# Introduction to Compartmental Models

## Introduction aux modèles à compartiments

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# Goals for this lecture

- Understand the difference between statistical and compartmental models
  Comprendre la différence entre les modèles statistiques et les modèles à compartiments
- Understand the difference between parameters and state variables
  Comprendre la différence entre les paramètres et les variables d'état
- Understand the difference between discrete-time and continuous-time models
  Comprendre la différence entre les modèles à temps discret et les modèles à temps continu
- Understand how to formalize and conceptualize compartmental models
  Comprendre comment formaliser et conceptualiser les modèles à compartiments

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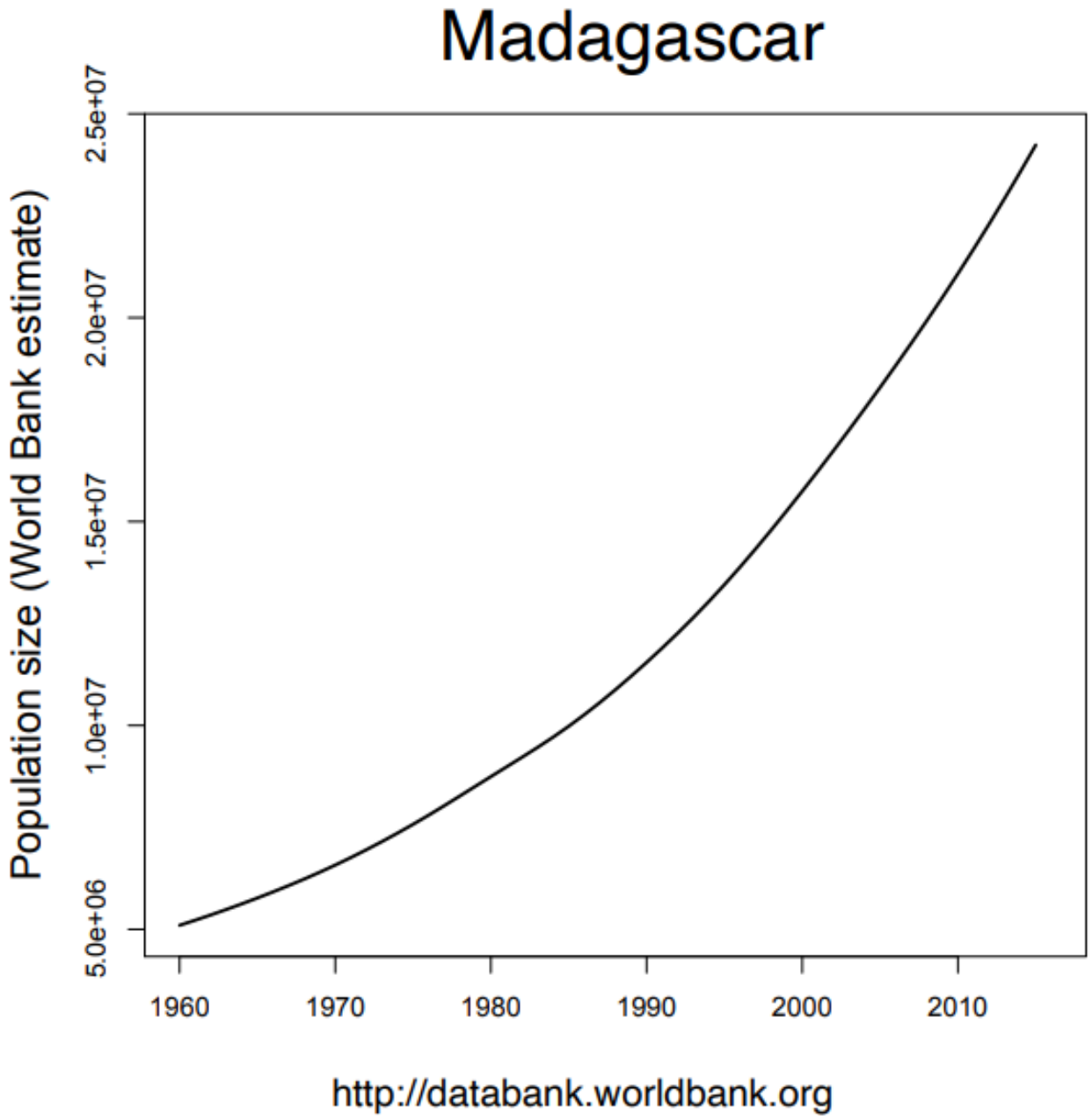
Compartmental models make explicit hypotheses about biological mechanisms that drive dynamics
(may not be realistic, but still explicit)

Les modèles à compartements font des hypothèses explicites sur les mécanismes biologiques qui régissent la dynamique
(peut ne pas être réalistes, mais toujours explicites)

# 1. Simple Population Models

## Les modèles simples de population




What can we say about the population of Madagascar?

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

# The basic population model

How does the population of Madagascar grow over time?

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

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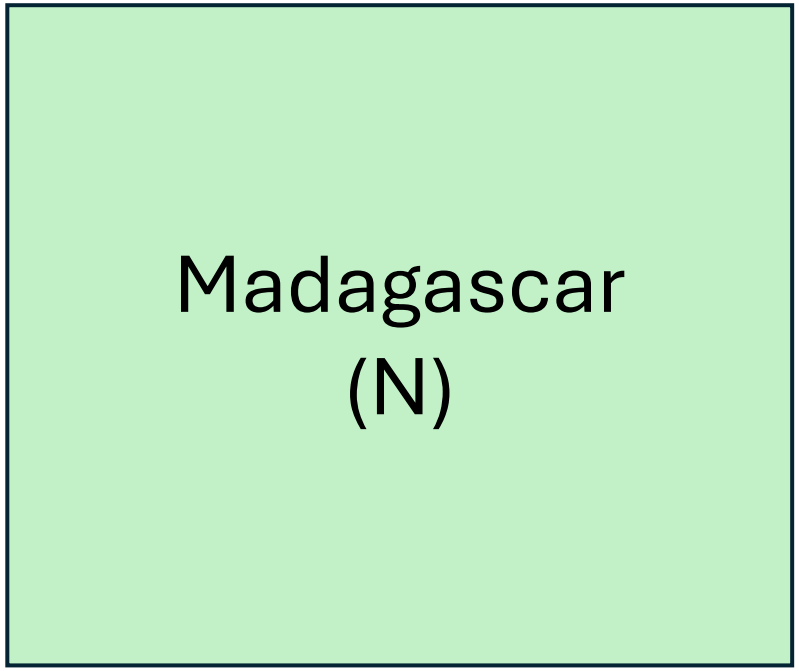
Square = **compartment**

N = **state variable** = the data we want to explain



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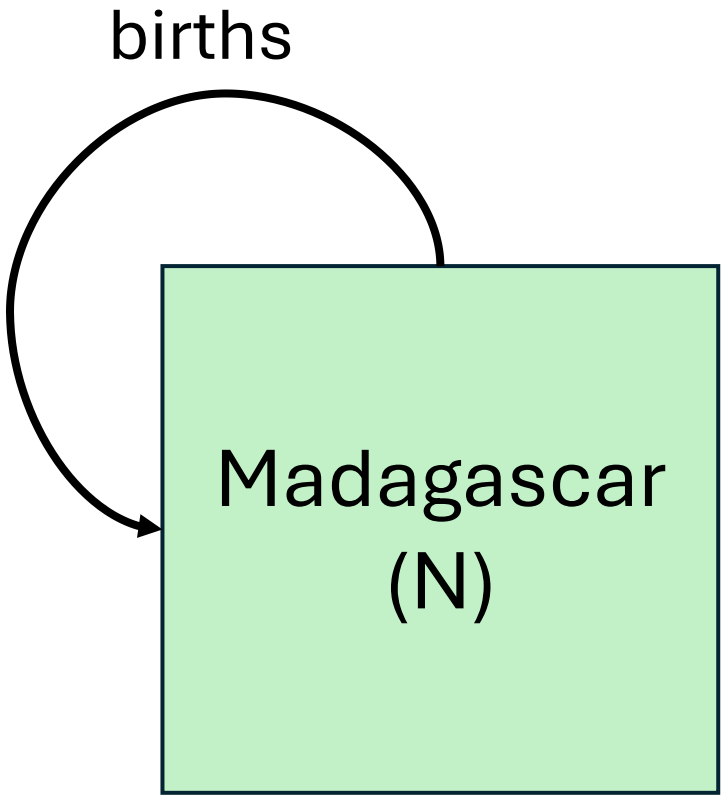

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Comment est-ce que la population diminue ?

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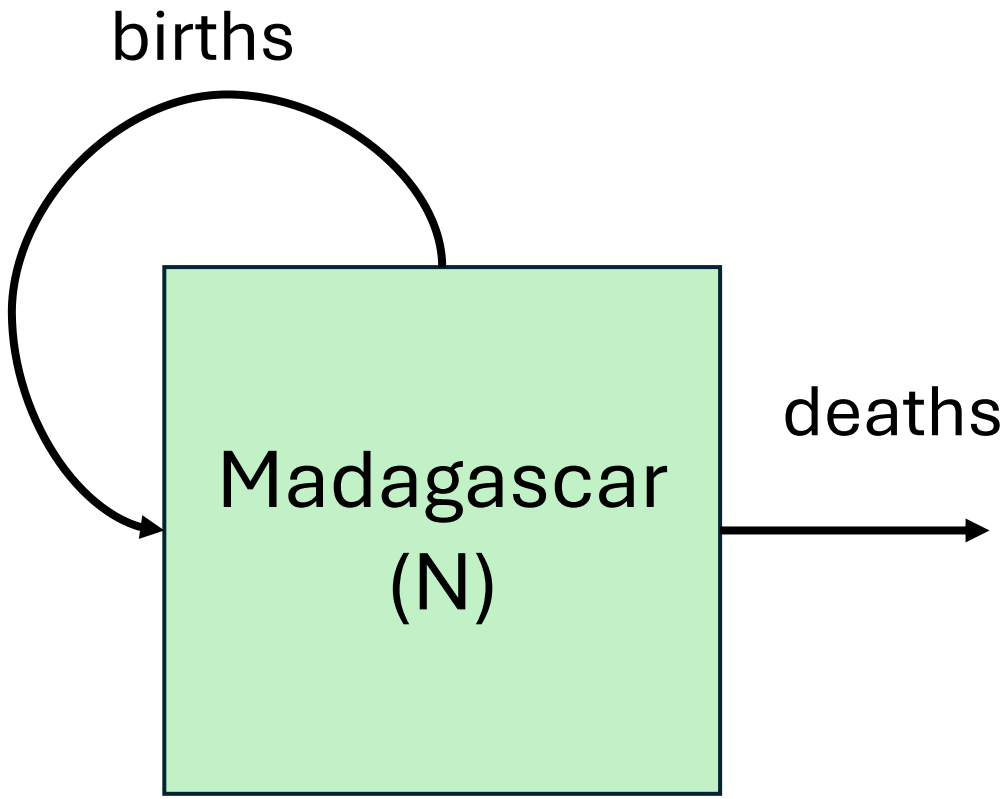

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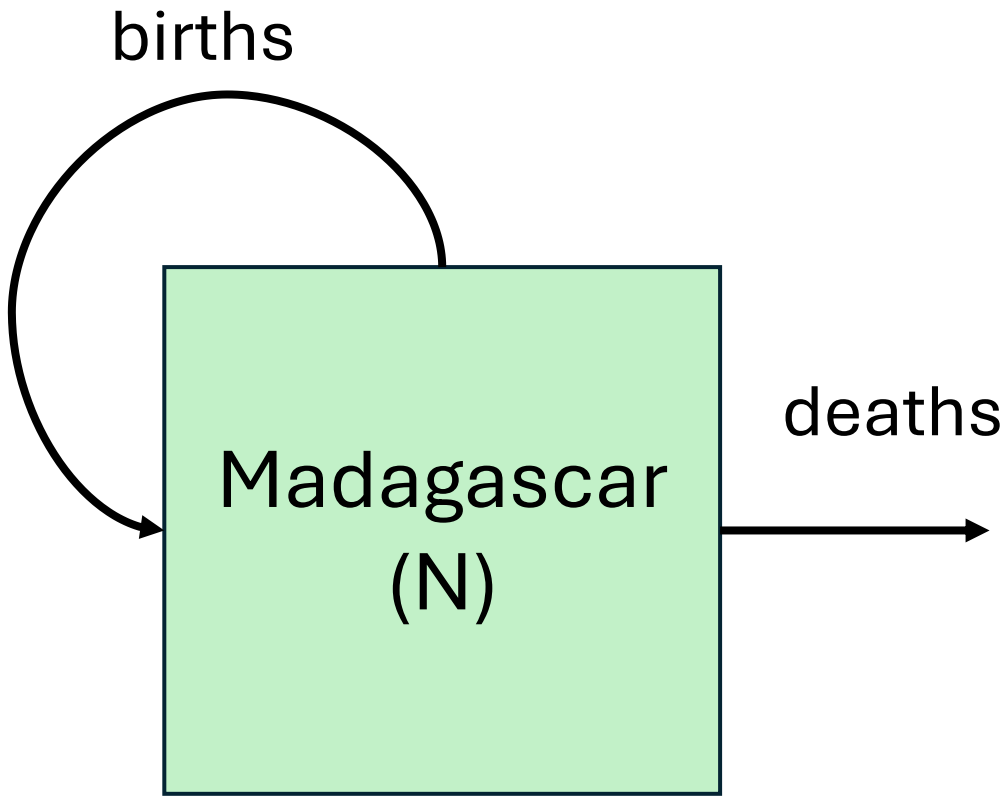


What is a big assumption we are making here?

C’est quoi une hypothèse importante que nous faisons ici ?

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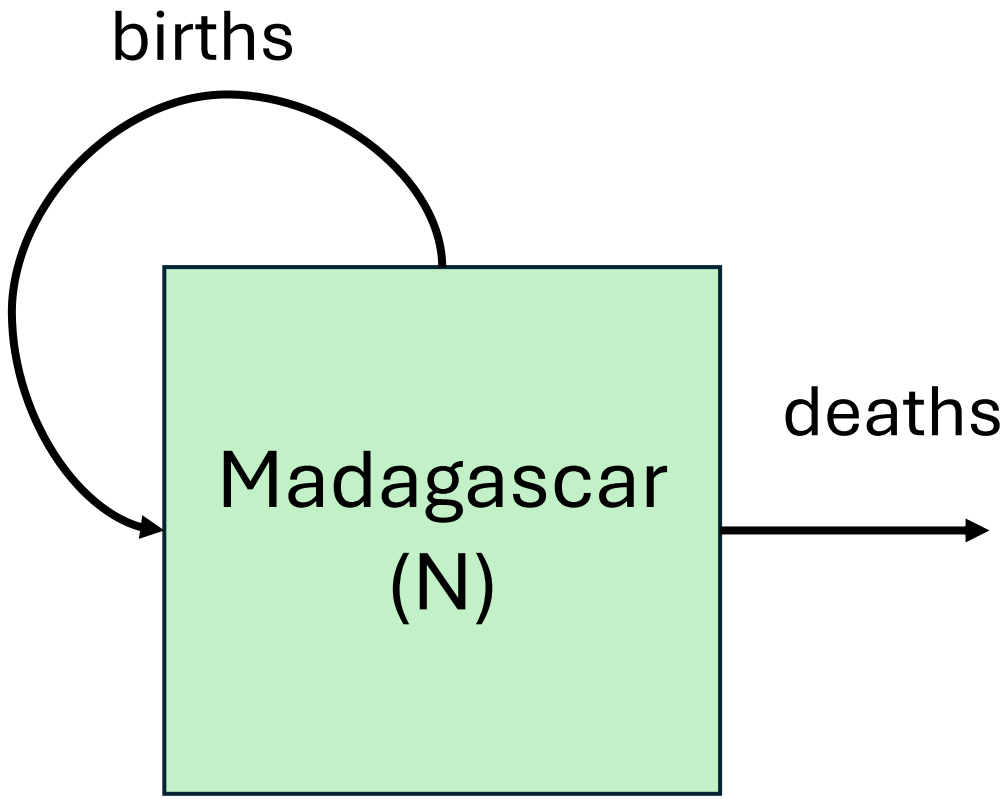

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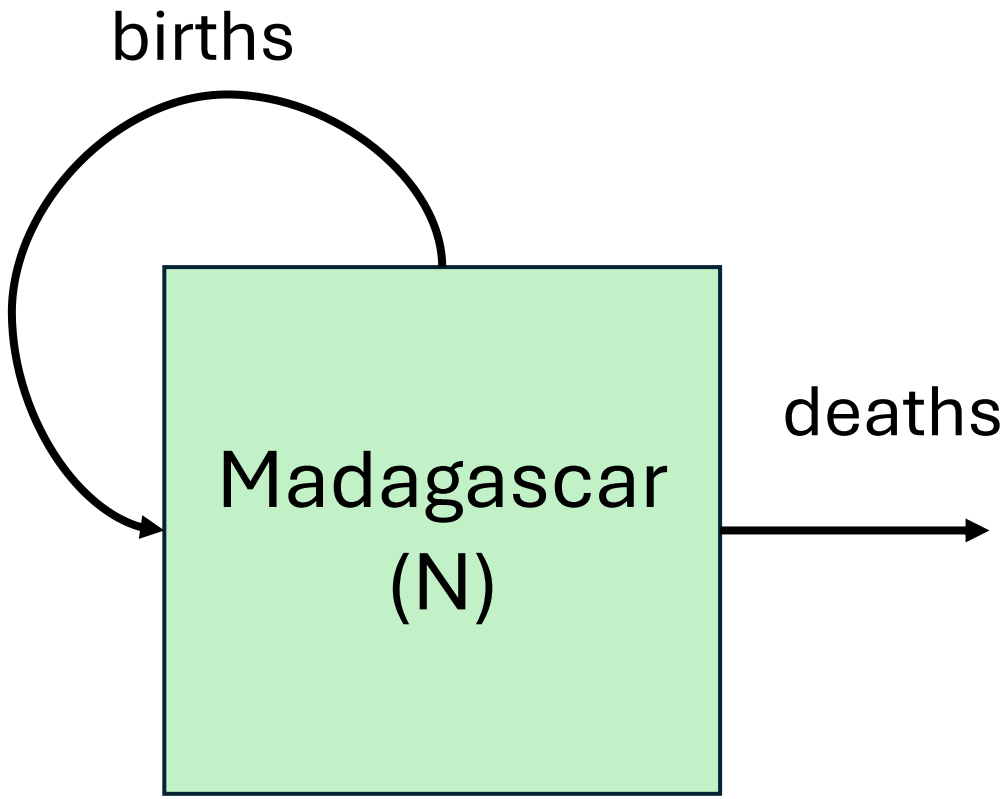

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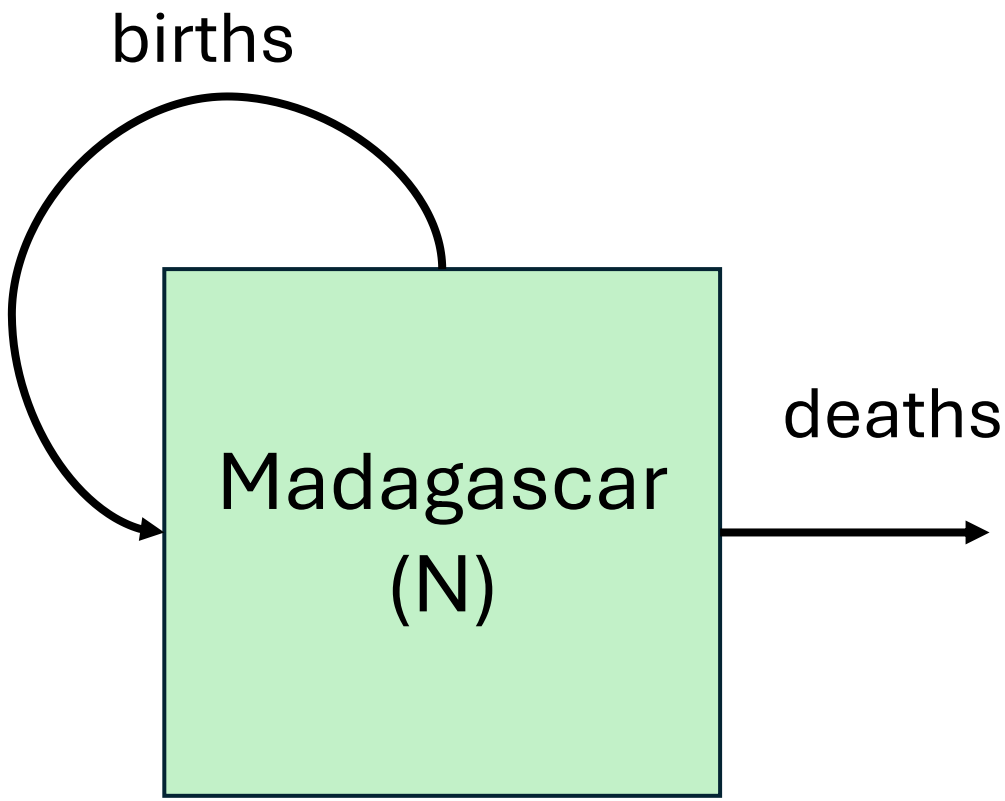

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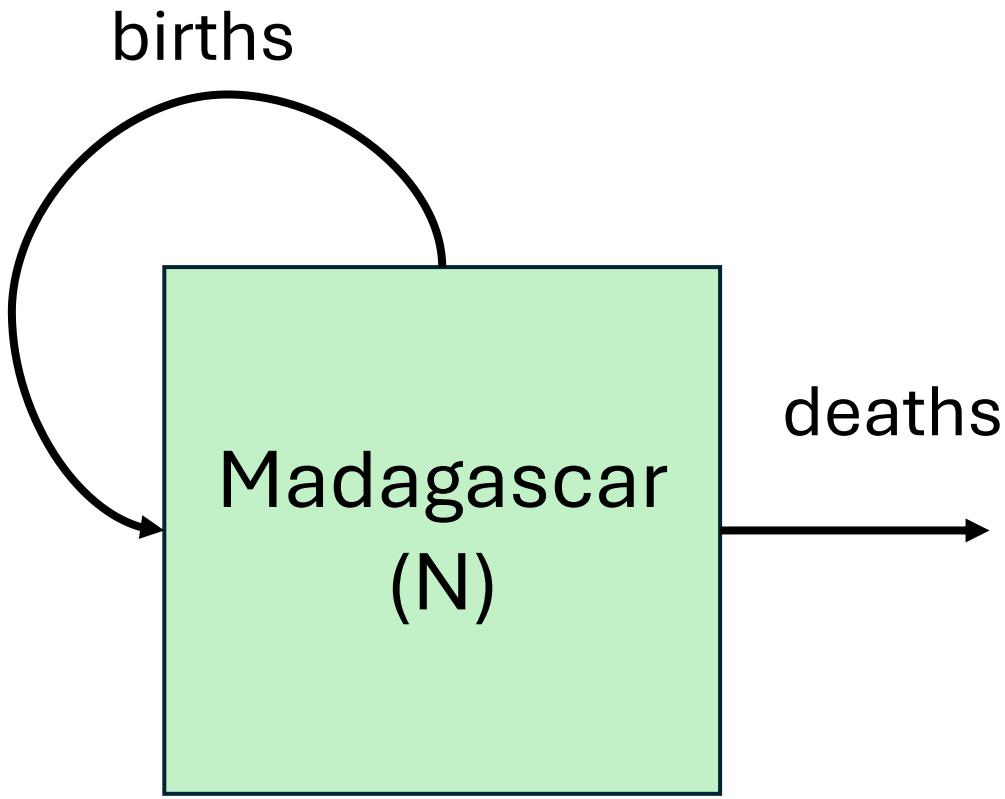

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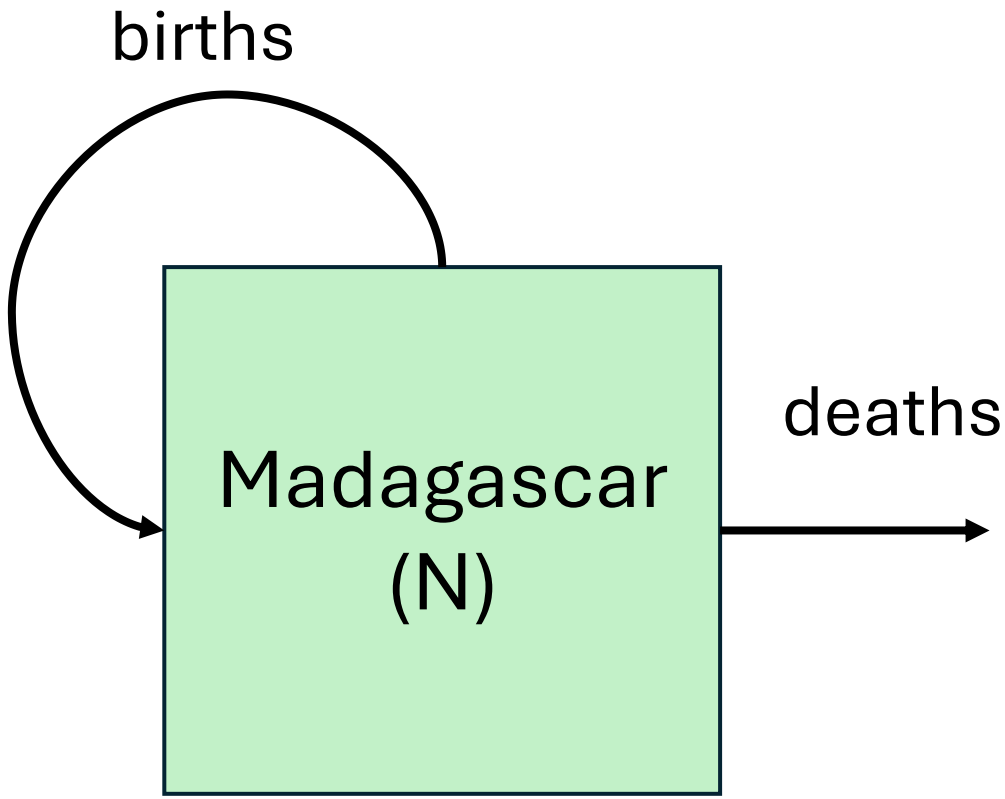

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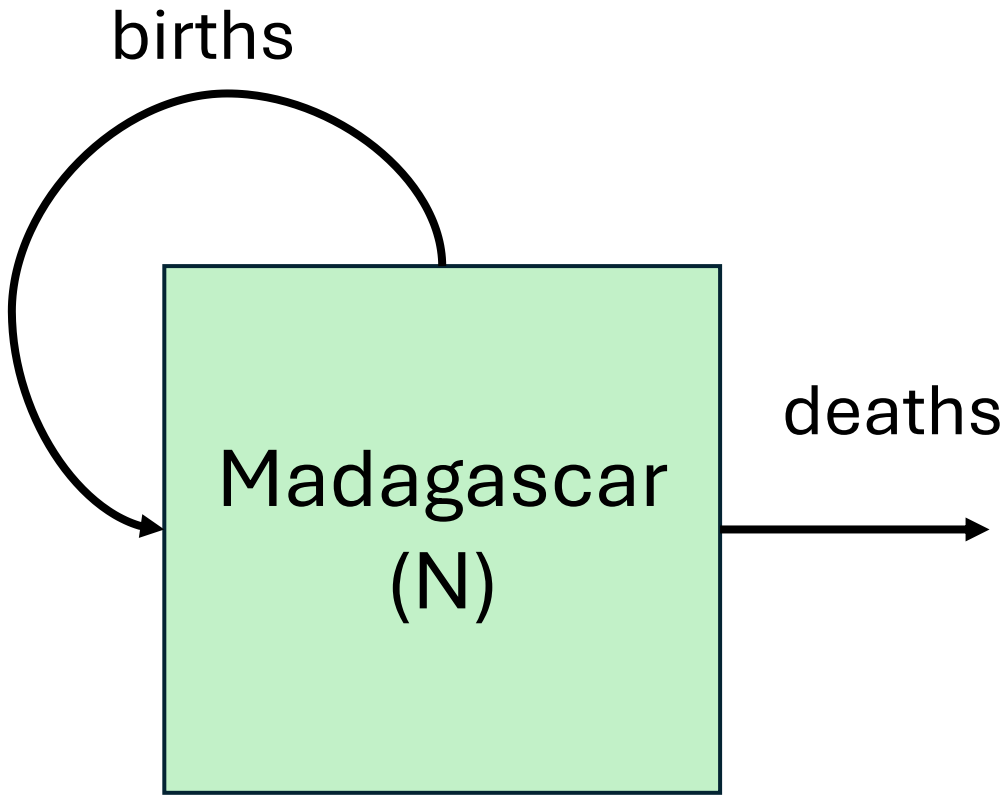


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$$N_{t+1}=\lambda*N_t$$

$\lambda$ = pop intrinsic growth rate

# Checking In

What are the main assumptions of a single population model?
Quelles sont les principales hypothèses d’un modèle d’une seule population?

What does lambda represent?
Que représente le lambda?

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- No immigration (sans immigration)
- Homogenous mixing (mélange homogène)
- Same birth and death rate for each person (les mêmes taux de natalité et de mortalité pour chaque personne)

What is lambda?

