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Release notes

Products:	<i>IVA Pro Buildings Pack</i> <i>IVA Pro Perimeter Pack</i> <i>IVA Pro Traffic Pack</i> <i>Intelligent Video Analytics</i> <i>Essential Video Analytics</i> <i>Camera Trainer</i>
Version:	<i>Firmware 8.70 (CPP14),</i> <i>Firmware 8.46 (CPP13)</i> <i>Configuration Manager 7.61</i>

1. General

Bosch cameras can be clustered by their common product platform (CPP). Newer generations of CPP offer more processing power, and thus also more options for video analytics. Therefore video analytics versions and capabilities differ with the different platforms.

On CPP 6 / 7 / 7.3, Essential Video Analytics is included by default and free of charge in 3000-6000 range cameras, and Intelligent Video Analytics & Camera Trainer in 7000-9000 range cameras.

On CPP 13, and the CPP14 cameras FLEXIDOME multi 7000i & FLEXIDOME panoramic 5000i, Intelligent Video Analytics & Camera Trainer are included by default and free of charge.

On CPP 14 FLEXIDOME 5100i, IVA Pro is being introduced:

- IVA Pro Buildings Pack is included by default, as a successor of Essential Video Analytics. It offers general detection of persons and vehicles with easiest setup – no calibration required!
- IVA Pro Perimeter Pack is a licensable option and the successor of Intelligent Video Analytics. It is the go-to solution for professional intrusion detection with longest detection distance as well as the ability to detect rolling, crawling and camouflaged people. It also includes Camera Trainer.
- IVA Pro Traffic Pack is a licensable option and the successor of the Traffic Detector. In addition to the person and vehicle detection of the IVA Pro Buildings Pack, it offers vehicle classification into bicycle, motorbike, car, bus truck. It also offers 3D tracking to enable speed and geolocation.

Intelligent Video Analytics (IVA) Pro Perimeter Pack is the successor of Intelligent Video Analytics 8.10.

Note that while IVA Pro is a continuously growing product, the development of Intelligent and Essential Video Analytics is restricted to generic user interface improvements.

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2. New Features

Intelligent Video Analytics (FW 8.46, CPP13)

Traffic detector improvements:

- 2D Traffic tracking mode improved. Limitations on overlap between consecutive frames, shape and color have been lifted.
- Introduction of “stationary” object labels for easier distinction between moving and non-moving objects. Stationary object can be suppressed directly in the metadata or in the task filters. The stopped object debounce time determines when a moving object is becoming stationary.
- Metric 3D bounding boxes are provided along with object size filters for width, height, and length. Thus, e.g. truck classification by vehicle length becomes possible.

IVA Pro Buildings Pack (FW 8.70, CPP14)

IVA Pro Buildings Pack is an AI-based detection, separation and tracking of (upright) people and vehicles in wide-angle views. Top-down views are currently not supported.

It introduces the following tracking mode: Base tracking (2D).

Minimum object size is 16x16 pixel in the respective internal resolution:

- 1280x720 resolution for 16:9 aspect ratio and 25/30 fps base rate
- 1024x768 resolution for 4:3 aspect ratio and 25/30 fps base rate
- 1024x576 for 50/60 fps base rates.

Maximum object size is 500x500 pixel in the same resolution.

Up to 64 objects can be tracked in real-time.

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IVA Pro Perimeter Pack (FW 8.70, CPP14)

IVA Pro Perimeter Pack is the successor of IVA 8.10.

It adds the following tracking modes:

- Perimeter tracking (2D) (formerly called Standard tracking)
- Perimeter tracking(3D) (formerly called 3D tracking)
- People tracking (3D) (formerly called 3D people counting)
- Museum mode (2D) (formerly called Museum mode)
- Ship tracking (2D) (formerly called Ship tracking)

It also adds Camera Trainer.

IVA Flow and Crowd Density Estimation are no longer available.

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IVA Pro Traffic Pack (FW 8.70, CPP14)

IVA Pro Traffic Pack is the successor of the Traffic Detector. It adds the following tracking mode:

- Traffic tracking (3D) (formerly called 3D Traffic)

It also adds the full classification of person, bicycle, motorbike, car, bus, and truck for Base tracking (2D) and Traffic tracking (3D).

