

# Dense CNN with Self-Attention for Time- Domain Speech Enhancement

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# Introduction

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當語音受到背景噪音污染時，不只是頻率的大小會受到影響，連同相位也會跟著改變，但是調整相位的風險極大，很有可能會使語音品質變得非常糟。

而從在時域處理訊號時，可以將頻率的大小與相位一同改變，而且比從頻域處理相位更加安全。

因此本篇論文提出了一種結合了 Dense CNN 與 Self Attention 的時域語音增強模型，並使用了對語音及背景音同時約束的新損失函數。

# Methodology

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U-Net

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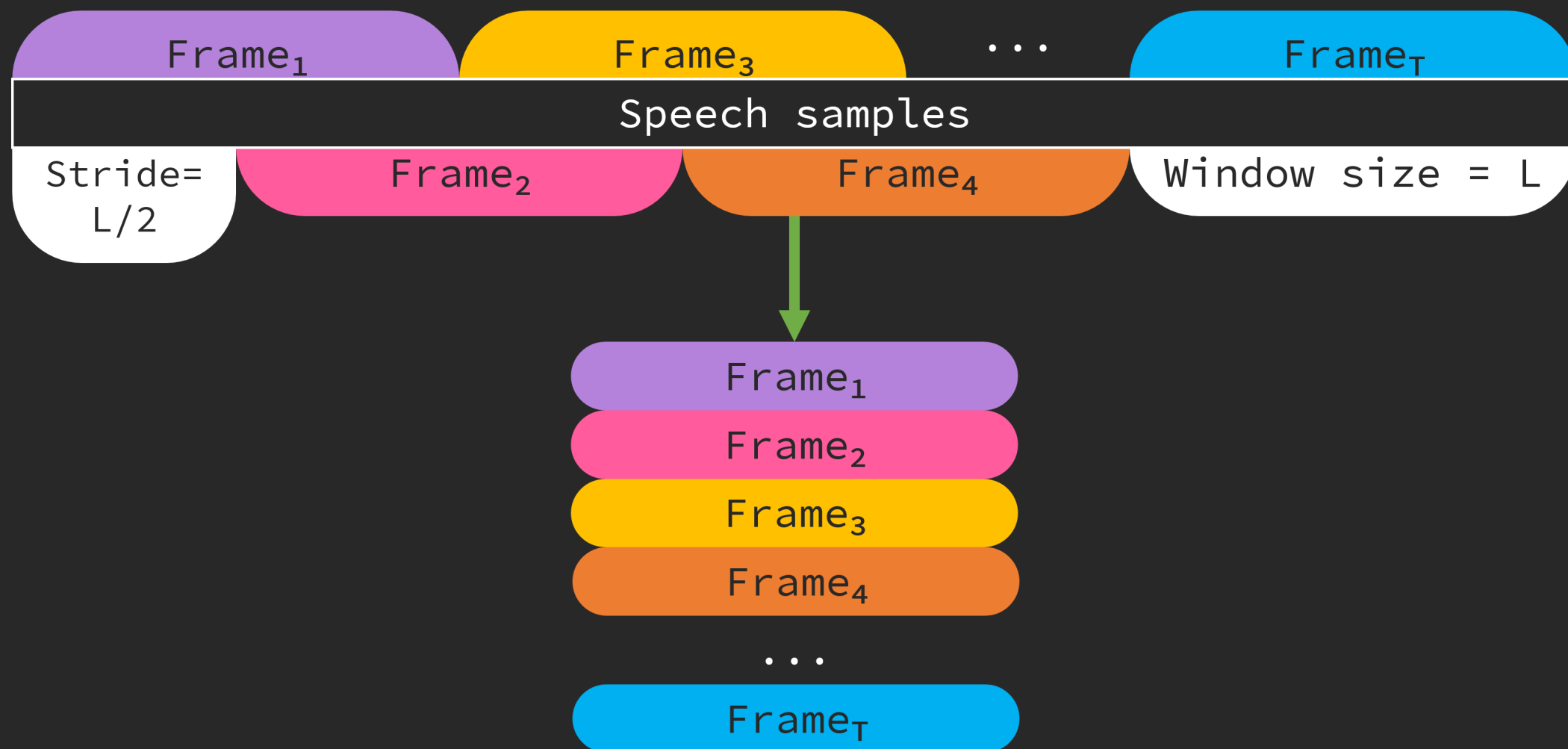
Dense Net

