

# Zika virus in Brazil: calibration of an epidemic model for 2016 outbreak

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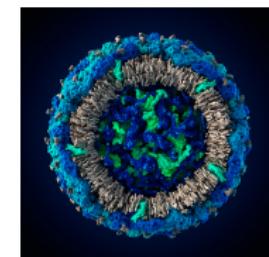
# Section 1

## Introduction



# Zika virus (ZIKV)

- Member of *Flaviviridae* virus family
- First isolated in 1947 at Uganda, Africa
- Mainly spread by *Aedes* mosquitoes
- W.H.O declared it a public health emergency of international concern
- More than 130,000 confirmed cases in Brazil since 2015
- International consensus that ZIKV is a cause of:
  - Guillain–Barré syndrome
  - Microcephaly



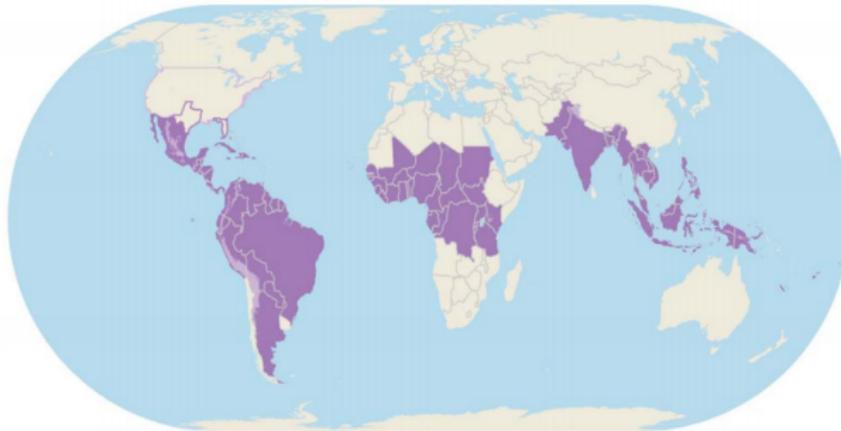
Zika virus



*Aedes aegypti*

# Global outbreak of Zika virus

World Map of Areas with Risk of Zika



International areas and US territories

- [Dark Purple] Areas with risk of Zika infection (below 6,500 feet)
- [Medium Purple] Areas with low likelihood of Zika infection (above 6,500 feet)
- [Light Beige] Areas with no known risk of Zika infection

United States areas

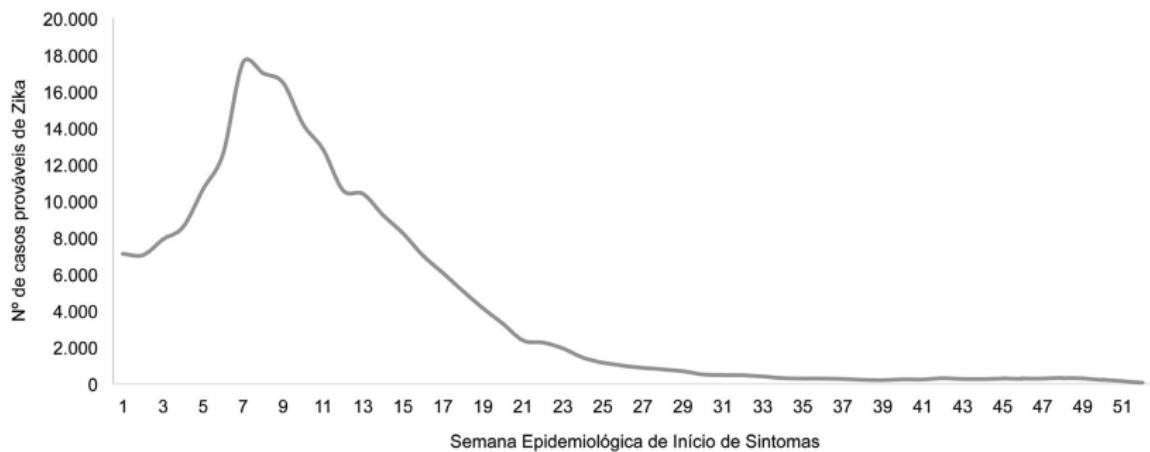
- [Light Purple] State Reporting Zika
- [Light Beige] No Known Zika



Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, *World Map of Areas with Risk of Zika, August 2017.*

# Zika virus outbreak in Brazil

New cases in Brazil by epidemiological week of 2016



Secretaria de Vigilância em Saúde. *Zika virus - Boletim Epidemiológico v. 48, n. 14, 2017.*

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# Dengue virus (DENV)

- Mainly spread by *Aedes* mosquitoes as well as Zika virus
- More than 219,000 probable cases reported in Brazil until Epidemiological Week 35 of 2017
- 310 confirmed deaths until EW 35 of 2017 or in investigation



