

On the exact analysis of stochastic epidemic processes on networks

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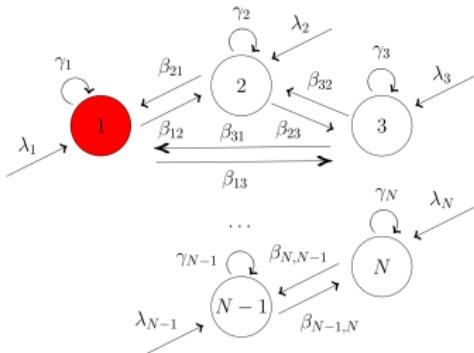
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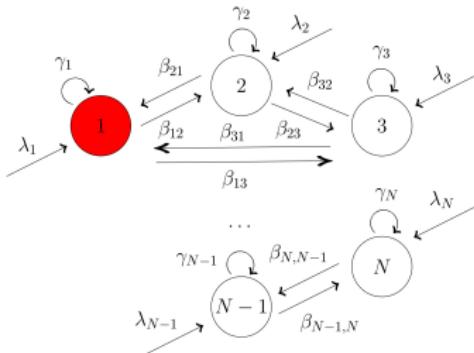
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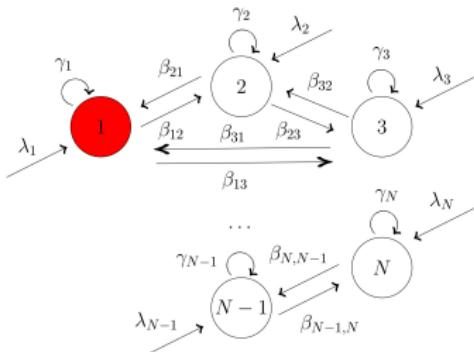
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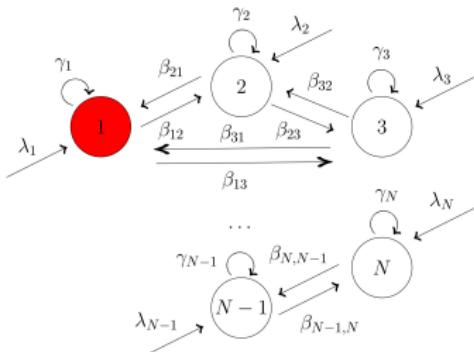
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$$x \in \mathcal{S} \Rightarrow x = (0, 1, 0, 2, 2, 1, \dots, 1, 0)$$

We can *order* the space of states in different manners:

- Option 1: Lexicographically:

$$(0, 0, \dots, 0, 0, 0)$$

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which does not seem to provide a convenient structure for analysing the stochastic descriptors of interest (Van Mieghem et al. (2009)).

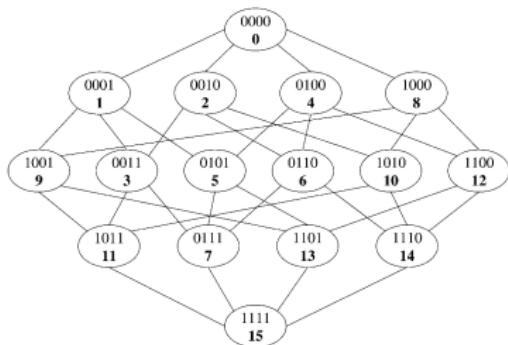


Fig. 1. State diagram in a graph with $N = 4$ nodes and the binary numbering of the states.

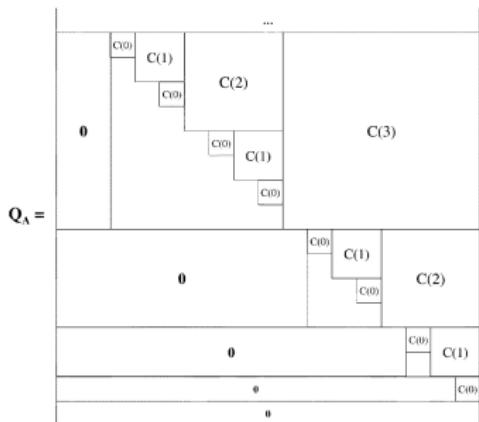


Fig. 3. Upper triangular part Q_A of Q .

