Music Super-Resolution

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Abstract—Audio super-resolution refers to the task of increasing the sampling rate of an audio signal, usually by training a generative adversarial network to produce outputs whose sampling rate is higher by a specific factor (x2, x4, x6 etc.).

I. Introduction

In this paper, the goal is to investigate on whether a GAN can be trained with low-resolution audio data given as an input to produce super-resolution audio (i.e a reconstructed high-resolution audio signal). The point of the model is to predict the samples which are missing from the audio signal, which in this case will consist of short, downsampled pieces of music collected from a publicly available API. The project has been inspired by image super-resolution and especially by time-series super-resolution, which in essence operates with the same methods for generating the training dataset by downsampling high-resolution data and making use of a generative model to reconstruct a signal. The original bottleneck-type architecture (Volodymyr Kuleshov and Ermon [1]) will be implemented and possibly compared to SR-GAN (srgan2017)

II. LITERATURE REVIEW

The process of audio super-resolution using neural nets (also called bandwidth extension) is explained in Volodymyr Kuleshov and Ermon [1] which states that the goal is to reconstruct a low-resolution signal with a sample rate R_1 into a high-resolution signal with a greater sample rate R_2 . The paper clarifies the concept by giving a simple example of a 4 KHz signal being upsampled through audio super-resolution to a 16 KHz signal by a factor of 4. The audio signal is encoded into a spectrogram which codifies the frequencies contained in the signal and the sound intensity in decibels with the help of a colorbar situated on the right-side of the image. For the model, a bottleneck-type architecturer has been used, reminiscent of autoencoders which have a similar structure. The first part of the network is responsible for downsampling data, whereas the second part upsamples it.

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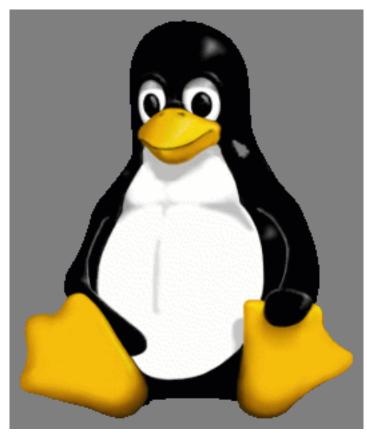


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