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# **Deep Neural Networks in MIR**

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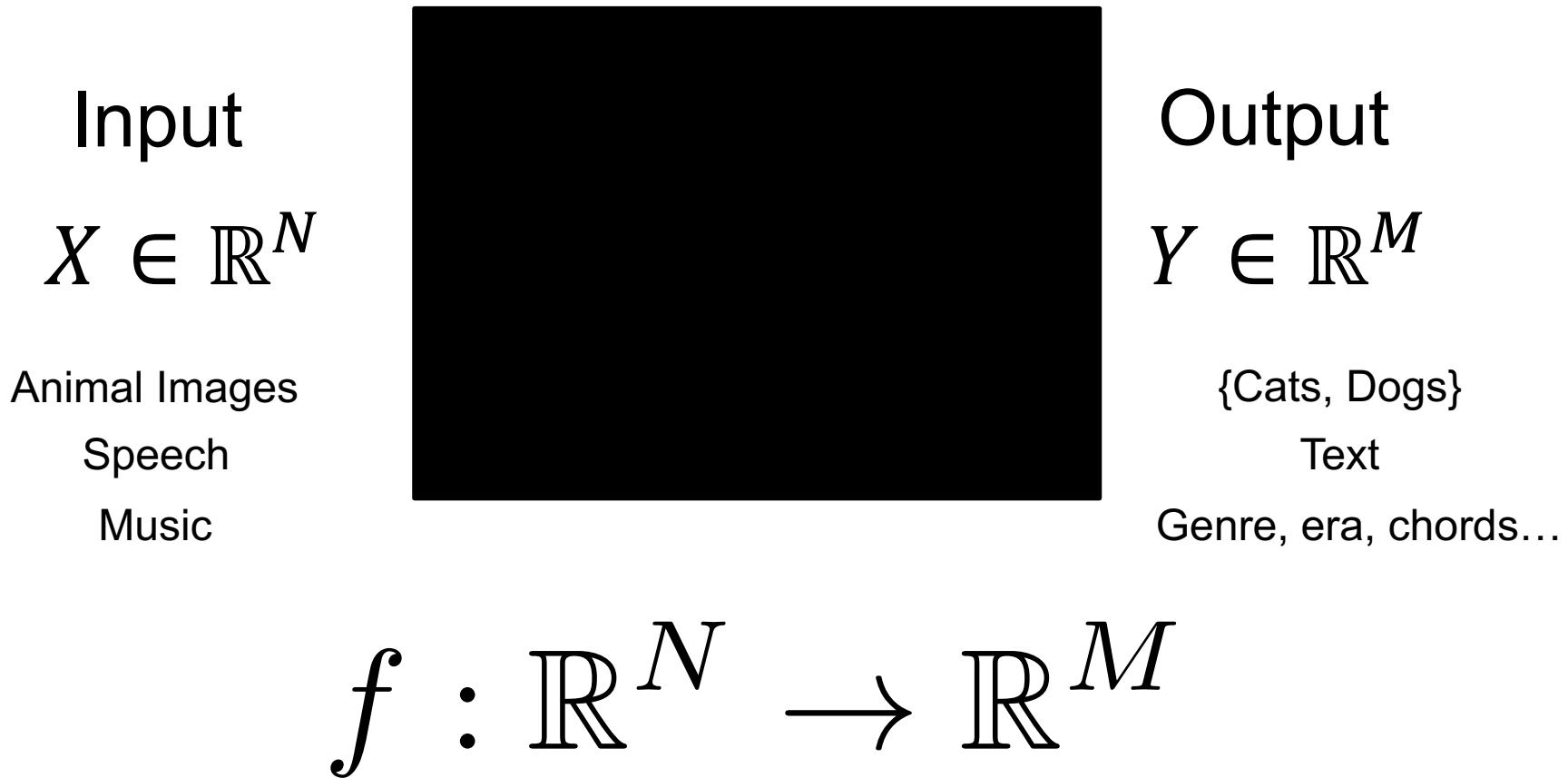
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# Motivation

- DNNs are very powerful methods
- Define the state of the art in different domains
- Lots of decisions involved when designing a DNN
  - Input representation, input preprocessing
  - #layers, #neurons, layer type, dropout, regularizers, cost function
  - Initialization, mini-batch size, #epochs, early stopping (patience)
  - Optimizer, learning rate...

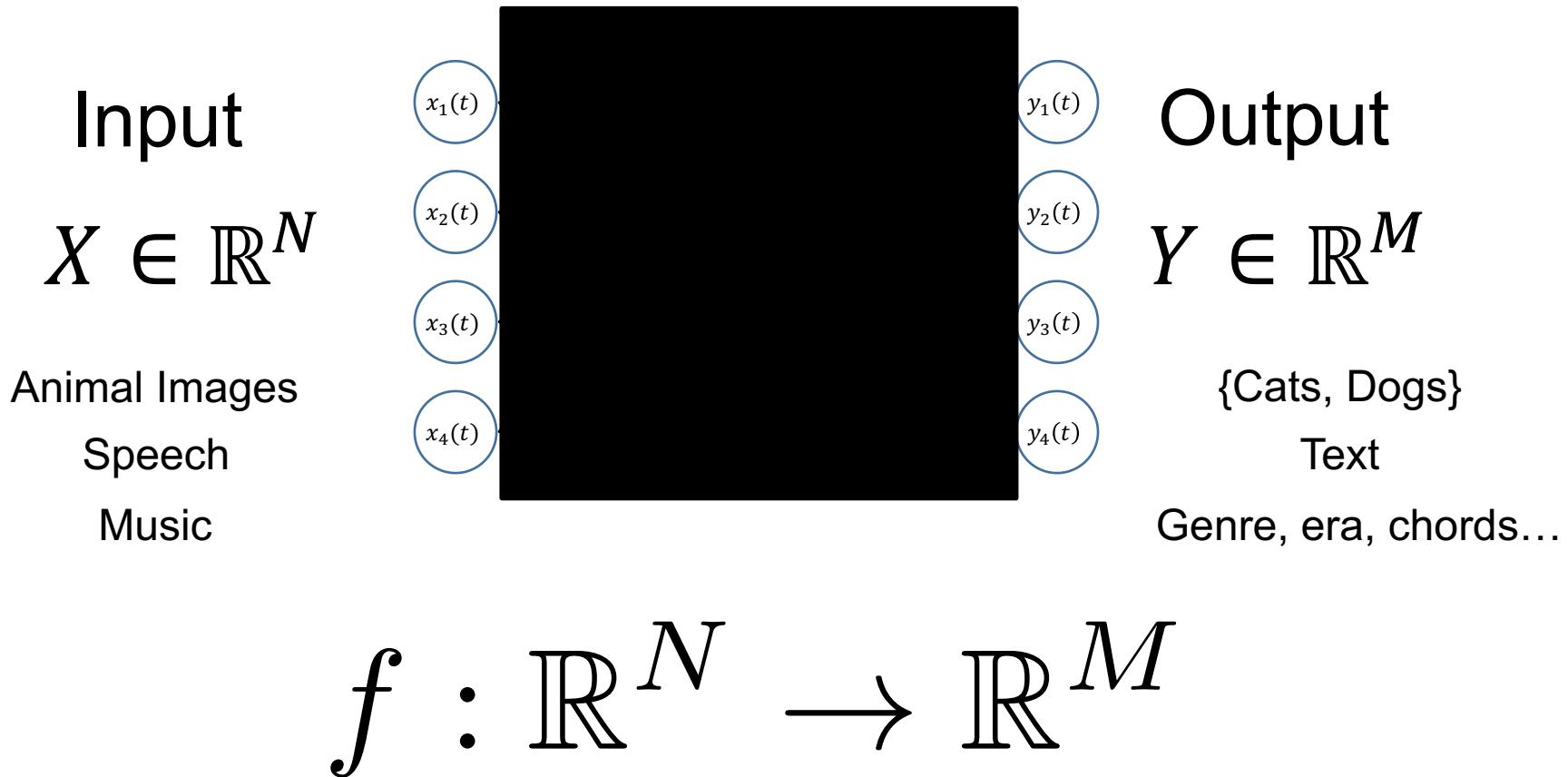
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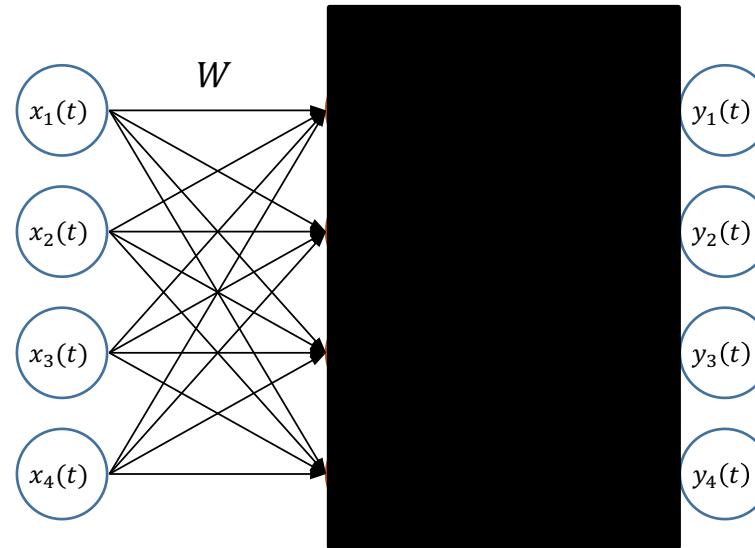


