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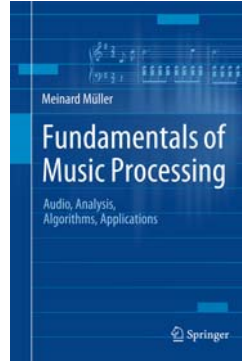
## Classification & Clustering

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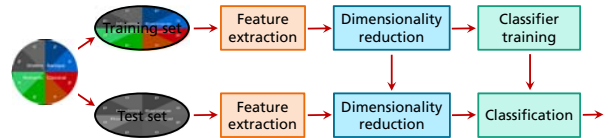


## Music Genre Classification

- Standard approach (*content-based*)
  - Supervised machine learning
  - Based on spectral / timbral features
- In classical music → Instrumentation
- Better categories?
  - Musical style
  - Independent from instrumentation
  - **Tonality / Harmony**

## Music Genre Classification

- Typical approach: Supervised machine learning

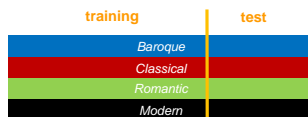


## Music Genre Classification

- Experimental design: Evaluation with Cross Validation (CV)
- Separate data into different parts (*fold*s)

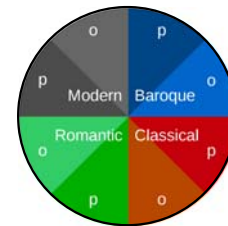
	Fold 1	Fold 2	Fold 3
Round 1	Training fold	Training fold	Test fold
Round 2	Training fold	Test fold	Training fold
Round 3	Test fold	Training fold	Training fold

- Distribution of classes balanced for all folds

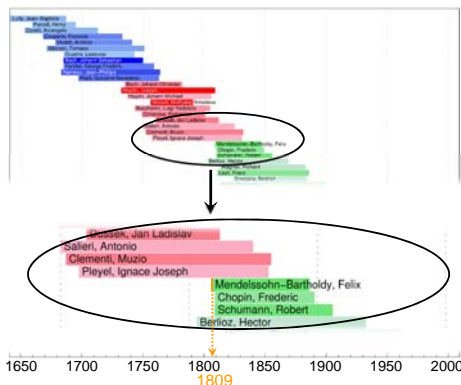


## Classification Scenario

- Dataset: *CrossEraDB* (Historical Periods)
  - Balanced Piano (p) – Orchestra (o)
  - Each 200 pieces → 1600 in total



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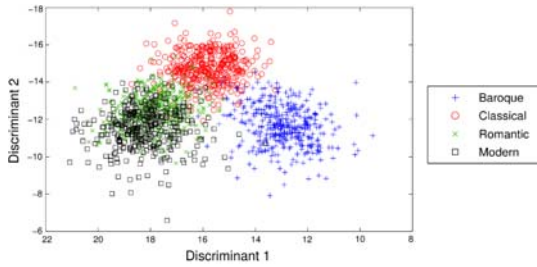


## Classification Features

Standard	Dim.	Tonal	Dim.
MFCC	16	Interval cat.	6 x 4
OSC	14	Triad types	4 x 4
ZCR	1	Complexity	7 x 4
ASE	16	Chord progr.	11 x 5
SFM	16		
SCF	16		
SC	16		
LogLoud	12		
NormLoud	12		
Sum	119	Sum	123
Mean & Std	x 2	Mean & Std	x 2
<b>Total</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>246</b>

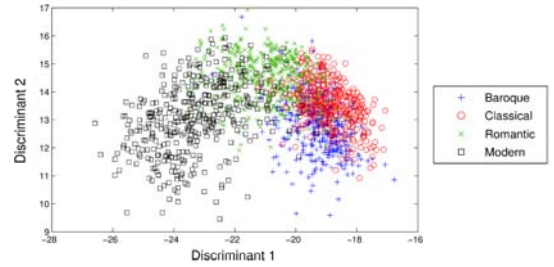
## Dimensionality Reduction

- Reduce feature space to few dimensions
- Maximize separation of classes with **Linear Discriminant Analysis (LDA)**
- Using **standard features** (MFCC, spectral envelope, ...)



