STYLE-BASED DRUM SYNTHESIS WITH GAN INVERSION

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INTRODUCTION

- Generation and transformation of drum sounds using style-based generative adversarial network
- Functional control over synthesis, based on principal component analysis applied to intermediate latent space
- Enables conditional generation of kick drum, snare drum and cymbals
- Operates directly on waveforms
- Synthesis can be controlled by input audio through use of an audio inversion network

GAN ARCHITECTURE

Architecture is based on [1], and is extended with conditional style-based generator network [2].

Mapping network (M):

- Conditional multi-layer perceptron
- Transforms latent space Z into an intermediate latent space W

SYSTEM OVERVIEW





DATASET

- One-shot drum sounds
- Kick, snare and cymbal labels
- 16-bit, 44.1kHz WAV
- 16384 sample length

Learns to create disentangled features that are used to control G

Generator network (G):

- Generates waveforms
- Series of upsampling and convolutional layers
- Intermediate latent vectors w integrated at each upsampling block through adaptive instance normalisation (AdalN)
- Inconsequential noise injected into each block to model stochastic variation

Discriminator Network (D):

Estimates Wasserstein distance between generated and real drum sounds

Encoder Network (E):

- Replicates D
- Output units match dimensionality of latent space

AUDIO INVERSION

- Wasserstein loss
- Gradient penalty

Pitch augmentation $(\pm 3 \text{ semitones})$ applied to increase size of dataset

Encoder:

- E trained to embed a given waveform into intermediate latent space of a pre-trained GAN
- Predicted latent vectors fed into the G to synthesise drum sounds with similar characteristics to input waveform

Training:

- Dataset created by generating 10000 drums with pre-trained G
- Minimise mean square error between ground truth latent vectors and predicted latent vectors



Output Predicted latent code Input

PCA FOR USER CONTROL

- Following [3], principal axes of W are identified with PCA to obtain coordinates that emphasise variation
- G feature controls are achieved by layer-wise perturbation along principal directions
- Coordinations are scaled with control parameter that can be modified by user

WAVEFORM INTERPOLATION



Interpolation in latent space for drum generation. Drums

are generated for each point along linear paths through

latent space (left). Gennerations appear across rows

(right).

SYNTHESIS PARAMETERS

- Style-based drum synthesis with GAN inversion allows user to interact with system parameters in 3 ways:
- Sampling from intermediate latent space and exploring timbral characteristics with preset number of controls
- User can input single drum sample to encoder network and modify its characteristics with style faders
- Encoder can be used to reconstruct 2 arbitrary drum sounds, and various interpolation techniques may be incorporated for style transformation

High-frequency content of generated drum sounds can be

shaped by introducing Gaussian noise into individual layers of

pre-trained G.



DEMO

• Open-source code

- Audio examples
- Python demo



https://jake-drysdale.github.io/blog/stylegan-drumsynth/

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