ABSTRACT

Heeding to his own experience as he, once, failed in a job interview, the writer, then, started to realize the importance of knowing the nature of job interview, especially dealing with the communicative effectiveness which may affect the future decision for the candidate's sake. The writer recognized that so far there is no research which is concerned with job interview in Bahasa Indonesia. He thinks that such a study will be a breakthrough.

In this thesis, the writer is trying to find out the patterns of communicative choice used by interactants – interviewer and candidate – during job interview interaction. The writer describes the structures and nature of job interview by dividing them into two major categories: Linguistic and Paralinguistic patterns. In linguistics pattern, the discussion is in the range of knowing the asymmetry power in the job interview interaction, which are reflected in certain type and function of interruptions and questions. As the interactants convey cues and vowel lengthening to pass on certain informational message, then the writer also describes the patterns of paralinguistic choice. The writer is able to show when, why, and how the patterns of the communicative choices are used by the interactants. Moreover, this study clearly shows that the communicative choices used by interactants in job interview specifically have certain patterns which totally differ from ordinary conversation nor other types of interaction.

The analysis also includes comprehensive and well-organized explanation of the data presentation, detailed analysis of the interpretation result, tables, and examples. The writer hopes that the study will provide cores for further research in job interview, especially by using discourse analysis approach.

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION