

# What You Read Isn't What You Hear: Linguistic Sensitivity in Deepfake Speech Detection

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## Abstract

Recent advances in text-to-speech technology have enabled highly realistic voice generation, fueling audio-based deepfake attacks such as fraud and impersonation. While audio anti-spoofing systems are critical for detecting such threats, prior research has predominantly focused on acoustic-level perturbations, leaving the impact of linguistic variation largely unexplored. In this paper, we investigate the linguistic sensitivity of both open-source and commercial anti-spoofing detectors by introducing **TAPAS** (*Transcript-to-Audio Perturbation Anti-Spoofing*), a novel framework for transcript-level adversarial attacks. Our extensive evaluation shows that even minor linguistic perturbations can significantly degrade detection accuracy: attack success rates exceed 60% on several open-source detector-voice pairs, and the accuracy of one commercial detector drops from 100% on synthetic audio to just 32%. Through a comprehensive feature attribution analysis, we find that linguistic complexity and model-level audio embedding similarity are key factors contributing to detector vulnerabilities. To illustrate the real-world risks, we replicate a recent Brad Pitt audio deepfake scam and demonstrate that TAPAS can bypass commercial detectors. These findings underscore the need to move beyond purely acoustic defenses and incorporate linguistic variation into the design of robust anti-spoofing systems. Our source code is available at [https://github.com/nqbinh17/audio\\_linguistic\\_adversarial](https://github.com/nqbinh17/audio_linguistic_adversarial).

## 1 Introduction

Recent advances in text-to-speech (TTS) technology have enabled natural speech synthesis in over 7,000 languages (Lux et al., 2024) and high-fidelity audio from just a single sample of a target voice (Chen et al., 2024). However, these innovations have also made it easier for attackers to create deepfake audio for identity fraud, evident in

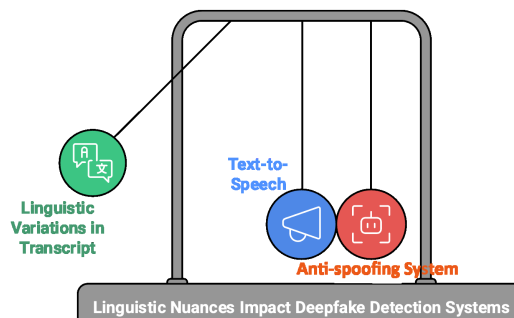


Figure 1: Linguistic variation of the transcript can swing the confidence of audio anti-spoofing system.

a surge by more than 2,000% over the past three years in deepfake fraud (Da Silva, 2024) and the recent notorious case of Brad Pitt impersonation scam of over \$800K (Signicat, 2024).

To counter deepfake audio, audio anti-spoofing systems (AASs) have been developed to distinguish genuine—i.e., human-spoken speech, from spoofed one—i.e., machine-synthesized speech for identity falsification (Jung et al., 2021; Tak et al., 2021; Wu et al., 2024; Tak et al., 2022). However, AAS are known to be vulnerable to *acoustic-level manipulations* such as injection of small noise, volume modification, and even deliberate attacks or often so-called *adversarial manipulations* (Wu et al., 2024, 2020; Müller et al., 2023). Such vulnerability is also analogous to *text-level manipulations* targeting deepfake text detectors where synonym replacement of only a few words or small variations in word choice can significantly alter their detection probabilities (Uchendu et al., 2023). There is another line of work (Zhang et al., 2025) that partially edits utterances in original speech using codec-based speech editing methods. However, the generated speech suffers from stitching artifacts and a mixture of multi-speaker traits that can be recognized by humans.

Since any speech fed into an AAS is either synthesized by TTS or spoken by humans from an

input transcript written in human languages, it is natural to hypothesize that AASs, although only accepting audio inputs, might also be *indirectly influenced by text-level, linguistic manipulations* on the audio transcripts (Fig. 1). However, research questions such as “*whether linguistic variations, such as word choice or dialect, affect anti-spoofing performances of AAS?*” or “*when and how much linguistic variations in transcripts influence the effectiveness of audio anti-spoofing systems?*” are under-explored.

Such questions are also intuitive and relevant to how humans perceive information from auditory speech. Particularly, linguistic differences can influence how human listeners perceive and evaluate speech, sometimes resulting in bias or negative responses (Peters, 2024). Such factors may also potentially introduce vulnerabilities or biases into AASs, especially from adversarial machine learning perspectives when they are often trained on human-curated data. For instance, terms like “illegal” versus “undocumented”, although semantic neighbors, can affect a speaker’s perceived credibility (Lim et al., 2018). If such linguistic sensitivity indeed exists in current AASs, they can be manipulated by malicious actors to carefully craft spoof audio that is much more challenging for AASs to accurately detect as fake.

To examine the linguistic sensitivity of AASs, this work takes an initial step toward evaluating the central hypothesis: *subtle linguistic variations within a transcript can propagate through a text-to-speech (TTS) pipeline and significantly impact the predictions of AASs* (Fig. 1). To this end, we introduce **TAPAS** (Transcript-to-Audio Perturbation Anti-Spoofing), a novel adversarial attack framework. TAPAS formulates the investigation as a scenario wherein a malicious actor strategically introduces minimal perturbations to an audio transcript, while preserving its original meaning, prior to its conversion to audio via a TTS pipeline, with the goal of evading detection by state-of-the-art (SOTA) AASs. Our empirical validation demonstrates that both research and production-grade detectors are significantly vulnerable to such subtle linguistic manipulations, with attack success rates exceeding 60% across both open-source and commercial AASs. Moreover, we show that linguistic nuances correspond to translated acoustic qualities in the spoofed audio, ultimately affecting AASs’ accuracy. **Our contributions** can be summarized as follows.

1. To the best of our knowledge, our work is the first to formulate and examine linguistic sensitivity in automatic audio anti-spoofing systems.
2. We develop TAPAS pipeline to generate semantically valid perturbations and demonstrate how subtle linguistic changes can degrade detection accuracy, in many cases from over 90% to just below 20%, in both open-source and commercial detectors.
3. We perform feature attribution analysis of over 14 linguistic, acoustic, and model-level features and analyze how they correlate with such linguistic vulnerability, offering insights for more robust audio anti-spoofing systems.

## 2 Motivation

### 2.1 Related Work

Most adversarial attack work in audio anti-spoofing focuses on signal or acoustic-level attacks, such as noise injection or frequency masking, to expose vulnerabilities in spoof detection models (Attorelli et al., 2022; Ba et al., 2023). However, little attention has been paid to the role of linguistic variation. As a result, efforts to improve robustness have mainly addressed acoustic distortions and cross-dataset challenges via domain adaptation and knowledge distillation (Arora et al., 2022). In contrast, specific impacts of transcript manipulations, such as what types of text perturbations and what are their effectiveness, remain underexplored in audio anti-spoofing. Whereas text-based adversarial attacks in NLP have demonstrated that small semantic changes can fool classifiers (Jin et al., 2020; Le et al., 2022), it is still unknown how such linguistic perturbations, when indirectly propagated through TTS synthesis (Fig. 1), would affect downstream audio spoofing detection.

