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ABSTRACT

The objective of this research is to design and develop a framework for adoption of information technology for counterproductive behaviour index profiling through polygraphic method. Although the potential for technology use is vast, researchers and practitioners know surprisingly little about the array of technologies being used in organizations or the extent to which these technologies are being used to recruit, screen and select employees. Selecting the right people with high integrity, good qualification and with appropriate competency is fundamental to the success of any organization. Various methods have been utilized in pre-employment, promotion, positioning and posting to ensure the best candidate is selected. In these methods, tools ranging from pencil and papers to polygraph testing have been used to detect counterproductive behaviour. Polygraph instrument collect physiological data from three systems of the human body; respiratory, sweat gland, and cardiovascular activity. In the polygraph test a candidate is subjected to a series of questions to determine his integrity. A certified polygraph examiner will formulate questions asked and familiarize the examinee with the testing procedure. To conduct the polygraph test, the most widely used techniques is the one advocated by the American Polygraph Association (APA). The accuracy of the test is dependent to whether the examiner is qualified, examinee fit for testing, the types of equipment used and whether it is calibration, the types of validated questions asked, environment, the processing of the results. However currently there is no published framework to profile counterproductive behaviour using polygraph. This prompted a research question: What framework can be utilized for adoption of information technology for counterproductive behaviour index profiling using polygraph method? Phased Development Research methodology was used. Four life cycles were conducted to produce the final version (4th Version). The framework was evaluated and improved through the life cycles development and acceptance test through 34 presentations; 28 presentations of papers and participation in exhibitions, workshops, seminars, conferences locally and six presentations at international level. Three awards were received at international level. Ten major counterproductive behaviours were identified and covered namely alcohol use, computer abuse, credibility, customer service, fundamental data, illegal drug use, sexual harassment, theft propensity, work attitude, and work history. Three metaphors areas of concerns: little or no concerns for lower scorers (Angel), normal concerns for medium scorers (Human) and serious concerns for higher scores (Devil) were developed with the ability of producing radar charts for each areas of concern. The method comprises of four phases namely: Phase One - Pre Polygraph Phase utilizing multiple perspective approach for question formulation and polygraph testing preparation; Phase Two - Polygraph Testing Phase; Phase Three - Index Profiling Phase; and Phase Four - Historical Profile Management Phase. Major contributions of this research are the framework developed and web-based information system named POLYDETECTTM and can be served through www.polydetect.com.my.

ABSTRAK

Objektif penyelidikan ini ialah mereka dan membangunkan kerangkakerja penyesuaian teknologi maklumat untuk memprofil tingkahlaku tidak produktif melalui kaedah poligraf. Walaupun terdapat banyak teknologi boleh digunakan, penyelidik dan pengamal mengetahui sedikit tentang teknologi yang digunakan oleh organisasi atau sejauh mana teknologi ini digunakan bagi tujuan merekruit, menyaring dan memilih bakal pekerja. Memilih orang yang tepat dengan integriti yang tinggi, kelulusan yang baik, dan dengan kebolehan yang tepat adalah utama bagi kejayaan satu-satu organisasi. Pelbagai kaedah telah digunakan dalam pra pemilihan pekerjaan, kenaikan pangkat, peletakan dan pertukaran bagi memastikan calon terbaik dipilih. Dalam kaedah ini, alat dari pensil dan kertas sehingga ujian poligraf telah digunakan untuk mengesan tingkahlaku tidak produktif. Instrumen poligraf mengesan tiga data fisiologi sistem badan manusia: aktiviti pernafasan, perpeluhan dan kardiovaskular. Di dalam ujian poligraf, calon dikenakan untuk menjawab siri soalan untuk mengenalpasti integritinya. Pemeriksa poligraf yang bertauliah akan menyediakan soalan dan menyiap sediakan calon dengan prosidur ujian poligraf. Untuk menjalankan ujian poligraf, teknik secara meluas dipelopori dan dianjurkan oleh American Polygraph Association (APA). Ketepatan ujian poligraf bergantung kepada sama ada pemeriksa itu bertauliah, calon yang layak diuji, instrumen yang digunakan dan telah lulus ujiguna, soalan yang layak ditanya, enviromen dan kaedah pemprosesan keputusan yang tepat. Walau bagaimanapun, tiada kerangkakerja yang diterbitkan untuk profil tingkahlaku tidak produktif menggunakan kaedah poligraf. Ini menyebabkan timbul soalan penyelidikan: Apakah kerangkakerja yang boleh digunakan untuk penyesuaian teknologi maklumat bagi memprofil tingkahlaku tidak produktif melalui kaedah poligraf? Kaedah Penyelidikan Pembangunan Berfasa telah digunakan untuk menghasilkannya. Empat kitaran hayat digunakan untuk menghasilkan versi terakhir iaitu Versi 4. Kerangkakerja tersebut telah diperbaiki dan dinilai melalui kitaran hayatnya dan ujian penerimaan melalui 34 pembentangan dan penyertaan; 28 pembentangan di pamiran, bengkel, seminar dipersidangan tempatan dan melalui enam pembentangan diperingkat antarabangsa. Tiga anugerah telah diperolehi diperingkat antarabangsa. Sepuluh tingkahlaku tidak produktif yang utama telah dikenalpasti; penggunaan alkohol, penyalahgunaan komputer, kredibiliti, layanan pelanggan, data utama, penyalahgunaan dadah, gangguan sektual, keupayaan mencuri, sikap bekerja dan sejarah pekerjaan. Tiga metafora dikategorikan: sedikit atau kurang perihatin untuk skor rendah (Malaikat), perihatin normal untuk skor pertengahan (Manusia) and perihatin tinggi untuk skor tinggi (Devil) dibangunkan yang mempunyai kebolehan menghasilkan carta radar bagi setiap kawasan keperihatinan. Keadah ini terdiri dari empat fasa: Fasa Satu – Pra-Fasa menggunakan pendekatan perspektif pelbagai bagi menyediakan soalan dan persediaan ujian poligraf; Fasa Dua – Fasa Ujian Poligraf; Fasa Tiga – Fasa Memprofil Index dan Fasa Empat – Fasa Pengurusan Sejarah Profil. Sumbangan utama penyelidikan ini adalah terbangunnya kerangkakerja tersebut dan sistem maklumat berdasarkan laman sesawang dinamakan sebagai POLYDETECTTM dan boleh dilayari melalui www.polydetect.com.my.

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Analogue Studies Laboratory studies of polygraph testing that simulate

actual field examinations. The goal of Analogue

Studies is to test the validity of various polygraph

techniques under controlled conditions.

APA The American Polygraph Association.

Base Rate The number of guilty or innocent subjects measured

as a percentage of the total sample.

Cardiograph The sensor component in polygraph instruments that

records blood pressure, blood volume, and heart rate.

Cardiosphygmograph A component of a polygraph set designed to

mechanically record in ink on paper, a subject's

relative blood pressure and pulse rate variations.

Chart The graphic recorded representations of a person's

psychopysiological responses to a set of carefully controlled stimuli presented to him in the form of a

valid and reliable question structure.

Control Question A question relative to a similar but unrelated offense

utilized in general question tests and designed in such a manner that the examinee will probably lie in

responding to it. Results are utilized by the examiners

overall chart interpretation.

Data Analysis The method by which the physiological data produced

from the administration of the psychological structure

test is analysed and evaluated for a conclusion of truth

or deception.

Deception Response Deviations from the norm in the tracings of any of the

components of a polygraph instrument which are the

result of emotions produced in the examinee as the

result of a question may possibly be interpreted by the examiner as a deception response. Consideration must be given to the overall chart interpretation with emphasis on the nature and position of the question as well as in the manner which the question was presented.

Dicrotic Notch:

A characteristic found in the cardio tracing resulting from a slight change of blood pressure caused by the closing of the semi-lunar valve in the heart. Also is referred to as an aortic regurgitation. Present in the descending leg of the cardio tracing.

