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Research Update

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Summary of progress

- Damage analysis and recovery prediction for Beirut explosion
 - Fixed python environment and configuration issue
 - Did linear regression for wealth index and nightlight intensity
 - Analyzed reasons for a negative R^2
 - Still trying to get the change of two images in May and September

- Building damage and influence analysis for Beirut explosion

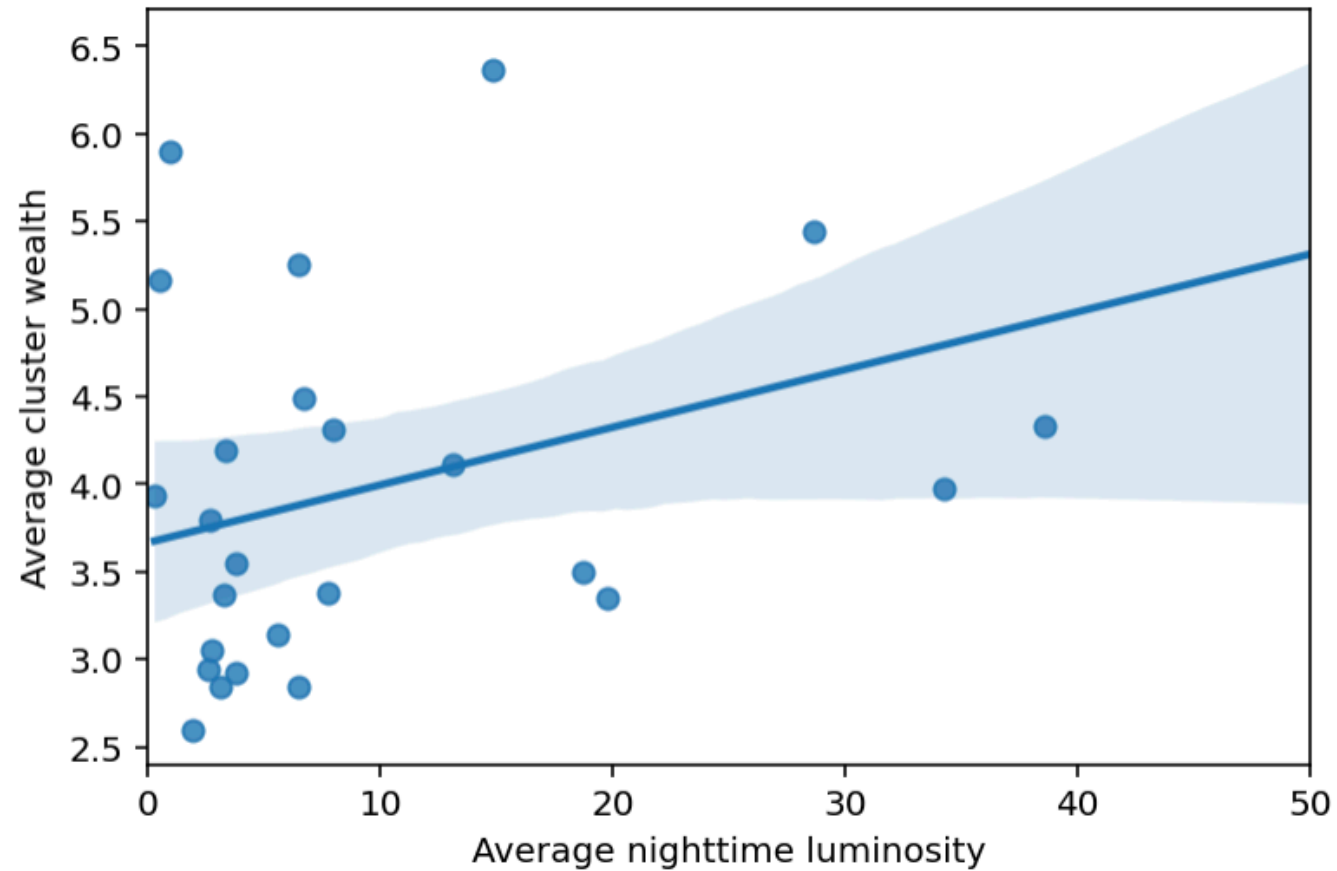
Objectives

- Predict damage of each building according to available survey data.
- Predict the damage of buildings to local communities.
- Observe and predict how recovery develops and the interaction between communities and infrastructure.

Progress1 Fixed python environment and configuration issue

- Reinstalled everything
- Python package install issue caused by Chinese fire wall
- Couldn't import gdal
- Python3.9 Collide with pandas

Progress2 Did linear regression for wealth index and nightlight intensity



R² of the best model:
-0.9105893313255798

Progress3 Analyzed reasons for a negative R^2

- Simple take a weighted average for the average wage and the percentage in each income interval cannot accurately represent wealth index
- The method to calculate nightlight intensity is hard-coded and may not be appropriate for our problem
- Don't have enough data points especially in high nightlight intensity part
- Wealth index and nightlight intensity are not in linear relationship for these two graphs

Progress4 Still trying the get the change of two images in May and September

- Two images are different in size
- When I reduced size of the September's image and did deduction with May's image in array slicing, hard to convert it back