

## Experimental Investigation of Feature Quantity in Sound Signal and Feeling Impression Using PCA

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### Abstract

This paper describes experimental investigation of the relationship between feature quantity of sound signal and feeling impression using PCA (Principal Component Analysis). As the feature quantity, we use Fluctuation value and sum of squared errors (Residual) which is calculated by regression analysis of sound signal, in the same way as our previous paper. In order to investigate the feeling impression and effect from sound signal, we use a questionnaire survey method, that is, we ask some examinees to evaluate their feeling impression about sound (music) that we provide. As a result, we have found that the feeling response of examinees can be classified into three groups by a clustering analysis. And we have verified the feeling impression effects depending on each group of examinees and four kinds of frequency zone of sound signal from the results of PCA. In this paper, we also discuss the analysis results on the Kansei (or feeling) effect.

*Keywords:* Signal processing, Fluctuation, Intercept, Sum of squared errors, Feeling impression, PCA

### 1. Introduction

Recently,  $1/f$  fluctuation in various fields of signal has been actively researched, and it brings about an effect of such healing as a human being psychologically feels at ease, if there is a  $1/f$  relation between the power

spectrum of the signal and the frequency  $f$ <sup>1-7</sup>. However, we focused that the power spectrum have same fluctuation but the distribution are different. And we doubted the strong influence of the emotional impression factors other than fluctuation value.<sup>8</sup>

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Therefore, in the previous research, we have defined three kinds of parameters such as fluctuation value (or Fluctuation), intercept (or Intercept), and sum of squared errors (or Residual) as feature quantity in sound signal obtained from the calculation of the signals' fluctuation degree. And we have investigated the relation between feeling impression and those parameters, by using multiple regression analysis<sup>8</sup>. And we eliminate "Intercept" from the analysis, because this quantity (or parameter) is substantially equal to the volume of sound<sup>8</sup>.

Moreover we had considered possibility of the effect of feeling impression from frequency domains. So we divided into three frequency domains (Low Frequency (LF); 0~300Hz, Middle Frequency (MF); 300~1000Hz, High Frequency (HF); 1000~22050Hz) and analyzed each domain<sup>10, 11, 16</sup>.

As the results, we have understood that feeling impression have an impact on Residual more than Fluctuation, especially high frequency. In the regression analysis, we can be seen the impact of the sound features for the evaluation value of individual sensibility adjective items (for example, lightness, quickness, etc.). Although, it is difficult to capture the main factors on the relation between feature quantity of sound which presented to examinees, and feeling impression of examinees.

In this paper we analyze the affect of the feeling impression, from the music's Fluctuation and Residual, by use of principal component analysis. At first, we investigate the feeling impression of the music by using questionnaire survey. Then, from result we separate the examinees into the groups using clustering analysis. After that, we perform the PCA by the feeling impression or feature quantity of sound signal each frequency domains.

Furthermore we analyze relationship between feeling impression, and Fluctuation or Residual through the correspondence relationship of principal component axis.

## 2. Investigation between 3 Parameters Accompanying on the Calculation Fluctuation value (3PACF) and Feeling Impression

### 2.1. Fluctuation and 3PACF

Among fluctuations, the well-known  $1/f$  fluctuation means that the power spectrum (PS) of a signal is

proportional to the  $1/f$  of frequency. Moreover, it is pointed out that there is an effect that a human being feels pleasantness<sup>1-6</sup>.

Fig. 1 is shown the conceptual image of PS. Let  $Y(f)$  and  $\varepsilon(f)$  be the power of PS and its error, respectively. And we define the PS which is shown in Fig. 1 as Eq. (1).

$$Y(f) = \frac{k}{f^a} + \varepsilon(f) \quad (1)$$

Taking the logarithm of both sides,

$$\begin{aligned} \log Y(f) &= \log \left( \frac{k}{f^a} + \varepsilon(f) \right) = \log \left( \frac{k}{f^a} (1 + \tilde{\varepsilon}(f)) \right) \\ &= \log \left( \frac{k}{f^a} \right) + \log(1 + \tilde{\varepsilon}(f)) \\ \log Y(f) &= -a \log f + \log k + \log(1 + \tilde{\varepsilon}(f)) \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Let  $y(f) = \log Y(f)$  and  $\hat{\varepsilon}(f) = \log(1 + \tilde{\varepsilon}(f))$ , respectively. And let  $b = \log k$ , then we have the following Eq. (3).

$$\begin{aligned} y(f) &= -a \log f + \log k + \hat{\varepsilon}(f) \\ &= -a \log f + b + \hat{\varepsilon}(f) \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

Fig. 2 shows the regression line of Eq. (3). In Fig. 2, the vertical axis and the horizontal axis are logarithm of PS and logarithm of frequency  $f$ , respectively. In this paper, we define the absolute-degree of the regression line  $a$  "Fluctuation". Then, we define the intercept of the regression line ("Intercept") as  $b$ , and we also define the error from the line as  $e$ .<sup>8</sup>

Furthermore, we define the sum of squared errors ("Residual") as Eq. (4). In this equation,  $y$  and  $Y$  mean the actual measurement value and the theoretical value, respectively<sup>8</sup>.