Electrodermal Response (EDR):

A measure of physiological arousal determined by the skin's resistance or conductivity to electricity measured by Galvanic Skin Response.

Event-Specific Polygraph

A polygraph examination conducted in response to a known incident, involving reasonable cause to suspect a particular individual or set of individuals.

Examination

A term used by examiner to describe the entire polygraph testing situation to include, the pre-test, test, post-test interviews.

Examination Room

A special sound proofed, air-conditioned room complete with sound equipment and apparatus used in administering polygraph tests.

Examinee

An individual who has volunteered for and undergoes a polygraph examination.

Examiner

An individual who, by virtue of his education, training and experience, is capable of conducting a valid and reliable polygraph examination for the purpose of determining whether or not an examinee honestly believes that his own statements and answers concerning a questioned issue are in fact truthful.

Exploratory Test A non-specific control question test that contains

relevant questions that deal with multiple issues.

False Negative An erroneous decision that an examinee is not being

deceptive when the examinee is actually being

deceptive.

False Positive An erroneous decision that an examinee is being

deceptive when the examinee is actually being

truthful.

Galvanic Skin Response

(GSR)

A measure of physiological arousal determined by the amount of decrease in the skin's resistance to

electricity purportedly due to an increase in sweat

gland activity.

Galvanograph A component of a polygraph designed to record the

phenomenon of psychogalvanic skin reflex or

electrodermal response. It is the record able changes

of body tissue polarization, sweat gland activity or

circulatory variations which occur as a result of work,

emotion or a combination of either. In polygraph,

these changes are recorded on a polygraph chart.

Ground Truth The establishment of actual guilt or innocence based

on a factor other than the polygraph exam (i.e.

confession or judicial verdict).

Human Capital The stock of knowledge, skills, and abilities imbedded

in an individuals that results from natural endowment

and subsequent and investment in education, training,

and experience; an economic asset.

Inconclusive result This is the examiner's required diagnostic opinion

when an examinee's polygraph record shows

responses that are insufficient to determine

truthfulness or deception.

In-Test Phase Portion of polygraph examination involving the

collection of the physiological data recorded on the polygraph charts in response to questions asked by the examiner.

Irelevant/Neutral/ **Comparison Question:** A question which does not pertain to the case for which a subject being tested on a polygraph. It is designed to elicit a minimum emotional response and to act as a criterion for establishing a norm in the subject. Also known as non-pertinent or irrelevant question.

NDI: Common usage abbreviation for "Non Deception Indicated."

Neutral Question (also known as an Irrelevant **Question**)

A question of a non-stimulating nature or a question that is not related to the issue that generated the test.

Plethysmograph A device used for finding variations in size of a segment of the body due to variations in the amount of blood passing through or contained in that segment. A mechanical or electronic device that records Pneumograph thoracic and/or abdominal breathing patterns.

> component of a polygraph designed A to mechanically record in ink, on a chart inhalation/exhalation cycles of a person's breathing pattern

> Is derived from the Greek word "polys" meaning many and "gramma" a writing. A parameter is a pattern or tracing resulting from the action of one component of the polygraph. A completed chart reflecting all three parameters is a polygram.

> The term literally means "many writings," which refers to the manner in which selected physiological activities are simultaneously recorded. Polygraphs

Pneumograph

Polygram

Polygraph

records respiration, cardiovascular activity and electro dermal activity of an examinee while an examiner questions the examinee. The instrument itself is a combination of several recording devices routinely used in the medical and scientific community.

Polygraph

Is derived from the Greek word "polygs" meaning many and "graphes", to write. A generic term generally used to refer to the polygraph instrument or the polygraph technique

Polygraph Examination

The entire environment within which a qualified polygraphist renders an expert opinion as to the veracity of an examinee's statements concerning the primary issue of the matter under investigation.

Polygraph Instruments

A commercial trade name for the Keeler instrument, General usage term for the several scientific detection of deception instruments. For the purpose of this research study, LX 3000SW*C Lafayette polygraph instrument with ASUS L8400 850 MHZ notebook computer was utilized.

