

Types of Information Systems:

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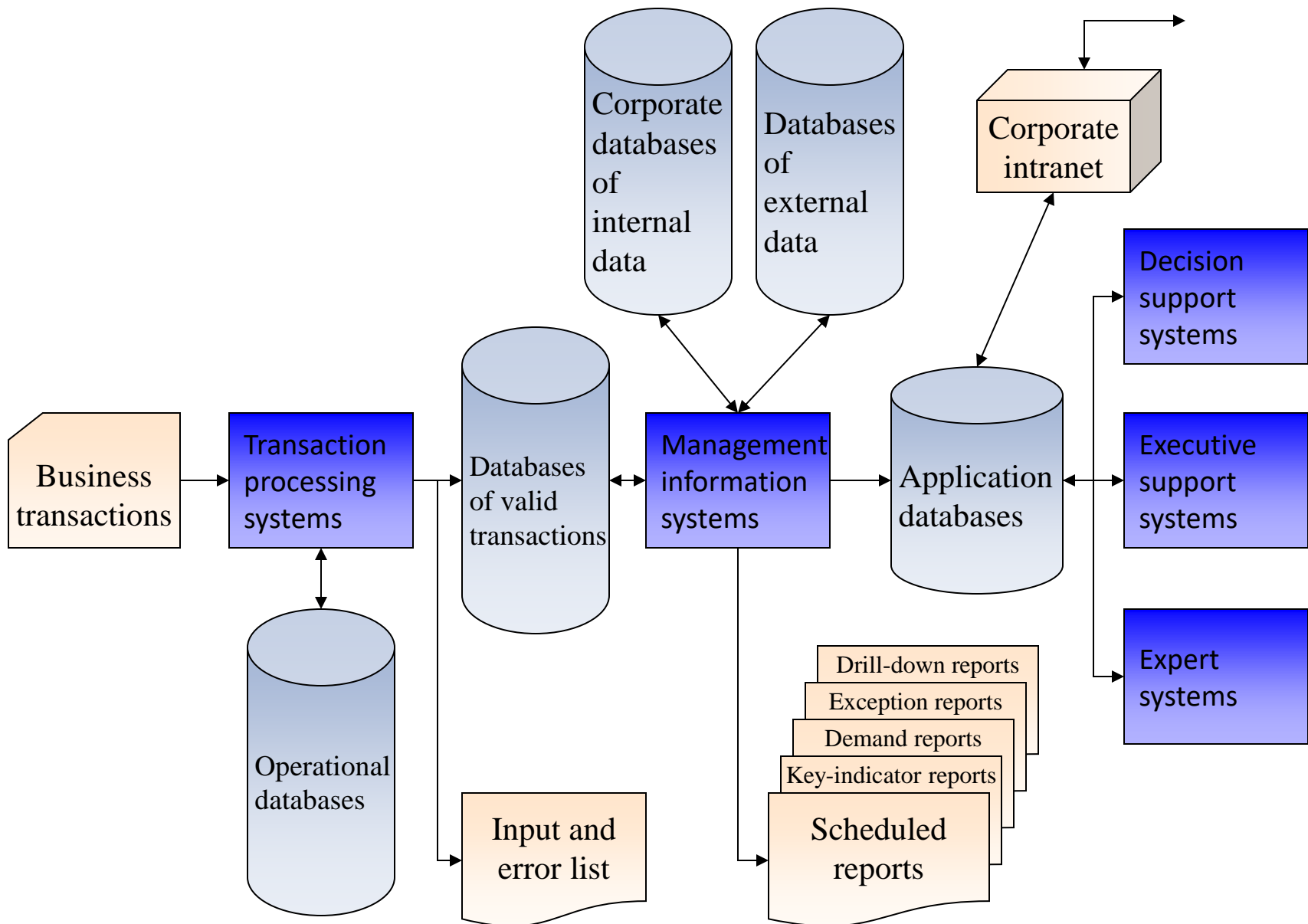
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Types of Information Systems:

- Typical businesses and organizations have the following types of Information Systems, each system supporting a different organizational level.
- ✓ Transaction processing systems (TPS)
- ✓ Management information systems (MIS)
- ✓ Decision support systems (DSS)
- ✓ Executive support system (ESS)
- ✓ Expert systems (ES)
- ✓ Office automation systems (OAS)
- ✓ Knowledge management systems (KMSs)
- ✓ Enterprise Computing Systems

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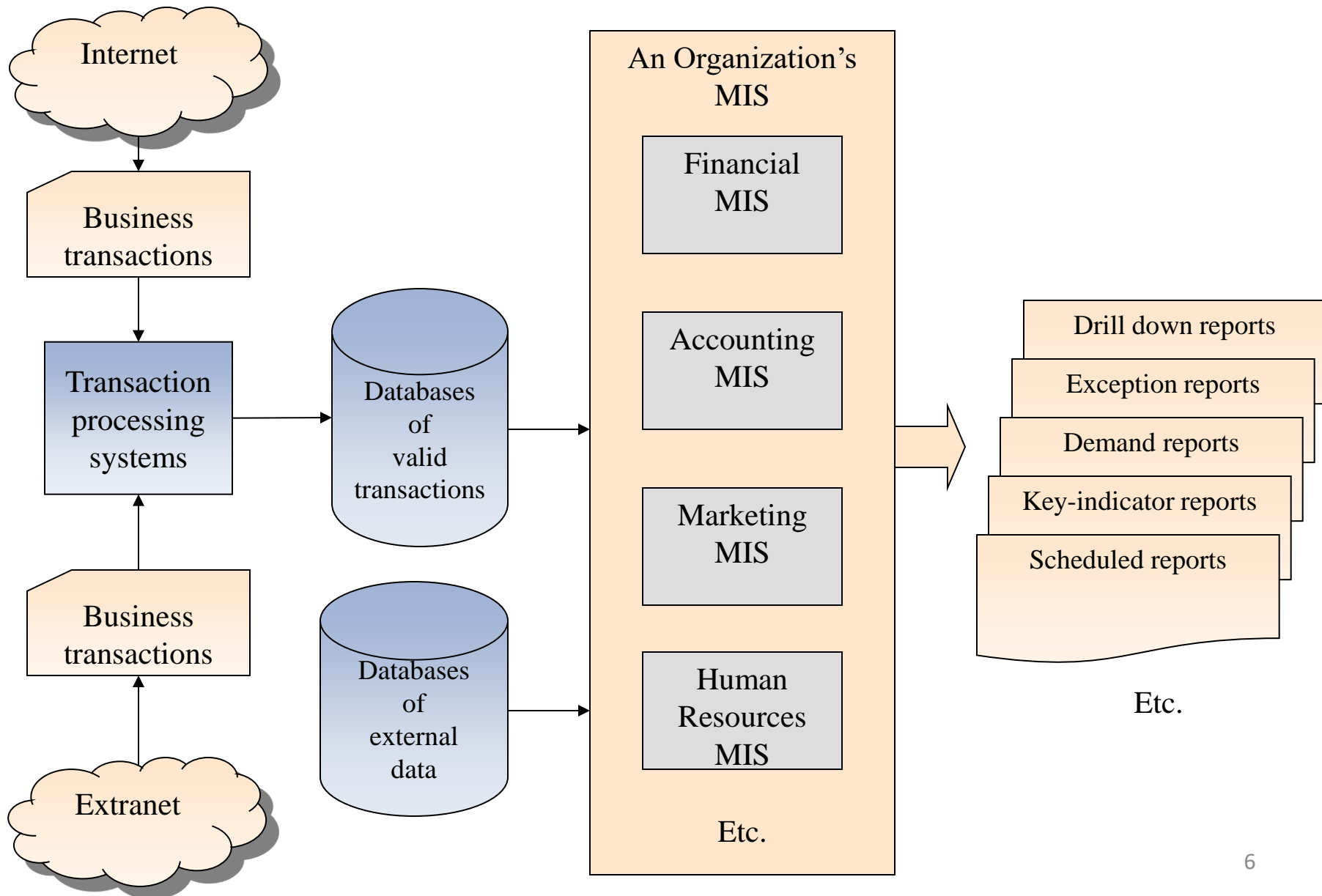
- TPS automates routine and repetitive tasks that are critical to the operation of the organization, such as preparing a payroll, billing customers, Point-of-Sale, Warehouse operations etc.
- They are designed to process routine transactions efficiently and accurately.
- They process a large volume of routine, recurring transactions.
- TPS systems are used to deal with such tasks as employee record keeping, payroll, customer billing, hotel reservation etc.
- It serves the operational level of the organization.
- Data collected from this operation supports the MIS and DSS systems employed by Middle Level Management.

