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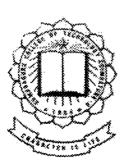
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Synopsis

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1.0. Introduction

1.1. About the Organization:

Allsec Technosoft Ltd. is a part of the Allsec group and is a global IT solutions provider offering professional services in Application Software Development, Business Solutions Consultancy, Enterprise-to-Web Solutions.

Allsec Technosoft has been in existence for the past 6 years offering a combination of software products and bespoke software applications across different vertical industries. The uniqueness about our offerings is the combination of domain experts in various fields, backed up by qualified technical personnel in different platforms. We firmly believe in offering end to end solutions for our customers. Adding value functionally and technically to our end customers is our ultimate objective. We are a process driven company and follow **CMM Level 3 standards**. Great emphasis is placed on timely delivery of quality software applications at cost effective rates.

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2.0. Background

2.1. System Requirements

2.1.1. Software Profile:

VISUAL BASIC 6.0:

Visual Basic is a powerful programming system for developing sophisticated graphical applications for Microsoft windows environment. Its productivity has been enhanced by addition of a complete set of tools to simplify rapid application development.

Visual Basic 6.0 introduces us to the new world of active technology, a unique way to harness the Internet. Visual Basic offers many silent features to aid in the development of full-featured applications including.

- Data access functionality allows creation of front-end applications the can work on most of the popular databases systems.
- Active TM technology allows usage of the functionality provided by other applications, such as Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel, and other Windows applications and their possible development on the web.
- Applications developed using Visual Basic provides a true EXE file that uses a runtime Dynamic-Link Library (DLL) which can be freely distributed.
- Calling powerful API functions available in Visual Basic optimizes application performance.



ACCESSING DATABASES:

Visual Basic provides a set of tools created and use structured database systems to manage application data. These tools are Microsoft Jet Database Engine, the Data Control and the Data Access Objects (DAO) programming interface. Visual Basic provides Jet Database, version 3.5 for 32-bit programming. The Data Control and Data Access Objects are the interfaces used to connect to the Jet Database Engine.

ADO (ActiveX Data Objects):

ActiveX Data Objects also called as universal data objects .VB 6.0 supports wide range of ADO. Since Objects are ActiveX based, they work across different platforms and programming languages unlike data control works strictly in the VB environment. The most importance of ADO is its capability tom access many kinds of data .Not limited to just relational and non-relational database

MS SQL Server:

Client/Server Architecture:

Microsoft SQL Server is designed to work effectively in a number of environments:

- As a two-tier or multitier client/server database system
- As a desktop database system

Client/Server Database Systems:

 Client/server systems are constructed so that the database can reside on a central computer, known as a server, and are shared among several users.
 Users access the server through a client or server application.

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 In a two-tier client/server system, users run an application on their local computer, known as a client that connects over a network to the server running SQL Server. The client application runs both business logic and the code to display output to the user, and is also known as a thick client.

In a multitier client/server system, the client application logic is run in two locations:

- The thin client is run on the user's local computer and is focused on displaying results to the user
- The business logic is located in server applications running on a server. Thin clients request functions from the server application, which is itself a multithreaded application capable of working with many concurrent users. The server application is the one that opens connections to the database server and can be running on the same server as the database, or it can connect across the network to a separate server operating as a database server.
- This is a typical scenario for an Internet application. For example, a server application can run on a Microsoft Internet Information Services (IIS) and service thousands of thin clients running on the Internet or an intranct. The server application uses a pool of connections to communicate with a copy of SQL Server. SQL Server can be installed on the same computer as IIS, or it can be installed on a separate server in the network.

Having data stored and managed in a central location offers several advantages:

Each data item is stored in a central location where all users can work with it.

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- Separate copies of the item are not stored on each client, which eliminates
 problems with users having to ensure they are all working with the same
 information.
- Business and security rules can be defined one time on the server and enforced equally among all users.
- This can be done in a database through the use of constraints, stored procedures, and triggers. It can also be done in a server application.
- A relational database server optimizes network traffic by returning only the data an application needs.

ORACLE:

Oracle is an Object Relational Database Management System (ORDBMS). It offers capabilities of both relational and object-oriented database systems. In general, objects can be defined as reusable software codes, which are location independent and perform a specific task on any application environment with little or no change to the code.

