

Music Production with Artificial Intelligence

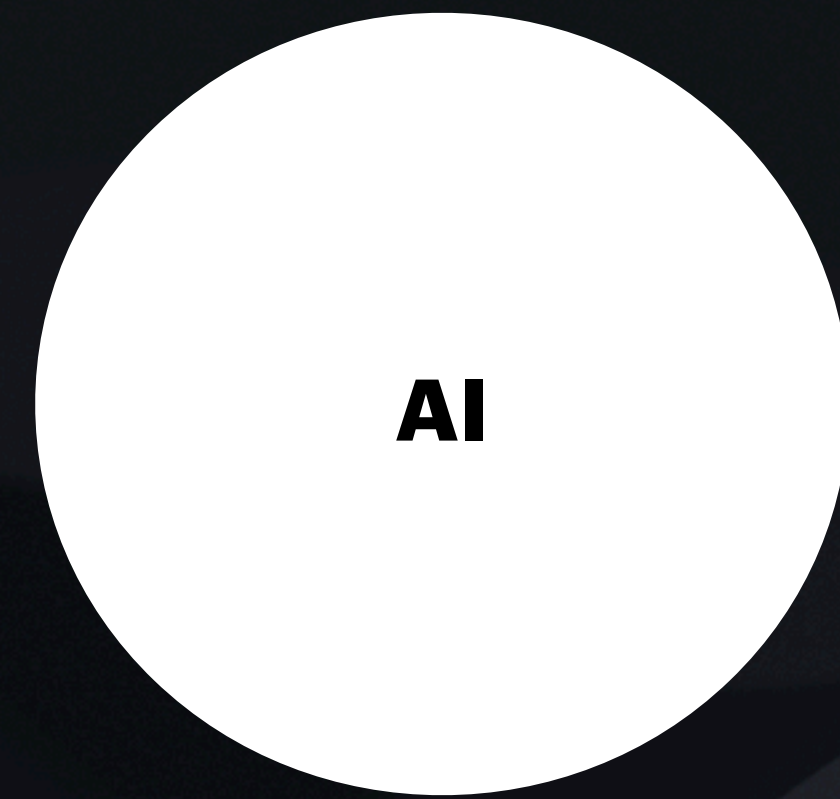
Introducing myself

- Interdisciplinary background (Computer Science, Music)
- Musician / media artist
- Currently working mostly for Muse Group (Ultimate Guitar, MuseScore,...)

- <https://martingasser.com>

Motivation

- How can computers understand/produce music?
- Which tasks in a music production workflow can be accomplished by AI systems?
- What are the ramifications of widespread use of AI systems?
- Which AI-based music creation tools are available?
- Hands-on exploration of tools



AI

AI

**Machine
Learning**

Big Data

**Machine
Learning**

AI

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Big Data

**Machine
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**Generative
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**Machine
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**Generative
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**Large Language
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Big Data

**Machine
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**Diffusion
Models**

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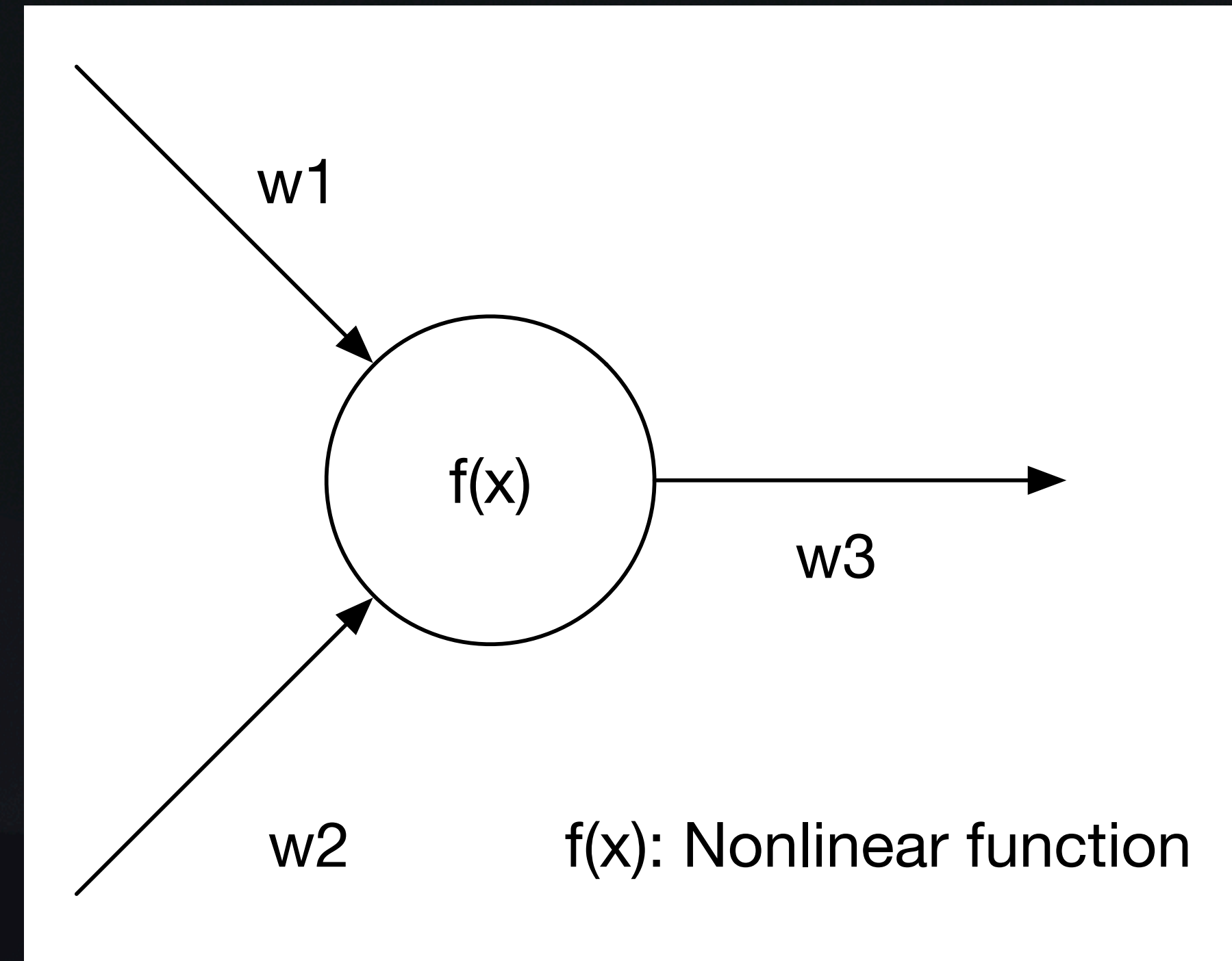
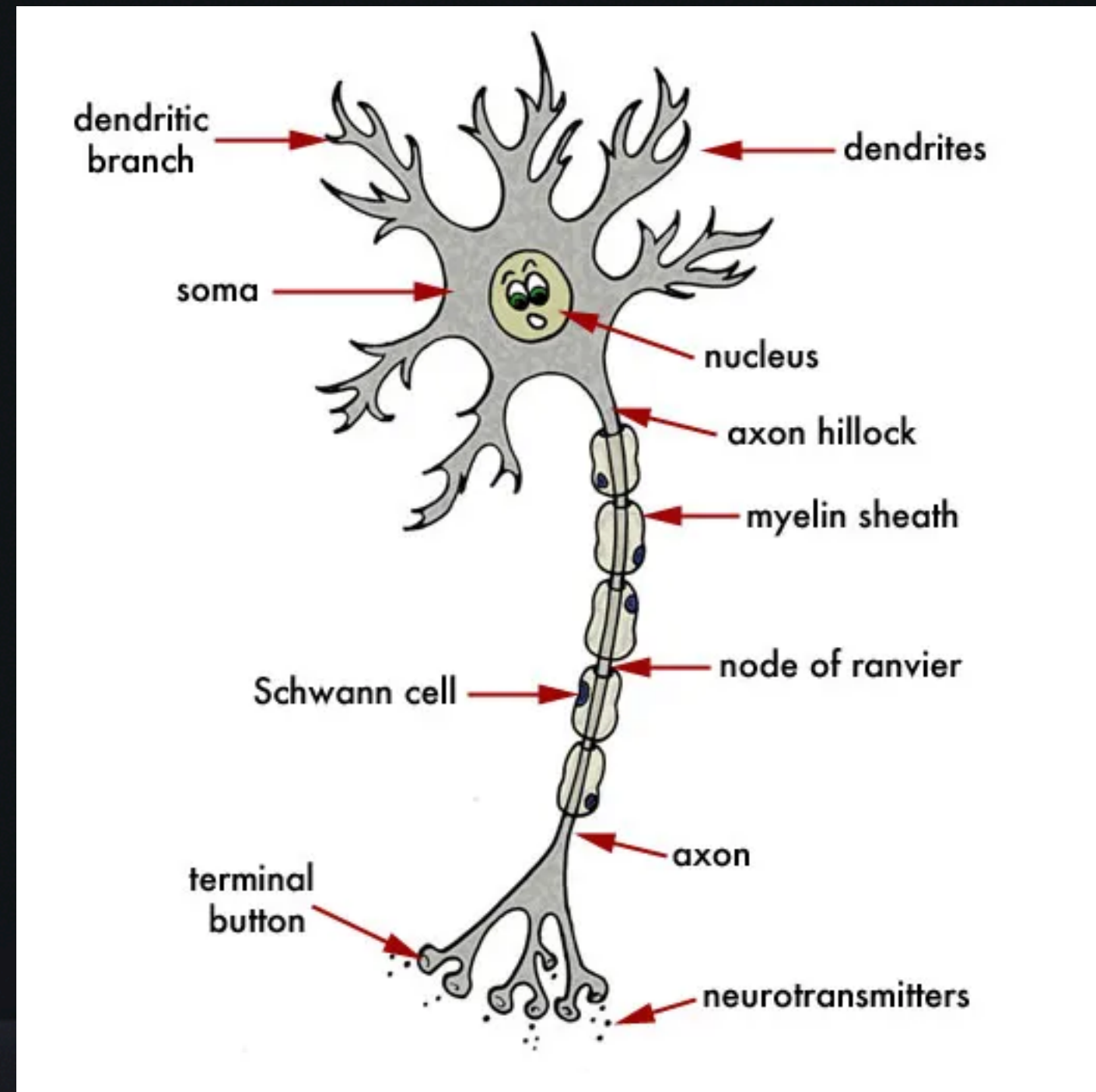
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**Large Language
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“Naive” Artificial Intelligence

Create a clone of the human mind by meticulously copying the human brain

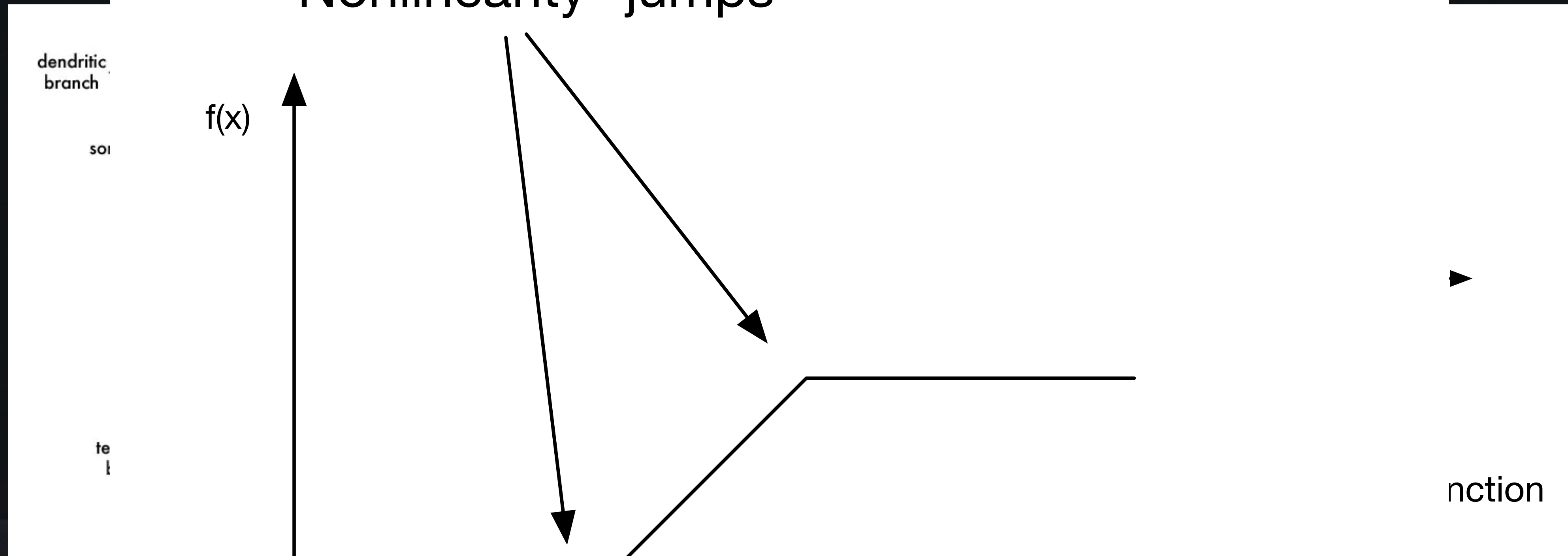
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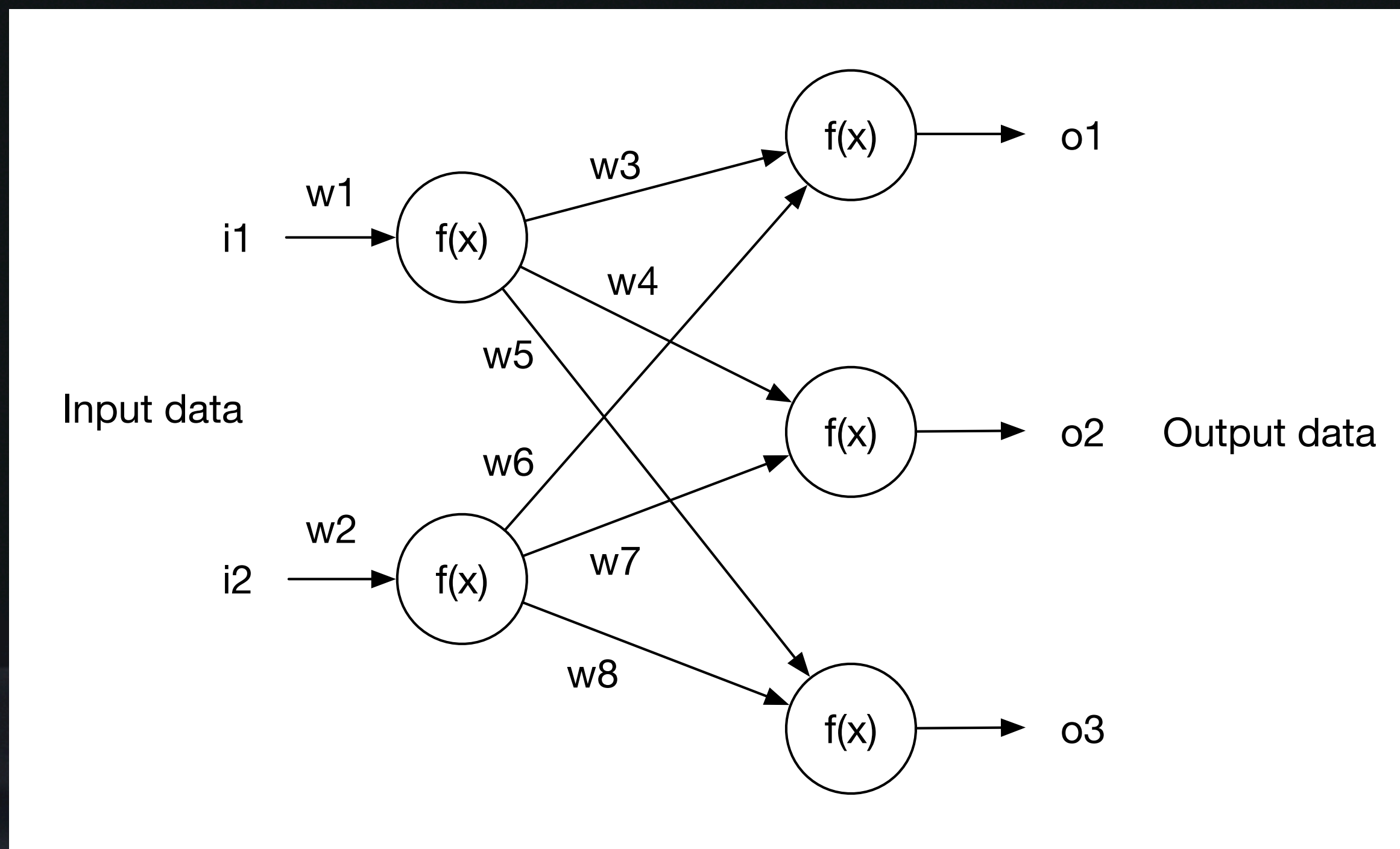
$f(x)$ simulates behaviour of cell nucleus (action potential)

