

Project 1 Stage 2

Database Design

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1 UML Diagram

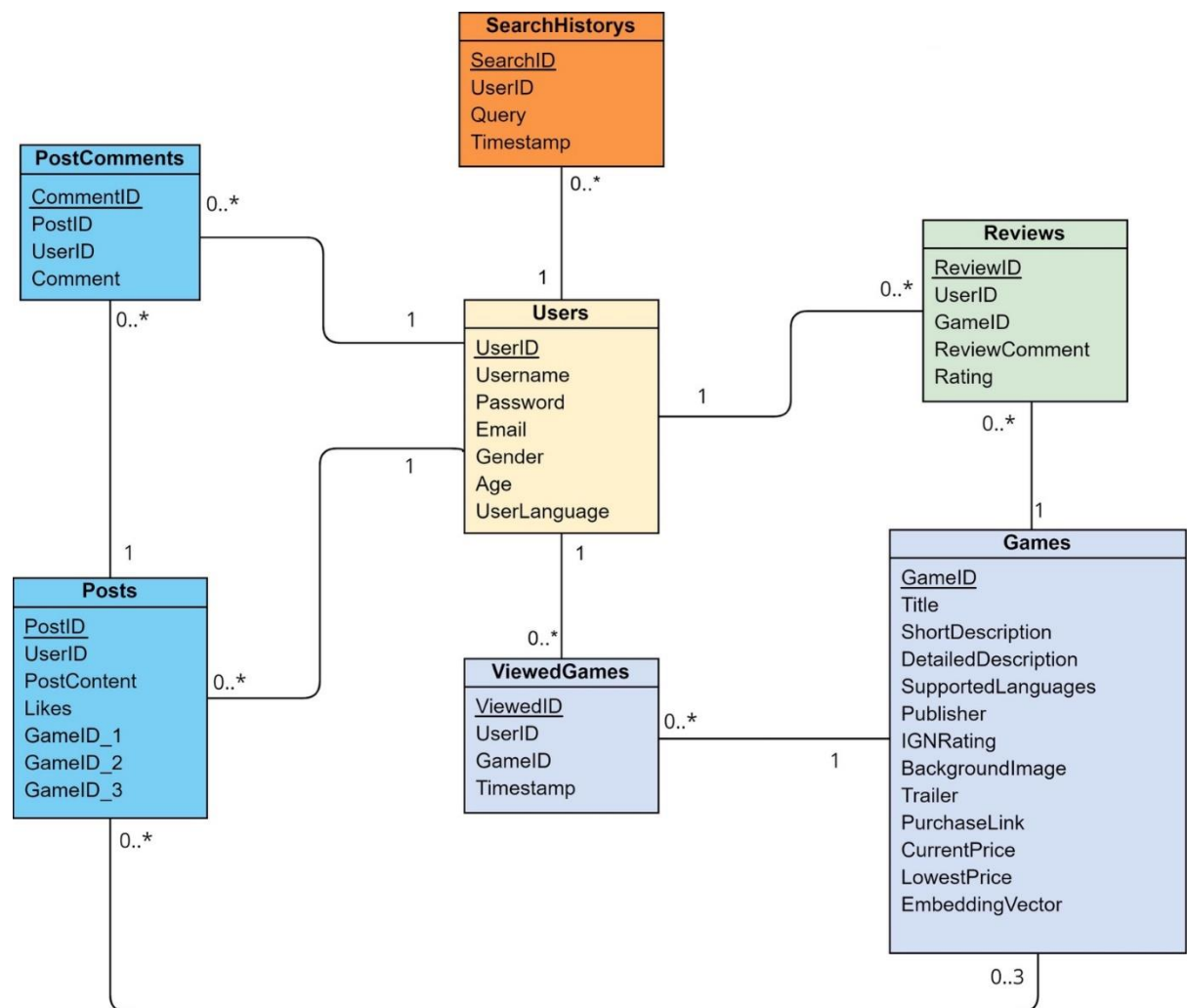


figure 1 UML Diagram

1.1 Assumption for UML Diagram

| Entity | Assumption |
|----------------|---|
| Games | Store the basic information about the game product and each game has a unique GameID, so we use that as the primary key. |
| Users | Store the basic information about the login user and each user has a unique UserID, so we use that as the primary key. |
| SearchHistorys | Each search history entry has a unique SearchID, so we use that as the primary key. UserID is a foreign key referencing the UserID in the User table, representing the user who performed the search. |
| ViewedGames | Each viewed game entry has a unique ViewedID, so we use that as the primary key. UserID is a foreign key referencing the UserID in the User table, representing the user who viewed the game. GameID is a foreign key referencing the GameID in the Game table, representing the game that was viewed. |
| Reviews | Each review has a unique ReviewID, so we use that as the primary key. UserID is a foreign key referencing the UserID in the User table, representing the user who wrote the review. GameID is a foreign key referencing the GameID in the Game table, representing the game being reviewed. |
| Post | Each post has a unique PostID, so we use that as the primary key. UserID is a foreign key referencing the UserID in the User table, representing the user who made the post. |
| PostComments | Each comment on a post has a unique CommentID, so we use that as the primary key. PostID is a foreign key referencing the PostID in the Post table, representing the post that is being commented on. UserID is a foreign key referencing the UserID in the User table, representing the user who made the comment. GameID_1, GameID_2 and GameID_3 are foreign keys referencing the GameID in the Game table, representing the games linked in the post. |

