

Lore Database

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Executive Summary

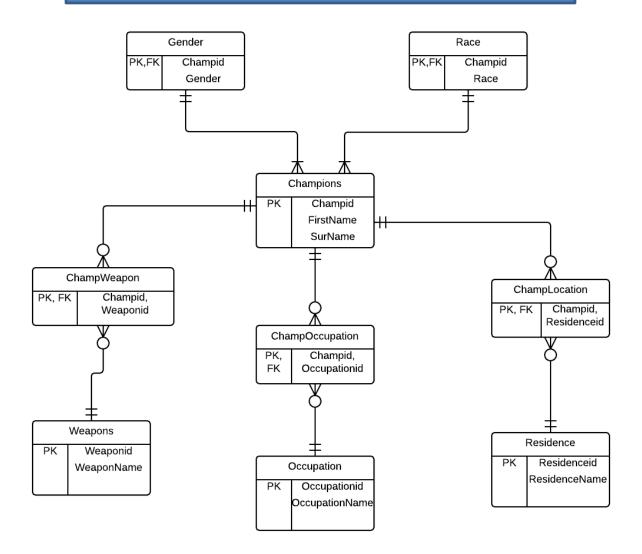
As of 2013, League of Legends is currently the most played videogame in the world. With 32 million active players, a game of this size has to have the content to keep players entertained. As the community grows, the developers at Riot Games work hard to create new characters and new play styles. But as new characters enter the canon, new elements are brought into the game to enhance the user experience.

One of the more overlooked and vital elements of League of Legends is character lore. As each character is introduced, they bring with them a background story; a life before entering the game. Where the majority of players do not care for each characters life story, those who do enjoy learning about their favorite character, need to read each character's lore to fully understand the game's world.

To help the fan base that drives their game, a lore-directed database will improve the efficiency of a user's ability to research League of Legends characters. Focusing on a character's important information – Residence, Weapon, Race, and Gender – a player can find a champion that can relate to them. With an interactive database, a player can learn about their favorite character quickly, or find a new character by their choosing a weapon and residence.

Although this database is not perfect, there are known improvements that can be made to further the effectiveness of this database.

Entity-Relationship Diagram



Create Table Statements

Champions Table

Here is the table that will show all of our current characters. The table needs to be flexible in order to accommodate for any further additions to the League of Legends roster.

Create Statement

```
CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS Champions (
Champid serial NOT NULL,

Name varchar (20) NOT NULL,

SurName varchar (20) NOT NULL,

Primary key (Champid)

);
```

Functional Dependencies

Champid → Name, SurName

Champid	Name	SurName
1	Aatrox	The Darkin Blade
1 2		The Nine-Tailed Fox
3	Akali	The Fist of Shadow
		The Minotaur
5		l The Sad Mummy
6	Anivia	The Cryophoenix
7	Annie	The Dark Child
8	Ashe	The Frost Archer The Great Steam Golem
9	Blitzcrank	The Great Steam Golem
10	Brand	The Burniing Vengeance
11		The Sheriff of Piltover
12	Cassiopeia	The Serpent's Embrace
13	Cho_Gath	l The Terror of the Void
14	Corki	The Daring Bombardier
		The Hand of Noxus
		The Scorn of the Moon
		l The Madman of Zaun
		The Glorious Executioner
19	Elise	The Spide Queen

Weapons Table

The weapons table is used to illustrate the variety of different weapons featured in the game. A user can get a feel for the creativity used in the game and he or she can choose a character based on a certain weapon.

Create Statement

```
CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS Weapons (
```

Weaponid varchar (10)NOT NULL,

WeaponName varchar (20) NOT NULL,

Primary key (Weaponid)

);

Functional Dependencies

Weaponid → WeaponName



Occupation Table

Although each character in the game is an excellent fighter, they do also have lives outside of the League. This table helps display jobs and positions characters possess outside of the standard scope of the game.

Create Statement

```
CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS Occupation (
```

Occupationid varchar (10) NOT NULL,

OccupationName varchar (20) NOT NULL,

Primary key (Occupationid)

);

Functional Dependencies

Occupationid > OccupationName



Residence Table

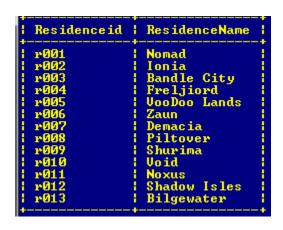
In the League of Legends lore, there are many different cities and provinces that encompass the world. Each area is unique, and each character is shaped by their surroundings. As a player, a user can see where a character is from, and make a decision based on the characters residence.

