



## Long Project with Audiogaming

Additive Synthesis with Inverse Fourier Transform for Non-Stationary Signals

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# Audio Gaming

- ► Localization: Toulouse, Paris
- Activity: Audio plug-in (VSTs and RTAS)
- ► Main customers: Film and Video Game Industry (Sony, Ubisoft)
- ▶ 10 employees



Figure: Audiofire: audio plug-in that recreates fire sound



➤ We are continuing the Audiogaming long project from 2015 (Emilie Abia, Lili Zheng, Quentin Biache)

Objective: Synthesizing sounds from their spectrum with a FFT<sup>-1</sup>

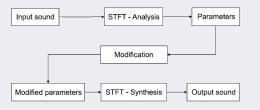


Figure: General approach for modifying a sound in the spectral domain

▶ We have to implement a new method of additive synthesis ⇒ computationally very fast



▶ 6 weeks only ⇒ Focus on the synthesis method only.

### Given codes in Python and Matlab from the 2015 project:

- Python: Analysis estimator of sinus parameters and sinus generation with those parameters (only stationary)
- Matlab: Some reasearch on the Non-stationary synthesis with the LUT of lobes
- We made our own OOP codes in Python
- We have taken the analysis estimator code to test our final synthesis











Figure: PyCharm as Python IDE, Slack to communicate, GitHub to stock the codes and have a versionning. *Freedcamp* to plan the project events

### Introduction

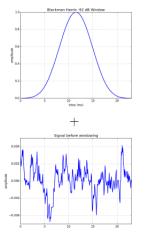
Project Management : Gantt Chart





## Method Overview : Analysis Windowing





### Windowing step:

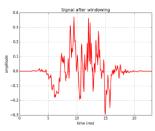


Figure: Windowing step

## Method Overview: Analysis

**Peak Detection** 

Peak detection and extraction of parameters by STPT (particular Short Time Fourier Transform):

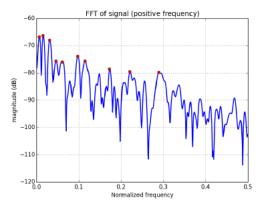


Figure: Peak detection

## Method Overview : Synthesis

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Additive synthesis according to the parameters from the analysis:

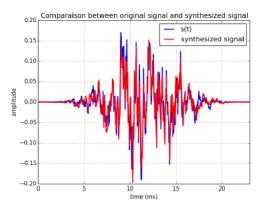


Figure: Synthesized signal vs Original signal

### The additive synthesis

General approach: The time domain



The sound signal is represented as a sum of N sinusoids:

$$x(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} a_n \sin(2\pi f_n t + \phi_n)$$

- Very costly to implement
- ► Impossible to compute in real-time

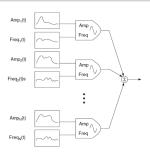


Figure: The additive synthesis

### The additive synthesis

General approach: The frequency domain



We generate the sinusoids in frequency domain in order to reduce the computation time :

- Window the signal to maximize the energy in the main lobe
- ▶ We only keep the main lobe for each sine (9 points)
- ➤ We assume that the parameters (amplitude, frequency, phase) are already given by the analysis

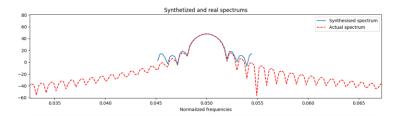


Figure: Windowed sine lobe

## The additive synthesis

The frames



### The sound signal is a frame-by-frame signal:

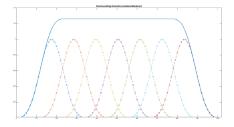


Figure: Sum of small size Hanning windows

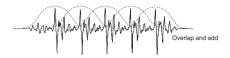


Figure: Overlap and add

# Stationary Signals Source files





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