

Report for Final Project template

Title of the Project: Second-hand transaction information retrieval platform

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- I. **Introduction:** We collected the data on second-hand merchandise from four second-hand trading websites and build a database to store it. Then we write an application and connect it with our database so that the user can easily search the information of merchandise by using this application.

Motivation: We choose this idea because there are many platforms on the Internet. It's not convenient that sometimes we want to search for the best merchandise with good price, good location, and more accurate searching results, then we need to search on many different platforms. But now we connect the four biggest second-hand transaction platforms for users to search and compare the results.

Describe the application: There are five options for users to choose from: item name, item (seller) location, item category, min price, and max price. Those options are all optional for users to choose when searching for. After a user completes his choice, click "Search", then the result of information on the merchandise will be shown in the same window.

Details: We set an error catch to remind users when they input the wrong information, such as inputting an alphabet in price blank. We also set a small function that a user must press "Enter" after each filling the blank to make sure the user searches for what he wants. After each time "Search" is clicked, all blank will be cleaned.

Describe the overall organization of the report and task assignment for each team member:

Code done by Haoyang with Ruiying Wang, Chen Liang Help.

Report done by Haoyang and Ruiying Wang help.

PowerPoint and Video done by Ruiying.

II. Our Implementation

2.1 Description of the system architecture

The system is built based on Java, using JDBC to connect to mysql database. The GUI user application is written in java.

2.2 Description of the dataset

Dataset is gotten from four websites by using a crawler.

There are four datasets: user, platform, item, and category

Properties of each dataset:

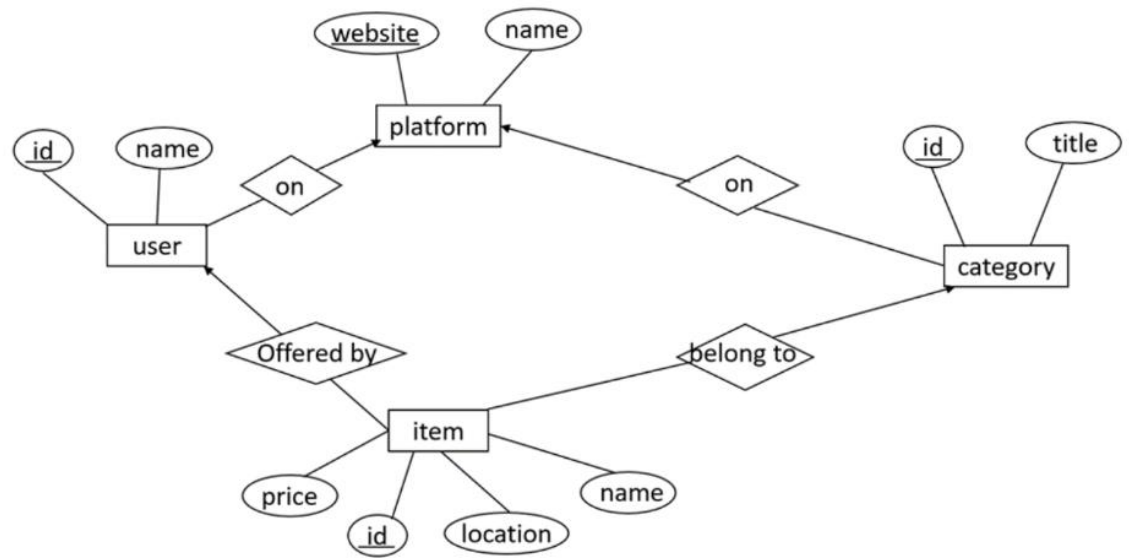
User: uid: user id, uname: user name, ulocation: user location, purl: website link, foreign key references Platform, primary key

Item: iid: item id, iname: item name, iprice: item price, cid: category id, uid: user id, two foreign keys and one primary key

Category: cid: category id, purl: platform link, ctitle, category name, one foreign key and one primary key

Platform: pname: platform name, purl: platform link, one primary key

2.3 ER diagram (final version from the previous checkpoint copied here)



We've revised the ER diagram, because we find that having an entity set for each category and platform is redundant representation. In addition, we have added ids to each user, category, and listed item, where those ids are website-assigned. These ids combined with platform forms a weak entity set.

