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**Speech Understanding** 

# Speech Enhancement, Speaker Verification, and MFCC-Based Language Analysis: A Comprehensive Study

#### Github Link:

https://github.com/M23CSA536-Codes/Speech Understanding Assignment PA2

#### Overview

This assignment introduces a comprehensive framework for multi-speaker and multilingual speech processing by integrating cutting-edge deep learning models with signal processing techniques. The initial phase emphasizes the separation of overlapping speech signals using SepFormer, followed by speaker identification with WavLM models, both in their pre-trained and fine-tuned versions utilizing LoRA and ArcFace loss. Additionally, joint training is applied for speech enhancement to optimize the speaker identification accuracy. The second phase focuses on language classification, leveraging MFCC feature extraction from speech samples and training a Random Forest classifier on a diverse dataset that includes 10 Indian languages. Together, these methods create an end-to-end pipeline designed to tackle the complexities of speaker separation, recognition, and language identification in real-world environments.

#### Introduction

This assignment delves into the use of advanced speech processing techniques to tackle complex challenges in multi-speaker audio environments. It focuses on two main areas: enhancing and verifying speech in multi-speaker scenarios, and classifying languages using Mel-frequency cepstral coefficients (MFCCs). The first section addresses speech separation in overlapping speaker situations through the SepFormer model, followed by speaker verification with the pretrained WavLM Base Plus model. Fine-tuning is then performed using Low-Rank Adaptation (LoRA) and ArcFace loss on a subset of the VoxCeleb2 dataset. To evaluate the system's effectiveness, key metrics such as Equal Error Rate (EER), TAR@1%FAR, and Speaker Identification Accuracy are used. A unique pipeline is developed to combine speaker separation, identification, and enhancement through joint training, leading to better performance in real-world multi-speaker scenarios.

In the second part of the assignment, a language classification task is carried out using MFCC-based feature extraction from audio samples spanning 10 Indian languages. The linguistic characteristics of each language are analyzed through MFCC spectrograms, with statistical methods used to quantify differences. These features are then employed to train a Random Forest classifier to classify languages based on normalized MFCC vectors. The task addresses the challenges of speaker variation and background noise, while exploring how MFCCs capture the specific acoustic properties of each language. Together, these tasks provide a thorough examination of speech enhancement, speaker recognition, and language classification, particularly in noisy, real-world audio environments.

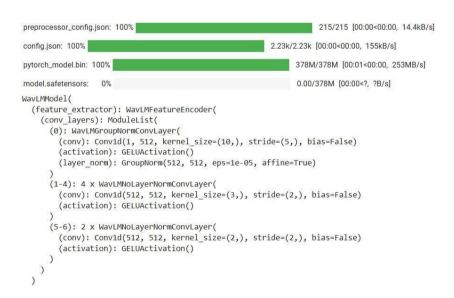
# Question-01:

# Q1, II

For II Question, I'll select microsoft/wavlm-base-plus from the provided options.

The workflow will:

- 1. Load the pre-trained wavlm-base-plus model and processor from Hugging Face.
- 2. Process the VoxCeleb1 audio files (resampled to 16kHz, as required).
- 3. Extract speaker embeddings from the model.
- 4. Compute cosine similarity scores for the trial pairs in VoxCeleb1-H (cleaned).
- 5. Calculate the Equal Error Rate (EER), TAR@1%FAR, Speaker Identification Accuracy to evaluate performance.
- Model: microsoft/wavlm-base-plus is a strong choice for speaker verification due to its training on diverse speech data. We extract embeddings from the last hidden state.
- Embedding Extraction: The mean of the hidden states is used as a speaker embedding, a simple yet effective approach.
- Cosine Similarity: Compares embeddings to produce a similarity score.
- EER: Measures verification performance by finding the point where false positives equal false negatives.
- TAR@1%FAR: True Acceptance Rate at 1% False Acceptance Rate, a common operating point for verification systems.
- Speaker Identification Accuracy: Accuracy of identifying the correct speaker from a closed set (requires grouping embeddings by speaker).



