Final Project Submission

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Section 1: Business Understanding

Context:

Spotify is an audio streaming and media services platfrom, created in 2006. It is one of the largest music streaming service providers with over 406 million monthly active users, including 180 million paying subscribers, as of December 2021.

Spotify offers digital copyright restricted recorded music and podcasts, including more than 82 million songs, from record labels and media companies. As a freemium service, basic features are free with advertisements and limited control, while additional features, such as offline listening and commercial-free listening, are offered via paid subscriptions. Spotify is currently available in 180+ countries as of October 2021. Users can search for music based on artist, album, or genre, and can create, edit, and share playlists.

Two of the most important aspects of Spotify that has led to its popularity are its music discovery functionalities, and playlist creation fostering a new social aspect to music listening. In a 2021 How-To Geek article called "6 Awesome Spotify Features You Should Be Using," 3 of the 6 features are related to playlists, and one speaks about music discovery. One of these features related to music discovery is called "Enhance." Enhance allows you to discover new tracks that might best fit one of your existing playlists. For example, if you have a playlist of a collection of 80s rock songs, Enhance might suggest that you add "Eye of the Tiger" by Survivor.

Business Problem:

Music is now one of the easiest forms of media to consume, due to smartphone technology allowing users to access millions of songs at their fingertips. However, with all of these choices, it is hard to know where to begin when it comes to finding new music that matches someone's preferences, and users may become overwhelmed when trying to find music.

The solution to this problem is to create a recommendation system from scratch that can reperform the functionality of Enhance, which is to use a selection of songs from a playlist and use content-based filtering to suggest a list of songs that are similar.

The stakeholders of this project are Spotify, music-listeners, DJs, and other music-related occupations.

The main purpose of this recommendation system is inferential, meaning that this model should be able infer information about songs from a given playlist and then to predict songs that a user will likely add to that same playlist.

Section 2: Data Understanding

Now that I have developed a overall business understanding, I will take a deeper dive into the data that I will be using for this project.

In [1]: # Import relevant libraries import pandas as pd from numpy.random import seed seed(123) import numpy as np import random import shutil import math import statistics as stat import os from os.path import exists import datetime import seaborn as sns from sklearn.metrics.pairwise import cosine_similarity as cos from sklearn.impute import SimpleImputer import matplotlib.pyplot as plt import sklearn as sk from sklearn.preprocessing import OneHotEncoder, MinMaxScaler from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import TfidfVectorizer import json from pandas.io.json import json_normalize import spotipy from spotipy.oauth2 import SpotifyClientCredentials import time import config sp = spotipy.Spotify(auth_manager=SpotifyClientCredentials(client client import sqlite3 conn = sqlite3.connect('Data/music_recs.db') cur = conn.cursor() from pyspark import SparkContext from pyspark.sql import SparkSession import dataframe_image as dfi import sys import re import collections

In [2]:

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input_path = 'Data/spotify_million_playlist_dataset/data/'

In [3]:  # Check how many items are in the data folder. There are 1000 file
    list_files = os.listdir(input_path)
    number_files = len(list_files)
    print(number_files)
```

Set input path for os functions

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As we can see above, it appears that we have 1000 json files in our data folder. Each file appears to have 1000 records each, which means there are 1 million songs in our dataset. After trying to load the first file, it was too large for my computer to handle. Instead, I will load the first playlist to see its contents.

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In [5]:
            # Open json file to see formatting
            test = open(input_path+'mpd.slice.0-999.json')
            data_0_999 = json.load(test)
            data_0_999['playlists'][0]
Out[5]: {'name': 'Throwbacks',
         'collaborative': 'false',
         'pid': 0,
         'modified_at': 1493424000,
         'num_tracks': 52,
         'num_albums': 47,
         'num_followers': 1,
         'tracks': [{'pos': 0,
            'artist_name': 'Missy Elliott',
           'track uri': 'spotify:track:0UaMYEvWZi0ZqiDOoHU3YI',
           'artist_uri': 'spotify:artist:2wIVse2owClT7go1WT98tk',
           'track_name': 'Lose Control (feat. Ciara & Fat Man Scoop)',
           'album_uri': 'spotify:album:6vV5UrXcfyQD1wu4Qo2I9K',
            'duration_ms': 226863,
           'album_name': 'The Cookbook'},
          {'pos': 1,
            'artist_name': 'Britney Spears',
           'track_uri': 'spotify:track:6I9VzXrHx09rA9A5euc8Ak',
            'artist uri': 'spotify:artist:26dSoYclwsYLMAKD3tpOr4',
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Looking at this playlist above, we can see that we have the following features:

Playlist Attributes

- Playlist Name
- Playlist Type
- Number of Tracks
- Number of Unique Albums
- Number of Followers
- Number of Edits
- Duration in Milliseconds
- Number of Artists

Song Attributes

- Artist Name
- Track URI
- Artist URI
- Track Name
- Album URI
- Duration in Milliseconds
- Album Name

Some features that will be important to our model will be track name, artist name, album name, and their respective URIs. These will help us get more detail about a song from Spotipy. Another piece that could be helpful is the number of followers. This shows us interest in a given playlist. If a playlist has a jumble of random songs that don't form a cohesive playlist, it will probably have less followers than a well-crafted playlist.

Below is a (reformatted) summary from the readme file provided with the <u>data</u> (<u>https://www.aicrowd.com/challenges/spotify-million-playlist-dataset-challenge/dataset_files</u>).

General Info

• Number of Playlists: 1,000,000

Number of Tracks: 66,346,428

• Number of Unique Tracks: 2,262,292

• Number of Unique Albums: 734,684

• Number of Unique Artists: 295,860

• Number of Unique Titles: 92,944

Number of Playlists with Descriptions: 18,760

• Number of Unique Normalized Titles: 17,381

Average Playlist Length: 66.346428

Top Playlist Titles

- 10,000 country
- 10,000 chill
- 8,493 rap
- 8,481 workout
- 8,146 oldies

Top Tracks

- 46,574 HUMBLE. by Kendrick Lamar
- 43,447 One Dance by Drake
- 41,309 Broccoli (feat. Lil Yachty) by DRAM
- 41,079 Closer by The Chainsmokers
- 39,987 Congratulations by Post Malone

Top Artists

- 847,160 Drake
- 413,297 Kanye West
- 353,624 Kendrick Lamar
- 339,570 Rihanna
- 316,603 The Weeknd

As we see in the summary above, there are 1 million playlists with over 66 million songs. Within these playlists, there are 2.2 million unique songs, 734k unique albums, and 300k unique artists. There is a lot of data to work with here. The playlists are sorted into categories, with country and chill being the top, followed by rap and workout. Drake, Kanye West, and Kendrick Lamar are the 3 top artists. The next step in this process is to convert all of this json data to be compatible with python.

Section 3: Data Preparation

The first steps are to convert our JSON data to python and DataFrames. Once we have that, we need to unwrap our track data so it can be converted to a DataFrame, as well.

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In [6]:
            This code was used to open 100 of the files in the dataset and app
            We then select the top 100 playlists according to number of follow
            cohesive playlists
            if os.path.exists('Data/Spotipy Custom DataFrames/spotify_playlist
                pass
            else:
                ## Generate DataFrame for playlist data
                spotify playlist data = pd.DataFrame()
                ## For Loop to open and append 100 json files to a DataFrame
                for item in range(0,100):
                     open_file = open(input_path+sorted(os.listdir(input_path))
                     load_file = json.load(open_file)
                     spotify_playlist_data = spotify_playlist_data.append(load)
                ## Send our DataFrame to a pickle file so we can call it inste
                 spotify playlist data.to pickle('Data/Spotipy Custom DataFrame
                ## Creating a top 100 playlist DataFrame to select the top 100
                 spotify_playlist_top_100 = spotify_playlist_data.sort_values(t
                 spotify_playlist_top_100 = spotify_playlist_top_100.set_index(
                 spotify playlist top 100.to pickle('Data/Spotipy Custom DataFr
In [7]:
            # Open pickle file with our top 100 playlist DataFrame
            spd_top100 = pd.read_pickle('Data/Spotipy Custom DataFrames/spotif
            spd top100
Out[7]:
                  name collaborative modified_at num_tracks num_albums num_followers
            pid
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[{'r 'artist_ 'Applek	31539	9	85	1478908800	false	My Little Pony	180831
[{'r 'artist_ Fighter	22102	54	56	1509408000	false	Rock Hits	159077
[{'r 'artist_ 'Be 'tra	11745	23	26	1456531200	false	Workout Playlist	101121
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[{'r 'artist_ 'Discl	68	197	216	1490227200	false	Dutch!	143072
[{ˈr̞ ˈartist_ ˈMϵ May	68	12	71	1354147200	false	punk goes pop	147046

100 rows × 11 columns

Now that we have aggregated our data, we can see that our track data is nested, which makes sense given we are using json data. In order to get this track data into a pandas dataframe, we will be using similar code to normalize our track data into its own dataframe. We will also pull in the playlist id so we know which track relates to which playlist for when we analyze or use SQL.

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In [8]:
            if os.path.exists('Data/Spotipy Custom DataFrames/unwrapped track)
                pass
            else:
                # Creating DataFrame for the tracks column in our playlist dat
                unwrapped track data = pd.DataFrame()
                # Adding playlist IDs to a list to be appended to the unwrappe
                index_list = spd_top100.index.tolist()
                pid = []
                # Using json_normalize to reformat the json data the DataFrame
                for item in range(0,len(spd top100)):
                     unwrapped_track_data = unwrapped_track_data.append(pd.jsd
                # Appending the playlist IDs to the pid list
                for row in range(0,len(spd_top100.index)):
                    track=0
                    while track<spd_top100['num_tracks'].iloc[row]:</pre>
                         track+=1
                         pid.append(index list[row])
                # Adding the playlist IDs to the unwrapped track data
                unwrapped_track_data['pid'] = pid
                # Save the data as a pickle file
                unwrapped track data.to pickle('Data/Spotipy Custom DataFrames
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In [9]:
               # Call the pickle file for data use
               unwrapped_track_data = pd.read_pickle('Data/Spotipy Custom DataFra
               unwrapped_track_data
 Out [9]:
                 pos artist_name
                                                         track_uri
              0
                      Applebloom
                                   spotify:track:527lbJxFcjjTix0ONdxDdS
                                                                    spotify:artist:7ggsXdK95oJBki
              1
                      Apple Jack spotify:track:1mOnMHXxt2vGl0b804eQsy
                                                                     spotify:artist:1r0v3fdCigrr9m
                         Twilight
              2
                   2
                                  spotify:track:4GciJR91Tj8a7dLJ12WFvr
                                                                   spotify:artist:53CQUfjaBNRwV2
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                         Twilight
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In [10]:
               # Ensure the sum of the number of tracks for each playlist equals
               spd top100['num tracks'].sum() == unwrapped track data.shape[0]
Out[10]: True
               # Stripping the URI fields to leave only the URI itself
In [11]:
               for item in ['track', 'artist', 'album']:
                    placeholder = item
                    unwrapped_track_data[f'{placeholder}_uri'] = unwrapped_track_d
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In [12]:

unwrapped_track_data = unwrapped_track_data[['pos','track_uri','tr unwrapped_track_data

Out[12]:

а	artist_uri	artist_name	track_name	track_uri	pos	
	7ggsXdK95oJBkuZu1txVjC	Applebloom	Hearts as Strong as Horses	527lbJxFcjjTix0ONdxDdS	0	0
	1r0v3fdCiqrr9mYtvbCccT	Apple Jack	Apples to the Core	1mOnMHXxt2vGI0b804eQsy	1	1
	53CQUfjaBNRwV2nFro1nac	Twilight Sparkle	Ballad of the Crystal Ponies	4GciJR91Tj8a7dLJ12WFvr	2	2
	53CQUfjaBNRwV2nFro1nac	Twilight Sparkle	Find a Way	68dC0K4xgIMF5Nhr44TevS	3	3
	53CQUfjaBNRwV2nFro1nac	Twilight Sparkle	A True, True Friend	0vhKFkvwgdPBrrNr9gUbVa	4	4
	4GwCpkFWajqx3KSm0MVh2a	Fake ID	All Or Nothing	3G0PWfSGIsUrl4El8u46EX	66	9318
	6IKhTkyp4EJ0ocidcwafs6	Showoff	Borderline	5qpQhP4hyjCKC95oRtTqni	67	9319
	3NChzMpu9exTINPiqUQ2DE	Thrice	Send Me An Angel	7wwXG5FOebfhVBotX4vTXo	68	9320
	0p3U0uLx2oSf0yn8i5XZki	Nicotine	Baby One More Time	1lbfp4HOrAS0fB8eloEYko	69	9321
	6AluDNoFgmeUTnOc7DYXIN	Student Rick	Heaven Is A Place On Earth	6ktA174mwmCqcb9hfdL178	70	9322

9323 rows × 7 columns

Now that our track data is unwrapped, we will remove duplicates to get a DataFrame of unique songs.

In [13]:

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# Drop duplicates, reset index, and isolate important columns.
unique_track_data = unwrapped_track_data.drop_duplicates(subset='t
unique_track_data = unique_track_data.reset_index()
unique_track_data = unique_track_data[['track_uri','track_name','a
unique_track_data.to_sql('unique_track_data', con = conn, if_exist
unique_track_data
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Out[13]:

	track_uri	track_name	artist_name	artist_uri	album_
0	527lbJxFcjjTix0ONdxDdS	Hearts as Strong as Horses	Applebloom	7ggsXdK95oJBkuZu1txVjC	Soi Poi (Music the O
1	1mOnMHXxt2vGI0b804eQsy	Apples to the Core	Apple Jack	1r0v3fdCiqrr9mYtvbCccT	Soi Poi (Music the O
2	4GciJR91Tj8a7dLJ12WFvr	Ballad of the Crystal Ponies	Twilight Sparkle	53CQUfjaBNRwV2nFro1nac	Soi Poi (Music the O
3	68dC0K4xgIMF5Nhr44TevS	Find a Way	Twilight Sparkle	53CQUfjaBNRwV2nFro1nac	Soi Poi (Music the O
4	0vhKFkvwgdPBrrNr9gUbVa	A True, True Friend	Twilight Sparkle	53CQUfjaBNRwV2nFro1nac	Soi Poi (Music the O
8076	3G0PWfSGIsUrl4El8u46EX	All Or Nothing	Fake ID	4GwCpkFWajqx3KSm0MVh2a	Punk
8077	5qpQhP4hyjCKC95oRtTqni	Borderline	Showoff	6lKhTkyp4EJ0ocidcwafs6	Punk
8078	7wwXG5FOebfhVBotX4vTXo	Send Me An Angel	Thrice	3NChzMpu9exTINPiqUQ2DE	Punk
8079	1lbfp4HOrAS0fB8eloEYko	Baby One More Time	Nicotine	0p3U0uLx2oSf0yn8i5XZki	Punk
8080	6ktA174mwmCqcb9hfdL178	Heaven Is A Place On	Student	6AluDNoFgmeUTnOc7DYXIN	Punk

Earth Rick

8081 rows × 6 columns

Now that I have my data prepared into tables, we will need to import some relevant features that describe the type of each song. While we have already have many features that describe the music, such as song name, length and artist, none of these describe the *charactaristics* of each song. To do this, I have imported the Spotipy library. Per Spotipy's website, this library is described as "a lightweight Python library for the Spotify Web API. With Spotipy you get full access to all of the music data provided by the Spotify platform."

We can use this library to get more information about each song, and therefore classify the type of playlist that we are listening to. The reason we have to do this is because the playlist names might not always have a good description of the type of playlist we have. For example, playlist 159077 above is labelled "Rock Hits!", but playlist 154640 is just labelled an arbitrary title, "Thankful.". We can name Rock songs, but "Thankful" songs can be more subjective, and it is harder to classify a sound or vibe from the title alone. Once we have the type of playlist that we are looking at, we can begin suggesting songs from a similar genre or "vibe".

We will be using the API to import thhe following:

- 1. Audio features that analyze the sound/vibe of the song
- 2. Genre for each song
- 3. Popularity of each song

3.1 Audio Features DataFrames

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In [14]:
             # Using the audio_features method to get charactaristics of our so
             sp.audio features('0UaMYEvWZi0ZqiDOoHU3YI')
Out[14]: [{'danceability': 0.904,
            'energy': 0.813,
           'key': 4,
           'loudness': -7.105,
            'mode': 0,
           'speechiness': 0.121,
           'acousticness': 0.0311,
           'instrumentalness': 0.00697,
            'liveness': 0.0471,
           'valence': 0.81,
           'tempo': 125.461,
           'type': 'audio_features',
           'id': '0UaMYEvWZi0ZqiDOoHU3YI',
           'uri': 'spotify:track:0UaMYEvWZi0ZqiDOoHU3YI',
           'track href': 'https://api.spotify.com/v1/tracks/0UaMYEvWZi0ZgiDOoH
         U3YI',
            'analysis_url': 'https://api.spotify.com/v1/audio-analysis/0UaMYEvW
         Zi0ZqiDOoHU3YI',
            'duration ms': 226864,
           'time_signature': 4}]
```