$$s = \sum_i e_i^2 = \sum_i (y_i - Y_i)^2 \quad (4)$$

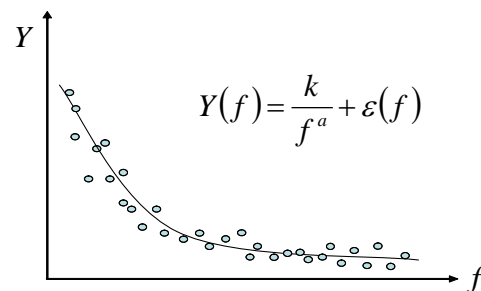


Fig. 1. Conceptual image of PS curve.<sup>14, 15, 17</sup>

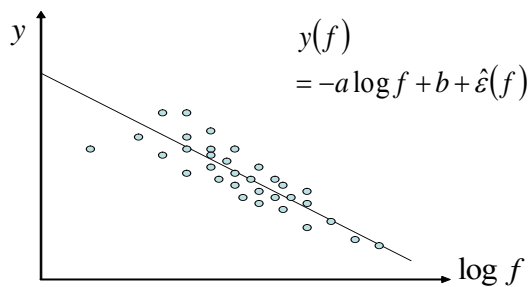


Fig. 2. Example of regression line.<sup>14, 15, 17</sup>

## 2.2. Evaluation of feeling impression

Next, we have used questionnaire survey in order to investigate the relation between 3PACF and feeling impression of music. The examinees are 34 students in the age of early twenties. The list of music used in this survey is shown in Table 1.

These sampling frequency and file format are 44.1 kHz and 16 bit wav, respectively. The files are ripped from CD using “Exact Audio Copy V1.0 Beta 3” with Pioneer BDR-S03J BD-drive.

For every piece of the music, we have taken 20 seconds to play it. The examinees evaluated the 4 items as shown in Table 2, by scoring from one to four. Also they have judged the preference for each of music by scoring from one to ten.

Table 1. Music list of wave files.<sup>14, 17</sup>

No	Title (.wav)	Genre
1	Another Sky	Easy Listening
2	Londonderry Air	Classic
3	Blieve you	Easy Listening
4	Drafting	Easy Listening
5	Down by the Riverside	Jazz
6	Space Odessey3 Revelation	Easy Listening
7	TOMORROW	Pops
8	Old French Song	Classic
9	Freedom	Pops
10	Red River Valley (brass)	Jazz

Table 2. Evaluation items of the questionnaire survey.<sup>17</sup>

Item1	Slow	1 ⇔ 4	Quick
Item2	Heavy	1 ⇔ 4	Light
Item3	Natural	1 ⇔ 4	Artificial
Item4	Negative	1 ⇔ 4	Positive
Preference	Dislike	1 ⇔ 10	Like

## 2.3. Clustering analysis

Subsequently, we have conducted clustering analysis to divide into examinees groups who was similar feeling

impression, by using the results of questionnaire survey. As preprocessing, we convert the evaluation (Item1 ~Item4) and Preference as follows;

- {Item1 ~ Item4} ≥ 3 → 1
- {Item1 ~ Item4} ≤ 2 → 0
- Preference ≥ 6 → 1
- Preference ≤ 5 → 0

Therefore, the data of whole examinees are consist from 34 set of 50 dimensional ((Item1 ~ Item4, and Preference) × 10songs) data. That is, this clustering analysis is performed in the 50-dimensional space. And we adopt Ward method<sup>9</sup> as the analysis.

Ward method is the method which uses often in the clustering analysis. As its characteristics, it is known that it hardly occur the Chain Effect<sup>9</sup>. In this method, the distance of clusters between  $C_i$  and  $C_j$  is defined by Eq. (5), and it is fused from small cluster of distance.

In Eq. (5),  $d(x, y)$  and  $\mu_{ij}$  are Euclidean distance and the mean vector of the cluster that fused the cluster  $C_i$  and  $C_j$ .

$$D(C_i, C_j) = \sum_{x \in C_i, C_j} d(x, \mu_{ij})^2 - \left( \sum_{x \in C_i} d(x, \mu_i)^2 + \sum_{x \in C_j} d(x, \mu_j)^2 \right) \quad (5)$$

Fig. 3 shows the concept of cluster fusion process by using Ward method. In the figure, cluster  $C_i$ ,  $C_j$ , and  $C_k$  have mean vectors  $\mu_i$ ,  $\mu_j$ , and  $\mu_k$ , respectively. Because the distance between  $C_j$  and  $C_k$  is the smallest in Fig. 3, they will be fused.

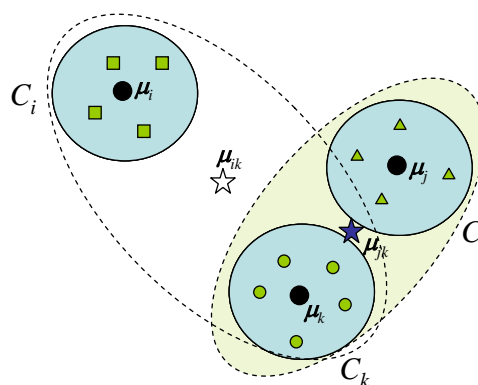


Fig. 3. Conceptual image of cluster fusion process by using Ward method.

