PAT 464/564 (Winter 2026)

Generative AI for Music & Audio Creation

Lecture 5: Music Analysis

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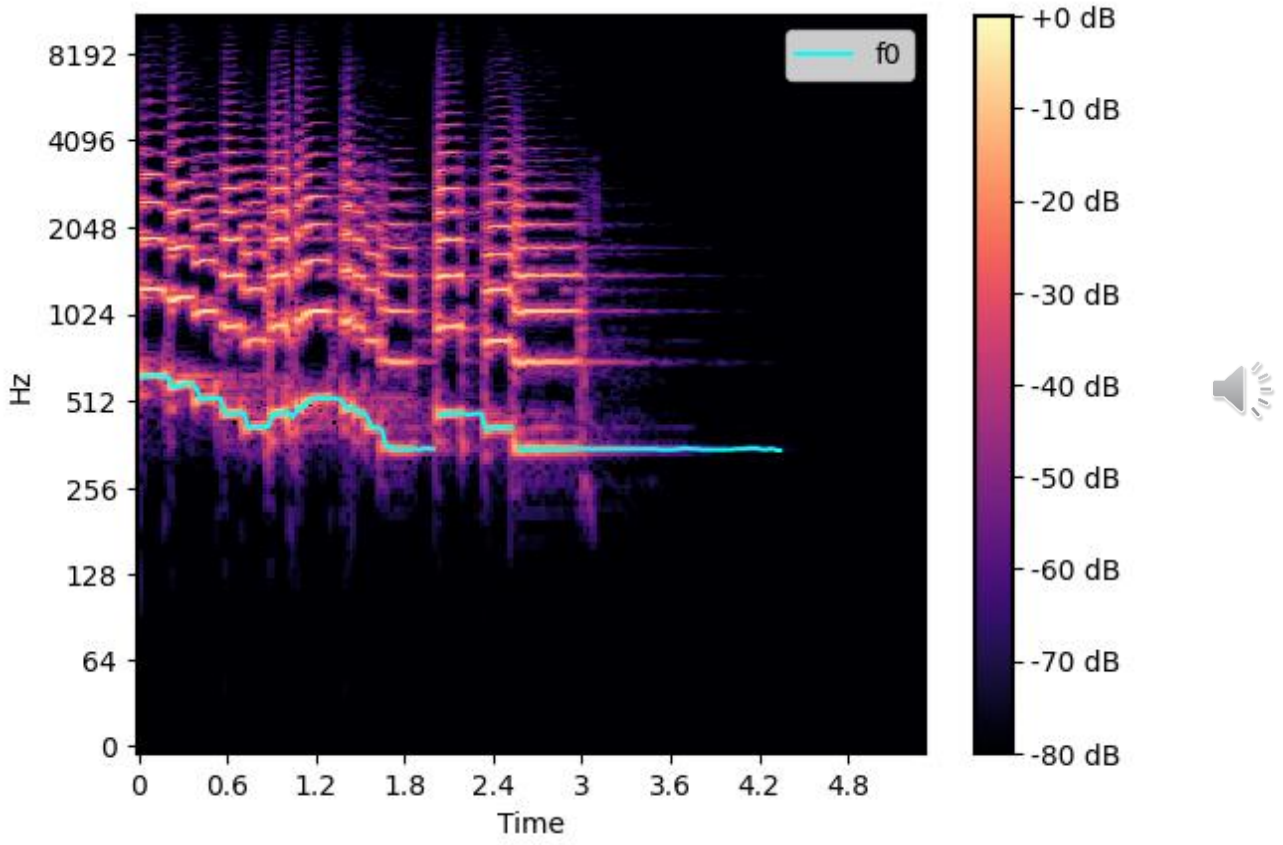
Today We'll Cover

- Music Transcription
- Harmony Analysis
- Rhythm Analysis
- Structure Analysis
- Optical Music Recognition

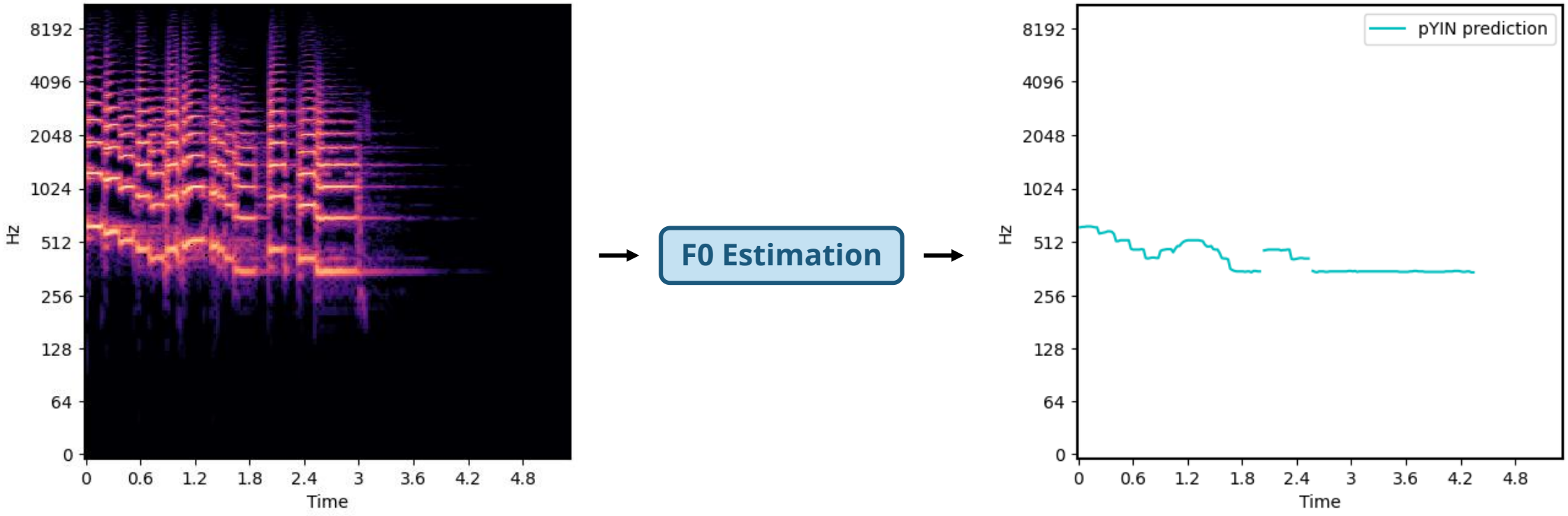
Music Transcription

Fundamental Frequency (F0)

- **Definition**: The **lowest frequency component** of a waveform



Fundamental Frequency (F0) Estimation



Auto-tune Artist

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Auto-tune

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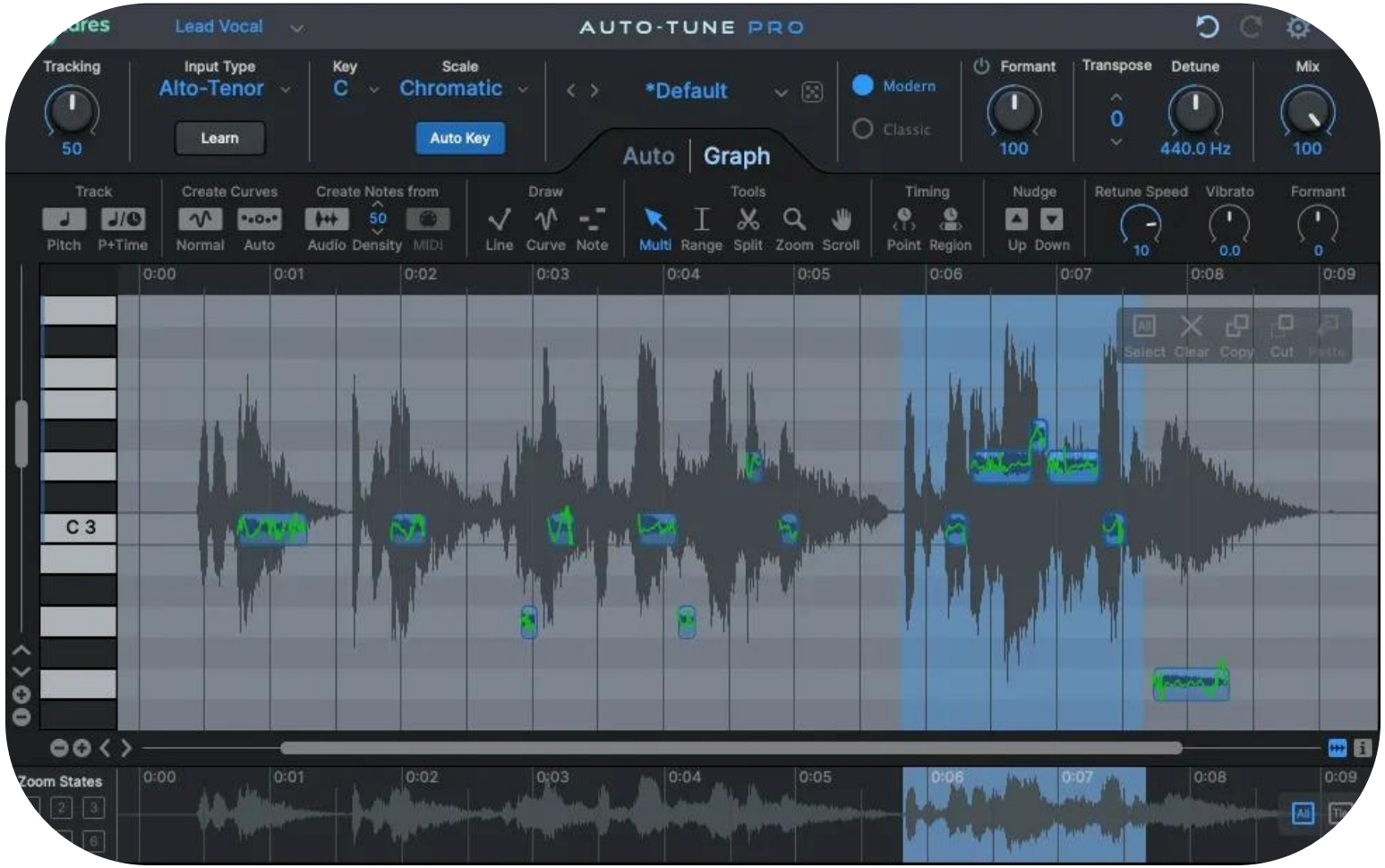
Auto-tune Pro



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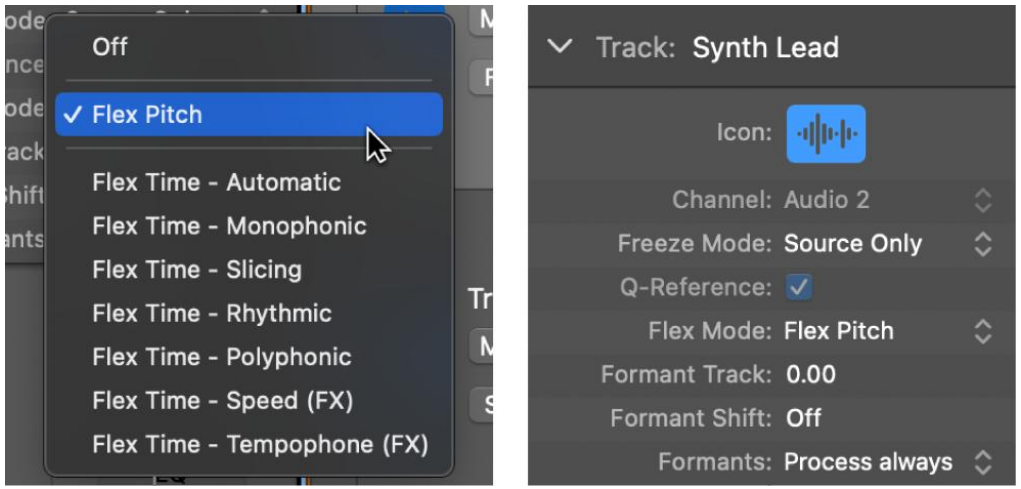

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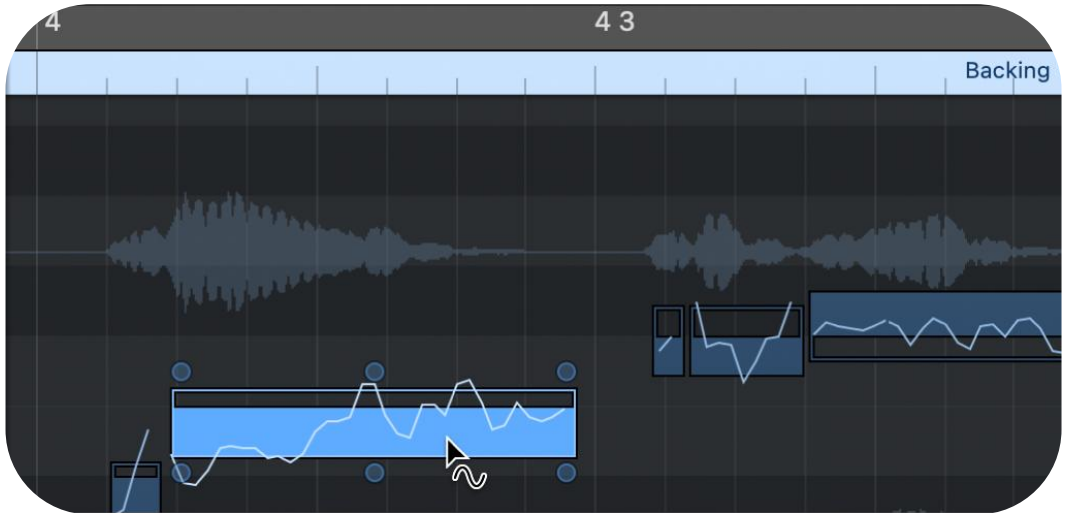

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Other Auto-tune & Pitch Correction Tools

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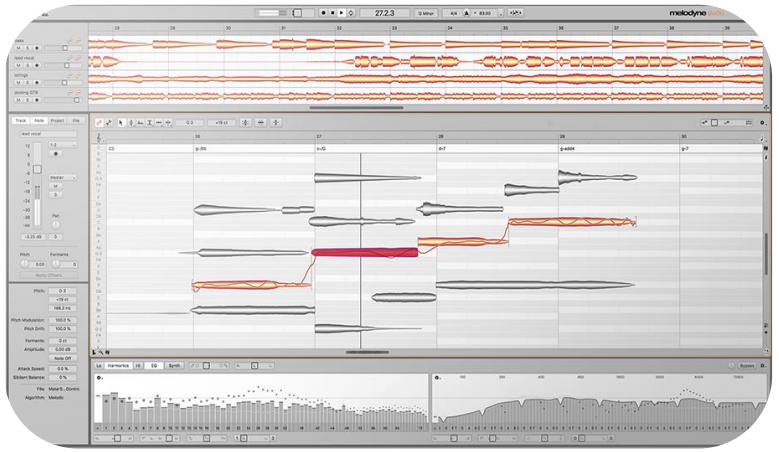

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iZotope Nectar

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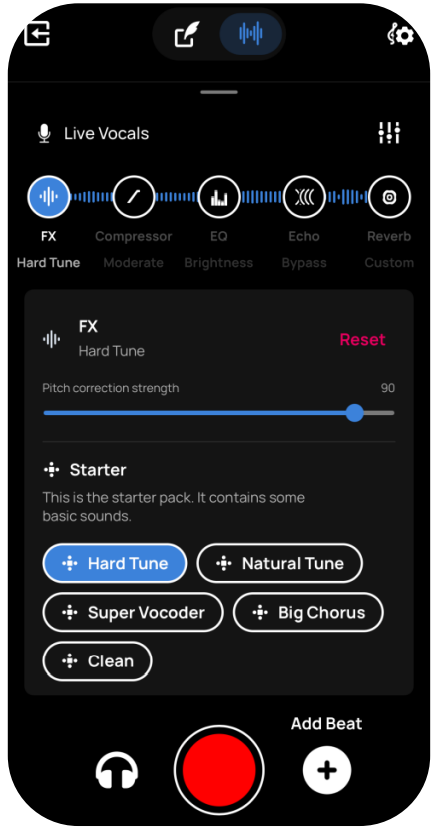
Voloco



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F0 Estimation Models

- **pYIN** (de Cheveigné et al., 2002)
  - `librosa.pyin`
- **CREPE** (Kim et al., 2018)
  - github.com/marl/crepe
- **PESTO** (Riou et al., 2023)
  - github.com/SonyCSLParis/pesto

Alain de Cheveigné and Hideki Kawahara, "YIN, a fundamental frequency estimator for speech and music," *Journal of the Acoustical Society of America,* 111(4):1917-1930, 2002.
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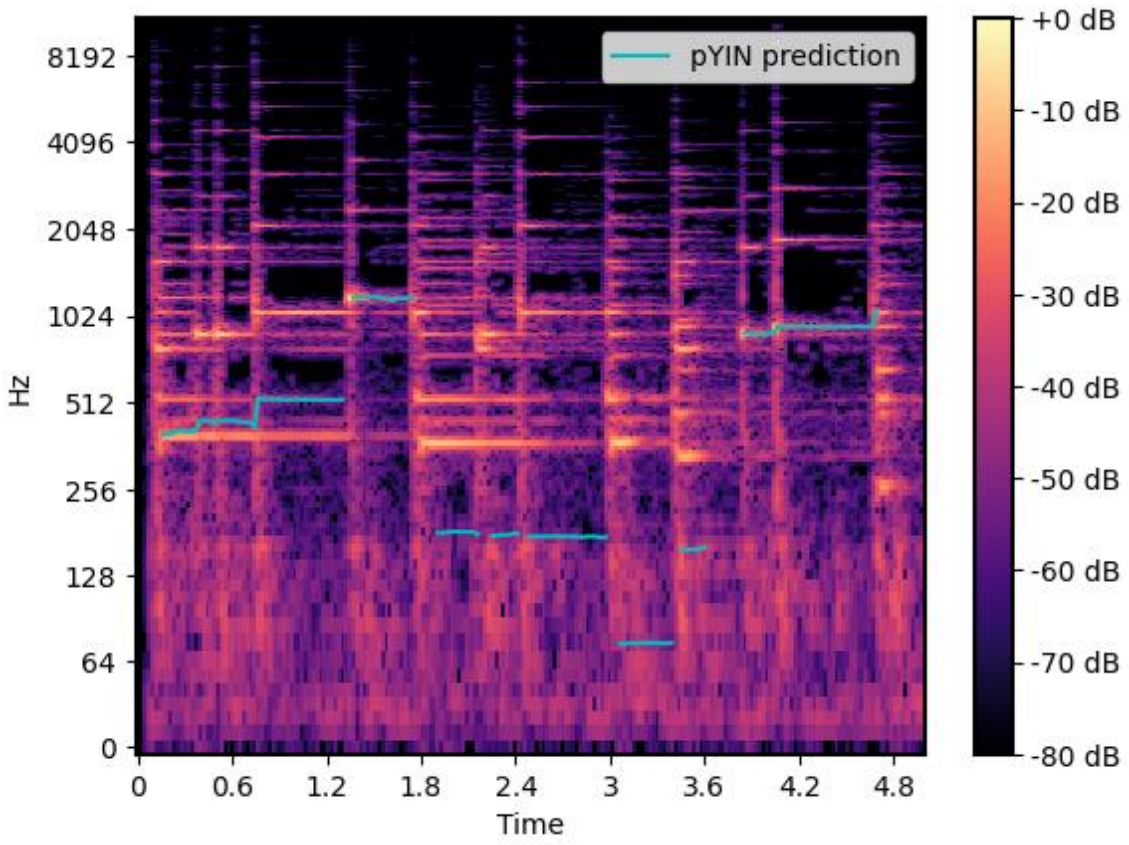
Polyphonic F0 Estimation



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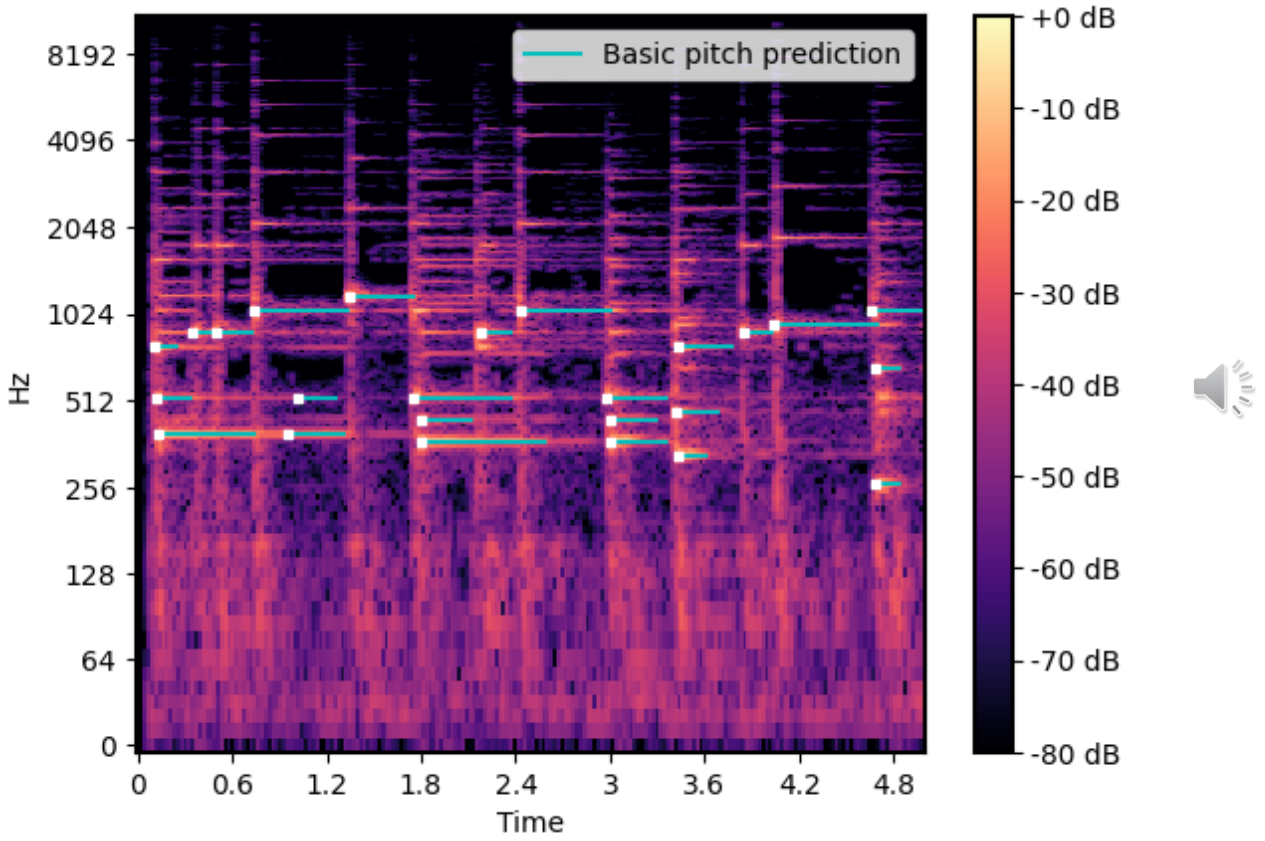

basicpitch.spotify.com

Polyphonic F0 Estimation Models

- **Deep Salience** (Bittner et al., 2017)
  - github.com/rabitt/ismir2017-deepsalience
- **Onset and Frames** (Hawthorne et al., 2018)
  - Piano only
  - github.com/jongwook/onsets-and-frames
- **Basic Pitch** (Bittner et al., 2022)
  - github.com/spotify/basic-pitch
  - basicpitch.spotify.com

