

VerseVault
Your Key to Lyrics, Your Door to Music



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Introduction - **What is it?**

- **Lyric-based** Search Engine for **finding songs**
- Aggregates **various metadata** regarding musical content
- Aims to:
 - Allow **text-based querying** with the aid of context-sensitive **filters**
 - Observe a specific song's **composition** (both **lyrically** and **structurally**)

Introduction - **Why do it?**

Lyrical and structural musical
data is **vast but mostly
unexplored**

**Centralized and rich data
sources** for our data
collection

In its final stage, it will be a **fun and
interactive way** to interact and **perceive
music production and its history**

Introduction - **What will it do?**

Basic Query Example:

"take my hand"

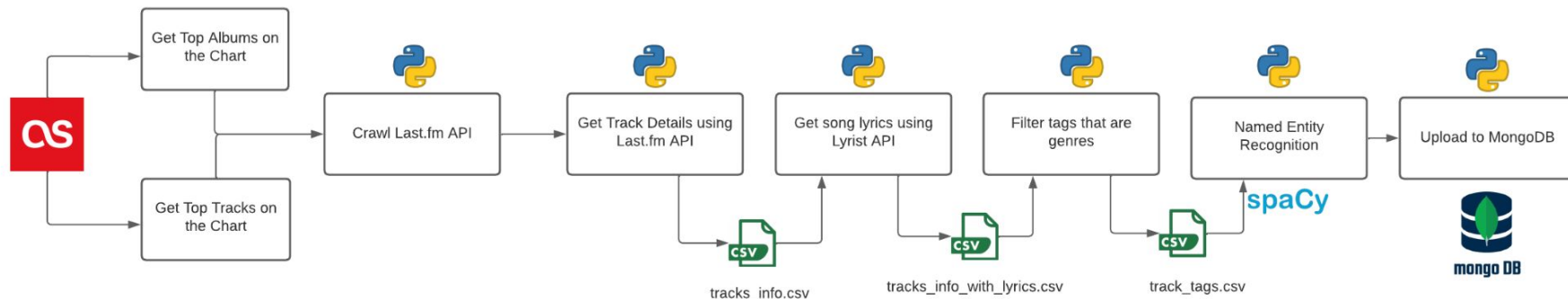
Advanced Query Example:

"love" **IN:** chorus **DURING:** 1970-2000 **GENRE:** disco

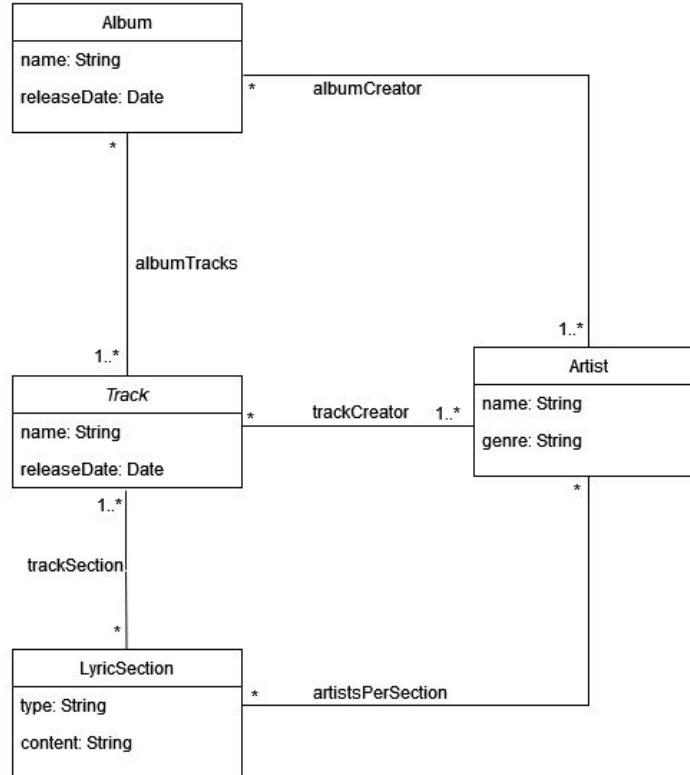
Tooling



Data Sources & Pipeline



Domain Model



Data Collection and Processing

Data collection:

- **Last.fm API** to collect the top charting tracks and albums and their metadata, such as track genre and wiki published date. We also collect the artist and the album information of each track.
- **Lyrism API** (self-hosted) to collect the lyrics for each track obtained previously.

Data processing:

- We assign a genre to track by filtering its associated tags.
- To perform named-entity recognition in the lyrics, we use spaCy.

