

Super Smash Brothers 4

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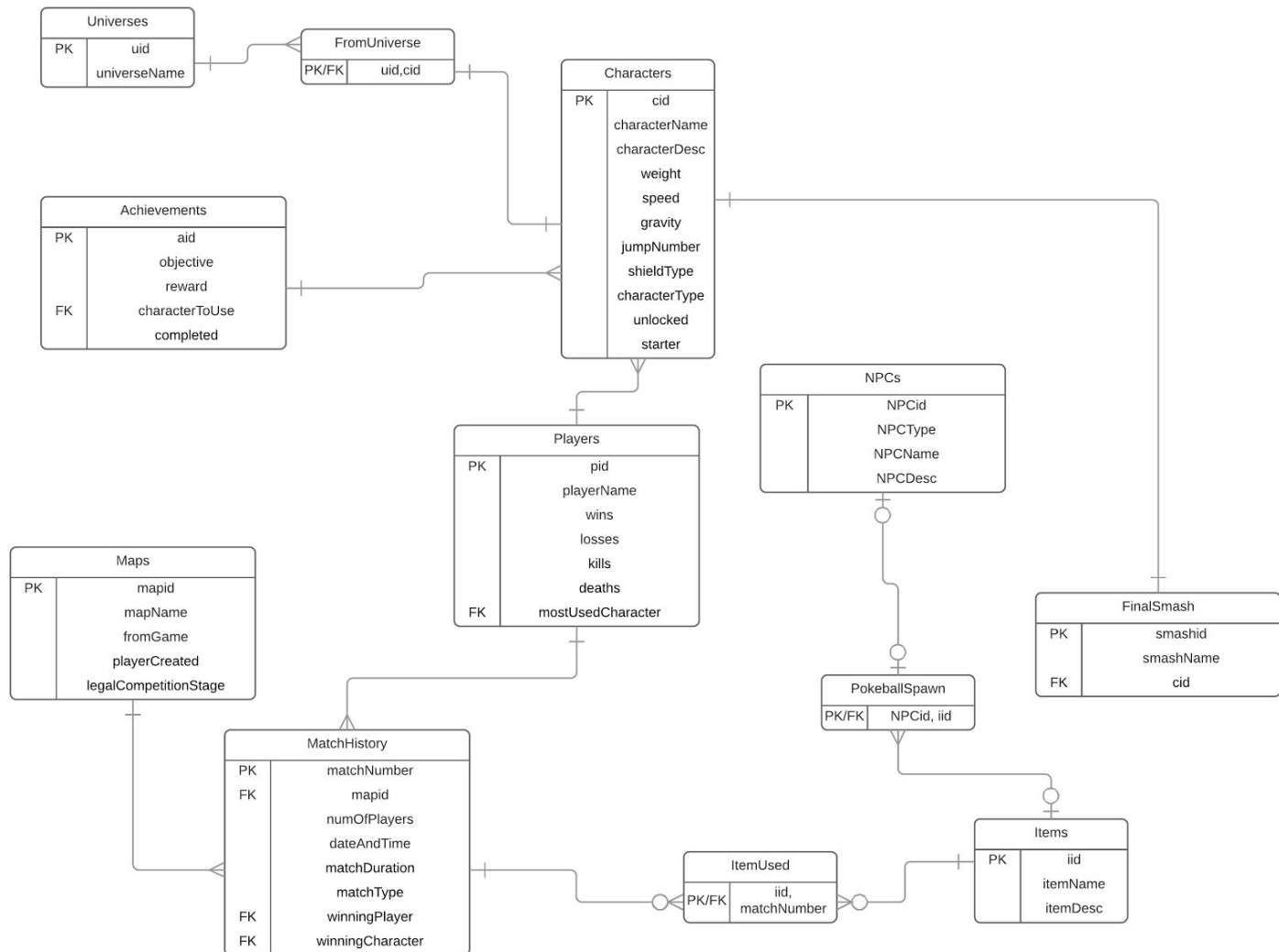
Executive Summary

The purpose of this project was to create a database for the video game “Super Smash Brothers 4” in 3NF. It is much easier to visualize the relationships between all of the data in the game this way.

Another purpose of this project was to attempt to create a database that updates itself through gaining information from other tables in the relational database.

