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A New Model to Capture the Impact of Behaviours on the Spread of Infectious Diseases

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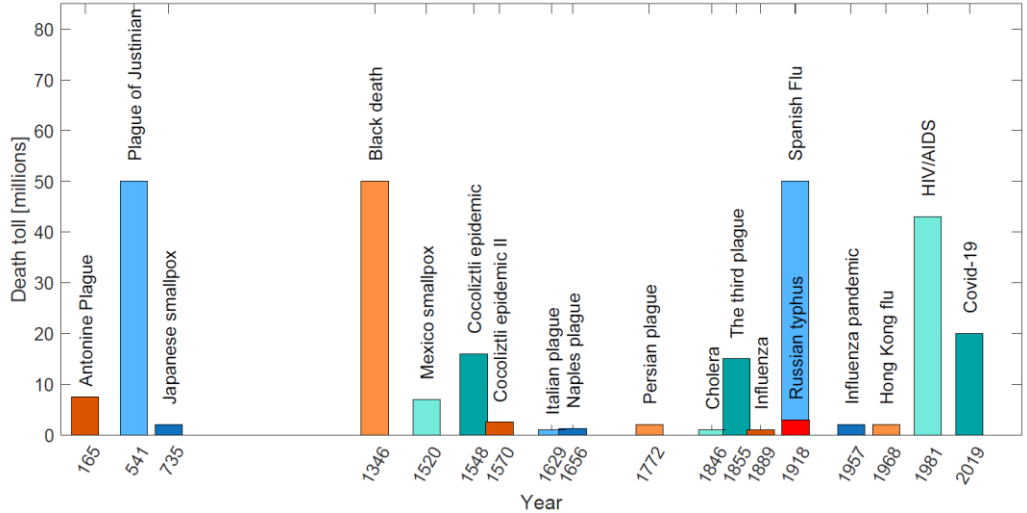
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Introduction: Why studying Epidemiology

Humanity has faced epidemic throughout its history

Diseases impact health and social aspects of societies

Advances in medicine and hygiene, yet new diseases still emerge.



02 Objectives

I. Study **how** behavior can be included in epidemics.

II. Realize the **coupling** of the two phenomena including:

- P2P mechanism
- “fatigue” contribution
- policy effect

III. Analyse **stability**, **simulate** evolutions and study **Threshold** effect of the proposed model.

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Definitions: the SIR model class



Mean field approximation

Homogeneous mixing

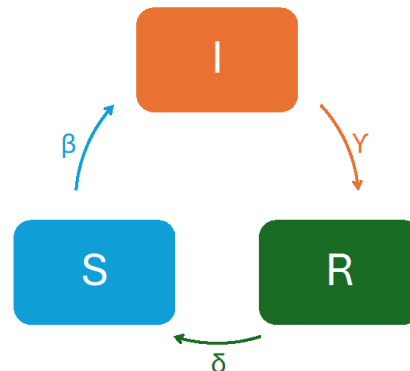
Population conservation

$$S + I + R = 1$$



Transitions rates

- β transmission rate
- γ recovery rate
- δ immunity waning rate



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Definitions: key parameters



Basic reproduction number

$$R_0 = \frac{\beta}{\gamma + \delta}$$

"It is the average number of secondary infections caused by one infected person in a fully susceptible population".



