# **Computational Analysis of Sound and Music**



# **Environmental Sound Analysis – Sound Event Detection 2**

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#### **Outline**

- Data Augmentation
- Neural Network Architectures
- Current Research Directions

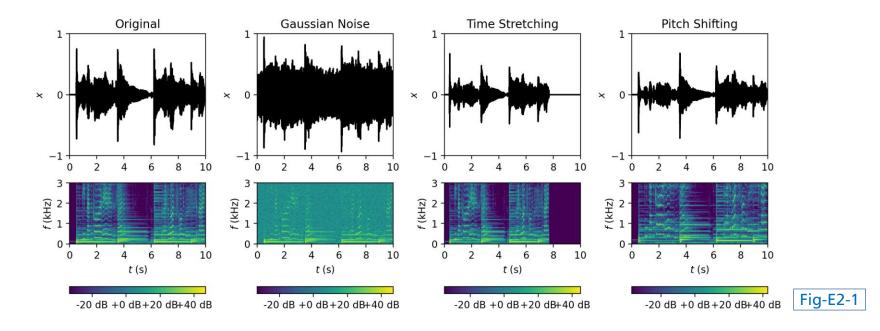


#### **Data Augmentation**

- Motivation
  - Overcoming data scarcity
    - (Artificially) increase amount & diversity of training data
    - Balancing classes
  - Higher robustness
    - Better generalization to unseen data
    - Model regularization by adding noise & perturbations to the data

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    - Dynamic range compression
  - Spectrogram transformations
    - SpecAugment [Park, 2019]
      - Temporal warping (1)
      - Block-wise masking (2)

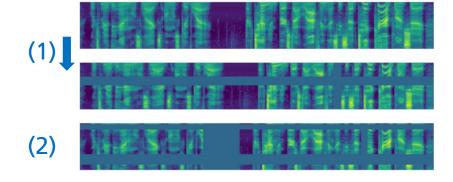
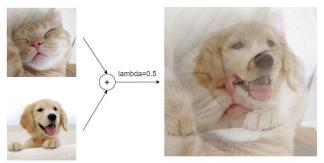


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#### **Data Augmentation**

- Methods
  - Mix-up data augmentation [Zhang, 2018]
    - Mix two data instances with random mixing ratio
      - Simulates sound overlap
    - Linear interpolations of data points
      - Improves robustness / generalization





Label = [1,0,...,0] Label = [0,1,...,0]New inter-class  $(\alpha = 0.2)$ Label = [0.2,0.8,...,0]

Computer Vision Fig-E2-3

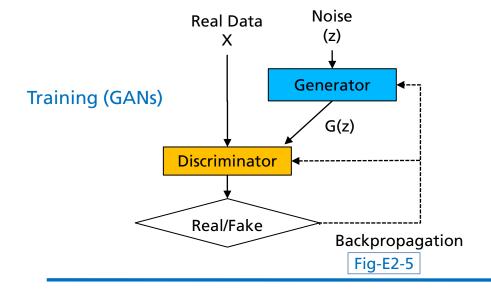
Machine Listening

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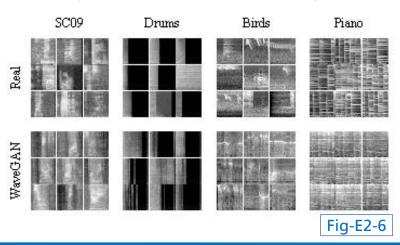


#### **Data Augmentation**

- Methods
  - Data Synthesis
    - Example: WaveGAN [Donahue, 2019]
    - Synthesize waveforms with Generative Adversarial Networks (GAN)

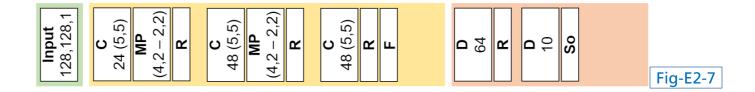


#### Synthesis examples (Spectrograms)





- Example 1: CNN-SB [Salamon & Bello, 2017]
  - Three convolutional blocks (front-end)
  - Flattening of 4D feature maps
  - Two dense layers
  - Pooling + Softmax → file-level sound classification



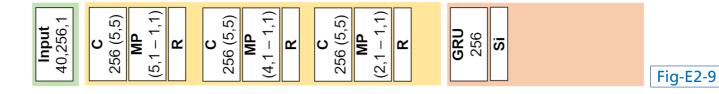


- Example 2: CNN-TAK [Takahashi et al., 2016]
  - Three input channels: Mel spectrogram +  $\Delta$  +  $\Delta\Delta$ 
    - Emphasize frames with rapid energy increase (sound transients)
  - "VGG-style" convolutional blocks
    - Two consecutive conv. layers w/o intermediate pooling
    - Two non-linearities instead of one per block -> more expressive model
  - Pooling + Softmax → file-level sound classification



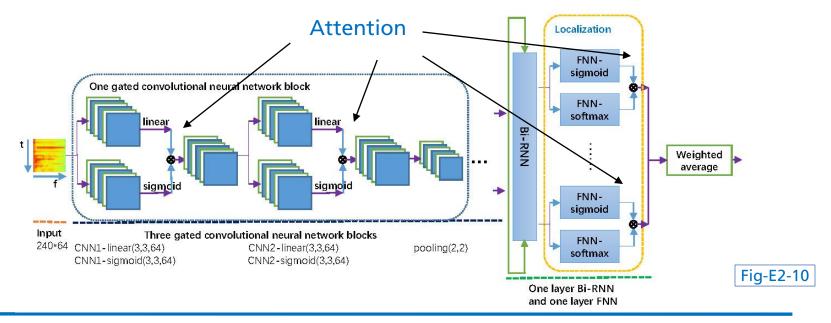


- Example 3: CRNN-CAK [Cakir et al., 2017]
  - Sound event detection → maintain time-resolution of spectrogram throughout the network (no temporal downsampling)
  - Gated Recurrent Unit (GRU) → model temporal feature progression
  - Output
    - Frame-level sound activity (floating number between 0 and 1)
    - Requires thresholding strategy to binarize predictions





- Example 4: CRNN + Attention [Xu, Kong, et al., 2018]
  - Parallel convolutional layers → gates to feature maps
    - Both in front-end and backend
  - Attention → better focus on relevant regions





#### **Neural Network Architectures**

- Example 5: Audio Spectrogram Transformer [Kong et al., 2021]
  - Spectrogram → patches → embeddings
  - Positional encoding → injects information about relative position of patches
  - Encoder → uses multi-head attention modules (allows to focus on different parts of the input sequence at the same time)

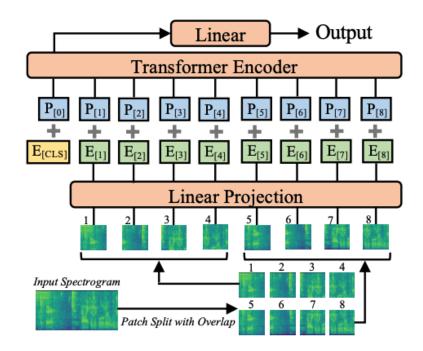


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- DCASE Challenge 2024 Task 4
  - Audio and Audiovisual Sound Event Localization and Detection with Source Distance Estimation
    - https://dcase.community/challenge2024/task-audio-andaudiovisual-sound-event-localization-and-detection-withsource-distance-estimation



- DCASE Challenge 2023 Task 4
  - Sound Event Detection with Weak Labels and Synthetic Soundscapes
    - https://dcase.community/challenge2023/task-sound-eventdetection-with-weak-labels-and-synthetic-soundscapes



- DCASE Challenge 2024 Task 5
  - Few-shot Bioacoustic Event Detection
    - https://dcase.community/challenge2024/task-few-shotbioacoustic-event-detection



- DCASE Challenge 2024 Task 8
  - Language-based Audio Retrieval
    - https://dcase.community/challenge2024/task-language-basedaudio-retrieval



# **Programming session**



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# References

#### **Images**

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Fig-E2-1: Own
Fig-E2-2: [Park, 2019], p. 2614, Fig. 2
Fig-E2-3: https://miro.medium.com/max/955/1*XqyD5OE47AdqeR6KeMg9FQ.png
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Fig-E2-10: [Xu, 2018], p. 2, Fig. 1
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