

Landmark Detection in Hindustani Music Melodies

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Indian Art Music

- Hindustani music (North Indian music)



- Carnatic music

Melodies in Hindustani Music

- Rāg: melodic framework of Indian art music

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Nyās translates to home/residence

*Nyās Svar (Rāg Bilaskhani todi)

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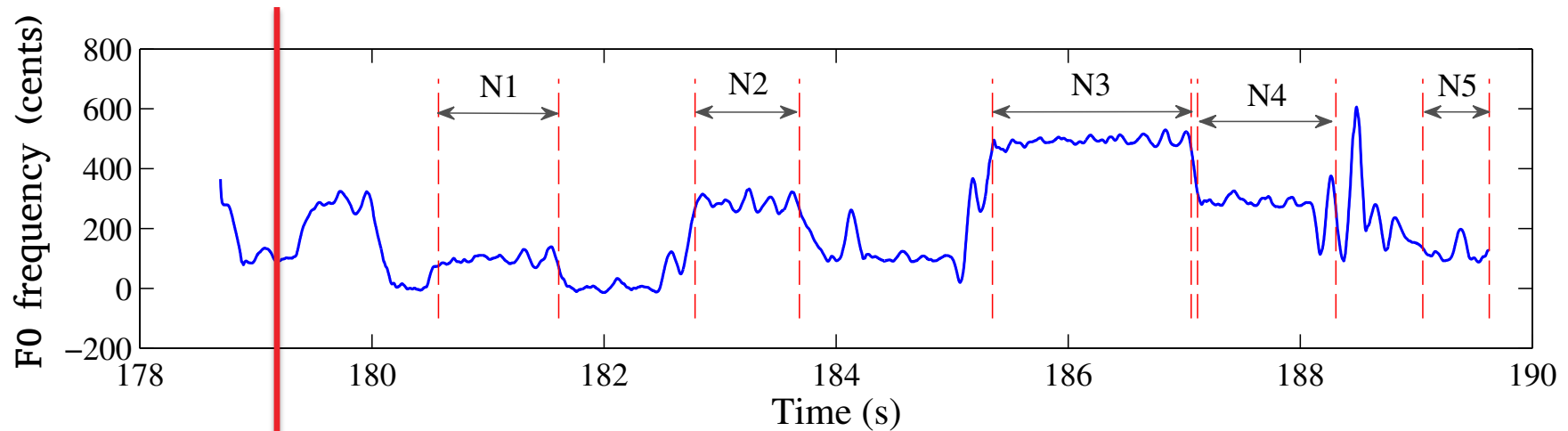


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Melodic Landmark: Nyās Occurrences

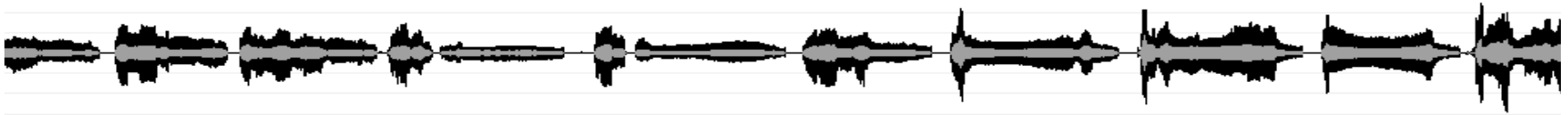
■ Example



A. K. Dey, *Nyāsa in rāga: the pleasant pause in Hindustani music*. Kanishka Publishers, Distributors, 2008.

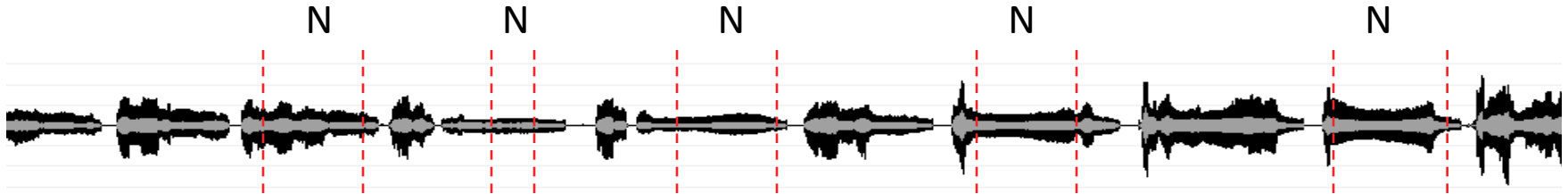
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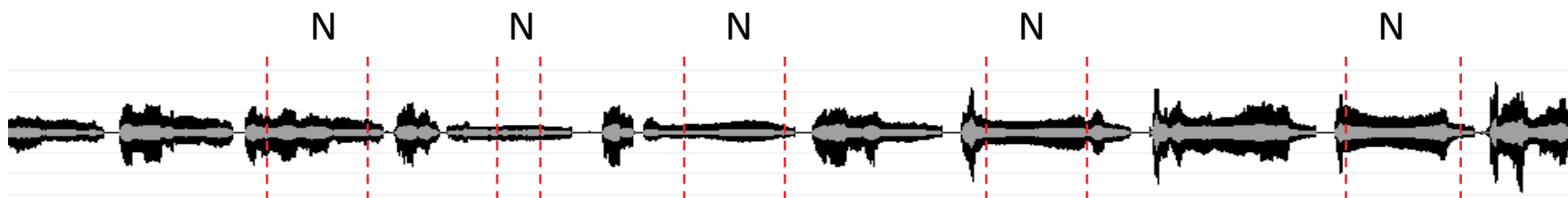
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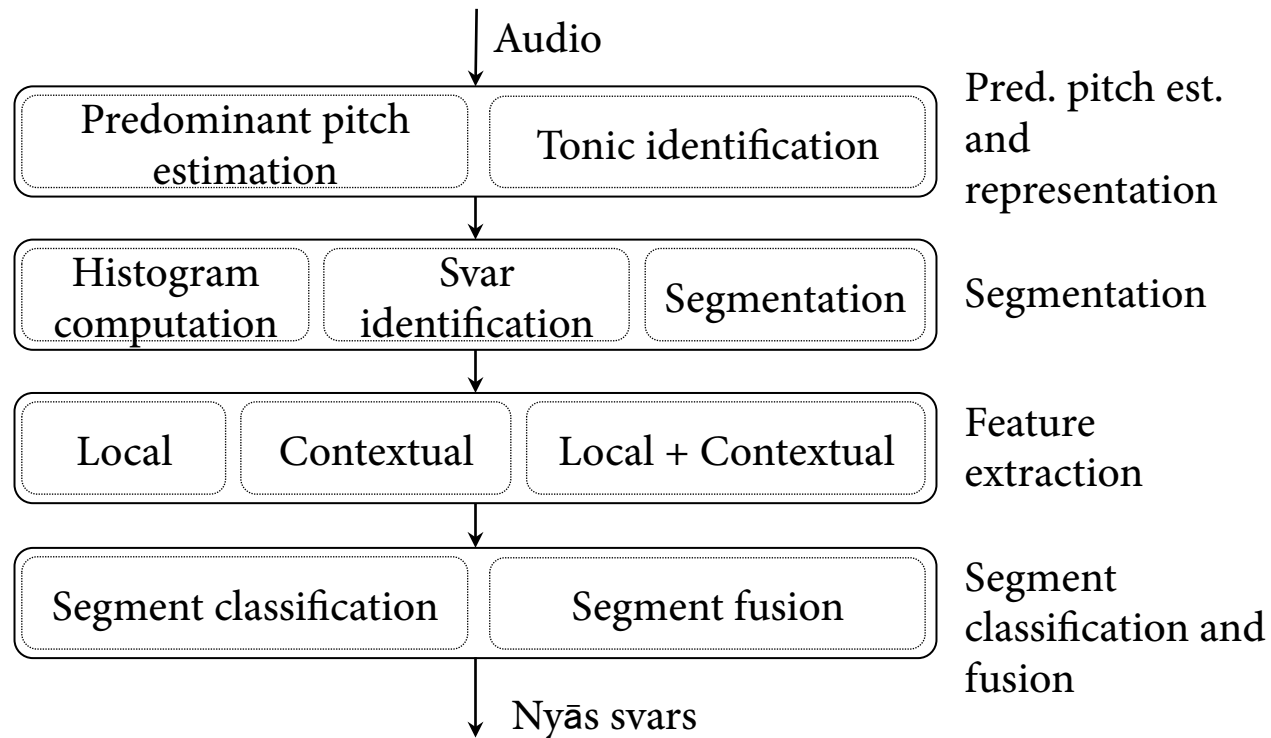
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- Motivation
 - Melodic motif discovery [Ross and Rao 2012]
 - Melodic segmentation
 - Music transcription

