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### Introduction

The Second Grand-Challenge and Workshop on Multimodal Language (Challenge-HML) offers a unique opportunity for interdisciplinary researchers to study and model interactions between modalities of language, vision, and acoustic. This is the continuation of the Challenge-HML at ACL 2018. Modeling multimodal language is a growing research area in NLP. This research area pushes the boundaries of multimodal learning and requires advanced neural modeling of all three constituent modalities. Advances in this research area allow the field of NLP to take the leap towards better generalization to real-world communication (as opposed to limitation to textual applications), and better downstream performance in Conversational AI, Virtual Reality, Robotics, HCI, Healthcare, and Education.

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