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Advanced Disease Simulation Platform

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Visualize and analyze disease spread patterns with our advanced simulation tools powered by the Barabasi-Albert algorithm and interactive visualizations.

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Models and Libraries

- ▶ **Languages:** TypeScript & React (Next.js “use client”)
- ▶ **Visualization:** D3.js (SVG) & HTML5 Canvas API
- ▶ **Compute:** Web Workers (force layout), GPU.js (optional kernel)
- ▶ **UI Components:** shadcn/ui, lucide-react, Tailwind CSS

Note:

Shifted to this stack instead of original proposal because:

- ▶ Web Workers offload compute; GPU.js scales to 1,000+ nodes via GPU acceleration.
- ▶ D3.js with SVG/Canvas outshines Plotly for large networks.
- ▶ Next.js enables cross-device use without installs.
- ▶ TypeScript optimized custom algorithms (e.g., Fenwick Tree).

SEIRD Model Overview

We simulate disease with five compartments:

S (Susceptible) Uninfected individuals at risk.

E (Exposed) Infected but *not yet* infectious (incubation).

I (Infectious) Can transmit disease to neighbors.

R (Recovered) No longer infectious, immune (temporary).

D (Deceased) Removed by mortality.

Transitions per day:

$$S \xrightarrow{\beta} E, \quad E \xrightarrow{\sigma = \frac{1}{\text{incubation}}} I, \quad I \xrightarrow{\gamma} R, \quad I \xrightarrow{\mu} D, \quad R \xrightarrow{\rho=0.01} S$$

Key Parameters

- ▶ **Population Size:** total number of individuals in the simulated population (nodes 100–2500)
- ▶ **Initial Infected:** number of infected individuals at the start of the simulation (scaled with population)
- ▶ **Basic Reproduction Number R_0 :** average number of secondary infections produced by a single infected individual in a completely susceptible population. Higher values indicate more contagious diseases (0.1–10)
- ▶ **Recovery Rate:** probability that an infected individual will recover during each time step. Higher values indicate faster recovery $P[I \rightarrow R]$ (0.01–0.5)
- ▶ **Infectious Mortality Rate:** base probability that an infectious individual will die from the disease. This is modified by other factors like vaccination rate and social distancing $P[I \rightarrow D]$ (0.001–0.1)

Advanced Parameters

- ▶ **Incubation Period:** days before $E \rightarrow I$ (1–30)
- ▶ **Infectious Period:** duration during which an infected individual can transmit the disease to others. Longer periods increase the potential for spread (1–30)
- ▶ **Vaccination Rate (ν):** proportion of the population that is vaccinated against the disease. Higher vaccination rates provide greater herd immunity (0–1)
- ▶ **Social Distancing (α):** degree to which individuals reduce their social contacts. Higher values reduce disease transmission (0–1)

Population Mortality Rate

We compute a single “population mortality rate” (PMR) as:

$$\text{PMR} = \underbrace{\left(1 - \frac{1}{R_0(1-\alpha)}\right)}_{\text{Attack Rate}} \times \underbrace{\text{IFR}(1 - \nu \epsilon)}_{\text{Adjusted Fatality}}$$

R_0 Basic reproduction number

α Social distancing factor

IFR Infection fatality rate (per-case mortality)

ν Vaccination rate

ϵ Vaccine efficacy (we use 0.80)

Simulation Parameters

Population Size

200 agents



The total number of individuals in the simulated population. Larger populations provide more realistic results but require more computational resources. (Valid range: 100 to 10000)

R_0 (Basic Reproduction Number)

2.5



The average number of secondary infections produced by a single infected individual in a completely susceptible population. Higher values indicate more contagious diseases. (Valid range: 0.1 to 10)

Initial Infected

10 agents



The number of infected individuals at the start of the simulation. This represents the initial outbreak size. (Valid range: 1 to 100)

Recovery Rate

0.05



The probability that an infected individual will recover during each time step. Higher values indicate faster recovery. (Valid range: 0.01 to 0.5)

Advanced Parameters



Start Simulation →

Advanced Parameters



Incubation Period

5 days



The time between exposure to the pathogen and the onset of symptoms. During this period, individuals may be infected but not yet infectious. (Valid range: 1 to 30)

Infectious Period

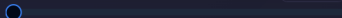
10 days



The duration during which an infected individual can transmit the disease to others. Longer periods increase the potential for spread. (Valid range: 1 to 30)

Vaccination Rate

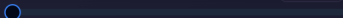
0



The proportion of the population that is vaccinated against the disease. Higher vaccination rates provide greater herd immunity. (Valid range: 0 to 1)

Social Distancing

0



The degree to which individuals reduce their social contacts. Higher values represent stricter social distancing measures, reducing disease transmission. (Valid range: 0 to 1)

Infectious Mortality Rate

0.005



The base probability that an infectious individual will die from the disease. This is modified by other factors like vaccination rate and social distancing. (Valid range: 0.001 to 0.1)

