ResearchWorks Next steps in Scarlatti research







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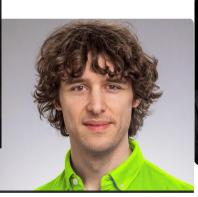
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The 'Scarlatti paradox'

Domenico Scarlatti research con boast no equivalent to the enormous progress in Bach and Handel scholarship since 1950; in fact, this period has witnessed the uncovering of more additional intelligence about the two German masters than one could locate with a microscope in the entire body of information about Scarlatti...

...The popularity of [Scarlatti's] music brought serious study to it earlier than to much other music of the period; we embarked quite a while ago and yet we still cannot see the opposite shore. So many tasks remain that the state of our art would fail aesthetic inspection or information audit.

Joel Sheveloff, 'Domenico Scarlatti: Tercentenary Frustrations', MQ, 1985

Our objective is therefore to carry out the first comprehensive and systematic study of all surviving C18 MS and printed copies of Scarlatti's keyboard sonatas



Scope - the size of the task

- 555 sonatas in Kirkpatrick's catalogue, plus >30 attributed or attributable
- 55,469 bars of music
- ±3200 MS and printed witnesses
- In >100 volumes
- In >30 libraries and archives worldwide
- ±20,000,000 data points makes a bigg(ish) data set (by humanities standards)

A jigsaw without the box and with most of the pieces missing





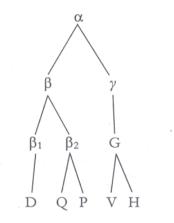


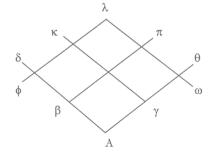


Methodology – philology and phylogenetics

- 'forensic' philology contact and transfer/copy and change
- but the conventional stemma will not work for a compilation
 a matrix approach is needed
- phylogenetics and 'reverse DNA' differences in common may indicate kinship

Hence the need for detailed bar-by-bar, note-by-note collation of all witnesses against a common baseline (control)







Success factors

- Teamwork interdisciplinary and practitioner focused
- Citizen Science (the Argos team) many extra pairs of eyes and hands
- Access to Jérémie Lumbroso's repository
- The 'Roseingrave' tool for data capture powerful, flexible and adaptable
- The code highly structured and legible by humans and computers
- 1 successful pilot project as proof of concept; a second pilot just launched
- Cash

Our approach is empirical and data-driven; comprehensive, systematic and accessible; with a keen eye on future potential and the implications for performers

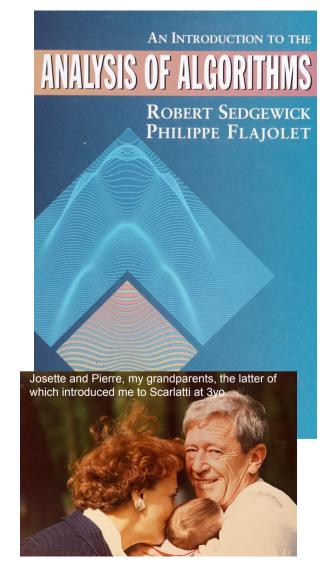


Next Steps in Scarlatti Research Computational Musicology

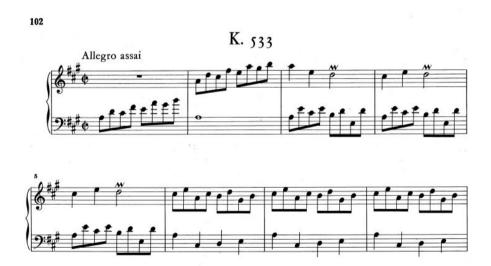
ResearchWorks — Feb. 27th, 2023 Dr. Jérémie Lumbroso

From Computer Science to Music

- questions of scale
 - how to approach a composer that is known only through
 555 sonatas
 - scaling issues arising from analysis
 - how a composer created a generative formula that could scale to 500+ pieces
- questions of data management
 - how to manage the data related to research projects
- questions of community building
 - how to build focused community and scholarship around the composer
 - how to bring together a critical mass of researchers



K. 533: Repetitions



Princeton Center for Digital Humanities



Computer-Assisted Pattern Analysis of Domenico Scarlatti's Keyboard Sonatas

Enabling new research on the Baroque composer by facilitating quantitative approaches

Domenico Scarlatti's 555 keyboard sonatas hold the confusing honor of being, as W. Dean Sutcliffe phrased it, "one of the greatest but least well understood and covered repertories of Western keyboard music." A confluence of many factors seem to have led to this gap between importance and understanding. One of the main factors is the size, impenetrability, and density of the corpus of sonatas. This seems to have proven daunting for experts in musicology who may be used to more qualitative methods.

