

# Music Mood Classification: From a Music Piece to a Computed Mood



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# Motivation

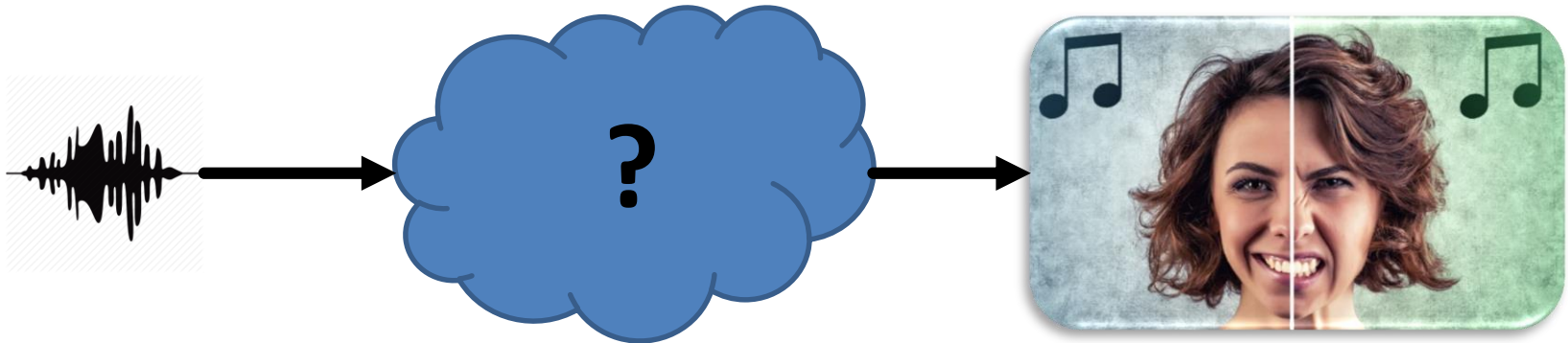
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# Motivation – Game Development

Suitable music  
to a specific situation ...



... but too much to handle manually!

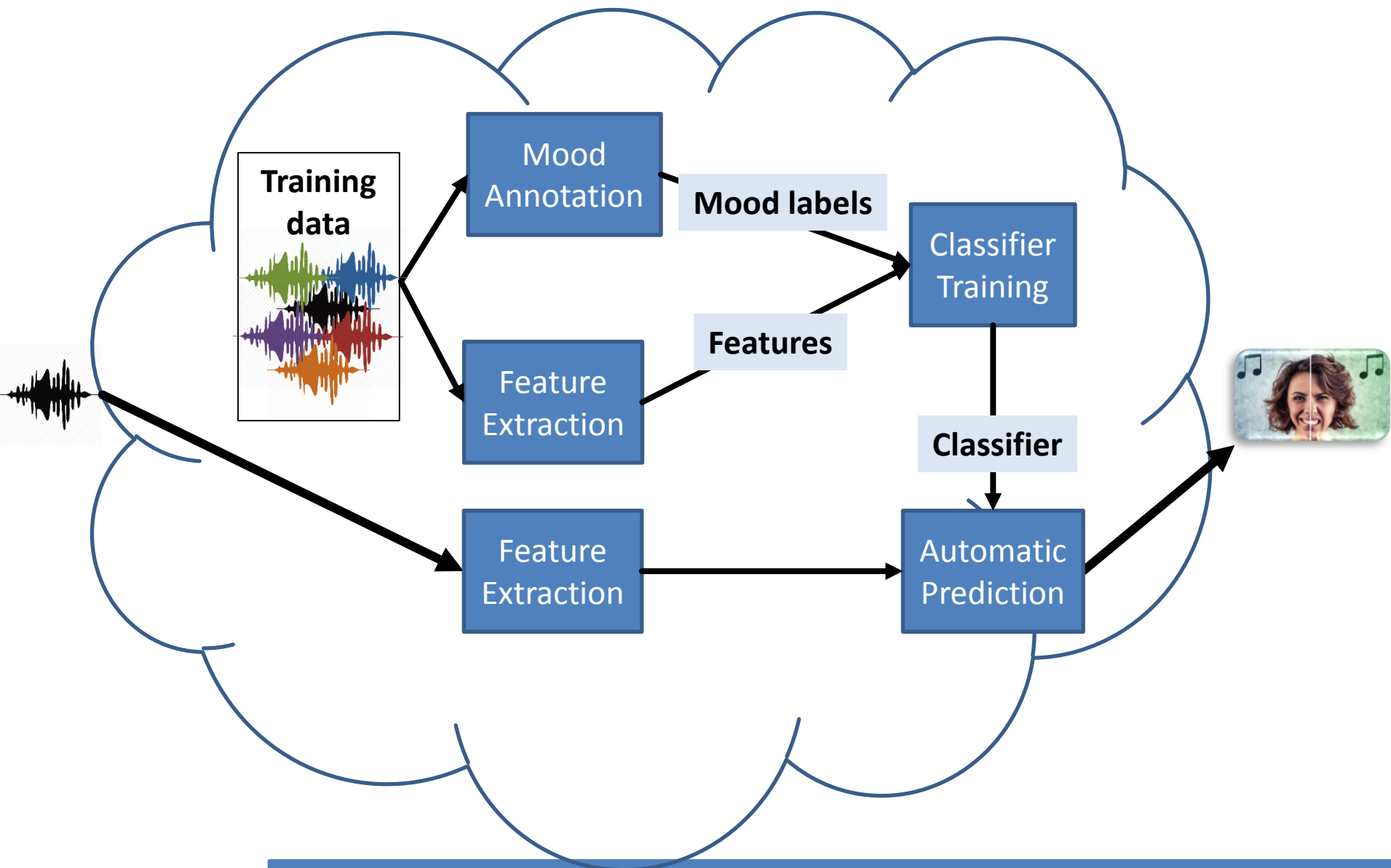


✓ Motivation

# ➤ State of the Art

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# State of the Art – Music Mood Classification



