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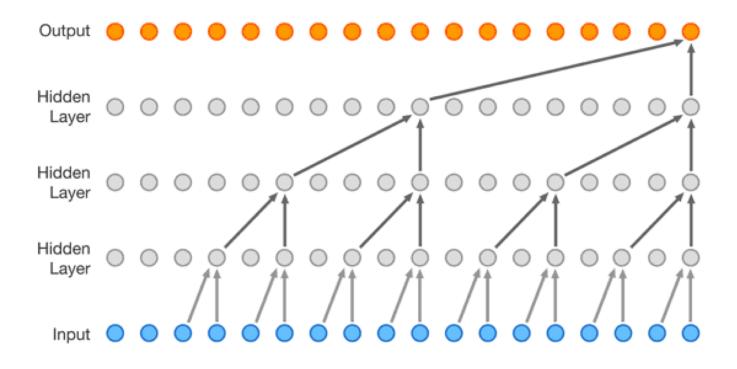
## FloWaveNet: A Generative Flow for Raw Audio

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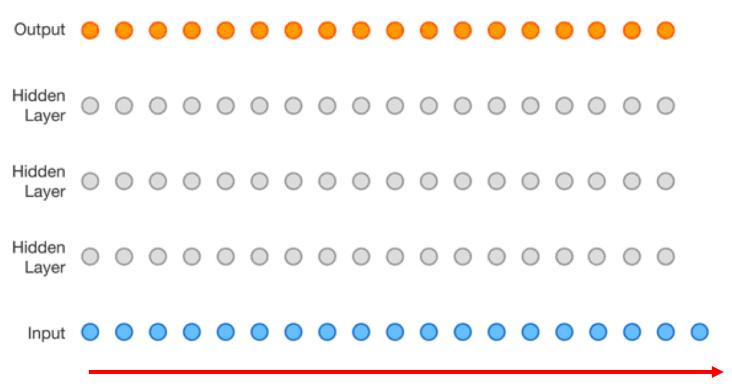


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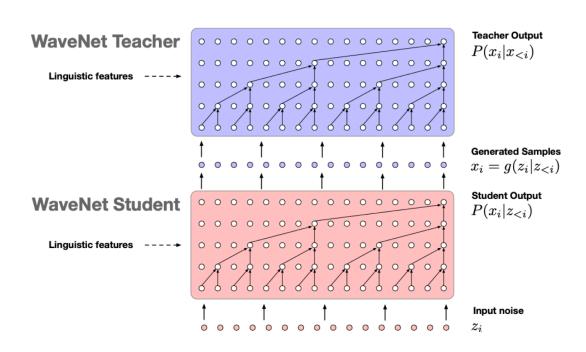
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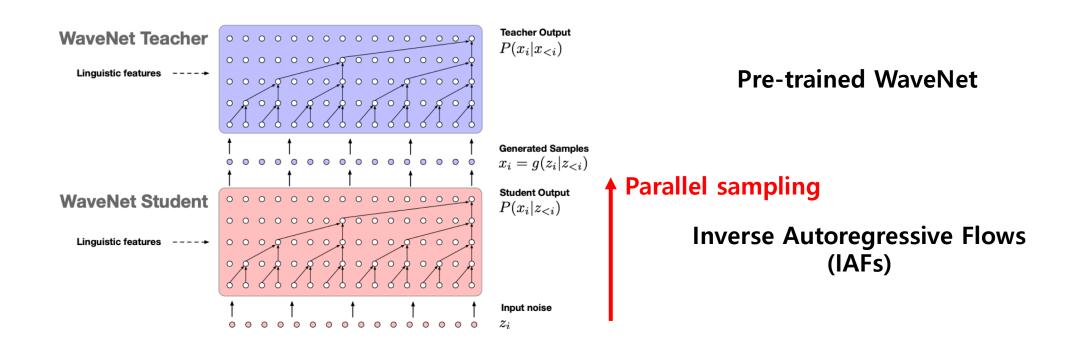
**Pre-trained WaveNet** 

Inverse Autoregressive Flows (IAFs)

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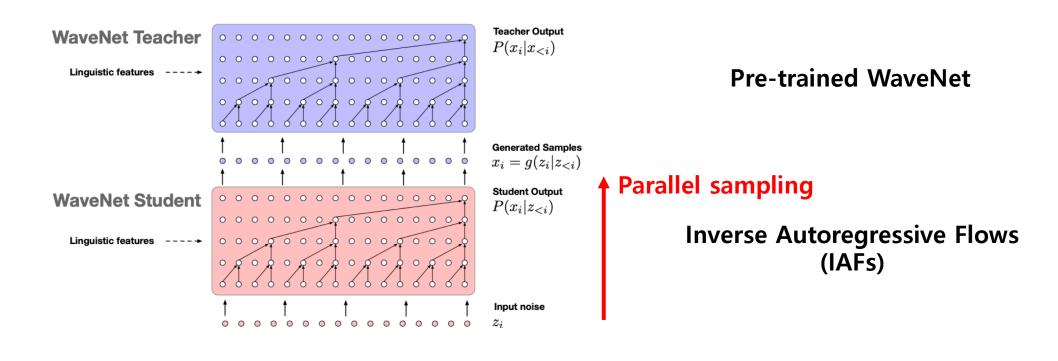
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Perceptual Loss
Contrastive Loss
Frame Loss

