

Modeling the Effect of School Closures in a Pandemic Scenario: Exploring Two Different Contact Matrices

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Background. School closures may delay the epidemic peak of the next influenza pandemic, but whether school closure can delay the peak until pandemic vaccine is ready to be deployed is uncertain.

Methods. To study the effect of school closures on the timing of epidemic peaks, we built a deterministic susceptible-infected-recovered model of influenza transmission. We stratified the U.S. population into 4 age groups (0–4, 5–19, 20–64, and ≥65 years), and used contact matrices to model the average number of potentially disease transmitting, nonphysical contacts.

Results. For every week of school closure at day 5 of introduction and a 30% clinical attack rate scenario, epidemic peak would be delayed by approximately 5 days. For a 15% clinical attack rate scenario, 1 week closure would delay the peak by 9 days. Closing schools for less than 84 days (12 weeks) would not, however, reduce the estimated total number of cases.

Conclusions. Unless vaccine is available early, school closure alone may not be able to delay the peak until vaccine is ready to be deployed. Conversely, if vaccination begins quickly, school closure may be helpful in providing the time to vaccinate school-aged children before the pandemic peaks.

Keywords. influenza; mathematical model; social distancing.

In response to the 2013 emergence of human infections with the novel avian influenza A(H7N9) in China associated with reported high mortality [1], the Emergency Operations Center of the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) was activated. The Joint Modeling Unit was tasked with simulating hypothetical scenarios to assist with potential pandemic influenza planning should sustained human-to-human transmission occur in the United States.

Community mitigation, such as school closure, is part of public health planning in the event of influenza pandemics. Transmission among school children is

believed to be one of the drivers of influenza epidemics [2,3]. In the event of a pandemic, delaying the epidemic peak by using community mitigation may slow the pandemic long enough for vaccines to be produced and distributed [2]. Prompted by the avian influenza A(H7N9) outbreaks in China, we estimated the effect of school closures in response to a hypothetical influenza pandemic. Specifically, we estimated, if, and by how much, school closures of various durations would delay the time to peak and reduce the total number of cases. Such information will help public health officials better understand the benefits of school closures and thus how to best integrate school closures into pandemic response plans.

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METHODS

Our mathematical model simulates how 4 age groups of a population interact when schools are in session and when they are not. This model allows us to track the spread of

an influenza virus in an age-stratified population, using the number of daily contacts between person, and thus the probability of contact and onward transmission among different age groups.

We estimated the effect of school closure on the time to epidemic peak by varying the number of days schools were closed from 7 through to 140 days, with school closure beginning 5 days after 10 infected persons were introduced into the United States (Table 1). We assumed clinical attack rate (CAR) scenarios of 15% and 30% without any intervention [5]. We also conducted sensitivity analyses by varying the number of contacts per day in the contact matrices.

The Model

We used an age-structured S-I-R (susceptible-infected-recovered) compartmental model to deterministically model the effect of school closure in a hypothetical pandemic scenario. We expanded a previously published model [6] from 2 to 4 age-groups, namely 0–4, 5–19, 20–64, and ≥ 65 years. We programmed our model in R (versions 2.15.1 to 2.15.3).

Table 1. Primary Assumptions and Parameter Values in Our Model

Assumptions/ Parameters	Value	Reference/Notes
Number of infected persons initially introduced to the population	10	Assumption defined by the prescribed scenario
Day of arrival of the infected persons (number of days after the beginning of the pandemic)	14 d	Assumption defined by the prescribed scenario
Day school closure starts	5 d after the introduction	Assumption defined by the prescribed scenario
Length of school closures	7 to 140 d	Assumption defined by the prescribed scenario
Total population	310 000 000	Approximation of US population ^a
Age group		
0–4 y	6.440%	^a
5–19 y	20.204%	^a
20–64 y	60.074%	^a
64+ y	13.282%	^a
Recovery rate (γ)	0.25 d ^{−1}	Infectious period = 4 d [4]
Probability of transmission given a contact (P)		
30% attack rate	.016487	Estimated, assuming a 30% attack rate with the matrices used in the main analysis
15% attack rate	.011047	Estimated, assuming a 15% attack rate with the matrices used in the main analysis

^a Source: US Census Bureau, ACS Demographic and Housing Estimates, 2011 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates: http://factfinder2.census.gov/faces/tableservices/jsf/pages/productview.xhtml?pid=ACS_11_1YR_DP05&prodType=table. Accessed 16 February 2015.

Assumptions

We assumed that half of the infected people were asymptomatic and therefore would not be clinically observed [7]. We further assumed that asymptomatic patients were as infectious as symptomatic ones. The duration of infectiousness was assumed to be 4 days (ie, the recovery rate was assumed to be 0.25 per day). We assumed that 10 infected persons arrived on day 14 after the detection of the pandemic strain and that school closure began 5 days after that (ie, on day 19).

Scenarios

We used the following standardized scenarios: 30% and 15% total CAR in 365 days in the absence of any interventions. To achieve the specified total CAR in the baseline scenario, we adjusted the probability of transmission given contact (P) for all age groups: 0.016487 for 30% CAR and 0.011047 for 15% CAR.

Contact Matrices

We modeled school closures by assuming that when schools closed during a pandemic, the resultant contact matrix was the same as that measured during school vacations. We adapted the contact matrices of Eames et al [8], that were based on data from the United Kingdom, as follows: the “term time” (ie, semester in American English) matrix in our model represents school in session and “school holidays” (ie, vacations in American English) matrix represents in our model pandemic-related school closure. The major difference between the “term time” matrix and the “school holidays” matrix is a reduction of intra-group contacts among members of age group 2 (representing ages: 5–18 years) by 58% and a concomitant increase of intra-group contacts among members of age group 1 (ages: 0–4 years) by 62% during vacations. To make groups consistent with US Census age groups, we changed them from 0 to 4, 5 to 18, 19 to 64, and ≥ 65 years, to 0–4, 5–19, 20–64, and ≥ 65 years. In theory, contact between two groups should be symmetric because an encounter between someone in one group and someone in another group (group i and group j in our model) should be reported by both. However, in practice, contact matrices derived from self-reported data are rarely the case. To correct for this, we converted the contact matrix into a symmetrical matrix by taking the square root of the element-wise product of the contact matrix and its transpose, ie, $\sqrt{C \cdot C^T}$ (Figure 1 and Table 1; see [Supplementary Materials](#) for details of the equations and the matrices).

Analysis Using Alternative Matrix pair

To test the impact of choice of contact matrix, we re-ran the model using an alternative pair of matrices from Eames et al [8], namely, their “B matrices”. The B matrices were derived to correct for the differences in the number of self-reported contacts between groups. The element of the matrices was calculated by taking an

Main analysis									
Schools open					Schools close				
A	0–4	5–19	20–64	65+	B	0–4	5–19	20–64	65+
0–4	4.0196	1.6014	2.5713	0.1200	0–4	6.5227	1.3084	3.0316	0.1145
5–19	1.6014	27.6762	6.5523	0.5290	5–19	1.3084	11.5761	5.1666	0.4965
20–64	2.5713	6.5523	14.7942	2.5727	20–64	3.0316	5.1666	14.9680	2.4388
65+	0.1200	0.5290	2.5727	2.0980	65+	0.1145	0.4965	2.4388	1.4326

Alternative matrices									
Schools open					Schools close				
C	0–4	5–19	20–64	65+	D	0–4	5–19	20–64	65+
0–4	4.0196	3.1246	7.8531	0.1767	0–4	6.5227	2.4095	9.6149	0.1942
5–19	0.9960	27.6762	11.30	0.5837	5–19	0.7681	11.5761	9.2455	0.4287
20–64	0.8419	3.8002	14.7942	1.2299	20–64	1.0308	3.1094	14.9680	1.1510
65+	0.0857	0.8878	5.5628	2.0980	65+	0.0941	0.6521	5.2058	1.4326

Figure 1. Contact matrices representing the mean number of contacts per day between each age group (modified from Eames et al [8], see [Supplementary Materials](#) for further details). In each panel, the susceptible person's age group is shown on the vertical axis, that of their contacts on the horizontal axis. The 4 panels show patterns of conversational contacts when (A) schools open ("term time") in the main analysis; (B) schools close ("school holidays") in the main analysis; (C) schools open ("term time") in the alternative analysis; and (D) schools close ("school holidays") in the alternative analysis. The elements of the matrices are color-coded as follows: blue: 0–3.9999; light red: 4–9.9999; red: 10–19.9999; dark red: ≥ 20 .

average of the total number of contacts made by people in group i with people in group j , and the total number of contacts made by people in group j with people in group i , in other words, $B_{i,j} = (n_i C_{i,j} + n_j C_{j,i}) / 2n_i$. To make it relevant to our study, we replace n_i with US population data. Please note that the resultant contact matrices were not symmetrical (Figure 1). We assumed that the probability of transmission given contact remains the same as in the main analysis (see [Supplementary Materials](#) for further details).

