

nom-inator

Project 1
COMS W4111
Introduction to Databases

Chih-Sheng Wang (cw2952)
Hang Su (hs2761)

Proposal

The *nom-inator* is a restaurant recommendation app that will draw on the Foursquare API, weather reports, as well as the user's location and preferences to recommend restaurants for the user to try out.

Databases needed

1. Restaurant information, along with visit information and their timestamps (Foursquare)
2. Weather data, past and present

Use Cases

1. Filter and sort restaurants that fit a user's requirements at a specific moment in time based on
 - (a) a restaurant's waiting time / popularity;
 - (b) the current time, the day of the week, the weather, and the user's current location; and
 - (c) the user's list of favourite restaurants.
2. Recommend the best days and times to visit a user-specified restaurant.
3. Users can maintain a list of favourite restaurants, that feed into the results for use case 1.

Potential Problems

1. Need information about restaurants' opening hours to avoid erroneous recommendations.
2. How do we efficiently find restaurants near to the user?

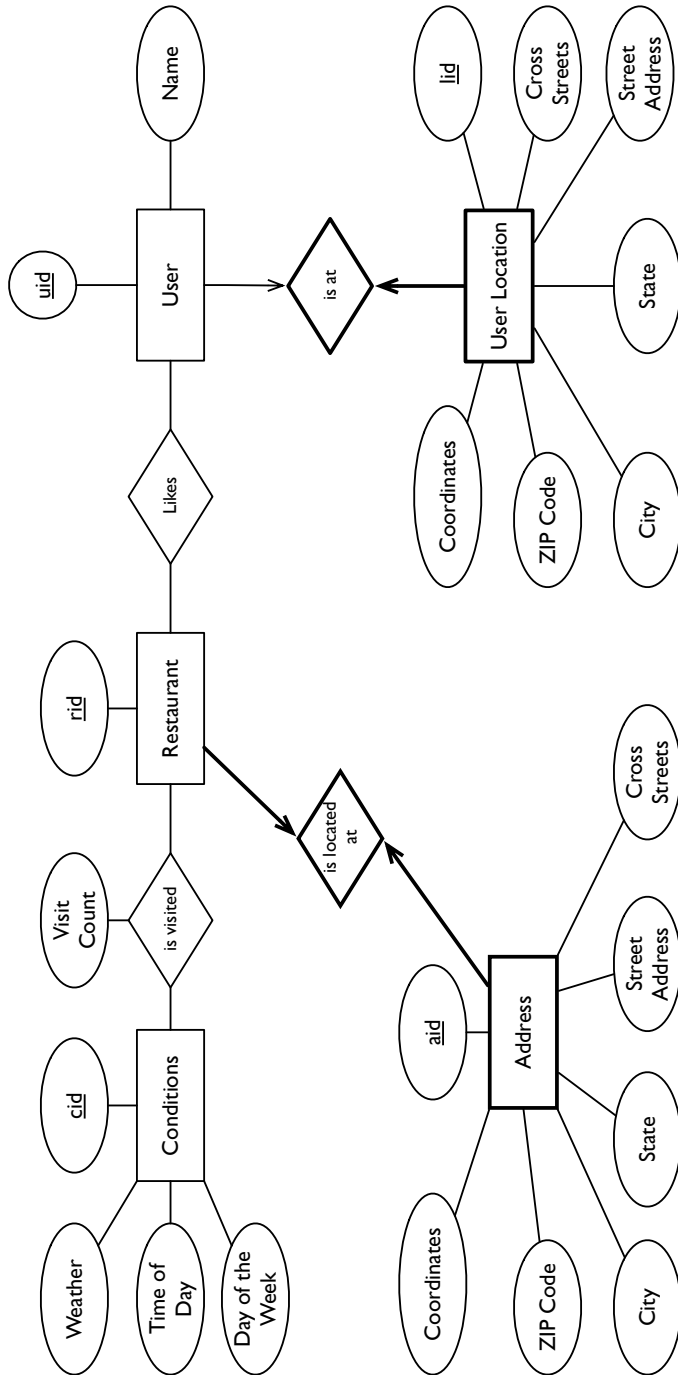
Other Applications

The same recommendation system can potentially be applied to other popular places like museums and tourist attractions.

Contingency Plan

Eliminate use cases 3 and 1c (i.e. the favourites list will not be implemented), as well as use case 1b (i.e. the geolocation search will not be implemented).

ER Diagram



SQL Schema

```
CREATE TABLE User(  
    uid int,  
    name text,  
    lid int,  
    PRIMARY KEY (uid)  
    FOREIGN KEY (lid) REFERENCES User_Location  
)
```

```
CREATE TABLE Rstrnt_of_UserLike(  
    rid int,  
    uid int,  
    PRIMARY KEY(rid, uid)  
    FOREIGN KEY (rid) REFERENCES Restaurant  
        ON DELETE CASCADE  
    FOREIGN KEY (uid) REFERENCES User  
        ON DELETE CASCADE  
)
```

```
CREATE TABLE Restaurant(  
    rid int,  
    aid int NOT NULL,  
    rate int,  
    PRIMARY KEY (rid)  
    FOREIGN KEY (aid, rid) REFERENCES Address  
        ON DELETE NO ACTION  
)
```

```
CREATE TABLE Address(  
    aid int,  
    rid int,  
    coordinate text,  
    zip int,  
    city text,  
    state text,  
    st_addr text,  
    cross_st text,  
    PRIMARY KEY (aid, rid)  
    FOREIGN KEY (rid) REFERENCES Restaurant  
        ON DELETE CASCADE  
)
```

```
CREATE TABLE User_Location(  
    lid int,  
    uid int,  
    coordinate text,  
    zip int,  
    city text,  
    state text,  
    st_addr text,
```

```

    cross_st text,
    PRIMARY KEY(lid, uid)
    FOREIGN KEY (uid) REFERENCES User
        ON DELETE CASCADE
)

CREATE TABLE Condition( -- our prebuilt table, no modifications allowed
    cid int,
    day_of_week int, -- 1~7
    weather text, -- sunny, rainy, snowy, cloudy
    time int, -- 0~24
    PRIMARY KEY (cid)
)

CREATE TABLE Visit(
    rid int,
    cid int,
    count int,
    PRIMARY KEY(rid, cid)
    FOREIGN KEY (rid) REFERENCES Restaurant
        ON DELETE CASCADE
    FOREIGN KEY (cid) REFERENCES Condition
        ON DELETE CASCADE
)

```