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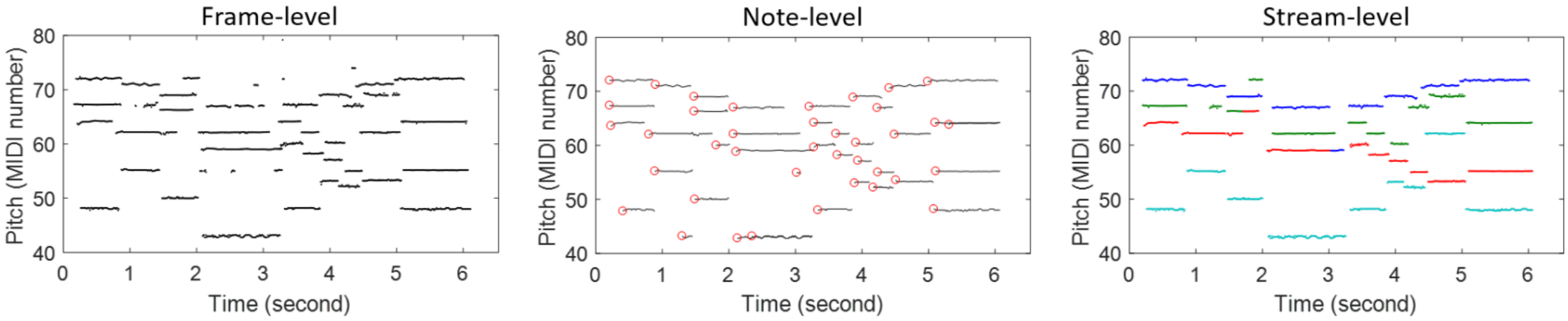
F0 Estimation vs Music Transcription



(Source: Benetos et al., 2019)

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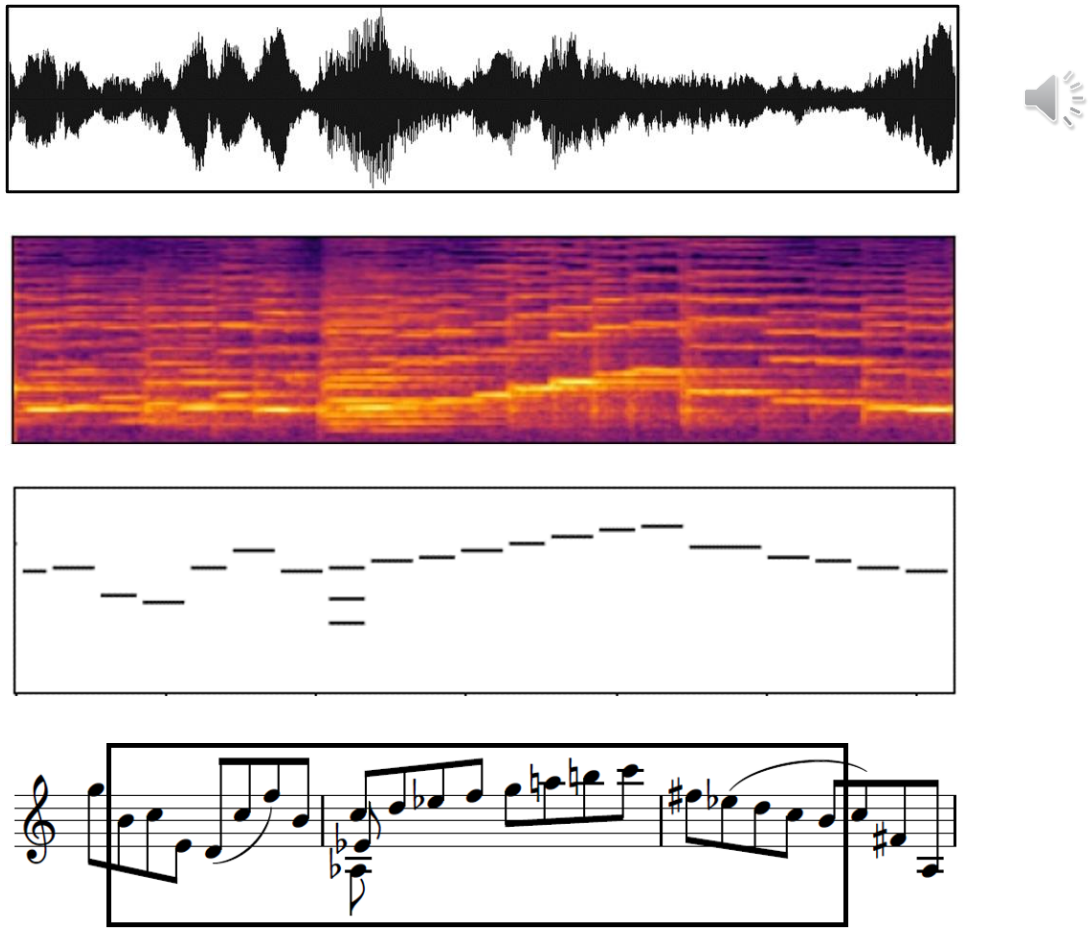
Music Transcription



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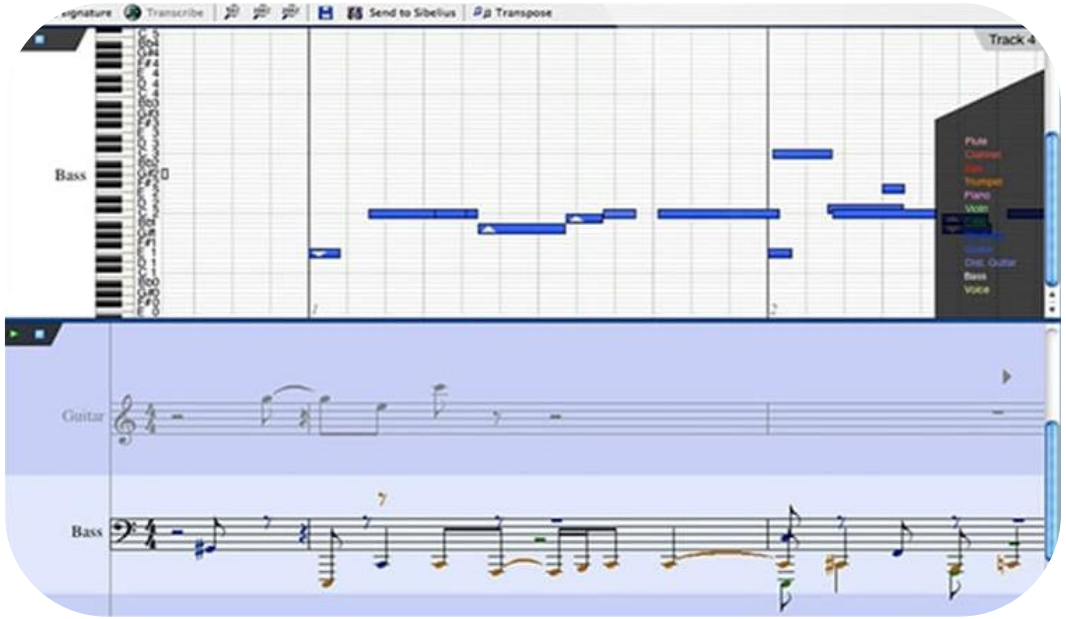
Commercial Music Transcription Software

AudioScore in Sibelius



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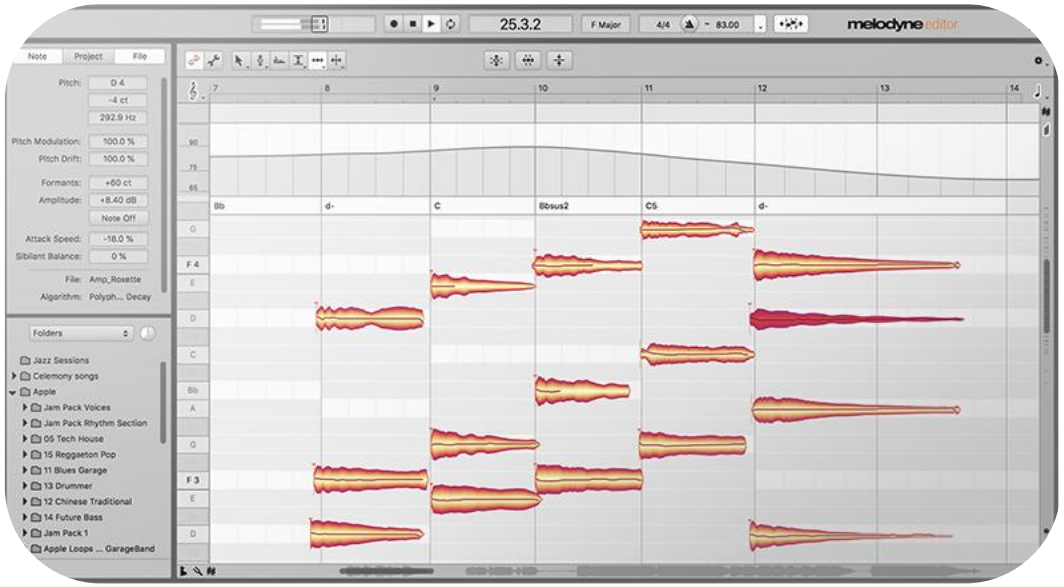

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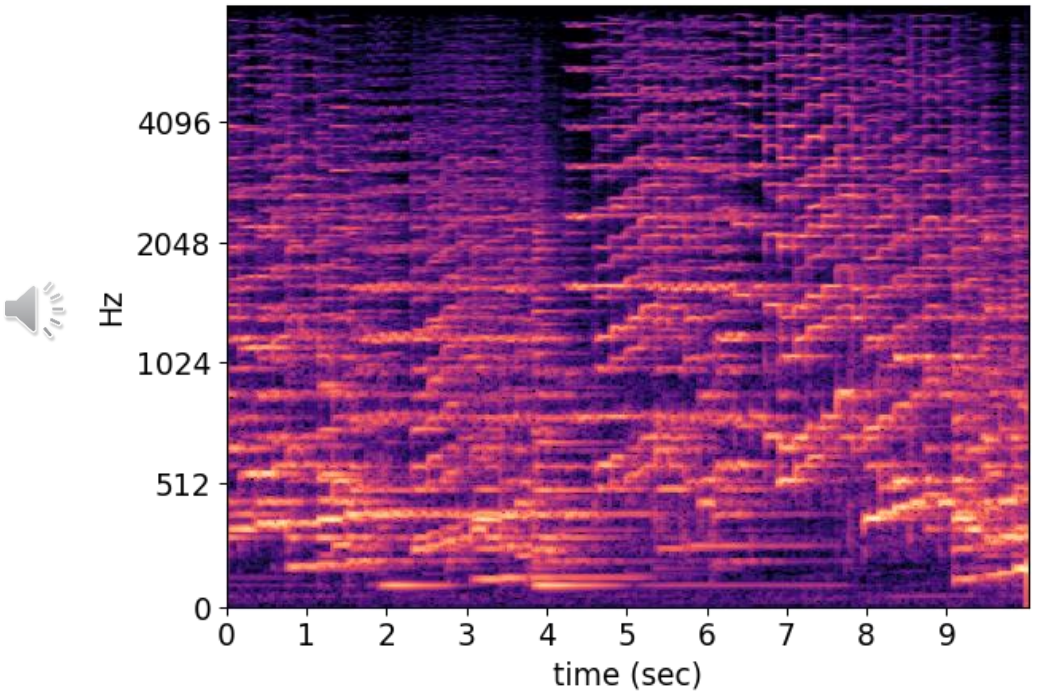
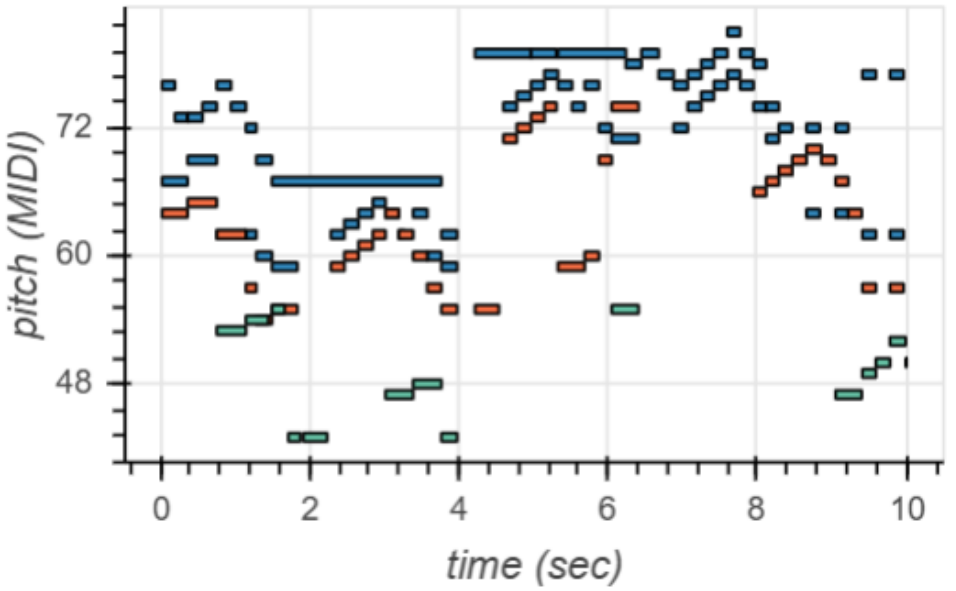
Multitrack Transcription Models

- **MT3** (Gardner et al., 2022)
  - github.com/magenta/mt3





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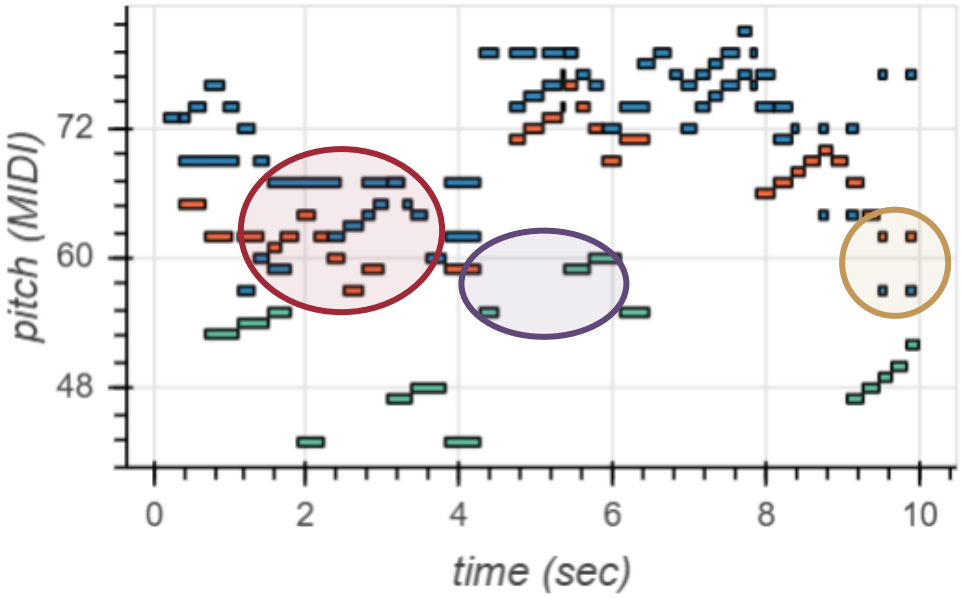

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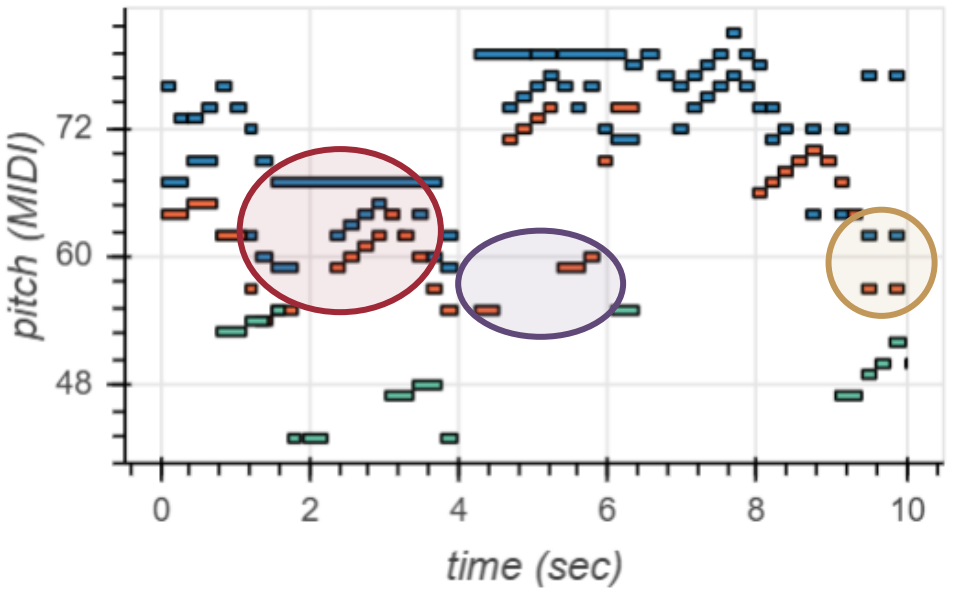

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Resources

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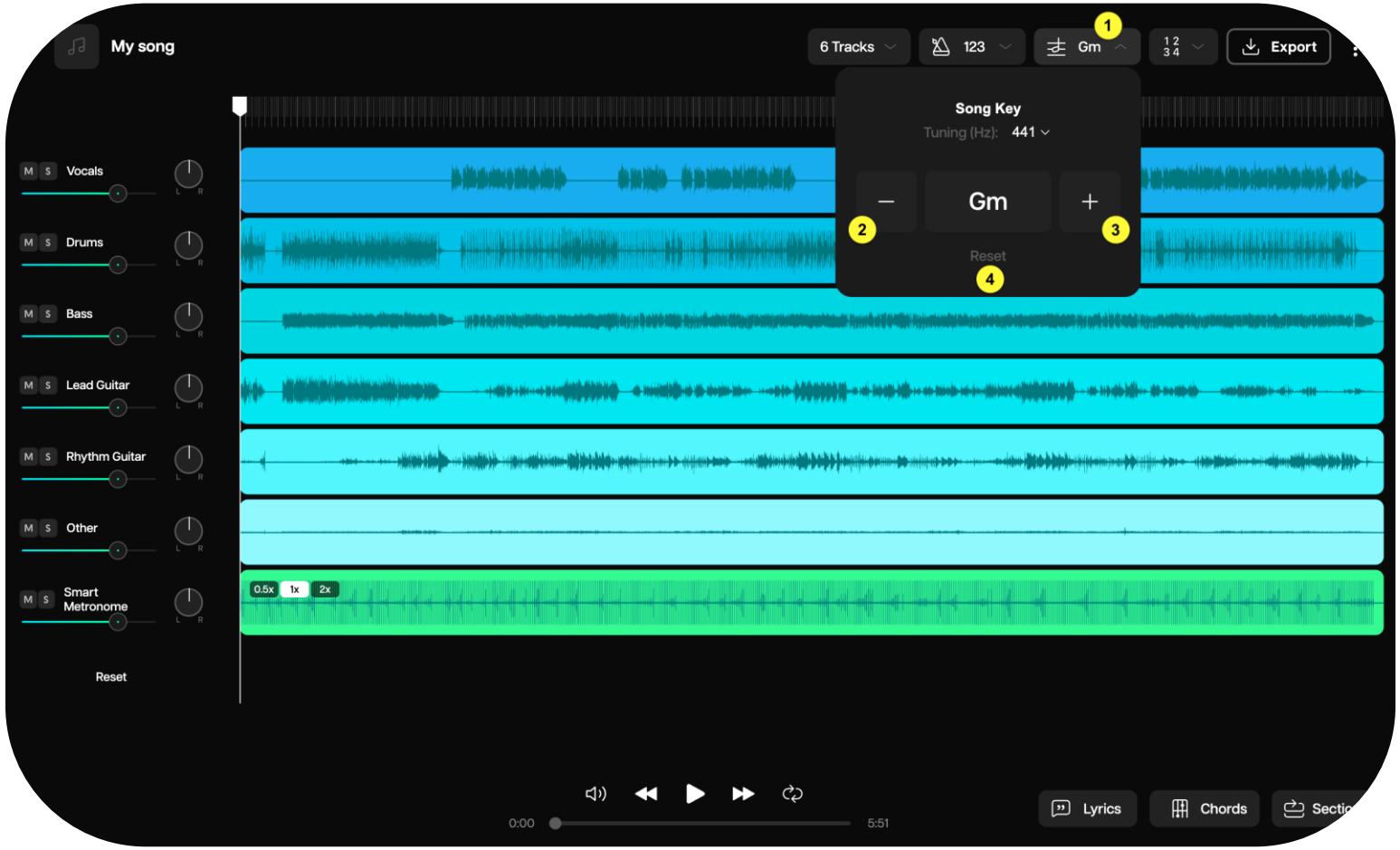
  - Part 1: Transcription with NMF (Ethan Manilow)
  - Part 2: Pitch Tracking with pytorch (Rachel Bittner)
  - Part 3: Instrument Classification with OpenL3 & Tensorflow (Mark Cartwright)
- Rachel Bittner, Alain de Cheveigné, and Johana Devaney, “Fundamental Frequency Estimation in Music,” *Tutorials of ISMIR*, 2018.
  - Part 1: Pitch (Alain de Cheveigné)
  - Part 2: Polyphonic fundamental frequency estimation (Rachel Bittner)
  - Part 3: Applications (Johana Devaney)

Harmony Analysis

Key Detection in Moises



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Chord Detection

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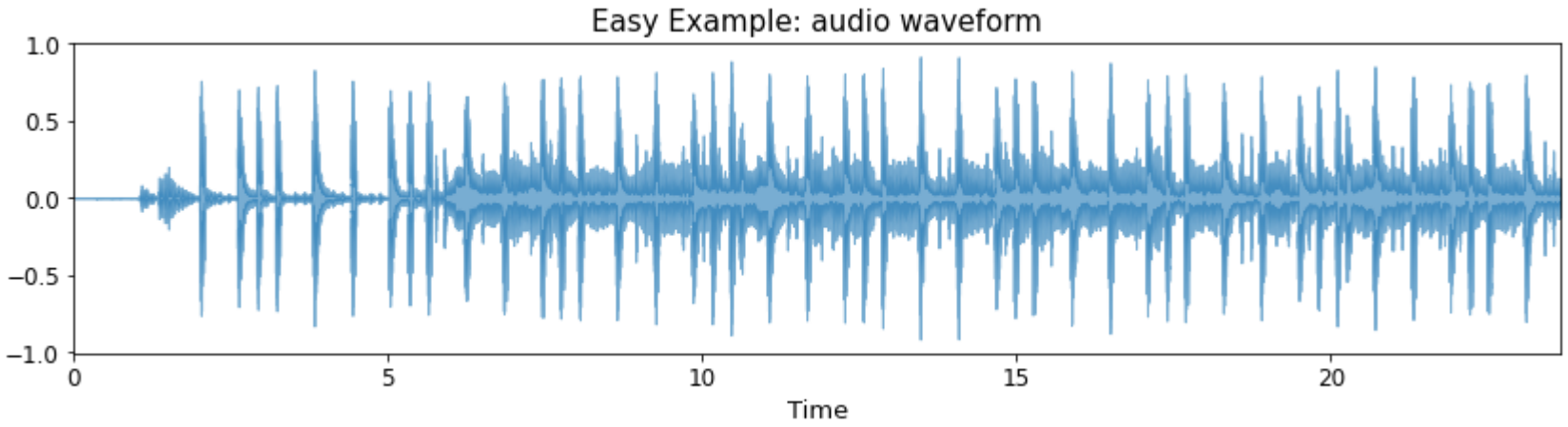
Rhythm Analysis