Threshold value

- $R_0 > 1$: epidemic outbreak
- $R_0 \leq 1$: disease-free equilibrium

LESS THAN

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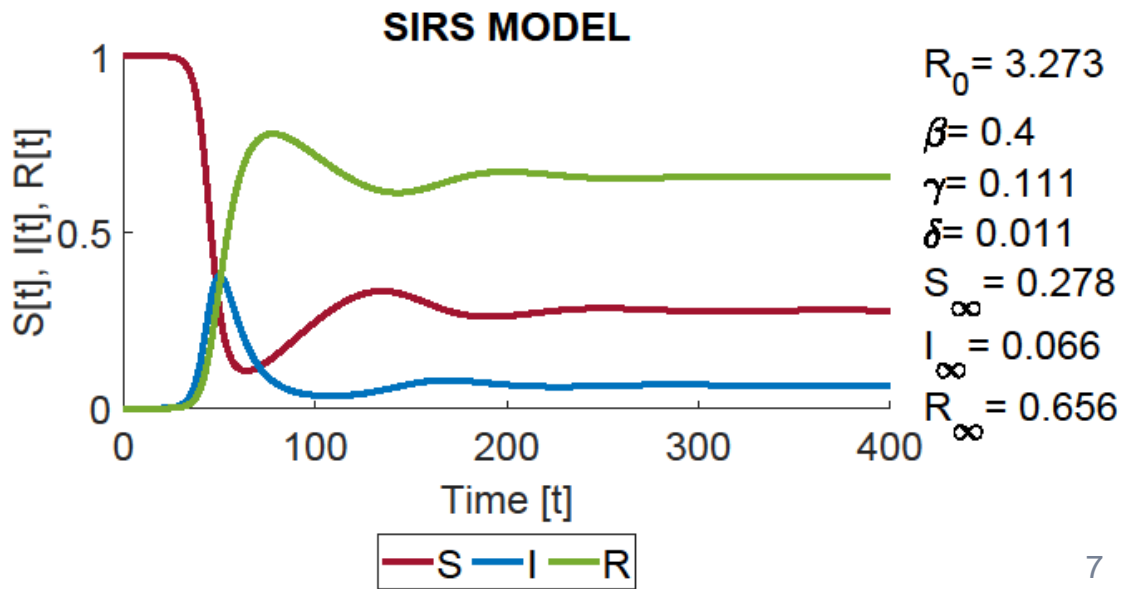
SIRS model

epidemic layer

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{ds}{dt} &= -\beta s i + \delta i \\ \frac{di}{dt} &= \beta s i - \gamma i \\ \frac{dr}{dt} &= \gamma i - \delta i\end{aligned}$$

Example: $R_0 = 3.273 > 1$

There is an epidemic Outbreak!



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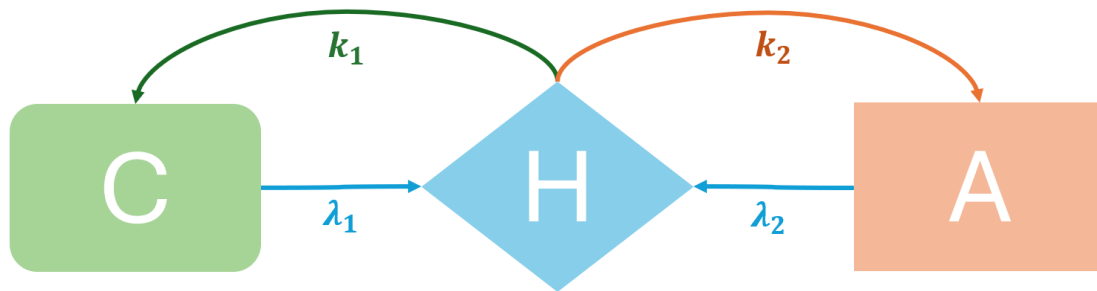
Behavioral model

Heedless – Compliant – Against
dynamic

k_1, k_2 persuasion rate
 λ_1, λ_2 fatigue to maintain
behavior
 B_1, B_2 behavior conversion
number

$$B_i = \frac{k_i}{\lambda_i} \text{ with } i = 1, 2.$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dH}{dt} &= -k_1CH - k_2AH + \lambda_1C + \lambda_2A \\ \frac{dC}{dt} &= k_1CH - \lambda_1C \\ \frac{dA}{dt} &= k_2AH - \lambda_2A\end{aligned}$$

