ChairVisE

Code Repository URL:

https://github.com/CS3219-SEM1/chairvise-project-2018-team-14

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Introduction

The ChairVise app enables conference program Chairs of academic and industry conferences to make statistical insights about their conferences. It provides a simple, convenient way for Chairs to produce aesthetically pleasing and informative and visualizations which summarize relevant data about conference submissions, reviews, and authors.

The insights produced by these visualizations will empower conference organizers to make more informed decisions about conference programming and outreach; researchers and industry stakeholders will also be able to learn more about the research landscape of different domains.

a) ChairVisE 1.0 Requirements

F1 ChairVisE 1.0 - web app that visualizes conference submission statistics	Priority	Sprint
F1.1 The application should have an interface to allow a user to upload files.	Н	-
F1.2 The application should be able to parse CSV files.	Н	-
F1.3 Analyze author data		
F1.2.1 The application should count the authors with the most submissions	н	-
F1.2.2 The application should count the countries with the most submissions	н	-
F1.2.3 The application should count the organizations(affiliations) with most submissions	Н	-

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confidence over all submissions.		
F1.6 Render analyzed author data as charts		-
F1.6.1 The application should render the authors with the most submissions as a bar chart.	н	-
F1.6.2 The application should render the countries with the most submissions as a pie chart, allowing it to be changed it to a bar chart.	Н	-
F1.6.3 The application should render the organizations(affiliations) with the most submissions as a bar chart, allowing it to be changed it to a pie chart.	Н	-
F1.7 Render analyzed submission data as charts		-
F1.7.1 The application should render the submission datetimes time series and last edited datetimes time series in a line chart.	Н	-
F1.7.2 The application should allow rendering the acceptance rate per track as a bar chart.	н	-
F1.7.3 The application should allow rendering the acceptance rate per track as a radar chart.	М	-
F1.7.4 The application should render the acceptance rates for full papers and short papers for as a line chart.	н	-
F1.7.5 The application should render the top accepted authors as a bar chart.	н	-
F1.7.6 The application should render the top accepted authors per track as a bar chart.	н	-
F1.7.7 The application should render the keywords for all submissions, keywords for accepted submissions, keywords for rejected submissions, keywords per track as word clouds	Н	-
F1.8 Render analyzed review data as charts		-
F1.8.1 The application render the distribution of weighted scores per submission as a bar chart.	н	-
F1.8.2 The application render the distribution of weighted recommendations per submission as a bar chart.	Н	-
F1.8.3 The application should show the mean weighted scores, mean weighted recommendations and the average confidence over all submissions in a table.	Н	-
F1.9 The application should allow the user to generate a PDF document containing the currently rendered charts (and their captions) marked as 'included'	М	-
NF1.10 The application should take no longer than 5 seconds to analyze and render the charts.	н	-

b) ChairVisE 1.0 Design Diagrams

c) ChairVisE 2.0 Requirements

F2 ChairVis 2.0 - web app that visualizes conference submission statistics	Priority	Sprint
F2.1 The application should allow the user to switch between tabs to view different sets of visualizations generated by different files.		
NF2.1.1 The application should switch to the appropriate tab after a new file has been uploaded.		
F2.2 The application should have session management.		
F2.2.1 The application should allow a user to sign up and login.	Н	Week 11
F2.2.2 The application should allow user to save data.	Н	Week 12
F2.3 The application should save the analyzed data of the user's session, and load them on the next session.		
NF 2.3.1 The application should signal to the user that the previous analyzed data is being loaded.		
F2.4 The application should allow the user to generate a PDF document containing all currently rendered charts (and their captions) marked as 'included' in one PDF document.		
NF 2.4.1 The application should generate the PDF document in under 3 secs per visualization included.		
NF 2.4.2 The application should signal to the user that the document is being generated.		
NF 2.4.3 The application should notify the user on success or failure of the document generation.		
F2.5 The application should allow the user to map the columns of their uploaded csv files to the required headers that our application needs, regardless of how each their column are arranged.	Н	12
NF 2.5.1 The application should only allow uploading of files which have at least the required number of columns.	Н	12
NF 2.5.2 The application should only allow each required header to map to one distinct column.	Н	12
F2.6 For visualizations that require data from multiple files (F_ and F), they should be available once the necessary files have been submitted.		
F2.7 Render analyzed author data as charts		

F2.8 Render analyzed submission data as charts		
F2.9 Render analyzed review data as charts		
F2.9.1 The application should display a word cloud of submission keywords, which may be filtered by track, and by whether the submission is accepted or rejected.		
F2.10 Render analyzed author and review data as charts		
F2.10.1 The application should render the authors with the most reviews as bar chart.		
F2.11 Render analyzed author and submission data as charts		
F2.11.1 The application should render the top organizations(affiliations) with the most accepted submissions as a bar chart or pie chart.		
F2.12 The application should notify the user on failure of data analysis of each submitted file.		
F2.13 The application should provide visualizations that are more meaningful and informative to users than in 1.0.		
F2.13.1 The application should allow user to select top 1-10 entities (e.g. author, country, organization) for each visualization that involves ranking.	M	
F2.13.2 The application should display axis labels for all relevant charts.	Н	
NF2.14 The application should have basic web app security.		
NF2.14.1 The application should store passwords that are hashed and salted using libraries.	Н	Week 11
NF2.14.2 The application should implement authentication through well-established libraries.	Н	Week 11
NF2.14.3 The application should use OAuth 2.0 protocol for third party authorization.	Н	Week 11
NF2.15 The application should be delivered continuously when pull requests are merged to master automatically	М	Week 10
NF2.16 The application should store data in a database to ensure consistency and durability.	Н	Week 13

