

Hardware Sales and Servicing Information System

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1. INTRODUCTION

This project is concerned to develop a business application for "Coastal Computers" dealers of Zenith Computers in Guntur Dist. in Andhra Pradesh. The company is mainly concerned with selling the Zenith systems and servicing of customers in both hardware and software problems. The company will require more manpower to maintain financial transactions, sales transactions etc.

The main aim of this project is to automate the manual processing in the stock maintenance, financial transactions, and employee transactions etc. If these are done manually, it consumes large amount of time, scope for errors, and cost of maintenance is also very high. So, in order to reduce all these disadvantages we developed a business application for the concerned company. The application will generate reports for the order status and service call status in order to place purchase orders and assigns duties to the employees for attending the service call. Automation will be helpful in maintaining the accounts accurate and up-to-date.

The objective of this project is to automate the Computer Systems dealer transactions as a whole. This application should eliminate the burden on accountant and should also eliminate the delays and arithmetic errors more importantly. This application should provide the following features to the users.

Planning employee responsibilities and specifying employee targets is no more difficult. A faster way to produce employee performance reports and to maintain their daily reports. Now formal communications between organization and customers is easy in the form of automated document generations and printings. Maintaining daily expenses and generating monthly reports is not a tedious job. Generating financial reports like pending bills, monthly income and turn over is faster and automatic.

The main objective of this project is to automate the information processing of hardware sales and servicing of an authorized dealer of 'Zenith computers'. As business volume increased it is difficult to process the information fast to serve the customers in good manner. We aimed in developing this package to make the information processing easy and fast.

In the perspective of the user, the package must have an easily operable graphical user interface. To satisfy the user, we aimed to give online support such as entry wise help, form wise help and also off line help. Finally we want to design this package such that anyone can use it without any manual training. The outcome of any business application is a well-defined set of reports. We aimed to extract an useful set of reports by processing the input data.

The objectives also include the following business requirements from the client.

Automated enquiry tracking sub system.

An efficient and fast quotation preparation.

A flexible order information processing.

An efficient 'service request' handling sub system.

An accurate financial sub system to handle income and expenses calculation and to generate financial reports.

A good planner to serve the customers.

2. DESIGN PRINCIPLES & EXPLANATION

2.1. MODULES

Well-structured designs improve the maintainability of a system. A structured system is one that is developed from the top down and modular, that is, broken down into manageable components. In this project we modularized the system so that they have minimal effect on each other.

2.2. MODULE DESCRIPTION

Sales Module: This module is intended to implement all the transactions related to the sales of computers. This involves different sub modules like enquiry tracking, quotation preparing and order booking.

Servicing Module: This module is designed such that to handle all the transactions related to service calls. This module is sub divided into 'AMC' service calls handling and temporary service calls handling sub systems.

Financial Module: This module handles all the financial related transactions like ledgers, credits and debits. It also handles employee expenses and other expenses.

Reports Module:

The reports module generates reports related to all the above modules. These reports include financial reports, sales reports and servicing reports.

Reports:

The reports generated in project depict the up to date information about the current status of various records. The various types of reports that will be generated in this project are as mentioned below.

Financial Reports: These reports give all the general information of daily financial transactions in the organization daily, weekly and monthly reports in an efficient and simple manner.

Sales Reports:

These reports give an important extract from the data, which will help to take decisions to improve the sales. These reports are enquiry reports, quotation reports and order reports.