Beat & Downbeat Estimation



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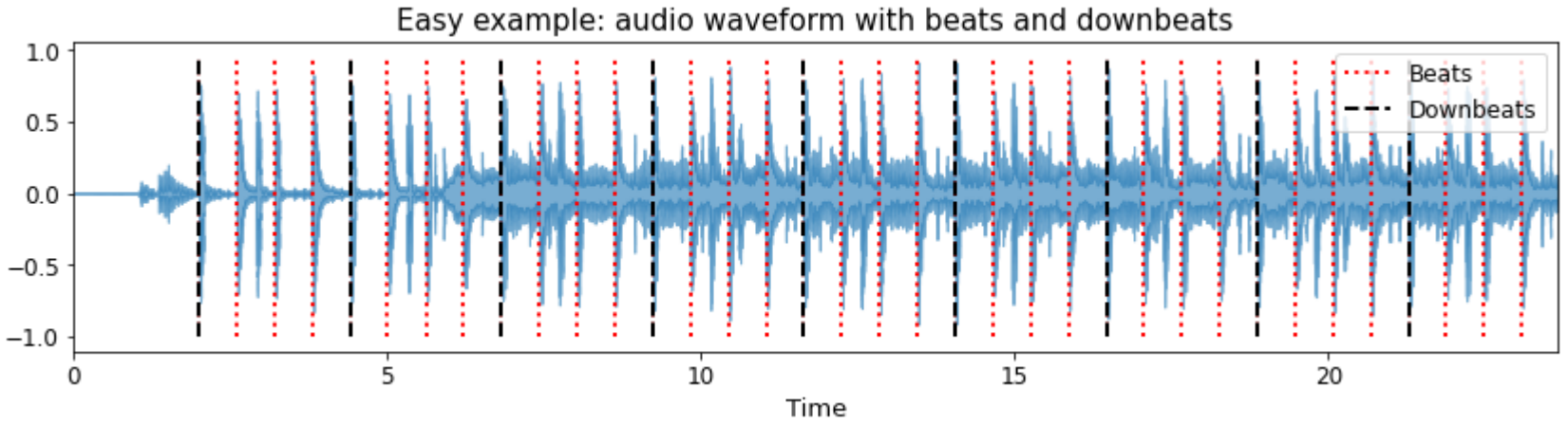

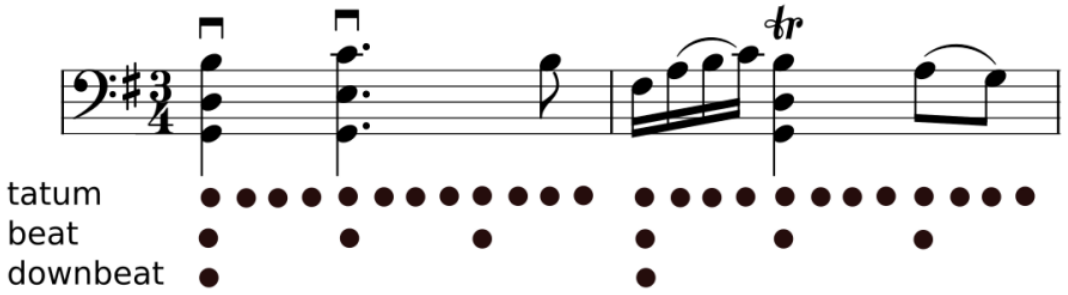

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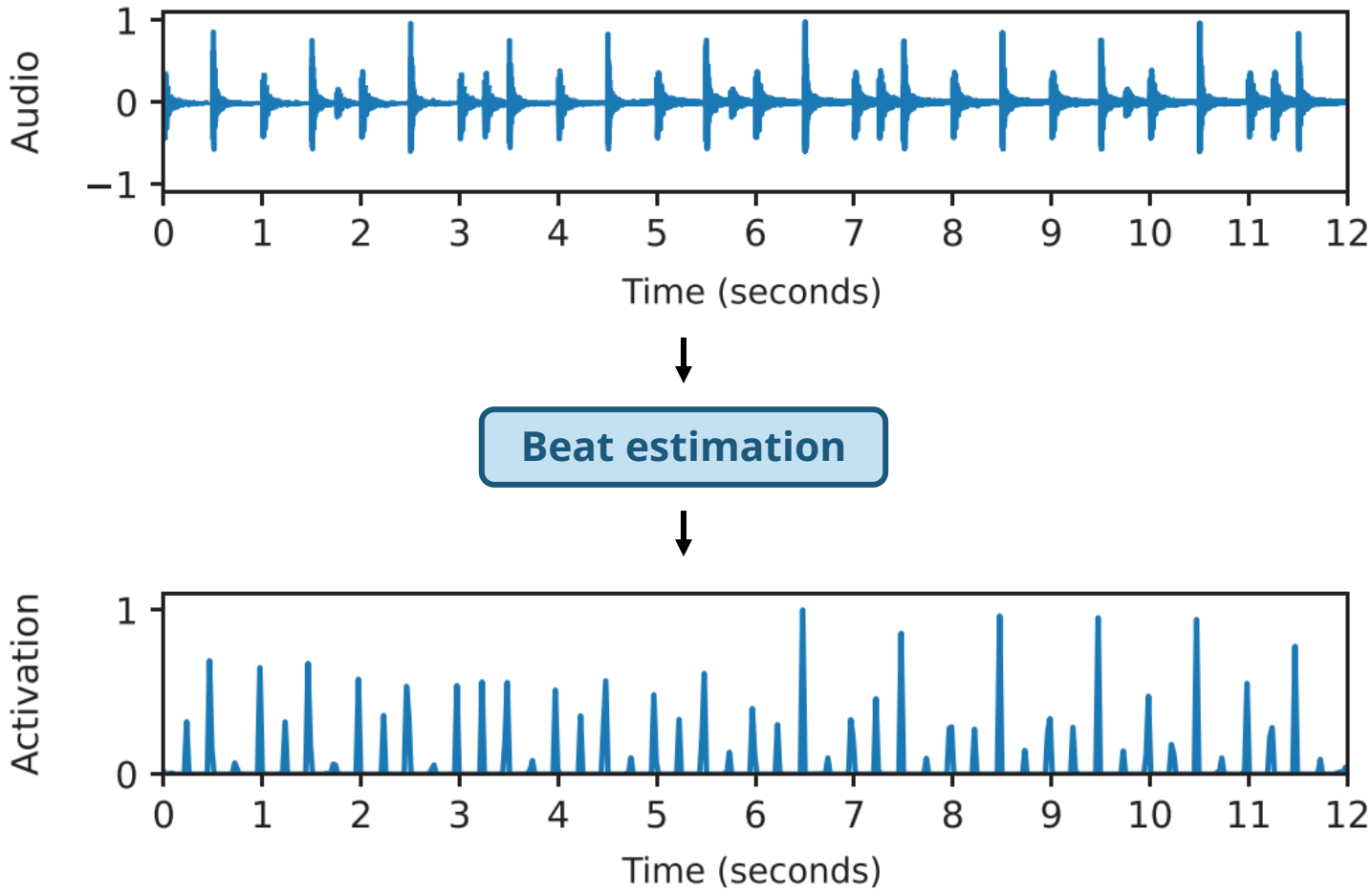

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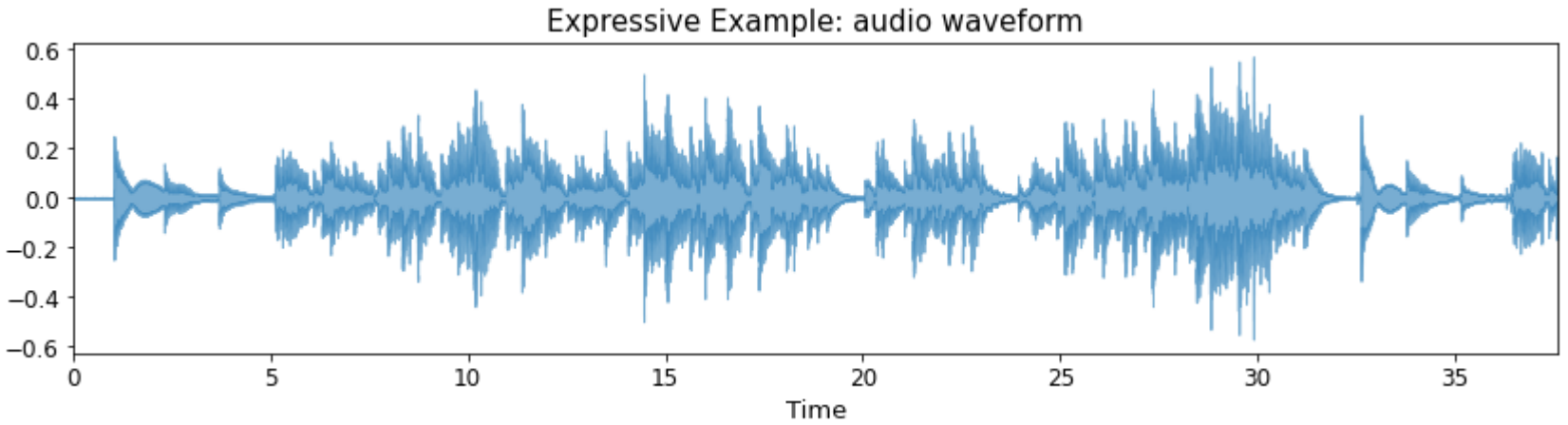

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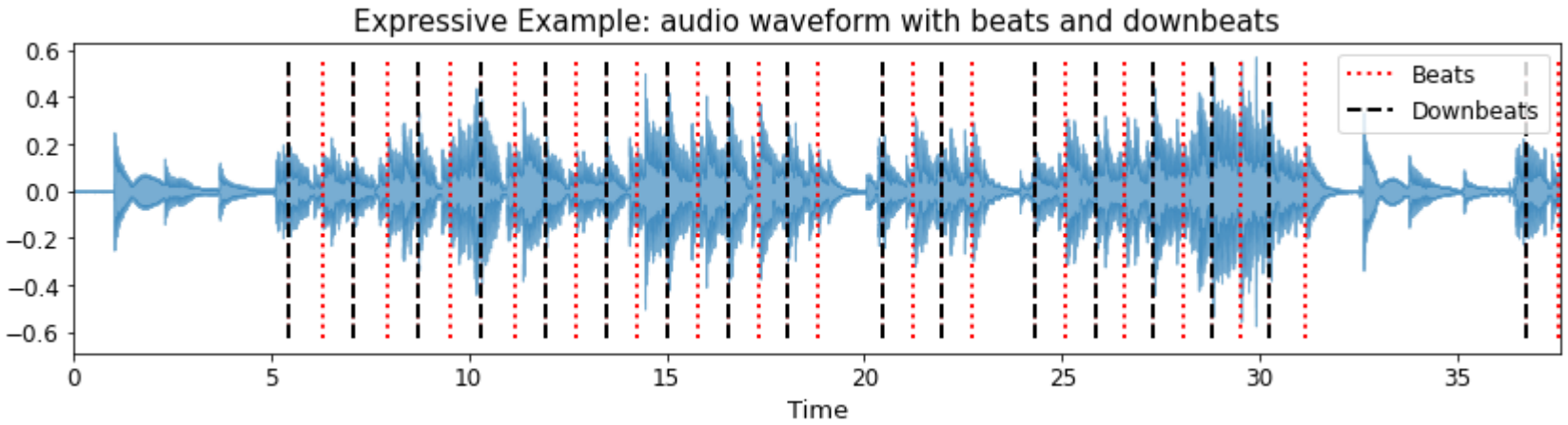

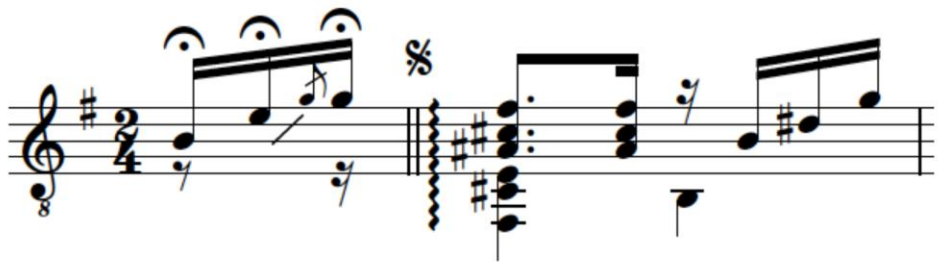

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Beat Tracking in Pro Tools & Logic Pro

Beat Detective in Pro Tools

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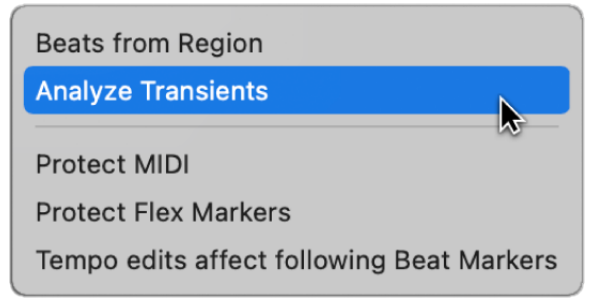
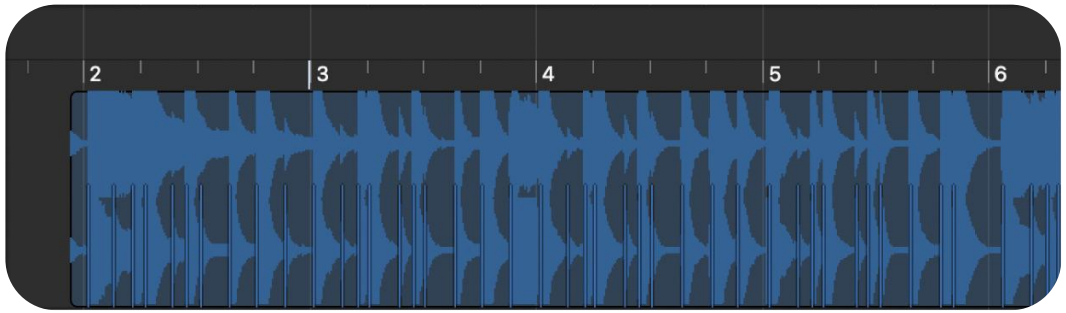
Beat Mapping in Logic Pro





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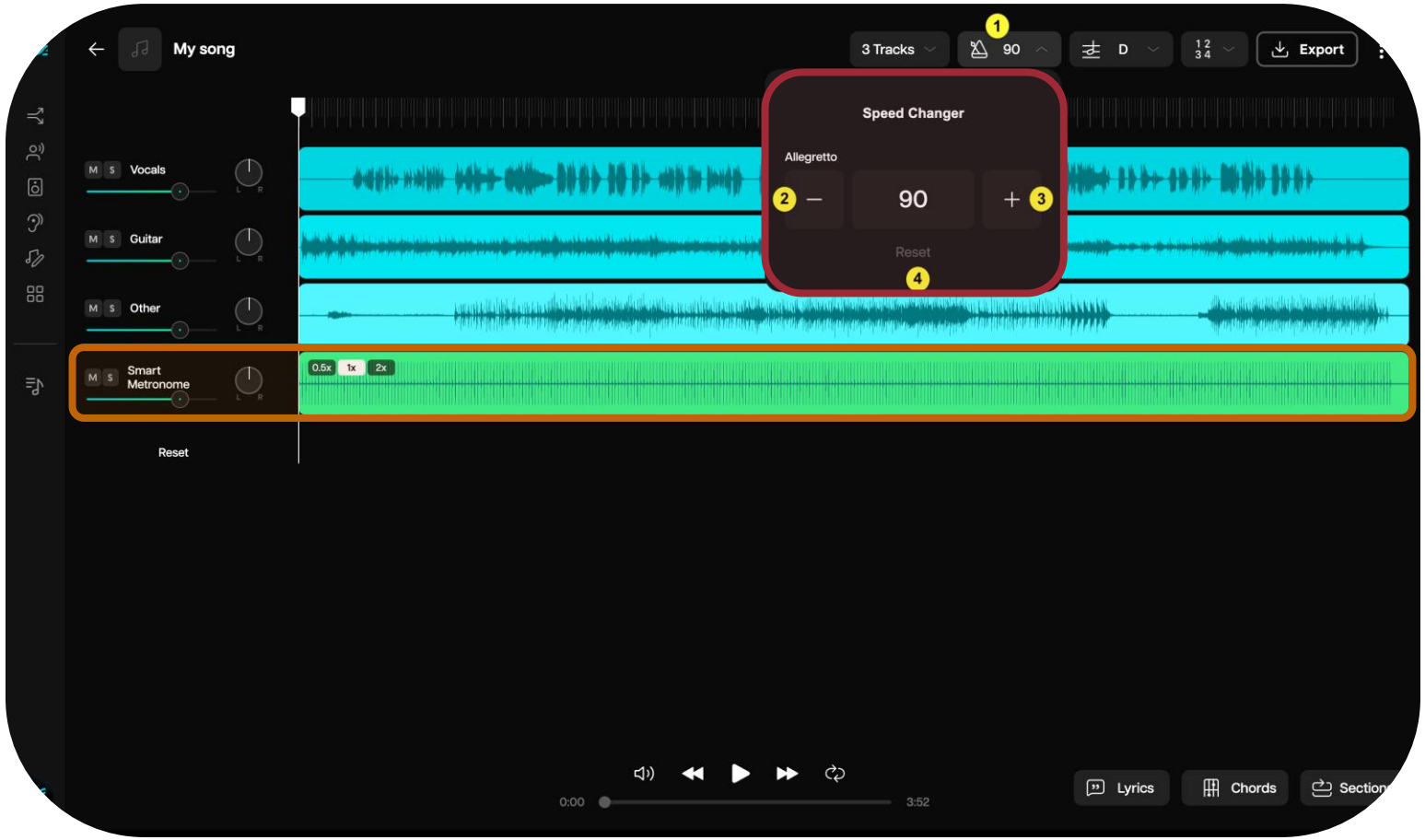
Tempo Estimation & Beat Tracking in Moises

Tempo estimation



Beat tracking

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Structure Analysis

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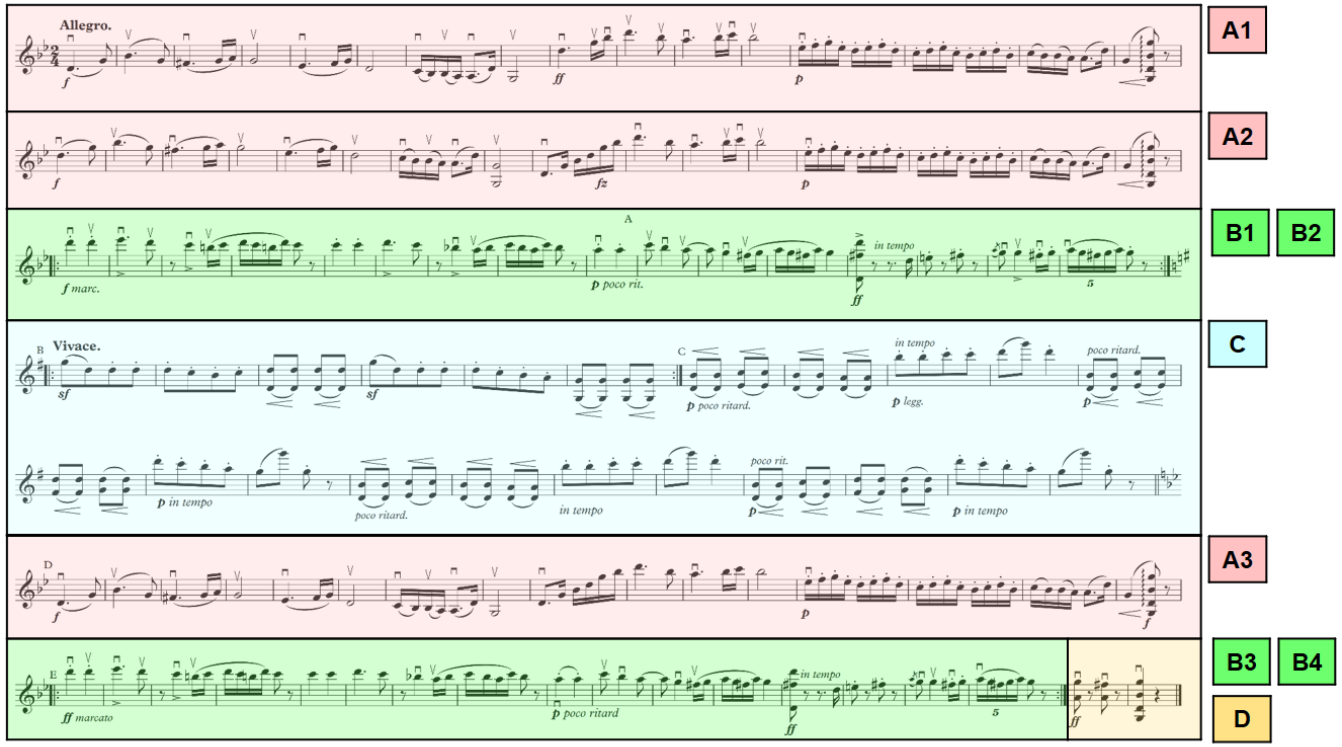
Music segmentation



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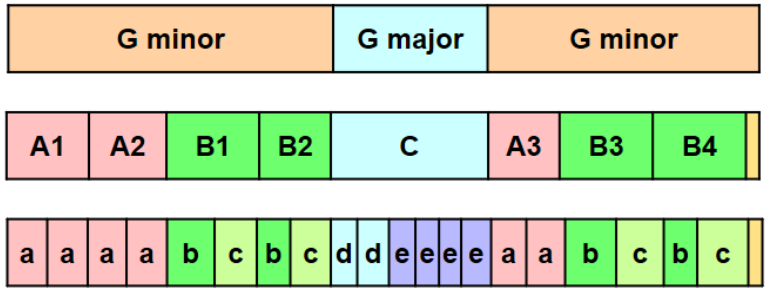
Hierarchical music segmentation



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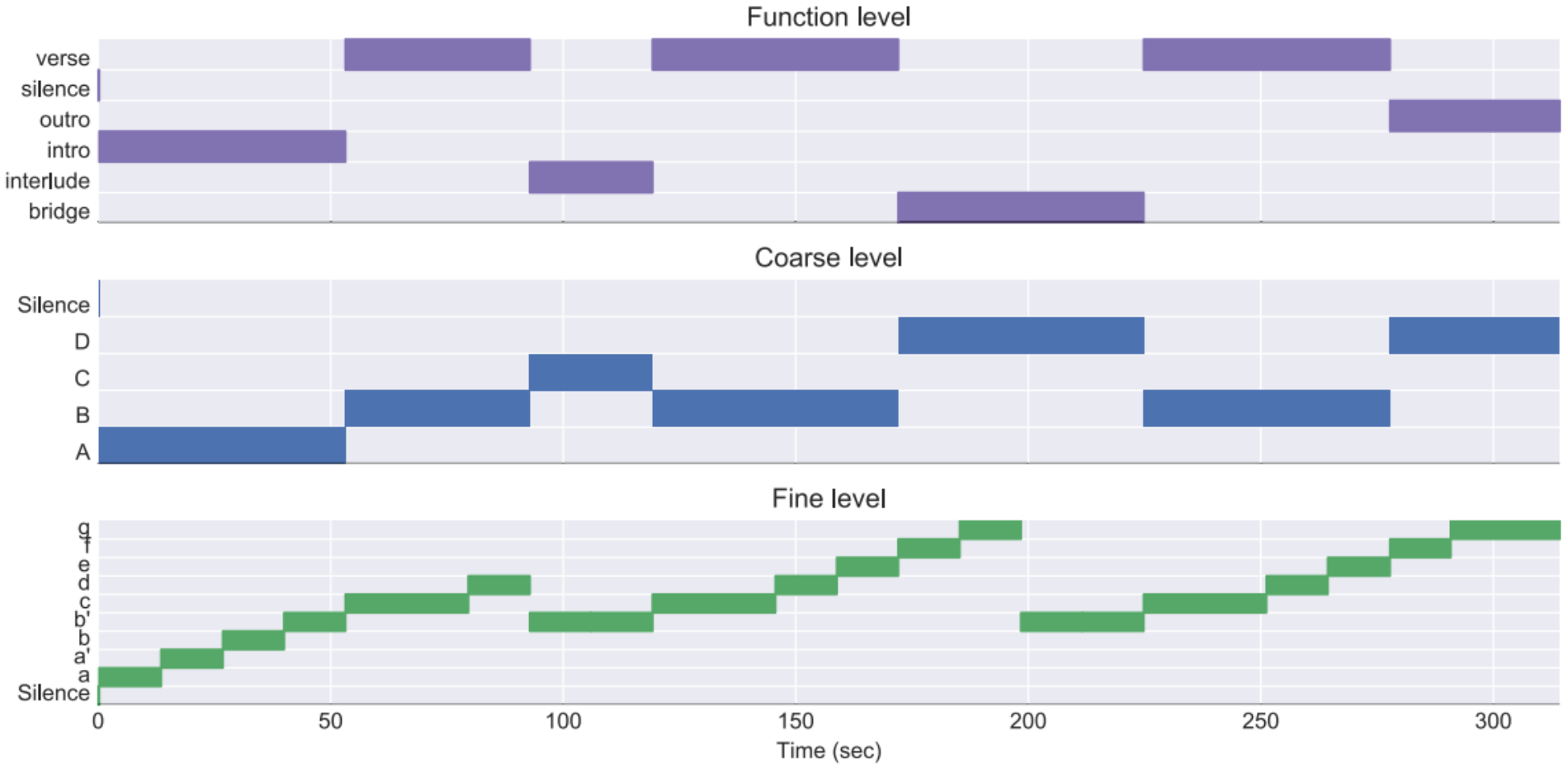

