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# Project Report: Musicify

## Phase :1 Project Ideation Phase

### 1 Introduction

#### 1.1 Project Overview

Musicify is a comprehensive music streaming platform built using the MERN (MongoDB, Express.js, React, Node.js) stack. The platform creates a seamless experience for music enthusiasts to discover, explore, and listen to music from various genres and artists.

The application features a multi-role system with distinct user types:

- **Regular Users (Listeners):** Can browse the music catalog, create accounts, create playlists, follow artists, and listen to music with both free and premium tiers
- **Artist Users:** Have access to a specialized dashboard for uploading and managing their music, tracking listener statistics, and interacting with fans
- **Admin Users:** Maintain the platform, manage users, and monitor content

The project integrates Firebase for authentication and MongoDB Atlas for database management, creating a robust and scalable infrastructure. The responsive design ensures a consistent experience across desktop and mobile devices, allowing users to enjoy music anytime and anywhere. The application includes features like continuous playback, personalized playlists, and algorithmic recommendations.

#### 1.2 Purpose

The primary purpose of Musicify is to create an accessible and user-friendly platform connecting music lovers with their favorite tracks while providing artists with efficient management tools and listener insights.

The key objectives of the Musicify project are:

- **Enhanced Music Discovery** – Provide algorithmic recommendations, curated playlists, and radio functionality to help users discover music matching their interests
- **Seamless Listening Experience** – Enable efficient browsing, searching, playlist creation, and a streamlined playback process with queue management
- **User Account Management** – Allow listeners to create profiles with both free and premium tiers, track listening history, save favorite songs, and manage personal information securely
- **Artist Management System** – Equip artists with tools to easily upload, update, and organize their music catalog, as well as monitor listener statistics
- **Security & Authentication** – Implement Firebase authentication alongside secure data handling practices to protect user information and prevent unauthorized access
- **Responsive & Intuitive UI** – Create a visually appealing, easy-to-navigate interface with dark mode that works seamlessly across all devices
- **Database Optimization** – Utilize MongoDB Atlas for efficient data storage and retrieval, ensuring fast performance even with large music catalogs and user bases
- **Streaming Architecture** – Develop robust backend systems to handle audio streaming, playlists, and user activity tracking
- **Scalable Architecture** – Build a well-structured application using the MERN stack that can easily accommodate growing catalogs, increasing user traffic, and additional features

## 2 Ideation :

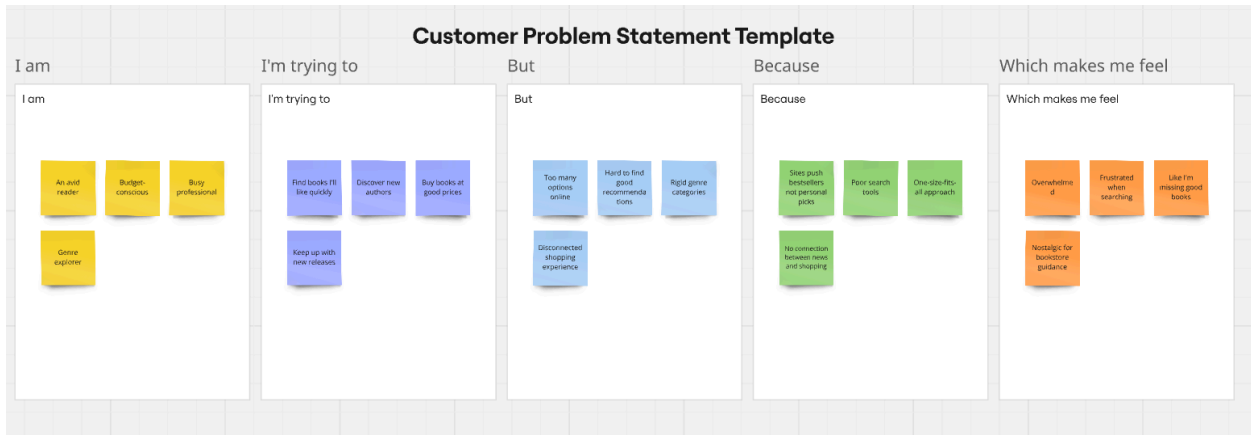
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| Project Title: | Musicify        |
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### 2.1 Customer Problem Statement Template:

Create a problem statement to understand our customers' point of view. The Customer Problem Statement template helps you focus on what matters to create experiences people will love.

