

ICML 2015 - Machine Learning for Music Discovery Workshop

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WHEN AUDIO FEATURES REACH MACHINE LEARNING

I. Machine Learning for Music Recommendation

Music recommendation

The image shows a screenshot of an interactive music player interface with several annotations. The interface is titled "INTERACTIVE PLAYER" and features a search bar, a video player, and a results table. Annotations include:

- Audio summary:** Points to the video player area.
- Music Structure:** Points to the progress bar and waveform area.
- Search-by-Similarity:** Points to the "RÉSULTATS" table.
- CURRENT PLAYLIST:** Points to the "RÉSULTATS" table.
- TAG CLOUDS:** Points to the "GENRES", "HUMEURS", and "INSTRUMENTATIONS" sections.

The "RÉSULTATS" table contains the following data:

Titre	Artiste	Album	Durée
Longtemps, longtemps (tu m'aimes en passant)	Charlélie Couture	Poemes Rock	02:58
Mister K.	AaRON	Artificial Animals Riding On Neverland	02:57
Le Tunnel d'Or	AaRON	Artificial Animals Riding On Neverland	03:38
Last Night Thoughts	AaRON	Artificial Animals Riding On Neverland	02:54
Let Me Put My Love Into You	AC/DC	Back in Black	04:15
Skies on Fire	AC/DC	Black Ice	03:34
Big Jack	AC/DC	Black Ice	03:57
Anything Goes	AC/DC	Black Ice	03:22
Smash n Grab	AC/DC	Black Ice	04:06
Wheels	AC/DC	Black Ice	03:08
Decibel	AC/DC	Black Ice	03:33
Stormy May Day	AC/DC	Black Ice	03:10

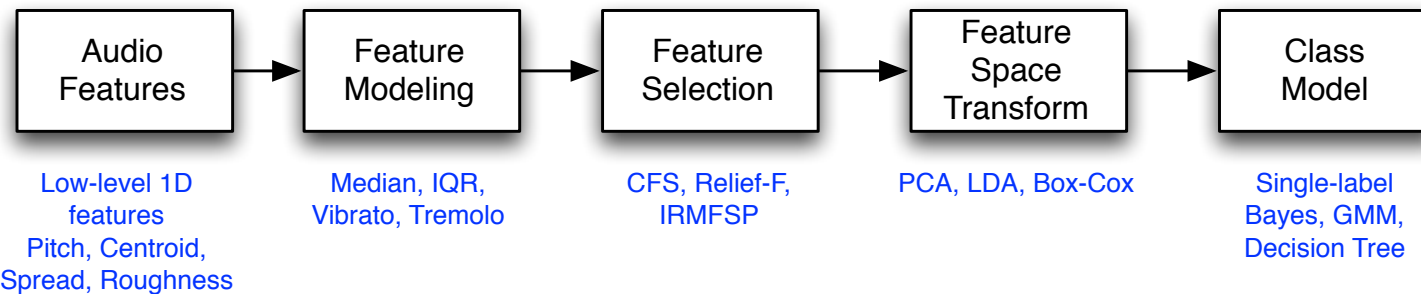
The "TAG CLOUDS" section includes:

- GENRES:** Inconnu (2938), Pop/Rock (1383), Reggae (358), Electronique (471), Blues (277), Jazz (207), Rap (187), Classique (166), Métal/Punk (153), Soul/Funk (66), latin (38).
- HUMEURS:** Dynamique (630), Inconnu (490), Triste (179), Romantique (1111), Calme (29), Joyeux (23).
- INSTRUMENTATIONS:** Guitare électrique (1177), Batterie Pop Légère/Rock (1033), électronique (603), guitare acoustique (162), Batterie Jazz/Country/Soul (64), Batterie électronique (63), Batterie Hard Rock/Metal (61), piano (46), cordes (orchestre) (39), acoustique (20), Inconnu (15), cuivres (4).

2. MIR M.-L. systems over time



Cuidado project (2001-2003)



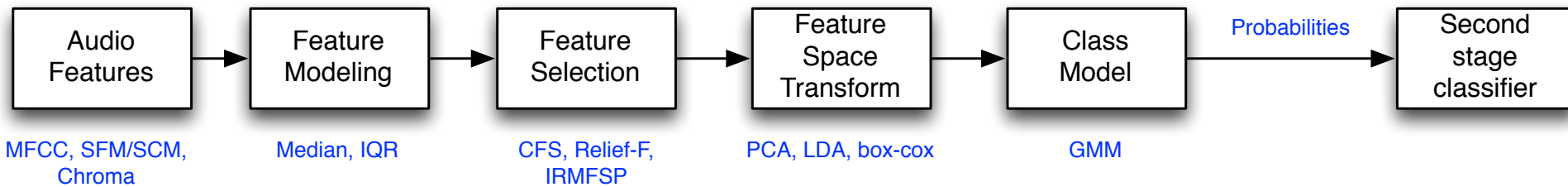
- First generic classification system
- Target: musical instrument name
- Size: 6.000 audio samples, cross-validation(leave one-dataset out)
- Audio features: 1-D, semantic, coming from perceptual experiment
- Target: clearly defined by the sound source

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G. Peeters. Automatic classification of large musical instrument databases using hierarchical classifiers with inertia ratio maximization. In Proc. of AES 115th Convention, New York, NY, USA, 2003.



