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Modelling urban growth and socio-economic and health inequalities in Sub-Saharan African cities



VERY-HIGH RESOLUTION (FINE-SCALE)

Land-cover maps

Land-use maps

Population density maps



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Land cover vs. Land use

- **Land cover**

‘the observed biophysical cover of the earth's surface’

- **Land use**

‘the purpose for which an area of land is being used, such as residential, agricultural, commercial, retail, or industrial’

(source: Oxford Reference)

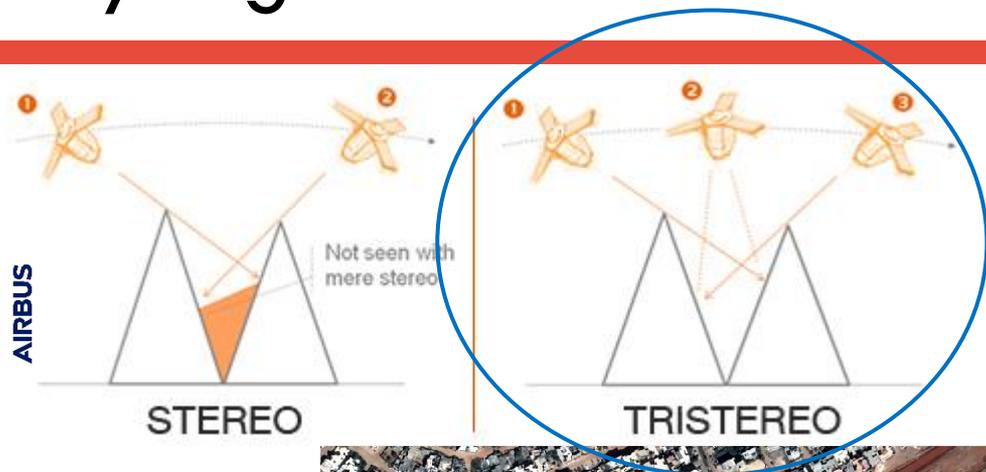
Often mixed but should be mapped apart



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Data and processing chain

Very-high resolution remote sensing



Pléiades (Airbus D&S)
0.5 m spatial resolution
Tristereore
VNIR



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Semi-Automated Processing Chain

- Development of a semi-automated processing chain to produce maps
- Open source
- Python used to chain Grass GIS and R commands



Article
An Open-Source Semi-Automated Processing Chain for Urban Object-Based Classification

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else: print "r.object.geometry is already installed on your computer"

Set list of raster from which to compute statistics with i.segment.stats

Here after, a list of raster layer on which to compute statistics is saved. Please adapt those layers according to the raster you
want to use for object statistics.

In [ ]: ## Display the name of rasters available in PERMANENT and CLASSIFICATION mapset
print grass.list_strings("raster", mapset="PERMANENT", flag='r')
print grass.list_strings("raster", mapset="CLASSIFICATION", flag='r')

In [ ]: ## Define the List of raster Layers for which statistics will be computed
inputstats="opt_blue@PERMANENT"
inputstats+="opt_green@PERMANENT"
inputstats+="opt_nir@PERMANENT"
inputstats+="opt_red@PERMANENT"
inputstats+="NDVI@PERMANENT"
inputstats+="Brightness@PERMANENT"
inputstats+="nDSM@CLASSIFICATION"
print inputstats

Compute statistics of segments with i.segment.stats

In the following section, 'i.segment.stats' add-on is used to compute object statistics. Please refer to the official help if you
want to modify the parameters. Other raster statistics and morphological features could be used according to your needs.

In [ ]: ## Define computational region to match the extension of segmentation raster
grass.run_command('g.region', overwrite=True, raster="segments@CLASSIFICATION")

## Saving current time for processing time management
print ("Start computing statistics for training segments, using i.segment.stats on " + time.ctime())
starttime_isegmentstats=time.time()

## Compute statistics of objets using i.segment.stats only with .csv output (no vectormap output)
grass.run_command('i.segment.stats', overwrite=True, map="segments_training@CLASSIFICATION",
rasters=inputstats,
raster_statistics="min,max,range,mean,stddev,sum,coeff_var,first_quart,median,third_q
area_measures="area,perimeter,compact_circle",
csvfile="F:\\\\...\\Classification\\i.segment.stats\\stats_training_sample.csv")

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Land cover – step 1

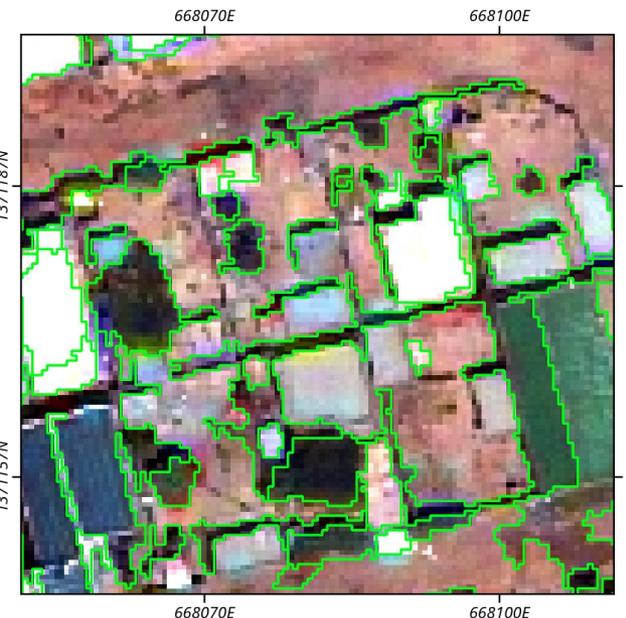
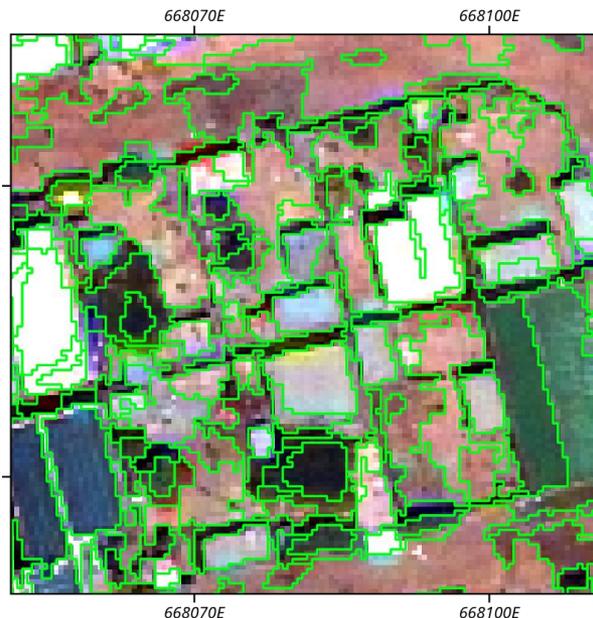
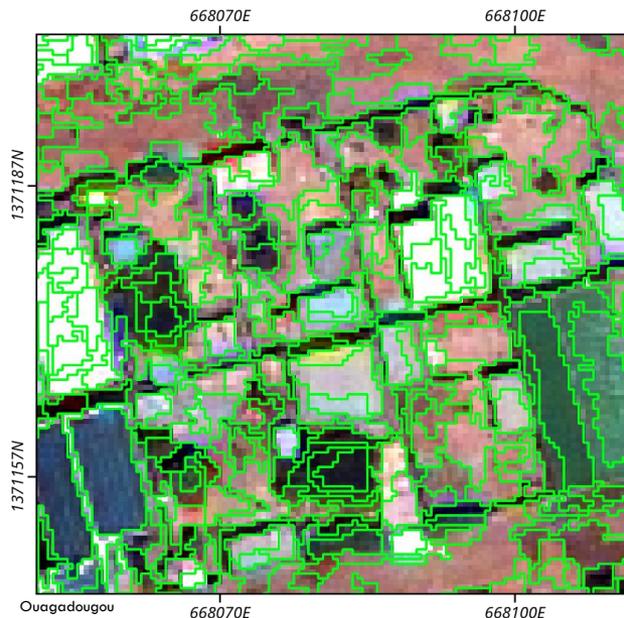
■ Segmentation Parameter optimization