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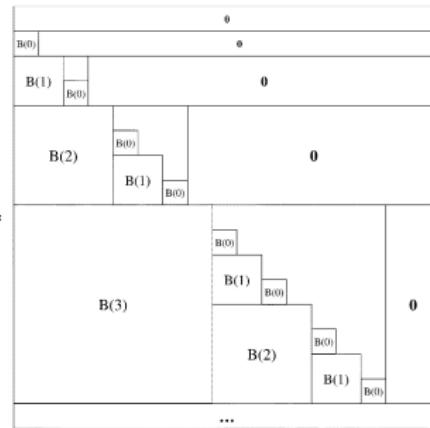


Fig. 2. Lower triangular part Q_δ of the infinitesimal generator Q .

$$Q = Q_\delta + Q_A + Q_{\text{diag}}$$

$$Q_{\text{diag}} = \text{diag}(q_{00}, q_{11}, \dots, q_{2^N-1, 2^N-1})$$

- Option 2: To order the states according the number of susceptible, infected or recovered individuals within each state (Simon et al (2011), Economou et al (2015)):

$$\mathcal{S} = \bigcup_{r=0}^N L(r), \quad L(r) = \bigcup_{i=0}^{N-r} I(r; i),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} L(r) &= \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{S} : \text{recovered individuals} = r\}, \\ I(r; i) &= \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{S} : \text{recovered individuals} = r, \text{infected individuals} = i\}. \end{aligned}$$

For example, for $N = 4$, $r = 2$, $i = 1$:

$$I^{(4)}(2; 1) = \{(2, 2, 1, 0), (2, 2, 0, 1), (2, 1, 2, 0), (2, 0, 2, 1), \dots\}$$

Then,

$$\#I(r; i) = \frac{N!}{r! i! (N - r - i)!}, \text{ and } \#L(r) = \sum_{i=0}^{N-r} J(r; i) = \frac{N!}{r! (N - r)!},$$

Given the previous order of states by levels and sub-levels, the infinitesimal generator corresponds to a very particular level-dependent Quasi-birth-and-death (QBD) process:

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Ordered States

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Ordering states within sub-levels

- **Order A:** (Economou et al. (2015)) By an algorithm working as a black-box:

- To translate states of $\mathcal{S}^{(N)} = \{S, I, R\}^N$ into states of $\{0, 1, 2\}^N$ with $S \equiv 0$, $I \equiv 1$ and $R \equiv 2$.
- To order states within $I^{(N)}(r; i)$ in a lexicographical manner.
- To turn over states $(x_1, \dots, x_N) \in I^{(N)}(r; i) \rightarrow (x_N, \dots, x_1) \in I^{(N)}(r; i)$.
- To translate again states of $\{0, 1, 2\}^N$ into states of $\mathcal{S}^{(N)} = \{S, I, R\}^N$.

$$I^{(4)}(2; 1)$$

Unordered States

(R, R, I, S)	$(2, 2, 1, 0)$	$(0, 1, 2, 2)$	$(2, 2, 1, 0)$	(R, R, I, S)
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(R, I, R, S)	$(2, 1, 2, 0)$	$(0, 2, 2, 1)$	$(1, 2, 2, 0)$	(I, R, R, S)
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0	0 ... 0	1	...	1	1	2	2	...	2	2
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Analysing Population Stochastic Descriptors

- Length and size of an outbreak:
- Maximum number of simultaneously infected individuals during the outbreak:

I_x^{max} = “Maximum number of individuals simultaneously infected during the outbreak, given that the current state of \mathcal{X} is x ”,

T_x^I = “Time until reaching an exact number I of individuals simultaneously infected during the outbreak, given that the current state of \mathcal{X} is x ”.

We work with the Laplace-Stieltjes transforms of T_x^I ,

$$\varphi_x(I; z) = E \left[e^{-zT_x^I} 1_{\{T_x^I < \infty\}} \right], \quad \Re(z) \geq 0,$$

the probability mass function of the peak of infection, I_x^{max} , can be computed in terms of $\mathbb{P}(I_x^{max} \geq I) = \varphi_x(I; 0)$. Moreover, the restricted I th order moments

$$n_x^{(I)}(I) = E \left[(T_x^I)^I 1_{\{T_x^I < \infty\}} \right] = \frac{d^I}{dz^I} \varphi_x(I; z) \Big|_{z=0}, \quad I \geq 1, \quad x \in \mathcal{C},$$

allow us to analyse the speed at which this peak of infection is reached.