We also programmed the differential equation model (that models time continuously) as a difference equation model (that models time discretely), both in R and in Excel, as a teaching tool. The R codes and Excel file are provided as [Supplementary files](#).

RESULTS

Main Results

For the 30% attack rate scenario, we found that for every week the school closed (up to 12 weeks), the peak would be delayed by approximately 5 days. School closure for 84 days could delay the peak for approximately 60 days. Closing schools for 1 to 12 weeks would not significantly change the magnitude of the peak of the epidemic (approximately 16.5 million cases). However, if schools were closed for an extensive period of time, the

magnitude of the peak and the attack rate would be reduced slightly. For example, closing schools for 20 weeks would reduce the peak incidence to 16.1 million and the attack rate to 29.96% (Figure 2 and Table 2).

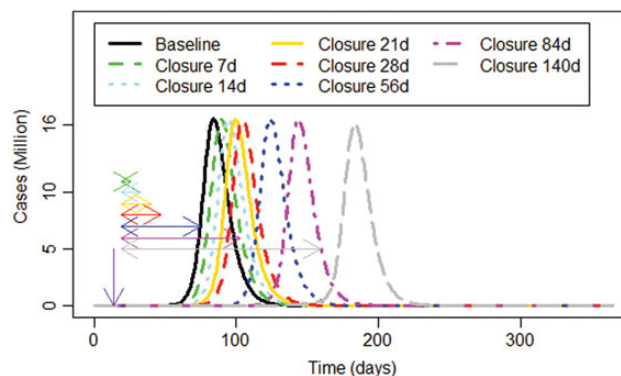


Figure 2. The effect of school closure of various lengths upon the epidemic curve of a hypothetical influenza pandemic in the United States (Main analysis). Assumption = 30% attack rate in the baseline. Probability of transmission given a contact (P) = .016487. We assumed that 10 persons infected with the virus arrived at the United States on day 14 (vertical arrow). Schools closure (horizontal double arrows) began on day 19 for various lengths (days): 0 (black – baseline); 7 (green); 14 (light blue); 21 (yellow); 28 (red); 56 (blue); 84 (magenta); 140 (grey).

Table 2. School Closure and Delay in the Peak of Epidemic in the Main Analysis

	Baseline	7 d	14 d	21 d	28 d	56 d	84 d	140 d
30% attack rate scenario								
Peak time (day)	84	90	95	100	105	124	144	184
Delay in peak time (day)	n/a	6	11	16	21	40	60	100
Peak incidence (millions of cases)	16.5	16.5	16.5	16.5	16.5	16.5	16.5	16.1
Attack rate (%)	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0	29.96
15% attack rate scenario								
Peak time (day)	196	205	214	224	233	269	306	≥365
Delay in peak time (day)	n/a	9	18	28	37	73	110	≥169
Peak incidence (millions of cases)	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.6	^a
Attack rate (%)	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	14.99	14.82	^a

Abbreviation: n/a, not applied.

^a The peak has been delayed beyond the scope of the simulation. Our calculation of the incidence is based on one single year, as the simulation lasts for 365 days only.

In the 15% attack rate scenario, we found that, for every week the school closed, the peak would be delayed for approximately 9 days. If schools were closed for 140 days, the peak would be delayed for more than 1 year. Similarly, closing schools would not significantly change the magnitude of the peak of the epidemic (approximately 3.6 million cases) (Figure 3 and Table 2).

Analysis Using Alternative Matrix Pair

We found that the baseline attack rate was slightly lower than that for the main analysis: 28% instead of 30% and 13% instead of 15%. The delay of the peak was slightly less than that with the main analysis. For example, if schools were closed for 84 days, the peak would be delayed by either 58 days (high attack rate scenario) or 108 days (low attack rate scenario) (Figures 4 and 5, Table 3).

DISCUSSION

The avian influenza A(H7N9) emergency response in spring 2013 gave us an opportunity to revisit the issue of the effect of school closure as a measure to control influenza pandemics by using an age-stratified dynamic compartmental S-I-R model.

Our results show that although extended school closure may not reduce the magnitude of the peak of the epidemic, we can delay the peak for as many as 100 days (after a 140 day closure); for every week of school closure, the epidemic peak was delayed by 5 or 9 days depending on the attack rate assumed in the model (30% or 15%). We used alternative contact matrices and found that these results were robust. Unless vaccine is available early, school closure (of realistic length) alone may not be able to delay the peak until the vaccine is ready to be deployed.

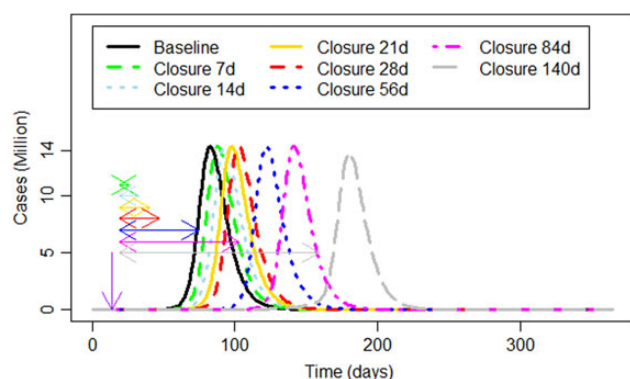


Figure 3. The effect of school closure of various lengths upon the epidemic curve of a hypothetical influenza pandemic in the United States (Alternative analysis). Assumption = high attack rate in the baseline. Probability of transmission given a contact (P) = .016487. All other parameters and assumptions are the same as Figure 2.

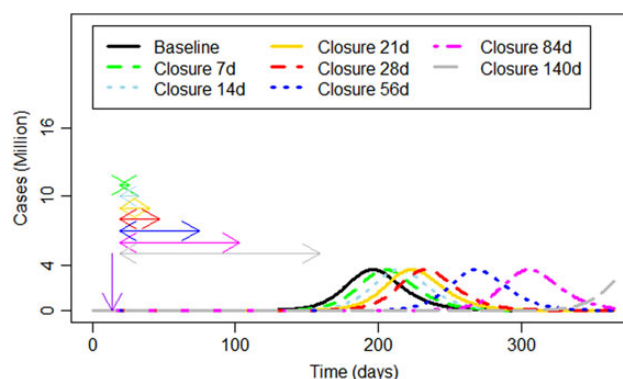


Figure 4. The effect of school closure of various lengths upon the epidemic curve of a hypothetical influenza pandemic in the United States (Main analysis). Assumption = 15% attack rate in the baseline. Probability of transmission given a contact (P) = .011047. All other parameters and assumptions are the same as Figure 2.

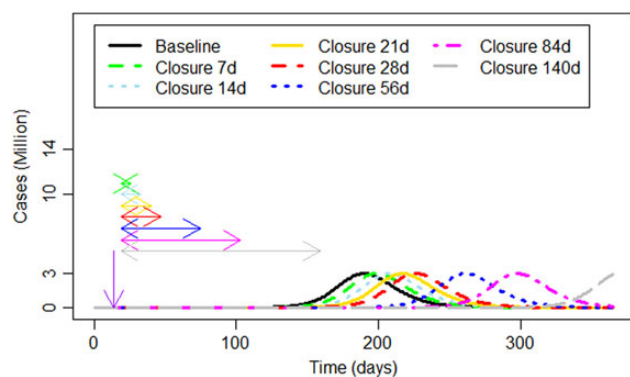


Figure 5. The effect of school closure of various lengths upon the epidemic curve of a hypothetical influenza pandemic in the United States (Alternative analysis). Assumption = low attack rate in the baseline. Probability of transmission given a contact (P) = .011047. All other parameters and assumptions are the same as Figure 2.

Conversely, if vaccination begins quickly, school closure may be helpful in providing the time to vaccinate school-aged children before the pandemic peak.

Jackson et al reviewed 45 models of impact of school closure and found that: “Most papers predicted that closing schools would delay the epidemic peak, usually by no more than 1–3 weeks” [9]. The biggest difference between our results and others is that many models estimated that school closures will reduce cumulative incidence and incidence at peak. The estimated impact of incidence depended upon many factors in their models, such as increasing household/ community contacts following school closure (as we did – Figure 1), and level of attack (R_0 values), with some models showing school closure could increase the attack rate. Two components could contribute to these differences between these models and ours. First, researchers have used different population age structures,

resulting in different sizes of groups. Further, the models often used very different contact matrices and, as shown by Jackson et al [9], made very different assumptions regarding how those matrices changes due to school closures. It is therefore likely that we used more conservative assumptions, including those relating to contact matrices, thereby limiting the predicted effect of school closures in our model.