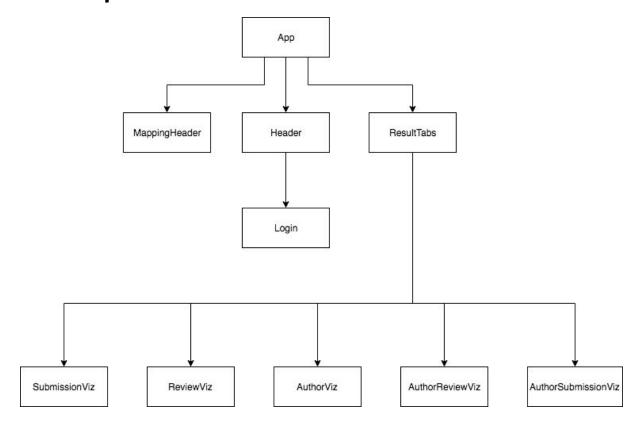
d) ChairVisE 2.0 Developer documentation

Developer Documentation (New version)

The web app follows a client-server architecture. Each user is a client accessing the frontend of the application developed using Vue.js. The backend is developed using Django will run on server(s) serving the clients. In our case, we do not manage the servers on our own and instead use a PaaS (Heroku) that manage the servers for us.

The development process is a simple one where we create a pull request, wait for build to pass, merge, and the new web app will be automatically deployed.

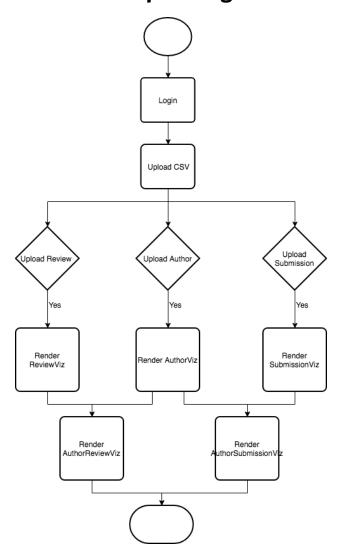
1. Vue Components Architecture



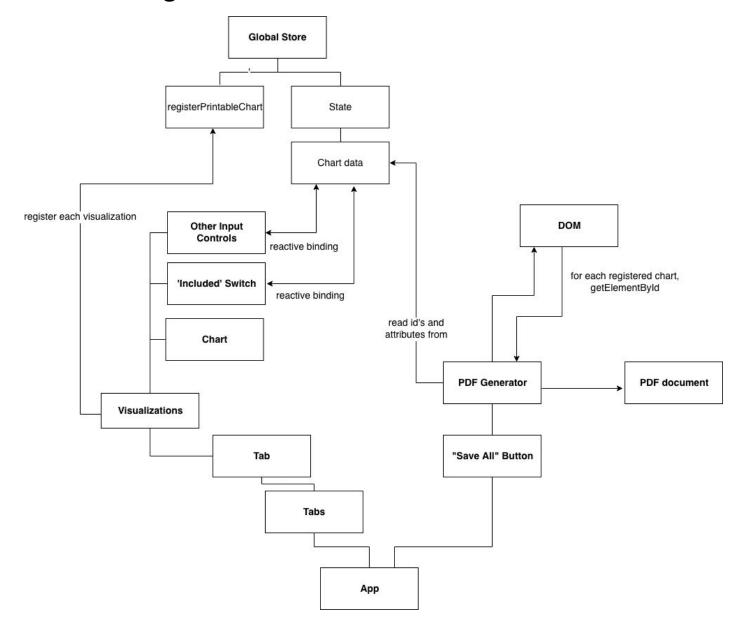
Design Decision:

In ChairVisE 1.0 all the visualizations are drawn in one component. In ChairVisE 2.0, we decided to adopt modular programming by splitting the visualisation rendering into five independent components. We choose to follow component-based software engineering and separation of concerns. Each rendering component addresses only one concern. For example, if the user uploads an author file, only the AuthorViz component will be triggered and handles the drawing for visualisations that are related to author data.