- Population intrinsic growth rate (taux de croissance intrinsèque)

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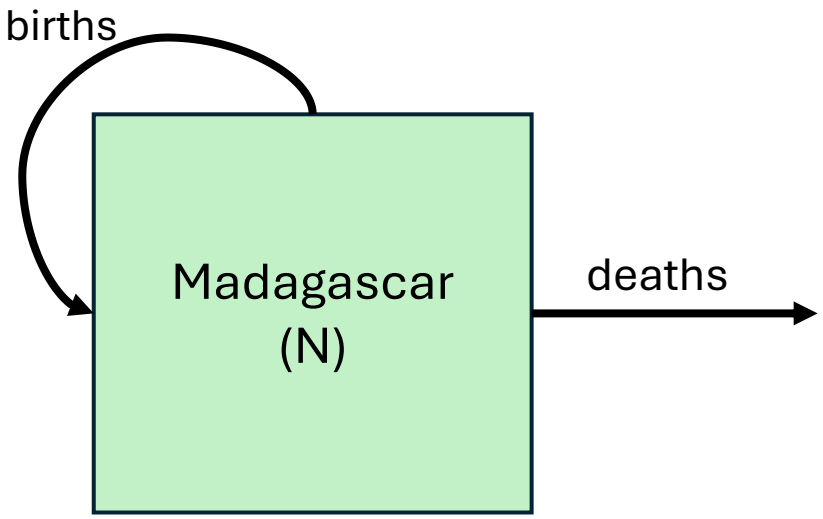


$$\lambda = \frac{N_{t+1}}{N_t}$$

$N_{t+1}$ ← pop size at t+1

$N_t$ ← pop size at t

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

C'est pour un pas de temps, comment généraliser cette équation pour tous les pas de temps?

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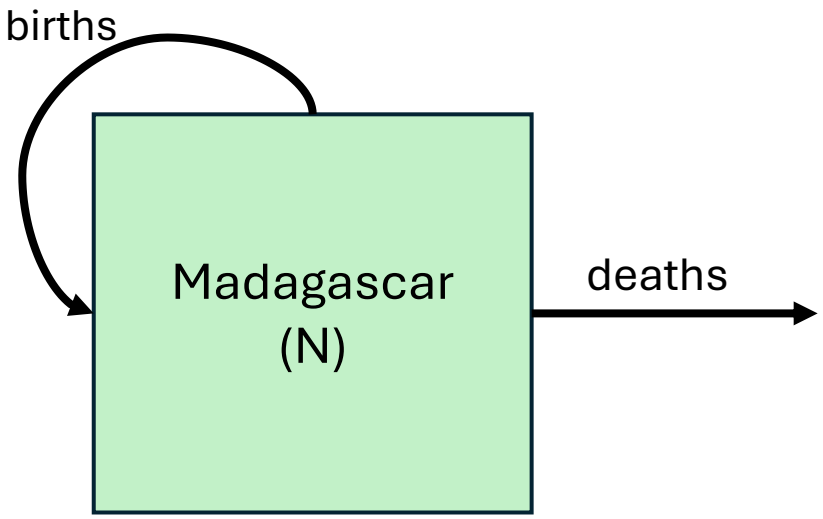


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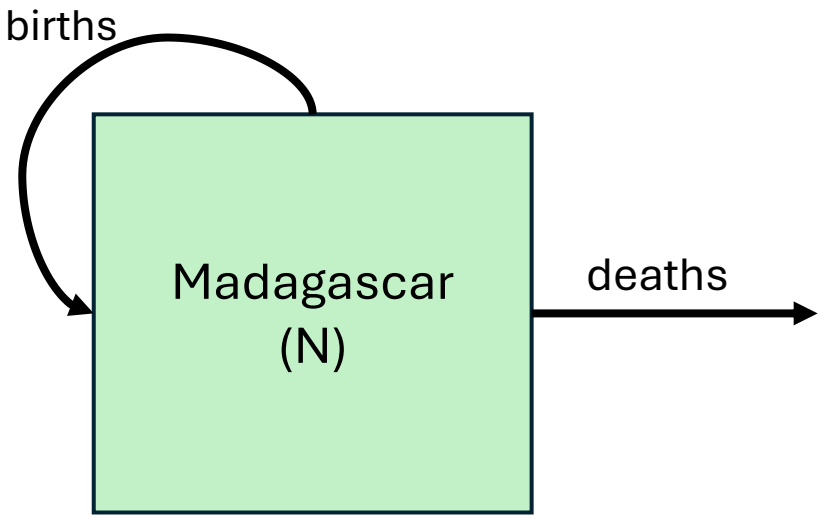


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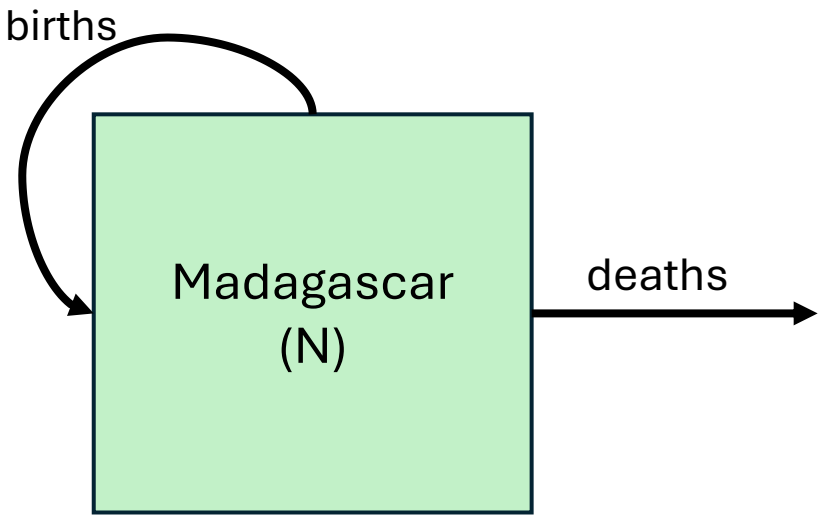


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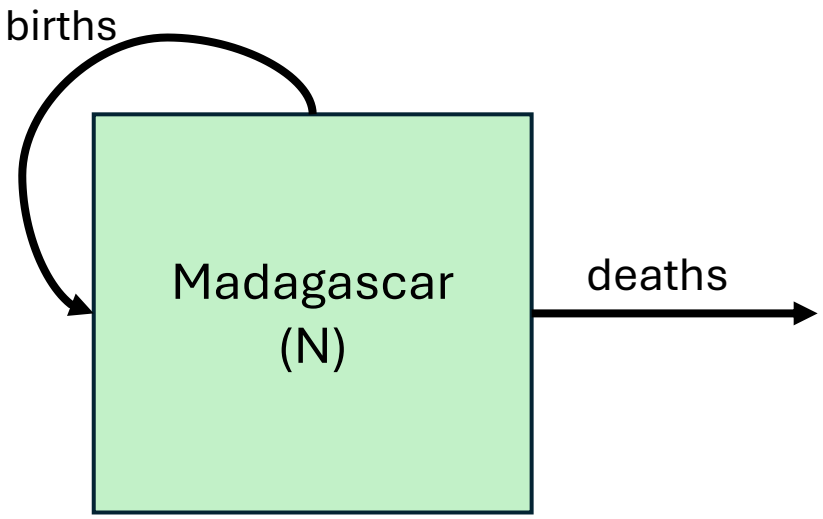


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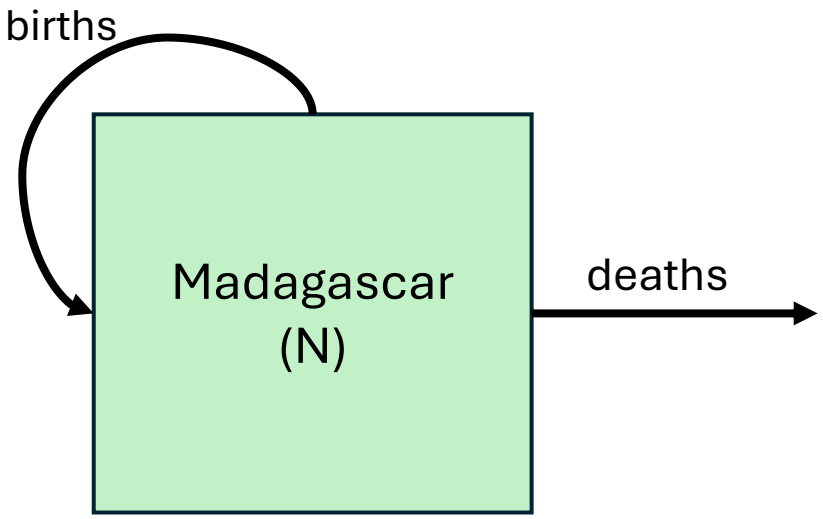


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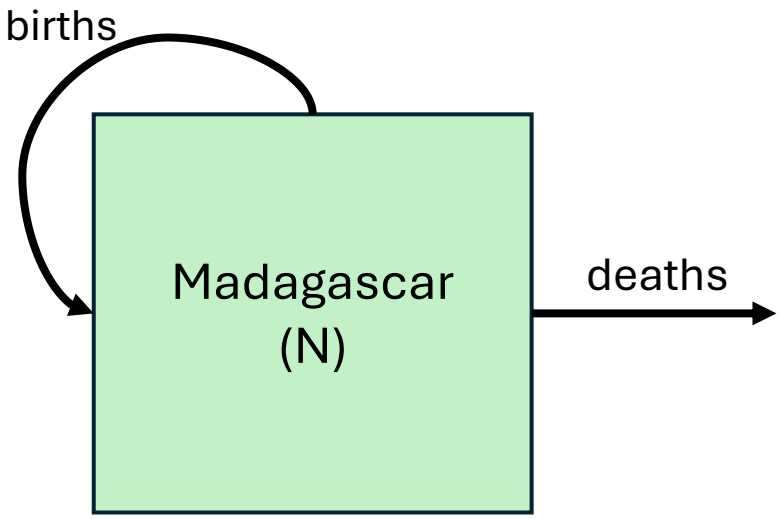


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What if we want to know the population size for any time t?

Not just where we have data?

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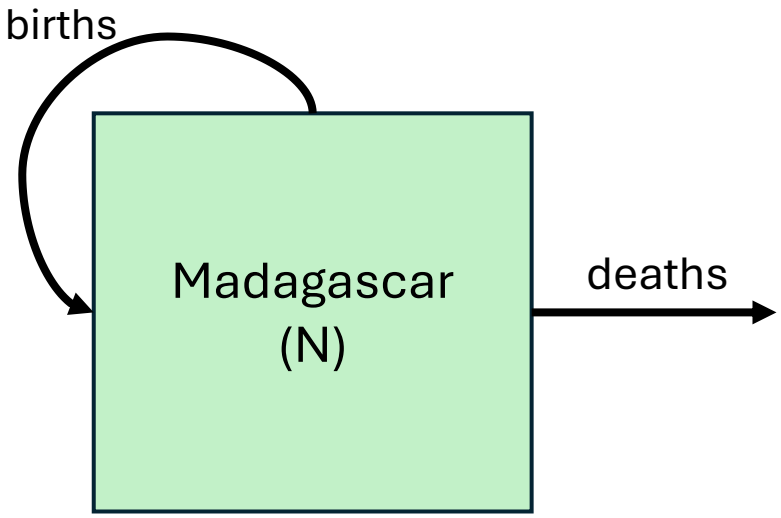


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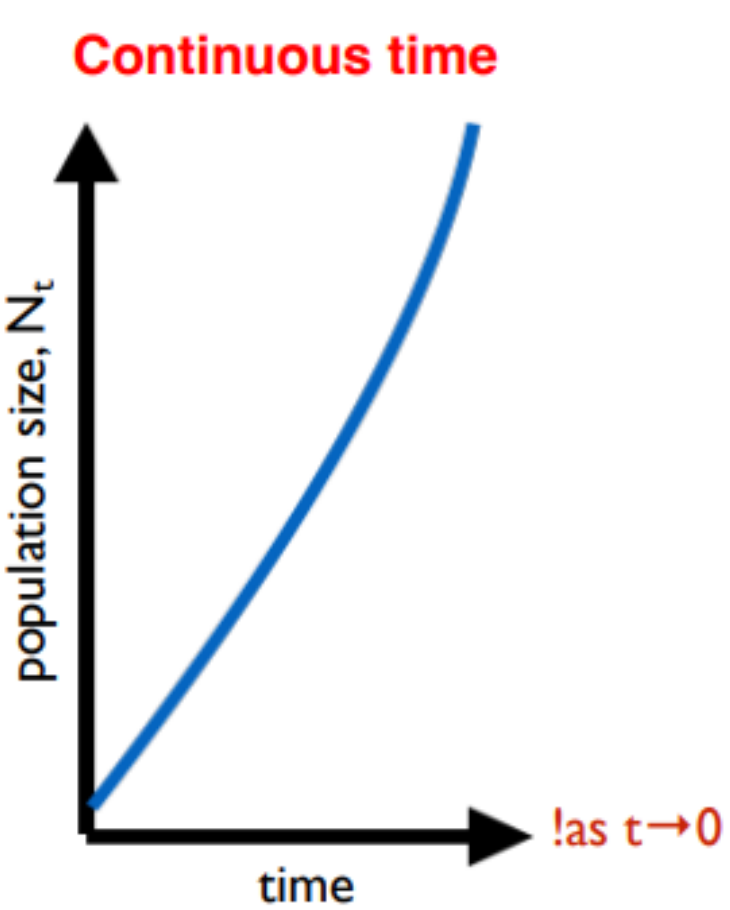

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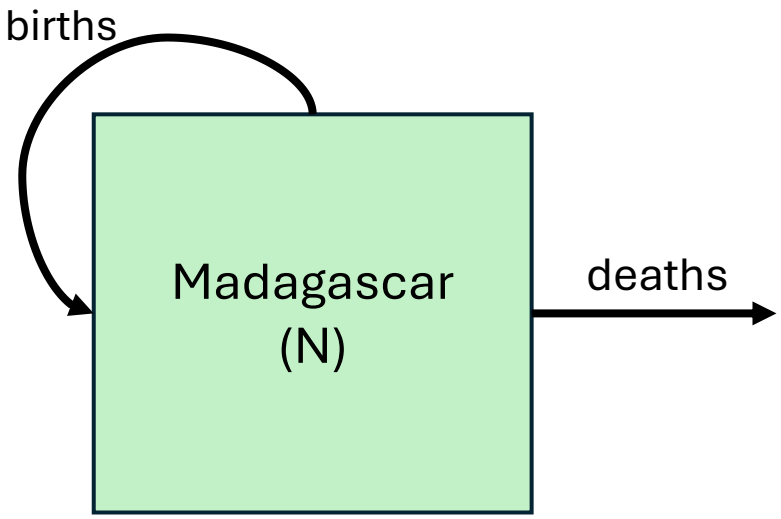


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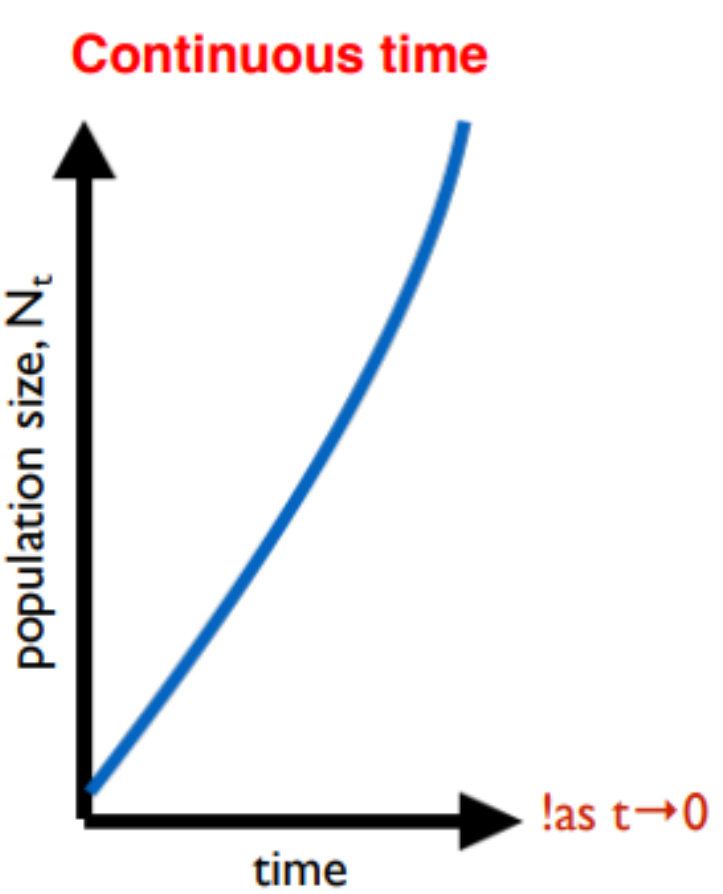


How do we get the same type of equation for continuous time?

