



**AUDIO  
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## Cross-Modal Music Retrieval

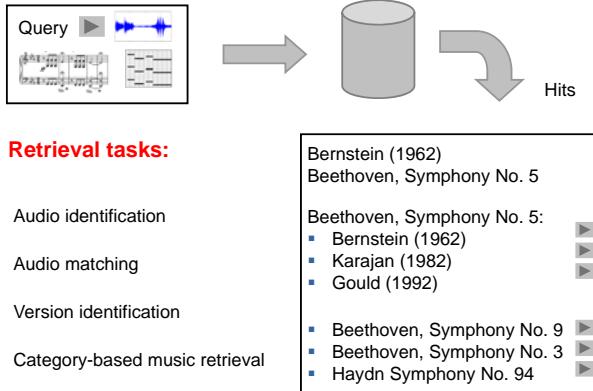
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### Query-by-Example



### Music Retrieval

**Google**

Beethoven  
beethoven  
beethoven biography  
beethoven movie  
beethoven music  
beethoven's 5th

classical  
classical music  
classical composers  
classical instruments  
classical period  
classical notation  
classical score  
classical style  
classical theory  
classical vocal  
classical vocal music  
classical vocal notation  
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classical vocal style  
classical vocal theory



- Textual metadata
  - Traditional retrieval
  - Searching for artist, title, ...
- Rich and expressive metadata
  - Generated by experts
  - Crowd tagging, social networks
- Content-based retrieval
  - Automatic generation of tags
  - Query-by-example

### Overview

- Audio Identification
- Audio Matching
- Audio Analysis

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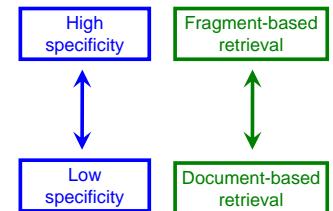
### Query-by-Example

#### Taxonomy

**Specificity level**      **Granularity level**

#### Retrieval tasks:

- Audio identification
- Audio matching
- Version identification
- Category-based music retrieval



### Overview

#### Literature

- Wang "Shazam" (ISMIR 2003)
- Allamanche et al. (AES 2001)
- Cano et al. (AES 2002)
- Haitsma/Kalker (ISMIR 2002)
- Kurth/Clausen/Ribbrock (AES 2002)
- Dupraz/Richard (ICASSP 2010)
- Ramona/Peeters (ICASSP 2011)
- ...

## Audio Identification

**Database:** Huge collection consisting of all audio recordings (feature representations) to be potentially identified.

**Goal:** Given a short **query audio fragment**, identify the original audio recording the query is taken from.

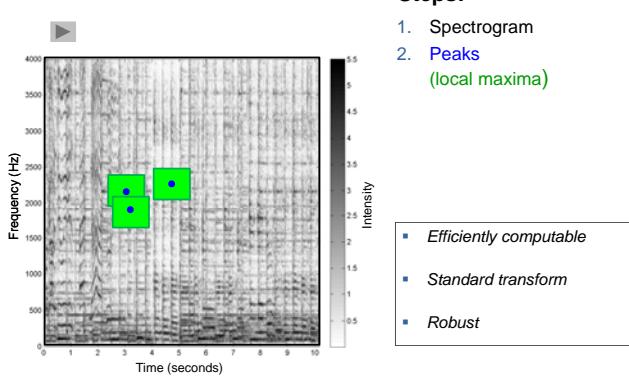
**Notes:**

- Fragment-based retrieval
- High specificity

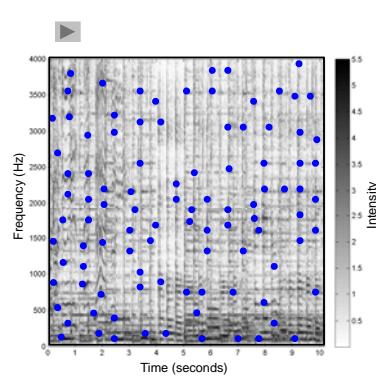
## Application Scenario

- User hears music playing in the environment
- User records music fragment (5-15 seconds) with mobile phone
- Audio fingerprints are extracted from the recording and sent to an audio identification service
- Service identifies audio recording based on fingerprints
- Service sends back metadata (track title, artist) to user

