Chapter 5

Results and Testing

This chapter will describe the results of my work with of W. A. Mozart's *Eine kleine Nachtmusik*, K.525 as an example. It will also use W. A. Mozart's *String Quartet No.7 in E-flat major*, K.160/159a as an example where K.525 doesn't fit the specifications. This chapter will also look at timing metrics of the system.

5.1 Example 1: Eine kleine Nachtmusik, K.525, W. A. Mozart)

This section will go through an example of how the entire OMRMIDICorrector system works on W. A. Mozart's *Eine kleine Nachtmusik*, K.525.



Figure 5-1: The first page of the scanned copy of the score found on IMSLP.

5.1.1 Musical Properties of K.525

I chose K.525 as the example piece for many of it music properties that make it a difficult but interesting piece to align.

5.1.1.1 Bass and Cello Doubling

In the original scanned score, there are only four parts because the bass part doubles the cello part one octave lower. However, in the MIDI encoding, there must be five separate voices. Thus, in the preprocessing step of the OMRMiDICorrector, it would be ideal for the system to recognize this. Otherwise, in instances where the OMRMIDICorrector could not pair up the parts between the input OMR stream and the input MIDI stream, there would be an error thrown, and alignment and correction would not happen.

5.1.1.2 Tremolos

Starting in measure 5 in the original scanned score, the second violin has tremolo notes, instead of repeated 16th notes written out. The OMR parser in SmartScore is not robust enough to recognize the slashes across the stem of the note as tremolo markings and instead interprets it as a single note. The MIDI protocol has no way of indicating tremolos, so the second violin's notes in measure 5 are encoded as regular 16th notes. Ideally, the aligner would be robust enough to align tremolo measures with non-tremolo measures even though there will be a huge discrepancy in the number of notes present in the measure.

5.1.2 Preparing the Raw Input

The basic raw input of the system is an OMR score and a MIDI file. A scanned copy of the score was found in IMSLP [5], the source for much free public domain sheet music. The MIDI file was sourced from the Yale MIDI Archive.

I used SmartScore's built-in OMR tool to convert the scanned score of K.525 into an ENF file. Then I exported the post-OMR file as a musicXML file.

Similarly for the K.525 MIDI file, I used SmartScore to parse the original file and exported it as a musicXML file.

The last step of preparing the raw input is to parsing the musicXML files with the music21 library so that they are Stream objects. This can be done by passing in the musicXML filepaths to the parse method in the converter class. We will call these two parsed streams k525midiStream and k525omrStream.

```
from music21 import *
k525MidiFilepath = "pathto/k525/midtoxml.xml"
k525OmrFilepath= "pathto/k525/omrtoxml.xml"
k525midistream = converter.parse(k525MidiFilepath)
k525omrstream = converter.parse(k525OmrFilepath)
```

5.1.3 Running OMRMIDICorrector on K.525

After the raw input has been massaged into Stream objects, the aligning process is simple. We create an instance of an OMRMIDICorrector object with the two streams as parameters. For the purposes of this example, we will use the default hasher that is built into the OMRMIDICorrector class. We will set the debugShow to True so that we can visualize the alignment between pairwise streams. Finally, we will call processRunner which will hash and align the parts in the stream. For now, we will manually create the Fixer objects for stream fixing. The aligner is able to correctly identify that the repeated 16th notes

```
from music21 import *

OMC = alpha.analysis.omrMidiCorrector
k525omc = OMC.OMRMIDICorrector(k525midistream, k525omrstream)
k525omc.debugShow = True
k525omc.processRunner()
```

These are the outputs of the showChanges function.

K.525 Target (MIDI) Violin 1

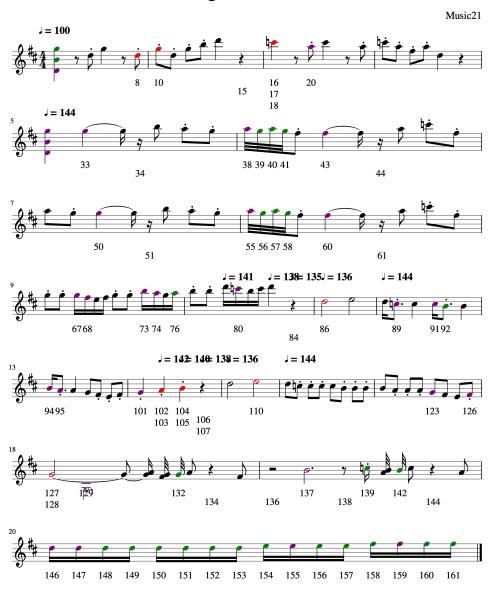


Figure 5-2: Post-alignment visualization of the MIDI Violin 1 part in K.525.

