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## Abstract

Text-to-speech (TTS) technology is a cutting-edge application that converts written text into spoken words, offering a revolutionary solution for accessibility, communication, and content consumption. This transformative technology employs sophisticated algorithms to analyze and interpret textual data, generating natural-sounding speech with intonations and cadences that closely mimic human voices. TTS has profound implications for individuals with visual impairments, as it enables them to access and comprehend written information effortlessly. Beyond accessibility, TTS finds widespread use in various sectors such as navigation systems, virtual assistants, and audiobook production, enhancing user experiences with different accents and facilitating seamless interaction between humans and technology. As advancements continue, the synthesis of speech through TTS is poised to play an increasingly pivotal role in bridging communication gaps and fostering inclusivity in the digital landscape.

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# Chapter 1

## Introduction

Text-to-speech (TTS) technology stands at the forefront of a transformative era in human-computer interaction, revolutionizing the way we engage with written content. This innovative application harnesses the power of sophisticated algorithms to seamlessly convert written text into natural-sounding spoken words, breaking down barriers for accessibility and communication.

### 1.1 Purpose

The primary purpose of text-to-speech (TTS) technology is to facilitate the conversion of written text into spoken words, thereby enhancing accessibility, communication, and user experience across various applications. TTS plays a pivotal role in making digital content more inclusive, allowing individuals with visual impairments or reading difficulties to access information effortlessly. Additionally, it contributes to the development of user-friendly interfaces in navigation systems, virtual assistants, and interactive technologies.

## 1.2. OBJECTIVE

### 1.2 Objective

The objective of this application is:

- **User Experience Enhancement:** Improve user experiences in devices, virtual assistants, and interactive technologies by providing natural-sounding and human-like speech..
- **Accessibility:** Enable individuals with visual impairments or reading difficulties to access written information through spoken words.
- **Inclusivity:** Foster a more inclusive digital environment by breaking down barriers to information access.
- **Alternative Content Consumption:** Facilitate alternative modes of content consumption, such as audiobooks and voiceovers.
- **Advancements in Technology:** Adapt and contribute to ongoing advancements in artificial intelligence and human-computer interaction.
- **Communication Technologies:** Play a role in enhancing communication technologies through voice-activated systems and interactive applications

### 1.3 Contribution

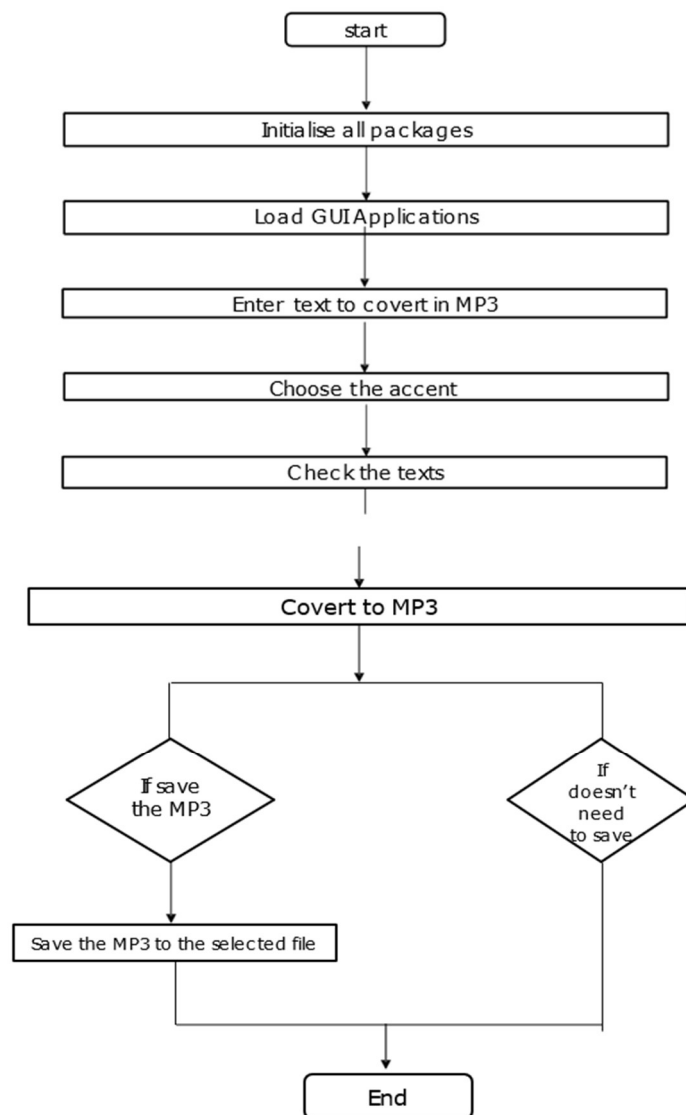
The major contribution in this project are: to digital inclusivity and user experience by addressing accessibility challenges and enhancing communication across various applications.