### 2.2 Preliminary Analysis

We first carry out a preliminary analysis to examine whether linguistic variations in transcripts might affect the robustness of AASs. To do this, we randomly substitute one word in each of 1439 transcripts with a synonym, synthesized audio for both versions with a TTS model, and test them with the high-performing open-source audio spoofing AASIST-2 detector. Surprisingly, even minimal, one-word changes cause AASIST-2 detector to misclassify up to 5.7% of samples, and bona-fide detection probabilities drop by as much as 67.9% in some cases (Table 1). Moreover, most open-

Transcript	Bona-fide %
She is a <b>successful</b> actor with . . .	3.6 → 80.5
The trust was unable to <b>pay</b> the. . .	3.7 → 34.9
. . . for a <b>man</b> or woman of letters.	3.7 → 50.2

Table 1: A few examples of preliminary transcript-level adversarial attacks on anti-spoofing detector AASIST-2.

source AAS are trained on the ASVSpooF-2019 LA dataset, which displays significant linguistic disparities between spoofed and bona-fide samples (Table A1). Statistical tests confirm that spoofed transcripts are statistically more complex in terms of token perplexity and readability than bona-fide cases (Table 2). Such disparities in training data can introduce linguistic bias into the trained anti-spoofing models. Motivated by these observations, we will then systematically evaluate and quantify what degree AASs are sensitive to small changes in audio’ transcripts through a comprehensive, algorithmic approach.

### 3 Problem Formulation

Let  $\mathcal{F}:X \rightarrow Y$  be an AAS, which maps the audio input  $X$  to the bona-fide label output  $Y$ . Given a set of  $N$  transcripts  $\mathcal{T}=\{T_1, T_2, \dots, T_N\}$  with  $T_i \in \mathbb{R}^M$ , and a TTS model  $\mathcal{G}:T \rightarrow X$ , we synthesize a collection of  $N$  audio  $\mathcal{X}=\{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N\}$  with  $X_i \in \mathbb{R}^L$ , by entering each transcript in  $\mathcal{T}$  to  $\mathcal{G}(\cdot)$ . Moreover,  $\mathcal{Y}=\{Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_N\}$  is the ground truth of  $\mathcal{X}$ , where  $Y_i \rightarrow 0$  indicates a spoofing label, and  $Y_i \rightarrow 1$  means a bona-fide label. In our setting,  $Y_i$  is a spoofing label—i.e.,  $Y_i \leftarrow 0 \ \forall i$ , since  $X_i$  is a machine-synthesized audio.  $M$  is the number of words in a transcript, and  $L$  is the wavelength of an audio.

We define an AAS  $\mathcal{F}(\cdot)$  as **linguistically sensitive to a specific TTS model  $\mathcal{G}(\cdot)$**  if its prediction of audio synthesized via  $\mathcal{G}(\cdot)$  is flipped *solely by making small changes to its underlying transcript while preserving its original semantic meaning*, without modifying the audio synthesis system, the speaker profile, the acoustic characteristics directly. Formally, given a transcript  $T$ ,  $\mathcal{F}(\cdot)$  exhibits linguistic sensitivity to  $\mathcal{G}(\cdot)$  if there exists a *perturbed* transcript  $\tilde{T}$  such that:

$$\text{SIM}(T, \tilde{T}) == 1, \ \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{G}(\tilde{T})) == \tilde{Y}, \text{ and } \tilde{Y} \neq Y, \quad (1)$$

where the boolean indicator  $\text{SIM}(T, \tilde{T})$  ensures the adversarial transcript  $\tilde{T}$  remains faithful to the original meaning or purpose (e.g, intend to transfer money) and also the original structure or syntax of

Metric	$\Delta$	$t$	$p(\text{one-sided})$
Tokens	1.59	30.70	0.0000
Phonemes	6.26	26.86	0.0000
Readability	0.17	2.12	0.0172
Token PPL	27.43	6.46	0.0000
Phoneme PPL	0.00	0.17	0.4345

Table 2: Results of independent two-sample t-tests comparing spoof and bona-fide items on ASVSpooF 2019 training data statistics. PPL is the perplexity.

$T$ , such that the changes are subtle enough that a human cannot easily detect an intent to fool the system.

To systematically find such perturbed  $\tilde{T}$  or to find out if  $\mathcal{F}(\cdot)$  is linguistically sensitive to  $\mathcal{G}(\cdot)$ , therefore, we formulate this task as an optimization problem with an objective function as follows.

#### Objective Function

Given a transcript  $T=\{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_M\}$ , a target AAS  $\mathcal{F}$ , and a TTS model  $\mathcal{G}$ , our goal is to find an alternative transcript  $\tilde{T}$  by *minimally perturbing*  $T$ , or:

$$\tilde{T}^* = \arg \min_{\tilde{T}} \text{distance}(T, \tilde{T}^*) \text{ s.t.}$$

$$\text{SIM}(T, \tilde{T}) == 1, \ \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{G}(\tilde{T})) == \tilde{Y}, \text{ and } \tilde{Y} \neq Y$$

### 4 TAPAS Framework

To solve the introduced optimization problem, we introduce **TAPAS** (Transcript-to-Audio Perturbation Anti-Spoofing), an adversarial transcript perturbation framework that exploits the linguistic sensitivity of the AASs. The overall TAPAS algorithm is formalized in Alg. 1 (Appendix).

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**Step 1: Finding Important Words.** First, we want to measure how sensitive  $\mathcal{F}(\cdot)$ ’s prediction is to each word, allowing us to prioritize perturbations to the most influential locations in the transcript. To do this, given a transcript  $T=\{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_m\}$ , we estimate the impact of each word  $w_i$  on the anti-spoofing prediction (Lines 3-5). For each word position  $i$ , we synthesize audio without  $w_i$  in the transcript and then compute the bona-fide probability  $p_i=\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{G}(T_{\setminus w_i}))$ . Then, we aggregate all masked-transcript candidates  $\mathcal{W}=\{T_{\setminus w_1}, \dots, T_{\setminus w_m}\}$  and sort them by the descending impact scores  $p_i$  (Line 6, Alg. 1).

**Step 2: Greedy Word Perturbations.** Next, the TAPAS algorithm iteratively attempts to find effective word substitutions beginning with the positions with the largest impact, potentially minimizing the number of words needed to perturb. For each candidate position, we use a  $Search(\cdot)$  to propose a set of replacement candidates (Line 9). To search for the replacement  $\tilde{w}_i$  for  $w_i$ ,  $Search(\cdot)$  first finds a list of replacement candidates by utilizing either WordNet to find synonym replacements (Ren et al., 2019), or a Masked Language Model (Devlin et al., 2019) that masks the word  $w_i$  as the token  $[MASK]$  and performs the token predictions (Jin et al., 2020). For each substitution candidate  $c_k$ , we then construct a new transcript  $T'$  by replacing  $w_i$  in  $\tilde{T}$  with  $c_k$  (Line 10). The new transcript is then synthesized into speech using  $\mathcal{G}(T')$  and evaluated by the anti-spoofing model to obtain an updated bona-fide prediction score  $p'$  (Line 11). The best replacement candidate  $c_k$  is one that best maximizes  $p'$  while satisfying all constraints listed in Eq. (3) (Line 12-15, Alg. 1).

**Step 3: Semantic and Syntax Preservation.** We factorize the boolean check  $SIM(T, \tilde{T})$  (Eq. 3) to (1) syntactic and (2) semantic preservation. To check for syntactic preservation, we only accept a replacement  $\tilde{w}_i$  only if its part-of-speech (POS) function in  $\tilde{T}$  preserves that of  $w_i$  in the original transcript  $T$ . To check for semantic preservation, we ensure that the cosine similarity, denoted as  $\cos(\cdot)$ , between semantic vectorized representations of  $T$  and the current  $\tilde{T}$  embed using the popular Universal Sentence Encoder (USE) (Cer et al., 2018), denoted as  $f_{\text{embed}}(\cdot)$ , is at least  $\delta$  threshold:

$$\cos\left(f_{\text{embed}}(T), f_{\text{embed}}(\tilde{T})\right) \geq \delta \quad (2)$$

**Overall,** the TAPAS framework is *model-agnostic* and does *not* require access to internal parameters or gradients of the target AAS, making it applicable in practical black-box settings where we only have query access to the AAS. By leveraging linguistic variability at the transcript level while enforcing functional constraints, the proposed method is able to systematically probe and exploit the linguistic sensitivity of end-to-end audio anti-spoofing detectors.

