

Ebola Outbreak North-Kivu 2018 Risk of Future Cases

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Approach

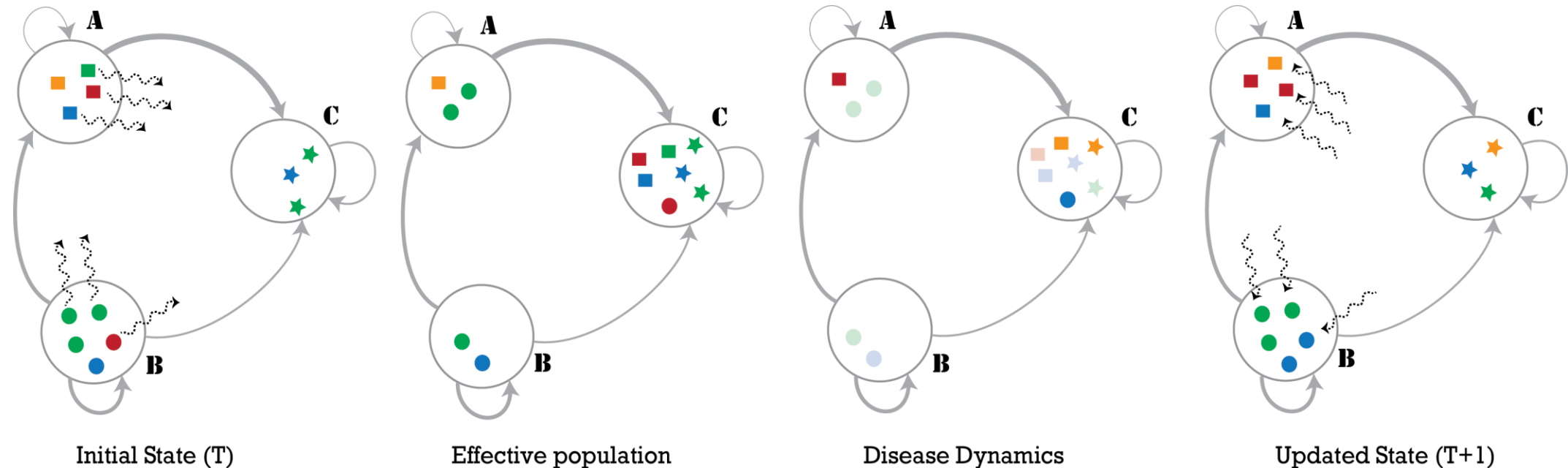
- Data and methods used:
 - Updated Population and Health Zone data
 - Metapopulation transmission model with human mobility for transmission projection
 - Case counts as reported by DRC Ministry of Health
 - International risks estimated for Port of Entry data (cleaned)
- Results:
 - Risk of future cases within the DRC
 - Yet to be done - Risk of arriving cases at international ports of entry

Datasets

- Updated Population for the DRC gathered from Humanitarian Data Exchange: <https://data.humdata.org/dataset/rdc-statistiques-des-populations>
- Update Health Zone maps via Humanitarian Data Exchange: <https://data.humdata.org/dataset/democratic-republic-of-congo-health-boundaries>
- River Network and Road Networks via Digital Chart of the World (DCW): diva-gis.org
 - Combined into a single coherent travel network with novel methodology (in preparation) for travel time calculations to feed mobility model
- DRC Ministry of Health as curated by Sophie Meakin: https://github.com/sophiemeakin/ebola_drc/