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where

- $S(x)$ and $I(x)$ are the sub-sets of individuals susceptible and infected, respectively, according to x .
- $I_j(x)$ and $R_j(x)$ are new states obtained from x by replacing x_j by I and R , respectively, for any $j \in \{1, \dots, N\}$.

Moments are obtained by successive differentiation of previous expression:

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Order A

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PART 1

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The objective

Stochastic descriptors:

- Population descriptors:
 - ① *Length and size of the outbreak*
 - ② *Maximum number of individuals simultaneously infected during the outbreak*
- Individual descriptors:
 - ③ *Probability of node i being infected, and infection type*
 - ④ *Exact reproduction number of each node.*

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Spread of MRSA in Intensive Care Units

Spread of the nosocomial pathogen *Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus Aureus* (MRSA) among the patients within an intensive care unit (ICU).

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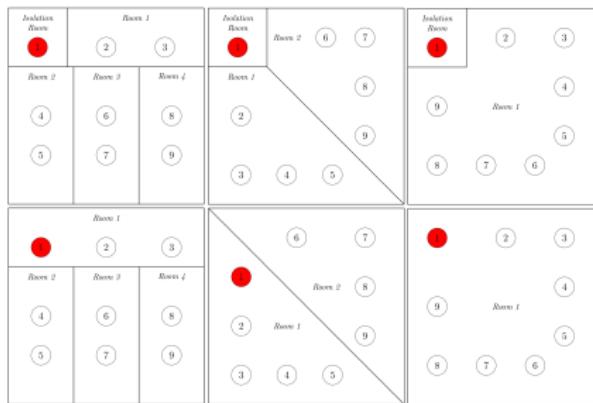
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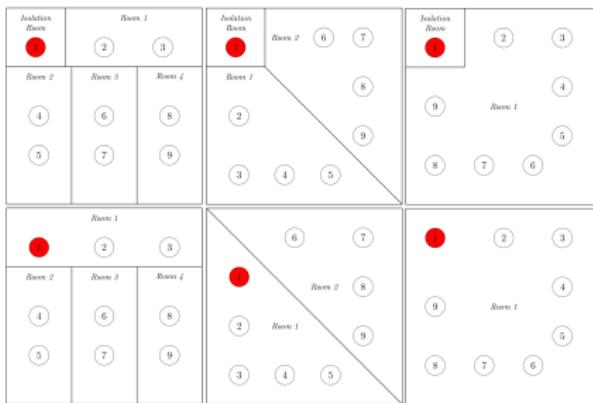
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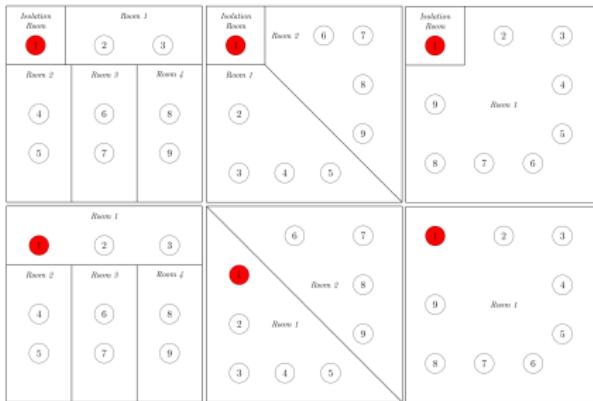
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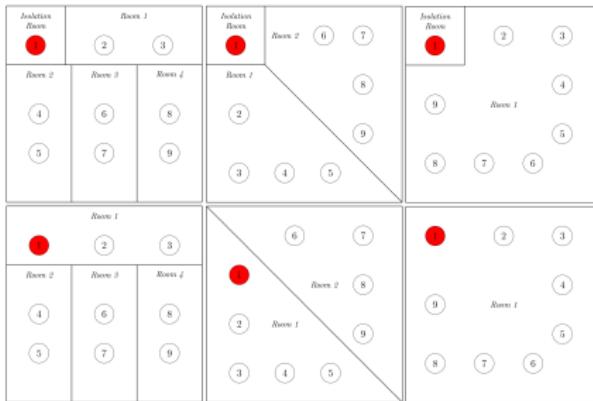
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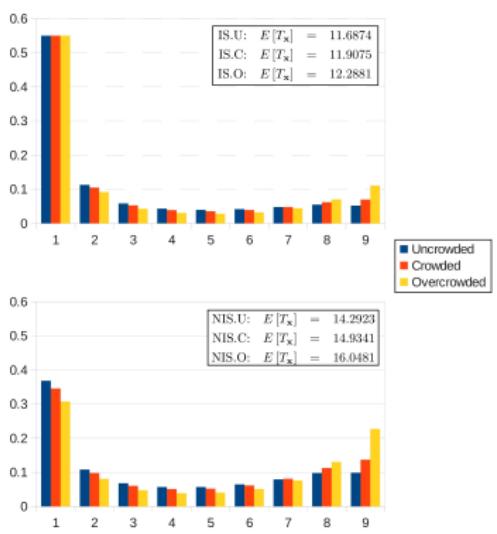