## 5 Experiments

### 5.1 Set-up

**Datasets.** We evaluate TAPAS on a total of 1,439 test transcripts from the deepfake

speech VoiceWukong dataset (Yan et al., 2024), statistics of which are provided in Table A2. VoiceWukong is constructed based on the English VCTK dataset (Yamagishi et al., 2019) and is released under the Creative Commons Attribution-NonCommercial 4.0 International Public License, with which we comply by using the data exclusively for research purposes. To better reflect real-world attack scenarios, we restrict our evaluation to transcripts having at least 10 tokens.

**Anti-spoofing Detectors.** We use three open-source anti-spoofing models: AASIST-2 (Tak et al., 2022), CLAD (Wu et al., 2024), RawNet-2 (Tak et al., 2021), and two commercially available deepfake speech detection APIs, which will be referred to using pseudonyms API-A and API-B.

Table A4 presents the precision and recall scores for bona-fide and spoof prediction across all models. Notably, AASIST-2 achieves the most balanced and robust detection, with high precision and recalls. In contrast, CLAD and RawNet-2 show comparatively lower and more variable performance. Commercial detectors exhibit much lower bona-fide recall, indicating a tendency to misclassify legitimate speech as spoofed.

**Text-to-Speech Models.** We employ Kokoro TTS, a lightweight high-quality, and community-known model, capable of generating 10K audio in only 832 seconds on an NVIDIA A100 GPU. For voice cloning TTS, we use Coqui TTS (having over 39K stars on GitHub) to replicate the voices of four well-known individuals. Additionally, we evaluate F5 TTS (Chen et al., 2024), a recently proposed SOTA model with best-in-class generation quality. For commercial TTS, we employ OpenAI TTS due to its popularity and low cost.

**Word Perturbation Methods.** We adapt four word perturbation strategies for Step 2 of Alg. 1 and TextAttack framework (Morris et al., 2020), including PWWS (Ren et al., 2019), which swaps words using WordNet; TextFooler (Jin et al., 2020), which substitutes words based on contextual word embeddings while respecting part-of-speech and filtering stop words; BAE (Garg and Ramakrishnan, 2020), which leverages BERT to propose plausible replacements; and BERTAttack (Li et al., 2020), which also uses BERT to generate adversarial substitutions. These strategies cover most of the word perturbation methods in adversarial NLP literature.

**Metrics.** We report the Original Accuracy (OC), Accuracy Under Attack (AUA) of the target AAS



Text-to-Speech	AASIST-2				CLAD				RawNet-2			
	OC↑	AUA↓	ASR↑	COS↑	OC↑	AUA↓	ASR↑	COS↑	OC↑	AUA↓	ASR↑	COS↑
Kokoro (British Male)	95.1%	39.9%	<b>58.1%</b>	90.5%	96.9%	43.9%	54.7%	91.7%	100.0%	98.9%	1.1%	89.5%
Kokoro (British Female)	92.4%	30.4%	<b>67.1%</b>	91.3%	97.7%	62.4%	36.2%	90.4%	92.4%	56.9%	38.4%	90.4%
Kokoro (American Male)	90.4%	37.9%	<b>58.0%</b>	91.1%	83.3%	43.3%	56.6%	91.5%	100.0%	100.0%	0.0%	88.2%
Kokoro (American Female)	92.2%	32.6%	64.6%	91.0%	98.3%	32.6%	66.9%	92.1%	83.2%	20.3%	<b>75.6%</b>	93.3%
Coqui (Donald Trump)	85.5%	25.7%	<b>69.9%</b>	93.2%	98.9%	62.0%	37.3%	92.3%	99.8%	88.4%	11.4%	90.2%
Coqui (Elon Musk)	98.0%	75.9%	22.5%	90.9%	98.4%	62.1%	<b>36.9%</b>	91.1%	100.0%	99.9%	0.1%	89.7%
Coqui (Taylor Swift)	94.4%	17.0%	<b>82.0%</b>	92.9%	95.1%	20.0%	79.0%	92.8%	99.7%	88.2%	11.5%	89.5%
Coqui (Oprah Winfrey)	98.9%	79.0%	<b>20.1%</b>	91.5%	99.7%	99.7%	0.0%	90.5%	95.8%	86.2%	9.9%	91.0%
F5 (Male)	88.5%	33.4%	62.2%	92.8%	93.2%	7.9%	<b>91.6%</b>	94.6%	99.4%	78.0%	21.5%	90.7%

Table 3: Open-source model results. Bold values indicate the TTS-voice pair that is most effective at attacking (ASR) each detector model.

on the synthesized spoof samples. We also measure Attack Success Rate (ASR) or the percentage of spoof audio out of the tested transcripts that were able to flip the original correct spoof predictions of the target AAS detector. We also report the semantic preservation score (COS) calculated via Eq. (2) and standardized to a 0-100% scale. Intuitively, the higher the ASR, the lower AUA, and the higher the COS, the better an attack can preserve the original transcripts’ meaning.

We refer the readers to the Appendix for additional implementation details.

## 5.2 Results

### 5.2.1 Attacking Open-Source Detectors

Table 3 summarizes the average performance of three open-source anti-spoofing detectors: AASIST-2, CLAD, and RawNet-2 under adversarial attacks on synthetic speech generated from a variety of TTS models across four word perturbation strategies (PWWS, TextFooler, BAE, and BERTAttack), totaling 108 experiments.

**Overall Linguistic Sensitivity.** All three detectors show a marked reduction in AUA, suggesting that adversarially perturbed transcripts can noticeably degrade anti-spoofing performance while consistently maintaining high semantic preservation close to or higher than 90%. Consequently, ASR is often substantial, reaching as high as 82%, especially for certain voice profiles.

**Voice Gender Effect.** Overall, female voices exhibit a higher ASR than male voices across both detectors and TTS systems. For example, for Kokoro TTS voices, British Female and American Female identities consistently yield higher ASRs than their male counterparts, often accompanied by sharply lower AUA. This implies that spoof female voices are more prone to become undetected under lin-

guistic adversarial manipulations.

**Notable Exceptions.** Some voice profiles are notably resistant to attack. For instance, Coqui TTS voice for Oprah Winfrey shows almost zero ASR on both CLAD (0.02%), but this phenomenon does not repeat with other detectors. Similarly, the RawNet-2 detector demonstrates strong robustness to some male voice profiles, such as Kokoro TTS (British Male and American Male) and Coqui Elon Musk voice cloning, where the ASR only reaches (1.06% and 0.00%) and 0.14%, respectively, indicating that linguistic sensitivity of an AAS is TTS-specific and *some detector-voice combinations are far less susceptible to transcript-based attacks*. This also validates our AAS-TTS pair linguistic sensitivity formulation in Sec. 3. We later show that these voice-detector combinations have nearly perfect Audio Encoder Similarity (Fig. 2), meaning that audio encoders of the TTS and the detector are more or less encoding similar information.

### 5.2.2 Attacking Commercial Detectors

Table 4 presents the attack results on commercial AASs when paired with both commercial and non-commercial TTS models. To conserve API usage and cost, each experiment applies only the strongest attack method identified in prior experiments (TextFooler), and evaluates 100 items that were randomly sampled to maintain the same length distribution as the main test set. For each TTS-detector pair, we attack the voice profile with the highest original accuracy (OC) to demonstrate the lower bound effectiveness in the hardest-case scenario. For OpenAI’s TTS, we choose CLAD which has the highest original accuracy among the open-source models.

For API-A, we observe a substantial drop in detection accuracy under attack when pairing with

	OC $\uparrow$	AUA $\downarrow$	ASR $\uparrow$	COS $\uparrow$
API-A - Coqui	100.0%	98.0%	2.0%	85.7%
API-A - F5	99.0%	70.0%	29.3%	86.2%
API-A - Kokoro	100.0%	74.0%	26.0%	84.1%
API-A - OpenAI	95.0%	32.0%	66.3%	89.3%
API-B - Coqui	100.0%	100.0%	0.0%	87.0%
API-B - F5	100.0%	100.0%	0.0%	87.3%
API-B - Kokoro	100.0%	100.0%	0.0%	80.8%
API-B - OpenAI	100.0%	96.0%	4.0%	86.3%
CLAD - OpenAI	86.0%	4.0%	95.3%	93.4%

Table 4: Commercial Anti-spoofing Detectors Results

most TTS models except Coqui. While its OC is nearly perfect across all voices, adversarial attack reduces AUA to as low as 32% when paired with OpenAI TTS, resulting in a high attack success rate (ASR) of 66.3%. Notably, API-A is vulnerable when tested with realistic, high-quality TTS synthesis. API-B, in contrast, retains perfect detection (AUA = 100%) for Coqui, F5, and Kokoro TTS, and only exhibits a minor decrease (AUA = 96%, ASR = 4%) with OpenAI TTS. However, Table A4 reveals this robustness is partly due to a strong bias toward labeling all samples as spoof, with poor bona-fide recall and moderate spoof precision. For the open-source CLAD model evaluated on OpenAI TTS, adversarial attack drops the accuracy from 86% to just 4%, yielding the highest ASR (95.3%) among all tested scenarios. These findings highlight the concerning vulnerability to linguistic sensitivity of commercial detectors faced when with high-fidelity synthetic speech.

## 6 Feature Analysis

Beyond providing empirical validation on our initial hypothesis that audio anti-spoof detectors are sensitive to small linguistic changes in the audio’ underlying transcripts, this section aims to investigate and analyze *what factors and how much they associate with varying anti-spoofing detectors’ decisions under adversarial attacks generated by TAPAS*. Particularly, we extract **linguistic, acoustic, and model-level features** from 108 open-source attack experiments, utilize logistic regression analysis, and train predictive models to estimate the bona-fide probability of perturbed inputs. Formulations of all features are provided in the Appendix.

### 6.1 Feature Engineering

To understand the impact of adversarial attacks, we investigate how both **linguistic** and **acoustic features** of transcripts and audio shift under attack,

and how these changes may explain the effectiveness of different adversarial examples against anti-spoofing systems.

We first analyze transcript-level shifts in **linguistic features (LF)** as follows:

**LF1. Perturbed Percentage** measures the fraction of modified words in a transcript; higher values indicate more extensive lexical changes. Higher values signal more aggressive attacks.

**LF2. Readability Difference** quantifies the change in reading comprehension difficulty between the original and perturbed transcripts using the Dale-Chall Readability Score. Large readability changes may make adversarial transcript harder to pronounce, possibly exploiting the bias of detectors.

**LF3. Semantic Similarity** assesses the similarity in meaning between the original and perturbed transcripts using Universal Sentence Encoder embeddings, or the COS evaluation metric.

**LF4. Perplexity Difference** measures the change in perplexity between the original and perturbed transcripts. Although it correlates with **LF2** (Readability Difference), perplexity provides a more flexible metric for capturing the unpredictability of the perturbed text.

**LF5. Syntactic Complexity Difference** measures the change in maximum syntactic tree depth between the original and perturbed transcripts. Sudden shifts in syntactic depth can affect pronunciation and prosody, increasing the effectiveness of adversarial modifications.

Given that text-level changes can propagate to measurable differences at the acoustic level, we further investigate how variations in several **acoustic features (AF)** contribute to the performance of anti-spoofing detectors.

**AF1. DTW Distance** utilizes Dynamic Time Warping to measure the alignment cost between the mel spectrograms of the original and perturbed audio. Larger DTW values reveal significant audio deviations, which may affect both perceptual and algorithmic spoofing detection.

**AF2. Duration Difference** captures the difference in audio length. This feature can reveal how biases in audio duration affect detection, as shorter speech is harder to detect.

**AF3. Phoneme Perplexity Difference** measures the corresponding change in phoneme sequence perplexity, calculated via the CharsiuG2P (Zhu et al., 2022) T5-based model. Higher perplexity

	coef	std err	z	P> z
Perturbed Percentage	-0.3507	0.009	-39.31	0.000
$\Delta$ Readability	0.0352	0.007	4.69	0.000
$\Delta$ PPL	0.0758	0.009	8.48	0.000
$\Delta$ Tree Depth	0.0125	0.007	1.76	0.077
$\Delta$ Duration	0.0748	0.008	8.89	0.000
DTW Distance	0.2063	0.008	26.73	0.000
$\Delta$ Phoneme PPL	-0.0112	0.007	-1.54	0.122
$\Delta$ Content Enjoyment	0.0536	0.013	4.18	0.000
$\Delta$ Content Usefulness	0.0679	0.021	3.17	0.001
$\Delta$ Production Complexity	0.0110	0.010	1.12	0.264
$\Delta$ Production Quality	0.0307	0.017	1.82	0.069
Audio Encoder Similarity	-0.9013	0.011	-81.60	0.000
Spoof F1	3.1254	0.159	19.60	0.000
Bona-fide F1	-2.5911	0.159	-16.25	0.000

Table 5: Logistic regression feature analysis for bona-fide detection on adversarial samples.  $\Delta$  is the difference and Semantic Similarity feature is removed due to the high Variance Inflation Factor to avoid multicollinearity.

may signal unnatural or unexpected pronunciation patterns, a possible indicator of adversarial attacks.

**AF4. Aesthetics Difference** measures the shifting aesthetics computed by Meta Audiobox Aesthetics (Tjandra et al., 2025) which includes four automatic quality assessment measures: Content Enjoyment (CE), Content Usefulness (CU), Production Complexity (PC), Production Quality (PQ). Detectors may be vulnerable to adversarial examples that maintain the naturalness and overall quality of generated audio, as high-quality and enjoyable speech is harder to distinguish from genuine audio.

For **model-level features (MF)**, we propose:

**MF1. Audio Encoder Similarity(AES)** metric quantifies how closely synthesized audios of the same voice cluster in the detector’s representation space. A high AES score indicates that the detector perceives all TTS-generated audio for a given voice as acoustically similar, or being able to capture them as originally from the same voice profile, which may enhance robustness against transcript-level adversarial attacks.

**MF2, MF3. Spoof and bona-fide F1.** Additionally, we include spoofed and bona-fide F1 scores (Table A4) as model-level features to analyze how pre-existing biases influence behavior under adversarial attacks. Notably, if these features can predict attack outcomes, they are especially useful because they can be computed **before** any adversarial perturbation, guiding the selection or development of more robust anti-spoofing models.

## 6.2 Analysis Results

Table 5 presents the results of a logistic regression analysis predicting the bona-fide probability for adversarial audio samples using the engineered features.

**Linguistic Features Impact.** Several features display significant associations with the detector’s response to adversarial perturbations with statistical significance. Notably, the proportion of perturbed words in a transcript is negatively correlated with bona-fide detection, indicating that increasing lexical modifications decreases the likelihood that the detector classifies the input as bona-fide. Syntactic complexity differences are less significant, indicating that deep syntactic restructurings are less impactful than surface-level wording and fluency changes. PPL difference and readability difference are both positively correlated with bona-fide probability. The trends in Fig. 2 suggest that when the perturbed transcript exhibits greater linguistic complexity than the original, the adversarial sample is more likely to be classified as bona-fide. This leads to an assumption that the disparities in linguistic features between spoofed and bona-fide training samples (Table A1) might have introduced linguistic vulnerabilities that can be exploited by adversarial attack algorithms.