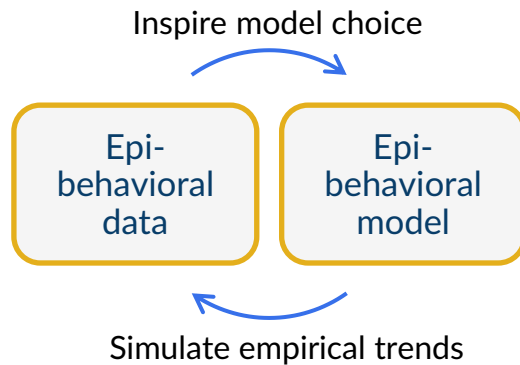


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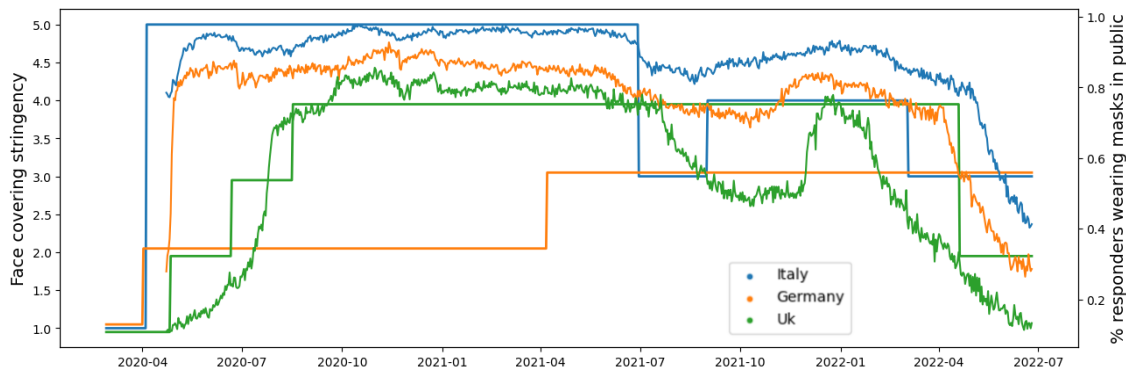
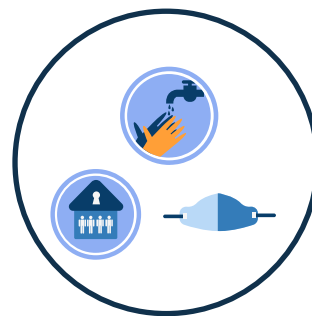
SAHCIR model

multi-system

Design method:



Safe behaviors



Example: Empirical data of mask wearing in different countries during COVID-19. Figure from [Provebio et al. .](#)

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SAHCIR
model

$$\begin{aligned}
S'_H &= -\psi k_1 S_H C - k_2 S_H A + \lambda_1 S_C + \lambda_2 S_A + \delta(1 - \phi) R_C - \beta S_H I \\
S'_C &= \psi k_1 S_H C + \delta \phi R_C - \lambda_1 S_C - \beta \rho S_C I \\
S'_A &= k_2 S_H A - \lambda_2 S_A - \beta S_A I + \delta R_A \\
I'_C &= \beta \rho S_C I + \beta S_H I + \psi k_3 I_A C - \lambda_3 I_C - k_4 I_C A + \lambda_4 I_A - \gamma I_C \\
I'_A &= \beta S_A I - \psi k_3 I_A C + \lambda_3 I_C + k_4 I_C A - \lambda_4 I_A - \gamma I_A \\
R'_C &= \gamma I_C - k_6 R_C A + \lambda_6 R_A + \psi k_5 R_A C - \lambda_5 R_C - \delta R_C \\
R'_A &= \gamma I_A + k_6 R_C A - \lambda_6 R_A - \psi k_5 R_A C + \lambda_5 R_C - \delta R_A
\end{aligned}$$