A well-articulated customer problem statement allows you and your team to find the ideal solution for the challenges your customers face. Throughout the process, you'll also be able to empathize with your customers, which helps you better understand how they perceive your product or service.

Example:



| Problem Statement (PS) | I am (Customer)           | I'm trying to                  | But   | Because   | Which makes me feel           |
|------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|---|---|-------------------------------|
| PS-1                   | A music enthusiast        | Discover new artists and songs | Most platforms have limited discovery options | Algorithms tend to repeat similar recommendations | Stuck in a music bubble       |
| PS-2                   | Budget-conscious listener | Listen to high-quality music   | Many platforms require premium subscriptions  | Free tiers have intrusive ads and limitations     | Frustrated with interruptions |

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| PS-3  | Independent artist | Share my music with potential fans    | Getting visibility is extremely difficult | Major labels dominate promotional slots         | Overlooked and undervalued |
| PS- 4 | On-the-go listener | Seamlessly transition between devices | My listening state doesn't sync well      | Platform limitations in cross-device experience | Disconnected and annoyed   |

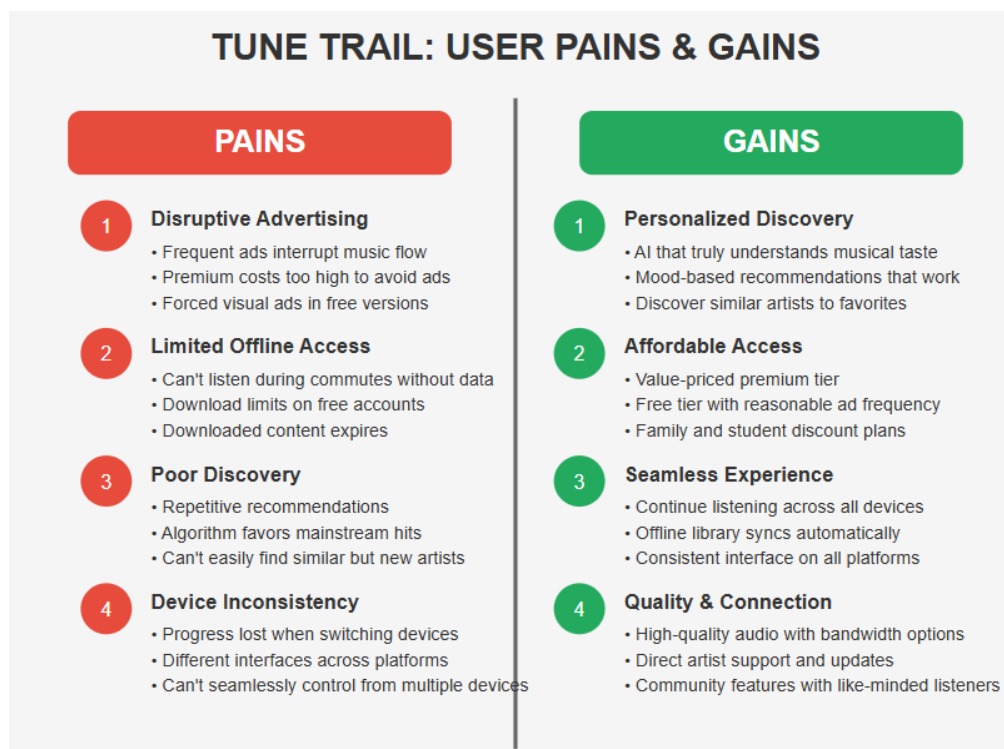
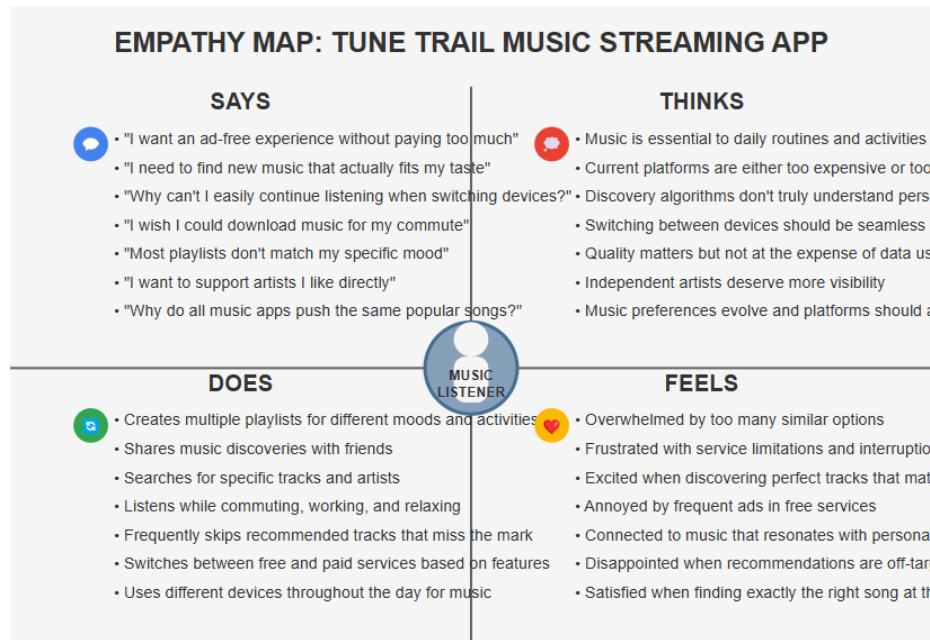
## 2.2 Empathy Map Canvas:

An empathy map is a simple, easy-to-digest visual that captures knowledge about a user's behaviours and attitudes.

It is a useful tool to help teams better understand their users.

Creating an effective solution requires understanding the true problem and the person who is experiencing it. The exercise of creating the map helps participants consider things from the user's perspective along with his or her goals and challenges.

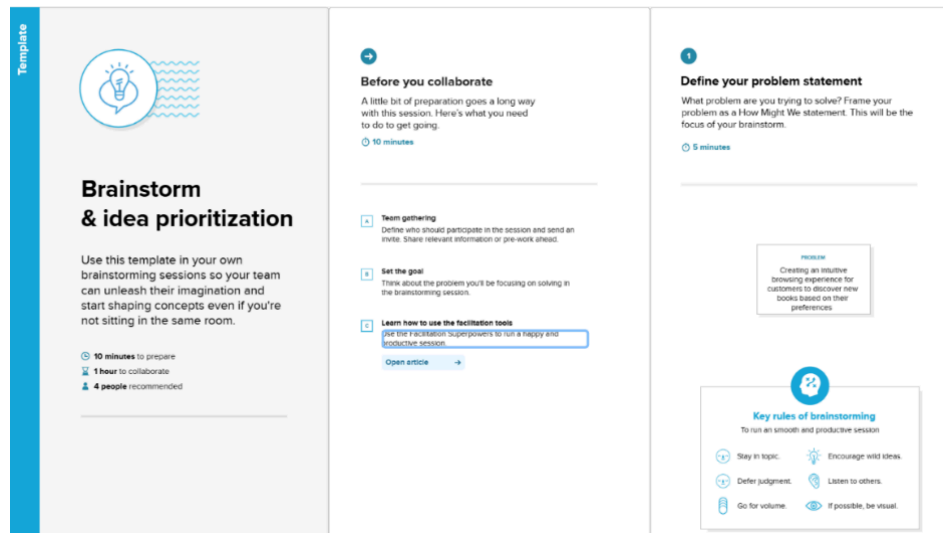
**Example: Our Project on Full stack Music Streaming Platform- Musicify**