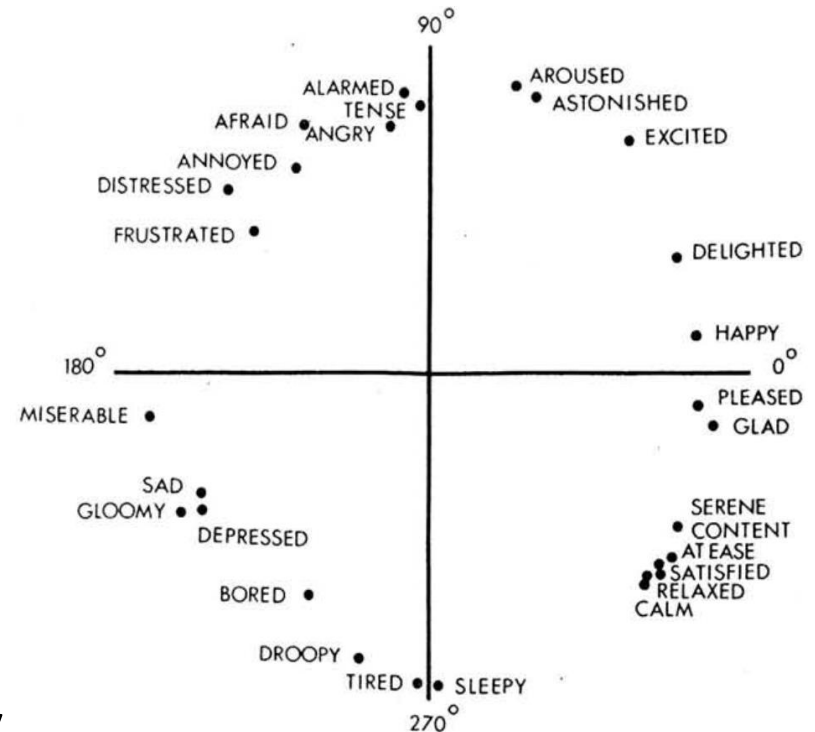
# State of the Art – Emotion Models

- Active topic in psychology research [1]
- Categorical vs. Dimensional

<u>Group 1</u>	<u>Group 3</u>	<u>Group 6</u>
satisfying	dreamy	happy
quiet	sentimental	cheerful
...	...	...
...	...	...

*Hevner's adjective checklist [2]*

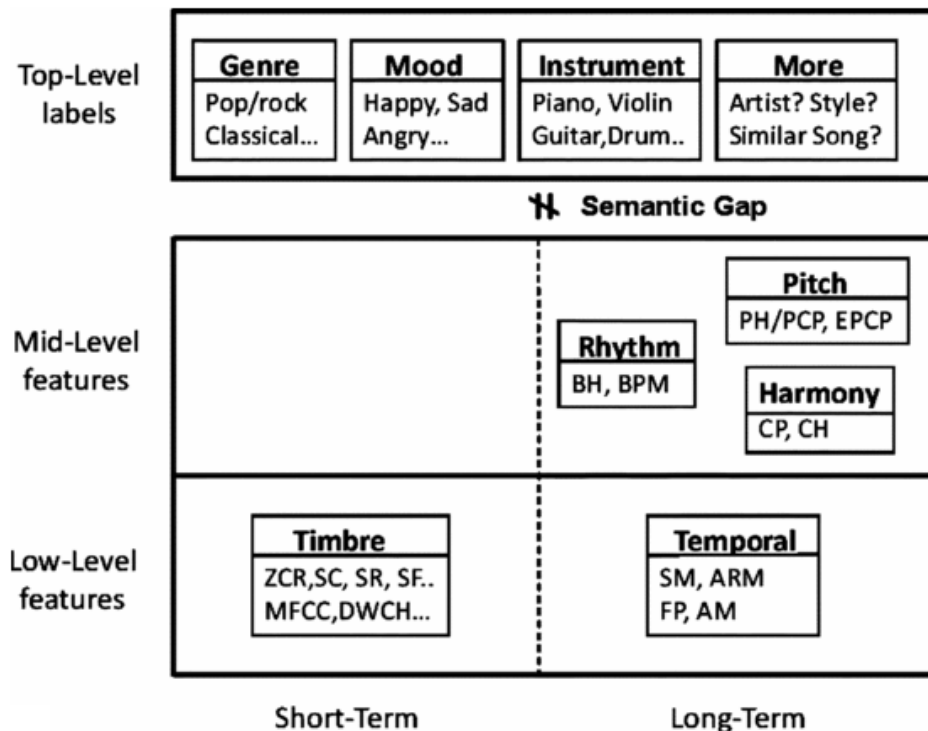
- Problems
  - No standards
  - Oversimplification / Ambiguity
  - Distinction



*Circumplex Model [3]*

# State of the Art – Music Features

- *"Any classification system is only as good as the features that it receives."* [4]



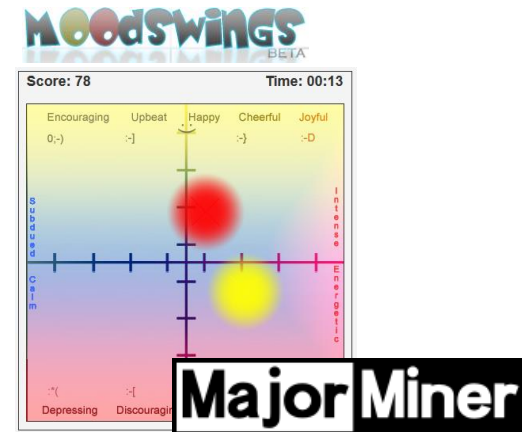
Characterization of audio features [5]





