

Model Description for the North American Animal Disease Spread Model 4.0

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- Version 1.0.3 (02 November 2005) Incorporates changes described in the following RFCs:
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 - o RFC-20050922ARb: Change in destruction and vaccination priority
 - o RFC-20050922ARc: *Initiation of a vaccination program*
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 - o RFC-20050927ARb: Clarification of detection timing
 - RFC-20050928AR: Vaccination parameters for individual production types
- Version 1.0.4 (23 December 2005) Incorporates changes described in the following RFCs:
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 - RFC-20051208NH: Destruction parameters for individual production types
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 - o RFC-20090429ARb: Vaccination of detected, infected units
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 - o RFC-20070514NH: Conflict resolution rewording
 - o RFC-20070910NH: New distance formula
 - o RFC-20091028NH: No zero-size units
 - o RFC-20091110AR: Tracing to previously detected units
 - o RFC-20100907KF: Detection

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 - o RFC-20060703ARa: Incorporation of a "Dead from Disease" state
 - o RFC-20070313SD: Replacing the algorithm for airborne spread
 - o RFC-20090428AR: Within-unit prevalence and disease spread by direct contact or local area spread
 - o RFC-20090429AR: Elimination of delay parameters
 - o RFC-20091016ARa: Vaccination queues

1. Introduction

This document is intended to be a plain-language description of the simulation model implemented in the *North American Animal Disease Spread Model (NAADSM)* version 4.0. Its purpose is to facilitate agreement among current team members on details of the model, to provide a basis for functional testing, and to provide model users and future team members with a complete but accessible description of the model.

Keywords

herd-level stochastic spatial state-transition simulation

2. Basics

A collection of one or more animals, called a "unit," is the basis of the simulation. A unit has a production type, size, location, and disease state. The production type may be a single kind of livestock (*e.g.*, "dairy cattle") or a mixed type (*e.g.*, "cattle and sheep"). Figure 3-1 shows the states a unit may be in and possible transitions among them.

The simulation proceeds in time steps of one day. Each day units may be affected by biological processes happening in the animals (*e.g.*, the natural progress of the disease), processes happening in the environment (*e.g.*, airborne spread), and/or human actions (*e.g.*, detection, vaccination, and destruction). The "model" is the sum of these processes and actions.

3. Disease

When a Susceptible unit is infected, it becomes Latent. The infection progresses in the unit from Latent to Infectious Subclinical (shedding agent without visible signs of disease), to Infectious Clinical (shedding agent with visible signs of disease), to either Natural Immune or Dead from Disease. From the Natural Immune state, a unit will eventually return to Susceptible, unless destroyed. Probability functions characterize the length of the periods and this length is determined stochastically for each new infection. If time-frames for simulations are long, a particular unit may progress through the infected states more than once, provided that it is not destroyed or does not die from disease.

Because the simulation operates at the level of the entire unit, and because the number of animals in each unit is assumed never to change, mortality is given as the probability that most or all animals in a unit will die of disease.

Susceptible Natural Effective exposure progression Natural Vaccination progression Vaccine Pre-emptive immune re-emptive slaughter Naturally slaughter Pre-emptive Latent immune slaughter Dead from Pre-emptive disease slaughter Pre-emptive slaughter Natural Destroyed Detection & progression Natural progression destruction Natural progression Clinically Subclinically Pre-emptive slaughter infectious infectious

Disease states and possible transitions are shown in Figure 3-1.

Figure 3-1. States and transitions. The vaccine immune and destroyed states are discussed in section 7 (Disease control).

Natural progression

A unit can spend zero time in a state. For example, the parameter for time spent as Infectious Subclinical can be zero. In that case, units will change directly from Latent to Infectious Clinical. A unit undergoes its first transition state change on the day immediately following its infection.

Charts (relational functions) may be used to represent the prevalence of infected (latent, infectious subclinical, and infectious clinical) animals and the prevalence of shedding (infectious subclinical and infectious clinical) animals. These prevalences are given as the proportion of the unit that are infected or shedding on a given day. The charts are stretched to cover the total number of days spent in these states, and the prevalence value for a particular day is obtained by interpolating at the middle of that day (Figure 3-2). The use of prevalence charts is optional. When they are used, they influence the way in which disease spread is spread by direct contact (see section 4.1), local area spread (section 4.3), and airborne spread (section 4.4).

Attempting to infect a unit that is not Susceptible has no effect.

If two units are at the same location, infecting one does not automatically infect the other.

Disease parameters

Parameters specified for each production type:

- latent period (days) ¹
- infectious subclinical period (days)
- infectious clinical period (days)
- natural immune period (days)
- prevalence (0-1) of infected (latent, subclinical, and clinical) individuals vs. time (optional) 2
- prevalence (0-1) of shedding (subclinical and clinical) individuals vs. time (optional)
- mortality: the probability (from 0 to 1) that a unit will die rather than recover

The parameters are given separately for each production type. That is, the duration of the disease stages can be different for cattle, pigs, *etc*.

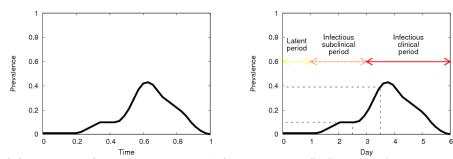


Figure 3-2. Example of a prevalence chart (left) stretched to fit 6 days in diseased states (right).

The values for day 3 and day 4 are interpolated as shown.

¹ indicates a parameter that is given as a probability density function.

² indicates a parameter that is given as a relational chart.

4. Disease spread

4.1. Direct contact spread

The simulation of direct contact – movement of animals among units – works as follows:

On each day,

- 1. Look up a multiplier to adjust the rate of movement of animals based on the number of days since the first detection of the disease. Use this multiplier to scale the movement rate; call the result *k*. This approximates applying movement-controls over the course of an infection spreading through the population of units.
- 2. For each unit A,
 - (a) Check whether *A* can be the source of an infection. That is, is it Latent, Infectious Subclinical, or Infectious Clinical, and not quarantined?¹
 - (b) If A cannot be a source, go on to the next unit.
 - (c) If using fixed movement, the number of shipments $N = [(day+1) \times k] [day \times k]$. Otherwise, sample N from a Poisson distribution whose mean is k. (k is calculated in step 1 above.)
 - (d) Create *N* shipments from *A*.
- 3. For each shipment,
 - (a) Make a list of units that can be the recipient of a contact, that is, those that are not Destroyed, detected as Dead from Disease, or quarantined or are the source
 - (b) If the list is empty, drop this shipment. No exposure is recorded; go on to the next shipment.
 - (c) Sample a number, *distance*, from the movement distance distribution.
 - (d) From the list, choose the unit *B* whose distance from the source is closest to *distance*. If several possible recipients are the same distance from the source,
 - i. Eliminate the ones where contact is forbidden by zone movement rules. If that eliminates all of them, drop this shipment.
 - ii. Choose one randomly, giving preference to larger units (a unit with twice as many animals is twice as likely to be chosen).
 - (e) If movement from *A* to *B* is forbidden by zone movement rules (see below), drop this shipment.
 - (f) If *B* is not Susceptible, the shipment has no effect on the disease state but is recorded as an exposure; go on to the next shipment.
 - (g) If a within-unit prevalence chart has not been specified for the source unit production type, set *P* = probability of infection given exposure. Otherwise, calculate *P* as shown below:
 - i. Determine the prevalence of infected (latent, subclinical, and clinical) individuals in the source unit on the indicated day from the appropriate relational function. Calculate the number of infected

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¹ See section 7.1. Quarantine for a description of quarantine.

