VideolPath Monitor

Network Fault Management

Pro-active fault management with service correlation

VideolPath provides alarm monitoring functionality for integrated network elements and correlation with on-going services to identify potentially service affecting issues quickly. The system may be used on its own or integrated with other operation support systems.

Status information is typically retrieved from network elements using regular polling and notification mechanisms (e.g. SNMP traps). Details concerning how status information is retrieved for a specific device is captured in the driver for the device type.

A dashboard provides a centralized overview of the operational status of all equipment in the network. The dashboard is automatically populated based on detected equipment and the user is able to customize multiple dashboards for different parts of the network (e.g. one dashboard per site).

Alarms are presented in an alarm management user interface that allows the user to manage current alarms and browse or search for historic alarms recorded in the log. Alarms are automatically correlated per service allowing the user to view alarms related to a specific service.

Applications
- Supervision of wide-area, metro or in-campus broadcast networks
- Rapid identification of potentially service affecting issues
- Single point of integration with operation support systems (24/7)

Key features
- Overview all network elements including operational status
- Manage alarms related to services and network elements
- View the life-cycle of an alarm from when it is raised until it is cleared
- Search for historic alarms in the log
- View alarms related to services (based on correlation)
Dashboard

The dashboard app provides a centralized overview of the operational status of all equipment in the network. The dashboard is automatically populated based on detected equipment and the user is able to customize multiple dashboards for different parts of the network (e.g., one dashboard per site).

The display is customizable and allows you to reorder chassis or hide certain chassis from the display. User-friendly names may also be assigned to the chassis and it allows filtering of certain chassis types during operation.

The dashboard also allows you to browse directly to the element manager interface for the device. These requests may be proxied through the VideoIPath system to provide a central access point for management of the network resources.

The system tracks historical alarms and the dashboard allows you to view the operational status during a designated time period for historical analysis purposes.

The system also has the capability to correlate alarms against services within the system and provide service related details for so-called service affecting alarms.

Alarms

The alarms app provides an alarm supervision function, which allows the operator to manage both current and historical alarms for all integrated devices.

The alarms are presented in a list view with one row per alarm and columns showing a number of attributes. The alarm view may be grouped or searched based on any of the columns in the list.

The filtering function simplifies retrospective fault analysis and enables efficient alarm handling even with millions of alarms in the database. The filtering function is performed on the server-side and allows alarm records to be retrieved for a long time period without retrieving non-matching records to the client side.

The alarm view provides access to basic alarm management functions such as acknowledgment, comments, hide alarm etc.

The alarm log contains every alarm that has been received by the system and that is stored in the database. The search and filtering function allows the operator to retrieve alarms based on specific attributes or for a user specified time interval.

Alarms are automatically cleared and moved from the current alarm list to the alarm log when they are cleared by the device. VideoIPath relies on SNMP-V2 traps and uses a normalized trap format defined in the VideoIPath Northbound MIB (VIP-NB-MIB).

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- Service affecting events may be forwarded with the identity of the affected service
- Other events for devices monitored by the VideoIPath system may be forwarded
- Traps received from devices not monitored by the VideoIPath system may be forwarded (in this case the system acts as a proxy)

Other user interfaces

Alarm information

The following information is part of an alarm record in the system:

- Severity
- Alarm Name
- Alarm Description
- Node Name
- Device Name
- Device Type
- Status
- Last Changed

Northbound interface

VideoIPath supports forwarding of alarm information over an SNMP-based northbound interface to a higher level management system. The interface relies on SNMP V2c traps and uses a normalized trap format defined in the VideoIPath Northbound MIB (VIP-NB-MIB).

This northbound interface will forward events to one or more destinations. The destinations are configurable by the administrator of the system. It is also possible to provide filter criteria to only forward specific events. If the filter condition is met, the event will be forwarded to the specified destinations. Note that the configuration allows different filter criteria per destination.

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Ordering options

- VIP-SW-SERVER: VideoIPath hardware standard server Intel Xeon E5 32 GB RAM 500GB SSD drive Dual 100 GB network and power
- VIP-SW-PR: VideoIPath base platform license license fee per server includes 5 user licenses, includes alarm and inventory management functions, requires node licenses
- VIP-SW-NODE-A/B/C: VideoIPath node level A/B/C license fee per node added to the system, see guidelines for classification of node types
- VIP-SW-USER-5: VideoIPath level A/B/C node license fee per 5 simultaneous user sessions, includes 5 user licenses included with base platform
- VIP-SW-DRIVER-A/B/C: VideoIPath level A/B/C driver for third-party devices license fee per device type, contact Nevion pre-sales for classification of third-party devices
- VIP-SW-MANT-SUPPORT: VideoIPath maintenance support agreement

Number of concurrent clients per server 50
Number of network resources per server 5050
Hardware server Intel Xeon based, 1 rack-unit, disk mirroring (RAID1), dual 100 GB interfaces
Virtual server VideoIPath may be installed on VMware infrastructure (vRAM, vCPU and disk allocation depends on application)
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