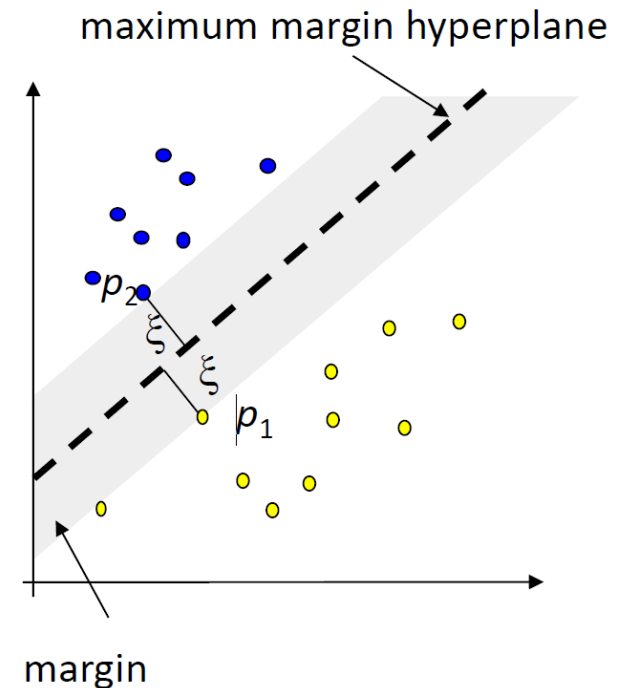
# State of the Art – Ground Truth

- Problems
  - Emotional perception (subjectivity)
  - Emotion annotation (labor-intensive, time consuming)
  - Different mood models and (small) datasets
- How is it done?
  - Experts
  - Social Tagging
  - Annotation Games



# State of the Art – Supervised Machine Learning

- General Problem:
  - Classifier needed to predict labels for unseen data
  - Mapping from feature space to output mood labels
  - Training with ground truth data
- Most popular classifier:
  - Support Vector Machine (SVM)



*Support Vector Machines: Principle [6]*

# State of the Art – Different Types of Labeling

Single-  
**class**  
labeling

Multi-  
**class**  
labeling

Single-  
**modal**  
labeling

Multi-  
**modal**  
labeling



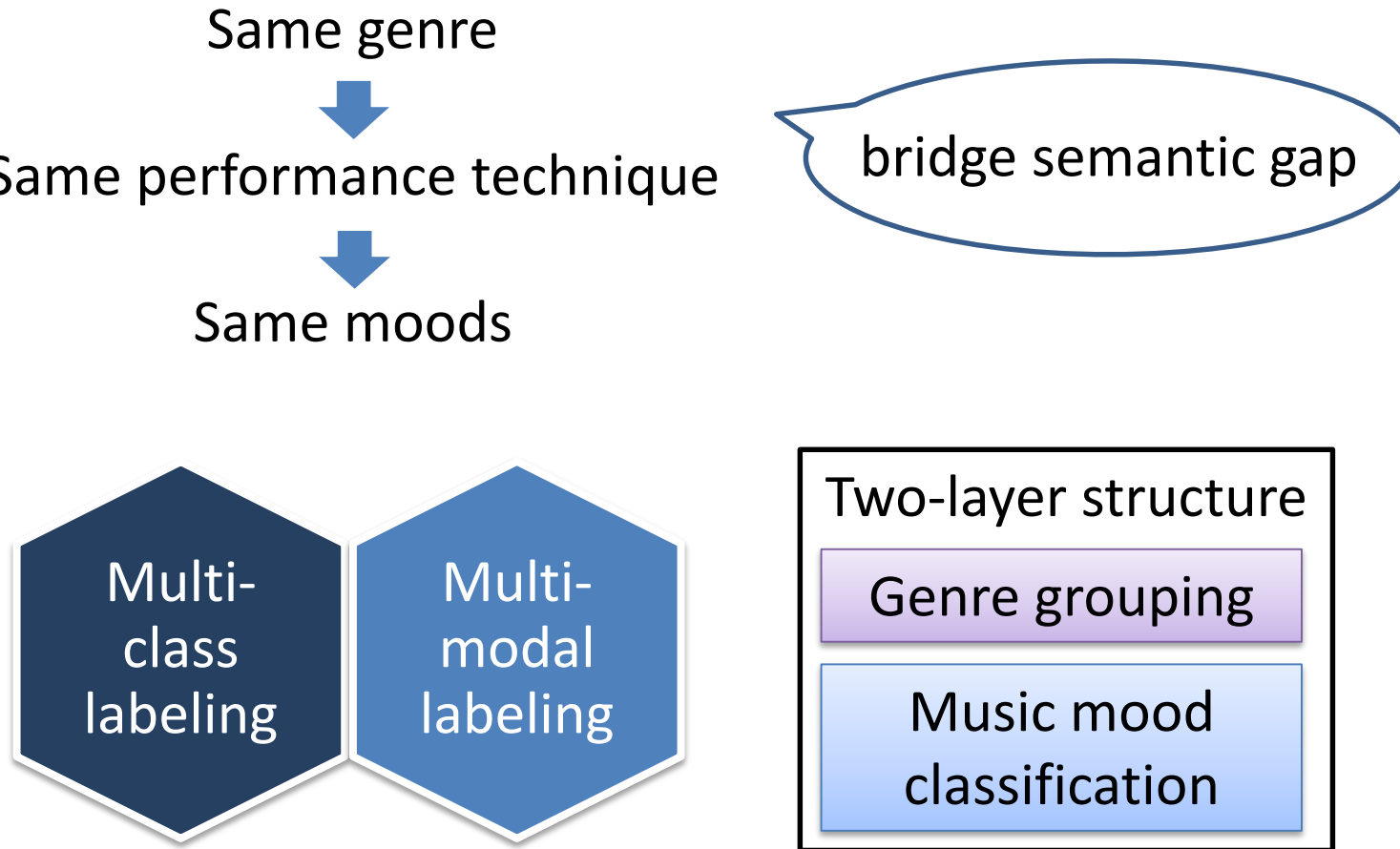
Variety of approaches!