Start Simulation →

Network Generation

- ▶ Custom Barabási–Albert (BA) implementation:
 1. Start with m_0 fully connected nodes.
 2. For each new node $i = m_0, \dots, N - 1$:
 - ▶ compute `total = fenw.query(N-1)`
 - ▶ repeat m times:
 - ▶ draw $r \leftarrow \text{random}() \times \text{total}$
 - ▶ $t \leftarrow \text{fenw.sample}(r)$
 - ▶ `connect(i, t); fenw.update(i, 1); fenw.update(t, 1)`
- ▶ Uses Fenwick tree sampling in $O(\log N)$ per edge ($O(N \log N)$ overall)

Network Generation: Pseudocode

Barabási–Albert with Fenwick Sampling

```
for i = m0 to N-1:
  total = fenw.query(N-1)
  for k = 1 to m:
    r = random() * total
    t = fenw.sample(r)
    connect(i, t)
    fenw.update(i, 1)
    fenw.update(t, 1)
  end for
end for
```

Fenwick Tree Optimization (Part 1)

- ▶ **What is a Fenwick Tree?** A data structure for efficient prefix sum queries and updates, both in $O(\log N)$ time.
- ▶ **Usage in Network Generation:**
 - ▶ Maintains cumulative sum of node degrees in an array $f[1..N]$.
 - ▶ Enables sampling of nodes proportional to their degrees in $O(\log N)$ per operation.
 - ▶ Replaces $O(N)$ linear sampling, reducing total complexity from $O(N^2)$ to $O(N \log N)$.

Fenwick Tree Optimization (Part 2)

- ▶ `update(idx, delta)`: Adds `delta` to node `idx`'s degree and updates the tree in $O(\log N)$.
- ▶ `query(i)`: Computes sum of degrees up to index `i` in $O(\log N)$.
- ▶ `sample(target)`: Finds node with cumulative degree sum \geq `target` via binary search-like walk in $O(\log N)$.
- ▶ Ensures preferential attachment: nodes with higher degrees are more likely to gain edges.

Fenwick Tree Optimization

Pseudocode:

```
Initialize Fenwick tree fenw with size N
for i from 0 to m0-1:
    Add node i to network
    fenw.update(i, m0 - 1)
    for j from 0 to i-1:
        Add edge (i, j)
for i from m0 to N-1:
    Add node i to network
    total = fenw.query(N-1)
    targets = empty set
    while |targets| < m:
        r = random() * total
        t = fenw.sample(r)
        if t != i and t not in targets:
            Add t to targets
    for t in targets:
        Add edge (i, t)
        fenw.update(i, 1)
        fenw.update(t, 1)
```

```
28  /** Fenwick (BIT) for weighted-degree sampling in  $O(\log n)$  */
```

```
29  class Fenwick {
```

```
30      private n: number
```

```
31      private f: number[]
```

```
32      constructor(n: number) {
```

```
33          this.n = n
```

```
34          this.f = Array(n + 1).fill(0)
```

```
35      }
```

```
36      update(i: number, delta: number) {
```

```
37          for (let x = i + 1; x <= this.n; x += x & -x) {
```

```
38              this.f[x] += delta
```

```
39          }
```

```
40      }
```

```
41      query(i: number): number {
```

```
42          let s = 0
```

```
43          for (let x = i + 1; x > 0; x -= x & -x) {
```

```
44              s += this.f[x]
```

```
45          }
```

```
46          return s
```

```
47      }
```

```
48      sample(target: number): number {
```

```
49          let idx = 0
```

```
50          let bitMask = 1 << Math.floor(Math.log2(this.n))
```

```
51          while (bitMask) {
```

```
52              const t = idx + bitMask
```

```
53              if (t <= this.n && this.f[t] <= target) {
```

```
54                  target -= this.f[t]
```

```
55                  idx = t
```

```
56              }
```

```
57              bitMask >>= 1
```

```
58          }
```

```
59          return idx
```

```
60      }
```

```
61  }
```


Force-Directed Layout

- ▶ D3.js forces (in Web Worker):

`link` spring to connect edges

`charge` repulsion between nodes

`center` attract to canvas center

`collision` prevent overlap

- ▶ Render via SVG *or* Canvas API (20 fps throttled)
- ▶ Optional GPU.js kernel for all-pairs repulsion

Force-Directed Graph: Pseudocode

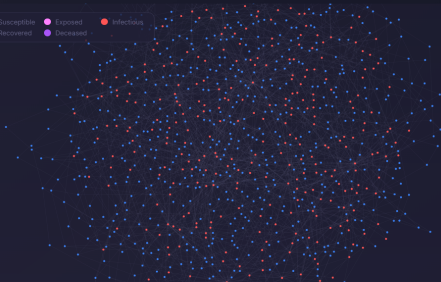
Force Simulation Loop

```
function forceSimulation(nodes, links):  
    Initialize simulation with forces:  
        link = spring force on edges  
        charge = repulsion between nodes  
        center = attraction to canvas center  
        collision = prevent node overlap  
    alpha = 1 // Initial energy  
    while alpha >= threshold:  
        for each node:  
            netForce = lF + chF + ceForce + colForce  
        for each node:  
            velocity += netForce * alpha  
            position += velocity  
        Apply constraints (e.g., collision boundaries)  
        alpha *= (1 - alphaDecay) // Cool down simulation  
    return final node positions
```

