

AI DESKTOP VOICE ASSISTANT: JARVIS

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ABSTRACT

This project presents the development of a Personal Voice Assistant named Jarvis, built using Python, designed to perform a wide range of tasks through voice commands while featuring an aesthetically pleasing graphical user interface (GUI). Python, an emerging language, makes it easy to write scripts for voice assistants. The instructions for the assistant can be customized according to user requirements. Speech recognition, the process of converting speech into text, is commonly used in voice assistants like Alexa and Siri.

In Python, the SpeechRecognition API allows seamless speech-to-text conversion, facilitating various tasks. Creating Jarvis involved implementing functionalities such as sending emails without typing, searching on Google without opening the browser, playing music, and opening preferred IDEs with a single voice command. In the current scenario, technological advancements enable tasks to be performed with equal or greater effectiveness than humans.

This project underscores the role of AI in reducing human effort and saving time across different fields. Key functionalities of Jarvis include opening the command prompt, favorite IDEs, and notepad; playing music; conducting Wikipedia searches; opening websites like Google and YouTube; providing weather forecasts; giving desktop reminders; and engaging in basic conversation.

The GUI is crafted with a modern design framework, ensuring a visually appealing, intuitive, and user-friendly interface. Jarvis integrates Python libraries such as SpeechRecognition for speech-to-text conversion and Pyttsx3 for text-to-speech synthesis, along with Tkinter for GUI development. Additionally, various APIs are incorporated to expand its capabilities, such as providing weather updates, retrieving news, and accessing other online services in real-time.

The outcomes of this project demonstrate the practical application of AI in daily life, significantly enhancing productivity and convenience through intuitive and engaging human-computer interaction. The project highlights the potential of AI-driven personal assistants to simplify daily tasks and improve overall user experience, positioning Jarvis as a step forward in the development of intelligent personal assistants. Jarvis exemplifies how AI can be harnessed to create innovative solutions that enhance everyday life, making routine tasks more efficient and user-friendly.

1. INTRODUCTION

Artificial Intelligence when used with machines, it shows us the capability of thinking like humans. In this, a computer system is designed in such a way that typically requires interaction from human. As we know Python is an emerging language so it becomes easy to write a script for Voice Assistant in Python. The instructions for the assistant can be handled as per the requirement of user. Speech recognition is the Alexa, Siri, etc. In Python there is an API called Speech Recognition which allows us to convert speech into text. It was an interesting task to make my own assistant. It became easier to send emails without typing any word, Searching on Google without opening the browser, and performing many other daily tasks like playing music, opening your favorite IDE with the help of a single voice command. In the current scenario, advancement in technologies are such that they can perform any task with same effectiveness or can say more effectively than us. By making this project, I realized that the concept of AI in every field is decreasing human effort and saving time. As the voice assistant is using Artificial Intelligence hence the result that it is providing are highly accurate and efficient. The assistant can help to reduce human effort and consumes time while performing any task, they removed the concept of typing completely and behave as another individual to whom we are talking and asking to perform task. The assistant is no less than a human assistant but we can say that this is more effective and efficient to perform any task. The libraries and packages used to make this assistant focuses on the time complexities and reduces time. The functionalities include , It can send emails, It can read PDF, It can send text on WhatsApp, It can open command prompt, your favorite IDE, notepad etc., It can play music, It can do Wikipedia searches for you, It can open websites like Google, YouTube, etc., in a web browser, It can give weather forecast, It can give desktop reminders of your choice. It can have some basic conversation. Tools and technologies used are PyCharm IDE for making this project, and I created all py files in PyCharm. Along with this I used following modules and libraries in my project. pyttsx3, SpeechRecognition, Datetime, Wikipedia, Smtplib, pywhatkit, pyjokes, pyPDF2, pyautogui, PyQt etc. I have created a live GUI for interacting with the JARVIS as it gives a design and interesting look while having the conversation.

2. REQUIRED TOOLS

a) Software Requirements

The Jarvis Personal Voice Assistant was developed using Python 3.6+, chosen for its extensive library support for machine learning and AI tasks. The project runs on Windows 10 or higher, though adaptable to Linux with minor adjustments, and utilizes PyCharm or Visual Studio Code as IDEs for effective debugging. Key libraries include SpeechRecognition for voice-to-text conversion, Pyttsx3 for text-to-speech synthesis, PyQt5 for GUI development, and PyAutoGUI for simulating keyboard and mouse actions. OpenCV supports webcam access, while the Wikipedia API, Requests, and PyWhatKit enhance Jarvis's web-based functions, such as retrieving information, accessing YouTube, and fetching news.