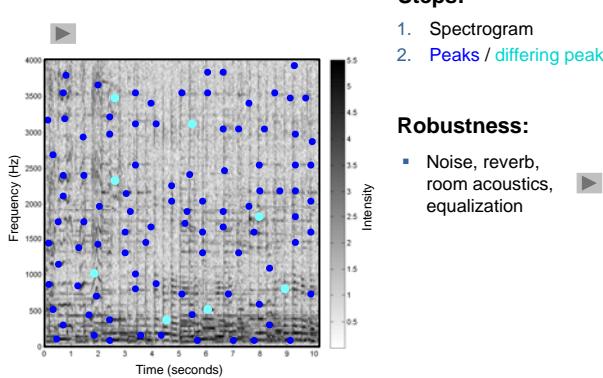
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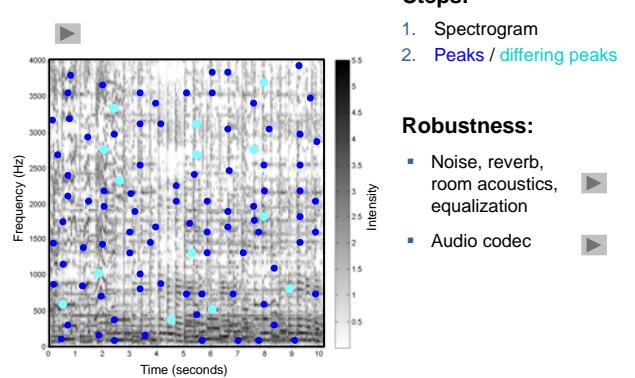
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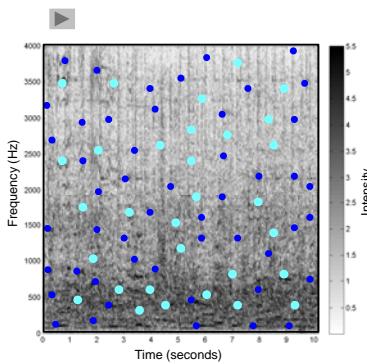
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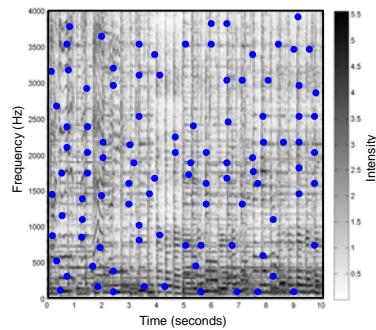
1. Spectrogram
2. Peaks / differing peaks

### Robustness:

- Noise, reverb, room acoustics, equalization
- Audio codec
- Superposition of other audio sources

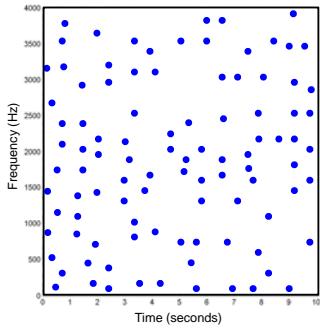
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### Database document



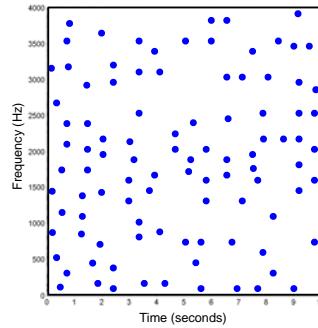
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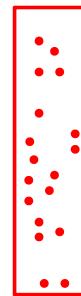


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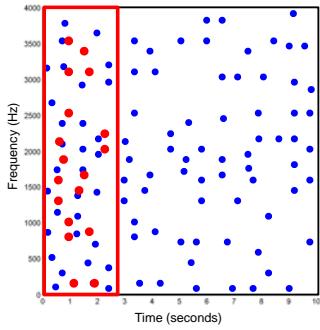


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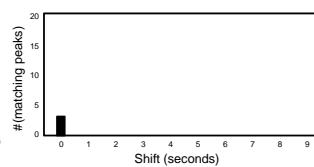
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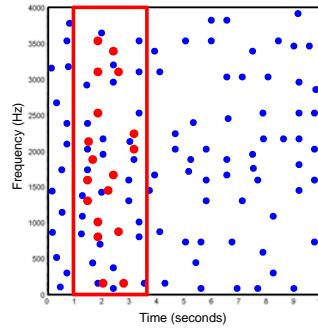
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2. Count matching peaks

