

Maskpan: Mask Prior Guided Network for Pansharpening

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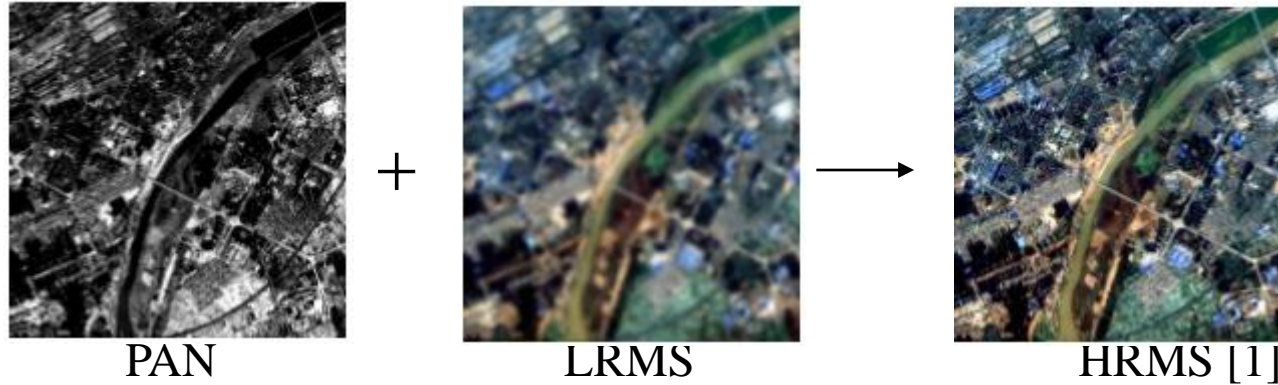
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Introduction&Problem



➤ *Pansharpening*



➤ *Previous works: visual pleasing*

- Traditional image processing methods
- Deep Learning based pansharpening methods

➤ *Limitation: visual discrimination*

- Pansharpened images may be limited in providing discriminability for visual tasks
- The applications of satellite images are greatly affected by image visual discrimination.

[1]PAN(panchromatic images), LRMS(low spatial resolution multispectral images), HRMS(high resolution multispectral images)

Liu X , Wang Y , Liu Q . PSGAN: A Generative Adversarial Network for Remote Sensing Image Pan-Sharpning[J]. 2018.

Motivation



- High-level semantic feature has the guiding role to low-level image task contribution
- Existing pansharpening methods are limited in providing discriminability for visual tasks

Contribution

- The CNN-based method that utilizes high semantic features (mask prior) to guide pansharpening task.
- The features of MS and PAN images are fused with prior information in feature domain by an attention mechanism.
- Semantic segmentation is adopted as an evaluation metric for the visual discrimination.

