0.379	0.144			
Item 2	30	1	4	5	122	4.070	0.046	0.254	0.064			
Item 3	30	1	4	5	124	4.130	0.063	0.346	0.120			
Item 4	30	1	4	5	126	4.200	0.074	0.407	0.166			
Item 5	30	2	3	5	122	4.070	0.067	0.365	0.133			
Item 6	30	18/	4	5	128	4.270	0.082	0.450	0.202			
Item 7	30		4 9	5	124	4.130	0.063	0.346	0.120			
Item 8	30	2	3	5	127	4.230	0.104	0.568	0.323			
Item 9	30	1	4.	5	130	4.330	0.088	0.479	0.230			
Flexibility Ite	ems	200	BUDI BAR	JIII V C I 31 (.i Otaia	indiay	310					
Item 1	30	2	3	5	124	4.130	0.079	0.434	0.189			
Item 2	30	2	3	5	123	4.100	0.088	0.481	0.231			
Item 3	30	2	3	5	125	4.170	0.084	0.461	0.213			
Item 4	30	1	4	5	127	4.230	0.079	0.430	0.185			
Item 5	30	2	3	5	118	3.930	0.082	0.450	0.202			
Learnability	Items											
Item 1	30	2	3	5	119	3.970	0.076	0.414	0.171			
Item 2	30	2	3	5	125	4.170	0.108	0.592	0.351			

Item 3	30	1	4	5	125	4.170	0.069	0.379	0.144		
Item 4	30	2	3	5	125	4.170	0.097	0.531	0.282		
Application Behavior Items											
Item 1	30	1	4	5	124	4.130	0.063	0.346	0.120		
Item 2	30	1	4	5	129	4.300	0.085	0.466	0.217		
Item 3	30	2	3	5	122	4.070	0.082	0.450	0.202		
Item 4	30	2	3	5	125	4.170	0.097	0.531	0.282		
Item 5	30	2	3	5	124	4.130	0.093	0.507	0.257		
Item 6	30	2	3	5	127	4.230	0.104	0.568	0.323		
Error Contr	ol & Help I	tems //					4				
Item 1	30	2	3	5	120	4.000	0.117	0.643	0.414		
Item 2	30	2	3	5	125	4.170	0.118	0.648	0.420		
Item 3	30	2	3/0/ -	5	132	4.400	0.113	0.621	0.386		
Item 4	30	2	3	5	127	4.230	0.104	0.568	0.323		
Item 5	30	2	3	5	130	4.330	0.111	0.606	0.368		
Item 6	30	2	3	5	128	4.270	0.106	0.583	0.340		
Near Real Ti	me Decisio	n Making Ite	ms								
Item 1	30	2	3	5	128	4.270	0.106	0.583	0.340		
Item 2	30	2	3	5	127	4.230	0.104	0.568	0.323		
Item 3	30	2	3	5	130	4.330	0.111	0.606	0.368		
Item 4	30	1	4	5	127	4.230	0.079	0.430	0.185		
Item 5	30	1	4	5	130	4.330	0.088	0.479	0.230		
Item 6	30	2	3	5	123	4.100	0.111	0.607	0.369		

Appendix G
The Descriptive Statistics for Business Sector

	O II												
Q-U	N	Range	Min	Max	Sum	Me	ean	Std. Deviation	Variance				
Instrument Attributes	Statistic	Statistic	Statistic	Statistic	Statistic	Statistic	Std. Error	Statistic	Statistic				
Visibility I	Visibility Items												
Item1	30	2	3	5	123	4.100	0.088	0.481	0.231				
Item2	30	1	4	5	122	4.070	0.046	0.254	0.064				
Item3	30	2	3	5	122	4.070	0.082	0.450	0.202				
Item4	30	1/	4	5	126	4.200	0.074	0.407	0.166				
Item5	30	2	3	5	122	4.070	0.082	0.450	0.202				
Item6	30	1	4	5	127	4.230	0.079	0.430	0.185				
Item7	30	2	3	5	119	3.970	0.102	0.556	0.309				
Item8	30	2	3 -	5	124	4.130	0.115	0.629	0.395				
Item9	30	2	3	Univ5	128	4.270	vsia 0.117	0.640	0.409				
Flexibility	Items		BUDI BIS										
Item1	30	2	3	5	127	4.230	0.133	0.728	0.530				
Item2	30	2	3	5	131	4.370	0.131	0.718	0.516				
Item3	30	2	3	5	122	4.070	0.117	0.640	0.409				
Item4	30	2	3	5	129	4.300	0.128	0.702	0.493				
Item5	30	2	3	5	126	4.200	0.121	0.664	0.441				
Learnabili	ty Items												
Item1	30	2	3	5	121	4.030	0.102	0.556	0.309				
Item2	30	2	3	5	125	4.170	0.097	0.531	0.282				