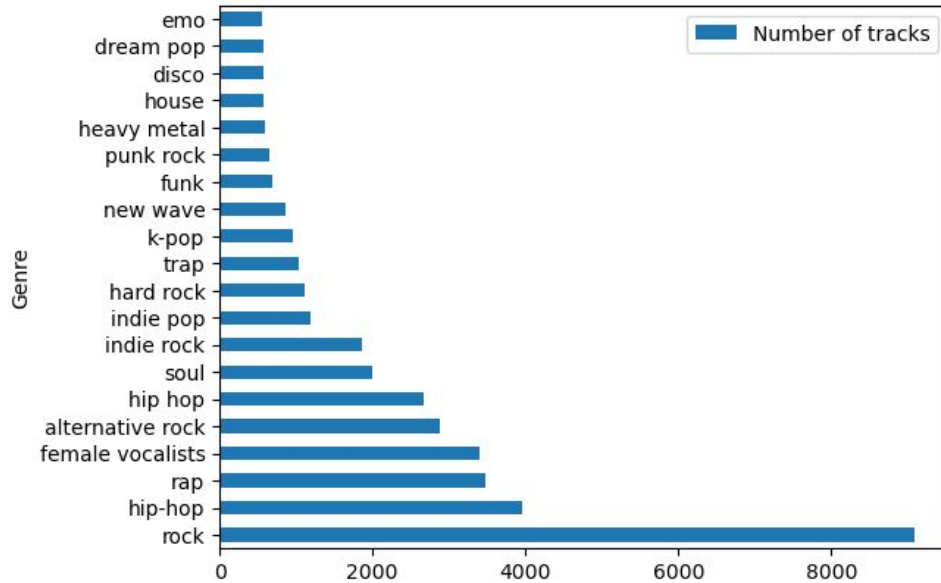
Finally, we upload all this information to a MongoDB instance.

Data Collection - Example

```
_id: ObjectId('65270c2c3d5fe092ffa700d2')
name: "Why'd You Only Call Me When You're High?"
duration: 162000
url: "https://www.last.fm/music/Arctic+Monkeys/_/Why%27d+You+Only+Call+Me+Wh..."
artist: "Arctic Monkeys"
publishedAt: "04 Sep 2021, 18:23"
▼ lyrics: Array
  ▼ 0: Object
    title: "Verse 1"
    content: "The mirror's image tells me it's home time
              But I'm not finished, 'caus..."
    ▶ 1: Object
    ▶ 2: Object
    ▶ 3: Object
    ▶ 4: Object
    ▶ 5: Object
  ▼ genres: Array
    0: "indie rock"
  ▼ album: Object
    name: "Why'd You Only Call Me When You're High?"
    image: "https://lastfm.freetls.fastly.net/i/u/300x300/f579e414e20f40969185e411..."
  ▼ entities: Array
    ▼ 0: Object
      text: "Carryin"
      start: 139
      end: 146
      type: "ORG"
```

Data Characterization

Genre Distribution

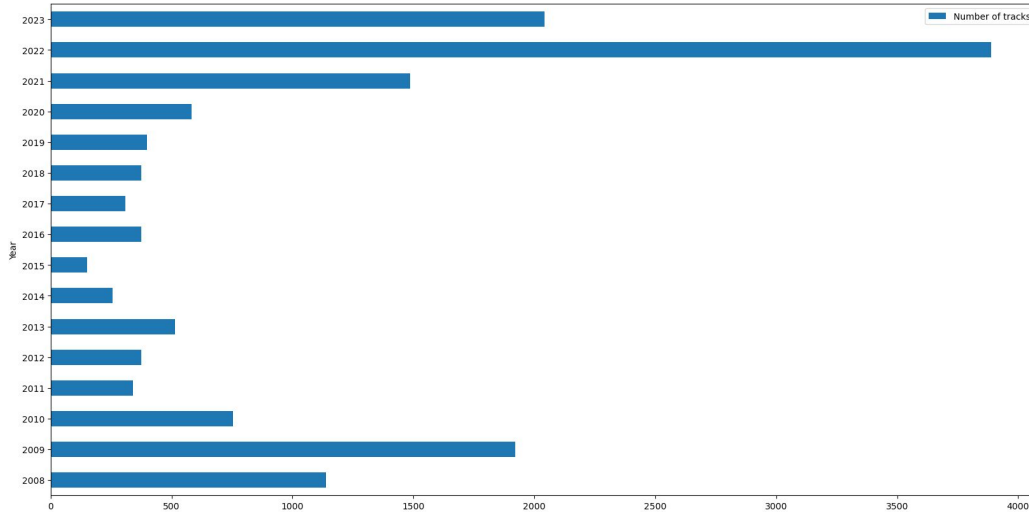


Word Cloud



Data Characterization

Number of track (per year)



Missing data (% per document)

- Missing publishing date of wiki: 68.27%
- Missing album: 8.80%
- Missing album's image: 3.04%
- Missing sections with title: 12.79%
- Missing duration: 20.66%

Information Needs

Relevant search scenarios:

- I want to find a song containing a specific **textual excerpt**.
- I want to find a track that contains a specific **structural section**.
- I want to find a track containing a specific **textual excerpt inside a particular structural section**.
- I want to find a song **written by a specific artist**.
- I want to find a track **belonging to a specific album**.