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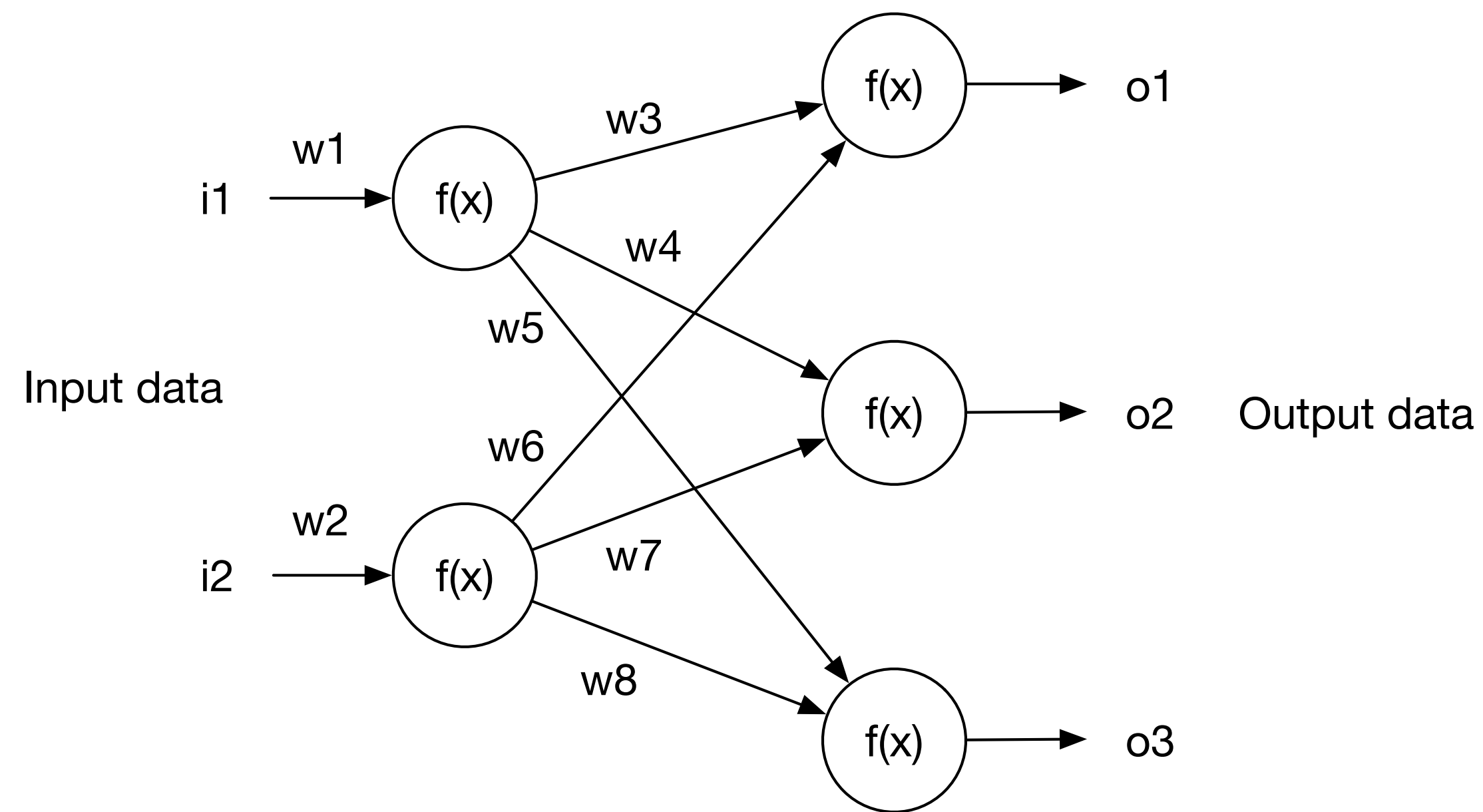
Nonlinearity “jumps”



Operation of neural networks (NN)

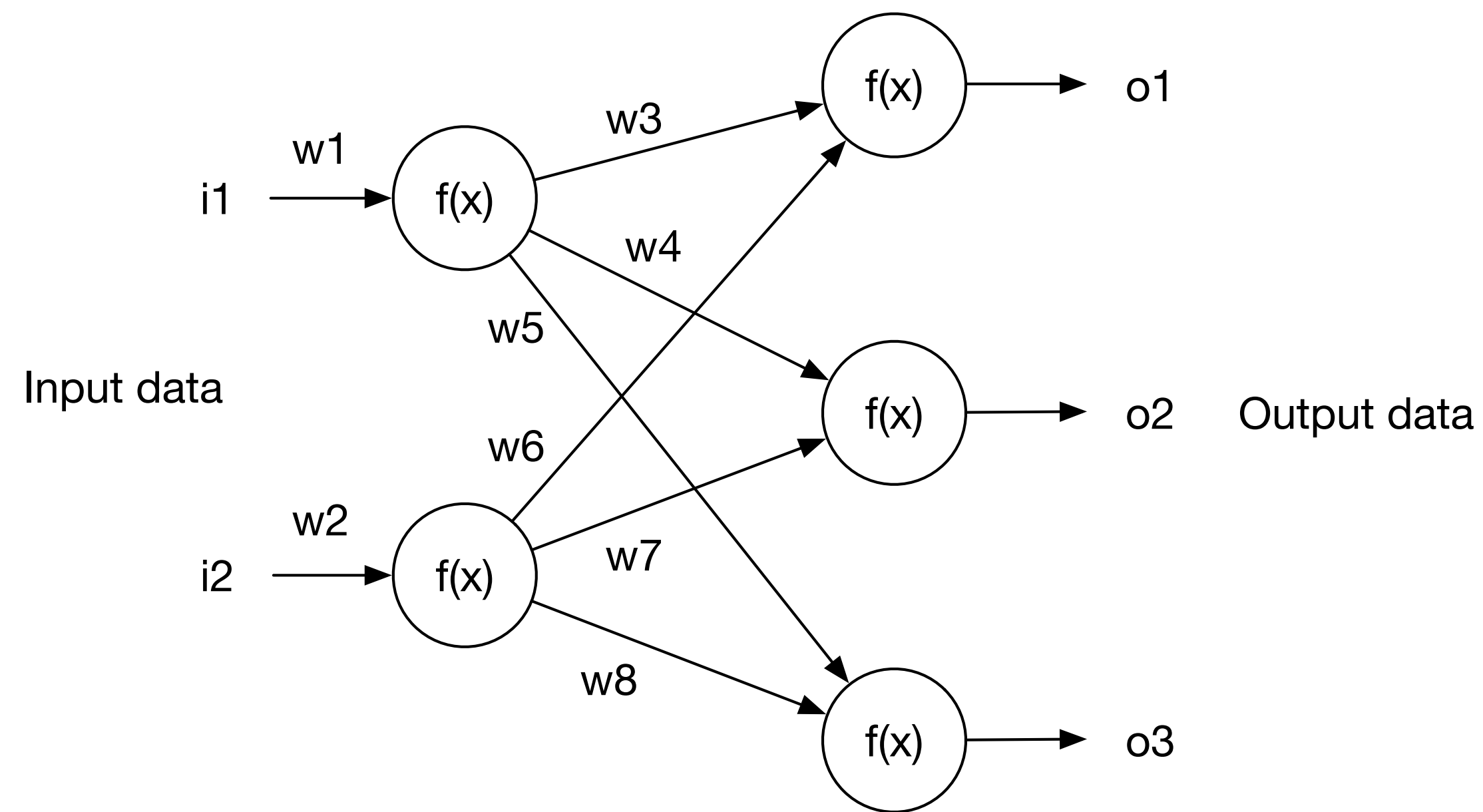


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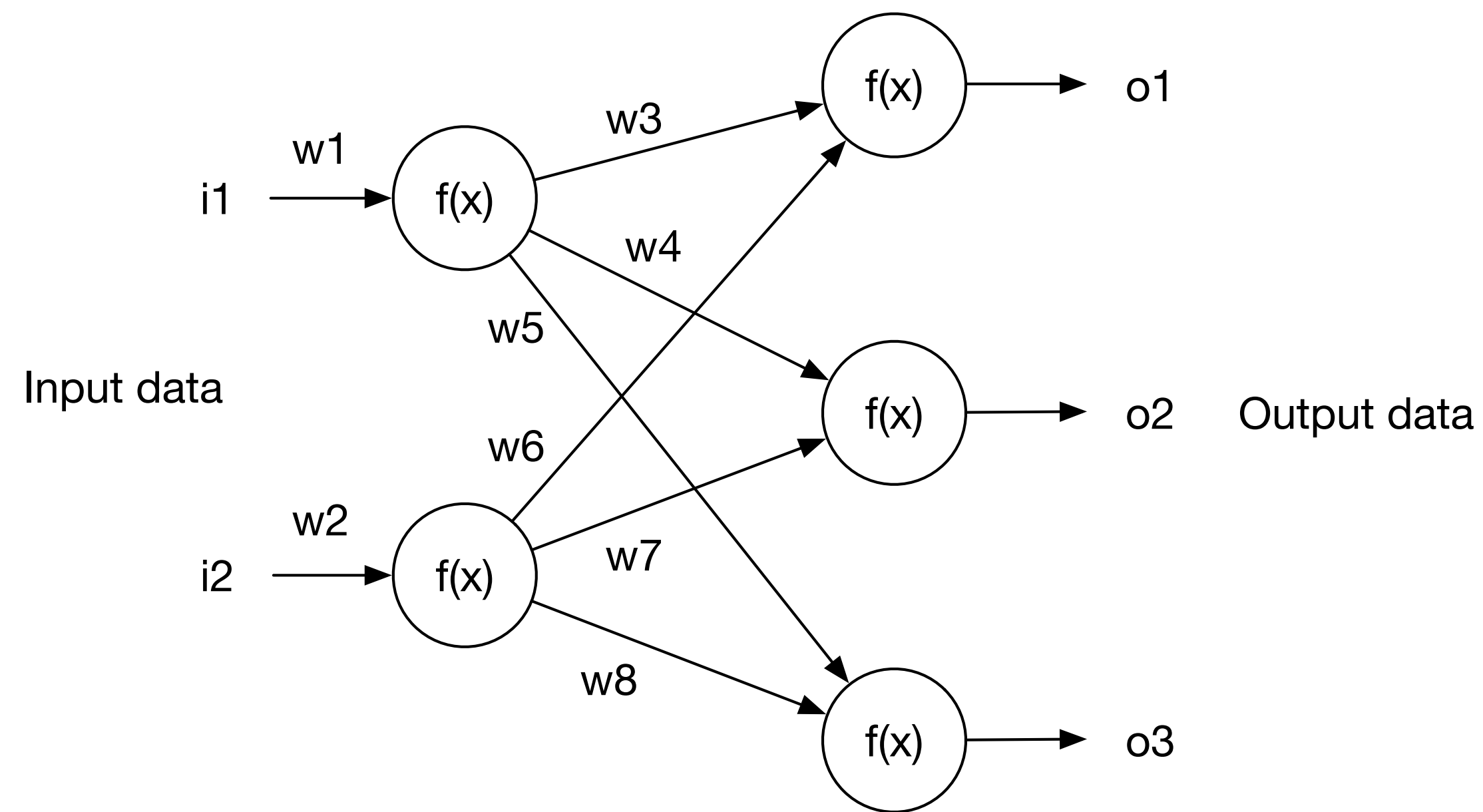


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NN inference:

- ➔ infer output data from input data

Problems...

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Training algorithms?

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Data?

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Computing resources?

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AI winter

Consequences

Neural Networks were **not taken seriously** for a long time

Dominance of

- Statistical methods
- Classical pattern recognition
- Rule-based systems

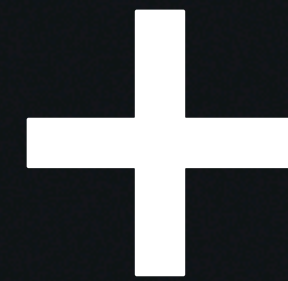
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Cheap and powerful GPU's

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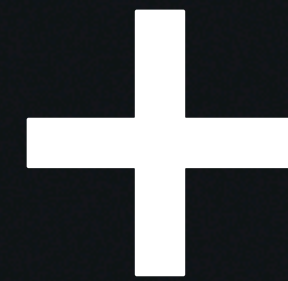
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Deep Learning Revolution

Deep Learning timeline

- 2012: Deep Learning outperforms classical image recognition algorithms
- 2014: Invention of Generative Adversarial Networks
- 2015: Google Deep Dream, StyleGAN
- 2017: Attention mechanism, transformers
- 2018: GPT, Large Language Models (LLM's)
- 2022: Stable Diffusion, ChatGPT
- ...what's next?

