Does Spotify have a dark side?

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### What to expect?

- History
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# History



- Who is Daniel Ek?
- What did he do?
- What did he want to do?



# Revolutionise but how exactly?



- What is Napster?
- What if listening to music online was legal and profitable?



# How did Spotify begin?

- Founders' initial vision
- Partnerships with record labels
- Where is the BIG problem?



# The illegal rise

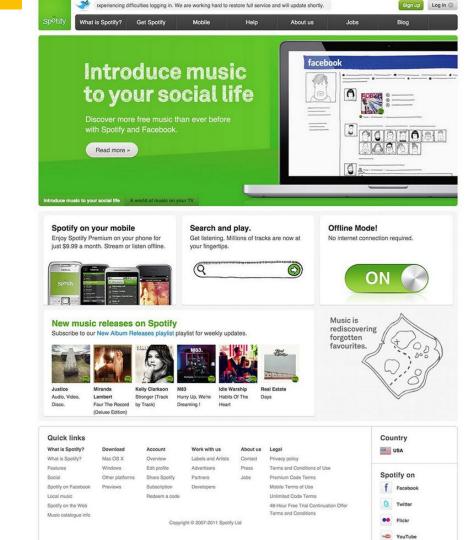


- The pickle
- The violation intellectual property
- The ironic Spotify



# The brilliant Spotify

- What an UI!
- Killer features
- The over engineering



# The path is set, now is the walking







- Negotiations with the big three: Sony, Warner and Universal.
- "Free", what?!



#### The settlement of the deal



- Why is the compromise?
- What do they want?!
- Who wins?
- Is this a safe business model?



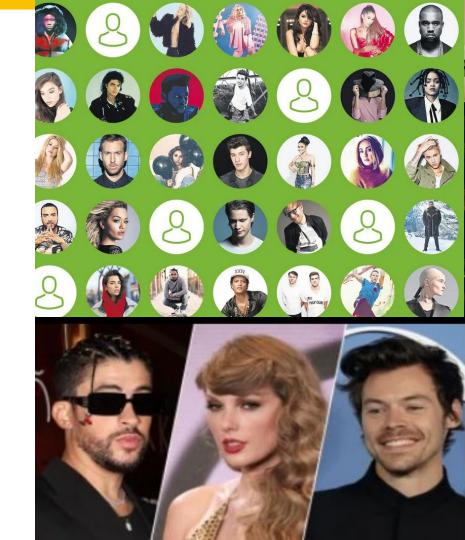
#### The official launch

- The Big Dirty
- Introduction of free-to-play streaming
- Integration with social media
- Marketing and promotional campaigns
- Traps?



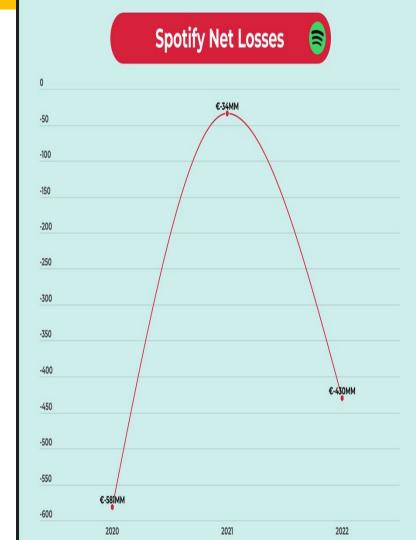
## Artists are enraged

- Spotify is devaluing their work?
- Pulled out completely out of the platform
- Why?
- WHO?!



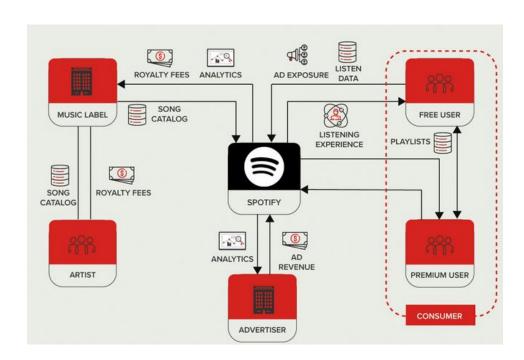
#### Spotify isn't profitable and will it ever be?

- "Is Spotify a viable business?"
- "What makes it unique from newer platforms?"
- The two solutions
  - o The big door



#### **Spotify THE threat in the music industry**

- "Discover Quickly"?
- Make it to the list?
- Cheaper??



#### Conclusion

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# **QUESTIONS?**

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