Dengue virus



*Aedes aegypti*

# Research objectives

The objectives of this research are:

- Develop an epidemic model to describe the Zika virus outbreak of 2016 in Brazil
- Verify (qualitatively and quantitatively) the epidemic model capacity of prediction
- Calibrate this epidemic model with real data to obtain reliable predictions

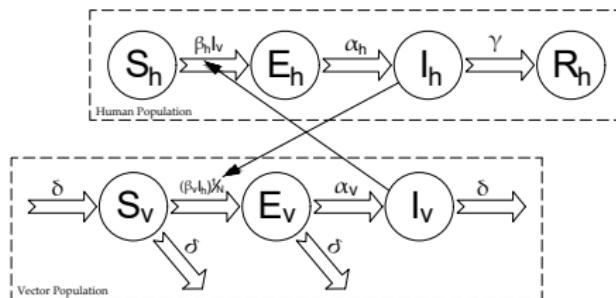


## Section 2

### SEIR-SEI Model



# Dynamic system associated to the SEIR-SEI model



$$\frac{dS_h}{dt} = -\beta_h S_h I_v$$

$$\frac{dS_v}{dt} = \delta - \beta_v S_v \frac{I_h}{N} - \delta S_v$$

*S* - Population of susceptible

$$\frac{dE_h}{dt} = \beta_h S_h I_v - \alpha_h E_h$$

$$\frac{dE_v}{dt} = \beta_v S_v \frac{I_h}{N} - (\delta + \alpha_v) E_v$$

*E* - Population of exposed

$$\frac{dI_h}{dt} = \alpha_h E_h - \gamma I_h$$

