

User Experience Design Course

DJX - Spotify Xpansion

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The IDEA! DJX - By Spotify

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- Personas
- Competitive Analysis

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- Sketches - The Journey
- Sketches - Whats' What!

Wireframing & Prototyping

- Wireframes
- Figma Demo (ask at meeting)

User Interface Design

- Style Guideline

THE IDEA

Provide an integrated DJ interface that is Spotify-specific. Instead of third party applications, this app will be in partnership with Spotify. It will be a cross-platform solution - desktop, mobile and tablet. It will be offered as an add-on service to Spotify for an additional monthly charge.

THE PROBLEM

The Problem: Music enthusiasts/home DJ's, who love to make music playlists and provide the music at parties & other events, do not have a low-cost, easy-to-use solution.

For these beginners, to take it to the next level, they would need to invest in a third party application, as well as invest in the additional cost of acquiring a music catalogue/library.

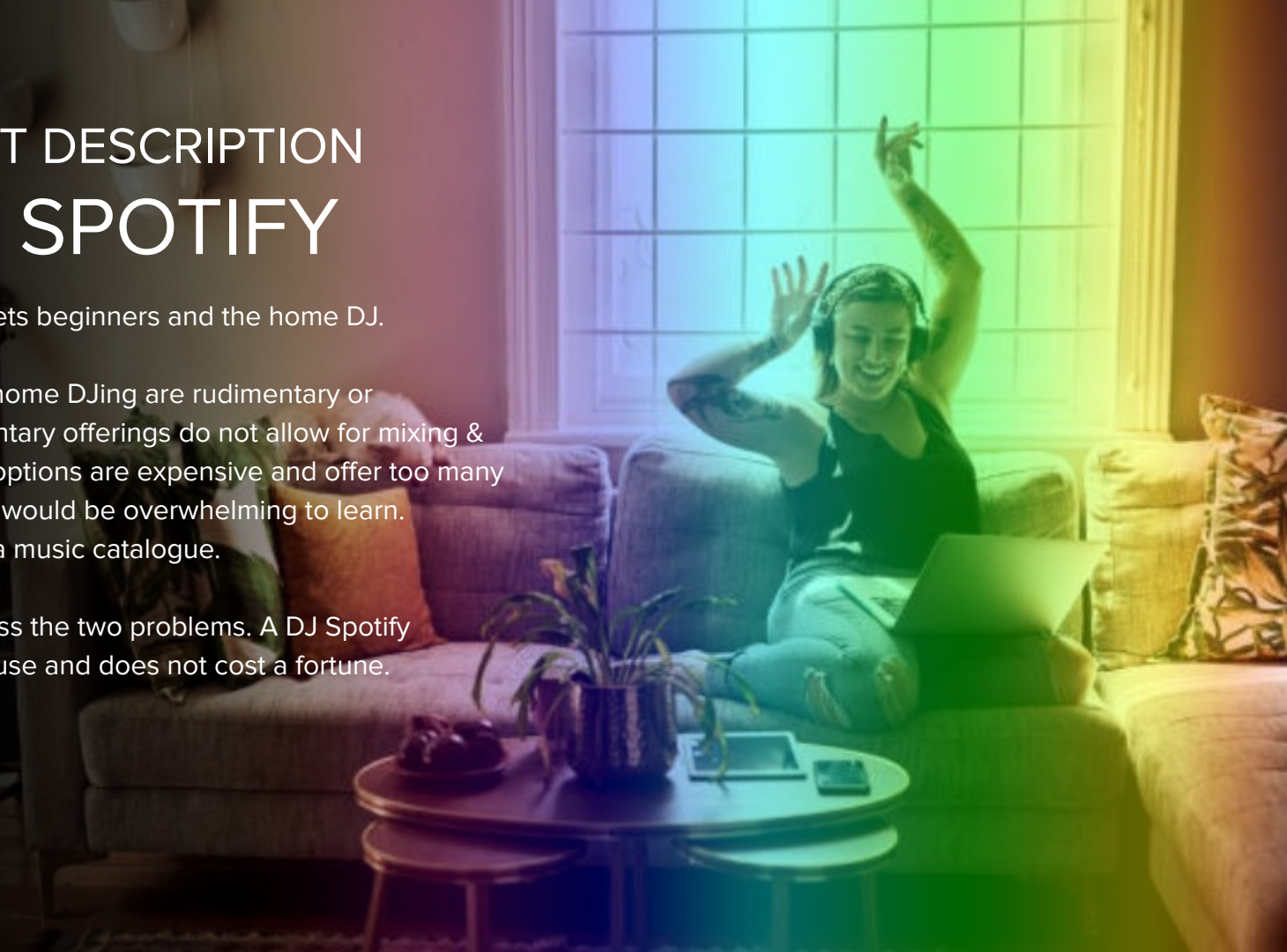
THE PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

DJX - BY SPOTIFY

A simple DJ app that targets beginners and the home DJ.

The current solutions for home DJing are rudimentary or professional. The rudimentary offerings do not allow for mixing & effects. The professional options are expensive and offer too many options for a beginner, so would be overwhelming to learn. They also do not include a music catalogue.

This product would address the two problems. A DJ Spotify integrated app is easy to use and does not cost a fortune.



THE USER INTERVIEWS



Product Research - DJX - survey

UX Design Project - Research questionnaire

How much do you know about DJ'ing?

- ☐ A ton - Beats and more beats
- ☐ Some - Is Tiesto still a thing?
- ☐ Not much but I'm DJ-curious
- ☐ Nothing, Nada!

What's the main set up when you play music at a party? ie: bluetooth speaker, sonos etc...

Your answer



The USER Interview

- Interviews took place over the internet and 2 have been in person.
- 37 users filled in an online questionnaire
- Users ranged from professional DJs to lay people, who although love music, have zero knowledge on how to DJ.
- Ages ranged from 15 - 55.

The USER Interviews - Insights

- Most did not know anything about DJing but they are DJ curious.
- 95% of users use Spotify as a streaming service.
- Most love the sharing ability of Spotify.
- Professional DJs did not like streaming services - quality & reliability issues.
- Limitations of needing to have wifi to stream.
- The ages of people interested ranged from 15 - 56.
- Younger users were quicker to pick and start using the app without asking for a tutorial.
- Everyone wanted a sharing option and a way to save what they created to use at a later date.

A low-angle, dark photograph of a crowd at a concert or festival. Numerous hands are raised in the air, some holding up smartphones to capture photos or videos. The scene is illuminated by vibrant blue and purple stage lights, creating a bokeh effect in the background. The overall atmosphere is energetic and celebratory.

The User Personas



Name
Seren Loo

Archetype
Type A

Persona quote:

Music changes a room.
I love watching people groove to what I make.

Age:

16

Location:

Toronto

Education:

High School

Occupation:

Student

Status:

N/A

Salary:

N/A

Personality Traits & Behaviours:

Extrovert



Intuitive



Perceptive



Empathetic



Bio:

Serene is a 16 year old student. He is bright, charming and has a love for music. He is an amature music producer. He love going to parties and spending time with his friends. He usually takes his music speaker with him everywhere.

Personal Goals / Other Adjectives:

A career in the music industry.
U of T business degree

Frustrations / Pain Points / Reservations:

Needs to be able to upload his own music as well as Spotify playlist

Finds it difficult to share his music with friends and others.

Needs an easier interface

Potential Solutions:

Investigate adding other music sources

Adding a sharing and community element



Name

Trixie Beever

Archetype

Perfectionists and Freespirited

Persona quote:

Nothing worse than when some people are bad at picking music for a party!

Age:

50ish

Location:

Toronto

Education:

University

Occupation:

Artist and Entrepreneurs

Status:

Married

Salary:

50-80k

Personality Traits & Behaviours:

Extrovert



Intuitive



Perceptive



Empathetic



Bio:

Trixie Beever - Work together as Trixie & Beever for many years, creating installations, performances, mixed-media art pieces and set designs.

Proudly queer women who love music and pop culture as they incorporate that into their art and design.

Personal Goals / Other Adjectives:

Entrepreneurs

Frustrations / Pain Points / Reservations:

When using the app. They understood the premise pretty quickly but still needed a tutorial and a step by step on how to use the app.

Sharing and exploring/discovering new music and other peoples mixes.

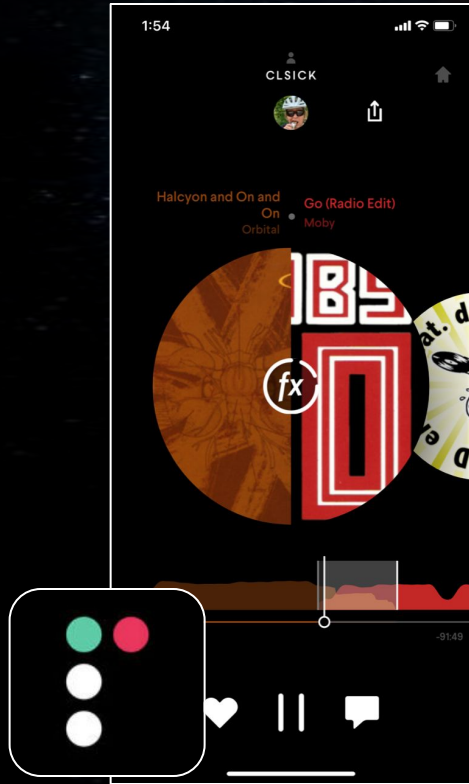
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Potential Solutions:

Create a tutorial video and fun was to make simple mixes as well as a sharing & community

Pair down the options

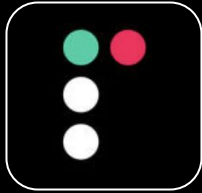
The Competitive Analysis



PaceMaker



The Competitive Analysis



PaceMaker

- Available for iPhone only
- Subscription offers zooming in and cropping the beginning and end of tracks only.
- Sharing mixes but only confined in Pacemaker community.
- Limited(free) and full version available
- Price point for full version is \$6.99 USD a month.
- Design is unusual. Not recognizable as a dj app. Confusing interface.
- Has built in AI that recognizes the end of songs and matched beats.
- No BPM reference for you to match your own songs.

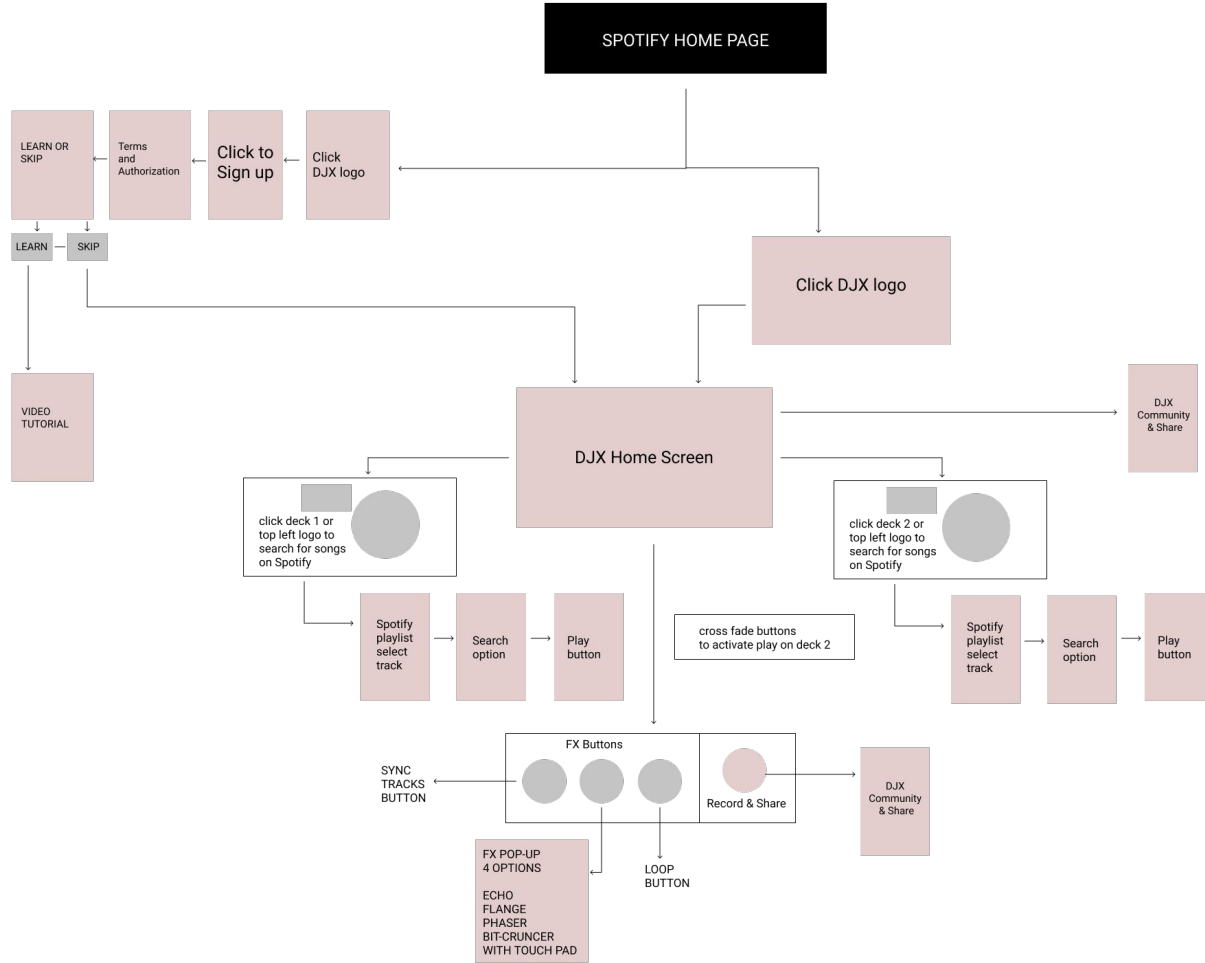


DJAY PRO AI

- Available for IOS on all platforms but primarily designed for the iPad
- Advanced AI.
- Able to use gestures and your iPad camera to control the app. (they developed a whole new set of gestures)
- Able to isolate vocals, drums etc for a more robust mixing experience.
- No share option
- Streaming services do not include Spotify (lost the license in July)
- Not for beginners.
- \$7.00USD per month \$50.00USD per year

