

# Human-Sound Interaction (HSI)

## current and future directions

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# Foundation of this work



- Sonic Interaction Design
- Music affordances
- Aural Diversity

# Sonic Interaction Design



Sound at the centre of the design [27] and reflects on several aspects of sonic interaction: perceptual, cognitive, emotional, product sound design, auditory display and sonification.

SID aims to explore “ways in which sound can be used to convey information, meaning, and aesthetics and emotional qualities in an interactive context” [10] that can vary from critical functionalities of a product that relies on auditory feedback to communicate to its users, to artistic musical works such as performances or installations.

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# Music Affordances



Music can invite gestures that are often evoked by:

- Timbral and dynamic qualities of the sound [15]
- Musical aspects [15]
- Causality of the sound [3]
- Affordances of the instrument or interface [33]

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# Sound tracing



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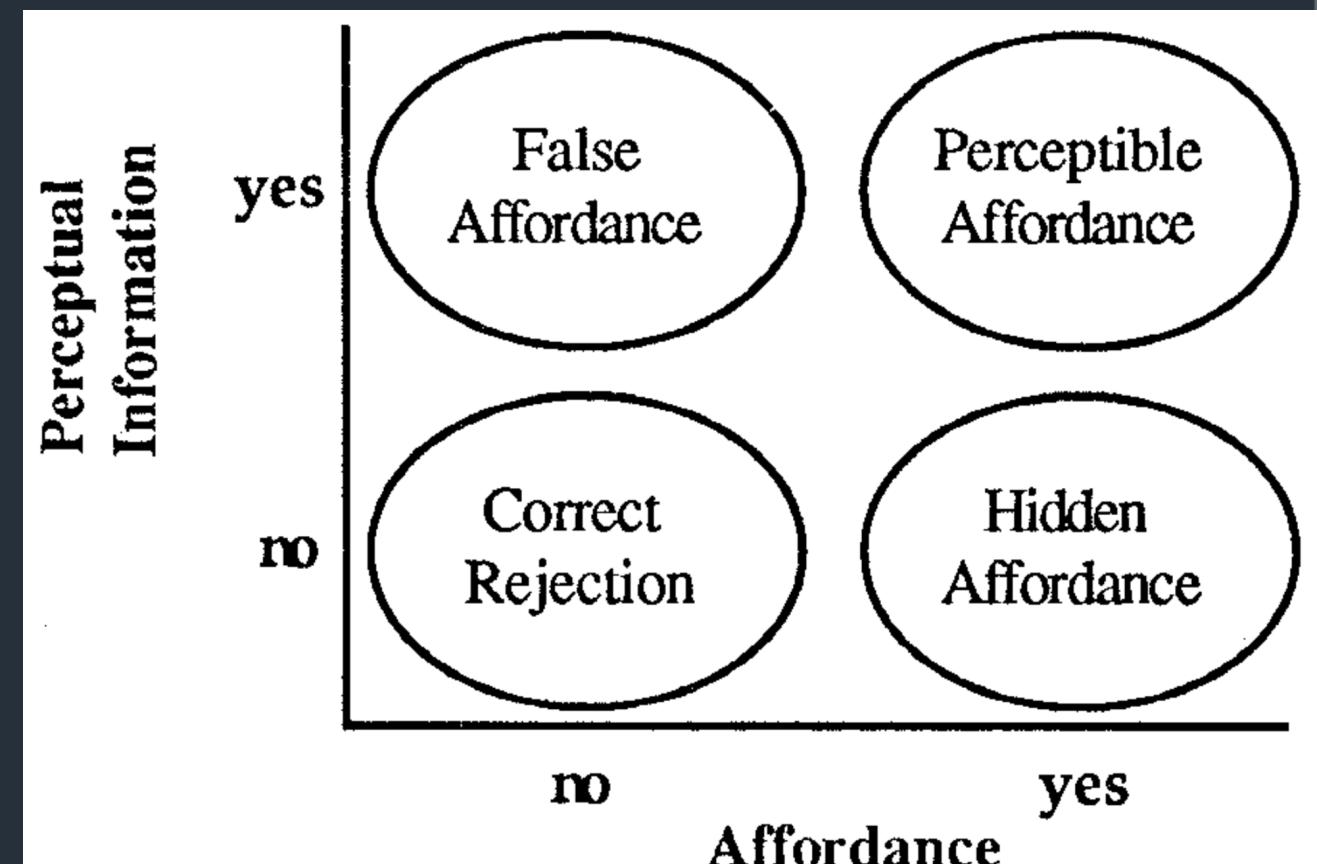