AI in music (1)

Music Information Retrieval: Use AI/ML technology to analyze and organize music

Examples:

- Music Recommendation Systems ([Spotify](#), [Apple Music](#)...)
- Music teaching ([MuseClass](#), [MakeMusic](#),...)
- Music transcription ([Basic Pitch](#))

Music Recommendation

Find **similar** music

Similarity

- Based on textual descriptions / metadata
- Based on what other people listened to
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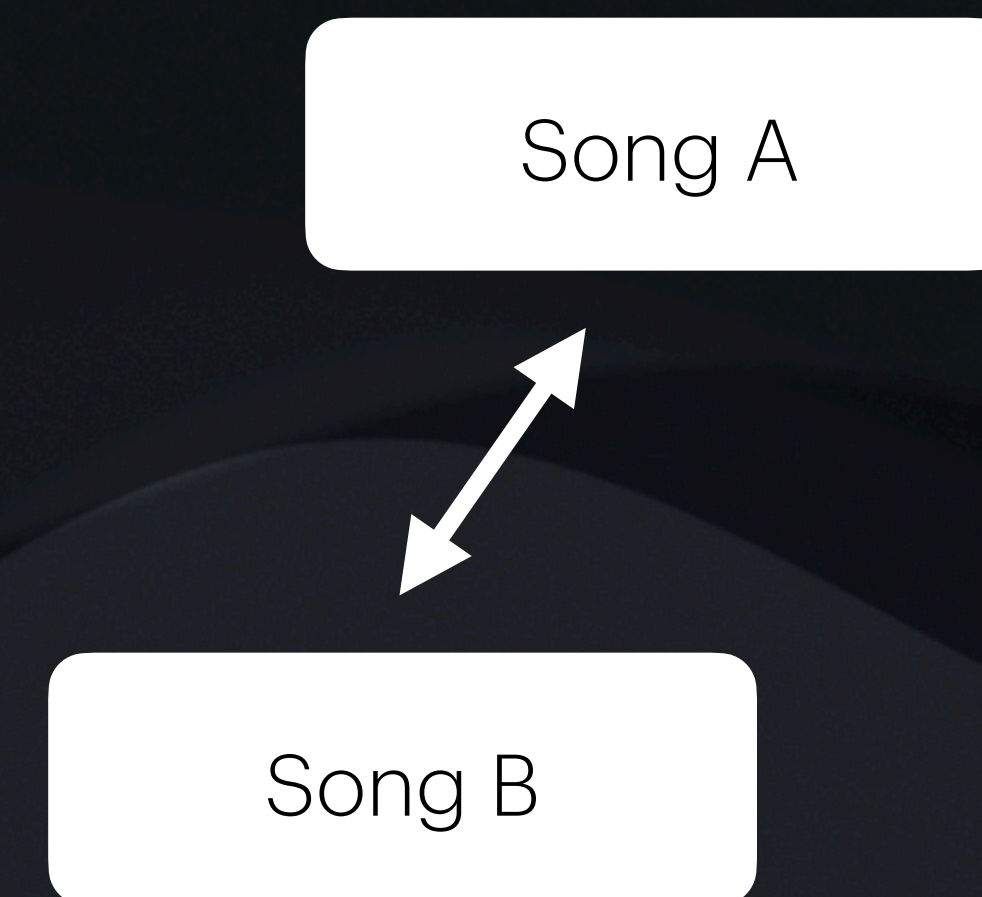
Song A

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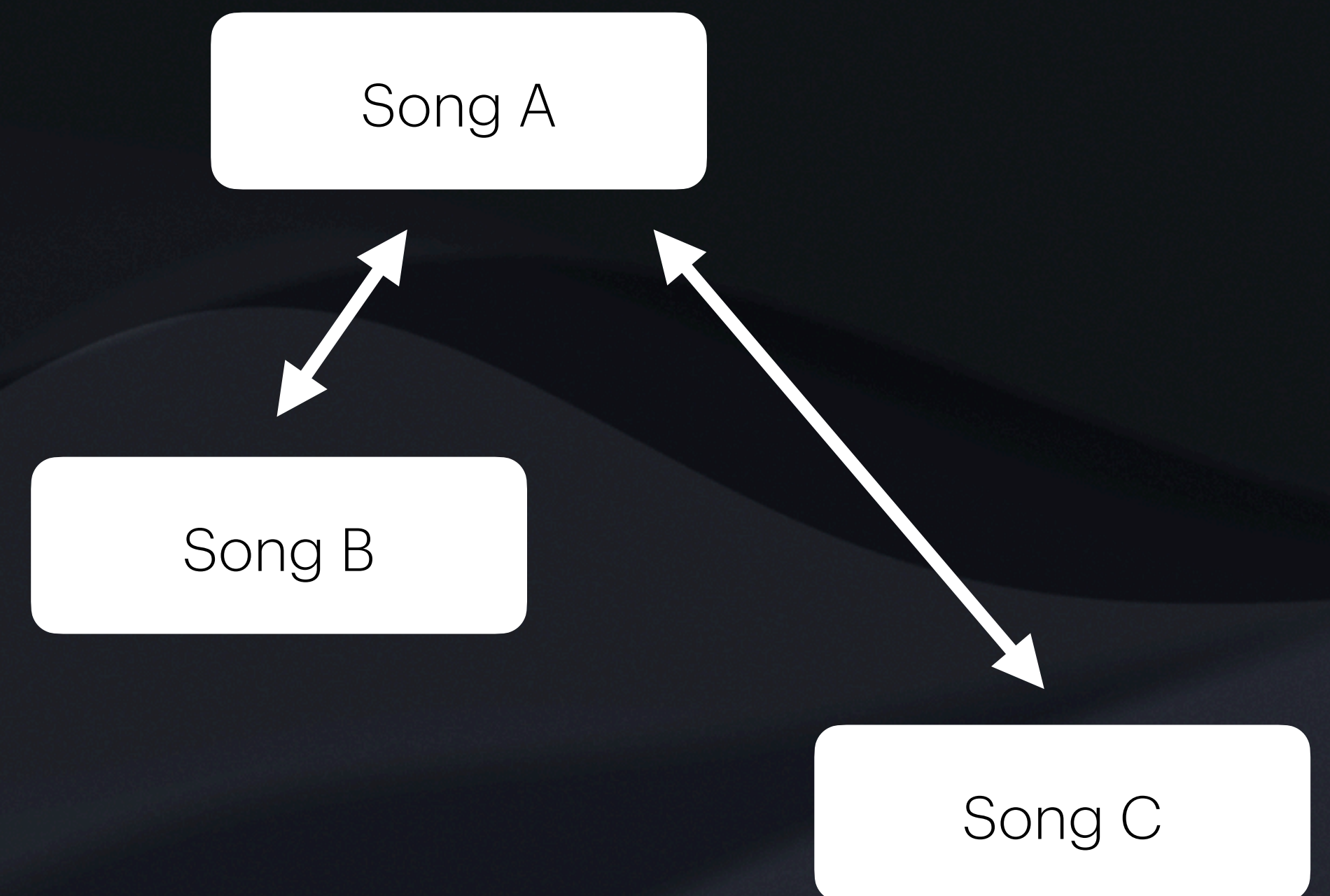


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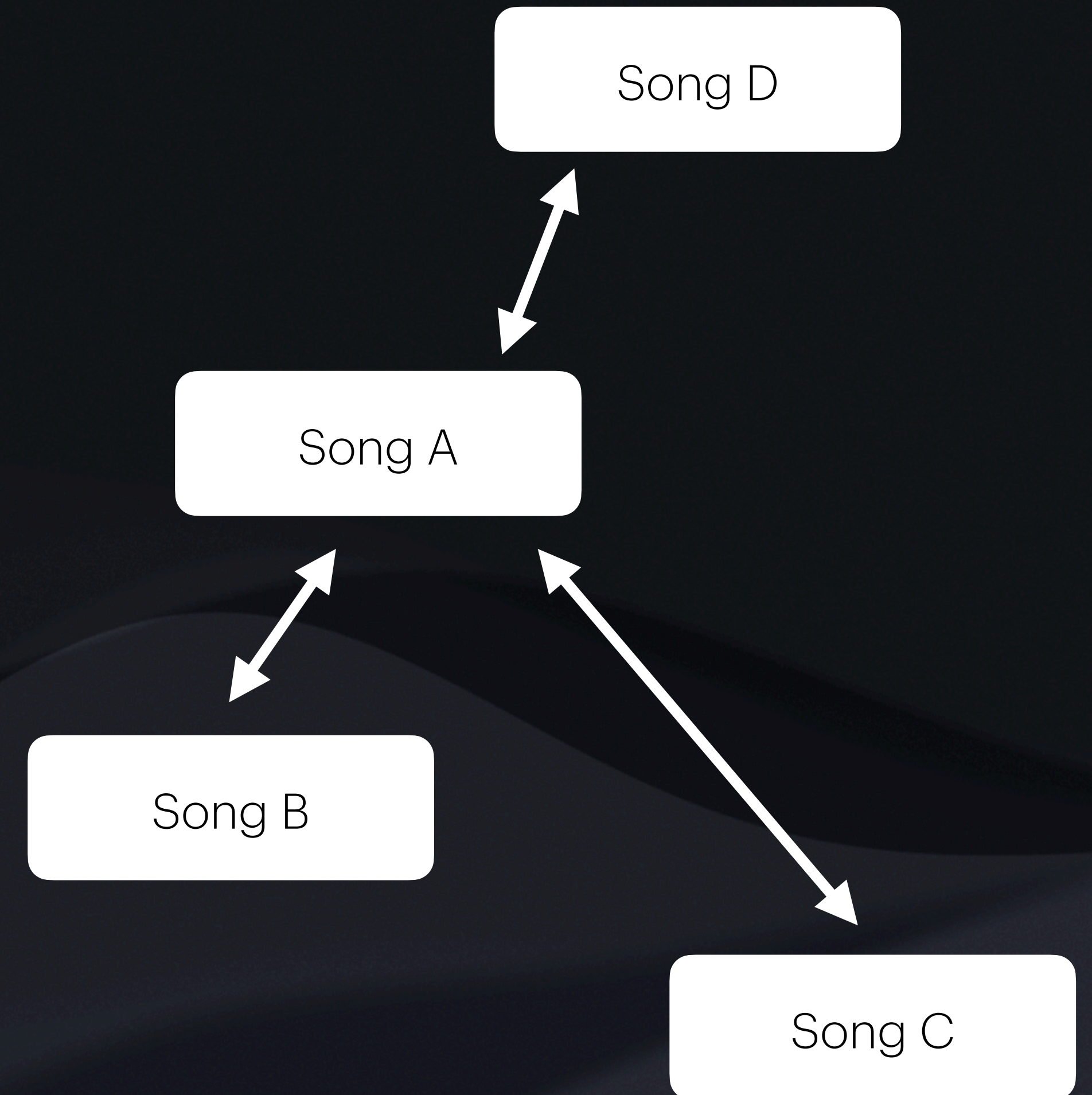


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Music teaching

Computer-supported music teaching

Teachers can distribute exercises to students on a web platform

Students can use an app to practice, app provides immediate automatic feedback after practice sessions

Music teaching

Computer

Teachers c

Students c
practice se



Introducing MuseClass



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Music transcription

Transform music from audio to “notation”

Upload audio

Get back a MIDI file

MIDI file can be subsequently modified and used in other applications

Music transcription



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BASiC
PITCH

AI in music (2)

Generative systems/composition assistants

Commercial DAW's start integrating AI features (e.g., [Apple Logic Pro](#))

ChatGPT can write (simple) chord progressions and melodies

Text to music/sound: [suno.ai](#), [Stable Audio](#)

Mixing/mastering assistants: [LANDR](#), [Cryo Mix](#)



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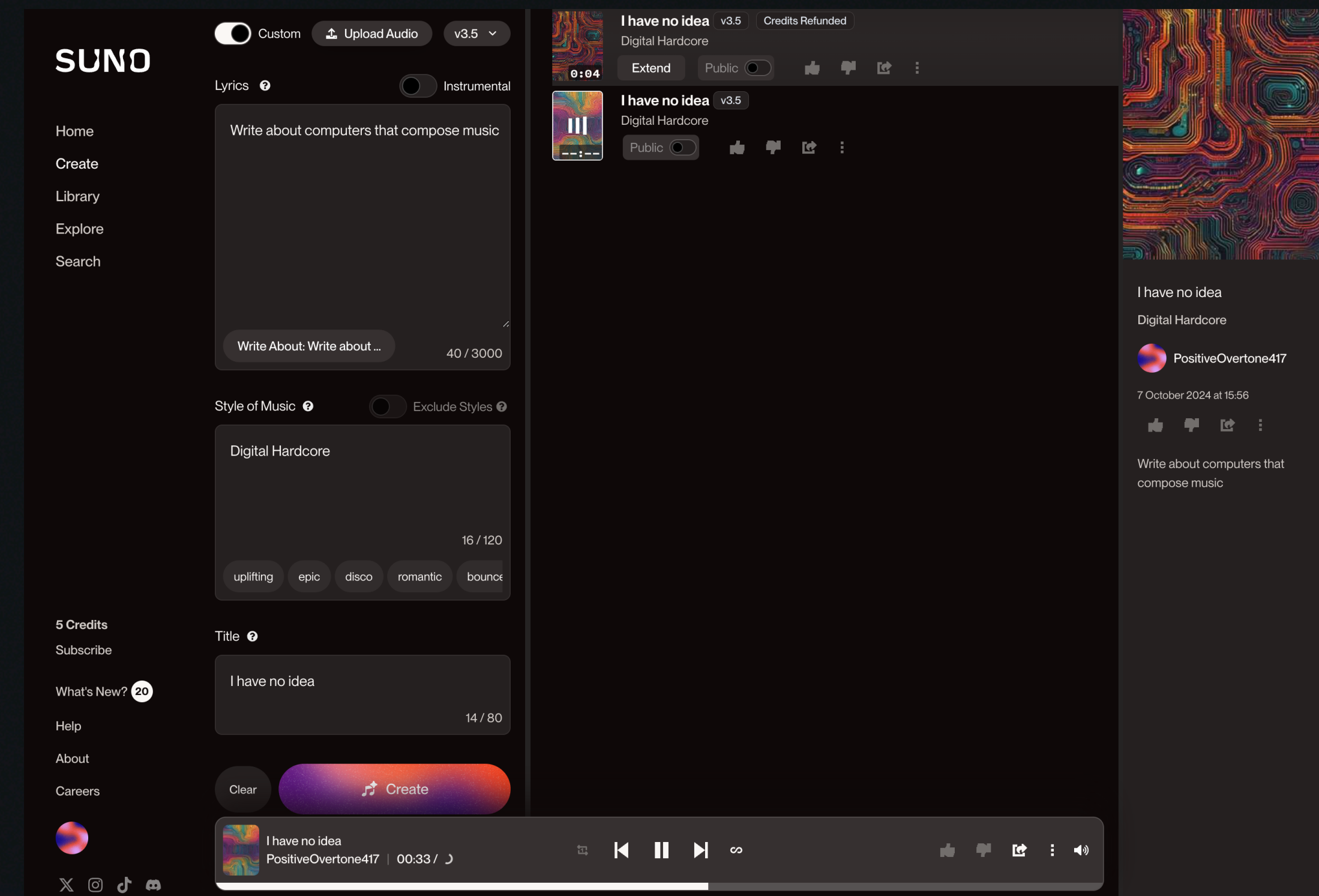
Generate music from textual descriptions

Consists of

- a **large language model** for understanding user prompts
- a **diffusion model** for music generation

High-quality output

Can even generate **convincing human voices**



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Tips:

Use **custom mode** to get more control over lyrics and song structure

Try to let ChatGPT **write lyrics** for a song

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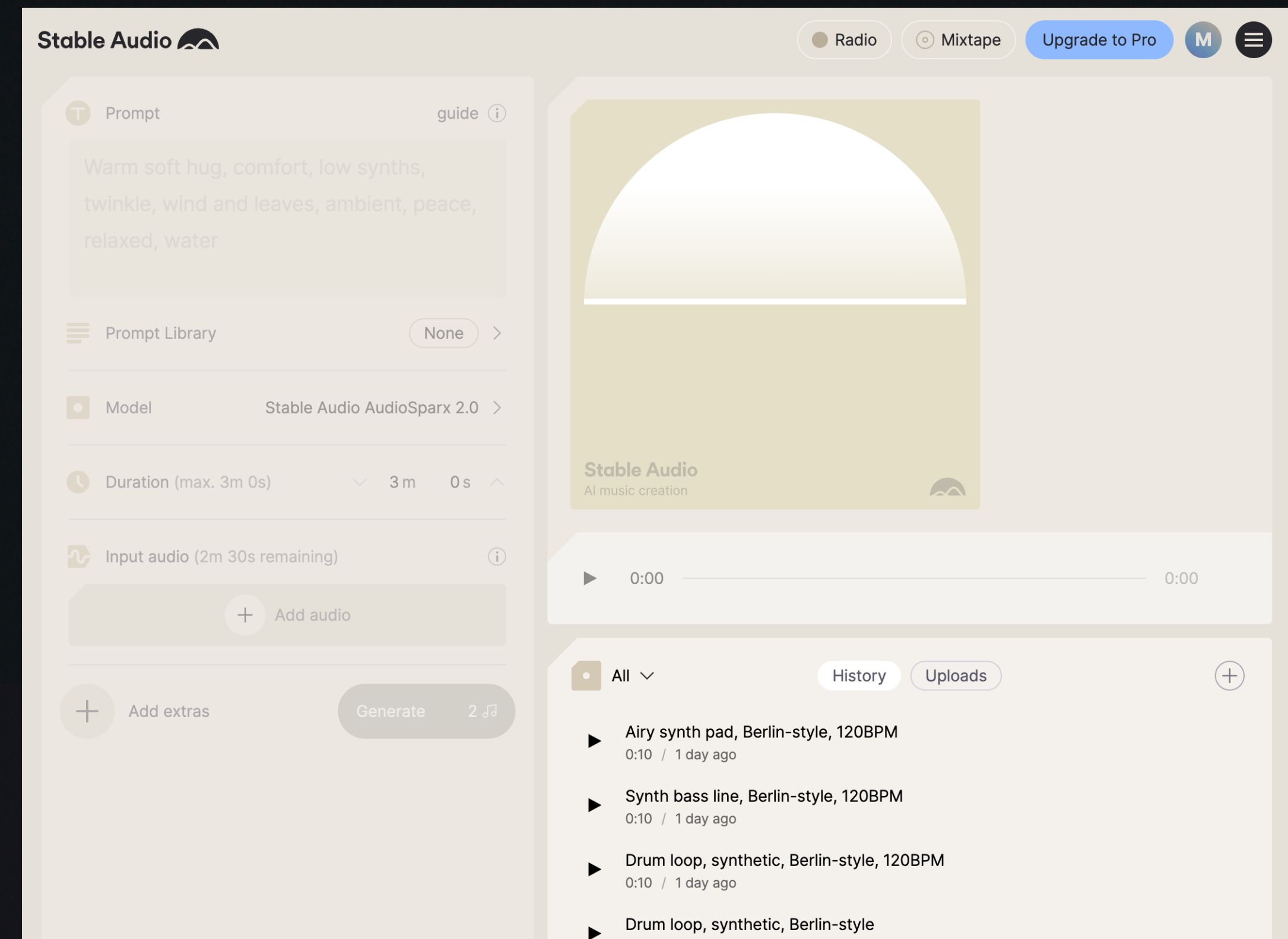
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Stable Audio



Based on **published research**

Transparent with respect to which training data was used

Free/open version can be **self-hosted** and used to build custom applications

Stable Audio

Tips:

More suitable to generate individual **stems** (e.g., a drum track or a bass line)

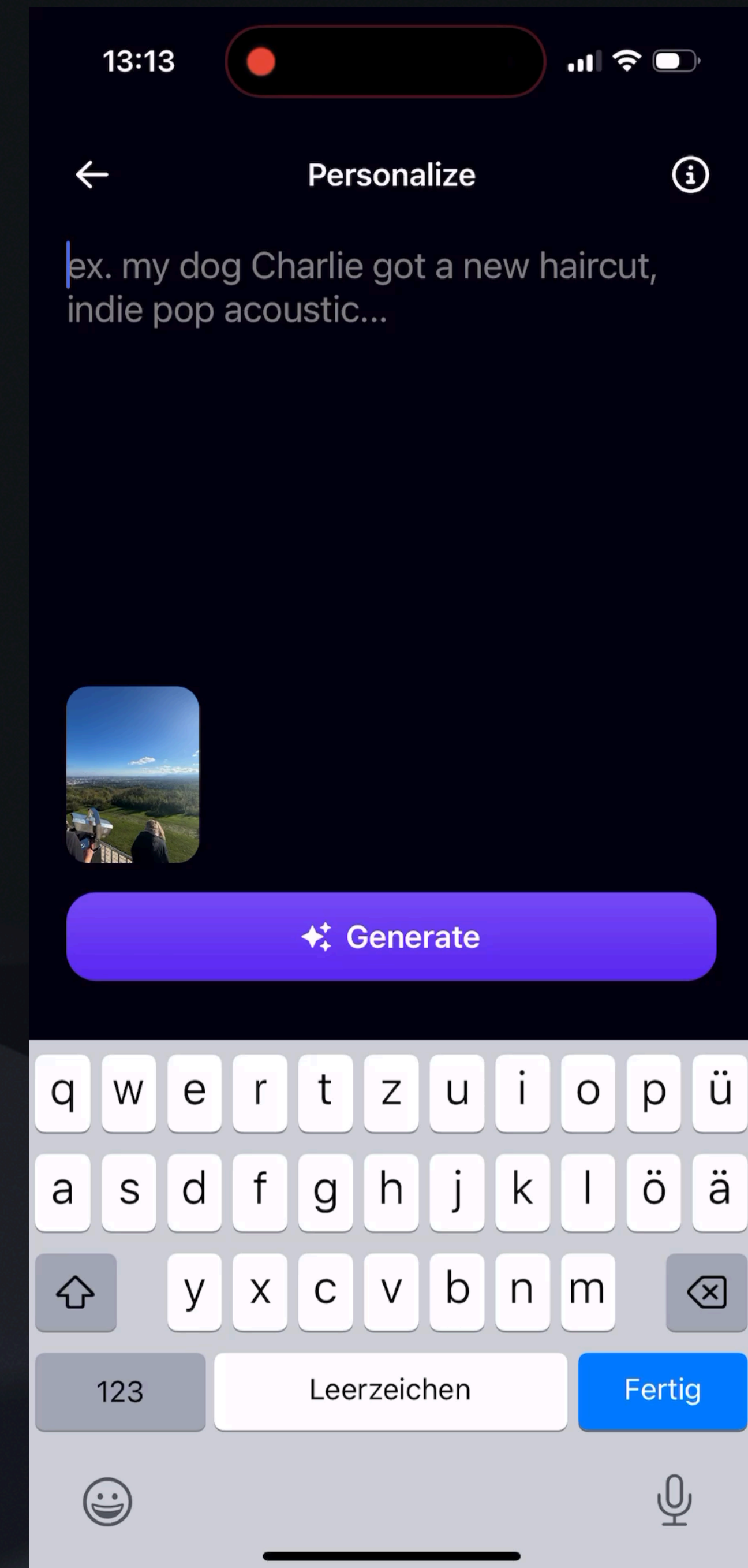
Also very useful for **ambience** and **sound effects**

See <https://www.stableaudio.com/user-guide/>

Riffusion

Fun way to create lyrics and music based on text prompts and/or photos

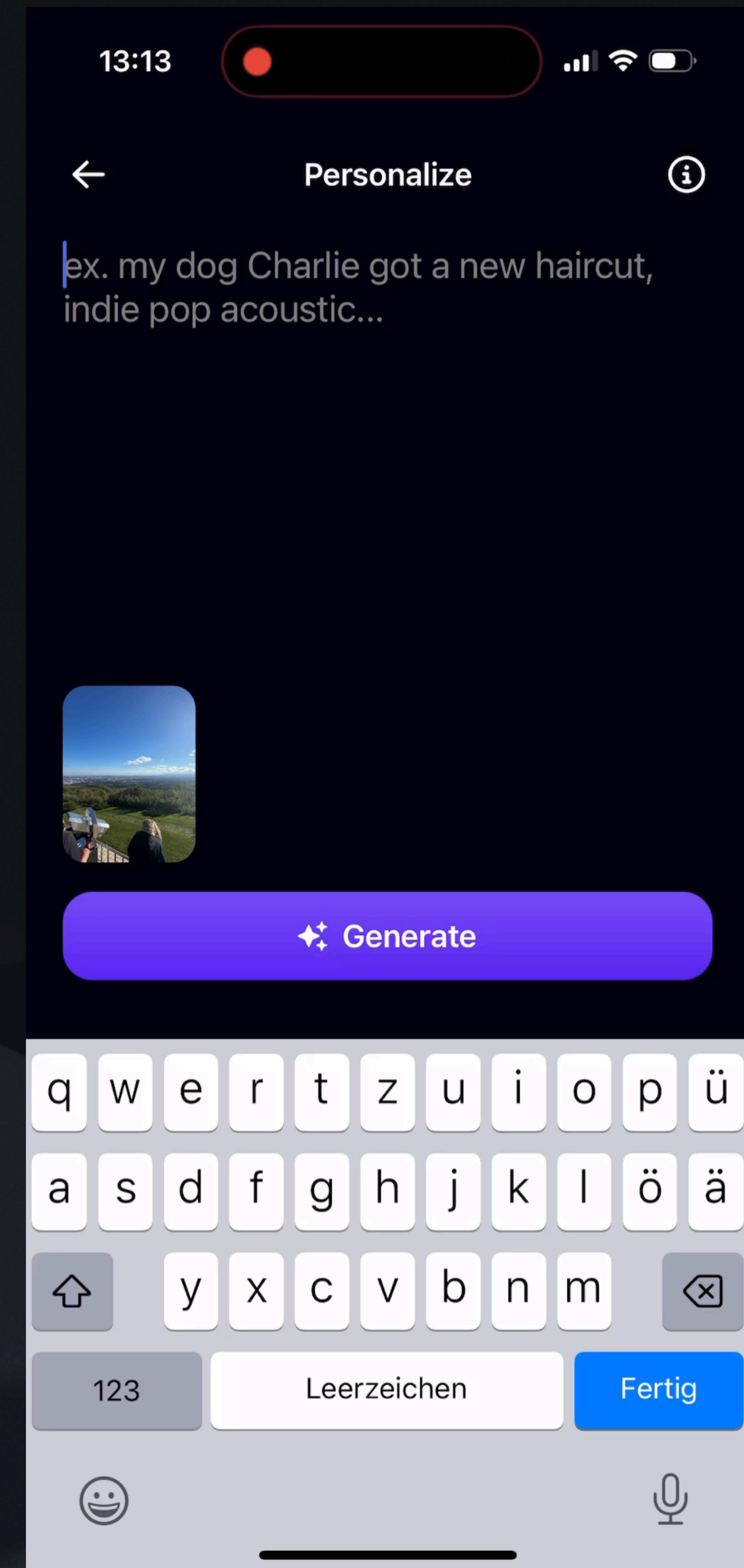
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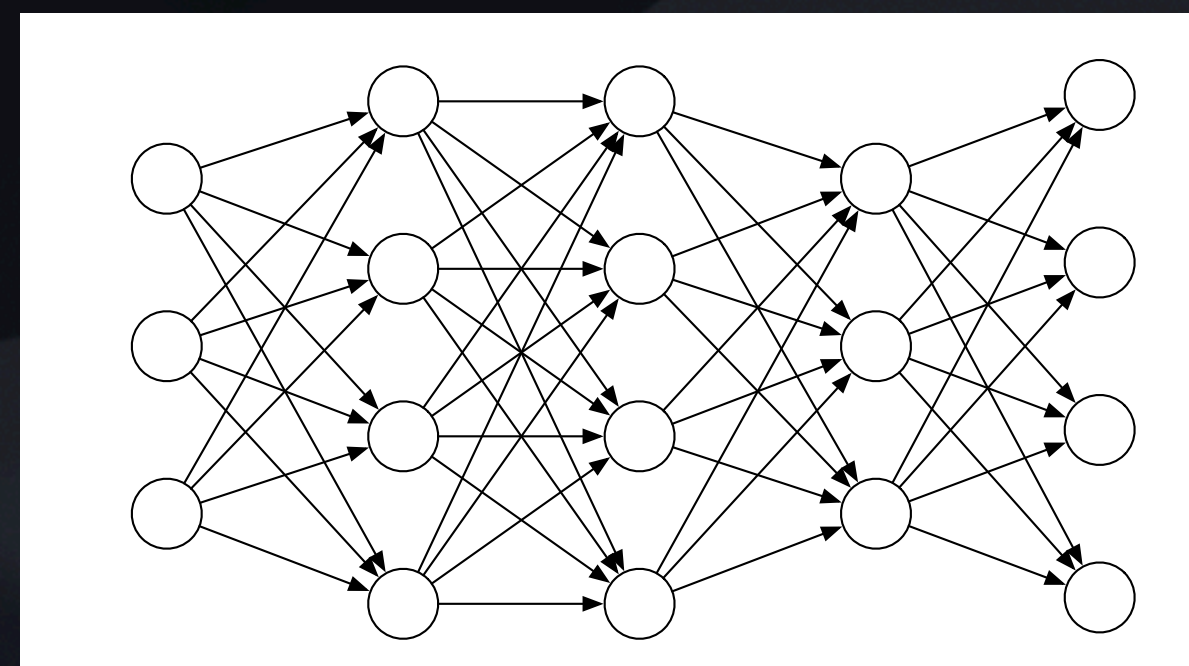
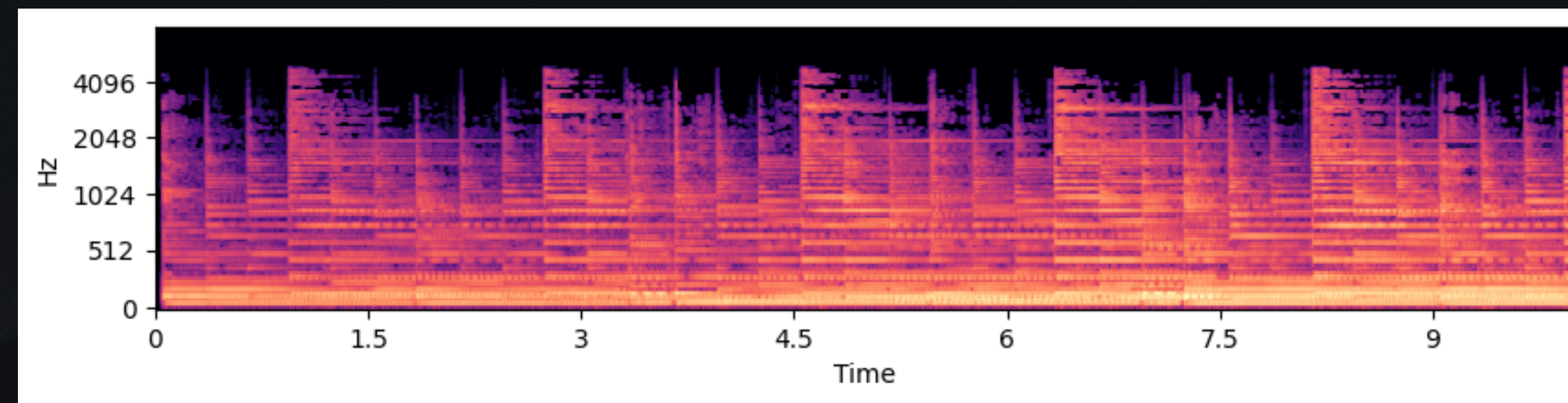
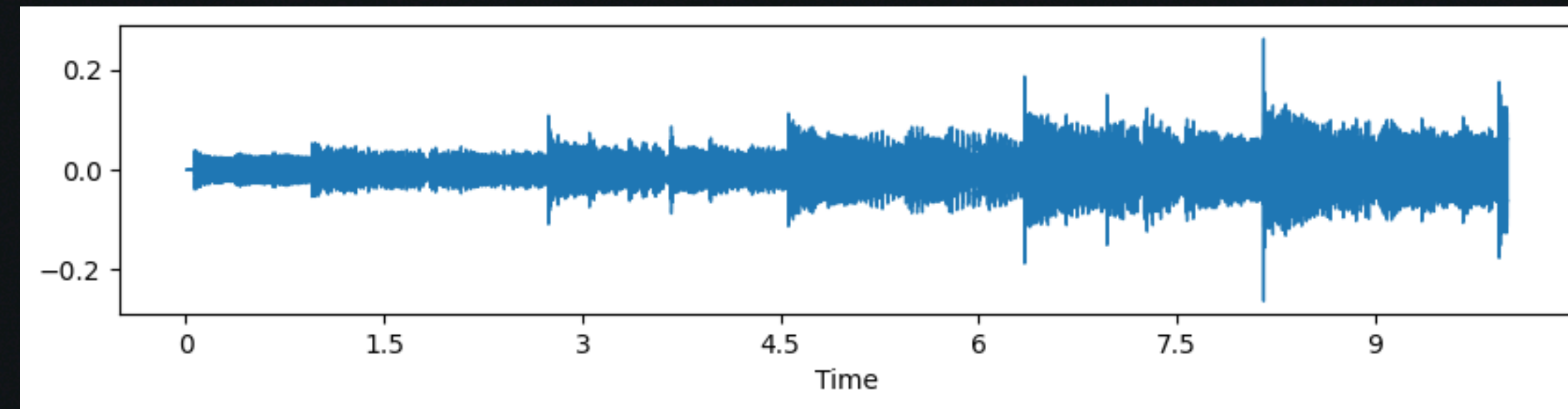
AI in music (3)

