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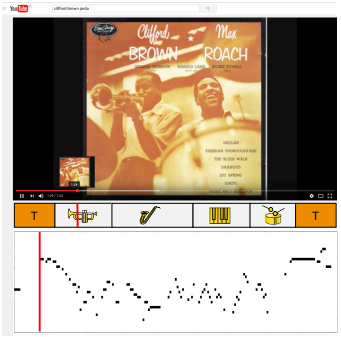
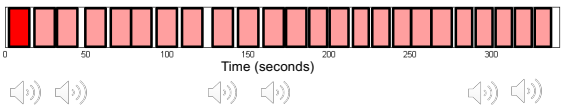
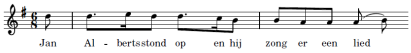


Music Structure Analysis

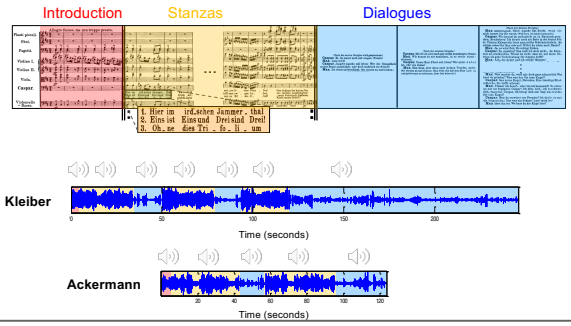
- **General Goal:**
  Divide an audio recording into temporal segments corresponding to musical parts and group these segments into musically meaningful categories.
- **Examples:**
  - Stanzas of a folk song
  - Intro, verse, chorus, bridge, outro sections of a pop song
  - Exposition, development, recapitulation, coda of a sonata
  - Musical form ABACADA … of a rondo
  - Solo parts in a jazz recording

Example: Folk Song
Nederlandse Liederenbank

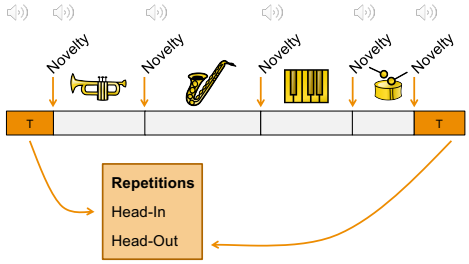




Example: Opera
Weber, Song (No. 4) from “Der Freischütz”

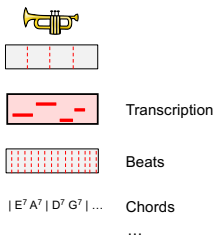


Example: Jazz Recording
Clifford Brown - Jordu



Instrument Comics by H. Grohganz: https://mir.sechsachtel.de/orchpics/

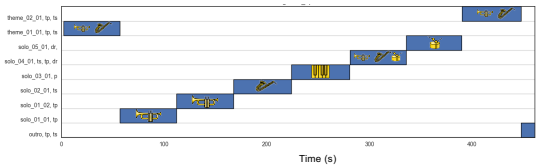
Weimar Jazz Database (WJD)
http://jazzomat.hfm-weimar.de



- 456 transcribed jazz solos of monophonic instruments.
- Transcriptions specify a musical pitch for physical time instances.
- 810 min. of audio recordings.
- **Soon available:** Track structure

Thanks to the Jazzomat research team: M. Pfleiderer, K. Frieler, J. Abeßer, W.-G. Zaddach

Annotation Example from the WJD
Clifford Brown - Jordu



Song-Centric Annotations:
- Chorus boundaries
- Solo choruses
- Theme repetitions

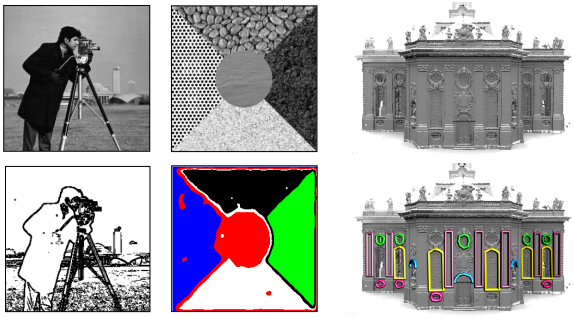
Many Thanks to Moritz Berendes and Julian Reck!