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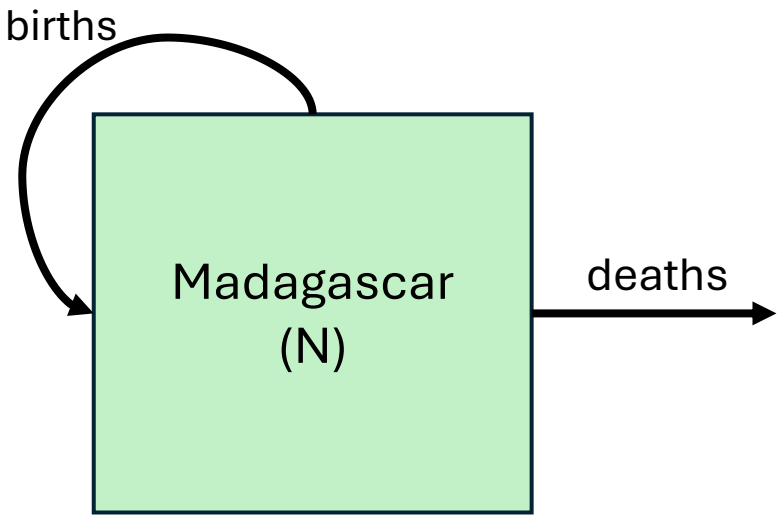


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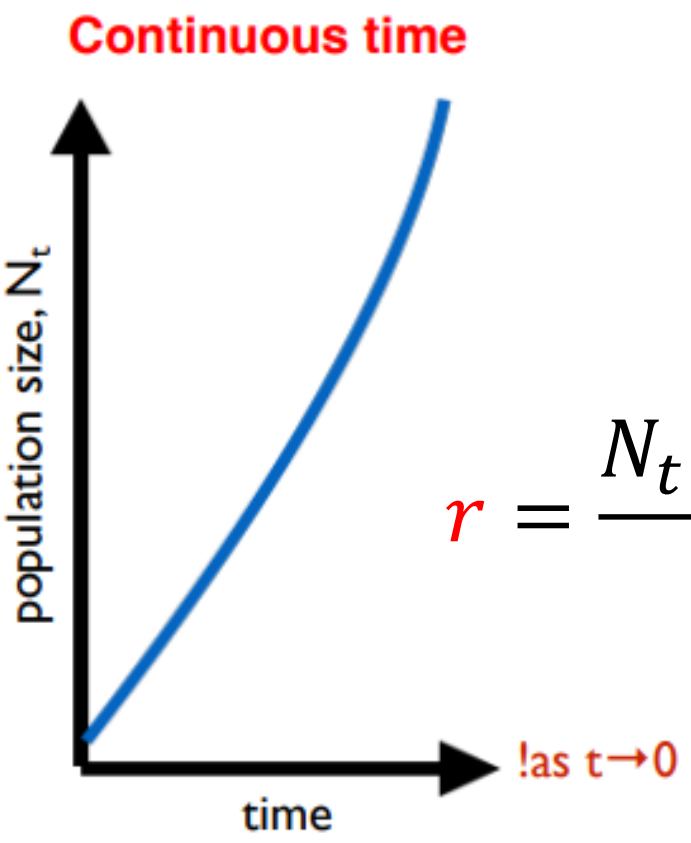


$$r = \frac{N_t - N_0}{t}$$

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

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*Solve for N(t):*

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

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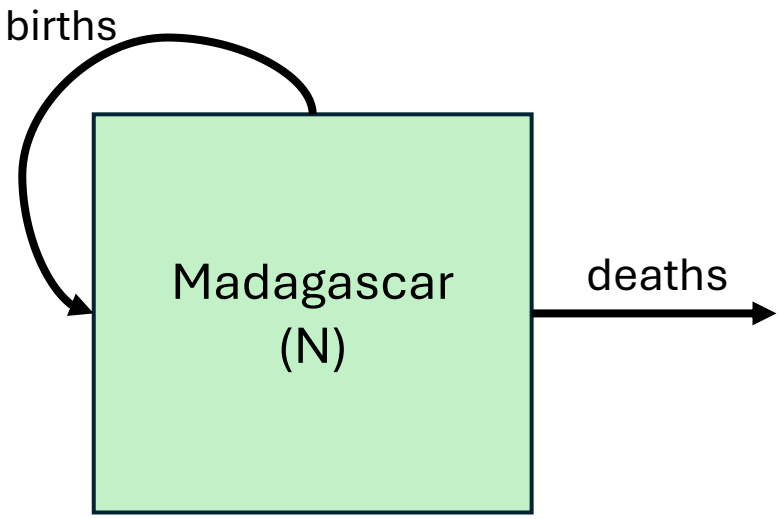



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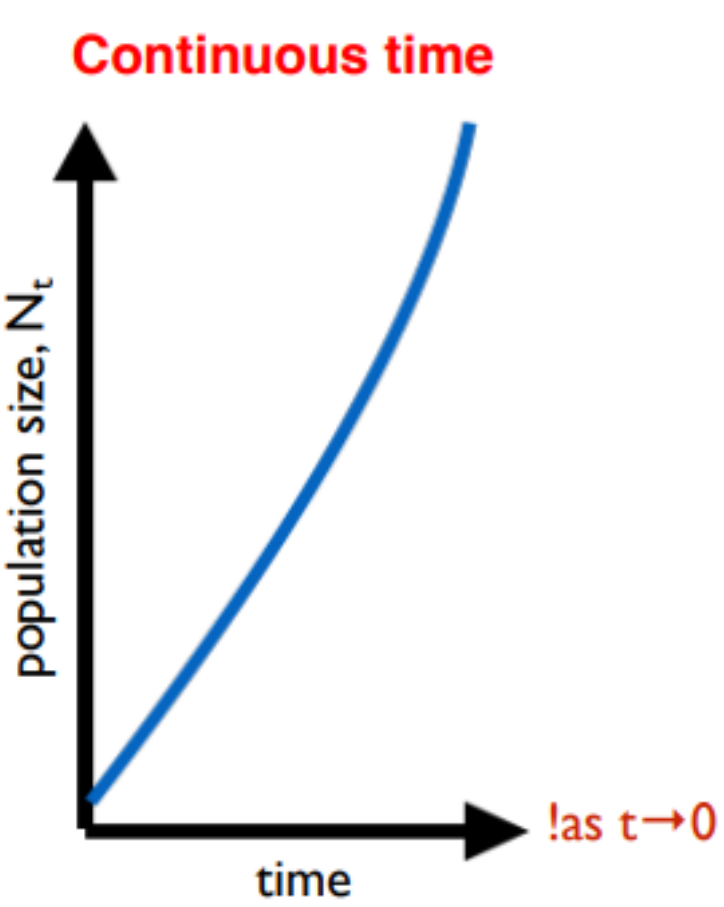


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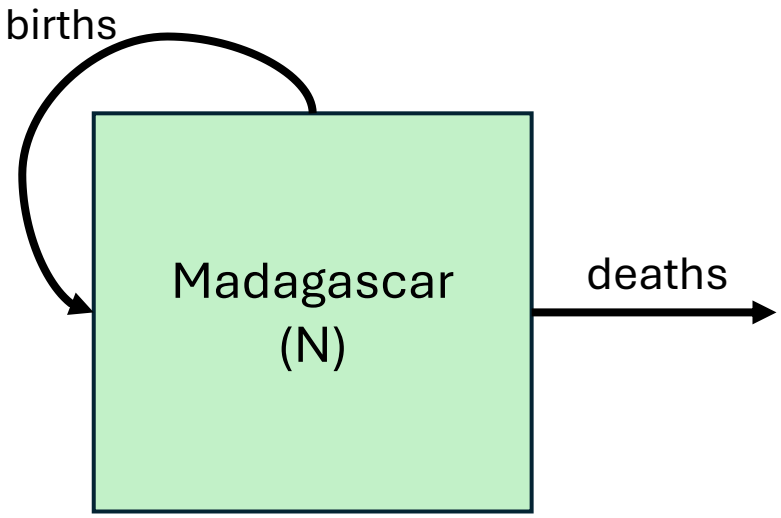


When does a population grow?

Discrete: $\lambda > 1$

Continuous: $r > 0$


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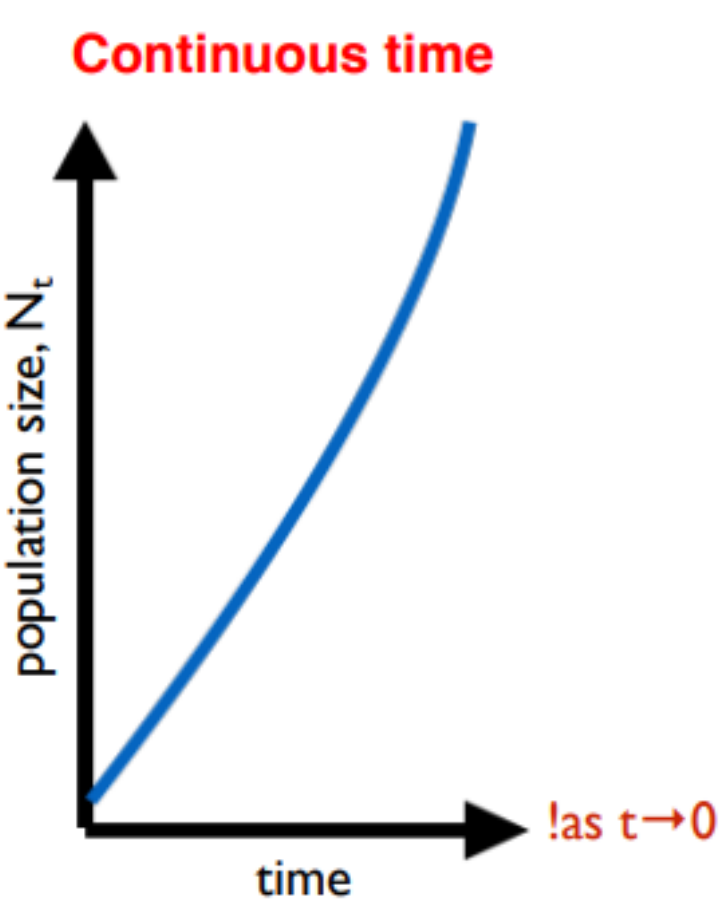


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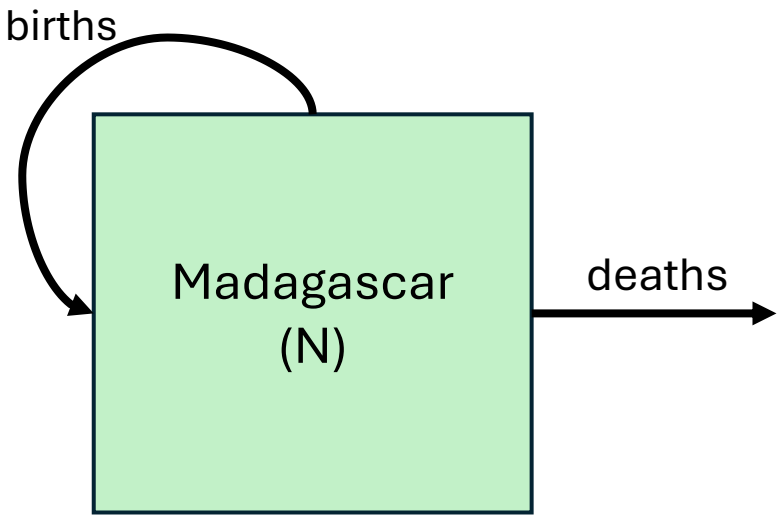


Discrete ⟷ Continuous

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

Les modèles à temps continu peuvent être discrétisés; les modèles à temps discret peuvent être approximés par ceux à temps continu. Le choix approprié peut dépender des données/de la question.

# Checking In

What is the difference between discrete and continuous models?
Quelle est la différence entre les modèles à temps discret et à temps continu ?

What math is used in discrete population models?
Continuous population models?
Quel type de mathématique est utilisé dans les modèles à temps discret et à temps continu ?

# Checking In

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 population models? Continuous population models?

