# Sound and speech retrieval

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# Agenda

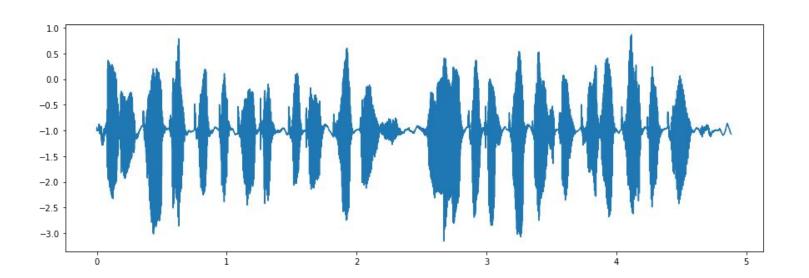
- Sound as a wave
- Music search
- Speech recognition

# What is sound and how humans perceive it?

**Hint**: frequencies

#### What is the sound?

Sound is a **vibration** that propagates through a transmission medium such as a gas, liquid or solid.

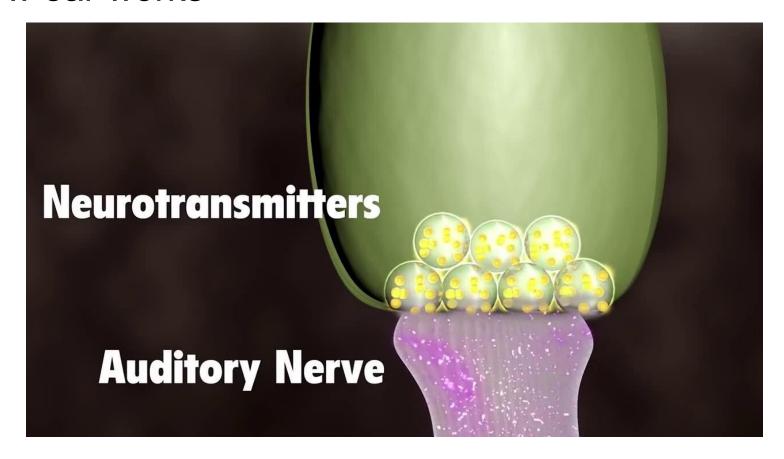


# Vinyl player





#### How ear works





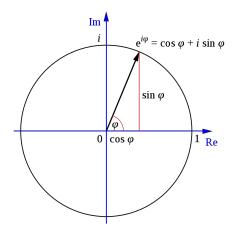
# How to repeat this in math?