And then, we perform Wilk’s Lambda test as the statistical test<sup>9</sup>. It is a test of the difference between the

mean values of the vector comprising a plurality of variables. The null hypothesis  $H_0$  and alternative hypothesis  $H_1$  are as follows;

- $H_0$ : Difference of all mean vectors are equal.
- $H_1$ : Difference of all mean vectors are not equal.

Whenever each time of clustering has finished, we apply Wilk's Lambda Test repeatedly. In this test, we set significance to 1%. And then, if it will not come into effect significance of 1% on next-time test, the clustering is quit<sup>10, 15, 16</sup>.

#### 2.4. Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

In this section, we describe the PCA<sup>12, 13</sup> performing space and the set of vectors. However, we decide to eliminate Intercept because it substantially equal to the volume of sound.

First, we define Physical Quantity Space (PQS) that is two-dimensional space which axis is the fluctuation value and Residual. The subject of PCA is a set of 10 pieces of music vectors (Table 3), and also we perform PCA in each frequency domain (AF, LF, MF, and HF). The other hand, we define Feeling Adjective Space (FAS) that is five-dimensional space which axis is the feeling impression of the examinees. The subject of PCA is a set of 10 pieces of music's Feeling Impression Vectors (FIVs).

Table 3. Fluctuation and Residual.<sup>17</sup>

No.	Title (*.wav)	AF		LF		MF		HF	
		Fl.	Re.	Fl.	Re.	Fl.	Re.	Fl.	Re.
1	Another_Sky	1.715	0.414	0.454	0.487	1.713	0.674	1.777	0.394
2	Londonderry_Air	1.627	0.399	1.023	0.489	1.873	0.906	1.706	0.369
3	Blieve_you	2.111	0.466	0.457	0.503	0.527	0.844	2.472	0.409
4	Drafting	1.593	0.431	0.917	0.474	1.296	1.006	1.706	0.404
5	Down_by_the_Riverside	1.724	0.448	0.553	0.502	0.470	0.679	2.115	0.406
6	Space_Odessey3_Revelation	0.990	0.323	1.614	0.195	1.522	0.470	1.004	0.316
7	Tomorrow	2.268	0.555	0.129	0.619	0.721	0.545	2.903	0.463
8	Old_French_Song	1.398	0.433	1.509	0.275	1.633	1.255	1.515	0.399
9	Freedom	2.173	0.589	-0.259	0.535	-0.047	0.575	2.705	0.517
10	Red_River_Valley_(brass)	1.520	0.526	0.499	0.653	0.723	0.733	1.658	0.507

Fl.: Fluctuation, Re.: Residual

##### 2.4.1. Feeling Impression Vector (FIV)

This subsection, we describe the FIVs.

First, we define the evaluation  $S_{(i,k)}$  of examinee  $k$  as Eq. (6).  $i$  and  $e_1, \dots, e_5$  are the music number and the evaluation of Item1 ~ Preference, respectively.

$$S_{(i,k)} = (e_1, \dots, e_5) \quad (6)$$

Then, we convert the evaluation (Item1 ~ Item4) and

Preference as same as Section 2.2. And we define the converting processed vector, as Eq. (7).  $a_1, \dots, a_5$  are zero or one in Eq. (7). That is;

- $\{\text{Item1} \sim \text{Item4}\} \geq 3 \rightarrow 1$
- $\{\text{Item1} \sim \text{Item4}\} \leq 2 \rightarrow 0$
- Preference  $\geq 6 \rightarrow 1$
- Preference  $\leq 5 \rightarrow 0$

$$\tilde{S}_{(i,k)} = (a_1, \dots, a_5) \quad (7)$$

Hence, the vector  $S_i^*$  of the sum of evaluation  $r$  people is FIV which is defined by Eq. (8).  $Z_1, \dots, Z_5$  are the sum of evaluation Item1 ~ Preference of  $r$  people, respectively.

$$S_i^* = (Z_1, \dots, Z_5) = \sum_{k=1}^r \tilde{S}_{(i,k)} \quad (8)$$

That is, we apply Eq. (6) ~ Eq. (9) to each group, which is divided by using clustering analysis, and we perform PCA of the each group.

Subsequent sections, we define  $u_n$  ( $n=1, 2$ ) and  $v_m$  ( $m=1, \dots, 5$ ) in the principal component axis of set of vectors on PQS and FAS, respectively.