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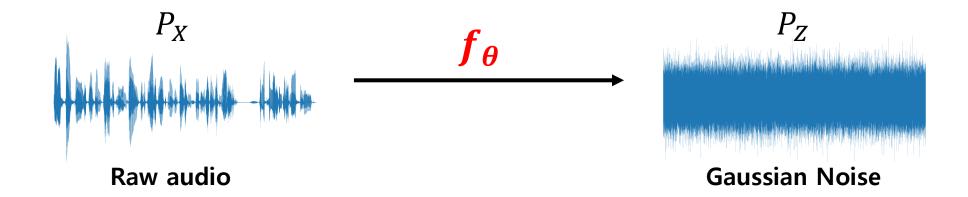
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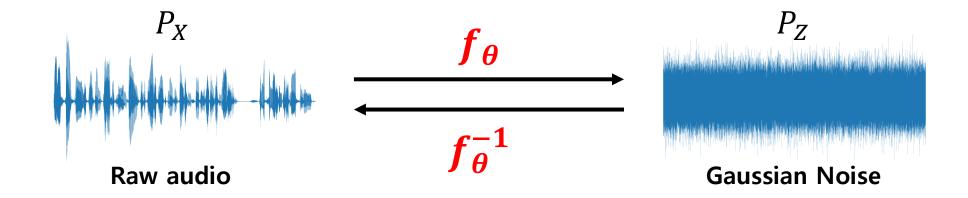
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Flow-based generative models for raw audio!



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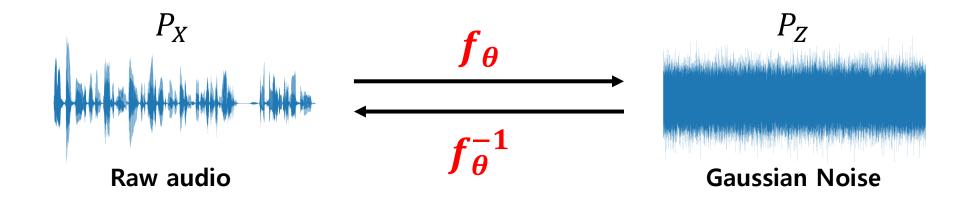


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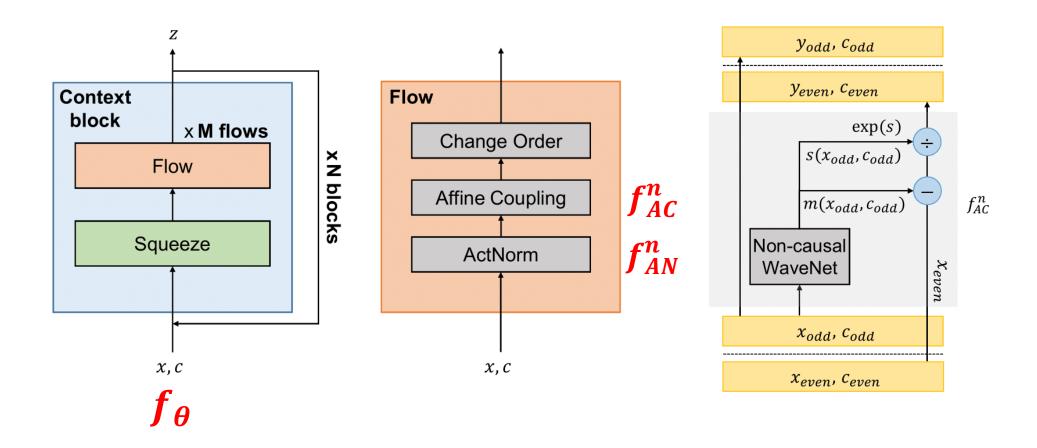
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Both the transformation  $f_{\theta}$  and  $f_{\theta}^{-1}$  are designed to be computed efficiently  $\rightarrow$  Efficient training & Parallel sampling



$$\log p_X(x_{1:T}) = \log p_Z(f(x_{1:T})) + \sum_n \log \det \left(\frac{\partial (f_{AC}^n \cdot f_{AN}^n)(x)}{\partial x}\right)$$

# **Mean Opinion Scores**



METHODS	5-SCALE MOS	TEST CLL
GROUND TRUTH	$4.67 \pm 0.076$	
MoL WaveNet	$4.30\pm 0.110$	4.6546
GAUSSIAN WAVENET	$4.46 \pm 0.100$	4.6526
GAUSSIAN IAF	$3.75\pm0.159$	
FLOWAVENET	$3.95 \pm 0.154$	4.5457

**FloWaveNet** ≥ **Gaussian IAF** 

# Sampling speed

METHODS	ITER/SEC	SAMPLES/SEC
WAVENET	N/A	172
PARALLEL WAVENET	N/A	500K
GAUSSIAN WAVENET	1.329	44
GAUSSIAN IAF	0.636	470K
FLOWAVENET	0.714	420K

FloWaveNet ≅ Gaussian IAF ≅ Parallel WaveNet >> Autoregressive WaveNet

1000s times faster

### **Conclusion**

 FloWaveNet produces high quality audio samples as well as previous distilled models.

- FloWaveNet synthesizes audio samples in parallel
  - w/o well pre-trained WaveNet (No distillation!)
  - w/o auxiliary loss terms



Demo page



Code