Ecoute project (2006-2008)

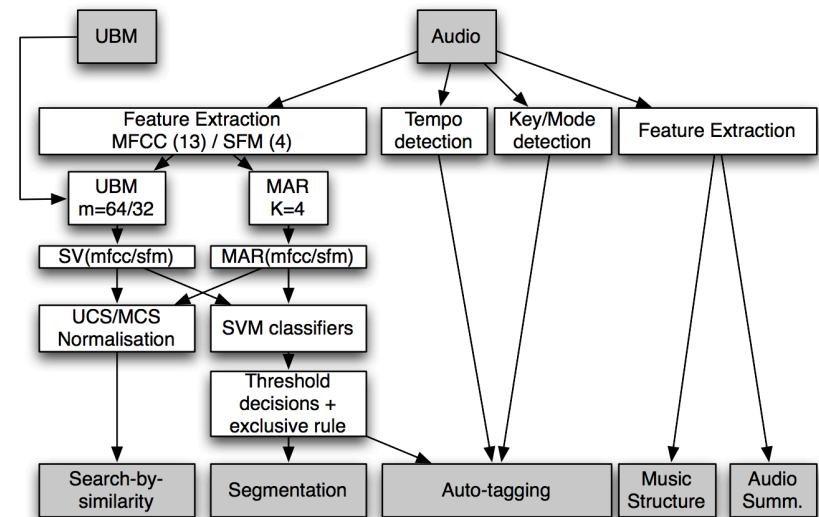
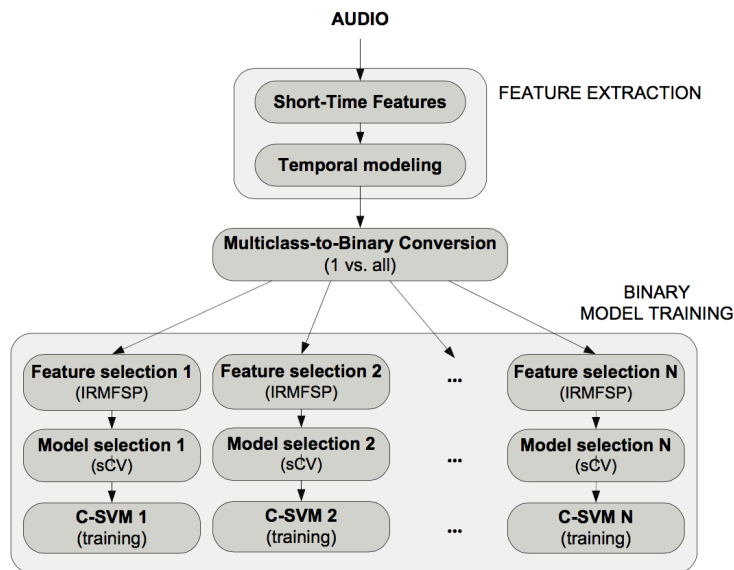


- Target: genre, mood classification (single-label)
- Size: 5.000 music extracts (MPO Online/ WMI music catalogue)
- Audio features: moved to D-dimensional, generic audio-features (no assumptions can be made on audio/music)
- Classifier: second stage classifiers to model probability over time
- Target: somehow hill-defined, needed several attempts



Quaero project (2009-2013)

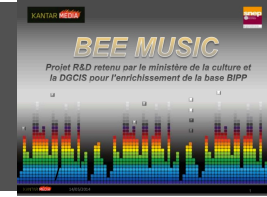
- Target: genre, mood, instru., live/studio, singing, structure
- Size: 30.000 full audio tracks (Orange, INA)
- Audio features: large extent of modeling (UBM Super-Vector, ARM)
- Classifier: Binarization, Multi-Label, Discriminant Classifier (SVM), Threshold Learning



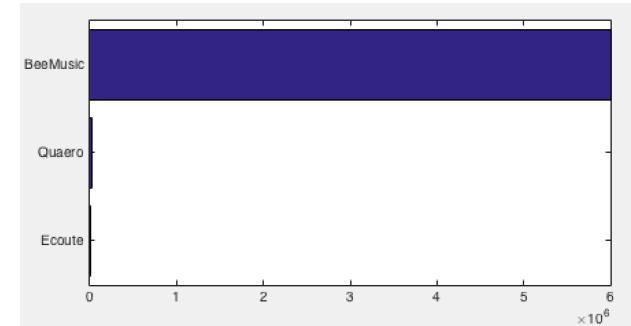
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BeeMusic project



- Target:
 - Labels: Genre, Mood
 - Value:s Valence/Arousal
 - Audio Identification
- Size: 4.000.000 Tracks !!!
- Labels: real labels (SNEP) = noisy, high unbalancing
- Developing a system
 - Need to take into account
 - Size of the data: $\text{NbDim} \times \text{NbFiles}$ ($4.000.000 * \text{SuperVector} > 1000$)
 - Data transfer
 - A lot of time spent on
 - Data manipulation
 - Cluster configuration
 - Map-Reducing algorithms

