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ABSTRACT

In everyday life people are all liable to find themselves in an emergency situation and, more commonly, will require to be alerted to signals that give a warning or indication of action to be taken. The means to access services and equipment to ensure safety and comfort are well known, readily available and usually at little or no cost. Majority of public emergency services are accessed by telephone for example the access to the Fire, Police and Ambulance services by picking up the telephone and dialing 994, 999 etc. However, less-able people such as elderly, disabled, children and lower-educated may not be able to use the services that are available because of disability or find equipment that will ensure personal safety and comfort. Hence, this study aims to propose a speech activated telephone assistance K-Nearest Neighbours. User only needs to give command through voice, and then the system will assist the caller to search the telephone directory and dial the required phone number. This can fasten the dialing as the user no need search or recall the number. The system include three main module namely, Speech Features Extraction Module; that extracts the speech features, Speech Recognition Module; that classifies spoken word (“Fire”, “Ambulance” and “Police”) and Automated Dialing; that searches and dials the number that matched with the spoken word.
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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

This chapter briefly explains the background of the study that mainly involves the integration between K-Nearest Neighbours (KNN), Speech Feature Extraction to help user which needs to give command through voice, and then the system will assist the caller to search the telephone directory and dial the required phone number. The problem statement, objectives, significance of the project and scopes will also be introduced.

1.1 Background

Speech recognition (SR) has developed very rapidly over the last ten years. This has largely been the result of advances in computer processing power combined with correspondingly rapid advances in speech recognition algorithms. As computer processing power increased and became more widely available and less costly, the
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