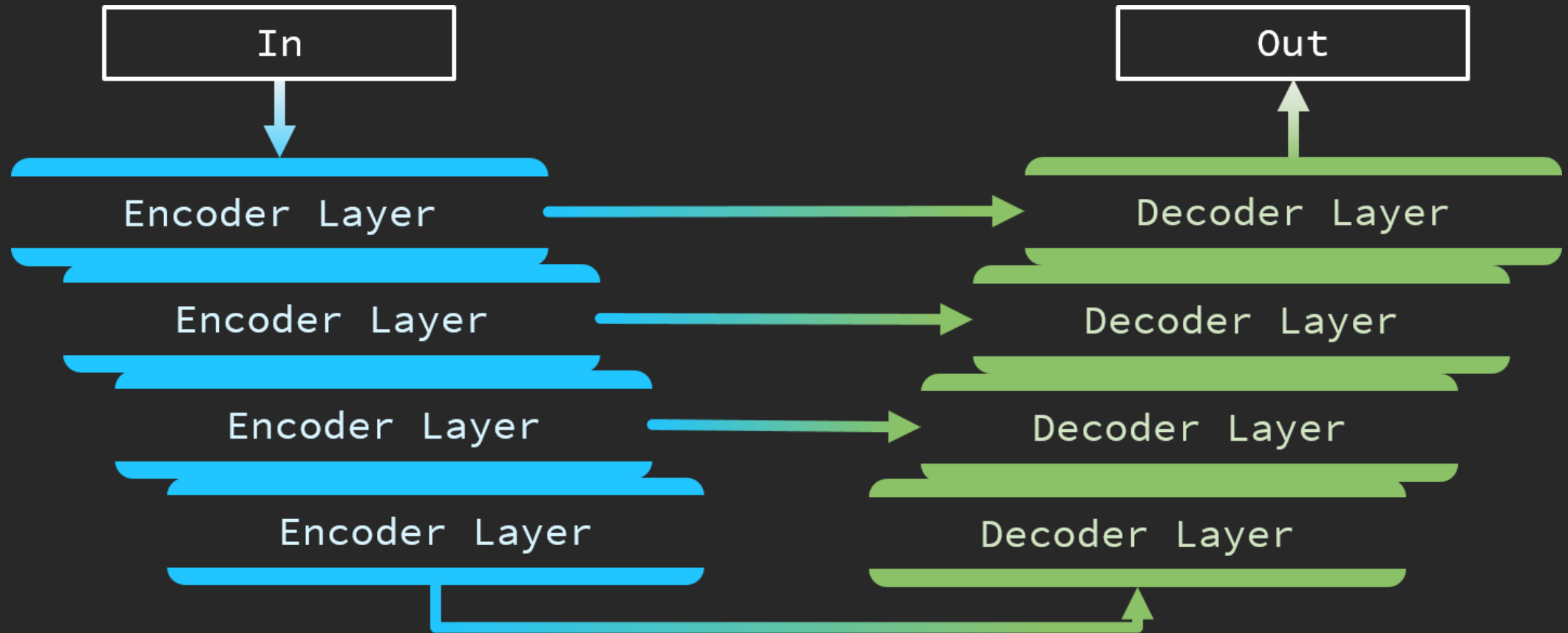
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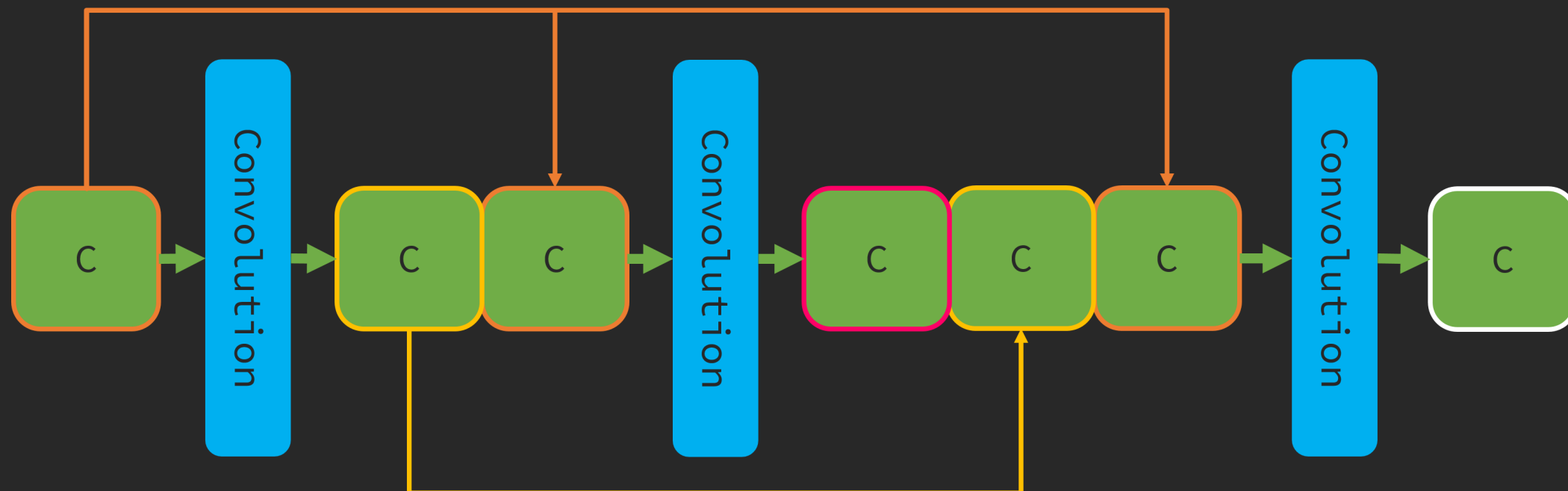
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Self Attention



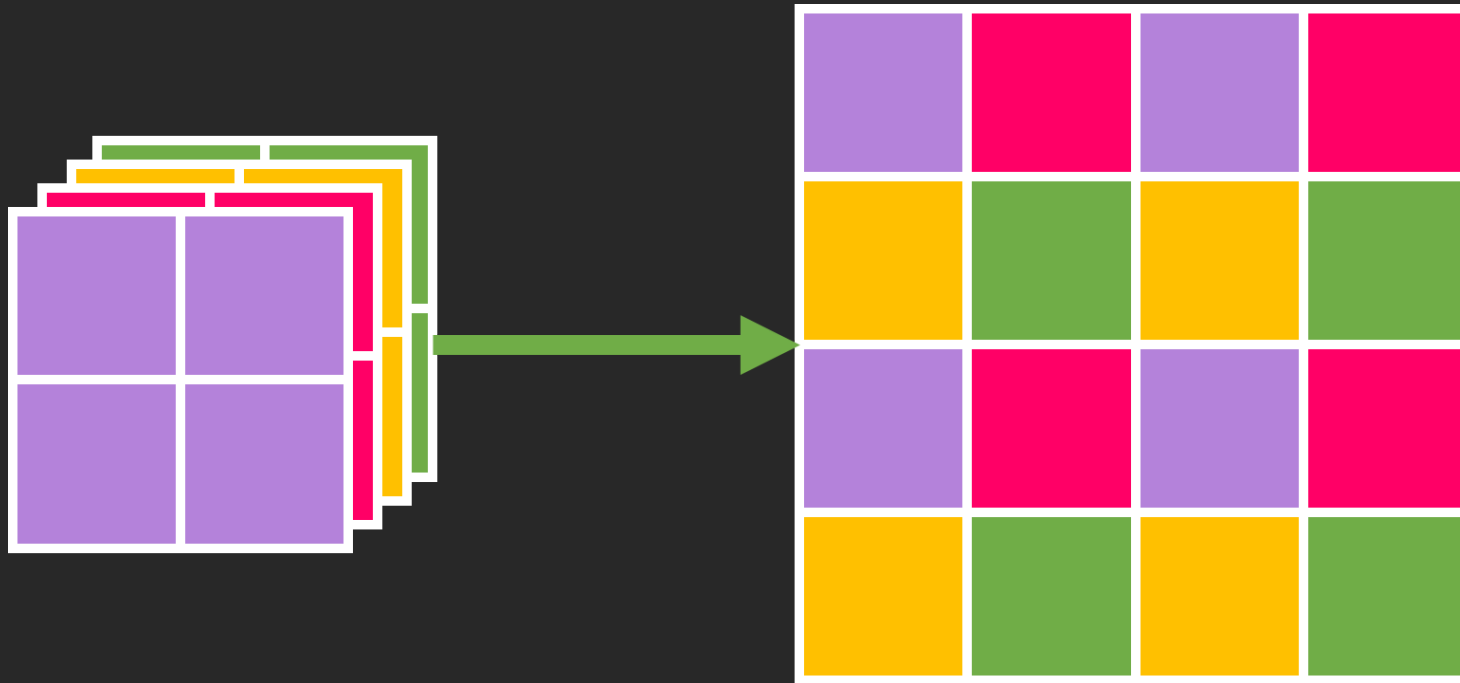


# Dense Net



# Sub-pixel Convolution

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# Self Attention

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Causal :  $\text{Softmax}(\text{Mask}(QK^T))V$