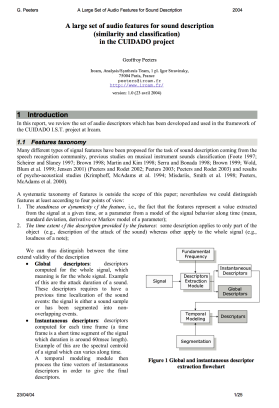
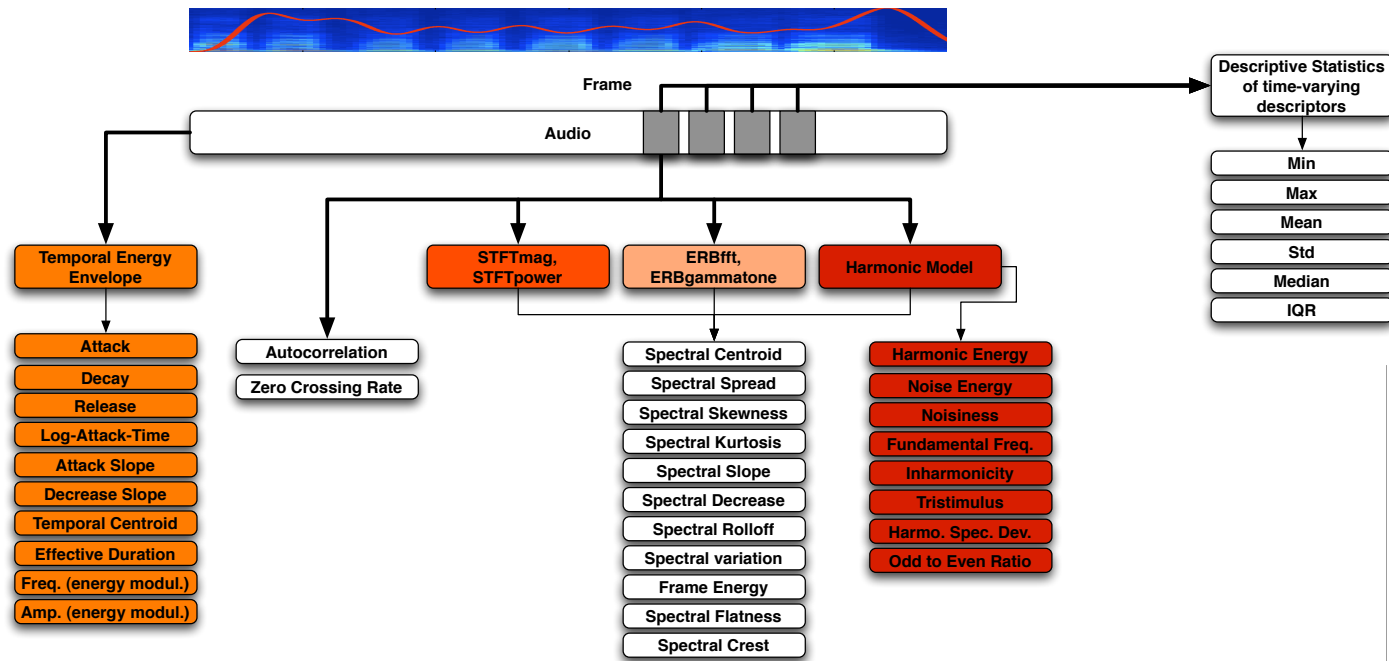


Evolution of Feature Design

Audio Feature Design

Manually Designed Audio Feature

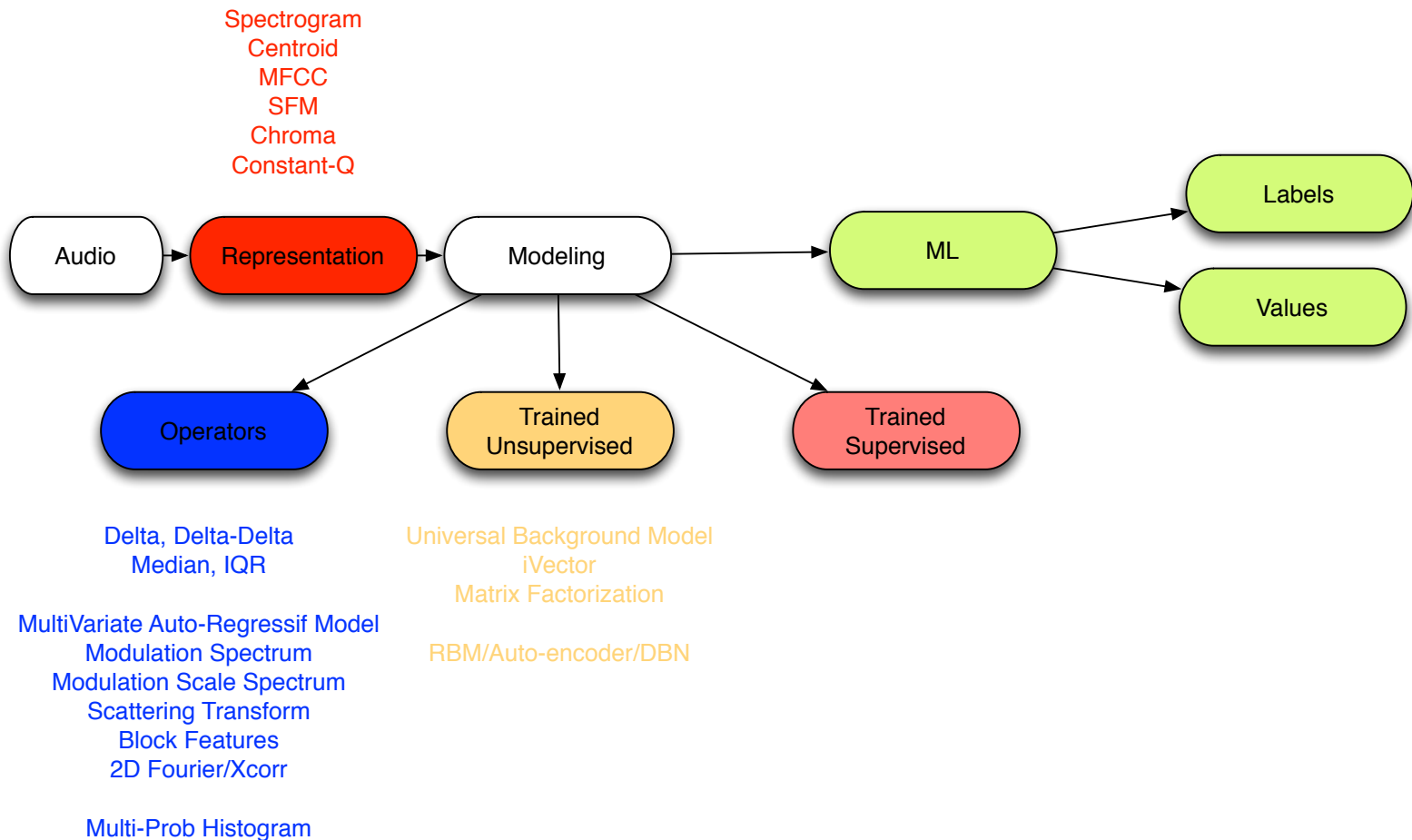
- Inspired by speech processing, perceptual studies, studies on music instruments
- Require specific content
- Generic audio features: MFCC, SFM, Chroma



