Human-centered machine learning for music emotion recognition

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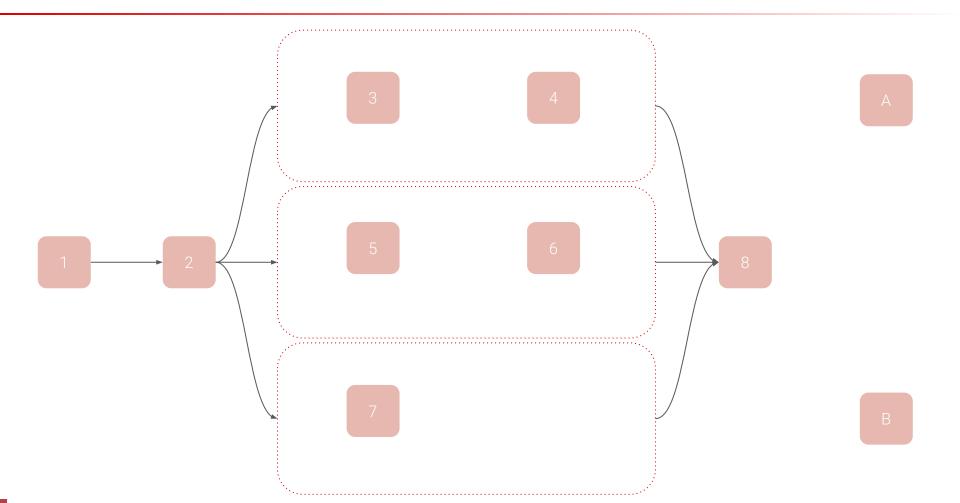
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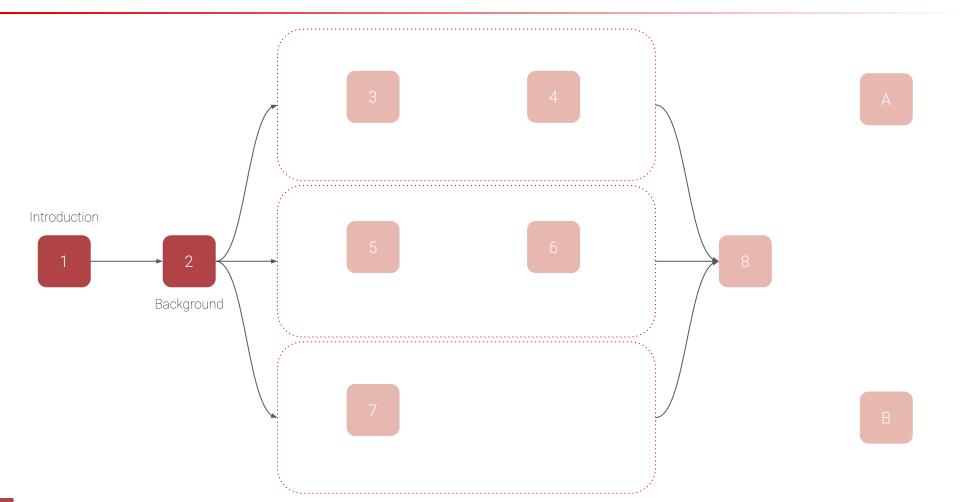
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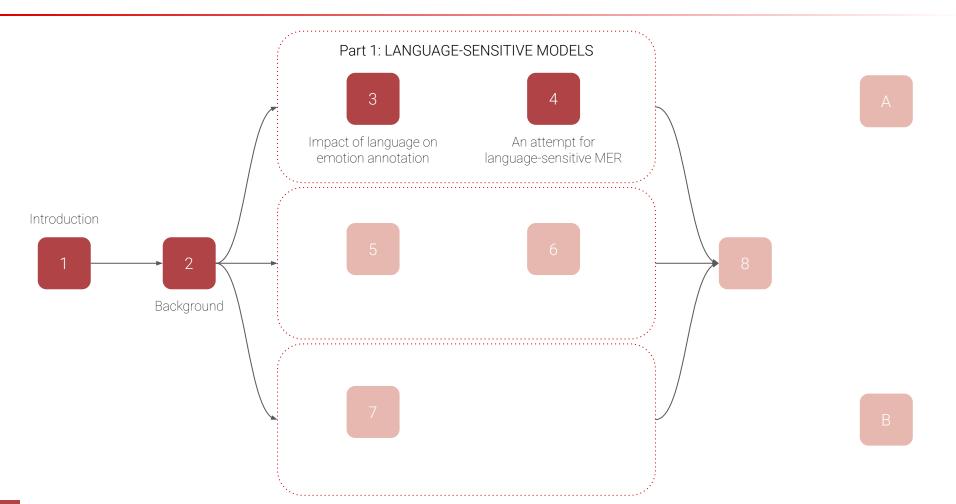


