



# Introduction to **Audio Content Analysis**

Module 13: Mood Recognition

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## What is the difference between mood and emotion

many definitions out there but general consensus on

### ■ *emotion*:

- temporary, evanescent
- (directly) related to external stimuli

### ■ *mood*:

- longer term, stable
- diffuse affect state



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### ■ classification into **label clusters**<sup>1</sup>

Cluster 1	Cluster 2	Cluster 3	Cluster 4	Cluster 5
Rowdy	Amiable/Good Natured	Literate	Witty	Volatile
Rousing	Sweet	Wistful	Humorous	Fiery
Confident	Fun	Bittersweet	Whimsical	Visceral
Boisterous	Rollicking	Autumnal	Wry	Aggressive
Passionate	Cheerful	Brooding	Campy	Tense/Anxious
		Poignant	Quirky	Intense
			Silly	

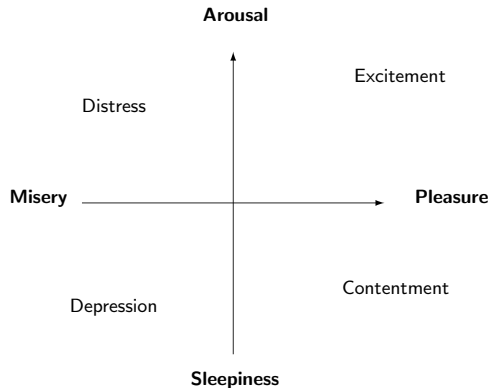
### ■ mood model, circumplex model

<sup>1</sup>X. Hu and J. S. Downie, "Exploring Mood Metadata: Relationships with Genre, Artist and Usage Metadata," in *Proceedings of the International Society for Music Information Retrieval Conference (ISMIR)*, Vienna, 2007.

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## mood model: regression modeling

### ■ mapping

- (N-dimensional) observation (feature) to 2-dimensional coordinate (valence/arousal)

### ■ training

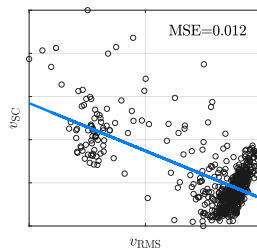
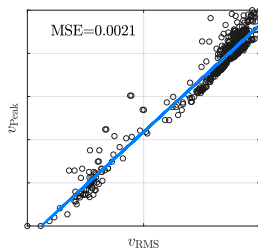
- find model to minimize error between data points and “prediction”

# regression

## regression

- linear regression: fit a linear function to a series of points  $(x_j, y_j)$

$$y_n = m \cdot x_n + b$$



- other regression approaches: SVR, DNNs, etc.

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# summary

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### ■ emotion and mood

- emotion: temporary, related to external stimuli
- mood: long term, diffuse affective state

### ■ features

- 1 baseline features are identical to genre and similarity tasks

### ■ inference

- 1 often done as regression (as opposed to classification)

