

# Using Convolutional Networks (with Attention) for Orders-of-Magnitude Speedup of DTW-Based Sequence Retrieval

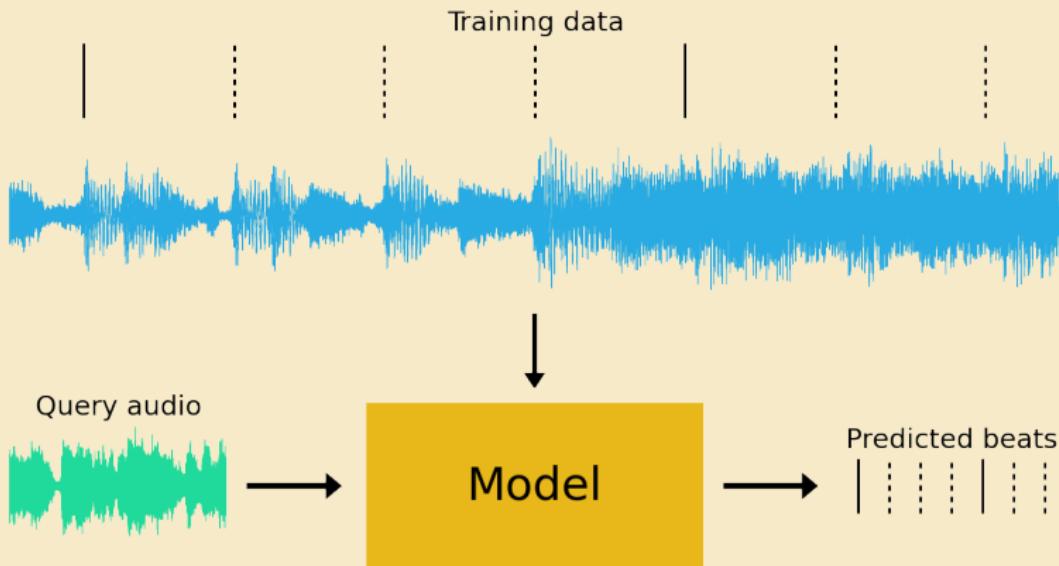
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# Music Information Retrieval Pipeline



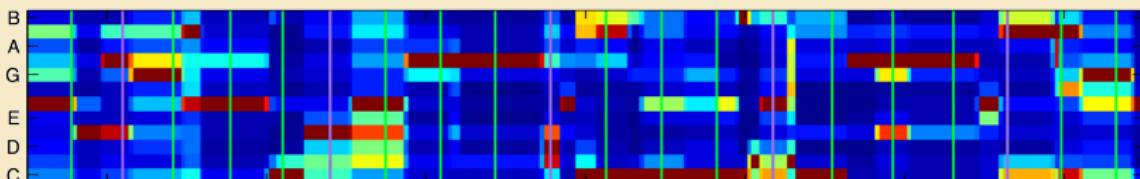
# The Million Song Dataset

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release: 'LIVE AT MONTREUX'  
title: 'Smells Like Teen Spirit'  
    id: 'TRKUYPW128F92E1FC0'  
    key: 5  
    mode: 0  
loudness: -16.6780  
tempo: 87.2330  
time_signature: 4  
duration: 216.4502  
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audio_md5: '8'  
7digitalid: 5764727  
familiarity: 0.8500  
year: 1992
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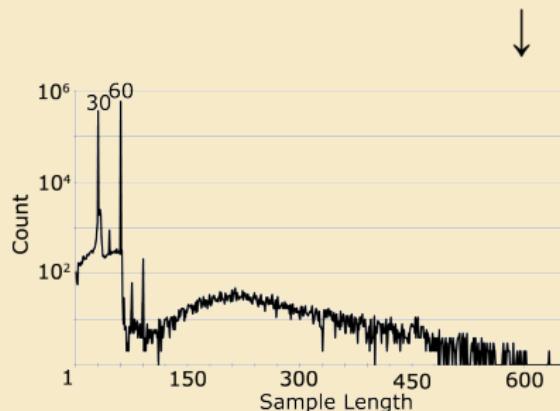
100.0 - cover	5.0 - cover songs
57.0 - covers	4.0 - soft rock
43.0 - female vocalists	4.0 - nirvana cover
42.0 - piano	4.0 - Mellow
34.0 - alternative	4.0 - alternative rock
14.0 - singer-songwriter	3.0 - chick rock
11.0 - acoustic	3.0 - Ballad
8.0 - tori amos	3.0 - Awesome Covers
7.0 - beautiful	2.0 - melancholic
6.0 - rock	2.0 - k001 chix
6.0 - pop	2.0 - indie
6.0 - Nirvana	2.0 - female vocalist
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6.0 - 90s	2.0 - cover song
5.0 - out of genre covers	2.0 - american

#5489,4468, Smells Like Teen Spirit  
TRTUOVJ128E078EE10 Nirvana  
TRFZJOZ128F4263BE3 Weird Al Yankovic  
TRJHCKN12903CDD274 Pleasure Beach  
TRELTOJ128F42748B7 The Flying Pickets  
TRJKBXL128F92F994D Rhythms Del Mundo feat. Shanade  
TRIHLAW128F429BBF8 The Bad Plus  
TRKUYPW128F92E1FC0 Tori Amos

