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– Master Thesis –  
**Machine Learning Algorithms for  
Attack Detection on Speaker Recognition Systems**

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**Motivation & Goal**

Speaker recognition systems are already used for security relevant applications, e.g. telephone banking. Replay attacks, in particular unit-selection, pose a major threat to the performance of speaker recognition systems. For the specific attack with unit-selection Text-To-Speech-systems (TTS), speech samples of the attacked subject are captured, segmented into parts, called units, and replayed in different sequence to the Speaker Identification and Verification (SIV) system.

Current research provides multiple features for unit-selection detection. Goal of this thesis is to employ multiple machine learning algorithms analyzing different features in order to determine the performance of combinations of feature and machine learning algorithm.

**Tasks**

- Literature research for features utilized for unit-selection detection
- Train machine learning algorithms on different features
- Evaluate the performance of different machine learning algorithms on different features

**Requirements**

- Interest in biometrics/speaker recognition
- Basic knowledge in machine learning algorithms
- Programming skills (Matlab, Julia, Python)

**By Date**

- Immediately

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