

# Automatic Tagging Using Deep Convolutional Neural Networks

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# Problem definition

What is auto-tagging?

## Tags

Descriptive keywords that people (just) put on music

- Multi-label nature
  - E.g. {*rock, guitar, drive, 90's*}
- Music tags include Genres (rock, pop, alternative, indie), Instruments (vocalists, guitar, violin), Emotions (mellow, chill), Activities (party, drive), Eras (00's, 90's, 80's).
- Collaboratively created (Last.fm [↗](#)) → noisy and ill-defined (of course)
  - false negative
  - synonyms (vocal/vocals/vocalist/vocalists/voice/voices. guitar/guitars)
  - popularity bias
  - typo (harpsicord)
  - irrelevant tags (abcd, ilikeit, fav)

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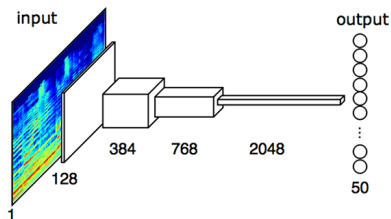
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- Multi-label classification
- Criteria: AUC-ROC (Area Under an ROC Curve)
  - $0.5 \leq \text{AUC-ROC} \leq 1.0$
  - Robust to unbalanced datasets
  - Higher if lower false positive rate
  - Higher if higher true positive rate

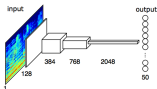
# The proposed architectures



- $1 \times 96 \times 1366$  melgram  $\rightarrow$  conv's/pooling's  $\rightarrow 2048 \times 1 \times 1$
- All ReLU
- All  $3 \times 3$  convolutions
- 2048 feature maps at the end
- 3,4,5,6,7 layers

# Assumptions

Why (I think) would it work?



conv-MP-conv-MP-conv-MP..

- $N \times M$  Convolution: There are some useful patterns in input and feature maps that are local, location-invariant, and equal or smaller than  $N \times M$ .
- $L \times K$  Max-Pooling: We are generous up to  $L \times K$  so we allow variances within this range.

Which means,

We see *big picture*, some macroscopic patterns

...assuming/hoping that they are related to *tag*

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	MTT	MSD
# tracks	25k	214K (out of total 1M)
# songs	5-6k	214K (out of total 1M)
Length	29.1s	30-60s
Benchmarks	10+	0
Labels	Tags, genres	Tags, genres, EchoNest features, bag-of-word lyrics,...

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For	Dataset	Specificaions
Input representation	MTT	STFT/MFCC/Melgram
# Layers	MTT	3/4/5/6/7
Benchmark	MTT	FCN-4 vs 5 previous methods
# Layers <sup>1</sup>	MSD	3/4/5
# Layers <sup>2</sup>	MSD	3/4/5, Narrower structure

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<sup>1</sup>Different from the paper

<sup>2</sup>Not in the paper



# Experiments and discussions

## MagnaTagATune - Input representations

- Same depth ( $l=4$ ), melgram>MFCC>STFT
  - melgram: 96 mel-frequency bins
  - STFT: 128 frequency bins
  - MFCC: 90 (30 MFCC, 30 MFCCd, 30 MFCCdd)

Methods	AUC
FCN-4, mel-spectrogram	<b>.894</b>
FCN-4, STFT	.846
FCN-4, MFCC	.862

- Still, ConvNet may outperform frequency aggregation than mel-frequency (if there's more data). But not yet.
- ConvNet outperformed MFCC

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MagnaTagATune - Number of layers

Methods	AUC
FCN-3, mel-spectrogram	.852
FCN-4, mel-spectrogram	<b>.894</b>
FCN-5, mel-spectrogram	.890
FCN-4, STFT	.846
FCN-4, MFCC	.862

- FCN-4 > FCN-3: Depth worked!
- FCN-4 > FCN-5 by .004
  - Deeper model might make it equal after ages of training
  - Deeper models requires more data
  - Deeper models take more time (*deep residual network[4]*)
  - *4 layers are enough vs. matter of size(data)?*

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The proposed system, FCN-4	.894
2015, Bag of features and RBM [5]	.888
2014, 1-D convolutions[2]	.882
2014, Transferred learning [6]	.88
2012, Multi-scale approach [1]	.898
2011, Pooling MFCC [3]	.861

