Learning-By-Doing: Using the FMP Python Notebooks for Audio and Music Processing

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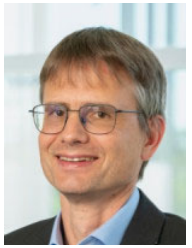

- Mathematics (Diplom/Master, 1997)
  Computer Science (PhD, 2001)
  Information Retrieval (Habilitation, 2007)
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- Professor Semantic Audio Processing (since 2012)
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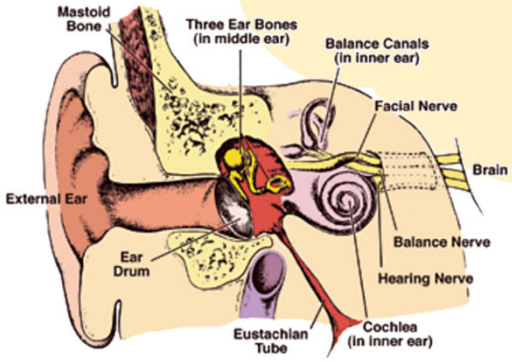

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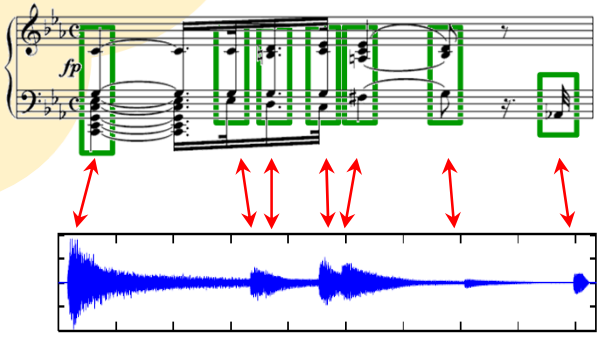

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Internet of Things

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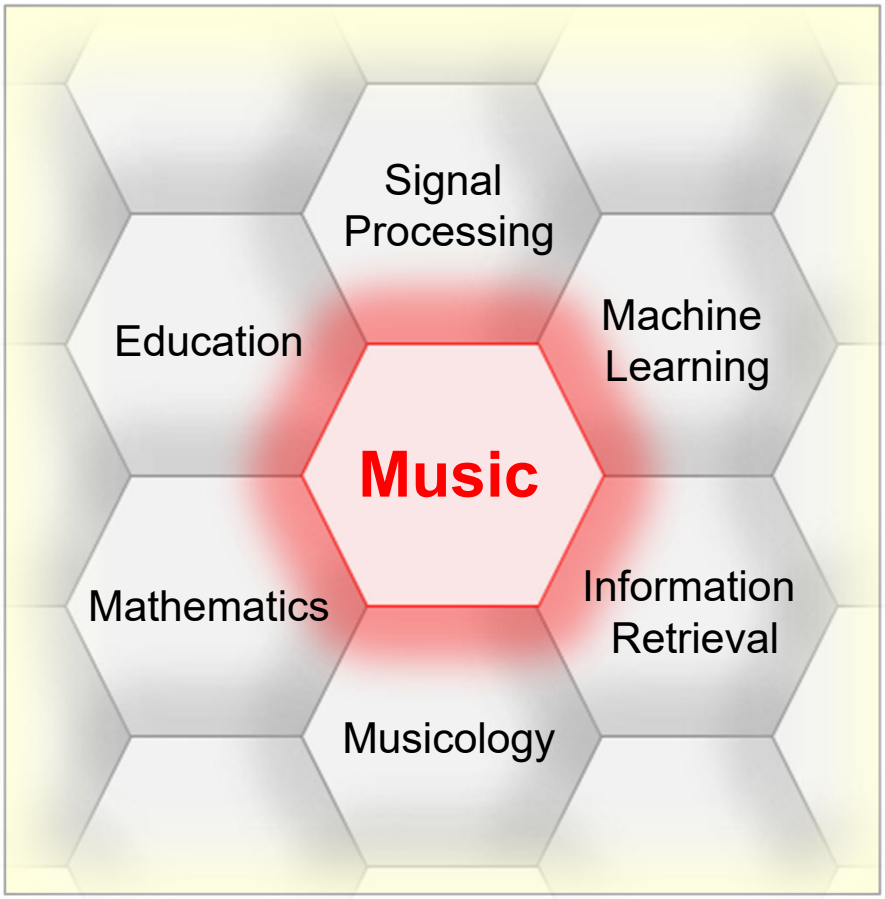
Music Processing: A Multifaceted Research Area



- Music is a ubiquitous and vital part of our lives
- Digital music services: Spotify, Pandora, iTunes, …
- Music yields intuitive entry point to support and motivate education in technical disciplines
- Music bridges the gap between engineering, computer science, mathematics, and the humanities

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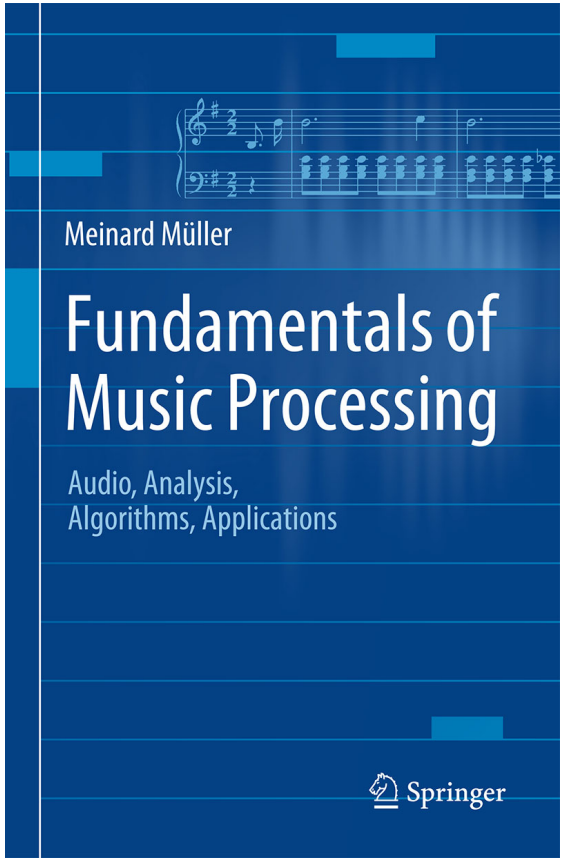

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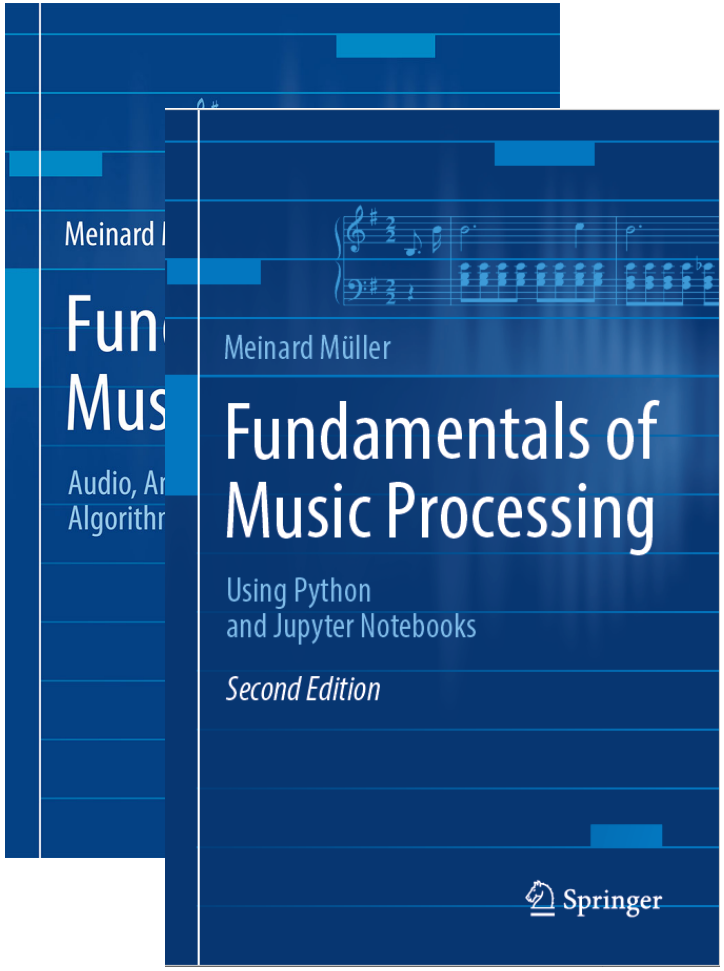

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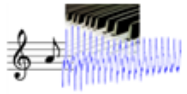
1		Music Represenations
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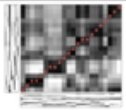
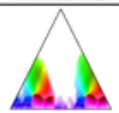
3		Music Synchronization
4		Music Structure Analysis
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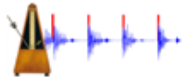
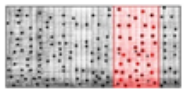
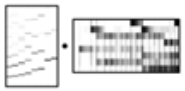
6		Tempo and Beat Tracking
7		Content-Based Audio Retrieval
8		Musically Informed Audio Decomposition

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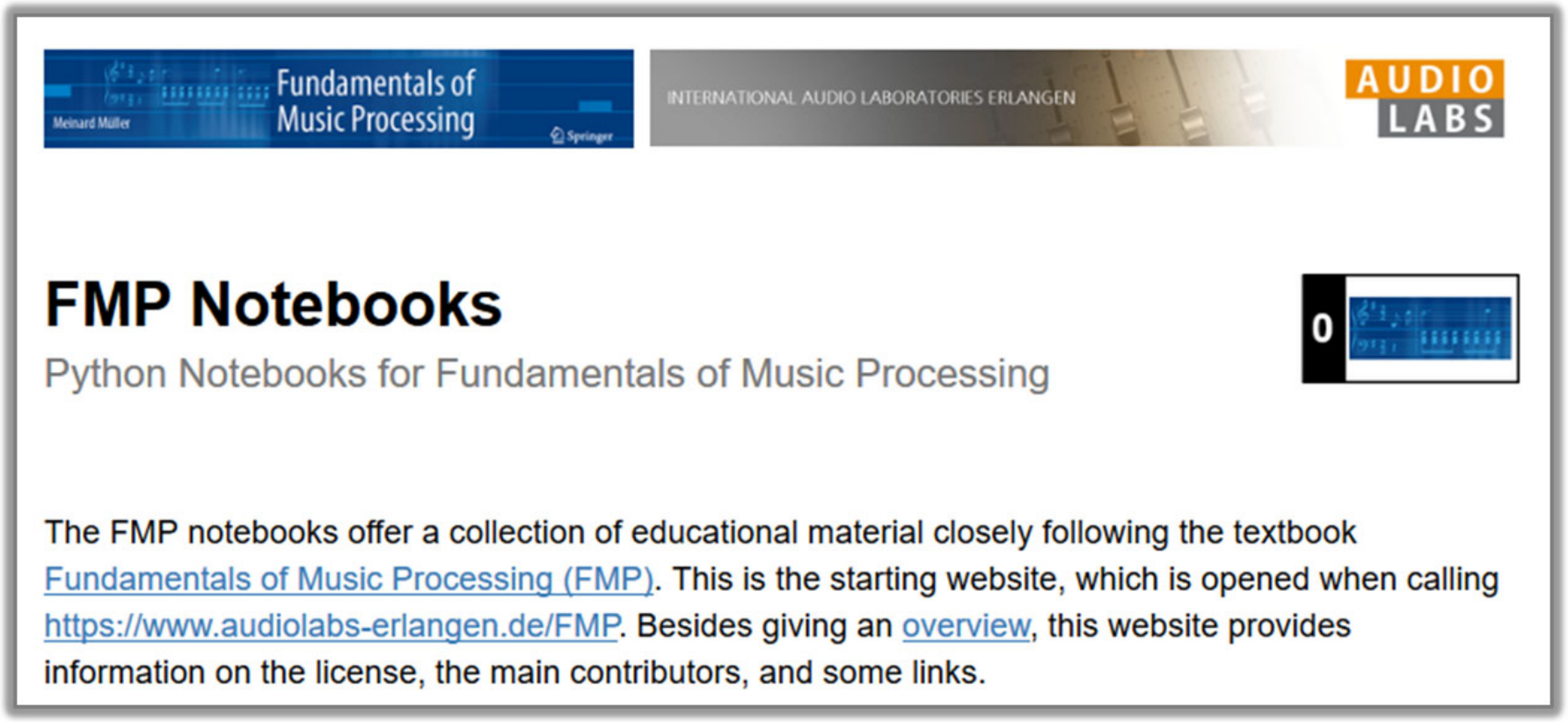

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- … provide educational material for teaching and learning fundamentals of music processing.
- … combine textbook-like explanations, technical concepts, mathematical details, Python code examples, illustrations, and sound examples.
- … bridge the gap between theory and practice being based on interactive Jupyter notebook framework.
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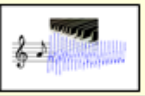
1 	Music Representations	Music notation, MIDI, audio signal, waveform, pitch, loudness, timbre	[html]	[ipynb]
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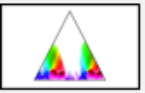
4 	Music Structure Analysis	Similarity matrix, repetition, thumbnail, homogeneity, novelty, evaluation, precision, recall, F-measure, visualization, scape plot	[html]	[ipynb]
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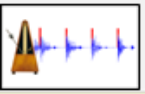
6 	Tempo and Beat Tracking	Onset, novelty, tempo, tempogram, beat, periodicity, Fourier analysis, autocorrelation	[html]	[ipynb]
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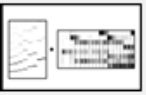
8 	Musically Informed Audio Decomposition	Harmonic/percussive separation, signal reconstruction, instantaneous frequency, fundamental frequency (F0), trajectory, nonnegative matrix factorization (NMF)	[html]	[ipynb]

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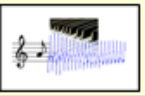
1 	Music Representations	Music notation, MIDI, audio signal, waveform, pitch, loudness, timbre	[html]	[ipynb]
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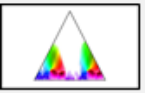
4 	Music Structure Analysis	Similarity matrix, repetition, thumbnail, homogeneity, novelty, evaluation, precision, recall, F-measure, visualization, scape plot	[html]	[ipynb]
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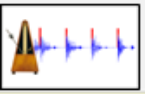
6 	Tempo and Beat Tracking	Onset, novelty, tempo, tempogram, beat, periodicity, Fourier analysis, autocorrelation	[html]	[ipynb]
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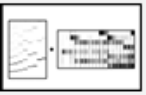
8 	Musically Informed Audio Decomposition	Harmonic/percussive separation, signal reconstruction, instantaneous frequency, fundamental frequency (F0), trajectory, nonnegative matrix factorization (NMF)	[html]	[ipynb]

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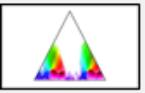
4 	Music Structure Analysis	Similarity matrix, repetition, thumbnail, homogeneity, novelty, evaluation, precision, recall, F-measure, visualization, scape plot	[html]	[ipynb]
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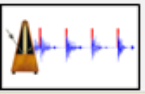
6 	Tempo and Beat Tracking	Onset, novelty, tempo, tempogram, beat, periodicity, Fourier analysis, autocorrelation	[html]	[ipynb]
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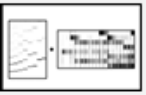
8 	Musically Informed Audio Decomposition	Harmonic/percussive separation, signal reconstruction, instantaneous frequency, fundamental frequency (F0), trajectory, nonnegative matrix factorization (NMF)	[html]	[ipynb]

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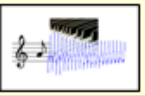
1 	Music Representations	Music notation, MIDI, audio signal, waveform, pitch, loudness, timbre	[html]	[ipynb]
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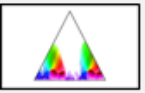
4 	Music Structure Analysis	Similarity matrix, repetition, thumbnail, homogeneity, novelty, evaluation, precision, recall, F-measure, visualization, scape plot	[html]	[ipynb]
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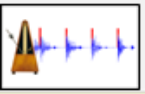
6 	Tempo and Beat Tracking	Onset, novelty, tempo, tempogram, beat, periodicity, Fourier analysis, autocorrelation	[html]	[ipynb]
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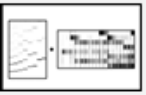
8 	Musically Informed Audio Decomposition	Harmonic/percussive separation, signal reconstruction, instantaneous frequency, fundamental frequency (F0), trajectory, nonnegative matrix factorization (NMF)	[html]	[ipynb]

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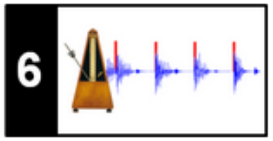
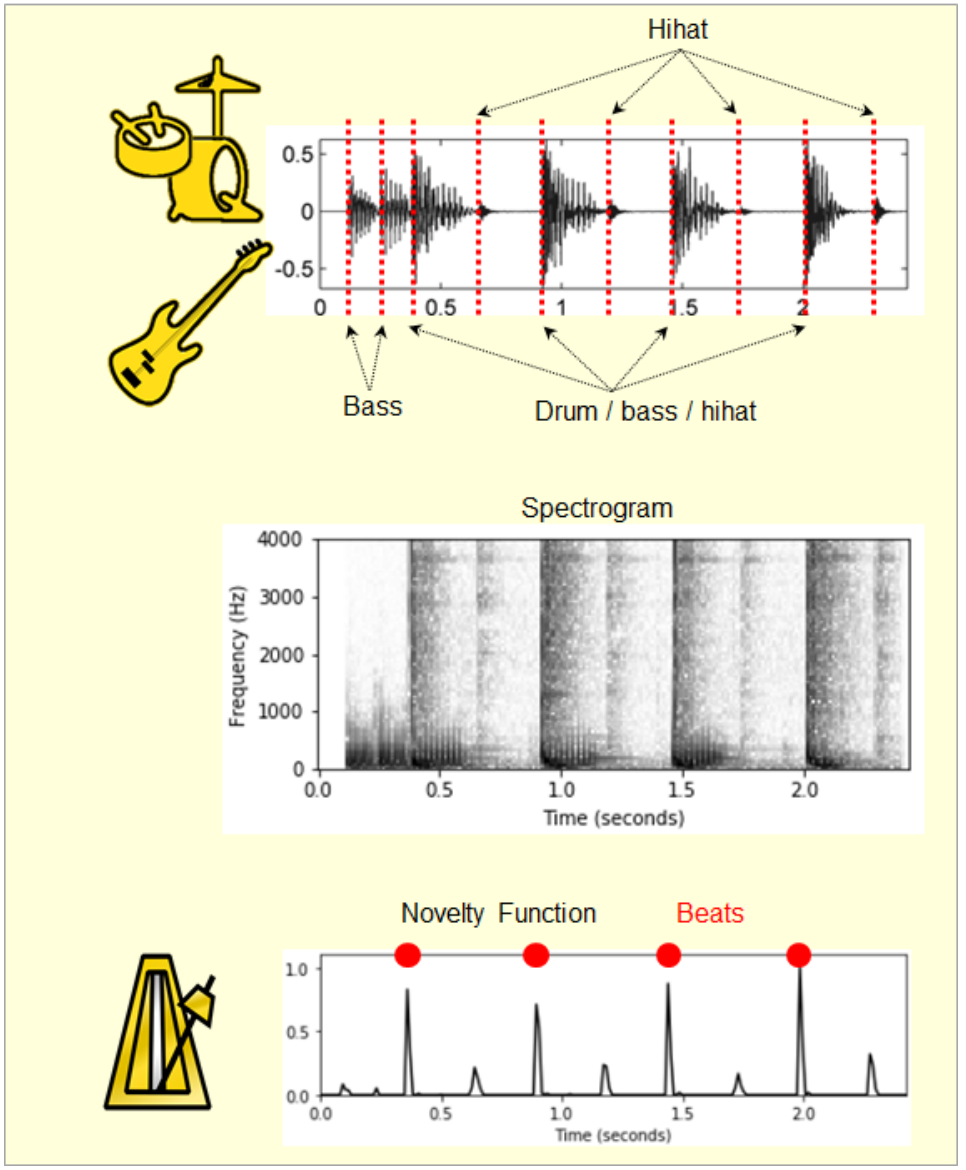
Part 6: Tempo and Beat Tracking



- When listening to a piece of music, we as humans are often able to tap along with the musical beat

- Automated beat tracking: Simulate this cognitive process by a computer



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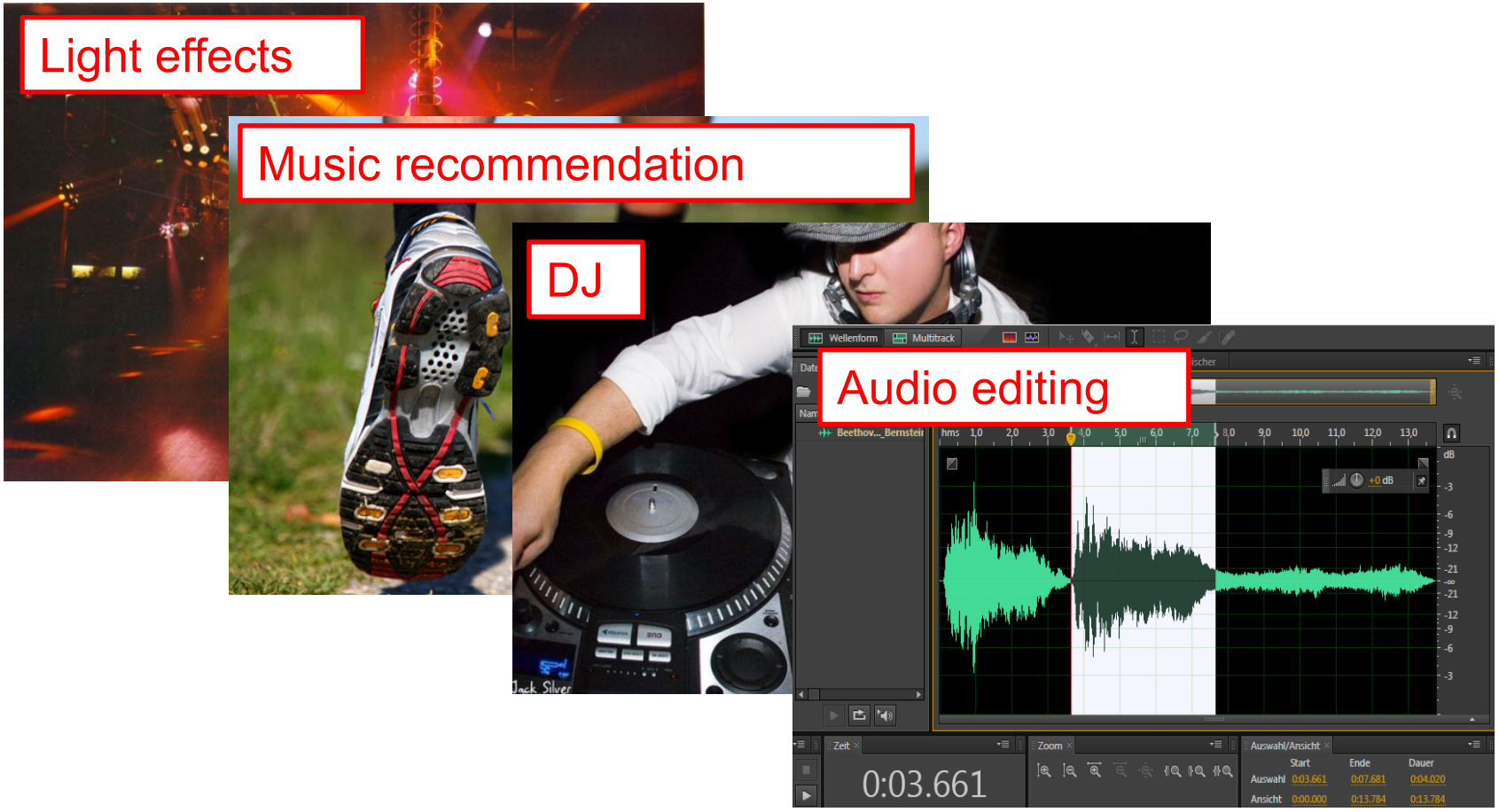
Tempo and Beat Tracking

Basic task: “Tapping the foot when listening to music”



