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Building Distributed System Project Scope

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List of abbreviations and terms

OSRS

OldSchool RuneScape

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1 Introduction

Since the beginning of online computer games, people have used various means to gain an advantage. Bots are widely used in MMORPGs (Massive multiplayer online role-playing games) to automate repetitive tasks like combat, production, and gathering. The goal of automation is either monetary or educational. Black markets enable people to sell their in-game currency and items for real-world cash. On the other hand, computer games offer a simple, well-defined environment to practice writing algorithms.

RuneScape was launched on January 4th, 2001 (Chalk, 2021), and has consistently been one of the most popular MMORPGs in the world (Saltzman, 2012). There are multiple platforms that enable writing bots. Either by API-s or colours to interact with in-game objects.

Goal of this project is to create an automation manager what enables convenient management of multiple in-game accounts. Providing convenient tool to couple scripts and accounts, give overview of progress made during automation operations. Current automation tools only allow manually changing the script, what is slow and doesn't scale.

2 Diagrams

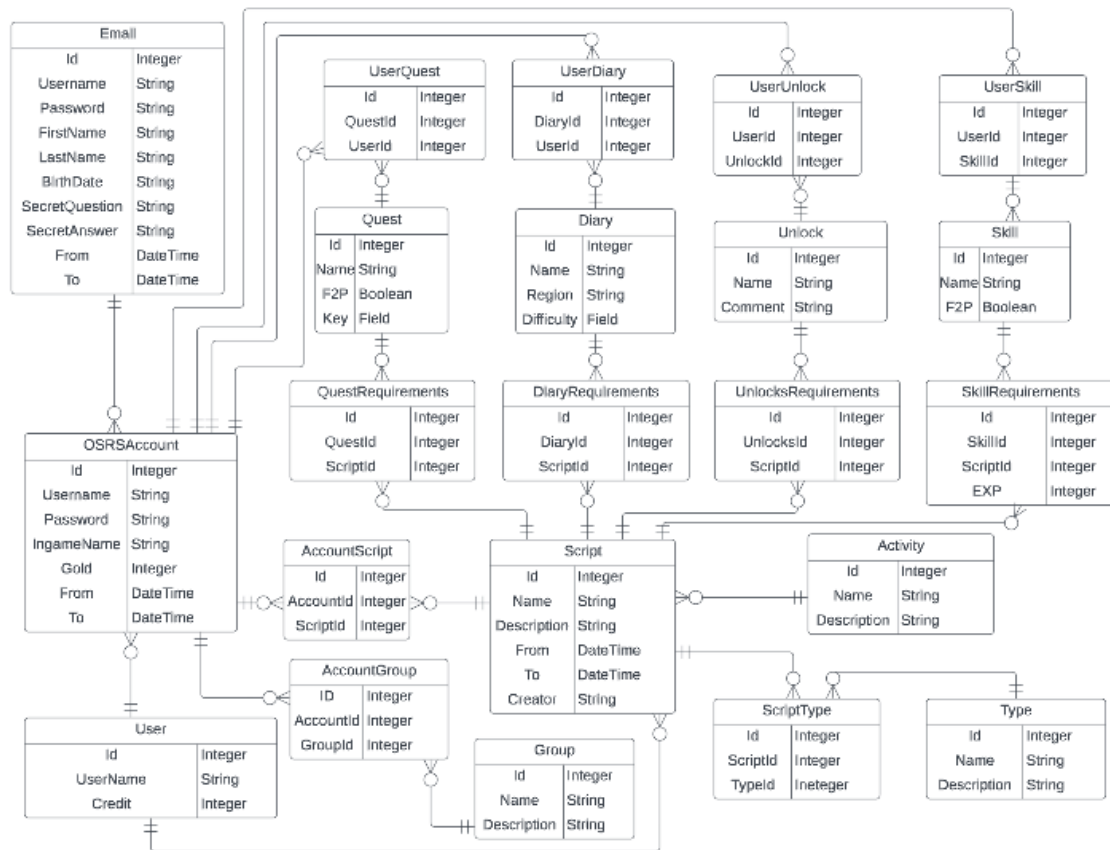
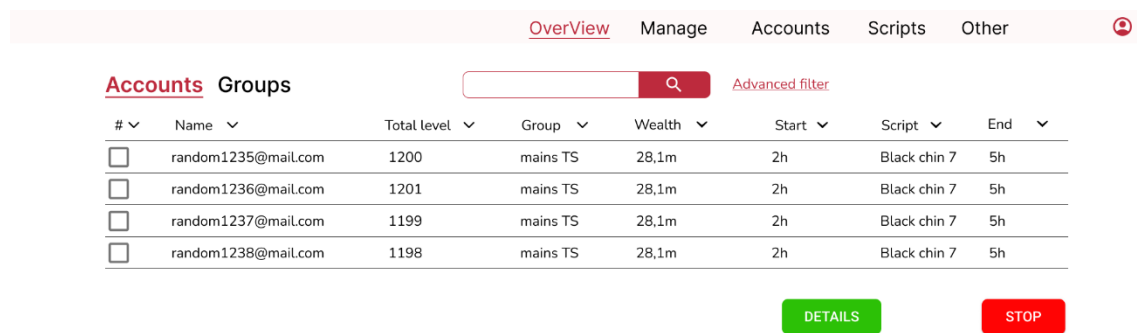


