

# Auditory Scene Recognition Using Textual Knowledge

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# INTRODUCTION

What is Auditory Scene Recognition(ASR)?

- ▶ Recognizing context of audio clips
- ▶ Usually from a set of predefined class labels
- ▶ Example: play pause resume stop

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## Possible Usage

- ▶ Crime Investigation
- ▶ Cellphone Volume Adjustment

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## Related Works

- ▶ Scene Detection(Video)
- ▶ Scene Detection(Audio)
- ▶ Event Detection(Audio)

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# APPROACH

## Problem Definition:

*Input:* An audio clip

*Output:* The most likely scene where the audio clip was recorded, chosen from a given set.

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## Intuition:

We assume scenes are composed of multiple primitive events.

By using textual knowledge to construct Scene-Event Relation, we only need to detect events, and refer back to that relation to find out the most likely scene.



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## Roadmap:

- ▶ Build Vocabulary
- ▶ Construct Scene Event Map
- ▶ Feature Extraction for events
- ▶ Model Building
- ▶ Scene Recognition

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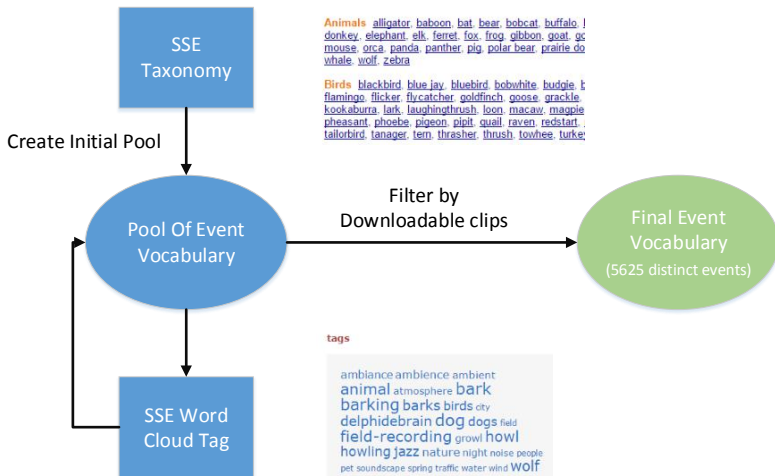
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Example of Events

*Vehicle, dog bark, laughter, applause, phone ring*

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Example:

FADE IN:

EXT. TWO-LANE HIGHWAY - SUNRISE

A dishevelled WOMAN in a business suit (27) runs down a lonely highway in Texas hill country, moving desperately through the thick morning fog. She's carrying a VHS cassette. The sounds of her breathing and SHOES HITTING the PAVEMENT ECHO into the mist.



TWO-LANE HIGHWAY - SUNRISE



HIGHWAY

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Example of scene:

*Plane, Bus stop, theatre, bar, office*

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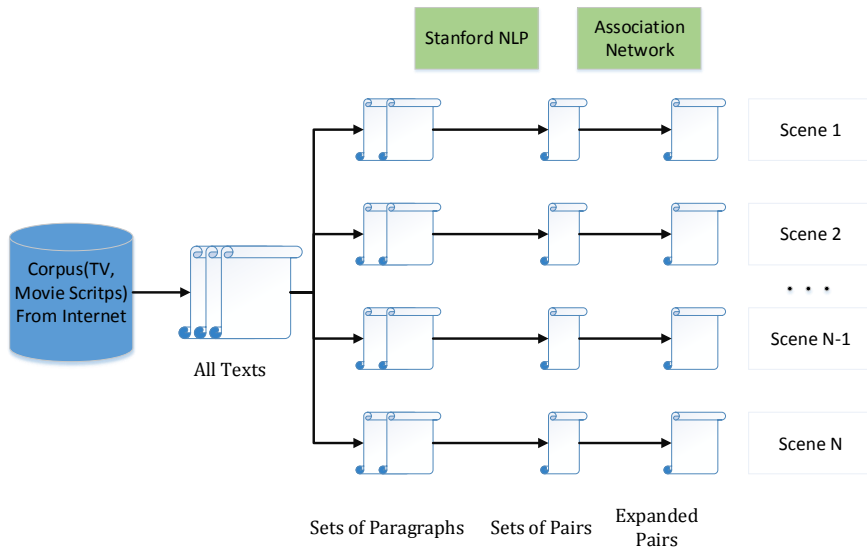
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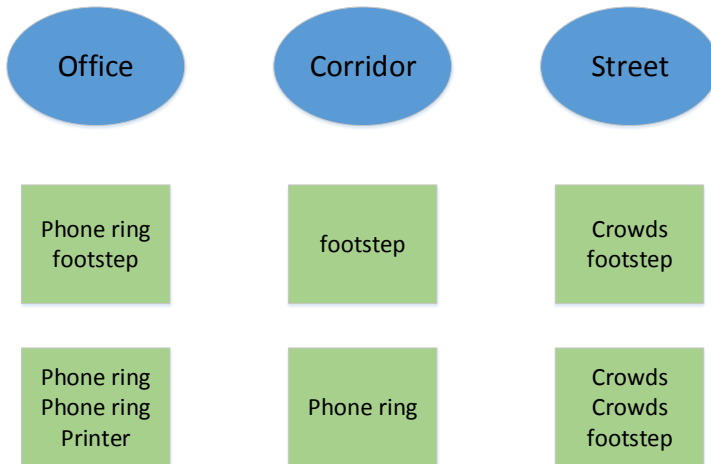
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Corridor	0.301	0.176	0	0
Street	0	0.229	0.621	0

