Generalized Contagion

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Basic questions about contagion

- How many types of contagion are there?
- How can we categorize real-world contagions?
- & Can we connect models of disease-like and social contagion?
- Focus: mean field models.

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Original models attributed to

- 🙈 1920's: Reed and Frost
- 3 1920's/1930's: Kermack and McKendrick [8, 10, 9]
- Coupled differential equations with a mass-action principle

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Mathematical Epidemiology (recap)

The standard SIR model [11]

- = basic model of disease contagion
- Three states:
 - 1. S = Susceptible
 - 2. I = Infective/Infectious
 - 3. R = Recovered or Removed or Refractory
- S(t) + I(t) + R(t) = 1
- Presumes random interactions (mass-action) principle)
- Interactions are independent (no memory)
- Discrete and continuous time versions



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Reproduction Number R_0

population of Susceptibles

 $\ensuremath{\mathfrak{S}}$ Probability of transmission = β

Discrete version:

a Susceptible

probability 1 - r

 β , r, and ρ are now rates.

Reproduction Number R_0 :

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Differential equations for continuous model

 $\frac{\mathsf{d}}{\mathsf{d}t}S = -\beta \underline{IS} + \rho R$

 $\frac{\mathsf{d}}{\mathsf{d}t}I = \beta \underline{IS} - rI$

 $\frac{\mathsf{d}}{\mathsf{d}t}R = rI - \rho R$

- $\Re R_0$ = expected number of infected individuals resulting from a single initial infective
- \clubsuit Epidemic threshold: If $R_0 > 1$, 'epidemic' occurs.

Set up: One Infective in a randomly mixing

 \clubsuit At time t = 0, single infective randomly bumps into

 \clubsuit At time t = 1, single Infective remains infected with



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 \clubsuit At time t = k, single Infective remains infected with probability $(1-r)^k$

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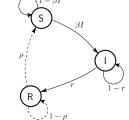
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Discrete time automata example:



Transition Probabilities:

 β for being infected given contact with infected r for recovery ρ for loss of immunity



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Reproduction Number R_0

Discrete version:

& Expected number infected by original Infective:

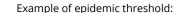
$$R_0=\beta+(1-r)\beta+(1-r)^2\beta+(1-r)^3\beta+\dots$$

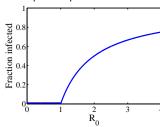
$$=\beta \left(1+(1-r)+(1-r)^2+(1-r)^3+\ldots \right)$$

$$=\beta \frac{1}{1-(1-r)} = \beta/r$$

Similar story for continuous model.

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- Continuous phase transition.
- Fine idea from a simple model.

Simple disease spreading models

Valiant attempts to use SIR and co. elsewhere:

- Adoption of ideas/beliefs (Goffman & Newell, 1964)^[7]
- Spread of rumors (Daley & Kendall, 1964,
- A Diffusion of innovations (Bass, 1969) [1]
- Spread of fanatical behavior (Castillo-Chávez & Song, 2003) [2]

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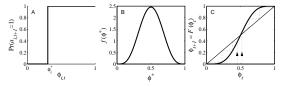
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Action based on perceived behavior of others.

Granovetter's model (recap of recap)



- Two states: S and I.
- Recovery now possible (SIS).
- $\Leftrightarrow \phi$ = fraction of contacts 'on' (e.g., rioting).
- Discrete time, synchronous update.
- This is a Critical mass model.
- Interdependent interaction model.

Some (of many) issues

- infectious events.
- Threshold models only involve proportions: $3/10 \equiv 30/100$.
- Threshold models ignore exact sequence of influences
- Threshold models assume immediate polling.
- Mean-field models neglect network structure
- Network effects only part of story: media, advertising, direct marketing.

- Disease models assume independence of

Generalized model—ingredients

Individuals 'remember' last T contacts:

Infection occurs if individual i's 'threshold' is

 $D_{t,i} = \sum_{t'=t-T+1}^{t} d_i(t')$

 $D_{t,i} \geq d_i^*$

 \clubsuit Threshold d_i^* drawn from arbitrary distribution q

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Generalized model—ingredients



 $S \Rightarrow I$

exceeded:

at t = 0.

When $D_{t,i} < d_i^*$, individual i recovers to state R with probability r.

 $R \Rightarrow S$

Once in state R, individuals become susceptible again with probability ρ .

