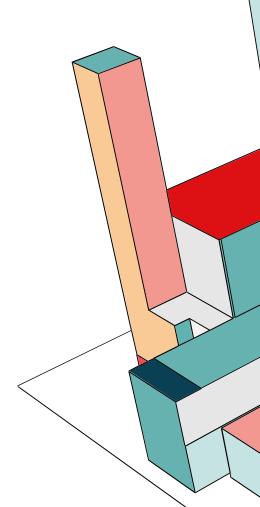


VALUE-DRIVEN PROJECT

- Damage assessment is the process of automatically identifying and classifying damaged buildings and infrastructures from high-resolution satellite images after a natural disaster.
- The goal is to rapidly generate accurate maps that highlight the location and severity of damage.
- These maps are critical for first responders to plan recovery operations.





DATA

Numerous extensive data collections are available.

- We will use the <u>xBD dataset</u>, a large-scale, public benchmark for building damage assessment.
- It contains high-resolution pre- and post-disaster satellite imagery, with each building annotated via polygon footprint and a corresponding damage classification label.

Pre-disaster

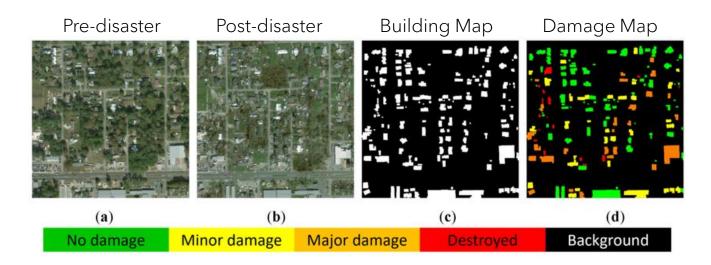


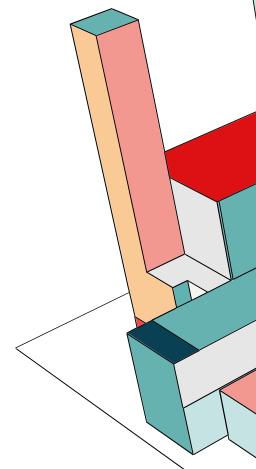
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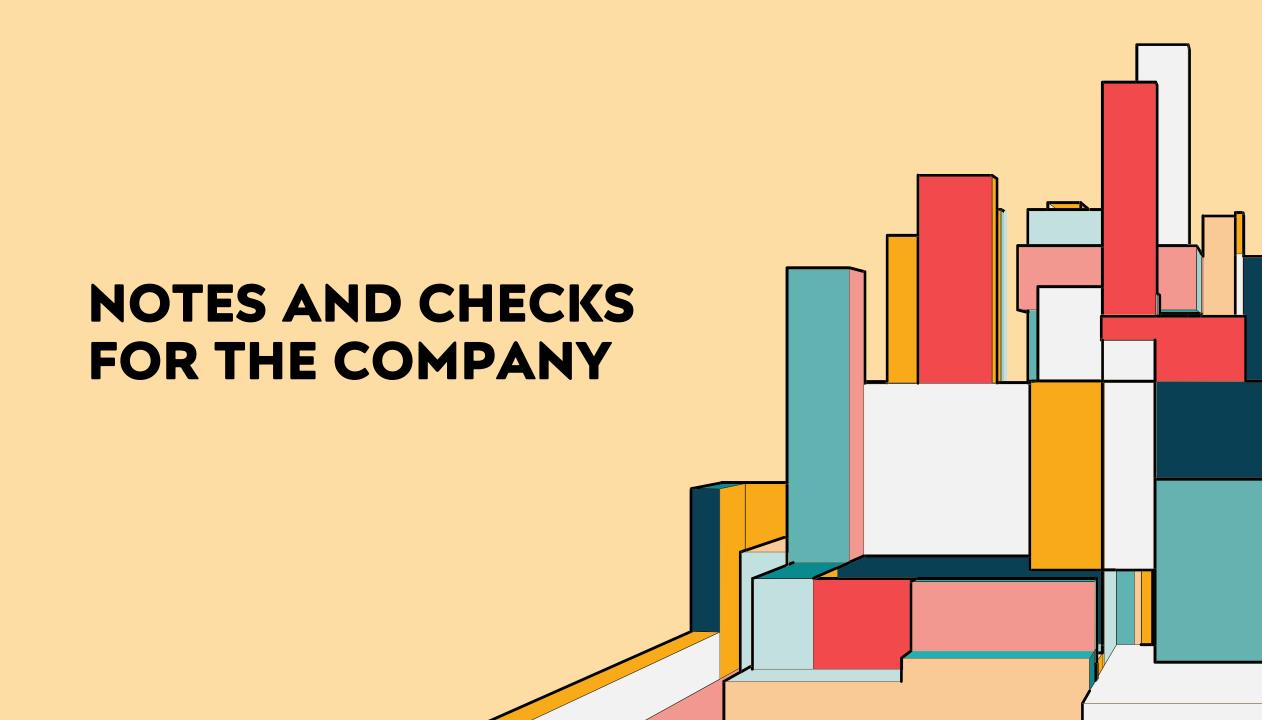


TASK

- The objective is a **semantic segmentation** task with a dual prediction for each pixel:
 - Building Localization: First, identifying if the pixel is part of a building footprint.
 - Damage Classification: Second, if it is a building pixel, classifying its damage level (No Damage, Minor, Major, or Destroyed).



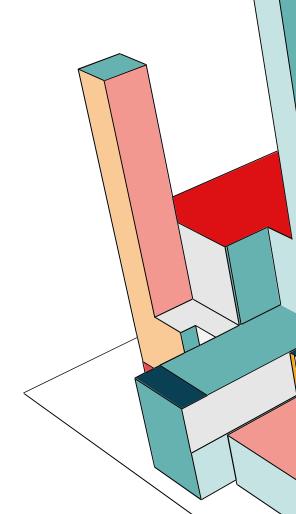




LIGHT MENTORING

Jacopo Lungo Vaschetti (<u>jacopo.lungo@linksfoundation.com</u>) and Lorenzo Innocenti (<u>lorenzo.innocenti@linksfoundation.com</u>), researchers at LINKS, will be the mentoring contacts during the project:

- 30-minute biweekly calls during the semester
- General mentoring for the project



POLICY

• Both project descriptions and implementations will be part of a repository group published on GitHub

• The repositories will be public