- Algebra, Calculus

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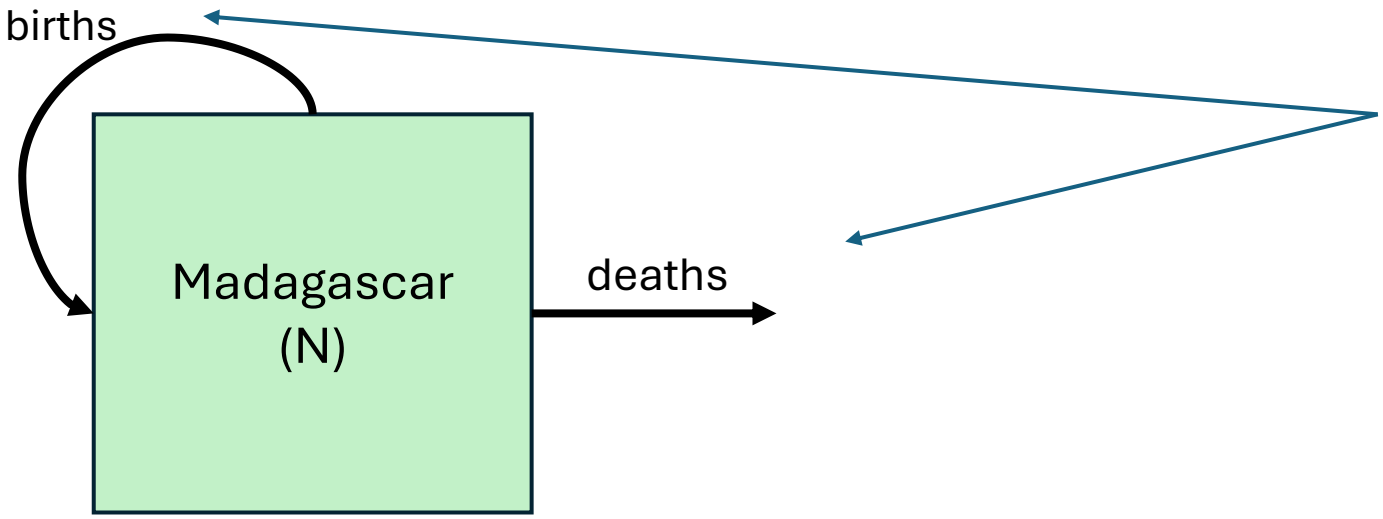


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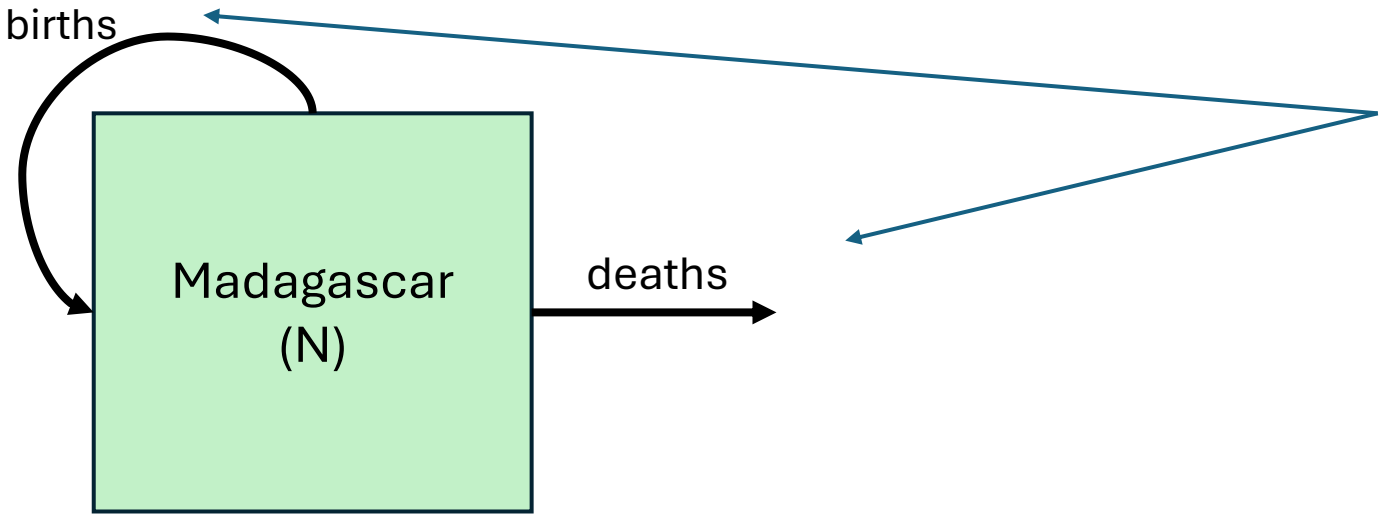


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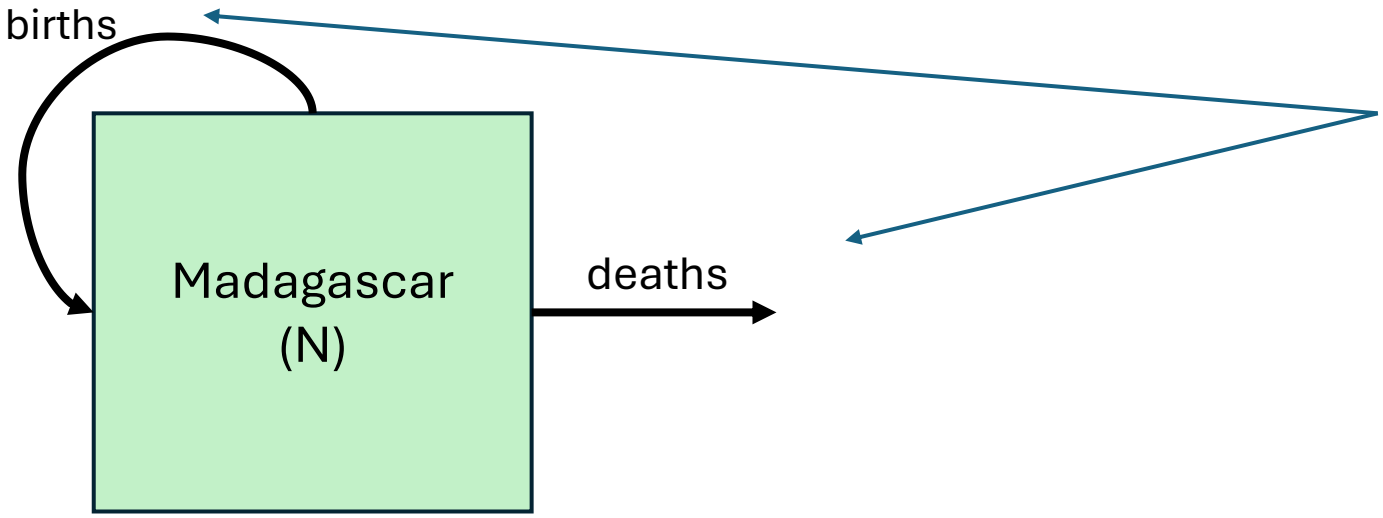


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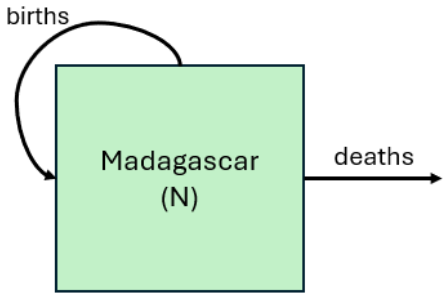
Comment intégrer la variation aléatoire de ces taux ?

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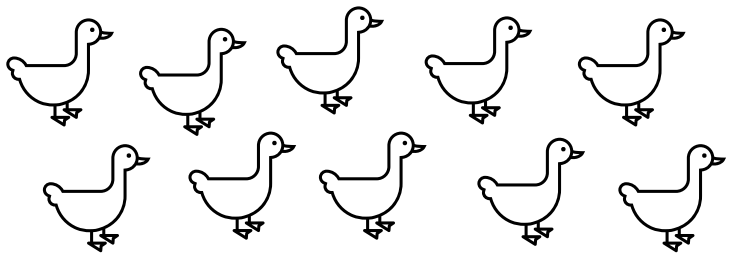

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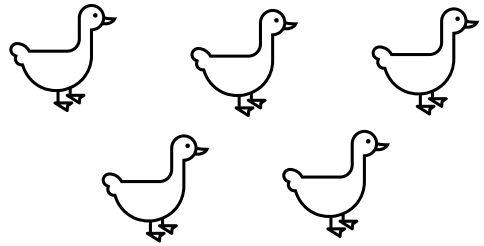

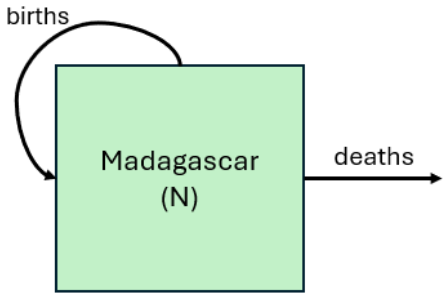


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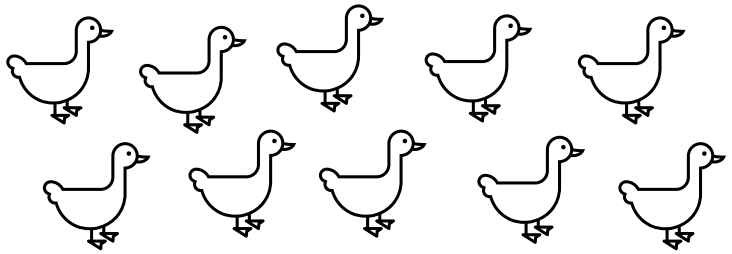

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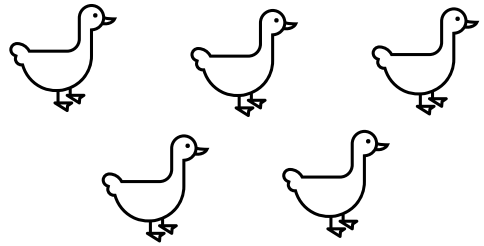

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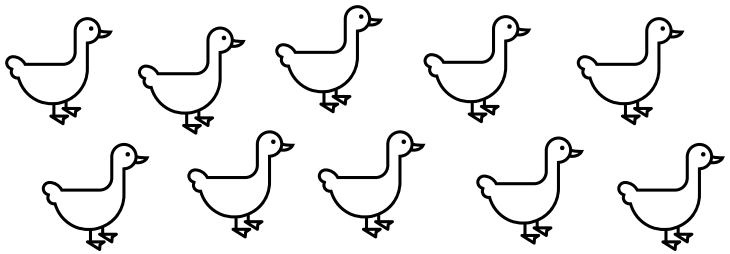

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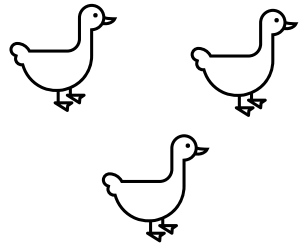

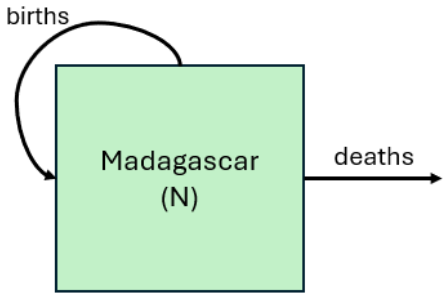


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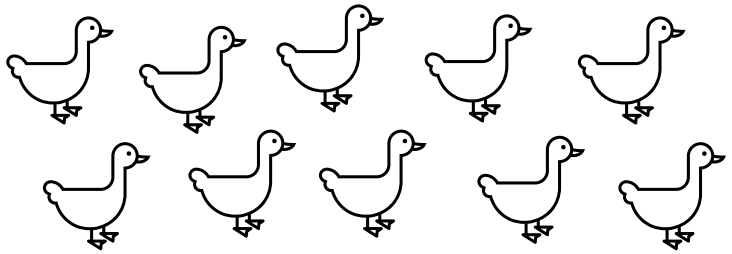

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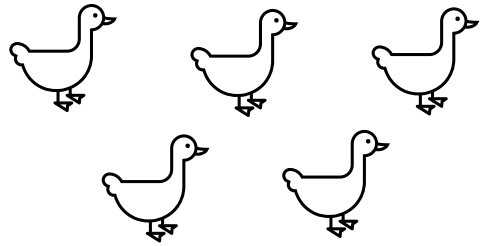

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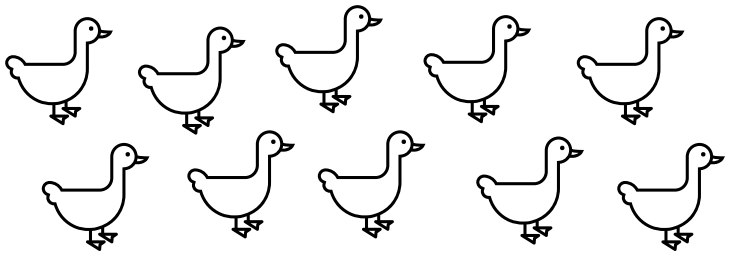

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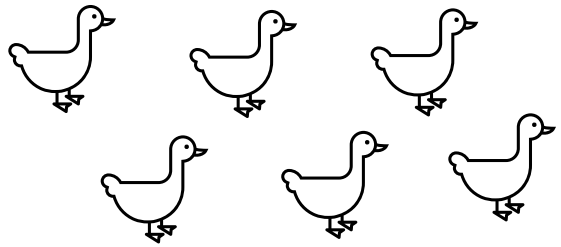

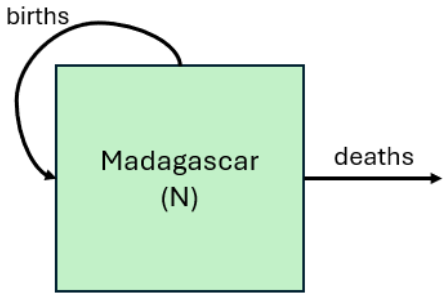


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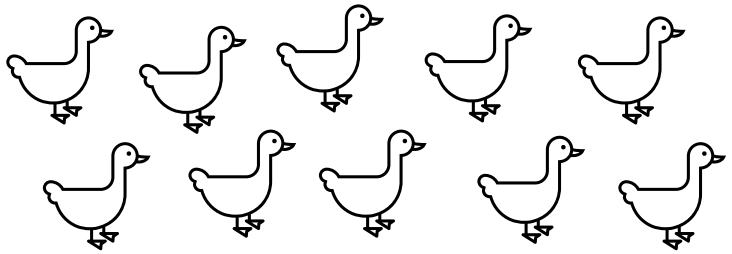

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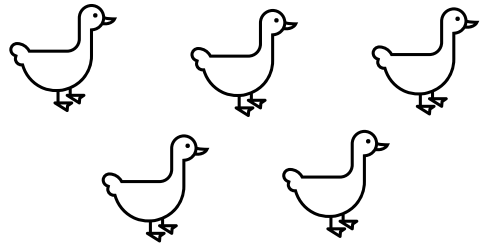

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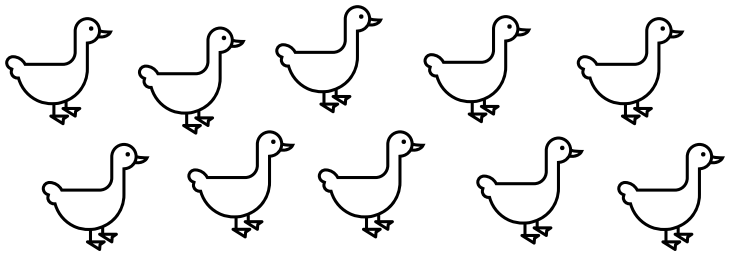

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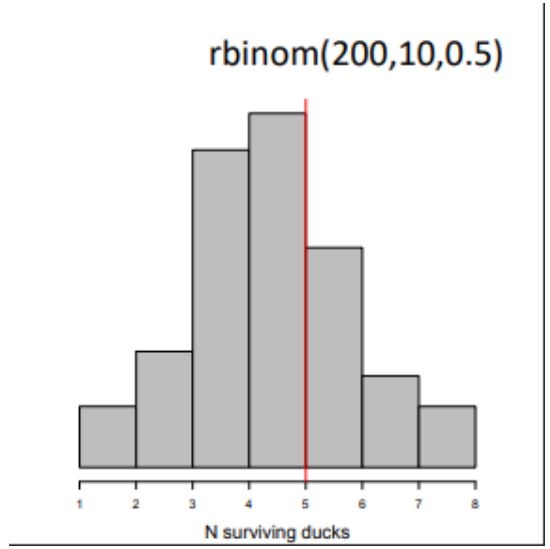