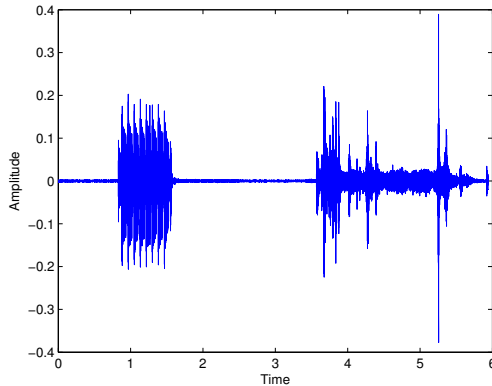
Table: TFIDF value for each Scene-Event pairs

# APPROACH - FEATURE EXTRACTION FOR EVENTS

- ▶ **Spectrogram**
- ▶ Framing and Fast Fourier Transform
- ▶ Mel-frequency Analysis
- ▶ Cepstral Analysis

# SPECTROGRAM

Here is the spectrogram of the example audio:



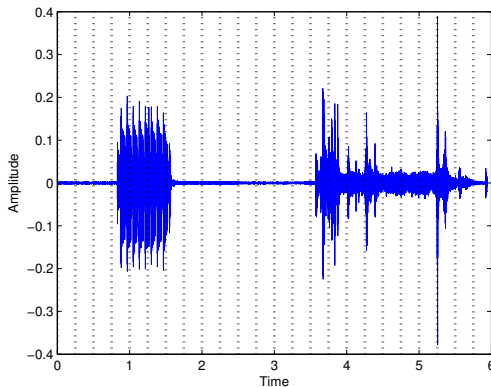
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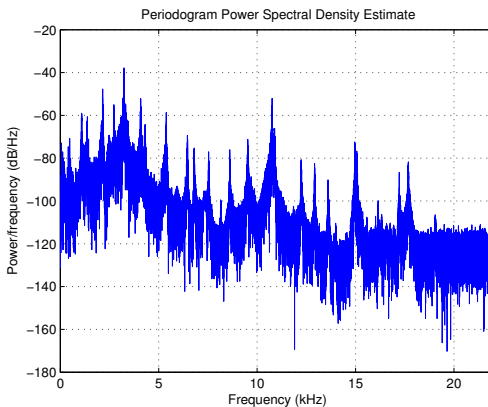
# FRAMING AND FAST FOURIER TRANSFORM

Frame the audio and apply FFT on each frame.



# FRAMING AND FAST FOURIER TRANSFORM

Here is the spectrum of example audio in 0-2s.

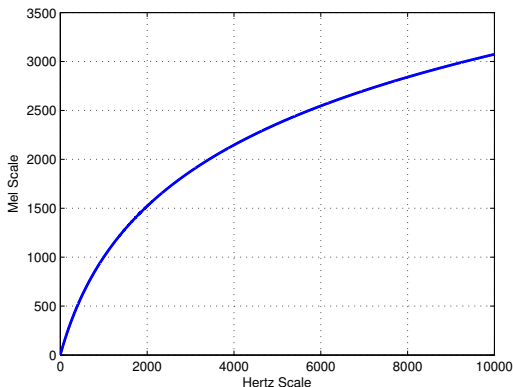


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# MEL-FREQUENCY ANALYSIS

Perceptually, the difference between 500-1000Hz is different from 5000-5500Hz.

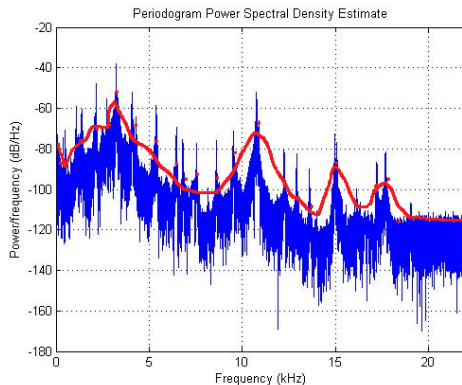


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# CEPSTRAL ANALYSIS

Get the envelope from spectrum.



