

# Zero-Shot Buildings' Segmentation using SAM

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# GEOspatial Artificial Intelligence



## GEOAI

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- Members: 16
- Webpage: [www.geogroup.ai](http://www.geogroup.ai)
- ranked 4th/730: “**NASA Field Boundary Challenge**”

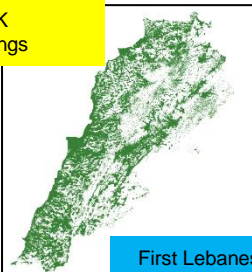
## International Collaboration



## Ongoing Projects

### GeoUrban-AI Tool

~800K  
buildings

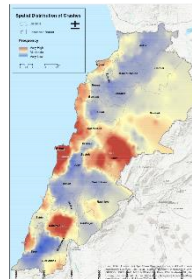


First Lebanese  
footprints Map

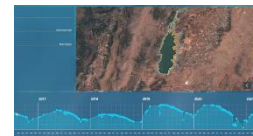
### Solar rooftop potential map



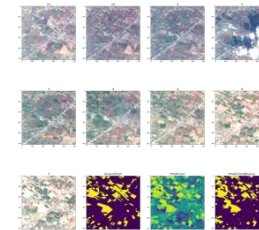
### Road Crashes Observatory



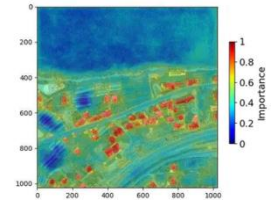
### Water Body Monitoring



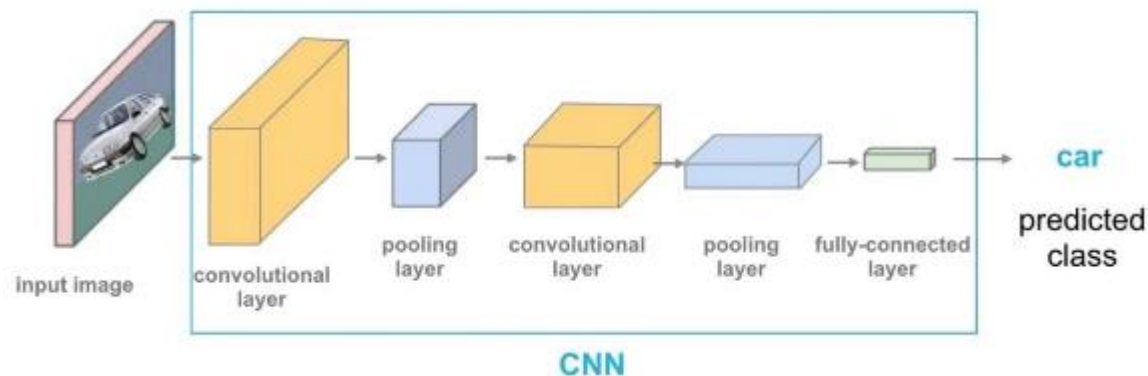
### Winter Wheat Monitoring



### eXplainable AI (XAI)

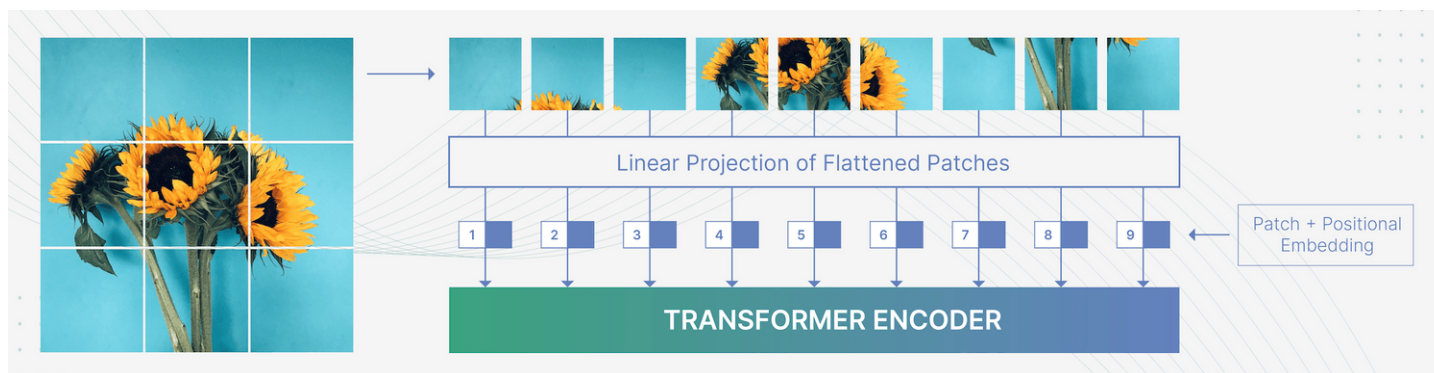