Model Description

- PatchSim: Metapopulation model with gravity mobility model



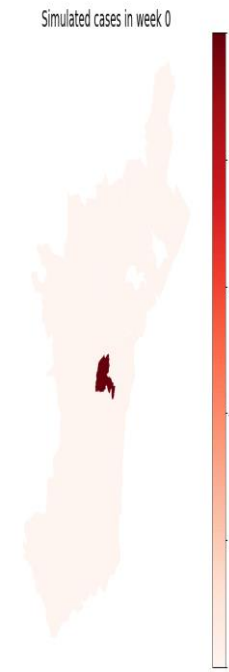
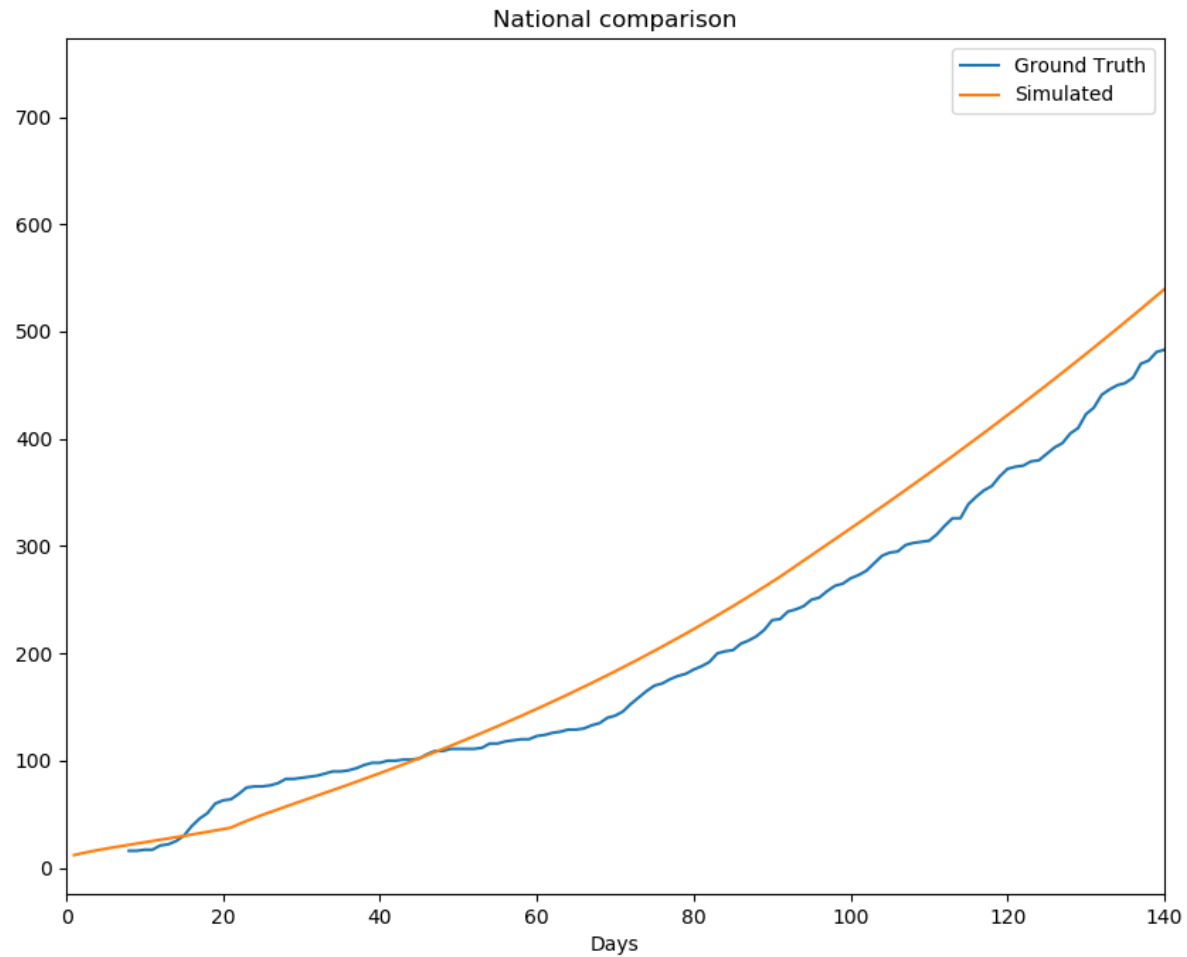
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The large circles represent the patches (A,B,C) in the simulation, and the grey edges represent the travel network, colors represent the disease state the individuals are in (susceptible, exposed, infected or recovered), The wavy dashed arrows show movement of individuals. Panel 1. Individuals move moved from home to another patch. Panel 2. This creates another effective population where the disease dynamics operate and individuals become ill (change from green to red) which stand out in the 3rd panel. Panel 4. Finally, the individuals return to their home patch

