

# Periodicity detection

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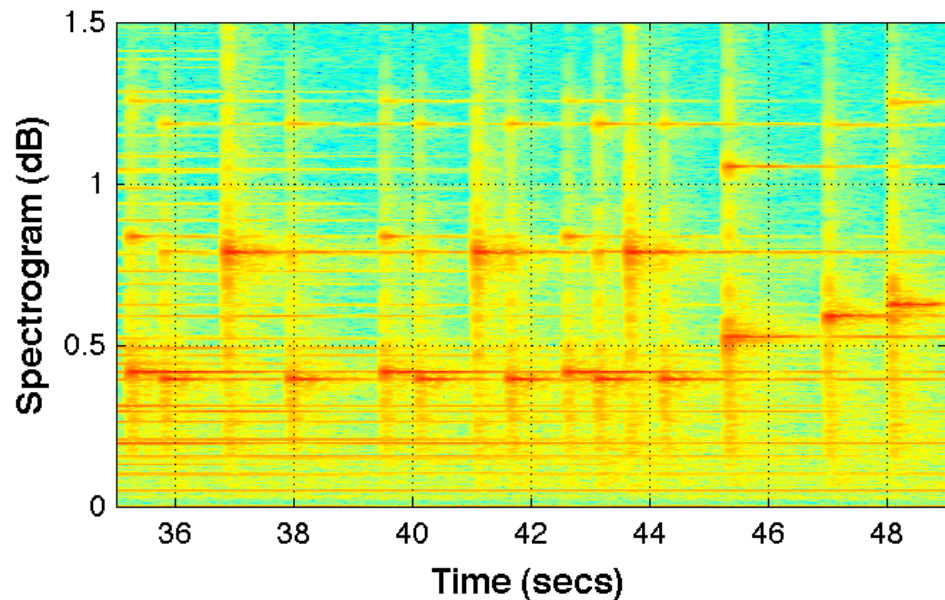
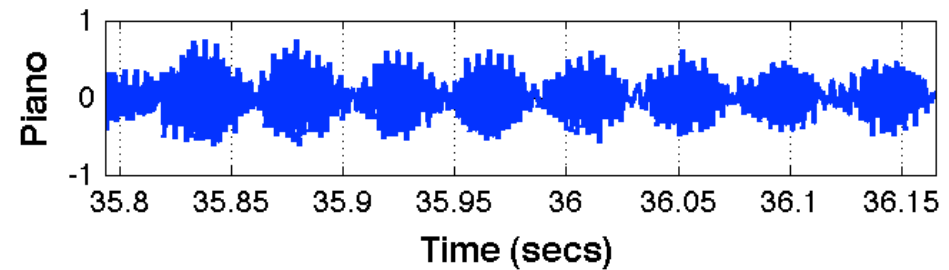
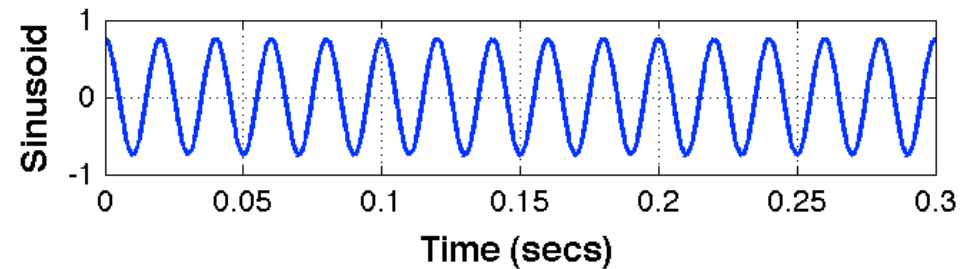
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- Formally, a periodic signal is defined as:

$$x(t) = x(t + T_0), \forall t$$

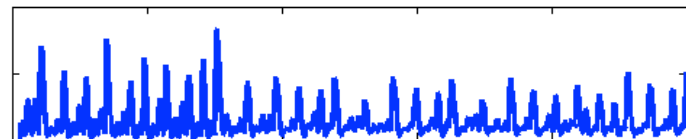
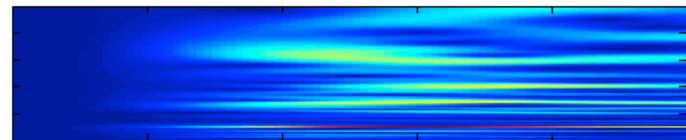
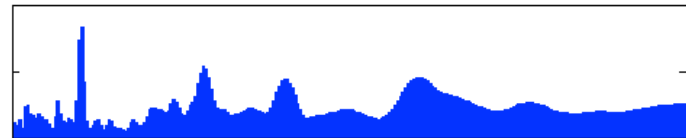
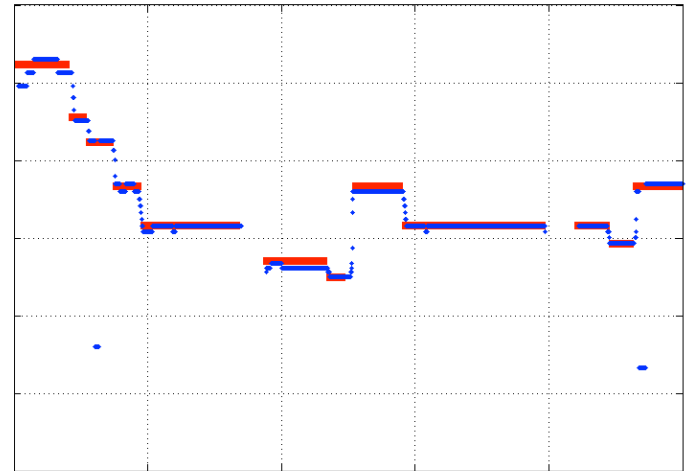
- Detect the fundamental period/frequency (and phase)



# Applications

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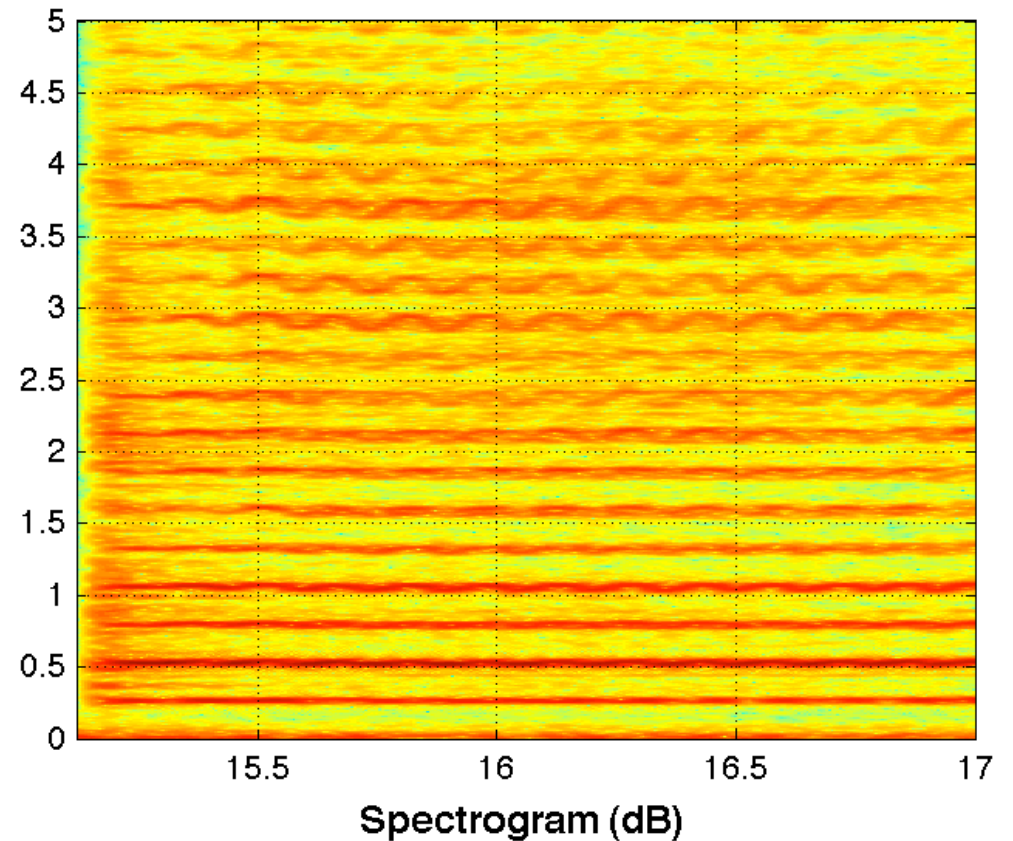
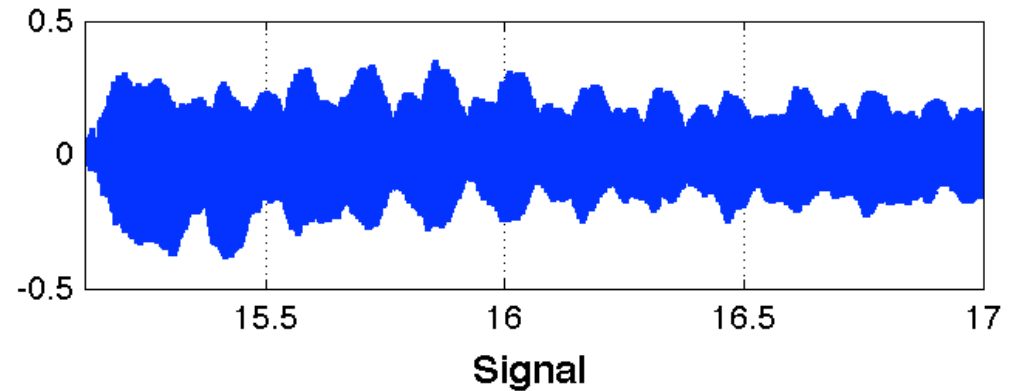
- At short (pitch) and long (rhythm) time scales:
  - pitch-synchronous analysis
  - voice/sound identification
  - prosodic analysis
  - bioacoustics
  - melodic analysis
  - note transcription
  - beat tracking, segmentation



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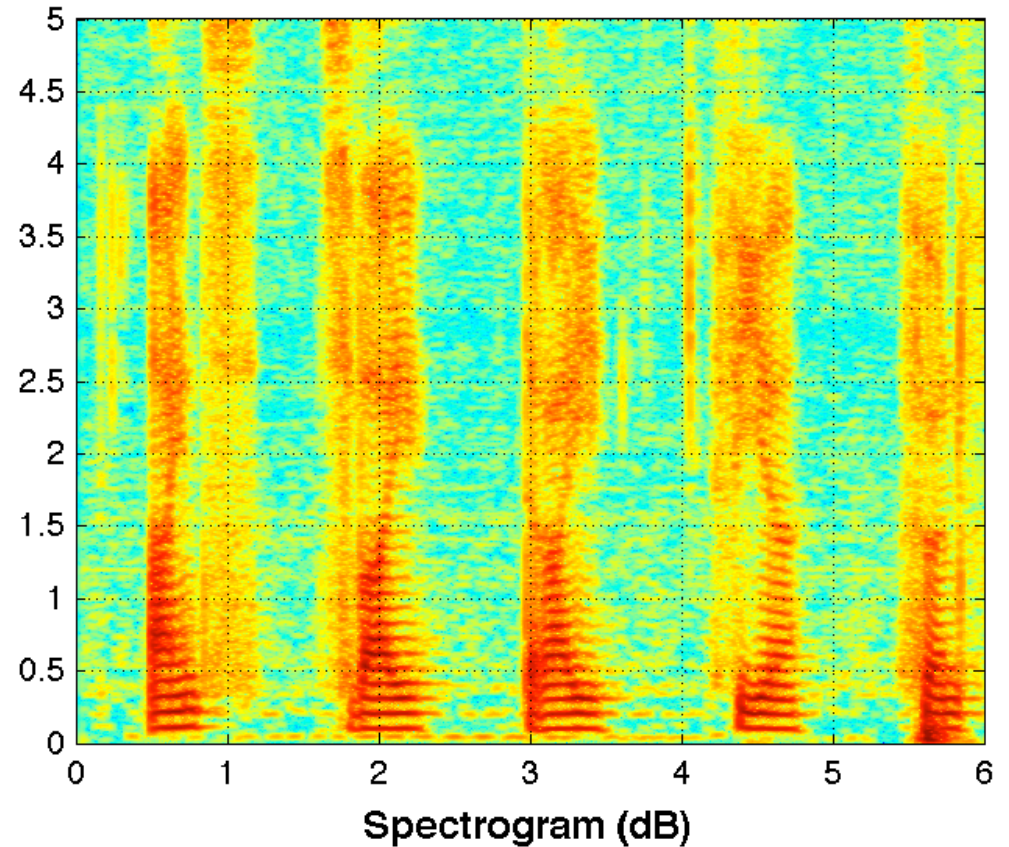
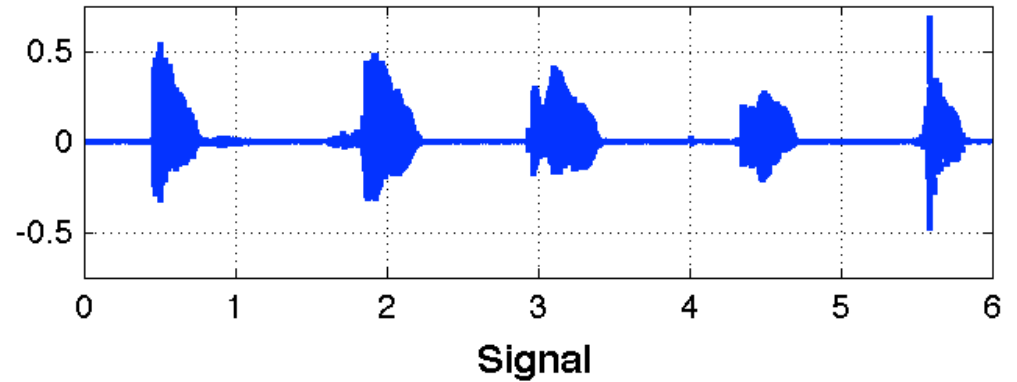
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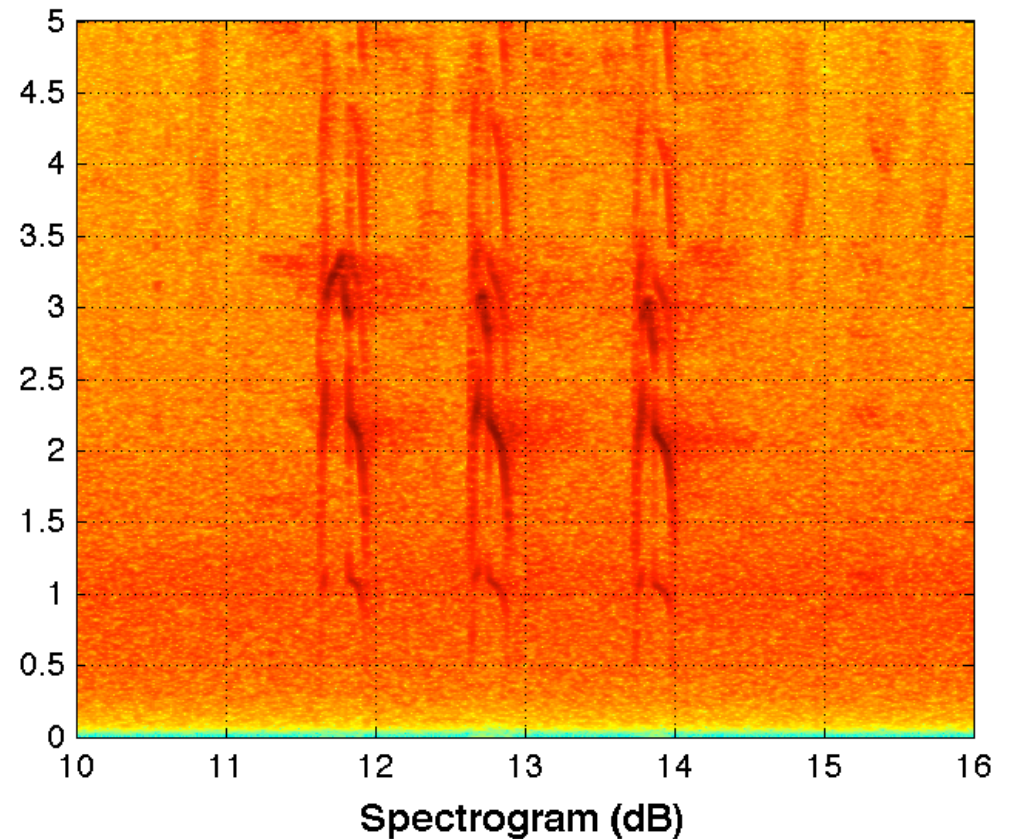
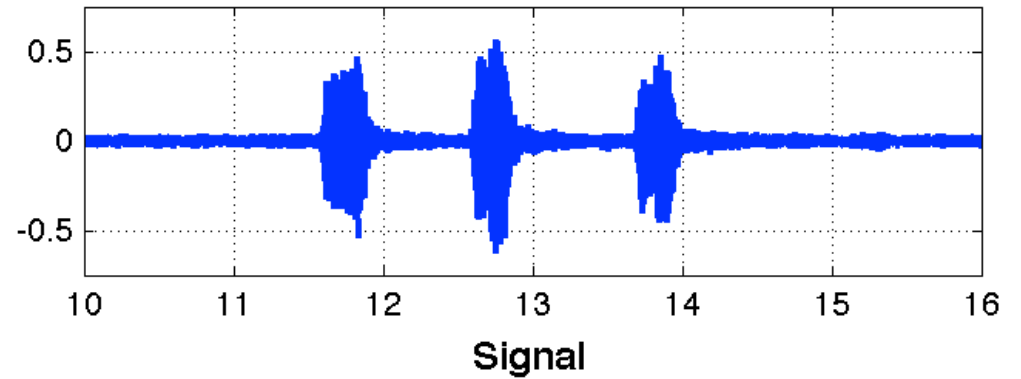
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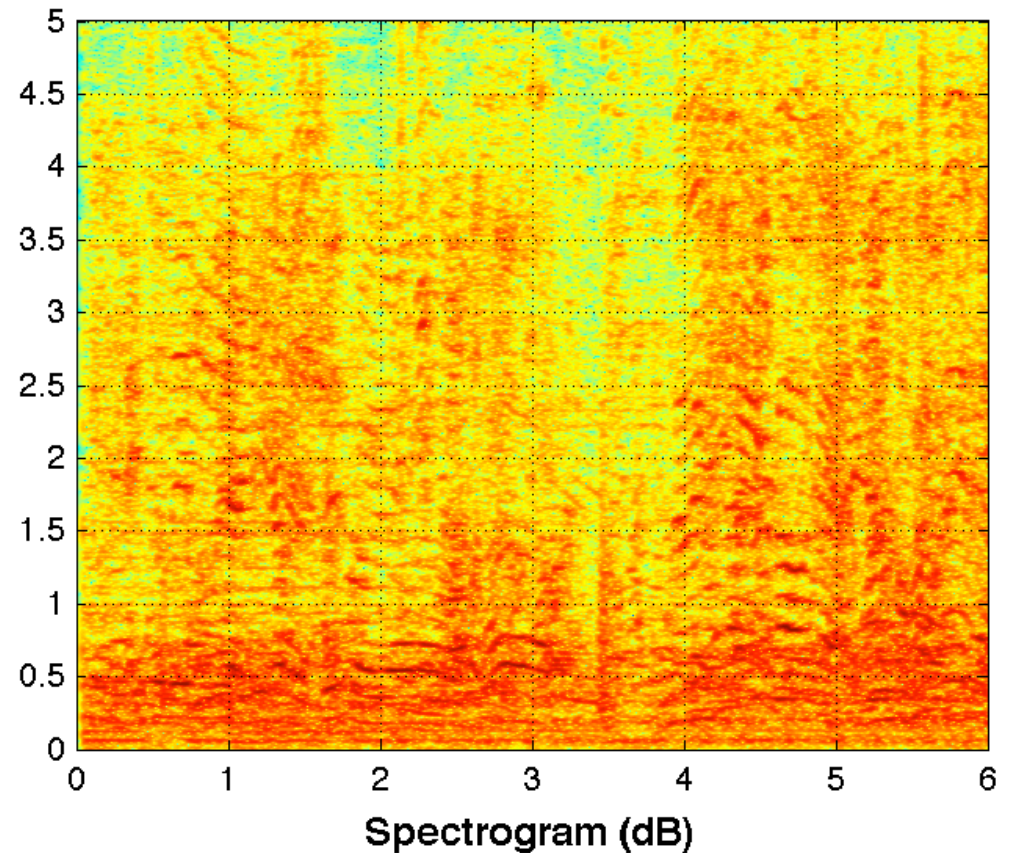
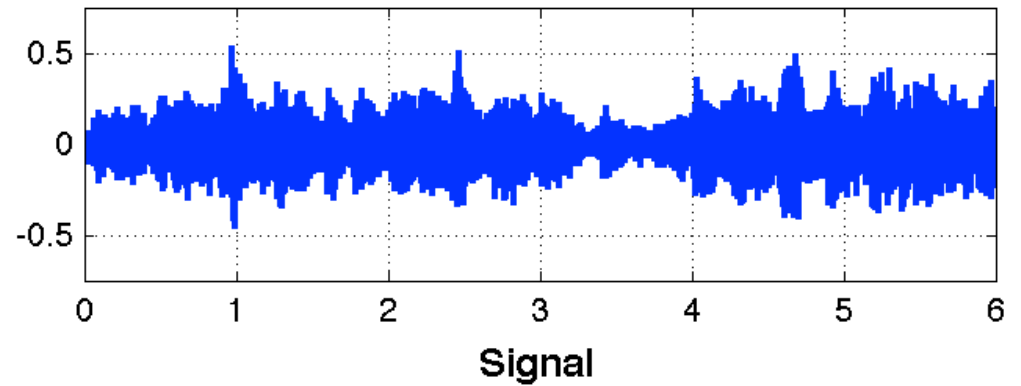