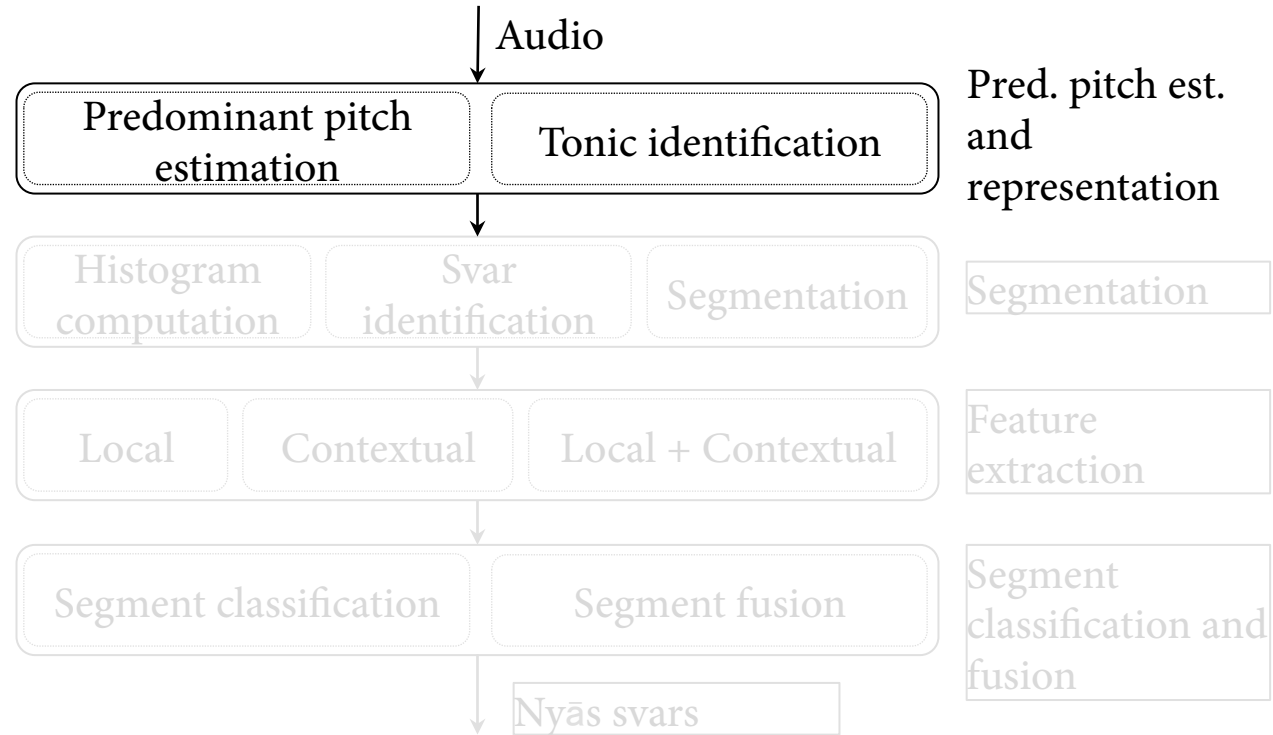
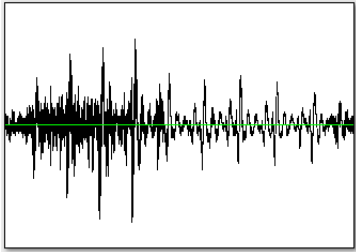
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Methodology: Block Diagram

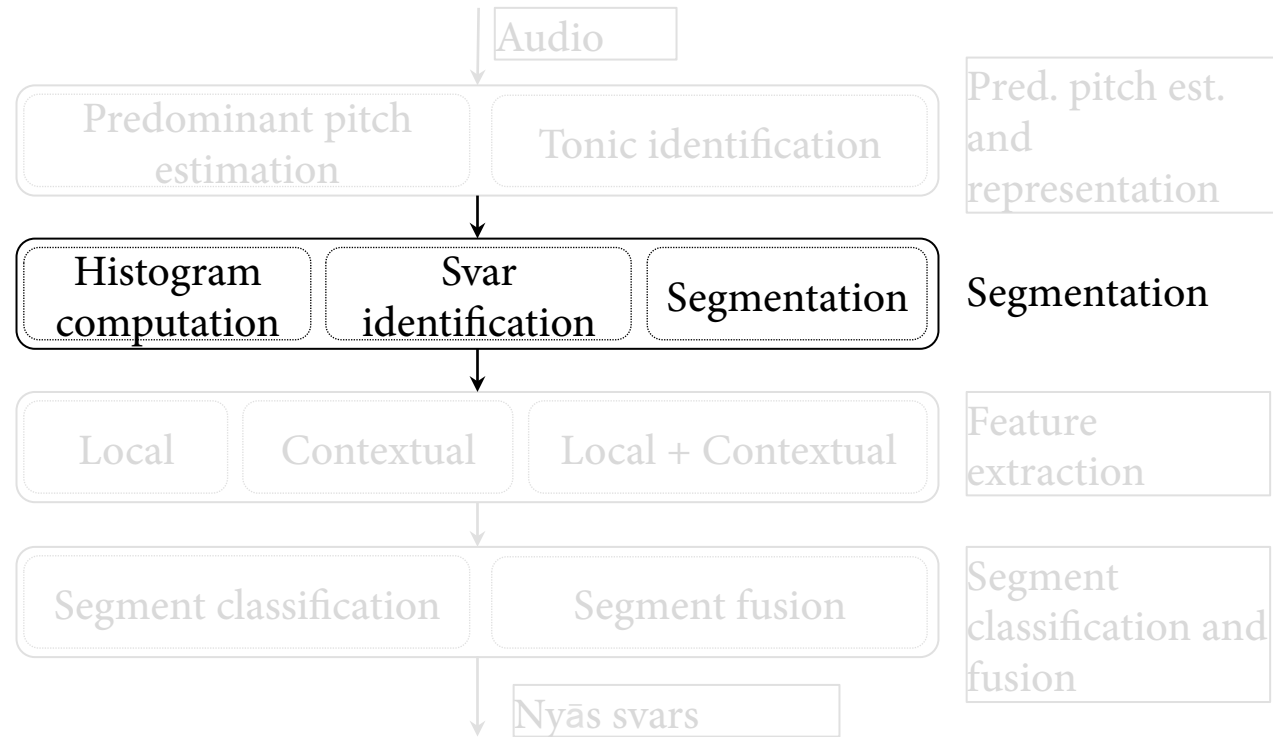
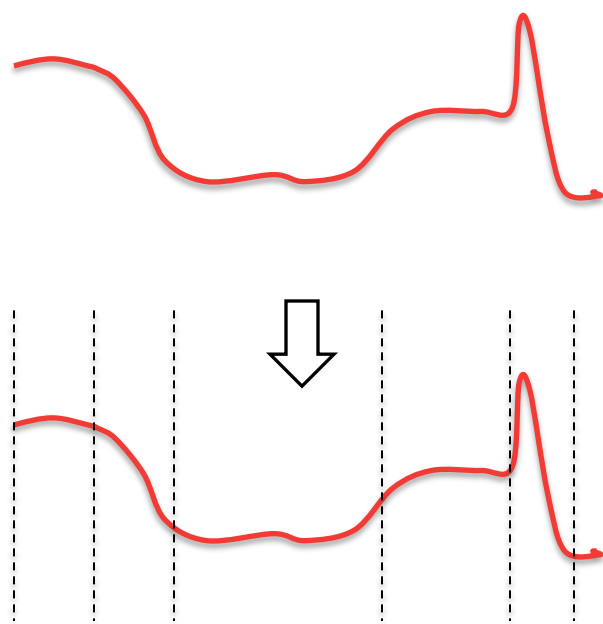


