Introduction to Audio Content Analysis

Module 7.3.5: Fundamental Frequency Detection — Evaluation

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introduction

overview

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lecture content

- **potential data problems**
  - pitch and time quantization
  - reliability of ground truth
  - time resolution mismatch of ground truth and system
- **metrics**
  - score pitch match (chroma match)
  - measures of deviation
- **factor impacting metrics**
  - voicing detection