Optimization for AED placement and emergency response

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Today's topics

- Understand where (and when) OHCA <u>risk</u> is...
 - Data analytics
 - Simulation
 - Stochastic modeling
- ...and then **optimize** AED placements accordingly
 - Integer optimization (robust, stochastic)
 - Queuing
 - Routing

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Toronto's PATH System



Results: Spatial Risk and OHCA Characteristics

Characteristic	PATH-accessible (n = 49)	Downtown (n = 371)	p-values [†]	Toronto (n = 1752)	p-values [‡]
Age, mean \pm SD, yrs	60.4 ± 18.0	55.2 ± 16.9	0.047	61.5 ± 17.4	0.662
Male proportion, %	89.8	83.6	0.259	80.6	0.106
Bystander Witness, n (%)	41 (83.7)	214 (58.5)	0.001	1091 (62.6)	0.003
Bystander CPR, n (%)	36 (73.5)	196 (53.0)	0.007	991 (56.6)	0.019
Bystander AED use, n (%)	20 (42.6)	51 (14.1)	< 0.001	189 (11.0)	<0.001
911 Call-to-arrival, mean \pm SD, min	5.34 ± 1.44	5.45 ± 2.15	0.736	6.30 ± 2.30	0.004
911 Call-to-first rhythm analysis, mean \pm SD, min	9.43 ± 3.71	10.65 ± 10.88	0.486	10.61 ± 4.29	0.089
911 Call-to-first shock [*] , mean \pm SD, min	10.76 ± 4.82	12.61 ± 6.59	0.178	12.93 ± 6.72	0.109
Shockable, n (%)	35 (72.9)	147 (40.3)	< 0.001	786 (45.5)	<0.001
Survival, n (%)	16 (33.3)	66 (18.2)	0.014	319 (18.5)	0.009
Survival among shockable, n (%)	14 (41.2)	52 (36.1)	0.582	264 (34.2)	0.402
Survival among non-shockable, n (%)	1 (7.7)	11 (5.2)	0.693	43 (4.6)	0.603
Bys. CPR among bystander-witnessed, n (%)	32 (78.0)	138 (64.5)	0.091	683 (62.7)	0.045
Bys. AED use among bystander-witnessed, n (%)	19 (47.5)	36 (17.4)	< 0.001	134 (12.6)	<0.001



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Coffee, Tea or an AED?

 How many cardiac arrests occurred <u>within 100 m</u> of certain businesses and public points of interest <u>when</u> <u>those locations were actually open</u>?



Results: Top 10 List

Rank	Location Type‡	Location Category	Actual Coverage	Assumed 24/7 Coverage (Rank)	No. of Facilities (Rank)	Coverage Efficiency (Rank)	Coverage Loss, % (Rank)
1	Tim Hortons	Coffee shop	200	234 (1)	312 (2)	0.64 (18)	14.5 (16)
2	RBC ATM	Bank ATM	172	193 <mark>(</mark> 2)	264 (4)	0.65 (16)	10.9 (12)
3	Subway	Restaurant chain	162	190 <mark>(</mark> 3)	281 (3)	0.58 (21)	14.7 (17)
4	Scotiabank ATM	Bank ATM	136	148 <mark>(</mark> 5)	181 (9)	0.75 (7)	8.1 (9)
5	CIBC ATM	Bank ATM	134	152 <mark>(</mark> 4)	187 (8)	0.72 (8)	11.8 (13)
6	Green P Parking	Parking lot	127	135 (7)	229 (5)	0.55 (23)	5.9 (7)
7	TD ATM	Bank ATM	121	146 (6)	178 (10)	0.68 (14)	17.1 (19)
8	Starbucks	Coffee shop	104	125 <mark>(</mark> 8)	166 (11)	0.63 (19)	16.8 (18)
9	BMO ATM	Bank ATM	101	104 (10)	142 (13)	0.71 (9)	2.9 (6)
10	Pizza Pizza	Restaurant chain	69	90 (12)	100 (19)	0.69 (12)	23.3 (23)







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A First Optimization Model

- Data
 - Five years of OHCAs
 - Locations of existing, registered AEDs
 - Large database of public buildings



- Optimization model to place AEDs to maximize cardiac arrest coverage
- Compared with population-guided approach to AED placement based on estimated daytime population spread across buildings in a census tract















Performance (coverage) based of the OHCAs in the test sets, summed over the 10 folds

Results

 Optimization approach consistently outperforms population-guided approach



Registered AEDs in Toronto



Where Do You Place the Next 30 AEDs?



