EXTENDED PIPELINE FOR CONTENT-BASED FEATURE ENGINEERING IN MUSIC GENRE RECOGNITION



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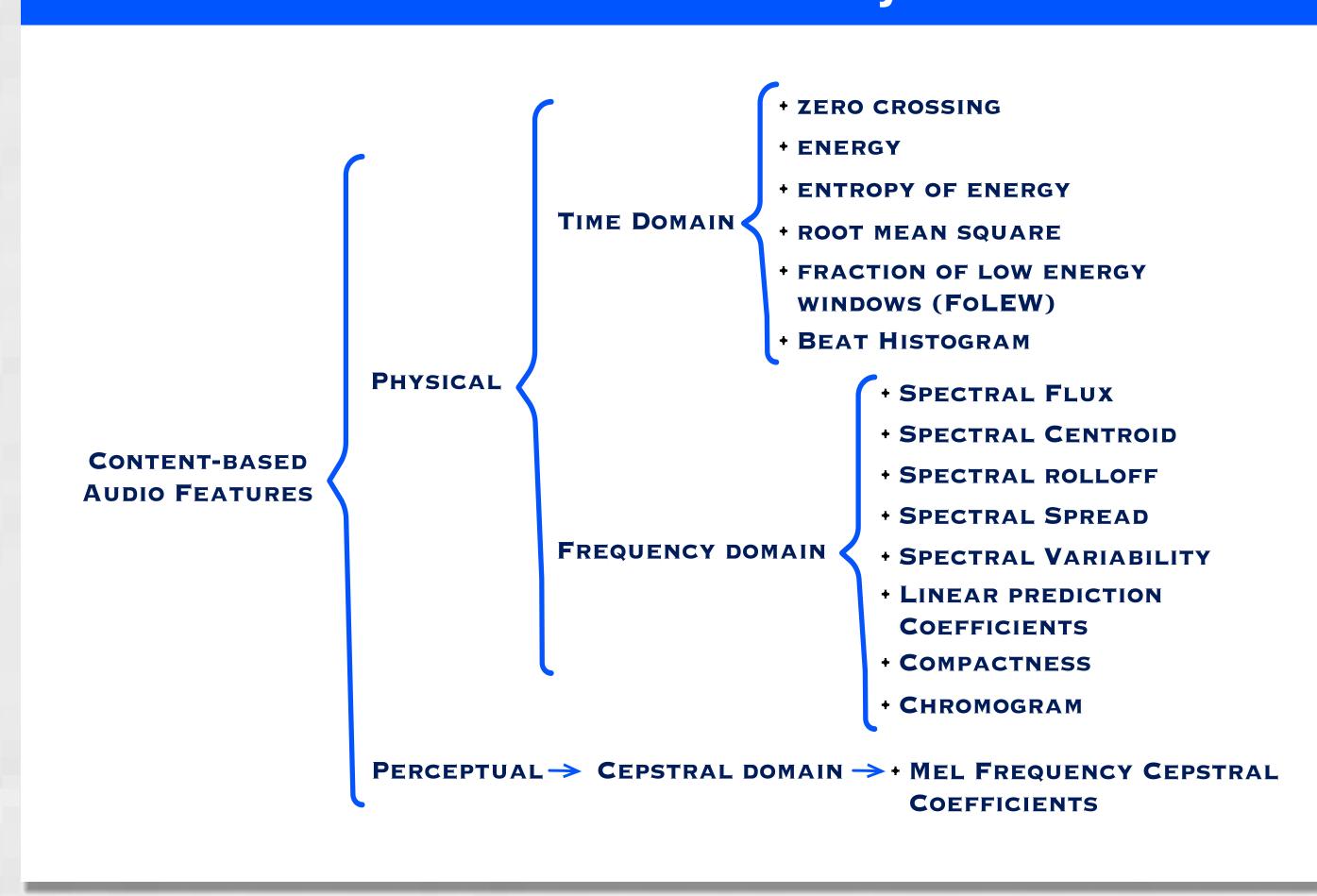
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Research goal

- Development of a suitable representation of the intrinsic characteristics of the musical signal for automatic music genre recognition.
- Extension of the traditional two-step process of extraction and classification with additional independent stages.