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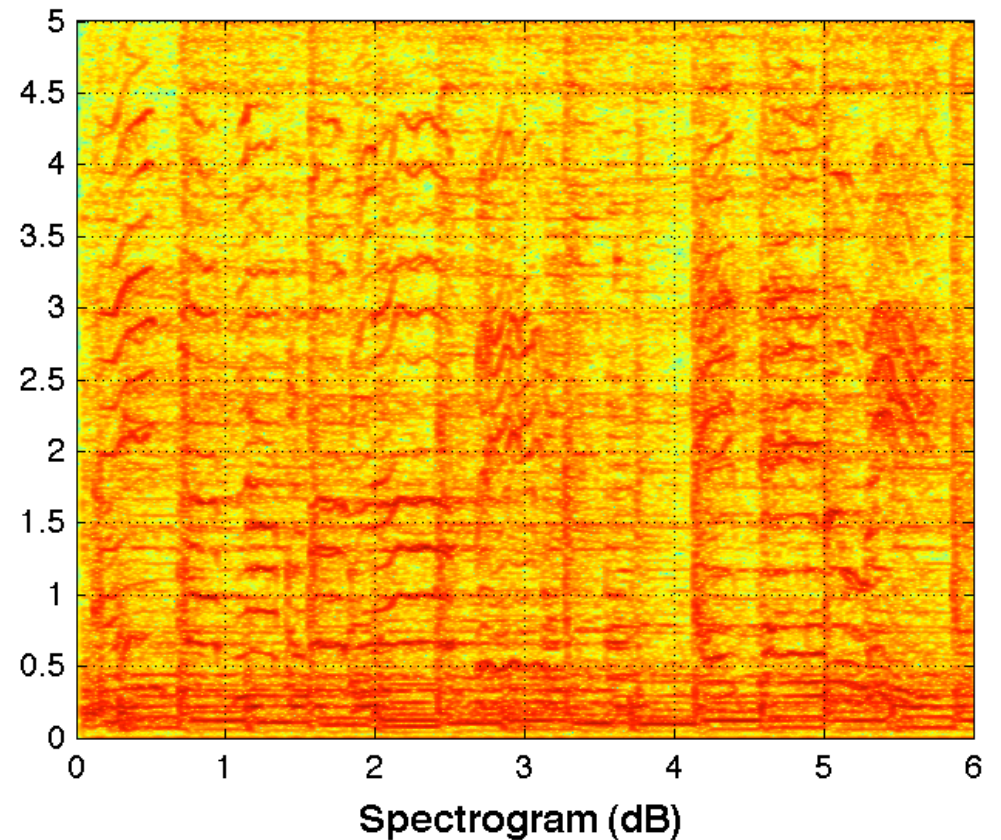
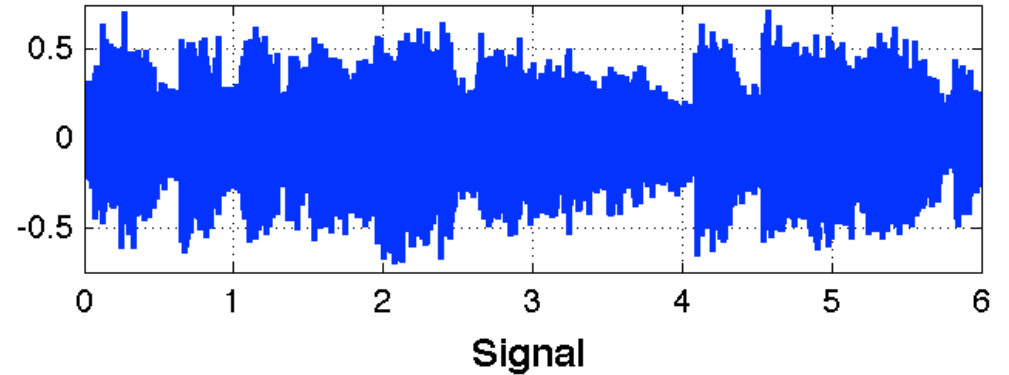
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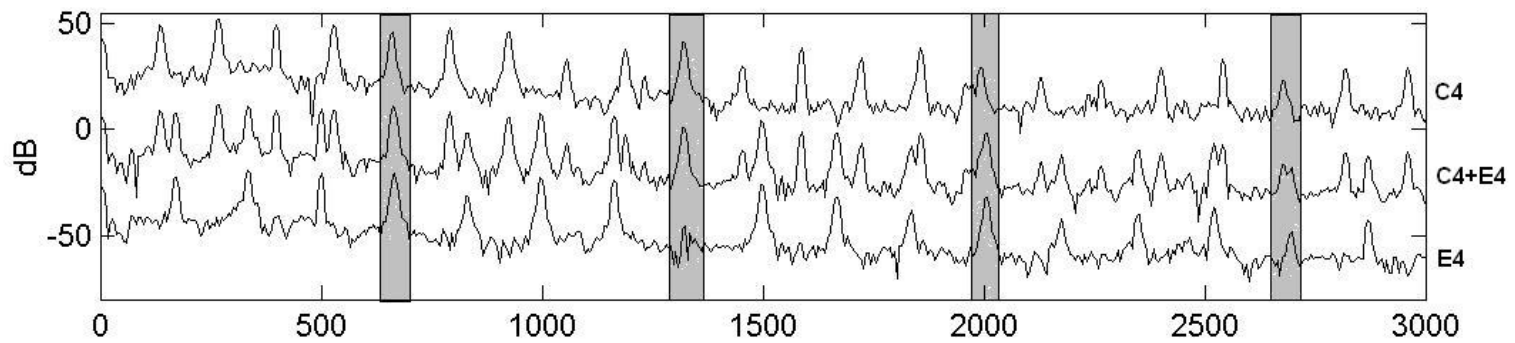
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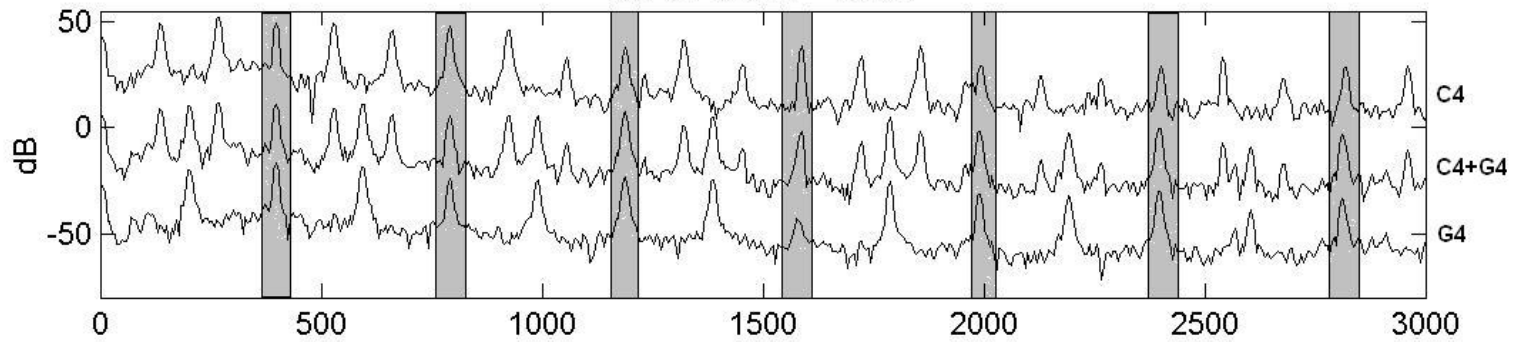




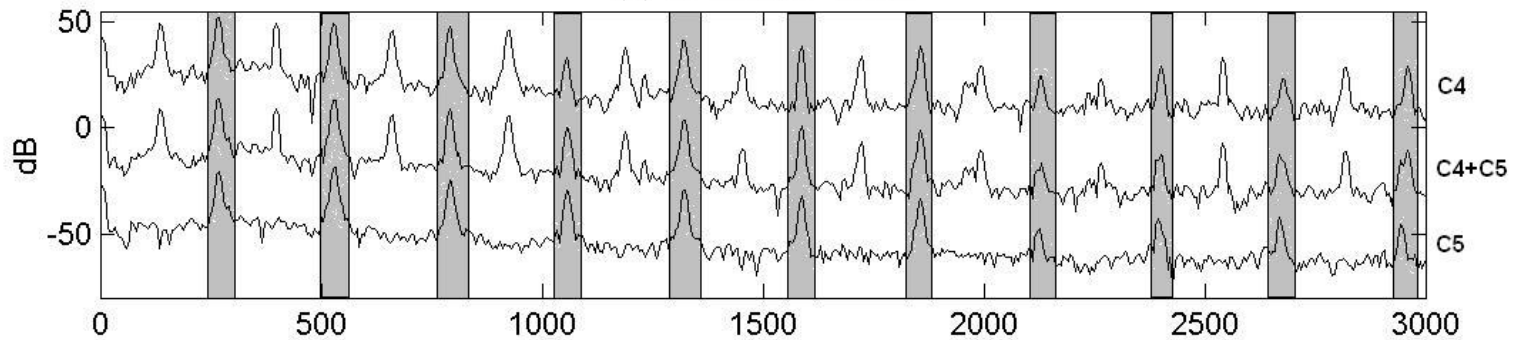
# Overlap



(a) C4 and E4 - a third



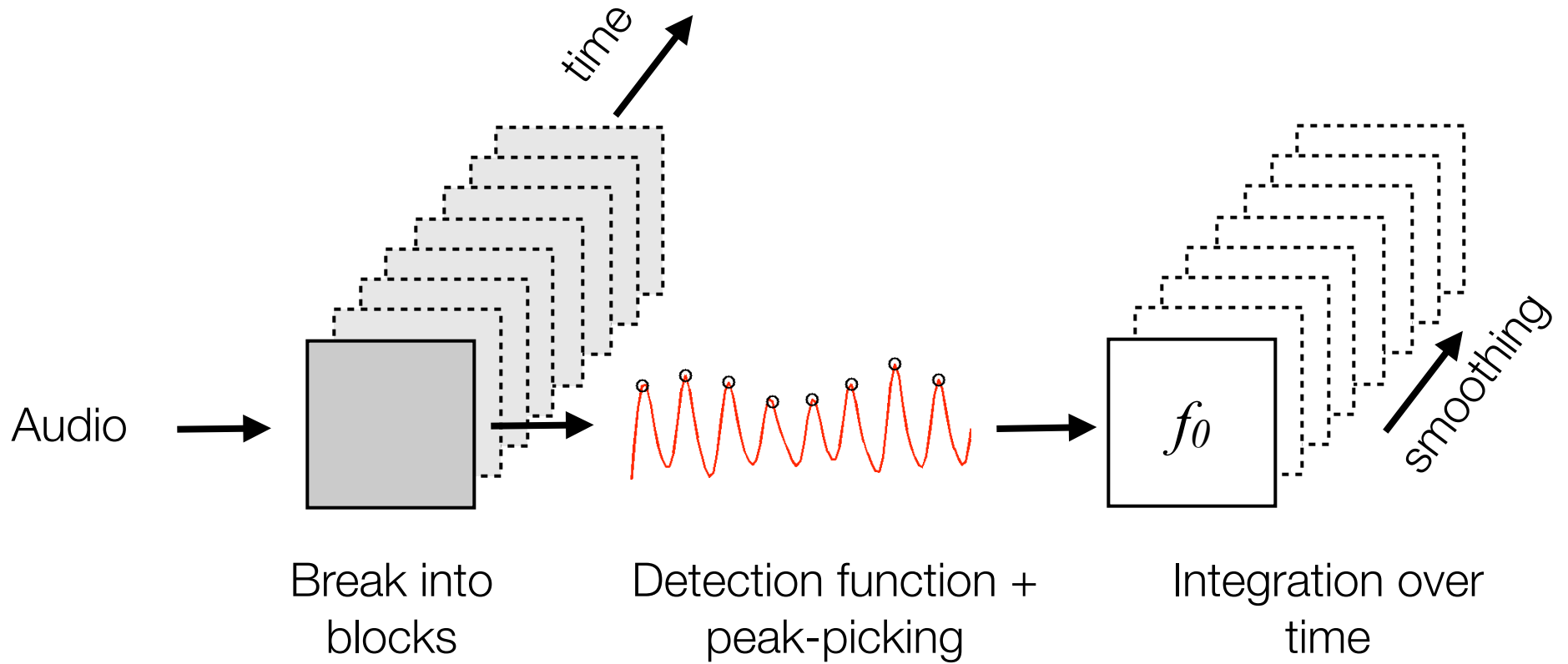
(b) C4 and G4 - a fifth



(c) C4 and C5 - an octave

# Architecture

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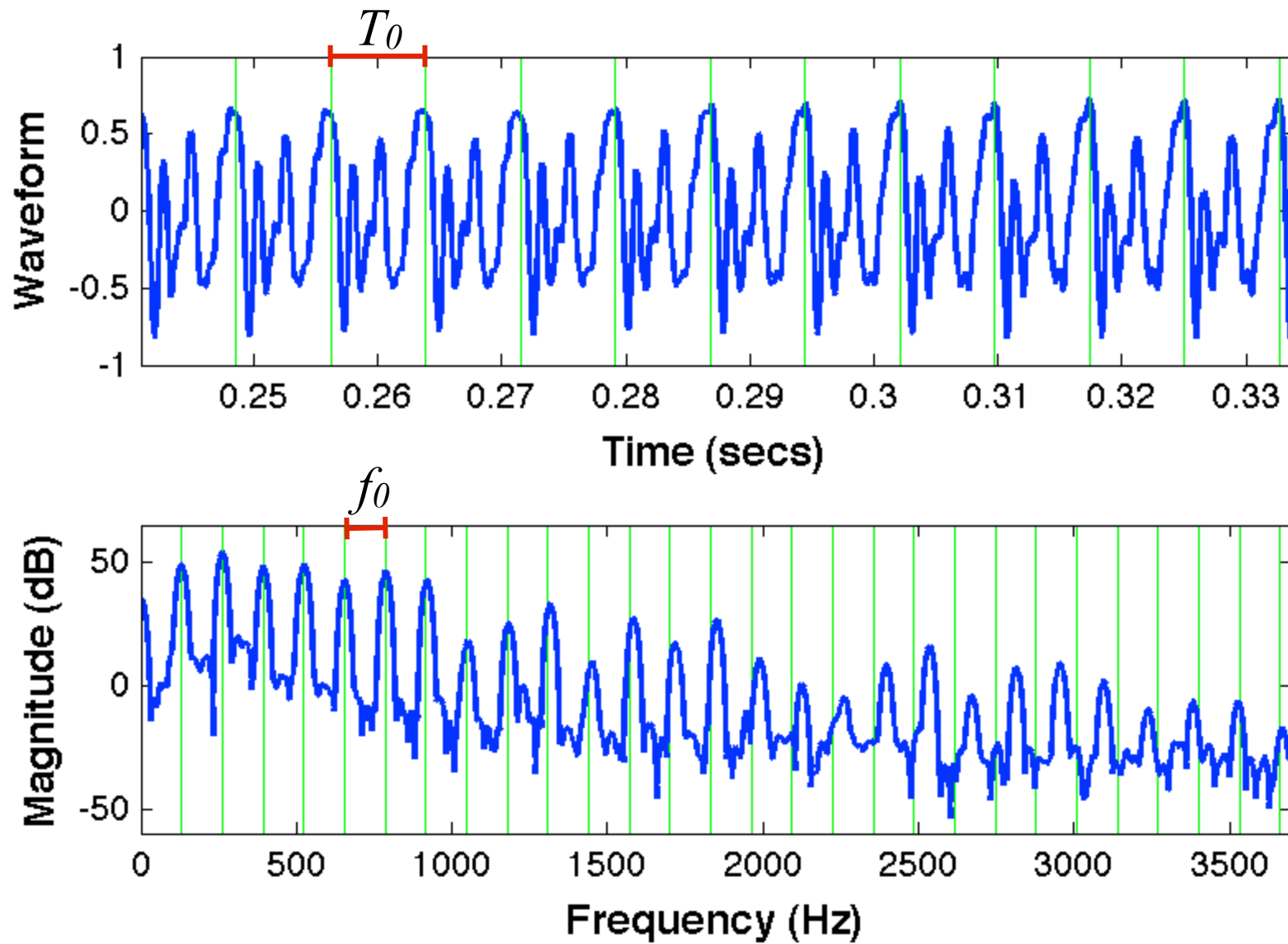
# Overview of Methods

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- DFT
- Autocorrelation
- Spectral Pattern Matching
- Cepstrum
- Spectral Autocorrelation
- YIN
- Auditory model

