

Project Members and Advisor

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Project Abstract

The most popular music listening, and recommendation apps are Apple Music and Spotify. The former uses listening history and similarity to other users' tastes to recommend music, and the latter analyzes a song's rhythm and structure. Both do not ask users to specify their definition of "similarity" - by artists, years, and/or genres, etc. This project aims to provide better suggestions by doing so.

User Interface

The UI consists of four main components:

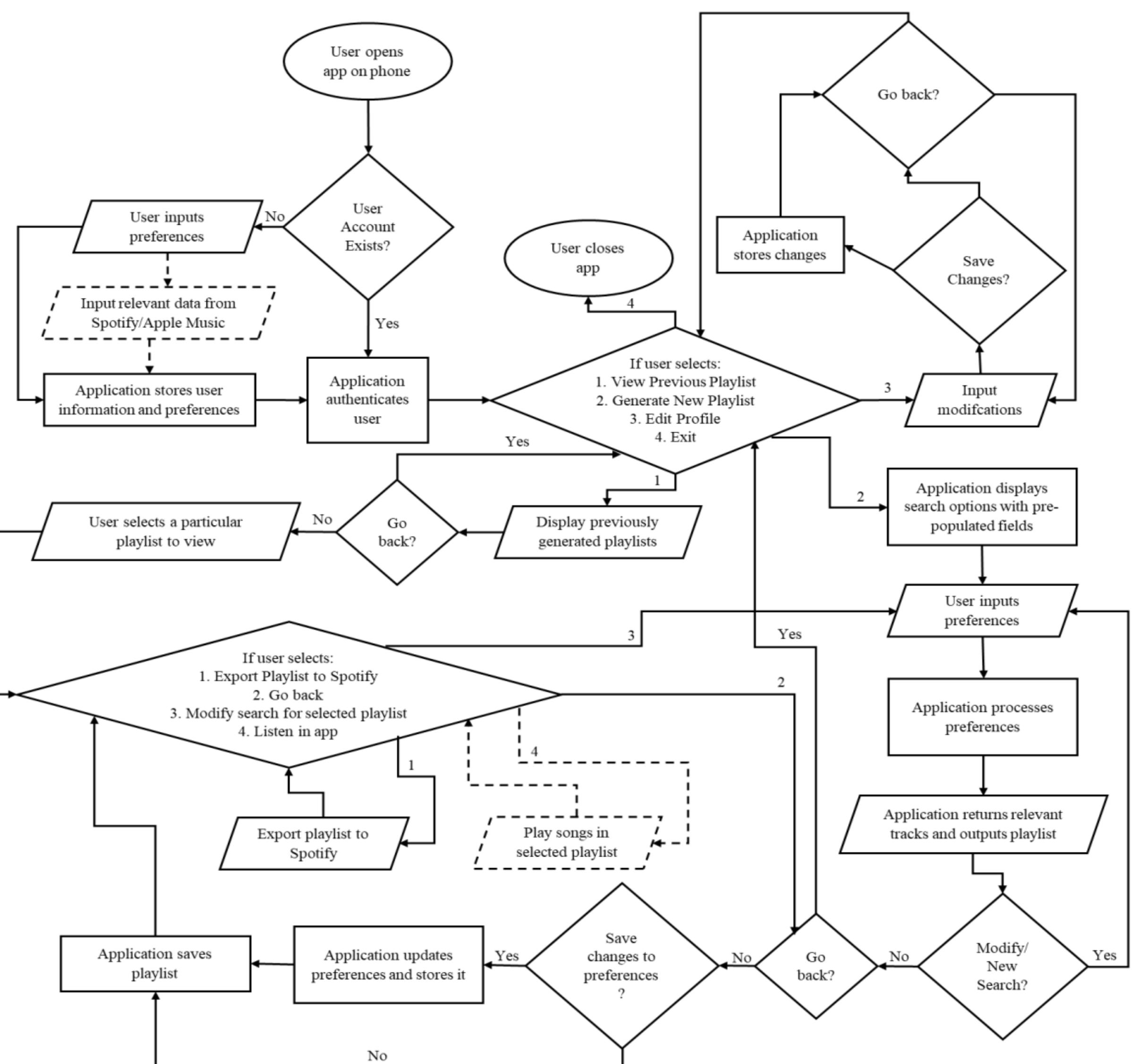
- Sign Up/Login:** A form for entering credentials (Username, Email, Password) with 'Register' and 'Login' buttons.
- Generate Playlist:** A form for creating a playlist with fields for Song Title, Artist, Year, Number of Tracks, Genres (pop, rock, indie, metal), Themes (Heartbreak, Inspirational, Motivational, Melancholic), and Advanced Search parameters (Popularity, Danceability, Energy, Louness, Speechiness, Acoustics, Instrumentalness, Liveness, Valence, Tempo).
- Dashboard:** A summary page with links for 'Modify Old Search', 'New Search', 'Edit Profile', and 'Logout'.
- Search Results:** A table displaying search results for 'BUNDING LIGHTS' by 'The Weeknd' (pop, Not Available, 2020.0). Other results include 'MANN MERA', 'SUMMER HIGH', 'UNDER THE INFLUENCE', and 'STARBOY'.