figure 2 Assumption for UML Diagram

1.2 Description for Each Relationship and Cardinality

| Entity 1 | Entity 2 | Cardinality | Relationship |
|--------------|----------------|-------------|--|
| Posts | PostComments | 1-many | One post can have many comments, while one comment corresponds to one post. |
| Posts | Users | 1-many | One user can have many posts, while one post corresponds to one user. |
| PostComments | Users | 1-many | One user can make many comments, while one comment corresponds to one user. |
| Users | SearchHistorys | 1-many | One user can search for many times, while one search history corresponds to one user. |
| Users | ViewedGames | 1-many | One user can view many games for many times, while one view corresponds to one user. |
| ViewedGames | Games | 1-many | One game can be viewed many times, while one view corresponds to one game. |
| Users | Reviews | 1-many | One user can post many reviews, while one view corresponds to one user. |
| Reviews | Games | 1-many | One game can receive many reviews, while one review corresponds to one game. |
| Posts | Games | many-many | One game can have many related posts, and one post can include up to three games in our setting. |

figure 3 Description for relationship and cardinality

2 Process of Normalization

2.1 Initial Data Schema

Reviews(ReviewID: INT [PK], Rating: INT, Comment: TEXT, GameID: INT [PK], Title: VARCHAR(50), ShortDescription: TEXT, DetailedDescription: TEXT, SupportedLanguages: VARCHAR(100), Publisher: VARCHAR(30), IGNRating: FLOAT, BackgroundImage: VARCHAR(100), PosterImage: VARCHAR(100), Trailer: VARCHAR(100), PurchaseLink: VARCHAR(100), InitialPrice: FLOAT, FinalPrice: FLOAT, EmbeddingVectors: TEXT)

SearchHistory (SearchID: INT [PK], Query: VARCHAR(60), Timestamp: DATETIME, UserID: INT)

ViewedGames (ViewedID: INT [PK], GameID: INT, Timestamp: DATETIME, UserID: INT, Username: VARCHAR(20), Password: VARCHAR(30), Email: VARCHAR(30), Gender: INT, Region: VARCHAR(50), Age: INT, UserLanguages: VARCHAR(100))

PostComments (CommentID: INT [PK], Comment: TEXT, PostID: INT, UserID: INT, PostContent: TEXT, PostLikes: INT)

2.2 Decomposition to BCNF

2.2.1 Reviews

Reviews (ReviewID, Rating, Comment, GameID, Title, ShortDescription, DetailedDescription, SupportedLanguages, Publisher, IGNRating, BackgroundImage, PosterImage, Trailer, PurchaseLink, InitialPrice, FinalPrice, EmbeddingVectors)

FD1: ReviewID → Rating, Comment, GameID, Title, ShortDescription, DetailedDescription, SupportedLanguages, Publisher, IGNRating, BackgroundImage, PosterImage, Trailer, PurchaseLink, InitialPrice, FinalPrice, EmbeddingVectors

FD2: GameID → Title, ShortDescription, DetailedDescription, SupportedLanguages, Publisher, IGNRating, BackgroundImage, PosterImage, Trailer, PurchaseLink, InitialPrice, FinalPrice, EmbeddingVectors

Split on FD2:

- **Reviews** (ReviewID, Rating, Comment, GameID,)
- **Games** (GameID, Title, ShortDescription, DetailedDescription, SupportedLanguages, Publisher, IGNRating, BackgroundImage, PosterImage, Trailer, PurchaseLink, InitialPrice, FinalPrice, EmbeddingVectors)

2.2.2 ViewedGames

ViewedGames (ViewedID, GameID, Timestamp, UserID, Username, Password, Email, Gender, Region, Age, UserLanguages)

FD1: ViewedID → GameID, Timestamp, UserID, Username, Password, Email, Gender, Region, Age, UserLanguages

FD2: UserID → Username, Password, Email, Gender, Region, Age, UserLanguages

Split on FD2:

- **ViewedGames** (ViewedID, GameID, Timestamp, UserID)
- **Users** (UserID, Username, Password, Email, Gender, Region, Age, UserLanguages)

2.2.3 PostComments

PostComments (CommentID, Comment, PostID, UserID, PostContent, PostLike)

FD1: CommentID → Comment, PostID, UserID, PostContent, PostLike

FD2: PostID → UserID, PostContent, PostLike

Split on FD2:

- **PostComments** (CommentID, Comment, PostID)
- **Posts** (PostID, UserID, PostContent, PostLike)

2.3 Why BCNF (Compared to 3NF)

- BCNF provides a stricter schema, which ensures more data integrity and reduces more redundancy.
- BCNF provides a schema that is easier to understand and maintain.
- In our design, there is no complex functional dependency between attributes. So using BCNF will not cause a big loss in functional dependency.