$$\frac{dI_v}{dt} = \alpha_v E_v - \delta I_v$$

*I* - Population of infectious

$$\frac{dR_h}{dt} = \gamma I_h$$

$$\frac{dC}{dt} = \alpha_h E_h$$

*R* - Population of recovered

*C* - Infectious humans cumulative

$\alpha$  - Incubation ratio

$\beta$  - Transmission rate

$\gamma$  - Recovery rate

$\delta$  - Vector lifespan ratio

*N* - Population of humans

*h* - Human-related

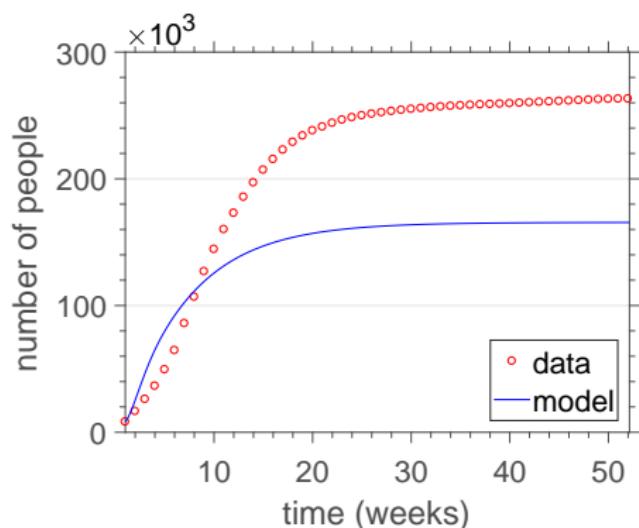
*v* - Vector-related

+ Initial Conditions

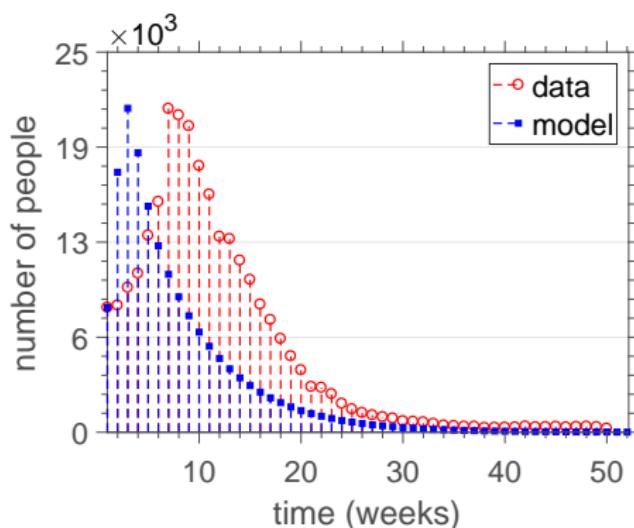
8 equations and 7 parameters



# Cumulative infectious and new infectious

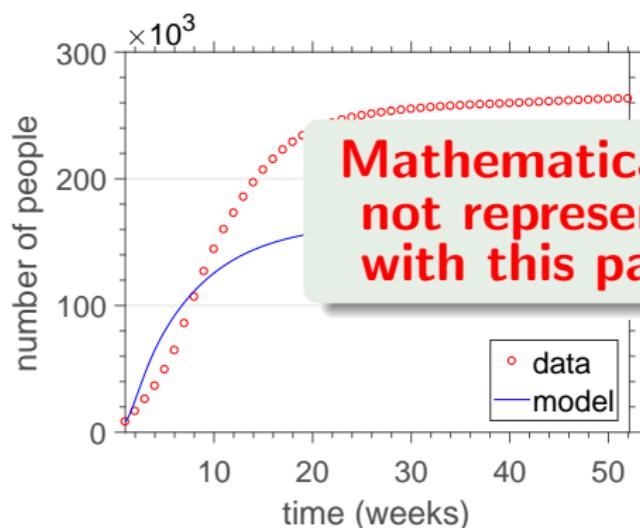


Cumulative number of infectious

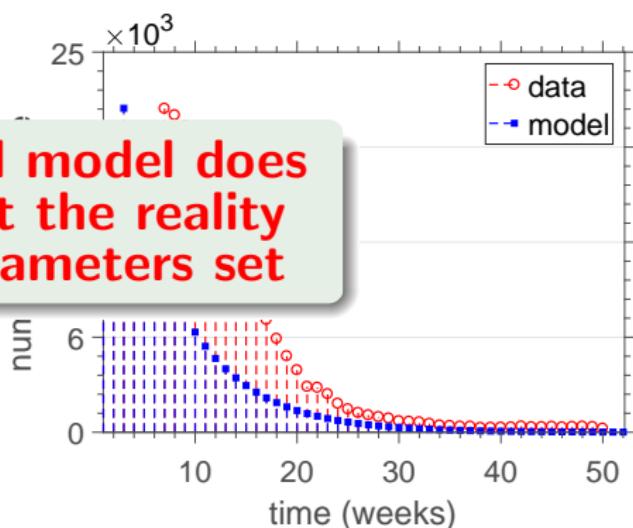


New infectious cases

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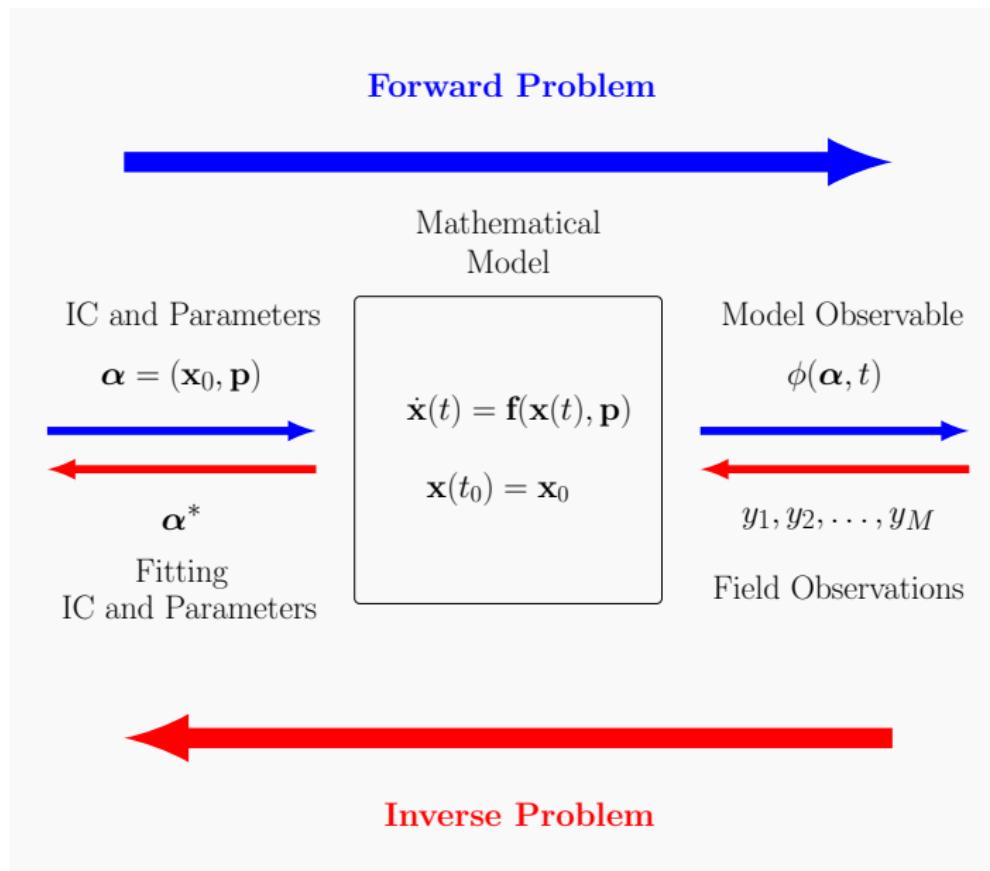
New infectious cases

