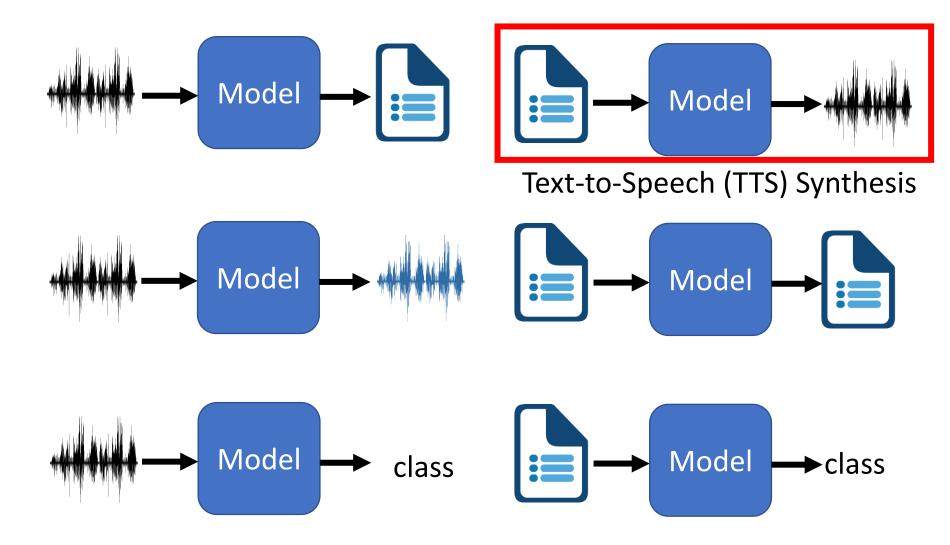
Speech Synthesis



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One slide for this course



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VODER (1939)

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Voder



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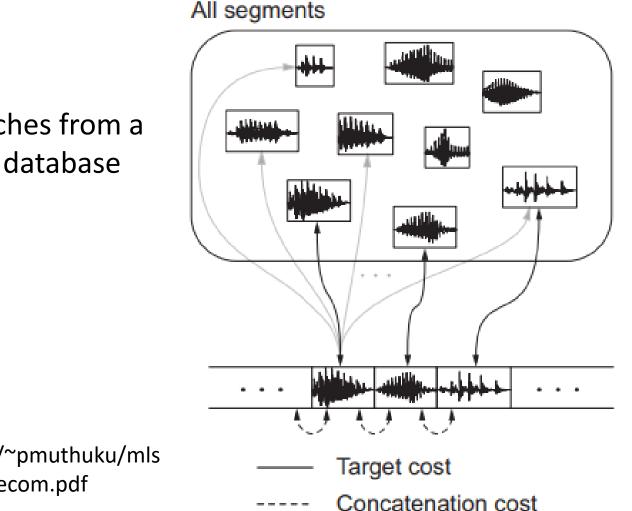
IBM computer (1960s)

• In 1961, John Larry Kelly Jr. using an IBM computer to synthesize speech at Bell lab.



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Concatenative Approach

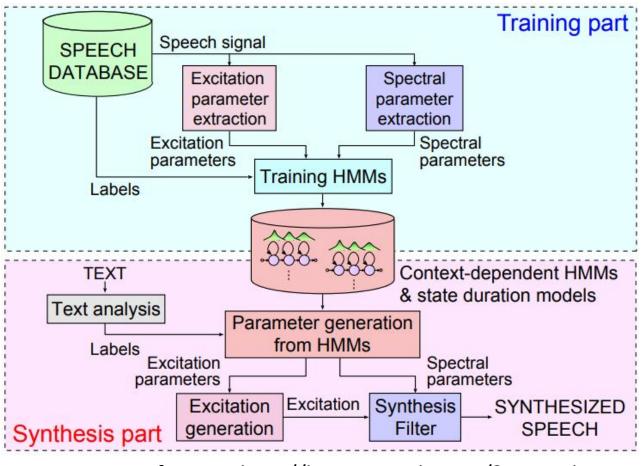


speeches from a large database

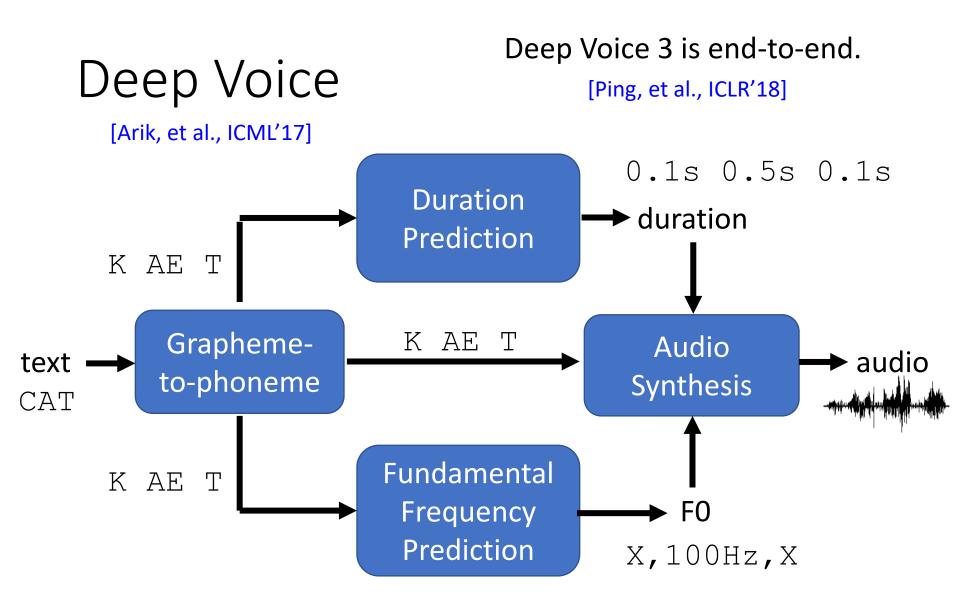
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Parametric Approach

HMM/DNN-based Speech Synthesis System (HTS)



Source of image: http://hts.sp.nitech.ac.jp/?Tutorial



All the components are deep learning based.

