

Introduction to Compartmental Models

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- Example: population growth, predator prey, SIR models

?/?/? Models



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Make explicit hypotheses about biological mechanisms that drive dynamics (may not be realistic, but still explicit)

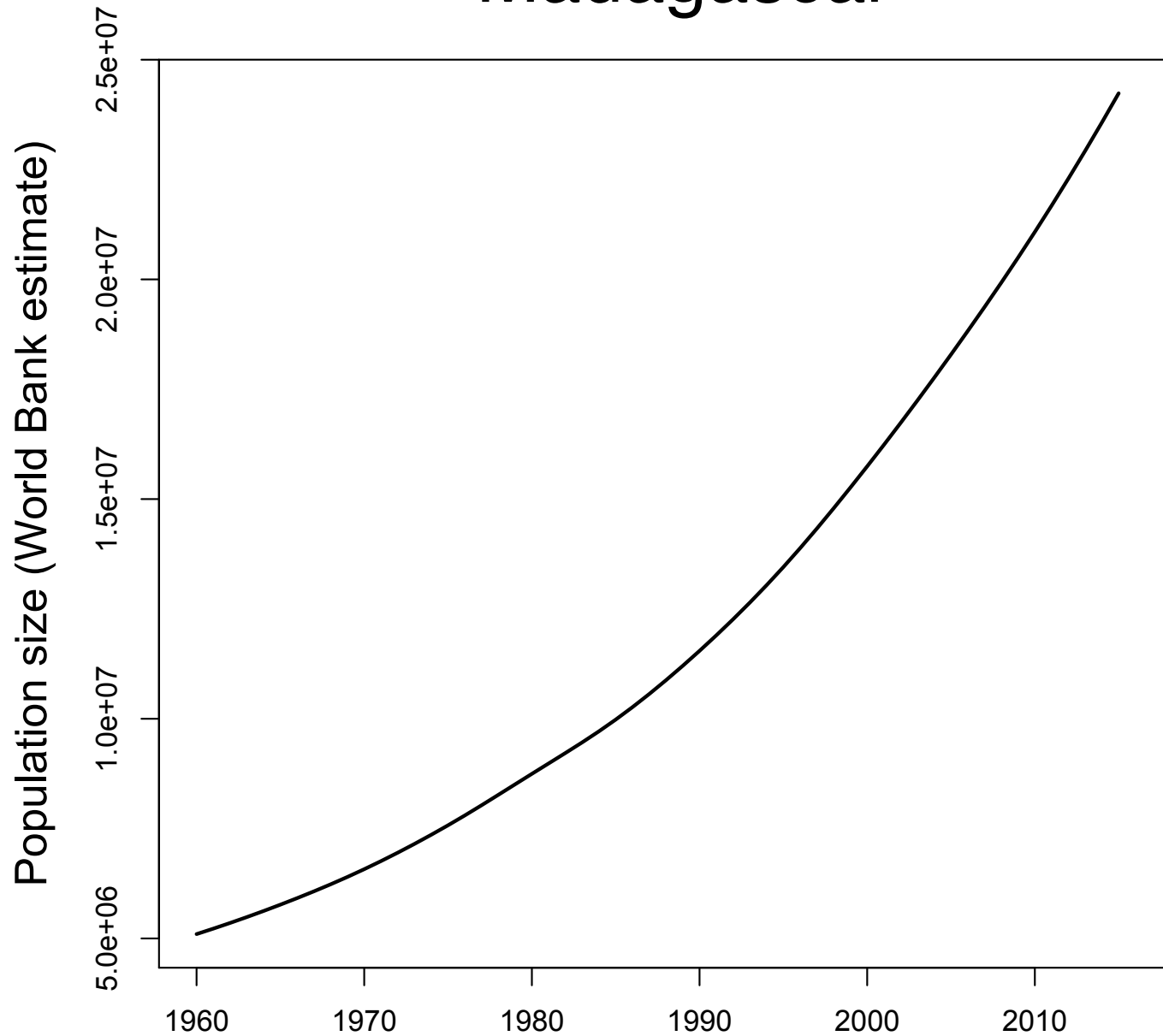
Faire des hypothèses explicites sur les mécanismes biologiques qui régissent la dynamique de l'infection (peut ne pas être réaliste, mais toujours explicite)



1. Simple Population Models

1. Modèles simples de population

Madagascar



<http://databank.worldbank.org>

What can we say
about the
population of
Madagascar?

How would a
model help us?
What kind of
model should we
use?

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How does the population of Madagascar grow over time?

Comment est-ce que la population de Madagascar s'augmente avec le passage du temps?

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Square = compartment



N = state variable = the data we want to explain

What is the *precise* definition of N?

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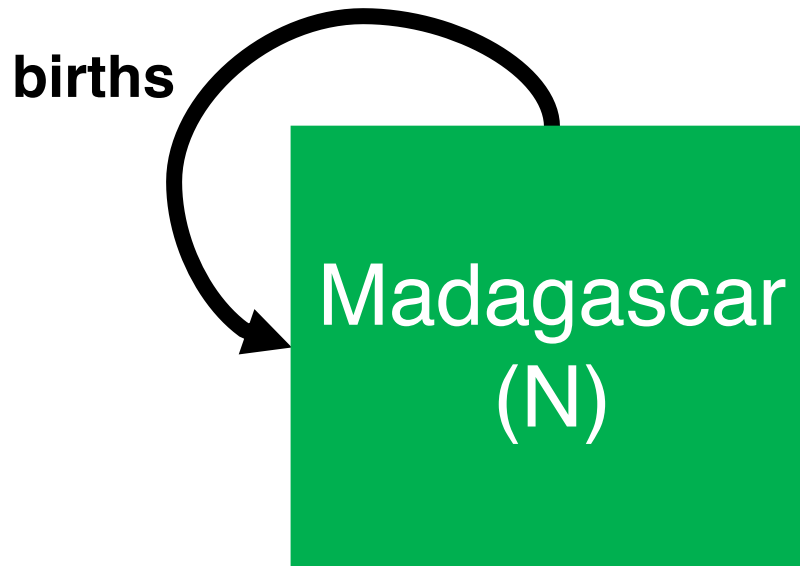
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How does the population grow?

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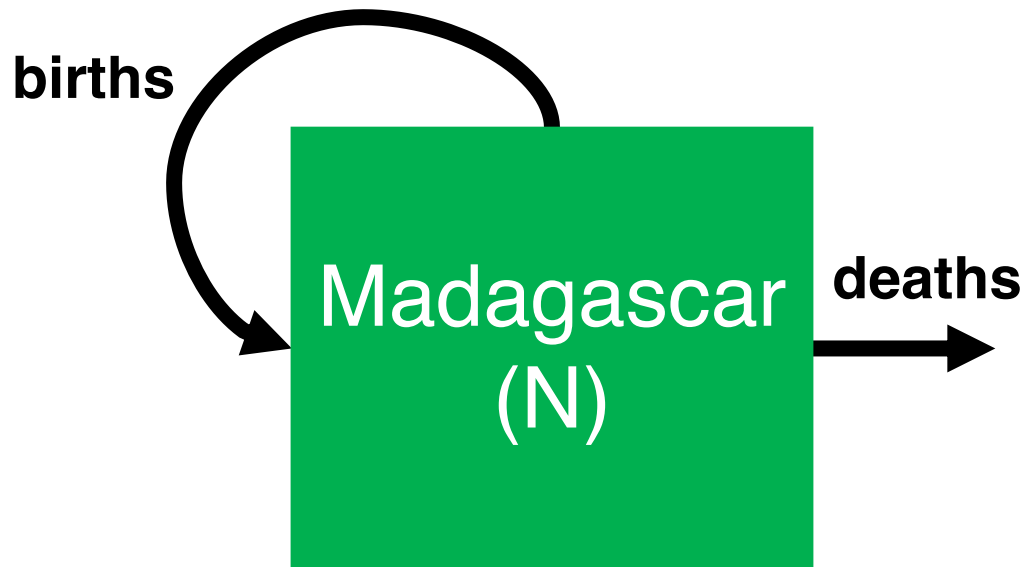


How does the population decrease?

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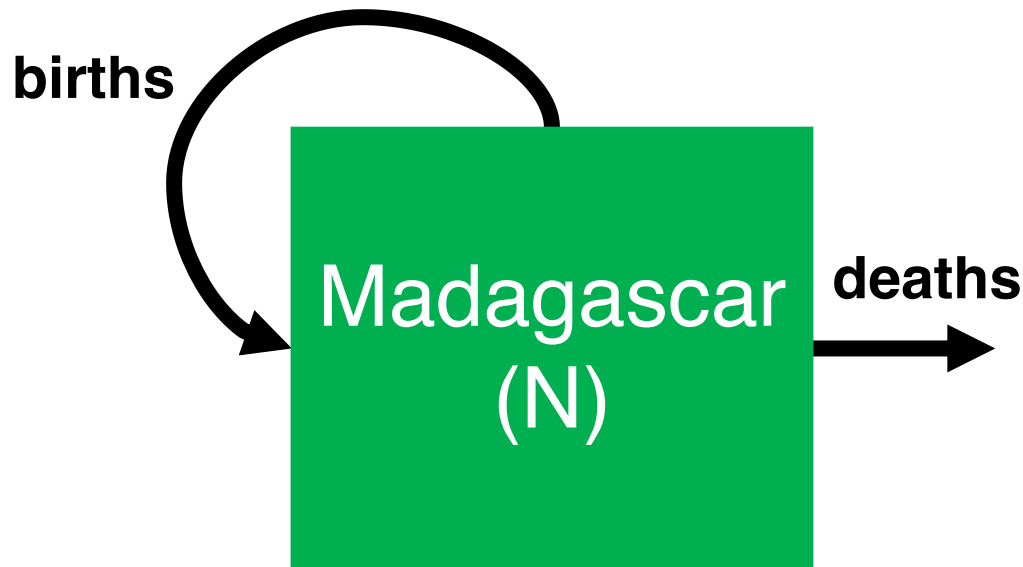


What is a big assumption we are making here?

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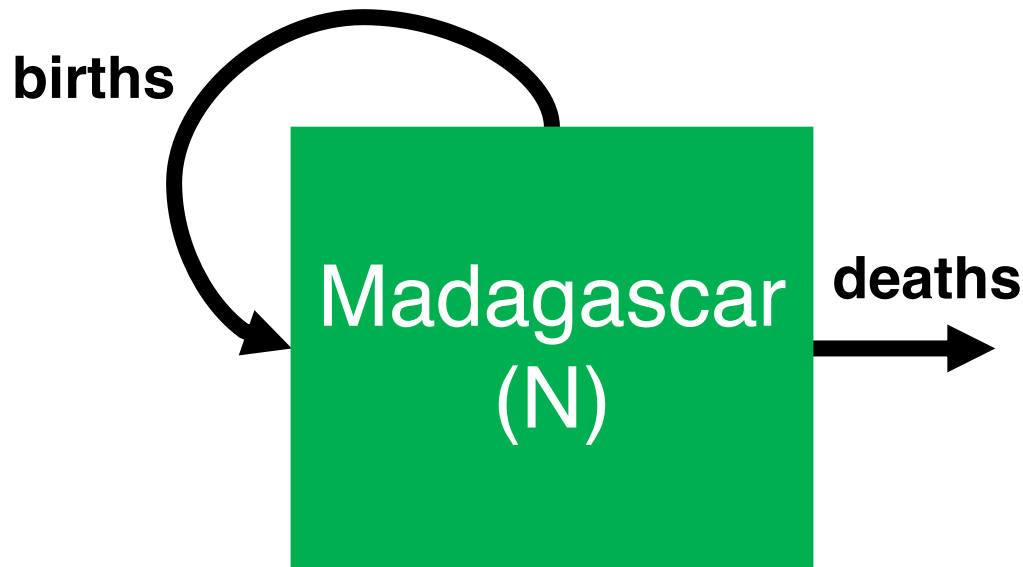


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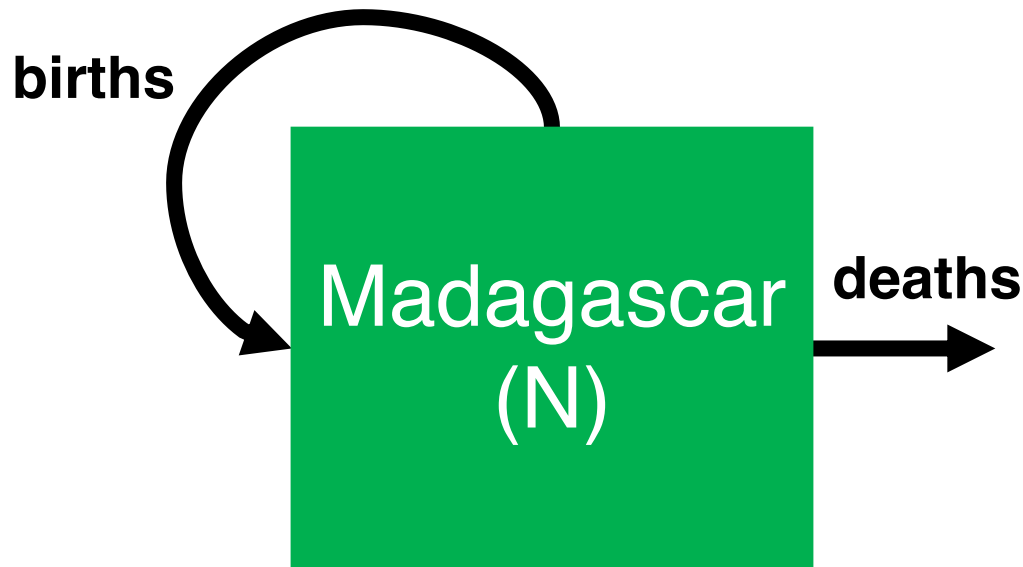


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$$N_{t+1} = (\text{births} - \text{deaths}) * N_t$$

$$N_{t+1} = \lambda * N_t$$

λ = pop intrinsic growth rate

What are the main assumptions of a simple population model?

Closed population

Homogenous mixing

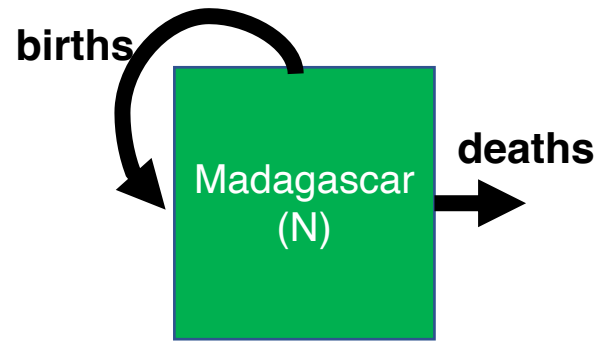
Same birth and death rate for each person

What is lambda?

Population intrinsic growth rate



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Population rate of increase
Taux d'accroissement de la population

$$\lambda = \frac{N_t}{N_{t+1}}$$

← pop size at t

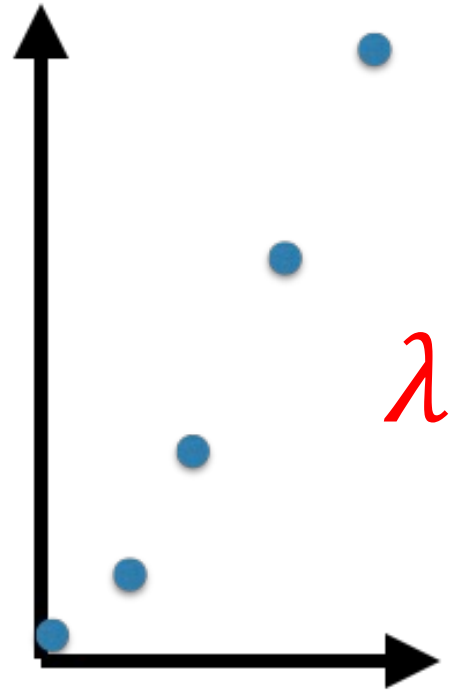
← pop size at t+1

This is for one time step, how do we generalize this equation to work for all time steps?

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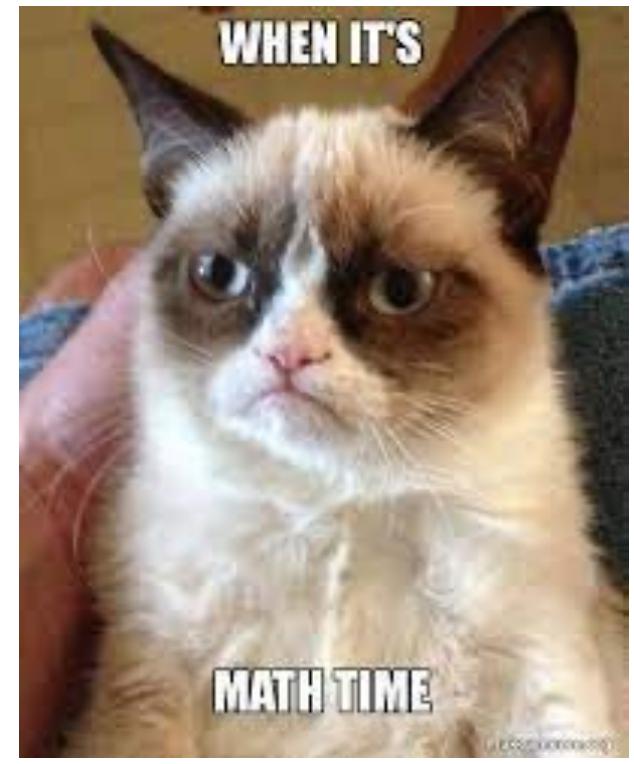


Discrete time



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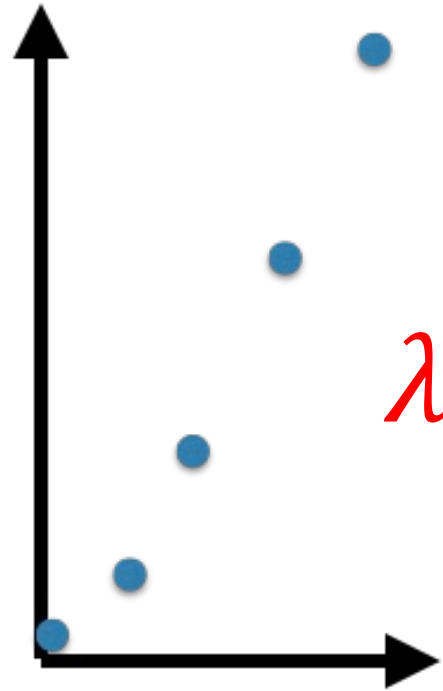
- $N_1 =$
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- $N_t =$



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λ

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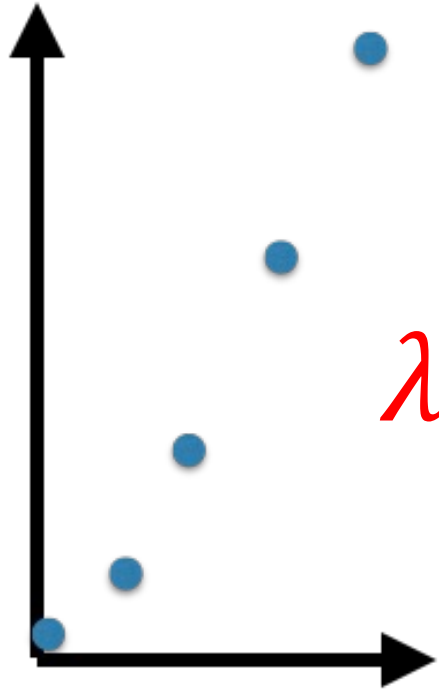
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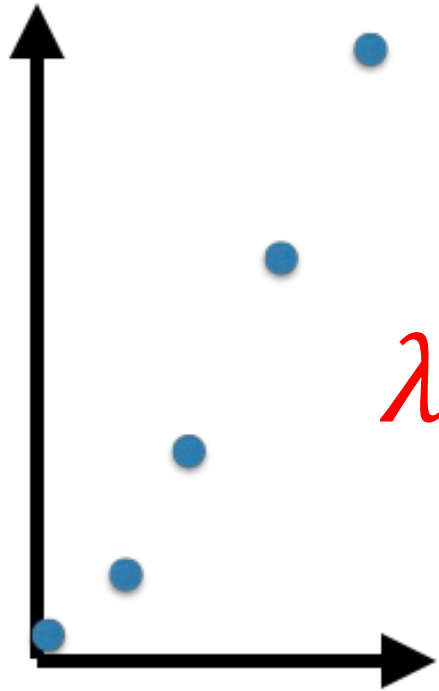
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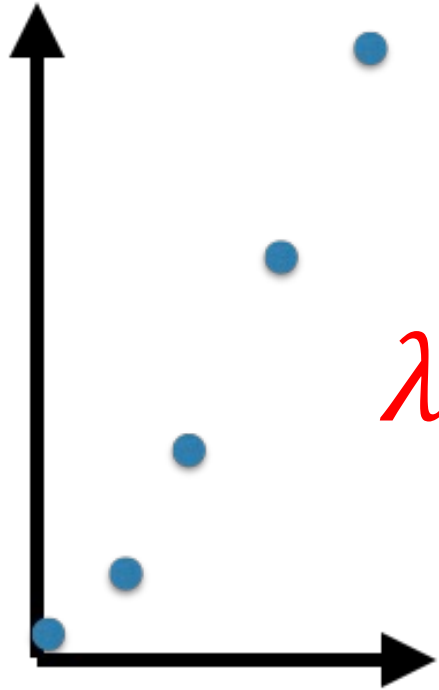
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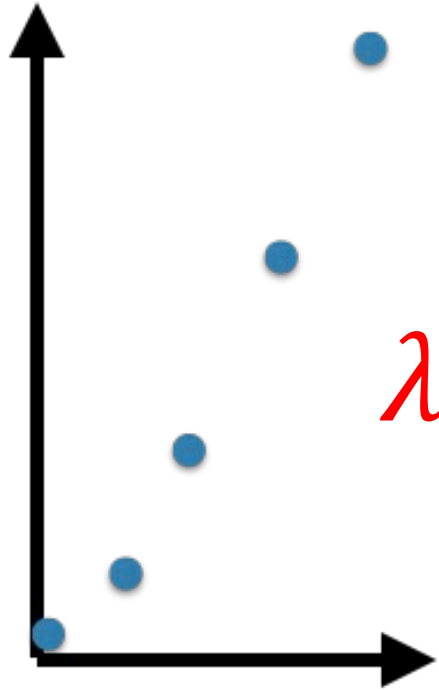
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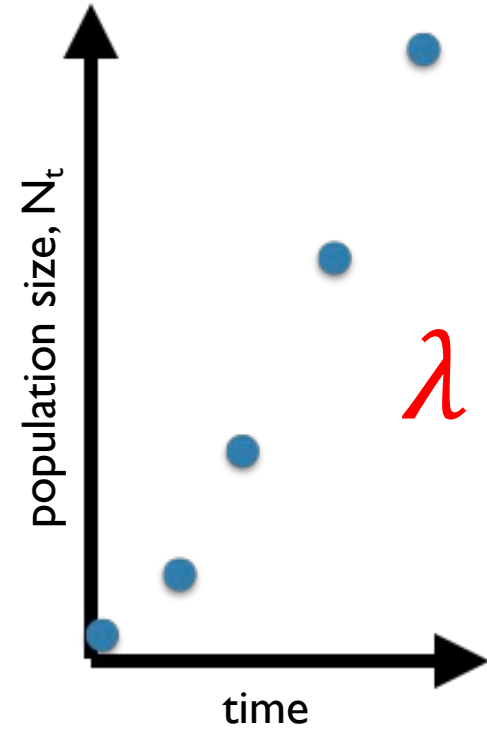
What if we want to know the population size for any time t ? Not just where we have data?

