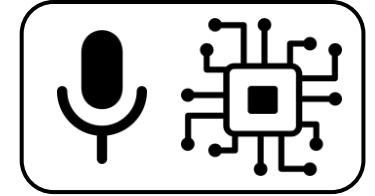


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# Computational Analysis of Sound and Music

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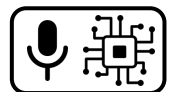


## Music Information Retrieval – Music Transcription 1/2

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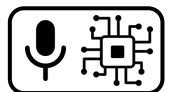


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# Outline

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- **Pitch Tracking**



# Pitch Detection

## Introduction

- Pitch
  - Perceptual sound attribute
  - Allows ordering from low to high in a frequency-related scale

- Pitch detection → Two Sub-tasks

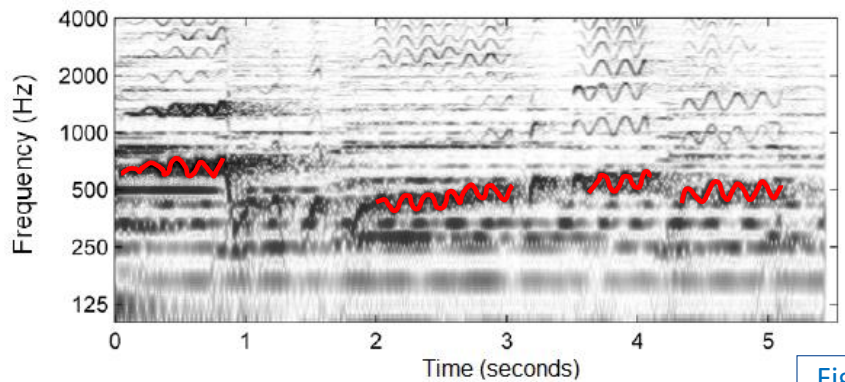
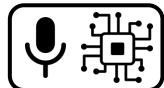


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# Pitch Detection

## Introduction

- Application Scenarios
  - Music Instrument Tuning
  - Music Education
  - Music Transcription
  - Bioacoustics (e.g., bird call recognition)



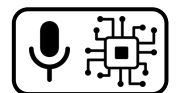
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Fig-M3-3



Fig-M3-4



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# Pitch Detection

## Complexity Levels

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- Pitch detection of isolated monophonic instruments



Aud-M3-1

- Predominant melody extraction in polyphonic music



Aud-M3-2

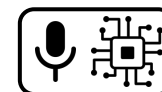
- Polyphonic melody extraction



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Increasing Difficulty



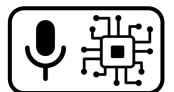
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# Pitch Detection

## Traditional Method

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- MELODIA [Salamon & Gomez, 2012]
  - Melody extraction from polyphonic music
- Steps
  - Sinusoid Extraction
    - Equal loudness filter
    - STFT
    - Detection of predominant peaks
    - Frequency refinement via instantaneous frequency (IF)



# Pitch Detection

## Traditional Method

- Steps
  - Harmonic summation
    - Sum over possible harmonic frequencies
    - Frequencies → pitch candidates

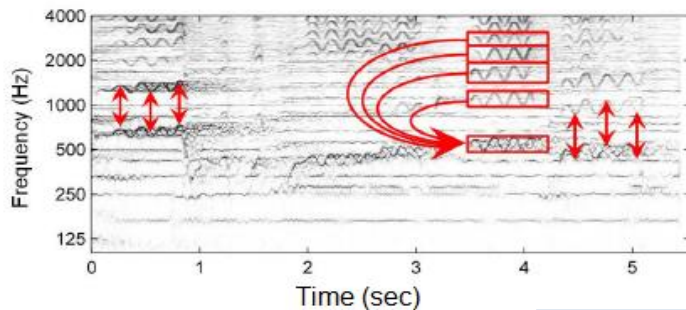
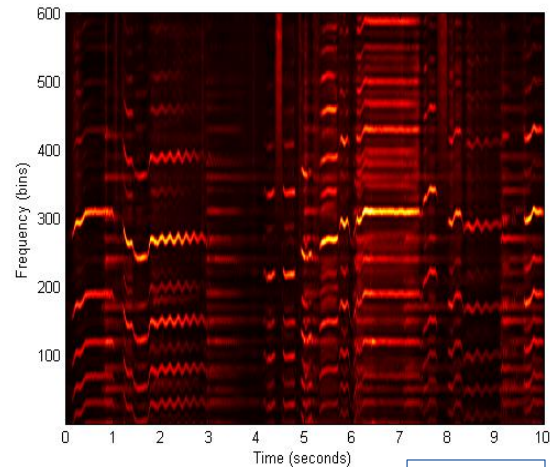
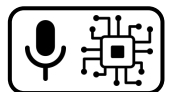


