

Abstract

"Tone Generating Method and Device"

Tone generating processing is activated plural times, i.e., at a plurality of activating times, within each predetermined time period. Thus, even when the tone generating processing fails to be activated at some of the activating times, a predetermined number of samples of tone data can be belatedly formed within the predetermined time period, by tone data forming operations being effected only at the other activating times when the tone generating processing is actually activated. If the predetermined number of samples of tone data can not be formed, just by the tone data forming operations effected only when the tone generating processing is actually activated, for every tone generating channel assigned to the processing, the number of the channels to be used for forming the tone data is reduced so as to secure formation of the predetermined number of samples of tone data.

(Figure 5)

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