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Online Game Term

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SFML Game Development by By Jan Haller , Henrik Vogelius Hansson , Artur Moreira, published in June 2013

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1 Scope

This standard defines the terms and definitions of game genres, game research and development, game operations, game copyright, and Esports in the field of online games.

This standard is applicable to the standard formulation, research and development, operation, Esports and copyright management of online games.

2 Normative references

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GB/T32626—2016, Informationtechnology—Onlinegame—Vocabulary

3 Terms and definitions

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- ISO Online browsing platform: available at https://www.iso.org/obp
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3.1 Game Genres

3.1.1

Video Games

Interactive games that run on electronic device platforms.

3.1.2

Single-player Games

Video games with gameplay that only require one device to complete.

3.1.3

Online Games

Video games that depend on information networks to stay online and be playable.

3.1.4

Console Games

Video games run on the TV with the TV screen as a display device.

3.1.5

Handheld Games

Video games run on convenient and portable exclusive game devices.

3.1.6

Online Client/PC Games

Online games played by running client software.

3.1.7

Handheld Mobile Games

Video games run as applications and played on mobile devices.

3.1.8

Webgames

Video games that are run on internet browsers and do not require client software.

3.1.9

2D Games

Video games implemented with two-dimensional interaction, where camera angles usually cannot be changed.

3.1.10

3D Games

Video games developed with spatial stereoscopic technology.

3.1.11

AAA Games

Video games that are high in budget, size and quality.

3.1.12

Turn-based Games

Video games where game characters perform actions alternately.

Note: One alternate action is usually termed as a "turn".

3.1.13

Real-time Games

Video games where various in-game commands are input and their results are displayed in real time.

3.1.14

Competitive Games

A battle game built on fair and logical game regulations and platforms. Usually includes games that are shooters, strategy, action etc.

3.1.15

Shooting Games (First Person Shooting/Third Person Shooting)

Action games with their core gameplay involving precision shooting, with emphasis on utilizing the method of "shooting" to complete objectives.

3.1.16

Fighting Games (FG)

Action games where fighting techniques are used to defeat the opponent and achieve victory.

3.1.17

Adventure Games

Video games where virtual adventures take place with story themes and plot as the backdrop, and combine puzzles, exploration, action and other gameplay elements for a greater user experience.

3.1.18

Simulation Games (Sim Games)

Video games that simulate real life in various forms to increase player familiarity, deduction and intuition.

3.1.19

Simulation Management Games (Sim Management Games)

Simulation games where the player plays a managerial role overseeing macro elements in a virtual world.

3.1.20

Education Simulated Games

Simulation games where the player trains specific characters (persons or animals) to derive a sense of achievement.

3.1.21

Flight Simulation Games

Simulation games that utilize modern technology to incorporate real-life flight scenarios into a virtual computer program to simulate real-life flight commands.

3.1.22

Strategy/4X Games

Video games that utilize tactics or strategy to achieve various forms of victory.

3.1.23

Real-time Strategy Games (RTS)

Strategy games that utilize tactics or strategy to perform real-time combat.

3.1.24

Multiplayer Online Battle Arena Games (MOBA)

Competitive games where two teams of players compete online and strategically against each other on a predefined battlefield. Each player controls a single character with unique skill kits.

3.1.25

Real-time Tactics Games

Video games where players perform tactical commands on a virtual battlefield in real-time.

Note: Real-time tactics games only focus on combat victory, and usually do not include construction or unit production.

3.1.26

Role-playing Games (RPG)

Video games where a player plays one or more characters in-game and interacts in a fictional world.

3.1.27

Action Role-playing Games (ARPG)

Role-playing games that introduce an abundance of action experiences and performances.

3.1.28

Strategy Role-playing Games(SRPG)

Role-playing games that have tactical (usually in "battle chess" format) gameplay with emphasis on battle strategy instead of exploration.

3.1.29

Massive Multiplayer Online Role-playing Games (MMORPG)

Online role-playing games that have servers capable of supporting many players (1000+) online at the same time.

Note: Usually contains a persistent virtual world, where even after the player goes offline, the virtual world still continues progressing on the game publisher's servers.

3.1.30

Tower Defense Games (TD)

Strategy games where the objective is to prevent enemies from getting through by building towers or related buildings on a map.

3.1.31

Rhythm Games

Video games where the player inputs commands and actions in sync with the music.

3.1.32

Sports Games

Video games where sports activities are their main theme.

Note: Sports games provide sports events that reflect normal sports activities and sportsmanship, and allow players to control or manage athletes or teams in-game to perform sports tournaments.

3.1.33

Racing Games

Sports games that simulate race car events.

3.1.34

Endless Runner Games

"Physical exercise" games where players must perform climbing, jumping, obstacle traversal and obtain rewards to reach the destination in the game.

3.1.35

Board Games

Video games adapted from traditional board and card games.

3.1.36

Trading Card Games/Collectible Card Games(TCG/CCG)

Card games where players purchase already-built base decks and other randomized cards (in the form of booster packs) to expand their card selection and perform card battles using various game rules.

3.1.37

Sandbox Games

Video games where players use elements provided by the games to change or create the virtual world within the rules of the base game.

Note: Sandbox games usually focus on creation as their core gameplay.

3.1.38

Survival Games

In a challenging environment, players survive in-game using limited resources to complete various tasks.

Note: Survival games usually focus on surviving as long as possible as their core gameplay.