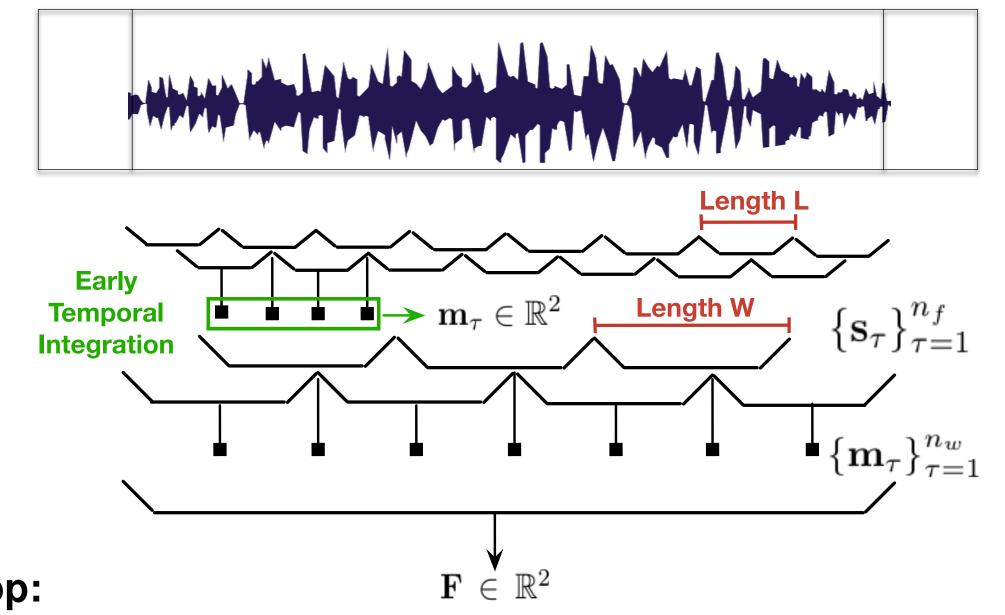
Pipeline (3) (2) Temporal Integration Audio signal Backtrack arrows: (1) Temporal integration loop (2) Autoencoder features (3) Derivatives Forward Arrow: Normalization Decision Function

Content-based Feature Taxonomy



Feature Extraction, and Temporal Integration

Objective: Computation of $F \in \mathbb{R}^2$ for one feature vector, by performing the windowing, feature extraction and temporal integration steps twice.



First loop:

- Windowing: Signal split into analysis frames of L=50 milliseconds.
- Feature extraction: Short-time feature values and their derivatives are extracted [1].
- **Temporal integration**: Application of MeanVar model [2], for medium-time vectors $\mathbf{m}_{\tau} = [\mu_{\tau}, \sigma_{\tau}]^{T}$.

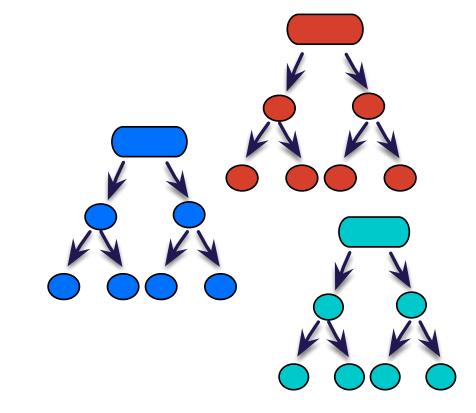
Second loop:

- Windowing: Texture window W = 1 second.
- Feature extraction: Derivation of FoLEW.
- Temporal integration: Vector $\mathbf{F}_k \in \mathbb{R}^2$, as average value of rows of \mathbf{m}_{τ} .

Preprocessing: Feature Selection

Objective: Use the average variation of information entropy during the construction of a *Random Forests*, and select the best features.

