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# **AUDIO TO MIDI CONVERSION**

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## ANALYSIS

### Overview

The Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) is one of the most important mathematical algorithms that exists and its applications have shaped our modern lives. In my project I will be using a Fast Fourier Transform in order to convert a recording of someone playing a piano into a MIDI file of the same recording.

A MIDI (.mid) file is a file format that is commonly used to store and edit compositions of music digitally. It stores which note is being played at which time and for how long, allowing the piece to be built up of the different notes being played at a time. On the other hand, a wave file (.wav) instead stores the magnitude of the wave it can hear through time. When writing and producing music it is often more beneficial to work with midi files as they allow for editing, as the characteristics of individual notes and sounds can be changed. Converting a midi file into a wave file is a simple task, as it only needs to be played through a midi synthesizer and a recording made. However converting in the other direction is a lot more complex, as instead of combining multiple sounds together they instead need to be separated from one another. If this conversion was able to be done easily, then it would be easier for people to edit music without having to use expensive midi instruments to produce the midi files.

In order to take this in and convert it to the note (or notes) being played at a time a Discrete Fourier Transform will have to be performed on the data. This will convert the amplitude over time graph to a graph that shows how much of each frequency is present in a sample. By analysing many samples over the course of the recording my program will be able to determine the note being played and write this to the MIDI file.

### Research

My research was split into 3 different topics: The mathematics and algorithms behind the Fourier Transform, research into the exact format of MIDI and wave files and research into existing solutions that perform this conversion.

During this research phase of my project I found information on a wide variety of sites, here is list of many that I used (All links accessed September 2018):

- [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/MIDI#MIDI\\_files](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/MIDI#MIDI_files)

- <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/WAV>
- <http://www.ccarh.org/courses/253/handout/vlv/>
- <https://youtu.be/qeb4Dc3gpdo>
- [https://youtu.be/\\_7U8hzBNyxk](https://youtu.be/_7U8hzBNyxk)
- [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fourier\\_transform](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fourier_transform)
- <https://www.ams.org/journals/mcom/1965-19-090/S0025-5718-1965-0178586-1/home.html>
- <https://www.recordingblogs.com/wiki/musical-instrument-digital-interface-midi>
- <https://www.recordingblogs.com/wiki/orinj-working-with-midi-files>
- <https://www.avrfreaks.net/forum/how-decode-wav-files-on>
- <https://www.midi.org/specifications/item/table-1-summary-of-midi-message>
- <https://stackoverflow.com/questions/13039846/what-do-the-bytes-in-a-wav-file-represent>
- [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Piano\\_key\\_frequencies](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Piano_key_frequencies)

## WAVE and MIDI

The end result of this project will be a program capable of reading in a .wav file that contains a recording of somebody playing a piece on a piano, process it and then return a .mid file the same piece of piano music. In order to do this I will need to understand exactly how both the .wav and .mid file formats work.

For most applications a wave file is a perfectly adequate way of storing audio data, however its downfalls come in file size and editability. Because of the large amount of data they store they are slow to edit as many different changes must be made to the file to represent a small change in how the sound sounds. Midi on the other hand is extremely easy to edit and tweak as this format only stores what note is being played when. The problem I am trying to solve is turning a recording of music in wave format into midi format in order to edit the music.

So first of all what are MIDI and wave files and how are they different? Well, both are methods of digitally representing sound loosely based on the RIFF format but the similarities end there.

Wave (.wav or .wave) files directly store the uncompressed audio wave that they represent so that a computer may easily reconstruct it. They do this by taking a number of samples

through time of what a microphone can hear, then storing these values one after another in a file. The most common sampling rate for audio is 44.1KHz (44100 samples a second) as this can be used accurately reconstruct a sound wave to the standards of human hearing, as shown by Nyquist's Theorem as the human hearing usually goes up to around 20KHz. This way of storing audio results in a very faithful representation of the original sound, but at the cost of very large file sizes.

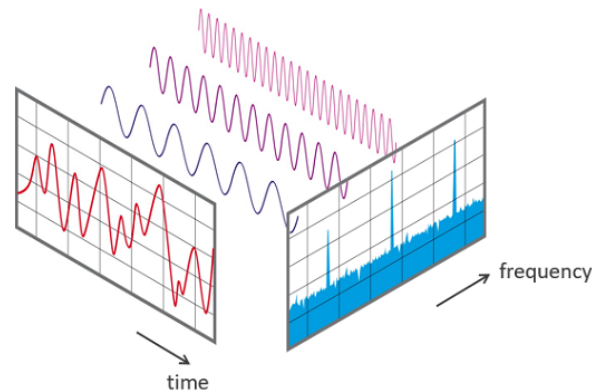
MIDI (.mid) files represent audio in a very different way. They are specialised to store music and instead of representing the sound wave at a particular time they instead store a series of MIDI commands. These commands represent what instrument is playing what note at what time at what volume. This allows for MIDI files to be very easily edited and tweaked as well as allowing them to have incredibly small file sizes, as each command is only a few bytes. However in order to play MIDI files, the machine playing them must have a large number of samples of different instruments playing different notes stored on it so that it knows what to play for each MIDI command. This means that the final quality of the sound being played depends entirely on the device playing the file and not on how the file was recorded as is the case for most other audio formats.

Once the data is read from the wave file and a Fourier Transform performed, the note being played at a particular time must be determined by comparing the found frequencies to the known frequencies of different notes. Once this is done and the start and stop time of the note is known, it can be converted to a MIDI start note command and a MIDI stop note command that can then be written to the MIDI file with the correct delta times. This delta time is a variable length value that stores the time that should be waited before processing the next command in sequence.

## DFT and FFT

To begin my research I looked into the Fourier Transform. This is a mathematical transform capable of splitting complicated periodic functions into their components for easy analysis. A very common application of this is to split a wave through time into its component frequencies, which will be how I plan to use it in this project. There are many other applications of this however, such as in audio editing, image editing, compression and even in our mobile phones. For this project I will need to determine the frequency of a note (or notes) being played at a particular time, so I will need to split the sound wave stored in the .wav file into its frequencies with a Fourier Transform and then analyse these before writing them to the .mid file.

The general Fourier Transform of a function  $f(x)$  is usually defined as  $\hat{f}(\xi)$ , as shown by



**Figure 1:** View of a signal through both frequency and time domains [7]

equation 1. In this case  $x$  would represent time and  $\xi$  represents the frequency of the wave.

$$\hat{f}(\xi) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \cdot e^{-2\pi i x \xi} dx \quad (1)$$

However, the above version of the Fourier Transform only applies to continuous functions. In order to perform a Fourier Transform on a series of data, for example the amplitudes stored in a .wav file, instead a Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT) must be used. This will have the same effect as a Fourier Transform but can be performed on a series of equally spaced samples instead of a function. In order to transform a series of  $N$  complex numbers  $\{x_n\} := x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-1}$  into their Fourier Transform  $\{X_n\} := X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{n-1}$  the following function can be used:

$$X_k = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x_n \cdot e^{-2\pi i k n / N} \quad (2)$$

When actually computed, the DFT is often implemented using matrices to improve efficiency. The samples being transformed are put into a vector and transformation matrix is then constructed, when multiplied together they then result in an output vector of frequencies as shown below in figure 3. When performed in this way the computational complexity of the is  $O(n^2)$ . What this means is that in order to transform  $n$  samples,  $n^2$  calculations must be performed and 2x increase in the number of samples will result in a 4x increase in the number of calculations. This is quite good as far as efficiency goes however it can be improved through the use of a different algorithm for computing the DFT.

$$\text{Let } \omega_N = e^{-2\pi i/N}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{f}_0 \\ \hat{f}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \hat{f}_{(N-1)} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ 1 & \omega_N & \dots & \omega_N^{(N-1)} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & \omega_N^{(N-1)} & \dots & \omega_N^{(N-1)^2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} f_0 \\ f_1 \\ \vdots \\ f_{(N-1)} \end{bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

Instead a Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) can be used which will improve the computational complexity to  $O(n \log n)$ . This FFT algorithm is one of the most important algorithms ever developed and it is ubiquitous in our modern lives. The FFT was first developed in 1805 by Carl Friedrich Gauss in an unpublished manuscript[8], however it was not until 1965 when it was independently rediscovered by Cooley and Tukey[14] that it saw widespread usage. The main idea behind the algorithm is work with a number of samples equal to a power of two. This allows for the Fourier Transform matrix  $\mathbb{F}$  to be split into separate operations for the odd and even indexed samples, and then split again multiple times. This dramatically improves efficiency as many values in the matrices are replaced with zeros meaning that less computations have to be carried out. This process can be seen below:

$$\underline{\hat{X}} = \mathbb{F}_{2^p} \underline{X}$$

$$\underline{\hat{X}} = \begin{bmatrix} I & -D \\ I & -D \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} F_{2^{p-1}} & 0 \\ 0 & F_{2^{p-1}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \underline{X}_{even} \\ \underline{X}_{odd} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Where } D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \omega_N & 0 & \dots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \omega_N^2 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 & \omega_N^{2^p-1} \end{bmatrix}$$



$$F_{2^p} = \begin{bmatrix} F_{2^{p-1}} & 0 \\ 0 & F_{2^{p-1}} \end{bmatrix}$$

With this FFT algorithm each time  $F_{2^p}$  is broken down, the efficiency increase by a factor of two, as half of the resulting matrix becomes zeros.

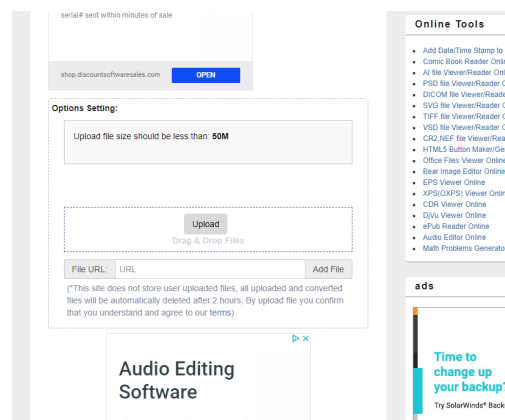
Interestingly even if the number of samples is not exactly a power of 2, it is still dramatically more efficient to pad the samples vector with zeros until a power of two is reached and then perform a FFT than it would be to perform a DFT.

## Existing Solutions

### Bear File Converter

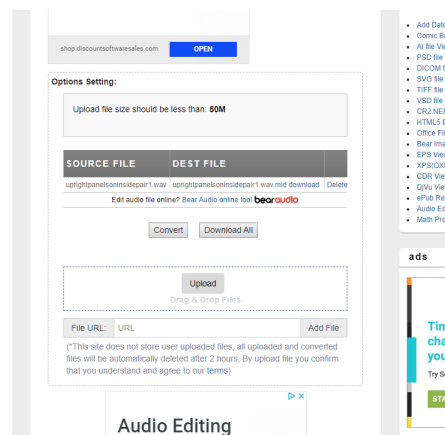
<https://www.ofoct.com/audio-converter/convert-wav-or-mp3-ogg-aac-wma-to-midi.html>

The first solution I found was this website, which allows the user to convert one of a variety (WAV, MP3, OGG, AAC, WMA) of file formats into a MIDI file. Most of this website is covered in advertisements, but a screenshot of the actual conversion UI can be seen below.



**Figure 2:** The Bear File Converter

The website is very simple to use once the options are found on the page, there is an input box to add the URL of web-hosted file or to upload a local file. Once a file has been added options will then appear to add additional files for a batch conversion, convert all added files, to download all converted files or to download an individual file.



**Figure 3:** Bear File Converter Options

Once the converted MIDI files are downloaded they can then be easily played by a MIDI sequencer. This site has a very easy to use interface (once you find it amongst the ads) that makes it very simple to convert a file, however the quality of the final MIDI file varies significantly with the song being converted. Some pieces convert almost flawlessly, with only a few minor glitches, whereas the results of other sound like someone randomly bashing the keys of a piano. From the testing I have done it seems the more chords being played at once and the faster the tempo of the music the more likely it is to "fail" in the conversion, though overall this solution is very robust.

I was unable to test any other existing solutions during my research as the only other solutions I could find were part of expensive software packages (such as Ableton[1], Widisoft[3], Wavesum[2])

## End User

In order to determine the exact features that that my end user will find important I conducted an interview with them, I have included the questions and their responses below:

- Question: What are you going to be using this application for?  
 "I need this program to help me when I am writing music, I like to try out different melodies that I hear on TV or the internet ect to experiment. The problem is my pitch is not very good so I struggle to work out what notes are playing, hopefully this program should help me with this. I'd also like to be able to edit and see the code myself, I don't want something that runs on a server somewhere I'd like to know exactly what is happening to the music that goes through it."

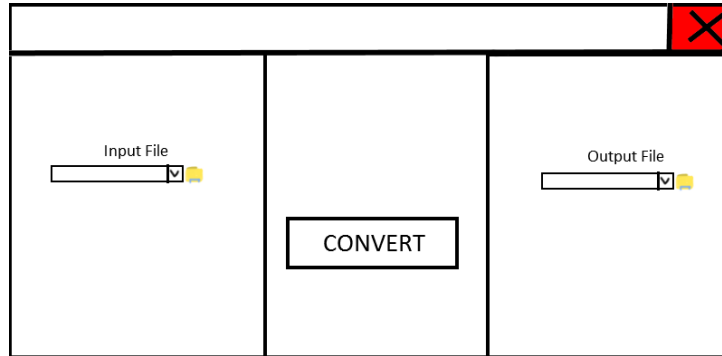
- Question: Are there any particular features that will be important?  
"I need the ability to run this on a multitude of devices, such as my desktop that runs Windows and my laptop that runs Linux. I also would like it to be able to identify different chords, but this isn't that important for me."
- Question: How important is the speed at which it works?  
"I'd like it to be relatively fast, but I don't mind too much if it isn't as I can be working on other ideas when I wait for it to complete."
- Question: Is a GUI an important feature?  
"It would be nice to see but not essential, I use some other command line tools so I would be used to working without a GUI."
- Question: How important is the accuracy?  
"I think getting the different pitches correct is important, I don't mind about the timings being exactly correct as I can more easily edit these from the midi file and what I can hear from the original. Obviously if it gets it completely correct that would be best."

From this I have determined that the end user for this project is a musician who needs a simple solution to music transcription, current .wav to .mid are either part of expensive software packages, are sketchy links on file hosting sites or require uploading the file to a 3rd party server. My client wants a solution that will combat all three of these issues: It must be available to them for free, and not require the installation of an .exe from a potentially unsafe source and be use-able without uploading their new music to a 3rd party. As part of their requirements they need the program to be able to run on both Windows and Linux, be easy to use and quite quick to process.

## **Solution**

My solution will be a GUI based program capable of performing the file conversion of a Wave file to a MIDI file through the use of a Fourier Transform. I will read in a Wave file extract the sampling rate and sample data from it and store it as an object within my program. The program will then move through the file and perform multiple Fourier Transforms on different slices to build up a model of which notes are probably being played at each time. This will be calculated through the use of custom matrix classes. Once this is done, the resulting probabilities will be converted into a MIDI object that will hold the MIDI commands needed to represent the notes. Finally this will be written to a file and a success message displayed to the user.

The GUI will look something like the below image, but this is just a rough mock-up of the UI elements that are needed.



**Figure 4:** GUI Mock-up

## Objectives

1. The program must be able to read the samples from a wave file into an object that represents the samples and information of the file, providing the input file is under a length of 3 minutes.
2. The program should be able to read the amplitudes of the wave object to approximate volume.
3. The program must be able to perform the matrix operations:
  - (a) Addition
  - (b) Multiplication
  - (c) Slicing
  - (d) Concatenation
4. The program must be able to correctly write the results to a midi file.
5. The user must be able to select a wave file to convert using a GUI.
6. The user must be able to select a wave file to convert without using a GUI.
7. The user must receive conformation that the conversion has taken place successfully, or that an error of some kind has occurred.

8. During conversion, the user should have visual feedback in the form of a timer or progress bar to ensure the program is functioning.
9. The program must be able to convert files that have only one note played at a time.

