# **Trigger Word Detection**

Welcome to the final programming assignment of this specialization!

In this week's videos, you learned about applying deep learning to speech recognition. In this assignment, you will construct a speech dataset and implement an algorithm for trigger word detection (sometimes also called keyword detection, or wakeword detection). Trigger word detection is the technology that allows devices like Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple Siri, and Baidu DuerOS to wake up upon hearing a certain word.

For this exercise, our trigger word will be "Activate." Every time it hears you say "activate," it will make a "chiming" sound. By the end of this assignment, you will be able to record a clip of yourself talking, and have the algorithm trigger a chime when it detects you saying "activate."

After completing this assignment, perhaps you can also extend it to run on your laptop so that every time you say "activate" it starts up your favorite app, or turns on a network connected lamp in your house, or triggers some other event?



In this assignment you will learn to:

- Structure a speech recognition project
- Synthesize and process audio recordings to create train/dev datasets
- Train a trigger word detection model and make predictions

Lets get started! Run the following cell to load the package you are going to use.

#### In [34]:

```
import numpy as np
from pydub import AudioSegment
import random
import sys
import io
import os
import glob
import IPython
from td_utils import *
%matplotlib inline
```

# 1 - Data synthesis: Creating a speech dataset

Let's start by building a dataset for your trigger word detection algorithm. A speech dataset should ideally be as close as possible to the application you will want to run it on. In this case, you'd like to detect the word "activate" in working environments (library, home, offices, open-spaces ...). You thus need to create recordings with a mix of positive words ("activate") and negative words (random words other than activate) on different background sounds. Let's see how you can create such a dataset.

## 1.1 - Listening to the data

One of your friends is helping you out on this project, and they've gone to libraries, cafes, restaurants, homes and offices all around the region to record background noises, as well as snippets of audio of people saying positive/negative words. This dataset includes people speaking in a variety of accents.

In the raw\_data directory, you can find a subset of the raw audio files of the positive words, negative words, and background noise. You will use these audio files to synthesize a dataset to train the model. The "activate" directory contains positive examples of people saying the word "activate". The "negatives" directory contains negative examples of people saying random words other than "activate". There is one word per audio recording. The "backgrounds" directory contains 10 second clips of background noise in different environments.

Run the cells below to listen to some examples.

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In [35]:
IPython.display.Audio("./raw_data/activates/1.wav")
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In [36]:
IPython.display.Audio("./raw_data/negatives/4.wav")
Out[36]:
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In [37]:
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IPython.display.Audio("./raw data/backgrounds/1.wav")

Out[37]:



You will use these three type of recordings (positives/negatives/backgrounds) to create a labelled dataset.

## 1.2 - From audio recordings to spectrograms

What really is an audio recording? A microphone records little variations in air pressure over time, and it is these little variations in air pressure that your ear also perceives as sound. You can think of an audio recording is a long list of numbers measuring the little air pressure changes detected by the microphone. We will use audio sampled at 44100 Hz (or 44100 Hertz). This means the microphone gives us 44100 numbers per second. Thus, a 10 second audio clip is represented by 441000 numbers (=  $10 \times 4410010 \times 44100$ ).

It is quite difficult to figure out from this "raw" representation of audio whether the word "activate" was said. In order to help your sequence model more easily learn to detect triggerwords, we will compute a *spectrogram* of the audio. The spectrogram tells us how much different frequencies are present in an audio clip at a moment in time.

(If you've ever taken an advanced class on signal processing or on Fourier transforms, a spectrogram is computed by sliding a window over the raw audio signal, and calculates the most active frequencies in each window using a Fourier transform. If you don't understand the previous sentence, don't worry about it.)

Lets see an example.

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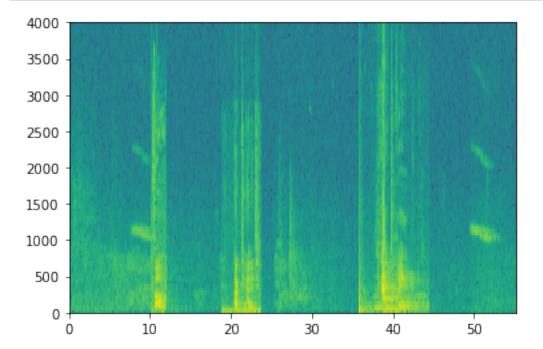
IPython.display.Audio("audio\_examples/example\_train.wav")

Out[38]:

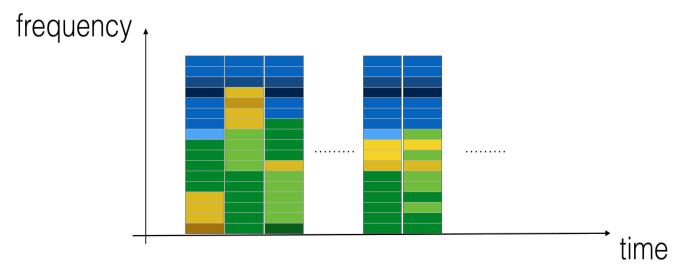


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In [39]:
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x = graph_spectrogram("audio_examples/example_train.wav")
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The graph above represents how active each frequency is (y axis) over a number of time-steps (x axis).



**Figure 1**: Spectrogram of an audio recording, where the color shows the degree to which different frequencies are present (loud) in the audio at different points in time. Green squares means a certain frequency is more active or more present in the audio clip (louder); blue squares denote less active frequencies.

The dimension of the output spectrogram depends upon the hyperparameters of the spectrogram software and the length of the input. In this notebook, we will be working with 10 second audio clips as the "standard length" for our training examples. The number of timesteps of the spectrogram will be 5511. You'll see later that the spectrogram will be the input xx into the network, and so  $T_x = 5511T_x = 5511$ .