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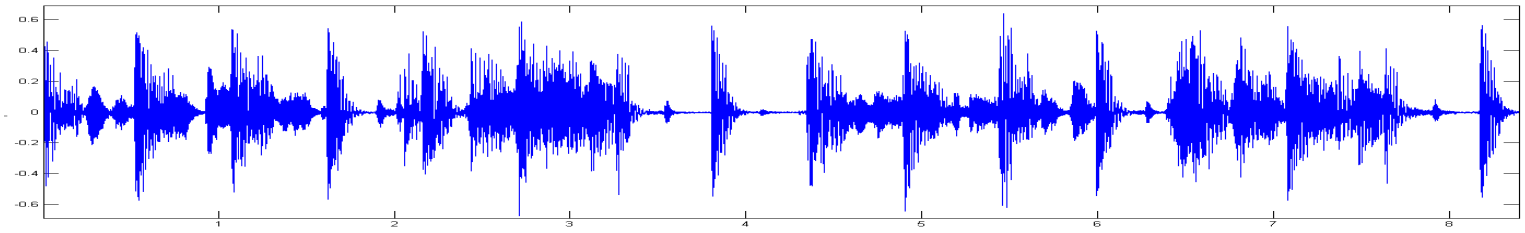

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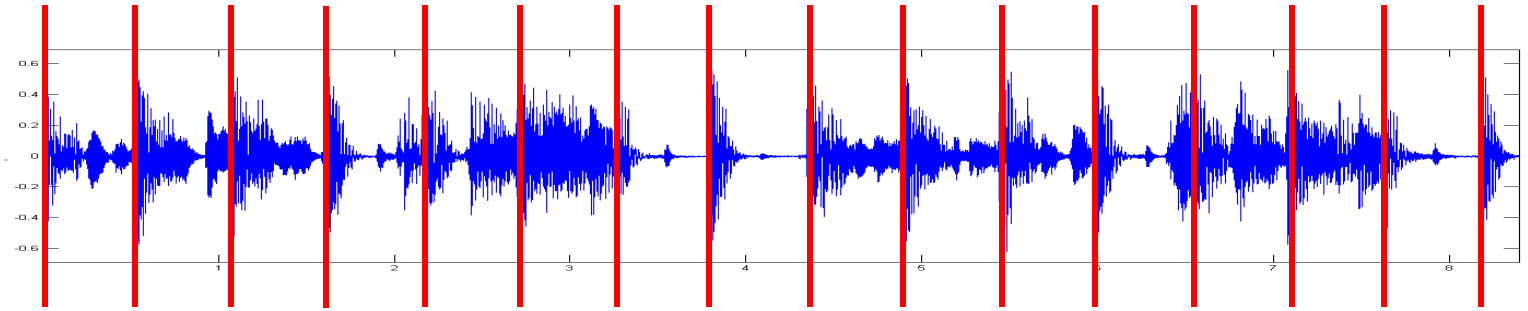

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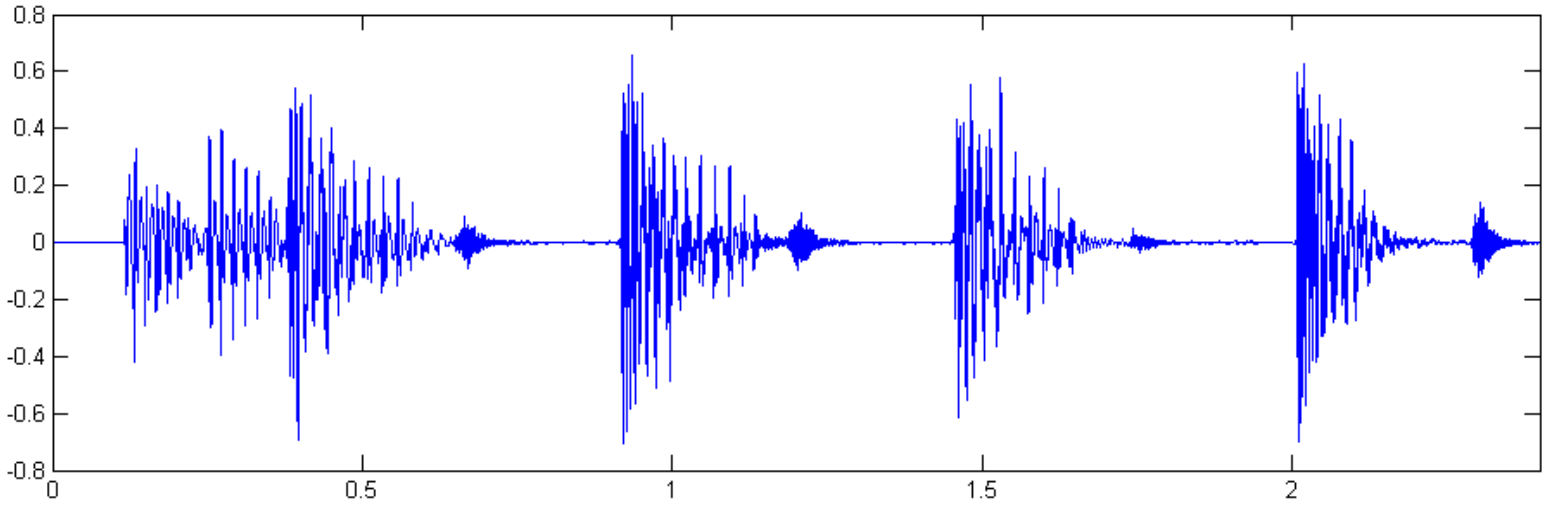
Tempo and Beat Tracking

Tasks

- Onset detection
- Beat tracking
- Tempo estimation



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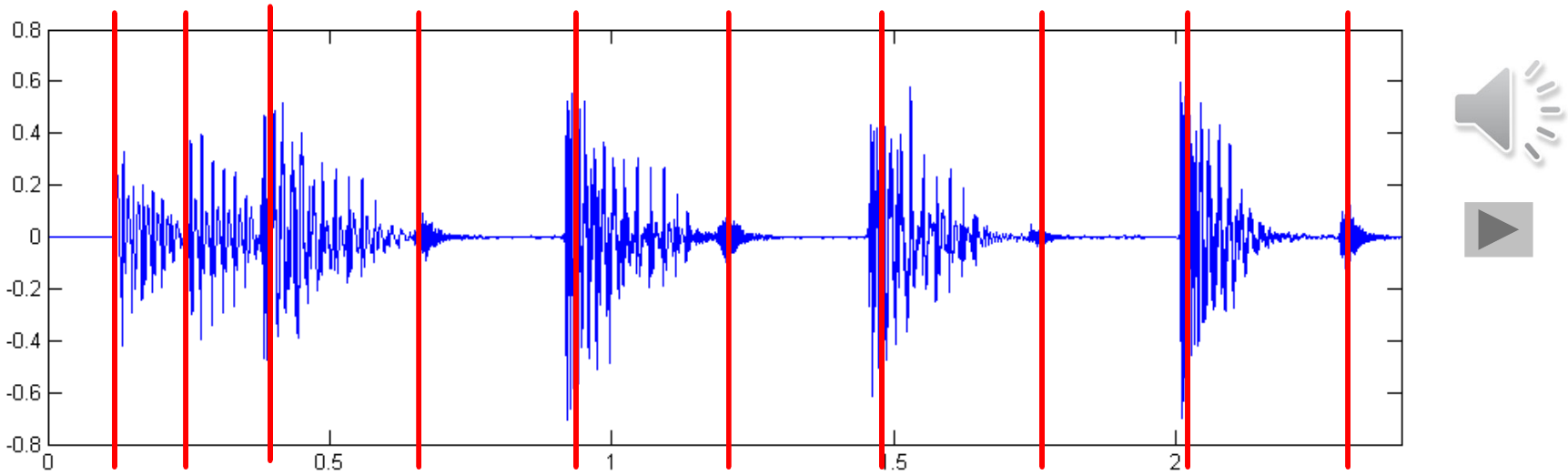

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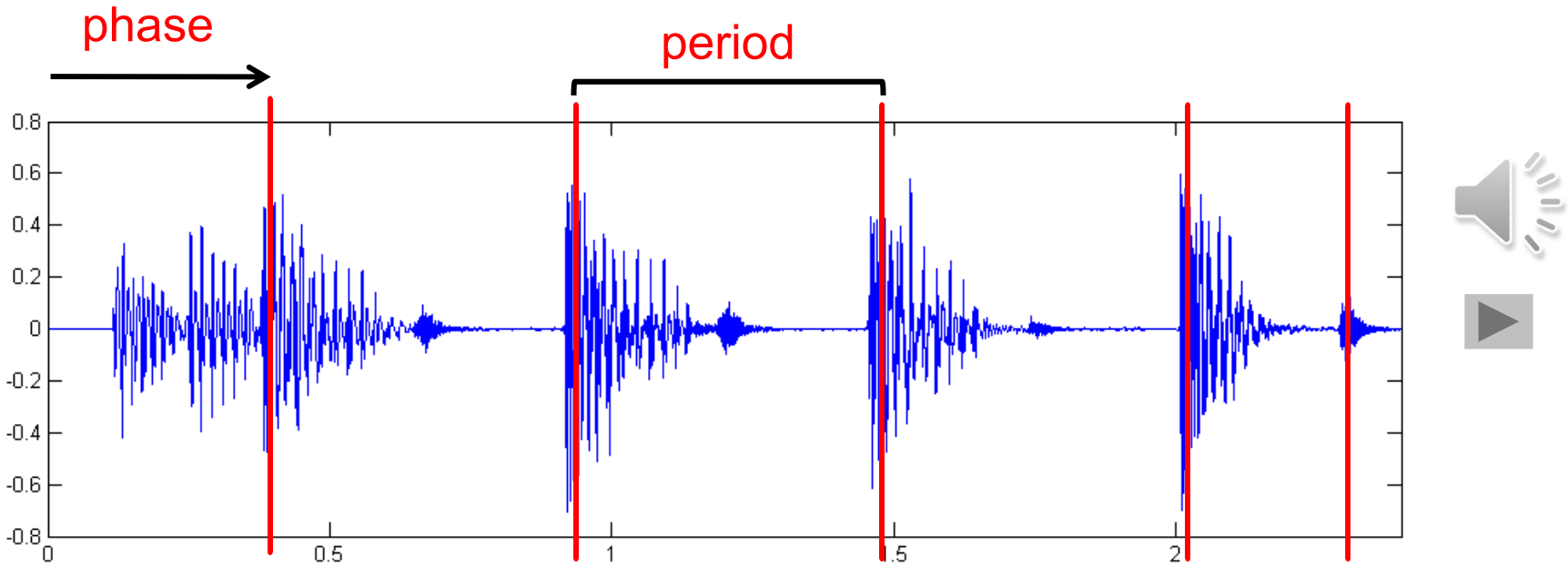

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Tempo and Beat Tracking

Tasks

- Onset detection
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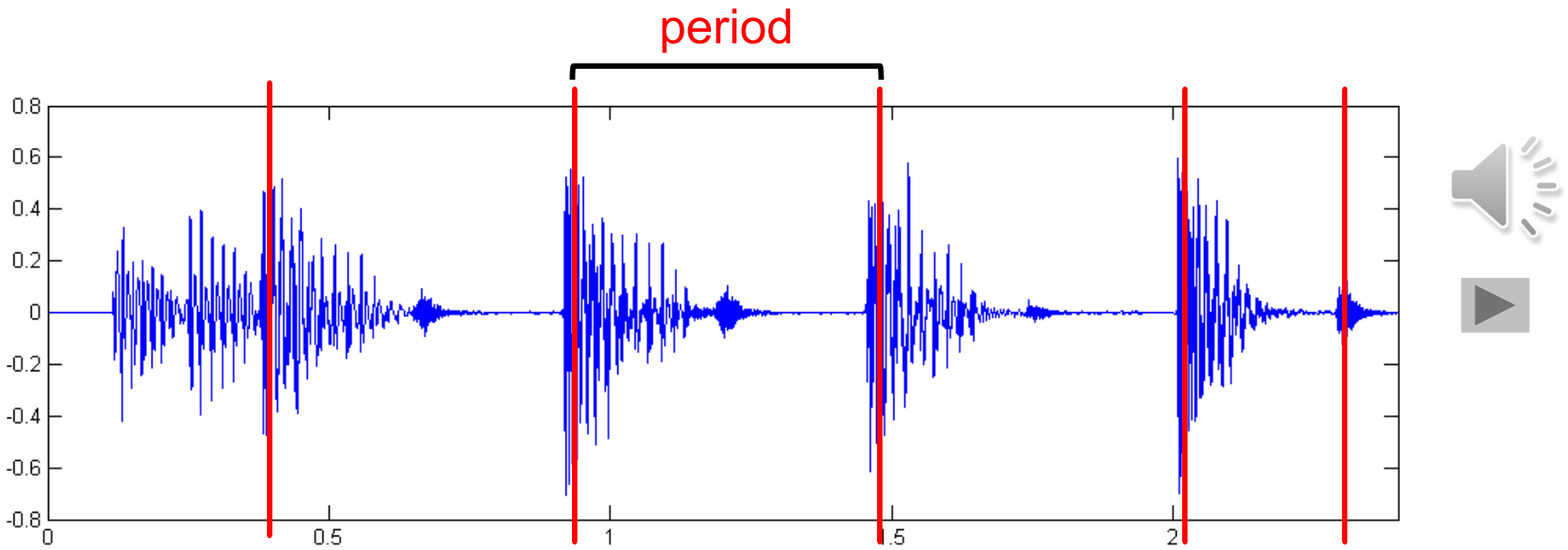
- Tempo estimation

Tempo := 60 / period

Beats per minute (BPM)



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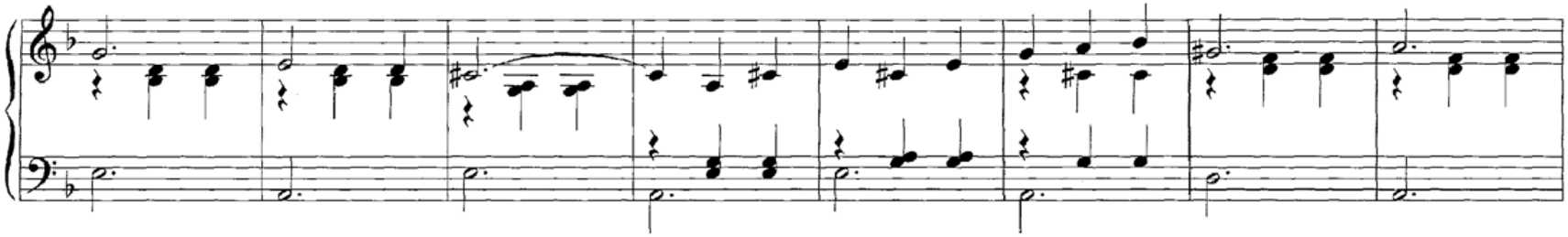
Onset Detection (Spectral Flux)



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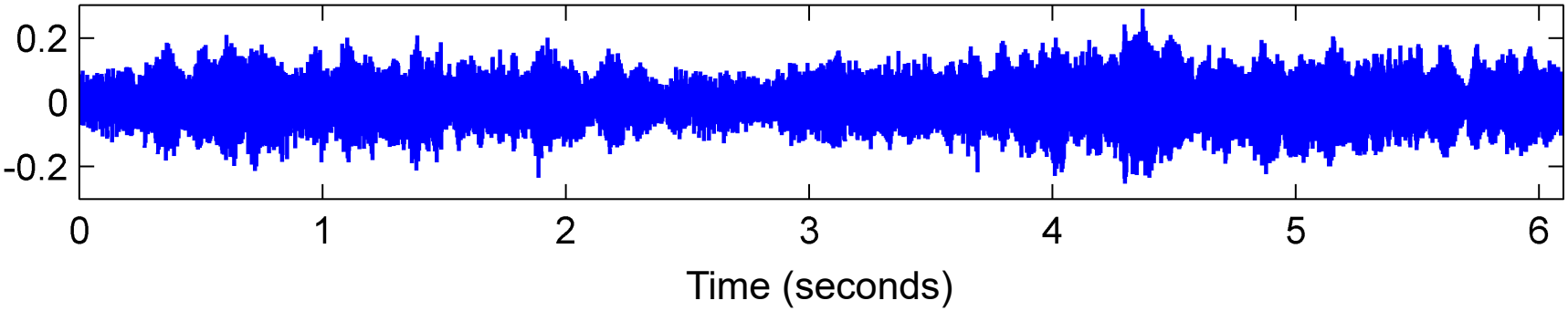

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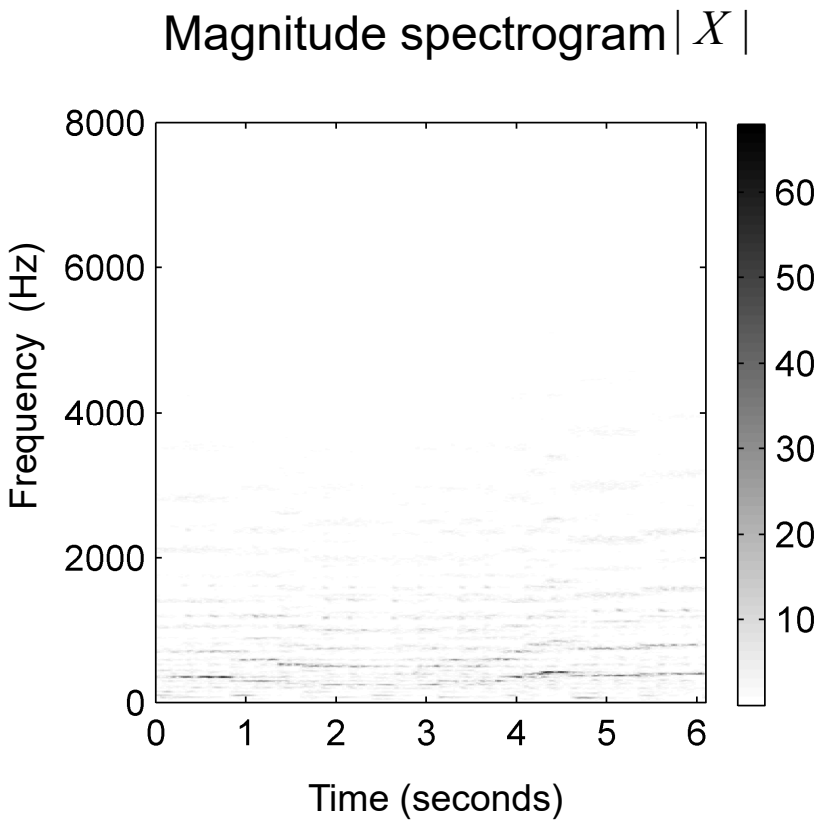

Steps:

1. Spectrogram

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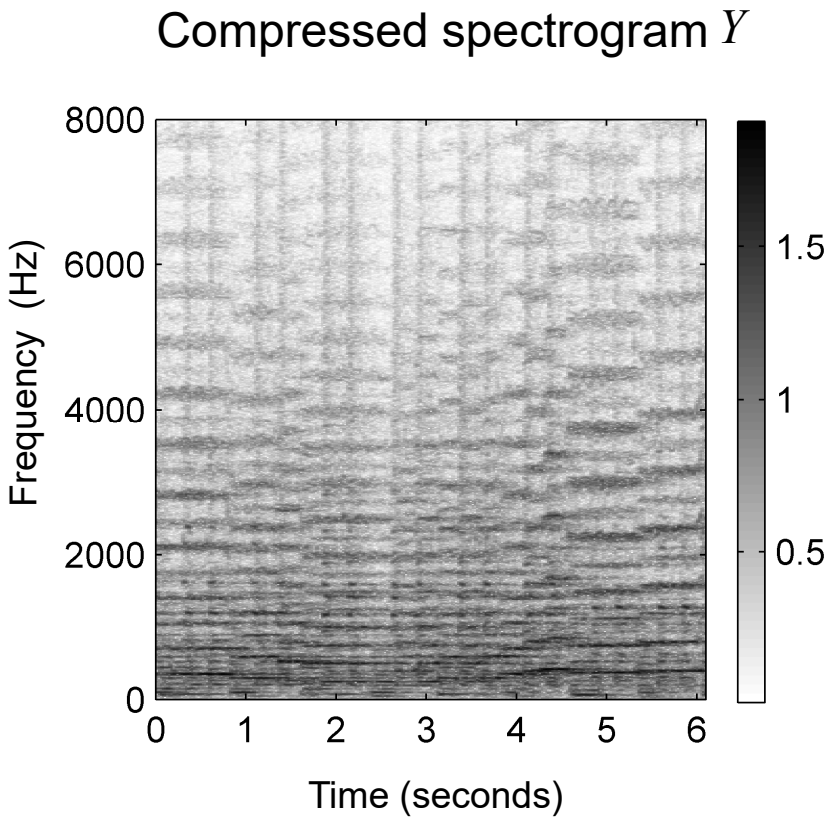

Steps:

1. Spectrogram
2. Logarithmic compression

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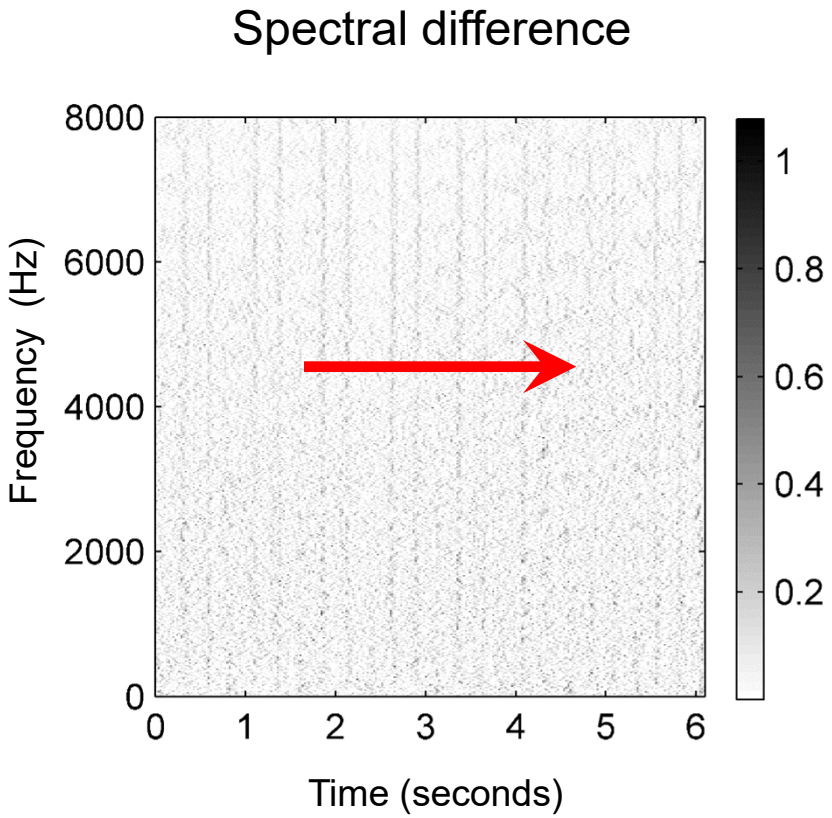

Steps:

1. Spectrogram
2. Logarithmic compression
3. Differentiation & half wave rectification

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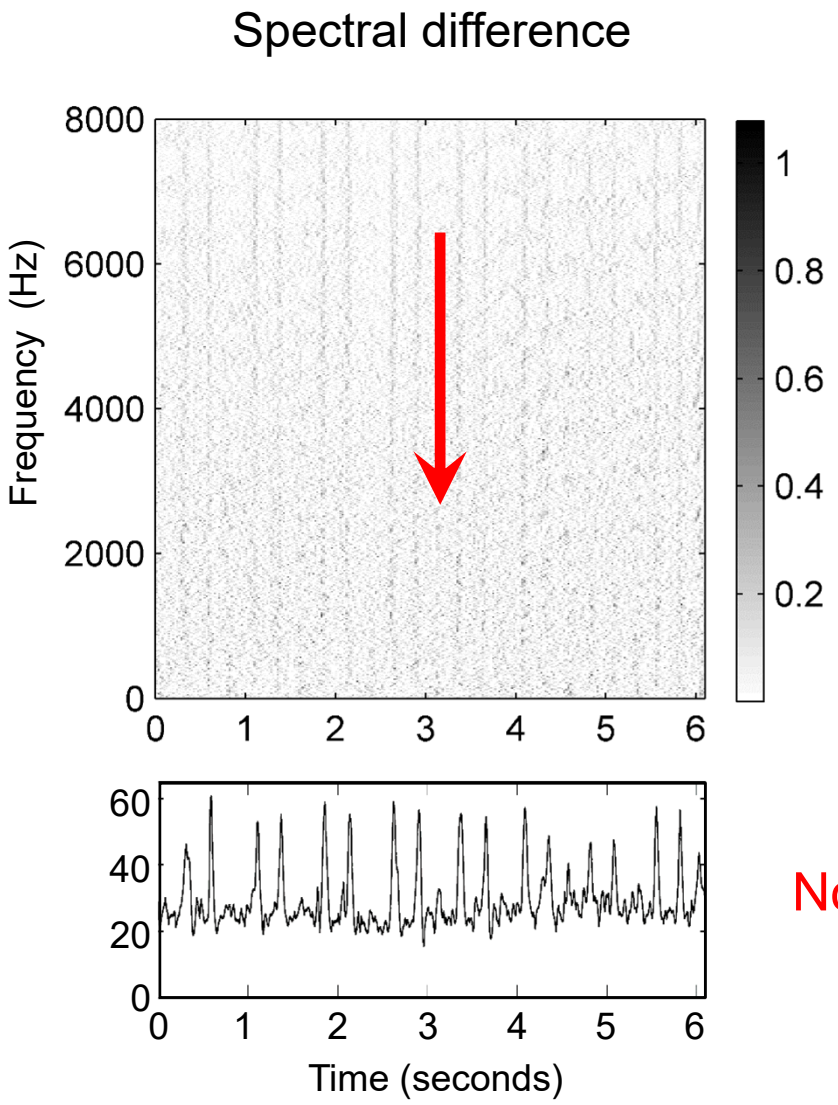