$$N_t = \lambda^t N_0$$

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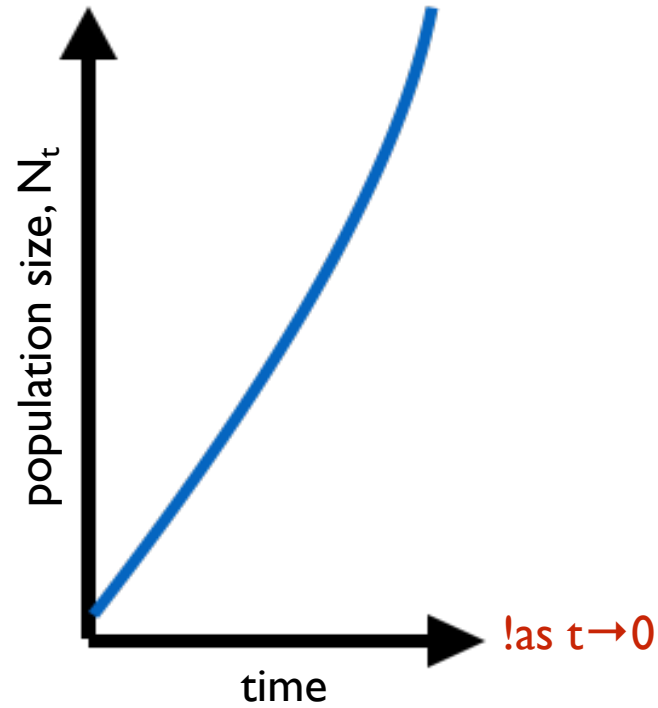


Discrete time



$$= \frac{N_t}{N_{t+1}}$$

Continuous time



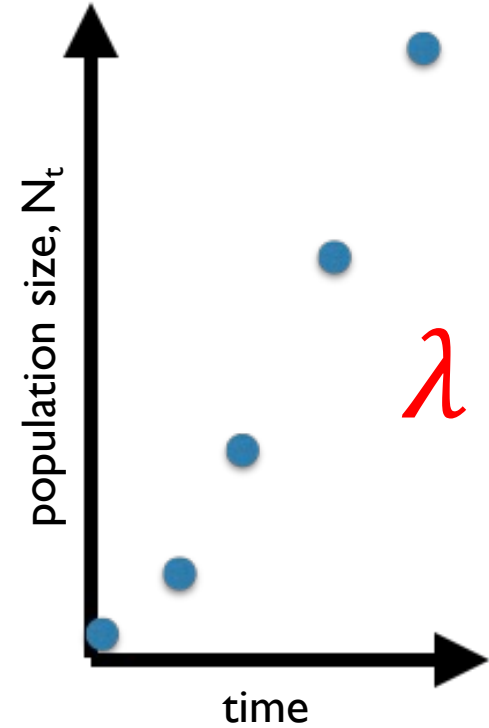
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How do we get the same type of equation but for continuous time?

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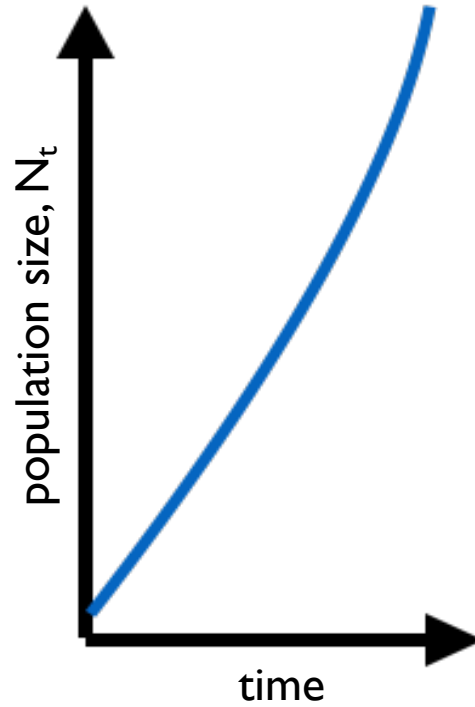


λ

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Continuous time



$$r = \frac{N_t - N_0}{t}$$

!as $t \rightarrow 0$

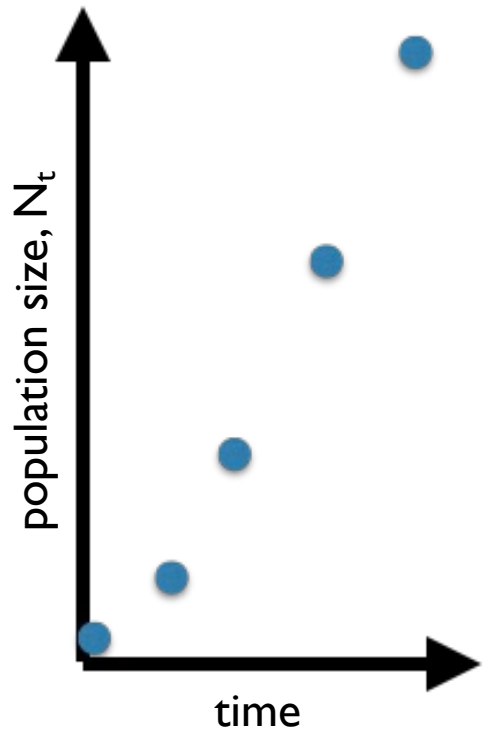
$$\frac{dN}{dt} = rN$$

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Continuous time

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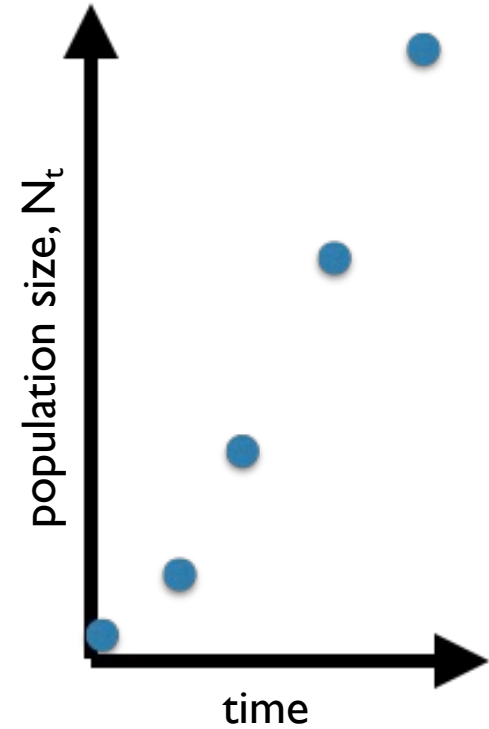
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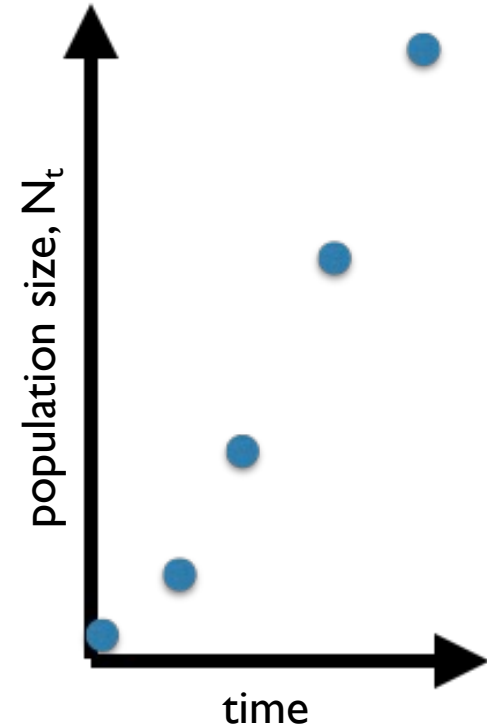
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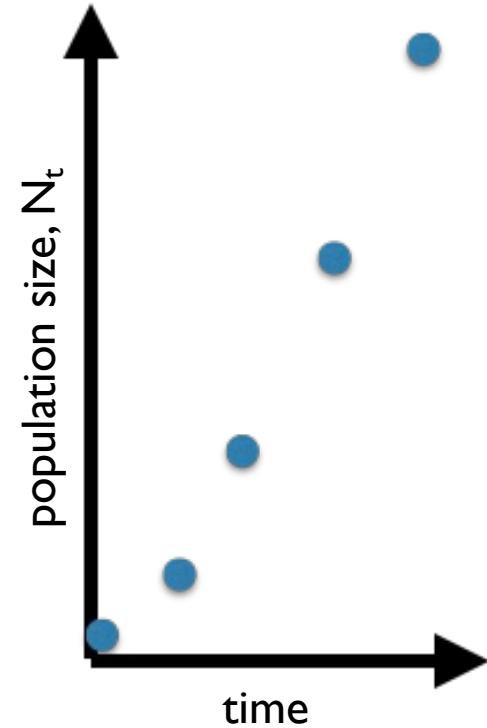
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Integrate both sides:

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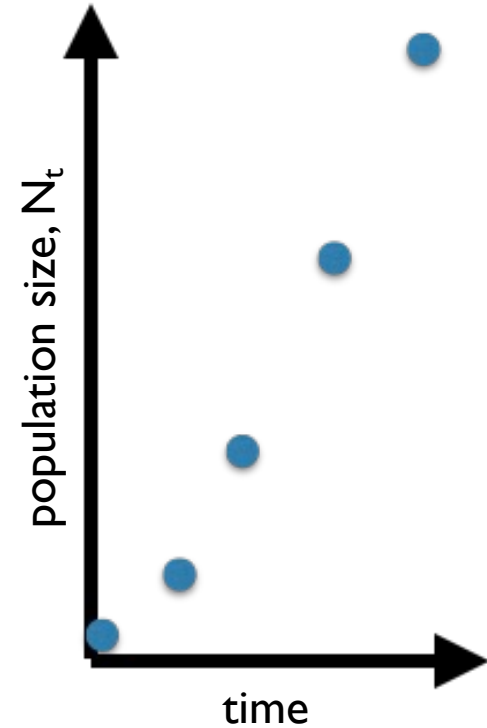
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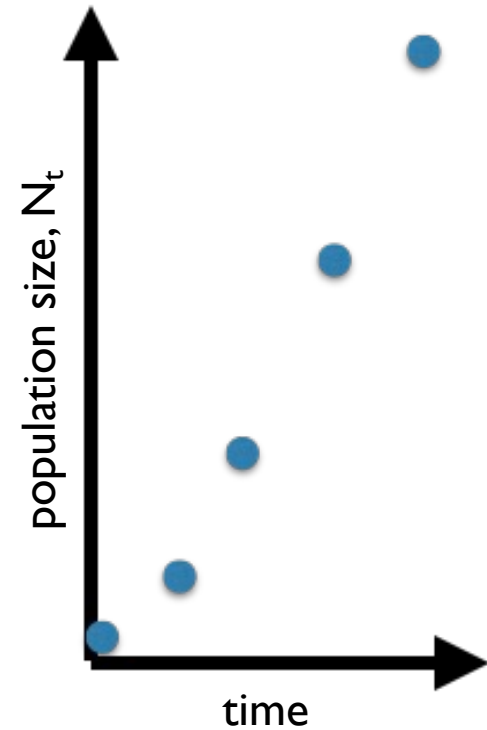
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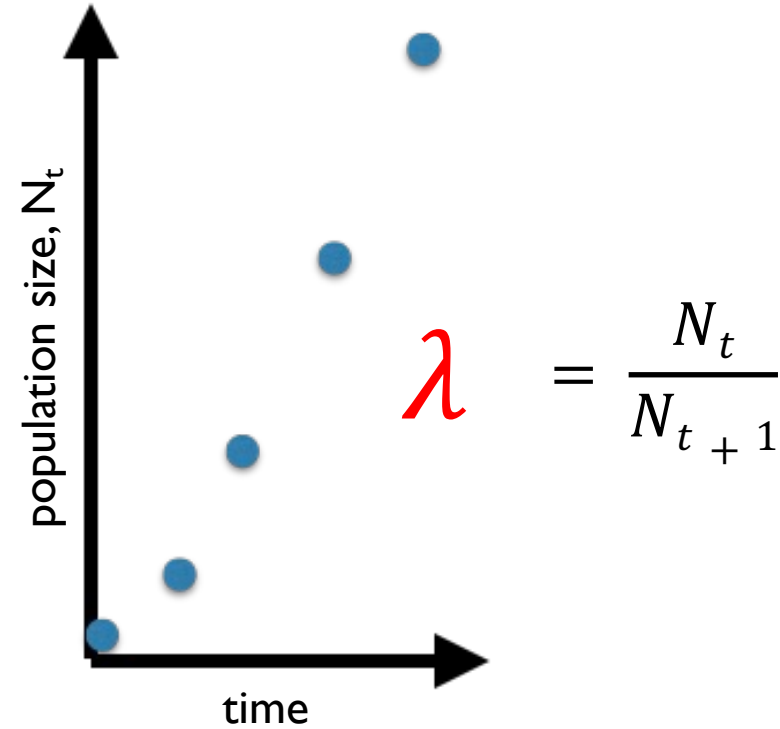
Solve for $N(t)$:

$$N_t = N_0 e^{rt}$$

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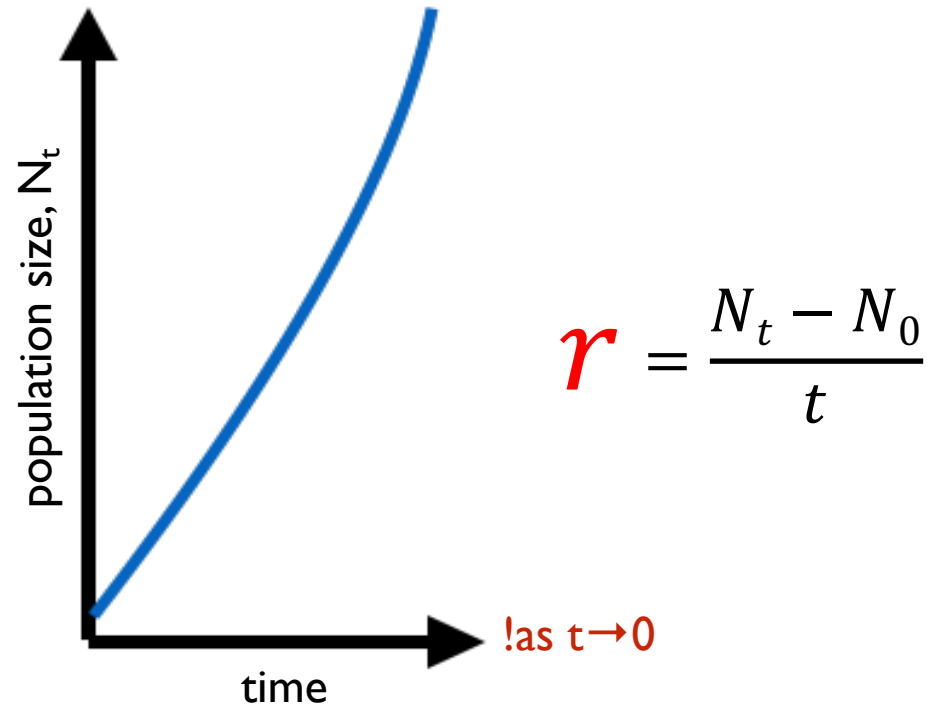


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Discrete



Continuous

Continuous models can be discretized; discrete models can be approximated by continuous ones. The appropriate framing may depend on the data / question.

What is the difference between discrete and continuous models?

Discrete: state variable only changes at distinct time steps

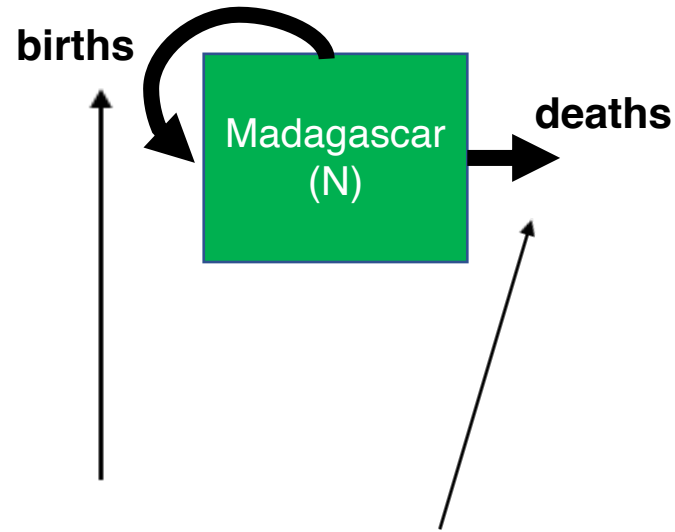
Continuous: state variables change continuously (tiny tiny time steps)

What math is used in discrete pop models? Continuous pop models?

Algebra, calculus



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What about those rates?
Are they the same every year?
And in every person? Why might they be different?

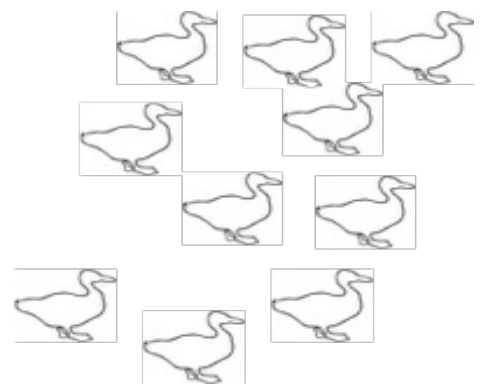
Reproductive age
Death rate increasing with age
Diseases/other health factors

How do we incorporate this 'randomness'?

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starting population



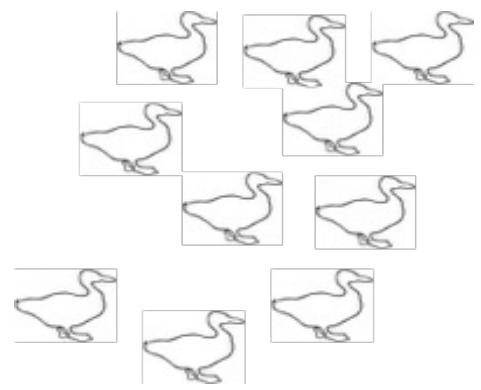
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if **deterministic** "always the same"

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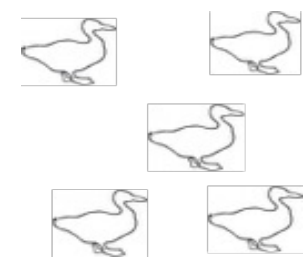


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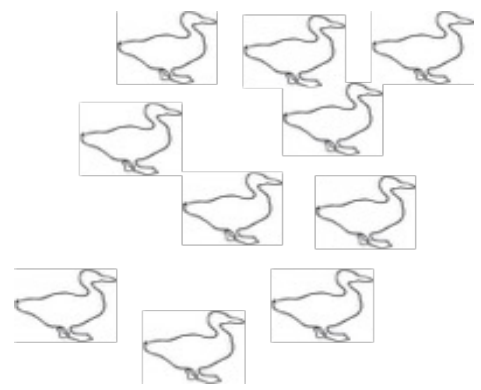
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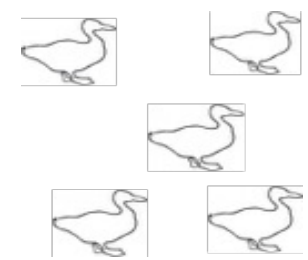


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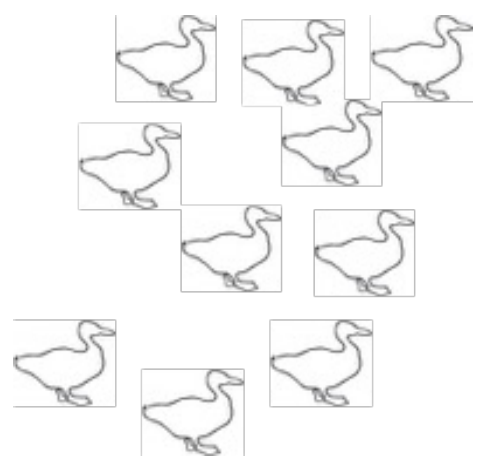


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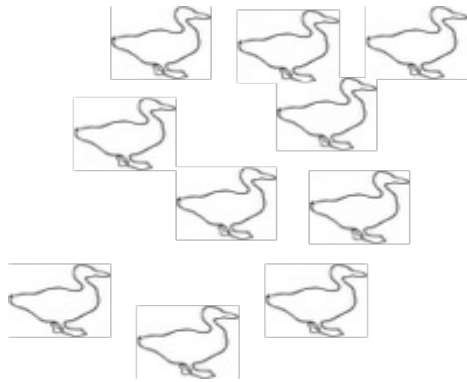
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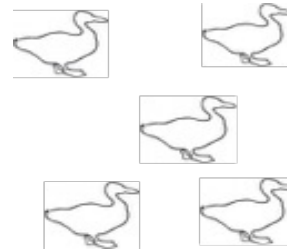


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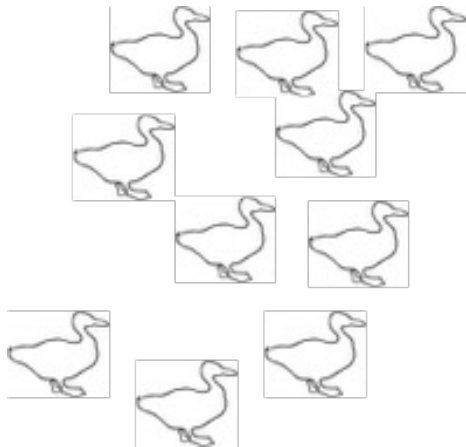


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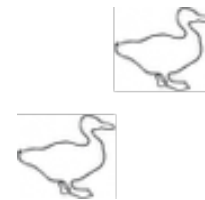


