Self Diagnosis of Web-Based Pregnancy and Childbirth Disorders Using Forward Chaining Methods

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ABSTRACT

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The high mortality rate for pregnant women and childbirth in Bali, Indonesia, is caused by a lack of initial diagnosis of the diseases and complaints experienced by pregnant women during pregnancy, as well as a lack of health medical personnel scattered throughout Bali, to be able to provide optimal health services. It is necessary to have an online information system that helps pregnant women to be able to independently and online diagnose diseases, complaints, and symptoms experienced during pregnancy. The system must be able to be accessed anytime and anywhere, with high reliability and availability, and provide fast diagnostic results. The focus of this research is the design and implementation of an Information System for Diagnosis of Pregnancy Disorders Based on Cloud Computing using Forward Chaining Method, with the Design Science Research Methodology (DSRM) and the Technology Acceptance Model (TAM) method. The application is placed on the Hybrid Cloud to make it more secure and reliable. The results of this research, help the pregnant women to do online self-diagnosis, to reduce the mortality rate for pregnant women and giving birth.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The data from the Bali Provincial Health Office (Indonesia: Dinas Kesehatan Provinsi Bali) shows that the mortality rate for pregnant women and giving birth in Bali Province is quite high [1]. This is due to a lack of early diagnosis and treatment related to complaints experienced by pregnant women, as well as a lack of health medical personnel in all areas of Bali Province, to be able to provide optimal health services to pregnant women. With the availability of information technology, it will be possible for pregnant women and health medical personnel to be able to find out and diagnose the initial complaints experienced by pregnant women during pregnancy and before delivery, so that early prevention and treatment can be carried out. It is necessary to develop an online information system that can help pregnant women to independently diagnose diseases, complaints, and symptoms experienced during pregnancy and before pregnancy.

The system must be able to be accessed anytime, anywhere, and from any device via an internet connection. The system should also have high reliability and availability. For this reason, in this study, a web-based information system is proposed using the Forward Chaining method. The system was developed using the Design Science Research Methodology (DSRM), which was then

tested on the developer side using the Black Box Testing method and user testing using the Technology Acceptance Model (TAM) method. The system is built based on Cloud Computing.

Research using Forward Chaining methods at several fields, purposes, and case study, has been conducted by some of previous researches. Zahrih and Findawati using Forward Chaining method to develop an expert system of ovarian cyst disease diagnosis based on web [2]. Ajlan on his research, describes the comparison of both Forward Chaining and Backward Chaining is a method at the expert system application development [3]. Muludi et al., in their publication, explain the use of the Forward Chaining and Certainty Factor Method in the form of an Android based expert system for tomato diseases identification [4]. Prambudi, et al., develop an expert system application for the decision of contraception tools choice, using Forward Chaining and Certainty Factors Method [5]. Poningsih introducing their research about the web-based expert system application using forward chaining method, to diagnosis of disease teak [6].

Pramesti describes her research that develop an expert system based on forward chaining method to determine the type of lenses glasses [7]. Rupnawar describes her research about the study of comparison both Forward Chaining and Backward Chaining in case of Artificial Intelligence [8]. Sasmito, et al., present their research about the development of expert system application using Forward Chaining Method and the rule-based reasoning for simulation diagnose pest and disease red onion and chili plant [9]. Hayadi, et al., develop an expert system application as a tool for learning model at the University of Pasir Pengaraian, using Forward Chaining Method [10]. Adriyendi on his paper, focus on the concept of knowledge representation in Artificial Intelligence and implementing of Forward Chaining method on food affordability, that used to planning of food in the future [11].

Gunawan and Wardoyo in their research describe the solution for insomnia patients treatment using expert system applications based on the certainty factor method, to accommodate uncertainty about symptoms and rules that used a measure of increased belief (MB) and a measure of increased disbelief (MD) [12]. Setiabudi, et al., make an expert system based on android platform on their research, to help the dentist to detect dental disease, with 95% accuracy rate [13]. Saputri, et al., using Certainty Factor Method in the form of a web-based application to handling the uncertain condition in hepatitis diagnosis with BlackBox Testing [14]. Setyaputri et al., on their research have compared and analysis both of Certainty Factor Method and Bayes Probability Method in case of Ear, Nose, and Throat (ENT) diseases, where Certainty Factor Method factor Method has accuracy in diagnosing the disease by 100% and the Bayes Probability method of system accuracy is 80% [15].

