# Distributed Digital Music Archives and Libraries (DDMAL)

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## **Research Infrastructure**

CIRMMT
 McGill University
 Schulich School of Music
 Music Technology Area
 DDMAL





# CIRMMT

Centre for Interdisciplinary Research in Music Media and Technology

#### Six research axes:

- Sound modeling, acoustics, and signal processing
- Musical gestures, devices, and motion capture
- Musical information archiving and retrieval
- Multimodal immersive systems
- Music perception and cognition
- Expanded musical practice





# CIRMMT

## Centre for Interdisciplinary Research in Music Media and Technology

#### **Schulich School of Music**

- Music Technology Area
- Sound Recording Area
- Digital Composition Studio
- Music Education Area
- Music Theory Area

#### **McGill Faculty of Science**

- Department of Psychology
- School of Computer Science

#### McGill Faculty of Engineering

 Electrical and Computer Engineering

#### **McGill Faculty of Medicine**

 Montreal Neurological Institute

#### Université de Montréal

- Faculty of Music
- Faculty of Arts and Sciences (Psychology, Computer Science)
- BRAMS

#### Université de Sherbrooke

Groupe d'Acoustique





## McGill University Schulich School of Music Music Technology Area

Professors

- Philippe Depalle
- Ichiro Fujinaga
- Stephen McAdams
- Gary Scavone
- Marcelo Wanderley
- Post-docs (5)
- PhD students (18)
- Master's students (7)
- Honours undergrads (7)





## McGill University Schulich School of Music Music Technology Area

- Sound Processing and Control Laboratory (SPCL)
- Computational Acoustic Modeling Laboratory (CAML)
- Input Devices and Music Interaction Laboratory (IDMIL)
- Music Perception and Cognition Laboratory (MPCL)
- Real-Time Multimodal Laboratory (RTML)
- Distributed Digital Music Archives and Libraries Laboratory (DDMAL)





Research Projects in DDMAL Distributed Digital Music Archives and Libraries
GEMM: Laurent Pugin, John Ashley Burgoyn
Gamut for Early Music on Microfilms
jMIR: Cory McKay
Java-based Music Information Retrieval tools

- OMEN: Dan McEnnis, Andrew Hankinson
  - On-demand Metadata Extraction Network
- **MAPP:** *Catherine Lai, Damon Li* 
  - McGill Audio Preservation Project
     MAQ (McGill Audio Quality laboratory)
    - MItAC (McGill Image to Audio Conversion system)





### GEMM

## (Gamut for Early Music on Microfilms)

- Based on GAMUT (Gamera-based Automatic Music Understanding Toolkit) & ARUSPIX
- Possibility of OMR for music on microfilms
- Almost all old Western music are on microfilms
- Efficient digitization using automatic microfilm scanner (500ppm)
- Goal: Diplomatic facsimile
  - Geometrically accurate reproduction
  - Imitate fonts and handwriting style





## jMIR java-based MIR tools

ACE (Autonomous Classifier Engine) Meta learning framework ■ jAudio Feature extractor for audio data jSymbolic Feature extractor for symbolic data jWebMiner Cultural features extractor from web text jMusicMetaManager

Detect and correct erroneous metadata







## On-demand Metadata Extraction Network (OMEN)

- Musical features are metadata
- Metadata (XML) much bigger than audio files
- Audio files mirrored in several locations
- Under-utilized library computers
- Common features (metadata) cached
- L2L (library-to-library) protocol: currently implemented using servlets and JavaServer Pages (JSP)





# **OMEN Topology**

#### Master Node

### Library Node

Worker Node







# McGill Audio Preservation Project (MAPP)

- Millions of LPs to be digitized
- Workflow management
- Document analysis
- Automatic metadata extraction
- Automatic track segmentation
- Recordings before 1957: Public Domain
- Pilot project: Edelberg Handel Collection





## McGill Image-to-Audio Conversion (MItAC) System







# White-light Interferometry Profiling Microscope



Lateral resolution
0.1 micrometer (µm)
Vertical resolution
0.1 nanometer
\$260,000 !







#### **5-Dimensional Interactive Display**

#### Surface Stats:

Ra: 7.68 um

Rq: 8.81 um

Rt: 31.18 um

#### Measurement Info:

Magnification: 20.60 Measurement Mode: VSI Sampling: 475.63 nm Array Size: 480 X 736



#### Title: McGill University Note: Red LP - Maximum Modulation

**McGill** 



## The world's slowest turntable

Time and space to scan one side of an LP

Resolution	Time (hours)	File Size (GB)
5x	61	44
10x	241 (10 days)	173
50x	6,251 (~ 8 months)	4,486
100x	24,743 (~ 3 years)	17,756





# **Upcoming Research**

- Statistical sequential data analysis: John Ashley Burgoyne
- Pitch estimation in polyphonic vocal music to facilitate choral intonation modeling: *Johanna Devaney*
- Distributed name authority architecture for digital music libraries: *Andrew Hankinson*
- High-resolution time-frequency analysis: Jason Hockman





# Introducing NEMA

- Network Environment for Music Analysis
- Mellon-funded three-year \$1.2M project
- Participants
  - UIUC (Downie)
  - McGill (Fujinaga)
  - Goldsmiths (Crawford)
  - Queen Mary (Sandler)
  - South Hampton (De Roure)
  - Waikato (Bainbridge)
- Technologies: jMIR, ACE XML, OMEN,...





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