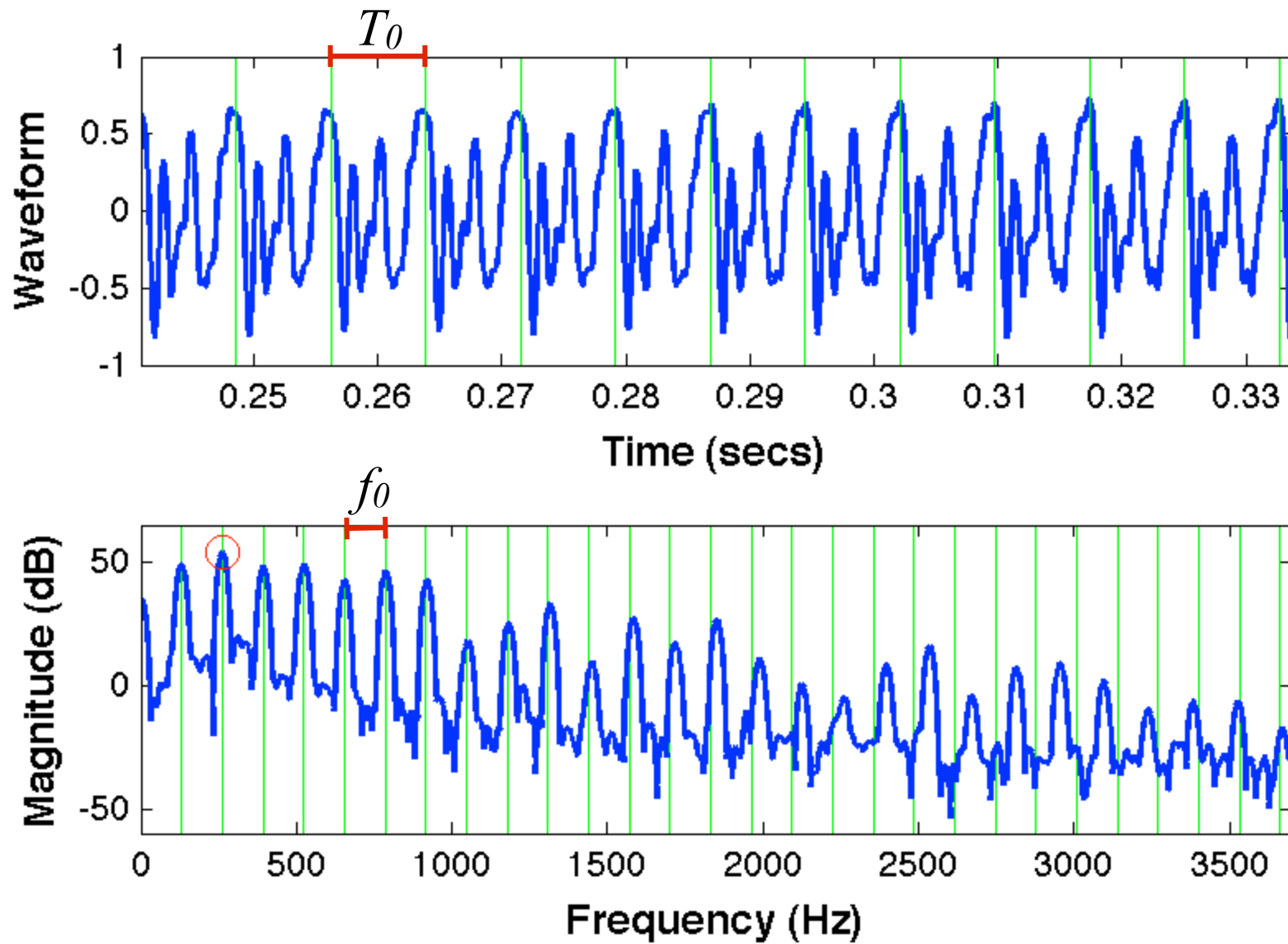
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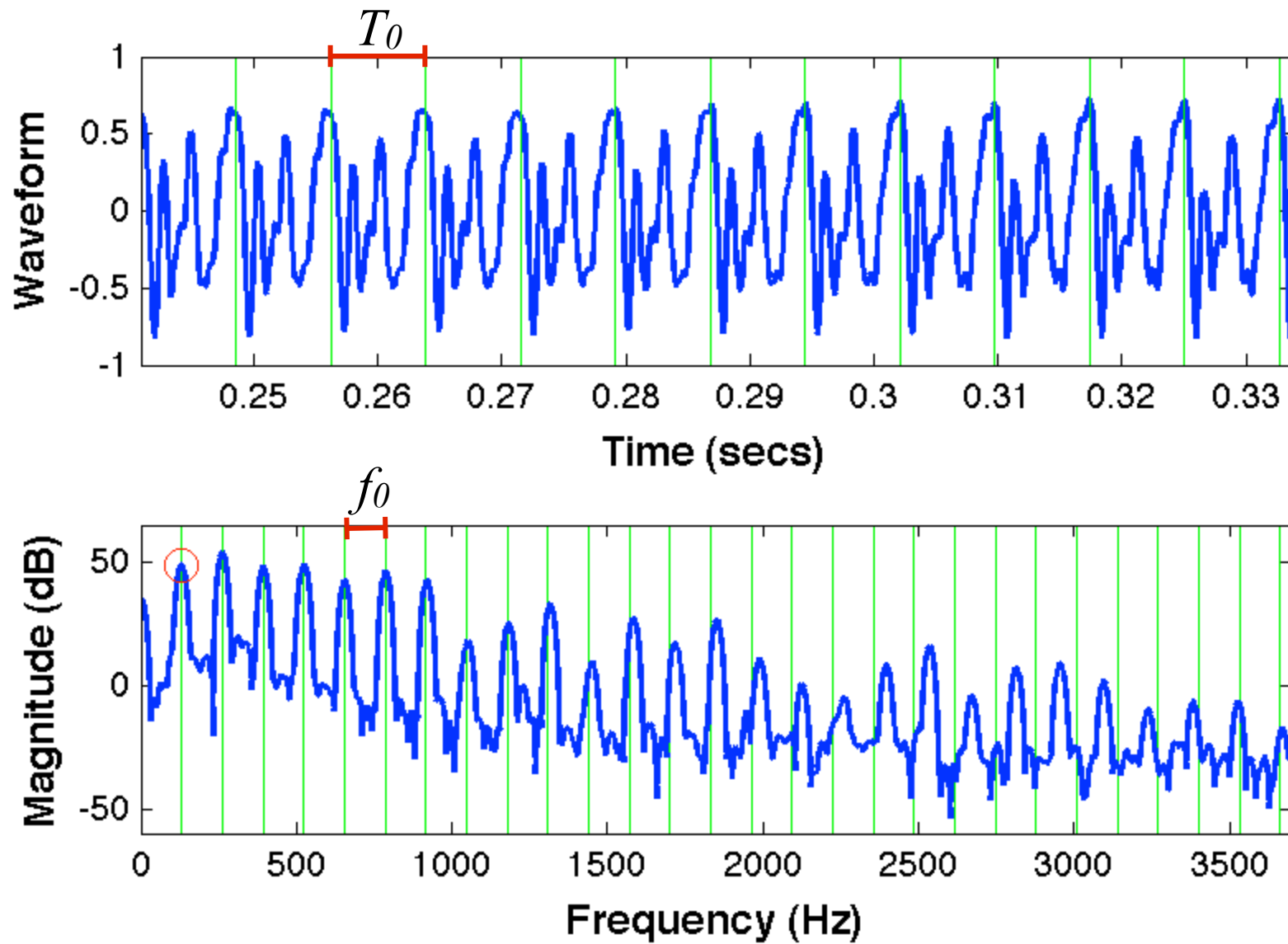
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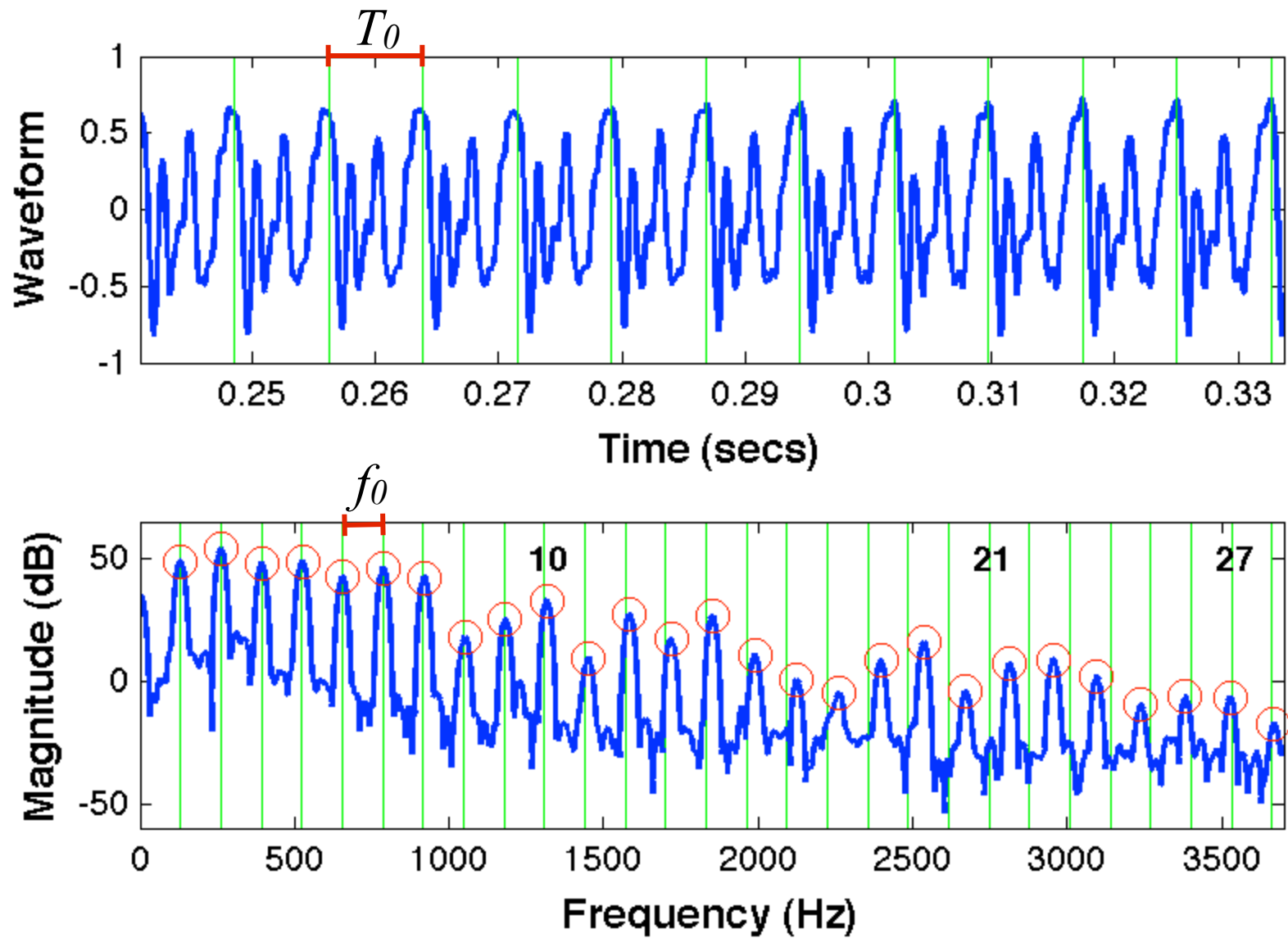


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# DFT



# Autocorrelation

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- Cross-product measures similarity across time
- Cross-correlation of two real-valued signals  $x$  and  $y$ :

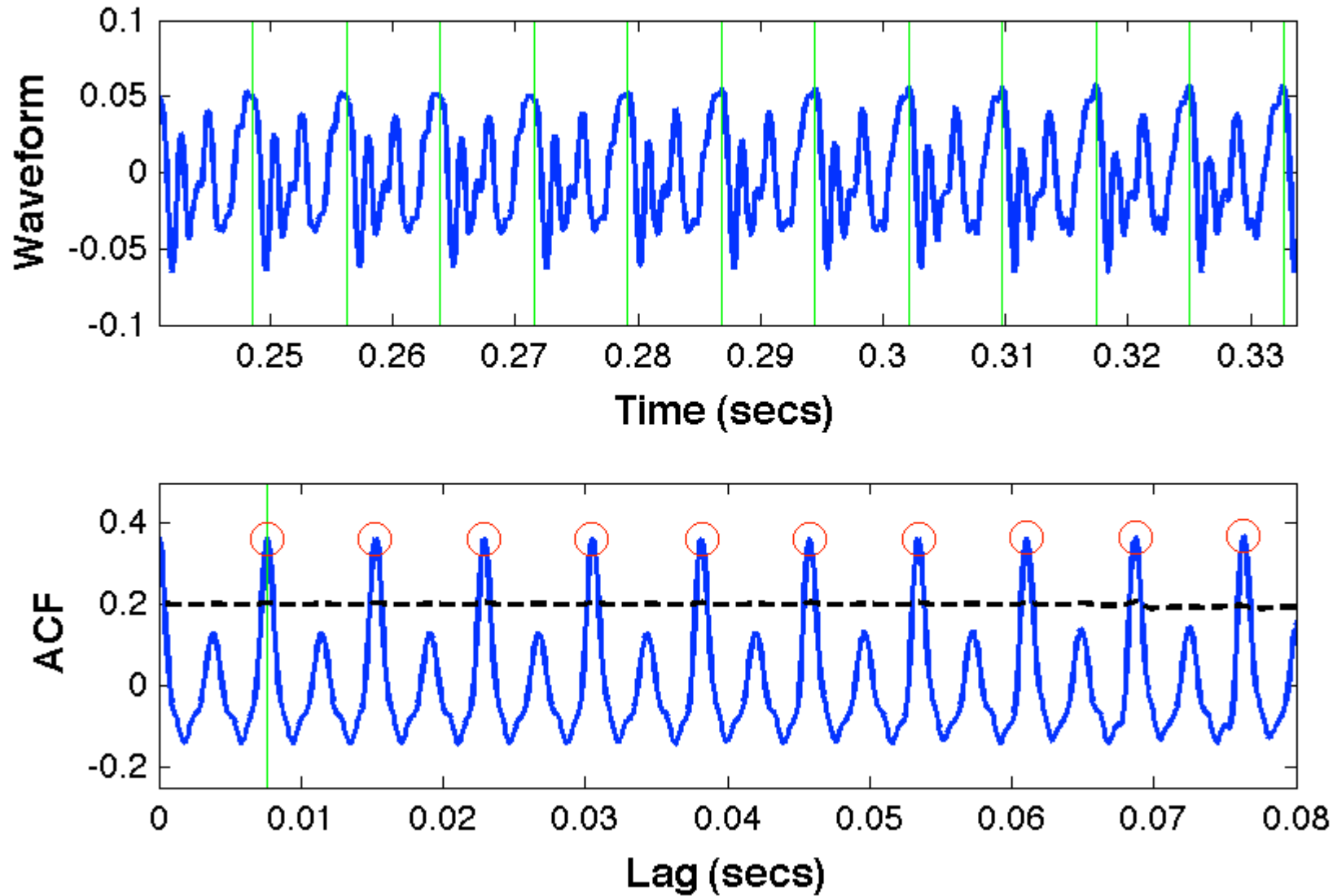
$$r_{xy}(l) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n)y(n+l) \leftarrow \text{modulo } N$$
$$l = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N - 1$$

- Unbiased (short-term) Autocorrelation Function (ACF):

$$r_x(l) = \frac{1}{N-l} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1-l} x(n)x(n+l)$$
$$l = 0, 1, 2, \dots, L - 1$$

# Autocorrelation

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- The short-term ACF can also be computed as:

$$r_x(l) = \left( \frac{1}{N-l} \right) \text{real}(IFFT(|X|^2))$$

$$X \rightarrow FFT(x)$$

$x$  zero-padded to next power of 2

after  $(N + L) - 1$

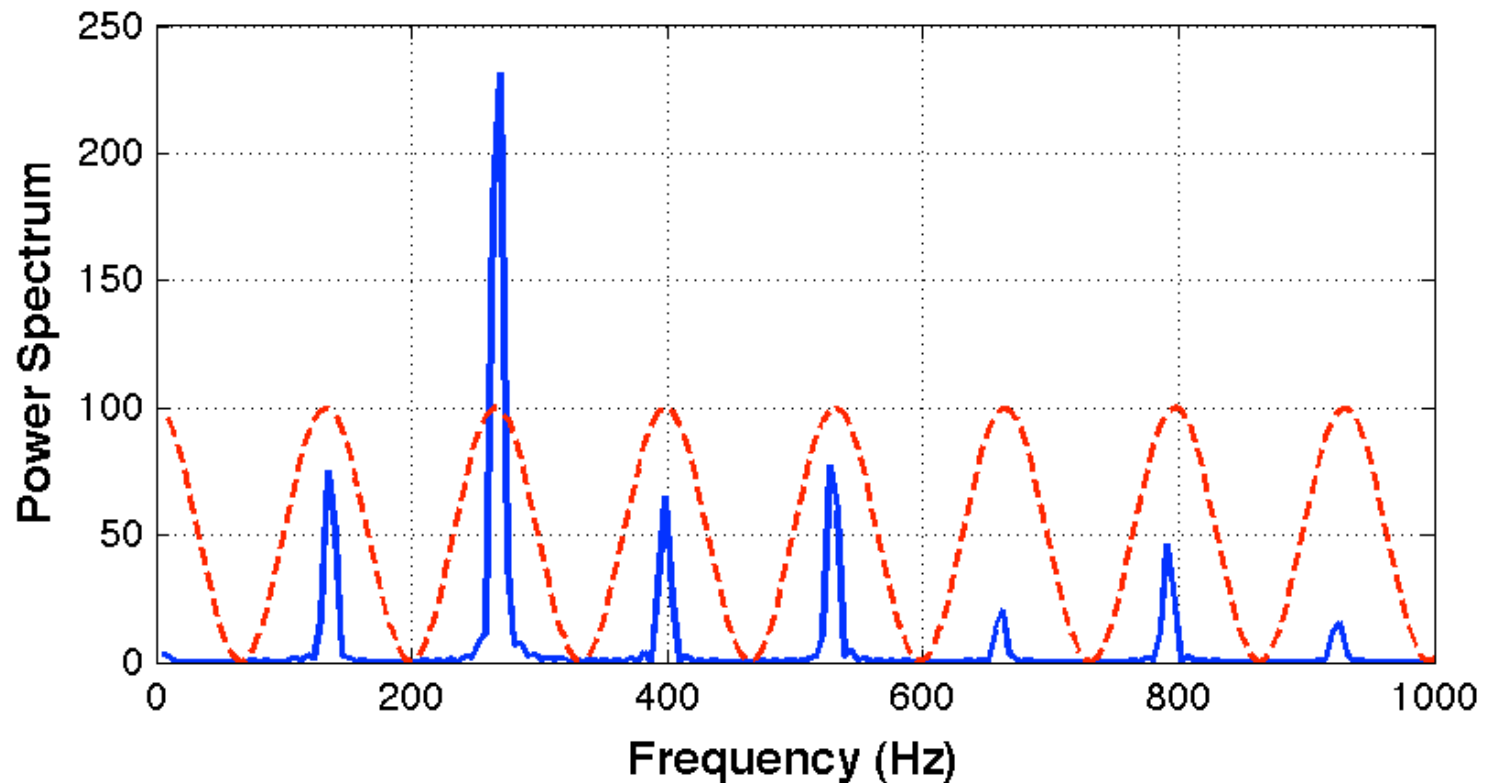


# Autocorrelation

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- This is equivalent to the following correlation:

$$r_x(l) = \frac{1}{K-l} \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} \cos(2\pi lk/K) |X(k)|^2$$

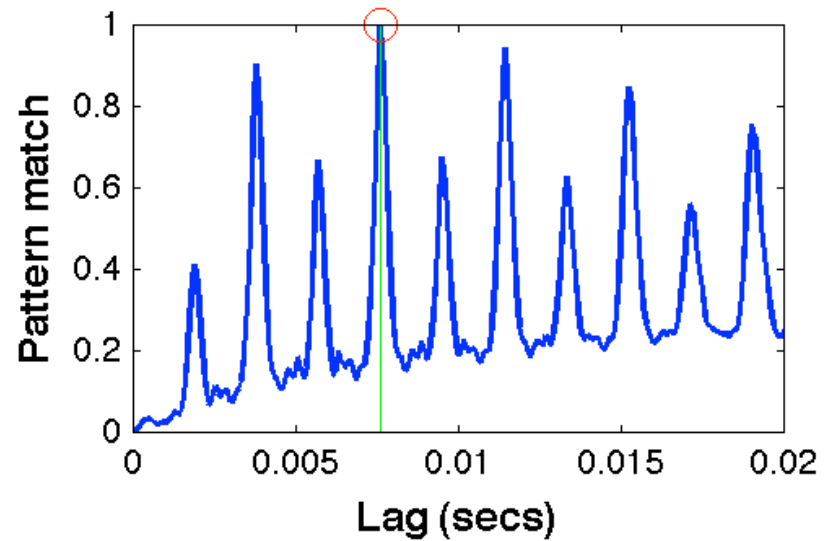
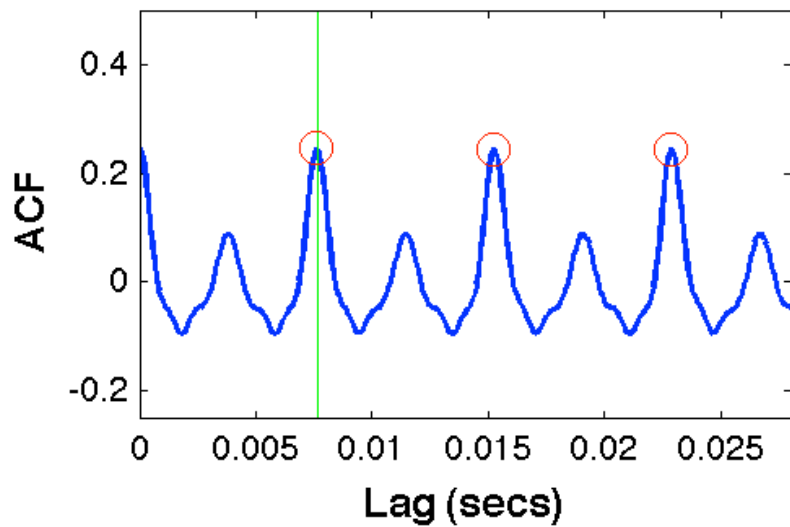
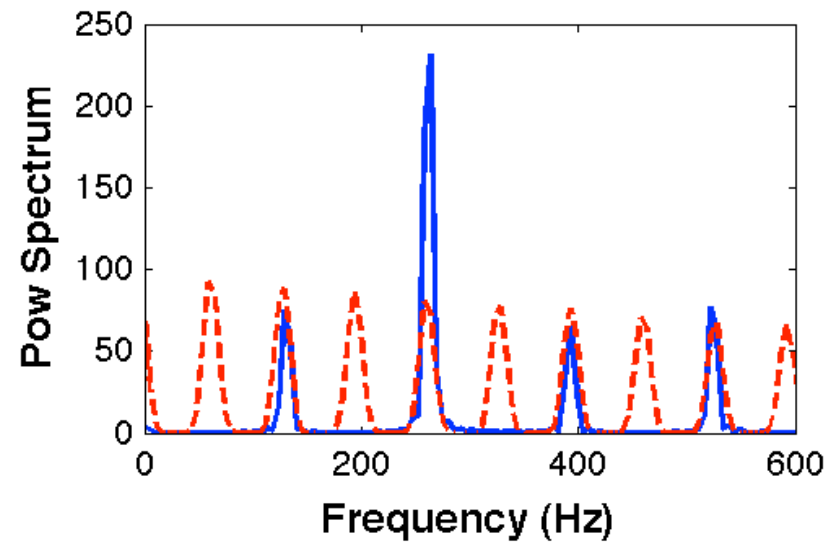
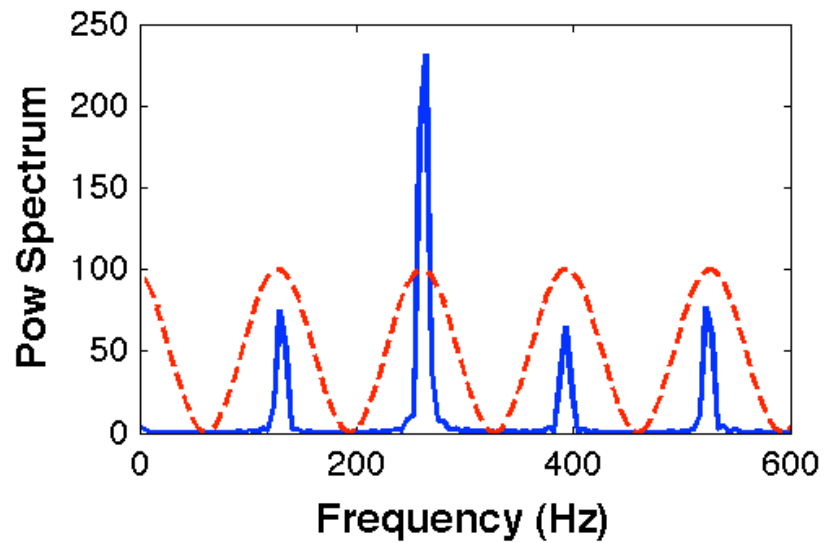


# Pattern Matching

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- Comb filtering is a common strategy
- Any other template that realistically fits the magnitude spectrum
- Templates can be specific to sound sources
- Matching strategies vary: correlation, likelihood, distance, etc.

