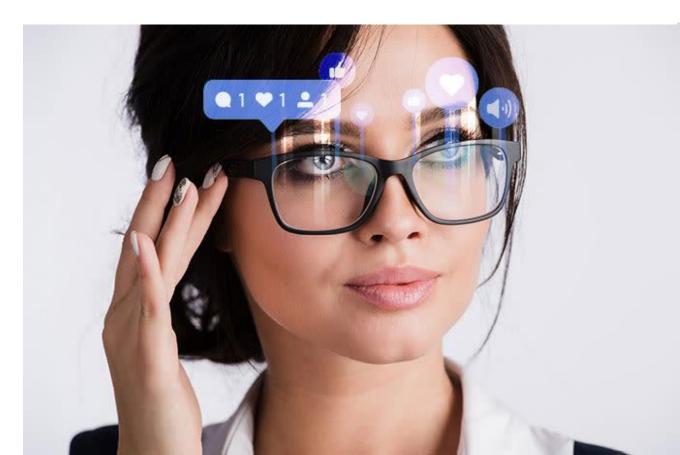


## Prof. Israel Cohen - Research

# Smart Glasses as Assistive Listening Devices

- Assistive listening smart glasses represent a \$7.5B market opportunity by 2026.
- They serve 430M people worldwide with disabling hearing loss.
- These devices blend AR technology with hearing assistance, addressing both visual and auditory needs simultaneously.





# **Engineering Challenges**



### **Audio Capture**

ROI beamforming microphone arrays with 4-8 MEMS mics capture directional sound.



#### **Signal Processing**

Noise suppression, feedback cancellation, and speech enhancement with <10ms latency.



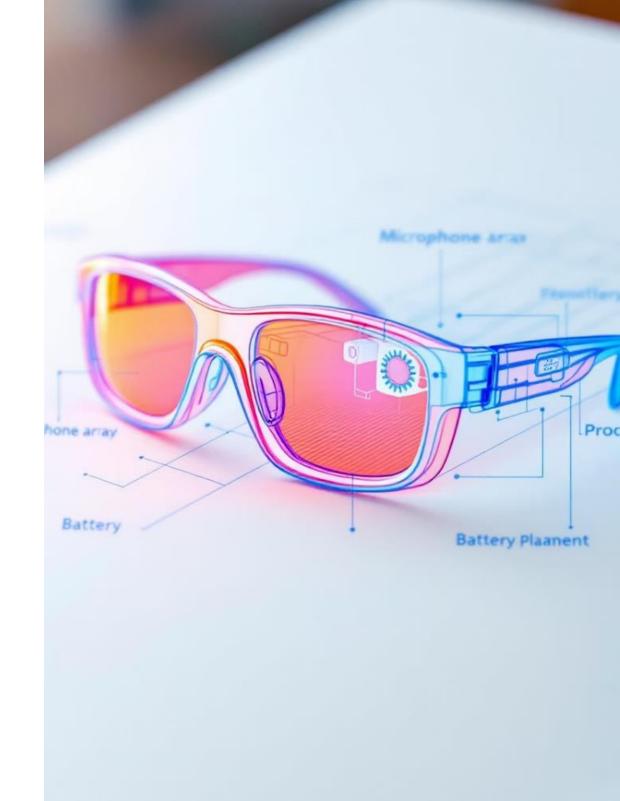
#### **AI Enhancement**

Edge Al analyzes acoustic scenes for contextual audio optimization and enhancement.



#### **Power Management**

Sophisticated power systems deliver 12-18 hour battery life.





# Additional Research Challenges

### Foreign accent conversion

Converting the accented speech of a non-native speaker to a native-sounding speech with the same speaker identity

#### **Nonlinear Acoustic Echo**

The proximity of speakers to microphones creates howling sounds. Advanced feedback suppression is essential.

## **Incremental Deep Learning**

Learning and enhancing knowledge progressively, without forgetting previously acquired information. Acquiring new information over time, while maintaining and building upon previous knowledge.



