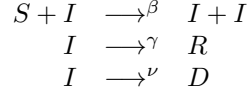


1 Pandemic Modeling - SIRD model

- $S(t)$: # susceptible of contracting the infection at time t ;
- $I(t)$: # infected at time t ;
- $R(t)$: # recovered from the disease up to time t ;
- $D(t)$: the cumulative # that died due to disease up to time t .
- $\bar{I}(t)$: # of reported infected at time t ; ($\bar{S}(t)$, $\bar{R}(t)$, and $\bar{D}(t)$ are similar)
- P is the total population (assumed to be a constant)
- ω : the percentage of the population that is capable of infection to the disease.
- q is the fraction of the population that is susceptible (assumed to be a constant)

The interactions can be represented schematically as



1.1 Continuous Time Model

Time t is a continuous variable. The differential equation model is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{S} &= -\beta \frac{SI}{S+I} \\ \dot{I} &= \beta \frac{SI}{S+I} - \gamma I - \nu I \\ \dot{R} &= \gamma I \\ \dot{D} &= \nu I \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \omega \leq 1 \\ \alpha &\geq 1 \\ S &= \omega Pop - I - R - D \\ S &= \alpha \bar{S} \\ I &= \alpha \bar{I} \\ R &= \alpha \bar{R} \\ D &= \alpha \bar{D} \\ \alpha \bar{S} &= \omega Pop - \alpha \bar{I} + \alpha \bar{R} + \alpha \bar{D} \\ \bar{S} &= \frac{\omega}{\alpha} Pop - \bar{I} + \bar{R} + \bar{D} \\ q &= \frac{\omega}{\alpha} \\ \bar{S} &= q Pop - \bar{I} + \bar{R} + \bar{D} \end{aligned}$$

The ordinary differential equations part we can rewrite.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{S} \\ \dot{I} \\ \dot{R} \\ \dot{D} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{SI}{S+I} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{SI}{S+I} & -I & -I \\ 0 & I & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \beta \\ \gamma \\ \nu \end{bmatrix}$$

It should be clear that the matrix can be solved using actual (S, I, R, D) or reported $(\bar{S}, \bar{I}, \bar{R}, \bar{D})$ numbers. For the remainder of this paper S, I, R, D will be used as a proxy for $\bar{S}, \bar{I}, \bar{R}, \bar{D}$.

Let's denote $\mathbf{x}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} S(t) \\ I(t) \\ R(t) \\ D(t) \end{bmatrix}$ (the state), $\boldsymbol{\theta} = \begin{bmatrix} \beta \\ \gamma \\ \nu \end{bmatrix}$ (the parameters of the model) and $\Phi = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{SI}{S+I} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{SI}{S+I} & -I & -I \\ 0 & I & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & I \end{bmatrix}$ (the dynamics). Then (1) is rewritten as

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \Phi(t; q) \boldsymbol{\theta} \tag{2}$$

subject to $qPop = S + I + R + D$.

1.2 Discrete Time Model

Time t is a discrete variable (i.e., 1,2,3,4...).^f The difference version of (2) is given by

$$\Delta \mathbf{x}(t) = \Phi(t; q) \boldsymbol{\theta} \quad (3)$$

where $\Delta \mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{x}(t+1) - \mathbf{x}(t)$ and subject to $qP = S + I + R + D$. Note that the parameters $\boldsymbol{\omega}$ are different from the parameters of the continuous model.

$$\begin{bmatrix} S(t+1) - S(t) \\ I(t+1) - I(t) \\ R(t+1) - R(t) \\ D(t+1) - D(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{S(t)I(t)}{S(t)+I(t)} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{S(t)I(t)}{S(t)+I(t)} & -I(t) & -I(t) \\ 0 & I(t) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & I(t) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \beta \\ \gamma \\ \nu \end{bmatrix}$$

If β , γ , and ν are functions of time instead of constants, the discrete time model can be written as

$$\begin{bmatrix} S(t+1) - S(t) \\ I(t+1) - I(t) \\ R(t+1) - R(t) \\ D(t+1) - D(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{S(t)I(t)}{S(t)+I(t)} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{S(t)I(t)}{S(t)+I(t)} & -I(t) & -I(t) \\ 0 & I(t) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & I(t) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \beta(t) \\ \gamma(t) \\ \nu(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

Then for each t , $\beta(t)$, $\gamma(t)$, and $\nu(t)$ can be solved by the Moore-Penrose pseudoinverse $\theta(t) = \Phi^\dagger(t; q) \Delta \mathbf{x}(t)$.

1.3 Parameter Estimation of the Discrete Time Model using Basis Functions

For a given q and each $t = 0, 1, 2, \dots, T$

- data available - for $t = 0, 1, 2, \dots, T$ we have $I(t), R(t), D(t)$.
- $S(t) = qP - I(t) - R(t) - D(t)$
- compute $\Delta \mathbf{x}(t)$ and $\Phi(t; q)$

For each $t > 0$, and a forgetting factor $w \in (0, 1]$ (used $w = 0.9$ and $w = 0.7$)

- build

$$\mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{w^{T-1}} \Delta \mathbf{x}(1) \\ \sqrt{w^{T-2}} \Delta \mathbf{x}(2) \\ \vdots \\ \sqrt{w^{T-t}} \Delta \mathbf{x}(t) \\ \vdots \\ \Delta \mathbf{x}(T) \end{bmatrix}$$

- build

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{w^{T-1}} \Phi(1; q) \\ \sqrt{w^{T-2}} \Phi(2; q) \\ \vdots \\ \sqrt{w^{T-t}} \Phi(t; q) \\ \vdots \\ \Phi(T; q) \end{bmatrix}$$

- minimize the cost function

$$\min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} f(q, \boldsymbol{\theta}) = \min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \frac{1}{T} \|\mathbf{y} - A\boldsymbol{\theta}\|_2^2 + \lambda \|\boldsymbol{\theta}\|_1 \quad (4)$$

with $\lambda = 10$.