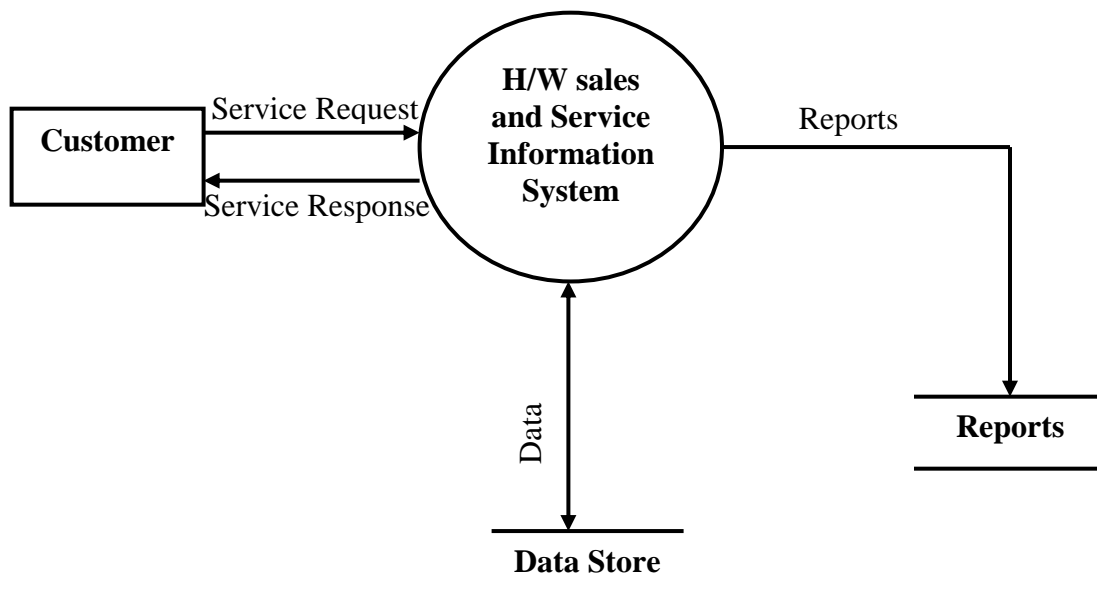
Servicing Reports:

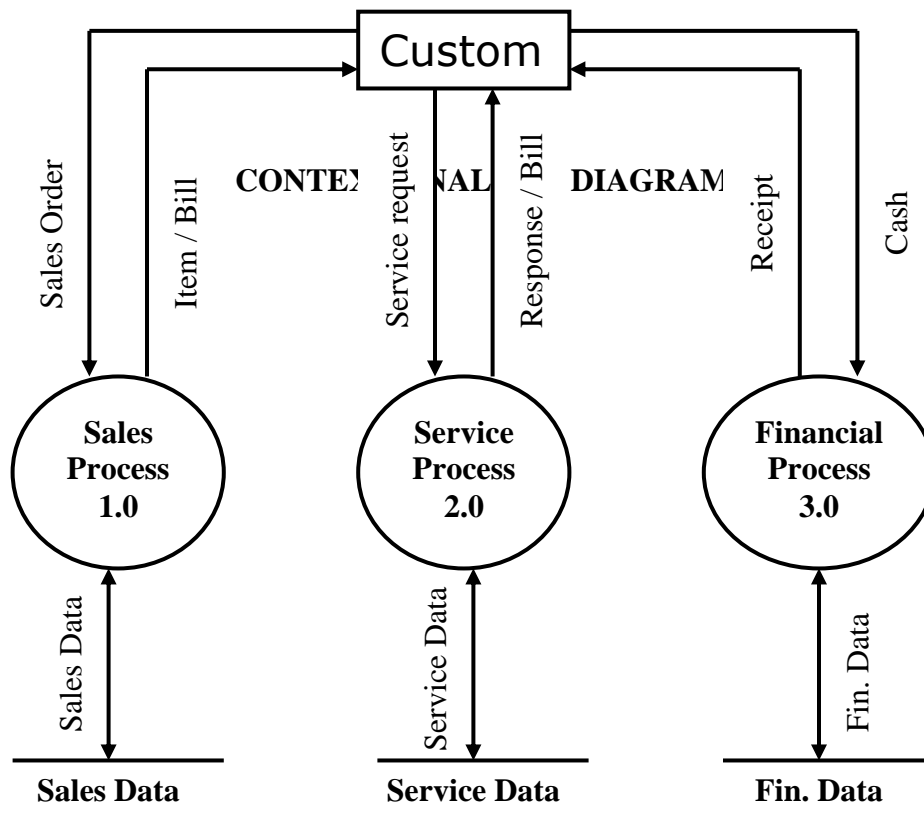
These reports give the details of calls served according to given time period. Using these reports one can plan their calls to attend in an easy manner.

