Weak Supervision Techniques towards Enhanced ASR Models in Industry-level CRM Systems

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ASR Enhanced CRM Pipeline



- 1. Voice Input Capture: Retail describe customer information
- 2. Speech-to-Text Conversion: Convert speech into text using ASR technology
- 3. Data Extraction and Classification: Extract key customer portrait labels
- 4. Data Integration and Analytics: Integration of fragmented user data
- 5. Decision Support: Personalized customization and recommendations for users
- 6. Iterative Learning and Improvement: Iterative data improvement



Difficulties of ASR Model in Industry

- Lack of industry user data to fine-tune an ASR model
- High cost of manual labeling
- Low recognition accuracy of proper nouns
- Too many voice variations: accent, noise



ASR Problem Definition

- Provide an ASR model suitable for the CRM pipeline, addressing practical challenges to provide accurate transcription into text data.
- The key challenge is the lack of real domain-specific labeled data, in the form of voicetext pairs, for training an accurate ASR model.
- Given a small amount of real audio data $\mathcal{D}_r = \{(\mathbf{x}_i^r, \mathbf{y}_i^r)\}_{i=1}^{N_r}$, \mathbf{x}_i^r is the real audio sample, and \mathbf{y}_i^r is the corresponding text label, with K = {k_1, k_2, ..., k_m} representing the keyword lists. Use a pre-trained large language model M_{LLM} to generate synthetic text labels $\hat{\mathbf{T}} = \{\hat{\mathbf{y}}_j^s\}_{j=1}^{N_s}$.



Weak Supervision ASR

True Labeled Dataset (small)





Synthetic Data Generation (Prompt)

System prompt:

Please refer to the following examples and consider the existing → product information. Take a deep breath and think carefully— → can you provide additional examples? These examples should → closely align with the original samples. For product-related → information, please use the product list we have provided.

User prompt:



Synthetic Data Generation

Dataset	Samples	Duration (seconds, $avg \pm std$)	Audio length (minutes)
GUCCI100	100	8.58 ± 4.07	14.87
LV100	100	8.92 ± 3.39	14.31
Test Set	1000	8.74 ± 3.34	145.46
LVChatTTS	10000	8.81 ± 3.21	1468.98
GUCCIChatTTS	10000	8.98 ± 3.12	1496.14

GUCCI100 & LV100 & Test Set: Raw data in real industry for different use in this project

LVChatTTS & GUCCIChatTTS: Synthetic data generated using method mentioned in this project

Category	Samples	Example
SERIES	408	objets nomades
TYPE	273	装饰品 (decorations)
BRAND	92	balenciaga
MATERIAL	42	empreinte
NICKNAME	42	水桶包 (bucket bag)
LINES	19	monogram
SOCIAL	3	保值 (value preservation)

Statistics of different types of keywords



Experimental Results

Model	CER	CER_cn	CER_oth	WER	WER_cn	WER_oth	
whisper-medium	0.54125	0.50068	0.70524	1.48446	0.98699	0.94388	
medium-GUCCI100	0.38658	0.30772	0.45721	0.85850	0.69	0.36364	
medium-GUCCIChatTTS	0.21169	0.11968	0.38572	1.30250	0.72773	0.73488	
medium-LV100	0.42269	0.34472	0.67785	0.69223	0.47222	0.58127	
medium-LVChatTTS	0.21234	0.14897	0.34662	1.13762	0.70	0.88423	
medium-GUCCCI&LV	0.20007	0.19243	0.22237	0.77381	0.68225	0.73338	CER : Character Error Rate
whisper-large-v2	0.11958	0.06540	0.24480	1.56604	0.58	0.36471	WER: Word Error Rate
v2-GUCCI100	0.12333	0.06677	0.18500	0.70142	0.35	0.35498	
v2-GUCCIChatTTS	0.08795	0.07739	0.14031	0.71664	0.33921	0.44834	
v2-LV100	0.07996	0.05031	0.12779	0.99662	0.44989	0.57324	Lower is better
v2-LVChatTTS	0.07743	0.05552	0.17980	0.83076	0.42877	0.29445	
v2-GUCCCI&LV	0.07390	0.04593	0.13383	0.62264	0.44	0.31461	
whisper-large-v3	0.18793	0.09832	0.22471	1.17422	0.82	0.99314	
v3-GUCCI100	0.14223	0.07774	0.16648	1.22439	0.897	0.88442	
v3-GUCCIChatTTS	0.08732	0.07002	0.09956	1.04436	0.66793	0.98092	
v3-LV100	0.11339	0.11042	0.13398	1.11147	0.87	0.93732	
v3-LVChatTTS	0.11271	0.10887	0.16643	0.90742	0.72	0.80452	
v3-GUCCCI&LV	0.09332	0.07741	0.13346	0.80201	0.69	0.78147	

GUCCI&LV: Use two types of synthetic data to fine-tune the ASR model at the same time



Detailed Analysis

Original Label	Finetuned Model	l Inference Result
苏州人,休闲年轻,时尚,喜欢老花,喜欢 小包,可推荐男装,喜欢宽松款式。	whisper-medium	苏州,休闲年轻时尚,喜欢老化西湖小包,可 推荐男装
	whisper-large-v2	苏州人,休闲,年轻时尚,喜欢老化喜欢小 包,可推荐男装。
	whisper-large-v3	苏州人,休闲年轻时尚,喜欢老花喜欢小包, 可推荐男装装装装装装装装装装装
无锡人、喜欢男款西装裤、偏爱复古一点的	whisper-medium	巫溪人,喜欢男款西装,偏复古一点的风格
风格。	whisper-large-v2	无锡人,喜欢男款,西装,裤,偏爱复古一点 的风格
	whisper-large-v3	无锡人喜欢阿阿阿阿阿阿阿阿阿阿阿阿 i 阿 i 阿 i 阿 i 阿 i 阿 i 阿 i

After fine-tuning, whisper-large-v3 unexpectedly shows worse performance and endless repetition.



Detailed Analysis (Cont.)



CER indicator results after further fine-tuning the three models with 10, 15,20, 30 epoch



Number of remaining data in the two synthetic datasets after filtering with different CER indicators

Finally, we decided to fine-tune for 5 epochs and the CER limit for data filtering was 0.15



Thanks For Listening!

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