3.1.39

Idle Games

Video games where players don't have to input real-time commands, but game outcomes are automatically calculated based on the system's various computational rules.

3.1.40

Fishing Games

Video games where fishing is the theme, and have deep seas and rivers as game worlds.

3.1.41

Coloring Games

Video games where players fill out colors in the game's coloring sections.

3.1.42

Dress-up Games

Video games where players play as virtual characters and perform cosmetic make-up, change outfits, design hairstyles etc.

3.1.43

Dating Simulator Games

Video games where players control characters that simulate dating actions.

3.1.44

Puzzle Games

"Brain training" games where players analyze and process information and scenarios that appear ingame to discover clues and solve various puzzles.

3.1.45

Serious Games

Video games where the main objective is to resolve realistic social and industry problems, and encompass three main features: globalization, diversity and contextualization. They also play prevalent roles in

knowledge learning, sparking creativity, expanding on educational academia, management simulation, skill training, behavioural adjustment, developing cultural, moral and personal growth and other aspects.

3.1.46

Word Games

Video games that use words and images as their medium and have set rules as restrictions.

3.1.47

HTML5 Games

Video games that are developed with HTML5 technology (Mobile webpage technology), and have webpage interaction and cross-platform capabilities.

3.1.48

Virtual Reality Games (VR)

Video games that use virtual reality technology and devices to create an immersive virtual world in which players can experience.

3.1.49

Augmented Reality Games (AR)

Video games that use augmented reality technology to combine in-game content and the real world.

3.1.50

Cloud Games

Online games that fundamentally rely on cloud computing. All games are run on cloud servers, and game scenarios are rendered via video and audio streaming and transmitted to players through a network connection.

3.2 Game Research and Development

3.2.1

Game Design

Writing of game background story, setting game rules, calculating game formulae, designing game world details and other activities.

3.2.2

Game Engine

An already-written key component of an editable game engine or interactive real-time image processor.

3.2.3

Game Modeling

Creation and design of models of environments, characters, items etc. to scale.

3.2.4

Game Modding

Creation of a modified or improved program of a game that modifies in-game items, characters, objects, modes, storylines etc., or adds new items and objects.

3.2.5

Game Balance

Ensuring a game meets assigned experience objectives, that its system scale and complexity match expected results, while its system's elements work normally in tandem at the same time with no unexpected results.

3.2.6

Game Scene

A virtual space comprising environments, buildings, machinery, items, trees, the sky, roads and other usable elements (including weapon items and NPCs etc.) in a game.

3.2.7

Game Map

A reduced image of the in-game environment that includes its environmental elements, building elements and areas where the character can and cannot traverse.

3.2.8

Game Audio

Sound effects and music played when certain behavior and actions are performed in a game.

3.2.9

Game Concept Art

Creation of art materials that adhere to design document settings according to game design documents.

3.2.10

Game Prototype/Demonstration (Demo)

A playable or demo game version that showcases a portion of the game's core gameplay and features.

3.2.11

Game Server Side

A program installed on a server to implement network request data transfers, storage verification and other functions that serve multiple clients.

Game Client Side

A game program that corresponds to the game server side and is installed on a user's local terminal that interoperates with the server side programs.

3.2.13

Game End Device

A device that processes online game commands and inputs/outputs.

3.2.14

Gamepad/Game Controller

A device that acts as a game's input controller and usually comprises directional keys and function keys.

3.2.15

Cloud Virtual Pad/Controller

An emulated game controller with dedicated buttons provided for mobile devices in a cloud gaming environment that simulates button input with touch-screen functionality on the mobile device.

3.2.16

Game Script

A game program written with programming language.

3.2.17

Game Add-on

A legal software tool that helps players realize game controls by emulating keyboard strokes, mouse movements and other methods.

3.2.18

Editor

A tool used by game developers to produce in-game content. Includes level editors, character editors, event editors etc.

3.2.19

Downloadable Content (DLC)

Digital media distributed via the internet mainly aimed at released video games, and can be downloaded for additional updated content.

3.2.20

Game Season Pass

A compilation of future game DLCs added during a certain period of time.

Localization

Additional optimization, adaptation and/or processing of exported or imported games to meet special political, legal, cultural, linguistic, functional and other requirements for the local market.

3.2.22

Level of Detail (LOD)

The complexity of 3D model representation, whereby resource allocation of a rendered object is determined by its position and importance of its placement in the displayed environment, and unimportant object polygons and details are reduced to achieve more efficient rendering workload.

3.2.23

Wallhack

Usage of a third-party program to draw the outlines of other players behind obstacles and detect their locations.

3.2.24

Keyframe Animation Method

A type of animation method that involves first adding a few key frames before filling the frames with in-betweens.

3.2.25

Behavior Tree

Mainly used for game AI modeling by expressing decisions and behavior in different states, using a tree structure.

3.2.26

Ambient Occlusion(AO)

The resulting effect of blocking surrounding diffuse light when portrayed objects and objects intersect or are near.

3.2.27

Shader

An editable program that implements image rendering used to process image illumination, brightness, color etc.

3.2.28

Character Art

A type of game character drawing with a transparent background for convenient usage in game production.

Full Motion Video (FMV)

A narrative method for video games using pre-recorded video files to show game plot.

3.2.30

Global Illumination (GI)

A system that models how comprehensive lighting such as reflection, refraction, caustics etc. is produced when colors and objects interact with one another in the 3D engine.