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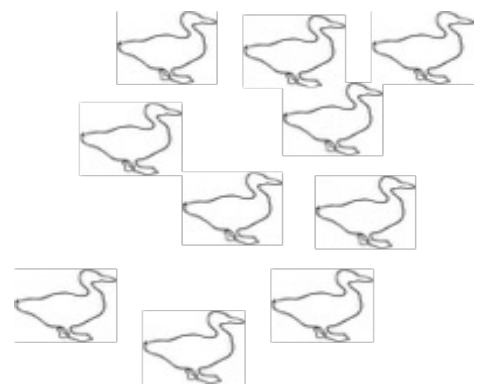
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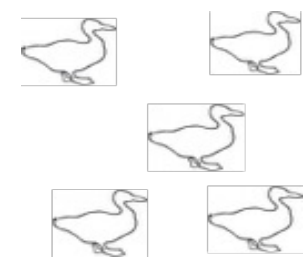


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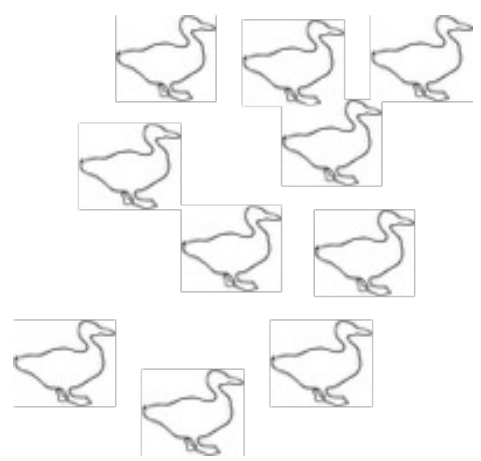


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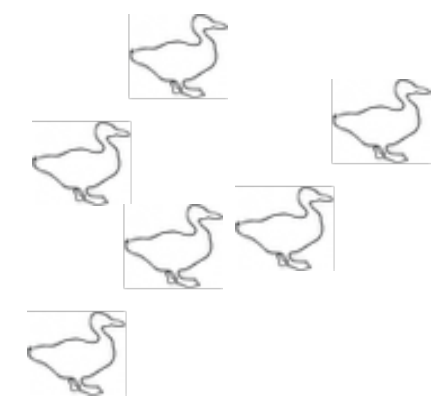


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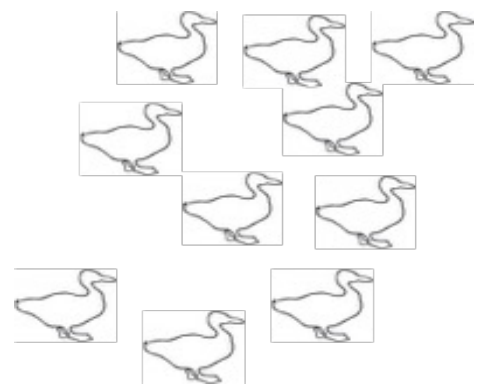
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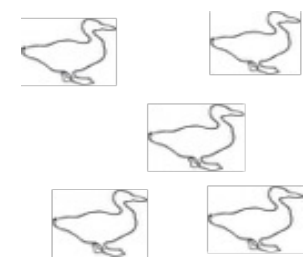


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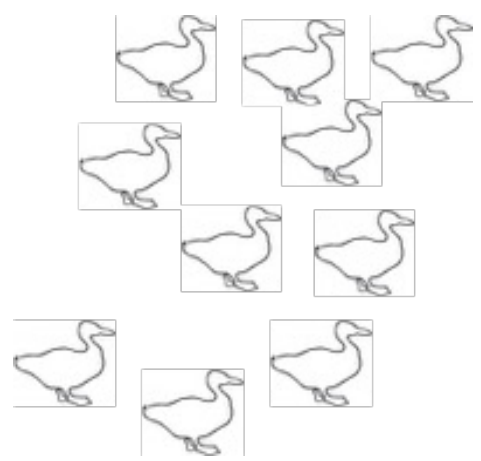


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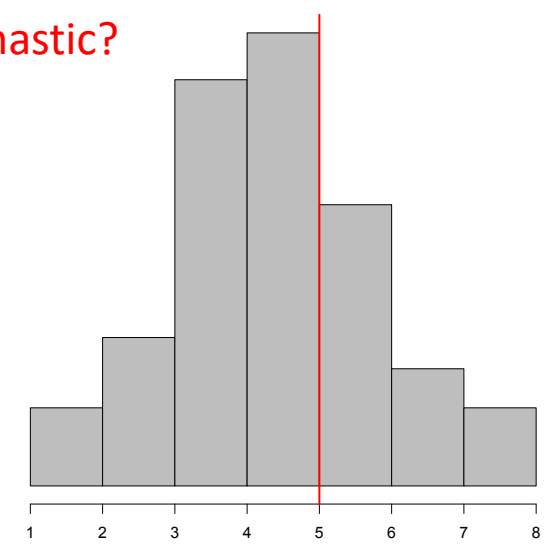
starting population



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`rbinom(200,10,0.5)`

if **stochastic?**

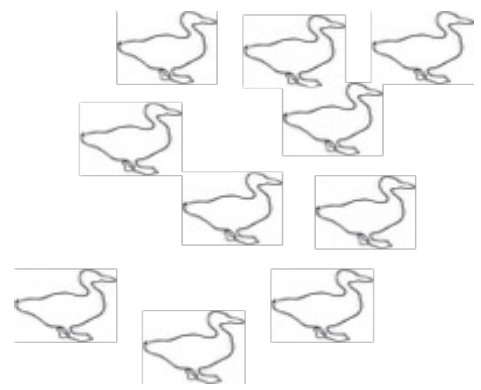


N surviving ducks

The basic population model

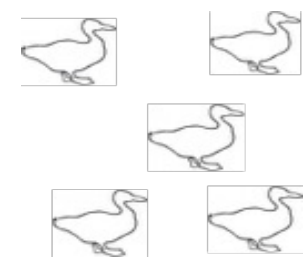


starting population



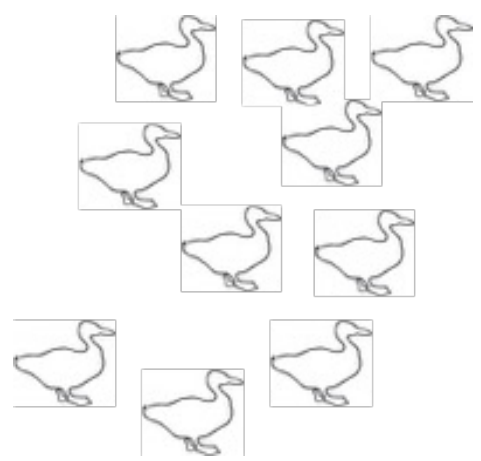
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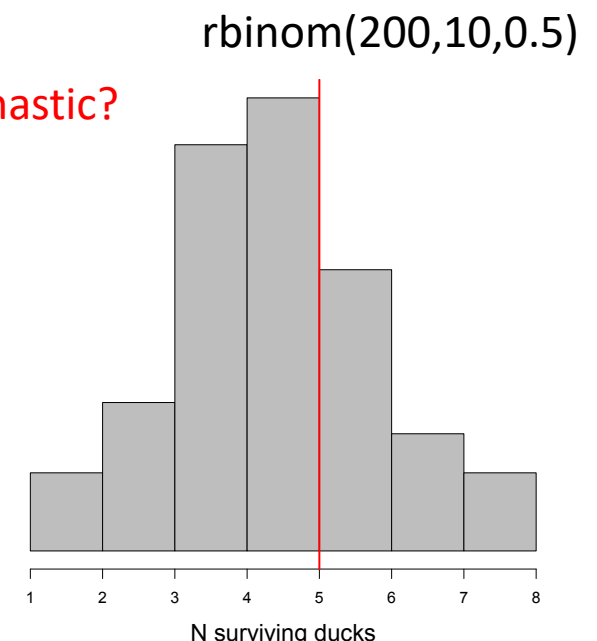
If you test your 10 ducks many times, on average you get 5

starting population



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if **stochastic?**



What is the difference between deterministic and stochastic?

Deterministic = always the same

Stochastic = up to chance



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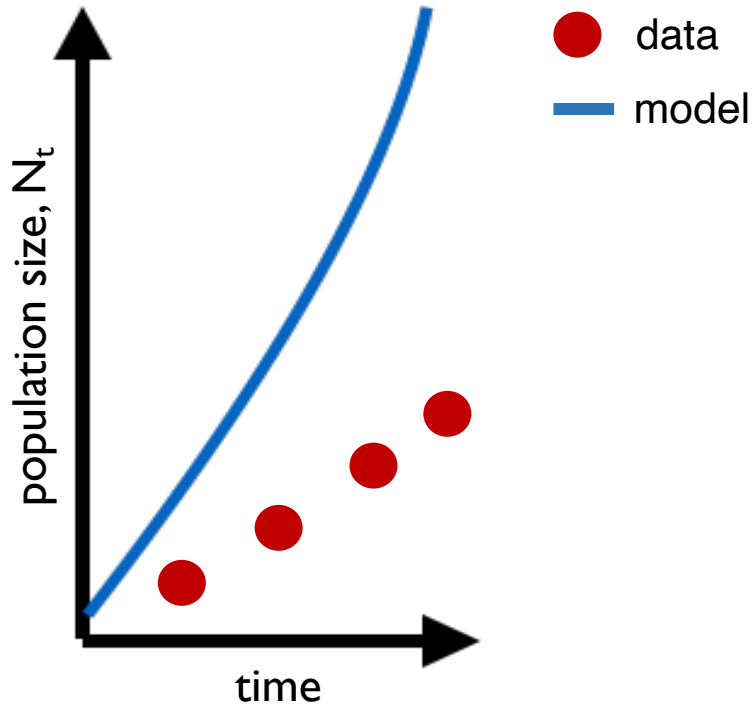
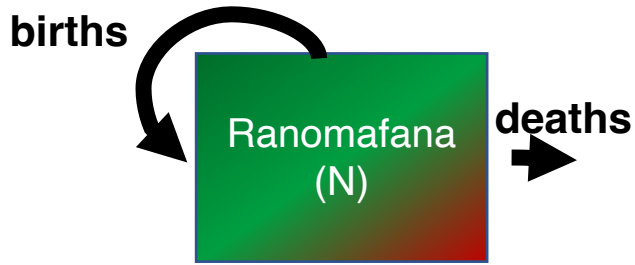
Modèles déterministique vs. stochastique



2. Structured Population Models

2. Modèles de la population structurée

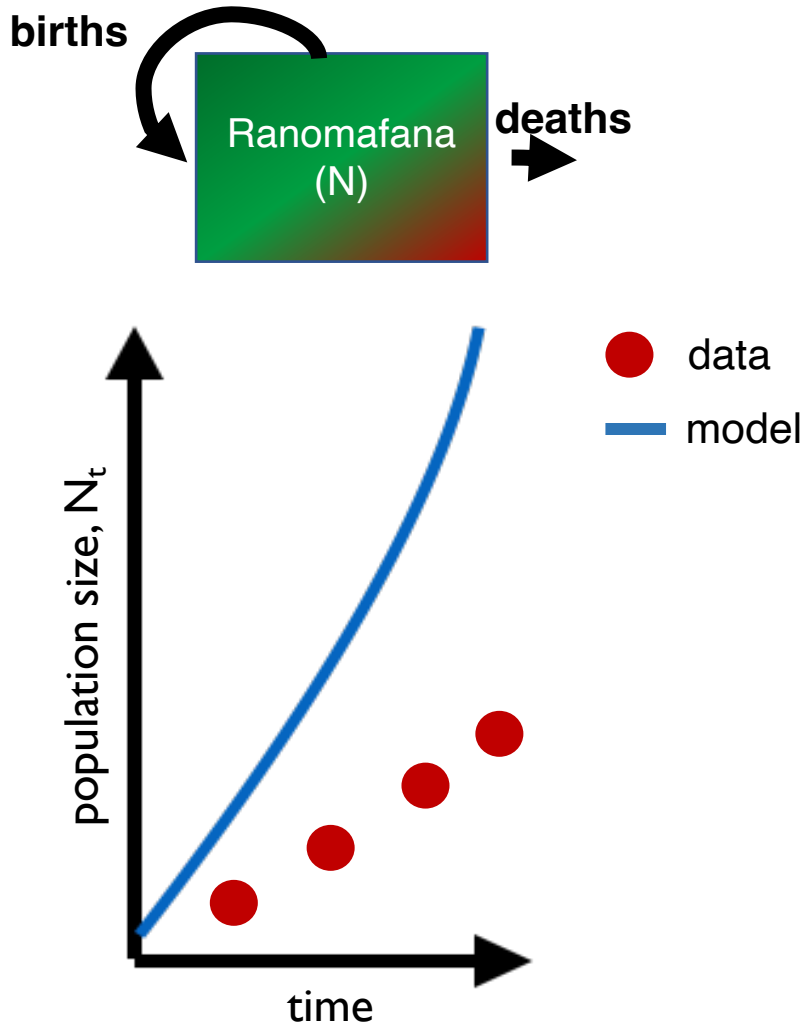
The structured population model



Why does the model perform poorly?

The basic population model

Why does the model perform poorly?



We need population structure!

That means distinguishing babies from adults.

The structured population model

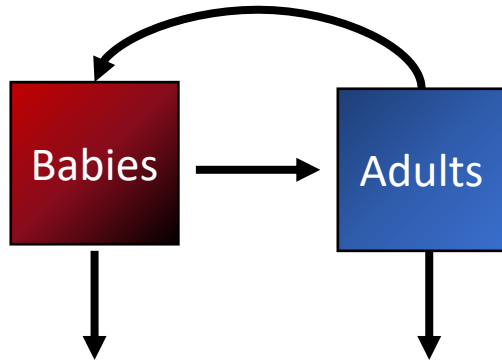
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How does the population of Ranomafana grow over time?

Comment est-ce que la population de Ranomafana s'augmente avec le passage du temps?

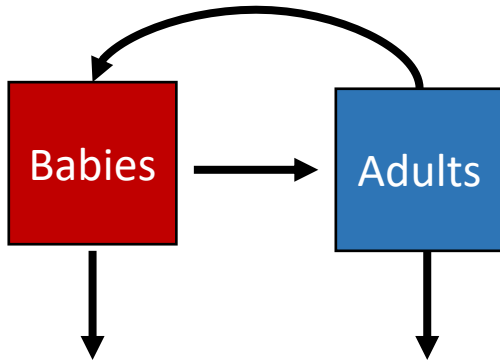
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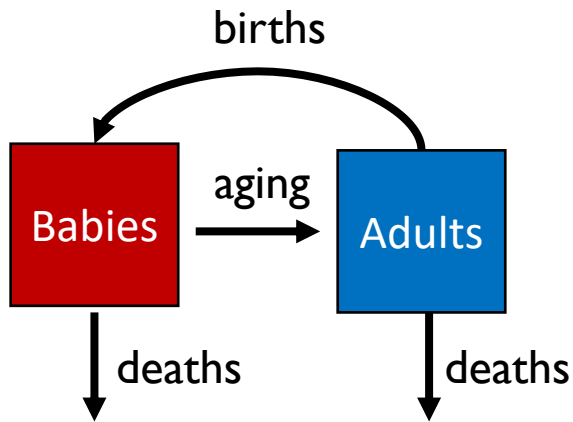
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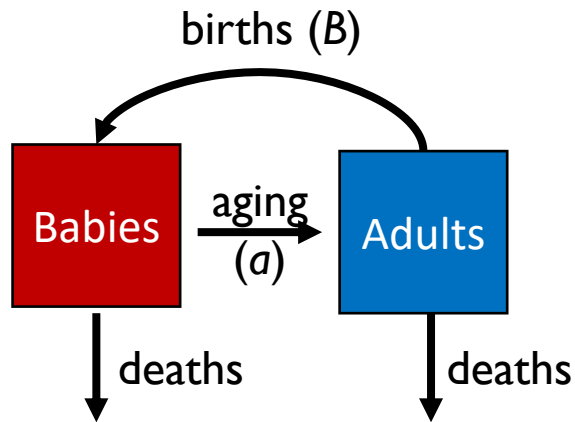
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The structured population model



$$N_{t+1} = \lambda * N_t$$

pop size at t + 1

pop size at t

Population rate of increase

Taux d'accroissement de la population

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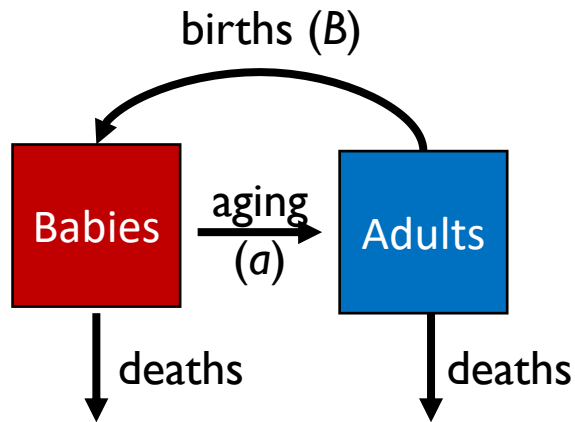
$$\mathbf{n}_{t+1} = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{n}_t$$

matrix of rates

vector of population sizes

***Discrete time**

The structured population model



A

$s_b(1-a)$	B
$s_b a$	s_a

x

n_t

n_b
n_a

=

n_{t+1}

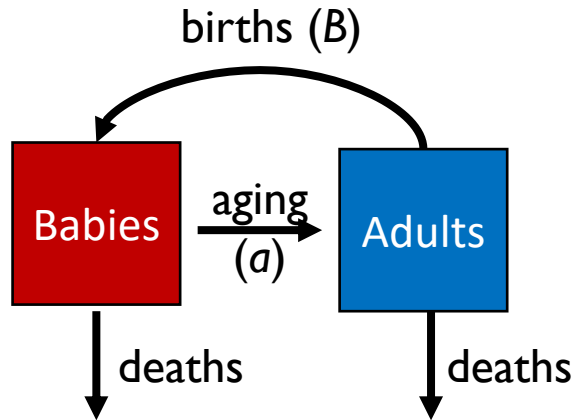
$s_b(1-a) n_b + b n_a$
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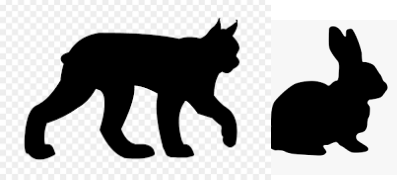
- Structured models

Modèles structurés.

How do we modify a basic population model to make it structured?

- Two compartments (adults and babies)
 - Vector/matrix of values





3. Two-population model

3. modèles de deux populations

The predator-prey model

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How does the population of fossa regulate the population of lemurs in Ranomafana?

Comment la population de "fossa" régule la population de lemuriens à Ranomafana?

The predator-prey model

lemur
(x)

fossa
(y)

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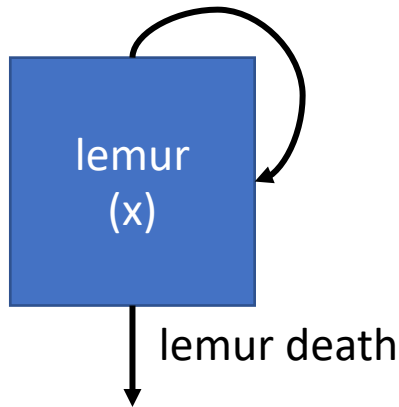
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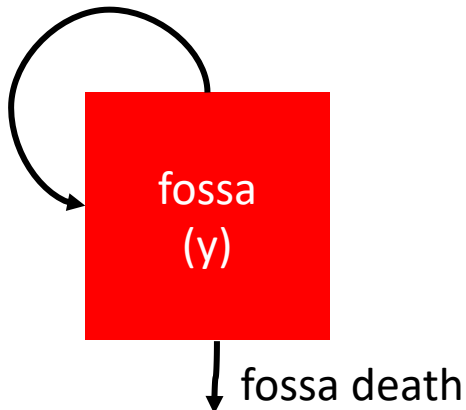
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lemur reproduction



