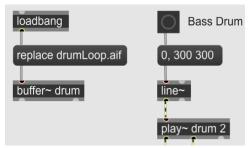


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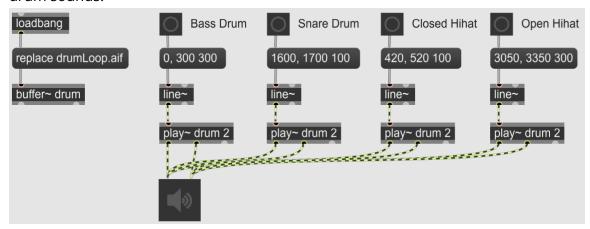
Lecture 19: Sampling & Delay

Example 1: Sampling ("1_sampling.maxpat")

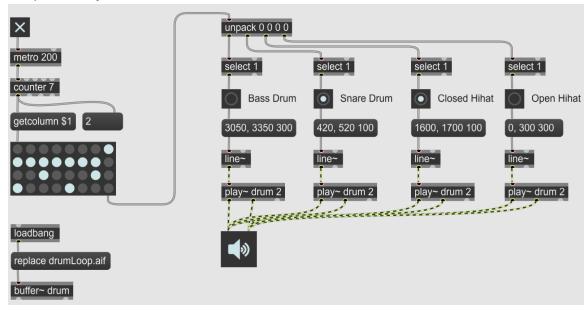
• Use the "line~" object to play part of the sample. The example below will play the first 300ms of the audio, which contains a bass drum sound.



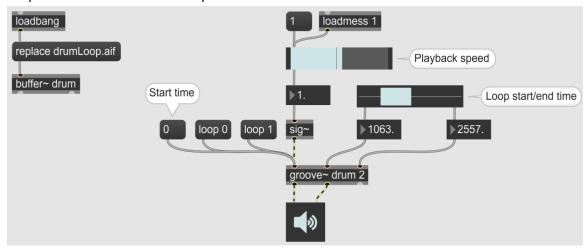
• By sampling different parts of the audio, we can create a sampler with different drum sounds.



 Use the "matrixctrl" object to create a sampler-based drum machine like what we did previously.



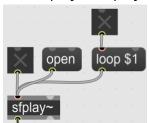
• Use the "groove~" object for variable-rate looping, which is helpful in making a looper with some audio sample.



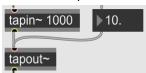
- o Messages "loop 0" and "loop 1" controls the loop behavior.
- The input signal (created by the "sig~" object in this example) determines the playback speed.
- o The second and third inlets determine the start and end time of the loop.
- The number after "groove~ drum" (2 in this example) determines the number of channels.

Example 2: Delay ("2_delay.maxpat")

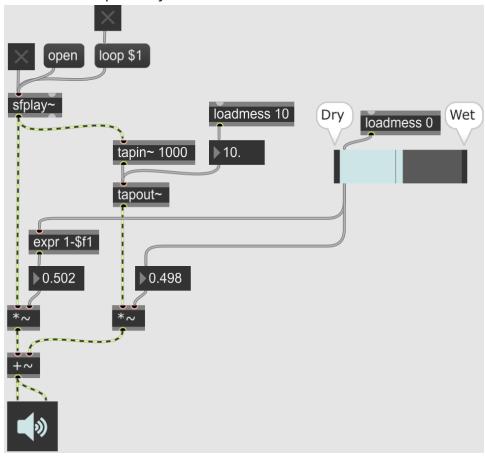
• Use "sfplay~" to play an audio stored on the machine.



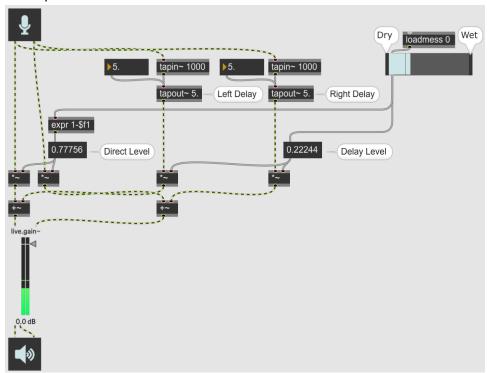
- A 0/1 value set the playback, which is controlled by a toggle in this example.
- Sending an "open" message will prompt the user to select an audio file through the file explorer.
- o The "loop 0" ("loop 1") message enables (disables) the looping behavior.
- Use the "tapin~" and "tapout~" to create a delayed version of the original signal.



 Note that the cord between the "tapin~" and "tapout~" objects is gray rather than yellow, meaning that there's no signal passing between them. Instead, the cord is to indicate that the two objects share the same delay memory. Combing everything together, we can mix the original signal with the delayed signal to create a simple delay effect.



• In the second example, we can create a similar effect using stereo inputs from the microphone.

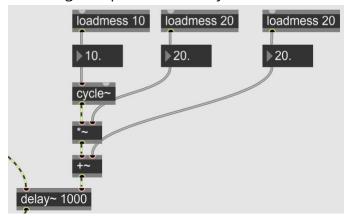


• In the third example, we can create a feedback loop on top of the delay effect to create an "infinite echo" effect, where the input audio signal keeps being delayed with decayed amplitude.



o In this example, a decayed version (80% of the original) of the delayed signal will be sent back to be delayed again (and again and again...until it becomes inaudible).

• Alternatively, we can use the "delay~" object to create the delay effect, which also allows signal input for the delay time.



• This allows us to create the "flanging" effect, which is created by mixing the input signal with a delayed version of the input signal where the delay time is oscillating (a sine wave in this example).

