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「第十九屆自然語言與語音處理研討會」謹訂於九月六日~七日假國立台灣大學舉行，本屆是由國立台灣大學資工所與本會共同主辦。歡迎踴躍投稿及參加，徵稿啓事請參閱本刊第二頁。

獎助學生出席國際會議

- 會議名稱：ICASSP -2007
- 論文題目：Word Topical Mixture Models for Dynamic Language Model Adaptation
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NTCIR 跨語言中文問答系統比賽

中央研究院資訊科學研究所許聞廉老師所主持的「智慧型代理人實驗室」(IASL)，參加 NTCIR-6 跨語言問答系統比賽(CLQA)，獲得「中中」以及「英中」兩個子項冠軍。

NTCIR 為日本 NII 所主辦的國際會議，與會者多為亞洲資訊處理相關學者，會議目的在促進相關領域技術交流。第一屆會議開始於 1999 年，每年都舉辦多項資訊處理比賽。今年 NTCIR-6 的比賽項目包括「跨語言文件檢索」、「跨語言問答系統」、「專利文件檢索」、「日文問答系統」、「意見分析」、以及「多模趨勢資訊摘要」等六項。其中「跨語言問答系統」又細分為中、英、日三種語言混雜的數個子項目。在「中中」子項中，參賽系統須在指定的新聞語料庫(CIRB2.0)中，找出中文題目的

中文答案；而在「英中」子項中，則必須找出英文題目的中文答案，困難度大幅增加。智慧型代理人實驗室累積多年問答系統開發經驗，於去年獲得「中中」子項冠軍，今年該實驗室再度於「中中」子項以 55.3% 答題正確率奪冠(去年為 44.5%)，同時也以 34% 之正確率(去年之第一名為 12%)獲得了「英中」子項冠軍。

在本次「智慧型代理人實驗室」的比賽系統中，為了提升回傳文章篇數，拉高候選答案召回率(Recall)，特別改進了「答案過濾」以及「答案排序」模組，以便應付召回率提升所引入的其他不相關答案。在「答案過濾」上，除了依據題目類型來過濾答案外，還另外使用了一百多個自動生成的「答案模版」來保留高度相關答案。藉由將多序列並列分析技術(Multiple Sequence Alignment)應用到問答訓練資料文句上，有效地找出適用性廣且準確性高的答案模版。在「答案排序」方面，則是增加了一個新的特徵(feature)：計算候選答案與題目各關鍵字在回傳文句中共同出現程度(co-occurrence)。另外還使用了基因演算法來調整各特徵的權重，以解決人工調整權重的不便以及不確定性。實驗證明，這些新導入的技術除了對「中中」問答有幫助外，對於「英中」問答也有一定的效果。

「智慧型代理人實驗室」表示，到目前為止所使用的技術都還是屬於「淺層」的語言分析技術，這些技術的優點在於實作容易，成本低，通常不需額外的知識或工具，但其成效有先天上的限制。目前的正確率已經達到「淺層」技術之上限，若要有進一步的突破，則必須要轉向應用「深層」的語言分析技術，在語意框架與文句結構上下功夫。2006/11/24



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References:

Fellbaum, Christiane. 1998. WordNet: An electronic lexical database. MIT Press.

Huang, Chu-Ren et al. Eds. To Appear (2007) Ontologies and the Lexicon. Cambridge University Press.

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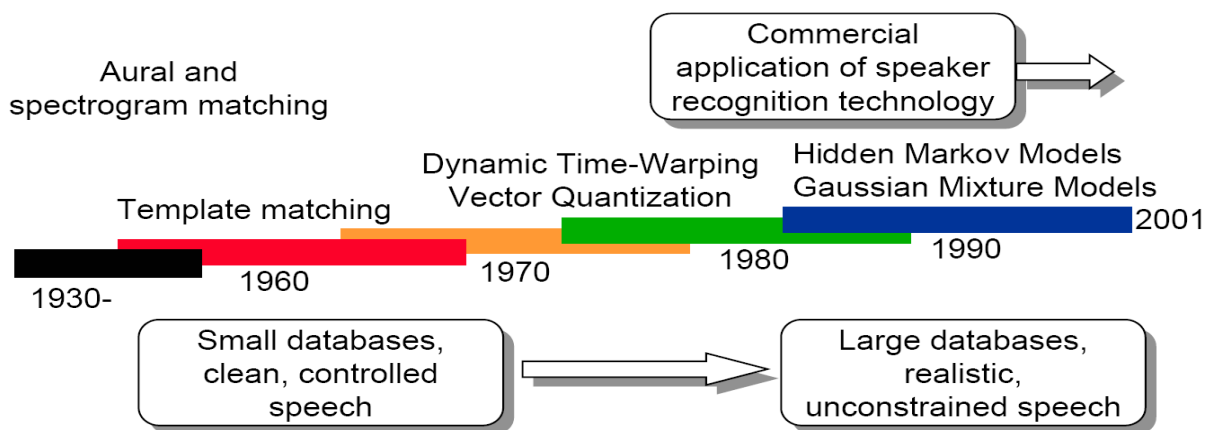
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1. 前言