- individuals (*nInfected*) by multiplying this prevalence and the total number of animals in the unit.
- ii. Calculate the number of animals in the shipment (*nShipped*) by multiplying the proportion of the unit included in the shipment (drawn from a probability density function) and the total number of animals in the unit. (Note that the number of animals in a shipment is used *only* for this probability calculation: the sizes of source and recipient units are *not* altered by the model.)
- iii. Determine *P* as the probability that the shipment includes at least 1 infected animal based on a Hypergeometric process:

$$P = 1 - \left(\frac{\binom{D}{x}\binom{M-D}{n-x}}{\binom{M}{n}}\right)$$

Where

x = 0

M = number of live animals in the source unit

D = number of infected animals in the source unit

n = number of animals in the shipment

- (h) Generate a random number r in [0,1), *i.e.*, from 0 up to but not including 1.
- (i) If r < P, turn B Latent.

These steps are also illustrated as a flowchart in Figure 4-1, and examples are shown below.

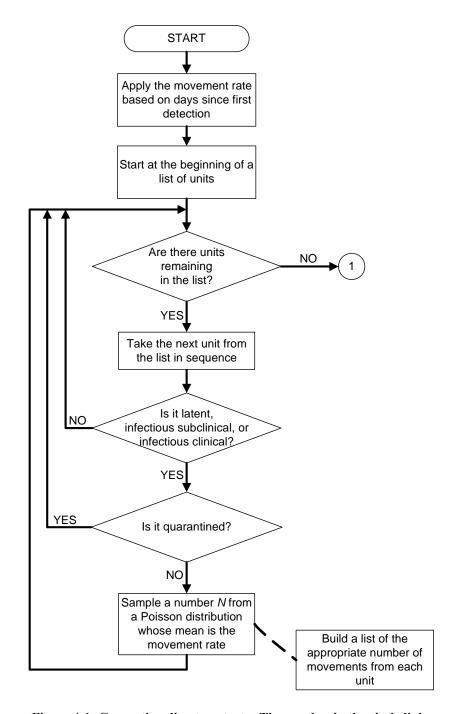


Figure 4-1: Generating direct contacts. The number in the circle links to the continued flowchart on the next page.

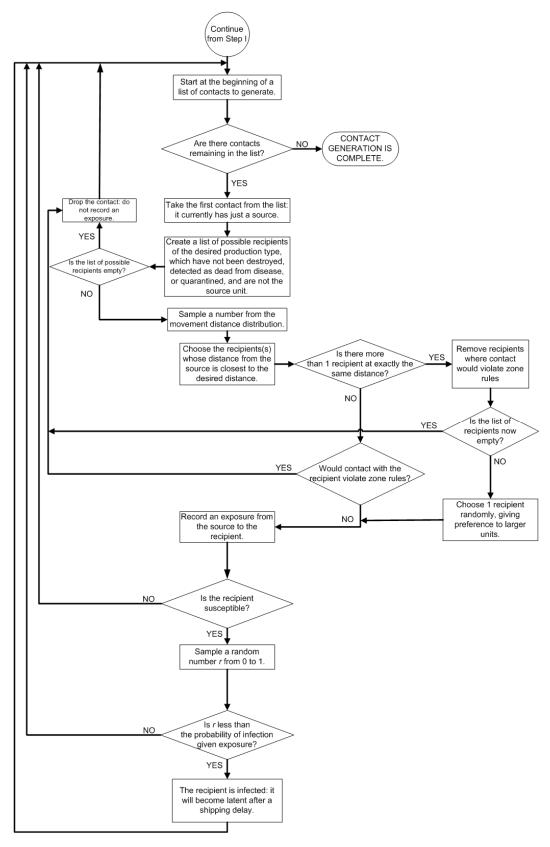


Figure 4-1 (cont'd): Generating direct contacts. The number in the circle continues the flowchart on the previous page.

In its regular operation, the model chooses the number of shipments each day stochastically. For example, if the mean movement rate parameter is 1, a unit may send out no shipments on some days, and 2 shipments on others, but the mean number of shipments over the long run will be 1 per day. The "fixed movement" option, by contrast, provides a predictable, deterministic number of shipments each day. For example, if the movement rate is 1, fixed movement will produce exactly 1 shipment each day. If the movement rate is 0.5, there will be a shipment every second day. Both the regular and "fixed movement" options will produce the same mean shipment rate over the long run.

Direct contact between units is forbidden if either the source unit or receiving unit is quarantined (see section 7.1. Quarantine). Direct and indirect contact between units can also be forbidden if the source unit and receiving unit are in physically separated foci of the same zone, or if the source unit is in a zone of a higher surveillance level than the receiving unit (figures 4-2 to 4-4; see also section 7.4. Zones).



Figure 4-2. Movement inside a zone may be allowed, but movement between physically separated foci of the same zone is not.

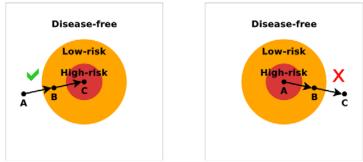
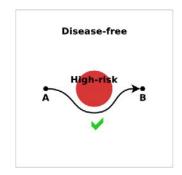


Figure 4-3. Movement from a zone to an adjacent zone of a higher surveillance level is allowed, but not vice-versa.



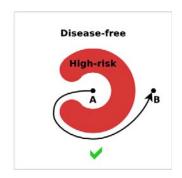


Figure 4-4. Movement that would cross a zone of a higher surveillance level "as the crow flies" but where a "detour" exists, is allowed.

The progress of the disease in the receiving unit starts at Latent, with the duration of each stage of the disease chosen stochastically, regardless of whether the shipping unit was Latent, Infectious Subclinical, or Infectious Clinical. A unit that receives Infectious Clinical animals could technically be regarded as immediately Infectious Clinical (able to infect other units by airborne spread and indirect contact, and detectable by a farmer or attending veterinarian) but starting the receiving herd at Latent reflects the fact that *most* of the animals in the receiving unit have to progress through the earlier disease-stages. The disease-state is an attribute of the unit as a whole rather than a direct reflection of the state of a particular animal in the unit.

Direct contacts (even those that do not result in a new infection) are recorded and can be discovered later during trace-investigations.

The size of a shipment is not considered, and the number of animals in each unit does not change during the simulation.

The distance between two units is approximated by a straight-line distance on a map. Cartographic projection is used to convert the latitude/longitude coordinates of each unit to a projected (x, y) coordinate. The Albers Equal Area Conic map projection is used, with the two standard parallels placed at one-sixth and five-sixths of the range of latitudes in the study area, and using the WGS84 model of the Earth.¹

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¹ WGS84 is a set of measures of the Earth, such as its radius at the equator. It is used in many modern mapping applications, including GPS systems.

