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Selected Topics in Deep Learning for Audio, Speech, and Music Processing

Introduction to Music Processing

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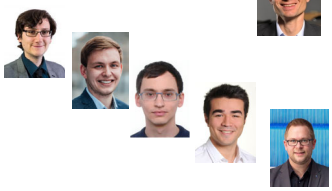

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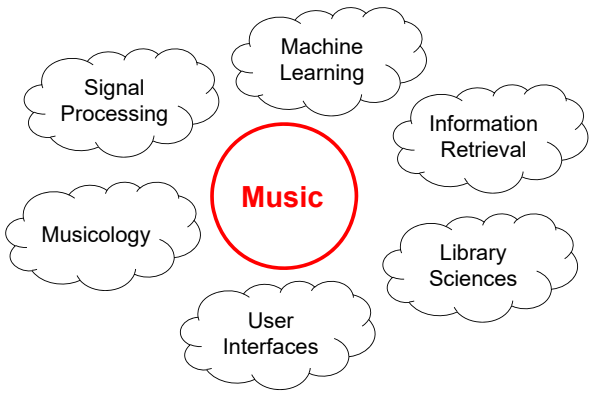

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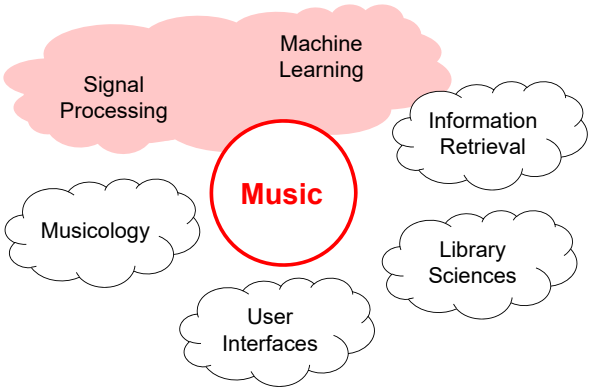

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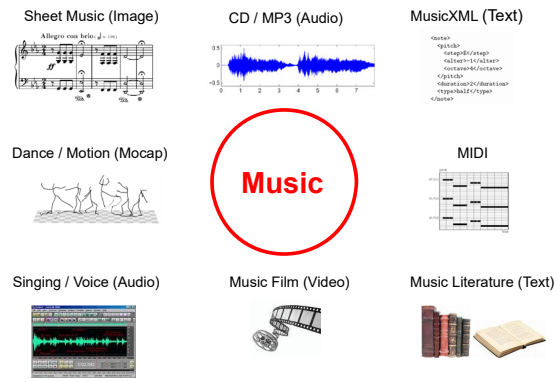
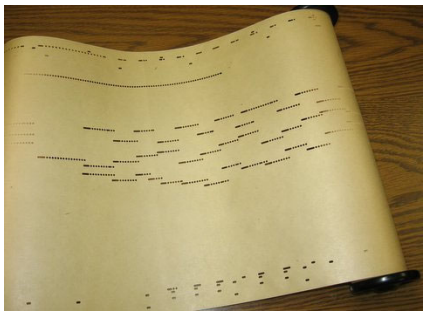


Piano Roll Representation

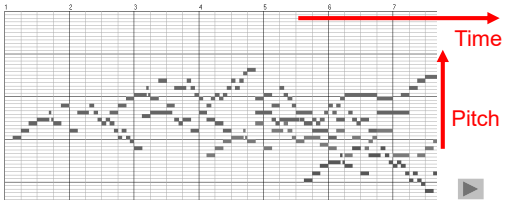


Player Piano (1900)

Piano Roll Representation (MIDI)

J.S. Bach, C-Major Fuge

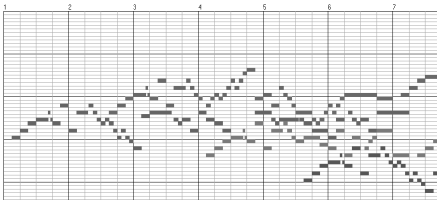
(Well Tempered Piano, BWV 846)



Piano Roll Representation (MIDI)

Query:

Goal: Find all occurrences of the query



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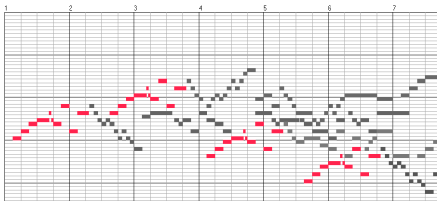
Matches:



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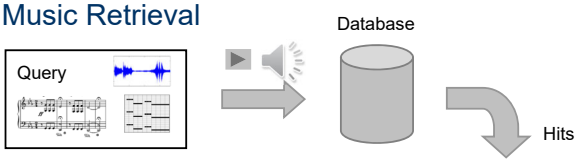


Retrieval tasks:

Audio identification

Audio matching

Version identification

Category-based music retrieval

Bernstein (1962)
Beethoven, Symphony No. 5

Beethoven, Symphony No. 5:
- Bernstein (1962)
- Karajan (1982)
- Gould (1992)

- Beethoven, Symphony No. 9
- Beethoven, Symphony No. 3
- Haydn Symphony No. 94

Music Retrieval

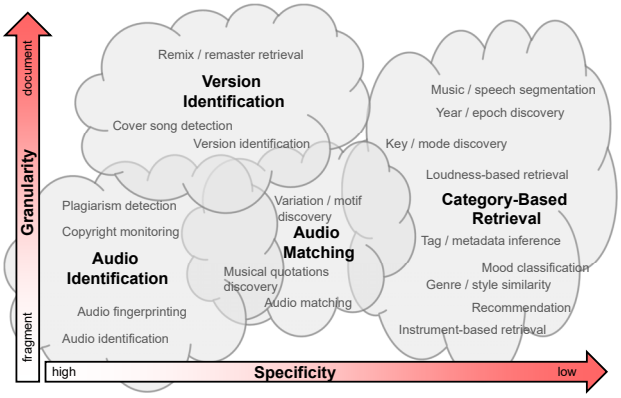
Modalities

Specificity **Granularity**

Retrieval tasks:

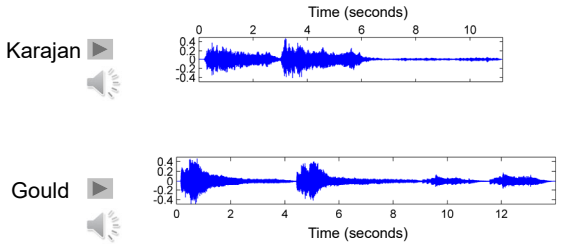
Audio identification	High specificity	Fragment-based retrieval
Audio matching	↕	↕
Version identification	Low specificity	Document-based retrieval
Category-based music retrieval		

Music Retrieval



Music Synchronization: Audio-Audio

Beethoven's Fifth



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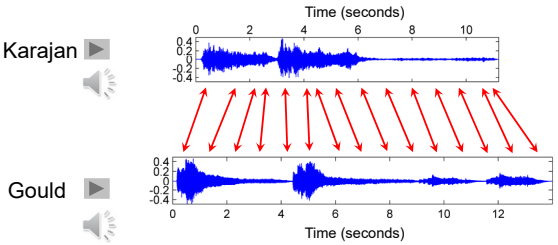


Application: Interpretation Switcher

Music Synchronization: Audio-Audio

Task

Given: Two different audio recordings (two versions) of the same underlying piece of music.

Goal: Find for each position in one audio recording the musically corresponding position in the other audio recording.

Music Synchronization: Audio-Audio

Traditional Engineering Approach:

1.) Feature extraction

- Robust to variations (e.g., instrumentation, timbre, dynamics)
- Discriminative (e.g., capturing harmonic, melodic, tonal aspects)

➡ **Chroma features**

2.) Temporal alignment

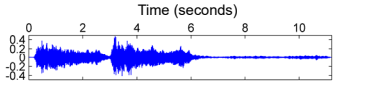
- Capturing local and global tempo variations
- Trade-off: Robustness vs. accuracy
- Efficiency

➡ **Dynamic time warping (DTW)**

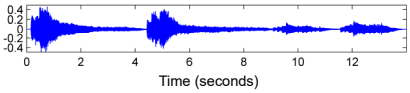
Music Synchronization: Audio-Audio

Beethoven's Fifth

Karajan



Gould



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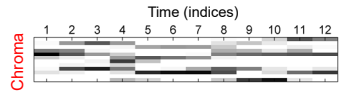
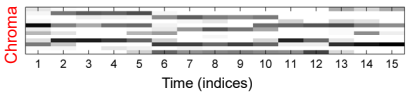


Time–chroma representations

Gould



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Beethoven's Fifth

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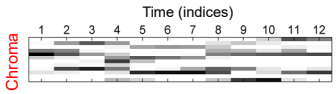

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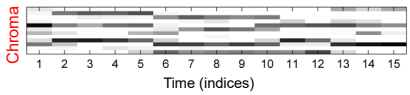

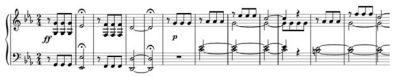

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Beethoven's Fifth

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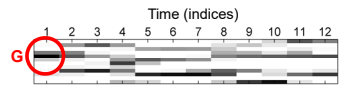

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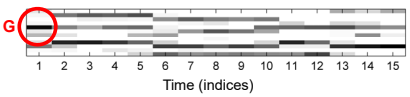

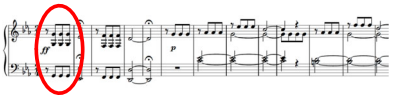

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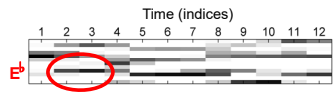

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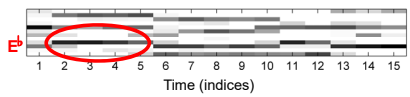

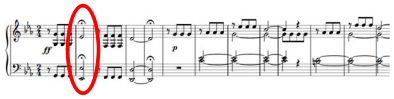

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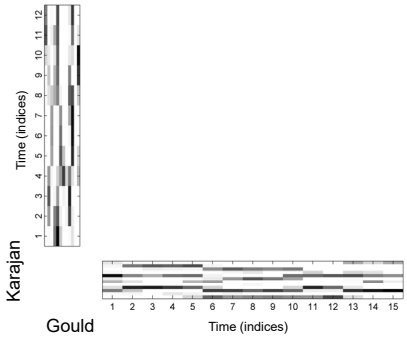
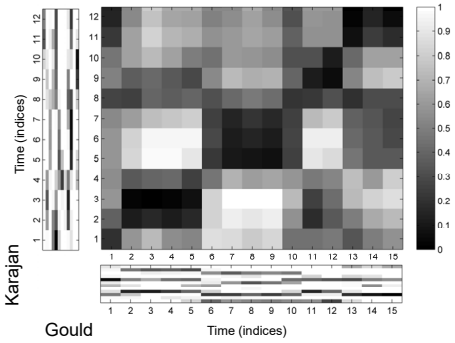


Music Synchronization: Audio-Audio

Cost matrix



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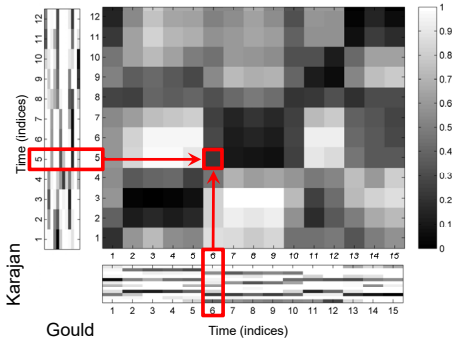
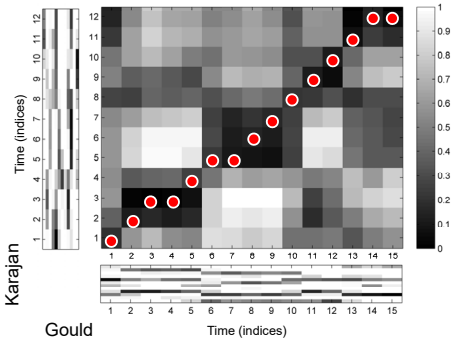