$$A = S_A + I_A + R_A$$

$$C = S_C + I_C + R_C$$

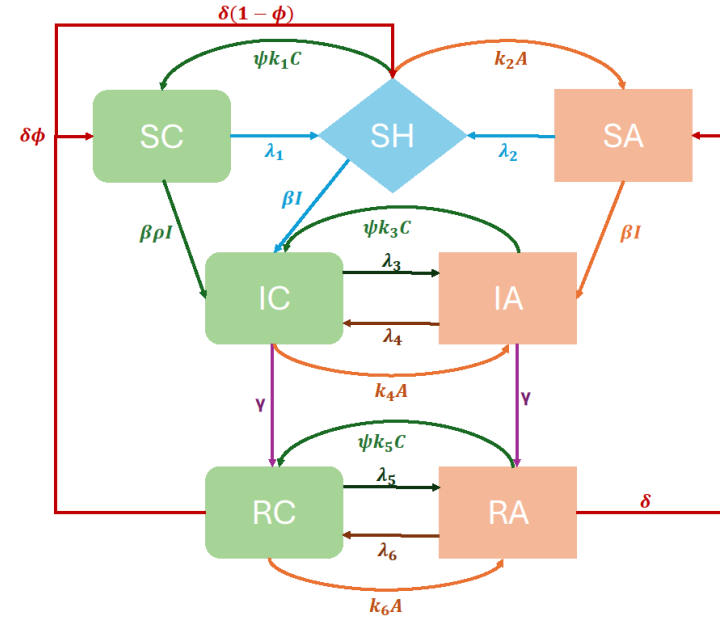
$$I = I_C + I_A$$

$$0 \leq \rho \leq 1$$

$$0 \leq \epsilon \leq 1$$

$$0 < \phi \leq 1$$

$$\rho \geq 1$$



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Epidemic- behavior

Reproduction number E_0



Next generation
matrix method

$$E_0 = \text{spec}(FV^{-1})$$

$$F = \left[\frac{dF_i}{dx_j}(x_0) \right] \text{ with } 1 \leq i, j \leq m$$

$$V = \left[\frac{dV_i}{dx_j}(x_0) \right] \text{ with } 1 \leq i, j \leq m$$

$$x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)^T$$

$$\frac{dx_i}{dt} = F_i(x) - V_i(x) \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \dots, m$$

$$F = \begin{bmatrix} \beta\epsilon(\rho S_C + S_H) & \beta(\rho S_C + S_A) \\ \beta\epsilon S_A & \beta S_A \end{bmatrix} \quad V = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_3 + k_4(S_A + I_A + R_A) + \gamma - \psi k_3 I_A & k_4 I_C - \lambda_4 - \psi k_3(S_C + I_C + R_C) \\ \psi k_3 I_A - \lambda_3 - k_4(S_A + I_A + R_A) & \psi k_3(S_C + I_C + R_C) - k_4 I_C + \lambda_4 + \gamma \end{bmatrix}$$



Disease Free
Equilibria x_0

$$I_C = 0, I_A = 0$$



	S_C	S_H	S_A	E_0
type-A	0	1	0	$\frac{\beta \lambda_3 + \epsilon \gamma + \epsilon \lambda_4}{\gamma \lambda_3 + \lambda_4 + \gamma}$
type-B	0	$\frac{\lambda_2}{k_2}$	$1 - \frac{\lambda_2}{k_2}$	$\frac{\beta \gamma + \lambda_3 + \epsilon \lambda_4 + S_H \gamma (\epsilon - 1) + k_4 S_A}{\gamma \lambda_3 + \lambda_4 + \gamma + k_4 S_A}$
Type-C	$1 - \frac{\lambda_1}{k_1}$	$\frac{\lambda_1}{k_1}$	0	$\frac{\beta (S_H + \rho S_C)(\lambda_3 + \epsilon \gamma + \epsilon \lambda_4 + \psi \epsilon k_3 S_C)}{\gamma \lambda_3 + \lambda_4 + \gamma + \psi k_3 S_C}$