Block diagram of the proposed methodology

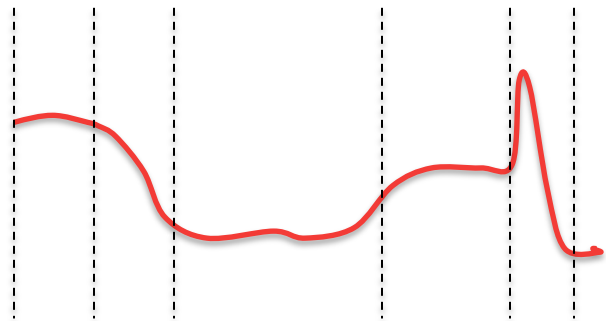
Methodology: Pred. Pitch Estimation



Methodology: Segmentation



Methodology: Feature Extraction



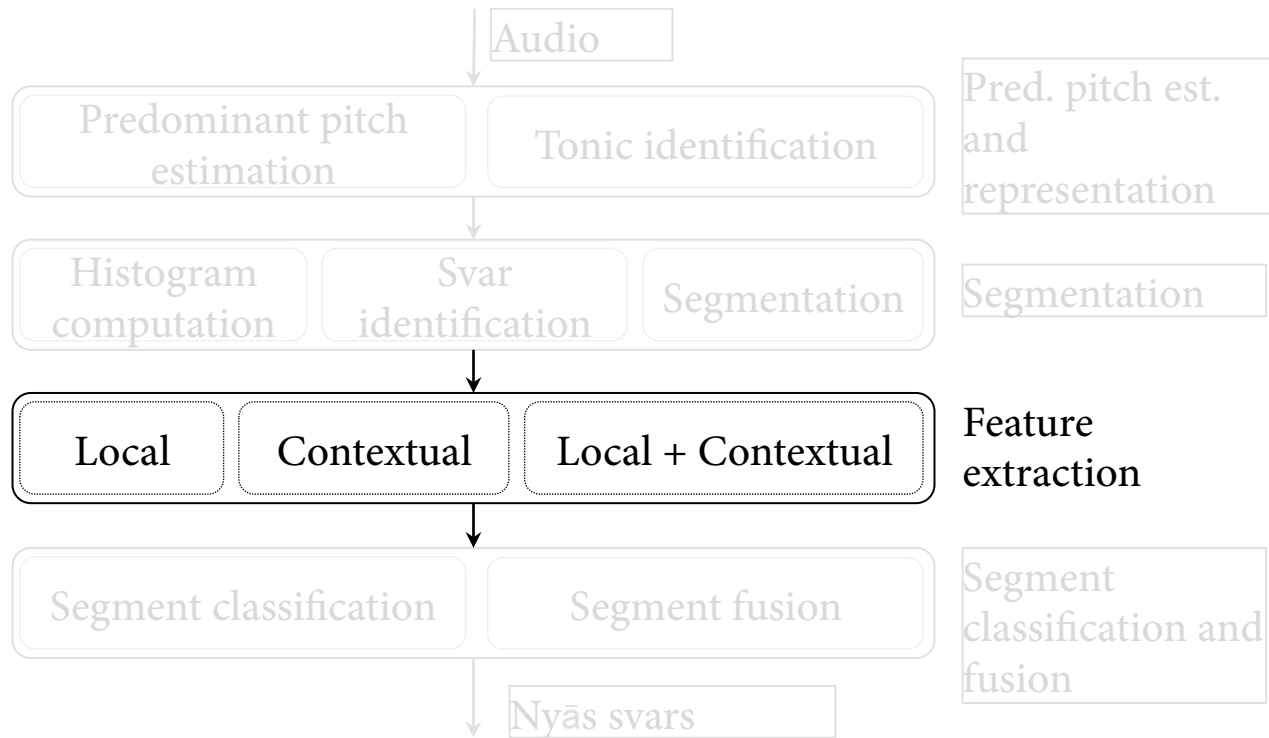
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Methodology: Segment Classification