Lumbroso and his team believe the key to unlocking new, serious scholarship on Scarlatti's keyboard sonatas is to turn to quantitative methods and plan to employ computer science expertise on the processing of Big Data streams, to process a subset of the sonatas, and to establish a framework for the structural analysis of these sonatas. The proposal will be based on:

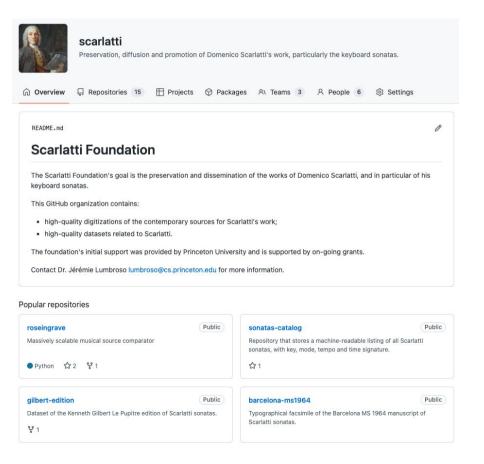
- The curation of an open-source machine-readable dataset of the keyboard sonatas, such as to enable a new generation of scholars to study the sonatas using existing tools (such as music 21, etc.).
- The creation of a set of open-source scripts for the extraction and categorization of rhythmic micro-patterns and structural macro-patterns within the sonatas



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CDH Grant History

The repository



- Aggregate all data related to Scarlatti in open access
- ALL manuscripts EVER
- ALL prints EVER
 - (except Longo (a))
- ALL datasets related to Scarlatti

Cataloguing manuscripts

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jlumbroso Updated all score catalogs to have "codex" field

As 1 contributor

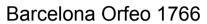
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K. 533 (across manuscripts)





Cambridge 147



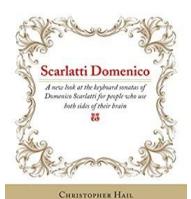
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Completist approaches



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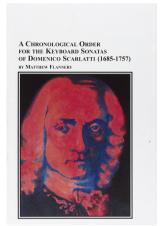
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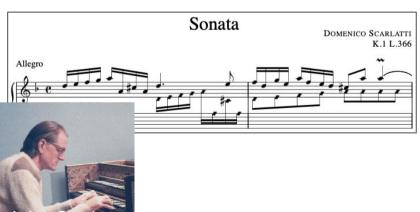
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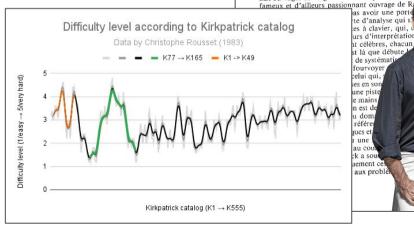
APPROCHE STATISTIQUE DES SONATES

Le thème de ce colloque : "Que savons-nous de Scarlatti aujourd'hui ?", posse à la fois une question très importante, et même agaçante, si l'on songe, qu'en définitive, on me sait pas grand chose et, d'autre part, sans grande importance, parce que ce qui fait exister Scarlatti au-delà de sa mort, ce n'est évidemment pas son jeu du clavecin il le témoignage de ses contemporains sur ses talents d'improvisateur, mais bien l'œuvre pour clavier que nous appelons les 555 sonates, même si cette appellation, un peu approximative, témoigne d'une certaine recherche de la symbolique du nombre, chose qui, jusqu'à preuve du contraire, a toujours désintéressé Scarlatti (à la différence de son fameux contemporain, Bach).

Mais avant d'aller plus avant, je me dois de me présenter : je ne suis pas un musicologue. Je suis un praticien, un humble claveciniste dont la science des limite, sur le sujet qui nous intéresse aujourd'hui, hux ouvrages de vulgarisation tels que les édition des sonates et au

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Barcutter + Incipits



Searchable Sonata Catalog

Gilbert edition

(a dataset)

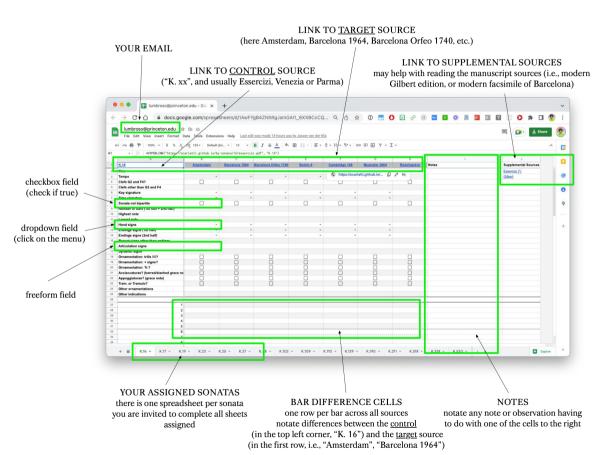


P main - sonatas-catalog / catalog.csv

ilumbroso Italian spelling fixes, thanks @laspervanderklis

Latest commit 8a943fd on Jun 6, 2022 C History

Roseingrave





Joseph Lou

- Compare every pair of manuscripts
 - Crowdsourcing
- Derive "difference code"
- Eventually rebuild the full text of each manuscript using "control" + "diff code"
- Goal is to obtain a fully searchable dataset of all musical content

Open-source edition

- Reference edition for machine queries
- Control text in LilyPond
- Variants derived programmatically from diff codes (Roseingrave) and control text
- Research project involving Nicolas
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Overall deliverables