## Section 3

### Model Calibration



# Forward and inverse problem for SEIR-SEI dynamic system



# An inverse problem for SEIR-SEI model calibration

Given a collection of field data

$$\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{y}_2, \dots, \mathbf{y}_M,$$

find a set of fitting parameters and initial conditions such that

$$\boldsymbol{\alpha}^* = \arg \min_{\boldsymbol{\alpha}} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^M \left| \mathbf{y}_n - \phi(\boldsymbol{\alpha}, t_n) \right|_2^2 \right\}.$$

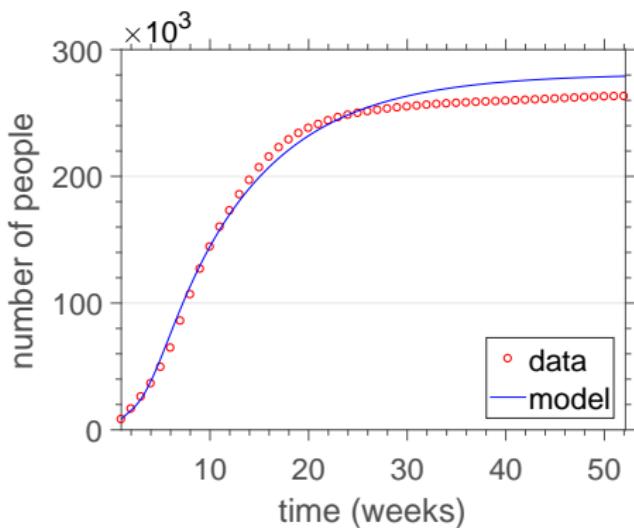
Solved using a bounded trust-region-reflective algorithm.



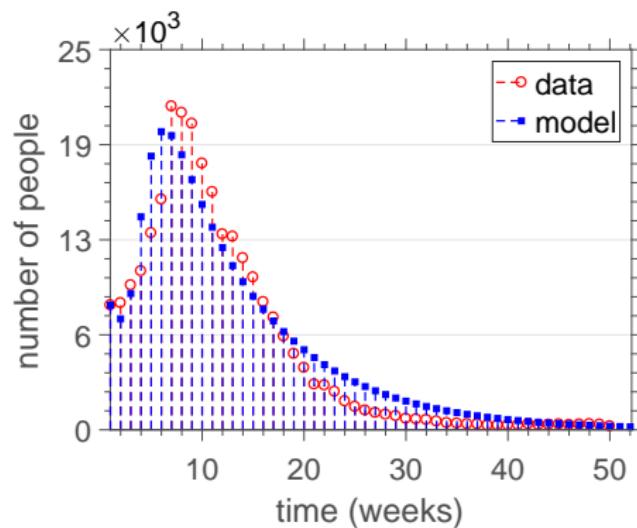
Coleman, T.F., and Li, Y., *An Interior Trust Region Approach for Nonlinear Minimization Subject to Bounds*. SIAM Journal on Optimization, 6:418–445, 1996.



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Cumulative number of infectious



