CLE SEMINAR SERIES-III

Topic: Acoustic Features based Language Identification Using Single Word Utterances with

Fixed Vocabulary

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Abstract:

Advancement in communication technology is one of the boosting factor to make the world as global

village in the past decade. Communication between people around the world from different social,

economic, cultural, political, and linguistic background is carried out via telephone, email, chat, and

audio/video calls. For effective communication it is required that people should communicate with each

other in a common language understandable to everyone. However, lack of such common language is

one of the main barrier in effective communication between two parties from different linguistic

background. To overcome this issue it is required that communicated content (written or spoken)

should be translated from one language to other. This issue can be addressed using two independent

steps, (1) identification of the language of source content (2) translation of content from source

language to the target language. With the escalated globalization in past decade need of automatic

language identification is becoming more and more evident.

Automatic spoken language identification is the process of identifying language within an utterance

independent of speaker and topic. Just like language identification by human is based on different cues

i.e. location, environment, and other information like familiarity with language, automatic identification

of spoken language is also carried out using set of features extracted from speech signal. Generally

these cues are related to phonetic, phonological, morphological, syntactic and semantic information

extracted from speech signal.

In this seminar we will discuss different techniques used for language identification.