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Management information system (MIS):

- Management Information Systems help managers make effective decisions to support ongoing operations within an organization.
- It is an information system which process data and converts it into information.
- A MIS depend on TPS for their data inputs.
- It summarizes and reports on the company's basic operations.
- Mostly for middle-level managers.
- It has some functional business areas: Marketing, Production, Human resources, Finance Accounting etc.
- MIS usually serve managers interest in weekly, monthly and yearly results not day to day activities.

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Decision support system (DSS):

- DSS are specifically designed to help management make decisions in situations where there is uncertainty about the possible outcomes of those decisions.
- Used when problem is complex and information needed to determine appropriate action is difficult to obtain.
- The DSS is an information system that assist managers in making better decisions by using historical and current data from internal Information Systems and external sources.
- They help managers with the necessary information to make intelligent decisions.
- Decision support systems are designed primarily to serve management control level and strategic planning level managers.
- DSS combines massive amounts of data with sophisticated analytical models and tools to provide a much better source of information to use in the decision making process.
- DSS have more analytical power than other systems.
- It is an interactive system in which user can change assumptions, ask new questions and include new data.

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Executive support system (ESS):

- Also called Executive Information System (EIS).
- Executive support system (ESS) provide a variety of internal and external information to top managers in a highly summarized and convenient form.
- An ESS is designed to cater for the information needs of Chief Executive Officers (CEOs).
- They help an executive spot a problem, an opportunity, or a trend.
- They filter, compress and track critical data, emphasizing the reduction of time and effort required to obtain information useful to executives.
- ESS employs the most advanced graphic software and can deliver graphs and data from many sources immediately to a senior executive's office or to a board room.

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Expert system (ES):

- Expert systems are meant to mimic humans in making decisions in a specific field.
- They give the computer ability to make suggestions and function like an expert in a particular field.
- It is a knowledge based information system that uses its knowledge about a specific, complex application area to act as an expert.
- These systems incorporate expertise in order to aid managers in diagnosing problems or in problem solving.
- This system is one of the knowledge based information systems.
- Expert systems find application in diverse areas, ranging from medical, engineering, agriculture, business etc.

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Office automation system (OAS):

- Office automation refers to the application of computer and communication technology to office functions.
- Help to improve the productivity of employees who need to process data and information.
- These systems include a wide range of support facilities, which include word processing, electronic mail, data storage, data and voice communication etc.
- They support typical office work, e.g. letter writing, mailing, messaging, conferencing etc.
- Wide range of software systems exist to improve the productivity of employees working in an office e.g. Microsoft Office.