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[Wang, et al., INTERSPEECH'17]
[Shen, et al., ICASSP'18]TACOTRON:TOWARDSEND-TO-ENDSPEECHSYN-
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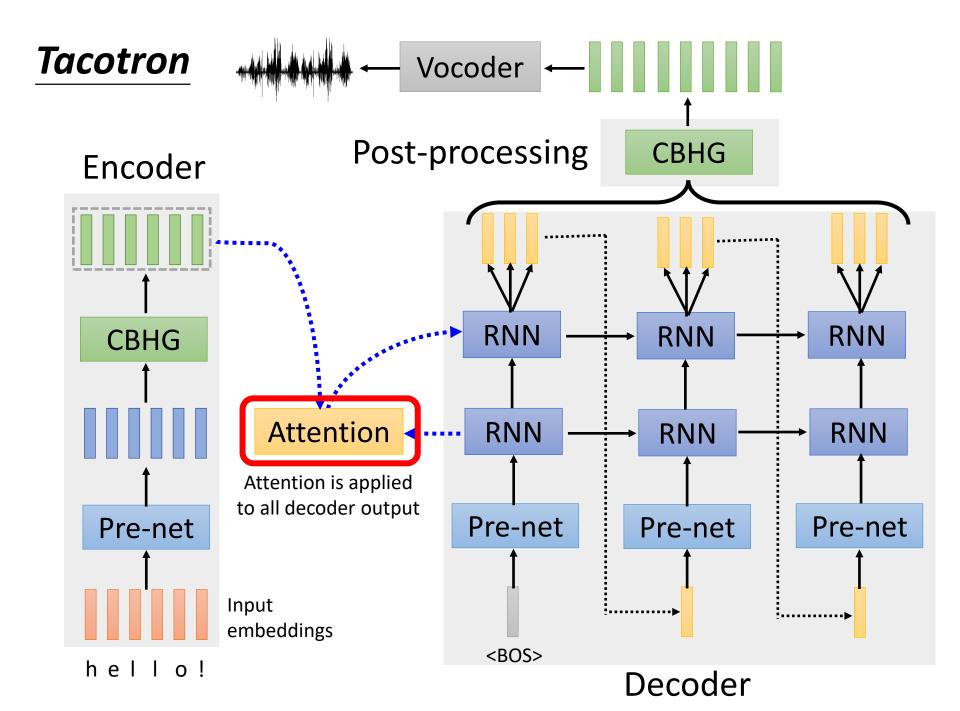
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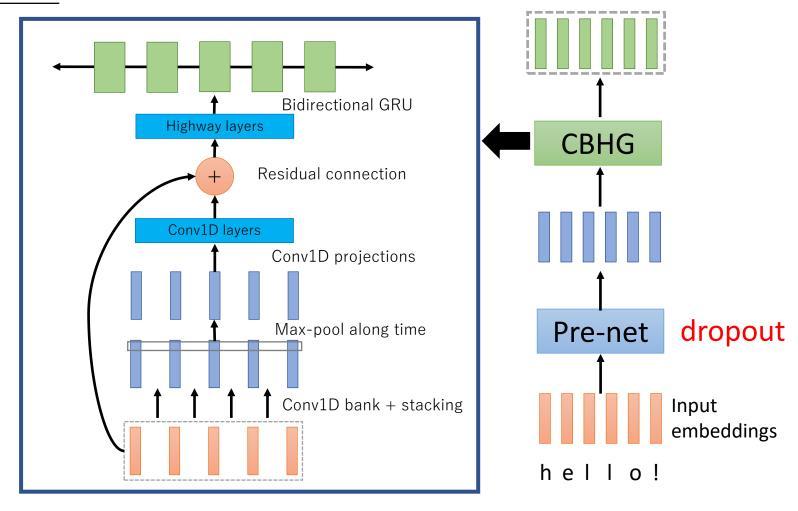


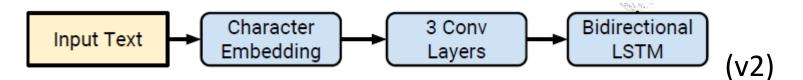
Before Tacotron ...

- Tacotron:
 - Input: character
 - Output: (linear) spectrogram
- First Step Towards End-to-end Parametric TTS [Wang, et al., INTERSPEECH'16]
 - Input: phoneme
 - Output: acoustic features for STRAIGHT (vocoder)
- Char2wav [Sotelo, et al., ICLR workshop'17]
 - Input: character
 - Output: acoustic features for SampleRNN (vocoder)



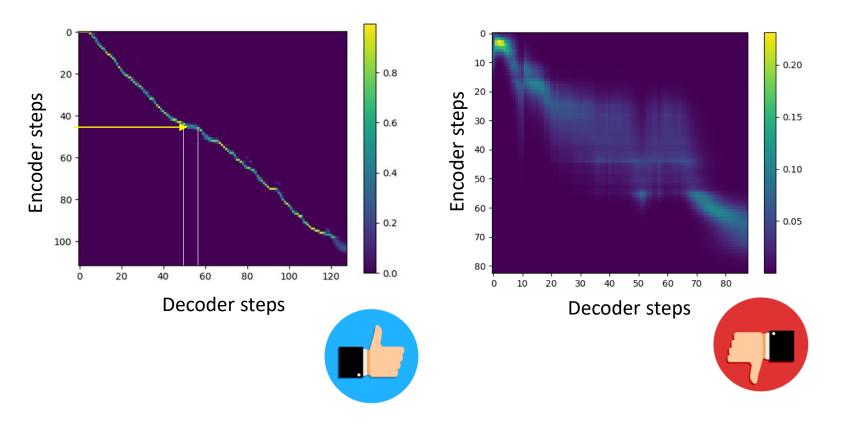
Encoder = Grapheme-to-phoneme?