透過言語傳遞是人類最常用來溝通的方式之一，而語音信號因包含不同層面的豐富資訊以致能讓聽話人足以瞭解所表達之意。隨著數位科技的蓬勃發展以及網際網路和無線通訊的創新普及，使得語音辨識(Speech Recognition)的應用愈來愈廣泛，其中在語者辨識(Speaker Recognition)的應用更是目前生物辨識技術上最具研究潛力的發展方向。

回顧過去幾十年來的研究發展我們可知，語音辨識技術確實已有顯著地進步，從圖一中[1] 看到早期的樣版比對問題在中期推演出 Dynamic Time Warping (DTW)技術，讓獨立詞(Isolated Word)或多個連接詞彙(Connected Words)的辨認問題得以容易地解決，到後期更爲了希望能解決在連續語音辨識任務的問題，CMU 及 IBM 這兩個知名的研究單位都提出了隱藏式馬可夫(Hidden Markov Model, HMM) [2] 方法來解決。而有趣的不只是語音辨識技術到目前已有穩定且不錯的應用效果，當語音辨識技術套用在語者辨識的任務時，我們才發現一樣能有效地將胡亂無章的聲音信號轉換成帶有身份資訊的語者特徵，所以語者辨識的應用可說是有著相同速度的發展。另外我們從圖一亦可發現早期在語者辨識的研究都侷限在少量且安靜環境所錄製的語料庫，通常也都是在朗讀(Reading)及單一時間點(Single Session)的條件下完成，漸漸地隨著語者辨識技術的成熟，開始演變到大量且較近乎現實情況的語料，使得辨識目標不僅要能不限制說話內容(Text-Independent)，還必須考量通道(Channel)變化及說話人身體狀態的差異性。因此以這樣的發展趨勢來看，加速發展語者辨識技術不只是語音信號處理中最重要的分支研究，在未來語者辨識更勢必成爲資訊安全新一代可靠的認證機制。

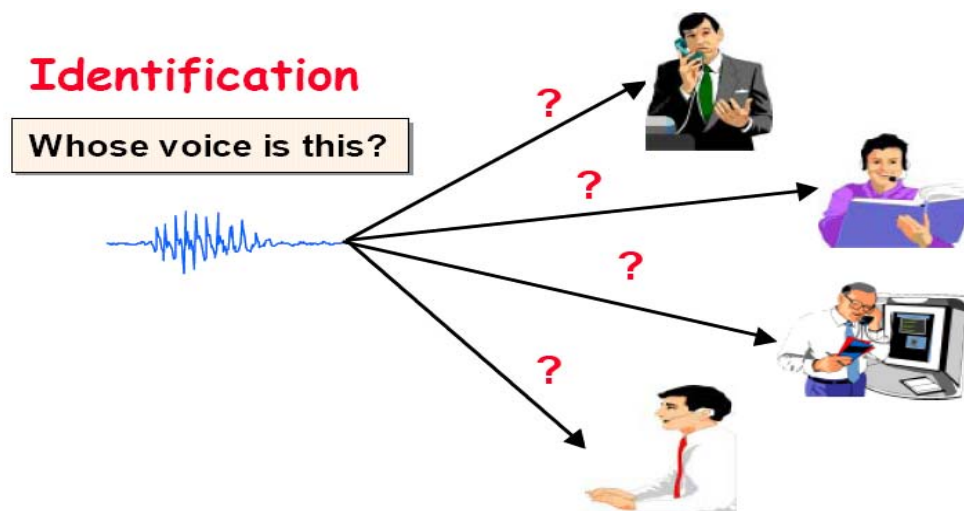


圖一、語者辨識演進圖

在本文章中，我們會先就語者辨識作一簡單介紹，並說明目前語者辨識領域中最主要的架構以及國際間的研究概況。接著我們將描述語者辨識技術於實際應用上所面臨的難題，並介紹當前強健性語者辨識的相關技術。

