

Endemic-epidemic modelling with surveillance

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library("surveillance")

Some background:

- Michael H\u00f6hle had worked on statistical methods for outbreak detection and published a first version of surveillance on CRAN in November 2005
- Back then, we had R 2.2.0 and only about 600 packages on CRAN.
- Since 2011, surveillance additionally provides three classes of regression models for infectious disease surveillance data



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Spatio-Temporal Analysis of Epidemic Phenomena Using the R Package surveillance

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Abstract

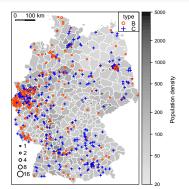
The availability of geocoded health data and the inherent temporal structure of communicable diseases have led to an increased interest in statistical models and software for spatio-temporal data with epidemic features. The open source R package surveillance can handle various levels of aggregation at which infective events have been recorded:



Two types of supported surveillance data

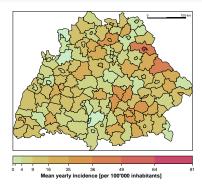
Individual-level data

C	oord:	inates	time	sex	agegrp	
1 (4	112,	3203)	1	male	[3,19)	
2 (4	123,	3077)	1	male	[3,19)	
3 (4	412,	2916)	6	female	[19, Inf)	
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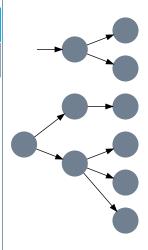
Count time series

	09162	09184	09179	09174	
2005-W01	7	0	0	1	
2005-W02	2	1	0	0	
2005-W03	1	4	0	0	
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Basic modelling concept



Decomposed disease risk:

Endemic: background risk driven by seasonality, demographics, ...

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Epidemic: force of infection by previously

infected individuals

 Force of infection may depend on social mixing and spatial/temporal distance to infective



Endemic-epidemic modelling frameworks in surveillance

	twinstim	hhh4	twinSIR	
Data	individual events in continuous space-time	event counts aggregated in space and time	individual SI[R][S] history of a fixed population	
Example	case reports of IMD, Germany, 2002–2008	week×district counts of measles, Weser-Ems region, 2001–2002	measles outbreak among households, Hagelloch, 1861	
Model	spatio-temporal PP	multivariate NegBin time series	multivariate temporal PP	
Rate	$\lambda(s,t)$	μ_{it}	$\lambda_i(t) \{i \in S(t)\}$	
= Endemic +	$v_{[s][t]} ho_{[s][t]}$	V _{it} e _{it}	$v_i(t)\lambda_0(t)$	
Epidemic	$\int_{j:t_j < t} \eta_j f(\ s - s_j\) g(t - t_j)$	$\lambda_{it} Y_{i,t-1} + \phi_{it} \sum_{j \neq i} w_{ji} Y_{j,t-1}$	$\sum_{j\in I(t)} f(s_i-s_j)$	

visualization

model assessment

likelihood inference

simulation



Starting point for hhh4()

We have:

- Public health surveillance counts Y_{grt} indexed by [group,] [region,] time
- Maybe a social contact matrix $C = (c_{g'g})$
- Maybe additional covariates: vaccination coverage, climate, socio-demographics, . . .

We want: a joint model of all three data dimensions

- g: social mixing patterns between age groups
- r: spatial dynamics through human travel
- t: temporal dependencies inherent to communicable diseases

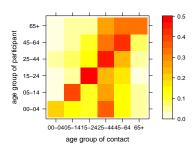


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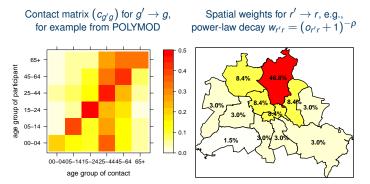
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Spatial weights for $r' \rightarrow r$, e.g.,

power-law decay $w_{r'r} = (o_{r'r} + 1)^{-\rho}$

Contact matrix $(c_{g'g})$ for $g' \to g$, for example from POLYMOD

00-0405-1415-2425-4445-64 65+ age group of contact 0.5 0.4 0.3 0.2 0.1 1.5% 3.0% Log-linear predictors v_{grt} and ϕ_{grt}

- Population
- Seasonality
 - Groupspecific susceptibility
- (Covariates)

65+

45-64

15-24

05-14

00-04

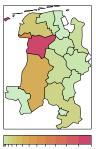
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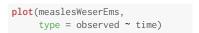


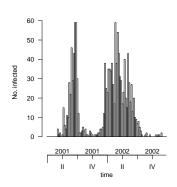
A simple example: data("measlesWeserEms")

```
plot(measlesWeserEms,
     type = observed ~ unit)
```

2001-W01 to 2002-W52







Following slides: univariate model for the (right-hand) overall time series

measles1 <- aggregate(measlesWeserEms, by = "unit")</pre>



Univariate hhh4() model

Number of cases at time t

$$Y_t | Y_{t-1} \sim \mathsf{NegBin}(\mu_t, \psi)$$

Endemic-Epidemic decomposition of disease risk:

$$\mu_t = \mathbf{v}_t + \lambda \, \mathbf{Y}_{t-1}$$

Seasonality via sine-cosine terms in v_t :

$$v_t = \alpha + \gamma \sin(2\pi t/52) + \delta \cos(2\pi t/52)$$

```
(endemic <- addSeason2formula(~1))
~1 + sin(2 * pi * t/52) + cos(2 * pi * t/52)</pre>
```



Univariate hhh4() model

```
measlesModel <- list(end = list(f = endemic), # "nu"</pre>
                    ar = list(f = ~1). # "lambda"
                    family = "NegBin1")
measlesFit <- hhh4(measles1, control = measlesModel)</pre>
summarv(measlesFit. amplitudeShift = TRUE. idx2exp = TRUE)
Call:
hhh4(sts0bj = measles1, control = measlesModel)
Coefficients:
                     Estimate Std. Error
ar 1
                    -0.09456 0.10125
end 1
                    -0.09826 0.22934
end.A(2 * pi * t/52) 1.43597 0.37315
end.s(2 * pi * t/52) -0.77073 0.19739
overdisp
                   0.34459 0.07951
Log-likelihood: -271.32
ATC:
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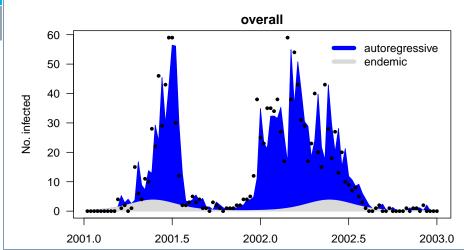
565.82

BTC:



Fitted mean components

plot(measlesFit, type = "fitted")





Methods for "hhh4" objects

Display	Extract	Modify	Other
print summary plot	nobs coef fixef ranef vcov confint coeflist logLik residuals terms formula getNEweights	update	<pre>predict simulate pit scores calibrationTest all.equal oneStepAhead</pre>