

DIGITAL INSPECTION AND AUTOMATED PREDICTION OF ROAD DEFECTS AND DETERIORATION

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1. Introduction



Introducing myself

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QUALIFICATIONS

- Business Administration
- Civil Engineering

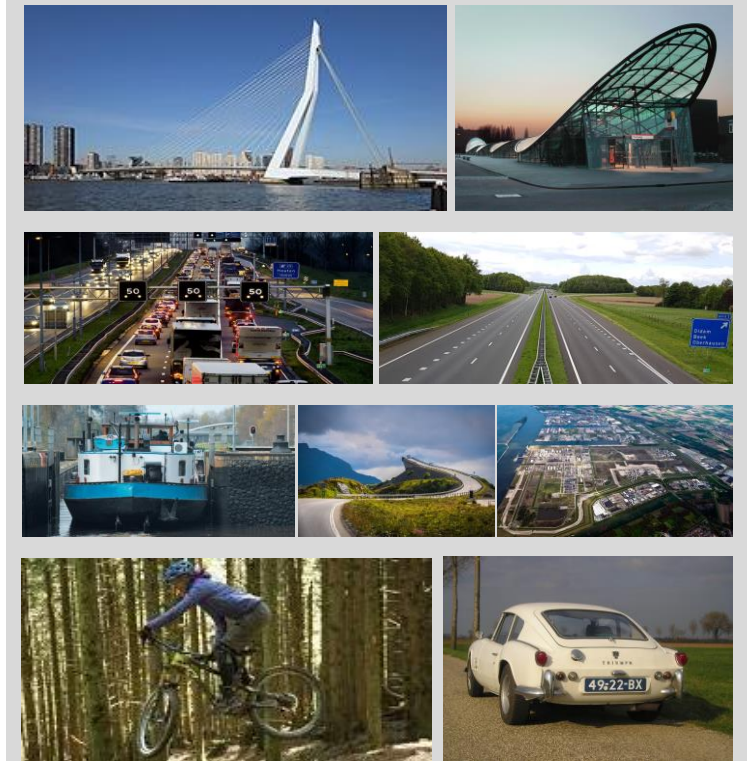


EXPERIENCES

- **1995-2001 Municipality of Rotterdam**
Consultant in civil structures: Erasmus Bridge Rotterdam, Metro line tunnel, High Speed Rail
- **2001- 2010 Arcadis**
Project manager in Urban infrastructure, Area and Site development, Water, Dikes and Sewers
- **2007-2012 Arcadis**
Team manager Urban Infrastructure, Water hydraulics, Site Development
- **2013-now Arcadis**
Head advisory Group Asset Management Roads

WHAT I LIKE

- Mountainbiking in a country without hills
- Driving an English classic car left hand drive



Arcadis Global – At a Glance

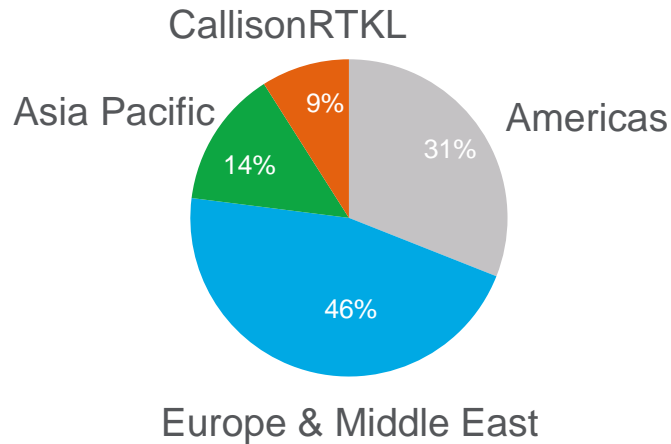
Global market position: Top-3 in Design & Consultancy
Recognized in Buildings – Environment – Water – Infrastructure

€ 3.3 bn
2018 GROSS REVENUE

~ 28,000
PEOPLE WORLDWIDE

70+
COUNTRIES WHERE ARCADIS
DELIVERS PROJECTS

GROSS REVENUE BREAKDOWN BY SEGMENT



Business in Operate & Maintain – 3 service delivery models

1 Consulting & Technical Advise

- Working as a trusted consultant or technical advisor for clients on the basis of a fixed fee, time & material or on the basis of value (success fee)

Consulting:

Invest portfolio for airports (TotEx)
Value framework for ports



Technical advise

Multi-year program for bridges including inspection, risk analysis, programming, planning of maintenance and long-term investments



2 Partnering with contractors

- Collaborate with contractors in a joint venture for O&M related work, with focus on the asset management part
- Contract time frame 3-10 years

AssetRail:

Performance-based maintenance contract for ProRail (rail system, landscape)



Sherpa:

Performance-based maintenance contract for Rijkswaterstaat (bridges, locks, barriers)



3 As delegated asset manager

- Take (full) responsibility or act as an asset manager between the asset owner and the contractor, including contracting the work to subcontractors
- Contract time frame 3-10 years

Waterwolf Tunnel:

Performance-based contract for operation and maintenance of 3 tunnels in the province of Noord-Holland



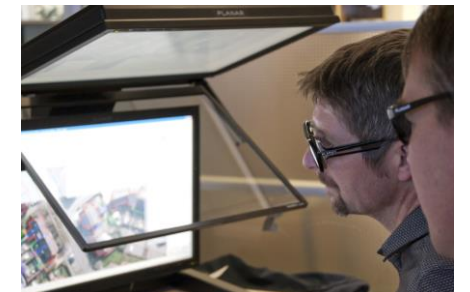
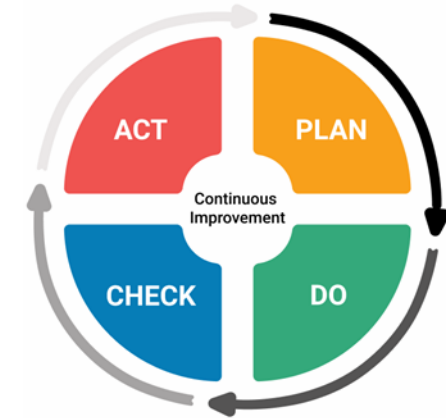
2. Operate & Maintain, Asset Management Roads, motivation

Start development digital inspections

- Asked by client (Contractor) for Performance based contract of motorway maintenance.
- good position at client's side on 4 Performance Based Maintenance Contracts of motorways (> 1000 km)
- to determine road surface quality could be a giant job
- usual way was inspectors on the road: *expensive and safety issue*
- to be cost effective → use footage and utilize our Global Excellence Center

Our journey

- Challenge: learn deterioration skills to foreigners
- instruct - educate – procedures – ameliorate – travel - redefine
- after 4 years: experienced team, 6 fte, 8 months a year.
- consistent and efficient product
- contributes to our asset management approach → asset condition is the base for programming maintenance



digital road inspections

3. Digital Road inspections

1) Guard rails

- Crooked position
- Corrosion
- Sag
- Deformation
- Surface damage
- Obstacle
- Parts missing
- Function absent

2) Asphalt

- Ravelling
- Cracks
- Crackles
- Rutting
- Unevenness
- Edge damage
- Potholes
- Surface damage
- Weed growth
- Sag
- Puddles
- Fauna victim
- Pollution
- Function absent

