An Efficient Methodology for The Identification of Multiple Music Works within a Single Query

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Introduction

Increasingly larger media collections



- Increasingly bigger challenges, e.g.:
 - Metadata inconsistency
 - New querying methods
 - Interaction with the content

Case Study

- An efficient identification methodology for improved access to music heritage collections
 - Real application scenario
 - Scalability issues
 - Applicable to many other contexts
 - Public sound archives
 - Theater and concert halls sound archives (mainly rehearsals)

Metadata Inconsistency



Maurice Ravel

Trio para violin, violoncello y piano - op. 120

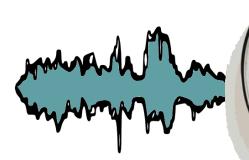
Madrid - D.L. 1980 - edita Columbia

A: Moderado, Pantoum, Passacaglia, Final

B: Allegro ma non troppo Andantino, Allegro vivo

P. Fontanarosa: violin, K. Fontanarosa: cello, F. Fontanarosa: piano

Catalogue metadata of the Fonoteca of the University of Alicante



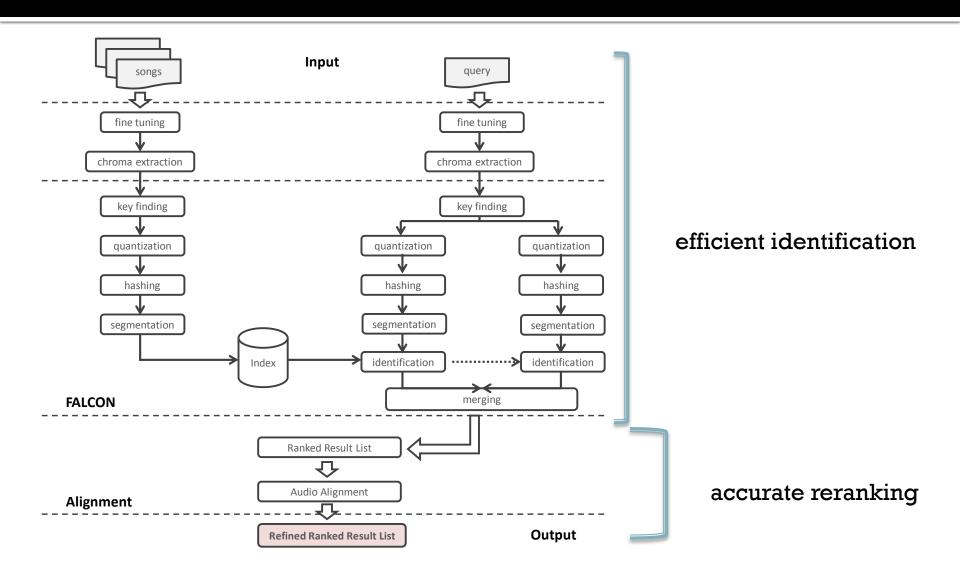
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9846_side_B.mp3 - duration 22'34"

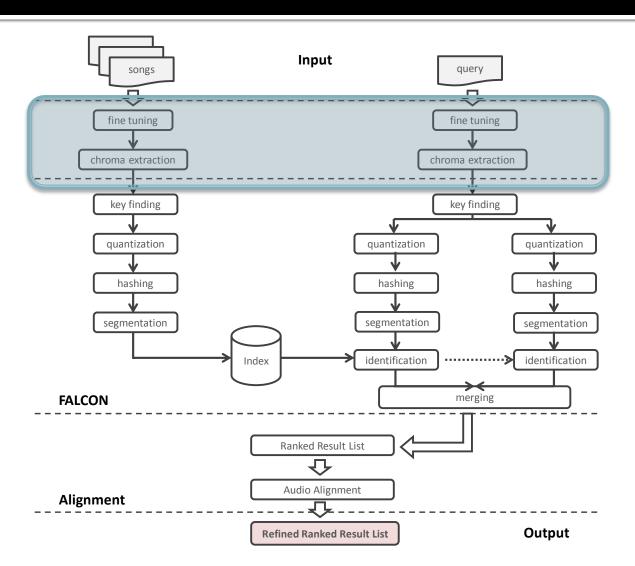
Overview

- Enrich and validate the descriptors of recordings digitized by a sound archive institution
 - Content-based identification
 - Allows a music digital library to automatically retrieve metadata about recordings
 - Automatic segmentation of digitized material
 - Allows to direct access to individual tracks

