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MIREX 2014: Discovery of Repeated Themes & Sections

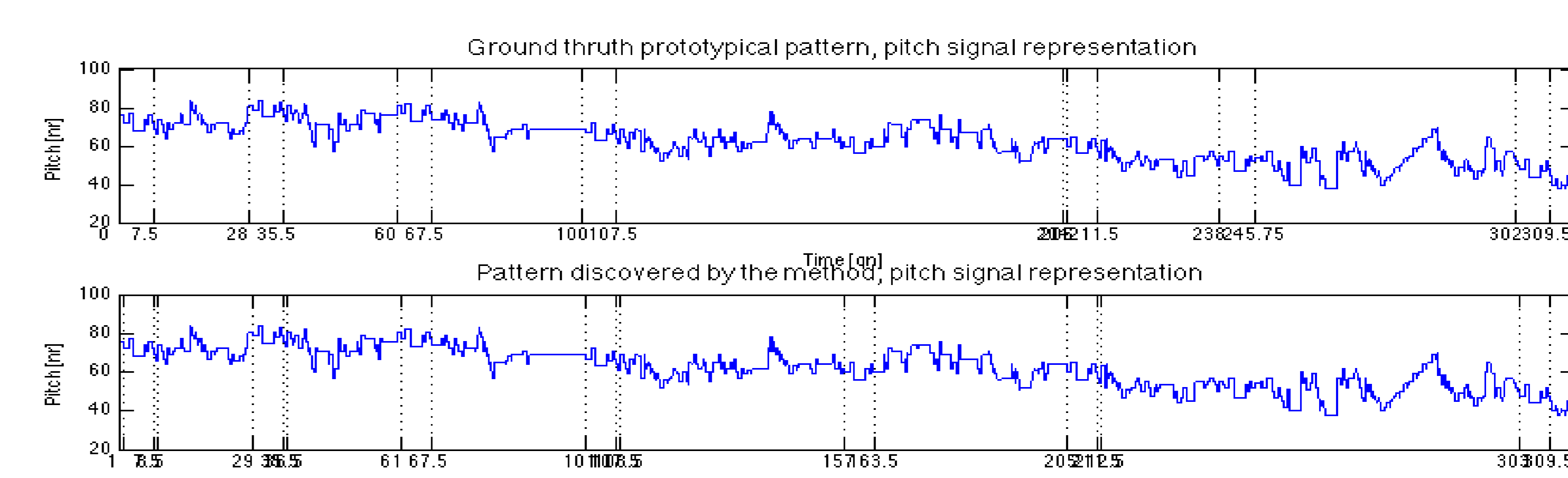
A Wavelet-Based Approach to the Discovery of Themes and Sections in Monophonic Melodies

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The idea

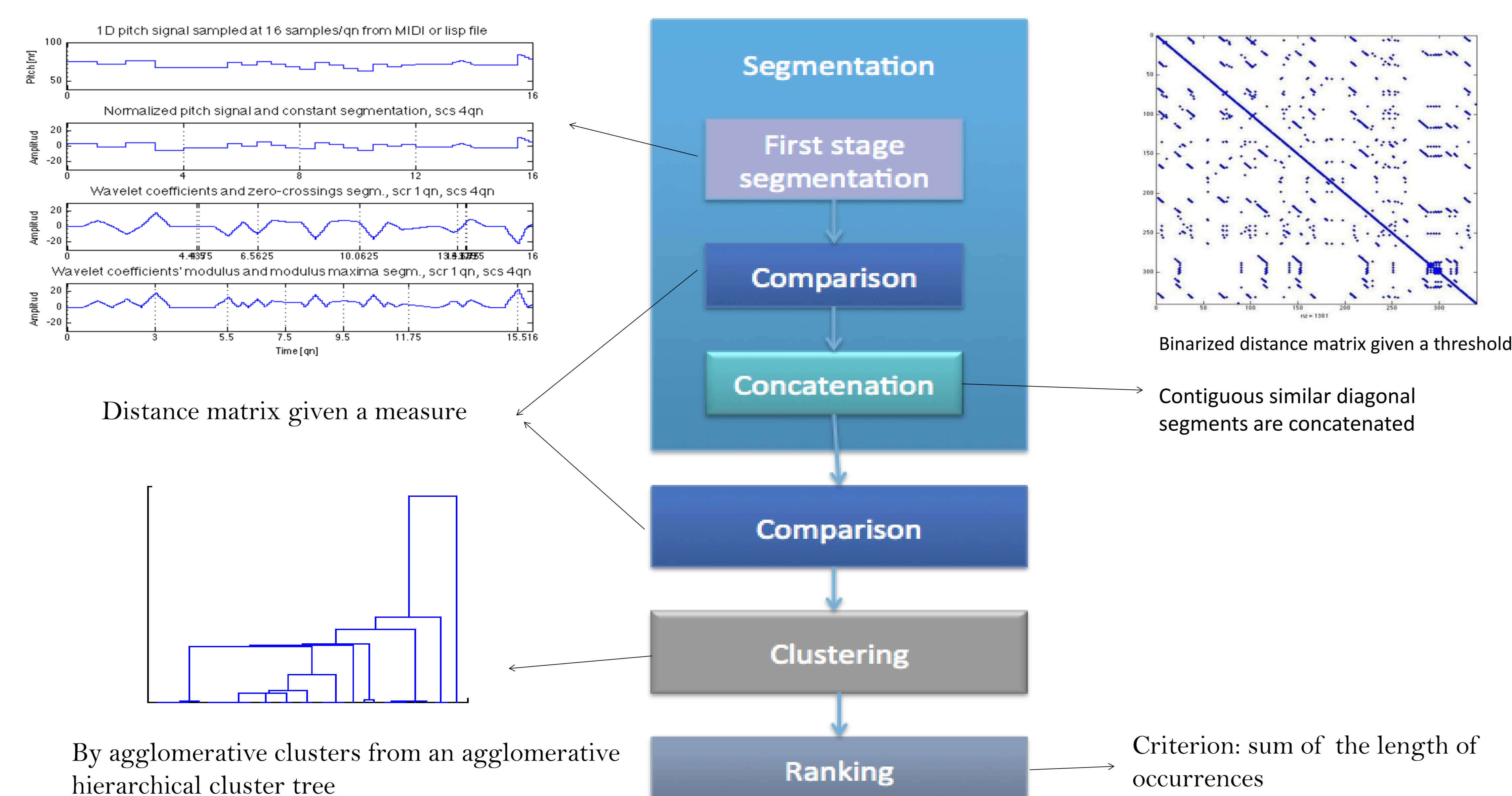
- With a good melodic structure in terms of segments, it should be possible to gather similar segments into clusters and rank their salience within the piece. (See ‘paradigmatic analysis’ [3])