3.2.31

Real-time Rendering

Real-time calculation and output of graphical data.

Note: IEC TC 100 Audio, video and multimedia systems and equipment

3.2.32

Physically Based Rendering (PBR)

A simple, physics-based, real-time rendering of materials can describe more accurately how light interacts with surfaces.

Note: IEC TC 100 Audio, video and multimedia systems and equipment

3.2.33

3D Texturing/Texture Mapping/Mapping

The process of mapping surface textures over a 3D model. Can be divided into: ID mapping, UV mapping, texture mapping etc.

3.2.34

Virtual Joystick

A touch-screen joystick simulated by a program to achieve character or camera angle movement in a game.

3.2.35

Graphics Primitive

Small images used in-game that can be displayed at high speed.

3.2.36

Light Trail

Trail effect produced by in-game moving objects.

3.2.37

Seamless Map

A map that does not require loading when switching maps or environments.

3.2.38

Scroll

A level mode where game content continuously move in a certain direction.

3.2.39

Players on the Same Screen

The number of user characters on-screen at the same time in-game.

3.2.40

Invisible Wall

An invisible obstacle in a game. Looks traversable visually, but movement is prohibited.

3.2.41

Player

Participants in a game or in-game users.

3.2.42

Guild

A type of organization in a game formed by different players with specific names and labels. A group that shares a common interest and combined forces to achieve specific objectives.

3.2.43

Non-player Character (NPC)

The generic term for all game characters other than those of the players.

[GB/T 32626—2016, definition 2.2.5]

3.2.44

Game Pet

Belongs to a game's user, growing with a player's active behavior and is controlled by both a certain system program and the player him/herself.

[GB/T 32626—2016, definition 2.2.6]

3.2.45

Virtual Currency

A virtual exchange tool issued by online game publishing companies, and directly or indirectly purchased by game users using fiat currency at set conversion rates. Exists outside the game program, is stored in servers provided by online game publishers in the form of electromagnetic records, and is indicated in specific digital units.

Note: Revised GB/T 32626—2016's definition 2.2.8.

Cross-server Battle

A versus combat outcome among users on different servers in the same game by way of temporary data extraction.

[GB/T 32626—2016, definition 2.2.10]

3.2.47

Player Versus Player (PvP)

A game mode where players fight against other players.

Note: Revised GB/T 32626—2016's definition 2.2.12.

3.2.48

Player Versus Environment (PvE)

Player Versus AI

A game mode where players fight against opponents controlled by the computer.

Note: Revised GB/T 32626—2016's definition 2.2.13.

3.2.49

Clan Battle

A game mode where players form small groups i.e. clans or battle teams as a unit and fight against each other in group combat.

Note: Typically seen in MOBA games where there will be extended periods of time when groups fight against each other.

3.2.50

Save File

Saving of player game progress and other data in digital information format.

3.2.51

Save Point

A location or time during which players can perform save commands in the game.

3.2.52

Game Instance

An exclusive, time-restricted game space created by the system for a player or a group of players in a party.

Note: Revised GB/T 32626—2016's definition 2.2.14.

3.2.53

Local Area Network Battle (LAN Battle)

A game mode where game players achieve versus combat in a local area network.

3.2.54

(Game) Item

An item used by players provided in-game.

Note: Revised GB/T 32626—2016's definition 2.2.21.

3.2.55

Bound Item

An item only exclusive to a certain character in-game, and cannot be transferred between characters.

3.2.56

Mount

Vehicle

An interactive character or item that helps players move in levels, maps and plot.

3.2.57

Consumable

An item with limited uses in a game.

3.2.58

Skin

An external decorative effect of a game character or item, or a special decoration for game user interfaces (UI).

3.2.59

Game Mall

Platform that sells in-game virtual items.

3.2.60

Game Compendium/Index/Archive/Codex

Related information of a game's displayed virtual items, characters and other things.

3.2.61

Game Faction

A character-type attribute in a game, and the label or tag of how players differentiate themselves and form groups in multiplayer games.

3.2.62

Stage/Level

The progression of a game, usually depicted through maps or missions/quests.

Stage/Level Clear

All the stages/levels that must be completed from start to finish once in a game.

3.2.64

Game Perspective

Camera Perspective

The angle with which players view game content.

3.2.65

First Person Perspective

The screen does not show the protagonist's perspective, but through protagonist's own line of sight.

3.2.66

Third Person Perspective

A line of sight viewed from the third-person perspective.

3.2.67

Game Rewards

EXP or virtual items and other rewards assigned in the game.

3.2.68

Achievement

Rewards, titles, prestige and other rewards received by meeting in-game progression conditions through a player's in-game behavior.

3.2.69

Economy System

A set of rules and regulations revolving around in-game virtual currency and resource output and consumption.

3.2.70

Trade System

A functional system where players can exchange or trade items either among themselves or with the system in-game.

3.2.71

Friends System

A functional system that supports player establishing social connections and saving their relationship progress in-game.

3.2.72

Chat System

A functional system where players send and receive messages with and from one another.

3.2.73

Face/Character Customization System

A functional system where players can customize their virtual avatars' facial features.

3.2.74

Character Outfit System

A functional system where character equipment, outfits and other cosmetic items can be changed, which also changes their character's outlook in the game.

3.2.75

Class Change System

A functional system where characters in-game change classes or jobs from their current one to another.

3.2.76

Combat System

A functional system that allows game characters to engage in combat with each other.