Source separation/track splitting: [Spleeter](#) ([Colab](#))

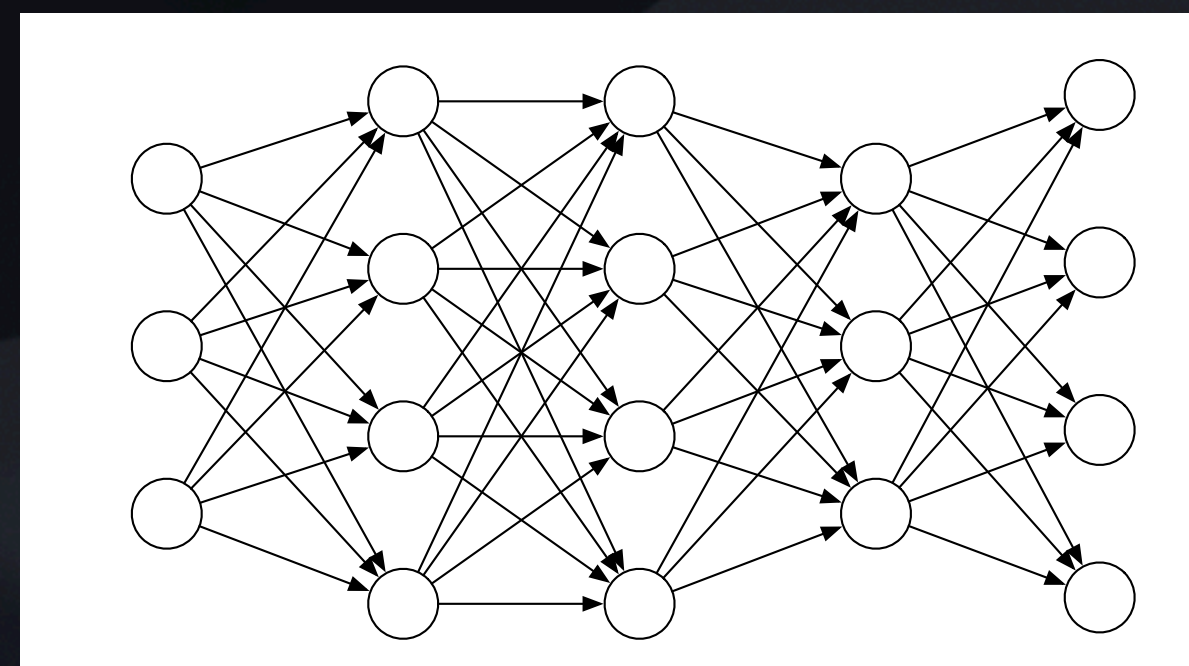
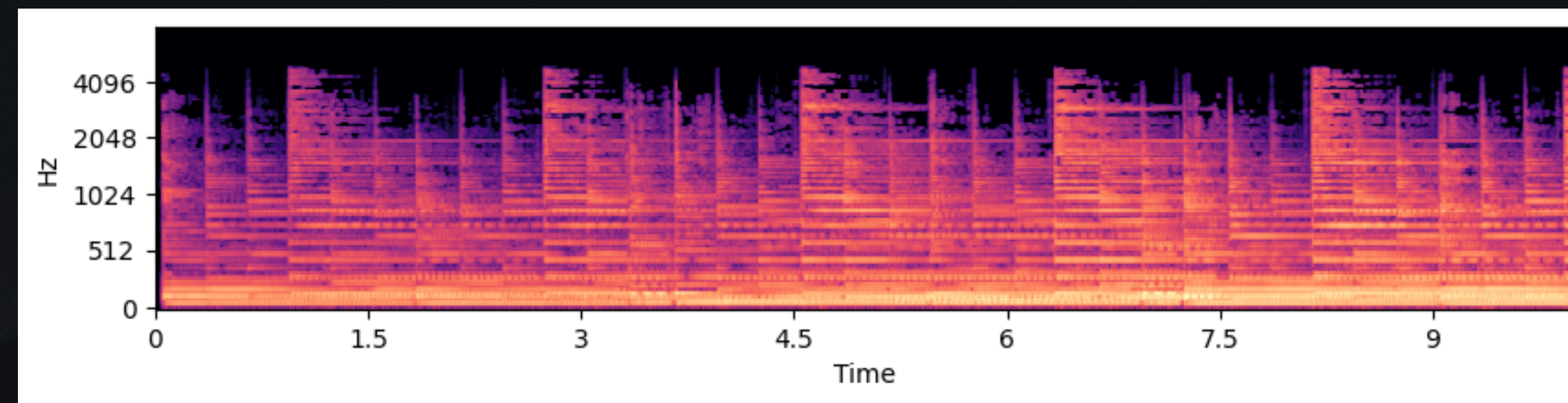
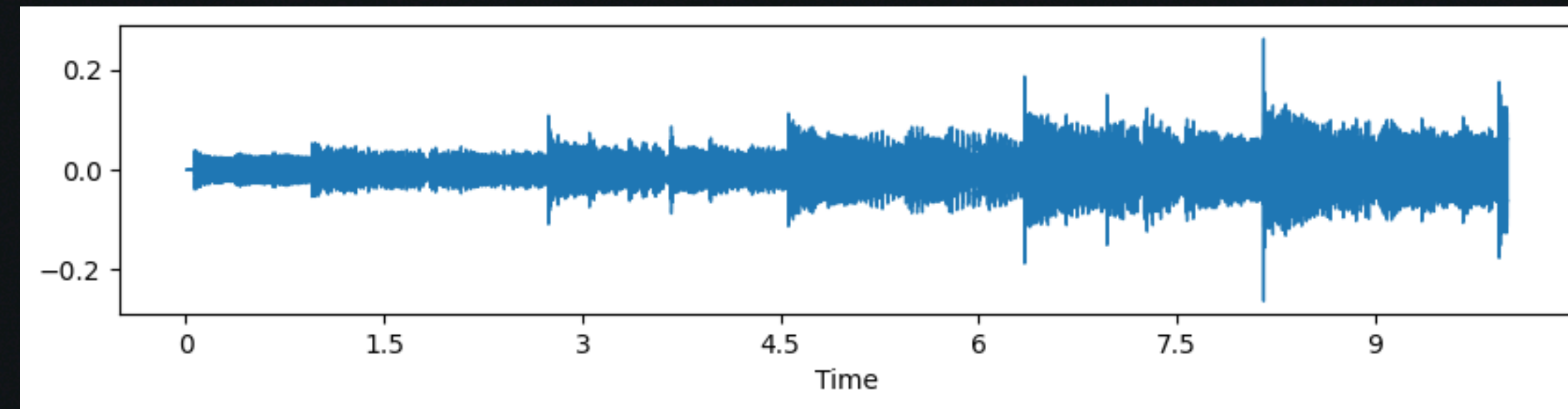
Speech synthesis: [murf.ai](#), [OpenAI TTS](#)

Speech recognition: [OpenAI Whisper](#) ([HF space](#))