Above, Spotipy gives us relevant audio features for each song:

- Danceability: describes how suitable a track is for dancing based on a combination of musical elements including tempo, rhythm stability, beat strength, and overall regularity. A value of 0.0 is least danceable and 1.0 is most danceable.
- Acousticness: A measure from 0.0 to 1.0 of whether the track is acoustic.
- Energy: a measure from 0.0 to 1.0 and represents a perceptual measure of intensity and activity. Typically, energetic tracks feel fast, loud, and noisy.
- Instrumentalness: Predicts whether a track contains no vocals. The closer the instrumentalness value is to 1.0, the greater likelihood the track contains no vocal content.
- Liveness: Detects the presence of an audience in the recording. Higher liveness values represent an increased probability that the track was performed live.
- **Loudness**: The overall loudness of a track in decibels (dB). Loudness values are averaged across the entire track. Values typical range between -60 and 0 db.
- **Speechiness**: detects the presence of spoken words in a track. The more exclusively speech-like the recording (e.g. talk show, audio book, poetry), the closer to 1.0 the attribute value.
- **Tempo**: The overall estimated tempo of a track in beats per minute (BPM). In musical terminology, tempo is the speed or pace of a given piece and derives directly from the average beat duration.
- Valence: A measure from 0.0 to 1.0 describing the musical positiveness conveyed by a track. Tracks with high valence sound more positive (e.g. happy, cheerful, euphoric), while tracks with low valence sound more negative (e.g. sad, depressed, angry).

In [16]:

Call file from pickle
audio_features_df = pd.read_pickle('Data/Spotipy Custom DataFrames
audio features df

Out[16]:

	danceability	energy	key	loudness	mode	speechiness	acousticness	instrumentalne
0	0.794	0.826	1	-4.384	1	0.0294	0.242000	0.0000
1	0.802	0.814	0	-2.489	1	0.0286	0.232000	0.0000
2	0.632	0.482	0	-7.480	1	0.0289	0.419000	0.0000
3	0.530	0.392	10	-8.648	1	0.0341	0.881000	0.0000
4	0.678	0.735	10	-6.135	1	0.0355	0.305000	0.0000
8076	0.360	0.909	0	-4.105	1	0.0587	0.017700	0.0000
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3.2 Genre DataFrames

Spotipy does not have a method to call genre for an individual song, so we will need to try our best in order to extract genre for an artist's music. I will create a function that gets the overall artist genre, which we can then apply to their songs. One possible downfall is if an artist goes across multiple genres, the songs might be mapped incorrectly.