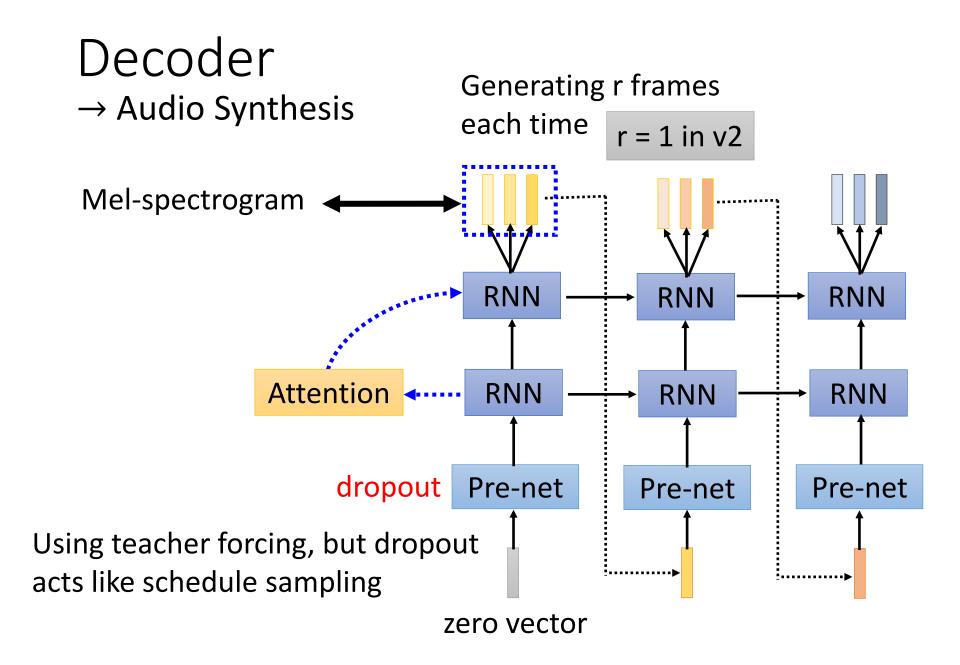


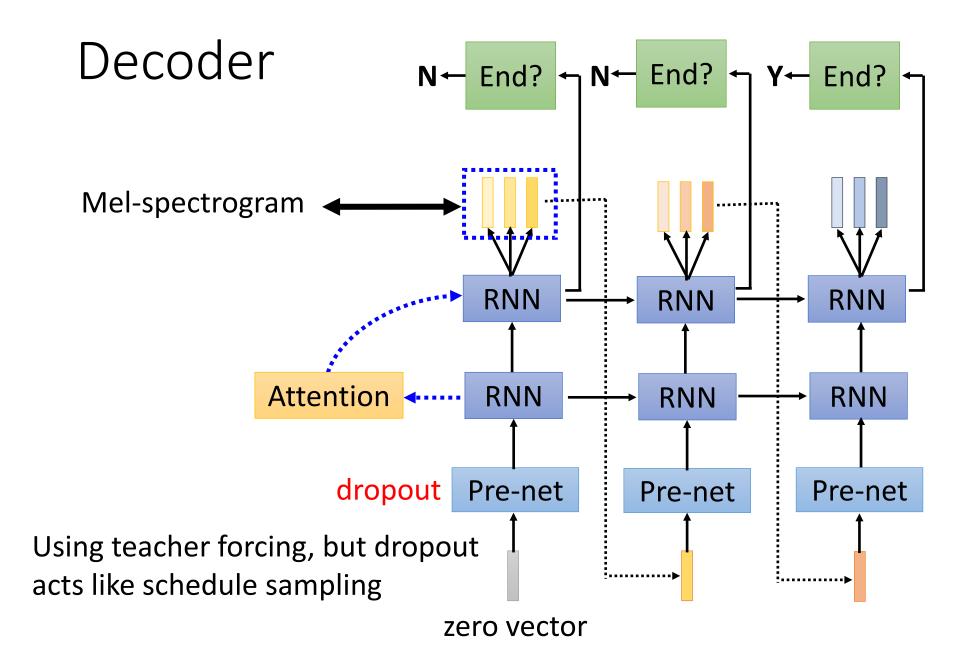


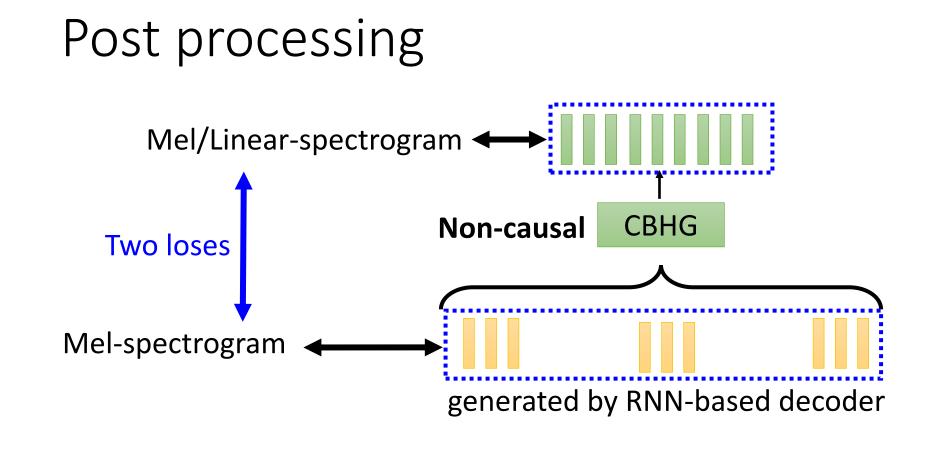
Attention = Modeling Duration ?

• The output audio and input text much be monotonic aligned.









Vocoder:

Griffin-Lim in v1

Wavnet in v2

How good is Tacotron?

Version 1
[Wang, et al.,
INTERSPEECH'17]

	mean opinion score
Tacotron	3.82 ± 0.085
Parametric	3.69 ± 0.109
Concatenative	4.09 ± 0.119

	Version 2	2
[Shen, et al	., ICASSP'18]

System	MOS
Parametric	3.492 ± 0.096
Tacotron (Griffin-Lim)	4.001 ± 0.087
Concatenative	4.166 ± 0.091
WaveNet (Linguistic)	4.341 ± 0.051
Ground truth	4.582 ± 0.053
Tacotron 2 (this paper)	4.526 ± 0.066

How good is Tacotron?

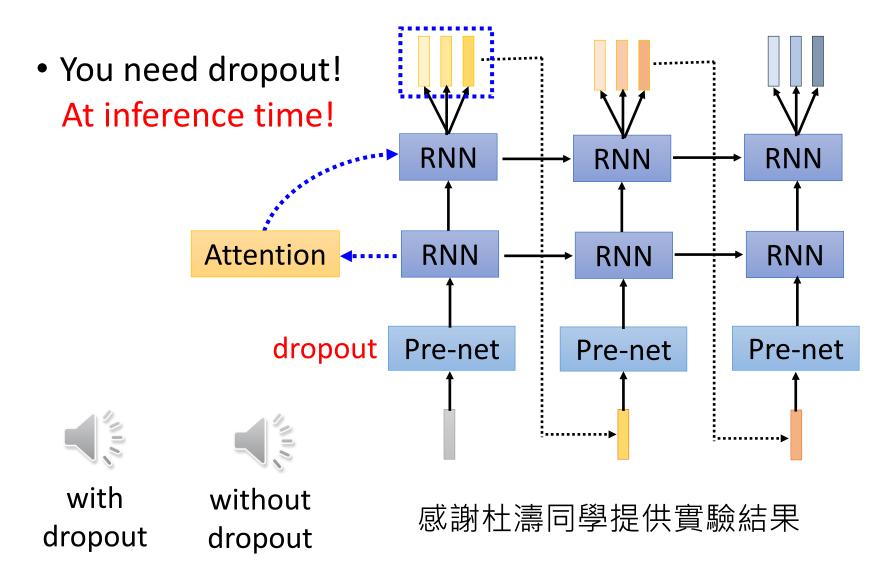
System	MOS
Tacotron 2 (Linear + G-L)	3.944 ± 0.091
Tacotron 2 (Linear + WaveNet)	4.510 ± 0.054
Tacotron 2 (Mel + WaveNet)	4.526 ± 0.066