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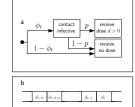
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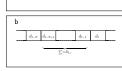
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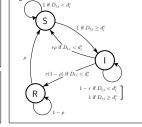
Basic ingredients:

- A Incorporate memory of a contagious element [5, 6]
- \aleph Population of N individuals, each in state S, I, or R.
- Each individual randomly contacts another at each time step.
- ϕ_t = fraction infected at time t = probability of contact with infected individual
- \aleph With probability p, contact with infective leads to an exposure.
- If exposed, individual receives a dose of size ddrawn from distribution f. Otherwise d = 0.



A visual explanation







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Generalized mean-field model

Study SIS-type contagion first:

Recovered individuals are immediately susceptible again:

$$\rho = 1$$
.

- & Look for steady-state behavior as a function of exposure probability p.
- & Denote fixed points by ϕ^* .

Homogeneous version:

- & All individuals have threshold d^*
- All dose sizes are equal: d = 1

Homogeneous, one hit models:

Fixed points for r < 1, $d^* = 1$, and T = 1:

- r < 1 means recovery is probabilistic.
- Rack T = 1 means individuals forget past interactions.
- $d^* = 1$ means one positive interaction will infect an individual.
- & Evolution of infection level:

$$\phi_{t+1} = \underbrace{p\phi_t}_{\mathsf{a}} + \underbrace{\phi_t(1-p\phi_t)}_{\mathsf{b}} \underbrace{(1-r)}_{\mathsf{C}}.$$

- a: Fraction infected between t and t+1, independent of past state or recovery.
- b: Probability of being infected and not being reinfected.
- c: Probability of not recovering.

Homogeneous, one hit models:

Fixed points for r < 1, $d^* = 1$, and T = 1:

$$\Re$$
 Set $\phi_t = \phi^*$:

$$\phi^*=p\phi^*+(1-p\phi^*)\phi^*(1-r)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1=p+(1-p\phi^*)(1-r), \quad \phi^*\neq 0,$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi^* = \frac{1 - r/p}{1 - r} \quad \text{and} \quad \phi^* = 0.$$

- \$ Spreading takes off if p/r > 1
- Find continuous phase transition as for SIR model.
- \Re Goodness: Matches $R_{o} = \beta/\gamma > 1$ condition.

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Fixed points for r = 1, $d^* = 1$, and T > 1

- r = 1 means recovery is immediate.
- Rrightarrow T > 1 means individuals remember at least 2 interactions.
- $d^* = 1$ means only one positive interaction in past T interactions will infect individual.
- & Effect of individual interactions is independent from effect of others.
- Pr(infected) = 1 Pr(uninfected):

$$\phi^*=1-(1-p\phi^*)^T.$$

Homogeneous, one hit models:

Fixed points for r = 1, $d^* = 1$, and T > 1

& Closed form expression for ϕ^* :

$$\phi^* = 1 - (1 - p\phi^*)^T.$$

- & Look for critical infection probability p_a .
- $As \phi^* \to 0$, we see

$$\phi^* \simeq pT\phi^* \Rightarrow p_c = 1/T.$$

- Again find continuous phase transition ...
- \mathbb{A} Note: we can solve for p but not ϕ^* :

$$p = (\phi^*)^{-1}[1 - (1 - \phi^*)^{1/T}].$$

Homogeneous, one hit models:

Fixed points for r < 1, $d^* = 1$, and T > 1

 \clubsuit Start with r=1, $d^*=1$, and $T\geq 1$ case we have iust examined:

$$\phi^*=1-(1-p\phi^*)^T.$$

- \clubsuit For r < 1, add to right hand side fraction who:
 - 1. Did not receive any infections in last T time steps,
 - 2. And did not recover from a previous infection.
- Define corresponding dose histories. Example:

$$H_1 = \{\dots, d_{t-T-2}, d_{t-T-1}, 1, \underbrace{0, 0, \dots, 0, 0}_{T \text{ 0's}}\},$$

 \mathbb{R} With history H_1 , probability of being infected (not recovering in one time step) is 1-r.