In [17]:

unique_artist_data = unique_track_data.drop_duplicates(subset='art
unique_artist_data

Out [17]:

	track_uri	track_name	artist_name	artist_uri	album_
0	527lbJxFcjjTix0ONdxDdS	Hearts as Strong as Horses	Applebloom	7ggsXdK95oJBkuZu1txVjC	Sol Pol (Music the O
1	1mOnMHXxt2vGl0b804eQsy	Apples to the Core	Apple Jack	1r0v3fdCiqrr9mYtvbCccT	Soi Poi (Music the O
2	4GciJR91Tj8a7dLJ12WFvr	Ballad of the Crystal Ponies	Twilight Sparkle	53CQUfjaBNRwV2nFro1nac	Soi Poi (Music the O
8	1rBQeB5zwAWf9mXL2HfMjt	Make a Wish - Extended Version	Pinkie Pie	7ExZeMNpyKhYSokWo9riU5	Sol Pol (Music the O
11	3I4r9SZcAhEydPIS5eS5Sz	Becoming Popular	Rarity	6PqIHmHPCKrZoyLMf98era	Sol Frier and (Music
8075	4krBGFZoDTDtjtGZC8rG9g	Sometimes	Reach The Sky	7masWBJicrrYn9G2iZezdv	Punk
8076	3G0PWfSGIsUrl4El8u46EX	All Or Nothing	Fake ID	4GwCpkFWajqx3KSm0MVh2a	Punk
8077	5qpQhP4hyjCKC95oRtTqni	Borderline	Showoff	6lKhTkyp4EJ0ocidcwafs6	Punk
8079	1lbfp4HOrAS0fB8eloEYko	Baby One More Time	Nicotine	0p3U0uLx2oSf0yn8i5XZki	Punk
8080	6ktA174mwmCqcb9hfdL178	Heaven Is A Place On Earth	Student Rick	6AluDNoFgmeUTnOc7DYXIN	Punk

3148 rows × 6 columns

```
In [18]:  # Extract artist data from spotipy using the search method and loc

def genre_extract(artist):
    extract = pd.DataFrame()
    result = sp.search(artist)
    if len(result['tracks']['items']) != 0:
        track = result['tracks']['items'][0]
        artist = sp.artist(track["artists"][0]["external_urls"]["s
        extract['genres'] = artist["genres"]
        extract['artist_id'] = artist["id"]
    return extract
    else:
        pass
```

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In [19]: 1 genre_extract('Taylor Swift')
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Out [19]:

genres artist_id

0 pop 06HL4z0CvFAxyc27GXpf02

We will now create a DataFrame with the genres for each artist.

In [21]:

Call data from pickle
unique_genre_data = pd.read_pickle('Data/Spotipy Custom DataFrames
unique_genre_data

Out [21]:

	genres	artist_id
0	pony	7ggsXdK95oJBkuZu1txVjC
0	trap queen	1ziRj7e5Tm72Qf2ag6jHed
0	pony	53CQUfjaBNRwV2nFro1nac
0	pony	53CQUfjaBNRwV2nFro1nac
0	alternative emo	2ElhbnEc2cvYlAsXXbo9tg
4	tropical house	7i9j813KFoSBMldGqlh2Z1
5	uk dance	7i9j813KFoSBMldGqlh2Z1
0	bow pop	4zeHJ3kiJyjYXIIOcG4MA7
1	pop violin	4zeHJ3kiJyjYXIIOcG4MA7
0	modern rock	20JZFwl6HVl6yg8a4H3ZqK

11796 rows × 2 columns

genres	
	artist_id
[classic soul, disco, electro, funk, post-disc	001aJOc7CSQVo3XzoLG4DK
[art pop, pop]	00FQb4jTyendYWaN8pK0wa
[opm]	00RJAkLnjGx4kVWVJbOJx1
[alt z, dance pop, electropop, indie poptimism	00TKPo9MxwZ0j4oovelxWZ
[indie pop rap, pop rap, underground hip hop,	00Z3UDoAQwzvGu13HoAM7J
[gaming edm]	7z55f4aJkaPR4EF2BXqsq7
[contemporary country, country, pop]	7z5WFjZAIYejWy0NI5lv4T
[dirty south rap, gangster rap, hip hop, houst	7zlCaxnDB9ZprDSiFpvbbW
[hip pop, neo soul, pop r&b, r&b, urban contem	7zmk5lkmCMVvfvwF3H8FWC
[stomp and holler]	7zsin6lgVsR1rqSRCNYDwq

2499 rows × 1 columns

In [23]: # Create new column reformatting data from list to string
unique_genre_data['genres_string'] = [','.join(map(str, l)) for l
unique_genre_data

enres	genres_string
е	enres

artist_id		
001aJOc7CSQVo3XzoLG4DK	[classic soul, disco, electro, funk, post-disc	classic soul,disco,electro,funk,post- disco,qui
00FQb4jTyendYWaN8pK0wa	[art pop, pop]	art pop,pop
00RJAkLnjGx4kVWVJbOJx1	[opm]	opm
00TKPo9MxwZ0j4oovelxWZ	[alt z, dance pop, electropop, indie poptimism	alt z,dance pop,electropop,indie poptimism,nyc
00Z3UDoAQwzvGu13HoAM7J	[indie pop rap, pop rap, underground hip hop,	indie pop rap,pop rap,underground hip hop,indi
•••		
7z55f4aJkaPR4EF2BXqsq7	[gaming edm]	gaming edm
7z5WFjZAIYejWy0Nl5lv4T	[contemporary country, country, pop]	contemporary country,country,pop
7zICaxnDB9ZprDSiFpvbbW	[dirty south rap, gangster rap, hip hop, houst	dirty south rap,gangster rap,hip hop,houston r
7zmk5lkmCMVvfvwF3H8FWC	[hip pop, neo soul, pop r&b, r&b, urban contem	hip pop,neo soul,pop r&b,r&b,urban contemporary
7zsin6lgVsR1rqSRCNYDwq	[stomp and holler]	stomp and holler

2499 rows × 2 columns

artist_id						
001aJOc7CSQVo3XzoLG4DK	classic soul	disco	electro	funk	post-disco	qı
00FQb4jTyendYWaN8pK0wa	art pop	pop	None	None	None	
00RJAkLnjGx4kVWVJbOJx1	opm	None	None	None	None	
00TKPo9MxwZ0j4oovelxWZ	alt z	dance pop	electropop	indie poptimism	nyc pop	
00Z3UDoAQwzvGu13HoAM7J	indie pop rap	pop rap	underground hip hop	indie pop rap	pop rap	unc
7z55f4aJkaPR4EF2BXqsq7	gaming edm	None	None	None	None	
7z5WFjZAIYejWy0NI5lv4T	contemporary country	country	pop	None	None	
7zICaxnDB9ZprDSiFpvbbW	dirty south rap	gangster rap	hip hop	houston rap	new orleans rap	
7zmk5lkmCMVvfvwF3H8FWC	hip pop	neo soul	pop r&b	r&b	urban contemporary	
7zsin6lgVsR1rqSRCNYDwq	stomp and holler	None	None	None	None	

2499 rows × 42 columns

In [25]:	2						
	<pre>3 for column in ran 4</pre>] = uni	que_genre_	_data[col	umn].apply	(la
	6 unique_genre_data						
Out[25]:		0	1	2	3	4	
	artist_id						
	001aJOc7CSQVo3XzoLG4DK	classic soul	disco	electro	funk	post-disco	qı
	00FQb4jTyendYWaN8pK0wa	art pop	pop	None	None	None	
	00RJAkLnjGx4kVWVJbOJx1	opm	None	None	None	None	
	00TKPo9MxwZ0j4oovelxWZ	alt z	dance pop	electropop	indie poptimism	nyc pop	
	00Z3UDoAQwzvGu13HoAM7J	indie pop rap	pop rap	underground hip hop	indie pop rap	pop rap	unc
	7z55f4aJkaPR4EF2BXqsq7	gaming edm	None	None	None	None	
	7z5WFjZAIYejWy0NI5lv4T	contemporary country	country	pop	None	None	
	7zICaxnDB9ZprDSiFpvbbW	dirty south rap	gangster rap	hip hop	houston rap	new orleans rap	
	7zmk5lkmCMVvfvwF3H8FWC	hip pop	neo soul	pop r&b	r&b	urban contemporary	
	7zsin6lgVsR1rqSRCNYDwq	stomp and holler	None	None	None	None	

2499 rows × 42 columns

3.3 Popularity DataFrames

```
In [26]:
             # We can get popularity of a track from the track method
             sp.track('0KKkJNfGyhkQ5aFogxQAPU')
Out[26]: {'album': {'album_type': 'album',
            'artists': [{'external_urls': {'spotify': 'https://open.spotify.c
         om/artist/0du5cEVh5yTK9QJze8zA0C'},
              'href': 'https://api.spotify.com/v1/artists/0du5cEVh5yTK90Jze8z
         AOC',
              id': '0du5cEVh5yTK9QJze8zA0C',
             'name': 'Bruno Mars',
              'type': 'artist',
              'uri': 'spotify:artist:0du5cEVh5yTK9QJze8zA0C'}],
            'available_markets': ['AD',
             'AE',
             'AG',
             'AL',
             'AM',
             'AO',
             'AR',
             'AT'
             'AU',
             'AZ'
In [27]:
             sp.track('0KKkJNfGyhkQ5aFogxQAPU')['popularity']
Out[27]: 83
             # Define function to extract the popularity from a given track. Pa
In [28]:
             # don't break the function
             def popularity_extract(track):
                 extract = pd.DataFrame()
                  pop list = []
                 try:
                      result = sp.track(track)
                      track = result['id']
                      popularity = result['popularity']
                      pop list.append(int(popularity))
                      extract['popularity'] = pop_list
                      extract['track id'] = result['id']
                      return extract
                 except Exception:
                      pass
```

```
In [29]:
             # Test function
             popularity extract('OKKkJNfGyhkQ5aFogxQAPU')
Out [29]:
            popularity
                                  track id
                  83 0KKkJNfGyhkQ5aFogxQAPU
In [30]:
             # Test function if track_id doesn't exist
             popularity_extract('example_error')
         HTTP Error for GET to https://api.spotify.com/v1/tracks/example_error
         (https://api.spotify.com/v1/tracks/example_error) with Params: {'mark
         et': None} returned 400 due to invalid id
In [31]:
             # Creating DataFrame for track popularity
             if os.path.exists('Data/Spotipy Custom DataFrames/unique_track_por
                 pass
             else:
                 unique_track_popularity = pd.DataFrame()
                 # Iterating over track data to apply function and append it to
                 for track in range(0,len(unique_track_data)):
                      track id = unique track data['track uri'][track]
                      unique_track_popularity = unique_track_popularity.append(p
                 # Save time by exporting DataFrame to pickle
                 unique track popularity.to pickle('Data/Spotipy Custom DataFra
```

In [32]:

Call pickle file and remove 0 popularity songs
unique_track_popularity = pd.read_pickle('Data/Spotipy Custom Data
unique_track_popularity.drop(unique_track_popularity[unique_track_
unique_track_popularity

Out[32]:

	popularity	track_id
82	64	3kdMzXOcrDldSWLdONHNK5
83	69	7aOor99o8NNLZYEIOXIBG1
86	60	45HAjqRWiNv6mMPw4NvZrU
87	56	5y1jgbDNgTfxoWXv3FhH2Q
90	67	2UZtl2HUyLRzqBjodvcUmY
8007	30	76ictxnZf8a4MAmaeNqvbU
8009	39	0MHJ3Obkdl3EN29A8nv6uz
8042	43	4POJUFV0qevJyeAX0j2mxR
8061	46	34ccBqL3xNaCzPxr0UqoEw
8069	33	6HcSRCF0R0DYRNY6vG0448

Next I am going to create an overall track_features file that combines all of our tables together.

