

Data-driven projects

A few thoughts



はじめちゃん × Simmer Pine pre.

最高な日!!

Date — 20240927

Venue — BASEMENTBAR&THREE Shimokitazawa

Price — ¥3,000 (1drink include)

Open&Start — 6:30 pm



LIVE

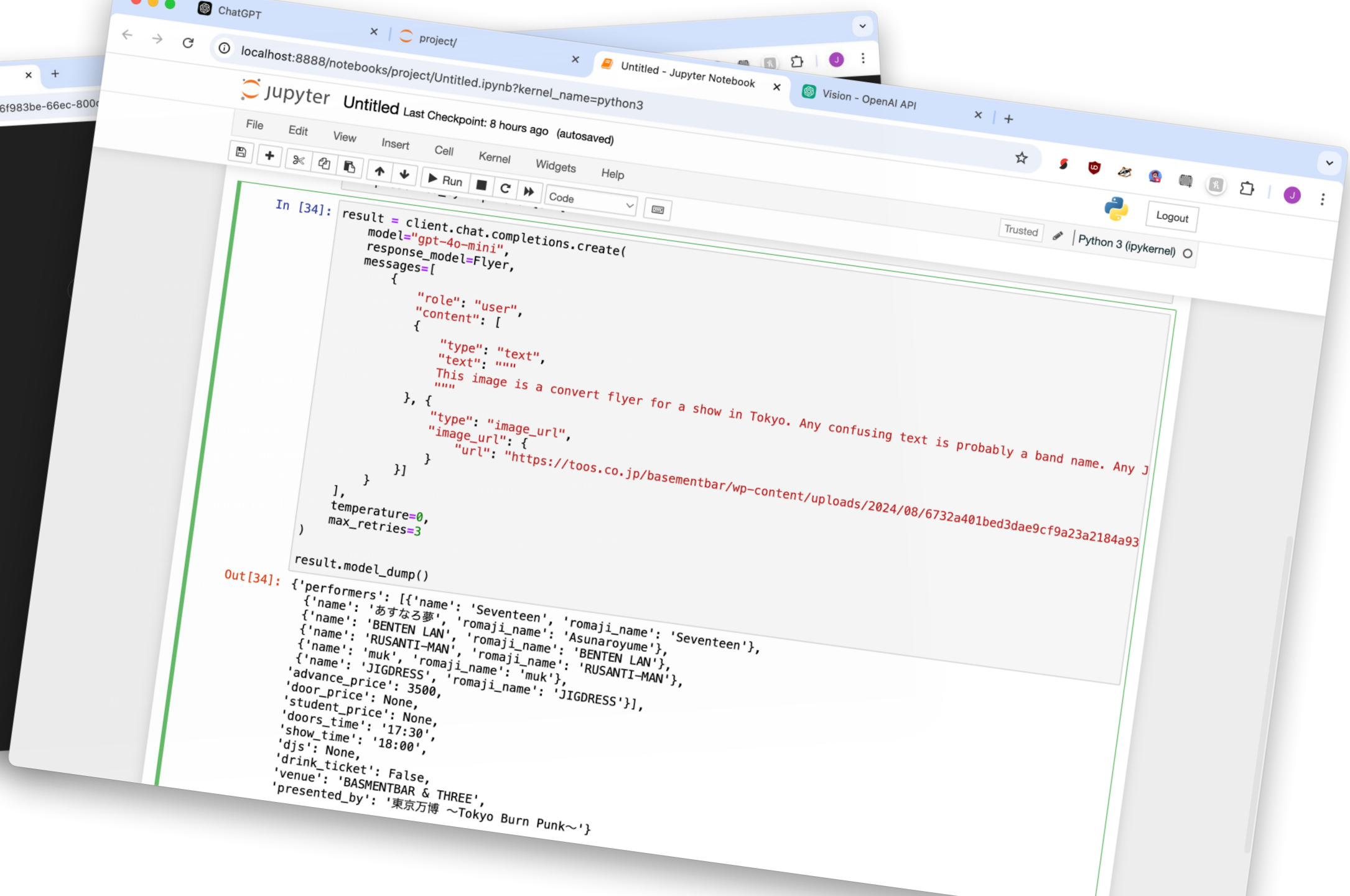
Simmer Pine
Newdums
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JORDAN

