

PHONESPOOF: A NEW DATASET FOR SPOOFING ATTACK DETECTION IN TELEPHONE CHANNEL

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ABSTRACT

The results of spoofing detection systems proposed during ASVspoof Challenges 2015 and 2017 confirmed the perspective in detection of unforeseen spoofing trials in microphone channel. However, telephone channel presents much more challenging conditions for spoofing detection, due to limited bandwidth, various coding standards and channel effects. Research on the topic has thus far only made use of program codecs and other telephone channel emulations. Such emulations does not quite match the real telephone spoofing attacks. In order to asses spoofing detection methods in real scenario we present the PHONESPOOF dataset - spoofing data collected through realistic telephone channels. The PHONESPOOF data collection represents most threatening types of spoofing attacks and is publicly available dataset¹. This work² aimed to investigate robustness of the state-of-the-art deep learning based antispoofing systems under telephone spoofing attacks conditions based on the PHONESPOOF data. Moreover newly collected dataset makes it possible to analyze language dependency issue for the Anti-Spoofing methods. In the work we also focused on the development of a unified LCNN-based approach for spoofing attack detection. The goal was to train a single system able to detect various types of spoofing attacks in telephone channel. The obtained results approve the effectiveness of such solution.

Index Terms: spoofing, speaker verification, telephone channel

1. INTRODUCTION

Automatic Speaker Verification (ASV) has grown into a reliable, convenient and low-cost approach for person authentication. However, similar to other biometric modalities, it remains vulnerable to spoofing or presentation attacks [1].

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During these attacks a fraudster aims to gain the illegal access to the secure information or system by impersonating the enrolled person. This can be done by using voice conversion and speech synthesis technologies like from [2] or by replaying a prerecorded sample [3], [4]. The first competitive evaluation related to voice spoofing detection was Automatic Speaker Verification Spoofing and Countermeasures (ASVspoof) Challenge in 2015. It aimed to support the investigation of the methods for detecting speech synthesis and voice conversion in microphone channel. Recent researches achieved extremely high spoofing detection performance on the challenge corpus with an equal error rate (EER) close to zero [5]. The second ASVspoof Challenge in 2017 dealt with replay attack detection. Results of the challenge reconfirmed the impressive perspective in detection of unforeseen spoofing trials based on replay techniques produced in microphone channel.

ASVspoof initiative has significantly pushed forward the development of spoofing detection methods for ASV systems in microphone channel. However, ASV systems in telephone channel robust to spoofing attacks are also in high demand, due to the different applications on the mass market that can use it for access control, for example in telephone-banking. Bandwidth, packet-losses, different GSM codecs and other channel distortions, cause much more challenging conditions for the spoofing detection in the telephone channel.

Several papers deal with the impact of additive noise and channel variation on spoofing detection performance [6], [7], and underline its significant degradation in case of additive distortions. The limitations of these investigations are: 1) they only exploit simulated data, while the real conditions can be even worse and vary greatly; 2) speech synthesis and voice conversion detection are considered separately from replay attacks detection, while in real life no prior information is available about the type of faced attack. Additional limitation we payed attention to was language dependency. All experiments performed so far considered genuine and spoofing trials only on english language datasets, but non of them

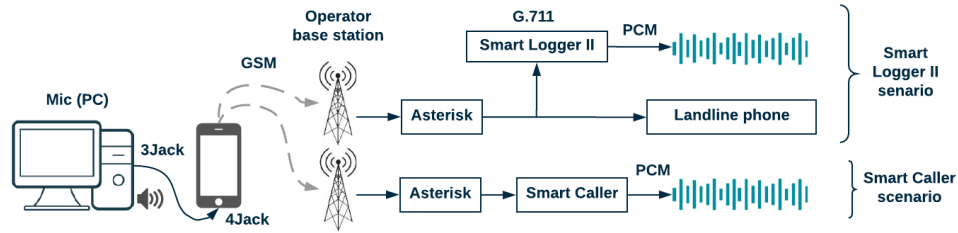


Fig. 1. Recording scheme used for recording the database in the telephone channel

estimate the performance in the cross language scenario and mixed language data.