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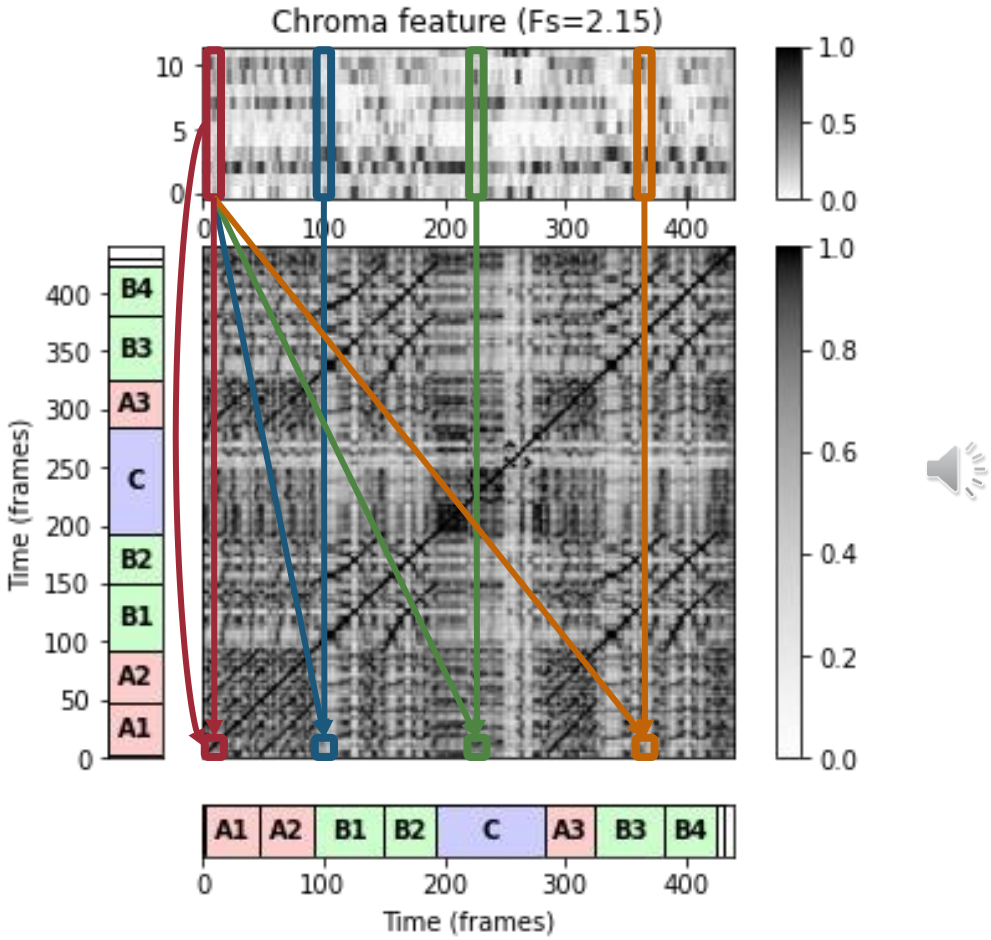
Self-Similarity Matrices (SSMs)



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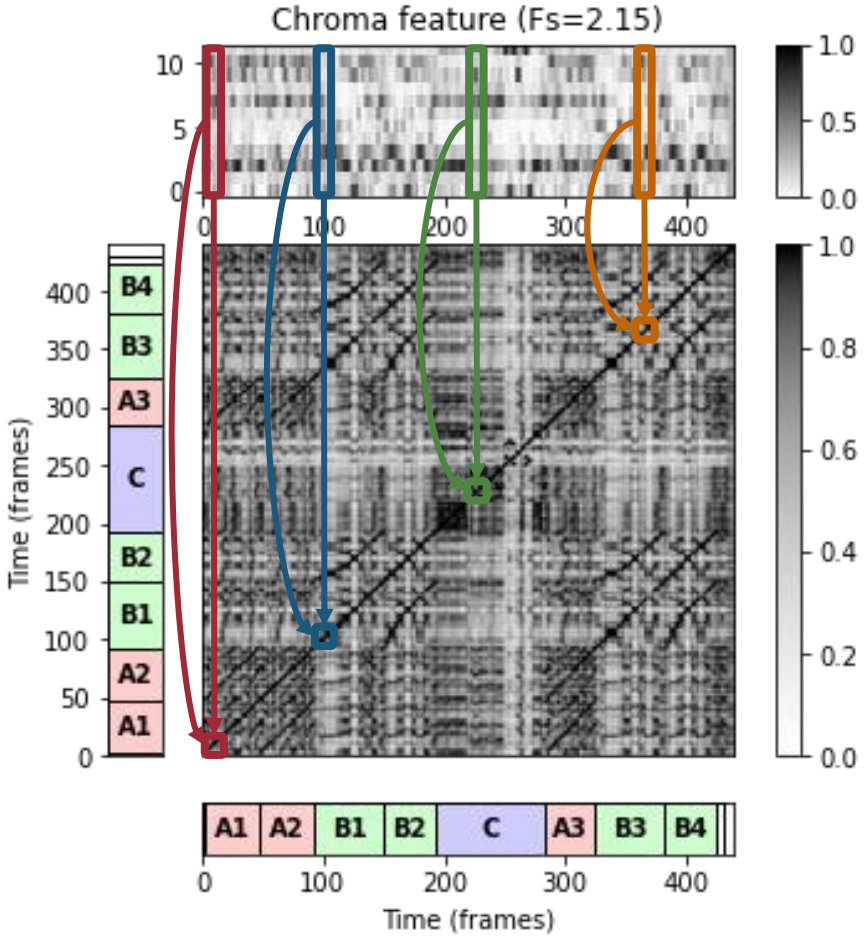

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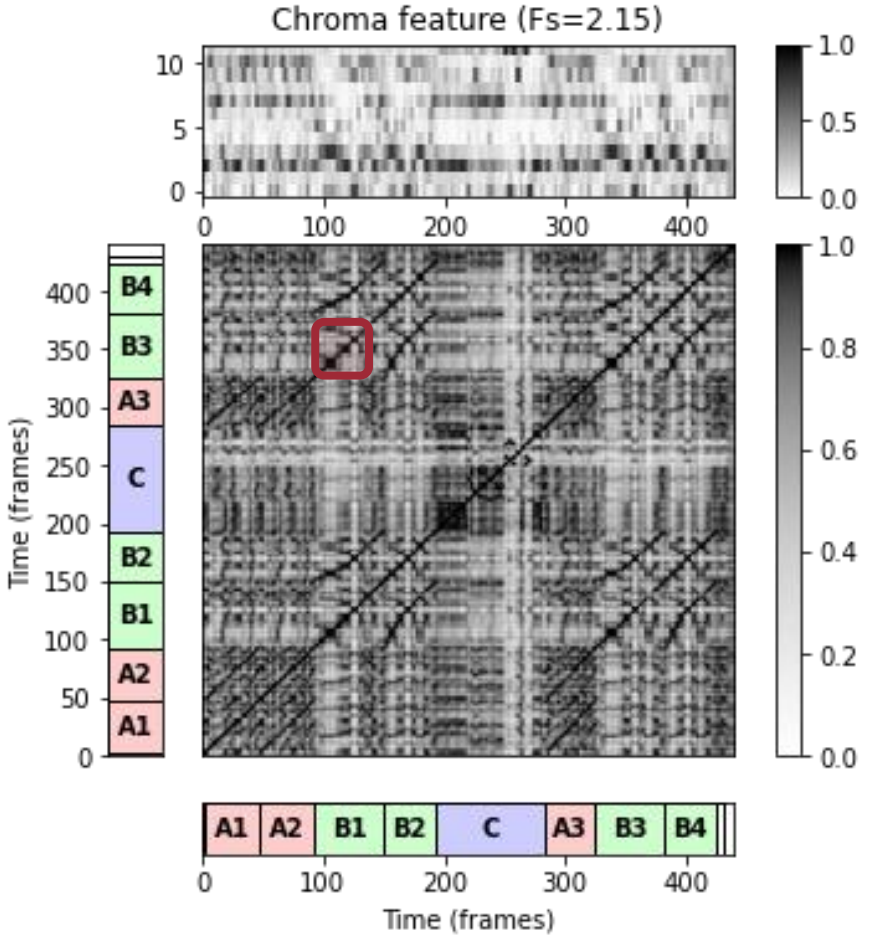

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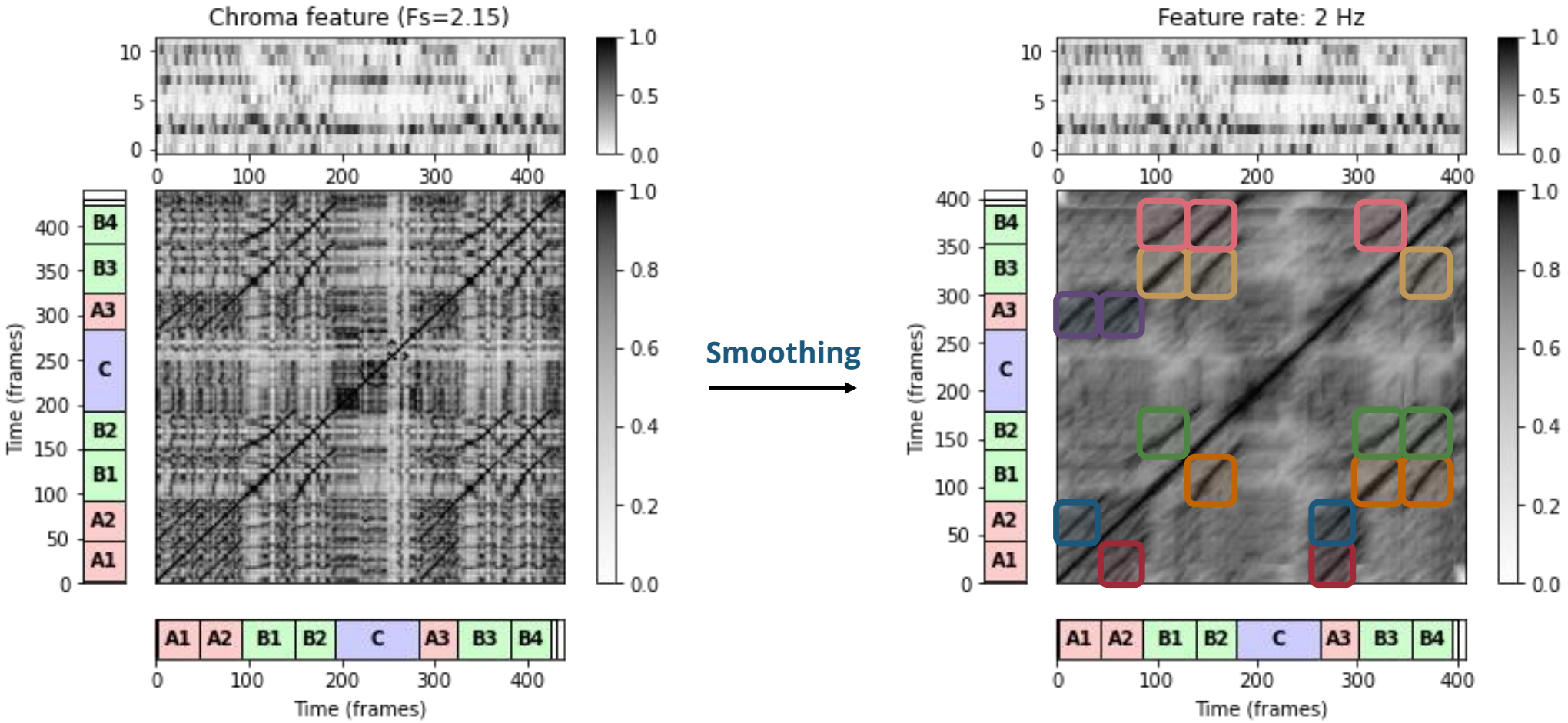

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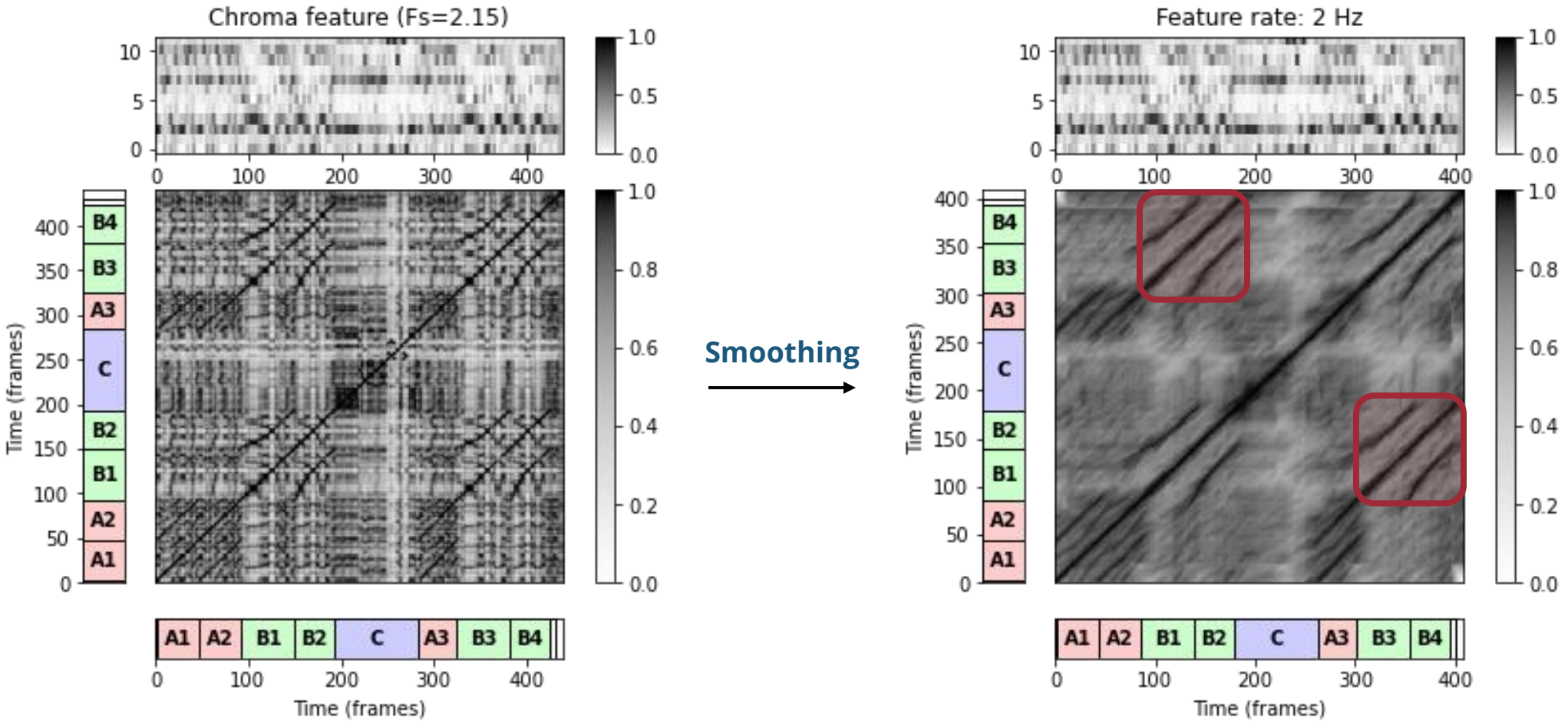

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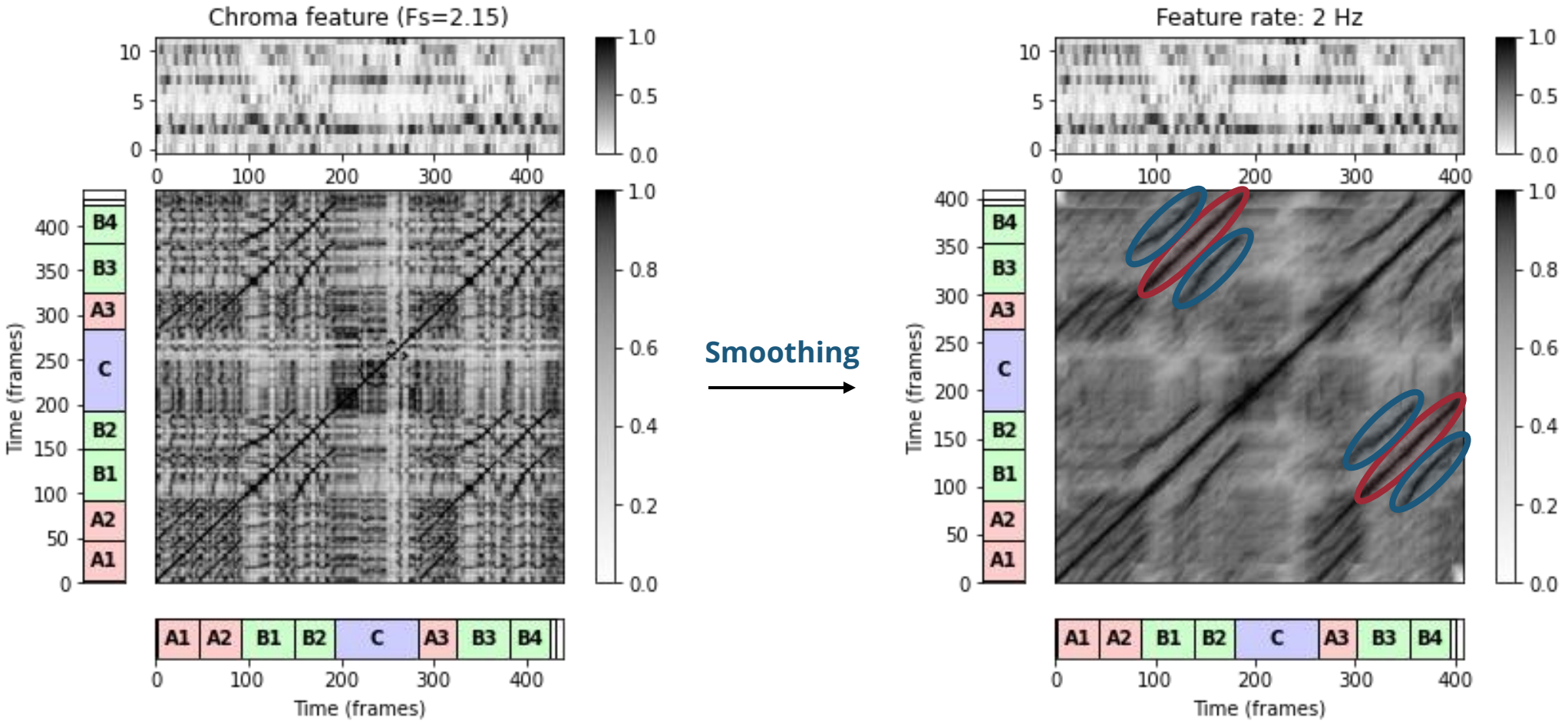

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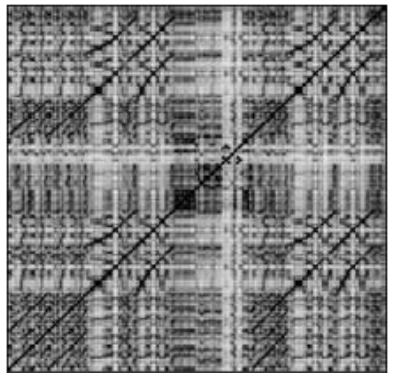

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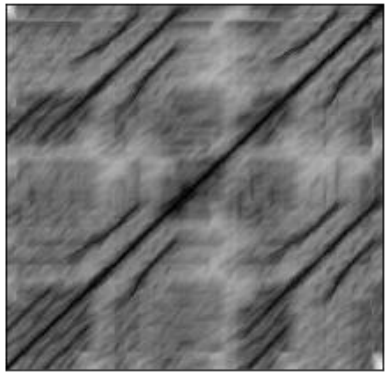

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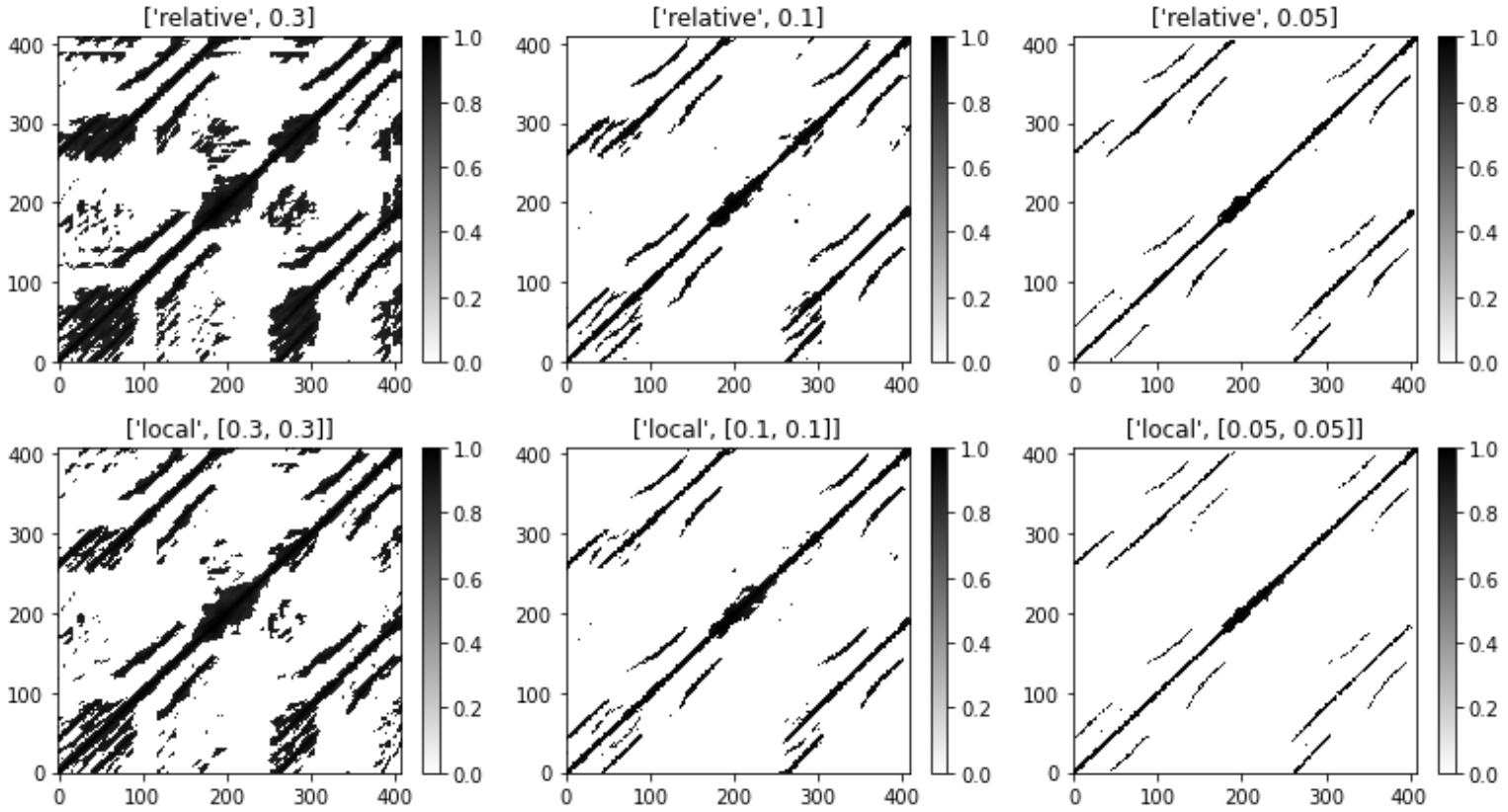