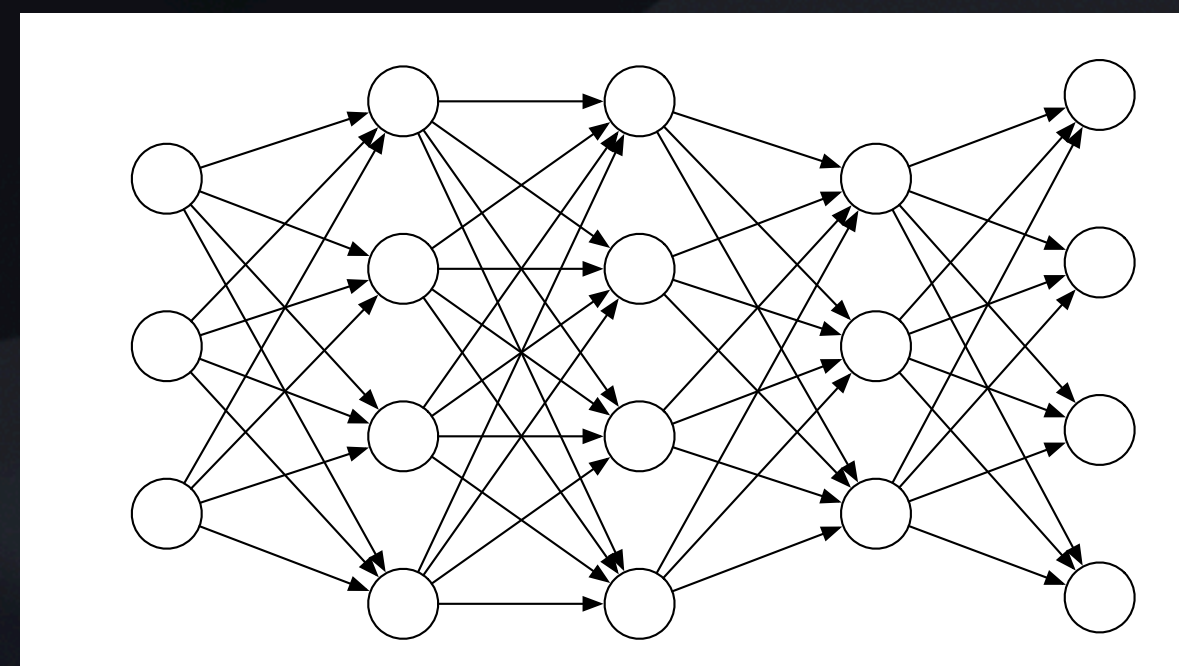
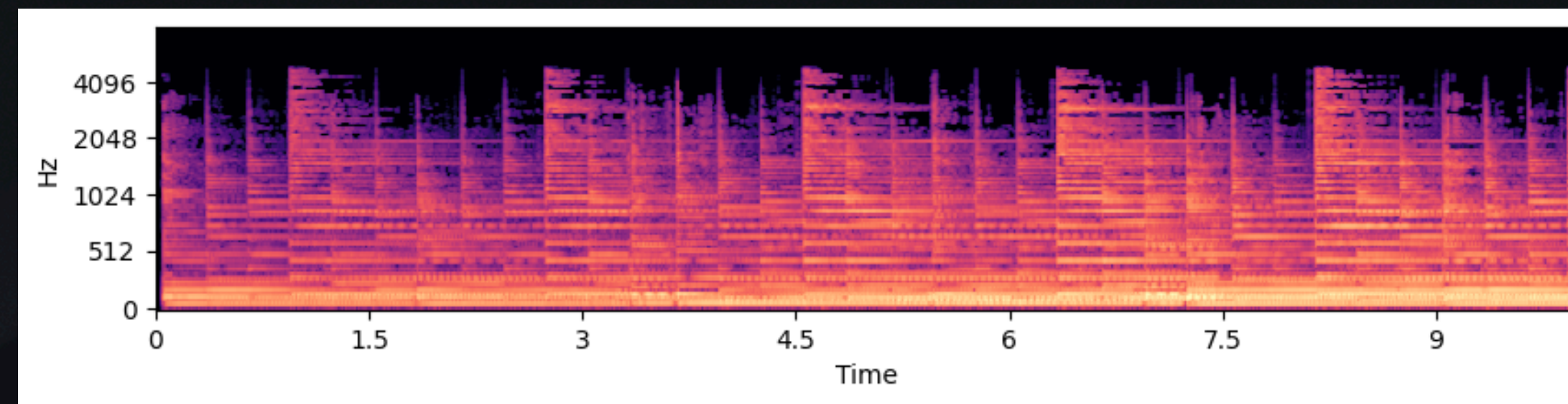
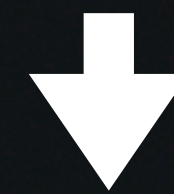
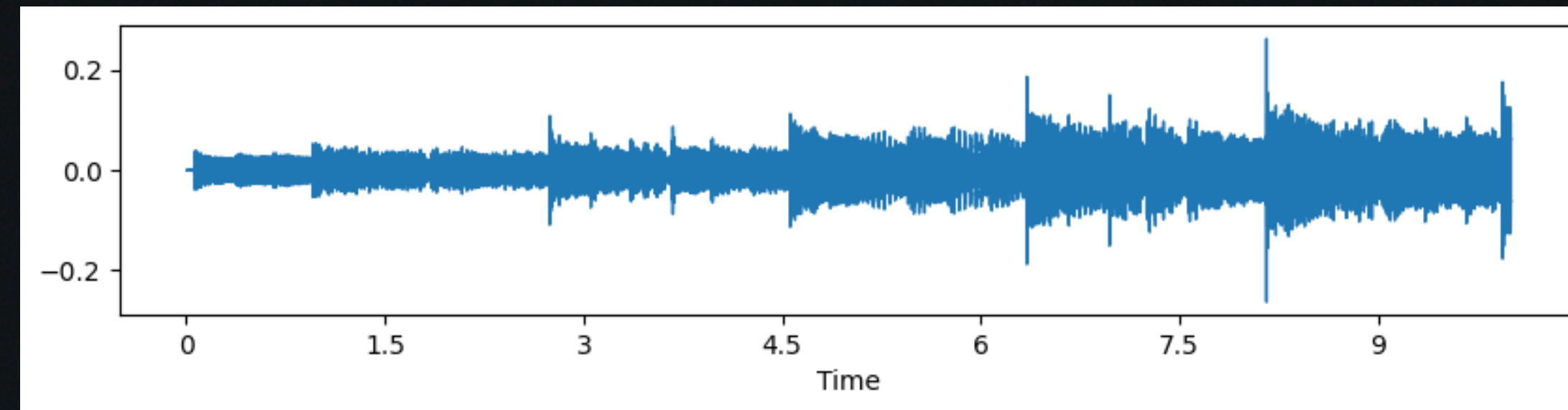
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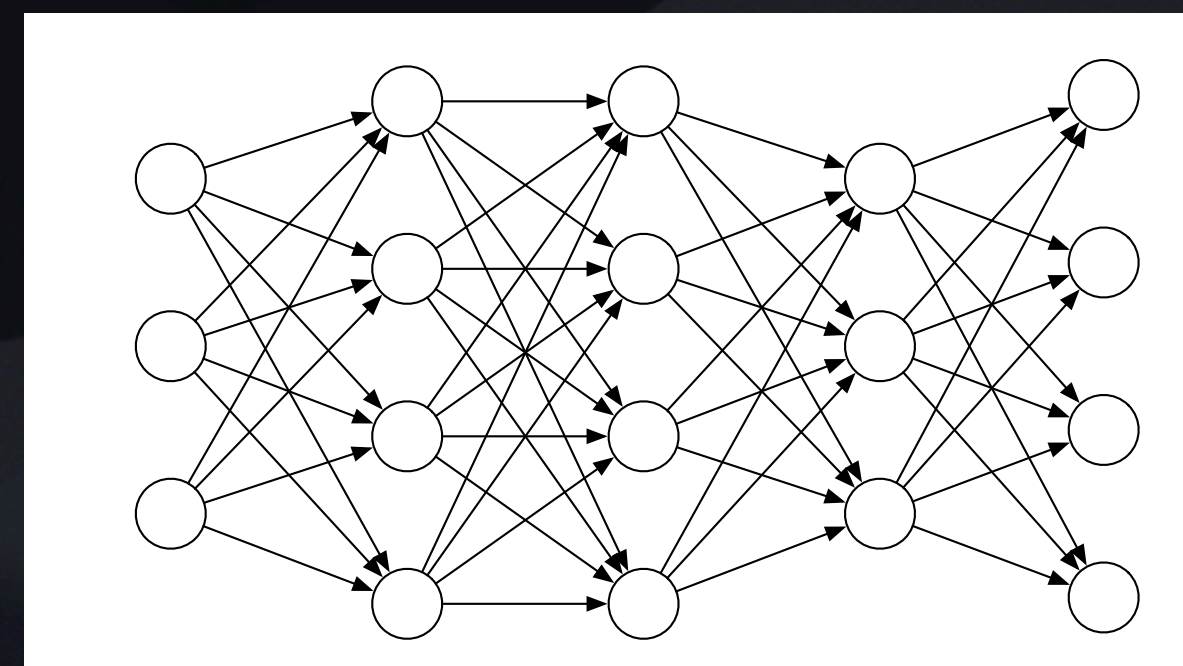
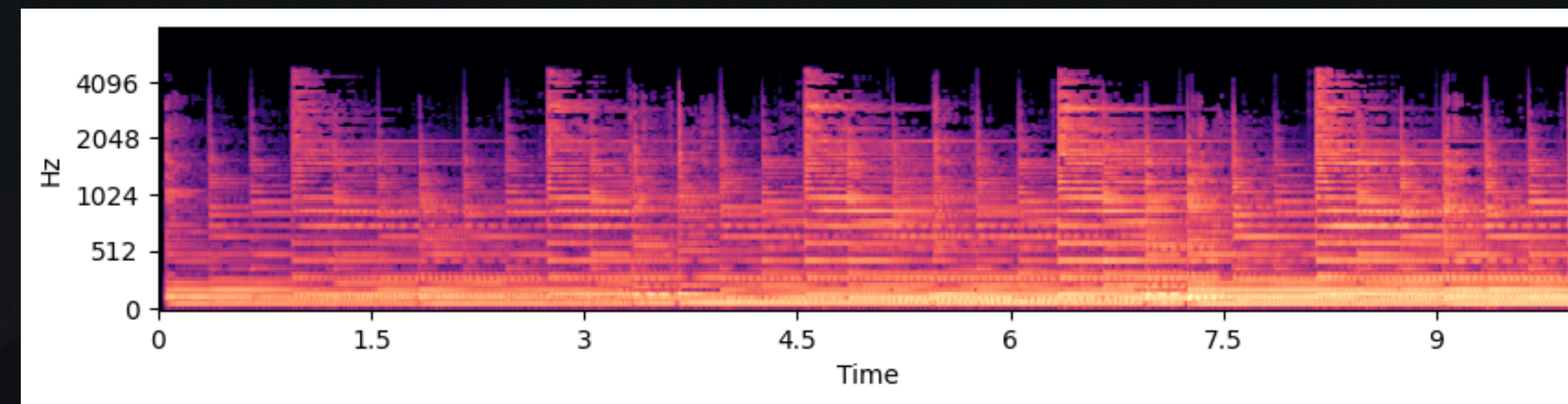
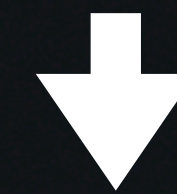
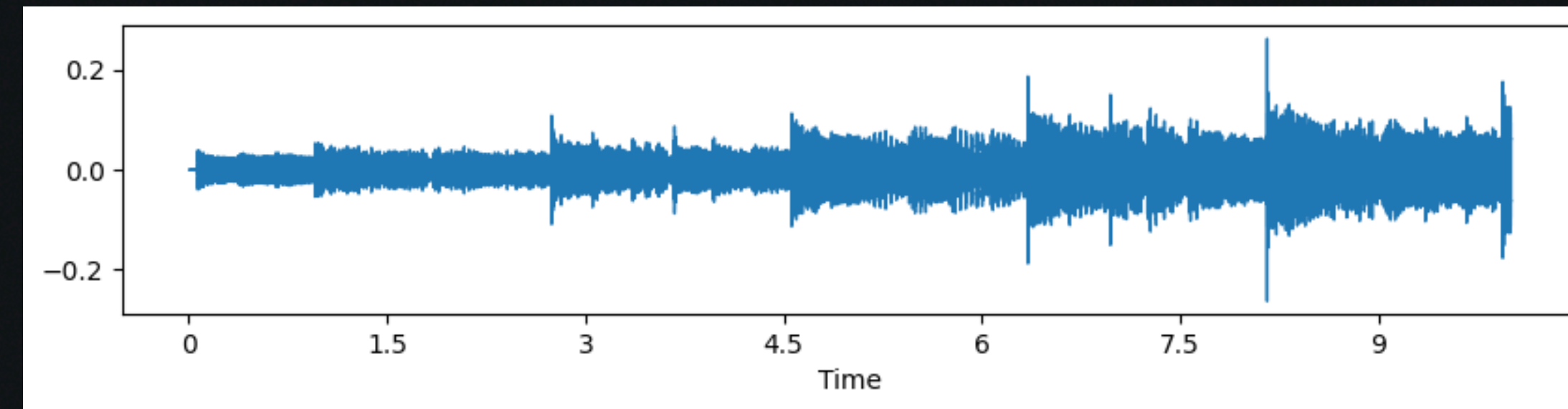


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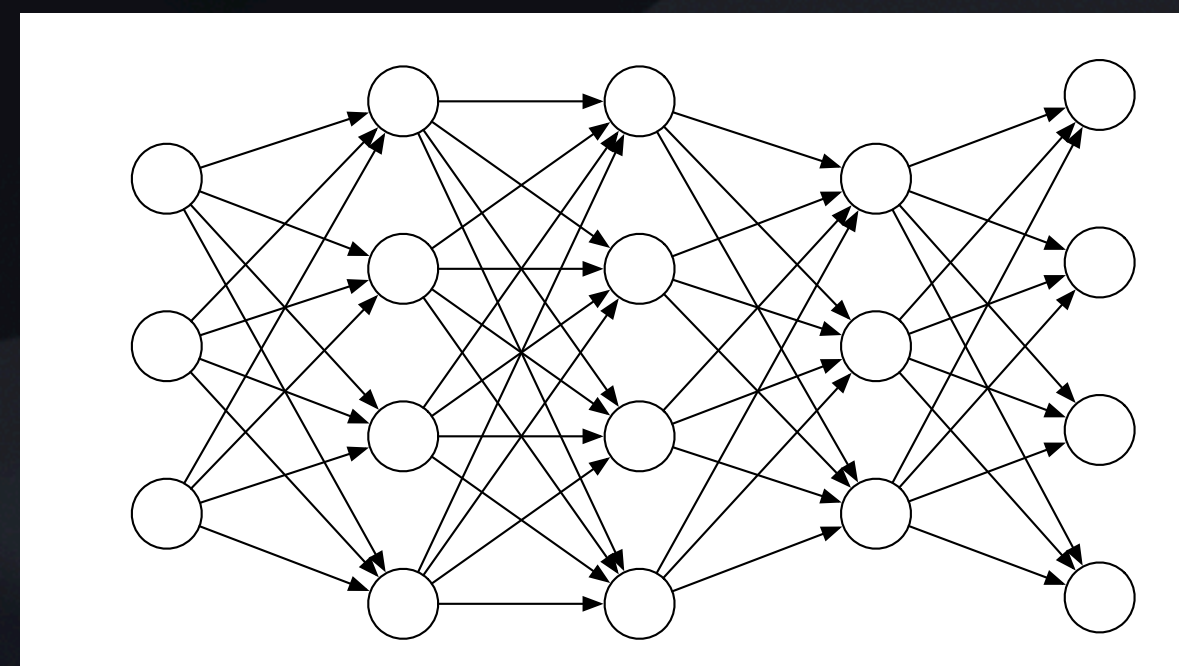
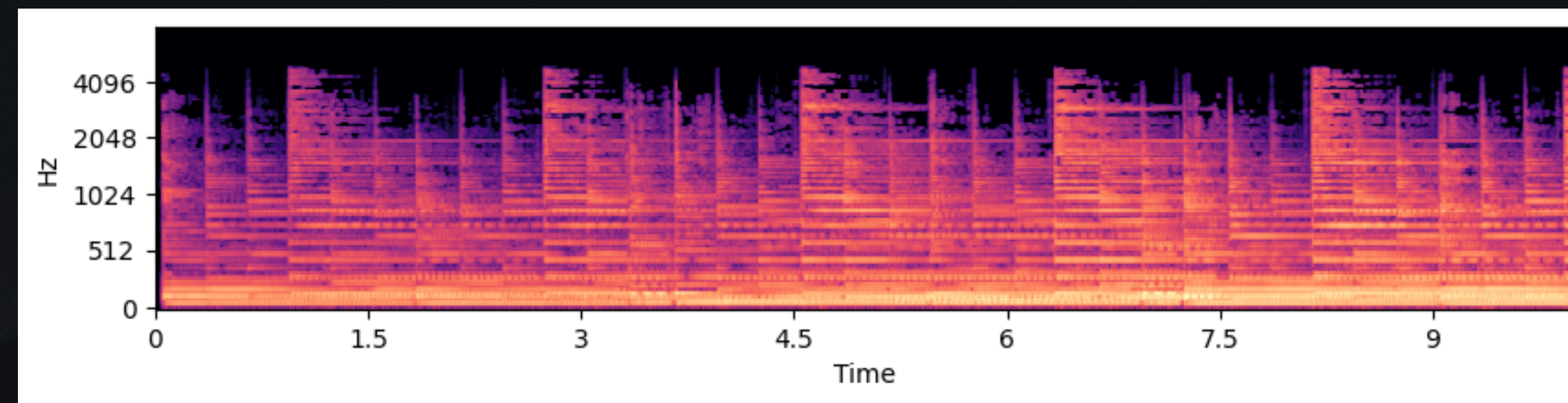
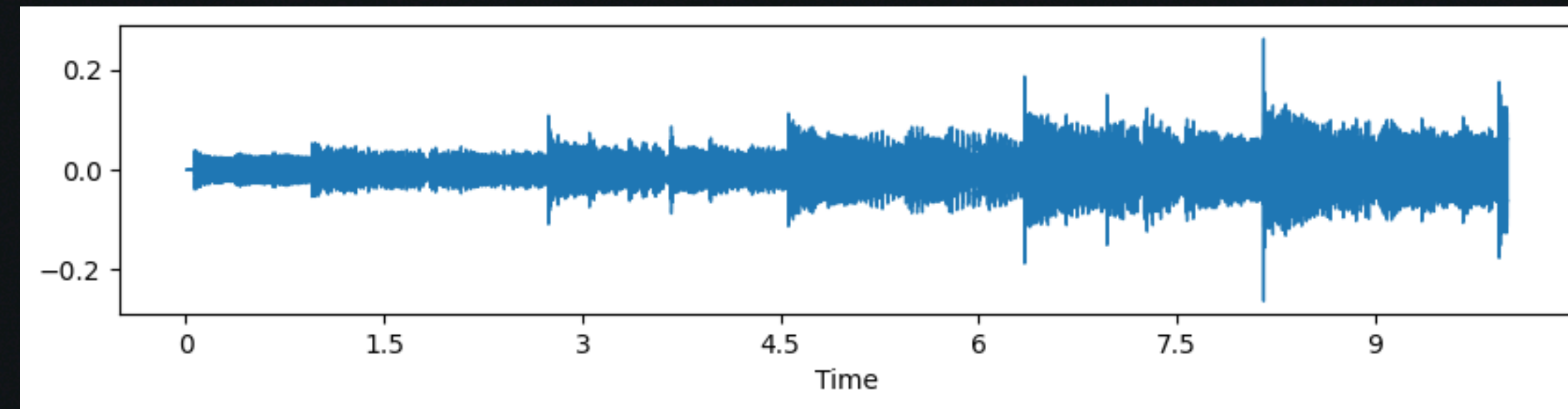
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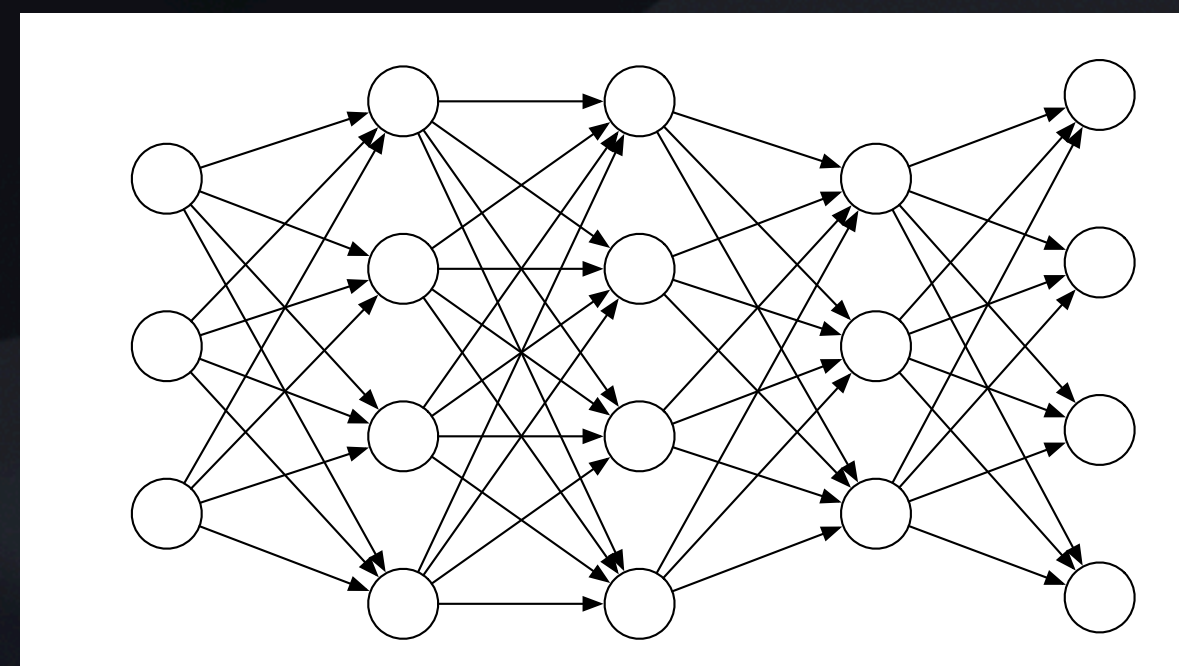
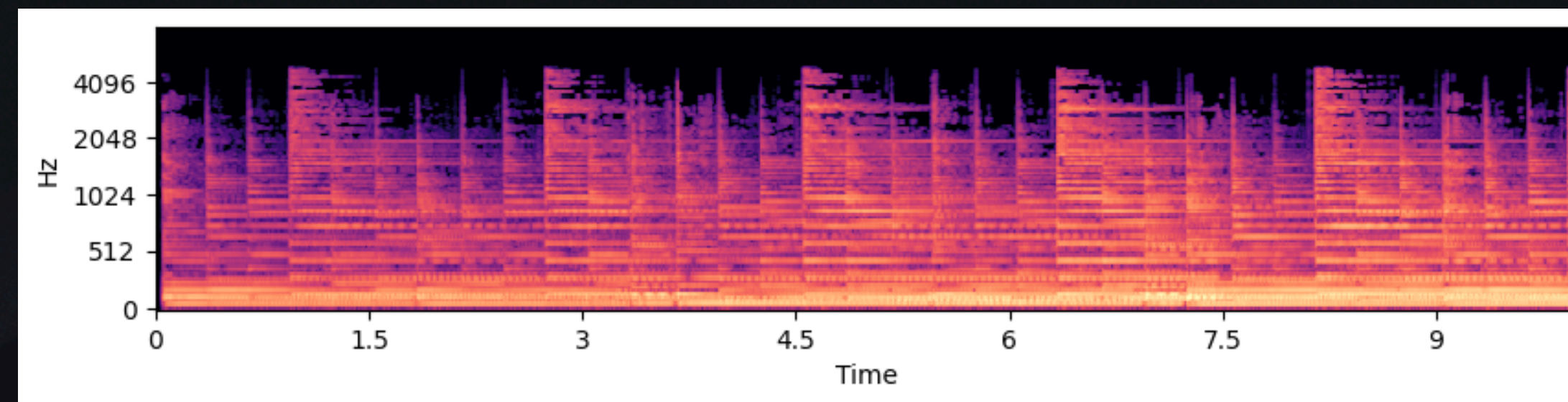
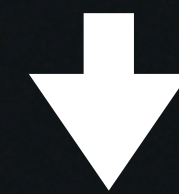
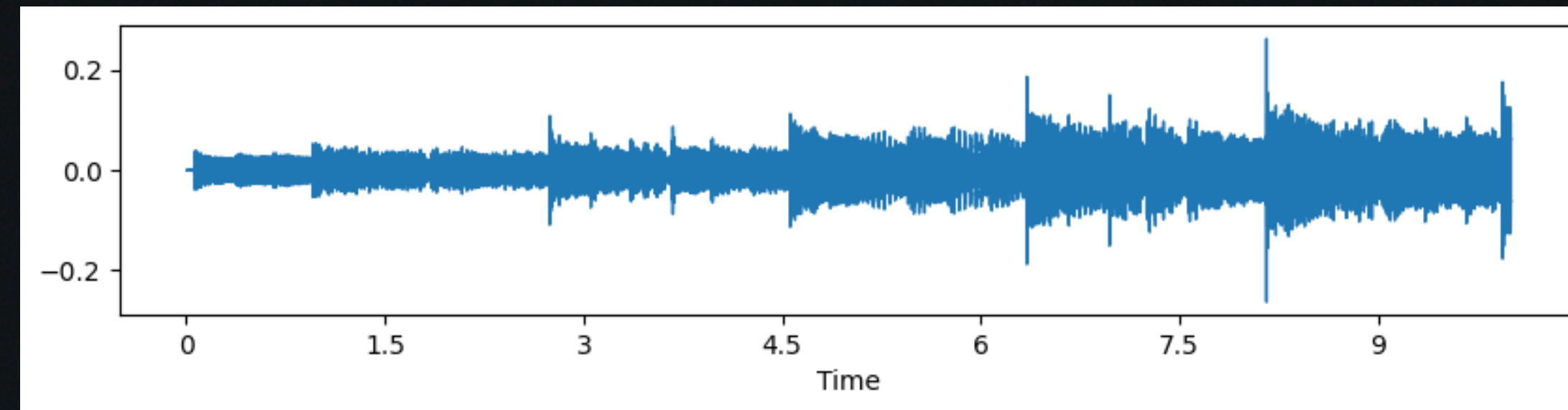