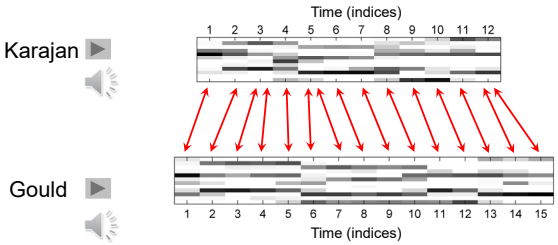
Music Synchronization: Audio-Audio

Cost-minimizing warping path



Music Synchronization: Audio-Audio

Optimal alignment (cost-minimizing warping path)



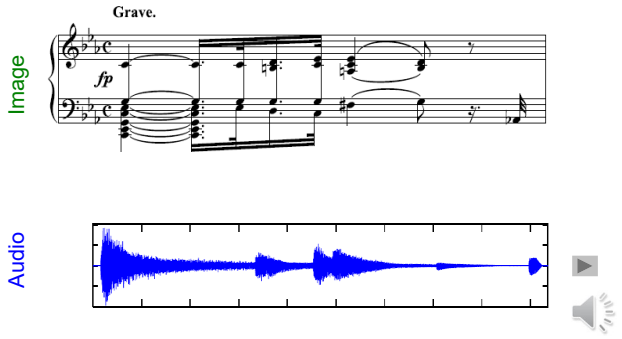
Music Synchronization: Audio-Audio

Deep Learning Approaches:

- Learn audio features from data
  - Should be able to achieve high alignment accuracy
  - Should be robust to performance variations
  - Musical relevance?
- Alignment problem
  - Pre-aligned data for training
  - Part of loss function → differentiability?

Lecture 9: Connectionist Temporal Classification (CTC) Loss with Applications to Theme-Based Music Retrieval

Music Synchronization: Image-Audio



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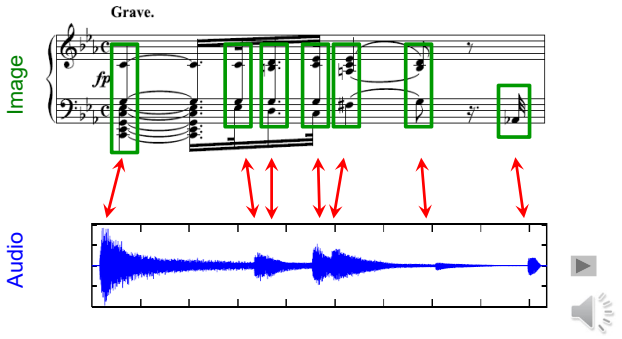
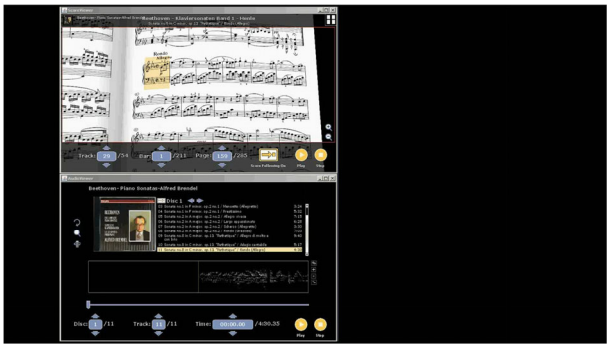


Application: Score Viewer



How to make the data comparable?

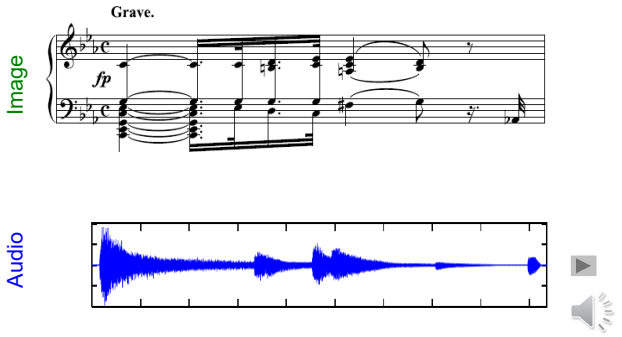


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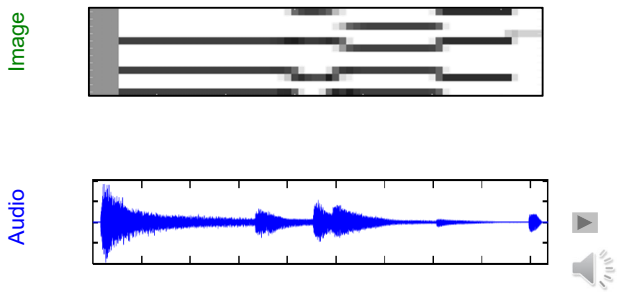
Image Processing: Optical Music Recognition



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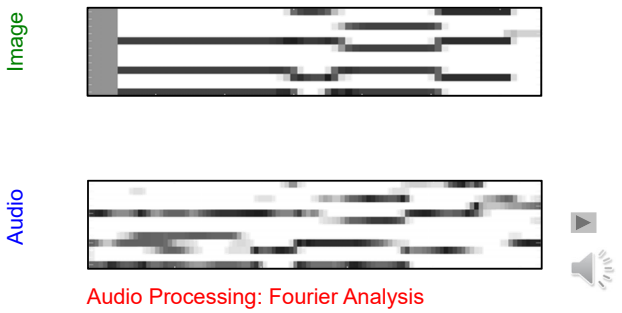
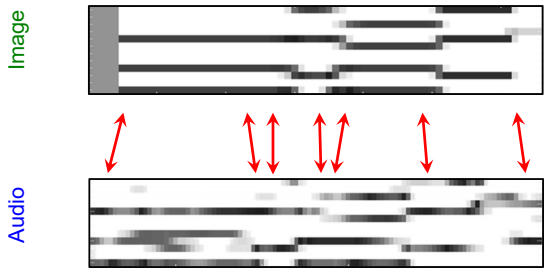


Audio Processing: Fourier Analysis

How to make the data comparable?