- ✓ Motivation
- ✓ State of the Art

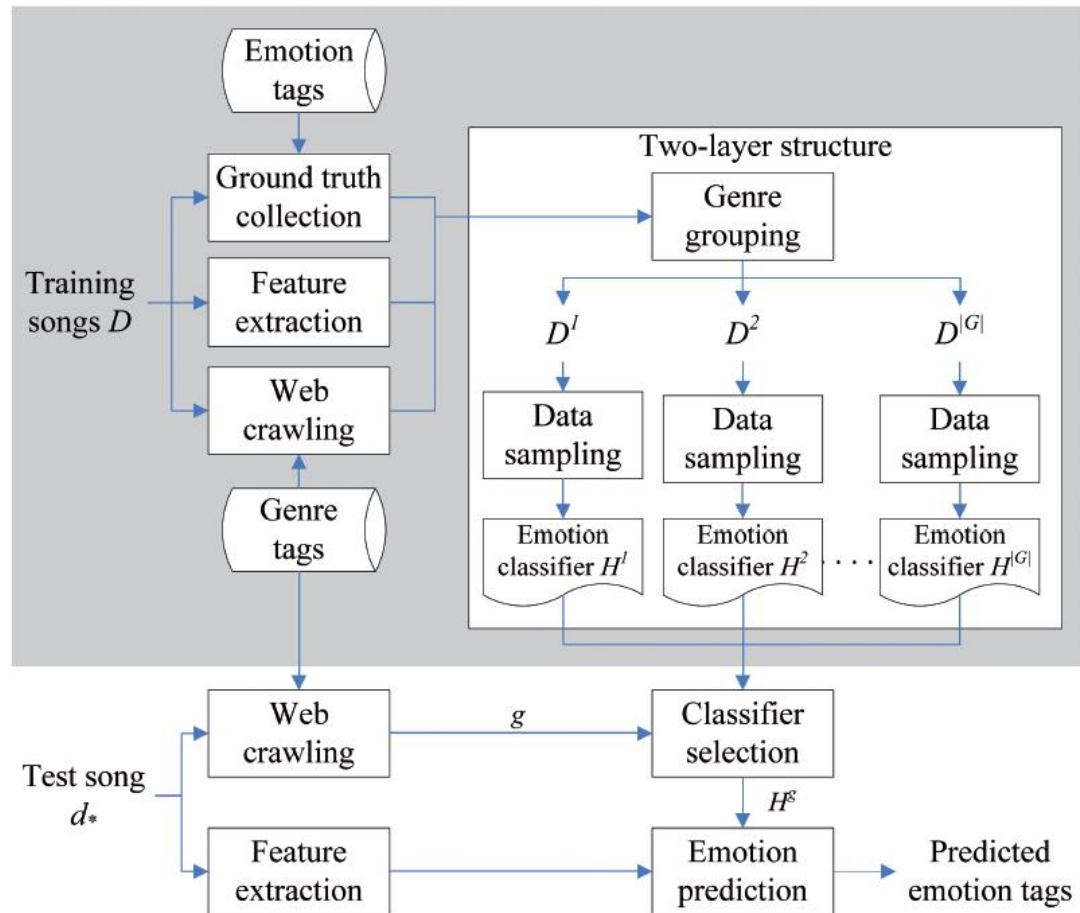
# ➤ Exemplary Approach

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- "Exploiting Online Music Tags for Music Emotion Classification" [7]