12 hello	6 here	3 is
11 i	6 us	3 with
10 a	6 entertain	3 oh
9 and	4 the	3 out
7 it	4 feel	3 an
6 are	4 yeah	3 light
6 we	3 to	3 less
6 now	3 my	3 danger



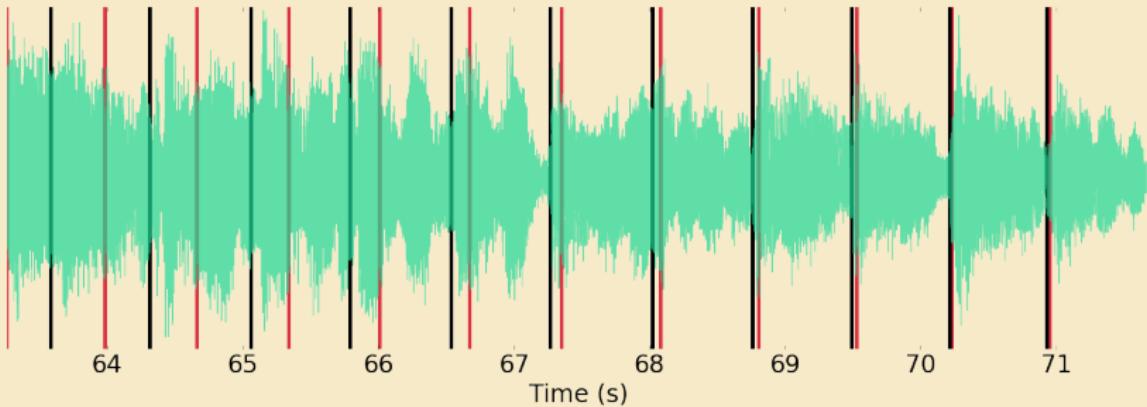
# Audio Available from 7digital



Samplerate			
22	768,710	77,26%	
44	226,169	22,73%	
other	81	0,01%	
Bitrate			
128	646,120	64,94%	
64	343,344	34,51%	
other (VBR)	5,494	0,55%	
Channels			
Mono	6,342	0,64%	
Stereo	150,779	15,15%	
Joint stereo / dual channel	837,839	84,21%	

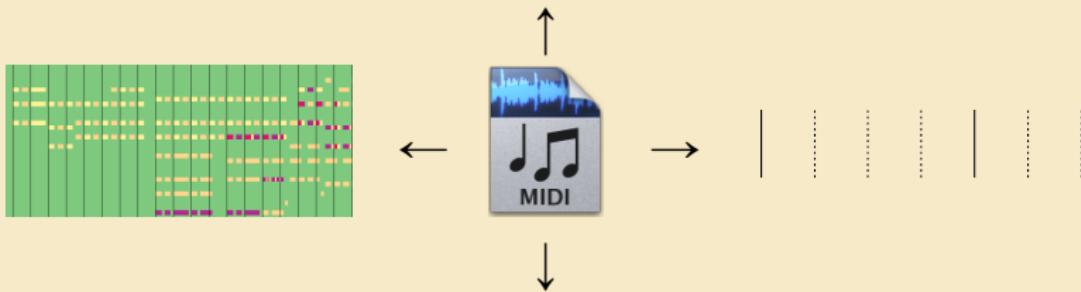
Schindler et al. "Facilitating Comprehensive Benchmarking Experiments on the Million Song Dataset"

