

Evolution of Audio and Speech Synthesis

Karan Dhingra
@kdhingra307

Support Staff

- ♦ Jupyter Notebook
- ♦ Tensorflow
- ♦ Librosa
- ♦ Matplotlib

BTS - Signal Synthesis

- ♦ Synthesis, what does it mean?
- ♦ Is synthesis of the sound wave is different than that of sign wave??
- ♦ What's the need for synthesizing??
- ♦ MOS, what is it??

HOW To - Signal Synthesis

- ♦ Input the signal and normalize it.
- ♦ Align it in a sequential manner if it is not.
- ♦ Clean the signal i.e. remove silence and extra noise.
- ♦ Feed the signal into a sequential neural learning architecture (RNNs).
- ♦ Raw Output from RNNs (As regression) vs Discretisation into levels(As Classification)

raw_signal.ipynb

BTS - Statistical Techniques for Speech

- ♦ Do statistical techniques uses a neural network to synthesize speech??
- ♦ Why can't we just synthesize audio just like we synthesized sine wave??
- ♦ MFCCs or Mel Spectrogram - What are these??

griff_lim.ipynb

BTS - Neural Techniques For Speech

- ♦ How are these different from statistical techniques??
- ♦ How much computation differences do both shows??
- ♦ How much quality gain is generally observed??

wavernn.ipynb

Current Work

- ♦ Wavenet [wavenet.ipynb]
- ♦ Tacotron 1 [tacotron.ipynb]
- ♦ Tacotron 2 [tacotron_wavenet.ipynb]
- ♦ WaveRNN [wavernn.ipynb]

My Work

- ♦ Fast Architecture, that synthesizes audio using the neural vocoder.
- ♦ Stream-Based Approach to synthesize speech.
- ♦ Sparsed Speech Generator.

Thank you