3) Markings

- Marking incorrect

4) Portals

- Corrosion
- Posters
- Graffiti
- Surface damage
- Parts missing
- Algae
- Obstacle
- Deformation

5) Shoulders

- Dense growth by tree/bush
- Holes
- Obstacle
- Puddles
- Driving tracks
- Wash-out
- Pollution by litter
- Damage by wildlife
- Grass vegetation damaged

6) Road signs and furniture

- Posters
- Function, absent
- Graffiti
- Surface damage
- Crooked position
- Dirt
- Lamp posts

Road defects

4. Development of Data analytics

Moving on

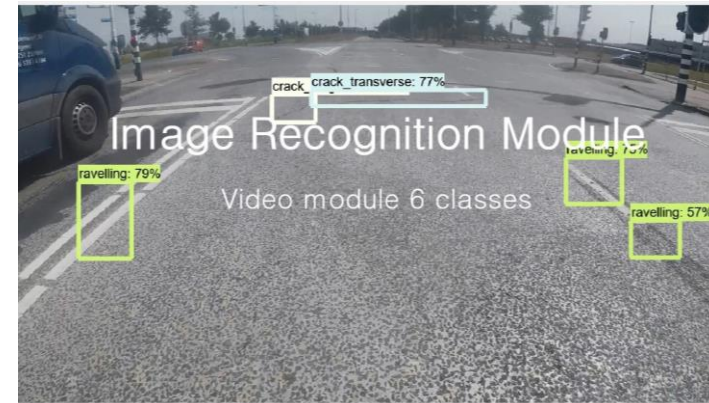
- a perfect structured approach and procedures
 - upward trend of machine learning
- lets combine it!