2. User Flow - render files on uploading files



3. Generating PDF



e) <u>Suggestions for improvements and</u> <u>enhancements</u>

Frontend: Usability

- 1.1. Grid Layout for Charts
- 1.2. <u>Printing PDF</u>
 - 1.2.1. Chart Library with native Canvas/Image conversion/Export feature
 - 1.2.2. Standardized aspect ratio
 - 1.2.3. User Preferences

2. Frontend: System Design

- 2.1. State Management with VueX
- 2.2. Abstracting Generic Chart Functionality with Higher-Order Components
- 2.3. Chart Rendering
- 2.4. Printing PDFs
 - 2.4.1. Separate canvas
 - 2.4.2. Document generation in backend

3. Backend: System Design

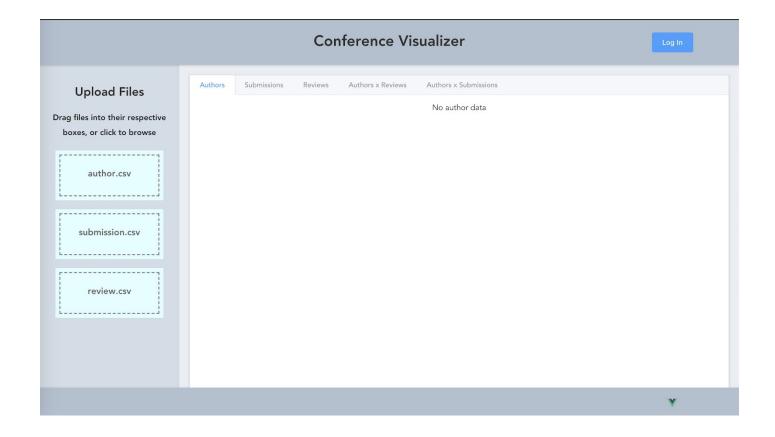
- 3.1. Apply appropriate normalization and further decompose CSV data to data more amenable for storing in a database. Right now, the data is stored almost as-is from the CSV for simplicity. This is also related to performance as we did not care too much about performance but we would have to when we think about normalization as too much normalization causes performance problems but too little causes data integrity issues.
- 3.2. Further enhance scalability and performance of application (if requirements require). The application already takes into some consideration some scalability concerns such as memory concerns with large files. This is done by deferring analysis of data to database as much as possible (the way data is stored does not always allow this) and use of generators. Performance may be improved by redesigning schema, optimizing queries and use of indexes.

4. Others

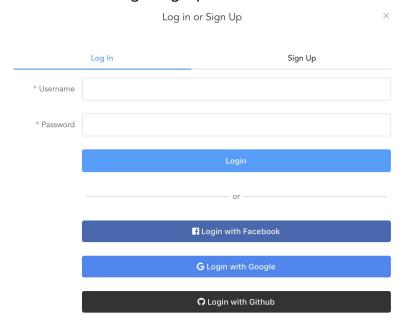
- 4.1. Enforce a consistent coding style. Right now in the frontend we have not enforced a strict coding style to use and the backend has a mix of code that follows the PEP style guide and other code that deviates from it.
- 4.2. Use a consistent naming convention for Restful APIs

Enhancement and Visualization Screenshots

1. Enhancement: New App Launching Page with Tabs to render visualisation



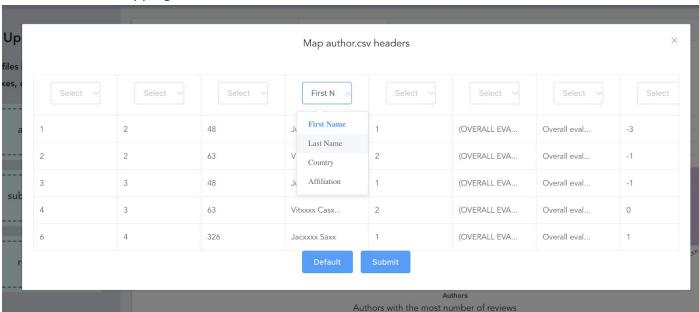
2. New Feature: Login/Signup modal



3. Enhancement: Customizing Rendering Data Length



4. Enhancement: Mapping Headers



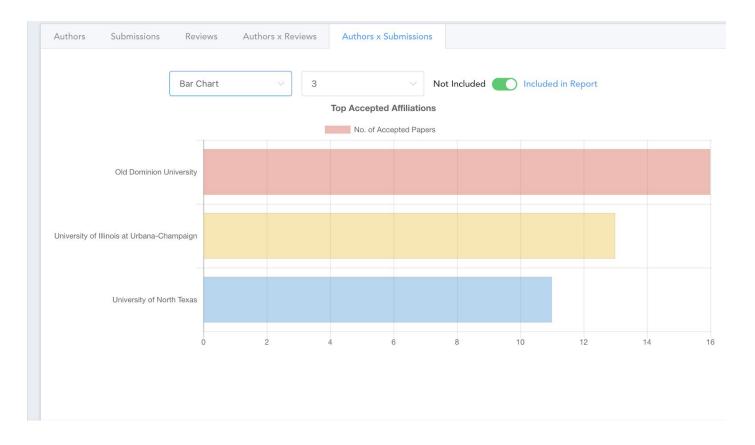
5. Word Cloud Filter (Filter by All/Accepted/Rejected Submissions)



6. New Viz: Top Reviewed Author



7. New Viz: Top Accepted Affiliations



8. Enhancement: Added Axis Label for Visualisations



Any other comments/sections

Caveats

Continuous Integration

Deployment