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Spatiotemporal Optimization Model

- Most studies focus on spatial factors; limited study of temporal factors
 - American Heart Association guidelines: place AEDs "in public locations where there is a relatively high likelihood of witnessed cardiac arrest"
- Two related questions:
 - How much is AED availability overestimated when we do not consider building hours of operation?



Automated External Defibrillators Inaccessible to More Than Half

Methods

• Data

- Eight years of historical cardiac arrest data
- Location and hours of operation for registered AEDs
- Analysis
 - Assumed 24/7 coverage: number of cardiac arrests that occur within 100 m of AED
 - Actual coverage: number of cardiac arrests that occur within 100 m of AED <u>and</u> when the AED is available

Results: Characteristics of Cardiac Arrests

		Cardiac	Cardiac Arrests			
Characteristic*	Total (n=2440)	Daytime (n=1252)	Evening (n=840)	Night (n=348)		
Average age ±SD	59.0±17.5	60.3±17.9	58.9±16.8	54.6±16.9		
Male	58.9±16.7	60.1±17.2	58.7±16.1	55.1±15.7		
Female	59.4±20.6	61.1±21.0	60.3±19.5	52.6±20.7		
Male sex, n (%)	1979 (81.1)	1021 (81.5)	686 (81.7)	272 (78.2)		
Witnessed by bystander, n (%)	1142 (46.8 <u>)</u>	590 (47.1)	446 (53.1)	106 (30.5)		
Received bystander CPR, n (%)	1019 (41.8)	533 (42.6)	371 (44.2)	115 (33.0)		
Bystander applied AED, n (%)	191 (7.8)	96 (7.7)	75 (8.9)	20 (5.8)		
Ambulance response interval, median (IQR), minutes	5.88 (2.68)	5.75 (2.60)	5.82 (2.62)	6.45 (2.58)		
Initial cardiac rhythm, n (%)						
Shockable	868 (35.6)	465 (37.1)	327 (38.9)	76 (21.8)		
Not Shockable	1504 (61.6)	747 (59.7)	494 (58.8)	263 (75.6)		
Survival to discharge, n (%)	361 (14.8)	196 (15.7)	129 (15.4)	36 (10.3)		

Results: AED Availability in Toronto



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Results: Coverage Loss by Time of Day



Results: Coverage Loss by Location Type

Location Type	Number of	OHCAs co			
	locations	Assumed 24/7	Actual	Coverage	
	with an AED,	coverage,	coverage,	loss (%)	
	n (%)	n	n		
School	190 (25.8)	68	41	39.7	
Recreation/sports facility	165 (22.4)	89	56	37.1	
Transportation facility	93 (12.6)	144	144	0.0	
Industrial facility	62 (8.4)	28	17	39.3	
Office	54 (7.3)	56	36	35.7	

Discussion: Toronto vs. Copenhagen

	Toronto	Copenhagen (Hansen et al*)					
Overall coverage loss	21.5%	33.5%					
Percent of AEDs available 24/7	26.5%	9.1%					
Daytime coverage loss	5.7%	4.1%					
Evening, night, and weekends coverage loss	31.6%	53.4%					
Location Type Coverage Loss							
Schools	39.7%	40.8%					
Transportation Facilities/Train Stations	0.0%	0.0%					
Offices	35.7%	49.0%					
Recreation/Sports Facilities	37.1%	12.5%					

*Hansen, C. M., Wissenberg, M., Weeke, P., Ruwald, M. H., Lamberts, M., Lippert, F. K., ... Folke, F. (2013). Automated external defibrillators inaccessible to more than half of nearby cardiac arrests in public locations during evening, nighttime, and weekends. *Circulation*, *128*(20), 2224–31. doi:10.1161/CIRCULATIONAHA.113.003066

Spatiotemporal Optimization Model

- What is the improvement potential if we deploy "prospective" AEDs with knowledge of building hours?
- Compare an optimization model that combines both spatial and temporal information with one that uses spatial information only

Methods

- Data
 - Eight years of historical cardiac arrest data
 - Location and hours of operation for registered AEDs
 - Location and hours of operation for candidate AED sites
- Model
 - Spatial (basic) model: Place AEDs in N locations to maximize assumed 24/7 coverage of cardiac arrests
 - Spatiotemporal model: Place AEDs in N locations to maximize actual coverage of cardiac arrests
 - 10-fold cross validation (90/10 training/testing)

Model Comparison



Results: Spatiotemporal Optimization



Results: Coverage Gain Due to Spatiotemporal Opt.