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_, data = wavfile.read("audio_examples/example_train.wav")
print("Time steps in audio recording before spectrogram", data[:,0].shape)
print("Time steps in input after spectrogram", x.shape)
```

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Time steps in audio recording before spectrogram (441000,)
Time steps in input after spectrogram (101, 5511)
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Now, you can define:

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Note that even with 10 seconds being our default training example length, 10 seconds of time can be discretized to different numbers of value. You've seen 441000 (raw audio) and 5511 (spectrogram). In the former case, each step represents  $10/441000 \approx 0.00002310/441000 \approx 0.000023$  seconds. In the second case, each step represents  $10/5511 \approx 0.001810/5511 \approx 0.0018$  seconds.

For the 10sec of audio, the key values you will see in this assignment are:

- 441000441000 (raw audio)
- $5511 = T_x 5511 = T_y$  (spectrogram output, and dimension of input to the neural network).
- 1000010000 (used by the pydub module to synthesize audio)
- $1375 = T_y 1375 = T_y$  (the number of steps in the output of the GRU you'll build).

Note that each of these representations correspond to exactly 10 seconds of time. It's just that they are discretizing them to different degrees. All of these are hyperparameters and can be changed (except the 441000, which is a function of the microphone). We have chosen values that are within the standard ranges uses for speech systems.

Consider the  $T_y=1375\,T_y=1375$  number above. This means that for the output of the model, we discretize the 10s into 1375 time-intervals (each one of length  $10/1375\approx 0.007210/1375\approx 0.0072s$ ) and try to predict for each of these intervals whether someone recently finished saying "activate."

Consider also the 10000 number above. This corresponds to discretizing the 10sec clip into 10/10000 = 0.001 second itervals. 0.001 seconds is also called 1 millisecond, or 1ms. So when we say we are discretizing according to 1ms intervals, it means we are using 10,000 steps.

In [42]:

Ty = 1375 # The number of time steps in the output of our model

## 1.3 - Generating a single training example

Because speech data is hard to acquire and label, you will synthesize your training data using the audio clips of activates, negatives, and backgrounds. It is quite slow to record lots of 10 second audio clips with random "activates" in it. Instead, it is easier to record lots of positives and negative words, and record background noise separately (or download background noise from free online sources).

To synthesize a single training example, you will:

- Pick a random 10 second background audio clip
- Randomly insert 0-4 audio clips of "activate" into this 10sec clip
- Randomly insert 0-2 audio clips of negative words into this 10sec clip

Because you had synthesized the word "activate" into the background clip, you know exactly when in the 10sec clip the "activate" makes its appearance. You'll see later that this makes it easier to generate the labels  $y^{\langle t \rangle} y^{\langle t \rangle}$  as well.

You will use the pydub package to manipulate audio. Pydub converts raw audio files into lists of Pydub data structures (it is not important to know the details here). Pydub uses 1ms as the discretization interval (1ms is 1 millisecond = 1/1000 seconds) which is why a 10sec clip is always represented using 10,000 steps.

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In [43]:
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# Load audio segments using pydub
activates, negatives, backgrounds = load_raw_audio()

print("background len: " + str(len(backgrounds[0])))  # Should be 10,000, since is print("activate[0] len: " + str(len(activates[0])))  # Maybe around 1000, since is print("activate[1] len: " + str(len(activates[1])))  # Different "activate" clips
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background len: 10000 activate[0] len: 916 activate[1] len: 1579

#### Overlaying positive/negative words on the background:

Given a 10sec background clip and a short audio clip (positive or negative word), you need to be able to "add" or "insert" the word's short audio clip onto the background. To ensure audio segments inserted onto the background do not overlap, you will keep track of the times of previously inserted audio clips. You will be inserting multiple clips of positive/negative words onto the background, and you don't want to insert an "activate" or a random word somewhere that overlaps with another clip you had previously added.

For clarity, when you insert a 1sec "activate" onto a 10sec clip of cafe noise, you end up with a 10sec clip that sounds like someone saying "activate" in a cafe, with "activate" superimposed on the background cafe noise. You do *not* end up with an 11 sec clip. You'll see later how pydub allows you to do this.

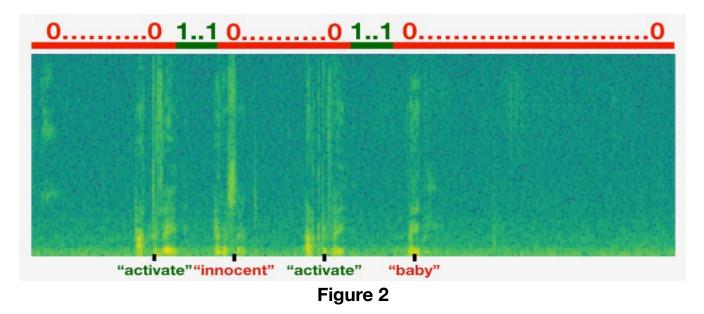
#### Creating the labels at the same time you overlay:

Recall also that the labels  $y^{\langle t \rangle} y^{\langle t \rangle}$  represent whether or not someone has just finished saying "activate." Given a background clip, we can initialize  $y^{\langle t \rangle} = 0$  for all tt, since the clip doesn't contain any "activates."

When you insert or overlay an "activate" clip, you will also update labels for  $y^{\langle t \rangle} y^{\langle t \rangle}$ , so that 50 steps of the output now have target label 1. You will train a GRU to detect when someone has *finished* saying "activate". For example, suppose the synthesized "activate" clip ends at the 5sec mark in the 10sec audio---exactly halfway into the clip. Recall that  $T_y = 1375 T_y = 1375$ , so timestep 687 = 687 = int(1375 \* 0.5) corresponds to the moment at 5sec into the audio. So, you will set  $y^{\langle 688 \rangle} = 1y^{\langle 688 \rangle} = 1$ . Further, you would quite satisfied if the GRU detects "activate" anywhere within a short time-internal after this moment, so we actually set 50 consecutive values of the label  $y^{\langle t \rangle} y^{\langle t \rangle}$  to 1. Specifically, we have  $y^{\langle 688 \rangle} = y^{\langle 689 \rangle} = \cdots = y^{\langle 737 \rangle} = 1y^{\langle 688 \rangle} = y^{\langle 689 \rangle} = \cdots = y^{\langle 737 \rangle} = 1$ .

This is another reason for synthesizing the training data: It's relatively straightforward to generate these labels  $y^{\langle t \rangle}y^{\langle t \rangle}$  as described above. In contrast, if you have 10sec of audio recorded on a microphone, it's quite time consuming for a person to listen to it and mark manually exactly when "activate" finished.

Here's a figure illustrating the labels  $y^{\langle t \rangle} y^{\langle t \rangle}$ , for a clip which we have inserted "activate", "innocent", activate", "baby." Note that the positive labels "1" are associated only with the positive words.



To implement the training set synthesis process, you will use the following helper functions. All of these function will use a 1ms discretization interval, so the 10sec of audio is always discretized into 10,000 steps.

- 1. get random time segment(segment ms) gets a random time segment in our background audio
- 2. is\_overlapping(segment\_time, existing\_segments) checks if a time segment overlaps with existing segments
- 3. insert\_audio\_clip(background, audio\_clip, existing\_times) inserts an audio segment at a random time in our background audio using get random time segment and is overlapping
- 4. insert ones(y, segment end ms) inserts 1's into our label vector y after the word "activate"

The function get\_random\_time\_segment(segment\_ms) returns a random time segment onto which we can insert an audio clip of duration segment\_ms. Read through the code to make sure you understand what it is doing.

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In [44]:
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def get_random_time_segment(segment_ms):
    """
    Gets a random time segment of duration segment_ms in a 10,000 ms audio clip.

Arguments:
    segment_ms -- the duration of the audio clip in ms ("ms" stands for "millisecond Returns:
    segment_time -- a tuple of (segment_start, segment_end) in ms
    """
    segment_start = np.random.randint(low=0, high=10000-segment_ms)  # Make sure sometime segment_end = segment_start + segment_ms - 1
    return (segment_start, segment_end)
```

