

# Van editie naar hypereditie: methoden voor online publicatie van muziekwerken

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## Missie

- ontwikkelen en bevorderen van de toepassing van computationele methoden in de muziekwetenschap
  - grote hoeveelheden gegevens
  - kwantitatieve uitspraken
  - reproduceerbaar, controleerbaar
  - modellen voor wetenschappelijke samenwerking en communicatie--kennisinfrastructuur
- perspectief van Informatiekunde
  - modelleren van informatie en processen staat voorop

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## Probleem

- Wat zijn de implicaties van ICT-ontwikkelingen voor kritische muziekeditie
  - digitale kritische editie is een veelbesproken onderwerp in de literatuurwetenschap, maar niet in de muziekwetenschap
- Doel:
  - presenteren model voor digitale kritische muziekedities
  - discussie stimuleren
    - rapport uit 1997, tijd nog niet rijp?
    - nu wel!
- Waarschuwingen
  - beschreven cases zijn geen concrete projecten (m.u.v. ECOLM)
  - model staat voorop, niet muziekwetenschappelijke inzichten

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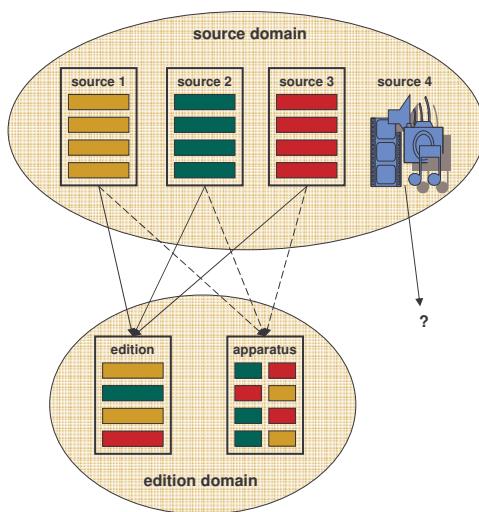
## Inhoud

- Teksteditie: electronic textuality
- Kritische en digitale muziekedities
- Multidimensionaal model
- Casus (2-4)
- Dimensies en presentaties
- Evaluatie en conclusies

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## Jerome McGann: *The Rationale of Hypertext* (1995)

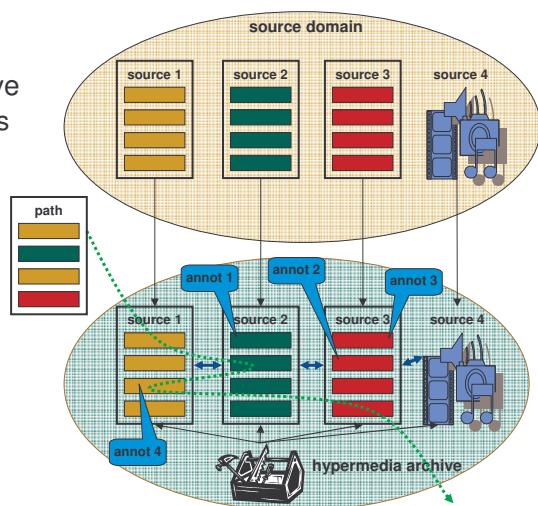
- book as 'Machine of Knowledge'
  - text of edition is 'ideal reconstruction generated from different documents'
  - complex analytical mechanisms (apparatus etc.) shaped by limits of the book
  - reconstruction of primary sources very difficult
  - materials beyond book format inaccessible (performance of play or song; physical features of document)
- traditional critical edition is an account of textual network by means of another text:  
the logical structures of the 'critical edition' function at the same level as the material being analyzed



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## HyperEditing

- fully-networked hypermedia critical archive
  - virtual copies of sources
  - **connections**
  - analytical tools
    - searching
    - comparing
  - annotations
    - critical and contextual information
- ‘traditional’ edition = reading path



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## Critical editing in musicology

- aim: present well-reasoned text of composition
- traditional approaches (Lachmann et al.)
  - work vs. text problem
  - reason: music as performing art (Brett 1988)
- emphasis on transcription technique (esp. Early music)
  - translation to CMN
  - inference (e.g. musica ficta, text underlay)
  - performance orientation (which is good)
- no fundamental role for information technology
  - (almost) no hyperediting in music
  - output (page, sound) oriented (shapes, positions)
    - music notation software
    - PDF publishing
    - encoding systems
  - function of encoding is to make storage, display and manipulation of score possible
    - information content of encoded scores is not further exploited

