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# Reducing the Operation Lead Time using Integrated Standardized Service Time and Tailor-Made Value Stream Mapping

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Received: 17 December 2023 Abstract Accepted: 08 April 2024 This study measures the performance of service operations of a café with waiting and service time parameters for customer satisfaction. The study contributes to reducing the lead time through standardized service time using Tailor-made Value Stream Mapping, Root Cause Analysis (RCA), and Time Study. This study observes the writer during a service operation at a café. The current state of VSM is created and followed by time study and analysis. The RCA is constructed based on brainstorming activity. It is suggested to improve the current process which is reflected in the future-state VSM. Lastly, this paper compares overall performance before and after the improvement implementation to conclude the effectiveness of this study. The result shows the increasing performance for food and beverage service in terms of VA, NNVA, NVA, LT, and PCE indicators. Ultimately, the lead times for serving beverages and appetizers decreased by 2.654 and 13.13 minutes, respectively. Keywords Tailor-made value stream mapping; Root cause analysis; Time study; Increasing performance; Lead times.

# Introduction

It is evident that competition between manufacturers has become increasingly incisive (Nurprihatin et al., 2020). Companies constantly compete for solutions to overcome challenges and competition in the current dynamic market environment (Sinha & Matharu, 2019). Many companies focus on increasing the efficiency and effectiveness of their service operation process due to the increase in competitiveness between the supply chain and the fast service time (Polas et al., 2018). Therefore, they prepare a fast-food restaurant as their option (Polas et al., 2018). Hence, this condition may threaten other food and beverage restaurants/cafes to compete in the market. This fact raises the urgency of outstanding performance in the service operation process to achieve customer satisfaction. Customer satisfaction plays an essential role in business growth. The satisfied customer can be transformed into a loyal customer that may help the company to market the product through word-of-mouth and invest in the company's financial growth for one or two periods later (Eklof et al., 2020). To maintain customer satisfaction, industries need to stabilize products and service operations (Gu et al., 2023). The performance of service operations can be measured through several parameters, such as service and waiting time (Weng et al., 2018). When these parameters achieve excellence, businesses will be more advanced in maintaining their competitiveness against competitors (Nurprihatin et al., 2019).

Developing the ability to overcome disruptions is essential for both survival and growth of a service industry due to various organizational resources that need to be developed or acquired through internal expansion and interactions in the supply chain (Ofori, 2024). In a service industry, it is imperative to deliver exemplary service in a manner that is both efficient and effective (Namin, 2017; Ngo, 2023). Enterprises within the service industry are always look-

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ing for innovative approaches to enhance their reputation and draw in new customers since customer demands hold immense importance in this field (Kiatkawsin & Sutherland, 2020). Hence, this industry heavily depend on the vast reservoirs of knowledge that are generated by a multitude of external sources, such as discerning consumers who provide valuable insights and feedback, trusted business partners who offer invaluable expertise and guidance, and even astute competitors who inadvertently push them to improve their service offerings (Dias et al., 2023; Huang & Liu, 2019; Sun & Lee, 2021).

A practical analysis of food industries demonstrated that profitability can be affected by various factors, including alterations in prices, exclusive offers, the introduction of new restaurants in the vicinity, and the prevailing economic situation of the locality (Moreno-Gené et al., 2023). Considering the relatively small profit margin that food service industry typically operate with, their ability to generate profit hinges on how well they execute their strategies and make decisions regarding their operational costs (Alonso-Almeida et al., 2018). Hence, operators are actively exploring fresh approaches to achieve favorable and enduring financial outcomes, all the while considering the dynamic nature of the business environment (Lambert et al., 2021).

Against that background, this study is implemented in a service industry to assesses the food and beverage service operation performance of Coffee Break, a small coffee shop in Pengadegan, Jakarta. This assessment is conducted to improve the business effectiveness and efficiency by assessing the supply chain flow, starting from raw material preparation. The operation flow includes receiving raw materials, producing them, and serving them as finished products (Nurprihatin et al., 2021; Andry et al., 2022). Coffee Break was founded in 2021. This coffee shop only has one barista. They offer dine-in and takeout services/transactions and are operated for 9 hours daily (5 pm–2 am). Coffee Break will reach its peak hour every 8–10 pm. Figures 1 and 2 show the transaction and activity classification of Coffee Break in percentage. Infer that 77% of transactions in the café are dine-in. In contrast, 23% of transactions are takeout. Besides, 55% of activities on coffee are for waiting, and 39% are for servicing.

The transactions are classified into two order categories for easier problem identification: beverage and appetizer. Every type of order consists of lead, service, and waiting times. Table 1 shows the time spend on every order category. On average, the lead time for beverages is 10.754 minutes; in contrast, the lead time for appetizers is 36.725 minutes. Currently, most of the activity on Coffee Break in both categories is non-

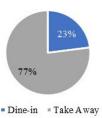


Fig. 1. Transaction classification Source: Author's own calculation

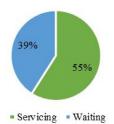


Fig. 2. Activity on coffee break Source: Author's own calculation

Table 1 Order time category

Time category	Beverage	Appetizer			
Lead time	10.754  minutes	36.725  minutes			
Service time	6.937 minutes	15.249 minutes			
Waiting time	3.817 minutes	21.476 minutes			

Source: Author's own calculation

value added (NVA) or equal to 35% and 42% NVA. Therefore, there must be further identification of the service operation process.