Additionally, we define  $f_i$  and  $x_i$  in the vectors of music number  $i$  ( $i=1, \dots, 10$ ) on PQS and FAS, respectively. So we can express  $f_i$  and  $x_i$  on the coordinate axes  $u_n$  and  $v_m$  respectively as follows.

$$(\langle f_i | u_1 \rangle, \langle f_i | u_2 \rangle), (\langle x_i | v_1 \rangle, \dots, \langle x_i | v_5 \rangle) \quad (9)$$

#### 2.5. Correlation of the principal component axis

Subsequently, we investigate the correspondence of principal component axes of PQS and principal component axes of FAS. Let  $C_u$  and  $C_v$  be the coefficient matrix which is calculated by PCA of PQS and the coefficient matrix which is calculated by PCA of FAS, respectively. And we can describe the basis vectors  $u_n$  and  $v_m$  by using  $p_n$  (the basis vectors on PQS) and  $i_m$  (the basis vectors on FAS), as shown in Eq. (10) and (11).

$$u_n \equiv C_u p_n = \begin{bmatrix} C_{u11} & C_{u12} \\ C_{u21} & C_{u22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \delta_{n1} \\ \delta_{n2} \end{bmatrix}, \delta_{nk} = \begin{cases} (n=k)1 \\ (n \neq k)0 \end{cases} \quad (10)$$

$$v_m \equiv C_v i_m = \begin{bmatrix} C_{v11} & \dots & C_{v15} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ C_{v51} & \dots & C_{v55} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \delta_{m1} \\ \vdots \\ \delta_{m5} \end{bmatrix}, \delta_{mk} = \begin{cases} (m=k)1 \\ (m \neq k)0 \end{cases} \quad (11)$$

From Eq. (9) ~ (11), correspondence between  $u_n$  and  $v_m$  can be judged by the correlation coefficient  $R$  between  $\langle f_i | u_n \rangle$  and  $\langle x_i | v_m \rangle$ .  $R$  is defined by Eq. (12).

$$R = \frac{\sum \langle f_i | u_n \rangle \langle x_i | v_m \rangle}{\sqrt{\sum \langle f_i | u_n \rangle^2} \sqrt{\sum \langle x_i | v_m \rangle^2}} \quad (12)$$

### 3. Results of Feeling Impression and Discussion

#### 3.1. Clustering analysis

Fig. 4 shows the result of clustering analysis and its statistical test. As shown in Fig. 4, 34-person examinees are divided 3 groups. The names of groups (G1, G2, and G3) are given in descending order of head-count. Examinees belonging to A, B, and C are 19 person (55.9% of total), 8 person (23.5% of total), and 7 person (20.6% of total), respectively. Table 4 also shows the results of the aggregate of evaluation items that is preprocessed describing in Section 2.3.

#### 3.2. PCA

Table 5 and Fig. 5 show the results of PCA on PQS (Physical Quantity Space). The plotted marks in Fig. 5 indicate endpoints of the vectors from origin. From Table 5 and Fig. 5, we consider that the music that is used in the investigation of this paper, the weight of Fluctuation and the Residual are same degree. Because the components of the Fluctuation and Residual are contained in  $u_1$  and  $u_2$  approximately equal proportions. The other hand, Table 6 and Fig. 6 show the results of PCA on FAS (Feeling Adjective Space). In the space, we do not consider principal component  $v_3$ , because the cumulative contribution ratio of principal component  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are about 94.7% in minimum of each groups.

From Table 6 and Fig. 6, we understand as follows;

- In group G1,  $v_2$  is Preference, and the correspondence between  $v_1$  and Item2 (Lightness) or Item3 (Artificial) are also strong.
- In group G2 and G3, the correspondence between  $v_1$  and Item4,  $v_2$  and Item1 are strong respectively.

That is, 56% of examinees (G1) prefer light and artificial music in which have used this paper. However tendency of music to suit the taste of the remaining of

examinees (G2 and G3) are not clear, because there are individual differences. From Fig. 6(a), we consider that examinees of group G1 prefer “Believe\_you”.

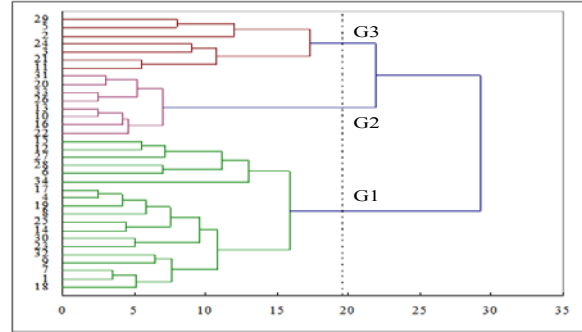


Fig. 4. Dendrogram of clustering result by using questionnaire results of examinees.<sup>17</sup>

Table 4. Results of feeling impression questionnaire.<sup>17</sup>

(a) Group G1

Music#	*.wav	Item1 (Quick)	Item2 (L.Light)	Item3 (Artificial)	Item4 (Positive)	Preference
1	Another Sky	3	14	17	15	7
2	Londonderry Air	1	6	3	8	9
3	Blieve you	3	5	2	18	10
4	Drafting	0	3	3	0	7
5	Down by the Riverside	18	18	15	19	5
6	Space Odessey3 Revelation	1	11	6	1	5
7	Tomorrow	12	12	18	19	13
8	Old French Song	1	7	7	1	3
9	Freedom	19	15	15	18	8
10	Red River Valley (brass)	9	17	15	18	6

