# COMBINING MULTI-SCALE FEATURES USING SAMPLE-LEVEL DEEP CONVOLUTIONAL NEURAL NETWORKS FOR WEAKLY SUPERVISED SOUND EVENT DETECTION

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#### **Overview**

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Our method submitted to large-scale weakly supervised sound event detection for smart cars in the DCASE Challenge 2017 Task 4. It is based on two deep neural network methods suggested for music auto-tagging. One is training sample-level Deep Convolutional Neural Networks (DCNN) using raw waveforms as a feature extractor. The other is aggregating features on multi-scaled models of the DCNNs and making final predictions from them. With this approach, we achieved the best results, 47.3% in F-score on subtask A (audio tagging) and 0.75 in error rate on subtask B (sound event detection) in the evaluation. These results show that the waveform-based models can be comparable to spectrogram-based models when compared to other DCASE Task 4 submissions.

#### Sample-level Deep Convolutional Neural Networks



## **Combination of Multi-Scale Features**

Event sounds have different timbre patterns in terms of feature hierarchy and time-scales. The sample-level DCNNs take different input sizes to capture both local and global characteristics of the sounds.



# **Submissions**

- SDCNN: Sample-level DCNN that takes 893ms of audio as input. This is one of the models used as a feature extractor for the rest submissions.
- MLMS5: Multi-level and Multi-scale features extracted from models taking 372ms, 557ms, 627ms, 743ms and 893ms as input.
- MLMS3: Multi-level and Multi-scale features extracted from models taking 1486ms, 2678ms and 3543ms as input.
- MLMS8: Multi-level and Multi-scale features extracted from models taking 372ms, 557ms, 627ms, 743ms, 893ms, 1486ms, 2678ms and 3543ms as input.

### **Feature Aggregation and Final Classification**

 Subtask B The features of all segments are Segment-level features are averaged into a single feature averaged every second.



Lastly, the final prediction is performed using a fully-connected neural network for each subtask.

### **Filter Visualization**

Subtask A

vector for each model.



Spectrum of the filters in the sample-level convolution layers which are sorted by the frequency at the peak magnitude. The x-axis represents the index of the filters and the y-axis represents the frequency. We can observe that they are sensitive to more log-scaled in frequency as the layer goes up.

## Results

Instance-based results for subtask A

|       | Development set |       |       | Evaluation set |       |       |
|-------|-----------------|-------|-------|----------------|-------|-------|
|       | F-score         | Prec. | Rec.  | F-score        | Prec. | Rec.  |
| SDCNN | 37.8%           | 26.7% | 64.8% | 40.3%          | 31.3% | 56.7% |
| MLMS5 | 44.3%           | 38.8% | 51.7% | 47.3%          | 48.0% | 46.6% |
| MLMS3 | 42.2%           | 39.0% | 45.9% | 47.2%          | 49.6% | 45.0% |
| MLMS8 | 43.8%           | 39.2% | 49.5% | 47.1%          | 48.5% | 45.9% |

Instance-based results for subtask B

|       | Develo | opment set | Evaluation set |         |  |
|-------|--------|------------|----------------|---------|--|
|       | ER     | F-score    | ER             | F-score |  |
| SDCNN | 0.88   | 28.1%      | 0.82           | 39.4%   |  |
| MLMS5 | 0.86   | 30.7%      | 0.78           | 42.6%   |  |
| MLMS3 | 0.86   | 31.2%      | 0.78           | 44.2%   |  |
| MLMS8 | 0.84   | 34.2%      | 0.75           | 47.1%   |  |

## Discussion

- The feature aggregation and final classification stage improve performance compared to the direct result of SDCNN.
- Class-wise performance indicates that audio clips with different tags are optimal in different time scales.

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