Parameters for direct contact spread

Parameters for each combination of source production type and recipient production type:

- Mean rate of movement (recipient-units for shipments per source-unit per day)
- use fixed movement (yes/<u>no</u>)
- movement distance (km)
- probability of infection given exposure (required if within-unit prevalence is not used)
- proportion of the unit included in a shipment (required if within-unit prevalence is used)
- movement rate multiplier vs. days since the first detection (for units not inside a zone focus)

Parameters for each combination of source production type and zone:

• movement rate multiplier vs. days since the first detection (for units inside a zone focus)

When more than one production-type is considered, the above parameters are specified for each pairing of one production-type with another. Consider the production-types "Beef" and "Dairy", referring to herds of beef cattle and dairy cattle. You specify the most important pairings of these production-types with regard to direct-contact parameters. For example: "Beef" to "Beef", "Beef" to "Dairy", "Dairy" to "Beef", and "Dairy" are the possible pairings of these production-types. Separate parameters are specified for each of these pairs since the direct-contact among different production-type may vary.

Note that parameters are separate for movement in each direction between each pair of production-types. That is, the parameters for movement from "Beef" to "Dairy" can be different from the parameters for movement from "Dairy" to "Beef", and the parameters for movement from "Beef" to say "Pigs" can be different again.

If parameters are given for movements from "Beef" to "Beef" and from "Beef" to "Dairy", the number of shipments a "Beef" cattle herd A sends to "Beef" cattle herds on a particular day and the number of shipments A sends to "Dairy" cattle herds on the same day are independent.

Shipping animals from a Latent, Infectious Subclinical, or Infectious Clinical unit to a Natural Immune or Vaccine Immune unit has no effect on the disease-stage of the recipient unit. Shipping animals from a unit in a more advanced disease stage to a unit in a less advanced disease stage (e.g., from an Infectious Clinical unit to a Latent unit) also has no effect.

Examples of direct contact spread

Example 1

As an example, suppose that shipments are being generated from "Beef" to "Dairy" units. In step 3 above, shipments are being generated from a particular source unit of production type "Beef". Other units in the population are:

- Unit 1. Swine unit, Susceptible, not quarantined, 25 km away
- Unit 2. Dairy unit, Susceptible, not quarantined, 40 km away
- Unit 3. Dairy unit, Susceptible, not quarantined, 300 km away

In step 3a, the possible recipients are units 2 and 3. (Unit 1 is excluded because shipments from Beef units to Swine units are separate from and independent of shipments from Beef units to Dairy units. See notes on multiple production types below.) Suppose that in step 3c, the value "30 km" is sampled from the movement distance distribution. Unit 2 will be chosen because 40 km is closer than 300 km to the desired movement distance of 30 km

Example 2

Suppose that the other units were instead:

- Unit 1. Swine unit, Susceptible, not quarantined, 25 km away
- Unit 2. Dairy unit, Infectious Clinical, not quarantined, 40 km away
- Unit 3. Dairy unit, Susceptible, not quarantined, 300 km away

In this case, unit 2 will still be chosen. The fact that unit 2 is already diseased does not affect the decision.

Example 3

An example with a Destroyed unit:

- Unit 1. Swine unit, Susceptible, not quarantined, 25 km away
- Unit 2. Dairy unit, Destroyed, 40 km away
- Unit 3. Dairy unit, Susceptible, not quarantined, 300 km away

In this case, the only possible recipient is unit 3, so it will be chosen. It does not matter that 300 km is much farther than the desired movement distance of 30 km, only that *of all possible recipients* (in this case there is only one), 300 km is the best match.

Example 4

An example where there are *no* possible recipients:

- Unit 1. Swine unit, Susceptible, not quarantined, 25 km away
- Unit 2. Dairy unit, Destroyed, 40 km away
- Unit 3. Dairy unit, Susceptible, quarantined, 300 km away

In this case, the shipment will be "dropped" because there is no possible recipient unit in the population.

The following examples illustrate how zone rules can affect contacts. Suppose the source "Beef" unit is inside a zone focus. Other units in the population are:

- Unit 1. Dairy, Susceptible, quarantined, inside the same zone focus, 30 km away
- Unit 2. Dairy, Susceptible, not quarantined, inside the same zone focus, 31 km away
- Unit 3. Dairy, Susceptible, not quarantined, outside the zone focus, 25 km away

Example 5

Suppose we decide, again, to generate a 30 km shipment. Although unit 1 is exactly 30 km away, it will not be considered because it is quarantined (it is excluded in step 3a). Unit 2 will be chosen because 31 km is closest to 30 km. Unit 2 is inside the same zone focus as the source, so the shipment is not blocked by zone rules.

Example 6

Suppose instead that the distances of units 2 and 3 were exchanged:

- Unit 1. Dairy, Susceptible, quarantined, inside the same zone focus, 30 km away
- Unit 2. Dairy, Susceptible, not quarantined, inside the same zone focus, 25 km away
- Unit 3. Dairy, Susceptible, not guarantined, outside the zone focus, 31 km away

Again, unit 1 is excluded because it is quarantined. Unit 3 would be chosen because 31 km is closest to 30 km. However, unit 3 is outside the zone focus that the source is in, so the shipment is blocked by zone rules and dropped.

Example 7

A final example:

- Unit 1. Dairy, Susceptible, quarantined, inside the same zone focus, 30 km away
- Unit 2. Dairy, Susceptible, not quarantined, inside the same zone focus, 30 km away
- Unit 3. Dairy, Susceptible, not quarantined, outside the zone focus, 30 km away

Again, unit 1 is excluded because it is quarantined. Units 2 and 3 both match the chosen shipment distance of 30 km. According to step 3d, we can eliminate the contact that would be blocked by zone rules (unit 3), and so we choose unit 2.

4.2. Indirect contact spread

Indirect contact – movement of people, materials, vehicles, equipment, animal products, etc among units – is simulated in the same manner as direct contact, except that only Infectious Subclinical and Infectious Clinical units, not Latent units, can be the source of infection. The parameters for indirect contact are similar to but independent from those for direct contact. Indirect contact is not affected by within-unit prevalence.

Indirect contacts can be discovered later during trace-investigations.

Parameters for indirect contact spread

Parameters for each combination of source production type and recipient production type:

- Mean rate of movement (recipient-units for shipments per source-unit per day)
- use fixed movement (yes/no)
- movement distance (km)
- probability of infection given exposure
- movement rate multiplier vs. days since the first detection (for units not inside a zone focus)

Parameters for each combination of source production type and zone:

• movement rate multiplier vs. days since the first detection (for units inside a zone focus)

4.3. Local-area spread

The simulation of local-area spread works as follows:

On each day,

- 1. For each unit A,
 - (a) Check whether *A* can be the source of an infection. That is, is it Infectious Subclinical or Infectious Clinical?
 - (b) If A cannot be a source, go on to the next unit.
 - (c) For each other unit B,
 - i. Check whether *B* can be the recipient of an infection. That is, is it Suspectible?
 - ii. If B cannot be a target, go on to the next unit.

- iii. Compute the probability of infection $P = 1 \exp(-k((n_A \times p_A) \times n_B)/d_{AB})$
- iv. Generate a random number r in [0,1).
- v. If r < P, turn B Latent.

Where

- *k* is a constant calculated as shown below
- n_A is the herd size of infectious farm A
- p_A is the prevalence of shedding (subclinical and clinical) animals on farm A on the indicated day from the appropriate relational function
- n_B is the herd size of susceptible farm B
- d_{AB} is the distance between farms A and B

(If a within-unit infectious prevalence chart has not been specified for the source unit production type, the prevalence term is dropped from the calculation.)

The distance between lat_1 , lon_1 and lat_2 , lon_2 is approximated as before.

