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Introduction

Businesses in today's digital environment rely more on a variety of software programs to boost output, optimise processes, and facilitate decision-making. Technology now forms the foundation of most business operations, from office programs that make data analysis and documentation easier to e-commerce website builders that help companies maintain a strong online presence. contact and collaboration solutions, which facilitate real-time contact between geographically separated teams and guarantee operational continuity, are equally crucial. [1]

This study examines a few important business-enabling software categories. First, the significance of contemporary e-commerce website-building solutions in digital commerce is highlighted. The idea of mind mapping is then covered, along with a mind map that shows modern software programs utilised in routine organisational chores. Additionally, the paper assesses four key office programs Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, Excel, and Access with an emphasis on their features, advantages, and potential drawbacks. It also includes hands-on examples of a few Excel capabilities. Lastly, the study examines a collaboration and communication tool that are frequently utilised in contemporary workplaces and is backed by real-world testing. [2][3]

Task 1. e-Commerce Website builders or software solutions

1.1 WooCommerce

WooCommerce is a popular open-source e-commerce plugin for WordPress that lets users turn any WordPress website into a fully operational online store. Its versatility, which enables companies to offer tangible goods, digital goods, subscriptions, reservations, or services, is its biggest asset. Because WooCommerce is open source, it offers considerable customization options, allowing developers to customize shop functionality through themes, plugins, and custom code. This makes it suited for both small businesses and larger corporations that require tailored solutions.

WooCommerce interacts easily with a wide selection of payment methods such as Stripe, PayPal, and local banking systems, providing secure and smooth transactions. Additionally, it provides a variety of shipping choices, tax setups, and inventory controls, giving business owners a full range of operational management tools. Another significant benefit is its wide ecosystem of extensions, allowing customers to add features like comprehensive analytics, automated marketing tools, multi-currency compatibility, and point-of-sale systems.

The platform is user-friendly, making it accessible even for beginners who have minimal WordPress experience. However, WooCommerce's speed depends greatly on the

hosting environment, meaning businesses may require optimized hosting for larger traffic. All things considered, WooCommerce is still a well-liked option because of its low cost, flexibility, and robust community support, which makes it perfect for students, business owners, and expanding companies seeking complete control over their online store [4]

1.2 Wix

Wix is a cloud-based website builder that enables users to construct polished websites without the need for technical know-how or coding. The platform's drag-and-drop editor, which enables users to quickly and easily customize layouts, photos, text, and design components, is one of its most prominent features. Wix is very adaptable for a range of business requirements because it provides several contemporary, responsive templates that are appropriate for online stores, portfolios, service websites, and blogs.

Wix offers integrated e-commerce capabilities that let users track orders, process payments, manage inventory, sell goods, and provide discount codes. The platform is appropriate for small and medium-sized businesses because it has integrated payment gateways and facilitates international delivery. To help consumers expand their online presence, Wix also provides marketing tools including social media integration, email automation, SEO optimization options, and analytics dashboards.

Additionally, Wix offers Wix ADI (Artificial Design Intelligence), an AI-powered website builder that creates a customized website according to user preferences and business type. Beginners who need a quick and simple setup will find this option extremely useful. Despite its ease of use, Wix has many drawbacks, such as limited access to backend coding and less flexibility than open-source platforms like WooCommerce. However, it is perfect for businesses, freelancers, and students that want a visually pleasing website with little technical work because of its simplicity and all-in-one capability. [5]

Task 2. Mind-map of contemporary software applications

A. Mind Mapping and Its Benefits in Business Operations

Using branches, keywords, colours, and images to indicate connected concepts, mind mapping is a visual method for organising information around a main idea. Mind mapping, made popular by Tony Buzan in 1993, allows people to record and connect ideas in a non-linear manner by simulating the brain's natural associative processes. The main topic of a mind map is usually positioned in the middle of the page, with secondary concepts branching outward and sub-branches that divide information into

increasingly specific parts. Instead, then using typical linear text, this structure presents information graphically, which fosters creativity, comprehension, and memory.