Steps:

1. Spectrogram
2. Logarithmic compression
3. Differentiation & half wave rectification
4. Accumulation

Novelty curve

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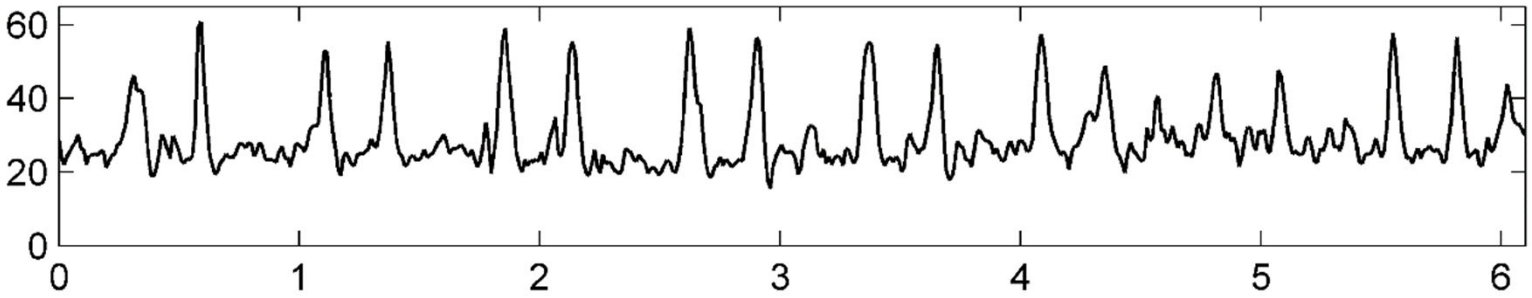

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Onset Detection (Spectral Flux)

Steps:

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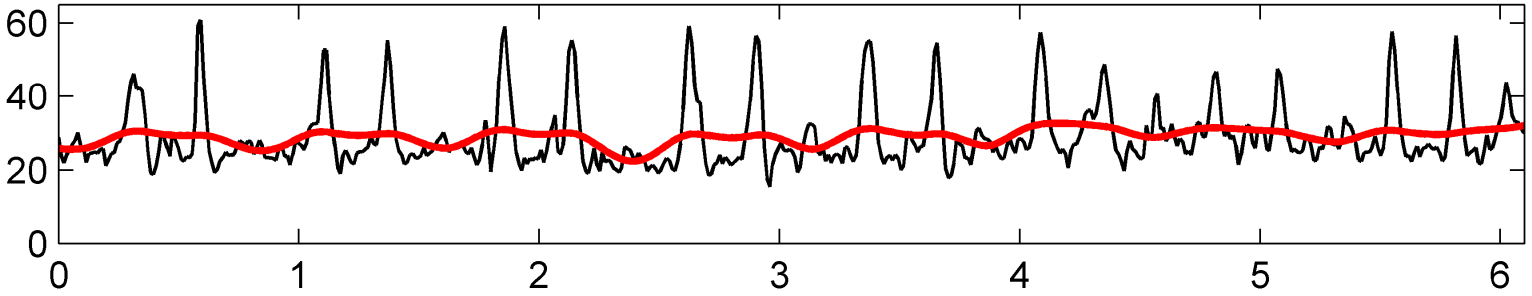
5. Normalization

Novelty function

Substraction of local average



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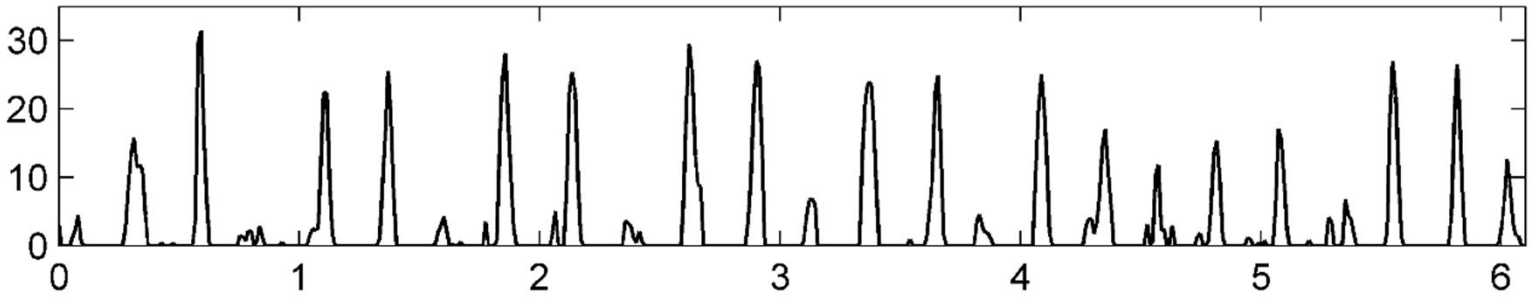
Normalized novelty function



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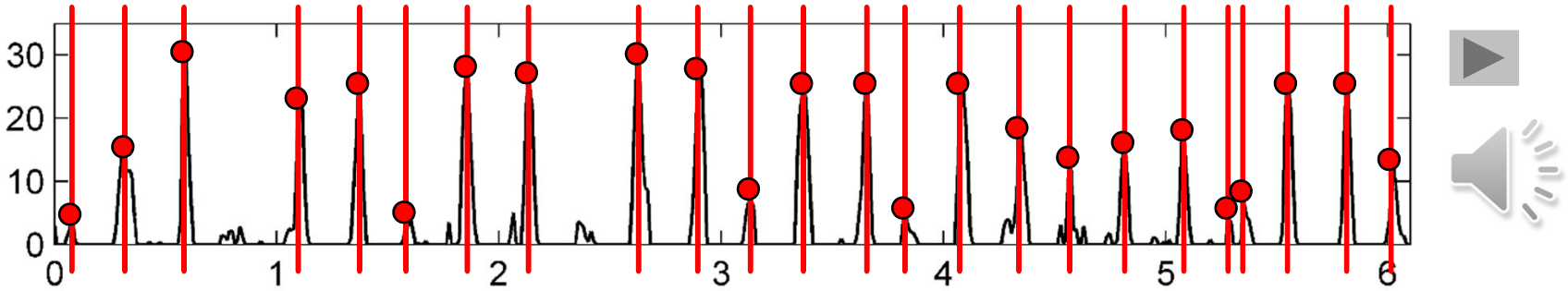

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Onset Detection (Spectral Flux)

Deep Learning

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

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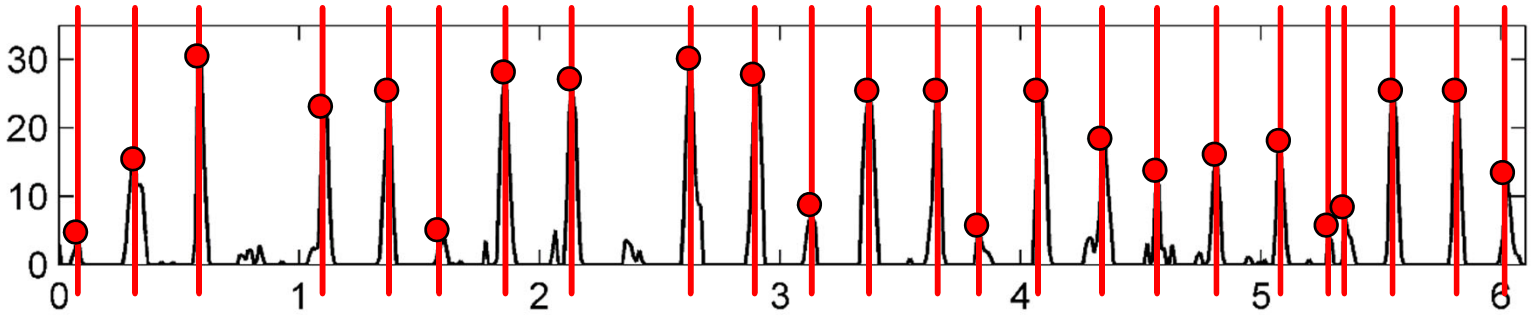

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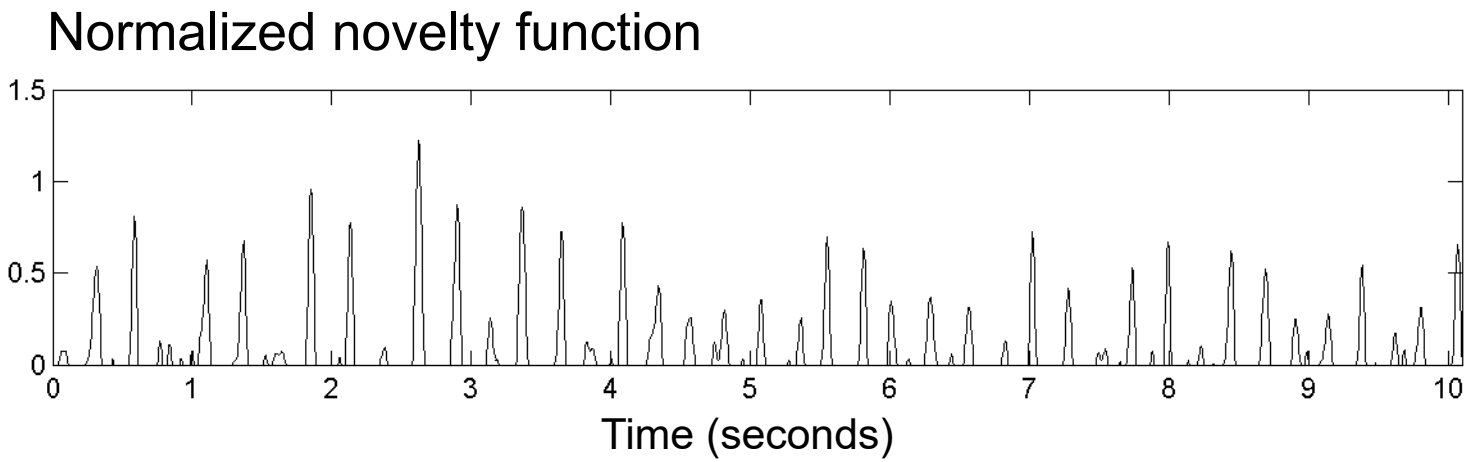
Local Pulse and Tempo Tracking



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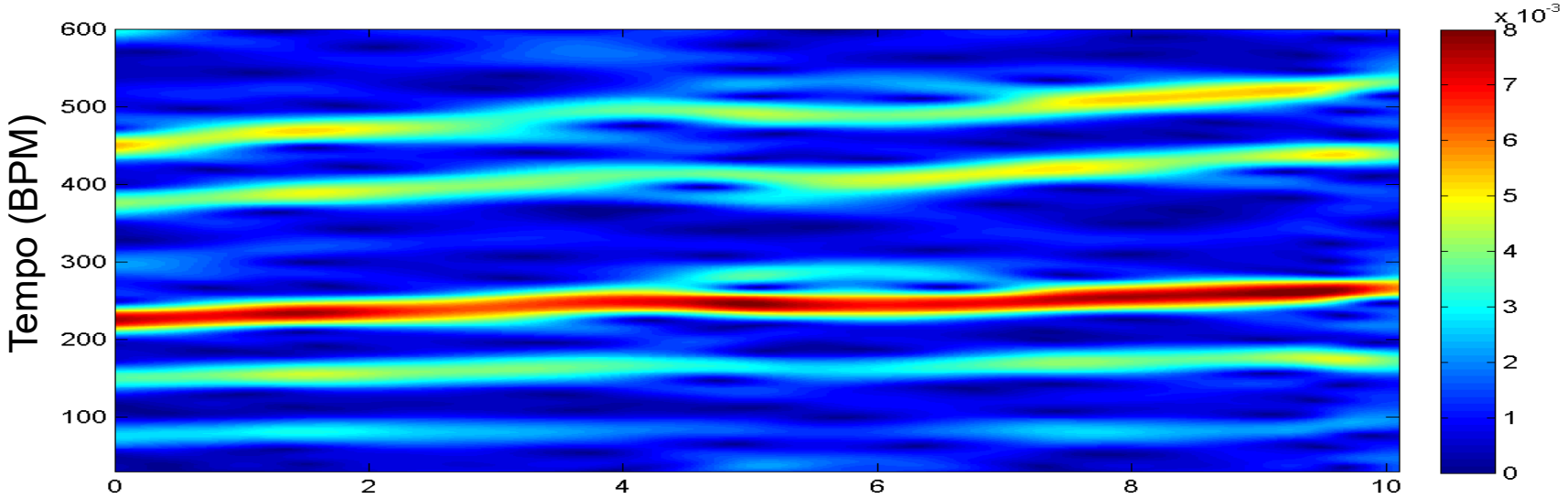
Local Pulse and Tempo Tracking

Fourier temogram (STFT of novelty function)



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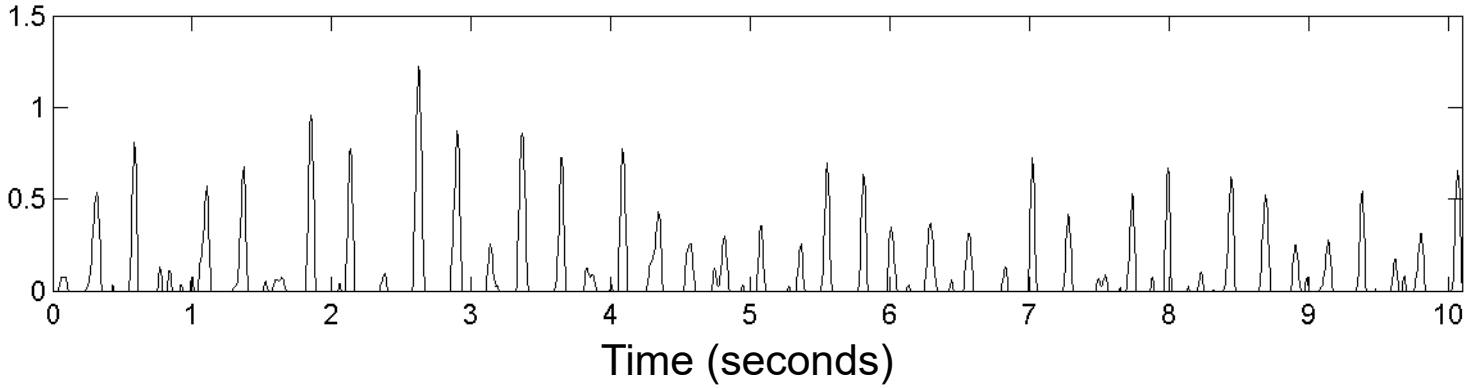

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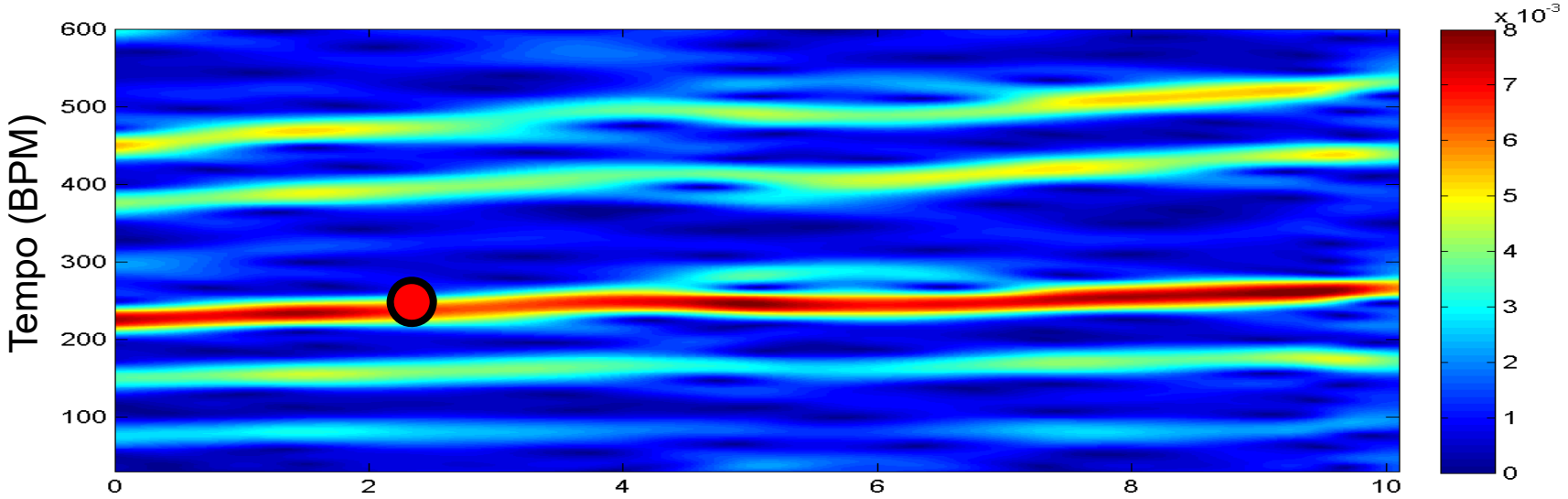

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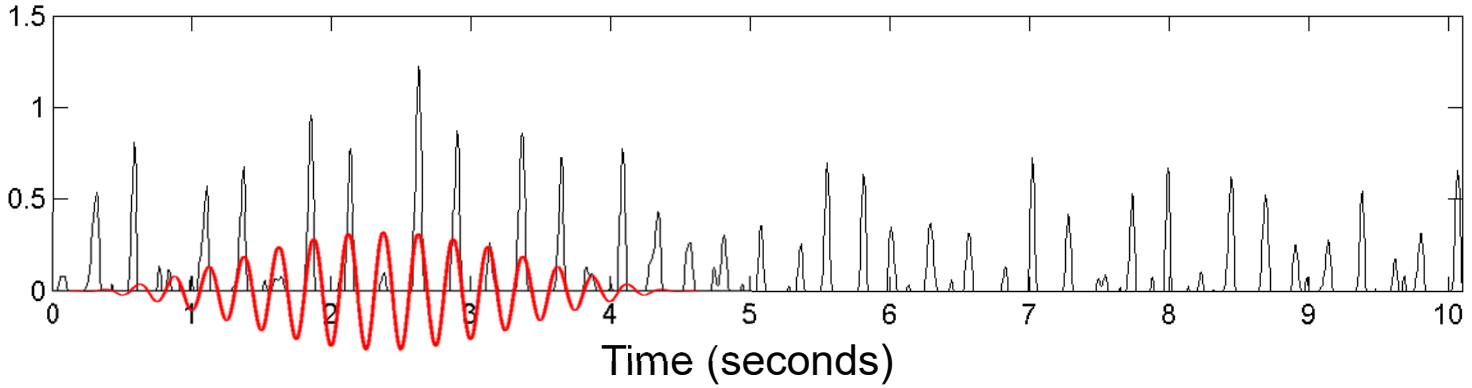

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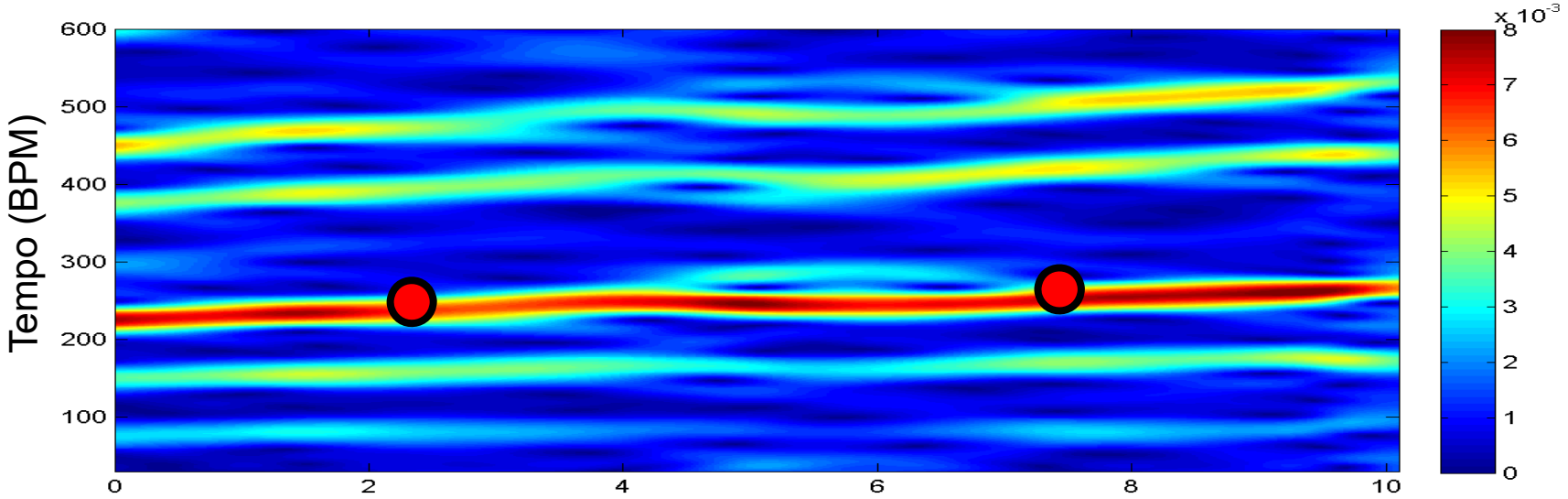

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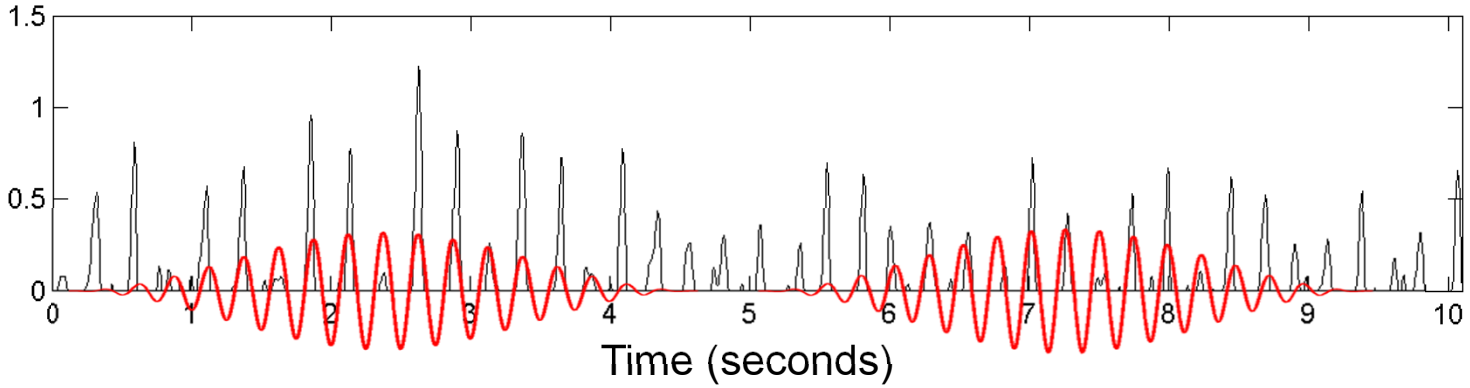

