

# The Hinterland of Emotions: Facing the Open-Microphone Challenge

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# FAU Aibo Emotion Corpus



- children interacting with Sony pet robot Aibo: children use their voice to control Aibo
- 51 children at the age of 10-13 year from two schools

# FAU Aibo Emotion Corpus (cont.)



- 11 emotion-related states;  
annotated by 5 labellers on the word level
- in this study:
  - 2-class problem: **NEG**ative valence vs. **IDLE**
  - classification of chunks:  
18216 manually defined syntactic-prosodic chunks
  - heuristic mapping of emotion labels on the word level  
onto single label for the whole chunk
- now available for **scientific, non-commercial use**  
<http://www5.cs.fau.de/FAUAiboEmotionCorpus>





# Prototypicality

In our context:

## Prototypicality

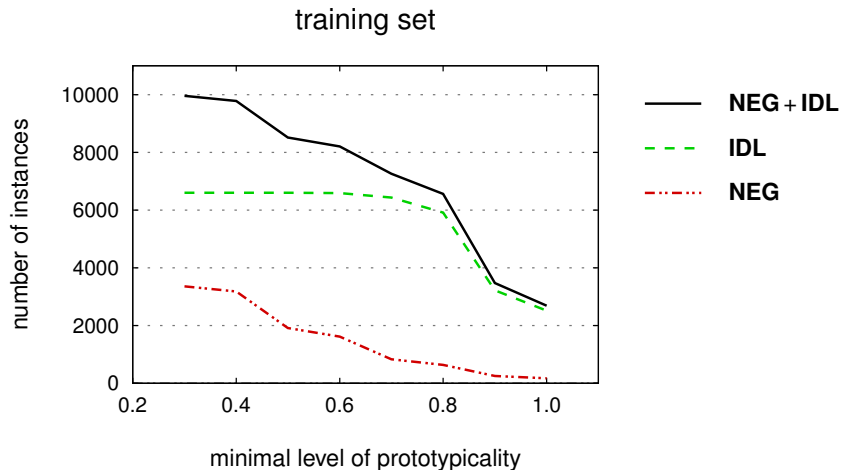
Proportion of raw emotion labels, i. e. original emotion labels of the five human labellers on the word level, that match the single emotion label for the whole chunk.

## Reasons for low prototypicality

- low inter-rater agreement due to low emotional intensity
- chunks consisting of more than one emotion-related state



# Different Levels of Prototypicality





# Automatic Emotion Recognition (AER)

## Set of acoustic features

- 1 638 features computed with the free software openSMILE  
<http://sourceforge.net/projects/opensmile/>

LLD (26 · 3)	functionals (21)
( $\Delta/\Delta\Delta$ ) ZCR	mean, abs. mean, centroid
( $\Delta/\Delta\Delta$ ) DC, Min, Max	std. deviation, variance
( $\Delta/\Delta\Delta$ ) RMS Energy	kurtosis, skewness
( $\Delta/\Delta\Delta$ ) LOG Energy	<i>extremes:</i>
( $\Delta/\Delta\Delta$ ) F0 frequency	value, rel. pos., range
( $\Delta/\Delta\Delta$ ) F0 strength	<i>linear regression:</i>
( $\Delta/\Delta\Delta$ ) F0 quality	offset, slope, MAE, MSE
( $\Delta/\Delta\Delta$ ) HNR	<i>quadratic regression:</i>
( $\Delta/\Delta\Delta$ ) MFCC 0-15	coeff. 1-3, MAE, MSE

# Automatic Emotion Recognition (AER) (cont.)



## Linguistic features

- based on ASR output
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## Classification results

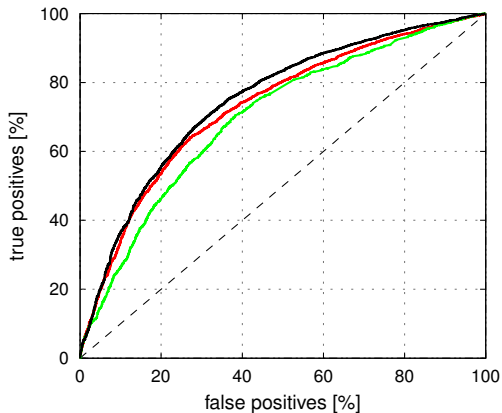
average recall [%]	unweighted UA	weighted WA
acoustic features	68.30	65.97
linguistic features	66.05	67.87
late fusion	<b>69.30</b>	71.47



