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GitHub Link:

https://github.com/michaelzwartz/Database-Systems.git

Zwartz Toys

Database Systems Project

Part 1: Design

1. The product I sell are underwater-themed action figures for the wildly popular (and made up) television show Sebastian and the Mer-Puppies. The show depicts Sebastian, the crab from Little Mermaid, and his adventures running an underwater doggie daycare. We designs and manufactures action figures based on the characters from the show. The toys are marketed for kids aged 4-10 and are designed to be played with in water at the pool/lake or during bath time at home. Our organization is called Timmz Atlantic. Timmz Atlantic is headquartered in Hilton Head, South Carolina. The company purchases raw materials from around the world. The toys are manufactured here in the USA, then shipped and sold in the USA, Canada, and many countries in Western Europe.
2. Timmz Atlantic is a company that’s comparable to Jakks Pacific. Jakks Pacific is an American toy company founded in 1995 and is now a publicly traded. Jakks produces toys for brands such as Super Mario, Sonic the Hedgehog, and APEX Legends. The 2022 third quarter report shows net sales were $323.0 million, a year-over-year increase of 36%. JAKKS’ products are manufactured in factories all over the world, including China, India, Mexico, and the United States. Jakks toys has over 750 employees worldwide but is headquartered in Santa Monica, California. Financial information found [here](https://www.jakks.com/investors/). Employee information found [here](https://www.jakks.com/corporate/careers.php).
3. Diagram

   Description automatically generated with medium confidenceTimmz Atlantic has about 500 employees worldwide. At Timmz, we will use a three-tier client-server. Tier 1 manages user interface. Tier 2 runs the applications by performing business logic and data processing. Tier 3 is the database server is used to access the database. The three tier system can be visualized on the right (flow chart comes from the course PowerPoint). Other tier functions that could be useful are that the client can accepter and verify inputs, process application logic, generate database requests, and display responses. The server will mainly be used to check authorization and provide recovery control.
4. This business will need to store and access many different data types. Primary data types that will be stored will mostly be strings, integers, and floats. Strings could be used as the name of the toy’s character, the location it’s being shipped to, or the retailer its being sold at. Integers can be used for part numbers and floats will be used for costs and quantities of raw materials. This data base will also need to store Boolean data (i.e. recycled material = True or False) and dates/ timestamps.
5. For our old company files that are not compatible with this new Cloud database set up we will middleware to transfer into our new system. Some examples of this tool being used can be found here: [Spiceworks: Top Middleware Software Platforms](https://www.spiceworks.com/tech/cloud/articles/top-middleware-software-platforms/). This article highlights Flow Middleware platform, IBM WebSphere Application Server, JBoss EAP, Oracle Fusion Middleware, and Microsoft BizTalk Server as some of the best middleware platforms. Common formats that systems use to transfer product data include comma separated values, JSON, and XML files.