Example: Bach's Fugue BWV 889 prototypical pattern



The Method

- The method follows and extends our previously reported approach to melodic segmentation and classification based on filtering with the Haar wavelet [4].
- The method uses the idea of “window connectivity information” from [2].



Submissions VM1 and VM2

For both submissions the parameters are: melodies sampled at 16 samples per quarter note (qn), Distance for both comparisons: city-block, Number of clusters: 7, Ranking criterion: Sum of the length of occurrences. VM1 differs from VM2 in the following parameters:

VM1	VM2
- Normalized pitch signal representation,	- Wavelet coefficients representation filtered by Haar at the scale of 1 qn
- Constant segmentation at the scale of 1 qn,	- Modulus maxima segmentation at the scale of 4 qn
- Threshold for concatenation 0.1.	- Threshold for concatenation 1

Results

- On the JKU Patterns Development Database monophonic version [1]
 - Training set: J. S. Bach, Fugue BWV 889, Beethoven's Sonata Op. 2, No. 1, Movement 3, Chopin's Mazurka Op. 24, No. 4, Gibbons's Silver Swan, and Mozart's Sonata K.282, Movement 2.
 - Test set: 5 pieces

Submission	Piece	n_P	n_Q	P_est	R_est	F1_est	P_occ			R_3			F1_3			Runtime (s)	FFTP_est	FFP	P_occ			P	R	F1
							(c=75)	(c=75)	(c=75)	(c=5)	(c=5)	(c=5)	(c=5)	(c=5)	(c=5)									
VM1 training	mean	6.20	7.00	0.84	0.89	0.86	0.75	0.89	0.81	0.70	0.75	0.71	23.01	0.77	0.68	0.67	0.87	0.75	0.31	0.32	0.31			
	SD	2.59	0.00	0.17	0.07	0.12	0.15	0.11	0.12	0.19	0.10	0.14	10.34	0.11	0.14	0.15	0.09	0.12	0.26	0.22	0.23			
VM1 test	mean	8.20	7.00	0.70	0.80	0.73	0.49	0.81	0.60	0.54	0.47	0.49	100.80	0.67	0.48	0.45	0.75	0.56	0.17	0.16	0.16			
	SD	3.42	0.00	0.21	0.09	0.14	0.10	0.04	0.09	0.20	0.10	0.14	119.18	0.16	0.25	0.08	0.08	0.07	0.16	0.17	0.15			
VM2 training	mean	6.20	7.00	0.76	0.80	0.77	0.82	0.78	0.78	0.66	0.68	0.67	4.87	0.63	0.60	0.72	0.71	0.72	0.03	0.03	0.03			
	SD	2.59	0.00	0.17	0.11	0.13	0.09	0.20	0.13	0.19	0.17	0.17	1.51	0.06	0.18	0.12	0.18	0.15	0.06	0.06	0.06			
VM2 test	mean	8.20	6.40	0.65	0.63	0.63	0.60	0.58	0.57	0.53	0.42	0.46	20.29	0.50	0.44	0.46	0.61	0.52	0.06	0.07	0.06			
	SD	3.42	0.89	0.16	0.12	0.10	0.36	0.37	0.33	0.20	0.12	0.14	15.99	0.14	0.23	0.14	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09			

Training
Three Layer F1, ($\chi^2(1)=1.8$, $p=0.1797$): ->No significant difference
Standard F1, ($\chi^2(1)=4$, $p=0.045$): ->VM1 preferred
Runtime, ($\chi^2(1)=5$, $p=0.0253$): ->VM2 preferred

Test
Three Layer F1, ($\chi^2(1)=0.2$, $p=0.6547$): ->No significant difference
Standard F1, ($\chi^2(1)=3$, $p=0.0833$): ->No significant difference
Runtime, ($\chi^2(1)=5$, $p=0.0253$): ->VM2 preferred

Conclusions

Our novel wavelet-based method performed better on the training than in the test dataset. This is difficult to study since we do not have access to the test dataset. For training and test datasets VM1 and VM2 show no significant difference in the results of the “three-layer” F1 score. On the other hand, for discovering exact occurrences, the difference between VM1 and VM2 becomes smaller in the training dataset and therefore it is suggested that there is no significant difference in the results of VM1 and VM2. However, there is a statistically significant difference in the runtime, suggesting that VM2 should be preferable for fast computation.

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