

Probability Software Assignment

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1 INTRODUCTION

Task is to implement a video player with a randomized playlist.

We have few songs as video files. We want to play them randomly such that songs start repeating only after entire playlist is played once.

2 CODE OVERVIEW

2.1 Importing Libraries

We import necessary libraries: vlc, os, sys, numpy, and pynput first.

- vlc library is used to play the videos.
- os is required to get the list of files to be played
- sys library is used to exit the application
- numpy is used to generate random array
- pynput is used to receive input from keyboard

2.2 Initializing Variables

We iterate through all files in the folder and take files with .mp4 extension.

A media object is created for each mp4 file in folder, and a list `media` is created to store media objects for each video file in the specified folder. An instance of `vlc.Instance()` is created to manage the VLC player, and the `player` object is created using the `instance.media_player_new()` method.

2.3 Playing Videos

A randomly ordered numpy array is generated for the videos using numpy's `arange` and `shuffle` functions. The first video from the random order is selected, and the corresponding media object is set as the current media in the player. The player is then played.

2.4 Changing Songs

The `play_next` function is defined to pause the player, pop an item from the random list, and play the song on that index on media list.

If the random list is empty, it creates a new list by shuffling the numpy array again

2.5 Event Handling

The `on_key_press` function is defined to handle keyboard events. If the space key is pressed, the `play_next` function is called to switch to a new video. If the `q` key is pressed, the player is stopped, and the program is exited using `sys.exit()`.

The `video_end_handle` function is defined to handle the `MediaPlayerEndReached` event, which occurs when a video finishes playing. The `play_next` function is called. The event is attached to the player's event manager.

2.6 Keyboard Listener

An instance of the `keyboard.Listener` class is created with the `on_key_press` function. The listener is started to monitor keyboard events.

2.7 Program Execution

The code enters an infinite loop to keep the program running. The loop is required to receive and handle keyboard events and to keep the player running.

3 INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

Install necessary python packages:

```
1 pip install python-vlc
2 pip install pynput
```

Change the path in code to appropriate path for videos

```
folder_path = '/home/vaibhav/Downloads'
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Run the file

```
python3 software_assignment.py
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