# Pattern Matching



# Cepstrum

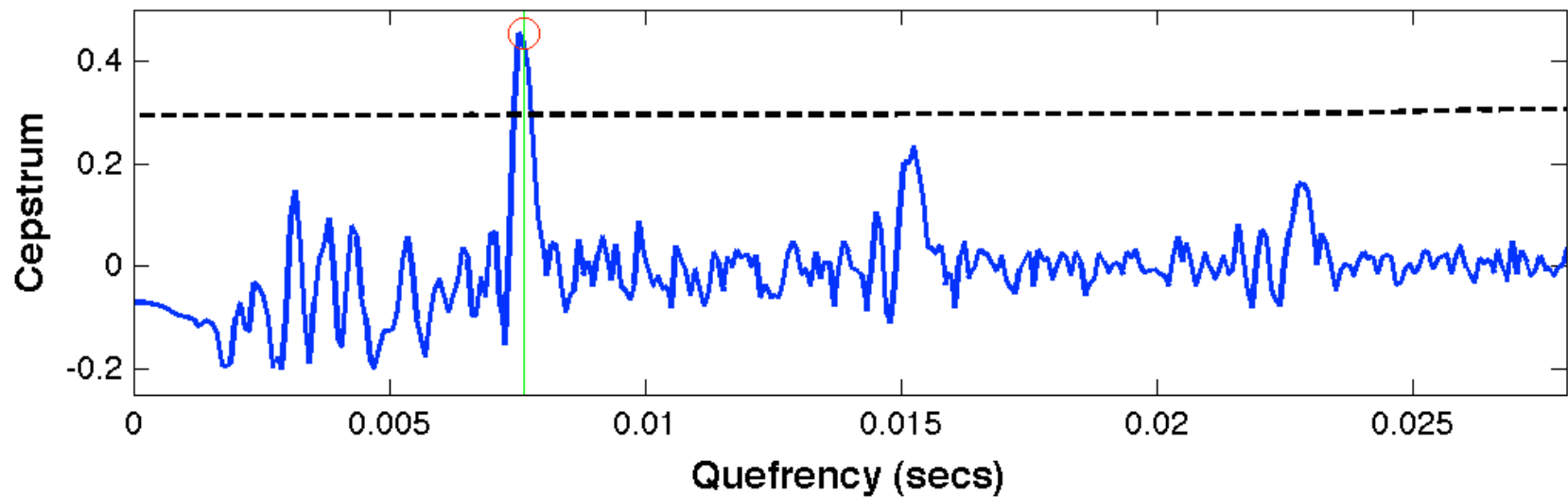
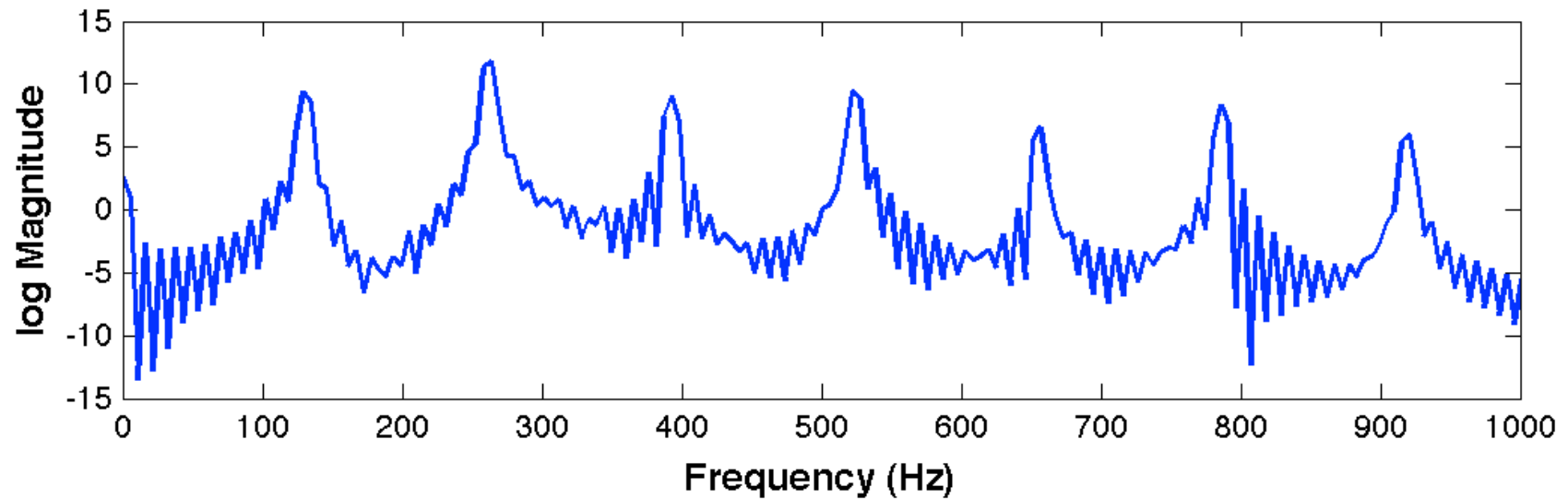
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- Treat the log magnitude spectrum as if it were a signal -> take its (I)DFT
- Measures rate of change across frequency bands (Bogert et al., 1963)
- Cepstrum -> Anagram of Spectrum (same for quefrequency, liftering, etc)
- For a real-valued signal is defined as:

$$c_x(l) = \text{real}(IFFT(\log(|FFT(x)|)))$$

# Cepstrum

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# Spectral ACF

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- Spectral location -> sensitive to quasi-periodicities
- (Quasi-)Periodic Spectrum, Spectral ACF.

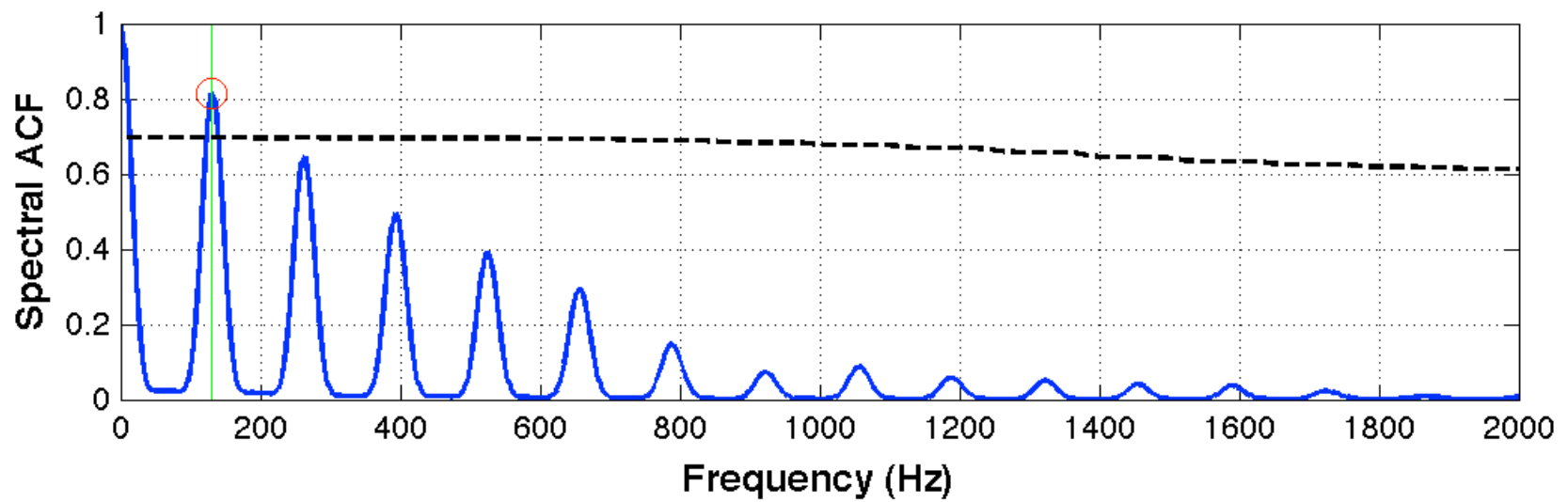
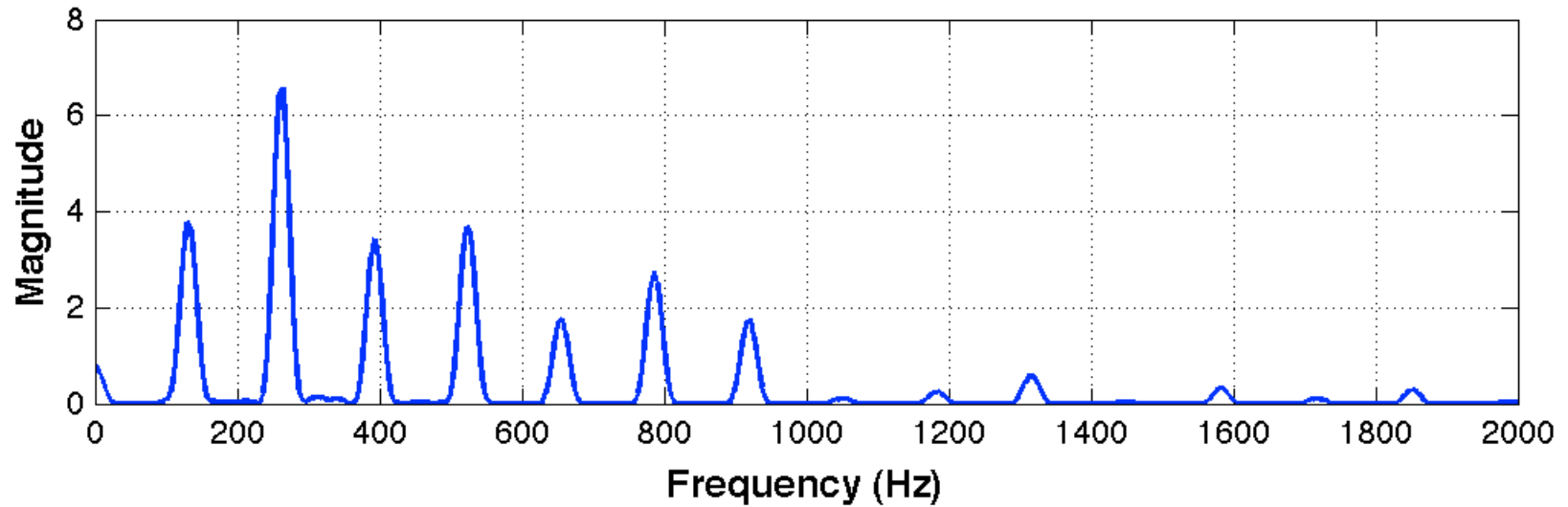
$$r_X(l_f) = \frac{1}{N - l_f} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1-l_f} |X(k)| |X(k + l_f)|$$

$$l_f = 0, 1, 2, \dots, L - 1$$

- Exploits intervalic information (more stable than locations of partials), while adding shift-invariance.

# Spectral ACF

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# YIN

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- Alternative to the ACF that uses the squared difference function (deCheveigne, 02):

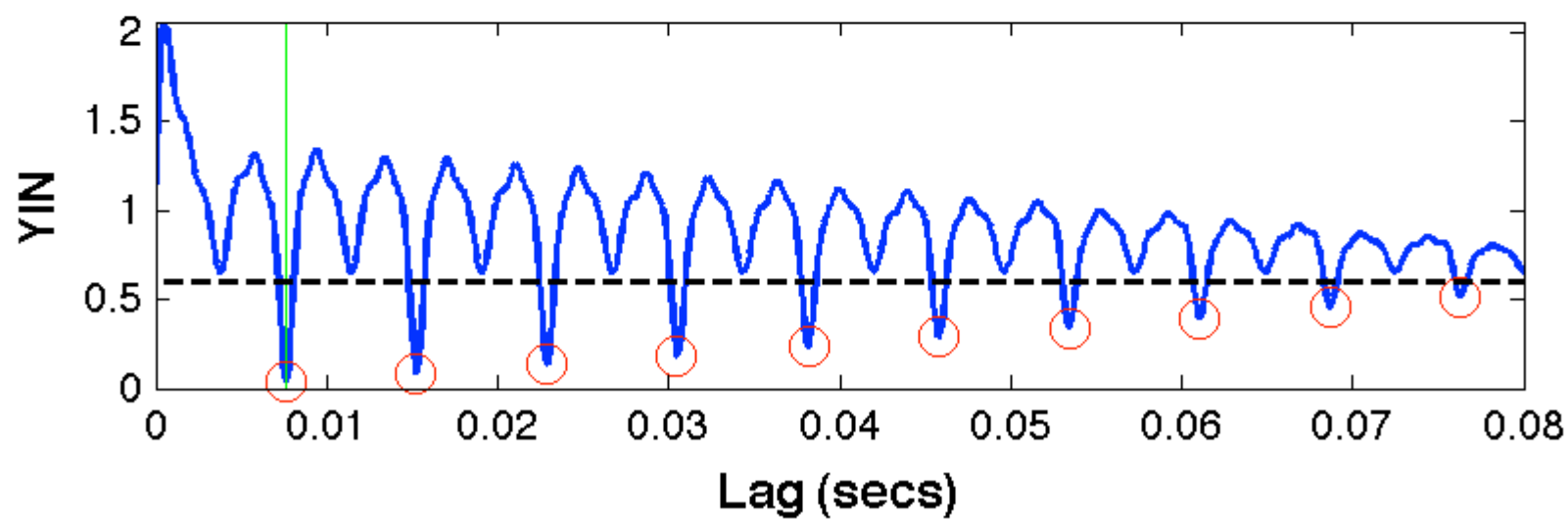
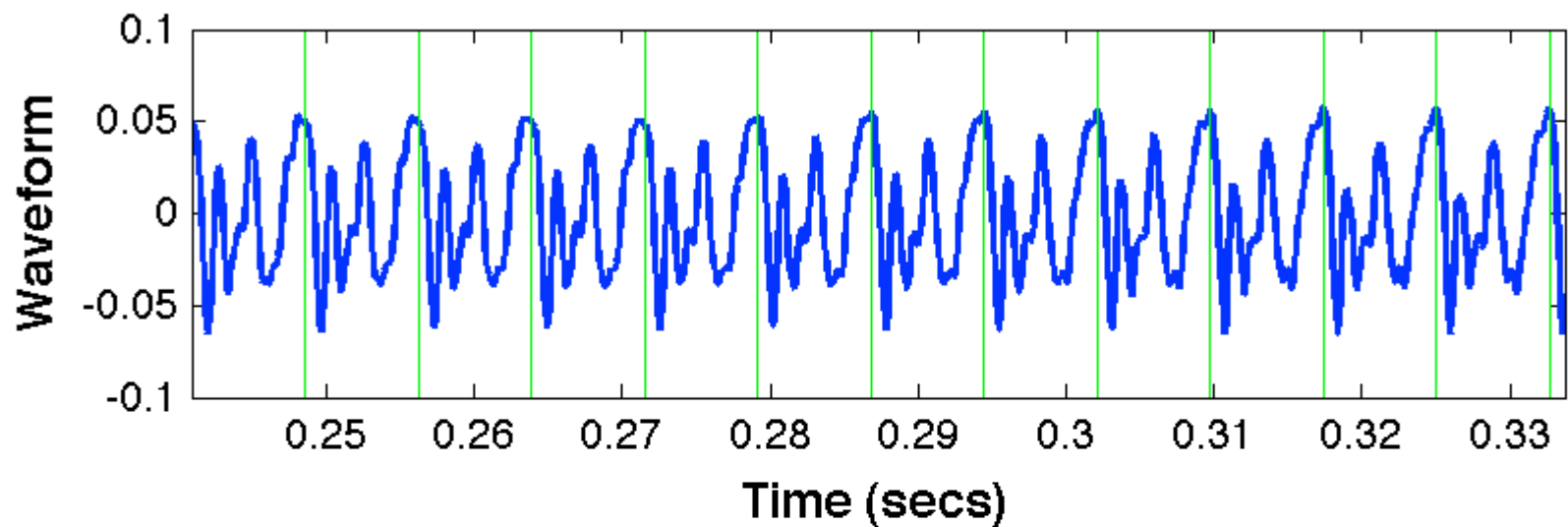
$$d(l) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1-l} (x(n) - x(n+l))^2$$

- For (quasi-)periodic signals, this functions cancel itself at  $l = 0, l_0$  and its multiples. Zero-lag bias is avoided by normalizing as:

$$\hat{d}(l) = \begin{cases} 1 & l = 0 \\ d(l) / [(1/l) \sum_{u=1}^l d(u)] & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

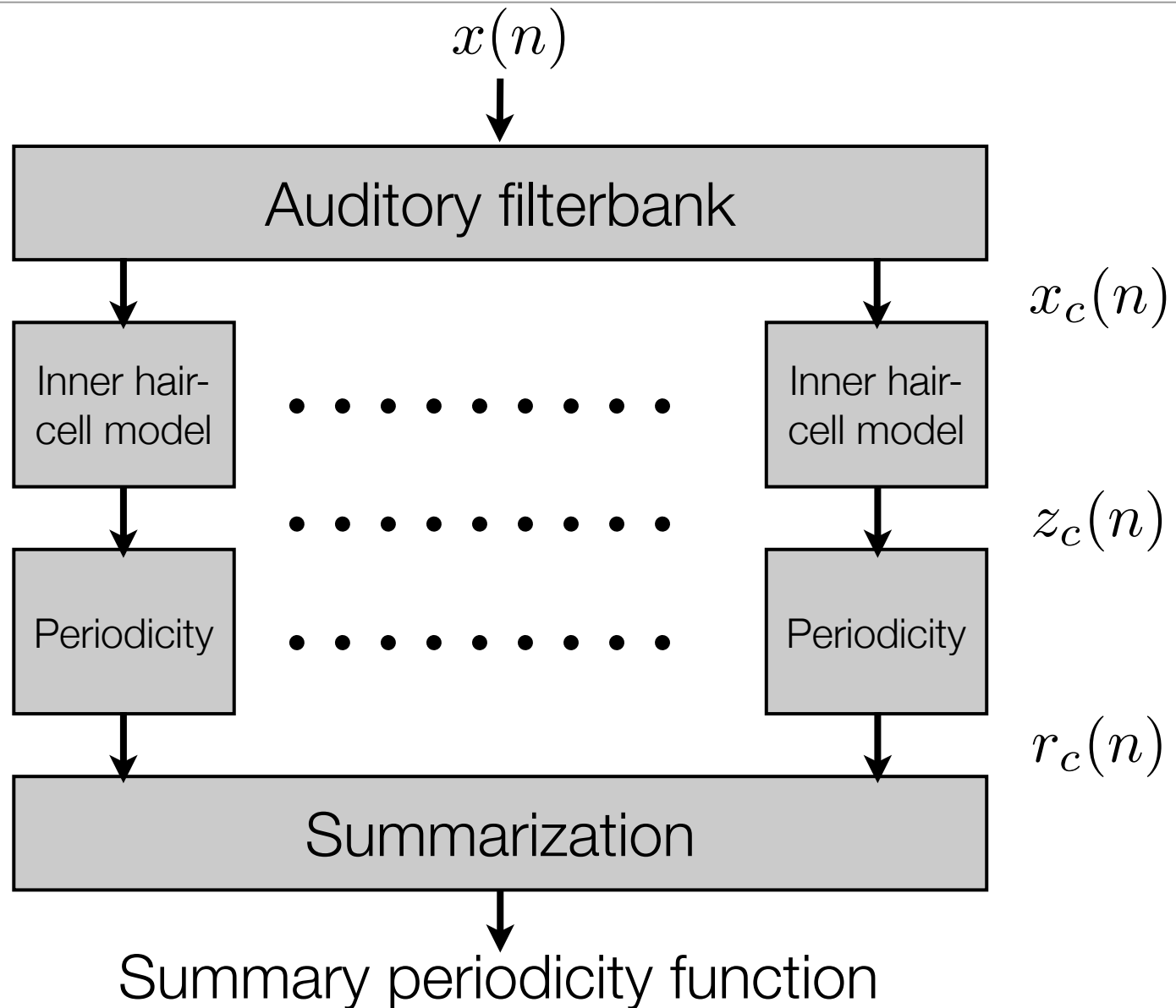
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# Auditory model

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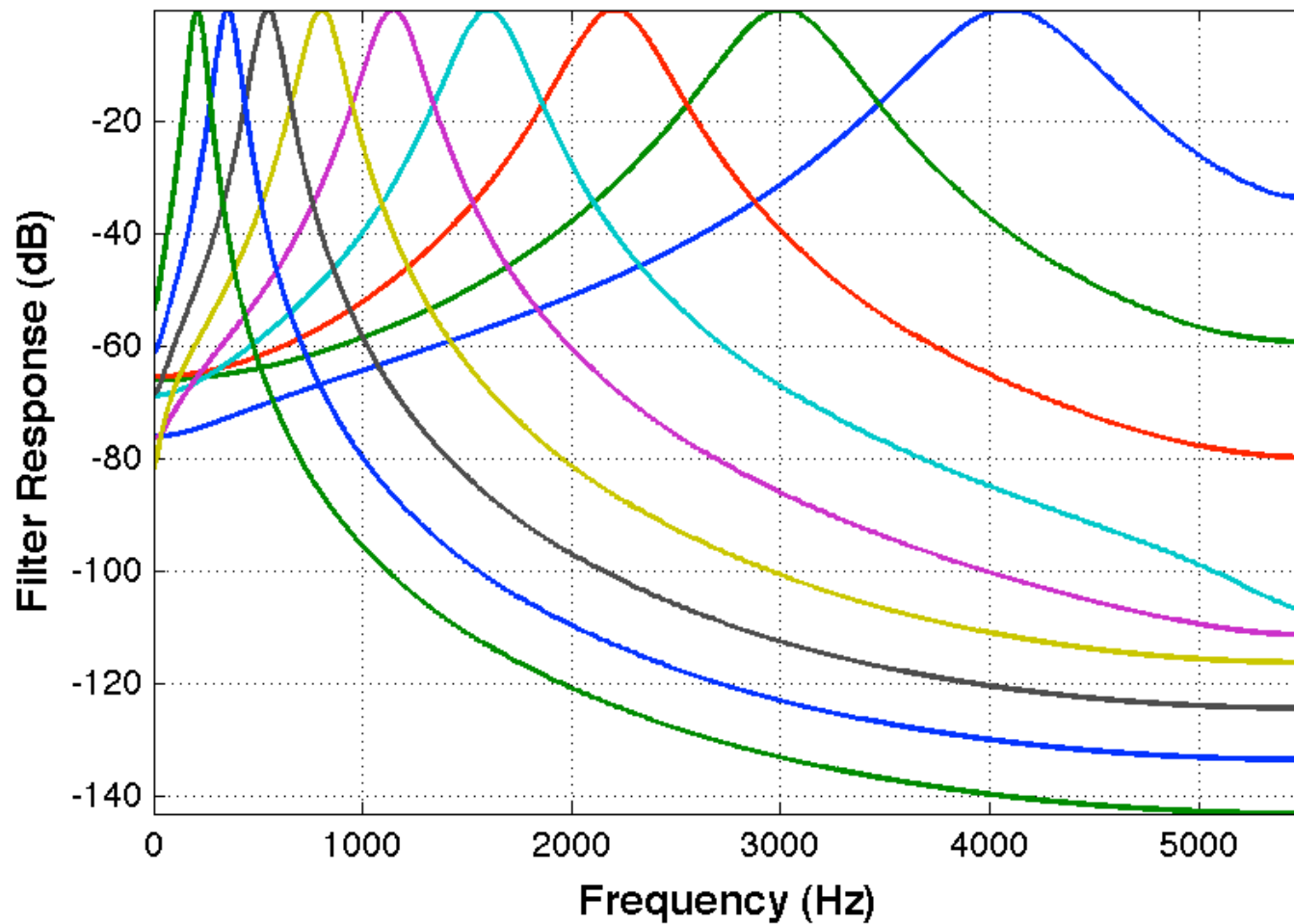