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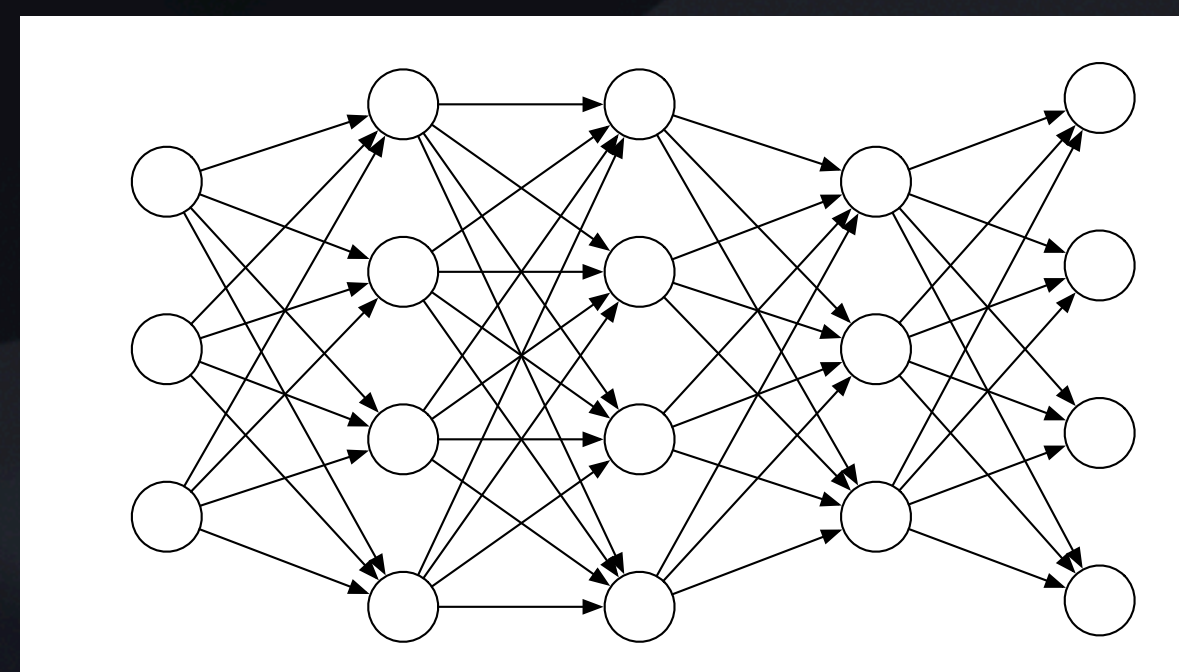
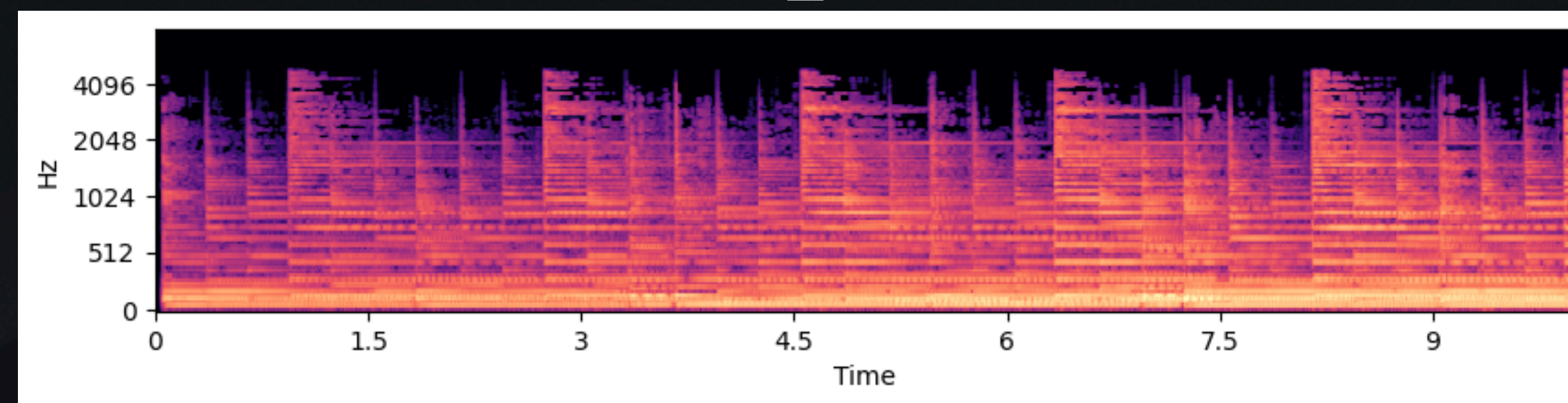
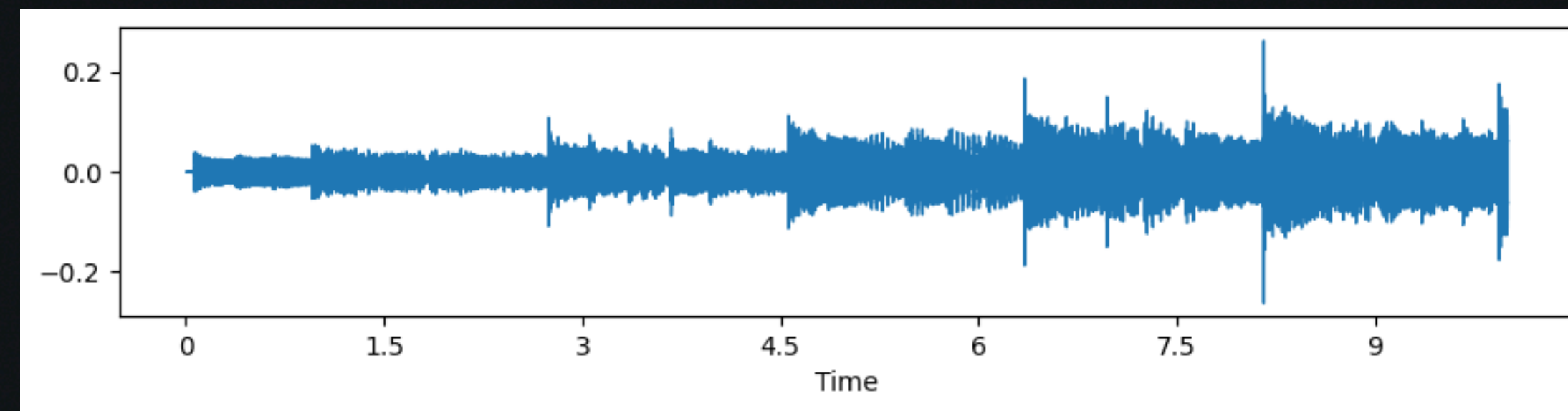
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How does it work (generation)?



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Generative architectures

Variational autoencoder: Learns to compress media into a **latent space** and reconstruct images/text/audio/...

Generative Adversarial Network: Actually two neural networks

One learns to distinguish fake from real content

The other learns to trick the first one

Diffusion models: Learns how to transform pure noise into meaningful content (state-of-the-art approach)

Real Life-deployments

Consist of **billions** of parameters (weights)

- GPT-4o: ~200 billions
- Stable Audio Open ~1,3 billion parameters

Lots of data needed for training

Where does the training data originate?

- Legal/ethical consequences

Open questions

How to **compensate** for production of training data?

If generative systems are **trained on generated** data...?



We, the undersigned members of the artist and songwriting communities, call on AI developers, technology companies, platforms and digital music services to cease the use of artificial intelligence (AI) to infringe upon and devalue the rights of human artists.

Make no mistake: we believe that, when used responsibly, **AI has enormous potential to advance human creativity** and in a manner that enables the development and growth of new and exciting experiences for music fans everywhere.

Unfortunately, some platforms and developers are employing AI to sabotage creativity and undermine artists, songwriters, musicians and rights holders.

When used **irresponsibly**, AI poses enormous threats to our ability to protect our privacy, our identities, our music and our livelihoods. Some of the biggest and most powerful companies are, without permission, using our work to train AI models. These efforts are directly aimed at replacing the work of human artists with massive quantities of AI-created “sounds” and “images” that substantially dilute the royalty pools that are paid out to artists. **For many working musicians, artists and songwriters who are just trying to make ends meet, this would be catastrophic.**

Unchecked, AI will set in motion a race to the bottom that will degrade the value of our work and prevent us from being fairly compensated for it.

This assault on human creativity must be stopped. We must protect against the predatory use of AI to steal professional artists’ voices and likenesses, violate creators’ rights, and destroy the music ecosystem.