**Acoustic Features Impact.** The DTW distance between mel-spectrograms and the duration difference indicate that greater spectral or temporal deviations between original and perturbed audio samples are associated with higher bona-fide probabilities (trends in Fig. 2). In contrast, the effect of phoneme perplexity difference is not statistically significant, suggesting that changes in phoneme-level predictability are less associated with variations in acoustic realization, such as spectral and durational differences. The positive correlations observed for Content Enjoyment and Content Usefulness suggest that enhanced emotional and artistic qualities in perturbed audio may increase its likelihood of deceiving anti-spoofing detectors.

**Model-Level Features Impact.** AES provides the strongest predictive signals for susceptibility to adversarial attacks. AES is negatively associated with bona-fide prediction, implying that models that produce highly clustered audio embeddings for a given TTS and voice are less likely to recognize perturbed inputs as bona-fide. Notably, as shown in Fig. 2, when AES approaches 100%, there is a significant reduction in the likelihood of attack success.

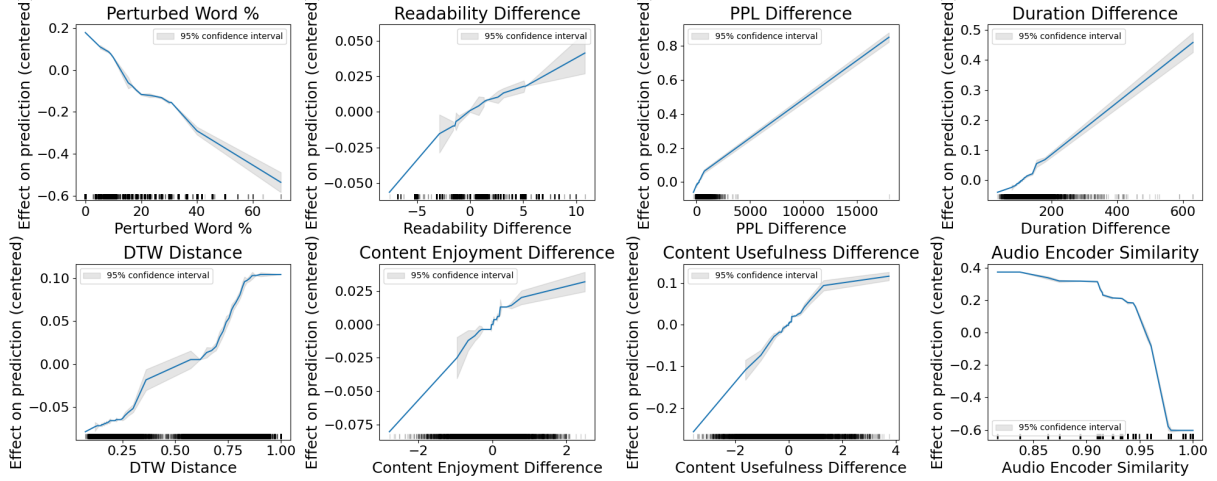


Figure 2: Feature impact on bona-fide probability prediction. A positive effect means the feature increases the likelihood of a perturbed item being classified as bona-fide.

Transcript	Bona-fide
Fraud: Anne, I need to <b>bebecome</b> direct. . . . I need your help <b>immediatelysuccinctly</b> .	0.2 → <b>69.7</b>
Victim: Brad? What is it? You sound serious.	N/A
Fraud: I'm in the <b>hospitalconvalescent</b> . It's serious. <b>KidneyLiver</b> cancer. They <b>needcrucial</b> to . . .	0.2 → <b>62.4</b>
Victim: Cancer? Oh no, Brad, I'm so sorry to hear that. What kind of problem with funds? Don't you?	N/A
Fraud: My accounts are frozen. . . . the <b>courtsjudiciary</b> have tied up everything. . . <b>hospitaloutpatient</b> bill.	0.4 → <b>90.3</b>
Fraud: The doctors need <b>paymentreimbursement</b> now to proceed with this vital step. . . .	0.3 → <b>73.1</b>
Victim: Me? But I... I'm not a millionaire, Brad. How much do they need?	N/A
Fraud: . . . It's 830,000 euros. I <b>knowunderstand</b> it's a huge ask, Anne, but my life could depend on this.	0.7 → <b>58.2</b>
Victim: 830,000 euros?! That's an enormous sum. But how would I even? And where would I send it?	N/A

Table 6: Illustration of how adversarial transcript attacks on Brad Pitt voice cloning scam enable the attacker to significantly undermine a commercial audio anti-spoof detector.

Model	Precision	Recall	F1 Score
Logistic Regression	66.82%	71.54%	69.10%
XGBoost	74.70%	78.39%	76.50%
Random Forest	64.28%	76.88%	70.02%
SVM (poly kernel)	46.83%	97.00%	63.16%
LightGBM	72.98%	77.00%	74.94%
AdaBoost	70.30%	77.82%	73.87%

Table 7: The performances of engineered features in predicting attack outcomes.

Additionally, the original detector F1 scores on bona-fide and spoofed samples have the highest-magnitude coefficients, indicating that initial model bias in spoof discrimination translates directly into vulnerability under adversarial conditions.

Table 7 further shows how predictive models built on our engineered features can effectively approximate the outcomes of the detector’s decisions. Notably, XGBoost achieves an F1 score of up to 76.50%, with several other models performing in the 69% to 74% range. This shows that these models can enable the development of grey-box or black-box adversarial attacks where attacker access to the actual detector is restricted or limited. By

optimizing transcript modifications based on proxy predictions from the predictive models, adversaries can effectively attack audio anti-spoofing systems even without full transparency of the detector, underscoring the urgent need for more robust and resilient defenses.

## 7 Discussion

**Case Study: Deepfake Voice Cloning.** Table 6 presents a simulated case study adapting from the recent, notorious Brad Pitt impersonation scam where TAPAS is used to apply adversarial perturbations to the fraudster’s dialogue generated by ChatGPT and synthesized using the SOTA F5 TTS voice-cloned model. The transcripts illustrate the original and perturbed words, with corresponding bona-fide detection probabilities reported from API-A commercial anti-spoofing detector. In all tested exchanges, the unperturbed fraud utterances are assigned extremely low bona-fide probabilities ( $< 1\%$ ), suggesting effective spoof detection. However, after targeted adversarial perturba-



TTS	Avg Query per Item	Time per Item (s)
Coqui	61.2	32.2
F5	67.1	80.8
Kokoro	58.4	11.4
OpenAI	63.2	84.3

Table 8: The efficiency of adversarial linguistic attack.

tion of key lexical items (e.g., “be”→“become”, “hospital”→“convalescent”), the bona-fide probability rises dramatically, with post-attack scores ranging from 58.2% to as high as 90.3%. Notably, even minimal lexical changes can evade commercial detectors, flipping the label from clear spoof to likely bona-fide. These findings demonstrate the concerning real-world risks of transcript-level adversarial attacks in voice cloning scenarios, highlighting the urgency for developing more robust anti-spoofing mechanisms that can withstand subtle semantic and lexical manipulations.

**Computational Runtime.** The efficiency of TAPAS primarily depends on the speed at which the TTS system can generate audio. Table 8 indicates, for instance, that using Coqui requires an average of 61.2 queries to the model and 32.2 seconds per item to carry out an attack. Given the high-profile nature of these deepfake voice attacks, the time taken to perturb per transcript is both economical (11s-84s) and hence practical for the attackers, emphasizing the urgency of this new line of research to defend netizens from bad actors.