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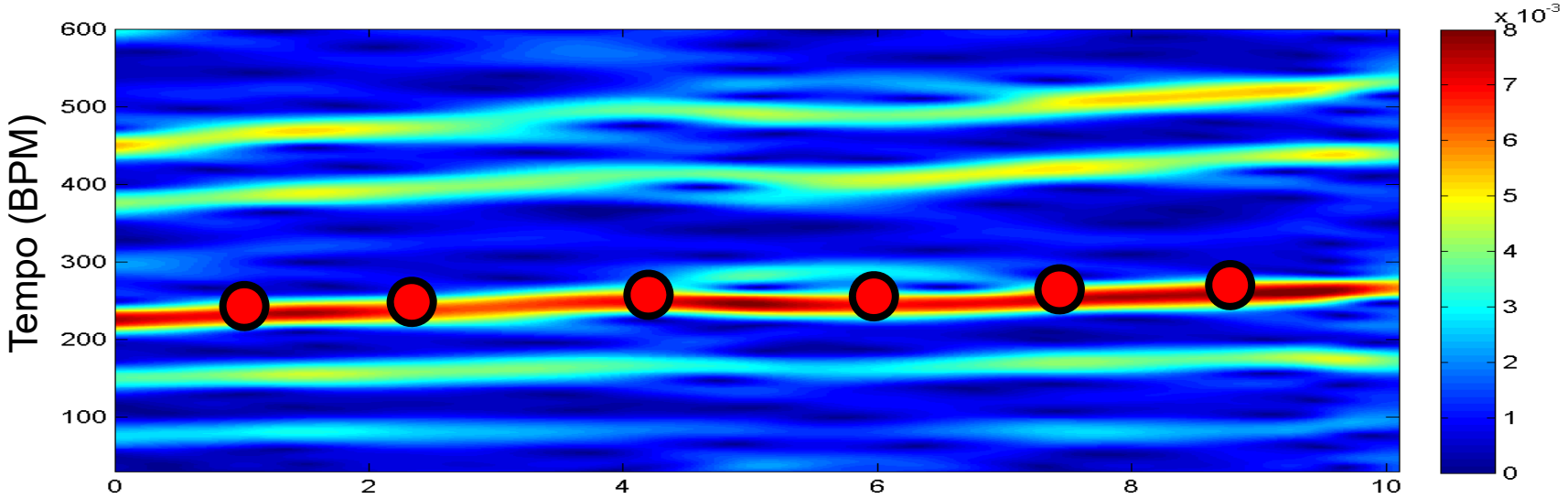

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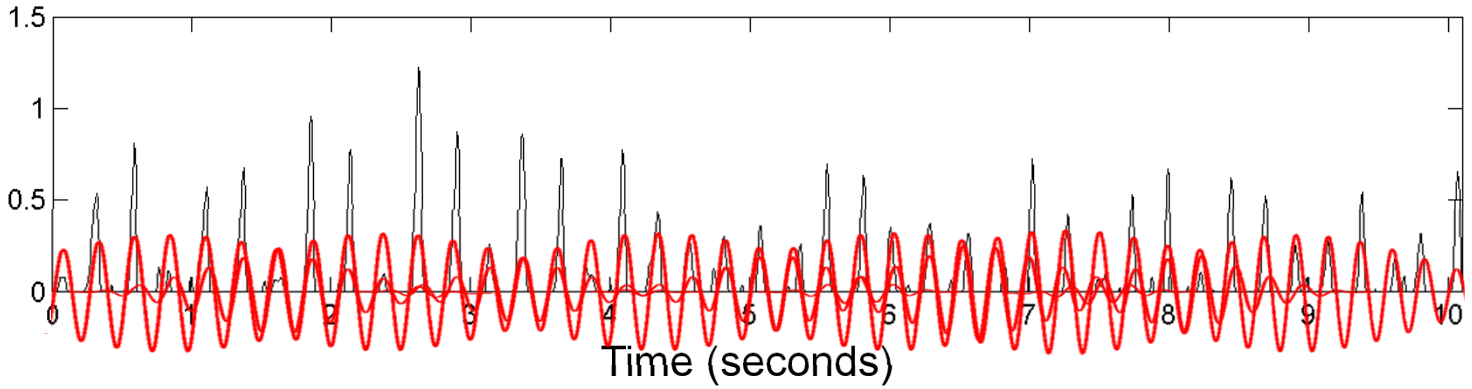

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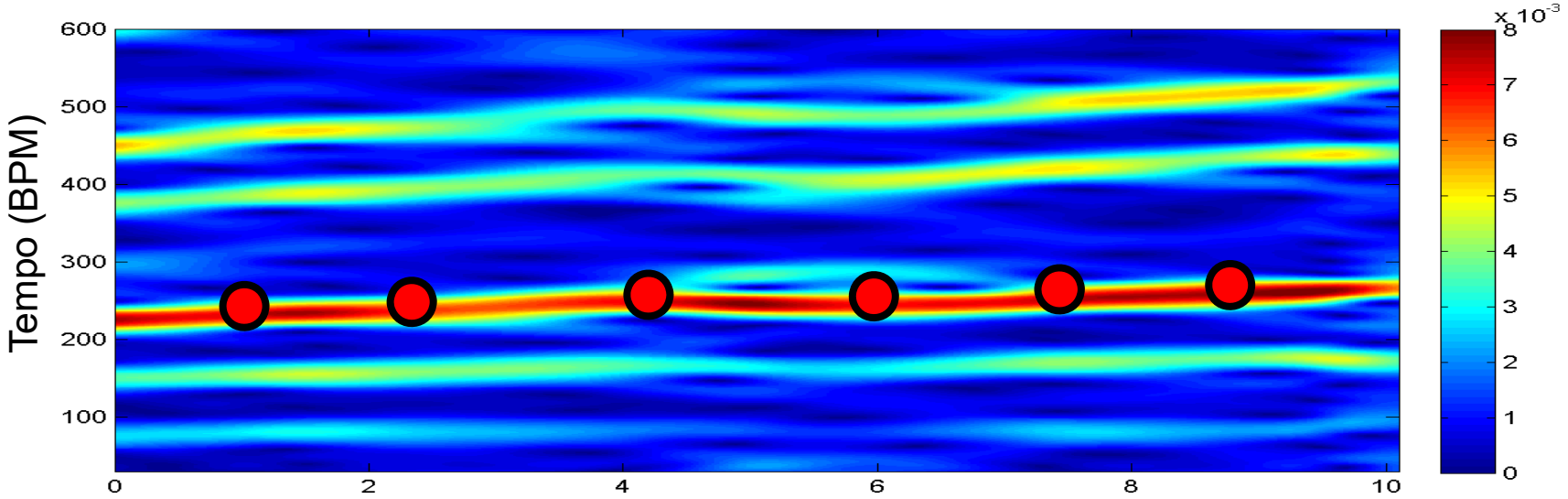

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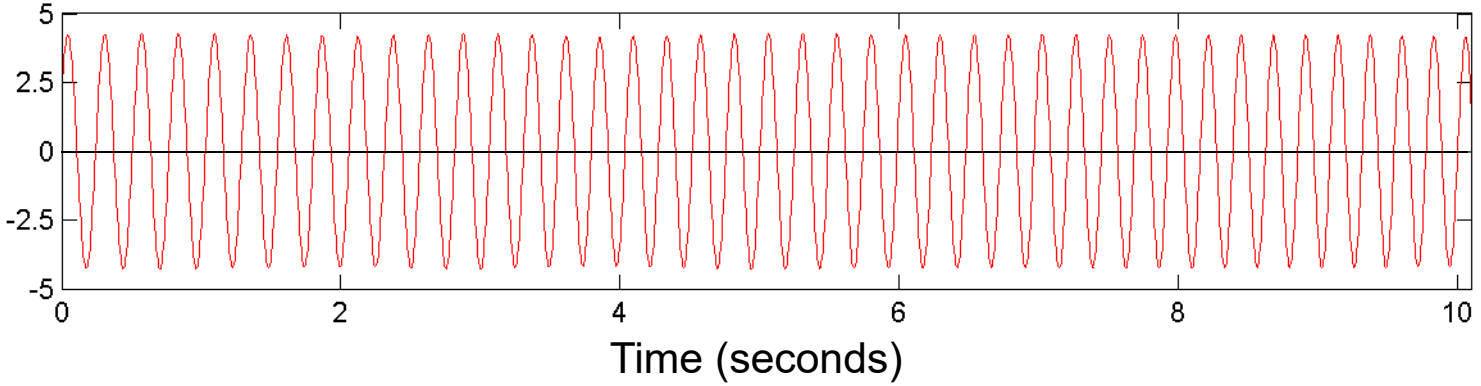

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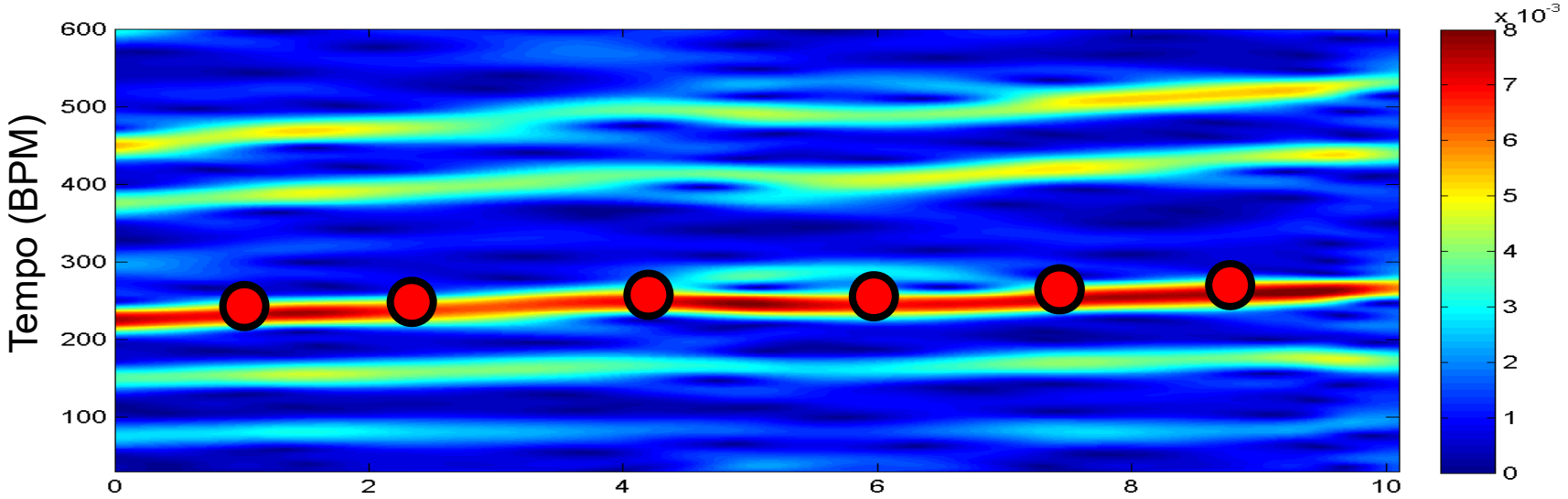

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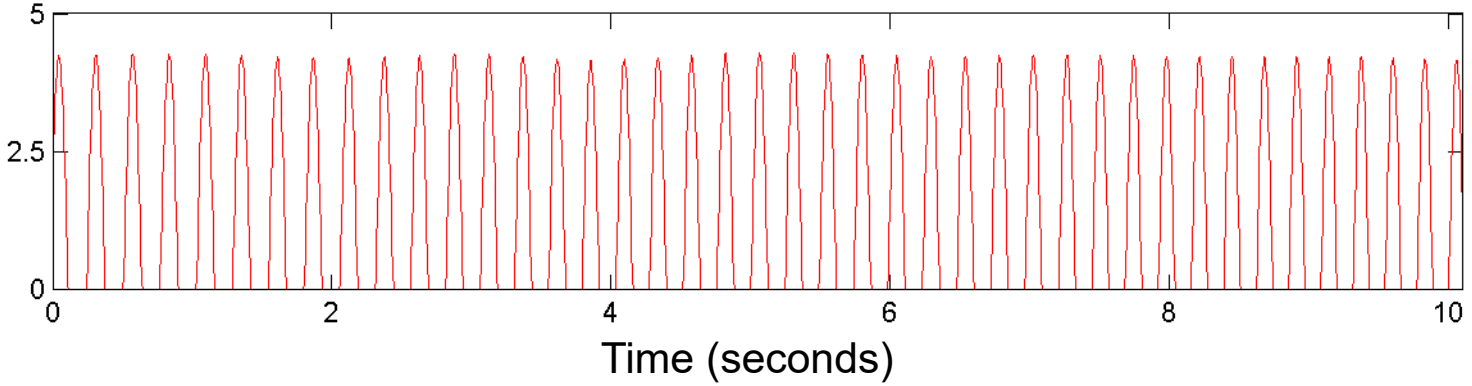

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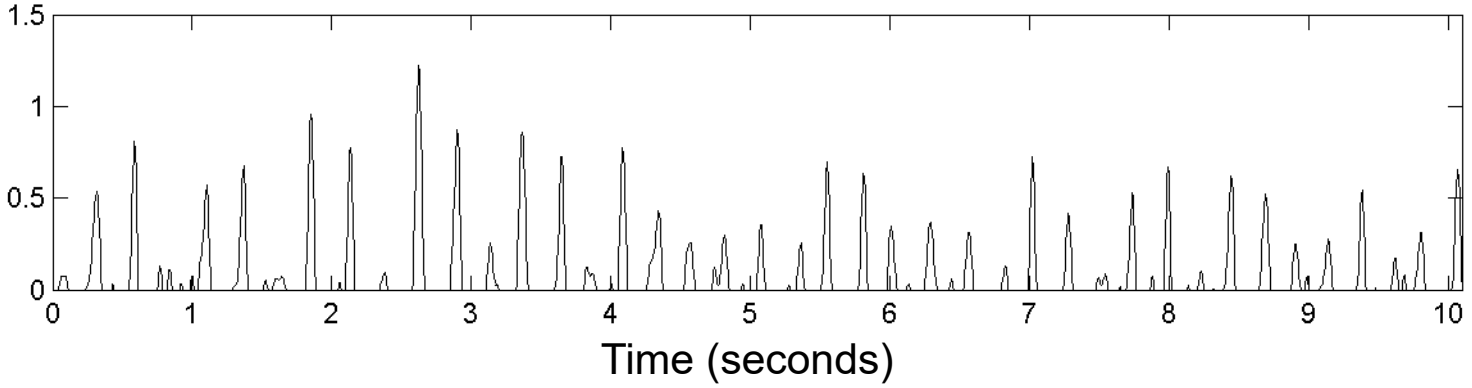
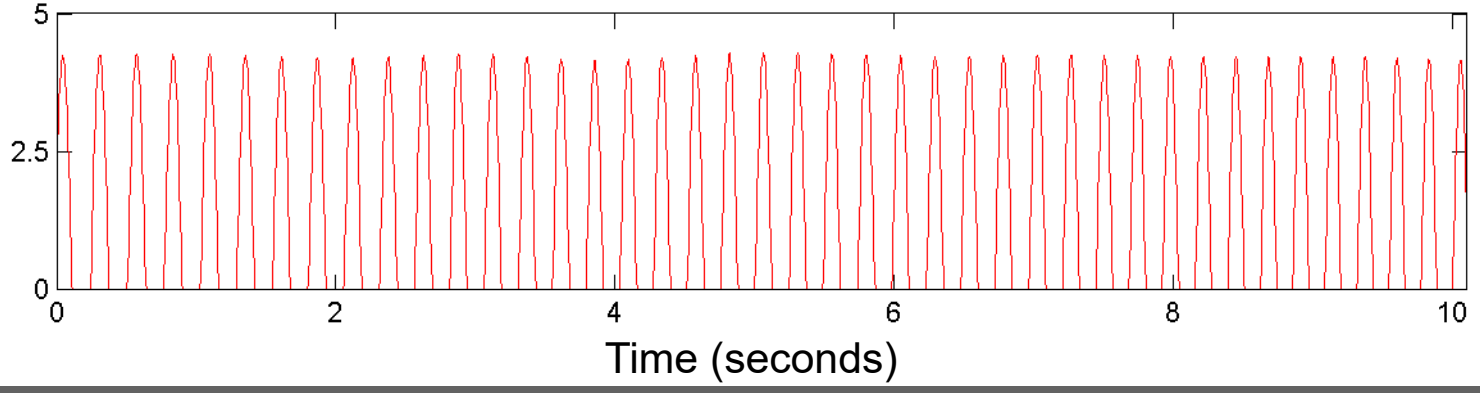
Local Pulse and Tempo Tracking

Novelty Curve



Predominant Local Pulse (PLP)



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FMP Notebooks

Structured in 10 parts

- Part B: Basic introductions to
  - Jupyter notebook framework
  - Python programming
  - Other technical concepts underlying these notebooks
- Part 0: Starting notebook
- Part 1 to Part 8:
  Different music processing scenarios

Part	Title	Notions, Techniques & Algorithms	HTML	IPYNB
B	Basics	Basic information on Python, Jupyter notebooks, Anaconda package management system, Python environments, visualizations, and other topics	[html]	[ipynb]
0	Overview	Overview of the notebooks (https://www.audiolabs-erlangen.de/FMP)	[html]	[ipynb]
1	Music Representations	Music notation, MIDI, audio signal, waveform, pitch, loudness, timbre	[html]	[ipynb]
2	Fourier Analysis of Signals	Discrete/analog signal, sinusoid, exponential, Fourier transform, Fourier representation, DFT, FFT, STFT	[html]	[ipynb]
3	Music Synchronization	Chroma feature, dynamic programming, dynamic time warping (DTW), alignment, user interface	[html]	[ipynb]
4		Similarity matrix, repetition,		[ipynb]
5				[ipynb]
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Part B: Basics

Topic	Description
Get Started	Explanation on how to install and use the FMP notebooks
Installation	Installation of Python using Conda
Jupyter Notebook	Usage of Jupyter notebook framework
Python Basics	Introduction of data types, control structures, and functions
Python Style Guide	Recommendations for programming style
Multimedia	Integration of multimedia objects into notebooks
Python Visualization	Generation of figures and images
Python Audio	Reading and writing audio files
Numba	Acceleration of Python functions via JIT compilation
Annotation Visualization	Visualization of annotations (single value, segments)
Sonification	Sonification methods (onsets, F0 trajectories, pitch, chroma)
libfmp	Library of FMP-specific Python functions
MIR Resources	Links to resources that are useful for MIR

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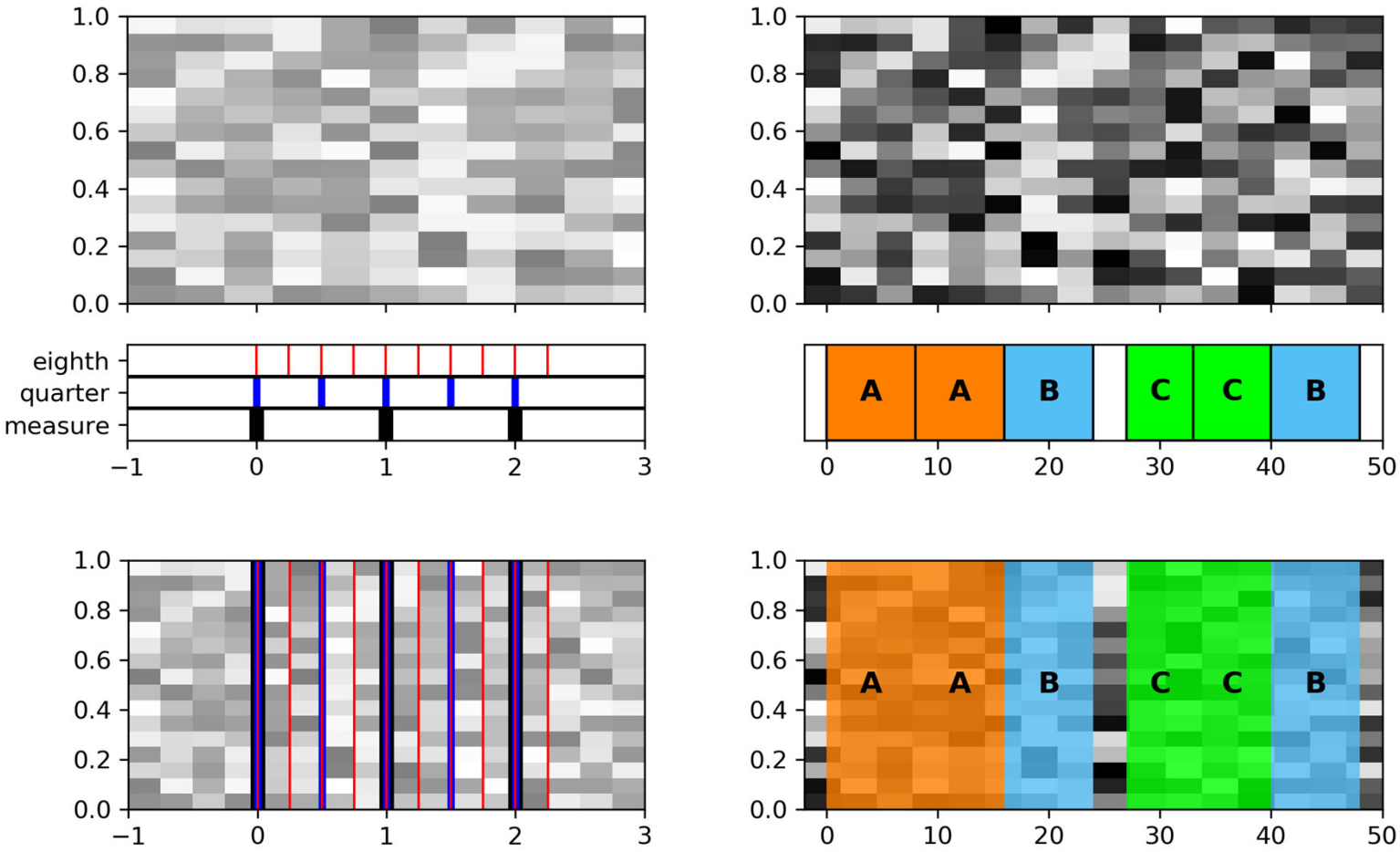
Part B: Basics

Annotation Visualization

Examples for visualizing annotations of time positions and segments.



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Part 1: Music Representations

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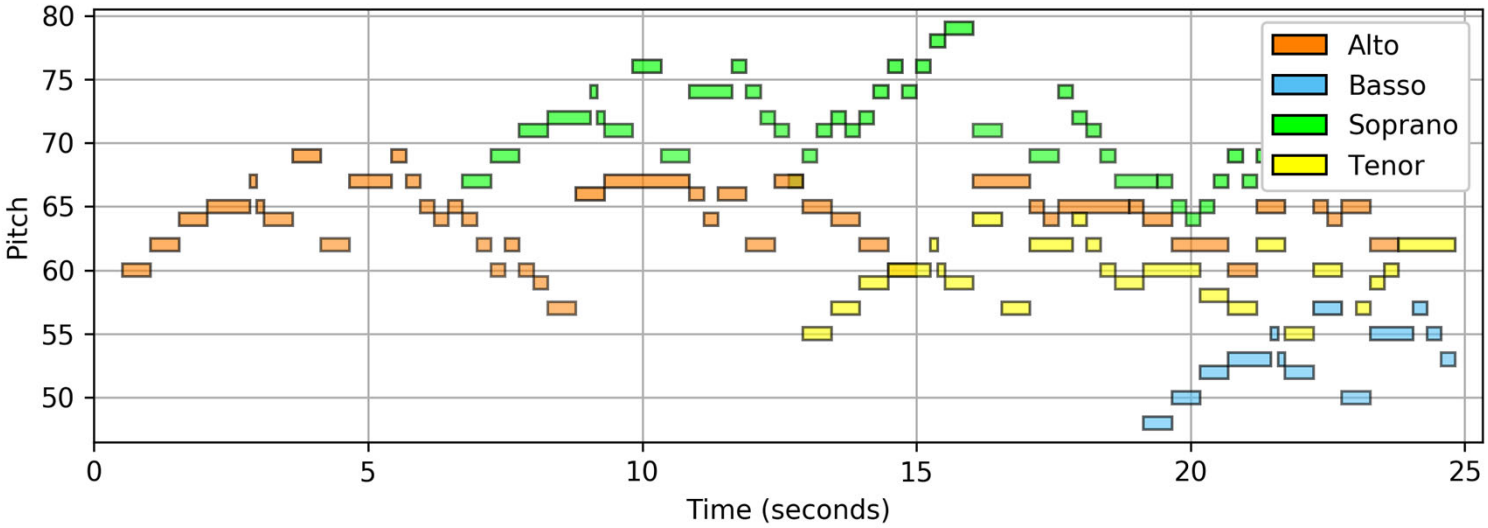

Visualization of a piano-roll representation (Fugue BWV 846 by Bach).

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Part 1: Music Representations

Waves and Waveforms

Videos illustrating the concepts of transverse, longitudinal, and combined waves.

