High Level Design (HLD)

NBA Data Analysis

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Abstract

The discussion is targeted towards understanding the statistical analysis associated with the determination of draft pick success in the National Basketball Association. The three methodologies in question are Player Efficiency Rating and standard statistical categories, through the discussion of these three separate methods, the research aims to give a holistic assessment of which study is the most likely to predict a player's success post-draft. Through the paper, the ideas presented before, during, and after research are discussed with an emphasis on educating the reader on the field of predictive analytics and the role it plays in sports business. In its conclusion, the paper summarizes not that one methodology is superior to the others, but that the most conclusive method is one where all three approaches are analyzed and combined.

1 Introduction

1.1 Why this High-Level Design Document?

The purpose of this High-Level Design (HLD) Document is to add the necessary detail to the current project description to represent a suitable model for coding. This document is also intended to help detect contradictions prior to coding and can be used as a reference manual for how the modules interact at a high level.

The HLD will:

- Present all of the design aspects and define them in detail
- Describe the user interface being implemented
- Describe the hardware and software interfaces
- Describe the performance requirements
- Include design features and the architecture of the project
- List and describe the non-functional attributes like:
    - Security
    - Reliability
    - Maintainability
    - Portability
    - Reusability
    - Application compatibility
    - Resource utilization
    - Serviceability

1.2 Scope

The HLD documentation presents the structure of the system, such as the database architecture, application architecture (layers), application flow (Navigation), and technology architecture. The HLD uses non-technical to mildly technical terms which should be understandable to the administrators of the system.

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2 General Description

2.1 NBA DRAFT PICK DATE

The **NBA draft** happens every year in June. It is where teams in the National Basketball Association (NBA) choose players who have never played in the NBA before. If a team chooses a player, that player cannot sign a contract to play for any teams other than that team.

2.2 Tools used

Business Intelligence tools SQl, Excel & Power BI are used to build the whole framework.

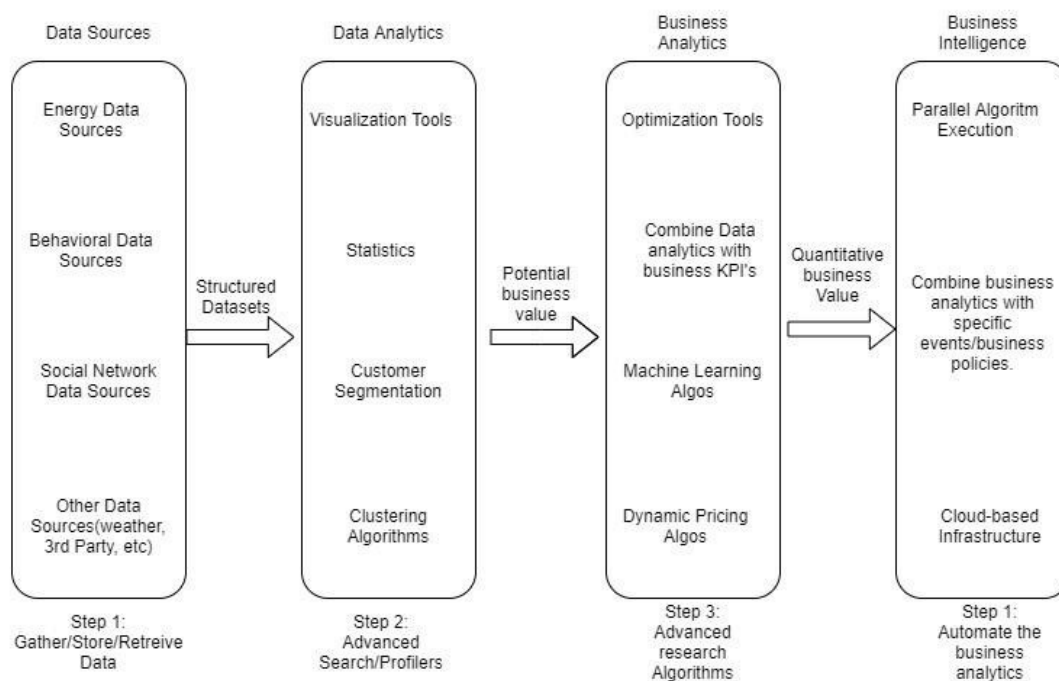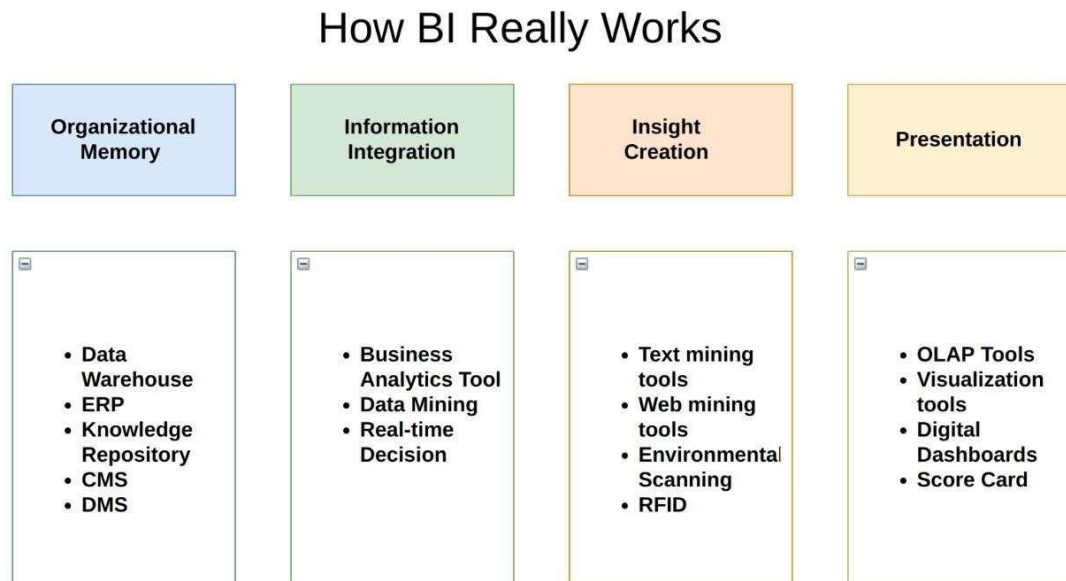Power BI