3.2.77

Achievement System

A functional system that includes many independent personal achievements, and when players reach certain objectives, they can claim these achievement points in the system and accumulate them to obtain various rewards.

3.2.78

Mobs/Monsters

Units in a game that confront players; usually referring to NPCs using similar module composition, are large in numbers and have possessed no complicated behavior.

Note: Players can defeat mobs to obtain EXP, virtual currency and other in-game rewards.

3.2.79

Elite Mobs/Monsters

Units that possess stronger attributes or special skills.

3.2.80

Boss

The last enemy of a level, story act or area in a game. Story progression at this point is locked until the boss is defeated and the level is cleared.

Drops/Loot

Items provided by enemies or mobs upon defeating them in a game.

3.2.82

Story Quest/Mission

Mandatory missions that drive the game story or core event design and must be completed in order to continue story progression.

3.2.83

Side Quest/Mission

Non-mandatory secondary story missions that do not affect the participation or completion of main missions.

3.2.84

Skills

Abilities (including attack, defense, support and other abilities) that game characters can obtain through various means.

3.2.85

Active Skills

Skills possessed by game characters, pets or mounts etc. that need to be actively input to be cast.

3.2.86

Passive Skills

Skills possessed by game characters, pets or mounts etc. that do not need to be actively input to be cast.

3.2.87

Crowd Control Skills (CC)

Skills that limit character movement, skill cast and effects, item usage etc.

3.2.88

Summon Skills

Skills that summon other game characters or items etc.

3.2.89

Healing Skills

Specific skills that increase health in-game.

3.2.90

Class Skills

Special skills of characters pertaining to their different classes.

3.2.91

Area of Effect (AoE) Skills

Skills that can be used on multiple targets and are cast by game characters in a specific range.

3.2.92

Ultimate/Special Skill

A character's powerful offensive skill.

3.2.93

Skill Pre-cast

The process when a character starts casting a skill to when the skill is released.

3.2.94

Skill Post-cast

The process when a character releases a skill to when it completes the skill cast.

3.2.95

Cast Time

The time consumed from when a skill is released to when it takes effect or ends.

3.2.96

Game Character Attributes

A game character's related ability values. Include: Health, Experience Points, Attack, Defense, etc.

3.2.97

Health Points (HP)

Life

The health value of a character or combat unit.

3.2.98

Magic/Mana Points (MP)

The quantitative value of a game character's usable magic energy.

3.2.99

Experience Points (EXP/XP)

Points that a game character obtains by completing in-game events to increase its level.

Note: Revised GB/T 32626—2016's definition 2.2.9.

3.2.100

Skill Points

Points used to exchange for new skills or increase skill levels in a game.

3.2.101

Battle/Combat Power

A calculated overall value that aggregates a player's various abilities.

Note: In games that primarily focus on character growth (RPGs, SLGs, etc.), combat power is calculated according to player equipment, skills, attributes etc. In battle arena games, combat power is calculated according to a player's past battle history.

3.2.102

Basic/Normal Attack

The most basic and normal form of attack in a game.

3.2.103

Physical Attack

An attack that deals damage using limbs, instruments/equipment/objects, etc.

3.2.104

Trajectory

The path of a weapon's ranged shot or player skill in a game.

3.2.105

Attack Detection

In action, shooter, fighter and other game genres, the system determines if an attack is effective.

3.2.106

Critical Hit

An attack that deals higher than normal damage.

3.2.107

Block

An act that prevents an enemy's attack and nullifies or reduces damage received.

3.2.108

Cooldown Time (CD)

The required time interval between using virtual items or casting skills in succession in a game.

3.2.109

Global Cooldown Time (GCD)

A shared cooldown time interval of similar or all skills.

3.2.110

Continuous Casting

The circumstance when a caster continuously maintains a skill's effect.

Note: During cast channeling, the caster usually cannot move or cast other skills.

3.2.111

Healing Over Time(HoT)

Continued healing performed on a target over a period of time.

3.2.112

Physical Damage

Damage dealt by physical attacks.

3.2.113

Magical Damage

Damage dealt by magical attacks.

3.2.114

Attribute Damage

Damage dealt by game-defined attributes interacting with one another.

3.2.115

Friendly-fire Damage

Damage dealt by ally attacks.

3.2.116

Damage Over Time (DoT)

Continued damage dealt to a target over a period of time.

3.2.117

Damage Reflect

The circumstance when a character deals damage to a target and receives damage at the same time in a game.

3.2.118

Armor/Defense

An attribute used to reduce received damage by a player, usually only reducing physical damage.

3.2.119

Physical Defense

Defensive value against physical attacks.

Magical Defense

Defensive value against various magical attacks.

3.2.121

Magical Resistance

An attribute that reduces magical damage.

3.2.122

Stamina/Endurance

The attribute that restricts player in-game behavioral attempts.

3.2.123

Fatigue

The duration a player spends in a game performing actions. Upon reaching a certain value, no actions can be performed in the game, and can only be restored after waiting for a certain period of time.

3.2.124

Durability

The consumption value of item usage in a game.

3.2.125

Duel

A non-fatal match previous agreed upon between players in a game.

3.2.126

Tutorial

Information that provides help and guidance to players who have just entered a game for the first time.

Note: Revised GB/T 32626—2016's definition 2.2.11.

3.2.127

Safe Zone

Safe house

An area where characters in-game will not receive damage.

3.2.128

Spawn Point

The initial location of a player in a game.

