



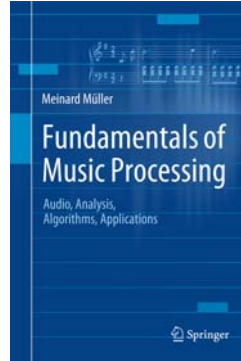
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## Style Classification

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## Dissertation: Tonality-Based Style Analysis

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*Computational Methods for Tonality-Based Style Analysis of Classical Music Audio Recordings*  
 PhD thesis, Technical University of Ilmenau, 2017

Chapter 7: Clustering and Analysis of Musical Styles  
 Chapter 8: Subgenre Classification for Western Classical Music

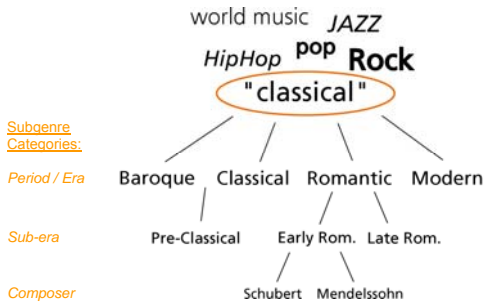
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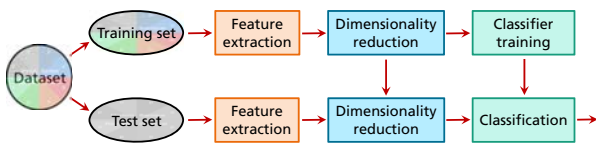


## Music Genre Classification

- 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**

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- Supervised machine learning



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

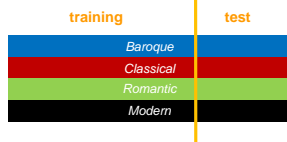
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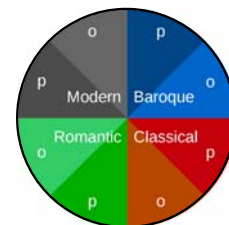
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- Distribution of classes balanced for all folds

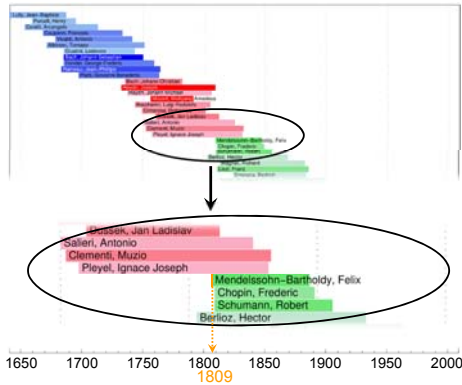


## Classification Scenario

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



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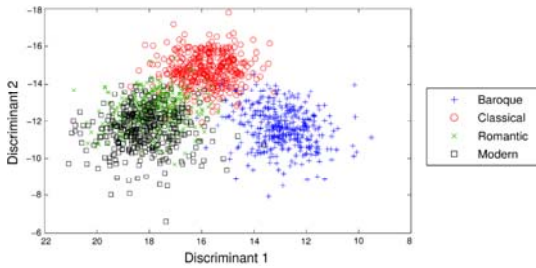


## Classification Features

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>

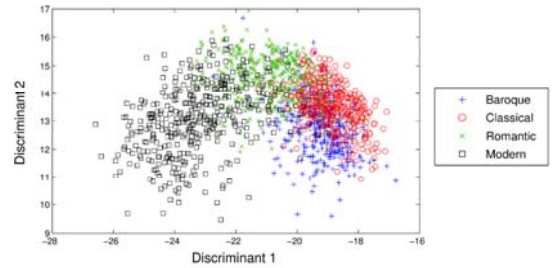
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- Reduce feature space to few dimensions
- Maximize separation of classes with **Linear Discriminant Analysis (LDA)**
- Using **standard features** (MFCC, spectral envelope, ...)