In Traffic tracking (3D), metric 3D bounding boxes of the objects are provided along with object size filters for width, height and length. Thus, e.g. truck classification by vehicle length becomes possible.

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Configuration Manager 7.61:

- Added map-based calibration for traffic and inner-city scenes to the calibration. Mark 4-5 corresponding ground points on the map and in the image for a full calibration including geolocation.
- Added support for IVA Pro Packs
- Added license handling for IVA Pro Packs

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Introduction

IVA Pro, Intelligent Video Analytics and Essential Video Analytics are software algorithms that detect behavior of objects within an environment monitored by a video camera and generate alarm events that can be processed further in a CCTV system. They make it possible to capture and evaluate directional movement of objects, apply configured filter rules and to combine these rules, thereby largely preventing false alarms. All algorithms adapt automatically to changing environmental conditions and are therefore non-sensitive to perturbing influences such as rain and small tree movements.

Intelligent Video Analytics is more robust than Essential Analytics and can cope with heavy rain and snow falls, strong wind moving vegetation or shaking the camera, and water surfaces and fountains in the background. While IVA Pro Perimeter Pack, Intelligent and Essential Video Analytics react to moving objects of any kind, IVA Pro Buildings Pack and IVA Pro Traffic Pack are AI-based and focused solely on upright persons and vehicles, both moving and stationary. Thus, they are inherently even more robust to headlights, shadows, shaking camera and background motion.

Intuitive configuration via graphical user interface is a part of an advanced wizard structure in the Task Manager. Improved with an intuitive configuration option it is possible to provide the complete property information (object type, size, speed, aspect ratio, direction, color) for an object just by clicking it in the live scene.

Intelligent Video Analytics has the auxiliary function “Flow”, which supports optical flow to detect the direction of objects independent from the structure of the background and the size of the objects.

Camera Trainer is an extension of Intelligent Video Analytics and IVA Pro Perimeter Pack. Based on examples of target objects and non-target objects, the Camera Trainer uses machine learning to allow the user to define objects of interest and generate detectors for them. In contrast to the moving objects detected in general by IVA, Camera Trainer allows detection of both moving and non-moving objects, separates and immediately classifies them. Training can be done both on live video as well as on recordings available through the respective camera. The resulting detectors can be down- and uploaded for distribution to other cameras.

Traffic Detector is an extension of Intelligent Video Analytics available on dedicated CPP13 cameras. Similar to IVA Pro Traffic Pack, it is based on AI and provides detection and tracking of persons and vehicles.

The generated metadata, transmitted to live video or to storage, is used to display overlay graphics and allow retrospective forensic search. Configuration Manager and Bosch Video Management System (BVMS) support forensic search for optimization of the configuration. The camera web page, the Video Security Client (VSC) and the Video Security Apps support a limited forensic search called smart search.

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3. Features

General

- Robust object detection and tracking for indoor and outdoor usage in sparsely populated scenes.
- People tracking and counting in well-populated scenes. Intelligent Video Analytics can cope with twice the amount of people than Essential Video Analytics.
- Built-in tamper monitoring detects camera hooding/masking, blinding, defocusing, and repositioning. An indication is shown if the reference image check works and when the alarm will be triggered.
- Two different VCA configurations (profiles) per DINION / FLEXIDOME allow for different settings of different conditions (like day and night)
- 16 different VCA configurations (profiles) for AUTODOME / MIC permit to combine a dome scene position with a certain VCA configuration (profile)
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Essential Video Analytics:

Tracking modes:

- Standard tracking, e.g. for intrusion detection
- 3D tracking, e.g. for enhanced distances with Intelligent Video Analytics
- 3D people tracking, e.g. for indoor people counting
- Museum mode, e.g. for asset protection – don't touch!

Object classes:

- 3D tracking: Person, bike, car, truck
- 3D people tracking: Person

Tasks:

- Detect objects within, entering, or leaving single or multiple (up to three) areas in a specified order
- Detect multiple line crossing from single line up to three lines combined in a specified order
- Detect objects traversing a route
- Detect loitering in an area related to radius and time
- Detect objects which are idle for a predefined time span
- Detect removed objects
- Detect objects who's properties such as size, speed, direction, and aspect ratio change within a configured time span according to specification (for example something falling down)

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- Count objects crossing a virtual line
- Count objects within an area and alarm if a predefined limit is reached.
- Detect a certain crowd level in a predefined field

Object Filters:

- Object class
- Object width
- Object height
- Object size
- Object speed
- Object direction (two different directions can be defined)
- Object aspect ratio
- Object color

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- Ship tracking, robust against waves.

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IVA Flow:

Tasks:

- Detecting flows in a certain area and if needed filter for the main direction speed and activity of the moving objects:
 - The user may define up to two flow directions
 - In counter flow mode the user does not have to define a main flow direction. Instead, the algorithm automatically detects the direction of the main flow and triggers an alarm if objects move against this direction
- Detect a certain crowd level in a predefined field

Traffic Detector:

Tracking modes:

- 2D Traffic
- 3D Traffic, adding speed and geolocation

Object classes:

- Person
- Vehicle
 - Bike
 - Bicycle
 - Motorbike
 - Car
 - Truck
 - Bus

Object classes are hierarchical. That means e.g. a bicycle is also a bike is also a vehicle, and a bus is also a truck is also a vehicle. Object class filters fully support this hierarchy, while visual class labels will only show the deepest level of classification, that is they will show person, bicycle, motorbike, car, truck, and bus labels. Bikes seen from the front can be confused with persons as they look very similar. Also, bus and trucks may be confused.

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IVA Pro Buildings Pack:

Tracking modes:

- Base tracking (2D)

Object classes:

- Person
- Vehicle

Tasks:

- Detect persons/vehicles within, entering, or leaving single or multiple (up to three) areas in a specified order
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Easy configuration:

- Wizard structure of task manager guides through the setup
- Broad range of predefined detection tasks available
- Up to 16 independent tasks for alarm generation can be created per channel
- Filters for object type, size, speed, two-way direction, aspect ratio and color are available to create more specific detection rules for every task
- All spatial information like detector lines, detector fields, sensitive area, configured object size, object aspect ratio, object direction and more are graphically drawn into the scene and can be manipulated there for flexible and easy configuration
- Enriched with intuitive "Click-object-in-scene" configuration of object filters
- Graphical statistics for more transparency regarding alarm results
- Guided camera calibration with direct feedback
- Task scripting offers the possibility to combine tasks and thus hugely extend the predefined

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tasks

- Scenario defaults on the VCA main page add default configurations for:
 - Intrusion detection (one field): Use for wide areas with not too much distance
 - Intrusion detection (two fields): Use for long distances, e.g. along fence.
 - People counting
 - Traffic monitoring: Automatic incident detection with wrong way detection, pedestrian detection, slow vehicles, stopped vehicles and dropped objects. Target application is tunnel monitoring.
 - Traffic wrong way

Features which need calibration:

All 3D tracking modes, which track objects on the ground plane. These enable:

- Object filter for size and speed in metric or imperial system
- Geolocation, the output of the positions of tracked objects in relation to the camera position.
- Object filter by type “upright person, bike, car, truck via 3D tracking in Intelligent / Essential Video Analytics and via Perimeter tracking (3D) in IVA Pro Perimeter Pack
- Double detection distance for Intelligent Video Analytics and IVA Pro Perimeter Pack.

Forensic Search allows to define any task / object filter computation as well as the task combinations available via the task script language.

Smart Search supports the following search tasks:

- Any object
- Line crossing
- Object in field

Differences between Intelligent Video Analytics and Essential Video Analytics

Essential Video Analytics currently has the full feature set of Intelligent Video Analytics with the following exceptions:

- No ship tracking
- No IVA Flow algorithm
- Less robustness for extreme weather conditions
- No compensation for shaking cameras
- No double resolution / detection distance
- No Camera Trainer extension

Differences between Intelligent Video Analytics and IVA Pro Perimeter Pack

IVA Pro Perimeter pack has the full feature set of Intelligent Video Analytics with the following exceptions:

- No IVA Flow
- No Crowd Density Estimation

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4. Specific Explanations and Limitations

General

- You have to choose between Intelligent Video Analytics and Intelligent Video Analytics Flow. It is not possible to run both functions at the same time.
- Intelligent Video Analytics and Essential Video Analytics consist of two parts: The generation of metadata describing the detected objects, which will be stored together with the video, and live alarming or forensic search based on this metadata. In the configuration, all options in the tab “metadata generation” change the generated metadata. Therefore these options are not available for forensic search later on. All alarming as defined in “Tasks” as well as the inspection of metadata can be done both for live alarming and during forensic search.
- Only if IVA Pro, Intelligent Video Analytics and Essential Video Analytics are active can they create metadata for live viewing, alarming and for storage. Forensic search therefore just can deliver results in a retrospective search for moving objects in the database for cameras that have had one of these algorithms enabled for the recording.
- The forensic search function for the feature “crowd detection” is only working on the crowd fields you defined before in the camera or in the encoder. Metadata for crowd will only be generated in this crowd fields and cannot be changed for a different crowd fields in Forensic Search.

Limitations of IVA Pro Perimeter Pack, Intelligent Video Analytics and Essential Video Analytics object tracking:

- Due to reflections, objects or motion might not be reliably detected or too many objects or motions might be detected. False alarms might occur due to:
 - reflective background
 - glass (glazed building frontages)
 - water as a background
 - cones of light moving in the dark
- Sudden appearance of spotlights, moving headlights or torch cones etc. are lightening up an area that might be detected as an “object”.
- Large areas of reflected light can also cause spurious motion detection. However, light reflections caused by falling raindrops, for example, are small enough to be ignored for statistical purposes and owing to the uniform nature of their motion.
- Motion of vegetation due to wind is covered for slow, continuous and uniform wind. If this movement overlaps with objects, false as well as missed detections are possible. To avoid this, adjusting the camera position.
- Strong wind, storms and heavy peak blasts from different directions, especially in the foreground of a scene, might trigger false alarms.
- Suddenly appearing sharp shadows of clouds, trees and buildings can be mistake as objects. Soft shadows are covered by the algorithm.
- An object in strong sunlight with crisp shadow may therefore be registered within its outlines including this shadow. This has to be taken into account for aspect ratio and object size configuration. Soft shadows are covered by the algorithm.

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- A constant background is necessary in order to detect motion reliably and to assign that motion to a certain object. The more the background moves, the harder it is to distinguish moving objects from it. For instance, a person walking in front of a hedge that is moving heavily in the wind will very probably not be detected properly.
- Merging effects (outline bubble over more than one object) might occur with objects overlapping or passing-by close to each other. This means the occurrence of a new (bigger) object in the scene and the loss of the former already detected and tracked object IDs with all the consequences to the selected detection tasks. The same applies when these object separate again. To avoid this, please check your scene and camera position to the best and take it into account when setting up the configuration
- If the image consists to a certain extent of nothing but moving objects – in other words if objects cannot be distinguished from each other or from the background – the motion of an individual object cannot be detected (e.g. individuals in a large crowd, idle object in a large crowd).
- The detection and analysis of objects entering the image will be delayed until significant size and motion have been observed. To avoid this, center all evaluations in the image. With Intelligent Video Analytics, the sensitivity parameter allows you to additionally choose a trade-off between fast object detection and less false alerts due to insignificant motion.
- “Click-object-in-scene” configuration: The quality of the metric results provided (size, speed, aspect ratio) is very much depending on the correct calibration. Furthermore it has to be mentioned that the color filter used in the “click-object-in-scene” function is of course related to the outlined area of an object. In most of the cases this outlines include additional surroundings like background (e.g.: asphalt). To concentrate on the real object specification, it is recommended to delete these unwanted colors from the histogram using the “Clear” button.