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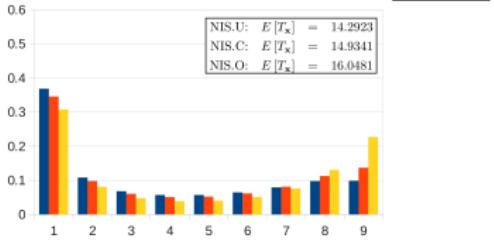
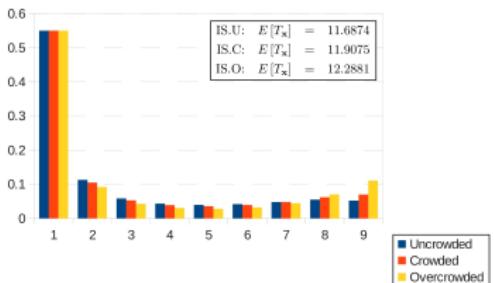
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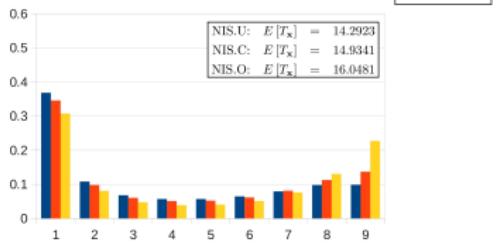
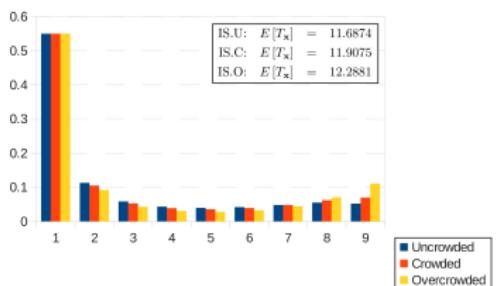
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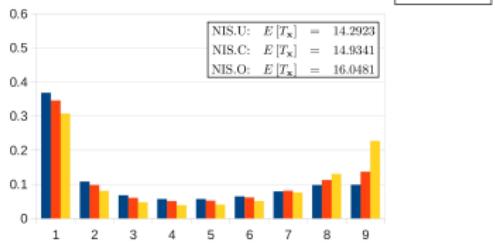
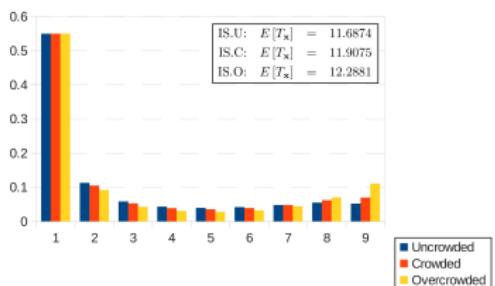
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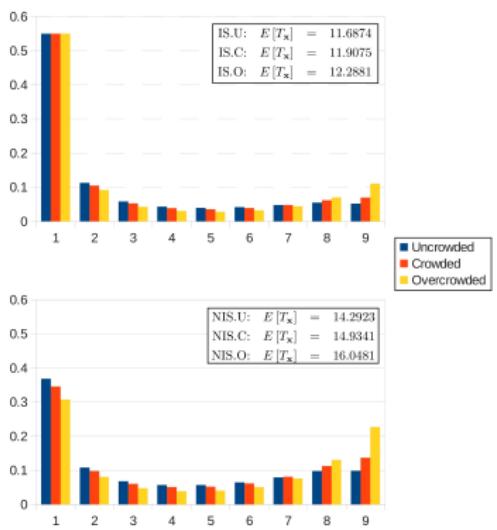


