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Design and Optimization of an Embedded Arabic Speech Recognition System Based on AI for Industrial Applications

Abstract:

This thesis focuses on the design and implementation of automatic speech recognition (ASR) systems for industrial voice commands expressed in Modern Standard Arabic (MSA), with deployment on low-resource embedded platforms such as the Raspberry Pi 4 as a primary target. The objective is to provide reliable voice-controlled interfaces that remain compatible with the computational and memory constraints of embedded devices used in industrial environments.

To achieve this goal, two complementary ASR approaches are investigated and compared. The first relies on a probabilistic framework based on Hidden Markov Models with Gaussian Mixtures (HMM-GMM), implemented using the CMU Sphinx toolkit, chosen for its robustness and low computational cost on constrained hardware. The second explores a neural architecture that combines Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN) with Temporal Convolutional Networks (TCN), in order to capture temporal dependencies in the speech signal without resorting to recurrent layers, thus improving suitability for real-time embedded inference.

Both systems are trained on a custom speech corpus of 35 industrial commands, collected from 30 native Moroccan speakers working in sectors such as energy, rail transport, and chemical processing. The implementations are deployed and evaluated on a Raspberry Pi platform with respect to recognition accuracy, noise robustness, inference latency, and resource consumption. The experimental results show that the CNN-TCN architecture offers an effective trade-off between reliability and embedded efficiency, while the comparison with the more traditional HMM-GMM approach highlights the respective strengths and limitations of each method for real-world industrial applications.

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