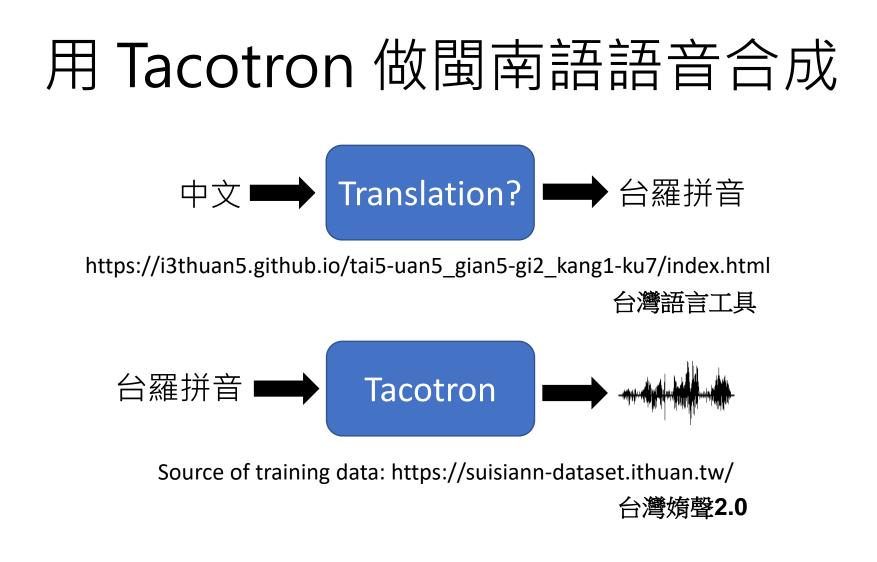
WaveNet is much better than Griffin-Lim

	Synthesis				
Training	Predicted	Ground truth			
Predicted Ground truth	4.526 ± 0.066 4.362 ± 0.066	4.449 ± 0.060 4.522 ± 0.055			

WaveNet needs to be trained

Tip at Inference Phase







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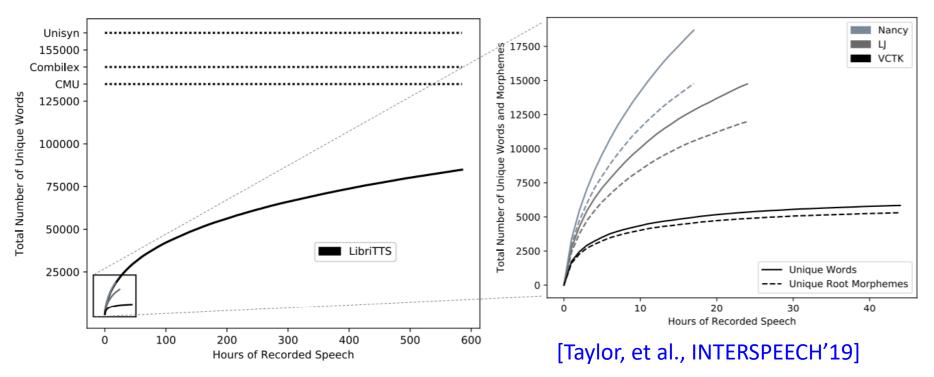
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Mispronunciation

- The raters considered ground truth is better than Tacotron 2 because ...
- "... occasional mispronunciation by our system is the primary reason ..."



(LibriTTS dataset 585 hours)

Source of image: https://www.isca-speech.org/archive/Interspeech_2019/pdfs/2830.pdf

Mispronunciation

- Using a lexicon to transform word to phoneme, and using phoneme as Tacotron input
 - But lots of OOV words ...

• Character and phoneme hybrid input [Ping, et al., ICLR'18]

If the pronunciation of machine is incorrect, one can add the word into the lexicon to fix the problem.

More information for Encoder

• Syntactic information [Guo, et al., INTERSPEECH'19]

S Both of these two boys like eating apples.								
NP Both of these two boys				like	eating ap	VP ples		
NP Both		PP of these two boys			VBP like	eating	VP apples	
DT Both	IN of	NP these two boys				VBG eating	NP apples	
		DT these	CD two	NNS boys			NNS apples	

Figure 1: An example of syntactically parsed tree

小龍女對楊過說: 「我也想過過過過兒過過的生活」

Source of example: https://youtu.be/kptTHjBi_ak

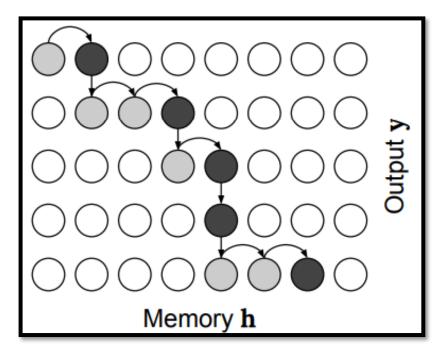
• BERT embedding as input

[Hayashi, et al., INTERSPEECH'19]

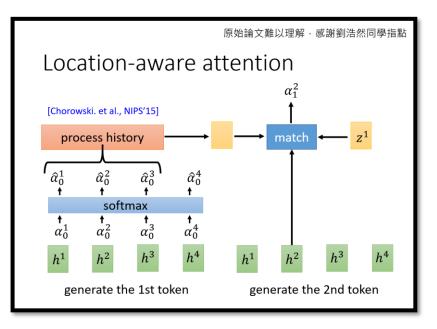
Attention

Monotonic Attention

[Raffel, et al., ICML'17]



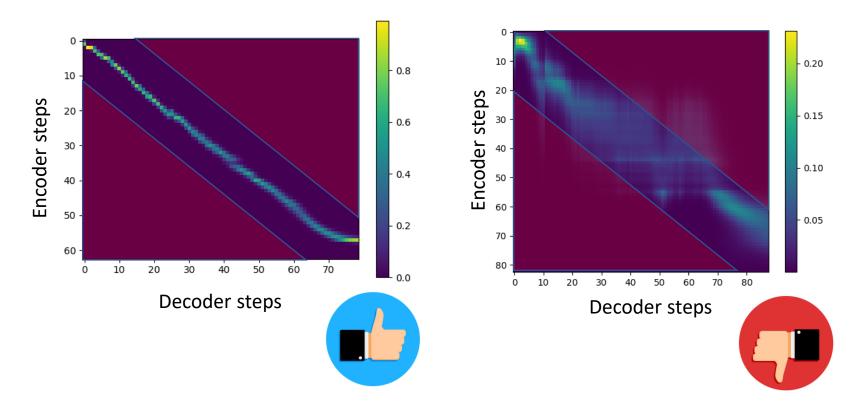
 Location-aware attention (Have been mentioned when we talked about ASR)