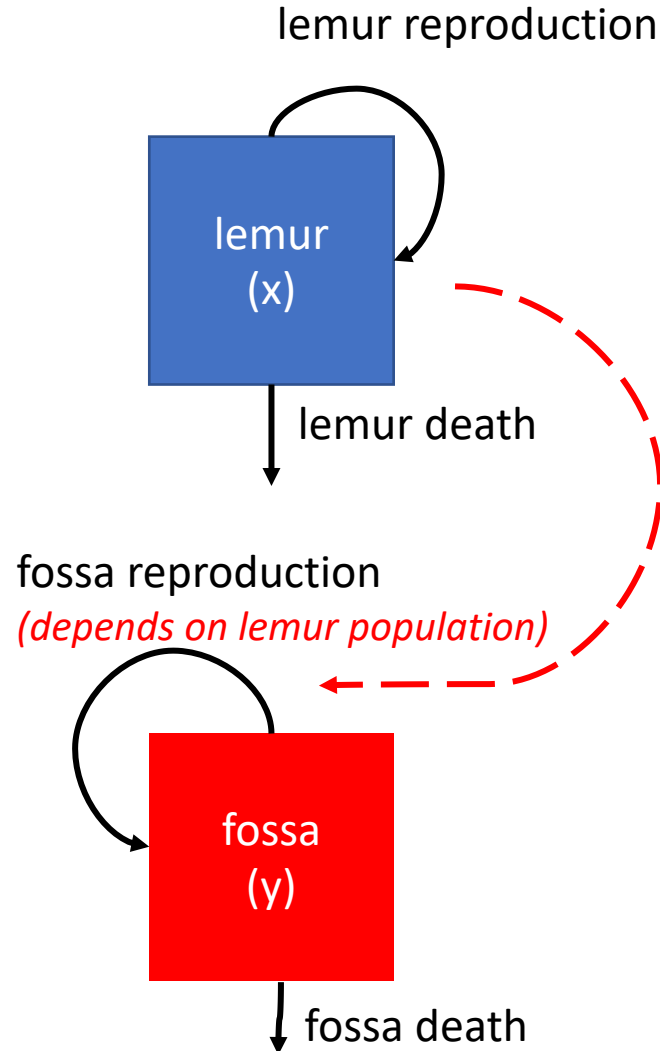
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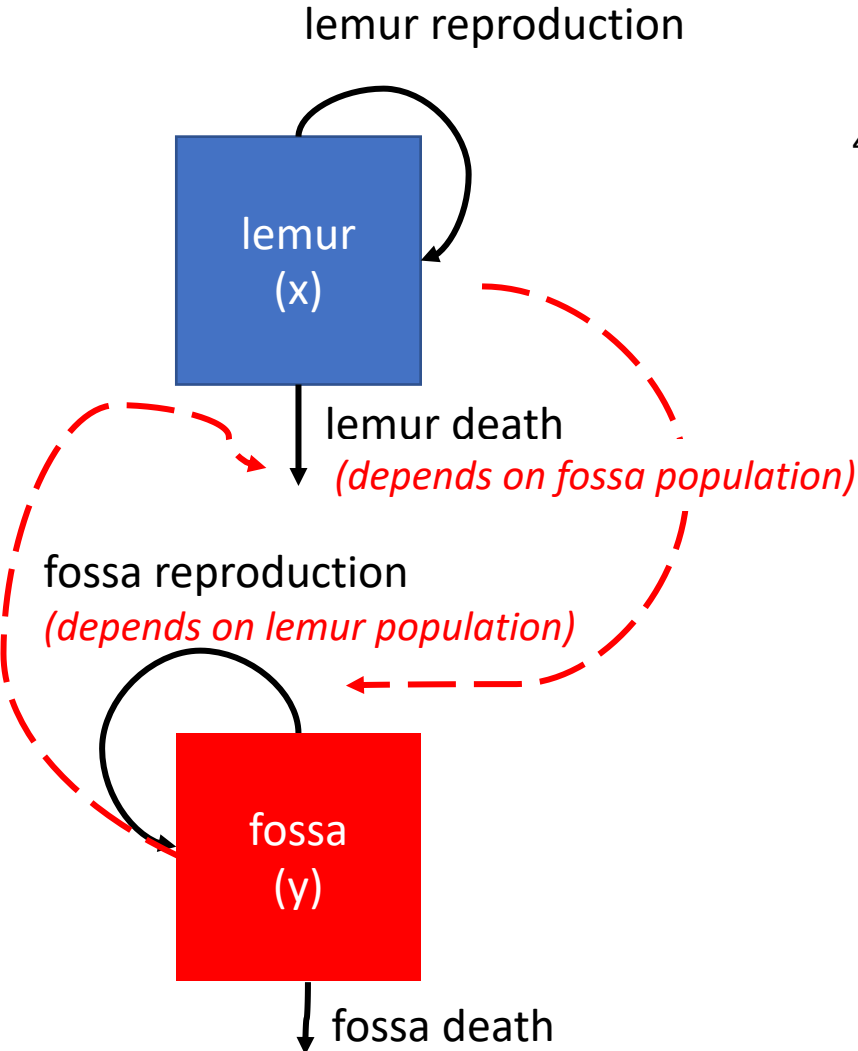
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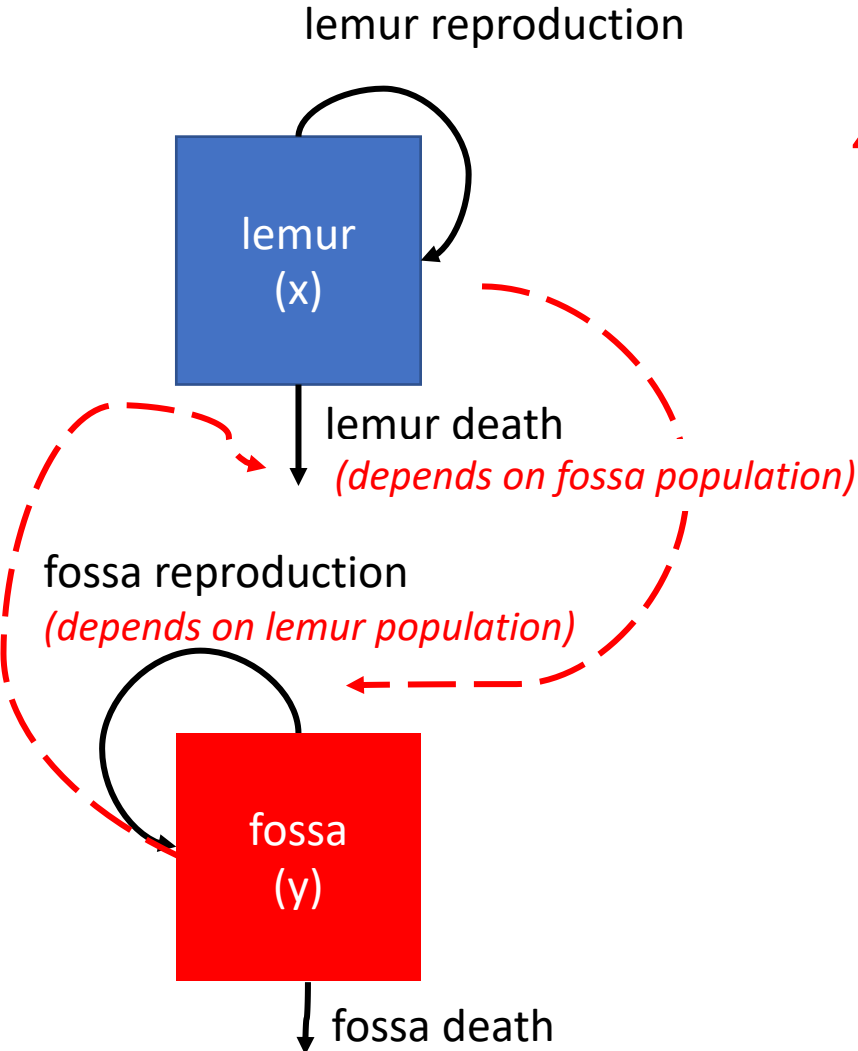
Parameters

: lemur rep. rate

: lemur death rate

: fossa rep. rate

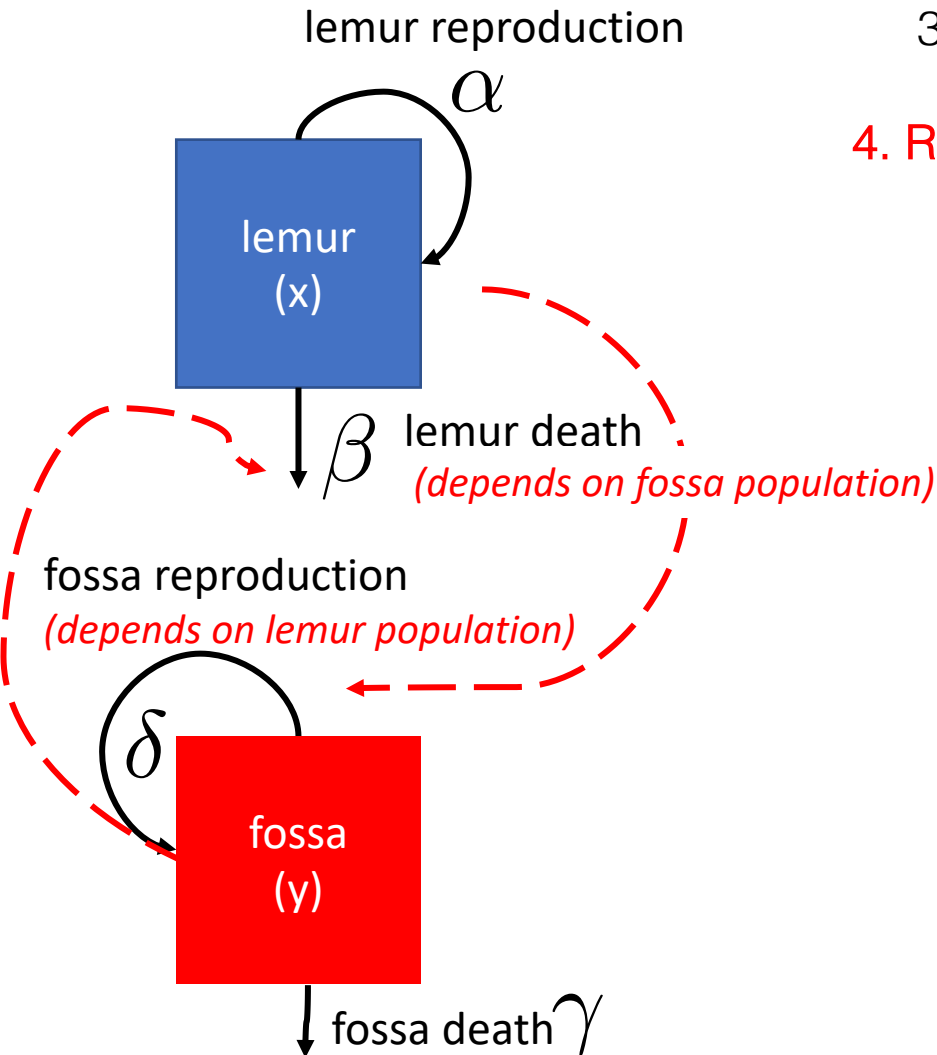
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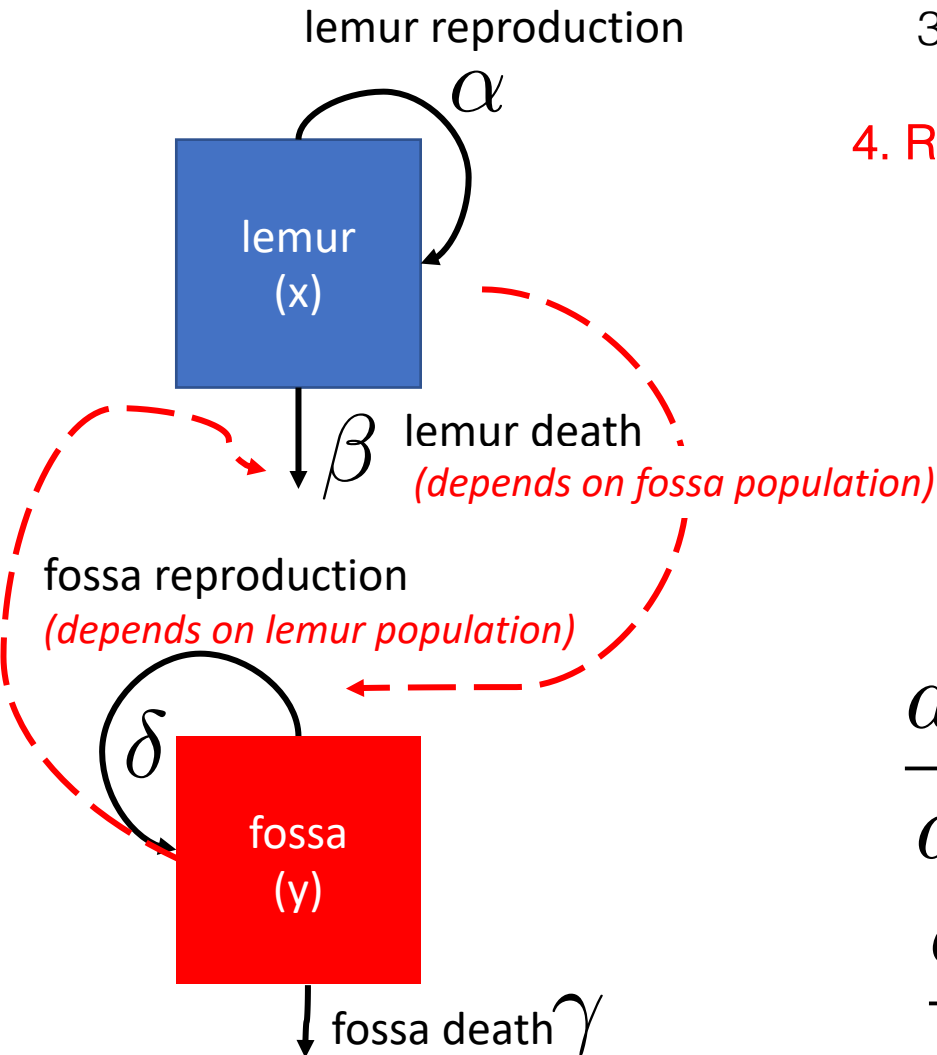
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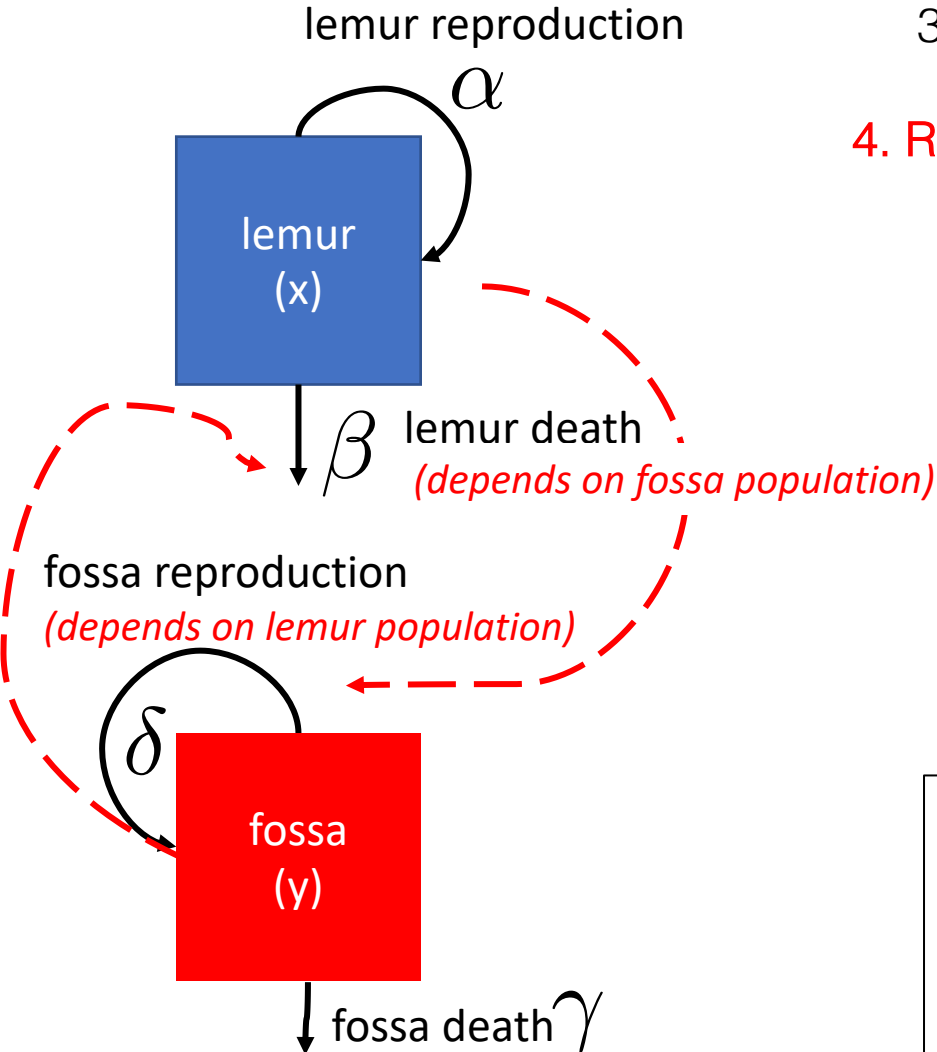
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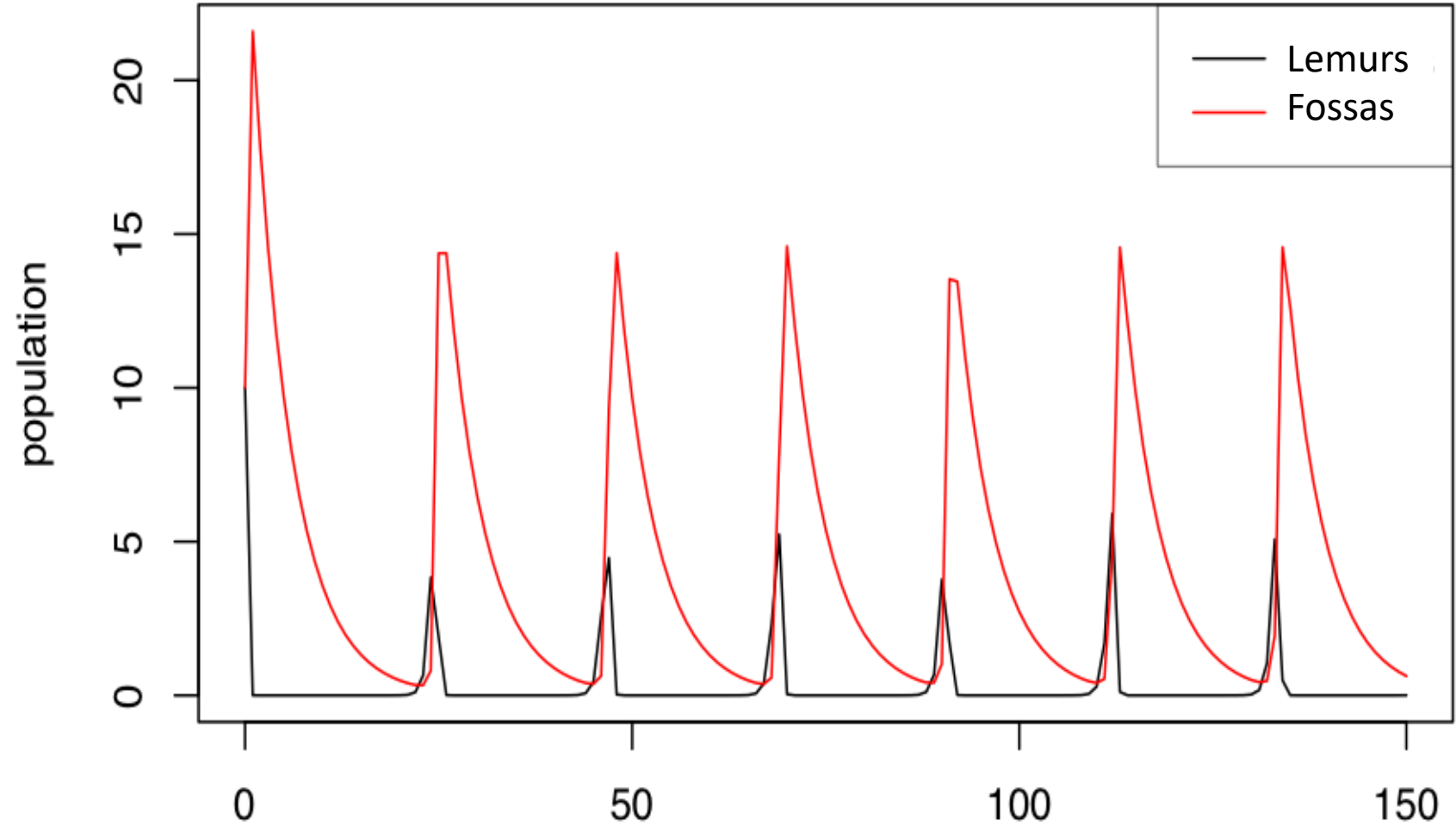
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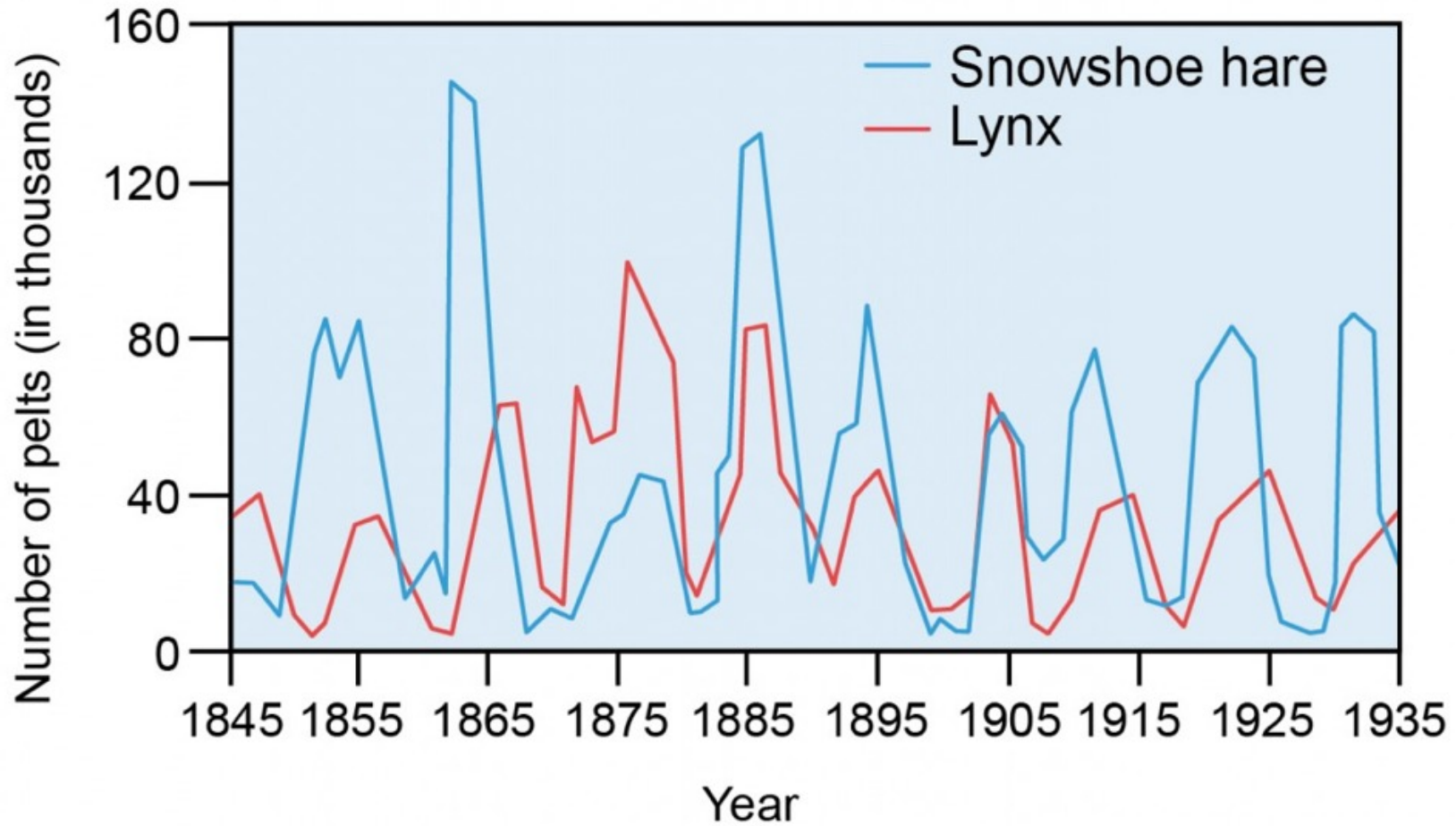
SOME ASSUMPTIONS

- the **lemur** has an unlimited food supply
- the **lemur** only dies from being eaten by fossa
- the **fossa** is totally dependent on a single prey species (the lemur) as its only food supply

The predator-prey model



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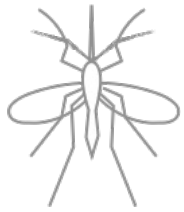
What pattern can we see in simple predator-prey relationships?

Cycles / oscillations

What could we modify to make this model more complex/realistic?

