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## **Overall Architecture & Techniques Used**
### **1. Feature Extraction Technique**
- **Mel-Frequency Cepstral Coefficients (MFCCs)** - Primary features
- **Chromagram** - Pitch class profiles
- **Mel Spectrogram** - Frequency representation
- **Spectral Contrast** - Spectral characteristics
- **Tonnetz** - Tonal relationships
- **Zero Crossing Rate** - Time-domain feature
### **2. Model Architecture**
- **CNN + BiLSTM + Temporal Attention Hybrid Model**
- **Conv1D Layers**: Feature extraction from spectral patterns
- **BiLSTM Layers**: Sequence modeling (forward + backward context)
- **Temporal Attention**: Focus on emotionally relevant time segments
- **Dense Layers**: Final classification
### **3. Training Techniques**
- **Class Weighting**: Handles imbalanced datasets
- **Learning Rate Scheduling**: Adaptive learning rate reduction
- **Early Stopping**: Prevents overfitting
- **Strong Regularization**: Dropout + L2 regularization
- **Data Augmentation**: Time/Frequency masking, pitch shifting, noise addition
## **Complete Workflow from Start to Finish**
### **PHASE 1: DATA PREPROCESSING**
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# Workflow:
Audio Files → Feature Extraction → Normalization → Padding → Train/Test Split
**Steps:**
1. **Load Audio Files** from dataset directory
2. **Extract Features** using MFCCs and other spectral features
3. **Normalize Features** using StandardScaler (mean=0, std=1)
4. **Pad Sequences** to equal length for batch processing
5. **Split Data** into training (85%) and validation (15%) sets
### **PHASE 2: MODEL TRAINING**
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# Workflow:
Build Model → Compile → Train with Callbacks → Save Best Model
**Steps:**
1. **Build CNN-BiLSTM-Attention** architecture
2. **Compile** with Adam optimizer and sparse categorical crossentropy
3. **Train** with validation monitoring
4. **Apply Callbacks**:
 - Early Stopping (patience=12)
 - Learning Rate Reduction (patience=5)
 - Model Checkpointing
5. **Save** best model, scaler, and class labels
### **PHASE 3: PREDICTION PIPELINE**
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# Workflow:
Load Audio → Extract Features → Preprocess → Model Prediction → Postprocess → Results
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**Steps:**
1. **Load trained model** and preprocessing artifacts
2. **Extract features** from new audio file
3. **Apply same preprocessing** as training (scaling, padding)
4. **Predict** emotion probabilities
5. **Postprocess** results into human-readable format
## **Detailed Technical Workflow**
### **Training Phase Detailed Steps:**
1. **Data Loading**
 ```python
 files = glob.glob("dataset/*/*.wav") # Find all audio files
 data = process_files_parallel(files) # Parallel processing
2. **Feature Extraction**
 ```python
 # For each audio file:
 mfccs = librosa.feature.mfcc(y=audio, sr=sr, n_mfcc=40)
 chroma = librosa.feature.chroma_stft(y=audio, sr=sr)
 mel = librosa.feature.melspectrogram(y=audio, sr=sr)
 # Combine all features into single matrix
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3. \*\*Data Preparation\*\*

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 # Pad all sequences to same length
 features_padded = pad_sequences(features, max_length)
 # Normalize features
 scaler = StandardScaler()
 features_normalized = scaler.fit_transform(features_padded)
 # Encode labels
 label_encoder = LabelEncoder()
 labels_encoded = label_encoder.fit_transform(labels)
4. **Model Construction**
 ```python
 # Architecture:
 Input → Conv1D → BN → ReLU → Pooling → Dropout
    → Conv1D → BN → ReLU → Pooling → Dropout
    → BiLSTM → Dropout
    → BiLSTM → Dropout
    → Temporal Attention
    → Dense → Dropout
    → Output (Softmax)
5. **Training Execution**
 ```python
 history = model.fit(
   X_train, y_train,
   validation_data=(X_val, y_val),
   epochs=100,
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batch_size=32,
   class_weight=class_weights,
   callbacks=[early_stopping, lr_reduction, checkpoint]
 )
### **Prediction Phase Detailed Steps:**
1. **Model Loading**
 ```python
 model = load_model("models/ser_model.keras")
 scaler = load_pickle("models/scaler.pkl")
 classes = load_pickle("models/classes.pkl")
2. **Feature Processing**
 ```python
 # Extract features from new audio
 features = extract_feature(audio_path)
 # Apply same preprocessing as training
 features_scaled = scaler.transform(features)
 features_padded = pad_to_model_shape(features_scaled)
3. **Prediction**
 ```python
 # Get model predictions
 predictions = model.predict(features_padded)
 # Get top emotion and confidence
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emotion_idx = np.argmax(predictions)
 emotion = classes[emotion_idx]
 confidence = predictions[0][emotion_idx]
4. **Result Formatting**
 ```python
 results = {
   "emotion": emotion,
   "confidence": float(confidence),
   "all_scores": {classes[i]: float(score) for i, score in enumerate(predictions[0])},
   "timestamp": (0.0, audio_duration)
 }
## **Hyperparameters & Configuration**
### **Model Hyperparameters:**
- **Learning Rate**: 1e-3 with reduction to 1e-6
- **Batch Size**: 32
- **Epochs**: 100 (with early stopping)
- **Dropout Rates**: 0.5-0.6
- **L2 Regularization**: 0.001
- **Optimizer**: Adam
### **Feature Extraction Parameters:**
- **Sample Rate**: 22050 Hz
- **MFCCs**: 40 coefficients
- **FFT Size**: 2048
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- **Hop Length**: 512
- **Mel Bands**: 128
## **Expected Performance Metrics**
### **Good Training Should Show:**
- **Training Accuracy**: 92-95%
- **Validation Accuracy**: 90-93%
- **Accuracy Gap**: <3%
- **Validation Loss**: Decreasing then stabilizing
### **Warning Signs:**
- **Gap >5%**: Overfitting
- **Validation loss increasing**: Overfitting
- **Both accuracies low**: Underfitting
## pp**Deployment Ready Features**
1. **Model Persistence**: Saved in .keras format
2. **Preprocessing Artifacts**: Scaler and classes saved
3. **Error Handling**: Robust exception handling
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4. \*\*Memory Efficiency\*\*: Batch processing for large files

5. \*\*Real-time Ready\*\*: Can be adapted for streaming audio

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