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ABSTRACT

Music is a crucial element of everyday life and plays a central role in all human cultures: it is omnipresent and is listened to and played by persons of all ages, races, and ethnic backgrounds.

This project delves into the intricate relationship between music and mental health, aiming to unravel the therapeutic potential of music in promoting emotional well-being.

we seek to understand how various musical elements, genres, and engagement modes contribute to alleviating stress, anxiety, and depression

Other studies have demonstrated the benefits of music, including improved heart rate, motor skills, brain stimulation, and immune system enhancement.

The findings of this research will provide valuable insights for the development of targeted music-based interventions and enhance our understanding of the synergies between music and mental well-being.

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INTRODUCTION

1.1 What is music?

Music is an art form that involves the organized arrangement of sounds in a harmonious and expressive manner. It encompasses elements like melody, harmony, rhythm, dynamics, and timbre to create an emotional or aesthetic experience for the listener. Music can be created using various instruments, vocals, or electronic means and spans a wide range of genres, styles, and cultural influences across the world. It serves multiple purposes, including entertainment, expression of emotions, storytelling, cultural preservation, and communication.

Music is a vital part of daily life and holds a central role in all human cultures. It is ever-present and enjoyed by individuals of various ages, races, and ethnicities. However, music is more than just a form of entertainment. Scientific studies have revealed its ability to impact physiological processes that contribute to both physical and mental well-being, thus serving critical adaptive functions. Research has indicated noticeable improvements in the mental health of patients with diagnosed mental disorders following interventions involving music.

Fig-1

1.2 What is Mental health?

Mental health refers to a state of well-being that enables individuals to effectively handle life's challenges, recognize their abilities, learn and work productively, and contribute to their communities. It encompasses emotional, psychological, and social well-being, influencing an individual's thoughts, emotions, and behaviors.

Fig-2

1.3 Need for research of music on mental health

Additional research has highlighted the positive effects of music, such as improved heart rate, motor skills, brain stimulation, and immune system enhancement. This study aims to explore potential correlations between certain mental disorders and music. Notably, participants provided self-assessments of the mental health issues considered in the survey.

In a world where the rhythm of life often encounters discord, the profound impact of music on mental health emerges as a subject of significant intrigue and exploration. "Exploring Harmony" aims to delve into the intricate relationship between music and

mental well-being, unraveling the therapeutic potential that resonates within the notes and melodies.

As we embark on this project, we navigate the landscape where the artistry of sound intersects with the complexities of the human mind. Music, a universal language, has long been celebrated for its ability to evoke emotions, create connections, and serve as a poignant expression of the human experience.

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This exploration seeks to uncover the multifaceted ways in which music intertwines with mental health – from its capacity to alleviate stress and anxiety to its role in fostering resilience and promoting emotional well-being. The project endeavors to bridge the realms of art and science, drawing insights from psychology, neuroscience, and the rich tapestry of musical genres.

As we embark on this harmonious journey, we invite you to join us in deciphering the melodies that resonate within the recesses of the mind and

discovering how music, in its various forms, can be a powerful ally in the pursuit of mental health and well-being.

CHAPTER 2
LITERATURE REVIEWS

1.The effects of playing music on mental health outcomes;

The impact of music playing on mental health; this article, published on August 30, 2019, investigated whether involvement in music predicts (1) the development of depression, anxiety, schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, or stress-related conditions based on comprehensive patient records or (2) self-reported symptoms of depression, burnout, and schizotypal tendencies in 10,776 Swedish twins. The study gathered information on the duration individuals played a musical instrument, including the dates of commencement and cessation, if applicable, and their proficiency level. Survival analyses were utilized to examine the influence of musical engagement on the occurrence of psychiatric disorders, while regression analyses were employed for the assessment of self-reported psychiatric symptoms.

The paper discusses various studies and inventories related to mental health, cognitive function, and survival analysis. It includes references to the Hopkins Symptom Checklist, the Maslach Burnout Inventory, and an introduction to survival analysis using Stata. The authors developed the study design, performed data analysis, and drafted the manuscript.

2.How Listening to Music Can Have Psychological Benefits

This article which is written by Kendra Cherry, MSEd tell us that Music's pervasive psychological impact spans emotional regulation, stress management, cognitive enhancement, therapeutic applications, and personality insights. Understanding these effects provides valuable avenues for utilizing music in mental health interventions, educational settings, and further exploration of the intricate connections between music and the human psyche.

Additionally, music serves as a potent stress-relief mechanism, proven to lower cortisol levels, alleviate anxiety, and induce relaxation.

CHAPTER 3
OBJECTIVE

The study's primary objectives are:

- To investigate the relationship between music and mental health by using Decision Tree Model.
- To identify if there is positive association between music and quality of life.
- To identify genre preferences by Data Visualization.
- To analyse which primary streaming service is used most by the users by using Bar Graph.
- To Develop a Random Forest model to assess the impact of musical engagement on mental health outcomes.
- To investigate a K-Nearest Neighbour (KNN) model to explore the relationship between musical effect and mental health outcomes

CHAPTER 4
METHODOLOGY

4.1 DATA DESCRIPTION:

- We collected the data from Kaggle website.
- The Data was managed by Catherine Rasgaitis.
- The data is of state Washington, United States.
- It has data of individuals from month august 2022 to November 2022.
- Our data set consist of 737 data points and 32 variables.
- Dataset has 7 quantitative variables and 25 categorial variable.

The data set contains following variables:

- Timestamp: date and time when the form was submitted
- Age: respondent's age.
- Primary streaming service: respondent's primary streaming service.
- Hours per day: number of hours the respondent listens to music per day.
- While working: does the respondent listen to music while studying/working?
- Instrumentalist: does the respondent play an instrument regularly?
- Composer: does the respondent compose music?
- Fav genre: respondent's favorite or top genre.
- Exploratory: does the respondent actively explore new artists/genres?
- Foreign languages: does the respondent regularly listen to music with lyrics in a language they are not fluent in?
- BPM: beats per minute of favorite genre.