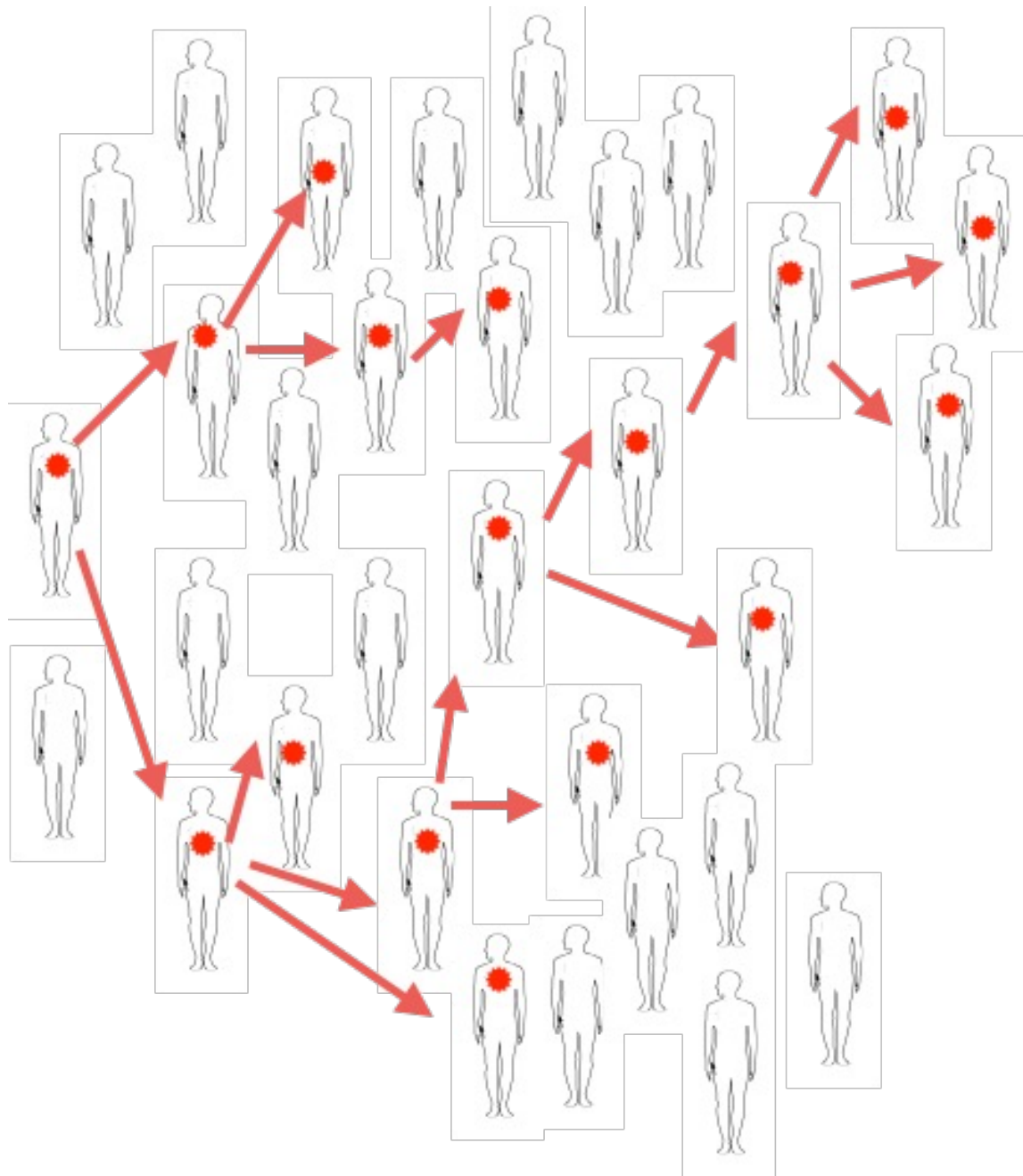
Lemurs/fossa eat other things, die of other causes





4. SIR Models

4. Les modèles SIR



The SIR model

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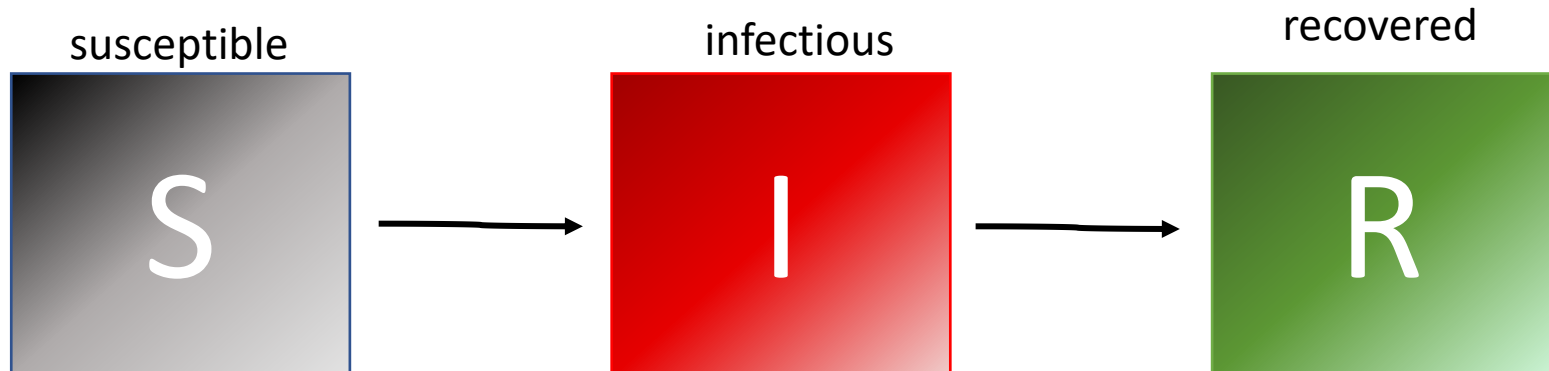
**How does measles transmit through
Antananarivo?**

*Comment la rougeole se transmet-elle à
Antananarivo?*

The SIR model

Compartmental models (Mechanistic Models)

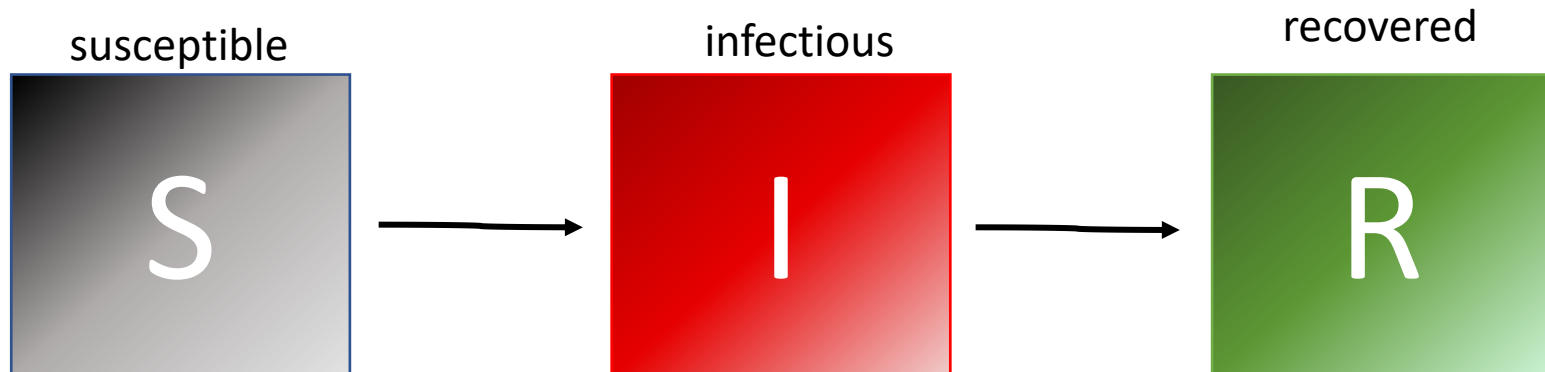
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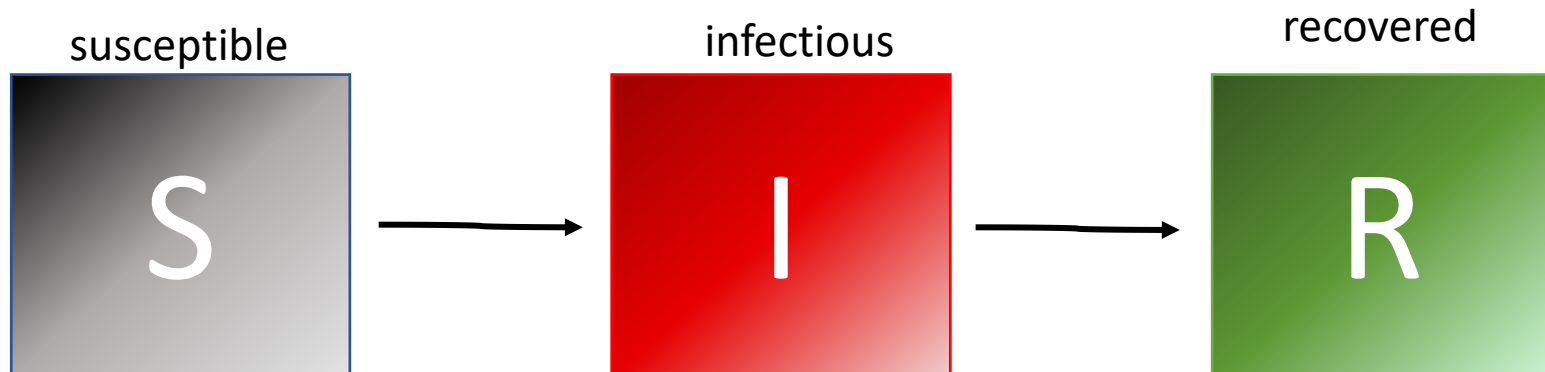
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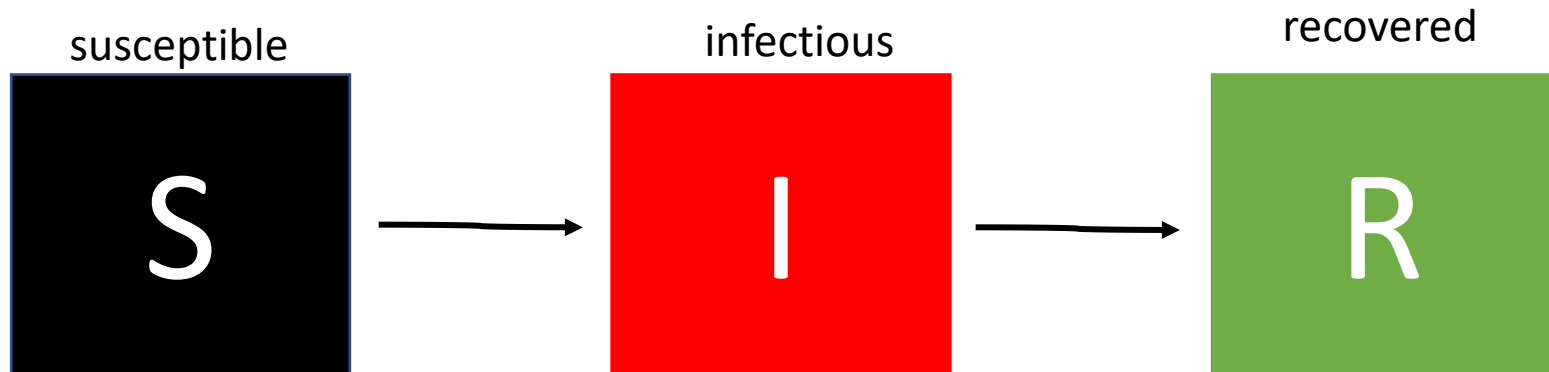
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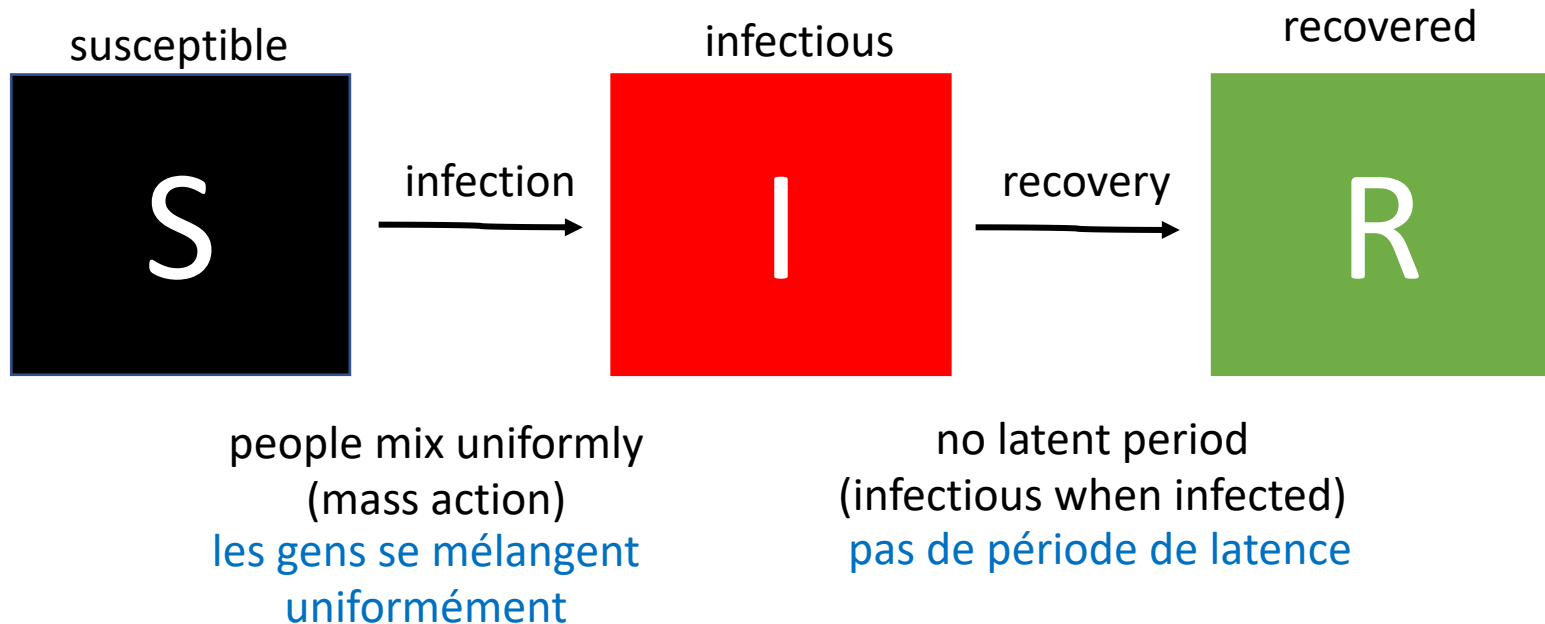
people mix uniformly (mass action)

les gens se mélangent uniformément

The SIR model

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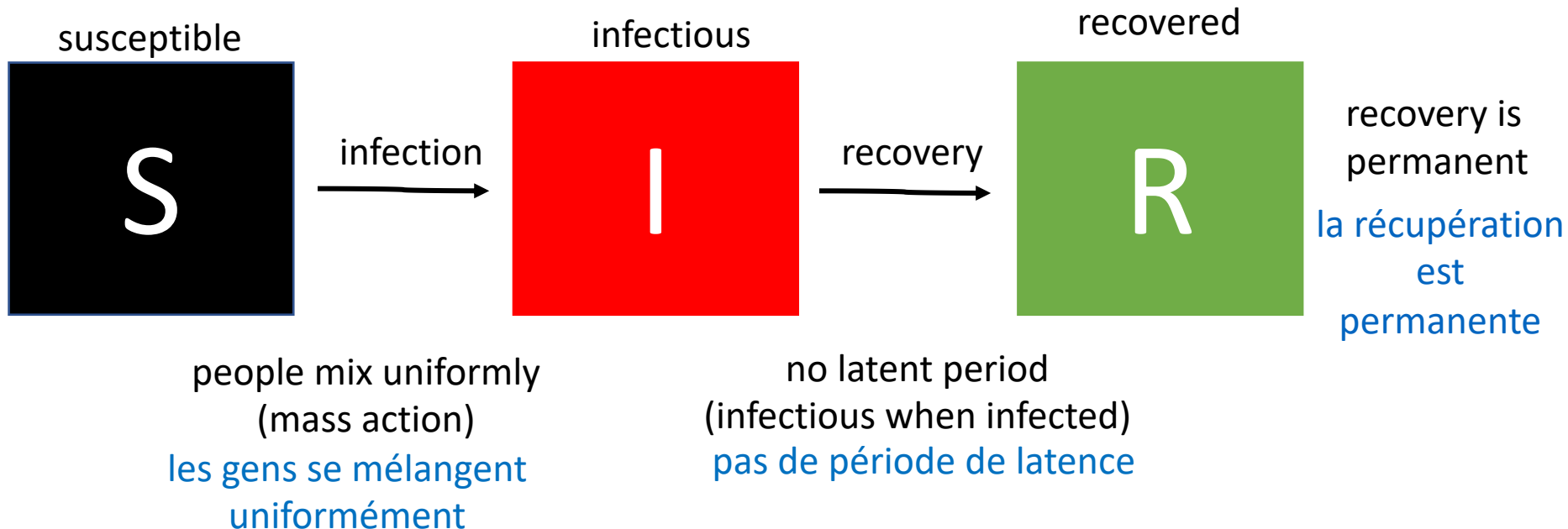
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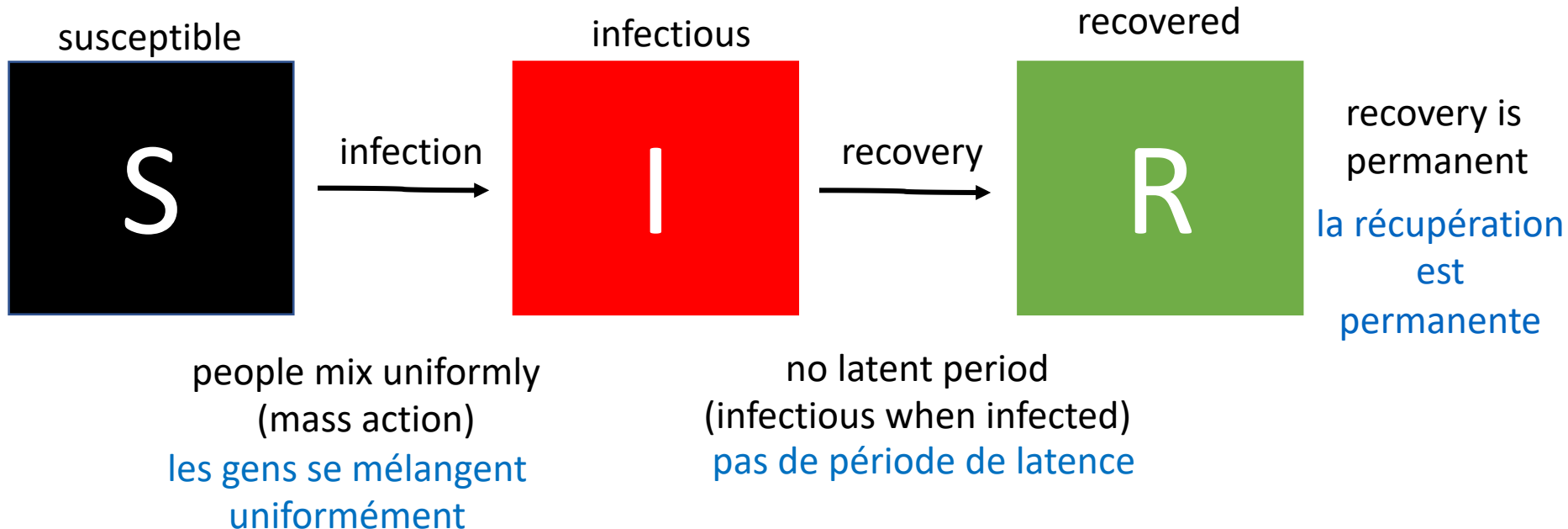
The SIR model

population size constant -
no births or deaths,
migration

taille de population
constante

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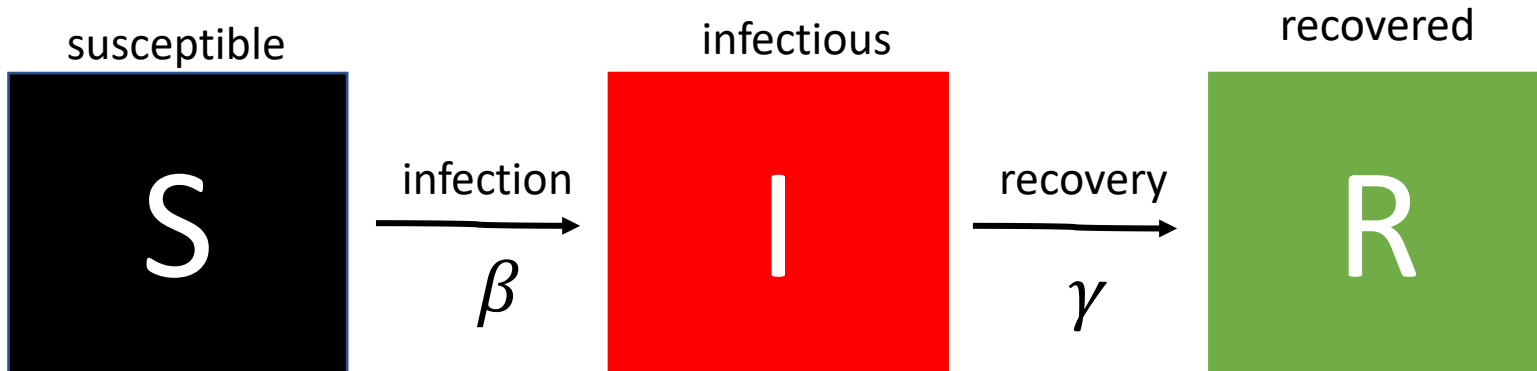
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$$\frac{dR(t)}{dt} = \gamma I(t)$$

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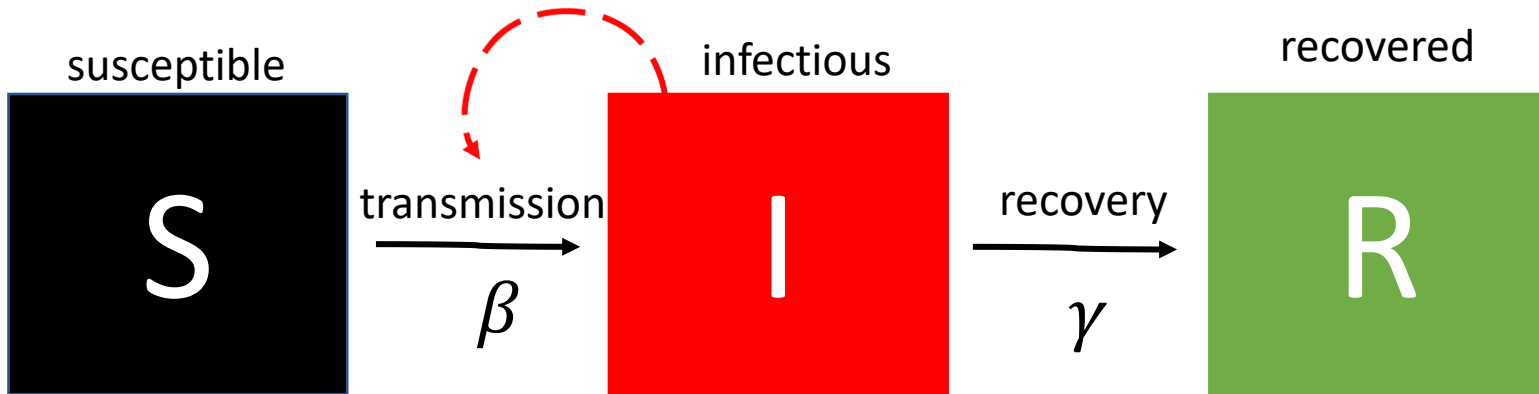
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...infected numbers influence the transmission rate....