## ■ CNN:



Source: <https://viso.ai/deep-learning/vision-transformer-vit/>

## ■ Transformers:



Source: <https://www.picsellia.com/post/are-transformers-replacing-cnns-in-object-detection/>

- Out-of-Distribution Generalization:
  - testing distribution is unknown and different from the training



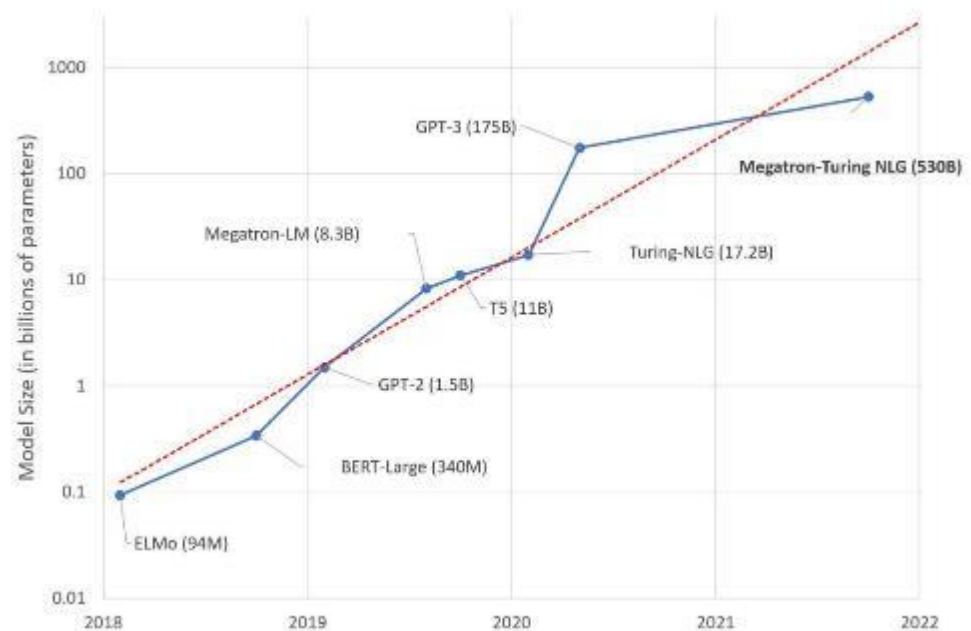
source: <https://www.gabriele-cavallaro.com/teaching/parallel-and-scalable-machine-learning-for-remote-sensing-big-data-ws-2020-2021>



# Foundation Models

- coined in July 2022:
  - <https://arxiv.org/pdf/2108.07258.pdf>
  - Large (deep neural network) model
  - trained on broad data (generally using self-supervision at scale)
  - usually multimodal
  - can be adapted to a wide range of downstream tasks

- transformer model on a large scale.
- widely used in NLP: Large Language Models (LLMs)
- human brain:
  - ~86 billion neurons
  - 100 trillion synapses