## **Extensions**

As an extension to the above basic functionality, some of the following features could be added to improve the program:

1. The program should be able to correctly pick up on the velocity with which notes are played, relative to each other.
2. The program could be able to convert files that have multiple notes being played at a time.
3. The user could be able to queue the conversion on multiple files.

## **Limitations**

The limitations of this program will likely be in the conversion of wave files that are not of sufficient quality or include other instruments than a piano. These will not be able to be converted as the frequencies they contain will not correctly map to piano notes. The program may also struggle with the conversion of multiple notes being played at the same time in quick succession, as there may not be enough data to work out if a sound is more than one note or not.

## **DOCUMENTED DESIGN**

### **Preliminary Programming and Extra Research**

Before I started work on my final solution I started by making some different test versions of my converter. For this I used the signal processing functions from Numpy instead of implementing them myself as this meant I could easily switch in and out different steps and observe the changes these made to the output without having to re-write each one each time. Before I could start coding anything I had to do some further research into methods that had been tried before, I began by reading through several papers on this topic [9] [10] [11] [12]. I found that there were several different approaches that I could try but there wasn't a know

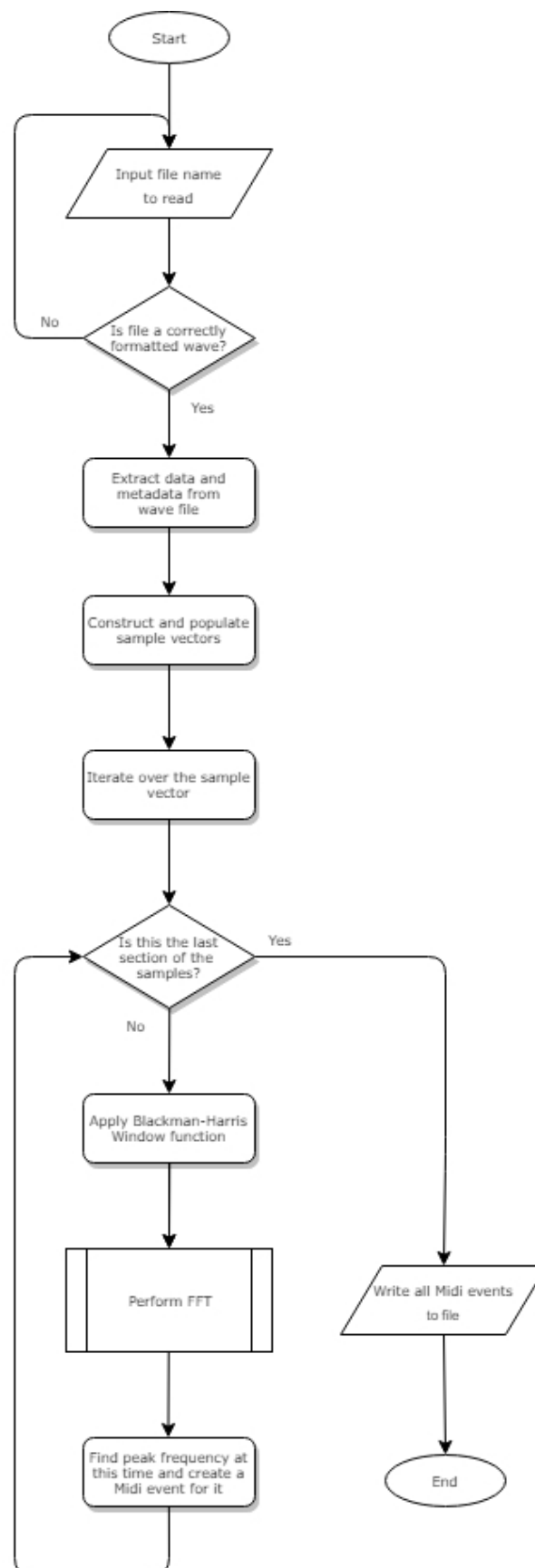
perfect method, so anything that I produce couldn't be perfect in operation. A few methods used auto-correlation whereas others instead just used the FFT and some post-processing so I decided I would need to try out both and see what I could get working. To begin with I tried to determine the pitch at a time using a process called auto-correlation, this involved taking a sample and offsetting it with itself and computing the Pearson correlation coefficient and then storing them into a result list. This process can be sped up by using Fourier transforms by utilising the Wiener-Khinchin Theorem[13]. After implementing this I found that it was very slow and did not give results that were as clear as just using a FFT. Although theoretically this use of autocorrelation should be able to cope with chords better I did not find it as easy to extract the notes from its results, so I ended up not using this method in favour of a pure FFT approach.

Overall I believe that I should be able to match then effectiveness of the Bear file converter, however exceeding its accuracy and speed will be a very difficult task due to the complexity involved in the project I have chosen. There is no known method for transcribing files with 100% accuracy in a reasonable compute time, but my approximation should be enough to meet the needs of my user and therefore enough for the scope of this project.

## Overview

This program will be written in Python 3.7 it provides an easy way of dealing with files and binary, as well as easy rapid prototyping. Although this may not produce a result that is as efficient to run as say Java, it will be a lot easier to produce and extend. Additionally, efficiency is not an absolute priority for this project as evidenced by the answers gained from the questions in the Analysis section.

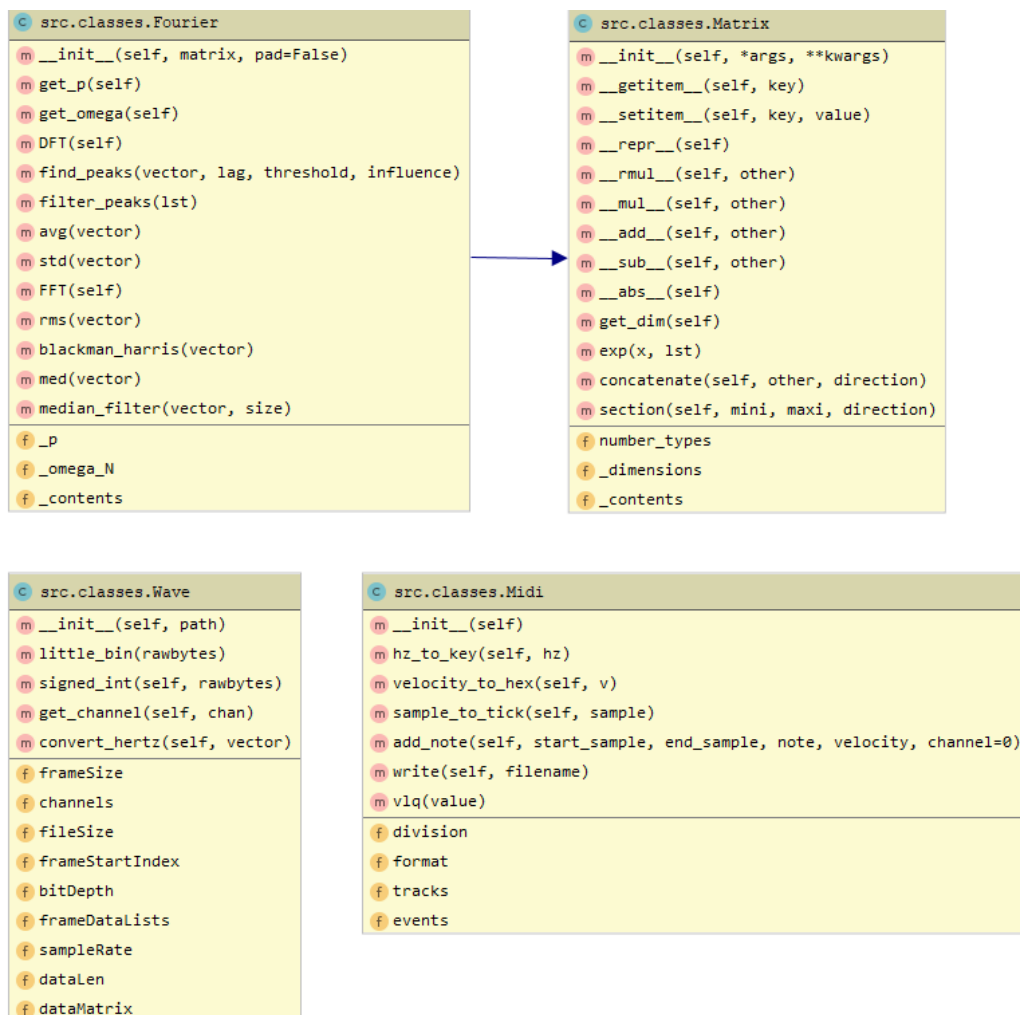
The main algorithm that my program is using is the FFT, the mathematics of which I have briefly explained in my analysis section. This is a recursive algorithm where each step reduces the computational complexity by a factor of two. When applied to a signal through time, it will transform it into a representation of the different frequencies present as mentioned in the analysis. Once a user has selected a file to convert to midi using the GUI, the file will be read in and one track will be separated and stored into a matrix. This matrix will then be iterated over with a sliding window to determine the note at each position. This data will then be turned into midi events, sorted, and written to a midi file. This process is shown in the image overleaf (Figure 5).

**Figure 5:** Program Flow

## Data Structures

I have used an object orientated design structure for this project as it easily allows me to see how the functionality of different sections should interact with each other. I have tried to ensure each class completely encapsulates all of the data it need to work on and that they only interact with each other in ways that I have designed through the used of getter and setter methods. I have also used the convention of underscores to denote the attributes which should remain private to each class in order to ensure any other programmers can easily understand the structure of my code.

This section will now briefly discuss the purpose of each class and the methods that they can perform, Figure 6 shows the inheritance relationships between the different classes, along with their methods and attributes.



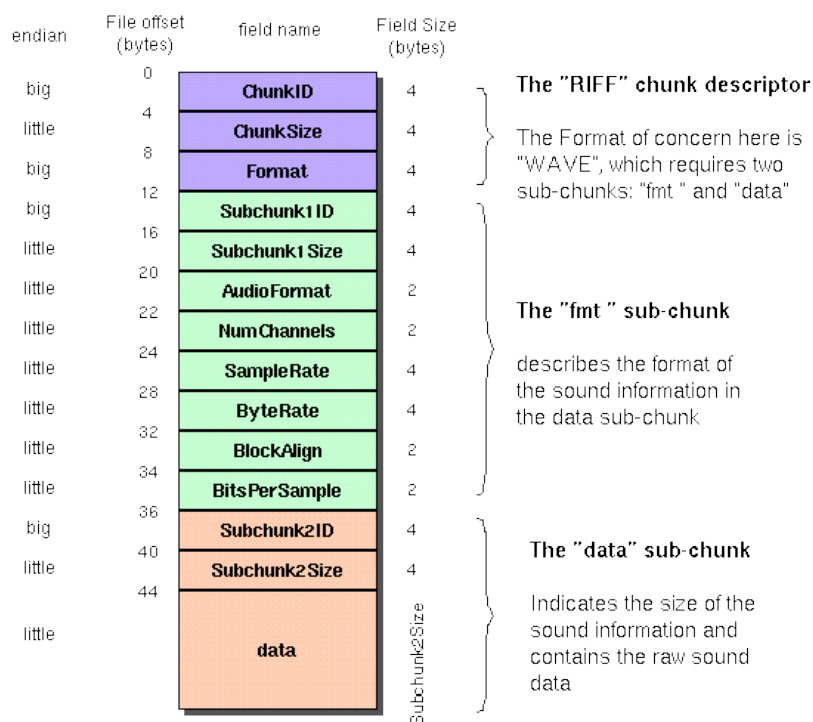
**Figure 6:** Hierarchy Chart



## Wave File

The wave file class deals with the initial input of a .wav file to the program. It reads in the file as binary and carefully parses the file's metadata to ensure it follows a format that the program can understand. Once the relevant information such as sample rate, filesize, number of channels and bit depth have been extracted, each different channel of audio is read and transferred into a separate column within a matrix. In order to understand the exact layout of a wave file I used a reference page [6] from an old Stanford University website. The main information I needed was the layout of the file's header, as this would contain the metadata about the file that I would need to know in order to read in the samples. The wave file format is a subset of the RIFF file format and so consists of a file header followed by a number of data chunks, depending on the amount of data stored. This makes the job of reading the file very easy, as the needed values can be found in set locations defined in the header chunk.

### *The Canonical WAVE file format*



**Figure 7: Wave File Format**

When the data is needed for a conversion, the specified audio channel is then transferred to its own matrix and sent for processing. This class is quite simple in terms of functionality

as it need to only read in wave files, so the only complex methods it has are to do with the conversion of the little-endian hex to signed integers.

Function Name	Inputs	Description
<code>__init__</code>	A file path	The Wave's constructor, loads the wave file from the specified path into an object. Each audio channel is stored into a column in a Matrix.
<code>little_bin</code>	Some Bytes	Converts the provided bytes into an unsigned 32 bit integer, using little endian form.
<code>signed_int</code>	Some Bytes	This converts the bytes into a signed integer, using the bit depth of the file.
<code>get_channel</code>	A channel number	This gets a specific channel of audio, from the Matrix where they are stored.
<code>convert_hertz</code>	A Matrix	This converts a Matrix from an FFT output into the corresponding values in Hz.

## Midi File

The midi file class is used to collect midi events and write them to a specified output file. It can be configured to write with different numbers of tracks and time signatures, although for this project they are set to be 1 and 96 respectively. As the conversion progresses the class will accumulate a list of midi events which it will create from a given start time, length and pitch. Once the process is finished, the events must be prepared for writing by converting their start times and lengths into note on and note off events. Since a midi file is read event by event, each note on/off event also need to be given a delta time so the interpreter/synthesizer knows how long to wait before progressing to the next event. In a midi file these delta times are stored as VLQs (Variable Length Quantity) as opposed to a traditional fixed length binary number. This means that they can use as many bytes as needed to represent an arbitrarily large number without wasting extra bits for leading 0s when storing smaller numbers. However, because each number is represented with a different number of bits, this makes reading in midi files a difficult task as special care must be taken to separate the different values from each other. Luckily for this project only the ability to write midi files is required, so this simplifies things considerably.

The main functions of this class are type conversion, for example the Hz to midi note

formula, sample to tick and variable length quantities. The Hz to midi note conversion makes use of the below formula in order to map a frequency in Hertz to one of the 127 notes that the midi file format supports.

$$\text{Midi note} = 69 + 12 * \log_2(\text{Hz}/440) \quad (4)$$

Function Name	Inputs	Description
<code>__init__</code>	None	Constructs a blank Midi object.
<code>hz_to_key</code>	A value in Hz	This converts a frequency in Hz to the corresponding midi key.
<code>velocity_to_hex</code>	A velocity value	This converts a notes strength to a midi velocity in hex, this is how loud the note is.
<code>sample_to_tick</code>	A sample number	Converts a sample number to a time in midi ticks.
<code>add_note</code>	A start sample, end sample, note, velocity and channel	Adds a note to the list of notes to be written, as a midi event.
<code>write</code>	A filename	Sorts the different midi events by their time and writes them to an output file.
<code>vlq</code>	An integer value	Converts a value to its VLQ equivalent.

## Matrix

The matrix class is a very important data structure as it is used to perform operations required to do the Fast Fourier Transform. Matrices are used to store the samples from the wave file, the intermediary FFT products as well as the final results so they are critical to this project. I have implemented most standard operations that can be done with matrices such as addition, multiplication and subtraction, as well as things such as getting and setting data at specific positions. I have notably not implemented matrix inversion however, as this was not needed for the applications within this project I would be using the matrices for.

There are also some other functions within the matrix class, such as the ability to get a specific vertical or horizontal slice from a matrix using the section method, or to concatenate two matrices into one which are used throughout the program for ease of access.

