



Building typologies for Norway: a case study for Oslo using machine learning

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Background

Seismic risk is the probability of losses occurring due to earthquakes at a specific place within a given time period. These losses can include human lives, social and economic disruption as well as material damage.



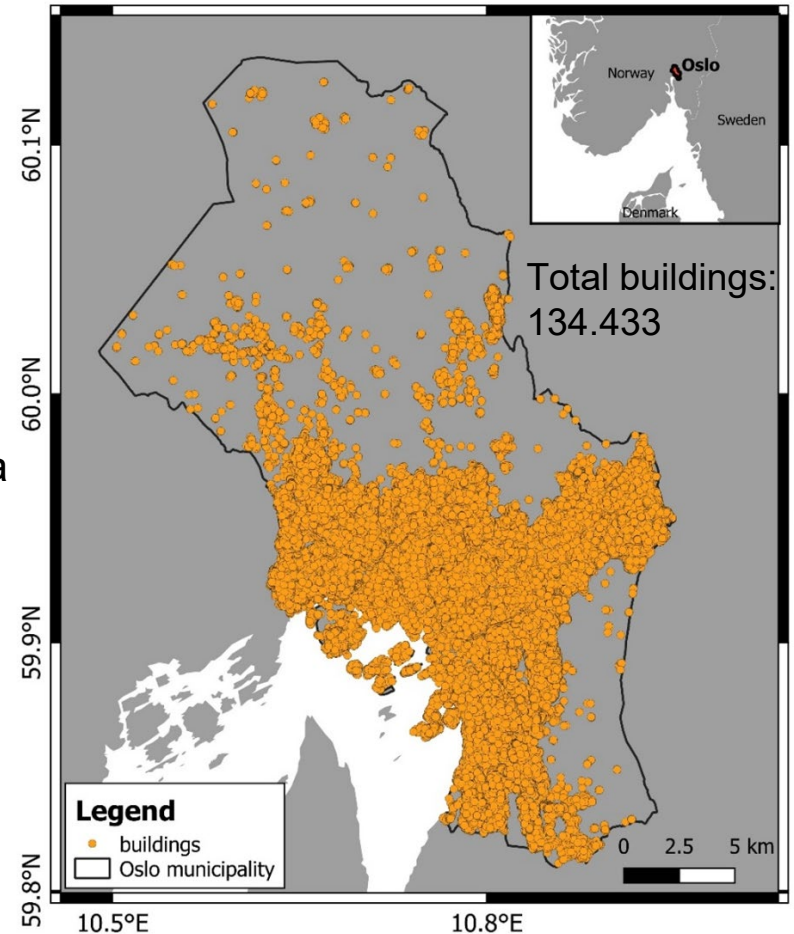
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Risk} &= \\ &\text{Hazard} \\ &\times \\ &\text{Vulnerability} \\ &\times \\ &\text{Exposure} \end{aligned}$$



Study area and Methodology

Steps to develop a Model Building Typology (MBT):

1. First overview from Google Earth
2. Detailed in-situ fieldwork:
 - ~500 pictures taken manually
 - Info about structural system and material data
3. Initial definition of 5 typologies
4. To confirm initial evaluation, survey questionnaire
5. Final MBT



Building typologies for Oslo (Norway)

Timber (T)



Unreinforced Masonry (MUR)



Reinforced Concrete (CR)



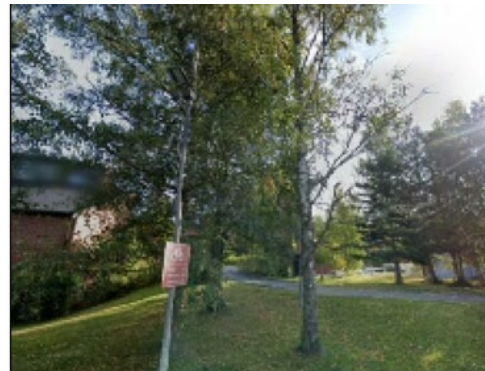
Composite (SRC)



Steel (S)

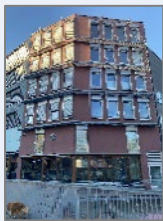


Other



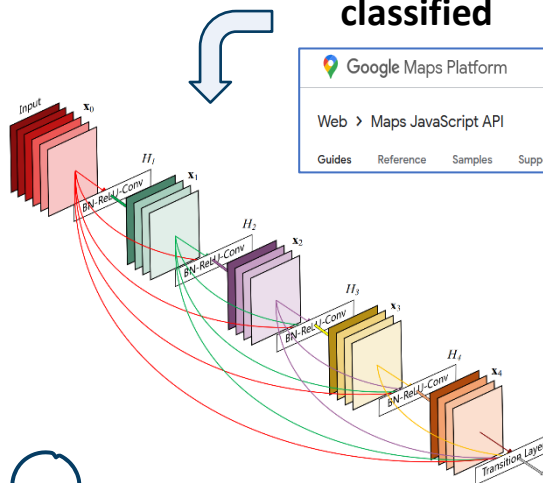
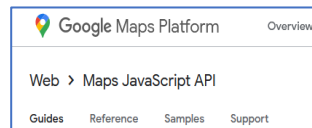
Workflow

**Collect images
in area of interest**



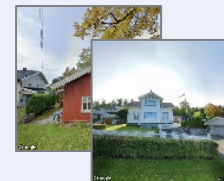
Camera and/or Streetview

**Get images
to be
classified**



**Automatically
label batches of
building images**

Timber



Reinforced
Concrete



Steel



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**Manually label a
representative set
(5074 images labelled)**

**Train a
classifier**

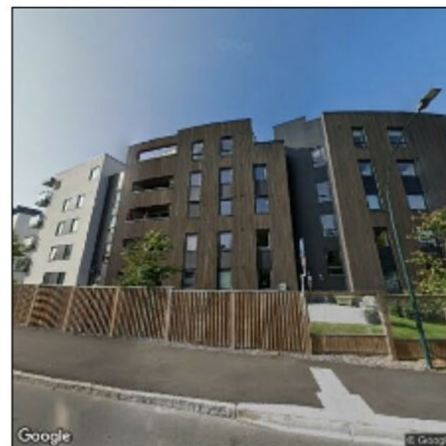
Performance

- Tested 11 architectures
- Using a *DenseNet201* model pretrained on the *ImageNet* dataset (*transfer learning*)
- **5074 images labelled** used for training and validating CNN model
 - 20% (1019 images) for test dataset
 - 4055 images to use for training

		Predicted					
		CR	MUR	S	SRC	T	Other
True	CR	0.73 (86)	0.03 (4)	0.03 (3)	0.02 (2)	0.09 (11)	0.10 (12)
	MUR	0.05 (5)	0.71 (76)	0.00 (0)	0.00 (0)	0.20 (21)	0.05 (5)
	S	0.18 (5)	0.00 (0)	0.57 (16)	0.00 (0)	0.11 (3)	0.14 (4)
	SRC	0.60 (12)	0.00 (0)	0.05 (1)	0.35 (7)	0.00 (0)	0.00 (0)
	T	0.01 (3)	0.01 (6)	0.00 (0)	0.00 (0)	0.89 (424)	0.09 (42)
	Other	0.02 (4)	0.00 (1)	0.01 (2)	0.00 (0)	0.12 (32)	0.87 (232)



true: T, predicted: T



true: SRC, predicted: CR

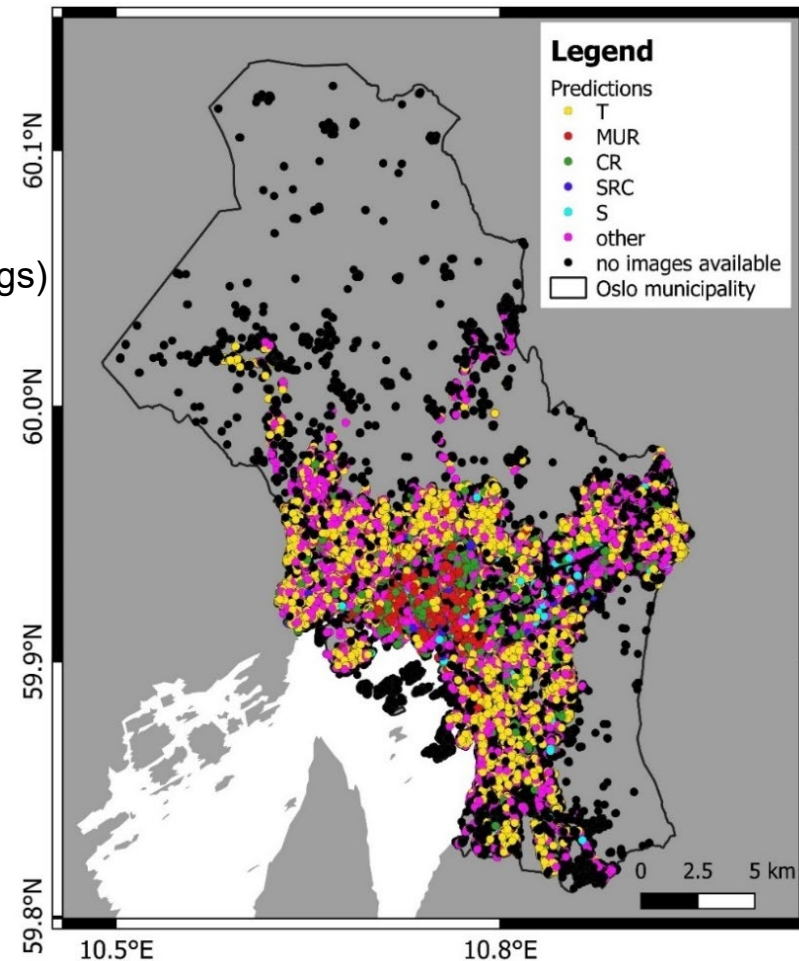


Results

Total buildings:134.432

No GSV images available: 35.093 (26% of total number of buildings)

Typologies	Number of buildings	%
T	56,305	56.7
MUR	7,979	8.0
CR	7,536	7.6
SRC	399	0.4
S	515	0.5
other	26,605	26.8



Conclusions

- Development of the **first Norwegian Model Building Typologies** using Oslo as a case study.
- Combining Convolutional Neural Network (CNNs) and publicly available street-level imagery can significantly contribute in terms of developing a **cost-effective building stock model** for a seismic risk assessment.
- Potential to apply same method to **other Nordic cities**, with or without additional re-training.
- <https://github.com/NorwegianSeismicArray/ML-for-building-typologies>



Paper (waiting for editor's final decision)

“Building stock classification using machine learning: a case study for Oslo, Norway”

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