Purnama, et al., describe their research about the use of the Certainty Factor Method in case of detecting children's intelligence, using expert system application [16]. Latumakulita in her research explained about the development of an expert system application to diagnose childhood diseases using the Certainty Factor Method [17]. Yulianti, et al., in their research, create an expert system with the certainty factor method, to help psychologists and educators or instructors seeing the modalities or learning styles of adolescents, so that they can determine learning styles [18]. Achmadi, et al., in their research develop a desktop-based expert system application to diagnose of virus infection disease in children with Certainty Factor Method, using MySQL [19]. Minarni and Fadhillah, described their research about rice plant diseases and how to detect it using Certainty Factor in the form of web-based expert system [20].

Dan and dudeck introducing their research about the implementation of the certainty factor method in a Hospital Information System based on an expert system [21]. Cruza and Beliakovb in their research, present a method of determining certainty factors from statistical data using nonlinear regression and illustrate it with a leukemia diagnostics problem [22]. Sumartono, et al., present their research about an expert system of catfish disease using Certainty Factor Method, that very helpful for farmers to improve catfish farming [23]. Yuhandri on his research, focus on building an Expert System application for the diagnosis of Osteoporosis disease using certainty factor, based on the web (PHP MySQL) [24].

Panggabean on his research describe the development of artificial intelligence technology on expert systems to be applied in detecting stroke using both of Dempster Shafer method and the

levelon an expert system application

Certainty Factor method and compare it [25]. Annisa develop an expert system application to detect the mental disorders of type schizophrenia using Certainty Factor and tracking techniques with Forward Chaining method and knowledge data that can be updated according to the development of knowledge [26].

Siti, et al., develop the expert system based on the web using the Forward Chaining method for diagnosing rubber plant diseases is the best solution to recognize the symptoms of the disease in rubber plants as early as possible, find out the cause of the disease and how to control it [27]. Yusra develop an expert system based on forward chaining and certainty factor diagnosis was undertaken with the aim to help the process the result the diagnoses damage to a smartphone, so that they do not take a long time to make sure the result the diagnoses further, with the result of 73,33 % [28]. Robby develop an application based on Forward Chaining to diagnose Covid19 that uses a continuous trace system that will detect every symptom experienced by the patient, in the case of Pandeglang Banten, Indonesia [29]. Pahlevi and Atmojo develop an Android-based application to diagnose the disease of cocoa plant using Forward Chaining, where tracking begins with the selection of symptoms experienced than the results of the diagnosis in the form of cocoa plant diseases reported [30]. Putri, et al, develop a web-based application using the Forward Chaining method to knowing someone's personality by some of the questions to the user [31]. Syhaputri, et al., design and implementation the expert system based on the web to analyzed oily facial skin using the forward chaining method, which was caused by various kinds of symptoms that attack everyone's facial skin, especially oily facial skin disease [32].

Research on the information system for diagnosing pregnancy disorders to pregnant women, also has been conducted by some of previous researches. Abdillah, et al., proposed an expert system based on web using Forward Chaining method, to give the obstetric and antenatal care for pregnant women, to diagnose the 13 types of the illness or diseases [33]. Aji, et al., describe their research about the use of Certainty Factor (CF) in the form of digital expert system diagnosis of diseases of pregnant women [34]. Maryani and Haryanto designed an expert system using the Forward Chaining method, to find out diseases suffered by pregnant women, where disease data are based on existing facts, through interviews and references [35]. Hasbiyanor and Bahar, develop an expert system based on web using Certainty Factor method, to help midwife in diagnosing diseases pregnant women rapidly [36]. Afiana, et al., focus on develop an expert system desktop based application using Forward Chaining method, to help midwives and obstetricians in diagnosing disorders that occur during pregnancy caused by symptoms that appear, with the case study at Purwosari East Java (Indonesia) [37].

Meanwhile, some of previous researcher of expert system for diagnosing pregnancy disorders, using another method than Forward Chaining and Certainty Factor. Mustafa and Kusrini in their research, describe about the development of a web-based expert system for diagnosing pregnancy disorders using Bayes Theorem, with the case study of Jayapura, Papua Province (Indonesia) [38]. Minardi and Suyatno developed an expert system using Dempster-Shafer Theory to diagnose pregnancy disorders with mathematical representations [39].