Music Structure Analysis

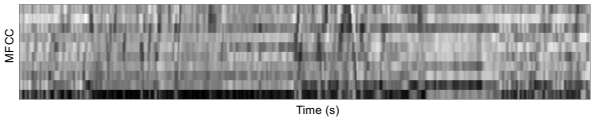
- Main principles:
  - **Repetition**-based Structure Analysis
  - **Homogeneity**-based Structure Analysis
  - **Novelty**-based Structure Analysis

Music Structure Analysis
Image Analogy

Novelty | Homogeneity | Repetition

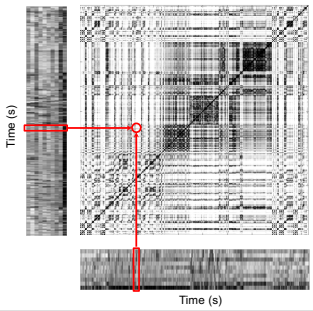


Self-Similarity Matrix
1. Step: Extract Audio Features



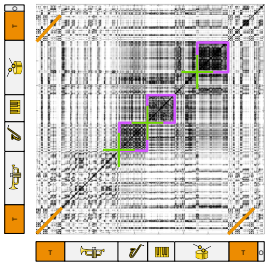
- Mel Frequency Cepstral Coefficients (MFCC) correlate to the timbre.

Self-Similarity Matrix
2. Step: Calculate Pairwise Similarity

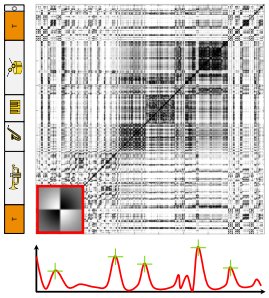


Self-Similarity Matrix
Analysis

- Repetitions:
  Path-like structures
- Homogeneity:
  Block-like structures
- Novelty:
  Corners



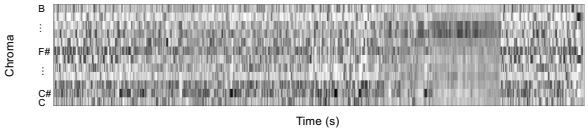
Self-Similarity Matrix
Novelty Detection



Idea (Foote):

Use checkerboard-like kernel function to detect corner points on main diagonal of SSM.

Self-Similarity Matrix
Chroma Features



- Chroma Feature correlate to harmonic and melodic progressions.

Self-Similarity Matrix
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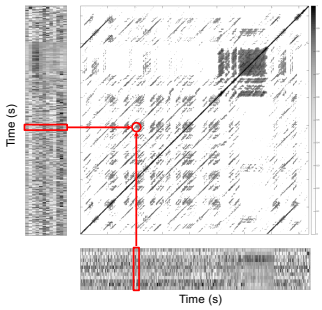
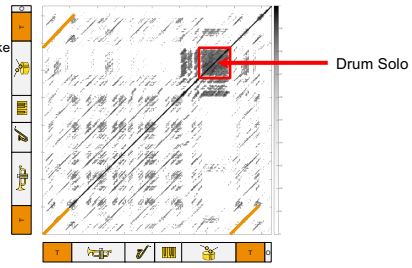


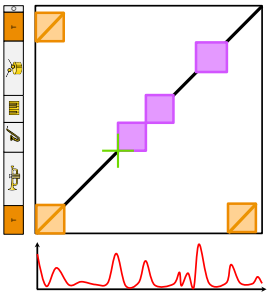
Self-Similarity Matrix
Chroma Features

- Chroma instead of MFCC
- Repetitions result in path-like structures
- Head-In and Head-Out