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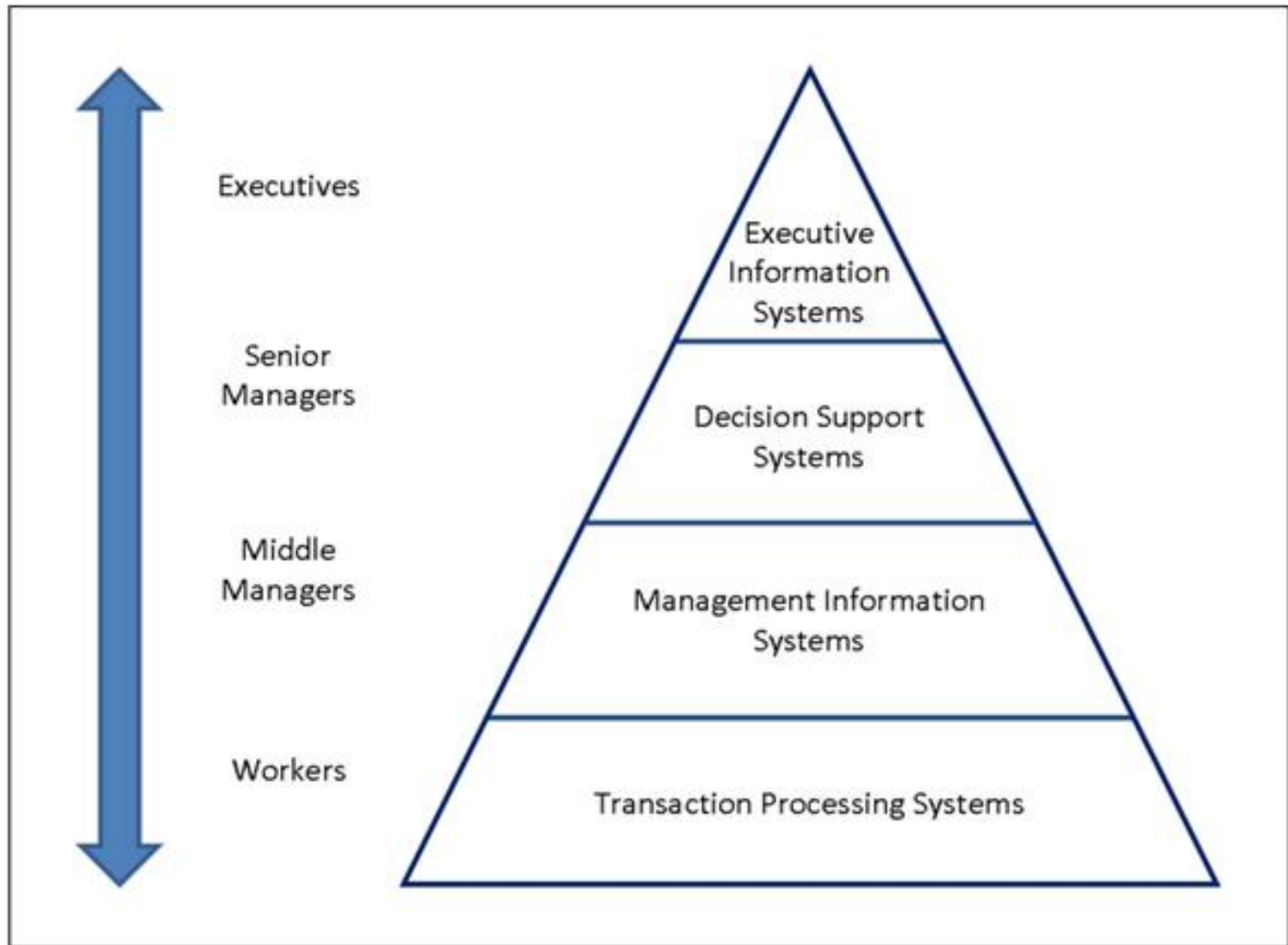
Knowledge management systems (KMSs):

- System that supports the creation, capture, and storage of knowledge in the organization.
- KMS help businesses create and share knowledge.
- They are typically used in a business where employees create new knowledge and expertise - which can then be shared by other people in the organization to create further commercial opportunities.

Enterprise Computing Systems:

- Information systems that support company-wide operations and data management requirements e.g enterprise resource planning (ERP) systems that provide cost-effective support for users and managers throughout the company.

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