**The Shifts of Classification Threshold.** Our question is whether we can defend the linguistic attacks by simply shifting the threshold? For example, a threshold of 0.5 for classification, samples with scores  $> 0.5$  are labeled as fake, and others are labeled as real. After replacement, fake samples may shift to  $< 0.5$ , or in other words, we can defend by changing the threshold down to 0.4, while still being discriminated from the real distribution. To investigate this, in Table 9, we report an EER of 0.327 between real and original fake datasets, and an EER 0.429 of between real and perturbed fake datasets when replacing fake audio generated by KokoroTTS and the AASIST2 detector, indicating a shift in data distribution. Combining with, in Table 6, our case study demonstrates that the bona-fide probability rises from 0.7% to a minimum of 58.2%, representing a substantial margin. Thus, we believe the practical impact of the shifting classification threshold is minimal.

**Potential Mitigation Strategies.** Our hypothesis

	Median	Q1	Q2	EER	Threshold
Original	-4.31	-7.06	-2.32	0.327	-3.63
Perturbation	-2.48	-4.73	-0.93	0.429	-2.45

Table 9: The shifts of EER threshold under attacks.

Voice Profile	Model	OC	ASR
British Male	AASIST 2	99.37%	36.08%
British Male	RawNet 2	98.75%	47.15%

Table 10: Attack success rate of detectors trained on the linguistically balanced ASVSpooof 2019 dataset.

on why linguistic adversarial works is due to the linguistic imbalance of training datasets. To tackle this hypothesis, we retained audio samples with identical transcripts that appeared in both spoof and bona-fide classes in ASVSpooof 2019, resulting in a reduction of the training set (Table A3) from 25,000 to 4,400 items. The residual perplexity difference after balancing is due to a higher number of spoof than bona-fide samples, despite the transcripts being identical.

We train AASIST2 and RawNet2 from scratch on a linguistically balanced dataset and evaluate the attack success rates after retraining on the balanced data. Table 10 indicates that, even after controlling for linguistic balance, significant vulnerability remains. This further emphasizes the novelty and interestingness of our findings, calling for investigation of linguistic sensitivity beyond simple differences in transcripts’ perplexities.

## 8 Conclusion

This work demonstrates that SOTA audio anti-spoofing systems are vulnerable to transcript-level linguistic nuances. By systematically applying semantic preserving perturbations via the TAPAS pipeline, we show that even subtle linguistic changes can significantly degrade detection accuracy in both open-source and commercial deepfake detectors. Our experiments and feature analyses reveal that these vulnerabilities are driven by both linguistic complexity and characteristics of the model’s learned audio representations. This underscores the need for anti-spoofing systems to consider linguistic variation, not just acoustics. For future work, we plan to further investigate the interplay between model architecture, training data, and linguistic features that contribute to adversarial susceptibility, with the goal of guiding more comprehensive and resilient detection strategies.

## Limitation

One of the limitations of our work is the lack of experimentation on false positive cases, such as those involving non-native speakers who may stutter or use incorrect wording during conversations. These effects can act as natural adversarial attacks on the transcript and potentially reduce bona-fide detection accuracy. Additionally, vocalizations such as laughter, giggling, and chuckling, which may enhance the enjoyment and naturalness of generated audio, are not addressed in this study; these elements could also serve as another modality for transcript-based adversarial attacks.

Our experiments are limited to English-language data, leaving open the question of how linguistic attacks generalize to other languages and multilingual TTS systems. Diverse syntactic and morphological structures in non-English languages may uniquely impact anti-spoofing system robustness, which remains unexplored in this work. Furthermore, although the linguistic perturbations in our experiments are constrained to retain semantic meaning, we do not measure their detectability by humans or plausibility in real conversational contexts. User studies are needed to assess whether such adversarial modified transcripts sound unnatural or prompt suspicion among human listeners.

## Broader Impacts and Potential Risks

By uncovering vulnerabilities related to linguistic perturbations, our findings encourage audio anti-spoofing research to move beyond acoustic analysis and integrate linguistic robustness into system design and evaluation. These insights can directly inform the development of safer, more resilient voice authentication and verification technologies.

Our methodology underscores the importance of adversarial testing and “red teaming” in the responsible development of AI security systems. Such proactive approaches allow the community to identify and mitigate threats before they are exploited in practice, ultimately helping safeguard critical voice-driven infrastructure.

This research is conducted to advance audio security and raise awareness of vulnerabilities in existing anti-spoofing systems. The authors are committed to promoting social good and responsible AI development, with no intention of enabling malicious or unethical applications of these findings. At the same time, we acknowledge that publicly revealing specific attack strategies may lower the

barrier for malicious actors. Nevertheless, we believe that releasing our adversarial techniques and code is essential for reproducibility and for driving further research toward stronger, more robust detection systems.

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	Male Voice		Female Voice	
	Spoof	Bona-fide	Spoof	Bona-fide
$\mathbb{E}[\text{Tokens}]$	7.85	7.08	9.09	6.92
$\mathbb{E}[\text{Phonemes}]$	30.09	27.26	35.56	26.89
$\mathbb{E}[\text{Readability}]$	6.27	6.26	6.89	6.60
$\mathbb{E}[\text{TokenPPL}]$	100.12	96.18	94.58	96.20
$\mathbb{E}[\text{PhonePPL}]$	1.0461	1.0458	1.0460	1.0460

Table A1: ASVSpooof 2019 LA statistics. All values is statistically significant ( $p - \text{value} < 0.001$ ).  $\mathbb{E}[\cdot]$  is the average value of that metric, and PPL is perplexity.

## A Dataset statistics

### A.1 ASVSpooof 2019 statistics

Table A1 summarizes the key linguistic and structural statistics of the ASVSpooof 2019 LA training dataset, segmented by speaker gender (male and female) and ground-truth label (spoof vs. bona-fide). For each group, we report the average number of tokens and phonemes per utterance, the average readability score (which reflects the linguistic complexity of the transcripts), and perplexity values computed at both the token and phoneme levels. Notably, all reported values are statistically significant ( $p\text{-value} < 0.001$ ), suggesting consistent differences between spoof and bona-fide samples across these linguistic features. These statistics provide critical insight into the dataset composition, which may influence both the performance and the generalization capacity of anti-spoofing models during training and evaluation.

### A.2 VoiceWukong dataset statistics

Table A2 presents key statistical features of the VoiceWukong dataset used in our experiments. In addition to average transcript length in tokens and phonemes, we report average readability scores, which provide an estimate of the linguistic complexity of the dataset’s transcripts, as well as token-level and phoneme-level perplexity (PPL), which serve as measures of sequence unpredictability. These features offer a comprehensive overview of the structural and linguistic properties of the evaluation data, and help contextualize the challenges involved for both TTS synthesis and anti-spoofing detection.

### A.3 ASVSpooof 2019 linguistic balance dataset

We keep the intersections between fake and real audios with the same transcripts, resulting a total of 4,400 items as a linguistic balance dataset in Table A3.

Feature	Value
Average Tokens	11.05
Average Phonemes	42.46
Average Readability	7.28
Token PPL	43.86
Phoneme PPL	1.0497

Table A2: VoiceWukong dataset features such as readability and perplexity.

	Spoof Perplexity	Bonafide Perplexity
Before	160.65	133.23
After	128.63	127.13

Table A3: Before and after linguistic balance ASVSpooof 2019 dataset

## B Equations and Results

### B.1 Implementation Details

For open-source detectors, instead of fine-tuning models for each specific TTS-generated voice, we adapt them using batch normalization calibration (Shomron and Weiser, 2020) on a small set that does not overlap the evaluation data, which shifts the mean and variance of the feature distributions to better match those of the current TTS system until detection accuracy exceeds 90%. We argue that retraining on every possible voice is infeasible, given the potentially over 8 billion unique speakers worldwide; however, these voices are likely to share similar statistical properties in their acoustic features.

