

**1. define initial conditions:**

- initial number of susceptibles

$$S_0$$

- initial number of infectious

$$I_0$$

- initial number of recover

$$R_0$$

**2. define the *loss* function:**

$$J(\beta, \gamma) = \sum_{t_d} ||I(t_d) - y(t_d)||^2$$

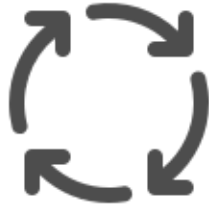
where

$$y(t_d)$$

is the actual measured data for some discrete time point  
and and

$$I(t_d)$$

is the function in SIR model that describes number of  
infected/infectious people in discrete time



**5. collect new data to make a better  
SIR fitted model**

**4. predict the disease progress by  
solving the SIR ODE system using  
optimal parameters that are the best  
fit for the measured data**

**3. minimize the *loss* function and obtain the values for  
SIR parameters that are the best fit for the measured  
data:**

$$\min_{\beta, \gamma} J(\beta, \gamma)$$

**\* for each discrete time point and using current parameters, the Runge-Kutta  
method of 4-th degree is employed in order to solve the SIR model defined with  
the following ODE system:**

$$\frac{dS(t_d)}{dt_d} = -\beta \cdot \frac{I(t_d) \cdot S(t_d)}{N}$$

$$\frac{dI(t_d)}{dt_d} = \beta \cdot \frac{I(t_d) \cdot S(t_d)}{N} - \gamma \cdot I(t_d)$$

$$\frac{dR(t_d)}{dt_d} = \gamma \cdot I(t_d)$$