Video game database

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Abstract

Given the growing influence of video games and the likelihood that video games will be the focus of an increasing amount of research, we suggest that a comprehensive information resource game database could be of significant value to both player and publisher. The database will provide the latest game information, game strategies including news, guides and tips. Besides, the latest News will be updated automatically from social media.

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1.Introduction

Since the 1980s, video games have become an increasingly important part of the entertainment industry, and whether they are also a form of art is a matter of dispute.¹

With the growth of the market of video game, the development teams became more and more huge. Typically, a video game console development team can range in sizes of anywhere from 5 to 50 people, with some teams exceeding 100. ²

In this case, we create a video game database for both development team and video game player. On the one hand, this database including game information and review which can provide a feedback to publisher. On the other hand, video game player can easily choose game from given information and have better game

experience from given guide and tips.

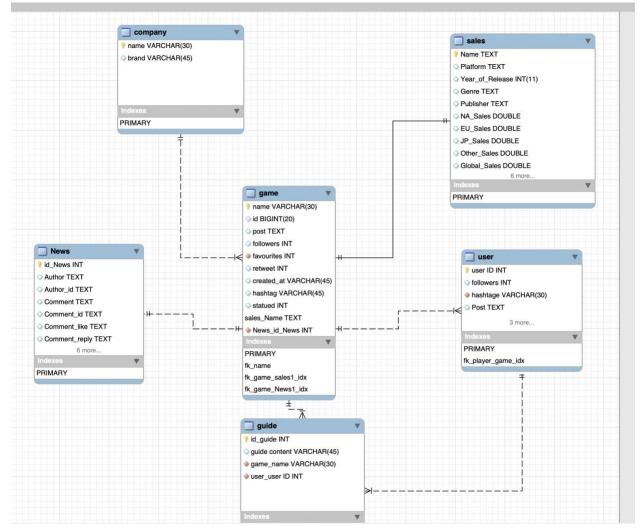


Figure 1 ER diagram

In order to create review table, we collected video game data from Kaggle, rating from Twitter and Facebook. After that, we jointed these data to adapt to our needs. In below Figure 2, our dataset has more than 16,000 pieces of data.

	Α	В	С	D	E	F	G	Н	1	J	K	L	М	N	0	Р	Q
1		Name	Platform	Year_of_R	Genre	Publisher	NA_playe	EU_player	JP_player:	Other_pla	Global_pl	Critic_Sco	Critic_Cou	User_Scor	User_Cou	Develope	Rating
2	1	Wii Sports	Wii	2006	Sports	Nintendo	41.36	28.96	3.77	8.45	82.53	76	51	8	322	Nintendo	E
3	2	Super Mar	NES	1985	Platform	Nintendo	29.08	3.58	6.81	0.77	40.24	NA	NA		NA		
4	3	Mario Kar	Wii	2008	Racing	Nintendo	15.68	12.76	3.79	3.29	35.52	82	73	8.3	709	Nintendo	E
5	4	Wii Sports	Wii	2009	Sports	Nintendo	15.61	10.93	3.28	2.95	32.77	80	73	8	192	Nintendo	E
6	5	Pokemon	GB	1996	Role-Play	Nintendo	11.27	8.89	10.22	1	31.37	NA	NA		NA		
7	6	Tetris	GB	1989	Puzzle	Nintendo	23.2	2.26	4.22	0.58	30.26	NA	NA		NA		
8	7	New Supe	DS	2006	Platform	Nintendo	11.28	9.14	6.5	2.88	29.8	89	65	8.5	431	Nintendo	E
9	8	Wii Play	Wii	2006	Misc	Nintendo	13.96	9.18	2.93	2.84	28.92	58	41	6.6	129	Nintendo	E
10	9	New Supe	Wii	2009	Platform	Nintendo	14.44	6.94	4.7	2.24	28.32	87	80	8.4	594	Nintendo	E
11	10	Duck Hunt	NES	1984	Shooter	Nintendo	26.93	0.63	0.28	0.47	28.31	NA	NA		NA		

Figure 2 review table database

We also scratch data from Twitter and Facebook to create News, Guide and Tips table. In below Figure 3, our dataset has more than 400 pieces of data.