For each combination of source and recipient production types, the constant k is calculated from the following input parameters:

 d_{ij} , the distance between two arbitrary herds i and j

 n_i , the number of infectious animals in source herd i

 n_j , the size of a susceptible recipient herd j

 P_{fixed} , the probability that, on any given day, unit i will infect unit j by local-area spread

k is then calculated as:

$$k = -1 \times [\ln(1-P_{fixed}) \times d_{ij}]/(n_i \times n_j)$$

Local area spread can occur from and to quarantined units.²

Local area exposures cannot be traced.

Parameters for local-area spread

Parameters for each pair of production types:

- d_{ij} , the distance between two arbitrary herds i and j
- n_i , the number of infectious animals in source herd i
- n_i , the size of a susceptible recipient herd j
- P_{fixed} , the probability that, on any given day, unit i will infect unit j by local-area spread

¹ Mathematically, the formula for local-area spread allows the possibility of infection over an infinite distance. For computational purposes, the maximum distance over which local-area spread can occur is estimated by the distance at which the largest herd in the study area would have a 1 in 1 million chance of becoming infected by the local-area spread mechanism.

²See section 7.1. Quarantine for a description of quarantine.

The parameters are given separately for spread between each combination of potential source and recipient production types. That is, the parameters for spread from pig herds to cattle herds can be different from the parameters for spread from cattle herds to pig herds, to account for potential differences in amount of virus produced and/or different minimum-infective-doses for animals in different production-types.

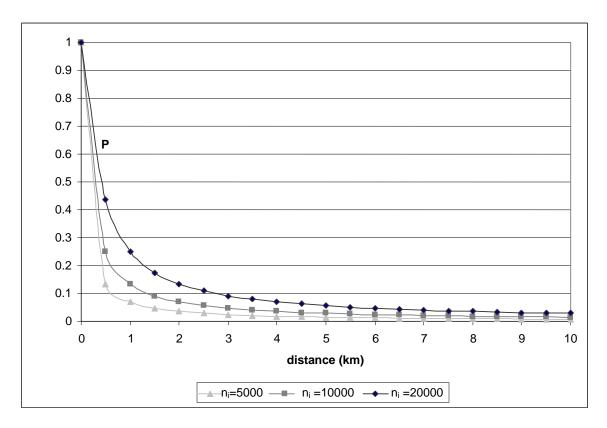


Figure 4-5. Probabilities of local-area spread from a premises with 20,000 infectious animals to premises of various sizes. Parameters used to generate these curves were P=0.25; ni=5,000,10,000, or 20,000 animals as shown; nj=20,000 animals; dij=1 kilometer. From these parameters, k is calculated as 7.19205E-10.

4.4. Airborne spread

Spread of disease by airborne dissemination is simulated in the same manner as local area spread, except that disease spread by airborne dissemination may be restricted based on direction from source to recipient units (see Figure 4.6). The parameters and formula used for airborne spread are the same as those for local area spread, but are values for the parameters used in airborne spread independent of those used for local area spread.

The distance between premises is approximated as before. The direction from source premises to recipient premises is approximated with the inverse tangent using the same *x* and *y* coordinates for each premises as used in the distance calculation.

Parameters for airborne spread

Global parameters (applied to all combinations of production types):

• wind direction, given as a range (*start* and *end*) in degrees

Parameters specified separately for each combination of source production type and recipient production type:

- d_{ii} , the distance between two arbitrary herds i and j
- n_i , the number of infectious animals in source herd i
- n_i , the size of a susceptible recipient herd j
- P_{fixed} , the probability that, on any given day, unit i will infect unit j by local-area spread
- airborne transport delay (days)

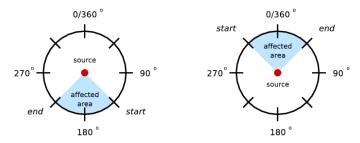


Figure 4-6. Example parameters for north winds (left) and south winds (right).

5. Detection

The simulation of detection works as follows:

On each day,

- 1. Look up the probability that a farmer or attending veterinarian, for example, will report signs of disease to authorities based on the number of days since the first detection in the population. A nonzero static probability represents the baseline before the first detection.
- 2. For each unit that is Infectious Clinical or Dead from Disease but not yet detected,
 - (a) Look up the probability of detecting signs of disease based on the number of days the unit has been Infectious Clinical or Dead from Disease.
 - (b) If the unit is not inside a zone focus,
 - i. Compute the probability of detection and reporting as P =(probability of detecting signs of disease or mortality)
 - × (probability of reporting)

Go to step d.

- (c) If the unit is inside a zone focus,
 - i. Compute the probability of detection and reporting as

P =(probability of detecting signs of disease or mortality)

× (zone multiplier)

Note that the probability of reporting is assumed to be 1 inside a zone focus, so that value drops out of the calculation.

- (d) Generate a random number r in [0,1).
- (e) If r < P, the disease is detected and reported.

There are no false-positive detections for detection based on clinical signs.

A report is immediately known to the authorities.

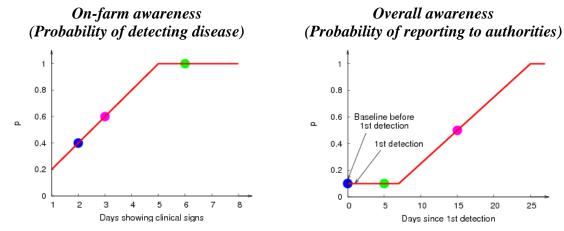


Figure 5-1. Probability of detection and reporting is found by two charts. In this example,

- before 1st detection, 2^{nd} day of clinical signs, $P = 0.4 \times 0.1 = 0.04$
- 5 days since 1st detection, 6th day of clinical signs, P = 1 × 0.1 = 0.1
 15 days since 1st detection, 3rd day of clinical signs, P = 0.6 × 0.5 = 0.3

Detection parameters

Parameters for each production type:

- probability of reporting vs. days since the first detection
- probability of detection vs. days the unit has been Infectious Clinical
- probability of detection vs. days the unit has been Dead from Disease

Parameters for each combination of production type and zone:

multiplier for probability of detection

The parameters are given separately for each production type, to account for the possibility that signs of disease may be more obvious in animals of certain productiontypes, e.g., signs may be reported more rapidly in intensive swine production systems versus cow-calf operations on pastures. The multiplier for detection of units inside a zone focus allows for the simulation of greater vigilance in higher-level zones (see section 7.4. Zones).

6. Surveillance

Surveillance in the model refers to the process of identifying units at high risk for disease based upon exposure or (potentially) proximity to infected, detected units. Units identified by surveillance will be quarantined and thus can no longer spread disease by direct contact (see section 7.1. Quarantine).

Surveillance does not affect disease detection: that is, units subject to surveillance which become infected are no more likely to be detected than other units of the same production type.

6.1. Trace surveillance

Units that have had contact with diseased units within a given number of days prior to detection of the diseased unit may be identified by trace investigations.

Trace investigations may be immediate or there may be a delay for results. Tracing goes one step, that is, it identifies units that were recipients of direct or indirect contact from infected, detected units (referred to as "trace out" or "trace forward") or units that were sources of direct or indirect contact to infected, detected units ("trace in" or "trace back").

When a unit is identified by a trace investigation, it will be quarantined. Units showing mortality or clinical signs of disease can be detected with a specified probability (see below). Optionally, the unit may also be:

- preemptively destroyed (see Section 7.2)
- tested for disease
- tested for disease and preemptively destroyed

When a unit that is Infectious Clinical or Dead from Disease is identified by a trace investigation, it can be detected by the following method:

- 1. Compute the probability of detection and reporting as P = (probability of detecting signs of disease or mortality) × (multiplier)
- 2. Note that the probability of reporting is assumed to be 1 when a unit is identified by tracing, so that value drops out of the calculation.
- 3. Generate a random number r in [0,1).
- 4. If r < P, the disease is detected and reported.

If a unit is not detected based on clinical signs or mortality, it may still be detected by a diagnostic test. When a unit is tested for disease, the sensitivity and specificity of the test and a random number r in [0,1) are used to determine the test result as follows:

Unit is Latent, Infectious Subclinical, Infectious Clinical, or Naturally Immune, or Dead from Disease:

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r < sensitivity \rightarrow test-positive (true positive)
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 $r \ge \text{sensitivity} \rightarrow \text{test-negative}$ (false negative)

Unit is Susceptible or Vaccine Immune

 $r < specificity \rightarrow test-negative$ (true negative)

 $r \ge$ specificity \rightarrow test-positive (false positive)

Unit is Destroyed

No testing can occur: the effect is functionally equivalent to a test-negative result.

If the test result is positive, the unit is considered to have been "detected" as diseased (see Section 5). Detection by clinical signs, mortality, or diagnostic testing may trigger subsequent control actions, including further traces.

Optionally, units to be preemptively destroyed may be subject to detection based on clinical signs and diagnostic testing. Detection of disease (either based on clinical signs or diagnostic testing) in units to be preemptively destroyed may trigger further control actions as described above.

There are two delays that can potentially affect detection by tracing. The first is a delay in carrying out the tracing activity. This delay can impact the ability to detect a unit based on the appearance of clinical signs. The second is a delay in obtaining results of a diagnostic test. Detection of units on the basis of diagnostic test is subject to both the delay in carrying out a trace, as well as the delay in obtaining test results. When test results are delayed, the results depend on the state of the simulation on the day the test was initiated, not the day the results become available. The following examples illustrate the effects of these delays:

- A unit is Infectious Clinical on the day that a trace to that unit is initiated. The unit is still Infectious Clinical on the day that the trace investigation takes place. This unit may be identified at that time on the basis of clinical signs. If it is not detected on the basis of clinical signs, it still may be detected by a diagnostic test (after a delay), even if the unit has recovered by the time the test results become available
- A unit is Infectious Clinical on the day that a trace to that unit is initiated. The unit has progressed to Natural Immune by the time that the trace investigation takes place. This unit cannot be detected on the basis of clinical signs, but it may be detected (after a delay) by a diagnostic test.
- A unit is Subclinical on the day that a trace to that unit is initiated. The unit has progressed to Clinical by the time that the trace investigation takes place. This unit may be detected on the basis of clinical signs at that time, or (after a delay) by a diagnostic test.

- A unit is Subclinical on the day that a trace to that unit is initiated. The unit is still Subclinical on the day that a trace investigation is carried out. This unit cannot be detected on the basis of clinical signs, but may be identified (after a delay) by a diagnostic test.
- A unit is Susceptible on the day that a trace investigation is carried out, but is infected and becomes Latent by the time diagnostic test results are available. This unit will not be detected as a result of the trace.
- A unit is Subclinical on the day that a trace investigation is carried out, but is destroyed for a reason other than preemptive destruction due to this trace, before diagnostic test results become available. This unit may be detected by a diagnostic test, and further control measures could be initiated.
- A unit identified by a trace investigation is Destroyed (for a reason other than preemptive destruction due to tracing) before the trace investigation could be carried out. Regardless of the unit's disease state prior to its destruction, it is not available at the time of tracing for either clinical or laboratory testing. Consequently, no further control measures can be initiated.

Note that the probability of a trace investigation succeeding depends on the production type of the unit where the trace originates. Suppose a unit of production type A ships to a unit of production type B. If the A unit is then detected, the probability that trace out will find the B unit depends on the probability set for production type A. If the B unit is detected instead, the probability that trace in will find the A unit depends on the probability set for production type B, which may be different.

Trace surveillance parameters

Parameters specified separately for every production type:

Conducting tracing:

- conduct trace-out of direct contacts (yes/no)
- conduct trace-in for direct contacts (yes/no)
- probability of a trace-out investigation succeeding when direct contact has occurred
- period of interest for trace-out investigations of direct contacts
- conduct trace-out of indirect contacts (yes/no)
- conduct trace-in for indirect contacts (yes/no)
- probability of a trace-out investigation succeeding when indirect contact has occurred
- period of interest for trace-out investigations of indirect contacts
- delay for carrying out trace investigation result (days)

Detection of traced units by clinical signs:

- examine units identified by trace-out of direct contacts (yes/no)
- multiplier for the probability of detection for units identified by trace-out of direct contacts
- examine units identified by trace-in of direct contacts (yes/no)
- multiplier for the probability of detection for units identified by trace-in of direct contacts
- examine units identified by trace-out of indirect contacts (yes/no)
- multiplier for the probability of detection for units identified by trace-out of indirect contacts
- examine units identified by trace-in of indirect contacts (yes/no)
- multiplier for the probability of detection for units identified by trace-in of indirect contacts

Diagnostic testing of traced units:

- test for disease in units identified by trace-out of direct contacts (yes/no)
- test for disease in units identified by trace-in of direct contacts (yes/no)
- test for disease in units identified by trace-out of indirect contacts (yes/no)
- test for disease in units identified by trace-in of indirect contacts (yes/no)
- test sensitivity (0-1)
- test specificity (0-1)
- delay for test result (days)

Preemptive destruction:

- destroy units identified by trace-out of direct contact (yes/no)
- destroy units identified by trace-in of direct contact (yes/no)
- destroy units identified by trace-out of indirect contact (yes/no)
- destroy units identified by trace-in of indirect contact (yes/no)

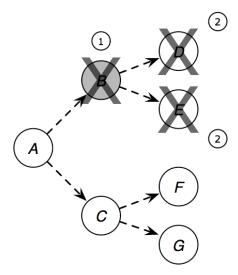


Figure 6-1. Trace out (trace forward) with preemptive destruction. When unit B is detected (1), units to which B has shipped animals or sent people or equipment are destroyed (2). Such units may be assessed clinically and may have samples collected for laboratory testing immediately prior to preemptive destruction.

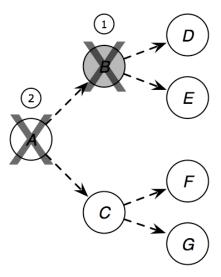


Figure 6-2. Trace in (trace back) with preemptive destruction. When unit B is detected (1), units which have shipped animals or sent people or equipment to B are found by trace in (2).

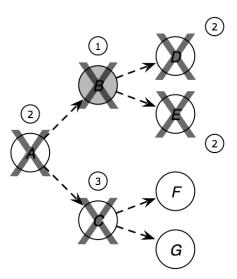


Figure 6-3. Trace out and in with testing and preemptive destruction. When unit B is detected (1), unit A is found by trace in and units D and E are found by trace out (2). Assuming that unit A tests positive, further traces are triggered and unit C is found by trace out (3). In this example we assume that C does not test positive, so the trace does not continue to units F and G.

