



# An old way to listen to music: Archiving a CD collection

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# Background

- The CD stands for Compact Disc.
- A CD single is a music single in the form of a standard size compact disc. The format was first introduced in the mid-1980s but did not achieve a spot in the music industry until the early 1990s.
- James Russel originally thought of the idea when thinking if something could replace vinyl records.
- CD Graphics makes it possible to store song lyrics and other information on a CD.
- The CD was a very popular form of digital storage media used to storage infinitive things: pictures, computer files, and especially music.



The CD could produce sound and record and replay without physical contact between the parts. Its purpose was just another way to listen to music. It created a smaller alternative in the way people reproduced music that eventually becomes the primary media for listening to music until the digital age.

With the popularity of streaming services and downloading music online, it would not be surprising to see that many people prefer to download music instead of purchasing a CD. Spotify, Apple Music, Pandora, among others can make people listen to music everywhere without even taking a CD out of its case. But I believe the real value of music comes from wanting to listen to it. No individual would pay for something they don't like. If a person is buying a disc is because they value it.



# What's in the Archive

- My archive would include CDs relevant to the Spanish music scene.
- One of the oldest CD is from the 90's.



# FEATURES OF THE CDS



**Rock In  
Spanish**



**Vallenatos**



**Salsa**



**80's Rock**



**Bachata**



**Ballads**



# Importance to me:

Music has played an important role in my life growing up. Growing up, I used to wake up listening to songs that my mother played on the radio. Songs by Hispanic singers that she really liked. I remember waking up listening to famous ballad, bachata and rock singers. At that time I didn't know how much of an impact that music would have in my life. Before, I thought that music was for grown-ups, people who were boring, but when I grew up, I understood that this type of music is for all people, it doesn't matter how old you are or whether you were not born when that music was released.

My mother used to buy cd's in the market. In my native country, it was really popular to own a radio and collect CD's of famous singers. That is why since a long time ago, my mother started to collect these CDs.



The CD was designed and most of its modification are for enjoyment and to have fun. I believe it is of great value to be housed together somewhere as an archival collection.