# Impact of Prototypicality on AER (cont.)

## Receiver operating characteristic (ROC)

ROC detection of **NEG**

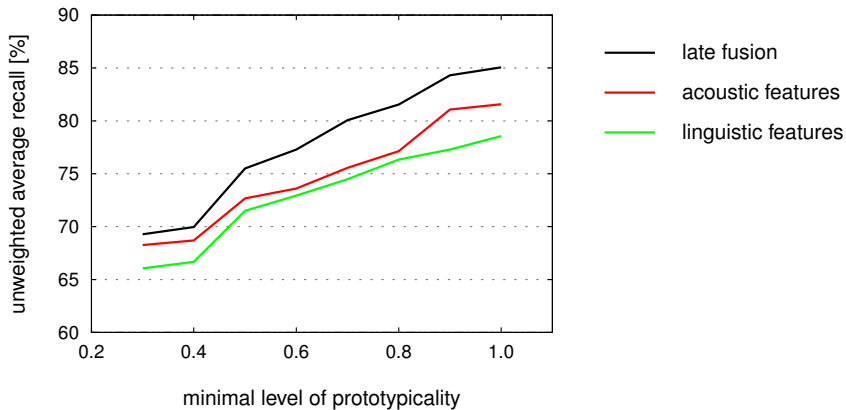


- late fusion: AUC = 0.748
- acoustic features: AUC = 0.730
- linguistic features: AUC = 0.699



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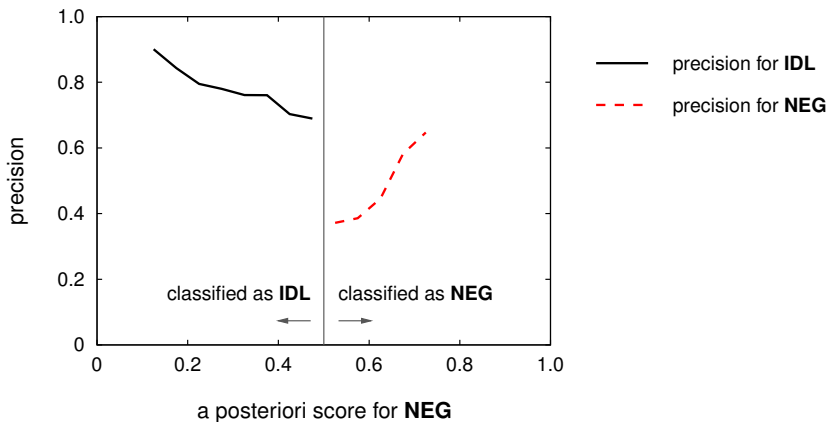
## Unweighted average recall





# Predicting the Level of Prototypicality

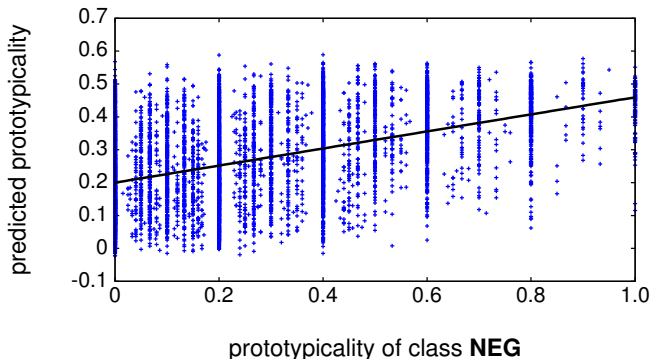
Based on a posteriori scores





# Predicting the Level of Prototypicality (cont.)

Based on Support Vector Regression



■ correlation coefficient: 0.46

■ mean linear error: 0.18

Thank you for your attention!