Respawn Point

A special area where the game can progress when characters die in-game or resume their game progress.

3.2.130

Portal

A special area that allows quick transportation from one location to another specified location.

3.2.131

Recruit

Game users can obtain new characters or allies through specific means in a game.

3.2.132

Attribute Point Adding

The act of players distributing or assigning attribute and skill points to their game characters.

3.2.133

Enhance/Upgrade

The act of increasing a user character or virtual item's values in a game.

3.2.134

(Game) Equipment

A series of items that can be equipped in-game. Usually directly or indirectly impacts offensive and defensive utility, and affects game character attribute values and combat power.

3.2.135

Equipment Grade

A design concept that differentiates equipment values into tiers according to their strengths. Usually divided into grades: ordinary, superior, rare, epic, legendary etc.

3.2.136

Equipment Enhance

The act of consuming certain materials and game currency to upgrade equipment characteristics.

3.2.137

Buff

A status where a game character's attributes and abilities are improved.

Note: Revised GB/T 32626—2016's definition 2.2.3.

3.2.138

Debuff

A status where a game character's attributes and abilities are weakened.

Note: Revised GB/T 32626—2016's definition 2.2.4.

3.2.139

Physical Immunity

A status of being completely immune to physical damage in a game.

3.2.140

Magical Immunity

A status of being completely immune to magical damage in a game.

3.2.141

Aura

A passive skill that allows its possessor and nearby units in a certain radius to be granted with certain characteristics.

3.2.142

(Attacked) Flinch

A "stun" action produced when striking enemies or being struck by attacks in a game.

3.2.143

Invincible

A status of being completely immune to attacks and crowd control in a game.

3.2.144

Crowd Control Immunity

A status of being immune to displacement and crowd control in a game.

3.2.145

Stun

A status that persists for a period of time, during which a character is unable to perform any actions and a stun animation and light effects are displayed.

3.2.146

Stealth

An effect when a character cannot be seen by non-allies.

3.2.147

Quick-time Event (QTE)

Events that test player reaction. Players must quickly react to events displayed on the game screen and input the corresponding commands.

3.2.148

Private Message (PM)

A private message sent from one player to another.

3.2.149

Offline Version

A running game version where a player does not log into the server.

3.2.150

Offline PvP

When the system automatically accepts challenges from other online players while the other player is offline.

3.2.151

Cloud Game Playability

A player's overall experience in a cloud gaming environment determined by interactive response times, game video streaming speeds, video quality, etc.

3.2.152

Cloud Game Streaming

In a cloud gaming environment, audio and video data are bundled using a transport protocol and converted into streaming data and transmitted to users.

3.2.153

Cloud Game Video Encoding

Using compression technology, the cloud game's source video format file is converted into another video format file in the cloud.

3.3 Game Live Operations

3.3.1

Official Website

A game publisher's official website that provides services including but not limited to: game client downloads, game information and resource browsing, notices, news announcements etc. for game users.

Note: Rewrite the definition 2.2.12 of GB/T32626—2016.

3.3.2

Cloud Gaming Service Provider

A vendor that provides users with cloud gaming services and technically provides a cloud platform that executes cloud-based processing of game content.

Cloud Gaming Subscription Model

A payment model where cloud gaming service providers bundle cloud game platform services and content and rent them to users in a "packaged" or "bundled" price.

3.3.4

Community Management

The act of managing and maintaining a user community.

3.3.5

Live Operations

Refers to game operators targeting users with attraction, sales and other events in-game and outside of it.

3.3.6

Account

User-registered information with online game service companies, entering an online game with said information including username, password, personal information etc.

Note: Revised GB/T 32626—2016's definition 2.3.9.

3.3.7

Account Suspension/Ban

The act of freezing a user's game account to prohibit continued usage.

Note: Revised GB/T 32626—2016's definition 2.3.16.

3.3.8

Revoke Rights

The act that game operators implement to temporarily or permanently revoke some or all of a game user's privileges.

Note: Revised GB/T 32626—2016's definition 2.3.21.

3.3.9

Block List/Ban List/Blacklist

A list of rejected IPs or user accounts.

3.3.10

Whitelist

Allowed accounts or IPs in situations enforcing restricted access policies.

Note: Outside users cannot access a game during server shutdowns, but to evaluate release version quality, some testers may be allowed to log into the game to QA the game. Provision of test accounts is considered whitelisting.

Server Launch

An act where the game can be logged in normally during closed beta testing, open beta testing and other key operational launch phases.

[GB/T 32626—2016, definition 2.3.18]

3.3.12

New Server Launch

An act where new servers are added and run to accommodate more users for an online game.

Note: Revised GB/T 32626—2016's definition 2.3.19.

3.3.13

Server Merge

An act where different servers of a game are able to exchange data with each other, allowing data merging between servers.

3.3.14

Server Shutdown

An act where an online game operator halts game services for one or more groups of servers.

3.3.15

(Game) Lobby

A place where game users gather before getting ready for combat.

3.3.16

Stress Test

A testing method on a game system's database, network and server load capabilities to ensure that it is functioning properly and stable.

3.3.17

Closed Beta

Testing of a game's design features accessible to the game developer's testers and a limited number of game users who meet testing conditions.

[GB/T 32626—2016, definition 2.3.3]

3.3.18

Open Beta

User experience (UX) testing post-closed beta accessible to all game users.

Note: Revised GB/T 32626—2016's definition 2.3.6.