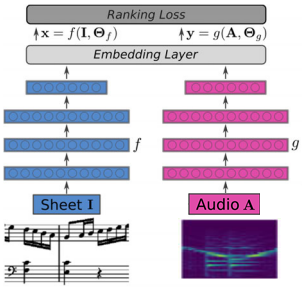
Image Processing: Optical Music Recognition



Audio Processing: Fourier Analysis

Music Synchronization: Image-Audio

Deep Learning Approach:

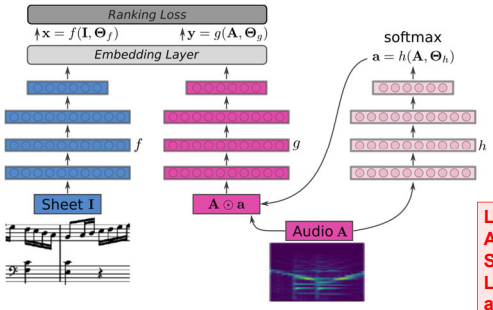


- Cross-modal embedding
- Requires corresponding snippets of audio and sheet music for training
- Triplet Loss function $\max(0, d(x^a, y^p) - d(x^a, y^n) + \alpha)$
- Problem very hard
  - Performance variations
  - Layout variations

Dorfer, Schlüter, Vall, Korzeniowski, Widmer. End-to-End Cross-Modality Retrieval with CCA Projections and Pairwise Ranking Loss. International Journal of Multimedia Information Retrieval, 2018.

Music Synchronization: Image-Audio

Deep Learning Approach: Soft Attention Mechanism



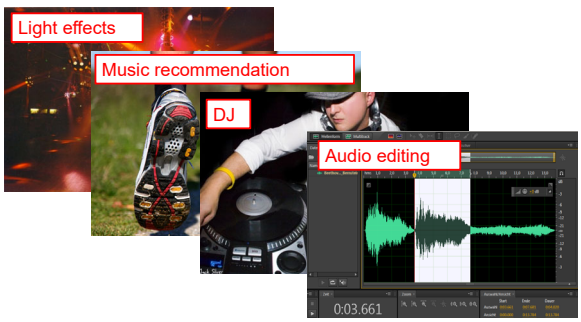
Lecture 7: Attention in Sound Source Localization and Speaker Extraction

Music Processing

Coarse/Relative Level	Fine/Absolute Level
What do different versions or instances have in common?	What are the characteristics of a specific version or instance?
Provide coarse description: What makes up a piece of music?	Capture nuances and subtleties: What makes music come alive?
Identify despite of differences	Identify the differences
Example tasks: **Music Retrieval** **Genre Classification** **Global Tempo Estimation**	Example tasks: **Music Transcription** **Performance Analysis** **Local Tempo Estimation**

Tempo Estimation and Beat Tracking

Basic task: "Tapping the foot when listening to music"



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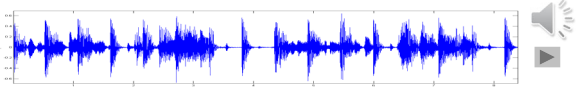

Time (seconds)

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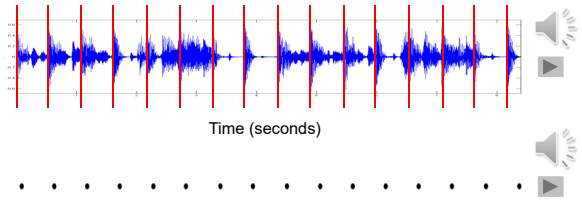


Tempo Estimation and Beat Tracking

Example: Chopin – Mazurka Op. 68-3

Pulse level: Quarter note

Tempo: ???

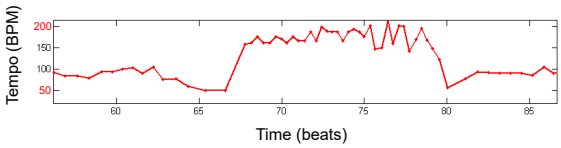
Tempo Estimation and Beat Tracking

Example: Chopin – Mazurka Op. 68-3

Pulse level: Quarter note

Tempo: 50-200 BPM

Tempo curve



Tempo Estimation and Beat Tracking

Tasks

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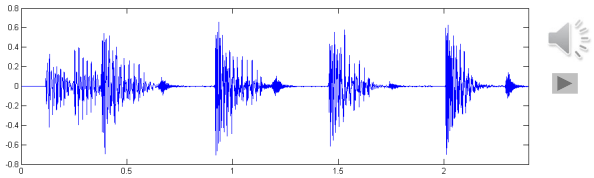

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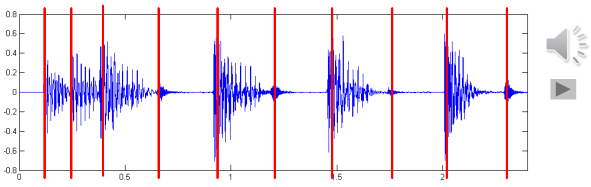