- ❑ Automated process for optimising the segmentation parameters (local optimisation due to high diversity)
- ❑ Objective: avoid under- or over-segmentation
- ❑ image segmentation into groups of pixels

(objects)

OVER-SEGMENTATION

UNDER-SEGMENTATION





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Land cover – step 2

■ Segmentation

□ Statistics computed for each object

- ❖ Geometrical (shape, area, compactness)
- ❖ Spectral (VNIR, NDVI)
- ❖ nDSM
- ❖ Textures



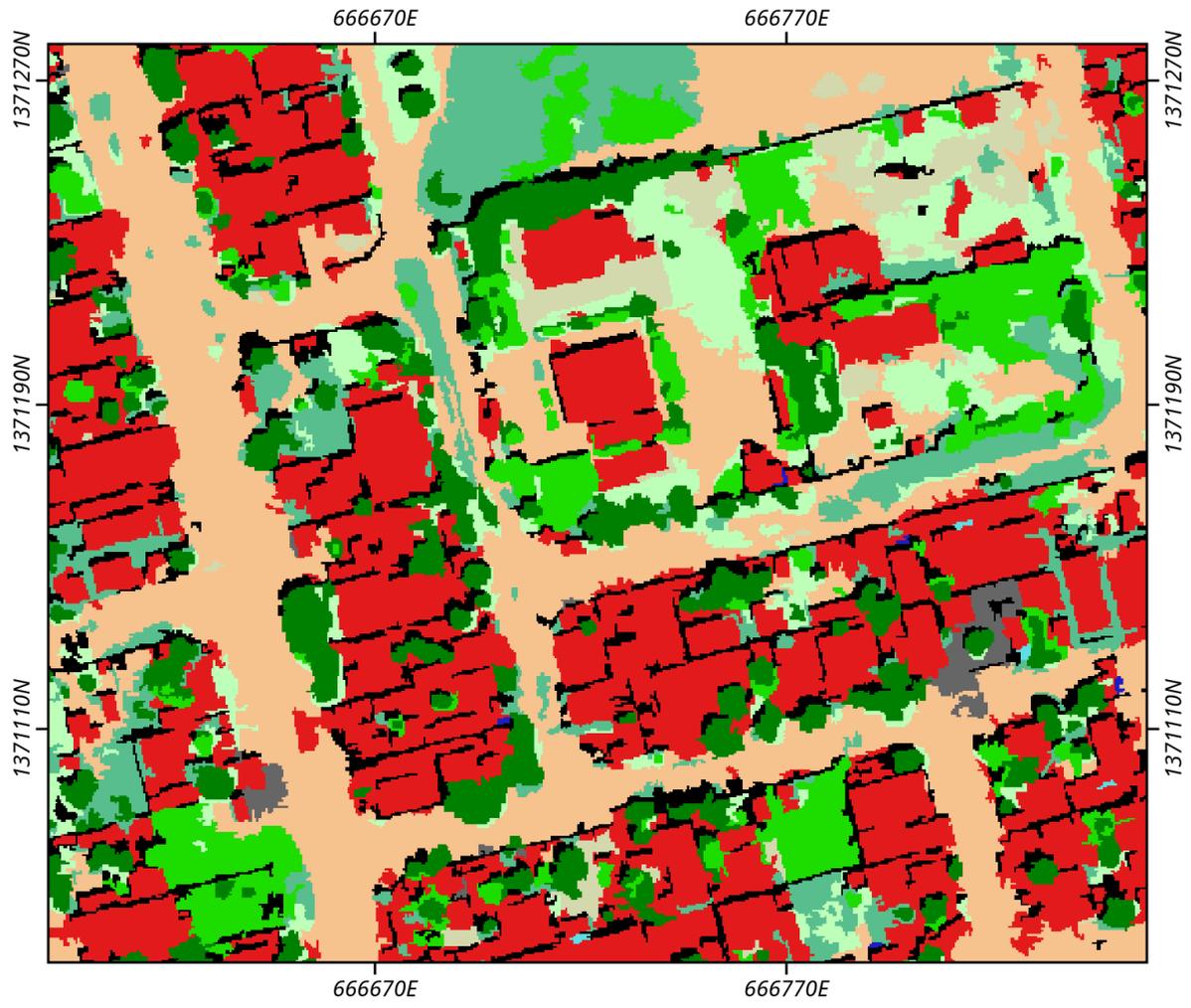
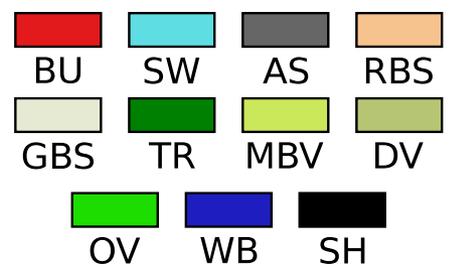
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0 20 40 m

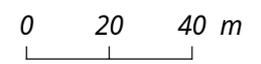
Land cover – step 3

Classification

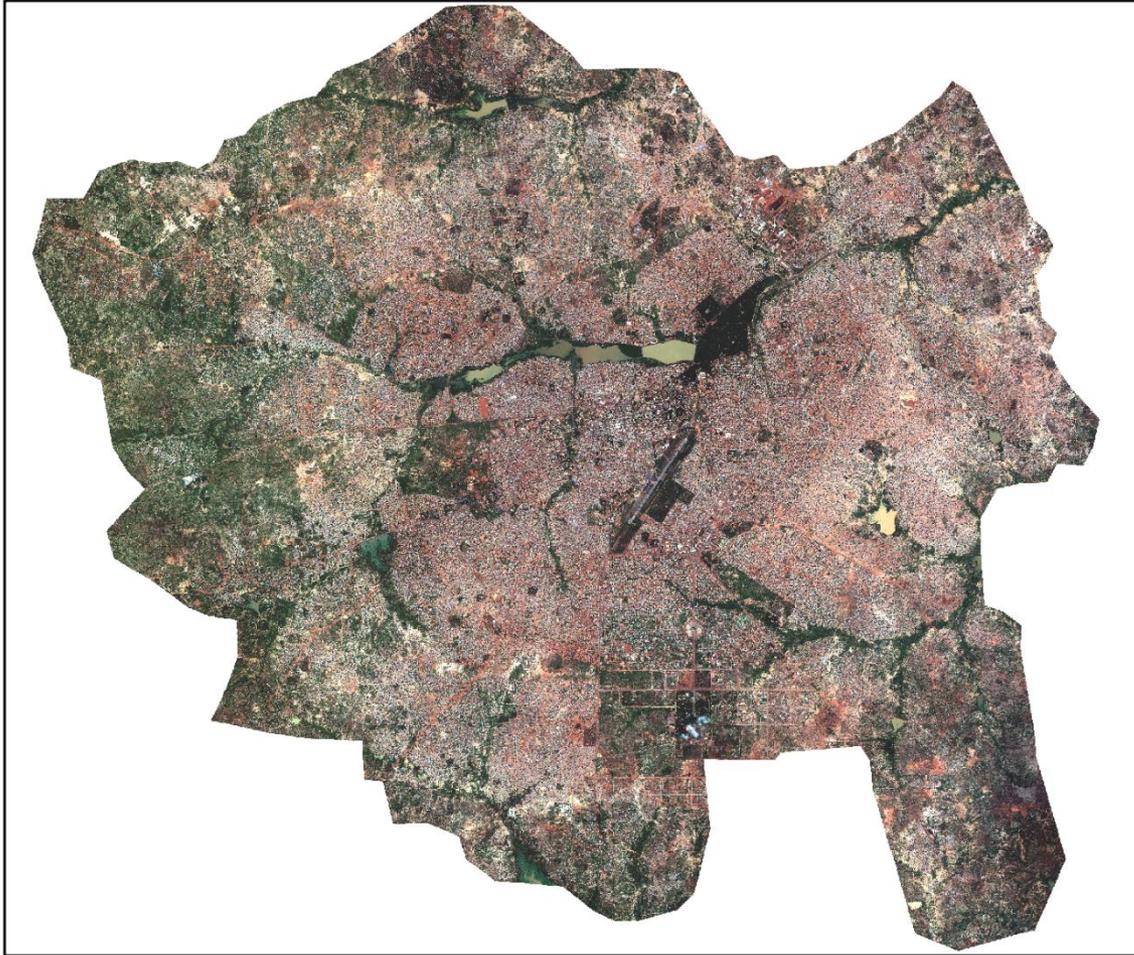
- Random Forest classifier
- Classification of all the objects



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Land use – step 1 : Partition of the city into blocks



Use of OSM

Lines

Roads, tracks

Rivers

Limits

...

Polygons

Residential areas

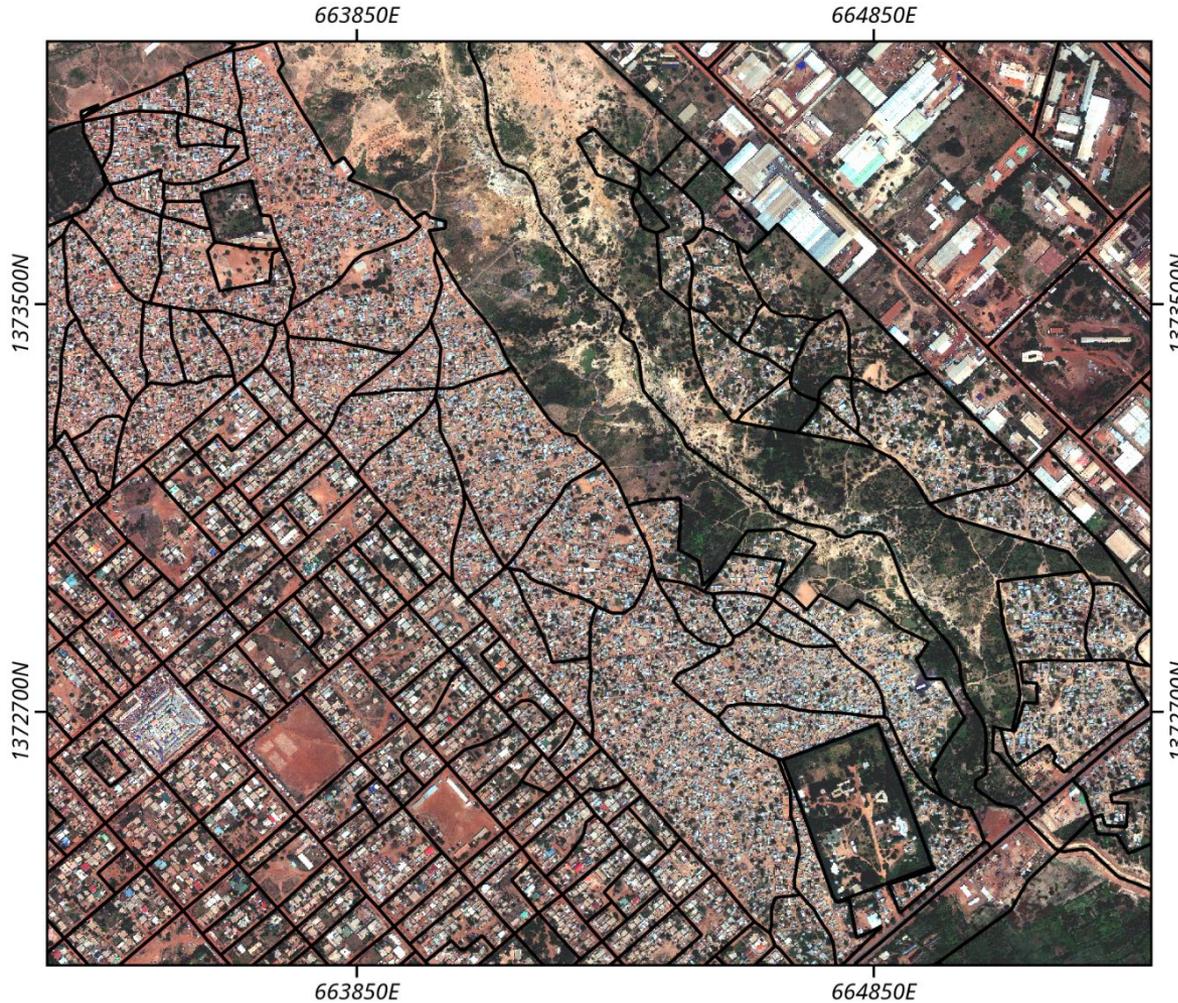
Parks

Water bodies

Cemeteries

Military camps

Land use – step 1 : Partition of the city into blocks

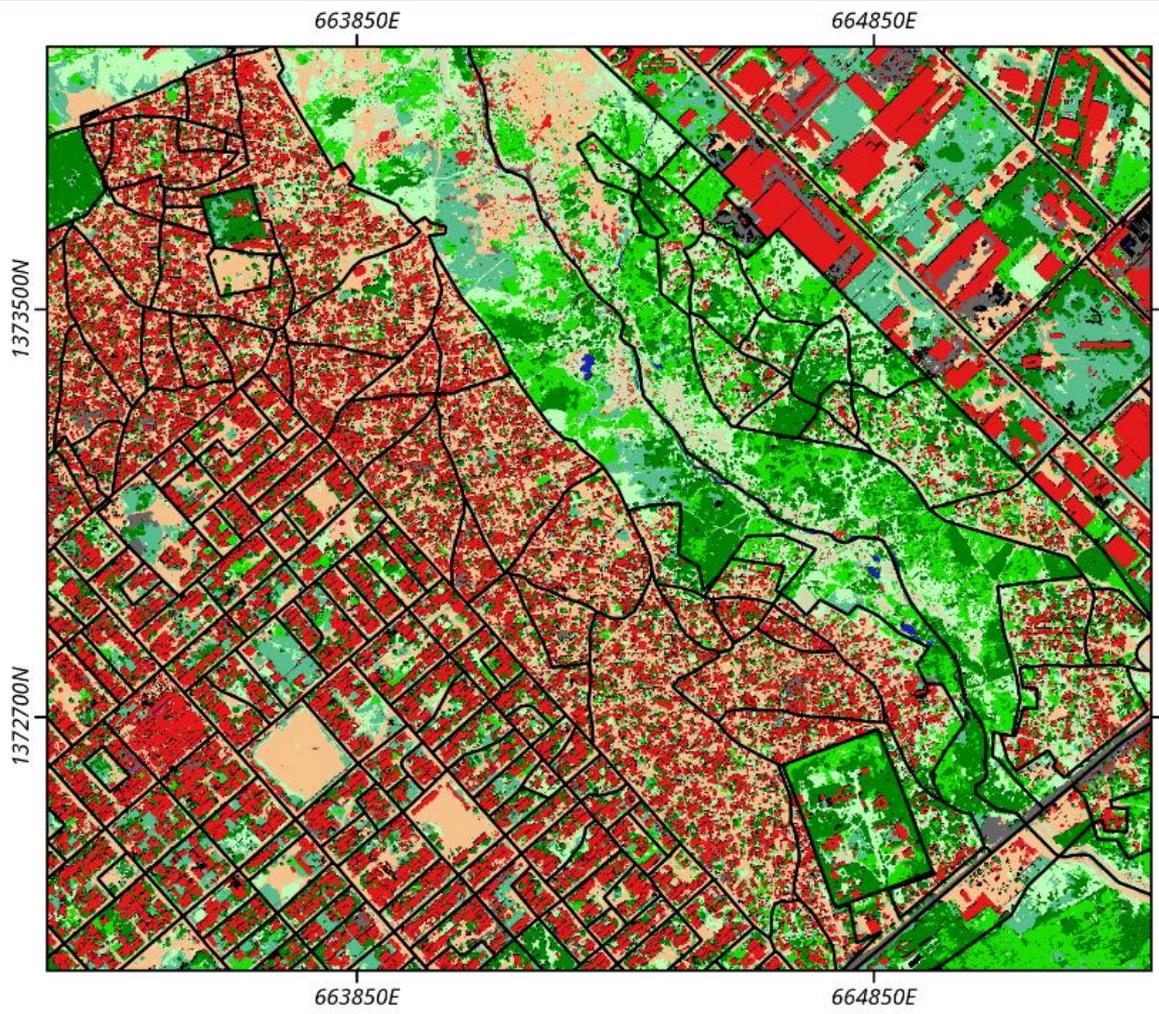


- Result refined with GIS commands (removing spurious polygons due to overlaps)

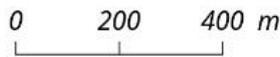
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0 200 400 m