### 1.4 Report Organization

The project report is divided into three sections. Section 2: describes the methodology used for implementing the project. Section 3: gives the results and discussions. Finally, Section 4 gives the conclusion.

## REPORT ORGANIZATION

### Process Flow Diagram – LEVEL 0



## Chapter 2

# Methodology

### 2.1 Introduction

In the methodology section for a text-to-speech (TTS) study, the focus is on detailing the systematic approach undertaken to investigate or develop TTS technology. The introduction to the methodology provides a comprehensive overview of the research design, data sources, and the analytical techniques utilized in the study. It typically includes a justification for the chosen TTS development approach or investigation method, considerations regarding the linguistic and technological aspects, and the rationale behind selecting specific algorithms or models. Additionally, this section may delve into the evaluation metrics employed to assess the performance of the TTS system, considering factors such as naturalness, intelligibility, and efficiency. The transparency of the methodology is crucial for understanding the steps taken to achieve the research objectives and for assessing the reliability and applicability of the TTS technology developed or studied.

## 2.1. USER STORY

### 2.2 User story

A key component of agile software development is putting people first, and user-stories put actual end users at the center of the conversation. Stories use non-technical language to provide context for the development team and their efforts. After reading a user story, the team knows why they are building what they're building and what value it creates. A user story is a tool used in agile software development to capture a description of a software feature from an end-user perspective. The user story describes the type of user, what they want and why. A user story helps to create a simplified description of a requirement. User stories are one of the core components of an agile program. They help provide a user-focused framework for daily work, which drives collaboration, creativity, and a better product overall.

UserStoryID	As a <type of user>	I want to	So that I can
1	user	Enter text	Enter the text and <u>coverted</u> into speech
2	user	Adjust the speed	Can adjust speed as <u>slow,normal</u> and fast
4	user	Adjust the volume and pitch	We can adjust the volume and pitch as you want
3	user	Save the speech	Can save the speech as MP3

## 2.3 PRODUCT BACKLOG

### 2.4 Product backlog

A product backlog is a list of the new features, changes to existing features, bug fixes, infrastructure changes or other activities that a team may deliver to achieve a specific outcome. The product backlog is the single authoritative source for things that a team works on. That means that nothing gets done that isn't on the product backlog. Conversely, the presence of a product backlog item on a product backlog does not guarantee that it will be delivered. It represents an option the team has for delivering a specific outcome rather than a commitment. It should be cheap and fast to add a product backlog item to the product backlog, and it should be equally as easy to remove a product backlog item that does not result in direct progress to achieving the desired outcome or enable progress toward the outcome. The Scrum Product Backlog is simply a list of all things that need to be done within the project. It replaces the traditional requirements specification artifacts. These items can have a technical nature or can be user-centric e.g., in the form of user stories.

ID	PRIORITY	SIZE (Hours)	SPRINT	STATUS	NAME
1	Medium	8	1	completed	Form Design
4	High	23	2	completed	Coding
5	Medium	10	3	completed	Testing Data
6	High	9		completed	Output Generation

## *2.5 PROJECT PLAN*

### **2.5 Project Plan**

A project plan that has a series of tasks laid out for the entire project, listing task durations, responsibility assignments, and dependencies. Plans are developed in this manner based on the assumption that the Project Manager, hopefully along with the team, can predict up front everything that will need to happen in the project, how long it will take, and who will be able to do it.