New infectious cases

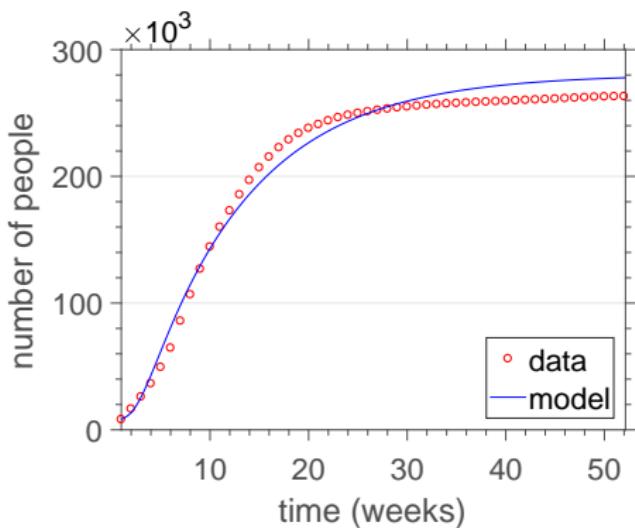
First calibration



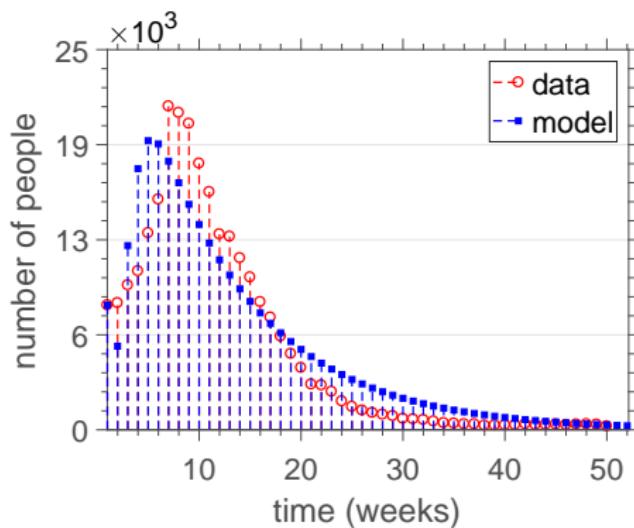
# First calibration skills

- Reasonable parameters
- Cumulative number of infectious overshoots data by only 6%
- Peak value of New Cases differs from the data maximum by 7.87%
- Human IC sum differ 9.82% from the total population  
 $(S_h^i + E_h^i + I_h^i + R_h^i = N)$
- Vector IC sum to 0.99  
 $(S_h^i + E_h^i + I_h^i = 1)$
- Initial infectious humans is approximately 253,360 individuals

# Cumulative infectious and new infectious



Cumulative number of infectious



New infectious cases

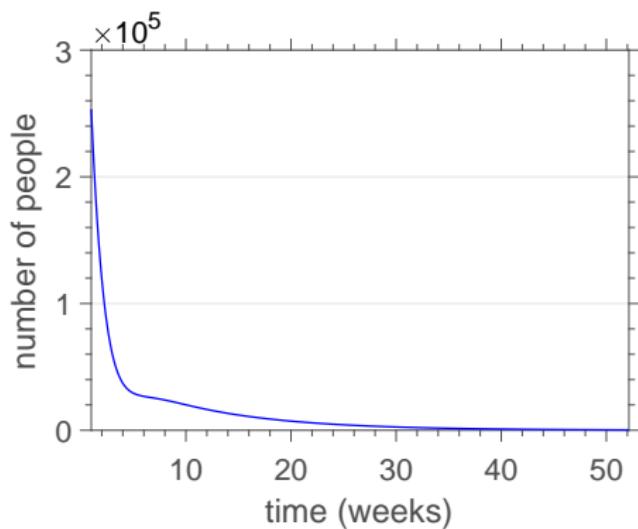
## Second calibration



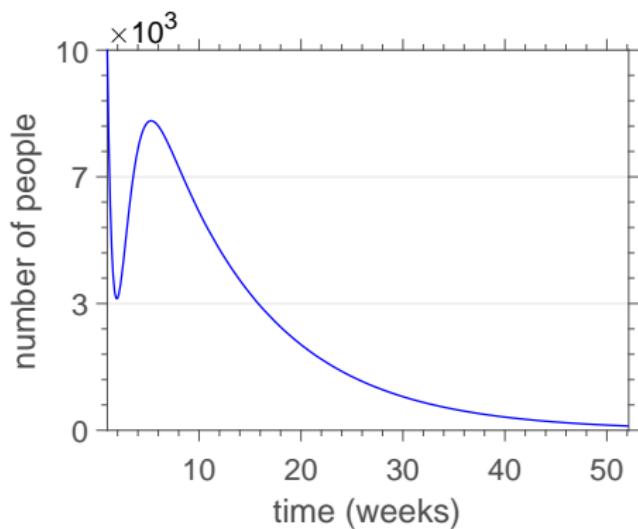
## Second calibration skills

- Reasonable parameters
- Cumulative number of infectious overshoots data by only 5.74%
- Vector IC sum to 0.999  
 $(S_h^i + E_h^i + I_h^i = 1)$
- Initial infectious humans is approximately 10,000 individuals
- Human IC sum is equal to total population  
 $(S_h^i + E_h^i + I_h^i + R_h^i = N)$
- Peak value of New infectious cases differs from the data maximum by 10.57%
- Peak of New infectious cases occurs two weeks before the peak of the data