This study discusses the service operation performance improvement for dine-in transactions during the peak hour by integrating Tailor-made Value Stream Mapping, Root Cause Analysis, and Time Study. The Tailor-made Value Stream Mapping contributed to the service operation process and performance evaluation in current and future state value stream mapping (CS-VSM and FS-VSM). The assessment of the CS-VSM will be based on root cause analysis. Root causes analysis supports the problemsolving process based on the cause of every problem occurrence on the CS-VSM. Moreover, the times' study provides a standard time recommendation for every order category to achieve the optimum lead time for FS-VSM. The FS-VSM is created to illustrate the desired flow of value with reduced waste and accomplished lean production (Martins et al., 2021). It is expected that this study can help the business to ex-



amine its current process and improve it. As a result, the business can maximize its resources, produce highquality outcomes, and provide customers satisfaction (Nurprihatin et al., 2022).

## Literature review

With the main objective of improving process performance, this study embraces lean management focusing on Value Stream Map (VSM) implementation. VSM is a lean tool designed to visualize production lead time using components in a system (Landeghem & Cottyn, 2022). Lean is beneficial to improve workplace management through value identification and waste elimination; it is a multi-dimensional approach to transforming business strategies in maintaining higher efficiency and customer satisfaction from a process (Balinado & Tri Prasetyo, 2020; Hamdan & Hossain, 2022). There are various tools in lean; however, the tool that has been widely used over the years is the Value Stream Map due to its advancement in providing the illustration of material flow, cycle time, downtime, and inventories across operations (Carvalho et al., 2019).

Researchers commonly use VSM originated from Toyota, focused on wastage identification and elimination (Chavez et al., 2018). VSM is a powerful method that can be used to identify both Value Added (VA) and Nonvalue Added (NVA) activities from the segmented or whole value stream (Chuensunk et al., 2018; Salwin et al., 2021; Weng et al., 2018). The VSM supports the process of identifying the root cause of the problem but cannot be used to solve the problem itself (Salwin et al., 2021). Therefore, it is usually combined with another method, such as the root cause analysis.

Many studies have proven VSM's success in lean implementation for operational performance improvement. Valentina Nino and the other researchers have induced lean principles in a healthcare facility by using value stream mapping to break down further flow complexity, which decreased complaints by 40% (Nino et al., 2021). Beyond the manufacturing floor and processes, a study conducted by Kropsu-Vehkapera and Isoherranen elaborated on how VSM can make knowledge work jobs and intangible processes more concrete and structured (Kropsu-Vehkapera & Isoherranen, 2018). Another paper on Systematic Literature Review (SLR) investigated lean frameworks, and from this review, it was found that a study used the transformation-flow-value (TFV) to conduct flow studies to evaluate value while considering customers' needs (Mangaroo-Pillay & Coetzee, 2022). In addition, Martins and others presented the analysis of lean practices adoption in Portuguese. This analysis found that almost half of their respondents claim to use VSM as one of the tools in their lean activity; this frequency is proven to be higher than other tools, such as Jidoka, TPM, and Kanban (Martins et al., 2021). From these papers, it can be concluded that VSM is an effective tool for creating a leaner and more systematic workflow.

The VSM has been adjusted into a simple method to support waste identification in business processes. It is a versatile tool that can be modified to suit necessity. The modified method is named Tailor-made Value Stream Mapping. Previously, this method had been used for evaluating the service performance in the quotation process, preparation for quotation, and service (Stadnicka & Ratnayake, 2015, 2017, 2018). Currently, there are not many studies related to Tailor-made Value Stream Map. The researchers used references in Table 2 as the primary guideline for

	Industry	Problem identification	Objectives		
Stadnicka and Rat- nayake, 2015	Aircraft-spare-parts Manufacturing Firm (AMF)	Meetings with persons from the an- alyzed area, persons in charge, and persons connected to the activities.	Reducing waste, shortening lead time, optimizing overall prices		
Stadnicka and Rat- nayake, 2016	Telecommunication industry	Value Stream Analysis (VSA), 5 Whys analysis	Minimizing disturbance, improv- ing productivity		
Larsson et al., 2021	Engineering projects (focus on knowledge work)	Interview, "walk through" the system	Reducing engineering hours, low- ering costs, and increasing margin		
This paper	Cafe	Interviews, meetings, and RCA	Measuring performances and re- ducing lead time		

Table 2 Literature review



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conducting this study since these references used the same Tailor-made version of VSM as this study.