ID	TASK NAME	START DATE	END DATE	PROJECT HOURS	STATUS
1	Sprint 1	15/09/2023	12/10/2023	13	Completed
2	Sprint 2	13/10/2023	03/11/2023	14	Completed
3	Sprint 3	08/11/2023	30/11/2023	14	Completed



## 2.6. SPRINT BACKLOG(PLAN)

### 2.6 Sprint backlog(plan)

The sprint backlog is a list of tasks identified by the Scrum team to be completed during the Scrum sprint. During the sprint planning meeting, the team selects a number of product backlog items, usually in the form of user stories, and identifies the tasks necessary to complete each user story. Most teams also estimate how many hours each task will take someone on the team to complete.

This project has three sprints: -

#### SPRINT 1 (PLAN)

Backlog Item	Status and Completion date	Original Estimate in hours	Day 1 15/09	Day 2 20/09	Day 3 21/09	Day 4 28/09	Day 5 29/09	Day 6 04/10	Day 7 05/10	Day 8 06/10	Day 9 11/10	Day 10 12/10
Form Design	15/09/2023	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Coding	06/10/2023	8	0	1	1	1	2	1	1	2	0	0
Testing & Validation	12/10/2023	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
<b>Total</b>		13	2	1	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	1

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#### SPRINT 2 (PLAN)

Backlog Item	Status and Completion date	Original Estimate in hours	Day 1 13/10	Day 2 18/10	Day 3 19/10	Day 4 20/10	Day 5 25/10	Day 6 26/10	Day 7 27/10	Day 8 01/11	Day 9 02/11	Day 10 03/11
Form Design	13/10/2023	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Coding	01/11/2023	9	0	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	0	0
Testing & Validation	03/11/2023	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
<b>Total</b>		14	2	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	2

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## 2.6. SPRINT BACKLOG(PLAN)

### SPRINT 3 (PLAN)

Backlog Item	Status and Completion date	Original Estimate in hours	Day 1 08/11	Day 2 09/11	Day 3 10/11	Day 4 15/11	Day 5 16/11	Day 6 17/11	Day 7 22/11	Day 8 23/11	Day 9 24/11	Day 10 29/11	Day 11 30/11
Coding	01/11/2023	9	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	0	0	0	0
Testing & Validation	03/11/2023	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	1
<b>Total</b>		14	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	1

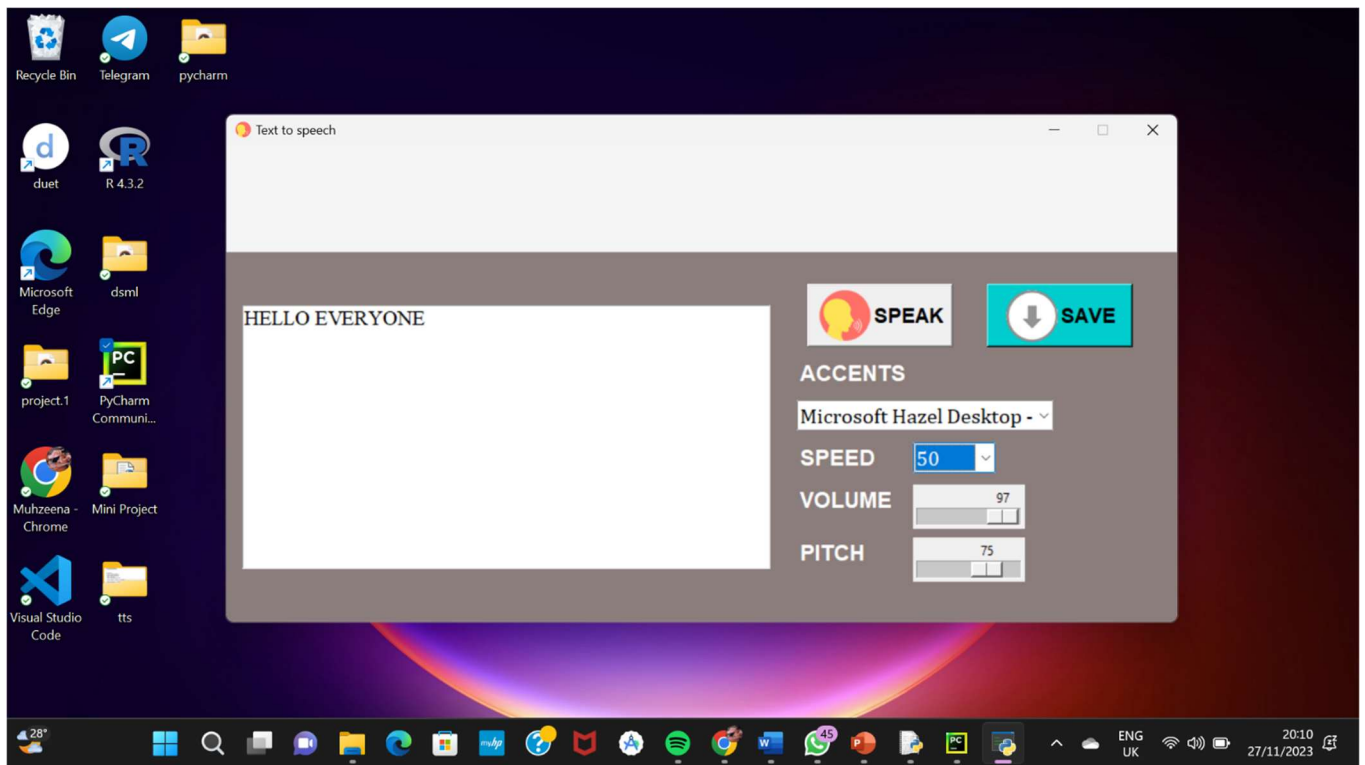
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## Chapter 3