In [33]:

```
# Send DataFrames to SQL
audio_features_df.to_sql('audio_features_df', con = conn, if_exist
unique_track_data.to_sql('unique_track_data', con = conn, if_exist
unwrapped_track_data.to_sql('unwrapped_track_data', con = conn, if
spd_top100 = spd_top100.applymap(str)
spd_top100.to_sql('spd_top100', con = conn, if_exists='replace')
unique_genre_data.to_sql('unique_genre_data', con = conn, if_exist
unique_track_popularity.to_sql('unique_track_popularity', con = conn)
```

In [36]:

```
# Reformat the DataFrame, dropping columns, removing duplicates, k

track_features = track_features.drop(columns=['pos','index','type'
    track_features = track_features.loc[:,~track_features.columns.dupl
    track_features = track_features.drop(track_features.iloc[:, 21:62]
    track_features = track_features.rename(columns={'pid':'playlist_ic'}
    track_features = track_features.set_index('playlist_id')

scaler = MinMaxScaler()
minmax_columns = track_features.columns.tolist()[5:18] + ['popular'
    track_features[minmax_columns]=scaler.fit_transform(track_features'
    track_features.info()
```

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Int64Index: 9323 entries, 180831 to 147046
Data columns (total 21 columns):

#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
0	track_uri	9323 non-null	object
1	track_name	9323 non-null	object
2	artist_name	9323 non-null	object
3	artist_uri	9323 non-null	object
4	album_name	9323 non-null	object
5	danceability	9323 non-null	float64
6	energy	9323 non-null	float64
7	key	9323 non-null	float64
8	loudness	9323 non-null	float64
9	mode	9323 non-null	float64
10	speechiness	9323 non-null	float64
11	acousticness	9323 non-null	float64
12	instrumentalness	9323 non-null	float64
13	liveness	9323 non-null	float64
1 /		022211	T1 ~~ TC 4

In [37]: 1 track_features

Out[3/]:		track_uri	track_name	artist_name	artist_uri	all
	playlist_id					

piayiist_id				
180831	527lbJxFcjjTix0ONdxDdS	Hearts as Strong as Horses	Applebloom	7ggsXdK95oJBkuZu1txVjC
180831	1mOnMHXxt2vGI0b804eQsy	Apples to the Core	Apple Jack	1r0v3fdCiqrr9mYtvbCccT
180831	4GciJR91Tj8a7dLJ12WFvr	Ballad of the Crystal Ponies	Twilight Sparkle	53CQUfjaBNRwV2nFro1nac
180831	68dC0K4xgIMF5Nhr44TevS	Find a Way	Twilight Sparkle	53CQUfjaBNRwV2nFro1nac
180831	0vhKFkvwgdPBrrNr9gUbVa	A True, True Friend	Twilight Sparkle	53CQUfjaBNRwV2nFro1nac
147046	3G0PWfSGIsUrl4El8u46EX	All Or Nothing	Fake ID	4GwCpkFWajqx3KSm0MVh2a
147046	5qpQhP4hyjCKC95oRtTqni	Borderline	Showoff	6lKhTkyp4EJ0ocidcwafs6
147046	7wwXG5FOebfhVBotX4vTXo	Send Me An Angel	Thrice	3NChzMpu9exTINPiqUQ2DE
147046	1lbfp4HOrAS0fB8eloEYko	Baby One More Time	Nicotine	0p3U0uLx2oSf0yn8i5XZki
147046	6ktA174mwmCqcb9hfdL178	Heaven Is A Place On Earth	Student Rick	6AluDNoFgmeUTnOc7DYXIN

9323 rows × 21 columns

3.4 Create Playlist/Track Vectors for Modeling

Now that we have our general information tables, it is time to create our vectors for our recommendation system. We will make a Features, popularity, and genre vector for both our track data, and then we will use spark to aggregate the data and group it by playlist. All columns will be numeric.

3.4.1.1 Track Features Vector

In [39]:	1 2 3 4 5 6	<pre># Combine track features with base list to get track_uri playlist_features_by_track = """SELECT *</pre>						
In [40]:	1 2		<pre># Convert to DataFrame playlist_features_by_track = pd.read_sql(playlist_features_by_tra</pre>					
In [41]:	1 2		# View DataFrame to determine columns to drop playlist_features_by_track					
Out[41]:		playlist_id	track_uri	track_name	artist_name	artist_		
	(o 180831	527lbJxFcjjTix0ONdxDdS	Hearts as Strong as Horses	Applebloom	7ggsXdK95oJBkuZu1tx\		
		1 180831	1mOnMHXxt2vGl0b804eQsy	Apples to the Core	Apple Jack	1r0v3fdCiqrr9mYtvbCc		
	2	2 180831	4GciJR91Tj8a7dLJ12WFvr	Ballad of the Crystal Ponies	Twilight Sparkle	53CQUfjaBNRwV2nFro1r		

3	180831	68dC0K4xglMF5Nhr44TevS	Find a Way	Twilight Sparkle	53CQUfjaBNRwV2nFro1r
4	180831	0vhKFkvwgdPBrrNr9gUbVa	A True, True Friend	Twilight Sparkle	53CQUfjaBNRwV2nFro1r
9318	147046	3G0PWfSGIsUrI4El8u46EX	All Or Nothing	Fake ID	4GwCpkFWajqx3KSm0MVh
9319	147046	5qpQhP4hyjCKC95oRtTqni	Borderline	Showoff	6IKhTkyp4EJ0ocidcwa
9320	147046	7wwXG5FOebfhVBotX4vTXo	Send Me An Angel	Thrice	3NChzMpu9exTINPiqUQ2
9321	147046	1lbfp4HOrAS0fB8eloEYko	Baby One More Time	Nicotine	0p3U0uLx2oSf0yn8i5X
9322	147046	6ktA174mwmCqcb9hfdL178	Heaven Is A Place On Earth	Student Rick	6AluDNoFgmeUTnOc7DY)

9323 rows × 34 columns

```
In [42]:
```

Drop irrelevant columns that we will not use
playlist_features_by_track = playlist_features_by_track.drop(column)

```
In [43]:  # Create Master Vector for Audio Features (1/6)

master_track_audio_features = playlist_features_by_track
master_track_audio_features = master_track_audio_features.set_inde
master_track_audio_features = master_track_audio_features.iloc[:,5]
master_track_audio_features
```

Out [43]:

	danceability	energy	key	loudness	mode	speechiness
track_uri						
527lbJxFcjjTix0ONdxDdS	0.811861	0.827313	0.090909	0.905208	1.0	0.033832
1mOnMHXxt2vGI0b804eQsy	0.820041	0.815265	0.000000	0.951044	1.0	0.032911
4GciJR91Tj8a7dLJ12WFvr	0.646217	0.481938	0.000000	0.830322	1.0	0.033257
68dC0K4xglMF5Nhr44TevS	0.541922	0.391578	0.909091	0.802070	1.0	0.039241
0vhKFkvwgdPBrrNr9gUbVa	0.693252	0.735949	0.909091	0.862855	1.0	0.040852
3G0PWfSGIsUrl4El8u46EX	0.368098	0.910644	0.000000	0.911956	1.0	0.067549
5qpQhP4hyjCKC95oRtTqni	0.561350	0.902612	0.363636	0.882834	1.0	0.053970
7wwXG5FOebfhVBotX4vTXo	0.267894	0.943776	0.545455	0.920809	1.0	0.059839
1lbfp4HOrAS0fB8eloEYko	0.601227	0.886548	0.818182	0.884164	0.0	0.038780

3.4.1.2 Playlist Features Vector

```
# Assign aggregate type to the columns. We will be using mean
In [46]:
             aggregate_features = {'danceability': 'mean',
                                    'energy' : 'mean',
                                    'key' : 'mean',
                                    'loudness' : 'mean',
                                    'mode' : 'mean',
                                    'speechiness': 'mean',
                                    'acousticness' : 'mean',
                                    'instrumentalness' : 'mean',
                                    'liveness' : 'mean',
                                    'valence' : 'mean',
                                    'tempo' : 'mean',
                                    'time signature' : 'mean'}
             # Create aggreate DataFrame for playlist
             playlist_features_aggregate_spark = spark_df.groupBy('playlist_id'
```

In [47]:

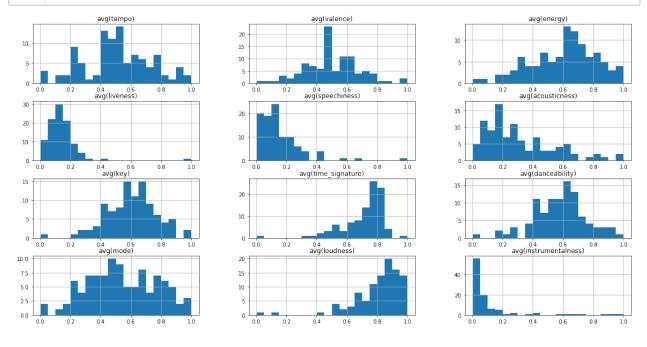
Out [47]:

	avg(terripo)	avg(valerice)	avg(energy)	avy(liveriess)	avg(speechiness)	avytacoustici
playlist_id						
161637	0.644151	0.498094	0.708264	0.178966	0.111970	0.15
102585	0.680578	0.569183	0.823455	0.117857	0.196751	0.14
108597	0.715631	0.151800	0.579258	0.219829	0.014027	0.19
108807	0.220464	0.778609	0.655196	0.069106	0.127409	0.41
154640	0.427408	0.487836	0.562870	0.229843	0.092631	0.33
184707	0.581173	0.480149	0.827352	0.141990	0.052378	0.08
101224	0.736112	0.771093	0.871079	0.199587	0.147407	0.08
182403	0.922561	0.714557	0.631823	0.054815	0.031743	0.27
17675	0.423771	0.962023	0.840775	0.170312	0.213944	0.19
147261	0.562398	0.484761	0.521355	0.089924	0.050583	0.25

avaltempo) avalvalence) avalenerav) avalliveness) avalsneechiness) avalacousticn

100 rows × 12 columns

In [48]: # Create Visualization for each feature type fig, axes = plt.subplots(len(playlist_features_aggregate.columns)/ i = 0 for triaxis in axes: for axis in triaxis: playlist_features_aggregate.hist(column = playlist_feature) i = i+1