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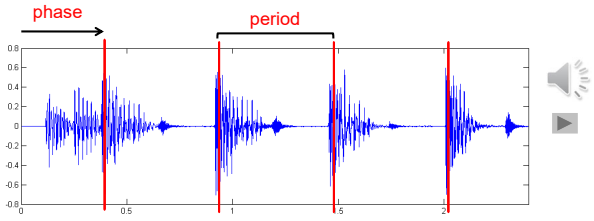

Tempo Estimation and Beat Tracking

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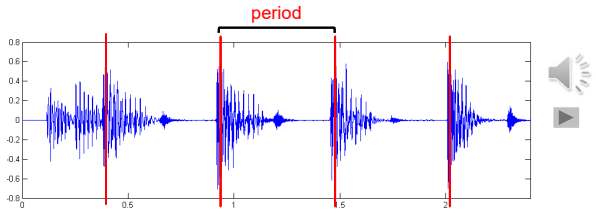
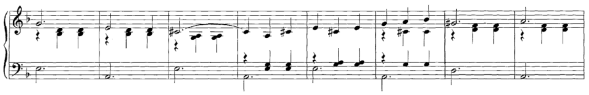
Tempo := 60 / period

Beats per minute (BPM)



Onset Detection (Spectral Flux)



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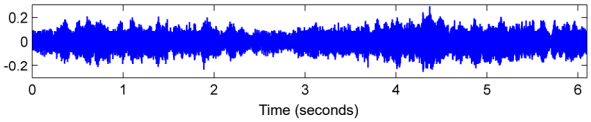

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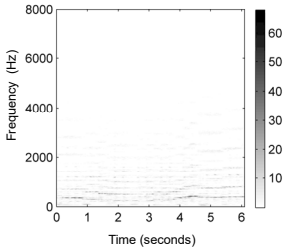
Magnitude spectrogram $|X|$

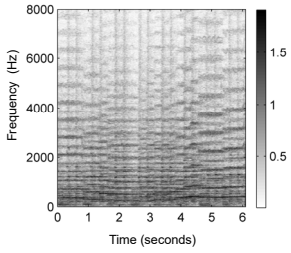


Steps:

1. Spectrogram

Onset Detection (Spectral Flux)

Compressed spectrogram Y



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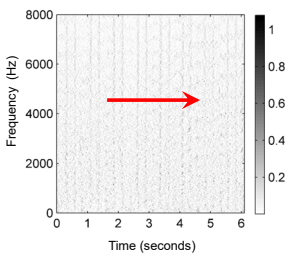

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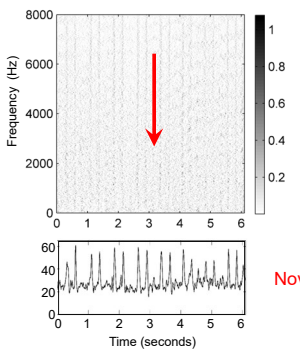

Novelty curve

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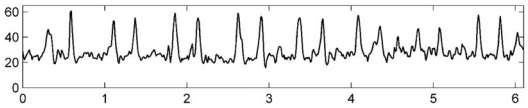

Onset Detection (Spectral Flux)

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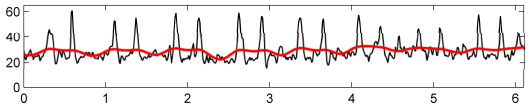
Novelty function

Substraction of local average



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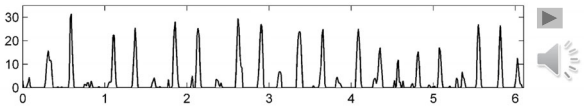

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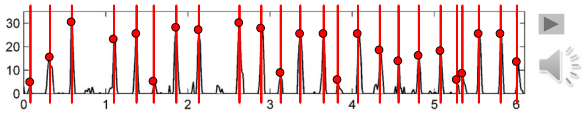

Onset Detection (Spectral Flux)

Deep Learning Approaches:

1. Input representation
2. Sigmoid activation
3. Convolution & rectified linear unit (ReLU)
4. Pooling
5. Convolution & ReLU

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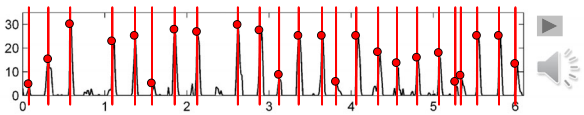

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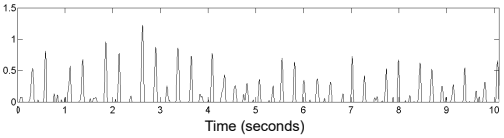

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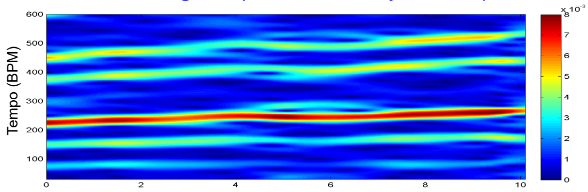

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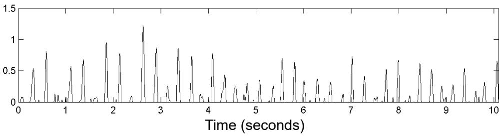

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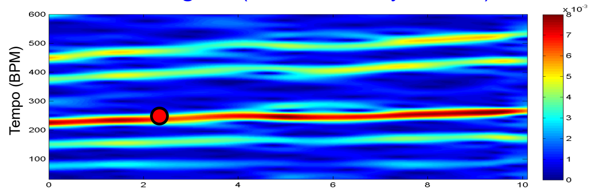

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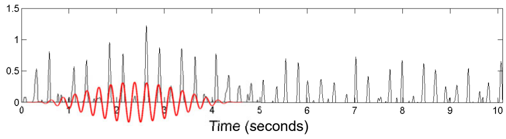

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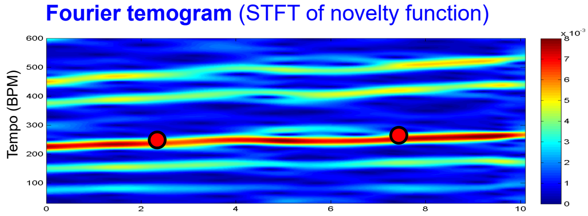