3. PROJECT DICTIONARY

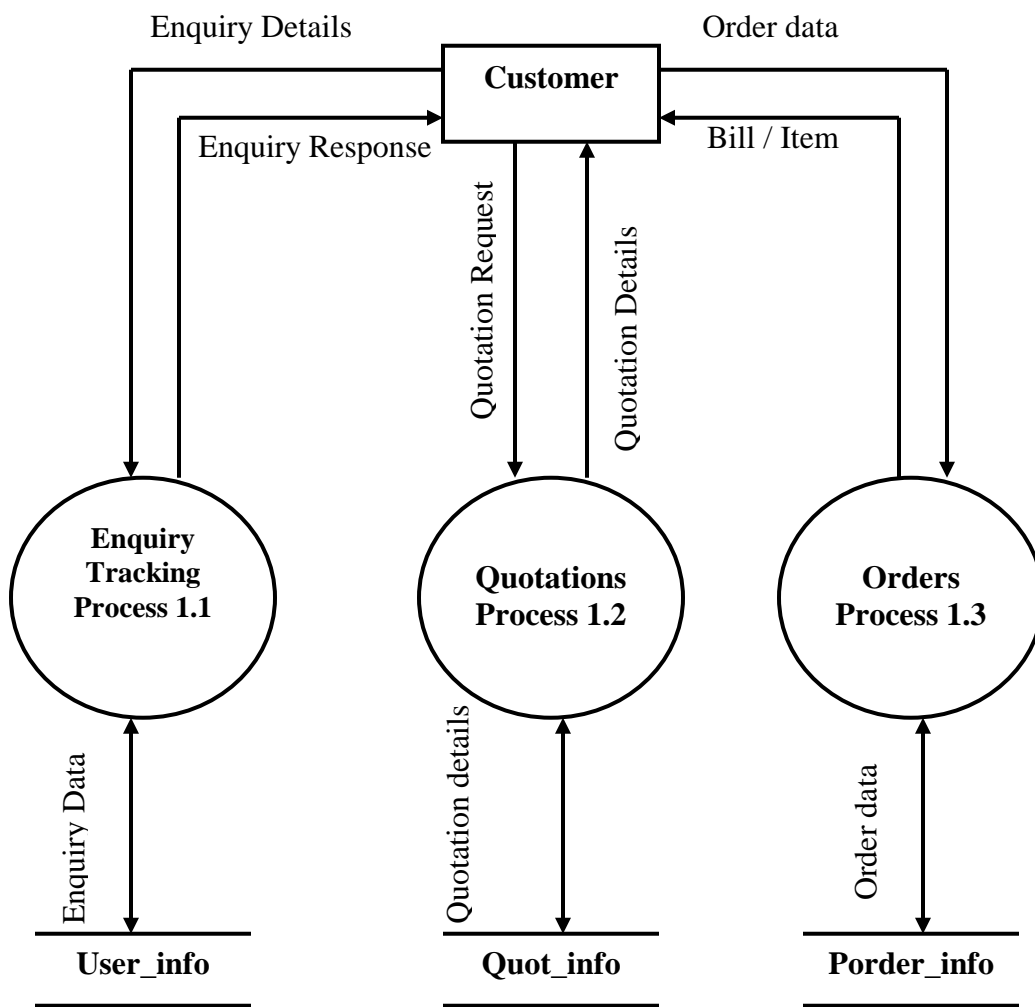
3.1. DATAFLOW DIAGRAMS

A graphic tool used to describe and analyze the moment of data through a system – manual or automated – including the processes, stores of data, and delays in the system. Data flow diagrams are the central tools and the basis from which other components are developed. The transformation of data from input to output, through processes, may be described logically and independently of the physical components associated with the system.