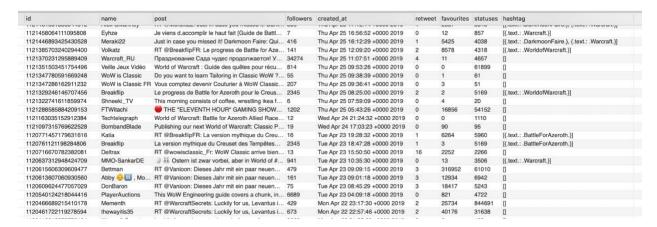


Figure 3 data from social media

2. Code with Documentation

https://github.com/8572104505/6210final

3. Results

Our database satisfied Third Normal Form requirement:

- i. Each table has a primary key: minimal set of attributes which can uniquely identify a record.
- ii. The values in each column of a table are atomic (No multi-value attributes allowed).
- iii. There are no repeating groups: two columns do not store similar information in the same table.
- iv. No partial dependencies.
- v. No calculated data.
- vi. Eliminate fields that do not directly depend on the primary key; that is no transitive dependencies.

Our database can support these required questions:

- i. What are people saying about me (somebody)?
- ii. How viral are my posts?
- iii. What posts are likely to be interesting to me?
- iv. What posts are like mine?
- v. What users post like me?

- vi. Who should I be following?
- vii. What topics are trending in my domain?
- viii. What keywords/ hashtags should I add to my post?
- ix. Should I follow somebody back?

The detail of code and output is shown in Portfolio.

The database can tag the social media data and we also create table for Synonyms, Mis-spellings and Semantic information.

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1 • update tag set tag = '#videogame'
2 where id = '1119279501102522369'
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Figure 4 code of insert tag

We implement string API scratch function, which will send a request to twitter and feedback if the user has an update.

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In [1]: from tweepy import Stream
        from tweepy import OAuthHandler
        from tweepy.streaming import StreamListener
In [2]: import json
        CONSUMER KEY = "40M3D2d9haFTmWiHUOqO3Wx7p"
        CONSUMER_SECRET = "FYdSd8Jcr50mwQclQlqlQwPLTwbVw3fX8Z35igJfqzmzLZp8d3"
        OAUTH_TOKEN = "1103068796036759552-iNLmsLjgYBODHZ1RcZBdsHG7g3d5wt
        OAUTH_TOKEN_SECRET = "STv0EL41syamXzIYy6CZRE2wmm13toKuXQd5QDIV6nKt2"
auth = OAuthHandler(CONSUMER_KEY, CONSUMER_SECRET)
auth.set_access_token(OAUTH_TOKEN, OAUTH_TOKEN_SECRET)
In [3]: class StdOutListener(StreamListener):
            def __init__(self, api=None):
    super(StdOutListener, self). __init__()
                self.num_tweets = 0
            def on status(self, status):
                record = {'news': status.text,'Created At': status.created at}
                print (record)
                 self.num_tweets += 1
                if self.num_tweets < 5:</pre>
                    print (record)
                    return (True)
                    return (False)
            def on_error(self, status):
                print("error" )
In [4]: stream = Stream(auth, StdOutListener())
In [5]: def news(n):
            while True:
                print(stream.filter(track=["videogame"]))
                time.sleep(n)
In [*]: news(5)
        {'news': 'RT @Rampage_GS: Pirates are coming! ¼ ♥ \nRemember in 3 weeks we release beta version of "Dream Ball" tell
        us your opinion and stay tuned!\nTa...', 'Created At': datetime.datetime(2019, 4, 26, 14, 54, 35)}
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Figure 5 code of string API function

4. Discussion

In closing, the main idea of the project is to provide comprehensive information resource for those who are interested in video game. This integrated database is more intuitive and convenient to display the data might interest users. The database provides kinds of query function to collect data. String API scratch function ensure the database updated automatically.

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