The Information Architecture



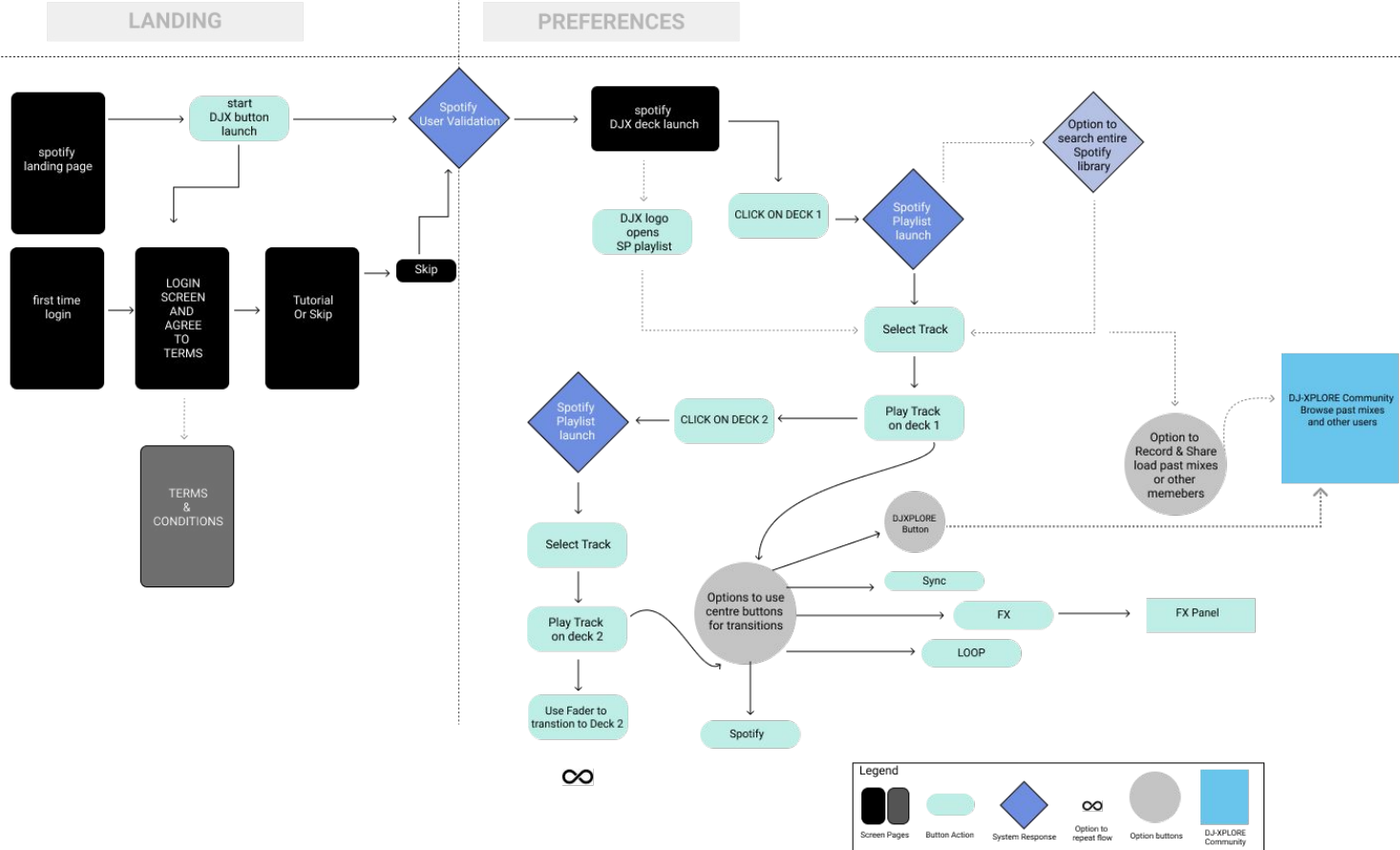


THE USER FLOW





DJX USER FLOW

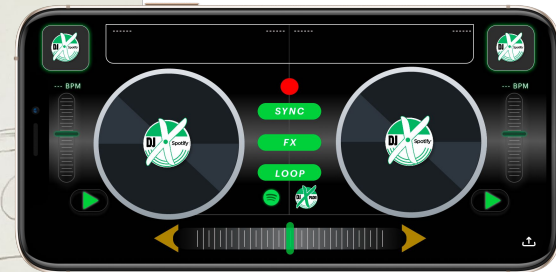
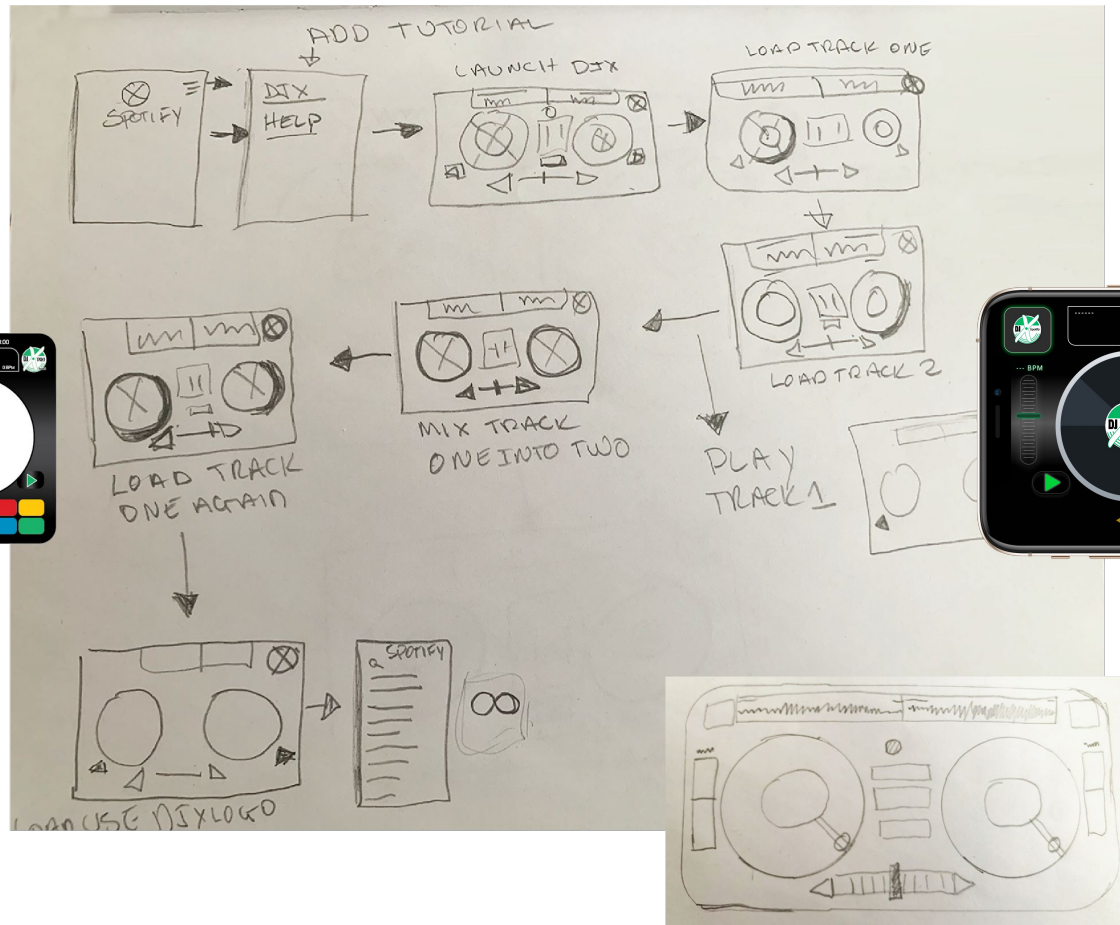


The Sketches





Preliminary designs and thumbnail sketches that ended with a dj deck that's relatable and easy to use.





Current song playing

Time left on track

Record session

Button to load songs and search

Sound wave

Button to load songs and search

Song BPM

Manual BPM adjustment dial

Deck one Artwork of song loads

Play button

Time left on track indicator

Track fader buttons left

Quick launch Spotify

Track fader dial/indicator

Track fader - Music fades from Track 1 - 2

Launch DJXPLORE Community. Where your old sets are stored and you browse/play other users mixes

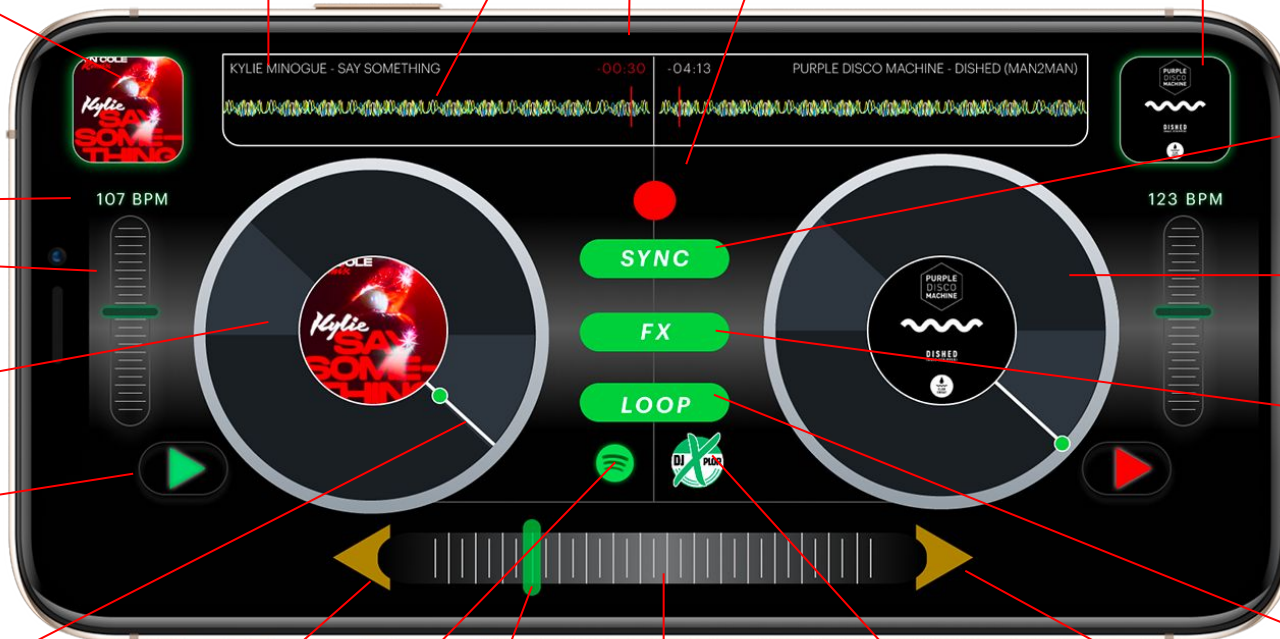
Syncs BPM between tracks

Deck two Artwork of song loads

Launches FX panel With touch pad

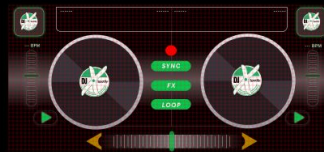
Loops beats 1b, 2b, 3b, 4b, 1/2B

Track fader buttons right



WIREFRAMES

DJX LANDING



DJX loading spotify



DJX Sharing



DJX TRACK LOADING - DECK 1



DJX TRACK LOADING - DECK2a



DJX TRACK LOADING - DECK 2



DJX - SYNC Button Status



DJX - Loop Button Status



DJX - FX Button Status-1



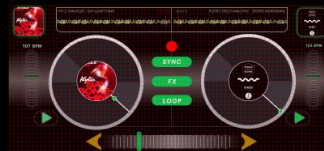
DJX - FX Button Status-2



DJX TRACK LOADING - FINAL DECK



DJX TRACK PLAY FUNCTION

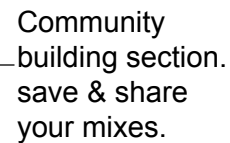
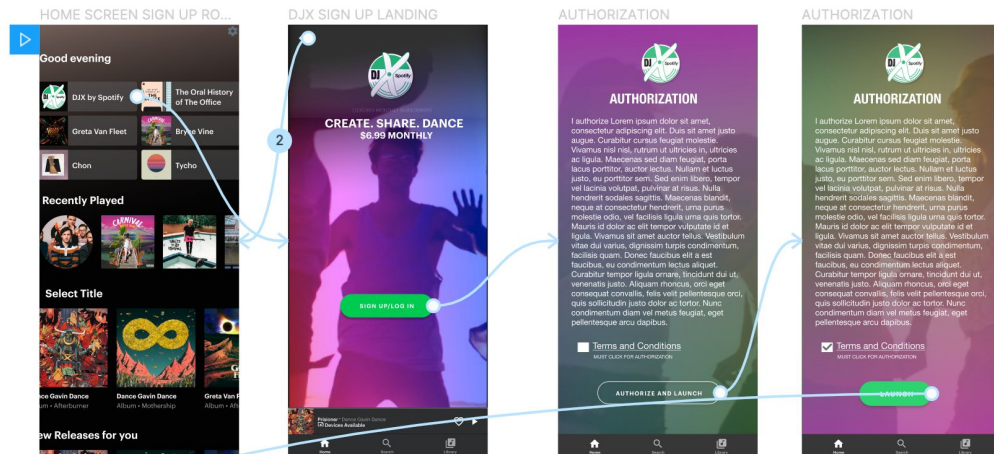


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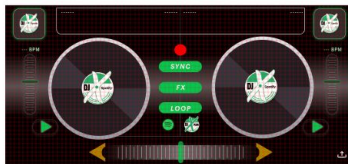


DJX TRACK PLAY FUNCTION LEFT

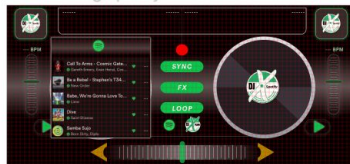




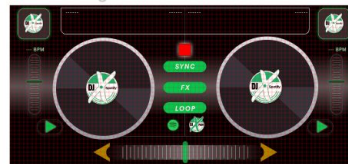
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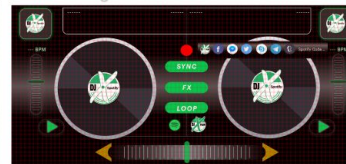
DJX loading spotify



DJX Sharing



DJX Sharing 2



DJX TRACK LOADING - DECK 1



DJX TRACK LOADING - DECK2a



DJX TRACK LOADING - DECK 2



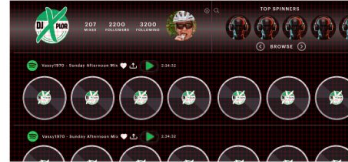
DJX - SYNC Button Status



DJX - Loop Button Status



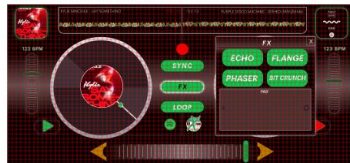
DJX Sharing 3



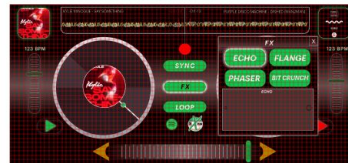
DJX - FX Button Status-1



DJX - FX Button Status-2



DJX - FX Button Status-3



DJX TRACK PLAY FUNCTION

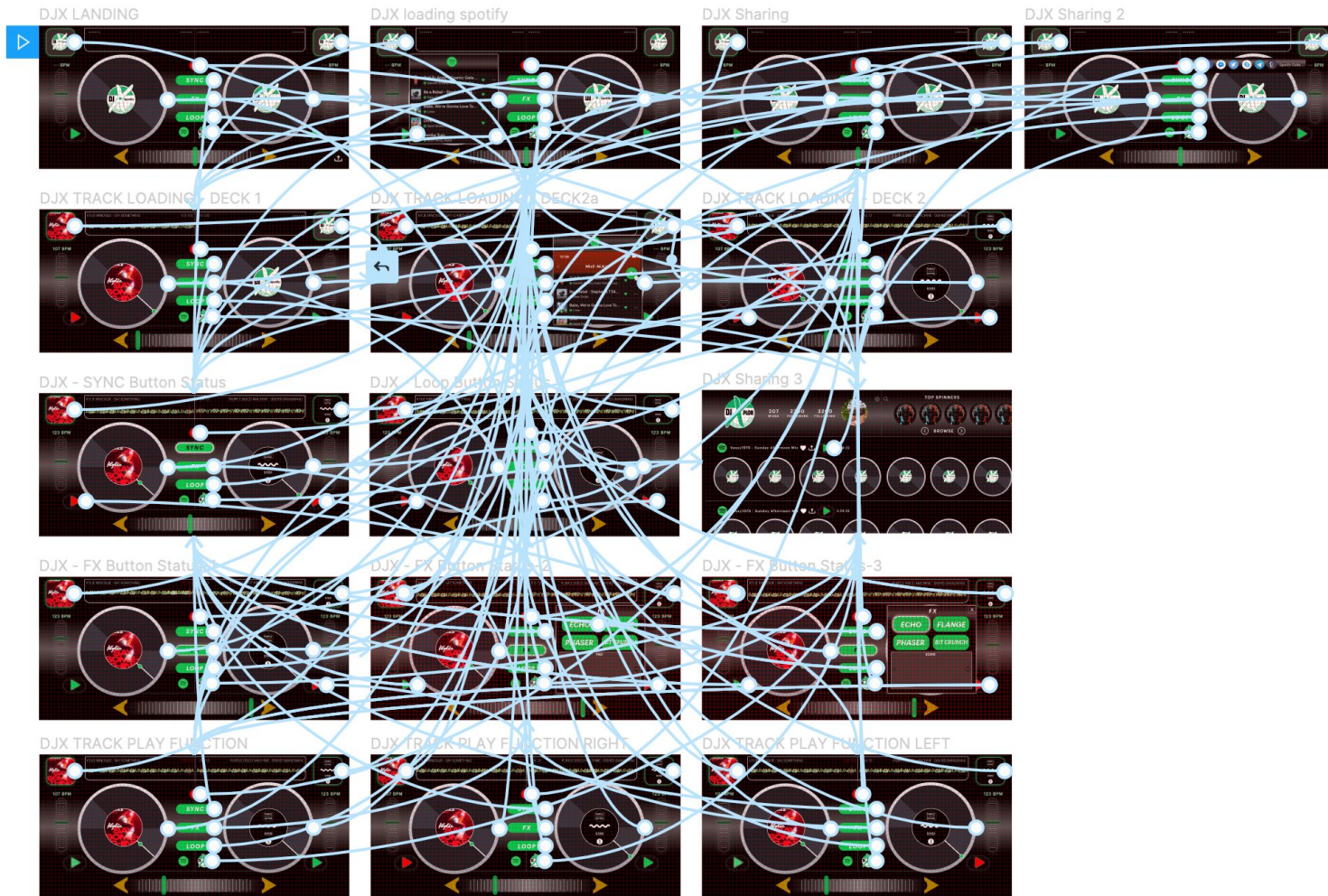


DJX TRACK PLAY FUNCTION RIGHT



DJX TRACK PLAY FUNCTION LEFT





The FIGMA Demo



The background of the slide features a vibrant sunset scene with a rainbow gradient overlay. Five people are silhouetted against the bright, colorful sky, captured in dynamic dance poses. The overall mood is energetic and celebratory.

DJX Prototype

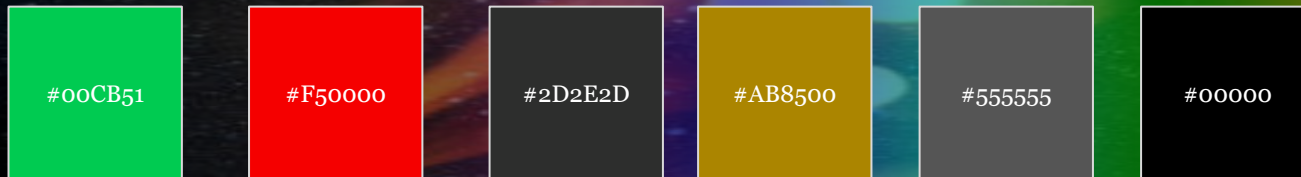
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THE UI DESIGN

The STYLE Guide

Colours



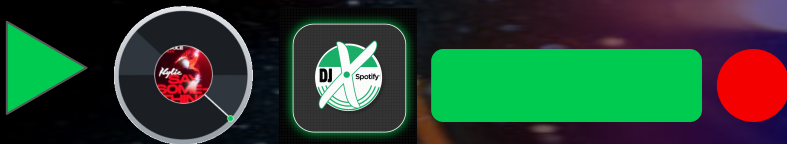
Typography

Graphik Family

Buttons - Graphik Semibold Italic
Title- Graphik Light
BPM- Graphik Reg

15 pt
9 pt
10 pt

Buttons



The STYLE Guide - THE LOGO

ALWAYS SCALE WITH STROKE &
EFFECTS CLICKED ON

Gothic 821 Condensed BT

COLOUR = #00CB51



Min Size 87x91px
Drop Shadow at 25% Opacity
Leave adequate negative
space around logo .25 in



SPOTIFY - GRAPHIK

The Learning Outcomes - Next Steps



- Source an engineer to see if the idea is a viable one. The engineer and I would begin to explore Spotify's API
- Make adjustments to the design as per the engineer's suggestions
- Work on the financials with Spotify.
- Build a workable dummy prototype



THANK YOU

