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Extending Accuracy Assessment Procedures of Global Coverage Land Cover Maps through Spatial Association Analysis

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Motivations & Objectives

- Emerging availability of Global Land Cover (GLC) products driven by the modern EO platforms (frequent pass | high resolution | global coverage)
- The accuracy of GLC maps not always meets the users' requirements making the use of regional land cover maps often preferred
- The accuracy assessment of GLC maps still represents a pivotal task in order to promote the use of GLC map for local applications

The study focuses on the validation of the GlobeLand30 (GL30) map at a regional scale by empowering traditional accuracy assessment procedures with spatial association statistics and error patterns mapping





Case Study

The Lombardy Region, Northern Italy (~ 23870 km²)





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Data Collection

✓ GL30: the most frequently updated (2000, 2010, and 2015 announced) highresolution (30m) GLC multi-class (10) map currently available - (target map)





DUSAF: the official land cover (vector) maps of Lombardy Region at a scale 1:10000, employed as reference map for the classification accuracy

Code	GL30 Class	Definition
10	Cultivated Land	Lands used for agriculture, horticulture
		and gardens, including paddy fields,
		irrigated and dry farmland, vegetation
		and fruit gardens, etc.
20	Forest	Lands covered with trees, with
		vegetation cover over 30%, including
		deciduous and coniferous forests, and
		sparse woodland with cover 10 - 30%,
		etc.
30	Grassland	Lands covered by natural grass with
		cover over 10%, etc.
40	Shrubland	Lands covered with shrubs with cover
		over 30%, including deciduous and
		evergreen shrubs, and desert steppe with
		cover over 10%, etc.
50	Wetland	Lands covered with wetland plants and
		water bodies, including inland marsh,
		lake marsh, river floodplain wetland,
		forest/shrub wetland, peat bogs,
		mangrove and salt marsh, etc.
60	Water bodies	Water bodies in the land area, including
		river, lake, reservoir, fish pond, etc.
70	Tundra	Lands covered by lichen, moss, hardy
		perennial herb and shrubs in the polar
		regions, including shrub tundra,
		herbaceous tundra, wet tundra and barren
	A	tundra, etc.
80	Artificial	Lands modified by human activities,
	surfaces	including all kinds of nabitation,
		industrial and mining area, transportation
		facilities, and interior urban green zones
00	Donalon d	and water bodies, etc.
90	Багегана	Lanus with vegetation cover lower than
		10%, including desert, sandy fields,
		Gool, bare rocks, saline and alkaline
100	Dormonont	Ianus, etc.
100	Permanent	Lands covered by permanent snow,
1	snow and ice	giacici allu ice cap.



Data Processing

- DUSAF rasterized at 5m and harmonized with the GL30 in terms of classification legend
- To investigate error spatial patterns -> sub-pixel errors detection overlay procedure, designed and implemented by means of GRASS GIS for:
 - Preserving both the original resolution of the reference map and the spatial reference (ID) of the target map pixels
 - Obtaining a single table including pixel-wise disagreement counts (i.e. errors) for each class
- The table is processed by means of the DASK Python library -> multithreading computation for manipulating larger-than-memory datasets (> 10 GB in this case study)







Preliminary Results

/ Traditional Accuracy Assessment

The confusion matrix is extracted from the errors table

- The computed Overall Accuracy of the GL30 map is 79% for the Lombardy Region
- The agreement of class 40 (Forest) is the lowest, and that the highest confusion is between class 40 and class 20 (Shrubland)

Class		GlobeLand30								
		10	20	30	40	50	60	80	90	100
DUSAF	10	90	11	1	20	35	9	30	1	0
	20	5	79	13	42	16	3	2	7	0
	30	1	3	51	13	4	0	1	7	0
	40	0	3	10	14	0	0	0	5	0
	50	0	0	0	0	35	1	0	0	0
	60	0	0	0	0	8	83	0	0	0
	80	3	2	0	2	1	2	66	0	0
	90	0	1	24	8	1	1	0	79	19
	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	81

Class	PA	UA
10	90	82
20	79	79
30	51	40
40	14	23
50	35	39
60	83	94
80	66	82
90	79	79
100	81	88

Producer's and User's accuracy [%]

Normalized confusion matrix [%]



Preliminary Results

Error Spatial Patterns Investigation

Maps derived from the errors table -> visual insight into the spatial patterns of global, interclass, or intra-class errors