Audio Feature Design

Modelling features (evolution)

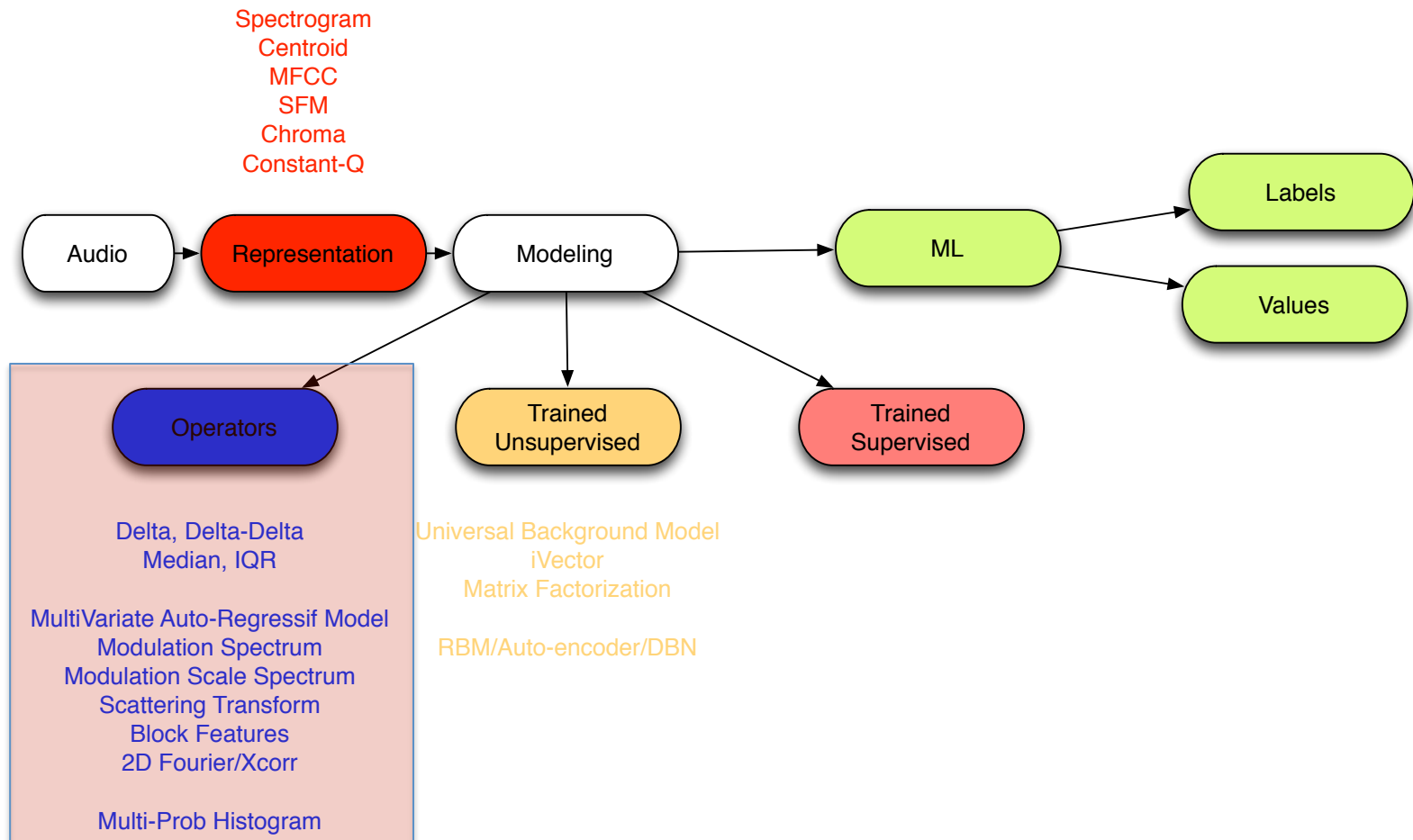
Much of the music phenomena is over time



Audio Feature Design

Modelling features (evolution)

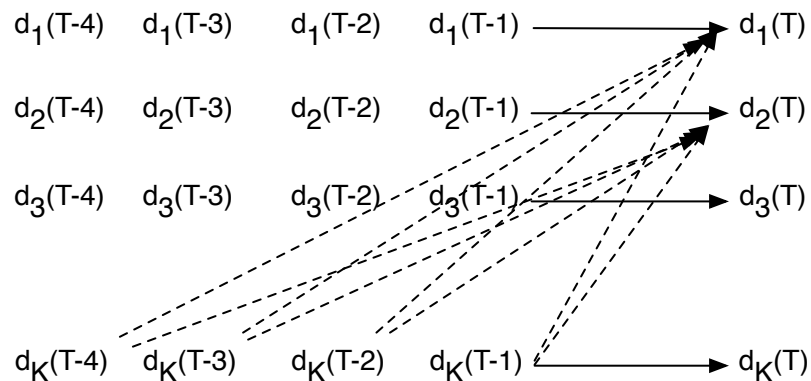
Modelling features behaviour over time



Audio Feature Design

Modelling features (evolution)

