109-2 Research Topics

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Speech Representation

- Build a better representation for tasks involving speech
- Benchmark speech representation in a variety of tasks
- Holy grail: Redefine the principle for all the speech processing tasks
 - One universal representation model + simple downstream model and simple training -> all tasks solved
- Schedule:
 - Read papers to follow up the recent trend on speech representation learning (2-3 weeks)
 - Hands-on: **s3prl** toolkit, built by me and many members in our lab, collaborated with Amazon, FB, CMU, and JHU.
 - Pre-training, probing, fine-tuning
 - The most complete collection for all the speech representations
 - Various downstream tasks: ASR, Speaker verification, diarization, STD, slot filling, intent classification...
 - Contribute to the project if you get an good pull request idea (Welcome to discuss with me.)

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Self-Supervised Speech Pre-training and Representation Learning Toolkit.

https://bit.ly/drive-S3PRL

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Speech Representation

• If you find me suitable for you, please contact Leo with *leo19941227@gmail.com*

Voice Style Transfer

Voice Style Transfer technologies aim at modifying the voice style of utterance(s), including but not limited to: Voice Conversion (VC), Emotional VC, etc.

In the following weeks, you'll be doing:

- Studying some excellent NN-based VC papers as an entry point (3-4 weeks)
- Training and testing few VC models based on open-source projects (1-3 weeks)
- Implementing an one-to-one or any-to-one VC approach (2 weeks up)

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Non-autoregressive Speech Translation

- Speech-to-text translation (S2T): speech recognition (ASR) + machine translation (MT), but recent focus is on end-to-end systems, i.e. directly translate speech into text.
- Non-autoregressive (NAR): when generating text, we typically do it one token at a time (autoregressive). Can we do it faster? All tokens at the same time?
- Roadmap
 - Get familiar with NAR: study some essential NAR papers, which are mostly applied to MT.
 - Study the current trend on NAR applied to S2T (only a few papers)
 - Implementation is to be discussed. We can:
 - Use open-source toolkit like fairseq
 - Or implement one together
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