(b) Group G2

Music#	*.wav	Item1 (Quick)	Item2 (L.Light)	Item3 (Artificial)	Item4 (Positive)	Preference
1	Another Sky	1	4	5	8	8
2	Londonderry Air	0	0	0	4	7
3	Blieve you	0	2	0	8	8
4	Drafting	0	0	2	0	7
5	Down by the Riverside	6	7	6	8	7
6	Space Odessey3 Revelation	0	2	1	0	8
7	Tomorrow	7	6	8	8	8
8	Old French Song	0	0	2	0	8
9	Freedom	8	7	5	8	7
10	Red River Valley (brass)	4	8	7	8	8

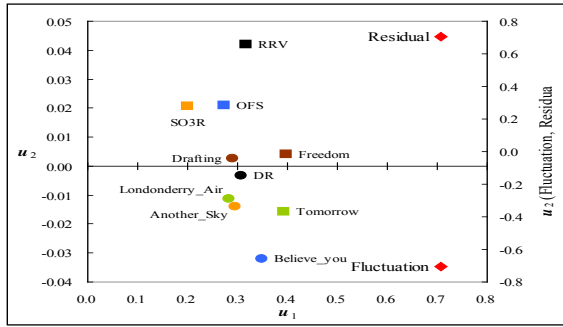
(c) Group G3

Music#	*.wav	Item1 (Quick)	Item2 (L.Light)	Item3 (Artificial)	Item4 (Positive)	Preference
1	Another Sky	0	5	4	7	7
2	Londonderry Air	0	1	4	3	6
3	Blieve you	0	3	4	4	5
4	Drafting	2	2	4	2	6
5	Down by the Riverside	1	4	5	6	6
6	Space Odessey3 Revelation	1	4	4	2	4
7	Tomorrow	2	1	4	4	7
8	Old French Song	5	4	5	3	4
9	Freedom	4	3	5	5	3
10	Red River Valley (brass)	5	5	6	6	5

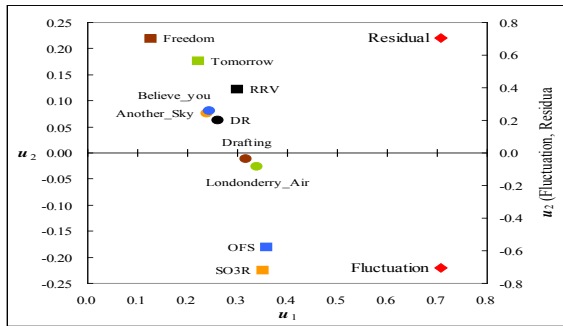
#### 3.3. Correlation of the principal component axis

We have calculated the correlation coefficient between principal component axes of PQS ( $u_n$ ) and FAS ( $v_m$ ) based on the results of PCA on each space, in each frequency domains (AF, LF, MF, and HF).

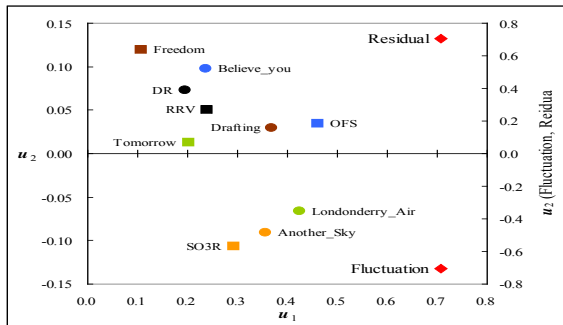
Table 7 and Fig. 7 show the results of correlation



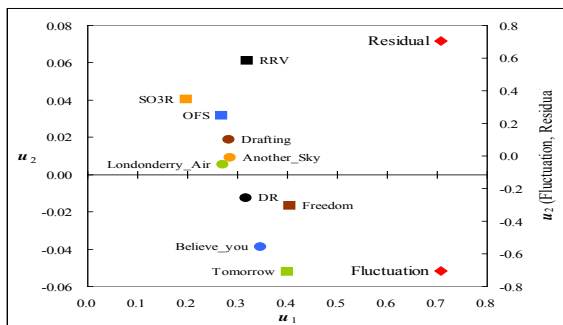
(a) AF (All Frequency domain)



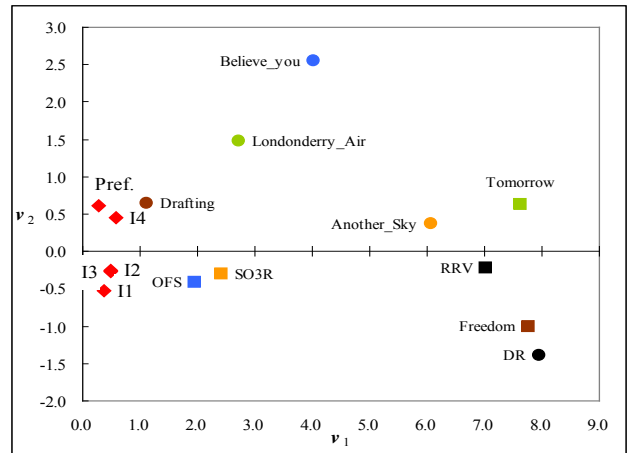
(b) LF (Low Frequency domain)