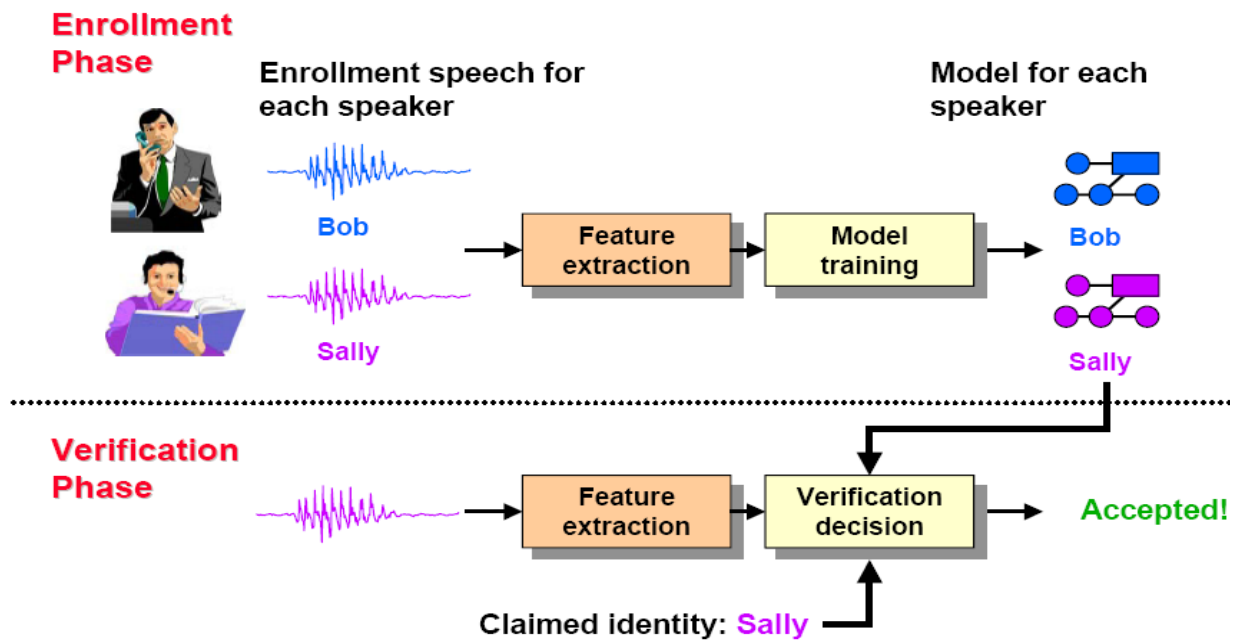
2. 語者辨識

一般來說，語者辨識依據使用目的不同可分為兩大類 [3]：語者識別(Speaker Identification)和語者驗證(Speaker Verification)。語者識別必須事先針對一組已知身份的使用者收集各自的語音資料，並擷取出資料中的語者特徵參數或進一步建立語者模型。當未知身份的測試語音輸入系統時，系統會經由某種聲音相似度計算或是模型比對來決定出說話者的身份，而由於說話者並未宣稱其身份，所以語者識別可謂之為一對多(one to many mapping)的分類處理，另外更廣泛地來說，我們都會假設這個未知身份的測試語音必須來自於已知身份的成員之一，因此語者識別通常也可稱之為封閉集合識別(Closed-set Identification)，如圖二 [1] 所示。



圖二、語者識別示意圖

在語者驗證方面，如圖三 [4] 所示，我們亦可稱為語者認證(Speaker Authentication)或是語者偵測(Speaker Detection)，其主要是用來鑑定說話者宣稱之身份的真實性，且不同於語者識別之處在於系統會先獲知使用者表明的身份，所以這會成為一對一(one to one mapping)的決策問題，也因此判斷錯誤的情況會包含兩種，其一是錯誤接受(False Accept)，即將冒充者(Imposter)誤認為其所宣稱的身份，另外是錯誤拒絕(False Reject)，即誤將真實語者視為冒充者。此外我們通常會假設冒充者是系統中未知的身份，其語音資料幾乎都無法事先取得，因而我們又可稱之為開放集合驗證(Open-set Verification)。