- Example: urban parks (Artificial Surface according to the GL30 legend). The sharp transition full agreement / full disagreements spotted on the map (a,b,c) indicates urban parks are often totally miss-classified (as Grassland) -> relevant missing objects or underlying issues in the reference map reclassification
- Partial disagreements (d,e,f) are expected along transitions between LC classes or areas with heterogeneous LC characteristics -> patterns represent reasonable errors due to the generally lower representation quality of the target map with respect to the reference one







Preliminary Results

Error Spatial Patterns Investigation

Measures of spatial association can be directly computed using the table

- Global Moran's I computed for the global error map is 0.80 -> marked positive spatial association)
- For highest and the lowest inter-class errors (40-20 and 40-80) the Moran's I is respectively 0.82 (a) and 0.62 (b) -> underlying connection between errors from the confusion matrix and the spatial association characterizing their patterns





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Conclusions

- The traditional accuracy assessment (confusion matrix) provides robust indicators to describe the global accuracy of land cover maps but no insights into the errors spatial distribution
- The proposed errors table provides with a comprehensive and compact input dataset to detailed accuracy assessments facilitating both visual and statistical analysis of error spatial patterns
- Results from the spatial association measures such as the Moran's I may uncover underlying error features providing alternative metrics to describe as well as link the clustering of errors to the classification accuracies
- The exclusive use of Free and Open Source Software provides the analysis with a potential to be empowered, replicated, and improved
- Parallel computing is critical to the application of the proposed error table format at a national/continental scale



Future Work

- Traditional Python libraries for spatial association analysis (i.e. PySAL) are optimized neither for parallel computing nor for working with big raster files. Development effort is required towards these directions
- The spatial association has not been exploited analytically in this first case study. However, the object-based classifier (adopted by the GL30 producers) may take advantage of accuracy assessment procedures that explicitly consider the spatial dependence of errors to improve classification accuracy. Design and testing of robust procedures (both global and local) are critical to unpin the benefits of the spatial association analysis alongside the traditional accuracy assessment



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Thank you for your attentionQuestions?

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FLOATING CAR DATA (FCD) FOR MOBILITY APPLICATIONS

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Outline



- 1. FCD on-board units as traffic sensors
- 2. Representativeness of the FCD sample
- 3. Traffic analysis
- 4. Conclusions



Floating Car Data (FCD)



- FCD are georeferenced data (e.g speed, direction of travel, time) collected by on board unit (OBU) mounted on vehicles
- OBU are coupled with different sensors (e.g. GNSS receiver, inertial platforms, accelerometers and odometers)



Floating Car Data (FCD)



FCD is becoming more and more relevant for mobility domain applications, addressing **physical sensors limitations**:

- geographical distribution
- inhomogeneity
- minor roads coverage
- costs

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Torino use case









Torino use case







FCD processing



- Open Transport Map (OTM) used as reference network dataset
- FCD positions uniquely assigned to OTM elements by proximity

Parameter	m
Minimum	0.00
Maximum	471.70
Mean	6.80
St. Dev.	13.21



Min. FCD positions	OTM elements covered	
1	22,259 (73%)	
10	9,867 (32%)	
50	1,632 (5%)	



HDOP patterns

- Horizontal Dilution Of Precision
- Street canyons affect GPS positioning -> shadowing and multipath effects







Freely available data from 124 sensors (out of the 3,400 installed in the municipality)





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Representativeness of the FCD sample

Time	N. of vehicles					
interval	Loop sensor	FCD	%			
17:00-18:00	93841	1033	1.1			
18-00-19:00	96121	1353	1.4			
19:00-20:00	85507	1067	1.2			
20:00-21:00	59688	506	0.8			
21:00-22:00	36584	319	0.9			
22:00-23:00	32866	242	0.7			
23:00-24:00	27272	216	0.8			
17:00-24:00	431879	4736	1.1			



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Representativeness of the FCD sample





Comparison with traffic sensors

Freely available data from 124 sensors (out of the 3,400 installed in the municipality)

Representativeness of the FCD sample





Number of vehicles



Road network elements classified in function of the **number of** unique **vehicles** that travelled on each specific road element in the morning rush hour



Mean speed





Mean speed value, considering all records available in the FCD sample, clearly highlight main roads and local roads



Travel times





The use of the timestamp associated to FCD data allows to calculate **mean speeds in the different moments of the day**, useful for estimating **dynamic travel times**



Travel distances





- FCD is in its nature trip -> extracting paths is an important step towards travel time estimation
- traffic that travels along major roads (crossing the city NNE to SSW and WNW to ESE) normally travels longer distances





Travel behaviors

Private cars vs. fleets



- Based on attribute identifying the type of vehicle (private car or fleet)
- dominance of private cars in evening hours
- dominance of fleets during the night and early morning hours



Travel behaviors



- Based on the **total length of path** crossing each census area
- Identification of the census areas hosting higher traffic flows
- major crossing census areas also identified





Conclusions



Cons:

- sample representativeness (~2% in Italy, according to FCD provider)
 Pros:
- overcoming some physical sensors limitations
- mobility patters detectable

Next research steps:

- more robust road elements assignation (uncertainties)
- **representativeness** to be further investigated
- reanalysis based on a longer time series
- compare analysis results with authoritative ones





Geomatics for Mobility Management

A comprehensive database model for Mobility Management



Introduction

SPATIAL

INTEGRATION



Urban transport has a large impact on the socio economic growth and in general on the quality of life of citizens.

SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT

Concept promoted by the European Commission

Mobility management is a key factor to provide integrated and real-time information

Data integration as key strategy Better managing to better inform

GIS as a solution to integrate the separated and vertical vision in a **spatial** and **horizontal** ones



Introduction



Design a comprehensive spatial data model for mobility management

as base for multi-thematic analysis and as a tool for decision support system



- It is possible to build a spatial data model independent by used ITS technologies? It can be reusable by different companies?
- Can the transition between ITS and GIS be automated?
- How a comprehensive spatial data model can enable transport data integration?

Methodology







Mobility data issues



In transport management approach the network infrastructure defines the transport supply

Graph model is the most used way to represent transport supply as it allows to solve most common network and routing problems.

- *Node* represents an object of interest
- Link represents a relationship between two nodes
- *Path* is an alternating sequence of nodes and links
- *Cost* is a numeric attribute associated with links or nodes





Static mobility data



Fixed traffic detectors (Induction loops, Microwave sensors, Ultrasound sensors, Doppler Radar, Wireless magnetic field) Urban Traffic Control (UTC) system (loops + stations + traffic lights) Cameras Floating Car Data (FCD)

Informative panels

Fixed/mobile Specific purposes (VMS-T, VMS-Z, VMS-P, VIA)

Points of interest and other objects

Bollards Restricted Access Area Gates Autovelox Parking areas Public Transport Stops, Stations and Depots, bike and car sharing stations Weather Stations


Dynamic mobility data



Dynamic and real-time data

Raw measures

Flow, speed, vehicles count, travel time, vehicle positions Temporal range: 1/5/15 minutes Sources: fixed detectors (loops and cameras)and FCD

Aggregated measures

Mean Flow, Mean speed, Mean Travel Time, Level of Service – realtime and forecasted Temporal range: 5/15/30/45/60 minutes Sources: Regional and Metropolitan Supervisor software





Traffic events

- Protocols for information exchange between agencies;
- XML encoding format;
- Complex system of categorization;

Dynamic mobility data





Linear referencing techniques for the correct positioning of an event.



The conceptual data model



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The conceptual data model







The conceptual data model

Aggregations and compositions



The logical and physical data model

Road Network elements - logical



Zlevel: int Type: NodeType

- Abstract classes with a set of common attributes (from INSPIRE)
- Relationships defined at attribute level (primary and foreign key)
- Grouping of network links
- Explicit topological relationships
- Attributes for linear referencing
- Code lists (from INSPIRE)



The logical and physical data model

Road Network elements - physical

- Abstract classes with a set of common attributes (from INSPIRE)
- Attribute data type definition + default values
- Explicit relationships classes
- Tailored on 5T data (specific attributes and objects)
- Attributes for linear referencing
- *Street* as the only spatial feature object





The logical and physical data model

- Child elements of *PointOnLink*
- Separation of geometric features and related properties
- Grouping of point objects





- Definition of specific traffic detectors types of 5T
- Use of subtypes
- Relationship classes define grouping of point objects

Data modelling The logical and physical data model Ancillary traffic elements relationships – physical

- Relationship classes to link traffic detectors and arcs
- Specific attributes for linear referencing (both TMC and ArcGIS engine)



Data modelling The logical and physical data model Measures and events – logical

- Temporal and measures types attributes derived from O&M standard
- TMC linear referencing attributes for traffic events
- Types of traffic events derived from DATEX



Data modelling The logical and physical data model Traffic Measures – physical



• Generic relationships classes to define the relationship between measures and abstract spatial objects, as a generic template for specific measure extraction



The logical and physical data model

Traffic Measures – physical



• Use of subtypes to define traffic measures types and default values for unit of measure



The logical and physical data model

Traffic Events – physical



- Reference to spatial objects defined only by attributes
- Use of TMC location referencing system, implemented in ArcGIS through a custom script



Page NodeEndsLink Page NodeStartsLink

> Path Pilomat

StrtSVR

VMS

ParkingFacility PastaSensor

Spots2Group SpotUTC

TrafficEvent TrafficMeasure

SpotUTCGroup

WeatherStation

Ancillary Traffic Elements

- Composite primary key creation
- Attribute matching between values and code lists
- Linear referencing with ArcGIS

Measures and Traffic Events

- Measures extraction scripts ("group by" queries)
- ArcGIS custom script for traffic events linear referencing on TCM locations



Applications Elements visualisation

Visualisation and queries of fixed ancillary traffic elements





Applications Measures visualisation



UTC measures at peak and non-peak hour (flow, speed, queues)



Applications Measures visualisation





Measures from Metropolitan Supervisor, travel time normalised at peak hour

Applications

15 minutes



0.9

Network analysis with real impedances Service areas at peak and non-peak hour

Network analysis - Service Area Network analysis - Service Area Using Travel Time measures on Arc, calculated by SVM Using Travel Time measures on Arc, calculated by SVM 07th February 2018 [8:20 - 8:25] 07th February 2018 [15:20 - 15:25] Fire Station Fire Station Cut-off time Cut-off time 5 minutes 5 minutes 10 minutes 10 minutes

15 minutes

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Applications Network analysis with real impedances



Route with minimum lenght

Best route calculation using different types of impedances (flows, travel time, length)

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Comprehensive spatial data model

• A concrete proposal of <u>dictionary and relationships for ancillary traffic data</u> (generally poor in transport standards)

Conclusions

Results

• Good basis for reports and analysis, not suitable for operational activities

Data and model reuse

- Possibility to reuse a various types of measures and events and good performance thanks to ad hoc queries extraction and measure aggregations
- Logical data model can be adapted for other agencies and other DBMS (technology independent)
- Physical data model and ETL script highly dependent from the ITS technology

ITS to desktop GIS data transition

The process cannot be automated and reused in different contexts, but good practices and general procedures can be defined



Conclusions Further developments



Additional elements for spatial data model

- Operational and management aspects of ancillary traffic elements (status, connection types, diagnostics, IP...)
- Real time and complex type data (as cameras outputs, VMS messages...)
- Integration of travel demand (O/D matrix)
- Most sophisticated network analysis as "what if" scenarios
- Specification of public transport components and measures (defined only at conceptual level)
- Integration of slow and sharing mobility elements (bicycles paths, bike and car sharing stations)
- Adoption of DATEX II dictionary and OpenLR location system for traffic events





Thank you for your attention!





Road network comparison and matching techniques

A workflow proposal for the integration of Traffic Message Channel and Open Source network datasets



Introduction

ITS & Geo Big Data



Research goals:

- Conflate different road network
- Locate and manage traffic measure in a GIS environment
- Reuse of traffic measures







Road Network Data



Comparison and quality assessment of Open Source Road Network Data Sets

- Spatial Completeness
- Attribute Completness
- Topology Correctness



Open Street Map

Street as a vector

A one-way residential street, tagged as highway=residential + name=Clipstone Street + oneway=yes



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HERE - NavStreetData

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Data pre – processing

- <u>Spatial processing:</u>
 - Selection of OSM&OTM roads within 5, 10 and 30 meters of distance from the HERE Navstreet Data
- <u>Attribute processing:</u>
 - Exlusion of cycleways, pedestrian path and unpaved roads

GOAL \rightarrow 1:1 correspondance at object level





	Total <mark>k</mark> m	Features count
NAVSTREETS Street Data	48.935,19	406.291
OpenStreetMap 5m	66.052,86	203.304
OpenStreetMap 10 m	67.454,18	210.398
OpenStreetMap 30 m	69.335,58	220.199
OpenTransportMap 5 m	81.406,44	498.966
OpenTransportMap 10 m	83.259,50	514.430
OpenTransportMap 30 m	85.847,40	534.555









Functional classification

NAVSTREETS	OSM	ОТМ
1	motorway, motorway_link, trunk, trunk_link	mainRoad
2	primary, primary_link	firstClass
3	secondary, secondary_link	secondCLass
4	tertiary, tertiary link	thirdClass
5	all other values	fourthClass and fifthClass



Data comparison for Functional Class - km [%]

1







Features without name [%]




Data comparison and assessment



Topology	Feature Mean Length	N° of Features	Must Not Self-overlap	Must not Self- intersect
NAVSTREETS Street Data	0,127	406.291	0	0
OpenStreetMap	0,331	255.984	44	74
OpenTransportMap	0,183	609.952	5	15
OpenStreetMap - FeatureToLine	0,170	481.524	0	0



Traffic measures Open Data



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S.I.Mo.Ne Italian Standard (DATEX I Implementation)

- Protocol to exchange dynamic traffic information between traffic management operators
- Location encoded using:
 - WGS 84 coordinates:
 - **TMC location referencing** •





Data conflation procedure



Transferring TMC attibutes to OTM road network

Achieved using PostGIS&PGRouting functions



2 Main steps:

- 1. Matching between OTM nodes (intersections) and TMC Location Point
- 2. Routing between two consecutives points on the OTM network

Data conflation procedure



One TMC point can be related to one or more OTM points:

- Selection of OTM points representing a crossing (grade of the node > 2)
- 2. Association of the names of the roads to the OTM crossing nodes
- 3. Selection of the OTM nodes to be associated with TMC points through: proximity and similarity of the associated names (Levenstain index)

At the end of this process we still don't know if the OTM points selected are the right one – in particular we don't know if the node is the one in the correct direction of flow (valid for double digitised roads)

Data conflation procedure



- A routing algorithm using PostgisRouting has been set up (selection of preferential roads...)
- Find the route between two couples of OTM points following the rules of connection defined in the TMC
- Between multiple solutions only the ones with the minimum distance and minimum number of turns has been considered
- The resultant paths have been associated to the OTM network, adding an attribute which identify a TMC road in negative or positive direction)
- Results is correct for 83% of the considered TMC roads: in some cases the solution found was incorrect or no solution has been found by the routing algorithm → a manual revision is always needed!



Data visualisation

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Turin Traffic Data



Historical

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Data visualisation

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The procedure may be applied in future for the whole Italian network

Testing cities	Turin	Milan	Padua	Rome	Naples
Rates of correctly located TMC roads	83%	78%	53%	79%	59%

The use of TMC is indeed encouraged by the Italian Smart Road Initiative.

The result is a first step to overcome the use of commercial road data, in car navigation systems, public adminstrations and Traffic Operation Centers

Further developments:

- Visualising a set of linear traffic events
- Using processed data for traffic perturbation analysis during particular events
- Methods and strategies to efficiently store and query these Geo Big Data





Thank you for your attention!





UPDATING A ROAD NETWORK DATASET EXPLOITING THE RESULTS **OF SEMANTIC SEGMENTATION TECHNIQUES APPLIED TO STREET-**LEVEL IMAGERY

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Outline



- 1. Traffic signs inventories: issues and opportunities
- 2. Traffic signs automatic recognition
- 3. Operational exploitation of traffic signs datasets
- 4. Conclusions



Traffic signs inventories

- While setting up a road network:
 - speed limits
 - restricted access
 - breakthrough prohibition signs



- Support road concessionaires during installation and maintenance
 - in 2006, the Torino municipality issued a special contract specification document for traffic signs ordinary maintenance for a total value of 530.000 €



Traffic signs inventories



Inventories are rarely existing and their generation is highly demanding

	Clo	vis, New Mexico, USA
	Clovis, New Mexico, L	ISA Torino, Italy
Area (km ²)	62	130 (+ 52%)
Urban roads (km)	441	2.2 <mark>32 (</mark> + 80%)
Traffic signs	4.000	8.000 - 20.000
lventory cost (€) [*]	14.000 - 21.000	33.000 – 120.000
* 4-6 US\$ per traffic	sign	





Street-level images



is a **street-level imagery** acquisition, storage and pubblication platform





Street-level images



supports **organizations** to easily create and share street-level imagery and automatically extracted data to keep maps and geospatial datasets up to date



Semantic segmentation





adopt the well-established photogrammetric algorithm Structure from Motion (SfM) to create and reconstruct surfaces in 3D





Semantic segmentation





runs semantic segmentation to recognise features on

images



Pixel-wise labeling with 97 classes



Traffic sign recognition Over 1500 signs in 100 countries



Semantic segmentation





semantic segmentation together with 3D reconstruction enables to extract 3D coordinates of the detected objects







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Verification by Mapillary community



members contributed in verifying 1,000,000 traffic signs, leading to significant improvements in recognition accuracy







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Impact on maintenance and authorization



Incorrect interpretation





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Recognition even with unfavourable geometry acquisition settings



Low sensitivity



Conclusions



Mapillary traffic sign recognition process is an interesting and unique dataset that can be further improved by:

- taking **track directions** of the processed frames into consideration
- benchmarking error margins of the output data using a variety of devices compared against data with known accuracy standards
- increase the quality of input data (e.g. dual frequency GPS, better image sensors in sub-optimal conditions, training/education on the best set-up/operational procedures)



DSM AND DTM FOR EXTRACTING 3D BUILDING MODELS: ADVANTAGES AND LIMITATIONS

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SUMMARY

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Using multiple sources of 3D information over buildings to go from building footprints (LOD0) to higher LODs in CityGML models is a widely investigated topic. In this investigation we propose to use a very common 2.5D product, i.e. digital terrain and surface models (DTMs and DSMs), to test how much they can contribute to improve a CityGML model. The minimal information required to represents a 3 dimensional space in an urban environment is the combination of a DTM, the footprints of buildings and their heights; in this way a representation of urban environment to define LOD1 CityGML is guaranteed. In this paper we discuss the following research questions: can DTMs and DSMs provide significant information for modelling buildings at higher LODs? What characteristics can be extracted depending on the ground sampling distance (GSD) of the DTM/DSM? Results show that the used DTM/DSM at 1 m GSD provides potential significant information for higher LODs and that the conversion of the unstructured point cloud to a regular grid helps in defining single buildings using connected component analysis. Regularization of the original point cloud does loose accuracy of the source information due to smoothing or interpolation, but has the advantage of providing a

THE PROJECT

Within the Urban-Geo Big Data project (Brovelli et al., 2017) an Italian project of national interest (PRIN 2015), a large amount of cartographic data related to some of the main Italian cities was collected. Amongst the targets of the project, there is a need to identify standards for the extract transform and load (ETL) process of conversion from cartographic vector models to 3D CityGML models.



predictable distance between points, thus allowing to join points belonging to the same building and provide initial primitives for further modelling.

STUDY AREA

The metropolitan city of Naples with a population of over three million people is the third metropolitan Italian city by number of inhabitants, while it is first in population density. The entire metropolitan area covers an area of 1,171 km² and includes 92 municipalities.



RESULTS

A total of ~11 million points, i.e. cell centers, overlap building footprints. Residuals between from lidar-derived raster height models and heights of buildings from cartographic shapefiles attributes are shown in Figure 4 below. It was calculated by finding the lowest roof-point in each polygon representing the building footprint, and subtracting it from the building absolute height at heave, derived from adding building height at heave to Z value of polygon to get height above sea level. LiDAR heights are referred to geoid height above mean sea level. Results show differences in all buildings analysed (15000 buildings). Distribution of residuals between cartographic building heights and LiDAR-derived heights have an average of -1.3 m and a standard deviation of 4.15 m. This result is in line with accuracy that is expected from the 1:10000 scale, considering higher residuals due to errors defining the lidar point in the roof that represents heave heights.

METHODS

The LiDAR data are converted to a regularly spaced point cloud representing the center of a 1 m x 1 m cell. Each building roof will therefore have a number of height values depending on the area of the roof.

Intersecting each point grid with the polygons described in the cartographic dataset, that represent the footprint of buildings, we obtain both a distribution of height values at heaves for each building - using the lowest points inside the polygon – and the distribution of heights that represent the roof shape. These values can be used to (i) obtain values of building elevation in the cartographic dataset (ii) carry out statistical surveys aimed at estimating the type of roof (main objective of this work), and (iii) analyse residuals and discuss applicability of assigning building height from lidar-derived raster height models.





Residuals frequency distribution calculated by adding building height to ground height above sea level and subtracting lidar height

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cartographic sources



CONCLUSIONS

The work described shows that significant information is present in commonly used LiDARderived products, i.e. dense DTMs and DSMs. Conversion of the unstructured point cloud to a regularly spaced grid helps in providing spacerelated information to support removing isolated parts that do not belong to roofs. The point sets have an id related to the building footprint thanks to spatial intersection and are thus available for further modelling of roofs to CityGML schema, and support LOD2 object creation. This last step is not the focus of this work, but several investigations are available in literature. Added value of LiDAR surveys over urban areas is a known fact, and this work further supports the idea that dense DTM/DSMs can be very important for urban city modelling.



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