- All deep and NN approaches are around .88-.89
- Are we touching the glass ceiling?
  - Perhaps due to the noise of MTT, but tricky to prove it
  - 26K tracks are not enough for millions of parameters

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Million Song Dataset - on the paper

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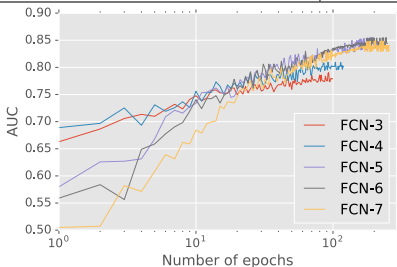
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Methods	AUC
FCN-3, mel-spectrogram	.786
FCN-4, —	.808
FCN-5, —	.848
FCN-6, —	<b>.851</b>
FCN-7, —	.845



# WARNING!

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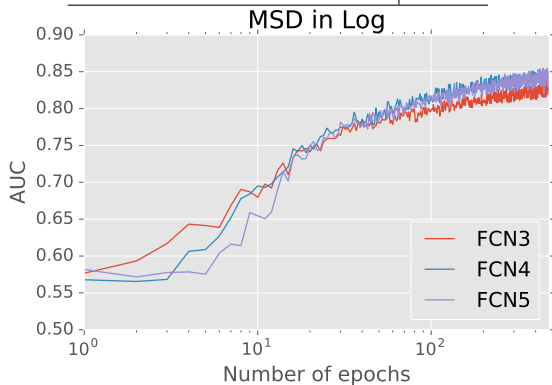
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- The MSD results are not reproduced.
  - I suspect a incorrect learning rate controlling
    - and this is why we shouldn't rush before deadline..
- Ran the experiments again
  - without weird learning rate controlling,
  - and more epochs (240→480)

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Million Song Dataset - re-run

Methods	AUC
FCN-3, mel-spectrogram	.839
FCN-4, —	.852
FCN-5, —	.855



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# Smaller (narrower) convnet

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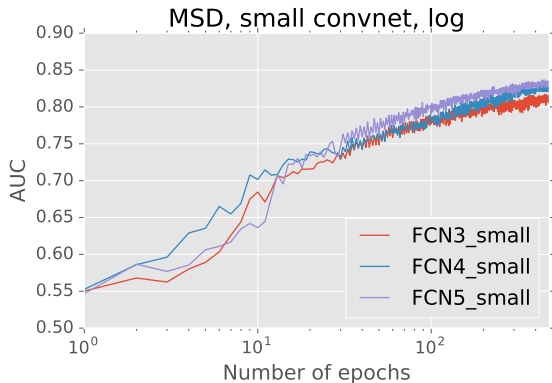
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No. of feature maps:  $[128@1 - 2048@5] \rightarrow [32@1 - 256@5]$ ,  
i.e. *narrower* network, because there's no difference between  
FCN-4 and FCN-5.



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- Assumptions - about macroscopic view seems fine
- In general, the behaviour agrees with computer vision community, which are..
  - the deeper, the better (or equal)
  - the wider, the better (or equal), but not as much as depth
- Melgram+feature learning > MFCC
- Melgram > STFT
  - At some point, we will argue STFT + learning > melgram
- MTT is too small, even MSD might be small
- Future work: More investigation, variable input length, better dataset, re-thinking the problem...



# Thank you for listening and...

You can *plug-and-predict*

## The pre-trained weights and model is open!



keunwoo choi github pre-trained convnet



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GitHub - keunwoochoi/music-auto\_tagging ...

[https://github.com > keunwoochoi > musi...](https://github.com/keunwoochoi/music-auto_tagging-keras)

Mobile-friendly - 3 days ago - keunwoochoi/music-auto\_tagging-keras ... Music auto-tagging models and trained weights in keras/theano ... After a summary of convnet, the result will be printed: ... librosa because it uses pre-computed mel-spectrograms.

[https://github.com/keunwoochoi/music-auto\\_tagging-keras](https://github.com/keunwoochoi/music-auto_tagging-keras)



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