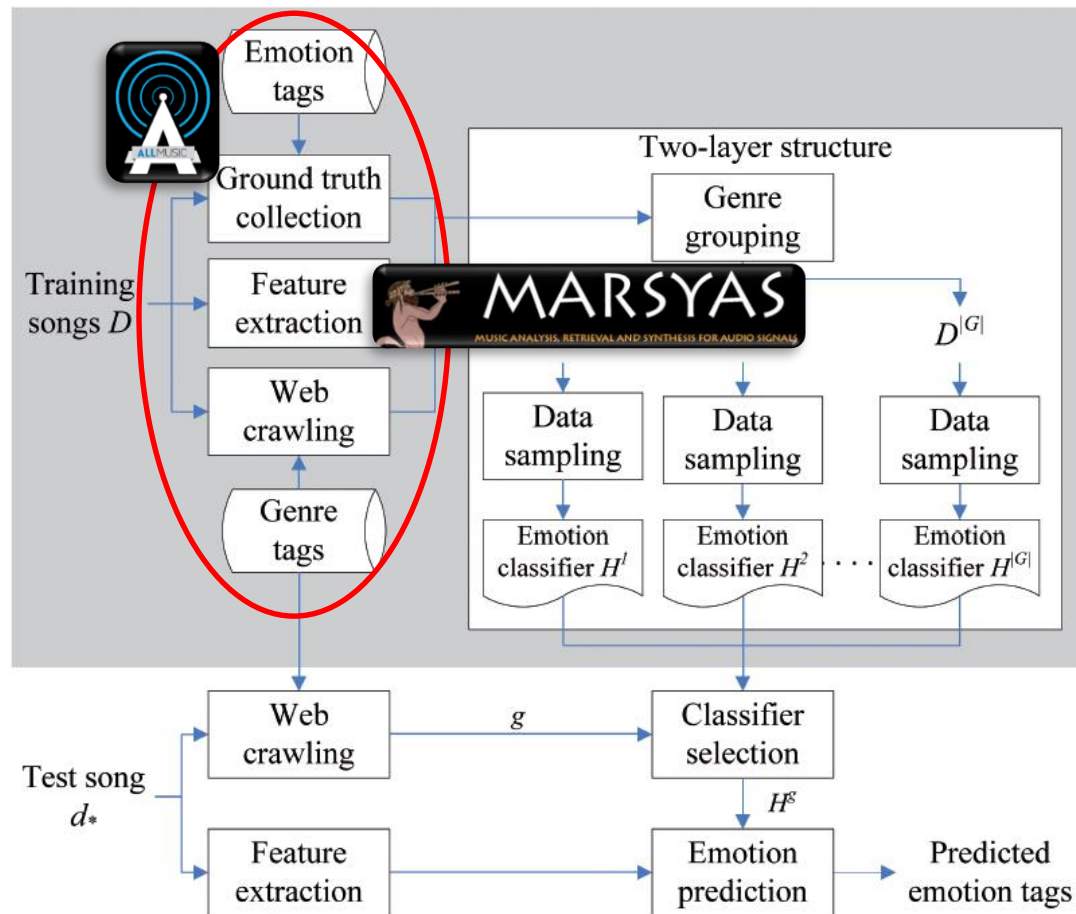


# Exemplary Approach – Methods: System Overview

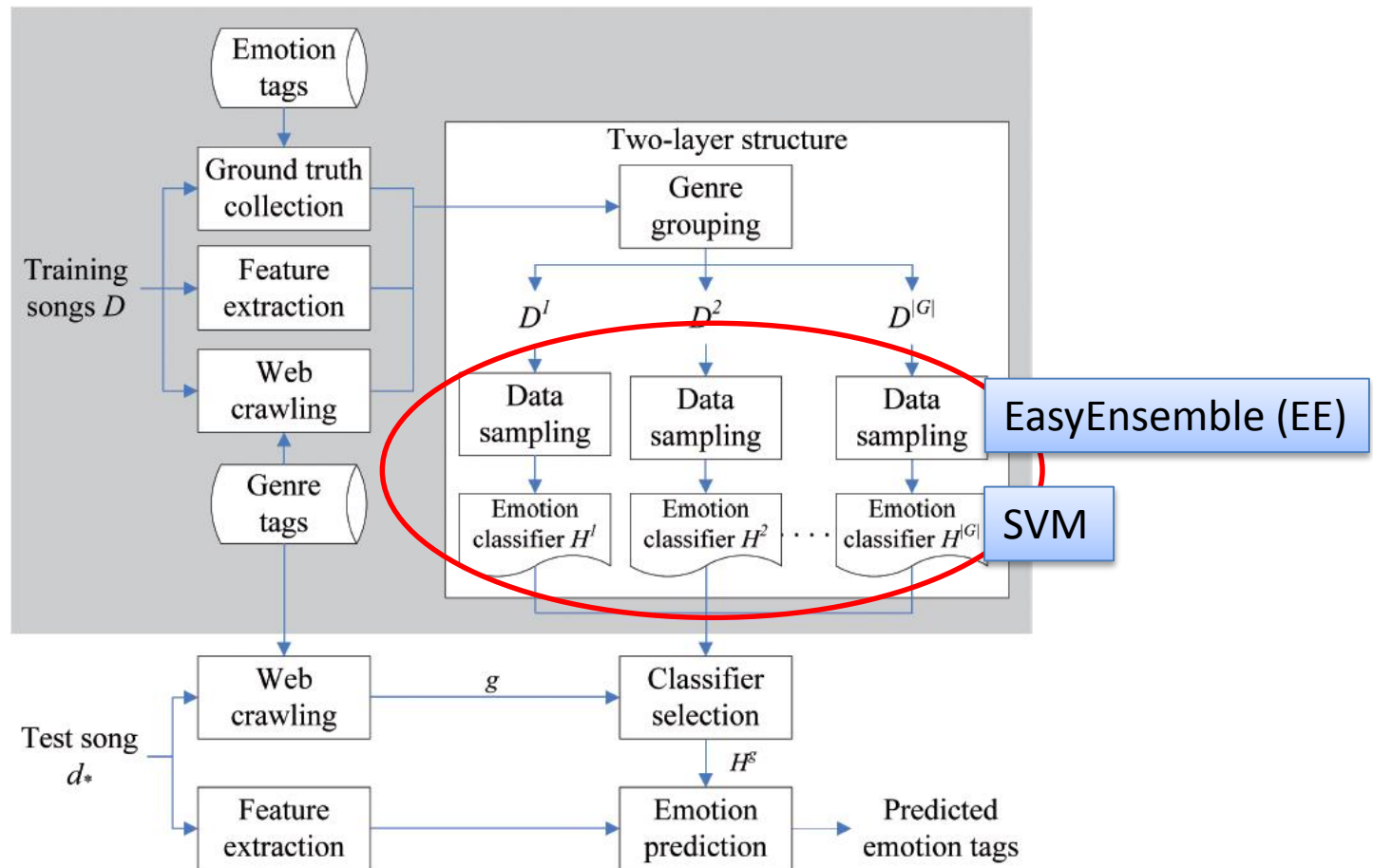


System diagram [7]

# Exemplary Approach – Methods: Ground Truth & Features



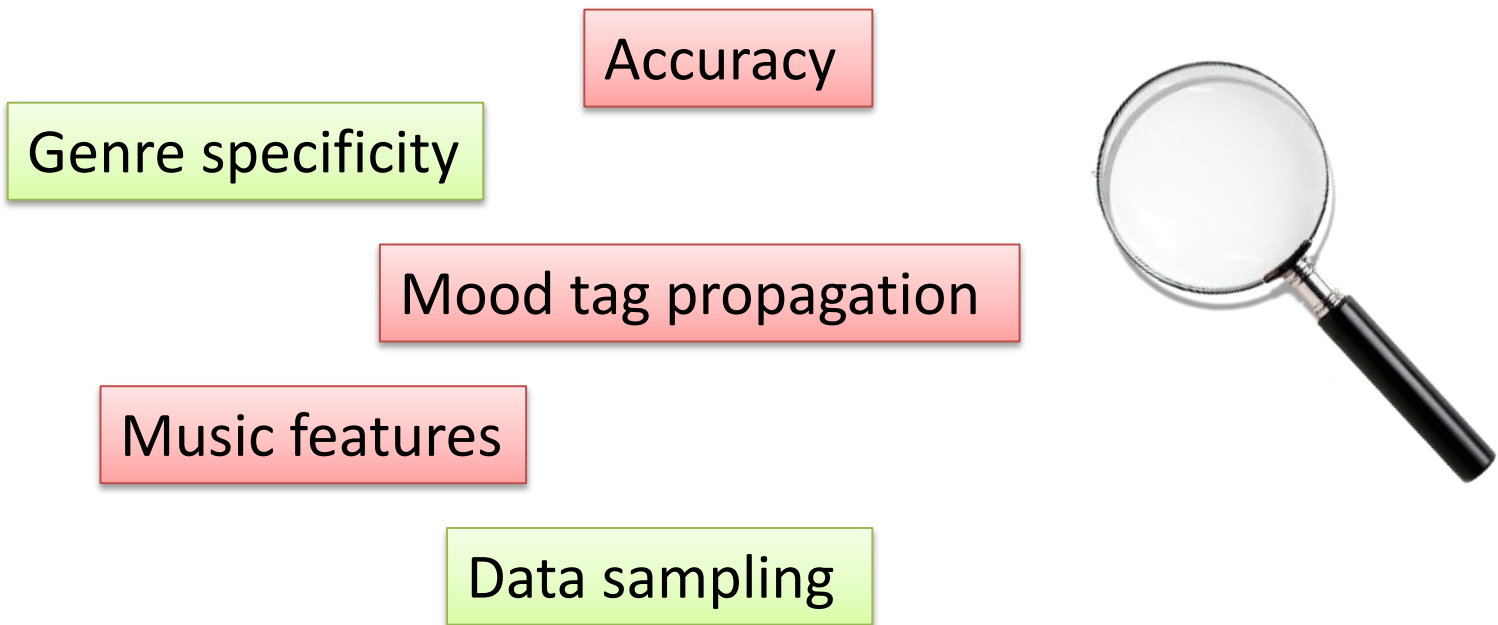
# Exemplary Approach – Methods: Sampling and Classification