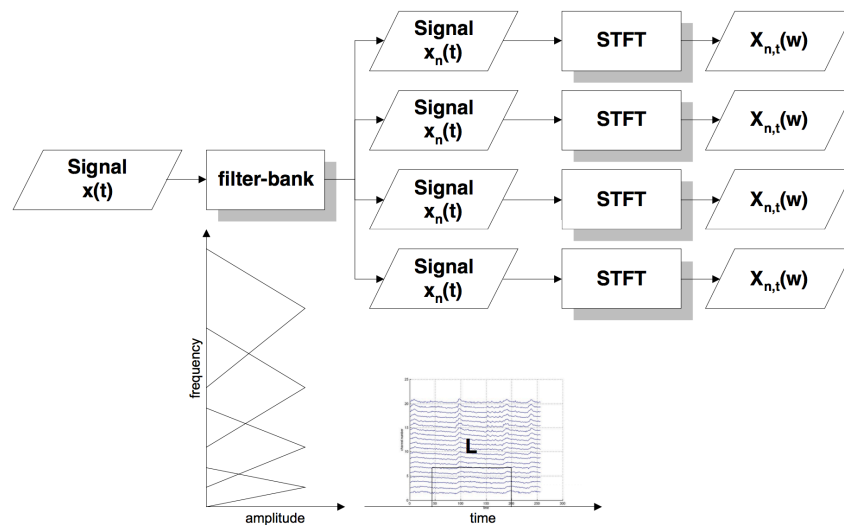
- Multi-Variate Auto-Regressive Model
 - Modelling the time evolution of the audio-features using an AR model, and their joint dependence



Audio Feature Design

Modelling features (evolution)

- Modulation Spectrum
 - Modelling jointly the time and frequency evolution using Fourier Transform
 - Shift-Invariant
 - Audio Identification -> Music Similarity -> Music Structure



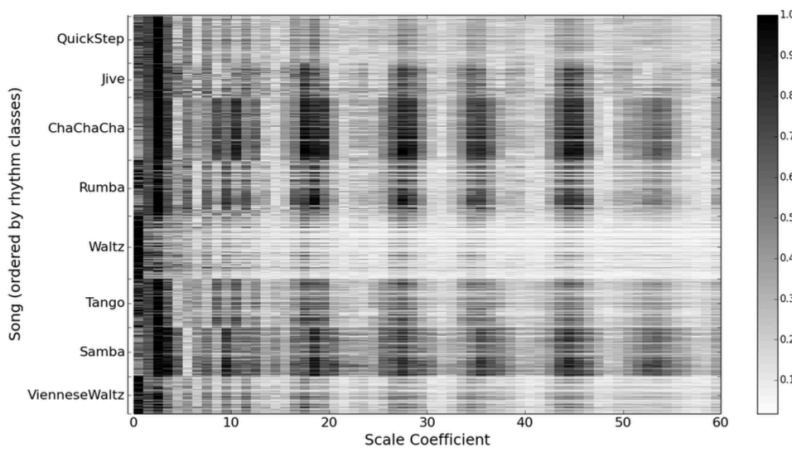
$$x(\omega, \tau) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_t x(t) h(\tau - t) e^{-j\omega t} dt$$

$$X(\omega, \Omega) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{\tau} |x(\omega, \tau)| e^{-j\Omega \tau} d\tau$$

Audio Feature Design

Modelling features (evolution)

- Modulation Scale Spectrum
 - Modelling jointly the time and frequency evolution using Scale Transform
 - Shift-Invariant and Tempo-Invariant



Method	Exp. 1			Exp. 2		
	Accuracy	C	K	Accuracy	C	K
Jensen	-	-	-	48.4 %	-	1
Holzappel	86.9 %	40	5	-	-	-
Holzappel (re-implemented)	87.82 %	40	11	66.48 %	20	5
Peeters	87.96 %	-	-	-	-	-
Modulation Scale Transform	93.12 %	60	5	75.52 %	20	5

$$x(\omega, \tau) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_t x(t) h(\tau - t) e^{-j\omega t} dt$$

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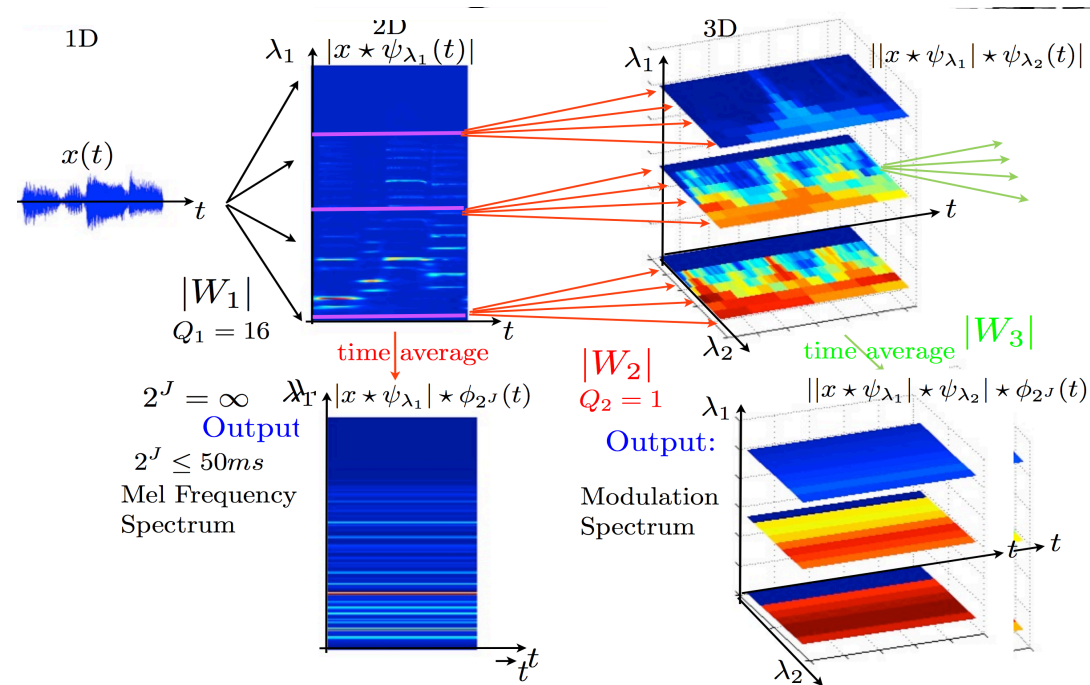
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U. Marchand and G. Peeters. The modulation scale-spectrum and its application to rhythm-content description. In Proc. of DAFX (International Conference on Digital Audio Effects), Erlangen, Germany, 2014.