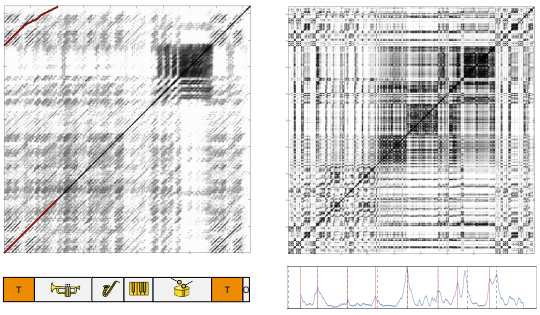
Self-Similarity Matrix
Recap

- Repetitions:
  Path-like structures
- Homogeneity:
  Block-like structures
- Novelty:
  Corners
- Features are important!



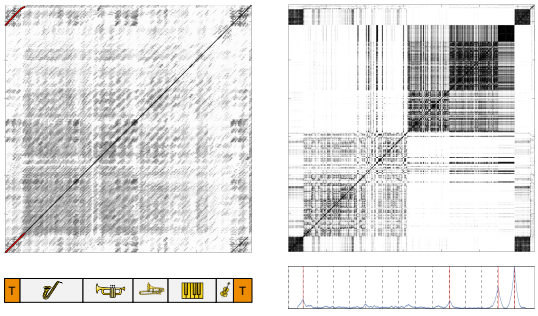
Audio Examples
Clifford Brown – Jordu

Chroma MFCC



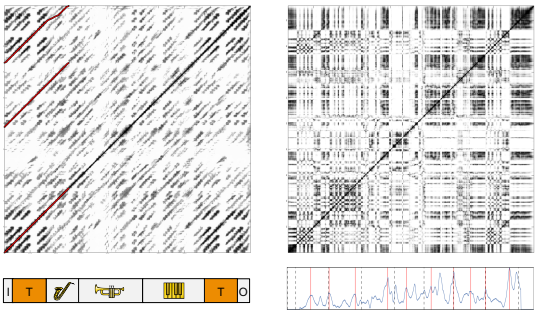
Audio Examples
John Coltrane – Blue Trane

Chroma MFCC



Audio Examples
Herbie Hancock – Maiden Voyage

Chroma MFCC



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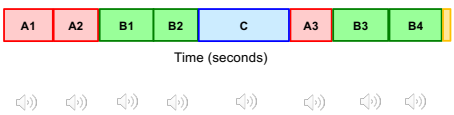

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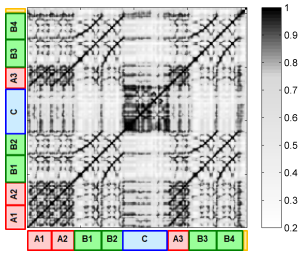

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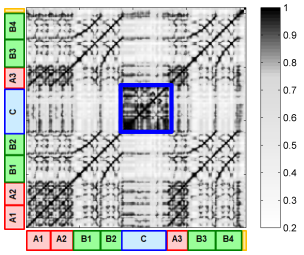

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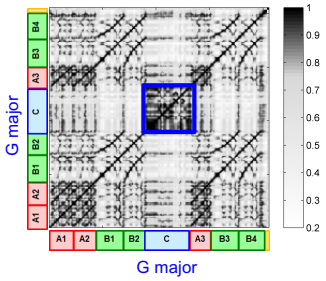

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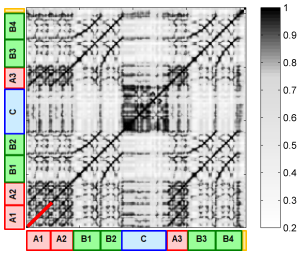

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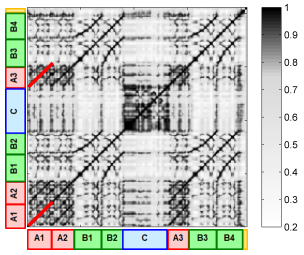