Figure 1. Entity relationship diagram

3 Project Scope

The scope of the current project is to create an automation manager to enable the convenient operation of multiple automation scripts and in-game accounts. The user should be able to add an in-game account and script with all the necessary details, for example, quests, diaries, skills, and unlocks. The user must be able to group accounts to operate them as one entity. Furthermore, there must be a possibility to group scripts by activity and type.



The screenshot displays the 'Overview' page of an automation manager. At the top, there is a navigation bar with tabs: 'OverView' (active), 'Manage', 'Accounts', 'Scripts', and 'Other'. Below the navigation bar, there are tabs for 'Accounts' and 'Groups'. A search bar with a magnifying glass icon and a link to 'Advanced filter' are also present. The main content is a table with columns: '#', 'Name', 'Total level', 'Group', 'Wealth', 'Start', 'Script', and 'End'. The table contains four rows of data, each representing an automation script. Each row has a checkbox in the first column. At the bottom right of the table, there are two buttons: 'DETAILS' (green) and 'STOP' (red).

<div>OverViewManageAccountsScriptsOther</div>							
AccountsGroups						Advanced filter	
#	Name	Total level	Group	Wealth	Start	Script	End
<input type="checkbox"/>	random1235@mail.com	1200	mains TS	28,1m	2h	Black chin 7	5h
<input type="checkbox"/>	random1236@mail.com	1201	mains TS	28,1m	2h	Black chin 7	5h
<input type="checkbox"/>	random1237@mail.com	1199	mains TS	28,1m	2h	Black chin 7	5h
<input type="checkbox"/>	random1238@mail.com	1198	mains TS	28,1m	2h	Black chin 7	5h

DETAILSSTOP

Figure 2. Overview page enables seeing running automations.

OverView

Manage

Accounts

Scripts

Other

ADD NEW ACCOUNT

Active accounts

tommyK45@mail.com

Banned accounts

toomask95@mail.com

tondiraba@mail.com

normy79a@mail.com

normalna9a@mail.com

Adding new account

E-mail information

E-mail

Name

Country

BirthDate

Password

Secret Question

Password

OSRS account information

Password

Ingame name

CLOSE ACCOUNT

CREATE

Figure 3. Adding new in-game account to database

OverView

Manage

Accounts

Scripts

Other

ADD NEW SCRIPT

Active scripts

Zulrah

Archived scripts

Making soft clay

Mining iron ore

Making pie shells

Filling vials

Adding new script

Script information

Name

Activity

Type

Description

GP / hr

+ Skill exp / hr

Requirements

Quest

Imp catcher

+ Skill

Magic

55

ARCHIVE SCRIPT

CREATE

Figure 4. Adding new script to the database

OverView

Manage

Accounts

Scripts

Other

Scripts

Hunt

#	Name	Type	Money made
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hunting black chinchompas	Skilling/Hunter	841,688 gp/h
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hunting implings	Skilling/Hunter	682,415 gp/h
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hunting carnivorous chinchompas	Skilling/Hunter	462,320 gp/h
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hunting chinchompas	Skilling/Hunter	173,130 gp/h

Accounts

Groups

Advanced filter

#	Name	Total level	Group	Wealth	Time
<input type="checkbox"/>	random1235@mail.com	1200	mains TS	28,1m	5h
<input type="checkbox"/>	random1236@mail.com	1201	mains TS	28,2m	5h
<input type="checkbox"/>	random1237@mail.com	1199	mains TS	27,7m	5h
<input type="checkbox"/>	random1238@mail.com	1198	mains TS	28,5m	5h

START

Figure 5. Assigning automation scripts to operate accounts

4 Summary

Current project simplifies operating multiple automation scripts in Old School RuneScape. Improving current command line approaches by giving intuitive and simple UI coupled with ability to group accounts and giving effective overview of accounts and progress made.

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