System Overview



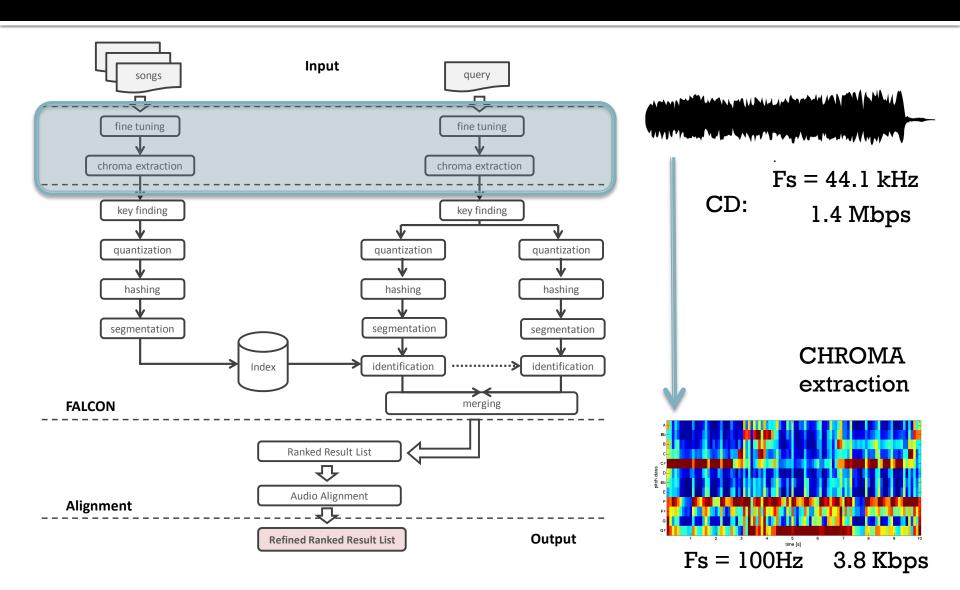
Feature Extraction



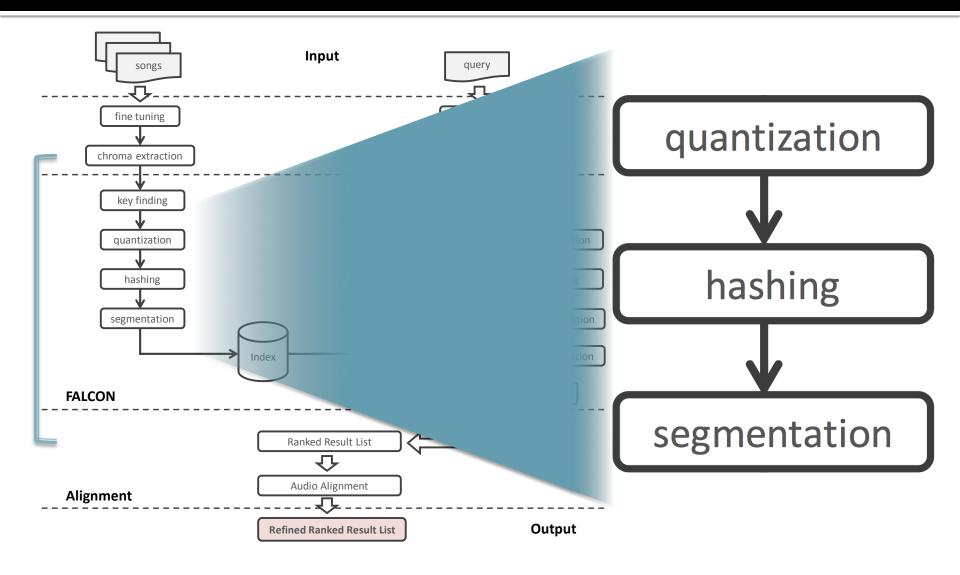


Fs = 44.1 kHzCD: 1.4 MBps

Feature Extraction

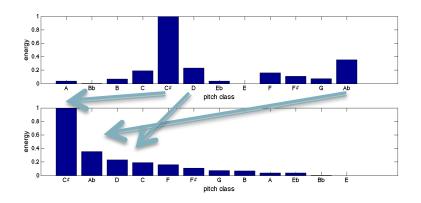


Representation



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- hashing



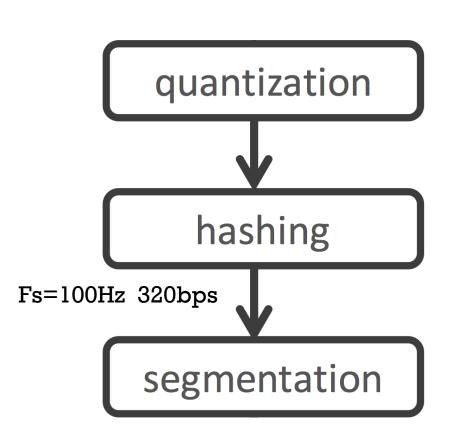
3-level quantization:

C# Ab D
$$4 \cdot 12^2 + 11 \cdot 12^1 + 5 \cdot 12^0 = 713$$

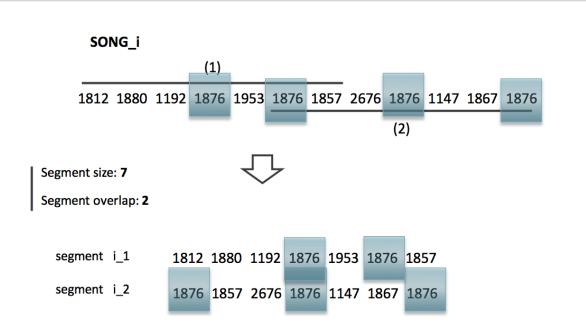
Segment size: **7**Segment overlap: **2**

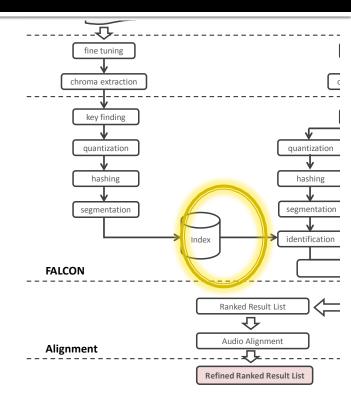


segment i_1 1812 1880 1192 1876 1953 1876 1857 segment i_2 1876 1857 2676 1876 1147 1867 1876



Indexing

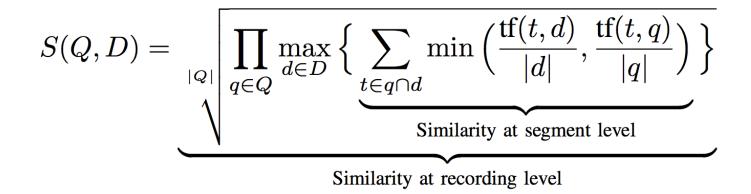




1147 [i₂, 1]

1876 [i₁, 2] [i₂, 3]

Retrieval



- Based on counting
- Discard information about ordering
- Can be computed efficiently using an index

Collection – 7k dataset

- Around 7k recordings of classical music, manually selected from the database of a TV broadcasting company
 - A 20 year effort made by music experts, yet
 - A lot of metadata inconsistencies
 - Unnecessary (and expensive) replication of the material
 - Around 0.4% of the records are duplicates

Identification - 7k dataset

Investigated parameterizations:

quantization levels

[2,3,4]

segment length (sec)

[20,30,40,50,60]

segment overlap

[0,50%]

chroma extraction algorithm

[3 variants]