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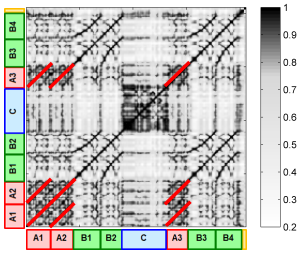

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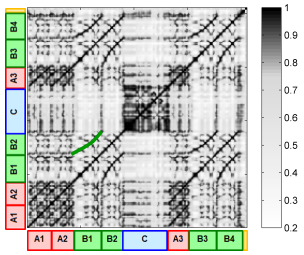

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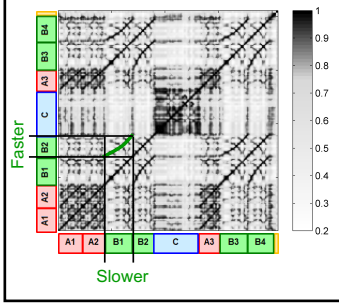

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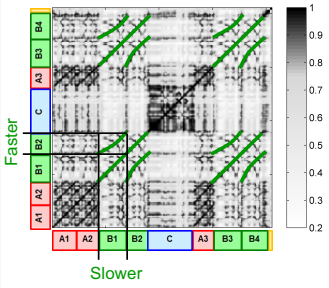

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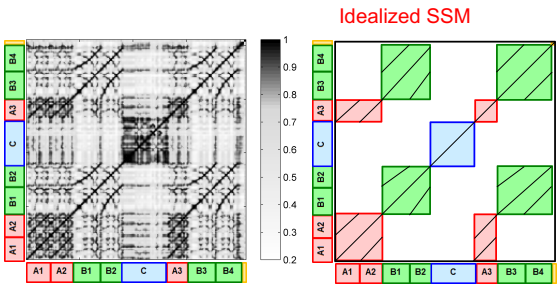

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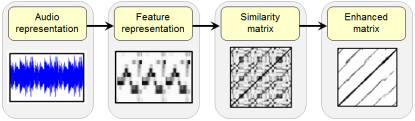

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SM Toolbox: MATLAB Implementations for Computing and Enhancing Similarity Matrices

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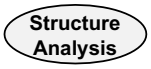
Demo

Code: https://github.com/stefan-balke/mpa-exc

Conclusions



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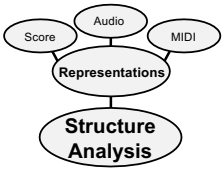

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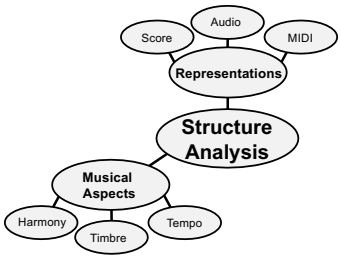

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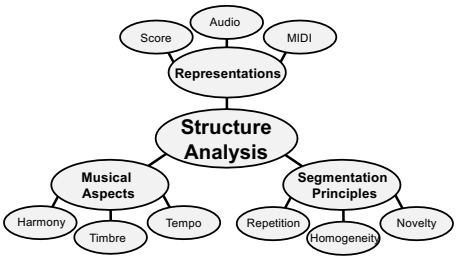

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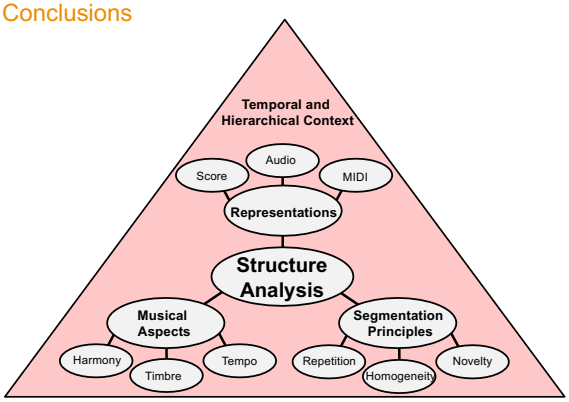

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