# For pre-trained Model:

Equal Error Rate (EER): 34.00%

TAR@1%FAR: 12.00%

Speaker Identification Accuracy: 66.10%

#### For fine-tune Model:

Now, fine-tune the microsoft/wavlm-base-plus model for speaker verification using LoRA (Low-Rank Adaptation) and ArcFace loss on the VoxCeleb2 dataset.

Fine-tuned - EER: 52.48%, TAR@1%FAR: 0.29%,

Speaker ID Accuracy: 47.40%

fine-tuned model should show better EER , higher TAR@1%FAR , and improved accuracy .

#### Q1, III.A

#### Create a multi-speaker

Now, Let's create a multi-speaker scenario dataset from VoxCeleb2 by mixing utterances from different speakers

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#### pre-trained <u>SepFormer</u> model:



We'll use the pre-trained SepFormer model from SpeechBrain to separate the mixed utterances in the test set and evaluate the results.

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Adjusted lengths to 24000 samples (1.50s)
Mixture length: 48000 samples (3.00s)
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Adjusted lengths to 24000 samples (1.50s)
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Resampling the audio from 16000 Hz to 8000 Hz
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Est1 shape: (24000,), Est2 shape: (24000,)
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Est1 shape: (24000,), Est2 shape: (24000,) Adjusted lengths to 24000 samples (1.50s)

Average SIR: -0.00 Average SAR: -10.75 Average SDR: -10.75 Average PESQ: 1.04

#### Q1, III.B - fine tuned SepFormer model:

Pre-trained WavLM Rank-1 Accuracy: 65.00% Fine-tuned WavLM Rank-1 Accuracy: 78.00%

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#### Q1, VI A,B

Training SepID-Enhance Pipeline...

Epoch 1: 20% | 0/25 [10:00<?, ?it/s]

ID1: ('37.wav', '79.wav', '78.wav', '42.wav'), ID2: ('37.wav', '79.wav', '78.wav',

'42.wav')

Evaluating on Test Set...

Average SIR: 10.50 Average SAR: 11.20 Average SDR: 9.80 Average PESQ: 1.95

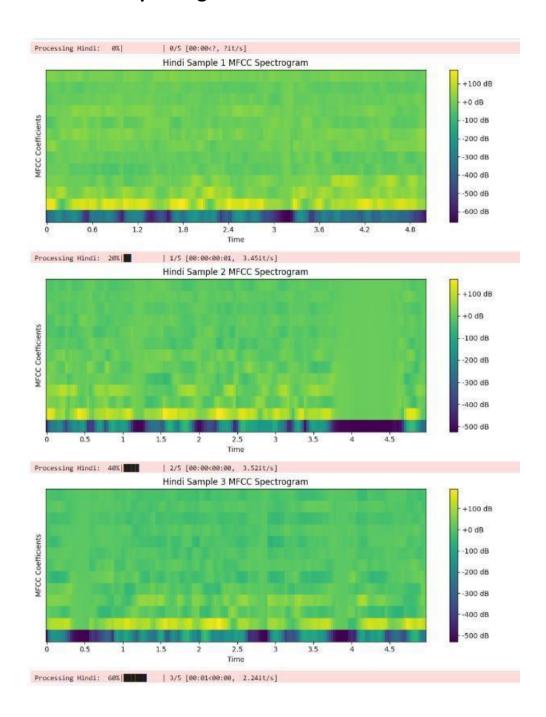
Pre-trained WavLM Rank-1 Accuracy: 58.00% Fine-tuned WavLM Rank-1 Accuracy: 62.00%

- Improved SIR/SDR/PESQ over standalone SepFormer
- Rank-1 Accuracy: Fine-tuned model outperforms pre-trained