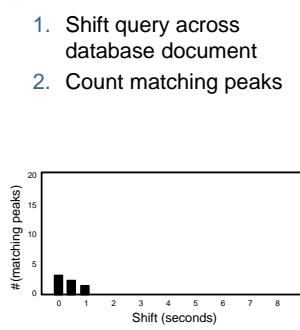


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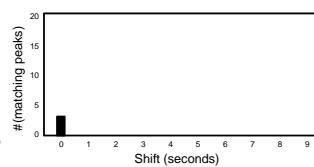
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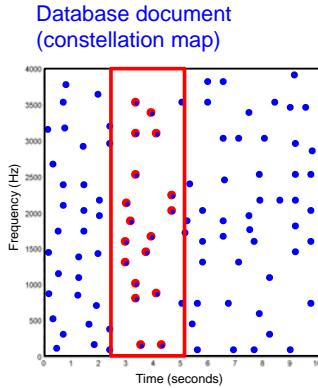
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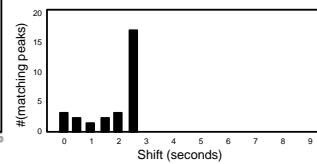
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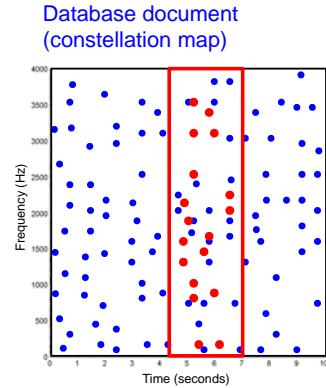
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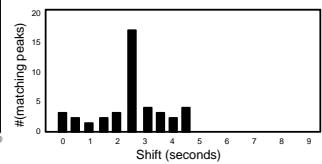
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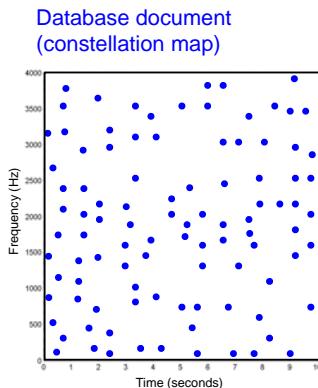
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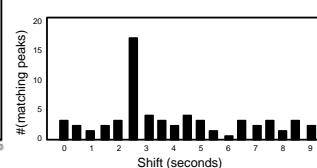
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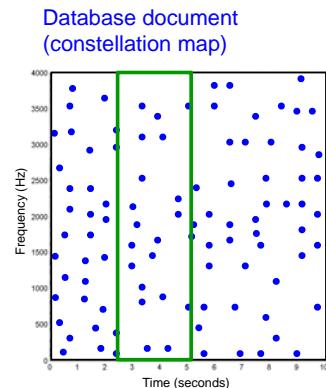
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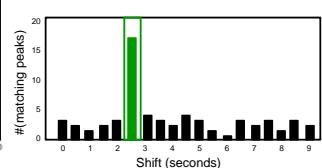
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2. Count matching peaks
3. High count indicates a hit (document ID & position)



## Summary (Audio Identification)

- Indexing crucial
- Delicate trade-off between specificity, robustness, and efficiency
- Fingerprint database
- Audio recording is identified (**not** a piece of music)
- Does not generalize to identify different interpretations or versions of the same piece of music

## Overview

- Audio Identification
- **Audio Matching**
- Audio Analysis

### Literature

- Casey et al. (IEEE TASLP 2008)
- Ellis/Polliner (ICASSP 2007)
- Kurth/Müller (IEEE TASLP 2008)
- Marolt (IEEE-TMM, 2008)
- Müller/Kurth/Claussen (ISMIR 2005)
- Pickens et al. (ISMIR 2002)
- Serrà et al. (IEEE TASLP 2008)
- Serrà (PhD 2011)
- Suyoto et al. (IEEE TASLP 2008)
- Yu et al. (ACM MM 2010)

## Audio Matching

**Database:** Audio collection containing:

- Several recordings of the same piece of music
- Different interpretations by various musicians
- Arrangements in different instrumentations

