

Frontend Development with React.js

Project Documentation for Rhythmic Tunes


1. Introduction

- **Project Title: Rhythmic Tunes**

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2. Project Overview

- **Purpose:**

Rhythmic Tunes is a web application designed to provide users with a seamless music listening experience. The application allows users to browse, search, and play music tracks, create playlists, and discover new music based on their preferences.

- **Features:**

- Music player with play, pause, skip, and volume control.
- Search functionality to find songs, albums, and artists.
- User authentication (login/signup).
- Playlist creation and management.
- Responsive design for mobile and desktop.

3. Architecture

- **Component Structure:**

The application is built using React.js with a component-based architecture. Major components include:

- **Header:** Contains the navigation bar and search bar.
 - **Player:** Music player controls (play, pause, volume, etc.).
 - **Sidebar:** Displays user playlists and navigation links.
 - **HomePage:** Displays featured tracks, recommended playlists, and new releases.
 - **SearchPage:** Allows users to search for songs, albums, and artists.
 - **PlaylistPage:** Displays user-created playlists and allows playlist management.
 - **State Management:**
The application uses **Redux** for global state management. The Redux store manages user authentication, current playing track, playlist data, and search results.
 - **Routing:**
The application uses **React Router** for navigation. Routes include:
 - `/`: Home page
 - `/search`: Search page
 - `/playlist/:id`: Playlist details page
 - `/login`: User login page
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4. Setup Instructions

- **Prerequisites:**
 - Node.js (v16 or higher)
 - npm (v8 or higher)
 - Git
- **Installation:**
 1. Clone the repository: `git clone https://github.com/unm115u22cs138/Rythmic-tunes`
 2. Navigate to the client directory: `cd rhythmic-tunes/client`
 3. Install dependencies: `npm install`
 4. Configure environment variables: Create a `.env` file in the client directory and add the necessary variables (e.g., API keys).
 5. Start the development server: `npm start`

5. FolderStructure

- **Client:**
 - **src/components:**#Reusablecomponents(Header,Player,etc.)
 - **src/pages:**#Pagecomponents(HomePage,SearchPage,etc.)
 - **src/assets:**#Images,icons,andotherstaticfiles
 - **src/redux:**#Reduxstore,actions,andreducers
 - **src/utlis:**#Utilityfunctionsandhelpers
 - **App.js:**#Mainapplicationcomponent
 - **index.js:**#Entrypoint
- **Utilities:**
 - **api.js:**HandlesAPIrequeststothebackend.
 - **auth.js:**Managesuserauthenticationandtokenstorage.
 - **hooks/usePlayer.js:**Customhookformanagingthemusicplayerstate.

6. RunningtheApplication

Frontend:

- Tostartthefrontendserver,runthefollowingcommandintheclientdirectory: npm start
- npm install
- npx json-server./db/db.json
- npm run dev
- Theapplicationwillbeavailableathttp://localhost:3000

7. ComponentDocumentation

- **KeyComponents:**
 - **Header:**Displaysthenavigationbarandsearchbar.
 - Props: onSearch(functiontohandlesearchqueries).
 - **Player:**Controlsthemusicplayback.
 - Props: currentTrack(objectcontainingtrack details), onPlay, onPause, onSkip.

- **PlaylistCard**: Displays a playlist with its name and cover image.
 - Props: `playlist` (object containing playlist details), `onClick` (function to handle playlist selection).
 - **ReusableComponents**:
 - **Button**: A customizable button component.
 - Props: `text`, `onClick`, `disabled`.
 - **Input**: A reusable input field for forms and search.
 - Props: `type`, `placeholder`, `value`, `onChange`.
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8. State Management

- **Global State**:

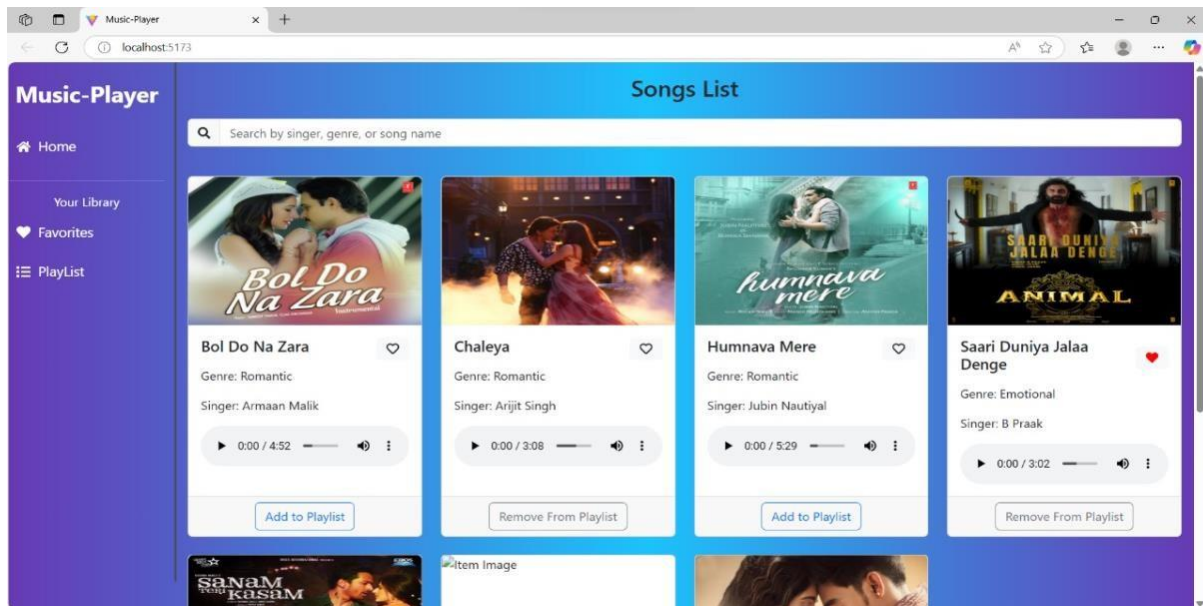
The Redux store manages the following global states:

 - **user**: Current authenticated user.
 - **player**: Current playing track, playback status (playing/paused), and volume.
 - **playlists**: User-created playlists.
 - **searchResults**: Results from the search functionality.
 - **Local State**:

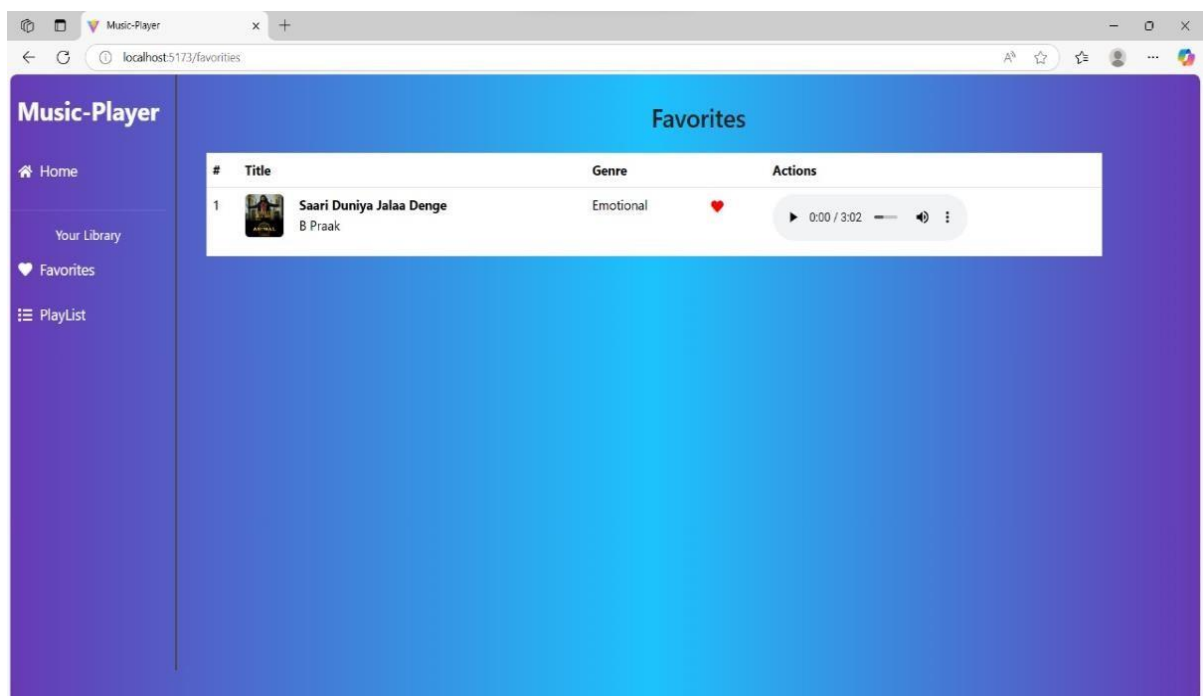
Local state is managed using React's `useState` hook within components. For example, the `SearchPage` component manages the search query input locally.
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9. User Interface

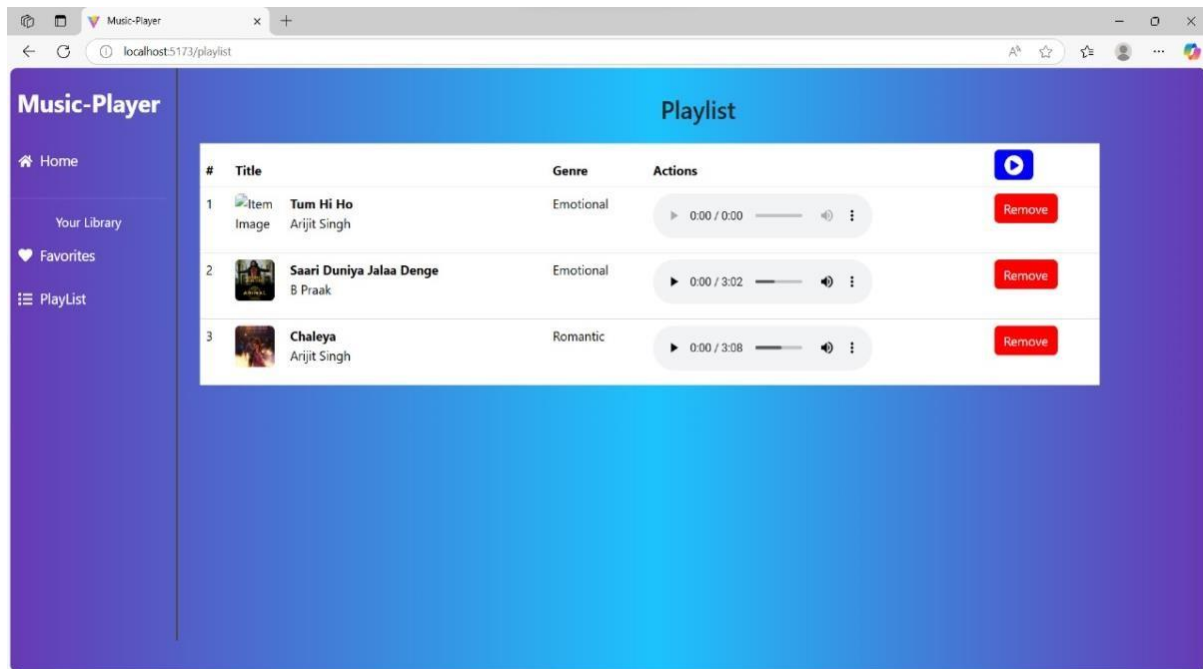
- **Screenshots**
 - **HomePage**: Display featured tracks and recommended playlists.



- **SearchPage:** Allows users to search for songs, albums, and artists.



- **PlaylistPage:** Displays user-created playlists and allows playlist management.



10. Styling

- **CSS Frameworks/Libraries:**
The application uses **Styled-Components** for styling. This allows for modular and scoped CSS within components.
- **Theming:**
A custom theme is implemented using **Styled-Components**, with support for light and dark modes.

11. Testing

- **Testing Strategy:**
 - **Unit Testing:** Using **Jest** and **React Testing Library**.
 - **Integration Testing:** Is performed to ensure that components work together as expected.
 - **End-to-End Testing:** **Cypress** is used for end-to-end testing of user flows.
- **Code Coverage:**
 - Code coverage is monitored using **Jest's** built-in coverage tool. The current coverage is 85%.

12. Screenshots or Demo

- **Demo Link:** <https://github.com/unm115u22cs138/Rythmic-tunes/commit/9ea9ad641eaca25607e3bc3ab5c0444a9ba9024b>

Screenshots: See section 9 for UI screenshots.

13. Known Issues

- **Issue1:** The music players sometimes skip tracks unexpectedly.
 - **Issue2:** The search functionality is slow with large datasets.
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14. Future Enhancements

- **Future Features:**
 - Add support for user profiles and social sharing.
 - Implement a recommendation engine for personalized music suggestions.
 - Add animations and transitions for a smoother user experience.
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This documentation provides a comprehensive overview of the **RhythmicTunes** project, including its architecture, setup instructions, and future plans.