Research Proposal - Piano Auto Generated Score

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• Introduction

This project is reading a piano piece to get the score, including chords. This project will

mainly use pitch detection and chord detection. Once I have finished the project, I will write a

thesis recording what I have done.

• Semester Goal

The goal written above is the whole project goal, but apparently, I cannot finish so much

work in one semester. Therefore, this semester, I will just try to finish chord detection. And for

chord detection, I will just detect one chord at one time of a short audio.

Method

Currently, I have found some papers online, but I have not decided to use which method.

From my perspective, I will try methods in those essays and figure out which one is the most

suitable.

All programming will be completed in C language. At the same time, I will use MATLAB

for reference, due to its audio processing functions.

Steps

Firstly, I will synthetize some chords to analyze its frequency and spectrum. This step is helpful for finding multiple fundamental frequencies.

Then I will use one of the methods in papers to detect the chord in a short audio. (The papers are listed in the reference)

Last, I will test the program with some known chords, to get the accuracy of chord detection.

• Summary

In a word, I will find a suitable method to detect chords, which means that finding every node in a chord. Besides, testing the accuracy of program is another goal in this semester.

Reference

"Multiple Fundamental Frequency Estimation by Summing Harmonic Amplitudes" - Anssi Klapuri

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