# Auditory model

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- Auditory filterbank: gammatone filters (Slaney, 93; Klapuri, 06):



# Auditory model

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The Equivalent Rectangular Bandwidths (ERB)  
of the filters:

$$b_c = 0.108f_c + 24.7$$

$$f_c = 229 \times (10^{\psi/21.4} - 1)$$

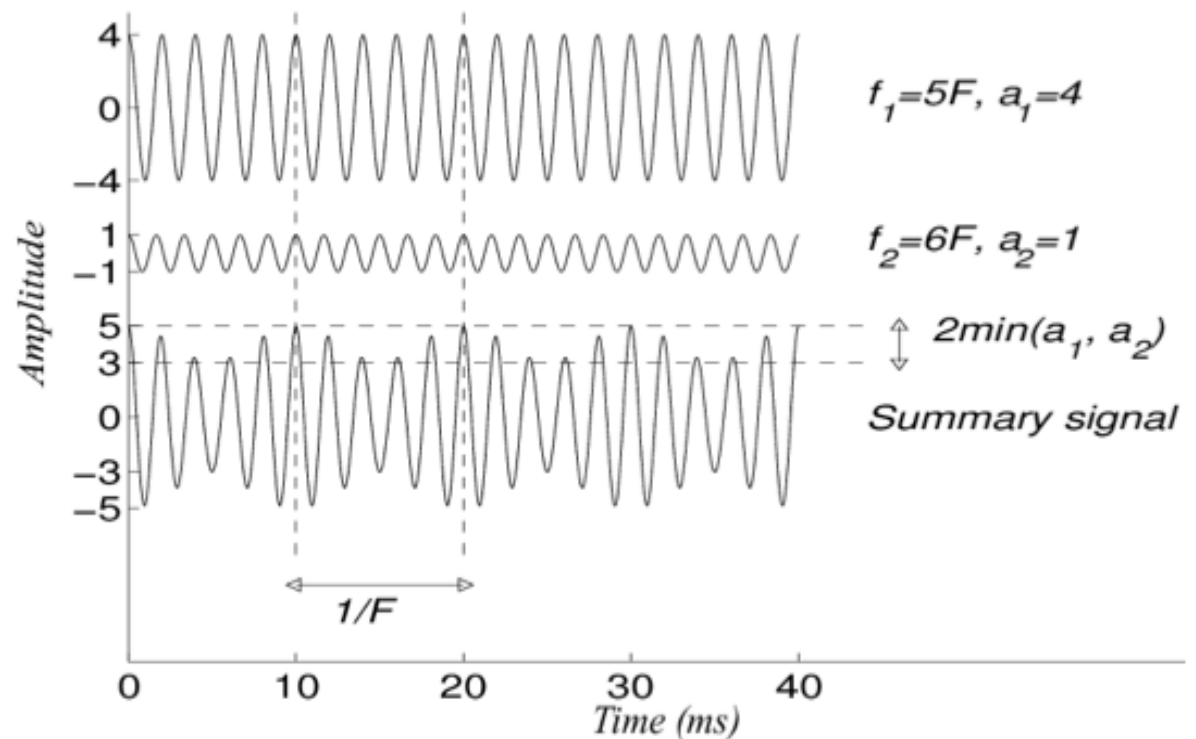
$$\psi = \psi_{min} : (\psi_{max} - \psi_{min})/F : \psi_{max}$$

$$\psi_{min/max} = 21.4 \times \log_{10}(0.00437 f_{min/max} + 1)$$

$F$  = number of filters.

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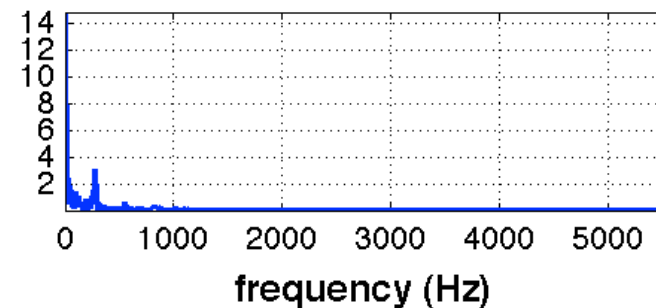
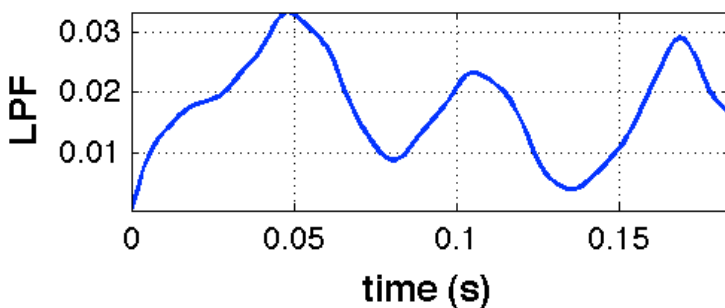
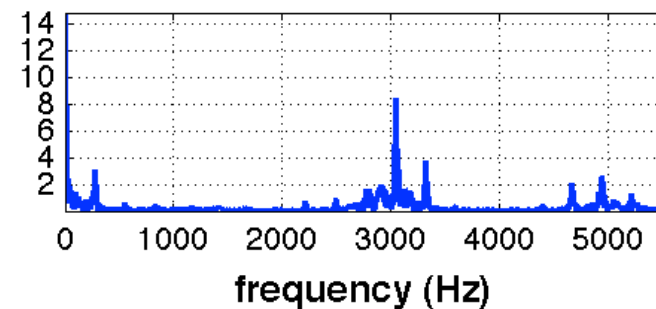
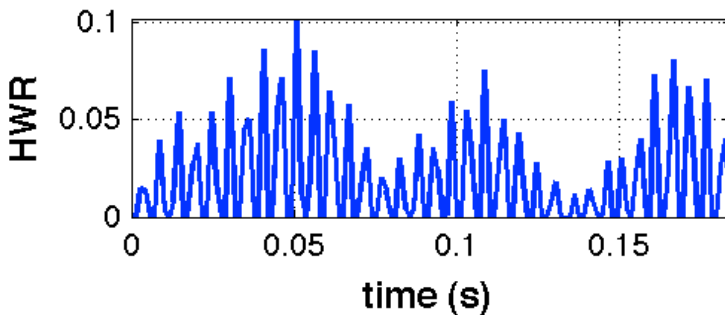
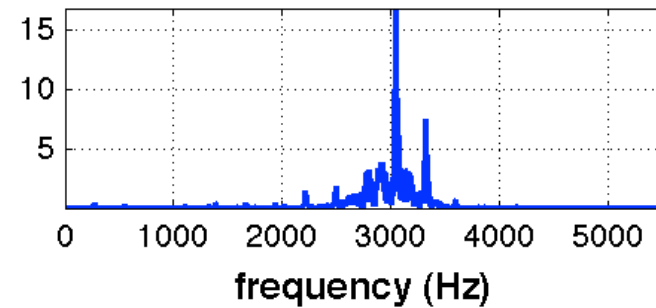
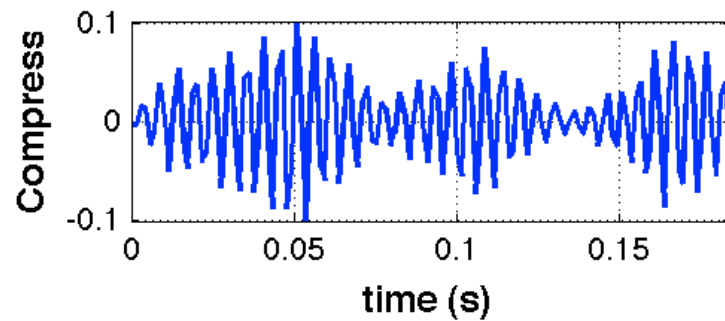
- Beating: interference between sounds of frequencies  $f_1$  and  $f_2$
- Fluctuation of amplitude envelope of frequency  $|f_2 - f_1|$
- The magnitude of the beating is determined by the smaller of the two amplitudes



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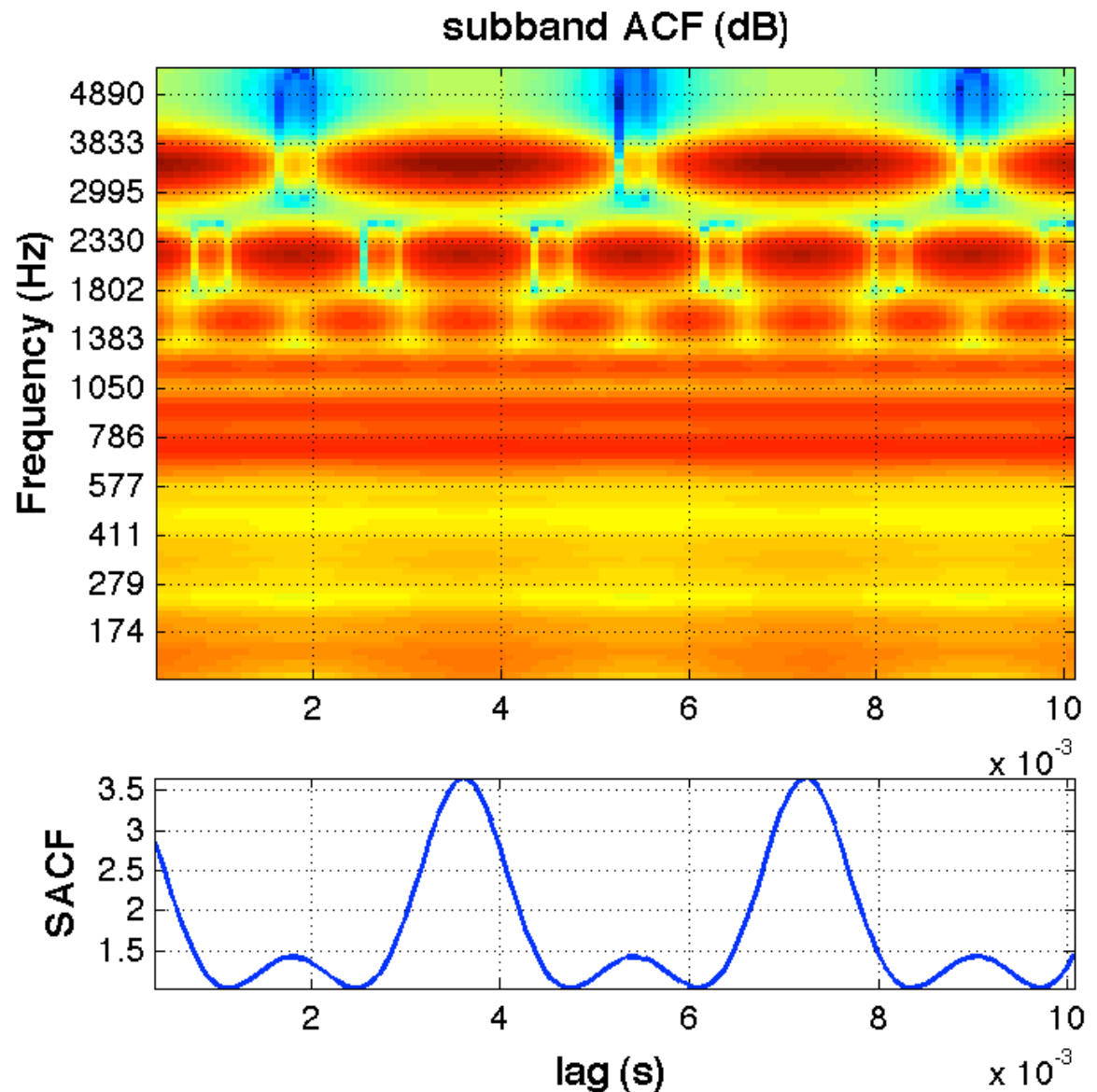
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- Inner hair-cell (IHC) model:



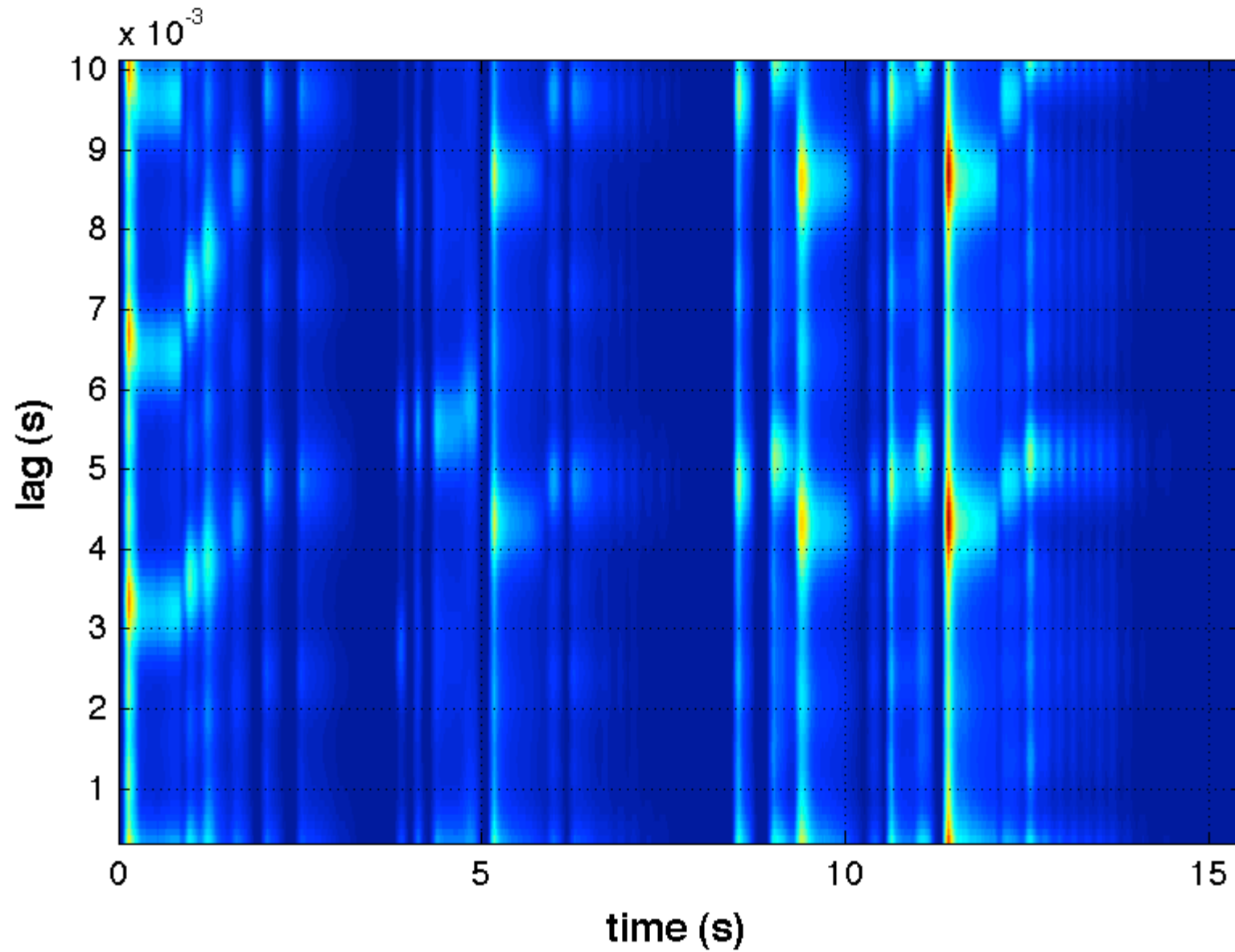
# Auditory model

- Sub-band periodicity analysis using ACF
- Summing across channels (Summary ACF)
- Weighting of the channels changes the topology of the SACF



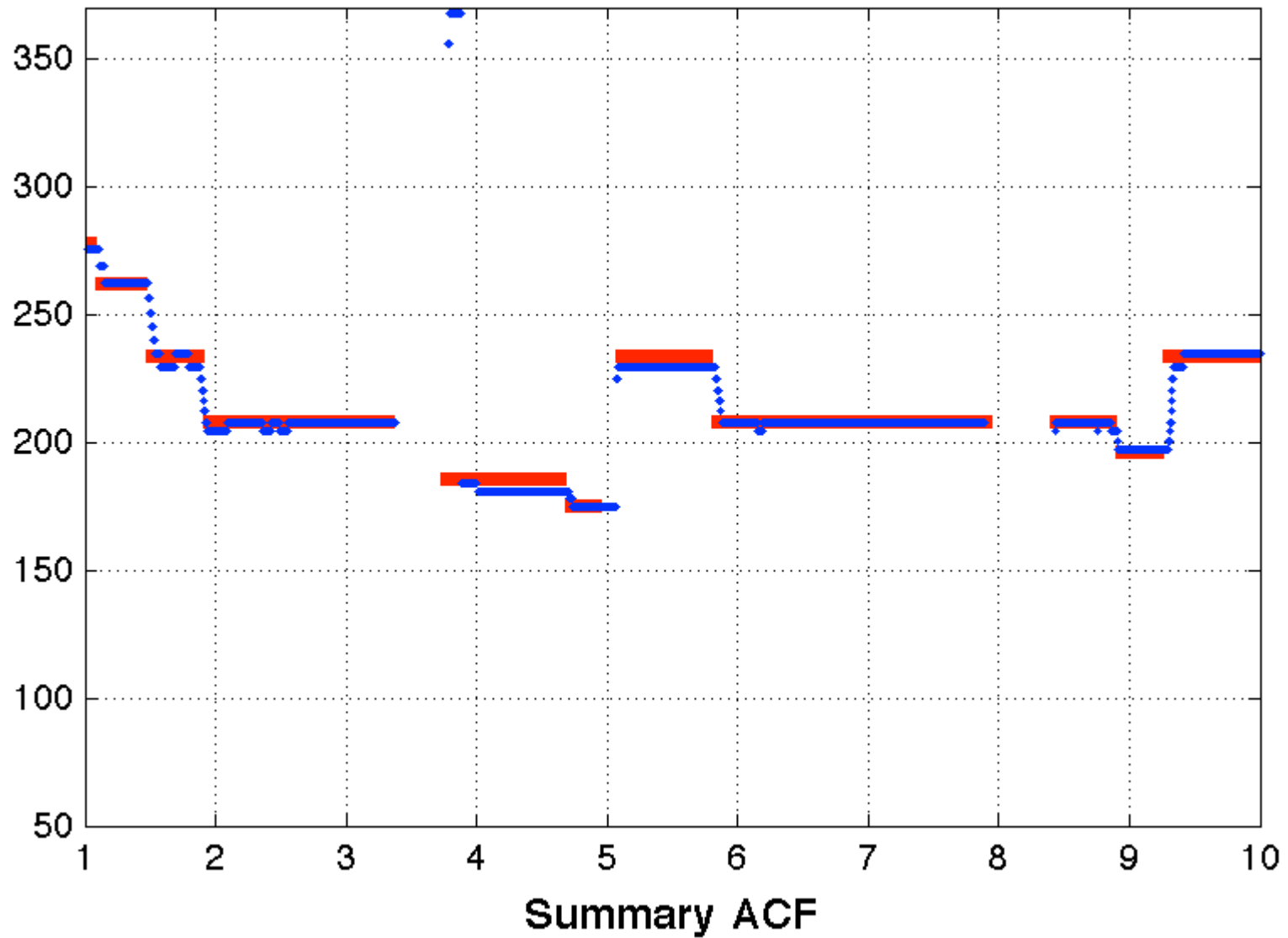
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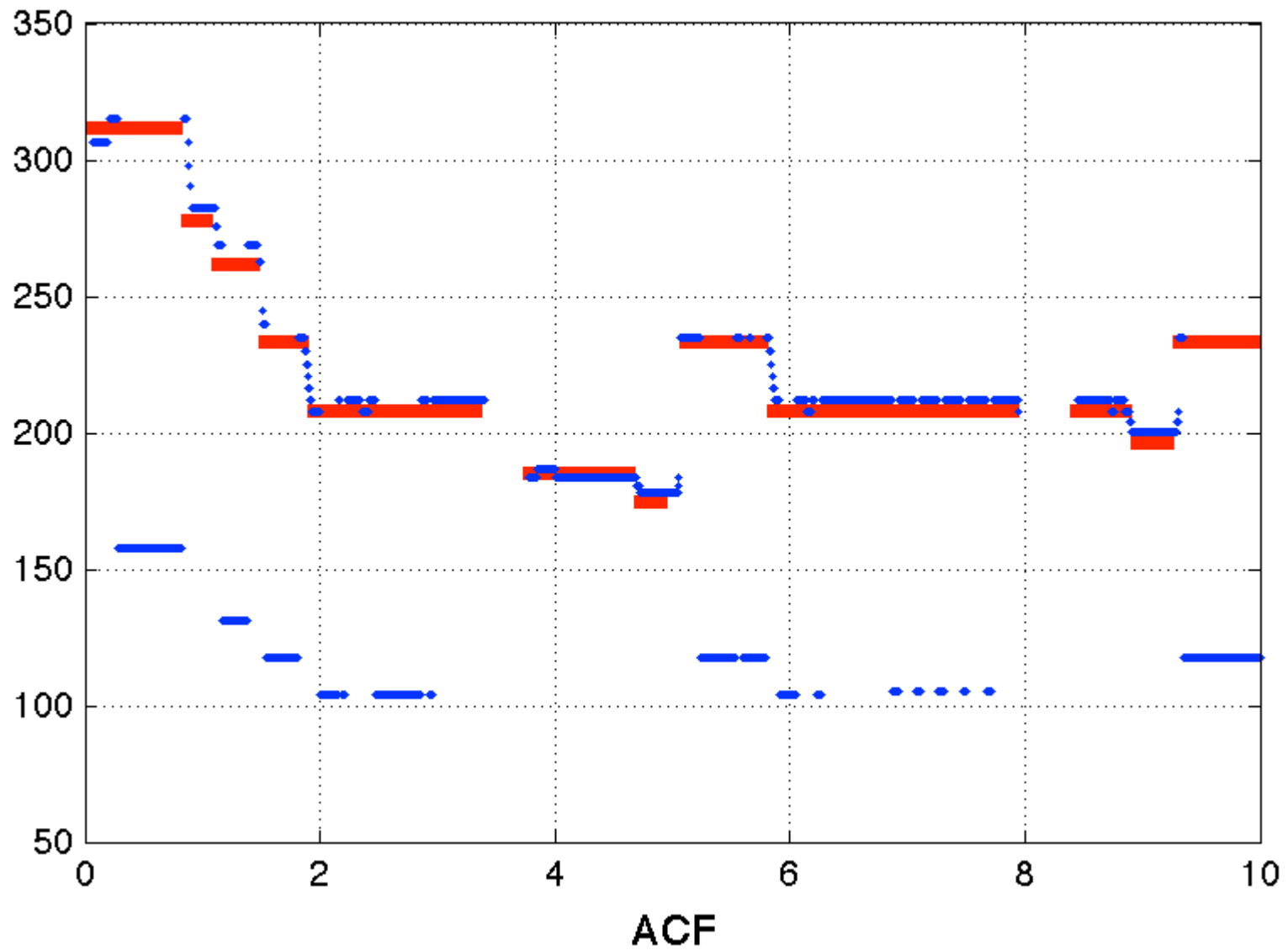