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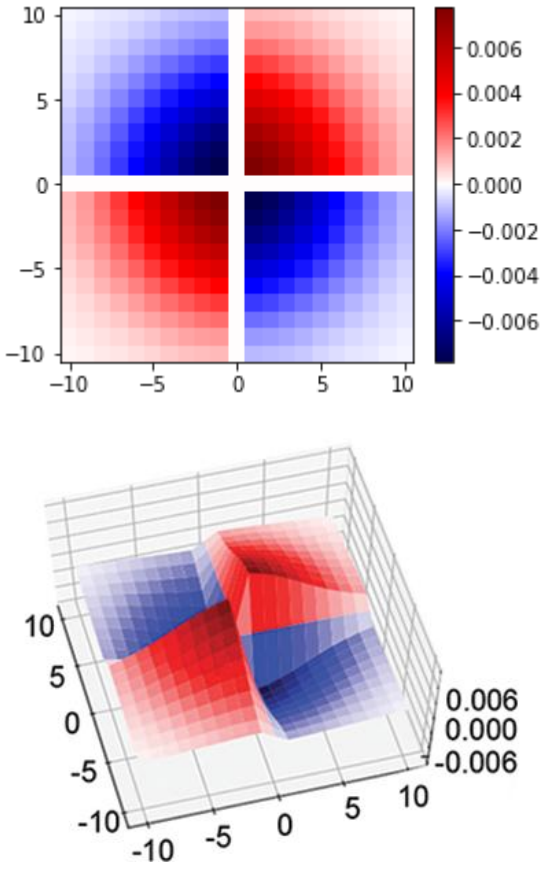

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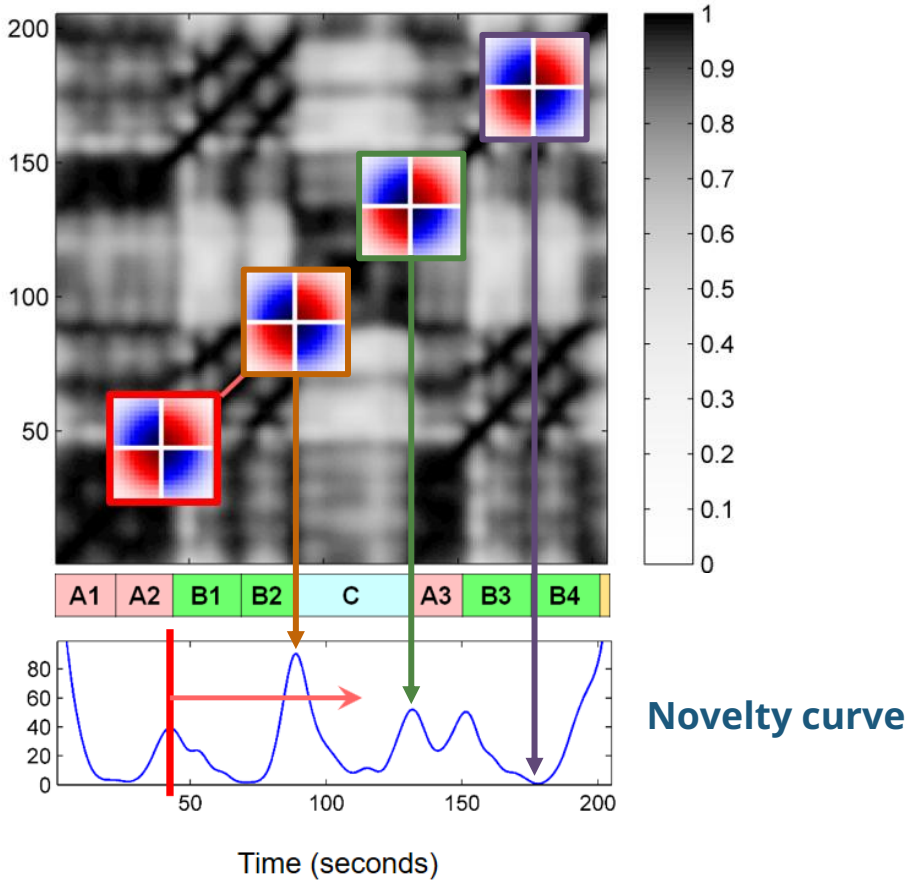

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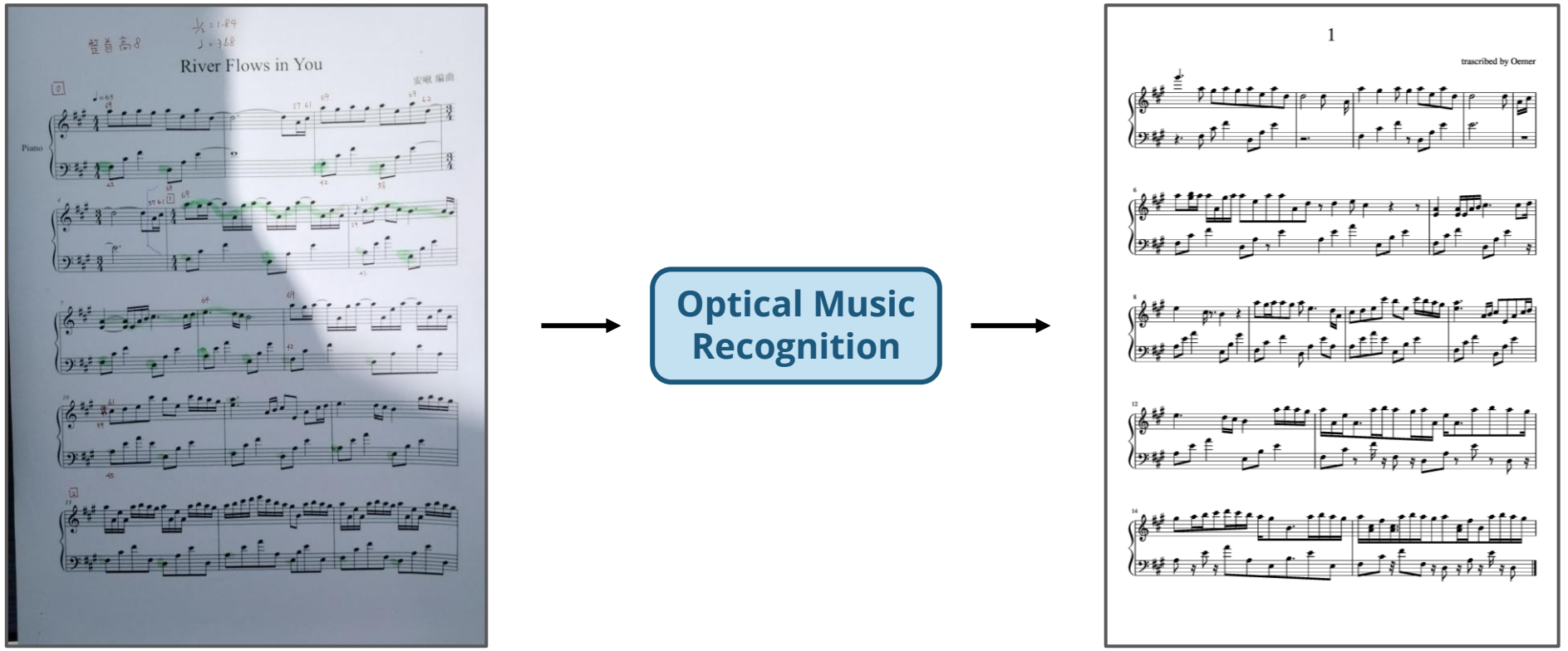

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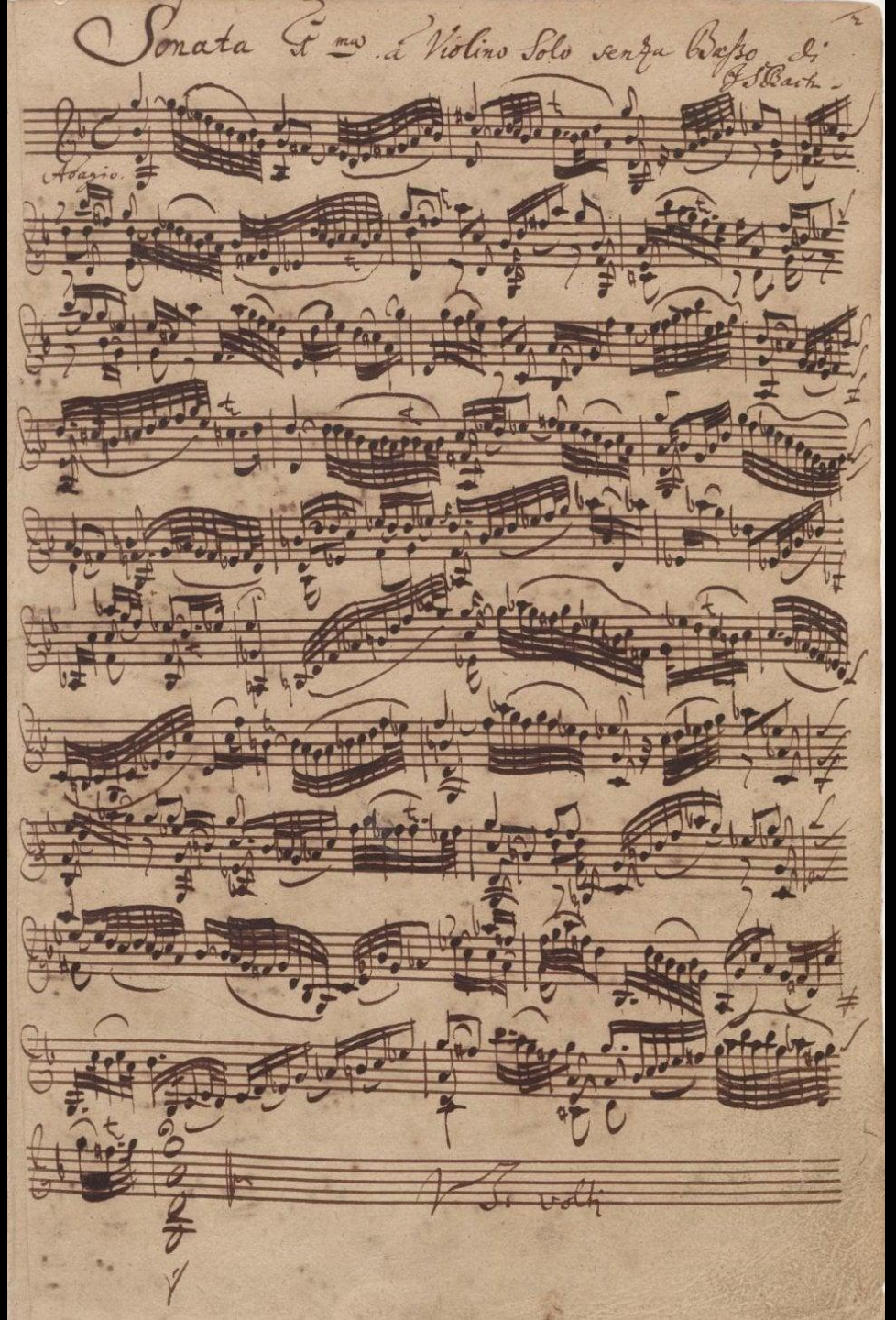

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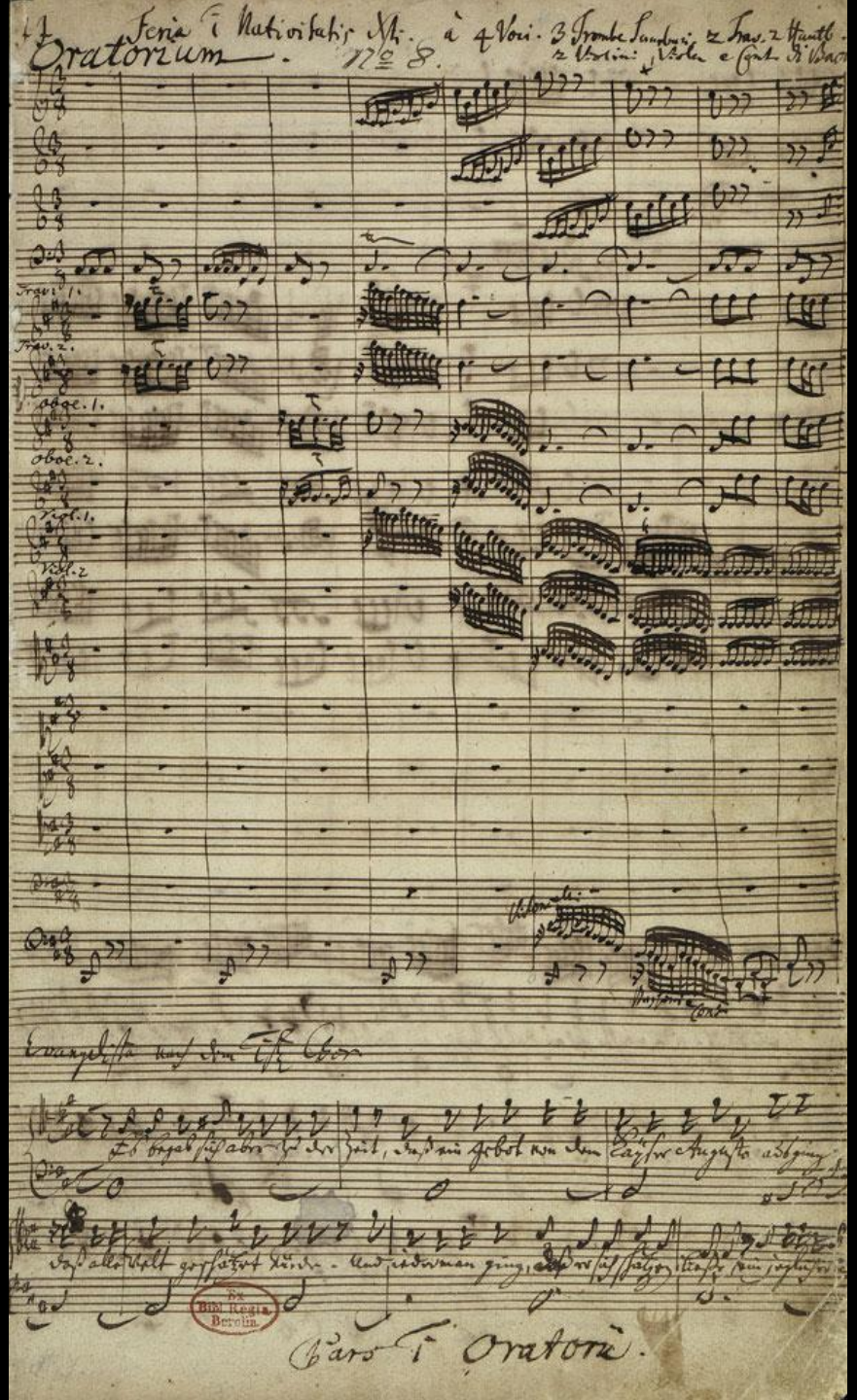

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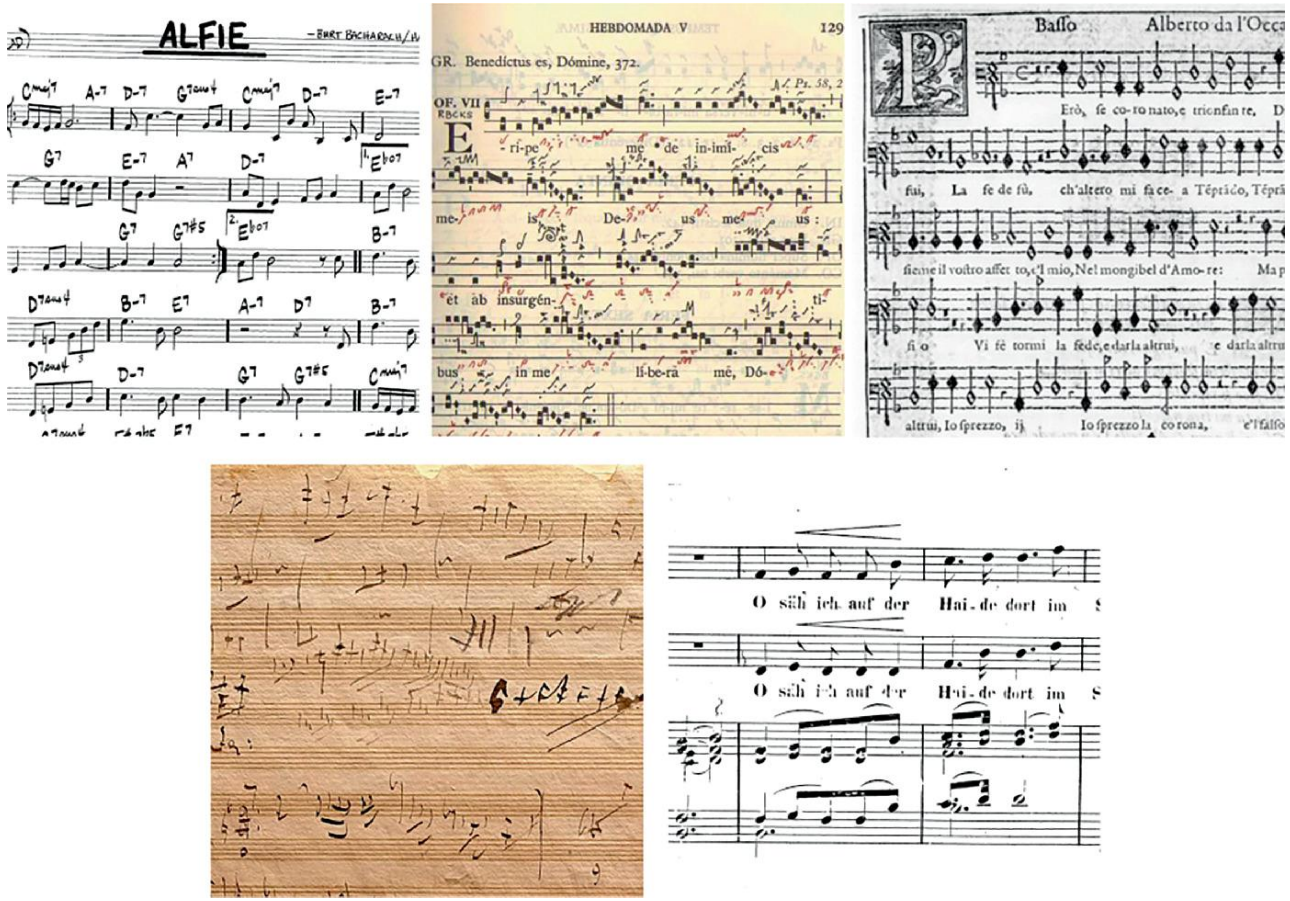

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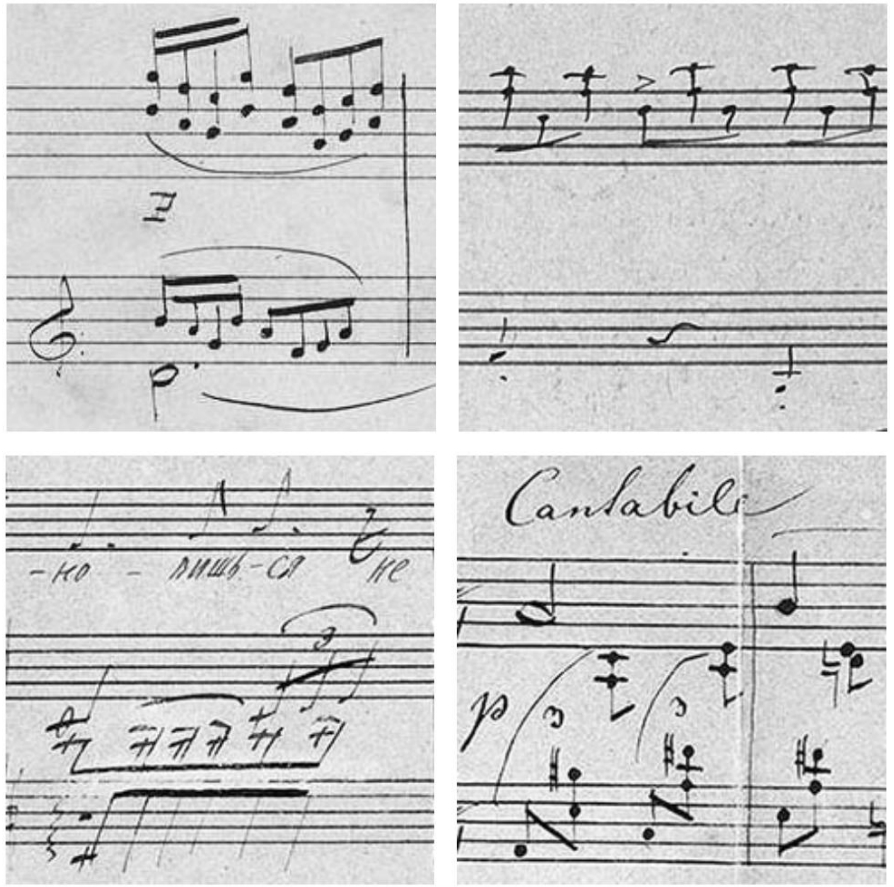

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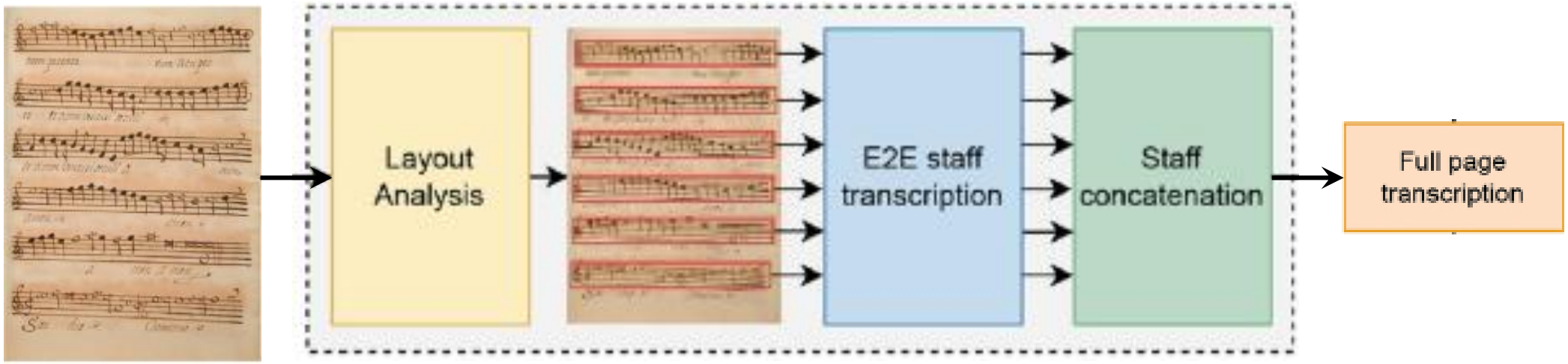