**Goal:** Given a short **query audio fragment**, find all corresponding audio fragments of similar musical content.

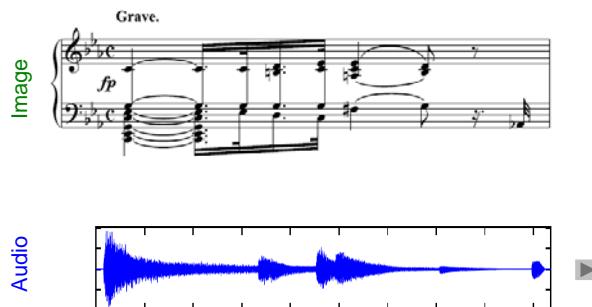
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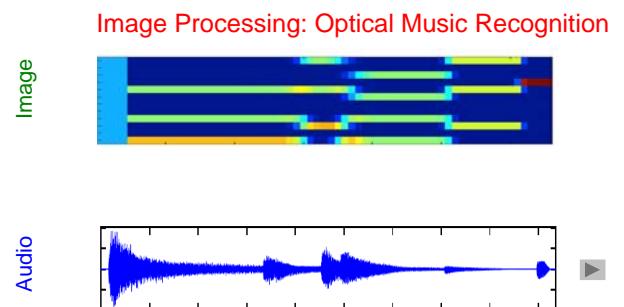
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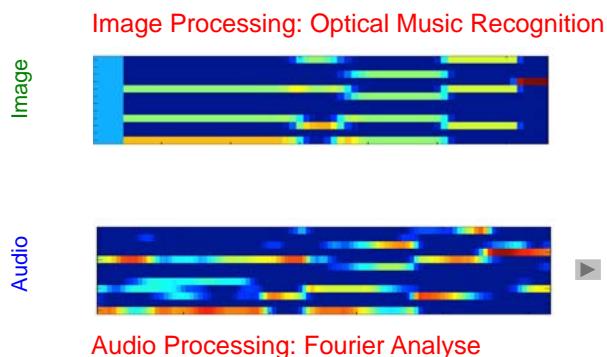
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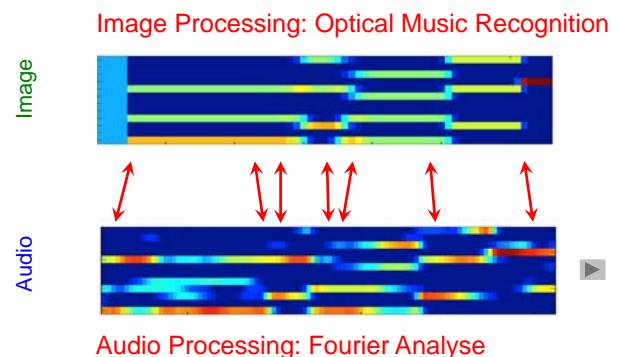
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- Timbre / Instrumentation
- Tempo / Rhythm
- Pitch / Harmony

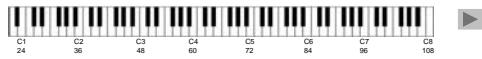
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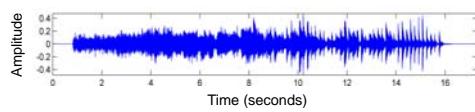
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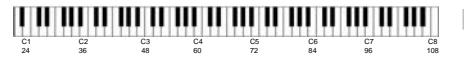


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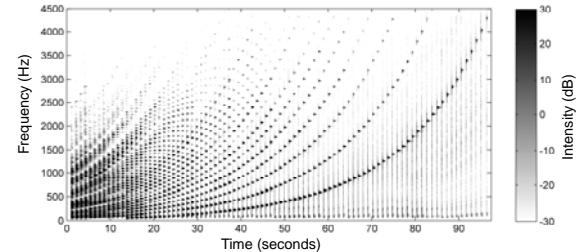


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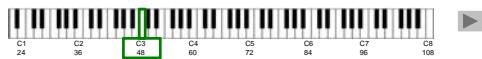


Spectrogram

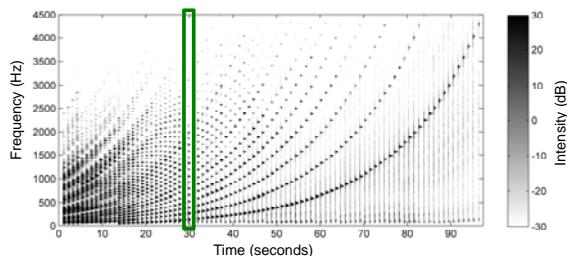


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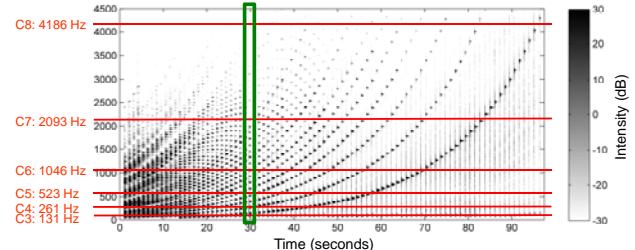