Overall this project helped me to much better understand the relationships between objects in a game that I’ve played for years without understanding the relational database aspects of.

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Tables

Create Statements

```
create table Characters(  
    cid serial,  
    characterName text not null,  
    characterDesc text not null,  
    weight int not null,  
    speed decimal not null,  
    gravity decimal not null,  
    jumpNumber int DEFAULT 2 not null,  
    shieldType text DEFAULT 'Bubble' not null,  
    characterType text not null,  
    unlocked bool not null DEFAULT true,  
    starter bool DEFAULT true not null,  
    primary key (cid)
```

);

```
create table Universes(  
    uid serial,  
    universeName text not null,  
    primary key (Uid)
```

);

```
create table FromUniverse(  
    uid int references Universes(uid),  
    cid serial references characters(cid),  
    primary key (Uid, cid)
```

);

```
create table Maps(  
    mapid  
    mapName  
    mapDesc  
    fromGame  
    playerCreated  
    legalCompetitionStage  
    primary key (mapid)  
  
    char(3) unique not null,  
    text not null,  
    text not null,  
    text not null,  
    bool not null DEFAULT false,  
    bool not null DEFAULT false,  
  
);
```

```
create table Players(  
    pid  
    playerName  
    losses  
    Kills  
    deaths  
    mostUsedCharacter  
    wins  
    primary key (pid)  
  
    char(4) unique not null,  
    text not null,  
    int not null DEFAULT 0,  
    int not null DEFAULT 0,  
    int not null DEFAULT 0,  
    int not null references Characters(cid),  
    int DEFAULT 0,  
  
);
```

```
create table Moves(  
    moveid  
    moveName  
    damage  
    primary key (moveid)  
  
    char(2) unique not null,  
    text not null,  
    text not null,  
  
);
```

```
create table Achievements(  
    aid  
    objective  
    reward  
    characterToUse  
    completed  
    primary key (aid)  
  
    char(2) unique not null,  
    text not null,  
    text not null,  
    int references Characters(cid),  
    bool not null DEFAULT false,  
  
);
```

```

create table MatchHistory(
    matchNumber      int not null,
    mapid            char(3) not null references Maps(mapid),
    numOfPlayers     int not null

                                check (numOfPlayers > 1 and numOfPlayers <= 8),

    dateAndTime      timestamp not null,
    matchDuration     time not null

                                check(matchDuration > '00:00:00'),

    matchType        text not null

                                check (matchType = 'Stock' OR matchType = 'Time'),

    winningPlayer     char(4)      not null references Players(pid),
    winningCharacter   int not null references Characters(cid),
    primary key(matchNumber)
);

```

```

create table NPCs(
    NPCid            int not null,
    NPCType          text not null,
    NPCName          text not null,
    NPCDesc          text not null,
    primary key (NPCid)
);

```

```

create table Items(
    iid              int unique not null,
    itemName         text not null,
    itemDesc         text not null,
    primary key (iid)
);

```

```
create table PokeballSpawn(  
    iid            int not null references Items(iid),  
    NPCid          int not null references NPCs(NPCid),  
    primary key (iid, NPCid)  
);
```

```
create table FinalSmash(  
    smashid        serial,  
    cid            serial references Characters(cid),  
    smashName      text not null,  
    primary key(smashid)  
);
```

```
create table itemUsed(  
    matchnumber    int references MatchHistory(matchNumber),  
    iid            int references Items(iid),  
    Primary Key (matchnumber, iid)  
);
```

Every table has a Primary key that is unique to each row. Many of the tables have foreign keys as well, you can see this through the references made in the create table statements.

Many of the tables also have default values. An example of this is the achievements are all defaulted to have completed = false. The reason for this is because you don't start off the game with any of the achievements already completed. They wouldn't be very impressive achievements if that were the case.

There are also several Check constraints. One example of this is the Match History table. A match only has two types, Stock(which is lives) or Time. The check constraint makes sure it is one of these two. Anything else would be wrong.