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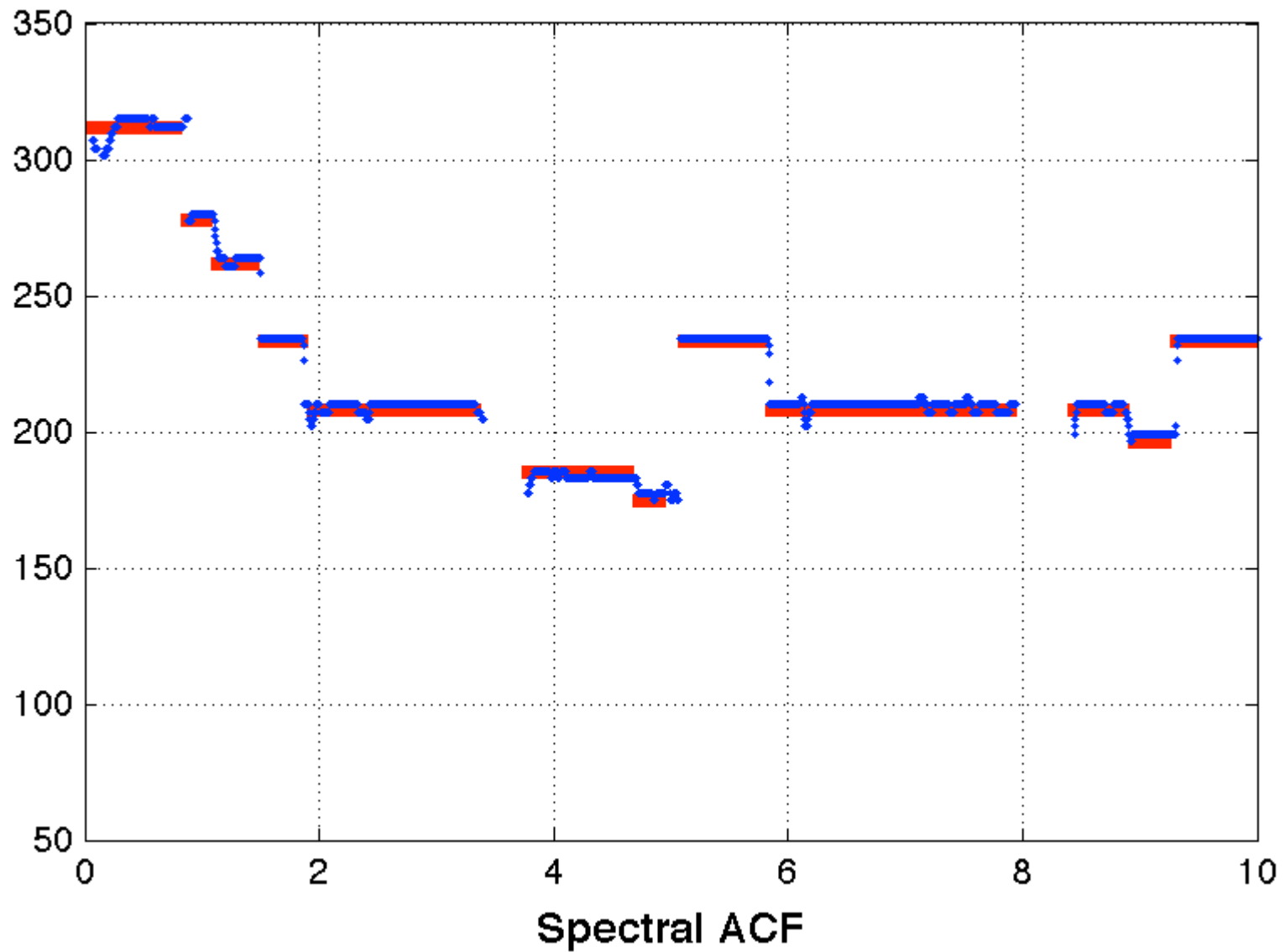
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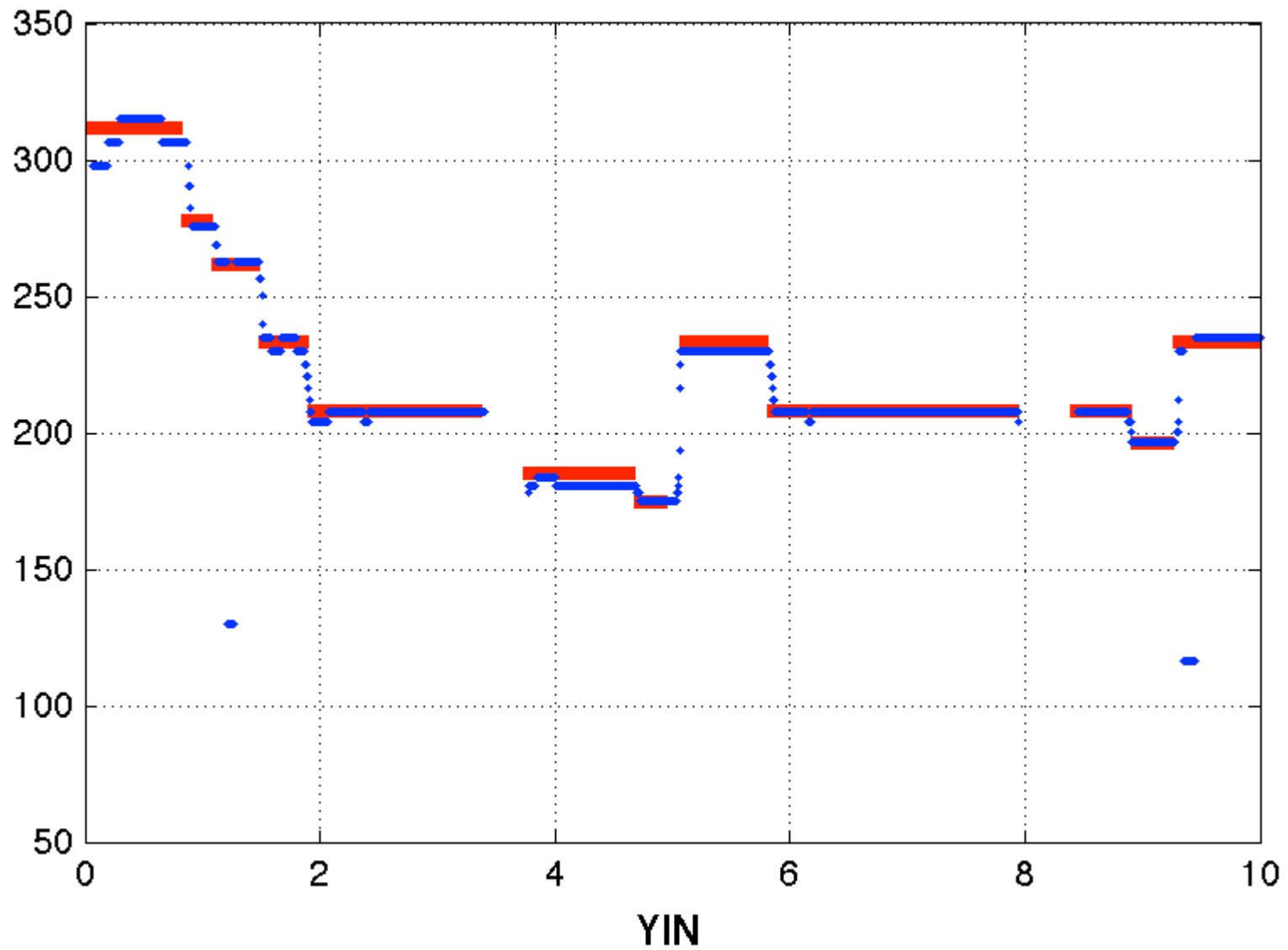


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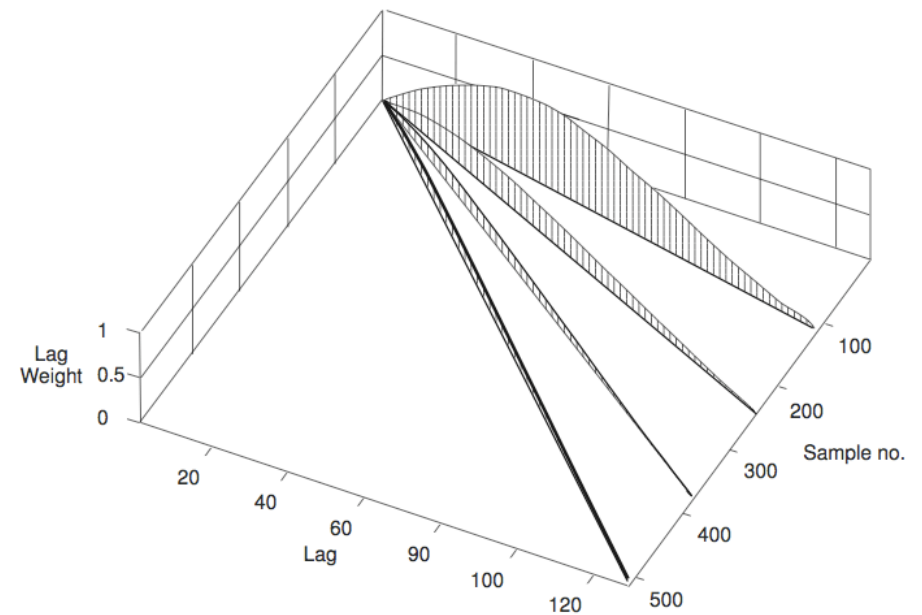
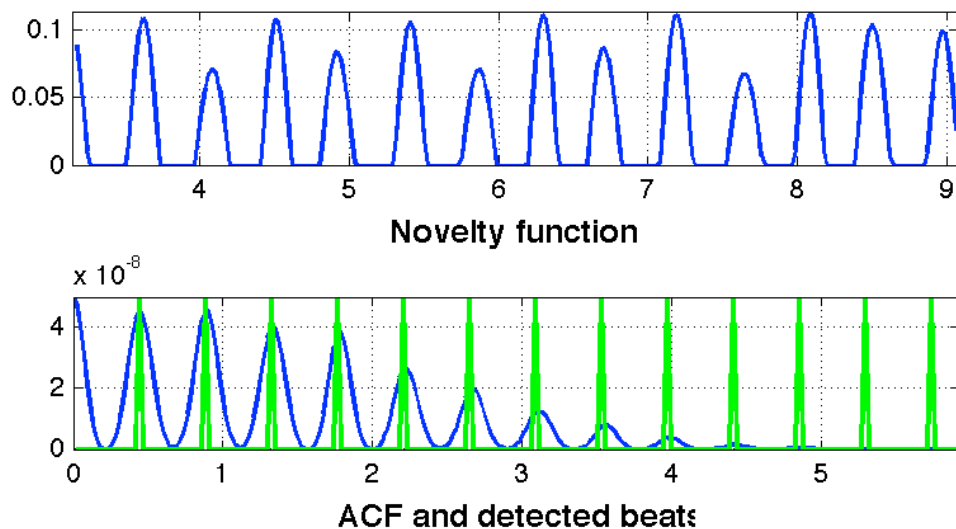
# Tempo

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- Tempo refers to the pace of a piece of music and is usually given in beats per minutes (BPM).
- Global quality vs time-varying local characteristic.
- Thus, in computational terms we differentiate between tempo estimation and tempo (beat) tracking.
- In tracking, beats are described by both their rate and phase.
- Vast literature: see, e.g. Hainsworth, 06; or Goto, 06 for reviews.

# Tempo estimation and tracking (Davies, 05)

- Novelty function (NF): remove local mean + half-wave rectify
- Periodicity: dot multiply ACF of NF with a weighted comb filterbank



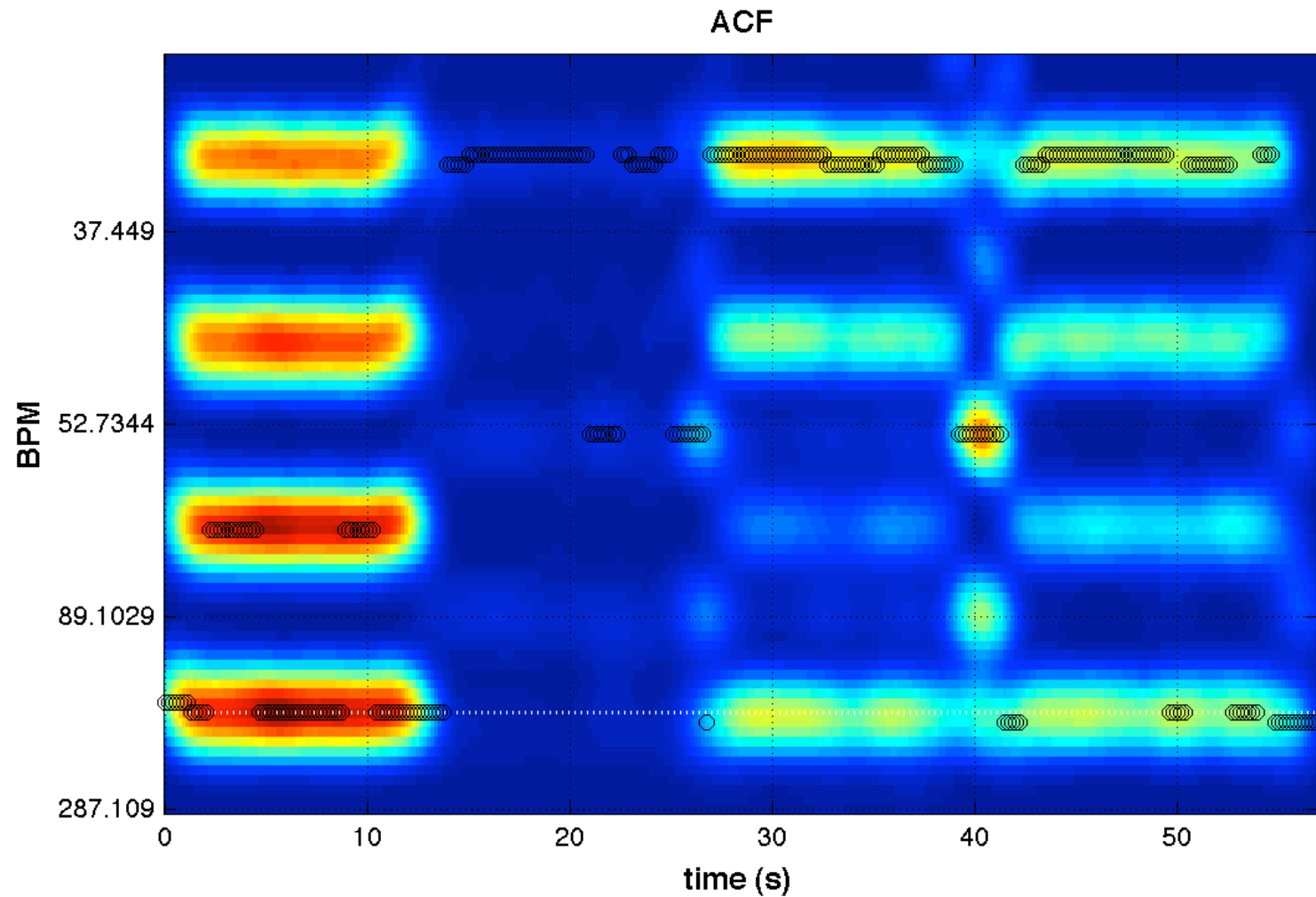
$$R_w(l) = (l/b^2)e^{-\frac{l^2}{2b^2}}$$

\*From Davies and Plumbley, ICASSP 2005

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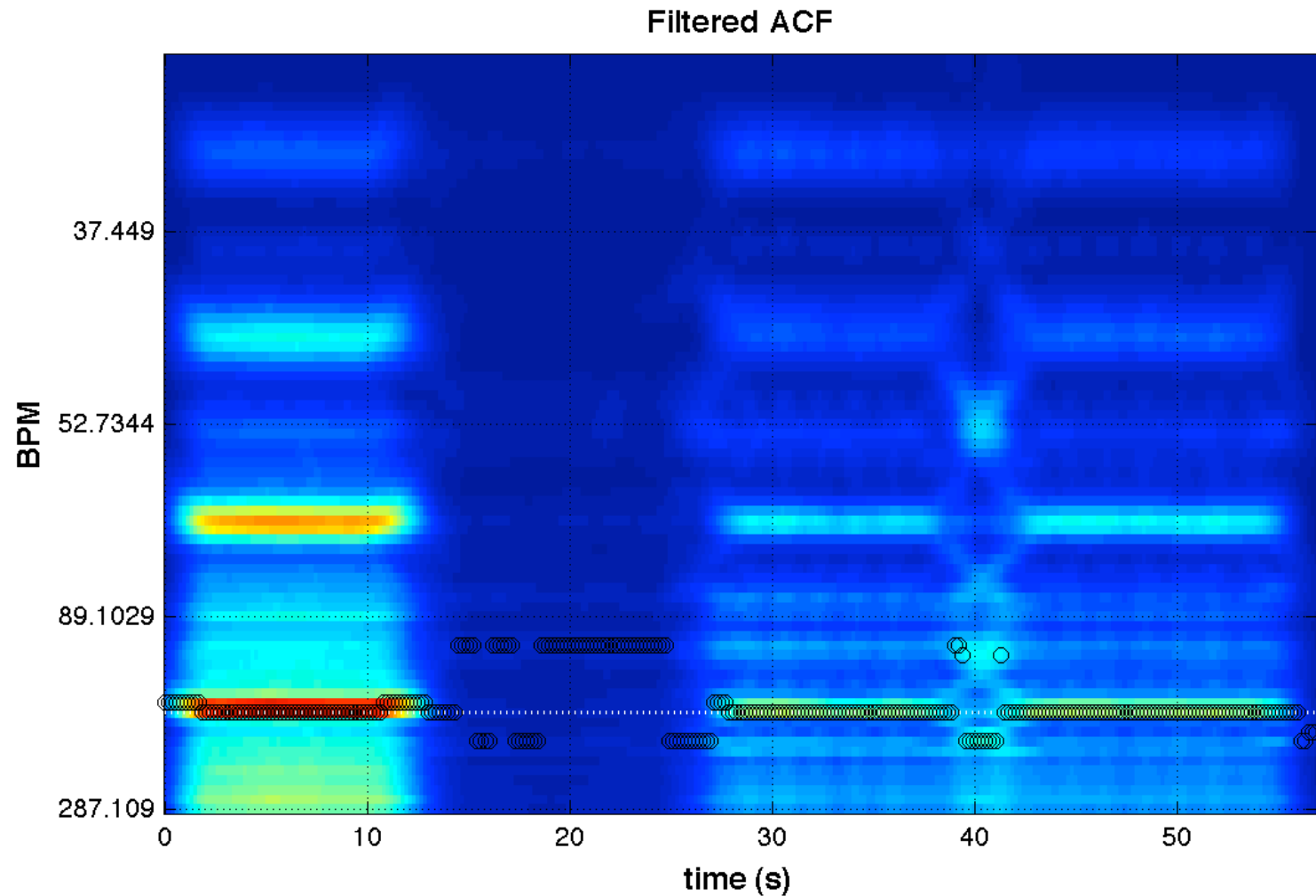
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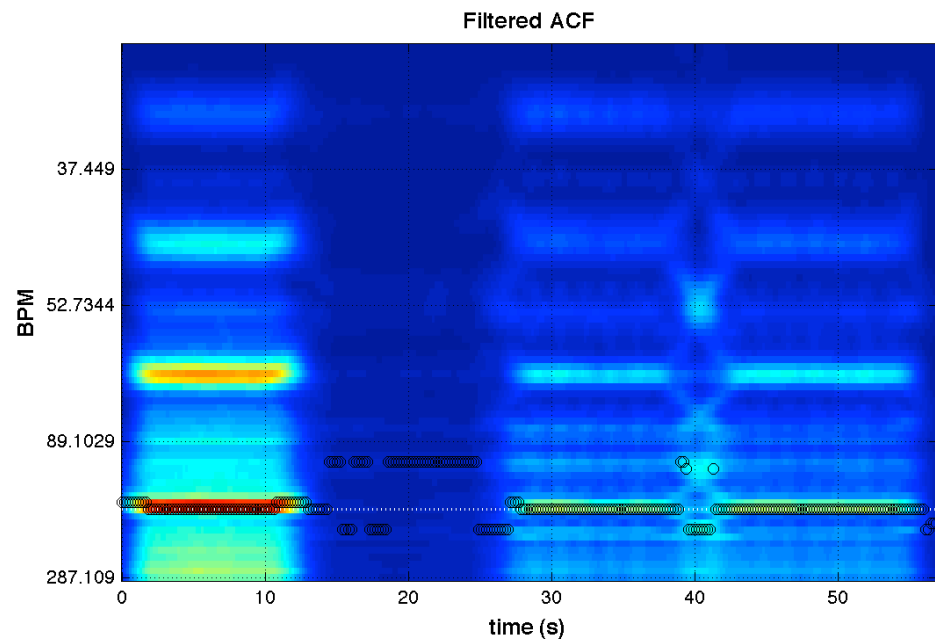
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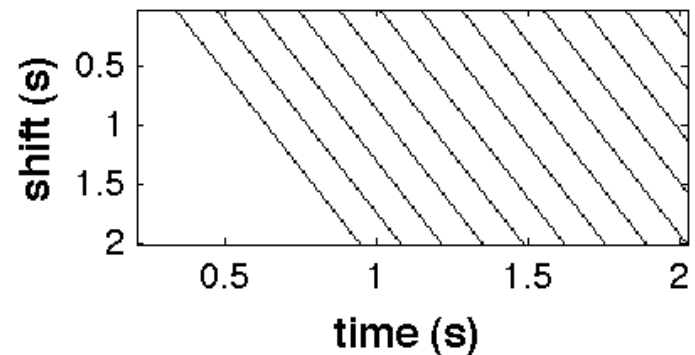
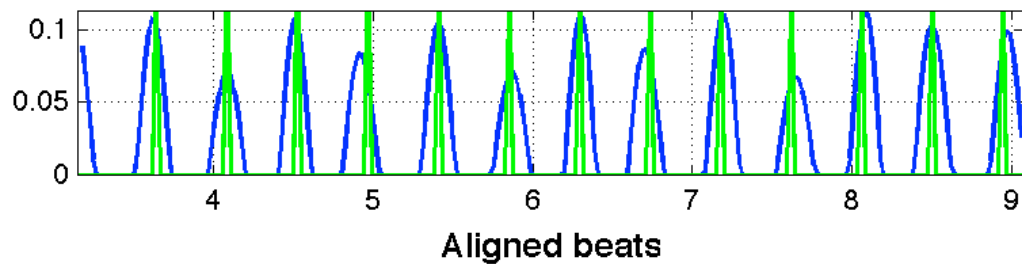
- Choose filter that maximizes the dot product



