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Chapter 1

Introduction

Project Title: Exploring Themes and Emotions Expressed in Music Lyrics Across Different Genres & Time Periods

1.1 Project Description

Music lyrics provide a valuable source of information for understanding the cultural and social aspects of music production and consumption. In this project, we aim to explore the relationship between music lyrics and their characteristics using natural language processing techniques. Specifically, we hypothesize that there are significant differences in the themes, emotions, and language used in music lyrics across different genres and time periods.

To achieve this goal, we will begin by exploring a music lyrics dataset provided on Kaggle, which includes lyrics from 1950 to 2019. We will perform exploratory analysis and data cleaning to prepare the data for natural language processing analysis. We will then use natural language processing techniques, such as sentiment analysis and topic modeling, to extract meaningful insights from the lyrics.

In addition, we will explore the relationship between the lyrics and music metadata provided in the dataset, such as tempo, loudness, and danceability, to understand how the musical characteristics of a song relate to its lyrical content. Finally, we will evaluate the performance of various machine learning algorithms in predicting the genre of a song based on its lyrics, to assess the potential of natural language processing techniques in music genre classification.

Our project aims to contribute to the understanding of music lyrics and their characteristics, and to showcase the potential of natural language processing techniques in music analysis. We believe that the results of this project can be useful for various applications, such as music recommendation and marketing.

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