Excel

3 Design Details
3.1 Functional Architecture

Figure 1: Functional Architecture of Business Intelligence

How BI Really Works

Organizational Memory	Information Integration	Insight Creation	Presentation
• Data Warehouse • ERP • Knowledge Repository • CMS • DMS	• Business Analytics Tool • Data Mining • Real-time Decision	• Text mining tools • Web mining tools • Environmental Scanning • RFID	• OLAP Tools • Visualization tools • Digital Dashboards • Score Card

3.2 Optimization

Your data strategy drives performance

- Minimize the number of fields
- Minimize the number of records
- Optimize extracts to speed up future queries by materializing calculations, removing columns and the use of accelerated views

Reduce the marks (data points) in your view

- Practice guided analytics. There's no need to fit everything you plan to show in a single view. Compile related views and connect them with action filters to travel from overview to highly granular views at the speed of thought.
- Remove unneeded dimensions from the detail shelf.
- Explore. Try displaying your data in different types of views.

Limit your filters by number and type

- Reduce the number of filters in use. Excessive filters on a view will create a more complex query, which takes longer to return results. Double-check your filters and remove any that aren't necessary.

- Use an include filter. Exclude filters load the entire domain of a dimension, while include filters do not. An include filter runs much faster than an exclude filter, especially for dimensions with many members.

- Use a continuous date filter. Continuous date filters (relative and range-of-date filters) can take advantage of the indexing properties in your database and are faster than discrete date filters.

- Use Boolean or numeric filters. Computers process integers and Booleans (t/f) much faster than strings.

- Use parameters and action filters. These reduce the query load (and work across data sources).

Optimize and materialize your calculations •

Perform calculations in the database •

- Reduce the number of nested calculations.

- Reduce the granularity of LOD or table calculations in the view. The more granular the calculation, the longer it takes.
    - LODs - Look at the number of unique dimension members in the calculation.
  - Table Calculations - the more marks in the view, the longer it will take to calculate.

- Where possible, use MIN or MAX instead of AVG. AVG requires more processing than MIN or MAX. Often rows will be duplicated and display the same result with MIN, MAX, or AVG.

- Make groups with calculations. Like include filters, calculated groups load only named members of the domain, whereas Tableau's group function loads the entire domain.

- Use Booleans or numeric calculations instead of string calculations. Computers can process integers and Booleans (t/f) much faster than strings.
Boolean>Int>Float>Date>DateTime>String

4 KPIs

Reports will be created to display and indicate certain KPIs and relevant indicators for analysis.

4.1 KPIs (Key Performance Indicators)

Key performance indicators display a summary of the Total Draft Picks and its relationship with different variables.

1. I Impact of Time of the year on Draft Picks
2. Impact of Player Name on Draft Picks

3. Impact of Player on Agility and Sprint
4. Top performing Player with respect to Draft Picks, Wingspan and Vertical Max Reach

5 Deployment

Prioritizing data and analytics couldn't come at a better time. Your company, no matter what size, is already collecting data and most likely analyzing just a portion of it to solve business problems, gain competitive advantages, and drive enterprise transformation. With the explosive growth of enterprise data, database technologies, and the high demand for analytical skills, today's most effective IT organizations have shifted their focus to enabling self-service by deploying and operating Power BI at scale, as well as organizing, orchestrating, and unifying disparate sources of data for business users and experts alike to author and consume content. Power BI prioritizes choice in flexibility to fit, rather than dictate, your enterprise architecture. Tableau Server and Tableau Online leverage your existing technology investments and integrate into your IT infrastructure to provide a self-service, modern analytics platform for your users. With on-premises, cloud, and hosted options, there is a version of Tableau to match your requirements.