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Input  
 $X \in \mathbb{R}^N$

Animal Images  
Speech  
Music



Output  
 $Y \in \mathbb{R}^M$

{Cats, Dogs}  
Text  
Genre, era, chords...

$$f : \mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$$

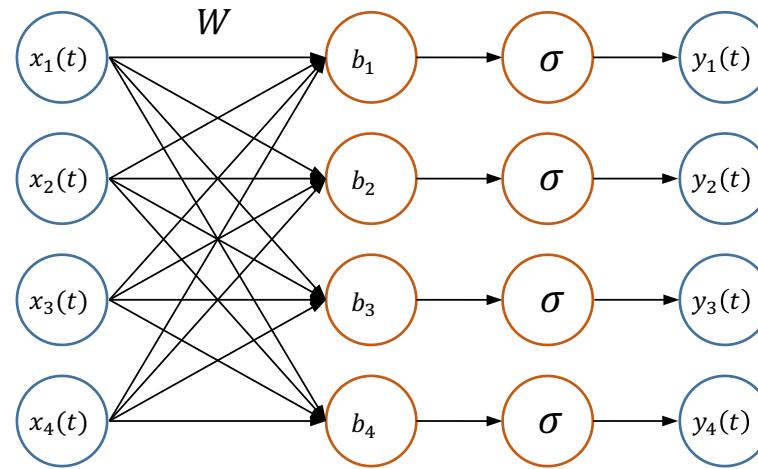
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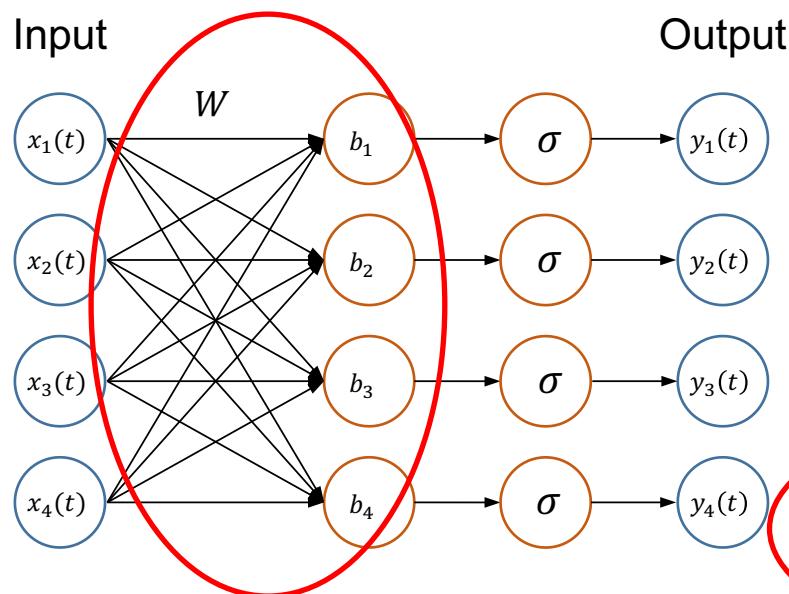


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# Neural Network Intuition

- NN is a non-linear mapping from input- to output-space
- Free parameters are trained with examples (supervised)



Definition:  $f : \mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$

Mapping:  $f(x) = \sigma(W^T x + b),$

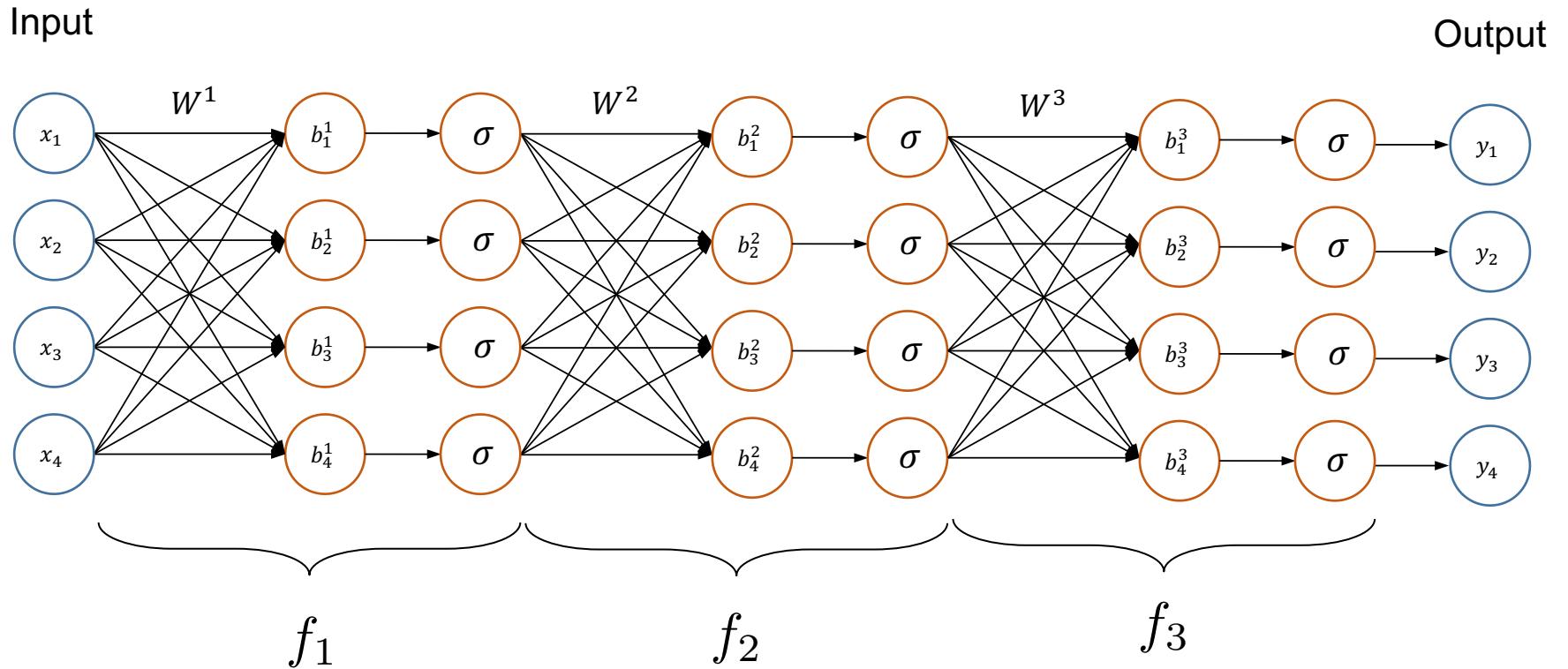
Nonlinearity:  $\sigma : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Weights:  $W \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times M}$

Bias:  $b \in \mathbb{R}^M$

# Deep Neural Network

## Going Deep

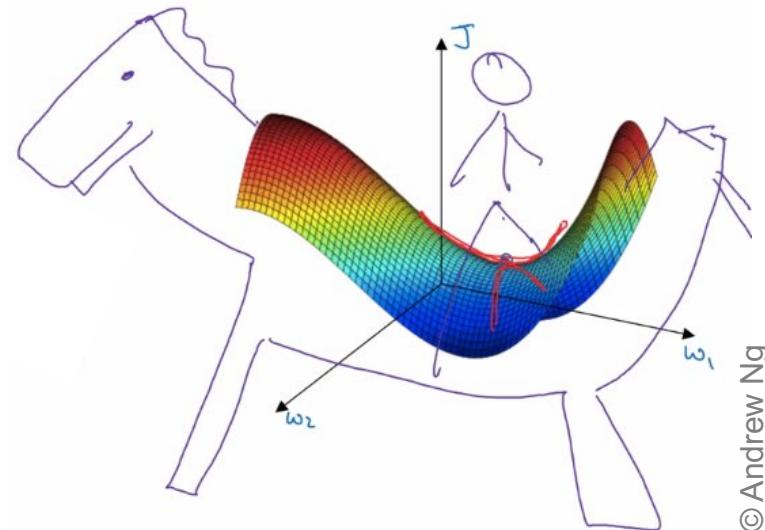


$$f(x) = (f_3 \circ f_2 \circ f_1)(x)$$

# Deep Neural Networks

## Training

- Collect labeled dataset (e.g., images with cats and dogs)
- Define a quality measure: Loss function
- Task: Find minimum of loss function (not trivial)
  - Gradient Descent



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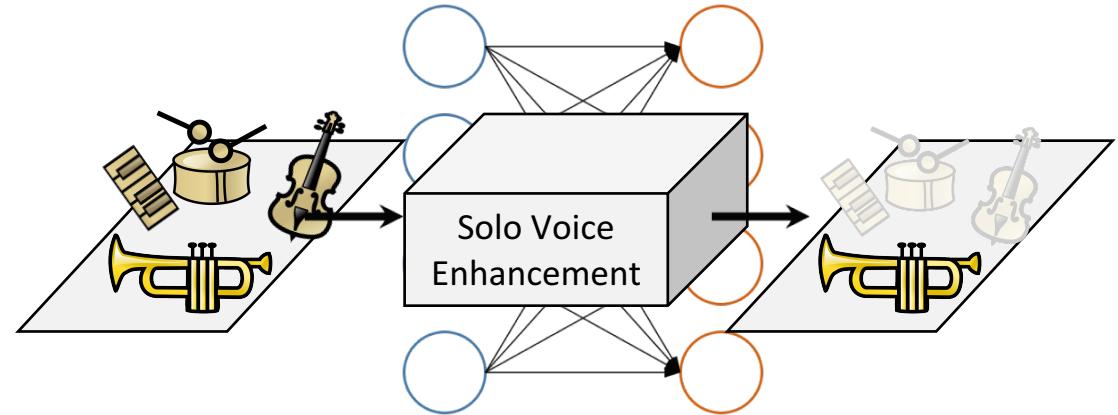
# Deep Neural Networks