Create Statement

```
CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS Residence (
Residenceid serial NOT NULL,
ResidenceName varchar (20) NOT NULL,
Primary key (Residenceid)
);
```

Functional Dependencies

Residenceid → ResidenceName



Race Table

In a game filled with characters from various backgrounds, it is important to know what your character is as a being. League of Legends is home of several different types of champions from a wide array of backgrounds, and this table helps display the various races that exist in this universe.

Create Statement

```
CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS Race (
Champid serial NOT NULL REFERENCES Champions (Champid),
Race varchar (20) NOT NULL,
Primary key (Champid)
);
```

Functional Dependencies

Champid → Race

```
Champid Race

1 Human
2 Half-Human
3 Yordle
4 Golem
5 Elemental Creature
6 Undead
7 Half-Human
8 Angel
9 Cyborg
10 Extra-Planar Being
```

Gender Table

The gender table is needed to show that there is a fair balance between men and women fighters inside the League of Legends lore. This table is also helpful for the player who may not notice which characters are what gender.

Create Statement

```
CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS Gender (
```

Champid serial NOT NULL REFERENCES Champions (Champid),

Gender varchar (8) NOT NULL,

Primary key (Champid)

);

Functional Dependencies

Champid → Gender



ChampWeapon

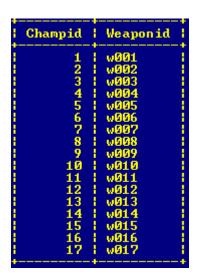
This table is created to avoid the many to many relationship that would be created by connecting the champions table and the weapons table.

Create Table Statement

```
CREATE TABLE ChampWeapon (
Champid serial NOT NULL REFERENCES Champions (Champid),
Weaponid varchar (10) NOT NULL REFERENCES Weapons
(Weaponid),
primary key (Champid, Weaponid)
);
```

Functional Dependencies

None. These are not unique keys.



ChampResidence

This table is created to avoid the many to many relationship that would be created by connecting the champions table and the residence table.

Create Table Statement

```
CREATE TABLE ChampResidence(
```

Champid serial NOT NULL REFERENCES Champions (Champid),

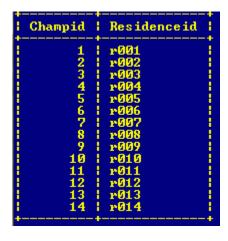
Residenceid varchar (10) NOT NULL REFERENCES Residence (Residenceid),

primary key (Champid, Residenceid)

);

Functional Dependencies

None. These are not unique keys.



ChampOccupation

This table is created to avoid the many to many relationship that would be created by connecting the champions table and the occupation table.

Create Table Statement

CREATE TABLE ChampResidence(

Champid serial NOT NULL REFERENCES Champions (Champid),

Occupationid varchar (10) NOT NULL REFERENCES Occupation (Occupationid),

primary key (Champid, Occupationid)

);

Functional Dependencies

None. These are not unique keys.





Here we see a view that showcases how to find a character based on their residence. The residence, Piltover for example, is a great starting point to determine what character to play because of the personality of each area. We will try to find a female human as our first example.

Create View PiltoverChampions

As

Select C.Name, C.SurName, Re. ResidenceName, Ra.Race, G.GenderType

From Champions C, Residence Re, Race Ra, Gender G

Where Re.ResidenceName = "Piltover"

And Ra.Race = "Human"

And G.Gender = "Female"

OrderBy

C.Name ASC;

Reports and Queries

Here we have some potential query examples that would occur in this database. First we have someone looking for a character that was once an executioner.

Select O.OccupationName, C.Champid, C.Name, C.SurName

From Occupation O, Champions C

Where O.OccupationName = "Executioner"

And C.Champid = O.Occupationid;

Another query can help a user find all of the female half-humans in the database.

Select g.gender, r.Race, c.champid, c.name, c.surname

From Gender g, Race r, Champions c

Where Gender = "Female"

And Race = "Half-Human"

Stored Procedures

The stored procedure is used to make sure that each champion has a weapon associated with their character. This will avoid any nulls that may occur in the table.

```
CREATE FUNCTION WeaponAssigned (w.WeaponName text)
    RETURNS Weapons AS $$
BFGIN
    IF Weaponid is NULL or Weaponid < 1
    THFN
    return "unarmed";
End IF:
Select w.weaponid
From Weapons w, champion c
Where w.weaponid = c.champid
Fnd
    Language plpgsql;
```



This trigger is currently in place to make sure each character is being assigned "unarmed" if they are not given a weapon.

