# Terrain Recognition using Deep Learning

#### A PROJECT REPORT

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We hereby declare that the work, which is being presented in the project report entitled Terrain Recognition using Deep Learning in partial fulfilment for the award of Degree of Bachelor of Technology in Computer Science and Engineering, is a record of our own investigations carried under the guidance of Dr. Marimuthu K, Professor, School of Computer Science, Presidency University, Bengaluru.

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## **ABSTRACT**

Accurate terrain recognition is fundamental for autonomous systems operating in diverse environments. Traditional sensor-based methods like LiDAR and IMUs are expensive, prone to drift, and affected by environmental conditions. Vision-based deep learning approaches, particularly Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs), offer a promising alternative by analyzing RGB images from standard cameras, reducing hardware costs while maintaining high accuracy. This project focuses on developing a CNN-based model for terrain classification (sandy, rocky, grass, marshy) and predicting implicit properties like roughness and slipperiness. The proposed system uses data collection, preprocessing, model selection, training (including a multi-task learning approach with a secondary regression network), and evaluation. The methodology involves using existing datasets, annotating images with property values, applying preprocessing techniques, and fine-tuning a pretrained CNN model. The final system aims to achieve high accuracy in classification and robust prediction of physical properties, enhancing environmental perception for applications like autonomous vehicles and planetary rovers. The project demonstrates the practical application of deep learning to improve the safety and efficiency of autonomous navigation in challenging environments