Function Name	Inputs	Description
<code>__init__</code>	A dimension to fill, or a list of values	The Matrix's constructor, handles forming new Matrix instances and ensuring that the type of data stored in them is valid.
<code>__getitem__</code>	An index	Gets the item from the Matrix at a specified index.
<code>__setitem__</code>	An index and an item	Sets the specified index of the Matrix to an item
<code>__rmul__</code>	Another object	This handles multiplication when the object on the right does not have a method to multiply with a Matrix. This is used for multiplication with integers, floats and complex.
<code>__mul__</code>	Another Matrix	This handles all other types of multiplication, mainly multiplying together two Matrices.
<code>__add__</code>	Another Matrix	This adds another Matrix to the Matrix, item by item.
<code>__sub__</code>	Another Matrix	This subtracts another Matrix from the Matrix, item by item.
<code>__abs__</code>	None	This takes the modulus of each item in the Matrix.
<code>get_dim</code>	None	This returns the dimensions of the Matrix.
<code>concatenate</code>	Another Matrix and a direction	This concatenates another Matrix onto the Matrix, either horizontally or vertically.
<code>section</code>	A start, stop and direction	This takes a slice from the Matrix between the start and stop values in the given direction.

## Fourier

This class inherits from matrix and is used to store the specific data that the transform is applied to just before it is. No methods from the matrix class were overridden, however a few new ones were added in the form of the DFT and FFT functions, Blackman-Harris window and median filter functions. Each of these are needed for a step in the final conversion

process, so whilst not all are strictly Fourier related they are close enough to be put into this class instead of requiring the creation of an additional class.

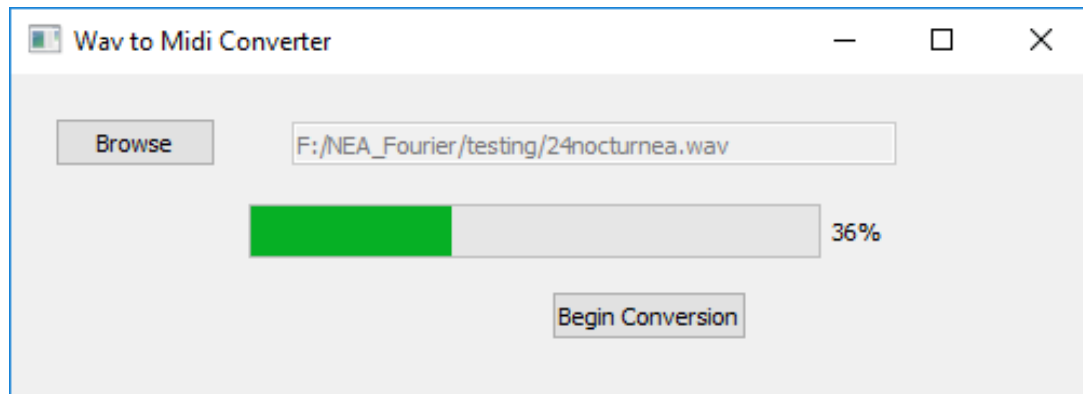
Function Name	Inputs	Description
<code>__init__</code>	A Matrix	Constructs a Fourier object from a Matrix object, also inherits from Matrix.
DFT	None	Performs the DFT over the contents of itself.
<code>find_peaks</code>	A Matrix	Finds the indexes of any peaks in the data of the Matrix and whether they are concave or convex upwards.
<code>filter_peaks</code>	A Matrix	Filters out some peaks from the data if they seem irregular.
<code>avg</code>	A Matrix	Finds the mean average of the data.
<code>std</code>	A Matrix	Finds the standard deviation of the data
FFT	None	Performs a recursive FFT on the Fourier object.
<code>rms</code>	A Matrix	Finds the root mean squared average of the data.
<code>blackman_harris</code>	A Matrix	Performs a Blackman-Harris window on the data.
<code>med</code>	A Matrix	Finds the median average of the data.
<code>median_filter</code>	A Matrix and a size	Performs a median filter over the contents of the Matrix.

## GUIWindow

This class creates and handles the GUI for the project, using the PyQt5 library, it inherits from a QWidget which allows it to easily create and manage a layout to represent itself. It handles the orchestration of the rest of the program, as well as allowing the user to select an input file and displaying a progress bar so they can see how close the program is to completion.

This class has methods that are called when a user clicks buttons on the GUI, as GUIs are event driven. For example when the browse button is clicked a new file browser window is opened and the path of the file the user selects using it is returned. It also has a "main" method that controls the creation and use of the other classes. The structure of this main method follows the program flow chart seen in Figure 5. The GUI also has a progress bar to show how far along the conversion is and the reassure the user that the program has not crashed. In order to achieve this, I have used threading to allow the GUI to run on one thread and the actual conversion to run on a different thread. This means that these two parts of the program can run concurrently in parallel, with the progress bar updating when each note has

been written.



**Figure 8:** The GUI for Running the Converter

Function Name	Inputs	Description
<code>__init__</code>	None	This creates the GUI window.
<code>get_files</code>	None	This opens a file explorer window and returns the path of the file they select.
<code>begin</code>	None	This begins the process of converting the file once the button has been clicked and displays a predicted time of completion. The actual conversion is handled on a different thread to the GUI, to allow it access to more RAM.
<code>main</code>	A path	This handles the actual conversion itself, the different Wave, Midi and Fourier objects are all created and managed here.

## Algorithms and Functions

### Fourier Transform

As mentioned, the backbone of this project relies on the Fast Fourier Transform. In order to make use of this I have implemented the Cooley-Tukey algorithm that I described in my analysis section. The flowchart for this algorithm can be seen in Figure 9 and the psuedocode for this can be seen as Algorithm 2, it makes use of recursion in order to simplify the problem and turn it into something that is much easier to compute. I have implemented this in my code with the use of my custom Matrix classes.

One key point to understand is that the DFT simply represents the method of applying the Fourier Transform shown in Equation 1 to a discrete set of data and is simply a mathematical function, whereas an FFT is a family of algorithms that speed up this process significantly. In this project I have used the Cooley-Tukey algorithm as my FFT and how this works is shown both in the flowchart in Figure 9 and in Algorithm 2. Algorithm 1 shows how the formula for the DFT is applied to a sample containing vector using matrix multiplication, this is taken from the form shown in Equation 3.

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**Algorithm 1** Discrete Fourier Transform
 

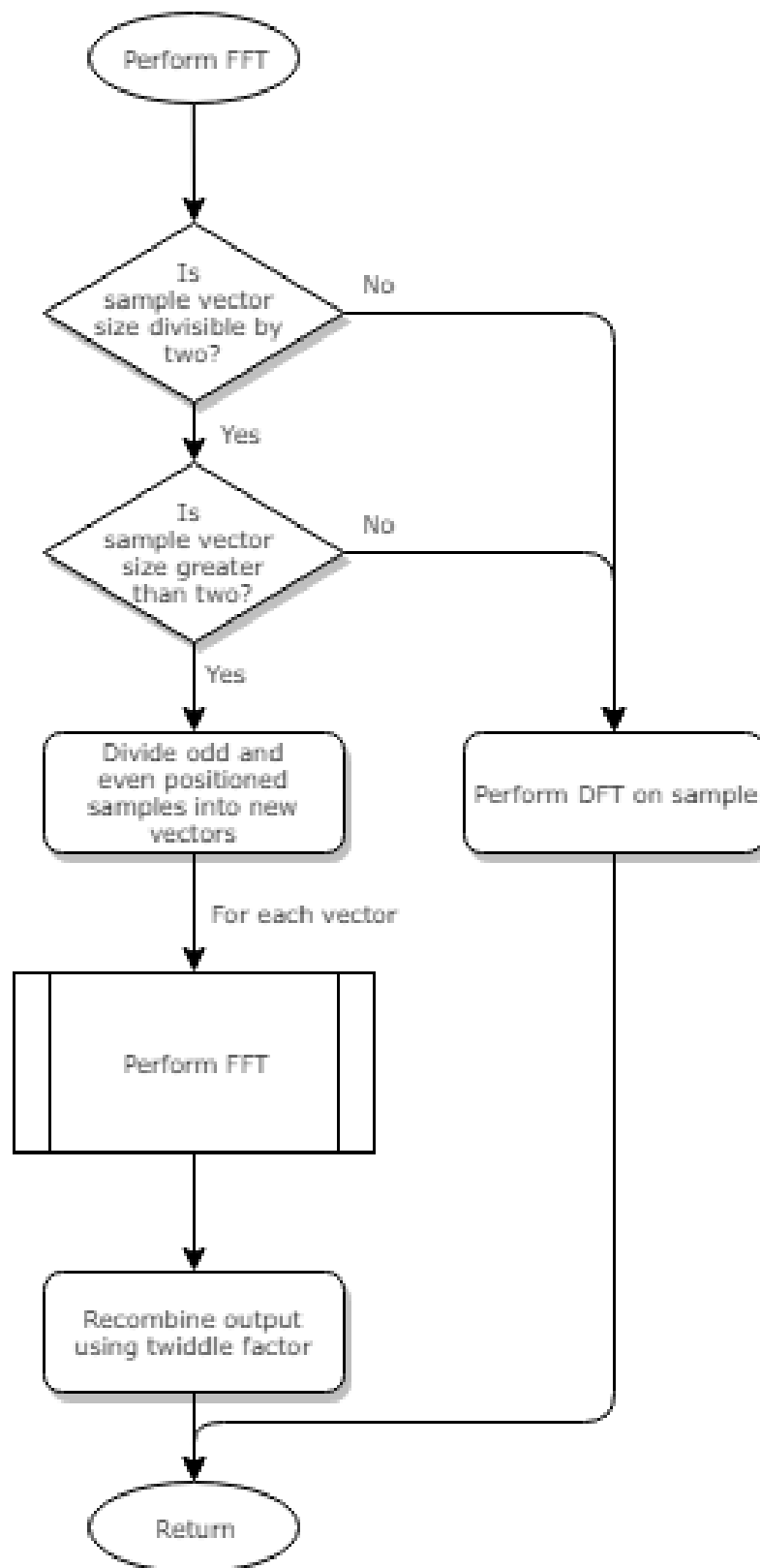
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```

1: procedure DFT(vector)
2:    $N \leftarrow \text{length of } vector$ 
3:    $\omega_N \leftarrow e^{-2\pi i / N}$ 
4:    $matrixDFT \leftarrow$  blank  $N$  by  $N$  sized matrix
5:   for  $x \leftarrow 0, 1, 2, \dots, (N - 1)$  do
6:     for  $y \leftarrow 0, 1, 2, \dots, (N - 1)$  do
7:        $matrixDFT[y][x] \leftarrow \omega_N^{x*y}$ 
   return  $matrixDFT * vector$ 

```

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**Figure 9:** FFT Flowchart



**Algorithm 2** Fast Fourier Transform

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```

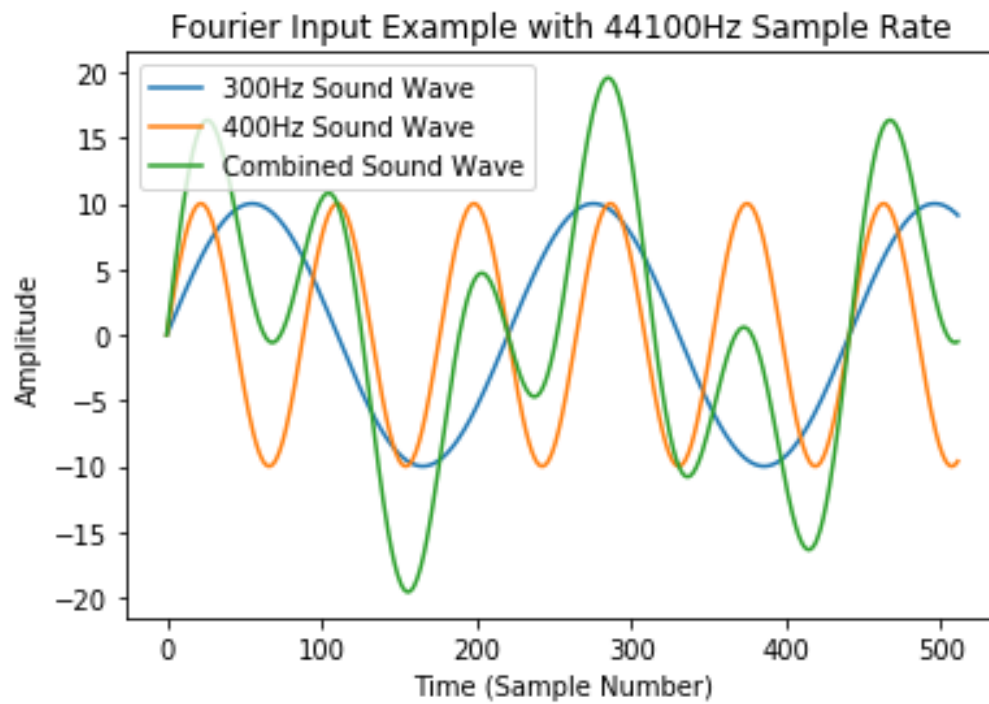
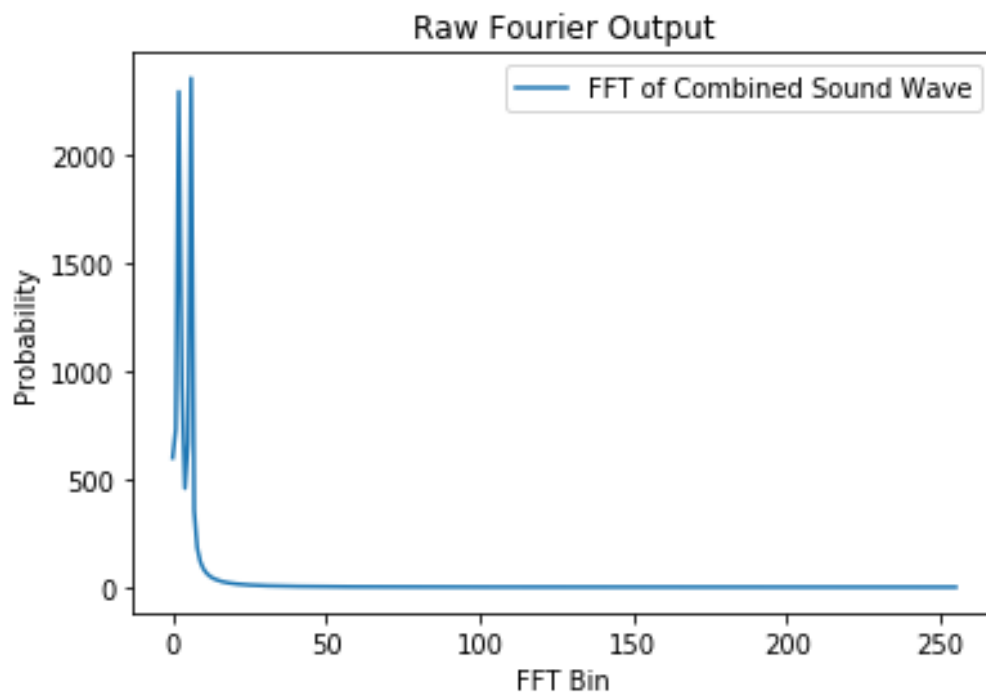
1: procedure FFT(vector)
2:    $N \leftarrow \text{length of } vector$ 
3:   if  $N \leq 2$  then return DFT(vector)
4:   else
5:      $even \leftarrow \text{even positioned values of } vector$ 
6:      $odd \leftarrow \text{even positioned values of } vector$ 
7:      $even \leftarrow \text{FFT}(even)$ 
8:      $odd \leftarrow \text{FFT}(odd)$ 
9:      $powers \leftarrow \text{Matrix}(0, 1, 2, \dots, N-1)$ 
10:     $factor \leftarrow -2\pi i / N$  to the power of each element of  $powers$ 
11:     $firstHalf \leftarrow$  blank  $N / 2$  by 1 sized matrix
12:     $secondHalf \leftarrow$  blank  $N / 2$  by 1 sized matrix
13:    for  $i \leftarrow 0, 1, 2, \dots, N/2$  do
14:       $firstHalf[i] \leftarrow even[i] + odd[i] * factor[i]$ 
15:       $secondHalf[i] \leftarrow even[i] + odd[i] * factor[N/2 + i]$ 
    return concatenation of  $secondHalf$  onto  $firstHalf$ 

```

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To better understand this, an example of the output of this algorithm can be seen below. Figure 10 shows the input to the function in green, this comprises to two sine waves of different frequencies added together. When passed into the Fourier transform it is decomposed into the second function shown in Figure 11. As you can see the Fourier transform has produced two peaks, as the wave it was passed was composed of two different frequencies. The location of these peaks do not exactly match the frequencies of the original wave however, as it depends on the sampling rate of the audio where the peaks show up. In order to get the actual frequency of the wave (in Hz) out, the below formula (Formula 5) must be used for conversion:

$$frequency \text{ in Hz} = \frac{samplerate}{size \text{ of sample}} * \frac{bin \text{ number}}{2} \quad (5)$$

**Figure 10:** Input Wave**Figure 11:** FFT Output

## Median Filter

A median filter is used on the raw results from the FFT in order to help smooth out any smaller peaks due to signal noise, this then helps with identifying the positions of peak frequencies as there is a lesser chance of false positives. A median filter works by sliding a odd-length sized window across the data and replacing the middle value with the median of the numbers in the window. The psuedocode for this can be seen below in Algorithm 3.