Strategic planning, project management, problem-solving, brainstorming, research analysis, meeting preparation, and process improvement are just a few of the business operations tasks that mind mapping is utilised for. Its capacity to improve idea generation is one of its main advantages. Employees are more inclined to investigate unusual connections and come up with a variety of solutions since mind mapping promotes non-linear thinking. During brainstorming meetings, when teams must swiftly record ideas and recognise developing themes, this can be extremely helpful. According to Buzan (2006), mind mapping promotes free association among related concepts and lessens cognitive restrictions, which can boost creativity.

The ability of mind mapping to provide structure and clarity is another advantage. Large volumes of complicated data, such as project requirements, customer insights, operational data, or strategic objectives, are frequently managed by businesses. By dividing this data into digestible chunks, mind maps facilitate the analysis of linkages and the identification of priorities. A study by Davies (2011) found that mind mapping enhances comprehension and information structure, helping users understand complex ideas more efficiently.

Additionally, mind mapping is useful for teamwork and communication. Team members may immediately grasp a project's scope, comprehend their duties, and identify task interdependencies with the aid of visual representations. Mind maps can be used to record conversation topics in real time during meetings, making it easier for participants to follow the flow of ideas and contribute more successfully. Mind maps help lessen miscommunication, which is crucial for effective company operations, because they convey information succinctly and precisely.

Additionally, mind mapping enhances decision-making and problem-solving skills. Teams can obtain a more comprehensive grasp of a problem by graphically outlining its possible origins, effects, and remedies. This method encourages people to see how various components interact, which is consistent with systems thinking. By enabling teams to graphically compare possibilities and evaluate trade-offs, mind maps can aid in the prioritisation of solutions.

Finally, mind mapping supports productivity and time management. Professionals often use mind maps to plan tasks, outline reports, design workflows and set objectives. The visual structure allows for quick navigation and modification, which is particularly useful in fast-paced business environments where plans must be updated regularly.

Overall, mind mapping is a versatile and powerful tool that enhances creativity, communication, organisation and decision-making across a wide range of business activities. [6]

a. Create a mind map of contemporary software application



Task 3. Office Applications

a. Four office software solutions for business operations

MS Word



One of the most popular word processing programmes, Microsoft Word is made to assist users in creating, editing, and formatting text-based documents. It is a fundamental part of the Microsoft Office suite and is frequently utilized in professional, corporate, and educational settings. Word's rich formatting features, which help users change fonts, colours, spacing, and layouts to create reports, letters, resumes, and assignments that seem professional, are among its main advantages. By offering pre-made structures for various document kinds, features like templates make the process of creating documents easier.

Additionally, Microsoft Word has sophisticated features like voice typing, translation, grammar check, and spell check that help users write more accurately and clearly. Multiple individuals can edit and improve the same document by using the Review tab, which facilitates collaboration through comments, track changes, and document comparison. This is especially helpful for peer assessments, business pitches, and collaborative tasks.

Word's support for photos, charts, tables, SmartArt, and hyperlinks is another important feature that improves the way information is presented. It is perfect for academic writing because users may add headers, footers, page numbers, and references like bibliographies and citations. Users may view papers from many devices thanks to real-time cloud storage and collaboration made possible by integration with Microsoft OneDrive.

Additionally, Word enables mail merge, a potent tool for customizing emails, labels, and letters. This is particularly helpful for marketing and commercial communication duties. Documents are legible and inclusive for all users thanks to accessibility tools like the Immersive Reader and accessibility checker.

All things considered, Microsoft Word's versatility, usability, and wealth of features that facilitate the development of both personal and professional documents make it an indispensable tool. [7]

MS PowerPoint

A popular presenting tool in business, education, training, and professional communication is Microsoft PowerPoint. It enables users to combine text, graphics, charts, audio, and video to create visually captivating slideshows. PowerPoint is an effective tool for presenting information in an organized and visually appealing manner because of its user-friendly interface and wide range of design options. With the application's extensive selection of templates and design styles, users may quickly produce polished presentations.