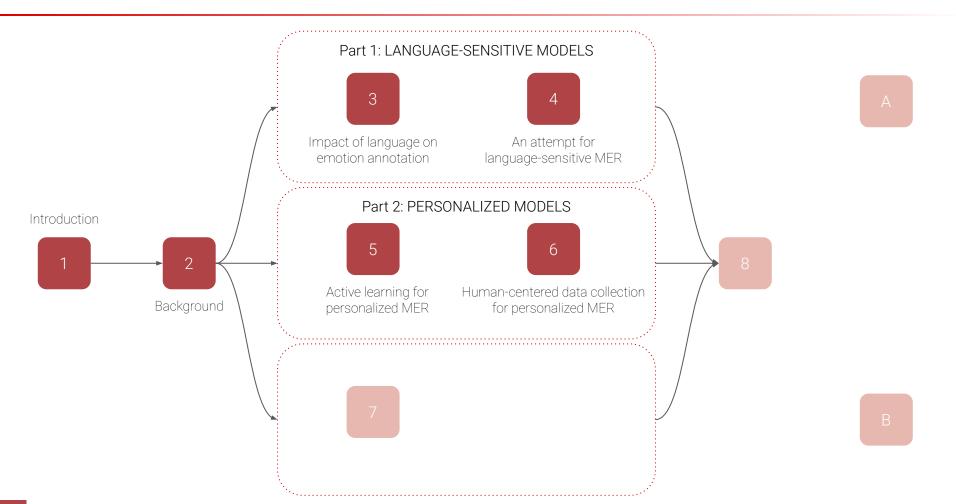


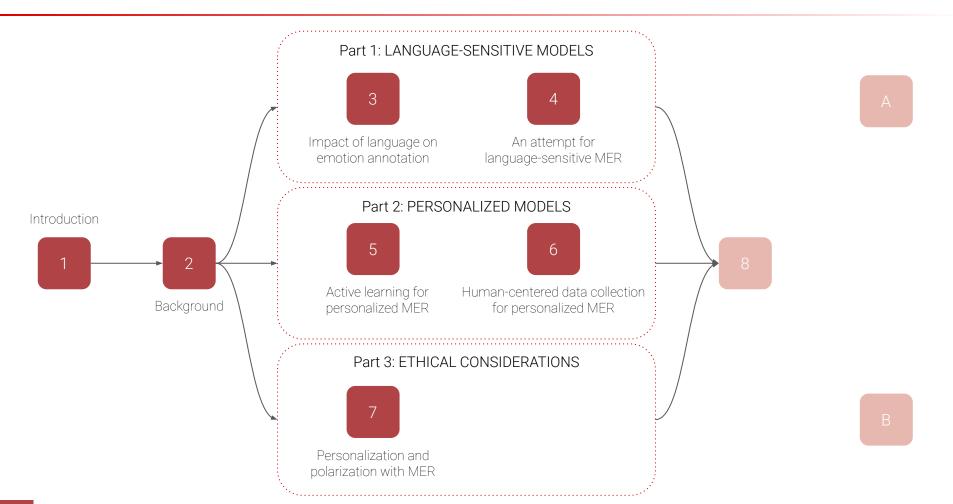


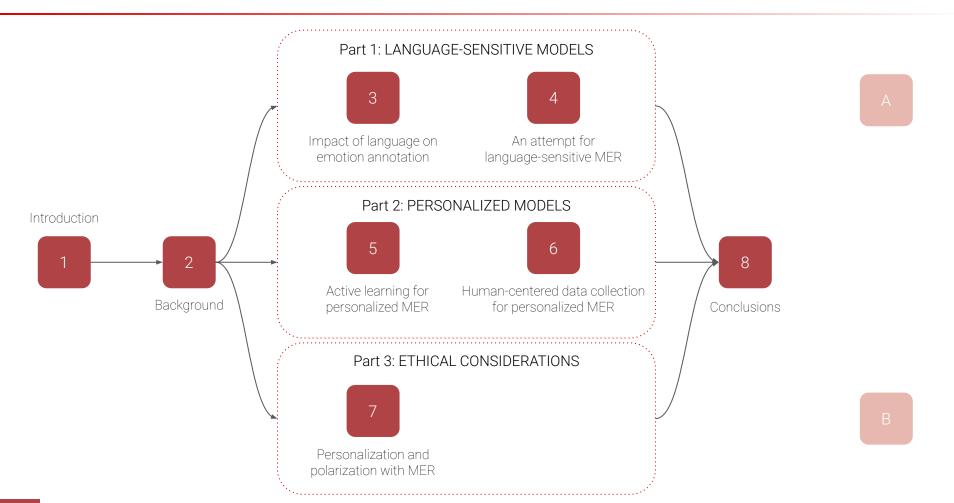


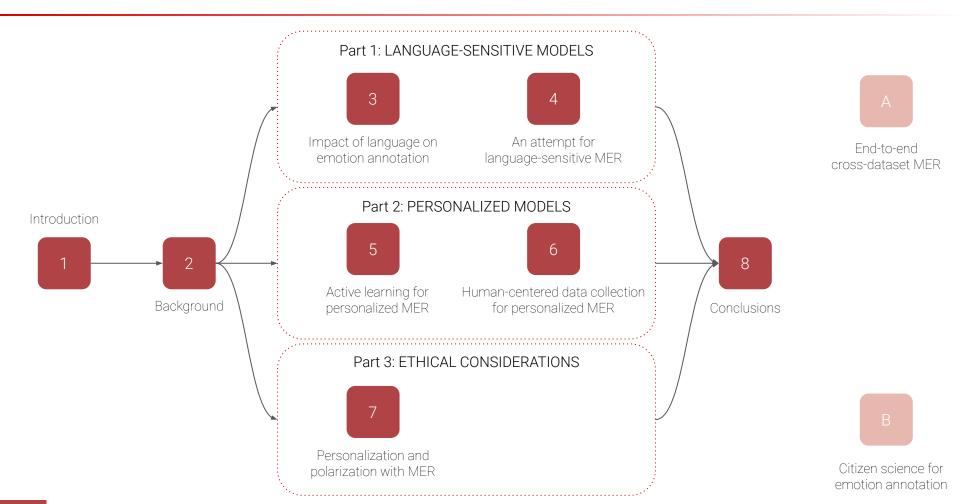






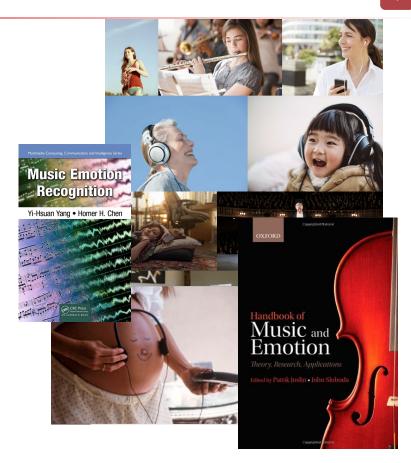






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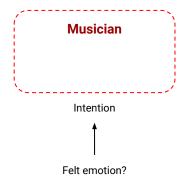
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What is music emotion recognition (MER)?

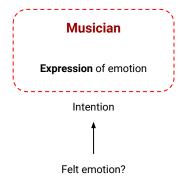
- Emotionally relevant features of music
- Perceived or induced emotions
- Supervised machine learning (Yang, 2011)
- "Ground truth" → subjective



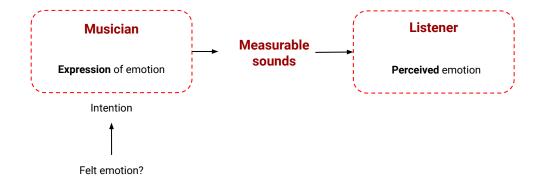
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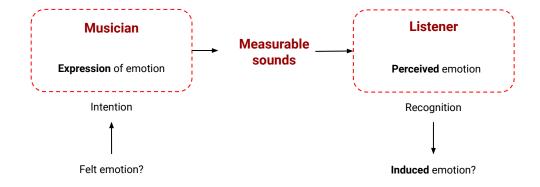


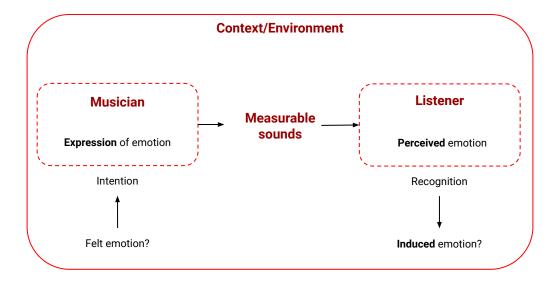


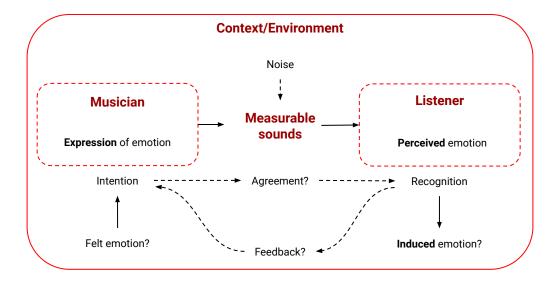


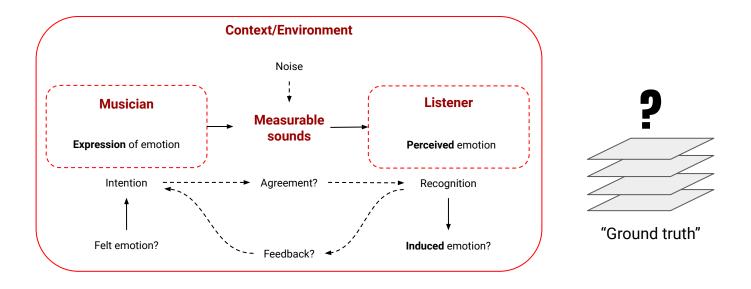












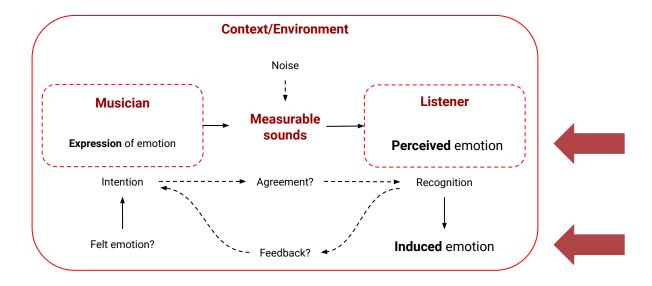
Felt emotion

Expressed emotion

Perceived emotion

Induced emotion

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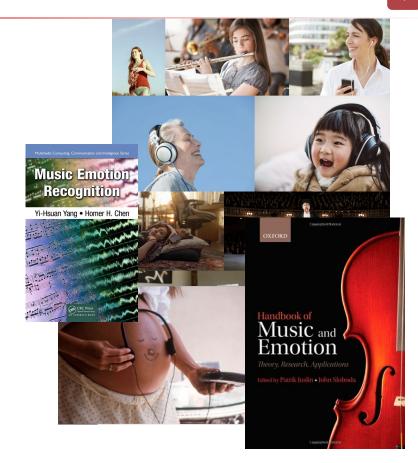
Why is music emotion recognition relevant?

