

SocialBit: Quantifying Social Interaction of Stroke Patients

Dominick Reilly, Video and Image Analysis Lab



HARVARD
MEDICAL SCHOOL



SocialBit

Goal: Quantify the social interaction of stroke patients to improve health outcomes

We will collect data from 200+ patients!



SocialBit on patient's wrist



Ground Truthers watching from another room

Why? More Social Interaction = Better Stroke Recovery

- Health outcomes are influenced by social interaction
 - **High interaction** → Better outcomes
 - **Low interaction** → Worse outcomes
- Stroke patients isolate themselves

SocialBit: Smartwatch app for measuring social interactions



Goals

- Measure # of minutes of social interaction using raw audio
- Goal setting, encouragement, etc.

Scope:

- Now: stroke patients
- Later: broader audiences

Must be non-invasive

Must be accurate

Constraints

Must be robust to
ambient noise

Must maintain privacy

Data collection: 200 patients with “minute-level” labels



SocialBit on patient's wrist

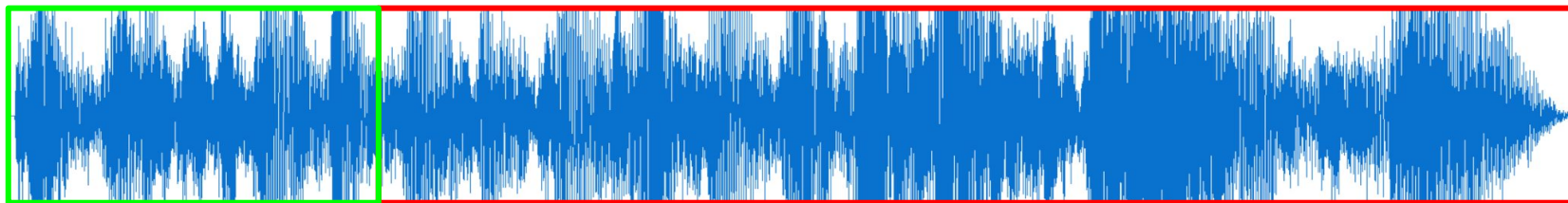


Ground Truthers watching from
another room

What we extract from the data

- Sound events
- Speaker profiles

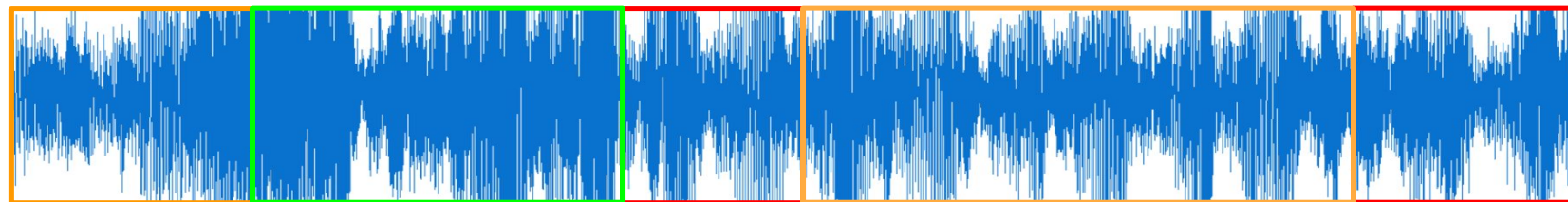
Ex 1.



Patient is speaking
TV is on

TV is on

Ex 2.



There is
speech

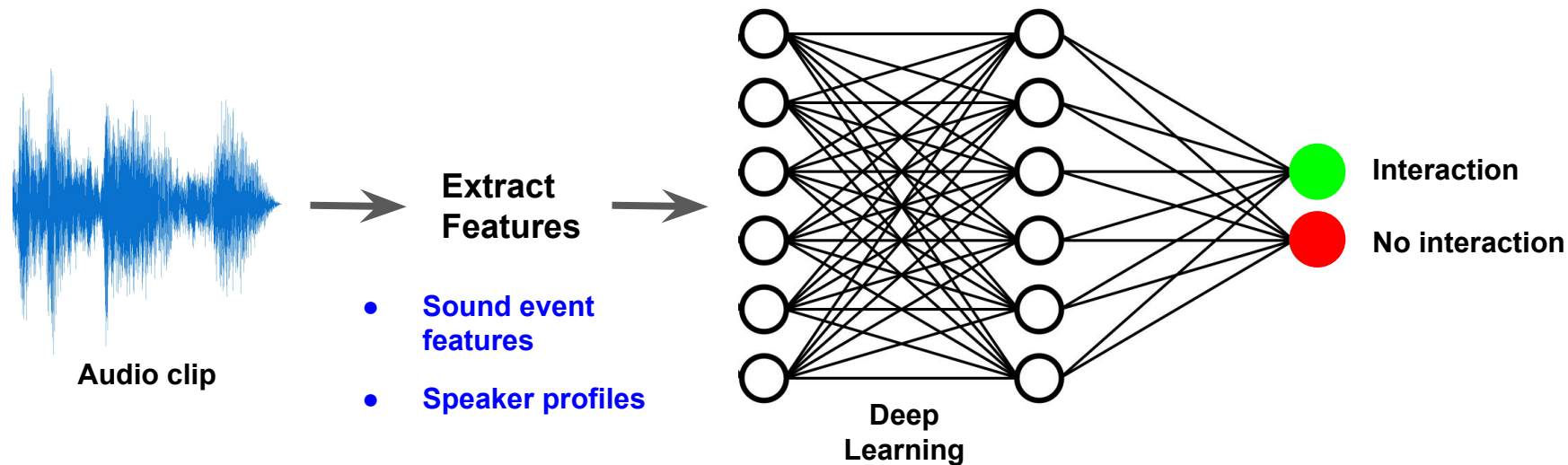
Patient is speaking

No
speaking

There is
speech

No
speaking

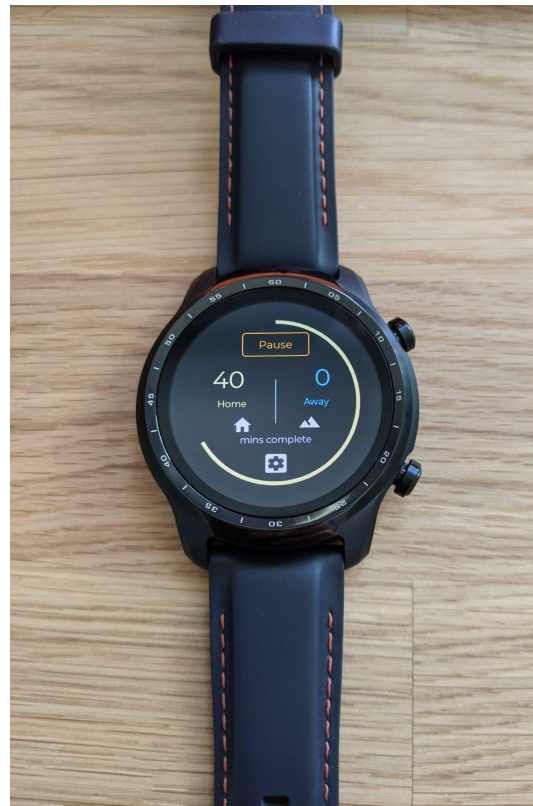
How do we learn from the data?



Some difficulties

- Algorithms must be cheap
 - Battery and computation is limited on smartwatch
- Data concerns
 - Stroke victims may not talk much
 - Hospitals can be noisy

A demo



Thank you!

Questions?

Or by email: dreilly1@uncc.edu