Our study has a number of limitations. First, we assumed that the contact data reported in the United Kingdom were applicable to the United States (with some adjustments to the age groups). US data, when they become available, could be used in future studies. Second, we assumed that the contact matrices for school closure for pandemic influenza were the same as the contact matrices reported for scheduled school vacations. This assumption may not hold for prolonged school closure (when children and adults readjust their daily routine and social gatherings) or for a very severe pandemic (when both fear of illness and the actuality of severe illness reduce social contacts). Third, we assumed that the contact matrices were not time-dependent (except for opening and closure of schools). However, social contact patterns may change from the beginning of school closure (when everyone is more alert to the threat of influenza) to the end of school closure (when people become complacent). Fourth, we assumed that half of those infected were asymptomatic (and therefore were not counted as “cases” in the epidemic curves) and as infectious as symptomatic patients. If we assumed all those infected were symptomatic, the number of cases would double given the same parameter sets. Likewise, if we assume that asymptomatic persons are less infectious than the symptomatic persons, the attack rate would be reduced, given the same parameter sets.

Although the model illustrates the potential benefits of school closure, it cannot realistically model the likelihood of successful compliance in the necessary changes in human behavior. Further, because American schools have decentralized systems of

Table 3. School Closure and Delay in the Peak of Epidemic Using the Alternative Matrix

	Baseline	7 d	14 d	21 d	28 d	56 d	84 d	140 d
High attack rate scenario								
Peak time (day)	83	88	93	98	103	122	141	180
Delay in peak time (day)	n/a	5	10	15	20	39	58	97
Peak incidence (millions of cases)	14.4	14.4	14.4	14.4	14.4	14.4	14.4	13.8
Attack rate (%)	28.43	28.43	28.43	28.43	28.43	28.43	28.43	28.34
Low attack rate scenario								
Peak time (day)	190	199	208	217	226	261	298	≥365
Delay in peak time (day)	n/a	9	18	27	36	71	108	≥175
Peak incidence (millions of cases)	3.02	3.02	3.02	3.02	3.02	3.02	3.02	^a
Attack rate	12.94%	12.94%	12.94%	12.94%	12.94%	12.93%	12.82%	^a

Abbreviation: n/a, not applied.

^a The peak has been delayed beyond the scope of the simulation. Our calculation of the incidence is based on 1 single year, as the simulation lasts for 365 days only.

governance, it will likely be challenging to achieve a uniform response to school closure recommendations. Thus, it becomes a priority for public health officials, school officials, and parents to work together to draw up realistic plans for such events. The results presented in this article should help all those drawing up such plans to understand both the potential benefits and limitations of school closure to aid the response to an influenza pandemic.

Supplementary Data

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R codes

Introduction

As supplementary materials to the article, this PDF file contains four R codes (.r files):

1. “Flu_School_Closure_CID.r”: This is the main R code for ordinary differential equation model.
2. “Flu_School_Closure_CID_Data.r”: This is the R code that creates the summary result file.
3. “Flu_School_Closure_CID_Plot.r”: This is the R code that plots the figures.
4. “Flu_School_Closure_CID_Difference_eqn.r”: This is the R code for the difference equation model.

Note: These codes are provided as examples for readers to use in their own studies. These sample codes are by no means the most efficient ways of writing R codes. There are likely to be more than one way to program in R to achieve the same goal and readers may re-write the codes in a more efficient manner (with fewer lines).

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R code 1: “Flu_School_Closure_CID.r”

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#####  
## This model is written by Dr. Isaac Chun Hai Fung  
## With input from Dr. Manoj Gambhir and Dr. John Glasser on the mixing matrix  
##  
## The model is based on a previously published model:  
## Fung IC-H, Antia R, Handel A (2012)  
## How to Minimize the Attack Rate during Multiple Influenza Outbreaks in a  
## Heterogeneous Population.  
## PLoS ONE 7(6): e36573. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0036573  
##  
## This R code was based on the R code previously written for Fung, Antia and Handel  
## (2012). The model is now expanded to have 4 age groups instead of 2.  
##  
## Final edits were made on November 21, 2014 for the purpose of publication.  
#####  
  
rm(list=ls())  
# This clears the workspace to make sure no leftover variables are  
# floating around. It is not strictly needed but it is often a good idea.  
  
graphics.off();  
# Close all graphics windows, in case there are still  
# some open from previous work that we did  
  
library(deSolve)  
# Load ODE solver package. You need to have the package installed first.  
  
#####  
## First, we specify the function that describes the differential equation model  
## for the simulated virus infection.  
##  
## This function is called by lsoda (the ODE solver) in the main program  
#####  
  
odeequations=function(t,y,parameters)  
## The function has to be written in a certain form, dictated by lsoda  
{  
  S1=y[1]; S2=y[2]; S3=y[3]; S4=y[4]; # Susceptible  
  I1=y[5]; I2=y[6]; I3=y[7]; I4=y[8]; # Infected (Infectious)  
  R1=y[9]; R2=y[10]; R3=y[11]; R4=y[12]; # Recovered  
  
  ## Model parameters, passed into function by main program  
  beta11 = parameters[1];  
  beta12 = parameters[2];  
  beta13 = parameters[3];  
  beta14 = parameters[4];  
  beta21 = parameters[5];  
  beta22 = parameters[6];  
  beta23 = parameters[7];  
  beta24 = parameters[8];  
  beta31 = parameters[9];  
  beta32 = parameters[10];  
  beta33 = parameters[11];  
  beta34 = parameters[12];  
  beta41 = parameters[13];  
  beta42 = parameters[14];  
  beta43 = parameters[15];  
  beta44 = parameters[16];  
  gamma1 = parameters[17];  
  gamma2 = parameters[18];  
  gamma3 = parameters[19];  
  gamma4 = parameters[20];  
  
  ## These are the differential equations which describe an S-I-R model  
  ## comprising 4 age groups (in proportion) so all add up to 1.
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## Group 1: Age 0 to 4 years
## Group 2: Age 5 to 19 years
## Group 3: Age 20 to 64 years
## Group 4: Age 65+ years

N1 <- 0.06440
N2 <- 0.20204
N3 <- 0.60074
N4 <- 0.13282

dS1dt = - beta11*S1*(I1/N1) - beta12*S1*(I2/N2) - beta13*S1*(I3/N3) - beta14*S1*(I4/N4)
dS2dt = - beta21*S2*(I1/N1) - beta22*S2*(I2/N2) - beta23*S2*(I3/N3) - beta24*S2*(I4/N4)
dS3dt = - beta31*S3*(I1/N1) - beta32*S3*(I2/N2) - beta33*S3*(I3/N3) - beta34*S3*(I4/N4)
dS4dt = - beta41*S4*(I1/N1) - beta42*S4*(I2/N2) - beta43*S4*(I3/N3) - beta44*S4*(I4/N4)

dI1dt = beta11*S1*(I1/N1) + beta12*S1*(I2/N2) + beta13*S1*(I3/N3) + beta14*S1*(I4/N4) -
gamma1*I1;
dI2dt = beta21*S2*(I1/N1) + beta22*S2*(I2/N2) + beta23*S2*(I3/N3) + beta24*S2*(I4/N4) -
gamma2*I2;
dI3dt = beta31*S3*(I1/N1) + beta32*S3*(I2/N2) + beta33*S3*(I3/N3) + beta34*S3*(I4/N4) -
gamma3*I3;
dI4dt = beta41*S4*(I1/N1) + beta42*S4*(I2/N2) + beta43*S4*(I3/N3) + beta44*S4*(I4/N4) -
gamma4*I4;

dR1dt = gamma1 * I1
dR2dt = gamma2 * I2
dR3dt = gamma3 * I3
dR4dt = gamma4 * I4

return(list(c(dS1dt,dS2dt,dS3dt,dS4dt,dI1dt,dI2dt,dI3dt,dI4dt,dR1dt,dR2dt,dR3dt,dR4dt)));
## This command returns the result, which is the right side of the ODEs as a list,
## back to the solver (i.e. lsoda).
} ## End function specifying the ODEs

#####
## Global variable
##
## Assign numerical values to the parameters and initial conditions of the model
##
## Initial conditions
##
## Demographics proportion of the US Population
## Source: US Census Bureau, ACS Demographic and Housing Estimates,
## 2011 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates:
##
http://factfinder2.census.gov/faces/tableservices/jsf/pages/productview.xhtml?pid=ACS\_11\_1YR\_DP05&prodType=table
#####

Total_pop <- 310000000 # Approximation of total US population
S1 <- 0.06440 # Proportion of Group 1 in the population (0-4)
S2 <- 0.20204 # Proportion of Group 2 in the population (5-19)
S3 <- 0.60074 # Proportion of Group 3 in the population (20-64)
S4 <- 0.13282 # Proportion of Group 4 in the population (64+)