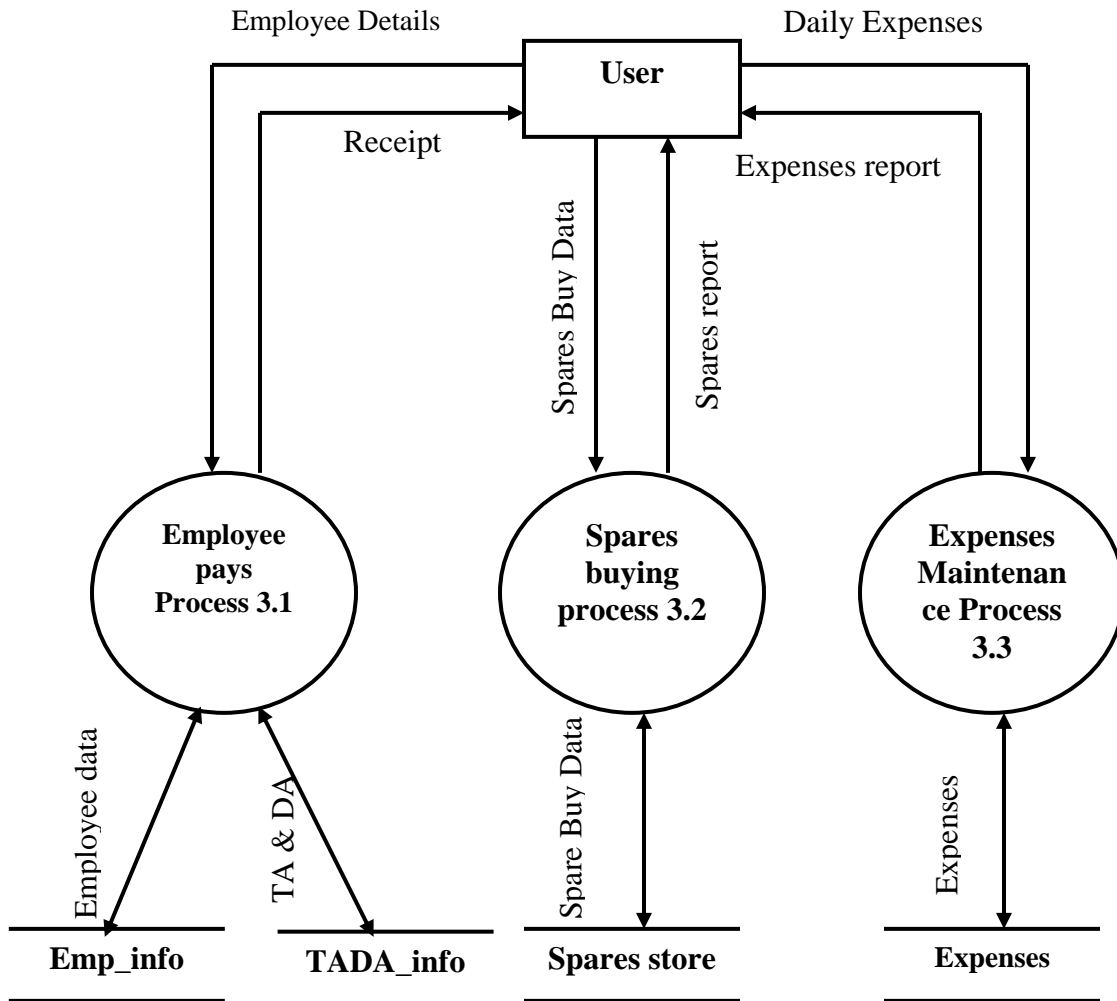




LEVEL 1 DFD



LEVEL 2 DFD



3.2. DATA DICTIONARY

A data dictionary is a catalogue – a repository – of the elements in a system. As the name suggests, these elements center on data the way they are structured to meet user requirements and organization needs. In a data dictionary you will find a list of all the elements composing the data flow through a system.