圖三、語者驗證示意圖

3. 相關研究概況

語者辨識在美國 NIST (National Institute of Standards and Technology) 是自從 1996 年起就已經開始舉辦語者辨識評比 (Speaker Recognition Evaluation, SRE) [5]，每年所有參賽單位均使用 NIST 所提供的標準對話電話語料 (Conversational Telephone Speech)，其評比項目共包含單一語者偵測 (1-Speaker Detection)、雙語者偵測 (2-Speaker Detection)、語者分段 (Speaker Segmentation) 以及語者追蹤 (Speaker Tracking) 等。其中單一語者偵測是在判斷這段語音是否為假設語者 (Hypothesized Speaker) 的說話的聲音，其實就相當於語者驗證；雙語者偵測則是必須在一段兩人對話的語音中決定出假設語者是否包含在其中；而語者分段是須先這段語音中各語者的聲音區段找出，進而將這些區段依據語者身份做分群；另外在語者追蹤項目中則是將一段語音中屬於某一個假設語者的區段一一的標示出來。目前在相關期刊包括 IEEE Transaction on SAP、Digital Signal Processing、Speech Communication、JASA、Computer Speech and Language 等與研討會 ICASSP、Interspeech、ICSLP 等論文中大多已採用 NIST 語者辨識評比的語料來進行實驗，因此 NIST SRE 可說是國際公認的語者辨識評比基準 (Benchmark)。

除此之外，由 Linguistic Data Consortium (LDC) [6] 所發行的 YOHO、KING、TIMIT 等亦是常被使用的語料庫，而歐洲語系中由 European Language Resource Association (ELRA) [7] 所發行的 SIVA、POLYCOST、PolyVar 等語料庫也是有人作為語者辨識的研究資源。另外值得一提的是關於漢語的語者辨識評比也在 2006 年首度於中文口語語言處理國際會議舉辦 [8]，評比項目主要是語者識別和語者驗證兩大主題，針對通道不匹配的問題亦有做相當仔細之條件設計。雖然說漢語的評比在歷史發展上遠不及 NIST SRE，但也算是為漢

語研究開啓一道技術交流的大門，畢竟漢語是聲調(Tonal)語言中最具代表的語言，未來發展絕不容忽視。

4. 主流方法概述

語者辨識可分為訓練與測試兩階段的操作模式。在訓練階段主要是擷取使用者之註冊(Enrollment)資料的語者特性，一般會再將此語者特性表示為語者模型，而測試階段則是估測使用者所輸入的語音和系統中語者模型之間的相似性。此外，根據運用層面的不同又可分為特定文本(Text-Dependent)與非特定文本(Text-Independent)兩大類。特定文本中，使用者說話的內容會受限在某些關鍵詞語或文句，且測試時使用者說出的語音內容必須和訓練語料相同，由於系統已知測試語音內容，所以通常會事先建立各語者所屬的音素(Phoneme)模型，以便控制和語者特性無關的聲音變異，目前這類語者辨識運用最常使用的方法是隱藏式馬可夫模型。至於非特定文本則不會語音內容有任何限制，也因此在此任務上會比特定文本較困難些，這類的運用普遍採用高斯混合模型(Gaussian Mixture Model, GMM) [9] 來描述語者在頻譜上特性分佈。

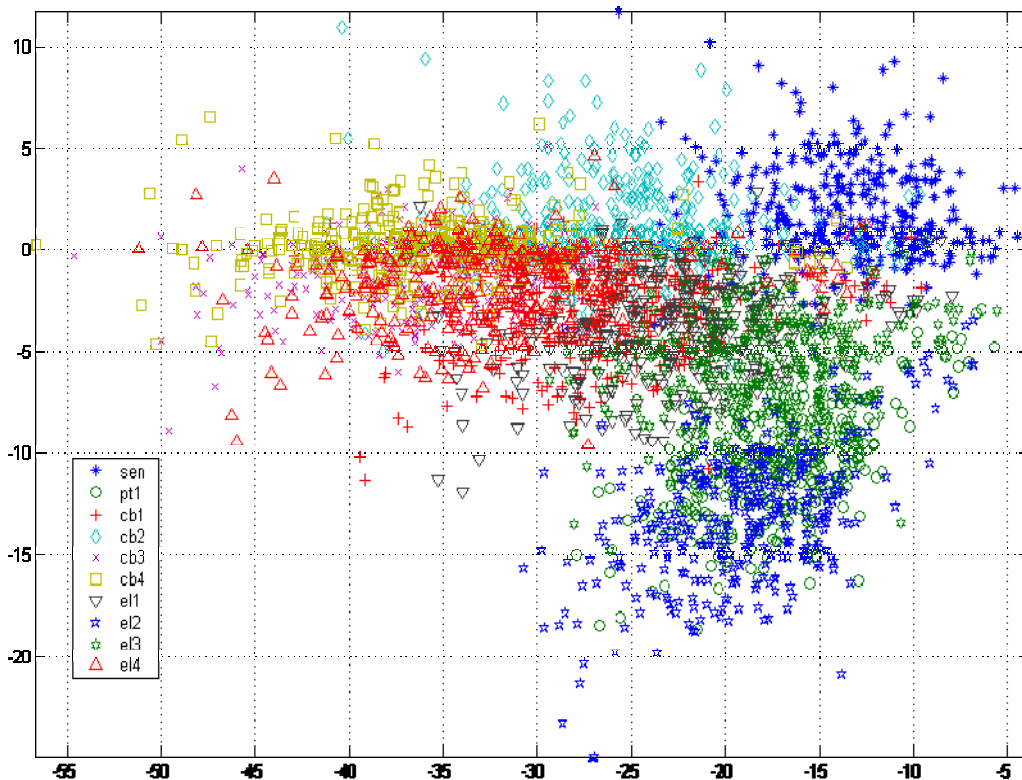
再者考量到一般基於統計模型的語者辨識技術所使用的聲學特徵參數同樣來自於語音辨識，可能面臨因為訓練語料不夠充足而造成辨識效能嚴重衰退的問題，所以目前最主流的解決方式乃採用 Reynolds 等人 [10] 所提出的 GMM-UBM 方法，這是一種基於模型調適的架構，利用具有大量語者資訊的資料庫來訓練一通用背景模型(Universal Background Model, UBM)，此模型可代表一般非特定語者的聲音特性。接者使用者根據各自少量的訓練語料，藉由最大事後機率估算法(Maximum A Posteriori Estimation)將通用背景模型調適成個別語者的特定模型(Speaker Dependent Model)。

5. 不匹配問題

上一章節所提及之主流方法，在語者辨識的應用確實能達到相當不錯效果，尤其是在安靜的測試環境下 [11]，然而這樣的表現是無法滿足現實環境條件的要求，因為語者辨識常在環境不匹配的情況進行，譬如透過電話連接到銀行作身份驗證就是一個現實例子，經由不同電話來源的對話就人類聽覺來說並非問題，但對於自動化的語者辨識系統卻是影響甚大，而此問題將嚴重導致辨識結果大幅滑落，所以這也是無法將語者辨識應用商業化的最大絆腳石。

在不匹配的問題中，主要包含了電話話筒(Handset)、通道(Channel)及說話狀態(Session)等多種影響條件，使得訓練時經由錄音取得的語音特性和測試時有著極大不一致性，我們透過知名 HTIMIT [12] 語料庫的分析會更加明白，圖四是將同一句話經過不同電話話筒所得到的頻譜特徵參數顯示在前兩個維度的分佈情況，在圖中能明顯看出不同的電話話筒造成特徵分佈有相當大的偏移，且在分佈範圍上也有相當大的差異，這樣的結果不僅說明話

筒特性的變異足以改變原有語音的聲學特性，更可知道未知話筒(Unseen Handset)在辨識時絕對是個傷害。因此在接下來幾個章節當中，我們將介紹一些目前常用來減緩不匹配影響的方法，而在此僅針對語者驗證技術方面加以說明，因為這些方法亦可補償在語者識別技術上。