# Comparison of infectious humans curves

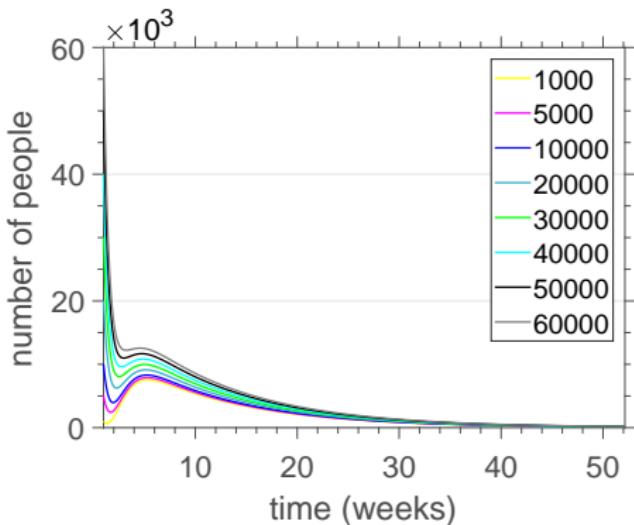


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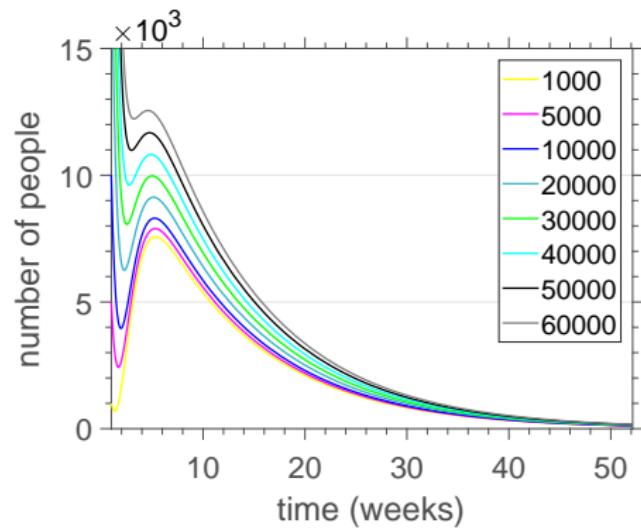


Second calibration

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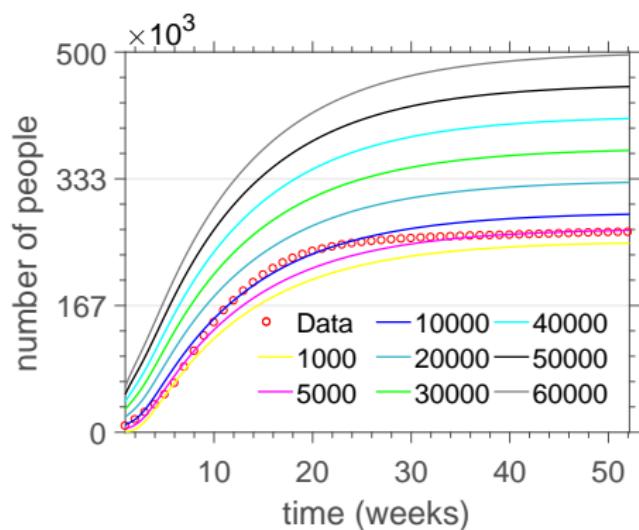


Curves for various initial infectious humans values

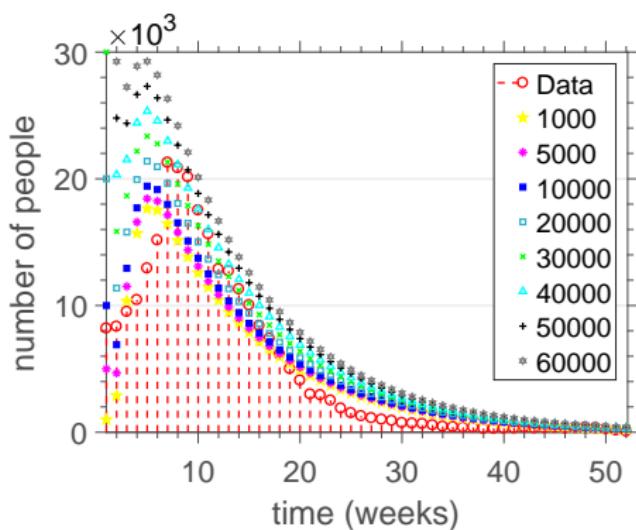


Zoom in the local peak region of the image to the left

# Comparison of cumulative and new infectious curves



Cumulative number of infectious



New infectious cases

## Section 4

### Final Remarks



# Concluding remarks

## Contributions and conclusions:

- Development of a SEIR-SEI epidemic model to describe Zika virus outbreak in Brazil
- Calibration of this SEIR-SEI model with epidemic real data

## Next steps in this work:

- Construct a probabilistic model to describe uncertainties
- Bayesian updating to improve the model calibration
- Design of experiments via Active Subspace



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# Number of new cases of infectious per epidemiological week

# Number of new cases per week

A set of 52 points to represent the number of new infectious cases of Zika fever at each week is defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{N}_w &= C_w - C_{w-1}, \\ \mathcal{N}_1 &= C_1,\end{aligned}$$

where  $C_w$  is the cumulative number of infectious humans in the  $w$ th epidemiological week.