3.4.2.1 Popularity Track Vector

```
In [49]: 1 # Create df for all popularity data that have no nulls, set index
playlist_popularity_no_nulls = playlist_features_by_track.dropna(a
master_track_popularity_data = playlist_popularity_no_nulls[['track_popularity_data.set_ir]
```

```
In [50]: # Master Popularity data for Tracks (3/6)
2 master_track_popularity_data
```

Out [50]:

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UU	UU	larity
-	P	,

track_uri	
3kdMzXOcrDldSWLdONHNK5	0.724138
7aOor99o8NNLZYEIOXIBG1	0.781609
45HAjqRWiNv6mMPw4NvZrU	0.678161
5y1jgbDNgTfxoWXv3FhH2Q	0.632184
2UZtl2HUyLRzqBjodvcUmY	0.758621

76ictxnZf8a4MAmaeNqvbU	0.333333
0MHJ3Obkdl3EN29A8nv6uz	0.436782
4POJUFV0qevJyeAX0j2mxR	0.482759
34ccBqL3xNaCzPxr0UqoEw	0.517241

3.4.2.2 Popularity Playlist Vector

```
In [53]: # Send our spark df to Pandas and set index to playlist id (4/6)
playlist_popularity_aggregate = playlist_popularity_aggregate.set_
playlist_popularity_aggregate

playlist_popularity_aggregate
```

Out [53]:

avg(popularity)

playlist_id	
161637	0.326230
102585	0.665113
108597	0.471436
108807	0.445680
154640	0.218391
184707	0.451393
101224	0.556975
182403	0.678161
17675	0.616240
147261	0.527203

99 rows × 1 columns

3.4.3.1 Genre Track Vector

In [54]:

Prepare dataframe for genre for tracks

3 playlist_features_by_track[playlist_features_by_track['genre_1'].r

Out [54]:

	playlist_id	track_uri	track_name	artist_name	artist_
0	180831	527lbJxFcjjTix0ONdxDdS	Hearts as Strong as Horses	Applebloom	7ggsXdK95oJBkuZu1tx\
2	180831	4GciJR91Tj8a7dLJ12WFvr	Ballad of the Crystal Ponies	Twilight Sparkle	53CQUfjaBNRwV2nFro1r
3	180831	68dC0K4xglMF5Nhr44TevS	Find a Way	Twilight Sparkle	53CQUfjaBNRwV2nFro1r
4	180831	0vhKFkvwgdPBrrNr9gUbVa	A True, True Friend	Twilight Sparkle	53CQUfjaBNRwV2nFro1r
6	180831	1XBQVELMITpvMal5Pn1UpO	Babs Seed	Applebloom	7ggsXdK95oJBkuZu1tx\
9310	147046	2jbupzHNwz0VgORg1uJb3D	Like A Prayer	Rufio	0HjoylTAvSVktTCjXUa4
9311	147046	6HcSRCF0R0DYRNY6vG0448	Bye, Bye, Bye	Further Seems Forever	1Enp9WKfk0al9CFi2YGE
9313	147046	57uO0ogaSWb7t20CY85CfD	I'm Like A Bird	Element 101	6pndtpE63q5pHaGhDko ⁻
9315	147046	5Al3VJyLLmB8hEloCAVClm	I'm Real	The Starting Line	3E3xrZtBU5ORqcmX78v5
9320	147046	7wwXG5FOebfhVBotX4vTXo	Send Me An Angel	Thrice	3NChzMpu9exTINPiqUQ2

7207 rows × 21 columns

In [55]: # Select genre data and set index to track_uri genre_data_no_nulls = playlist_features_by_track[playlist_features # OneHotEncode our data so it can be read by our model ohe = OneHotEncoder() X = ohe.fit_transform(genre_data_no_nulls['genre_1'].values.reshap y = ohe.get_feature_names(['genre_1']) master_track_genre_data = pd.DataFrame(X, columns = y) master_track_genre_data.index = genre_data_no_nulls.index # Final master genre data by track (5/6) master_track_genre_data

Out [55]:

	genre_1_21st century classical	genre_1_a cappella	genre_1_abstract beats	genre_1_abstract hip hop	gen
track_uri					
527lbJxFcjjTix0ONdxDdS	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
4GciJR91Tj8a7dLJ12WFvr	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
68dC0K4xgIMF5Nhr44TevS	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
0vhKFkvwgdPBrrNr9gUbVa	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
1XBQVELMITpvMal5Pn1UpO	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
2jbupzHNwz0VgORg1uJb3D	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
6HcSRCF0R0DYRNY6vG0448	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
57uO0ogaSWb7t20CY85CfD	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
5Al3VJyLLmB8hEloCAVCIm	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
7wwXG5FOebfhVBotX4vTXo	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	

7207 rows × 500 columns

3.4.3.2 Genre Playlist Vector

```
In [57]:
              # Create our third spark dataframe
              spark df3 = spark.createDataFrame(playlist genre prep)
In [58]:
              # Aggregate our genre data by sum
              genre_keys = playlist_genre_prep.columns.to_list()
              genre_values = ['sum'] * 500
              aggregate = dict(zip(genre_keys,genre_values))
              playlist genre aggregate spark = spark df3.groupBy('playlist id').
In [59]:
              # MinMax scale our sums to weight our most common genres on a scal
              playlist_genre_aggregate = playlist_genre_aggregate_spark.toPandas
              playlist genre aggregate = playlist genre aggregate.set index('plage)
              playlist pie chart = playlist genre aggregate.copy()
              minmax columns2 = playlist genre aggregate.columns.tolist()
              playlist_genre_aggregate[minmax_columns2] = scaler.fit_transform(p
              # Final Master playlist data for genre (6/6)
              playlist genre aggregate.index.get loc(102585)
Out[59]: 1
              playlist_genre_aggregate.iloc[1:2]
In [60]:
Out [60]:
                   sum(genre_1_la sum(genre_1_lovers sum(genre_1_lo- sum(genre_1_french sum(geni
                                                      fi beats)
                           pop)
                                           rock)
                                                                     shoegaze)
                                                                               classic
          playlist_id
                                            0.0
                                                          0.0
                                                                          0.0
             102585
                            0.0
          1 rows × 500 columns
In [61]:
              # End Spark Session
              SparkSession.stop(spark)
```

3.5 Final Vectors

Track Vector

In [62]: # Send master track vectors to SQL a master_track_audio_features.to_sql('master_track_audio_features', master_track_popularity_data.to_sql('master_track_popularity_data') master_track_genre_data.to_sql('master_track_genre_data', con = comparing the square data')

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method=method,

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In [63]:
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# Join track vectors using SQL
final_track_join = """SELECT *
                    FROM master_track_audio_features as taf
                    LEFT JOIN master_track_popularity_data as mtp
                        ON taf.track_uri = mtp.track_uri
                    LEFT JOIN master_track_genre_data as mtg
                        ON taf.track uri = mtg.track uri"""
# Read into Pandas and set index, impute values for most frequent
final_track_vector = pd.read_sql(final_track_join, con = conn)
final_track_vector = final_track_vector.set_index('track_uri')
impute = SimpleImputer(missing_values=np.nan, strategy='most_frequency
final_track_vector[final_track_vector.columns.to_list()] = impute.
# Fix index (formatting was strange)
new index = []
for item in range(0,len(final track vector.index)):
    new_index.append(final_track_vector.index[item][0])
final_track_vector['track_uri_fix'] = new_index
final_track_vector = final_track_vector.set_index('track_uri_fix')
final_track_vector.index = final_track_vector.index.rename(name =
# Drop categorical features that shouldn't be used in modeling
final_track_vector = final_track_vector.drop(['key','mode','time_s
# Final track vector ready for modelling shape is (8081 x 513)
final_track_vector = final_track_vector.drop_duplicates()
final_track_vector
```

Out [63]:

danceability energy loudness speechiness acousticness instru

track_uri

527lbJxFcjjTix0ONdxDdS 0.811861 0.827313 0.905208 0.033832 0.242971

1mOnMHXxt2vGl0b804eQsy	0.820041	0.815265	0.951044	0.032911	0.232930
4GciJR91Tj8a7dLJ12WFvr	0.646217	0.481938	0.830322	0.033257	0.420682
68dC0K4xgIMF5Nhr44TevS	0.541922	0.391578	0.802070	0.039241	0.884538
0vhKFkvwgdPBrrNr9gUbVa	0.693252	0.735949	0.862855	0.040852	0.306224
3G0PWfSGIsUrI4El8u46EX	0.368098	0.910644	0.911956	0.067549	0.017769
5qpQhP4hyjCKC95oRtTqni	0.561350	0.902612	0.882834	0.053970	0.014055
7wwXG5FOebfhVBotX4vTXo	0.267894	0.943776	0.920809	0.059839	0.000006
1lbfp4HOrAS0fB8eloEYko	0.601227	0.886548	0.884164	0.038780	0.001866
6ktA174mwmCqcb9hfdL178	0.627812	0.794181	0.895920	0.035328	0.000684

8081 rows × 510 columns

Playlist Vector

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impute = SimpleImputer(missing values=np.nan, strategy='mean')

method=method,

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final_playlist_vector[final_playlist_vector.columns.to_list()] = i
final_playlist_vector.columns = final_playlist_vector.columns.str[

# Drop categorical features that shouldn't be used in modeling
final_playlist_vector = final_playlist_vector.drop(['key','mode','])

# Final playlist vector ready for modelling shape is (100 x 513)
final_playlist_vector
```