圖四、頻譜特徵參數於不同通道之分佈情形

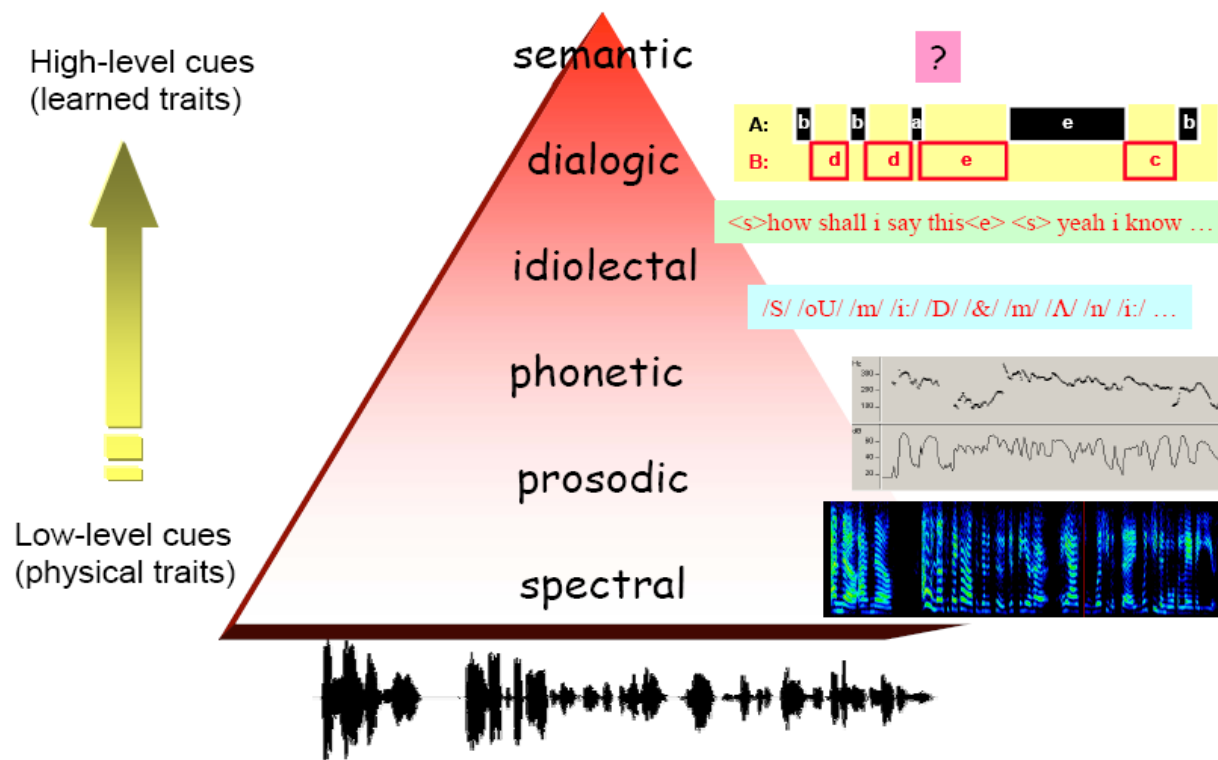
6. 補償方法簡介

以不同層級區分，補償方法大致上可分為三大類，分別為強健性特徵參數(Robust Feature)、特徵參數與模型補償(Model Compensation)及特徵參數與分數正規化(Score Normalization)。底下我們就針對這些補償的方法做介紹。

6.1 強健性特徵參數

至今在語者辨識最有效且常用的特徵參數仍以頻譜(Spectrum)為基礎，因為頻譜足以反映出大多數的語者訊息，但是當頻譜特徵遇上不匹配問題時就無法繼續維持原有的描述能力 [13-15]，所幸頻譜特徵只有表達出最低階層的線索(Cues)，還有更多較高階層的線索尚未被妥善開發 [16]。圖五總和顯示目前語者辨識中適合使用的各種資訊 [1, 17]，最下層即是最具物理特性(Physical Traits)的頻譜特徵參數，愈往上層則是愈有個人特色的學習特性(Learned Traits)參數。雖說頻譜特徵參數容易受到環境變化干擾，但不同語者在頻譜上還

是能呈現其差異，更重要的是它使發聲器官的構造特性得以容易地自動擷取出來。反之，關於學習特性的特徵參數，如語意(Semantics)、用語(Diction)、發音(Pronunciation)等等，則和個人的成長環境、教育程度、家庭經濟等因數有較大的關係，可是儘管這類的特徵最能夠顯現出個人在言語上的特性，卻是相當不容易地自動擷取，因為必須藉助較大量的訓練語料。在 [18] 專題研究計劃中，已特別針對語者辨識開發較高階層的特徵參數，並證實能夠輔助頻譜特徵為基礎的辨識系統。