# Perception of affordances



Gaver [12] categorised affordances upon their perceptibly:

- correct rejections, when there is no affordance and it is not perceived;
- perceived, the affordance is present and perceived;
- hidden, the affordance is present but it is not perceived
- false affordances an affordance is perceived but it does not exist



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# Perception of affordances



Diversity of human-factors that can affect the perception of affordances

- Auditory
- Vision
- Haptic feedback
- Cultural Background



# Human-Sound Interaction



Direct, engaging, natural and embodied interaction with sound that takes into account one's abilities to perceive the world.

- ***direct*** as the impression or a feeling about an interface capable of being described in terms of concrete actions [22]
- ***engaging*** as fostering the “feeling of directly manipulating the objects of interest”, where “the world of interest is explicitly represented and there is no intermediary between user and world” [22]
- ***natural*** “as being marked by spontaneity” [17]
- ***embodied*** as an extension and incorporation of human skills and abilities within the interaction design of a system [8]

[8] Dourish P.. 2001. Where The Action Is: The Foundations of Embodied Interaction. MIT Press.

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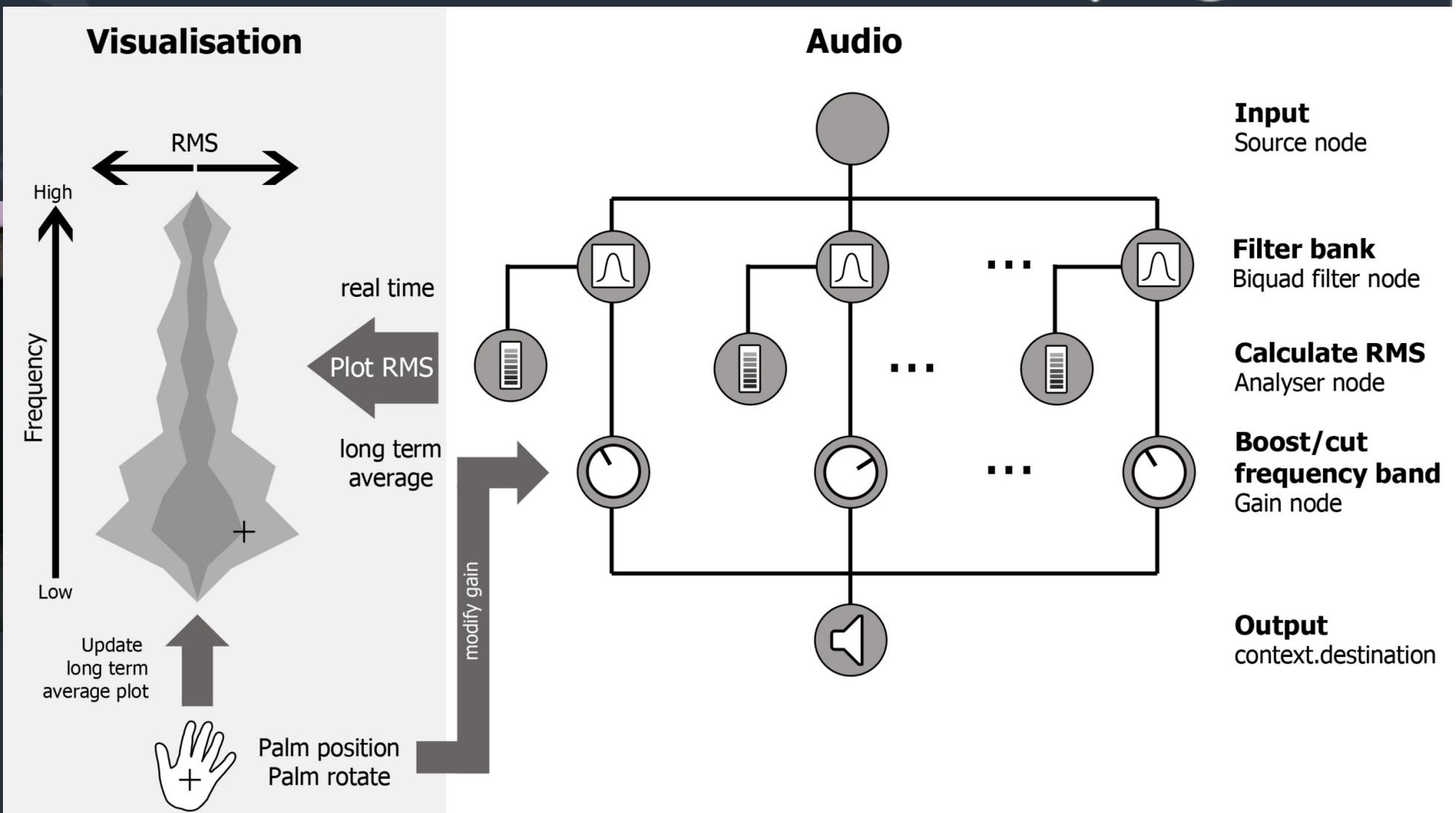
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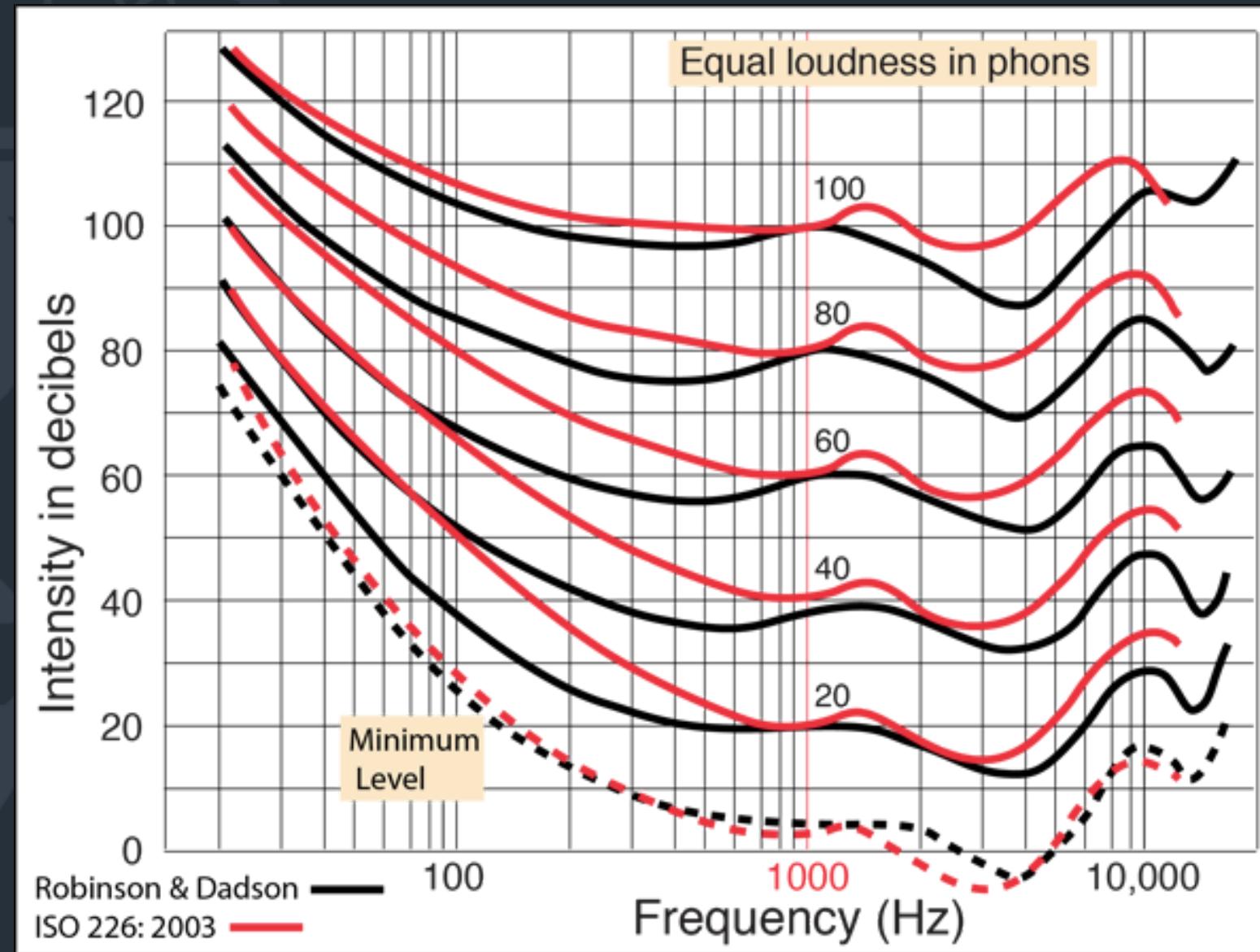