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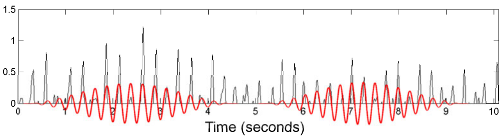

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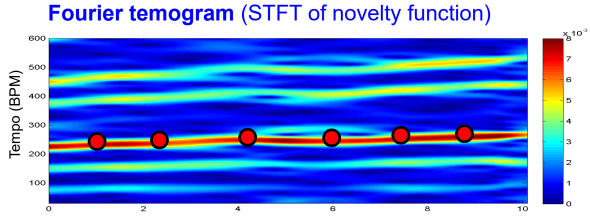

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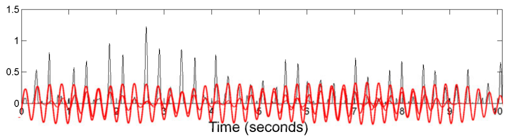

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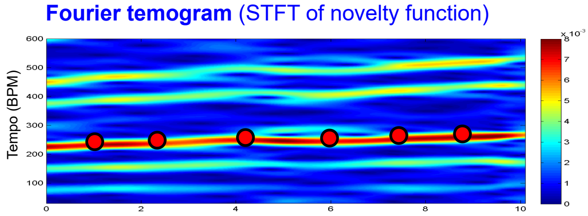

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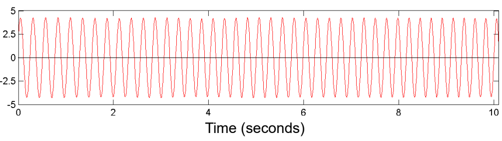

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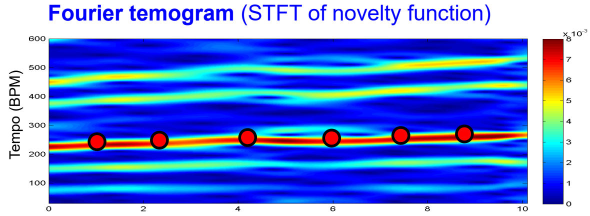

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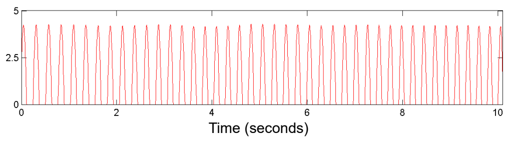

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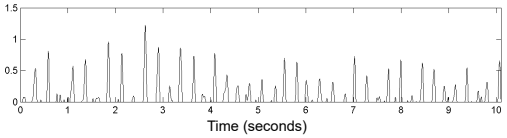
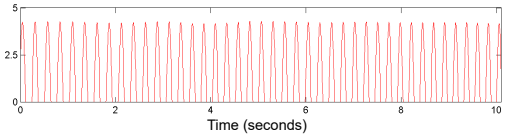


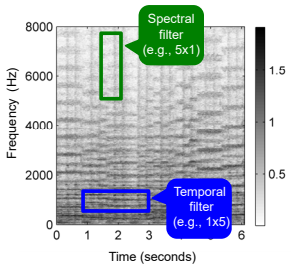
Predominant Local Pulse (PLP)



Local Pulse and Tempo Tracking

Deep Learning Approaches:

- End-to-end approach
  - Input: Short audio snippets
  - Output: Tempo value
- DL architecture inspired by traditional engineering
  - Layers and activation functions
  - Shape of convolutional kernels



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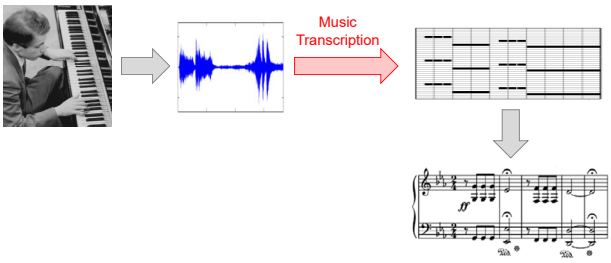

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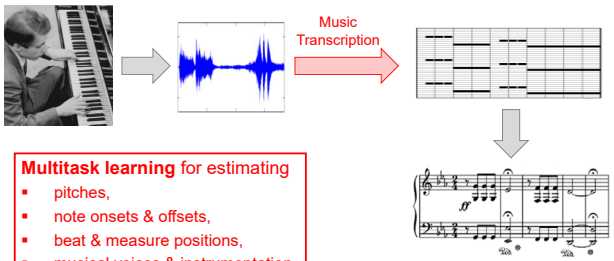

Multitask learning for estimating
- pitches,
- note onsets & offsets,
- beat & measure positions,
- musical voices & instrumentation,
- pedalling, dynamics, …

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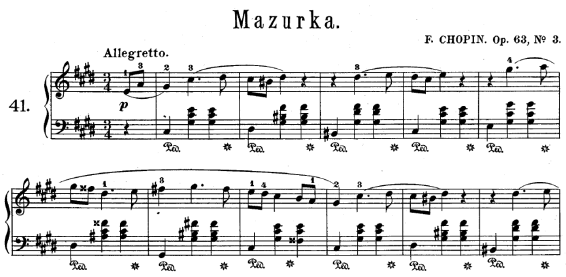

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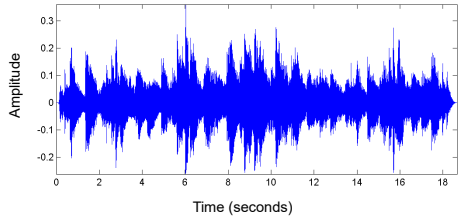