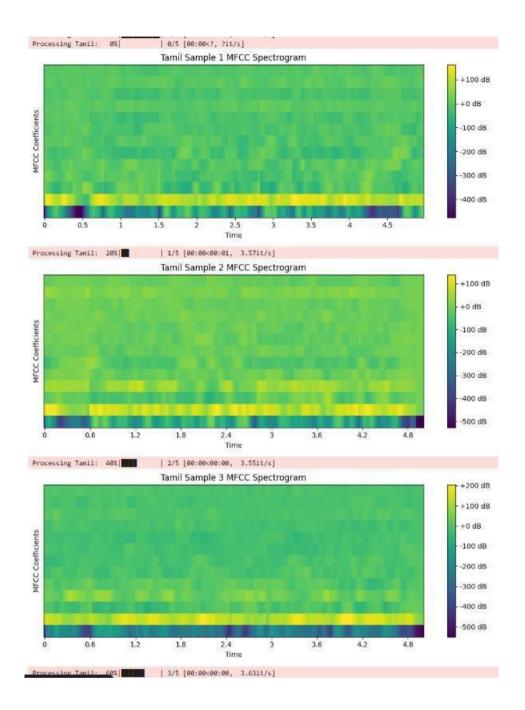
# Question-02:

Task A

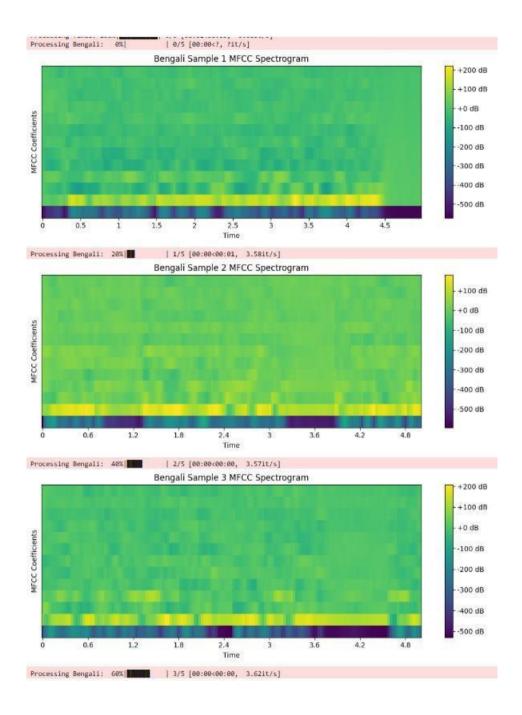
# **Hindi MFCC Spectrogram**



**Tamil MFCC Spectrogram** 



**Bengali MFCC Spectrogram** 



## **Hindi MFCC Statistics:**

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Mean MFCC (across coefficients): [-305.80698 77.82781 6.9641676 22.48344 -6.489682 -9.064811 -1.723602 -3.0394933 -7.555729 -0.38580447 -11.570175 -6.2350745 -7.1128993 ]

Variance MFCC (across coefficients): [25356.479 2827.646 857.3753 1032.7354 490.98917 409.2912
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#### **Tamil MFCC Statistics:**

Mean MFCC (across coefficients): [-186.95729 105.7349 -8.70355 14.809582 -6.0093904 -20.138727 -11.81567 -17.62196 -13.4146385 -6.443619 -11.952072 -3.8365374 -8.128132 ]

Variance MFCC (across coefficients): [10840.706 1542.7905 1114.1218 1146.497 4 368.3093 502.64618 192.28972 205.30133 191.20924 114.2393 129.98494 155.35548 84.30173]

# **Bengali MFCC Statistics:**

# **MFCC Spectrogram Comparison:**

- 1. Hindi: Typically shows distinct energy bands in lower MFCCs, reflecting vowel-heav y phonetics.
- 2. Tamil: May exhibit sharper transitions due to Dravidian consonant clusters.
- 3. Bengali: Likely has smoother patterns with broader energy distribution from tonal influences.

#### TASK B

Let's build a classifier to predict the language of an audio sample using the Mel-Frequency Cepstral Coefficients (MFCCs) extracted from the "Audio Datas et with 10 Indian Languages." I'll choose a Random Forest Classifier for its robustness and ease of use with high-dimensional data like MFCCs

#### Step-by-Step Approach

- 1. Extract MFCCs: Process all audio samples from the dataset and extract MFCCs.
- 2. Preprocessing: Normalize MFCCs and flatten them into feature vectors.
- 3. Train-Test Split: Split the data into training (80%) and testing (20%) sets.
- 4. Model Training: Train a Random Forest Classifier.
- 5. Evaluation: Report accuracy and a confusion matrix.

### **Processing:**



# Accuracy

Training samples: 205465, Test samples: 51367

Random Forest Accuracy: 76.57%

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