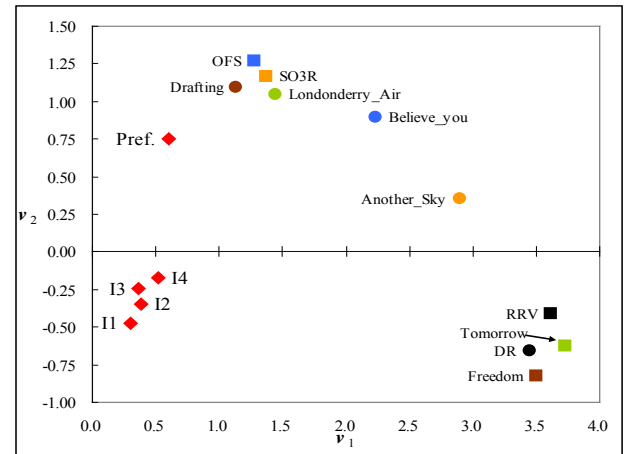
(c) MF (Middle Frequency domain)



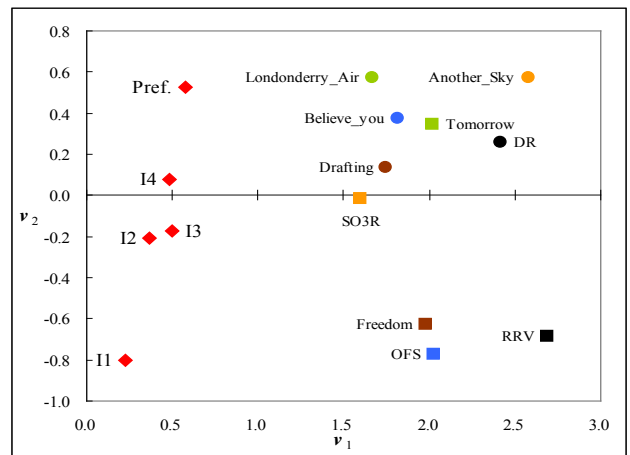
(d) HF (High Frequency domain)



(a) Group G1



(b) Group G2



(c) Group G3

Fig. 5. PCA results on Physical Quantity Space (PQS).<sup>17</sup>  
 DR: Down\_by\_the\_Riverside, SO3R: Space\_Odessey3\_Reveration,  
 OFS: Old\_French\_Song, RRV: Red\_River\_Valley (brass)

Fig. 6. PCA results on Feeling Adjective Space (FAS).<sup>17</sup>  
 DR: Down\_by\_the\_Riverside, SO3R: Space\_Odessey3\_Reveration,  
 OFS: Old\_French\_Song, RRV: Red\_River\_Valley (brass),  
 I1: Item1 (Quick), I2: Item2 (Light), I3: Item3 (Artificial),  
 I4: Item4 (Positive), Pref.: Preference (Like)

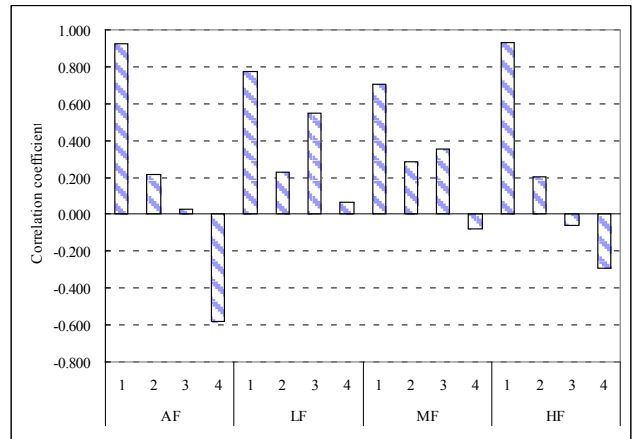
Table 5. PCA results on Physical Quantity Space (PQS).

(a) Music vector

No.	Title (*.wav)	AF		LF		MF		HF	
		$\langle f_i   u_1 \rangle$	$\langle f_i   u_2 \rangle$	$\langle f_i   u_1 \rangle$	$\langle f_i   u_2 \rangle$	$\langle f_i   u_1 \rangle$	$\langle f_i   u_2 \rangle$	$\langle f_i   u_1 \rangle$	$\langle f_i   u_2 \rangle$
1	Another Sky	0.2959	-0.0139	0.2379	0.0757	0.3567	-0.0907	0.2856	0.0093
2	Londonderry Air	0.2826	-0.0112	0.3402	-0.0256	0.4235	-0.0659	0.2707	0.0054
3	Believe you	0.3492	-0.0319	0.2437	0.0802	0.2354	0.0978	0.3454	-0.0390
4	Drafting	0.2904	0.0027	0.3163	-0.0115	0.3679	0.0292	0.2838	0.0186
5	Down by the Riverside	0.3082	-0.0032	0.2604	0.0625	0.1955	0.0726	0.3162	-0.0127
6	Space Odyssey3 Revelation	0.1994	0.0206	0.3514	-0.2257	0.2915	-0.1062	0.1965	0.0404
7	Tomorrow	0.3937	-0.0158	0.2220	0.1759	0.2017	0.0132	0.3991	-0.0523
8	Old French Song	0.2736	0.0211	0.3582	-0.1814	0.4610	0.0343	0.2671	0.0315
9	Freedom	0.3966	0.0042	0.1259	0.2185	0.1072	0.1195	0.4039	-0.0168
10	Red River Valley (brass)	0.3164	0.0419	0.2992	0.1210	0.2390	0.0502	0.3187	0.0609