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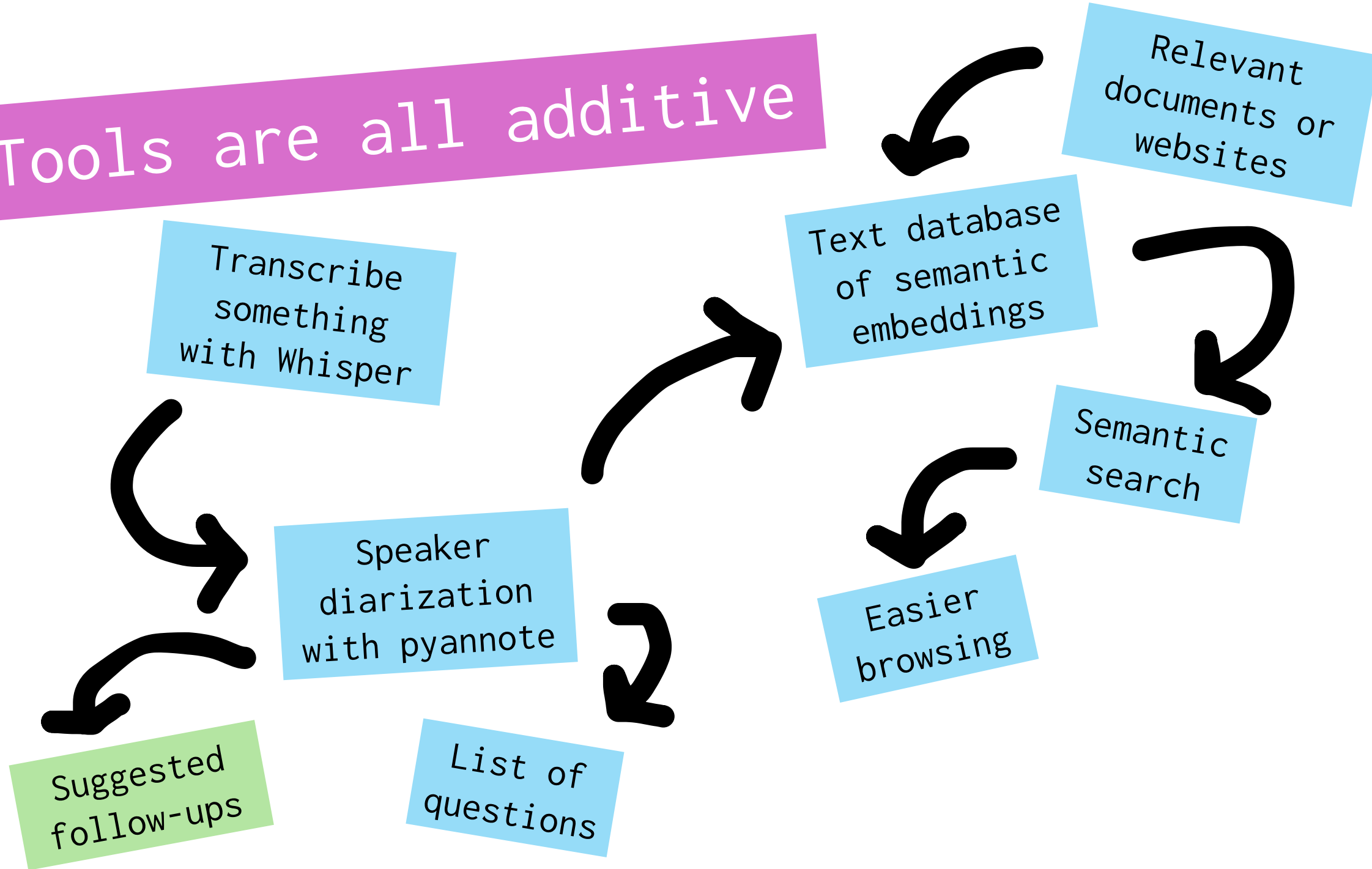
Projects

- Managing data projects and coding projects is **the worst thing**
- **Estimates:** all wrong
- **Data:** all misunderstood
- I hope you discovered that while you were working on this project!