# Ground Truth?



# Ground Truth from MIDI

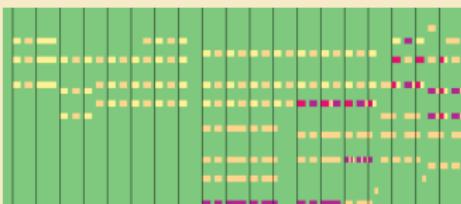
0.0s: F major, 53.2s: D minor, ...



```
import pretty_midi
# Load MIDI file into PrettyMIDI object
midi_data = pretty_midi.PrettyMIDI('midi_file.mid')
# Get a beat-synchronous piano roll
piano_roll = midi_data.get_piano_roll(times=midi_data.get_beats())
# Get tempo changes and their times
times, tempi = midi_data.get_tempo_change_times()
# Synthesize the resulting MIDI data at 22 kHz using fluidsynth
audio_data = midi_data.fluidsynth(fs=22050)
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V/VARIA180.MID

Carpenters/WeveOnly.mid

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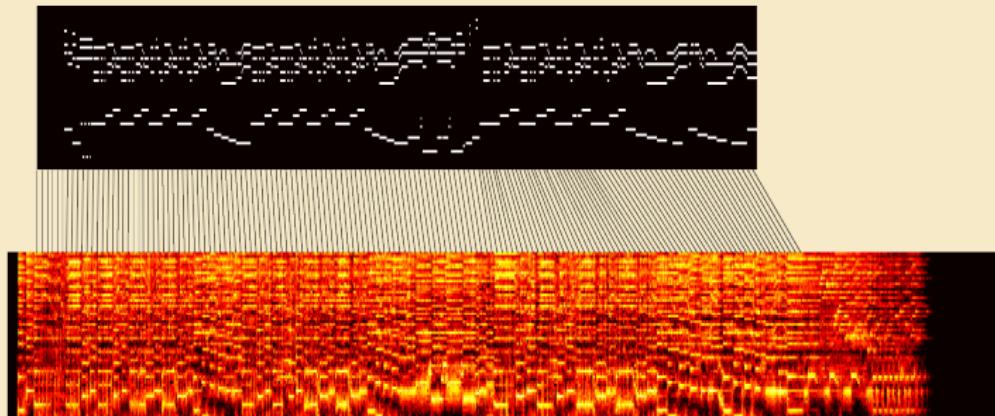
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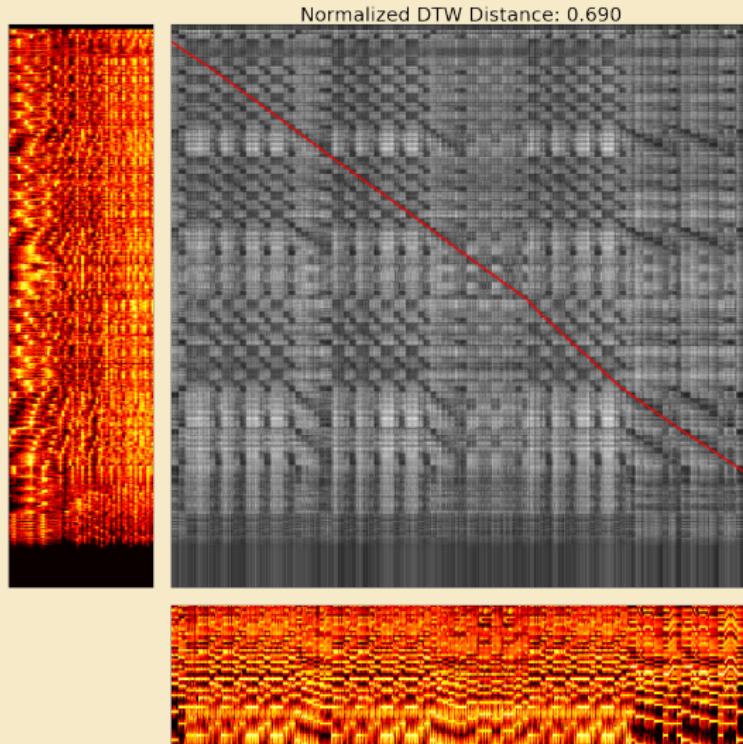
rogers\_kenny/medley.mid