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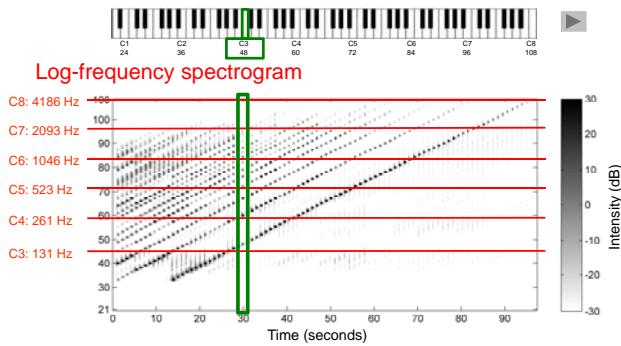


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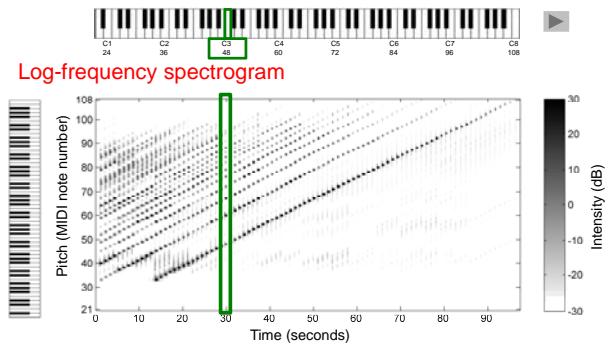
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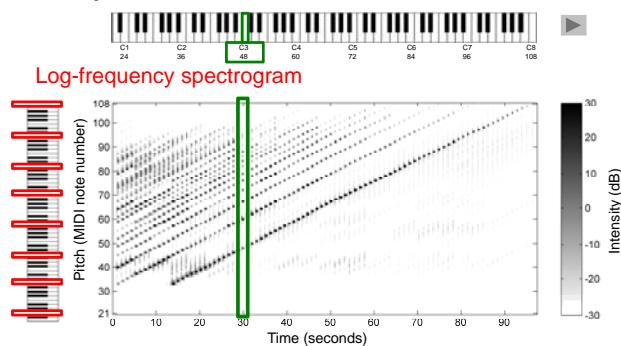
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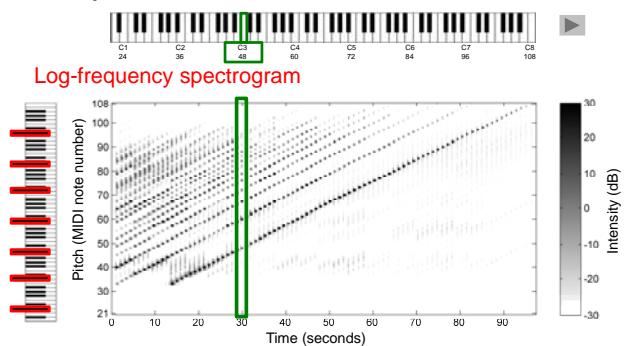
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Chroma C

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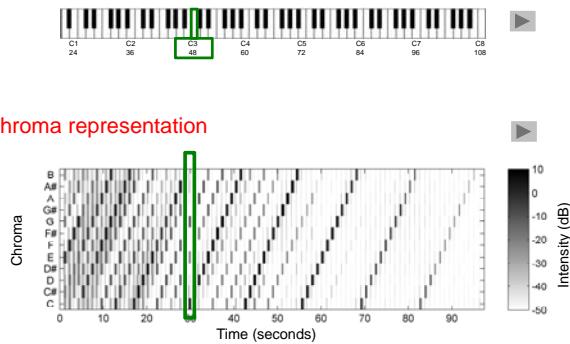
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- Müller/Ewert (IEEE TASLP 2010)
- Audio Matching
- Audio Analysis