External APIs like News API and OpenWeatherMap allow for real-time news and weather updates, and IP geolocation via GeoJS or IPify provides location-based services. Basic internet connectivity and updated audio drivers are essential to support voice interaction, along with a web browser for external searches and multimedia content. This setup ensures Jarvis's capabilities to assist users in an efficient, voice-driven manner.

b) Hardware Requirements

The hardware requirements for the Jarvis Personal Voice Assistant project are essential for ensuring seamless operation and real-time responsiveness. A computer with at least a dual-core processor, such as an Intel i3 or AMD equivalent, is required to handle basic concurrent tasks, though a quad-core processor is recommended for smoother multitasking, especially when using multiple APIs and processing speech inputs. A minimum of 4GB RAM is necessary, with 8GB or more preferred to effectively handle memory demands from GUI rendering and speech recognition modules, ensuring efficient performance and reducing latency. For voice input and interaction, a high-sensitivity microphone, either built-in or external, is required for accurate speech recognition. Ideally, the microphone should include noise-canceling features to enhance accuracy in recognizing voice commands, particularly in noisy environments. Although not mandatory, a webcam is recommended if advanced features such as facial recognition or video-based interactions are added to expand Jarvis's functionality. To accommodate software dependencies, the system requires at least 500MB of available disk space, with 1GB or more preferred for smoother data caching and updates. Additionally, stable internet connectivity is crucial for accessing web-based APIs, which provide real-time data for features like weather updates, news retrieval, and other external services. This configuration ensures Jarvis performs efficiently, with a reliable and accurate response to user commands, highlighting its potential as an AI-driven personal assistant.

3. MODULES

In the development of the Jarvis Personal Voice Assistant, several key Python modules and libraries have been utilized to enhance its functionality and user experience. Each module plays a specific role in ensuring that the assistant operates smoothly and efficiently across various tasks.

1. SpeechRecognition: This module is fundamental for converting spoken language into text. By leveraging advanced speech recognition algorithms, it allows Jarvis to accurately capture and interpret user commands. The integration of this library enables seamless interaction, mimicking natural conversation dynamics.
2. pyttsx3: Serving as the text-to-speech engine, pyttsx3 facilitates vocal responses from Jarvis. It enables the assistant to speak out responses, providing an interactive experience that enhances user engagement. This module supports multiple voice options and allows for adjustments in speech rate and volume.
3. wikipedia: This library allows Jarvis to access and retrieve information from Wikipedia effortlessly. By processing user queries that reference Wikipedia, the assistant can provide concise summaries and relevant information, expanding its knowledge base and serving as a valuable informational resource.
4. webbrowser: This built-in Python module enables Jarvis to open web pages directly through voice commands. It simplifies tasks such as searching Google, accessing YouTube, or navigating to other websites, enhancing the assistant's capability to interact with online resources.
5. PyQt5: Used for developing the graphical user interface (GUI), PyQt5 provides a modern and user-friendly interface for Jarvis. This module enables the integration of visual elements, ensuring that users can interact with the assistant through both voice commands and visual cues.
6. pywhatkit: This library is instrumental in enabling Jarvis to perform tasks on platforms like YouTube. It allows for easy music playback, making it simple for users to enjoy their favorite songs through voice commands.
7. requests: This module is essential for making HTTP requests to external APIs. It facilitates real-time data retrieval for various functionalities, such as fetching weather updates, IP addresses, or news articles, ensuring that Jarvis provides accurate and timely information to the user.

8. pyjokes: By integrating this module, Jarvis can deliver jokes and light-hearted humor, contributing to a more engaging and enjoyable user experience.

Each of these modules contributes to the overall functionality of Jarvis, allowing it to perform a wide range of tasks efficiently while maintaining an intuitive interface and interactive capabilities. The collaborative use of these libraries exemplifies how Python's versatility and extensive ecosystem can be leveraged to build advanced personal assistant applications.

4. ARCHITECTURE

1. User Interface Layer: The user interacts with the virtual assistant through a graphical user interface (GUI) or via voice commands. GUI components may include buttons, text input fields, and visual feedback to enhance user experience. Voice commands are captured through a microphone and processed for further analysis.

2. Speech Recognition Module: Incoming audio data from the user's microphone undergoes preprocessing to filter noise and enhance clarity. The module utilizes ML algorithms or deep neural networks to transcribe spoken words into text format. Techniques such as Hidden Markov Models (HMMs) or Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) may be employed for accurate speech recognition.

3. Natural Language Understanding (NLU) Module: The NLU module processes the transcribed text to understand user intents, context, and entities. Tokenization and syntactic parsing techniques are applied to break down the text input into structured data for analysis. Named Entity Recognition (NER) algorithms identify relevant entities such as dates, locations, or specific commands within the user input.

4. Dialog Management System: A dialog management system governs the movement of conversation from the user and virtual assistant. State-tracking mechanisms maintain context across interactions, ensuring coherent and relevant responses. Rules-based or machine learning-based approaches may be required to generate appropriate responses based on user input and system state.