30	2	3	5	124	4.130	0.093	0.507	0.257				
30	2	3	5	124	4.130	0.093	0.507	0.257				
Application Behavior Items												
30	1	4	5	125	4.170	0.069	0.379	0.144				
30	2	3	5	127	4.230	0.092	0.504	0.254				
30	2	3	5	124	4.130	0.079	0.434	0.189				
30	2	3	5	126	4.200	0.101	0.551	0.303				
30	2	3	5	125	4.170	0.097	0.531	0.282				
30	2	3	5	125	4.170	0.097	0.531	0.282				
trol & Help	Items											
30	2	3	5	126	4.200	0.111	0.610	0.372				
30	2	3	5	129	4.300	0.119	0.651	0.424				
30	2	3	5	130	4.330	0.111	0.606	0.368				
30	2	3	5	124	4.13	0.115	0.629	0.395				
30	2	BUDI 8 3	5	129	4.30	0.128	0.702	0.493				
30	2	3	5	127	4.23	0.124	0.679	0.461				
Гіте Decisi	on Making	Items										
30	2	3	5	130	4.33	0.111	0.606	0.368				
30	2	3	5	126	4.20	0.101	0.551	0.303				
30	2	3	5	131	4.37	0.112	0.615	0.378				
30	1	4	5	126	4.20	0.074	0.407	0.166				
30	1	4	5	131	4.37	0.089	0.490	0.240				
30	2	3	5	125	4.17	0.108	0.592	0.351				
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Appendix H The DVDeM Prototype Pseudocode

The main procedure to achieve the organization requirements:

- 1- Connect To the server
- 2- Connect to sources databases
- 3- Understand and analysis the all tables and attributes in order to select which attribute are should import.
- 4- Verify data quality issues.
- 5- Create wrapper table by joined three tables (business, loan, and loan applicant), however, the wrapper table named as (MST_ relation) and it's consist of ten attributes named:
 [NoIC],[Nama],[AccNo],[SIS_Id],[SIS_Desc],[Status],[Status_Id],[Sp],[Up d_Date],and[Tkh_Ekstrak].
- 6- Create virtual Tables.
- 7- Apply GODV approach.
- 8- Create virtual tables and virtual data marts based on GODV.

Pseudocode

```
Start
   1. Remove incorrect data like (Null data, out of rang data) if
      For all table row;
     If the row has null value then delete row
    End if
   2. Select the NoIC, Nama, AccNo, SIS Desc , SIS Id , Status,
   Status_Id, Sp , Upd_Date , and Tkh Ekstrak by Joining business,
   loan, and loan applicant. Group them if necessary Order them by
   if necessary'.
   if necessary'.

3. Create the wrapper table.
   End
CREATE VIEW [dbo].[v PerformanceCategoriesbyBusinessSector]
AS
                  COUNT(*) AS qty, LEFT(BUSNSS, 1) AS bussid, CASE WHEN
LEFT(BUSNSS, 1) = '1' THEN 'Argriculture'
                                                          WHEN
LEFT(BUSNSS, 1) = '2' THEN 'Manufacturing'
                            WHEN LEFT(BUSNSS, 1) = '3' THEN 'Wholesale'
                            WHEN LEFT(BUSNSS, 1) = '4' THEN 'Commerce'
                            WHEN LEFT(BUSNSS, 1) = '5' THEN 'Construction'
                            WHEN LEFT(BUSNSS, 1) = '6' THEN 'Services'
                            WHEN LEFT(BUSNSS, 1) = '7' THEN 'Others'
                            WHEN LEFT(BUSNSS, 1) = '8' THEN 'Transportation'
                                 LEFT(BUSNSS, 1) = '9'
                            WHEN
                                                           THEN 'Others
                                        END AS CATEGORIES
Services'
              dbo.BUSNINFO D
FROM
           (LEFT(BUSNSS, 1) NOT IN ('A', ''))
WHERE
```

```
Pseudocode Virtual Table 1 V1:
   Craete virtual table V1 as SELECT COUNT(*) AS count, SIS Desc
   FROM dbo.tbl MST Relation
   WHERE (SIS Desc NOT IN ('NULL', 'Blacklist', 'Komputer', 'Pendahuluan',
   'Pelajaran'))
   GROUP BY SIS Desc,
   Pseudocode Virtual Table 1 V2:
   Create virtual table V2 as SELECT COUNT(*) AS bil, LEFT(BUSNSS, 1) AS
   bussid,
   CASE WHEN LEFT(BUSNSS, 1) = '1' THEN 'Agriculture'
        WHEN LEFT(BUSNSS, 1) = '2' THEN 'Premises'
        WHEN LEFT(BUSNSS, 1) = '3' THEN 'Manufacturing'
        WHEN LEFT(BUSNSS, 1) = '4' THEN 'Commerce'
        WHEN LEFT(BUSNSS, 1) = '5' THEN 'Contractor'
        WHEN LEFT(BUSNSS, 1) = '6' THEN 'Services'
        WHEN LEFT(BUSNSS, 1) = '7' THEN 'Trading'
        WHEN LEFT(BUSNSS, 1) = '8' THEN 'Transportation'
        WHEN LEFT(BUSNSS, 1) = '9' THEN 'Other Services' END AS bussdesc
      FROM dbo.BUSNINFO D
      WHERE (LEFT(BUSNSS, 1) NOT IN ('A', '')) GROUP BY LEFT(BUSNSS, 1)
  Pseudocode Virtual Table 1 V3:
Create virtual table V3 as SELECT TOP (100) PERCENT dbo.LEDGER D.TRAN AMT * -
0.01 AS AMT_withPoint, LEFT(CAST(dbo.LEDGER_D.PROC_DTE AS CHAR(8)), 4) AS
Tahun, SUBSTRING(CAST(dbo.LEDGER_D.PROC_DTE AS CHAR(8)), 5, 2) AS Bulan,
dbo.LEDGER_D.TRN_CENT_CODE, dbo.LOAN_M.DAERAH AS pusat, dbo.LEDGER_D.[TRAN]
FROM dbo.LEDGER D LEFT OUTER JOIN
dbo.LOAN_M ON dbo.LEDGER_D.LOANEE# = dbo.LOAN_M.LOANEE#
WHERE (dbo.LEDGER D.[TRAN] = N'KA') OR
        (dbo.LEDGER D.[TRAN] = N'DA') OR
        (dbo.LEDGER D.[TRAN] = N'KB') OR
        (dbo.LEDGER_D.[TRAN] = N'DB') OR
        (dbo.LEDGER D.[TRAN] = N'KR') OR
        (dbo.LEDGER D.[TRAN] = N'DR')
ORDER BY bulan, tahun
```