## Number of infected persons introduced into the USA
seed = 10
## 10 infected person are introduced into the USA (310 million people)

infection_introduction = seed/Total_pop

## Initial proportion of susceptible, infected and recovered populations
## by Group (1, 2, 3, and 4)
S1_entry <- S1
S2_entry <- S2
S3_entry <- S3
S4_entry <- S4
I1_entry <- 0
I2_entry <- 0
I3_entry <- infection_introduction ## Assumption the infected person ("seed")
## is a working adult (Group 3)

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I4_entry <- 0
R1_entry <- 0
R2_entry <- 0
R3_entry <- 0
R4_entry <- 0

## Combine initial conditions into a vector
Y0=c(S1_entry, S2_entry, S3_entry, S4_entry, I1_entry, I2_entry, I3_entry, I4_entry, R1_entry,
R2_entry, R3_entry, R4_entry);

#####
## Recovery rate
## Values for model parameters, units are assumed to be 1/days
## Recovery rate = 0.25; i.e. length of infectiousness = 4 days
gamma_matrix <- c(0.25,0.25,0.25,0.25)
gamma1 <- 0.25;
gamma2 <- 0.25;
gamma3 <- 0.25;
gamma4 <- 0.25;

#####
timevec_interval <- 1 ## "lsoda" output results every day (unit = day)
#####

#####
## Total length of simulation
total_length_simulation <- 365

#####
## The time when the infection was introduced into the USA
## (Number of days since the beginning of the simulation)
time_of_introduction <- 14

#####
## The beginning of the summer break or school closure
## We assume that summer vacation (or school closure) begins 5 days
## after the introduction of the infection
from_intro_to_summer_break <-5
summer_break_start <- time_of_introduction + from_intro_to_summer_break

#####
## Transmission Matrix
#####

## Multiplier to adjust the attack rate and therefore R0
## Epidemiologically, it reflects the overall transmission probability of
## the virus per person-to-person contact
## Assuming 50% of the cases are asymptomatic
## If clinical attack rate ~ 30%, we have "real" AR ~ 60%
## If clinical attack rate ~ 15%, we have "real" AR ~ 30%

for (ARScenario in 1:2){
if (ARScenario == 1){ #15% Clinical AR
multiplier <- 0.011047 # CInf == 0.1500055
CARlabel <- c("CAR15")
}
if (ARScenario == 2){ #30% Clinical AR
multiplier <- 0.016487 # CInf == 0.3000068
CARlabel <- c("CAR30")
}

## Term time conversational contact matrix obtained from
## Eames KTD et al. (2012) Measured Dynamic Social Contact
## Patterns Explain the Spread of H1N1v Influenza.
School_matrix <- matrix(nrow = 4, ncol = 4)
School_matrix[1,] <- c(4.0196, 1.8137, 7.8039, 0.1373)
School_matrix[2,] <- c(1.4139, 27.6762, 11.1639, 0.9795)
School_matrix[3,] <- c(0.8472, 3.8457, 14.7942, 1.0078)
School_matrix[4,] <- c(0.1048, 0.2857, 6.5673, 2.0980)
Vacation_matrix <- matrix(nrow = 4, ncol = 4)
Vacation_matrix[1,] <- c(6.5227, 1.7500, 7.0227, 0.0909)

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Vacation_matrix[2,] <- c(0.9783, 11.5761, 11.7174, 0.5761)
Vacation_matrix[3,] <- c(1.3087, 2.2781, 14.9680, 1.0525)
Vacation_matrix[4,] <- c(0.1442, 0.4279, 5.6512, 1.4326)

n_people <- matrix(nrow = 1, ncol = 4)

B_School_matrix <- matrix(nrow = 4, ncol = 4)
B_Vacation_matrix <- matrix(nrow = 4, ncol = 4)
Contact_matrix <- matrix(nrow = 4, ncol = 4)
Vacation_Contact_matrix <- matrix(nrow = 4, ncol = 4)

experiment <- 3

if (experiment == 1){

  ## Method provided by Dr. John Glasser (part 1) and adapted
  ## from Ken Eames' paper.
  ## Dr. John Glasser's method was applied to convert it to be symmetrical
  Contact_matrix <- sqrt(School_matrix*t(School_matrix))

  # Contact matrix is the square root of A %*% t(A);
  # t(A) is the transpose of A
  # A, i.e. Polymod matrix
  #      [,1]      [,2]      [,3]      [,4]
  # [1,] 4.0196000  1.601371  2.571277  0.1199543
  # [2,] 1.6013714 27.676200  6.552329  0.5290020
  # [3,] 2.5712767  6.552329 14.794200  2.5726494
  # [4,] 0.1199543  0.529002  2.572649  2.0980000

  #> Row_sum # Row sums
  #      [,1]
  # [1,]  8.312202
  # [2,] 36.358902
  # [3,] 26.490455
  # [4,]  5.319606

  #> Mixing_matrix
  #      [,1]      [,2]      [,3]      [,4]
  # [1,] 0.48357821 0.19265308 0.3093376 0.01443111
  # [2,] 0.04404345 0.76119460 0.1802125 0.01454945
  # [3,] 0.09706427 0.24734678 0.5584729 0.09711609
  # [4,] 0.02254948 0.09944384 0.4836166 0.39439013

  #> beta_matrix
  #      [,1]      [,2]      [,3]      [,4]
  # [1,] 0.066271145 0.026401811 0.04239264 0.001977687
  # [2,] 0.026401811 0.456297509 0.10802824 0.008721657
  # [3,] 0.042392640 0.108028242 0.24391198 0.042415271
  # [4,] 0.001977687 0.008721657 0.04241527 0.034589726

  Vacation_Contact_matrix<-sqrt(Vacation_matrix*t(Vacation_matrix))

  # > Vacation_Contact_matrix
  #      [,1]      [,2]      [,3]      [,4]
  # [1,] 6.5227000  1.3084437  3.031601  0.1144892
  # [2,] 1.3084437 11.5761000  5.166566  0.4965009
  # [3,] 3.0316015  5.1665665 14.968000  2.4388292
  # [4,] 0.1144892  0.4965009  2.438829  1.4326000

  # > Vacation_Row_sum
  #      [,1]
  # [1,] 10.977234
  # [2,] 18.547611
  # [3,] 25.604997
  # [4,]  4.482419

  # > Vacation_Mixing_matrix
  #      [,1]      [,2]      [,3]      [,4]
  # [1,] 0.59420249 0.1191961 0.2761717 0.01042970
  # [2,] 0.07054514 0.6241289 0.2785570 0.02676900
  # [3,] 0.11839882 0.2017796 0.5845734 0.09524817

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# [4,] 0.02554183 0.1107663 0.5440877 0.31960419

# > Vacation_beta_matrix
#           [,1]      [,2]      [,3]      [,4]
# [1,] 0.107539755 0.021572312 0.04998201 0.001887584
# [2,] 0.021572312 0.190855161 0.08518118 0.008185811
# [3,] 0.049982013 0.085181181 0.24677742 0.040208977
# [4,] 0.001887584 0.008185811 0.04020898 0.023619276
}

if (experiment == 3){ # Alternative matrix

  n_people[1,] <- c(20067828, 62953784, 187185281, 41385026) # Million. US population.
  for (i in 1:4){
    for (j in 1:4){
      B_School_matrix[i,j] <- n_people[1,i] * School_matrix[i,j] + n_people[1,j] *
School_matrix[j,i]
    }
  }

  for (i in 1:4){
    for (j in 1:4){
      B_Vacation_matrix[i,j] <- n_people[1,i] * Vacation_matrix[i,j] + n_people[1,j] *
Vacation_matrix[j,i]
    }
  }
  for (i in 1:4){
    for (j in 1:4){
      Contact_matrix[i,j] <- B_School_matrix[i,j] / (2*n_people[1,i])
    }
  }
  for (i in 1:4){
    for (j in 1:4){
      Vacation_Contact_matrix[i,j] <- B_Vacation_matrix[i,j] / (2*n_people[1,i])
    }
  }
}

#> Contact_matrix
#           [,1]      [,2]      [,3]      [,4]
# [1,] 4.01960000 3.1245876 7.853134 0.1767123
# [2,] 0.99602730 27.6762000 11.299306 0.5836578
# [3,] 0.84192168 3.8001604 14.794200 1.2298863
# [4,] 0.08568876 0.8878445 5.562800 2.0980000
#> Vacation_Contact_matrix
#           [,1]      [,2]      [,3]      [,4]
# [1,] 6.52270000 2.4094881 9.614885 0.1941388
# [2,] 0.76807445 11.5761000 9.245524 0.4286980
# [3,] 1.03079609 3.1094364 14.968000 1.1509654
# [4,] 0.09413896 0.6521239 5.205839 1.4326000
#> beta_matrix
#           [,1]      [,2]      [,3]      [,4]
# [1,] 0.066271145 0.05151508 0.12947462 0.002913455
# [2,] 0.016421502 0.45629751 0.18629166 0.009622766
# [3,] 0.013880763 0.06265324 0.24391198 0.020277135
# [4,] 0.001412751 0.01463789 0.09171388 0.034589726
#> Vacation_beta_matrix
#           [,1]      [,2]      [,3]      [,4]
# [1,] 0.107539755 0.03972523 0.15852061 0.003200766
# [2,] 0.012663243 0.19085516 0.15243096 0.007067945
# [3,] 0.016994735 0.05126528 0.24677742 0.018975967
# [4,] 0.001552069 0.01075157 0.08582867 0.023619276
}

#####
## School open - matrix ##
#####

Row_sum <- matrix(nrow=4, ncol=1)
for(i in 1:4){

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    Row_sum[i,1]=sum(Contact_matrix[i,1:4])
  }

  Mixing_matrix <- matrix(nrow=4, ncol=4)
  for (i in 1:4){
    Mixing_matrix[i,1:4]<- Contact_matrix[i,1:4]/Row_sum[i,1]
  }

  beta_matrix <- matrix(nrow=4, ncol=4)
  for (i in 1:4){
    for (j in 1:4){
      beta_matrix[i,j] <- Row_sum[i,1] * Mixing_matrix[i,j] * multiplier
    }
  }

  print(beta_matrix)

#####
## Vacation matrix = school closure matrix ##
#####

  Vacation_Row_sum <- matrix(nrow=4, ncol=1)
  for(i in 1:4){
    Vacation_Row_sum[i,1]=sum(Vacation_Contact_matrix[i,1:4])
  }

  Vacation_Mixing_matrix <- matrix(nrow=4, ncol=4)
  for (i in 1:4){
    Vacation_Mixing_matrix[i,1:4]<- Vacation_Contact_matrix[i,1:4]/Vacation_Row_sum[i,1]
  }

  Vacation_beta_matrix <- matrix(nrow=4, ncol=4)
  for (i in 1:4){
    for (j in 1:4){
      Vacation_beta_matrix[i,j] <- Vacation_Row_sum[i,1] * Vacation_Mixing_matrix[i,j] *
multiplier
    }
  }

#####
## Scenarios of School closure ##
#####
for (school_scenario in 1:8){

  ## if baseline, beta_matrix2 == beta_matrix
  if (school_scenario == 1){
    beta_matrix2 <- beta_matrix
    Label <- c("Baseline")
    intervention_length <- 28; # But actually school remains open these 28 d
  }

  ## if we close school, beta_matrix2 == Vacation_beta_matrix
  if (school_scenario > 1){
    beta_matrix2 <- Vacation_beta_matrix
    Label <- c("Closure")
  }

  if (school_scenario == 2) {
    intervention_length <- 7;
    # 7 days; Duration of school closure (1 week)
  }
  if (school_scenario == 3) {
    intervention_length <- 14;
    # 14 days; Duration of school closure (2 weeks)
  }
  if (school_scenario == 4) {
    intervention_length <- 21;
    # 21 days; Duration of school closure (3 weeks)
  }
}

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if (school_scenario == 5) {
  intervention_length <- 28;
  # 28 days; Duration of school closure (4 weeks)
}
if (school_scenario == 6) {
  intervention_length <- 56;
  # 56 days; Duration of school closure (8 weeks)
}
if (school_scenario == 7) {
  intervention_length <- 84;
  # 84 days; Duration of school closure (12 weeks)
}
if (school_scenario == 8) {
  intervention_length <- 140;
  # 140 days; Duration of school closure (20 weeks)
}

intervention_length_reset <- intervention_length
end_of_summer_break = summer_break_start + intervention_length
#reset the time at which intervention ceases

#####
## Create a time series before the introduction of imported cases ##
#####
output <- matrix(0, nrow= (time_of_introduction + 1), ncol=13,dimnames =
list(c(0:time_of_introduction),c("time", "1", "2","3","4","5","6","7","8","9","10","11","12")))
for (n in 1 : (time_of_introduction+1)) {
  output[n, ] <-c((n-1), S1, S2, S3, S4, 0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0)
}

ScenLabel <- paste("P_",Label,sep="")

#####
## Introduction of imported cases. Before summer break ##
#####
timevec=seq(time_of_introduction,summer_break_start,by=1);
#this creates a vector of times for which integration is evaluated

parvec=c(beta_matrix[1,1], beta_matrix[1,2], beta_matrix[1,3], beta_matrix[1,4],
beta_matrix[2,1], beta_matrix[2,2], beta_matrix[2,3], beta_matrix[2,4], beta_matrix[3,1],
beta_matrix[3,2], beta_matrix[3,3], beta_matrix[3,4], beta_matrix[4,1], beta_matrix[4,2],
beta_matrix[4,3], beta_matrix[4,4], gamma1, gamma2, gamma3, gamma4);
# This combines all parameters into a vector called parvec
# which is sent to the ODE function

odeoutput=ode(y=Y0, times=timevec, func=odeequations, parms=parvec);
pre_intervention = odeoutput[length(odeoutput[,1]),1]

# Variable value at the beginning of summer break (or school closure)
S1_break <- odeoutput[length(odeoutput[,1]),2];
S2_break <- odeoutput[length(odeoutput[,1]),3];
S3_break <- odeoutput[length(odeoutput[,1]),4];
S4_break <- odeoutput[length(odeoutput[,1]),5];
I1_break <- odeoutput[length(odeoutput[,1]),6];
I2_break <- odeoutput[length(odeoutput[,1]),7];
I3_break <- odeoutput[length(odeoutput[,1]),8];
I4_break <- odeoutput[length(odeoutput[,1]),9];
R1_break <- odeoutput[length(odeoutput[,1]),10];
R2_break <- odeoutput[length(odeoutput[,1]),11];
R3_break <- odeoutput[length(odeoutput[,1]),12];
R4_break <- odeoutput[length(odeoutput[,1]),13];

## CInf stands for cumulative number of infections,
## i.e. cumulative attack rates, at the beginning of summer break
CInf1_break <- S1_entry - S1_break
CInf2_break <- S2_entry - S2_break
CInf3_break <- S3_entry - S3_break
CInf4_break <- S4_entry - S4_break

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#####
## Summer break (School closure)

Y1=c(S1_break, S2_break, S3_break, S4_break, I1_break, I2_break, I3_break, I4_break, R1_break,
R2_break, R3_break, R4_break);
intervention_length = intervention_length_reset

timevec1=seq( pre_intervention, end_of_summer_break, by=timevec_interval);
## This creates a vector of times for which integration is evaluated

parvec1=c(beta_matrix2[1,1], beta_matrix2[1,2], beta_matrix2[1,3], beta_matrix2[1,4],
beta_matrix2[2,1], beta_matrix2[2,2], beta_matrix2[2,3], beta_matrix2[2,4], beta_matrix2[3,1],
beta_matrix2[3,2], beta_matrix2[3,3], beta_matrix2[3,4], beta_matrix2[4,1], beta_matrix2[4,2],
beta_matrix2[4,3], beta_matrix2[4,4], gamma1, gamma2, gamma3, gamma4);
## This combines all parameters into a vector called parvec which is sent to the ODE function

odeoutput1=ode(y=Y1, times=timevec1, func=odeequations, parms=parvec1);

intervention_end = odeoutput1[length(odeoutput1[,1]),1];

S1_break_end <- odeoutput1[length(odeoutput1[,1]),2];
S2_break_end <- odeoutput1[length(odeoutput1[,1]),3];
S3_break_end <- odeoutput1[length(odeoutput1[,1]),4];
S4_break_end <- odeoutput1[length(odeoutput1[,1]),5];
I1_break_end <- odeoutput1[length(odeoutput1[,1]),6];
I2_break_end <- odeoutput1[length(odeoutput1[,1]),7];
I3_break_end <- odeoutput1[length(odeoutput1[,1]),8];
I4_break_end <- odeoutput1[length(odeoutput1[,1]),9];
R1_break_end <- odeoutput1[length(odeoutput1[,1]),10];
R2_break_end <- odeoutput1[length(odeoutput1[,1]),11];
R3_break_end <- odeoutput1[length(odeoutput1[,1]),12];
R4_break_end <- odeoutput1[length(odeoutput1[,1]),13];

## CInf stands for cumulative number of infections, i.e. cumulative attack rates, at the
beginning of summer break
CInf1_break_end <- S1_entry - S1_break_end
CInf2_break_end <- S2_entry - S2_break_end
CInf3_break_end <- S3_entry - S3_break_end
CInf4_break_end <- S4_entry - S4_break_end