- Frequency: how frequently the respondent listens to every one of the 16 music genres considered.
- Anxiety: self-reported anxiety, on a scale of 0-10
- Depression: Self-reported depression, on a scale of 0-10
- Insomnia: self-reported insomnia, on a scale of 0-10
- OCD: self-reported OCD, on a scale of 0-10
- Music effects: does music improve/worsen respondent's mental health conditions?
- Permissions: permissions to publicize data

The survey was designed for having standard questions and close answers, except for age obviously, possibly choosing in a range of values, ordered or not.

4.2 DATA PREPROCESSING

4.2.1: DATA CLEANING:

- We deleted 2 rows because they are the outliers of BPM variable. Value of BPM is less than 250.
- We deleted 8 rows because 8 null values are present in the variable music effect and they cannot be imputed because it is a dependent variable.
- We added an extra column in our dataset of age group.
- After this pre-processing our dataset consist of 727 data points and 33 variables.
- Dataset has 7 quantitative variables and 26 categorial variable.
- We Encoded music effect variables by –

  Improve- 1

  No effect-2

  Worsen - 3

4.2.2: DATA IMPUTATION:

We utilized Python for data imputation, with quantitative variables imputed using the variable's mean and qualitative variables imputed using the variable's mode. There were missing values in 6 variables. Out of which 2 were Numerical and remaining were Categorical.

4.3 DATA VISUALIZATION

EDA stands for Exploratory Data Analysis. It is an approach to analysing datasets to summarize their main characteristics, often using visual methods. In a project context, EDA plays a crucial role in understanding the structure, patterns, and relationships within the data before applying more complex statistical models or machine learning algorithms.

Here's an explanation of EDA in a project context:

1. Data Understanding:

EDA begins with understanding the dataset, its variables (columns), and their types.

It involves examining the data's size, the number of variables, their data types (numeric, categorical), and basic statistics (mean, median, standard deviation, etc.).

2. Data Cleaning:

Data cleansing involves identifying and addressing missing values, outliers, or inconsistencies in the dataset.

This step ensures that the data used for analysis is reliable and accurate.

3. Descriptive Statistics:

EDA uses various statistical techniques and summary measures to describe and summarize the main characteristics of the dataset.

This includes measures of central tendency, dispersion, correlation, and frequency distributions.

4. Visualization Techniques:

Visualizations like histograms, box plots, scatter plots, and heatmaps are used extensively in EDA.

These visual tools help in understanding the distribution of data, identifying patterns, relationships, and potential trends.

Here are the visualization charts that we have used in our Project:

i. Bar Charts and Histograms: Bar charts display categorical data with rectangular bars, while histograms show the distribution of continuous numerical data by grouping data into bins.

ii. Pie Charts: Pie charts show proportions or percentages of a whole by dividing a circle into sectors.

iii. Heatmaps: Heatmaps use color-coding to represent data in a matrix format, often used to visualize relationships and patterns in large datasets.

In summary, Exploratory Data Analysis is a critical phase in data analysis projects that helps in understanding the dataset, uncovering patterns, and generating initial insights, setting the stage for further in-depth analysis and modelling.

❖ Bar plot of favourite genre:

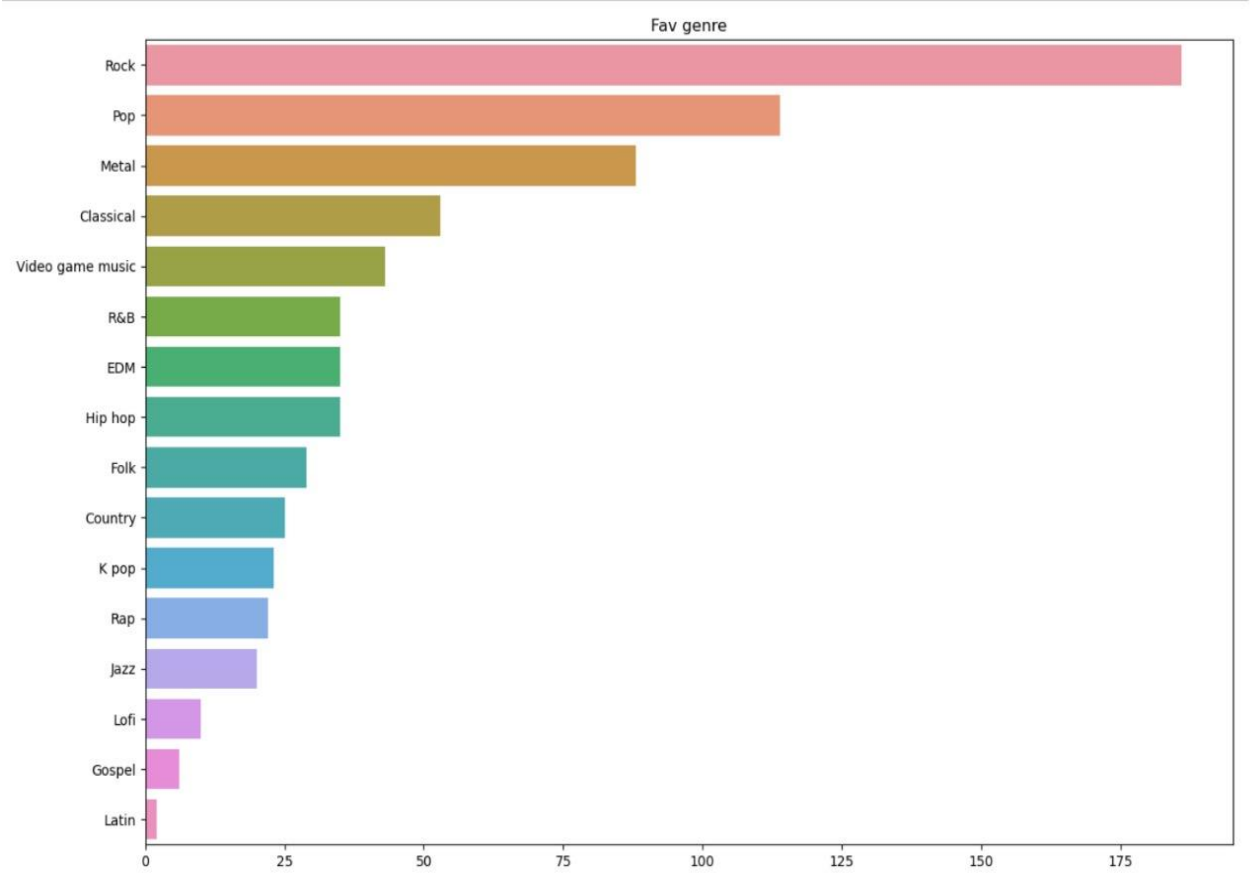
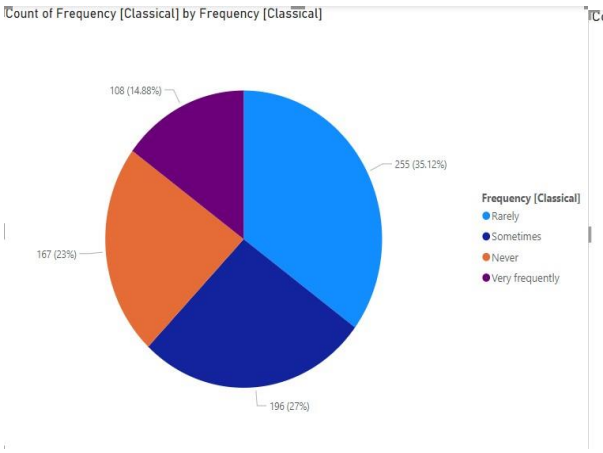