- Perceived emotions:
 - Mood/emotion search
 - Indexing and categorization
- Induced emotions:
 - Mood regulation
 - Learning and well-being



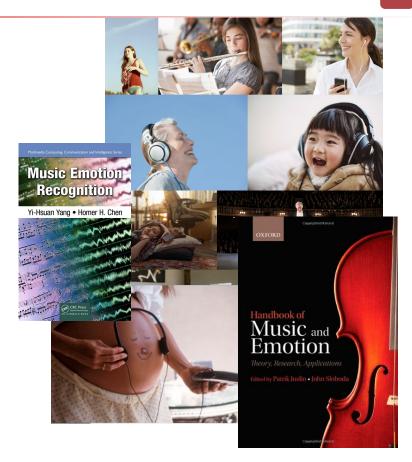
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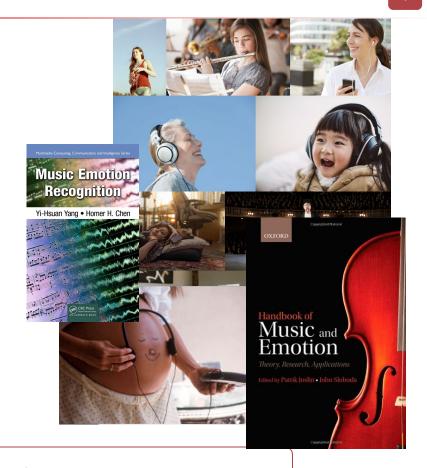
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- Individual judgment → possible?



Context and goals

Why is human-centric ML reasonable for MER?

- For whom?
 - Person at the center → PERSONALIZATION
- Role of individuality (Yang et al., 2007):
 - Group-based MER
 - Personalized MER



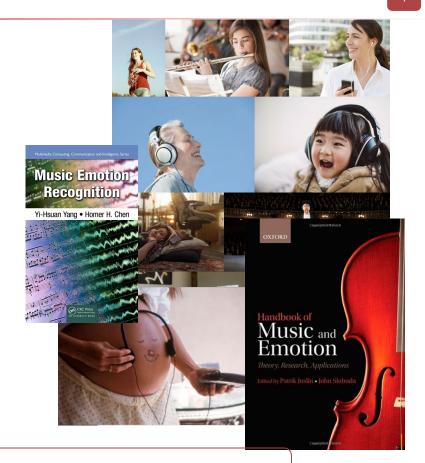
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Why is human-centric ML reasonable for MER?

- What for?
 - Impact of ML on humans → CONTEXT
- Age of context-aware music systems (Herrera, 2018):
 - Physiology
 - Cultural background
 - Activities while listening
 - Environmental context
 - Temporal context
 - Other data



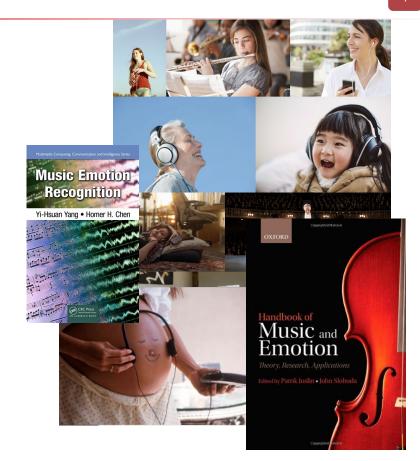
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Herrera. MIRages: an account of music audio extractors, semantic description and content-awareness, in the three ages of MIR. PhD thesis, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, 2018.

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Why is human-centric ML reasonable for MER?

- Age of context-aware music systems (Herrera, 2018)
 - More context!
- Role of individuality (Yang et al., 2007):
 - More personalization!
- Hypothesis of this dissertation
 - More effort on human-centric approaches!



Scientific Background and State of the Art

Publication:

Gómez-Cañón, Cano, Eerola, Herrera, Hu, Yang & Gómez. *Music Emotion Recognition:* toward new, robust standards in personalized and context-sensitive applications. IEEE Signal Processing Magazine, 38(6), 2021.



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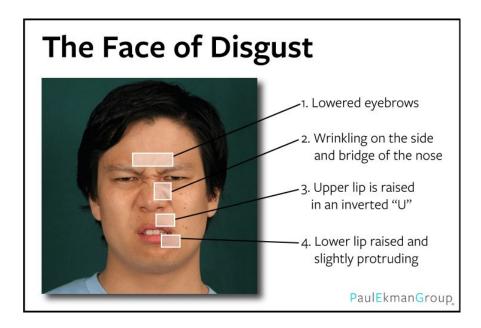
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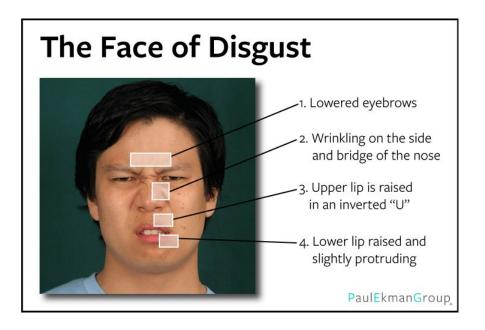


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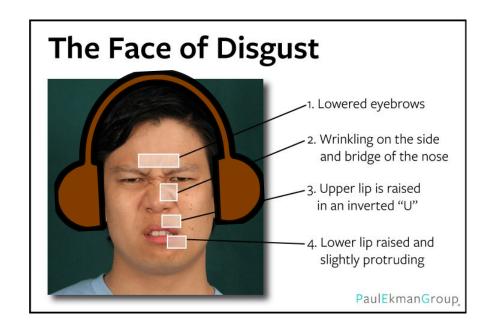


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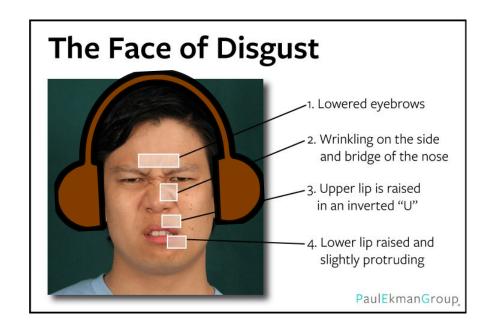


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- Description?
- Induced?
- Subtle differences



Emotions, moods, feelings...

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- Brief and intense reactions
- Synchronicity
- Focus on an object

Taxonomies of emotion

- Categorical or discrete
- Dimensional or continuous

FEAR

staccato articulation very low sound level large sound level variability large tempo variability large timing variations soft spectrum sharp micro-intonation fast, shallow, irregular vibrato

high sound level sharp timbre spectral noise fast mean tempo small tempo variability staccato articulation abrupt tone attacks sharp duration contrasts accents on unstable notes large vibrato extent no ritardando

HAPPINESS

fast mean tempo small tempo variability staccato articulation large articulation variability high sound level little sound level variability bright timbre fast tone attacks small timing variations sharp duration contrasts rising micro-intonation



▶Positive Valence

Negative Valence**∢**

SADNESS

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TENDERNESS

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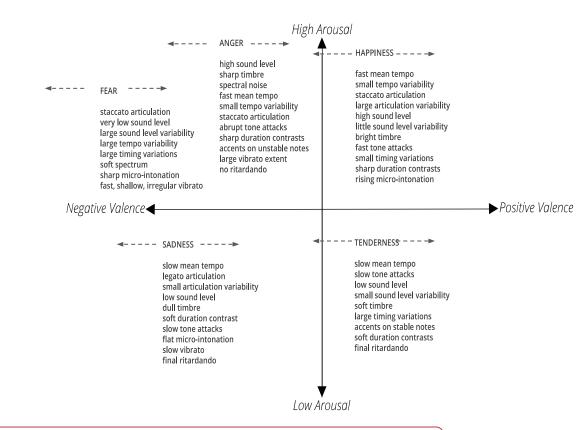
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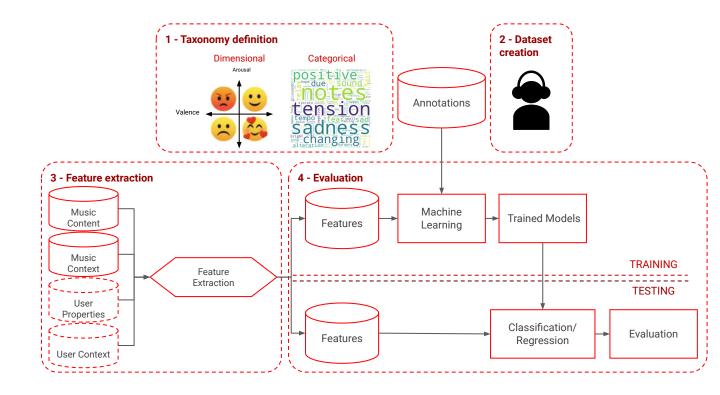
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- Ambiguity ≒ Granularity