#####
## School starts in Fall (when schools re-open) ##
#####

Y2=c(S1_break_end, S2_break_end, S3_break_end, S4_break_end, I1_break_end, I2_break_end,
I3_break_end, I4_break_end, R1_break_end, R2_break_end, R3_break_end, R4_break_end);

timevec2=seq(end_of_summer_break, total_length_simulation, by=timevec_interval);
# This creates a vector of times for which integration is evaluated

parvec2=c(beta_matrix[1,1], beta_matrix[1,2], beta_matrix[1,3], beta_matrix[1,4],
beta_matrix[2,1], beta_matrix[2,2], beta_matrix[2,3], beta_matrix[2,4], beta_matrix[3,1],
beta_matrix[3,2], beta_matrix[3,3], beta_matrix[3,4], beta_matrix[4,1], beta_matrix[4,2],
beta_matrix[4,3], beta_matrix[4,4], gamma1, gamma2, gamma3, gamma4);
# This combines all parameters into a vector called parvec which is sent to the ODE function

odeoutput2=ode(y=Y2, times=timevec2, func=odeequations, parms=parvec2);

intervention_end = odeoutput2[length(odeoutput2[,1]),1];

S1_end <- odeoutput2[length(odeoutput2[,1]),2];
S2_end <- odeoutput2[length(odeoutput2[,1]),3];
S3_end <- odeoutput2[length(odeoutput2[,1]),4];
S4_end <- odeoutput2[length(odeoutput2[,1]),5];
I1_end <- odeoutput2[length(odeoutput2[,1]),6];
I2_end <- odeoutput2[length(odeoutput2[,1]),7];
I3_end <- odeoutput2[length(odeoutput2[,1]),8];
I4_end <- odeoutput2[length(odeoutput2[,1]),9];
R1_end <- odeoutput2[length(odeoutput2[,1]),10];
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R2_end <- odeoutput2[length(odeoutput2[,1]),11];
R3_end <- odeoutput2[length(odeoutput2[,1]),12];
R4_end <- odeoutput2[length(odeoutput2[,1]),13];

outputall <- matrix(0,nrow=366,ncol=13)
outputall[1:(time_of_introduction+1),] <- output[1:length(output[,1]),]
outputall[(time_of_introduction+1):(summer_break_start+1),] <-
odeoutput[1:length(odeoutput[,1]),]
outputall[(summer_break_start+1):(end_of_summer_break+1),] <-
odeoutput1[1:length(odeoutput1[,1]),]
outputall[(end_of_summer_break+1):366,] <- odeoutput2[1:length(odeoutput2[,1]),]
## Convert to numbers
newoutputall <- outputall
newoutputall[,2:13] <- Total_pop*outputall[,2:13]

#####
## Assumption of symptomatic to asymptomatic ratio
## If we want to count all cases (symptomatic and asymptomatic), or
## if we assume that all cases are symptomatic, then sym_ratio = 1
## If we assume that only 1 in 2 cases are symptomatic, then sym_ratio = 0.5
## If we assume that only 1 in 3 cases are symptomatic, then sym_ratio = 0.33
sym_ratio <- 0.5

countall <- matrix(0,nrow=366,ncol=7)
countall[,1] <- newoutputall[,1]
countall[,2:5] <- newoutputall[,6:9]*sym_ratio
# Divided by sym_ratio
for (n in 1:366) {
  countall[n,6] <- (sum(newoutputall[n,6:9]))*sym_ratio
  # Total incidence on a given day
  # Divided by sym_ratio
  countall[n,7] <- (Total_pop - sum(newoutputall[n,2:5]))*sym_ratio
  # Count cumulative incidence
  # i.e. Total population - Total Susceptible population
  # Divided by sym_ratio
}

filename_countall <- paste(experiment, CARlabel, ScenLabel, seed, intervention_length,
"incidence.csv", sep="_")
write.csv(countall, filename_countall)

## CInf stands for cumulative number of infections, i.e. cumulative attack rates
## Divided by 2 (sym_ratio = 0.5): Assumption: 1 in 2 infected persons is asymptomatic

CInf1 <- (S1_entry - S1_end)* sym_ratio
CInf2 <- (S2_entry - S2_end)* sym_ratio
CInf3 <- (S3_entry - S3_end)* sym_ratio
CInf4 <- (S4_entry - S4_end)* sym_ratio
CInf <- CInf1 + CInf2 + CInf3 + CInf4

## Write data file
Data <- matrix(0, nrow=3, ncol=1)
peak <- which.max(countall[,6])
print(sprintf("Peak: Day %s",countall[peak,1]))
Data[1,1] <- countall[peak,1]
print(sprintf("Daily number of new cases at peak time: %s",countall[peak,6]))
Data[2,1] <- countall[peak,6]
Data[3,1] <- CInf
print(CInf)
filename_csv <- paste(experiment,CARlabel,ScenLabel,seed,intervention_length,"data.csv",sep="_")
write.csv(Data, filename_csv)
}
}

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R code 2: “Flu_School_Closure_CID_Data.r”

This R code creates the data summary files. This is optional for our modeling purpose.

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experiment <- 3 ## Type 1 for Main analysis; 3 for Alternative matrix

filename_M1 <- paste(experiment,"_CAR30_P_Baseline_10_28_data.csv", sep = "")
filename_M2 <- paste(experiment,"_CAR30_P_Closure_10_7_data.csv", sep = "")
filename_M3 <- paste(experiment,"_CAR30_P_Closure_10_14_data.csv", sep = "")
filename_M4 <- paste(experiment,"_CAR30_P_Closure_10_21_data.csv", sep = "")
filename_M5 <- paste(experiment,"_CAR30_P_Closure_10_28_data.csv", sep = "")
filename_M6 <- paste(experiment,"_CAR30_P_Closure_10_56_data.csv", sep = "")
filename_M7 <- paste(experiment,"_CAR30_P_Closure_10_84_data.csv", sep = "")
filename_M8 <- paste(experiment,"_CAR30_P_Closure_10_140_data.csv", sep = "")

filename_M9 <- paste(experiment,"_CAR15_P_Baseline_10_28_data.csv", sep = "")
filename_M10 <- paste(experiment,"_CAR15_P_Closure_10_7_data.csv", sep = "")
filename_M11 <- paste(experiment,"_CAR15_P_Closure_10_14_data.csv", sep = "")
filename_M12 <- paste(experiment,"_CAR15_P_Closure_10_21_data.csv", sep = "")
filename_M13 <- paste(experiment,"_CAR15_P_Closure_10_28_data.csv", sep = "")
filename_M14 <- paste(experiment,"_CAR15_P_Closure_10_56_data.csv", sep = "")
filename_M15 <- paste(experiment,"_CAR15_P_Closure_10_84_data.csv", sep = "")
filename_M16 <- paste(experiment,"_CAR15_P_Closure_10_140_data.csv", sep = "")

M1 <- read.csv(filename_M1)
M2 <- read.csv(filename_M2)
M3 <- read.csv(filename_M3)
M4 <- read.csv(filename_M4)
M5 <- read.csv(filename_M5)
M6 <- read.csv(filename_M6)
M7 <- read.csv(filename_M7)
M8 <- read.csv(filename_M8)

M9 <- read.csv(filename_M9)
M10 <- read.csv(filename_M10)
M11 <- read.csv(filename_M11)
M12 <- read.csv(filename_M12)
M13 <- read.csv(filename_M13)
M14 <- read.csv(filename_M14)
M15 <- read.csv(filename_M15)
M16 <- read.csv(filename_M16)

DataMatrix <- matrix(nrow=length(M8[,1]), ncol=16)
DataMatrix[,1] <- M1[,2]
DataMatrix[,2] <- M2[,2]
DataMatrix[,3] <- M3[,2]
DataMatrix[,4] <- M4[,2]
DataMatrix[,5] <- M5[,2]
DataMatrix[,6] <- M6[,2]
DataMatrix[,7] <- M7[,2]
DataMatrix[,8] <- M8[,2]
DataMatrix[,9] <- M9[,2]
DataMatrix[,10] <- M10[,2]
DataMatrix[,11] <- M11[,2]
DataMatrix[,12] <- M12[,2]
DataMatrix[,13] <- M13[,2]
DataMatrix[,14] <- M14[,2]
DataMatrix[,15] <- M15[,2]
DataMatrix[,16] <- M16[,2]

Report <- matrix(nrow=3, ncol=16)
Report[1,] <- DataMatrix[1,]
Report[2,] <- DataMatrix[2,]
Report[3,] <- DataMatrix[3,]

# Write datafile
filename_csv <- paste(experiment,"CAR30_report_data.csv",sep="_")
write.csv(Report[,1:8], filename_csv)
filename_csv2 <- paste(experiment,"CAR15_report_data.csv",sep="_")
write.csv(Report[,9:16], filename_csv2)
```

R code 3: “Flu_School_Closure_CID_Plot.r”

```
## This R code was used to create the figures in the article.