Game Guide/Walkthrough/FAQ

A game guide detailing game progress, gameplay and techniques, and/or clearing the game to completion.

3.3.20

User Generated Content (UGC)

Game-related buildings, art, social ecosystems and other relevant game guides, information and other content created by users themselves.

3.3.21

Professionally Generated Content (PGC)

Game content created by professionals that are visually higher in quality and harder to create than content created by game users themselves.

3.3.22

Game Merchandise/Peripherals

Related products derived from using a certain game as the theme and packaging potential merchandising resources in creative ways.

Note: Can be toys, food, accessories and other physical items, or music, images, books and other cultural products with the game as the main concept.

3.3.23

Game Administrator/Gamemaster (Admin/GM)

A game operator's online game manager whose main responsibility is to enforce game regulations and maintain order in an online game.

[GB/T 32626—2016, definition 2.3.14]

3.3.24

Game Digital Marketing

The act of promoting a game via digital marketing and attracting user clicks and registrations etc. by way of obtaining advertising space and other advertising resources in internet applications.

3.3.25

Game User Acquisition (UA)

The act of funneling users obtained by an online game operator into a game, depending on game circumstances.

3.3.26

Complaints Processing Time

The time interval from when a game operator records a complainant's information to when the operator provides a solution for the complainant.

[GB/T 32626—2016, definition 2.3.22]

3.3.27

Pre-download

The act of releasing the client download early, before a game is released.

3.3.28

Mute

When game customer support uses admin tools to revoke a player's ability to send messages within in-game communication functions.

3.3.29

Rollback

The status where a server's data is partially or fully restored to a previous timestamp.

Note: Revised GB/T 32626—2016's definition 2.3.15.

3.3.30

(Game) In-app Purchase (IAP)

A game monetization model where players purchase virtual items, game currency etc. in a game.

3.3.31

Battle Pass

An IAP method where players are rewarded for their activity. Players can purchase "battle passé" to obtain their own activity rewards.

3.3.32

Peak Concurrent Users (PCU)

The greatest number of users online at the same time during a reference period.

3.3.33

Daily Average Session/Online Time

The average time spent online of daily active users.

Note: Calculation formula is usually Daily Total Time Online/Daily Active Users.

3.3.34

Daily Engagement Count (DEC)

The total count of a user's daily engagement with the game. Usually used to measure a game's stickiness.

3.3.35

Average Session/Online Time

The average time spent online of all active users during a reference period.

Daily Active Users (DAU)

The average value of users online at the same time during a reference period.

3.3.37

New User Conversion Rate

The rate of registered users who completed the tutorial in a game during a reference period.

3.3.38

Rolling Users

Users who play a game on a new server when they already have existing characters.

3.3.39

Churned Users

Users who did not log into a game during a reference period.

Note: Can be divided into Daily Churned Users, Weekly Churned Users, Monthly Churned Users etc.

3.3.40

Returning Users

Churned users who log into the game again during a reference period.

3.3.41

Daily Churned Users

The daily number of users who logged in the current day and did not log in to the game for the next N days.

Note: *N* is usually denoted in 2, 3, 7 for Day 2 Churned Users, Day 3 Churned Users and Day 7 Churned Users respectively.

3.3.42

Weekly Churned Users

The weekly number of users who logged in last week but did not log into the game on the current week.

3.3.43

Monthly Churned Users

The monthly number of users who logged in last month but did not log into the game on the current month.

3.3.44

Churn Rate

The rate of the number of active users on the previous reference week against the number of active users on the next reference week. Calculated parameters can be categorized into Daily Churn Rate, Weekly Churn Rate, Monthly Churn Rate etc.

3.3.45

Retained Users

Users who have logged in from the day they registered to the reference period.

3.3.46

Day N Retention Rate

The rate of the number of users who logged in on Day *N* among new users on a certain day.

Note: *N* is usually denoted in 2, 3, 7 and 30 for Day 2 Retention Rate, Day 3 Retention Rate, Day 7 Retention Rate, Weekly Retention Rate and Monthly Retention Rate respectively.

3.3.47

Active Users (AU)

Users who have logged in at least once during a reference period.

Note: Usually can be denoted as Daily Active Users, Weekly Active Users, Monthly Active Users etc.

[GB/T 32626—2016, definition 2.3.8]

3.3.48

Weekly Active Users (WAU)

The number of active users calculated weekly.

3.3.49

Monthly Active Users (MAU)

The number of active users calculated in a calendar month.

3.3.50

Daily Active Users (DAU)

The number of active users calculated daily.

3.3.51

Paid/Paying Users (PU)

Users who registered in a game and have monetized.

[GB/T 32626—2016, definition 2.3.2]

3.3.52

Active Paying Accounts

The total number of paying accounts that have logged in at least once during a reference period.

Average Revenue Per User/Average Revenue Per Active User (ARPU)

The average game revenue derived from each user during a reference period. Can be obtained from Total Revenue/Active Users.

3.3.54

Average Revenue Per Paying User (ARPPU)

The average game revenue derived from each paying user during a reference period. Can be obtained from Total Revenue/Paying Users.

3.3.55

User Lifetime

The time interval from when a player logged into the game for the first time till the last time logged in before churning.

3.3.56

User Lifetime Value (LTV)

The total revenue created from a user's lifetime in a game.

Note: Formula calculation is LTV=LT×ARPU

Variables: LTV—User Lifetime Value, LT—User Lifetime, ARPU—Average Revenue Per Active User.

