

MINGUS: MELODIC IMPROVISATION NEURAL GENERATOR USING SEQ2SEQ

–SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL–

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1. SUMMARY

This supplementary material contains:

- This document reporting supplementary metrics result
- Working code used for the paper, WjazzDB converted to xml and a trained MINGUS model
- The sound samples used for blind listener evaluation

2. TRAINING PARAMETERS

Table 1 contains the parameters used for training MINGUS.

| Parameter | Value |
|------------------------|-------|
| Sequence Length | 35 |
| Training batch size | 20 |
| Validation batch size | 10 |
| Testing batch size | 10 |
| Epochs | 100 |
| Hidden size | 200 |
| Encoder layers | 4 |
| Attention heads | 4 |
| Dropout | 0.2 |
| Pitch learning rate | 0.5 |
| Duration learning rate | 0.05 |

Table 1: MINGUS parameters for pitch and duration network

3. EVALUATION RESULTS ON NOTTINGHAMDB

In this section we report the evaluation metrics obtained on NottinghamDB. The generation process has been the same used for generation with WjazzDB. Unfortunately, due to

code incompatibilities, it was not possible to generate with BebopNet on NottinghamDB.

Table 2 shows the harmonic coherence obtained on NottinghamDB generations.

| Harmonic coherence [%] | Chord | Scale |
|------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Original | 75.63 | 95.34 |
| MINGUS | 70.32 | 97.53 |
| BebopNet | - | - |
| SeqAttn | 74.06 | 95.95 |

Table 2: Harmonic coherence on NottinghamDB

Table 6 shows the MGEval results obtained on NottinghamDB generations.

4. ABLATION STUDY

In this section we report the results of our ablation study. Out of all possible combinations of features that have been experimented, we reported here only the 9 highest scoring ones and the score obtained with no conditioning.

Table 3 summarises the features and their abbreviations used in the following tables.

| Conditioning | Abbreviation |
|-------------------|--------------|
| Pitch | P |
| Duration | D |
| Current chord | C |
| Next chord | NC |
| Current bass note | B |
| Current beat | BE |
| Offset in the bar | O |

Table 3: Conditionings abbreviations

Table 4 reports the perplexity and accuracy obtained on different pitch models trained on WjazzDB, sorted by increasing accuracy.

Table 5 reports the perplexity and accuracy obtained on different duration models trained on WjazzDB, sorted by increasing accuracy.



| Conditioning [pitch] | Perplexity | Accuracy [%] |
|----------------------|--------------|--------------|
| No cond (P) | 12.30 | 13.57 |
| D-C-NC-B-BE-O | 12.25 | 14.53 |
| D-C-NC | 12.19 | 14.54 |
| D-B | 11.90 | 14.60 |
| D-C-NC-B-BE | 12.02 | 14.61 |
| D-BE | 11.82 | 14.63 |
| D-C-B | 11.71 | 14.67 |
| D-C-NC-BE-O | 11.93 | 14.69 |
| D-C-B-O | 12.14 | 14.74 |
| D-C-B-BE-O | 11.96 | 14.99 |

Table 4: Metrics of MINGUS pitch models trained with different feature combinations on WjazzDB over 15 epochs. Only the baseline and the 9 best conditioning combinations are reported.

| Conditioning [duration] | Perplexity | Accuracy [%] |
|-------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| No cond (D) | 4.61 | 32.24 |
| P-NC-B-BE-O | 4.37 | 32.36 |
| P-BE-O | 4.37 | 32.36 |
| C-BE-O | 4.53 | 32.36 |
| C-NC-B-BE-O | 4.62 | 32.36 |
| C-B-BE-O | 4.39 | 32.39 |
| BE-O | 4.38 | 32.45 |
| NC-BE-O | 4.36 | 32.47 |
| NC-B-BE-O | 4.39 | 32.48 |
| B-BE-O | 4.38 | 32.61 |

Table 5: Metrics of MINGUS duration models trained with different feature combinations on WjazzDB over 15 epochs. Only the baseline and the 9 best conditioning combinations are reported.

| MGEval | MINGUS | | BebopNet | | SeqAttn | |
|-------------------------------|--------------|--------------|----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Measure | KL div | overlap area | KL div | overlap area | KL div | overlap area |
| total used pitch | 0.014 | 0.805 | - | - | 0.084 | 0.860 |
| total used note | 0.054 | 0.666 | - | - | 0.082 | 0.822 |
| avg IOI | 0.036 | 0.860 | - | - | 0.019 | 0.636 |
| avg pitch shift | 0.0366 | 0.572 | - | - | 0.031 | 0.775 |
| note length histogram | 0.006 | 0.835 | - | - | 0.008 | 0.871 |
| total pitch class histogram | 0.080 | 0.863 | - | - | 0.031 | 0.869 |
| note length transition matrix | 0.077 | 0.745 | - | - | 0.003 | 0.900 |
| pitch class transition matrix | 0.101 | 0.853 | - | - | 0.009 | 0.828 |
| pitch range | 0.017 | 0.769 | - | - | 0.010 | 0.793 |

Table 6: MGEval comparison between MINGUS and SeqAttn on NottinghamDB