All of these previous researches have contributed to develop an application using Forward Chaining and Certainty Factor or another method (Bayes Theorem, Dempster-Shafer Theory), but it is not effective, not reliable in the network, and did not including woman pregnant as main user to testing the application. In this research, the main contribution is the use of Cloud computing technology on the application, the use of the Technology Acceptance Model (TAM) for user testing, and including the user (pregnant woman) to diagnosing herself using this application. It can make the application more effective and reliable to users in case of a pregnant woman to diagnose herself.

2. RESEARCH METHOD

This study aims to optimize the results of the diagnosis of disorders in pregnant and childbirth women using the Forward Chaining Methods. Design Science Research Methodology (DSRM) was used in this study, with 8 sequential steps as shown in Figure 1 below:



Figure 1. Design Science Research Methodology (DSRM) with 8 steps

2.1. Literature Study

Data obtained from literature studies and case studies in the field, to determine the weight of the criteria for each symptom of disease and disorders in pregnant and childbirth women. The weight of each symptom is carried out through the use of a questionnaire to the user, to support the Forward Chaining method with some data in a table.

2.2. Data Collection

Pregnancy disorders in pregnant women and giving birth, have various types, where each type has many symptoms. Table 1 presents the types of diseases and disorders that can be identified in the system:

No	Disease	Disorder
1	Chronic Hypertension	Blood pressure greater than 120/80 mmHg, gestational age less than 20 weeks, proteinuria, have a history of hypertension before pregnancy,
		multiparous, there is a history of decreased hypertension in the family
2	Superimposed Pre-Eclampsia	Blood pressure greater than 120/80 mmHg, gestational age less than 20 weeks, proteinuria, have a history of hypertension before pregnancy
3	Gestational Hypertension	Blood pressure greater than 120/80 mmHg, gestational age more than 20 weeks, proteinuria, proteinuria is persistent, experiencing heartburn, have thrombocytonenia
4	Mild Pre-Eclampsia	Blood pressure greater than 120/80 mmHg, gestational age more than 20 weeks, proteinuria, proteinuria yield more than 300 mg / day
5	Severe Pre-Eclampsia	Blood pressure greater than 120/80 mmHg, gestational age more than 20 weeks, proteinuria, platelets less than 100,000 mm3, Proteinuria yield 2.0 g/day, having oliguria, urine volume/day less than 400 ml/hour, blood pressure increased > 160/110 mmHg, stunted fetal growth, have increased levels of the enzyme ALT or AST, LDH/Lactate Dehydrogenase is increased, have a severe headache
6	Eclampsia	Blood pressure greater than 120/80 mmHg, gestational age more than 20 weeks, proteinuria, having a seizure that occurs is comprehensive
7	Epilepsy	Normal blood pressure or equal to 120/80 mmHg, have a seizure, have a history of epilepsy
8	Malaria	Normal blood pressure or equal to 120/80 mmHg, headache, fever, stiff neck, disorientation, loss of consciousness
9	Migraine	Normal blood pressure or equal to 120/80 mmHg, headache, visual disturbances, vomiting
10	Tetanus	Normal blood pressure or equal to 120/80 mmHg, trismus, muscle spasm, stiff in the face, stiff in the neck, stiff in the nape, stiff stomach
11	Hypotension	Blood pressure less than 120/80 mmHg, frequent fatigue, fainting, depression, stress, difficulty concentrating

Table 1. Type of disease and disorders at pregnancy and childbirth woman

2.3. Requirement Analysis

At this Requirement Analysis stage, the analysis is taken from the collected information about disease and disorders of pregnancy and childbirth women, to support the process of developing the program. After getting the required information, subsequently, all prerequisites were analyzed and defined to complete the system. This phase found functional and non-functional requirements before developing the application based on the web.

2.4. System Design

The design was developed after reaching a complete definition of the prerequisites from the Requirement Analysis phase. The development of a system using an object-oriented paradigm, so that UML must be created. A Flow Chart Diagram and Use Case Diagram was created, as shown at Figure 2 and Figure 3 below.



Figure 2. Flow Chart Diagram



Figure 3. Use Case Diagram

2.5. Forward Chaining Implementation

Forward Chaining method is one of the method that based on inference engines with condition-action rule. In the Forward Chaining method, the data used to determine which rules will be executed consecutively. The process will be repeated until an outcome has been located.