tuning freq. adjustment

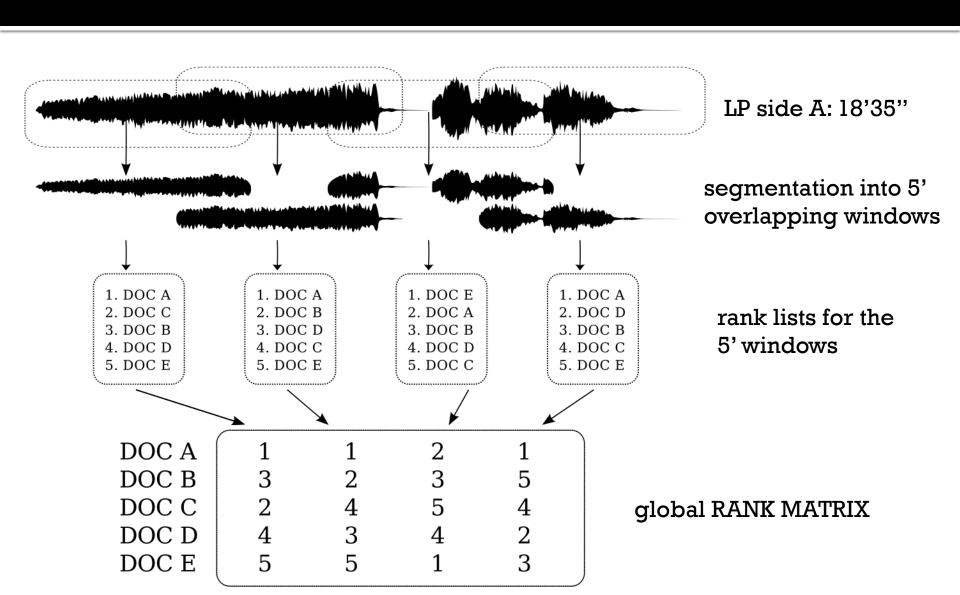
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- Best configuration so far:
 - Long segments, no overlap, in-house chroma

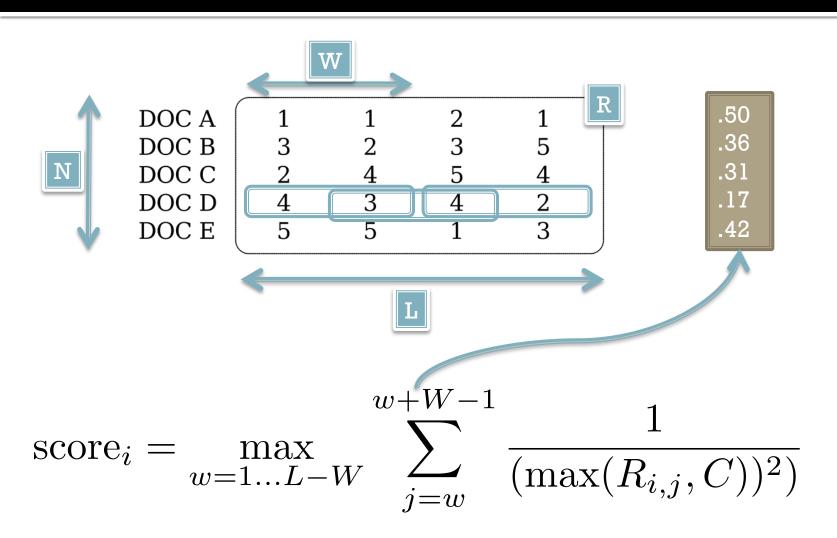
Identification – 7k dataset

- Collection characteristics
 - 6680 tracks
 - 2671 works have at least two tracks
 - 945 cover sets
- Results
 - Mean Reciprocal Rank: 0.83
 - Mean Average Precision: 0.77
 - Av. query time: 2" (av. query length: 5'25")

Addressing compound queries



Addressing compound queries



Collection - LP dataset

- 100 digitized LPs selected from the Fonoteca of the University of Alicante
 - Previously a radio archive
 - The digitization effort took most of the available economic resources
 - Each LP contains at least (a different version of) a recording among the 7k set
 - The 7k set was used as the ground truth for the identification
 - Manual inspection of results was required anyway

Identification – LP dataset

- Collection characteristics
 - 100 audio files (A+B sides) to identify
 - 358 works overlap with 7k dataset

Results

- Mean Reciprocal Rank: 0.90
- Mean Average Precision: 0.74
- Av. query time: 46" (av. query length: 47'13")

Conclusion

- Increasing availability of multimedia data demands appropriate techniques for retrieval, access and interaction
- Identification is a fundamental tool for many applications
 - Efficient approaches can be developed
 - Application on a large scale
 - Real case scenarios can be faced