- Relative coverage gain = (spatiotemporal spatial) spatial
- Overall coverage gain: weighted average over N



Generalizing the Spatiotemporal Approach



Toronto, Canada

Copenhagen, Denmark



Time of day

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Vertical AED Placement

- Almost all studies have focused on "2D" problem
- Response delays and lower survival in highrises
- No guidelines on vertical AED placement



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Out-of-hospital cardiac arrest in high-rise buildings: delays to patient care and effect on survival

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Elevator vs. Lobby?







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Drone-Delivered AEDs

- Most OHCAs occur in private locations
- Drones are being tested to deliver everything from pizza to medicine
- Specialized AED-drones exist



- Where would you put drone bases?
- How many drones would you need?
- How do drones compare to existing EMS response?

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Defibrillator Drone



Objective

The goal of this study is to develop a mathematical approach that determines:

- 1. the number and location of drone bases, and
- 2. the number of the drones required at each base,

to meet any AED arrival time goal in any geographical area.

Data

- 8 regions
 - 7.5 million people
 - 10,000 sq. miles
- 53,702 OHCAs from 2006 to 2014
 - 86% private location
 - 7.8% survival
- 538 paramedic, fire, and police stations



Mathematical Model

- Two-stage mathematical model:
- 1. Optimization model to determine base locations to cover *f*% of historical OHCAs in under *t* minutes
- Queuing model to determine number of drones at each base so there is 99% chance drone is free when a OHCA occurs inside that base's catchment area

Analysis

- Determine the number and location of drones to improve the historical median 911 response by 1, 2, and 3 minutes
- Compare region-specific drone networks with coordinated drone-network integrating all eight regions

Results: An Example Drone Network

- 23 bases, 37 drones:
 - Reduce median response time by 1 minute
 - Reduce 90th percentile response time by over 6 min in some regions
 - Drone arrives ahead of EMS
 2/3 of the time



Drone Network Performance

		Region								
	Goal	Toronto	Durham	Simcoe	Muskoka	Peel	Hamilton	Halton	York	All
Number of bases (number of total drones)	1 min. faster	3 (6)	3 (6)	5 (6)	3 (3)	2 (4)	1 (2)	3 (4)	3 (6)	23 (37)
	2 min. faster	6 (12)	5 (7)	11 (12)	5 (5)	4 (8)	1 (2)	3 (4)	5 (7)	40 (57)
	3 min. faster	13 (26)	14 (16)	20 (20)	6 (6)	10 (11)	5 (7)	5 (5)	8 (9)	81 (100)
Proportion of cases where drone AED arrives prior to 911 (%)	1 min. faster	69.0	64.2	65.0	76.3	71.7	54.1	64.4	63.9	67.9
	2 min. faster	87.6	82.1	78.6	79.7	84.7	75.3	73.9	79.5	84.6
	3 min. faster	96.1	94.6	89.6	84.2	94.6	92.2	92.7	89.2	94.6

Impact on Response Time Distribution



Results: Equity vs. Efficiency



Summary of Past/Current Work

- Data-driven mathematical models for AED placement or delivery
 - Models that improve accessibility or consider bystander response
 - Utilizing drones to deliver AEDs, other medicines
 - Application to new contexts (LMICs, indoor networks)

Going Forward

- Continue to be interested in innovative applications of optimization in emergency response
 - New problem contexts
 - Integrating static and moving AEDs
 - Simulated clinical trials
 - High-rise response
 - Traffic accidents
 - Centralized decision-making systems
 - New technologies
 - Optimal notification radius for mobile app-based responders
 - Analysis of wearables data
 - OHCA recognition via security systems

Thank You!