7. Control measures

7.1. Quarantine

A diseased unit is quarantined on the day immediately following its detection. Units are also quarantined when they are placed on the prioritized waiting list for destruction (see section 7.2.2. Destruction priorities). Quarantined units cannot be involved in direct contact, but indirect contact and airborne spread may still occur to or from a quarantined unit.

7.2. Destruction

When the first detection occurs in the study population, the authorities may initiate a destruction program. It may take several days before the authorities are ready to begin destroying.

Detected units may be marked for destruction. Units that have had contact with diseased units within a given number of days prior to detection of the diseased unit (found through trace-investigations: see section 6.1. Trace surveillance) and units within a given distance of diseased units may also be marked for destruction. The destruction of these units associated by trace or distance has been called pre-emptive or dangerous-contact slaughter.

A production-type-specific parameter determines whether detection of an infected unit of a particular production type will trigger the formation of a destruction ring or not: for example, detection of an infected swine unit might lead to the destruction of surrounding units of various production types, while detection of an infected sheep unit might not trigger destruction of surrounding units.

A production-type-specific parameter also governs whether units of a particular production type are included in a destruction ring. For example, dairy cattle units might be destroyed in response to the detection of a diseased unit nearby, while sheep units might not be destroyed.

Destruction parameters

Global parameters (applied to all production types):

- delay to begin a destruction program (days)
- destruction capacity vs. days since the first detection (units per day) (see section 7.2.1. Destruction capacity)
- destruction priorities (see section 7.2.2. Destruction priorities)

Parameters specified separately for every production type:

- indication of whether detection of units of the production type will trigger a destruction ring (yes/no)
- radius of destruction ring (km), if units of the production type will trigger a destruction ring
- indication of whether units of the production type will be destroyed in response to detection of nearby units (yes/no)
- indication of whether units of this production type identified by trace surveillance after direct contact will be destroyed (yes/no)
- indication of whether units of this production type identified by trace surveillance after indirect contact will be destroyed (yes/no)

7.2.1. Destruction capacity

There is a limit (called destruction capacity) on how many units can be destroyed per day. Destruction capacity does not consider unit size (*i.e.* the number of animals in each unit). Destruction capacity is specified as a relational chart of the number of units which can be destroyed per day versus the number of days since the first detection of disease. A single destruction capacity applies to units of all production types: for example, if the destruction capacity on a given day is 10 units, then 10 beef units may be destroyed on that day, or 10 swine units, or six units of one and four of the other, depending on the assigned destruction priorities (see section 7.2.2. Destruction priorities).

7.2.2. Destruction priorities

If a unit is marked for destruction but cannot be destroyed immediately, it is quarantined and goes onto a prioritized waiting list. If a unit is detected as Dead from Disease on while on the waiting list for destruction, it is removed from the list.

There are three criteria which may be used to set destruction priorities: the production type of the unit, the reason for destruction of the unit, and the number of days a unit has been waiting in the destruction queue. Within the production type criterion, the production types present in a scenario are further prioritized (*e.g.* cattle may have a higher destruction priority than swine, or *vice versa*). Similarly, within the action reason criterion, the reasons for destruction are further prioritized: these reasons are detection of disease, identification by trace-out of direct contact, identification by trace-in of direct contact, identification by trace-in of indirect contact, and presence within a specified destruction ring. For example, cattle herds that are marked for destruction because they were detected as diseased may have a higher priority than cattle herds that are marked for destruction because they are near a diseased unit.

The order in which the three criteria are applied must be specified in each scenario. For example, the number of days a unit has been in the destruction queue may be the overriding priority, so that units of any production type, holding for any reason, that have been holding for the longest period of time are destroyed before any others. Criteria with the highest priority are applied first. In the event that two units are encountered that have the same priority based on the top criterion, subsequent criteria are applied (see examples below).

No two production-type/reason for destruction combinations can have the same priority. That is, cattle herds that were detected as diseased *must* have a strictly higher priority than pig herds that were detected as diseased (or *vice versa*), and cattle herds that were detected as diseased *must* have a strictly higher priority than cattle herds that were simply near to a detected unit (or *vice versa*).

No distinction in destruction priority is made based on source of exposure: cattle herds that have been exposed by a swine herd, for example, are treated no differently than cattle herds exposed to infection by other cattle herds.

On each day, the authorities destroy as many units as possible (up to the destruction capacity for that day) from the destruction queue, beginning with the highest priority.

Examples of destruction priorities

Consider the following examples, using these four units which have been designated for destruction:

- Unit A. Cattle herd, detected infection, holding for 3 days
- Unit B. Cattle herd, identified by trace-out of indirect contact, holding for 5 days
- Unit C. Swine herd, identified by trace-in of direct contact, holding for 1 day
- Unit D. Swine herd, within circle/ring, holding for 5 days

Example 1:

With the following destruction priorities:

Days holding > production type (swine > cattle) > destruction reason (detected > trace-out of direct contacts > trace-out of indirect contacts > circle/ring > trace-in of direct contacts > trace-in of indirect contacts)

The four herds are destroyed in the following order: D, B, A, C

Example 2:

Priorities: production type (cattle > swine) > destruction reason (detected > traceout of direct contacts > trace-out of indirect contacts > circle/ring > trace-in of direct contacts > trace-in of indirect contacts) > days holding:

Destruction order: A, B, D, C

Example 3:

Priorities: production type (cattle > swine) > days holding > destruction reason (detected > trace-out of direct contacts > trace-out of indirect contacts > circle/ring > trace-in of direct contacts > trace-in of indirect contacts):

Destruction order: B, A, D, C

Example 4:

Priorities: destruction reason (detected > circle/ring > trace-out of direct contacts > trace-out of indirect contacts > trace-in of direct contacts > trace-in of indirect contacts) > production type (cattle > swine) > days holding:

Destruction order: A, D, B, C

7.3. Vaccination

When the disease is detected, authorities may also initiate a vaccination campaign. This consists of vaccinating units within a specified distance of the detected units – in circles or rings around detected units. A production-type-specific parameter determines whether detection of an infected unit of a particular production type will trigger the formation of a vaccination ring or not: for example, detection of an infected swine unit might lead to the vaccination of surrounding units of various production types, while detection of an infected sheep unit might not trigger vaccination of surrounding units.

A production-type-specific parameter also governs whether units of a particular production type are included in a vaccination program. For example, dairy cattle units might be vaccinated in response to the detection of a diseased unit nearby, while sheep units might not be vaccinated.

A detected infected unit may or may not be vaccinated, depending on its production type and whether it falls inside a vaccination ring. In order for a detected infected unit to be vaccinated, both of the following conditions must be met:

- Its production type must be vaccinated in response to detection of nearby units
- Its production type must be set to allow vaccination of detected units

The initiation of a vaccination program may be delayed until a certain trigger point is reached in terms of numbers of detected units (see section 7.3.1. Initiation of a vaccination program)

If a unit is marked for vaccination but cannot be vaccinated immediately, it goes onto a prioritized waiting list (see sections 7.3.2. Vaccination capacity and 7.3.3. Vaccination priorities).

For a unit to receive multiple vaccinations, vaccination of that individual unit must be triggered multiple times (see section 7.3.4. Minimum time between vaccinations). It is not currently possible to schedule revaccination of units without an additional trigger.