- Our own research questions
- Creating the data infrastructure to make it easier for EVERYBODY to investigate research questions on Scarlatti
 - All of our byproducts available publicly
- Many tools to support future research both on Scarlatti and on digital musicology of manuscripts

People and Process: the Argos team

- International group of expertly trained musicians and researchers
 - Guildhall School, Royal Academy of Music,
 Juilliard, Utrecht Conservatoire,
 Conservatorio 'G. Verdi'...
 - We are recruiting more devotees!
- Over 55.000 bars of music in the Kirkpatrick catalogue



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Christine Whiffen (UK)

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People and Process

- Notation system
- Lilypond pitch conventions
 - Free text-based music engraving software
 - Letters, numbers, and punctuation: c2 dsharp"4 eflat"8.
 - Special abbreviations for ornamentation: app acc tr etc.



Type of ornament	Example	Abbreviation/code
Acciaccatura (slashed grace note)	*	acc (K. 109, Cambridge 148)
Appoggiatura	11	app (K.522, Venezia 13)
Trill (squiggly/wavy line)	**	trill
Trill	tr; t; +	tr
Long wavy line	forter Har-	longwavyline (K. 109, Parma 3)
Mordent	1	mordent (K. 522, New York Cary)
Slide	***	slide (K. 109, Venezia 1749)
Line of dots	••••	lineofdots
Tremulo	tre; trem; trem.lo	trem
Turn	2	turn
Double appoggiatura		dblapp
Fermata	9:	fermata (K. 544, Parma 15)



Recording variants: step one

- Counting notes
 - Special rules for ornaments, tied notes, rests
- Separate vertical sound events
 - Use of Kenneth Gilbert's edition





Recording variants: step two

Pre-defined formats

Code	Meaning
9c'] c''	The ninth note in the bar, which is a middle C in the control, is an octave higher in this witness.
9c'] 0	The c' on position 9 is not present in the witness.
9c'] r4	The c' on position 9 is a crotchet rest in the witness.
9] +c4	Crotchet c present in witness on position 9 but not in control.

Separation of variants

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Incorrect notations
7a8b9c] 7b8c9d
7a] +natural -tr

These notations are incorrect: please record each variant separately, even if multiple variants occur on the same note.
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Correct notations

7a] b ; 8b] c ; 9c] d

7a] +natural ; 7a] -tr
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Online user manual: constant refinement



Recording variants: workflow

Stage 1

Volunteer 1

Roseingrave merge, to be checked by team member 2

Stage 2

Stage 3

Main spreadsheet for each sonata

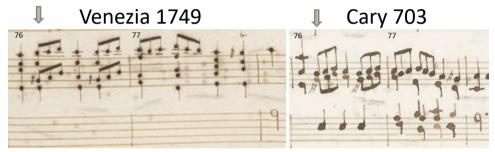
Workflow ensures quality and accuracy

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	45	7g'] -tie				
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	47	2fsharp"] -tr	1d] fsharp	2fsharp"] -tr		
	48		1acc] app16 ; 5csharp"] +tr	1acc] app ; 2d"] g'		NY Cary: pitch of appoggiatura unclear, assumed a" as in Venezia 13
	49		3fsharp'] +tr	2fsharp'] +tr ; 8fsharp'] g		Barcelona 1964: heavy ink ghosting, still legible; NY Cary: squiggle between 2sharp' and 3fsharp' assumed to be a trill (cf. second half), while trill in Muenster 3966 is clearly on 3fsharp' (perhaps erroneously)
	50		1acc] app16	1acc] app ; 1g] e ; 2d'] g		
	51	1] +d1				
	52		5r] 0			Barcelona 1964: rest on 5 ambiguous, assumed



Recording variants: example





Complex notation: over 400 keystrokes!

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Preliminary conclusions?



People and Process: final thoughts

- Roseingrave: exciting developments ahead!
- Barcelona M1964 pilot: early findings promising



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Research into Practice

27 February 2023 5pm GMT



Texting Scarlatti



Orfeo Català, Barcelona











Cary, New York (Morgan Library)

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Variants of compass: local performance practices



Fortepiano Francisco Pérez Mirabal (c.1745) (Private Collection, Mallorca)



Harpsichord Salvador Bofill, Barcelona, 1743. (Museo Diocesano Arte Sacro, Bilbao)



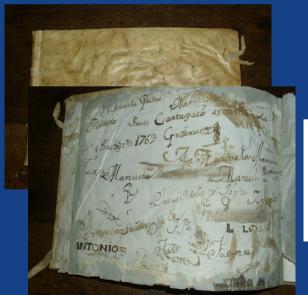
Harpsichord Joseph Bueno, 1712 (Museo Joaquín Díaz Urueña, Valladolid)



Variants of compass: local performance practices

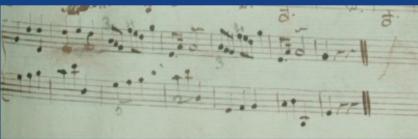








Sonata K471, (SPD III) Convento San Pedro de las Dueñas, León (1769)





Variants on the Title: Essercizi IV Allegro vs. Allemanda (Boivin)