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## Online edities: voorbeelden

The screenshot shows a digital edition of a musical score titled "Johannes Ockeghem: Deo gratias a 36 voci". The score is displayed in a multi-part setting with 36 voices, arranged in several staves. The music consists of various note heads and rests. The interface includes a toolbar at the top with icons for file operations, zoom, and search. On the left, there are navigation links for "Pages", "Comments", and "Attachments". A status bar at the bottom indicates the page size as "8,26 x 11,69 in". The right side of the screen shows a sidebar with options like "MIDI FILE", "NOTES FILE", "SCRIPT FILE", and "HELP". Below the main score, there is a link to another score titled "Mort tu as navré de ton d'art (Lamentation auf Binchois)".

Choral Public Domain Library ([www.cpdl.org](http://www.cpdl.org))

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## Caron editie

The screenshot shows a digital edition of a musical score titled "Accueilly m'a la belle au gent atour". The score is for three voices (Soprano, Tenor, Bass) and includes lyrics in French. The music is in F-Dom 5/17, 6v-7r. The interface includes a sidebar with links to "The University of New England", "Contents", "Introduction", "About the Composer", "Catalogue of Works", "Sources", "Caron's Masses", "Caron's Chansons", "Related compositions", and "Links". The right side of the screen shows a sidebar with options like "YAHOO TOOLBAR" and "SEARCH". The bottom of the screen shows a status bar with page information and navigation controls.

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## IAML abstract: Mozart

Mozart digitized

The Packard Humanities Institute, in collaboration with the Salzburg Mozarteum is currently undertaking two major digital projects focusing on Mozart. The first one is a long-term project that aims at making the complete works of Mozart available in digital format and in a critical edition that can be updated as needed. The second one is a facsimile edition...

Christoph Wolff

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## Previous work in musicology

- Variants and stemmatics
  - Thomas Hall (New Josquin Edition)
  - Yo Tomita (Bach, WTC II)
- Digital facsimiles and restoration
  - DIAMM
  - Online Chopin Variorum Edition (OCVE)
- Online editions
  - *Corpus mensurabilis musice electronicum* (CMME)
    - information content: source text
    - generates different transcription styles
  - Electronic Corpus of Lute Music (ECOLM) lute tablature sources
    - adds encoding of textcritical features

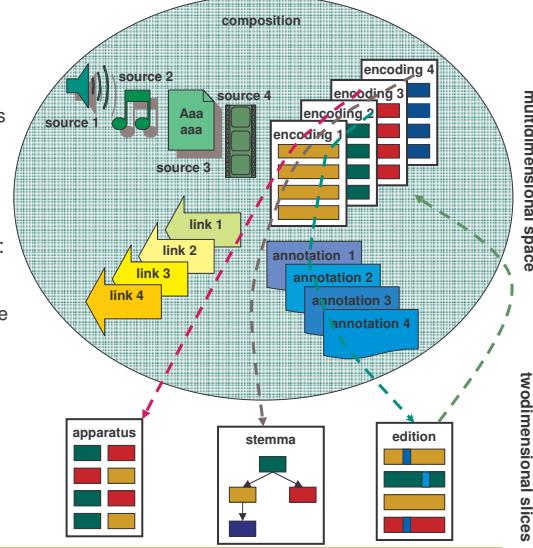


CMME views of Pierre de la Rue,  
*Vexilla regis-Passio domini*

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## A Multidimensional Model for DCEM

- a **hyperlinked** collection of
  - digitised sources
    - any relevant medium
  - encodings
    - information content of sources
    - central position in model
  - annotations
    - textcritical features
    - knowledge
  - link to other works
- views reduce dimensionality, e.g.:
  - apparatus
  - stemma
  - edition: annotated path through the collection
    - may be frozen and added to collection
- issues
  - which dimensions?
  - useful?
- 4 case studies



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## Case 1: Anonymous, Missa *Ma bouche rit* (VienNB 11883)

- problem: relation to model (Ockeghem's virelai)
  - consistent differences with editions of model
  - but: such relations occur at source, not edition, level
  - reconstruction of sources through apparatus is hard
  - conclusion: the model may be an unknown variant
  - potentially interesting for reception history
- DCEM contribution
  - easy access to variants
  - add new version
  - relate composition to model

Kyrie b.