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### Algorithm 3 Median Filter

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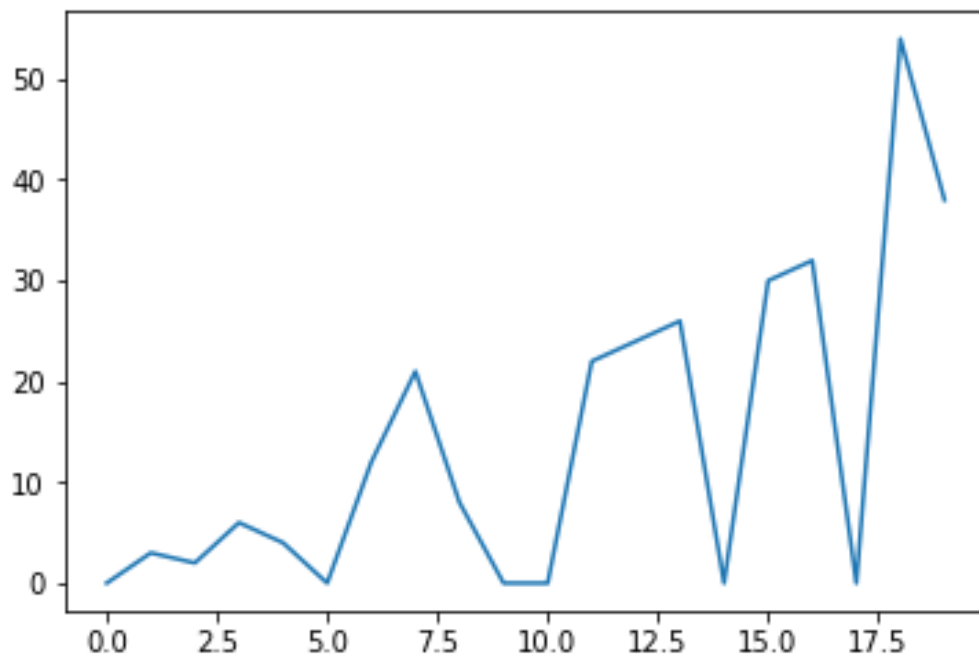
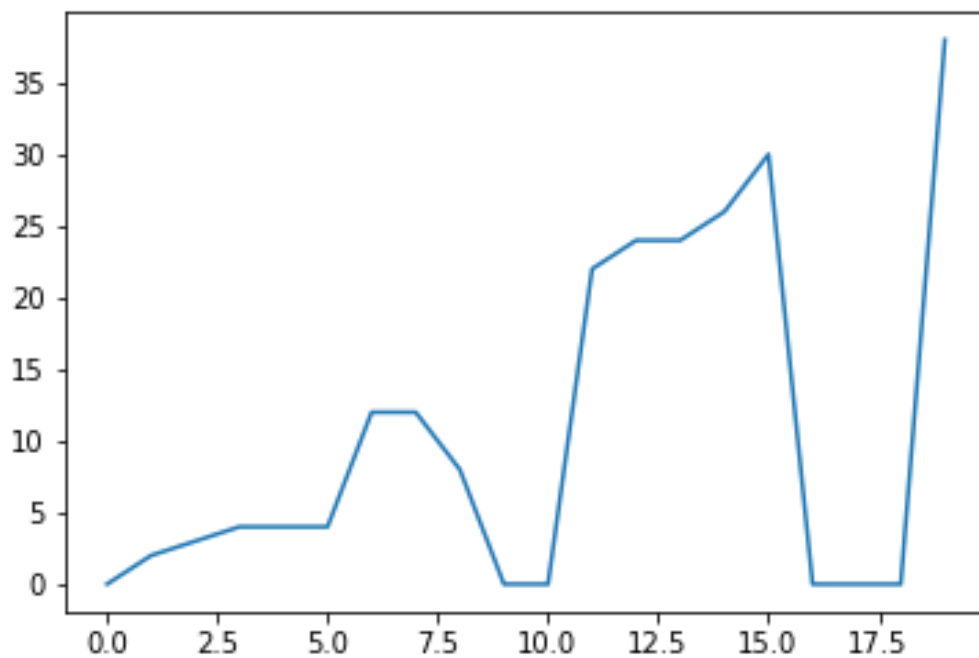
```

procedure MEDIAN FILTER(vector, size)
   $N \leftarrow \text{length of } \textit{vector}$ 
3:  output  $\leftarrow$  blank  $N$  by 1 sized matrix
    output[0][0]  $\leftarrow$  vector[0][0]
    output[ $N - 1$ ][0]  $\leftarrow$  vector[ $N - 1$ ][0]
6:  end  $\leftarrow$  size/2
    for  $i \leftarrow 0, 1, \dots, (N - \textit{end}) - \textit{size}$  do
      window  $\leftarrow$  vector positions  $i$  to  $i + \textit{size}/2$ 
9:  output[end +  $i$ ][0]  $\leftarrow$  median of vector
    return output

```

---

As an example, if passed in the list [0, 3, 2, 6, 4, 0, 12, 21, 8, 0, 0, 22, 24, 26, 0, 30, 32, 0, 54, 38] with a window size of 3, then the output would be [0, 2, 3, 4, 4, 4, 12, 12, 8, 0, 0, 22, 24, 24, 26, 30, 0, 0, 0, 38]. The smoothing that this provides can be seen in the plots overleaf.

**Figure 12:** Input List of Random Numbers**Figure 13:** Output List After Median Filter

### Blackman-Harris Window

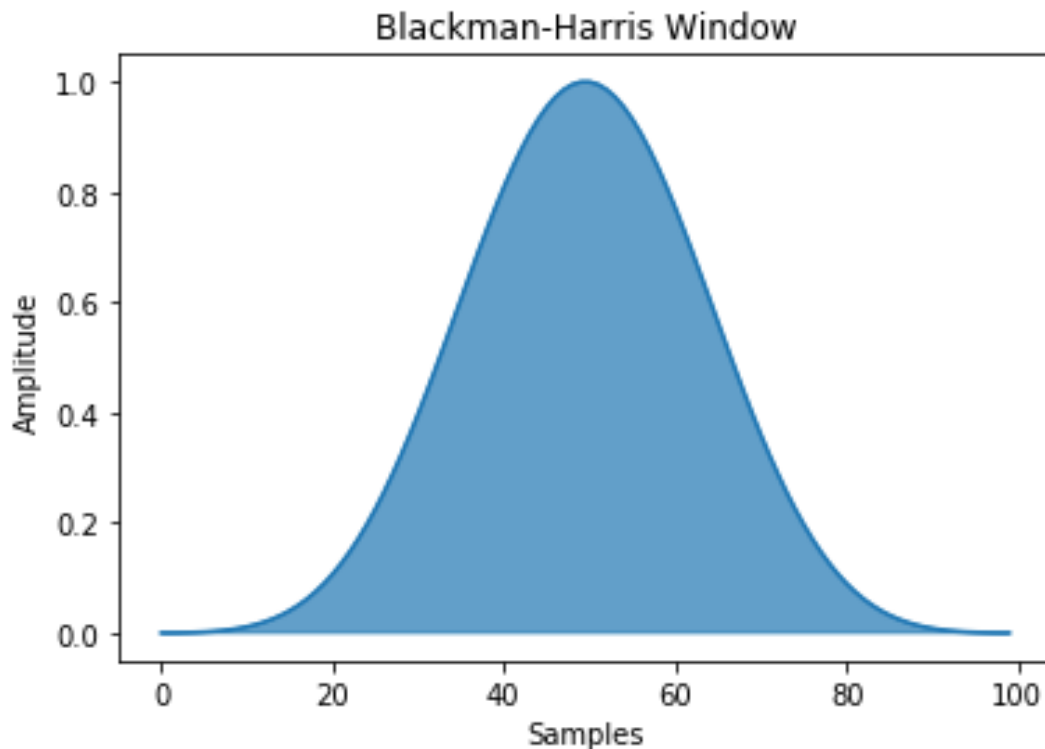
Windowing is a signal processing technique whereby only specific sections of data are processed at a time. For example in the median function algorithm a square window is used to look through the input vector, this involves simply looking through and taking the section of data as-is to be processed. A square window is the most simple kind of window as no further processing is required to make one, it is also sufficient for most applications such as finding a median. However with an FFT the results can be improved by using a more complicated windowing function such as the Blackman-Harris as it puts more emphasis on data towards the middle of the window. Using the Blackman-Harris the final conversion does noticeably improve in quality as it is more easily able to distinguish low-frequency notes from signal noise.

The formula for this window function can be seen below in Figure 14, each value in the raw window is multiplied by the result of this function, where  $N$  is its position in the window. The result of applying this function to a window of 1s can also be seen in Figure 15.

$$w[n] = a_0 - a_1 \cos\left(\frac{2\pi n}{N}\right) + a_2 \cos\left(\frac{4\pi n}{N}\right) - a_3 \cos\left(\frac{6\pi n}{N}\right)$$

$$a_0 = 0.35875; \quad a_1 = 0.48829; \quad a_2 = 0.14128; \quad a_3 = 0.01168.$$

**Figure 14:** Blackman-Harris Function Formula



**Figure 15:** Blackman-Harris Plot

### Peak Finding Algorithm

In order to find all of the peaks in my FFT output I've implemented a peak-finding algorithm. This algorithm will look through the values presented and signal that there is a peak in the data when the new value it sees is more than a certain threshold away from the data it has already seen, with a prioritisation of more recent data points. This algorithm is quite robust and allows for fine-tuning of the different threshold values so I was able to set it up to work best with the data I would be feeding it. Interestingly, the origin of this algorithm was not a scientific paper or something similar, but instead an answer on StackOverflow and can be found here <https://stackoverflow.com/questions/22583391/peak-signal-detection-in-realtime-timeseries-data/22640362#22640362>.

### Postprocessing Example Output

When these extra algorithms are used in conjunction with the FFT, a more clear result can be obtained. For example when provided with the same input wave as shown in Figure 10 on page 19, the difference in outputs can be seen below as 16. The Blackman-Harris window

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**Algorithm 4** Peak Finding Algorithm

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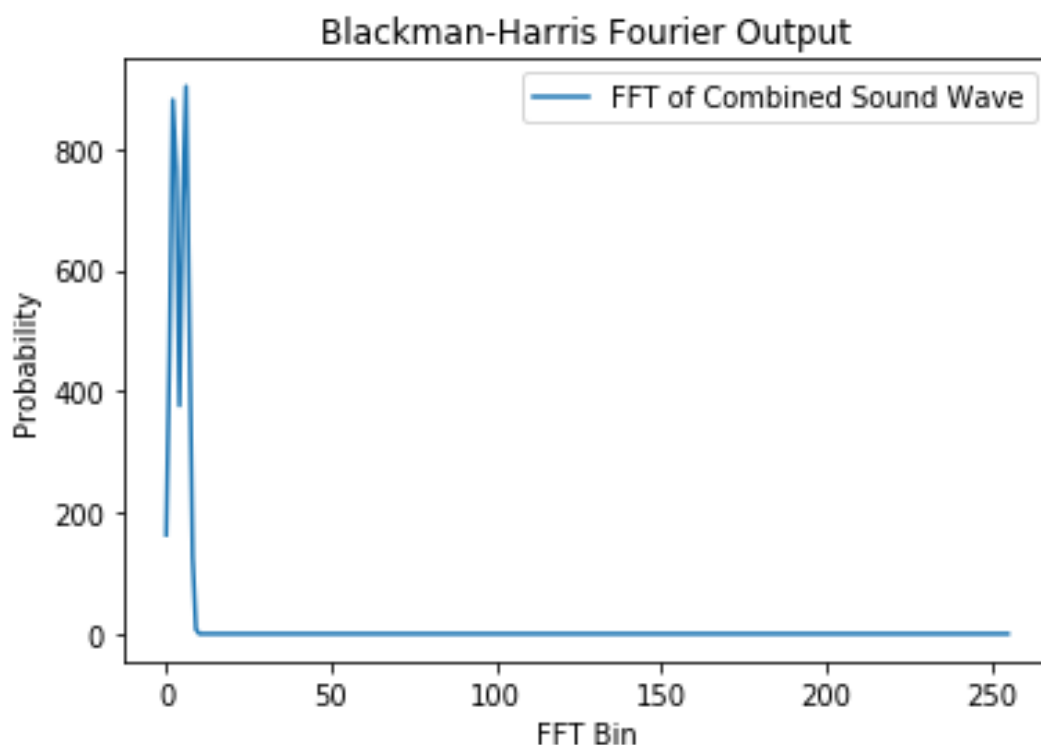
```

procedure FIND PEAKS(vector, lag, threshold, influence)
   $N \leftarrow$  length of vector
  signals  $\leftarrow$  blank  $N$  by 1 matrix
4:  filteredY  $\leftarrow$  vector
    avgFilter  $\leftarrow$  blank  $N$  by 1 matrix
    stdFilter  $\leftarrow$  blank  $N$  by 1 matrix
    avgFilter[ $lag - 1$ ]  $\leftarrow$  average of the first  $lag - 1$  items in vector
8:  stdFilter[ $lag - 1$ ]  $\leftarrow$  standard deviation of the first  $lag - 1$  items in vector
    for  $i \leftarrow (lag + 1), \dots, (N - 1)$  do
      if  $|(vector[i][0] - avgFilter[i - 1][0])| > threshold * stdFilter[i - 1][0]$  then
        if  $vector[i][0] > avgFilter[i - 1][0]$  then
12:      signals[ $i$ ][0]  $\leftarrow$  1
        else
          signals[ $i$ ][0]  $\leftarrow$  -1
          filteredY[ $i$ ][0]  $\leftarrow influence * vector[i][0] + (1 - influence) * filteredY[i - 1][0]$ 
16:      else
        signals[ $i$ ][0]  $\leftarrow$  0
        filteredY[ $i$ ][0]  $\leftarrow$  vector[ $i$ ][0]
        avgFilter[ $i$ ][0]  $\leftarrow$  the average of filteredY from  $i - lag$  to  $i$ 
20:      stdFilter[ $i$ ][0]  $\leftarrow$  the standard deviation of filteredY from  $i - lag$  to  $i$ 
    return signals

```

---

removes some of the smoothing of the raw Fourier output, allowing a computer to more easily determine the peaks in the data.



**Figure 16:** FFT Output with Blackman-Harris

In order to then determine the frequency from this I use the peak finding algorithm. In order to try and identify any chords in the recording, I must look for when there are two different peaks that are not multiples of each other. This is again hard to achieve as algorithmically determining the difference between a chord and noise in the FFT result is very difficult.

## Final Overview

Using all of the above algorithms my program should be able to successfully complete its task of converting a wave file to a midi file. Once the samples have been read in, they will first be iterated over to determine the boundaries between where there is and is not a note. Then each section will be put through a Blackman-Harris window to better represent the frequencies that will be heard, before finally being Fast Fourier Transformed. A median filter will then be used to smooth out the results and then a peak finding algorithm used to



determine the peaks. The position of these will finally be converted into a midi note and then written as a midi event to a file.

