

**plot\_audio**(*sample\_rate*, *impulse\_response*, *title* = '' )

Given *sample\_rate* and *impulse\_response* as returned by **wavfile.read**( ), this function generates a plot of amplitude over time and a spectrogram of amplitude at each frequency over time.\* The plot title can be changed through string variable *title*.

**perform\_FFT**(*sample\_rate*, *impulse\_response*, *num\_partials* = 10, *threshold* = 0.05, *start* = 2000)

Given *sample\_rate* and *impulse\_response* as returned by **wavfile.read**( ), this function performs fast Fourier transform (FFT) on audio data and extracts prominent frequencies.

*num\_partials* is an integer that specifies the number of partials selected to characterize the sound in FFT. *start* is a floating point number that determines the time in the audio file at which the FFT starts; altering this variable can help circumvent the interference of the striking sound of a percussion instrument in a recording. *threshold* is a floating point number that sets the minimum amplitude at which a frequency is deemed as non-noise and capable of being selected.

This function returns a list of Numpy n-dimensional arrays (ndarray), respectively of all extracted frequencies (*freqs*), their corresponding amplitudes (*amp*), *num\_partials* of the most prominent frequencies sorted by amplitudes (*peak\_freqs*), and the corresponding amplitudes of prominent frequencies sorted in decreasing order (*peak\_amp*).

**plot\_FFT**(*freqs*, *amp*, *peak\_freqs*, *peak\_amp*, *scale* = 'Linear', *title* = '', *x\_lim* = 6000)

Given *freqs*, *amp*, *peak\_freqs*, and *peak\_amp* as returned by **performFFT**( ), this function plots the frequencies extracted by fast Fourier transform. Prominent frequencies generated from **performFFT**( ) are marked by crosses. By default, the y-axis is scaled linearly; this could be changed through *scale* in the parameters. A logarithmic scale is more representative of perception of the human ear. The title and limit of the x-axis of the figure can be changed through variables *title* and *x\_lim*.

**prom\_freq**(*peak\_freqs*, *peak\_amp*)

Given *peak\_freqs* and *peak\_amp* as returned by **performFFT**( ), this function finds the most prominent partial (often the fundamental frequency) of the audio input. A floating point number is returned.

**diss\_measure**(*peak\_freqs*, *peak\_amp*, *high\_ratio* = 4, *title* = '', *show\_ratios* = True)

Given *peak\_freqs* and *peak\_amp* as returned by **performFFT**( ), this function calculates the dissonance at each frequency interval, finds the local minima, and plots the dissonance curve for the given audio input. It returns a list consisting of two Numpy n-dimensional arrays (ndarray), respectively of frequency ratios at local minima on the dissonance curve (*ratios*) and their corresponding sensory dissonance values (*dissonances*).

*high\_ratio* is an optional floating point number that specifies the highest frequency ratio to which the dissonance curve is generated. The title of the figure can be changed through string variable *title*. *show\_ratios* is a Boolean value; if set to `True`, ratios at each local minima are displayed on the graph.

**write\_file**(*peak\_freqs*, *peak\_amp*, *ratios*, *dissonances*, *filename*, *savepath*)

Given *peak\_freqs* and *peak\_amp* as returned by **performFFT**( ), and *ratios* and *dissonances* as returned by **diss\_measure**( ), this function creates and writes in a .txt file that is saved as *filename.txt* in the designated *savepath*. This text file is generated such that it is compatible with the Max patch interface.<sup>†</sup>

**write\_file\_direct**(*sample\_rate*, *impulse\_response*, *filename*, *savepath*, *numpartials* = 10, *threshold* = 0.05, *start* = 2000, *high\_ratio* = 4)

This function serves a similar purpose as **write\_file**( ), which creates and writes in a .txt file that is saved as *filename.txt* in the designated *savepath*. However, unlike **write\_file**( ), this function generates a file directly given *sample\_rate* and *impulse\_response* as returned by **wavfile.read**( ). The .txt file is saved as *filename.txt* in the designated *savepath*.

*numpartials* is an integer that specifies the number of partials selected to characterize the sound in FFT. *start* is a floating point number that determines the time in the audio file at which the FFT starts. *threshold* is a floating point number that sets the minimum amplitude at which a frequency is deemed as non-noise and capable of being selected. *high\_ratio* is an optional floating point number that specifies the highest frequency ratio to which the dissonance curve is generated.