Our experiments show that systems trained on the simulated data cannot detect spoofing attacks in the real telephone channel. Because of that current research is mainly focused on the database collection that overcomes mentioned limitations. The appropriate database in real telephone channel was collected on the base of ASVspooft2015 corpus, RSR2015 database and other speech synthesis data, that was generated via resources available online. Using this database a single system was designed able to distinguish diverse spoofing attacks in telephone channel. This system was based on LCNN(Light CNN)-approach presented in our previous research in microphone channel [8], that demonstrated high spoofing detection performance on the ASVspooft2017 corpus.

This paper contains the brief description of the collected database in Section 3 and the description of the experiment results in 4. The results obtained by experiments conducted during this investigation, though promising, confirm the need to consider different recording conditions, due to the great number of factors that can influence the channel.

2. EMULATED TELEPHONE CONDITIONS

Having analyzed the problems raised by noise and channel variations described in [7] we started with the same approach of data simulation and applied it to ASVspooft 2015 and 2017 databases. We considered several approaches for channel simulation: down sampling to 8kHz and software codec G.6.10 [9] with 13kbit/s bitrate to emulate lossy speech compression in cellular telephony without package loss (we will refer to both these emulations as Emulation condition 1 - E1) and STC-H219 [10] sound device for recording analogue signals sent through 2 meters telephone cable (Emulation condition 2 - E2). However, experiments conducted with different telephone channel simulations show that systems trained with one type of emulated data demonstrate low quality on the other emulated and real data. Due to this the new database of spoofing attacks PHONESPOOF was collected.

3. REAL TELEPHONE SPOOFING DATA COLLECTION

The real spoofing database was collected by recording over the telephone channel items from the two datasets of ASVspooft challenges. At present these are the most various publicly available spoofing databases in microphone channel in terms of recording conditions and attack types.

In order to cover a great variety of up-to-date high quality spoofing techniques we also collected subsets of the most popular TTS samples, created by cloud services and available libraries: Google [11], Yandex [12], IBM [13], Lyrebird [14], Zamzar [15], Ispeech [16] and STC [17]. When possible, we generated records for English and Russian language. The datasets were recorded in two different scenarios (Figure 1). The first one used the "Smart Logger II" (Recording scenario 1 - R1) sound system for telephone calls and speech messages registration [18], the second one used the "Smart Caller" (Recording scenario 2 - R2) system of voice notification via telephone lines [19]. In both cases audio signals with spoofing trials were replayed on the computer and transferred to a mobile phone by 3Jack-4Jack cable. At the same time the mobile phone was calling on the line phone connected to the "Smart Logger II" system or to one of the channels of "Smart Caller" system. In both cases these systems recorded the input signal that had gone through all needed channels and codecs, thus obtaining spoofing attack trials in telephone channel. In order to provide recording conditions variability 2 mobile phones (Samsung Galaxy Note II, Xiaomi Redmi 4A) were used with 2 different telecommunications operators. Table 1 presents the amount of collected spoofing trials.

Genuine samples recorded in the described way could not be considered as genuine samples any more and were used as high quality replay attacks. English part of NIST SRE speech dataset was used [20] as a set of real genuine samples. Optionally we used a Russian speech subcorpus RusTelecom to extend the training set. RusTelecom is a Russian speech corpus of telephone data, collected by call-centers. RusTelecom database consists of approximately 4500 sessions. As additional dataset in Russian language we collected 3000 internal calls, recorded according to Recording scenario 1 - CallDB.

Table 1. Total duration of collected spoofing trials in microphone and telephone channels in hours

| | | Microphone channel | Recorded R1 | Recorded R2 |
|----------------------------|-----|--------------------|-------------|-------------|
| ASVspoof2015 _{sp} | eng | 177.1 | 361.6 | 856.6 |
| ASVspoof2015 _g | eng | 160.2 | 51.2 | - |
| iSpeech | eng | 5.47 | - | - |
| IBM | eng | 203.4 | - | 19.9 |
| | rus | 217.0 | - | 15.1 |
| Zamzar | eng | 210.8 | - | - |
| STC | rus | 523.1 | - | 48.4 |
| Yandex | eng | 236.3 | 6.2 | 53.4 |
| | rus | 201.7 | 3.3 | 56.8 |
| Google | eng | 314.8 | 6.6 | 46.0 |
| | rus | 240.6 | 3.3 | 48.7 |
| Lyrebird | eng | 95.9 | - | 1.64 |
| RSR_phrases | eng | 150.7 | - | 29.9 |
| RedDots2015 | eng | 142.8 | - | 30 |

4. EXPERIMENT RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The aim of this work was to investigate the possibility to implement a single system able to detect different types of spoofing attacks. In all further experiments for training we used only data recorded with the use of the original training parts of the datasets, and for evaluation the corresponding evaluation part, so that there was no overlap between training and evaluation sets. For TTS datasets, collected during this work, we used different literary text to produce synthesis. For example, to create a training set by Google TTS in english we used "Jane Eyre" novel, while "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows" was used to create the evaluation set.