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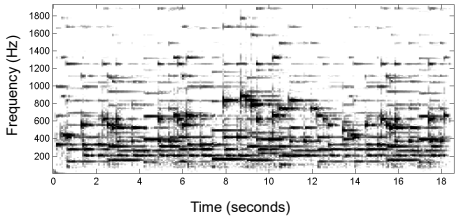

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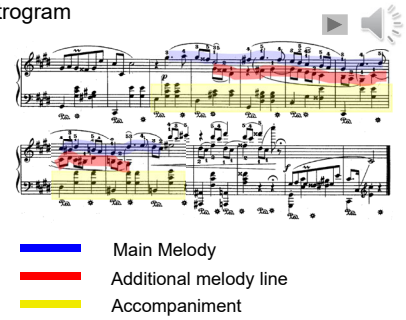

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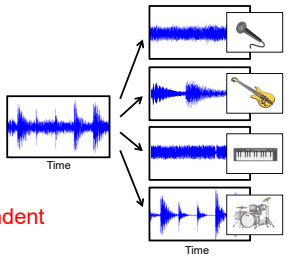
Source Separation (Music)

- Main melody, accompaniment, drum track
- Instrumental voices
- Individual note events
- Only mono or stereo
- Sources are often highly dependent



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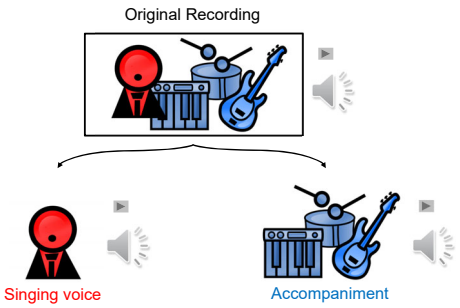

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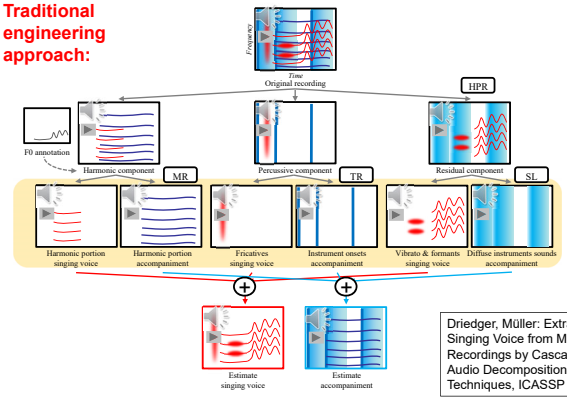
Traditional engineering approach:



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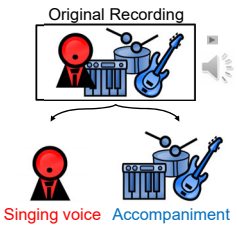

Deep learning has lead to breakthrough

Lecture 5: Music Source Separation

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Engineering approach:

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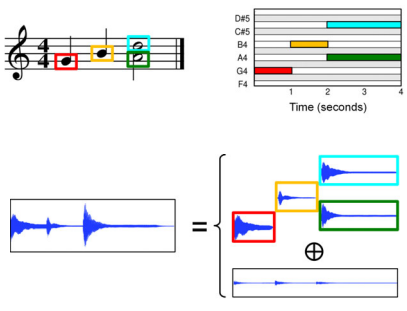

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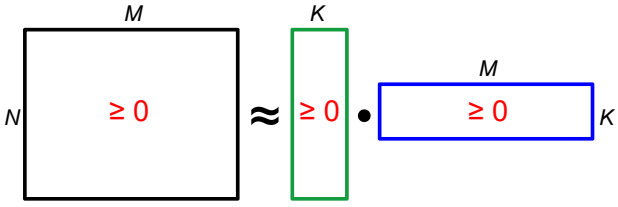

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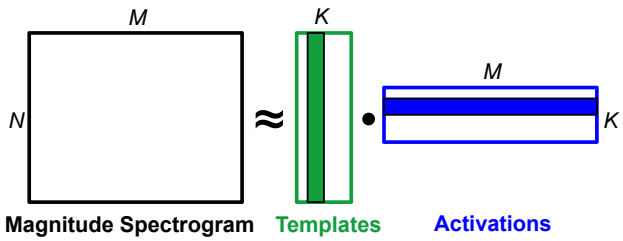
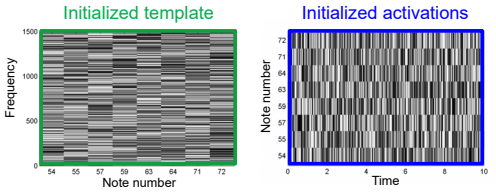


Templates: Pitch + Timbre — "How does it sound"

Activations: Onset time + Duration — "When does it sound"

NMF-Decomposition



Random initialization

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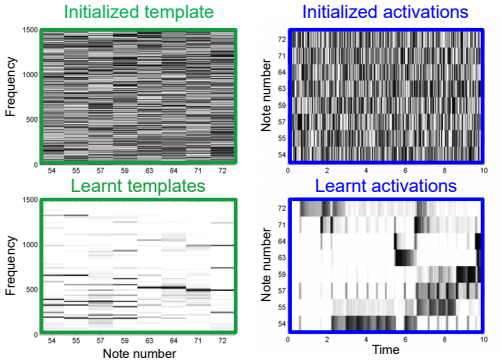

Random initialization → No semantic meaning

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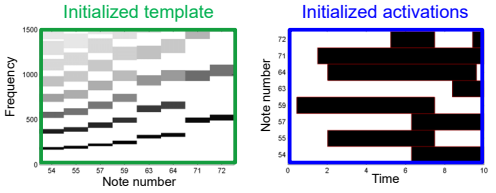

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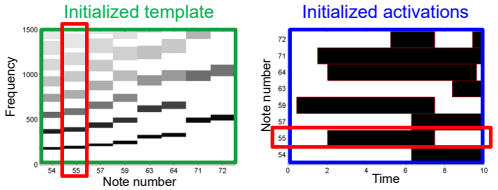