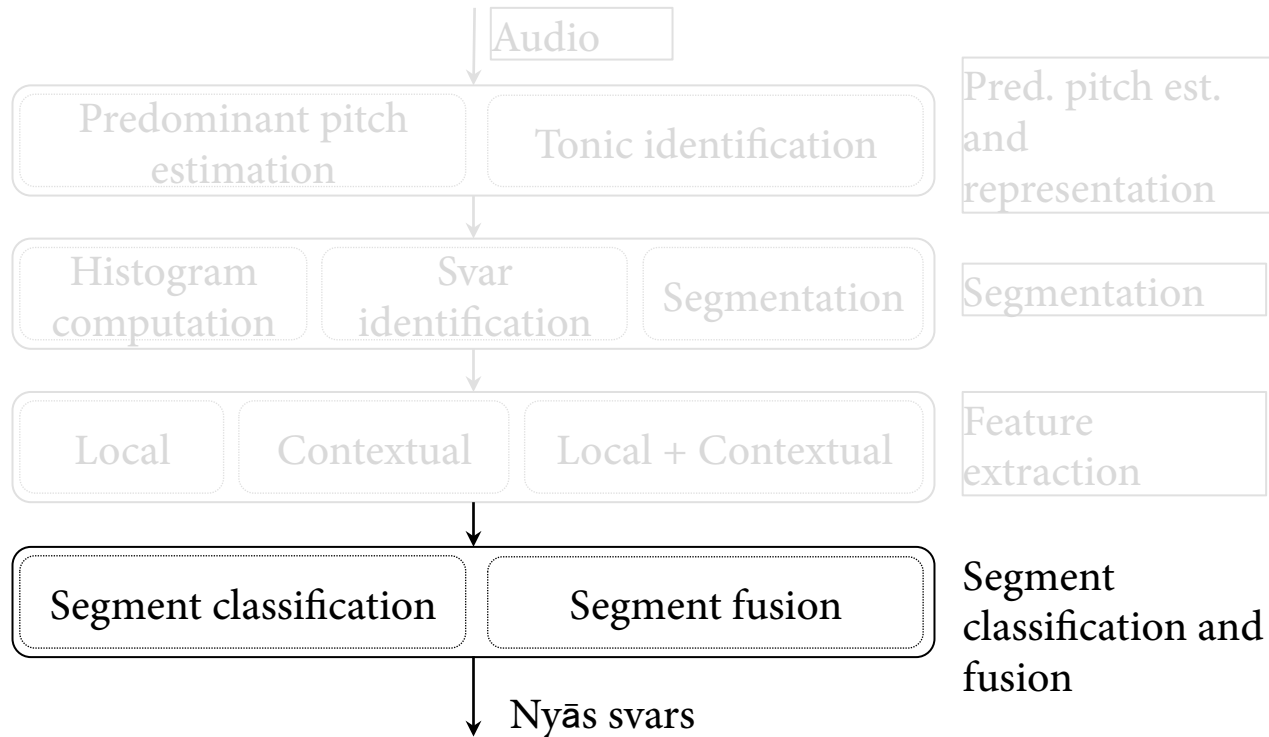
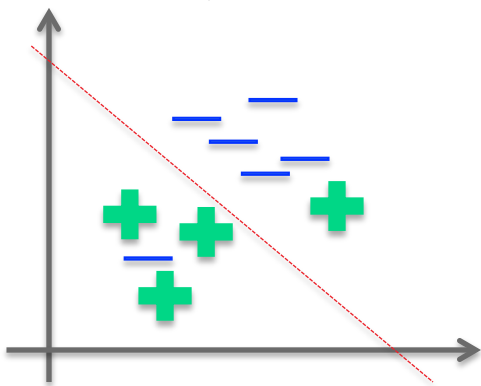
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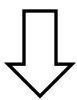
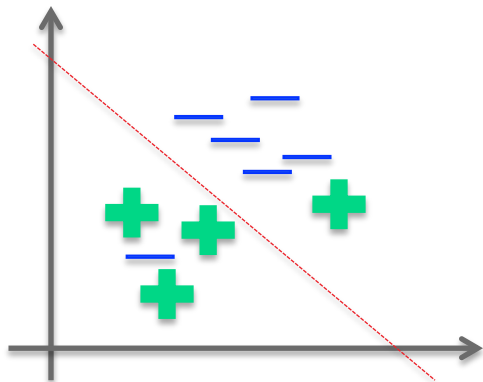
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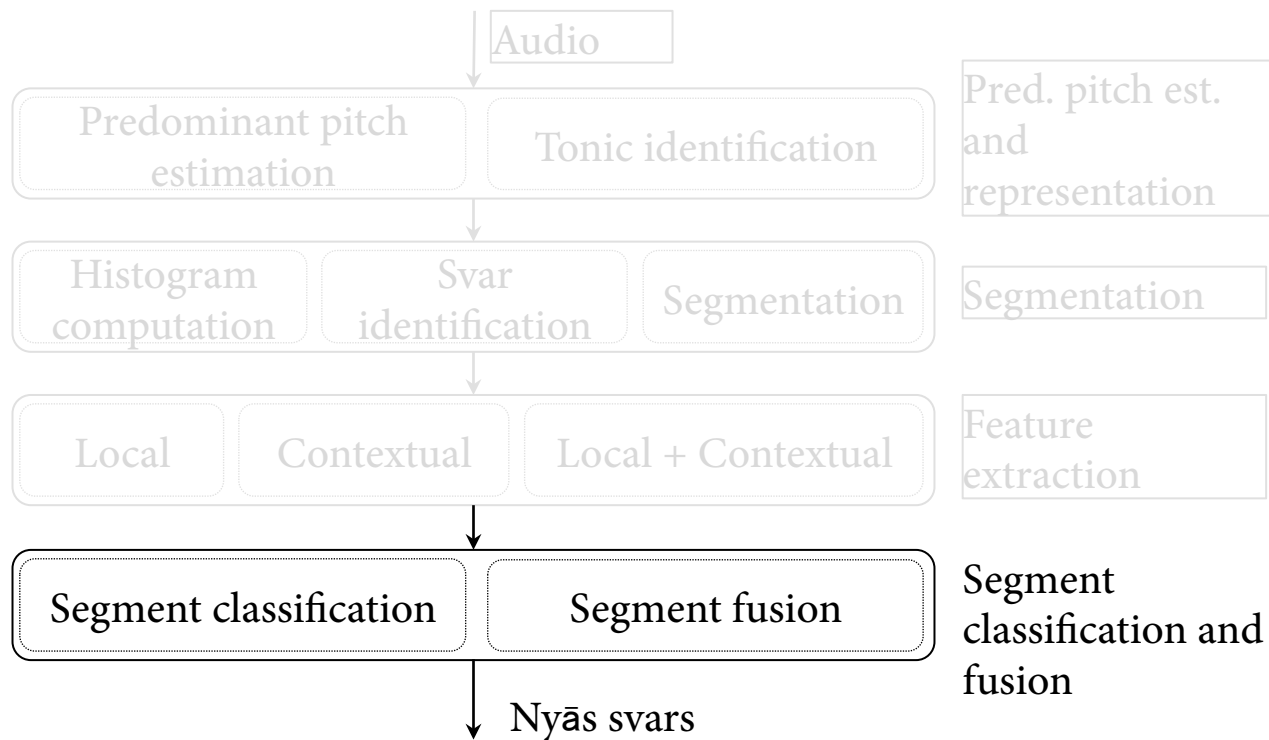
Nyās

Non nyās

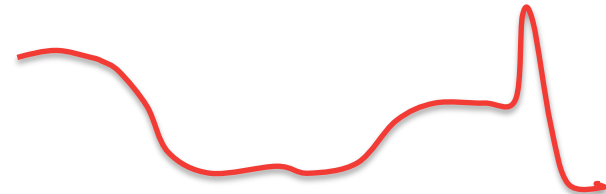
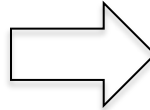
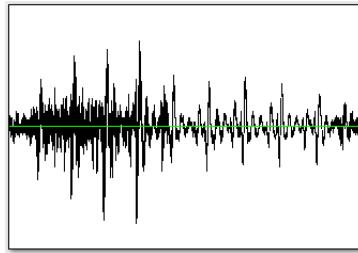
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Pred. Pitch Estimation and Representation

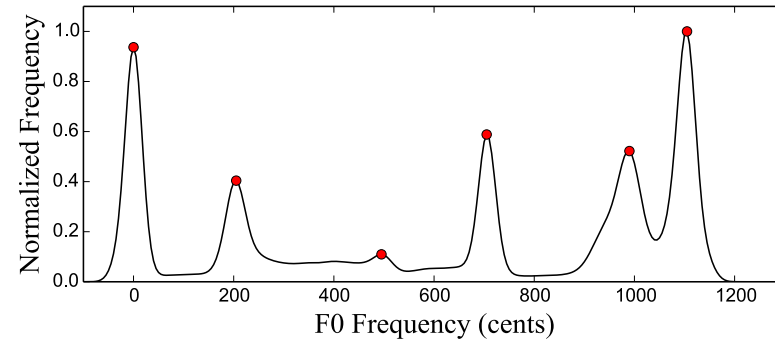
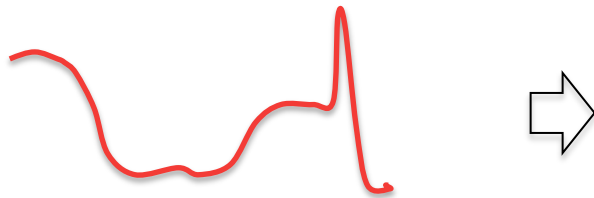


- Predominant pitch estimation
 - Method by Salamon and Gómez (2012)
 - Favorable results in MIREX'11
- Tonic Normalization
 - Pitch values converted from Hertz to Cents
 - Multi-pitch approach by Gulati et al. (2014)