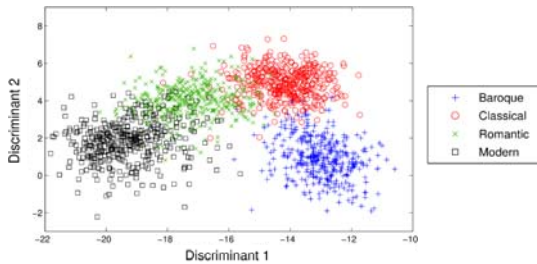
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- Using **tonal features** (interval, triad types, tonal complexity, ... 4 time scales)



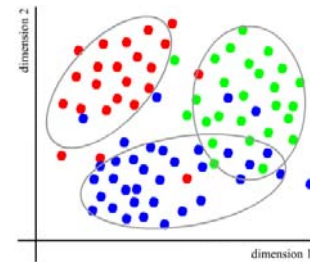
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## Classifier

- Train Machine Learning Classifier
- Gaussian Mixture Model (GMM)**
- Using Gaussian distributions to model data points in feature space



## Classification Results

- Gaussian Mixture Model (GMM) classifier, LDA reduction, 3-fold cross validation

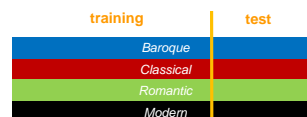
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Standard features	87 %	88 %	85 %
Tonal features	84 %	84 %	86 %
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Weiss / Mauch / Dixon, *Timbre-Invariant Audio Features for Style Analysis of Classical Music*, ICMC / SMC 2014

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Flexer, *A Closer Look on Artist Filters for Musical Genre Classification*, ISMIR 2007

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- Using composer filter**

	Full Dataset	Piano	Orchestra
Standard features	54 %	36 %	70 %
Tonal features	73 %	70 %	78 %
<b>Combined</b>	<b>68 %</b>	<b>44 %</b>	<b>68 %</b>

Weiss / Müller, Tonal Complexity Features for Style Classification of Classical Music, ICASSP 2015

## Classification Results – Confusion Matrix

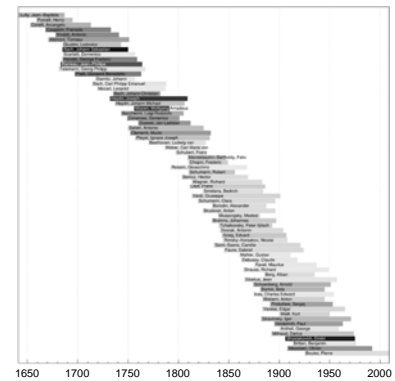
- 80 tonal features, GMM with 1 Gaussian, LDA, composer filtering
- Full dataset**
- Mean accuracy: **75 %**
- Inter-class standard deviation: **6.7 %**

Era (correct) \ Era (classified)	Baroque	Classical	Romantic	Modern
Baroque	65.2	23.2	10.9	0.6
Classical	17.0	74.9	8.1	0.0
Romantic	6.5	5.0	77.7	10.8
Modern	1.7	0.9	16.8	80.6

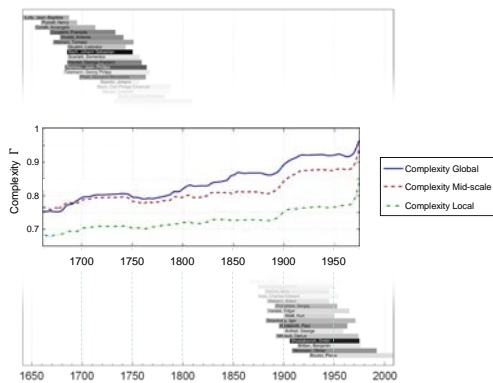
## Classification Results – Summary

- Different types of tonal features
- Combination of time scales
- Classifiers (SVM, Random Forest)
- State-of-the-art
  - Few studies on audio
  - Good separation of tonal-vs.-atonal (**91 %**):  
Izmirli, Tonal-Atonal Classification of Music Audio Using Diffusion Maps, ISMIR 2009
- Composer Identification
  - Up to **78 %** for 11 composers  
Hamel, Pooled Features Classification, MIREX 2011
  - Dataset balanced?