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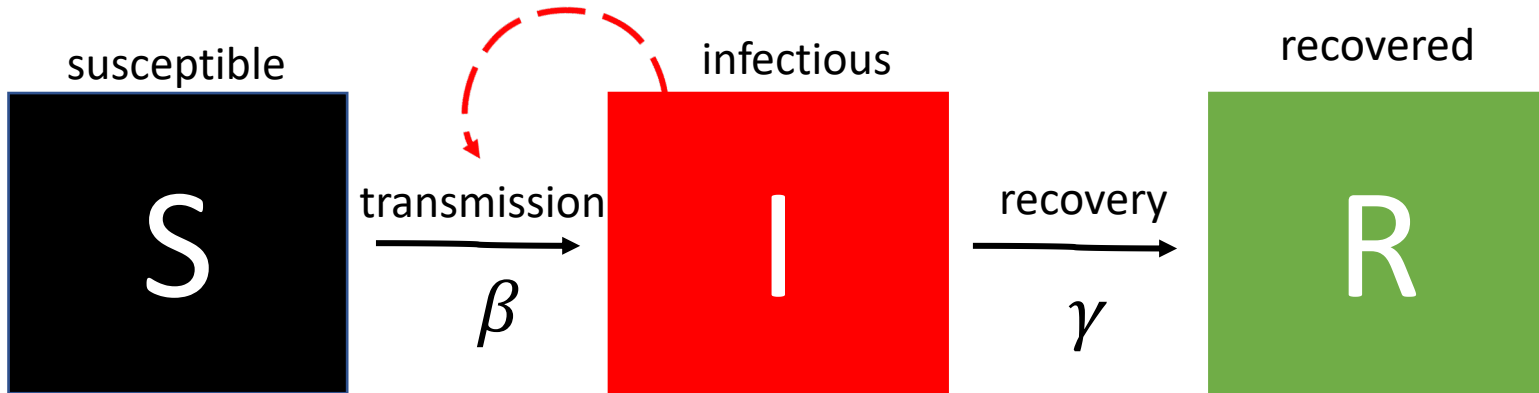
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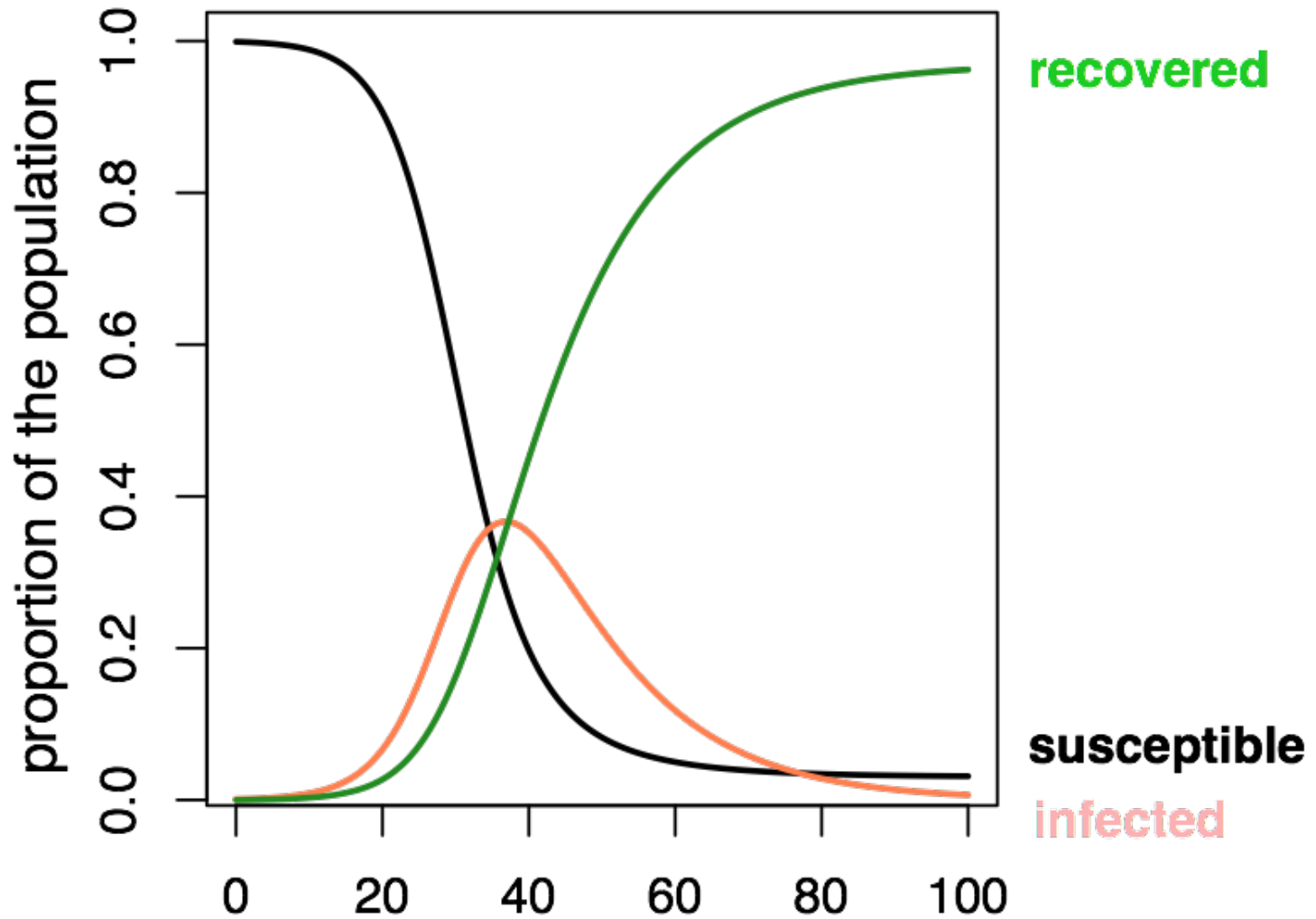
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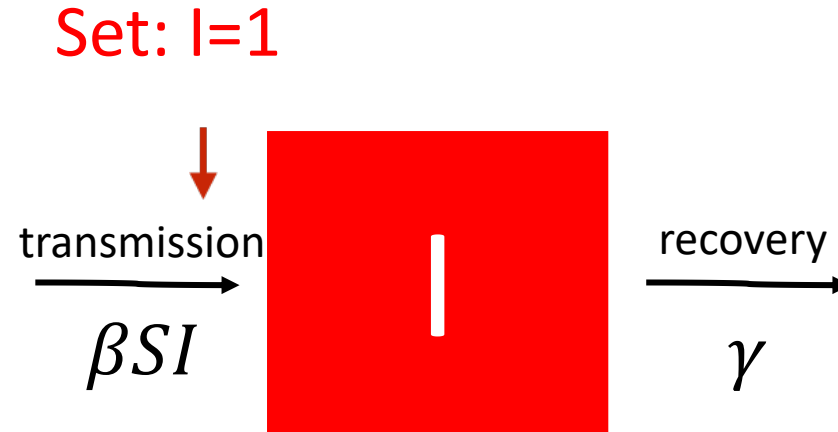


What will the dynamics look like?

The SIR model



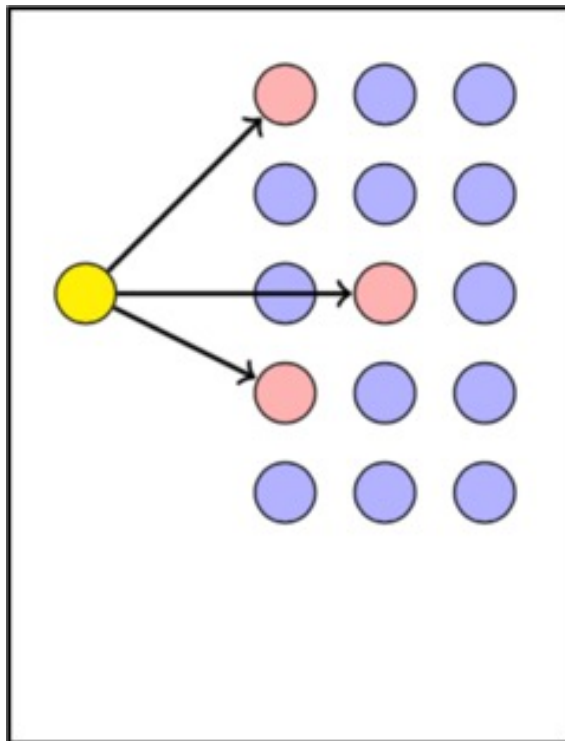
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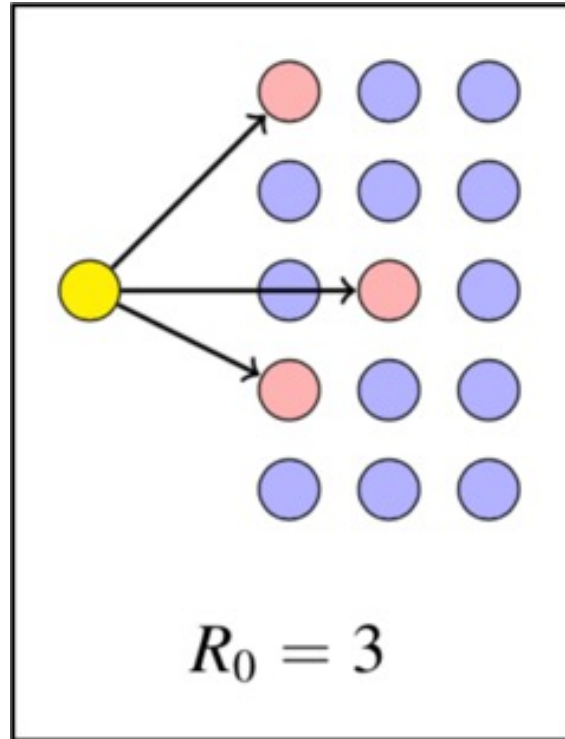
$$R_0 = \beta N / \gamma$$

The average number of persons infected by an infectious individual when everyone is susceptible ($S=100\%$, or $S=1$, start of an epidemic)

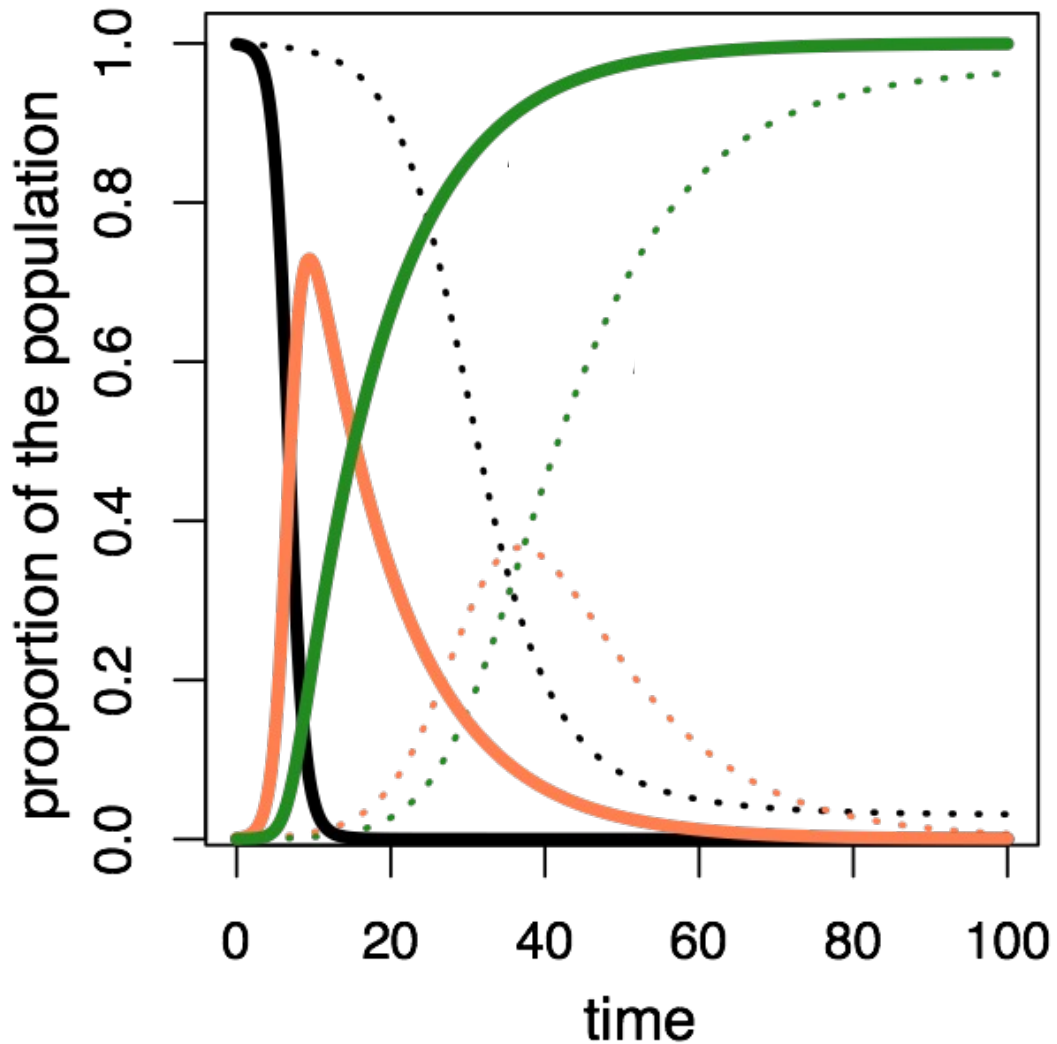
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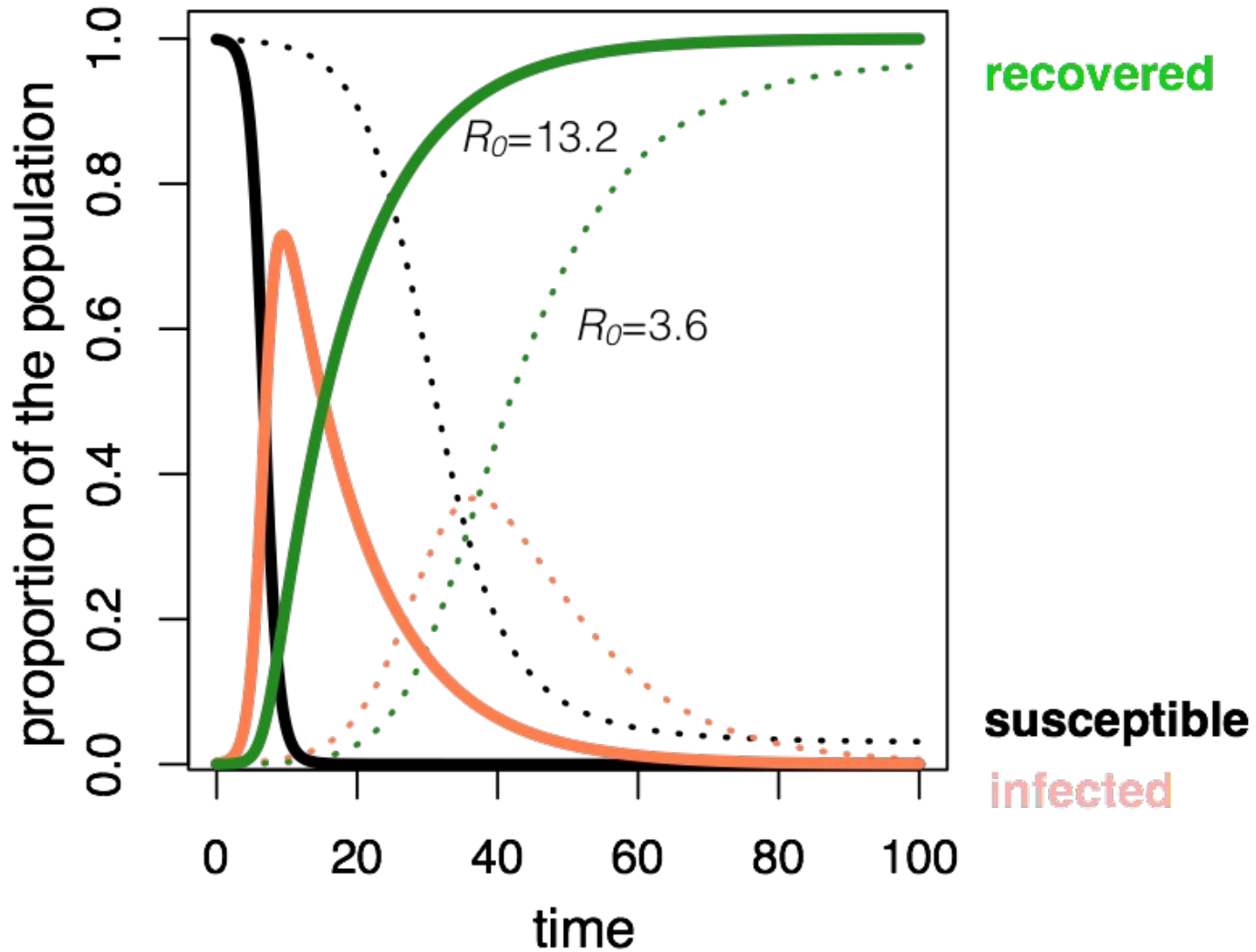
recovered

Which has the higher R0 value?

susceptible

infected

The SIR model



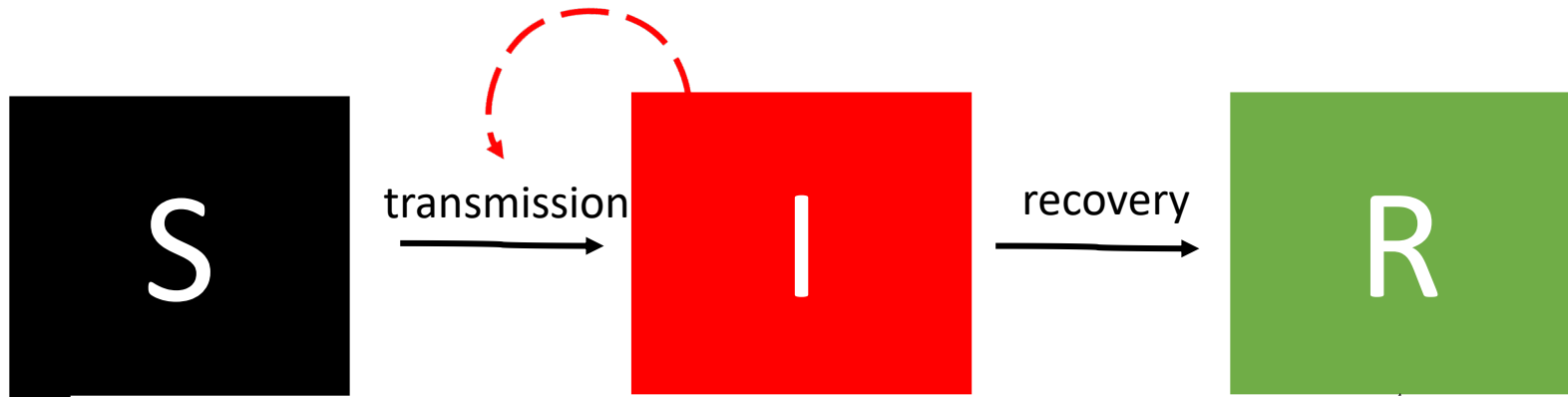
What is R_0 ?

The average number of secondary infections from the first infectious individual

How could you modify this simple SIR model to represent COVID-19?



