Clone and Perform Inference with Hugging Face Text-to-Speech (TTS) Model

1. Objective

- Learn how to clone a pre-trained Text-to-Speech (TTS) model from Hugging Face.
- Perform inference to convert input text into spoken audio using the cloned model.
- (Optional) Understand the basics of hosting TTS models with Hugging Face Spaces.

2. Problem Statement

- Text-to-Speech (TTS) technology converts written text into natural-sounding speech, enabling applications such as voice assistants, accessibility tools, and multimedia content creation.
- In this exercise, you will clone a pre-trained TTS model from Hugging Face and perform inference to generate audio from text.

3. Inputs / Shared Artifacts

- No starter code or data provided.
- You will clone a publicly available TTS model from Hugging Face (any suitable model, not restricted to fastspeech2-en-ljspeech).
- Use Python and required libraries (transformers, torch, etc).
- Input text for TTS can be any sentence you choose.

4. Expected Outcome

- Successfully clone a pre-trained TTS model from Hugging Face.
- Perform inference to synthesize audio from input text.
- Play or save the generated audio waveform.

5. Concepts Covered

- Model cloning and loading from Hugging Face Hub.
- Using the Transformers TTS interface for audio synthesis.
- Basic audio processing and playback in Python.
- (Optional) Model deployment and hosting on Hugging Face Spaces.

6. Example: Step-by-Step Instructions with Code

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# Step 1: Install required packages (run in terminal or notebook)
# pip install transformers torch IPython
# Step 2: Import required libraries
from transformers import VitsModel, AutoTokenizer
import torch
from IPython.display import Audio
# Step 3: Clone and load the pre-trained TTS model from Hugging Face
model = VitsModel.from pretrained("facebook/mms-tts-vie") # You may replace
this with any compatible TTS model
tokenizer = AutoTokenizer.from pretrained("facebook/mms-tts-vie")
# Step 4: Prepare input text
text = "Xin chào, đây là một ví dụ chuyển văn bản thành giọng nói bằng mô
hình Hugging Face." # Example text in Vietnamese
# Step 5: Tokenize the input text
inputs = tokenizer(text, return tensors="pt")
# Step 6: Perform inference to generate the waveform
with torch.no grad():
   output = model(**inputs).waveform
# Step 7: Play the generated audio in Jupyter Notebook
Audio(output.numpy(), rate=model.config.sampling rate)
# Optional: Save audio to file (requires soundfile)
# import soundfile as sf
# sf.write('output.wav', output.numpy(), model.config.sampling rate)
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7. Final Submission Checklist

- Submit your Python script or notebook containing the full code for cloning and running inference with the TTS model.
- Include sample input text/code in .py file and generated audio file.
- Add comments explaining each step of the code and any challenges faced.