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Remote sensing is a powerful tool with an extensive record of successful applications in not only natural systems but also human societies. These applications, and especially the use of nighttime light imagery, make efficient and objective estimations of socio-economic factors over large areas possible. In the last decade, the advent of more advanced optical remote sensing instruments and their image products with finer spectral, spatial, and temporal resolutions, such as visible infrared imaging radiometer suites, promises more accurate evaluation of socioeconomic systems across different geographic scales.

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