(b) Bases vector

Physical parameter	AF		LF		MF		HF	
	$u_1$	$u_2$	$u_1$	$u_2$	$u_1$	$u_2$	$u_1$	$u_2$
Fluctuation	0.7071	-0.7071	0.7071	-0.7071	0.7071	-0.7071	0.7071	-0.7071
Residual	0.7071	0.7071	0.7071	0.7071	0.7071	0.7071	0.7071	0.7071



(a) Group G1

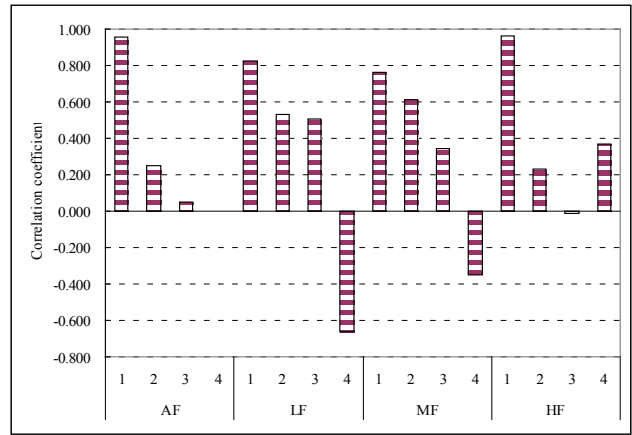
Table 6. PCA results on Feeling Adjective Space (FAS).

(a) Music vector

No.	Title (*.wav)	G1		G2		G3	
		$\langle x_i   v_1 \rangle$	$\langle x_i   v_2 \rangle$	$\langle x_i   v_1 \rangle$	$\langle x_i   v_2 \rangle$	$\langle x_i   v_1 \rangle$	$\langle x_i   v_2 \rangle$
1	Another Sky	6.0797	0.3689	2.8965	0.3500	2.5807	0.5734
2	Londonderry Air	2.7105	1.4754	1.4441	1.0455	1.6698	0.5723
3	Believe you	4.0316	2.5531	2.2330	0.8974	1.8146	0.3734
4	Drafting	1.1179	0.6379	1.1369	1.0948	1.7465	0.1387
5	Down by the Riverside	7.9547	-1.3869	3.4447	-0.6613	2.4187	0.2587
6	Space Odyssey3 Revelation	2.4144	-0.3028	1.3663	1.1635	1.5952	-0.0153
7	Tomorrow	7.6395	0.6232	3.7316	-0.6296	2.0180	0.3437
8	Old French Song	1.9509	-0.4201	1.2753	1.2671	2.0279	-0.7724
9	Freedom	7.7726	-1.0138	3.4965	-0.8230	1.9809	-0.6257
10	Red River Valley (brass)	7.0231	-0.2201	3.6188	-0.4069	2.6909	-0.6853

(b) Bases vector

Feeling impression	G1		G2		G3	
	$v_1$	$v_2$	$v_1$	$v_2$	$v_1$	$v_2$
Item1 (Quick)	0.366	-0.520	0.296	-0.474	0.227	-0.801
Item2 (Light)	0.482	-0.249	0.382	-0.348	0.364	-0.209
Item3 (Artificial)	0.477	-0.269	0.367	-0.243	0.495	-0.174
Item4 (Positive)	0.570	0.460	0.518	-0.175	0.483	0.078
Preference (Like)	0.285	0.619	0.603	0.751	0.581	0.527



(b) Group G2

Table 7. Correlation coefficient between principal.<sup>17</sup>

(a) Group G1

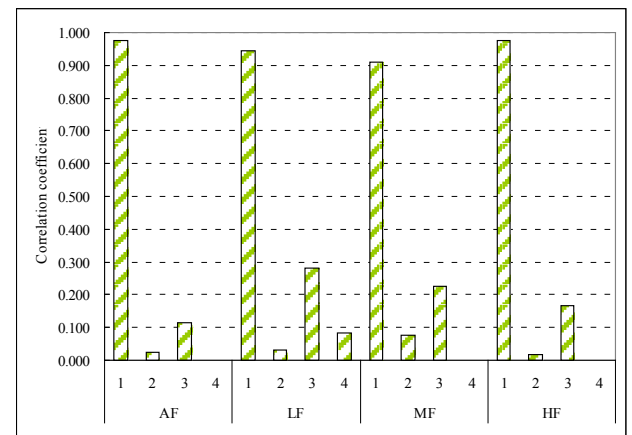
Principal axis	AF		LF		MF		HF	
	$u_1$	$u_2$	$u_1$	$u_2$	$u_1$	$u_2$	$u_1$	$u_2$
$v_1$	0.926	0.028	0.774	0.547	0.704	0.351	0.931	-0.059
$v_2$	0.216	-0.579	0.230	0.068	0.288	-0.080	0.203	-0.294

(b) Group G2

Principal axis	AF		LF		MF		HF	
	$u_1$	$u_2$	$u_1$	$u_2$	$u_1$	$u_2$	$u_1$	$u_2$
$v_1$	0.956	0.049	0.827	0.506	0.761	0.341	0.960	-0.015
$v_2$	0.251	0.000	0.528	-0.660	0.611	-0.351	0.233	0.371

(c) Group G3

Principal axis	AF		LF		MF		HF	
	$u_1$	$u_2$	$u_1$	$u_2$	$u_1$	$u_2$	$u_1$	$u_2$
$v_1$	0.976	0.115	0.945	0.280	0.911	0.226	0.975	0.166
$v_2$	0.024	-0.784	0.031	0.083	0.075	-0.425	0.016	-0.482



(c) Group G3

Fig. 7. Correlation coefficient between principal axes.