CREATE TRIGGER WeaponAssignCheck

AFTER INSERT ON Weapons

FOR EACH ROW EXECUTE PROCEDURE WeaponAssigned();

Select Weaponid

From Weapons

Where WeaponName = "Unarmed"



Security is very important, especially with a game of this magnitude. Any change in the database can change the lore for the worst. So in order to avoid all problems regarding security, we will create an admin that will control the information in the database.

Admin Role

Create User LeagueAdmin With Password 'Alpaca';

Revoke all on Champions From LeagueAdmin;

Revoke all on Weapons From League Admin;

Revoke all on Residence From LeagueAdmin;

Revoke all on Occupation From League Admin;

Revoke all on Gender From League Admin;

Revoke all on Race From LeagueAdmin;

Revoke all on ChampWeapon From League Admin;

Revoke all on ChampResidence From LeagueAdmin;

Revoke all on ChampOccupation From League Admin;

- Grant insert, update, and remove on Champions to LeagueAdmin;
- Grant insert, update, and remove on Weapons to LeagueAdmin;
- Grant insert, update, and remove on Residence to LeagueAdmin;
- Grant insert, update, and remove on Occupation to LeagueAdmin;
- Grant insert, update, and remove on Race to LeagueAdmin;
- Grant insert, update, and remove on Gender to LeagueAdmin;
- Grant insert, update, and remove on ChampWeapons to LeagueAdmin;
- Grant insert, update, and remove on ChampResidence to LeagueAdmin;
- Grant insert, update, and remove on ChampOccupation to LeagueAdmin;

User Role

Create User LeagueUser With Password 'Alapacauser';

Revoke all on Champions From LeagueUser;

Revoke all on Weapons From LeagueUser;

Revoke all on Residence From LeagueUser;

Revoke all on Occupation From LeagueUser;

Revoke all on Race From LeagueUser;

Revoke all on Gender From LeagueUser;

Revoke all on ChampWeapon From LeagueUser;

Revoke all on ChampResidence From LeagueUser;

Revoke all on ChampOccupation From LeagueUser;

Grant Select on Champions to LeagueAdmin;

Grant Select on Weapons to LeagueAdmin;

Grant Select on Residence to LeagueAdmin;

Grant Select on Occupation to LeagueAdmin;

Grant Select on Race to LeagueUser;

Grant Select on Gender to LeagueAdmin;

Grant Select on ChampWeapons to LeagueAdmin;

Grant Select on ChampResidence to LeagueAdmin;

Grant Select on ChampOccupation

to LeagueAdmin;

We do not want the user to be changing data, so we do not grant them access to change information.

Implementation

Implementing this database would be simple and hassle free. Adding a search function on the League of Legends website would grant ease of access to the public. Here on an international platform, even casual players could use the database to find information about the many characters in the game.

Known Problems

One of the major known problems is the inherent volatile nature of League of Legends. The game is constantly changing, and is very prone to massive shifts in lore. The developers continue to expand the League of Legends universe, and thus will continue to improve upon character's lore. As more characters are added, more need to be connected to fit within the league.

In addition to the constantly changing nature of this game, the data within the game is massive. There is a very high possibility of human error that could cause the database to not work properly.

On a technical note, currently there is no check for characters regarding rivalries and familial ties. If a user were to look up what characters were related to who, the query would come up empty, and the user would have to search through each individual character lore to figure out the relationship between characters.

During the time of writing, the use of PostGres was unavailable for testing due to computer issues. This led to the use of the command shell to run all SQL code. As testing continued, the use of the command shell became detrimental and thus caused most of the SQL queries to not run properly.

Future Improvements

In the near future, the database hopes to continue growing and expanding, but manageable at the same rate. Although a tough task, it is necessary to be able to accommodate with the ever growing League of Legends community and the ever growing League of Legends game.

I plan on creating a more in depth query that will allow a user to see all the rivals and allies associated with a searched champion. This will provide a deeper look into the background information of any given character.

A greater description of weapons and occupation is also in need of adjusting, the current values in these tables are suited only for the scope of this paper, but are in need of further elaboration.