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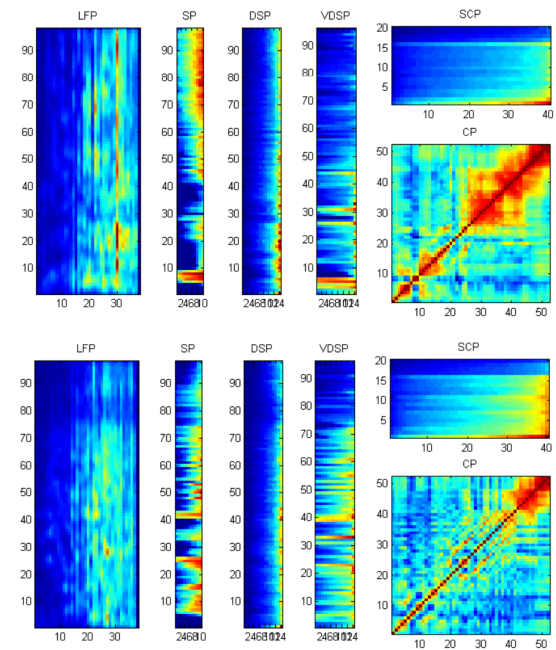
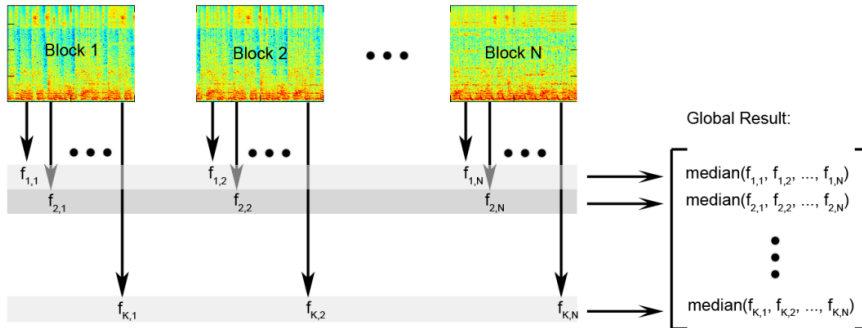
- Scattering network
 - model successively the time and frequency evolution using Wavelet transform, multiple-layers, marginal



Audio Feature Design

Modelling features (evolution)

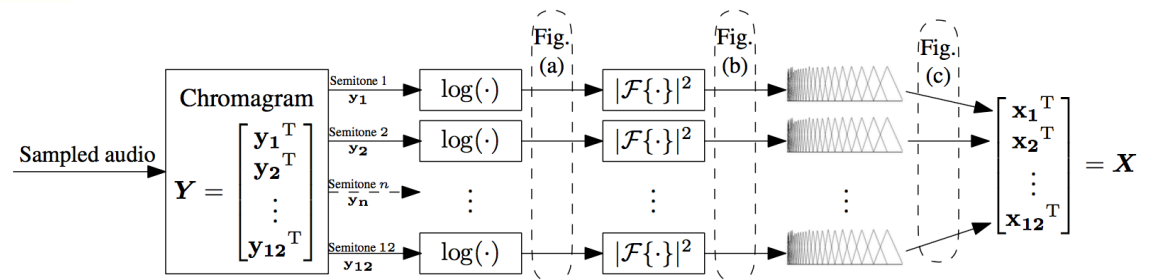
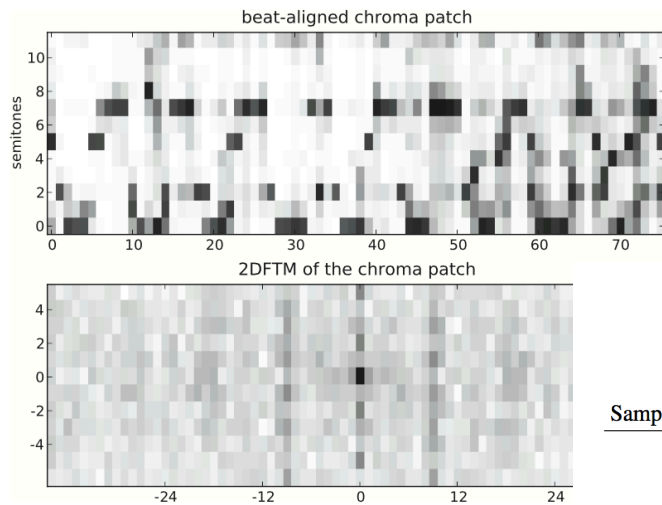
- Block Features
 - Model the variation insight a block using various histogram/ranking statistics
 - Also use some sort of modulation spectrum (onset coefficients)



Audio Feature Design

Modelling features (evolution)

- Modelling dependencies between frequency/scale bands
 - 2D-Fourier
 - 2D-Auto-Correlation

