

The background is a gradient from dark purple to blue, featuring several overlapping circular patterns. A prominent scale on the left side ranges from 140 to 260 in increments of 10. Other circles contain arrows and partial arcs, suggesting a technical or scientific theme.

THE CLASSICAL SONATA

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WHAT IS A SONATA?

- ❖ A sonata usually consists of an instrument accompanied by a piano (eg. a violin sonata has a violin and a piano) or a solo piano.

The Movements:

- ❖ 1st movement: Allegro (fast) in sonata form
- ❖ 2nd movement: Slow
- ❖ 3rd movement: Minuet and Trio or Scherzo
- ❖ 4th movement: Allegro

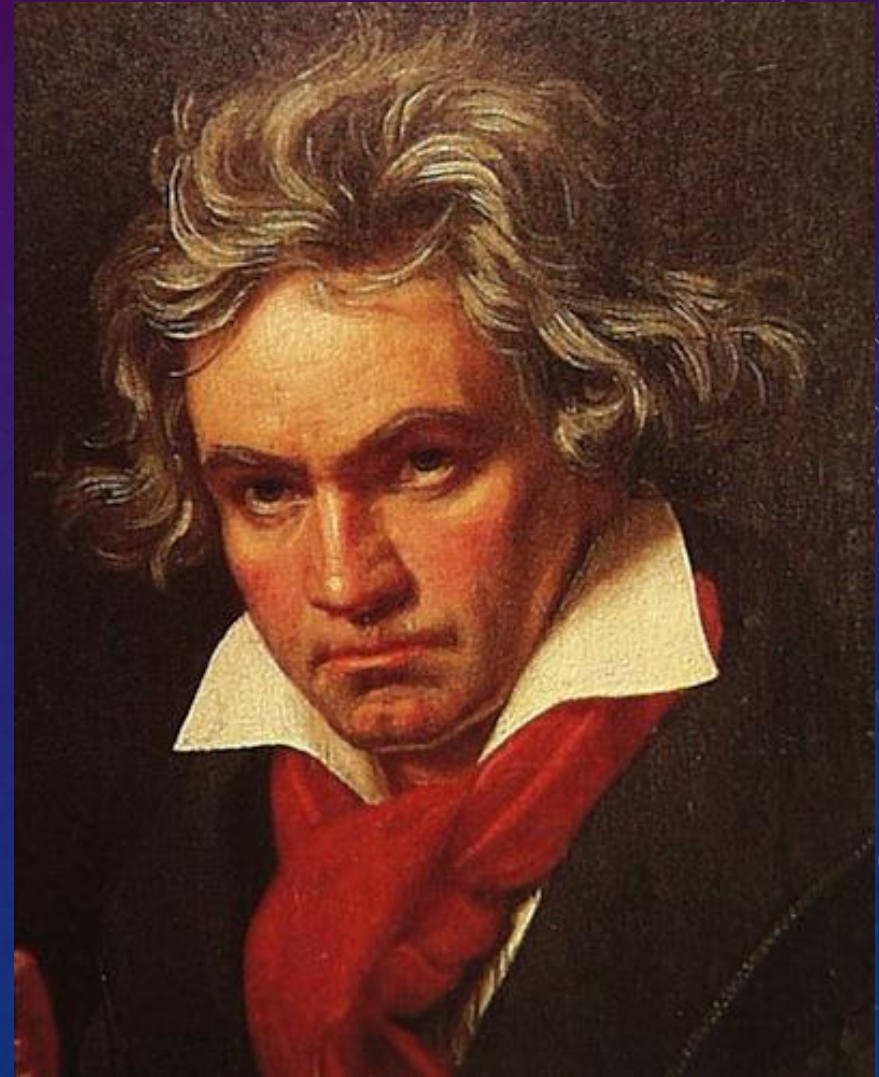


TOP COMPOSERS

- Beethoven

Wrote 'Moonlight Sonata'

Was deaf near the end of his life (he was 40 and had tinnitus) and relied on the vibrations of the instruments in order to compose things. He said, "... For two years I have avoided almost all social gatherings because it is impossible for me to say to people "I am deaf". If I belonged to any other profession it would be easier, but in my profession it is a frightful state..."



TOP COMPOSERS

- Mozart

He was a child prodigy – by the age of 5 he had started his musical career. (He was a virtuoso).

He wrote 18 sonatas in total

FACTS:

- ❖ He was bankrupt when he died
- ❖ Legend has it that at the age of two, he identified a pig's squeal as a G Sharp
- ❖ Mozart learned to speak 15 different languages



The background is a dark blue gradient with a field of small white stars. Overlaid on this are several technical diagrams. In the top right, there is a large circular diagram with concentric rings and radial lines, resembling a scale or a gauge, with numbers from 80 to 210. In the bottom right, there is a smaller circular diagram with concentric rings and a dashed outer boundary. In the bottom left, there is a partial circular diagram with a dashed outer boundary and an arrow pointing left. In the top left, there is a small circular diagram with a dashed outer boundary and an arrow pointing left.

(an extract from) Drei Sonaten
(Beethoven)