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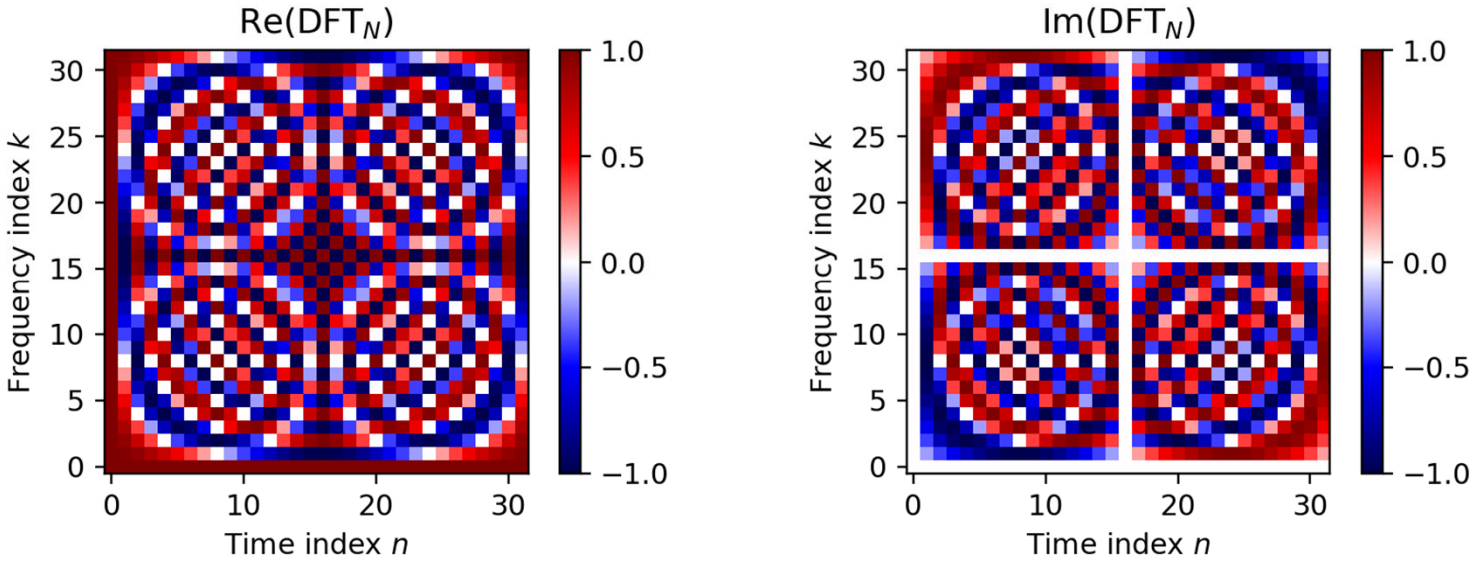
Part 2: Fourier Analysis of Signals

Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT)



The matrix DFT_N and a visualization of its real and imaginary parts for the case $N = 32$

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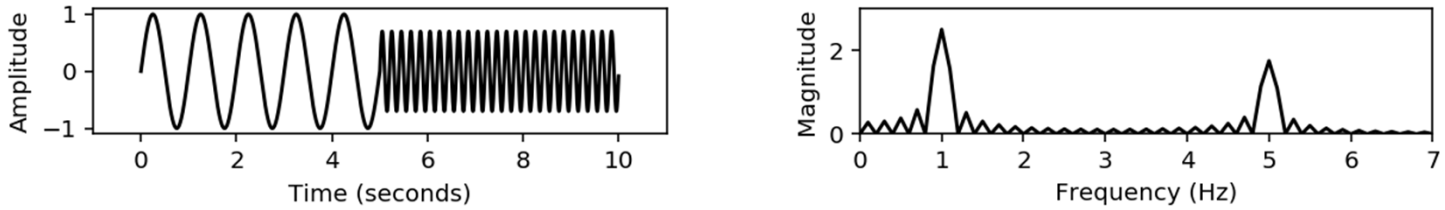
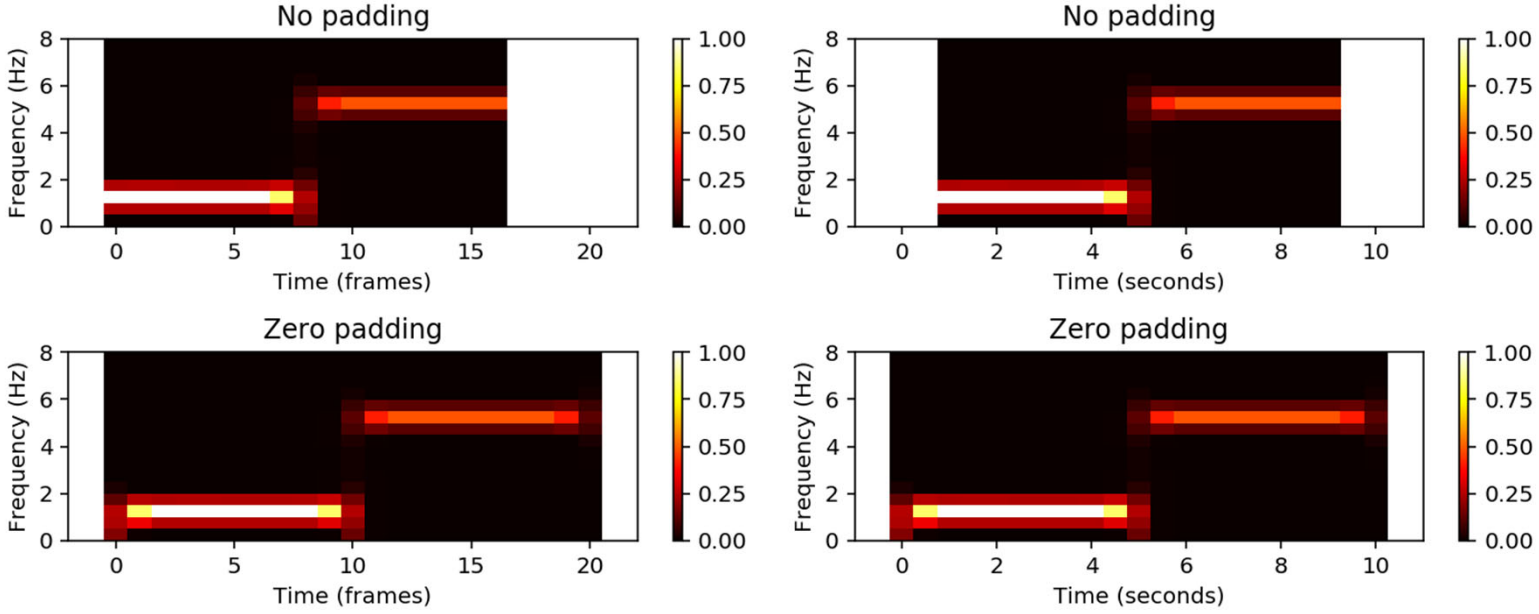
Part 2: Fourier Analysis of Signals

STFT: Padding

Time-domain signal and magnitude Fourier transform.



Magnitude STFT.



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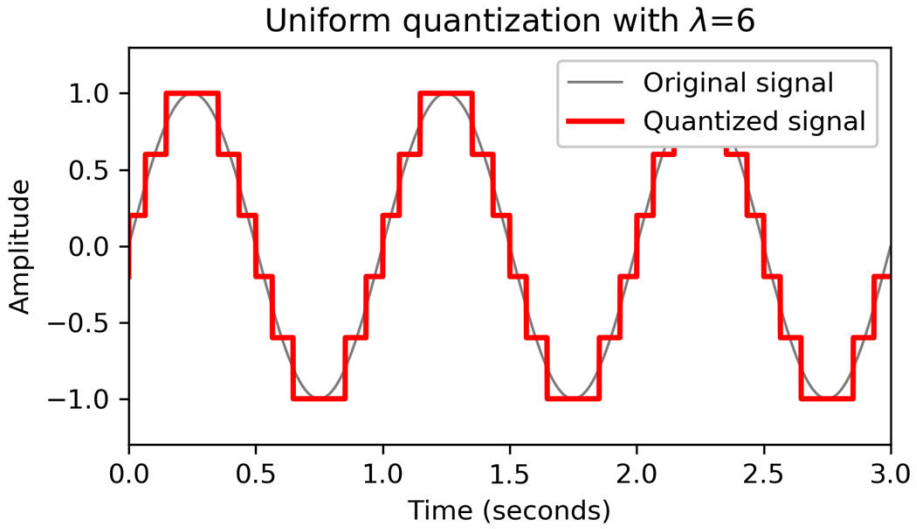
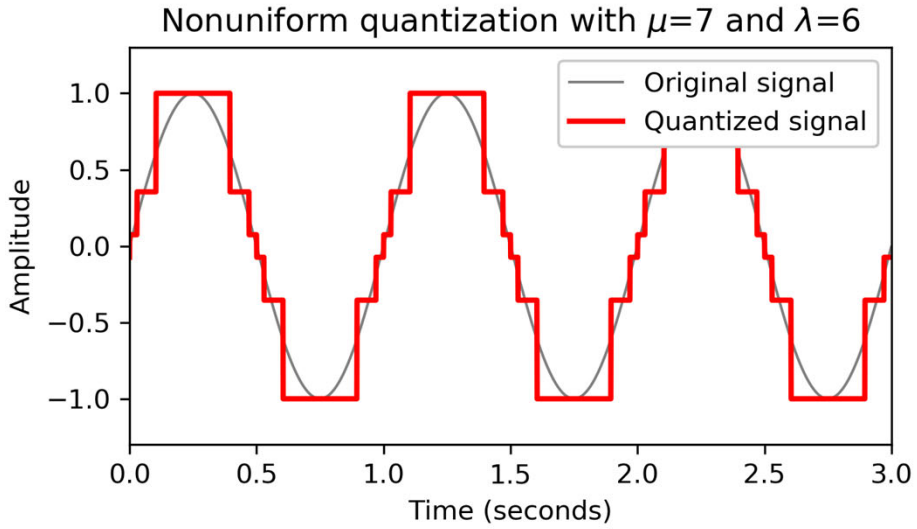
Part 2: Fourier Analysis of Signals

Digital Signals: Quantization

Uniform and nonuniform quantization (based on μ-law encoding) using $\lambda = 6$ quantization levels.





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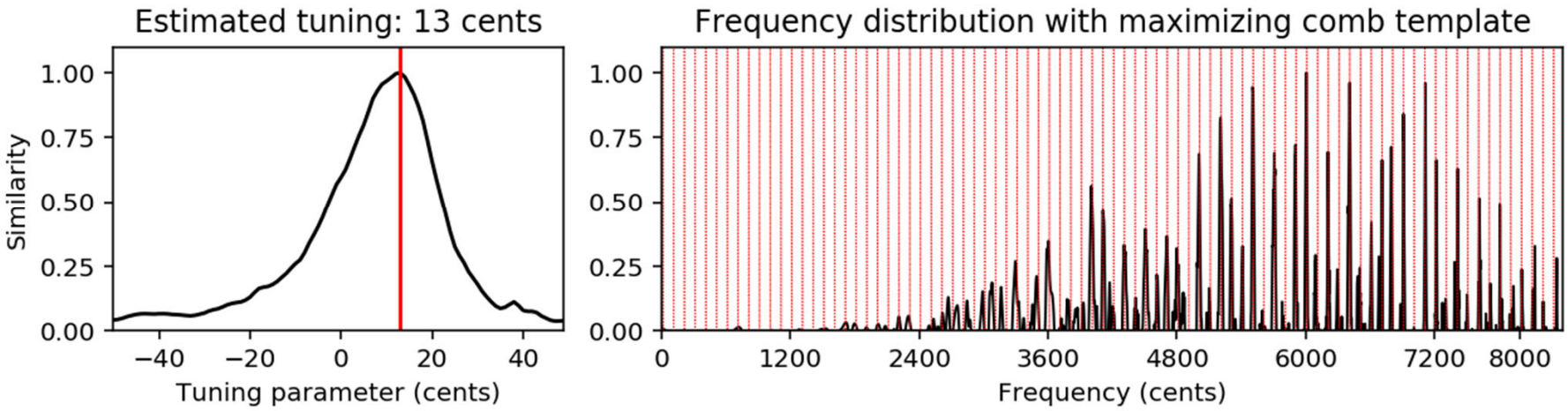
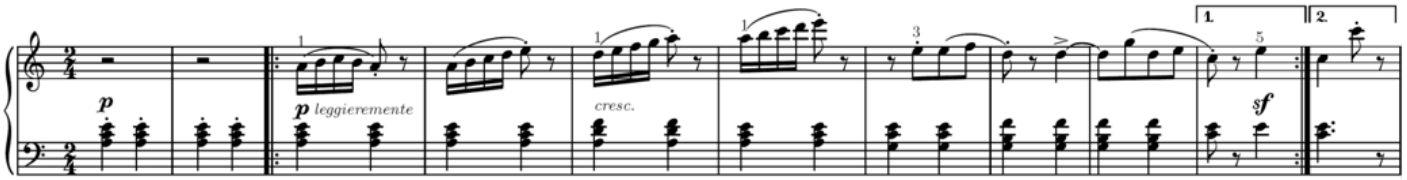
Transposition and Tuning

Tuning procedure using a comb-filter approach.





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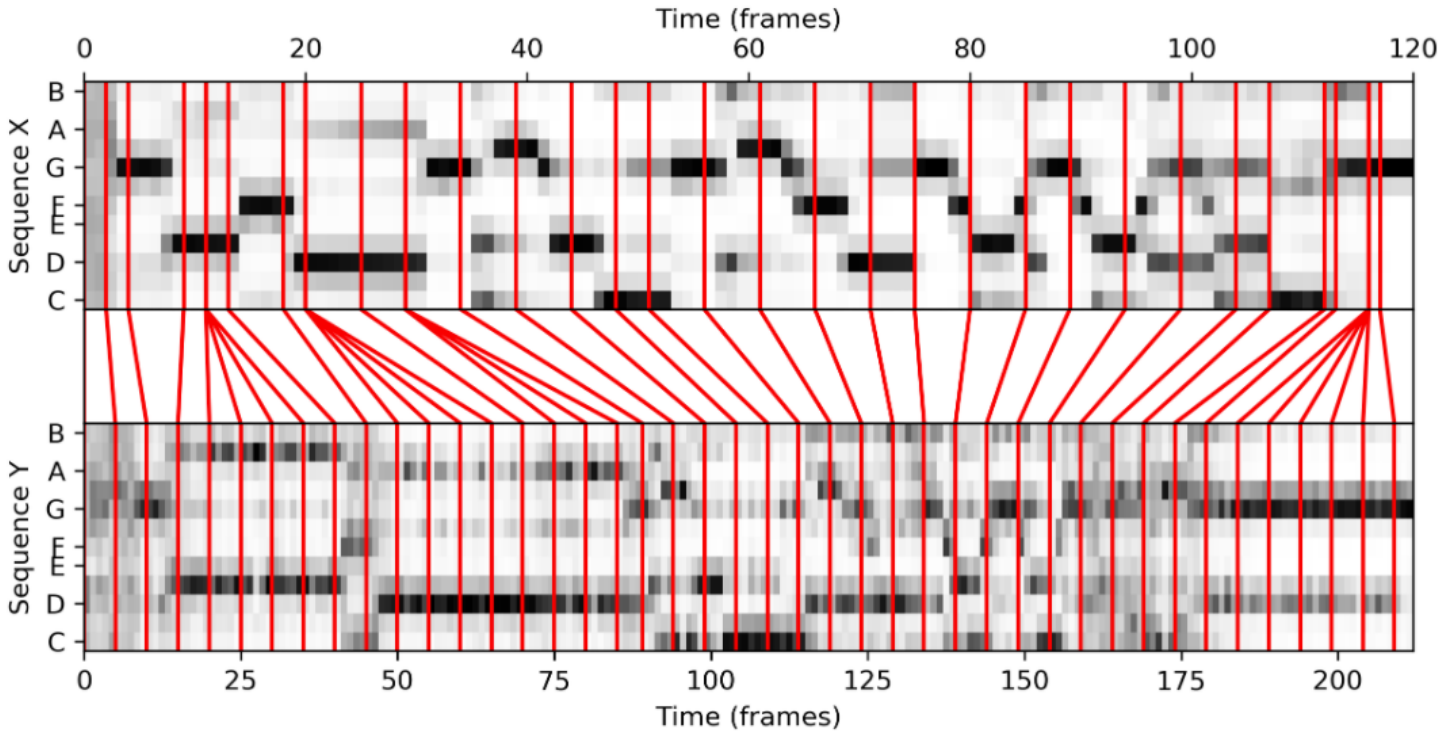
Music Synchronization

Music synchronization result obtained for two input chromagrams (obtained from two recordings of the beginning of Beethoven's Fifth Symphony).



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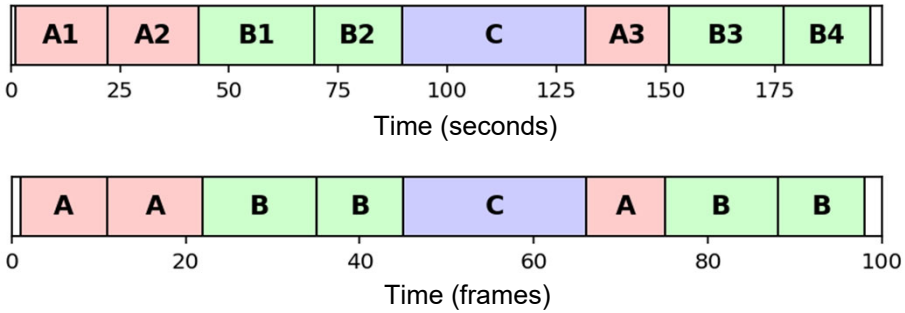
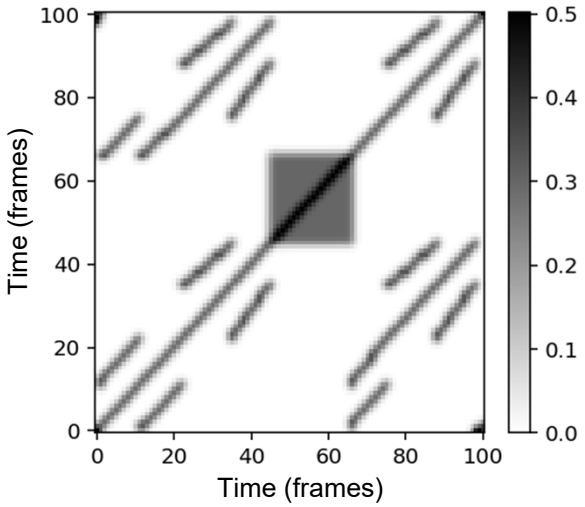
Part 4: Music Structure Analysis

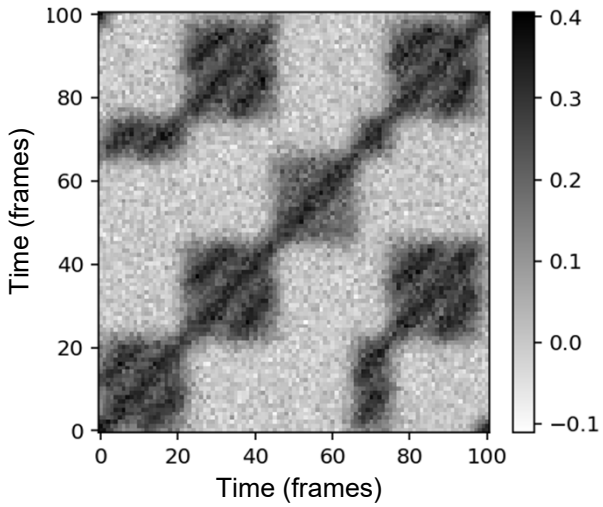
SSM: Synthetic Generation

Structure annotation and different synthetically generated SSMs.

	start	end	label
0	0.00	1.01	
1	1.01	22.11	A1
2	22.11	43.06	A2
3	43.06	69.42	B1
4	69.42	89.57	B2
5	89.57	131.64	C
6	131.64	150.84	A3
7	150.84	176.96	B3
8	176.96	196.90	B4
9	196.90	199.64	







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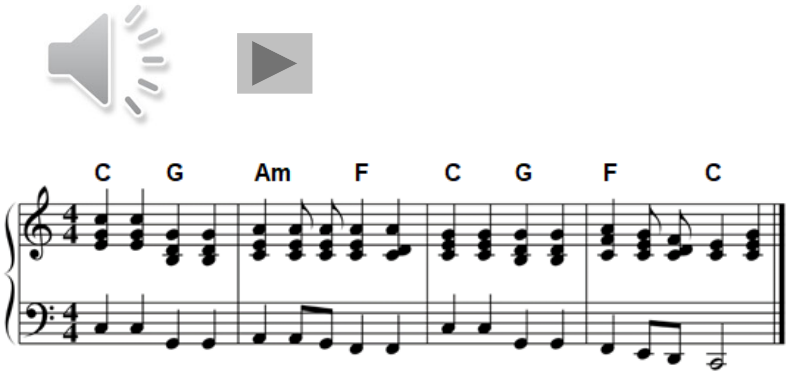
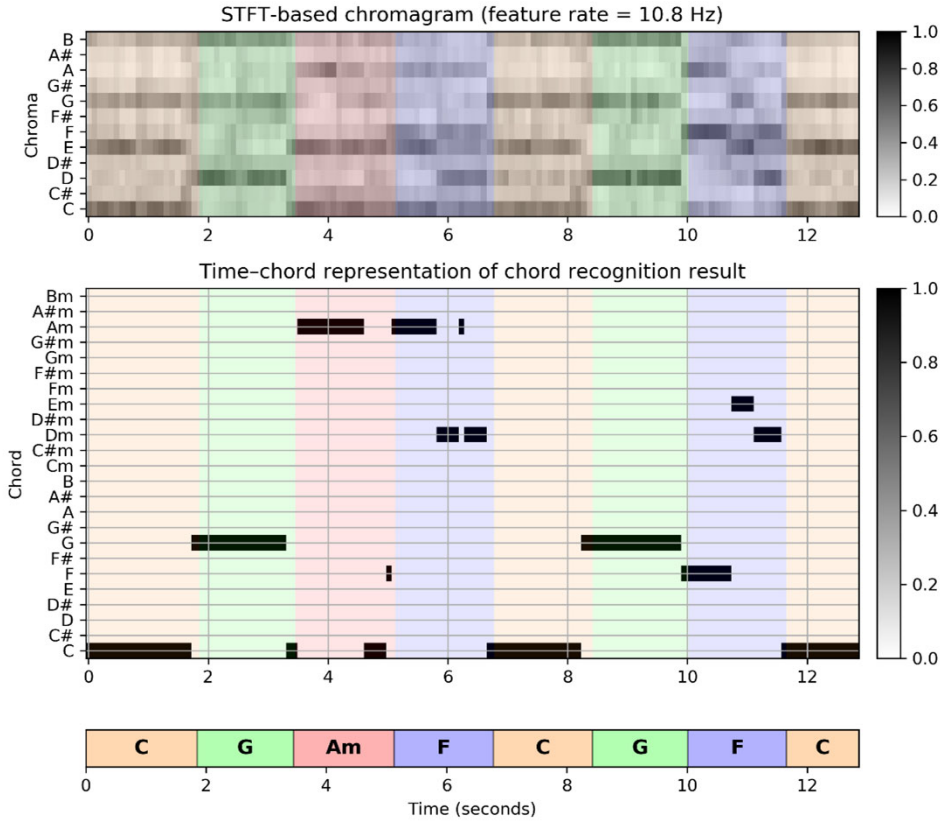
Part 5: Chord Recognition

Template-Based Chord Recognition

Chord recognition task illustrated by the first measures of the Beatles song “Let It Be.”