Fig 4.1

Interpretation: As we can see in the above bar plot Rock music is favorite genre followed by pop music and Latin music is least favorite genre.

❖ Pie chart of frequency:

Here are pie charts of some of the frequency of different music type



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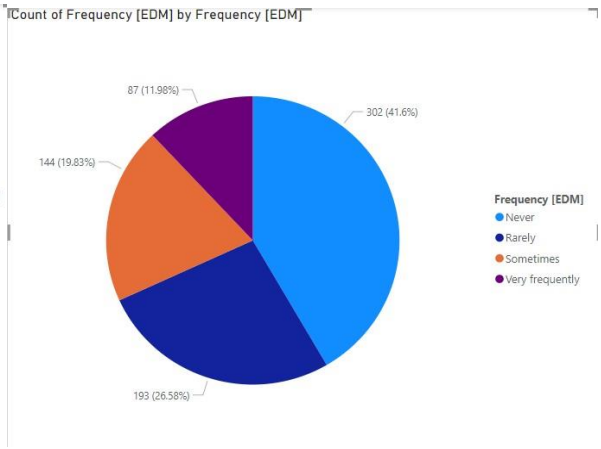

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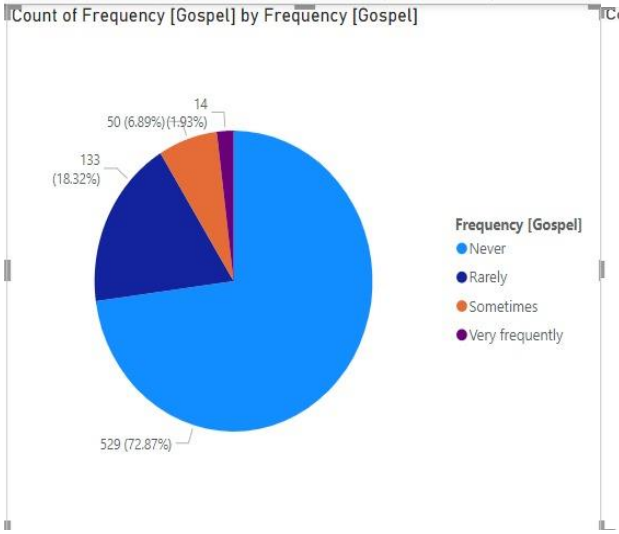

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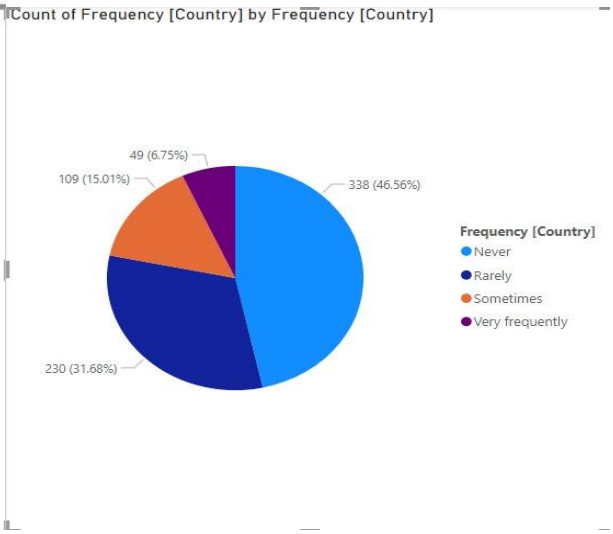

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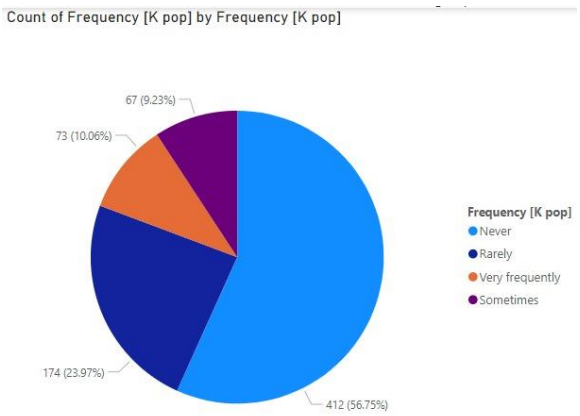