Functional Dependencies

Characters Table:

$\text{cid} \rightarrow \text{characterName}, \text{characterDesc}, \text{weight}, \text{speed}, \text{gravity}, \text{jumpNumber}, \text{shieldType}, \text{characterType}, \text{unlocked}, \text{starter}$

Players Table:

$\text{pid} \rightarrow \text{playerName}, \text{wins}, \text{losses}, \text{kills}, \text{deaths}, \text{mostUsedCharacter}$

NPCs Table:

$\text{NPCid} \rightarrow \text{NPCType}, \text{NPCName}, \text{NPCDesc}$

Items Table:

iid → itemName, itemDesc

Match History Table:

matchNumber → mapid, numOfPlayers,
dateAndTime, matchDuration, matchType,
winningPlayer, winningCharacter

Maps Table:

mapid → mapName, fromGame, playerCreated,
legalCompetitionStage

FinalSmash Table:

smashid → smashName, cid

Achievements Table:

aid → objective, reward, characterToUse, completed

Universes Table:

uid → universeName

SELECT* Queries:

```
SELECT* FROM Characters;
```

Data Output	Explan	Messages	History									
	id integer	charactername text	characterdesc text		weight integer	speed numeric	gravity numeric	jumpnumber integer	shieldtype text	character-type text	unlocked boolean	starter boolean
1	1	Mario	The main character of the mario series. A well balanced easy to play character.		98	1.6	0.09715	2	Bubble	Human	t	t
2	2	Luigi	Mario's brother of the mario series. A well balanced easy to play character.		97	1.5	0.075	2	Bubble	Human	t	t
3	3	Peach	The main princess of the mario series. A floaty character with strong attacks.		89	1.4175	0.068	2	Bubble	Human	t	t
4	4	Bowser	The antagonist of the mario series. A slow moving character with powerful attacks.		130	1.792	0.11	2	Bubble	Creature	t	t
5	5	One of the heroes of the Mario series	Has very good neutral attacks		104	1.3	0.09	2	Egg	Creature	t	t
6	6	Donkey Kong	Antagonist from the original Mario Game. Powerful character that is very heavy		122	1.0731	0.05055	2	Bubble	Animal	t	t
7	8	Diddy Kong	Character from the Donkey Kong series. A fast monkey character.		93	1.624	0.105	2	Bubble	Animal	t	t
8	9	Link	The main character from the Legend of Zelda Series. A skilled swordsman.		104	1.3944	0.096	2	Bubble	Human	t	t
9	10	Zelda	Princess from the Legend of Zelda Series. A character with magic abilities.		85	1.3	0.071	2	Bubble	Human	t	t
10	11	Sheik	An alter ego of Zelda. An extremely fast character		81	2.016	0.15	2	Bubble	Human	t	t
11	12	Ganon/dorf	The main antagonist in Nintendo's The Legend of Zelda video game series. A character with power-B-Moves.		113	1.218	0.107935	2	Bubble	Human	t	t
12	13	Fox Link	One of the characters in the character link. Differs slightly in moves and attributes.		83	1.317	0.079	2	Bubble	Human	t	t
13	14	Samus	The protagonist of the Metroid Series. A woman with an extremely powerful exoskeleton power-suit.		108	1.504	0.077	2	Bubble	Human	t	t
14	15	Zero Suit Samus	A version of Samus without her power-suit.		80	2.1	0.12	2	Bubble	Human	t	t
15	16	Kirby	Main character of the kirby series. A floaty character than can copy other characters moves.		108	1.57	0.06405	6	Bubble	Creature	t	t
16	17	Metal Knight	A character from the Kirby Series.		80	1.9	0.11	6	Bubble	Creature	t	t
17	18	King Dedede	The Antagonist of the Kirby Series. A large floaty character.		119	1.36	0.087885	5	Bubble	Creature	t	t
18	19	Ryu	The protagonist of the Starfox Series. A very fast character with powerful smash moves.		79	2.104	0.09	2	Bubble	Animal	t	t
19	20	Pitachu	A creature from the Pokemon Series. Has electric attacks.		79	1.69325	0.095	3	Bubble	Pokemon	t	t
20	21	IggyPuff	A creature from the Pokemon Series. Very floaty with weak attacks but good aerials.		68	1.555	0.053085	6	Large Bubble	Pokemon	t	t
21	23	Mewtwo	A creature from the Pokemon Series. A legendary pokemon created by scientists.		74	2.04	0.082	2	Bubble	Pokemon	t	t
22	24	Charizard	A creature from the Pokemon Series. A flying dragon Pokemon.		116	2	0.085	3	Bubble	Pokemon	t	t
23	25	Lucario	A creature from the Pokemon Series. A fox-like Pokemon with a rege ability that makes him stronger the more damage he		99	1.55	0.084	2	Bubble	Pokemon	t	t
24	26	Captain Falcon	A character from the F-Zero series. A fast character with powerful B-Moves.		104	2.32	0.12	2	Bubble	Human	t	t
25	27	Wesley	A character from the Earthbound series and my personal favorite.		84	1.46265	0.077	2	Bubble	Human	t	t
26	28	Lucas	Wess's Brother. Similar to Wess with better ground game and weaker aerial game.		94	1.5	0.09	2	Bubble	Human	t	t