Architecture

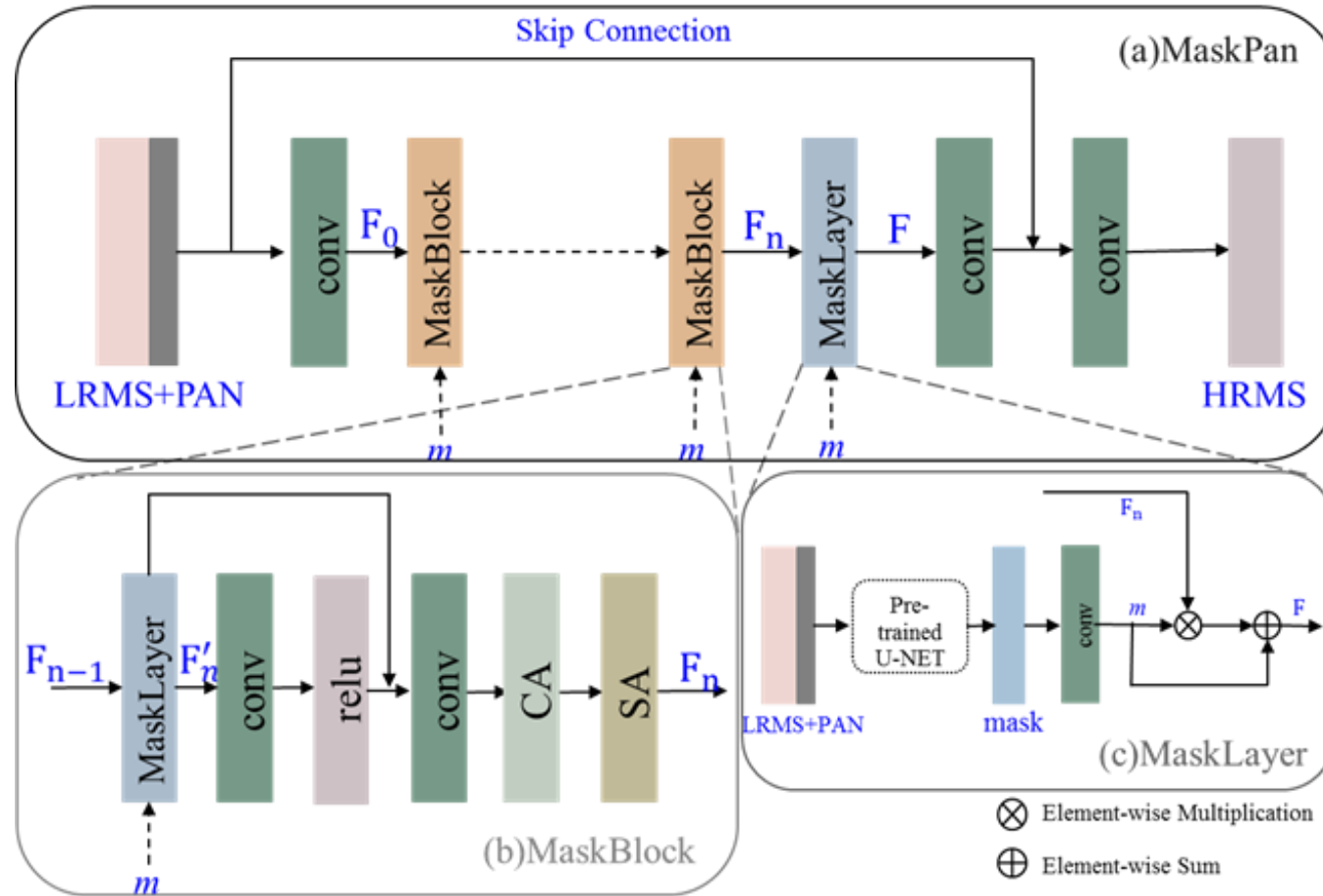


Figure 1. Structure illustration of the proposed MaskPan. (a) network architecture of MaskPan.

(b) MaskBlock: integrating the MaskLayer and attention mechanism, where CA and SA refer to the (channel-wise and spatial attention). (c) MaskLayer: showing the combination way of mask prior, all MaskLayers share the same mask input.

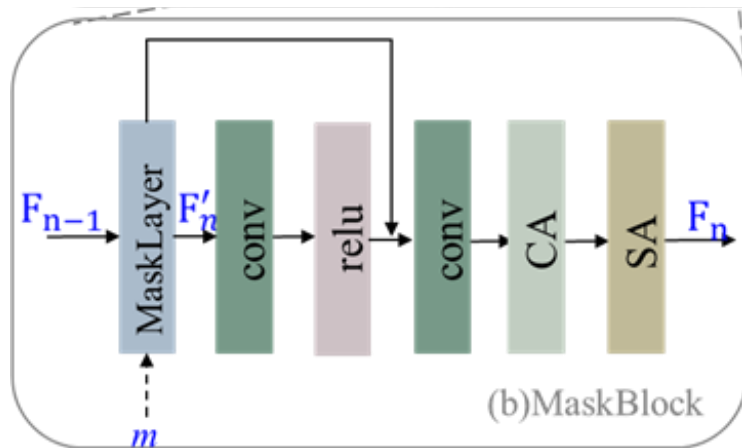
Architecture



➤ *MaskBlock*

Inspired by the CBAM of [2]