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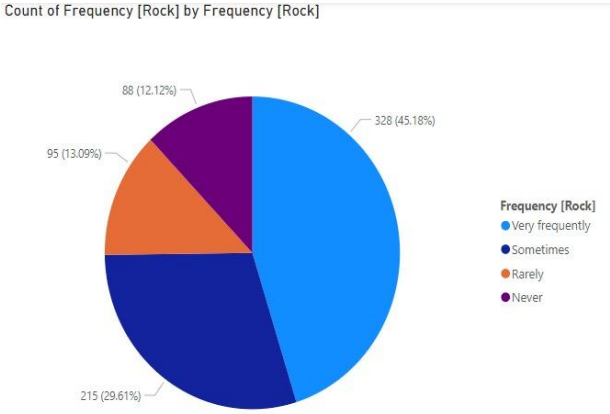


Fig 4.2.6

Interpretation:

Here are some of the results from the above pie chart

- Most of the people never listen to Gospel music
- K-pop is listened by vary few people
- Rock music is very frequently listened by people

❖ Heat map:

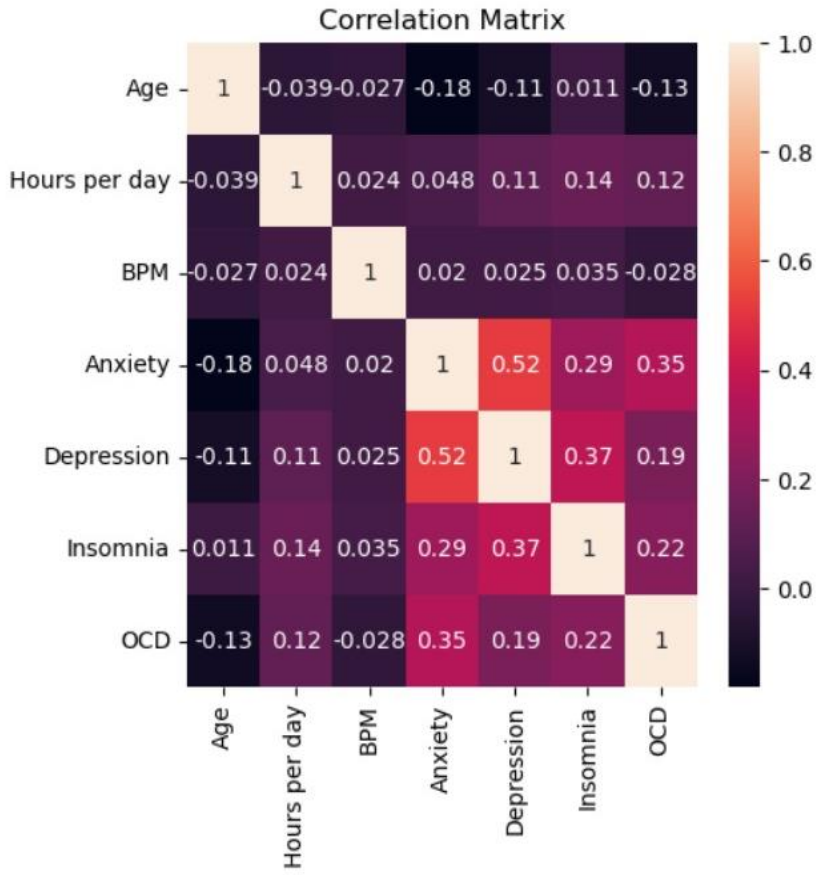
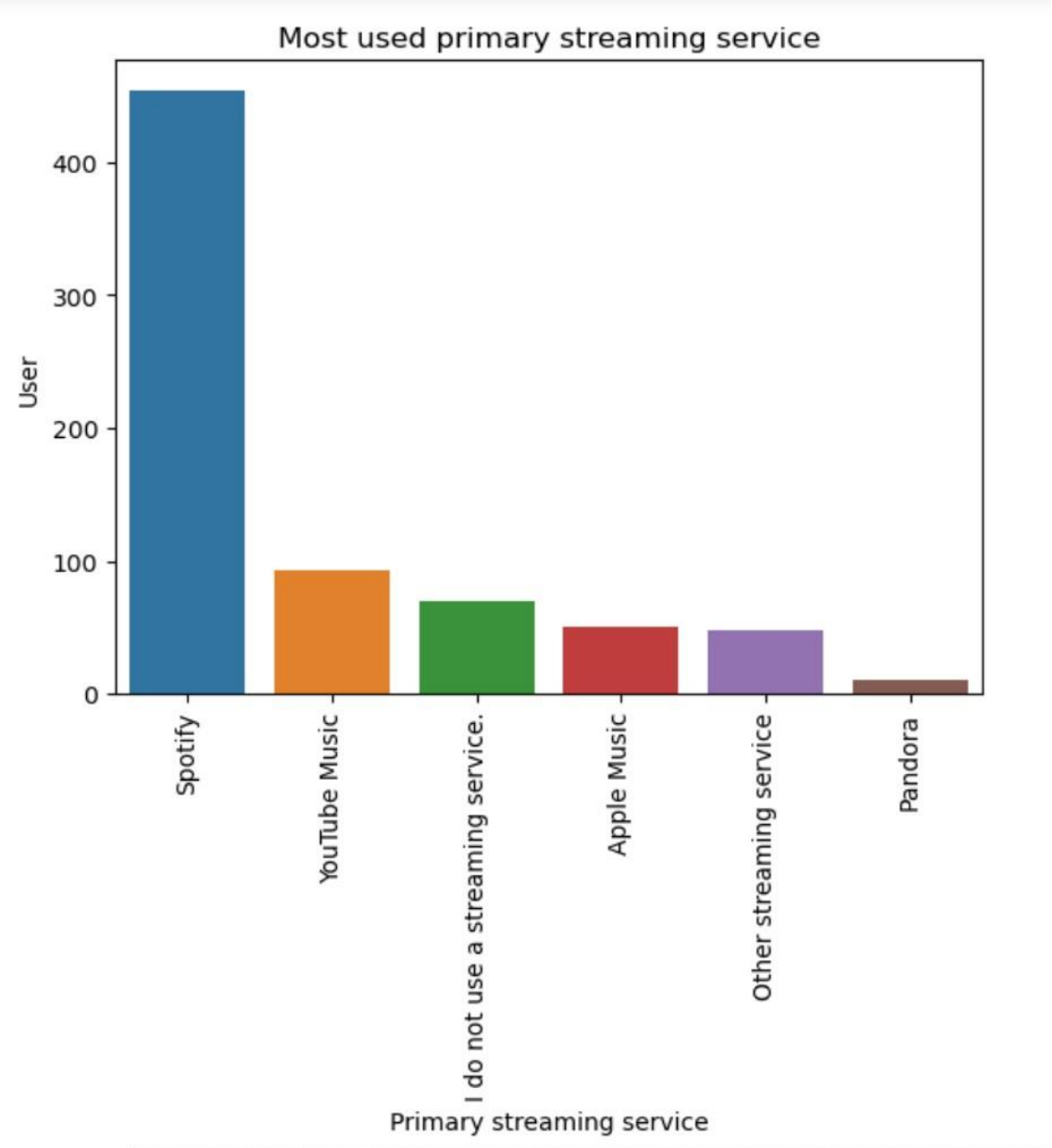