SELECT* FROM Players;

Data Output		Explain	Messages	History			
	pid character(4)	playername text	losses integer	kills integer	deaths integer	mostusedcharacter integer	wins integer
1	a000	AI (Computer Player)	0	0	0	1	0
2	a002	Squid	359	20	0	16	0
3	a004	Daniel	140	400	365	10	0
4	a007	Norrisaurus	500	1000	200	46	0
5	a008	K1113r	50	0	250	47	0
6	a001	JT	0	359	0	27	4
7	a009	1337	0	9999999	0	22	2
8	a003	Alan	120	200	200	8	1
9	a006	PwnStar	50	100	600	50	2
10	a005	Syries	1000	3000	1000	22	1

SELECT* FROM Items;

Data Output	Explain	Messages	History
	id integer	itemname text	itemdesc text
1	1	Pokeball	After being thrown by a player, this item will summon a random Pokemon once it makes contact with any platform on the Map.
2	2	Backshield	As the name would suggest, the item protects the fighter's rear from harm.
3	3	Ray Gun	A Ray Gun can be shot 16 times before it runs out of ammunition. Each shot does 2-4% damage.
4	4	Killer Eye	When the holder throws it down, it activates, then launches pink energy in the direction it faces.
5	5	Lightning Bolt	When used, it will shrink every other character to minimal size, and reduce their attack power to 0.7x.
6	6	Deku Nut	When it explodes by being thrown, attacked, or timed out, any character in its blast range (including the thrower) becomes stunned, making them vulnerable to a free hit.
7	7	Fire Bar	When swung, the Fire Bar deals fire damage, alongside moderate knockback and damage, with a forward smash being able to KO opponents at 50% when fully charged.
8	8	Food	Heals the player slightly, can heal anywhere from 1-12% damage.
9	9	Banana Peel	The Banana Peel can be thrown like any other regular item, and when a character other than its thrower steps on it they slip and are temporarily stunned.
10	10	Beam Sword	As a battering item, the Beam Sword will bolster the player's power.
11	11	Beetle	The Beetle is a throwable item. It can potentially One-Hit KO opponents by sending them to the upper blast line.

SELECT* FROM PokeballSpawn;

	iid integer	npcid integer
1	1	2
2	1	3
3	1	4
4	1	5
5	1	6
6	1	7
7	1	8

SELECT* FROM ItemUsed;

	matchnumber integer	iid integer
1	5	1
2	6	4
3	1	6
4	3	7
5	7	1
6	9	2

SELECT* FROM FinalSmash;

Data Output	Explain	Messages	History	
	smashid integer	cid integer	smashname text	
1	1	1	Mario's Final Smash	
2	2	2	Luigi's Final Smash	
3	3	3	Peach's Final Smash	
4	4	4	Bowser's Final Smash	
5	5	5	Dr. Mario's Final Smash	
6	6	6	Yoshi's Final Smash	
7	7	7	Donkey Kong's Final Smash	
8	8	8	Diddy Kong's Final Smash	
9	9	9	Link's Final Smash	
10	10	10	Zelda's Final Smash	
11	11	11	Sheik's Final Smash	
12	12	12	Ganondorf's Final Smash	
13	13	13	Toon Link's Final Smash	
14	14	14	Samus's Final Smash	
15	15	15	Zero Suit Samus's Final Smash	
16	16	16	Kirby's Final Smash	
17	17	17	Meta Knight's Final Smash	
18	18	18	King Dedede's Final Smash	
19	19	19	Fox's Final Smash	
20	20	20	Falco's Final Smash	
21	21	21	Pikachu's Final Smash	
22	22	22	Jigglypuff's Final Smash	
23	23	23	Mewtwo's Final Smash	
24	24	24	Charizard's Final Smash	

OK.