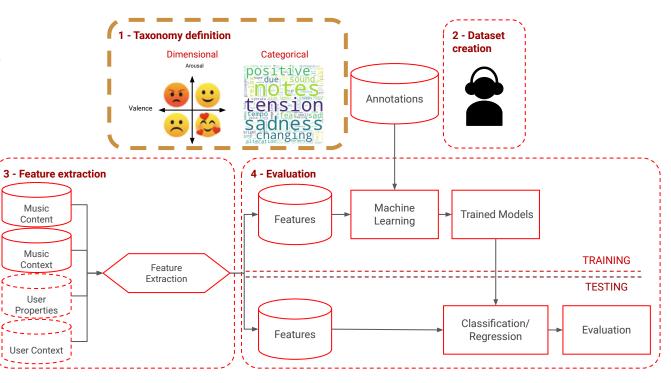


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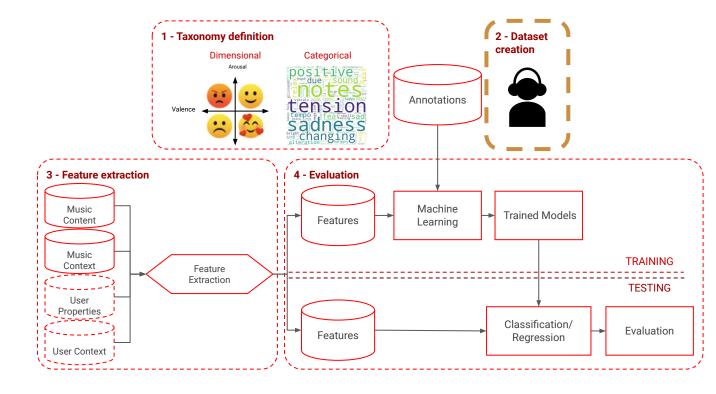
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- Categories? Granularity?
- Time variation?
- Excerpt length?



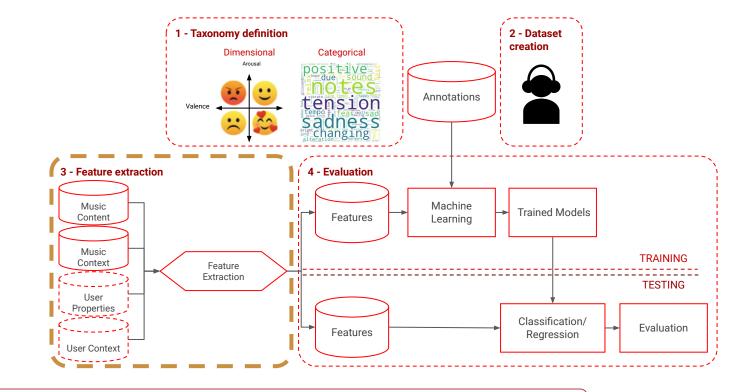
Step 2:

- Listening tests
- Annotation
- Cognitive load



Step 3:

- Music content
- Music context
- User properties
- User context

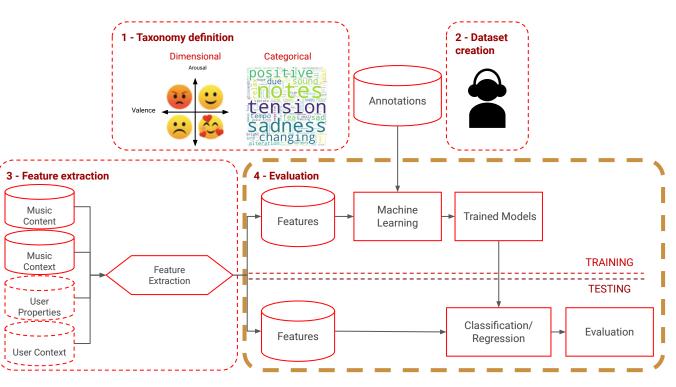


Reference:

Schedl, M., Flexer, A., Urbano, J. **The neglected user in music information retrieval research.** Journal of Intelligent Information Systems, 41, pp. 523-539, 2013.

Step 4:

- Assemble + split
- Taxonomy → approach:
 - o D: Regression
 - o C: Classification
- Test metrics



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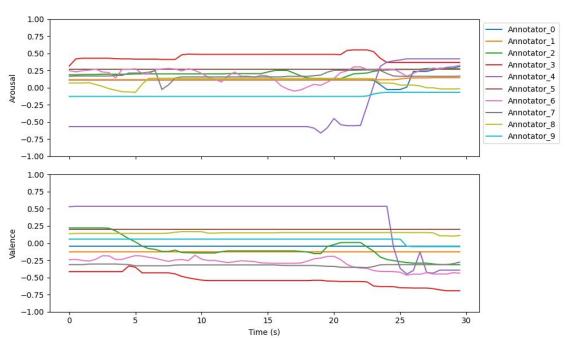
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Arousal, Valence **⊂** [-1, 1]

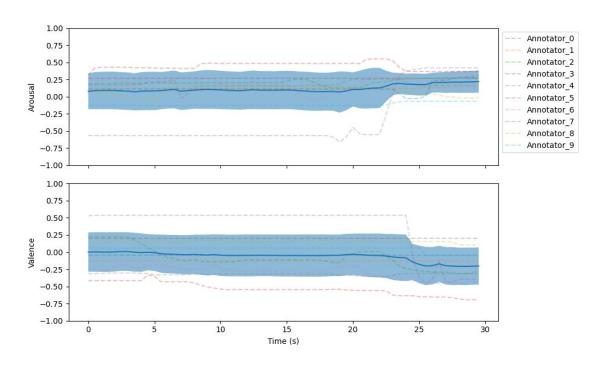
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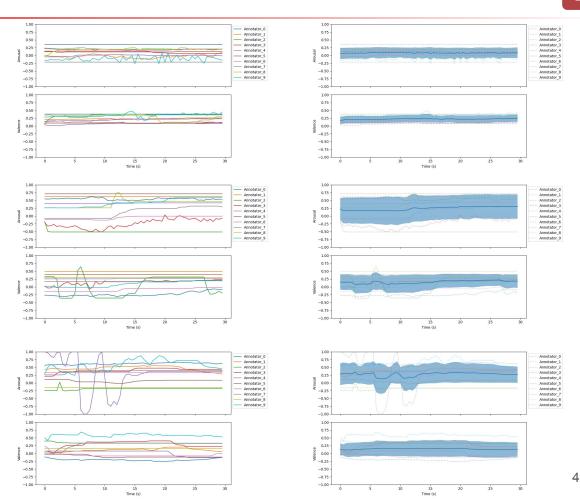




