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# Large-scale building extraction from open-source satellite imagery via super-resolution-based instance segmentation

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## Background

Building footprint is a primary dataset of an urban geographic information system (GIS) database. However, the instance segmentation method based on the Mask R-CNN model ought to be improved toward extracting and fusing multi-scale features. Moreover, open-source satellite image datasets with wider spatial coverage and temporal resolution than high-resolution image may exhibit different coloration and resolution.



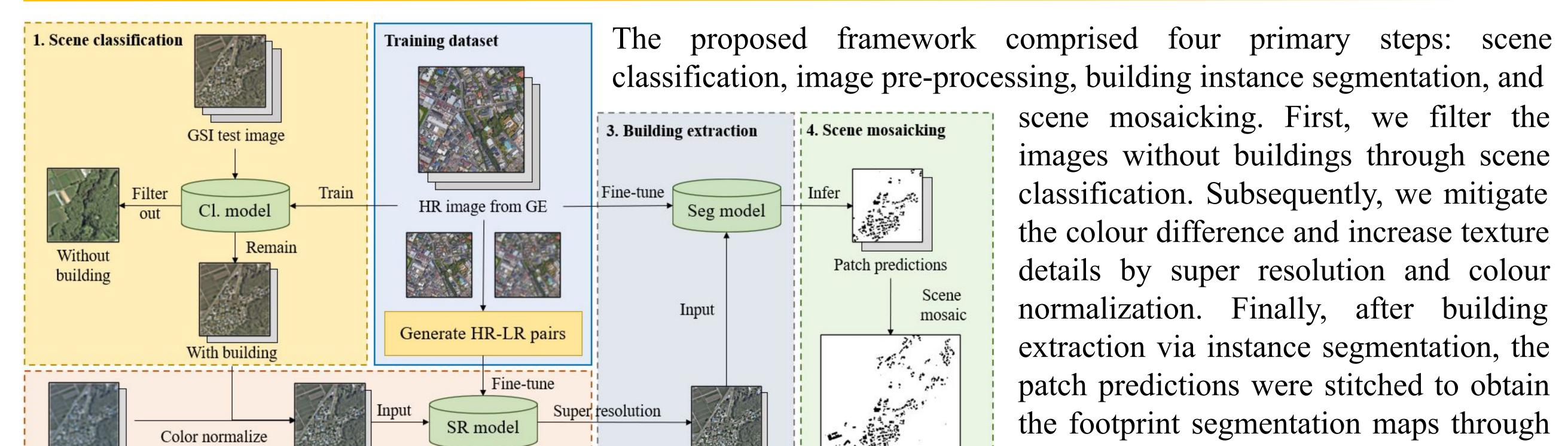


- We enhanced the multi-scale feature extraction ability of Mask R-CNN model via a Multi-path Vision Transformer backbone.
- We improved the quality of open-source satellite image by super-resolution and color normalization.

# Methodology

Source image

Training data: 1222 images from Google Earth (0.3 m) with 186000 annotated footprints.
Test data: 81348 patches from Geospatial Information Authority of Japan (GSI) (0.6~1 m).
Training area: Shinjuku, Setagaya, Hachioji & Susono Test area: Hyogo Prefecture, 19187 km<sup>2</sup>