Calibration Approach

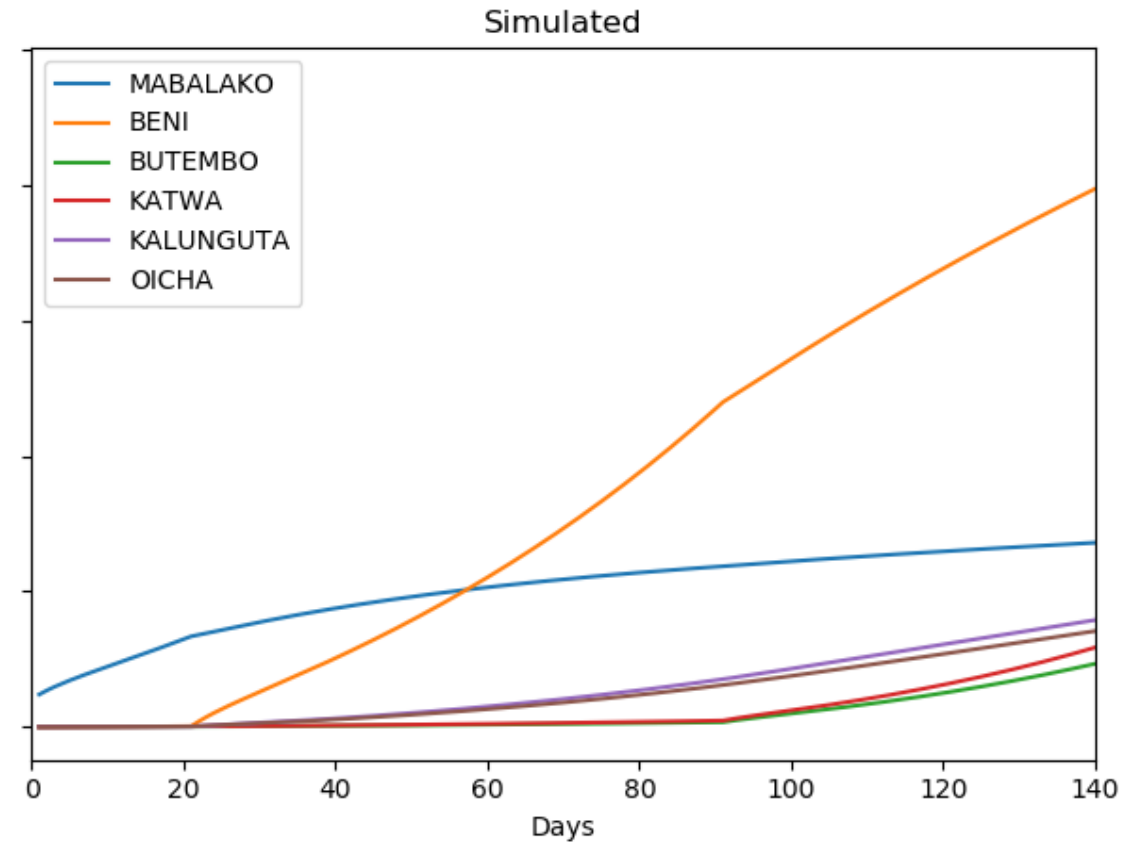
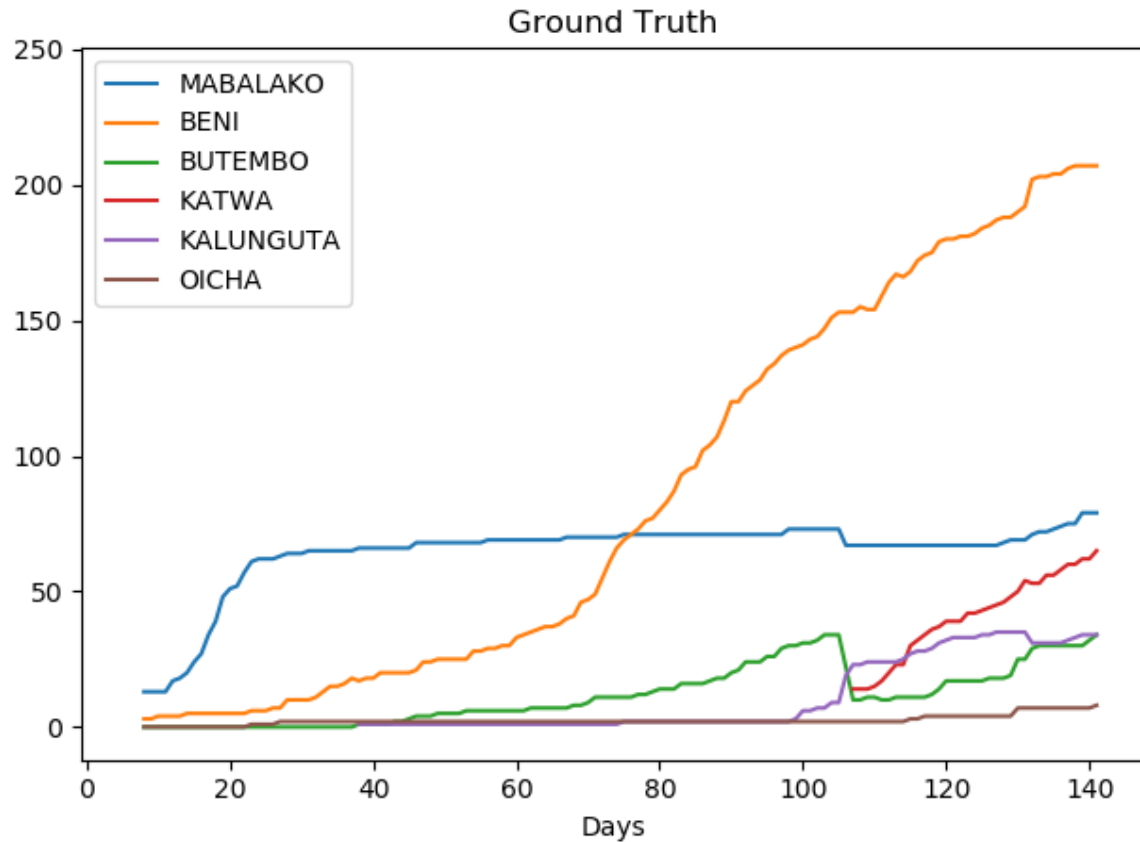
- DRC Health ministry case reports used as ground truth
- Vaccinations and surging case reports used to adjust healthzone specific forces of infection to closely match ground truth