Oracle products are based on Client/Server Technology. This concept involves segregating the processing of an application between two systems. The Client or front end database application also interacts with the database by requesting and receiving information from the database server.

Oracle uses the Internet File System, which is a Java based application, which enables the database to become an Internet development platform. The data stored in the database can be used for building HTML web pages. Oracle also provides support for building Java application by offering a new version of Jdeveloper. Corba 2.0 complaint Object Request Broker (ORB) that provides users with ability to call in and out of the object sever using Corba's HOP, which is also integrated with Oracle.

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2.1.2. Hardware Requirements:

Minimum Requirement:

- 128 MB RAM
- Processor P-II
- 20 GB HDD



3.0. System Description

3.1. System Study and Analysis

3.1.1. Purpose:

The purpose of this document is to understand the modules in ADHOC Query. The modules included in the product have been listed along with a detailed description of functions involved in each module.

3.1.2. Scope:

The scope of this project is to provide a user-friendly interface for creating query, migrating data, to provide rights, writing SQL statement and overall to make the work easy for the user.

3.2. Modules:

Modules	Sub-modules
Query Generator	Query Wizard
	Query Debugger
DTS	> Databases
	Text Formats
	> Spreadsheets
Helpdesk	Query Help
	> DTS Help
Security	> Backups
	Access Rights



3.2.1. Definitions, Acronyms and Abbreviations:

DTS	Data Transformation Services
Admin	Administrator

3.2.2. References:

- ✓ VB 6.0 Black Book & www.microsoft.com
- ✓ Software Engineering A practitioner's Approach

By Roger Pressman

- ✓ Oracle 9i, by Nancy Greenberg
- ✓ SOL Server Books Online Help
- ✓ SQL Server books, by Fernando G. Guerrero

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3.2.4. General Description:

Products Perspective

- Dynamic Query Generation.
- Automatic datatype conversion during data migration.
- User-friendly interface for writing SQL statements.
- Help provides a comprehensive report for using the product.

Products Functions

- Query Wizard
 - Oracle
 - MS SQL
- Query Debugger
 - Oracle
 - MS SQL
- DTS
 - Database
 - ✓ Oracle to Oracle
 - ✓ Oracle to SQL
 - ✓ SQL to SQL
 - ✓ SQL to Oracle
 - File
 - ✓ Oracle to File
 - ✓ File to Oracle
 - ✓ SQL to File
 - ✓ File to SQL
 - Spreadsheets
 - ✓ Oracle to Excel
 - ✓ Excel to Oracle
 - ✓ SQL to Excel
 - ✓ Excel to SQL

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- Access Rights
 - Oracle Access Rights
- SQL Server Access Rights
- Backups and Recovery
 - Oracle Backups and Recovery
 - SQL Server Backups and Recovery
- Help Desk
 - Query Help
 - DTS Help

User Characteristics

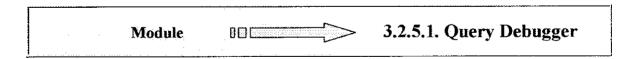
The user should be able to operate a computer under the Windows operating system.

General Constraints

Some of the constraints when using the application can be listed below

- ✓ The Application can be used with minimum 96 MB RAM.
- ✓ The Application uses SQL server and Oracle as database.

3.2.5. Overview of Modules:



Module Functions

Functions List

The following are the functions provided by this module

- > Oracle Query Debugger
- > SQL Sever Query Debugger

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Oracle Query Debugger

Functional Requirements

This function is used to collect SQL statement, keywords and etc. This is used to build the SQL statement easily for the user.

Description

The function is described as a step by step procedure given below: -

- The user selects the type of provider, corresponding user id and password. Here
 the OLE DB provider for Oracle is selected.
- 2. The user provides the keyword like create, alter, update etc. The property list is displayed depending upon the user's keyword. For example, if the user had typed create then the property list consists of table, view, sequence etc.
- 3. Now, the user can select the keyword from the list for his SQL statement. Again for example, if the user has selected table, then the system asks for the table name followed by the field names, its datatype and size.
- 4. The user now can set the constraints for the table like primary key, not null, foreign key, etc. Finally the SQL statement is built and user can compile it with the compile option stated in Query Debugger.
- 5. The user can save the SQL statement using the save option. The SQL statement is saved in a file with .txt extension and also be retrieved whenever needed by the user using the open option.

