

**The Calculation**  
**Regina Spektor**

(listen to the song for rhythm, or just play it the way you want/like/can)

[Intro]

**C G** x2

[Verse 1]

**C**

You went into the kitchen cupboard  
Got yourself another hour

**F**

And you gave

**Am**

Half of it to me

**C**

We sat there looking at the faces  
Of these strangers in the pages

**F**

**Am**

Til we knew em mathematically

[Pre-Chorus]

**Dm**

They were in our minds

**F**

Until forever

**Dm**

But we didn't mind

**G**

We didn't know better

[Verse 2]

**C**

So we made our own computer out of macaroni pieces

**F**

**Am**

And it did our thinking while we lived our lives

**C**

It counted up our feelings  
And divided them up even

**F**

**Am**

And it called that calculation perfect love

**Dm**

**F**

Didn't even know that love was bigger

**Dm**

Didn't even know

**G**

That love was so, so  
Hey Hey Hey

[Chorus]

**F**  
Hey this fire it s burnin

**C** **F**  
Burnin us up

**F**  
Hey this fire it s burnin

**C**  
Burnin us..

**Dm**  
Up  
**A#**  
Ohhhhh  
**F**  
Ohh Ohh Ohh

[Verse 3]

**C**  
So we made the hard decision  
And we each made an incision

**F**  
Past our muscles and our bones

**Am**  
Saw our hearts were little stones

**C**  
Pulled em out they weren t beating

And we weren t even bleeding

**F** **Am**  
As we lay em on the granite counter top

[Pre-Chorus]

**Dm**  
We beat em up  
**F**  
Against each other

**Dm**  
We beat em up  
**F**  
Against each other

**Dm**  
We struck em hard  
**F**  
Against each other

**Dm**  
We struck em so hard  
**G**  
So hard until they sparked

[Chorus]

**F**  
Hey this fire it s burnin  
**C** **F**

Burnin us up

**F**

Hey this fire it s burnin

**C F**

Burnin us up

**F**

Hey this fire it s burnin

**C**

Burnin us

**Dm**

Up

**A# F G**