## Gradient Descent

- **Idea:** Find the minimum of a function in an iterative way by following the direction of steepest descent of the gradient
- Initialize all free parameters randomly
- Repeat until convergence:
  - Let the DNN perform predictions on the dataset
  - Measure the quality of the predictions w. r. t. the loss function
  - Update the free parameters based on the prediction quality
- Common extension: Stochastic Gradient Descent

# Overview

1. Feature Learning
2. Beat and Rhythm Analysis
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4. Literature Overview



# Feature Learning

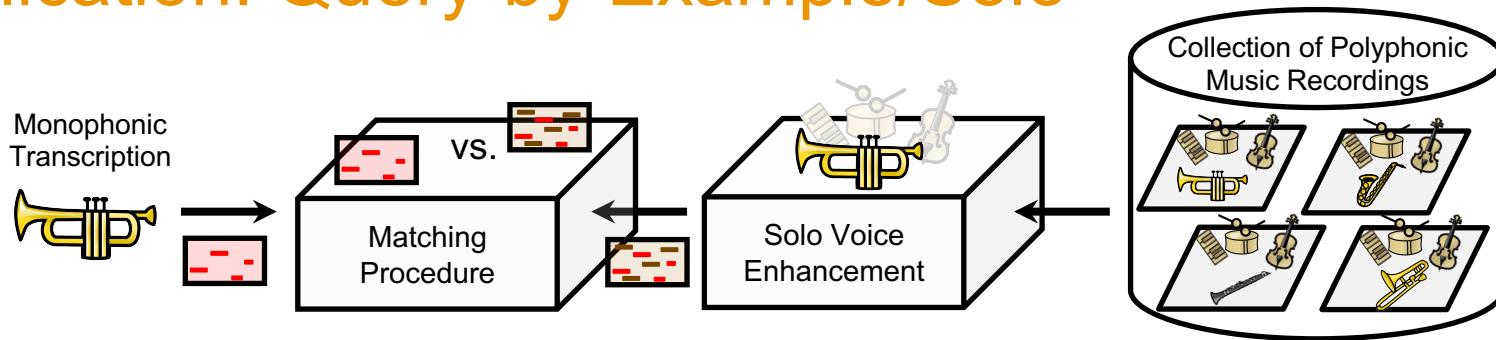
# Feature Learning

## ...where it all began

- Core task for DNNs:  
Learn a representation from the data to solve a problem.
- Task is very hard to define!  
Often evaluated in tagging, chord recognition, or retrieval application.

Task	Year	Authors	Ref.	Type	Input	Pre-proc.
FL	2013	Schmidt and Kim	[67]	DBN	HC	—
FL	2010	Hamel and Eck	[30]	DBN	LinS	—
FL	2017	Dai et al.	[15]	CNN	Raw	—
FL	2012	Hamel et al.	[33]	FNN	LogMelS	PCA
FL	2016	Korzeniowski and Widmer	[43]	FNN	LogLogS	—
FL	2017	Balke et al.	[2]	FNN	LogS	—
FL	2011	Hamel et al.	[32]	FNN	MelS	PCA
FL	2014	Dieleman and Schrauwen	[17]	CNN	Raw	—

# Application: Query-by-Example/Solo



## Retrieval Scenario

Given a monophonic transcription of a jazz solo as query, find the corresponding document in a collection of polyphonic music recordings.

## Solo Voice Enhancement

1. Model-based Approach [Salamon13]
2. Data-Driven Approach [Rigaud16, Bittner15]

### Our Data-Driven Approach

Use a DNN to learn the mapping from a “polyphonic” TF representation to a “monophonic” TF representation.

# Weimar Jazz Database (WJD)



[Pfleiderer17]



Transcription



Beats

| E<sup>7</sup> A<sup>7</sup> | D<sup>7</sup> G<sup>7</sup> | ...

Chords

...

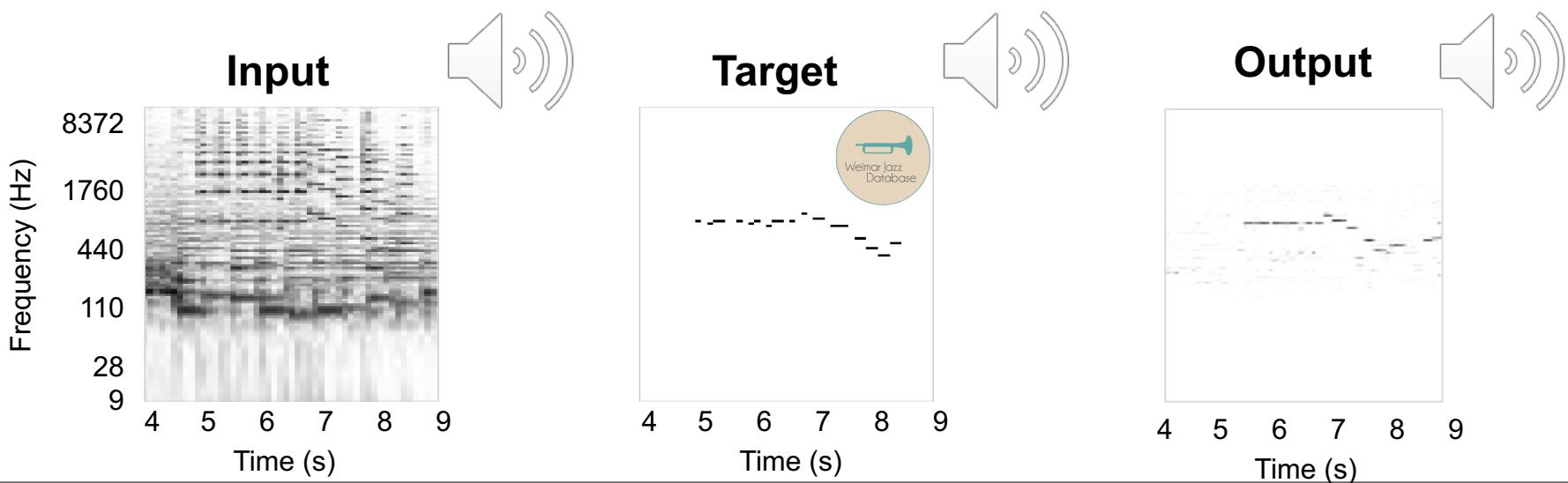
- 456 transcribed jazz solos of monophonic instruments.
- Transcriptions specify a musical pitch for physical time instances.
- 810 min. of audio recordings.

Thanks to the Jazzomat research team: M. Pfleiderer, K. Frieler, J. Abeßer, W.-G. Zaddach

# DNN Training

Stefan Balke, Christian Dittmar, Jakob Abeßer, Meinard Müller, ICASSP 17

- **Input:** Log-freq. Spectrogram (120 semitones, 10 Hz feature rate)
- **Target:** Solo instrument's pitch activations
- **Output:** Pitch activations (120 semitones, 10 Hz feature rate)
- **Architecture:** FNN, 5 hidden layers, ReLU, Loss: MSE, layer-wise training
- **Demo:** <https://www.audiolabs-erlangen.de/resources/MIR/2017-ICASSP-SoloVoiceEnhancement>



# Walking Bass Line Extraction



- Harmonic analysis
  - Composition (lead sheet) vs. actual performance
  - Polyphonic transcription from ensemble recordings is challenging
  - Walking bass line can provide first clues about local harmonic changes
- Features for style & performer classification

# What is a Walking Bass Line?

- **Example:** Miles Davis: So What (Paul Chambers: b)