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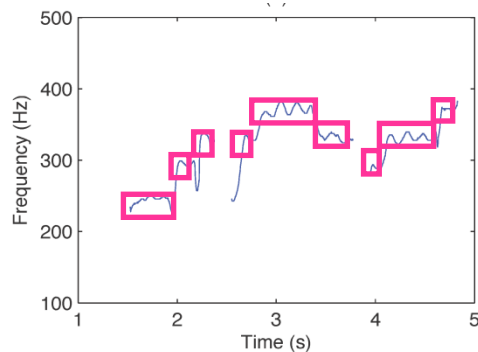
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# Pitch Detection

## Traditional Method

- Steps
  - Pitch contour creation & melody selection
    - Auditory streaming cues → group peaks to continuous paths (pitch contours)
    - Select melody contours using features (e.g. average pitch / salience, vibrato)
    - Note formation (one pitch value)

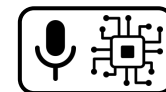


Pitch contour(s)



Note events

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# Pitch Detection

## Traditional Method

- [Melodia](#) plugin available for Sonic Visualiser

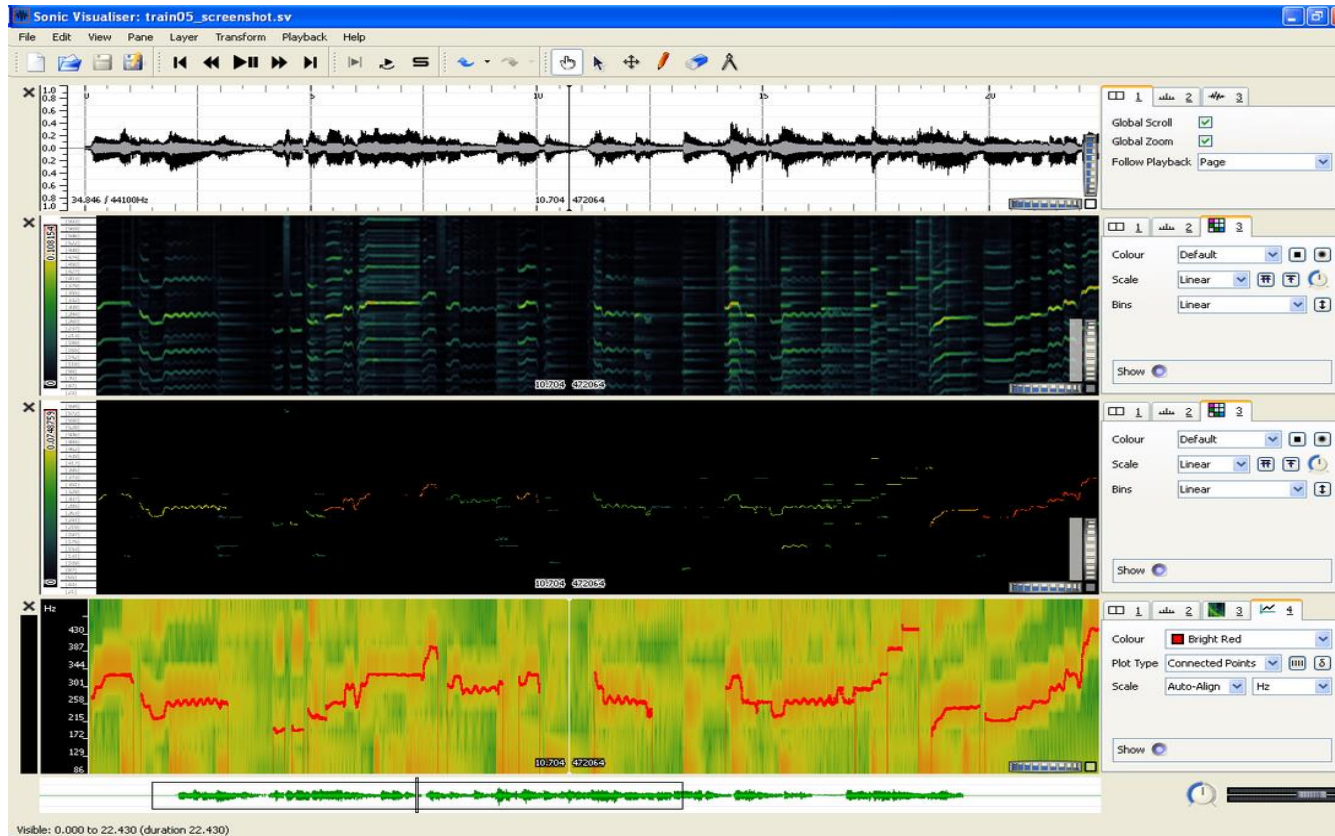
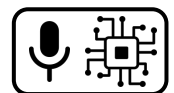


Fig-M3-6



# Pitch Detection

## DL-based Method

- CREPE (Convolutional Representation for Pitch Estimation) [Kim et al., 2018]
  - Monophonic pitch tracker
  - End-to-end modeling
    - Audio samples → pitch likelihoods
    - 20 cent resolution (5 pitch bins per semitones)