Multimedia support is one of PowerPoint's main advantages. To make presentations more dynamic and interesting, users can use sound effects, animations, and movies. Presenters can regulate the information flow and emphasize important points with the help of the animation and slide transition tools. This is especially helpful for sales speeches, school instruction, and business meetings.

Another useful tool is the Presenter View feature, which shows notes, timers, and future slides on the presenter's screen while the audience just sees the primary slide. This guarantees a seamless delivery and boosts the speaker's confidence. Through Microsoft 365 integration, PowerPoint facilitates collaboration by enabling several users to edit a presentation at the same time from various devices.

PowerPoint also has facilities for creating tables, charts, and SmartArt images, which makes it straightforward to convey complicated information in an understandable and eye-catching way. Presentations can be saved as PDFs, videos, or photos using PowerPoint's export options, giving users flexibility for sharing and dissemination.

The program is also frequently utilized in e-learning, where teachers produce lectures and instructional materials. PowerPoint is a useful tool for producing digital learning materials because of capabilities like screen recording and slideshow narration. All things considered, PowerPoint is crucial for effectively and professionally conveying concepts in a variety of contexts. [8]

MS Excel

A robust spreadsheet program for data entry, analysis, computation, and visualization is Microsoft Excel. Because of its capacity to manage massive datasets and carry out intricate computations, it is extensively utilized in a variety of fields, including finance, education, engineering, business, and research. Rows, columns, and cells make up Excel's layout, which enables users to arrange data in an organized manner. Excel's vast collection of formulae and functions, which facilitate mathematical, statistical, logical, financial, and engineering computations, is one of its main advantages.



Charts, graphs, and pivot tables are among the data visualization tools included in Excel. Pivot tables are particularly useful for business reporting and decision-making because they allow users to swiftly summarize and analysis huge datasets.

By highlighting patterns and trends in data, conditional formatting enhances communication and interpretation.

Excel's ability to automate activities using macros and Visual Basic for Applications (VBA) is another important feature. With the help of these tools, users can write unique scripts that effectively complete tedious jobs, saving time and minimizing human mistake. Additionally, Excel allows users to import data from databases, websites, and other software programs by integrating with external data sources.

Regression analysis, forecasting, and statistical tests are among the sophisticated analytical tools offered by Excel's Data Analysis Tool pak. Excel is helpful for researchers, data analysts, and financial planners because of these features. Microsoft 365's collaboration features enable numerous users to modify a spreadsheet at once, making it appropriate for group projects and corporate processes.

Overall, Excel is an essential tool for managing, analysing, and visualising data. Its combination of powerful features, flexibility, and ease of use makes it one of the most important software applications in both academic and professional environments. [9]

MS Access

Large amounts of structured data can be stored, managed, and analysed using Microsoft Access, a database management system (DBMS). Access is specifically made to handle relational databases, in which data is arranged into tables connected by relationships, in contrast to spreadsheet programs like Excel. Because of this, Access is an effective tool for users that need to handle complex data more effectively. Small and medium-sized businesses, educational institutions, and organizations that need customized databases without the complexity of enterprise-level systems frequently use it.



The ability to construct tables, queries, forms, and reports is one of Access's primary features. While queries let users to search, filter, and arrange data according to criteria, tables contain the raw data. Forms offer an easy-to-use interface for entering data, which lowers errors and increases consistency. Reports are helpful for business analysis and decision-making because they allow users to present facts in an organized, expert manner.

Additionally, Access supports SQL (Structured Query Language), which enables sophisticated users to automate procedures and create intricate queries. Access macros increase productivity by automating repetitive processes. The program enables users to easily create databases by providing templates for inventory management, customer monitoring, project planning, and other business requirements.