Next, suppose you have inserted audio clips at segments (1000,1800) and (3400,4500). I.e., the first segment starts at step 1000, and ends at step 1800. Now, if we are considering inserting a new audio clip at (3000,3600) does this overlap with one of the previously inserted segments? In this case, (3000,3600) and (3400,4500) overlap, so we should decide against inserting a clip here.

For the purpose of this function, define (100,200) and (200,250) to be overlapping, since they overlap at timestep 200. However, (100,199) and (200,250) are non-overlapping.

**Exercise**: Implement is\_overlapping(segment\_time, existing\_segments) to check if a new time segment overlaps with any of the previous segments. You will need to carry out 2 steps:

- 1. Create a "False" flag, that you will later set to "True" if you find that there is an overlap.
- 2. Loop over the previous\_segments' start and end times. Compare these times to the segment's start and end times. If there is an overlap, set the flag defined in (1) as True. You can use:

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for ....:
    if ... <= ... and ... >= ...:
        ...
```

Hint: There is overlap if the segment starts before the previous segment ends, and the segment ends after the previous segment starts.

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In [45]:
# GRADED FUNCTION: is overlapping
def is overlapping(segment time, previous segments):
    Checks if the time of a segment overlaps with the times of existing segments.
    Arguments:
    segment time -- a tuple of (segment start, segment end) for the new segment
    previous segments -- a list of tuples of (segment start, segment end) for the ex
    Returns:
    True if the time segment overlaps with any of the existing segments, False other
    segment start, segment end = segment time
    ### START CODE HERE ### (≈ 4 line)
    # Step 1: Initialize overlap as a "False" flag. (≈ 1 line)
    overlap = False
    # Step 2: loop over the previous segments start and end times.
    # Compare start/end times and set the flag to True if there is an overlap (\approx 3 \perp
    for previous start, previous end in previous segments:
        if segment start <= previous end and segment end >= previous start:
            overlap = True
    ### END CODE HERE ###
    return overlap
```

