

Vaccine Implementation with Social Networks

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1 Introduction

For problem descriptions, see:

<https://www.research.ibm.com/haifa/ponderthis/challenges/February2021.html>.

2 Model Formulations

2.1 Set

K : indexed by k , set of direction in the order of {N, E, S, W}

2.2 Parameters

m : number of rows

n : number of columns

D_{ijk} : = 1, if the vaccination of cell $[i, j]$, $i \in \{1..m\}$, $j \in \{1..n\}$ is made before the vaccination in the neighbour in the direction of $k \in K$; = 0, otherwise

T : maximum time stages

2.3 Decision variables

X_{ijt} : = 1, if cell $[i, j]$, $i \in \{0..m+1\}$, $j \in \{0..n+1\}$ has positive vaccination in time $t \in \{0..T\}$; = 0, otherwise

2.4 Model

Objective:

$$\text{Minimize } \sum_{i=1..m} \sum_{j=1..n} X_{ij,0}$$

Constraints:

Dummy boundary at rows 0 and $m + 1$ and cols 0 and $n + 1$:

$$X_{ijt} = 1, \quad (i = 0 \text{ or } i = m + 1 \text{ or } j = 0 \text{ or } j = n + 1) \text{ and } \forall t \in \{0..T\} \quad (1)$$

$X_{ij,t+1}$ takes vaccine only if trusted neighbours take vaccine in time t :

$$D_{ij,N}X_{ij,t+1} \leq X_{i+1,j,t}, \quad \forall i \in \{1..m\}, j \in \{1..n\}, t \in \{0..T-1\} \quad (2)$$

$$D_{ij,E}X_{ij,t+1} \leq X_{i,j+1,t}, \quad \forall i \in \{1..m\}, j \in \{1..n\}, t \in \{0..T-1\} \quad (3)$$

$$D_{ij,S}X_{ij,t+1} \leq X_{i-1,j,t}, \quad \forall i \in \{1..m\}, j \in \{1..n\}, t \in \{0..T-1\} \quad (4)$$

$$D_{ij,W}X_{ij,t+1} \leq X_{i,j-1,t}, \quad \forall i \in \{1..m\}, j \in \{1..n\}, t \in \{0..T-1\} \quad (5)$$

$$X_{i,j,t+1} \geq D_{ij,N}X_{i+1,j,t} + D_{ij,E}X_{i,j+1,t} + D_{ij,S}X_{i-1,j,t} + D_{ij,W}X_{i,j-1,t} - \sum_k D_{ijk} + 1, \\ \forall i \in \{1..m\}, j \in \{1..n\}, t \in \{0..T-1\} \quad (6)$$

Requirement for vaccination for all cells:

$$X_{ij,T} = 1, \quad \forall i \in \{1..m\}, j \in \{1..n\}, \quad (7)$$

Maintaining vaccine condition once vaccinated:

$$X_{i,j,t+1} \geq X_{ijt}, \quad \forall i \in \{1..m\}, j \in \{1..n\}, t \in \{0..T-1\} \quad (8)$$