# Results and Discussions

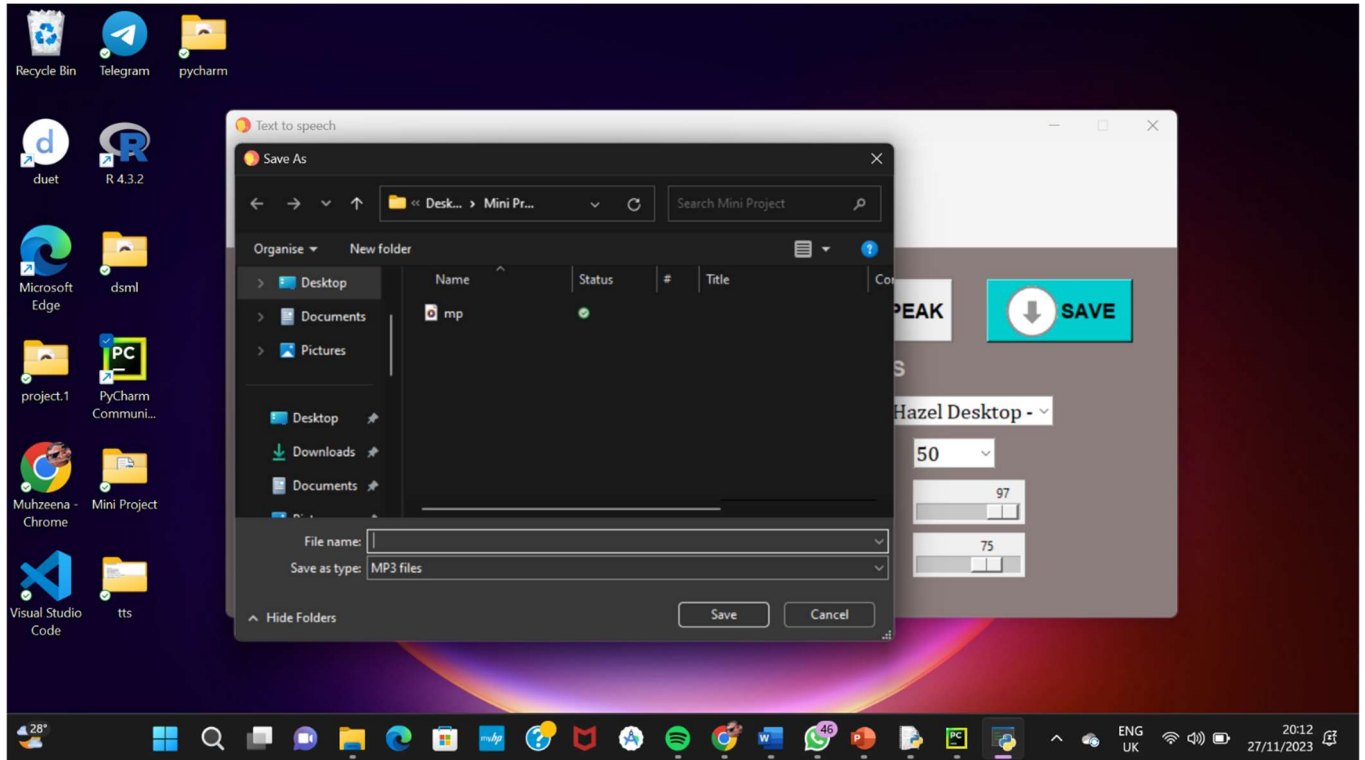
### 3.1 Results

#### MAIN PAGE

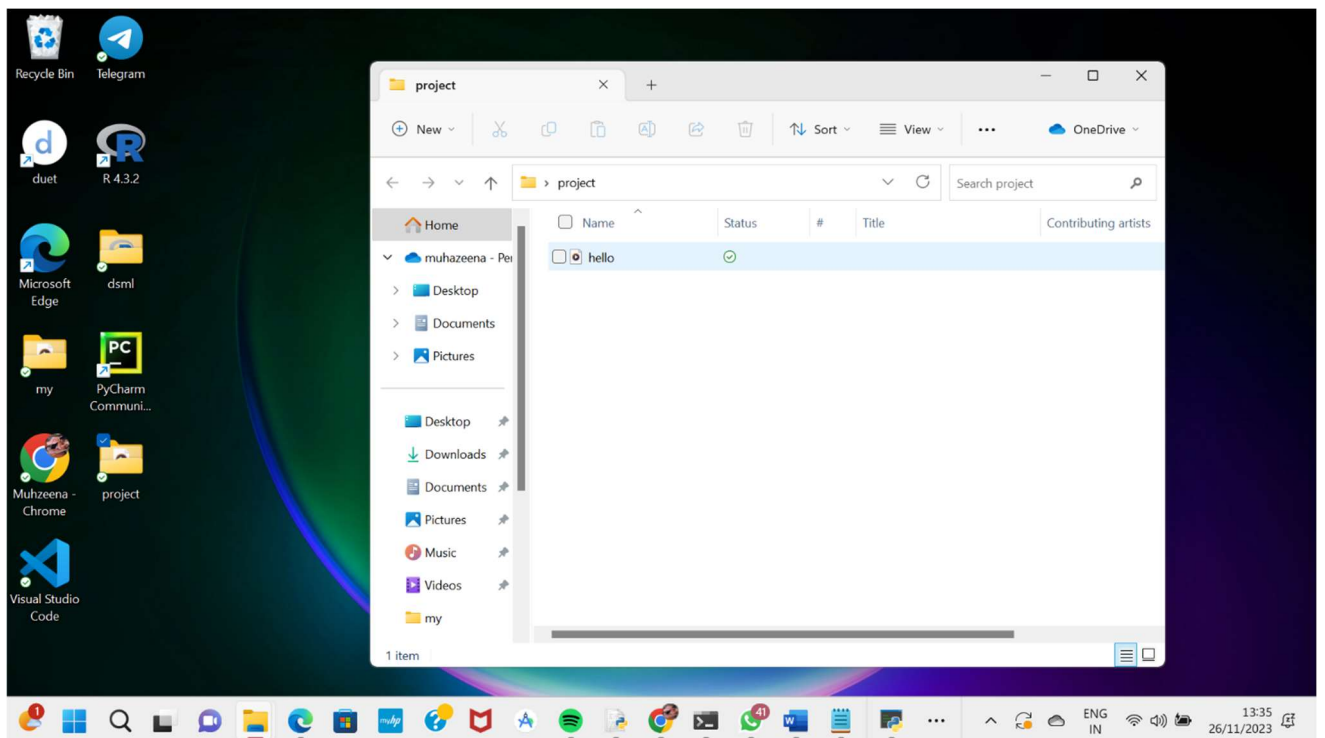


### 3.1. RESULTS

#### DOWNLOAD

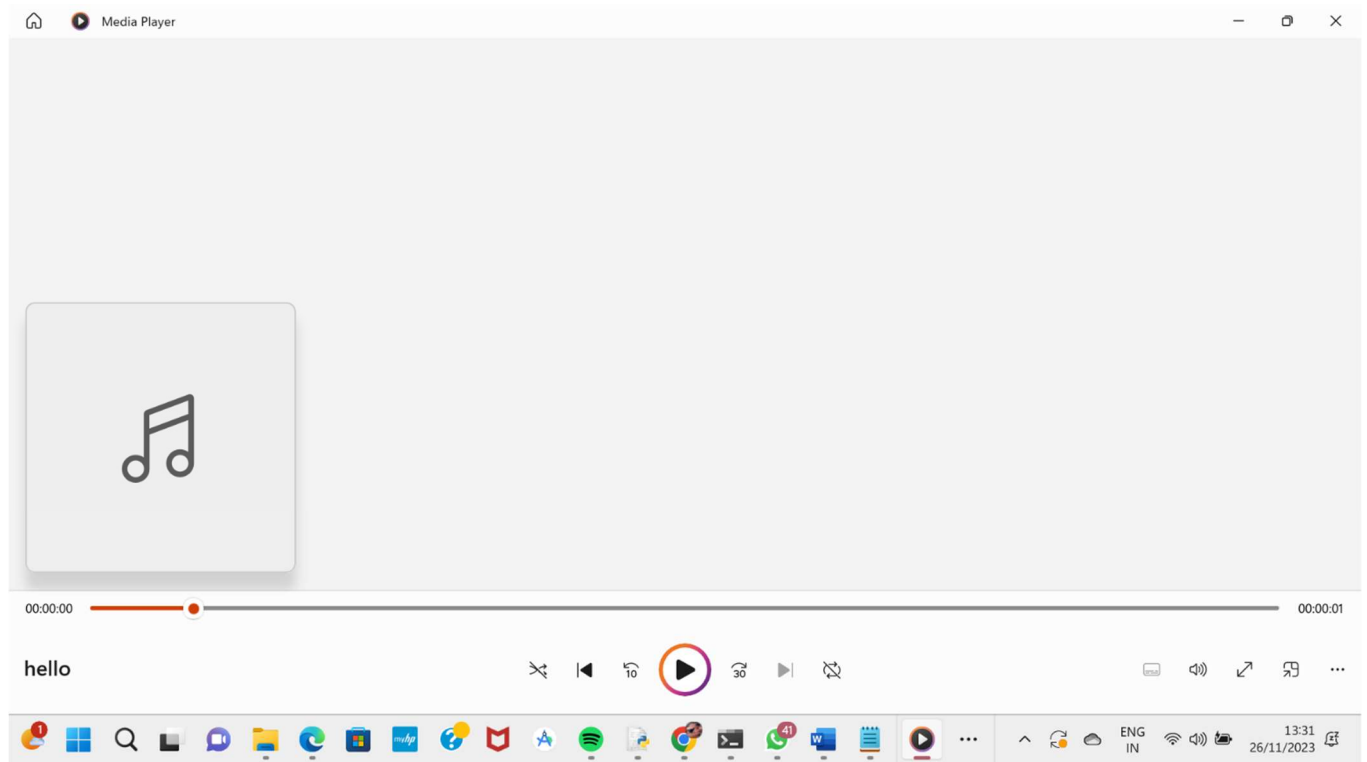


#### SAVED FILE



### 3.1. RESULTS

#### MP3 FILE



## Chapter 4

### Conclusion

The In conclusion, the Text-to-Speech (TTS) project with support for nine different accents—Korean, Chinese, Spanish, Japanese, French, and more—proves to be a versatile and inclusive solution for users worldwide. By incorporating diverse accents, the project enhances the naturalness and authenticity of the generated speech, making it more relatable and accessible to a global audience.

The inclusion of Korean, Chinese, Spanish, Japanese, French, and other accents not only broadens the project's linguistic capabilities but also caters to the cultural diversity of users. This ensures a more personalized and immersive experience, making the TTS system more adaptive and user-friendly.

Furthermore, the ability to download the generated voice as an MP3 file adds a layer of convenience for users who may want to use the synthesized speech in various applications, such as podcasts, videos, or personal projects. This feature allows users to seamlessly integrate the TTS output into their creative endeavors, expanding the utility of the project beyond just text conversion.