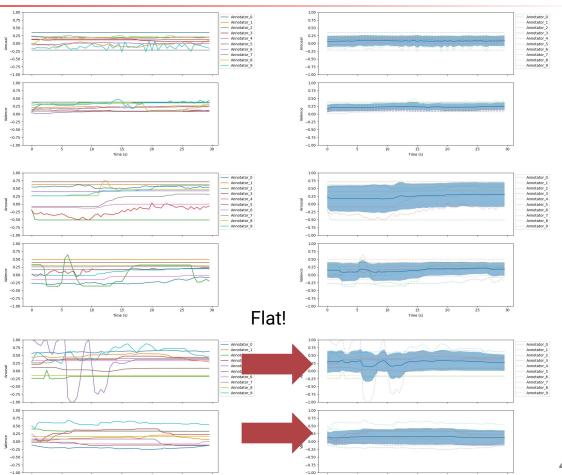
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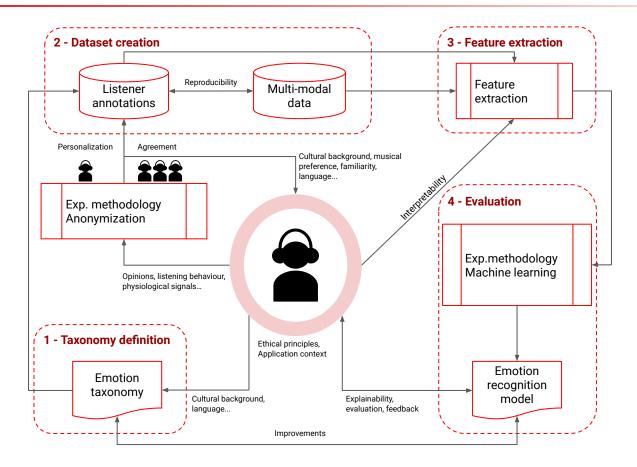
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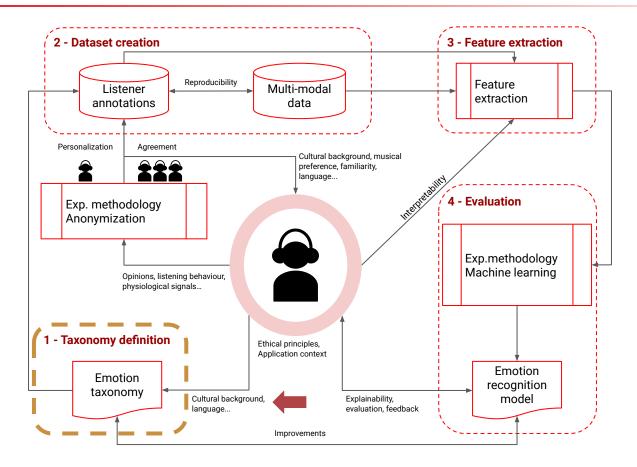
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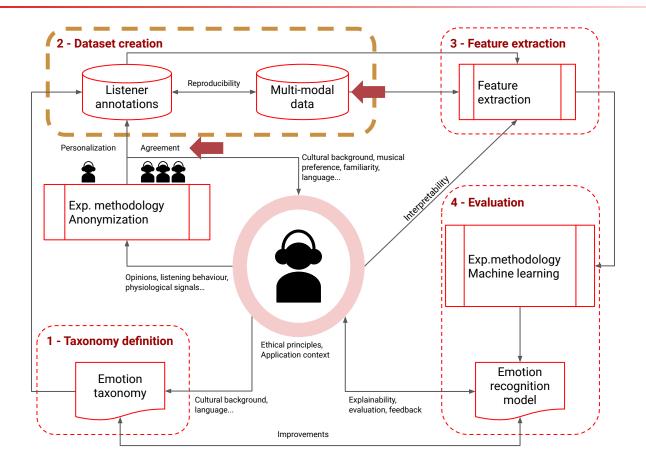


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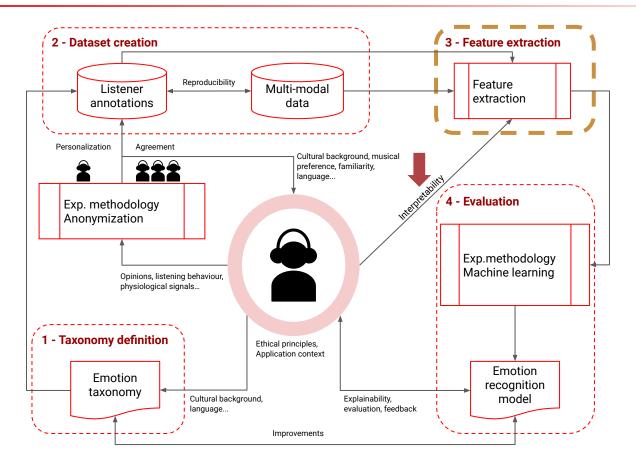


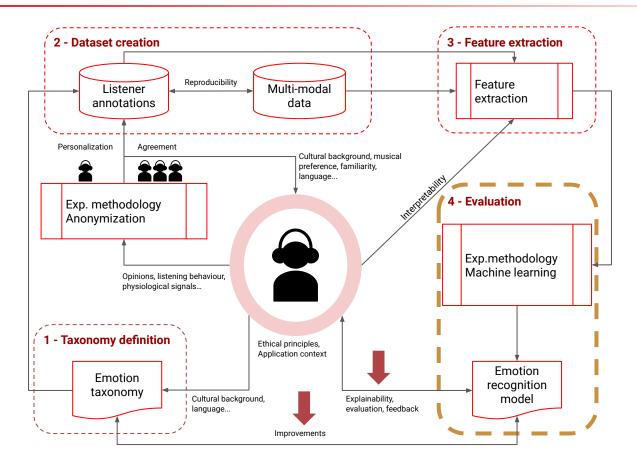


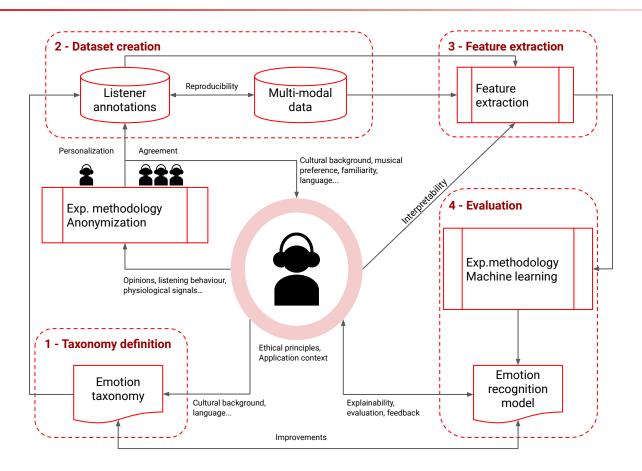




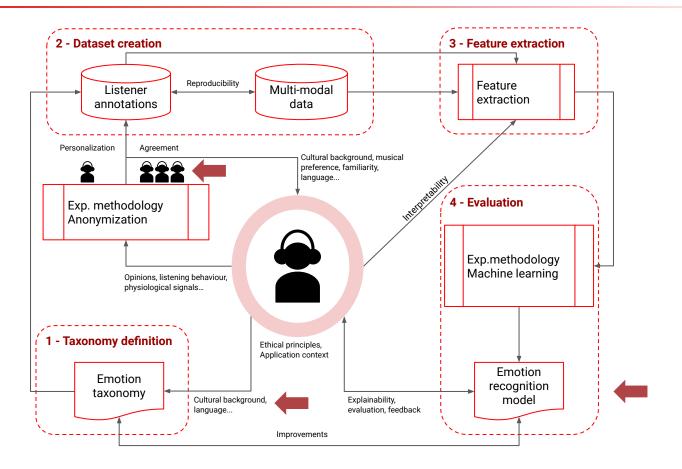
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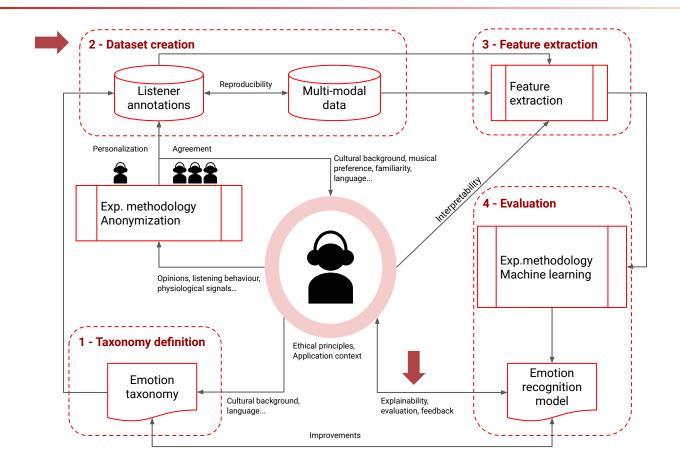


