

# 2014 Biomath Seminar

# Epidemic Disease Modeling

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Gerardo Chowell  
Arizona State Univ.

**Quantifying the transmission potential of emerging infectious diseases using mathematical modeling**

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Hee-Dae Kwon  
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**Free terminal time optimal tracking control problem of a HIV model**

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Sunhwa Choi  
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**Modeling the joint epidemics of tuberculosis and smoking in South Korea**

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**Discussion**

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# Quantifying the transmission potential of emerging infectious diseases using mathematical modeling



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## **Abstract**

I will present two mathematical and estimation approaches to estimate the transmission potential of novel outbreaks of A/H7N9 influenza in China and Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS-CoV) in the Arabian Peninsula. For novel A/H7N9 influenza, we employed a Bayesian approach combined with a transmission model to estimate the reproduction number of A/H7N9 influenza among humans during February-May 2013. For the MERS-CoV outbreaks, we used branching process analysis and a compartmental stochastic model in a Markov-Chain Monte-Carlo (MCMC) estimation framework to clarify the contribution of zoonotic (index) cases and secondary (human-to-human) cases to the reproduction number of MERS-CoV.

## **Publications (selected papers out of 108)**

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Lee, S., Golinski, M., & Chowell, G. (2012). Modeling optimal age-specific vaccination strategies against pandemic influenza. *Bulletin of mathematical biology*, 74(4), 958-980.

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# Free terminal time optimal tracking control problem of a HIV model



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## Abstract

Minimum duration of treatment periods and optimal multidrug therapies for human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) type 1 infection are considered. We formulate an optimal tracking problem attempting to drive the states of the model to the "healthy" steady state in which the viral load is low and the immune response is strong. We study an optimal time frame as well as HIV therapeutic strategies by analyzing the free terminal time optimal tracking control problem. The minimum duration of the treatment and optimal therapies are found by solving the corresponding optimality systems with the additional transversality condition for the terminal time. We demonstrate by numerical simulations that optimal dynamic multidrug therapies can lead to long-term control of HIV by the strong immune response after discontinuation of therapy.

## Publications

Kwon, H. D., Lee, J., & Yoon, M. (2014). An Age-Structured Model with Immune Response of HIV Infection: Modeling and Optimal Control Approach. *Discrete and continuous dynamical systems-series B*, 19(1), 153-172.

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Adams, B. M., Banks, H. T., Kwon, H. D., & Tran, H. T. (2004). Dynamic multidrug therapies for HIV: Optimal and STI control approaches. *Mathematical Biosciences and Engineering*, 1(2), 223-241.

# Modeling the joint epidemics of tuberculosis and smoking in South Korea



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## Abstract

Tuberculosis (TB) is the top three fatal infections of man worldwide and it has been considered one of the most serious problems facing South Korea. Moreover, smoking has long been associated with tuberculosis. In this article, we formulate a TB-smoking model to determine possible TB transmission mechanisms and to explore the effect of smoking on TB infection dynamics. The least-squares fitting has been used for estimating model parameters to the observed data of active-TB incidence and relapse, and data of smoking rate in South Korea. We have applied the optimal control theory to the developed mathematical model, in order to propose optimal treatment strategies. The five controls representing "TB distancing control, TB case finding control, TB case holding control, smoking distancing control, and quit-smoking control" are considered, with purpose of minimizing the numbers of infectious and exposed individuals and costs of implementing the control treatment.

## Publications

Whang, S., Choi, S., & Jung, E. (2011). A dynamic model for tuberculosis transmission and optimal treatment strategies in South Korea. *Journal of theoretical biology*, 279(1), 120-131.

Choi, S., & Jung, E. (2014). Optimal Tuberculosis Prevention and Control Strategy from a Mathematical Model Based on Real Data. *Bulletin of mathematical biology*, 1-24.

CHOI, S., LEE, J., & JUNG, E. (2014). Optimal Strategies for Prevention of Ecstasy Use. *Journal of the Korean Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics*, 18(1), 1-15.

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