Emotions in drama

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Emotions in German drama 1650-18

Emotions are central

for dramaturgy

for the characterization of character types such as the miles gloriosus, the comic figure, the Jew for anthropology and social norms

for the intended effect on the recipient

Daniel Chodowiecki: 12 copper engravings for Lessings "Minna von Barnhelm" 1770



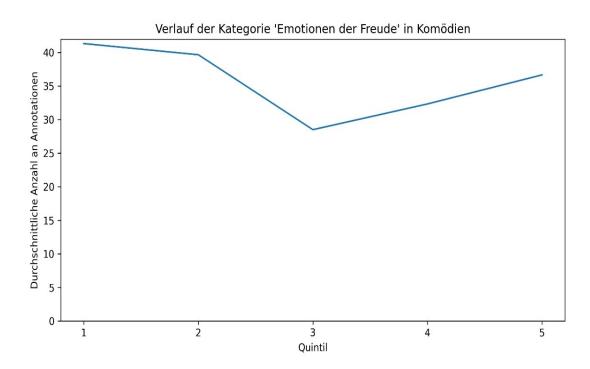
We are interested in

Emotion distribution and evaluation specific to sub genres

How Emotions changes with the plot

How Emotions are liked to character attributes like gender, family relations, class

We ask theses questions for canonized as well as for non- canonized plays



Emotion

'Emotion' as a generic term for states of mind of characters in a drama of distinguishable quality at a given time. = meta-linguistic use

- Bodily symptoms, action (tendencies), expression,
- may be appraised

Covers more specific historical terms of the period of 1650-1815: Affekt, Passion, Leidenschaft, Gemütssbewegung

Emotions in dramatic texts

- Emotions experienced by the characters and attributed to them
- Emotions in the main text and in stage directions

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Emotions of affection
  desire / Lust (-)
  love / Liebe (+)
  friendship / Freundschaft(+)
  Admiration / Verehrung bzw. Bewunderung
Emotions of joy
  joy / Freude (+)
  Schadenfreude (+)
Emotions of fear
  fear / Angst (-)
  despair / Verzweiflung (-)
Emotions of
  anger / Ärger (-)
  hate / Abscheu (-)
Emotions of suffering
  suffering / Leid(-)
  pity / Mitleid (-)
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Set of Emotions

Emotions experienced by the characters and attributed to them.

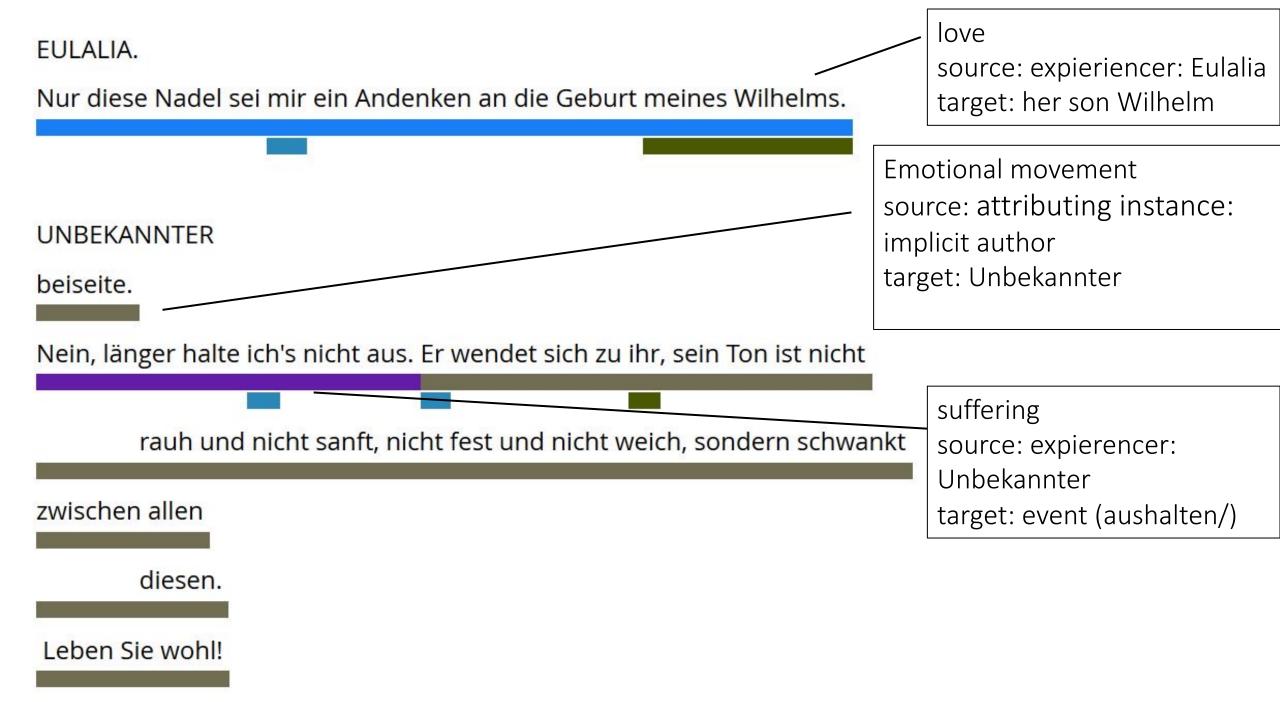
Not: Emotions which a recipient should feel