Vaccination program parameters

Global parameters (applied to all production types):

- number of detected units before vaccination begins (see section 7.3.1. Initiation of a vaccination program)
- vaccination capacity vs. days since the first detection (units per day) (see section 7.3.2. Vaccination capacity)
- vaccination priorities (see section 7.3.3. Vaccination priorities)

Parameters set individually for each production type:

- indication of whether detection of units of the production type will trigger a vaccination ring (yes/no)
- radius of vaccination ring (km), if units of the production type will trigger a vaccination ring
- indication of whether units of the production type will be vaccinated in response to detection of nearby units (yes/no)
- indication of whether detected infected units of the production type will be vaccinated (yes/no)
- minimum time between vaccinations (days), if units of the production type will be vaccinated (see section 7.3.4. Minimum time between vaccinations)

7.3.1. Initiation of a vaccination program

A vaccination program is initiated when the user-specified number of infected units has been detected. Until or unless this number is reached, units are not marked for vaccination. Once this critical number has been reached, units within the specified vaccination ring surrounding the most recently detected unit are marked for vaccination. Vaccination rings also will be created around any unit that is detected on the same simulation day that the critical number is reached. Similarly, vaccination rings will be created around infected units detected on subsequent simulation days. Units marked for vaccination are then treated according to the steps described below.

7.3.2. Vaccination capacity

Vaccination capacity (the number of units which can be vaccinated per day) is handled in the same way as destruction capacity (see section 7.2.1. Destruction capacity), and is specified as a relational chart of the number of units which can be vaccinated per day versus the number of days since the first detection of disease. Vaccination capacity does not consider unit size (*i.e.* the number of animals in each unit). A single vaccination capacity applies to units of all production types.

Personnel for destruction cannot be temporarily loaned to vaccination teams, or *vice versa*, during a simulation run. In other words, the daily limits for destruction and vaccination operate independently of one another.

7.3.3. Vaccination priorities

If a unit is marked for vaccination but cannot be vaccinated immediately, it goes onto a prioritized waiting list, or queue. If a unit is detected as Dead from Disease while on the waiting list for vaccination, it is removed from the list.

When vaccination is carried out for a unit, it is removed from the queue. Although multiple events may trigger several vaccinations of the same unit at different times, a unit can be present on the waiting list only once. If an event occurs that would normally cause a unit to be placed in the vaccination queue while that unit is already in the queue, the event has no effect.

Vaccination priorities are set in fashion similar to destruction priorities (see section 7.2.2. Destruction priorities). There are two criteria which may be used to set vaccination priorities for units which fall within a vaccination circle. These criteria are the production type of the unit and the number of days that a unit has been in the vaccination queue. Within the production type criterion, the production types present in a scenario are further prioritized.

The order in which these two criteria are applied must be specified in each scenario. For example, the number of days a unit has been in the vaccination queue may be the overriding priority, so that units of any production type that have been holding for the longest period of time are vaccinated before any others. The criterion with the highest priority is applied first. In the event that two units are encountered that have the same priority based on the top criterion, the next criterion is applied.

7.3.4. Minimum time between vaccinations

The minimum time between vaccinations is the number of days which must pass between the time that a unit is vaccinated and the time that it can be placed in the queue for another vaccination. Once the specified number of days has passed, a unit may be placed again in the vaccination queue if vaccination of that unit is triggered again.

Consider the simple situation involving units *A*, *B*, and *C* as shown Figure 7-1. Disease is detected in unit *A* ten days before disease is detected in unit *C*. Both detections trigger vaccination circles that include unit *B* as shown.

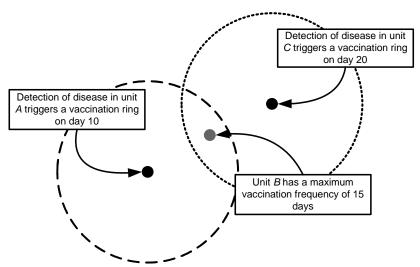


Figure 7-1. Overlapping vaccination rings. See text for description of timing of vaccinations.

If there is no waiting period for vaccination (*i.e.* vaccination capacity is not reached), unit *B* will receive only one vaccination: its minimum time between vaccinations will not have been reached before it is placed in the vaccination queue as a result of detection of unit *C*.

If vaccination capacity has been reached and unit *B* is still in the vaccination queue when unit *C* is detected, unit *B* will be vaccinated only once. Unit *B* cannot be placed in the vaccination queue a second time if it is still in the queue as a result of an earlier event.

Unit *B* can be vaccinated twice only if the vaccination as a result of the circle triggered by unit *A* occurs at least 15 days before the detection of unit *C* triggers another vaccination circle.

7.4. Zones

Zones are areas of differing surveillance and control policies. This section describes how zones are established; see also sections 4. Disease Spread and 5. Detection for a discussion of how zones affect movement and detection, respectively.

There can be an arbitrary number of zones, each with a unique name. The basic form of a zone is a circle around a unit. Higher levels of surveillance correspond to smaller circles. Areas outside the circle also constitute a zone, with the lowest surveillance level (figure 7-2).

A "focus" of a zone can be established around any unit that is detected as diseased. A focus can also be established around any "dangerous contact" unit that has been discovered through tracing (see section 6.1. Trace surveillance). The number and size of zone rings established is always the same and does not depend on the production type of the unit that caused the zone focus (figure 7-3).

Overlapping foci of the same zone merge (figure 7-4). Zones with lower surveillance levels are absorbed when enclosed by a zone of a higher surveillance level (the "no donuts" rule, figure 7-5).

Zone parameters

Parameters set individually for each zone:

- name
- radius (km)

Parameters set individually for each production type:

- indication of whether detection of diseased units of the production type will create a zone focus (yes/no)
- indication of whether traced "dangerous contacts" of this production type will create a zone focus (yes/no)



Figure 7-2. A focus with 2 zones established around it.

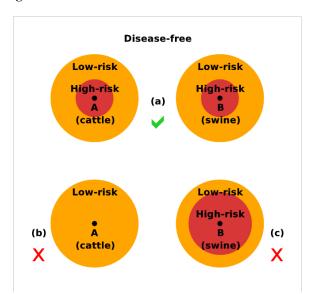


Figure 7-3. Zones are triggered uniformly, regardless of the production types which triggered the zone focus (a). It is not possible to trigger only selected zones (b) or zones of different sizes (c) around different production types.

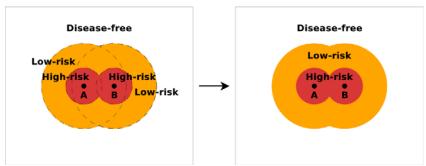


Figure 7-4. Overlapping foci of the same zone merge.

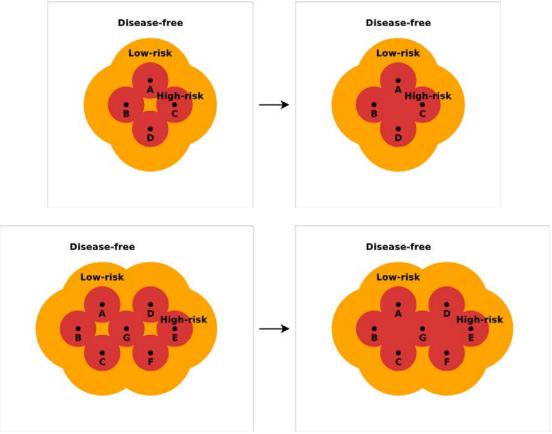


Figure 7-5. Enclosed areas of a lower surveillance level are absorbed. Note that adding a new focus (G) can create more than one enclosed area that must be absorbed.