MaskLayer / channel& spatial attention mechanism



$$\begin{aligned} F_n &= G_{MB,n}(F_{n-1}, m) \\ &= G_{MB,n}\left(G_{MB,n-1}\left(\dots\left(G_{MB,1}(F_0, m)\right)\dots\right)\right) \end{aligned}$$

$G_{MB,n}$: the operations of the n -th MB
 m : estimated mask prior information

[2] CA(channel attention), SA(spatial attention)

S. Woo, J. Park, J. Lee, I. Kweon, "CBAM: Convolutional Block Attention Module," European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV), 2018

Architecture



➤ *MaskLayer*

Designed based on the the structure of SFT Layer [3]

n -th *MaskLayer* in the n -th *MaskBlock*

$$m' = u(x, p; \alpha)$$

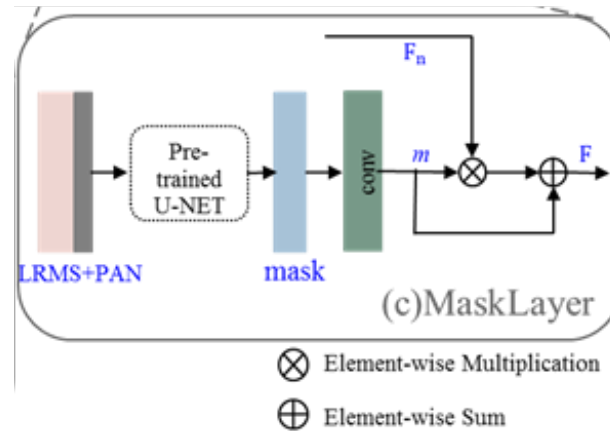
$$F'_n = mF_{n-1} + m$$

m' : mask generated from U-Net

m : processed mask prior

F_{n-1} : features from $(n - 1)$ -th *MaskBlock*

F'_n : features to be fed into the attention layer



Experiment

Dataset: World-View3 satellite image dataset of the *kaggle* DSTL competition[4]

➤ *Ablation study*: Comparison of different kinds of mask prior

- **Mask_C**: directly concatenates the mask with the stacked up-sampled MS and PAN images
- **Mask_M**: ten gray-level prior maps
(multiplies the mask with stacked up-sampled MS images and PAN images)
concatenated with the stacked up-sampled MS images and PAN images
- **Mask_EX**: only MS and PAN images

Table 1. Comparison of the methods with different types of mask prior.

Method	PSNR (↑)	SSIM (↑)	SCC (↑)	SAM (↓)	ERGAS (↓)
Mask_C	27.605	0.982	0.998	0.016	0.590
Mask_M	27.694	0.982	0.998	0.016	0.590
Mask_EX	27.714	0.982	0.998	0.016	0.576
MaskPan	28.401	0.983	0.999	0.015	0.535

Experiment

➤ Comparison of MaskPan with other models

1. Image quality evaluation indices: PSNR/SSIM/SCC/SAM/ERGAS

Table 3. Comparison of image quality evaluation indices.

Method	PSNR (↑)	SSIM (↑)	SCC (↑)	SAM (↓)	ERGAS (↓)
BT[25]	19.855	0.795	0.901	1.452	3.578
IHS[26]	22.094	0.946	0.924	1.570	2.006
PNN[2]	20.343	0.878	0.969	0.086	2.553
TFNET [8]	26.799	0.960	0.995	0.034	0.792
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2. Evaluation metric for visual discrimination of pansharpened images: IoU

Table 2. Comparison of segmentation results for different classes in terms of IoU.