2.4 Relational model (final version from the previous checkpoint copied here)

Relational schema:

- platform(website, platform-name): both website and platform-name are keys, website is the primary key
- user(user-id, user-name, platform): (user-id, platform) is the primary key

c. category(category-id, category-title, platform): (category-id, platform) is the primary key and the (category-title, platform) is another key

d. item(item-id, price, location, item-name, user, category): (item-id, user) is the primary key and the (item-id, category) is another key

Functional Dependencies

platform-name \rightarrow website

website \rightarrow platform-name

(platform, category-title) \rightarrow (platform, category-id)

(platform, category-id) \rightarrow (platform, category-title)

(platform, user) \rightarrow platform

(platform, category) \rightarrow platform

(platform, item) \rightarrow (platform, user)

(platform, item) \rightarrow (platform, category)

Simplified:

platformname \rightarrow website

website \rightarrow platformname

(platform, category-title) \rightarrow category-id

(platform, category-id) \rightarrow category-title

(platform, item) \rightarrow user

(platform, item) \rightarrow category

Platform, Category, User, and Item tables are 3NF. Everything on the right side is part of the candidate keys in the respective tables.

2.5 Implementation: description of the prototype

Firstly, get data from websites by a crawler. Then build a database to import all data. Then we create a user application and connect it to local database.

2.6 Evaluation: describe how you test your application (e.g, create testing scenarios or queries or something else, running your application through these scenarios/queries/etc., checking the returned results and see how the results make sense or not).

Here we test five scenarios:

1. Query: find the items that the key word of the item is baby ,the category belongs to the Men, the location for the item is Wisconsin and the price is between 0 -100.

SQL: select p.pname, i.iname, i.iprice, u.uname, c.ctitle, u.ulocation

-> from Item i, Category c, Platform p, User u

-> where c.cid = i.cid and i.uid = u.uid and u.purl = p.purl and i.iprice >= 0 and i.iprice <= 100 and u.ulocation = " Wisconsin" and i.iname like '%baby%' and c.ctitle = 'Men';

The screenshot shows a web application search interface. At the top, there is a search bar with the text "Item baby" and a "Search" button. To the right, there is a "Category" dropdown menu set to "Mercari-Men". Below the search bar, there is a "State" dropdown menu set to "Washington". To the right of the state dropdown, there is a "min price" input field set to "0". Below the state dropdown, there is a "max price" input field set to "100". To the right of the max price input, there is a "Platform name(for add)" input field. Below the search filters, there is a scrollable text box containing the following text: "The seller name is: Your Super-ior Finds", "The category of this merchandise is: OfferUp-Men", "The seller location is: Wisconsin", and "Selling in platform: Facebook Market".

2. Query: find the name of items of which the price is between \$55 to \$57, the category belongs to electronics and the state is California .

SQL: select p.pname, i.iname, i.iprice, u.uname, c.ctitle, u.ulocation

-> from Item i, Category c, Platform p, User u

->where c.cid = i.cid and i.uid = u.uid and u.purl = p.purl and iprice > 55 AND iprice < 57;
u.ulocation = " California" and c.ctitle = "Electronics";

Item Category

State min price

max price Platform name(for add)

Selling in platform: Mercari

The merchandise: Mario Party 3 for Nintendo 64

The price is: 56

The seller name is: CW Lin

The category of this merchandise is: Mercari-Electronics

3. Query: find the items that the key word of the item is baby, the location for the item is Wisconsin and the price is between 55 -57.

SQL: select p.pname, i.iname, i.iprice, u.uname, c.ctitle, u.ulocation

-> from Item i, Category c, Platform p, User u

-> where c.cid = i.cid and i.uid = u.uid and u.purl = p.purl and i.iprice >= 55 and i.iprice <= 57 and u.ulocation = " Wisconsin" and i.iname like '%baby%';

Item Category

State min price

max price Platform name(for add)

Selling in platform: OfferUp

The merchandise: Baby Boy Bundle

The price is: 56

The seller name is: Your Super-ior Finds

The category of this merchandise is: OfferUp-Kids

4. Query: find the items that the key word of the item is baby ,the category belongs to the Men, the location for the item is California and the price is less than 30.