In essence, the Text-to-Speech project with diverse accents and downloadable MP3 functionality stands as a testament to the commitment to inclusivity, user experience, and practicality. The project not only breaks language barriers but also empowers users to engage with synthesized speech in a manner that suits their preferences and creative needs

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# Appendix

## Source Code

```
from tkinter import *
from tkinter.ttk import Combobox
from tkinter import filedialog
import pyttsx3
import os

root = Tk()
root.title("Text to speech")
root.geometry("900x450+200+100")
root.resizable(False, False)
root.configure(bg="#8B7D7B")

# Initialize pyttsx3 engine
engine = pyttsx3.init()

# Get available voices
voices = engine.getProperty('voices')

# Function to be called when the Speak button is pressed
def speaknow():
    text = text_area.get(1.0, END)
    selected_voice_index = voice_combobox.current()
    speed = speed_combobox.get()
    volume = volume_scale.get()
    pitch = pitch_scale.get()

    # Set voice properties
    engine.setProperty('voice', voices[selected_voice_index].id)
    engine.setProperty('rate', int(speed))
    engine.setProperty('volume', volume / 100.0)
    engine.setProperty('pitch', pitch / 100.0)

    # Speak the text
    engine.say(text)
    engine.runAndWait()

# Function to be called when the Download button is pressed
# Function to be called when the Download button is pressed
def download():
    text = text_area.get(1.0, END)
    selected_voice_index = voice_combobox.current()
    speed = speed_combobox.get()
    volume = volume_scale.get()
    pitch = pitch_scale.get()
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# Set voice properties
engine.setProperty('voice', voices[selected_voice_index].id)
engine.setProperty('rate', int(speed))
engine.setProperty('volume', volume / 100.0)
engine.setProperty('pitch', pitch / 100.0)

# Ask the user for the file name and location
file_name = filedialog.asksaveasfilename(defaultextension=".mp3", filetypes=[("MP3 files", "*.mp3")])

# Check if the user canceled the file dialog
if not file_name:
    return

# Save the text as an MP3 file
engine.save_to_file(text, file_name)
# Speak the text
#engine.say(text)
engine.runAndWait()

# Icon
image_icon = PhotoImage(file="speak.png")
root.iconphoto(False, image_icon)

# Top frame
Top_frame = Frame(root, bg="#F5F5F5", width=900, height=100)
Top_frame.place(x=0, y=0)

# Labels and Comboboxes
Label(root, text="ACCENTS", font="arial 16 bold", bg="#8B7D7B", fg="white").place(x=540, y=200)

# Text area
text_area = Text(root, font="Palatino ", bg="white", relief=GROOVE, wrap=WORD)
text_area.place(x=15, y=150, width=500, height=250)

# Add voice selection combobox
voice_combobox = Combobox(root, values=[voice.name for voice in voices], font="cambria 15", state='r',
width=20)
voice_combobox.place(x=540, y=240)
voice_combobox.set(voices[0].name)

# Add speed, volume, and pitch controls
Label(root, text="SPEED", font="arial 16 bold", bg="#8B7D7B", fg="white").place(x=540, y=280)
speed_combobox = Combobox(root, values=['50', '150', '200'], font="cambria 15", state='r', width=5)
speed_combobox.place(x=650, y=280)
speed_combobox.set('150')

Label(root, text="VOLUME", font="arial 16 bold", bg="#8B7D7B", fg="white").place(x=540, y=320)
volume_scale = Scale(root, from_=0, to=100, orient=HORIZONTAL, length=100)
volume_scale.place(x=650, y=320)
volume_scale.set(50)

Label(root, text="PITCH", font="arial 16 bold", bg="#8B7D7B", fg="white").place(x=540, y=370)
pitch_scale = Scale(root, from_=0, to=100, orient=HORIZONTAL, length=100)
pitch_scale.place(x=650, y=370)
pitch_scale.set(50)

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# Buttons
image_icon = PhotoImage(file="speak.png")
root.iconphoto(False, image_icon)
speakbtn = Button(root, text="SPEAK", compound=LEFT, image=image_icon, width=130, font="arial 14 bold",
command=speaknow)
speakbtn.place(x=550, y=130)

# Download button
imageicon = PhotoImage(file="download.png")
root.iconphoto(False, image_icon)
savebtn = Button(root, text="SAVE", compound=LEFT, image=imageicon, width=130, bg="#00CDCD",
font="arial 14 bold", command=download)

savebtn.place(x=720, y=130)

root.mainloop()
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