Dm<sup>7</sup>

= 138

Paul Chambers

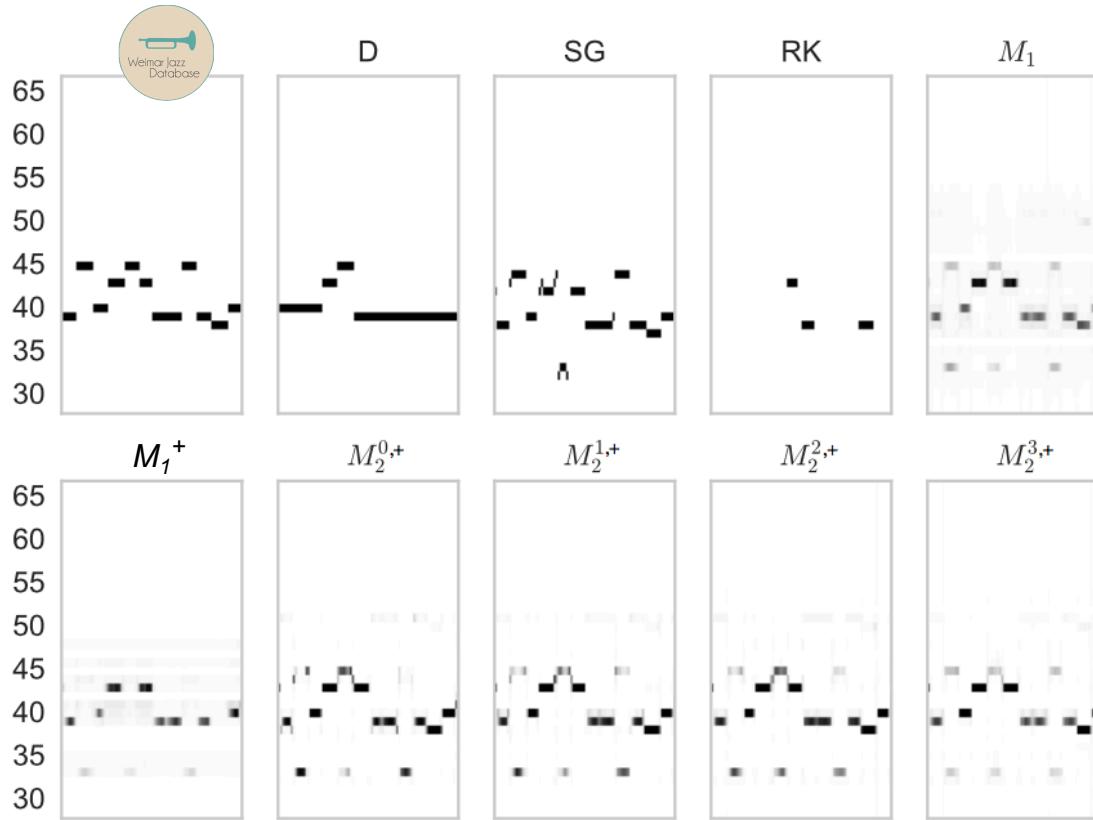
- Our assumptions for this work:
- Quarter notes (mostly chord tones)
- Representation: beat-wise pitch values



# Example

D - Dittmar et al.  
SG - Salamon et al.  
RK - Ryynänen & Klapuri

- Chet Baker: “Let’s Get Lost” (0:04 – 0:09)
- Demo:** <https://www.audiolabs-erlangen.de/resources/MIR/2017-AES-WalkingBassTranscription>



Initial model

$M_1$  - without data aug.

$M_1^+$  - with data aug.

Semi-supervised learning

$M_2^{0,+}$  -  $\tau^0$

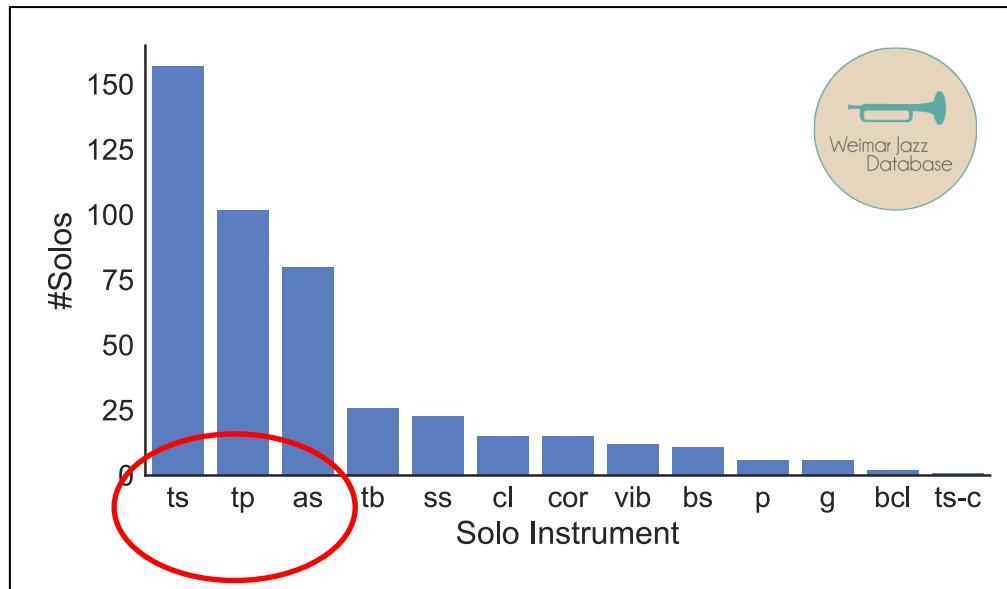
$M_2^{1,+}$  -  $\tau^1$

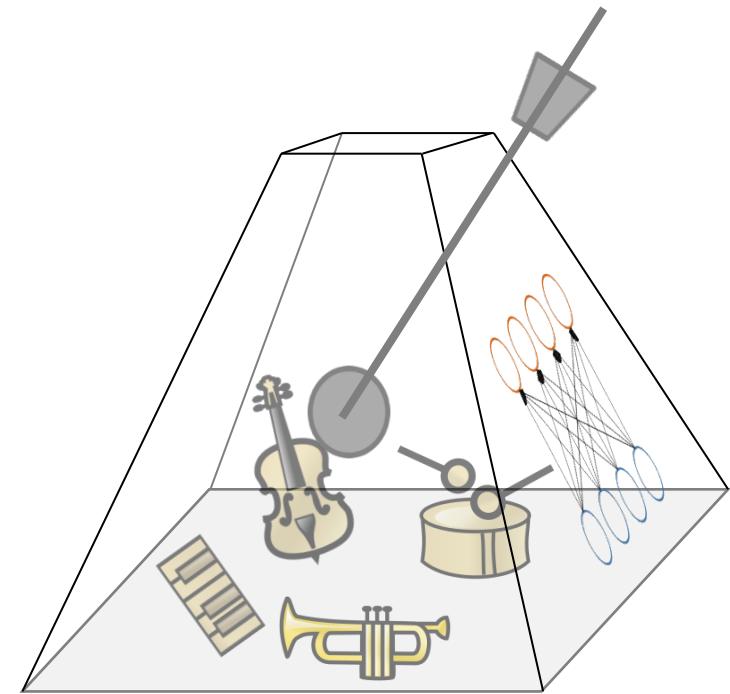
$M_2^{2,+}$  -  $\tau^2$

$M_2^{3,+}$  -  $\tau^3$

# Feature Learning

- Less domain knowledge needed to learn working features.
- Know your task/data.  
Accuracy is not everything!





# Beat and Rhythm Analysis

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Task	Year	Authors	Ref.	Type	Input	Pre-proc.
BRA	2010	Eyben et al.	[25]	RNN-BLSTM	LogMelS	DERIV
BRA	2011	Böck and Schedl	[5]	RNN-BLSTM	LogMelS	DERIV
BRA	2012	Battenberg and Wessel	[3]	DBN	—	—
BRA	2014	Böck et al.	[7]	RNN-BLSTM	LogS	—
BRA	2016	Böck et al.	[9]	RNN-BLSTM	LogS	DERIV
BRA	2016	Elowsson	[23]	FNN	HC	—
BRA	2016	Holzapfel and Grill	[35]	CNN	LogLogS	STDF
BRA	2016	Krebs et al.	[46]	RNN-BGRU	HC	—
BRA	2016	Durand and Essid	[21]	CNN	HC	—
BRA	2017	Durand et al.	[22]	CNN	HC	—
BRA	2015	Böck et al.	[8]	RNN-BLSTM	LogMelS	DERIV

- **Beat Tracking:**

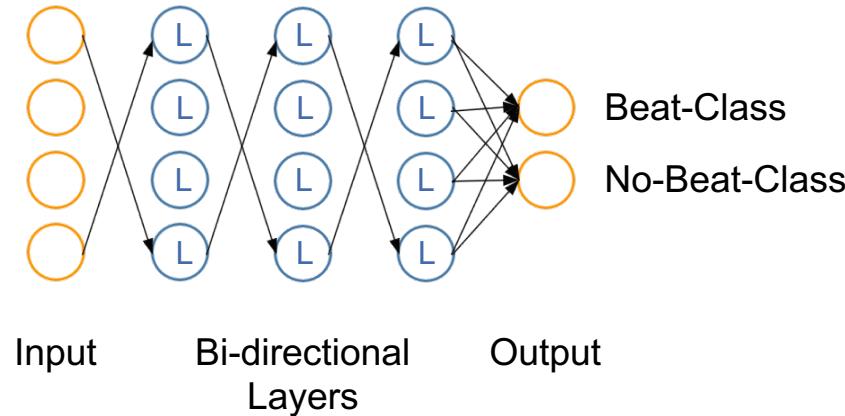
Find the pulse in the music which you would tap/clap to.