# Nominal parameters and initial conditions



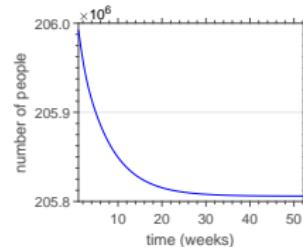
# Nominal parameters and initial conditions

$\alpha$	value	unit
$\alpha_h$	$1/5.9$	$\text{days}^{-1}$
$\alpha_v$	$1/9.1$	$\text{days}^{-1}$
$\gamma$	$1/7.9$	$\text{days}^{-1}$
$\delta$	$1/11$	$\text{days}^{-1}$
$\beta_h$	$1/11.3$	$\text{days}^{-1}$
$\beta_v$	$1/8.6$	$\text{days}^{-1}$
$N$	$206 \times 10^6$	people
$S_h^i$	205,953,959	people
$E_h^i$	8,201	people
$I_h^i$	8,201	people
$R_h^i$	29,639	people
$S_v^i$	0.99956	—
$E_v^i$	$2.2 \times 10^{-4}$	—
$I_v^i$	$2.2 \times 10^{-4}$	—

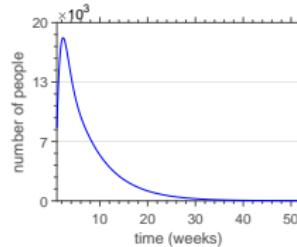


# Curves for nominal inputs

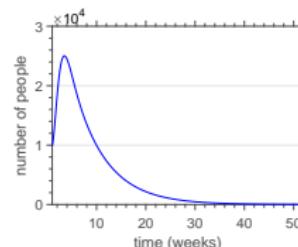
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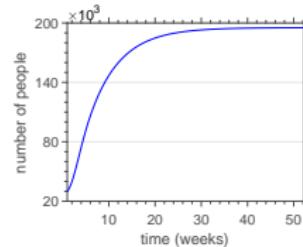
Susceptible humans



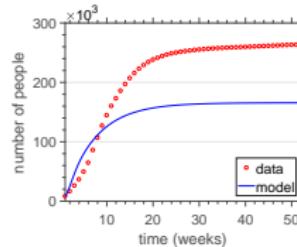
Exposed humans



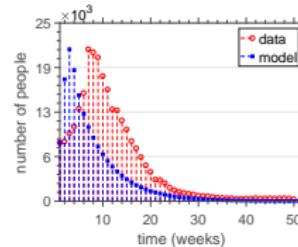
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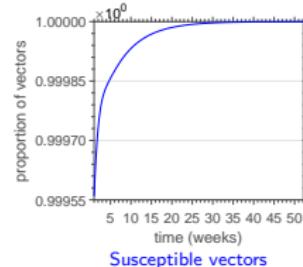
Recovered humans



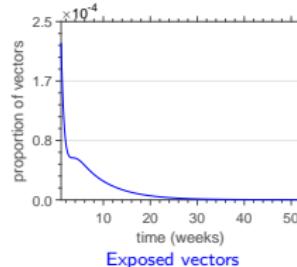
Cumulative infectious



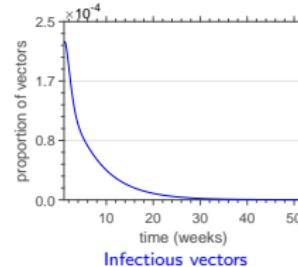
New cases



Susceptible vectors



Exposed vectors



Infectious vectors



# First calibration parameters and initial conditions

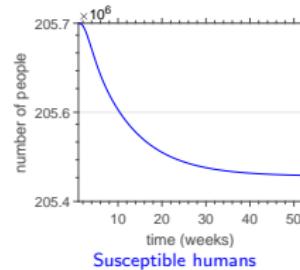


# First calibration parameters and IC

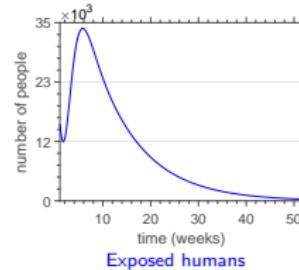
$\alpha$	TRR input	<b>lb</b>	<b>ub</b>	TRR output
$\alpha_h$	1/5.9	1/12	1/3	1/12
$\alpha_v$	1/9.1	1/10	1/5	1/10
$\gamma$	1/7.9	1/8.8	1/3	1/8.8
$\delta$	1/11	1/21	1/11	1/16.86
$\beta_h$	1/11.3	1/16.3	1/8	1/16.3
$\beta_v$	1/8.6	1/11.6	1/6.2	1/11.6
$S_h^i$	205,953,959	$0.9 \times N$	$N$	205,700,000
$E_h^i$	8,201	0	$N$	15,089
$I_h^i$	8,201	0	$N$	253,360
$S_v^i$	0.99956	0.99	0.999	0.99
$E_v^i$	$2.2 \times 10^{-4}$	0	1	0
$I_v^i$	$2.2 \times 10^{-4}$	0	1	0