Method	IoU-mean	IoU- buildings	IoU - Misc.	IoU -road	IoU -track	IoU -trees	IoU -crops	IoU - waterway	IoU - standing water
PNN[2]	0.419	0.691	0.104	0.656	0.343	0.602	0.765	0.801	0.132
TFNET[8]	0.448	0.706	0.170	0.732	0.369	0.615	0.827	0.824	0.134
Mask_EX	0.452	0.710	0.170	0.734	0.391	0.614	0.842	0.829	0.135
MaskPan	0.465	0.728	0.173	0.739	0.436	0.634	0.849	0.841	0.143

Experiment

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3. Visual comparison

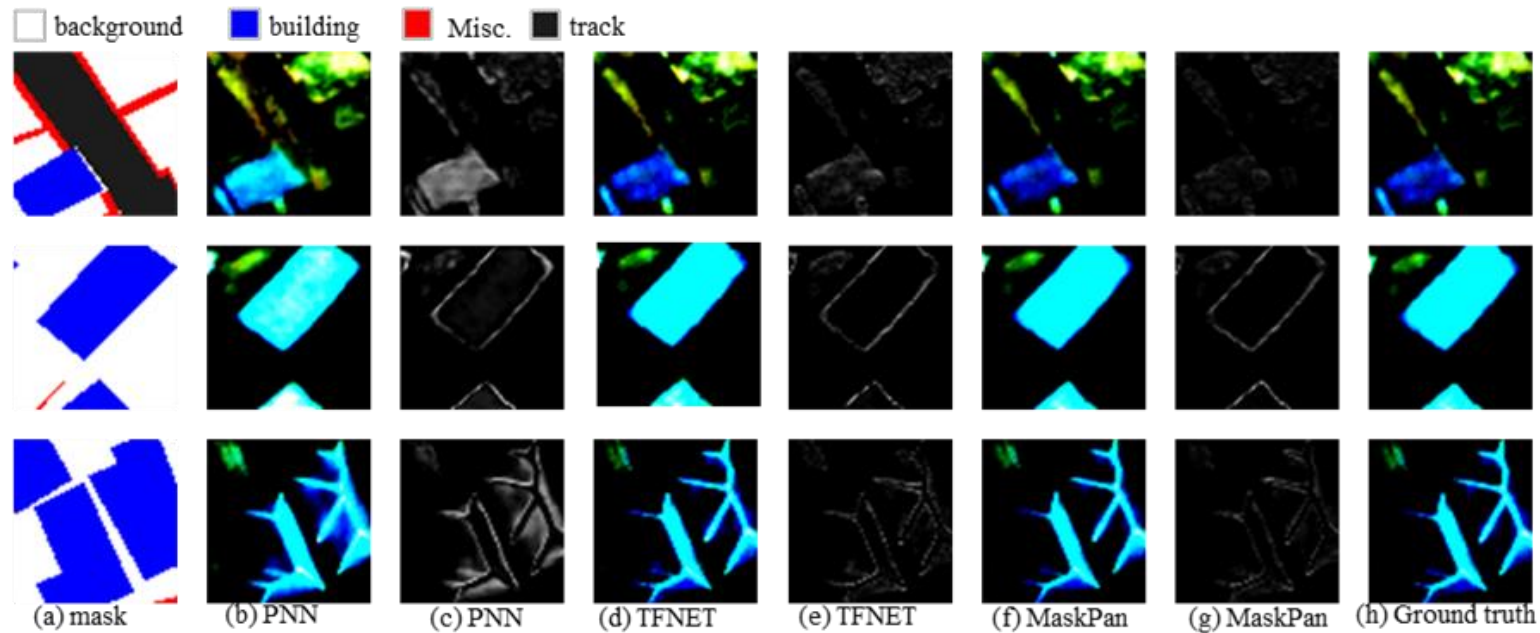


Figure 2. Comparison of pansharpening results for WordView-3 images. (b), (d) and (f) are the pansharpening results of the network PNN, TFNET and our MaskPan, while (c), (e) and (g) are the corresponding residual images; (a) and (h) are the mask and ground truth of the images, respectively.

Thank You!



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