Reaction-diffusion spacial modeling of COVID-19 in Chicago

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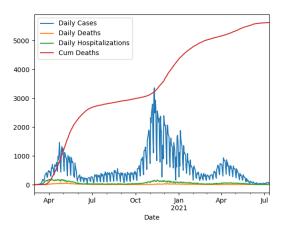


Figure 1: Reported cases in Chicago.

$$S_t = -\beta_{SA}SA - \beta_{SI}SI - \mu S,\tag{1}$$

$$E_t = \beta_{SA}SA - \beta_{SI} - (\sigma_A + \sigma_I)E, \tag{2}$$

$$A_t = \sigma_A E - M_{AB} A,\tag{3}$$

$$AR_t = M_{AR}A, (4)$$

$$I_t = \sigma_I E - MI, \tag{5}$$

$$H_t = \gamma M I - (1 - \omega) \chi H - \omega \psi H, \tag{6}$$

$$R_t = (1 - \gamma)MI + (1 - \omega)\chi H,\tag{7}$$

$$D_t = \omega \psi H. \tag{8}$$

We determine the optimal parameters by minimizing the Euclidean distance \mathcal{N} between the time series generated by the model (num) and the corresponding observed time series (obs),

$$\mathcal{N} = \sum_{i} \left(\left| \log(C_{\text{num}}(t_i)) - \log(C_{\text{obs}}(t_i)) \right|^2 + \left| \log(D_{\text{num}}(t_i)) - \log(D_{\text{obs}}(t_i)) \right|^2 \right)$$
(9)

where the index i identifies a point in the time series. The optimization tries to reproduce the number of total reported cases (C(t) = I(t) + H(t) + R(t) + D(t)) and the total number of deceased (D(t)). [1]

We can account for a change in the parameters due to the lockdown by imposing a time dependence on the transmission rates β :

$$\beta_{IS}(t) = \beta_{IS} \left[\eta_{IS} + (1 - \eta_{IS}) \frac{1 - \tanh[2(t - t_q)]}{2} \right], \tag{10}$$

$$\beta_{AS}(t) = \beta_{AS} \left[\eta_{AS} + (1 - \eta_{AS}) \frac{1 - \tanh[2(t - t_q)]}{2} \right]. \tag{11}$$

This causes the transmission rates β_{IS} and β_{AS} to decrease abruptly by a factor of η_{IS} and η_{AS} respectively at the time t_q when the lockdown was imposed. [2]

		Median $(t_q = 3)$	Median $(t_q = 16)$	Initial value
Population	N		2,693,976	
Initial populations	(I_0, H_0, D_0)		(297, 134, 6)	
Non COVID-19 death rate [per day]	μ		5.79×10^{-7}	
Transmission rate, $S \to I$ [per day]	eta_{IS}	0.35(0.28 - 0.41)	0.32(0.29 - 0.35)	$c\in U[0,1]$

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