Data exchange and workflow automation are made possible by Microsoft Access's integration with other Office programs, including Excel and Outlook. It is appropriate for hybrid data solutions since it can link to external data sources including SQL Server, SharePoint, and online databases. Access is perfect for small teams and organizations

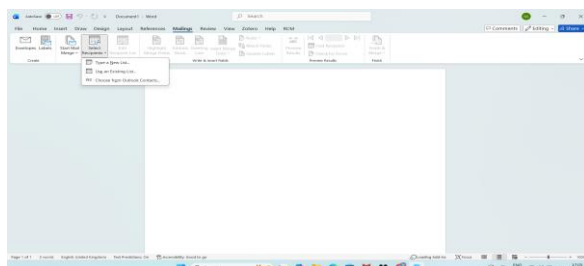
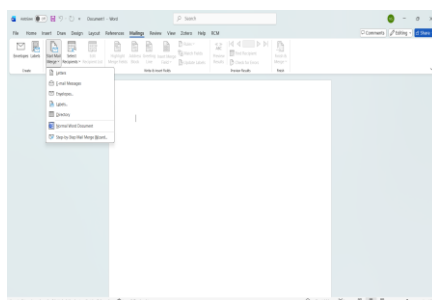
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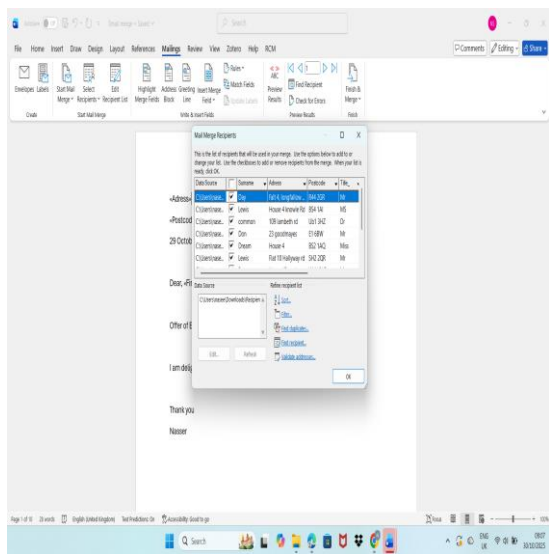
All things considered, Microsoft Access is a useful tool for organizing and evaluating structured data. It is a crucial tool for both academic and professional settings because of its integration capabilities, relational database features, and user-friendly tools. [10]

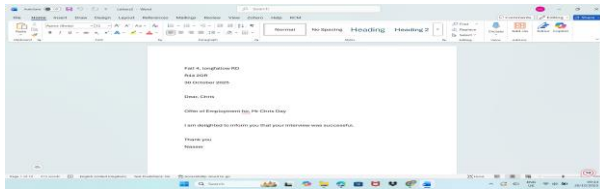
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MS	Cami	Lewis	House 4 knowle Rd	BS4 1Al	Bristol
Dr	Neatley	common	109 lambeth rd	Ub1 3HZ	London
Mr	Carian	Don	23 goodmayes	E1 6BW	London
Miss	Joy	Dream	House 4	BS2 1AQ	Liverpool
Mr	Nano	Lewis	Flat 10 Hallyway rd	SH2 2QR	London
Mr	Leo	Begum	House 15 condemn rd	W1U 3AF	Manchester
Dr	John	Huddy	Flat 211 Grace Rd	CH41 5LH	Liverpool
Miss	Sadaf	Naz	32 longfallow rd	E18 8NP	London
Dr	Raheel	Bhatti	Uppney 200 Rd	RM11 2KR	London







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Task 4. Communication and Collaboration applications

a. One contemporary Communication and one Online Collaboration applications/tools

MS Outlook

One of the most popular modern communication tools in both business and educational settings is Microsoft Outlook. Outlook is generally used as an email client as part of the Microsoft 365 suite, but it also incorporates calendaring, contact management, task tracking, and scheduling tools. Because of this combination, it is a multipurpose communication tool intended to improve professional communication and expedite organisational procedures. Outlook's ability to combine several communication channels into a single interface is one of its main advantages. This allows users to handle emails, meetings, appointments, and tasks without having to transfer between different platforms. [14] [15]

Advanced features including message classification, rules, flags, encryption, and spam filtering are supported by Outlook's email system. In settings with significant email

traffic, these tools enable users to effectively manage communication and sustain productivity. Outlook's close integration with Microsoft Exchange Server and Microsoft 365 enables synchronisation between computers, laptops, tablets, and smartphones. This guarantees that users will always have access to their schedule and communication data, no matter where they are.