SQL: select p.pname, i.iname, i.iprice, u.uname, c.ctime, u.uloction

-> from Item i, Category c, Platform p, User u

-> where c.cid = i.cid and i.uid = u.uid and u.purl = p.purl and i.iprice <= 30 and

u.uloction = " California" and i.iname like '%baby%' and c.ctime = 'Men';

Item Category

State min price

max price Platform name(for add)

Selling in platform: Mercari
The merchandise: Baby Yoda t-shirt
The price is: 1
The seller name is: CW Lin
The category of this merchandise is: OfferUp-Men

5. Query: find the items that the location for the item is Wisconsin and the price is between 55 -57.

SQL: select p.pname, i.iname, i.iprice, u.uname, c.ctime, u.uloction

-> from Item i, Category c, Platform p, User u

-> where c.cid = i.cid and i.uid = u.uid and u.purl = p.purl and i.iprice >= 55 and i.iprice

<= 57 and u.uloction = " Wisconsin" ;

Item Category

State min price

max price Platform name(for add)

Selling in platform: Mercari
The merchandise: For Britt0503 Only
The price is: 56
The seller name is: Your Super-ior Finds
The category of this merchandise is: Fb Market-Handmade

III. Storage Procedure

(1) create a stored procedure called category_List that selects all the categories from the category table.

Syntax:

delimiter //

create procedure category_List()

-> begin

-> select * from Category;

-> end //

delimiter ;

call category_List();

Result:

cid	purl	ctitle
FBM01	https://www.facebook.com/marketplace/	Fb Market-Woman
FBM02	https://www.facebook.com/marketplace/	Fb Market-Men
FBM03	https://www.facebook.com/marketplace/	Fb Market-Kids
FBM04	https://www.facebook.com/marketplace/	Fb Market-Home
FBM05	https://www.facebook.com/marketplace/	Fb Market-Collectibles
FBM06	https://www.facebook.com/marketplace/	Fb Market-Beauty
FBM07	https://www.facebook.com/marketplace/	Fb Market-Electronics
FBM08	https://www.facebook.com/marketplace/	Fb Market-Outdoors
FBM09	https://www.facebook.com/marketplace/	Fb Market-Handmade
FBM10	https://www.facebook.com/marketplace/	Fb Market-Other
MCR01	https://www.mercari.com/us/category/1/	Mercari-Woman
MCR02	https://www.mercari.com/us/category/1/	Mercari-Men
MCR03	https://www.mercari.com/us/category/1/	Mercari-Kids
MCR04	https://www.mercari.com/us/category/1/	Mercari-Home
MCR05	https://www.mercari.com/us/category/1/	Mercari-Collectibles
MCR06	https://www.mercari.com/us/category/1/	Mercari-Beauty
MCR07	https://www.mercari.com/us/category/1/	Mercari-Electronics
MCR08	https://www.mercari.com/us/category/1/	Mercari-Outdoors
MCR09	https://www.mercari.com/us/category/1/	Mercari-Handmade
MCR10	https://www.mercari.com/us/category/1/	Mercari-Other
OFUP01	https://offerup.com/	OfferUp-Woman
OFUP02	https://offerup.com/	OfferUp-Men
OFUP03	https://offerup.com/	OfferUp-Kids
OFUP04	https://offerup.com/	OfferUp-Home
OFUP05	https://offerup.com/	OfferUp-Collectibles
OFUP06	https://offerup.com/	OfferUp-Beauty
OFUP07	https://offerup.com/	OfferUp-Electronics
OFUP08	https://offerup.com/	OfferUp-Outdoors
OFUP09	https://offerup.com/	OfferUp-Handmade
OFUP10	https://offerup.com/	OfferUp-Other

30 rows in set (0.00 sec)

(2) create a stored procedure selects all the platforms from the Platform table.

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Syntax:
delimiter //
create procedure platform_list()
-> begin
-> select * from Platform;
-> end //
delimiter ;

call platform_list();
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Result:

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+-----+-----+
| pname | purl |
+-----+-----+
| OfferUp | https://offerup.com/ |
| Facebook Market | https://www.facebook.com/marketplace/ |
| Mercari | https://www.mercari.com/us/category/1/ |
+-----+-----+
3 rows in set (0.04 sec)

Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.04 sec)
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(3) creates a stored procedure that finds all items which price equal \$56