## TECHNICAL SOLUTION

### Reference

The below table shows where key features of the program are located in the program. All line numbers refer to the first file *classes.py*, as *gui.py* simply holds the code to run the classes and to display the GUI.

<u>Feature</u>	<u>Line Number</u>	<u>Page Number</u>
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Median Filter	534	49
Midi File Writing	581	51

### classes.py

```

1  import cmath
2  import math
3  import pickle
4  import time
5
6
7  class Matrix:
8      """A n*m matrix class, can be constructed from a list of objects or
9          a 2d list of objects
10         e.g.
11         a = Matrix([[1,2], [3,4]])
12         a = Matrix(m=10, n=10)
13         Methods:

```

```

13         __init__
14         __rmul__
15         __add__
16         __sub__
17     """
18
19     def __init__(self, *args, **kwargs):
20         # Setup initial variables
21         self._contents = []
22         self._dimensions = [0, 0]
23         self.number_types = (int, float, complex)
24         if len(args) == 0 and len(kwargs) == 2:
25             # Construct from given m by n dimensions
26             if kwargs.keys() == {"m": 0, "n": 0}.keys():
27                 if isinstance(kwargs["m"], int) and
28                     ↳ isinstance(kwargs["n"], int):
29                     if kwargs["m"] > 0 and kwargs["n"] > 0:
30                         self._dimensions = [kwargs["m"], kwargs["n"]]
31                         self._contents = [[0 for x in range(kwargs["n"])]
32                                             ↳ for y in
33                                                 range(kwargs["m"])]
34                     else:
35                         raise TypeError("Matrix dimension cannot be less
36                                             ↳ than 0")
37                 else:
38                     raise TypeError(f"""Invalid type for dimensions:
39                                     ↳ [{type(kwargs['m'])}],
40                                     ↳ {type(kwargs['n'])}""")
41             elif len(args) == 1 and len(kwargs) == 0:

```

```

43     # Construct from values
44     if isinstance(args[0], list):
45         if len(args[0]) > 0:
46             # Can construct from list of objects OR
47             # List of lists of objects
48             if isinstance(args[0][0], list):
49                 # If given a list of lists, then it must be valid
50                 n = len(args[0][0])
51                 for x in range(len(args[0])):
52                     if not isinstance(args[0][x], list):
53                         raise TypeError(
54                             "Invalid values for Matrix, must be
55                             ↳ only of type list")
56                     for y in args[0][x]:
57                         if isinstance(y, list):
58                             raise TypeError(
59                                 "Invalid values for 2D Matrix,
60                                 ↳ must not be list")
61                     if len(args[0][x]) != n:
62                         raise TypeError(
63                             "Invalid values for 2D Matrix,
64                             ↳ must not of equal width")
65                 # At this point, valid list of lists so matrix is
66                 ↳ constructed
67                 self._contents = args[0]
68                 self._dimensions = [len(args[0]),
69                                     ↳ len(args[0][0])]
70
71             else:
72                 # At this point a 1D list is detected
73                 for x in args[0]:
74                     if isinstance(x, list):
75                         raise TypeError(
76                             "Invalid values for Matrix, must be
77                             ↳ only of type: list")

```

```

72
73         self._dimensions = [1, len(args[0])]
74         self._contents = [list(args[0])]
75         if all(issubclass(type(x), type(self)) or
76                ↪ issubclass(type(self), type(x)) for x in
77                ↪ args[0]):
78             self._contents = self._contents[0]
79             # And constructed
80
81         elif issubclass(type(args[0]), type(self)) or
82                ↪ issubclass(type(self), type(args[0])):
83             # This if for creating a copy of a matrix, or matrix
84             ↪ subclass
85             self._contents = args[0]._contents
86             self._dimensions = args[0]._dimensions
87         else:
88             raise TypeError(f"Invalid type for Matrix:
89                             ↪ {type(args[0])}, must be list or matrix")
90
91     else:
92         # Don't construct, incorrect information given
93         raise TypeError(f"Invalid input length for Matrix:
94                         ↪ {type(args)},
95                         ↪ must be exactly 1 list")
96
97     def __getitem__(self, key):
98         # Gets the item at a specified index
99         if isinstance(key, int):
100             return self._contents[key]
101         elif isinstance(key, slice):
102             if self.get_dim()[1] == 1:
103                 data = self._contents[key]
104                 return Matrix(data)
105             else:

```

```
100         raise KeyError("Slice not supported for matrices, only
           ↪ vectors")
101     else:
102         raise KeyError
103
104     def __setitem__(self, key, value):
105         # Sets the item at a specified index
106         if isinstance(key, int):
107             if self._dimensions[0] >= key:
108                 self._contents[key] = value
109             else:
110                 raise KeyError
111         else:
112             raise KeyError
113
114     def __repr__(self):
115         return str(self._contents)
116
117     def __rmul__(self, other):
118         # This should handle scalar multiplication only
119         if isinstance(other, list):
120             if len(other) == 1:
121                 other = other[0]
122             if isinstance(other, self.number_types):
123                 result_matrix = Matrix(m=self._dimensions[0],
           ↪ n=self._dimensions[1])
124                 for y in range(len(self._contents)):
125                     if isinstance(self[y], list):
126                         for x in range(len(self[y])):
127                             result_matrix[y][x] = self[y][x] * other
128                     else:
129                         result_matrix[y] = self[y] * other
130
131         elif isinstance(type(other), type(self)) or
           ↪ isinstance(type(self), type(other)):
```

```
132         # Matrix multiplication should be handled by mul not rmul,
133         # if being found here then an error has occurred
134         raise NotImplementedError("Matrix multiplication should be
        ↪ handled by mul")
135     else:
136         raise TypeError
137     return result_matrix
138
139     def __mul__(self, other):
140         if isinstance(type(other), type(self)) or isinstance(type(self),
        ↪ type(other)):
141             if self._dimensions[1] != other.get_dim()[0]:
142                 raise ValueError(f"Cannot multiply matrices of incorrect
        ↪ dimensions, "
143                                f"self n ({self._dimensions[1]}) !=
        ↪ other "
144                                f"m ({other.get_dim()[0]}")
145             else:
146                 # Multiply two matrices with the correct dimensions
147                 x = self.get_dim()[0]
148                 y = other.get_dim()[1]
149                 result_matrix = Matrix(m=x, n=y)
150
151                 # This nested loop will perform all of the multiplication
        ↪ required
152                 for i in range(self._dimensions[0]):
153                     for c in range(other.get_dim()[1]):
154                         num = 0
155                         for j in range(other.get_dim()[0]):
156                             a = self[i][j] * other[j][c]
157                             if num == 0:
158                                 num = a
159                             else:
160                                 num += a
161                         result_matrix[i][c] = num
```

```
162
163     elif isinstance(other, self.number_types):
164         result_matrix = self.__rmul__(other)
165     else:
166         raise TypeError
167     return result_matrix
168
169 def __add__(self, other):
170     if isinstance(type(other), type(self)) or isinstance(type(self),
171         ↪ type(other)):
172         if self.get_dim() != other.get_dim():
173             raise ValueError(
174                 ↪ f"Cannot add matrices of different dimensions, self
175                 ↪ ({self.get_dim()}) != other ({other.get_dim()})")
176         else:
177             x = self.get_dim()[0]
178             y = self.get_dim()[1]
179             result_matrix = Matrix(m=x, n=y)
180             # This simply adds all corresponding matrix indices
181             ↪ together
182             for i in range(x):
183                 for j in range(y):
184                     result_matrix[i][j] = self[i][j] + other[i][j]
185             return result_matrix
186
187     else:
188         raise NotImplementedError(
189             ↪ f"unsupported operand type(s) for +: '{type(self)}' and
190             ↪ '{type(other)}'")
191
192 def __sub__(self, other):
193     if isinstance(type(other), type(self)) or isinstance(type(self),
194         ↪ type(other)):
195         if self.get_dim() != other.get_dim():
196             raise ValueError(
```

```

192         f"Cannot multiply matrices of different dimensions,
        ↪ self ({self.get_dim()}) != other
        ↪ ({other.get_dim()})")
193     else:
194         x = self.get_dim()[0]
195         y = self.get_dim()[1]
196         result_matrix = Matrix(m=x, n=y)
197         # This simply subtracts all corresponding matrix indices
198         for i in range(x):
199             for j in range(y):
200                 result_matrix[i][j] = self[i][j] - other[i][j]
201         return result_matrix
202     else:
203         raise NotImplementedError(
204             f"unsupported operand type(s) for +: '{type(self)}' and
            ↪ '{type(other)}'"")
205
206 def __abs__(self):
207     # This replaces each index in the matrix with its absolute value
208     # It does not represent the determinant of the matrix
209     x = self.get_dim()[0]
210     y = self.get_dim()[1]
211     result_matrix = Matrix(m=x, n=y)
212     for i in range(x):
213         for j in range(y):
214             result_matrix[i][j] = abs(self[i][j])
215     return result_matrix
216
217 def get_dim(self):
218     return self._dimensions
219
220 @staticmethod
221 def exp(x, lst):
222     # This utility function will take every item in a list and raise
    ↪ e

```



```

223     # To the power of that item
224     result = []
225     for i in lst:
226         result += [cmath.exp(x * i)]
227     return Matrix([result])
228
229     def concatenate(self, other, direction):
230         # This function concatenates two matrices together, if they are
231         → matching
232         # dimensions, in either a horizontal or vertical direction
233         other_m, other_n = zip(other.get_dim())
234         other_m, other_n = other_m[0], other_n[0]
235         if not (issubclass(type(other), type(self)) or
236             → issubclass(type(self), type(other))):
237             raise ValueError(f"unsupported type for concatanate:
238             → {type(other)}")
239
240         if direction in ["vertical", "v"]:
241             if not self.get_dim()[1] == other.get_dim()[1]:
242                 raise ValueError
243
244             result = Matrix(m=self.get_dim()[0] + other.get_dim()[0],
245                             n=self.get_dim()[1])
246
247             for y in range(self.get_dim()[0]):
248                 for x in range(result.get_dim()[1]):
249                     result[y][x] = self[y][x]
250
251             for y in range(self.get_dim()[0], result.get_dim()[0]):
252                 for x in range(result.get_dim()[1]):
253                     result[y][x] = other[y - self.get_dim()[0]][x]
254
255         elif direction in ["horizontal", "h"]:
256             if not self.get_dim()[0] == other.get_dim()[0]:
257                 raise ValueError

```

```
255         result = Matrix(m=self.get_dim()[0],
256                           n=self.get_dim()[1] + other.get_dim()[1])
257
258         for x in range(self.get_dim()[1]):
259             for y in range(result.get_dim()[0]):
260                 result[y][x] = self[y][x]
261
262         for x in range(self.get_dim()[1], result.get_dim()[1]):
263             for y in range(result.get_dim()[0]):
264                 result[y][x] = other[y][x - self.get_dim()[1]]
265
266     else:
267         raise ValueError
268
269     return result
270
271 def section(self, mini, maxi, direction):
272     # Takes either a horizontal or vertical slice of the matrix
273     ↪ between
274     # mini and maxi inclusive
275     if direction in ["vertical", "v"]:
276         result = Matrix(m=self.get_dim()[0], n=maxi-mini+1)
277         for i in range(result.get_dim()[0]):
278             result[i] = self[i][mini:(maxi+1)]
279
280     elif direction in ["horizontal", "h"]:
281         result = Matrix(m=maxi-mini+1, n=self.get_dim()[1])
282         for i in range(result.get_dim()[0]):
283             result[i] = self[i+mini]
284     else:
285         raise ValueError(f"Incorrect direction for sectioning:
286                             ↪ {direction}")
287
288     return result
```

288

289 `class Wave:`

290 *"""A representation of a Wave file, must be created from a string  
→ containing the location of a  
291 wave file on disk"""*

292

293 `def __init__(self, path):`294 `with open(path, "rb") as raw_wave_file:`295 `contents = raw_wave_file.read()`

296

297 *# Check the header chunk for correctly set values*298 *#*

→ *<https://blogs.msdn.microsoft.com/dawate/2009/06/23/intro-to-audio-program>*

299 *# The above article is nicely formatted but has a bunch of*

→ *mistakes*

300 `if contents[0:4] != b"RIFF" or contents[8:12] != b"WAVE":`301 `raise TypeError("Specified file is not in wave format")`

302

303 `fileSize = contents[4:8]`304 `self.fileSize = int(Wave.little_bin(fileSize), 2) # This`

→ *correctly calculates filesize*

305 `headerChunk = contents[:12]`

306

307 `fmtSizeRaw = contents[16:20]`308 `fmtSize = int(Wave.little_bin(fmtSizeRaw), 2)`309 *# formatChunk = contents[12:20+fmtSize]*310 *# bytes 12:16 'fmt '*311 `sampleRate = contents[24:26]`312 `self.sampleRate = int(Wave.little_bin(sampleRate), 2)`

313

314 `channels = contents[22:24]`315 `self.channels = int(Wave.little_bin(channels), 2)`

316

317 `frameSize = contents[32:34]`318 `self.frameSize = int(Wave.little_bin(frameSize), 2)`

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319
320     bitDepth = contents[34:36]
321     self.bitDepth = int(Wave.little_bin(bitDepth), 2)
322
323     # bytes 36:40 = "data"
324     dataLen = contents[40:44]
325     self.dataLen = int(Wave.little_bin(dataLen), 2)
326
327     # Read in data from array
328     self.frameStartIndex = 44
329
330     framesNum = self.dataLen / self.frameSize
331     if framesNum.is_integer():
332         framesNum = int(framesNum)
333     else:
334         raise ValueError("Non integer frame number")
335
336     self.frameDataLists = [[] for i in range(self.channels)]
337     for frame in range(framesNum):
338         # Loops through every frame in the wave file and splits apart
339         ↳ the different samples
340         start = self.frameStartIndex + frame * self.frameSize
341         end = self.frameStartIndex + (frame + 1) * self.frameSize
342         data = contents[start:end]
343         if not len(data) == self.channels * self.bitDepth // 8:
344             raise ValueError("Invalid bit depth")
345         n = self.bitDepth // 8
346         samples = [data[i:i + n] for i in range(0, len(data), n)]
347         for i in range(self.channels):
348             ↳ self.frameDataLists[i].append([self.signed_int(samples[i])])
349
350     self.dataMatrix = Matrix(self.frameDataLists[0])
351     for channel in range(len(self.frameDataLists)): # Finally stores
352         ↳ the sample filled channels into a Matrix