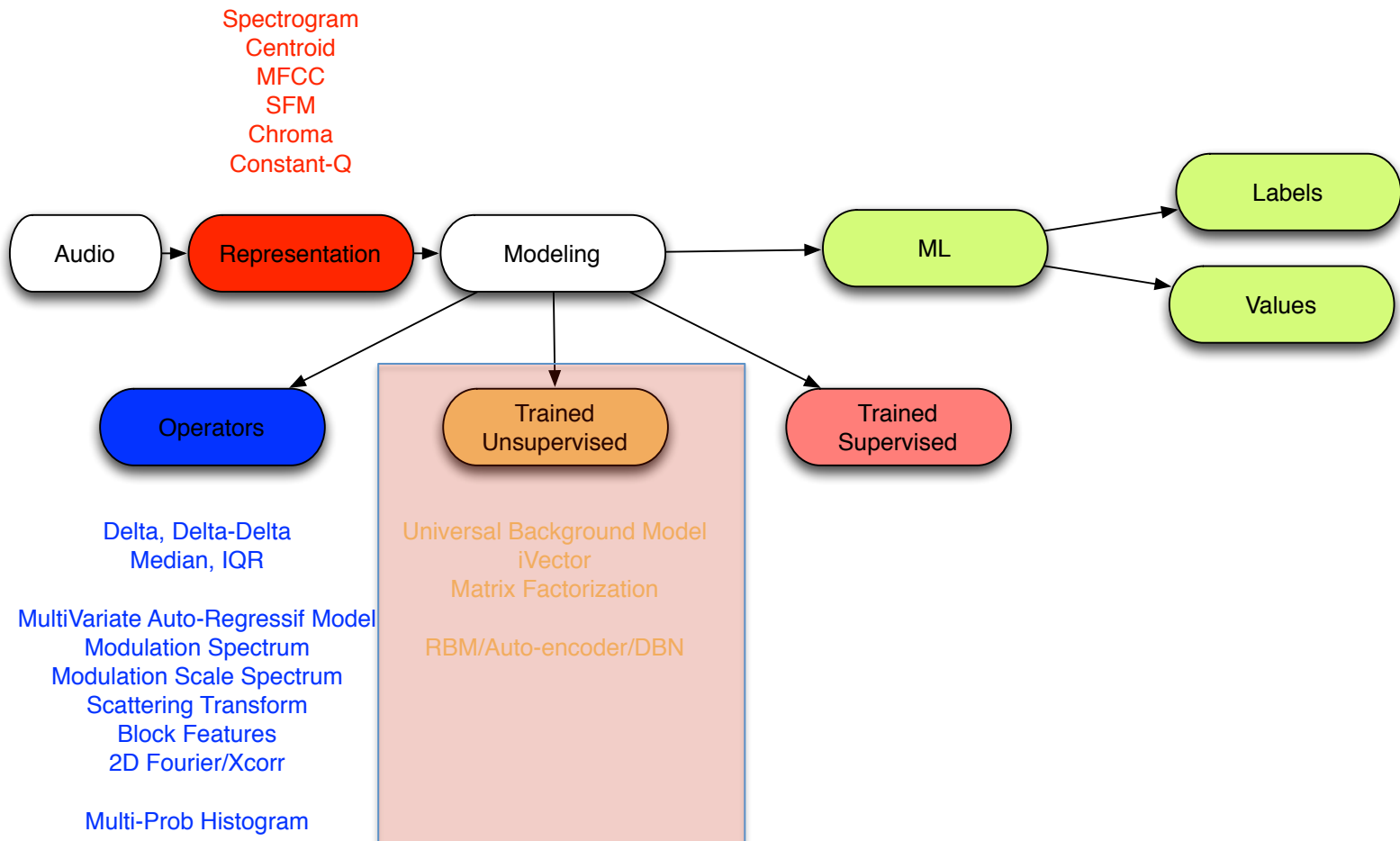


T. Bertin-Mahieux and D. P. Ellis. Large-scale cover song recognition using the 2d fourier transform magnitude. In Proc. of ISMIR (International Society for Music Information Retrieval), Porto, Portugal, 2012.

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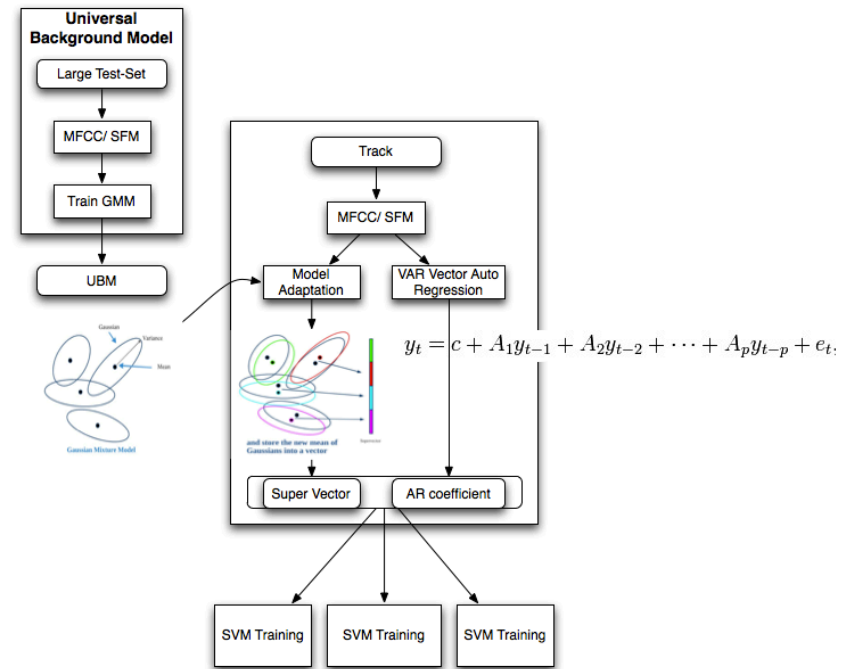
Modelling features behaviour over time



Audio Feature Design

Modelling features (evolution)

- Trained (unsupervised) feature representation
 - Universal Background Model/ Super-vector
 - Identity i-Vector $M = m + Tw$



D. Reynolds, T. Quatieri, and R. Dunn. Speaker verification using adapted gaussian mixture models. *Digital signal processing*, 10(1-3):19–41, 2000.