SELECT* FROM FromUniverse;

Data Output	Explain	Mess
	uid integer	cid integer
1	1	1
2	1	2
3	1	3
4	1	4
5	1	5
6	2	6
7	3	7
8	3	8
9	4	9
10	4	10
11	4	11
12	4	12
13	4	13
14	5	14
15	5	15
16	6	16
17	6	17
18	6	18
19	7	19
20	7	20
21	8	21
22	8	22
23	8	23
24	8	24

SELECT* FROM NPCs;

Data Output	Explain	Messages	History
npcid integer	npcname text	npcdesc text	
1	Enemy Metal Mario	A super-heavy fighter bearing an edited Mario series symbol. Metal Mario is a metallic version of Mario. He is fought on stage 9 of the 1P Game.	
2	Pokemon Snorlax	Snorlax leaps off the screen and returns larger. It descends with the force of its full body weight.	
3	Pokemon Deoxys	Deoxys appears in its Attack form. It silently ascends to the top of the stage, where it will proceed to unleash a vertical beam of energy.	
4	Pokemon Snivy	Snivy releases a flurry of leaves in a horizontal trajectory. It is the successor to Chikorita.	
5	Pokemon Fennekin	Fennekin releases a small fireball that bursts into a large pillar of flames upon impact. Opponents will take repeated damage.	
6	Pokemon Meowth	Meowth will hurl coins in a horizontal trajectory and will switch the direction it's oriented to face opponents.	
7	Pokemon Goldeen	Goldeen flops on the ground, causing no damage in the process.	
8	Pokemon Kyogre	Kyogre homes-in on an opponent releases a consistent stream of water that pushes them off the screen. It usually causes a one-hit KO.	
9	Neutral Mr. Saturn	Walks around the screen doing no damage. He can be picked up and thrown at the enemy for very little damage.	
10	Boss Master Hand	A giant hand, the final boss.	
11	Boss Yellow Devil	The Yellow Devil appears as a boss on the Wily Castle stage, where, if defeated, ends in a large explosion damaging nearby players except the one who defeated it.	
12	Boss Ridley	A dragon that appears as a boss on the Pyrosphere stage, where, if damaged enough, he can join a fighter's side and be KO'd as a normal fighter.	

Views:

In SQL a view is essentially a virtual table. It is not created through a create table statement and insert functions but rather through queries. This can prove to be incredibly useful when working with relational databases especially because one can create views within views to as many views as needed.

An example of the View I made in my database:

--View of which characters won how many times--

```
CREATE VIEW CharacterWinsList AS
```

```
    SELECT winningCharacter, COUNT(winningCharacter) AS wins  
    FROM matchHistory  
    GROUP BY winningCharacter;
```

Now although I never created a table or column to keep track of which characters won the most, I was able to create a virtual table to do so. The virtual table is called CharacterWinsList. It selects each row in the MatchHistory table and counts which characters have how many wins.

If I run a query on my view such as

```
SELECT* FROM CharacterWinsList;
```

	winningcharacter integer	wins bigint
1	1	1
2	27	3
3	5	2
4	57	1
5	31	1
6	10	1
7	24	1

It treats it as a table and now I have access to a virtual table of the characterids and how many wins each character has. In this case even if two different players win on separate occasions with the same character, it counts as two wins for the character. This is because we are measuring the character's strength with this query.

This next view is a bit more complicated because it combines information from 3 tables.

```
--This creates a view of all the character names and the names of their respective universes--
CREATE VIEW universeAndCharacterNames AS
SELECT c.characterName, u.universeName
FROM FromUniverse as f, universes as u, Characters as c
WHERE f.uid = u.uid
AND c.cid = f.cid
AND c.cid = f.cid
AND u.uid = f.uid
ORDER BY u.universeName;

SELECT*
FROM universeAndCharacterNames;
```

This view creates a virtual table via a query in order to see the names of what characters are from what universe names. This is the result.

