ECEN 4/5532: Digital Signal Processing Lab

Lecture Notes: Lab 2

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Lab 2 Overview

- Digital signal processing methods for content-based music information retrieval.
- We will explore **higher** level musical features:
 - 1. Rhythm
 - 2. Tonality and Chroma
- In lab 3, we are going to **classify** tracks according to the **features** discussed:



Spectral decomposition

• The mfcc measured in **decibels** (dB) is defined by:

$$10\log_{10}(\text{mfcc})$$

Background

Given two vectors of attributes or features:

$$\cos(\theta) = \frac{\langle a,b\rangle}{\|a\|\|b\|} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2} \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n b_i^2}}$$
 measure of similarity

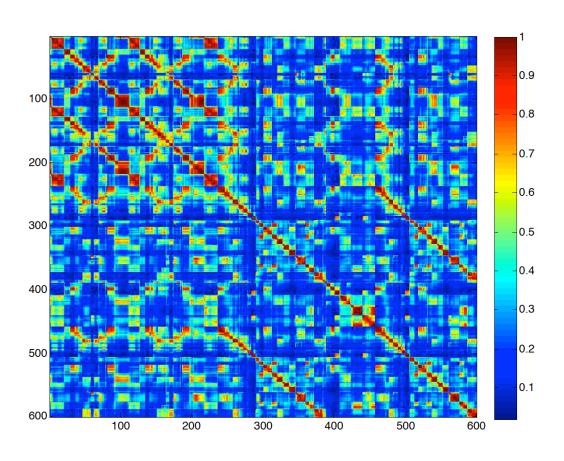
• The resulting similarity ranges from -1 meaning exactly opposite, to 1 meaning exactly the same, with 0 indicating orthogonality, and in-between values indicating intermediate similarity or dissimilarity.

Similarity Matrix

• S(i,j) measures the **cosine** of the angle between the spectral signatures of frames i and j:

$$S(i,j) = \frac{\langle mfcc(:,i), mfcc(:,j) \rangle}{\|mfcc(:,i)\|\| mfcc(:,j)\|} = \sum_{k=1}^{nbanks} \frac{mfcc(k,i) mfcc(k,j)}{\|mfcc(:,i)\|\| mfcc(:,j)\|}.$$

Example of a Similarity Matrix



Rhythm

• The presence of **repetitive patterns** in the temporal structure of music.

• We will compute a vector B such that B(l) quantifies the presence of similar spectral patterns for **frames** that are l frames apart.

• The lag associated with the **largest** entry in the array B is a good candidate for the period in the rhythmic structure.

A First Estimate of the Rhythm

$$B(l) = \frac{1}{N_f - l} \sum_{n=1}^{N_f - l} S(n, n+l), \quad l = 0, \dots, N_f - 1$$
entries on the *l*-th upper diagonal

A Better Estimate of the Rhythm

- Basic Idea:
 - A lag l will be a good candidate for a rhythmic period, if there are many i and j such that if S(i, j) is large then S(i, j + l) is also large.

$$AR(l) = \frac{1}{N_f(N_f - l)} \sum_{i=1}^{N_f} \sum_{j=1}^{N_f - l} S(i, j) S(i, j + l), \quad l = 0, \dots, N_f - 1.$$

A Better Estimate of the Rhythm

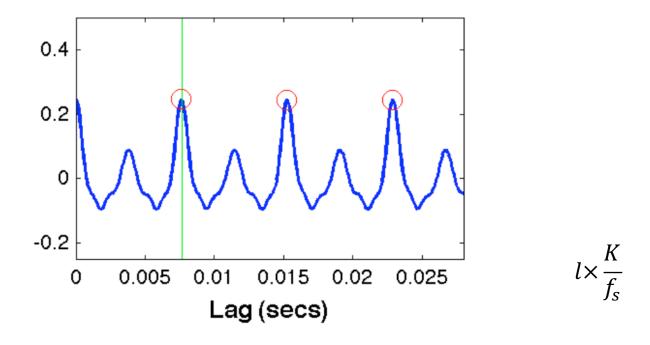


Figure 2: Rhythm index AR(l)as a function of the lag l

Rhythmic Variations Over Time

• Consider short time windows formed by 20 frames:

$$AR(l, m) = \frac{1}{20(20-l)} \sum_{i=1}^{20} \sum_{j=1}^{20-l} S(i+m*20, j+m*20) S(i+m*20, j+m*20+l),$$
 for $l=0,\ldots,19$, and $m=0,\ldots,N_f/20-1$.

Norm and Inner Product in MATLAB

```
>> v1 = [1;2;3]
v1 =
>> v2 = [3;4;5]
v2 =
>> v1'*v2
ans =
    26
>> dot(v1,v2)
ans =
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Norm and Inner Product in MATLAB

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>> v1 = [1;2;3]
v1 =
>> norm(v1)
ans =
    3.7417
>> sqrt(v1'*v1)
ans =
    3.7417
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