Anvil Studio Tutorial

Correcting the alignment of notes recorded from a MIDI keyboard

When editing a track that was recorded from a MIDI device, sometimes the notes don't fall on measure boundaries. This example shows one way to correct this.

1. select the menu View / Options and select the General tab,
2. assign short cut keys for editing actions, e.g.
   assign CTRL+S to Stretch to start of measure (all tracks) and
   assign CTRL+D to Compress to start of measure (all tracks).
3. select the menu View / Mixer, and select the track you want to edit,
4. select the menu View / Composer,
5. from the start of the track, press the right-arrow to advance to each next note, or click a desired note with the mouse.
6. if the note(s) at the insertion point should be at the start of its measure, but was played a little early, press Ctrl+S. This will stretch all notes in the current measure so that the note at the insertion point becomes the 1st note in the next measure.
7. if the note(s) at the insertion point should be the first in its measure, but was played a little late, press Ctrl+D. This will compress all notes in the previous measure so that the note at the insertion point becomes the 1st note in its measure.

For example, if you click on each of the notes circled below, and pressed Ctrl+S

the track will now look like this:

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