Fig 4.3

Interpretation:

- There is a weak correlation between age and other variables.
- There is a strong direct correlation between Anxiety and Depression. If anxiety increases there is a high change that depression will also increase.
- Moderate correlation between Depression and Insomnia
- Moderate correlation between Anxiety and OCD

❖ Bar plot of primary streaming service:



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Interpretation: Spotify is the most used primary streaming service and pandora is the least used primary streaming service.

❖ Distribution curve of Age:

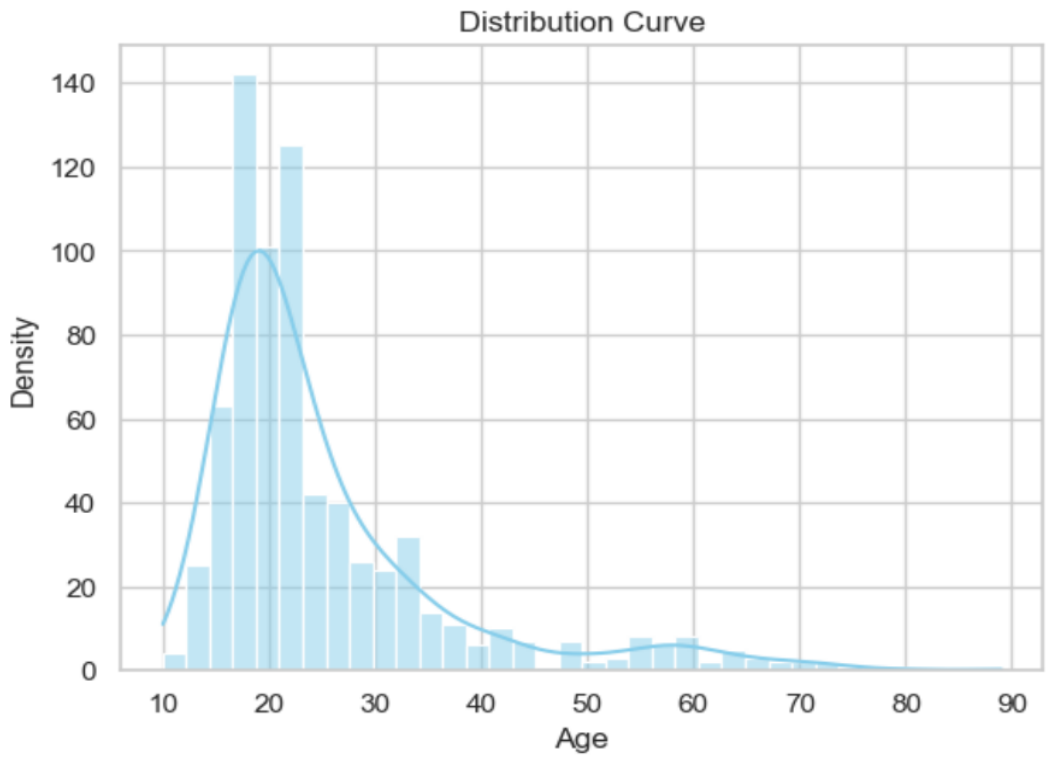

Fig 4.5

Interpretation: Distribution curve of age is positively skewed as the age increase the density of the curve decrease.

CHAPTER 5

ANALYSIS USING SOFTWARE

Excel:

Microsoft Excel was developed by a team of software developers at Microsoft, led by Doug Klunder. The initial version of Excel was released for the Apple Macintosh in 1985. It was later released for Microsoft Windows in 1987. Over the years, Excel has evolved into one of the most widely used spreadsheet software, offering functionalities for data analysis, calculation, graphing tools, pivot tables, and more, becoming a staple in offices, businesses, and personal computing worldwide.

Python:

Python was developed by Guido van Rossum, a Dutch programmer, in the late 1980s. It is a high-level, versatile programming language prized for its simplicity, readability, and broad applicability. Python's clean syntax makes it user-friendly and easy to learn, empowering users in various domains such as web development, data analysis, artificial intelligence, scientific computing, and automation. Its comprehensive standard library and vibrant community contribute to its popularity, fostering a vast ecosystem of libraries and frameworks. Python's adaptability, along with its focus on readability and ease of use, continues to make it a favoured choice for both beginners and seasoned developers worldwide.