Calibration – National Level



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Risk Calculations

- **Future Cases:** Proportion of future cases generated by running calibrated model beyond the last “observation” 30 days into the future
- Examine 2 scenarios for the future:
 - Scenario 1: Current controls remain in place in the healthzones they’ve been employed
 - Scenario 2: All control efforts are released on the date of last observation
- Yet to be done: International ports of entry: Risk of future cases arriving at ports of entry

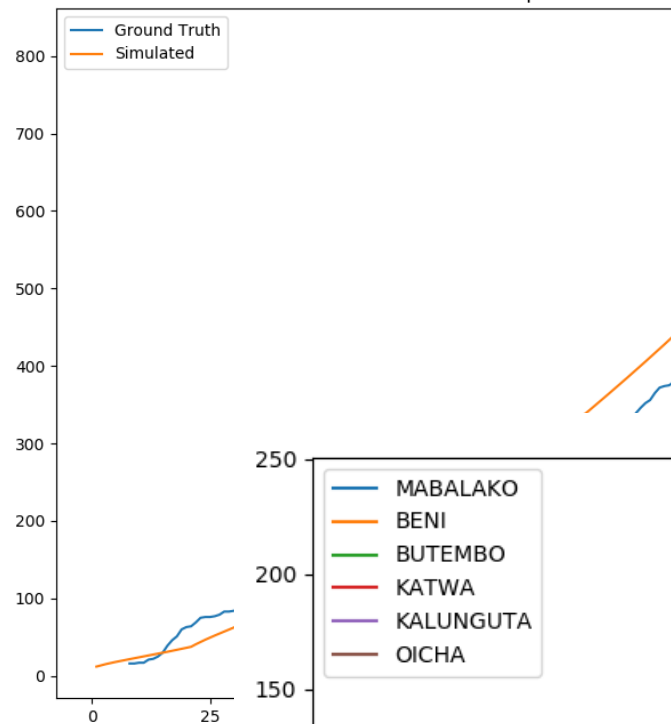
Results – Scenario 1 Healthzone risk (controls remain)

- Likely locations of future cases in the next 30 days
- Estimated future cases beyond current state
 - 35% more cases 30 days out
 - 74% more cases 60 days out
 - 116% more cases 90 days out