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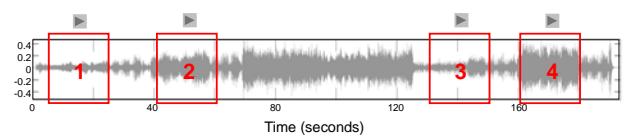
### Idea:

Use "Audio Matching" for analyzing and understanding audio & feature properties:

- Relative comparison
- Compact
- Intuitive
- Quantitative evaluation

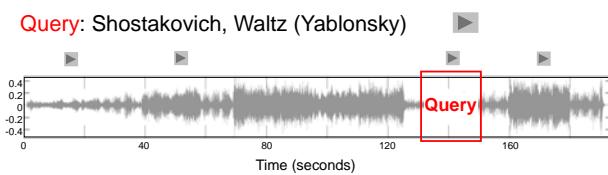
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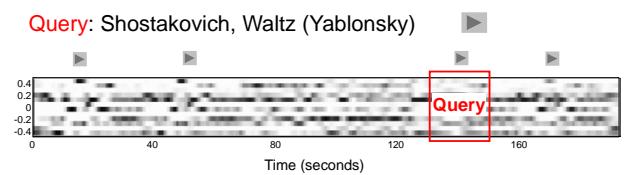
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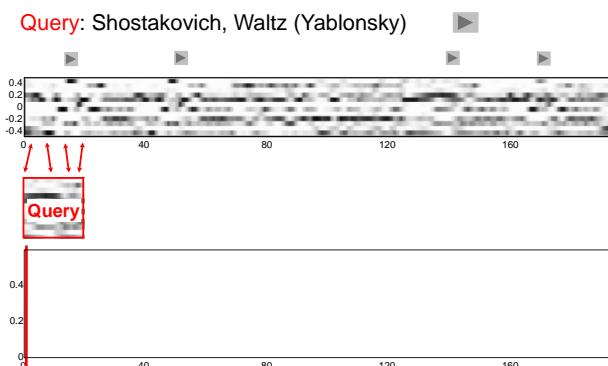
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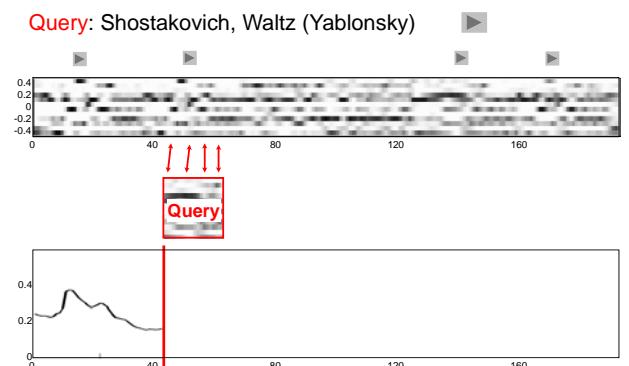
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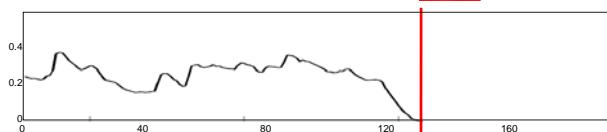
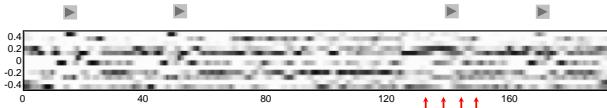
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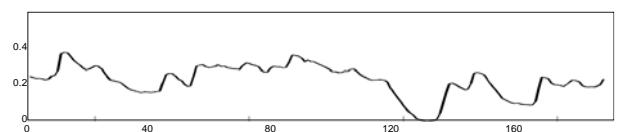
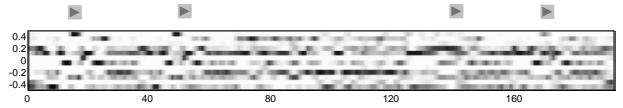
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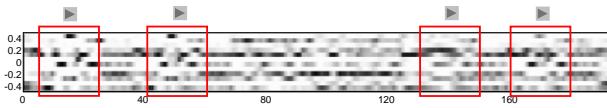
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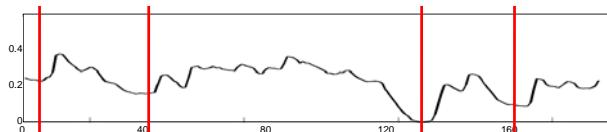


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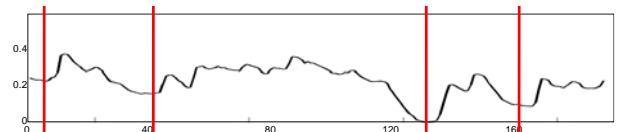


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- Use matching curve for analyzing feature properties

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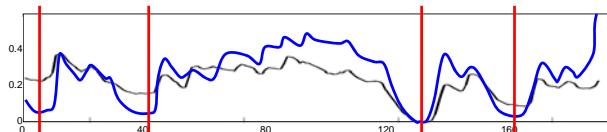


## Audio Analysis

Idea:

- Use matching curve for analyzing feature properties
- Example: Chroma feature of higher timbre invariance

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## Jazzomat

Task: Matching of music data of various types and formats

- Queries
  - Symbolic format (transcript)
  - Monophonic (solo)
- Database
  - Audio format
  - Polyphonic

Idea: Use the audio matching framework for designing musically relevant feature representations.

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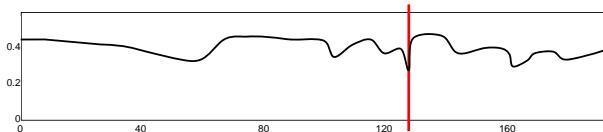
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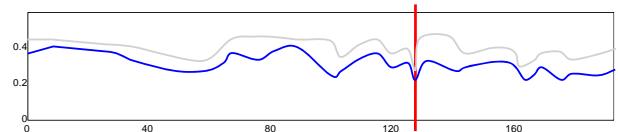
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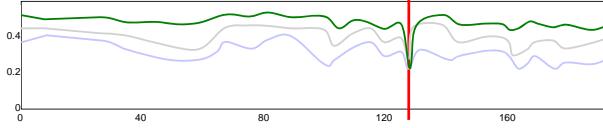
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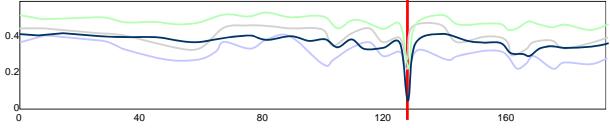
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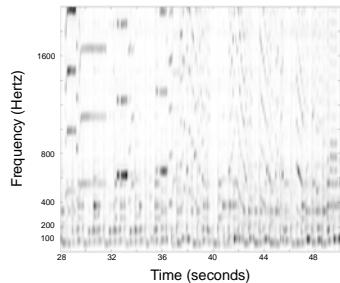
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2. Idea: Use only dominant chroma entry
3. Idea: Use chroma from salience spectrogram
4. Idea: Combine ideas from 2. and 3.



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Fundamental frequency (F0) estimation

Spectrogram

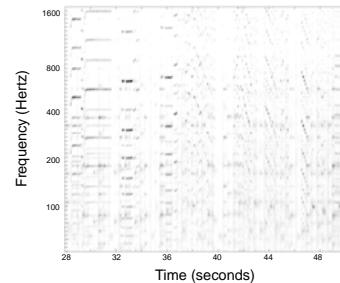


► Original audio

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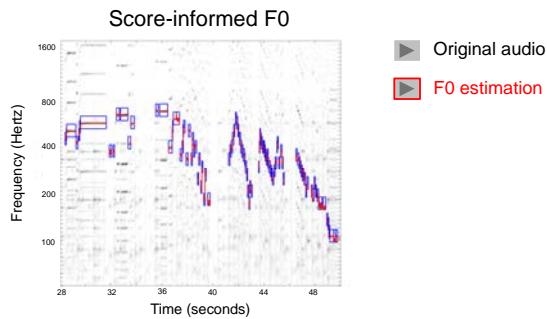
Salience log-spectrogram



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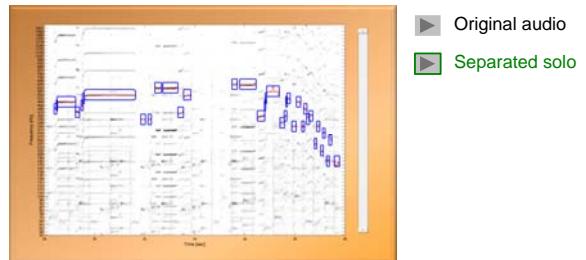
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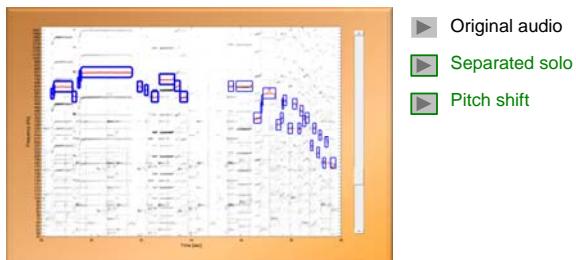
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Solo separation and editing