# Exemplary Approach – Results & Review

- Genre-specific characteristics of songs (similarity)
- Improvement of the average F-score from 0.23 to 0.36



➔ One exemplary 'successful' approach with **lack of comparability**

- ✓ Motivation
- ✓ State of the Art
- ✓ Exemplary Approach

# ➤ Conclusion

# Conclusion

- Need for computing moods from music pieces
- Variety of solutions
- Best systems use a combination of features and information from multiple domains
- Open issues regarding its multidisciplinary nature
- Research field is quite young



**➔ Great potential and basis for further research!**

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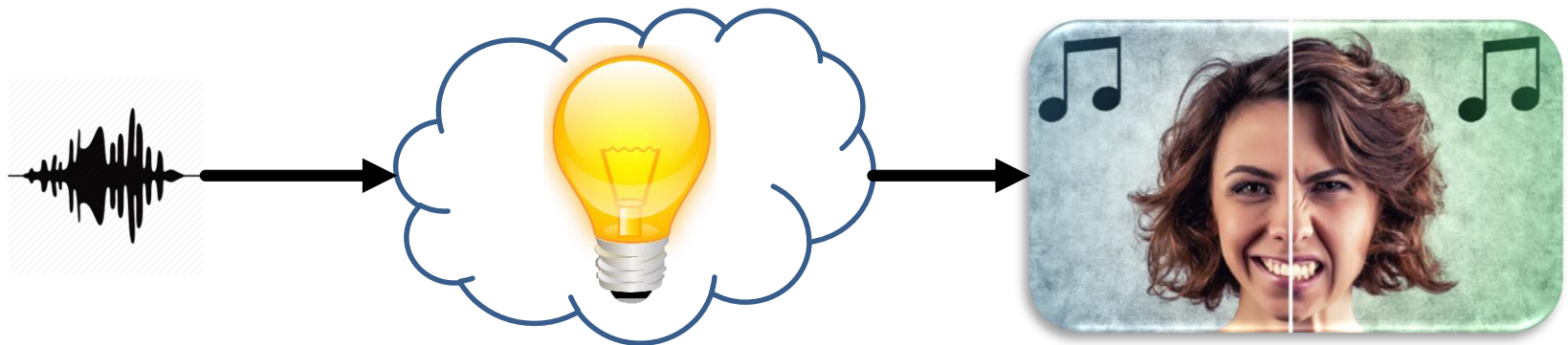
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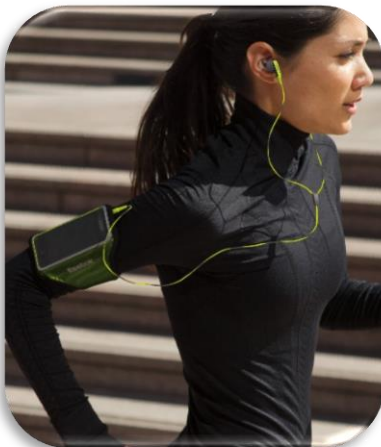