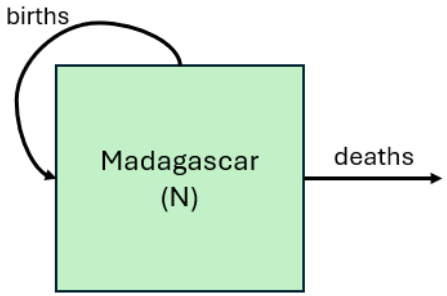


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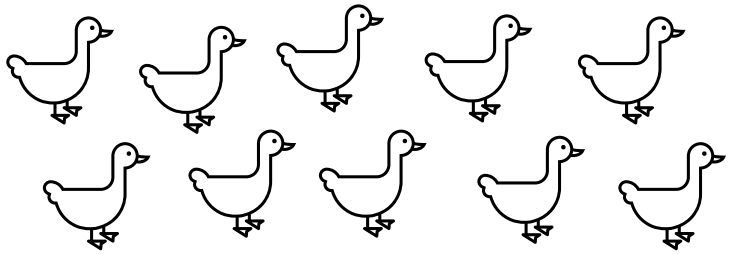

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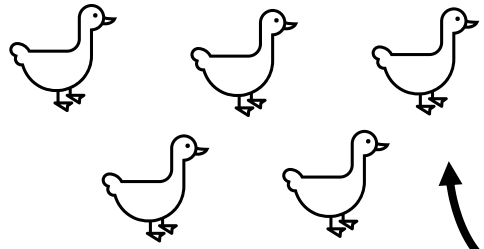

If you test your 10 ducks many times, on average you get 5

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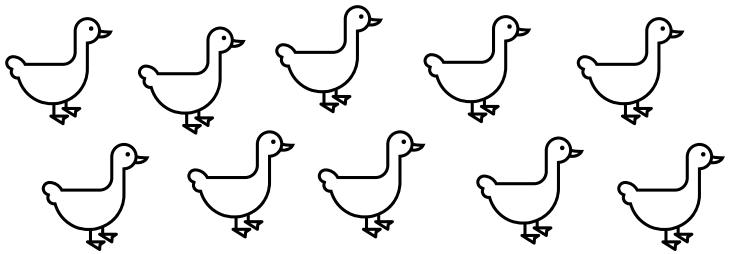

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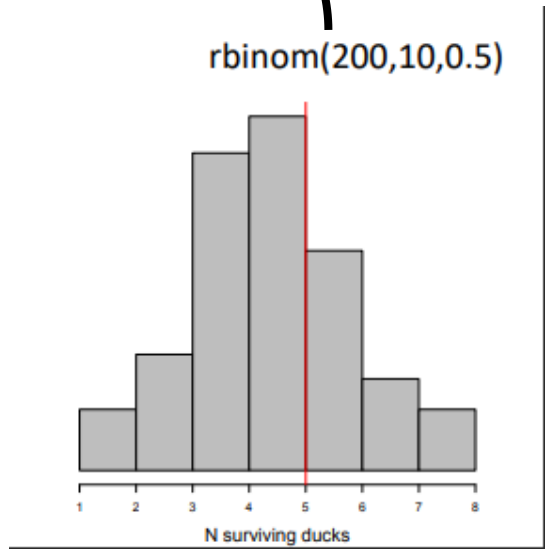

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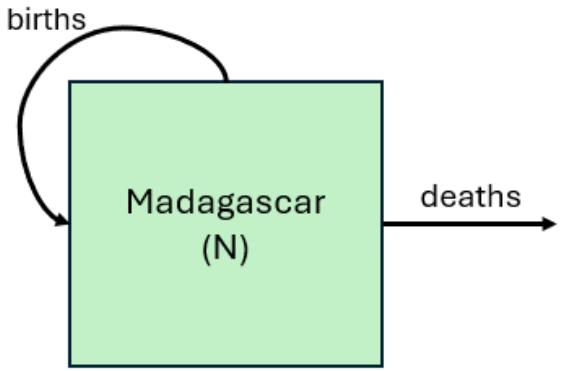
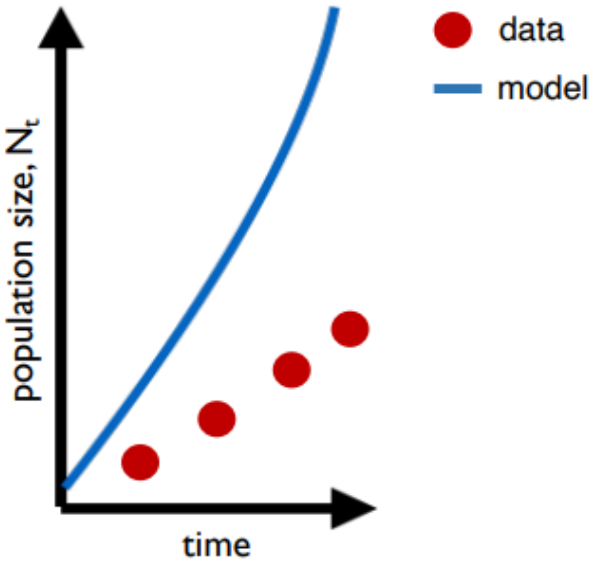
# 2. Structured Population Models

## Les modèles de la population structurées

# The structured population model

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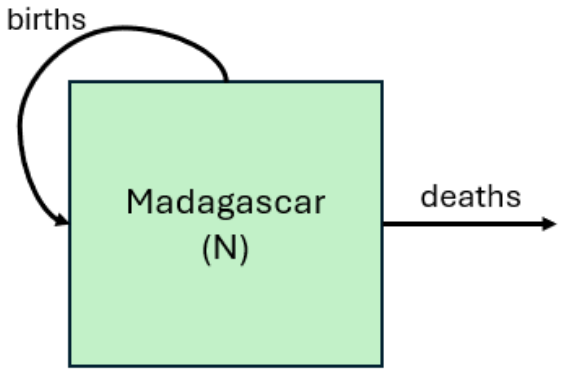


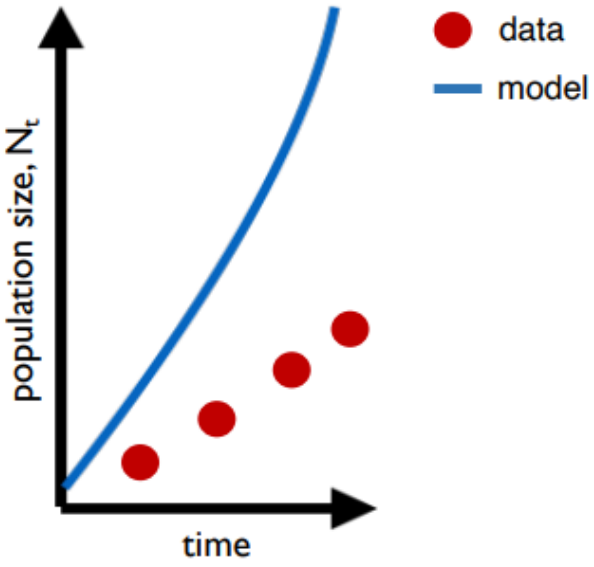


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That means distinguishing babies from adults.

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How does the population of Madagascar grow over time?

Comment est-ce que la population de Madagascar croît avec le passage du temps ?

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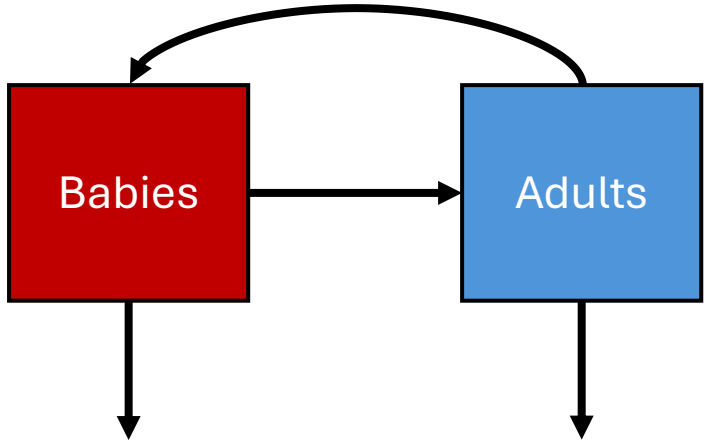

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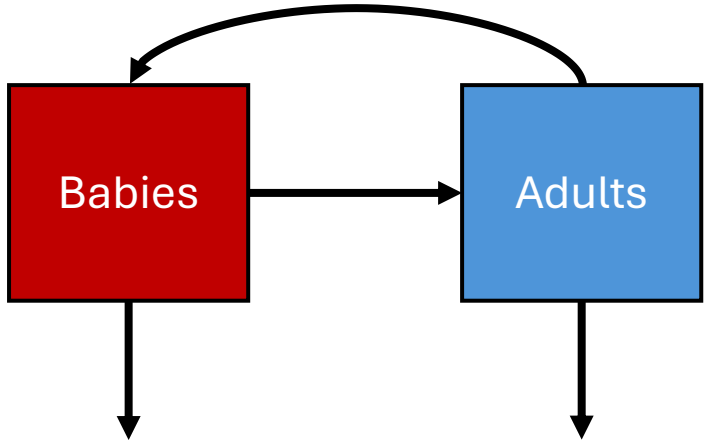

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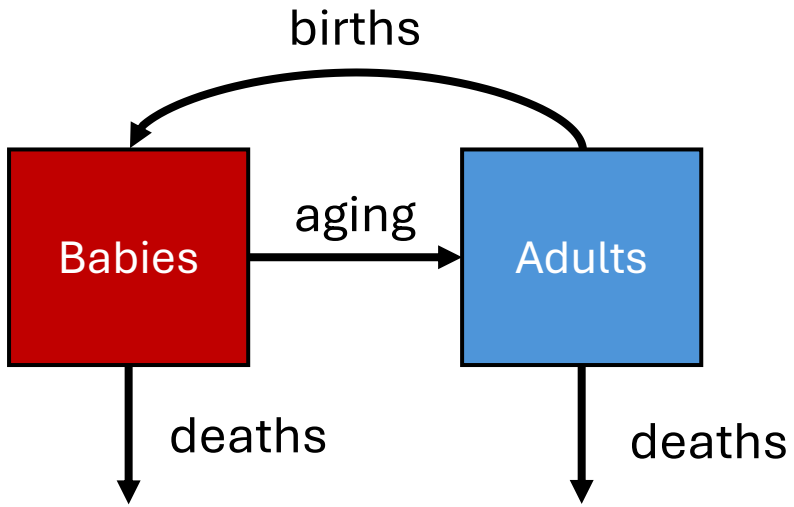

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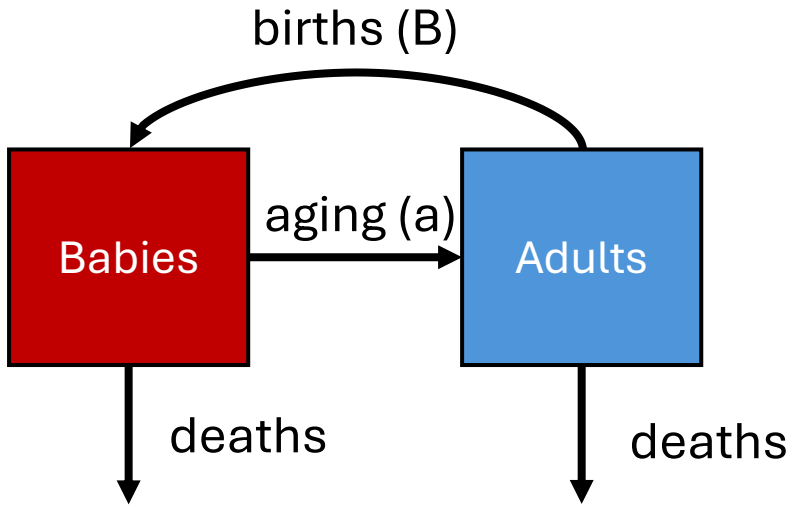


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pop size at t+1

pop size at t

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matrix of rates

vector of population sizes

*discrete time

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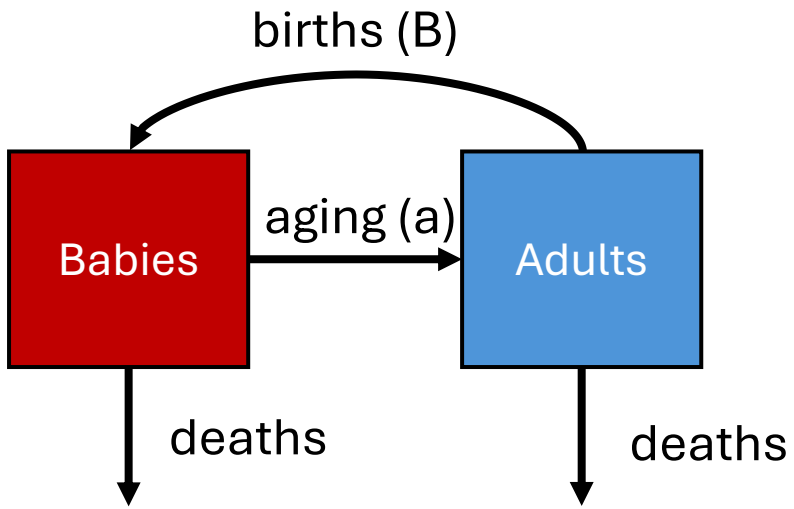


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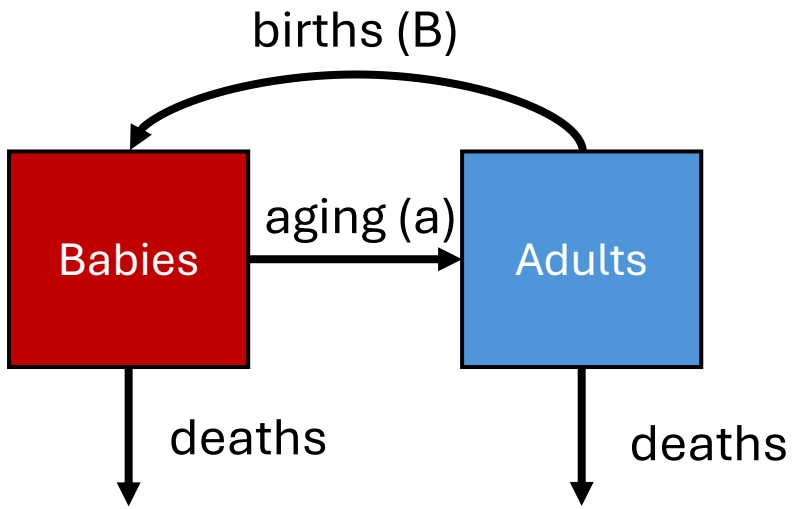


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Population growth will depend on population structure!

La croissance démographique dépendra de la structure de la population

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Comment modifier un modèle de population pour le structurer?

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

# 3. Two-population model

## Les modèles de deux populations

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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 lémuriens à Ranomafana?

