

**High performance Video Content Analysis** 

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Video Analytics

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#### **About ACIC**

- ACIC is a Belgian spin-off from MULTITEL research centre (2003) (R&D started before 2000 at UCL University)
- ACIC is Provider of High-Quality Video Content Analysis.
- ACIC VCA software addresses various market segments:
  - Security/Safety (sensitive sites, public sites, ...)
  - Traffic Monitoring (road, tunnels, crossroads...)
  - People Counting (shops, shopping centres, ...)



# **Why ACIC?** Unique Selling Points

- High performance (FAR/DR)
- Large set of analytics functions
- Customizable and open products
- High quality support to integrators
- Contractual commitment to a performance level
- Proven track records.







#### Our offer



Software package





Rugged system up to 4 IP or analogue streams

PC server up to 64 IP video streams



### 3 Main Software distributions



#### <u>MvActivityDetection</u>

- Sterile zone
- Virtual line crossing
- Perimeter protection
- Very Low false alarms!



#### MvTraffic

Automatic Incident Detection (AID)

- Traffic statistics
- Integrated with VMS



#### MvPeopleCounting

- . Directionnal people counting
- . Counting groups
- . Distributed counting
- . 95% accuracy in proper conditions



**High Performance VCA** 

## **Domain specific products**

- PanoramaDetection for long range surveillance
- BoatDetection for canal lock surveillance
- PlaneDetection for airport taxiway surveillance
- BicycleCounting
- WrongwayDetection for exit door surveillance











## **Tight integration with Video Management Systems**



#### **Milestone XProtect**



### **Tight integration with Video Management Systems**



**Genetec Omnicast** 



# **Tight integration with Video Management Systems**



# **Exacq Vision**



## Collaborative research projects

- ACIC have contributed to several European or regional research projects:
  - WCAM: wireless camera surveillance
  - TraceThem: multi-sensor object localisation
  - Translogistic: video analytics for the supply chain
  - Apidis: autonomous data collection for sports events and surveillance
  - Agirvit: stereo and laser assisted object detection

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#### **Current research project: SecureWMS**

- Warehouse Management System for enhanced security and traceability
- We use video analytics for
  - Global positioning of mobiles and objects
  - Detection of retrieval and deposit of goods
  - Loading/unloading verification
  - Trailer identification





#### Current research project: SV3D

- Security platform with 3D navigation in large and complex environments
- We use video analytics for
  - Robust person tracking and positioning
  - PTZ autonomous tracking



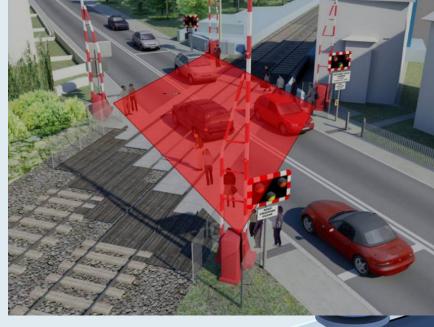


### **Current research project: Locotrac**

- Road-rail Level Crossing surveillance
- We use video analytics for

 Detecting vehicles, persons and objects on the railway

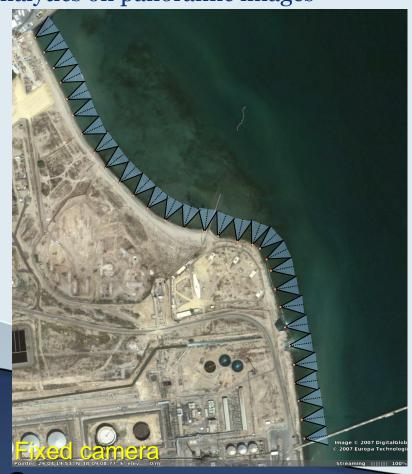
 Laser and camera sensors fusion







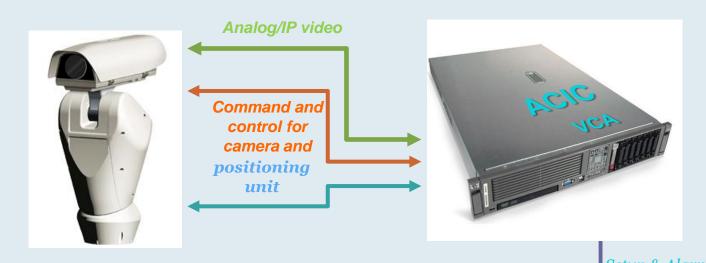
Use continuous sweeping thermal cameras over the area and perform video analytics on panoramic images