- Personalized systems with individual profiling

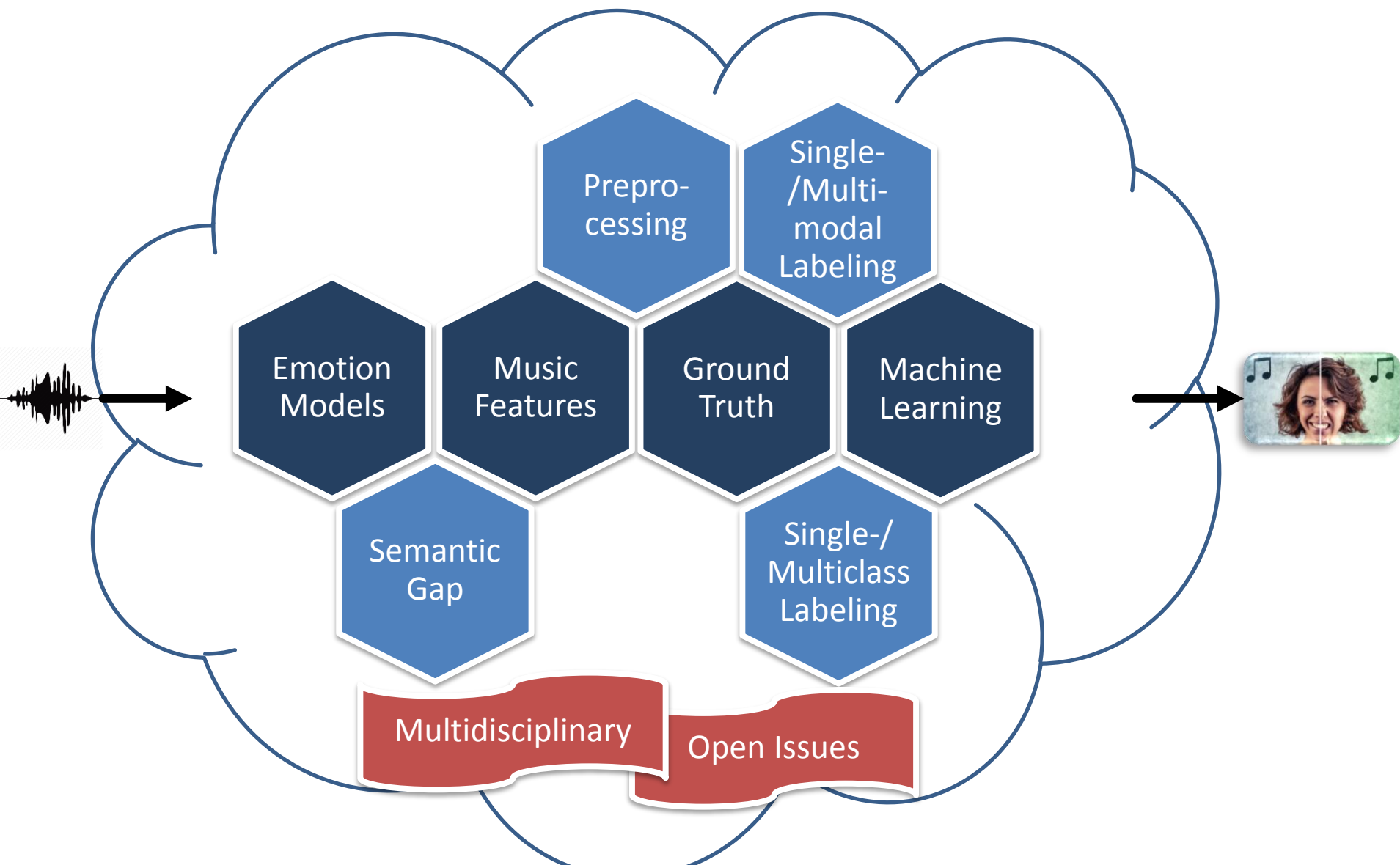
- Consider



- Applications

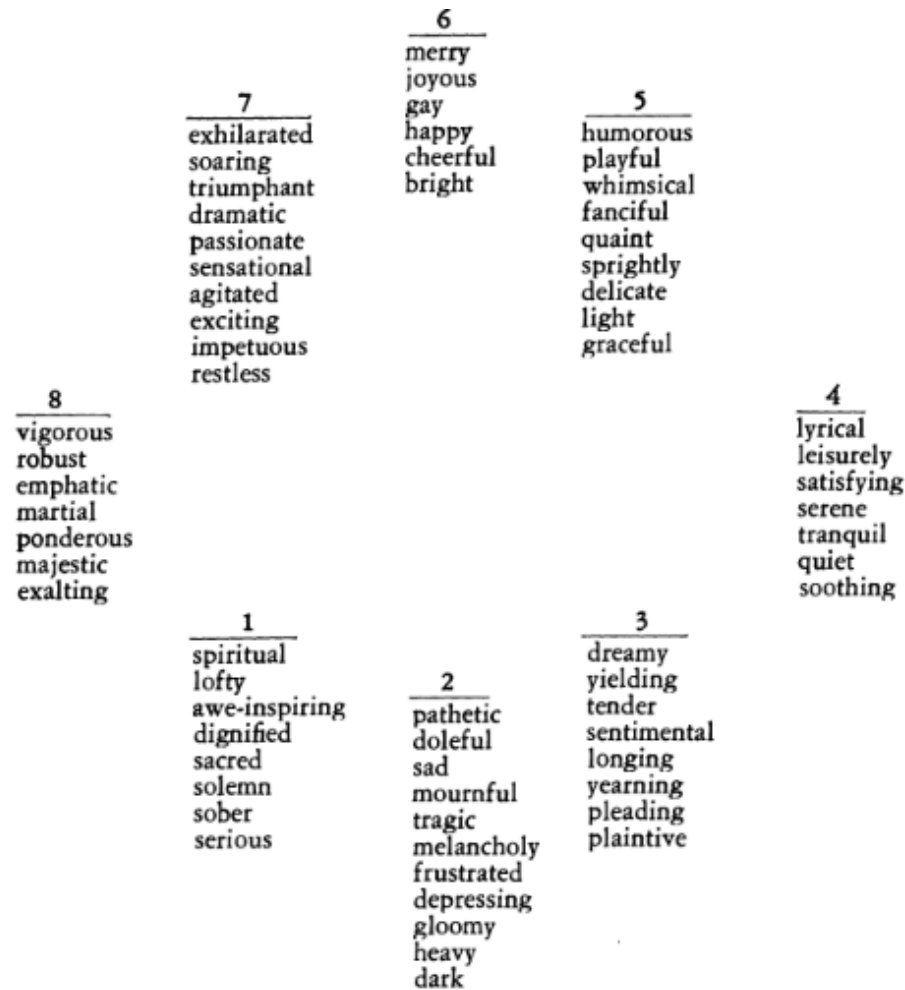


# Appendix – Music Mood Classification (Several Parts)





# Appendix – Hevner's Emotion Model



*Hevner's adjective checklist [2]*

## Appendix – MIREX Mood Cluster

Cluster1	Cluster2	Cluster3	Cluster4	Cluster5
Rowdy	Amiable/ Good natured	Literate	Witty	Volatile
Rousing		Wistful	Humorous	Fiery
Confident	Sweet	Bittersweet	Whimsical	Visceral
Boisterous	Fun	Autumnal	Wry	Aggressive
Passionate	Rollicking	Brooding	Campy	Tense/anxious
	Cheerful	Poignant	Quirky	Intense
			Silly	