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Inputs

The following are the inputs of this function: -

- ✓ Provider, Login Id, Password.
- ✓ Keywords, Property List Data.
- ✓ Save filename, path.

Outputs

The SQL statement is generated as per the user requirements.

Process Validations

- ✓ Login validations
- ✓ Checking Properties data.

SQL Server Query Debugger

Functional Requirements

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Description

The function is described as a step by step procedure given below: -

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Module



3.2.5.2 Backups & Recovery

Module Functions

Functions List

The following are the functions provided by this module

- Oracle Backups & Recovery
- SQL Backups & Recovery

Oracle Backups & Recovery

Functional Requirements

This function is used to collect Table Information, Backup details. This is used to take backups and recover them whenever needed

Description

The function is described as a step by step procedure given below: -

- The user selects the type of provider, corresponding user id and password.
 Here the OLE DB provider for Oracle is selected.
- 2. The user selects table for the backup. If recovery, then the user is allowed to locate the backup file.
- 3. In Backup, the system asks for the location of the backup file. In Recovery, the system asks for the destination table, database and other details.

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Inputs

The following are the inputs of this function: -

- ✓ Provider, Login Id, Password.
- ✓ Table names.
- ✓ Save filename, path.

Outputs

The backup is taken for the selected tables and also recovered from the file when needed.

Process Validations

- ✓ Login validations.
- ✓ Checking restoring file.

SQL Server Backups & Recovery

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- ✓ Table names.
- ✓ Save filename, path.

Outputs

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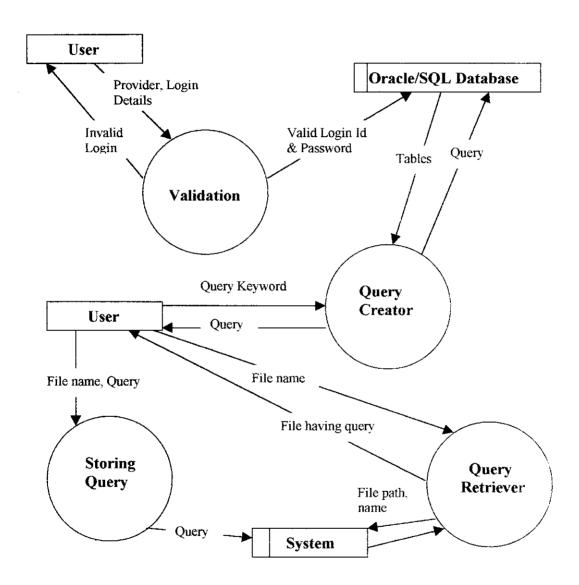
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4.0. Data Flow Diagram