Polygraphist

An individual who, by virtue of his education, training and experience, is capable of conducting a valid and reliable polygraph examination for the purpose of determining whether or not an examinee honestly believes that his own statements and answers concerning a questioned issue are in fact truthful.

Post-Test Interview

The interview following the conclusion of the psycho physiological veracity examination or "in-test phase". The examinee has the opportunity to discuss the test with the examiner and ask questions during the Post-Test Interview.

Pre-Test Interview

The first phase of the examination that precedes the collection of the physiological data recorded on the polygraph charts, comprising the acquisition of examinee background data, refinement and finalization of the test question formulation, and explanation of the examination procedure.

Psychological Set

The theory which holds that a person's fear, anxiety and apprehensions will be directed toward the situation which presents the greatest immediate threat to his self-preservation or general well-being, generally to the exclusion of all other less threatening circumstances within his environment.

Question Test

A valid and reliable question structure employed by a qualified examiner for the purpose of verifying an examinee's statements or answers during the polygraph examination.

Relevant Question

A test question related to the issue that generated the test.

Relevant Question

A question pertaining directly to the matter under investigation for which a subject is being tested on a polygraph. Also known as crucial, pertinent or material questions.

Sacrifice Relevant

Question

A question used in the zone comparison test designed for an intended to dissipate initial tension anticipated by an examinee in response to the target issue.

Specific Human Capital Symptomatic Questions

A question designed to determine the existence of an outside issue which might interfere with the successful

Human capital that is of value to a single employer.

conduct of the examination.

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Overview

Initially, the working title of this research was Polygraphic Method of Counterproductive Behaviour Index Profiling and finally through the evolution of this research, the most suitable title was found and agreed upon. The final title of the research is: Adoption of Information Technology for Counterproductive Behaviour Index Profiling through Polygraphic Method. This chapter introduces the area of concern of the research. The discussion begins with the research background focusing on different aspects namely, the capability of computer technology and there is an increased of interest in the use of information technologies (IT) in Human Resource (HR) practices, knowledge-economy (Keconomy), human capital, pre-employment research, counterproductive behaviour, profiling, worldview on polygraph and polygraph research. In discussing the problem statement, the chapter relates that currently, there is no framework on adoption of information technology for counterproductive behaviour index profiling through polygraphic method. The chapter then describes the objectives of the research. In relation to the research objectives, the chapter describes the research questions. The chapter continues with clarification on the scope of the research. Finally, the chapter presents the structure of the dissertation and gives an overview of the whole research.

1.2 Background of the Research

Computer technology makes possible the continuous collection and analysis of management information about work performance and equipment use. This information can be useful to managers in managing resources, planning workloads, and reducing costs. It can be advantageous to employees as well, by providing timely feedback on performance and an objective basis for evaluation. Despite these possible advantages, however, there is controversy about computer-based monitoring on grounds that it invades employees' privacy, causes stress, and can be used unfairly by some employers.

Advances in technologies have had a profound impact on the business practices of many organizational functions including financial systems, sales, marketing, and production. Recently have we seen an increased interest in the use of information technologies (IT) in Human Resource (HR) practices such as personnel screening and selection. For example, Nike uses Interactive Voice Response (IVR) technology to screen applicants over the telephone, followed by computer-assisted interviews with selected applicants, and finally performs face-to-face interviews (Thornburg, 1998). Other organizations, such as Home Depot, BI-LO, JC Penny, and the US Department of Defense, use a variety of technologies for screening and selection, such as the telephone, IVR, and computer adaptive testing (Frost, 1997). Commercial applications designed to screen resumes for keywords are also widely available to organizations.

Although the potential for technology use is vast, researchers and practitioners know surprisingly little about the array of technologies being used in organizations or the extent to which these technologies are being used to recruit, screen and select employees. We want may to examine the extent of technology use across the various stages of recruiting and selection including: (a) advertising positions, (b) receiving applications, (c) initial screening, and (d) final selection. In addition, we wanted to determine the extent to which HR departments used

these technologies for staffing: (a) low-level or entry-level positions, (b) mid-level positions, and (c) high-level positions.

