Dataset: StreetSurfaceVis V1.0

StreetSurfaceVis is an image dataset containing 9,122 street-level images from Germany with labels on road surface type and quality. The CSV file streetSurfaceVis_v1_0.csv contains all image metadata. All images are available in four different sizes, based on the image width, in 256px, 1024px, 2048px and the original size. Folders containing the images are named according to the respective image size. Image files are named based on the mapillary_image_id.

Example images



Figure 1: Example images of different surface types and qualities, with Mapillary contributor names and image IDs.

Image metadata

Each CSV record contains information about one street-level image with the following attributes:

- mapillary_image_id: ID provided by Mapillary (see information below on Mapillary)
- user_id: Mapillary user ID of contributor
- user_name: Mapillary user name of contributor
- captured_at: timestamp, capture time of image
- longitude, latitude: location the image was captured at
- train: Suggestion to split train and test data. True for train data and False for test data. Test data contains data from 5 cities which are excluded in the training data.
- surface_type: Surface type of the road in the focal area (the center of the lower image half) of the image. Possible values: asphalt, concrete, paving_stones, sett, unpaved

• surface_quality: Surface quality of the road in the focal area of the image. Possible values: (1) excellent, (2) good, (3) intermediate, (4) bad, (5) very bad (see the attached Labling Guide document for details)

Image source

Images are obtained from **Mapillary** [1], a crowd-sourcing plattform for street-level imagery. More metadata about each image can be obtained via the **Mapillary API** [2]. User-generated images are shared by Mapillary under the CC-BY-SA License [3].

For each image, the dataset contains the mapillary_image_id and user_name: You can access user information on the Mapillary website by https://www.mapillary.com/app/user/<USER_NAME> and image information by https://www.mapillary.com/app/?focus=photo&pKey=<MAPILLARY_IMAGE_ID>

If you use the provided images, please adhere to the **terms of use of Mapillary** [4].



Figure 2: Mapillary Logo

- [1] https://www.mapillary.com/
- [2] https://www.mapillary.com/developer/api-documentation
- [3] https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/4.0/
- [4] https://www.mapillary.com/terms

Instances per class

Total number of images: 9,122

	excellent	good	intermediate	bad	very bad
asphalt	971	1696	821	246	
concrete	314	350	250	58	
paving stones	385	1063	519	70	
sett		129	694	540	
unpaved			326	387	303

For modeling, we recommend using a train-test split where the test data includes geospatially distinct areas, thereby ensuring the model's ability to generalize to unseen regions is tested. We propose five cities varying in population size and from different regions in Germany for testing - images are tagged accordingly.

Number of test images (train-test split): 776

Inter-rater-reliablility

Three annotators labeled the dataset, such that each image was annotated by one person. Annotators were encouraged to consult each other for a second opinion when uncertain. 1,800 images were annotated by all three annotators, resulting in a *Krippendorff's alpha* of 0.96 for surface type and 0.74 for surface quality.

Recommended image preprocessing

As the focal road located in the bottom center of the street-level image is labeled, it is recommended to crop images to their lower and middle half prior using for classification tasks.

This is an exemplary code for recommended image preprocessing in Python:

```
from PIL import Image
img = Image.open(image_path)
width, height = img.size
img_cropped = img.crop((0.25 * width, 0.5 * height, 0.75 * width, height))
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