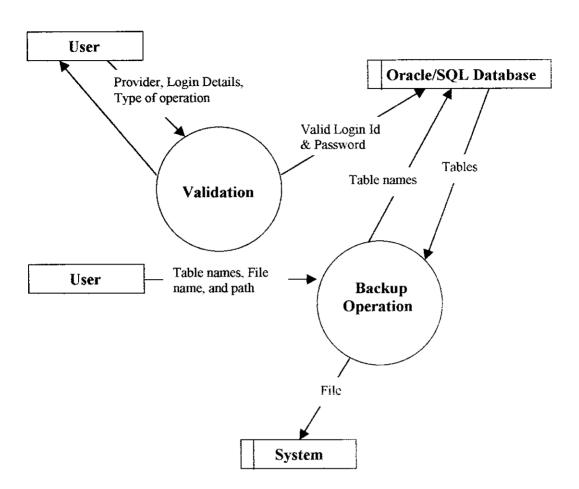
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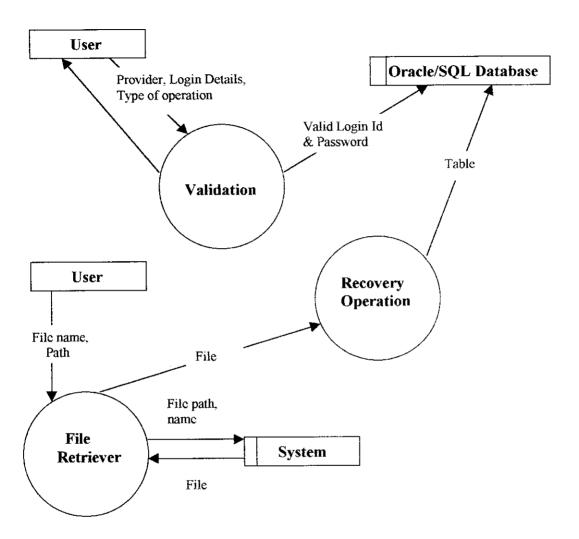
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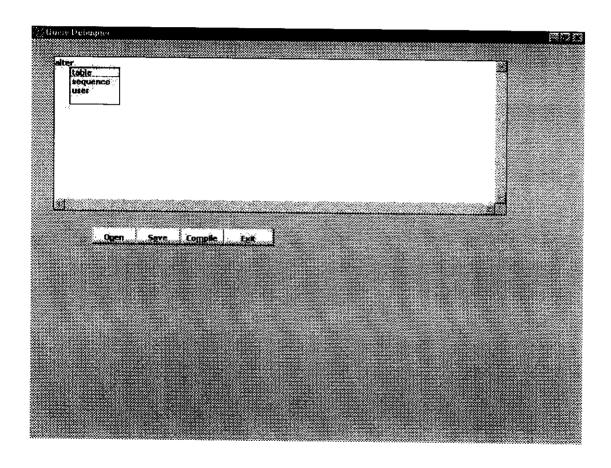
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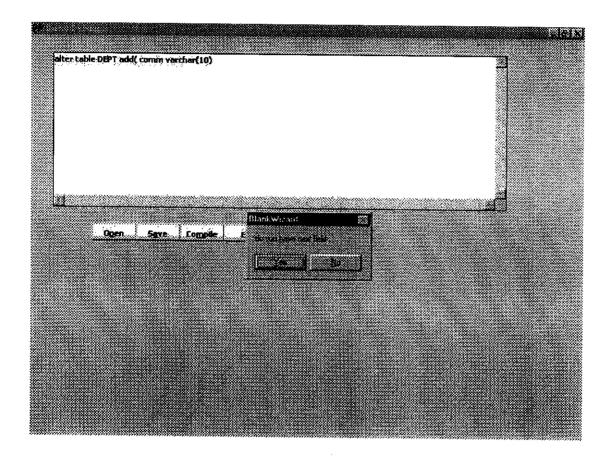


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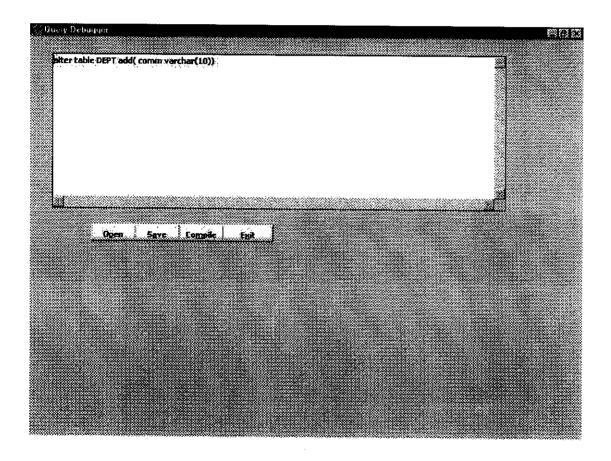


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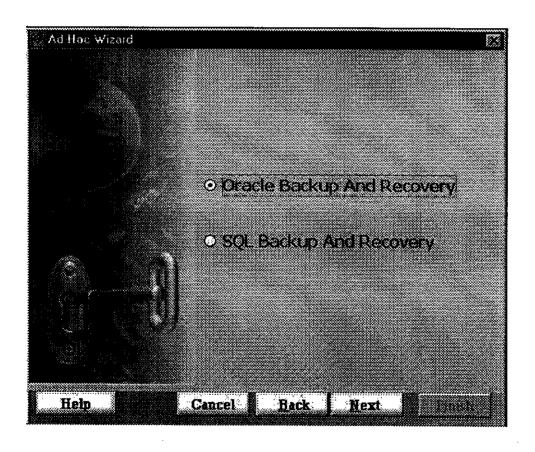








