Notes on references

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1 DDSP

[1] used as main reference for the research.

1.1 Important bullet points

- Interpretable and modular approach to generative modeling
- Classic signal processing elements with deep learning methods
- Models that rely on strided convolution or windowing (STFT) need to align waveshapes or suffer from spectral leakage.
- DDSP takes the approach of vocoders in using oscillators to synthesize signals.
- According to the DDSP paper [1], the DDSP library is capable of extrapolating timbres not seen during training, and independent control over pitch and loudness during synthesis.
- References to Neural Source Filter [2] imply this might be a good additional reference for research.

1.2 Newly learned concepts from this document

• Strided Convolution:

Convolution that has a hop length, meaning, it skips some information to avoid analyzing redundancies.

• Teacher forcing:

Feeding back the correct answers into training algorithms to reduce training times and lead the model in the right direction during training.

• Automatic differentiation:

Also: 'algorithmic differentiation' or 'computational differentiation'

1.3 How it relates to my research

References

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