#### In [46]:

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overlap1 = is_overlapping((950, 1430), [(2000, 2550), (260, 949)])
overlap2 = is_overlapping((2305, 2950), [(824, 1532), (1900, 2305), (3424, 3656)])
print("Overlap 1 = ", overlap1)
print("Overlap 2 = ", overlap2)
```

Overlap 1 = False Overlap 2 = True

#### **Expected Output:**

Overlap 1 False

Overlap 2 True

Now, lets use the previous helper functions to insert a new audio clip onto the 10sec background at a random time, but making sure that any newly inserted segment doesn't overlap with the previous segments.

**Exercise**: Implement insert\_audio\_clip() to overlay an audio clip onto the background 10sec clip. You will need to carry out 4 steps:

- 1. Get a random time segment of the right duration in ms.
- 2. Make sure that the time segment does not overlap with any of the previous time segments. If it is overlapping, then go back to step 1 and pick a new time segment.
- 3. Add the new time segment to the list of existing time segments, so as to keep track of all the segments you've inserted.
- 4. Overlay the audio clip over the background using pydub. We have implemented this for you.

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In [47]:
# GRADED FUNCTION: insert audio clip
def insert audio clip(background, audio clip, previous segments):
    Insert a new audio segment over the background noise at a random time step, ensign
    audio segment does not overlap with existing segments.
    Arguments:
    background -- a 10 second background audio recording.
    audio clip -- the audio clip to be inserted/overlaid.
    previous segments -- times where audio segments have already been placed
    Returns:
    new background -- the updated background audio
    # Get the duration of the audio clip in ms
    segment ms = len(audio clip)
    ### START CODE HERE ###
    # Step 1: Use one of the helper functions to pick a random time segment onto wh.
    # the new audio clip. (≈ 1 line)
    segment time = get random time segment(segment ms)
    # Step 2: Check if the new segment time overlaps with one of the previous segment
    # picking new segment time at random until it doesn't overlap. (≈ 2 lines)
    while is overlapping(segment time, previous segments):
        segment time = get random time segment(segment ms)
    # Step 3: Add the new segment time to the list of previous segments (≈ 1 line)
    previous segments.append(segment time)
    ### END CODE HERE ###
```

new background = background.overlay(audio clip, position = segment time[0])

# Step 4: Superpose audio segment and background

return new background, segment time

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In [48]:

np.random.seed(5)
audio_clip, segment_time = insert_audio_clip(backgrounds[0], activates[0], [(3790, audio_clip.export("insert_test.wav", format="wav")
print("Segment Time: ", segment_time)
```

Segment Time: (2254, 3169)

IPython.display.Audio("insert test.wav")

Out[48]:



#### **Expected Output**

**Segment Time** (2254, 3169)

In [49]:

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# Expected audio
IPython.display.Audio("audio_examples/insert_reference.wav")
```

Out[49]:



Finally, implement code to update the labels  $y^{\langle t \rangle} y^{\langle t \rangle}$ , assuming you just inserted an "activate." In the code below, y is a (1,1375) dimensional vector, since  $T_y = 1375 T_y = 1375$ .

If the "activate" ended at time step tt, then set  $y^{\langle t+1 \rangle} = 1$  as well as for up to 49 additional consecutive values. However, make sure you don't run off the end of the array and try to update y[0][1375], since the valid indices are y[0][0] through y[0][1374] because  $T_y = 1375$   $T_y = 1375$ . So if "activate" ends at step 1370, you would get only y[0][1371] = y[0][1372] = y[0][1373] = y[0][1374] = 1

**Exercise**: Implement insert\_ones(). You can use a for loop. (If you are an expert in python's slice operations, feel free also to use slicing to vectorize this.) If a segment ends at segment\_end\_ms (using a 10000 step discretization), to convert it to the indexing for the outputs yy (using a 13751375 step discretization), we will use this formula:

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segment end y = int(segment end ms * Ty / 10000.0)
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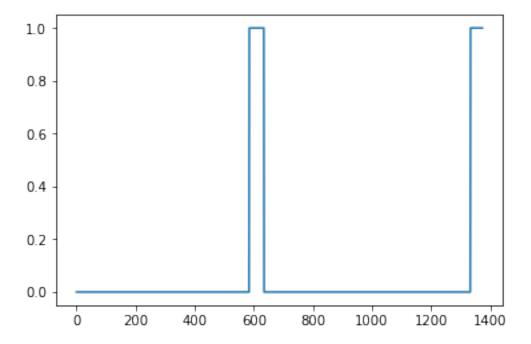
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In [50]:
# GRADED FUNCTION: insert_ones
def insert_ones(y, segment_end_ms):
    Update the label vector y. The labels of the 50 output steps strictly after the
    should be set to 1. By strictly we mean that the label of segment end y should !
    50 followinf labels should be ones.
    Arguments:
    y -- numpy array of shape (1, Ty), the labels of the training example
    segment end ms -- the end time of the segment in ms
    Returns:
    y -- updated labels
    # duration of the background (in terms of spectrogram time-steps)
    segment_end_y = int(segment_end_ms * Ty / 10000.0)
    # Add 1 to the correct index in the background label (y)
    ### START CODE HERE ### (≈ 3 lines)
    for i in range(segment end y+1, segment end y+51):
        if i < Ty:
            y[0, i] = 1.0
    ### END CODE HERE ###
```

return y

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In [51]:
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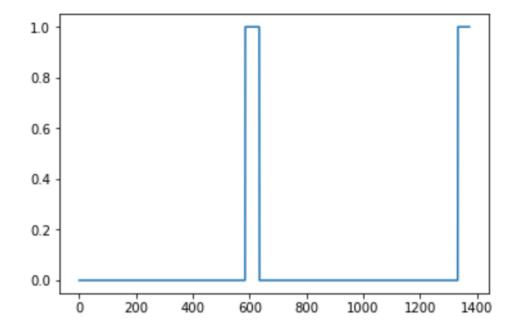
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arr1 = insert_ones(np.zeros((1, Ty)), 9700)
plt.plot(insert_ones(arr1, 4251)[0,:])
print("sanity checks:", arr1[0][1333], arr1[0][634], arr1[0][635])
```

```
sanity checks: 0.0 1.0 0.0
```



### **Expected Output**

sanity checks: 0.0 1.0 0.0



Finally, you can use insert audio clip and insert ones to create a new training example.

