Aspects of Modeling Human Behavior in Agent-Based Social Simulation – What Can We Learn from the COVID-19 Pandemic?

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Aim of the Study:

 Identify aspects of agent behavior relevant for simulating the behavior of humans.

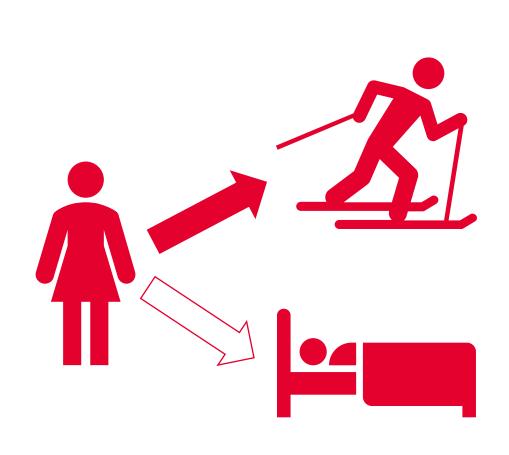
 Use these to <u>review human behavior in ABSS models</u> developed in the early stages of the <u>COVID-19 pandemic</u>, in order to understand the current capabilities of ABSS during crises.



7 Aspects:

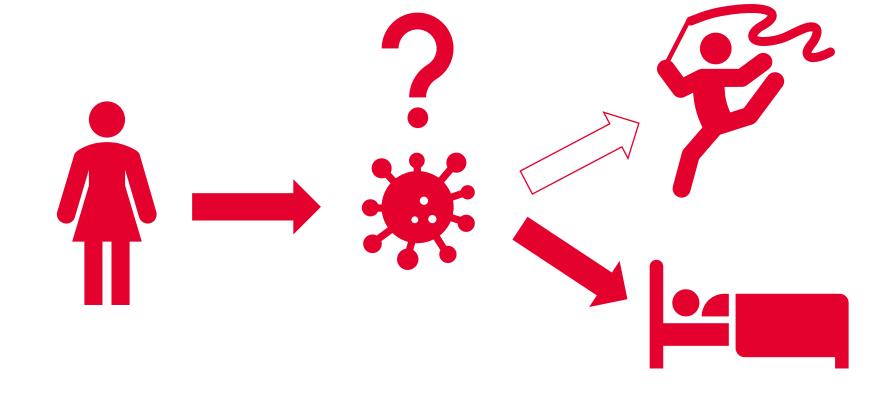


Attribute Dependence





State Dependence







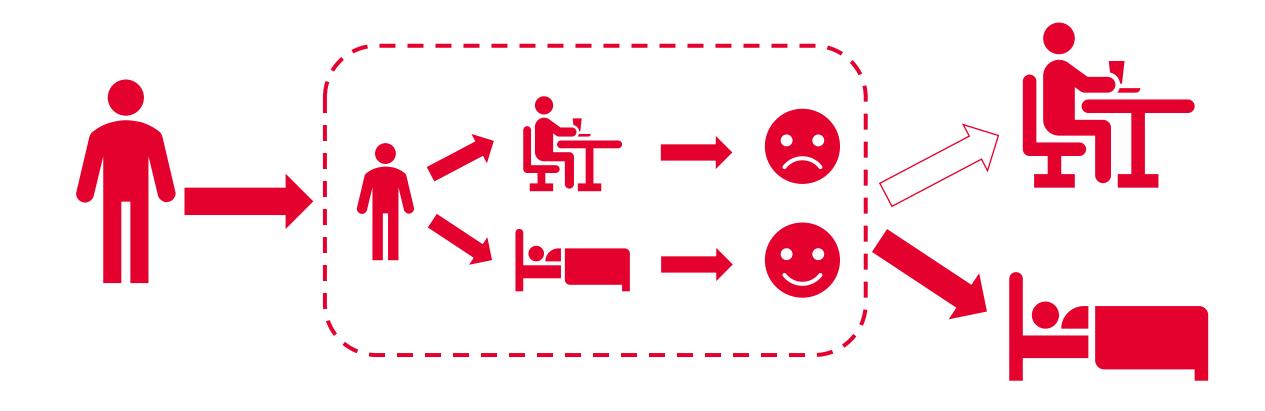
Uncertainty Dependence



Context Dependence













Learning



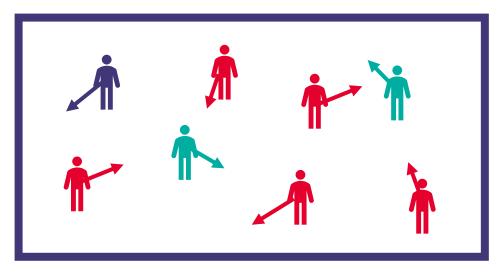


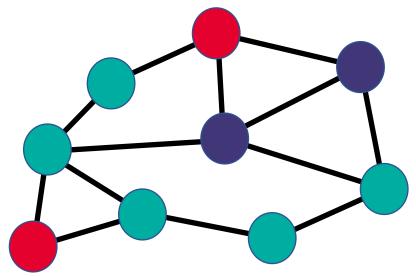
Review

 Previous study: 126 ABSS models, pre October 1st 2020.

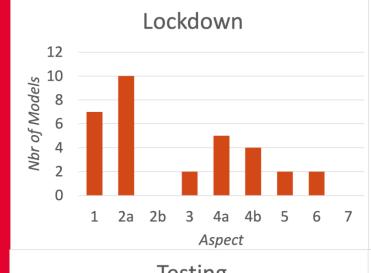
• Excluded models with very simple behavior.

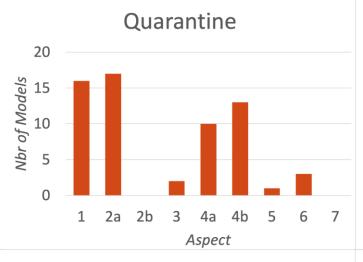
• Left with 30 models.



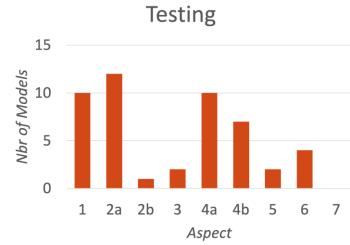


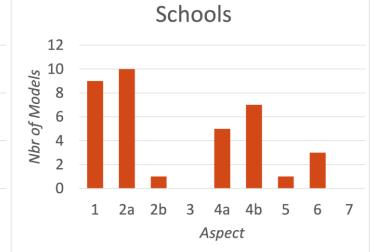
















Less common aspects:

- Affective dependence: 1 model.
- Other diseases: 3 models.
- Deliberation: 3 models.
- Intervention compliance: 7 models.
- Learning: 0 models.





1: Tools for (rapid) behavior modelling



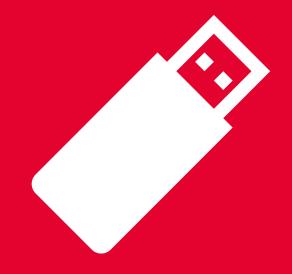


2: Model reusability





3: Readily available data for behavior modelling









Thank you!