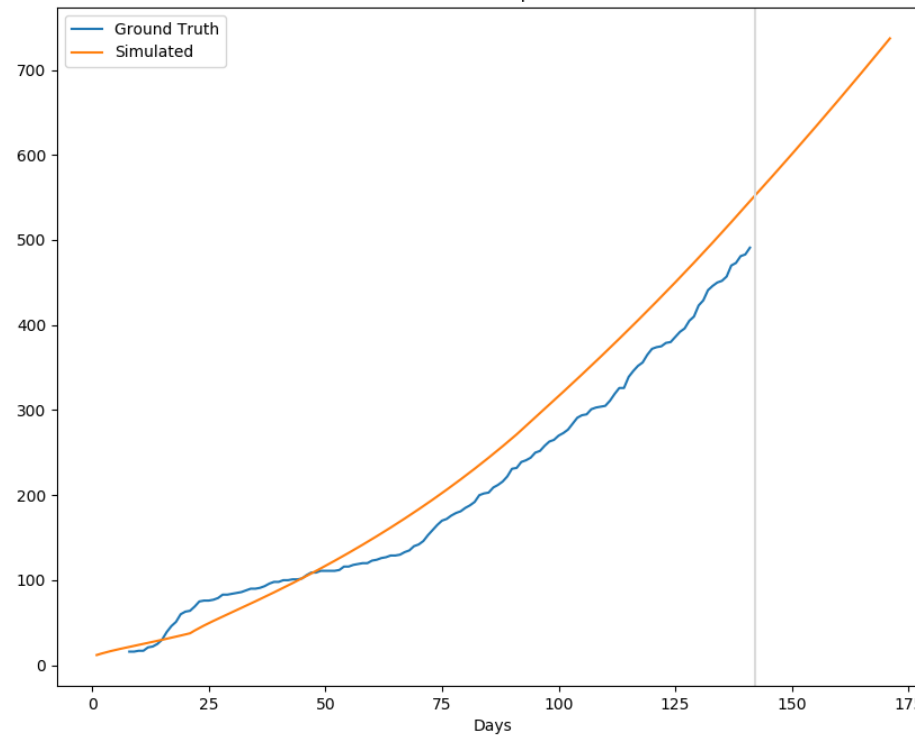
Health Zone	Risk Index
BENI	20.5%
KATWA	13.2%
BUTEMBO	10.3%
KALUNGUTA	6.7%
OICHA	6.7%
MUTWANGA	3.3%
MABALAKO	2.2%
MUSIENENE	2.1%
KYONDO	2.1%
LUBERO	2.0%

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National comparison

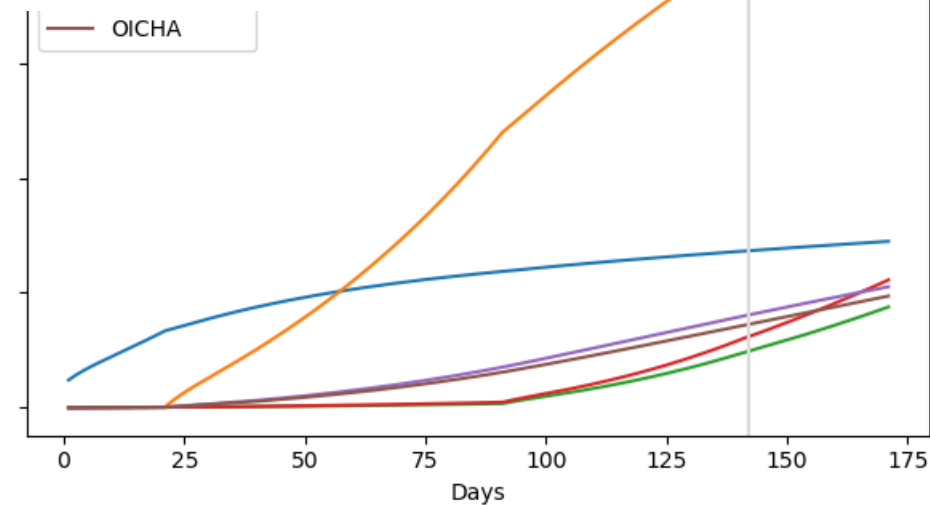
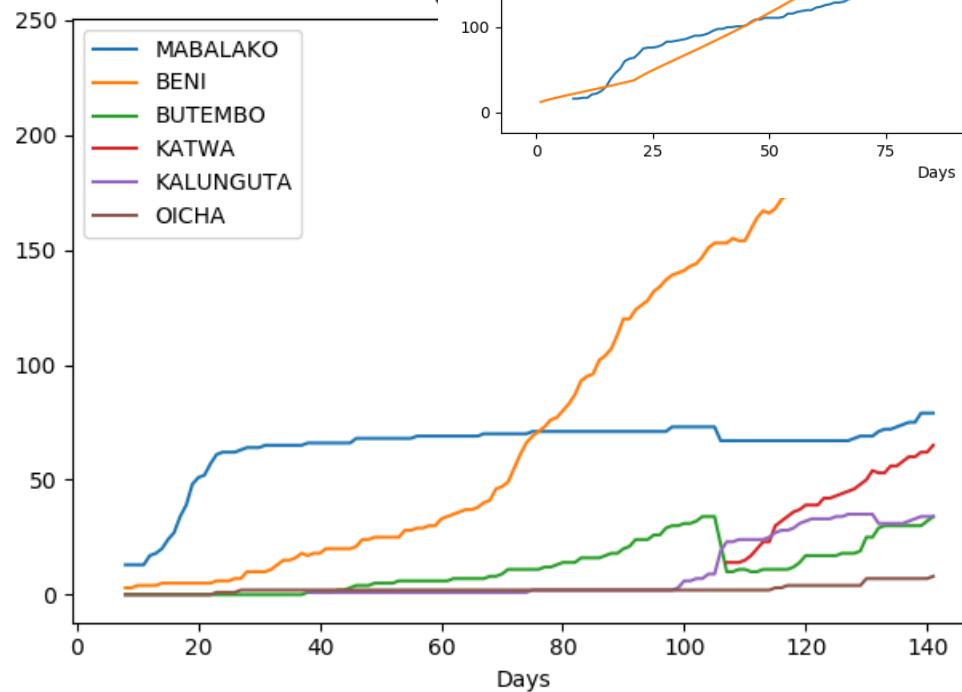


