Data Collector for Multi-lingual ASR Engine

Capstone Group S19-38

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ASR & Problem Description

(Automatic Speech Recognition)

Extract the text from audio. Speech, product launch, video subtitle, etc.

Core models: acostic model, language model

Relative algorithms: Hidden Markov Model(HMM), neural networks

- 1. Can our system works on different languages?
- 2. What kind of language should we choose?
- a. too many users?
- b. too limited?(so few users, doesn't even have its own charactors)
- 3. where to find the resources?

Target: make sure found enough resources to train ASR system

Finding Resources & Constructing Dataset

- Data we need: Audio with corresponding Abstract or Transcript
- Goal Languages (from different languages categories) :
 - o Italiano, Hindi, Cantonese
- Type of Websites :
 - News websites, Languages learning websites, Video websites, e.g. YouTube, TED
 Talks
- Methods of constructing dataset
 - Web Scraping: extract data from websites and save to database automatically.
 - Focus is on websites that have **both the video and text.**
 - Length of video and text need to be long enough.
 - Forced alignment: match the words in the text to the corresponding part of audio.
 - Each member is responsible for one website.

Scope of Work

- Finding resources 1 Week (2/11-2/17)
- Building small programs & Primary estimation 2 Weeks (2/18-3/2)
- Integration & Final estimation 1 Week (3/3-3/10)
- Advanced target: Generalization & ASR related learning (3/11-)

General Plan & Allocation

- Each one find his own resource website & design a specific program to obtain the data set
- Try to combine all programs together into a gathered version.
 i.e. building a template that works for all small programs
- Estimation & Generalization

THANK YOU!