ARTEMIS: DISTRESS DETECTION FOR URBAN ENVIRONMENT

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MOTIVATION



 Crime against Women Increasing day by day.



- More than 970 million Mobile Phone Users . 91% SmartPhone Users.
- Current Approaches require Voluntary Interaction.

CONTRIBUTION

- We propose a two stage supervised learning framework using Support Vector Machines (SVMs)
- Proposed Framework provides improvement over prior work [1, 2].
- Extensive evaluation on data
 collected from varied environmental contexts
- An Smart Phone Application on the Android Platform.
- A Server Side Dashboard to Monitor Activity of participants, push updates and analyze data.

OBJECTIVES

- Detect distress using audio captured by smartphone microphones, available for analysis on a server/inform Authorities.
- Enable high detection rates and low false alarm rates from quiet to harsh environmental context.

Features Used:

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MFCC

HOG

Spectral Features

NON-INTRUSIVE DISTRESS DETECTION

EVALUATION/DATA COLLECTION

- 16 Volunteers. 250 Hours of Data
- Real time evaluation
- Location Based Alarm Clustering



NUMBERS AND RESULTS



Improvement over Existing Methods

WORKING



References:

[1] Weimin Huang, Tuan-Kiang Chiew, Haizhou Li, Tian Shiang Kok, and J. Biswas. Scream detection for home applications. [2] Ntalampiras S., I. Potamitis, and N. Fakotakis. On acoustic surveillance of hazardous

Smartphone audio based Distress Detection

Automated Distress Detection on a smartphone using audio analysis techniques

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Problem statement





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Available solutions



- A manual trigger on phone to raise an alarm
 - People panic very frequently
 - Generate too many false alarms
- Scream detection systems for restricted environment (home, metro etc.)
 - Have a limited number of environment sounds
- Emotion detection from audio
 - Have very low detection rate
 - Fear emotion can be seen in panic situations





- Scream, sob can be detected using audio analysis techniques
- A smartphone is always available with a person



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 Distress detection on smartphone requires analysis of many environment sounds were a phone goes



Traffic



Laugh and anger



Audio from TV



Crowd in public vehicle on road



Crowd in metro



party



Different kinds of people in a meeting



Cry of a child

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Noisy signal is hard to classify into a known category



Research Challenges



- High Detection Rate (DR)
- Low False Alarm Rate (FAR)



- If 10 false alarms a day, 300 a month, 3600 a year and 1000 people are using the app then 3.6 million false alarms will be reported
 - Seems not feasible with so many FARs

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Salt Lake City Police Department Alarm Responses, 1998-2011



Source: Salt Lake City police department, 2012.

Battery consumption for 24 X 7 automated system







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Our contribution



- First to propose an entirely smartphone audio based 24 X 7 distress detection system
- A two stage framework for distress detection and false alarm rejection which has fairly less FAR
- Evaluation of feasibility to use friend-in-the-loop to further reduce the number of false alarms
- Extensive evaluation on many hours of volunteer data (278 hours, 16 volunteers).

Proposed architecture





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- 2 sec audio signal
- 2 class classification
- Filters out normal speech from the audio signal
- 7 class classification
- Filters out environmental sound (context) from the audio signal

Analysis approach









Tradeoff curve for DR and FAR for 20dB SNR



Results contd..



• False alarm rate for volunteer data

	False alarms sent to friends-in-loop		
Tot. Hours	No Timeout	$30 \min$	$60 \min$
57.28	304	20	18
39.10	55	3	3
19.27	466	8	7
18.49	25	3	3
18.33	7	2	2
13.51	1197	14	11
11.09	49	8	6
3.15	12	2	2
0.97	30	3	2
0.69	35	1	1

Importance of contributions?



- Distress detection is automated
- Early detection of distress is required to save victim from any harm
- Have high confidence of detection due to Humanin-The-loop.

Thanks

