Emotion Based Categorization of Music Using Low Level Features and Agglomerative Clustering

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Research Goals:

- Design a feature set considering the perception of emotion by human being and respective music signal properties.
- End goal is to categorize music collection according to their emotional properties.

• Feature Design Criteria:

- The way musical accents are patterned through time leads listeners to anticipate the emotional essence.
- Feature set is designed considering the relation between emotional response and musical structure.

• Features Considered:

- RMS Energy, ZCR, Linear prediction cepstral coefficients (LPCC), Spectral Features (Flux, Rolloff, Flatness Measure and Crest Factor)
- A bottom-up hierarchical clustering approach (Agglomerative clustering) is used.
- Proposed system achieved an accuracy of 63.63% on *Soundtracks* dataset.