Power BI:

Power BI is a business analytics tool created by Microsoft that enables users to visualize and share insights from their data. With an intuitive interface, Power BI allows users to connect to various data sources, transform raw data into meaningful information through data modelling, and create interactive reports and dashboards. Its functionalities include data cleaning, data shaping, custom visualizations, and natural language queries, enabling users to glean actionable insights. Power BI is widely used across industries for data-driven decision-making, providing a

comprehensive suite of tools for data analysis, visualization, and collaboration, ultimately facilitating informed and effective business decisions based on data-driven insights.

CHAPTER 6

STATISTICAL MODELLING

Modelling libraries used:

- Pandas

  Pandas, a popular Python library, specializes in data manipulation and analysis, offering a versatile Data Frame structure. This powerful tool simplifies data operations like cleaning, merging, and filtering, allowing seamless handling of diverse datasets. It supports various file formats, simplifying data import/export, and integrates smoothly. Pandas enables tasks such as reshaping data, dealing with missing values, and grouping information efficiently. Its flexibility and extensive functionalities make it indispensable for data exploration, preprocessing, statistical analysis, and preparation of data for machine learning, catering to the diverse needs of data scientists, analysts, and developers within the Python ecosystem.

- NumPy

  NumPy is a Python library crucial for numerical computations, focusing on array handling. Its and array object enables efficient array operations, offering a broad spectrum of mathematical functions. Renowned for speed and versatility, NumPy's multi-dimensional arrays and optimized operations are vital for scientific computing, data analysis, and machine learning in Python.

- Matplotlib

Matplotlib, a popular Python library, is essential for creating high-quality visualizations. It provides a wide range of plotting tools, enabling the generation of various charts, graphs, and plots for data visualization. With a MATLAB-like interface, Matplotlib supports customization of plots, axes, labels, and styles. This library offers versatility in creating publication-quality figures for scientific research, data exploration, and presentations. Matplotlib integrates seamlessly with NumPy and Pandas, enhancing its capabilities for visualizing diverse data types. Its adaptability, extensive documentation, and wide adoption make it a go-to tool for data analysts, researchers, and scientists seeking robust visualization capabilities in Python.

- Seaborn

Seaborn is a Python data visualization library built on top of Matplotlib. It simplifies the creation of informative and aesthetically pleasing statistical graphics. Seaborn provides high-level functions to create various plots like scatter plots, bar plots, heatmaps, and more, often with concise code. It offers enhanced default aesthetics and built-in themes, making visualization customization straightforward. Seaborn's ability to generate complex visualizations with minimal code, along with its integration with Pandas and Matplotlib, makes it a popular choice for statisticians, data analysts, and researchers exploring data visualization within the Python ecosystem.

- Accuracy score:

Accuracy score measures the performance of classification models in machine learning by quantifying the proportion of correctly predicted instances among total instances. It calculates the ratio of correctly predicted observations to the total observations in the dataset.

- Label Encoder:

  Label Encoder is a utility in scikit-learn (sklearn) for encoding categorical labels into numerical values. It assigns unique integers to categorical labels, aiding machine learning models. This preprocessing step simplifies handling categorical data by transforming labels into a format suitable for numerical computations in Python.

➢ Decision Tree

The Decision Tree Classifier in scikit-learn (sklearn) is a versatile Python library for building decision tree-based classification models. It partitions data based on feature attributes to create a tree structure for predictive analysis. Decision Tree Classifier serves as a foundational tool for implementing decision tree algorithms and ensemble methods, empowering users in diverse fields for effective classification tasks in Python.

Decision tree structure

- Root Node: Represents the entire dataset and serves as the starting point for the tree. It contains the feature that best splits the dataset based on a certain criterion (e.g., Gini impurity, entropy) to maximize information gain.

- Internal Nodes: Represent features and their decision rules. Each internal node corresponds to a feature and includes a decision rule (e.g., if a feature is greater than a certain value) that divides the dataset into subsets.

- Branches: Depict the possible outcomes of the decision rule. For instance, if the condition in an internal node is true for a data point, it follows one branch, otherwise, it follows another.

- Leaf Nodes: Nodes that do not split any further. They contain the final predicted class label in classification tasks or the predicted value in regression tasks.

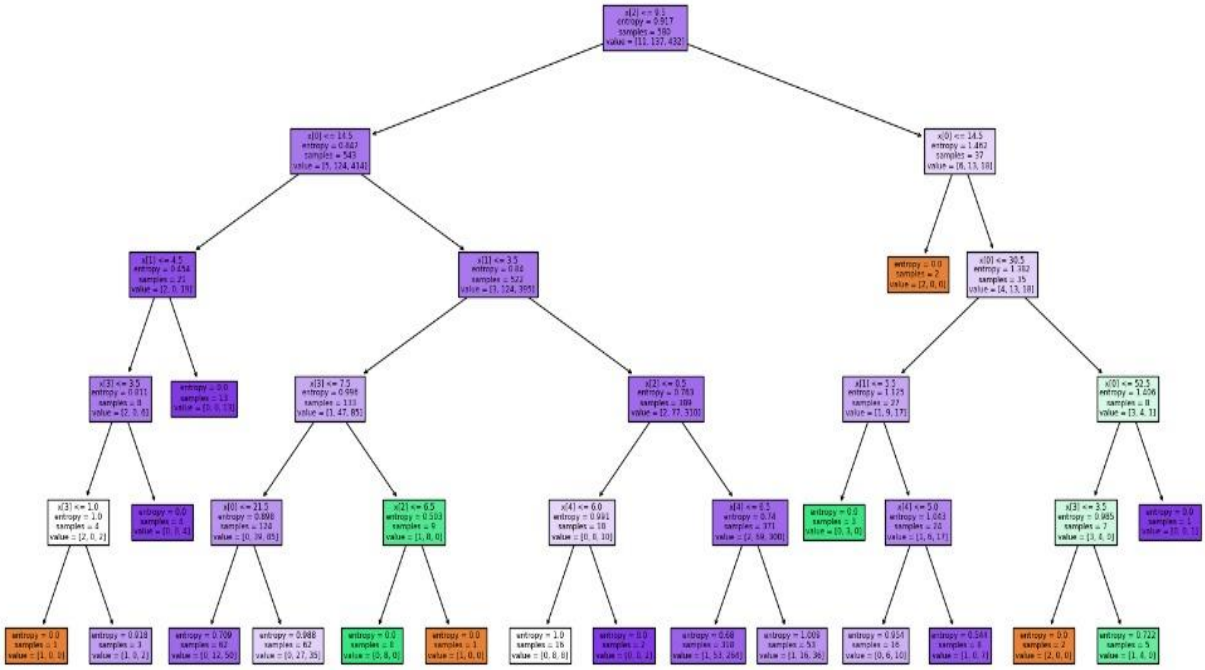

Fig 6.1

Interpretation:

Target variable: Music effects

Features: Anxiety, Depression, Insomnia, OCD

X [2] <=9.5

means individual having their Depression value less than or equal to 9.5 will follow the True arrow (to the left) and the rest will follow the False arrow (to the right).

Entropy:

In the context of Decision Trees, entropy is a measure of disorder or impurity in a node in the CART (Classification and Regression Tree) algorithm.

Samples = 580

Means sample of 580 is considered for decision tree model in the first step.

Values= [11,137,432]

means out of 580 individual 11 individual think music has negative impact ,137 think music has no effect on mental health and 432 think music has positive impact on them.

Model accuracy score with criterion entropy: 0.7339.

➢ K-Nearest Neighbour KNN

The K-Nearest Neighbour (KNN) algorithm, available in libraries like scikit-learn, is a non-parametric, instance-based learning method used for classification and regression tasks. It determines the classification of a data point by considering the majority class among its nearest neighbour in the feature space. Users can adjust the number of neighbour (K), distance metrics, and weighting schemes to fit the data.

How KNN Works:
Training Phase: The algorithm simply stores the entire training dataset.

Prediction Phase (for a new data point): Calculate the distance (commonly Euclidean distance) between the new data point and all other data points in the training set.
Identify the 'K' nearest data points (nearest neighbours) based on the calculated distances.

Classification Task: For classification, the algorithm takes a majority vote among the 'K' nearest neighbours and assigns the most common class label as the prediction for the new data point.

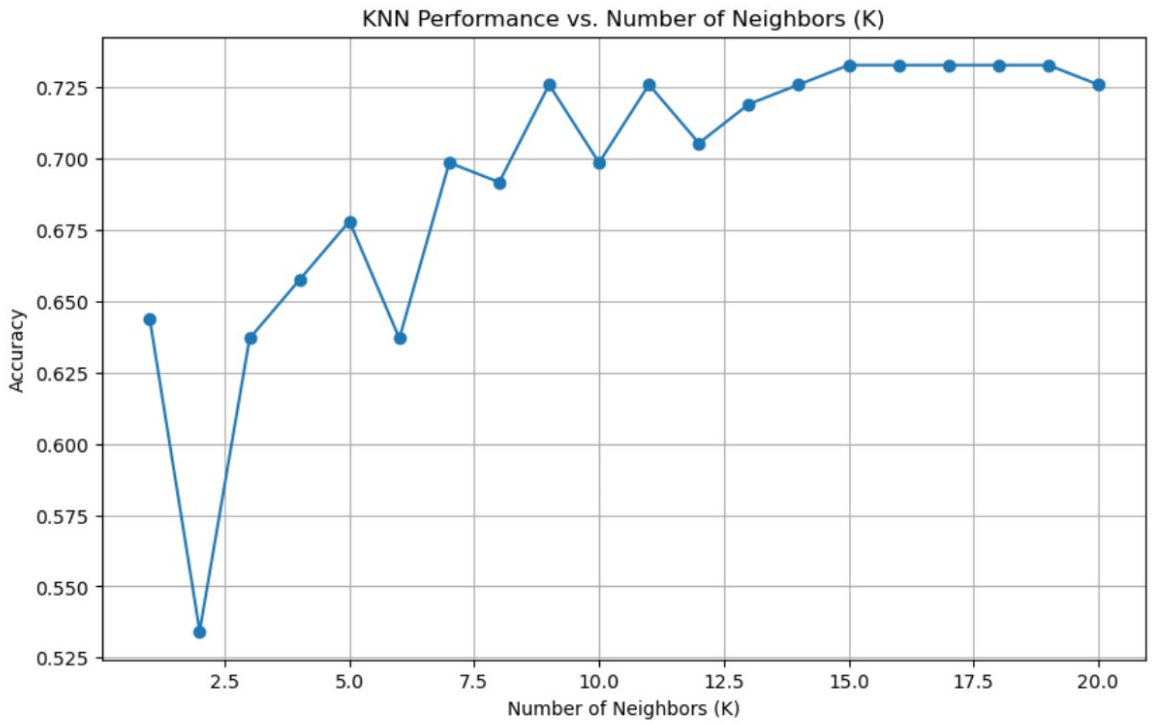

Fig 6.2

Interpretation:

The graph shows that the KNN algorithm is a good choice for the given dataset, as it is able to achieve an accuracy of 70% with a relatively small number of neighbours (10). This suggests that the KNN algorithm is able to learn the underlying relationships in the data without overfitting.

The graph also suggests that increasing the number of neighbours beyond 10 is unlikely to improve the accuracy of the KNN algorithm on this dataset. In fact, it is possible that increasing the number of neighbours beyond 10 could lead to overfitting and a decrease in accuracy.

Overall, the graph shows that the KNN algorithm is a good choice for the given dataset, and that the optimal number of neighbours is 10.

Accuracy by K-Nearest Neighbour algorithm is 69.81%.

➢ Random Forest

The Random Forest Classifier, a part of the scikit-learn (sklearn) library in Python, is an ensemble learning method based on decision tree classifiers. It constructs multiple decision trees during training and aggregates their predictions for improved accuracy and robustness.