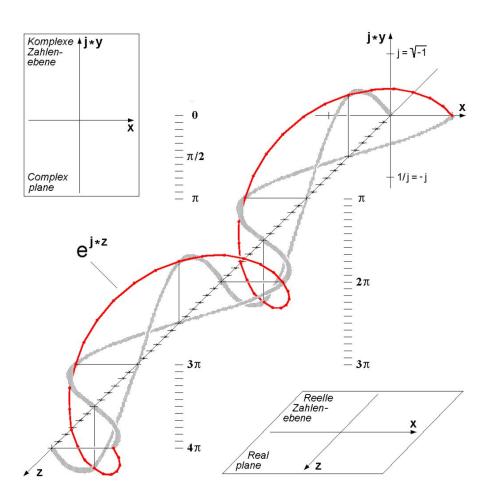
Hint: FT

Euler's identity to link complex exponent with

frequencies

$$e^{ix} = \cos x + i \sin x,$$





## **Fourier Transforms**

$$FT: \hat{f}(w) = \hat{f}(x)e^{\frac{2\pi i}{N}\omega}dx$$

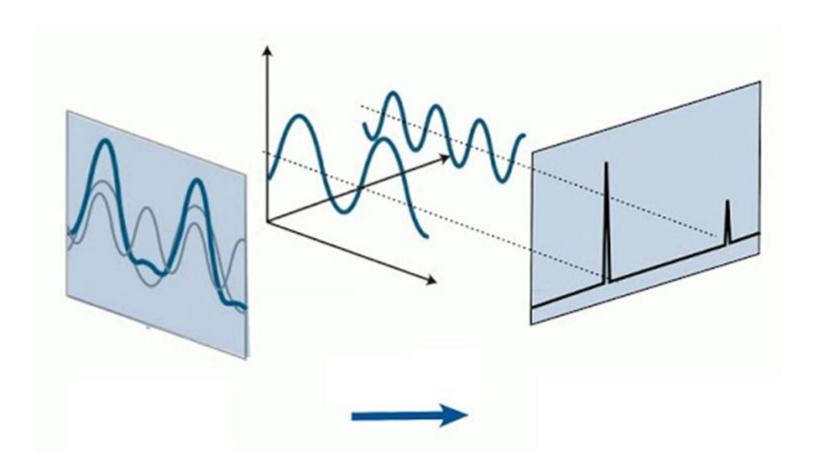
$$DTFT: X_{T}(\omega) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} f(nT)e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{M}\omega nT}$$

$$DTFT + window: X_{T}(\omega) = \sum_{n=0}^{M} f(nT)w(\frac{n}{M})e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{M}\omega nT}$$

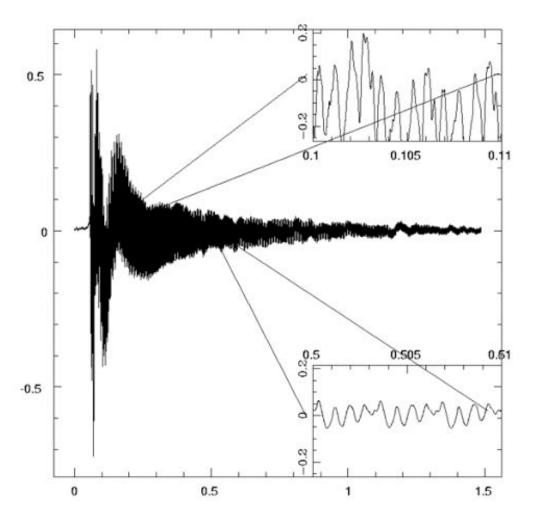
$$DFT: X_{T,N}(k) = X_{T}(\frac{k}{NT}) = k=0,1,...,N-1$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{M} f(nT)w(\frac{n}{M})e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{M}}$$

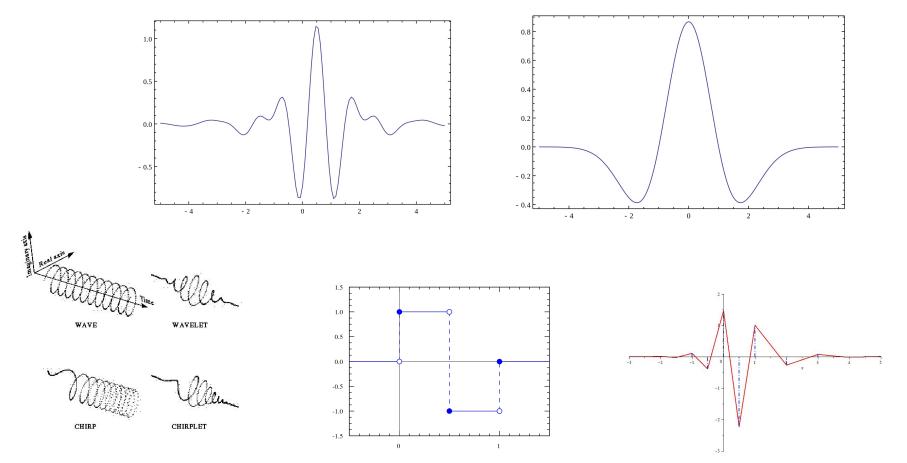
# Fourier transform



# Guitar pitch

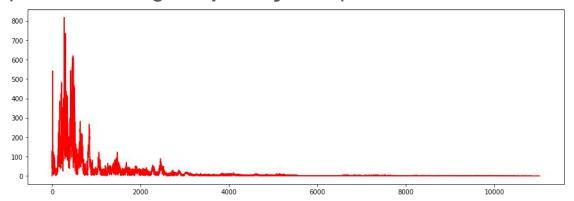


# Wavelets



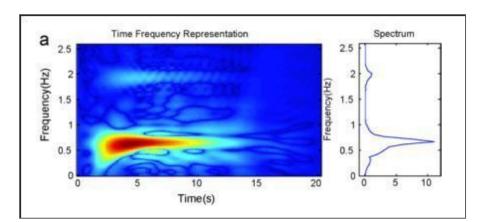
#### What is the sound for human?