ENQ_INFO:

| Name | Type | Constraints | Description |
|----------|---------------|-------------|-----------------|
| ENQ_NO | Number | Primary key | Serial number |
| ENQ_NAME | Varchar2 (25) | | Person name |
| DESIG | Varchar2 (25) | | Occupation |
| DATE | Date | | Date of enquiry |
| TIME | Time | | Time of enquiry |
| STREET | Varchar2 (25) | | Street name |
| COLONY | Varchar2 (25) | | Colony name |
| CITY | Varchar2 (25) | | City name |
| PHONE | Varchar2 (25) | | Phone number |
| HOW_KNOW | Varchar2 (25) | | Media through |

QUOTE_INFO:

| Name | Type | Constraints | Description |
|------|------|-------------|-------------|
|------|------|-------------|-------------|

| | | | |
|------------|---------------|-------------|-----------------------|
| QUOTE_NAME | Varchar2 (25) | | Requester name |
| QUOTE_NO | Number | Primary key | Quotation number |
| ENQ_NO | Number | Foreign key | Enquiry number |
| DATE | Date | | Date of taking q |
| MODAL | Varchar2 (25) | | System modal name |
| PROCESSOR | Varchar2 (25) | | Processor type |
| RAM | Varchar2 (25) | | Ram size |
| HARDDISK | Varchar2 (25) | | Hard disk capacity |
| FDD | Varchar2 (25) | | Floppy drive |
| CDD | Varchar2 (25) | | CD drive |
| MONITOR | Varchar2 (25) | | Monitor type |
| PRINTER | Varchar2 (25) | | Printer |
| MMKIT | Varchar2 (25) | | Multimedia kit |
| OTHERS | Varchar2 (25) | | Other peripherals |

ORDER_INFO:

| Name | Type | Constraints | Description |
|------------|---------------|-------------|---------------------|
| ORD_NO | Number | Primary key | Order serial |
| CUST_ID | Varchar2 (25) | Foreign key | Customer id |
| ENQ_NO | Number | Foreign key | Enquiry number |
| QUOTE_NO | Number | Foreign key | Quotation number |
| ORD_DATE | Date | | Ordered date |
| ORD_AMOUNT | Number | | Order amount |
| AMT_PAYED | Number | | Amount payed |
| ORD_STATUS | Varchar2 (25) | | Status of order |

CUST_INFO:

| Name | Type | Constraints | Description |
|-----------|---------------|-------------|-------------|
| CUS_ID | Varchar2 (25) | Primary key | Customer id |
| CUST_NAME | Varchar2 (25) | | Name |
| DESIG | Varchar2 (25) | | Occupation |
| STREET | Varchar2 (25) | | Street name |
| COLONY | Varchar2 (25) | | Colony name |
| CITY | Varchar2 (25) | | City name |

| | | | |
|-------|---------------|--|--------------|
| PHONE | Varchar2 (25) | | Phone number |
| EMAIL | Varchar2 (25) | | Email add |

AMC_INFO:

| Name | Type | Constraints | Description |
|-----------|---------------|-------------|------------------|
| CUST_ID | Varchar2 (25) | Foreign key | Customer id |
| AMC_AMT | Number | | Amc charge |
| AMT_PAYED | Number | | Amount payed |
| AMC_START | Date | | Amc begin date |
| AMC_EXPR | Date | | Amc closing date |

SERVICE_REQ:

| Name | Type | Constraints | Description |
|------------|----------------|-------------|------------------------|
| NAME_OR_ID | Varchar2 (25) | | Name or id of customer |
| ADDRESS | Varchar2 (250) | | Address of customer |
| PHONE | Varchar2 (25) | | Phone number |
| REQ_DATE | Date | | Requested date |

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|-------------|---------------|-------------|-----------------|
| PROBLEM | Varchar2 (25) | | Problem |
| RES_DATE | Date | | Responded date |
| STATUS | Varchar2 (25) | | Status |
| AMT_CHARGED | Number | | Charge |
| ASSIGNEDTO | Varchar2 (25) | Foreign key | Assign engineer |

SPARES_INFO:

| Name | Type | Constraints | Description |
|-------------|---------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| SPARE_NAME | Varchar2 (25) | | Name of spare |
| BUY_DATE | Date | | Bought date |
| AMT | Number | | Amount |
| AMT_PAYED | Number | | Payed amount |
| FROM | Varchar2 (25) | | Bought from |
| DESCRIP | Varchar2 (50) | | Description |

EMP_INFO:

| Name | Type | Constraints | Description |
|-------------|---------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| NAME | Varchar2 (25) | Primary key | Name of service Eng. |

| | | | |
|--------|----------------|--|---------------|
| ADDR | Varchar2 (200) | | Address |
| PHONE | Varchar2 (15) | | Phone number |
| SALARY | Number | | Salary |
| QUALI | Varchar2 (25) | | Qualification |
| EXPR | Number | | Experience |

TADA_INFO:

| Name | Type | Constraints | Description |
|-------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| NAME | Varchar2 (25) | Foreign key | Name of employee |
| DATE | Date | | Date |
| AMOUNT | Number | | Amount taken |
| PURPOSE | Varchar2 (250) | | Purpose |

CASH_BOOK:

| Name | Type | Constraints | Description |
|-------------|----------------|--------------------|------------------------------|
| NAME | Varchar2 (25) | | Name of person |
| DATE | Date | | Date |
| REC_ISS | Varchar2 (5) | | Cash receiving or issuing |
| AMT | Number | | Amount |
| DESC | Varchar2 (250) | | Description |

4. FORMS & REPORTS

4.1. I/O SAMPLES

External material issue:

The screenshot shows a software window titled "MDIForm1 - [AMC Information]". The window has a menu bar with "Records" and "Reports". The main content area has a dark background with the title "Annual Maintenance Cost Information" in a large, white, serif font. Below the title, there are five input fields arranged vertically on the left: "Customer ID", "AMC Amount", "Amount Payed", "AMC Start Date", and "AMC Expired Date". The "AMC Start Date" and "AMC Expired Date" fields are dropdown menus, both showing "9 / 3 / 2002". To the right of these fields are three buttons: "Add", "Delete", and "Modify". Further to the right is a white rectangular box containing the numbers "400", "300", and "3000" stacked vertically.

| Field | Value |
|------------------|--------------|
| Customer ID | |
| AMC Amount | |
| Amount Payed | |
| AMC Start Date | 9 / 3 / 2002 |
| AMC Expired Date | 9 / 3 / 2002 |

Buttons: Add, Delete, Modify

Output Box:
400
300
3000

MDIForm1 - [Customer Information]

RecordsReports

Customer Information

Customer ID

Customer Name

Designation

Street

Colony

City

Phone

Email

Add

Delete

Modify

Siri

Sudha

Salomi

MDIForm1 - [Employee Information]

Records Reports

Employee Information

Employee Code

Phone Number

Name of Service

Salary

Address

Qualification

Experience

Add

Delete

Modify

oiling
Servicing of all Part
Srilakshmi H/W Se
Srilatha S/W Servic

MDIForm1 - [Enquiry_Information]

RecordsReports

Enquiry Number

Enquiry name

Designation

Date

8 /28/2002

Time

Street

Colony

City

Phone

How Known

Add

Modify

Delete

GSRA
Yashodhan
Seshu
Rani

MDIForm1 - []

Records Reports

Order Information

| | | | | |
|------------------|----------------------|--------------|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| Order Number | <input type="text"/> | Order Date | <input type="text" value="9 / 3 / 2002"/> | <div>2000 1000 5454 205</div> |
| Customer ID | <input type="text"/> | Order Amount | <input type="text"/> | |
| Enquiry Number | <input type="text"/> | Amount Payed | <input type="text"/> | |
| Quotation Number | <input type="text"/> | Order Status | <input type="text"/> | |

Add

Delete

Modify

MDIForm1 - [Quotation Information]

Records Reports

Quotation Information

Quotation Name

Quotation Number

Enquiry Number

Date

9 / 2 /2002

Modal

Processor

RAM

Hard Disk

FDD

CDD

Monitor

Printer

MMkit

Others

Vintron

MicroSoft

IBM

Satyam

Add

Delete

Modify

MDIForm1 - [Service Request]

Records Reports

Service Request

Name Order ID

Address

Phone

Request Date

9 / 4 / 2002

Problem

Resister Date

9 / 4 / 2002

Status

Amount Charged

Assigned To

Add

Delete

Modify

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