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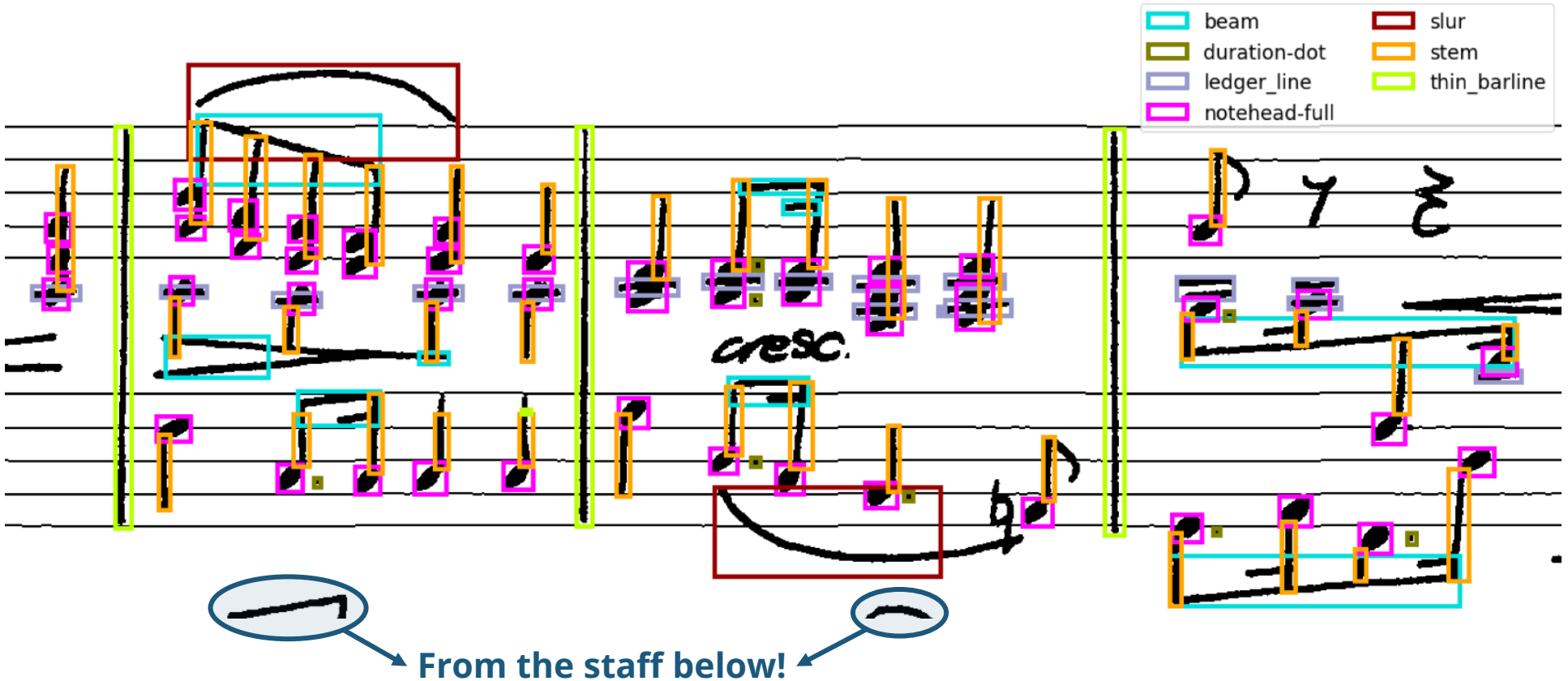

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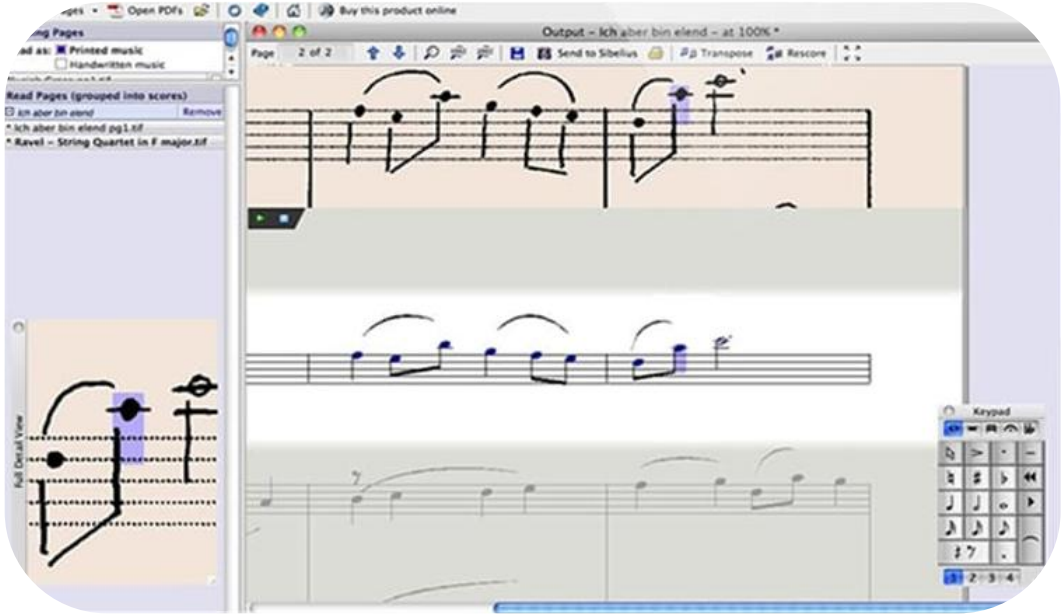

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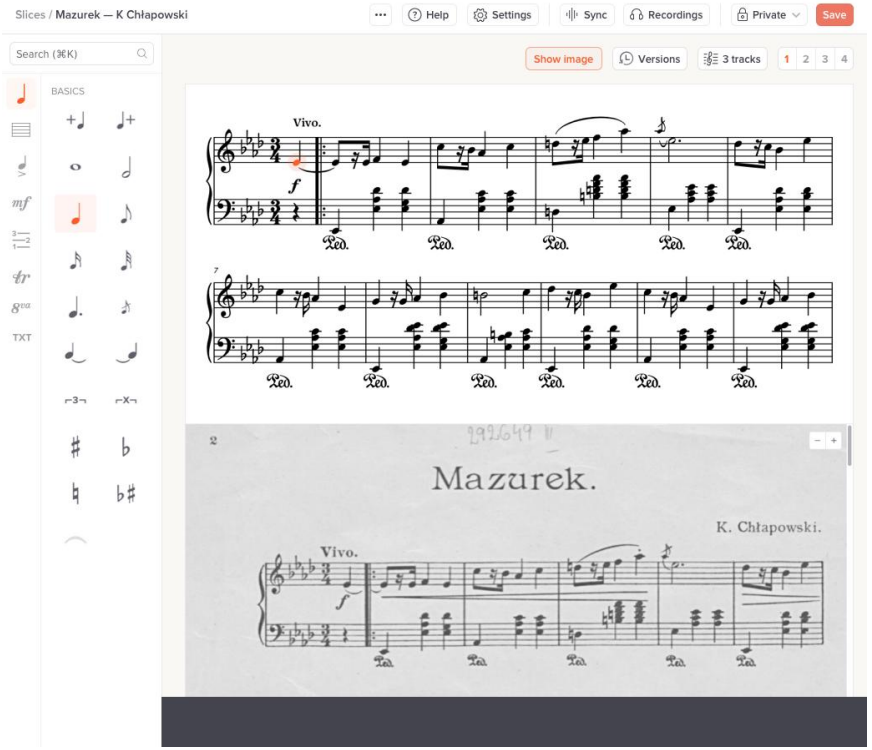

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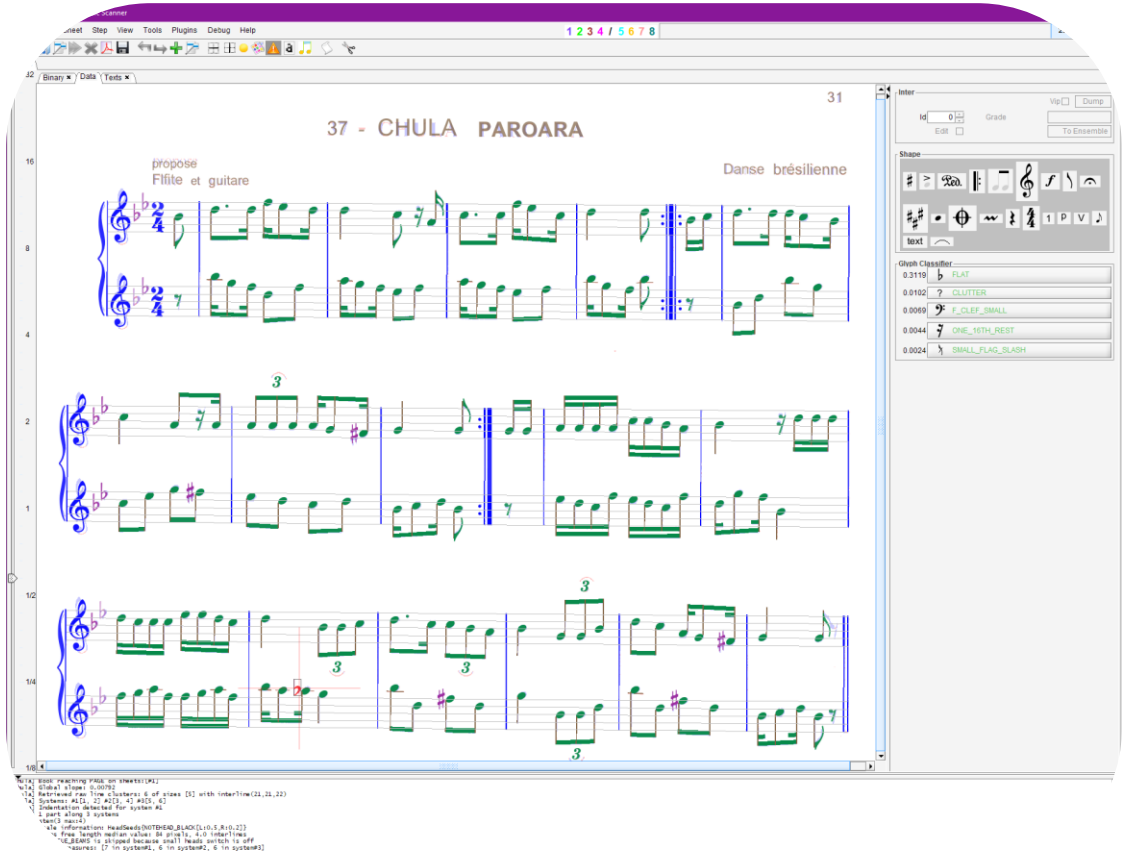

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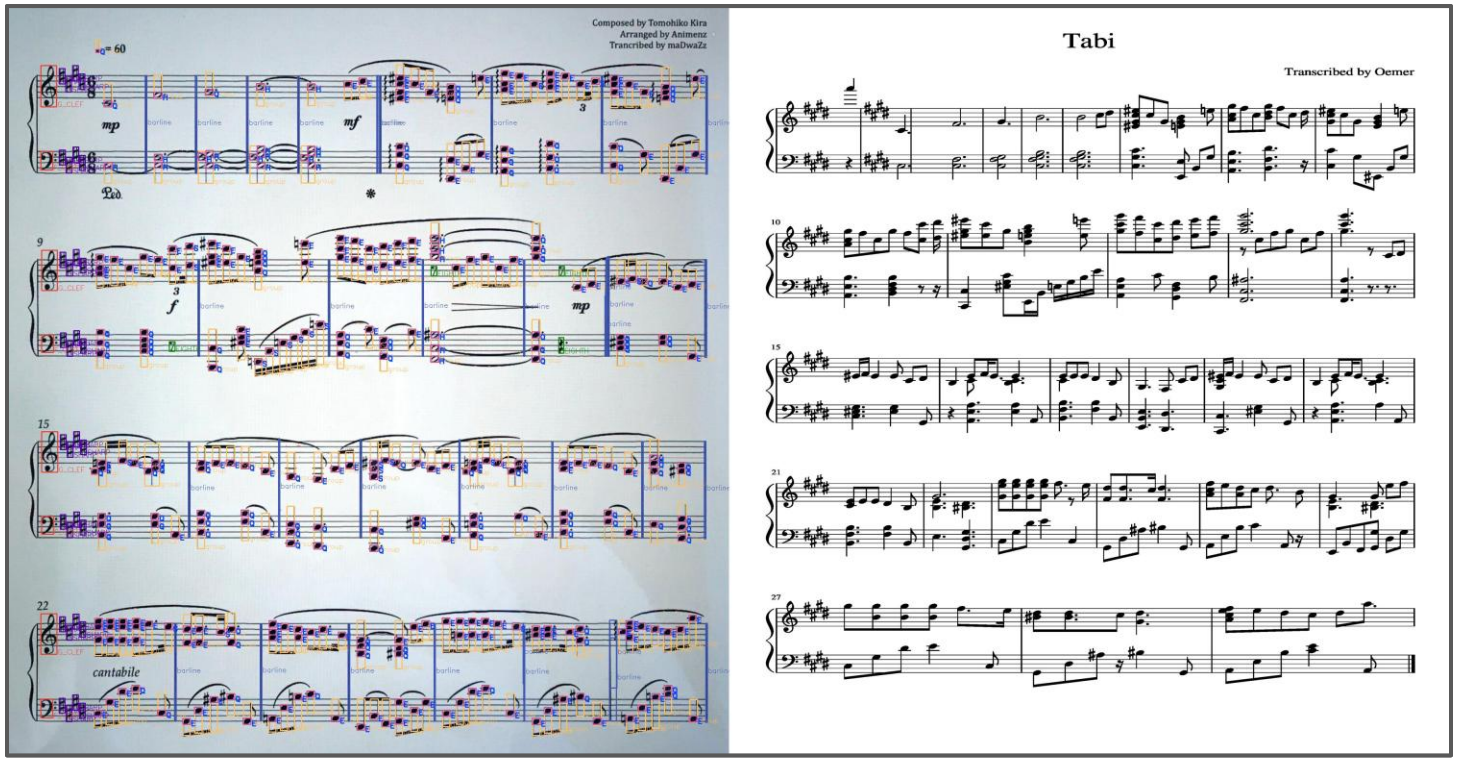

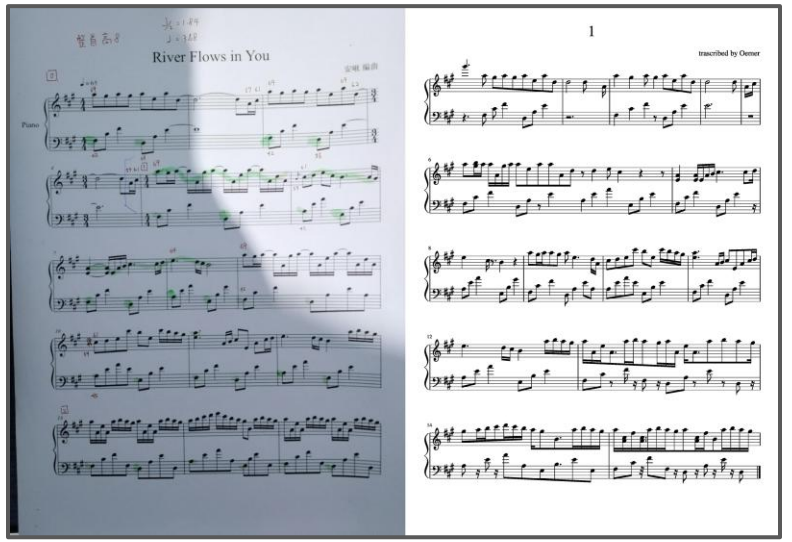

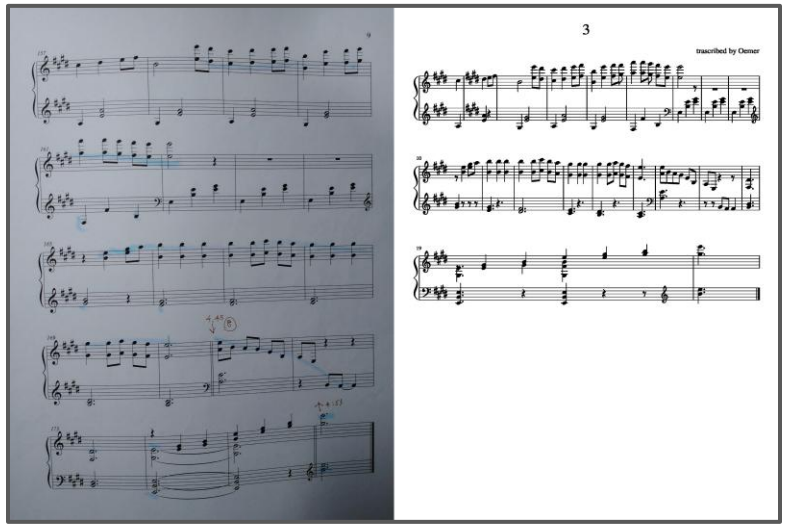

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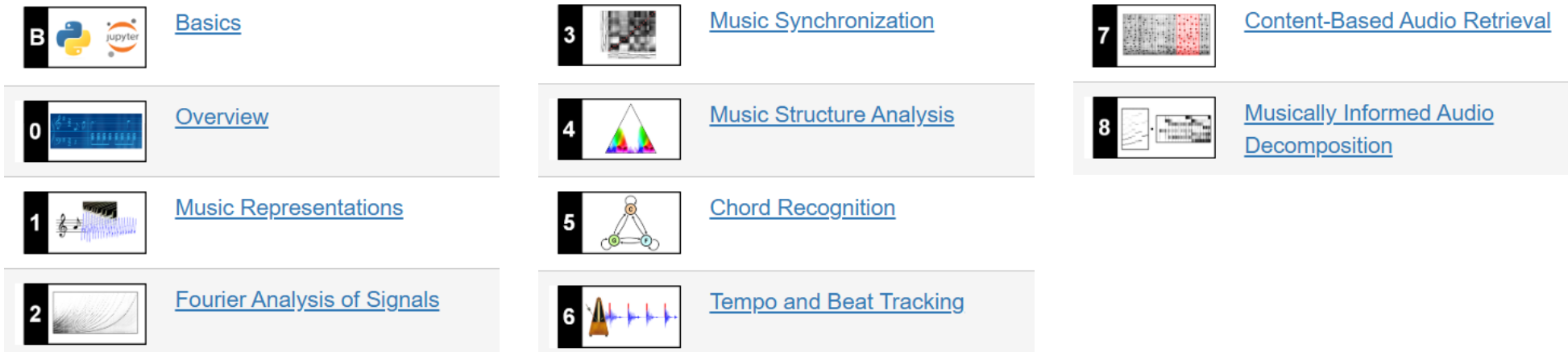

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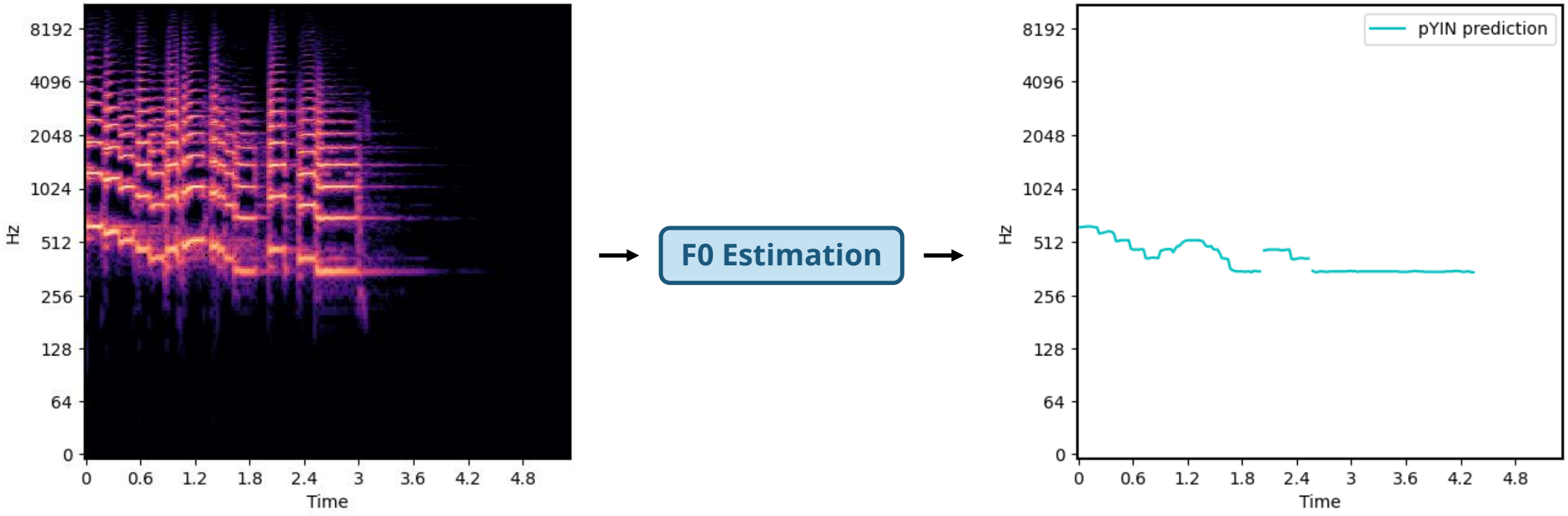

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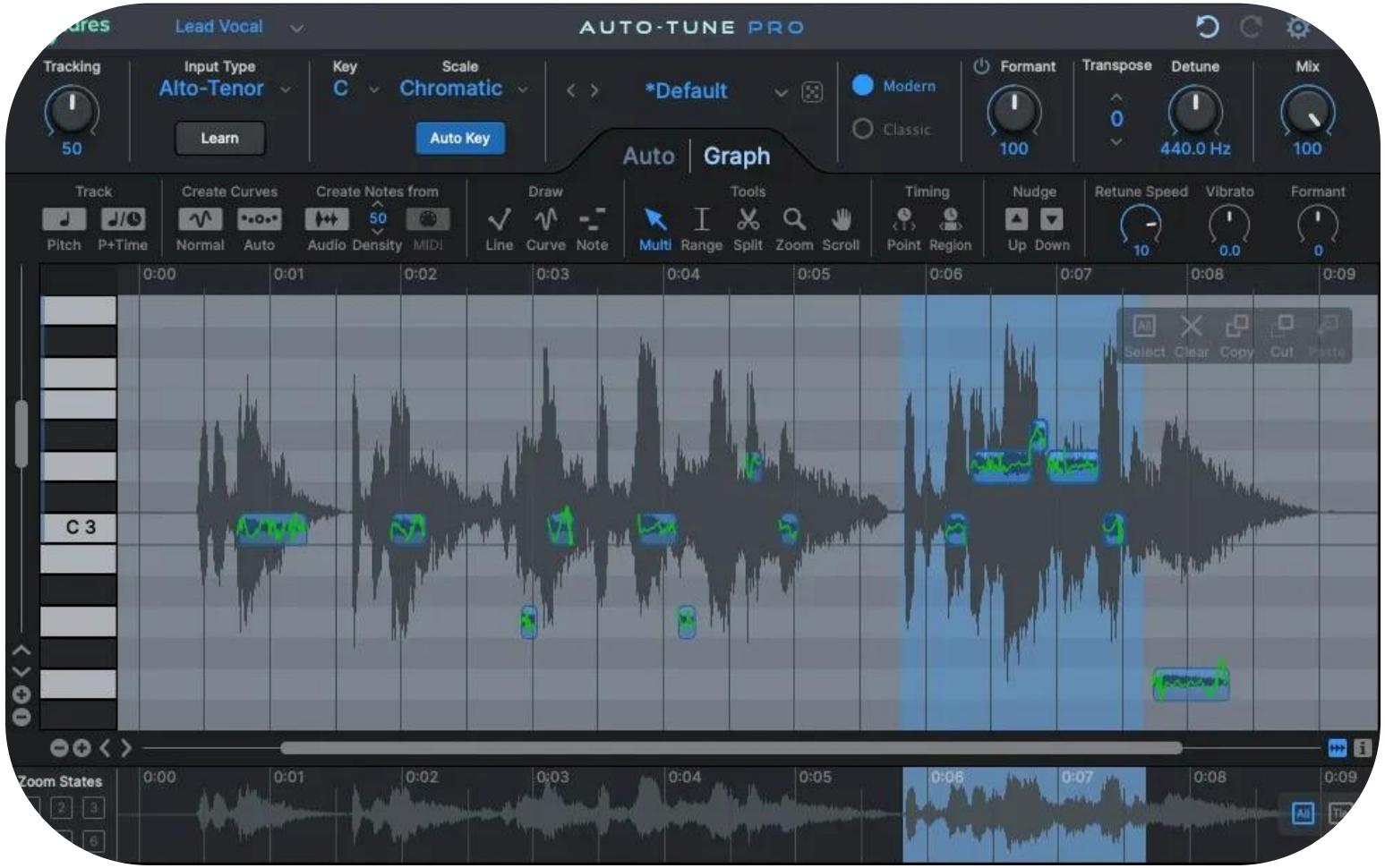