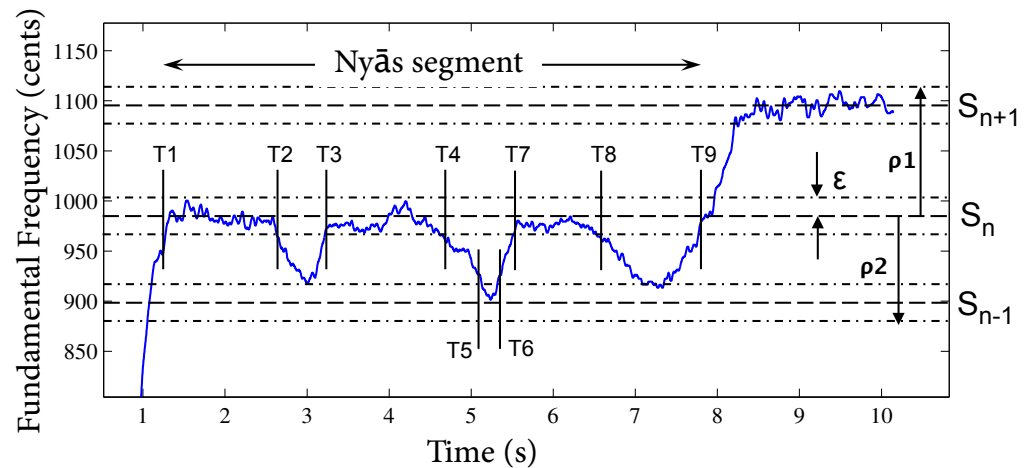
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Melody Segmentation

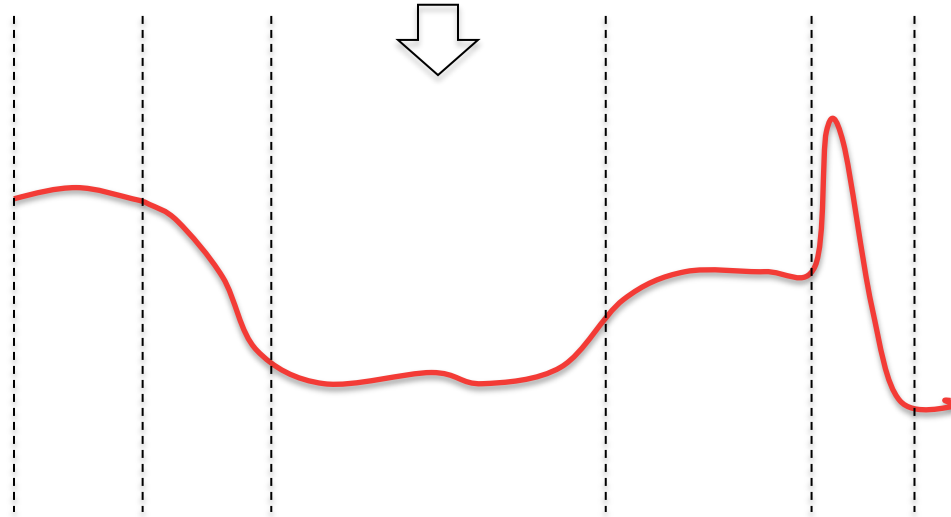


- Baseline: Piecewise linear segmentation (PLS)



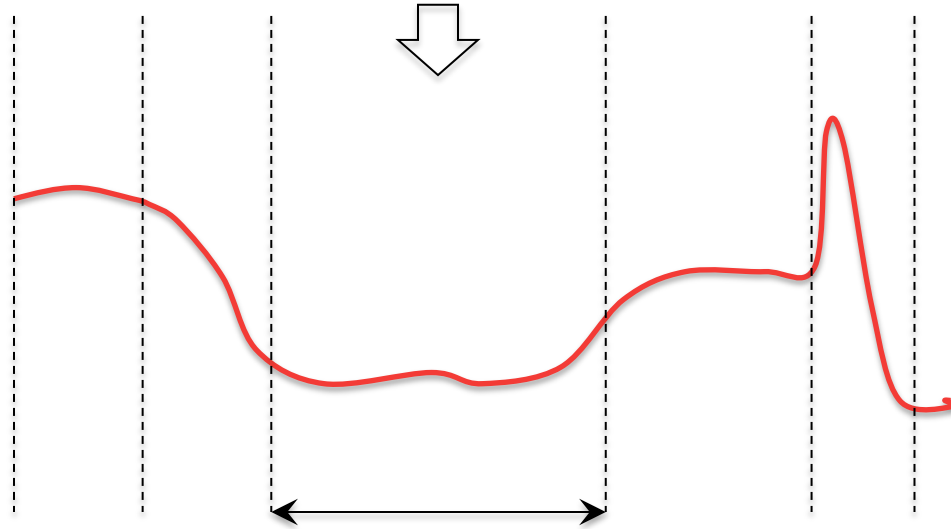
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Feature Extraction



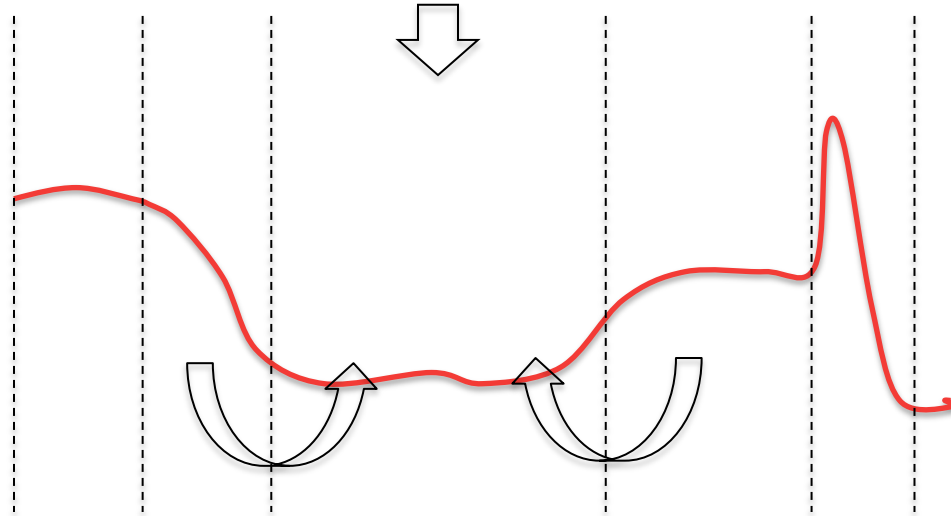
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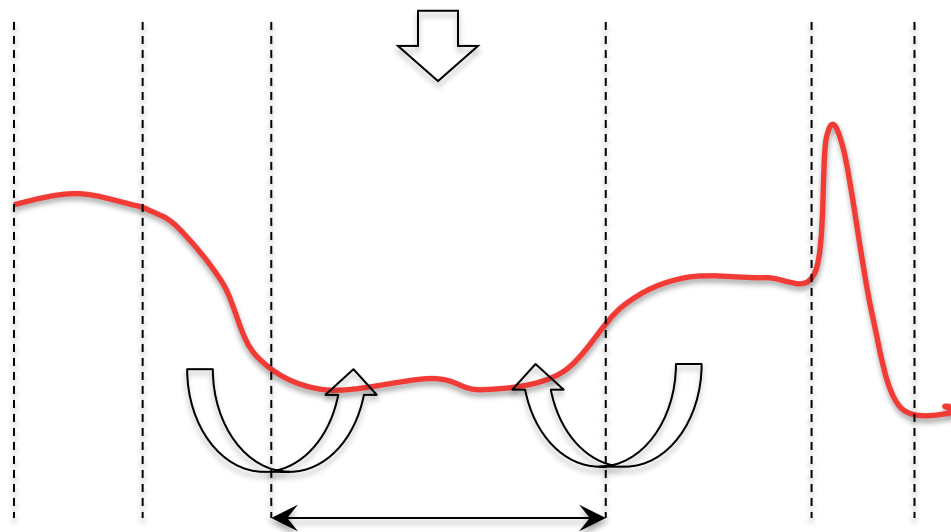
Feature Extraction