# Tempo estimation and tracking (Davies, 05)



- Phase: dot multiply DF with shifted versions of selected comb filter



# Tempo estimation and tracking (Grosche, 09)

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- DFT of novelty function  $\gamma(n)$  for frequencies:  $\omega \in [30 : 600]/(60 \times \text{fs}_\gamma)$
- Choose frequency that maximizes the magnitude spectrum at each frame
- Construct a sinusoidal kernel:  $\kappa(m) = w(m - n)\cos(2\pi(\hat{\omega}m - \hat{\varphi}))$
- In Grosche, 09 phase is computed as:

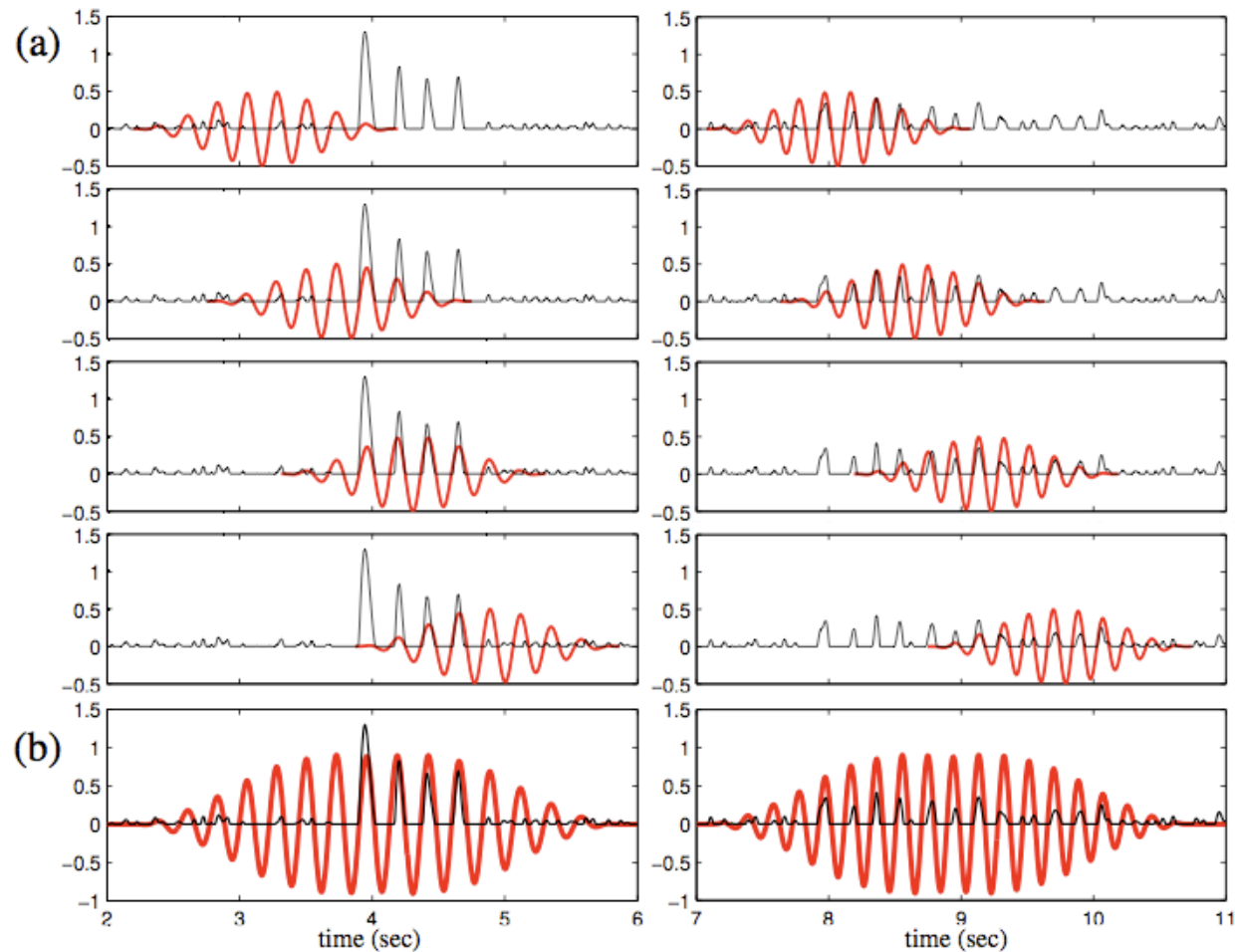
$$\hat{\varphi} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \arccos \left( \frac{\text{Re}(F(\hat{\omega}, n))}{|F(\hat{\omega}, n)|} \right)$$

- Alternatively, we can find the phase that maximizes the dot product of  $\gamma(n)$  with shifted versions of the kernel, as before.



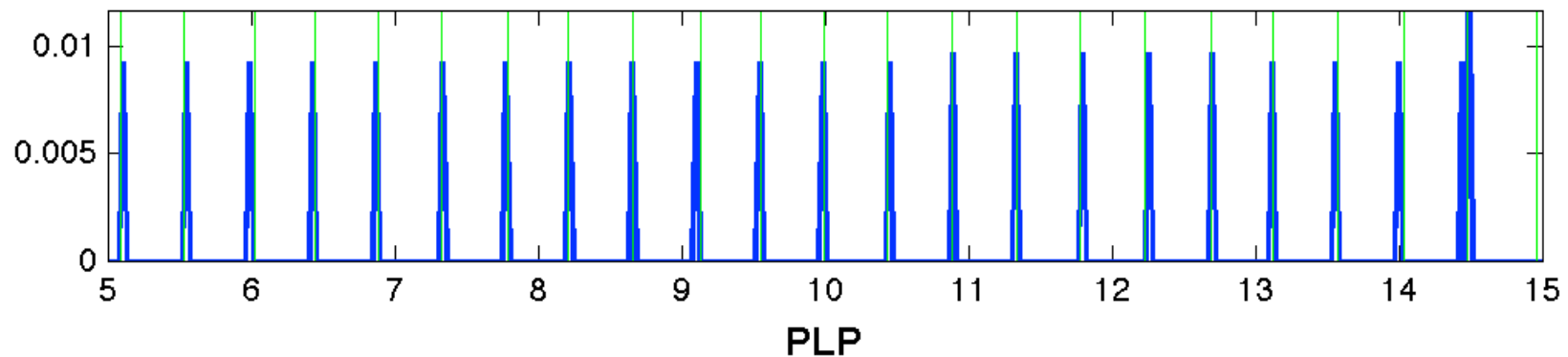
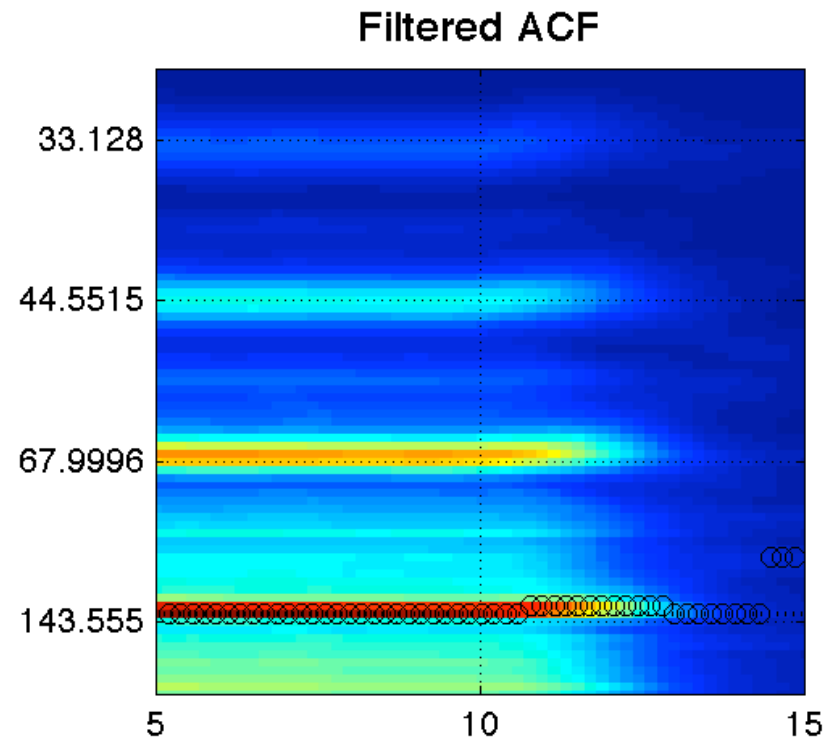
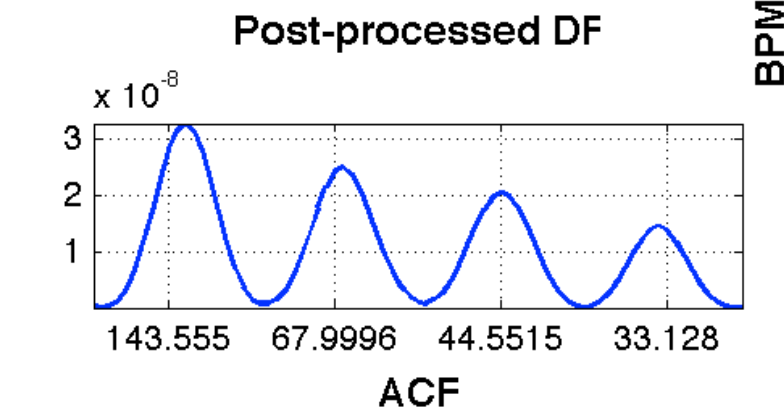
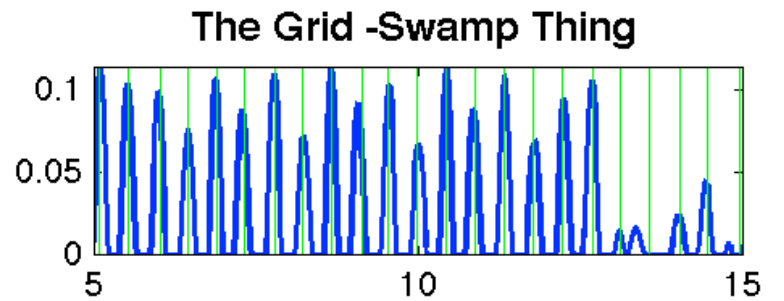
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- tracking function: Overlap-add of optimal local kernels + half-wave rectify

