

### Notation

$\mathbf{Y} \equiv$  One-dimensional vector containing the outcome measure of interest for each unit of observation; i.e., a cross-sectional measurement of forest cover change.  $Y_i$  represents the outcome measurement at unit of observation  $i$ .

$\mathbf{X} \equiv$   $j$  by  $i$  matrix containing ancillary information which may impact the outcome measure of interest, excluding the treatment.  $X_{j,i}$  represents the information for covariate  $j$  at unit of observation  $i$ .

$\mathbf{T} \equiv$  One-dimensional vector containing the treatment status for each unit of observation; i.e., if a project to decrease deforestation existed at that location.  $T_i$  represents the treatment status at unit of observation  $i$ .

The data generation process is run to examine the impact spatial spillover in any of the three elements  $(\mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{T})$  defined above in causal inferential designs.

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