### B.2 Anti-spoof detection performance on VoiceWukong dataset

Table A4 compares the performance of various anti-spoofing detectors on the VoiceWukong dataset, reporting both precision and recall for bona-fide and spoofed audio. We evaluate two commercial APIs (API-A and API-B) alongside several state-of-the-art open-source models: RawNet-2, CLAD, and AASIST-2. The results reveal considerable variation in performance across different systems. Notably, AASIST-2 achieves the highest and most balanced precision and recall scores for both bona-fide and spoofed classes, suggesting superior generalization capability. In contrast, the commercial detectors—especially API-B—exhibit strong bias, with high spoof recall but low bona-fide recall, indicating a tendency to label most samples as spoofed. These findings highlight the strengths and limitations of existing anti-spoofing solutions on chal-



Detector	Bona-fide		Spoof	
	Precision	Recall	Precision	Recall
API-A	80.9%	63.0%	58.2%	77.5%
API-B	90.0%	28.1%	46.8%	95.3%
RawNet-2	89.1%	63.0%	61.3%	88.3%
CLAD	88.4%	66.7%	63.4%	86.8%
AASIST-2	90.3%	90.9%	86.1%	85.4%

Table A4: Anti-spoof detection performance comparison.

lenging synthetic datasets, and motivate the need for further robustness against linguistic and generative variation.

### B.3 Transcript-level Adversarial Attack Algorithm

Our transcript-level adversarial attack Algorithm 1 identifies the most influential words in a target transcript and greedily substitutes them—using synonym replacement or masked language models—with alternatives that maximize the chance of misclassification by the anti-spoofing system, while ensuring both semantic and syntactic fidelity through embedding similarity and part-of-speech checks. This model-agnostic, black-box framework exploits the linguistic sensitivity of audio anti-spoofing systems without requiring access to internal model parameters, demonstrating the practical risks posed by transcript-level adversarial perturbations.

### B.4 Additional Results

We provide experimental results for AASIST-2 in Table A5, CLAD in Table A6, and Rawnet-2 in Table A7.

### B.5 Linguistic Feature Equations

Equation 3:  $\rho_{\text{perturbed}}$  quantifies the ratio of words that have been perturbed in the transcript.

$$\rho_{\text{perturbed}} = \frac{N_{\text{perturbed}}}{N_{\text{words}}} \quad (3)$$

Equation 4:  $\Delta_{\text{read}}$  measures the change in transcript readability after perturbation.

$$\Delta_{\text{read}} = \text{read}_{\text{perturbed}} - \text{read}_{\text{original}} \quad (4)$$

Equation 5:  $\text{sim}_{\text{semantic}}$  computes the cosine similarity between the semantic embeddings of the perturbed and original transcripts.

$$\text{sim}_{\text{semantic}} = \text{cosine}(\text{Emb}_{\text{perturbed}}, \text{Emb}_{\text{original}}) \quad (5)$$

### Algorithm 1 Adversarial Transcript Generation

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1: Input: A transcript  $T = \{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_m\}$ ,
   the audio anti-spoofing detection  $\mathcal{F}(\cdot)$ , a Text-
   to-Speech model  $\mathcal{G}(\cdot)$ , SearchMethod and
   Constraints
2: Output: Adversarial transcript  $\tilde{T}$ 
3: Identify the impact  $p_i$  of a word  $w_i$ 
4: for  $w_i$  in  $w_1, w_2, \dots, w_m$  do
5:    $p_i \leftarrow \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{G}(T_{\setminus w_i}))$ 
6: end for
7:  $\mathcal{W} \leftarrow \{T_{\setminus w_1}, T_{\setminus w_2}, \dots, T_{\setminus w_m}\}$ , sorted by de-
   scending values of  $p_i$ 
8:  $\tilde{T} \leftarrow T$ ,  $\tilde{p} \leftarrow \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{G}(\tilde{T}))$ 
9: for  $T_{\setminus w_i}$  in  $\mathcal{W}$  do
10:  Candidates  $\leftarrow \text{Search}(T_{\setminus w_i})$ 
11:  for  $c_k$  in Candidates do
12:     $T' \leftarrow \text{Replace } c_k \text{ with } w_i \text{ in } \tilde{T}$ 
13:     $p' \leftarrow \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{G}(T'))$ 
14:    if  $\text{SIM}(T, \tilde{T})$  AND  $p' > \tilde{p}$  then
15:       $\tilde{T} \leftarrow T'$ ,  $\tilde{p} \leftarrow p'$ 
16:    end if
17:  end for
18: end for
19: return  $\tilde{T}$ 

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Equation 6:  $\Delta_{\text{PPL}}$  captures the difference in language model perplexity before and after perturbation, as measured by Llama 3.

$$\Delta_{\text{PPL}} = \text{PPL}_{\text{perturbed}} - \text{PPL}_{\text{original}} \quad (6)$$

Equation 7:  $\Delta_{\text{syntactic}}$  reflects the change in syntactic tree depth between the perturbed and original transcripts.

$$\Delta_{\text{syntactic}} = \text{Depth}_{\text{perturbed}} - \text{Depth}_{\text{original}} \quad (7)$$

### B.6 Acoustic Feature Equations

Equation 8:  $\text{dtw}_{\text{distance}}$  calculates the dynamic time warping (DTW) distance between the mel-spectrograms of the perturbed and original audio.

$$\text{dtw}_{\text{distance}} = \text{DTW}(\text{mel}_{\text{perturbed}}, \text{mel}_{\text{original}}) \quad (8)$$

Equation 9:  $\Delta_{\text{duration}}$  shows the change in duration between the perturbed and original synthesized speech.

$$\Delta_{\text{duration}} = D_{\text{perturbed}} - D_{\text{original}} \quad (9)$$

Equation 10:  $\Delta_{\text{PhonePPL}}$  measures the change in phoneme-level perplexity after transcript perturbation.

$$\Delta_{\text{PhonePPL}} = \frac{\text{PhonePPL}_{\text{perturbed}} - \text{PhonePPL}_{\text{original}}}{\text{PhonePPL}_{\text{original}}} \quad (10)$$

Voice	Method	OC	AUA	ASR	COS
Donald Trump	BAE	85.5	27.3	68.0	93.3
Donald Trump	BertAttack	85.5	21.6	74.7	93.7
Donald Trump	PWWS	85.5	35.7	58.2	94.4
Donald Trump	TextFooler	85.5	18.3	78.6	91.3
Elon Musk	BAE	98.0	78.3	20.1	91.7
Elon Musk	BertAttack	98.0	76.3	21.4	92.3
Elon Musk	PWWS	98.0	79.8	19.1	93.6
Elon Musk	TextFooler	98.0	70.3	28.3	87.5
Oprah Winfrey	BAE	98.9	79.0	20.1	91.8
Oprah Winfrey	BertAttack	98.9	77.1	22.4	92.5
Oprah Winfrey	PWWS	98.9	86.2	12.9	94.1
Oprah Winfrey	TextFooler	98.9	71.9	27.3	88.6
Taylor Swift	BAE	94.4	21.5	77.2	92.7
Taylor Swift	BertAttack	94.4	6.2	93.4	94.2
Taylor Swift	PWWS	94.4	32.9	65.2	93.8
Taylor Swift	TextFooler	94.4	7.5	92.0	91.0
F5 Male	BAE	88.5	32.9	62.8	92.8
F5 Male	BertAttack	88.5	27.4	69.0	93.6
F5 Male	PWWS	88.5	41.5	53.1	94.4
F5 Male	TextFooler	88.5	31.9	64.0	90.3
American Female	BAE	92.2	37.3	59.5	91.7
American Female	BertAttack	92.2	26.9	70.8	92.3
American Female	PWWS	92.2	52.5	43.1	92.6
American Female	TextFooler	92.2	13.9	84.9	87.4
American Male	BAE	90.4	40.3	55.4	92.3
American Male	BertAttack	90.4	35.7	60.5	92.0
American Male	PWWS	90.4	58.6	35.2	93.1
American Male	TextFooler	90.4	17.2	81.0	87.0
British Female	BAE	92.4	39.2	57.6	92.2
British Female	BertAttack	92.4	22.4	75.7	92.1
British Female	PWWS	92.4	47.5	48.5	93.2
British Female	TextFooler	92.4	12.5	86.5	87.8
British Male	BAE	95.1	41.8	56.0	91.5
British Male	BertAttack	95.1	33.8	64.4	91.4
British Male	PWWS	95.1	62.1	34.8	92.3
British Male	TextFooler	95.1	21.9	77.0	86.9