K.525 Source (OMR) Violin 1



Figure 5-3: Post-alignment visualization of the OMR Violin 1 part in K.525.

K.525 Target (MIDI) Violin 2

Figure 5-4: Post-alignment visualization of the MIDI Violin 2 part in K.525.

K.525 Source (OMR) Violin 2

Figure 5-5: Post-alignment visualization of the OMR Violin 2 part in K.525.

K.525 Target (MIDI) Viola



Figure 5-6: Post-alignment visualization of the MIDI Viola part in K.525.

K.525 Source (OMR) Viola

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Figure 5-7: Post-alignment visualization of the OMR Viola part in K.525.

K.525 Target (MIDI) Cello

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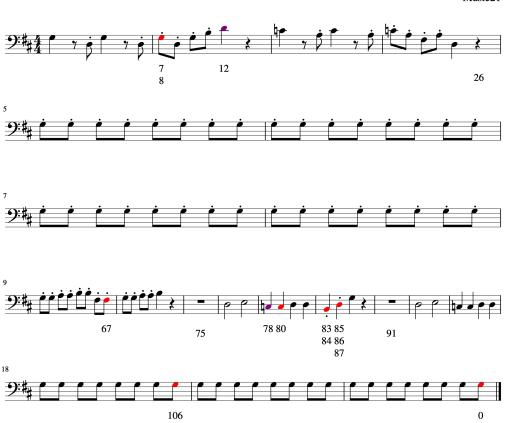


Figure 5-8: Post-alignment visualization of the MIDI Cello part in K.525.

K.525 Source (OMR) Cello, Bass

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Figure 5-9: Post-alignment visualization of the OMR Cello and Bass part in K.525.

5.1.3.1 A Closer Look at Specifics of processrunner

A lot of magic happens within processRunner, all of which is described at a high level in sections 4.1.1.1 - 4.1.1.4. Here are some salient details of the process in the context of K.525 that I think deserve notice:

- Bass Doubles Cello Part The OMR score has only four parts, whereas the MIDI score has 5. The checkBassDoublesCello method in OMRMIDICorrector is able to correctly identify this and thus does not reject the input on the basis of having a mismatching number of parts in the stream.
- Rhythmic Fault Tolerance: Beginning Rests The first measure in the OMR score is a scanning and parsing error. The Aligner is robust enough to identify the beginning rest as a insertion error.
- Rhythmic Fault Tolerance: Propagating Rhythmic Shifts By measure 5, we see that the OMR score has introduced a 16th note shift in the rhythm which continues for a few measures.
- Notation Fault Tolerance: Tremolos By measure 5 of the violin 2 part and by measure 10 of the viola part, the repeated 16th notes get notated with tremolo slashes in the original OMR score. Of course, the MIDI protocol doesn't have a way of representing tremolo, so the notes are written out in long form. The corrector is able to match the written out repeated notes in the MIDI to the (incorrectly) scanned corresponding notes in the OMR.

5.1.4 Similarity Metrics

Recall that the similarityScore is the ratio of NoChange operations to the total number of operations in the changes list. For each pair of streams in K.525, the similarityScore and changesCount are listed below:

	similarityScore	changesCount
Violin 1	0.51	{NoChange: 83, Ins: 30, Del: 10, Sub: 39}
Violin 2	0.30	{NoChange: 74, Ins: 125, Del: 9, Sub: 38}
Viola	0.72	{NoChange: 97, Ins: 21, Del: 9, Sub: 8}
Cello/Bass	0.87	{NoChange: 107, Del: 11, Sub: 5}

Table 5.1: similarityScore and changesCount for every pair of aligned streams

5.2 Timing