
Deep learning models for music generation

1 Description

One of the interdisciplinary applications of deep neural networks has been in the field of Art. Adversarial Networks [1], Variational Autoencoders [2] and other generative DNNs have been successfully applied to create artificial images that resemble real images [3, 4, 5, 6, 7] and also for generating music according to different styles [8, 9, 10, 11, 12].

2 Objectives

The goal of this project is to investigate the use of deep generator models (GANs, VAEs, or any other combination of neural models) for music analysis (either music generation, music style recognition or or music style transfer. The student will be free to use the music data representation, the datasets and the models.

The student should: 1) Clearly state the problem addressed. 2) Select an appropriate DNN architecture. 2) Select convenient music datasets. 3) Implement the model learning procedure. 4) Evaluating the quality of generated music may be a difficult question with a strong subjective component. Therefore, for the evaluation the student could select a number of exemplars output of the model, and explain the criteria considered to evaluate the results (e.g., asking humans to judge the realism or quality of the generated music).

As in other projects, a report should describe the characteristics of the design, implementation, and results. A Jupyter notebook should include calls to the implemented function that illustrate the way it works.

3 Suggestions

- Read the relevant bibliography about music generation [8, 9, 10, 11, 12], including potential available datasets.
- Implementations can use any Python library that implements DNNs.

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