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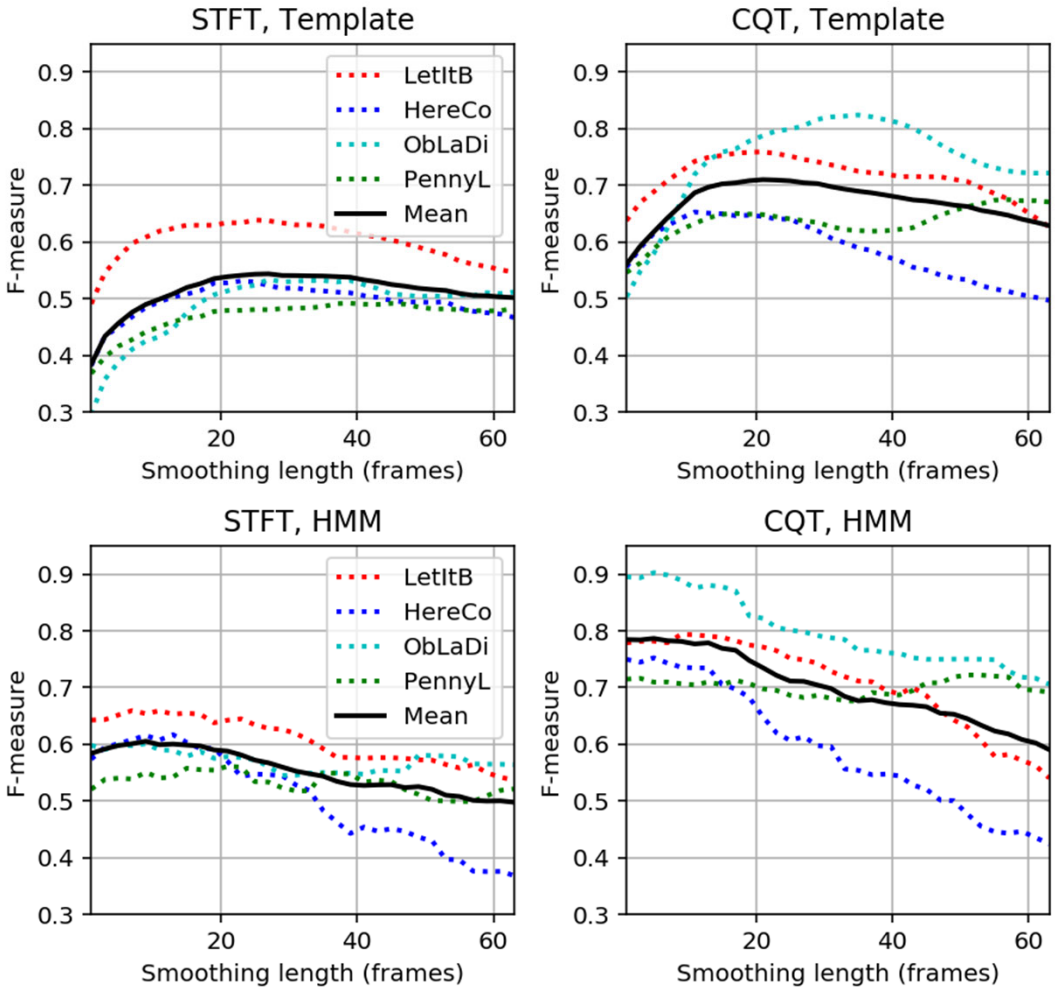
Part 5: Chord Recognition

Experiments: Beatles Collection

Prefiltering experiments for a template-based and an HMM-based chord recognizer applied to two different input chroma representations (STFT, CQT).

The evaluation is performed on the basis of four Beatles songs (LetItB, HereCo, ObLaDi, PennyL).



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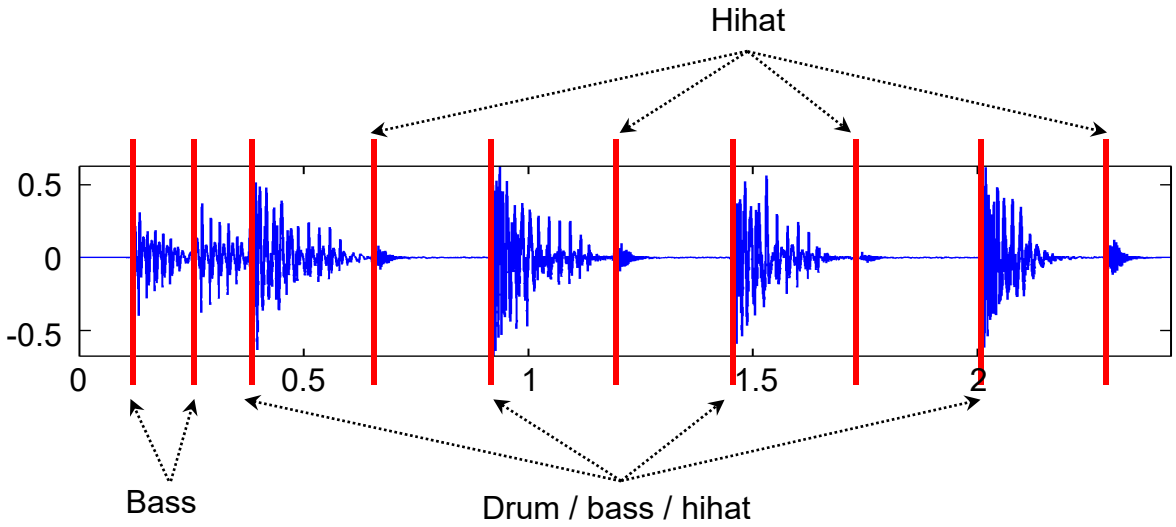
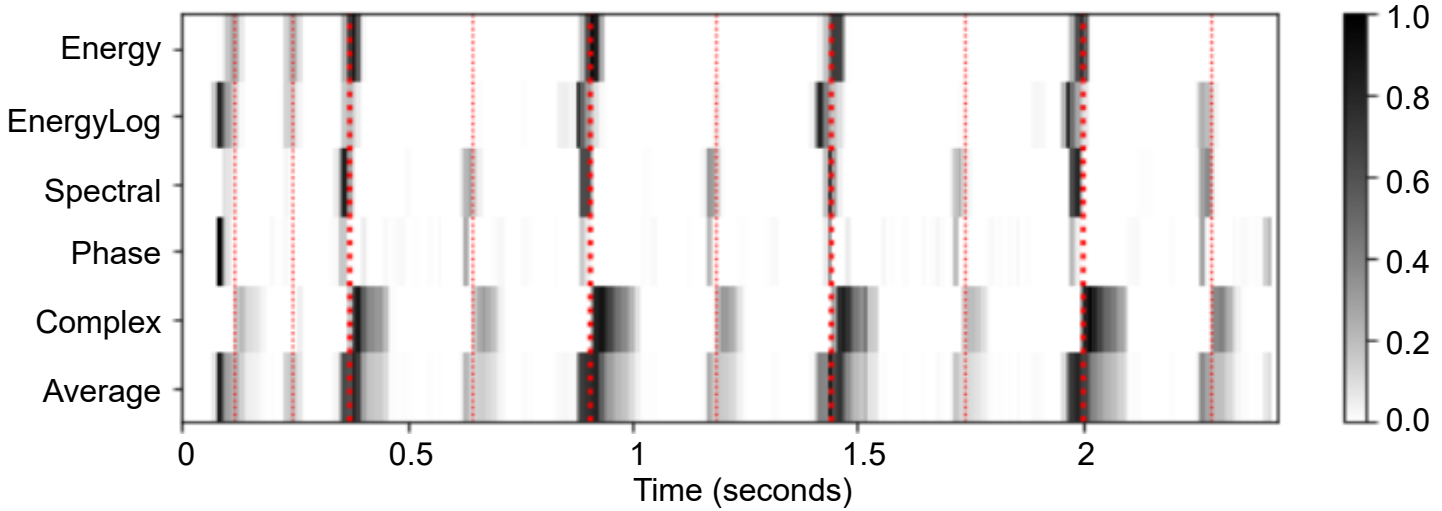
Part 6: Tempo and Beat Tracking

Novelty: Comparison of Approaches

Comparison of novelty detectors using a matrix-based visualization.





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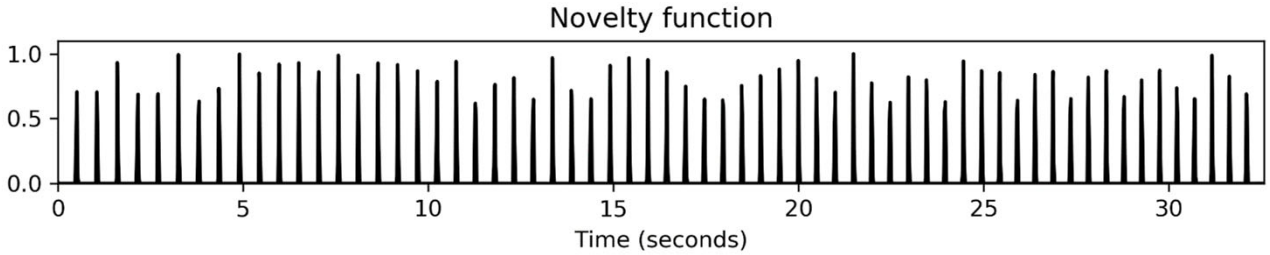
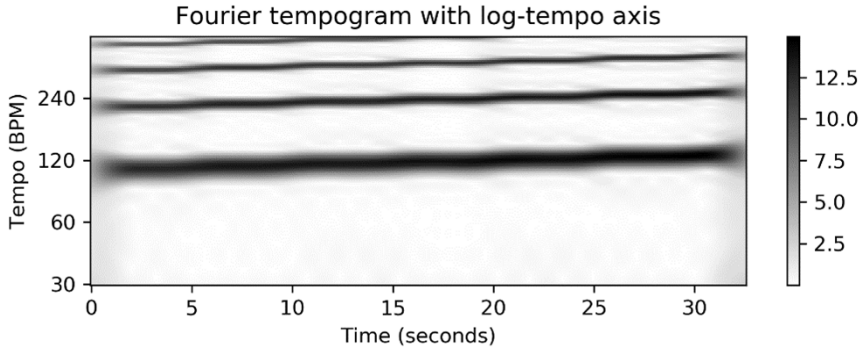
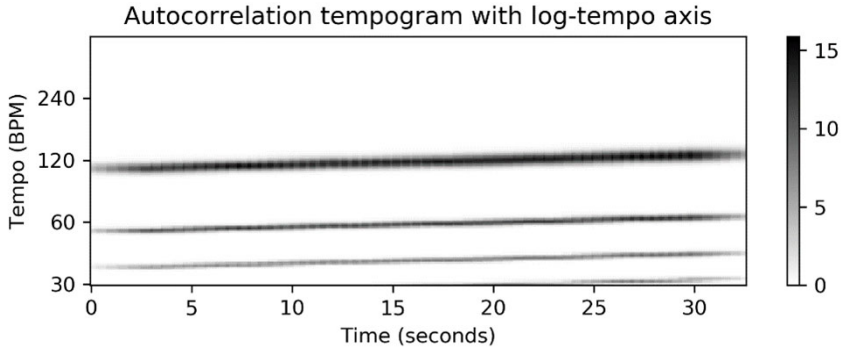
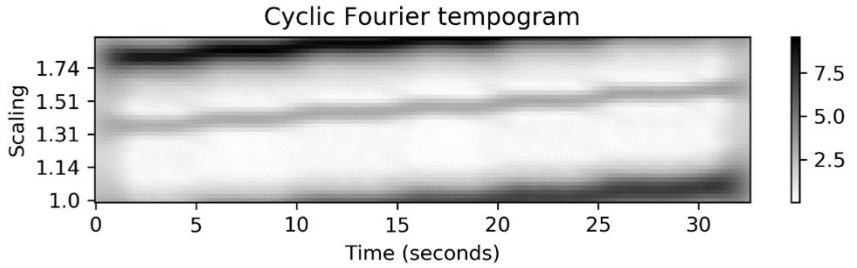
Cyclic Tempogram

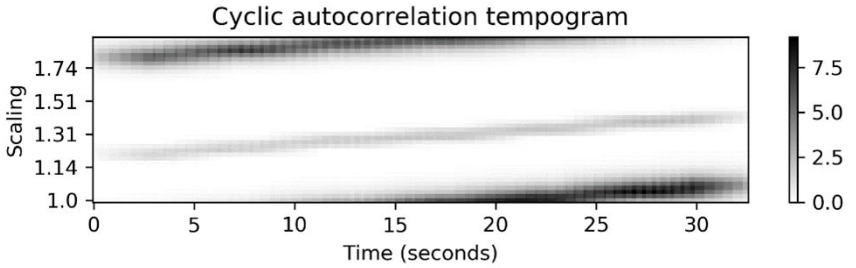
Different tempogram representations of a click track with increasing tempo.











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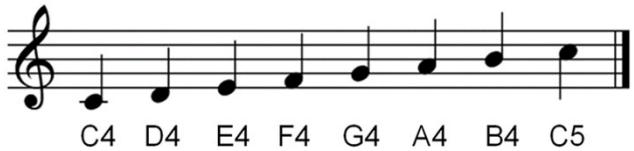
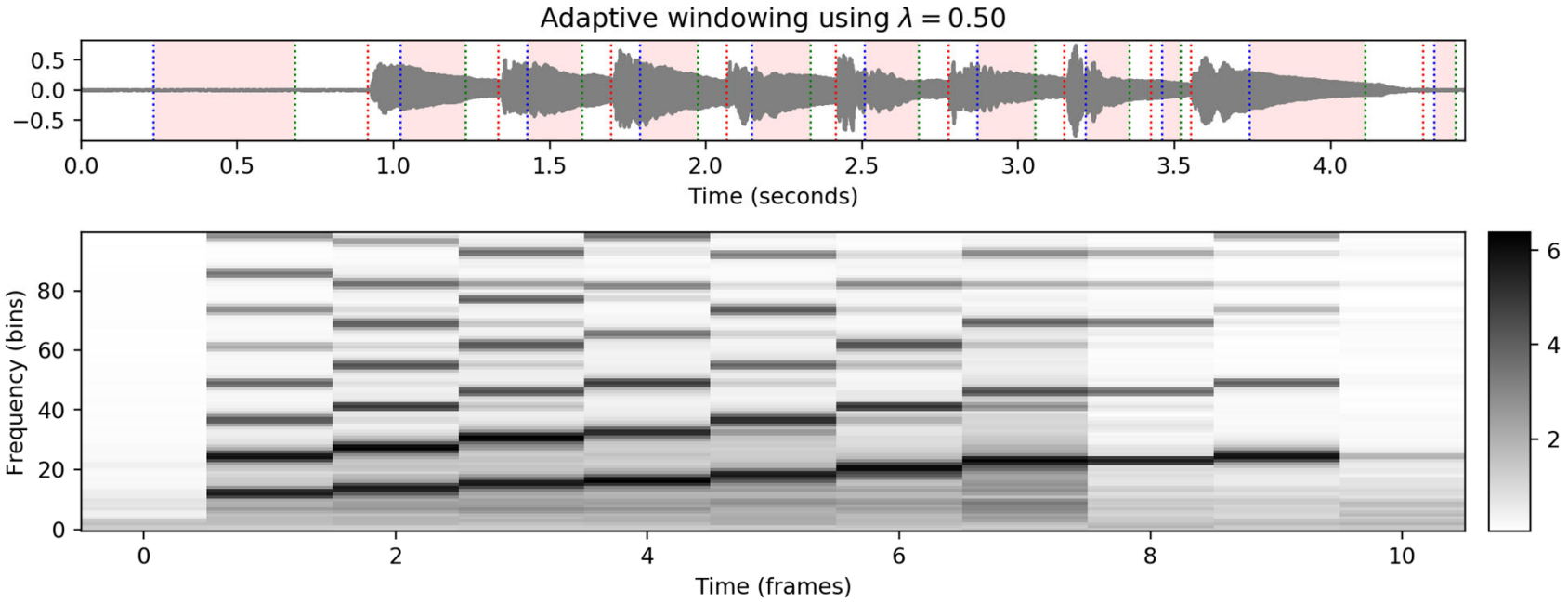
Adaptive Windowing

Example of adaptive windowing using a parameter λ to control the neighborhood's relative size to be excluded.





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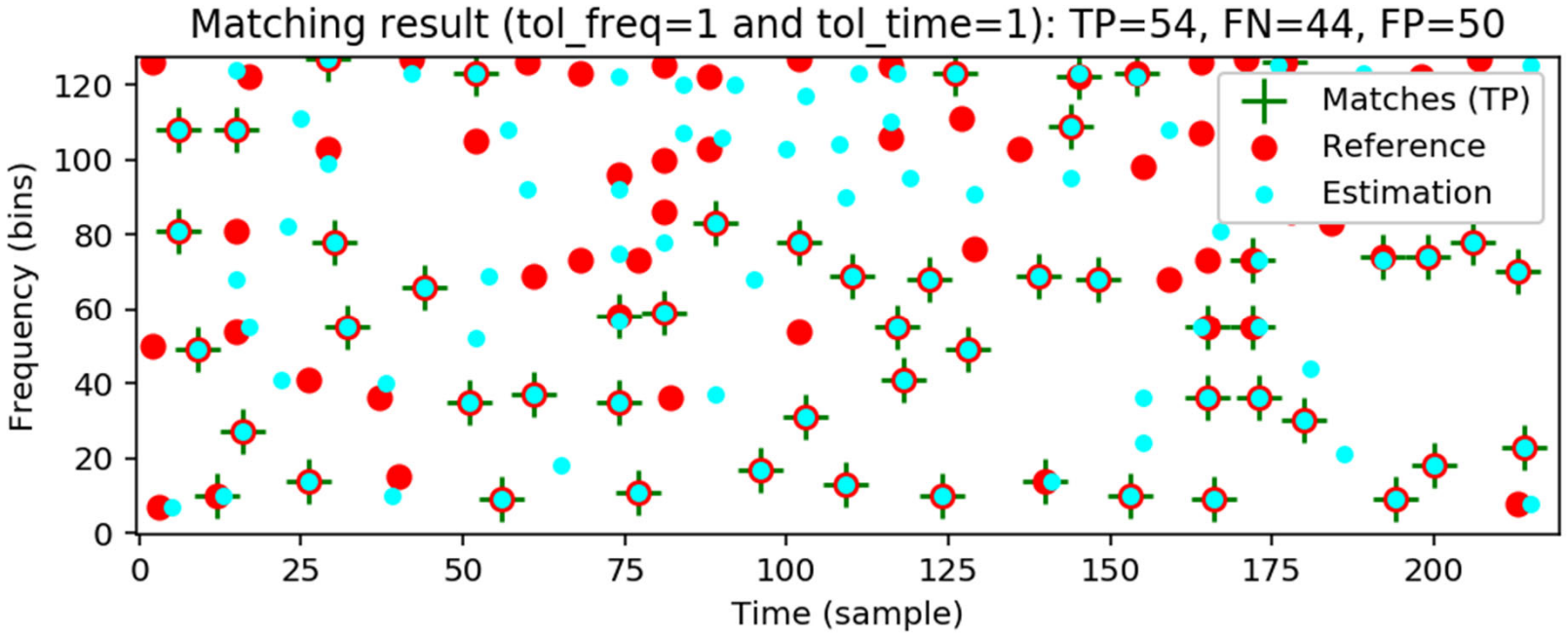
Part 7: Content-Based Audio Retrieval

Audio Identification

Evaluation measures that indicate the agreement between two constellation maps computed for an original version (Reference) and a noisy version (Estimation).



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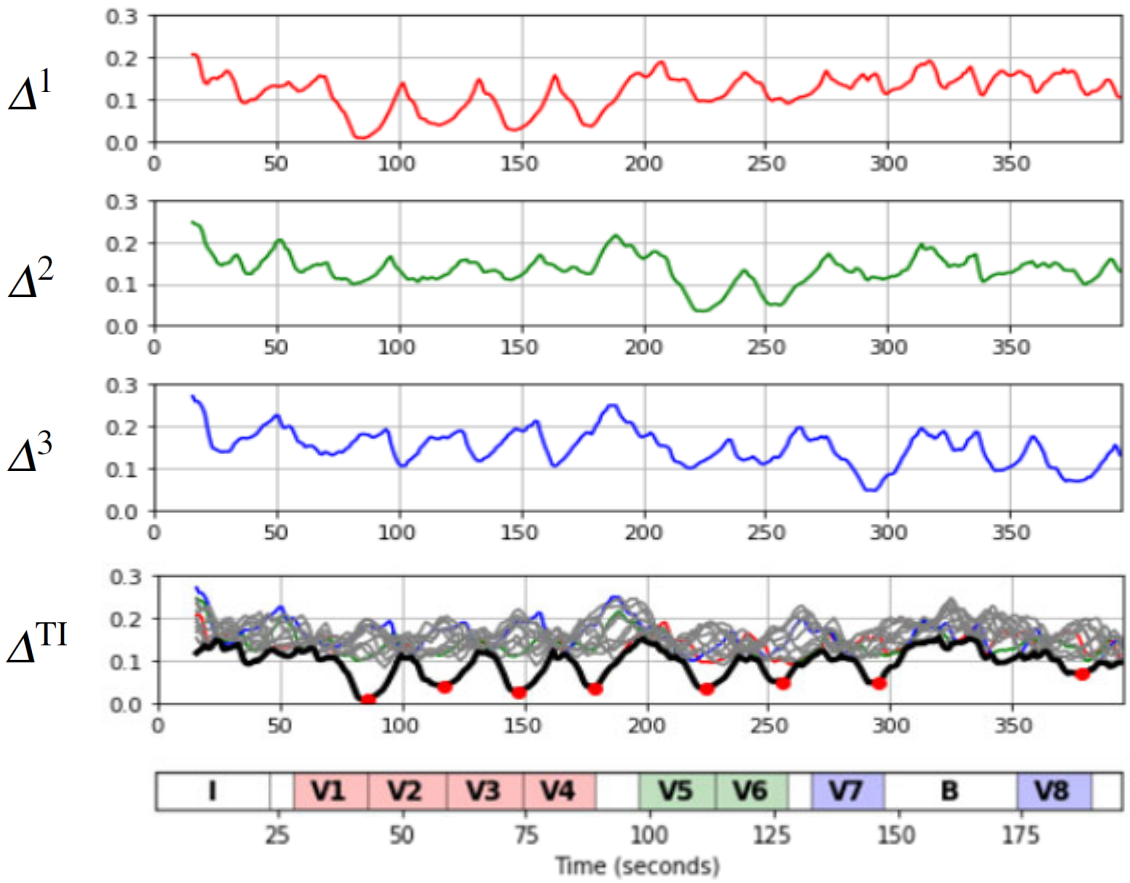
Audio Matching



Transposition-invariant matching function illustrated by Zager and Evans' song "In the Year 2525."

I V1 V2 V5 V7

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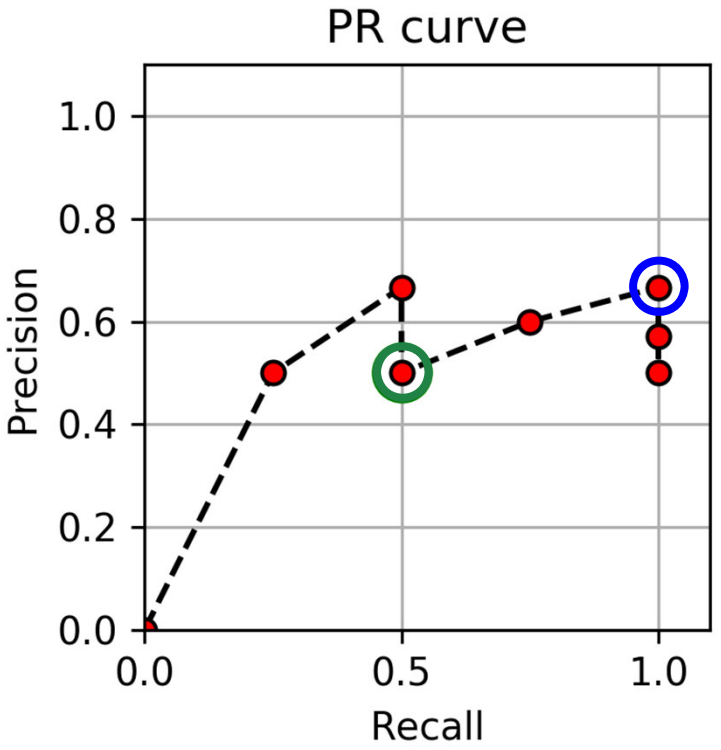
Evaluation Measures

Various evaluation metrics applied to a toy example.