Stadnicka and Ratnayake implement the approach of Tailor-made VSM to analyze a business process in an Aircraft Manufacturing Firm (AMF). This study investigated drawbacks using Focus Group Discussion (FGD) with persons familiar with the area. The result shows that the lead time decreased from 256 to 101 days while the Value-added activities improved (Stadnicka & Ratnayake, 2015). The same authors in the telecommunication industry conducted another research. Instead of using FGD, Value Stream Analysis (VSA) and 5 Whys analysis are used to develop the Tailor-made VSM of the current state. With this approach, the authors managed to decrease the lead time and increase the PCE from 83% to 97 (Stadnicka & Ratnayake, 2016). Lastly, other research implemented this adjusted VSM for knowledge work in engineering projects (Larsson et al., 2021). The waste was identified in several project phases, non-value-adding activities were reduced, and process efficiency was improved (Larsson et al., 2021).

### Tailor-made Value Stream Mapping

The first step in Tailor-made Value Stream Mapping is creating the CS-VSM to picture the sequence of the service operation process. The creation of service operation streamlining uses several symbols. Table 3 shows the list of symbols in Tailor-made Value

Symbol	Meaning	Explanation
Ai	Activity $(A_i)$	Activity performed in the BP
sub- process	Sub-process $(SP_i)$	Sub-process, which will not be analyzed in detail during VSM analysis, performed as an element of an analyzed BP
decision Yes	Decision Point $(D_{ei})$	The decision point is when someone must approve something (YES), and the process can go further or, in the case of refusal (NO), some activity will have to be repeated, or additional activities will have to be performed
transfer	Information or material transfer	Information or material transfer from one to another activity takes time
<b>→</b>	Process Flow	The arrow shows the logical connection between one and another (next) step of the process
[ ]	Loop	The arrow shows the situation when some activities must be repeated; the arrow creates a loop
Wi	Waiting time $(W_i)$	Waiting time, which usually appears at that point of the process because the next activity must wait for a task
Di	Document $(D_i)$	The document which is necessary to perform an activity that is a result of an activity
	Problem $(P_i)$	A problem that was identified in the process

Table 3 Tailor-made value stream mapping symbols

Tailor-made value stream mapping symbols

Symbol	Meaning	Explanation
COLIDIA C	Solution of the problem $(S_i)$	Solution of a problem, which can improve the analyzed process
	Confusion $(C_i)$	Confusion causes a different person to perform an activity differently be- cause it is not precisely settled who the activity should be performed by
E CONTRA	Explanation of confusion $(E_i)$	Explanation of the confusion is usually in the form of a procedure or in- struction
0.5 days (4 hours) 4 days (52 hours)	Timeline	Timeline with the upper part symbolizing processing time and the lower part symbolizing waiting time. Some of these times are the lead time
2.5 days (2 hours) 2 days (16 hours) 7 mail sector	Time-saving	Time is saved because of the possibility of implementing improvement

Stream Mapping, complete with its meaning and explanation.

To calculate the service operation performance through the value stream analysis parameters Equations (1)–(3) are used.

$$T_p = \sum_{i=1}^n T_{VA_i} \,, \tag{1}$$

$$LT = T_P + \sum_{i=1}^{s} T_{NVA_i} + \sum_{i=1}^{m} T_{NNVA_i} , \qquad (2)$$

$$PCE = \frac{T_P}{LT} \cdot 100\%, \qquad (3)$$

where:

 $T_p$ - time processing, - time value added in the stream mapping,  $T_{VA_i}$ LT- lead time,  $T_{NVA_i}$ - time non-value added in the stream mapping,  $T_{NNVA_i}$  – time not necessary value added, PCE- Process Cycle Time, - number of  $T_{VA_i}$ , n- number of  $T_{NVA_i}$ , sm $-T_{NNVA_i}.$ The service operation performance calculation re-

sult in CS-VSMs is used as one parameter for an adjustment in the FS-VSM. The creation of FS-VSM uses the same symbol and equation as CS-VSM. Finally, the final stage of Tailor-made Value Stream Mapping compares the operating performance of CS-VSMs and FS-VSMs using Equations (4)–(8).

$$VAI = \frac{T_{(VACS)} - T_{(VAFS)}}{T_{VA(FS-CS)}} \cdot 100\%,$$
 (4)

$$NNVAI = \frac{T_{(NNVACS)} - T_{(NNVAFS)}}{T_{NNVA(FS-CS)}} \cdot 100\%, \quad (5)$$

$$NVAI = \frac{T_{(NVACS)} - T_{(NVAF)S}}{T_{NVA(FS-CS)}} \cdot 100\%,$$
 (6)

$$LTI = \frac{LT_{CS} - LT_{FS}}{LT_{CS}} \cdot 100\%,\tag{7}$$

$$PCEI = \frac{PCE_{FS} - PCE_{CS}}{PCE_{FS}} \bullet 100\%, \tag{8}$$

where:

VAI	_	Value Added Improvement,
NNVAI	_	Not Necessary Value Added Improve-
		ment,
NVAI	_	Non Value Added Improvement,
LTI	_	Lead Time Improvement,
PCEI	_	process Cycle Improvement,
$T_{(VACS)}$	_	Time Value Added on CS-VSM,
$T_{(VAFS)}$	_	Time Value Added on FS-VSM,
$T_{(NNVACS)}$	_	Time Not Necessary Value Added on
		CS-VSM,



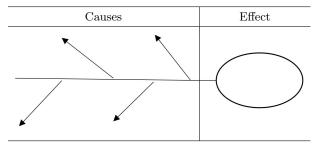
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$T_{(NNVAFS)}$	_	Time Not Necessary Value Added on FS-VSM,
$T_{(NVACS)}$	_	Time Non-Value Added on CS-VSM,
$T_{(NVAFS)}$	_	Time Non-Value Added on FS-VSM,
$LT_{CS}$	_	Lead Time on CS-VSM,
$LT_{FS}$	_	Lead Time on FS-VSM,
$PCE_{CS}$	_	Process Cycle Time on CS-VSM,
$PCE_{FS}$	_	Process Cycle Time on FS-VSM.

#### Root cause analysis

Root cause analysis is used to identify a problem in the CS-VSM further. This process asses the root cause of the problem in graphical format (Pan et al., 2019; Shinde et al., 2018), as shown in Table 4. The graphical format, also known as a fishbone diagram, is a statistical process control that is a part of the Total Quality Management (TQM) elements (Imeri et al., 2014).

Table 4Root Cause Analysis Template



Source: Author's own conception

#### Time study

Time Study requires seven steps, such as: 1) calculating the average cycle times, 2) defining a recommended number of cycle times, 3) data uniformity test, 4) performance rating calculation, 5) normal time calculation, 6) time allowance calculation, and 7) standard time calculation. The input for time study calculation is gathered by the cycle time in CS-VSM for both categories, beverage, and appetizer. All step's calculations use Equations (9)–(13). The generation of several cycle times and performance ratings are based on the Westinghouse method which is shown in Table 5 and 6.

Average Cycle Time = 
$$\frac{\sum x_i}{n}$$
, (9)

$$UCL = \bar{x} + k\sigma, \tag{10}$$

$$LCL = \bar{x} - k\sigma, \tag{11}$$

 Table 5

 Recommended Number of Cycles by Time Study Manual

Cycle time (min)	Recommended number of cycles
0.10	200
0.25	100
0.50	60
0.75	40
1.00	30
2.00	20
2.00 - 5.00	15
5.00 - 10.00	10
10.00 - 20.00	8
20.00-40.00	5
40.00 above	3

Source: Author's own calculation

Table 6 Westinghouse Method

		Skil	1			Effor	t	
+	0.15	A1	Super skill	+	0.13	A1	Excessive	
+	0.13	A2	Super skin	+	0.12	A2	EXCESSIVE	
+	0.11	B1	Excellent	+	0.10	B1	Excellent	
+	0.08	B2	Excellent	+	0.08	B2	Excellent	
+	0.06	C1	Good	+	0.08	C1	Good	
+	0.03	C2	Good	+	0.02	C2	Good	
+	0.00	D	Average	+	0.00	D	Average	
-	0.05	E1	Fair	-	0.04	E1	Fair	
-	0.10	E2	Fall	-	0.08	E2	ran	
-	0.16	F1	Poor	_	0.12	F1	Poor	
-	0.22	F2	1 001	-	0.17	F2	FUUI	
	C	Condit	tion	Consistency				
+	0.06	А	Ideal	+	0.04	Α	Perfect	
+	0.04	В	Excellent	+	0.03	В	Excellent	
+	0.02	С	Good	+	0.01	С	Good	
+	0.00	D	Average	+	0.00	D	Average	
-	0.03	Е	Fair	-	0.02	Е	Fair	
-	0.07	F	Poor	-	0.04	F	Poor	

Source: (Cevikcan & Kilic, 2016)

Normal Time = Average Cycle Time  $\times P$ , (12)

Standard Time = Normal Time

$$\times \frac{100\%}{100\% - Allowance}, \qquad (13)$$

where:

$x_i$	– available time,
U U	,
n	- output,
UCL	– Upper Control Limit,
LCL	– Lower Control Limit,
$\bar{x}$	- mean,
k	- constant,
$\sigma$	– standard deviation,
P	– performance rating.
If $P >$	> 1 – work fast: $P < 1$ – work slow

If P > 1 – work fast; P < 1 – work slow; P = 1 – normal speed.

# Research methodology

The systematic flow of the study is used to illustrate the study's steps. It is divided into several stages, including: 1) Data Collection, 2) Data Analysis and Interpretation, 3) Improvement Planning, and 4) Final Recommendation, Conclusion, and Suggestion. Each stage consists of several methods where all previous stages are used as input for the next stage. Figure 3 shows the flowchart of the research methodology used in this study.