$$R_C = 0, R_A = 0$$

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Results

Simulations with different E_0

$$k_1 > k_2,$$

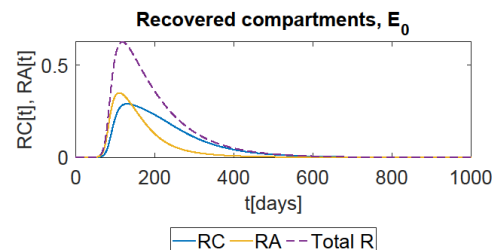
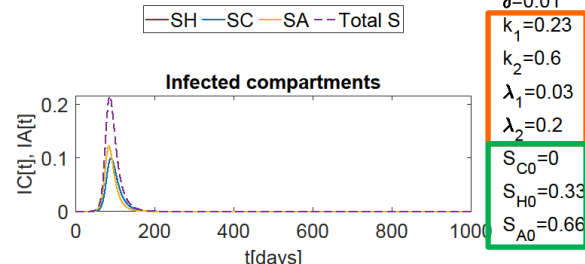
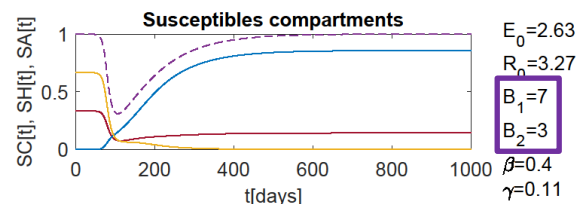
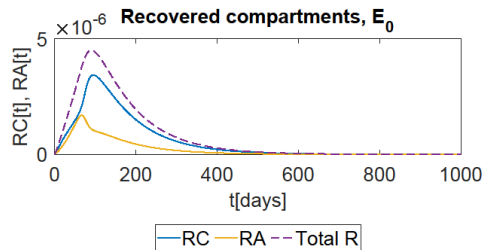
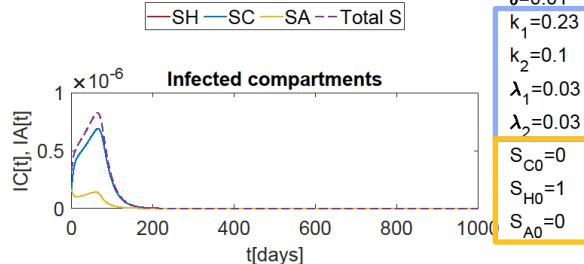
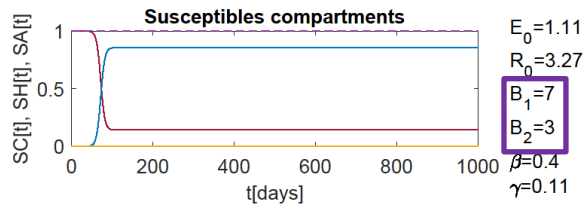
$$\lambda_1 = \lambda_2,$$