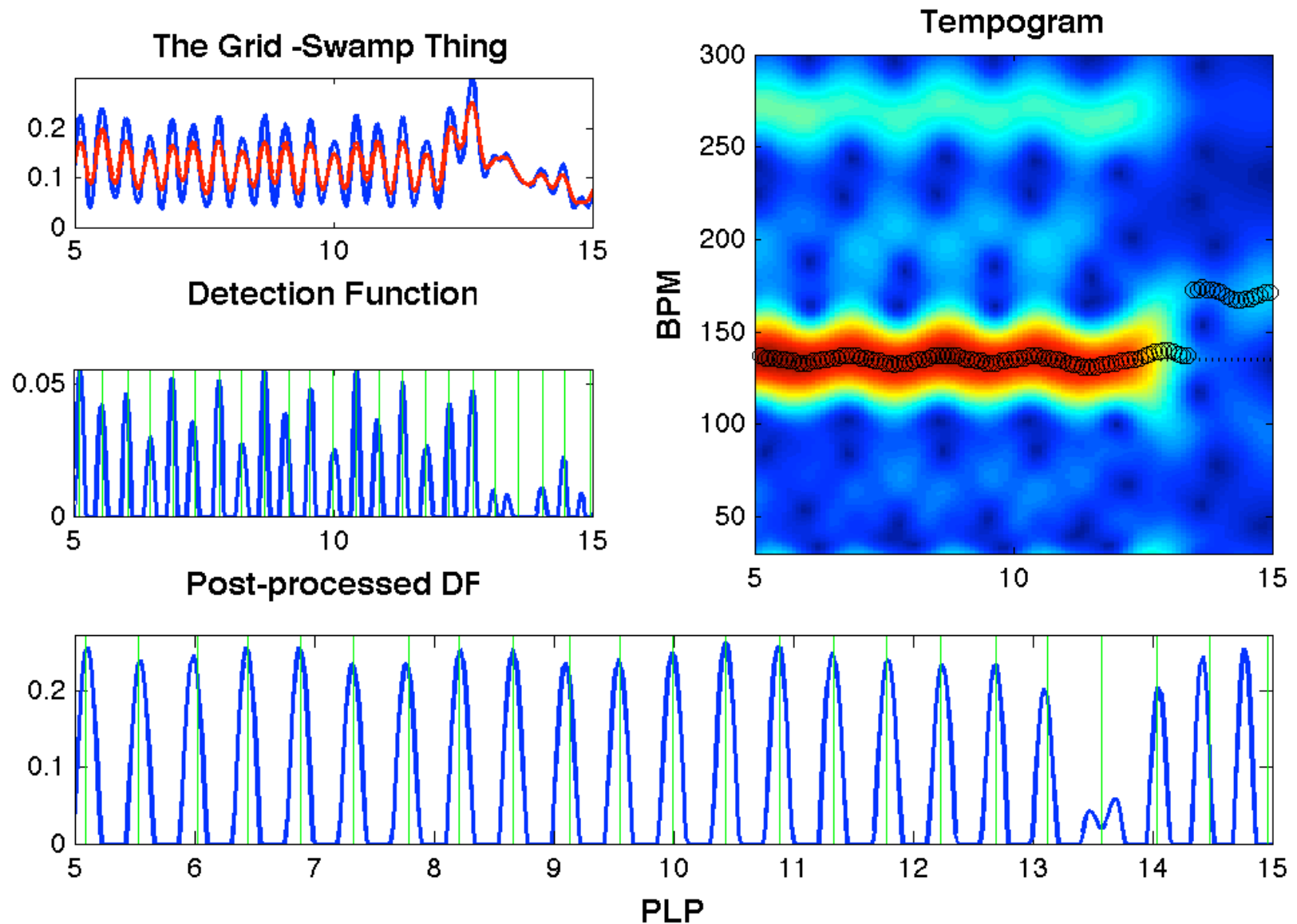


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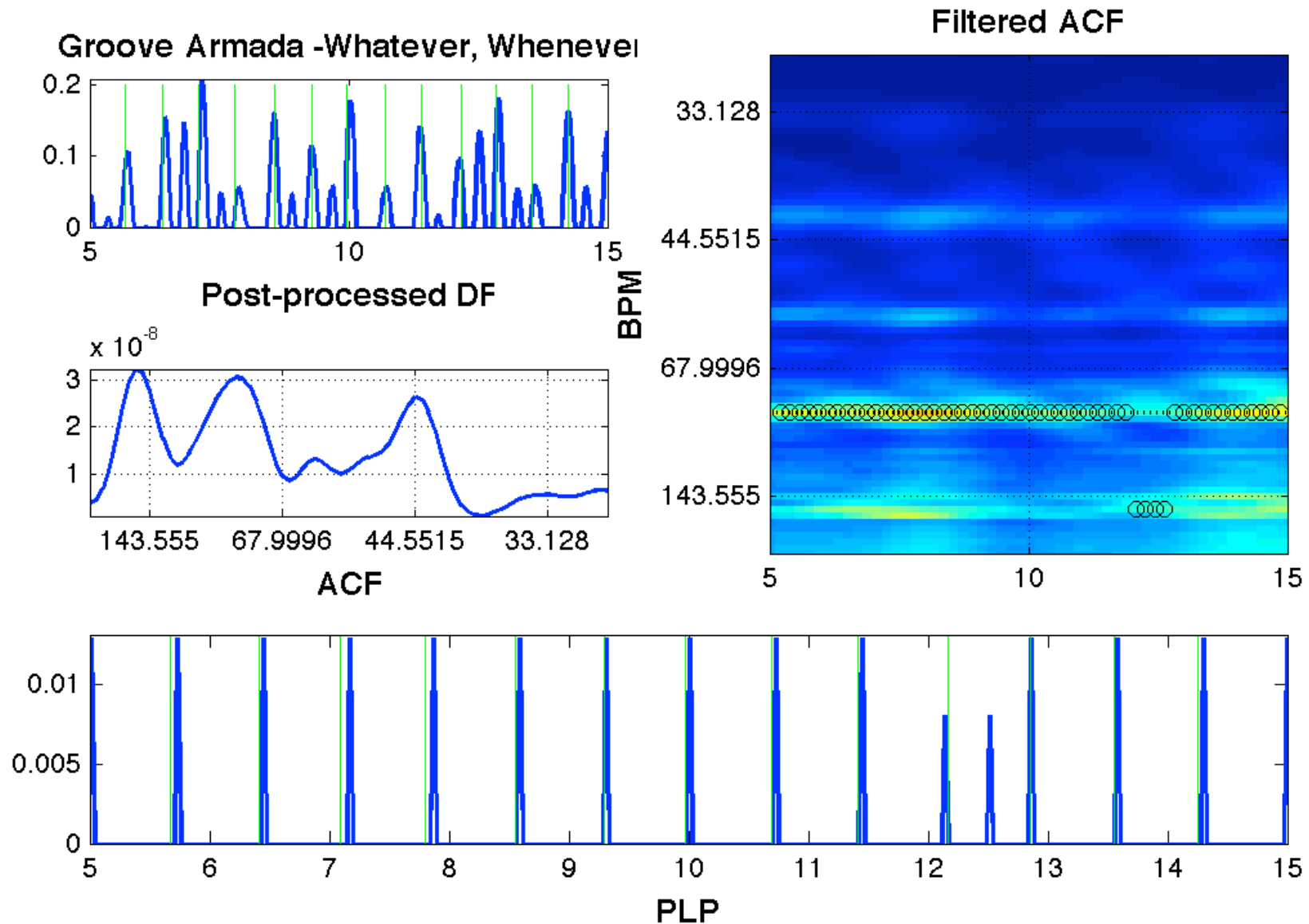
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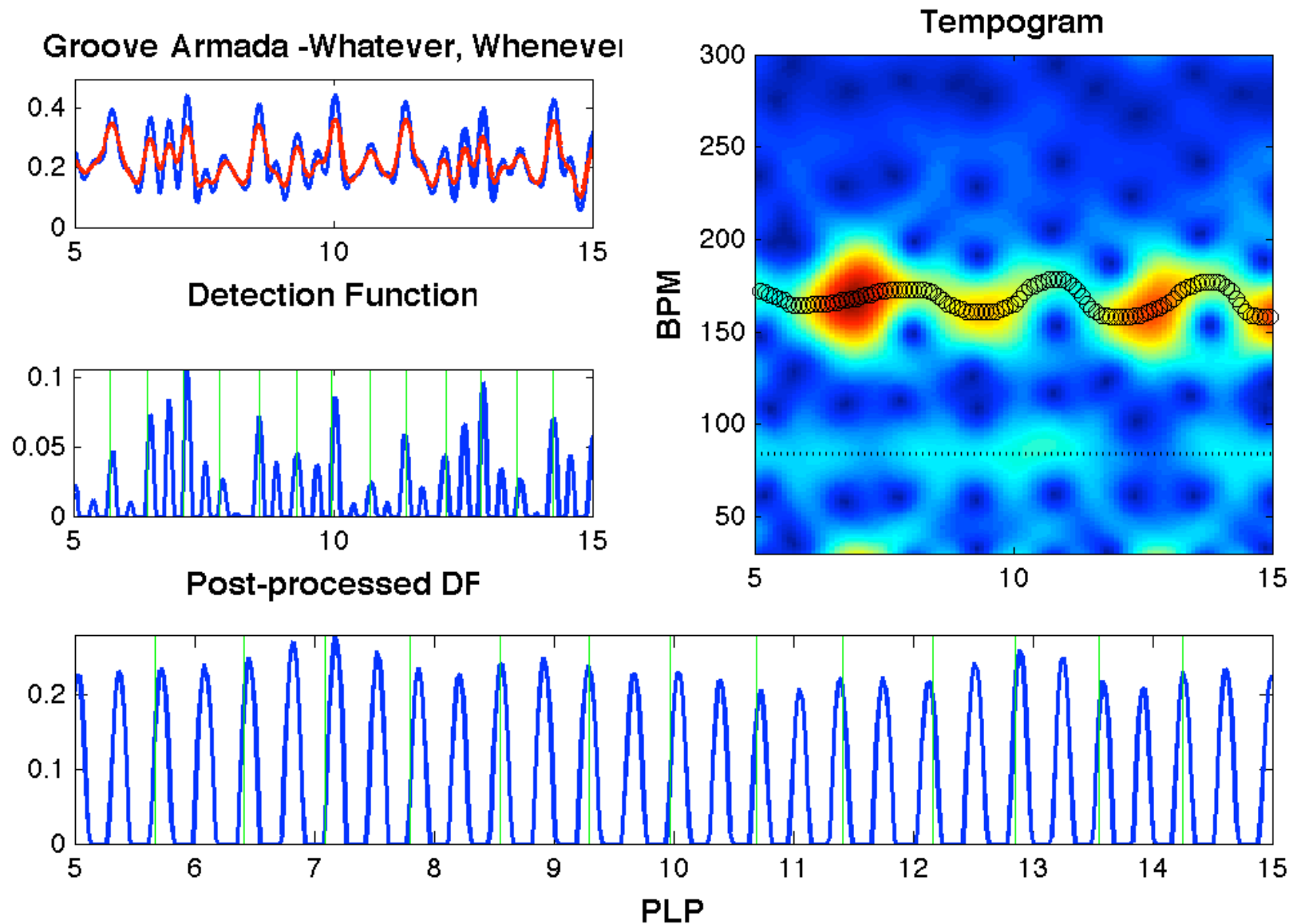
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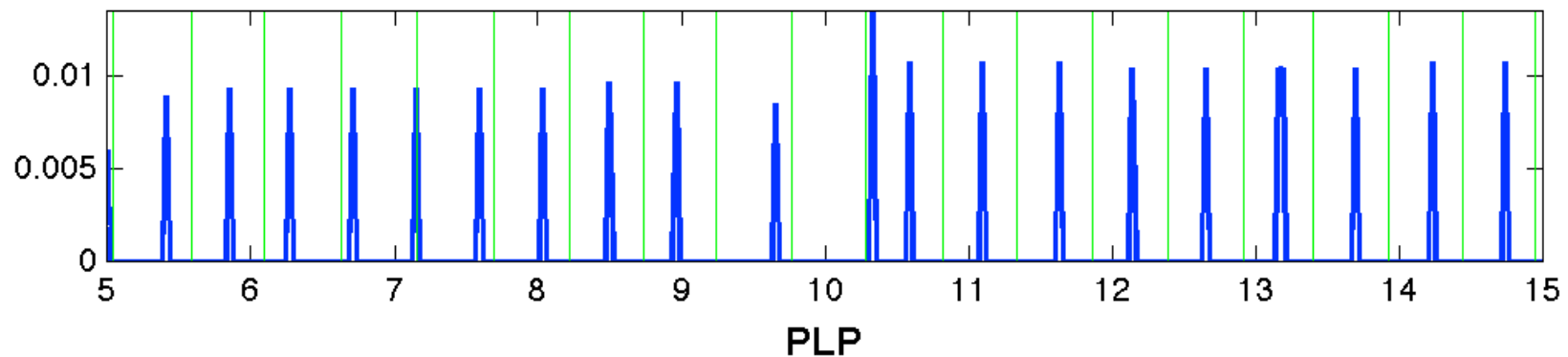
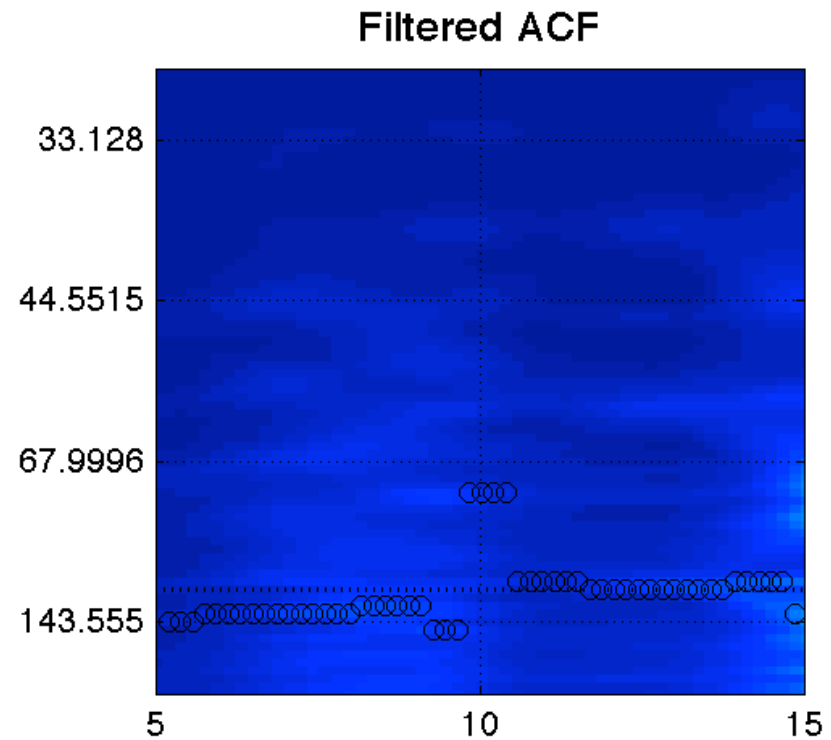
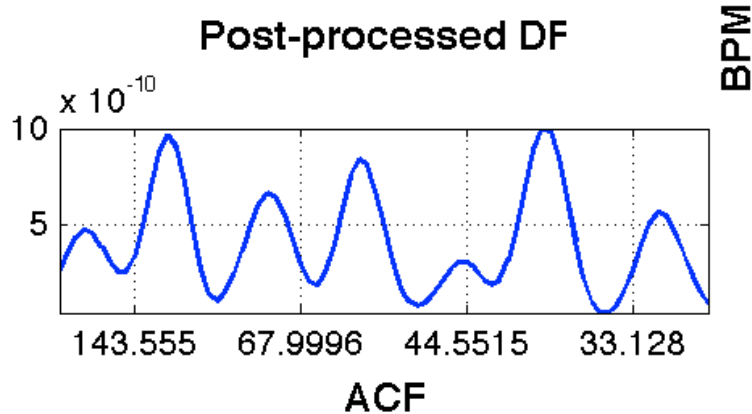
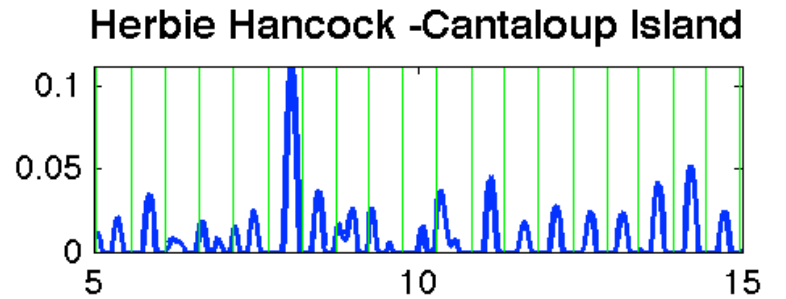
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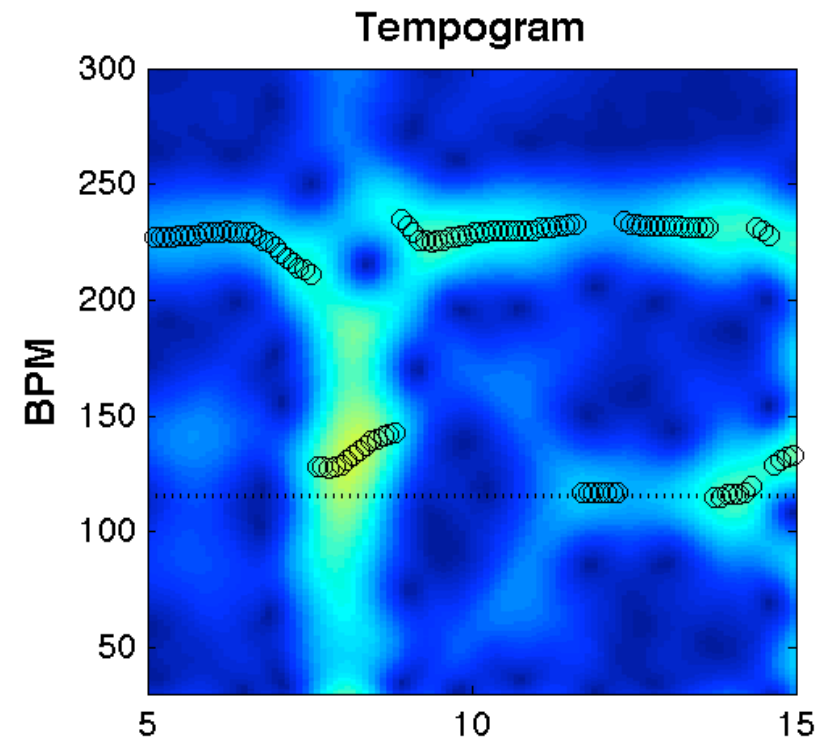
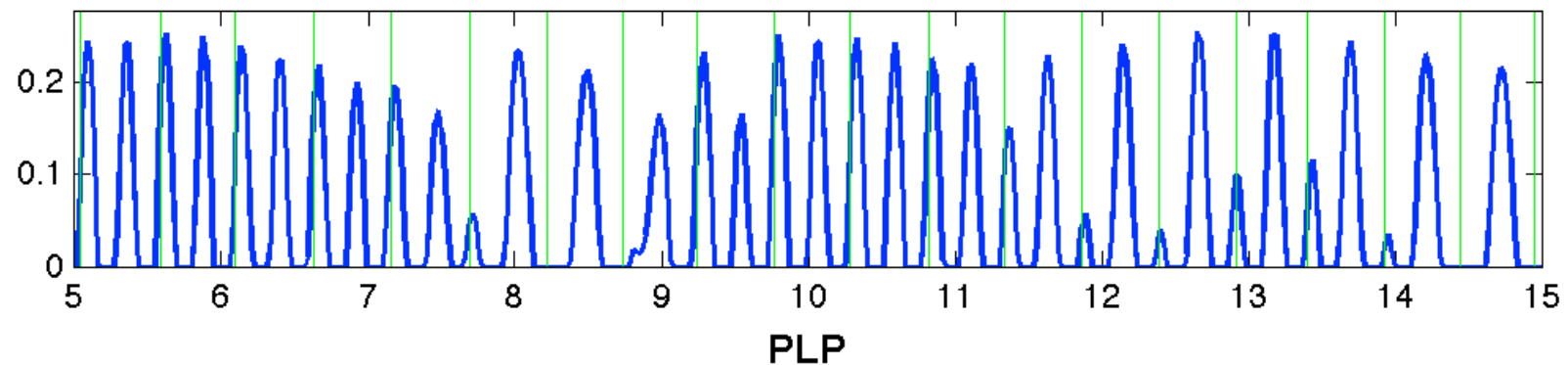
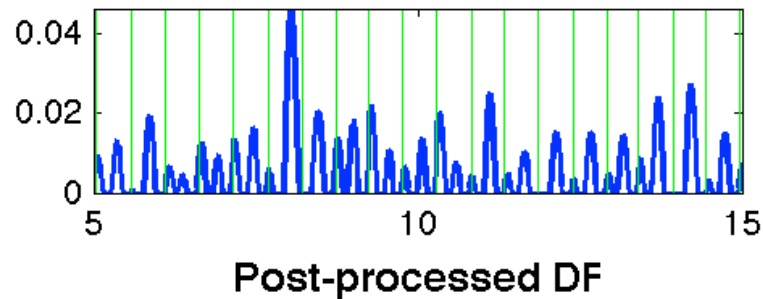
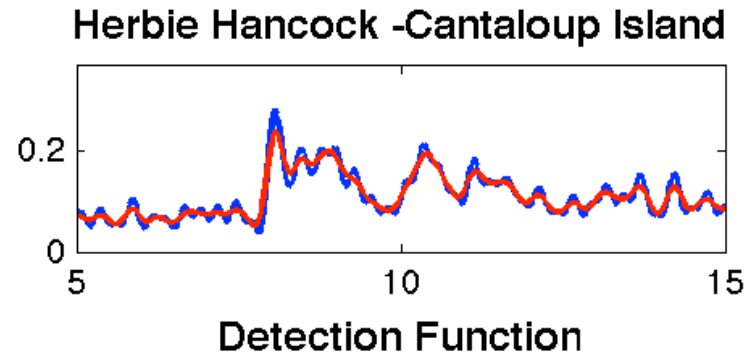
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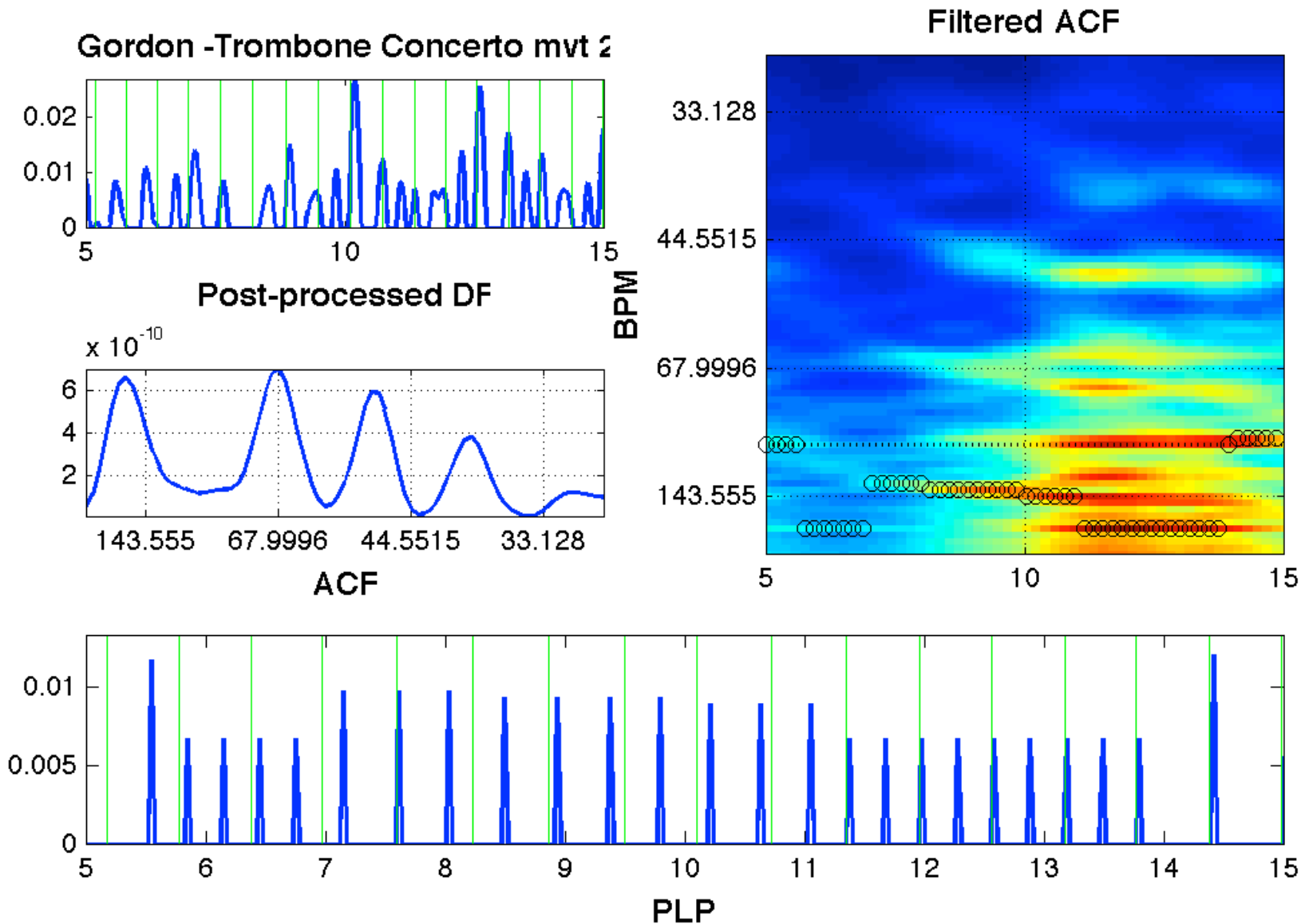
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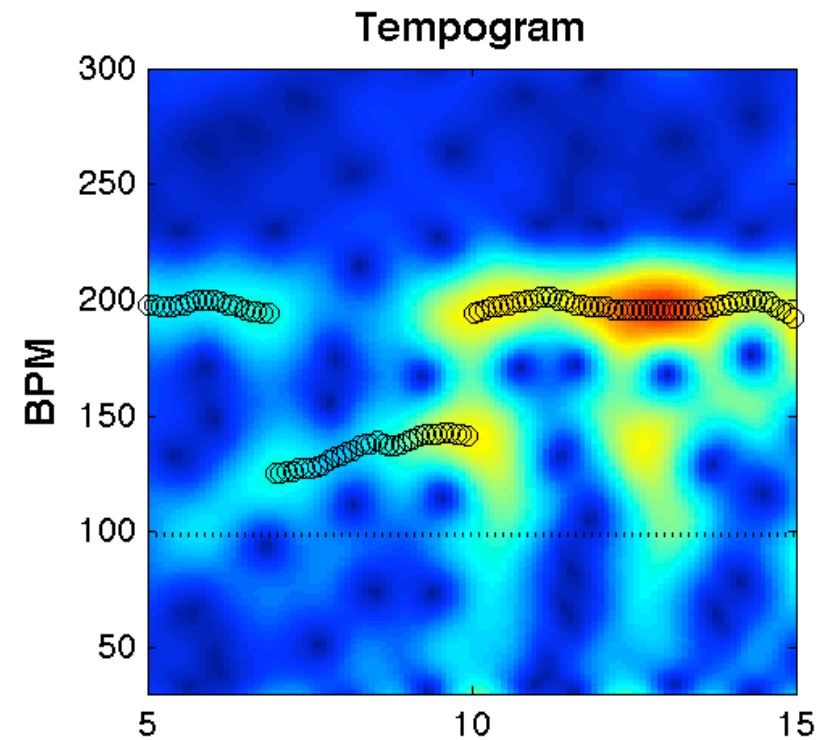
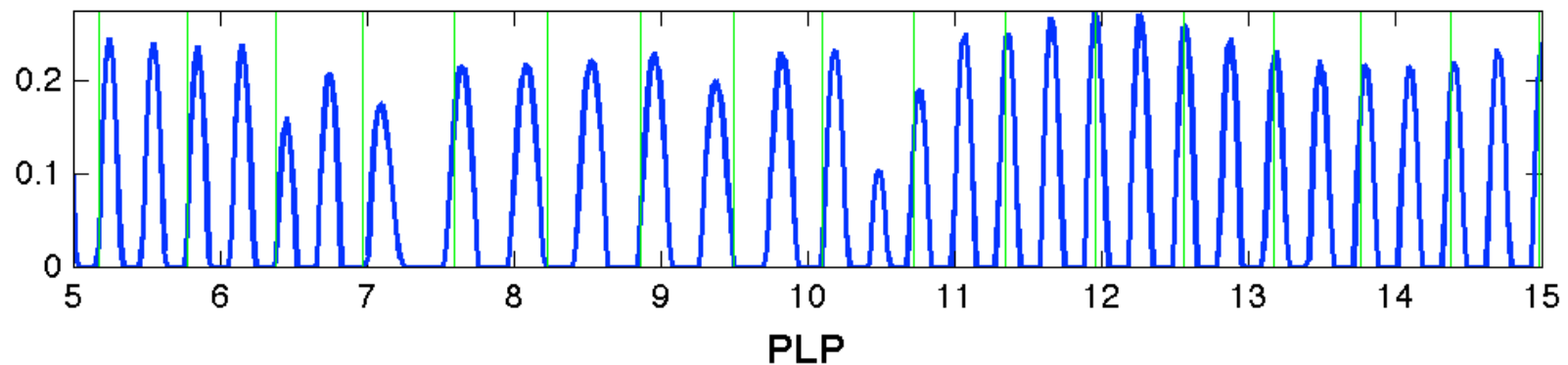
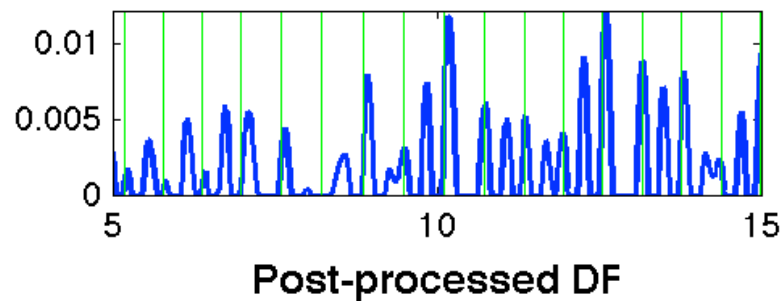
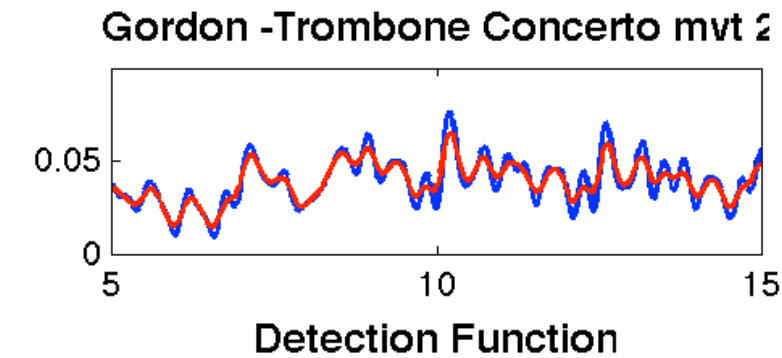


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