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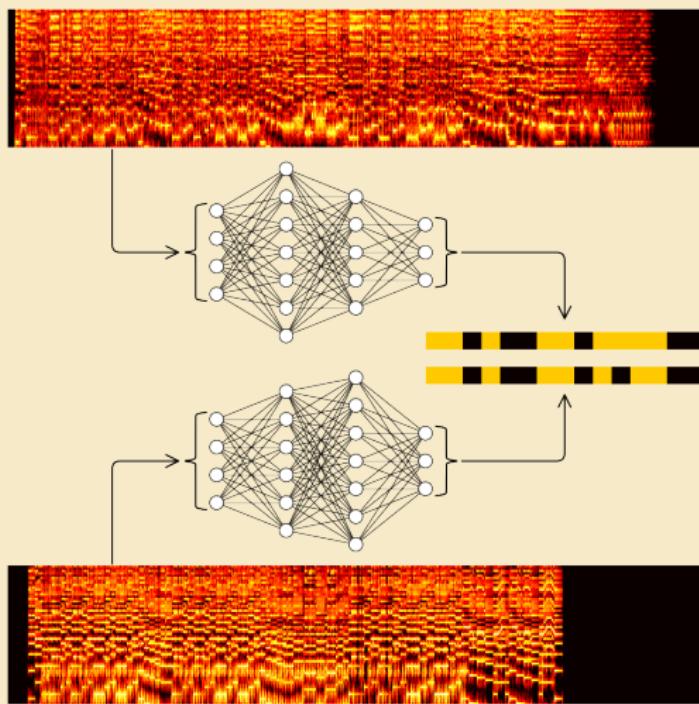
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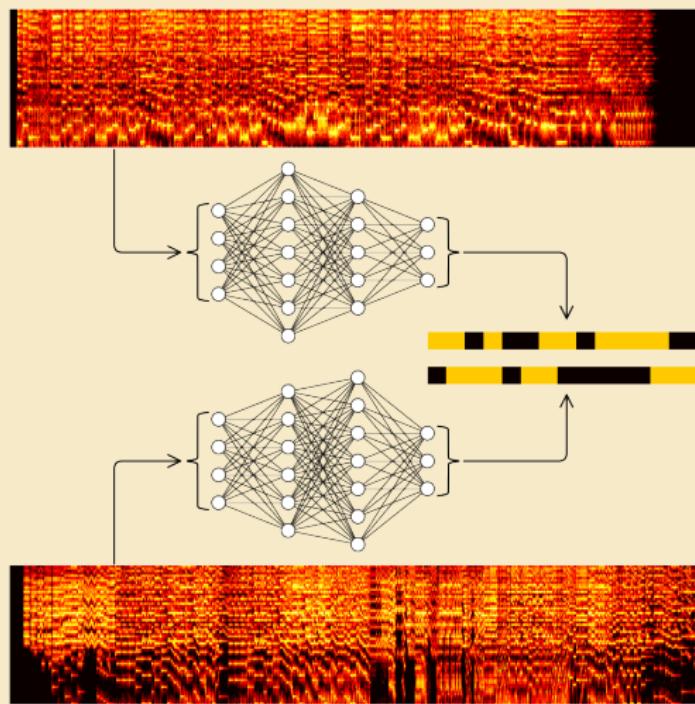
# DTW: Natural, and Too Slow



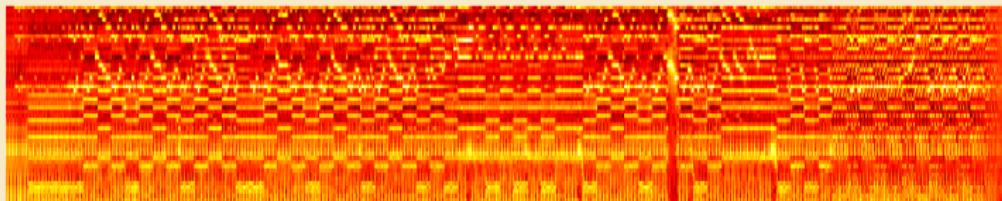
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# Hash Sequences



$$\text{distance}[m, n] = \text{bits\_set}[x[m] \oplus y[n]]$$

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men\_at\_work/Brazil/07-Down\_Under.mp3,  
TRLMFJ024KJ42K215E  
TRFBTK0128F426441E  
tlc/Crazy\_Sexy\_Cool/02-Creep.mp3  
The Beatles - Help!.mp3

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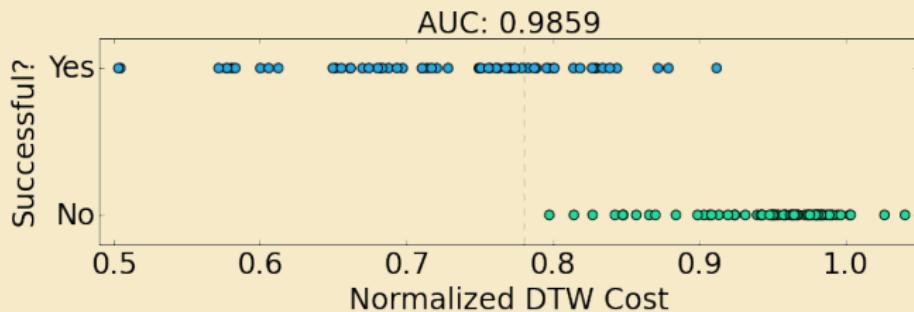
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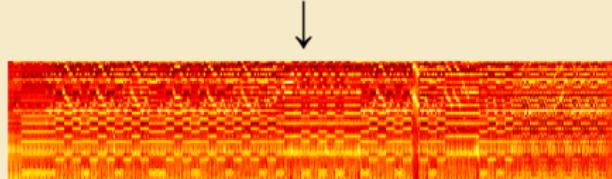
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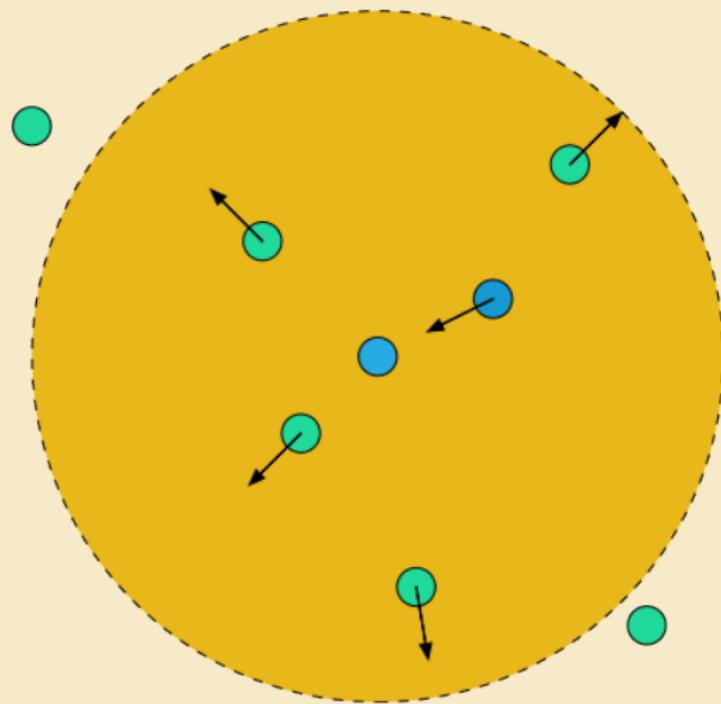


# Input Features



