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cROVER: Context-augmented Speech Recognizer based on Multi-Decoders' Output

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Abstract :

Most researchers agree that one of the most promising approaches for the problem of reducing the Word Error Rate (WER) in large vocabulary speech transcription, is to combine two or more speech recognizers and then generate a new output, in the expectation that it provides a lower error rate. The research work proposed here aims at enhancing and boosting even further the performance of the well-known Recognizer Output Voting Error Reduction (ROVER) combination technique. This is done through its integration with an error filtering approach. The proposed system is referred to as cROVER, for context-augmented ROVER. The error detection technique consists of spotting semantic outliers in a given decoder's transcription output. Due to the fact that most error detection techniques suffer from a high false positive rate, we propose to combine the error filtering techniques to compensate for the poor performance of each of the individual error classifiers.

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