

## Tony: a tool for melody transcription - Feature #887

### Allow user to set overall pitch range.

2014-03-05 01:06 AM - Rachel Bittner

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#### Description

I suggest this in light of the attached test example (which is of a flute) where the pitch range is almost out of the range allowed by Tony. (ex. the last note in the excerpt is completely out of the range). I think this is more of a problem for high instruments than for low.

#### History

##### #1 - 2014-03-05 11:06 AM - Chris Cannam

- Assignee set to Matthias Mauch

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##### #2 - 2014-03-05 05:40 PM - Matthias Mauch

Chris Cannam wrote:

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I admit that is confusing, and could be solved better. Apart from where it is defined (which I should improve), the main problem is that I have to define an HMM in which a greater frequency range is costly. Before knowing of the flute case, I modelled pitches from 55Hz and then four octaves, i.e. up to 880 Hz. Now I added another octave (but just saw that even that doesn't capture the last flute note (it's > 1600Hz)).

Rachel, what is the frequency range you will need? I will then adapt PYIN.

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##### #3 - 2014-03-05 05:59 PM - Rachel Bittner

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**#4 - 2014-03-05 06:07 PM - Matthias Mauch**

Rachel Bittner wrote:

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Great, thanks. And at the low end? Eb2, ie. 77.782 Hz, or A2 (110Hz)? Maybe we can get away with a single sufficient range.

(Also, what's the longest piece you're expecting?)

**#5 - 2014-03-06 12:46 AM - Rachel Bittner**

I'd opt for Eb2 on the low end.

For the longest duration...hard to say. At the moment it's around 5 min. Hopefully there won't be anything longer...

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