- 1: Correlation between  $\langle f_i | u_1 \rangle$  and  $\langle x_i | v_1 \rangle$ ,
- 2: Correlation between  $\langle f_i | u_1 \rangle$  and  $\langle x_i | v_2 \rangle$ ,
- 3: Correlation between  $\langle f_i | u_2 \rangle$  and  $\langle x_i | v_1 \rangle$ ,
- 4: Correlation between  $\langle f_i | u_2 \rangle$  and  $\langle x_i | v_2 \rangle$ .

coefficient in each group (G1, G2, and G3). The colored portion of Table 7 indicates that the absolute value of the correlation coefficient is 0.700 or higher.

### 3.3.1. Group G1

From Table 7 (a) and Fig. 7 (a), the correlation coefficient on AF and HF between  $u_1$  and  $v_1$  are 0.926 and 0.931 respectively, so they have strong positive correlation.

We refer Fig. 5(a) and (d), increase in Fluctuation and Residual are tendency in response to increase of  $u_1$ . Also from Fig. 6(a), increase in Item2 (Lightness) and Item3 (Artificial) are tendency in response to increase of  $v_1$ .

Similarly, the correlation coefficient on LF and MF between  $u_1$  and  $v_1$  are 0.774 and 0.704 respectively, so they have positive correlation.

We refer Fig. 5(a) ~ (c), Fluctuation and Residual on LF of all music are lower than AF. And the music which Fluctuation and Residual are small on AF, there are tendency they increase on MF.

Therefore, we consider the music become light and artificial impression by increasing Fluctuation and Residual, on AF, MF, and HF.

### 3.3.2. Group G2

From Table 7 (b) and Fig. 7 (b), we understand that G2 have tendency same as G1. And, the correlation coefficient of each domain between  $u_1$  and  $v_1$  are higher than 0.761, so they have positive correlation. Besides, we refer Fig. 6(b), increase in Item4 (Positive) is tendency in response to increase of  $v_1$ .

Therefore, we consider the music become positive impression by increasing Fluctuation and Residual.

### 3.3.3. Group G3

From Table 7 (c) and Fig. 7 (c), we understand that the correlation coefficient of each domain of G3 between  $u_1$  and  $v_1$  are higher than 0.911, so they have strong positive correlation. Especially the correlation coefficient of AF between  $u_2$  and  $v_2$  is -0.784, so they have negative correlation.

We refer Fig. 6(c), increase in Item4 (Positive) is tendency in response to increase of  $v_1$ . And from Fig 5 (a) ~ (d), increase in Fluctuation and Residual are tendency in response to increase of  $u_1$ . Furthermore,

decreasing Fluctuation and increasing Residual are tendency in response to decrease of  $v_2$ .

Therefore, we consider the music become positive impression by increasing Fluctuation and Residual. Especially, by increasing Fluctuation and Residual on AF, the music become fast impression.

### 3.3.4. Overall tendency

We understand that 56% of examinees (Group G1) feel light and artificial impression from the music which both of Fluctuation and Residual are high, and they have tendency that they prefer the music which Fluctuation and Residual are high and low, respectively. We also understand that rest of 44% examinees (Group G2 and G3) feel positive impression, but they don't.

We can judge that the sensitivity of the music impression is strong influence by Fluctuation and Residual of HF, because the above tendencies are common to AF and HF.

## 4. Conclusion

In this paper, we have investigated the effects between feature quantity of sound signal and feeling impression by using Principal Component Analysis (PCA). As feature quantity, we have used Fluctuation and Residual. As for the feeling impression questionnaire, we have presented 10 piece of music to examinees and they evaluated 5 items, i.e. quickness, lightness, artificial, positiveness, and preference (like or dislike). Then, we performed clustering analysis using Ward method based on the evaluation results, and we understood that the examinees feeling impression could be divided into 3 groups.

Next, we have performed PCA in the Physical Quantity Spaces of the each frequency domain (AF, LF, MF, and HF) and performed PCA in the Feeling Adjective Spaces of each group. Furthermore, we also investigated correlation between the principal component axes.

As the results, we have understood that 56% of examinees feel light and artificial impression from the music in which both values of Fluctuation and Residual are high. And we have also found that they prefer such music.

Although there were not seen such correlativity about the rest 44% of examinees, we were able to understand that they feel positive impression from the music in which the both values of Fluctuation and Residual are high.



Moreover, we have found that the high frequency feature quantity of sound has the strongest influence to people's feeling impression.

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