Network Graph (SEIRD Model)

High Performance Mode ☐

● Susceptible ● Exposed ● Infectious
● Recovered ● Deceased

Day
1Susceptible
700Exposed
0Infectious
300Recovered
0Deceased
0

Simulation Controls



Ready to start

Simulation Speed Normal

Move slider right for faster simulation, left for slower

Simulation Parameters

Population Size: 1000
Initial Infected: 300
 R_0 Value: 2.5
Incubation Period: 5 days
Infectious Period: 10 days
Recovery Rate: 5.00%
Social Distancing: 25.00%
Vaccination Rate: 25.00%
Infectious Mortality Rate: 0.50%

Population Mortality Rate: 0.19%Calculated based on R_0 , social distancing, vaccination rate, and infectious mortality rate.

SEIRD Simulation Step

1. For each infectious node i :
 - ▶ For each neighbor j in adjacency list:
 - ▶ if j susceptible: infect w.p. p_{inf} (adjusted by vax/distancing)
 - ▶ $i \rightarrow D$ w.p. PMR or $i \rightarrow R$ w.p. recoveryRate
2. Exposed \rightarrow Infectious w.p. $1/\text{incubation}$
3. Recovered \rightarrow Susceptible w.p. 0.01 (SIRS)
4. Update stats + history

SEIRD Simulation Step

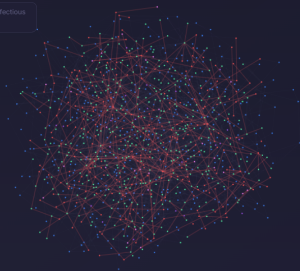
Pseudocode:

```
function simulationStep(nodes, links, params):
    newDay = currentDay + 1
    for each node i:
        if nodes[i].status == "infectious":
            for each neighbor j in adj[i]:
                if nodes[j].status == "susceptible":
                    p_infect = params.infectionRate *
                        (1 - params.socialDistancing) *
                        (1 - params.vaccinationRate * 0.8)
                    if random() < p_infect:
                        nodes[j].status = "exposed"
                        nodes[j].day = newDay
                        Add link (i, j) with day = newDay, active = true
            if random() < params.mortalityRate:
                nodes[i].status = "deceased"
                nodes[i].day = newDay
                Deactivate all links connected to i
            elif random() < params.recoveryRate:
                nodes[i].status = "recovered"
                nodes[i].day = newDay
        elif nodes[i].status == "exposed":
            if random() < params.exposedRate:
                nodes[i].status = "infectious"
                nodes[i].day = newDay
        elif nodes[i].status == "recovered":
            if random() < 0.01: // SIRS model
                nodes[i].status = "susceptible"
                nodes[i].day = newDay
    Update statistics (S, E, I, R, D counts)
    Save state to history
    return nodes, links
```

Network Graph (SEIRD Model)

High Performance Mode ☒

● Susceptible ● Exposed ● Infectious
● Recovered ● Deceased

Day
2Susceptible
353Exposed
29Infectious
233Recovered
363Deceased
22

Simulation Controls



Paused

Simulation Speed

Fast

Move slider right for faster simulation, left for slower.

Simulation Parameters

Population Size:	1000
Initial Infected:	300
R_0 Value:	2.5
Incubation Period:	5 days
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Network Graph (SEIRD Model)

High Performance Mode ☒Day
2Susceptible
395Exposed
15Infectious
91Recovered
471Deceased
28

Simulation Controls



Paused

Simulation Speed Fast

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 R_0 Value: 2.5

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Network Graph (SEIRD Model)

High Performance Mode ☒

● Susceptible ● Exposed ● Infectious
● Recovered ● Deceased

Day
6Susceptible
509Exposed
14Infectious
72Recovered
337Deceased
68

Simulation Controls



Paused

Simulation Speed Fast

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vaccination rate, and infectious mortality rate.

Observations

- ▶ Deceased nodes connections are disabled during simulation
- ▶ Low populations of 200 or less, with few infected individuals, result in a very short simulation with all nodes eventually healthy, even without any preventive measures like vaccinations or social distancing
- ▶ But for networks as large as 500 nodes, due to increased number of connections, disease spread is faster and number of infectious and deceased is noticeably higher
- ▶ PMR formula accurately predicts final death toll in benchmarks
- ▶ Colored transmission links reveal that infection spreads tend to have "epicenters" or "super-spreaders" and these tend to be near the center of the network
- ▶ Many other interesting observations result from manipulating different values of the parameters

Potential Improvements

▶ Network Generation:

- ▶ Parallelize Barabási–Albert model using Web Workers or GPU.js to speed up generation for 100k+ nodes.

▶ Force-Directed Layout:

- ▶ Could have Barnes-Hut approximation for repulsion forces, reducing complexity from $O(N^2)$ to $O(N \log N)$.

▶ Rendering:

- ▶ Implement level-of-detail (LOD) rendering: render clusters as single points when zoomed out.

▶ Data Structures:

- ▶ Switch to sparse matrices or compressed sparse row (CSR) formats for adjacency data to save memory.

Thank You

Questions?