Polarity

- default (+/-)
- deviating

Deviating polarity

Tellheim: "...deine tückische Schadenfreude"





Emotions in Drama (EmoDrama): Methodenbericht

16. September, 2021

Treffen der WG Sentiment Analysis (Schwerpunktprogramm CLS)

Gliederung

Korpus und Annotation

Annotation: Annotationsverteilung und Agreements

Klassifikationsmethoden

Erste Klassifikationsergebnisse

Mehr Informationen

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Korpus

Gesamtkorpus besteht momentan aus ca. 300 Dramen aus der Zeit von 1650-1815 (wird noch erweitert)

Annotiert von 2 Hilfskräften (11 Dramen, 6 weitere Dramen momentan in der Fertigstellung):

Das Testament von Gottsched (1745/comedy)

Canut von Schlegel (1746/tragedy)

Die zärtlichen Schwestern von Gellert (1747/comedy)

Lucie Woodvil von Pfeil (1757/tragedy)

Der Freigeist von Brawe (1758/tragedy)

Minna von Barnhelm von Lessing (1767/comedy)

Der Postzug von Ayrenhoff (1769/comedy)

Kabale und Liebe von Schiller (1784/tragedy)

Kasperl' der Mandolettikrämer von Eberl (1789/tragedy)

Menschenhass und Reue von Kotzebue (1790/comedy)

Faust von Goethe (1807/tragedy)

Annotationsverteilung

Emotion category	absolute	%
MC: Emotions of affection	2.928	22
Desire	52	0
Love	1.755	13
Friendship	345	3
Admiration	776	0
MC: Emotions of joy	1,943	15
Joy	1,619	12
Schadenfreude	324	2
MC: Emotions of fear	1,257	9
Fear	721	5
Despair	536	4
MC: Emotions of hostility	3,028	23
Anger	1,625	12
Hate_Disgust	1,403	11
MC: Emotions of suffering	2,700	20
Suffering	2,069	16
Compassion	631	5
Emotional movement	1,408	11
Overall	13,264	100

Table 1: Distribution of emotion categories. First, the summed results of the *main classes* (MC; marked in bold) are listed followed by the *sub-emotions*. Percentages are rounded.

- 53% negativ, 37% positiv, 11% emotionale Bewegtheit
- Durchschnittliche Länge: 25 Tokens
- Große Varianz: Viele 1-Token-Annotationen bis zu Annotationen mit einer Länge von 500 Token
- 13,264 Annotationen insgesamt

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Übereinstimmung

Zweyter Auftritt.

Estrithe, Canut, Godewin.

ESTRITHE.

Mein König, deine Huld, die du mir wiedergiebst,

Beschämt mich, da sie mir bezeigt, wie du mich liebst.

CANUT.

Die Liebe, die du rühmst, braucht dich nicht zu beschämen,

Repliken-basiert bezüglich Mehrheitsannotation:

Lila = Leid Blau = Liebe → Leid

Erste Studie (5 Dramen)

Drama	Valence (κ)	Valence (%)	Class (κ)	Class (%)	Emotion (κ)	Emotion (%)
Faust	0.44	67.853	0.345	59.399	0.342	58.064
Kabale und Liebe	0.382	58.908	0.325	50.313	0.312	47.992
Menschenhass und Reue	0.402	75.28	0.347	72.331	0.347	71.91
Minna von Barnhelm	0.406	74.619	0.377	72.752	0.356	71.23
Kasperl'der Mandolet- tikrämer	0.42	70.83	0.344	65.34	0.312	62.72
Overall	0.41	69.49	0.3476	64.027	0.333	62.383

Table 2 Agreement statistics per play for the overall valence, the main emotion class and the sub emotions respectively for the text unit of speeches. κ refers to Cohen's κ while % is the proportion of agreed upon speeches among all speeches.