- Local (9 features)
- Contextual (24 features)



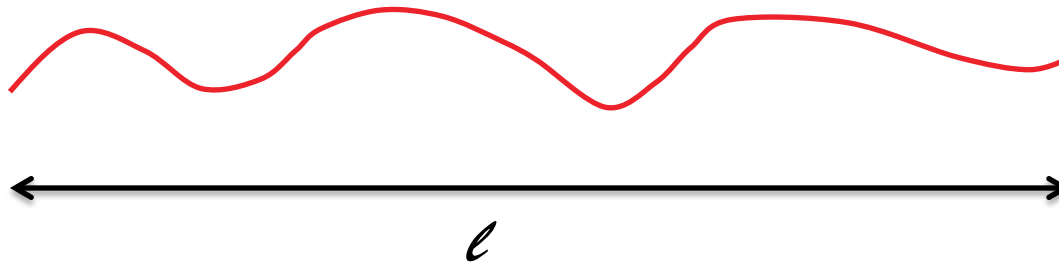
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- Contextual (24 features)
- Local + Contextual (33 features)



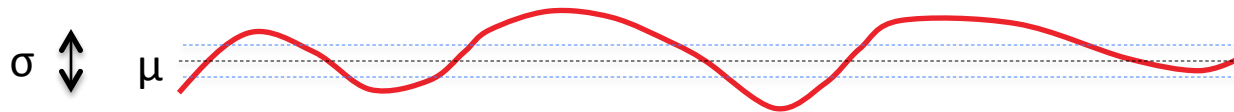
Feature Extraction: Local

- Segment Length



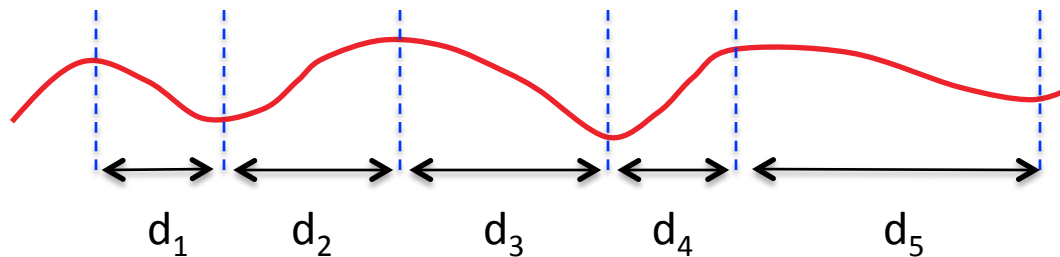
Feature Extraction: Local

- Segment Length
- μ and σ of pitch values



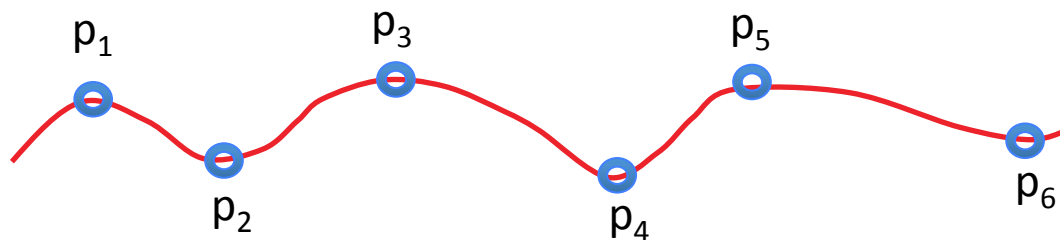
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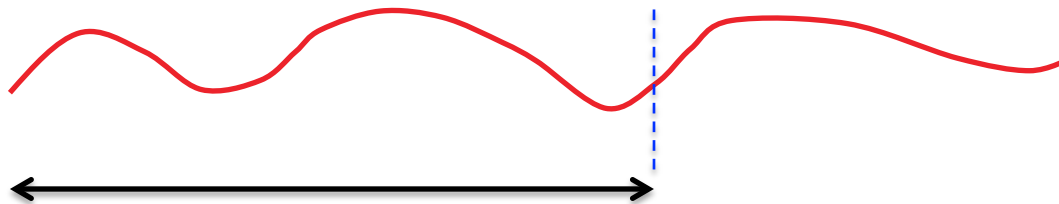
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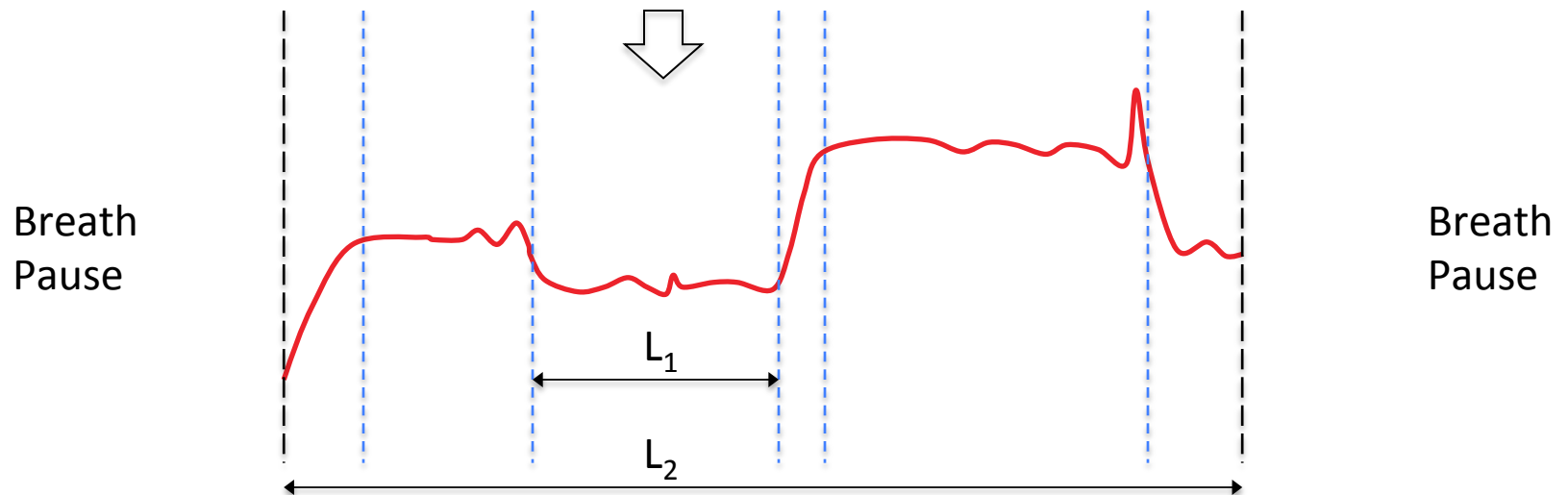
- Segment Length
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- μ and σ of difference in adjacent peaks and valley locations
- μ and σ of the peak and valley amplitudes
- Temporal centroid (length normalized)
- Binary flatness measure



