

Project Proposal

Pandemic Simulator

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1 Introduction

Our team decided to simulate a pandemic to help contain future panedemics more swiftly. During the current corona crisis it has become apparent that we need some way to predict the direction of a pandemic. In terms of feasebility we would first simulate a virus with just numbers and no graphical elements but later on we will incorperate a GUI if it is necessary. Since this is a purely scientific simulation done by students affordability and market and economic efficiency can not be determined. Since there isn't any funding involved in this project there are no risks only opportunities.

2 Initial Situation

The current corona crisis has shown us that an pandemic cannot be foreseen and needs to be dealt with as fast as possible in order to stop its spread. Currently measures like masks, shields or curfews cannot be tested unless they have shown some effect to stop the spread of a virus. Current Simulations lack the necessary complexity to be realistic enough to test such measures.

3 General Conditions and Constraints

The proposed system has to the deal with the following constraints:

- Data acquisition only through trustworthy sources like governments etc.
- Currently we don't have any knowledge on the subject which means we need to investigate it first.
- Can't be too hard to calculate because we don't have much cumputing power.

4 Project Objectives and System Concepts

- Results shall be presented as clear and easy readable as possible.
- Infectionrate, Susceptible, Infected, casualties and recovered should be displayed on a graph.
- The calculations shall reflect a real virus with as much precision as possible.
- All initial data for the virus, event probability, etc must be displayed.

5 Opportunities and Risks

The project has the following opportunities:

- Pandemics can be shown simplyfied.
- Gain intel on an incoming pandemic.
- Government support because it helps them.

There are no risks because it is a purely scientific project without funding done by students.

6 Planning

List of major project milestones

- knowledge acquisition.
- Running prototype with first results.
- Output in the form of a graph.
- Data acquisition from existing viruses.
- Scientific results for predicting outbreaks.

Our project will start after the required knowledge as been acquired which is estimated to be around january and will end with the with the start of summer break. First prototype should be available around the end of january. Implementation will start after knowledge acquisition. The core engine of the simulation will be the biggest block of work to be done. We are positive that we can do all the work in the given time.