Minimal object size & differences in processing resolution & frame rate

IVA Pro, Intelligent Video Analytics and Essential Video Analytics typically use less resolution than available, and different processing resolutions on different devices and for different image aspect ratios. If not stated differently, the video analytics runs with a framerate of 15 fps if the camera has 30/60 fps base rates, and 12,5 fps for 25 fps base rate. Here the processing resolutions for different video aspect ratios

- Essential Video Analytics
 - 4:3 - 320x240
 - 16:9 - 320x180
- Intelligent Video Analytics on FLEXIDOME multi 7000i
 - 16:9 – 320x180, 7,5 fps
- Intelligent Video Analytics on FLEXIDOME panoramic 5000i
 - 480x480
- Intelligent Video Analytics, 3D tracking on, noise suppression OFF / MEDIUM, for moving / started / stopped objects
 - 1:1 - 640x640
 - 4:3 - 640x480
 - 16:9 - 640x360
- Intelligent Video Analytics, 3D tracking off or noise suppression STRONG or placed/taken objects

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- 1:1 - 320x320
- 4:3 - 320x240
- 16:9 - 320x180
- IVA Pro Perimeter Pack, 3D tracking on, noise suppression OFF / MEDIUM, for moving / started / stopped objects, video base rate 25/30 fps
 - 4:3 - 512x384
 - 16:9 - 640x360
- IVA Pro Perimeter Pack, 3D tracking off or noise suppression STRONG or placed/taken objects, video base rate 25/30 fps
 - 4:3 - 256x144
 - 16:9 - 320x180
- IVA Pro Perimeter Pack, 3D tracking on, noise suppression OFF / MEDIUM, for moving / started / stopped objects, video base rate 50/60 fps
 - 16:9 - 512x288
- IVA Pro Perimeter Pack, 3D tracking off or noise suppression STRONG or placed/taken objects, video base rate 50/60 fps
 - 16:9 - 256x144

In corridor mode, the height and width are switched. IVA Pro Perimeter Pack, Intelligent Video Analytics and Essential Video Analytics can reliably detect objects that have at least 20 square pixel in this internal resolution, e.g. 3x8 pixel for an upright person.

IVA Pro Buildings Pack, IVA Pro Traffic Pack & Traffic Detector:

- CPP 13:
 - 16:9 - 640x360
- CPP 14 & 25/30fps base rate:
 - 16:9 - 1280x720
 - 4:3 - 1024x768
- CPP 14 & 50/60fps base rate:
 - 16:9 - 1024x576

IVA Pro Buildings Pack, IVA Pro Traffic Pack & Traffic Detector need a minimum object size of 16x16 pixel and a maximum object size of 500x500 pixel.

No IVA Pro Buildings Pack, IVA Pro Traffic Pack or Traffic Detector available on CPP13 in corridor mode.

Limitations of automatic calibration:

- Calibration can only be done for a single, flat, horizontal ground plane.
- For MIC and AUTODOMES, a proper vertical mount is assumed, otherwise the global calibration will not work.
- The more horizontally the camera is looking, the more accurate calibration needs to be, and automatic calibration may not be accurate enough.
- The larger the focal length and covered distance, the more accurate calibration needs to be, and automatic calibration may not be accurate enough.

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Limitations of automatic classification of object type in Perimeter tracking (3D), People tracking (3D), 3D tracking and 3D people tracking:

- Camera must be calibrated and 3D tracking must be active
- No differentiation of crawling or rolling persons from animals. Only upright walking or standing persons are classified as persons.
- Persons and bikes seen from the front are easily confused. A bike from the front will only be classified as such if it is fast enough, otherwise it will be classified as a person.
- No differentiation between bicycle and motorbike.
- Small objects with only a few pixel can be confused (for example, objects far away from the camera).
- Object class may change over time.
- All objects start as an unknown object. They are only classified over the time if the object class can be determined sufficiently reliable.