Start → progress → machine learning



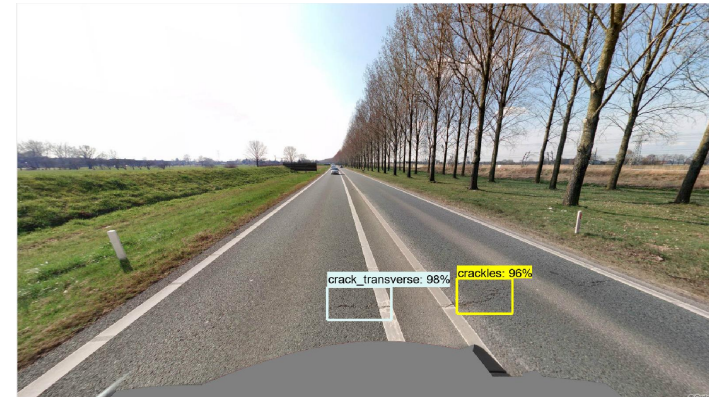
First step with a Youtube movie



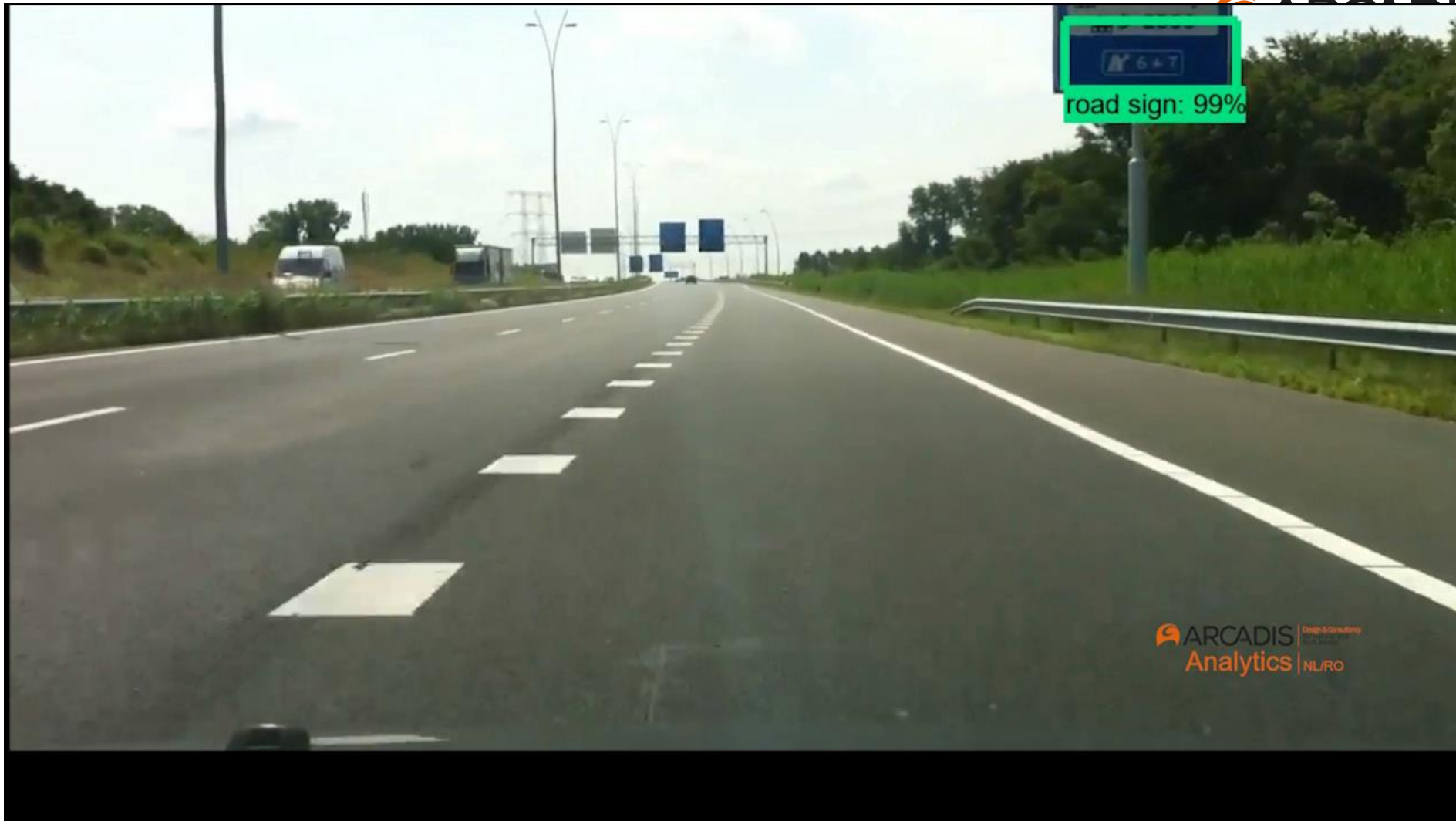
Result of second step



Second step with own car and GoPro-camera



Result of second step with professional footage



Step 1. with a Youtube movie



Step 2. With own car and GoPro-camera



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Pause

Stop

Next frame

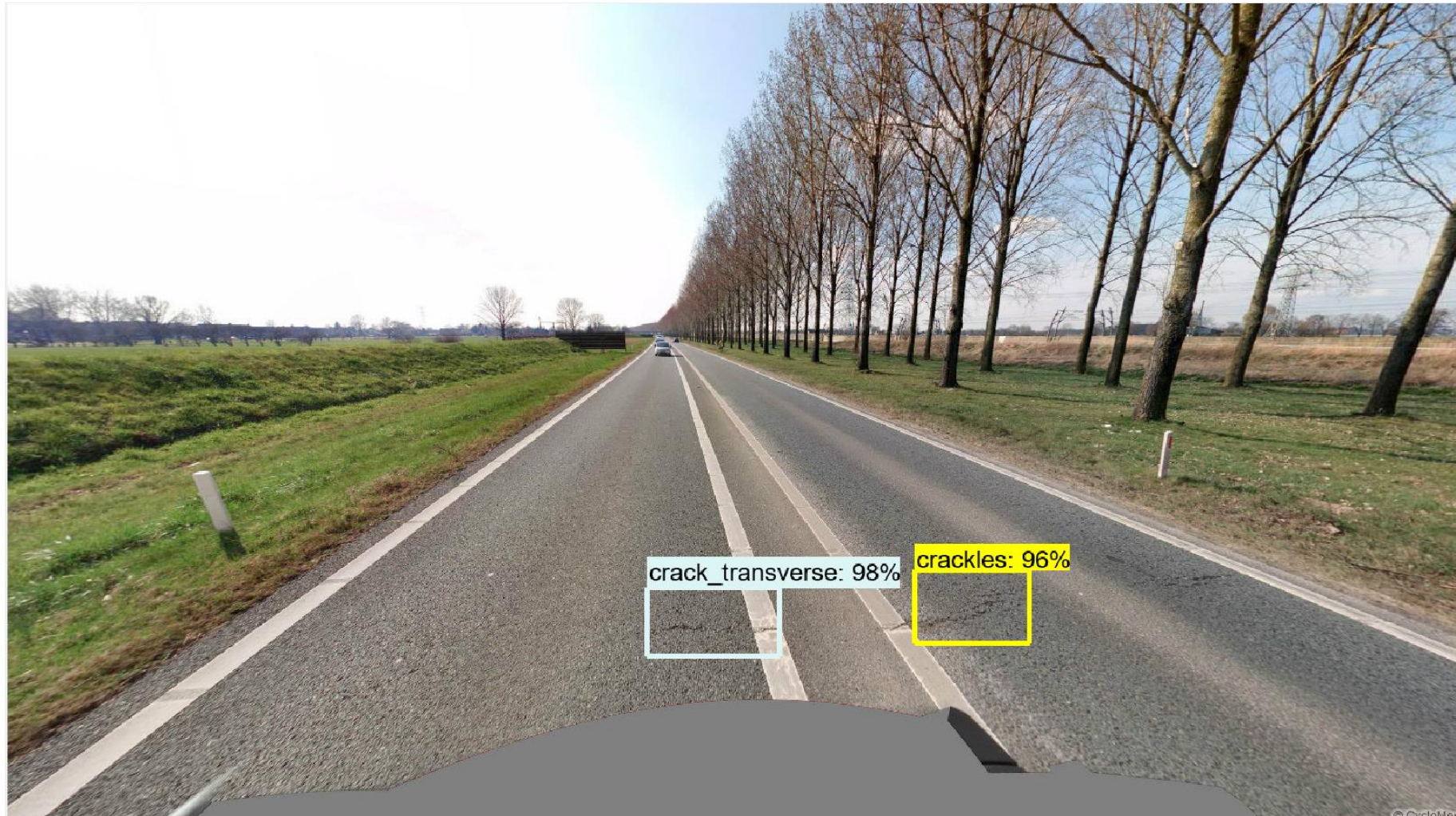
Previous frame

Export to file

Quit Video



Step 3. Result of second step



Step 4. Result of second step with professional footage

Train the model

- Data Augmentation (>25000 pictures)
- Labelling the defects by hand

Defect in normal image



-1°, -2°, -3°, >, +1°, +2°, +3°, >



horizontal

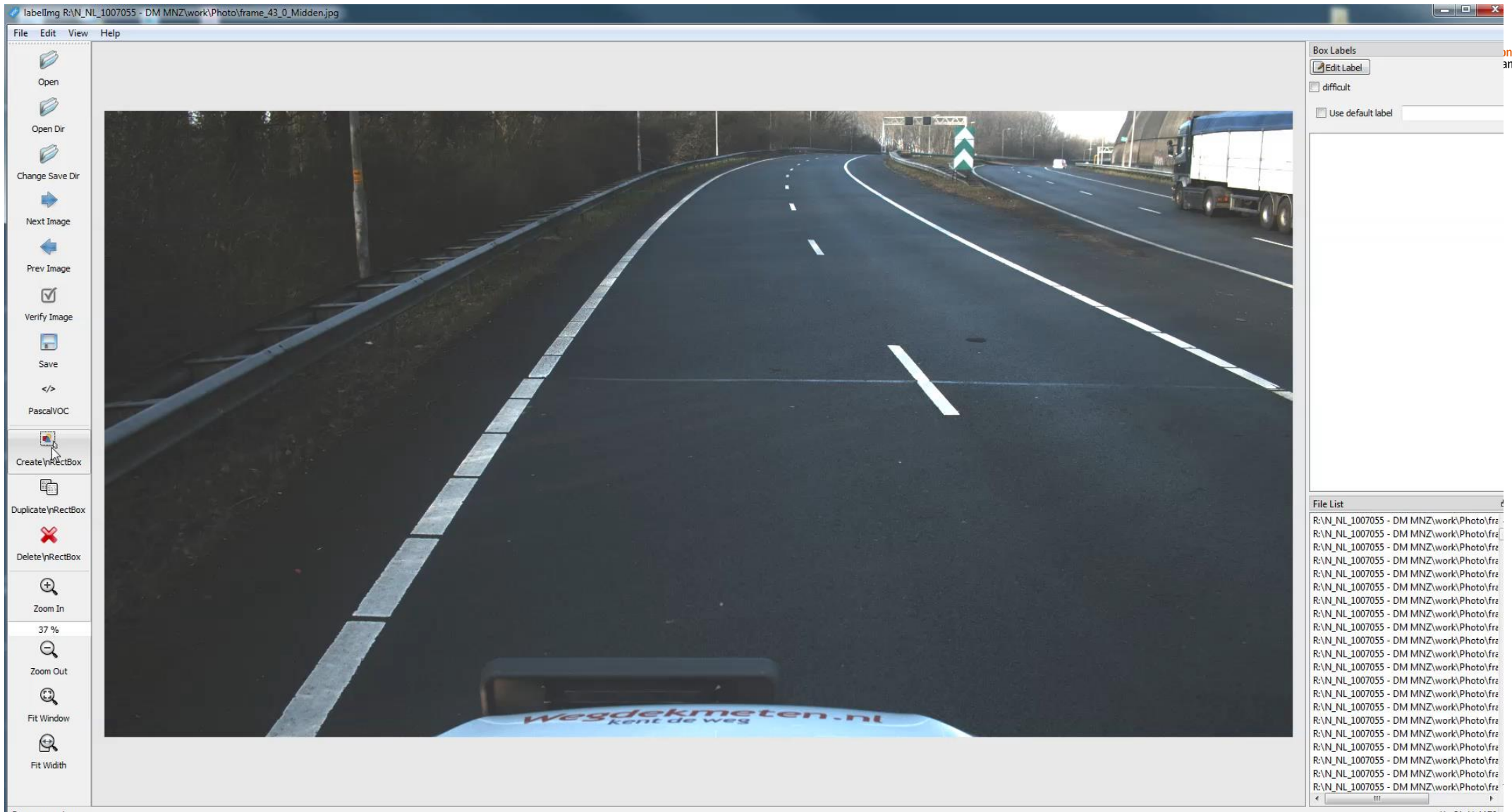


Random cropping and zooming



Gaussian blur, add noise

Machine learning



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Labeling example

5. Automated recognition of defects

NOW| Image recognition & object detection



ravelling

379 • 1419

Ravelling is the progressive disintegration of a toplayer from the surface downwards as a result of the dislodgement of aggregate stone particles



crack_longitudinal

160 • 1284

A crack is a defect which manifest itself in the form of a crack in the longitudinal or transverse direction. Longitudinal cracks are following a course approximately parallel to the road direction.