Flat or non-flat

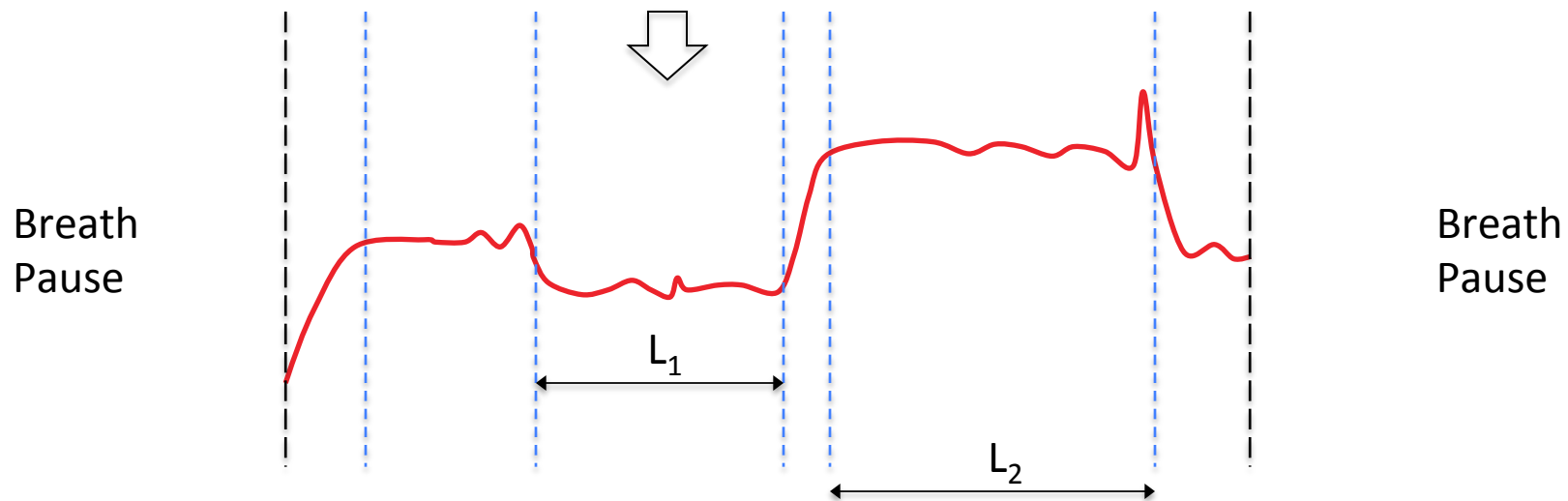
Feature Extraction: Contextual

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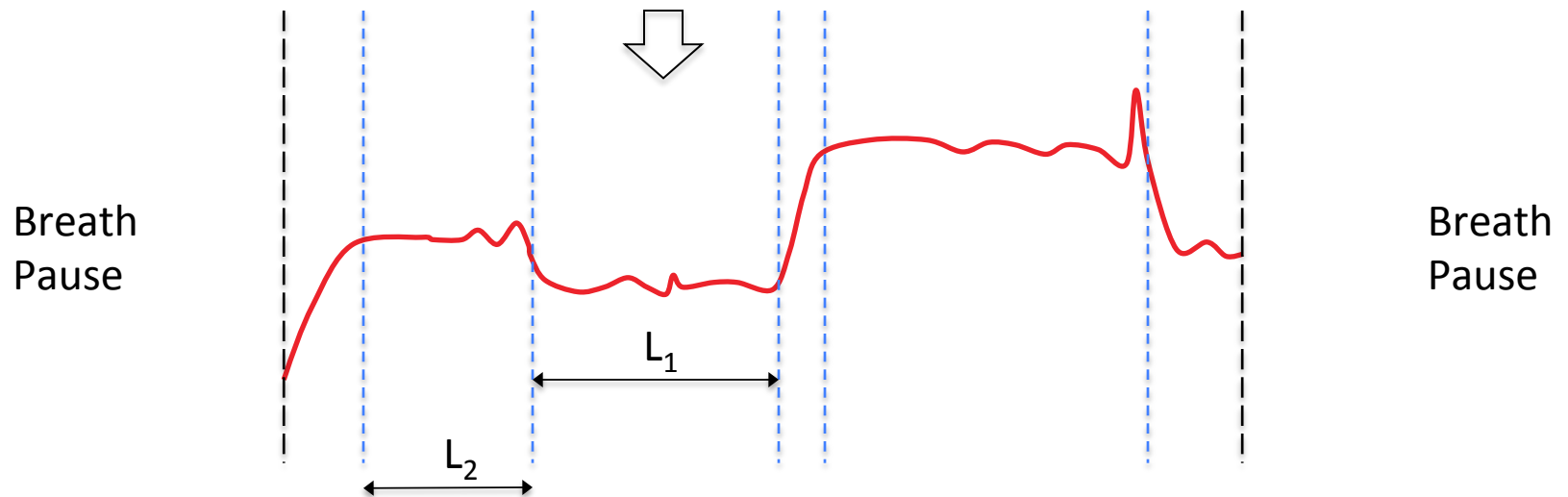
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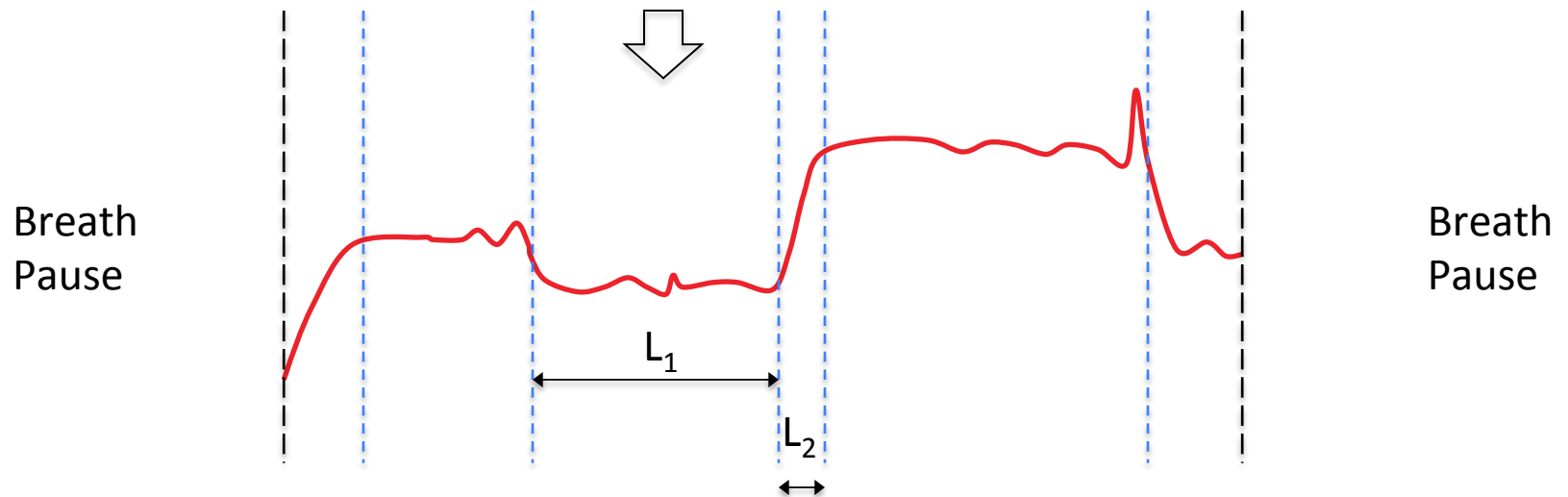
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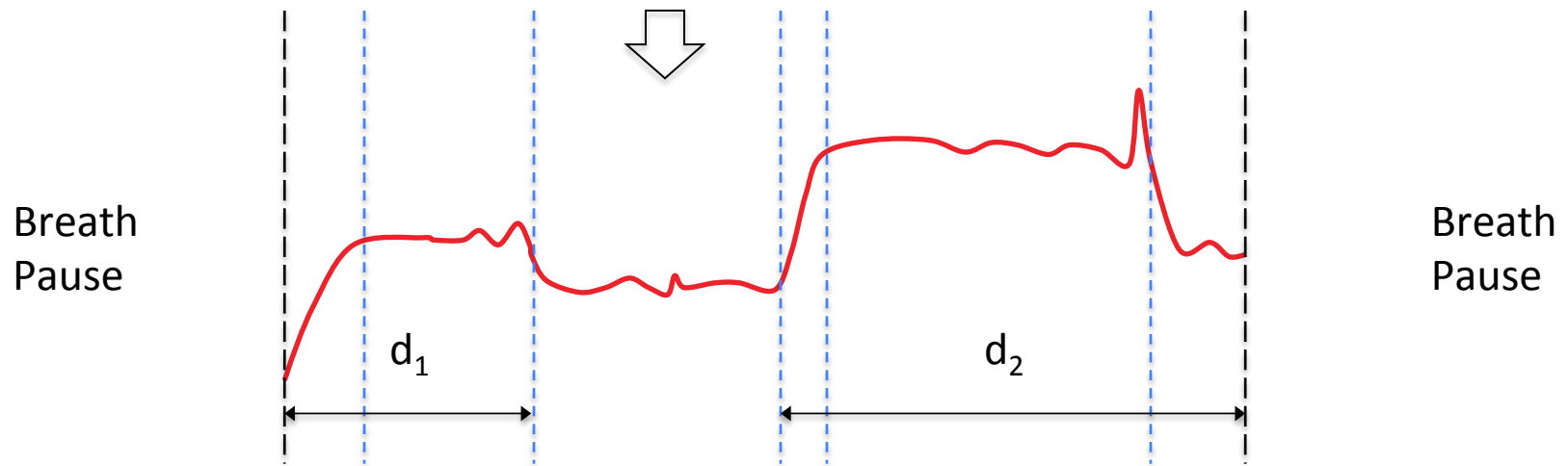
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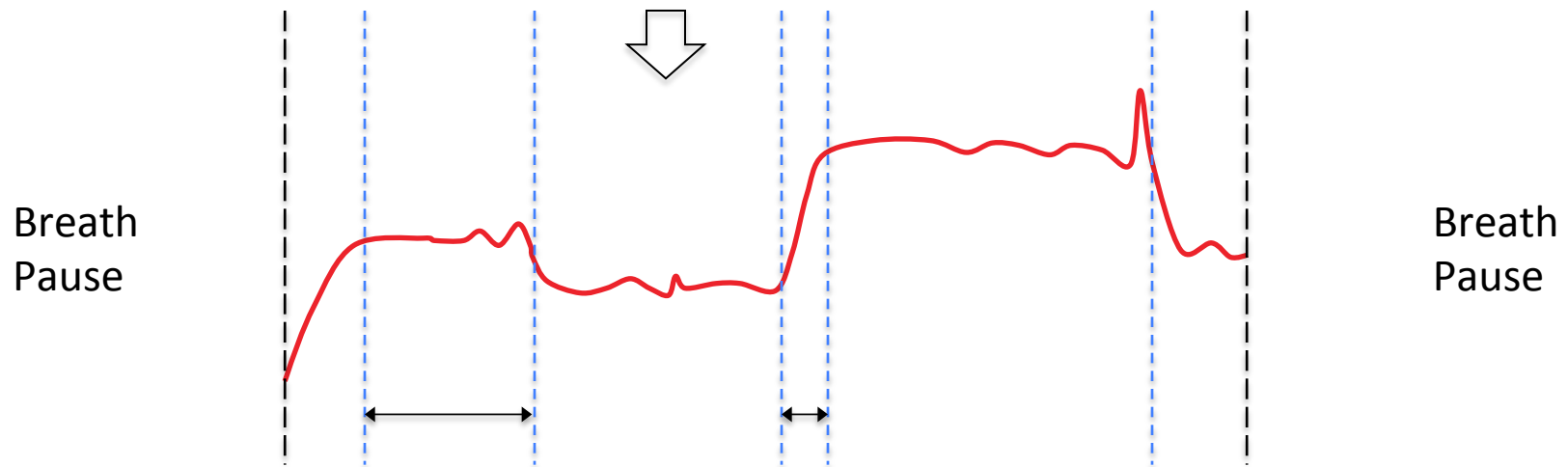
Feature Extraction: Contextual