Outlook's calendar feature is another crucial feature. Resource reservations, availability sharing, and single or recurring meeting scheduling are all supported by the calendar. Through connection with Microsoft Teams, users may see the schedules of their coworkers, suggest meeting times, and instantly create conference links. This encourages planning efficiency and minimises communication delays, both of which are critical in hectic work settings. Outlook's built-in time-zone identification, scheduling assistant, and reminders further improve its usability for international collaboration.

MS Teams

As a component of the Microsoft 365 ecosystem, Microsoft Teams is a cloud-based online platform for collaboration and communication. Teams has grown to be a vital tool for digital collaboration in businesses and academic institutions since its launch. With just one interface, it facilitates file sharing, video conferencing, chat, and project management. Teams has been crucial in facilitating effective teamwork without geographical restrictions as remote and hybrid work models have grown in popularity.

The foundation of Teams is the idea of "teams" and "channels," where people work together in organised online environments. Members can organise the sharing of files, meeting notes, and messages by creating channels for various departments, courses, projects, or subjects. Transparency and continuity in conversations are provided via persistent chat threads, which guarantee that communication is saved and searchable.

Teams' ability to facilitate video conferences is one of its main advantages. With tools like screen sharing, breakout rooms, live captioning, call recording, and presentation modes, users can conduct planned or spontaneous meetings. Teams meetings are appropriate for industry partnerships, client meetings, and academic presentations because they benefit both internal and external participants. Easy scheduling and automatic meeting link creation are made possible by its Outlook interface.

Teams serve as a collaborative workspace as well. Word, Excel, and PowerPoint documents may be created, edited, and shared in real time by users thanks to connection with SharePoint and OneDrive. The ability for several users to edit the same document at once decreases wait times and boosts productivity. Planner, Trello, GitHub, Kahoot, and other learning management systems are just a few of the many third-party apps and bots that Teams supports. Teams can operate as a centralised

platform for project management and communication thanks to these connectors, which also improve teamwork.

Teams' main advantages are security and compliance. It gains access to enterprise-grade security features including end-to-end encryption, conditional access policies, data loss prevention, and sophisticated threat protection as part of the Microsoft 365 package. These characteristics guarantee data integrity and confidentiality, which are essential for businesses managing sensitive data.

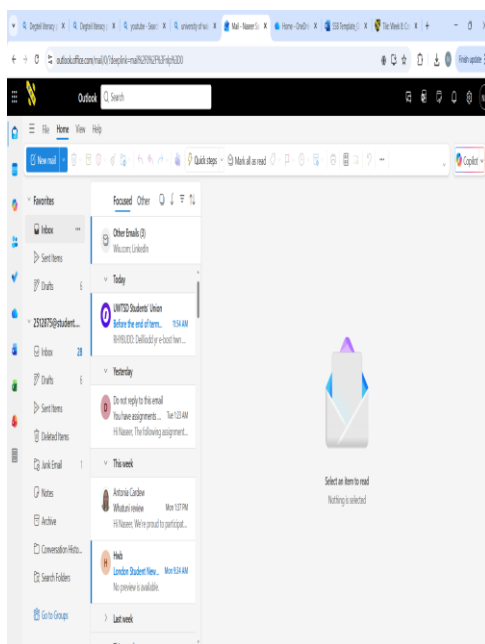
Additionally, Teams offers accessibility features including high contrast options, keyboard shortcuts, live captioning, and immersive readers. For a variety of users, including those with disabilities, these features guarantee fair access.