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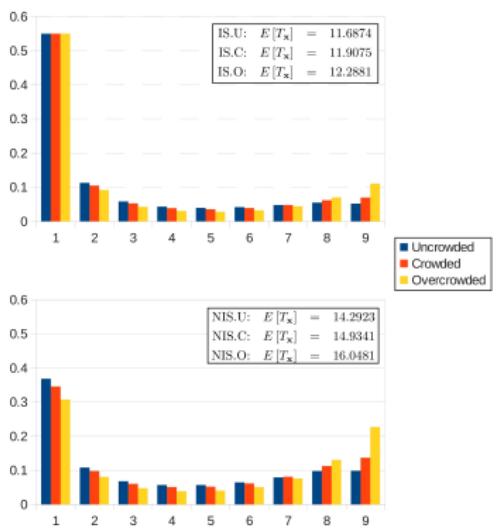


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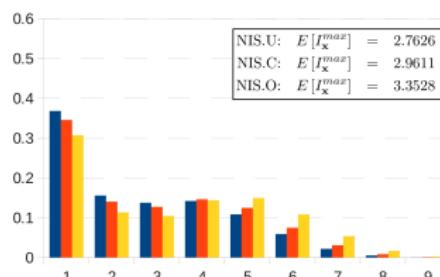
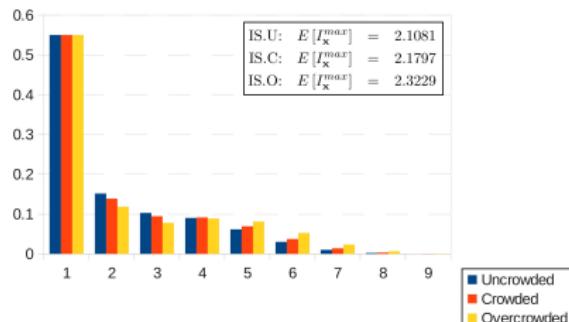
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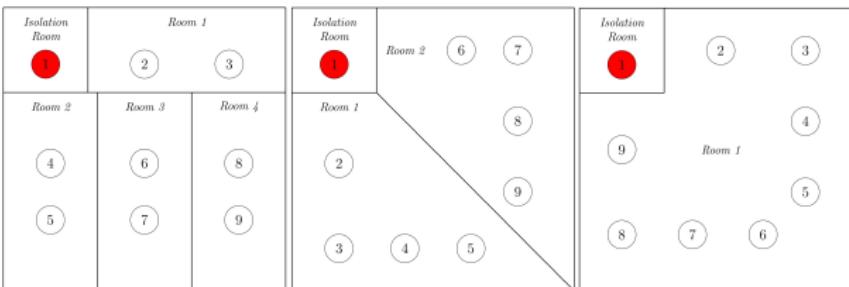
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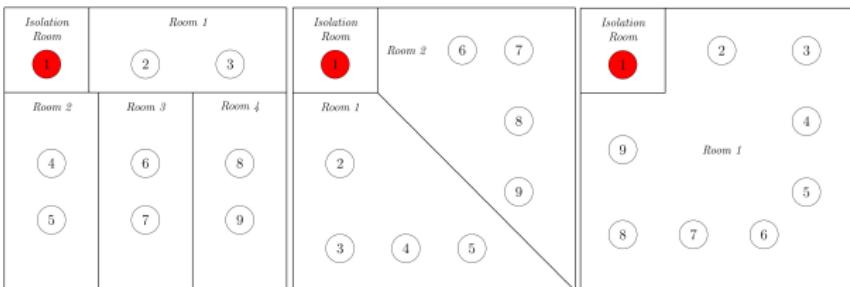
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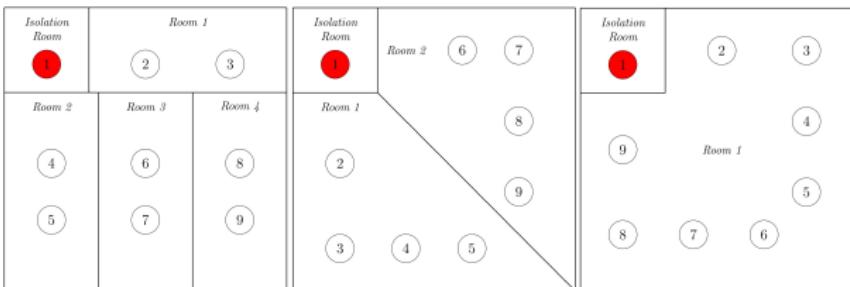