Ockeghem, a.  
ed. Plamenac

*fort qui m'ai - - de*

VARIANT READINGS:

Superius: before: 1/1 C2 1 br (BerGlo), 6/1 sg. (PBN 4779, RISM 1501, RISM 1538<sup>a</sup>); 2/1-2 1 br (RCG 2856); 3/1-2 1 br (RCG XII/27); 5/1-2 c dot sb, b, m (BerGlo), 1 br (RISM 1538<sup>a</sup>); 7/2-8/1 (WLab); 8/1-2 lig (BerGlo, MansSde, PCord, Wd 287, RISM 1538<sup>a</sup>); 9/2-10/1 lig Cap 18/8, PCord, RCG XII/27; 11/2-12/1 1 br (BerGlo, MansSde, PCord, RCG XII/27); 12/2-13/1 1 br (BerGlo, RCas 2856, RISM 1538<sup>a</sup>); 13/2 1 br (BerGlo); 14/1-2 1 lig (RCas 2856, RISM 1538<sup>a</sup>); 15/1 sb, m (BerGlo); 16/1-2 1 lig (MansSde, PCord, RISM 1538<sup>a</sup>); 16/2 min. er (Wd 287, RISM 1538<sup>a</sup>); 17/1-2 1 lig (MansSde, PCord, RISM 1538<sup>a</sup>, PPN 4779, RISM 1501); 18/1-2 1 br (BerGlo, Cap 18/8, PCord, PPN 4779, RISM 1501); 19/1-2 1 br (BerGlo, MansSde, NHMet, PBN 4779, PPix, RCG XII/27, WLab, Wd 287), 2 m (RISM 1501); 23/1 sm er (NHMet); 23/1-3 min. er (MansSde); 24/2-3 no lig (RCar 2856, RISM 1501); 31/1-32/1 1 br (BerGlo, MansSde, PCord, RISM 1538<sup>a</sup>, PBN 4779); 31/2-32/2 1 br (BerGlo, MansSde, PCord, RISM 1538<sup>a</sup>, PBN 4779); 31/3-32/3 dot m, m (RISM 1501); 32/1-2 1 g (FRNC 176, FR 2356, PPix, 34/2-3 dot m, sm (Dij); 35/1-2 no lig (BerGlo, FRNC 176, FR 2356, NHMet, PPix, RCG XII/27); 36/1-2 1 br (BerGlo, MansSde); 37/1-2 1 br (BerGlo, Cap 18/8, Dij, FRNC 176, FR 2356, MansSde, NHMet, PBN 4779, PCord, PPix, RCG XII/27, WLab, Wd 287); 41/2 c fu, b fu (BerGlo, MansSde, PCord, RISM 1538<sup>a</sup>, PBN 4779); 42/1-2 1 br, 2 fo er (MansSde); 43/1-2 1 g m (FRNC 176, FR 2356, PPix, RCG XII/27, 46/1 sig cong (BerGlo); before 47/1 C in sig

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## Reconstructie model (p. 1)

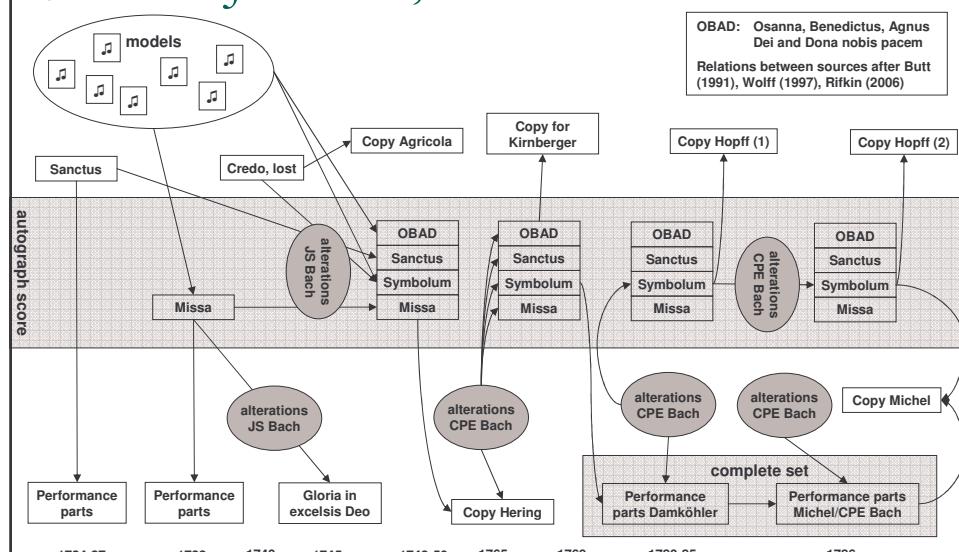
### Ma bouche rit

Ed. WexlerPlamenac + Vienna variants



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## Case 2: J.S. Bach, Mass in B Minor