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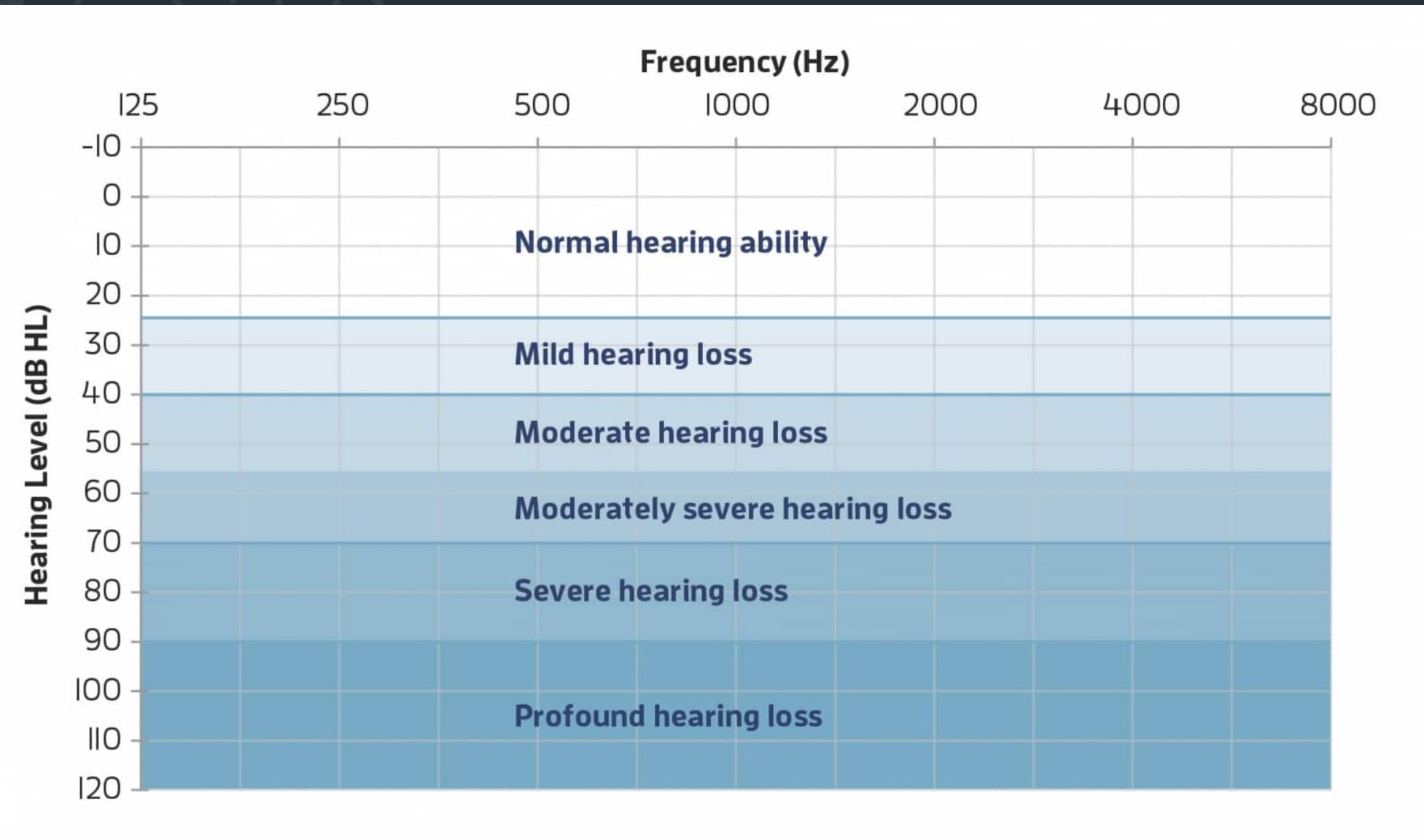