**Exercise**: Implement create training example(). You will need to carry out the following steps:

- 1. Initialize the label vector yy as a number array of zeros and shape  $(1, T_v)(1, T_v)$ .
- 2. Initialize the set of existing segments to an empty list.
- 3. Randomly select 0 to 4 "activate" audio clips, and insert them onto the 10sec clip. Also insert labels at the correct position in the label vector yy.
- 4. Randomly select 0 to 2 negative audio clips, and insert them into the 10sec clip.

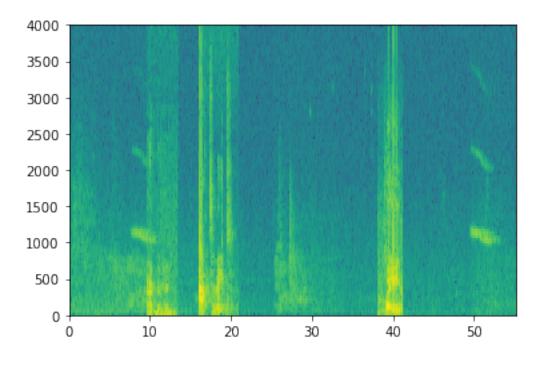
```
In [52]:
# GRADED FUNCTION: create training example
def create training example(background, activates, negatives):
    Creates a training example with a given background, activates, and negatives.
    Arguments:
    background -- a 10 second background audio recording
    activates -- a list of audio segments of the word "activate"
    negatives -- a list of audio segments of random words that are not "activate"
    Returns:
    x -- the spectrogram of the training example
    y -- the label at each time step of the spectrogram
    # Set the random seed
    np.random.seed(18)
    # Make background quieter
    background = background - 20
    ### START CODE HERE ###
    # Step 1: Initialize y (label vector) of zeros (≈ 1 line)
    y = np.zeros((1,Ty))
    # Step 2: Initialize segment times as empty list (≈ 1 line)
    previous segments = []
    ### END CODE HERE ###
    # Select 0-4 random "activate" audio clips from the entire list of "activates" i
    number_of_activates = np.random.randint(0, 5)
    random_indices = np.random.randint(len(activates), size=number_of_activates)
    random activates = [activates[i] for i in random indices]
    ### START CODE HERE ### (≈ 3 lines)
    # Step 3: Loop over randomly selected "activate" clips and insert in background
    for random activate in random activates:
        # Insert the audio clip on the background
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packground, segment_time = insert_audio_clip(background, random_activate, pi
    # Retrieve segment start and segment end from segment time
    segment start, segment end = segment time
    # Insert labels in "y"
   y = insert ones(y, segment end)
### END CODE HERE ###
# Select 0-2 random negatives audio recordings from the entire list of "negative
number of negatives = np.random.randint(0, 3)
random indices = np.random.randint(len(negatives), size=number of negatives)
random negatives = [negatives[i] for i in random indices]
### START CODE HERE ### (≈ 2 lines)
# Step 4: Loop over randomly selected negative clips and insert in background
for random negative in random negatives:
   # Insert the audio clip on the background
   background, _ = insert_audio_clip(background, random_negative, previous_segr
### END CODE HERE ###
# Standardize the volume of the audio clip
background = match target amplitude(background, -20.0)
# Export new training example
file handle = background.export("train" + ".wav", format="wav")
print("File (train.wav) was saved in your directory.")
# Get and plot spectrogram of the new recording (background with superposition (
x = graph spectrogram("train.wav")
return x, y
```

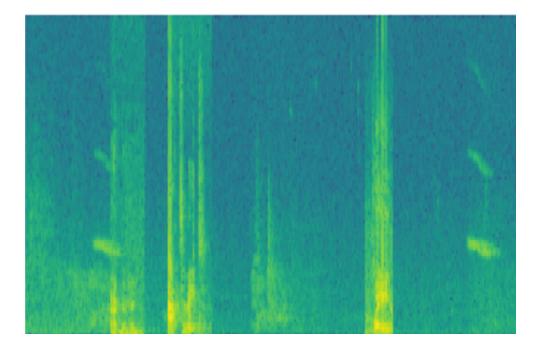
#### In [53]:

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x, y = create_training_example(backgrounds[0], activates, negatives)
```

File (train.wav) was saved in your directory.



#### **Expected Output**



Now you can listen to the training example you created and compare it to the spectrogram generated above.

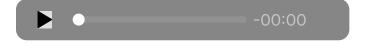
In [54]:
IPython.display.Audio("train.wav")
Out[54]:

# **Expected Output**

IPython.display.Audio("audio\_examples/train\_reference.wav")

Out[55]:

In [55]:



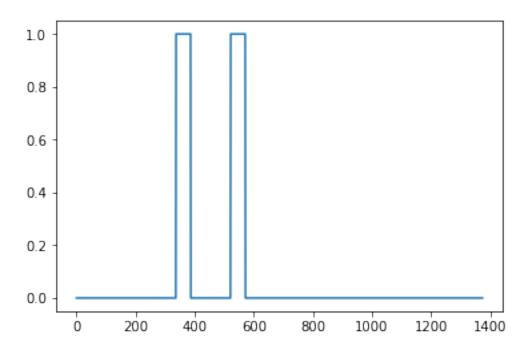
Finally, you can plot the associated labels for the generated training example.

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In [56]:
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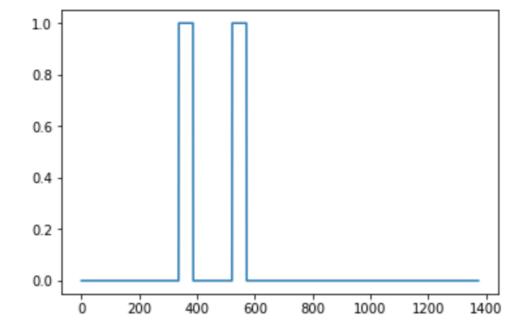
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plt.plot(y[0])
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#### Out[56]:

[<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x7fba7b9889b0>]



#### **Expected Output**



# 1.4 - Full training set

You've now implemented the code needed to generate a single training example. We used this process to generate a large training set. To save time, we've already generated a set of training examples.

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In [57]:

# Load preprocessed training examples
X = np.load("./XY_train/X.npy")
Y = np.load("./XY_train/Y.npy")
```

### 1.5 - Development set

To test our model, we recorded a development set of 25 examples. While our training data is synthesized, we want to create a development set using the same distribution as the real inputs. Thus, we recorded 25 10-second audio clips of people saying "activate" and other random words, and labeled them by hand. This follows the principle described in Course 3 that we should create the dev set to be as similar as possible to the test set distribution; that's why our dev set uses real rather than synthesized audio.

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In [58]:
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# Load preprocessed dev set examples
X_dev = np.load("./XY_dev/X_dev.npy")
Y_dev = np.load("./XY_dev/Y_dev.npy")
```

# 2 - Model

Now that you've built a dataset, lets write and train a trigger word detection model!

The model will use 1-D convolutional layers, GRU layers, and dense layers. Let's load the packages that will allow you to use these layers in Keras. This might take a minute to load.

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In [59]:
```

```
from keras.callbacks import ModelCheckpoint
from keras.models import Model, load_model, Sequential
from keras.layers import Dense, Activation, Dropout, Input, Masking, TimeDistributed
from keras.layers import GRU, Bidirectional, BatchNormalization, Reshape
from keras.optimizers import Adam
```

## 2.1 - Build the model

Here is the architecture we will use. Take some time to look over the model and see if it makes sense.

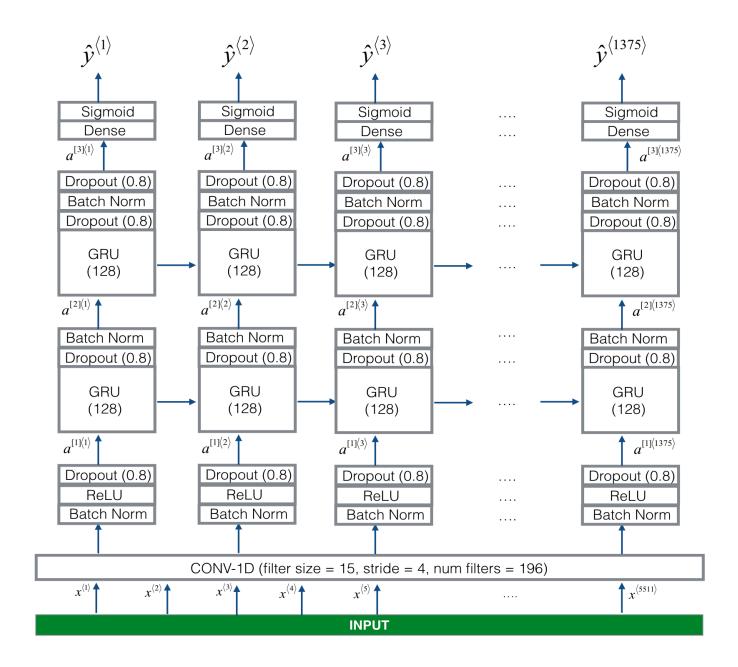


Figure 3

One key step of this model is the 1D convolutional step (near the bottom of Figure 3). It inputs the 5511 step spectrogram, and outputs a 1375 step output, which is then further processed by multiple layers to get the final  $T_y = 1375 T_y = 1375$  step output. This layer plays a role similar to the 2D convolutions you saw in Course 4, of extracting low-level features and then possibly generating an output of a smaller dimension.

Computationally, the 1-D conv layer also helps speed up the model because now the GRU has to process only 1375 timesteps rather than 5511 timesteps. The two GRU layers read the sequence of inputs from left to right, then ultimately uses a dense+sigmoid layer to make a prediction for  $y^{\langle t \rangle} y^{\langle t \rangle}$ . Because yy is binary valued (0 or 1), we use a sigmoid output at the last layer to estimate the chance of the output being 1, corresponding to the user having just said "activate."

Note that we use a uni-directional RNN rather than a bi-directional RNN. This is really important for trigger word detection, since we want to be able to detect the trigger word almost immediately after it is said. If we used a bi-directional RNN, we would have to wait for the whole 10sec of audio to be recorded before we could tell if

"activate" was said in the first second of the audio clip.

Implementing the model can be done in four steps:

**Step 1**: CONV layer. Use Conv1D() to implement this, with 196 filters, a filter size of 15 (kernel\_size=15), and stride of 4. [See documentation. (https://keras.io/layers/convolutional/#conv1d)]

**Step 2**: First GRU layer. To generate the GRU layer, use:

```
X = GRU(units = 128, return sequences = True)(X)
```

Setting return\_sequences=True ensures that all the GRU's hidden states are fed to the next layer. Remember to follow this with Dropout and BatchNorm layers.

**Step 3**: Second GRU layer. This is similar to the previous GRU layer (remember to use return sequences=True), but has an extra dropout layer.

**Step 4**: Create a time-distributed dense layer as follows:

```
X = TimeDistributed(Dense(1, activation = "sigmoid"))(X)
```

This creates a dense layer followed by a sigmoid, so that the parameters used for the dense layer are the same for every time step. [See documentation (https://keras.io/layers/wrappers/).]