Data Output	Explain	Messages	History
	charactername text	universename text	
1	Villager	Animal Crossing	
2	Bayonetta	Bayonetta	
3	Diddy Kong	Donkey Kong	
4	Donkey Kong	Donkey Kong	
5	Duck Hunt	Duck Hunt	
6	Ness	EarthBound	
7	Lucas	EarthBound	
8	Captain Falcon	F-Zero	
9	Cloud	Final Fantasy	
10	Marth	Fire Emblem	
11	Corrin	Fire Emblem	
12	Lucina	Fire Emblem	
13	Robin	Fire Emblem	
14	Ike	Fire Emblem	
15	Roy	Fire Emblem	
16	Mr. Game & Watch	Game & Watch	
17	Dark Pit	Kid Icarus	
18	Pit	Kid Icarus	
19	Palutena	Kid Icarus	
20	Kirby	Kirby	
21	Meta Knight	Kirby	
22	King Dedede	Kirby	
23	Rosalina & Luma	Mario	
24	Bowser Jr.	Mario	
25	Mario	Mario	
26	Dr. Mario	Mario	
27	Peach	Mario	
28	Bowser	Mario	
29	Luigi	Mario	
30	Mega Man	Mega Man	
31	Zero Suit Samus	Metroid	
32	Samus	Metroid	
33	Mii Brawler	Mii	
34	Mii Swordfighter	Mii	
35	Mii Gunner	Mii	
36	Pac-Man	Pac-Man	
37	Olimar	Pikmin	

Example Queries

This is a query to get the fastest character.

```
SELECT characterName
```

```
FROM characters
```

```
WHERE speed in (SELECT max(speed)
```

```
FROM Characters);
```

	charactername text
1	Sonic

Obviously Sonic the Hedgehog was the result for the fastest speed query. This same query structure could be used to find the slowest speed using min(speed) or really the max or min of any attribute.

For Example I can figure out which player got the least kills and with how many kills with this query.

```
SELECT playerName, kills
FROM Players
WHERE kills in (SELECT min(kills)
                FROM Players);
```

This query returns:

Data Output			Explain	Messag
	playername text	kills integer		
1	Alan	0		

Oh... Well that's a shame.

Procedures

One Function I created was to find out who the best Character is. This Function goes through the MatchHistory table to see which character has the most wins.

```
--This function will check the match history and see which character has been used to win the most  
  
DROP FUNCTION IF EXISTS getBestCharacter();  
  
CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION getBestCharacter() RETURNS int AS  
    'SELECT winningCharacter  
    FROM CharacterWinsList  
    ORDER BY wins DESC  
    LIMIT 1;'  
    Language sql;  
  
SELECT* FROM getBestCharacter();
```

Data Output	Explain	Mes
	getbestcharacter integer	
1		27

This returns 27 which is the CharacterID of Ness. Most of the games have been won with Ness so that is why the character shows up.

This next part is a trigger and function.

```
DROP FUNCTION IF EXISTS updateWins();

--Function to Update the wins in the player table whenever a match is added to the matchHistory Table
CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION updateWins() RETURNS trigger AS $$
BEGIN
    UPDATE Players
    SET Wins = (SELECT COUNT(winningPlayer)
                FROM MatchHistory
                WHERE winningPlayer = Players.pid
            )
    FROM matchHistory as mh
    WHERE Players.pid = mh.winningPlayer;
    RETURN new;
END;
$$ Language plpgsql;

--Trigger for when there is an insert on MatchHistory, this will automatically update the players wins
CREATE TRIGGER checkWins
AFTER INSERT on MatchHistory
EXECUTE PROCEDURE updateWins();
```

What is essentially happening is whenever a new row is inserted into MatchHistory, there must have been a winner to the match. This function updates the players table to add one win to whoever just won on the MatchHistory Table.

“CheckWins” is a trigger used to cause the UpdateWins() function to execute.

This is very useful because I don’t have to insert new data for when a match happens. This function takes MatchHistory.winningPlayer, finds the PlayerID in the players table, and adds one to players.wins.

Security

Implementation Notes and Problems

The database turned out pretty much exactly how I wanted it to. I do regret populating the tables so much however. I populated the characters table with all 58 characters from the game, and their real attributes according to the wiki. I should have just populated the table with 15 or so and only put the

important attributes, not weight and speed and such.

Future Enhancements

I would definitely like to see if I could use an API to populate the tables in the future. I was looking into the wiki API and I might have been able to write a function that would populate the characters table with all their real stats if I had more time. I could do this for almost every table in the database if I figured it out and I would be able to populate hundreds of hours of work in just seconds.