crack_transverse

114 • 1008

A crack is a defect which manifest itself in the form of a crack in the longitudinal or transverse direction. Transverse cracks are following a course roughly perpendicular to the road direction.



weld

222 • 726

Welds are normally situated nearby a road marking or in the middle of a traffic line.



road_sign

44 • 319

Road signs are signs erected at the side of or above roads to give instructions or provide information to road users.



rim

29 • 282

Rims look like welds, but are normally bending towards the emergency lane or rush lane.



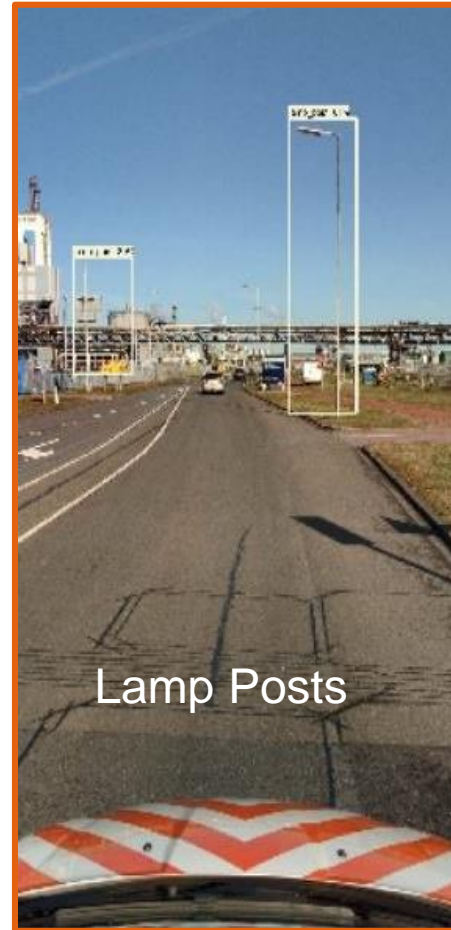
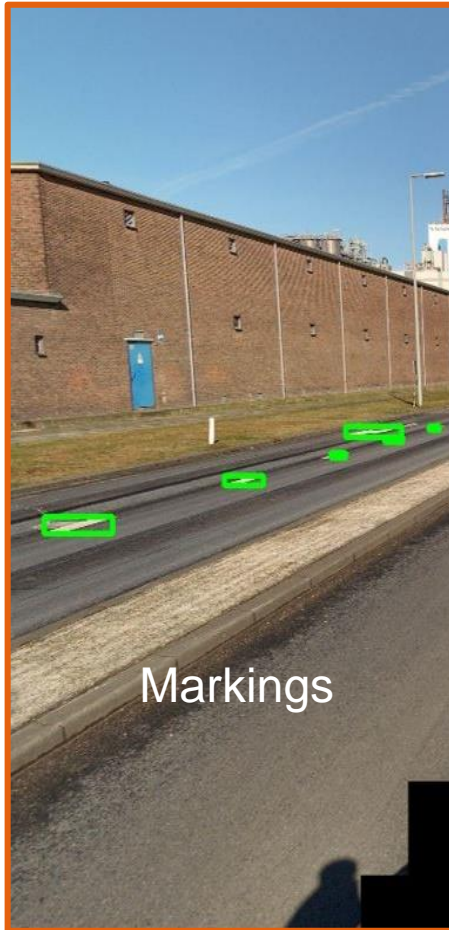
crackles

53 • 235

Crackles are attained when discontinuous longitudinal and transversal cracks begin to interconnect to form a series of small polygons. Crackles is the next stage after single cracks.

Automatic detection up to **7 classes** of defects for a single asset

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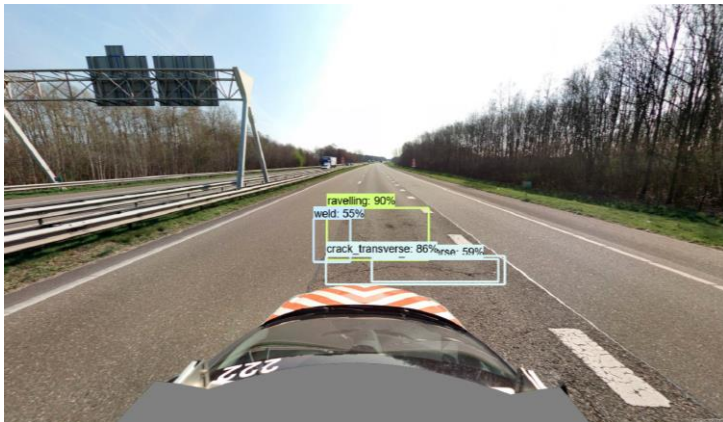


Automatic detection **other** asset classes

6. Regulations and requirements

Automatic recognition of defects

- sort
- position
- size
- severity



Regulations and requirements

Dutch regulations for local authorities



Dutch regulations for highways

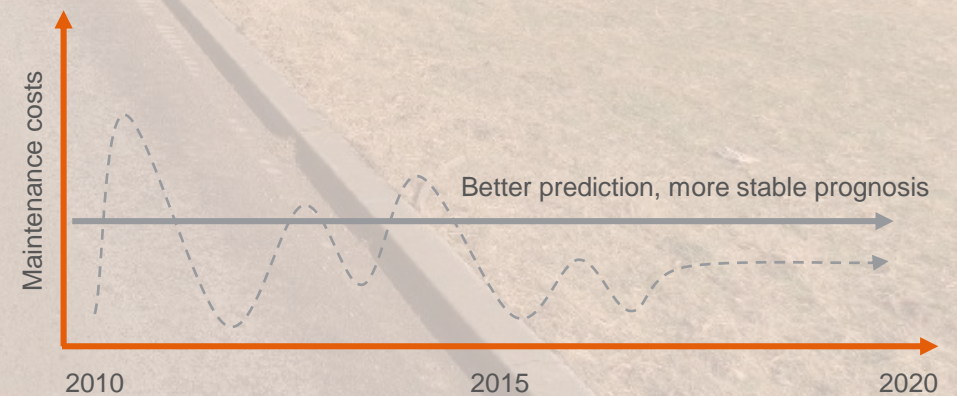
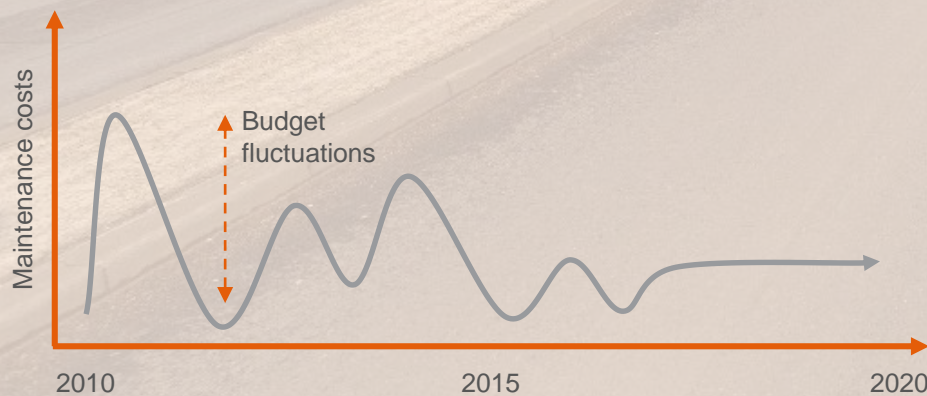


Combine process and content

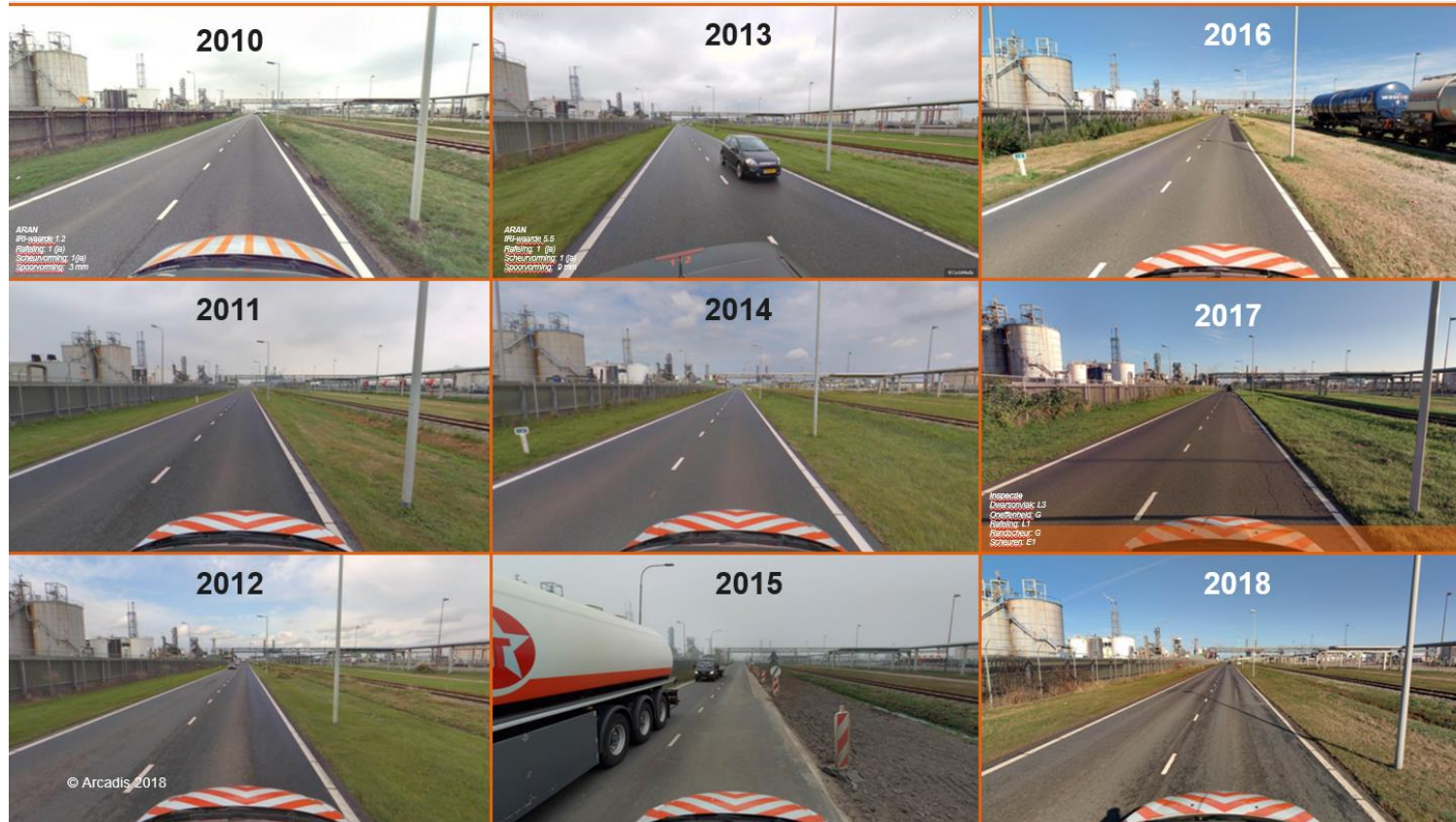
7. Predictive model of asphalt deterioration

Next step with acquired knowledge

- Main goal: the client's management needs a substantiated and stable prognosis of the required costs for capital maintenance in the coming years.
 - a. It appears to be difficult to schedule capital maintenance tasks in an early and reliable manner
 - b. Existing degeneration models are insufficiently location-specific and to high level
 - c. Inspection results are inconsistent and contradict each other (“self-healing ways”?)
 - d. Many measurements are performed and require large investments, the added value is not always clear. Which measurements can be remediated?



Predict deterioration



Available data wasn't consistent. Too many distinctions in types and ways of measuring, non-consecutive years.

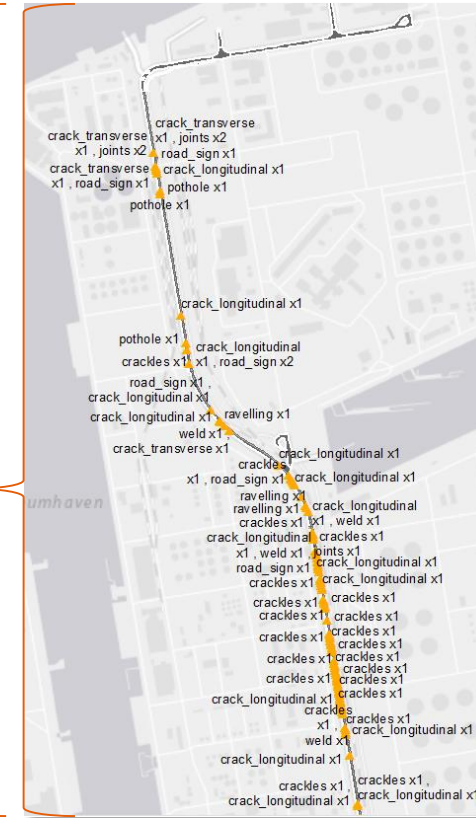
Using multiple years of footage provides consistent insights of surface defects

