Smart Sensing and Tracking with Video and Mote Sensor Collaboration

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- Smart video surveillance in a sensor web framework augmented by auxiliary sensors to provide efficient real time situational information for security of our borders and critical infrastructures.
- Issues with large area automatic video surveillance:
 - Expense related with dense video camera coverage of the area
 - Large volumes video of data would need to be
 - collected/stored (power/storage requirements)
 - processed/analyzed (intelligence, information, awareness)
 - Distributed in a timely fashion to be acted upon (bandwidth demand)



Promise of Our Solution: Smart Sensing and Video Understanding in a Sensor Web Environment



- Use of inexpensive ad hoc netted sensors (motes) to cue and task video cameras to collect and process video only when a mote field detects and verifies activity,
- Embedded video analytics processing with camera (i.e., Smart Video Node) to push processing of video to the sensor edge for efficient use of bandwidth,
- Employ a Sensor Web platform to:
 - quickly discover sensors that are available,
 - seamlessly integrate and collect data from disparate sensors,
 - automatically task various sensors based on events,
 - receive and disseminate alerts from multiple sensors.



Components and Approach



- Inexpensive Sensor Motes augment and cue video sensors
- Smart Video Node for fully automated extraction of video content, detection of anomalous and pre-determined events for enhanced situational awareness

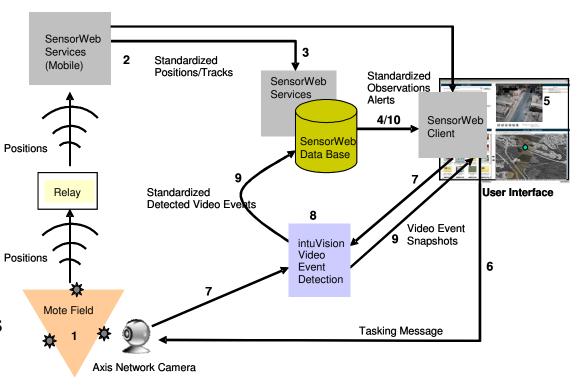
- <u>Sensor-web Framework integrating smart video and various inexpensive mote sensors</u>
 - Information transparency between sensor modalities through the use of standards OGC (Open Geospatial Consortium)



Concept of Operations

- The Auxiliary Sensor Field detects movement.
- Detected movement position is relayed to Sensor Web Services.
- The new alert is disseminated within the sensor web.
- The Sensor Web Client receives the new alert.
- The Alert location is highlighted on the Client GUI.
- 6. The Client automatically tasks a Positions camera to the location.
- Video from the tasked camera is processed to detect events.
- 8. If detected the Event Alarm is reported to Sensor Web service.
- Detected Event is published by the Sensor Web Service.







Video and Mote Sensor Collaboration with EIP's





Sensor Motes

- Sensor mote: a wireless sensor device that constitutes a single node in a wireless sensor network
- Each node consists of a small microcontroller, radio and sensing unit (e.g., pressure, motion, tripwire)
- Low-power sensors when used in a network of geometrical patterns can provide approximate location information on potential targets-of-interest







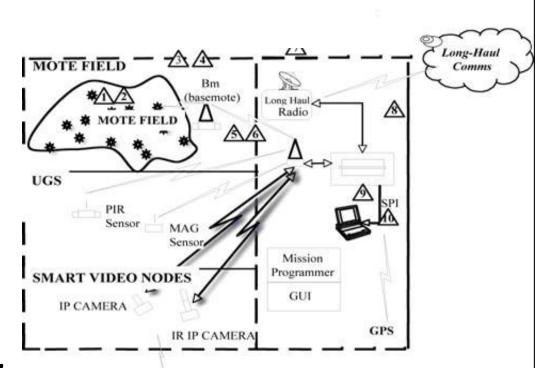


 Sensor mote field is a network of motes to cue and direct the smart video

nodes.

- Wireless sensor networking enables ad hoc mesh networking of small sensor devices, extending the internet to the physical world
- When a mote is powered on, it forms a network with any neighboring nodes that are in range.





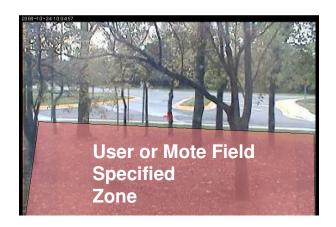


Video Event Detection for Large Area Surveillance



- Detection and Tracking algorithms need to accommodate
 - occlusions in wooded areas
 - low frame rates of network cameras,
 - camera panning and zooming as slewed by other sensor cueing.
- Event Detection algorithms
 - Dynamically respond to real-time triggers from different sensor observations;
 - Detection parameters (zones or direction)
 - Type of objects (vehicle, person)
 maybe determined by mote sensor
 alerts











- A software framework with open standards-based suite of web services and encodings that enable:
 - Remote discovery of compliant sensors
 - Storage and retrieval of sensor observations
 - Subscription to and notification from desired sensor alerts
 - Remote sensor tasking based on observed alerts
 - Filtering sensor alerts and data based on temporal and geospatial constraints



Why OGC and IEEE Sensor Standards as a Sensor Web Foundation?