Out[65]:

	acousticness	danceability	energy	instrumentalness	liveness	loudness	populari
playlist_id							
161637	0.152660	0.447993	0.708264	0.018751	0.178966	0.878009	0.3262
102585	0.143031	0.588997	0.823455	0.024649	0.117857	0.941022	0.6651
108597	0.199158	0.272991	0.579258	0.000178	0.219829	0.859859	0.4714
108807	0.413473	0.676067	0.655196	0.018121	0.069106	0.793770	0.4456
154640	0.335231	0.492703	0.562870	0.021785	0.229843	0.785069	0.21839
184707	0.084968	0.517632	0.827352	0.076839	0.141990	0.925287	0.45139
101224	0.085839	0.633265	0.871079	0.021512	0.199587	0.971021	0.5569
182403	0.271278	0.675073	0.631823	0.044869	0.054815	0.755928	0.67810
17675	0.190159	0.900861	0.840775	0.002419	0.170312	0.946618	0.6162
147261	0.250436	0.504570	0.521355	0.083943	0.089924	0.768521	0.52720

100 rows × 510 columns

Section 4: Modeling

Content-Based Filtering using Cosine Similarity

Now that we have our vectors with our audio features, popularity, and genre data, I will use cosine similarity to build our recommendation system. Here is how it will work:

- Step 1: Our model will take a look at a selected playlist id and its vector to analyze the overall features of the songs within.
- Step 2: Our model will then compare the playlist's vector to our unique track data vector (audio feaures, popularity, and genre) to generate a list of x number of songs (user-inputted) that are closely comparable to the playlist vectors, using cosine similarity. The greater the cosine similarity, the more similar the vectors are related.
- Step 3: We will then analyze the features of the top song generated for reasonableness.

In [66]:

```
# Recommenders
def song_recommender(playlist_id,num_recs):
    This function serves as the recommendation system behind our
    Inputs pulled from spotify recommendation function below:
    playlist_id: spotify playlist id from top 100 popular playlis
    num_recs: number of recomendations desired
    # Remove songs from track vector that appear in the selected
    playlist_tracks_uri_key = pd.DataFrame(playlist_info(playlist)
    master_track_key = pd.DataFrame(final_track_vector.reset_inde
    unique_track_key = pd.DataFrame(final_track_vector.reset_inde
    unique_track_key = unique_track_key.append(playlist_tracks_ur
    new_final_track_vector_no_playlist_tracks = pd.merge(unique_t
    new_final_track_vector_no_playlist_tracks = new_final_track_v
    # Create consine similarity model between unique tracks and p
    row number = final playlist vector.index.get loc(playlist id)
    playlist_selection_vector = final_playlist_vector.iloc[row_nu
    playlist_feature_cos = pd.DataFrame(cos(new_final_track_vecto)
    playlist_feature_cos.index = new_final_track_vector_no_playli
    # Reformat and sort based on strongest cosine similarity valu
    playlist feature cos = playlist feature cos.rename(columns =
    playlist_feature_cos = playlist_feature_cos.sort_values(playl
    # Use SQL to bring in track name, artist name and album name
    playlist feature cos.to sql('playlist feature cos', con = con
    clean recommendations = """SELECT *
                    FROM playlist_feature_cos as pfc
                    LEET TOTAL unique track data as utd
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LLI I JUIN UNITHUE LIACK LUALA AS ULU
                        ON pfc.track_uri = utd.track uri"""
    # Send to Pandas and reformat
    clean recommendations df = pd.read sql(clean recommendations,
    clean_recommendations_df = clean_recommendations_df.drop(colu
    clean_recommendations_df = clean_recommendations_df.iloc[:,2:
    return clean_recommendations_df
def playlist info(playlist id):
    playlist info = unwrapped track data[unwrapped track data['pi
    playlist_info = playlist_info[['track_uri','track_name','arti
    dfi.export(playlist_info.head(10), 'Visualizations/playlistsn
    return playlist_info
def spotify_recommendation(playlist_id,num_recs):
    This function provides us with our general interface for our
    Inputs:
    playlist_id: spotify playlist id from top 100 popular playlis
    num recs: number of recomendations desired
    dfi.export(song recommender(playlist id, num recs), 'Visualiza
    return print('\nThank you for inputting your playlist. Please
# Validation
def check_duplicates(playlist_id,num_recs):
    This function is used to check for any duplicate recommendati
    recommendations for tracks that aren't already in the playlis
    playlist and our recommendations, the returned set will not b
    the set will be empty.
    rec check = song recommender(playlist id,num recs)['track uri
    playlist_check = playlist_info(playlist_id)['track_uri'].valu
    if len(set(rec check) & set(playlist check))==0:
        return print("No duplicates being recommended!")
    else:
        return print("Duplicate recommendations found!")
# Comparisons
def song vs playlist_comparison(playlist_id, num_recs):
    # This function gives us the sample variance between our sele
    rnum = final playlist vector.index.get loc(playlist id)
    playlist snapshot = final playlist vector.iloc[rnum:rnum+1].r
    rec tracks = pd.DataFrame()
    for item in range(0, num recs):
        rec tracks = rec tracks.append(song recommender(playlist
```

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rec tracks = rec tracks.drop(columns=['track name', 'artist na
    final_track_vector.to_sql('final_track_vector', con = conn, i
    rec_tracks.to_sql('rec_tracks', con = conn, if_exists='replac
    rec tracks features = """SELECT *
                    FROM rec_tracks as rt
                    LEFT JOIN final track vector as ftv
                        ON rt.track_uri = ftv.track_uri"""
    rec_tracks_features_df = pd.read_sql(rec_tracks_features, con
    rec_tracks_features_df = rec_tracks_features_df.set_index('tr
    rec_tracks_features_df.loc['mean'] = rec_tracks_features_df.m
    # Manually calculated variance
    abs_variance_df = playlist_snapshot - rec_tracks_features_df.
    abs_variance_df['sum difference'] = abs_variance_df.sum(axis=
    abs variance df = abs variance df.drop(columns='index',axis=1
    return abs_variance_df
def song vs playlist visual comparison(playlist id, num_recs):
    '''This function is for creating a cluster barchart that will
    and playlist '''
    # Get track data formatted for bar graph
    variance_bar = song_vs_playlist_comparison(playlist_id, num_r
    variance_bar = variance_bar.loc[:, (variance_bar != 0).any(ax
    variance bar = variance bar.drop(columns='sum difference')
    variance bar = variance bar.drop(columns=variance bar.iloc[:,
    size track = len(variance bar.columns)
    variance_bar = variance_bar.to_dict('records')[0]
    variance bar = dict(sorted(variance bar.items(), key=lambda i
    variance_bar_values = list(variance_bar.values())
    variance_bar_columns = {k.title() for k in variance_bar.keys(
    variance_bar_columns = list(variance_bar_columns)
    x = np.arange(len(variance bar columns)) # the label locatio
    width = 0.35 # the width of the bars
    # Create plot for clustered bar graph
    fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(30,15), facecolor='white')
    ax.bar(range(len(variance_bar_columns)), height=variance_bar_
    ax.set_xlabel('Feature', fontsize=30)
    ax.set_ylabel('Difference (min: -1; max: 1)', fontsize=20)
    ax.set title('Features Comparison: Playlist vs. Recommended T
    ax.set xticklabels(variance bar columns, fontsize=20, rotation
    ax.legend(loc="lower right")
    ax.legend(fontsize=20)
    plt.ylim(-1,1)
    plt.axhline(y=0,color='black')
    ax.set_xticks(x)
```

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sns.set context('poster')
    plt.savefig('Visualizations/songvsplaylist'+str(playlist id)+
    return plt.show()
# Genre population breakdown by playlist
def playlist_genre_breakdown(playlist_id):
    playlist_pie_chart_df = playlist_pie_chart
    row_number = playlist_pie_chart_df.index.get_loc(playlist_id)
    playlist pie chart df = playlist pie chart df.iloc[row number
    playlist_pie_chart_df = playlist_pie_chart_df.loc[:, (playlis
    playlist_pie_chart_df = playlist_pie_chart_df.loc[:, ~(playli
    rows = playlist_pie_chart_df.shape[1]
    playlist_pie_chart_values = np.reshape(playlist_pie_chart_df.
    playlist_pie_chart_labels = playlist_pie_chart_df.columns.tol
    playlist_pie_chart_labels = [label.title() for label in playl
    playlist pie chart labels = [label[12:-1] for label in playli
    fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(20,10),facecolor='white')
    sns.set context('poster')
    ax.pie(playlist_pie_chart_values, labels=playlist_pie_chart_la
    ax.set_title('Song Genre in Playlist (Most Common)',fontsize=
    plt.savefig('Visualizations/PlaylistGenreBreakdown'+str(playl
    return fig, ax
```

How can I review results when there aren't many metrics available for content-based filtering? First, I will review the overall features for our selected playlist and compare them to the top track selected by our recommendation system for reasonableness. Second, I will plot the feature scores against each other to visualize the magnitude of difference between the average playlist scores and the top recommended song. Lastly, I will listen to a selection of 3 songs on each playlist, and then I will listen to and analyze the tracks provided by our recommendation system to subjectively determine whether I think they could belong on the playlist.