Data Collection is the very first stage of this study. This activity aims to identify the problem that occurs in the café. A field study and literature review follow the problem identification. The field study was done through direct observation and interview sessions with one of the founders and the barista to gain information about the problem occurring and validate the problem identification. The field study also aims to identify the service family, the selection of the representative families, and the value stream component. Besides, the researchers also do a literature review to support the study's theoretical background. The preferable references are international journals, scientific articles, or books. This study will combine three different methods: Tailor-made Value Stream Mapping, RCA, and Time study. Therefore, the literature review will only focus on those three topics. Furthermore, this activity involves collecting the required data to support the analysis and interpretation process. For more detail, the data collection process is divided into two main operations such as 1) Identifying the CS-VSM and 2) Recording the time processing of every stage.

The next stage is the analyzed stage, where the gathered data from the previous process are processed. The analysis will be done using Tailor-made Value Stream Mapping and RCA. The result of the analysis will be interpreted through each analysis process. The analysis of CS-VSM is used to identify the exact current process in the food and beverage service operation. This process is also used to determine the bottleneck that resulted in a delay in the service operation process. The Root Cause Analysis (RCA) is used to identify the leading cause of each bottleneck based on the CS-VSM. The Root Cause Analysis (RCA) used in this study is a fishbone diagram.

The improvement planning will be based on the RCA and standard time. Thus, the problem will be solved based on its root cause. The improvement planning will be implemented on the FS-VSM. The output of this process is to develop a new value stream with fewer bottlenecks. After creating the FS-VSM, the researchers will give the final recommendations for service operation improvement. These recommendations are then presented to the barista and café owner as an effort to actualize the implementation of this research. This improvement part generated the optimum solution based on the calculation of Value Stream Analysis and the time study. The study's conclusion will also be generated based on the study's objectives. Moreover, the researchers will provide suggestions for future studies.

# **Results and discussion**

At the beginning of this research, the authors create a CS-VSM. There are two CS-VSMs presented in this report to represent the process of delivering beverages and appetizers. To identify the root cause of the bottleneck on the CS-VSM, the authors do a root cause analysis through a fishbone diagram. To assess the root cause, the authors created a discussion session with the café founder and barista. Then, a time

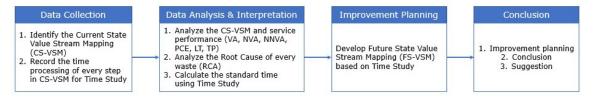


Fig. 3. Research methodology Source: Author's own conception



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study will be carried out to observe and measure process time. This process results in the standard time needed to improve process performances. After analyzing and calculating the standard time, the authors input the standard time into the FS-VSM; therefore, the FS-VSM is developed in the standardized time.

# Current-State Value Stream Map (CS-VSM)

Figure 4 and 5 show the CS-VSM of beverages and appetizers. Both categories have six main processes in sequence and four problem occurrences. The six main processes on CS-VSM are 1) waiting for the customer

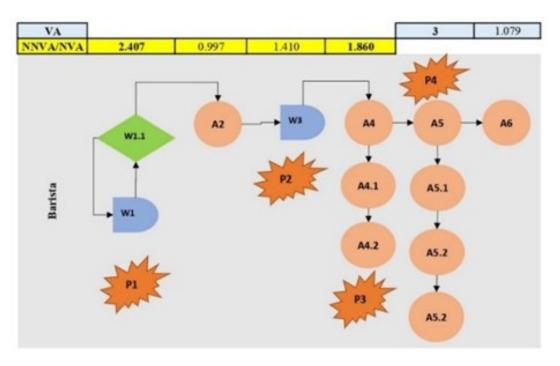


Fig. 4. CS-VSM for Beverage Source: Author's own conception

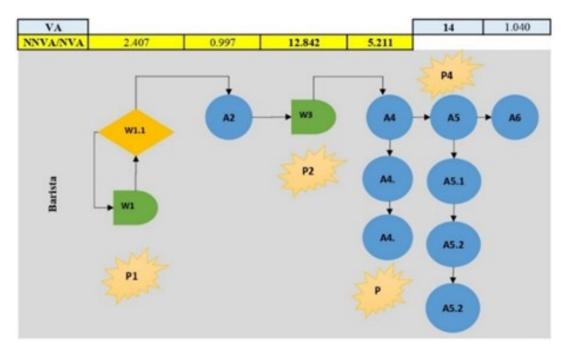


Fig. 5. CS-VSM for Appetizer Source: Author's own conception



to read the menu, 2) writing the order, 3) waiting for preparation, 4) preparation, 5) processing orders, and 6) delivering an order that is represented using symbols. The VA activity is represented above the NNVA/NVA on the top side of the flow chart. Tables 7 and 8 provide the meaning of the symbol, complete with activity classification (VA, NNVA, and NNVA). Tables 7 and 8 show the process of completing beverage and appetizer orders, respectively. From the classified activities, the process of receiving, com-