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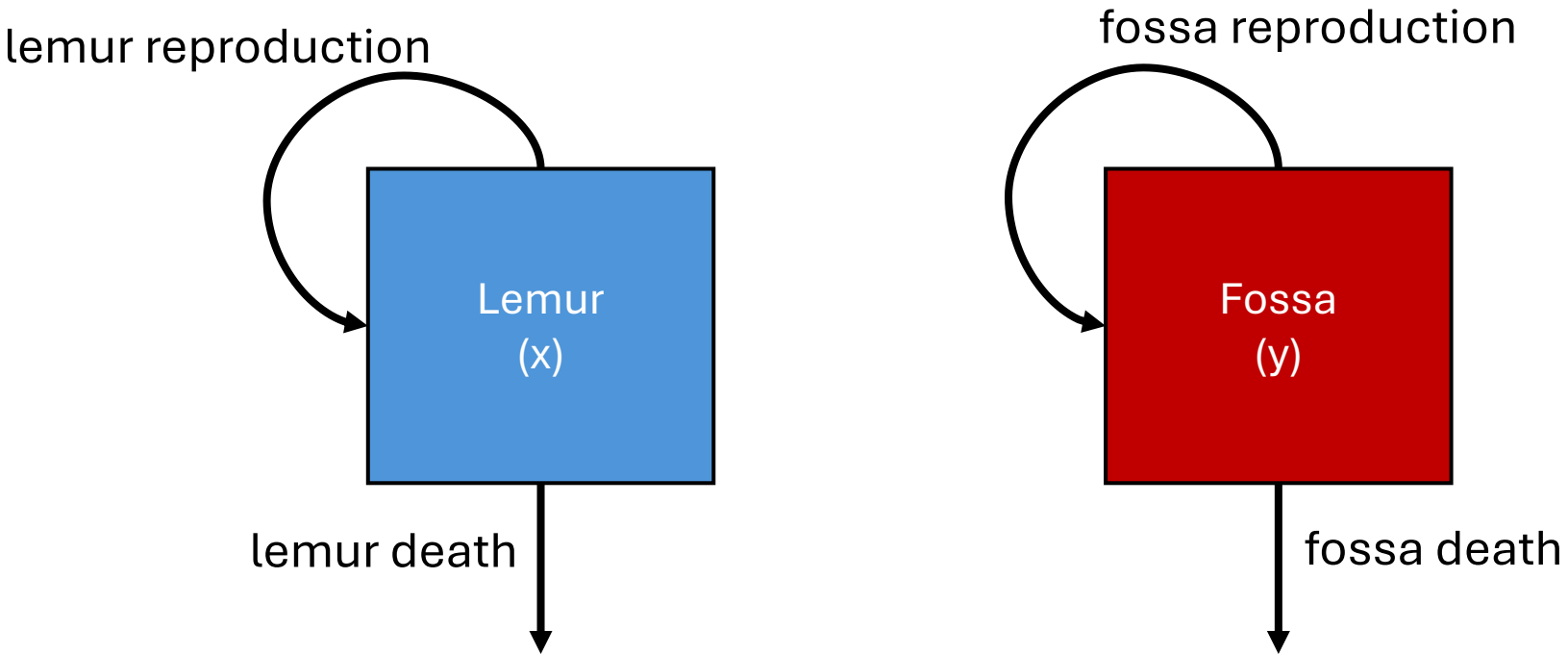

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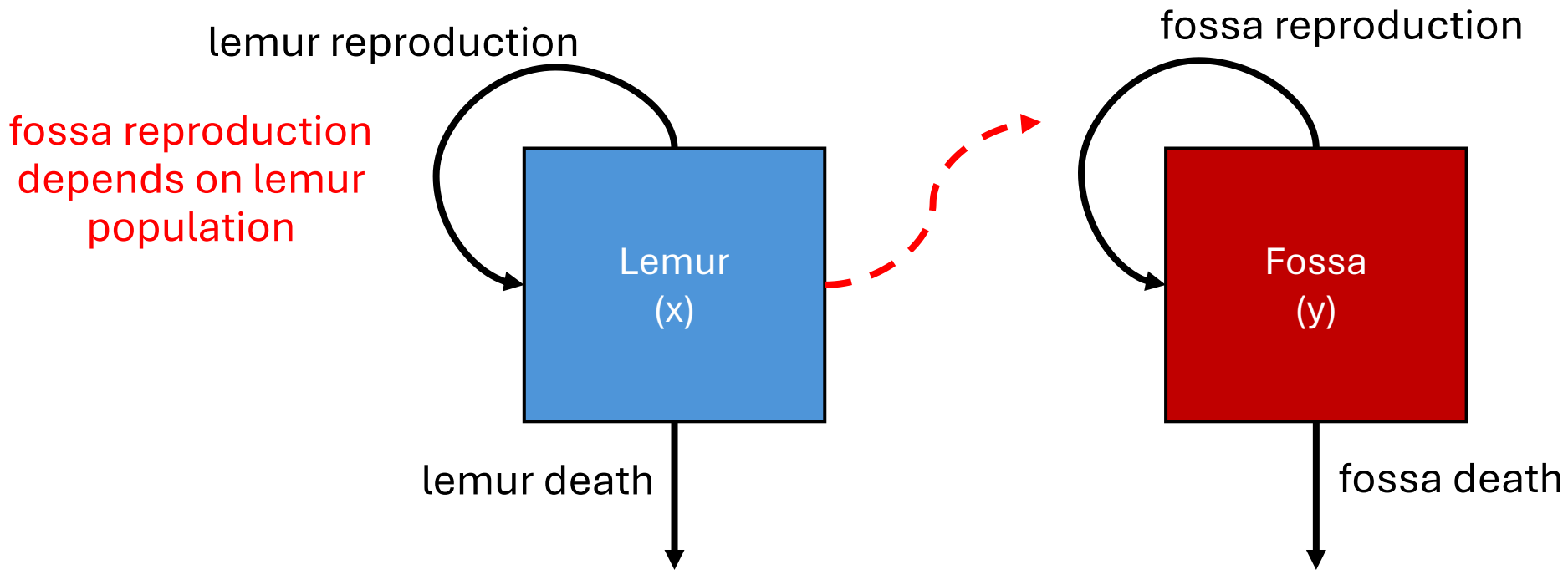

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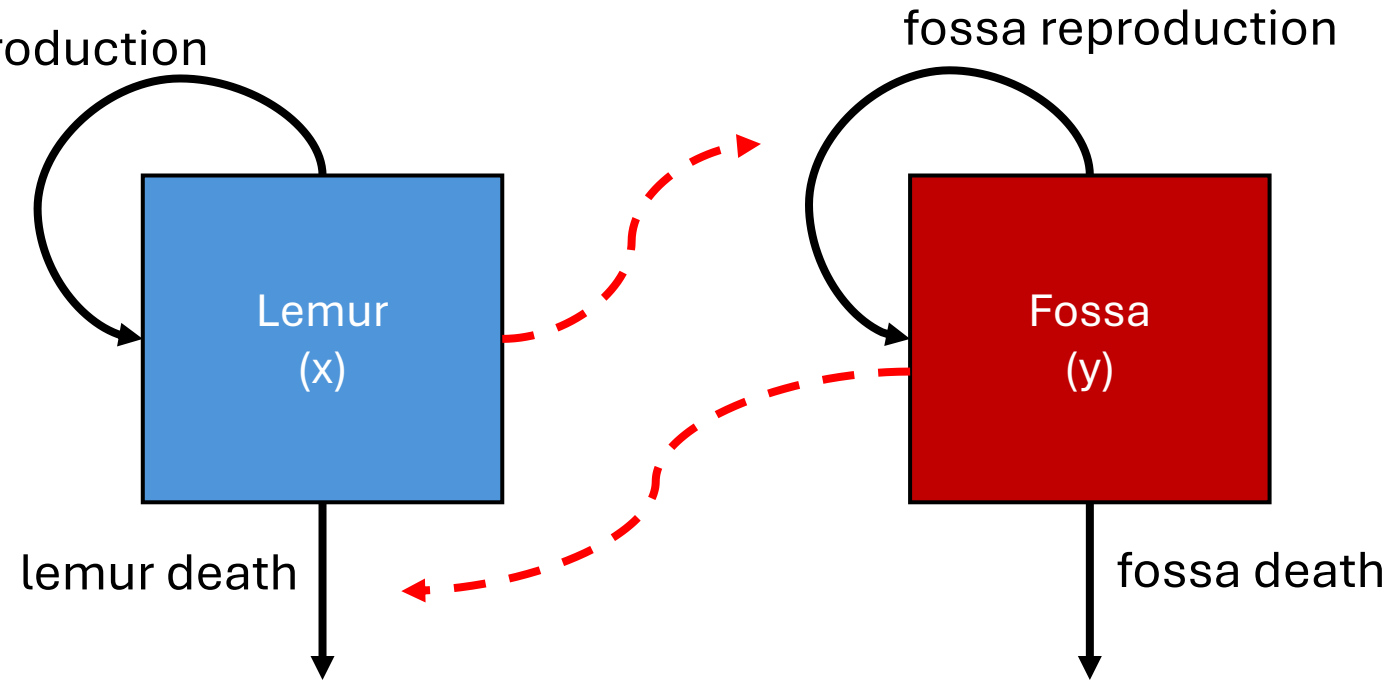
lemur death depends on fossa population



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lemur death rate

fossa rep. rate

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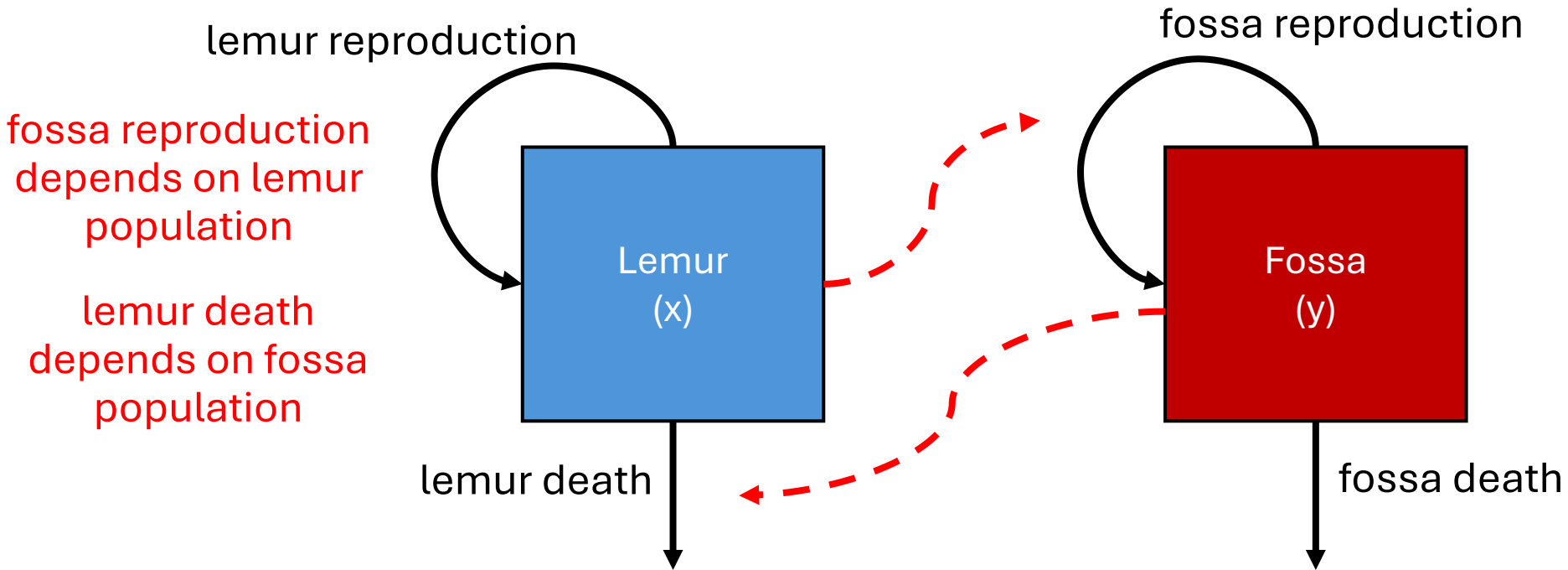

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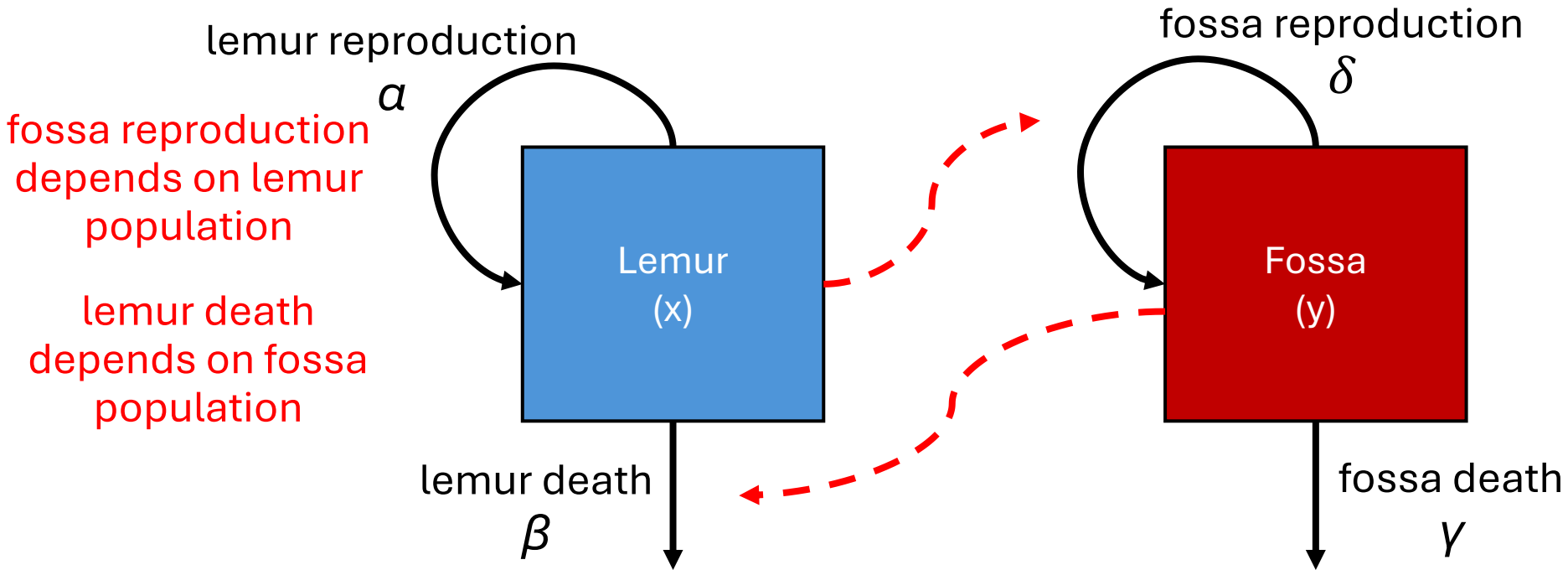
- $\delta$ fossa rep. rate
- $\gamma$ fossa death rate




$$\frac{dx}{dt} = x(\alpha - \beta y)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = y(\delta x - \gamma)$$