Therefore, the Pseudocode to create virtual tables for this organization is:

GROUP BY LEFT(BUSNSS, 1)

(Education Sector)

The main procedure in Order to achieve this requirement:

- 1- Connect To the server
- 2- Connect to sources databases
- 3- Understand and analysis the all tables and attributes in order to select which attribute are should import.
- 4- Verify data quality issues.
- 5- Create wrapper table by joined three tables ['RAW DATA\$']
 INNER JOIN lec_Information INNER JOIN lec_Assessment ON
 lec_Information.Lecturer = lec_Assessment.Lecturer INNER JOIN
 lec_Resources ON lec_Assessment.Lecturer =
 lec_Resources.Lecturer INNER JOIN
 lec_Activities ON lec_Assessment.Lecturer =
 lec_Activities.Lecturer ON ['RAW DATA\$'].Lecturer =
 lec_Assessment.Lecturer.

CREATE VIEW [dbo].[WRAPPER_ ACCOUNTING] AS SELECT lec_Information.Lecturer,lec_Information.Lecturer_School,lec_Inform ation.Information, lec_Resources.Resources, lec_Activities.Activities, lec_Assessment.Assessment
FROM lec_Assessment INNER JOIN lec Activities INNER JOIN

lec_Resources INNER JOIN
lec_Information ON lec_Resources.Lecturer

= lec_Information.Lecturer ON lec_Activities.Lecturer =
lec_Information.Lecturer ON lec_Assessment.Lecturer =
lec_Information.Lecturer
GO

- 6- Create virtual Tables.
- 7- Apply GODV approach.
- 8- Create virtual tables and virtual data marts based on GODV.

In order to know the lecturer blended or not blended, we should calculate the assignment value, information, activities, and resources. It's difficult to calculate all in one SQL-statement. Therefore, as mentioned in Chapter 5, there are multi-level databases tables should be joined.

Pseudocode Virtual Table 1 V1:

CREATE VIEW [dbo].[FINAL] AS SELECT DISTINCT(TEST ACCOUNTING1.CourseShort), TEST6.Activities, TEST6.Assessment, TEST6.Resources, TEST6.Information,

TEST ACCOUNTING1.Lecturer

FROM TEST6 INNER JOIN

> TEST_ACCOUNTING1 ON TEST6.Lecturer =

TEST_ACCOUNTING1.Lecturer

Pseudocode Virtual Table 1 V2:

CREATE VIEW [dbo].[FINAL1] SELECT VIRTUAL_TABLE_LAST_RESULT1.IS_BLENDED, FINAL.CourseShort FINAL INNER JOIN VIRTUAL TABLE LAST RESULT1 ON FINAL.Lecturer = VIRTUAL TABLE LAST RESULT1.Lecturer G0

Pseudocode Virtual Table 1 V3:

[dbo].[virtual **SELECT** CREATE VIEW table- ACCOUNTING1] DISTINCT (TEST_ACCOUNTING.CourseFull), TEST_ACCOUNTING.Lecturer, TEST_ACCOUNTING.Lecturer_School, TEST6. Information, TEST6.Resources, TEST6.Assessment, TEST6.Activities FROM TEST ACCOUNTING INNER JOIN TEST_ACCOUNTING.Lecturer TEST6 ON Universiti Utara Malaysia

TEST6.Lecturer G0