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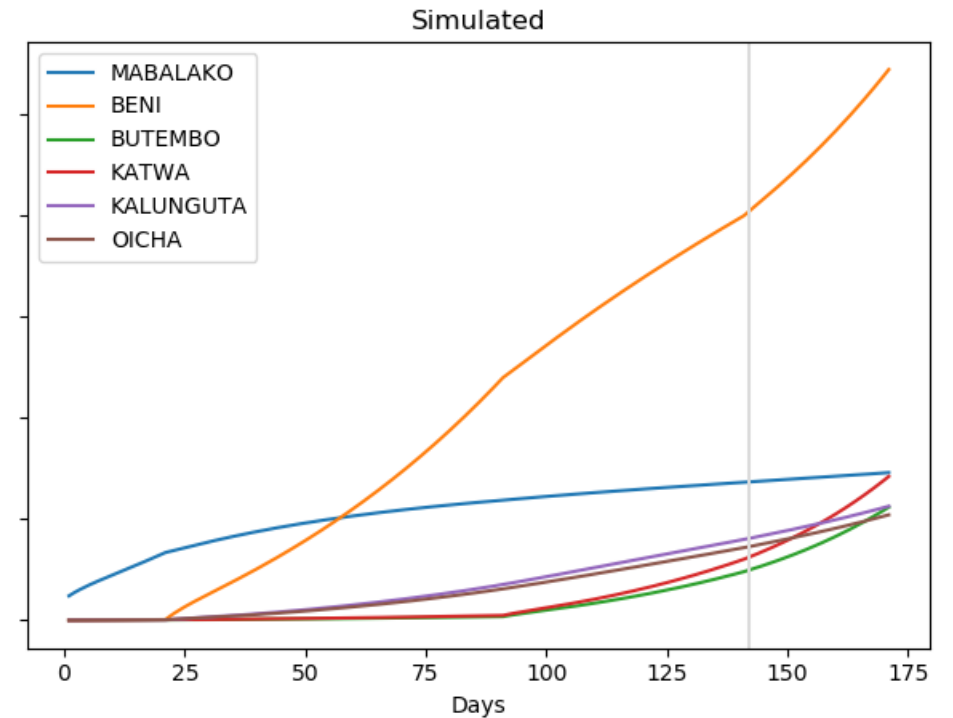
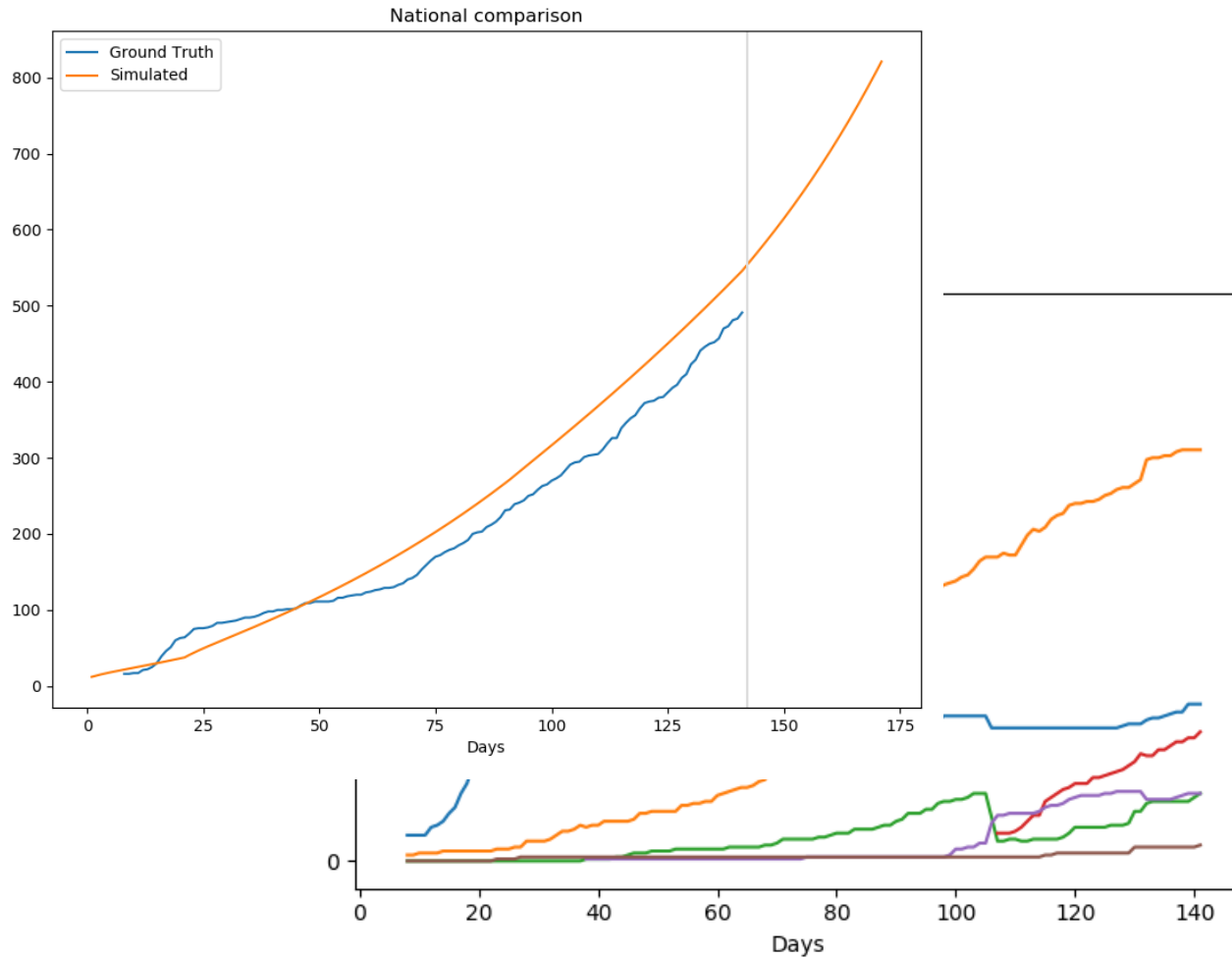