3 Relational Schema

Games (GameID: int [PK], Title: varchar[40], ShortDescription: text, DetailedDescription: text, SupportedLanguages: varchar[200], Publisher: varchar[30], IGNRating: float, BackgroundImage: varchar[100], PosterImage: varchar[100], Trailer: varchar[100], PurchaseLink: varchar[], InitialPrice: float, FinalPrice: float, EmbeddingVectors: json)

Users (UserID: int [PK], Username: varchar[20], Password: varchar[30], Email: varchar[30], Gender: int, Age: int, UserLanguage: varchar[50])

SearchHistory (SearchID: int [PK], UserID: int [FK to Users.UserID], Query: varchar[60], Timestamp: datetime)

ViewedGames (ViewedID: int [PK], UserID: int [FK to Users.UserID], GameID: int [FK to Games.GameID], Timestamp: datetime)

Reviews (ReviewID: int [PK], UserID: int [FK to Users.UserID], GameID: int [FK to Games.GameID], ReviewComment: text, Rating: int)

Posts (PostID: int [PK], UserID: int [FK to Users.UserID], PostContent: text, Likes: int, GameID_1: int [FK to Games.GameID], GameID_2: int [FK to Games.GameID], GameID_3: int [FK to Games.GameID])

PostComments (CommentID: int [PK], PostID: int [FK to Posts.PostID], UserID: int [FK to Users.UserID], Comment: text)

Games:

| Column | Type | Description |
|---------------------|--------------|--|
| GameID | int | Primary key, unique identifier for each game |
| Title | varchar[40] | Title of the game |
| ShortDescription | text | Brief description of the game |
| DetailedDescription | text | Detailed description of the game |
| SupportedLanguages | varchar[200] | Languages supported by the game |
| Publisher | varchar[30] | Publisher of the game |
| IGNRating | float | IGN rating of the game |
| BackgroundImage | varchar[100] | Image used as the background for the game |
| PosterImage | varchar[100] | Image used as the poster for the game |
| Trailer | varchar[100] | URL or reference to the game's trailer |
| PurchaseLink | varchar[] | URL or reference to the game's purchase link |
| InitialPrice | float | Initial price of the game |
| FinalPrice | float | Final price of the game |
| EmbeddingVectors | json | Embedding vectors for search purposes |

Users:

| Column | Type | Description |
|--------------|-------------|---|
| UserID | int | Primary key, unique identifier for user |
| Username | varchar[20] | Username of the user |
| Password | varchar[30] | Password of the user |
| Email | varchar[30] | Email address of the user |
| Gender | int | Gender of the user |
| Age | int | Age of the user |
| UserLanguage | varchar[50] | Preferred language of the user |

SearchHistory:

| Column | Type | Description |
|-----------|-------------|---|
| SearchID | int | Primary key, unique identifier for search history |
| UserID | int | Foreign key referencing Users.UserID |
| Query | varchar[60] | Search query made by the user |
| Timestamp | datetime | Timestamp of the search |

ViewedGames:

| Column | Type | Description |
|-----------|----------|---|
| ViewedID | int | Primary key, unique identifier for viewed game |
| UserID | int | Foreign key referencing Users.UserID |
| GameID | int | Foreign key referencing Games.GameID |
| Timestamp | datetime | Timestamp of when the game was viewed by the user |

Reviews:

| Column | Type | Description |
|---------------|------|---|
| ReviewID | int | Primary key, unique identifier for review |
| UserID | int | Foreign key referencing Users.UserID |
| GameID | int | Foreign key referencing Games.GameID |
| ReviewComment | text | Content of the review |
| Rating | int | Rating given by the user for the game |

Posts:

| Column | Type | Description |
|-------------|------|---|
| PostID | int | Primary key, unique identifier for post |
| UserID | int | Foreign key referencing Users.UserID |
| PostContent | text | Content of the post |
| Likes | int | Number of likes the post has received |
| GameID_1 | int | The First Mentioned Game |
| GameID_2 | int | The Second Mentioned Game |
| GameID_3 | int | The Third Mentioned Game |

PostComments:

| Column | Type | Description |
|-----------|------|--|
| CommentID | int | Primary key, unique identifier for comment |
| PostID | int | Foreign key referencing Posts.PostID |
| UserID | int | Foreign key referencing Users.UserID |
| Comment | text | Content of the comment |

figure 4 Relational Schema