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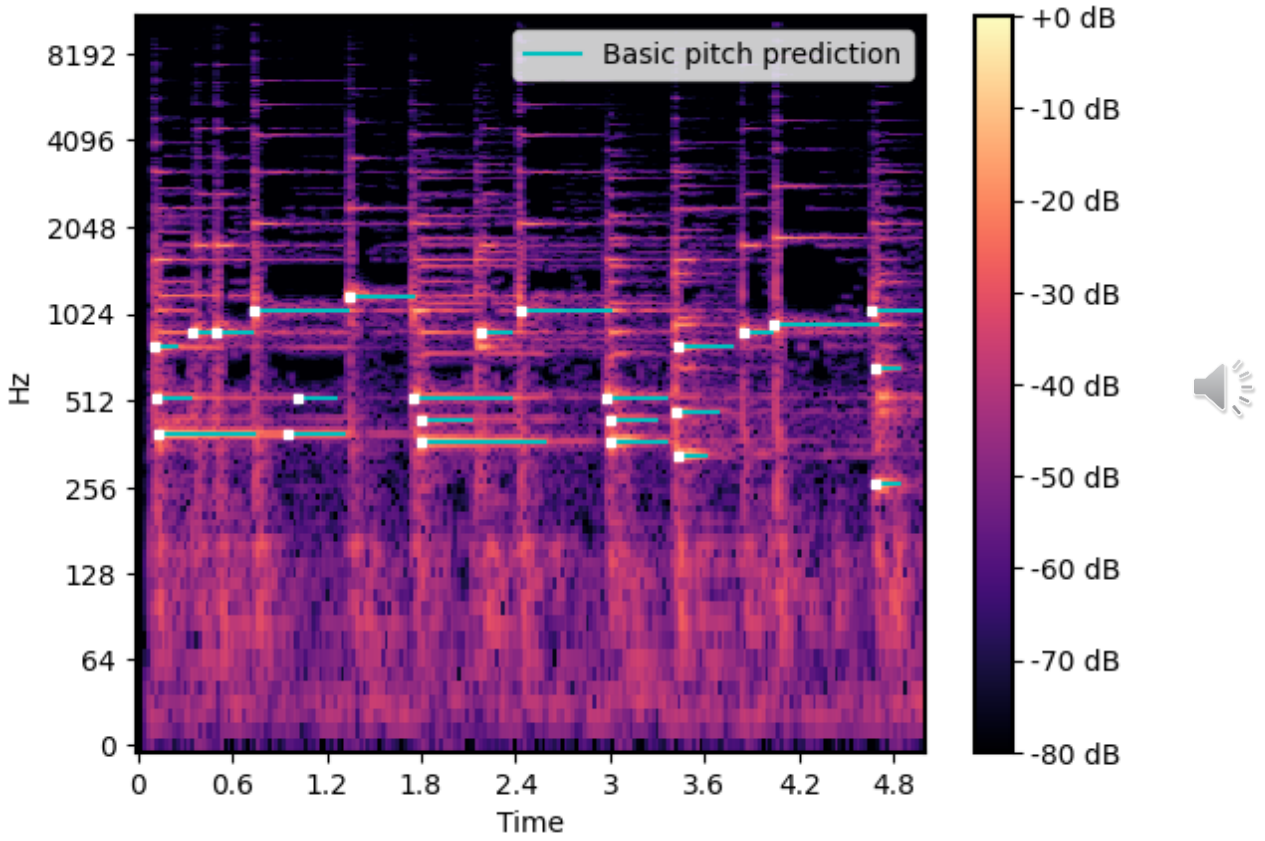

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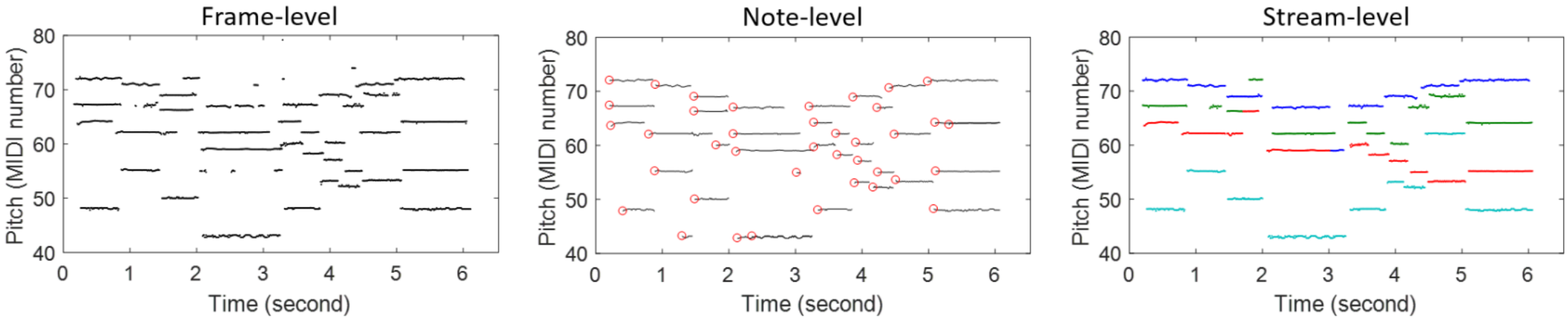
F0 Estimation vs Music Transcription



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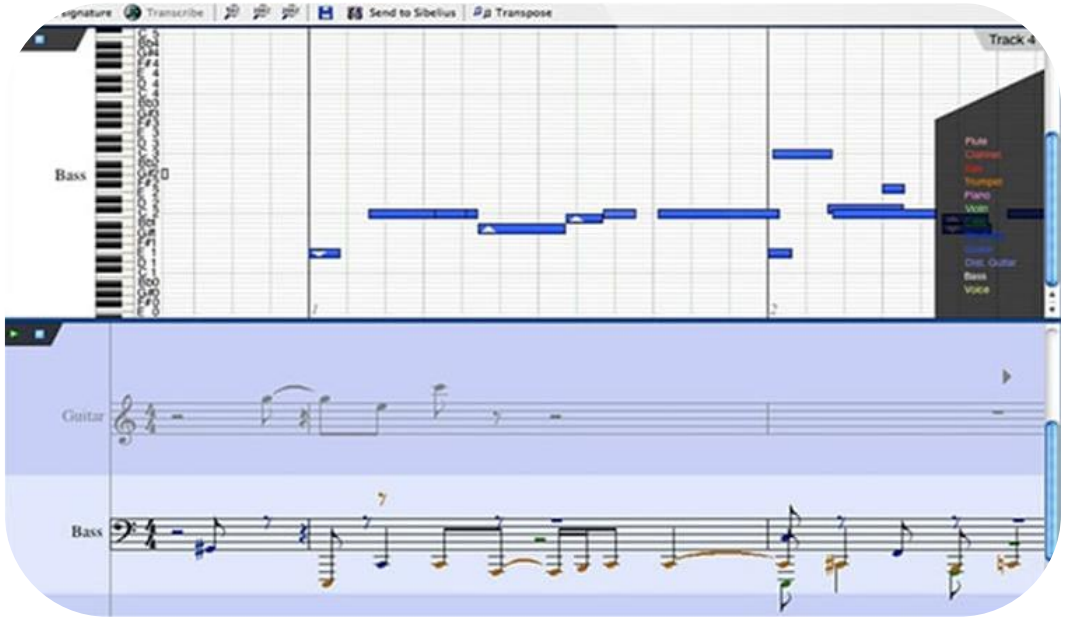

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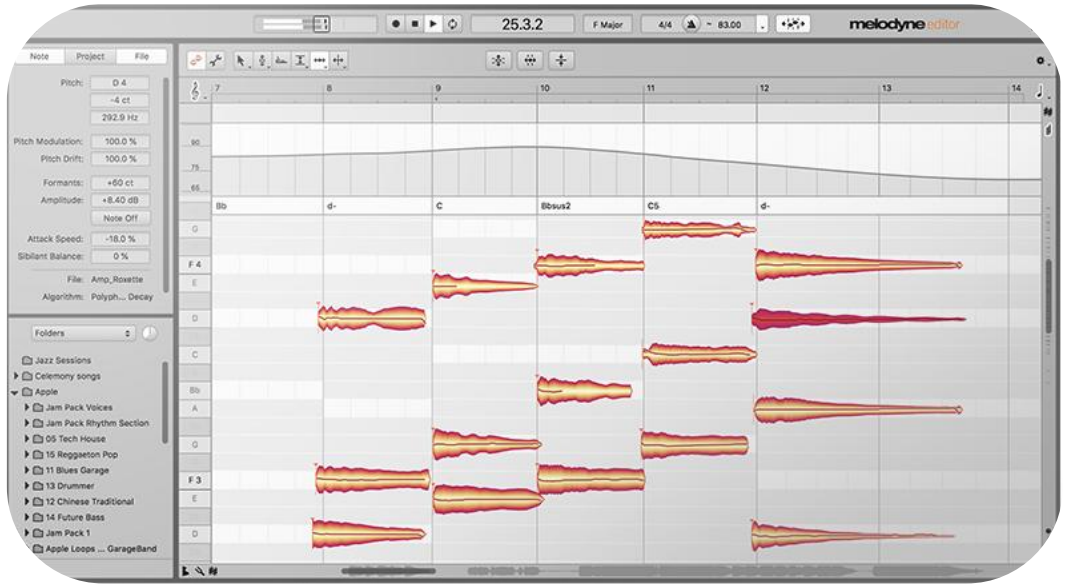

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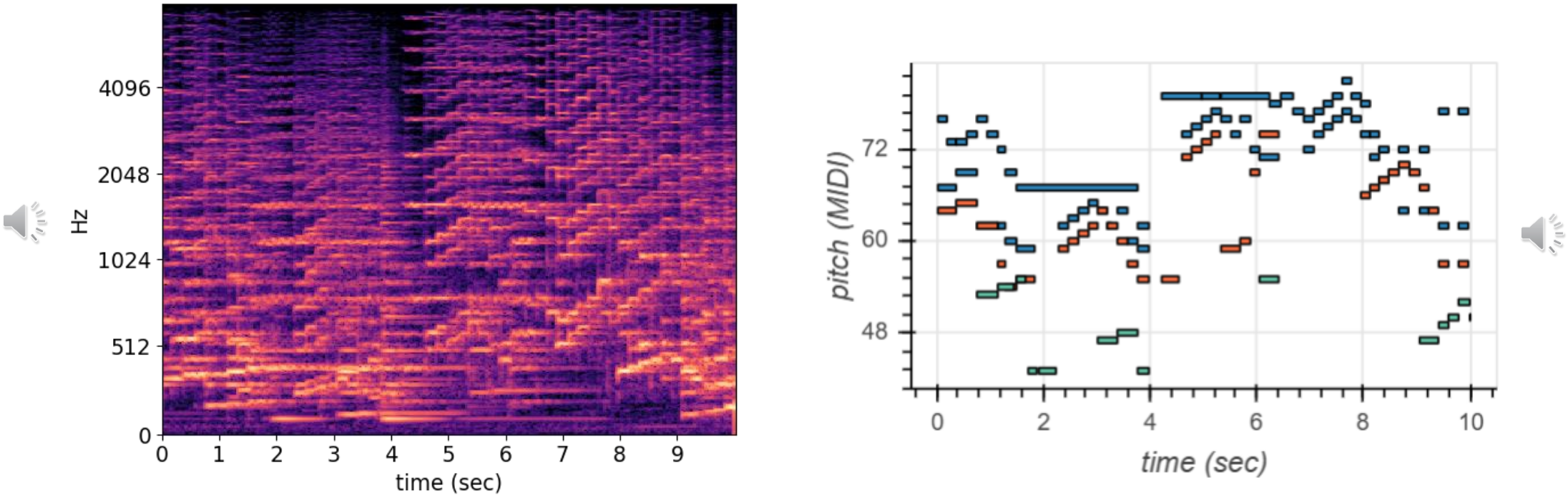

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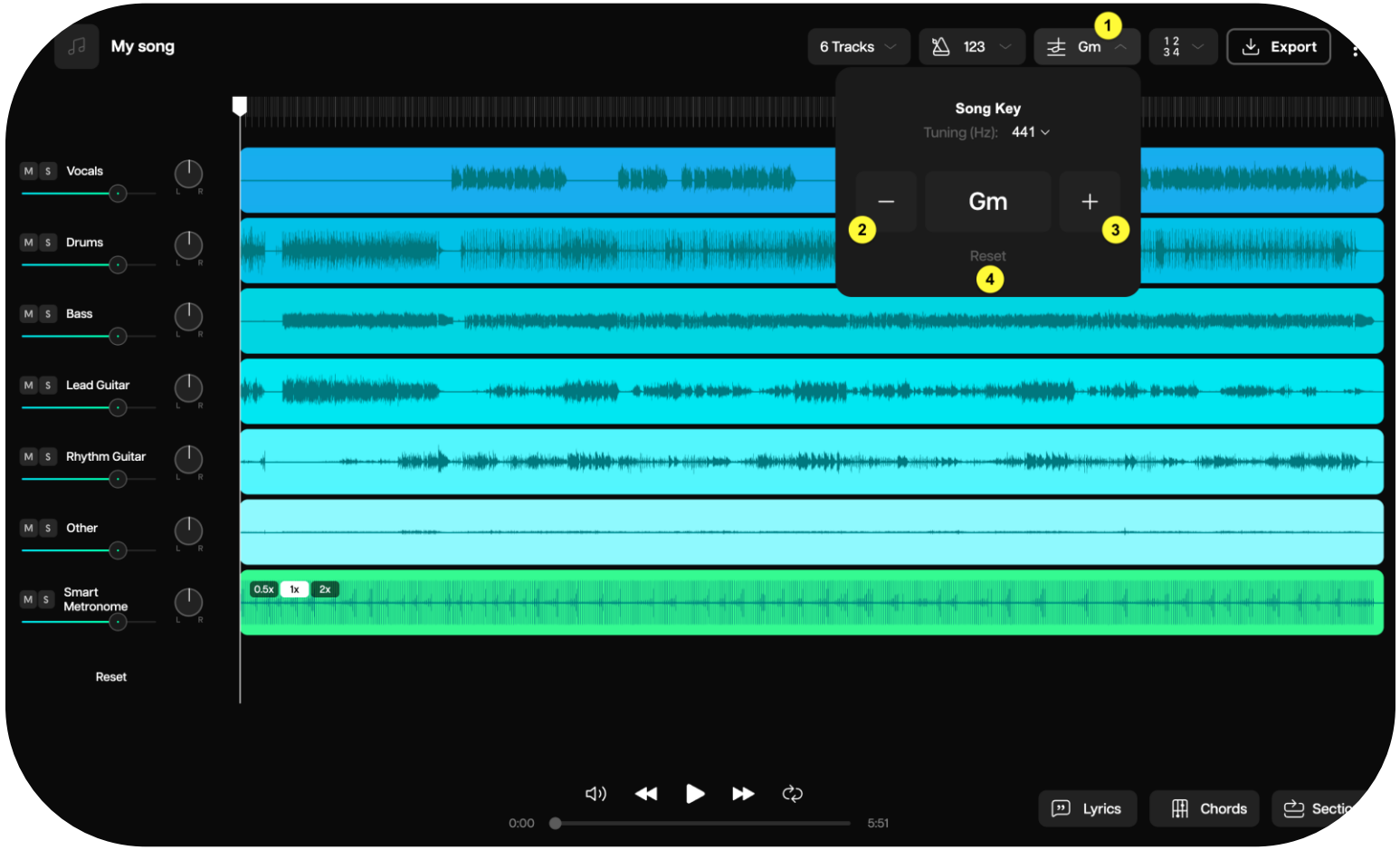

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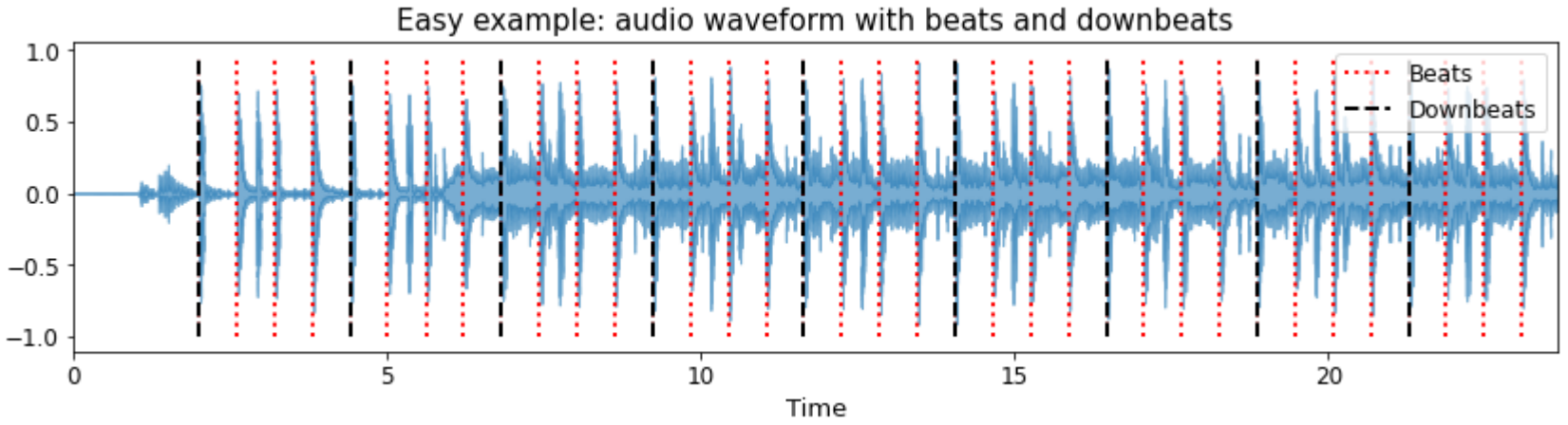

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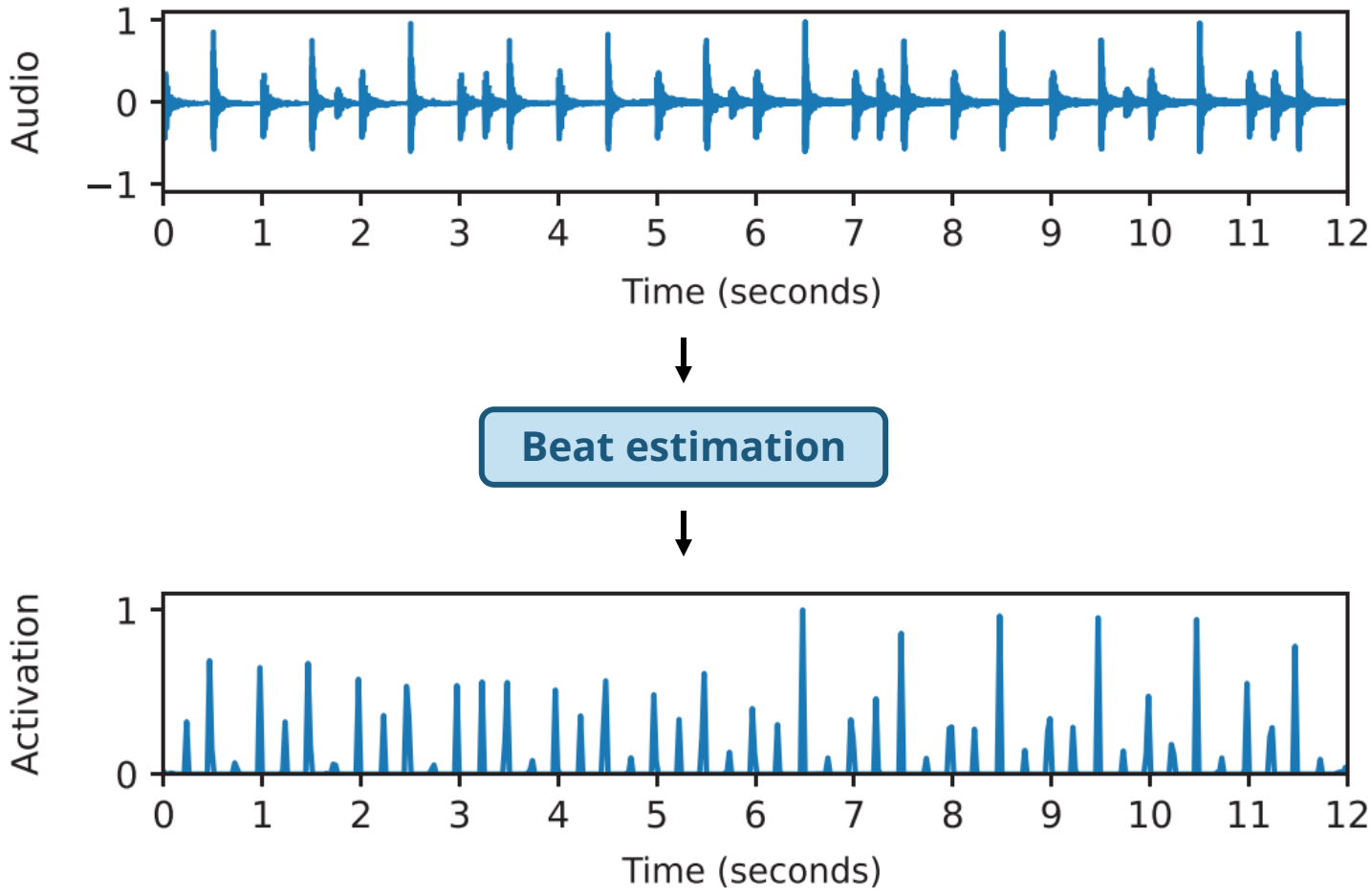