# Beat and Rhythm Analysis

Sebastian Böck, Florian Krebs, and Gerhard Widmer, DAFx 2011

- **Input:** 3 LogMel spectrograms (varying win-length) + derivatives
- **Target:** Beat annotations
- **Output:** Beat activation function  $\in [0, 1]$
- **Post-processing:** Peak picking on beat activation function
- **Architecture:** RNN, 3 bidirectional layers, 25 LSTM per layer/direction



# Beat Tracking Examples

Borodin  
String Quartet 2, III.  
65 bpm

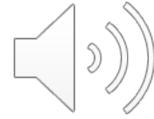
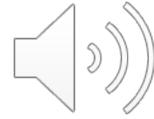
Carlos Gardel  
Por una Cabeza  
114 bpm

Sidney Bechet  
Summertime  
87 bpm

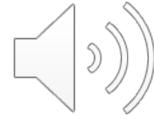
Wynton Marsalis  
Caravan  
195 bpm

Wynton Marsalis  
Cherokee  
327 bpm

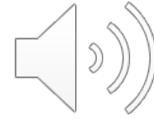
Original



Ellis (librosa)  
Init = 120 bpm

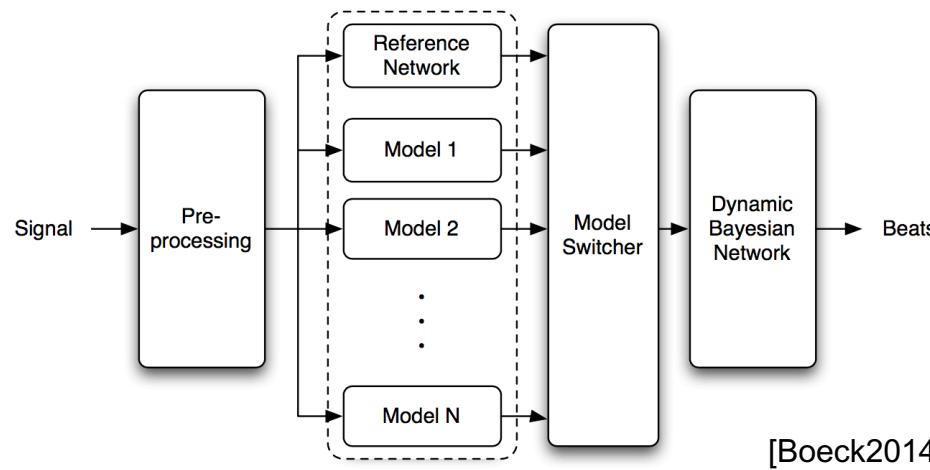


Böck2015  
(madmom)

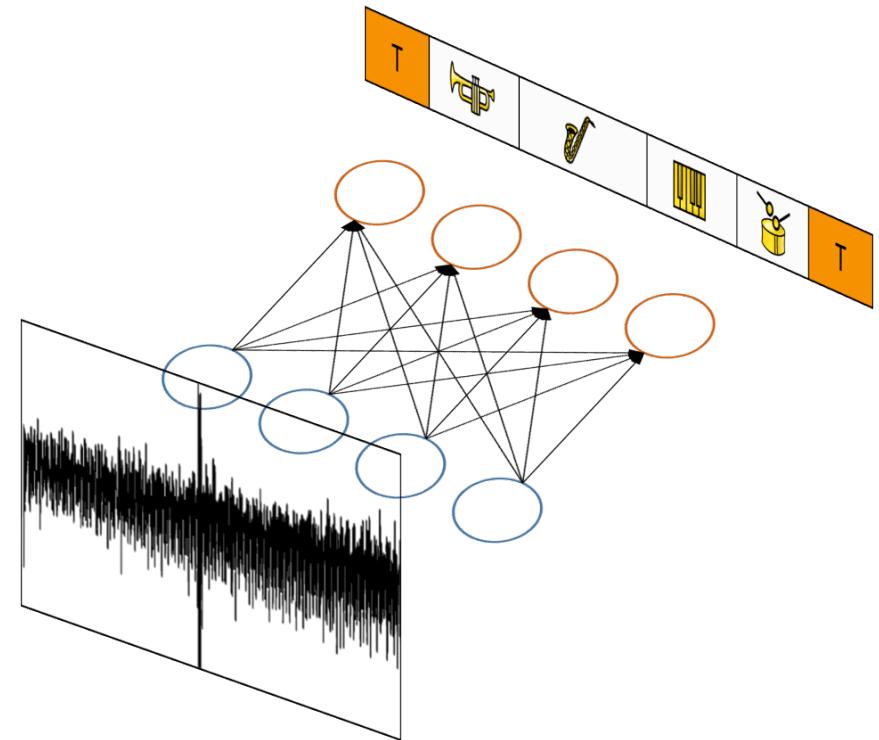


# Beat Tracking

- DNN-based methods need less task-specific initialization (e.g., tempo).
- Closer to a “universal” onset detector.
- Task-specific knowledge is introduced as post-processing step:



[Boeck2014]

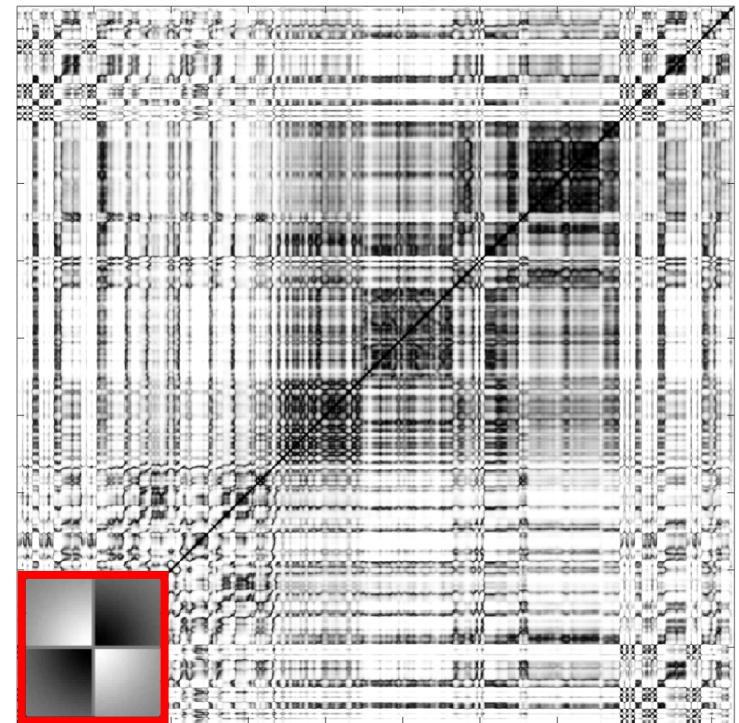


# Music Structure Analysis

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Task	Year	Authors	Ref.	Type	Input	Pre-proc.
MSA	2017	Cohen-Hadria and Peeters	[14]	CNN	LogMels, SSM	—
MSA	2014	Ullrich et al.	[75]	CNN	LogMelS	—
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- Find boundaries/repetitions in music

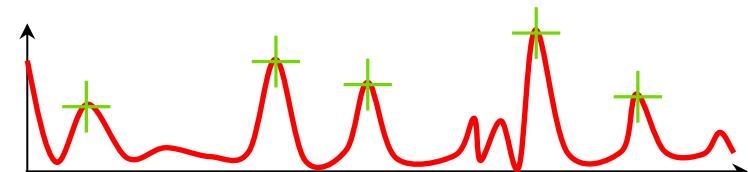


- Classic approaches:

- Repetition-based
- Homogeneity-based
- Novelty-based

- Main challenges:

- What is structure?
- Model assumptions based on musical rules (e.g., sonata).

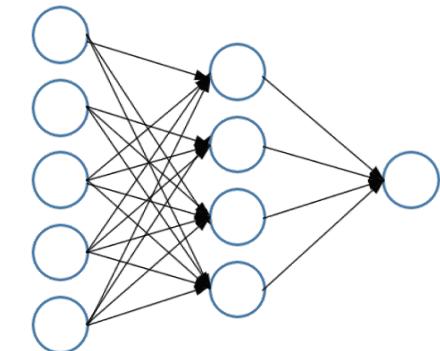
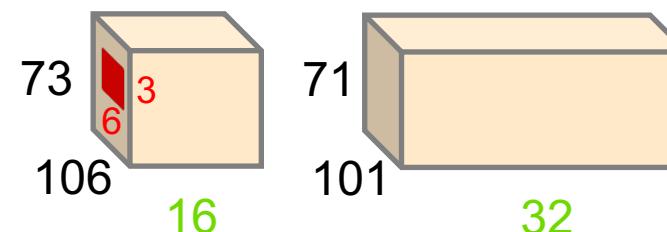
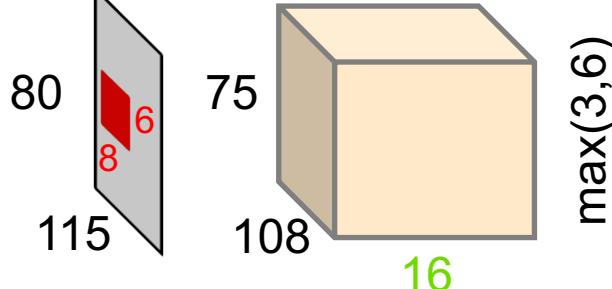


[Footnote]

# Music Structure Analysis

Karen Ullrich, Jan Schlüter, and Thomas Grill, ISMIR 2014

- **Input:** LogMel spectrogram
- **Target:** Boundary annotations
- **Output:** Novelty function  $\in [0, 1]$
- **Post-processing:** Peak picking on novelty function



$$71 * 101 * 32 = 229'472$$

$$8 * 6 * 16  
= 768$$

\* ignoring bias

$$6 * 3 * 16 * 32  
= 9216$$

$$229'472 * 128  
= 29'372'416$$

$$128 * 1  
= 128$$

# Music Structure Analysis

## Results

SALAMI 1.3  
Tolerance Ullrich et al. (2014)