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In general, relevant dose histories are:

$$H_{m+1} = \{\dots, d_{t-T-m-1}, 1, \underbrace{0, 0, \dots, 0, 0}_{m \text{ 0's}}, \underbrace{0, 0, \dots, 0, 0}_{T \text{ 0's}}\}.$$

Overall probabilities for dose histories occurring:

$$P(H_1) = p \phi^* (1 - p \phi^*)^T (1 - r),$$

$$P(H_{m+1}) = \underbrace{p\phi^*}_{a} \underbrace{(1-p\phi^*)^{T+m}}_{b} \underbrace{(1-r)^{m+1}}_{c}.$$

- a: Pr(infection T + m + 1 time steps ago)
- b: Pr(no doses received in T+m time steps since)
- c: $Pr(no\ recovery\ in\ m\ chances)$

Homogeneous, one hit models:

Fixed points for $r \le 1$, $d^* = 1$, and $T \ge 1$

 \Re Pr(recovery) = Pr(seeing no doses for at least T time steps and recovering)

$$= \frac{r}{r} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} P(H_{T+m}) = \frac{r}{r} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} p \phi^* (1 - p \phi^*)^{T+m} (1 - r)^m$$

$$= \frac{r}{1-(1-p\phi^*)(1-r)}^T.$$

Using the probability of not recovering, we end up with a fixed point equation:

$$\phi^* = 1 - \frac{r(1 - p\phi^*)^T}{1 - (1 - p\phi^*)(1 - r)}.$$

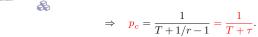
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Fixed points for $r \le 1$, $d^* = 1$, and $T \ge 1$

Fixed point equation (again):

$$\phi^* = 1 - \frac{r(1 - p\phi^*)^T}{1 - (1 - p\phi^*)(1 - r)}.$$

Find critical exposure probability by examining above as $\phi^* \to 0$.



where τ = mean recovery time for simple relaxation process.

 Decreasing r keeps individuals infected for longer and decreases p_c .

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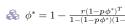
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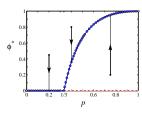


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Epidemic threshold:

Fixed points for $d^*=1$, $r\leq 1$, and $T\geq 1$





- \clubsuit Example details: $T = 2 \& r = 1/2 \Rightarrow p_c = 1/3$.
- & Blue = stable, red = unstable, fixed points.
- $\approx \tau = 1/r 1$ = characteristic recovery time = 1.
- $Rrac{1}{8}$ $T + \tau \simeq$ average memory in system = 3.
- A Phase transition can be seen as a transcritical bifurcation. [12]

Homogeneous, multi-hit models:

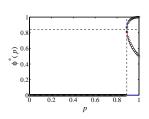
- All right: $d^* = 1$ models correspond to simple disease spreading models.
- \clubsuit What if we allow $d^* > 2$?
- Again first consider SIS with immediate recovery (r = 1)
- Also continue to assume unit dose sizes $(f(d) = \delta(d-1)).$
- & To be infected, must have at least d^* exposures in last T time steps.
- Fixed point equation:

$$\phi^* = \sum_{i=d^*}^T \binom{T}{i} (p\phi^*)^i (1-p\phi^*)^{T-i}.$$

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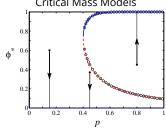
Fixed points for r=1, $d^*>1$, and $T\geq 1$

- & Exactly solvable for small T.
- & e.g., for $d^* = 2$, T = 3:



- Fixed point equation: $3p^2{\phi^*}^2(1-p\phi^*)+p^3{\phi^*}^3$
- See new structure: a saddle node bifurcation [12] appears as p increases.
- $(p_h, \phi^*) = (8/9, 27/32).$
- Behavior akin to output of Granovetter's threshold model.

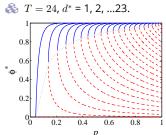
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 $r = 1, d^* = 3, T = 12$

Saddle-node bifurcation.

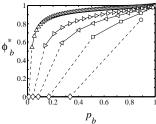
Fixed points for r = 1, $d^* > 1$, and $T \ge 1$



- jump between continuous phase transition and pure critical mass model.
- Unstable curve for $d^* = 2$ does not hit $\phi^* = 0$.
- See either simple phase transition or saddle-node bifurcation, nothing in between.