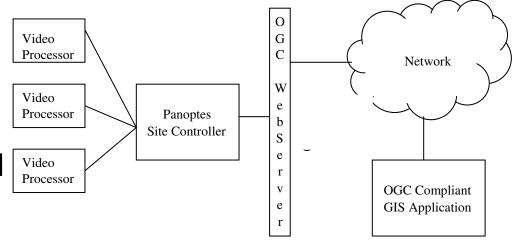
- Increasingly supported and used across government, industry, and academia.
 - Strongly supported by NGA used in Empire Challenge
 - Currently used in sensor web efforts by NASA, DIA, and other agencies
- Net-Centric based on XML, web services, and Service
 Oriented Architecture (SOA) concepts
- Flexible the standards can be applied to legacy or new sensor systems



Intelligent video surveillance as an OGC compliant "sensor"



- Developed an
 OGC compliant Video Event
 Detection OGC sensor
- Sensor Observation Service is used for managing deployed sensors and retrieving sensor data (observations)

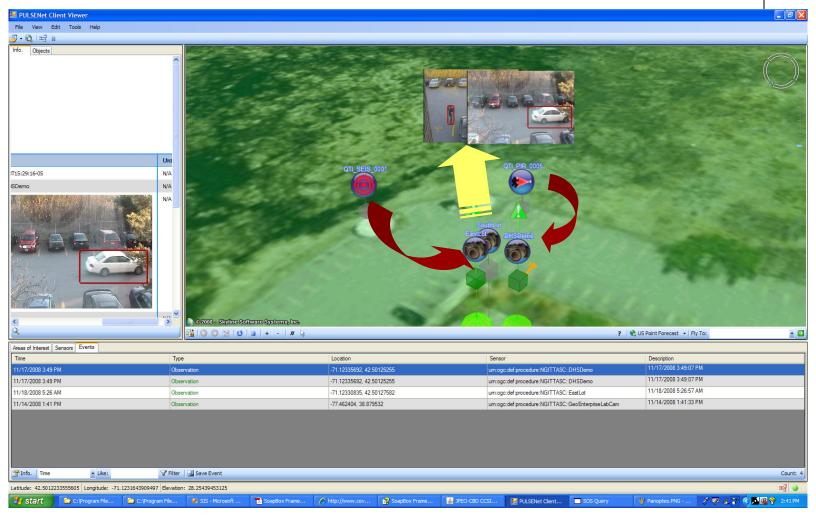


 Implemented all mandatory SOS interfaces: GetCapabilities, DescribeSensor, GetObservation.



Sensor Web Event Initiated Procedures Dynamic initiation of preset procedures on sensor







observations or alerts

Video Event Alarms on Mobile Device



- A light web server offers access to different forms of output
- Marked-up MJPEG video streams
- RSS feed for alarm event information
- Can receive video events through a mobile Sensor web Client





Conclusions

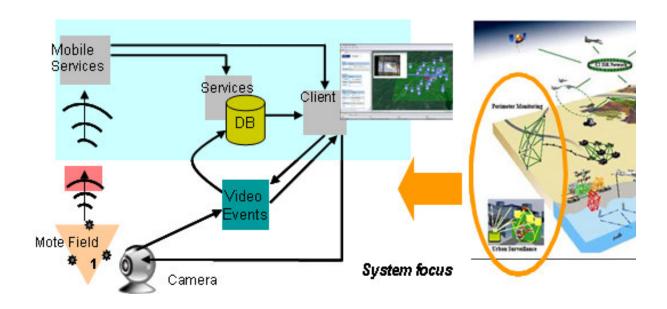


- Collaboration of inexpensive auxiliary sensors to cue video cameras provide a cost effective approach to surveillance video collection, storage, processing and information extraction
- Sensor Web platform provides an efficient means to manage sensor assets, observations and alarms, automatically task sensors and timely sharing of sensor data and extracted knowledge
- OGC compliant Smart Video Node enables Video Event Detection in a Sensor Web Environment.



Prototype System





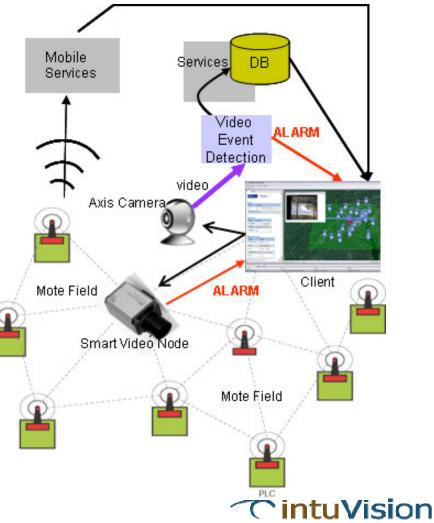
- sensor web environment
- tripwire mote sensors cueing network video cameras
- automatic tasking of video event detection
- detecting threat events from video
- dissemination of alarms from the sensor web clients

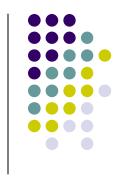


Ongoing Work

Full Functional Prototype to address the needs of CBP applications with a smart video and mote sensor based event and threat detection in an operational Sensor Web platform.







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Thank you!