```
import librosa
# We could also obtain audio data from pretty_midi's fluidsynth method
audio, fs = librosa.load('audio_file.mp3')
# Compute a CQT with 48 notes, 12 bins per octave, starting from C3
cqt = np.abs(librosa.cqt(audio, fmin=librosa.midi_to_hz(36), n_bins=48))
# Compute onset envelope from CQT (for speed)
onset_envelope = librosa.onset.onset_strength(S=cqt, aggregate=np.median)
# Perform beat tracking using CQT-based onset strength
bpm, beats = librosa.beat.beat_track(onset_envelope=onset_envelope)
# Synchronize the CQT to the beats
sync_cqt = librosa.feature.sync(cqt, beats)
# Compute log amplitude
sync_cqt = librosa.logamplitude(sync_cqt, ref_power=sync_cqt.max())
# L2 normalize
sync_gram = librosa.util.normalize(sync_cqt, norm=2.)
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# Loss function



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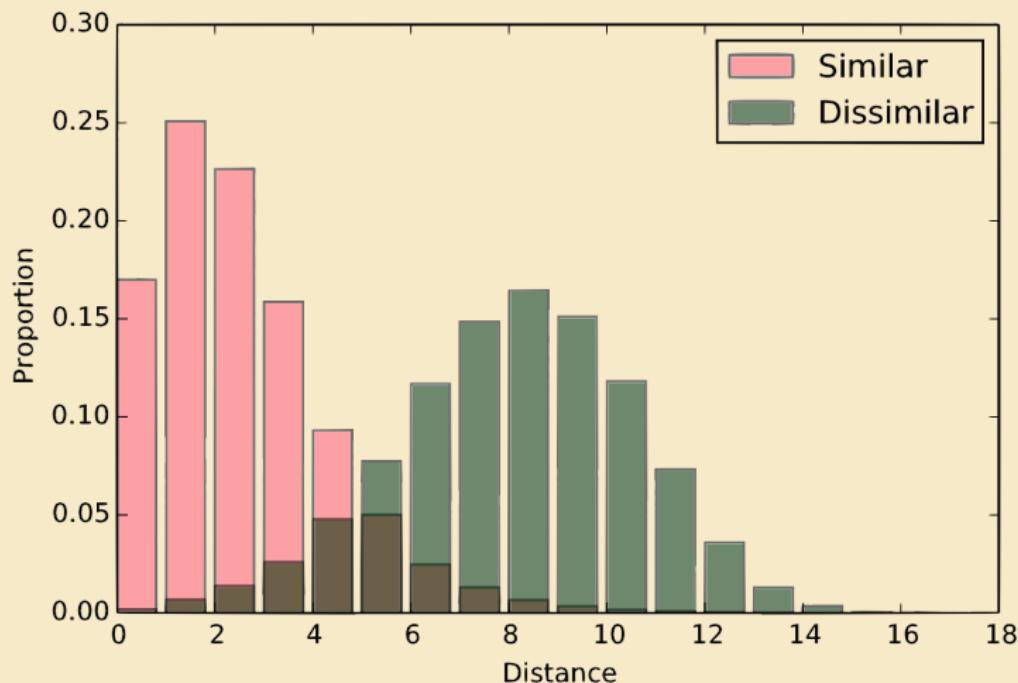
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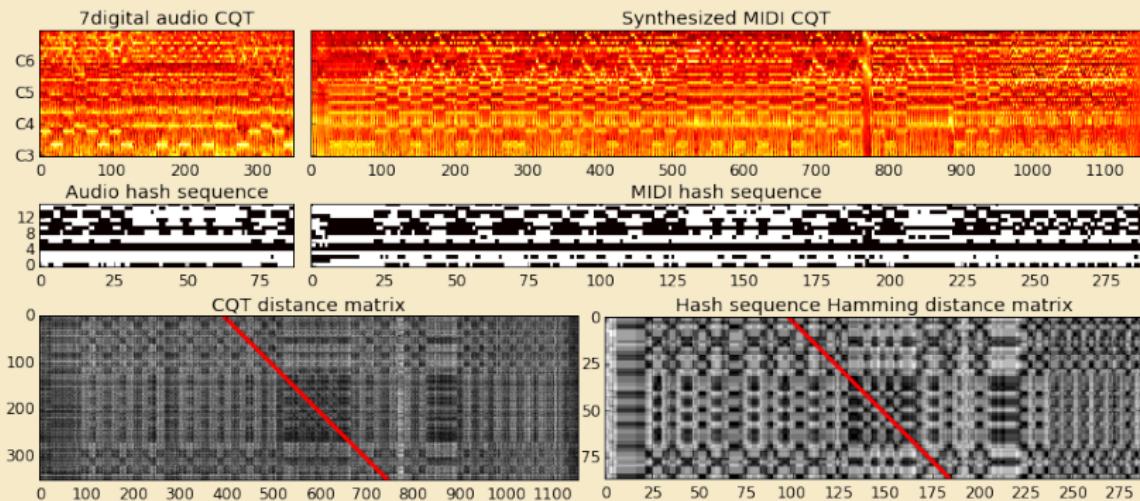
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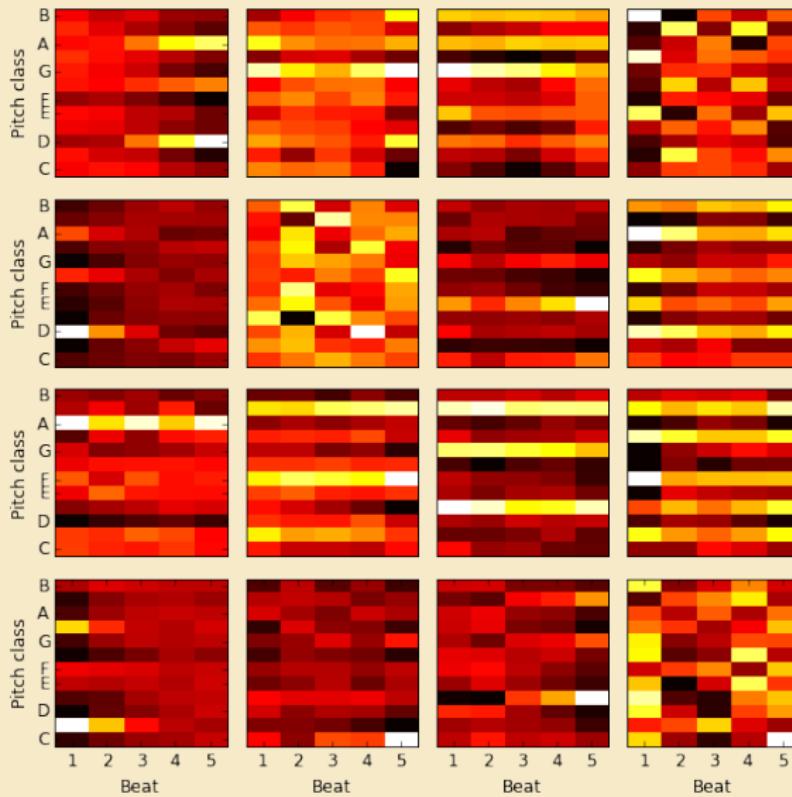
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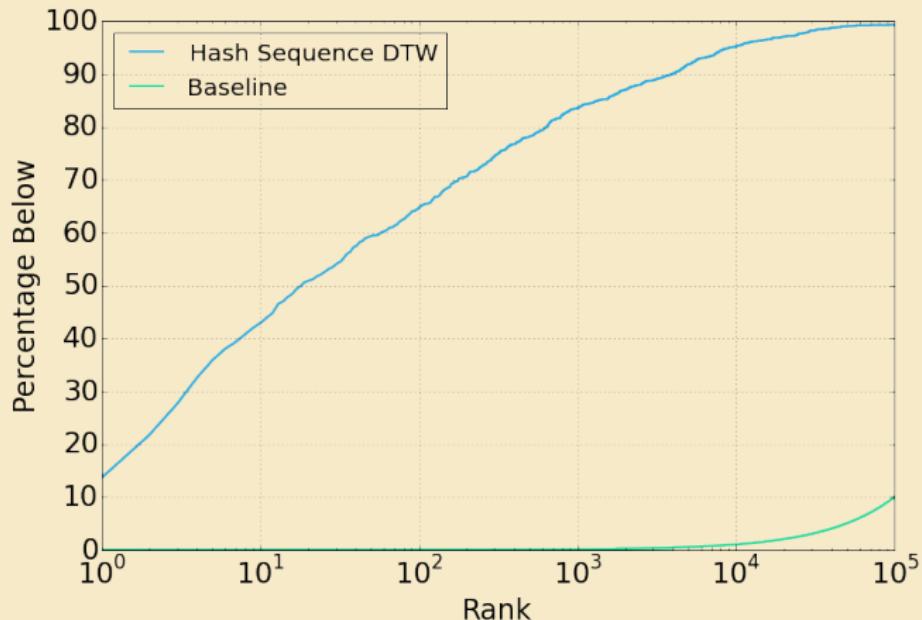
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# First Layer Filters