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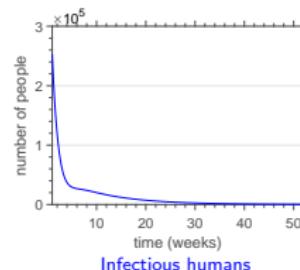
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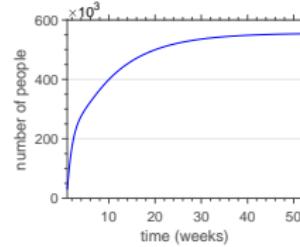
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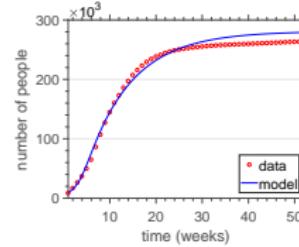
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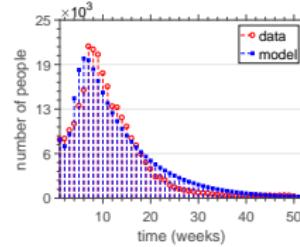
Infectious humans



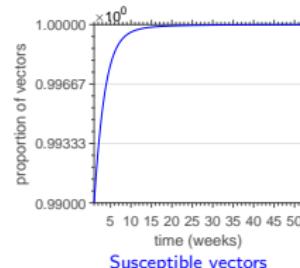
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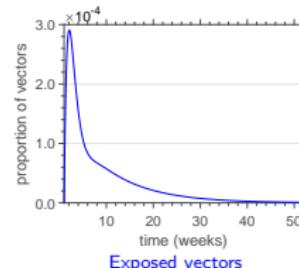
Cumulative infectious



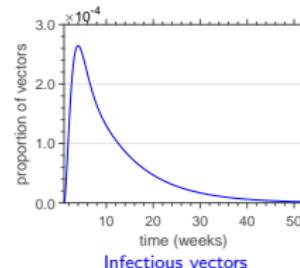
New cases



Susceptible vectors



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# Second calibration parameters and initial conditions



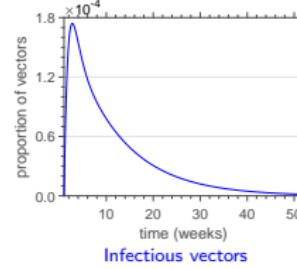
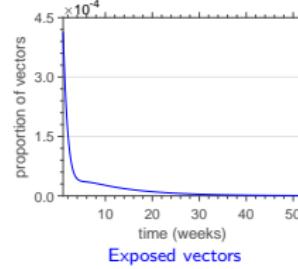
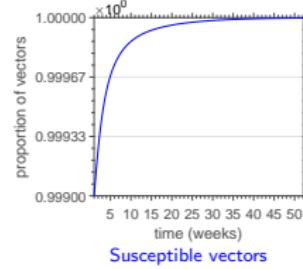
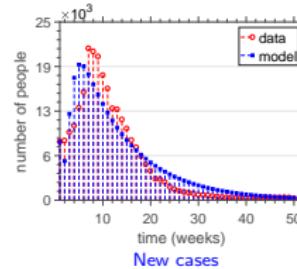
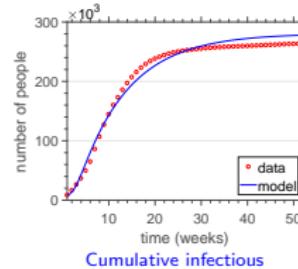
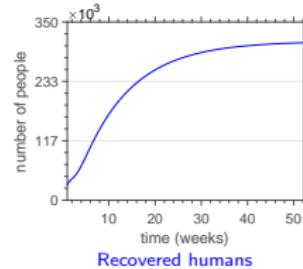
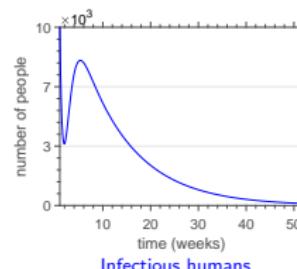
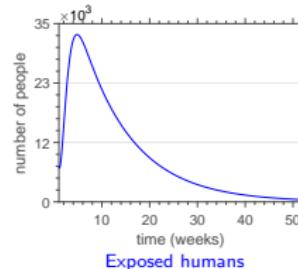
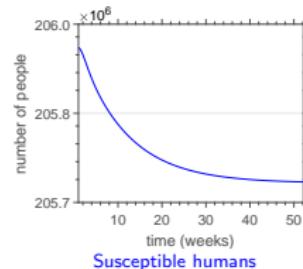
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$\gamma$	1/7.9	1/8.8	1/3	1/3
$\delta$	1/11	1/21	1/11	1/21
$\beta_h$	1/11.3	1/16.3	1/8	1/10.40
$\beta_v$	1/8.6	1/11.6	1/6.2	1/7.77
$S_h^i$	205,953,959	$0.9 \times N$	$N$	205,953,534
$E_h^i$	8,201	0	10,000	6,827
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$S_v^i$	0.9996	0.99	0.999	0.999
$E_v^i$	$2.2 \times 10^{-4}$	0	1	$4.14 \times 10^{-4}$
$I_v^i$	$2.2 \times 10^{-4}$	0	1	0

# Curves for second calibration inputs



# Curves for first second inputs



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