ZE AWESOME FRENCH AUDIO RESEARCHER (ZAFAR)

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ABSTRACT

We present Zafar, Ze Awesome French Audio Researcher. The proposed researcher has a PhD in electrical engineering and computer science from Northwestern University, with a focus on audio signal analysis. He has over 30 publications, including conference papers, journal articles, and patents, with 1,500 citations overall. He is actively involved within the research community, as a reviewer for numerous conferences and journals, a member of the IEEE audio and acoustic signal processing technical committee, and an organizer of networking meetups in the San Francisco Bay Area. He is currently a research engineer manager at Gracenote, where he is working on a number of projects involving, among others, audio recognition, audio separation, and audio classification.

Index Terms— Research, audio, signal processing, separation, recognition, classification

1. INTRODUCTION

The proposed researcher is named Zafar Rafii. He received a PhD in electrical engineering and computer science from Northwestern University in 2014. He was with the Interactive Audio Lab, under the supervision of professor Bryan Pardo. Before that, he was a research engineer at Audionamix, in France. He is now a research engineer manager in the audio group of the Applied Research group at Gracenote.



Fig. 1. Overview of the proposed researcher.

The proposed researcher has interest and expertise in audio signal analysis; he has worked on a number of projects,

including:

- Blind source separation
- Spatial source separation
- Digital audio effects
- Audio fingerprinting
- · Cover song identification
- Audio encoding analysis
- · Audio beamforming
- Audio watermarking
- Audio/video segmentation
- Audio classification

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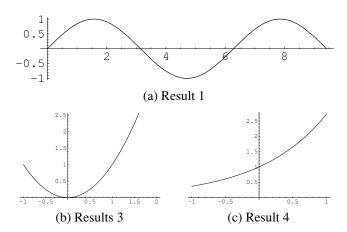


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