Jewell Approach

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The overall goal is to use active surveillance to target high-risk households, which is thought to be more efficient than random targeting. However, it is unclear whether this would be more efficient than treating houses around an infected house. Below I have summarized the approach along with questions that remain.

1. Data needed

- Covariate data
 - location
- Observed data
 - detection of bugs at time points $(N(t)_i)$
 - spray time of houses $(R(t)_i)$
- Unobserved data
 - infection times of notified houses $(I(t)_i)$
 - infected houses that are not yet detected

*we also have known uninfected: In their model, S is unobserved but in ours it is partially observed

Houses are either

- Susceptible (S): not infected (partially observed)
- Infected (I): infected (unobserved)
- Notified (N): known infected (observed)
- Recovered (R): known treated (observed)

Transmission rate between infected i and susceptible j and observed (notified) i and susceptible j:

$$\beta_{ij} = \begin{cases} \text{hop rate } \lambda * (1 - \phi) & \text{if } \rho_{ij} < C \\ \text{jump rate } \lambda * \phi & \text{if } \rho_{ij} > C \end{cases}$$

where λ is the number of dispersal events per house, and ϕ is the proportion of jumps. For now, we assume C=30 meters. We can use estimates from the synethic likelihood approach: $\phi=0.188$ and $\lambda=0.0102$ (invasions per occupied house per week).

where ρ_{ij} is the distance between houses i and j in meters.

They include time-dependent infectivity function $h(\cdot)$ describing how the infectivity increases as the length of infection increases. Let $K_i(t)$ be the number of bugs observed in the ith house at time t. I think it makes sense to think of $h(\frac{K_i(t)}{max(K_i(t)}))$, with the outcoming ranging from 0 to 1 (fractions of max infectivity of 1).

There are several models used to estimate population growth rates:

• Ricker model:

$$N_{t+1} = N_t * exp(r(1 - \frac{N_t}{k}))$$

where r is the intrinsic growth rate and k is the carrying capacity.

• Hassell model:

$$N_{t+1} = \frac{a * N_t}{(1 + b * N_t)^c}$$

• Beverton-Holt model:

$$N_{t+1} = \frac{a * N_t}{1 + b * N_t}$$

This is the same as the Hassell model with c = 1.

Thus, total infection pressure becomes

$$\tau_j = \beta_0 + \sum_{I_i < I_j < R_i} \beta_{ij} \cdot h(I_j - I_i)$$

2. Likelihood

Rate of notification conditional on an infection is $F_D(d) = ???$ f_D is the distribution of $D_i = N_i - I_i$.

In homogenous mixing Markov model, $f_d \sim exp(\lambda)$. $F_D(d) = \int_d^\infty f_D(y) dy$ (as far as my understanding – this should be the cdf but seems to be 1- cdf). Jewell uses a variation of the exponential distribution. In our case, this is some function of the number of bugs and time of notification.

$$f(D_i) = f(\# \text{ bugs observed at } N_i)$$

$$f(\mathbf{I}, \theta | \mathbf{N}, \mathbf{R}) = \prod_{j=1, j \neq k}^{[\mathbf{I}]} \left(\tau_j(I_j^-) \right) exp \left(- \int_{I_k}^{T_{obs}} \left(\sum_{j=1, j \neq k}^{[\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{T_{obs}})]} \tau_j(t) \right) dt \right)$$

$$\times \prod_{j=1}^m f_D(N_j - I_j) \times \prod_{j=m+1}^{[\mathbf{I}]} \left(1 - F_D(T_j - I_j) \right) \times prior$$

where

$$T_j = \begin{cases} T_{obs} & \text{if j is currently presumed susceptible but is unknowingly infected} \\ C_j & \text{if j is sprayed before infestation status is known} \end{cases}$$

k = initial infection (the likelihood is conditional on index case). We don't know the index case, so how do we handle? Either epicenter regression or use 2010 data as index cases. I haven't seen a situation with multiple first cases, so not sure if second option would work.

What about prior? The Jewell paper uses Gamma prior for θ . Synthetic likelihood results for informative prior?

We are interested in R_i . Define R_i as the expected number of further premises a premises i would infect were it the index infection in a hypothetical infection where all other houses started as susceptibles, conditional on all parameters.

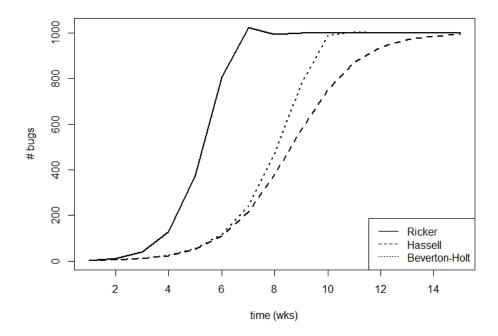


Figure 1: Models when k = 1 and r = 1.23 (estimated from Rabinovich, 1972)