Playlist #102585 Reasonableness Test

Thank you for inputting your playlist. Please see playlist tracks below:

track_uri track_name artist_name album_name
pos

0	67WTwafOMgegV6ABnBQxcE	Some Nights	fun.	Some Nights
1	6Ep6BzIOB9tz3P4sWqiiAB	Radioactive	Imagine Dragons	Night Visions
2	4wCmqSrbyCgxEXROQE6vtV	Somebody That I Used To Know	Gotye	Making Mirrors
3	5j9iuo3tMmQIfnEEQOOjxh	Best Day Of My Life	American Authors	Oh, What A Life
4	6cpk00i5TxCqSeqNi2Hule	One More Night	Maroon 5	Overexposed Track By Track
137	1YGvv0iH1TEjMrp0oRPB5a	Louder Than Your Love	Andy Black	The Shadow Side
137 138	1YGvv0iH1TEjMrp0oRPB5a 1DtLl0k0zMrFqcW0pquxpf	Louder Than Your Love Broken Pieces	Andy Black Andy Black	The Shadow Side The Shadow Side
	, ,		•	
138	1DtLl0k0zMrFqcW0pquxpf	Broken Pieces	Andy Black	The Shadow Side

142 rows × 4 columns

Here are 5 tracks that might fit this playlist:

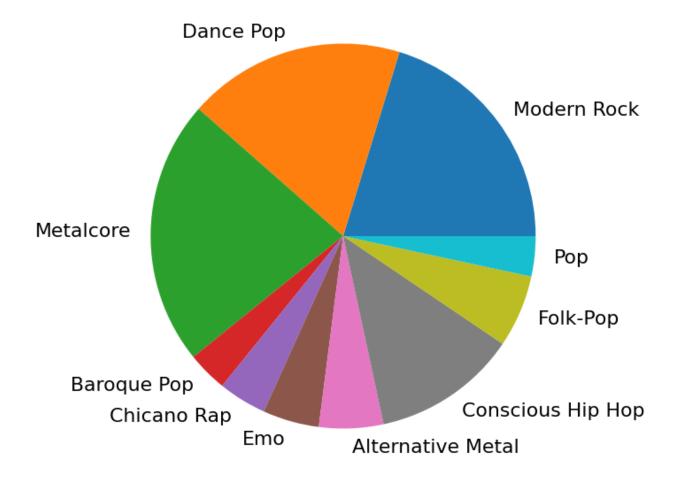
	track_uri	track_name	artist_name	album_name				
0	3s5ogvexUgA6XjNj37zpnP	Piledriver waltz	Alex Turner	Submarine - Original Songs From The Film By Al				
1	57LTVY8oPSGy2a7c8SzJpD	What Goes Around	Alesana	Punk Goes Pop, Vol. 2				
2	0fiB5cRA2IngpF06X1Ou4u	Bang Bang You're Dead	Dirty Pretty Things	Waterloo To Anywhere				
3	5lDriBxJd22lhOH9zTcFrV	Dirty Little Secret	The All- American Rejects	Move Along				
4	0X0Lz7LwpilWcdGqVWaxXD	Mess Around	Cage The Elephant	Tell Me I'm Pretty				
(N	(None None None None)							

Out[67]: (None, None, None, None)

In [68]: 1 check_duplicates(102585,5)

No duplicates being recommended!

Song Genre in Playlist (Most Common)



In [70]:

Call function for variance
song_vs_playlist_comparison(102585,5)

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method=method,

Out [70]:

	acousticness	danceability	energy	genre_1_21st century classical	genre_1_a cappella	genre_1_abstract beats	genre_1_a I
0	0.115059	0.162003	-0.050844	0.0	0.125	0.0	

1 rows × 511 columns

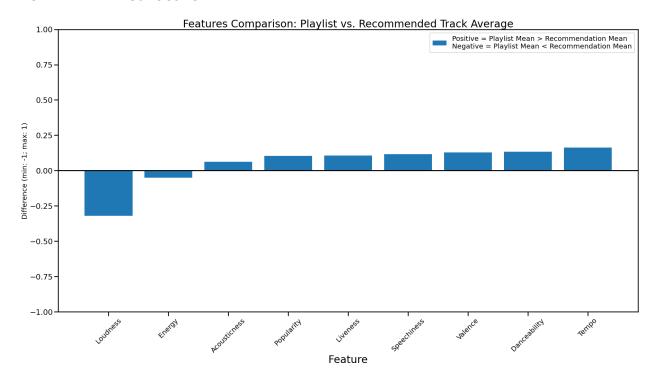
In [71]:

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# Call function for graphical comparison
song_vs_playlist_visual_comparison(102585,5)
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method=method,

/opt/anaconda3/envs/learn-env/lib/python3.6/site-packages/ipykernel_l
auncher.py:129: UserWarning: FixedFormatter should only be used toget
her with FixedLocator



As we can see above, the aggregate difference between our recommended songs and our playlist average is 14, which is driven mainly by the genre data. This metric is only useful when compared to other aggregate differences, so I will analyze when I review another playlist. While it can be argued that our genre data is so specific that it is dominating our model, I personally think the specificity of the genre helps us narrow our recommendations down to suggest more accurate songs.

Looking at our visualization, for the most part it appears that our features for our recommendations are comparable to the playlist, with Tempo driving the main difference.

Now for the sound test. I will document my subjective findings below:

Some Nights, Radioactive, and Somebody That I Used to Know were all hits around 2013, and I personally have listened to these songs already. My description of Radioactive is an arena rock, bass thumping anthem that brings a high level of intensity. Some Nights and Somebody That I Used to Know are more chill and have a very nostaglic sound to them.

For our recommendations, What Goes Around..., Bang Bang You're Dead, Dirty Little Secret and Mess Around are all alternative/rock sounding tracks, whereas Piledriver Waltz is definitely more on the chill side.

Overall, based on our genre analysis and feature comparison, I would deem that these 5 recommended songs pass the reasonableness test.

Playlist #765 Reasonableness Test

In [72]: | 1 | spotify_recommendation(765,10)

Thank you for inputting your playlist. Please see playlist tracks below:

	track_uri	track_name	artist_name	album_name
pos				
0	03xWMkKEbeO4SnylA53ipj	When Will My Life Begin - From "Tangled"/Sound	Mandy Moore	Tangled
1	1IOSxJNCLvWm2bYaTcTSmK	Mother Knows Best - From "Tangled"/Soundtrack	Donna Murphy	Tangled
2	0TCt7OFRdD8PQ6vTRQxNgQ	I've Got a Dream - From "Tangled"/Soundtrack V	Mandy Moore	Tangled
3	6klpXs2uAjagnZMFkt4qkl	I See the Light - From "Tangled"/Soundtrack Ve	Mandy Moore	Tangled

4	75VVIB2x1h6BfxD2PqOO57	Healing Incantation - From "Tangled"/Soundtrac	Mandy Moore	Tangled
76	6FHUBs8P5qcjpj7C2QHdEq	Tulou Tagaloa	Olivia Foa'i	Moana
77	3ZJnc1eGicPxRitBoC7eWZ	An Innocent Warrior	Vai Mahina	Moana
78	2bwSCluNtVrQPVddCi8sOW	Where You Are	Christopher Jackson	Moana
79	3C4WmF4klgfmb6GzW8DEdX	We Know The Way - From "Moana"	Opetaia Foa'i	We Know The Way
80	2wCRJwiL1WSrW0Dwfco7Nj	Know Who You Are	Auli'i Cravalho	Moana

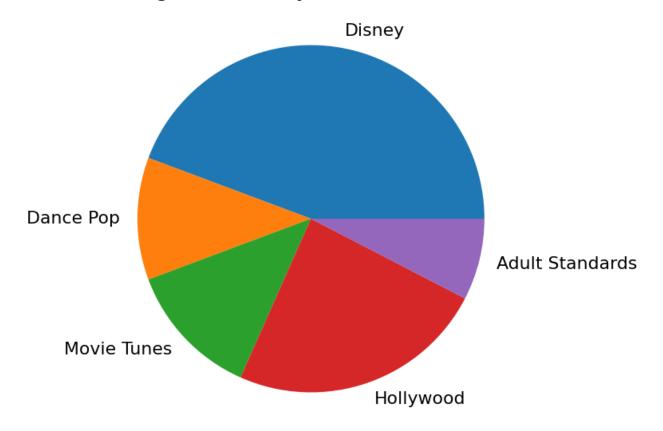
81 rows × 4 columns

Here are 10 tracks that might fit this playlist:

	track_uri	track_name	artist_name	album_name
0	7wjiMdiSgsL9Vkrwb10Num	On My Way	Phil Collins	Brother Bear
1	2stkLJ0JNcXkIRDNF3ld6c	You've Got A Friend In Me - From "Toy Story"/	Randy Newman	Toy Story
2	0odlT9B9BvOCnXfS0e4lB5	Bette Davis Eyes	Kim Carnes	Mistaken Identity
3	2s6wCS3vDZFPY9NOTIPXJZ	Take Me Home - 2016 Remastered	Phil Collins	No Jacket Required (Remastered)
4	4LCywJRtsZfr5qEJ2ckrTw	Tornado	Lea Michele	Places
5	27mSYFYTli1K3eXMWMmZVZ	The Rendezvous (feat. Madi Diaz)	Rob Cantor	Not a Trampoline
6	0qxtQ8rf3W1nld3D2r0xH4	I Just Can't Wait to Be King - From "The Lion	Jason Weaver	The Lion King
7	7G061Oqw7NXFr1NDTpXol4	Happy Working Song - From "Enchanted"/Soundtra	Amy Adams	Enchanted
8	6mDxu0xwhv5tn1oMTNUypu	Something There	Robby Benson	Beauty and the Beast
9	0QKHM0vKGZcgRpryeqtYkG	The Chipmunk Song	Alvin & The Chipmunks	Alvin & The Chipmunks / OST

Out[72]: (None, None, None, None)

Song Genre in Playlist (Most Common)



In [75]: 1 song_vs_playlist_comparison(765,10)

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method=method,

Out [75]:

	acousticness	danceability	energy	century classical	genre_1_a cappella	genre_1_abstract beats	genre_1_ab hi
0	0.326452	-0.284049	-0.29488	0.0	0.0	0.0	

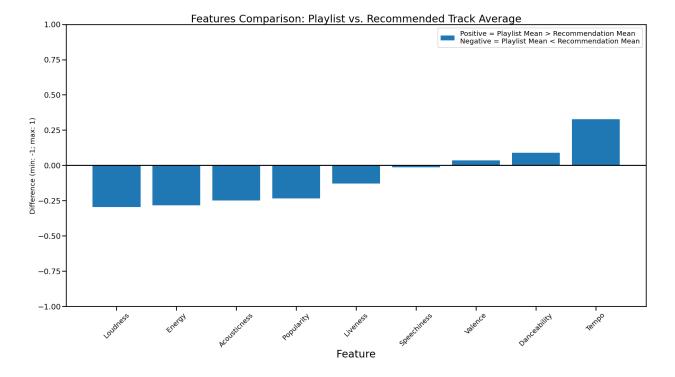
1 rows × 511 columns

In [76]: 1 song_vs_playlist_visual_comparison(765,10)