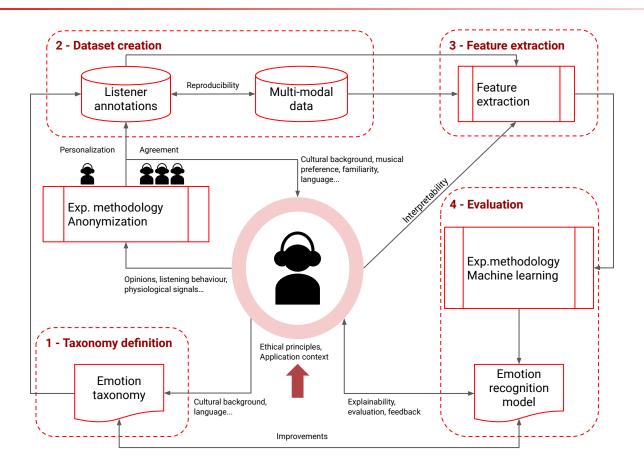












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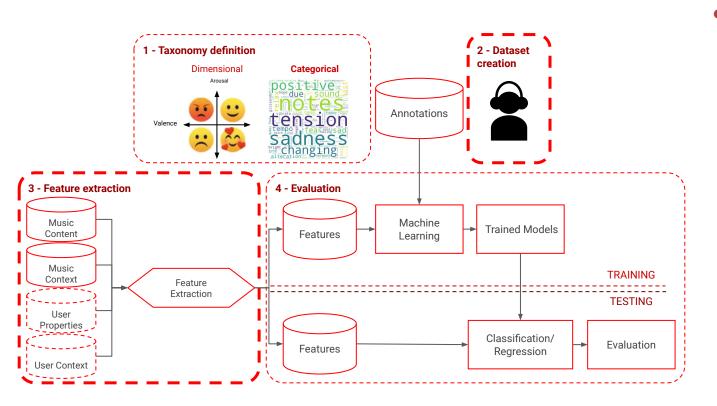
Motivation

- Subjectivity is a complex issue (Schedl et al, 2018) → Eroica symphony
- Pop and rock music agreement by language?
- Group-based MER

Research questions

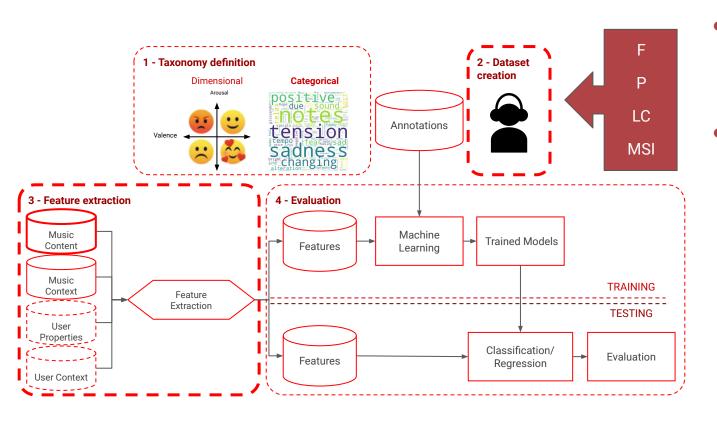
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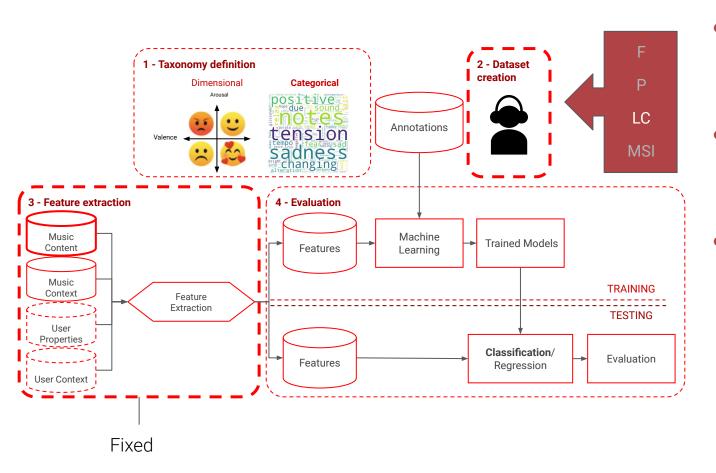


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- 22 excerpts
- 11 categories
- 4 languages
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 Mandarin)



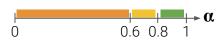
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- Evaluation:
 - Clusterability
 - Group and classify
 - Support vector machines

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Multi-label and group-based classification

- Up to 18 percentage points improvement in F1-scores
- Group-based models < general models
 - Except lyrics comprehension!

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An attempt for language-sensitive MER

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https://github.com/juansgomez87/quad-pred

Gómez-Cañón, Cano, Pandrea, Herrera & Gómez. *Language-sensitive music emotion recognition models: are we really there yet?* Proceedings of ICASSP 2021, pp. 576-580.



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Motivation

- Speech as source of data (Coutinho & Schuller, 2017)
- If language is important, can we use it somehow?

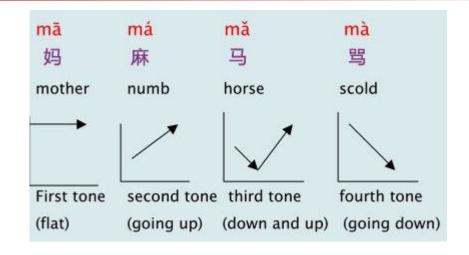
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Transfer learning to create language-sensitive models?

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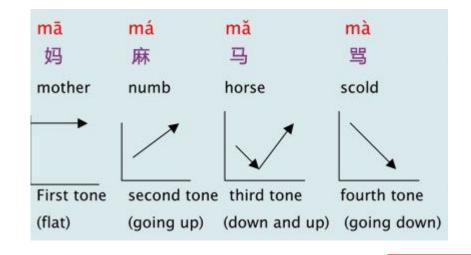


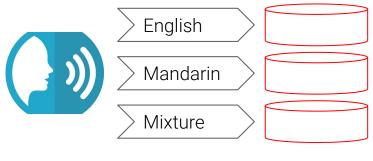
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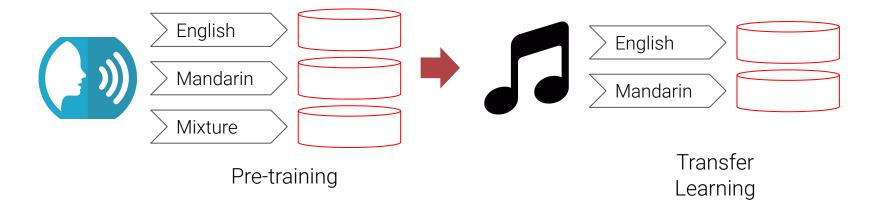




Pre-training

Reference: Purves, D. Music as biology: the tones we like and why. Harvard University Press, 2017.

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- Two general settings:
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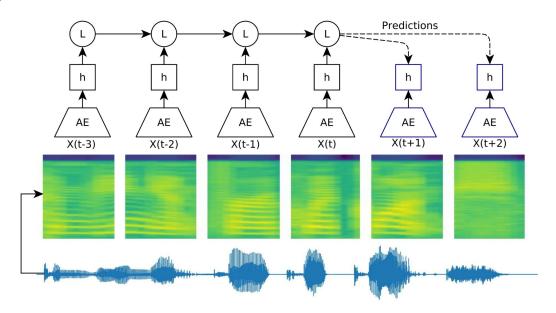


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Un-, self-supervised learning

- Sparse Convolutional Autoencoder
 - SCAE Feature Extractor
 - SCAE Full
- Contrastive Predictive Coding
 - CPC Feature Extractor
 - o CPC Full
- Multi-task learning



No meaningful features are transferred

• Eng2eng and man2man do not outperform other models

Diversity in pre-training data

Mix2eng and mix2man improve performance

Research questions

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Active learning for personalized MER

Publication:

Gómez-Cañón, Cano, Yang, Herrera & Gómez. Let's agree to disagree: consensus entropy active learning for personalized music emotion recognition. Proceedings of ISMIR 2021, pp. 237-245.