Land use - Step 2 : Landscape metrics derived from each block



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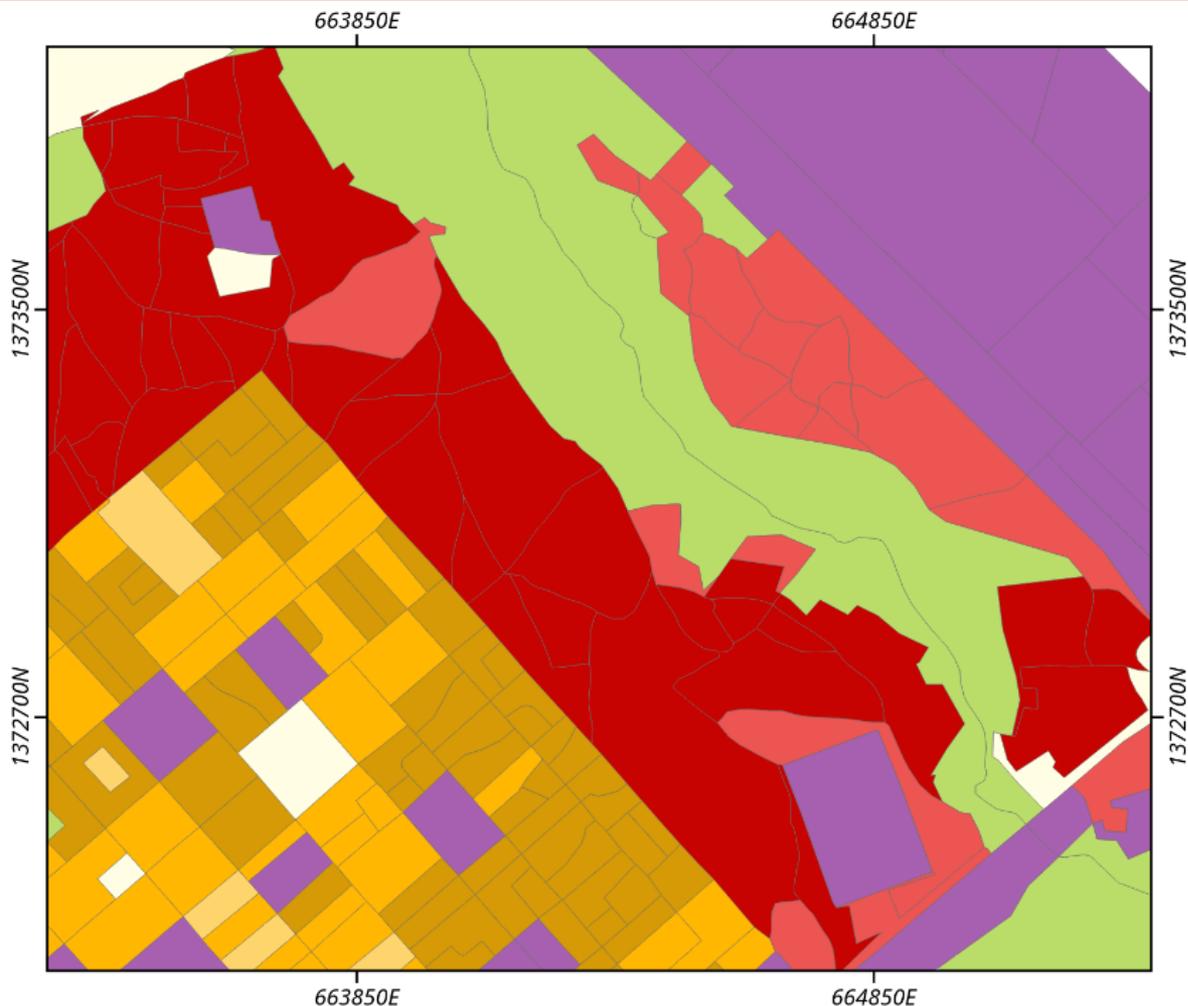


- Landscape metrics are calculated for each city block, using the land-cover layer as input
- Different levels
 - Patch metrics (e.g., mean patch size, fractal index)
 - Class metrics (e.g., mean distance between patches of the same class)
 - Landscape metrics (e.g., proportion of each class)



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Land use - Step 3 : Classification of the city blocks



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|---------------------------------------|--|
| Bare-soil | Planned residential - Medium density |
| Vegetation | Planned residential - Low density |
| Administrative, commercial or service | Unplanned residential - High density |
| Planned residential - High density | Unplanned residential - Medium density |

0 100 m

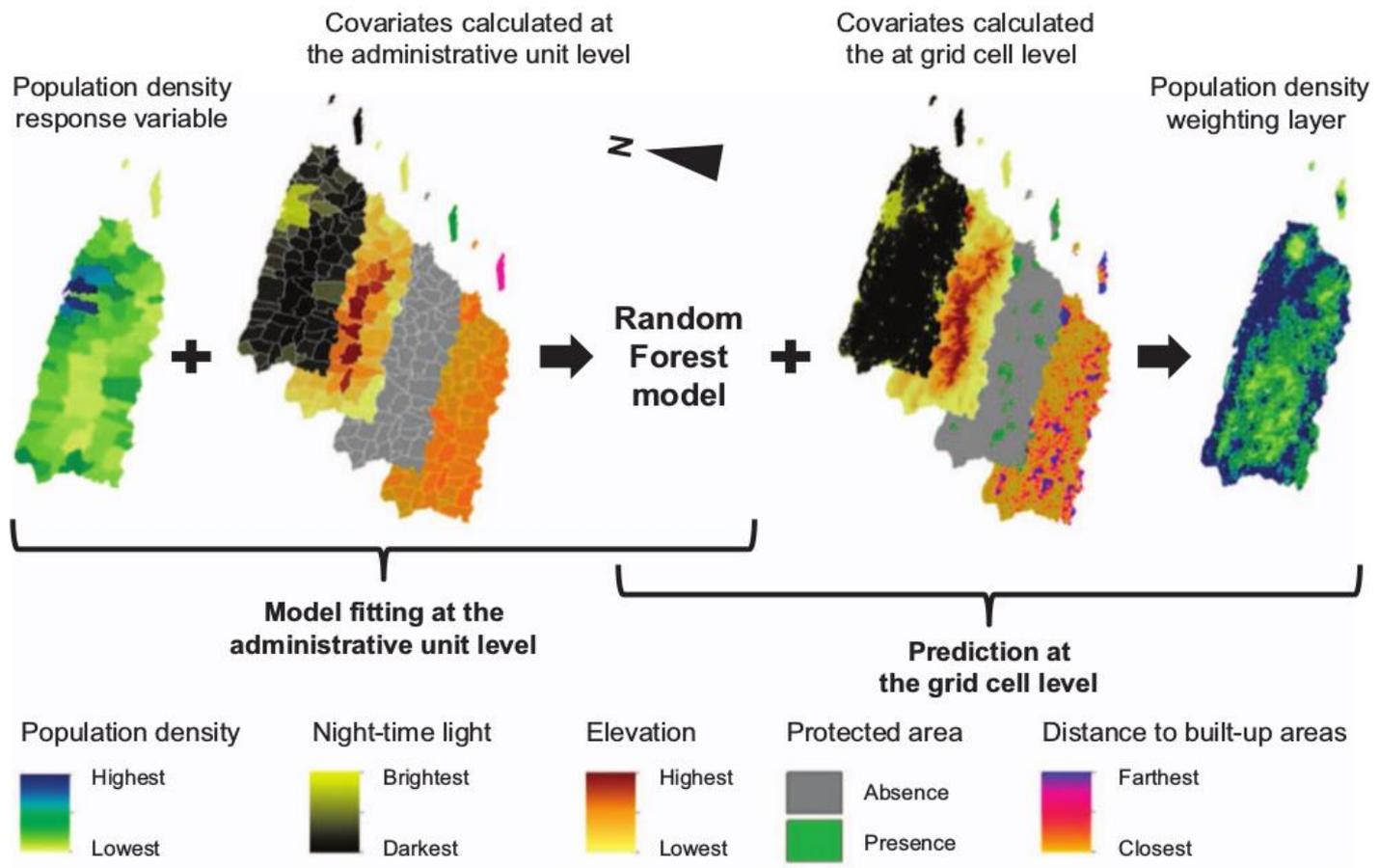
- Classification of the blocks using a machine learning (Random Forest) or rule-based approach



