# YOHO model for Audio Segmentation and Sound Event Detection

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The goal of automatic sound event detection (SED) methods is to recognize what is happening in an audio signal and when it is happening<sup>1</sup>. In practice, the goal is to recognize at what temporal instances different sounds are active within an audio signal. An example of sound event detection is presented below.

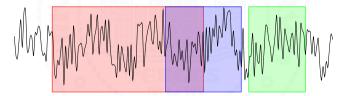


Figure 1: Event Detection in an audio track.

Introduction

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Annamaria Mesaros et al. "Sound Event Detection: A tutorial". In: *IEEE Signal Processing Magazine* 38 (2021), pp. 67–83. URL: https://api.semanticscholar.org/CorpusID: 235795366.

#### Datasets

Introduction

Common datasets for Audio Segmentation and Sound Event Detection problems are:

- TUT Sound Event Detection: primarily consists of street recordings with traffic and other activity, with audio examples of 2.56s and a total size of approximately 1.5 h. It has six unique audio classes – Brakes Squeaking, Car. Children, Large Vehicle, People Speaking, and People Walking:
- Urban-SED: purely synthetic dataset, with audio example of 10s and a total size of about 30 h. It has ten unique audio classes – Air Conditioner, Car Horn, Children Playing, Dog Bark, Drilling, Engine Idling, Gun Shot, Jackhammer, Siren, and Street Music.

The first dataset is too small to train a Neural Network model and requires use of augmentation techniques (we used **SpecAugment**<sup>2</sup>).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Daniel S. Park et al. "SpecAugment: A Simple Data Augmentation Method for Automatic Speech Recognition". In: Interspeech 2019. 2019, pp. 2613–2617. DOI: 10.21437/Interspeech.2019-2680.

#### Metrics

A popular toolbox for Sound Event Detection models evaluation is SED Eval<sup>3</sup>.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Precision} &= \frac{\text{TP}}{\text{TP} + \text{FP}} & \text{Recall} &= \frac{\text{TP}}{\text{TP} + \text{FN}} \\ & F_{1}\text{-score} &= 2 \times \frac{\text{Precision} \times \text{Recall}}{\text{Precision} + \text{Recall}} \end{aligned}$$

where TP, FP and FN are respectively (for each audio segment):

- the ground truth and system output both indicate an event to be active;
- the ground truth indicates an event to be inactive, but the system as active;
- the ground truth indicates an event to be active, but the system as inactive.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Annamaria Mesaros, Toni Heittola, and Tuomas Virtanen. "Metrics for Polyphonic Sound Event Detection". In: *Applied Sciences* 6.6 (2016). ISSN: 2076-3417. DOI: 10.3390/app6060162. URL: https://www.mdpi.com/2076-3417/6/6/162.

#### YOHO model

Presented in  $2021^4$ ...

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Satvik Venkatesh, David Moffat, and Eduardo Reck Miranda. "You Only Hear Once: A YOLO-like Algorithm for Audio Segmentation and Sound Event Detection". In: *Applied Sciences* 12.7 (Mar. 2022), p. 3293. ISSN: 2076-3417. DOI: 10.3390/app12073293. URL: http://dx.doi.org/10.3390/app12073293.

# Input shape

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## Network Architecture

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# Output shape

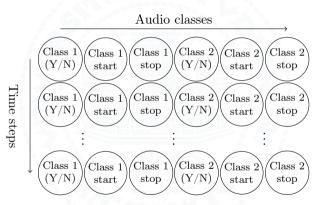


Figure 2: The YOHO output shape.

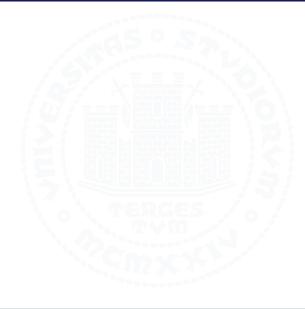
#### Loss Function

$$\mathcal{L}_c(\hat{y}, y) = \begin{cases} (\hat{y}_1 - y_1)^2 + \\ (\hat{y}_2 - y_2)^2 + (\hat{y}_3 - y_3)^2 & \text{if } y_1 = 1 \\ (\hat{y}_1 - y_1)^2, & \text{if } y_1 = 0 \end{cases}$$

where y and  $\hat{y}$  are the ground-truth and predictions respectively.  $y_1 = 1$  if the acoustic class is present and  $y_1 = 0$  if the class is absent.  $y_2$  and  $y_3$ , which are the start and endpoints for each acoustic class are considered only if y = 1. In other words,  $(\hat{y}_1 - y_1)^2$  corresponds to **the classification loss** and  $(\hat{y}_2 - y_2)^2 + (\hat{y}_3 - y_3)^2$  corresponds to **the regression loss**.

### Other Details

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## Implementation challenges

Starting from the original paper, we implemented the system using PvTorch<sup>5</sup>, writing the code keeping in mind that it had to be clear and permit reproducible tests.

Work done and results

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python3 -m voho.train --help
usage: train.py [-h] [--name NAME] [--epochs EPOCHS] [--batch-size BATCH_SIZE] [--cosine-annealing]
[--autocast] [--spec-augment]
options:
  -h, --help
                        show this help message and exit
  --name NAME
                        The name of the model
  --epochs EPOCHS
                        The number of epochs to train the model
  --batch-size BATCH_SIZE
                        The batch size for training the model
                        Use cosine annealing learning rate scheduler
  --cosine-annealing
                        Use autocast to reduce memory usage
  --autocast
                        Augment the training data using SpecAugment
  --spec-augment
```

Listing 1: Training script parameters

We used ORFEO<sup>6</sup> computational resources for the trainings of the models.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>All the code is available at https://github.com/enstit/YOHO24.

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## Training results

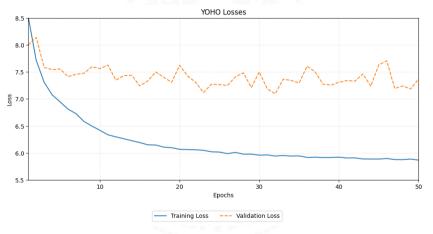


Figure 3: Training and validation loss for YOHO model on UrbanSED dataset.

### Conclusions

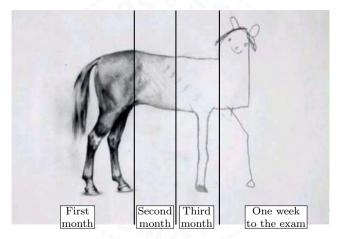


Figure 4: The roadmap of our journey.

#### Conclusions

But, after all...

It's all about the journey, not the destination.

Thank you for your attention.