Technologies Used

- Programming Languages** – Python, HTML/CSS/JavaScript, SQLite
- APIs** – Flask, NumPy, Pandas, Matplotlib, scikit-learn, Bootstrap 4, jQuery.

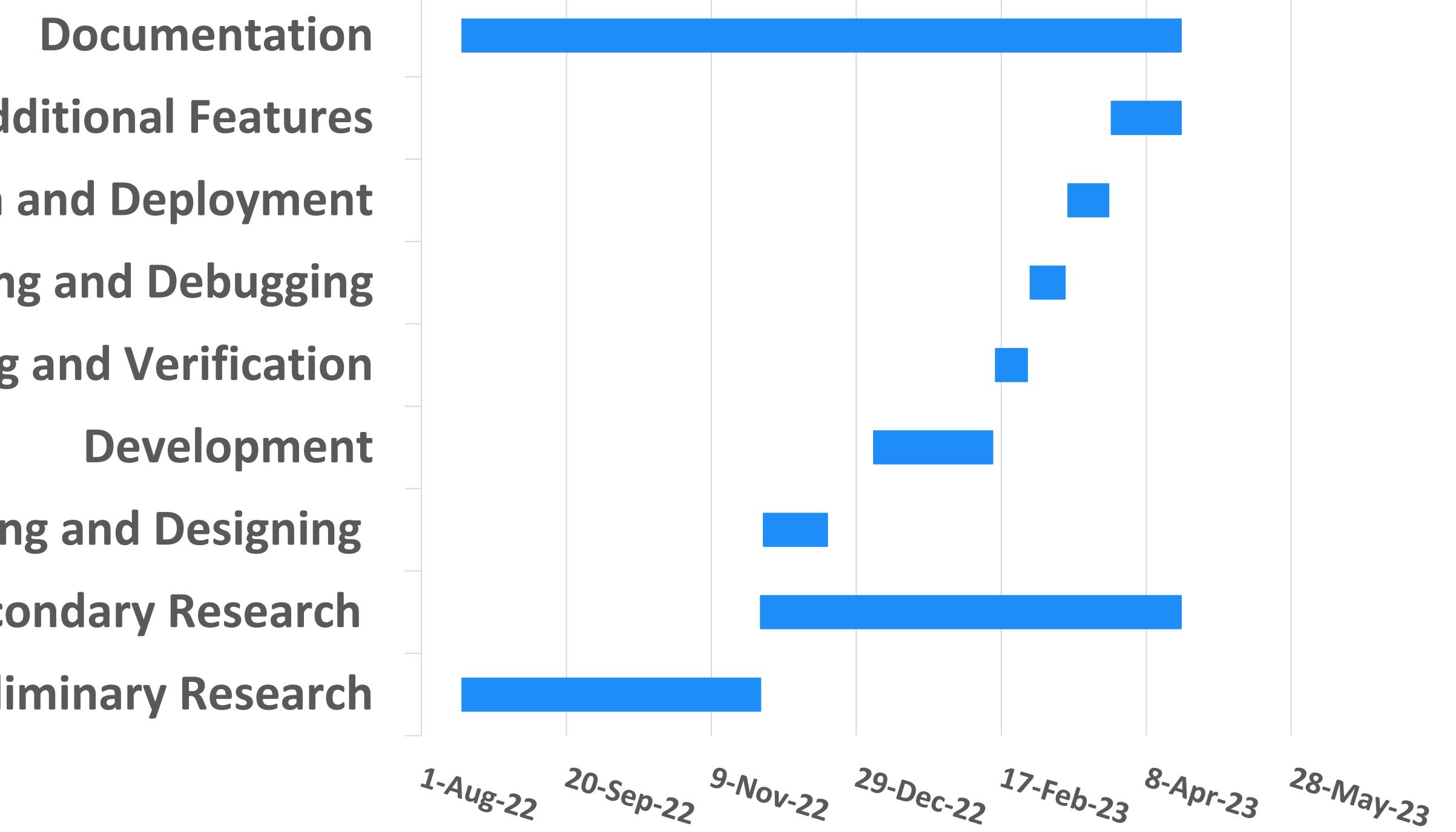


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Timeline of Project Phases



Total Days

248

Total Hours

281

Results

- Successful implementation of a **Flask application**.
- Effectively find music based on a variety of parameters, including artist, year, and song title.
- At least **10 songs/query** on average.
- 70 % median accuracy**.
- 0.092 seconds/query**.

Challenges

Data Cleaning – Kaggle datasets posed data cleaning challenges in a project despite providing valuable information, requiring special attention to ensure data quality and consistency.

Technical Knowledge and Time - The app's frontend was built with Ionic for Android and its backend with Flask, but complications led to a switch to a lighter Flask app, while the challenge of mastering musical terms arose for accurate music categorization and personalized recommendations.

Diversity and Cultural Challenges- Music, with its varied cultural influences such as language and instrumentation, encompasses diverse genres unique to geographical, ethnic, religious, or linguistic groups, making it unfeasible to develop a comprehensive solution applicable to all types of music.