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## Zoom in on detail: Domine Deus

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The image shows a complex comparison of musical editions for 'Domine Deus'. At the top left is a full score (Kirnberger edition, ed. Smend) with multiple staves for Flute, Oboe, Bassoon, Violin, Viola, Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bassoon, and Bass. A box labeled 'Kirnberger' points to this score. An arrow points from this score to a photograph of handwritten musical parts from 'Dresden performance parts (1733)'. Another arrow points from these parts to a modern edition by 'ed. Uwe Wolf'. Below these are two detailed views of specific measures. The left view, under 'ed. Smend (NBA)', shows a measure with a 'lato traverso' instruction and various dynamics like 'con sordino'. The right view, under 'ed. Christoph Wolff', shows a measure with a 'Flauto traverso I' instruction and a lombardic rhythm pattern. A note at the bottom states: 'Der lombardische Rhythmus ist nur hier sowie in Takt 27 generelle Ausführungsanweisung für dieses Motiv.' A legend identifies instruments: Flauto traverso I & II, Violino I & II, Vcllo, Soprano I & II, Alto, Tenor, Bass, and Basson. The bottom right corner of the slide contains the number 17.

## Mass in B Minor: discussion

- problem
  - complex network of models, sources and source layers
  - seems more important to give access to multitude of options than to choose a preferred option
    - paper has only unsatisfactory means to do so
- DCEM contribution
  - provide network view of work genesis and transmission
  - zoom in on materials **at required level of granularity**
  - compare different sources
  - check on what grounds editorial decisions were made
  - little duplication of effort

## Houdt u van reconstructies?

### Reconstructie van Mozart's Grote Mis

#### Nederlandse première door het Lelikoor in de Nieuwe Kerk Amsterdam

In het kader van het Mozartjaar zal het Amsterdamse Lelikoor op **19 en 20 mei** de nieuwe versie van de Grote Mis in C van Mozart ten gehore brengen. De Amerikaanse Mozart-specialist [Robert D. Levin](#) heeft de ontbrekende delen in de mis gereconstrueerd en het is deze nieuwe, liturgisch complete mis die zijn Nederlandse première beleeft in de passende omgeving van de Nieuwe Kerk in Amsterdam.



Het Lelikoor (foto © Jan van Breda)

Mozart begon met het schrijven van de Grote Mis in 1782. Waarom hij het werk niet voltooid heeft blijft een mysterie. De reconstructie gemaakt door Robert Levin vult de belangrijke leemten op die in de oorspronkelijke partituur aanwezig waren. Pianist/muzicoloog Levin is algemeen bekend om zijn verantwoorde reconstructies van werken van Mozart (o.a. het Requiem) en andere componisten. De bewerking van de Grote Mis is gemaakt in opdracht van de Carnegie Hall Corporation, ging in Januari 2005 in Carnegie Hall in première en werd enthousiast ontvangen.

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## Case 3: Vincenzo Galilei, *Fronimo* (1568)

- Problems
  - alternative versions of one score
    - unornamented: black
    - ornamented: black + red
  - inaccessibility of notation
    - transcription adds information (inference of duration, melody)
    - information loss in transcription (courses and frets)
- DCEM contribution
  - show each version separately
  - show differences
  - different renditions of tablature (Italian, French, CMN, MIDI)
  - different transcription styles (polyphonic, chordal)
- Other pieces involving performance alternatives
  - plainchant psalms
  - Byrd, *Gradualia* (adaptable to liturgy)
  - Solus tenor motets
  - Operas (e.g. text-centred edition of Metastasio operas)

The image contains two musical scores. The top score is a tablature for a lute or similar instrument, with vertical columns of numbers representing fingerings and rests. The bottom score is a transcription of the same music into standard Western staff notation. Annotations include a green circle highlighting a 'red note' (a note marked with a red dot), a blue bracket indicating 'duration heard, not played', and another blue bracket indicating 'played on different courses'. The transcription staff also includes a bass staff below it.

