# Generating Piano Music with Generative Adversarial Network

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# **Background**

Real-time music generation is costly and time-consuming to be done by hand. Sound generations will open a new dimension for incredible experiences. With the development of Generative Adversarial Network(GAN), this process just be shortened to just a few seconds. In this project, we hope to simulate piano music with instrumental-only kinds of music.

# **Objective**

- 1. Compose realistic and enjoyable piano music.
- 2. Real-time adjustment of the music tunes, rhythm and loudness.

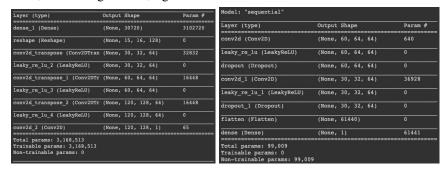
#### **Dataset**

We obtained the dataset from Kaggle with Classical Music Musical Instrument Digital Interface (MIDI) by Soumik Rakshit MIDI, which describes music in tracks. Each track has a time and tone dimension. However, each MIDI has a different tempo at different times, making the complexity of the application high. Therefore we decided to use 120 beats/second. Furthermore, we segment the data into 120 beats x 128 tones.

#### **Model Design**

There are two agents in GAN, and the first is the generator. The generator takes in the random vector of length 100 and outputs the MIDI 2D matrix using a transposed convolutional neural network. The output of multiple channels is then combined into one channel, the same as the dataset.

The second the discriminator. The discriminator goal is to identify if the input is real or generated from the generator. The discriminator is, therefore, a simple classifier. The loss employed in both models is binary cross-entropy, and the optimizer is adam. We will train the discriminator as usual, and for the generator, we will freeze the discriminator and train on the GAN network to update the weights. Below shows the design of the GAN, left is the generator, right is the discriminator.



# Result

We generated a piece of music for 1 second as an example. We then show the convergence of accuracy on discriminator. As we can see in Epoch 9 and 10, the discriminator starts to converge to 50% accuracy.

#### Conclusion

A Generative Adversarial Network can be used to generate music, and Real-time music generation can be done by tuning the latent variable. The music melody will follow the tuning of the latent variable to change, following the desired result slowly.

# Appendix

YouTube Video Presentation: <a href="https://youtu.be/BfAzodgo3Do">https://youtu.be/BfAzodgo3Do</a>

Code, Dataset, and Poster:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1ztZSFwE3kfvUH 49zhXrVTVT4gc4Bq3N?usp=sharing

Preproposal and References can follow this link:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1x6tWYcNPoUouqfQcjisi2dpBjZ1giDQ2ItnqpKlhVfQ/edit?usp=sharing