- Denote by IG_{ij} the *information gain* of the i-th feature when splitting on j-th node,
- \bullet $IG_i = \sum_{j=1}^{|nodes|} IG_{ij}$ the IG of the feature, averaged over all trees,
- Eliminate the *i*-th feature if $IG_i = 0$.

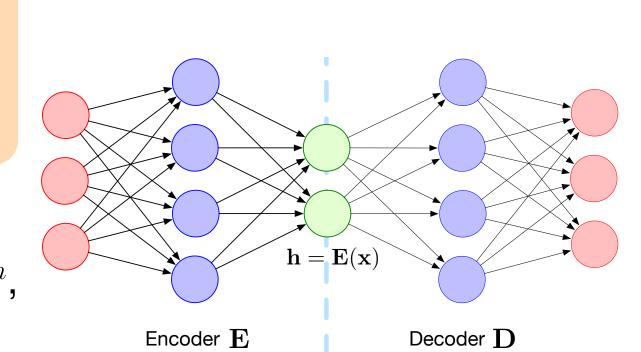


RANDOM FORESTS CLASSIFIER

Feature Extraction: Bottleneck Layer

Objective: Learn a low dimensional representation of the data, using a symmetric *autoencoder*

- ullet Encoder $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{h}$ with input $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$,
- ullet Decoder $\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{h}) = \mathbf{x}'$ with output $\mathbf{x}' \in \mathbb{R}^n$,
- ullet Take the hidden embedding $\mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{R}^d$.



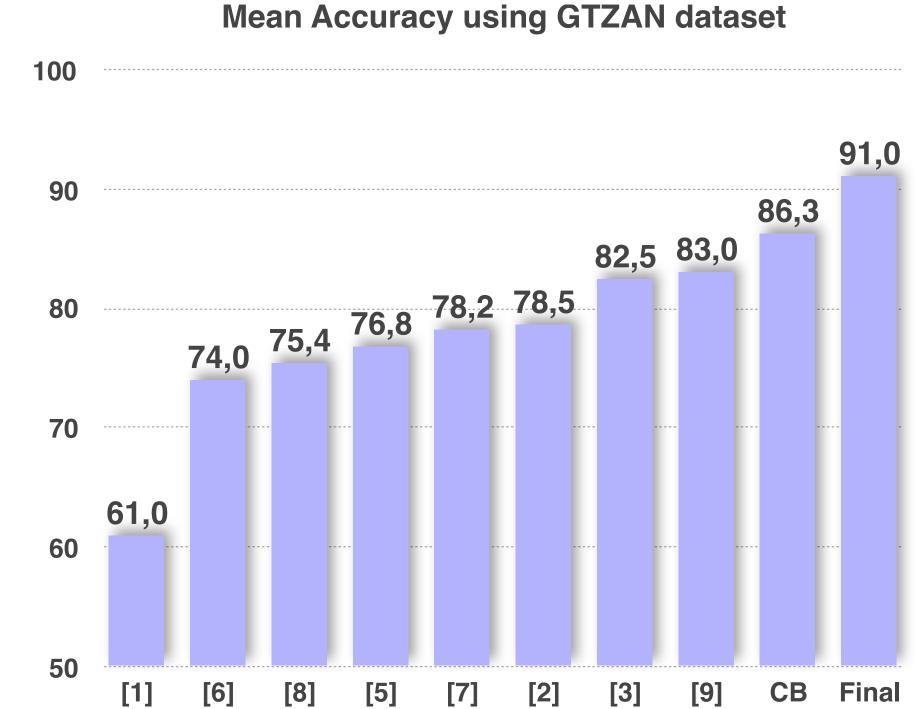
Binary cross-entropy loss:



Classification

- \bullet The final dataset rescaled in [0,1].
- Support Vector Machines with radial basis kernel.
- Hyperparameter optimization with 10-fold cross-validation on training set.

Results



Our approach:

- **CB**: Content-based features, after feature selection step.
- Final: With addition of bottleneck's layer features.
- 10 random splits and 10-fold crossvalidation.

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