PIC	Symbol	Activity	Min	Max	Problem	Avg (min)	VA	NNVA	NVA
	W1	Waiting for the customer to read the menu	0	6	P1	2.407			2.407
	W1.1	Inform the availability		0	11	2.407			2.101
	A2	Write the order	0	9		0.997		0.997	
	W3	Waiting for preparation	0.2	3	P2	1.410			1.410
	A4	Preparation							
Barista	A4.1	Check the ingredient, glass, and plate availability	0.5	4	P3	1.860		1.860	
	A4.2	Take/buy/wash the ingredient, glass, and plate availability							
	A5	Process order							
	A5.1	Prepare ingredient	1.0	-	D4	2 000			
	A5.2	process ingredient	1.2	5	P4	3.000	3		
A5	A5.3	Finishing							
	A6	Deliver the order	1	2		1.079	1.079		1.079
		Total				10.754	4.08	2.86	3.817

 Table 7

 Beverage Activity Classification CS-VSM

Source: Author's own calculation

	Т	able 8	
Appetizer	Activity	Classification	CS-VSM

PIC	Symbol	Activity	Min	Max	Problem	Avg (min)	VA	NNVA	NVA
	W1	Waiting for the customer to read the menu	0	6	P1	2.407			2.407
	W1.1	Inform the availability		0	ГІ	2.407			2.407
Barista	A2	Write the order	0	9		0.997		0.997	
Darista	W3	Waiting for preparation	1	36	P2	12.842			12.842
	A4	Preparation							
	A4.1	Check the ingredient, glass, and plate availability	2	9	P3	5.211		5.211	
	A4.2	Take/buy/wash the ingredient, glass, and plate availability	2	9	P3	5.211		5.211	2
D : /	A5	Process order							
Barista	A5.1	Prepare ingredient		05	D4	14.000	14.000		
	A5.2	Process ingredient	6	25	P4	14.228	14.228		
	A5.3	Finishing							
	A6	Deliver the order	0.5	2		1.040	1.040		
		Total				36.73	15.27	6.208	15.249

Source: Author's own calculation



pleting, and delivering the order are the steps carried out by the café to produce its product. The duration from each of the activities were obtained from direct observations when the café is in operation.

Infer that the total time to process the beverage and appetizer order in CS-VSM is 10.754 and 36.725 minutes, respectively. Therefore, the total value-added activities for each category equals 38% and 42%; the rest is still considered NNVA and NVA, Fig. 6 and 7.

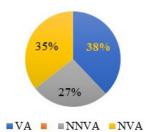
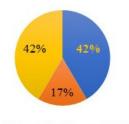
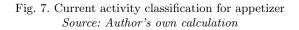


Fig. 6. Current activity classification for beverage Source: Author's own calculation



VA NNVA = NVA



#### Root cause analysis

Figure 8 informs 4-problems that occurred on the CS-VSMs such as 1) time-consuming for the customer to read the menu, 2) inconsistent speed of process order, 3) time-consuming preparation process, and 4) delay in processing the order. Based on the root cause analysis, that four-problem caused the ineffective F&B in the operation process. The complete cause of every problem is shown in Fig. 8.

#### Time Study

This study uses 101 samples for beverages and 57 samples for an appetizer. Three processes are converted into a standardized time such as preparation (A4), process order (A5), and delivery (A6). The average time and standard deviation of every process are shown in Table 9. In addition, Table 10 shows the recommended number of cycle times in beverages and appetizers. Table 11 shows the result of UCL and LCL of three processes on the beverage and appetizer. Based on its uniformity test, all activities in both categories are normally distributed. As mentioned, the performance rating is assessed based on the Westinghouse parameter. The barista's total performance rating is 0.97 or equal to a slow working rate since the P < 1, as shown in Table 12.

Table 13 shows the normal time of three processes for beverages and appetizers. Based on the calculation, the normal time for preparation, processing of the order, and beverage delivery are 2, 2.91, and 0.86 minutes. In contrast, the normal time for preparation, processing of orders, and delivery of appetizers are 3.23 minutes, 13.80 minutes, and 0.82 minutes. The

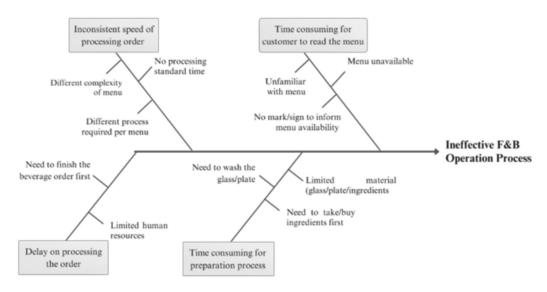


Fig. 8. Root cause analysis Source: Author's own conception



#	$\bar{x}$ beverage	$\bar{x}$ appetizer	$\sigma$ beverage	$\sigma$ appetizer
Preparation (Mins)	1.183	5.21	0.917	2.33
Process the Order (Mins)	5.218	14.23	3.189	5.71
Delivery of the Order (Mins)	0.891	0.85	0.146	0.20

Table 9 Average time and standard deviation

Source: Author's own calculation

Table 10 Recommended number of cycle times

Symbol	Activity	Beverage	Appetizer
A4	Preparation	30	10
A5	Process Order	10	8
A6	Delivery	40	40