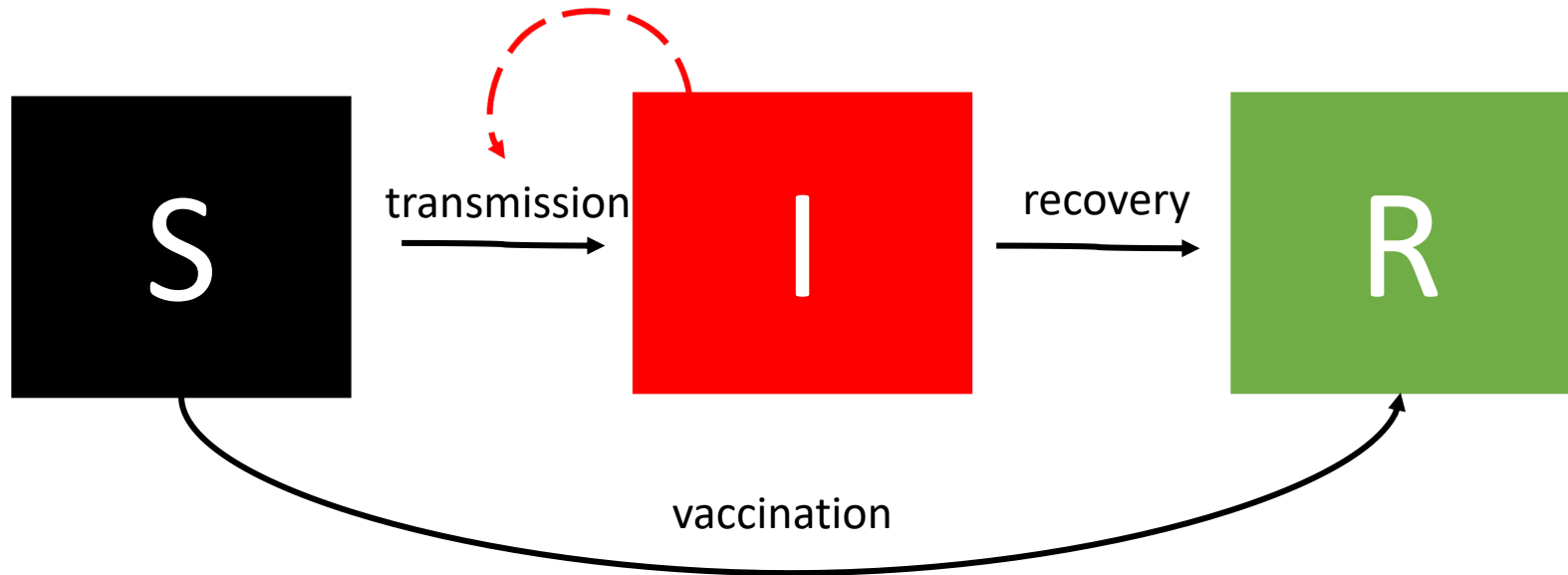
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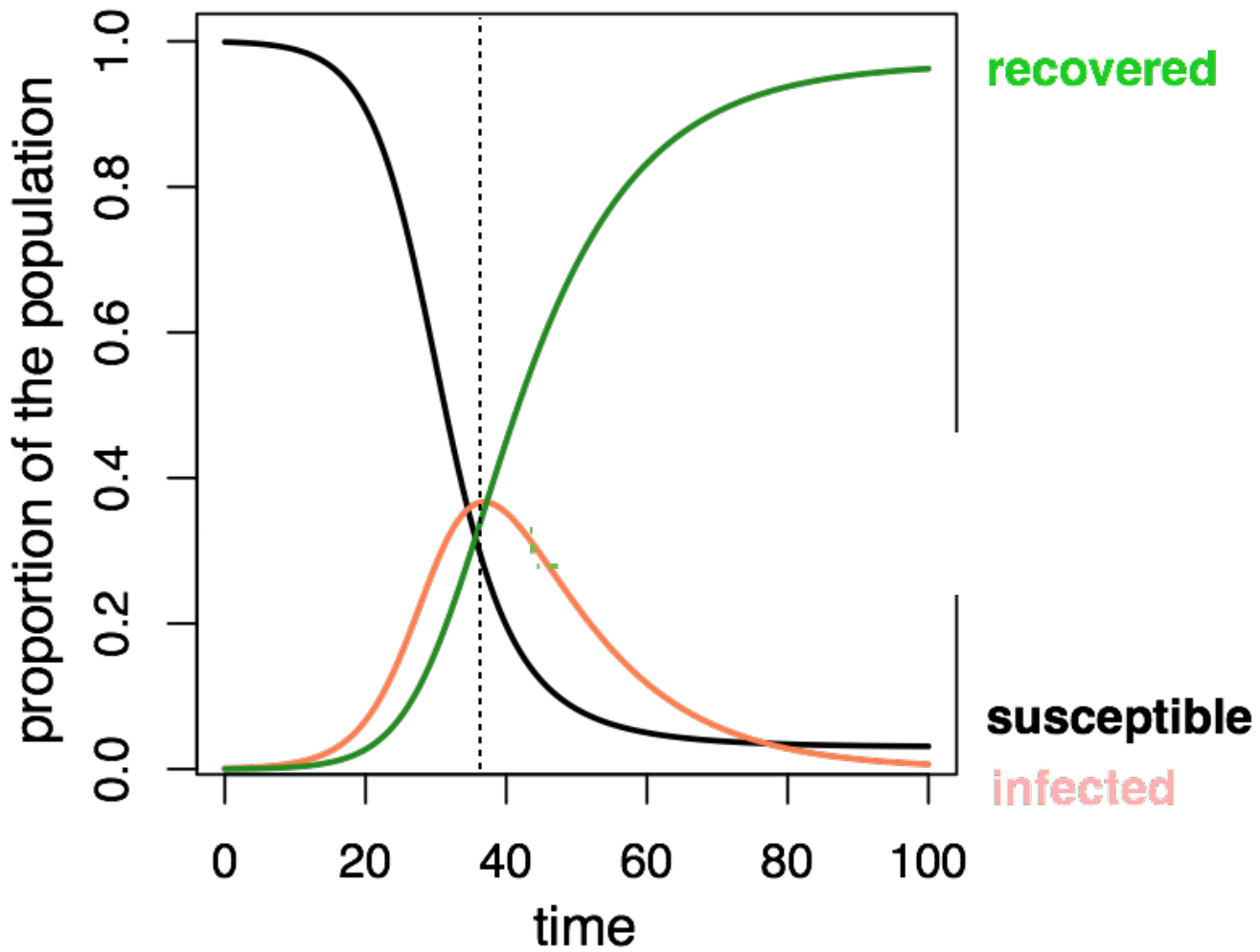
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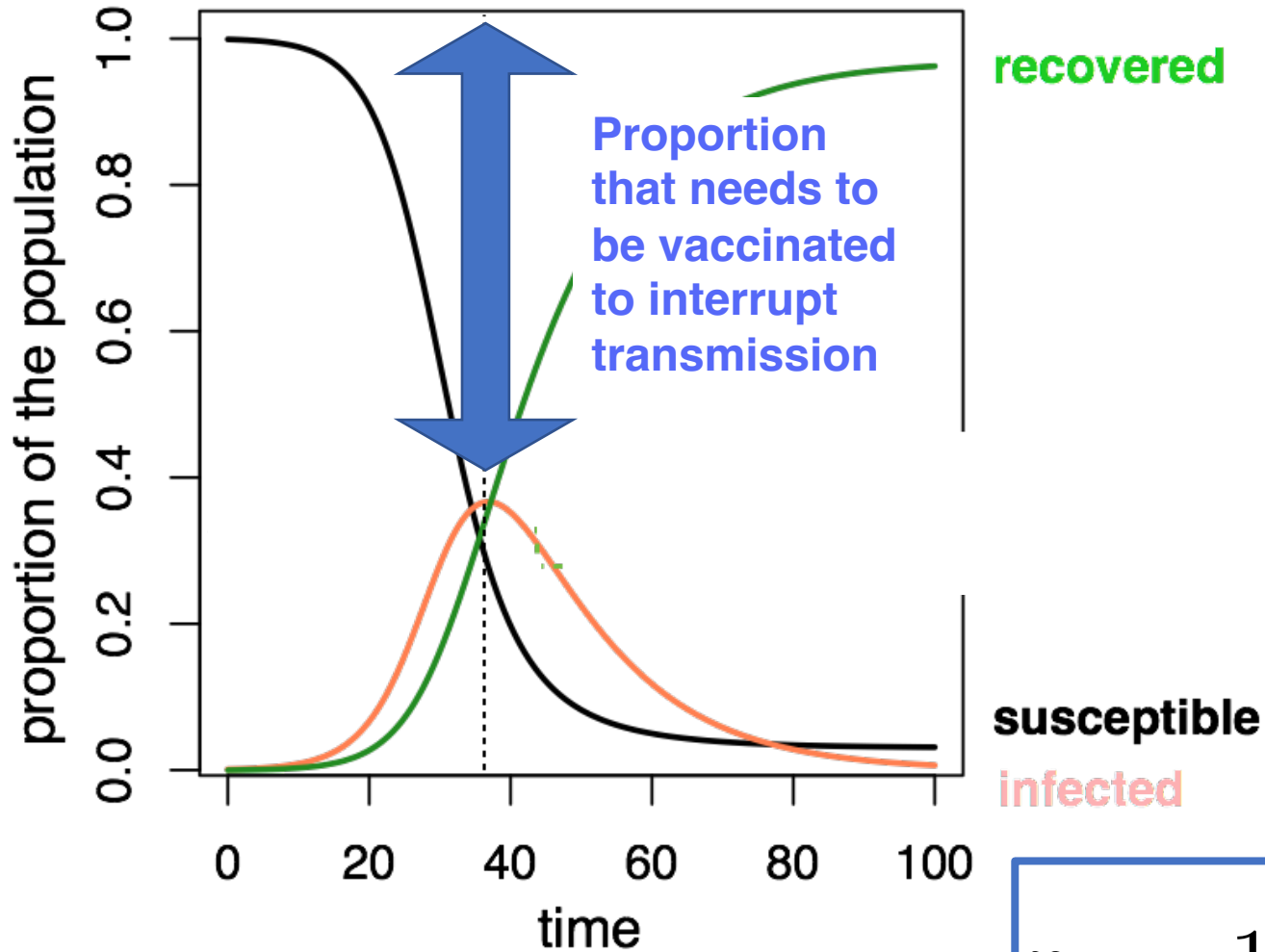
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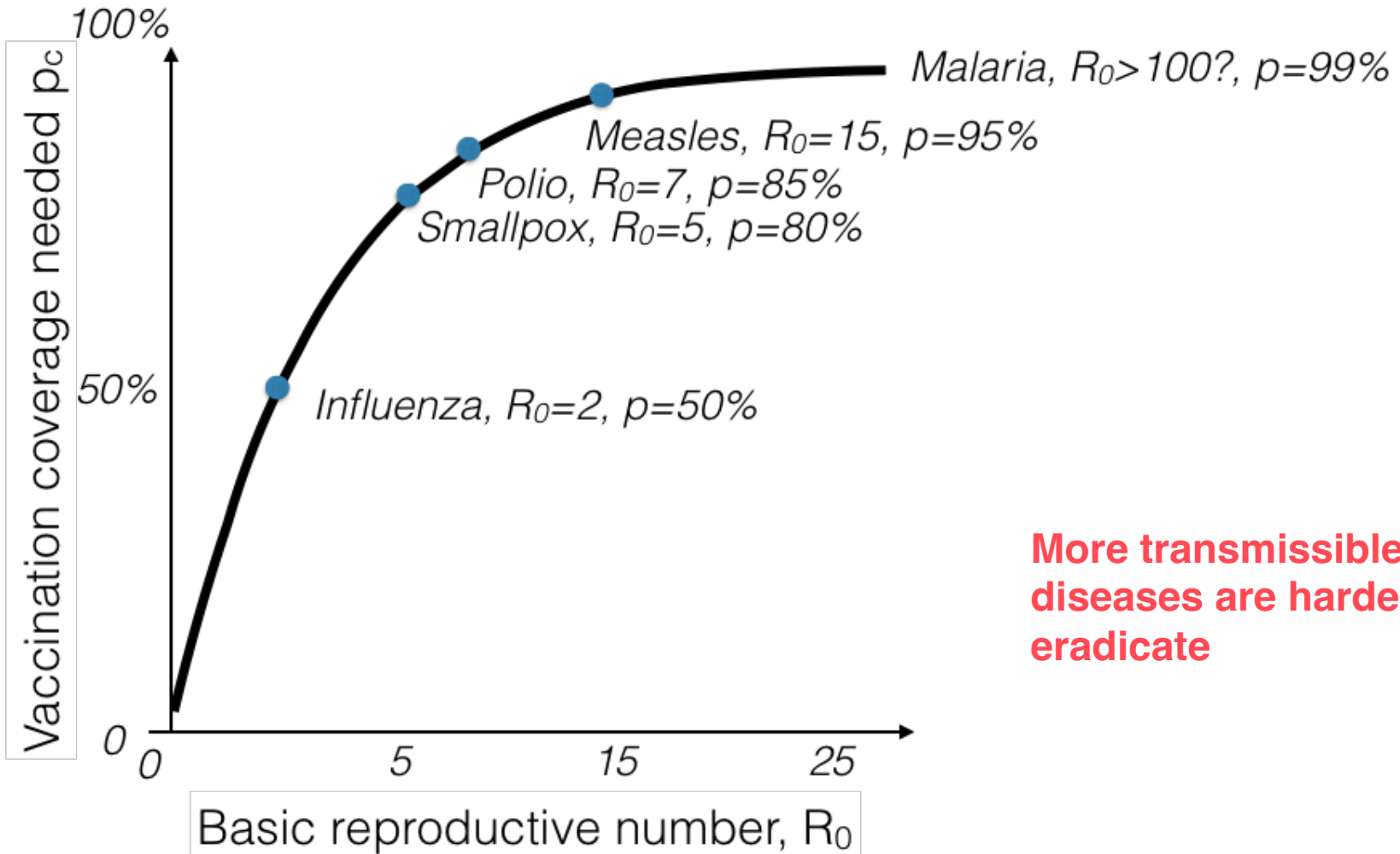
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$$p_c = 1 - \frac{1}{R_0}$$

The SIR model : eradication

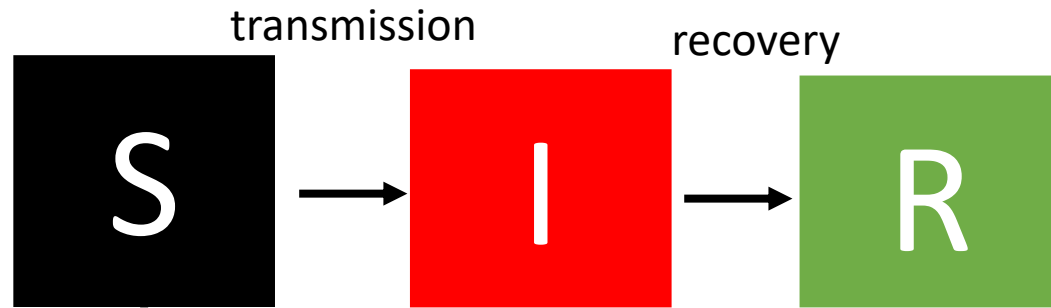
$$p_c = 1 - \frac{1}{R_0}$$



**More transmissible
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eradicate**

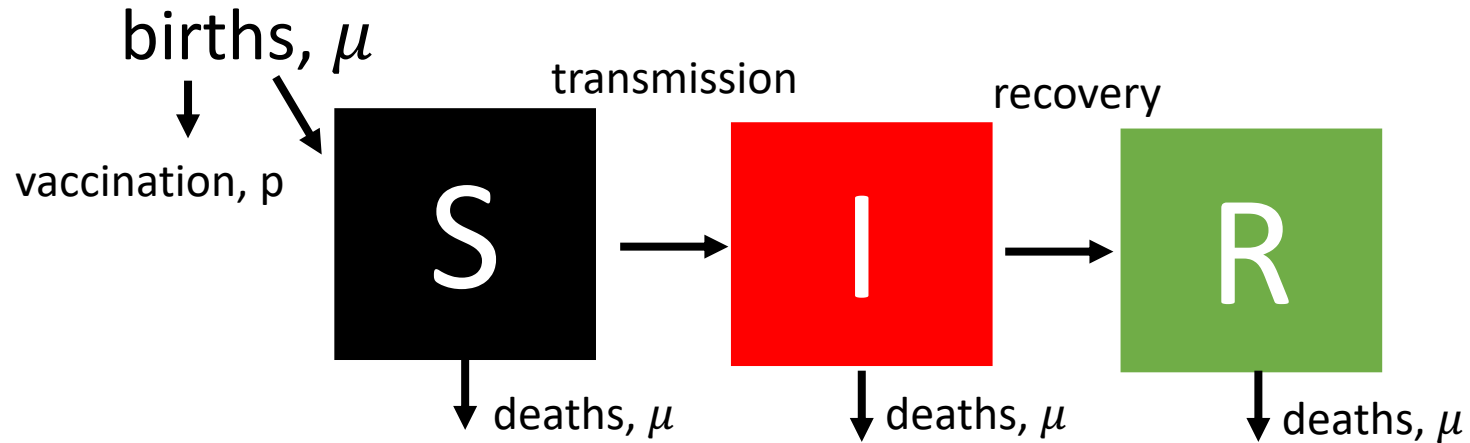
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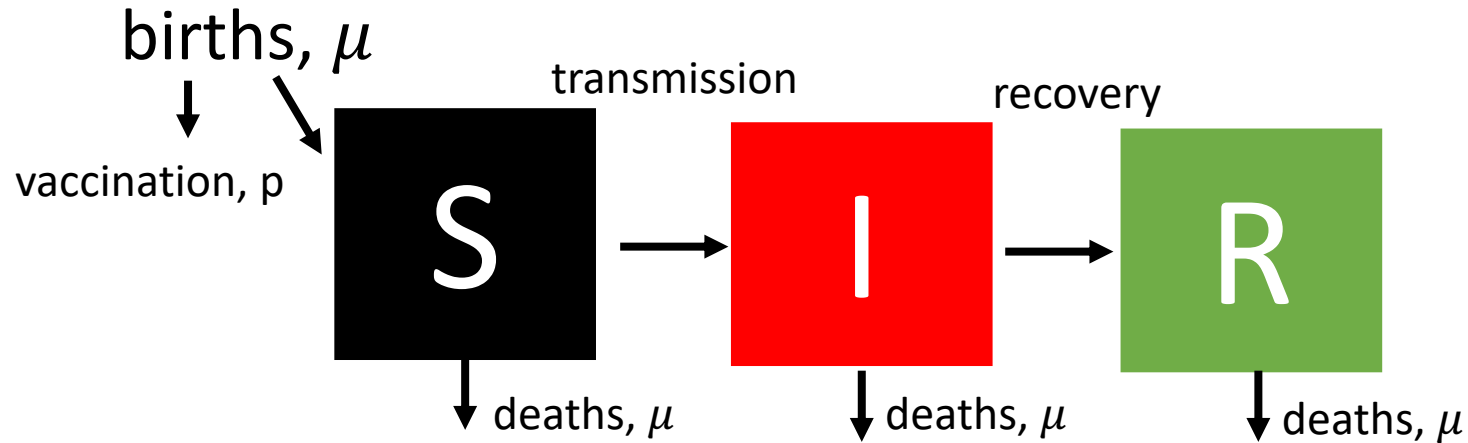
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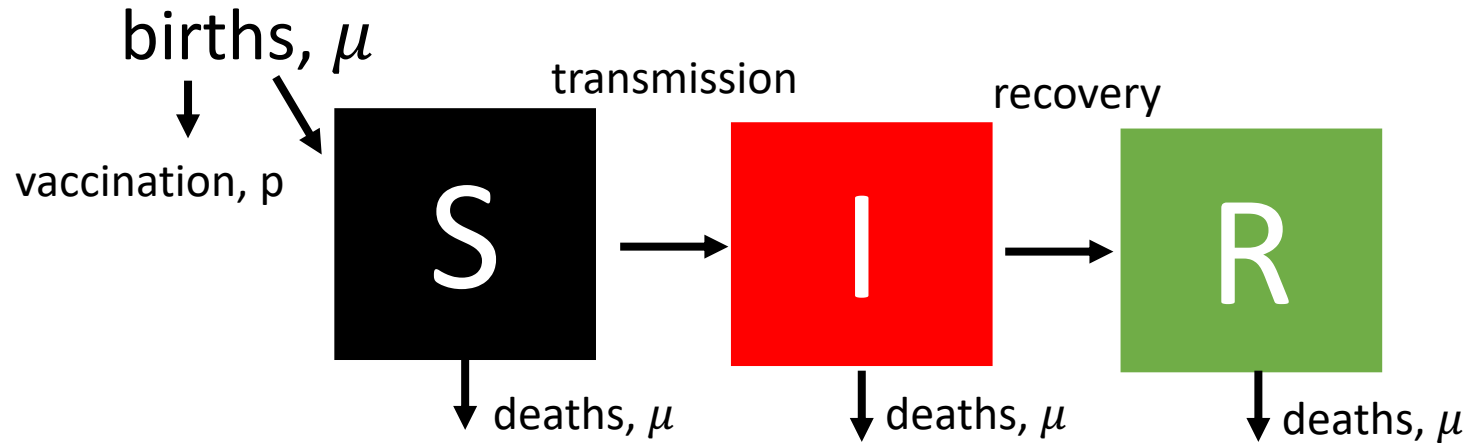


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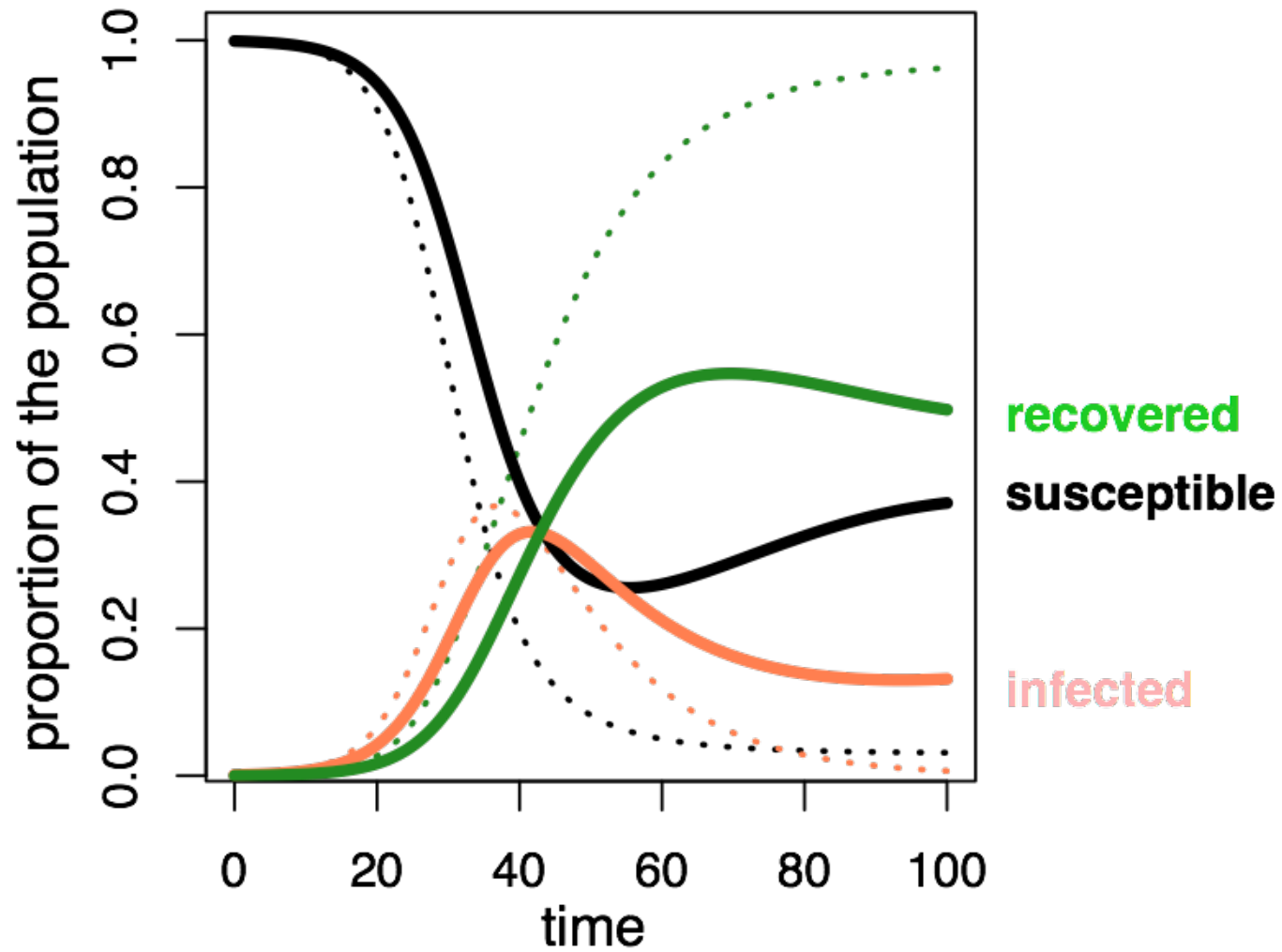