Non Causal :  $\text{Softmax}(QK^T)V$

- Time-Domain Loss

$$\mathcal{L}_T(s, \hat{s}) = MSE(s, \hat{s})$$

- STFT Magnitude Loss

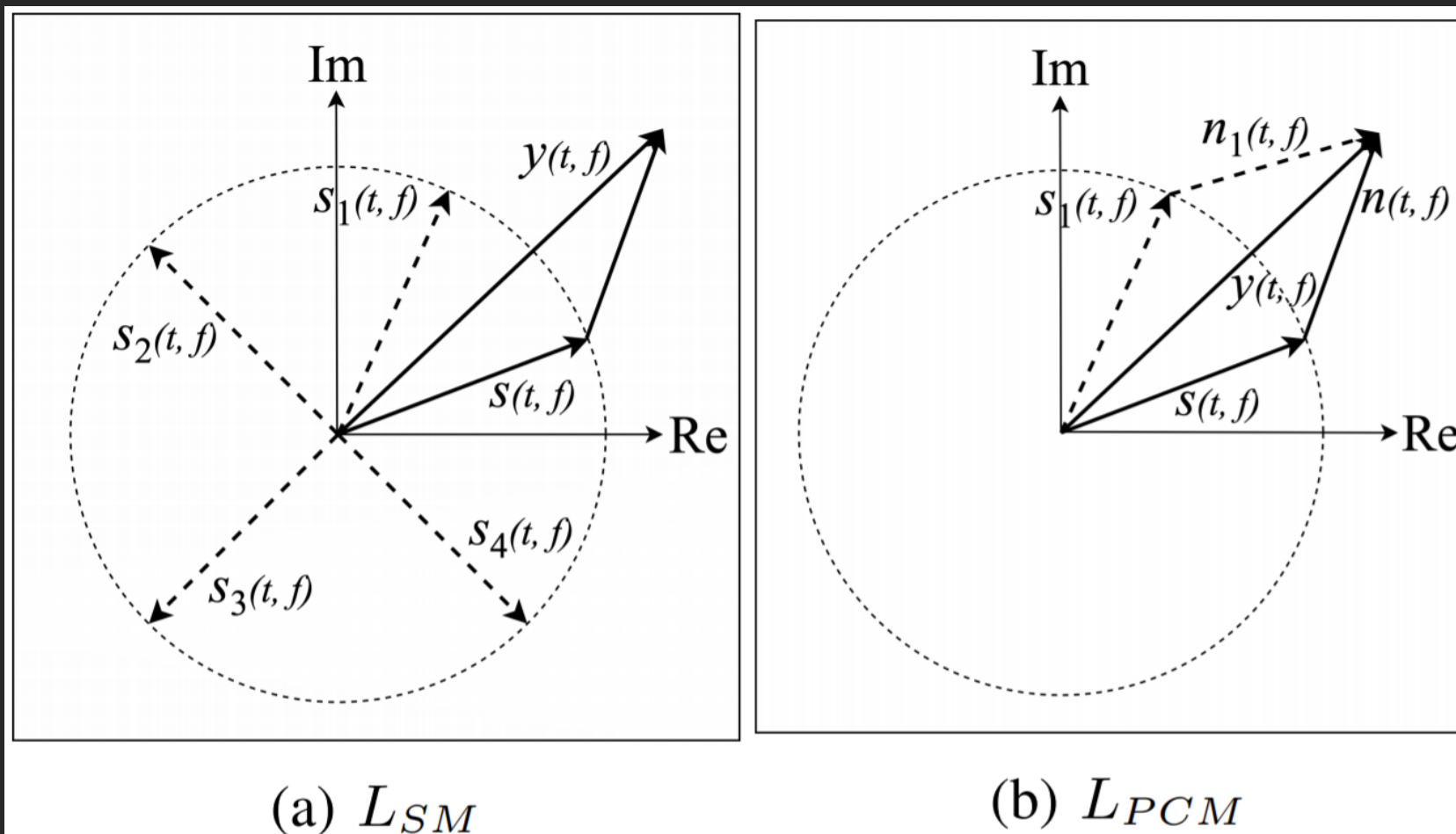
$$\mathcal{L}_{SM}(s, \hat{s}) = MAE(mag(s), mag(\hat{s}))$$

- Time-frequency Loss

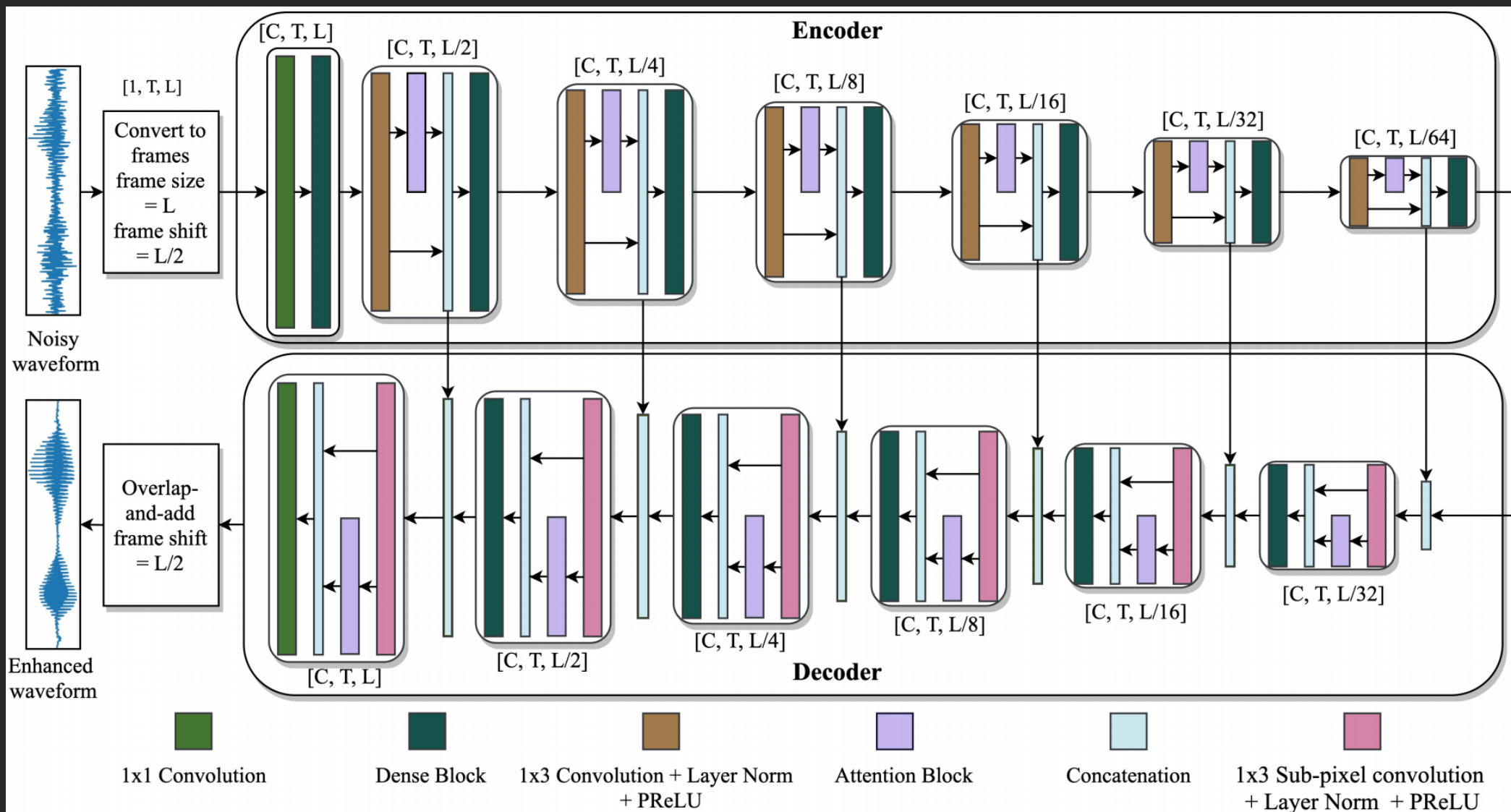
$$\mathcal{L}_{TF}(s, \hat{s}) = \alpha \mathcal{L}_T + (1 - \alpha) \mathcal{L}_{SM}$$

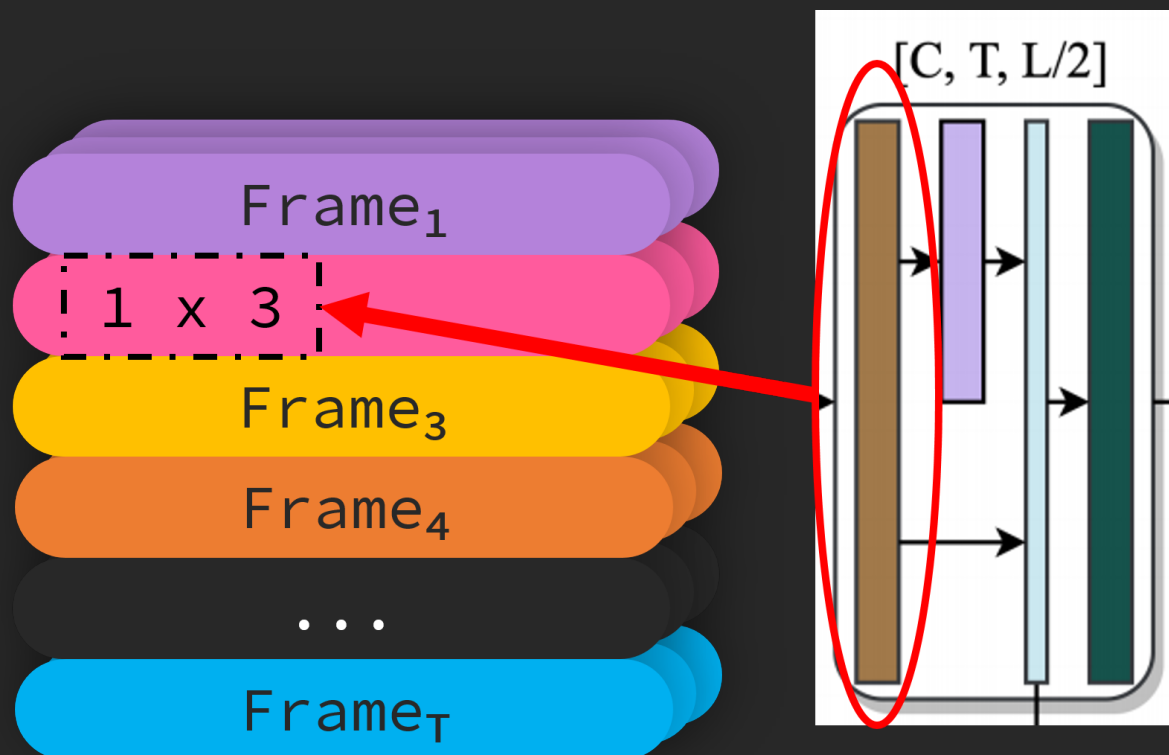
- Phase Constrained Magnitude Loss

$$\mathcal{L}_{PCM}(s, \hat{s}) = 0.5 \mathcal{L}_{SM}(s, \hat{s}) + 0.5 \mathcal{L}_{SM}(n, x - \hat{s})$$

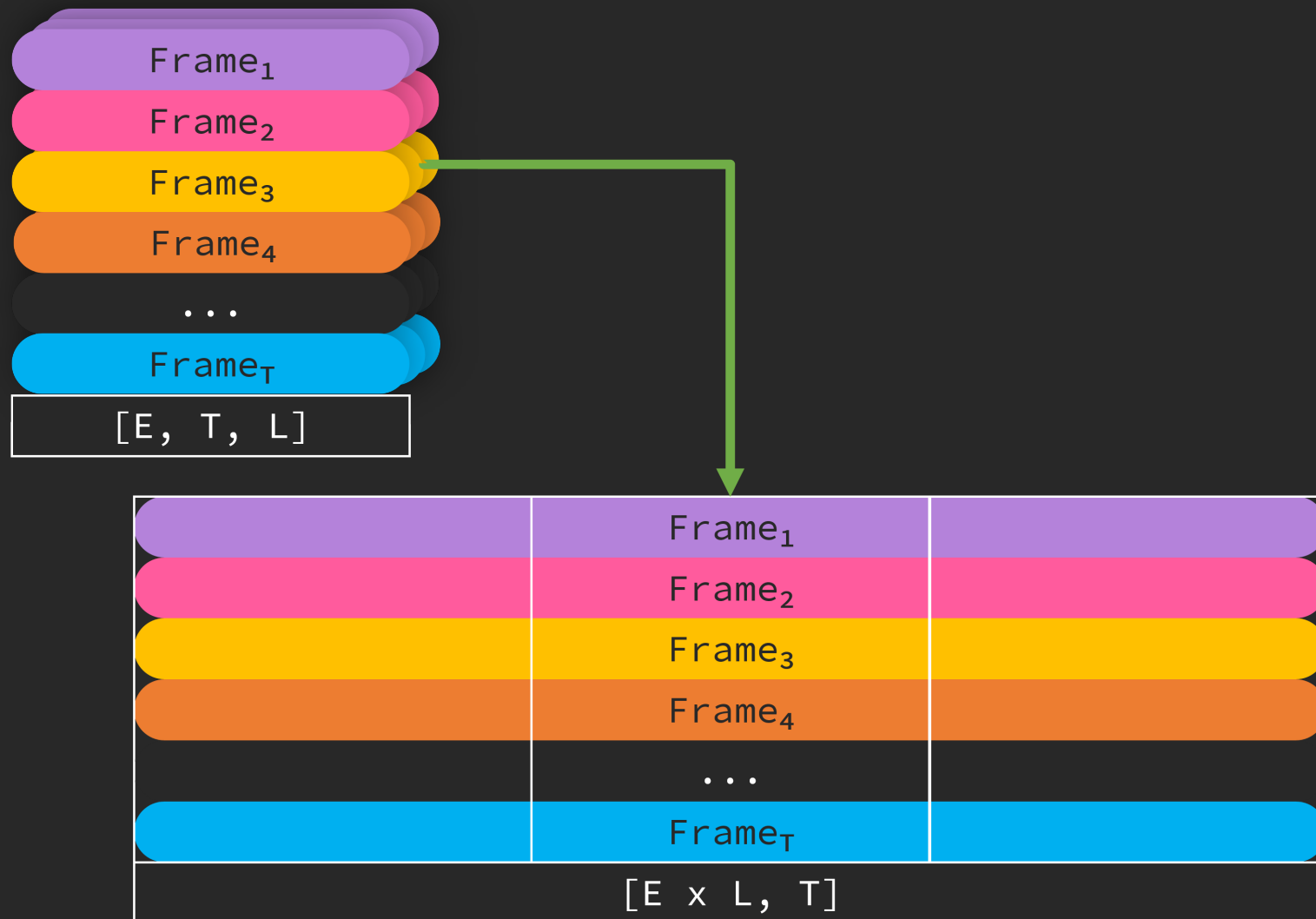


# Architecture



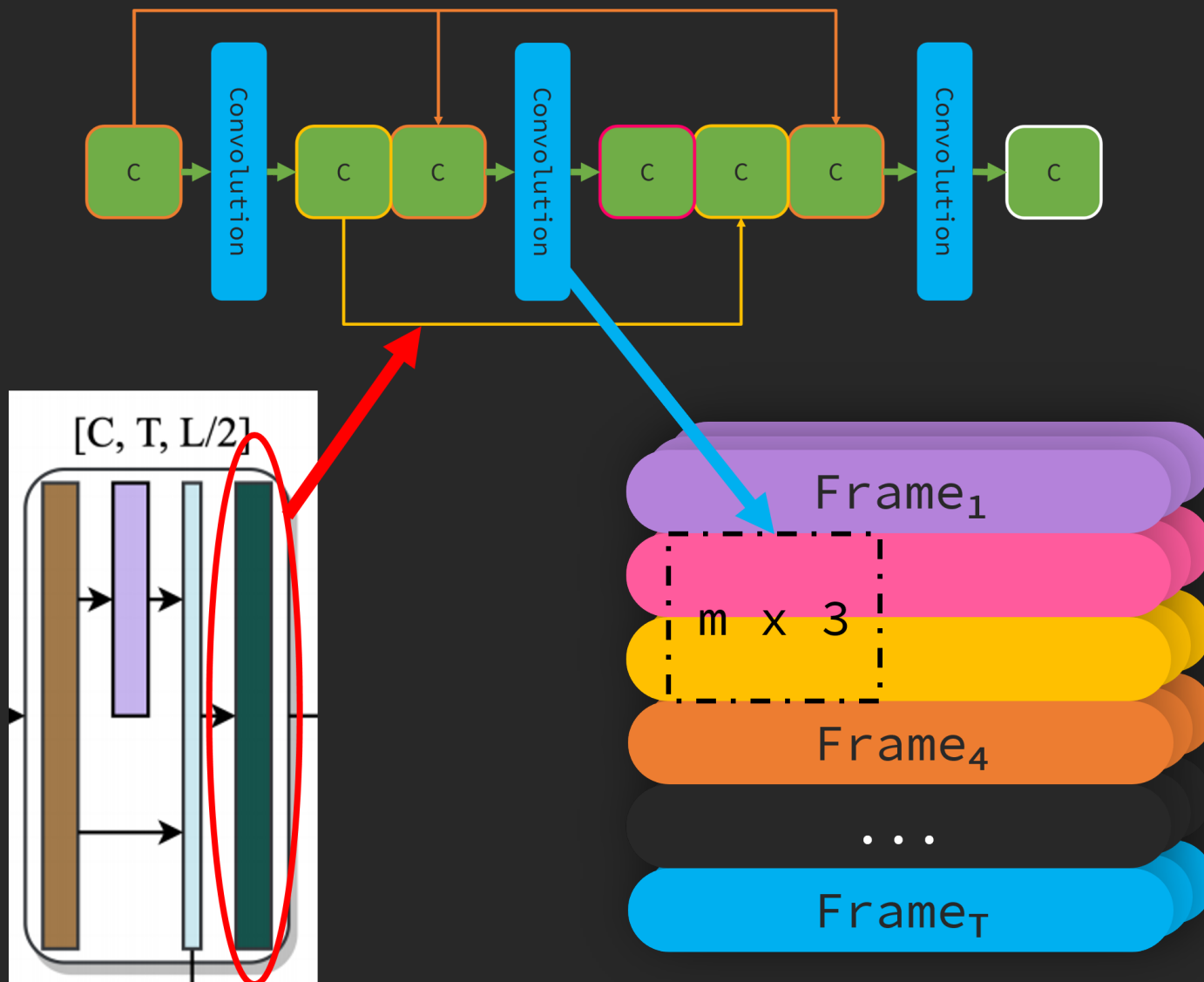


# Architecture Self Attention Shape

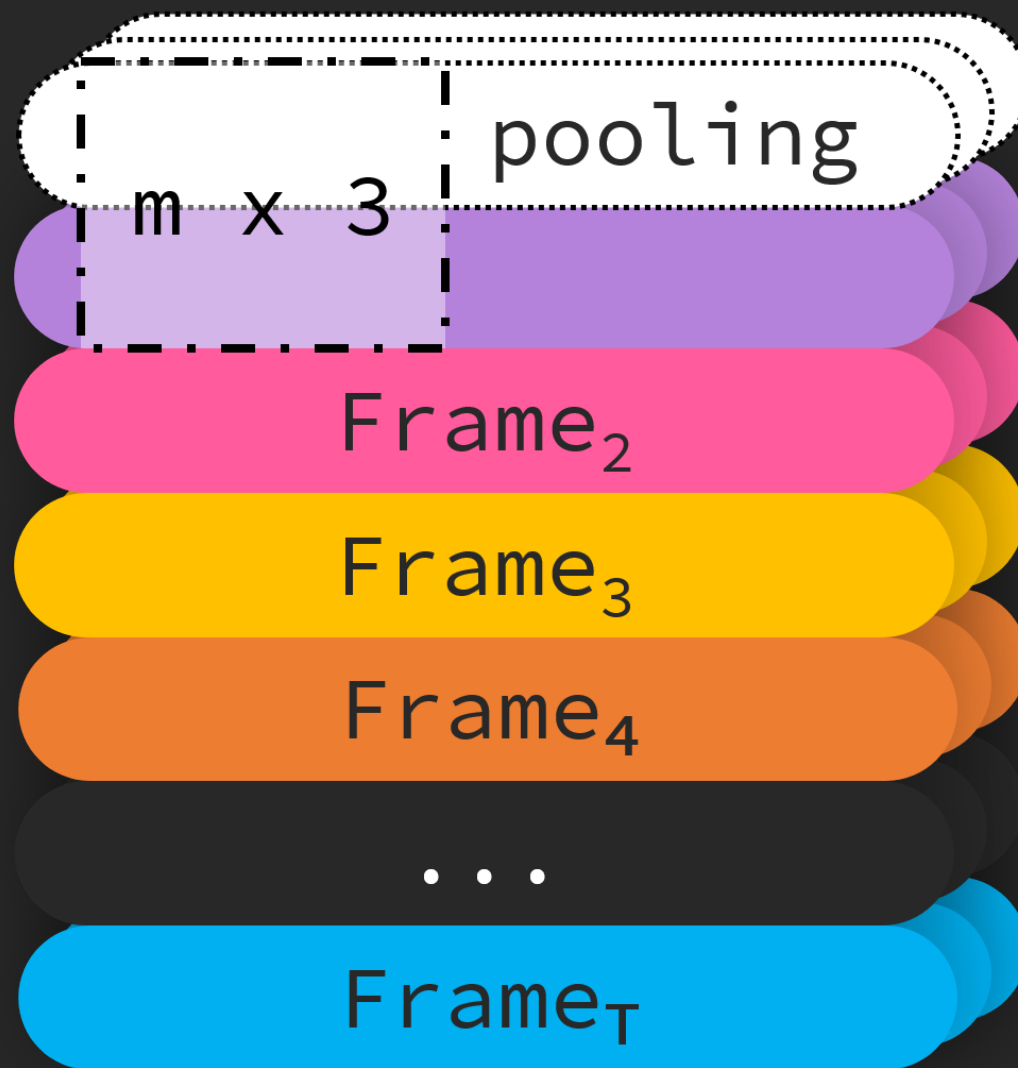


# Architecture Self Attention Shape

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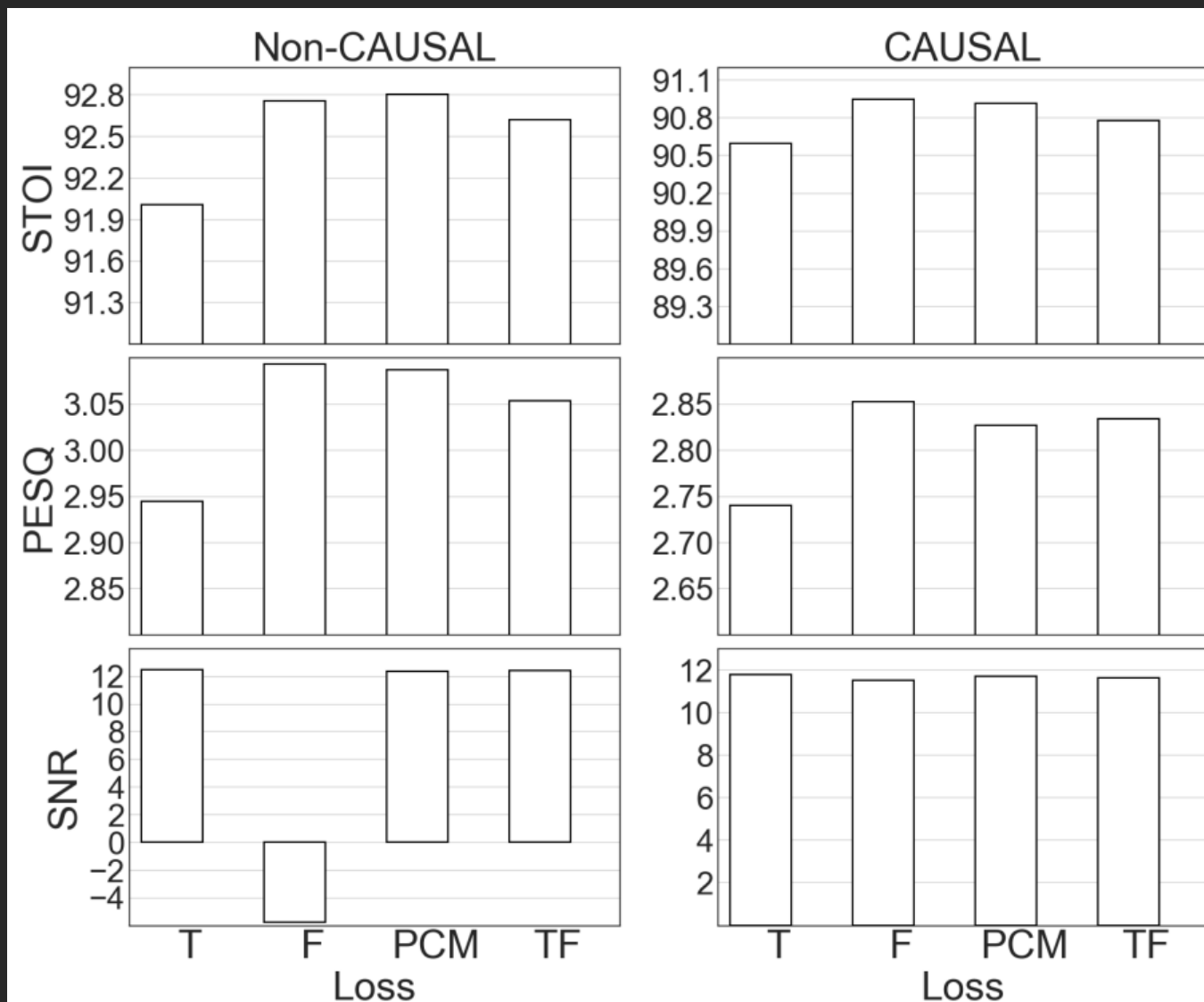
# Experiments

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- Sample rate : 16kHz
- Hamming window
  - size : 512
  - stride : 256
- Optimizer : Adam

- 語音：WSJ0 SI-84 dataset
- 訓練用噪音：10000 non-speech sounds from Sound Ideas
- 測試用噪音：babble and cafeteria noises from an Auditec CD

# Experiments



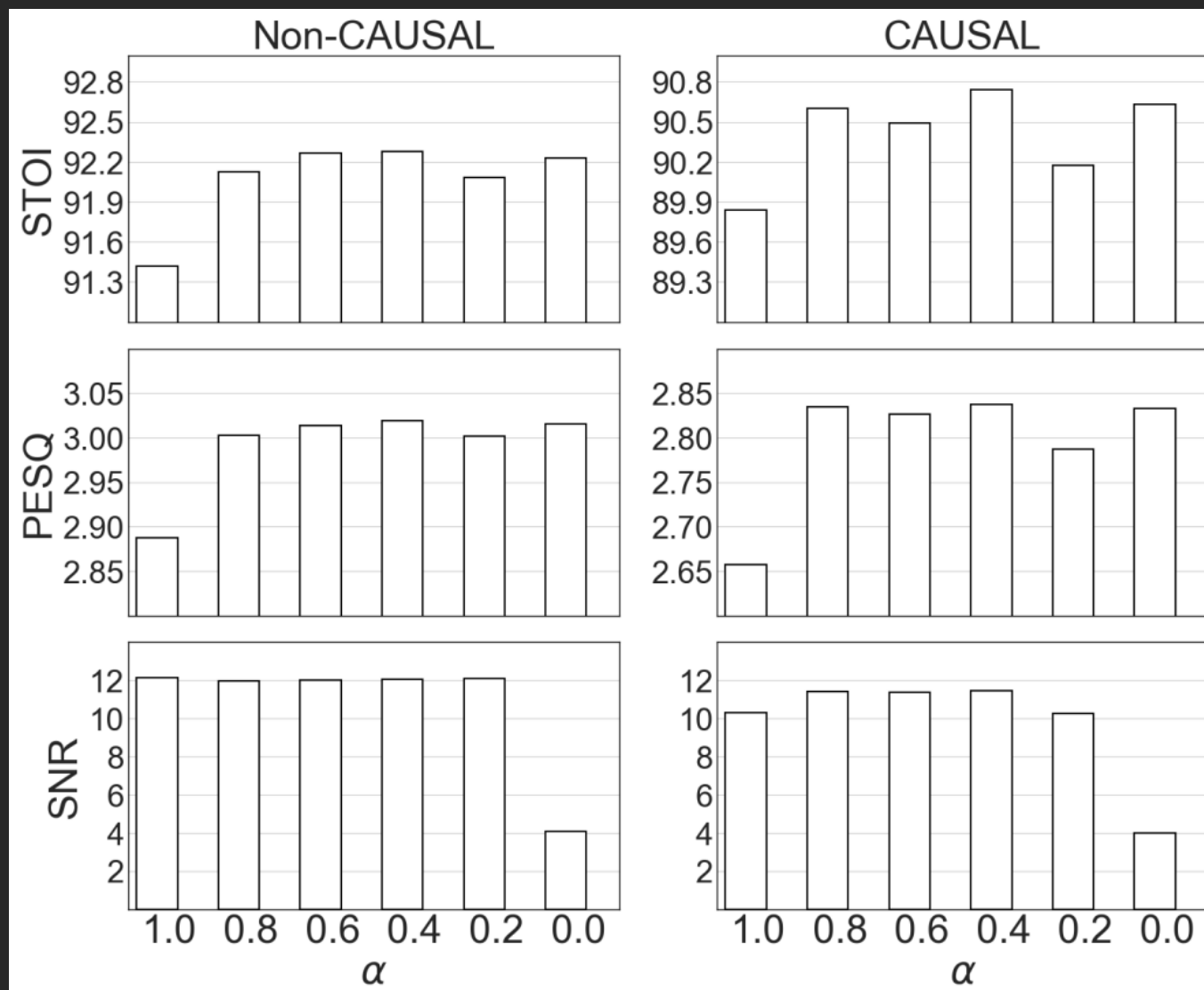
# Experiments

| Metric        |     |      |      | STOI        |             |             |             |             |             |             |             | PESQ        |             |             |             |             |             |             |             | SNR        |             |             |             |            |             |             |             |
|---------------|-----|------|------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Test noise    |     |      |      | Babble      |             |             |             | Cafeteria   |             |             |             | Babble      |             |             |             | Cafeteria   |             |             |             | Babble     |             |             |             | Cafeteria  |             |             |             |
| Test SNR (dB) |     |      |      | -5          | 0           | 5           | Avg.        | -5          | 0           | 5           | Avg.        | -5          | 0           | 5           | Avg.        | -5          | 0           | 5           | Avg.        | -5         | 0           | 5           | Avg.        | -5         | 0           | 5           | Avg.        |
| Mixture       |     |      |      | 58.4        | 70.5        | 81.3        | 70.1        | 57.1        | 69.7        | 81.0        | 69.2        | 1.56        | 1.82        | 2.12        | 1.83        | 1.46        | 1.77        | 2.12        | 1.78        | -5.0       | 0.0         | 5.0         | 0           | -5.0       | 0.0         | 5.0         | 0.0         |
| Causal        | 1   | ×    | ×    | 76.7        | 88.0        | 93.2        | 86.0        | 76.4        | 87.8        | 92.9        | 85.7        | 1.90        | 2.39        | 2.76        | 2.35        | 2.02        | 2.49        | 2.84        | 2.45        | 5.5        | 9.9         | 13.4        | 9.6         | 6.5        | 10.4        | 13.4        | 10.1        |
|               | 2   | ×    | ×    | 81.6        | 91.3        | 95.0        | 89.3        | 80.5        | 90.2        | 94.3        | 88.3        | 2.13        | 2.70        | 3.08        | 2.64        | 2.17        | 2.68        | 3.05        | 2.63        | 7.4        | 11.5        | 14.7        | 11.2        | 7.7        | 11.4        | 14.4        | 11.2        |
|               | 2   | ✓    | ×    | 83.5        | 91.9        | 95.2        | 90.2        | 81.4        | 90.5        | 94.5        | 88.8        | 2.23        | 2.75        | 3.12        | 2.70        | 2.21        | 2.70        | 3.07        | 2.66        | 7.7        | 11.8        | 15.0        | 11.5        | 7.9        | 11.5        | 14.5        | 11.3        |
|               | 2   | ✓    | ✓    | 84.9        | 92.2        | 95.3        | 90.8        | 82.1        | 90.7        | 94.6        | 89.1        | 2.30        | 2.77        | 3.14        | 2.74        | 2.23        | 2.71        | 3.08        | 2.67        | 8.2        | 12.0        | <b>15.1</b> | 11.8        | <b>8.2</b> | <b>11.7</b> | <b>14.7</b> | <b>11.5</b> |
|               | 2   | ×    | ✓    | <b>85.3</b> | <b>92.3</b> | <b>95.4</b> | <b>91.0</b> | <b>82.3</b> | <b>90.8</b> | <b>94.7</b> | <b>89.3</b> | <b>2.34</b> | <b>2.81</b> | <b>3.17</b> | <b>2.77</b> | <b>2.24</b> | <b>2.72</b> | <b>3.09</b> | <b>2.68</b> | <b>8.5</b> | <b>12.1</b> | <b>15.1</b> | <b>11.9</b> | <b>8.2</b> | <b>11.7</b> | <b>14.7</b> | <b>11.5</b> |
|               | 1   | ×    | ✓    | 83.9        | 91.8        | 95.2        | 90.3        | 81.0        | 90.3        | 94.5        | 88.6        | 2.23        | 2.72        | 3.09        | 2.68        | 2.15        | 2.62        | 3.01        | 2.59        | 7.9        | 11.8        | 15.0        | 11.6        | 7.9        | 11.5        | 14.5        | 11.3        |
| Non-causal    | 3   | ×    | ×    | 84.7        | 92.5        | 95.7        | 90.9        | 83.1        | 91.4        | 95.0        | 89.8        | 2.37        | 2.88        | 3.22        | 2.82        | 2.34        | 2.82        | 3.16        | 2.77        | 8.2        | 12.2        | 15.2        | 11.9        | 8.3        | 11.8        | 14.7        | 11.6        |
|               | 3   | ✓    | ×    | 86.6        | 92.9        | 95.7        | 91.7        | 84.1        | 91.7        | 95.0        | 90.3        | 2.53        | 2.96        | 3.24        | 2.91        | 2.44        | 2.88        | 3.19        | 2.84        | 9.1        | 12.5        | 15.3        | 12.3        | 8.7        | 12.0        | 14.8        | 11.8        |
|               | 3   | ✓    | ✓    | <b>87.9</b> | <b>93.5</b> | 96.0        | 92.4        | 85.0        | 92.0        | 95.2        | 90.8        | <b>2.61</b> | 3.02        | 3.32        | 2.98        | <b>2.47</b> | <b>2.91</b> | <b>3.24</b> | <b>2.87</b> | <b>9.6</b> | <b>12.9</b> | 15.7        | 12.7        | <b>8.9</b> | 12.2        | 15.0        | 12.0        |
|               | 3   | ×    | ✓    | <b>87.9</b> | <b>93.5</b> | <b>96.1</b> | <b>92.5</b> | <b>85.0</b> | <b>92.1</b> | <b>95.3</b> | <b>90.8</b> | <b>2.61</b> | <b>3.04</b> | <b>3.33</b> | <b>2.99</b> | 2.45        | <b>2.91</b> | 3.23        | 2.86        | <b>9.6</b> | <b>12.9</b> | <b>15.8</b> | <b>12.8</b> | <b>8.9</b> | <b>12.3</b> | <b>15.1</b> | <b>12.1</b> |
|               | 1   | ×    | ✓    | 83.7        | 91.5        | 95.2        | 90.1        | 80.1        | 89.8        | 94.3        | 88.1        | 2.24        | 2.71        | 3.09        | 2.68        | 2.13        | 2.59        | 2.98        | 2.57        | 8.3        | 12.0        | 15.2        | 11.8        | 7.8        | 11.4        | 14.6        | 11.3        |
|               | $m$ | Dil. | Att. |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |            |             |             |             |            |             |             |             |

