

Musically Informed Audio Decomposition

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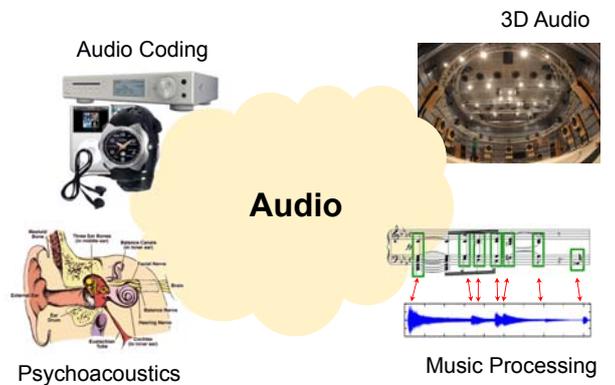
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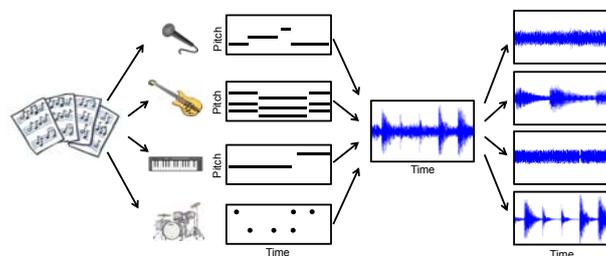
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- Extraction of main melody
- Separation of drum track
- Separation of instrumental voices
- Decomposition into individual note events
- Harmonic-percussive separation

Exploit musical knowledge to support decomposition process

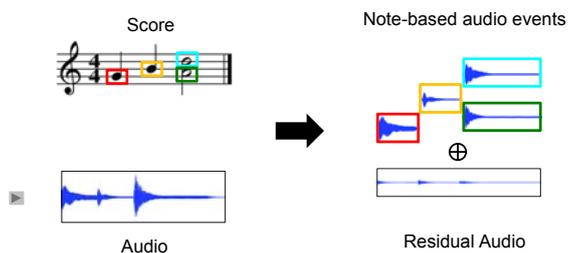
Score-Informed Source Separation

Exploit musical score to support separation process



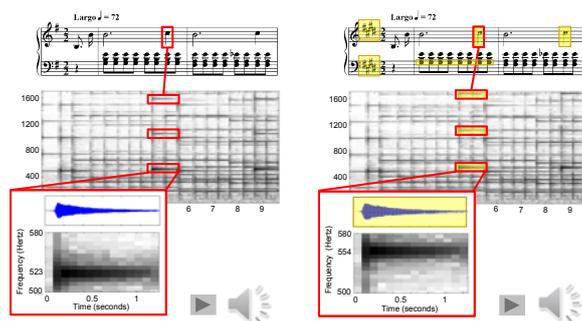
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Parameterize audio signal using score's note events



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Application: Audio editing



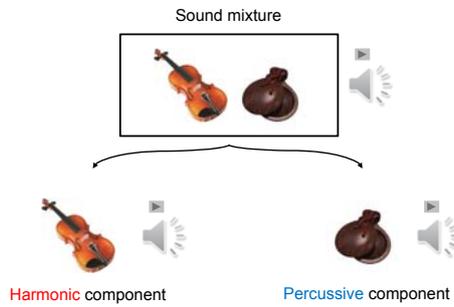
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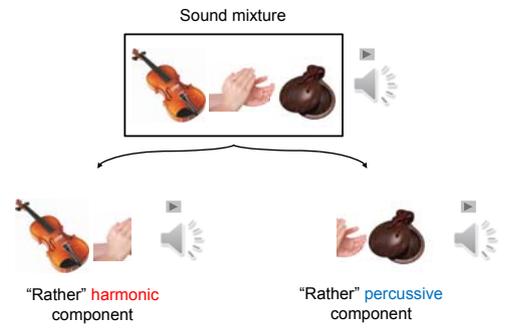
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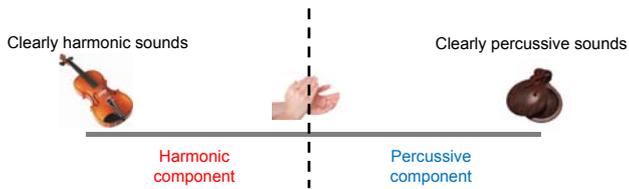
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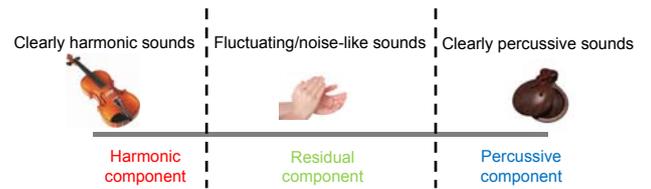
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Harmonic-Percussive-Residual Separation