Source: Author's own calculation

Table 11 UCL and LCL result

Symbol	Activity $\bar{x}$ $\sigma$ $k$		$UCL(\bar{x}+k\sigma)$	$LCL(\bar{x} - k\sigma)$		
A4	Preparation Beverage	1.183	0.917		-0.3	4.02
A4	Preparation Appetizer	5.21	2.33		-2.2	9
A5	Process Order Beverage	5.218	3.189	2	0.6	5
Ab	Process Order Appetizer	14.23	5.71		2.8	26
A6	Delivery Beverage	0.9	0.15		0.5	1
A0	Delivery Appetizer	0.8	0.20		0.6	1

Source: Author's own calculation

Table 12
Performance rating

Factor	Level	Score
Skill	Average(D)	0
Effort	Good (C2)	0.02
Condition	Fair (E)	-0.03
Consistency Fair (E)		-0.02
Normal Work C	1	
Total Performan	ice Rating (P)	0.97

Source: Author's own calculation

time allowance of the process is 18%, which consists of the time to take an ingredient, glass/plate, and the barista's personal needs. The time allowance shown in Table 14 is used for calculating the standard time. Finally, Table 15 concludes the normal time for preparing, processing orders, and delivering beverages and

Table 13 Normal time

#	Preparation (Min)	Process order (Min)	Delivery order (Min)
Beverage	2	2.91	0.86
Appetizer	3.23	13.80	0.82

Source: Author's own calculation

Table 14 Time allowance

Activity	Time (s)
Take ingredients, glass/plate	2
Personal need	20
Total time	22
Percentage	18%

Source: Author's own calculation



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Normai time							
#	Preparation (Min)	Delivery (Min)	Total (Min)				
Beverage	1.5	2.4	0.7	4.6			
Appetizer	2.6	11.3	0.7	14.6			

Table	15
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 $Source: \ Author's \ own \ calculation$ 

appetizers. The total time for the beverage is 4.6 minutes. On the other hand, the total time for an appetizer is 14.6 minutes.

# Future-State Value Stream Map (FS-VSM)

Figures 9 and 10 show the FS-VSM of beverages and appetizers after adjustment based on the standardized time. No process erases, only time is adjusted. After the adjustment, the beverage's total lead time is reduced to 8.1 minutes. On the other hand, suggest that the total lead time of the appetizer is reduced to 23.6 minutes. Table 16 and 17 show detailed information related to the time on every process sequence on the FS-VSMs. Alternatively, the adjustment increases VA activity by 69% on beverages and increases VA activity by 51% on the appetizer, as shown in Figs. 11 and 12.

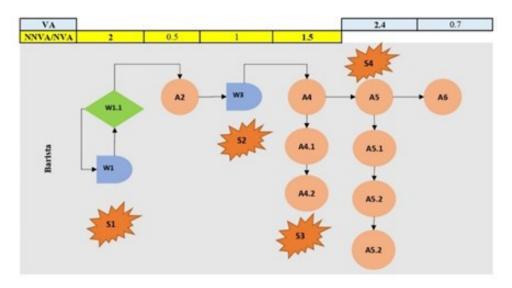


Fig. 9. FS-VSM for beverage Source: Author's own conception

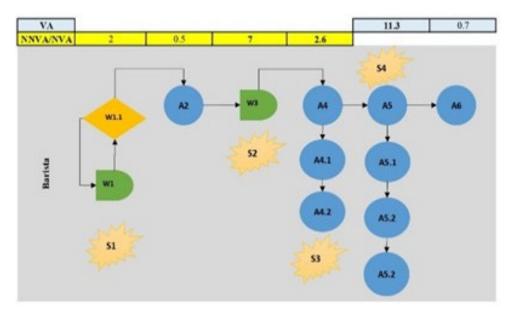


Fig. 10. CS-VSM for for appetizer Source: Author's own conception



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PIC	Symbol	Activity	Solution	Time (min)	VA	NNVA	NVA
	W1	Waiting for the customer to read the menu	S1	2			2
	W1.1	Inform the availability		4			2
	A2	Write the order		0.5		0.5	
Barista	W3	Waiting for preparation	S2	1			1
-	A4	Preparation				1.5	
	A4.1	Check the ingredient, glass, and plate availability	S3	1.5			
	A4.2	Take/buy/wash the ingredient, glass, and plate availability					
	A5	Process order	S4	2.4	2		
	A5.1	Prepare ingredient					
Barista	A5.2	process ingredient	S4	2.4	2		S4
	A5.3	Finishing					
	A6	Deliver the order		0.7	0.7		
Total				8.1	3.1	2	3

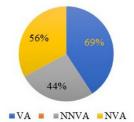
Table 16 Beverage activity classification FS-VSM