3.3.57

User Acquisition Cost

The cost incurred from obtaining a new user.

3.3.58

Unique Visitors (UV)

The number of users with different IP addresses who visited a website or clicked on a webpage.

3.4 Game Copyright

3.4.1

International Standard Book Number

A numeric commercial book identifier which is intended to be unique.

3.4.2

Game License Number

Generic term for an approval number issued by the national governing body approving its respective game operation. Includes the game's Game Approval Number and ISBN.

3.4.3

Internet Content Provider License (ICP)

A license policy for vendors providing internet information services according to the Measures on the Administration of Internet Information Services of China, and one of the criteria for a game's online operation.

3.4.4

Anti-addiction System

A set of restriction measures designed to prevent under aged individuals from becoming addicted to online games.

3.4.5

Blocked/Banned Words

Profanity Filter

Words that have been blocked from showing to create a more conducive online game environment.

3.4.6

Healthy Gaming Advice (HGA)

Full text published in a notable position in a game, usually when a user starts the game: Resist unhealthy games. Reject pirated games. Pay attention to personal security. Beware of fraud. Game in moderation. Addiction causes health problems. Manage your time. Enjoy a healthy life.

3.4.7

Game Age Rating

Categorized suitable age ranges and labels that match game content to teenagers of different age groups according to physiological and cognitive abilities, and moral standards.

3.4.8

Online Game Real-name System

A measure where online game users use their real name and identities to perform real-name registration.

3.4.9

Parental Monitoring/Parental Guidance Controls

A social public welfare movement that builds harmonious family relationships by increasing parental supervision on minors participating in online games and guiding them towards healthy participation of online games.

3.4.10

Software Copyright

Various exclusive software rights owned by software developers or other authorized entities according to relevant copyright regulations.

3.4.11

Game Operation Rights

The rights for a game operator to release a game product on the market and, through product operations, increase user awareness, understanding and playing of said product, eventually converting potential customers into loyal users.

3.4.12

Game Adaptation Rights

The rights to adapt other artistic works into games in accordance with copyright laws.

3.4.13

Copyright License Fee

The required payment fee to obtain authorization of a game work's copyright.

3.4.14

Copyright Trust

The act where the copyrights owner entrusts said copyrights to the trustee for management, and the trustee is responsible for copyright operation. The copyrights owner obtains operation revenue, and at the same time, pays trust revenue to the trustee.

3.4.15

Copyright Trade

A method of obtaining copyrights or authorized use of a work. The rights holder and user perform an act of trade with the copyrights as the subject within previously agreed upon business terms.

3.4.16

Copyright Import

A copyright trade activity where, through transferal, authorization or other means, overseas (including Hong Kong, Macao and Taiwan) rights holders import authorized works or IPs that they own into the local market.

3.4.17

GameIntellectual Property (IP)

Intellectual property rights produced from game works, including but not limited to game trademarks, game material content copyrights, software copyrights and patents.

3.4.18

Game Delisting

An act when various game platforms or game operator platforms do not provide downloading and sales or marketing services for a game product any longer.

3.4.19

Supervision

An act where the original copyrights owner provides feedback on the produced works of the copyrighted IP over the course of its process of adaptation or its related works.

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3.4.20

Private Server

A network server established via acquisition of a game server's server-side installation program or source code without the authorization of the copyrights owner and through illegitimate means.

3.4.21

Private Server Distribution Website/Platform

A distribution platform website provided for a game's private servers.

3.4.22

Reskinned Game

A game that has had its game visuals, item design, text descriptions, sound effects, story theme, game name and other visual elements changed without changing its gameplay rules, character relations and other core game features.

3.4.23

Doujin Work

Created non-commercial works spawned from content (such as images, audio, text etc.) of games, novels, plays and other artistic works.

3.4.24

Gold Farmer

An organization or individual that make a living from obtaining in-game gold or virtual items and equipment in video games, then sells them for real-world currency.

3.4.25

Multiboxing

Logging into multiple accounts at the same time on one game client to play a game.

3.4.26

Game Text Script

Text content that appears in online games, including but not limited to game UI text, story summary text, character dialogue text etc.

3.4.27

Hack/Cheat Programs

A cheat program that uses programming language to target one or more online games to achieve automatic playing of games or tampers with game settings.

Note: Revised GB/T 32626—2016's definition 2.3.11.

3.4.28

Account Hack/Takeover (ATO)

The act of forcefully acquiring other players' accounts through trojan horses, fraud, phishing and other illegitimate methods.

3.4.29

Pirated Games

Games that have been illegally copied, distributed, used and sold outside the scope of legal authority without the game copyrights owner or legal authority's permission.

3.5 Electronic Sports

3.5.1

Electronic Sports (E-sports)

A virtual competitive sports activity based on competitive games, with software and hardware devices as its equipment and revolving around information technology. E-sports take place in a virtual environment created by information technology, adhering to standardized competitive rules and carried out fairly with the pretext that said rules are upheld.

3.5.2

E-sports Tournament

The generic term for electronic sports competitions, mainly referring to team-based, rule-abiding, esports format competitions and its related forms.

3.5.3

First-party Tournament

A related e-sports tournament organized by game developers, operators and other game vendors by themselves.

3.5.4

Third-party Tournament

An e-sports tournament hosted by a non-gaming vendor.

3.5.5

E-sports Media

A media platform that provides news relevant to e-sports tournaments.