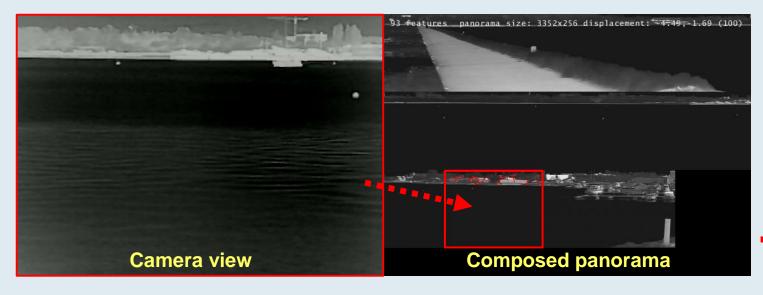
Off-the-shelf components integrated in a complete solution

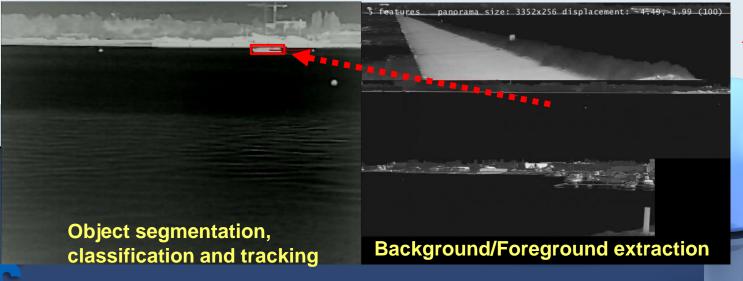


Thermal camera + positioning unit









- We use pan/tilt positioning information to compose the panoramic image, but:
  - Images need to be **flat field corrected** (variations in the pixel-to-pixel sensitivity)
  - Images need to be **geometrically corrected** (distortions in the optical path)
  - Image and positional data must be precisely synchronized
  - Field of view of the camera must be precisely know
  - => Automatic calibration process



• For example, find geometric distortions using feature extraction and matching over consecutive images

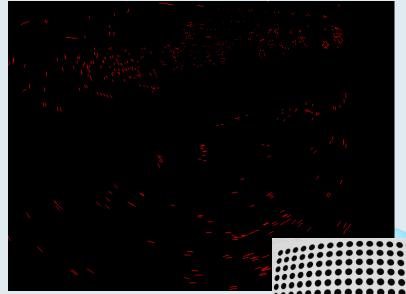






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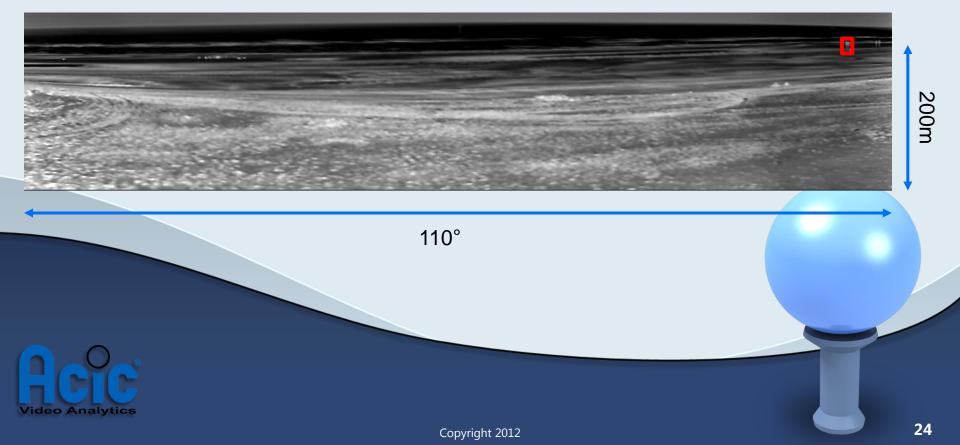
• Knowing the camera calibration, current pan-tilt position and global system location (latitude, longitude) we compute world based target attributes (WSG84 position, real speed and direction, size...)





#### ACIC PanoramaDetection

- Dramatically reduce the number of surveillance cameras
- Perform long range detection over large area
- · Support thermal imaging for all weather, day/night surveillance



### From research to products: move to real contexts

- Understand the right problem with the customer, can the video content analysis be an answer?
- Test the algorithm with a lot of different contexts to estimate the real strength/weakness of the approach
- Use large video corpus with high level benchmarking (e.g. the iLids New Technology dataset)
- Keep the configuration/accessibility of the technology in mind
- Don't focus too much on the algorithm speed, it's easier to make good algorithms faster than bad algorithms better.



#### Perspectives

- Mixed technics used to solve more complex scenarios in difficult environments
  - Explicit foreground/background extraction
  - Learning model for object detection and classification
  - Clustering of spatiotemporal features
  - ...
- Sensors fusion
- Complex processing can now be embedded in the camera (and storage too), manufacturers provides SDK

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Video surveillance as a service, for on line or a posteriori analysis





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