Image recognition

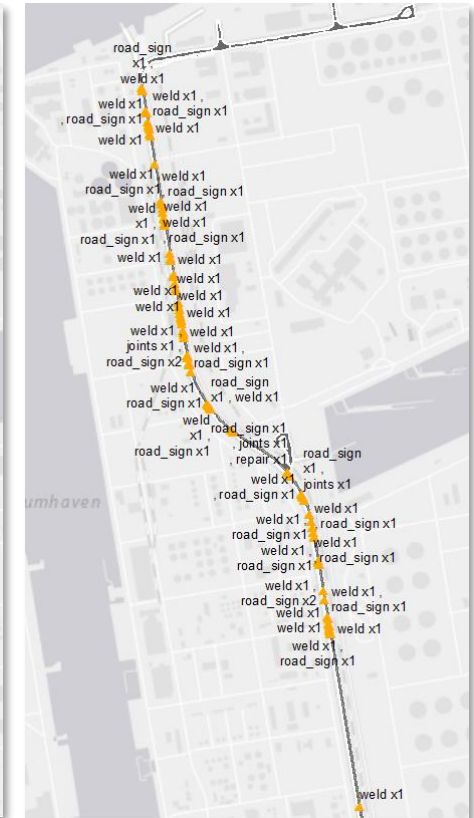
Many data sources added with 9 years of detected surface defects

Databron	Compleetheid	Uniciteit	Timeliness	Accuraat	Consistent	Valide
Wegvakken	● Geen missende waarden of outliers	● Geen dubbele registraties	● Na aanpassing nieuwe functieplaats	● Ja	● Geen verschillen tussen bronnen	● Geen onrealistische combinaties
Verhardingslagen	● Tussen 10%-20% missende waarden	● Geen dubbele registraties	● Geen bijzonderheden	● Ja	● Geen verschillen tussen bronnen	● Geen onrealistische combinaties
Meting bovenlaag (ARAN)	● Tussen 80%-90% missende waarden	● Geen dubbele registraties	● Alleen 2008, 2010 en 2013 beschikbaar	● Ja, belangrijke voorspeller onderhoud	● Ja, komt overeen met visuele inspectie (1%)	● Structureel lager in 2010
Meting constructie (VGD)	● Tussen 30%-40% missende waarden, grote outlier(s)	● Geen dubbele registraties	● Alleen 2007, 2012, 2013 en 2015	● Ja	● Komt voor 2/3 overeen met de ARAN meting	● Grote verschuivingen tussen meelijaren
Meting opbouw (radar)	● Rond 10% maar 100% in 2017	● Geen dubbele registraties	● Alleen 2017 (2008 andere opbouw)	● Niet te toetsen	● VGD van 2017 nodig, onderhoud pas in 2018	● Niet te toetsen
Stroefheid	● Geen koppeling door kilometering	● Geen dubbele registraties	● Alleen 2007, 2013 en 2017(?)	● Niet te toetsen	● Niet te toetsen	● Niet te toetsen
Visuele inspectie (schadebeelden)	● Tussen 60%-80% missende waarden, geen melding	● Geen dubbele registraties	● 80% (2007, 2008, 2014, 2015, 2017)	● Ja maar subjectiviteit bij rapportage moet te controleren	● Komt overeen met klein onderhoud (rapportage)	● Geen onrealistische combinaties
Klein onderhoud	● Meer dan 90% missende waarden, dan geen melding	● Geen dubbele registraties	● Alleen 2017	● Ja	● Komt overeen met de visuele inspectie	● Geen onrealistische combinaties
Groot onderhoud	● Meer dan 90% missende waarden, dan geen melding	● Geen dubbele registraties	● Alleen 2009 en 2015 in de dataset	● Ja, voor zover alles ontvangen van de aannemers	● Direct link met de ARAN meting ligt niet	● Geen onrealistische combinaties
Verkeersintensiteit	● Tussen 10%-20% missende waarden	● Geen dubbele registraties	● 100% (extrapolatie op 20% van de data)	● Ja	● Slechts één bron beschikbaar	● Geen onrealistische combinaties
Omgeving (greppel, kolk, boom)	● Geen missende waarden of outliers	● Geen dubbele registraties	● Geen bijzonderheden	● Ja, lijken wel meer bomen te slaan	● Geen verschillen tussen bronnen	● Geen onrealistische combinaties
Locatie (hoogte, verzilting, grondsoort)	● Geen missende waarden of outliers	● Geen dubbele registraties	● Geen bijzonderheden	● Ja	● Geen verschillen tussen bronnen	● Geen onrealistische combinaties

Visual defects road 2018



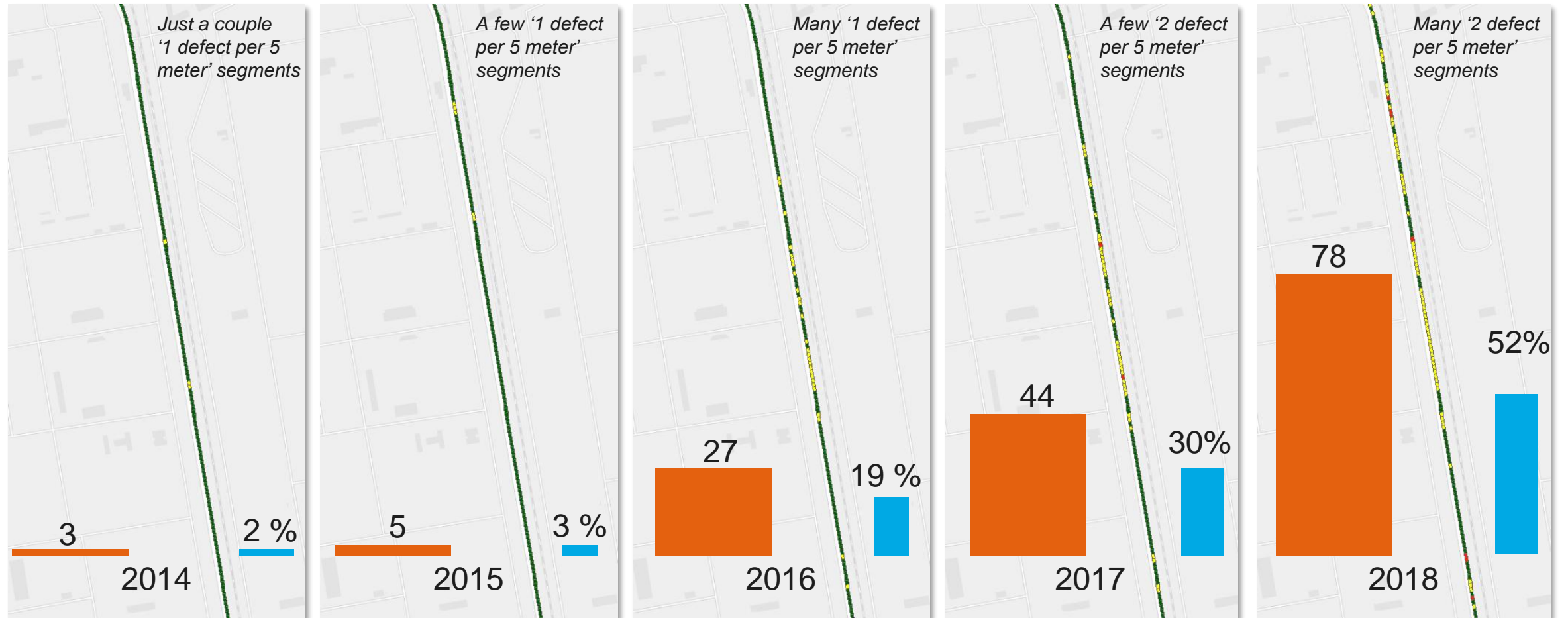
Visual repairs road 2018



Easy to determine moments of completed maintenance:

- when no/less defects and new repairs: small maintenance took place,
- when no/less defects and no repairs capital maintenance took place

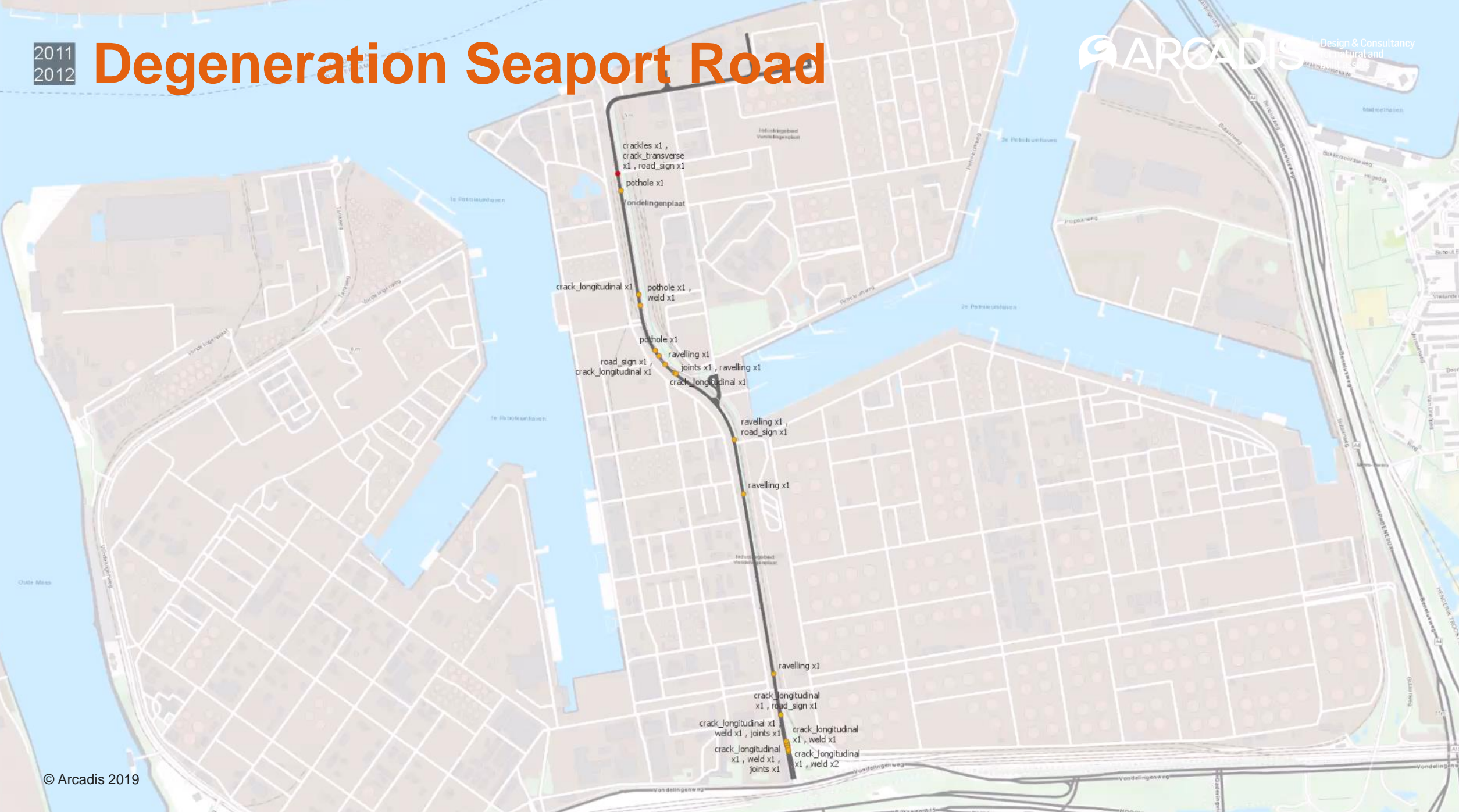
VISUAL DEGENERATION



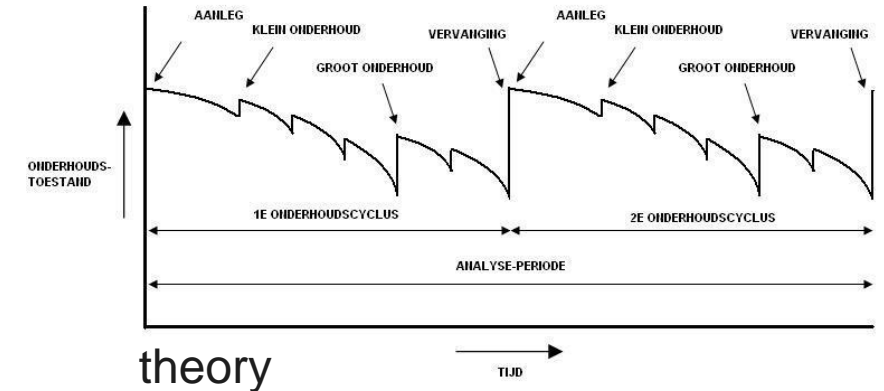
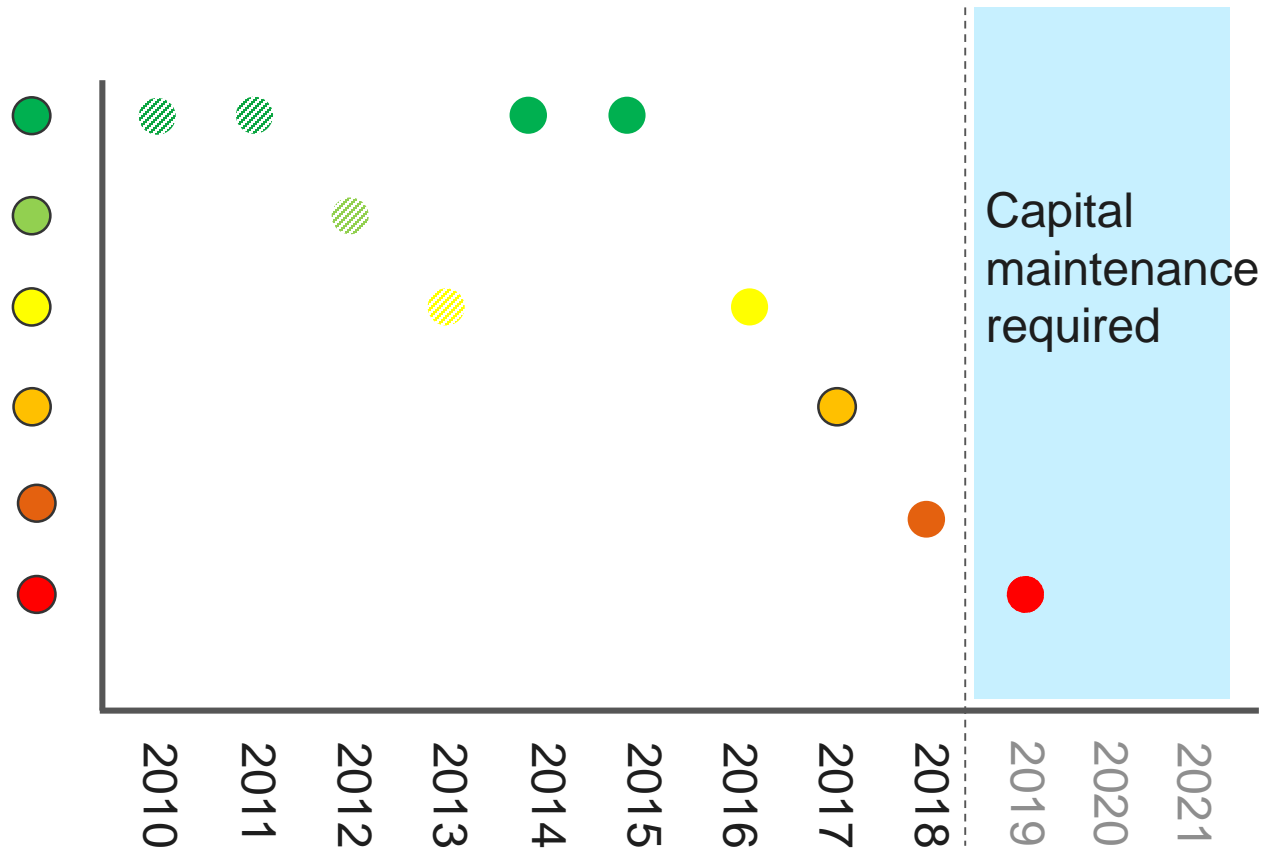
Visual defects by year visualized in ArcGIS to assess visual condition