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## Case 4: Silvius Leopold Weiss, Bourrée

- Problem: compare 4 sources of composition
  - encoding ('TabXML') contains all versions
- DCEM contribution
  - each version can be extracted
  - 3 methods for comparing sources, at different levels
- Representation is crucial component of edition
  - generates concrete visual (audible) presentations

 MIDI performance



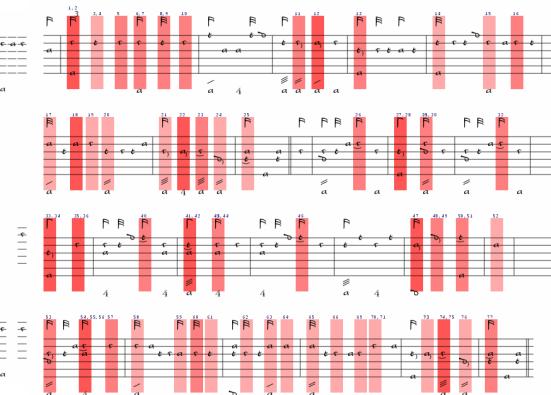
demo: <http://doc.gold.ac.uk/isms/hometest/taxmltest.php>

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## Weiss: comparing sources



rhythmic variants different attempts to render the same *inégal* effect in performance?



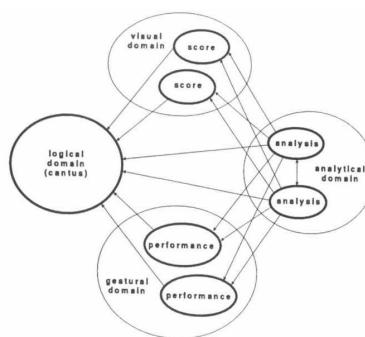
- Apparatus (TabXML)
- Parallel texts
- Density of variants



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## Dimensions

- Visual: written sources
    - problems in source text
      - emendation
      - uncertainty
    - source layers
      - correction (Bach)
      - improvement (Bach)
      - alternative (Galilei)
      - explication (Bach)
    - different sources
      - variants (Ockeghem, Weiss)
      - intertextuality (Ockeghem, Bach)
  - Logical: edition
    - preference (Bach)
    - adapt to CMN convention
    - transcription (Ockeghem, Galilei, Weiss)
    - inference (Galilei, Weiss)
  - Gestural: performance
    - ensemble composition
    - interpretation
    - recording
  - Analytical
    - knowledge (Bach)
    - linking (Ockeghem, Bach)
- Classification based on Standard Music Description Language (SMDL) domains
- multidimensional model seems very complex
- deliberate 'maximum view'
  - use subsets for specific repertoires, related to musical surface
  - modular approach (domains and subdomains)



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## Views

- Linear renditions (notation or sound)
  - diplomatic transcription
  - layers in source
  - emended source
  - edition (reading path)
- Composite views
  - aligned sources, editions
  - apparatus
  - stemma, source relationships
  - musical relationships

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## Do we want digital critical editions of music?

- Pros
    - data-rich approach
    - makes work context explicit
      - generic vs. specific approaches
    - deals better with different instances of a work
    - prevents information loss
    - direct access to information base (control)
    - personalisation
    - less duplication of work
    - economical: cheap, fast
  - enhancement of accepted musicological methods
- Cons
    - complexity of the model
    - infrastructure: software, data structures
    - editor needs technical expertise
    - web instability
    - reference to dynamic editions
    - intellectual property and rights
    - status of digital publications
  - except the first, these are not specific to music

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## Waarom bestaan multidimensionale edities nog niet?

- Techniek
  - complex, maar dat is Finale ook
- Modelmatig denken
  - logisch, formeel
  - model simplificeert realiteit
- Team-aanpak vereist
  - meerdere specialismen
  - musicologie=individualistisch
  - Malcolm Scoble (over biologische taxonomie):  
**can we do the sociology?**

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## Final remarks

- aim of DCEM: enhance musicological methods
  - work vs. instance (score, performance)
  - data-rich approach
  - adaptive/personalised presentation
- develop modular approach, iterative development of DCEMs
- how to set debate going?
  - disseminating the idea
  - show how DCEM may interact with other computational approaches
    - analysis, retrieval, performance studies
  - towards an information infrastructure for musicology
  - demonstrate feasibility and validity
  - **important task for KVNM**
    - publisher *and* scholarly community
    - opportunities for both technology and sociology

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