Table 2. Experiment results for CQC system [7], EER(%).

| Emulation type | original | 8kHz | 6.10 codec |
|----------------|----------|-------|------------|
| ASVspoof2015 | 2.24 | 45.46 | 46.35 |
| ASVspoof2017 | 49.18 | 50.00 | 49.98 |

As mentioned above, we started our investigation with experiments produced on the emulated data with CQCC based system from [7]. Our results show that such system lacks appropriate quality for replay attacks (Table 2). Therefore we concentrated on deep learning approaches. We considered a system based on LCNN architecture [8] that is illustrated in Figure 2. All experiment results obtained with the use of emulated data confirm that different channel distortions have dramatic impact on the spoofing detection accuracy. This can be seen even for different types of emulation. Table 3 shows results for LCNN system trained on different emulations.

The system trained on the emulated data of ASVspoof 2015, Google and Yandex TTS shows very high quality detection of iSpeech and Zamzar synthesis records in emulated channel. Due to this we concluded that in terms of ability to spoof the ASV system these types of TTS are not critical. In

Table 3. Experiment results, EER(%). *ASVspoof2015_g* and *ASVspoof2015_{sp}* refer to genuine and spoofing parts of the ASVspoof dataset respectively

| Training set | Evaluation set | EER (%) |
|---|---|---------|
| genuine: - NIST - RusTelecom - <i>ASVspoof2015_g</i> E1 spoof: - Google (eng + rus) E1 - Yandex (eng + rus) E1 - <i>ASVspoof2015_{sp}</i> E1 | genuine: - <i>ASVspoof2015_g</i> E2 spoof: - <i>ASVspoof2015_{sp}</i> E2 | 10.98 |
| genuine: - <i>ASVspoof2015_g</i> E2 spoof: - <i>ASVspoof2015_{sp}</i> E2 | genuine: - <i>ASVspoof2015_g</i> E2 spoof: - <i>ASVspoof2015_{sp}</i> E2 | 7.97 |
| | genuine: - NIST - <i>ASVspoof2015_{sp}</i> R1 | 26.85 |
| genuine: - NIST spoof: - <i>ASVspoof2015_{sp}</i> R1 | genuine: - <i>ASVspoof2015_g</i> E2 spoof: - <i>ASVspoof2015_{sp}</i> E2 | 49.90 |

further research we did not consider these types of spoofing in real channel case, assuming to have the same trend. Our current results confirm that it is highly recommended to use data recorded in the same telephone channel that will be used with the implemented system. Results in Table 5 demonstrate the significant improvement in detection of spoofing attacks from ASVspoof2015 on the base recorded in R1 after adding the corresponding subset to the training set.

To estimate the impact of the language dependency we also trained our system with genuine and spoof trials in Russian language. Experiment results show that including Google and Yandex spoofing samples together with genuine subset in the target language to the training set improves detection of these spoofing attacks from 5.52% EER to 0.51% EER (Table 4) on it. Additionally it enhances the performance on the database in the original language used for training. It is highly important to mention that adding samples in a new language only to one class can lead to situation when the system uses language specific features as a spoofing criterion and should be avoided.