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 - Use of active learning (Su & Fung, 2012)

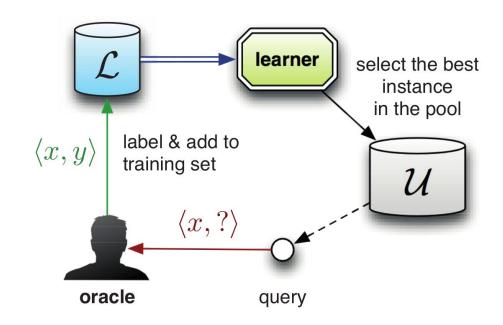
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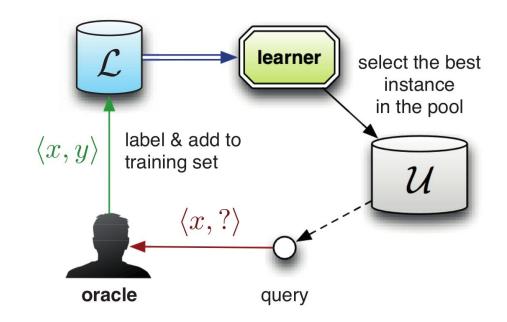
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- Can agreement be used as input?
- Which ML algorithms can be personalized?

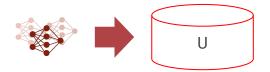
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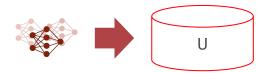
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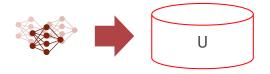
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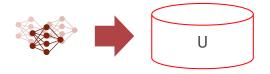
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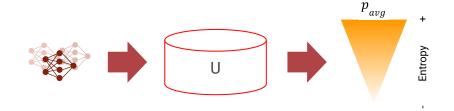
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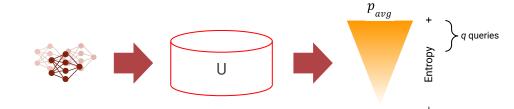
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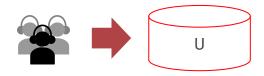
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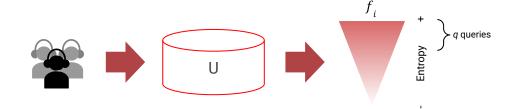
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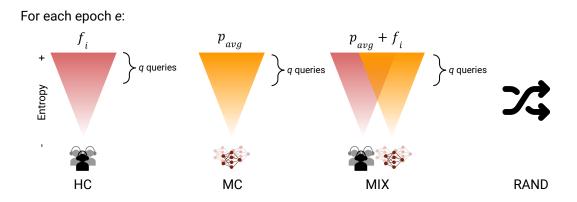
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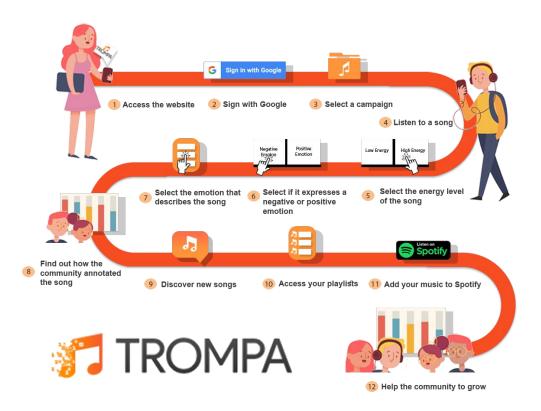
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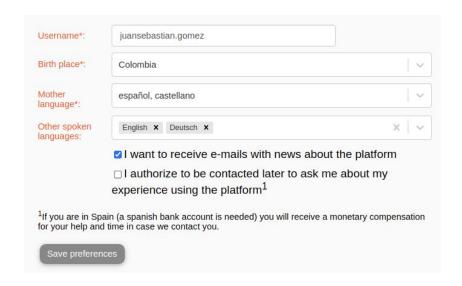
- Consensus entropy works!
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- Datasheet to a MER dataset (Gebru et al., 2021)
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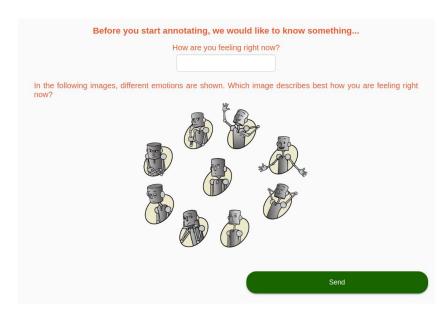
Music enthusiasts platform

- TROMPA EU project
- Musical training
- Diverse annotations
 - Perceived, induced, free-text, native language..
- Reasoning behind annotations
- Explicit feedback
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 - Music recommendation





Individual differences (English, Spanish, Italian, Dutch, Mandarin)

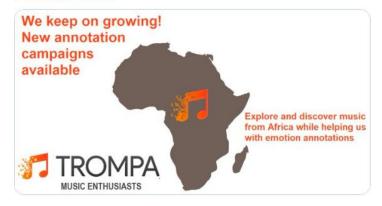


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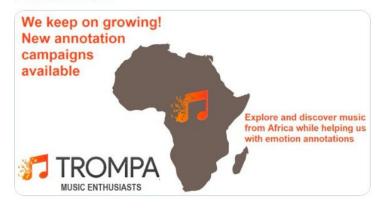
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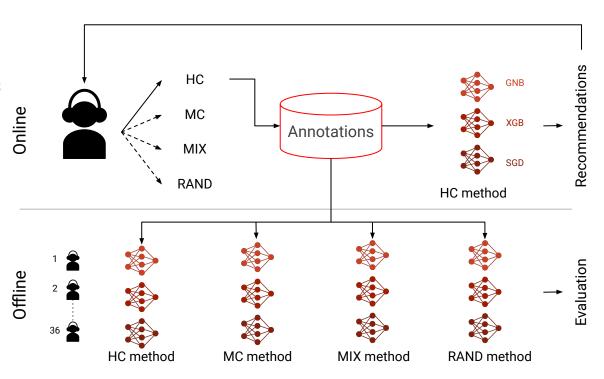
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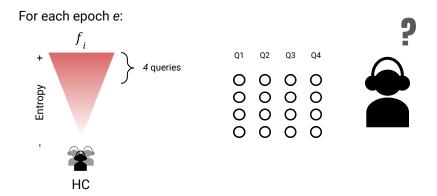
- Random assignment
- Personalized recommendations
- CNN not viable
 - o GNB, SGD, XGB

Offline evaluation

- 36 users, over 80 annotations
- All methods
- Evaluate q and e

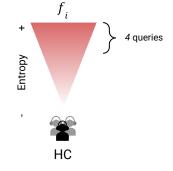


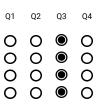
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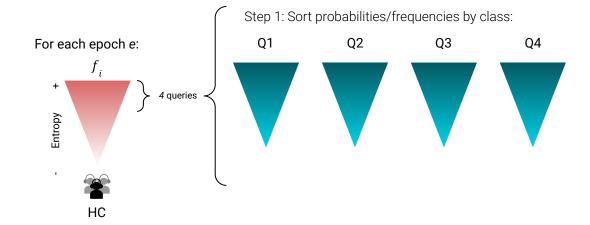