 $Source: \ Author's \ own \ calculation$ 

Table 17 Appetizer activity classification FS-VSM

PIC	Symbol	Activity	Solution	Time (min)	VA	NNVA	NVA
	W1	Waiting for the customer to read the menu		2			2
	W1.1 Inform the availability		S1	4			
Barista	A2	Write the order		0.5		0.5	
	W3	Waiting for preparation	S2	7			7
	A4	Preparation	S3	2.6		2.6	
	A4.1	Check the ingredient, glass, and plate availability		2.0		2.0	
	A4.2	Take/buy/wash the ingredient, glass, and plate availability	S3	2.6		2.6	
	A5	Process order		11.3	11.3		
Barista	A5.1	Prepare ingredient	S4				
	A5.2	process ingredient					
	A5.3	Finishing					
	A6	Deliver the order		0.7	0.7		
Total				23.6	12	3.1	8.5

 $Source: \ Author's \ own \ calculation$ 



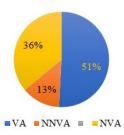


Fig. 11. Future activity classification for beverage Source: Author's own calculation

Fig. 12. Future activity classification for appetizer Source: Author's own calculation



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#### Performance analysis

Figures 13 and 14 illustrate the performance comparison between the CS-VSMs and FS-VSMs on the beverage. Figures 15 and 16 show the performance comparison between CS-VSMs and FS-VSMs on the appetizer. Both are presented based on the LT, VA, NNVA, NVA, service time, and waiting time in minutes.

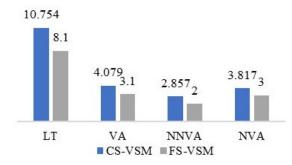


Fig. 13. CS-VSM vs FS-VSM beverage activity category (Min) Source: Author's own calculation

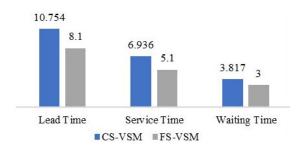


Fig. 14. CS-VSM vs FS-VSM beverage time category (Min) Source: Author's own calculation



Fig. 15. CS-VSM vs FSM appetizer activity category (Min) Source: Author's own calculation

There are reductions in time of overall indicators on beverages and appetizers after the adjustment based on the standard time. Therefore, there is an improvement in VA, NNVA, LT, and PCE performance. Table 18 shows the percentage of improvement in both categories, beverages, and appetizers.

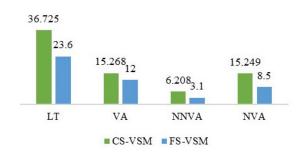


Fig. 16. CS-VSM vs FSM appetizer activity category (Min) Source: Author's own calculation

Table 18 Improvement percentage

#	VAI	NNVAI	NVAI	LTI	PCEI
Beverage	24%	29%	21%	25%	2.6%
Appetizer	21%	50%	44%	36%	20%

Source: Author's own calculation

# Conclusions and recommendation

In conclusion, the service operation flow of the CS-VSM is represented by the six main processes, namely waiting for the customer to read the menu, writing the order, waiting for preparation, preparation, processing the order, and delivery. Four problems occur on the CS-VSM such as 1) time-consuming for the customer to read the menu, 2) delay in processing the order, 3) time-consuming the preparation process, and 4) inconsistent speed of processing order. The causes of the first problem occurrence are 1) menu unavailability, 2) unfamiliarity with the menu, and 3) no mark to inform the menu availability. The causes of the second problem are limited human resources and the need to finish the previous order. Moreover, the root cause of the third problem is the limited resources such as glasses, plates, and ingredients. Finally, the root causes of the last problem are that there is no standard processing time due to the different menu complexity.

The improvement process suggests that the performance of the beverage service operation is increased by 24% in VA activity, 29% in NNVA activity, 21% in NVA activity, 25% in LT, and 2.6% in PCE. Moreover, the service performance also increases on the appetizer by 21% in VA activity, 50% in NNVA activity, 44% in NVA activity, 36% in LT, and 20% in PCE. The improvement was achieved through standardized service time in the beverage and appetizer categories. The standard time for preparing the order



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is 1.5 minutes for a beverage and 2.6 minutes for an appetizer. Hence, the standard time for processing the order for beverage and appetizer is 2.4 minutes and 11.3 minutes. Lastly, the standard time for delivering the order is 0.7 minutes.

Finally, the recommendations for the coffee break are 1) use a sign/mark for the unavailable menu to reduce the time for the customer to read the menu, 2) use a photo to illustrate the menu and reduce the time for the customer to ask about the menu, 3) facilitate the barista with the training to optimize performance, 4) add more resources (plates, glasses, and ingredients), the number of resources can be adjusted based on the average number of customers visited the café, 5) recruit more baristas so the process of beverage and appetizer can be done simultaneously, 6) use a standard time from this report as a reference for developing a new SOP for optimizing the process of every menu creation.

This research is limited to one case only, such as the dine-in process in a café during peak hours. This framework can be used as a reference to develop a standardized service time in takeout conditions or others. Moreover, the researchers can integrate the existing framework with simulation modeling for simulating the FS-VSMs before implementation. The simulation modeling may help reduce the cost of implementation and may support the process of finding the optimum solution in terms of the number of baristas, and other resources (table, plate, glass, etc.).

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