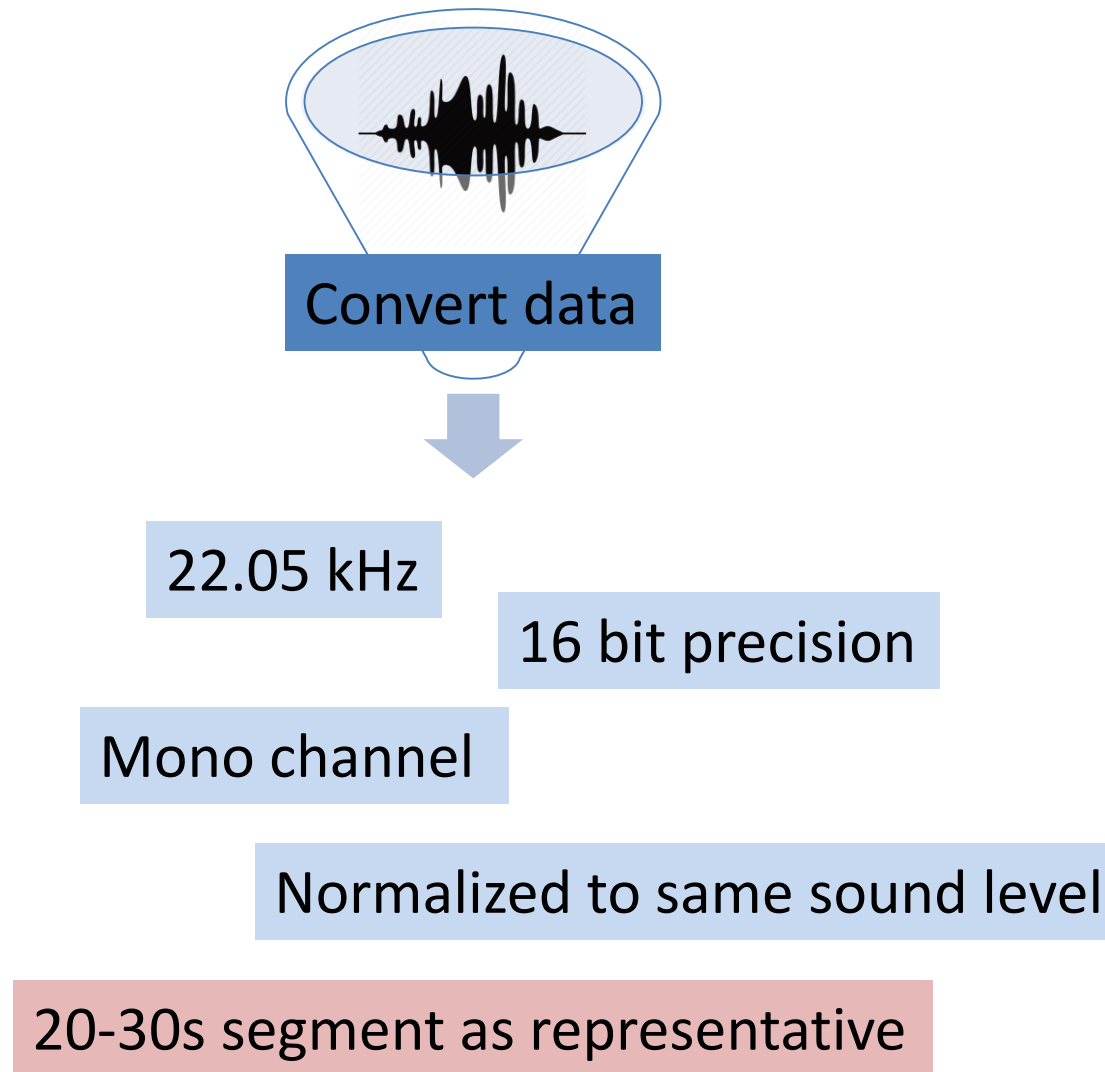
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183 mood classes

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Moods			
Acerbic	Elegant	Mechanical	Sensual
Aggressive	Elegiac	Meditative	Sentimental
Agreeable	Energetic	Melancholy	Serious
Airy	Enigmatic	Menacing	Severe
Ambitious	Epic	Messy	Sexual
Amiable/Good-Natured	Erotic	Mighty	Sexy
Angry	Ethereal	Monastic	Shimmering
Angst-Ridden	Euphoric	Monumental	Silly
Anguished/Distraught	Exciting	Motoric	Sleazy
Angular	Exotic	Mysterious	Slick
Animated	Explosive	Mystical	Smooth
Apocalyptic	Extroverted	Naive	Snide
Arid	Exuberant	Narcotic	Soft/Quiet
Athletic	Fantastic/Fantasy-like	Narrative	Somber
Atmospheric	Feral	Negative	Soothing
Austere	Feverish	Nervous/Jittery	Sophisticated
Autumnal	Fierce	Nihilistic	Spacey

## Appendix – Before Extraction: Preprocessing



## Appendix – Exemplary Approach: Results

- Genre-specific characteristic of songs (similarity)
- Improvement of the average F-score

Classifier	# layer	Precision	Recall	F-score	# tags per album
Random guess	One	0.07	0.59	0.12	106.79
SVM		0.09	0.02	0.03	0.28
SVM+EE		0.12	0.63	0.20	69.24
SVM+EE+TS		0.30	0.19	0.23	7.57
SVM	Two	0.51	0.18	0.27	3.30
SVM+EE		0.14	0.59	0.23	54.75
SVM+EE+TS		0.38	0.35	0.36	11.21

Experimental Result for  
Classifying 183 Emotion  
Classes [7]



System	Precision	Recall	F-score
Random guess	0.39	0.54	0.45
One-layer	0.58	0.61	0.59
Two-layer	0.61	0.65	0.63

Classification Result for the  
Five-Class MIREX Emotion  
Taxonomy [7]