**Exercise**: Implement model(), the architecture is presented in Figure 3.

```
In [62]:
# GRADED FUNCTION: model
def model(input shape):
    Function creating the model's graph in Keras.
    Argument:
    input shape -- shape of the model's input data (using Keras conventions)
    Returns:
    model -- Keras model instance
    X input = Input(shape = input shape)
    ### START CODE HERE ###
    # Step 1:
    X = Conv1D(196, 15, strides=4)(X_input) # CONV1D
                                                                   # Batch normalizat
    X = BatchNormalization()(X)
    X = Activation('relu')(X)
                                                                  # ReLu activation
    X = Dropout(0.8)(X)
                                                        # dropout (use 0.8)
    # Step 2: First GRU Layer (≈4 lines)
    X = GRU(units = 128, return sequences = True)(X)
                                                                                    #
                                                         # dropout (use 0.8)
    X = Dropout(0.8)(X)
                                                                  # Batch normalization
    X = BatchNormalization()(X)
    # Step 3: Second GRU Layer (≈4 lines)
    X = GRU(units = 128, return sequences = True)(X)
    X = Dropout(0.8)(X)
                                                         # dropout (use 0.8)
    X = BatchNormalization()(X)
                                                               # Batch normalization
    X = Dropout(0.8)(X)
                                                         # dropout (use 0.8)
    # Step 4: Time-distributed dense layer (≈1 line)
    X = TimeDistributed(Dense(1, activation = "sigmoid"))(X) # time distributed
                                                                                   (S.
    ### END CODE HERE ###
    model = Model(inputs = X_input, outputs = X)
    return model
In [63]:
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Let's print the model summary to keep track of the shapes.

model = model(input\_shape = (Tx, n\_freq))

In [64]:

model.summary()

Layer (type)	Output	Shape		Param #
input_2 (InputLayer)	(None,	5511,	101)	0
conv1d_2 (Conv1D)	(None,	1375,	196)	297136
batch_normalization_2 (Batch	(None,	1375,	196)	784
activation_2 (Activation)	(None,	1375,	196)	0
dropout_2 (Dropout)	(None,	1375,	196)	0
gru_2 (GRU)	(None,	1375,	128)	124800
dropout_3 (Dropout)	(None,	1375,	128)	0
batch_normalization_3 (Batch	(None,	1375,	128)	512
gru_3 (GRU)	(None,	1375,	128)	98688
dropout_4 (Dropout)	(None,	1375,	128)	0
batch_normalization_4 (Batch	(None,	1375,	128)	512
dropout_5 (Dropout)	(None,	1375,	128)	0
time_distributed_2 (TimeDist	(None,	1375,	1)	129 =======

Total params: 522,561

Trainable params: 521,657

Non-trainable params: 904

### **Expected Output:**

**Total params** 522,561

**Trainable params** 521,657

Non-trainable params 904

The output of the network is of shape (None, 1375, 1) while the input is (None, 5511, 101). The Conv1D has reduced the number of steps from 5511 at spectrogram to 1375.

### 2.2 - Fit the model

Trigger word detection takes a long time to train. To save time, we've already trained a model for about 3 hours on a GPU using the architecture you built above, and a large training set of about 4000 examples. Let's load the model.

```
In [65]:
model = load_model('./models/tr_model.h5')

You can train the model further, using the Adam optimizer and binary cross entropy loss, as follows. This will run quickly because we are training just for one epoch and with a small training set of 26 examples.

In [66]:

opt = Adam(lr=0.0001, beta_1=0.9, beta_2=0.999, decay=0.01)
model.compile(loss='binary_crossentropy', optimizer=opt, metrics=["accuracy"])

In [67]:
```

Out[67]:

<keras.callbacks.History at 0x7fba26b63550>

### 2.3 - Test the model

Finally, let's see how your model performs on the dev set.

```
In [68]:
loss, acc = model.evaluate(X_dev, Y_dev)
print("Dev set accuracy = ", acc)
```

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Dev set accuracy = 0.950720012188
```

This looks pretty good! However, accuracy isn't a great metric for this task, since the labels are heavily skewed to 0's, so a neural network that just outputs 0's would get slightly over 90% accuracy. We could define more useful metrics such as F1 score or Precision/Recall. But let's not bother with that here, and instead just empirically see how the model does.

# 3 - Making Predictions

Now that you have built a working model for trigger word detection, let's use it to make predictions. This code snippet runs audio (saved in a wav file) through the network.

```
In [69]:
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```
def detect_triggerword(filename):
    plt.subplot(2, 1, 1)

x = graph_spectrogram(filename)
# the spectogram outputs (freqs, Tx) and we want (Tx, freqs) to input into the r
x = x.swapaxes(0,1)
x = np.expand_dims(x, axis=0)
predictions = model.predict(x)

plt.subplot(2, 1, 2)
plt.plot(predictions[0,:,0])
plt.ylabel('probability')
plt.show()
return predictions
```

Once you've estimated the probability of having detected the word "activate" at each output step, you can trigger a "chiming" sound to play when the probability is above a certain threshold. Further,  $y^{\langle t \rangle}y^{\langle t \rangle}$  might be near 1 for many values in a row after "activate" is said, yet we want to chime only once. So we will insert a chime sound at most once every 75 output steps. This will help prevent us from inserting two chimes for a single instance of "activate". (This plays a role similar to non-max suppression from computer vision.)

```
In [70]:
chime file = "audio examples/chime.wav"
def chime on activate(filename, predictions, threshold):
    audio clip = AudioSegment.from wav(filename)
    chime = AudioSegment.from wav(chime file)
    Ty = predictions.shape[1]
    # Step 1: Initialize the number of consecutive output steps to 0
    consecutive timesteps = 0
    # Step 2: Loop over the output steps in the y
    for i in range(Ty):
        # Step 3: Increment consecutive output steps
        consecutive timesteps += 1
        # Step 4: If prediction is higher than the threshold and more than 75 consec
        if predictions [0,i,0] > threshold and consecutive timesteps > 75:
            # Step 5: Superpose audio and background using pydub
            audio clip = audio clip.overlay(chime, position = ((i / Ty) * audio clip
            # Step 6: Reset consecutive output steps to 0
            consecutive_timesteps = 0
    audio_clip.export("chime_output.wav", format='wav')
```