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```
351         ↪ self.dataMatrix.concatenate(Matrix(self.frameDataLists[channel]),
352         ↪ "h")
353
354     @staticmethod
355     def little_bin(rawbytes):
356         """Returns the binary representation of an unsigned 32 bit
357         ↪ integer,
358         ↪ from little endian hex"""
359         bytez = []
360         for i in rawbytes:
361             bytez.append(hex(i)[2:].zfill(2))
362         hexstr = "".join(bytez[::-1])
363         result = ""
364         for x in hexstr:
365             digits = bin(int(x, 16))[2:].zfill(4)
366             result += digits
367         return result
368
369     def signed_int(self, rawbytes):
370         """Returns the integer representation of a signed integer,
371         ↪ from binary"""
372         if self.bitDepth == 8 or self.bitDepth == 16:
373             binary = Wave.little_bin(rawbytes)
374             if binary[0] == "1":
375                 res = -32768 + int(Wave.little_bin(rawbytes)[1:], 2)
376             else:
377                 res = int(Wave.little_bin(rawbytes), 2)
378             return res
379
380         elif self.bitDepth == 32:
381             # Data is a float (-1.0f ro 1f)
382             raise NotImplementedError("Cannot read 32 bit wave file")
383
384     def get_channel(self, chan):
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```
383         return self.dataMatrix.section(chan, chan, "v")
384
385     def convert_hertz(self, vector):
386         """Converts a fourier transform output index to its value in
387         ↳ Hz"""
388         N = vector.get_dim()[0]
389         T = N / self.sampleRate
390         df = 1 / T
391         result = Matrix(m=N, n=1)
392         for n in range(N):
393             if n < N / 2:
394                 result[n][0] = df * n // 2
395             else:
396                 result[n][0] = df * (n - N) // 2
397         return result
398
399     class Fourier(Matrix):
400         """Performs a fourier transform on one Matrix of time domain values
401         ↳ and returns a Matrix of
402         frequency domain values"""
403
404         def __init__(self, matrix, pad=False):
405             super().__init__(matrix)
406             self._p = math.ceil(math.log(matrix.get_dim()[0], 2))
407             # This sets up the inheritance from the marix class and pads the
408             ↳ matrix
409             # if required
410
411             if pad:
412                 length = 2**self._p - matrix.get_dim()[0]
413                 if length > 0:
414                     left = math.ceil(length/2)
415                     right = length//2
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414         self._contents = Matrix(m=left, n=1).concatenate(self,
415             - "v").concatenate(Matrix(m=right, n=1), "v")._contents
416
417         self._dimensions[0] = 2**self._p
418
419         self._omega_N = cmath.exp(-2j * math.pi / self.get_dim()[0])
420
421     def get_p(self):
422         return int(self._p)
423
424     def get_omega(self):
425         return self._omega_N
426
427     def DFT(self):
428         # Performs a DFT on itself
429         N = self.get_dim()[0]
430         operator = Matrix(m=N, n=N)
431         for x in range(N):
432             for y in range(N):
433                 operator[y][x] = self._omega_N ** (x * y)
434         return operator * self
435
436     @staticmethod
437     def find_peaks(vector, lag, threshold, influence):
438         """Peak detection algorithm from
439         - https://stackoverflow.com/questions/22583391/peak-signal-detection-in-realtime-ti
440         signals = Matrix(m=vector.get_dim()[0], n=1)
441         filteredY = vector
442         avgFilter = Matrix(m=vector.get_dim()[0], n=1)
443         stdFilter = Matrix(m=vector.get_dim()[0], n=1)
444         avgFilter[lag-1] = Fourier.avg(vector.section(0, lag-1, "h"))
445         stdFilter[lag-1] = Fourier.std(vector.section(0, lag-1, "h"))
446
447         for i in range(lag+1, vector.get_dim()[0]):

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446         if abs(vector[i][0] - avgFilter[i-1][0]) > threshold *
            ↳ stdFilter[i-1][0]:
447             if vector[i][0] > avgFilter[i-1][0]:
448                 signals[i][0] = 1
449             else:
450                 signals[i][0] = -1
451             filteredY[i][0] = influence*vector[i][0] +
            ↳ (1-influence)*filteredY[i-1][0]
452
453         else:
454             signals[i][0] = 0
455             filteredY[i][0] = vector[i][0]
456
457         avgFilter[i][0] = Fourier.avg(filteredY.section(i-lag, i,
            ↳ "h"))
458         stdFilter[i][0] = Fourier.std(filteredY.section(i-lag, i,
            ↳ "h"))
459
460     return signals
461
462     @staticmethod
463     def filter_peaks(lst):
464         # This function filters peaks based on difference from preceding
            ↳ peaks
465         lst = list(lst)
466         result_list = []
467         while len(lst) > 0:
468             temp = [[lst.pop(0)]]
469             while len(lst) > 0 and abs(Fourier.avg(Matrix(temp)) -
            ↳ lst[0]) < 6*len(temp):
470                 temp.append([lst.pop(0)])
471             result_list.append(int(Fourier.avg(Matrix(temp))))
472         return result_list
473
474     @staticmethod

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475     def avg(vector):
476         # Calculates the mean of a vector
477         n = vector.get_dim()[0]
478         total = sum([i[0] for i in vector._contents])
479         return total / n
480
481     @staticmethod
482     def std(vector):
483         # Calculates the standard deviation of a vector
484         n = vector.get_dim()[0]
485         total = sum([i[0]**2 for i in vector])
486         return math.sqrt(total / n - Fourier.avg(vector)**2)
487
488     def FFT(self):
489         N = self.get_dim()[0]
490         if N <= 2:
491             return self.DFT()
492         else:
493             even, odd = self[:,2], self[1::2]
494             even, odd = Fourier(Matrix(even)), Fourier(Matrix(odd))
495             even, odd = even.FFT(), odd.FFT()
496
497             factor = Fourier.exp(-2j * math.pi / N, list(range(N)))
498
499             first = Matrix(m=even.get_dim()[0], n=even.get_dim()[1])
500             second = Matrix(m=even.get_dim()[0], n=even.get_dim()[1])
501
502             for i in range(even.get_dim()[0]):
503                 first[i][0] = even[i][0] + factor[0][:N // 2][i] *
                    - odd[i][0]
504                 second[i][0] = even[i][0] + factor[0][N // 2:][i] *
                    - odd[i][0]
505
506             return Fourier(first.concatenate(second, "v"))
507

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508     @staticmethod
509     def rms(vector):
510         # Determines the root-mean-square of a vector
511         return math.sqrt(sum([i[0] ** 2 for i in vector]) /
512                             vector.get_dim()[0])
513
514     @staticmethod
515     def blackman_harris(vector):
516         # Applies a blackman-harris window function to the vector
517         a = [0.35875, 0.48829, 0.14128, 0.01168]
518         N = vector.get_dim()[0]
519         result = Fourier(Matrix(m=N, n=1))
520         for i in range(N):
521             window = a[0] - a[1] * math.cos((2 * math.pi * i) / (N - 1))
522                     + a[2] * math.cos(
523                         (4 * math.pi * i) / (N - 1)) - a[3] * math.cos((6 *
524                             math.pi * i) / (N - 1))
525             result[i][0] = window * vector[i][0]
526         return result
527
528     @staticmethod
529     def med(vector):
530         # Finds the median of a vector
531         values = sorted([i[0] for i in vector])
532         if len(values) % 2 == 0:
533             x = values[len(values) // 2 - 1:len(values) // 2 + 1]
534             return sum(x) / 2
535         else:
536             return values[len(values) // 2]
537
538     @staticmethod
539     def median_filter(vector, size):
540         # Performs a median filter over the vector
541         y = Matrix(m=vector.get_dim()[0], n=1)
542         y[0][0] = vector[0][0]

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540     y[vector.get_dim()[0] - 1][0] = vector[vector.get_dim()[0] -
541         ↪ 1][0]
542     end = size / 2
543     for i in range(int(vector.get_dim()[0] - end) - size):
544         # print(vector.get_dim()[0], i+size-1, i,
545             ↪ int(vector.get_dim()[0]-end))
546         window = vector.section(i, i + size - 1, "h")
547         y[int(end + i)][0] = Fourier.med(window)
548     return y
549
550 class Midi:
551     """A representation of a midi file,
552         can be written to an actual file through use of .write(filename)"""
553
554     def __init__(self):
555         # These values are constant for the midi file output
556         self.format = 0
557         self.tracks = 1
558         self.division = 96
559         self.events = [(0, 0)]
560
561     def hz_to_key(self, hz):
562         x = int(69 + 12 * math.log(hz / 440, 2))
563         if x not in list(range(128)):
564             print(f"broken {x}")
565         return hex(x)[2:]
566
567     def velocity_to_hex(self, v):
568         return "40" # Different velocities have been disabled as they
569             ↪ did not
570             # improve sound quality
571
572     def sample_to_tick(self, sample):
573         return int(int(sample) // (44100 / (2 * self.division)))

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572
573 def add_note(self, start_sample, end_sample, note, velocity,
    ↪ channel=0):
574     # At 120 BPM, 1s = 2b
575     # 96 ticks per 1/4 note
576     # 230 samples per tick
577     note_on = "9" + hex(channel)[2:] + self.hz_to_key(note) +
    ↪ self.velocity_to_hex(velocity)
578     note_off = "8" + hex(channel)[2:] + self.hz_to_key(note) + "40"
579     if int(end_sample) - int(start_sample) > 1000: # This filters out
    ↪ very short notes as noise
580         self.events.append((self.sample_to_tick(start_sample),
    ↪ note_on))
581         self.events.append((self.sample_to_tick(end_sample),
    ↪ note_off))
582
583 def write(self, filename):
584     # Prepare file header
585     header = "4d54686400000006"
586     header += hex(self.format)[2:].zfill(4)
587     header += hex(self.tracks)[2:].zfill(4)
588     header += hex(self.division)[2:].zfill(4)
589
590     # Prepare track data
591     track_data = ""
592     ordered_events = list(sorted(self.events, key=lambda tup:
    ↪ tup[0]))
593     delta_times = [ordered_events[i][0] - ordered_events[i - 1][0]
    ↪ for i in
594                     range(1, len(ordered_events))]
595     delta_vlq = [Midi.vlq(i) for i in delta_times]
596     for index, event in enumerate(ordered_events):
597         if index != 0: # Empty event to begin
598             track_data += delta_vlq[index - 1] + event[1]
599
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600     track_data += "19ff2f0000ff2f00"  # End of track event
601
602     # Prepare track header
603     track_header = "4d54726b"
604     track_header += hex(len(track_data) // 2)[2:].zfill(8)
605
606     # Write file
607     final_hex_string = header + track_header + track_data
608     with open(filename, "wb") as midi_file:
609         midi_file.write(bytearray.fromhex(final_hex_string))
610
611     @staticmethod
612     def vlq(value):
613         # This converts an integer into a binary variable length quantity
614         bits = list(bin(value)[2:])
615         while len(bits) % 7 != 0:
616             bits = ["0"] + bits
617         rev_bits = bits[::-1]
618         result = []
619         for i, value in enumerate(rev_bits):
620             result.append(value)
621             if (i + 1) == 7:
622                 result.append("0")
623             elif (i + 1) % 7 == 0:
624                 result.append("1")
625         binary_str = "".join(result)[::-1]
626         hex_result = [hex(int(binary_str[i:i + 4], 2))[2:] for i in
627                        range(0, len(binary_str), 4)]
628         return "".join(hex_result)
629
630 if __name__ == '__main__':
631     filename = "blind.wav"
632
```

```
633     # Sets the fourier size and increment values, experimentally these
        ↪ seem good
634     FOURIER_SIZE = 2048
635     FOURIER_INCREMENT = 256
636
637     print(f"\nProcessing begun on file '{filename}', this will take a
        ↪ while.\n")
638
639     # This creates a cache of the file, if it needs to be converted again
640     loadStartTime = time.time()
641     try:
642         with open(filename[:-4] + ".pickle", "rb") as file:
643             print("Cached file version found!\n")
644             wave_file = pickle.load(file)
645     except FileNotFoundError:
646         print("No cache found.\n")
647         wave_file = Wave(filename)
648         with open(filename[:-4] + ".pickle", "wb") as file:
649             pickle.dump(wave_file, file,
                ↪ protocol=pickle.HIGHEST_PROTOCOL)
650     loadEndTime = time.time()
651     print(f"* Wave load complete. Elapsed time {loadEndTime -
        ↪ loadStartTime} seconds.")
652
653     wave_channel = wave_file.get_channel(0)
654
655     results_lst = []
656     for offset in range((int(wave_channel.get_dim()[0]) - (
657         FOURIER_SIZE - FOURIER_INCREMENT)) // FOURIER_INCREMENT):
658         signal = Fourier(wave_channel.section(offset * FOURIER_INCREMENT,
659             (offset * FOURIER_INCREMENT
                ↪ + FOURIER_SIZE) - 1,
660             "h"), pad=True)
661         results_lst.append(Fourier.rms(signal))
662
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663     v = Matrix([[i] for i in results_lst])
664     x = [i[0] for i in Fourier.find_peaks(v, 10, 3, 0.1)]
665     dividers = []
666     prev = 0
667     for i in range(1, len(x)):
668         if x[i] == 1 and x[i - 1] == 0:
669             if i - prev > 25:
670                 prev = i
671                 dividers.append(i)
672     dividers.append(len(x))
673
674     noteEndTime = time.time()
675     print(f"* Note partitioning complete. Elapsed time {noteEndTime -
676         ↳ loadEndTime} seconds.")
677
678     midi_file = Midi()
679
680     if len(dividers) > 0:
681         start = 0
682         total = len(dividers)
683         # Splits the file into each seperate note section
684         for j in dividers:
685             current = dividers.index(j)
686             end = j * FOURIER_INCREMENT
687             # Moves over each note and determines its pitch
688             if start != end:
689                 signal = Fourier(wave_channel.section(start, (end) - 1,
690                     ↳ "h"), pad=True)
691                 signal = Fourier.blackman_harris(signal)
692                 corr = abs(Fourier.FFT(signal))
693                 post = Fourier.median_filter(corr, 15).section(0,
694                     ↳ corr.get_dim()[0] // 2, "h")
695
696                 value = max([i[0] for i in post])
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695         pos = post._contents.index([value])
696         hz_post = wave_file.convert_hertz(post)
697         if hz_post[pos][0] > 0:
698             midi_file.add_note(start, end, hz_post[pos][0], 40)
699         start = end
700
701     else:
702         length = 2 ** int(math.log(wave_file.get_data()[0].get_dim()[0] -
703             ↪ 1, 2))
704         signal = Fourier(wave_channel.section(0, length - 1, "h"),
705             ↪ pad=True)
706         corr = abs(Fourier.autocorrelation(signal))
707         post = Fourier.median_filter(corr, 15).section(0,
708             ↪ corr.get_dim()[0] // 2, "h")
709
710     fourierEndTime = time.time()
711     print(
712         f"* Fourier transforms complete. Elapsed time {fourierEndTime -
713             ↪ noteEndTime} seconds.")
714
715     # Completes the conversion and writes out the results
716     midi_file.write(filename[:-4] + ".mid")
717     endEndTime = time.time()
718     print(f"* Midi file write complete. Elapsed time {endEndTime -
719         ↪ fourierEndTime} seconds.")
720     print(f"Total elapsed time {endEndTime - loadStartTime} seconds.")