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method=method,

/opt/anaconda3/envs/learn-env/lib/python3.6/site-packages/ipykernel_l
auncher.py:129: UserWarning: FixedFormatter should only be used toget
her with FixedLocator



In [77]:

unwrapped_track_data[unwrapped_track_data['pid']==765].head(50)

Out [77]:

	pos	track_uri	track_name	artist_name	
1791	0	03xWMkKEbeO4SnylA53ipj	When Will My Life Begin - From "Tangled"/Sound	Mandy Moore	2LJxr7Pt3JnP6
1792	1	1IOSxJNCLvWm2bYaTcTSmK	Mother Knows Best - From "Tangled"/Soundtrack 	Donna Murphy	5BuTOT6mPoNZ5
1793	2	0TCt7OFRdD8PQ6vTRQxNgQ	I've Got a Dream - From "Tangled"/Soundtrack V	Mandy Moore	2LJxr7Pt3JnP6
1794	3	6klpXs2uAjagnZMFkt4qkl	I See the Light - From "Tangled"/Soundtrack Ve	Mandy Moore	2LJxr7Pt3JnP6
1795	4	75VVIB2x1h6BfxD2PqOO57	Healing Incantation - From "Tangled"/Soundtrac	Mandy Moore	2LJxr7Pt3JnP6

As we can see above, the aggregate difference between our recommended songs and our playlist average is 6, which is driven mainly by the genre data. Most of our songs here are Disney/Soundtrack, so there seems to be little variation here. This aggregate difference is better than our first playlist, although it seems our features may be offsetting some of that difference.

Looking at our visualization, for the most part it appears all of the features are comparable, with teempo, energy, popularity, loudness and danceability having the largest difference. Seeing that the general theme of this playlist seems to be soundtrack for childrens movies, I believe that genre is the most important driver of the recommender here, and it seems like our genre hit the mark.

Now for the sound test. I will document my subjective findings below:

As we can see from our selection of songs, they all seem to be Disney songs from Moana and Tangled. I would expect that our recommendation system would suggest other kids songs accross childrens movies. After pulling more songs from the unwrapped track data, I can confirm that there are some songs that are not Disney.

For our recommendations, all 10 songs appear to be soundtrack songs, which is great, and they are all mainly from beloved kids movies. Because it seems like kids movies is the main category for this playlist, I will deem this recommendation adequate.

Overall, I would deem that these 10 recommended songs pass the reasonableness test.

Playlist #160101 Reasonableness Test

In [78]:

spotify_recommendation(160101,5)

Thank you for inputting your playlist. Please see playlist tracks below:

	track_uri	track_name	artist_name	album_name
pos				
0	4w3dm0pGQ9otu7cG5uWy88	Not Just a Girl	She Wants Revenge	Valleyheart
1	37r6i0GTqgR05rGe5wNhmp	When They Fight, They Fight	Generationals	Con Law
2	0grFc6klR3hxoHLcgCYsF4	Howlin' For You	The Black Keys	Brothers
3	6M23RkYPbVR91c4iWVNkcl	Changing	The Airborne Toxic Event	All At Once
4	5nHRIKsXDwUpse9gzrAxLR	Oxford Comma	Vampire Weekend	Vampire Weekend
202	6T9ZJ2cJbtF4eDapnRHCux	Death Valley	My Jerusalem	Preachers
203	2QVmiA93GVhWNTWQctyY1K	Outro	M83	Hurry Up, We're Dreaming
204	7raMTVKDjLfTAyfDXKlfrz	Beneath The Surface	Demons Of Ruby Mae	Beneath The Surface
205	6y88SnrCoqRDZs1WTjKlZc	You're Loved & I'm Hated	Christopher Tyng	Suits (Original Television Soundtrack)
206	3uvsVUrAaGQJCTEUR1S3Sx	Bare	WILDES	Bare

207 rows × 4 columns

Here are 5 tracks that might fit this playlist:

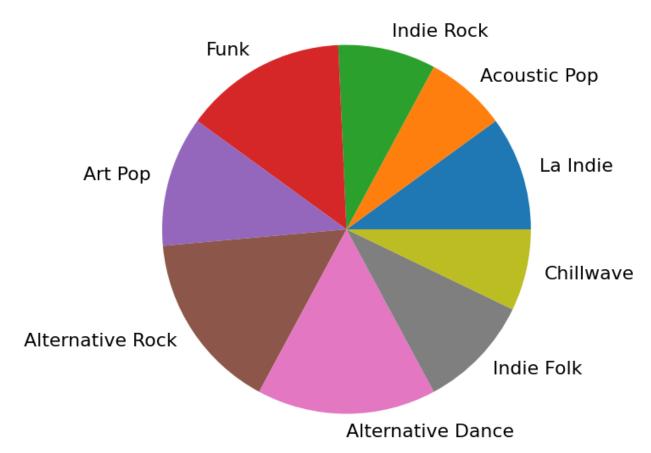
	track_uri	track_name	artist_name	album_name
0	6mHw0o12JUfDodSxMwp8TI	Caves	Haux	All We've Known
1	629Cjw0fUyZUMkBjnjttDR	Places	Shlohmo	Bad Vibes
2	2BvDTv6akKbiKLT6ol2NXp	Coast to Coast	Waxahatchee	Cerulean Salt

- 3 2ByM6ejiN2EERm2NmXlq5t Emerge From Smoke Shlohmo Dark Red
 4 2VvfTbJWcguP88dvnpH7hl Adult Diversion Alvvays Alvvays
- Out[78]: (None, None, None, None)
- In [79]: 1 check_duplicates(160101,5)

No duplicates being recommended!

- In [80]: 1 playlist_genre_breakdown(160101)

Song Genre in Playlist (Most Common)



In [81]: 1 song_vs_playlist_comparison(160101,5)

/opt/anaconda3/envs/learn-env/lib/python3.6/site-packages/pandas/core/generic.py:2615: UserWarning: The spaces in these column names will not be changed. In pandas versions < 0.14, spaces were converted to underscores.

method=method,

Out[81]:

	acousticness	danceability	energy	genre_1_21st century classical	genre_1_a cappella	genre_1_abstract beats	genre_1_a I
0	0.234817	0.033102	-0.027902	0.0	0.0	0.0	

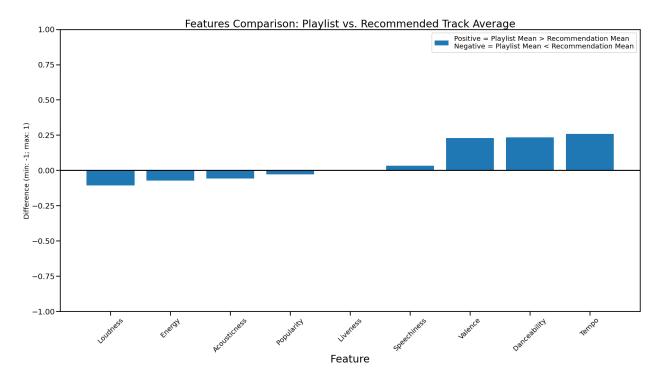
1 rows × 511 columns

In [82]: 1 song_vs_playlist_visual_comparison(160101,5)

/opt/anaconda3/envs/learn-env/lib/python3.6/site-packages/pandas/core/generic.py:2615: UserWarning: The spaces in these column names will not be changed. In pandas versions < 0.14, spaces were converted to underscores.

method=method,

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auncher.py:129: UserWarning: FixedFormatter should only be used toget
her with FixedLocator



As we can see above, the aggregate difference between our recommendations and our playlist data is pretty large, at 44. I believe this is driven by our genre data, as it is very evenly spread our across multiple genres

According to our feature visualization, our differences are very minimal compared to the other playlists. The largest differences are Speechiness, Acousticness and Energy.

Now for the sound test. I will document my subjective findings below:

From our playlist, I already recognize M83, the Black Keys and Vampire Weekend. Outro by M83 is very spacy and slow, whereas Howlin' For You is more uptempo and rock themed. Oxford Comma is also uptempo and kind of spaced out, but overall sounds chill. Not Just a Girl is slower paced, but also sounds like alt-rock overall. For our recommendations, I would expect chiller alt-rock that is slower in pace and has mostly fleshed out instrumentals.

For our recommendations, I recognize none of the songs. Caves, Coast to Coast and Diversion are very Indie sounding, somewhat Alternative. The two songs by Shlohmo are dance-like, and sound more electronic. They are also instrumentals. Outro by M83 fits a similar vibe to these songs.

This playlist seems like there is more variety between the genres, and as such, my recommendations also seem varied. However, due to the feature difference being relatively small, and due to the genres fitting the broad scope of the playlist, I deem these recommendations sufficient.

Section 5: Results

To summarize: using cosine similarity, I was able to successfully create a recommendation system using a selection of data from the Spotify Million Playlist Dataset. Overall, I have identified 3 potential drawbacks that might affect this model: 1. Suggesting songs from the same basket that the machine is learning from may create bias, 2. There are few metrics to assess our system, which makes it harder to determine the broader success of the model, 3. I analyzed the model using subjectivity. Tastes can be very different and subjectivity begets bias, as well. With these in mind, however, I beleive that this recommendation system is adequate at suggesting similar songs based on our tests in the results section.

As shown in the results section, our music recommendations seem to be driven mainly by the genre. Extracting Genre data from Spotipy provided us with very specific genre data that might've been able to isolate our list to a very select handful of songs. It then used the audio features and popularity vectors to differentiate the songs when it came to using cosine similarity.

I believe some good improvements to this project would be to source more general genre data if it is eventually made available as an export from Spotipy. As I had to manually export the data from Spotipy usng different means, it is hard to tell how accurate the genre data actually is. I would also like to include information on the year released, in case a playlist is related to a certain year, for example, 2013s hits. I would also like user-review data that shows how much a user liked a song, so I could try a collaborative-based filtering approach. Another thing I would like to do is research other forms of content-based recommendation systems, perhaps some form of clustering. Lastly, if I had a faster computer I would include all of the playlists in my analysis to capture more songs for my recommendation system.