

Real-time road weather data in winter maintenance of cycling routes

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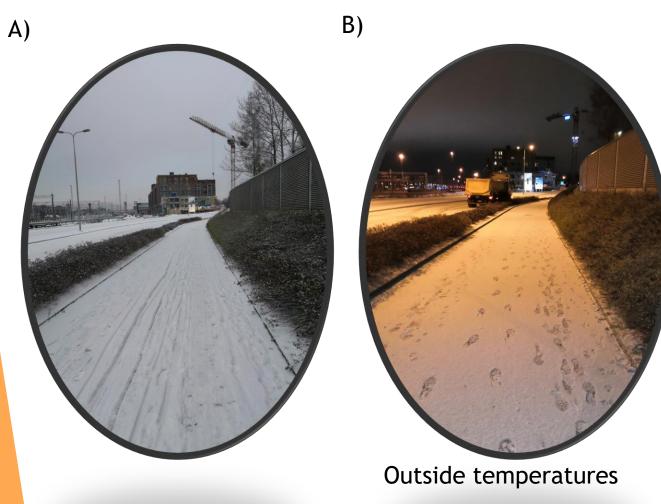


This is ultimately the case...





Can you distinguish slippery?



-2,1°C

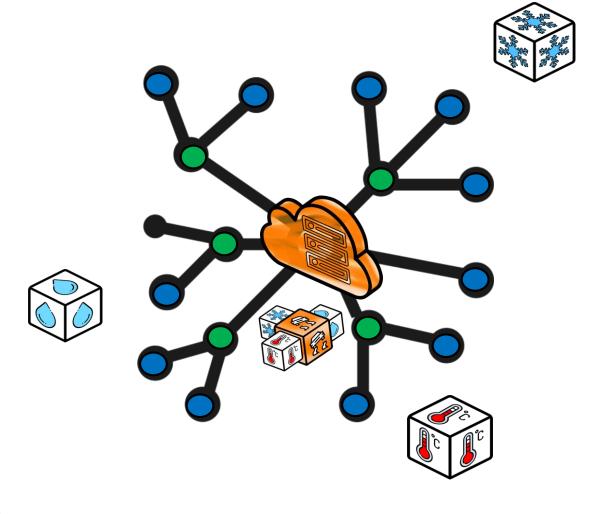


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0°C KUNTO TEKNIIKKA

+1,5°C

From data...



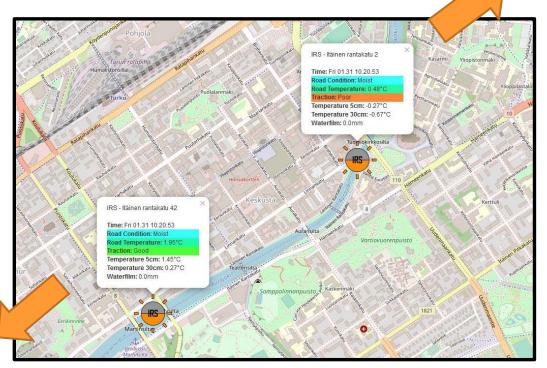








...to monitoring



Alarms

Example picture of condition status in test route of Turku at IW RWS service.

Weather Guard



What can be achieved?



reducing slip and fall accidents



automated monitoring of road quality requirements



✓ optimizing timing and cost of winter maintenance operations



new information and services to users



✓ platform services for e.g. meteorological and navigational trades



Test route in Turku

What, where and how?

- started in winter 2017-18
- a part of Civitas Eccentric project
- ▶ 12 kilometers long
- selected based on actual usage and numbers
- brushing and de-icing salt as methods

Goals:

- keeping the route free from snow and achieving a better grid
- increased numbers of winter cyclists
- collecting information about effectiveness of the tested method
- a follow-up for the pilot in the near future





Feedback from the test route users

- As a rule, the street operator and users have been pleased with the route. Operator has mentioned following notices from users:
 - route length (demand for more)
 - route attractiveness
 - increased safety along the route

- rusting on bicycles
- dirt on shoes
- dirt on real estate entrances and corridors



Tools for monitoring

1) Stationary measurements on routes



IRS31pro-UMB (Intelligent Road Sensor)

- ✓ temperature: surface, 5 cm, 30 cm
- ✓ water film height
- ✓ salinity: amount of salt and its quality
- ✓ condition status
- √ friction (calculated)

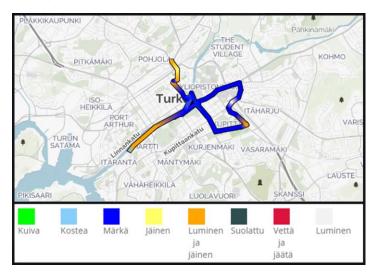
StaRWIS-UMB (Stationary Road Weather Information Sensor)

- √ temperature: surface
- ✓ relative humidity
- ✓ water film height
- √ dew point temperature
- ✓ condition status
- √ friction (calculated)





2) Mobile measurements in route









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Back then and currently

- no quality training for contractors
 - → contractors more committed to quality
- no sensor data available
 - → route data provides real-time and reliable information
- large amounts of unprocessed data
 - → smart presentations of big data
- limited data sharing
 - → combining knowledge with different parties
- many potential users missing
 - → leading the way towards platform economy















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Thank you for your attention!

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