$$k_1 < k_2,$$

$$\lambda_1 \ll \lambda_2,$$

Same B_1, B_2

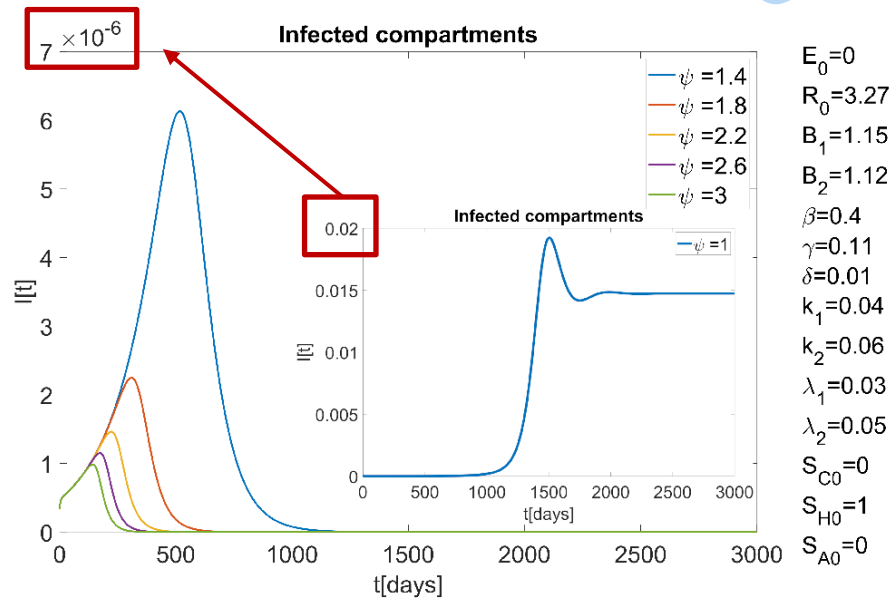
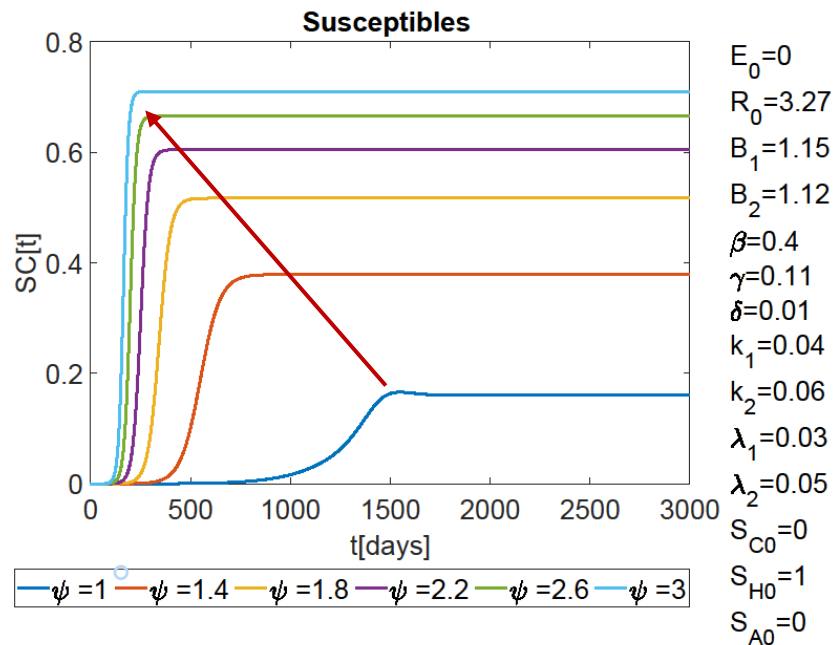
Different DFE



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Results

Effect of ψ global mean field agent



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Conclusion

Thanks!

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Behavior-Epidemic
interactions

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Insights from
simulations
 E_0 effective to
reproduce epidemic
insurgence



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Possible
limitations

Homogeneous
mixing, H only in S

SAHCIR MODEL

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Framework
flexibility

Adaptable to
different
scenarios

Future perspective:

fit empirical data, complex ψ , more investigation
on k_i, λ_i

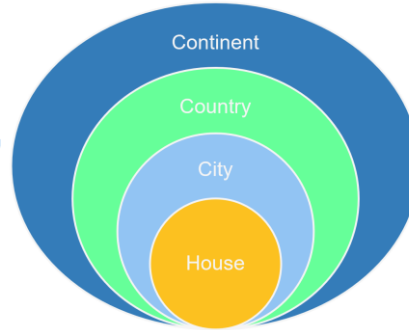
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Introduction

Epidemic spreading: multiple layers and scales are involved



Population interconnections



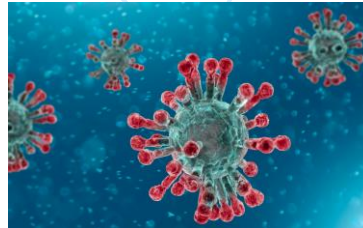
Model people behavior during an epidemic



Population interactions



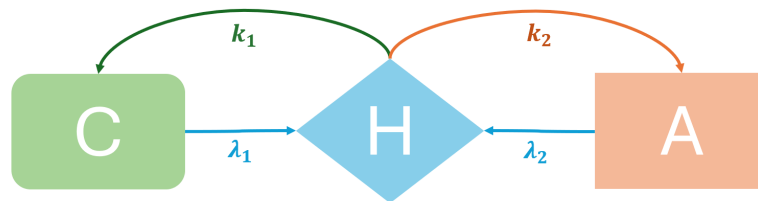
Microscopic, infection dynamic within a host