Algorithm	F-measure	Precision	Recall
Upper bound (est.)	0.68		
<b>16s_std_1.5s</b>	<b>0.4646</b>	0.5553	0.4583
MP2 (2013)	0.3280	0.3001	0.4108
MP1 (2013)	0.3149	0.3043	0.3605
OYZS1 (2012)	0.2899	0.4561	0.2583

0.5 s:

SALAMI 2.0  
Grill et al. (2015)

Algorithm	F <sub>1</sub>	F <sub>.58</sub>	Rec.	Prec.
Upper bound (est.)	.74	.74		
<i>All features, multi+fine ann.</i>	<b>.508</b>	.529	.502	.572
<i>MLS+SSLM-near, multi+fine</i>	.496	.506	.509	.536
<i>MLS+SSLM-near, single ann.</i>	.469	.466	.504	.475
SUG1 (2014)	.422	.442	.422	.490
MP2 (2013)	.294	.280	.362	.271
MP1 (2013)	.276	.270	.311	.269
NB1 (2014)	.270	.246	.374	.229
KSP2 (2012)	.263	.231	.422	.209
Baseline (est.)	.15	.21		

3.0 s:

Algorithm	F-measure	Precision	Recall
Upper bound (est.)	0.76		
<b>32s_low_6s</b>	<b>0.6164</b>	0.5944	0.7059
<b>16s_std_1.5s</b>	0.5726	0.5648	0.6675
MP2 (2013)	0.5213	0.4793	0.6443
MP1 (2013)	0.5188	0.5040	0.5849

- Added features (SSLM)
- Trained on 2 levels of annotations
- SUG1 is similar to [Ullrich2014]

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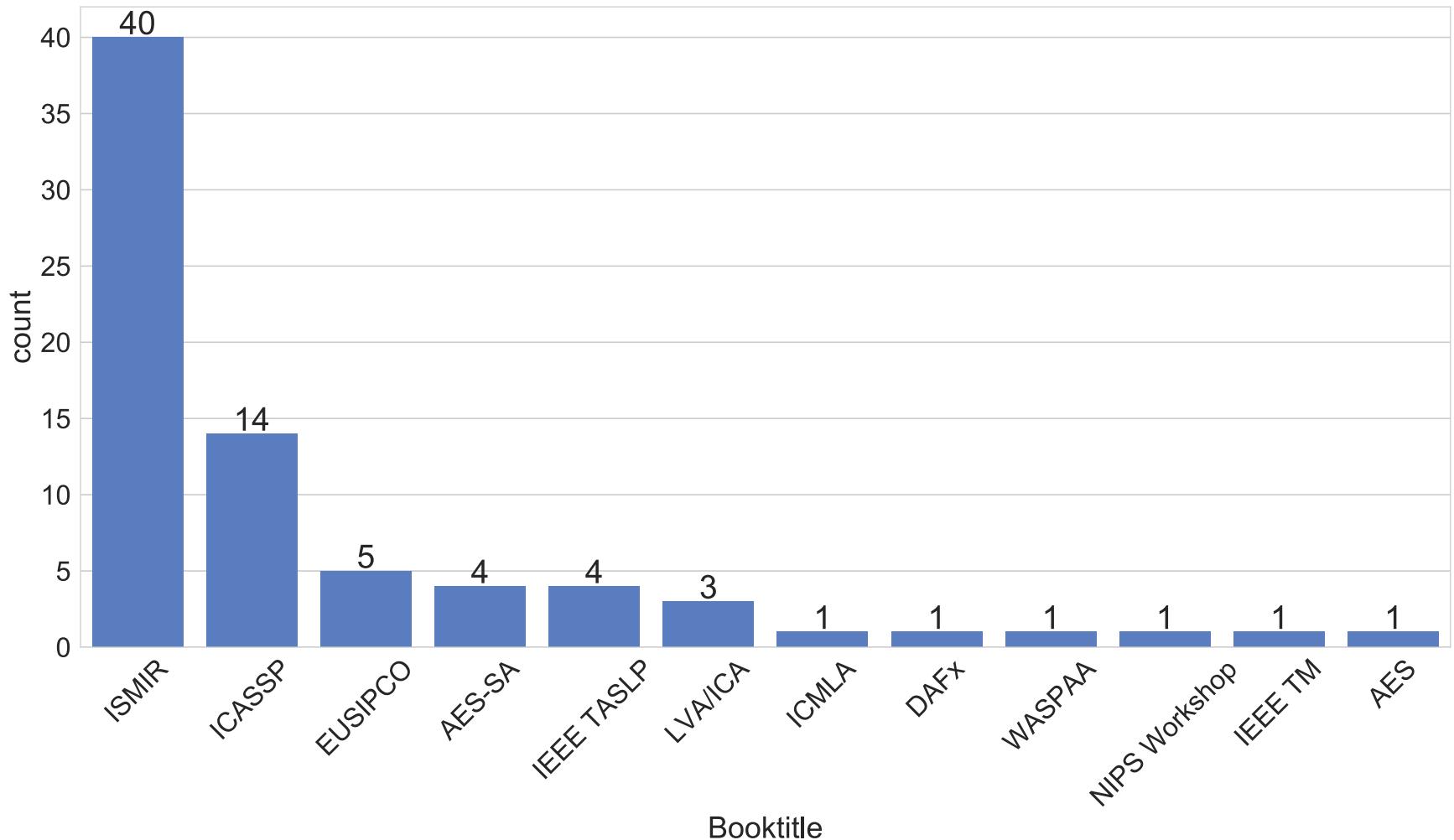
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- Re-implementation by *Cohen-Hadria and Peeters* did not reach reported results.
- Possible reasons:
  - Data identical?
  - Different kind of convolution? What was the stride?
  - Didn't ask?
  - Availability of pre-trained model would be awesome!

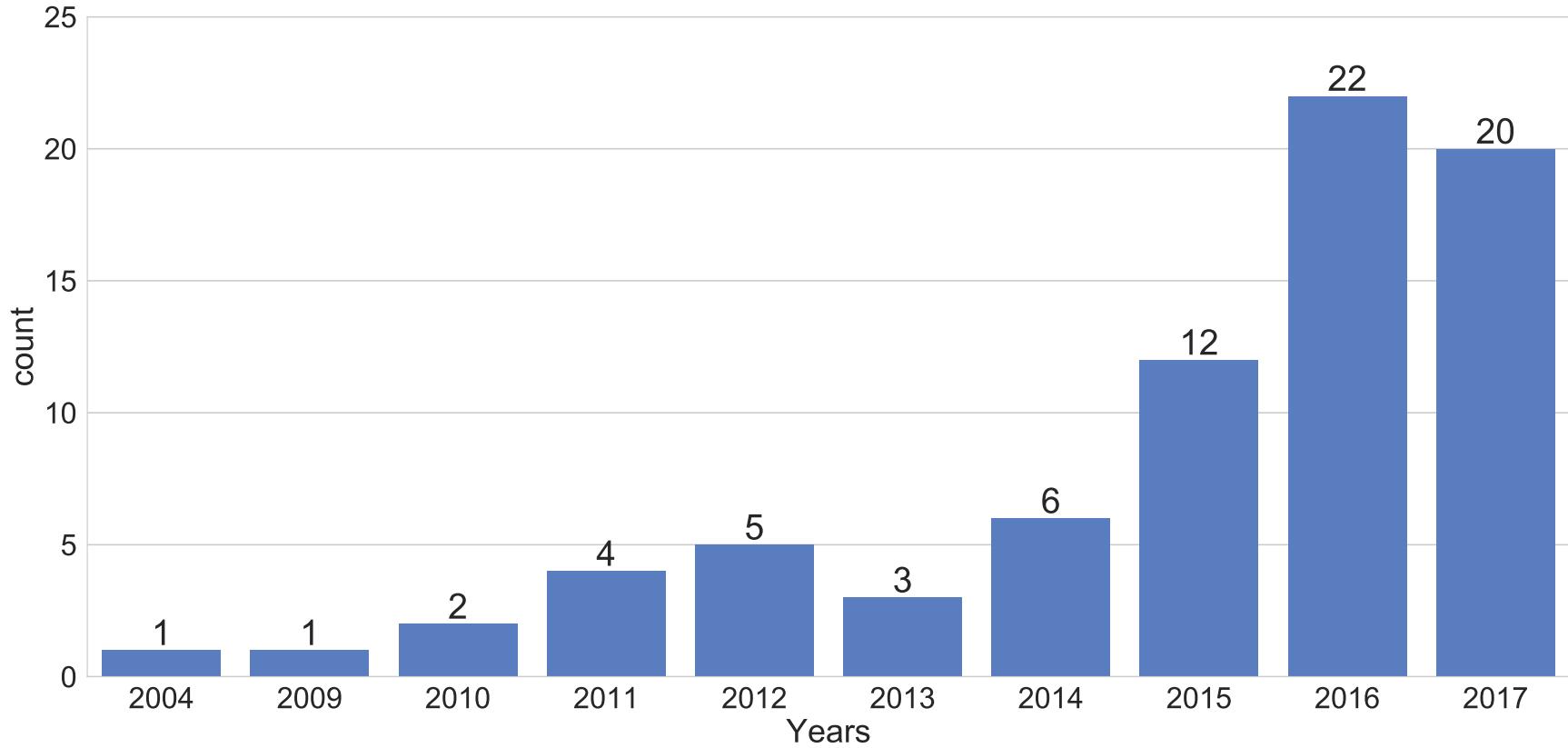


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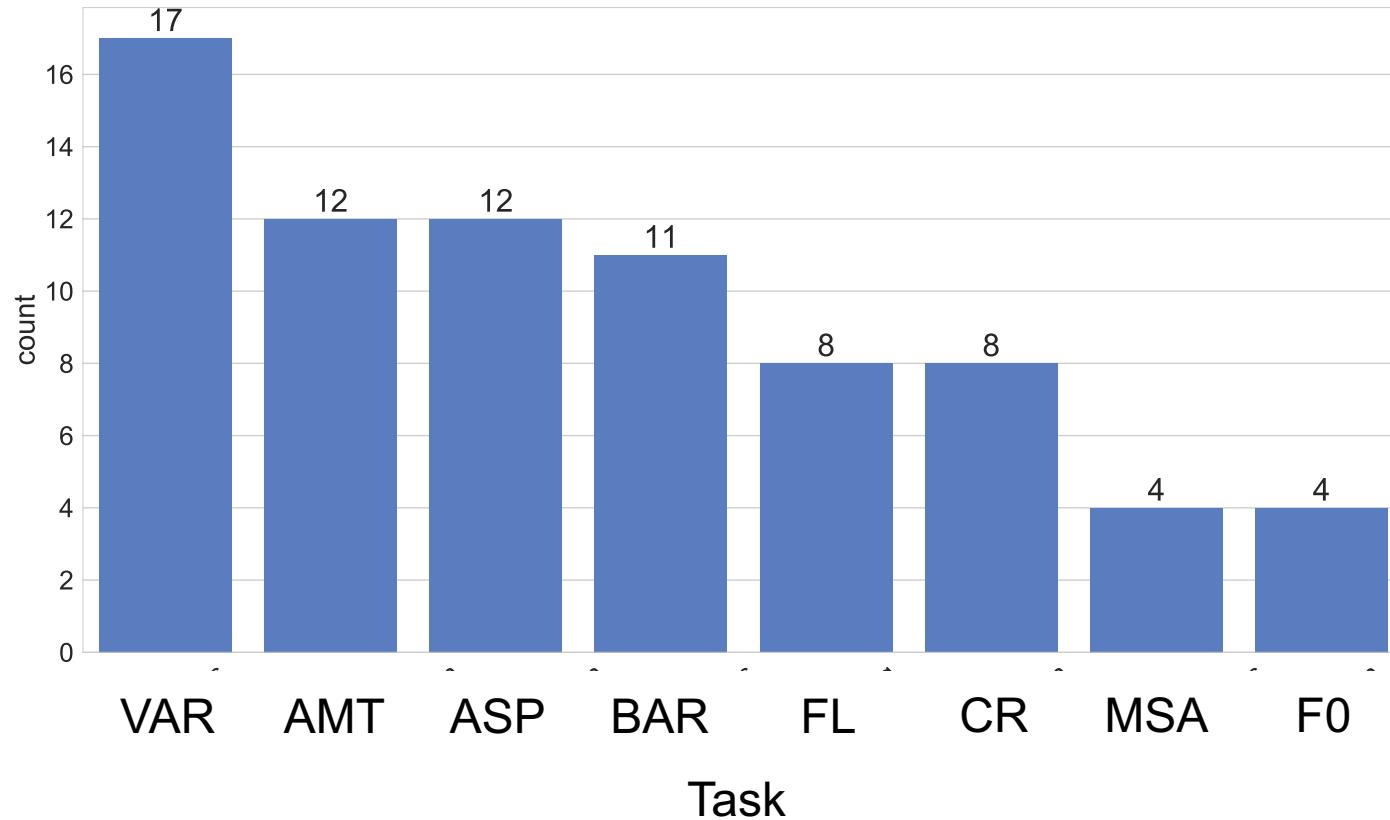
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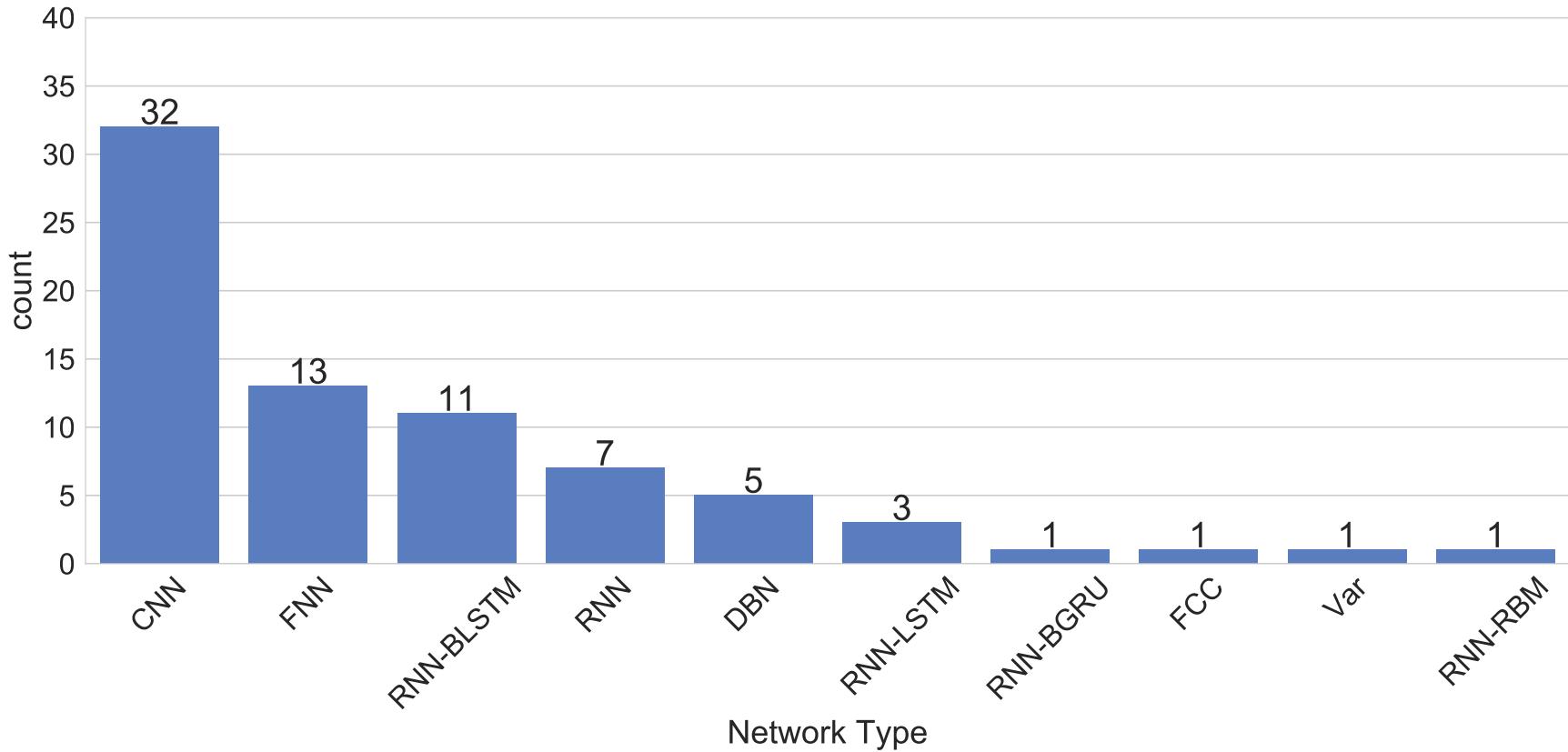
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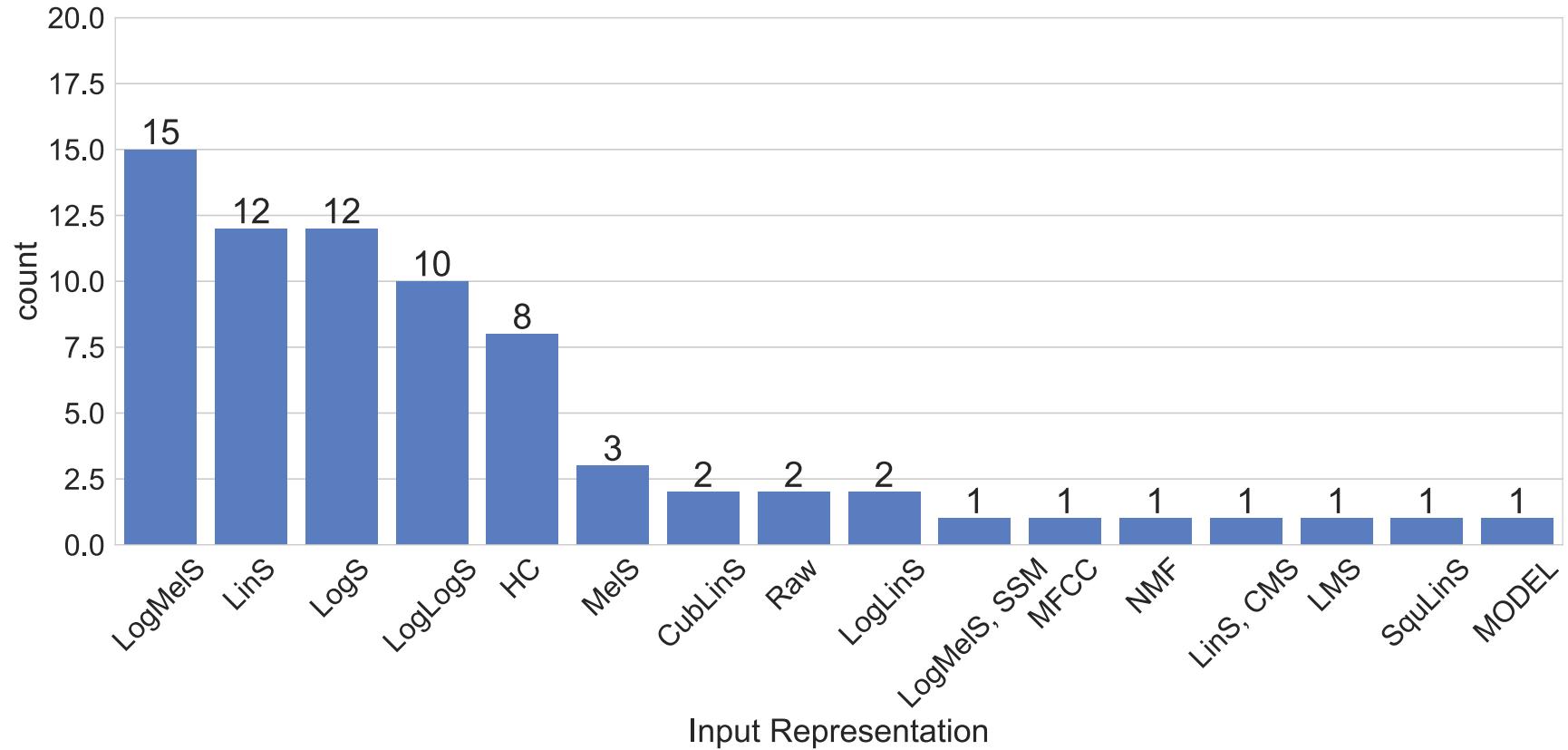
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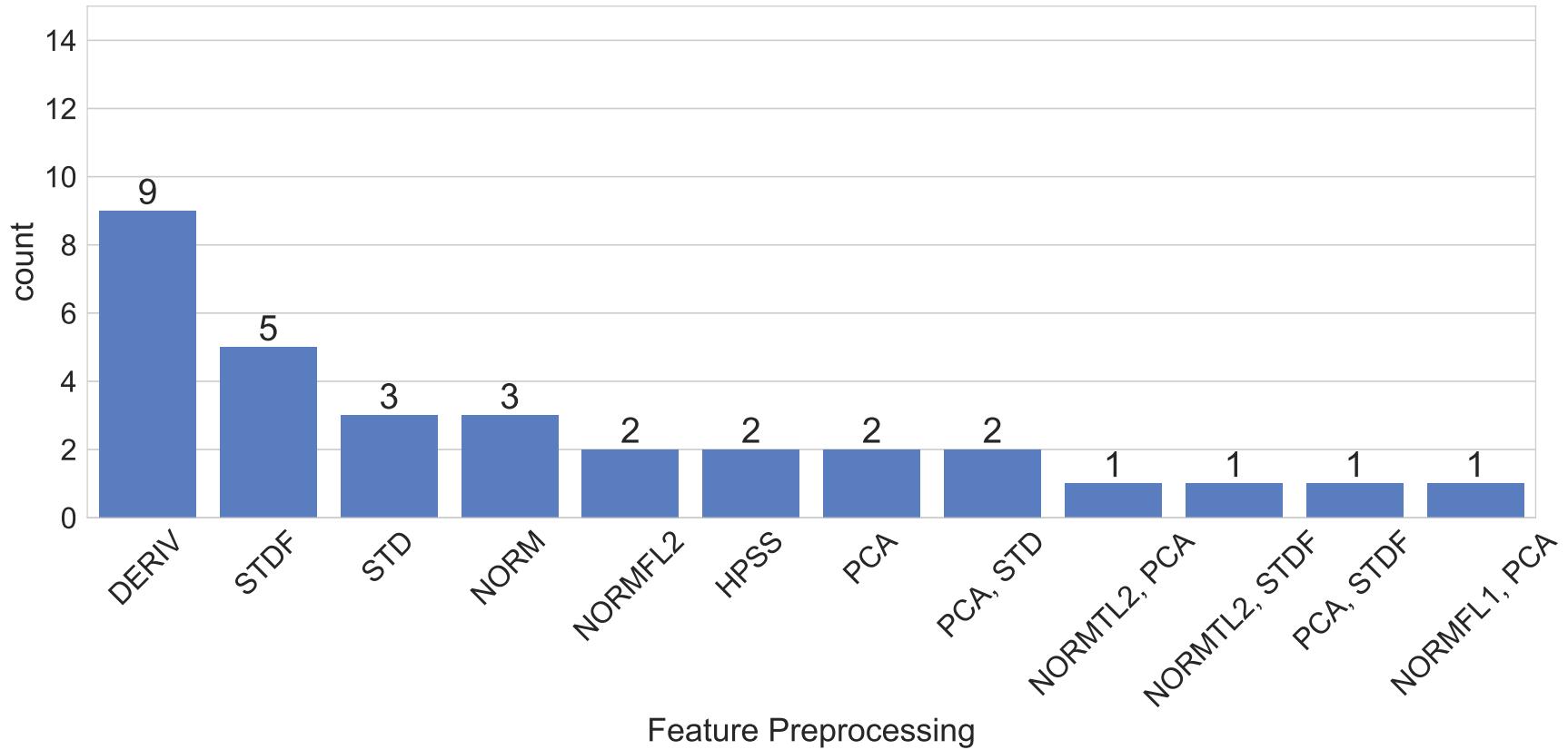
# Publications by Network