Fixed points for r = 1, $d^* > 1$, and T > 1

\clubsuit Bifurcation points for example fixed T, varying d^* :



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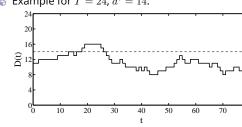
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Fixed points for r < 1, $d^* > 1$, and $T \ge 1$

- $rac{1}{4}$ For r < 1, need to determine probability of recovering as a function of time since dose load last dropped below threshold.
- Partially summed random walks:

$$D_i(t) = \sum_{t'=t-T+1}^t d_i(t')$$

& Example for T = 24, $d^* = 14$:



Fixed points for r < 1, $d^* > 1$, and T > 1

- $\ \ \,$ Define γ_m as fraction of individuals for whom D(t)last equaled, and has since been below, their threshold m time steps ago,
- Reaction of individuals below threshold but not recovered:

$$\Gamma(p,\phi^*;r) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} (1-r)^m \gamma_m(p,\phi^*).$$

Fixed point equation:

$$\phi^* = \Gamma(p,\phi^*;r) + \sum_{i=d^*}^T \binom{T}{i} (p\phi^*)^i (1-p\phi^*)^{T-i}.$$

Fixed points for r < 1, $d^* > 1$, and T > 1

Example: $T = 3, d^* = 2$

Want to examine how dose load can drop below threshold of $d^* = 2$:

$$D_n = 2 \Rightarrow D_{n+1} = 1$$

- Two subsequences do this: $\{d_{n-2}, d_{n-1}, d_n, d_{n+1}\} = \{1, 1, 0, 0\}$ and $\{d_{n-2}, d_{n-1}, d_n, d_{n+1}, d_{n+2}\} = \{1, 0, 1, 0, 0\}.$
- Note: second sequence includes an extra 0 since this is necessary to stay below $d^* = 2$.
- To stay below threshold, observe acceptable following sequences may be composed of any combination of two subsequences:

$a = \{0\}$ and $b = \{1, 0, 0\}$



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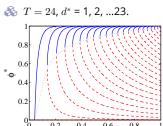
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Another example:

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 $A^* = 1 \rightarrow d^* > 1$:

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Fixed points for r < 1, $d^* > 1$, and T > 1

- Determine number of sequences of length m that keep dose load below $d^* = 2$.
- N_a = number of $a = \{0\}$ subsequences.
- \mathbb{A} N_b = number of $b = \{1, 0, 0\}$ subsequences.

$$m = N_a \cdot 1 + N_b \cdot 3$$

Possible values for N_b :

$$0, 1, 2, \ldots, \left\lfloor \frac{m}{3} \right\rfloor$$
.

where | | means floor.

& Corresponding possible values for N_a :

$$m, m-3, m-6, \ldots, m-3 \left\lfloor \frac{m}{3} \right\rfloor$$
.

Fixed points for r < 1, $d^* > 1$, and T > 1

- \clubsuit How many ways to arrange N_a a's and N_b b's?
- Think of overall sequence in terms of subsequences:

$$\{Z_1,Z_2,\dots,Z_{N_a+N_b}\}$$

- $N_a + N_b$ slots for subsequences.
- & Choose positions of either a's or b's:

$$\binom{N_a+N_b}{N_a}=\binom{N_a+N_b}{N_b}.$$

Fixed points for r < 1, $d^* > 1$, and T > 1

 \clubsuit Total number of allowable sequences of length m:

$$\sum_{N_b=0}^{\lfloor m/3\rfloor} \binom{N_b+N_a}{N_b} = \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor m/3\rfloor} \binom{m-2k}{k}$$

where $k = N_b$ and we have used $m = N_a + 3N_b$.

- $P(a) = (1 p\phi^*) \text{ and } P(b) = p\phi^*(1 p\phi^*)^2$
- Total probability of allowable sequences of length

$$\chi_m(p,\phi^*) = \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor m/3 \rfloor} \binom{m-2k}{k} (1-p\phi^*)^{m-k} (p\phi^*)^k.$$

Notation: Write a randomly chosen sequence of a's and b's of length m as $D_m^{a,b}$.

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- Nearly there ...must account for details of sequence endings.
- \$ Three endings \Rightarrow Six possible sequences:

$$\begin{array}{ll} D_1 = \{1,1,0,0,D_{m-1}^{a,b}\} & & \text{Interdependent interaction} \\ D_2 = \{1,1,0,0,D_{m-2}^{a,b},1\} & P_1 = (p\phi)^2(1-p\phi)^2\chi_{m-1}(p,\phi) \\ D_3 = \{1,1,0,0,D_{m-3}^{a,b},1,0\} & P_2 = (p\phi)^3(1-p\phi)^2\chi_{m-2}(p,\phi) \\ D_4 = \{1,0,1,0,0,D_{m-2}^{a,b}\} & P_3 = (p\phi)^3(1-p\phi)^3\chi_{m-3}(p,\phi) & \text{Appendix} \\ D_4 = \{1,0,1,0,0,D_{m-2}^{a,b}\} & P_4 = (p\phi)^2(1-p\phi)^3\chi_{m-3}(p,\phi) & P_4 = (p\phi)^2(1-p\phi)^3\chi_{m-3}(p,\phi) \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} D_4 = \{1,0,1,0,0,D_{m-2}^{n}\} & \text{Reference} \\ P_4 = (p\phi)^2(1-p\phi)^3\chi_{m-2}(p,\phi) & \\ D_5 = \{1,0,1,0,0,D_{m-3}^{a,b},1\} & \\ P_5 = (p\phi)^3(1-p\phi)^3\chi_{m-3}(p,\phi) & \\ D_6 = \{1,0,1,0,0,D_{m-4}^{a,b},1,0\} & \\ P_6 = (p\phi)^3(1-p\phi)^4\chi_{m-4}(p,\phi) & \\ \end{array}$$

Fixed points for r < 1, $d^* = 2$, and T = 3

$$\text{F.P. Eq: } \phi^* = \Gamma(p,\phi^*;r) + \sum_{i=d^*}^T \binom{T}{i} (p\phi^*)^i (1-p\phi^*)^{T-i}.$$

where $\Gamma(p, \phi^*; r) =$

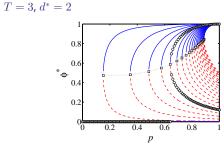
$$(1-r)(p\phi)^2(1-p\phi)^2 + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} (1-r)^m(p\phi)^2(1-p\phi)^2 \times$$

$$\left[\chi_{m-1} + \chi_{m-2} + 2p\phi(1-p\phi)\chi_{m-3} + p\phi(1-p\phi)^2\chi_{m-4}\right]$$
 and

$$\chi_m(p,\phi^*) = \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor m/3 \rfloor} \binom{m-2k}{k} (1-p\phi^*)^{m-k} (p\phi^*)^k.$$

Note: $(1-r)(p\phi)^2(1-p\phi)^2$ accounts for $\{1,0,1,0\}$ sequence.

Fixed points for r < 1, $d^* > 1$, and T > 1



 $r = 0.01, 0.05, 0.10, 0.15, 0.20, \dots, 1.00$

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 P_1 = Probability that <u>one dose</u> will exceed the threshold of a random individual = Fraction of most vulnerable individuals.

a randomly selected individual

will be exceeded by k doses.

Now allow for general dose distributions (f) and

 $P_k = \int_0^\infty \mathrm{d}d^* \, g(d^*) P\left(\sum_{i=1}^k d_i \geq d^*\right) \text{ where } 1 \leq k \leq T.$

Fixed points for r < 1, $d^* > 1$, and $T \ge 1$

- $r = 0.01, 0.05, 0.10, \dots, 0.3820 \pm 0.0001.$
- $\red{\$}$ No spreading for $r \gtrsim 0.382$.

What we have now:

 $T=2, d^*=2$

- Two kinds of contagion processes:
 - 1. Continuous phase transition: SIR-like.
 - 2. Saddle-node bifurcation: threshold model-like.
- $d^* = 1$: spreading from small seeds possible.
- $d^* > 1$: critical mass model.

Generalized model

Key quantities:

Are other behaviors possible?

threshold distributions (a).

 $\Re P_k$ = Probability that the threshold of



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Generalized model—heterogeneity, r = 1

Fixed point equation:

$$\phi^* = \sum_{k=1}^T \binom{T}{k} (p\phi^*)^k (1-p\phi^*)^{T-k} \underline{P_k}$$

& Expand around $\phi^* = 0$ to find when spread from single seed is possible:

$$pP_1T\geq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow p_c = 1/(TP_1)$$

- Very good:
 - 1. P_1T is the expected number of vulnerables the initial infected individual meets before recovering.
 - 2. pP_1T is : the expected number of successful infections (equivalent to R_0).
- & Observe: p_a may exceed 1 meaning no spreading from a small seed.

Heterogeneous case

- Next: Determine slope of fixed point curve at critical point p_c .
- Expand fixed point equation around $(p, \phi^*) = (p_c, 0).$
- \Re Find slope depends on $(P_1 P_2/2)^{[6]}$ (see Appendix).
- Behavior near fixed point depends on whether this slope is
 - 1. positive: $P_1 > P_2/2$ (continuous phase transition)
 - 2. negative: $P_1 < P_2/2$ (discontinuous phase transition)
- Now find three basic universal classes of contagion models ...