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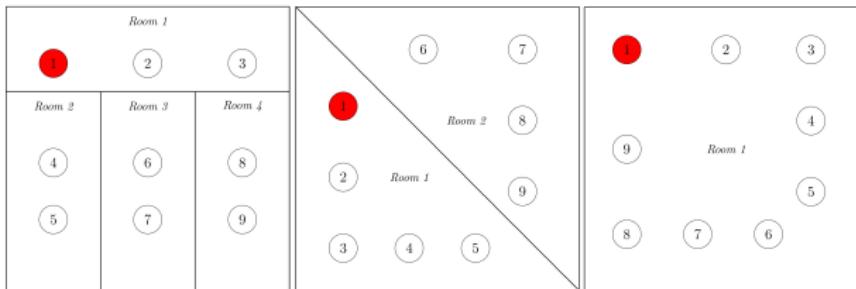
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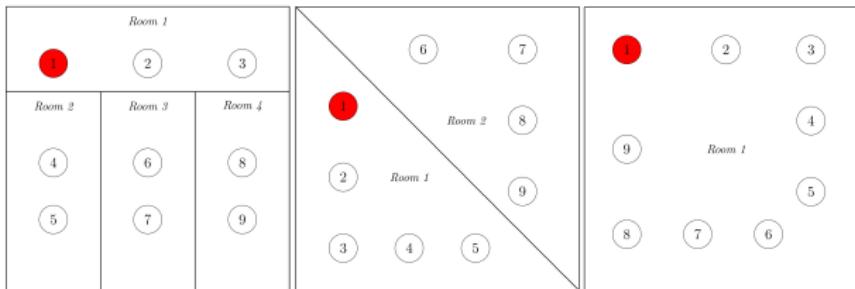
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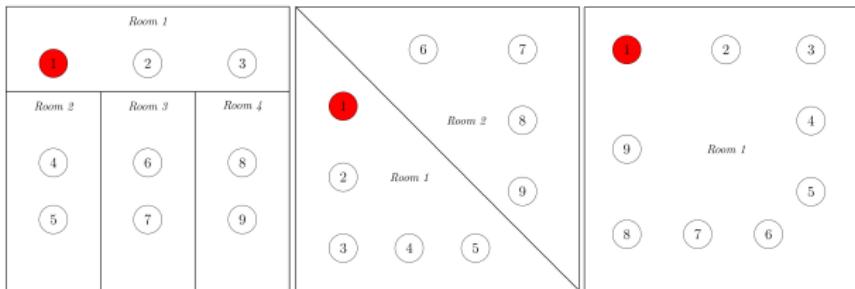
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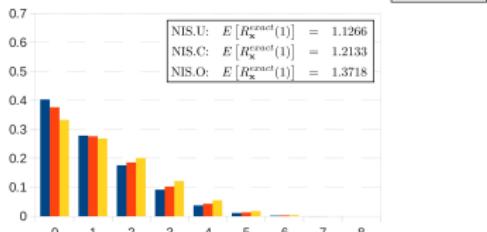
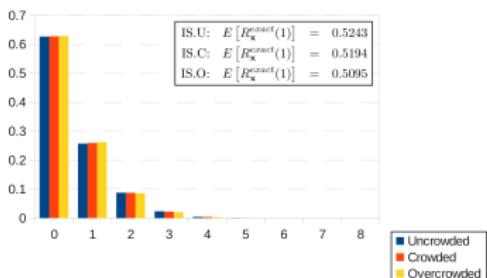
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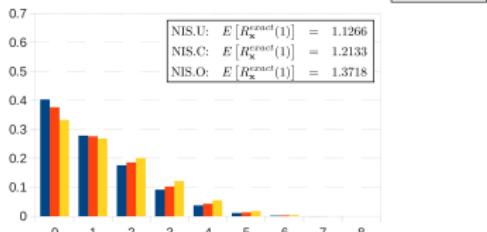
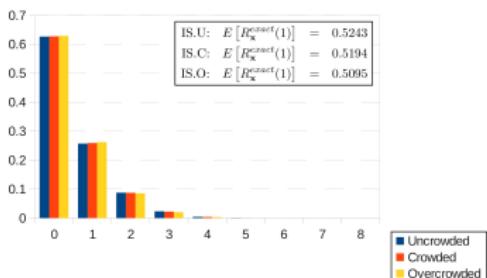


