Tunnel Asset Management SCE-DOD-FS & BE-CEM Collaboration Meeting

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Why Are We Here?

- Automate underground inspections as much as possible
- Reduce inspection time
- Reduce personnel presence in tunnels
- Objective inspection, to reduce report subjectivity
- Collaboration with University College Cork for R&D tunnel monitoring- how can we (SCE & BE) work better together?
- Implement R&D into future projects such as FCC

Agenda

- Roddy Cunningham (Fellow) to present methodology for LS2 underground inspections and results
- Darragh O'Brien (UCC Student) to present photogrammetry methodology and current status of studies
- Presentation of BE-CEM activities Mario di Castro
- General discussion and way forward



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Traditional Tunnel Inspections







Hand-written notes by engineer

Sketches and notes transcribed into Excel

Uploaded to EDMS (maybe...)





Asset Management Documentation

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Draft copies of documents will be updated following inspections:

- Policy & Strategy
- SMB-SE Plan (to be renamed)
- LS2 Inspection Plan
- LS2 Tunnel Inspection Reports 2280931

CCERNY Tunnel Asset Management Policy & Strategy	
(DMS 304027)	CERN Tunnel Asset Management Plan SM6-35 TDM5 200074
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LS2 Tunnel Inspections Progress Dashboard

EDMS 2280931 v0.1





Underground Structural Monitoring









Tell Tales (TT10, RB26 etc)

Extensometers (LHC P.4 headwall)

Manometers (LHC Sect 34) Fibre Optics in collaboration with UCC (TT10, Atlas cavern)



Monitoring Central Database

Q Filter







Monitoring equipment installed

Photos, details and location all recorded on TIC

Automatically uploaded to **CERN GIS**



Potential Collaboration Example

- In collaboration with BE-GM we are working to understand ground movement issues at sector 34.
- Beam alignment regularly a problem due to vertical movement of the tunnel structure
- Many installed monitoring that need read manually
- Access is limited and manual readings are not possible during run times
- Possibility of remotely taking photos of monitoring equipment?









Photogrammetry research

The main objective of research is to automatically detected and subsequently classify crack in tunnel lining images using a **Convolution Neural Network (CNN)**.

Outputs from the CNN

- 1. Numerical information on the crack % and crack type % in a tunnel.
- 2. A further breakdown of the numerical information into the chainage of the tunnel





CNN for Crack Detection

Using ~350 images of cracks from tunnels within CERN a database of 7600 smaller images of crack and non crack was created.

Using the technology of transfer leaning a CNN was developed to detect cracks in input images.

The CNN achieved an accuracy in training of ~ 97 % in relation to training and validation and out of sample test accuracy of 90%.

The CNN is now implementing the sliding window technique to detect cracks in larger Images.





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Original Image

Prediction Made







Classification of the Images



If a crack is detected in the stitched images it is then passed to be classified in 5 simple steps :

- 1. Images are processed.
- 2. Contours of the cracks located.



Classification of the Images



The stitched images are now ready to be classified in 5 steps :

- 1. Images are processed.
- 2. Contours of the cracks located.
- 3. Bounding Box put around the contours.
- 4. The angle of the bounding box defines the class.
- 5. Bounding box colour changes per class given.



Crack Detection Comparison with Previous Studies



- Precision shows how much of the detected cracks were actually cracks.
- Recall is a measure of how much of the actual cracks were detected



(d) original image 4



(i) detection in (d)

Differences

Previous work used an Intersection over Union (IoU) while current works use a CNN trained directly on smaller image sizes and implemented with the sliding window technique.



Aims of Photogrammetry Research

- A comparison of manually collected tunnel data vs CNN data for a selected section of tunnel potentially using BE image accusation technology (CERNbot or RP arm of the TIM) over a controlled designated length of tunnel.
- This would give an idea of the accuracy of the algorithm and indicative the feasibility of future implementation in replacing current inspection methodology.





Camera on the RP arm extending from TIM



CERNbot



Future works



- Future work to focus on crack classification rather than identification.
- Crack classification can be further developed by adding a dimensional aspect. This is currently not possible due to an absence of a dimensional aspect within images to reference from.
- Potential to add a fixed sized laser (or other reference item) during image acquisition to add a reference area.
- This would allow crack dimensions to be determined automatically.
- Further work should also concentrate on development of hardware (cameras, TIM adaptation, CERNbot)



Future PhD Student

- University of Cork PhD student (PJAS) to start in September 2021
- Academic years 1 & 4 in Cork and years 2 & 3 at CERN
- · Work to further develop crack classification software
- Relating observed tunnel defects to in-situ geotechnical conditions and tunnel structural features (e.g. tunnel junction)
- Reveal ageing tunnel performance in a large-scale continuous 3D space than previously available by conventional manual inspection
- Areas of study to be shared between
 photogrammetry and distributed fibre optic sensing





Discussion Points

- Capabilities of hi-resolution camera.
- Automatic crack width recognition.
- Hardware development and requirements for use in photogrammetry.
- The need for a TIM in FCC.