This classifier randomly selects subsets of features and data points for each tree, enhancing diversity among individual trees. It mitigates overfitting and generalizes well to new data. Users can adjust hyperparameters like the number of trees, maximum depth, and splitting criteria to optimize performance.

The classification report evaluates the model's ability for correct prediction. In the classification report, there are Accuracy, Recall, Precision and f1 score

1. Accuracy:

   $= \frac{(TP + TN)}{(TP+TN+FP+FN)}$

   Or, it can be said that it's defined as the total number of correct classifications divided by the total number of classifications. It is not the correct for imbalance data because it's always show you high accuracy because its bias to the high count data in binary classification because it's not calculate the error / it's won't count the error.

2. Precision:

   It is a measurement of how many positive results overall were accurately anticipated by the model. It demonstrates the model's applicability solely in terms of favourable outcomes. Mathematically,

   $=\frac{TP}{(TP+FP)}$

3. Recall:

   It is a measure of: from the total number of positive results how many positives were correctly predicted by the model. It shows how relevant the model is, in terms of positive results only. Mathematically it is given by

   $$=\frac{TP}{(TP+FN)}$$

4. F1 Score:

   F1 score is a machine learning evaluation metric that measures a model's accuracy. It combines the precision and recall scores of a model.

   $$=\frac{TP}{TP+\frac{1}{2}(FP+FN)}$$

Table 1

	precision	recall	f1 - score	support
1	0.74	0.94	0.83	107
2	0.40	0.11	0.17	36
3	0.00	0.00	0.00	3
accuracy			0.72	146
macro avg	0.38	0.35	0.34	146
weighted	0.64	0.72	0.65	146

Interpretation:

Accuracy: 71.92% indicates the overall correctness of predictions made by the model across all classes.

For Class 1:

Precision: 74% represents the proportion of correctly predicted samples among those predicted as Class 1.

Recall: 94% signifies the proportion of correctly predicted Class 1 samples out of the total actual Class 1 samples.

F1-score: The harmonic mean of recall and precision for class 1 is 83%.

Support: 107 samples belong to Class 1.

For Class 2:

Precision: 40% indicates the proportion of correctly predicted samples among those predicted as Class 2.

Recall: 11% signifies the proportion of correctly predicted Class 2 samples out of the total actual Class 2 samples.

F1-score: 17% denotes the harmonic mean of precision and recall for Class 2.

Support: 36 samples belong to Class 2.

For Class 3:

Precision: 0% indicates that there were no correctly predicted samples for Class 3 (or the model didn't predict any samples as Class 3).

Recall: 0% indicates that none of the actual Class 3 samples were predicted correctly by the model.

F1-score: 0% signifies the harmonic mean of precision and recall for Class 3.

Support: Only 3 samples belong to Class 3.

Macro Average: The unweighted mean of precision, recall, and F1-score across all classes, disregarding class imbalance, is 38%, 35%, and 34%, respectively.

Weighted Average: The weighted mean of precision, recall, and F1-score, considering class imbalance, is 64%, 72%, and 65%, respectively, weighted by the number of samples in each class.

These metrics provide insights into the model's performance for each class and over all across the dataset. They help assess how well the model performs in terms of precision, recall, and F1-score for individual classes and the dataset as a whole.

CHAPTER 7

CONCLUSION AND DISCUSSION

1. Model accuracy score with criterion entropy by decision tree is 73.39%.
2. Accuracy by K-Nearest Neighbour is 67.81%.
3. Accuracy by Random Forest is 71.91%

   So, we can say that Decision Tree gives the most Accurate result for our data set.
4. By bar plot, Spotify is the most used primary streaming service and pandora is the least used primary streaming service.
5. By Correlation matrix, there is a strong direct correlation between Anxiety and Depression. If anxiety increases there is a high change that depression will also increase.
6. By bar plot and pie chart, Rock music is favorite genre followed by pop music and Latin music is least favorite genre.

Discussion:

Music profoundly impacts mental health, influencing emotions, stress levels, and cognitive abilities. Its therapeutic potential aids emotional regulation, reducing stress, anxiety, and depression. Listening to music fosters relaxation, enhancing mood and fostering social connections. Engaging in music-making activities improves cognitive functions and social bonds. However, music's effect varies based on individual preferences and experiences, and certain genres might evoke negative emotions. Overall, music serves as a potent tool for mental health, offering therapeutic benefits and supporting emotional well-being through its diverse emotional and cognitive influences.

CHAPTER 8

LIMITATIONS AND FUTURE SCOPE

Limitations:

1.Research exploring the impact of music on mental health presents several limitations. Firstly, individual variability significantly influences responses to music due to diverse personal preferences, cultural backgrounds, and psychological dispositions, complicating universal generalizations.

2. Moreover, many studies rely on subjective self-reporting or face challenges in replicability and standardization due to the complex nature of controlled experiments in this field.

3.The multifaceted elements of music, including tempo, genre, lyrics, and individual interpretations, pose difficulties in isolating specific influences on mental health outcomes.

4.Contextual factors, such as social settings and personal associations, further complicate research by altering music's impact but are challenging to control in studies.

Future Scope:

1.The future scope for understanding the effects of music on mental health holds considerable promise. Advancements in technology and neuroscience may lead to personalized music-based interventions tailored to an individual's psychological profile.

2. Exploring the neurobiological mechanisms underlying music's effects could reveal pathways related to emotional regulation, memory enhancement, and stress reduction, offering new therapeutic insights.

3.Research focusing on diverse populations and various mental health conditions can provide a more comprehensive understanding of music's potential as a therapeutic tool. Integrating music interventions into conventional mental health care settings holds promise for enhancing treatment outcomes. Longitudinal studies tracking individuals' engagement with music and mental health over time could elucidate sustained effects.

4.Collaboration between disciplines like psychology, neuroscience, musicology, and technology may lead to innovative approaches harnessing music's potential for mental well-being, fostering a holistic understanding.

CHAPTER 9

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