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## gui.py

```

1  import os
2  import pickle
3  import sys
4  import time
5  import math
6  import threading

```



```
7
8  from classes import Matrix, Fourier, Wave, Midi
9  from PyQt5 import QtWidgets, QtCore
10
11
12  class Window(QtWidgets.QWidget):
13      def __init__(self):
14          QtWidgets.QWidget.__init__(self)
15          self.queue = []
16
17          # Setup Browse Button
18          self.btn = QtWidgets.QPushButton('Browse', self)
19          self.btn.move(20, 20)
20          self.btn.clicked.connect(self.get_files)
21          # Setup Enqueue Button
22          self.btn = QtWidgets.QPushButton('En-Queue', self)
23          self.btn.move(20, 60)
24          self.btn.clicked.connect(self.enqueue)
25          # Setup Dequeue Button
26          self.btn = QtWidgets.QPushButton('De-Queue', self)
27          self.btn.move(20, 100)
28          self.btn.clicked.connect(self.dequeue)
29          # Setup File Queue Indicator
30          self.label = QtWidgets.QLabel("File(s) in queue: 0", self)
31          self.label.move(360, 105)
32          # Setup Begin Button
33          self.start_btn = QtWidgets.QPushButton('Begin Conversion', self)
34          self.start_btn.move(230, 100)
35          self.start_btn.clicked.connect(self.begin)
36          # Setup Path Display Box
37          self.le = QtWidgets.QLineEdit(self)
38          self.le.move(130, 22)
39          self.le.resize(315, 20)
40          self.le.setDisabled(True)
41          # Setup Progress Bar
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42     self.progress = QtWidgets.QProgressBar(self)
43     self.progress.setGeometry(130, 60, 350, 25)
44     self.progress.setMaximum(100)
45     # Create Window
46     self.setGeometry(300, 300, 500, 150)
47     self.setWindowTitle('Wav to Midi Converter')
48     self.show()
49
50     def get_files(self):
51         # Opens a dialog box to select a file
52         fileName, _ = QtWidgets.QFileDialog.getOpenFileName(self, 'Single
53             ↪ File', QtCore.QDir.rootPath() , '*.wav')
54         self.le.setText(fileName)
55
56     def enqueue(self):
57         path = self.le.text()
58         self.queue.append(path)
59         self.label.setText(f"File(s) in queue: {len(self.queue)}")
60
61     def dequeue(self):
62         if len(self.queue) > 0:
63             self.queue.pop(-1)
64             self.label.setText(f"File(s) in queue: {len(self.queue)}")
65
66     def begin(self):
67         # Begins the conversion, using a seperate thread to increase
68         ↪ available memory
69         if len(self.queue) == 0:
70             path = self.le.text()
71             filename = path[-path[::-1].index("/"):]
72             filesize = os.path.getsize(path)
73             time_est = int(filesize * 0.0004161731354229695)
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72         QtWidgets.QMessageBox.question(self, 'Alert', f"Coversion has
        ↳ begun on {filename}, this may take a long time.\nEstimate
        ↳ of {time_est}s", QtWidgets.QMessageBox.Ok,
        ↳ QtWidgets.QMessageBox.Ok)
73     thread = threading.Thread(target=self.main, args=(path,))
74     thread.start()
75     else:
76         for p in self.queue:
77             path = p
78             filename = path[-path[::-1].index("/"):]
79             filesize = os.path.getsize(path)
80             time_est = int(filesize * 0.0004161731354229695)
81             QtWidgets.QMessageBox.question(self, 'Alert', f"Coversion
        ↳ has begun on {filename}, this may take a long
        ↳ time.\nEstimate of {time_est}s",
        ↳ QtWidgets.QMessageBox.Ok, QtWidgets.QMessageBox.Ok)
82             thread = threading.Thread(target=self.main, args=(path,))
83
84
85     def main(self, path):
86         filename = path[-path[::-1].index("/"):]
87
88         # Sets the fourier size and increment values, experimentally
        ↳ these seem good
89         FOURIER_SIZE = 2048
90         FOURIER_INCREMENT = 256
91
92         print(f"\nProcessing begun on file '{filename}', this will take a
        ↳ while.\n")
93
94         # This creates a cache of the file, if it needs to be converted
        ↳ again
95         loadStartTime = time.time()
96         try:
97             with open(filename[:-4] + ".pickle", "rb") as file:

```

```

98         print("Cached file version found!\n")
99         wave_file = pickle.load(file)
100     except FileNotFoundError:
101         print("No cache found.\n")
102         wave_file = Wave(path)
103         with open(filename[:-4] + ".pickle", "wb") as file:
104             pickle.dump(wave_file, file,
105                 ↪ protocol=pickle.HIGHEST_PROTOCOL)
106     loadEndTime = time.time()
107     print(f"* Wave load complete. Elapsed time {loadEndTime -
108         ↪ loadStartTime} seconds.")
109
110     wave_channel = wave_file.get_channel(0)
111
112     results_lst = []
113     for offset in range((int(wave_channel.get_dim()[0]) - (
114         ↪ FOURIER_SIZE - FOURIER_INCREMENT)) // FOURIER_INCREMENT):
115         signal = Fourier(wave_channel.section(offset *
116             ↪ FOURIER_INCREMENT,
117             ↪ (offset *
118                 ↪ FOURIER_INCREMENT +
119                 ↪ FOURIER_SIZE) - 1,
120                 ↪ "h"), pad=True)
121         results_lst.append(Fourier.rms(signal))
122
123     v = Matrix([[i] for i in results_lst])
124     x = [i[0] for i in Fourier.find_peaks(v, 10, 3, 0.1)]
125     dividers = []
126     prev = 0
127     for i in range(1, len(x)):
128         if x[i] == 1 and x[i - 1] == 0:
129             if i - prev > 25:
130                 prev = i
131                 dividers.append(i)
132     dividers.append(len(x))

```

```
128
129     # Updates the progress bar
130     self.progress.setValue(5)
131     noteEndTime = time.time()
132     print(f"* Note partitioning complete. Elapsed time {noteEndTime -
133           ↳ loadEndTime} seconds.")
134
135
136
137     midi_file = Midi()
138
139
140
141     if len(dividers) > 0:
142         start = 0
143         total = len(dividers)
144         # Splits the file into each seperate note section
145         for j in dividers:
146             current = dividers.index(j)
147             self.progress.setValue(int((current*95)/total) + 5)
148             end = j * FOURIER_INCREMENT
149             # Moves over each note and determines its pitch
150             if start != end:
151                 signal = Fourier(wave_channel.section(start, (end) -
152               ↳ 1, "h"), pad=True)
153                 signal = Fourier.blackman_harris(signal)
154                 corr = abs(Fourier.FFT(signal))
155                 post = Fourier.median_filter(corr, 15).section(0,
156               ↳ corr.get_dim()[0] // 2, "h")
157
158                 value = max([i[0] for i in post])
159                 pos = post._contents.index([value])
160                 hz_post = wave_file.convert_hertz(post)
161                 if hz_post[pos][0] > 0:
162                     midi_file.add_note(start, end, hz_post[pos][0],
163                   ↳ 40)
164
165             start = end
```

```

159     else:
160         length = 2 **
            ↳ int(math.log(wave_file.get_data()[0].get_dim()[0] - 1,
            ↳ 2))
161         signal = Fourier(wave_channel.section(0, length - 1, "h"),
            ↳ pad=True)
162         corr = abs(Fourier.autocorrelation(signal))
163         post = Fourier.median_filter(corr, 15).section(0,
            ↳ corr.get_dim()[0] // 2, "h")
164
165         fourierEndTime = time.time()
166         print(
167             f"* Fourier transforms complete. Elapsed time {fourierEndTime
            ↳ - noteEndTime} seconds.")
168
169         # Completes the conversion and writes out the results
170         self.progress.setValue(100)
171         midi_file.write(filename[:-4] + ".mid")
172         endEndTime = time.time()
173         print(f"* Midi file write complete. Elapsed time {endEndTime -
            ↳ fourierEndTime} seconds.")
174         print(f"Total elapsed time {endEndTime - loadStartTime}
            ↳ seconds.")
175
176
177 if __name__ == '__main__':
178     app = QtWidgets.QApplication(sys.argv)
179     ex = Window()
180     sys.exit(app.exec_())

```

## TESTING

In order to ensure the functionality on my program I will test different aspects of its performance against my original specification. Throughout the development process I have been testing the functionality of my program using an agile programming paradigm, to ensure that

each stage of the conversion process could be used to verify the next was working correctly. I have broken down the testing documentation into the components of the program of which they test.

## The Matrix Class

The tests on the Matrix class are to ensure that Objective 3 has been met by the program, to recap this means the program must be able to correctly add, multiply, slice and concatenate matrices together.

### Addition

To test the addition function I will try 3 different input cases, one with positive integers, one with a mix of positive and negative integers and one with complex numbers. The class should be able to handle a matrix containing any object types that support addition, but these 3 combinations will be encountered during the run of the program. I have also included a test to ensure the program will not attempt to perform addition on matrices of different dimensions.

#### Test 1, Input and Expected Output

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

```
In [8]: A = Matrix([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
```

```
In [9]: B = Matrix([[1, 1], [1, 1]])
```

```
In [10]: A + B
```

```
Out[10]: [[2, 3], [4, 5]]
```

Figure 17: Test 1, Success

**Test 2, Input and Expected Output**

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ -4 & -3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

```
In [12]: A = Matrix([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
```

```
In [13]: B = Matrix([[-1, -2], [-4, -3]])
```

```
In [14]: A + B
```

```
Out[14]: [[0, 0], [-1, 1]]
```

**Figure 18:** Test 2, Success**Test 3, Input and Expected Output**

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} i & -2i \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1+i & 2-2i \\ 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

```
In [16]: A = Matrix([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
```

```
In [17]: B = Matrix([[1j, -2j], [-1, 2]])
```

```
In [18]: A + B
```

```
Out[18]: [[(1+1j), (2-2j)], [2, 6]]
```

**Figure 19:** Test 3, Success**Test 4, Input and Expected Output**

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \text{ERROR}$$



```

In [22]: A = Matrix([[1], [2]])
In [23]: B = Matrix([[1j, -2j], [-1, 2]])
In [24]: A + B
Traceback (most recent call last):

  File "<ipython-input-24-151064de832d>", line 1, in <module>
    A + B

  File "E:/Users/oisin/Documents/RREEPP00SS/NEA_Fourier/tests/test_01.py", line
171, in __add__
    f"Cannot add matrices of different dimensions, self ({self.get_dim()}) !=
other ({other.get_dim()})"

ValueError: Cannot add matrices of different dimensions, self ([2, 1]) != other
([2, 2])

```

Figure 20: Test 4, Success

## Multiplication

To test the multiplication functionality, I need to ensure that the class can handle all types of multiplication between vectors, scalars and matrices correctly. Some combinations of matrix multiplication are not mathematically valid, so I need to ensure my program correctly determines when it can and cannot perform a multiplication.

### Test 1, Input and Expected Output

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 7 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

```

In [41]: A = Matrix([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
In [42]: B = Matrix([[1, 1], [1, 1]])
In [43]: A * B
Out[43]: [[3, 3], [7, 7]]

```

Figure 21: Test 1, Success

**Test 2, Input and Expected Output**

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 6 \\ 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

```
In [48]: A = Matrix([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
In [49]: B = Matrix([[1, 1], [1, 1]])
In [50]: B * A
Out[50]: [[4, 6], [4, 6]]
```

**Figure 22:** Test 2, Success**Test 3, Input and Expected Output**

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 22 \end{bmatrix}$$

```
In [52]: A = Matrix([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
In [53]: B = Matrix([[2], [4]])
In [54]: A * B
Out[54]: [[10], [22]]
```

**Figure 23:** Test 3, Success**Test 4, Input and Expected Output**

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \text{ERROR}$$

```

In [56]: A = Matrix([[1, 2], [3, 4]])

In [57]: B = Matrix([[2], [4]])

In [58]: B * A
Traceback (most recent call last):

  File "<ipython-input-58-36ca14b77ca1>", line
  1, in <module>
    B * A

  File "E:/Users/oisin/Documents/RREEPP00SS/
  NEA_Fourier/tests/test_02.py", line 141, in
  __mul__
    raise ValueError(f"Cannot multiply matrices
  of incorrect dimensions, "

ValueError: Cannot multiply matrices of
incorrect dimensions, self n (1) != other m (2)

```

Figure 24: Test 4, Success

**Test 5, Input and Expected Output**

$$3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ 9 & 12 \end{bmatrix}$$

```

In [60]: A = 3

In [61]: B = Matrix([[1, 2], [3, 4]])

In [62]: A * B
Out[62]: [[3, 6], [9, 12]]

```

Figure 25: Test 5, Success

## Slicing

### Test 1, Input and Expected Output

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} .section(1,1,"vertical") \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

```
In [5]: A = Matrix([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6], [7, 8, 9]])
In [6]: A.section(1, 1, "vertical")
Out[6]: [[2], [5], [8]]
```

Figure 26: Test 1, Success

### Test 2, Input and Expected Output

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} .section(1,5,"vertical") \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 5 & 6 \\ 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

```
In [14]: A = Matrix([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6], [7, 8, 9]])
In [15]: A.section(1, 5, "vertical")
Out[15]: [[2, 3], [5, 6], [8, 9]]
```

Figure 27: Test 2, Success

### Test 3, Input and Expected Output

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} .section(1,2,"horizontal") \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

```
In [11]: A = Matrix([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6], [7, 8, 9]])
In [12]: A.section(1, 2, "horizontal")
Out[12]: [[4, 5, 6], [7, 8, 9]]
```

Figure 28: Test 3, Success

## Concatenation

### Test 1, Input and Expected Output

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}.concatenate\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, "vertical"\right) \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

```
In [17]: A = Matrix([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
In [18]: B = Matrix([[1, 1], [1, 1]])
In [19]: A.concatenate(B, "vertical")
Out[19]: [[1, 2], [3, 4], [1, 1], [1, 1]]
```

Figure 29: Test 1, Success

### Test 2, Input and Expected Output

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}.concatenate\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, "horizontal"\right) \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

```
In [21]: A = Matrix([[1, 2], [3, 4]])

In [22]: B = Matrix([[1], [1]])

In [23]: A.concatenate(B, "horizontal")
Out[23]: [[1, 2, 1], [3, 4, 1]]
```

Figure 30: Test 2, Success

### Test 3, Input and Expected Output

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}.concatenate\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, "vertical"\right) \rightarrow ERROR$$

```
In [25]: A = Matrix([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
In [26]: B = Matrix([[1], [1]])
In [27]: A.concatenate(B, "vertical")
Traceback (most recent call last):

  File "<ipython-input-27-fb07de0ba0a1>", line 1, in <module>
    A.concatenate(B, "vertical")

  File "E:/Users/oisin/Documents/RREEPP00SS/NEA_Fourier/tests/test_03.py", line 228, in
concatenate
    raise ValueError
ValueError
```

Figure 31: Test 3, Success

## The Wave Class

The wave class only performs the task of reading in a file to begin with, but to do this it makes use of several methods that need to be tested. In order to test the overall result of this is correct, the wave file is opened using a program called audacity to view the raw waveform.

**Test 1, Input and Expected Output** The input was a wave recording of 3 blind mice, which can be heard in the testing video ([link on page 76](#)).

```

In [8]: A = Matrix([[1, 2], [3, 4]])

In [9]: B = Matrix([[1, 1], [1, 1]])

In [10]: A + B
Out[10]: [[2, 3], [4, 5]]

```

**Figure 32:** Test 1, Success

## The Fourier Class

This class is the most important to the success of the project, so ensuring it worked correctly was a top priority. Both the FFT and DFT should produce the same results for the same input, but for large inputs the FFT will be faster.

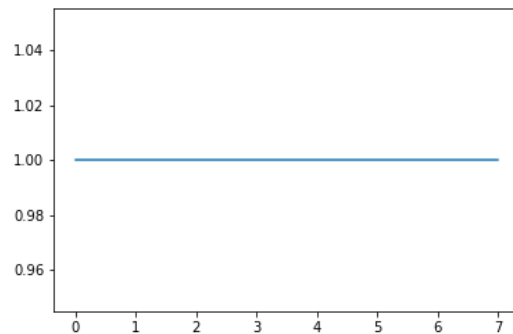
### Test 1, Input and Expected Output

$$DFT\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

```

In [79]: A = Matrix([[1], [0], [0], [0], [0], [0], [0], [0]])
In [80]: B = Fourier(A).DFT()
In [81]: B
Out[81]: [[(1+0j)], [(1+0j)], [(1+0j)], [(1+0j)], [(1+0j)], [(1+0j)], [(1+0j)], [(1+0j)]]
In [82]: plt.plot([i for i in B])
E:\ProgramData\Anaconda3\lib\site-packages\numpy\core\numeric.py:501: ComplexWarning: Casting
complex values to real discards the imaginary part
  return array(a, dtype, copy=False, order=order)
Out[82]: [<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x2b3848b06a0>]

```



**Figure 33:** Test 1, Success

### Test 2, Input and Expected Output

$$DFT\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 7.07 - 7.07i \\ 0 - i \\ -7.07 - 7.07i \\ -1 \\ -7.07 + 7.07i \\ 0 + i \\ 7.07 + 7.07i \end{bmatrix}$$