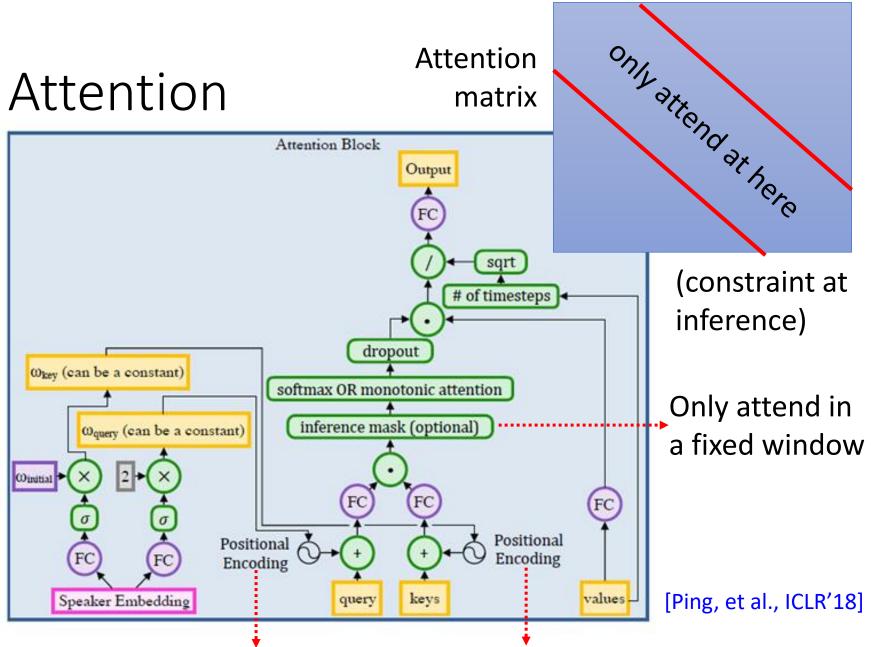


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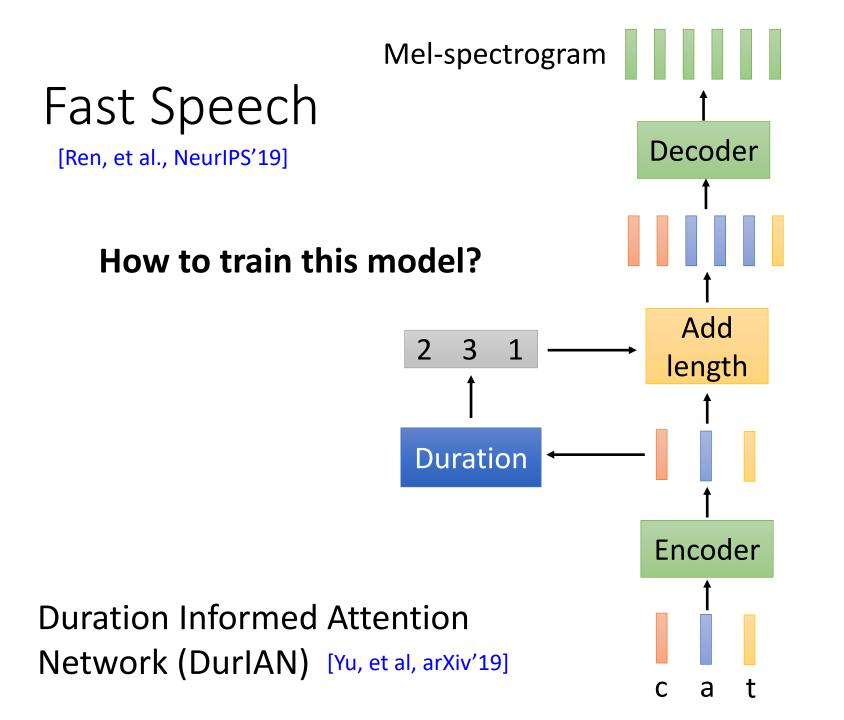
• Guided Attention [Tachibana, et al., ICASSP'18]

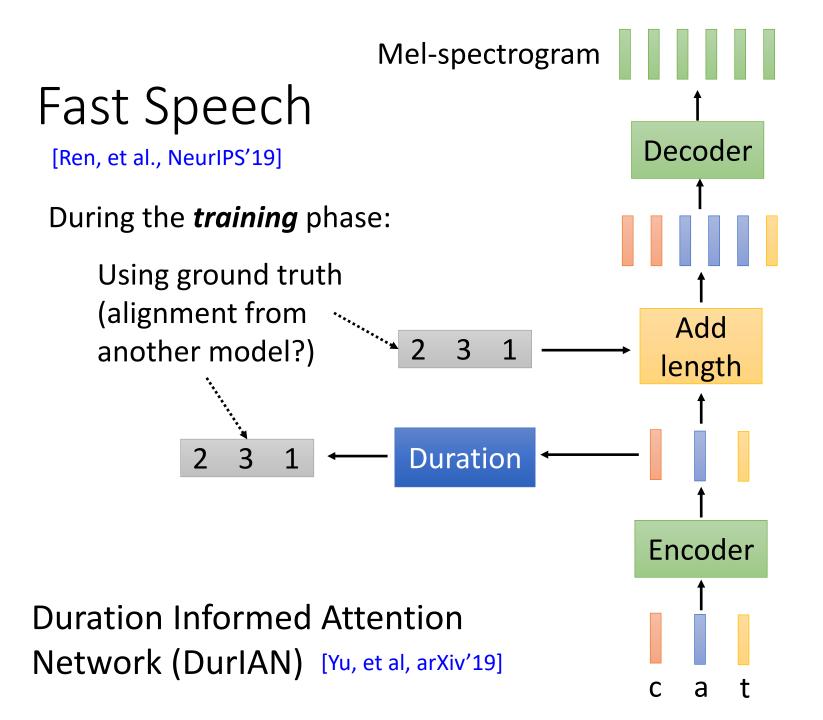
Penalizing the non-diagonal attention matrix during training





constraint attention by positional encoding





Fast Speech

Source of results: https://arxiv.org/pdf/1905.09263.pdf

In 50 sentences:

Method	Repeats	Skips	Error Sentences	Error Rate
Tacotron 2 Transformer TTS	4 7	11 15	12 17	24% 34%
FastSpeech	0	0	0	0%

c five eight zero three three nine a zero bf eight FALSE zero zero zero bba3add2 - c229 - 4cdb - Calendaring agent failed with error code 0x80070005 while saving appointment .