Teams is frequently used for online learning in educational settings thanks to features like assignments, class notes, and virtual classrooms. Teachers can host synchronous lessons, offer resources, and monitor student progress. Teams improves collaboration, decreases information fragmentation, and centralises communication and documentation inside team channels to lessen dependency on email in the workplace.

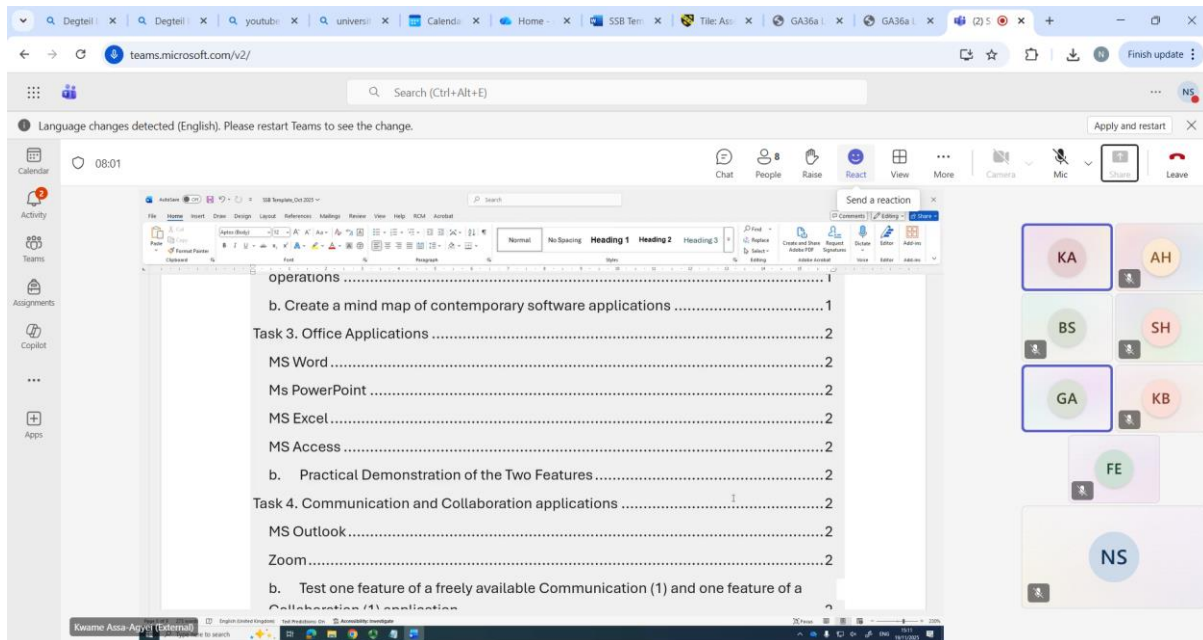
All things considered, Microsoft Teams is a crucial online collaboration solution that combines project coordination, document management, and communication. It is a complete solution for contemporary digital collaboration because of its adaptability, security, and interaction with the Microsoft ecosystem. [16][17][18]

b. One feature of a freely available Communication (1) and one feature of a Collaboration (1) application

MS Outlook



Ms Teams



Conclusion

To handle essential business operations more effectively, precisely, and cooperatively, modern organisations are depending more on digital tools and software ecosystems. This paper has shown how mind mapping facilitates idea generation, planning, and clarity, and how e-commerce website builders assist businesses in creating and maintaining a digital presence. It also covered key office programs including Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, Excel, and Access, emphasising their functions in database management, data processing, documentation, and presentations.

Excel functions were demonstrated practically to show how data analysis might help make well-informed decisions. The investigation of communication and collaboration technologies also highlighted how they facilitate seamless information exchange and real-time teamwork.

Overall, the results demonstrate that using these digital tools effectively raises an organization's competitiveness and productivity. Proficiency with these programs will continue to be essential for operational success as firms continue to function in increasingly digital and global contexts.

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