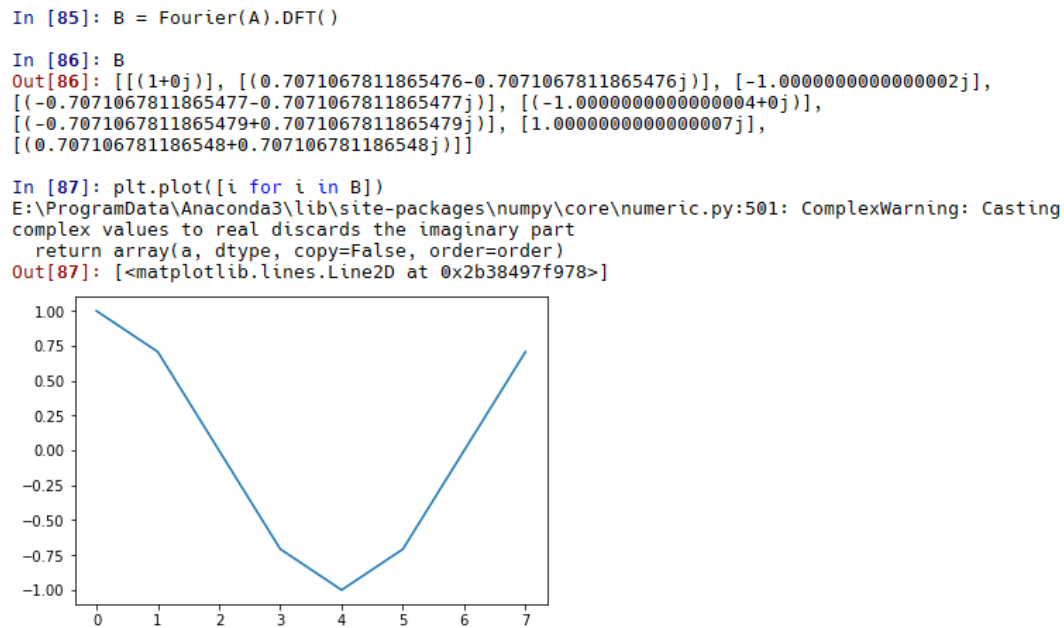


Figure 34: Test 2, Success

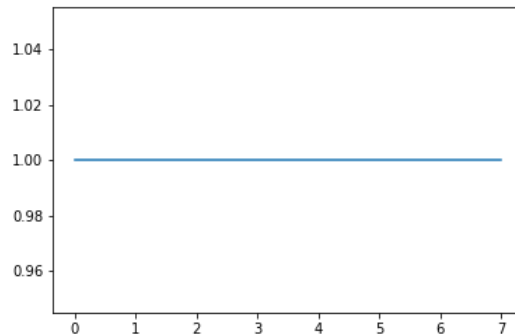
### Test 3, Input and Expected Output

$$FFT\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

```

In [94]: A = Matrix([[1], [0], [0], [0], [0], [0], [0], [0]])
In [95]: B = Fourier(A).FFT()
In [96]: B
Out[96]: [[(1+0j)], [(1+0j)], [(1+0j)], [(1+0j)], [(1+0j)], [(1+0j)], [(1+0j)], [(1+0j)]]
In [97]: plt.plot([i for i in B])
E:\ProgramData\Anaconda3\lib\site-packages\numpy\core\numeric.py:501: ComplexWarning: Casting
complex values to real discards the imaginary part
  return array(a, dtype, copy=False, order=order)
Out[97]: [<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x2b384bb9400>]

```



**Figure 35:** Test 3, Success

#### Test 4, Input and Expected Output

$$FFT\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 7.07 - 7.07i \\ 0 - i \\ -7.07 - 7.07i \\ -1 \\ -7.07 + 7.07i \\ 0 + i \\ 7.07 + 7.07i \end{bmatrix}$$

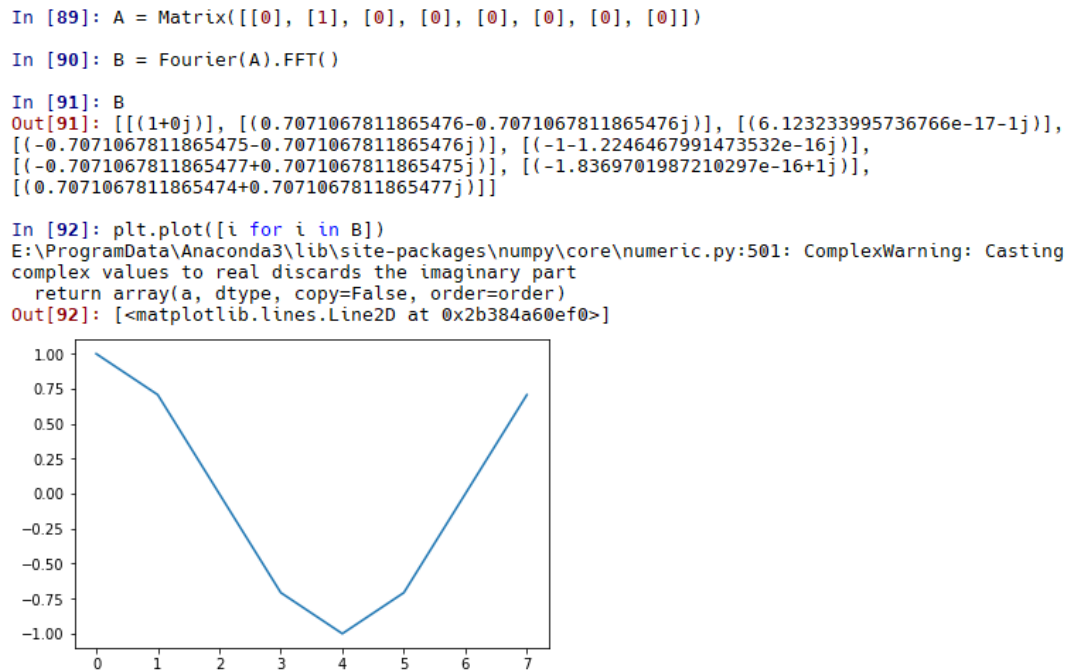


Figure 36: Test 4, Success

## The Midi Class

The midi class writes the final file out to disk, so it needs to always correctly format the output file to ensure that it is readable by any synthesizer the user wants to use to play back the file.

**Test 1, Input and Expected Output** By inputting the results of the conversion of the 3 Blind Mice file, the midi class should write a correctly formatted file to disk.

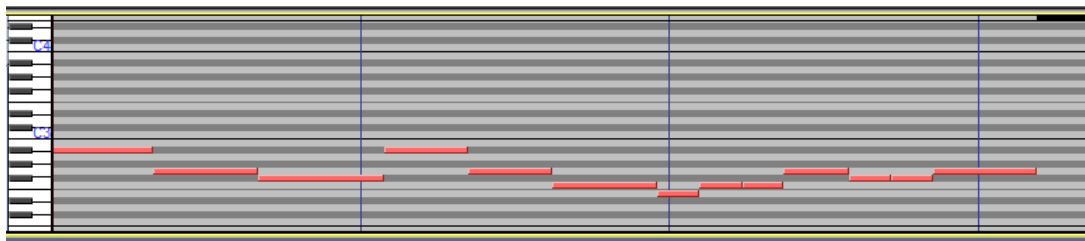


Figure 37: Test 1, Success

## The GUI Class

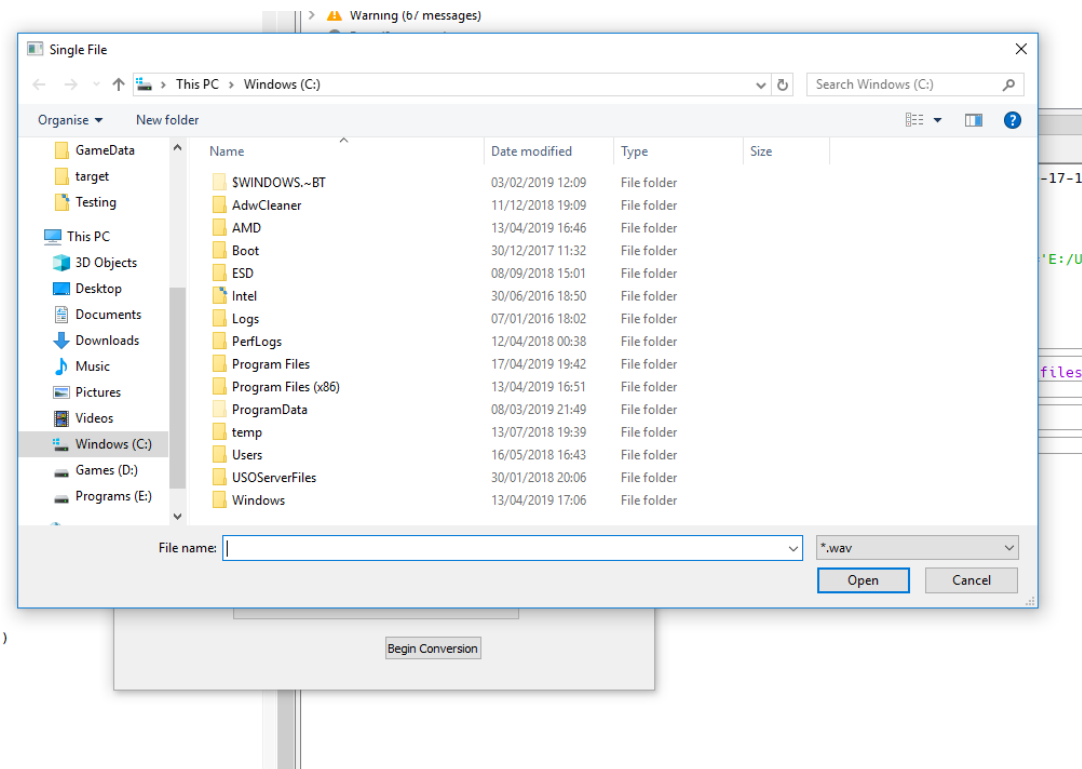
The GUI itself is quite simple, as there are few options for the user to configure. The main features are the time estimation, progress bar and the ability to queue up files.

**Test 1, Input and Expected Output** The GUI should launch.



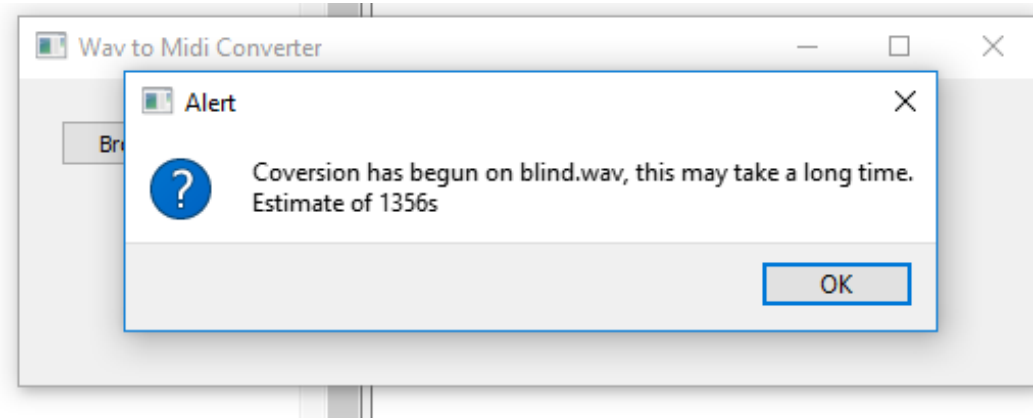
**Figure 38:** Test 1, Success

**Test 2, Input and Expected Output** When clicked, the browse button should open a file explorer window allowing the user to select a file.



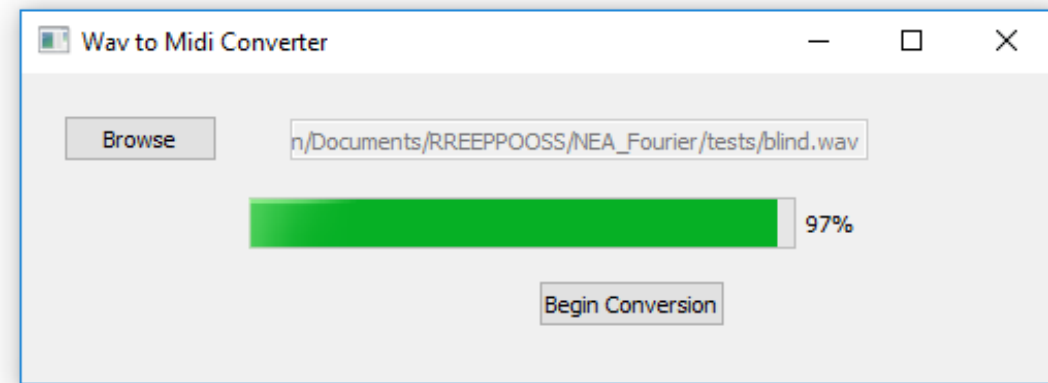
**Figure 39:** Test 2, Success

**Test 3, Input and Expected Output** Before conversion, a popup should appear with an estimated length of time until the conversion is completed. This time is a slight overestimate and represents a worse case scenario.



**Figure 40:** Test 3, Success

**Test 4, Input and Expected Output** During a conversion a progress bar should be shown to the user, this should update as the conversion progresses.



**Figure 41:** Test 4, Success

## The Complete Solution

As the result of this program is an audio file instead of visual, I have created several recordings of the program operating to showcase this. Each of the files that can be found in the following Google Drive folder <https://youtu.be/9qqKU9sJCDg> contains a video walking through the tests

and their outcomes. In summary however the program performs as expected in all areas, the final quality of the conversion were not as good as the online Bear converter however. I believe this was due to not using autocorrelation, although it may have been other factors. Despite this however, the program has still met its objectives as I did not expect the conversion to be perfect. In addition feedback from the end user describes the final result as good enough for their purposes, no converter can be 100% accurate but I am overall pleased at how mine turned out.

## EVALUATION

In conclusion my solution does solve the problem that it set out to do. Whilst it is not as fast or accurate as the online solution provided by Bear, it does fulfil the needs of my user by running offline and having the code publicly available and editable so it was a success.

### Objective Completion

All objectives set out in my Analysis section were successfully completed, no objectives that I set out to fulfil based on the needs of my user were left incomplete. Of the extension tasks, one was completed allowing for the user to queue multiple files when using the GUI. The velocity of notes was partially implemented, however this feature is disabled by default as it did not add a noticeable change to the audio quality whilst still increasing compute time.

1. The program must be able to read the samples from a wave file into an object that represents the samples and information of the file. - This has been completed as required, any type of wave file can be read in for conversion.
2. The program must be able to perform the matrix operations:
  - (a) Addition - Complete
  - (b) Multiplication - Complete
  - (c) Slicing - Complete
  - (d) Concatenation - Complete
3. The program must be able to correctly write the results to a midi file, providing the input file is under a length of 3 minutes. - This has been completed, with a file size greater than 3 minutes long the program can become unstable although this happens

somewhat randomly. By staying below the 3 minute mark the performance is much more consistent.

4. The user must be able to select a wave file to convert using a GUI. - Complete, as mentioned files can also be queued.
5. The user must be able to select a wave file to convert without using a GUI. - Complete
6. The user must receive confirmation that the conversion has taken place successfully, or that an error of some kind has occurred. - Complete, a series of notification boxes ran on separate threads will alert the user if anything has gone wrong.
7. During conversion, the user should have visual feedback in the form of a timer or progress bar to ensure the program is functioning. - Complete
8. The program must be able to convert files that have only one note played at a time. - Complete

## **End User Feedback**

After showcasing my final solution to both the end user interviewed in my Analysis and one of their friends I am pleased with the responses that they had to it. I was happy to see that they thought it met their needs enough that they could use it when required and that the accuracy was good enough for this as well. The program's UI was simple enough that they needed no instruction on how to use the program and they especially liked the inclusion of the progress bar. They did mention that the speed would be a prime area for improvement although it was not a major issue as they were able to queue up multiple songs to be converted overnight or whilst they were working on something else. Overall the feedback has been positive.

## **Further Work**

As this topic still represents a fairly open problem, an almost endless amount of optimisation could be performed on the code to increase its accuracy and speed. In particular there are two main areas I would like to expand upon, these being the use of autocorrelation and the speed of the program. Theoretically autocorrelation should yield much better results than the "pure" FFT that I am currently using, although I could not get it working to do so with the time available, so it would be interesting to spend more time and implement that successfully. I would also like to try porting the codebase into a different language, such as

Java or MATLAB to try and improve the efficiency of it. Python has allowed me to rapidly prototype and develop my solution, but it is unideal for running performance critical code as it cannot be compiled and is relatively optimised for it. Further optimisation could likely be made in the existing Python codebase, although I am unsure how effective they could be versus the time required to implement them. By far the most complex and time-consuming part of this project has been the research and understanding required to solve the problem, so with this now out of the way I could probably start in another language and implement a better second version much more rapidly.



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