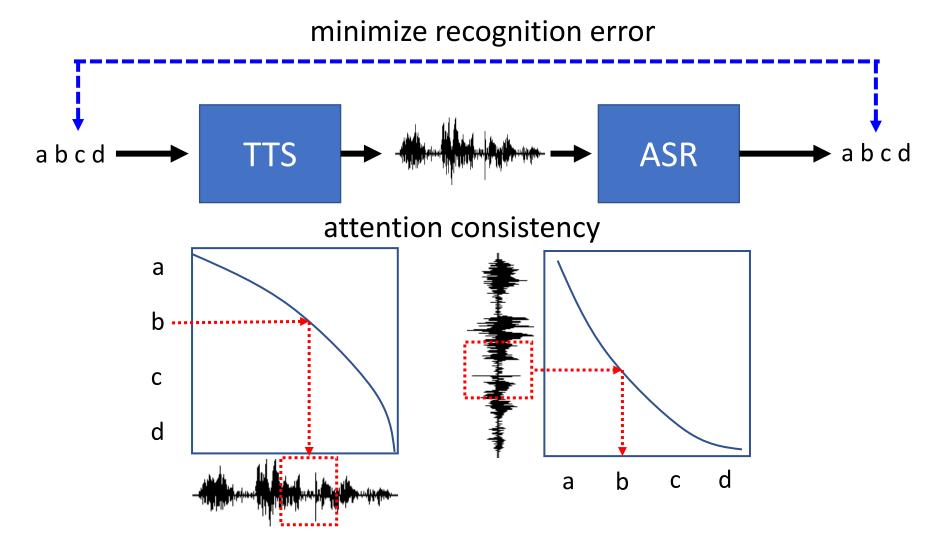
Exit process - break ld - Load module - output ud - Unload module - ignore ser - System error - ignore ibp - Initial breakpoint -

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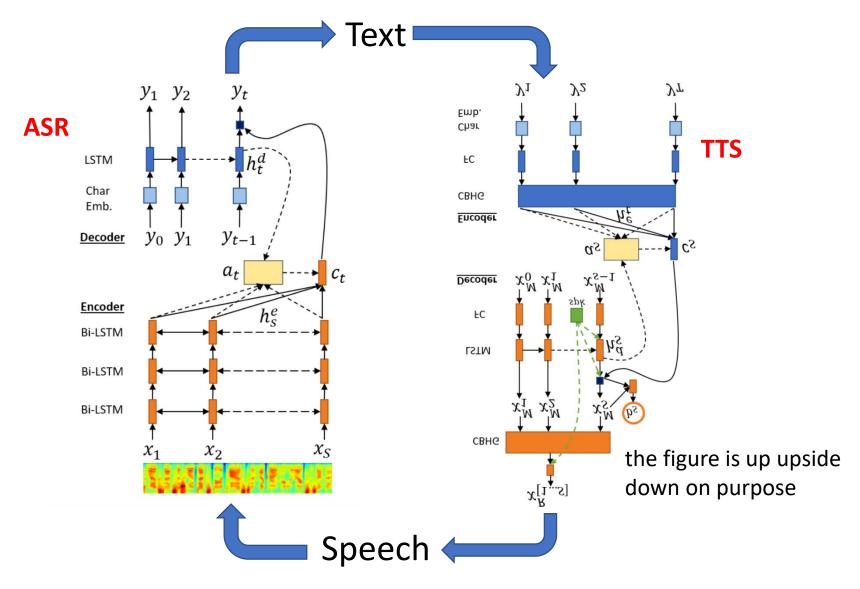
[Tjandra, et al., ASRU'17]

Using ASR to improve TTS



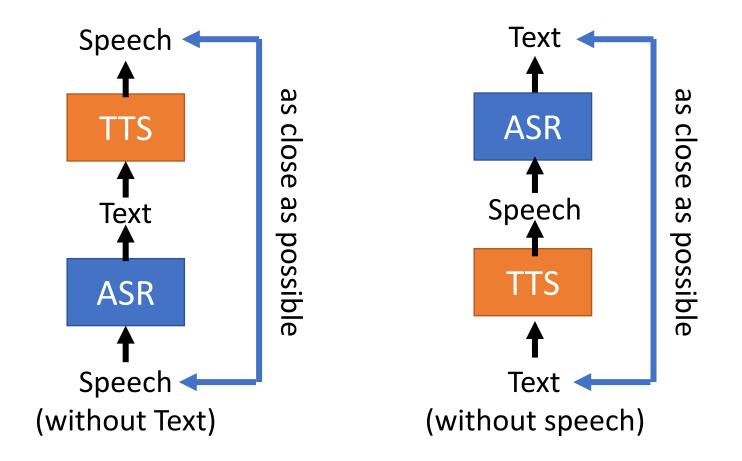
Dual Learning: ASR & TTS

ASR & TTS form a cycle. Speech Chain [Tjandra et al., ASRU 2017]



