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Introduction

This document defines the terminology for describing the relation between objects in the built environment sector, their digital twin counterparts, and associated information.

In addition, this document aims at facilitating data flow within this sector, promoting the availability, sharing, and reuse of high-quality data to drive the creation of new business models and services, thus contributing to the development of data spaces. This development strives for better adherence to the FAIR principles, which means that information and services related to buildings and civil engineering works and their digital twins should be easily findable, accessible, interoperable, and reusable.

Moreover, the Web of Data initiative led by the World Wide Web Consortium (W3C) has developed a set of authoritative standards for semantic interoperability. These standards enable the representation, exchange, querying, reasoning and validation of knowledge based on graph-oriented data models. RDF (Resource Description Framework) vocabularies, SKOS (Simple Knowledge Organization System) taxonomies and OWL (Web Ontology Language) ontologies help define and organize the important concepts of a domain, as well as the relationships that may exist between objects in that domain.

The use of standard vocabularies for metadata are already ubiquitous on the web, and the use of ontologies to structure data are becoming increasingly important, notably via the Linked Open Data initiative. Semantic interoperability of data and services on data spaces is favoured by a widespread use of ontologies.

However, as point of start, it is inherent to any digitalisation of a real asset in the built environment, that two main types of information are faced: (1) contextual data sets, behaving as static data with minor changes across the lifetime of the real asset and (2) dynamic data sets, behaving as fast-moving data series in short intervals of time, approaching towards near-real-time rates. From the contextual data sets, two main subtypes are considered: structured and unstructured data. From the dynamic data sets, another two main subtypes are considered: real and synthetic data.

Figure 1 represents these relations between the types and subtypes of data.

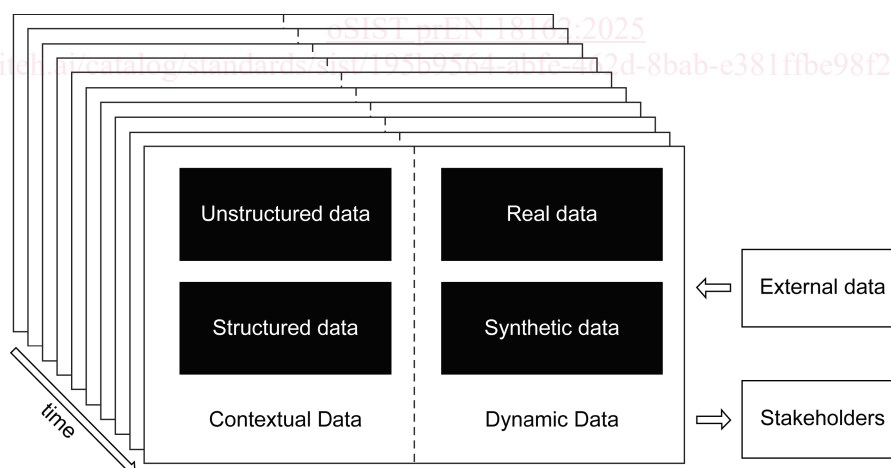


Figure 1 — Representation of the main types and subtypes of data