Note that

$$\frac{1}{T} \|\mathbf{y} - A\boldsymbol{\theta}\|_2^2 = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T w^{T-t} \|\Delta \mathbf{x}(t) - \Phi(t; q) \boldsymbol{\theta}\|_2^2$$

captures how much each measurement $\Delta \mathbf{x}(t)$ differs from the prediction $\Phi(t; q) \boldsymbol{\theta}$ (if we were to use the parameters $\boldsymbol{\theta}$) by having the most recent measurements worth more; $\lambda \|\boldsymbol{\theta}\|_1$ is a regularization term on the parameters.

Equation (4) can be solved in python using

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from sklearn import linear_model
clf = linear_model.Lasso(alpha=lambda/2, fit_intercept=false, positive=true)
clf.fit(A, y)
print(clf.coef_)

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1.4 Model with Time Varying Parameters

The parameters β, γ, ν are time varying. Let represent them as a linear combination of basis functions. Let $\{b_i(t)\}$, $\{g_i(t)\}$, $\{m_i(t)\}$ be three sets of basis functions and define

$$\begin{aligned}
B(t) &= [b_1(t), \dots, b_{n_1}(t)] \\
\beta &= [\beta_1, \dots, \beta_{n_1}] \\
G(t) &= [g_1(t), \dots, g_{n_2}(t)] \\
\gamma &= [\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_{n_2}] \\
M(t) &= [m_1(t), \dots, m_{n_3}(t)] \\
\nu &= [\nu_1, \dots, \nu_{n_3}]
\end{aligned}$$

then (3) can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned}
\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{S} \\ \dot{I} \\ \dot{R} \\ \dot{D} \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} -b_1 \frac{SI}{S+I} & \dots & -b_{n_1} \frac{SI}{S+I} & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ b_1 \frac{SI}{S+I} & \dots & b_{n_1} \frac{SI}{S+I} & -g_1 I & \dots & -g_{n_2} I & -m_1 I & \dots & -m_{n_3} I \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & g_1 I & \dots & g_{n_2} I & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & m_1 I & \dots & m_{n_3} I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_{n_1} \\ \gamma_1 \\ \vdots \\ \gamma_{n_2} \\ \nu_1 \\ \vdots \\ \nu_{n_3} \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} -B \frac{SI}{S+I} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ B \frac{SI}{S+I} & -GI & -MI \\ \mathbf{0} & GI & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & MI \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \beta \\ \gamma \\ \nu \end{bmatrix} \\
\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) &= \Phi(t)\theta
\end{aligned}$$

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- $S(t) = qP - I(t) - R(t) - D(t)$
- Pick the basis functions b_i, g_i, m_i and the number of the basis functions used n_1, n_2, n_3 in approximating $\beta(t), \gamma(t)$ and $\nu(t)$ respectively
- compute $\Delta \mathbf{x}(t)$ and $\Phi(t; q)$

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- minimize the cost function

$$\min_{\theta} f(q, \theta) = \min_{\theta} \frac{1}{T} \|\mathbf{y} - A\theta\|_2^2 + \lambda \|\theta\|_1 \quad (6)$$

with $\lambda = 10$.

Note that

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1.5 Model with Time Varying Parameters

Using basis functions $\beta(t)$, $\gamma(t)$, and $\nu(t)$ should be determined as well as $\Phi(t; q)$, I , R , and D known from the reported data, and S determined from the chosen value of q . Then future values can be approximated

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq t \leq T_p \\ 0 &\leq T \leq T_p \end{aligned}$$

Then for all t in range $T+1, T+2, \dots, T_p$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}(t+1) &= \Delta \mathbf{x}(t) + \mathbf{x}(t) \\ \mathbf{x}(t+1) &= \Phi(q; t) \theta(T) + \mathbf{x}(t) \end{aligned}$$

To normalize the prediction a similar method can be used. Let $p(t, t_0)$ be the predicted model state at time t using parameters from time t_0 .

$$p(t, t_0) = \Phi(q; t-1) \theta(t_0) + \mathbf{x}(t-1)$$

For all t in range $T+1, T+2, \dots, T_p$

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = \frac{1}{2^T} p(t, 0) + \sum_{\tau=1}^T \frac{p(t, \tau)}{2^{T-\tau+1}}$$

In practice this can be solved by

For all t in range $T + 1, T + 2, \dots, T_p$

$$x(t) = p(t, 0)$$

For all τ in range $1, 2, 3, \dots, T$

$$x(t) \leftarrow \frac{1}{2}x(t) + \frac{1}{2}p(t, \tau)$$