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Engineering Paralinguistics:
And Next ... the Transparent Speaker?

Recently, an increasing number of speaker states and traits is adressed in research on automatic speaker classification. Examples comprise personality traits, likability, height, and intoxication of a person derived from characteristics of the voice and the spoken content. This talk aims to provide an overview on the dominant methodology used, benchmark accuracies reached as manifested by research Challenges the speaker held, and concludes with recent trends in the field and new avenues to overcome data sparseness and unreliability.

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