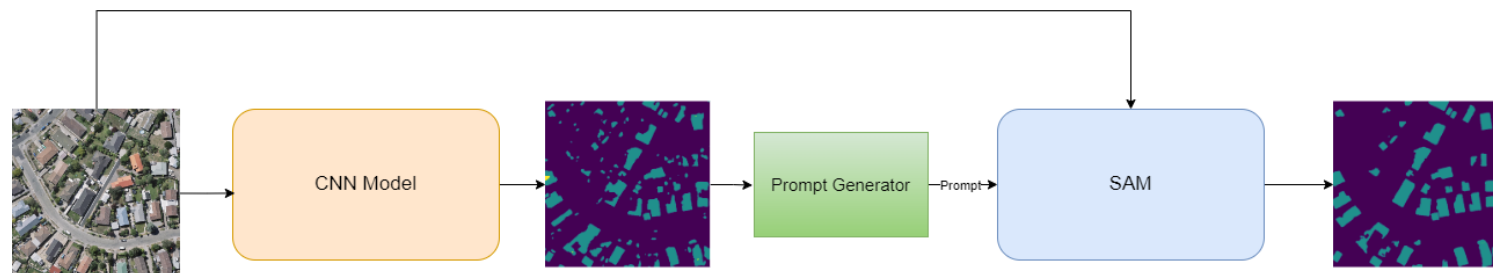


Source: <https://huggingface.co/blog/large-language-models/>



- foundation model Meta AI (April 2023):
  - <https://arxiv.org/pdf/2304.02643.pdf>
  
- SA-1B Dataset:
  - 11M diverse, high-res images (3300x4950 pixels)
  - 1.1B segmentation masks (99.1% auto-generated)
  - High-quality masks
  - Significantly larger than any segmentation datasets

- PE SAM for satellite imagery:
  - CNN model as prompt generator
- Prompt types:
  - Single point
  - Bounding Box
  - Skeleton





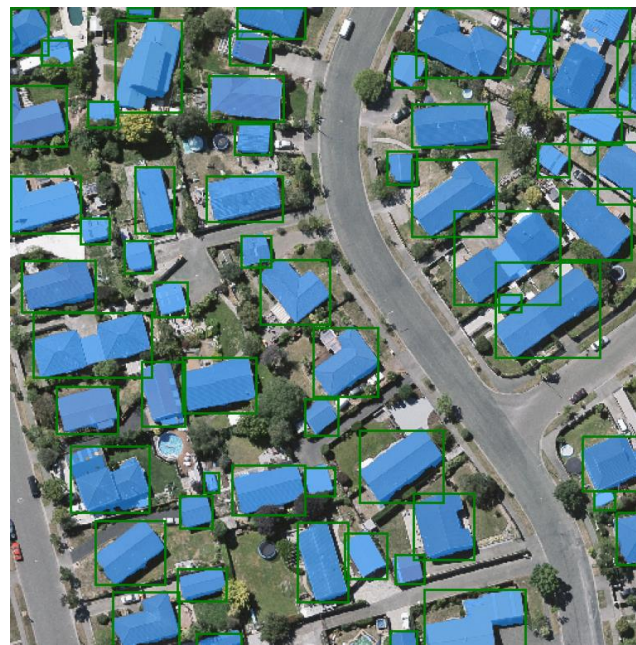
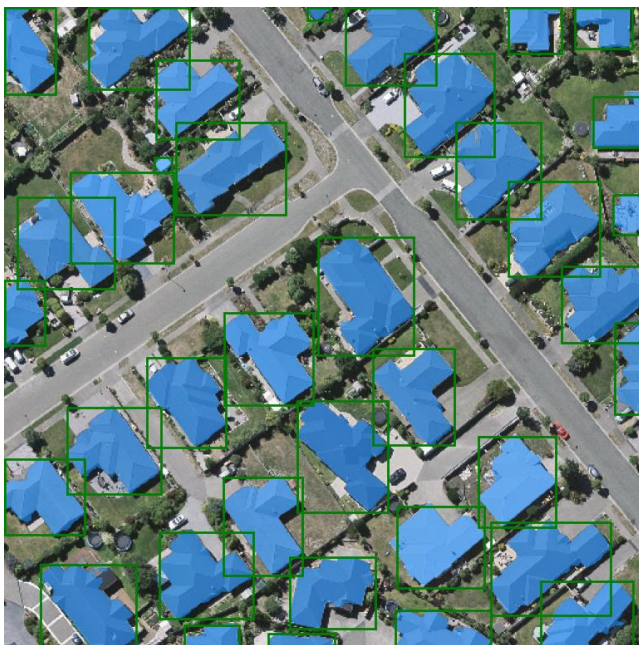