There is an increased of globalization of the economy and labour market. To succeed in a competitive global marketplace, businesses are looking for the best and brightest employees, regardless of their geographical setting. However, searching the international marketplace for talent is an expensive enterprise. Many organizations are discouraged by the costs involved and others are forced to pay rather than risk losing business as a result of a shortage of skilled workers. The use of IT in screening and selecting applicants has the potential to significantly reduce costs while simultaneously expanding applicant pools (Cummings, 1993; Thornburg, 1998). Kroeck and Magnussen (1997), for example, found that organizatons who were initially unwilling to travel to smaller or geographically distant universities were able to do so by using videoconference technology to conduct their interviews.

The emergence of a knowledge-based economy (K-economy) has spawned a "new" notion of workplace literacy, changing the relationship between employers and employees. The traditional covenant where employees expect a stable or lifelong employment will no longer apply. The retention of employees will most probably be based on their skills and knowledge that can create advantages for the company over its competitors. Employers invest in the skills of their employees to improve productivity and the profitability of the company. Training costs can be substantially higher than that of general or academic education but are justified when the value of the company's earnings and productivity exceed the cost of the training. Numerous empirical studies regarding entry-level employee competencies from the perspective of employers have been conducted in both industrialized and developing nations. The results of the studies found that employers prefer certain types of entry-level competencies of the prospective employees (Mustapha & Abdullah, 2000).

Research has shown that employers perceive technical competency as critical workforce literacy. Communication and interpersonal skills are also essential. Other skills include critical and problem-solving skills, self-motivation, and management skills. However, to compete and survive in the era of a K-economy and globalization, a new set of workplace literacy is deemed necessary. The k-economy requires knowledgeable, skilled, dynamic, creative, and innovative human resources (Mustapha & Abdullah, 2000). In addition, the new global market calls for visionary leadership and the adoption and application of new management and organizational principles. Employers need to recruit more "knowledge" workers for higher skills jobs.

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Profiling is an investigative technique and forensic science with many names and a history of being practiced on many levels for many years. It is extensively represented and glamorized in books and film. It is most commonly associated with law enforcement, although profiling takes place in other areas and in other contexts not limited to criminal justice (Harris 2002; Bumgarner 2004). Choosing the right people, whether it's recruiting or promoting them, is fundamental to the success of any organisation. Wrong selection decisions can make for unnecessary financial outlays and waste a great deal of time and other resources.

Security issues in any employment include finding the right human capital. Finding the right people for the right job involves pre-employment screening. In order to help detect counterproductive behaviours, various techniques have been utilised including the methods and techniques of using pencil and papers methods and polygraph.

Based on the American Polygraph Association (APA) with over 2500 members worldwide, the polygraph is currently the most accurate method available

for truth verification (APA, 2000). APA has a compendium of research studies available on the validity and reliability of polygraph testing. The 80 research projects listed, published since 1980, involve 6380 polygraph examinations or sets of charts from examinations. Researchers conducted 12 studies of the validity of field examinations, following 2174 field examinations, providing an average accuracy of 98%. Researchers conducted II studies involving the reliability of independent analyses of 1609 sets of charts from field examinations confirmed by independent evidence, providing an average accuracy of 92%. Researchers conducted 41 studies involving the accuracy of 1787 laboratory simulations of polygraph examinations, producing an average accuracy of 80%. Researchers conducted 16 studies involving the reliability of independent analyses of 810 sets of charts from laboratory simulations, producing an average accuracy of 81%. Withstanding more than a century of research, development and widespread use, the polygraph test remains the most effective means of verifying the truth and detecting deception. The most accurate instrument currently used for truth verification is the polygraph (Gordan, N.J, Fleisher.W.L., 2010).