Idea: Introduction of a third component



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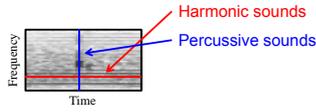
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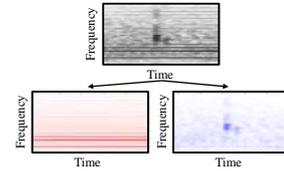


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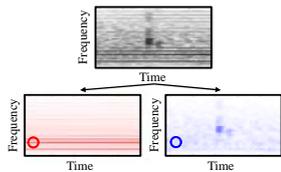


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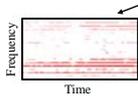
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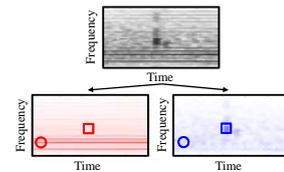


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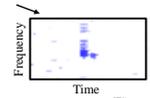
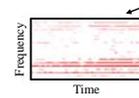
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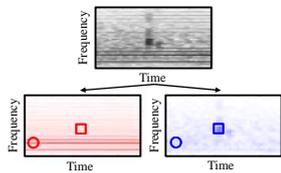


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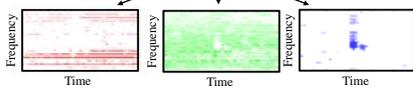
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Spectrograms of the harmonic, residual, and percussive components

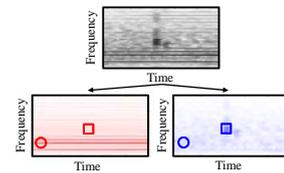


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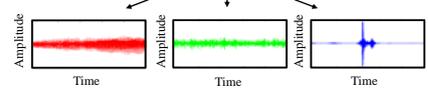
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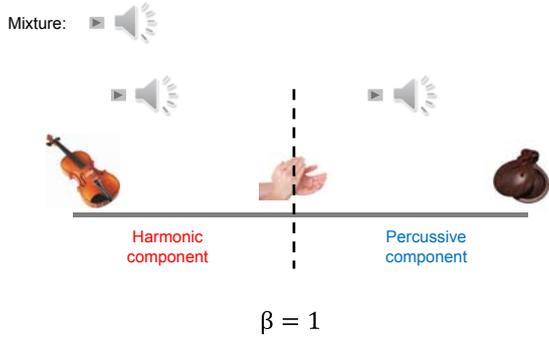
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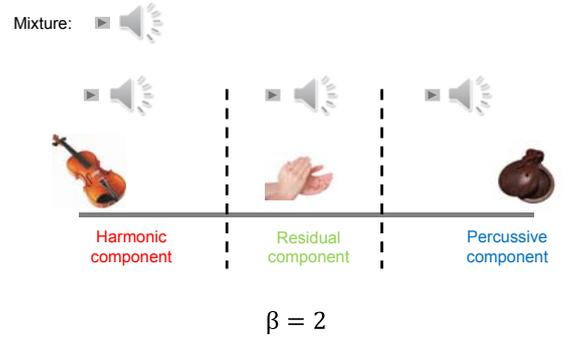