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Population density – method

Same method as for high resolution remote sensing data



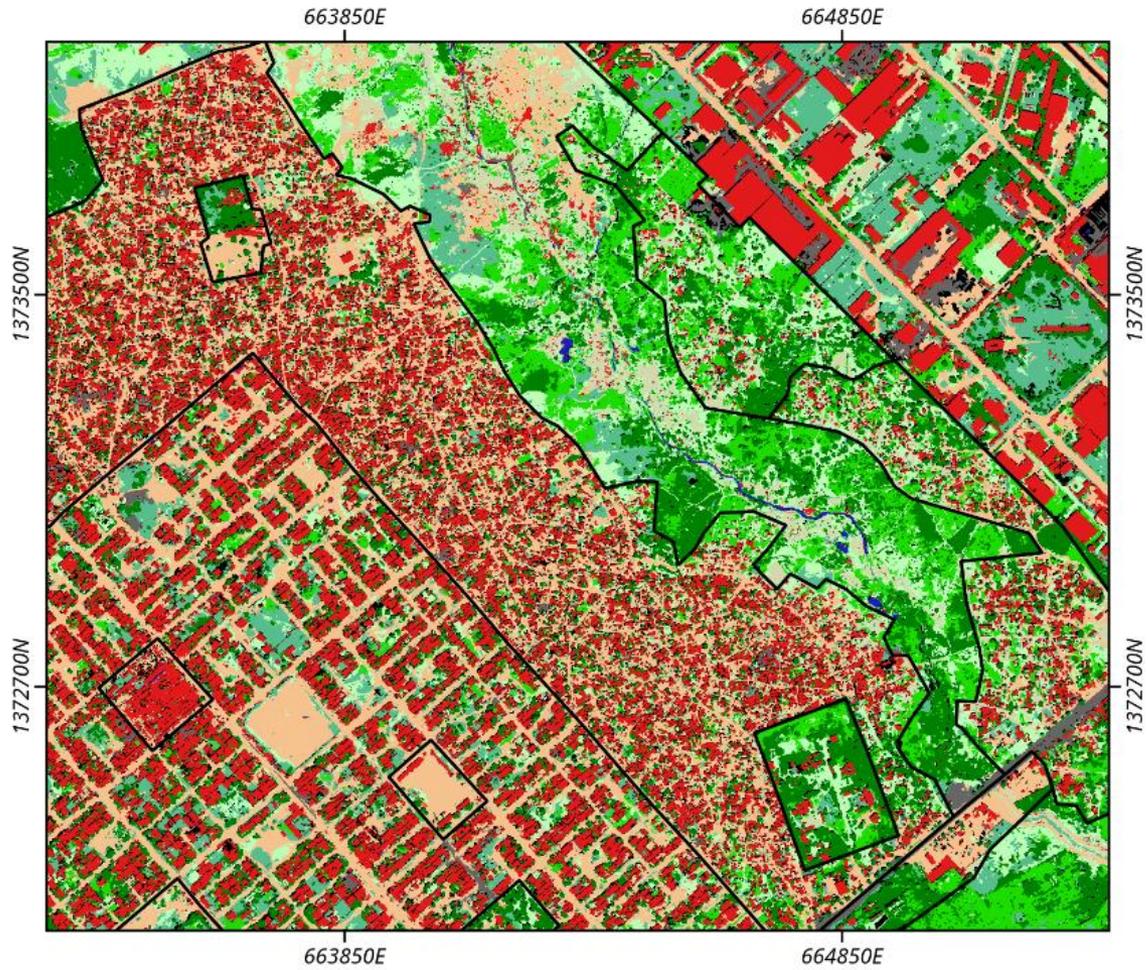
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Population density – prediction

Land Cover
0.5m
resolution



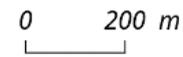
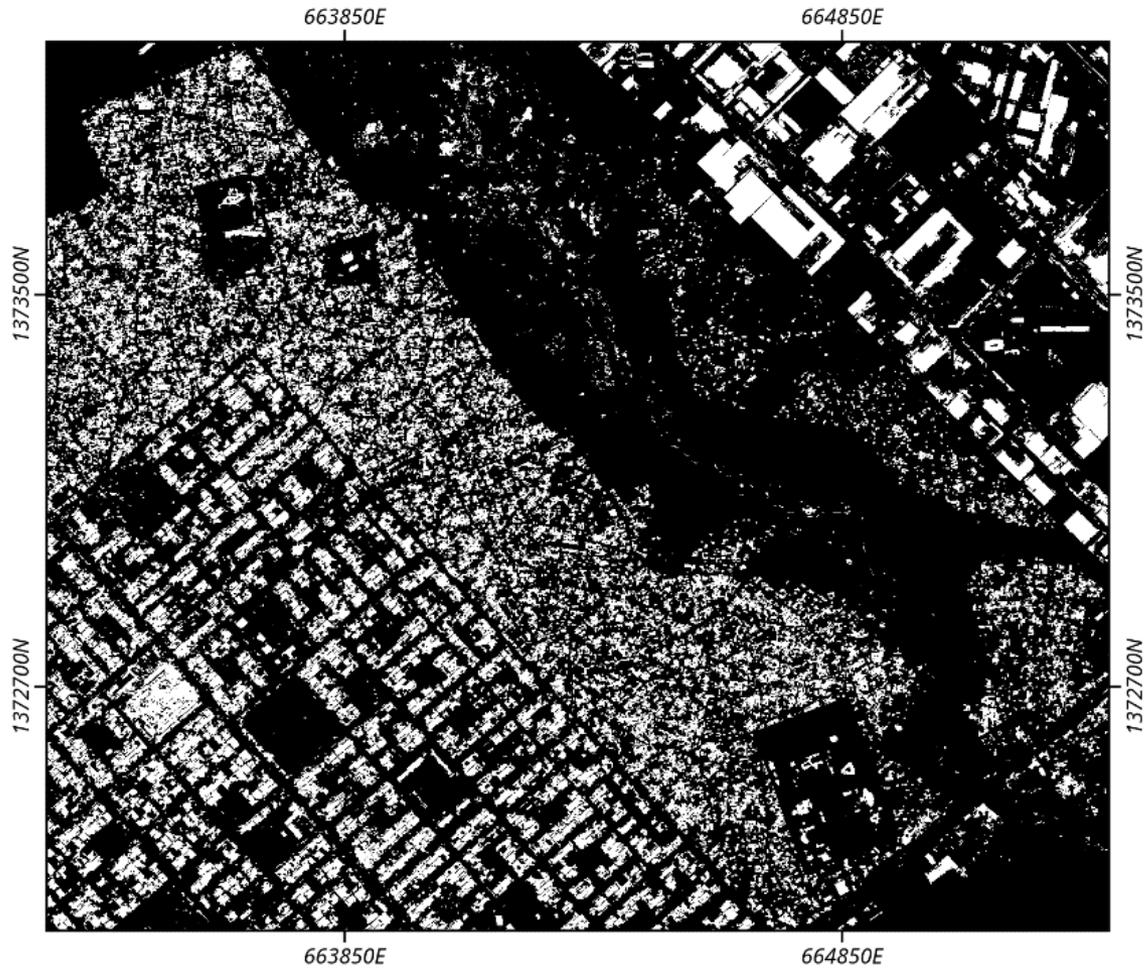
0 200 m