8. Biological effects of vaccination

When a unit is vaccinated, it remains Susceptible for a time while immunity develops, then becomes Vaccine Immune. The length of the immune period is determined stochastically for each new vaccination. After the immune period, the unit reverts to a Susceptible state.

If a unit is infected after being vaccinated but before turning Vaccine Immune, the effects of the vaccination are cancelled.

Vaccinating a unit that is not Susceptible has no effect on its disease state.

Parameters for effects of vaccination

Parameters specified for each production type:

- delay to produce immunity (days)
- immunity period (days)

The parameters are given separately for each production type.

9. Priorities of action

The many events and processes in the model create possibilities for conflict and ambiguity. This section describes how these problems are resolved.

A unit can be infected by two or more mechanisms on the same day, for example, by both direct and indirect contact. In this situation, two exposures will be reported in the simulation output, but only one new infection. One of the exposures will be chosen randomly to report as the cause of the infection. Similarly, if there are two or more reasons for vaccinating or destroying a unit, one reason is chosen randomly to report as the cause.

A unit can also be infected by the same mechanism multiple times on the same day, for example, by direct contacts from two different sources. In this case, the model will count two exposures by direct contact, but only one new infection.

A simulation proceeds by daily time steps (Section 2) so the state of each unit must be consistent throughout a day. A unit cannot change state part way through a day, nor can it become quarantined or change from being in one zone to another part way through a day. Changes to the units' states and to the zones' shapes can be considered to happen in an instant *between* simulation days.

One consequence of this is that if a unit is detected as diseased on day d, it will not become quarantined until day d+1. Similarly, if there is a rule to establish zones around detected units, the zones will not be updated until day d+1. The detected unit and its neighbors can still be the source and recipient of contacts on day d. This can be thought of as contacts happening "before" detection (really, it is simply a consequence of the rule against state changes mid-day). The model user should be aware that this behavior can result in larger outbreaks than if the opposite assumption were applied, that is, if detection happened "before" contacts.

Tracing (Section 6) also happens "after" contacts, so that it will not miss contacts that occur on the same day as the trace.

There can be a conflict between infection and vaccination. If the delay to immunity (see Section 8) is set to zero days, and a unit is both infected and vaccinated on day d, does the unit change to Latent or to Vaccine Immune on day d+1? In this situation, there is a 50-50 chance of either outcome happening. A vaccination is recorded in the simulation output either way. A new infection is recorded only if the infection happens.

There can be a conflict between vaccination and destruction. Because of the resource limits and priority system (Section 7.2) it may be impossible to tell exactly when a unit will be destroyed. Therefore the model will accept requests to vaccinate a unit (as part of ring vaccination) *even if* that unit is slated to be eventually destroyed. However, if the unit gets to the head of both the vaccination and destruction queues on the same day, the vaccination will be canceled and will not count toward use of vaccination resources.

10. Costs

Direct costs associated with destruction and vaccination during an outbreak may be calculated. If zones are used, direct costs associated with surveillance within zones may also be determined.

10.1. Costs associated with destruction

There is a fixed cost associated with appraisal of each destroyed unit, regardless of the number of animals in the unit. The cost associated with cleaning and disinfection each unit is also fixed regardless of the number of animals in each unit.

Beyond these fixed per-unit costs, the per-animal costs for euthanasia, carcass disposal, and indemnification apply.

The total cost of destruction *for each unit* of a particular production type is calculated as follows:

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(Appraisal cost + Cleaning and disinfection cost)
+ [(Number of animals in the unit) × (Cost of euthanasia + Cost of indemnification + Cost of disposal)]
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The total cost of destruction *for each production type* is calculated as: (Number of units destroyed) × (Appraisal cost + Cleaning and disinfection cost)

+ [(Total number of animals destroyed) × (Cost of euthanasia + Cost of indemnification + Cost of disposal)]

The same costs may also apply to units that die from disease. Each cost except for euthanasia may apply to death from disease *always*, *never*, or *only when death occurs* after the unit has already been marked for destruction.

Parameters for destruction costs

Parameters specified for each production type:

- Appraisal cost per unit
- Appraisal cost applies to units that die from disease (yes / no / only when death occurs after unit has been marked for destruction)
- Cost of cleaning and disinfection per unit
- Cost of cleaning and disinfection applies to units that die from disease (yes / no / only when death occurs after unit has been marked for destruction)
- Cost of euthanasia per animal
- Cost of indemnification per animal
- Cost of indemnification applies to units that die from disease (yes / no / only when death occurs after unit has been marked for destruction)
- Cost of carcass disposal per animal
- Cost of carcass disposal applies to units that die from disease (yes / no / only when death occurs after unit has been marked for destruction)

10.2. Costs associated with vaccination

There is a fixed cost associated with vaccination set up for each vaccinated unit, regardless of the number of animals in the unit. The cost of vaccination of each animal in the unit is added to this fixed unit cost.

The cost of vaccination of each animal will depend on the total number of animals vaccinated. For each animal up to a specified threshold, only a baseline vaccination cost applies. For each animal over this threshold, an additional cost applies.

The total cost of vaccination for each production type is calculated as follows:

If the threshold is not reached:

[(Number of units vaccinated) × (Cost of site setup)]

+ [(Total number of animals vaccinated) × (Baseline cost per animal)]

If the threshold is reached:

[(Number of units vaccinated) × (Cost of site setup)]

- + [(Threshold level) × (Baseline cost per animal)]
- + [(Total number of animals vaccinated Threshold level) × (Baseline cost per animal
 - + Additional cost per animal)]

Parameters for vaccination costs

Parameters specified for each production type:

- Number of animals of this production type that can be vaccinated before the cost of vaccination increases
- Baseline cost of vaccination **per animal** (this cost applies until the specified threshold has been met)
- Additional cost of vaccination **per animal** for each animal beyond the specified threshold
- Cost of vaccination site setup per unit

10.3. Costs associated with zone surveillance

For each animal within a particular zone (see section 7.4. Zones), there is a daily cost associated with enhanced surveillance, diagnostic testing, and any other special activity that might occur within that zone.

The length of time that an individual unit – and animals within that unit – spends in a zone is the number of days from the time that the zone focus is established, until the time that at least one of the following three conditions is met: 1) the zone that the unit is in changes, *e.g.*, as a result of merging of zones or the creation of a new zone focus; 2) the unit is destroyed; or 3) the outbreak ends and all disease control measures are complete.

For each unit of a particular production type in a particular zone, the number of "animal days" spent in the zone is calculated as follows:

```
(Animal days for a unit in a zone) = [(Number of days that the unit is in the zone) × (Number of animals in that unit)]
```

For the production type, the number of animal days spent in the zone is the sum of the number of animal days for each unit of that type in the zone:

(Animal days for a production type for a zone) =
$$\sum_{i=1}^{n}$$
 (Animal days for unit_i in a zone)
Where *n* is the number of units of the production type in the zone

The total cost of zone surveillance for the production type in the zone is calculated as shown below:

```
(Cost of surveillance of a production type in a zone) =

[(Animal days for a production type for a zone)

× (Cost of surveillance in the zone, per animal of the production type, per day)]
```

From the costs of surveillance for each production type for each zone, other totals (*e.g.*, the cost of surveillance of a particular production type across all zones) can be calculated.

Parameters for surveillance costs

Parameters for each combination of production type and zone:

• Cost of surveillance **per animal** per day