Dual Learning: TTS v.s. ASR

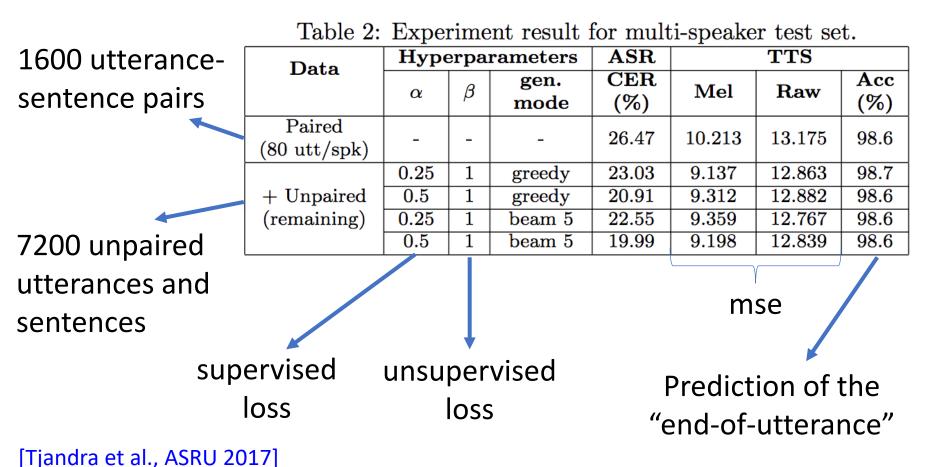
Given pretrained TTS and ASR system



Dual Learning: TTS v.s. ASR

• Experiments

Mel: mel-spectrogram Raw: raw waveform



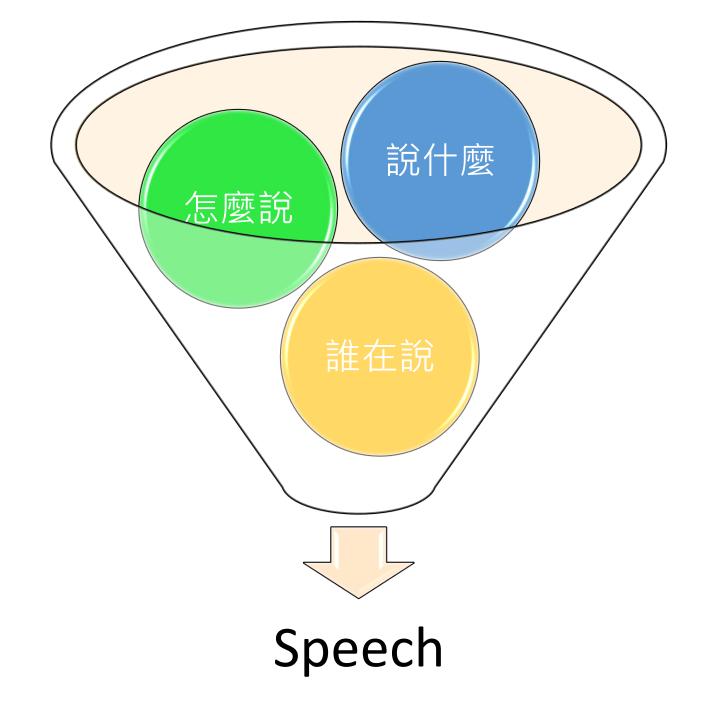
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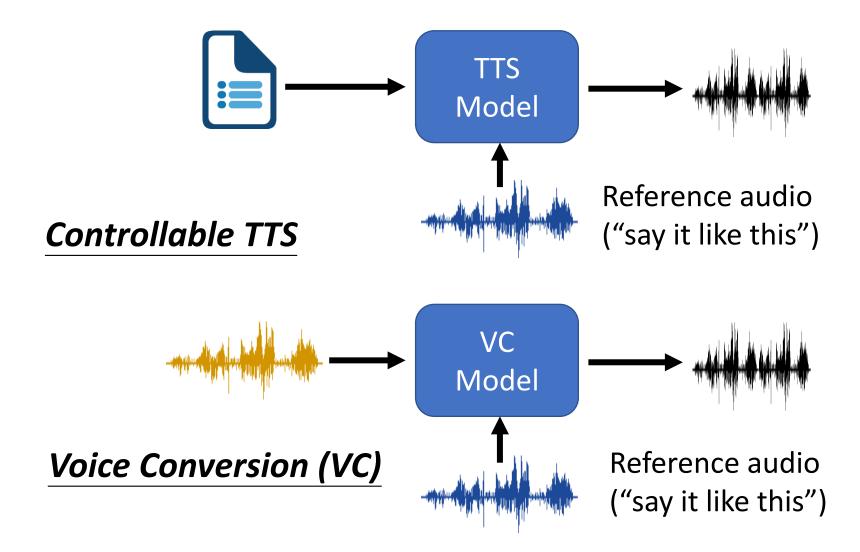


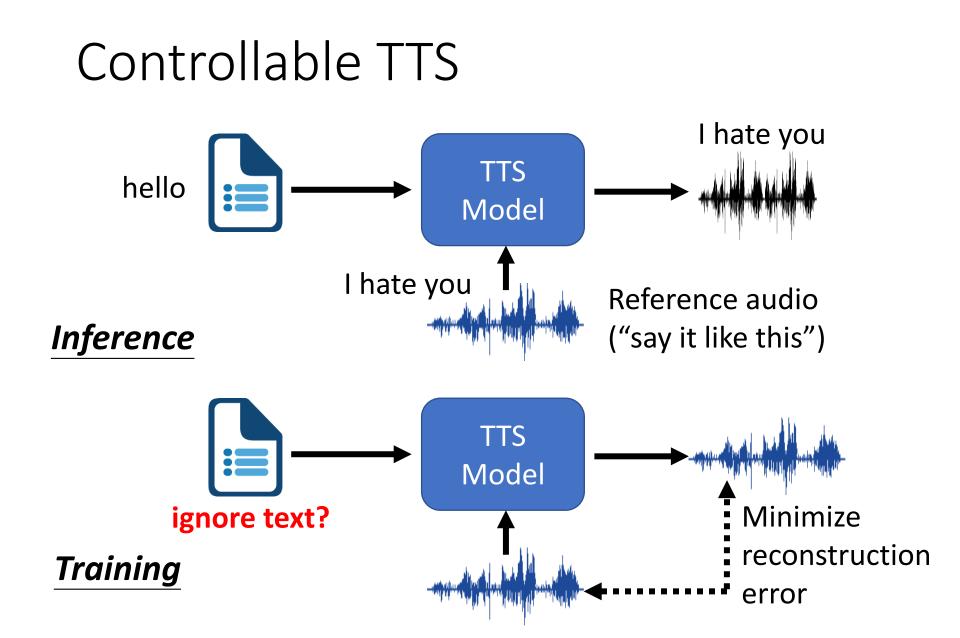
Controllable TTS

- 誰在說?
 - Voice Cloning
 - Lack of high quality single speaker data to train a speech synthesis system
- 怎麼說?
 - Intonation (語調), stress (重音), rhythm (韻律) ...
 - Prosody (抑揚頓挫)