# Single Prompt





# Bounding Box Prompt

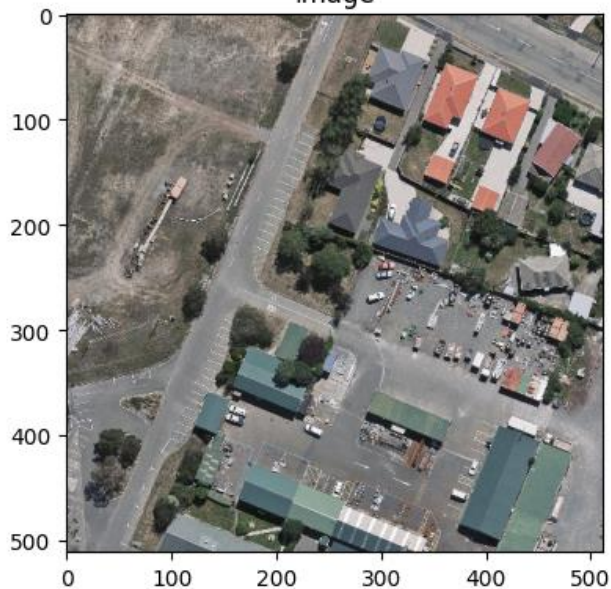




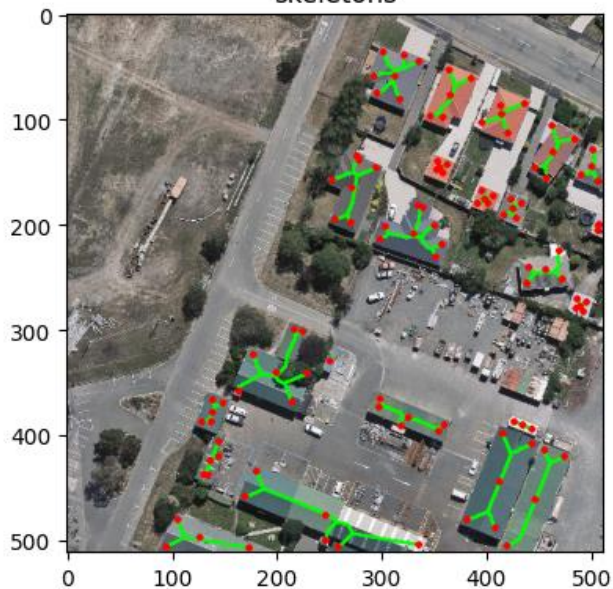


# Skeleton Prompt

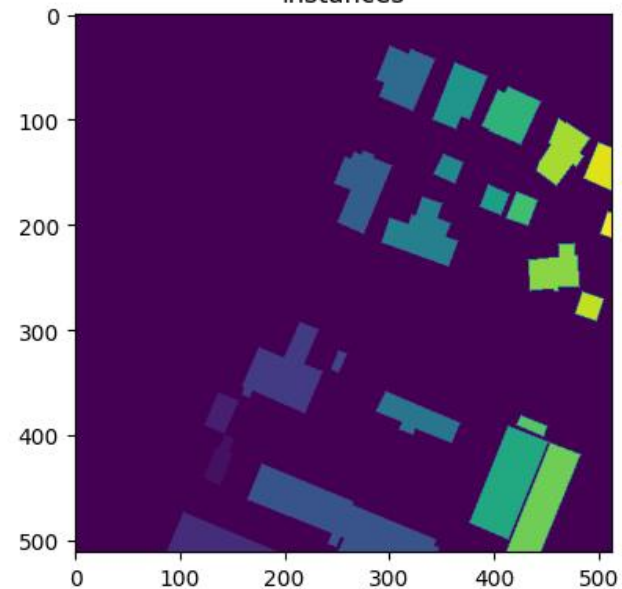
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skeletons



instances





# Crowd AI dataset

**GroundTruth**



**Prediction**

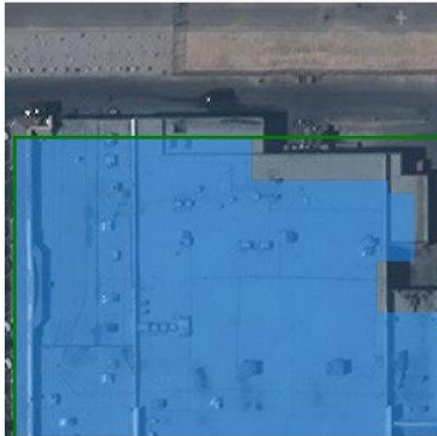




# Crowd AI dataset – *cont.*

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**GroundTruth**



**Prediction**





# Ongoing Work

GT

predicted



TP-F1 score: 93%

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□ [Link](#)





# Thank you!

<https://github.com/geoaigroup/buildingsSAM>

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