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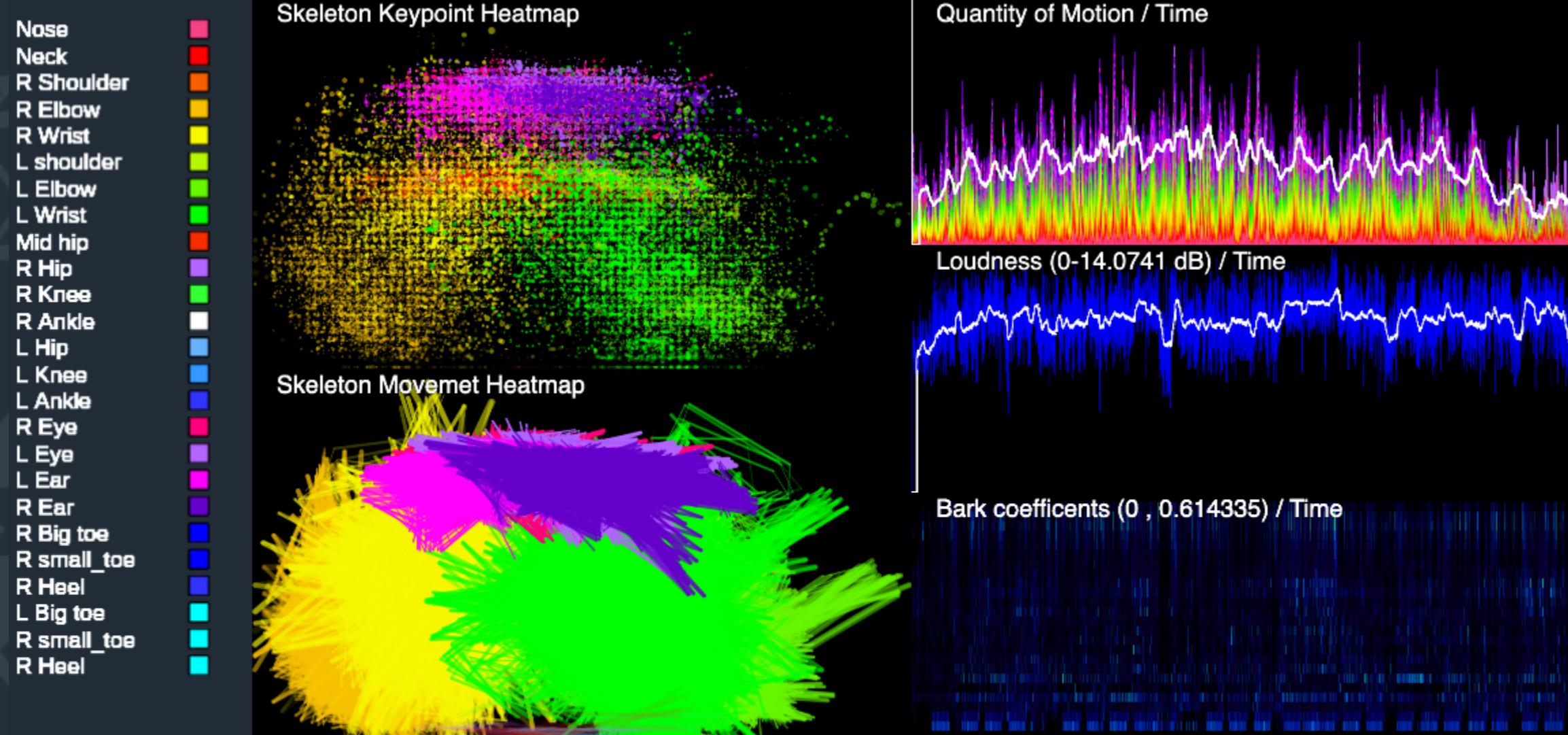
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# the HSI-data repository



Repository link: <https://github.com/balandinodidonato/HSI-data>

# what's next



# HSI at MSTRC

Will...

- *Study music perception and cognition*, musical behaviour and music experience using scientific methods and emerging technologies within the HSI framework
- *Develop technology for musical application* based on the artistic, scientific and engineering knowledge created by the project
- *Study the application of HSI principles* and interfaces in music composition, performance, recording, reproduction, dissemination and consumption
- *Critically examine HSI* between technology, culture, business, and creativity



# HSI at MSTRC



Will use...

- *MSTRC Listening Lab* for perception sound studies and soundtracing studies
- *Audience Response System* to gather accurate and reliable data that will enrich the HSI-data repository, and subsequently the model which will then inform the design of musical interfaces
- *Studio facilities* to design and analyse and audio and conduct sound studies
- *Performance venues* to test and evaluate interfaces designed upon HSI principles during music performance

# Thank you for listening

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