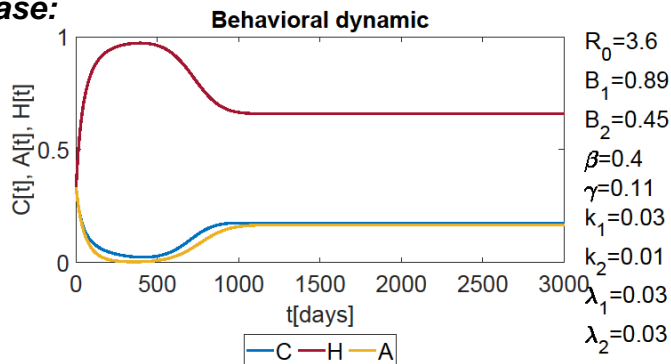
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Behavioral model

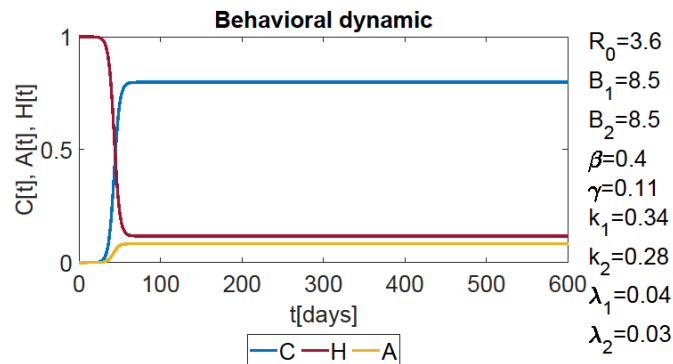
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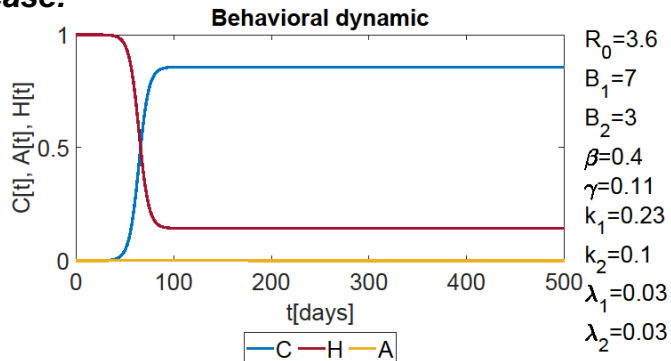
I case:



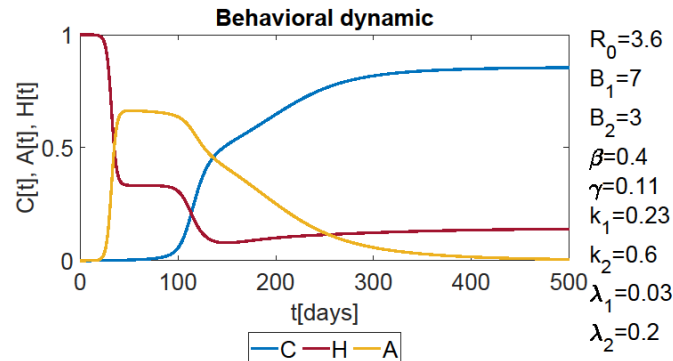
II case:



III case:



IV case:



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Introduction: Why models



Powerful instruments

Study, understand, reconstruct patterns



Prediction

Generate insight into epidemic dynamics



Stakeholders

Develop policies to minimize human life loss, economic costs, and hospital overcrowding.