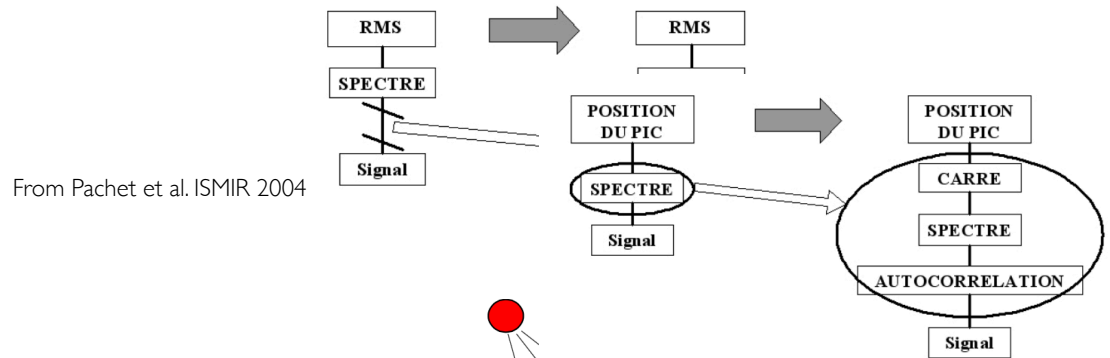
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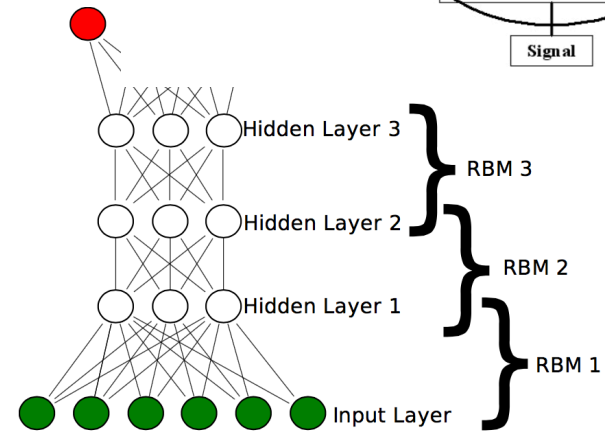
Modelling features (evolution)

- Non-linearly Trained (unsupervised) feature representation
 - EDS system



- RBM/Auto-encoder/DBN

From Hamel et al. ISMIR 2010



P. Hamel and D. Eck. Learning features from music audio with deep belief networks. In Proc. of ISMIR (International Society for Music Information Retrieval), Utrecht, The Netherlands, 2010.

F. Pachet and A. Zils. Automatic extraction of music descriptors from acoustic signals. In Proc. of ISMIR (International Society for Music Information Retrieval), Barcelona (Spain), 2004.

Audio Feature Design Results

Mirex-2011

Summary Results [\[top\]](#)

Algorithm	Classification Accuracy	Normalised Classification Accuracy
PH2	0.8007	0.8007
WR1	0.7557	0.7557
TCCP4	0.7527	0.7527
SSKS2	0.7496	0.7496

DBN [Hamel, Ismir, 2010]

	Accuracy
MFCCs	0.790
Layer 1	0.800
Layer 2	0.837
Layer 3	0.830
All Layers	0.843

SVM + SIM [Marchetto/Peeters, BeeMusic project]

Dataset: GTZAN				
Validation: 10-Folds				
Accuracy, Precision, Recall and F-measure	Simil.	Block	MFCC-based	MSS
82.2000 83.0621 82.2000 81.7330	x			
78.3000 79.3717 78.3000 77.9550		x		
80.7000 81.2960 80.7000 80.3091			x	
65.3000 65.4959 65.3000 64.1907				x
83.5000 84.3739 83.5000 83.1979	x	x		
84.7000 85.5060 84.7000 84.4027	x		x	
84.2000 84.8188 84.2000 83.7024	x			x
85.3000 86.3197 85.3000 85.1759		x	x	
82.0000 82.9002 82.0000 81.6536		x		x
82.5000 83.4090 82.5000 82.2621			x	x
85.8000 86.6846 85.8000 85.6584	x	x	x	
85.9000 86.8224 85.9000 85.7755		x	x	x
85.9000 86.5272 85.9000 85.6315	x	x		x
85.8000 86.6070 85.8000 85.5263	x		x	x
87.4000 88.0476 87.4000 87.1981	x	x	x	x

Scattering Network [Mallat, IEEE, TSP, 2010]

Representations	GTZAN	TIMIT
Δ -MFCC ($T = 23$ ms)	20.2 ± 5.4	18.5
Δ -MFCC ($T = 740$ ms)	18.0 ± 4.2	60.5
State of the art (excluding scattering)	9.4 ± 3.1 [8]	16.7 [43]
	$T = 740$ ms	$T = 32$ ms
Time Scat., $l = 1$	19.1 ± 4.5	19.0
Time Scat., $l = 2$	10.7 ± 3.1	17.3
Time Scat., $l = 3$	10.6 ± 2.5	18.1
Time & Freq. Scat., $l = 2$	9.3 ± 2.4	16.6
Adapt Q_1 , Time & Freq. Scat., $l = 2$	8.6 ± 2.2	15.9

Discussion

- Continuum between manually and automatically designed audio features
 - EDS or RBM/AE/DBN algorithms rarely start from audio waveforms but rather from higher-level representation inspired by manually designed audio features.
 - Manually designed audio features are rarely used directly, but rather as input to higher-level modelling (such as UBM) which are based on ML algorithms.
- Manual feature design ?
 - un-tractable with the size of the data-set
 - limited to the inspiration of the researcher.
- Automatic feature design ?
 - can help going beyond this and thanks to the increasing availability of computational resources can now be applied to large scale database.
 - It is therefore very welcome.
- Question:
 - apart from its performances,
 - how to get knowledge out of automatically designed features ?

Questions ?