Polygraph tests are currently used in criminal investigations in many countries including Belgium, Canada, Israel, Japan, Turkey, Singapore, South Korea, Mexico, Pakistan, Philippines, Taiwan, Thailand and USA (Lykken, 1998, Raskin, 1990, Vrij, 2000). Law enforcement and intelligence agencies in US, have long maintained that polygraph is a useful tool. In terms of employee screening, the threat of a polygraph test may deter employees from engaging in illicit activities (BPS, 2004). Law enforcement in Malaysia namely Anti-Corruption Agency since 1995 and Royal Malaysia Police has started using polygraph since 1996 (Kiang, 1996).

High security risks and high integrity risks organizations require the appointments of personnel to important key positions to be conducted in a stringent manner with many levels of screening to determine the best person with the best integrity for the right job. Polygraph tests have become a widely used instrument in

many developed countries for the last phase of the pre-employment or promotion exercise to determine counterproductive behaviour tendencies.

There are problems in current situation. Current polygraph tests are very expensive and time consuming to conduct. Furthermore, it requires certified polygraph examiners and special instruments to conduct the tests. There are very limited numbers of certified polygraph examiners in Malaysia. There are nine (9) in Malaysia and worldwide there are over 2500 certified polygraph examiners. The questions posed during the polygraph examinations are in English. Non validated questions posed in other languages to native subjects or examinee as claimed will contribute to inaccuracy. Improper reading of the paper charts of polygraph testing caused misinterpretation of the results. Globally, it is also not practical to keep paper charts as a means of data keeping to keep historical data and profiles.

Whilst polygraph is being developed in the western countries for about 100 years, it is most suited to the westerners. The development and advancement of polygraph in the western countries, invites the people in the eastern countries to utilize it. Japan, Singapore, South Korea, Pakistan, Philippines, Taiwan, Thailand and Malaysia has started using polygraph the western version in pre-employment and criminal investigations. The integration of information technologies and usage of polygraph in eastern countries demands the attribute to be in multilingual due to broad based multiracial communities in the eastern countries.

1.3 Problem Statement

Up until now, the majority of integrity tests used as part of the selection process centred around two major types of solutions: self-report pencil and paper/online and polygraph (lie detector test - change in individual's physiology in response to the emotion of fear) integrity tests.

Polygraph has often been accepted as a highly valid instrument in assessing honesty in the work area. To date, there have been only a limited number of research projects on the accuracy of polygraph testing in the pre-employment context, primarily because of the difficulty in establishing ground truth. However, since the same physiological measures are recorded and the same basic psychological principles may apply in both the specific issue and pre-employment examinations, there is no reason to believe that there is a substantial decrease in the accuracy rate for the pre- employment circumstance. The few studies that have been conducted on pre- employment testing support this contention. While the polygraph technique is not infallible, research clearly indicates that when administered by a competent examiner, the polygraph test is one of the most accurate means available to determine truth and deception (APA, 2000).

Research through readings and analysis was done on all the polygraph journals and magazine published since 1972 by American Polygraph Association (APA) including the policies and guidelines, it was found out there was no clear framework on pre-employment or employment screening or adoption of information technology on framework of pre-employment or employment screening.

In conducting pre-empolyment personnel selection by human resource executive, what method can be used to utilize polygraph charts? Polygraph have undergone various development and advancement in term of information technology so as to meet the current demand. Currently, according to initial study and up untill now, index profiling using polygraph method has not been done. Hence the problem statement is as follow:

There is no framework that can be utilised for adoption of information technology for counterproductive behaviour index profiling through polygraphic method.

1.4 Research Questions

Based on the problem statement and literature review done, it was formulated that the research question for this research is as follows:

What framework can be utilized for adoption of information technology for counterproductive behaviour index profiling through polygraphic method?

The above research questions then prompted the following questions to be answered in the research.

- 1.4.1 How to develop and design an integrated framework for adoption of information technology for counterproductive behaviour index profiling through polygraphic method?
- 1.4.2 How can information and communication technology be utilised in the framework?
- 1.4.3 What method can be utilized to formulate localized questions for polygraph examination based on multiracial and multilingual society?
- 1.4.4 How can polygraph examination charts be translated into polygraphic counterproductive behaviour index profile?