Table A5: Complete experimental results on AASIST-2 detector

Equation 11:  $\Delta_{CE}$ ,  $\Delta_{CU}$ ,  $\Delta_{PC}$ , and  $\Delta_{PQ}$  represent the changes in various audio aesthetics metrics—clarity, continuity, pronunciation correctness, and prosody quality—due to the perturbation.

$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta_{CE} &= CE_{\text{perturbed}} - CE_{\text{original}} \\
\Delta_{CU} &= CU_{\text{perturbed}} - CU_{\text{original}} \\
\Delta_{PC} &= PC_{\text{perturbed}} - PC_{\text{original}} \\
\Delta_{PQ} &= PQ_{\text{perturbed}} - PQ_{\text{original}}
\end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

## B.7 Audio Encoder Similarity Equation

We first extract acoustic embeddings for all original transcripts by the detector. We then compute the centroid embedding by averaging these embeddings and normalizing the result to unit length:

$$\mathbf{c} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{e}_i, \quad \hat{\mathbf{c}} = \frac{\mathbf{c}}{|\mathbf{c}|} \tag{12}$$

where  $\mathbf{e}_i$  denotes the embedding for the  $i$ -th sample and  $N$  is the total number of samples in the group.

Voice	Method	OC	AUA	ASR	COS
Donald Trump	BAE	98.8	63.7	35.6	91.7
Donald Trump	BertAttack	98.8	48.2	51.3	92.1
Donald Trump	PWWS	99.0	74.2	25.1	93.0
Donald Trump	TextFooler	99.0	46.2	53.6	91.7
Elon Musk	BAE	98.5	69.8	29.1	91.9
Elon Musk	BertAttack	98.1	47.5	51.6	91.4
Elon Musk	PWWS	98.5	80.4	18.4	93.7
Elon Musk	TextFooler	98.5	50.7	48.5	87.5
Oprah Winfrey	BAE	99.7	99.7	0.0	91.3
Oprah Winfrey	BertAttack	99.7	99.7	0.0	91.0
Oprah Winfrey	PWWS	99.7	99.7	0.1	93.3
Oprah Winfrey	TextFooler	99.7	99.7	0.0	86.4
Taylor Swift	BAE	95.1	24.3	74.4	92.9
Taylor Swift	BertAttack	95.1	14.4	84.8	93.6
Taylor Swift	PWWS	95.1	34.5	63.7	93.8
Taylor Swift	TextFooler	95.1	6.6	93.1	91.1
F5 Male	BAE	93.2	9.8	89.5	94.5
F5 Male	BertAttack	93.2	2.9	96.9	95.4
F5 Male	PWWS	93.2	16.6	82.2	94.5
F5 Male	TextFooler	93.2	2.1	97.7	93.9
American Female	BAE	98.3	37.9	61.4	92.3
American Female	BertAttack	98.3	27.3	72.2	92.8
American Female	PWWS	98.3	48.0	51.2	93.8
American Female	TextFooler	98.3	17.1	82.6	89.7
American Male	BAE	99.8	64.5	35.4	91.1
American Male	BertAttack	99.8	58.9	41.0	90.9
American Male	PWWS	34.0	0.0	100.0	98.8
American Male	TextFooler	99.8	49.8	50.1	85.2
British Female	BAE	97.7	67.3	31.1	91.1
British Female	BertAttack	97.7	57.8	40.8	91.0
British Female	PWWS	97.7	77.7	20.5	93.4
British Female	TextFooler	97.7	46.6	52.3	86.0
British Male	BAE	96.9	48.4	50.0	92.2
British Male	BertAttack	96.9	39.2	59.5	91.8
British Male	PWWS	96.9	59.1	39.0	93.6
British Male	TextFooler	96.9	28.9	70.2	89.2

Table A6: Complete experimental results on CLAD detector

The Audio Encoder Similarity for the group is then defined as the average cosine similarity between the centroid  $\hat{\mathbf{c}}$  and each sample embedding:

$$AES = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \cos(\hat{\mathbf{e}}_i, \hat{\mathbf{c}}) \tag{13}$$

Voice	Method	OC	AUA	ASR	COS
Donald Trump	BAE	99.8	88.6	11.2	91.2
Donald Trump	BertAttack	99.8	87.5	12.7	89.8
Donald Trump	PWWS	99.8	91.2	8.6	93.0
Donald Trump	TextFooler	99.8	85.3	14.5	86.3
Elon Musk	BAE	100.0	99.9	0.1	90.8
Elon Musk	BertAttack	100.0	99.9	0.1	91.5
Elon Musk	PWWS	100.0	99.9	0.1	93.1
Elon Musk	TextFooler	100.0	99.8	0.2	85.2
Oprah Winfrey	BAE	95.8	86.7	9.4	91.9
Oprah Winfrey	BertAttack	95.8	84.1	12.2	91.4
Oprah Winfrey	PWWS	95.8	90.8	5.2	93.7
Oprah Winfrey	TextFooler	95.8	83.4	12.9	87.0
Taylor Swift	BAE	99.7	93.3	7.4	92.3
Taylor Swift	BertAttack	99.7	82.1	18.3	87.5
Taylor Swift	PWWS	99.7	94.8	4.9	93.2
Taylor Swift	TextFooler	99.7	81.7	18.1	85.8
F5 Male	BAE	99.4	79.1	20.5	91.3
F5 Male	BertAttack	99.4	69.3	30.3	91.3
F5 Male	PWWS	99.4	86.0	13.6	93.6
F5 Male	TextFooler	99.4	77.7	21.9	86.3
American Female	BAE	83.2	21.9	73.7	93.9
American Female	BertAttack	83.2	16.1	80.6	94.1
American Female	PWWS	83.2	36.1	56.7	94.4
American Female	TextFooler	83.2	7.0	91.6	90.7
American Male	BAE	100.0	100.0	0.0	88.6
American Male	BertAttack	100.0	100.0	0.0	90.6
American Male	PWWS	100.0	100.0	0.0	92.9
American Male	TextFooler	100.0	100.0	0.0	83.5
British Female	BAE	92.4	62.2	32.7	91.8
British Female	BertAttack	92.4	45.4	50.9	91.0
British Female	PWWS	92.4	75.0	18.7	93.2
British Female	TextFooler	92.4	45.1	51.2	85.7
British Male	BAE	100.0	99.4	0.6	90.6
British Male	BertAttack	100.0	96.8	3.2	90.1
British Male	PWWS	100.0	99.9	0.1	92.9
British Male	TextFooler	100.0	99.6	0.4	84.5

Table A7: Complete experimental results on Rawnet-2 detector