## 2.3 Brainstorm & Idea Prioritization :

## Step-1: Team Gathering, Collaboration and Select the Problem Statement

- Team identified the core problem: "Music streaming platforms fail to balance affordability, discovery, and seamless experience"
- Focus on creating a service that addresses these three key pain points simultaneously



## Step-2: Brainstorm, Idea Listing and Grouping

- **Affordability Ideas:** Tiered pricing, ad-supported free tier with reasonable limits, student/family plans
- **Discovery Ideas:** Advanced algorithm using listening habits, mood detection, playlist radio, genre exploration
- **Experience Ideas:** Cross-device syncing, offline mode, background play, queue management, high-quality audio options
- **Differentiation Ideas:** Lyric integration, song information, artist insights, visualization features



## Step-3: Idea Prioritization

- **High Impact/Low Effort:** Cross-device listening state sync, basic recommendation engine, playlist management
- **High Impact/High Effort:** Advanced discovery algorithm, offline mode, premium tier infrastructure
- **Low Impact/Low Effort:** Basic user profiles, dark/light themes, sharing capabilities
- **Low Impact/High Effort:** Visualization features, social network integration, lyrics synchronization

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## Group ideas

Take turns sharing your ideas while clustering similar or related notes as you go. Once all sticky notes have been grouped, give each cluster a sentence-like label. If a cluster is bigger than six sticky notes, try and see if you can break it up into smaller sub-groups.

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### TIP

Add customizable tags to sticky notes to make it easier to find, browse, organize, and categorize important ideas as themes within your mural.

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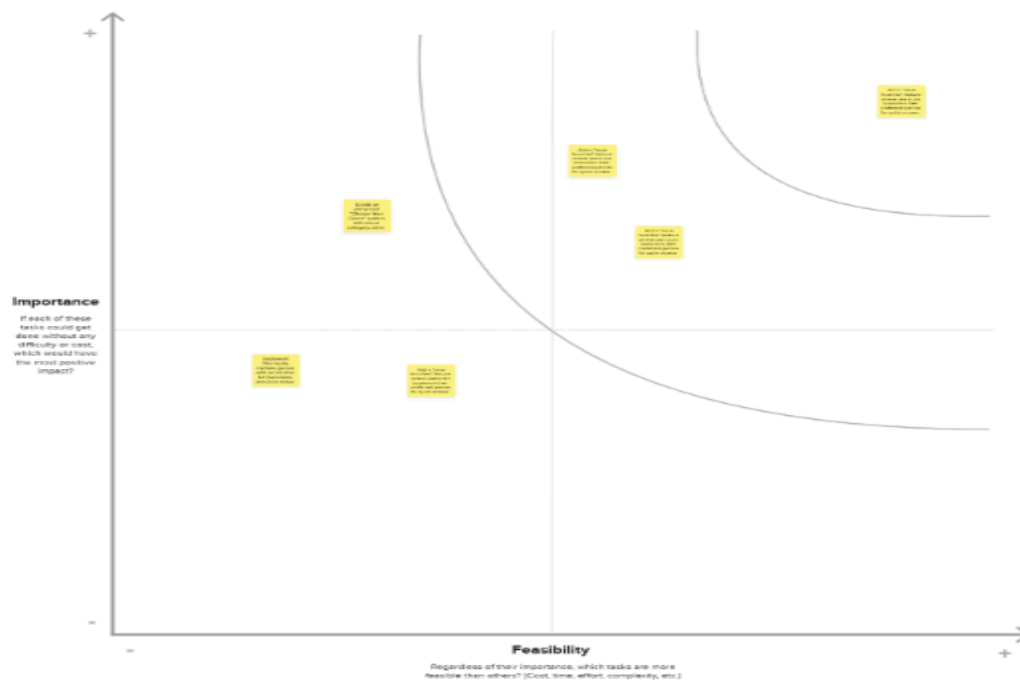
## Prioritize

Your team should all be on the same page about what's important moving forward. Place your ideas on this grid to determine which ideas are important and which are feasible.