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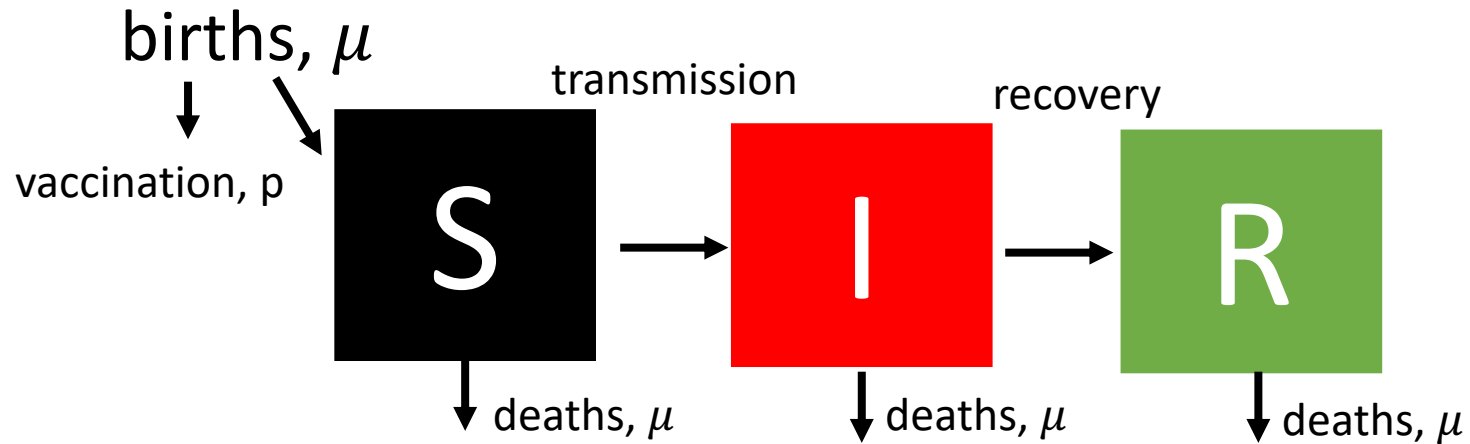
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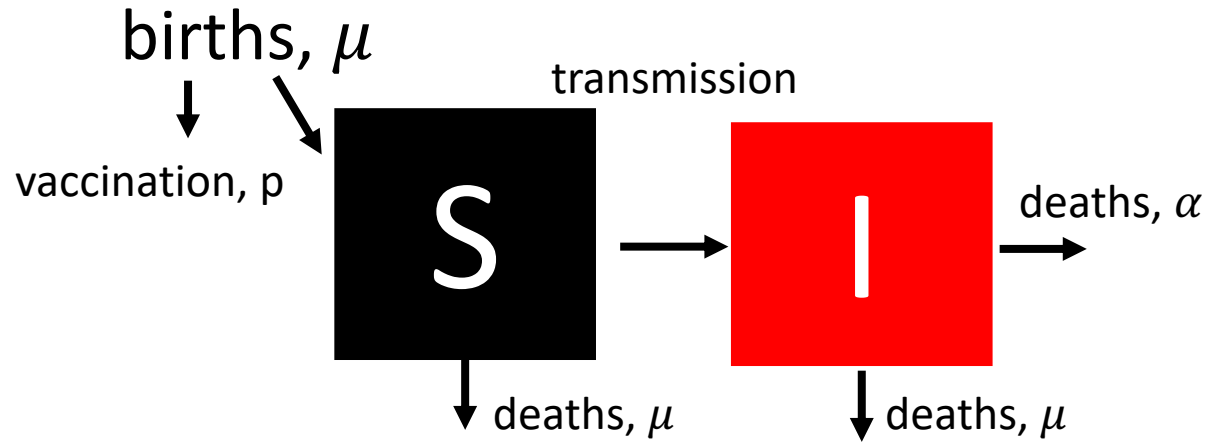


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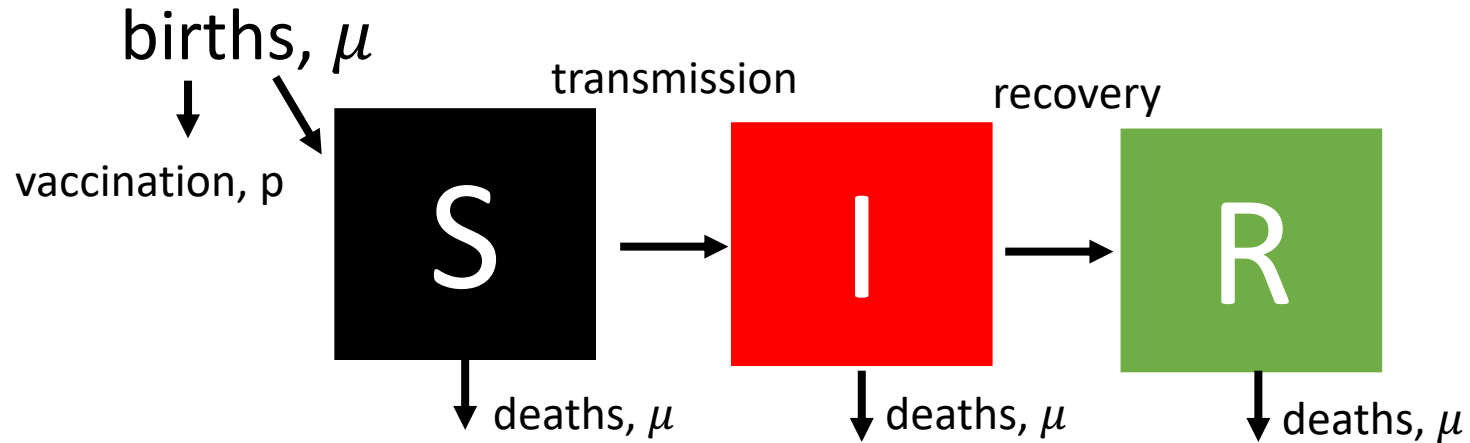
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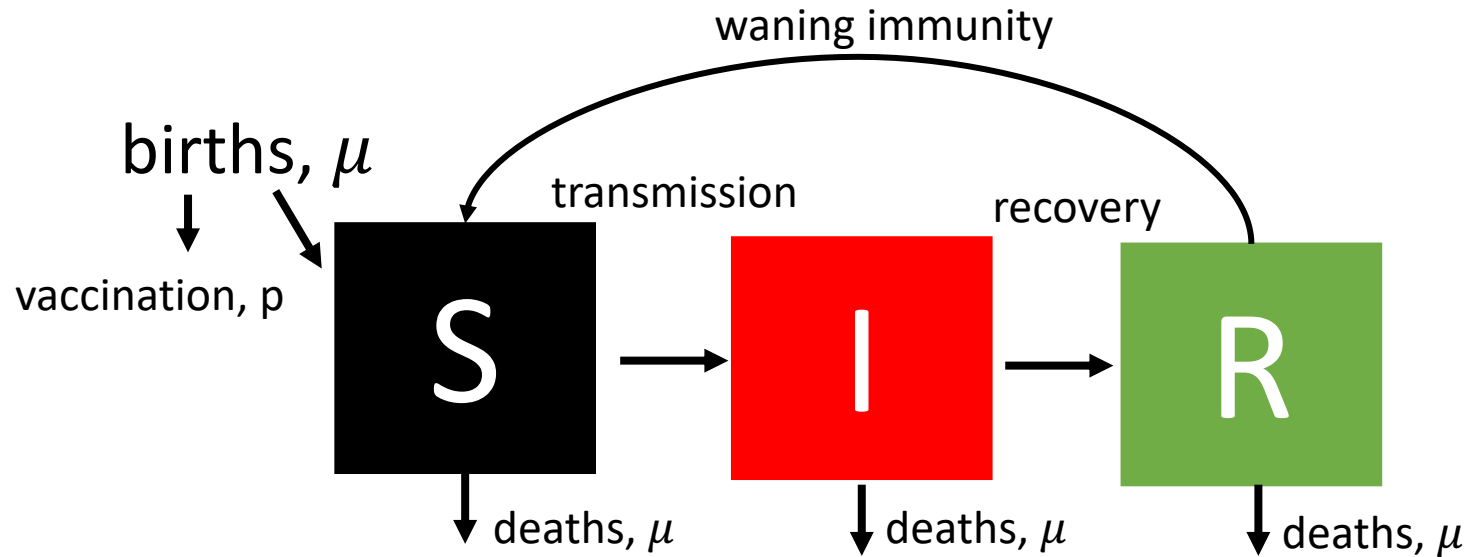
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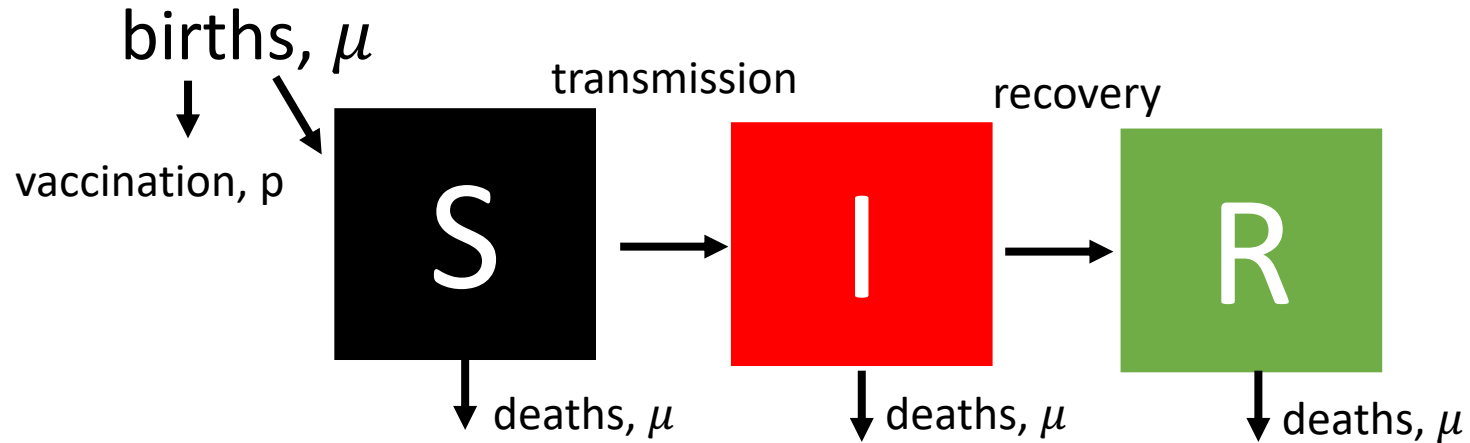
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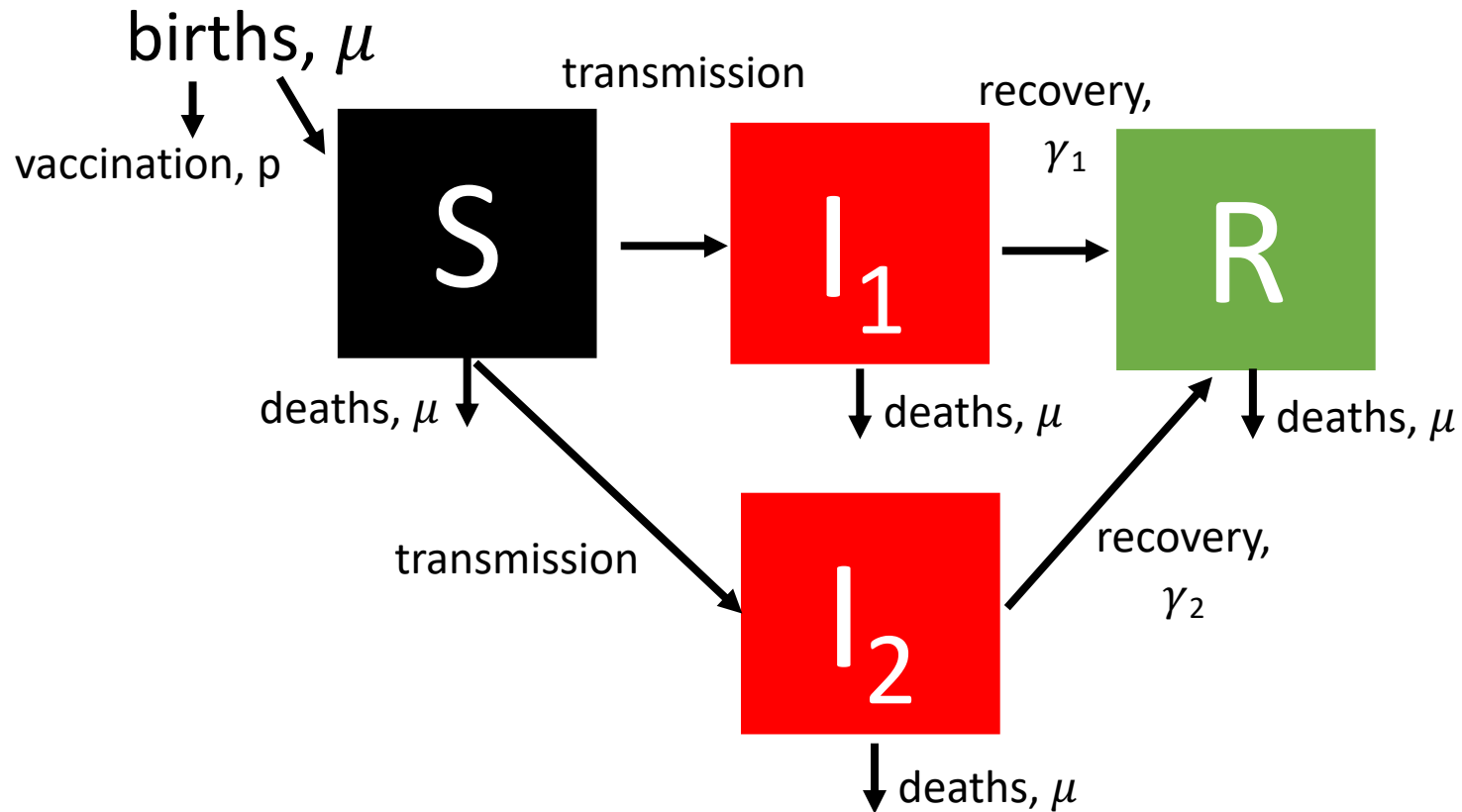
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Key concepts

- Compartmental/mechanistic/mathematical models

Modèles en compartiments

- Continuous vs. discrete models

Modèles en temps continue vs. modèles en temps discrète

- Deterministic vs. stochastic models

Modèles déterministique vs. stochastique

- Structured models

Modèles structurés.

- Two population models

Modèles des deux populations

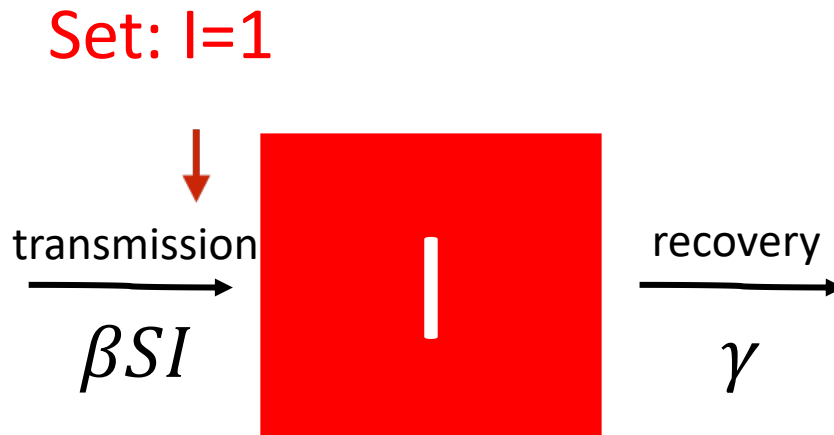
- SIR models – and beyond!

Modèles SIR – et au delà!

“All models are _____, some models
are_____.”



The SIR model



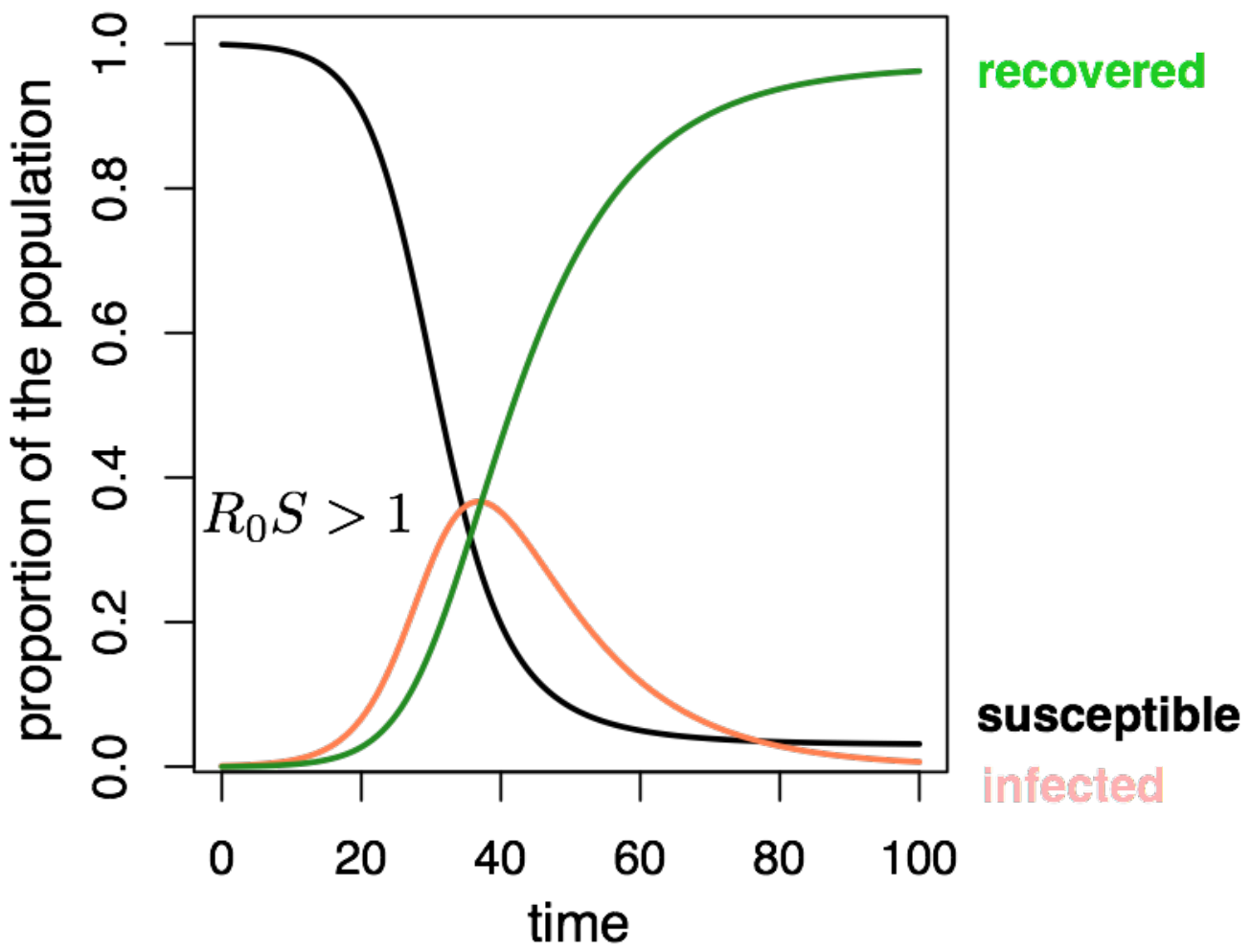
$$R_0 = \beta N / \gamma$$

The average number of persons infected by an infectious individual when everyone is susceptible ($S=100\%$, or $S=1$, start of an epidemic)

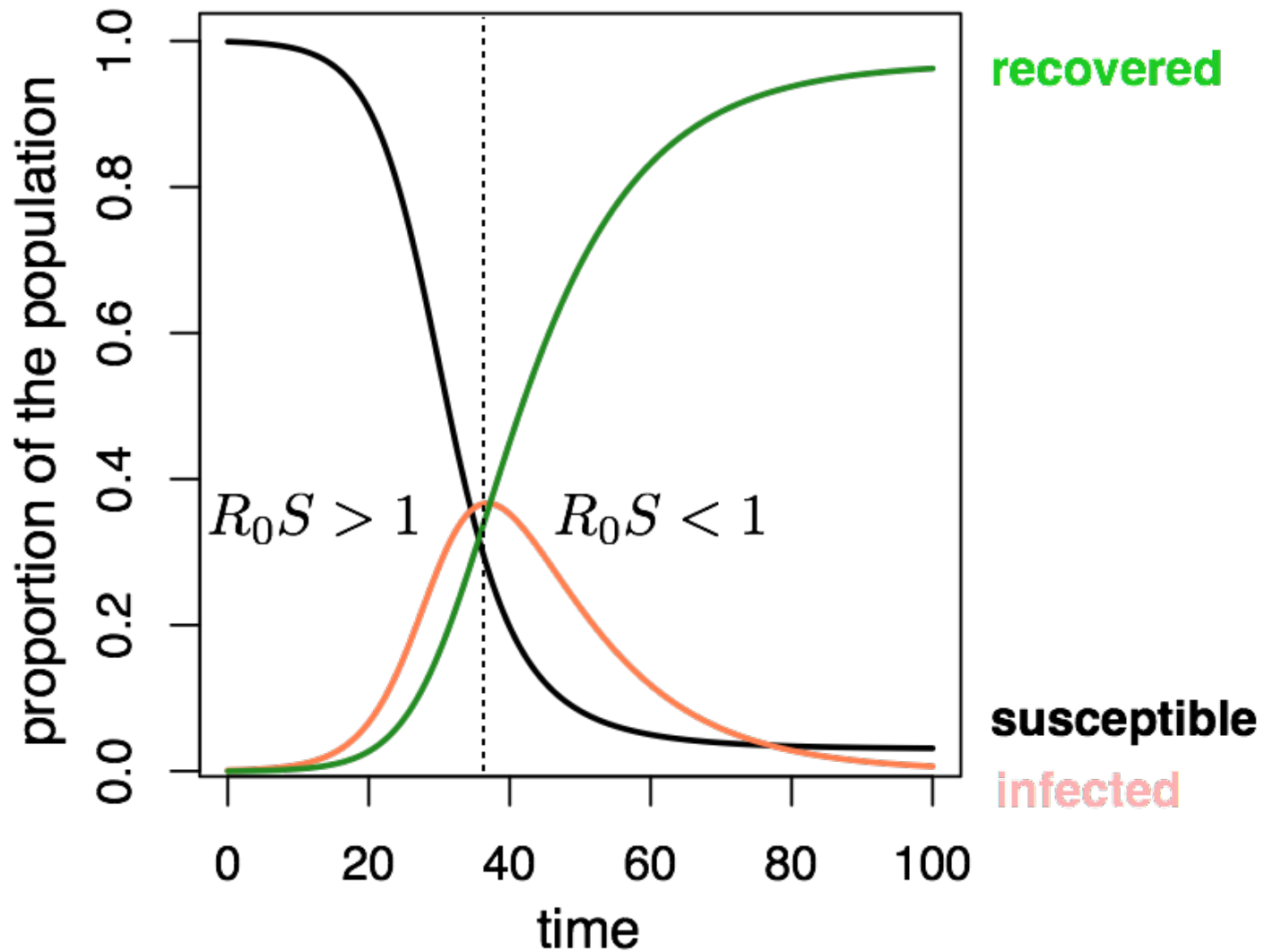
$$R_E = R_0 S \quad \text{"R-effective"}$$

...as the epidemic progresses and S falls

The SIR model



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Which model?