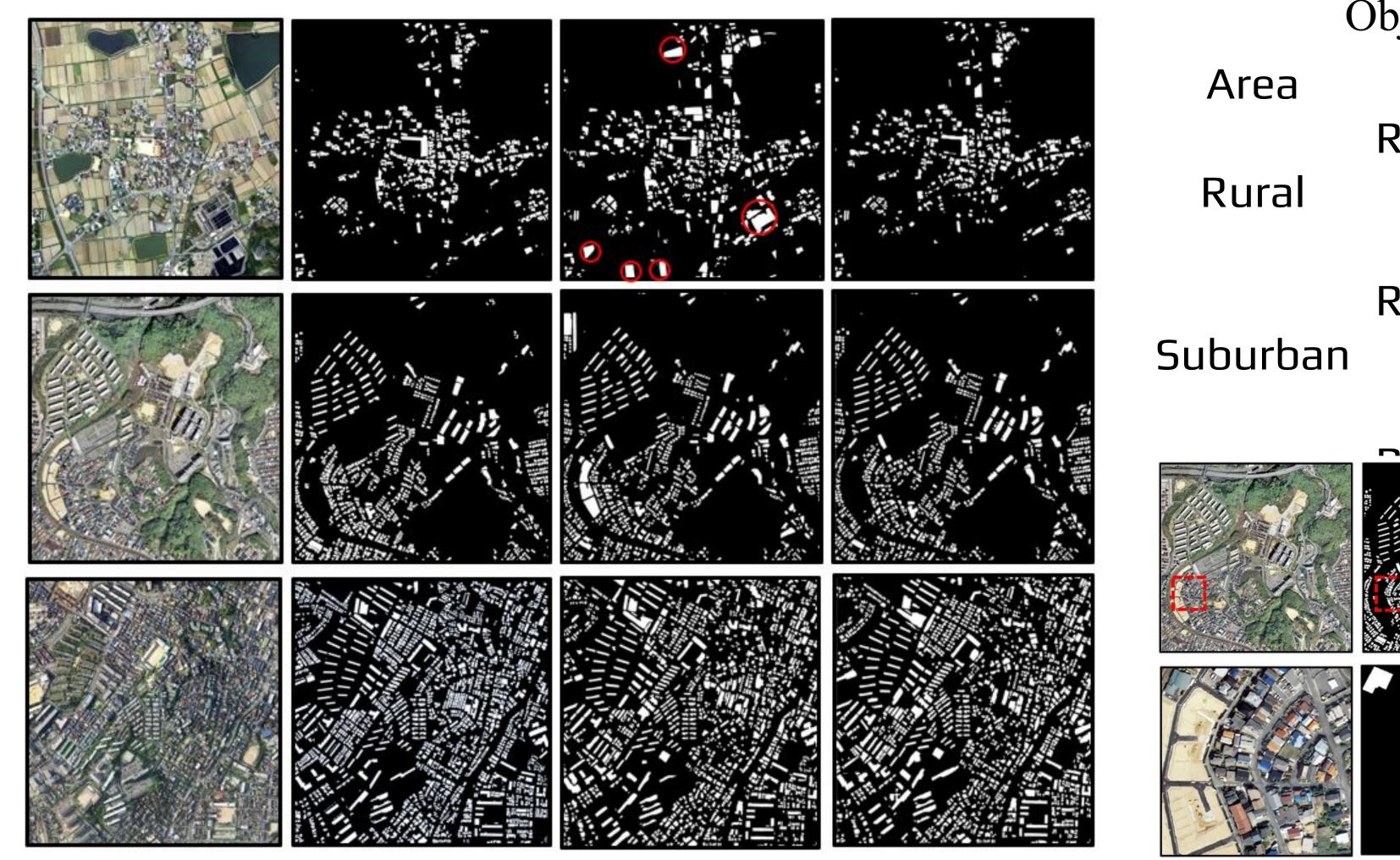


Reference image LR test patches 2. Image pre-processing SR test patches Area prediction Scene mosaicking.

MPViT-base

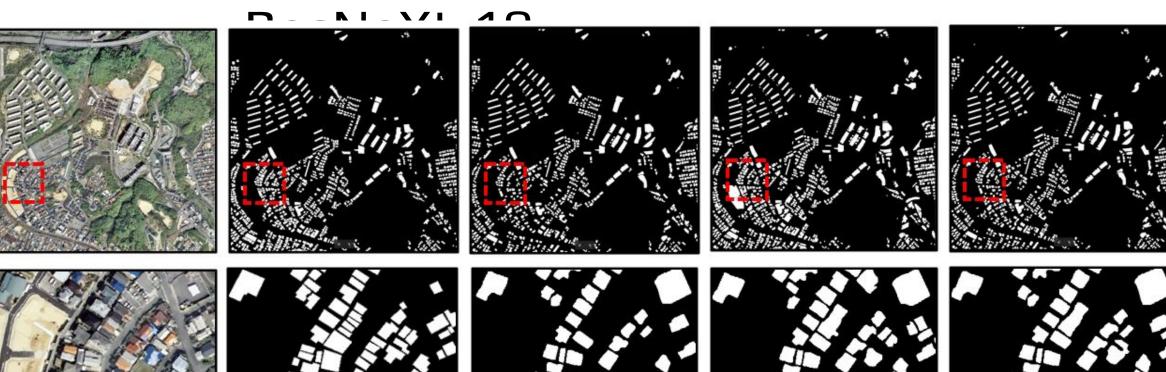
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Object-wise metric of different areas

Area	Backbone	Precision	Recall	F1
Rural	ResNeXt-10 1	0.71	0.64	0.67
	MPViT-b	0.76	0.63	0.69
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	MPViT-b	0.87	0.72	0.78



Prediction results of MPVIT and ResNeXt model

Ground Truth



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ResNeXt-101