Exploring disease incidence

	S_C	S_H	S_A	E_0
type-A	0	1	0	$\frac{\beta}{\gamma} \frac{\lambda_3 + \epsilon\gamma + \epsilon\lambda_4}{\lambda_3 + \lambda_4 + \gamma}$
type-B	0	$\frac{\lambda_2}{k_2}$	$1 - \frac{\lambda_2}{k_2}$	$\frac{\beta}{\gamma} \frac{\gamma + \lambda_3 + \epsilon\lambda_4 + S_H\gamma(\epsilon - 1) + k_4S_A}{\lambda_3 + \lambda_4 + \gamma + k_4S_A}$
Type-C	$1 - \frac{\lambda_1}{k_1}$	$\frac{\lambda_1}{k_1}$	0	$\frac{\beta}{\gamma} \frac{(S_H + \rho S_C)(\lambda_3 + \epsilon\gamma + \epsilon\lambda_4 + \psi\epsilon k_3 S_C)}{\lambda_3 + \lambda_4 + \gamma + \psi k_3 S_C}$

Mapping prevalence



Snapshot

Mercury is the closest planet to the Sun and the smallest of them all



Distribution

Venus has a beautiful name and is the second planet from the Sun



Factors

Despite being red, Mars is actually a cold place. It's full of iron oxide dust

Enhancing research credibility



Mercury

- ✓ Mercury is a small planet
- × Mercury is the closest planet to the Sun



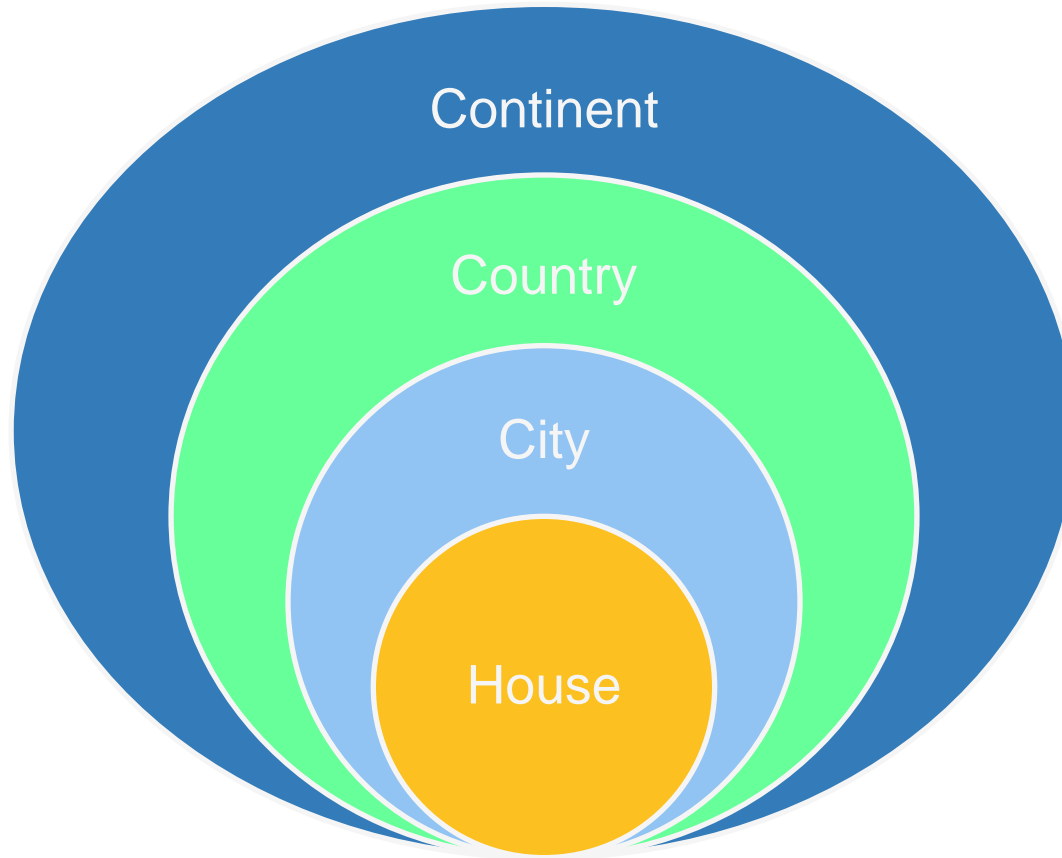
Venus

- ✓ Venus is a very hot planet
- × Venus is the second planet from the Sun



Jupiter

- ✓ Jupiter is a huge gas giant
- × Jupiter is the biggest planet of them all





Awesome words

Icon pack