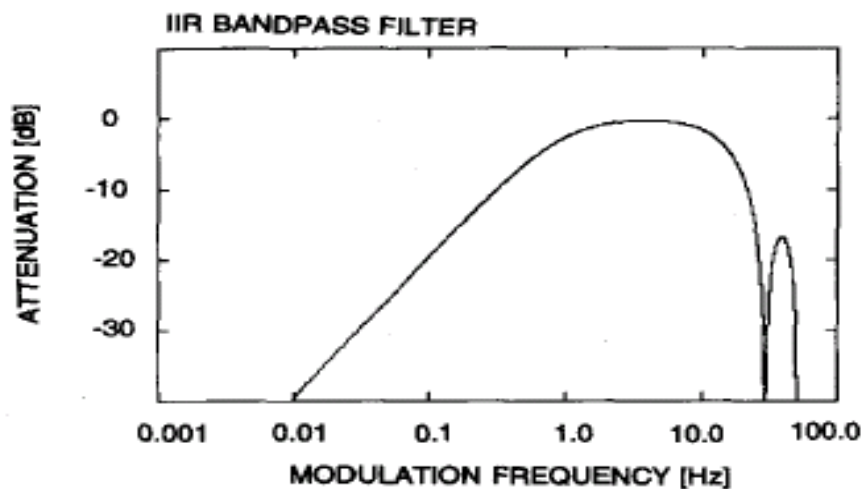
圖五、語者辨識使用資訊層級圖

6.2 特徵參數與分數正規化

在正規化方法中約略可分為特徵參數與模型兩方面，其中特徵參數正規化最有名的莫過於早期由 S. Furui [19] 所提出的 Cepstral Mean Subtraction (CMS)方法，以及後來由 H. Hermansky 提出的 RelAtive SpecTrA(RASTA) filtering and spectral subtraction [20]。CMS 主要是將特徵參數減去其整體平均值(global mean)以消除線性通道效應和部份加乘性雜訊(Additive Noise)的邊際效應(Side Effects)，如下式子：

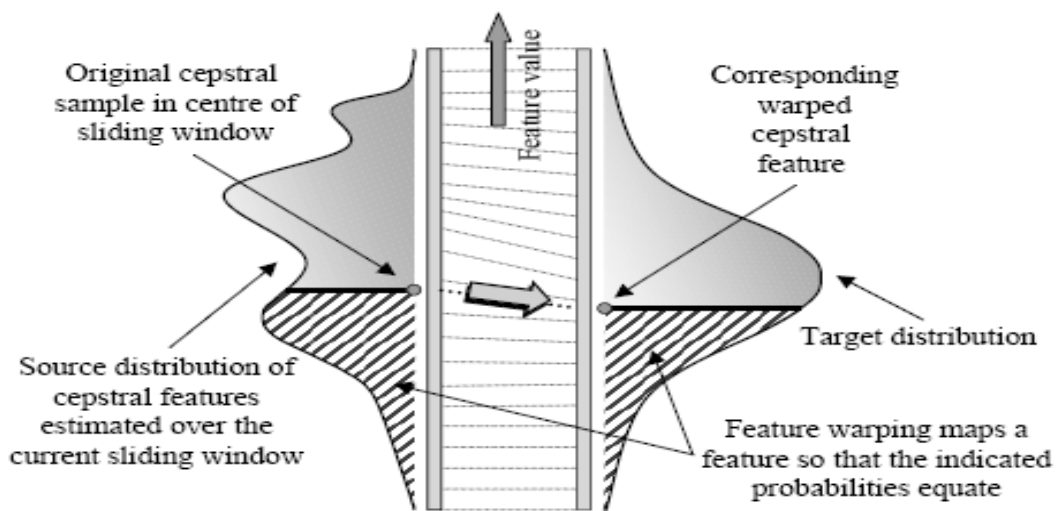
$$\vec{C}_{cms;i} = \vec{C}_{y;i} - \vec{C}_{y;avg} = \vec{C}_{y;i} - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \vec{C}_{y;i} = (\vec{C}_{s;i} + \vec{C}_h) - \vec{C}_h = \vec{C}_{s;i}$$

而 RASTA filtering 方法則是對那些相較於一般語音變化程度過快或是過慢的頻譜成份作抑制，降低加乘性雜訊和捲積性噪音(Convolutional Noise)造成的失真，其使用之濾波器如圖六所示。