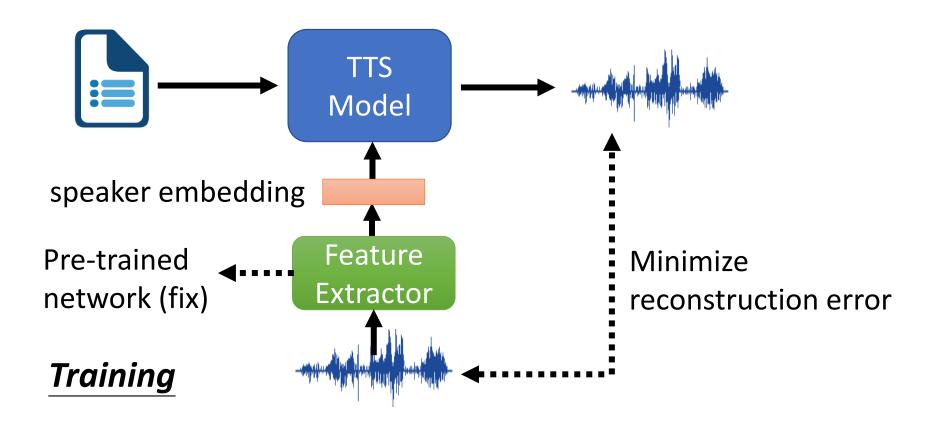
Definition. Prosody is the variation in speech signals that remains after accounting for variation due to phonetics, speaker identity, and channel effects (i.e. the recording environment). [Skerry-Ryan, et al., ICML'18]

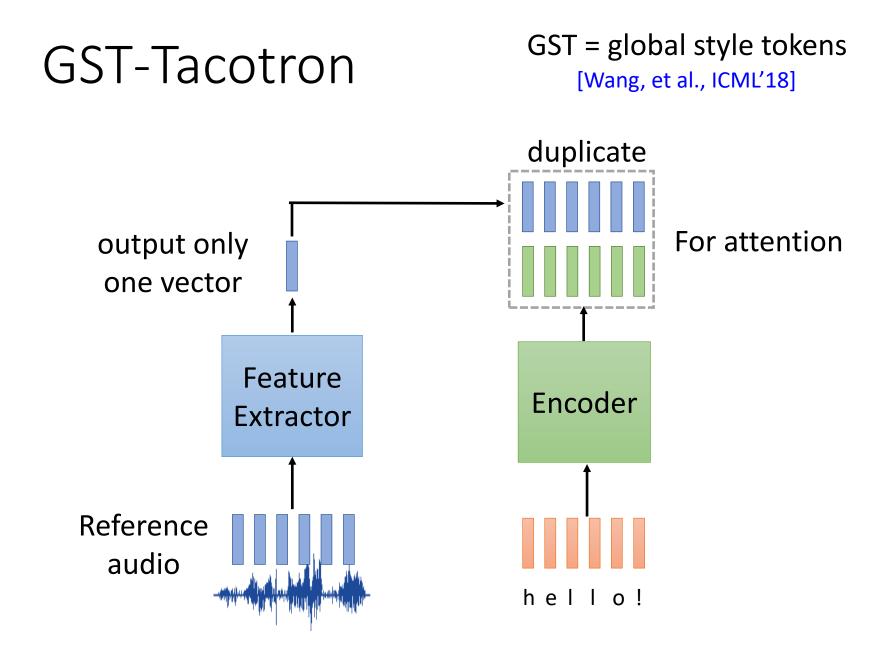
Controllable TTS v.s. VC



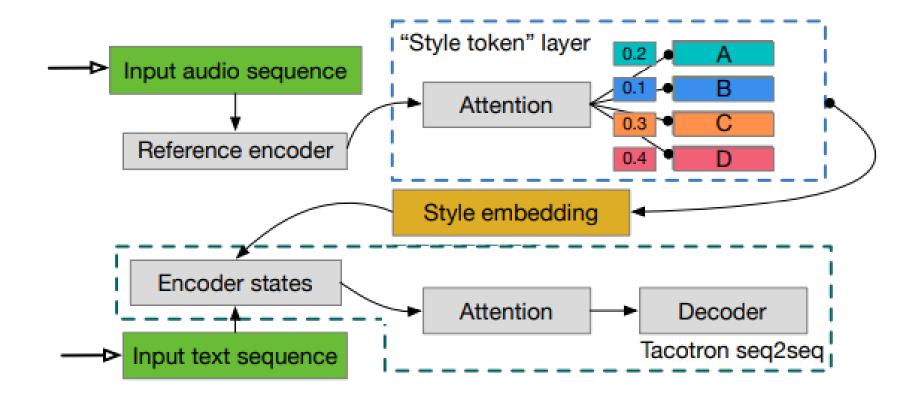


Voice Cloning

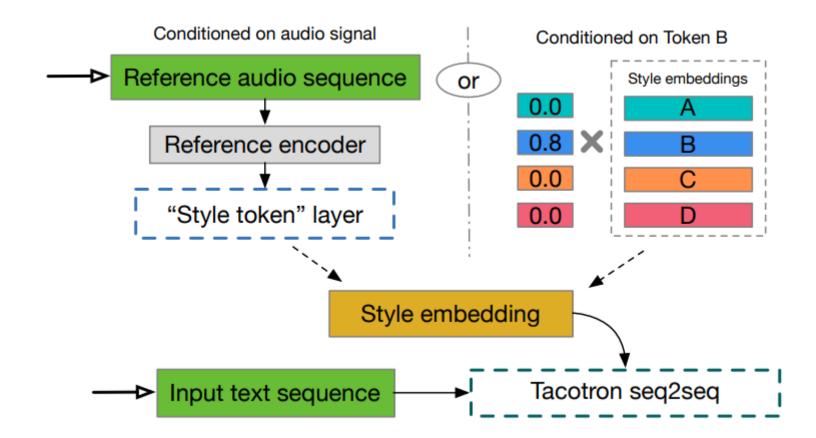




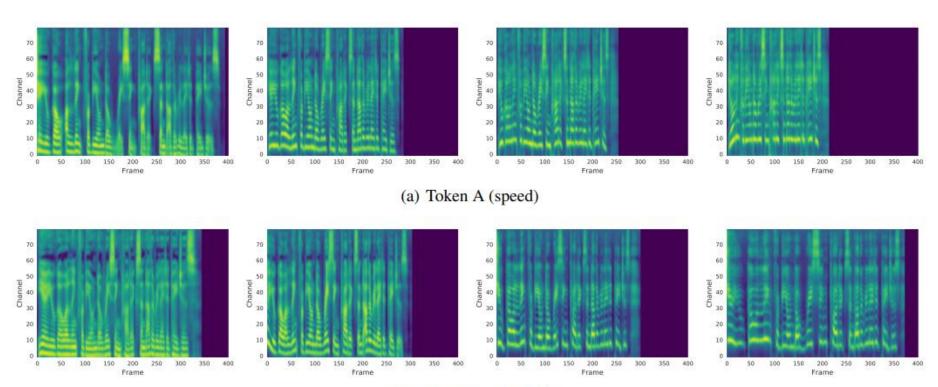




GST-Tacotron



- What does the tokens effect?
 - One token corresponds to a lower pitch voice
 - One token for a decreasing pitch
 - One token for a faster speaking rate



(b) Token B (animated)

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Concluding Remarks

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