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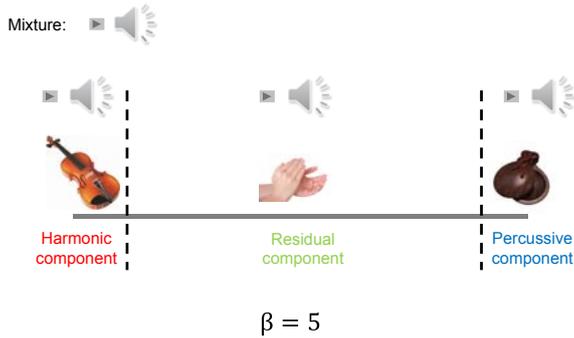
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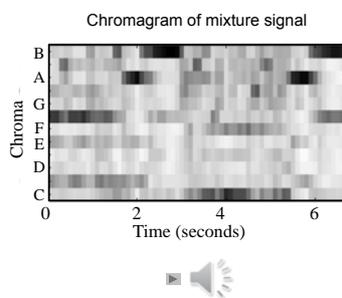
Examples:

| | Harmonic component | Residual component | Percussive component |
|---------|---|---|---|
| Stepdad |  |  |  |
| Heavy |  |  |  |

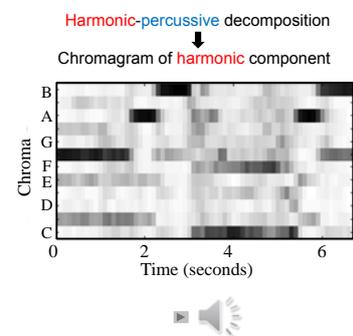
- Clearly harmonic sounds
- Noise-like sounds
- "Sound texture"
- Vibrato sounds
- Drum hits
- Fricatives
- Very short sounds

Additional audio material:
<http://www.audiolabs-erlangen.de/resources/2014-ISMIR-ExtHPSep/>
 [Driedger et al. ISMIR 2014]

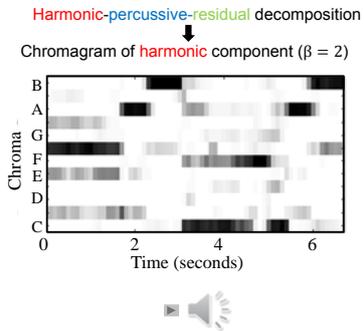
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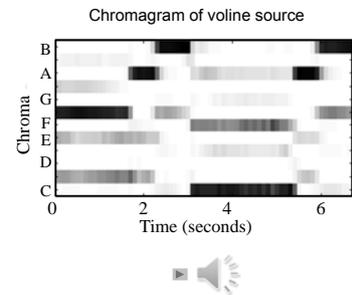
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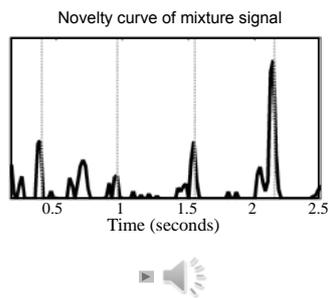
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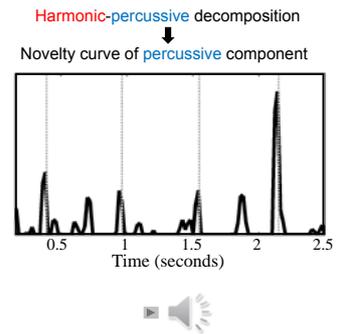
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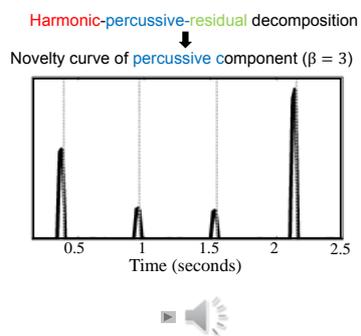
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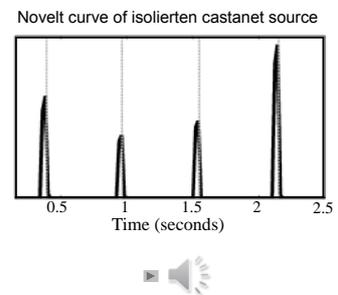
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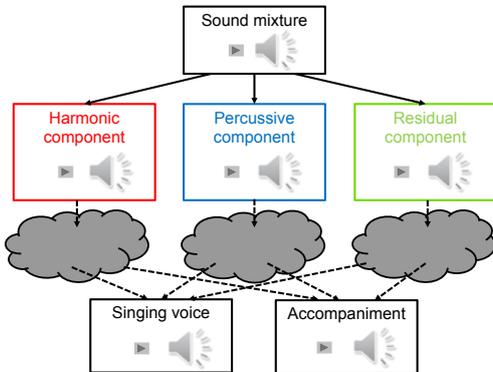
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Application: Singing Voice Separation



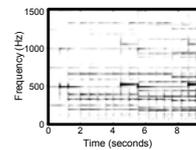
[Driedger & Müller ICASSP 2015]

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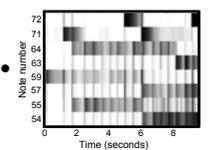
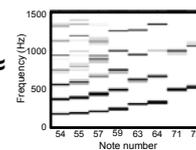
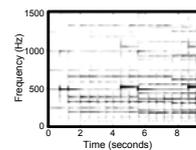
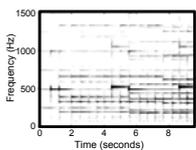
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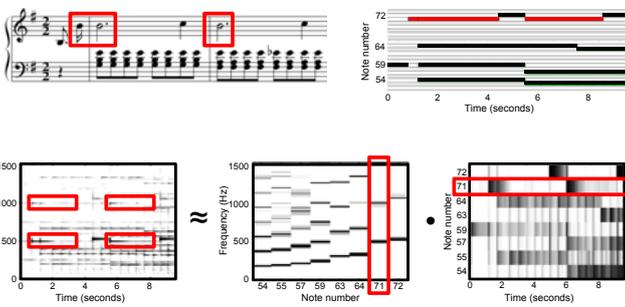


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NMF-Decomposition

Idea:

- Factorization of spectrogram

Advantages:

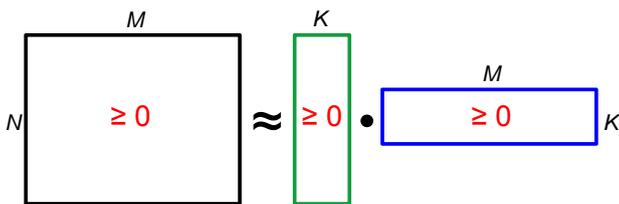
- Flexible and easy to implement
- Efficient

Problems:

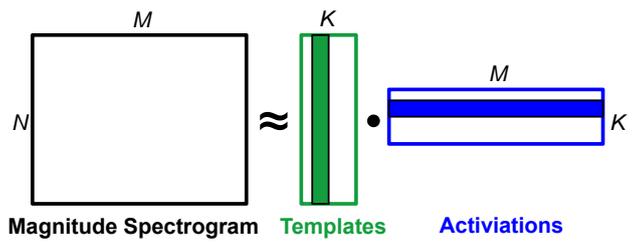
- Decomposition difficult to control
- Often no semantic meaning

Strategy: Multiplicative update rules allow for introducing hard constraints to control the decomposition

NMF (Nonnegative Matrix Factorization)



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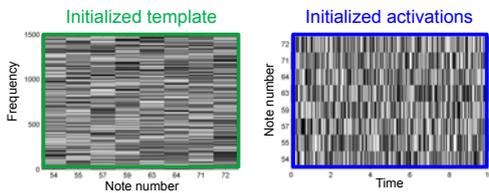
Templates: Pitch + Timbre

“How does it sound”

Activations: Onset time + Duration

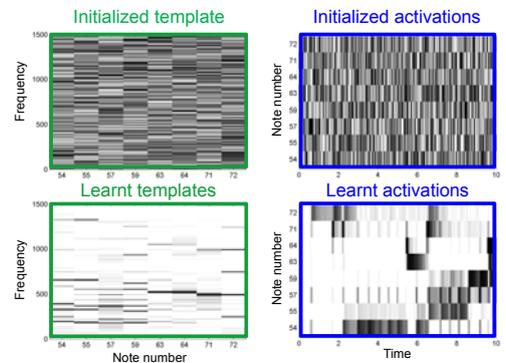
“When does it sound”

NMF-Decomposition



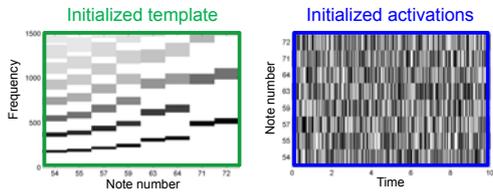
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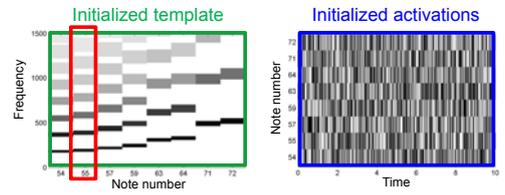
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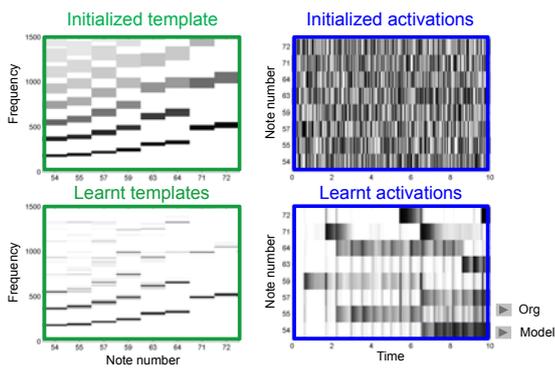
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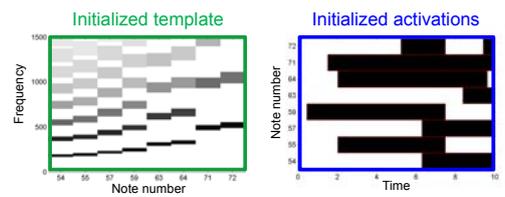
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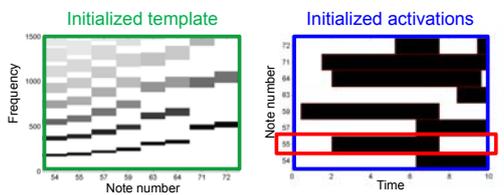
Template constraints → Semantic decomposition

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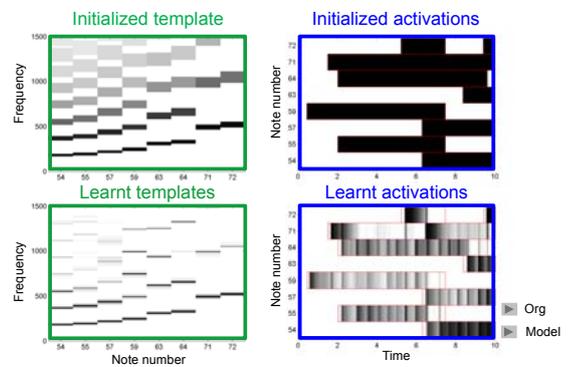
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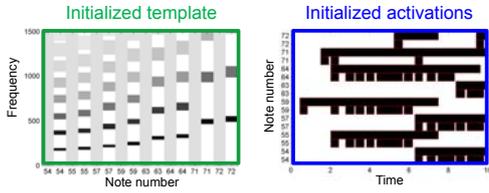
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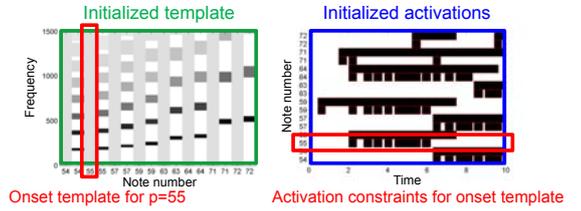
Activation constraints → NMF as refinement

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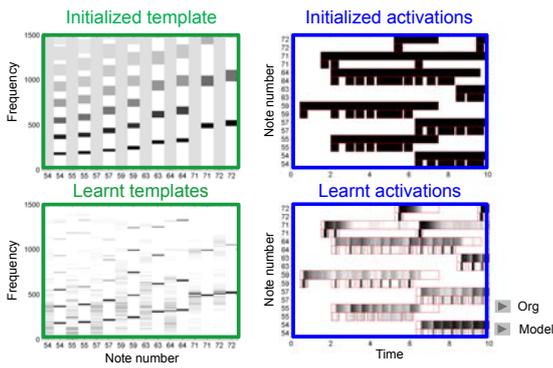
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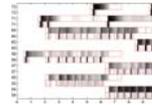


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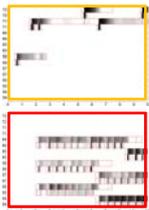
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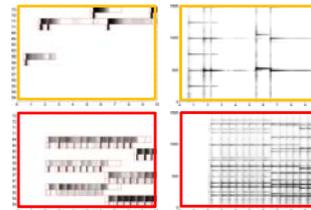
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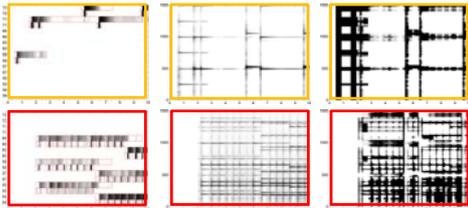
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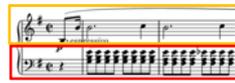
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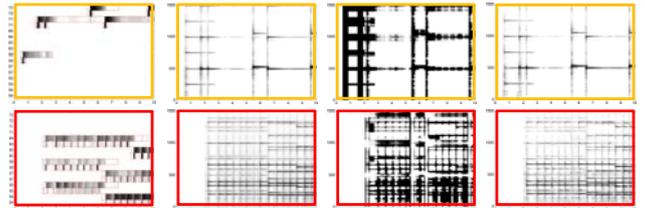
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Application: Separating left and right hands for piano

Chopin, Waltz Op. 64, No. 1



Original



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Left/right hand



Right hand



Left hand



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Works reasonable

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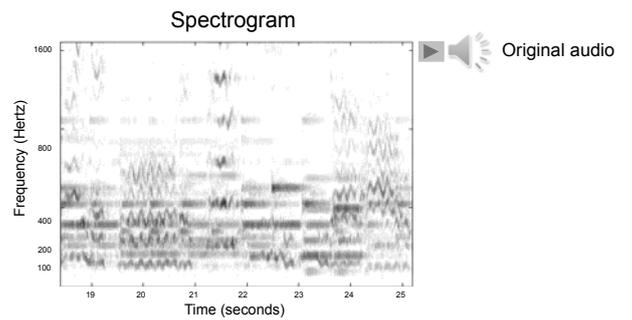
- F0 estimation
- Melody tracking
- Human voice
- Vibrato

Melody Tracking

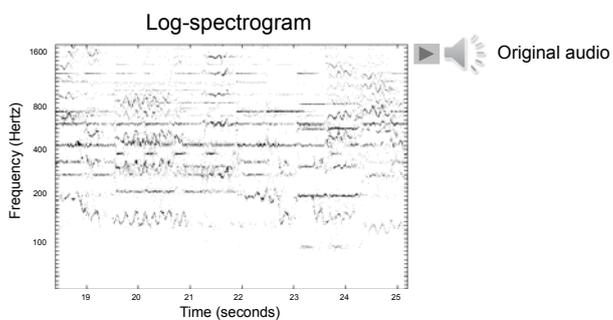
Justin Salamon and Emilia Gómez:
Melody extraction from polyphonic music signals using
pitch contour characteristics.
IEEE-TASLP 2012

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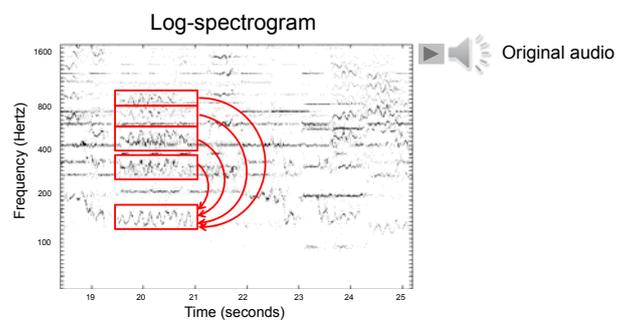
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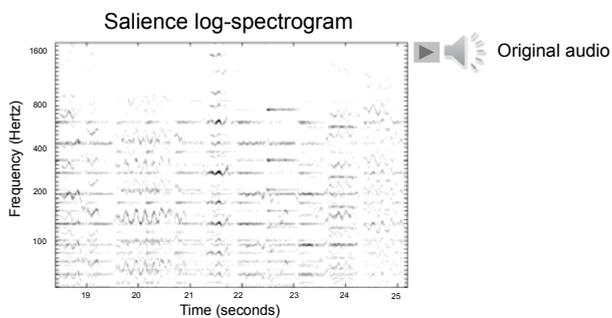
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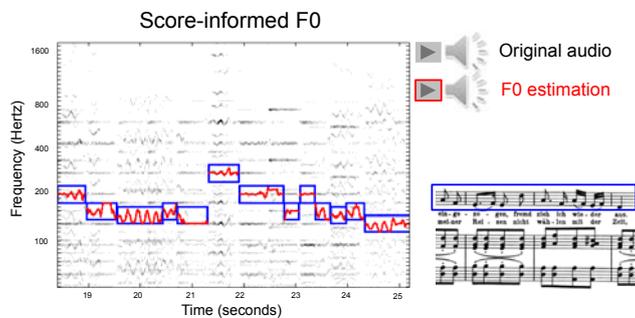
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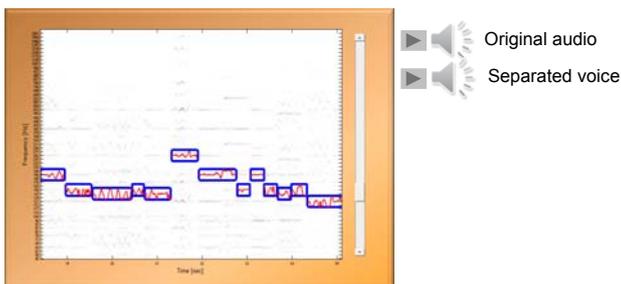


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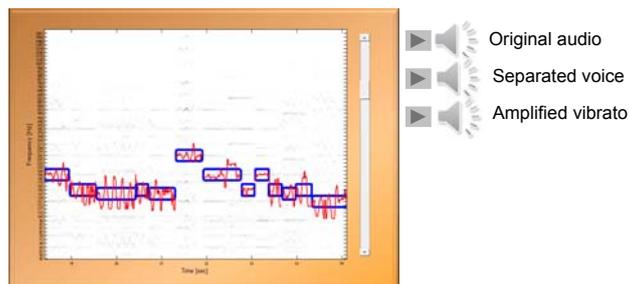
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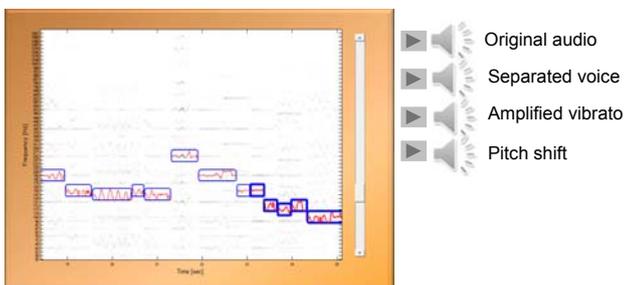
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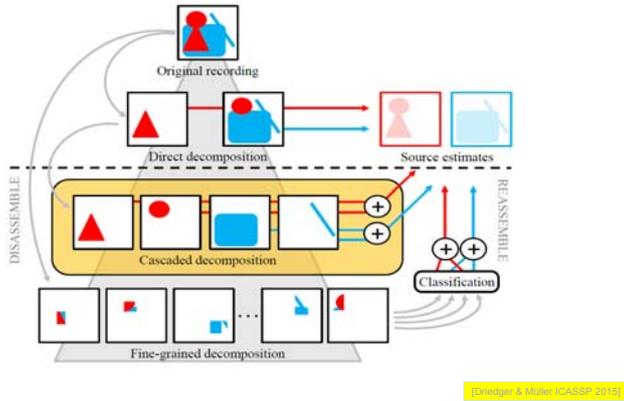
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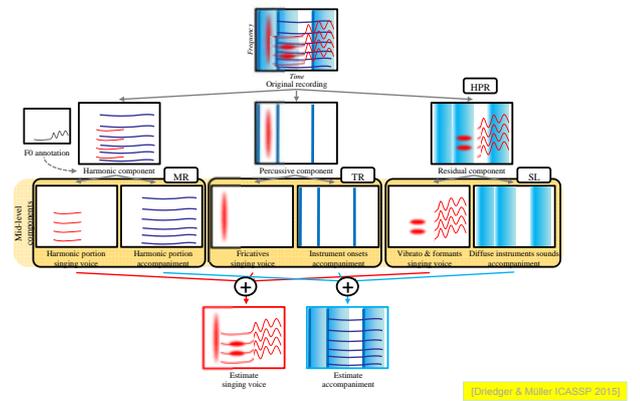
Conclusions

- Musically informed audio decomposition
 - Harmonic-percussive-residual separation
 - NMF-based audio decomposition
 - Main melody separation
- Separation of instrumental sources hard
- Extracting of human voices even harder
- Evaluation?
- Applications?

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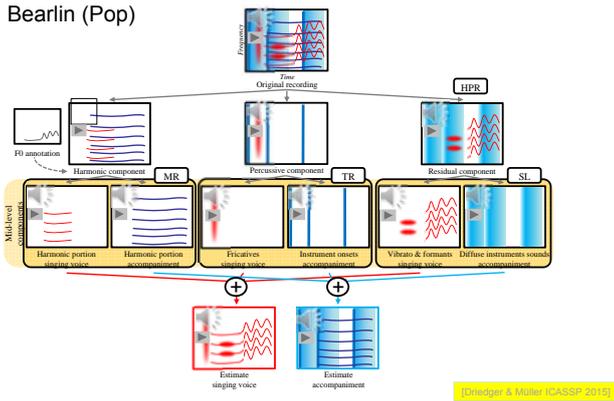


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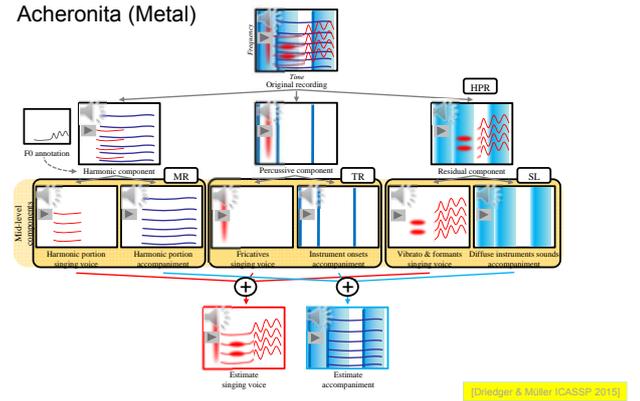
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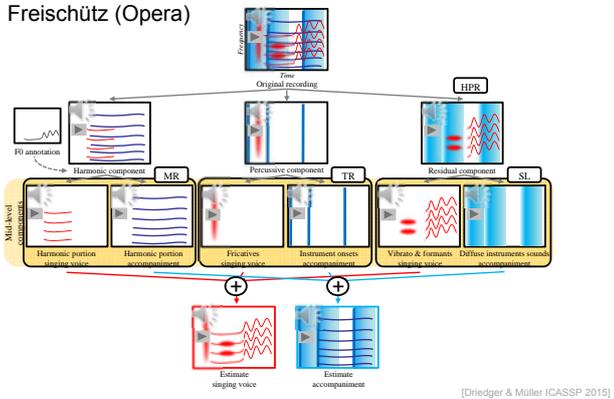
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