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### TIP

Participants can use their cursors to point at where sticky notes should go on the grid. The facilitator can confirm the spot by asking the user pointer to hold the **H** key on the keyboard.

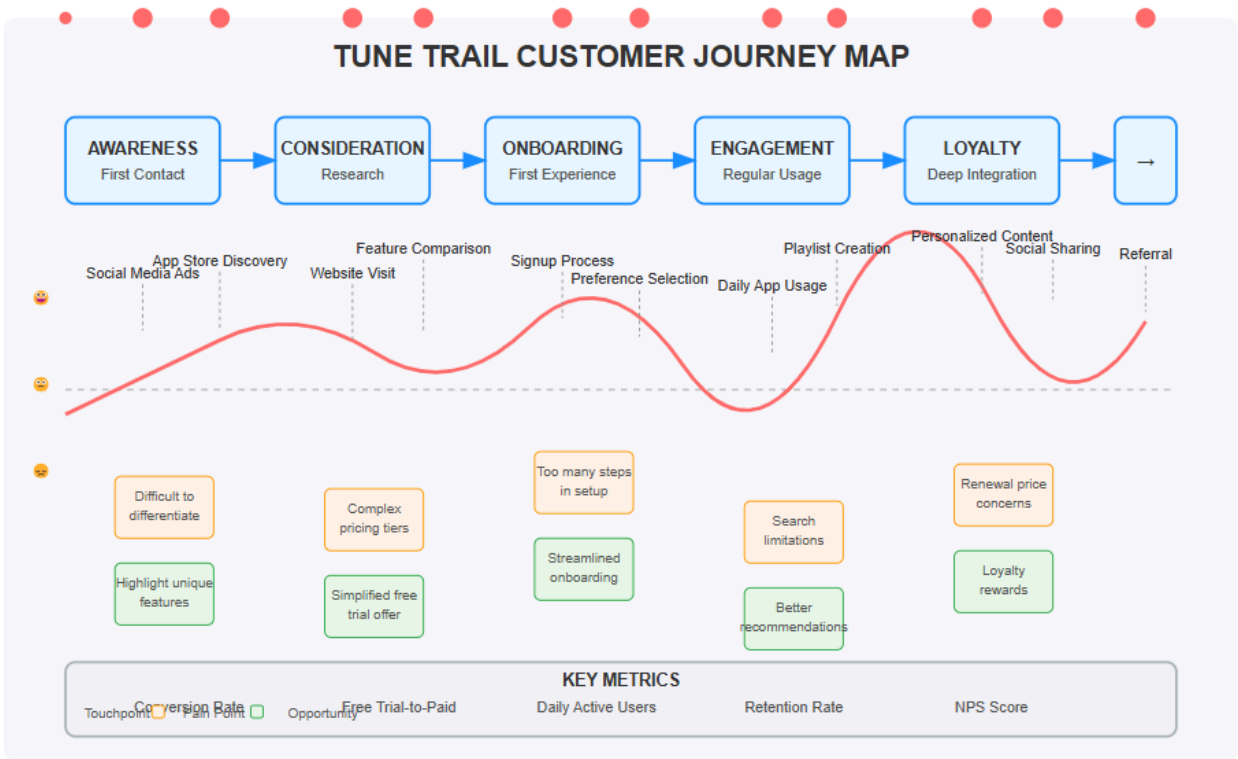




# 3 REQUIREMENT ANALYSIS

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## 3.1 Customer Journey Map:



## 3.2 Solution Requirements (Functional & Non-functional)

### Functional Requirements:

The following are the functional requirements of the proposed solution.