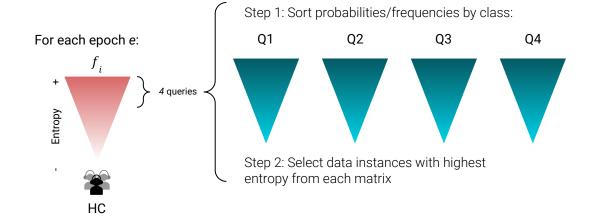
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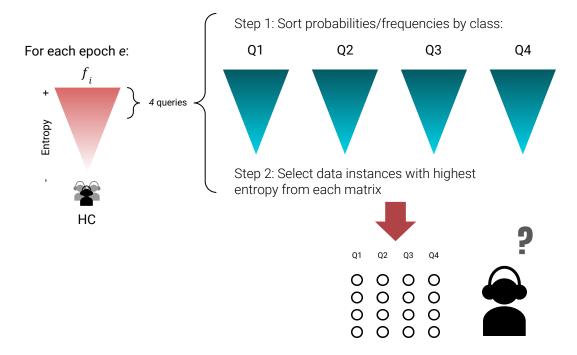
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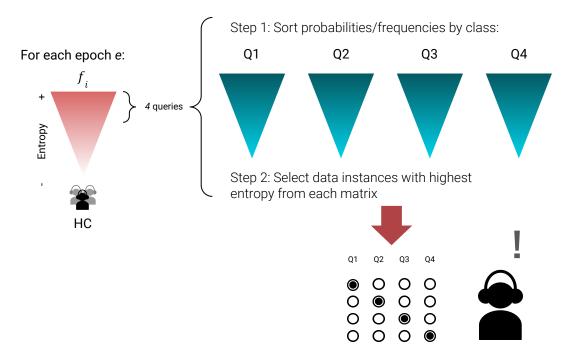


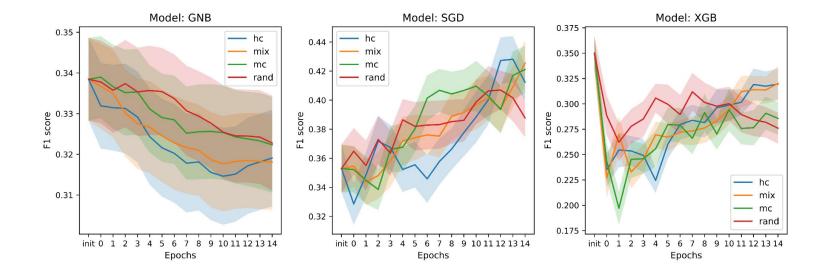
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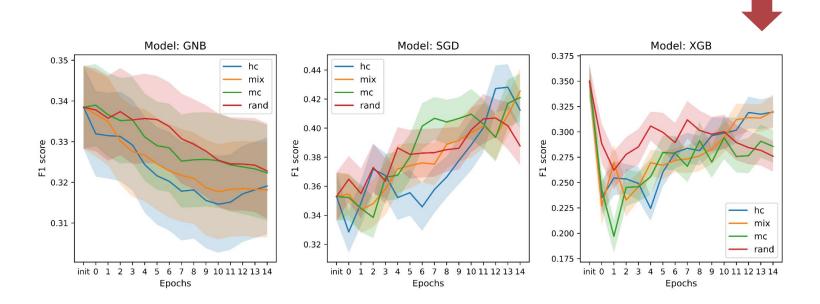
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- q = k x num_class





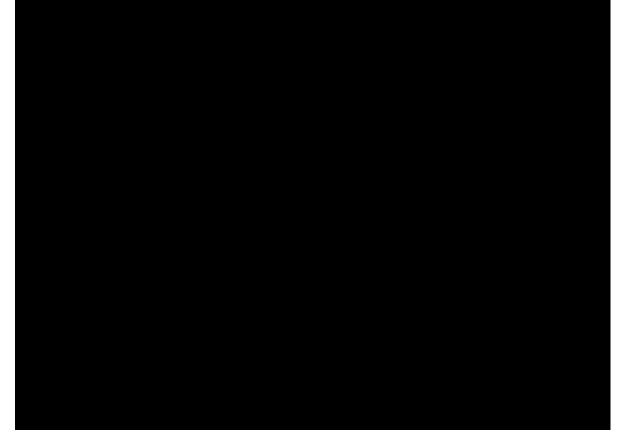
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Generalized lack of agreement

- Illusion of universality → averaging
- Listeners get confused
- Enriched dataset → greater response diversity
 - Broad AV → perceived emotion
 - Specific, free-text, native → induced emotion

Personalization

- HC and MIX methods are significantly better than RAND
- Embracing subjectivity

Research questions

- Difference in judgment?
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- User profiling?
- Induced emotions goal-directed mechanisms (Lennie & Eerola, 2022)
 - Test psychological theories

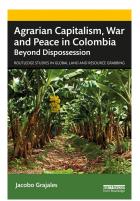
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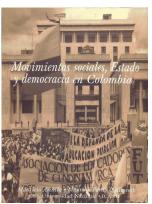
- Do political values affect musically induced emotions?
- Reveal sensitive information from a listener?

Historical context:

- More than 420.000 violent deaths
- 11 million Colombians displaced
- Illegal armies left-wing FARC and right-wing AUC
- Political identities:
 - Not-so-popular music (?)
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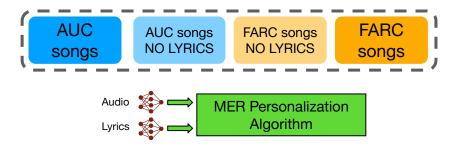
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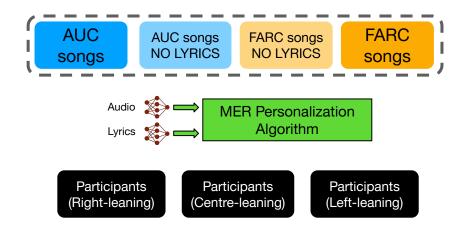
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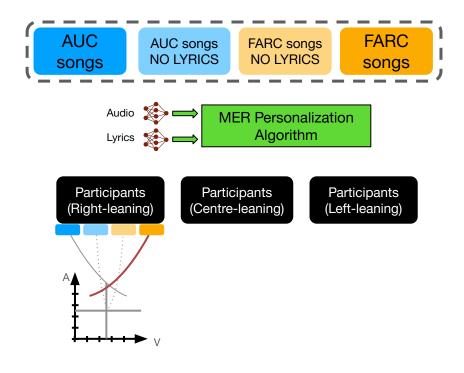


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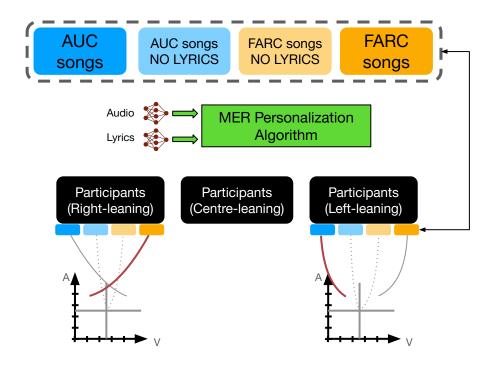


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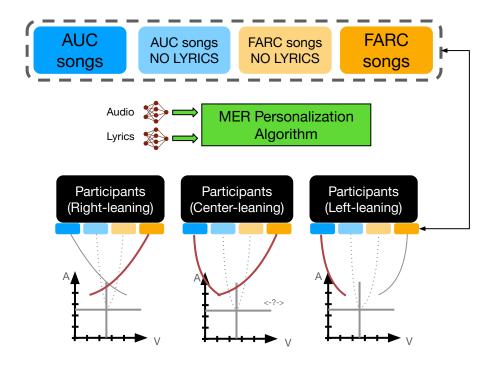


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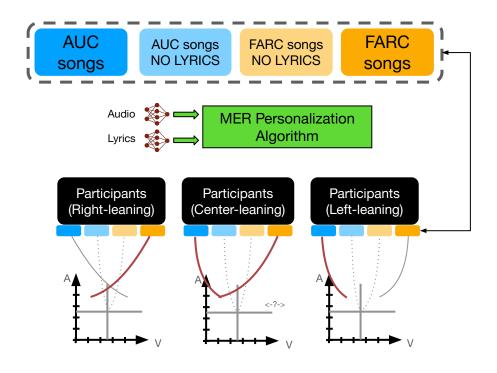


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Plato, Republic Book III (307 BCE)

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