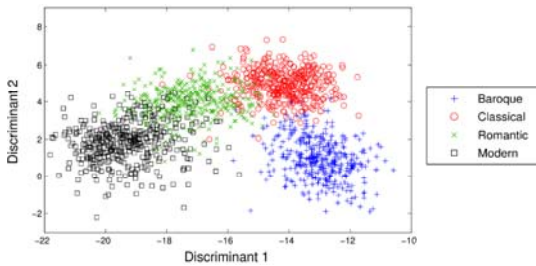
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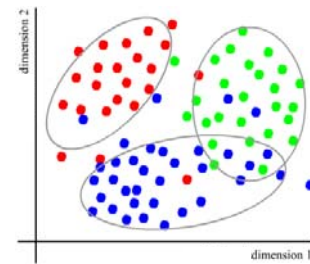
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## Classifier

- 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

	Full Dataset	Piano	Orchestra
Standard features	87 %	88 %	85 %
Tonal features	84 %	84 %	86 %
<b>Combined</b>	<b>92 %</b>	<b>86 %</b>	<b>80 %</b>

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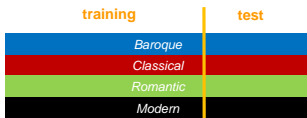
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"Album effect"

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

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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: Error Examples

- 80 tonal features, GMM with 1 Gaussian, LDA
- Look at consistently and persistently misclassified items (B. Sturm 2012 & 2013)

Class	Composer	Piece	Classified
Baroque	Bach, J. S.	Well-Tempered Piano I, Prelude in E $\flat$ minor BWV 853	Romantic
Baroque	Bach, J. S.	Well-Tempered Piano I, Prelude in F major BWV 856	Romantic
Baroque	Bach, J. S.	Well-Tempered Piano I, Prelude in A minor BWV 865	Romantic
Baroque	Bach, J. S.	Well-Tempered Piano I, Prelude in B $\flat$ major BWV 866	Romantic
Baroque	Bach, J. S.	Well-Tempered Piano I, Prelude in B $\flat$ minor BWV 867	Romantic
Baroque	Bach, J. S.	English Suite No. 3 in G minor BWV 808, Sarabande	Romantic
Baroque	Bach, J. S.	Brandenburg Conc. No. 1 in F major BWV 1046, Adagio	Romantic
Baroque	Bach, J. S.	Overture No. 2 in B minor BWV 1067, Badinerie	Romantic
Baroque	Bach, J. S.	Overture No. 3 in D major BWV 1068, Gigue	Romantic
Baroque	Couperin, F.	27 Oubres, Huitieme ordre, IX, Rondeau passacaille	Romantic
Baroque	Corelli, A.	Concerto grosso op. 6 No. 2, III, Grave - Andante largo	Romantic
Baroque	Lully, J.-B.	Ballet de Xerxes BWV 12, Gavotte en rondeau	Romantic
Baroque	Parcell, H.	Opera "Dido and Aeneas" Z. 626, Overture	Romantic
Baroque	Vivaldi, A.	"The Four Seasons," RV 293 "Autumn," Adagio molto	Romantic
Romantic	Schumann, R.	Kinderszenen op. 15, "Haschenmann"	Baroque
Romantic	Grieg, E.	Holberg suite op. 40, Gavotte	Baroque
Romantic	Mendelssohn, F.	Symphony No. 4 in A major, IV, Saltarello, presto	Baroque
Modern	Shostakovich, D.	Preludes & Fugues op. 87 Fugue No. 1 in C major	Baroque
Modern	Shostakovich, D.	Preludes & Fugues op. 87 Fugue No. 5 in D major	Baroque

## 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 %

	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

Era (classified)

## Classification Results: Unseen Data

- 80 tonal features, GMM with 1 Gaussian, LDA
- Full dataset, 4 historical periods
- Training on piano, evaluating on orchestra → mean accuracy 65 %
- Training on orchestra, evaluating on piano → mean accuracy 64 %

- Training on full dataset
- Evaluating on a different dataset
- Mean accuracy **62.3 %**  
(Ignoring Beethoven & Schubert)

	<i>Classified Era</i>	Baroque	Classical	Romantic	Modern
Bach		68	5	9	18
Handel		56	23	15	6
Rameau		69	22	6	3
Haydn		25	53	19	3
Mozart		28	51	7	14
Beethoven		16	37	38	9
Schubert		7	16	24	53
Mendelssohn		15	19	55	11
Brahms		6	13	69	12
Dvořák		14	17	65	4
Shostakovich		15	2	8	75

## Classification Results: Summary

- Extreme influence of album effect: What is actually learned?
- Tonal features seem to be more robust
- Different tonal features, Combination of time scales beneficial
- Complex classifier does not necessarily lead to better results