1.5 Research Objectives

Based on the research questions, the following objectives were formulated to answer the research questions. The objectives of the research are:

1.5.1 To develop and design an integrated framework for adoption of information technology for counterproductive behaviour index profiling through polygraphic method.

1.5.2 To develop polygraph multilingual test questions for counterproductive behaviour index profiling based on multiracial and multilingual society as in the research study.

1.6 Scope of the Research

The scope of the research on adoption of information technology for counterproductive behaviour index profiling through polygraphic method in this research encompasses counterproductive behaviour of 10 major areas namely alcohol use, computer abuse, credibility, customer service, fundamental data, illegal drug use, sexual harassment, theft propensity, work attitude, and work history.

The research in this context will utilize polygraph charts from Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) formerly known Anti-Corruption Agency of Malaysia (ACA), Polygraph Science Academy (Polygraph School) and polygraph charts from previous study for pre-employment purposes that detect counterproductive behaviour using the 4 channels of the computerized polygraph system:

- i. Pneumograph
 - (2 channel upper and lower) record breathing and movement.
- ii. Galvanic Skin Response
 - (G.S.R) (1 channel) record trace changes to the skin resistance.
- iii. Cardiosphygmograph
 - (1 channel) record traces changes to the subjects relative blood pressure and pulse rate.

1.7 Structure of the Dissertation

The dissertation is organized in 7 chapters. The dissertation presents the reader with the development of the research in a structured and coherent manner. Although the chapters are written in a seemingly linear fashion, the development of the research is in no way linear. There are inter-relationships between different chapters of the dissertation and they are clearly stated in the chapters. The chapters should not be read in isolation, and therefore, the best approach to understanding the research is by briefly revisiting the related sections of a previous chapter.

Chapter 1 introduces readers to the research area of concern. The chapter begins with the description of the background of the research, encompassing on computer technology, knowledge-economy (K-economy), human capital, pre-employment research, counterproductive behaviour, profiling, worldview on polygraph, polygraph research is briefly stated. The problem statement was then identified and research question was formulated. The objectives of the research and scope of the research was also identified. Finally, the chapter gives an overview of the dissertation structure.

Chapter 2 discusses the literature related to advances in technologies and the use of technologies in the recruiting, screening, and selection processes for job candidates, an overview and worldview on polygraph, theories underlying polygraph, the state of polygraph testing, theoretical framework of polygraph testing, polygraph pre-employment testing methodology, available methodologies for assessing integrity and honesty, available pre-employment framework, pre-employment screening, counterproductive behaviour, profiling, research paradigm, multiple perspectives and phased development research methodology. All these literature are very crucial to the development on adoption of information technology for counterproductive behaviour index profiling through polygraphic method framework. Finally, the chapter describes the proposed framework proposed by this research.

Chapter 3 describes the methodology used in the research. The chapter begins the overview of the whole chapter. The research strategy was outlined by giving the background of the author as a certified polygraph examiner and the operational research framework of the research methodology. The author outlined the operational research framework. The chapter continues with the discussion on the use of Phased Development Research Methodology and Multiple Perspective Framework to develop the framework. The chapter then presents the operational research framework that describes the phases and activities of the research in detail. The chapter then discusses the methods and tools used in the research. They include data collection methods and tools used.

Chapter 4 discusses the implementation and testing of the framework and the preliminary study conducted. The purpose of the preliminary study is to test certain ideas on adoption of information technology for counterproductive behaviour index profiling through polygraphic method based on early review of the literature. The findings of the preliminary study are later used in the reconstruction of the proposed framework. Finally, the chapter discusses the process and findings and proposes the final framework on adoption of information technology for counterproductive behaviour index profiling through polygraphic method.

Chapter 5 analyses the findings of the implementation and testing of adoption of information technology for polygraphic method for counterproductive behaviour index profiling framework and system.

Chapter 6 discusses the contributions of the research on adoption of information technology for counterproductive behaviour index profiling through polygraphic method.

Chapter 7 concludes the research and identifies research contributions. The chapter also listed all recommendations for future research in the area of study.

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