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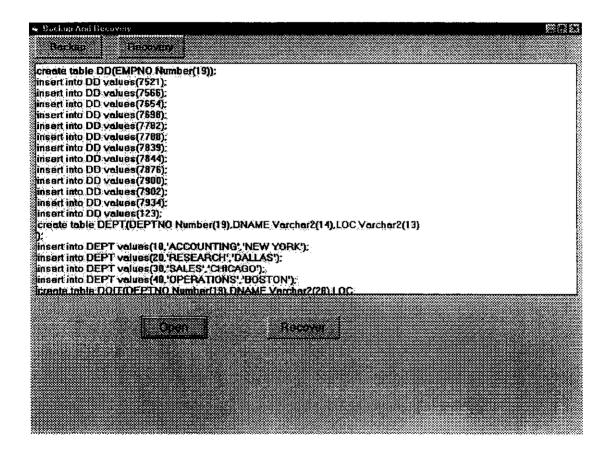


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6.0 System Testing And Implementation

6.1. Testing

Testing is an important phase in development in software development and application development in the world wide web. Testing will lead the error free application to the client. For this Automating Resources Time Scheduling there is a need of six types of testing.

- ✓ They are
- ✓ Unit Testing
- ✓ Validation Testing
- ✓ Integration Testing
- ✓ Output Testing
- ✓ Acceptance Testing
- ✓ User Acceptance Testing

6.1.1. Unit Testing:

Unit testing comprises the set of tests performed by an individual programmer prior to the integration of the unit into the large system. A program unit is usually small enough that the programmer who developed the unit can test it. Then the unit is integrated into the large part of the system. Unit testing is always white-box oriented and the step can be conducted in parallel for modules.

6.1.2. Validation Testing:

Software testing and validation is achieved through a series of black box tests that demonstrate conformity with the requirement. A test plan outlines the classes to test to be conducted and a test procedure defines specific test cases that will be used to demonstrate conformity with the requirements.

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Both, the planned the procedures are designed to ensure that all functional requirements are achieved, documentation is correct and other requirements are met. After each validation test case has been conducted, one of the two possible conditions exists. They are the function or performance characteristics conform to the specification and are accepted.

A deviation from specification is uncovered and a deficiency list is created. This project is validated under different test conditions. The requirements as per the specification are met.

6.1.3. Integration Testing:

Bottom-up integration is the traditional strategy to integrate the components of the software system into the functional unit. Bottom-up integration consists of unit testing of the entire system.

Modules are tested in isolation from one another in an artificial environment, known as a "test hareness", which consist of the driver programs and data necessary to exercise the modules.

Moreover Integration testing addresses the issues associated with the dual problem of verification and program construction. After the appplication has been integrated a set of high-order tests were conducted.

6.1.4. Output Testing:

The outputs are thoroughly tested by giving sample data, for which results are known. The outputs from the system are matched with that of the known values and the results are found to be accurate.

6.1.5. Acceptance Testing:

Acceptance testing involves planning and execution of functional tests, performance tests, and stress tests in order to demonstrate that the implemented system satisfies its requirements.

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In addition to the functional performance tests, stress tests are performed to determine the limitations of the system. Tools of special importance during acceptance testing include a test coversge analyzer, a timing analyzer and a coding standard checker. Testing is the process of executing test cases with the intension of exposing the errors.

6.2 System Implementation:

Implementation is the stage where the thoeratical design is converted into working system. It consist of

- ✓ Testing and Debugging
- ✓ Error Correction
- ✓ Training the user
- ✓ Change over

Implementation includes equipments installation and user training. For the system to begin operation, a sufficient number of users have been trained to the system. Several hours were sheduled for a number of users so that they were able to fully understand the new system and had an opportunity to familiarize themselves with the various input screens and the generation of output.

The change over is another important aspect of the implementation process and had to be handled carefully. The existing system is changed to the new system and the system is found to meet its objectives. Data from the previous system, static contend, is ported to the new system and the result produced are compared with that of the previous system. The new system is found to satisfy the user needs.

It allows the result to the new system to be compared with the old system before acceptance by the user, there by promoting the user confidence.

Conclusion

The project **ADHOC Query** was successfully designed and developed for the client for their Database activities. It has helped in understanding practical problems in real life situation.

The application is very user-friendly and after successful testing and implementation the feed back was taken from the client users that it works efficiently and the application was fruitful.

The application does not include operations on PL/SQL and can be enhanced as per the user's requirements.

Thus I conclude that this project has been developed successfully satisfying the requirements put forth.

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