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Syntax:
delimiter //
create procedure GetItemByPriceCost(in price_cost int)
-> begin
-> select * from Item where iprice = price_cost;
-> end //
delimiter ;

call GetItemByPriceCost(56);
```

Result:

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+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| iid | iname | iprice | cid | uid |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| Item02273 | John Galliano ombre with nice frames sunglasseswih box cloth | 56 | FBM01 | User-FB01090 |
| Item02392 | NWT New Large Women Ralph Lauren Brown Leather Tote Satchel Purse Handbag Feet | 56 | FBM01 | User-FB01209 |
| Item02811 | Mens Lululemon Kahuna Shorts 36 | 56 | OFUP01 | User-OP00400 |
| Item07207 | Baby Boy Bundle | 56 | OFUP03 | User-OP01627 |
| Item07238 | Ralph Lauren Polo Sweatsuit | 56 | OFUP03 | User-OP01658 |
| Item07432 | Set of Four (4) New Pottery Barn Halloween Mugs 2 GHOST Figural 2 BOO | 56 | MCR04 | User-MR03207 |
| Item14268 | Mario Party 3 for Nintendo 64 | 56 | MCR07 | User-MR05573 |
| Item17089 | Warrior custom Golf 2 Pc Wood set 5 and 7 in right Handed | 56 | MCR08 | User-MR06908 |
| Item19266 | For Britt0503 Only | 56 | FBM09 | User-FB06729 |
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9 rows in set (0.35 sec)
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IV. Interface:

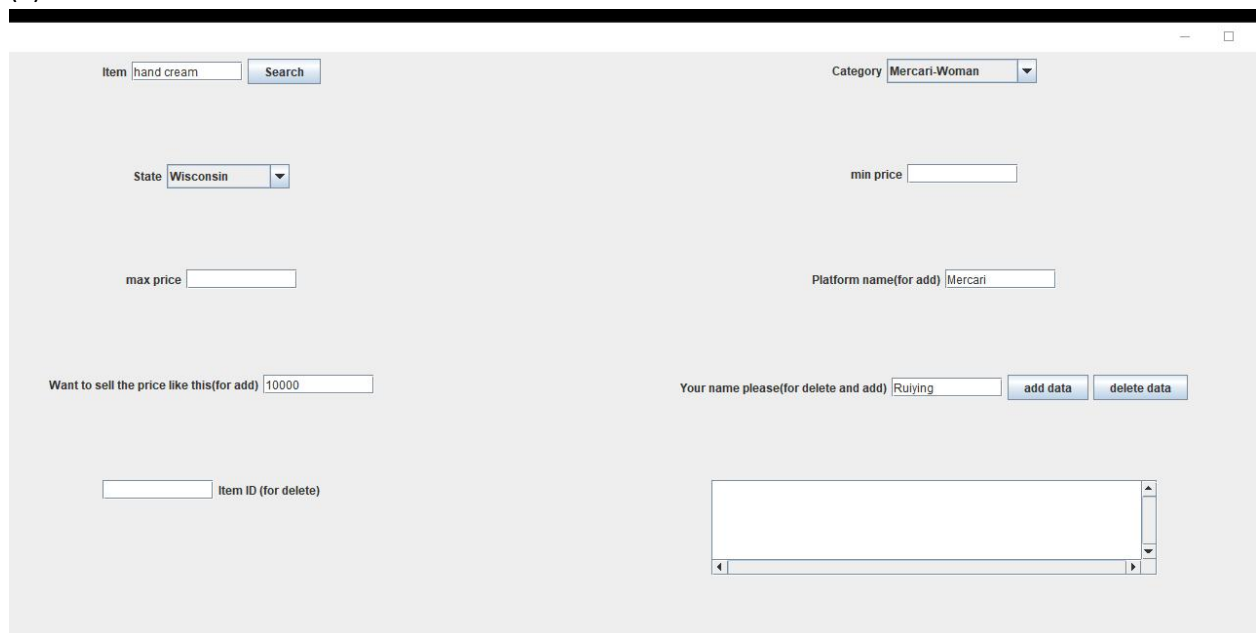
Insert new data into database:

Try to add a new data and the information is that a UW-madison student Peter Potter plans to sell his old-school t-shirt at the price of \$ 78 in a new platform UW-SWAP. The Queries show below:

Insert data to Platform table	Syntax: insert into Platform -> Values('Mercari', 'https://www.mercari.com/us/category/1/');
Insert data to Category table	Syntax: insert into Category -> Values('MCR01', 'https://www.mercari.com/us/category/1/', 'Mercari-Woman');
Insert data to User table	Syntax: insert into User -> Values('User-MR08666', 'Ruiying', 'Wisconsin', 'https://www.mercari.com/us/category/1/');
Insert data to Item table	Syntax: insert into Item -> Values('Item23141', 'hand cream', 10000, 'UWS01', 'User-UWS00001');

When running on the application, it could also works successfully. The processes shows below:

(1) Set relevant information of the item to be added



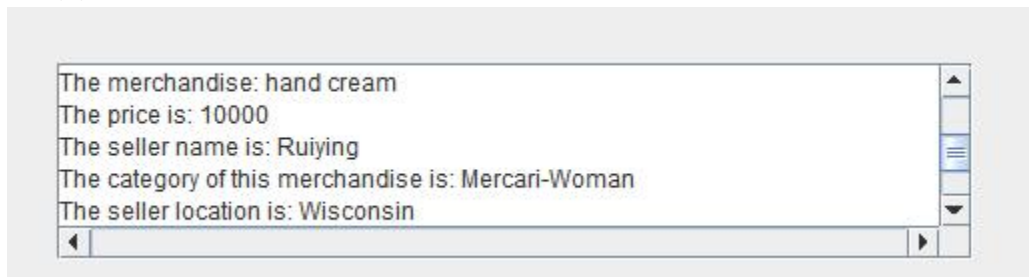
The screenshot shows a web application interface for adding a new item. It features several input fields and buttons. At the top, there is an 'Item' input field with the text 'hand cream' and a 'Search' button. To the right, there is a 'Category' dropdown menu with 'Mercari-Woman' selected. Below these, there is a 'State' dropdown menu with 'Wisconsin' selected, and a 'min price' input field. Further down, there is a 'max price' input field and a 'Platform name(for add)' input field with 'Mercari' entered. At the bottom left, there is a 'Want to sell the price like this(for add)' input field with '10000' entered. At the bottom right, there is a 'Your name please(for delete and add)' input field with 'Ruiying' entered, and two buttons: 'add data' and 'delete data'. There is also an 'Item ID (for delete)' input field and a large empty text area.

(2) The application shows the item has been added.