2011
2012

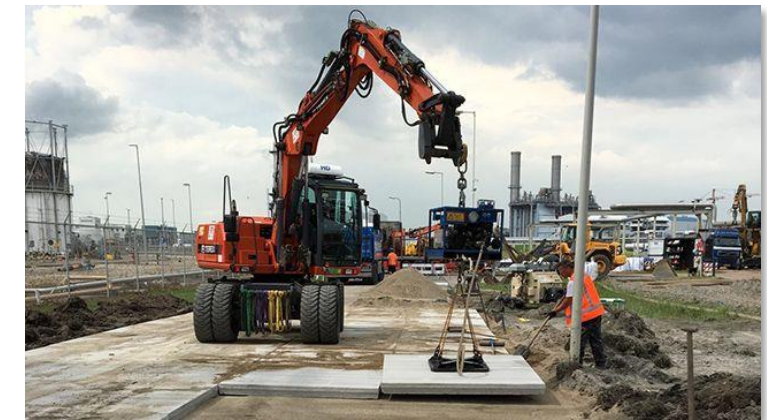
Degeneration Seaport Road



Model predicts when maintenance is needed



theory



Reality 2019

Capital maintenance project is conducted indeed

What we have learned

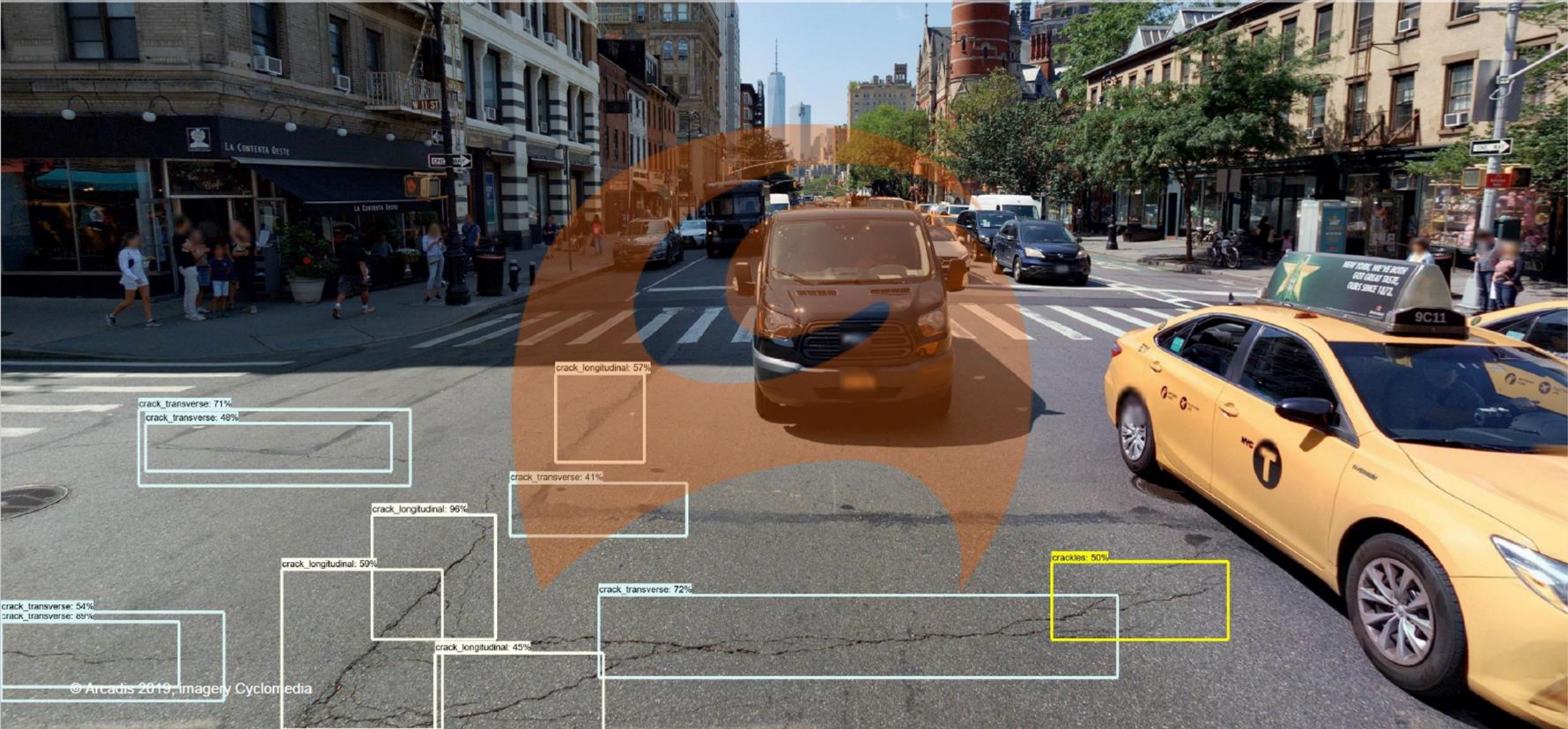
1. Image recognition can be used in addition to other data sets.
Data sets are multivariable and have to be consistent, otherwise garbage in = garbage out.
2. Predicting deterioration and required maintenance is possible.
3. Gives quick insights, no road investigations needed. Many cost savings.
4. Safety risk of human inspections eliminated.
5. Predicting the moment of small and capital maintenance - in combination with a risk based maintenance approach - ensures a stable forecast of the required costs

automated prediction of road defects and deterioration

8. Other assets

Road defect detection New York City

Longitudinal cracks, transversal cracks and crackles



Automated Image Recognition of Rail Assets in the USA



signal: 96%
signal_highstand: 87%
signal: 87%
signal: 85%

signal: 93%
signal_highstand: 97%

sign_milepost: 80%

sign_unknown: 89%

switch_box: 80%

switch_main: 56%



9. Questions



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