# 3.3 - Test on dev examples

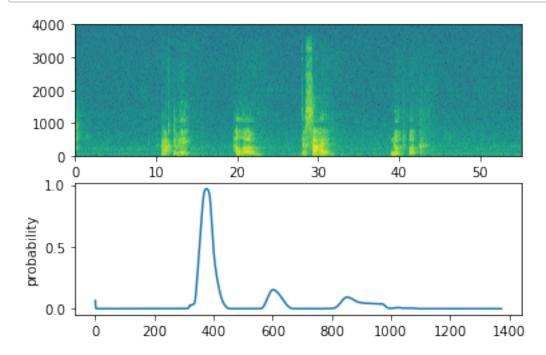
Let's explore how our model performs on two unseen audio clips from the development set. Lets first listen to the two dev set clips.

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In [71]:
IPython.display.Audio("./raw_data/dev/1.wav")
Out[71]:
In [72]:
IPython.display.Audio("./raw_data/dev/2.wav")
Out[72]:
```

Now lets run the model on these audio clips and see if it adds a chime after "activate"!

#### In [73]:

```
filename = "./raw_data/dev/1.wav"
prediction = detect_triggerword(filename)
chime_on_activate(filename, prediction, 0.5)
IPython.display.Audio("./chime_output.wav")
```

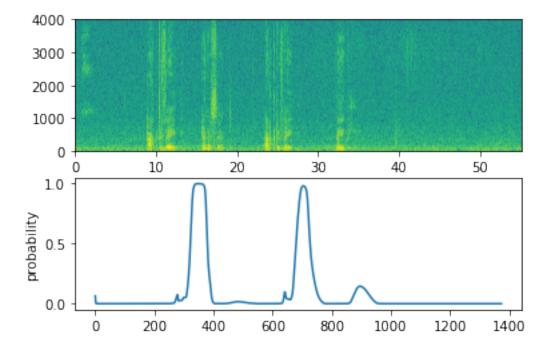


### Out[73]:



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In [74]:
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```
filename = "./raw_data/dev/2.wav"
prediction = detect_triggerword(filename)
chime_on_activate(filename, prediction, 0.5)
IPython.display.Audio("./chime_output.wav")
```



Out[74]:



# Congratulations

You've come to the end of this assignment!

Here's what you should remember:

- Data synthesis is an effective way to create a large training set for speech problems, specifically trigger word detection.
- Using a spectrogram and optionally a 1D conv layer is a common pre-processing step prior to passing audio data to an RNN, GRU or LSTM.
- An end-to-end deep learning approach can be used to built a very effective trigger word detection system.

Congratulations on finishing the fimal assignment!

Thank you for sticking with us through the end and for all the hard work you've put into learning deep learning. We hope you have enjoyed the course!

# 4 - Try your own example! (OPTIONAL/UNGRADED)

In this optional and ungraded portion of this notebook, you can try your model on your own audio clips!

Record a 10 second audio clip of you saying the word "activate" and other random words, and upload it to the Coursera hub as myaudio.wav. Be sure to upload the audio as a wav file. If your audio is recorded in a different format (such as mp3) there is free software that you can find online for converting it to way. If your audio recording is not 10 seconds, the code below will either trim or pad it as needed to make it 10 seconds.

```
In [75]:
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```
# Preprocess the audio to the correct format
def preprocess audio(filename):
    # Trim or pad audio segment to 10000ms
    padding = AudioSegment.silent(duration=10000)
    segment = AudioSegment.from wav(filename)[:10000]
    segment = padding.overlay(segment)
    # Set frame rate to 44100
    segment = segment.set_frame_rate(44100)
    # Export as wav
    segment.export(filename, format='wav')
```

Once you've uploaded your audio file to Coursera, put the path to your file in the variable below.

```
In [76]:
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```
your filename = "audio examples/my audio.wav"
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In [77]:
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```
preprocess audio(your filename)
IPython.display.Audio(your filename) # listen to the audio you uploaded
```

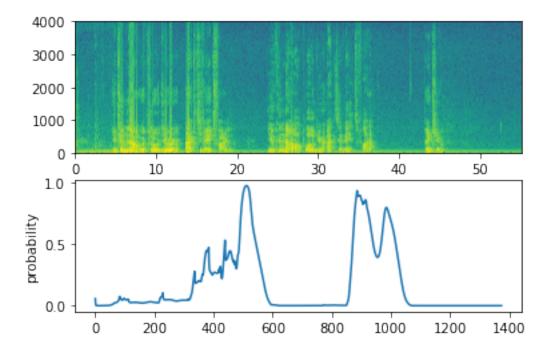
#### Out[77]:



Finally, use the model to predict when you say activate in the 10 second audio clip, and trigger a chime. If beeps are not being added appropriately, try to adjust the chime\_threshold.

```
In [78]:
```

```
chime_threshold = 0.5
prediction = detect_triggerword(your_filename)
chime_on_activate(your_filename, prediction, chime_threshold)
IPython.display.Audio("./chime_output.wav")
```



### Out[78]:



#### In [ ]: