DECISION MAKING TOOLS

Chapter 4

September 18

DUE THIS COMING WEEK

- Thursday
 - Mini Quiz on Chapters 2
 - Information

- Next Week Tuesday to Thursday at 5 pm
 - Test #1
 - No class next week, instead do the test

EXTRA CREDIT OPPORTUNITY ATTEND TECH/ANALYTICS CAREER DAY



- Attend any session and receive credit for a missed Attendance day (even going forward)
- You must register at the end of the class with the code provided in the session and select MIS 213 - Janicki



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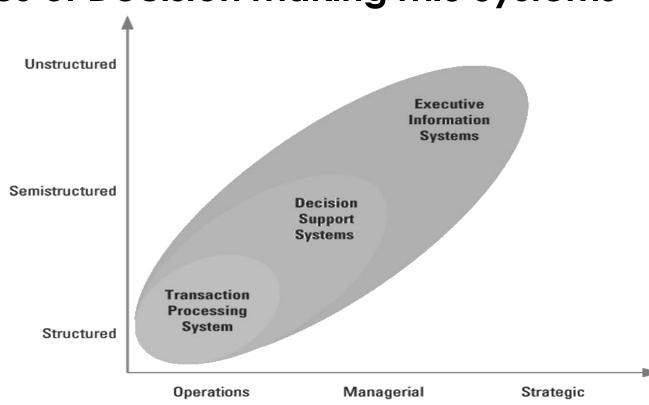


MAKING BUSINESS DECISIONS

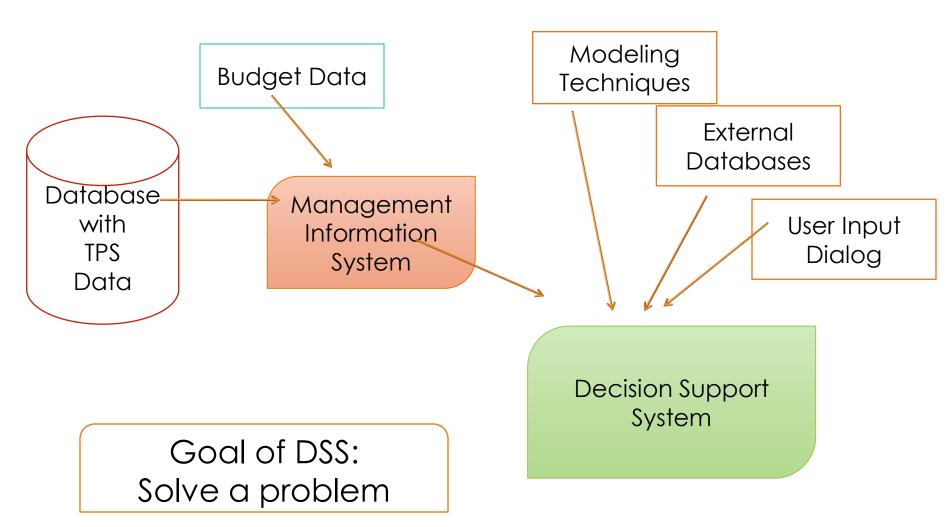
- Managerial decision-making challenges
 - Analyze large amounts of information
 - Apply sophisticated analysis techniques
 - Make decisions quickly

SUPPORT: ENHANCING DECISION MAKING WITH MIS

Types of Decision Making MIS Systems



GENERALLY COMBINE INTERNAL / EXTERNAL SOURCES



MODELING TECHNIQUES IN DSS

Model Type	Description	Software
Financial	Provide returns for a special project	Spreadsheets
Statistical	Trend projections	Spreadsheets or Data Analytics (Tableau)
Graphical	Trends in a visual manner	Spreadsheets or Presentation Software
Project Management	Time lines, critical paths	MS Project or similar

DSS VERSUS MIS

Factor	DSS	MIS
Problem Type	Unstructured, cannot be easily programmed, UNCW Accepts a higher % of non-instate students	Structured Problems Ordering quantity
Users	College grads Upper management	Operations / front line College grads
Emphasis	Making a decision	Information Providing
Development	Users are part of the development	Provided by others

EXCEL

- Excel is a Decision-Making System
 - Analyze data and help to recommend solutions
 - Provide graphical capabilities making it easier for management to understand
 - Unique Decision Making tools in Excel
 - **Pivot Tables** powerful tool to calculate, summarize, and analyze data that lets you see comparisons, patterns, and trends in your data.
 - **Scenario** will calculate alternative solutions to a problem and permits management to select their best solution.
 - Solver will calculate the 'best alternative' based on management criteria.