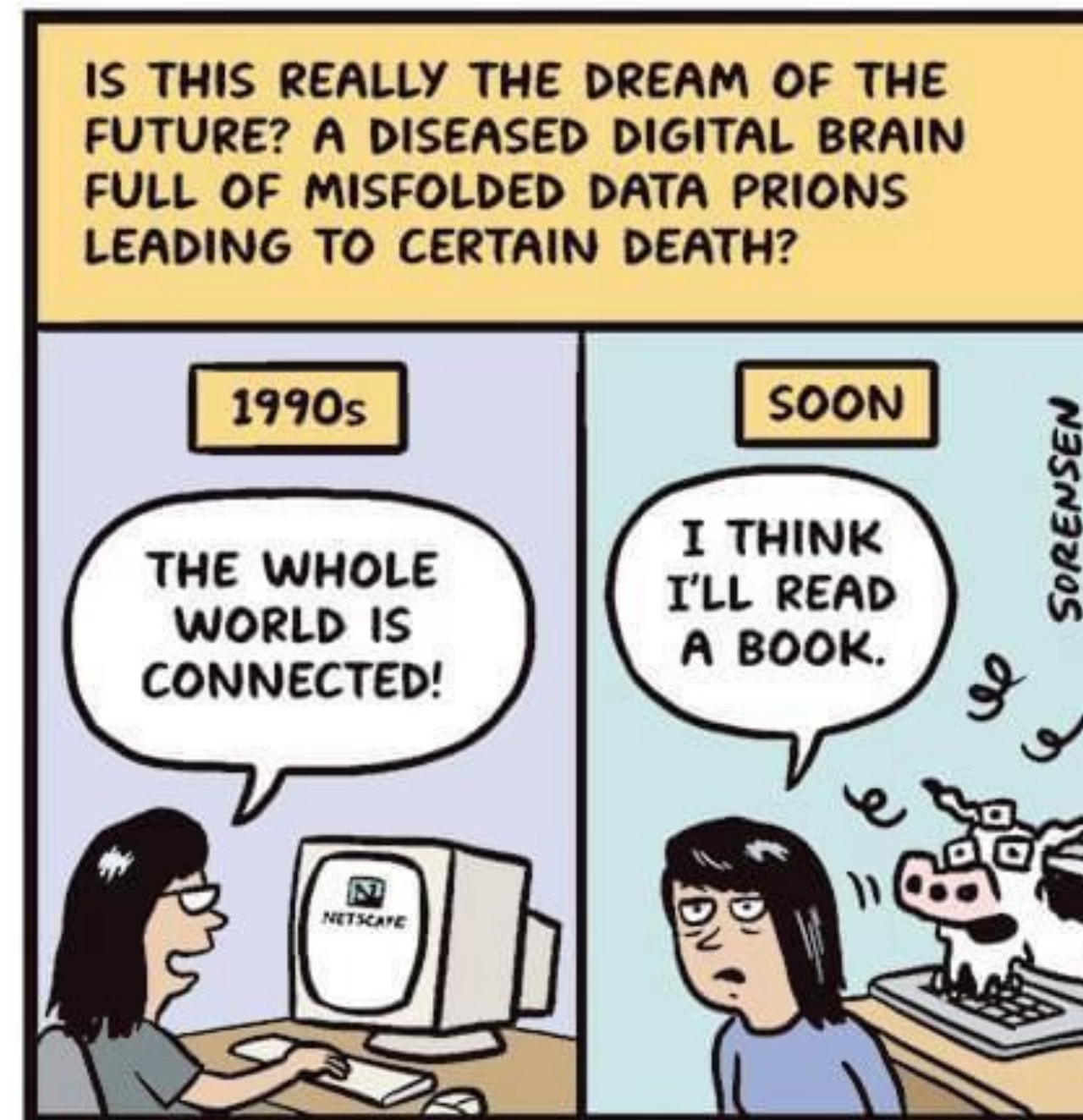
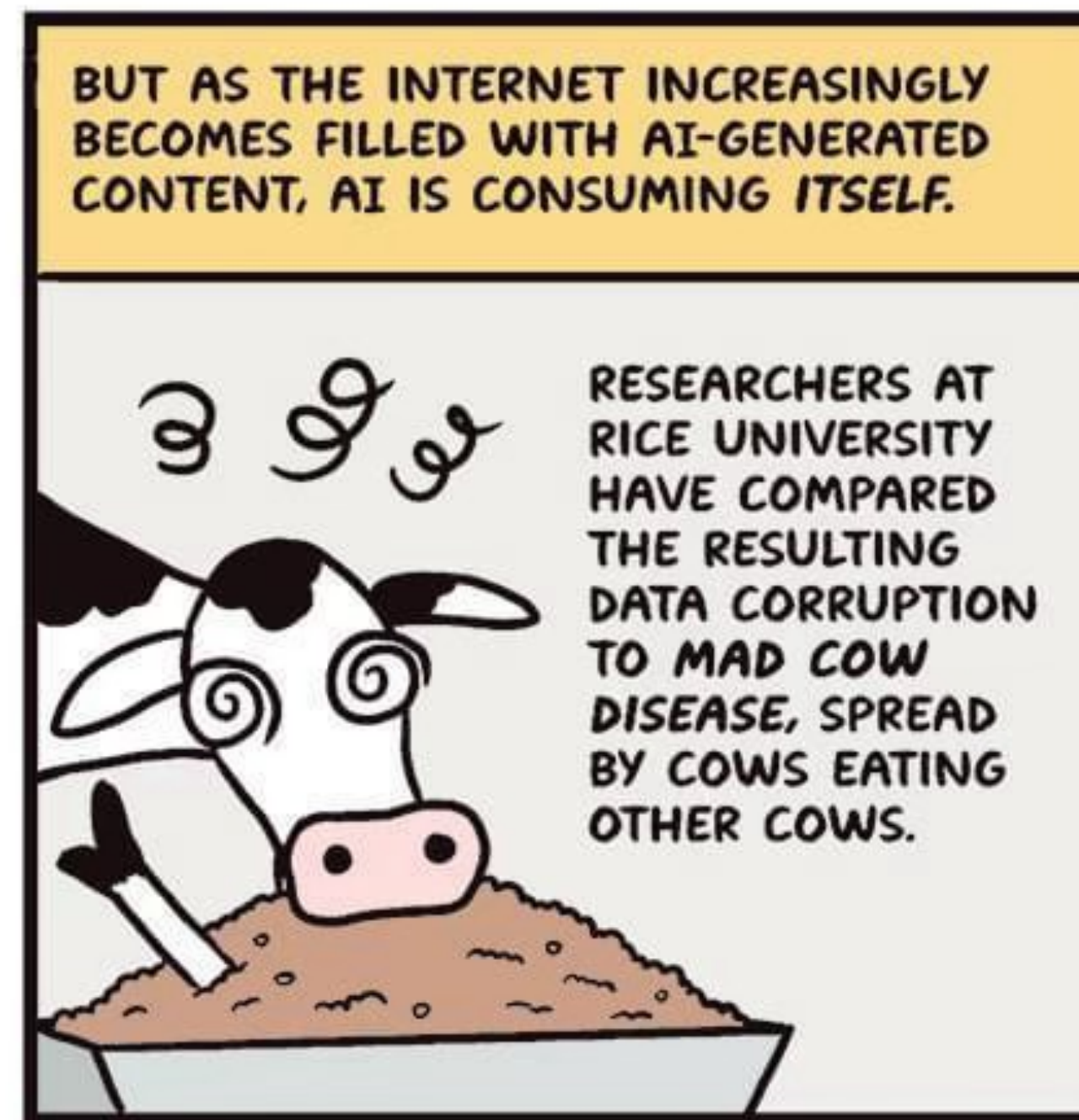
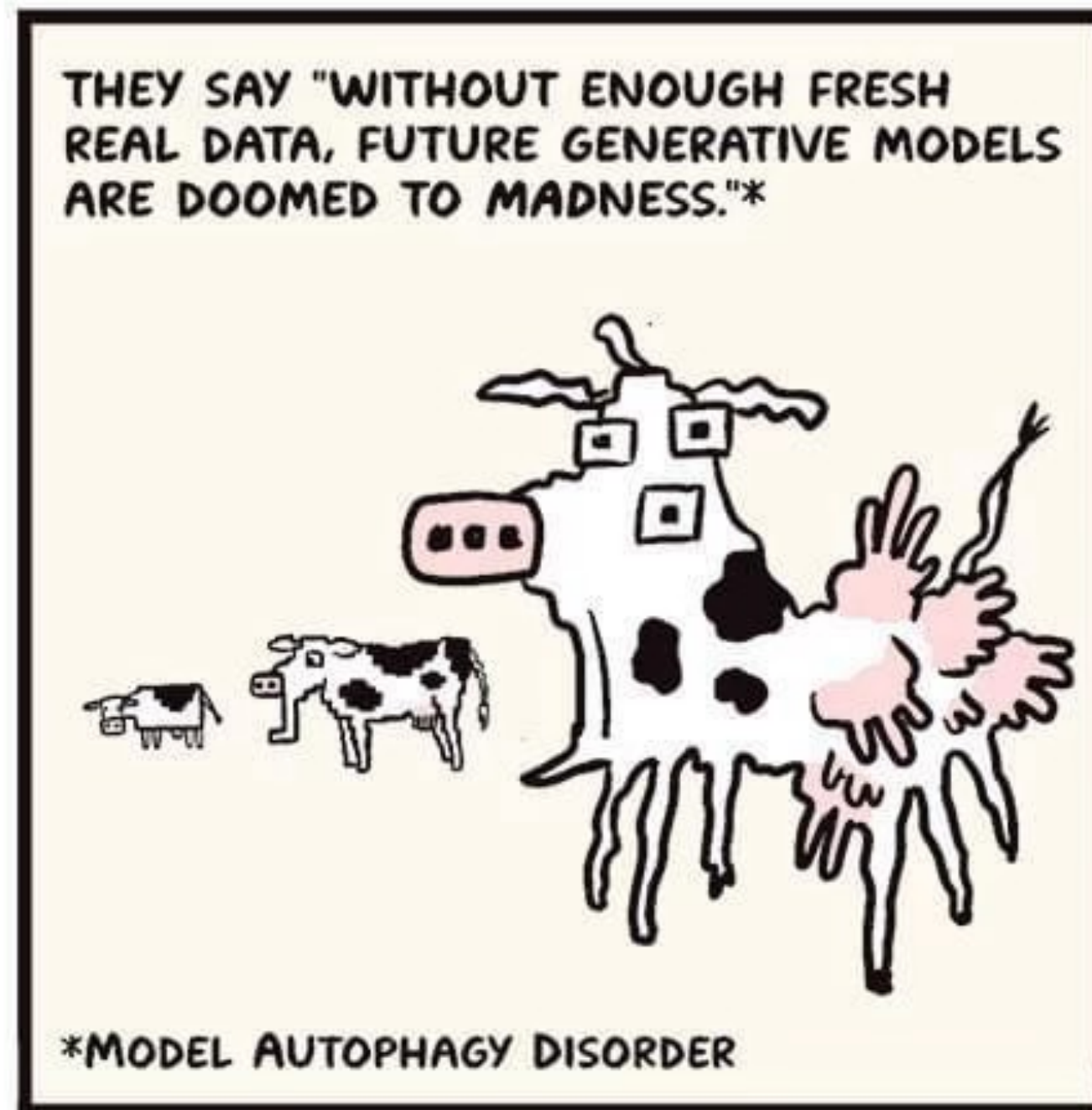
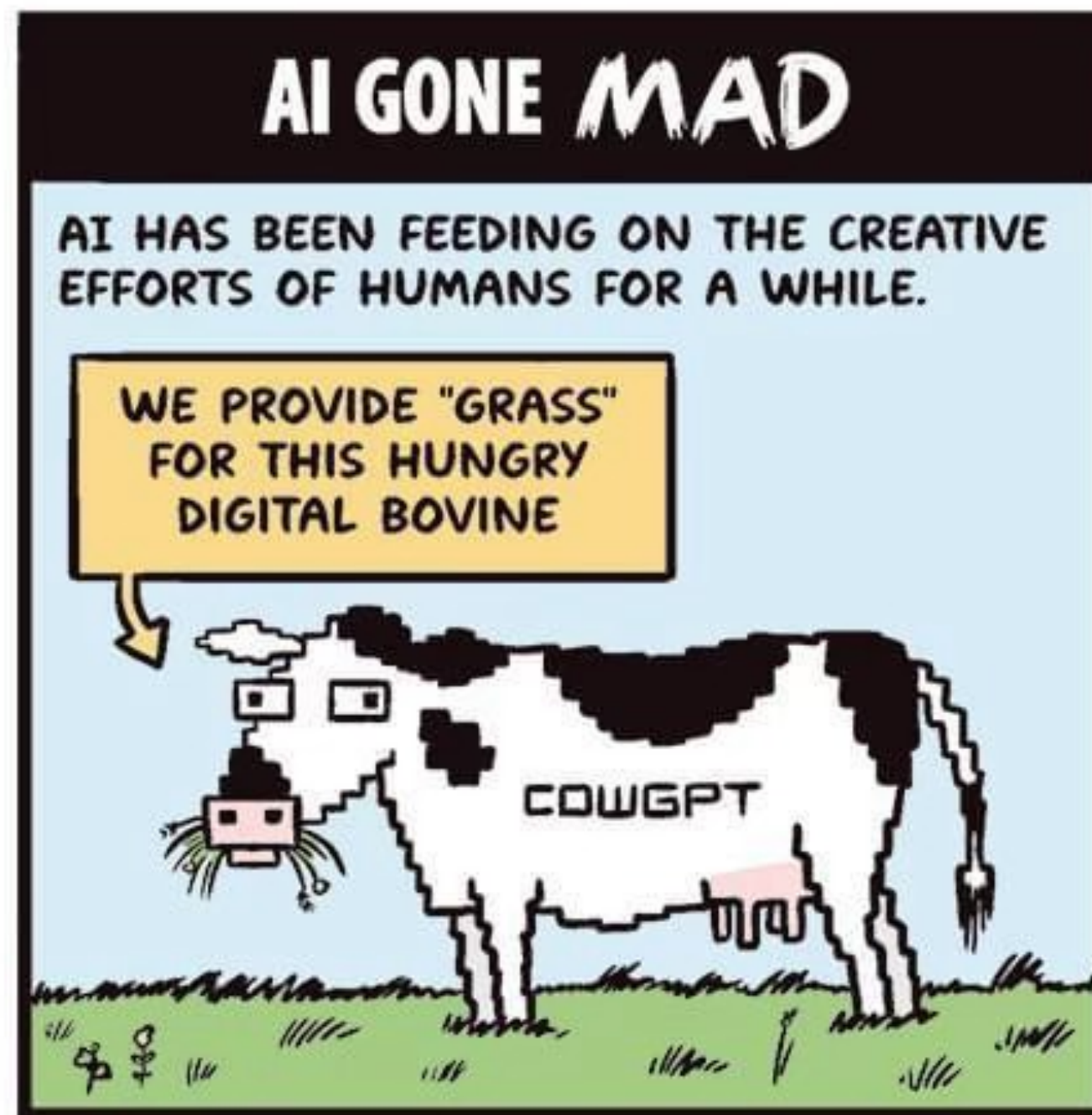
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| <i>Agus Martino</i> | <i>Emiliano Fernández</i> | <i>Marcey Yates</i> |
| <i>Aimee Mann</i> | <i>Emily Scott Robinson</i> | <i>Marcus King</i> |
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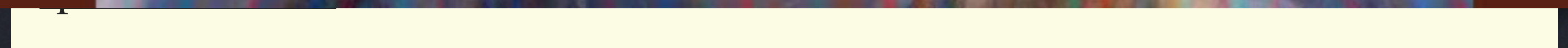
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We had about six months of boring results before we started to get interesting results. The spoken part of “Birth,” which is trained on my voice, was the first time we were like, “You can hear the logic of the neural network at work.” AI is a combination of processing power and data sets. That's why the Chinese government, and companies like Google and Facebook, have the most sophisticated AI models.

Full interview: <https://www.thefader.com/2019/05/21/holly-herndon-proto-ai-spawn-interview>

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Who's using it?

The Beatles / Now and Then

- Originally written by John Lennon
- Never recorded
- Lennon's voice was extracted from a low-quality demo tape and improved with ML technology



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