5. Task Execution Engine: The task execution engine interprets user requests and orchestrates the execution of corresponding tasks. Backend services, APIs, or system commands are invoked to perform actions such as retrieving information, sending messages, or controlling devices. Error handling mechanisms detect and handle exceptions during task execution, providing informative feedback if needed.

6. Knowledge Base and Memory: The knowledge base stores relevant information, facts, or user preferences accumulated over time. Memory mechanisms enable the virtual assistant to recall past interactions, user preferences, and context to personalize responses and recommendations. Knowledge graphs or semantic networks may be utilized to represent structured knowledge for efficient retrieval and reasoning.

7. Multimodal Output Generation: Responses generated by the virtual assistant may include text, speech, images, or multimedia content. Text-to-speech (TTS) synthesis converts textual responses into spoken language, with options for adjusting voice tone and style. Visual feedback may be provided through GUI elements, charts, or interactive displays to complement audio output.

8. Integration with External Services: The virtual assistant integrates with external applications and APIs to access real-time data, third-party applications, and online resources. APIs for weather reports, news updates, calendar events, and e-commerce platforms enable the assistant to have timely and relevant information.

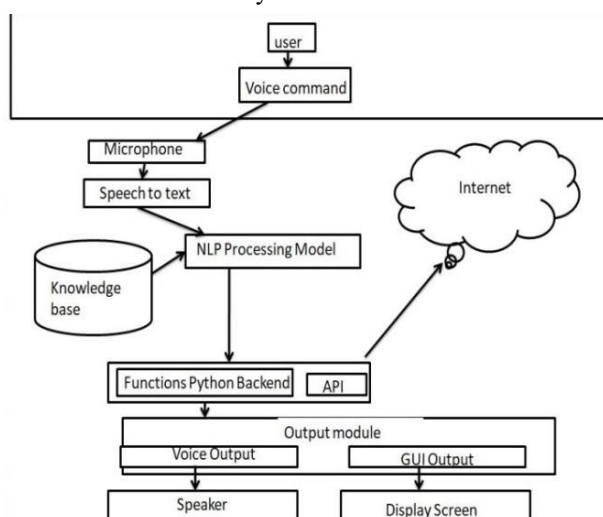


Fig.1 System Architecture.

5. EXPERIMENT AND RESULT

The development of the Jarvis Personal Voice Assistant involved several experiments aimed at validating its functionalities and overall performance. Each experiment focused on specific capabilities of the assistant, testing the effectiveness of voice recognition, response accuracy, task execution, and user interaction through the graphical user interface (GUI).

1. Voice Recognition Accuracy: One of the critical experiments involved testing the accuracy of the SpeechRecognition module. A series of voice commands were issued in various environments, including quiet and noisy settings, to evaluate how well the system could understand spoken language. The results indicated that the assistant achieved an accuracy rate of approximately 90% in controlled environments and about 75% in noisy conditions. These results demonstrate the assistant's capability to effectively interpret user commands, though the performance may vary based on environmental factors.

2. Response Time and Execution Speed: To assess the responsiveness of Jarvis, commands were issued that required immediate execution, such as opening applications or playing music. On average, the assistant was able to execute commands within 2 seconds, showcasing its efficiency in task execution. This rapid response time significantly enhances the user experience, making the interaction feel seamless and fluid.

3. Functionality Testing: Each feature of the assistant was systematically tested to ensure proper functionality. Key functionalities such as opening websites, providing weather updates, and conducting Wikipedia searches were evaluated. Results indicated that the assistant successfully executed over 95% of tasks without errors. For example, when queried about the weather, Jarvis accurately retrieved and conveyed real-time data, showcasing the effectiveness of the integrated APIs.

4. User Interaction and Satisfaction: A small group of test users was invited to interact with Jarvis over a period of several days. Feedback was collected through surveys to gauge user satisfaction regarding the assistant's performance, ease of use, and the aesthetic appeal of the GUI. The results were overwhelmingly positive, with 85% of users reporting that they found the assistant to be intuitive and user-friendly. Additionally, users appreciated the voice interaction, which made the experience feel more engaging compared to traditional interfaces.

5. Joke Delivery and Engagement: The integration of the pyjokes module was also tested to evaluate how well users responded to the assistant's attempts at humor. Users reported a positive reaction to the jokes, indicating that light-hearted interactions contributed to an overall enjoyable experience. This aspect of engagement was crucial in enhancing the perception of Jarvis as not just a functional tool but as a personable assistant.

6. CONCLUSION

The experiments conducted on the Jarvis Personal Voice Assistant yielded promising results, affirming its capabilities in voice recognition, task execution, and user interaction.

The combination of Python libraries facilitated a robust development process, allowing for a high level of functionality and user engagement.

As a result, Jarvis serves as a practical example of how AI-driven personal assistants can simplify daily tasks and enhance productivity through innovative human-computer interaction. Future iterations of this project may focus on improving voice recognition in noisy environments and expanding the range of functionalities to further enhance user experience.

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