| FR No. | Functional Requirement (Epic)      | Sub Requirement (Story / Sub-Task)   |
|--------|------------------------------------|--|
| FR-1   | User Registration & Authentication | Registration through Form, Social Login Integration, Role selection (Listener, Artist, Admin), Free/Premium tier selection |
| FR-2   | Music Playback & Control           | Play/Pause/Skip Controls, Volume Control, Queue Management, Continuous Playback, Background Playing                        |
| FR-3   | Role-Based Dashboard Access        | Admin: Content Moderation & Statistics, Artist: Upload & Analytics, Listener: Personalized Home & Library                  |
| FR-4   | Music Discovery                    | Search functionality, Browse categories, New releases section, Algorithmic recommendations                                 |
| FR-5   | Playlist & Library Management      | Create/Edit/Delete Playlists, Add/Remove Tracks, Like Songs, Follow Artists  |
| FR-6   | Personalized Experience            | Weekly Discovery Playlist, Recently Played, Favorite Artists Updates, For You Section                                      |

### Non-functional Requirements:

The following are the non-functional requirements of the proposed solution.

| FR No. | Non-Functional Requirement | Description   |
|--------|----------------------------|---|
| NFR-1  | Usability                  | Intuitive UI with dark theme, mobile responsiveness, and accessibility features |
| NFR-2  | Security                   | Firebase Auth, token-based API security, secure payment processing              |
| NFR-3  | Reliability                | 99.9% uptime guarantee with failover systems and data backups                   |

|       |                     |  |
|-------|---------------------|--|
| NFR-4 | <b>Performance</b>  | Fast stream initialization (<2s), minimal buffering, efficient API responses |
| NFR-5 | <b>Availability</b> | Cloud-hosted infrastructure with load balancing and g distribution           |
| NFR-6 | <b>Scalability</b>  | Microservice architecture capable of handling millions of concurrent streams |

### 3.3 Data Flow Diagrams:

A Data Flow Diagram (DFD) is a traditional visual representation of the information flows within a system. A neat and clear DFD can depict the right amount of the system requirement graphically. It shows how data enters and leaves the system, what changes the information, and where data is stored.

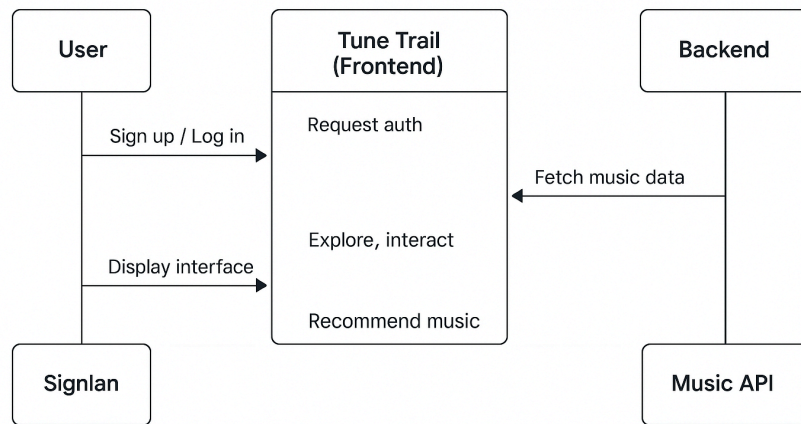
Example: [\(Simplified\)](#)

Flow Sequence:



Example: DFD Level 0 (Industry Standard)

## Flow Sequence



## User Stories:

| User Type | Functional Requirement (Epic) | User Story Number | User Story / Task  | Acceptance Criteria                                      | Priority | Release  |
|-----------|-------------------------------|-------------------|--|--|----------|----------|
| Listener  | Registration                  | USN-1             | As a listener, I can create an account and select my music preferences | I can successfully register and see personalized content | High     | Sprint-1 |
| Listener  | Music Playback                | USN-2             | As a listener, I can play music with standard controls                 | I can play/pause/skip tracks and adjust volume           | High     | Sprint-1 |