# Test: MIDI-to-MSD Matching



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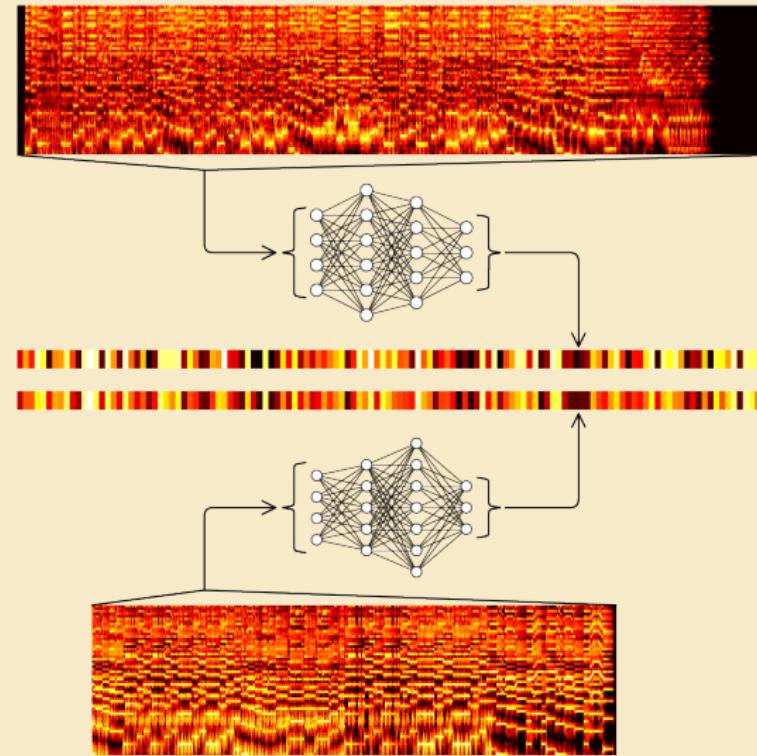
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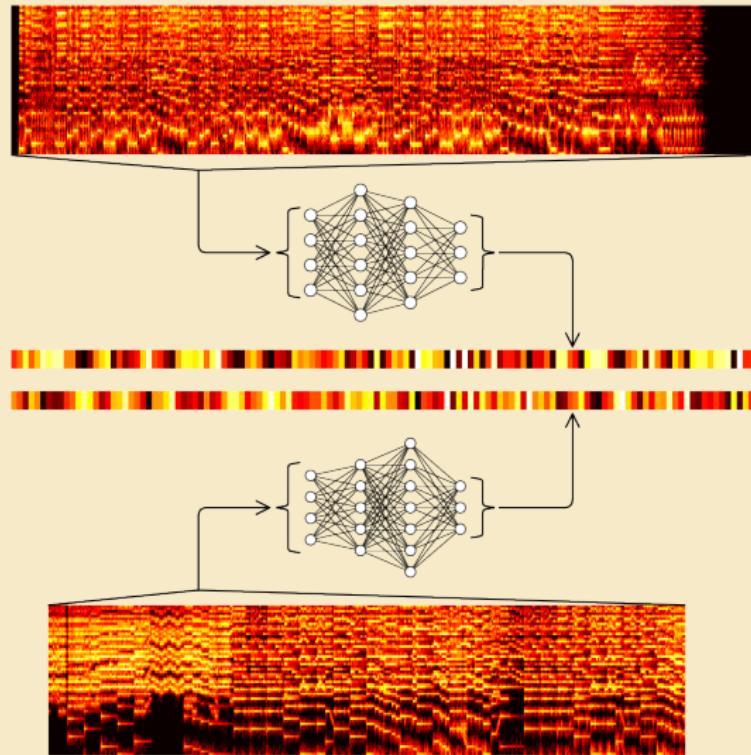
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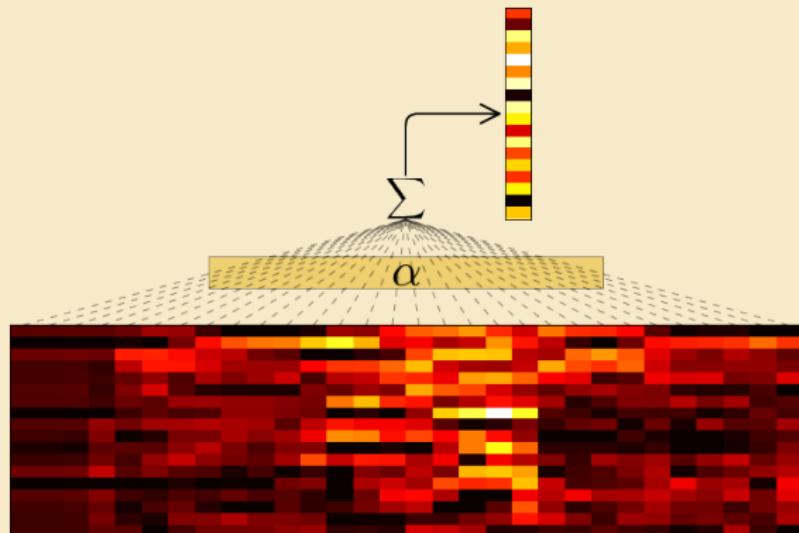
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$$\alpha = \text{softmax}(wx + b)$$