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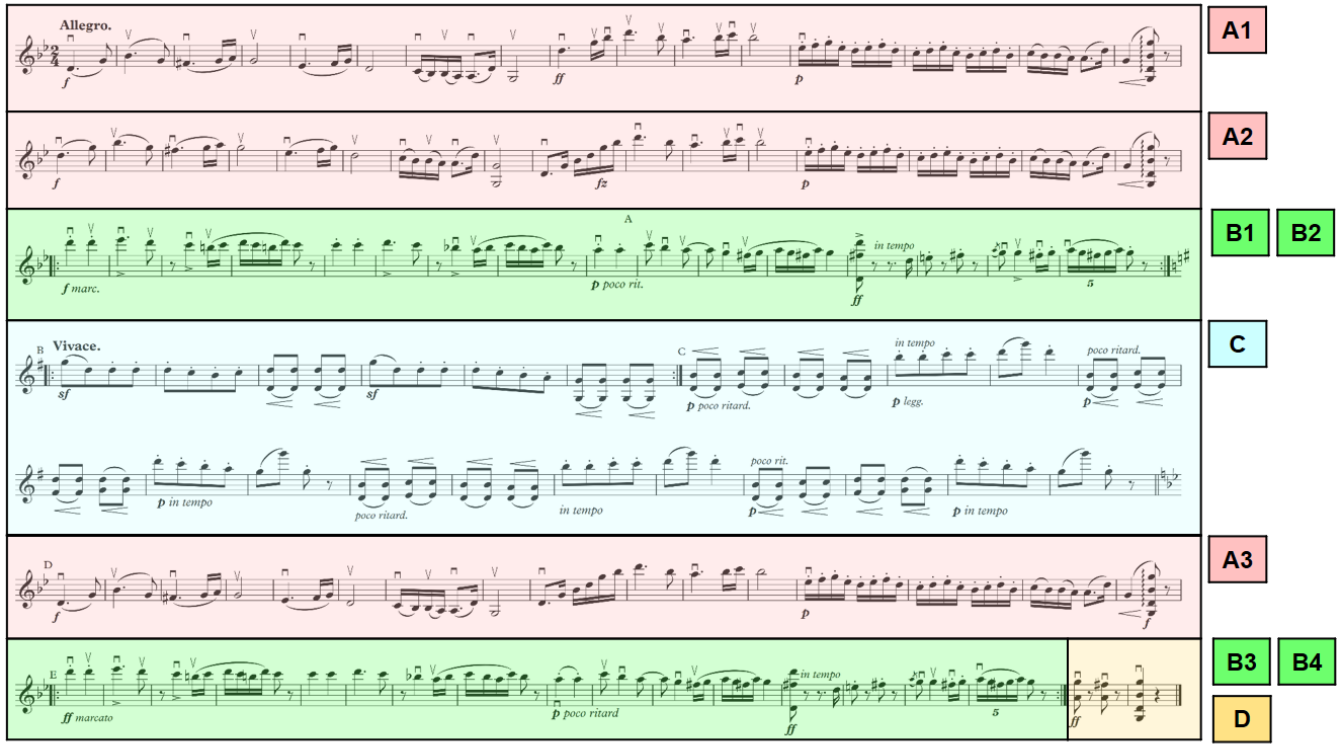

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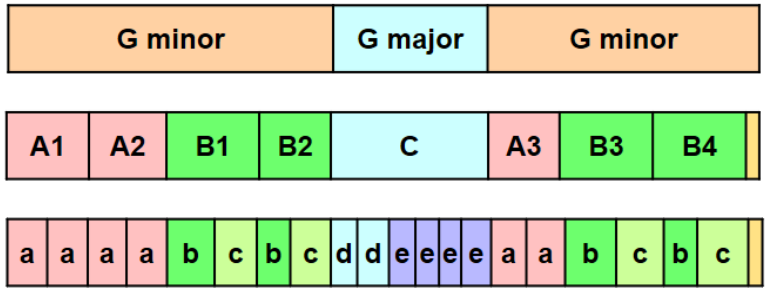

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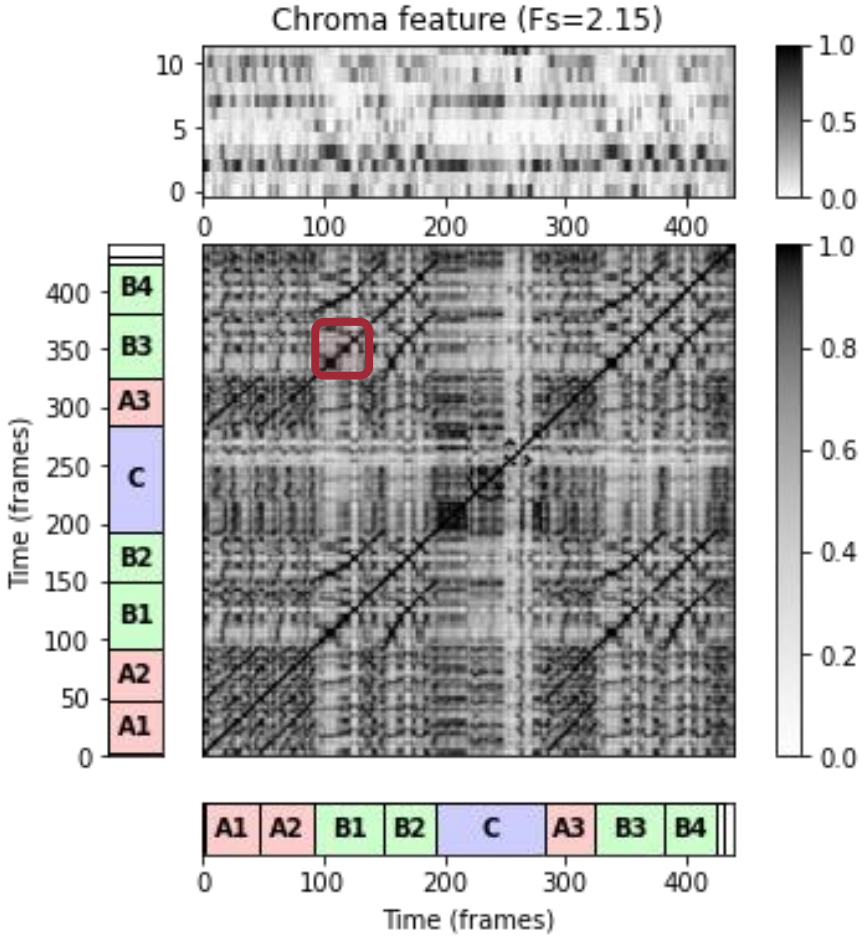

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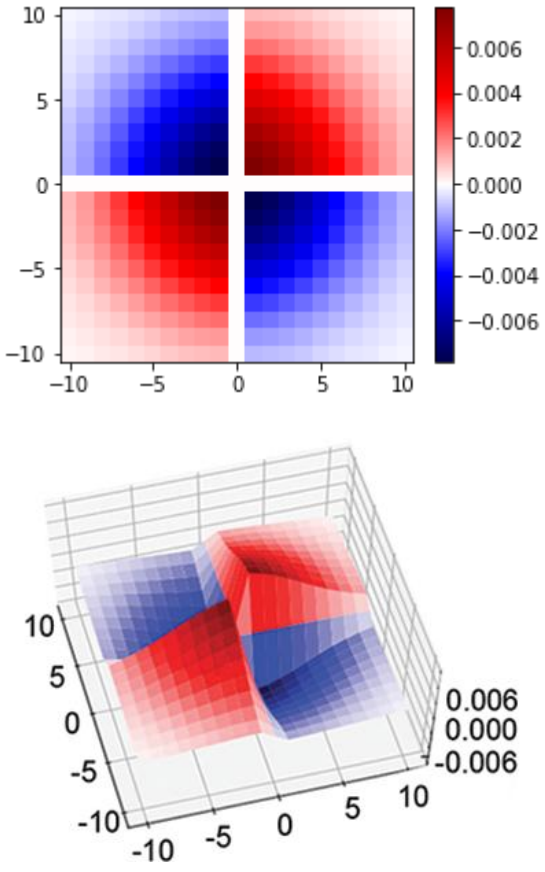

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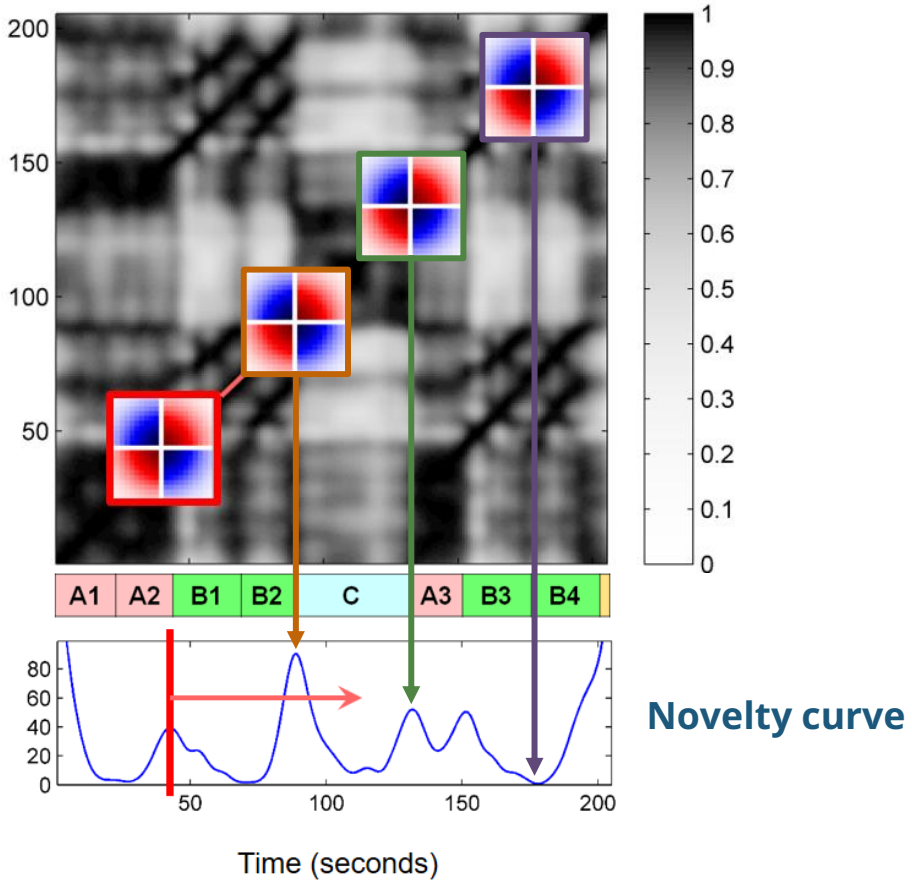

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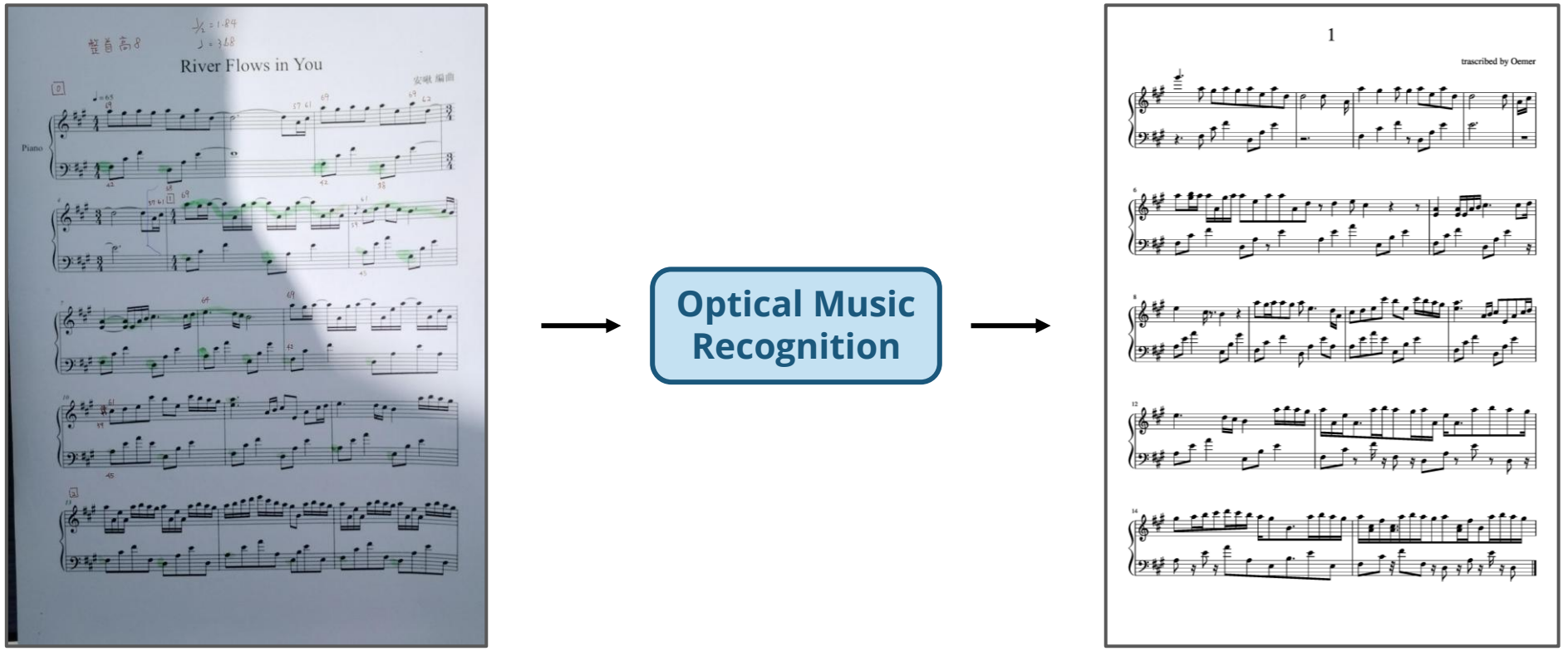

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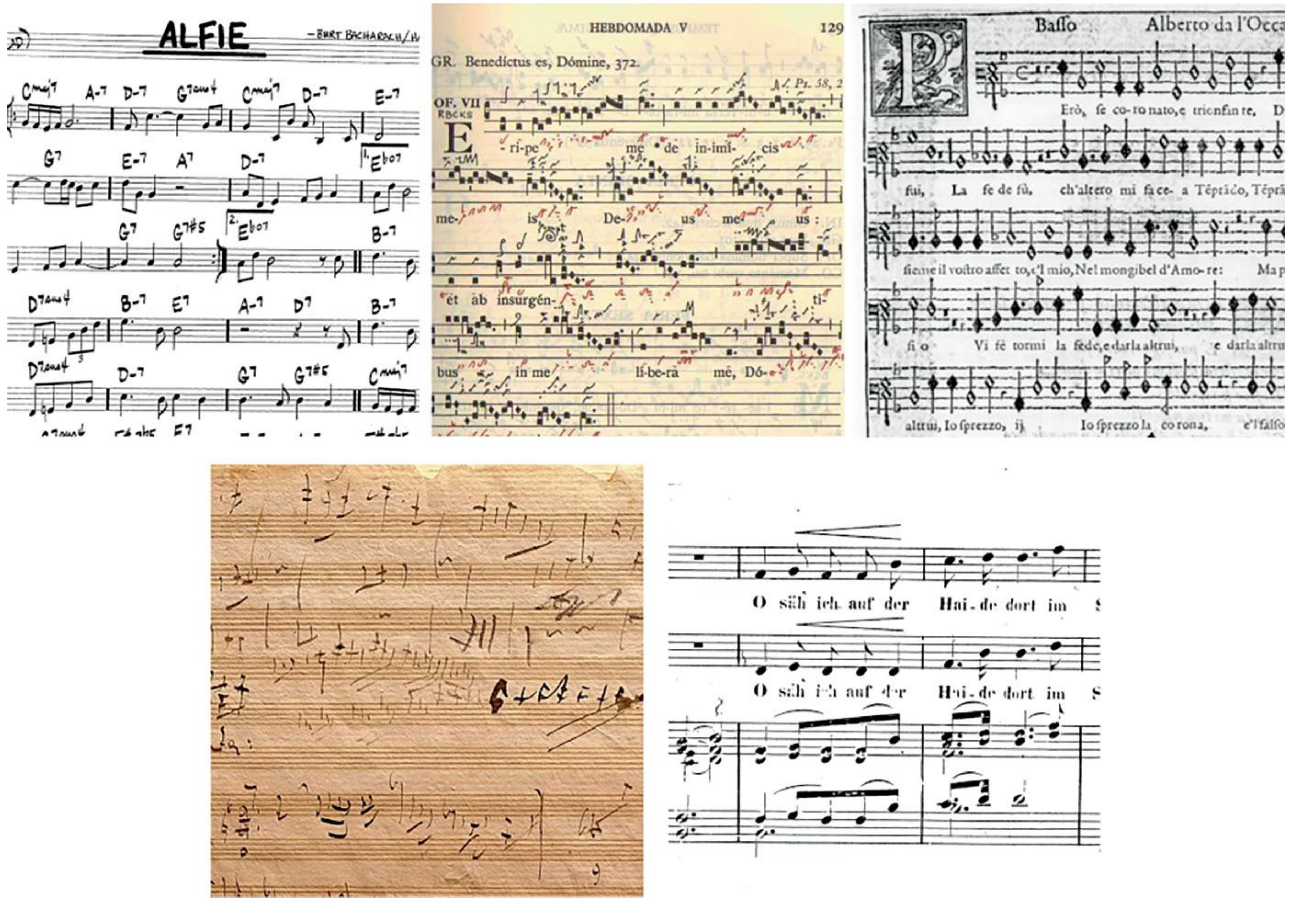

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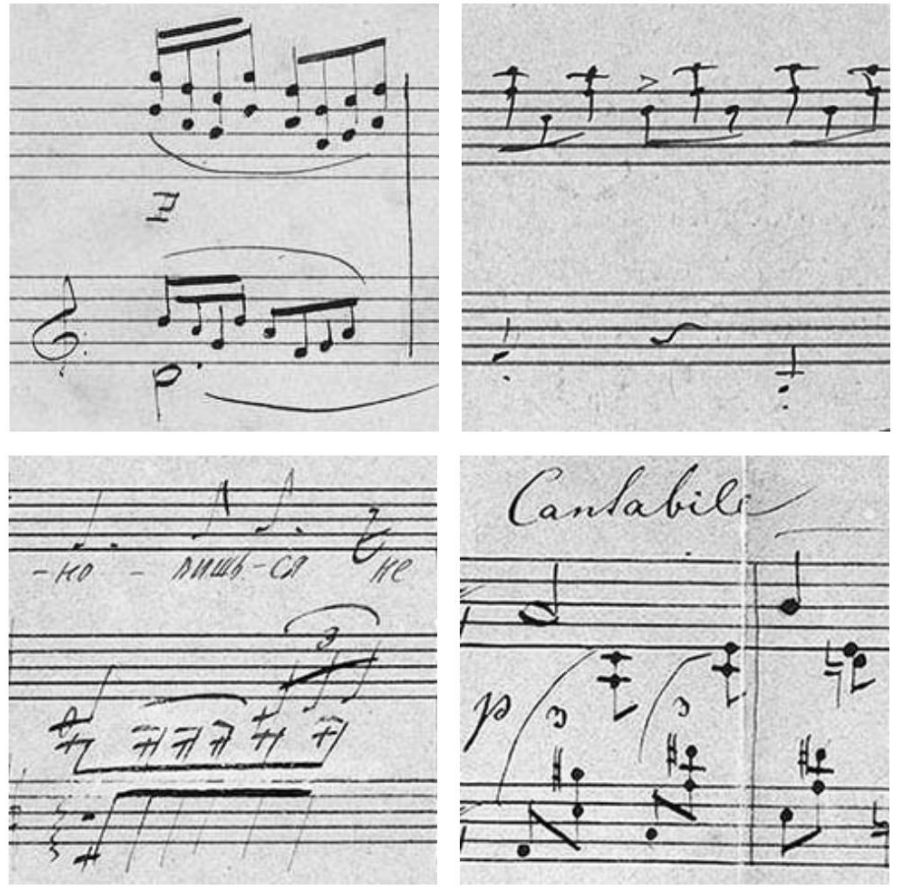

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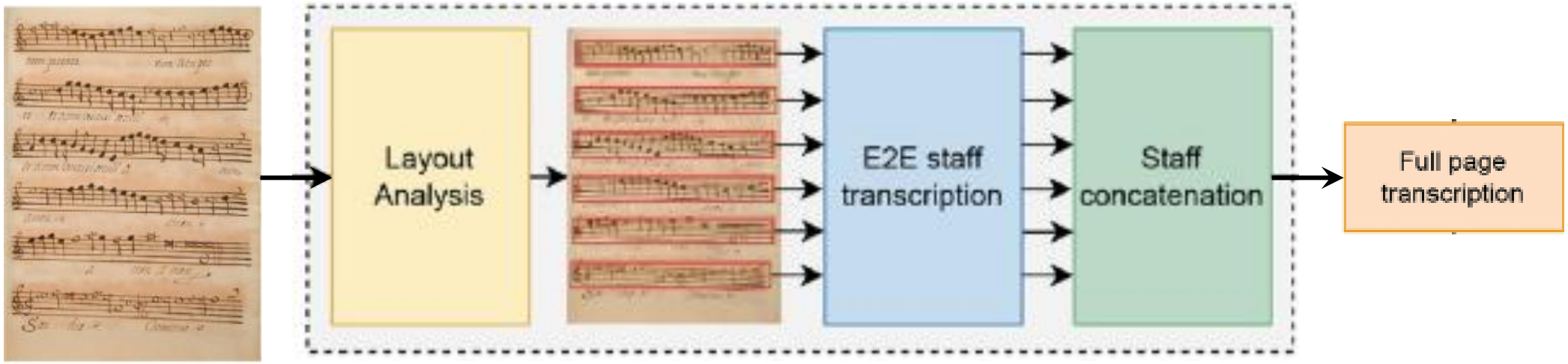

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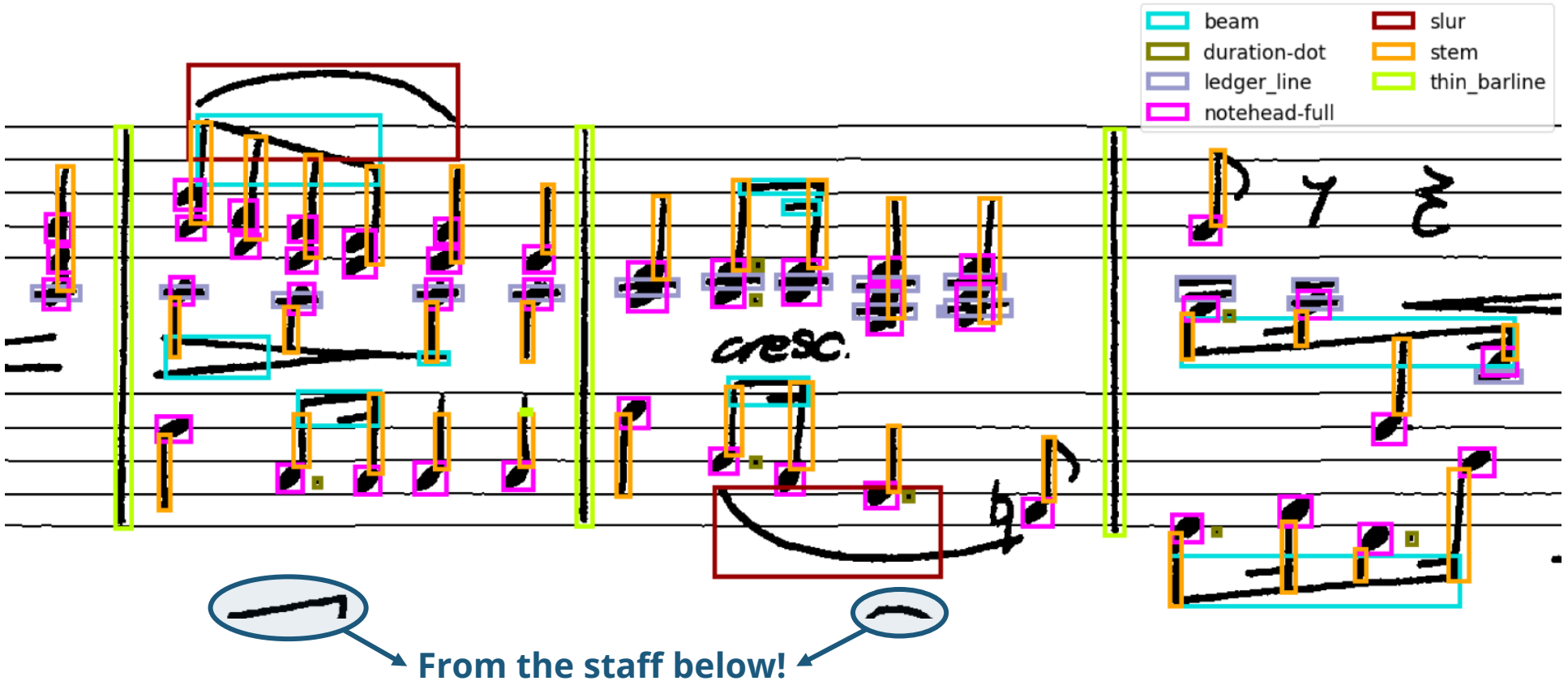

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