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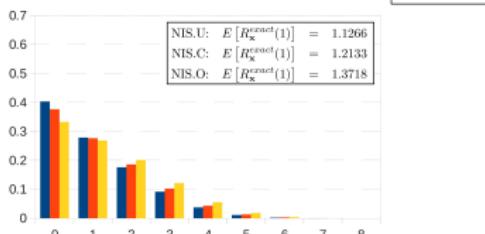
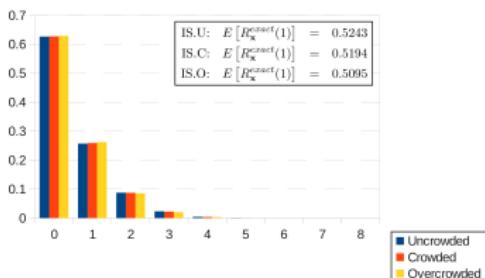
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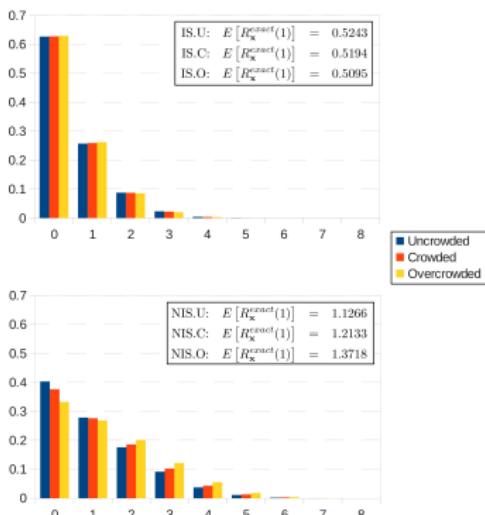
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Table: Computational comparison (time, in *seconds*, and memory usage, in *megabytes*) between Algorithm 1S and 1M. Homogeneous population with N individuals. $\lambda_i = 1$, $\gamma_i = 3$ for all $i \in \mathcal{N}$, $\beta_{ij} = 2$ for all $(i,j) \in \mathcal{L}$

		N	4	5	6	7	8
$E \left[I_{(I,S,S,\dots,S)}^{\max} \right]$			2.5090	3.1029	3.7490	4.4414	5.1729
Time	Alg. 2S		0.08	0.44	2.41	11.64	52.49
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Memory Usage		Alg. 2S	< 15	18.29	18.36	18.59	19.20
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		N	9	10	11	12	13
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Time	Alg. 2S		201.78	834.78	3647.25	13102.28	49655.32
	Alg. 2M		330.39	2783.13	—	—	—
Memory Usage		Alg. 2S	21.02	25.33	38.23	77.23	200.29
	Alg. 2M		701.48	5653	> 32GB	> 32GB	> 32GB

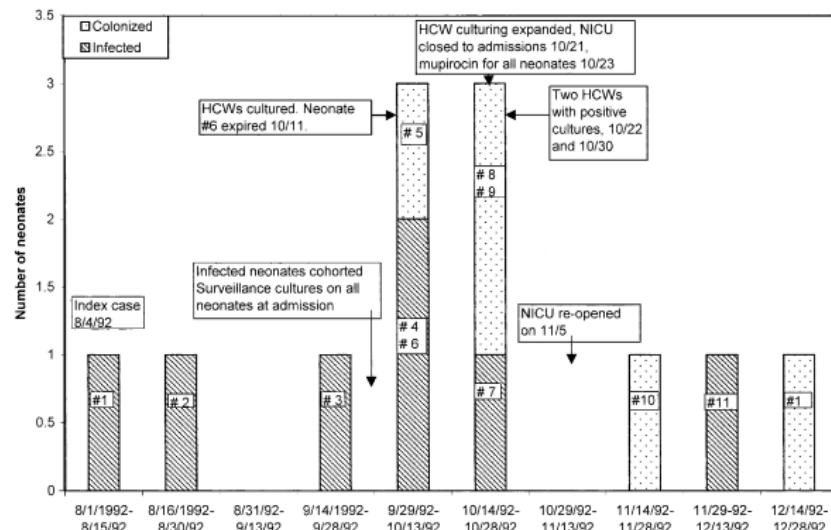


Figure: Outbreak data from a neonatal intensive care unit (Childrens National Medical Center, District of Columbia). Figure from Sumathi Nambiar et al. (2003)