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Response 1: Thank you for your helpful feedback. We have revised the end of the Introduction (lines 101–107) to explicitly state the research gaps and clarify how the present study addresses them.

Comment 2: Furthermore, although the conclusion emphasizes the increased accuracy, it is unclear how significant a 0.1~0.2% increase would be. If 97.4% of the previous studies are insufficient and 97.6% of the present study is important, then specifics should be given as to what this will enable. The reviewer's understanding is that the significance of the present study seems to lie in the uniqueness of the proposed model rather than in this minor numerical difference. If so, I recommend that the background and conclusions be revised to make it clearer what is unique and significant about the model.

Response 2: Thank you for your valuable comment. We have revised the end of Section 4 and the Conclusion to clarify that the significance of our work lies not merely in the small numerical improvement but in the novelty of integrating prosodic features with MTMFS and CQTS under an attention-based fusion scheme, which provides a more balanced trade-off between precision and recall and enhances robustness.

Comment 3: The word hypothesis appears in line 353, but the term hypothesis here should be changed to a milder term since the manuscript is not designed to test an explicit hypothesis.

Response 3: Thank you for raising this point. Although it is a simple change, we agree it is important for accuracy. We have replaced the term "hypothesis" with "expectation" at line 367 (after revision) to better reflect the nature of the study.

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