Rank	ID	Score	χ_Q	P(r)	R(r)	F(r)
1	6	3.70	False	0.00	0.00	0.00
2	3	3.60	True	0.50	0.25	0.33
3	4	3.50	True	0.67	0.50	0.57
4	5	3.20	False	0.50	0.50	0.50
5	8	3.10	True	0.60	0.75	0.67
6	2	2.60	True	0.67	1.00	0.80
7	7	1.50	False	0.57	1.00	0.73
8	1	0.70	False	0.50	1.00	0.67

Break-even point = 0.50
F_max = 0.80
Average precision = 0.60833



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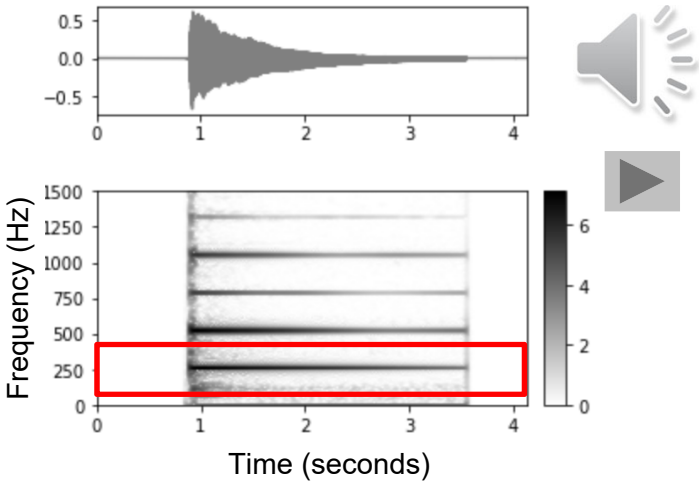
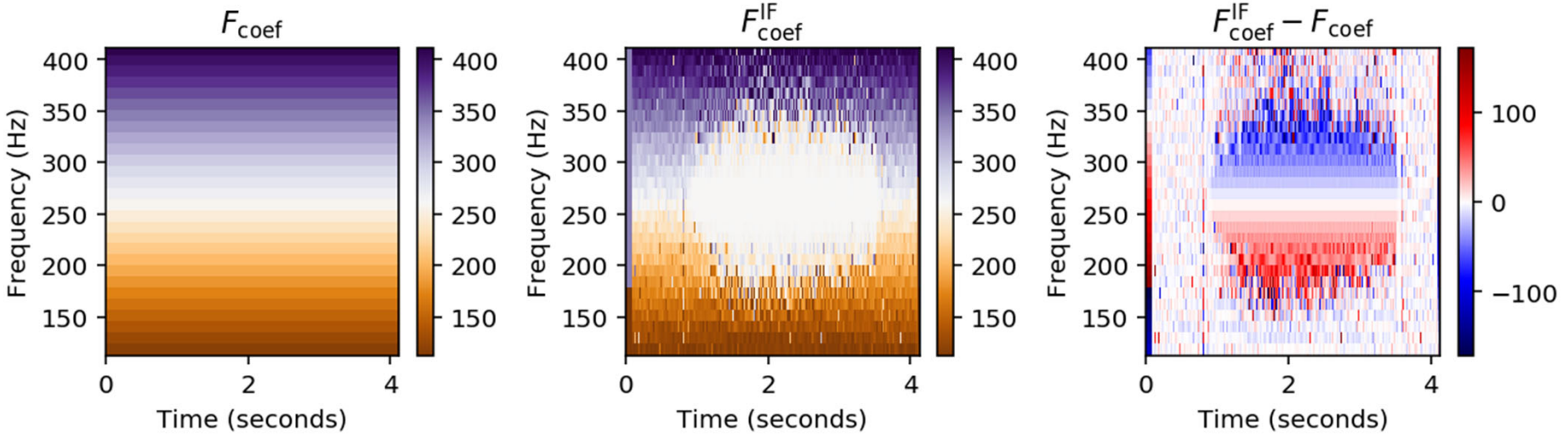
Part 8: Audio Decomposition

Instantaneous Frequency Estimation

Interpretation of time–frequency bins of an STFT using (frame-dependent) instantaneous frequency values.





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Fundamental Frequency Tracking

Salience representation with trajectories computed by
(a) a frame-wise approach,
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(c) a score-informed approach.

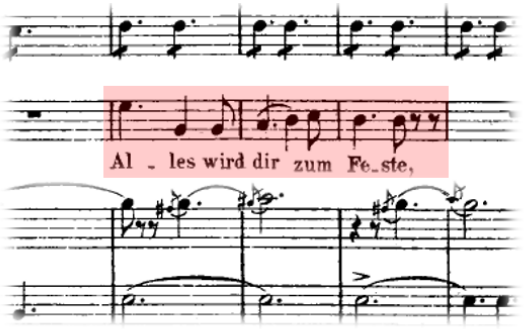
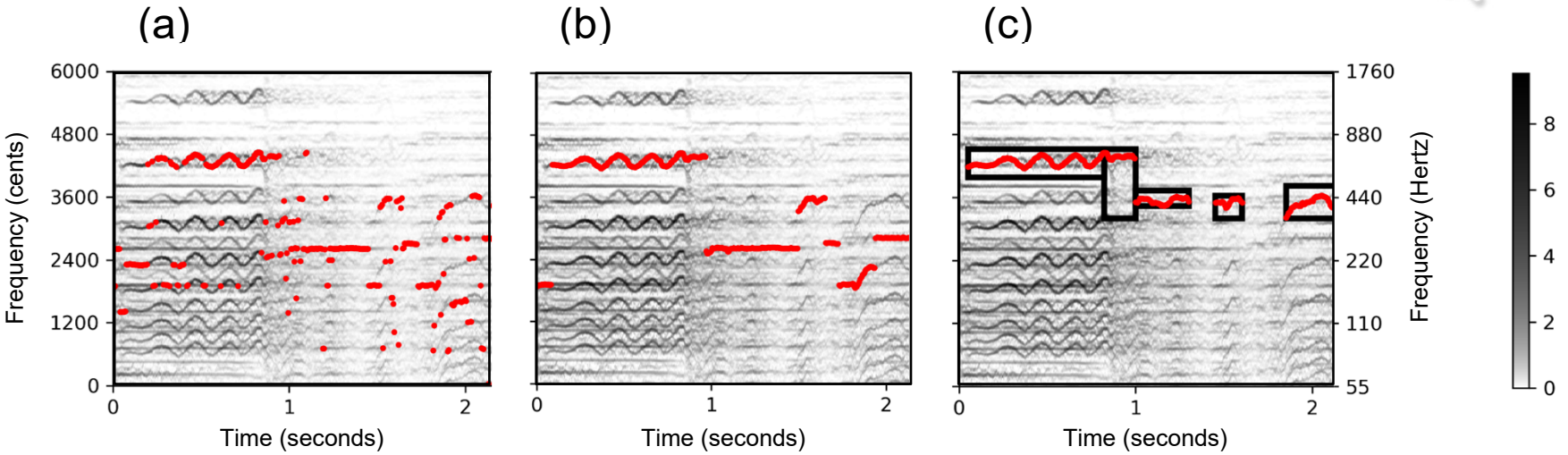


Figure 8.10a from [Müller, FMP, Springer 2015]



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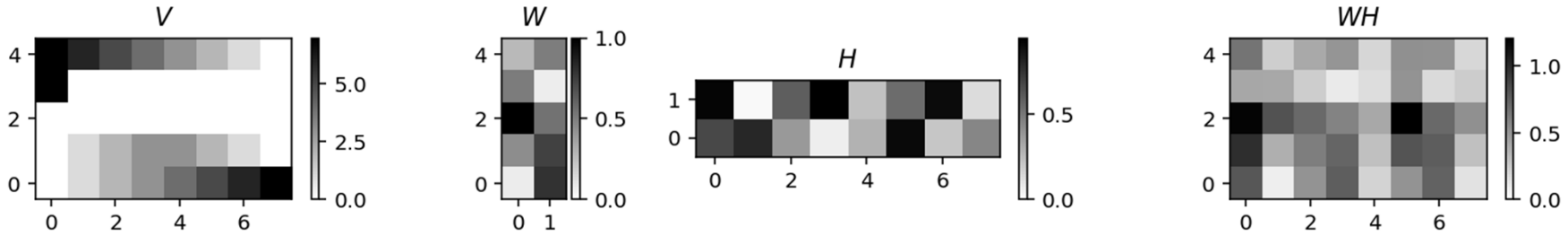
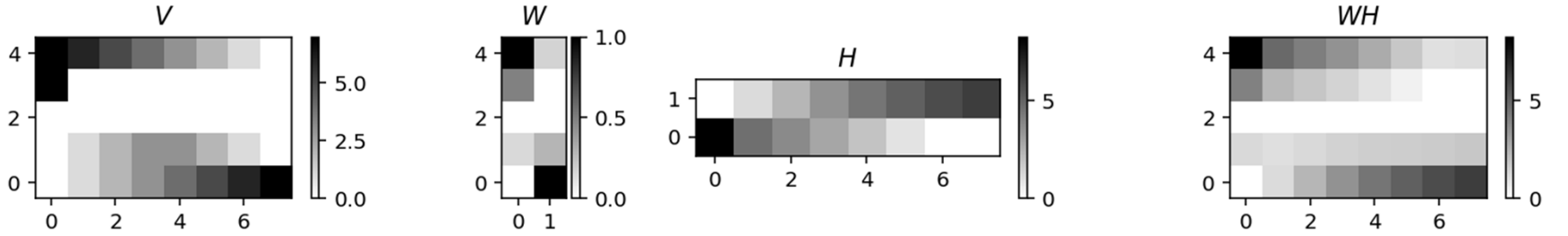
Nonnegative Matrix Factorization (NMF)

NMF procedure applied to a toy example.

Matrix *V* and randomly initialized matrices *W* and *H*.



Matrix V and matrices W and H after training.



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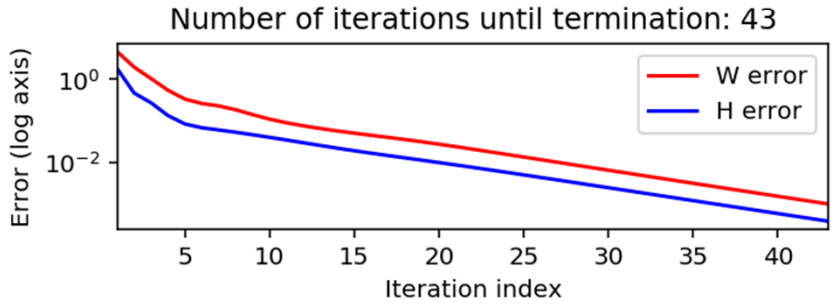

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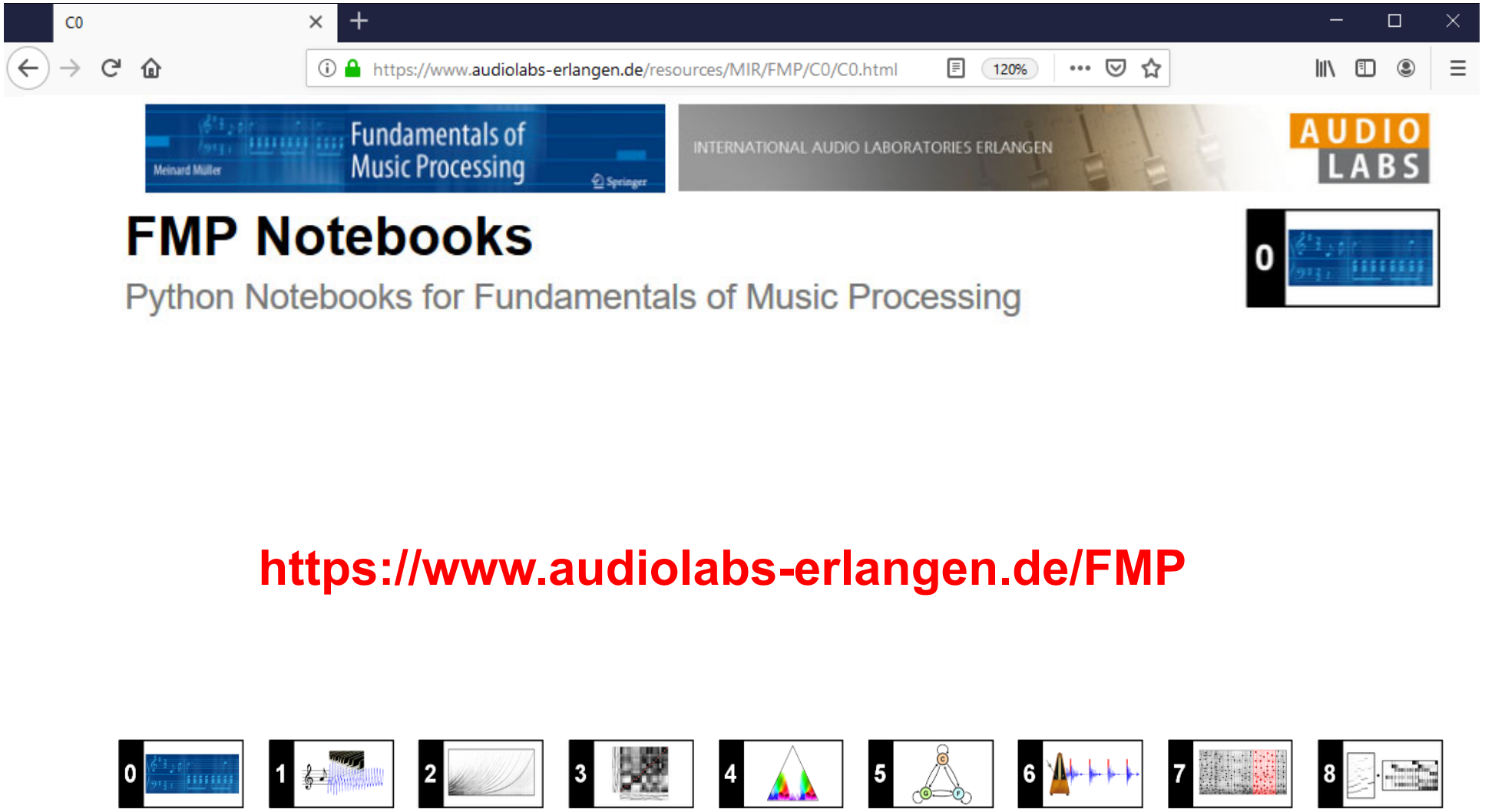

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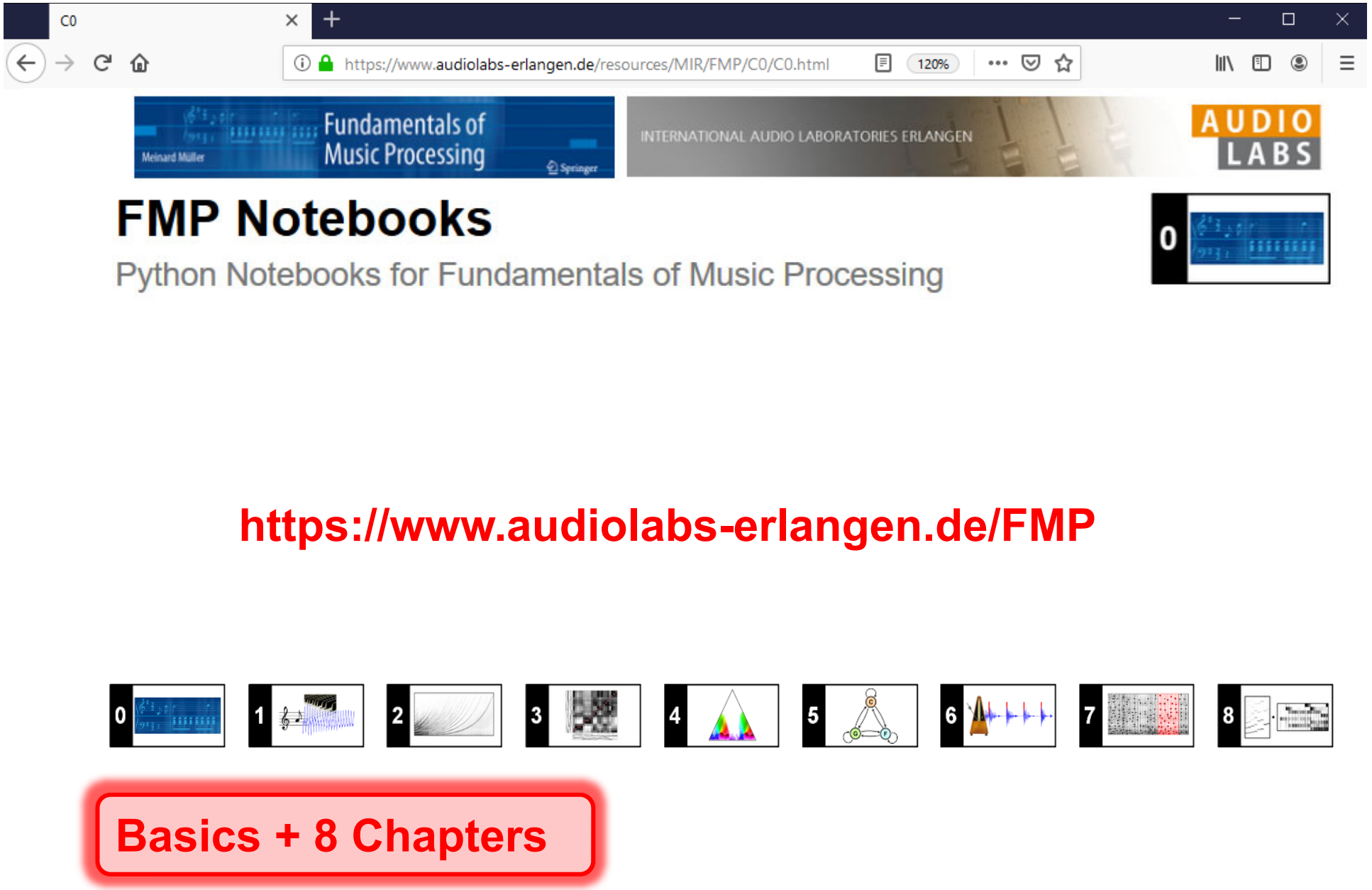

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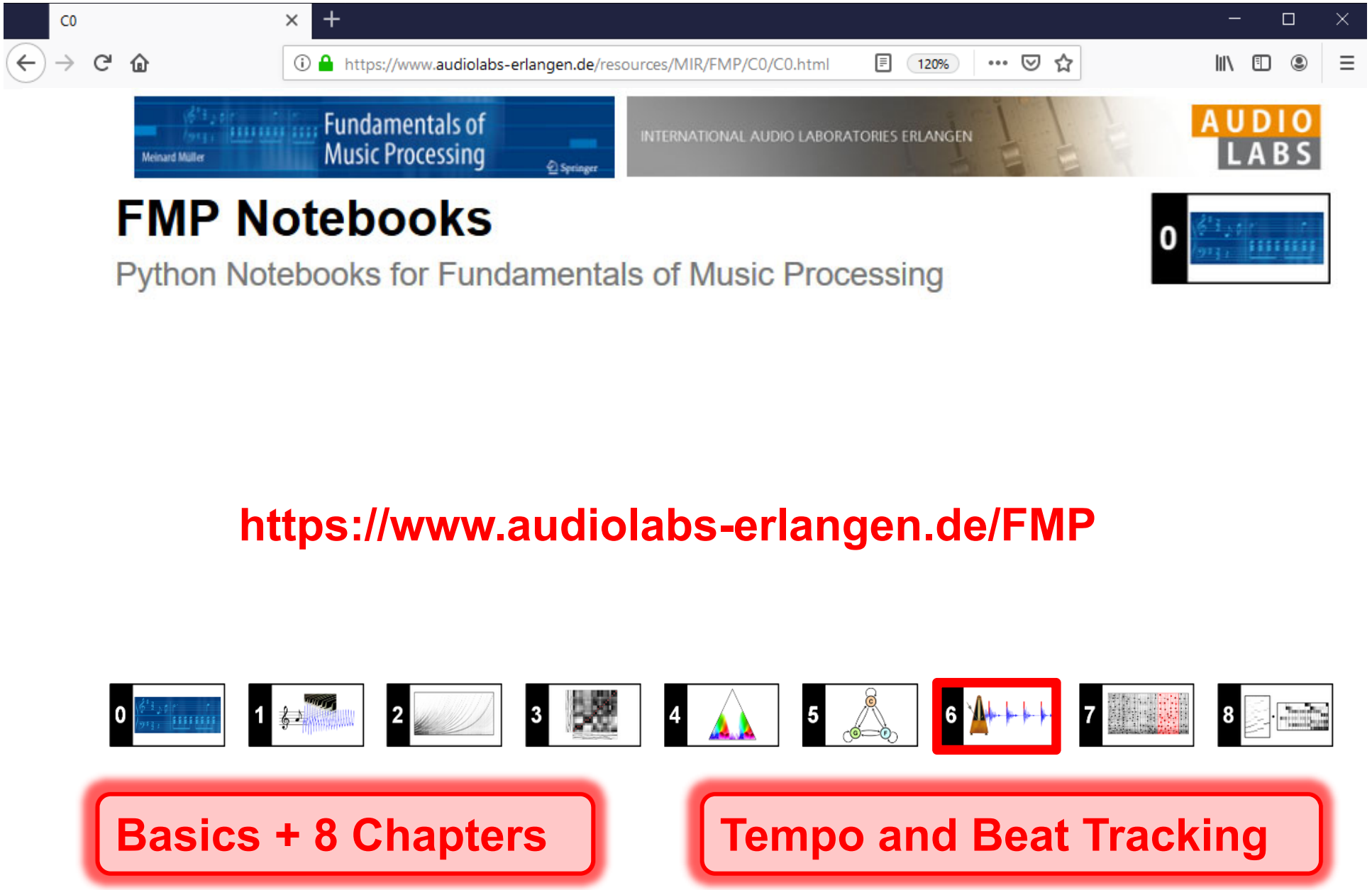

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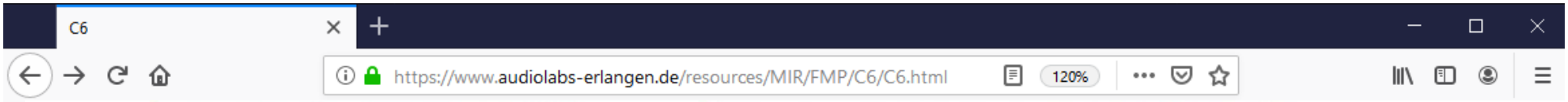

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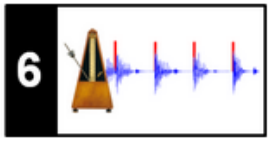

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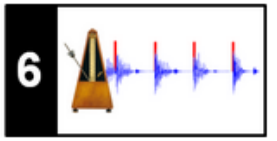

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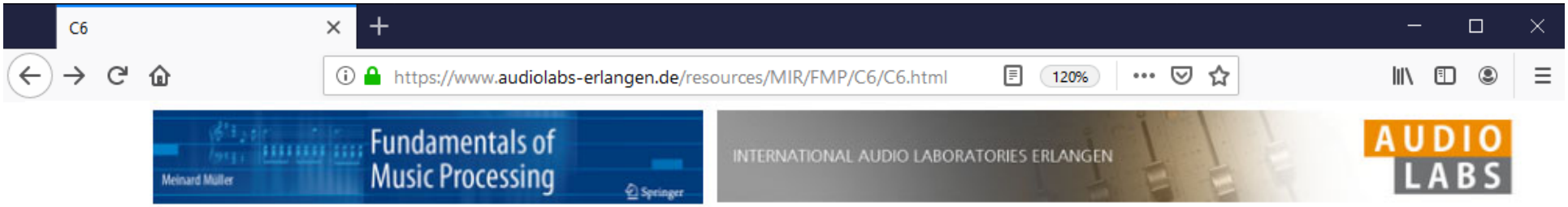

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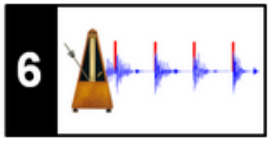