3.5.6

E-sports Streaming Platform

A streaming platform that includes e-sports tournament content.

3.5.7

E-sports Industry

An emerging industry formed globally from the rapid development of the world's game industry in the late 1990s, and is a combination of the technological, cultural, sports and media industries. It is an excellent space for creative development that has obvious interconnected, economic and social effects.

3.5.8

E-sports Products

Software and hardware products and service platforms developed by relevant enterprises in the esports industry for use on e-sports culture, entertainment, tournaments, training and academic teaching.

3.5.9

E-sports Stadium

A venue dedicated to the organization of e-sports events and their related assortment of activities.

3.5.10

E-sports Team

An organization whose objective is to join e-sports tournaments. An e-sports team comprising a coach and its team members.

3.5.11

E-sports Coach

A member of an e-sports team who is responsible for guiding athletes and dictating strategy and tactics in e-sports tournaments.

3.5.12

E-sports Training Partner

A person who performs tactical training with other team members during an e-sports tournament.

3.5.13

E-sports Referee

A person who, during e-sports matches, ensures that they are carried out transparently, fairly and impartially, and determines participant (or team) results, wins and losses and rankings according to match outcomes.

3.5.14

E-sports Athlete/Professional Gamer/Pro Gamer

A professional player who has earned the right to participate in e-sports tournaments after multiple selection rounds.

3.5.15

E-sports Shoutcaster

A person who is responsible for commentating or in charge of hosting during e-sports tournaments, and is involved in planning, editing, recording, production, crowd hype and other work.

3.5.16

E-sports Event Coordinator/Manager

A person who organizes events and manages content in the e-sports industry.

3.5.17

E-sports Employee

A person who works in different aspects of e-sports, such as tournaments, training, experiences and event shows.

3.5.18

Swiss System

A type of competition system where teams or athletes (usually) will not be eliminated. Winners gain points, while losers do not, and it is a mode where, every round, there are higher odds of the stronger side facing off against another strong side, and a weaker side against another weaker side.

3.5.19

Double-elimination

A competition system where teach team is eliminated after two losses, until the champions of the winning and losing groups face off for the grand championship.

3.5.20

Single-elimination

A competition system where the loser of each match is eliminated.

3.5.21

Best of N (BoN)

An e-sports competition system where the winner is decided in N rounds.

3.5.22

(Game) Power Leveling

The act of helping other players or having other players help to quickly increase character levels, points or obtaining more powerful equipment.

3.5.23

Attack Damage Carry (ADC)

One of the player's roles in a MOBA game. Uses basic attacks to deal sustained damage to avoid a window of time where no damage is dealt.

3.5.24

Burst/Nuke

A damage method where a massive amount of physical, magical or item damage is released in a short period of time.

3.5.25

Minion Wave/Lane

The combat location of minions in a MOBA game.

3.5.26

Gank/Roam

A suppression tactic in MOBA games where player numbers or skill advantages are used in premeditated ambushes, assaults etc. to attack opponents.

3.5.27

Carry

A character that plays the main force in the game.

3.5.28

Ganker/Roamer

A character that dictates the pace of the match by providing roaming support in the game.

3.5.29

Support

A character that is responsible for supporting the team in the game.

3.5.30

Ban & Pick

A step or act where both competitive sides fairly take turns to remove specific maps or game characters from the current match to meet strategic objectives.

3.5.31

Insta-kill/Instant Kill

A circumstance where a target is instantly defeated in the game.

3.5.32

Grind

Grinding usually refers to normal players in a game performing repeated labor such as missions, farming instances etc. to obtain game resources.

3.5.33

Away From Keyboard (AFK)

The status when a player's character remains online, but no actions are performed. Also used to describe when a player does not input commands, but has a game's built-in settings or functions provided by third-party add-ons automatically play the game for him/her.

3.5.34

Offline

The status when a player exits a game.

3.5.35

Kiting

A tactic that requires a certain input of skill to prevent the enemy from getting close or producing effective damage, and in turn defeating the enemy instead.

3.5.36

Teleport/Blink/Flash

Allows a character's absolute position to change, and usually appears in the form of a skill or item in MOBA games.

3.5.37

Nerf

The act of tweaking and weakening some characters, items, tactics etc. in a game by game developers or operators during a game version update.

3.5.38

Combo

A series of continuous action commands input in a game. This string of commands usually has strict time limits, and completing it yields many points or advantages. Commonly seen in fighting games.

3.5.39

Captains Mode (CM)

A game mode where team captains pick and ban their choice of characters in an e-sports tournament.

3.5.40

Observer/Spectator Mode

A mode where persons enter a game as observers or spectators without participating in it.

3.5.41

Fog of War

A mechanic in strategy battle games used to restrict player vision on a map.

3.5.42

Dragon Kill Points (DKP)

A point system of each player's contribution in a team fight.

Note: A widely-used basis on which boss loot is distributed in MMORPGs.

3.5.43

Kill/Death(K/D/Ratio)

Used to evaluate character kills/assists and deaths ratios in a single match in MOBA games.

3.5.44

Actions Per Minute (APM)

The sum of all player in-game actions per minute in games, including mouse clicks, keyboard strokes and other actions.

3.5.45

Gold Per Minute (GPM)

The average amount of gold earned per minute by a single character in a match in MOBA games.

3.5.50

Damage Per Second (DPS)

The average damage value dealt per second to a target by a player.

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None.