Template constraint for p=55

Activation constraints for p=55

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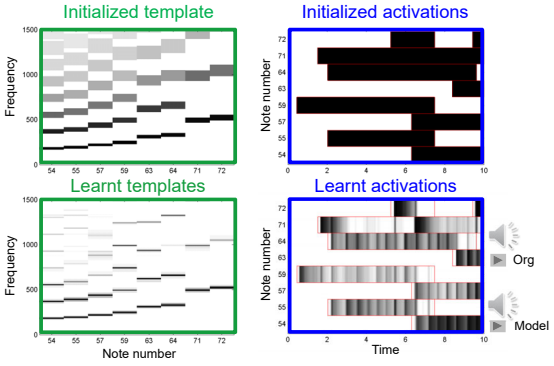
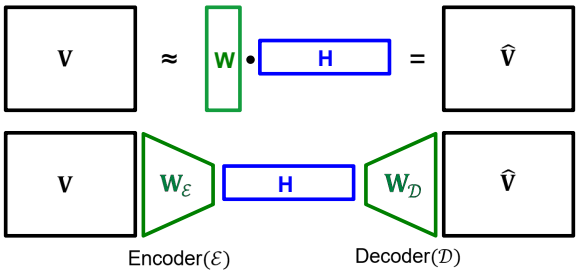


Constrained initialization → NMF as refinement

NMF-Decomposition



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Lecture 6: Nonnegative Autoencoders with Applications to Music Audio Decomposing

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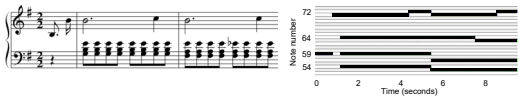

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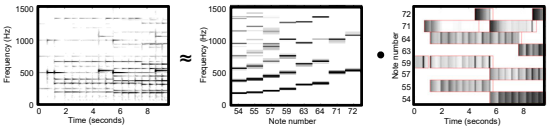

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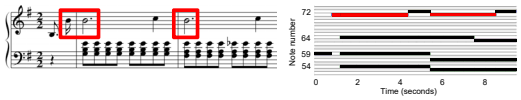

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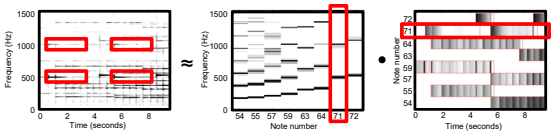

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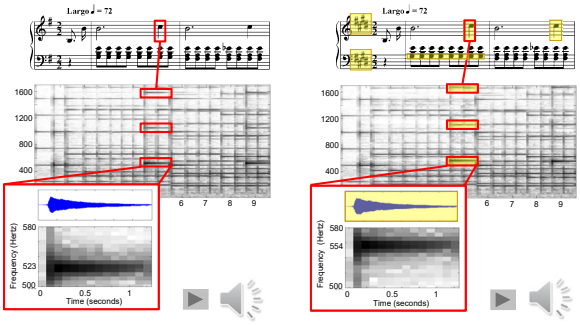
Application: Audio editing



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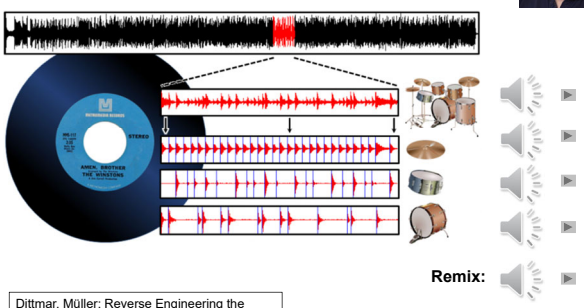

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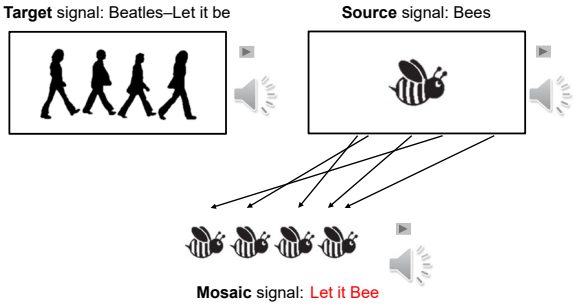
Major challenge: Reconstructed sound events often have artifacts

Approaches:

- Resynthesize certain sound components
- Differentiable Digital Signal Processing (DDSP) combines classical DSP and deep learning
- Generative adversarial networks may help to reduce the artifacts

Lecture 8: Recurrent and Generative Adversarial Network Architectures for Text-to-Speech

Audio Mosaicing



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5. Music Source Separation
6. Nonnegative Autoencoders with Applications to Music Audio Decomposing
7. Attention in Sound Source Localization and Speaker Extraction
8. Recurrent and Generative Adversarial Network Architectures for Text-to-Speech
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10. From Theory to Practise

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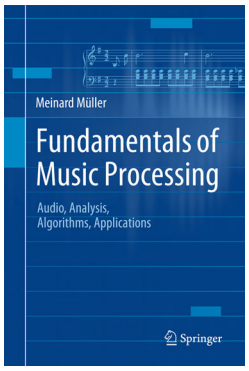

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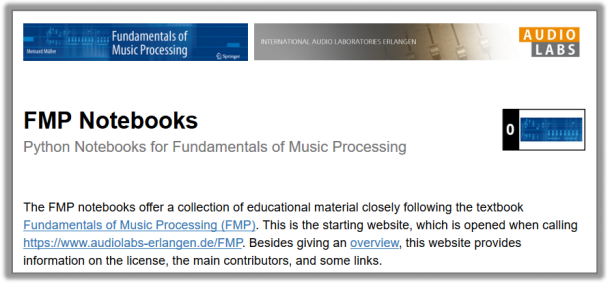

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