Limitations of color configuration:

- An object is almost never displayed in a consistent color in the image data. Pixels on the outer edge of a detected object in particular often contain the color information of the background and not the object. Objects such as automobiles comprise a variety of parts (body, windows, tires). Each individual part of the object is displayed in a different color, for example the mudguards in red and the tires in black.
- The color properties of an object depend upon the lighting conditions. If the lighting conditions in a captured image changes, then the captured color of the object also changes. Objects on a street appear in different hues depending on the time of day and weather conditions.
- An object that changes its position or direction of motion may then appear with different color properties. For example, automobiles are often marked on the side in color but not on the back. When people are seen from the front, the hue of the face determines the color impression; however, if the person turns around, the color properties are then defined by the hair or headdress.
- Having a lot of different colors of the spectrum selected and low precision set nearly the entire color spectrum is selected to be detected. This means nearly all colors might trigger unwanted alarms. It is suggested to be more selective and/or precise in these cases.
- To define a specific color nuance, use the slider for saturation to select from more colors out of the spectrum. Up to five colors can be selected for one object. The importance of the colors in the search is from left to right: 25%; 20%; 15%; 10%; 5%. The reason to start with 25% is that objects normally consist of several colors, e.g. a car out of windshields (white or mirror effect), tires (black or dark grey), bumpers (black or dark grey) and finally the car paint we are actually looking for. The pure car paint might cover just 25% of the object therefore the algorithm starts with 25% as for the main color to guarantee realistic search results.
- With the slider precision you define the accuracy of the color match in alarm detection. With the slider being at the far left side (meaning "0") the selected color is not detected at all. With the slider at the far right ("full"), the color has to match exactly to be detected. Be aware that this "selected range of accuracy" is shared across all several selected colors. This means: one color could take all range of accuracy for itself and the other colors hence have to match

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exactly or all of the colors share less accuracy for each of them.

Limitations of Intelligent Video Analytics Flow:

- Minimum object size for a reliable detection in Flow must be at least eight blocks, each with a size of 8 x 8 (QCIF-pixel).
- Objects too fast which cross the camera view in less than two seconds, might not be detected by Flow.
- Flow is only capable to detect objects that have an almost constant velocity and linear movement.
- Heavy camera movement like camera pans and camera vibration can cause false alarms and leads to objects not being detected with Flow.
- The higher the sensitivity value, the more tolerant is Flow in detecting objects that are temporarily covered.
- The range of the main flow must at least have 45° to detect even objects that move slowly.

Limitations of any 3D tracking modes:

- To activate any 3D tracking, a calibration of the scene is required. If the scene is not well calibrated the tracking may deliver wrong or no results. Both tracking modes assume that all objects move on a single flat ground plane. Multiple floors, staircases, vertical object motion etc. may lead to wrong results.
- 3D tracking requires a camera height of more than 2.5 meter (above 3 meter recommended) to work robustly. By using more elaborate algorithms and prior real-world knowledge, the 3D tracking mode can improve the object tracking robustness.
- In 3D tracking modes, objects that are located entirely above the horizon (e.g. flying objects) are not detected, since object motion here is restricted to the ground plane.

Limitations of 3D people tracking / People tracking (3D):

- For a top-down perspective: Heights of the camera more than 3 meter (recommended 4 meter). Lens to be chosen that head diameter of heads of persons is optimally between 7% and 14% of the screen width and 8% and 16% of the screen heights.
- Calibration of the scene is required, and tracking should be set to “3D people tracking”.
- Other moving objects, reflections on the ground, blinking lights, changing light conditions, shadows, trolleys or persons carrying bags or umbrellas can lead to wrong counting results.
- Children close to other persons may not be detected.
- The algorithm is not suitable to count persons in crowded areas, or to count persons that stand still for a very long time.
- The amount of people that can be tracked in real time is
 - ~ 20 for Intelligent Video Analytics
 - ~ 10 for Essential Video Analytics

If more than this amount of people is in the scene, there will occur more and more frames without metadata. The tracking will continue correctly nonetheless as long as possible.
- Line counting at the edge of the field of view may not work.
- 3D people tracking will not work in low lighting conditions.

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Limitations of counting:

- In addition to the limitations of 3D people tracking, partly concealed objects, objects which cannot be tracked well, e.g. because of speed, background conditions or size will lead to wrong counting results.
- The counter can be reset by reloading the configuration or via a RCP+ command.