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Population density – prediction

Binary map
Presence of
Built-up



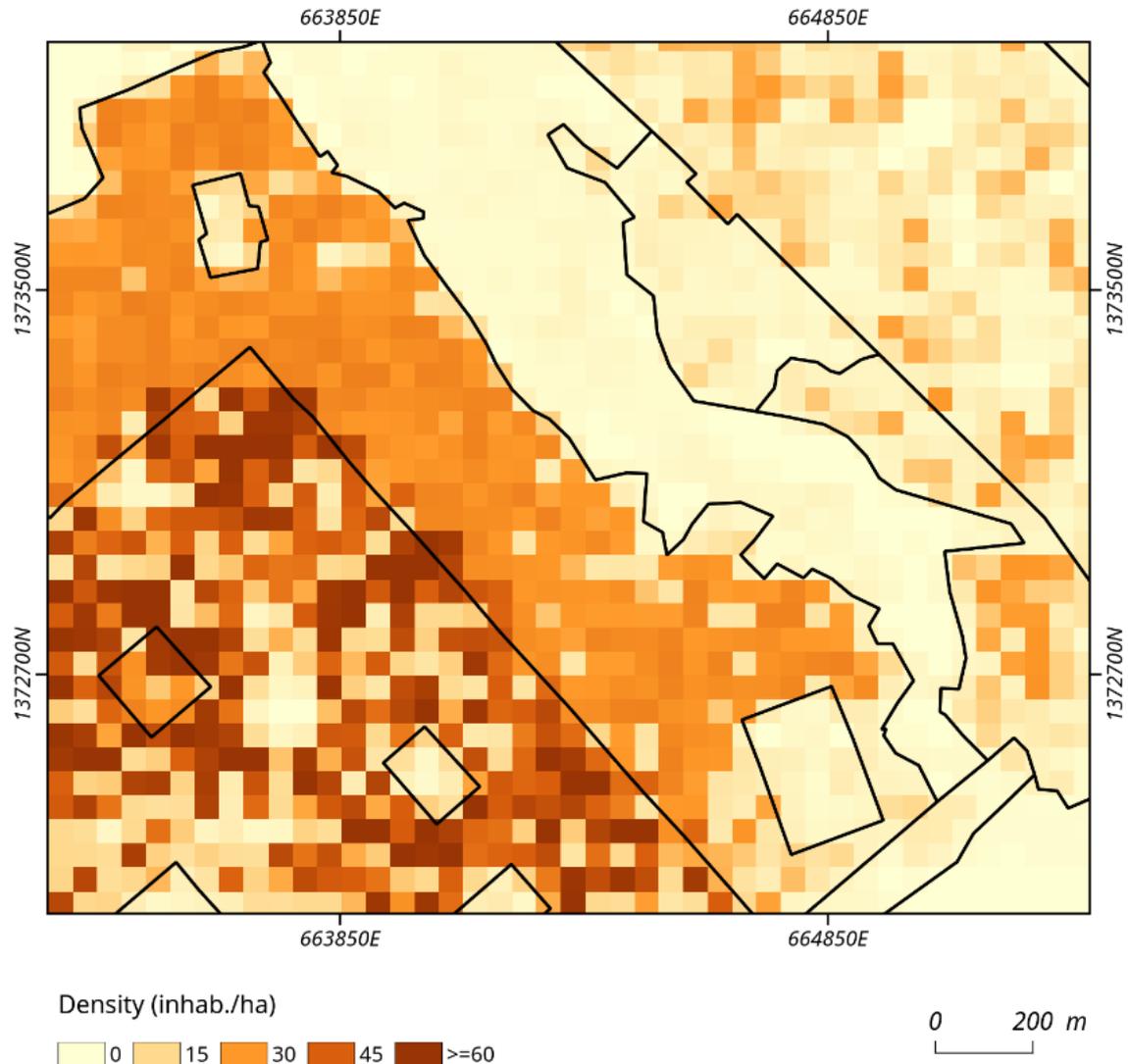


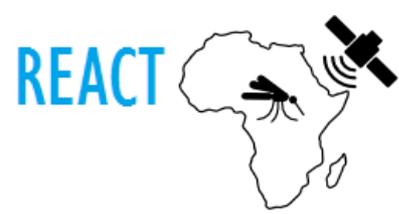
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Population density – prediction

First results

Grid cells
50m * 50m





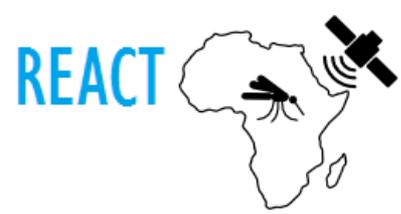
Poverty and Malaria Mapping in SSA cities

- There is an important gap to fill in the study of poverty and disease in an intra-urban context
- Several RS covariates can help in addressing this task

