# Video Game Sales Analysis Dharmik Shah

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## **Project Overview**

#### **Objective of the Project**

Analyze video game sales data to uncover trends and patterns in the gaming industry, providing actionable insights for stakeholders.

Explore how factors like genre, platform, and publisher influence global sales performance.

# Importance of Video Game Industry Analysis

The gaming industry is a multibillion-dollar market with significant growth potential.

Understanding sales trends helps stakeholders optimize strategies and capitalize on emerging opportunities.

#### **Key Questions Addressed**

Which genres and platforms dominate global sales?
How do regional preferences impact sales performance?
What are the key factors driving the success of top publishers and games?

### **Dataset Overview**

Key Variables: Rank, Name, Platform, Year, Genre, Publisher

Rank: Sales-based ranking

of video games.

Name: Title of the game.

Platform: Gaming platform

(e.g., Wii, PS4).

Year: Release year (some

missing values).

Genre: Game category (e.g.,

Sports, Action).

Publisher: Publishing

company (some missing

values).

Data Cleaning and Preparation

Address missing values in

Year and Publisher columns.

Convert year values to

integers and ensure

consistent formatting for

analysis.

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Dataset Size and Attributes

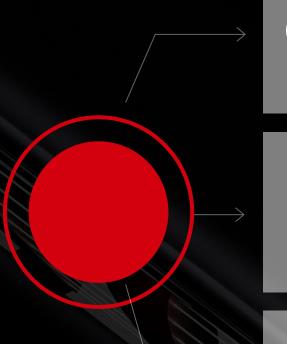
The dataset contains 16,598 entries with 11 attributes, including Rank, Name, Platform, Year, Genre, Publisher, and regional sales data.

## Regional and Global Sales Data

Includes sales data for North America, Europe, Japan, and other regions, as well as global sales totals.



## **Data Cleaning**



#### **Handling Missing Values**

O1. Identify and address missing values in Year and Publisher columns to ensure data accuracy.

#### **Data Formatting and Conversion**

Convert Year values to integers and standardize data formats for consistency.

#### **Ensuring Data Consistency**

Validate data entries to ensure uniformity across attributes and regions.

# **Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)**

Tools Used: Tableau, Python, Power Bl Utilize Tableau, Python, and Power Bl for data visualization and analysis.

#### **Statistical Analysis Techniques**

Apply statistical methods to identify trends, correlations, and outliers in the dataset.

#### **Visualization Techniques**

Use bar charts, line graphs, pie charts, and treemaps to visualize sales trends and distributions.

#### **Key Insights from EDA**

Identify dominant genres, platforms, and publishers.

Analyze regional sales trends and their impact on global performance.

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## **Filters and Controls**

#### **Zone Sales Dropdown**

Allows users to filter sales data by specific regions (e.g., North America, Europe, Japan).

#### **Genre Dropdown**

Enables filtering by game genres (e.g., Action, Sports, Racing).

#### Year Range Slider

Users can adjust the start and end years to analyze sales trends within a specific time frame.

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## **Key Sections of the Dashboard**

#### **Top 10 Publishers**

A treemap visualizes the top publishers by total sales, highlighting leaders like Nintendo, Sony, and Electronic Arts.



#### **Top 10 Sales Globally**

A horizontal bar chart highlights the top 10 games by global sales, featuring titles like "Wii Sports" and "Super Mario Bros."

#### **Summary Metrics**

Summary cards display key metrics, including total publishers (579), game titles (11,493), platforms (31), and genres (12).

#### **Top 10 Platforms**

A bar chart shows platforms contributing the most to global sales, with Wii and GBA leading the chart.



## **Sales Trends Over Time**

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#### **Yearly Sales Trends**

Line graphs illustrate sales trends over time, showing growth and decline periods in the gaming industry.

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#### **Regional Sales Distribution**

Pie charts display regional sales distribution, highlighting key markets like North America and Europe.

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#### **Forecast Indicators**

Line charts include forecasted sales data, providing insights into potential future trends.

## Genre and Platform Analysis

#### **Total Sales by Genre**

Vertical bar charts show sales by genre, with Action and Sports leading in popularity.



#### Sales by Genre Bubble Chart

Bubble charts emphasize genre performance, with bubble size proportional to total sales.



Analyze how platforms like Wii and PS4 have shaped the gaming market.



#### **Dominant Genres and Platforms**

Identify the most popular genres (Action, Sports) and platforms (Wii, GBA) based on sales data.



## **Dominant Publishers and Games**



#### **Nintendo's Leadership**

Nintendo dominates global sales, driven by iconic titles like "Wii Sports" and "Super Mario Bros."





These games are among the top-selling titles, reflecting their widespread popularity.



#### **Other Leading Publishers**

Sony Computer Entertainment and Electronic Arts also play significant roles in the industry.

## Regional and Genre Preferences

#### **Regional Sales Trends**

Sales trends vary by region, with notable peaks during console release years.

**Top-Selling Genres: Action,** Sports
Action and Sports genres consistently perform well

across all regions.

#### **Genre Performance Across**

Regions
Analyze how genre preferences differ between North America, Europe, and Japan.

#### **Impact of Console Release Years**

Console release years significantly impact sales trends, driving spikes in regional and global sales.



# **Summary of Findings**



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#### **Key Trends Identified**

Dominant genres (Action, Sports), platforms (Wii, GBA), and publishers (Nintendo) drive global sales.



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# **Insights for Stakeholders**

Stakeholders can optimize strategies by focusing on popular genres and platforms.



# Data-Driven Decision Making

The dashboard empowers stakeholders to make informed, data-driven decisions.

## **Future Directions**

# **Potential Areas for Further Research**

Explore emerging markets and the impact of new gaming technologies.

# Recommendations for Industry Stakeholders

Invest in popular genres and platforms while exploring untapped markets.

# **Enhancing Dashboard Interactivity**

Add more dynamic filters and drill-down features to improve user experience.

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