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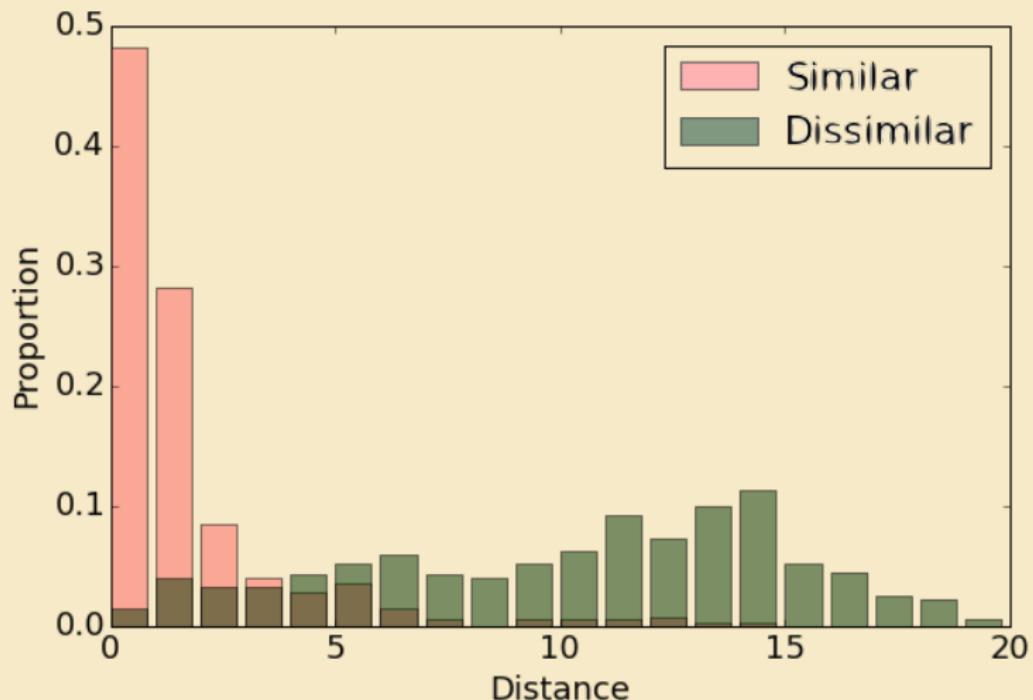
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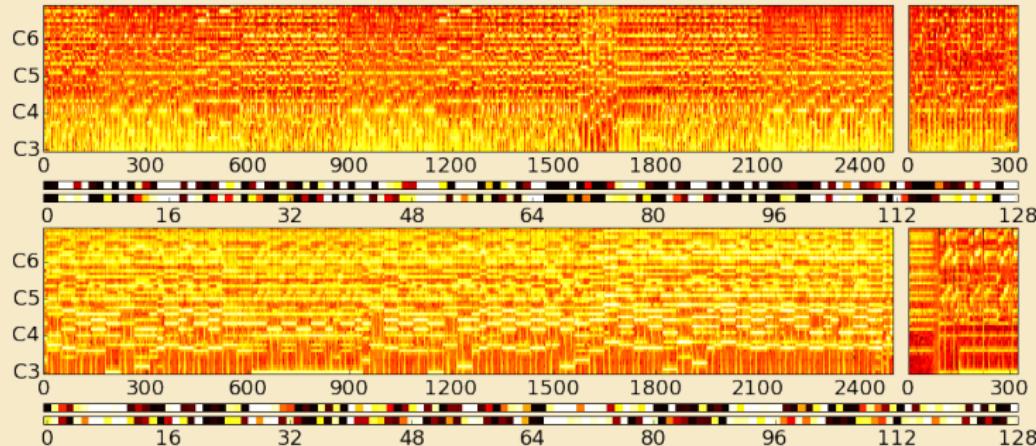
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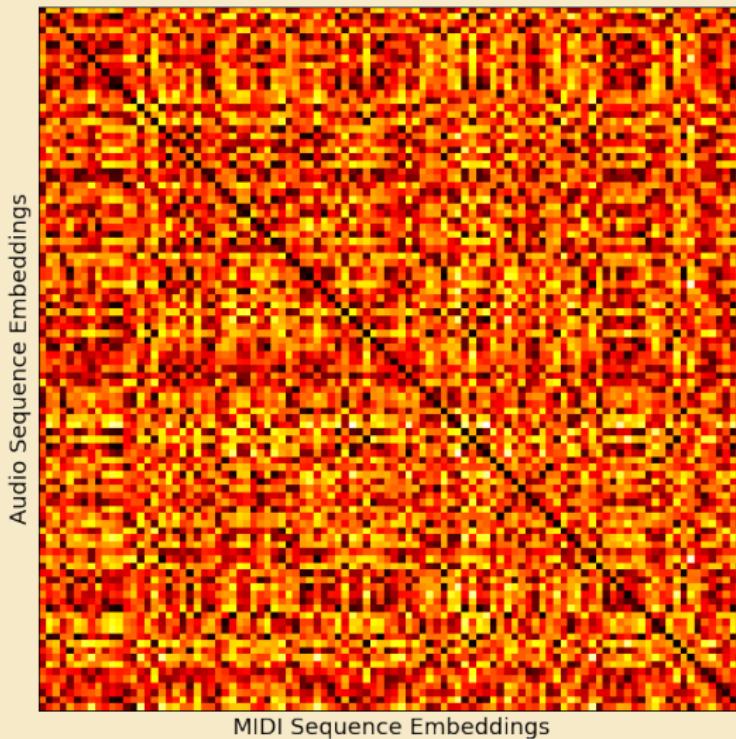
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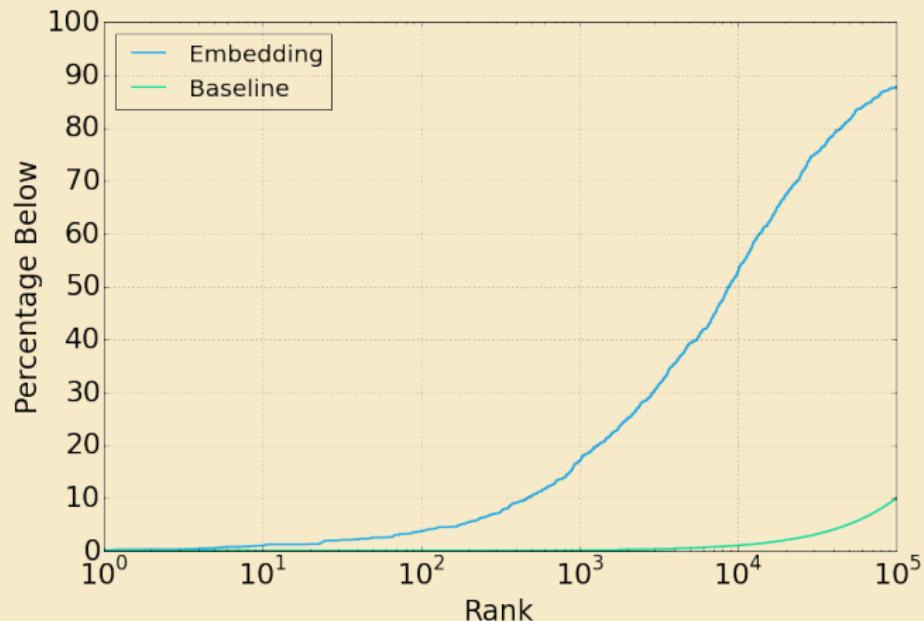
# Example Embeddings



# Embedding Distance Matrix



# MIDI-to-MSD Matching



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