

Identifying Rolling Shutter Distortion

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ZEROEYES

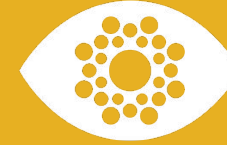
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What is ZeroEyes?

- Uses AI to prevent & mitigate active shooter scenarios
- Robust, multilayered approach including a “human-in-the-loop” to negate false positives
- Active in thousands of cameras in schools, corporate campuses, government buildings, etc. nationwide

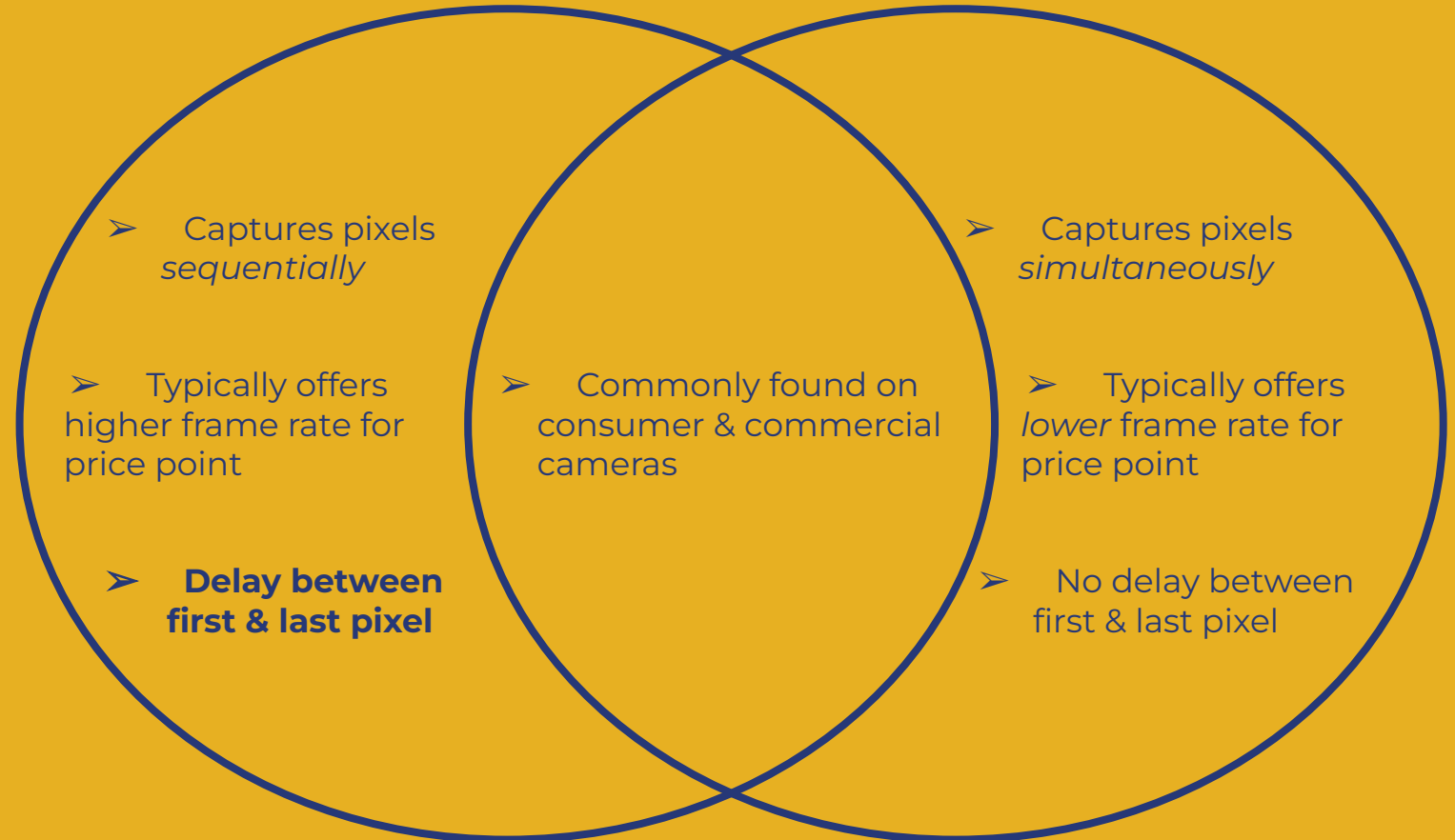


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What is rolling shutter?

Rolling shutter

Global shutter



Why this matters:

- **ZeroEyes is camera agnostic, it already operates on many rolling shutter cameras**
- **Rolling shutter distortion can modify the appearance of objects and impact detection**
- **In the context of ZeroEyes, examples of how this could impair detection capabilities include:**
 - Shooter running quickly down a hallway
 - Shooter in fast-moving vehicle with gun exposed
 - Shooter turning his/her body quickly

Objective:

Create tool to detect rolling shutter distortion

Potential uses:

- First step in a process to attempt to repair this distortion
- Identify cameras that often produce distorted images

Data



Data synthesis

Unfortunately, there is **no readily available data** on rolling shutter distortion

Solution:

- Synthesize data using **an existing dataset**

Data synthesis

Using the **COCO 2017 dataset**, synthesized new data with a custom rolling shutter effect:



- Used people as a target for model



- Extracted polygonal segmentation annotations provided by COCO



- Applied a custom rolling shutter effect to the area within the segmentation

Common Objects in Context

Strengths	Limitations
Over 330,000 images in total	Imprecise annotation boundaries
Over 200,000 annotated images	Some inaccurate annotations
Multiple types of annotations	
Benchmark for ML algorithms	



Model

Model comparison

Model	Precision	Accuracy
Random forest	.47	.48
Logistic regression	.51	.52
<i>MobileNetV3Large</i>	.50	.57

Conclusions & Recommendations



Conclusions & Limitations

- Suitable as a proof of concept, but needs to be improved upon with real-world data
- Inaccurate/imprecise COCO annotations hampered data synthesis process
- Pre-existing distortion within COCO datasets were unaccounted for

Future Recommendations

- Implement different neural network architectures
- Obtain more accurately annotated data to synthesize with
- Experiment with creating different types of artificial rolling shutter distortion (ex. rotational)
- Explore locating & reversing rolling shutter distortion within an image

Thank you!