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Fantastic dataset useful for various music processing tasks:

- Cross-modal music retrieval
- Melody (predominant F0) tracking
- Music transcription
- Beat tracking
- Performance analysis

Dataset only useful when including the audio material!

## Book Project

### A First Course on Music Processing

Textbook (approx. 500 pages)

1. Music Representations
2. Fourier Analysis of Signals
3. Music Synchronization
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6. Temo and Beat Tracking
7. Content-based Audio Retrieval
8. Music Transcription



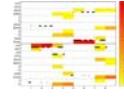
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### Computergestützte Analyse harmonischer Strukturen

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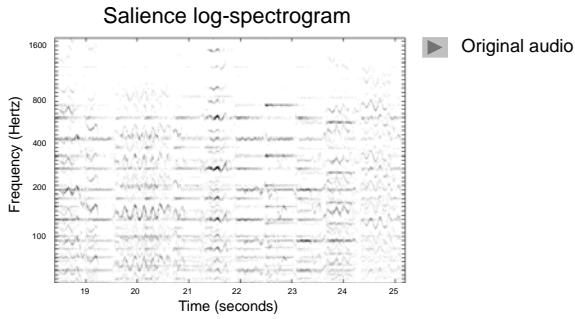
## Chroma Toolbox

- <http://www.mpi-inf.mpg.de/resources/MIR/chromatoolbox/>
- MATLAB implementations for various chroma variants



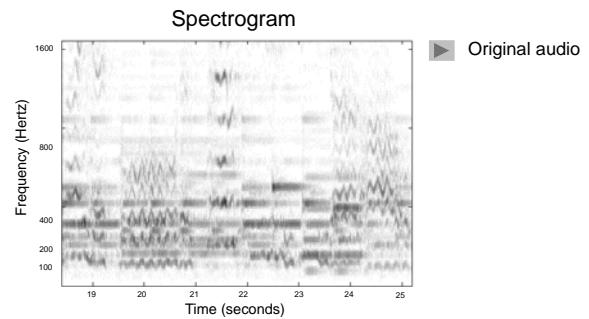
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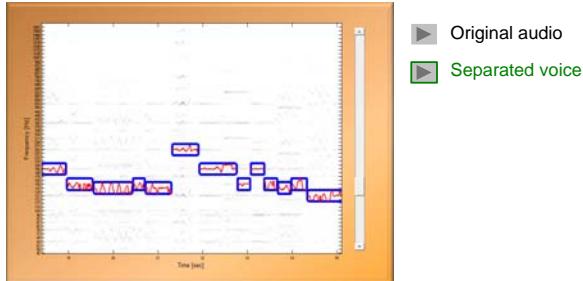
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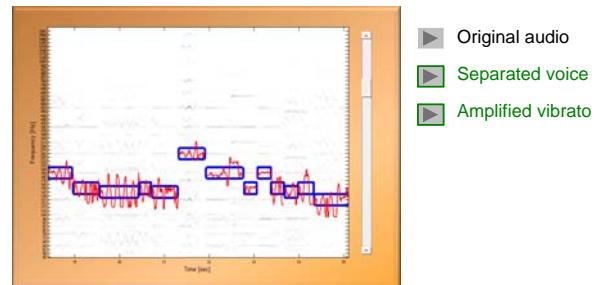
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Voice separation and editing



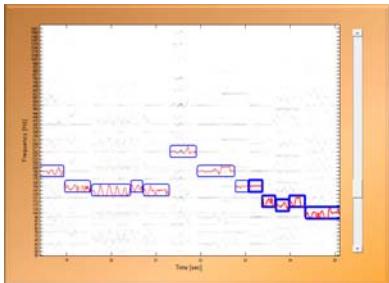
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- ▶ Original audio
- ▶ Separated voice
- ▶ Amplified vibrato
- ▶ Pitch shift

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