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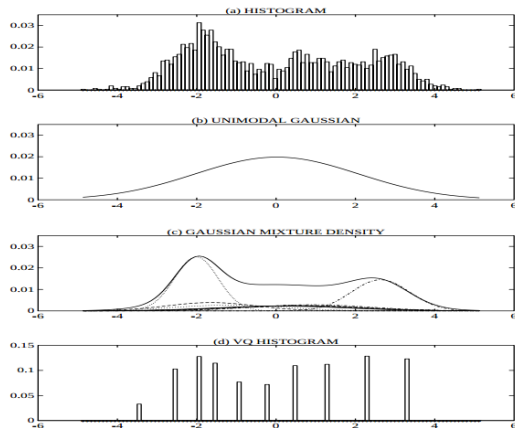
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- ▶ **Model the Spectrum**
- ▶ Gaussian Mixture Model
- ▶ Training GMMs



# MODEL THE SPECTRUM

## A comparison of different models



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# GAUSSIAN MIXTURE MODEL

A model with multiple gaussian distribution

$$P(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k \times N(x|\mu_k, \sigma_k)$$

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# TRAINING GMMs

The features we extracted before are used here to train a GMM for each event.

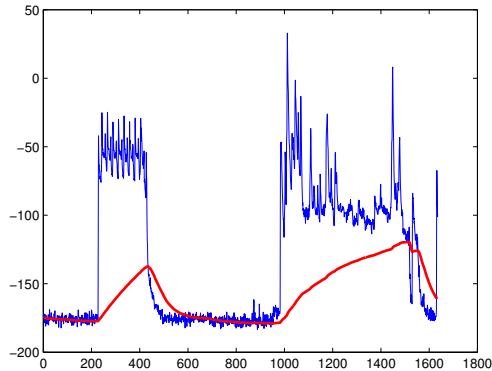
Expectation-Maximization(EM) algorithm are used to estimate the parameters.

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- ▶ Event Detection for Segments
- ▶ Infer Scene from Events

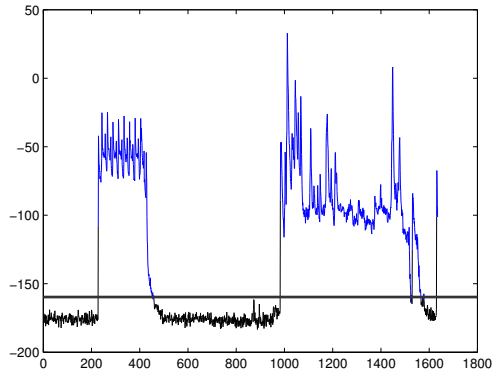
# AUDIO SEGMENTATION

We use a filter to smooth the frame energy



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Using the last value of smoothed line as threshold to segment:





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Exponential filter:

$$Y(n) = (1 - \alpha) \times Y(n - 1) + \alpha \times X(n)$$

Choosing  $\alpha$ :

$$\begin{cases} Y(n) \leq Y(n - 1) & \alpha = 1/50 \\ Y(n) > Y(n - 1) & \alpha = 1/500 \end{cases}$$

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# EVENT DETECTION FOR SEGMENTS

We apply GMMs to segments and find the events which have the highest score for features.

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# INFER SCENE FROM EVENTS

Use TFIDF scores as weight for voting.

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Assume we detect "Phone ring" and "Printer" in the example audio.

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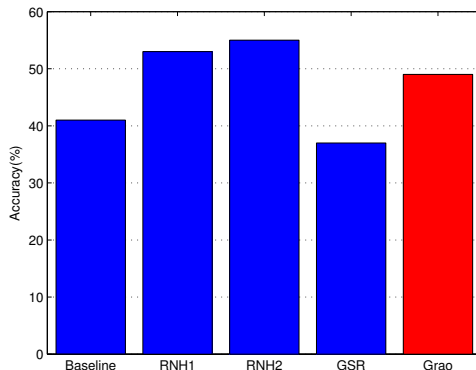
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We have performed a 5 scene classification task on our system and other 4 systems.

20 clips for each scene, and a five-fold cross validation are conducted for other four systems.



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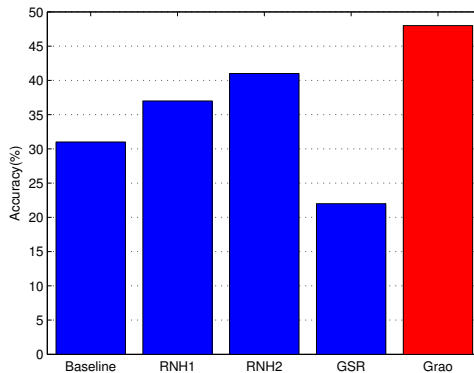
Table: Recognition Accuracy for 5 Audio Scenes

	bathroom	kitchen	office	restaurant	street	average
baseline	55%	25%	20%	50%	55%	41%
RNH1	55%	55%	35%	80%	40%	53%
RNH2	55%	45%	50%	70%	55%	55%
GSR	70%	15%	15%	75%	10%	37%
Grao	65%	35%	<b>75%</b>	5%	<b>65%</b>	49%



# EVALUATION

If "restaurant" was removed:



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# PROBLEMS AND IMPROVEMENTS

- ▶ Hard to control the quality of event vocabulary(Granularity of primitive events)
- ▶ Fail to detect multiple events occurring at the same time
- ▶ Perform bad under noisy environment.