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|----------|---------------------|--------|--|---|--------|----------|
| Listener | Playlist Management | USN-3  | As a listener, I can create and manage playlists                   | I can create, edit, and delete playlists                          | High   | Sprint-1 |
| Listener | Discovery           | USN-4  | As a listener, I can browse music by genres, moods, and activities | I can navigate categories and find relevant music                 | Medium | Sprint-2 |
| Listener | Premium Features    | USN-5  | As a premium listener, I can download music for offline listening  | I can access downloaded music without internet connection         | Medium | Sprint-2 |
| Listener | Cross-device        | USN-6  | As a listener, I can continue playback across multiple devices     | My playback state syncs when I switch devices                     | High   | Sprint-2 |
| Artist   | Registration        | USN-7  | As an artist, I can create an artist account                       | I can access artist-specific features after verification          | High   | Sprint-1 |
| Artist   | Music Upload        | USN-8  | As an artist, I can upload and manage my music                     | I can add, edit, and remove my tracks from the platform           | High   | Sprint-1 |
| Artist   | Analytics           | USN-9  | As an artist, I can view listener statistics for my music          | I can see play counts, geographic data, and listener demographics | Medium | Sprint-2 |
| Admin    | User Management     | USN-10 | As an admin, I can manage user accounts                            | I can view, edit, and deactivate user accounts when necessary     | High   | Sprint-1 |

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| Admin | Content Moderation  | USN-11 | As an admin, I can review and moderate uploaded content | I can approve, reject, or flag content for review                     | Medium | Sprint-2 |
| Admin | Platform Monitoring | USN-12 | As an admin, I can view system performance metrics      | I can access dashboards showing usage statistics and performance data | Low    | Sprint-3 |

### 3.4 Technical Architecture:

**Table-1 : Components & Technologies:**

| S.No | Component                     | Description  | Technology                                       |
|------|-------------------------------|--|--|
| 1.   | User Interface                | Web-based responsive interface with dark theme                     | React.js, Tailwind CSS                           |
| 2.   | Authentication Service        | Handles user registration, login, and session management           | Firebase Authentication, JWT                     |
| 3.   | Streaming Service             | Manages audio delivery and playback                                | Node.js, Express.js, Web Audio API               |
| 4.   | Discovery Service             | Handles recommendations and browsing functionality                 | Node.js, Express.js, Machine Learning algorithms |
| 5.   | User Management Service       | Manages user profiles, preferences, and subscription status        | Node.js, Express.js                              |
| 6.   | Database                      | Stores user profiles, music metadata, playlists, listening history | MongoDB (NoSQL)                                  |
| 7.   | File Storage                  | Stores music files and related media                               | AWS S3 / Firebase Storage                        |
| 8.   | Cloud Database                | Cloud-hosted database instance                                     | MongoDB Atlas                                    |
| 9.   | Payment Processing            | Handles premium subscription transactions                          | Stripe / PayPal integration                      |
| 10.  | Infrastructure (Server/Cloud) | Cloud-hosted platform with load balancing                          | AWS / Google Cloud / Azure                       |

**Table 2: Application Characteristics:**

| S.No | Characteristics          | Description  | Technology  |
|------|--------------------------|--|---|
| 1.   | Open-Source Frameworks   | Modern web technologies for scalable application development | MERN Stack, Web Audio API                               |
| 2.   | Security Implementations | Multi-layer security approach                                | HTTPS, OAuth 2.0, JWT, Content Encryption               |
| 3.   | Scalable Architecture    | Microservice design for independent scaling of components    | Docker, Kubernetes, Load Balancing                      |
| 4.   | Availability             | Redundant systems with automatic failover                    | Multi-region deployment, Health monitoring              |
| 5.   | Performance              | Efficient streaming and caching strategies                   | CDN integration, Progressive loading, Audio compression |