**Very-High
Resolution -Pleiades**

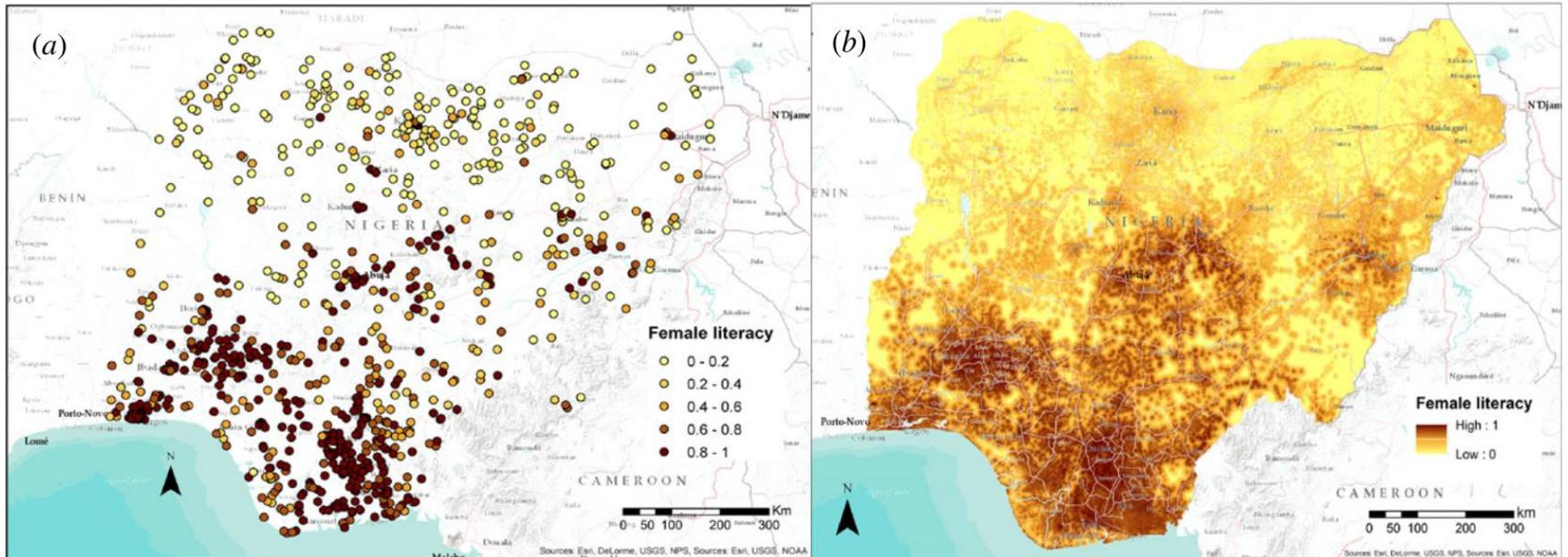


Elevation, Land cover, Land use,
Ratios, Indices (vegetation,
wetness), Density, Distance,
Landscape metrics...

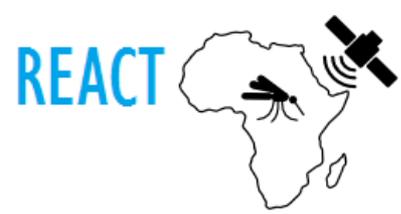


Poverty Mapping

- Demographic Indicators predicted at the national level from Demographic and Health Surveys (DHS)
- Mainly moderate to low RS covariates used (i.e. MODIS LC and EVI, nightlights, aridity)

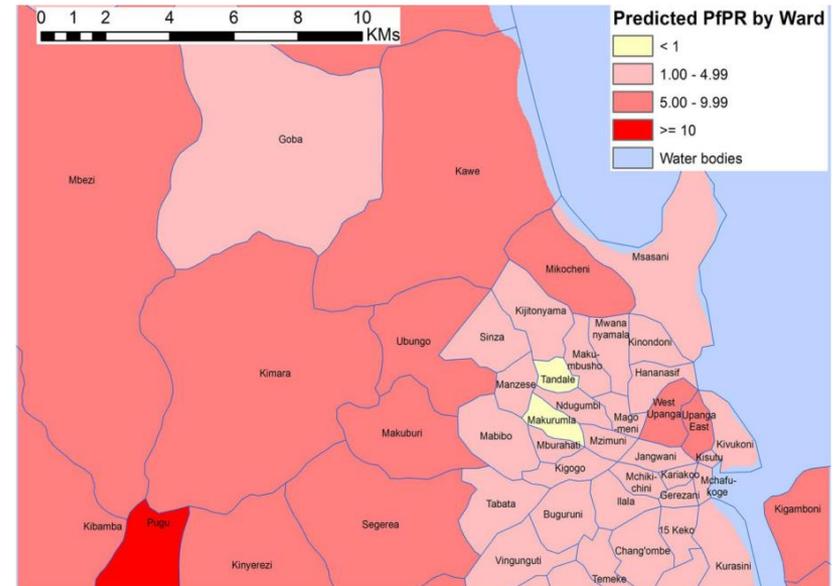
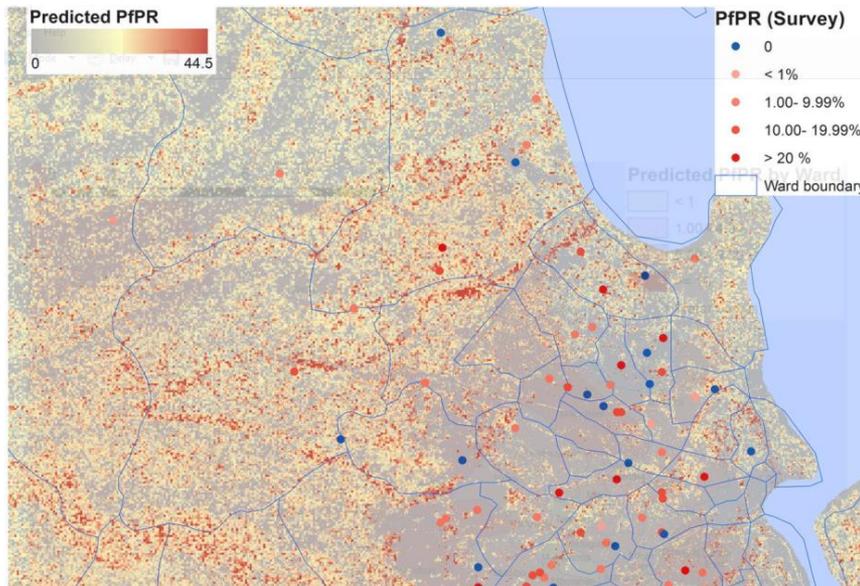


➔ In **REACT** aiming for modelling intra-urban variations through VHR covariates and DHS surveys



Intra-Urban Malaria Mapping

- Intra-urban Malaria Prevalence in Dar es Salaam (Kabaria et al. 2016)
- Land Cover ratios as input with high-resolution RS products



➔ VHR covariates can push beyond the state of the art further improving malaria predictions (Grippa et al. 2017)



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