Heterogeneous case

Example configuration:

- Dose sizes are lognormally distributed with mean 1 and variance 0.433.
- \clubsuit Memory span: T=10.
- Thresholds are uniformly set at
 - 1. $d_* = 0.5$
 - 2. $d_* = 1.6$
 - 3. $d_* = 3$
- Spread of dose sizes matters, details are not important.

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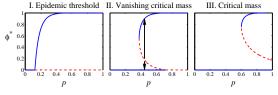
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Three universal classes



Epidemic threshold:

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Now allow r < 1:

 $P_1 > P_2/2$, $p_c = 1/(TP_1) < 1$

 $P_1 < P_2/2$

- Vanishing critical mass: $p_c = 1/(TP_1) < 1$
- Pure critical mass: $P_1 < P_2/2$, $p_c = 1/(TP_1) > 1$

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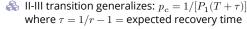
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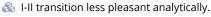
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More complicated models

- Due to heterogeneity in individual thresholds.
- Three classes based on behavior for small seeds.
- Same model classification holds: I, II, and III.

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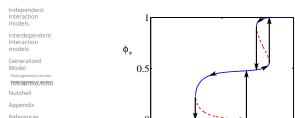
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Hysteresis in vanishing critical mass models

0.5



Nutshell (one half)

Memory is a natural ingredient.

I. Epidemic Threshold

III. Critical Mass

II. Vanishing Critical Mass

Dramatic changes in behavior possible.

To change kind of model: 'adjust' memory,

To change behavior given model: 'adjust'

recovery, fraction of vulnerable individuals (T, r, ρ ,

probability of exposure (p) and/or initial number

Three universal classes of contagion processes:

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Nutshell (other half)

 P_1 , and/or P_2).

infected (ϕ_0).

\Re Single seed infects others if $pP_1(T+\tau) \geq 1$.

- \Re Key quantity: $p_c = 1/[P_1(T+\tau)]$
- \Re If $p_c < 1 \Rightarrow$ contagion can spread from single seed.
 - Depends only on:
- 1. System Memory ($T + \tau$). Generalized
- 2. Fraction of highly vulnerable individuals (P_1) . Model
 - Details unimportant: Many threshold and dose distributions give same P_{ν} .
 - Another example of a model where vulnerable/gullible population may be more important than a small group of super-spreaders or influentials.

Appendix: Details for Class I-II transition:

$$\begin{split} \phi^* &= \sum_{k=1}^T \binom{T}{k} P_k (p\phi^*)^k (1-p\phi^*)^{T-k}, \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^T \binom{T}{k} P_k (p\phi^*)^k \sum_{j=0}^{T-k} \binom{T-k}{j} (-p\phi^*)^j, \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^T \sum_{j=0}^{T-k} \binom{T}{k} \binom{T-k}{j} P_k (-1)^j (p\phi^*)^{k+j}, \\ &= \sum_{m=1}^T \sum_{k=1}^m \binom{T}{k} \binom{T-k}{m-k} P_k (-1)^{m-k} (p\phi^*)^m, \\ &= \sum_{m=1}^T C_m (p\phi^*)^m \end{split}$$

Appendix: Details for Class I-II transition:

$$C_m = (-1)^m \binom{T}{m} \sum_{k=1}^m (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} P_k,$$

since

$$\begin{pmatrix} T \\ k \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} T-k \\ m-k \end{pmatrix} &=& \frac{T!}{k!(T-k)!} \frac{(T-k)!}{(m-k)!(T-m)!} \\ &=& \frac{T!}{m!(T-m)!} \frac{m!}{k!(m-k)!} \\ &=& \begin{pmatrix} T \\ m \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} m \\ k \end{pmatrix}.$$

Appendix: Details for Class I-II transition:

Linearization gives

$$\phi^* \simeq C_1 p \phi^* + C_2 p_c^2 {\phi^*}^2$$
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where $C_1 = TP_1 (= 1/p_c)$ and $C_2 = \binom{T}{2}(-2P_1 + P_2).$

& Using $p_c = 1/(TP_1)$:

$$\phi^* \simeq \frac{C_1}{C_2 p_c^2} (p-p_c) = \frac{T^2 P_1^3}{(T-1)(P_1-P_2/2)} (p-p_c).$$

Sign of derivative governed by $P_1 - P_2/2$.

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