Limitations of ship tracking:

- Only available in Intelligent Video Analytics.
- The tracking mode “water vehicle tracking” needs to be enabled.
- This tracking mode should not be used to track people at a shore.
- Applications like a lock where water rushes in white foam into the lock once the doors are opened are not supported.
- False alerts may occur due to high waves.
- Two boats following each other closely will be detected as one boat only, as the wave of the first boat and thus the second boat as well will be suppressed.

Limitations of Base tracking (2D), Traffic tracking (3D), 2D / 3D traffic tracking modes:

- Updating a configured traffic detector from FW 7.75 to FW 8.10 is not possible. The traffic detector needs to be configured newly.
- Detection of traffic detector objects requires the object to be occluded by less than 50%.
- Top-down views (birds eye views) are not supported.
- 3D traffic requires calibration in order to be activated. It corrects object detections based on size and location, providing more stable tracking, speed and geolocation.
- Bikes seen from the front can be confused with persons as they look very similar. Also, bus and trucks may be confused.
- Rolling, crawling and camouflaged persons will not be detected.
- Not available on CPP13 in corridor mode 90° / 270° image rotation.

Limitations on panoramic cameras:

- The algorithms run on the warped image only, though the results can be transformed into de-warped image views.
- The calibration wizards are not available as they are based on straight lines not available in the warped image.

Limitations of geolocation:

- The camera needs to be calibrated and given a geolocation itself. Tracking is only possible on a single ground plane.
- Performance will be better if 3D tracking mode is enabled.
- A viewer to show the geolocations on a map is needed.
- On CPP4 AUTODOME / MICs, no geolocation is available during Intelligent Tracking.

Limitations of idle/removed object detection:

- Placed / taken object detection is most robust if the object placed or taken is much smaller than the object which handles it.

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- If a person places or removes a bike, the bike can be detected as placed / taken or as started / stopped as the bike is similar in size to the person. Therefore check for all idle / removed objects if this is of interest.
- Cars should always be detected as started / stopped objects as they are much larger than persons entering or leaving them.
- With Intelligent Video Analytics, in regions with much background movement only stopped objects will be detected. Activation of the detection all other idle / removed object types in these regions is only possible by deactivating the noise suppression.

Limitations of Camera Trainer:

- Training is only possible via the Configuration Manager. Minimum Configuration Manager version: 6.20
- Training samples are stored in the Configuration Manager. When needing to configure the Camera Trainer detectors from another computer, the samples need to be transferred by hand by saving the VCA configuration under VCA -> Main Operation on the computer with the samples, and loading the VCA configuration from the other computer. The Configuration Manager adds the samples to the VCA configuration and recovers them from there.
- Target objects must have distinct edge patterns which are different to anything else in the scene.
- Objects that are too similar to each other in their edge patterns cannot be separated. This includes not being able to distinguish different car models, person identification, wearing helmets or safety vests.
- Target objects in the image must have a similar size in pixels, similar perspective from the camera to them, similar pose and similar background.
- The object color filter is not available nor used for Camera Trainer objects.
- No 3D evaluation including geolocation or speed for Camera Trainer objects.
- Not usable for intrusion detection
- Minimum FW version: 7.10
- Camera trainer cannot run in parallel to 2D or 3D traffic tracking mode.

Limitations of tamper detection “camera moved”:

- Changes in the pan angle, or lateral changes of the camera, cannot be detected. In practice it is highly unlikely to conduct such a change of the camera positions without also influencing tilt and roll angles.
- Available on DINIONS and FLEXIDOMES of CPP7 and CPP7.3, with the exception of the 3000er series.
- Available on MIC IP fusion 9000 on prepositions configured with Intelligent Video Analytics.

5. System Requirements

- Configuration Manager 7.61 or newer

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Additional information:

- The software functionality is part of the firmware release 8.46 / 8.70 and higher, for the products listed to support it.
- Set-up of IVA Pro, Intelligent Video Analytics and Essential Video Analytics is achieved using Configuration Manager 7.61, which is available for download via the Bosch Website.
- IVA Pro, Intelligent Video Analytics and Essential Video Analytics consume CPU power – please check chapter 4 (Specific Explanations and Limitations) for details.
- Forensic Search is a system feature of Bosch Video Management System (BVMS) and BVMS Viewer.