AR <- c("_CAR15")
## Type "_CAR15" for cumulative attack rate 15% scenario
## Type "_CAR30" for cumulative attack rate 30% scenario

## Read the data files
filename_M1 <- paste(experiment,AR,"_P_Baseline_10_28_incidence.csv", sep = "")
filename_M2 <- paste(experiment,AR,"_P_Closure_10_7_incidence.csv", sep = "")
filename_M3 <- paste(experiment,AR,"_P_Closure_10_14_incidence.csv", sep = "")
filename_M4 <- paste(experiment,AR,"_P_Closure_10_21_incidence.csv", sep = "")
filename_M5 <- paste(experiment,AR,"_P_Closure_10_28_incidence.csv", sep = "")
filename_M6 <- paste(experiment,AR,"_P_Closure_10_56_incidence.csv", sep = "")
filename_M7 <- paste(experiment,AR,"_P_Closure_10_84_incidence.csv", sep = "")
filename_M8 <- paste(experiment,AR,"_P_Closure_10_140_incidence.csv", sep = "")
M1 <- read.csv(filename_M1)
M2 <- read.csv(filename_M2)
M3 <- read.csv(filename_M3)
M4 <- read.csv(filename_M4)
M5 <- read.csv(filename_M5)
M6 <- read.csv(filename_M6)
M7 <- read.csv(filename_M7)
M8 <- read.csv(filename_M8)

## Plot the figures
plot(M1[,2],M1[,7],type="l",xlab="Time (days)",ylab="Cases
(Million)",col="black",lwd=3,lty=1,xlim=c(0,365),ylim=c(0,25000000), yaxt='n')
  ## Suppress the default y-axis with yaxt='n'
  lines(M2[,2],M2[,7],type="l",col="green",lwd=3,lty=2)
  lines(M3[,2],M3[,7],type="l",col="light blue",lwd=3,lty=3)
  lines(M4[,2],M4[,7],type="l",col="gold",lwd=3,lty=1)
  lines(M5[,2],M5[,7],type="l",col="red",lwd=3,lty=2)
  lines(M6[,2],M6[,7],type="l",col="blue",lwd=3,lty=3)
  lines(M7[,2],M7[,7],type="l",col="magenta",lwd=3,lty=4)
  lines(M8[,2],M8[,7],type="l",col="grey",lwd=3,lty=5)

## Add the tailor-made y-axis
if (experiment == 1){ axis(2, at = c(0,4000000,10000000,16000000), labels=c("0","4","10","16"))}
if (experiment == 3){ axis(2, at = c(0,3000000,10000000,14000000), labels=c("0","3","10","14"))}

## Add arrows
arrows(summer_break_start,11000000,(summer_break_start+7),11000000,code=3,col=c("green"))
arrows(summer_break_start,10000000,(summer_break_start+14),10000000,code=3,col=c("light
blue"))
arrows(summer_break_start,9000000,(summer_break_start+21),9000000,code=3,col=c("gold"))
arrows(summer_break_start,8000000,(summer_break_start+28),8000000,code=3,col=c("red"))
arrows(summer_break_start,7000000,(summer_break_start+56),7000000,code=3,col=c("blue"))
arrows(summer_break_start,6000000,(summer_break_start+84),6000000,code=3,col=c("magenta"))
arrows(summer_break_start,5000000,(summer_break_start+140),5000000,code=3,col=c("grey"))
arrows(time_of_introduction,5000000,time_of_introduction,0,code=2,col=c("purple"))

## Add legend
legend(0,25000000,c("Baseline","Closure 7d", "Closure 14d","Closure 21d","Closure
28d","Closure 56d","Closure 84d","Closure 140d"), col = c("black","green","light
blue","gold","red","blue","magenta","grey"), lty=c(1,2,3,1,2,3,4,5), lwd = 3, ncol=3)
```

R code 4: “Flu_School_Closure_CID_Difference_eqn.r”

```
#####
## Difference Equation SIR Model for School Closure in an Influenza Pandemic ##
#####
## Corresponding to the Ordinary Differential Equation SIR Model          ##
## for School Closure in an Influenza Pandemic                          ##
#####
## Written by Isaac Chun-Hai FUNG, PhD                                   ##
## June 11, 2013; revised on Sep 12, 2013;                               ##
## edited for publication on Nov 21, 2014                                ##
#####

#####
## Time step ##
#####
for (experiment in 1:4){

  # Time step size for difference equation model
  if (experiment == 1) {Timestep_size <- 1}
  if (experiment == 2) {Timestep_size <- 0.1}
  if (experiment == 3) {Timestep_size <- 0.01}
  if (experiment == 4) {Timestep_size <- 0.001}

  # Duration (days) of simulation
  Simulation_length <- 365

  Total_timesteps <- Simulation_length / Timestep_size

  #####
  ## School closure time frame ##
  #####

  school_close <- 5 / Timestep_size
  school_closure_length <- 28 / Timestep_size
  school_reopen <- school_close + school_closure_length
  print(school_close)
  print(school_reopen)

  #####
  ## Assumption of symptomatic to asymptomatic ratio                    ##
  ## If we want to count all cases (symptomatic and asymptomatic), or    ##
  ## if we assume that all cases are symptomatic, then sym_ratio = 1     ##
  ## If we assume that only 1 in 2 cases are symptomatic, then sym_ratio = 0.5 ##
  ## If we assume that only 1 in 3 cases are symptomatic, then sym_ratio = 0.33 ##
  #####
  sym_ratio <- 0.5

  #####
  ## Transmission matrices ##
  #####
  multiplier <- 0.016487 # CInf == 0.2999887
  CARlabel <- c("CAR30")

  ## Rate of Recovery
  gamma_matrix <- c(0.25,0.25,0.25,0.25)

  #####
  ## School open - matrix ##
  #####
  ## School matrix (term time) obtained from Eames KTD et al. (2012) Measured
  ## Dynamic Social Contact Patterns Explain the Spread of H1N1v Influenza.
  School_matrix <- matrix(nrow = 4, ncol = 4)
  School_matrix[1,] <- c(4.0196, 1.8137, 7.8039, 0.1373)
  School_matrix[2,] <- c(1.4139, 27.6762, 11.1639, 0.9795)
  School_matrix[3,] <- c(0.8472, 3.8457, 14.7942, 1.0078)
  School_matrix[4,] <- c(0.1048, 0.2857, 6.5673, 2.0980)

