

Voice Coded Lock

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Introduction and Objective

Hands free, automatic door lock.

Use a spoken password to automatically unlock a door.

Why?

- Entering secure areas with your hands full.
- Forgetting/losing access cards.
- Intended for applications such as labs.



Bolt is retracted and ready for entry





Design

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High Level Requirements

- Accurate keyphrase recognition (>80%).
- Process should take less than 8 sec.
- Automatic operation of door lock.

What changed in our design?

• Microphone input directly to the Raspberry Pi.







Project Build

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Video









Hardware

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User Interface

- Microphone directly connected to Raspberry Pi •
- Buttons active low (debounce included) •
- LED output, common-ground

No requirement since purchased products should function

Control Unit

- ATmega328P microcontroller •
- Active low inputs, logic output for LED
- PWM output for Servo (uses counters)

Requirement: Control inputs/outputs and send PWM signal Verified by video, button inputs, servo and LED outputs function





Mock Door

- Built by Machine Shop
- Controlled by HS-311 Servo

Requirement: Servo must be able to lock/unlock the "door" Verified by video

Power Supply

• Adapter to convert standard wall power into 5V 3A supply

No requirement since purchased product should function





PCB Design

PCB Components

- Microcontroller and Raspberry Pi (headers)
- Input ports for buttons with RC debounce
- Output ports for Servo/LED
- 16MHz Oscillator with Capacitors for ATMEGA





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Speech Recognition Software



Frequency domain information

Probability of being the password

Password or not?





Frequency domain information: MFCCs

MFCCs allow us to capture the phonemes of words by giving frequency domain information over short periods of time.

Standard use in speech recognition, robust to noise and different speakers.

Process:

- Start recording when volume threshold reached
- Savitzky-Golay filter (SNR)
- Remove dead space (variance)
- Take MFCCs



HMMs allow us to solve for $P(X|\Lambda)$.

Given knowledge of a model (Λ), we can solve the probability that our observations (X) were generated by that model.

Knowledge of the model (Λ) includes transition probabilities (A), emission probabilities (B), and initial probabilities (π).

How do we do this?

The forward algorithm:

Define
$$\alpha_i(t) = P(x_1, \dots, x_t, q_t = i | \Lambda).$$

 $\alpha_i(1) = \pi_i * B_i(x_1).$
 $\alpha_j(t) = \sum_i \alpha_i(t-1) * A_{ij} * B_j(x_t).$
 $P(X|\Lambda) = \sum_i \alpha_i(T).$



How do we learn Λ ?

Key idea: model B as a multivariate Gaussian, so $\Lambda = \{A, \mu, \Sigma\}$.

Learn Λ using the Baum-Welch algorithm (MLE for HMMs).

Given training examples for each model:

- Make initial guesses for A, μ , Σ .
- Baum-Welch: forward and backward algorithms, E-step, M-step.
- Repeat with A_{new} , μ_{new} , Σ_{new} until convergence.

$$\gamma_i(t) = P(q_t = i | X, \Lambda) = \frac{\alpha_i(t) * \beta_i(t)}{\sum_i \alpha_i(t) * \beta_i(t)}, \qquad A_{ij} = \frac{\sum_t \xi_t(i,j)}{\sum_j \sum_t \xi_t(i,j)}, \qquad \Sigma_i = \frac{\sum_t \gamma_t(i)(x_t - \mu_i)(x_t - \mu_i)^T}{\sum_t \gamma_t(i)},$$
$$\xi_t(i,j) = P(q_t = i, q_{t+1} = j | X, \Lambda) = \frac{\alpha_i(t) * A_{ij} * B_j(t+1)}{\sum_{i,j} \alpha_i(t) * A_{ij} * B_j(t+1)}, \qquad \mu_i = \frac{\sum_t \gamma_t(i) x_t}{\sum_t \gamma_t(i)}.$$

HMM Graphs: Probabilities of Belonging to Each Group





HMM Graphs: Ratio of Probabilities



Given these probabilities, how should we classify X?

Choosing the model with the higher probability doesn't work well, especially in edge cases.

Use an SVM to place points on either side of a decision boundary.

SVM features:

- Probability of being INV.
- Probability of being OOV.
- Ratio of those two probabilities.



Recorded "hamster" (INV class):

Train: 250	Val: 50	Test: 50
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Recorded random words (OOV class):



LibriSpeech "chunks" (OOV class):

Train: 800	Val: 50	Test: 50

		Ground Truth (spoken word)	
		INV ("Hamster")	OOV (Random)
Classified as	INV	43	4
	OOV	7	96

- Accuracy = **0.927**
- F1 Score = **0.887**

		Ground Truth (spoken word)	
		INV ("Hamster")	OOV (Random)
Classified as (Door action)	INV (Door unlocks)	18	3
	OOV (Door locks)	2	17

- If the door unlocks, what is the probability that the user said the right password?
 - Precision = **0.857**
- If the user says the right password, what is the probability that the door unlocks?
 - Recall = **0.9**
- If the user says a random word, what is the probability that the door locks?
 - Specificity = 0.85
- Accuracy = **0.875**
- F1 Score = **0.878**





Successes and Challenges

Successes

- Designed and implemented working PCB.
- Obtained Experience with microcontroller.
- Keyphrase recognition is accurate (~85%).
- Recognition works fast (~1 second).
- Met all high level requirements.

Challenges

- Lots of unfamiliar tasks.
- Keyphrase recognition has some sensitivity to background noise.





Conclusions

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Project Takeaways

- Always check the data sheets.
- Order components early and know what is needed.
- Disconnect between datasets and real-world.

Future Work

- Feedback from microcontroller to Pi for smarter listening.
- Improve aesthetics of the build design.
- More expansive and representative datasets.
- Speech recognition on a phone app better model and audio quality.



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