Ideas

- You have data. What can it be **joined with**?
 - Good target for automation: joining with data that frequently changes
 - “What columns would make this job more effective?”
- Things that need to be done repeatedly
- Things that are done by new hires
- Sell something to others that benefits you, they’ll pay you to improve it

Tools are all additive



OCR of
PDFs

Embed to
cluster
on
topics??

LLM to summarize +
determine position

Whisper to
transcribe

Automate

Scans of letters and emails

dataframe

	comms_num	name	comms_text	item_num	item_subject	rec	raw_summ	short_summ	position
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2	133	Miya Sommers	... \nnee ERR ee EN a l CAC,\n\nFrom: Miya So...	29	Resolution Opposing Tokyo Electric Power Compa...	Adopt a Resolution opposing Tokyo Electric P...	{'intermediate_steps': ['Comms #: 133\nName: M...	Miya Sommers urges the Berkeley City Council L...	Support

support table

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7	Contract: Insight Housing (formerly Berkeley F...		0	0	1
28	Relinquishment of Council Office Budget Funds ...		9	5	0
29	Resolution Opposing Tokyo Electric Power Compa...		2	1	0
32	Referral Response: Affordable Housing Preferen...		1	0	1
33	Adoption — Civic Center Phase II — Design Conc...		28	1	1
35	De-Prioritizing the enforcement of laws imposi...		3	2	0

Cost

- Lots of venture capital = **artificially cheap**
- Price is not related to ability
- You will need ongoing support and adjustments
 - Don't ignore this!!!!
- Using a platform is better for big, quick changes
 - Journalism example: using an online Whisper tool vs. one built into in-house CMS infrastructure

Expertise

- You (**maybe**) have the skills to prototype
- Hire **single-time-fee consultant** for guidance
 - They have experience, most important early on
 - They know what is possible vs impossible
 - Best if not someone who can develop for you
 - Ask "what do people use AI for that they should not?"
- Don't trust what any company says :)

Estimating

- Estimating how long it takes is **very hard**
- Estimating what you'll need+want is **very hard**
 - You'll get 80% of the way there in 20% of the time
 - Edge cases are the problem!
 - AI is good in “easy” cases but sometimes the hard cases are almost impossible
- Never trust internal or external estimates.
 - Think days, weeks or month. Not a specific number.

Be open to change

- Have a product that can be used at 80% ability
- How can it be used with people instead of fully automated?
- Data is often **misunderstood**, and you realize flaws later on. Can it still be used?
- Beautiful visualization can hide bad analysis

Evaluations

- Create **number-based evaluations** early on
- Don't just measure "accuracy"
 - What happens when it goes wrong?
- If it's human-in-the-loop, quality can be lower
- Test with **people who are suspicious of AI**
- Be sure to measure and test over time (weekly, monthly), **models change**

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Takahashi Yasuyuki (tb) + Ito Keita (b) ...

2024 / 09 / 30 (Mon), 19.00 @ Knuttel House Iriya

Avant garde, Free Jazz, Instrumental, Jazz

30

19:00 / 19:30
¥2,500
¥2,000-
高橋保行 / tb
伊藤健太 / b
伊山明 / db
Trio
タカハシヤスユキ・イトケイタ・イヤマアカリによる自由な即興演奏のセッション。

Spacious Recollection (鈴木直人, 石川広行, 山本裕之)

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Jazz

中尾憲太郎 [ex. NUMBER GIRL] (bass), 類家心平 (tr...

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All Mix

Kevin Sommer, Silke Strahl, Misaki Moto...

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Improvised

Terrificus (from Australia), VOQ, 広本晋, 陰...

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Avant garde, World, Improvised, Experimental, Alternative

The True Three Per: Whoacho, Semba Kiyoh...

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Experimental, Funk, Improvised

more...

A collage of Japanese posters and text. At the top, a poster for 'はじめちゃん × Simmer Pine pre.' with the date '20240927' and the phrase '最高な日!!' (The highest day!!). Below it, a poster for 'himokitazawa' (himokitazawa). At the bottom, a poster for 'JORDAN' with the text 'FOOD' and 'こちゅ飯' (kochu-ban).

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