# Input Representations



# Feature Preprocessing



# Technical Background

## Overview

- DNN problems are tensor problems
- Lots of different open source frameworks available
  - Theano (University of Montreal)
  - tensorflow (Google)
  - PyTorch (Facebook)
- Support training DNNs on GPUs (NVIDIA GPUs are currently leading)
- Python is mainly used in this research area

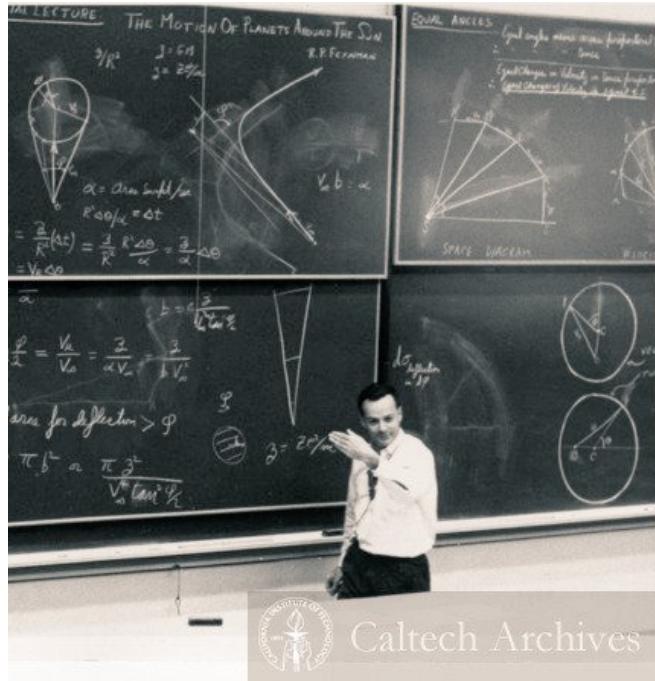
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## Python Starter-Kit

- **NumPy** Basics for matrices and tensors
- **Pandas** General operations on any data
- **Matplotlib** plotting your data
  
- **Librosa** General Audio library (STFT, Chroma, etc.)
- **Scikit-learn** For all kinds of machine learning models
- **Keras** High-Level wrapper for neural networks
- **Pescador** Data streaming
- **mir\_eval** Common evaluation metrics used in MIR

# Deep Neural Networks in MIR

- Online Lectures:
  - Andrew Ng: Machine Learning  
(Coursera class, more a general introduction to machine learning)
  - Google: Deep Learning  
(Udacity class, hands on with tensorflow)
  - CS231n: Convolutional Neural Networks for Visual Recognition  
(Stanford class, available via YouTube)
- Goodfellow, Bengio, Courville: Deep Learning Book.
- Other MIR resources:
  - Jordi Pons: <http://jordipons.me/wiki/index.php/MIRDL>
  - Keunwoo Choi: <https://arxiv.org/abs/1709.04396>
  - Yann Bayle: <https://github.com/ybayle/awesome-deep-learning-music>
  - Jan Schlüter: [http://www.univie.ac.at/nuhag-php/program/talks\\_details.php?nl=Y&id=3358](http://www.univie.ac.at/nuhag-php/program/talks_details.php?nl=Y&id=3358)



“...if you’re doing an experiment, you should **report everything that you think might make it invalid—not only what you think is right about it**: other causes that could possibly explain your results; and things you thought of that you’ve eliminated by some other experiment, and how they worked—to make sure the other fellow can tell they have been eliminated.”

Richard Feynman, *Surely You're Joking, Mr. Feynman!: Adventures of a Curious Character*

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