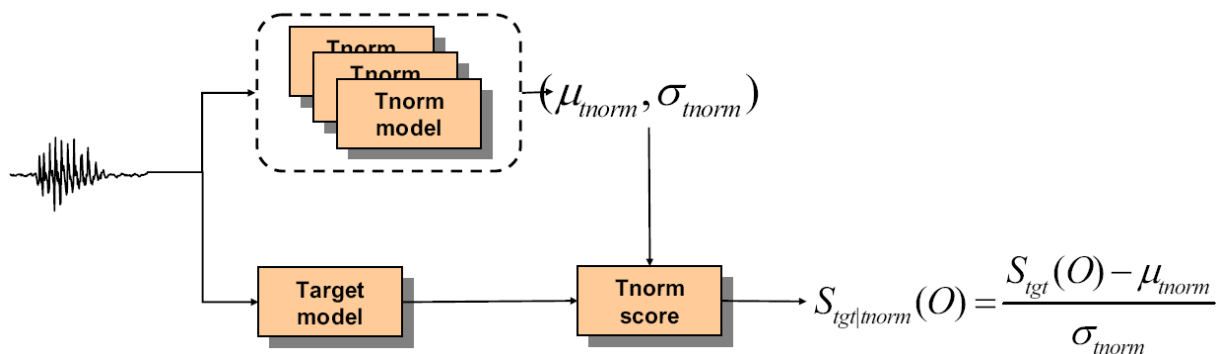
圖六、RASTA filtering 方法之帶通濾波器

近年來關於特徵參數正規化的研究陸續發表，且都一併考慮加乘性雜訊與捲積性噪音的影響，如 O. Viikki [21] 的 Cepstral Mean and Variance Normalization (CMVN)是合併特徵參數分佈範圍的正規化，改善 CMS 在通道效應作線性變化假設的缺失，後來更有 C. -P. Chen [22] 加入 ARMA filtering 使得這系列正規化方法有最完整的分析與進一步的改善。然而這類作法在語者辨識上也很可能破壞原有的語者資訊，因此 Jason Pelecanos [23] 所提出之 Feature Warping 可說是既能保留原先全部的資訊，亦達到對線性通道效應及小幅加乘性雜訊的強健性，如圖七所示。類似這種轉換特徵參數分佈的方法還有 Histogram Equalization (HEQ) [24-26] 和 short-time Gaussianization [27] 等等，而 Yanlu Xie [28, 29]的 Kurtosis Normalization 更加強 Gaussianization 方法的使用，讓語者驗證效果能再有一些進步。



圖七、Warping of features according to a target distribution shape.

另一方面是分數正規化方法，這類方法是對語者驗證所得到的分數作正規化轉換，目的在於強化驗證門檻值(Threshold)之效用，因為根據 GMM-UBM 為架構的語者驗證系統來說，接受與否的處理是利用宣稱語者(Claimed Speaker)模型與通用背景模型所得之相似度比值(Likelihood Ratio)，和此驗證門檻值比較後才做其決策 [10]，且這個驗證門檻值會受到驗證分數的變化影響而難以抉擇，而此驗證分數的變化包含由註冊語料多寡造成語者模型品質上的差異，以及測試環境不匹配。D. A. Reynolds [30] 的 Znorm 方法試圖調整冒充者分數之間的分佈差異，藉由計算目標語者(Target Speaker)和一組冒充者語句的分數，估測其平均值與標準差(Standard Deviation)來正規化目標語者原有的分數。另外 D. A. Reynolds [31] 亦有針對通道差異的問題提出 Hnorm 的改善方法，主要是嘗試移除和語者關聯的尺度與不同通道或麥克風造成的偏移量。然而這兩種分數正規化法所使用的參數都必須透過事先已知的冒充者語句獲得，因此 R. Auckenthaler [32] 的 Tnorm 方法改以在測試時才開始估測其必需的正規化參數，這使得目標語者分數的調整更符合測試時的環境。不過在 D. A. Reynolds [33] 的 ATnorm 仍針對 Tnorm 中固定使用同一組的冒充者模型做了一些改良，採用相似語者(Cohort Speaker)的方式讓每個目標語者都有各自的一組冒充者模型，如下圖八之分數正規化系統。



圖八、System for normalizing score distributions.

6.3 特徵參數與模型補償

相較於前兩大類型的方法，特徵參數與模型補償的研究在文獻上是比較少的。模型補償方面最具代表性的實屬 R. Teunen [34] 所做的 Speaker Model Synthesis (SMS)，主要是學習語者模型參數在不同通道之間的改變情形，並透過各個通道相關(Channel Dependent)的背景模型，將此資訊合成(Synthesize)出沒有訓練語料的通道特性，如此便能讓系統內的模型參數與測試環境的通道特性較為一致。而考慮到每位語者使用的通道特性轉換應有所不同，Wei Wu [35] 修正 SMS 共用背景模型的缺點，使驗證效果改善不少。在特徵參數補償方面則是以 D. A. Reynolds [36] 提出的 Feature Mapping 最具特色，這個方法和模型補償的 SMS 有異曲同工之妙，同樣地藉由觀察特徵參數在通道無關與通道相關這兩種模型間的空間分

佈變化，得到特徵參數的投影函數。而 FU Zhonghua [37] 則合併考慮 Feature Mapping 中不同高斯分佈的影響，讓此方法的構思更完善地呈現。

7. 結語

在這篇文章中，介紹了目前語者辨識的基本作法，並說明當今語者辨識技術所面臨的難題，以及簡介不同層面的補償方法，雖然沒有任何一種方法可以保證完全解決訓練與測試環境不匹配的問題，但對於語者辨識技術確實有不錯的貢獻，倘若這般環境不匹配的困境能克服的話，語者辨識系統進入人類真實生活中的距離就不遠了。

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