The screenshot shows a web application interface with a large text area at the top containing the text 'Insertion Done'. Below this text area, there is a horizontal scrollbar and a vertical scrollbar, indicating that the text area is scrollable. The rest of the interface is not visible in this screenshot.

(3) Search the item in the database to check whether the item has added.



The result shows that the item has been inserted into the database.

Delete data from database:

Delete data we just added in the insert new data interface. The Queries show below:

delete data from User table	Syntax: set foreign_key_checks = 0; delete from User where uname = 'Ruiying'; set foreign_key_checks = 1;
delete data from Item table	Syntax: set foreign_key_checks = 0; delete from Item where uid = 'User-MR08666'; set foreign_key_checks = 1;

When running on the application, it could also works successfully. The processes shows below:

(1) Set delete command in the application.

A screenshot of the application's user interface for deleting data. It features three input fields: 'Want to sell the price like this(for add)' with a value of '23141', 'Your name please(for delete and add)' with a value of 'Ruiying', and 'Item ID (for delete)' with a value of '23141'. To the right of the first two fields are 'add data' and 'delete data' buttons. Below the third field is a large empty text area with a scrollbar.

(2) The application shows that the deletion is done.



(3) Search the item in the database to check whether the item has been deleted.



There is no merchandise matched, which means that the item has been deleted successfully in the database.

V. Evaluation

(i) the objectives of the evaluation:

The objectives for the application of the database is that is effectively and efficiently for users to handle searching, inserting, deleting, and modifying the data related to user, second-hand item, category and platform, as well as queries that involve getting inputs from users and retrieving information from multiple sources.

(ii) test cases:

- a. insert at least 50 new data into the database.
- b. delete at least 50 data from the database.
- c. update 10 data in the database.
- d. searching at least 100 SQL queries from the database.
- e. clear all the data from the database

(iii) how we evaluate these test cases:

For the test cases from a to e, the evaluation is made by the the correctness rate of the results and time cost to finish all the tests. The evaluation shows that the application could successfully deal with searching, inserting, deleting, and modifying the data in the database with fast speed.

VI. Conclusion

What do you learn from this project (both interesting and uninteresting points)? Have you found any relevant database knowledge you have learned in this course helpful and have you encountered any database-relevant issues that have been discussed in this course?

We learned how to build a user application and how to connect to a local MySQL database, which is a very important step for this project. The most interesting part of this course is to draw

the ER diagram. It's because there are so many varieties that we can make our own diagram and there is no absolutely correct answer.

VII. References (if any)

<https://www.facebook.com/marketplace/>
<https://www.mercari.com/us/category/1/>
<https://offerup.com/>
<https://swap.wisc.edu/>