- 4 different normalized segment lengths
- Time difference from the succeeding and preceding breath pauses



Feature Extraction: Contextual

- 4 different normalized segment lengths
- Time difference from the succeeding and preceding unvoiced regions
- Local features of neighboring segments ($9 \times 2 = 18$)



Segment Classification

- Class: Nyās and Non-nyās
- Classifiers:
 - Trees (`min_sample_split=10`)
 - K nearest neighbors (`n_neighbors=5`)
 - Naive bayes (`fit_prior=False`)
 - Logistic regression (`class_weight='auto'`)
 - Support vector machines (RBF)(`class_weight='auto'`)
- Testing methodology
 - Cross-fold validation
- Software: Scikit-learn, version 0.14.1

Evaluation: Dataset

- Audio:
 - Number of recordings: 20 Ālap vocal pieces
 - Duration of recordings: 1.5 hours
 - Number of artists: 8
 - Number of rāgs: 16
 - Type of audio: 15 polyphonic commercial recordings, 5 in-house monophonic recordings**
- Annotations: Musician with > 15 years of training
- Statistics:
 - 1257 nyās segments
 - 150 ms to 16.7 s
 - mean 2.46 s, median 1.47 s.

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Evaluation: Measures

- Boundary annotations (F-scores)
 - Hit rate
 - Allowed deviation: 100 ms
- Label annotations (F-scores):
 - Pairwise frame clustering method [Levy and Sandler 2008]
- Statistical significance: Mann-Whitney U test ($p=0.05$)
- Multiple comparison: Holm-Bonferroni method

M. Levy and M. Sandler, "Structural segmentation of musical audio by constrained clustering," IEEE Transactions on Audio, Speech, and Language Processing, vol. 16, no. 2, pp. 318–326, 2008.

H. B. Mann and D. R. Whitney, "On a test of whether one of two random variables is stochastically larger than the other," The annals of mathematical statistics, vol. 18, no. 1, pp. 50–60, 1947.

S. Holm, "A simple sequentially rejective multiple test procedure," Scandinavian journal of statistics, pp. 65– 70, 1979.

Evaluation: Baseline Approach

- DTW based kNN classification ($k=5$)
 - Frequently used for time series classification
- Random baselines
 - Randomly planting boundaries
 - Evenly planting boundaries at every 100 ms *
 - Ground truth boundaries, randomly assign class labels

X. Xi, E. J. Keogh, C. R. Shelton, L. Wei, and C. A. Ratanamahatana, "Fast time series classification using numerosity reduction," in Proc. of the Int. Conf. on Machine Learning, 2006, pp. 1033–1040.

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Results: Nyās Boundary Annotation

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	C	0.251	0.639	0.631	0.690	0.688	0.674
	L+C	0.389	0.694	0.693	0.708	0.722	0.706
B	L	0.546	0.708	0.754	0.714	0.749	0.758
	C	0.281	0.671	0.611	0.697	0.689	0.697
	L+C	0.332	0.672	0.710	0.730	0.743	0.731

Table 2. F-scores for nyās and non-nyās label annotations task using PLS method (A) and the proposed segmentation method (B). Results are shown for different classifiers (Tree, KNN, NB, LR, SVM) and local (L), contextual (C) and local together with contextual (L+C) features. DTW is the baseline method used for comparison. The best random baseline F-score is 0.153 obtained using RB2.

Conclusions and Future work

- Proposed segmentation better than PLS method
- Proposed methodology better than standard DTW based kNN classification
- Local features yield highest accuracy
- Contextual features are also important (maybe not complementary to local features)

- Future work
 - Perform similar analysis on Bandish performances
 - Incorporate Rāga specific knowledge

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