Kappa Value Range	Interpretation
0_0.2	Slight
0.2-0.4	Fair
0.4–0.6	Moderate
0.6-0.8	Substantial
0.8-1.00	Almost Perfect

Ranges of Cohen's Kappa values.

Zweite Studie (11 Dramen)

κ = Cohens's κ% = percentage-wise agreement

- Valence:
 - $\kappa = 0.5$
- Main class:
 - $\kappa = 0.4$
- Sub-emotion:
 - $\kappa = 0.4$

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Erstes Experiment (5 Dramen)

Annotationen ohne weitere Verarbeitung, also Textsequenzen variabler Länge

6500 Annotationen

4 Klassifikationstasks:

Polarität: positiv/negativ (2 Klassen)

Polarität-dreifach: positiv/negativ/emotionale Bewegtheit (3)

Hauptklassen (6)

Sub-Emotionen (13)

Baselines

Lexikon-basierte Sentiment Analysis (nur für Polarität):

SentiWS

SentiWS optimiert

Traditionelles Machine Learning:

BOW und Multinomial Naive Bayes

BOW und SVM

fastText WordEmbedding mit GRU-RNN

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Transformer-basierte Modelle (kontemporäre Sprache)

MODEL- IDENTIFIER	ARCHITECTURE	HUGGING FACE-LINK	PRETRAINED TEXT	RELATED PAPER (IF AVAILABLE) AND PROVIDER
bert-base-german- cased	BERT	Link	Wikipedia, legal texts, news (~ 12 GB)	Deepset
dbmdz-bert-base- german-cased	BERT	Link	Wikipedia, books, subtitles, crawled web data, news texts (~ 16 GB)	MDZ Digital Library
electra-base- german-uncased	ELECTRA	Link	Wikipedia, Subtitles, News (~ 73 GB)	German-NLP-Group
gbert-large	BERT	Link	Crawled web data, Wikipedia, subtitles, book, legal texts (~ 161 GB)	Deepset (Chan et al., 2020)
gelectra-large	ELECTRA	Link	Crawled web data, Wikipedia, subtitles, book, legal texts (~ 161 GB)	Deepset (Chan et al., 2020)

Table 3: Overview of the evaluated transformer-based models pretrained on contemporary language.

Transformer-basierte Modelle (mit historischer Sprache)

MODEL- IDENTIFIER	ARCHITECTURE	HUGGING FACE-LINK	PRETRAINED TEXT	RELATED PAPER (IF AVAILABLE) AND PROVIDER
bert-base-german- europeana-cased	BERT (trained from scratch)	Link	Europeana newspaper (51 GB)	MDZ Digital Library (Schweter 2020)
electra-base-german- europeana-cased- discriminator	ELECTRA (trained from scratch)	Link	Europeana newspaper (51 GB)	MDZ Digital Library (Schweter 2020)
literary-german-bert	BERT (further pretrained)	Link 34	based on bert-basegerman-dbmdz- cased further pretrained with the Corpus of German-Language- Fiction (mostly prose texts) (~ 1 GB)	Severin Simmler
bert-base-historical- german-rw-cased	BERT (trained from scratch)	Link	fairy tales, historical newspapers, magazine articles, narrative texts, texts of Projekt Guutenberg	Brunner et al. 2020a

Table 4: Overview of the evaluated transformer-based models pretrained or further pretrained on historical German language.

Eigenes "Nachtraining"

bert-base-german-cased nachtrainiert mit
GerDracor + Kasperl-Dramen (1. Experiment /5 Dramen)

bert-base-german-europeana-cased nachtrainiert mit GerDracor/TextGrid und weiteren Dramen

1. Experiment (5 Dramen)

METHOD	ACC	F1-W
random baseline	.500	-
majority baseline	.612	-
lb-sentiws	.445	.448
lb-sentiws-optimized	.588	.592
bow-mnb	.742	.740
bow-svm	.685	.635
fasttext	.714	.703
bert-base-german-cased	.804	.792
dbmdz-bert-base-german-cased	.804	.791
electra-base-german-uncased	.776	.762
gbert-large	.821	.820
gelectra-large	.825	.824
bert-base-german-europeana-cased	.798	.797
electra-base-german-europeana-cased-discriminator	.808	.808
literary-german-bert	.799	.798
bert-base-historical-german-rw-cased	.813	.813
bert-base-german-cased-main-corpus	.796	.794
bert-base-german-cased-annotated-texts	.809	.809

METHOD	ACC	F1-W
random baseline	.333	-
majority baseline	.541	-
bow-mnb	.659	.633
bow-svm	.603	.524
fasttext	.647	.616
bert-base-german-cased	.711	.707
dbmdz-bert-base-german-cased	.716	.714
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electra-base-german-uncased	.690	.682
gbert-large	.740	.735
gbert-large	.740	.735
gbert-large gelectra-large	.740 .748	.735
gbert-large gelectra-large bert-base-german-europeana-cased	.740 .748	.735 .746
gbert-large gelectra-large bert-base-german-europeana-cased electra-base-german-europeana-cased-discriminator	.740 .748 .718 .722	.735 .746 .714 .717
gbert-large gelectra-large bert-base-german-europeana-cased electra-base-german-europeana-cased-discriminator literary-german-bert	.740 .748 .718 .722 .718	.735 .746 .714 .717 .716

1. Experiment (5 Dramen)

METHOD	ACC	F1-W
random baseline	.167	-
majority baseline	.333	-
bow-mnb	.451	.409
bow-svm	.392	.304
fasttext	.404	.343
bert-base-german-cased	.512	.508
dbmdz-bert-base-german-cased	.517	.511
electra-base-german-uncased	.474	.449
gbert-large	.545	.539
gelectra-large	.564	.558
bert-base-german-europeana-cased	.528	.518
electra-base-german-europeana-cased-discriminator	.525	.509
electra-base-german-europeana-cased-discriminator bert-base-historical-german-rw-cased	.525	.509

METHOD	ACC	F1-W
random baseline	.077	-
majority baseline	.151	-
bow-mnb	.348	.298
bow-svm	.284	.248
fasttext	.289	.241
bert-base-german-cased	.428	.417
dbmdz-bert-base-german-cased	.430	.417
electra-base-german-uncased	.358	.320
gbert-large	.467	.461
gelectra-large	.460	.436
bert-base-german-europeana-cased	.420	.400
electra-base-german-europeana-cased-discriminator	.416	.373
bert-base-historical-german-rw-cased	.444	.436
bert-base-german-cased-main-corpus	.379	.326
bert-base-german-cased-annotated-texts	.425	.415

2. Experiment (11 Dramen)

Verschiedene Korpusinstanzen:

Alle Annotationen (leichte Verbesserung

Filterung aller Disagreements (Filtered Corpus -> deutliche Verbesserung)

Repliken-basiertes Korpus basierend auf Mehrheitsentscheidungen (deutliche Verschlechterung)

Method	acc	F1	acc	F1	acc	F1	acc	F1
Method	(pol)	(pol)	(t-p)	(t-p)	(m-c)	(m-c)	(s-e)	(s-e)
random baseline	0.50	-	0.33	-	0.17	-	0.08	-
majority baseline	0.60	-	0.55	-	0.25	-	0.15	-
bow-svm	0.77	0.75	0.70	0.66	0.53	0.51	0.41	0.38
bow-bayes	0.83	0.83	0.76	0.74	0.59	0.56	0.46	0.41
bert-base	0.88	0.88	0.83	0.83	0.70	0.70	0.61	0.60
bert-europeana	0.88	0.88	0.83	0.83	0.71	0.70	0.60	0.59
electra-europeana '	0.89	0.89	0.83	0.83	0.70	0.69	0.56	0.53
bert-historical-rw	0.88	0.88	0.83	0.83	0.72	0.72	0.63	0.63
gbert-large	0.89	0.89	0.84	0.84	0.75	0.75	0.66	0.66
gelectra-large	0.90	0.90	0.85	0.85	0.74	0.74	0.64	0.63
bert-europeana- further-pretrained	0.83	0.83	0.76	0.74	0.45	0.38	0.29	0.23

Table 4: Evaluation results for the *filtered corpus*. F1-scores are weighted F1. pol=polarity, t-p=triple polarity, m-c=main class, s-e=sub-emotion. Best result per classification is marked in bold for accuracies.

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Diskussion

Lösung zum Umgang mit Disagreement vorteilhaft (Konsens)
Große Modelle trainiert auf Alltagssprache momentan am besten

TODO:

Viel Varianz in der Gestaltung noch möglich (Textlänge, Heuristiken, Nicht-Emotion, etc.)

Nachtraining auf größeren und historisch passenderen Texten (Ressourcen)

Hauptklassen und Sub-Emotionen benötigen optimierten Umgang mit Klassenungleichgewicht und unterrepräsentierten Klassen

Source/Target

Vielen Dank für Ihre Aufmerksamkeit!