We percept sound using **frequency** receptors. Each moment looks like this:



Also important — we perceive sounds in **log scale** 

Timeline is like this:

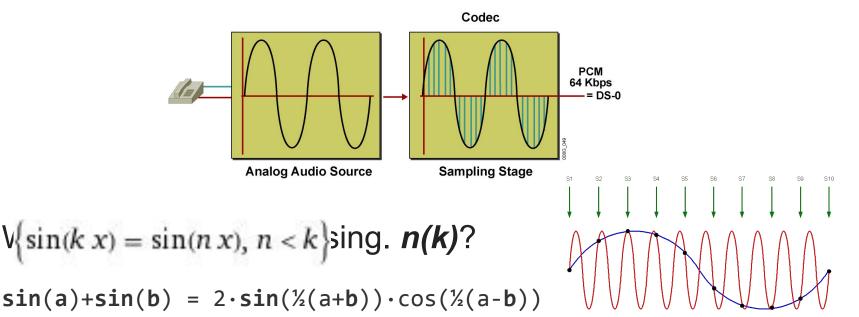


# Sound recording and playback

- Digital uncompressed sound consists of regular measurements of signal.
- Measurement frequency is managed using RATE parameter
  - 22050 means 22050 measurements per second (discretization)
- How accurate we measure in managed is tuned with format (quantization)
  - How many different amplitude values can be encoded
- Channels number of inputs/outputs (stereo=2, mono=1)
- BPS = RATE \* CHANNELS \* FORMAT
- Together this is PCM pulse code modulation

# Nyquist-Shannon (Kotelnikov) theorem

If a function **x(t)** contains **no** frequencies higher than **B** hertz, it is **completely determined** by giving its values at a series of points spaced **1/(2B)** seconds apart.



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# Takeaway:

Ok, machine can represent sound wave in human-like form with no information loss

# Music fingerprinting

#### Takeaway for exact search:

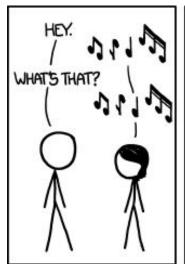
- 1. Find peaks on spectrogram
- 2. Use their relative positions in freq-time space as descriptors
- 3. Maximize descriptors intersection for the query and candidates

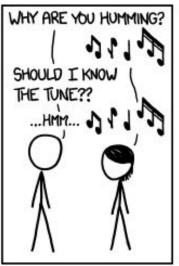
# Why?

- I like this song, I want to buy it
- Forensic (when was this song playing)
- Copyrights (see youtube or instagram policy)

## How to form a query

- 1. Exact sample
- 2. Humming





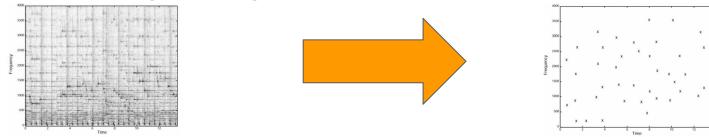




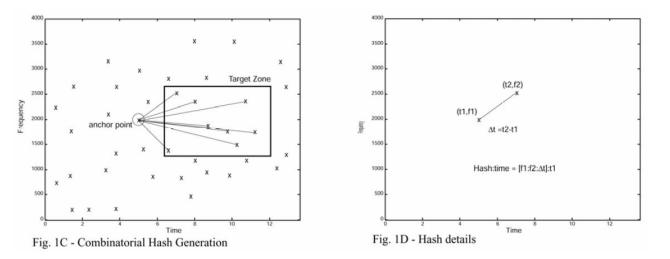


# **Shazam** exact match algorithm (1)

1. Robust spectrogram. (Log-scale bins of frequencies)



2. Build pairs for hashing (32bit): anchor point + other point from target zone.

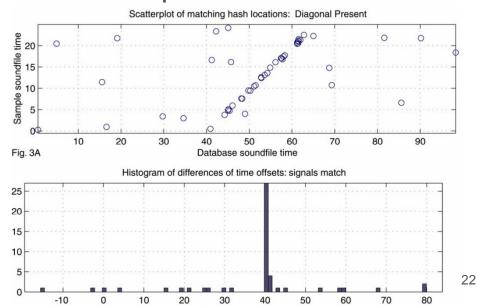


# Shazam algorithm (2)

3. Put those points to a hashmap.

Memory: [4B (hash) + 4B (val)] \* peaks.