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Explanations

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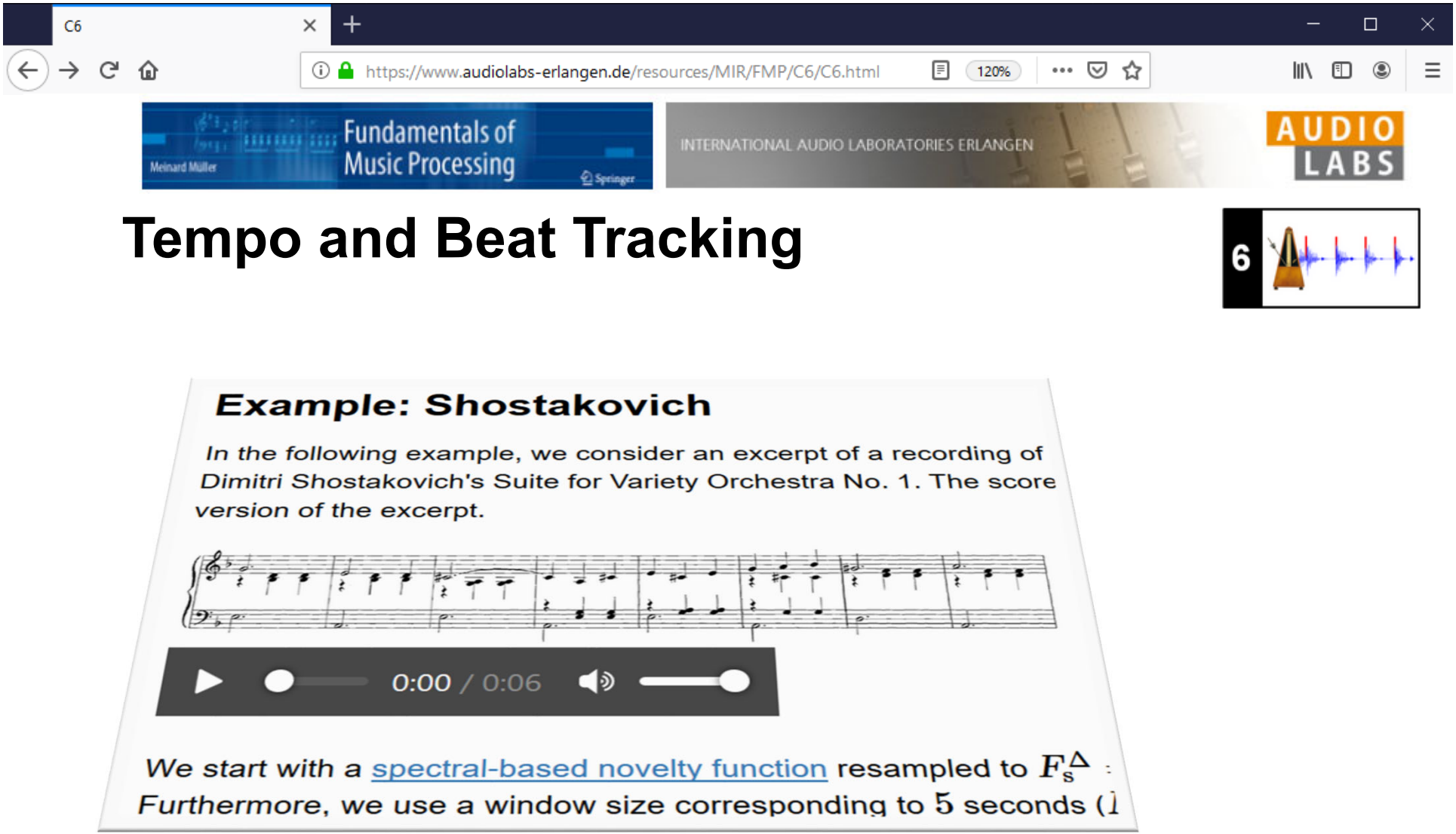

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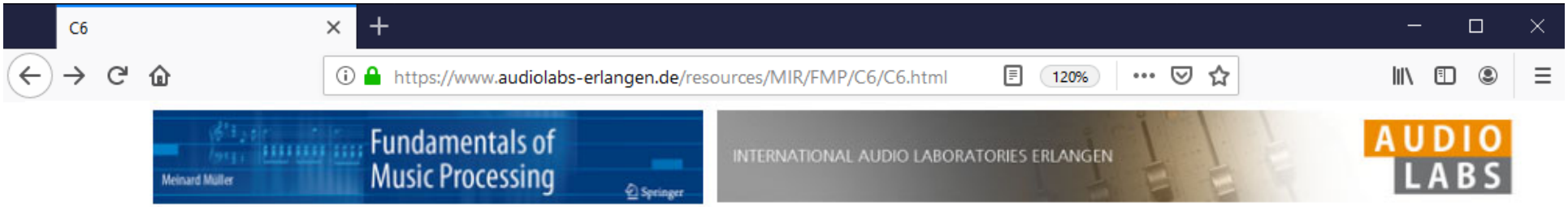

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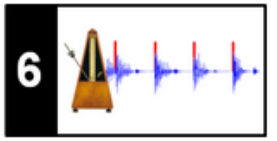

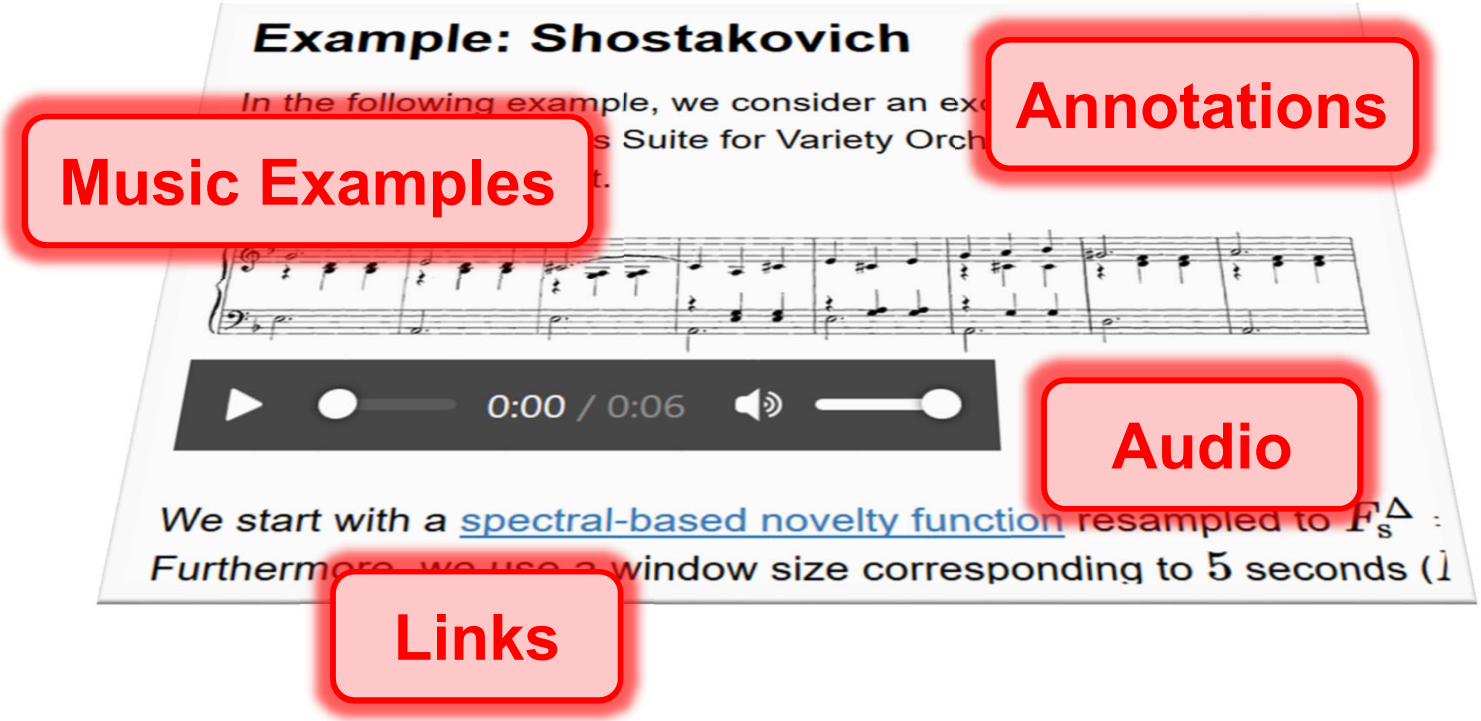

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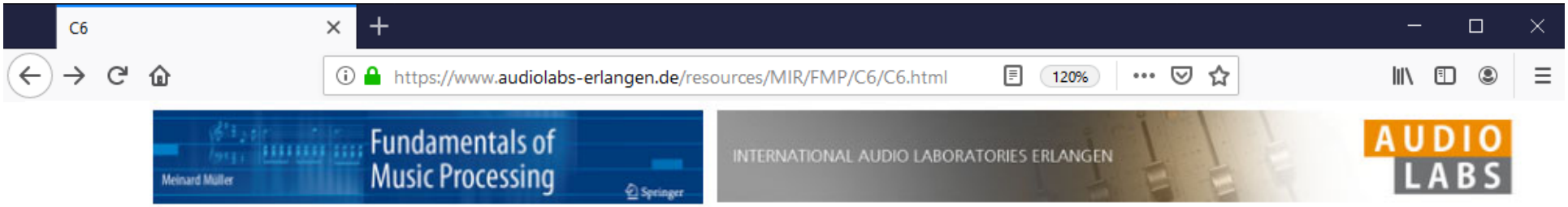

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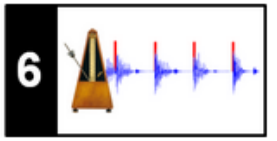


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            Notebook: C6/C6S2_TempogramFourier.ipynb

            Args:
                c: Coefficient of tempogram (c=X(k,n))
                tempo: Tempo parameter corresponding tc
        _coef_BPM[k])
                n: Frame parameter of c
                Fs: Sampling rate
                N: Window length
                H: Hop size
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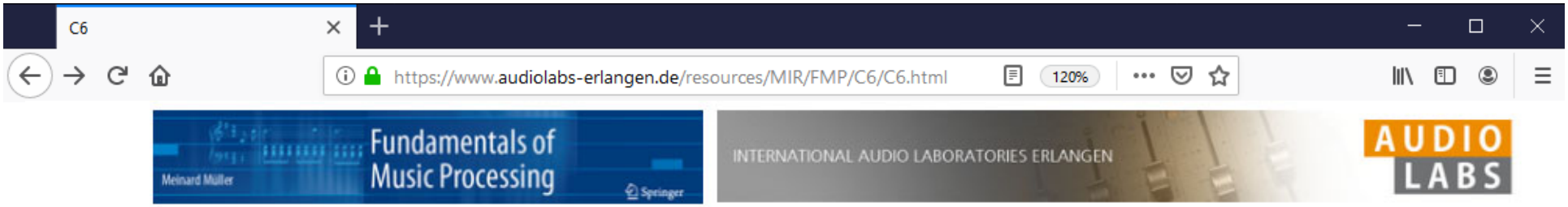

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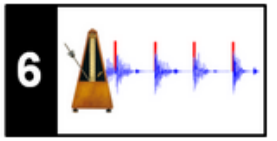

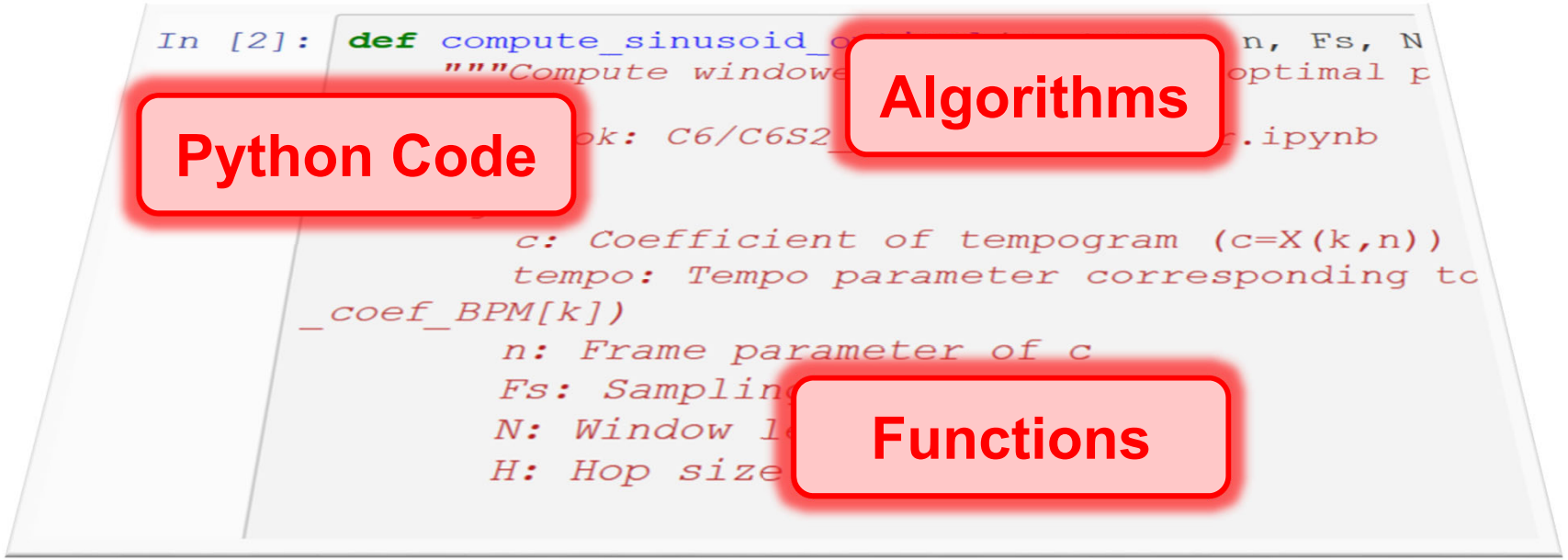

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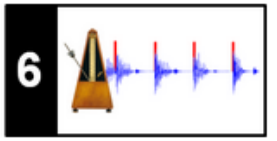

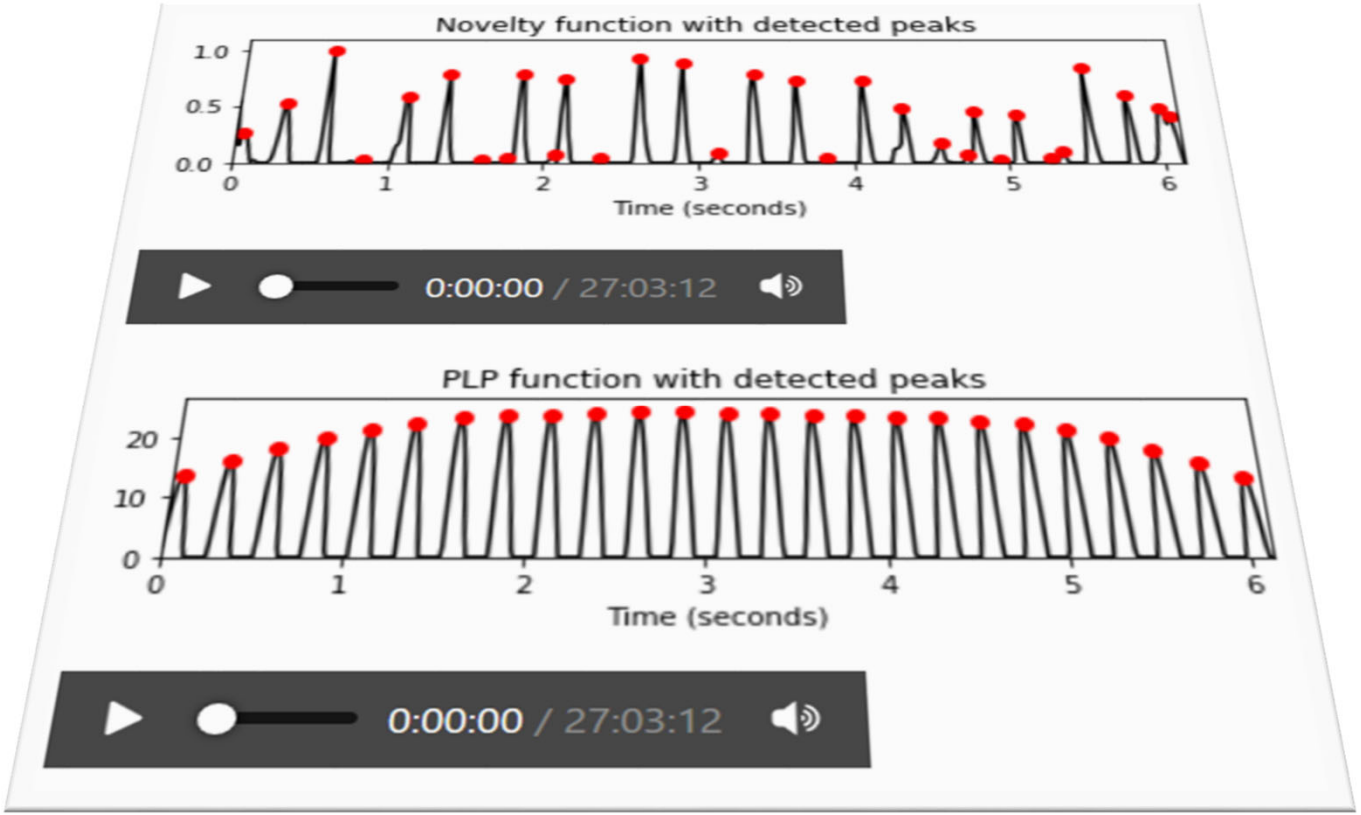

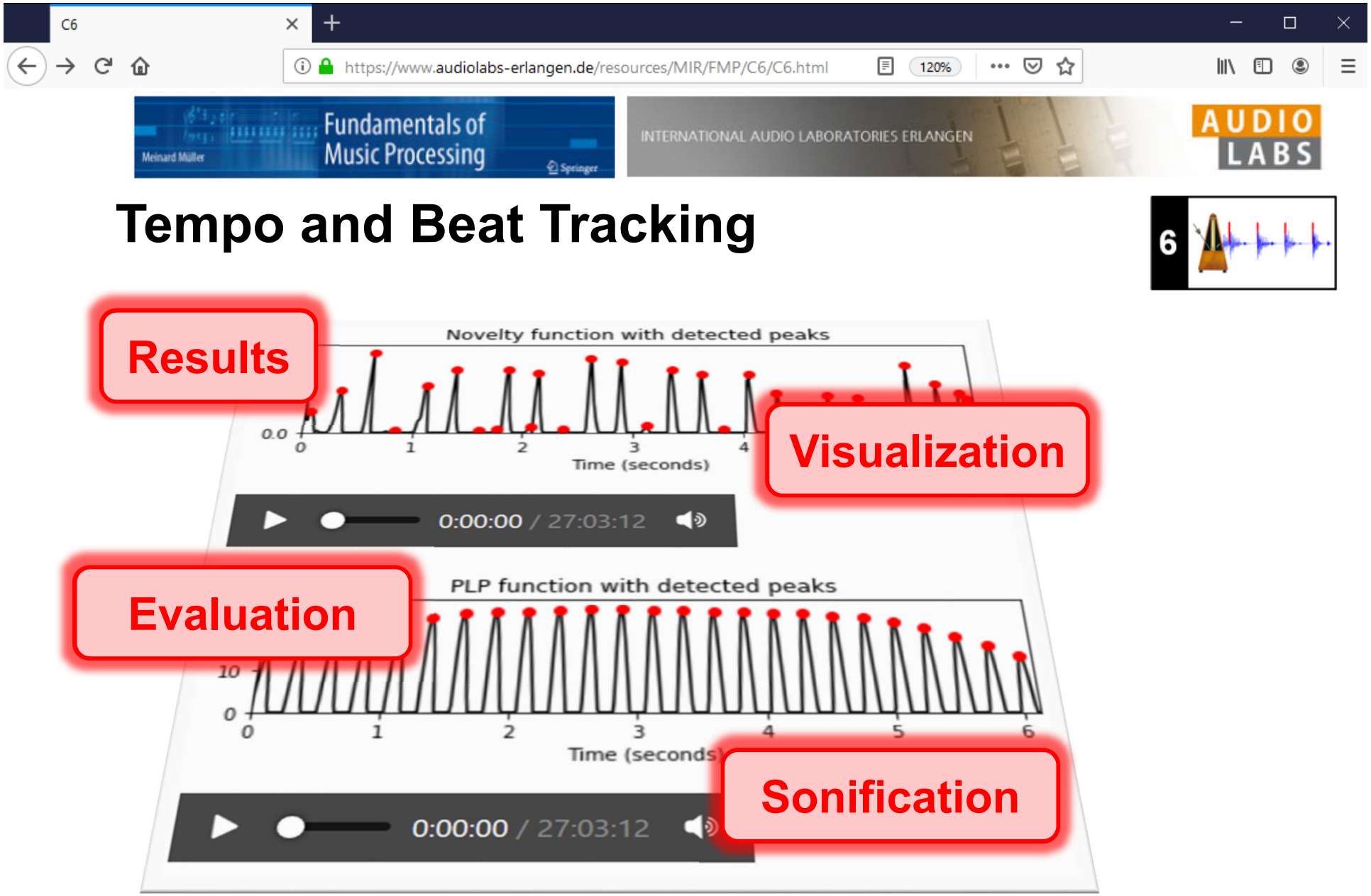

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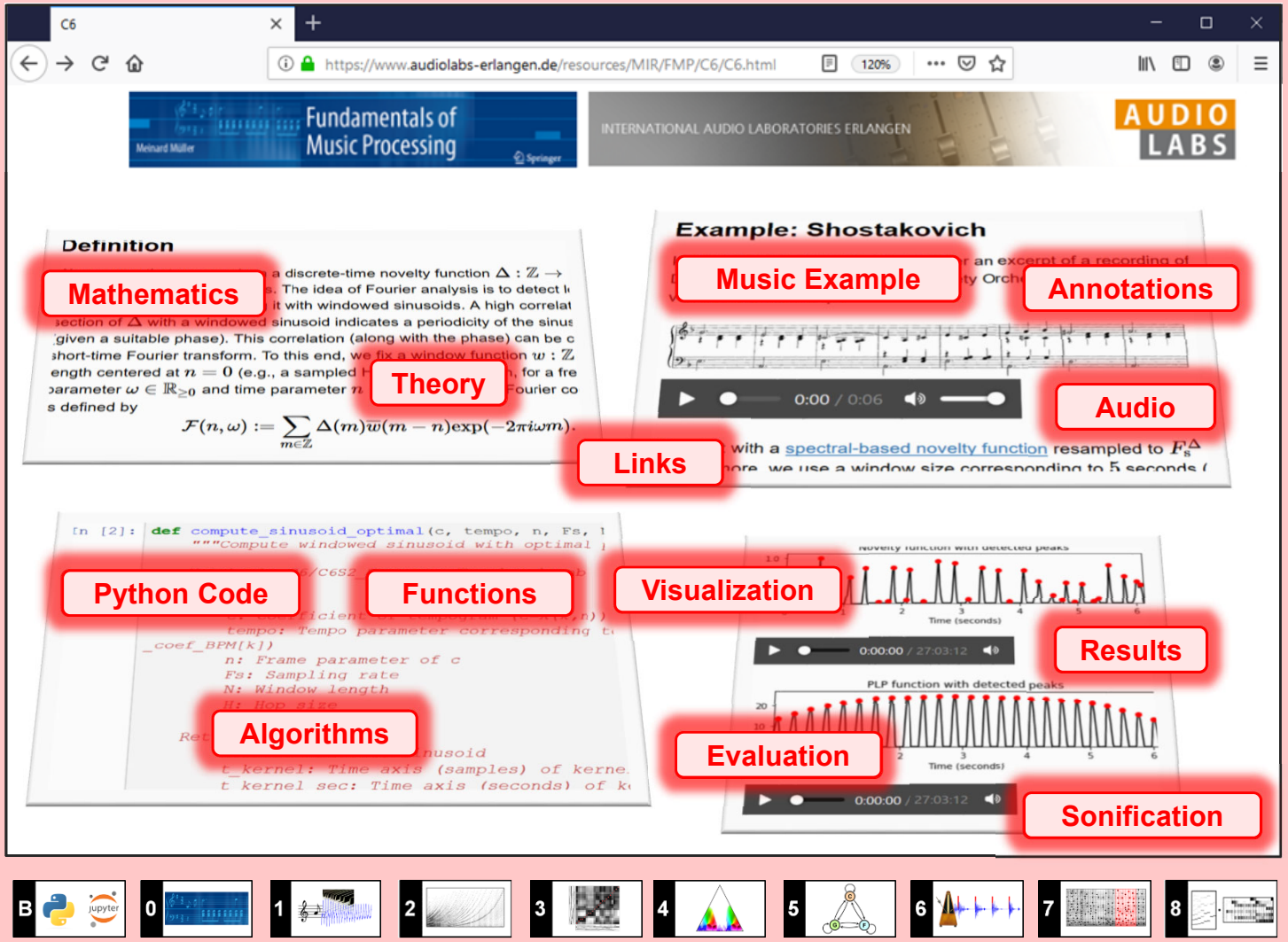
- Teaching
- Understanding
- Programming
- Baselines
- Research
- Multimedia



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Resources (Group Meinard Müller)

- FMP Notebooks:

  https://www.audiolabs-erlangen.de/FMP

- libfmp:

  https://github.com/meinardmueller/libfmp

- synctoolbox:

  https://github.com/meinardmueller/synctoolbox

- libtsm:

  https://github.com/meinardmueller/libtsm

- Preparation Course Python (PCP) Notebooks:

  https://www.audiolabs-erlangen.de/resources/MIR/PCP/PCP.html

  https://github.com/meinardmueller/PCP

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Resources

- librosa:

  https://librosa.org/

- madmom:

  https://github.com/CPJKU/madmom

- Essentia Python tutorial:

  https://essentia.upf.edu/essentia_python_tutorial.html

- mirdata:

  https://github.com/mir-dataset-loaders/mirdata

- open-unmix:

  https://github.com/sigsep/open-unmix-pytorch

- Open Source Tools & Data for Music Source Separation:

  https://source-separation.github.io/tutorial/landing.html

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