The final version of the proposed system was trained with the following datasets: *ASVspoof2015_{sp}*, recorded in both scenarios, Google and Yandex datasets, recorded by Smart Caller, and all available emulations of ASVspoof2015, Google, Yandex, Lyrebird and STC datasets in order to avoid channel overfitting. Results for different types and recording conditions are presented in Table 6. It should be noted that although the EER for each spoofing type are significantly low, the thresholds for each of them differs. Due to this we cannot

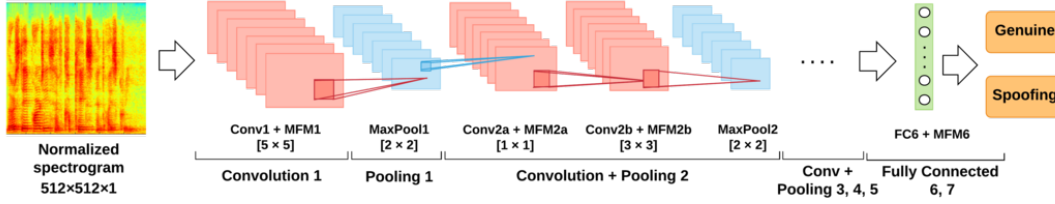


Fig. 2. LCNN architecture

Table 4. Experiment results for different languages

| Training set | Evaluation set | EER (%) |
|--|---|---------|
| genuine: -NIST -ASV spoof _g E1 spoof: -ASV spoof2015 _{sp} E1 -Google (eng) E1 -Yandex(eng) E1 | genuine: -RusTelecom spoof: -Google(rus) E1 -Yandex(rus) E1 | 5.52 |
| | genuine: -NIST spoof: -Google(eng) E1 | 0.03 |
| | genuine: -NIST spoof: -Yandex(eng) E1 | 0.4 |
| genuine: -NIST -ASV spoof2015 _g E1 - RusTelecom spoof: -ASV spoof2015 _{sp} E1 - Google (eng + rus) E1 -Yandex(eng + rus) E1 | genuine: -RusTelecom spoof: -Google(rus) E1 -Yandex(rus) E1 | 0.51 |
| | genuine: -NIST spoof: -Google(eng) E1 | 0.03 |
| | genuine: -NIST spoof: -Yandex(eng) E1 | 0.14 |
| | | |

state that our ultimate goal has been achieved. However, this investigation confirms the high efficiency of deep learning approaches for spoofing detection task in telephone channel and determines the agenda for further research.

5. CONCLUSIONS

In the paper we presented PHONESPOOF data collection - audio spoofing attacks data collected through real telephone channels. Based on the collected data we investigated robustness of the state-of-the-art deep learning based antispoofing systems under telephone spoofing attacks conditions. During the investigations we approved that regular telephone channel emulation does not quite match the realistic telephone spoofing attacks scenario which is highly important for the developing of antispoofing systems suitable for real applications.

Table 5. Experiment results for LCNN based system

| Training set | Evaluation set | EER (%) |
|---|--|---------|
| genuine: -NIST -RusTelecom spoof: -ASV spoof2015 _{sp} R1 -Google R1 (eng + rus) -Yandex R1 (eng + rus) | genuine: -CallDB spoof: -ASV spoof2015 _{sp} R1, R2 | 25 |
| genuine: -NIST -RusTelecom spoof: -ASV spoof2015 _{sp} R1, R2 -Google (eng + rus) R1 -Yandex (eng + rus) R1 | genuine: -CallDB spoof: -ASV spoof2015 _{sp} R1, R2 | 1.93 |
| | genuine: -NIST spoof: -ASV spoof2015 _{sp} R1 | 2.87 |
| | genuine: -NIST spoof: -ASV spoof2015 _{sp} R2 | 0.62 |
| | genuine: -CallDB spoof: -ASV spoof2015 _{sp} R1 | 4.96 |
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Table 6. Experiment results for different spoofing types, EER(%)

| ASVspoof2015 R1 | | | | ASVspoof2015 R2 | | | |
|-----------------|------|-----------|------|-----------------|------|-----------|--|
| TTS | | VC | | TTS | | VC | |
| 2.74 | | 3.00 | | 0.97 | | 1.27 | |
| Google R2 | | Yandex R2 | | IBM R2 | | Replay R2 | |
| Eng | Rus | Eng | Rus | Eng | Rus | | |
| 1.88 | 0.86 | 0.20 | 1.49 | 2.45 | 3.16 | 1.77 | |

We tested a single unified system, based on the LCNN approach, for the ability to detect different types of spoofing attacks like voice conversion, speech synthesis and replay. We also addressed to the language dependency issue and found out that adding target language to the training set enhance spoofing detection performance on this language. Our experiments conducted on the PHONESPOOF data confirmed effectiveness of deep learning frameworks for solving the considered task and highlight several points that should be taken into account in future work.

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