- 4. Query for songs with a processed sample.
- 5. Plot a histogram of offsets (get times from HT, put them in bins), identify real offset



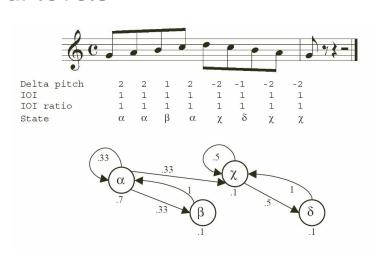
## Other fingerprinting approaches

Exact frequency and tempo are not always important:

- Zero-crossing rate
- Spectrum
- Envelope (<u>spectral flatness</u>, <u>frequency band</u>)
- ...

# **Query by Humming (QbH)**

- Detect coarse melodic contour, retrieve by string search
  - S=same note, U=up, D=down
  - E.g., Beethoven's 5th: SSDUSSD
- Allegro con brio (= 108)
- OR U/D/S but with five contour levels
- Add rhythm information
- Use beat information
- Use HMMs to represent song database
- Dynamic Time Warping (DTW)
  based algorithm,
  match waveform directly



# **Dynamic Time Warping**

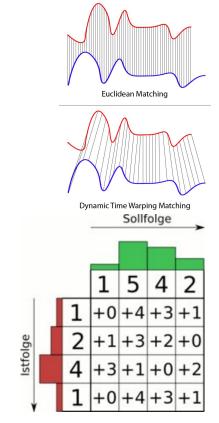
- Take to sequences of lengths N and M
- Build N\*M matrix d of distances (diffs)
- Build a matrix of deformation,

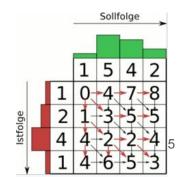
$$D_{i j} = d_{i j} + \min(D_{i-1 j}, D_{i-1 j-1}, D_{i j-1}).$$
 (3)

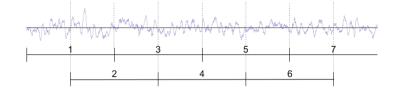
 Search for a path (1,1)-(N,M) with minimal average value weight.

$$DTW(Q,C) = min \left\{ rac{\sum\limits_{k=1}^{K} d(w_k)}{K} 
ight\}.$$
 (4)

Can give false positives







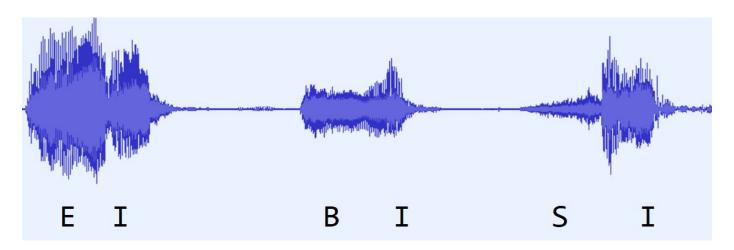
# Google Hum to search

- Convolutional net to build a <u>fingerprint-based from 8</u> <u>seconds</u> with 0.5 sec. step
- Inaccurate vector search with space partitioning and vector quantization
- Retrieve all candidate's fingerprints
  - Accurate match on the whole set of candidates' embeddings

# Speech (to text) processing

#### Acoustic model

As text consist of letters, speech consists of phonemes.



AM: spectrum → phoneme

## Language model (in recognition)

Probabilistic model that predicts probability of a word given a sequence of phonemes.

Similar model is used to model sentences of words.

### Speech generation

- 1) Text preprocessing
  - a) Number to text
  - b) Abbreviations to text
  - c) Typo fix
- 2) Split text into phrases (punctuation, constructions)
- 3) Phonetic construction (language model)
  - a) queue [kju]
  - b) Арбалетчиков
    - i) a0 r b a0 lj e1 t ch i0 k o0 v

# Speech generation

- 1) Accents are set
  - a) Using a dictionary
  - b) Using rules
  - c) Using statistics (speaker examples)
- Reversed acoustic model is used to consider surrounding
- 3) **Timbre** is generation with **vocoder** 
  - a) or RNNs