Based on Fauzan and Prananda rules on their research [40], the use of the Forward Chaining on expert system will be presented as three rules below:

Rule 1: If the premise 1 And the premise 2 And the premise 3 Then the conclusion 1.

Rule 2: If the premise 1 And the premise 3 And the premise 4 Then the conclusion 2.

Rule 3: If the premise 2 And the premise 3 And the premise 5 Then the conclusion 3.

Rule 4: If the premise 1 And the premise 4 And the premise 5 And the premise 6 Then the conclusion 4.

Based on these rules, in the implementation of the web application, the user login into the system, answers the questions based on the premises (diseases and disorders) from the list displayed by the application. Based on the selected premises, the application will search for the appropriate rules. Afterward, the conclusions can be retrieved and show to the user in the form of an online diagnosis result.

2.6. Hybrid Cloud Design and Implementation

As the network and resource infrastructure, this research using both Public Cloud and Private Cloud in form of Hybrid Cloud. The Cloud Computing system implementation using both of Openstack and Kubernetes on Ubuntu Linux operating system, including with Virtual Machine (VM) and stack. With the Hybrid Cloud form, users can access it from both public network (internet) and private networks, with the power of Cloud Computing technology in resource computation on Cloud Virtual Machine and Kubernetes stack, to make it more secure and reliable on network. The design and implementation of Hybrid Cloud Computing, shown in Figure 4 and Figure 5 as below:



Figure 4. Hybrid Cloud Design



Figure 5. Hybrid Cloud Implementation

3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

3.1. Diagnosis Phase of Diseases and Disorders Using Forward Chaining

The system starts from the data initialization for disease symptoms of pregnancy and childbirth woman and then displayed on the system. In this case, pregnancy and childbirth woman login to the system as a user, then answers some of the questions regarding their symptoms. Then if there are additional symptoms, they will be reinserted until all symptoms are completely inputted. Furthermore, the system searches for related diseases using Forward Chaining. The result will be shown to the user by the system and user can print out it. Some of screenshot of the system during the testing are shown in Figure 6, Figure 7, Figure 8, and Figure 9 below:

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Figure 6. User Login to the System

Figure 7. One of the Question from System to User During Diagnose

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Persentase:	60 persen
Gejala Umum:	1. Apakah tekanan darah lebih dari 120/80 mmHg ?
	2. Apakah usia kehamilan kurang dari 20 minggu ?
	3. Apakah proteinuria/tes celup urine ?
	4. Apakah memiliki riwayat hipertensi sebelum kehamilan ?
	5. Apakah menderita multipara ?
	6. Apakah ada riwayat hipertensi menurun dalam keluarga ?
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	mmhg dan atau tekanan darah diastolik lebih atau sama dengan 90 mmhg yang telah ada
	sebelum kehamilan, yang bertahan sampai lebih dari 20 minggu pasca partus 1 atau setelah 12
	minggu.
Pengobatan:	Konsultasi ke dokter.
Pencegahan:	Selain minum obat sesuai yang diresepkan dan konsultasi dengan dokter secara teratur, Anda
	perlu merawat diri Anda sendiri untuk mengurangi risiko komplikasi jangka panjang hipertensi,
	seperti penyakit jantung atau ginjal dan stroke. Cobalah untuk mempertahankan gaya hidup
	sehat, memberikan perhatian khusus pada menu makan dan berat badan, hindari tembakau,
	dan membatasi alkohol yang Anda minum.
Waktu Diagnosa:	06 September 2020 23:23:43

Figure 8. Diagnose Result

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3.2. The Experiment

The testing of the experiment was executed by comparing the results of the expert system to the obtained information from the experts. The experts were some doctors from Obstetricians that having expertise in their field, with the result is some of pregnant women. The experimental scenario shows that the system was able to search for the specific diseases and disorders established.

4. CONCLUSION

From this research, the pregnant woman can do online self-diagnosis more easier and they also can print out the result. The system also more secure and reliable with Hybrid Cloud Computing technology. This expert system application can be well operated and is advised to be applied. This expert system can be analyzed and developed further. Dynamicization and interferences in the knowledge or diagnostic data such as data on symptoms, diseases, and other solutions can be developed further by the expert.

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