## Musical Style Analysis

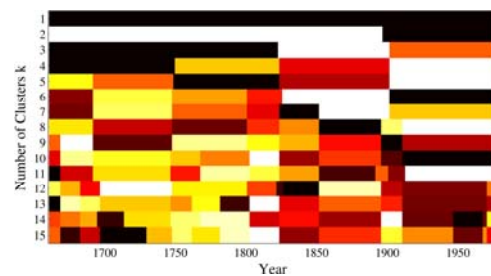


## Musical Style Analysis – Complexity



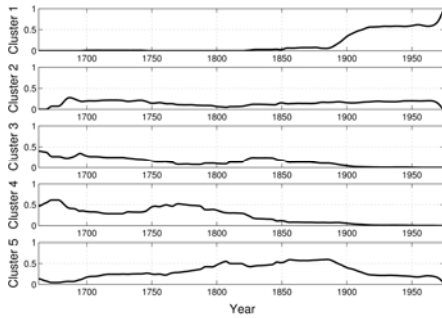
## Clustering: Years

- Features: Interval, complexity, chord progressions
- Dimensional reduction with **Principal Component Analysis (PCA)**
- $k$ -means clustering with different number of clusters  $k$

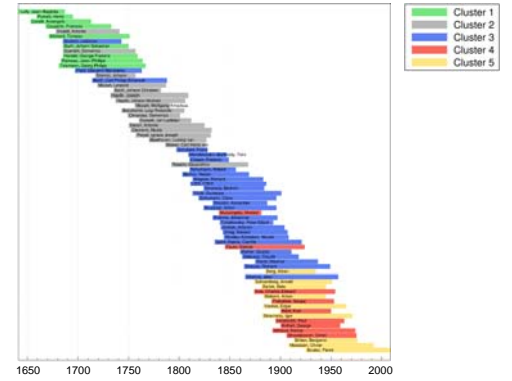


## Clustering: Pieces

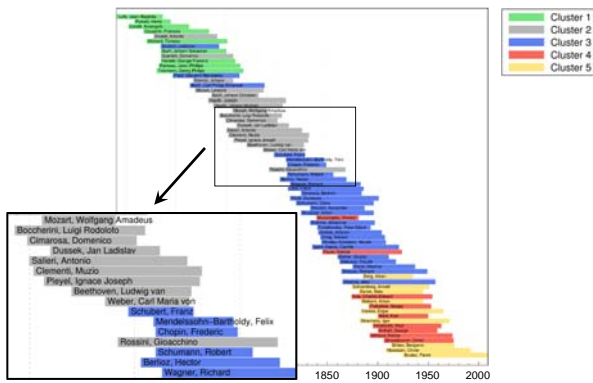
- $k$ -means clustering with  $k = 5$  clusters



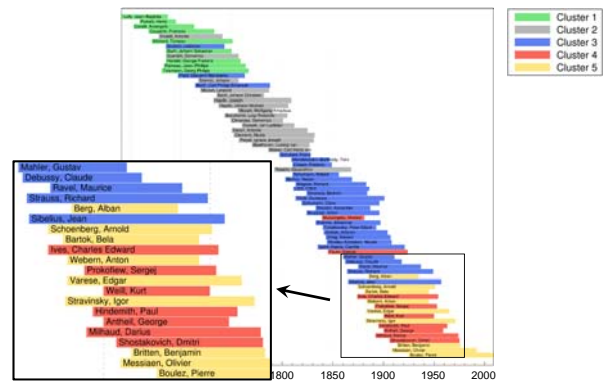
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