  Contact_matrix <- matrix(nrow = 4, ncol = 4)
  Contact_matrix <- sqrt(School_matrix*t(School_matrix))
}
```

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# Contact matrix is the square root of A %*% t(A); t(A) is the transpose of A
# A, i.e. Polymod matrix
#           [,1]      [,2]      [,3]      [,4]
# [1,] 4.0196000  1.601371  2.571277  0.1199543
# [2,] 1.6013714 27.676200  6.552329  0.5290020
# [3,] 2.5712767  6.552329 14.794200  2.5726494
# [4,] 0.1199543  0.529002  2.572649  2.0980000

Row_sum <- matrix(nrow=4, ncol=1)
for(i in 1:4){
  Row_sum[i,1]=sum(Contact_matrix[i,1:4])
}
#> Row_sum # Row sums
#           [,1]
# [1,]  8.312202
# [2,] 36.358902
# [3,] 26.490455
# [4,]  5.319606

Mixing_matrix <- matrix(nrow=4, ncol=4)
for (i in 1:4){
  Mixing_matrix[i,1:4]<- Contact_matrix[i,1:4]/Row_sum[i,1]
}
#>   Mixing_matrix
#           [,1]      [,2]      [,3]      [,4]
# [1,] 0.48357821 0.19265308 0.3093376 0.01443111
# [2,] 0.04404345 0.76119460 0.1802125 0.01454945
# [3,] 0.09706427 0.24734678 0.5584729 0.09711609
# [4,] 0.02254948 0.09944384 0.4836166 0.39439013
beta_matrix <- matrix(nrow=4, ncol=4)
for (i in 1:4){
  for (j in 1:4){
    beta_matrix[i,j] <- Row_sum[i,1] * Mixing_matrix[i,j] * multiplier
  }
}
R0_matrix <- matrix(nrow=1, ncol=4)
for (j in 1:4) {
  R0_matrix[,j] <- sum(beta_matrix[,j]) / gamma_matrix[j]
}

#####
## Vacation matrix = school closure matrix ##
#####
Vacation_matrix <- matrix(nrow = 4, ncol = 4)
Vacation_matrix[1,] <- c(6.5227, 1.7500, 7.0227, 0.0909)
Vacation_matrix[2,] <- c(0.9783, 11.5761, 11.7174, 0.5761)
Vacation_matrix[3,] <- c(1.3087, 2.2781, 14.9680, 1.0525)
Vacation_matrix[4,] <- c(0.1442, 0.4279, 5.6512, 1.4326)

Vacation_Contact_matrix <- matrix(nrow = 4, ncol = 4)
Vacation_Contact_matrix <- sqrt(Vacation_matrix*t(Vacation_matrix))
# > Vacation_Contact_matrix
#           [,1]      [,2]      [,3]      [,4]
# [1,] 6.5227000  1.3084437  3.031601 0.1144892
# [2,] 1.3084437 11.5761000  5.166566 0.4965009
# [3,] 3.0316015  5.1665665 14.968000 2.4388292
# [4,] 0.1144892  0.4965009  2.438829 1.4326000

Vacation_Row_sum <- matrix(nrow=4, ncol=1)
for(i in 1:4){
  Vacation_Row_sum[i,1]=sum(Vacation_Contact_matrix[i,1:4])
}
# > Vacation_Row_sum
#           [,1]
# [1,] 10.977234
# [2,] 18.547611
# [3,] 25.604997
# [4,]  4.482419

Vacation_Mixing_matrix <- matrix(nrow=4, ncol=4)
for (i in 1:4){

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    Vacation_Mixing_matrix[i,1:4] <- Vacation_Contact_matrix[i,1:4]/Vacation_Row_sum[i,1]
  }
  # > Vacation_Mixing_matrix
  #      [,1]      [,2]      [,3]      [,4]
# [1,] 0.59420249 0.1191961 0.2761717 0.01042970
# [2,] 0.07054514 0.6241289 0.2785570 0.02676900
# [3,] 0.11839882 0.2017796 0.5845734 0.09524817
# [4,] 0.02554183 0.1107663 0.5440877 0.31960419

Vacation_beta_matrix <- matrix(nrow=4, ncol=4)
for (i in 1:4){
  for (j in 1:4){
    Vacation_beta_matrix[i,j] <- Vacation_Row_sum[i,1] * Vacation_Mixing_matrix[i,j] *
multiplier
  }
}
Vacation_R0_matrix <- matrix(nrow = 1, ncol = 4)
for (j in 1:4) {
  Vacation_R0_matrix[,j] <- sum(Vacation_beta_matrix[,j]) / gamma_matrix[j]
}

#####
## Equations ##
#####

## These are the difference equations which describe an S-I-R model
## comprising children and adults as separated groups
## Group 1: Age 0 - 4 years
## Group 2: Age 5 - 19 years
## Group 3: Age 20 - 64 years
## Group 4: Age 65+ years

Total_pop <- 310000000 ## Approximation of total US population
Pop1 <- 0.06440 * Total_pop ## Proportion of Group 1 in the population (0-4)
Pop2 <- 0.20204 * Total_pop ## Proportion of Group 2 in the population (5-19)
Pop3 <- 0.60074 * Total_pop ## Proportion of Group 3 in the population (20-64)
Pop4 <- 0.13282 * Total_pop ## Proportion of Group 4 in the population (64+)

## Initial number of infected people coming from overseas
seed = 10

## Create a matrix for the variables
y <- matrix(nrow = Total_timesteps+1, ncol = 13)

## Initial proportion of susceptible, infected and recovered populations
## by Group (1, 2, 3, and 4)
y_initial <- matrix(0,1,13)
y_initial[1,1:13] <- c(0,Pop1,Pop2,Pop3,Pop4,0,0,seed,0,0,0,0,0)
## Assumption: the infected person ("seed") is a working adult (Group 3)

y[1,] <- y_initial[1,]
S1 <- y[1,2]
S2 <- y[1,3]
S3 <- y[1,4]
S4 <- y[1,5]
I1 <- y[1,6]
I2 <- y[1,7]
I3 <- y[1,8]
I4 <- y[1,9]
R1 <- y[1,10]
R2 <- y[1,11]
R3 <- y[1,12]
R4 <- y[1,13]

N1 <- 0.06440 * Total_pop
N2 <- 0.20204 * Total_pop
N3 <- 0.60074 * Total_pop
N4 <- 0.13282 * Total_pop

gamma1 = gamma_matrix[1]
gamma2 = gamma_matrix[2]

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gamma3 = gamma_matrix[3]
gamma4 = gamma_matrix[4]

b <- beta_matrix

for (timestep in 1:Total_timesteps){

  ## Apply the appropriate beta matrix at the right time
  if (timestep >= school_close && timestep < school_reopen) { b <- Vacation_beta_matrix }
  else { b <- beta_matrix }

  ## These are the equations for the S-I-R model
  ## Susceptible populations
  S1_update = S1 - Timestep_size * (b[1,1]*S1*(I1/N1) + b[1,2]*S1*(I2/N2) +
b[1,3]*S1*(I3/N3) + b[1,4]*S1*(I4/N4))
  S2_update = S2 - Timestep_size * (b[2,1]*S2*(I1/N1) + b[2,2]*S2*(I2/N2) +
b[2,3]*S2*(I3/N3) + b[2,4]*S2*(I4/N4))
  S3_update = S3 - Timestep_size * (b[3,1]*S3*(I1/N1) + b[3,2]*S3*(I2/N2) +
b[3,3]*S3*(I3/N3) + b[3,4]*S3*(I4/N4))
  S4_update = S4 - Timestep_size * (b[4,1]*S4*(I1/N1) + b[4,2]*S4*(I2/N2) +
b[4,3]*S4*(I3/N3) + b[4,4]*S4*(I4/N4))

  ## Infected(Infected) populations
  I1_update = I1 + Timestep_size * (b[1,1]*S1*(I1/N1) + b[1,2]*S1*(I2/N2) +
b[1,3]*S1*(I3/N3) + b[1,4]*S1*(I4/N4) - gamma1*I1)
  I2_update = I2 + Timestep_size * (b[2,1]*S2*(I1/N1) + b[2,2]*S2*(I2/N2) +
b[2,3]*S2*(I3/N3) + b[2,4]*S2*(I4/N4) - gamma2*I2)
  I3_update = I3 + Timestep_size * (b[3,1]*S3*(I1/N1) + b[3,2]*S3*(I2/N2) +
b[3,3]*S3*(I3/N3) + b[3,4]*S3*(I4/N4) - gamma3*I3)
  I4_update = I4 + Timestep_size * (b[4,1]*S4*(I1/N1) + b[4,2]*S4*(I2/N2) +
b[4,3]*S4*(I3/N3) + b[4,4]*S4*(I4/N4) - gamma4*I4)

  ## Recovered populations
  R1_update = R1 + Timestep_size * gamma1 * I1
  R2_update = R2 + Timestep_size * gamma2 * I2
  R3_update = R3 + Timestep_size * gamma3 * I3
  R4_update = R4 + Timestep_size * gamma4 * I4

  ## Update the matrix
  y[timestep+1,1]<- y[timestep,1] + Timestep_size

  y[timestep+1,2]<- S1_update;
  y[timestep+1,3]<- S2_update;
  y[timestep+1,4]<- S3_update;
  y[timestep+1,5]<- S4_update;    # Susceptible

  y[timestep+1,6]<- I1_update;
  y[timestep+1,7]<- I2_update;
  y[timestep+1,8]<- I3_update;
  y[timestep+1,9]<- I4_update;    # Infected (Infectious)

  y[timestep+1,10]<- R1_update;
  y[timestep+1,11]<- R2_update;
  y[timestep+1,12]<- R3_update;
  y[timestep+1,13]<- R4_update;    # Recovered

  ## Update the state variable for the next time step
  S1 <- S1_update;
  S2 <- S2_update;
  S3 <- S3_update;
  S4 <- S4_update;    # Susceptible

  I1 <- I1_update;
  I2 <- I2_update;
  I3 <- I3_update;
  I4 <- I4_update;    # Infected (Infectious)

  R1 <- R1_update;
  R2 <- R2_update;
  R3 <- R3_update;
  R4 <- R4_update;    # Recovered

```

```

    }
newoutputall <- y

newmatrix <- matrix(ncol = 2, nrow = length(newoutputall[,1]) )
newmatrix[,1] <- y[,1]
for (n in 1:length(newoutputall[,1])){
  newmatrix[n,2] <- sum(newoutputall[n,6:9])*sym_ratio
}

## Plot figures
plot(newmatrix[,1], newmatrix[,2], type="l", xlab="Time (days)", ylab="Cases (million)",
col="red", lwd=3, lty=1, xlim=c(0,100), ylim=c(0,15000000), yaxt='n')

## Add y-axis, arrows and text
axis(2, at = c(0,13000000), labels=c("0","13"))
arrows(0,5000000,0,0,code=2,col=c("black"))
arrows(5,8000000,5,0,code=2,col=c("dark grey"))
arrows(5,8000000,(5+28),8000000,code=2,col=c("dark grey"))
text(10,6000000, "outbreak begins")
text(18,9000000,"school closure (28d)")
print(max(newmatrix[,2]))
}

```