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— Summary —

Acoustic-to-articulatory inversion (AAI) estimates the articulation movements by using acoustic speech signals. AAI has been investigated using various approaches for decades. The traditional AAI relies on indirect estimation using articulatory models. However, recent advancements have proposed the use of machine learning models to directly output real-time MRI (rtMRI) movies.

Previous studies on rtMRI movie estimation have identified the lack of preprocessing of input data as a key issue. Additionally, while prior research explored models using LSTM, it is anticipated that implementing a Bidirectional LSTM (BLSTM) could further enhance the smoothness of the estimated rtMRI movie outputs.

In this study, we constructed the model used in previous research with rtMRI movies of Japanese speech and proposed normalization and filtering processes as preprocessing methods. We also investigated the estimation accuracy of a BLSTM model by modifying certain aspects of the existing LSTM model.

— Results —

Three key findings were obtained:

- Applying normalization stabilizes the facial position, enabling more accurate estimations.
- Filtering allows the model to focus on articulators, resulting in high-precision estimations.
- The BLSTM model achieves smooth rtMRI movie estimations even without preprocessing. Based on these findings, we concluded that the preprocessing methods proposed in this study are effective for AAI. Moving forward, we aim to develop an AAI model capable of speaker-independent estimation.

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