# Experiments

| Approach | Causal? | Real-time? | Metric        | STOI        |             |             |             |             |             |             |             | PESQ        |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
|----------|---------|------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|          |         |            | Test Noise    | Babble      |             |             |             | Cafeteria   |             |             |             | Babble      |             |             |             | Cafeteria   |             |             |             |
|          |         |            | Test SNR      | -5 dB       | 0 dB        | 5 dB        | AVG         | -5 dB       | 0 dB        | 5 dB        | AVG         | -5 dB       | 0 dB        | 5 dB        | AVG         | -5 dB       | 0 dB        | 5 dB        | AVG         |
|          |         |            | Mixture       | 58.4        | 70.5        | 81.3        | 70.1        | 57.1        | 69.7        | 81.0        | 69.2        | 1.56        | 1.82        | 2.12        | 1.83        | 1.46        | 1.77        | 2.12        | 1.78        |
| a)       | ×       | ×          | BLSTM [12]    | 77.4        | 85.8        | 91.0        | 84.7        | 76.1        | 84.7        | 90.5        | 83.7        | 1.97        | 2.37        | 2.69        | 2.34        | 2.01        | 2.38        | 2.51        | 2.30        |
| b)       | ×       | ×          | GRN [13]      | 80.2        | 88.9        | 93.4        | 87.5        | 79.4        | 88.0        | 92.9        | 86.8        | 2.16        | 2.63        | 2.97        | 2.59        | 2.23        | 2.62        | 2.96        | 2.60        |
| c)       | ✓       | ✓          | GCRN [19]     | 82.4        | 90.9        | 94.8        | 89.4        | 79.1        | 89.3        | 94.0        | 87.5        | 2.17        | 2.70        | 3.07        | 2.65        | 2.10        | 2.60        | 2.99        | 2.56        |
|          | ×       | ×          | NC-GCRN [19]  | 87.0        | 93.0        | 95.6        | 91.9        | 84.1        | 91.7        | 95.1        | 90.3        | 2.53        | 2.96        | 3.25        | 2.91        | 2.40        | 2.85        | 3.17        | 2.81        |
| d)       | ✓       | ×          | SEGAN-T [20]  | 81.5        | 90.3        | 94.1        | 88.6        | 79.8        | 89.5        | 93.5        | 87.6        | 2.11        | 2.62        | 2.97        | 2.57        | 2.15        | 2.61        | 2.94        | 2.57        |
|          | ✓       | ×          | AECNN-SM [24] | 82.6        | 91.5        | 95.1        | 89.7        | 81.1        | 90.7        | 94.5        | 88.8        | 2.21        | 2.80        | 3.17        | 2.73        | 2.23        | 2.76        | 3.12        | 2.70        |
|          | ✓       | ✓          | TCNN [25]     | 82.8        | 91.3        | 94.8        | 89.6        | 80.6        | 89.8        | 94.0        | 88.1        | 2.18        | 2.70        | 3.06        | 2.65        | 2.14        | 2.62        | 2.98        | 2.58        |
|          | ✓       | ✓          | DCN-T         | <b>85.3</b> | 92.3        | 95.4        | 91.0        | 82.3        | 90.8        | 94.7        | 89.3        | 2.34        | 2.81        | 3.17        | 2.77        | 2.24        | 2.72        | 3.09        | 2.68        |
|          | ✓       | ✓          | DCN-SM        | 85.2        | <b>92.7</b> | <b>95.8</b> | <b>91.2</b> | <b>82.5</b> | <b>91.3</b> | <b>95.1</b> | <b>89.6</b> | <b>2.35</b> | <b>2.93</b> | <b>3.31</b> | <b>2.86</b> | <b>2.33</b> | <b>2.85</b> | <b>3.22</b> | <b>2.80</b> |
|          | ✓       | ✓          | DCN-PCM       | 85.1        | <b>92.7</b> | <b>95.8</b> | <b>91.2</b> | <b>82.5</b> | <b>91.3</b> | <b>95.1</b> | <b>89.6</b> | 2.31        | 2.91        | 3.30        | 2.84        | 2.29        | 2.82        | <b>3.22</b> | 2.78        |
|          | ×       | ×          | NC-DCN-T      | 87.9        | 93.5        | 96.1        | 92.5        | 85.0        | 92.1        | 95.3        | 90.8        | 2.61        | 3.04        | 3.33        | 2.99        | 2.45        | 2.91        | 3.23        | 2.86        |
|          | ×       | ×          | NC-DCN-SM     | <b>89.1</b> | 94.2        | 96.5        | <b>93.3</b> | <b>85.8</b> | 92.9        | 95.8        | <b>91.5</b> | <b>2.75</b> | <b>3.19</b> | 3.46        | <b>3.13</b> | <b>2.61</b> | <b>3.07</b> | 3.37        | <b>3.02</b> |
|          | ×       | ×          | NC-DCN-PCM    | 89.0        | <b>94.3</b> | <b>96.6</b> | <b>93.3</b> | 85.6        | <b>93.0</b> | <b>95.9</b> | <b>91.5</b> | 2.71        | 3.18        | <b>3.48</b> | 3.12        | 2.56        | 3.07        | <b>3.39</b> | 3.01        |

# Experiments



<https://web.cse.ohio-state.edu/~wang.77/pnl/demo/PandeyDCN.html>



# Conclusion

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- 本篇論文提出基於時域的 DCN 模型並搭配時頻的損失函數在語音增強的任務中獲得了良好的成果。
- 雖然在 STOI 與 PESQ 的評估指標上，SM loss 具有較好的結果，但在實際由人耳評斷時 PCM loss 更接近乾淨的語音。
- 作者提到，基於 DNN 的語音增強方法不易泛化到未曾學習過的資料上面。
- 時域的 loss 有助於提升 SNR、頻域 loss 則能使 STOI 與 PESQ 上的分數提升。