Results – Scenario 2 Healthzone risk (control efforts removed)

- Likely locations of future cases in the next 30 days
- Compared to controls remaining in place how many more cases to expect
 - 11.3% at 30 days out
 - 36.5% at 60 days out
 - 81% at 90 days out
- Should controls remain removed for 90 days there could be roughly 81% more cases than if controls remained in place (roughly 1000 cases)

Health Zone	Risk Index
BENI	26.2%
KATWA	14.6%
BUTEMBO	11.4%
KALUNGUTA	6.0%
OICHA	6.0%
MUTWANGA	2.9%
MUSIENENE	1.9%
KYONDO	1.8%
MABALAKO	1.8%
LUBERO	1.8%

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Yet to be completed
Port of Entry calculations

Port of Entry methods

- Ports of Entry identified and matched to existing data (WHO sitreps and POE from Humanitarian data exchange)
- Weights assigned by matched average daily traveler information
- Exposure to future cases calculated through mobility model based on road-river network travel times.



Major Border Crossing

- Visible Population Center
- Major Road
- Visible Border Control (!)

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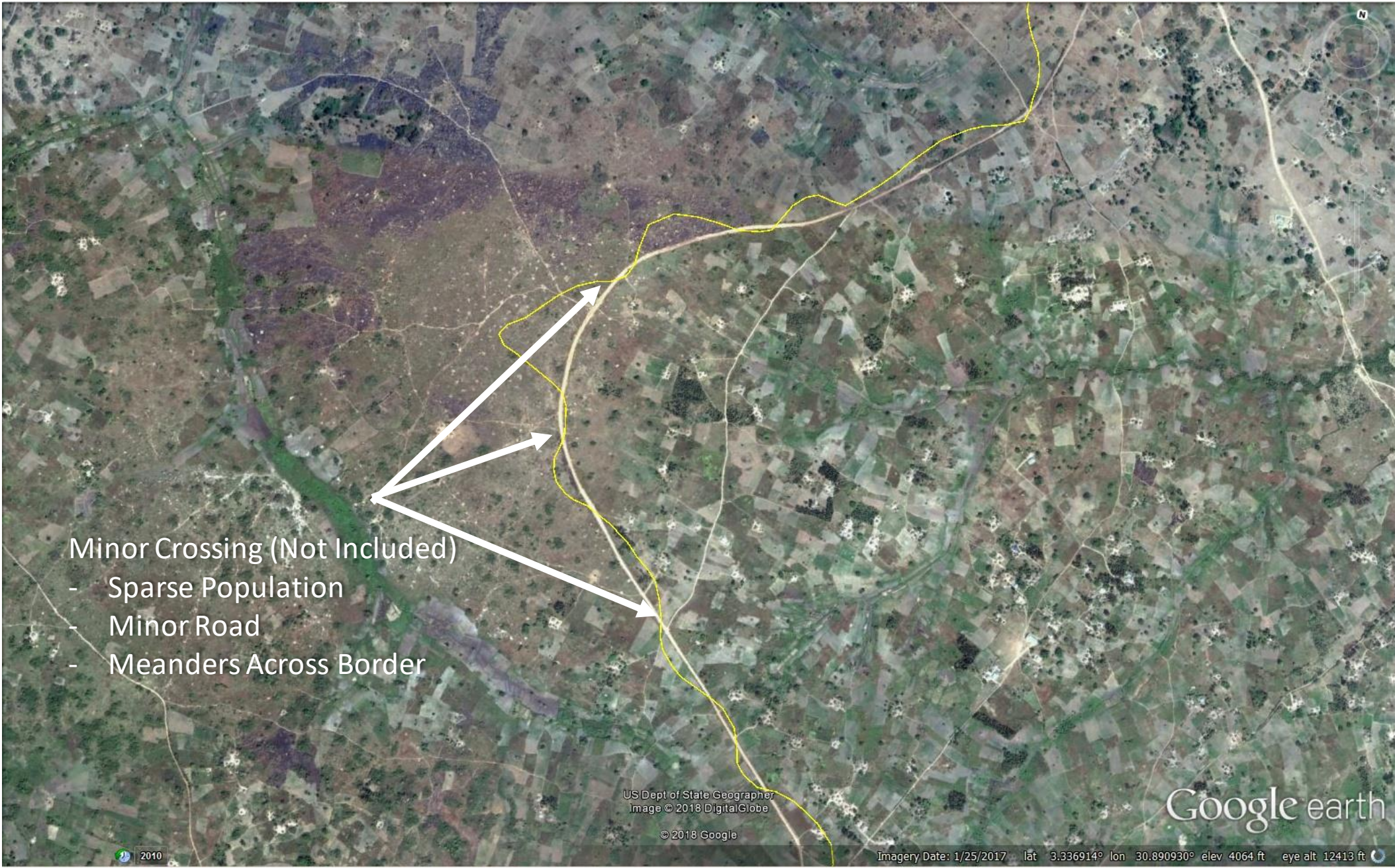
- Mid-sized Border Crossing
- Visible Population Center
 - Major Road
 - No Obvious Border Control

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A satellite map from Google Earth showing a rural landscape with a yellow border line. Three white arrows point from a central point on the left to three different locations along the border line. The landscape is a patchwork of green and brown fields, with some small buildings and roads visible. A compass rose is in the top right corner.

Minor Crossing (Not Included)

- Sparse Population
- Minor Road
- Meanders Across Border

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No Visible Crossing

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