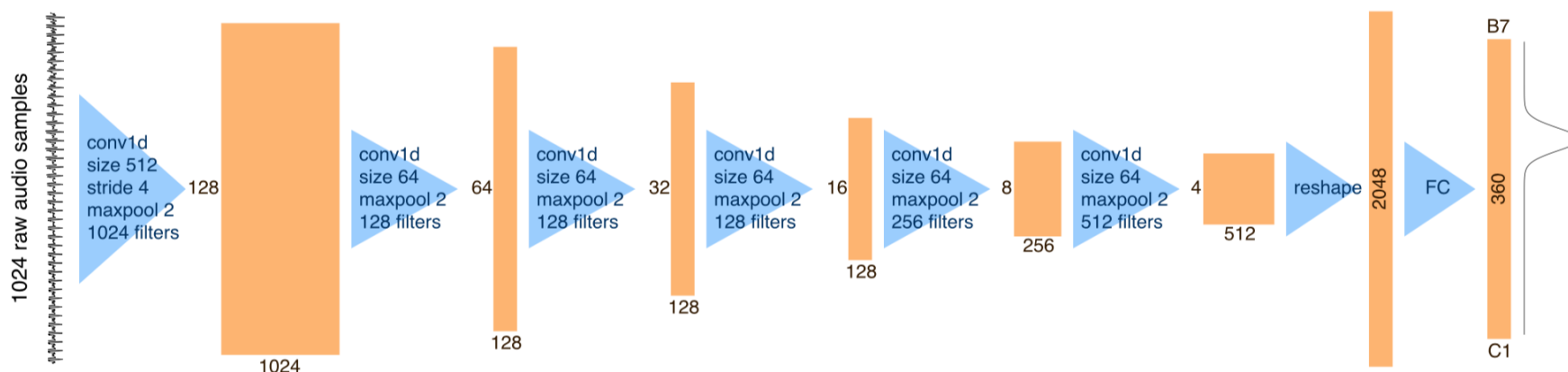


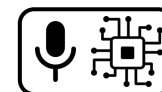
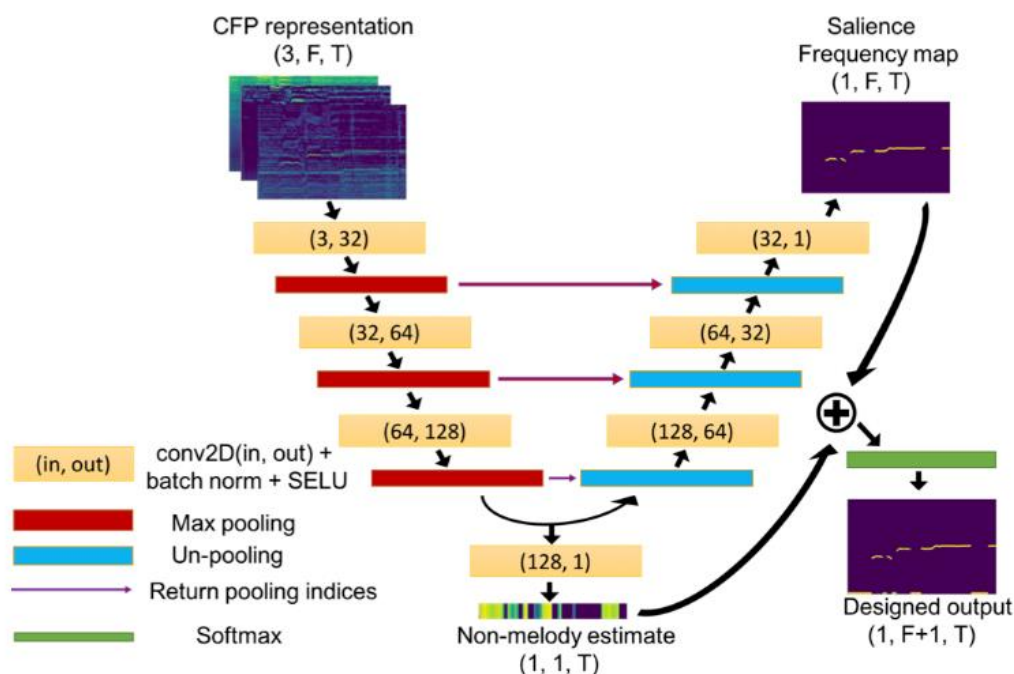
Fig-M3-7



# Pitch Detection

## DL-based Method

- Auto-encoder structure (U-Net) [Hsieh et al., 2019]
  - Time-frequency representations (2D)  $\rightarrow$  pitch saliency map (2D)
  - (Bottleneck) embedding encodes pitch voicing (melody activity)



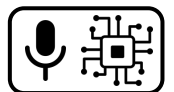
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# Programming session

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Fig-A2-13



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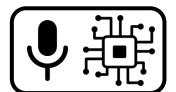
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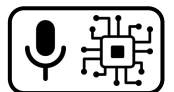
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