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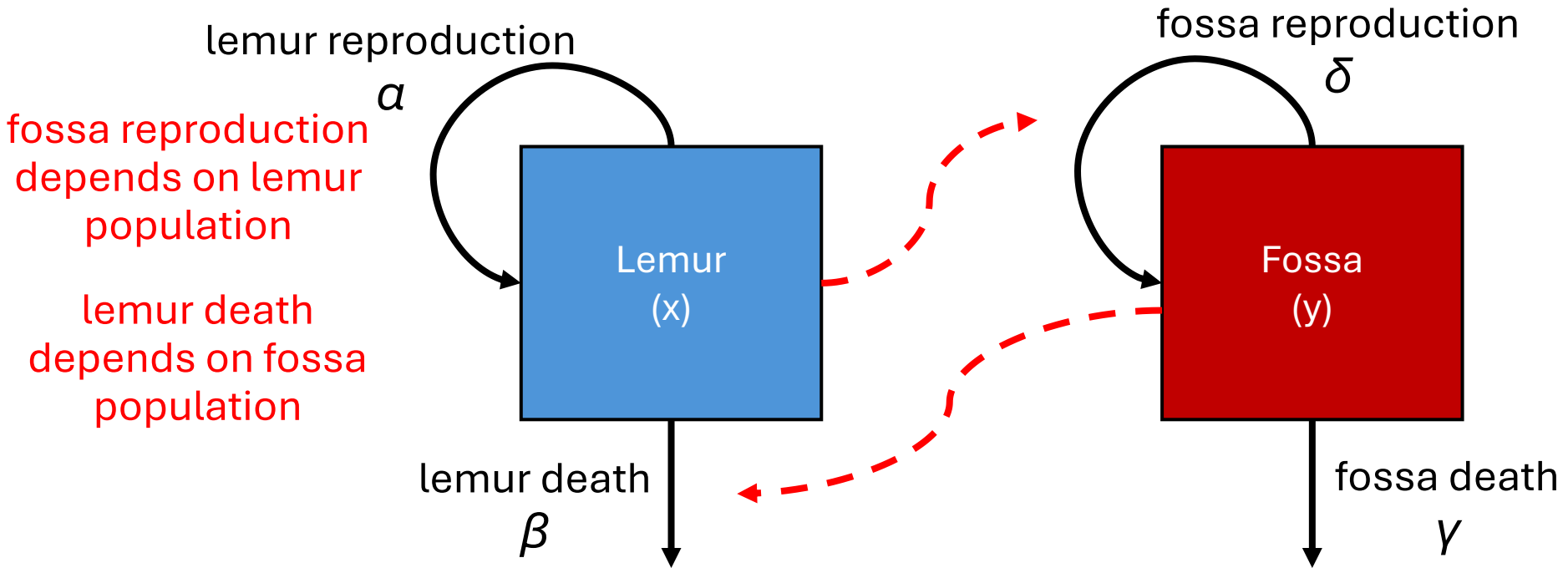
**Some Assumptions:**

- The lemur has unlimited food supply
- The lemur only dies from being eaten by a fossa
- The fossa is totally dependent on a single prey species as its only food supply

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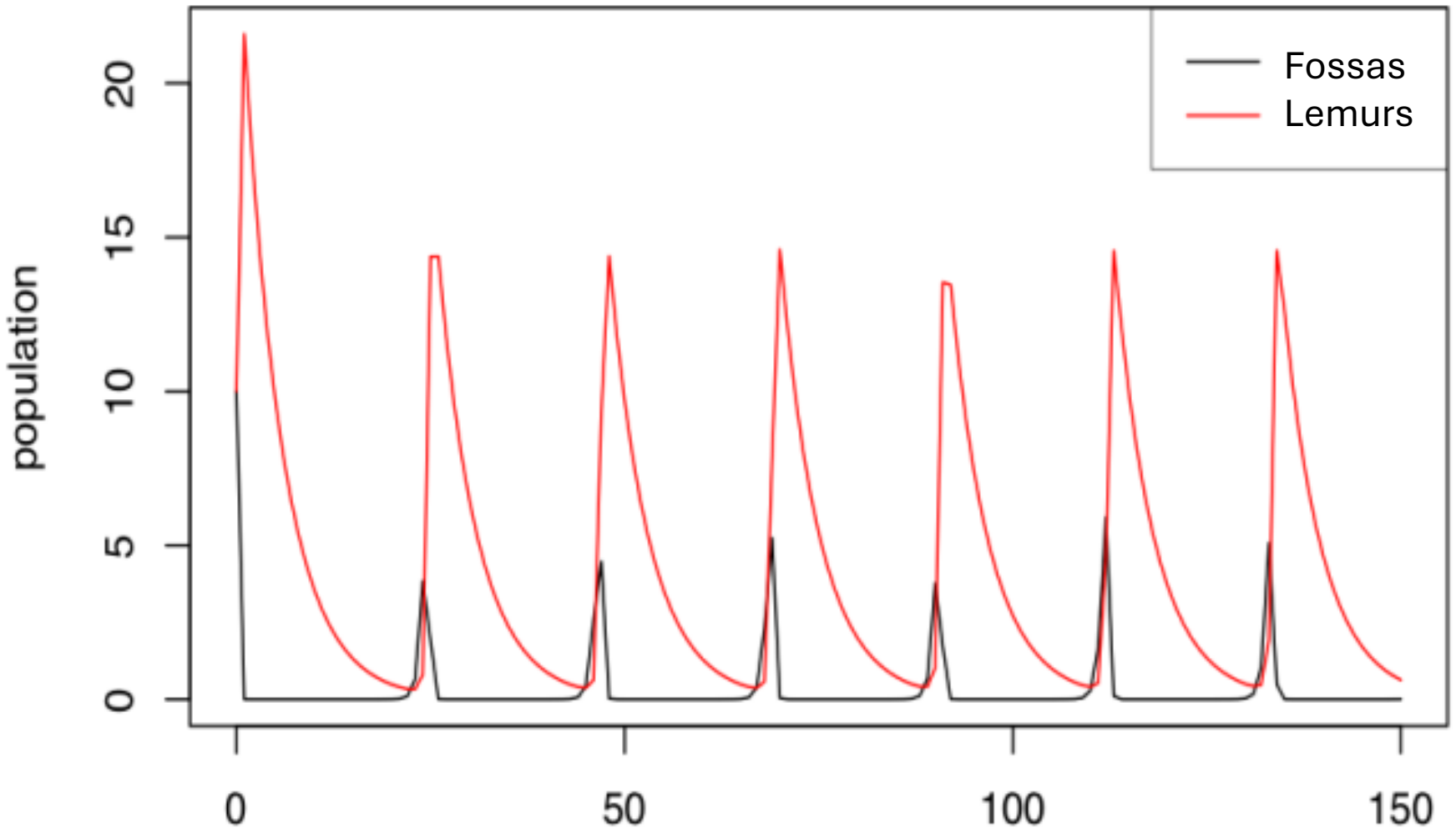

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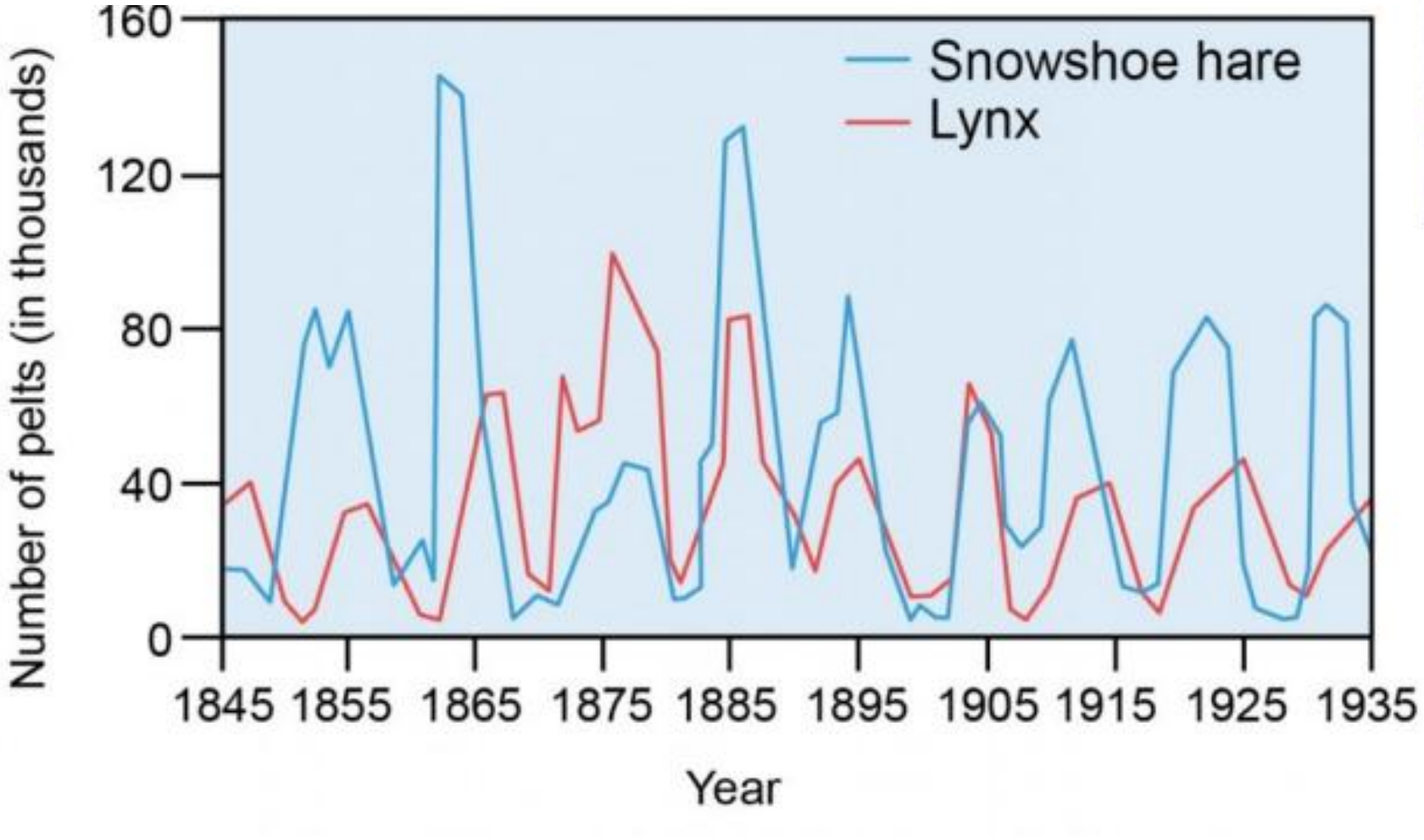

# Key concepts

- Compartmental / mechanistic / mathematical models
  Modèles à compartiments
- Continuous vs. discrete models
  Les modèles à temps discrets et les modèles à temps continu
- Deterministic vs. stochastic models
  Modèles détérministe vs. stochastique
- Structured models
  Modèles structurés
- Two population models
  Modèles des deux populations

# Checking In

What pattern can we see in simple predator-prey relationships?
Quel motif est visible dans les relations simples prédateur-proie ?

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Qu'est-ce qu'on peut modifier pour rendre ce modele plus complexe/réaliste ?

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- Cycles / oscillations

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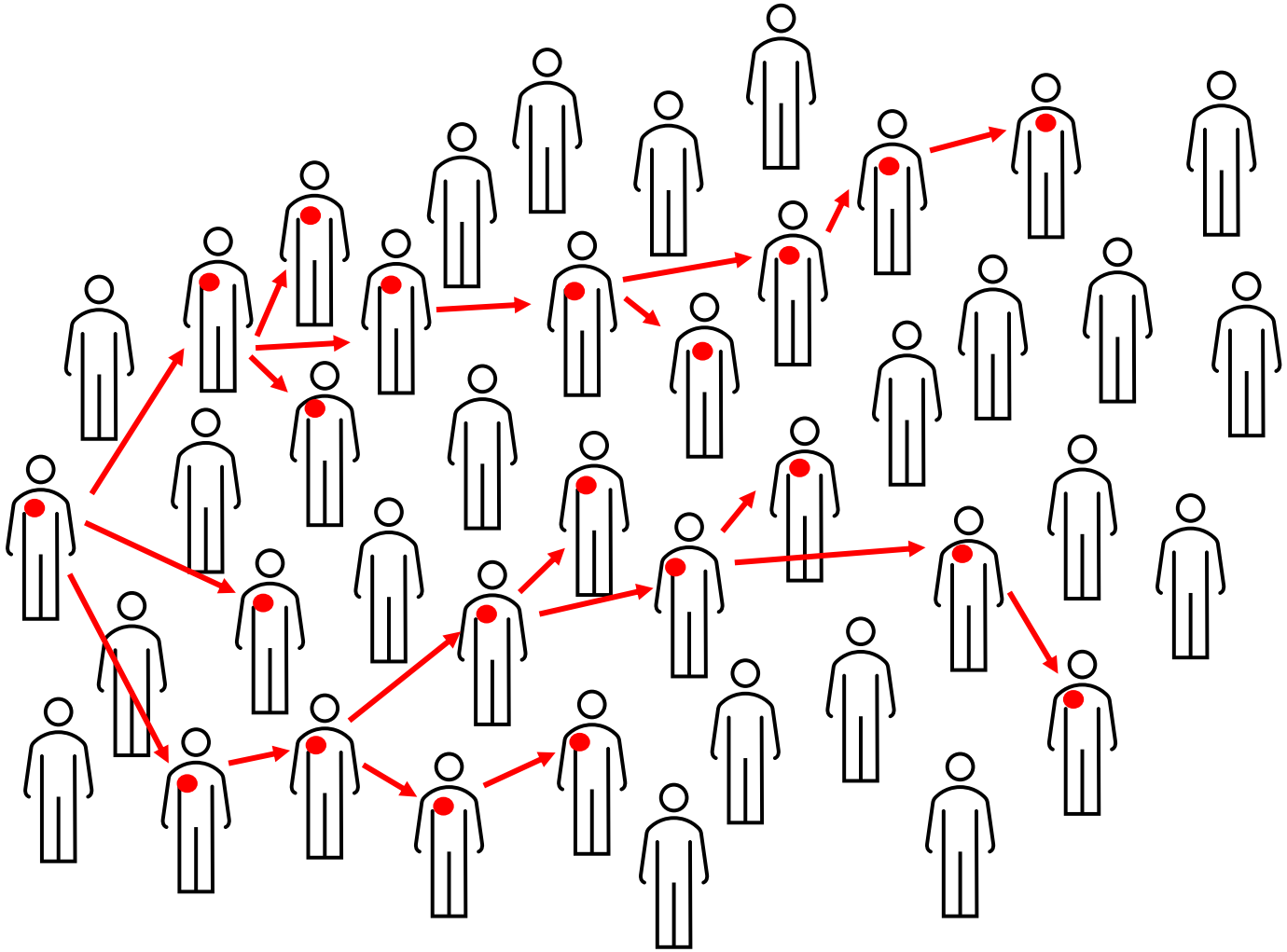
- Fossas can eat other things

# 4. SIR models

## Les modèles SIR



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How does measles transmit through Antananarivo?

Comment la rougéole se transmet-elle à Antananarivo?

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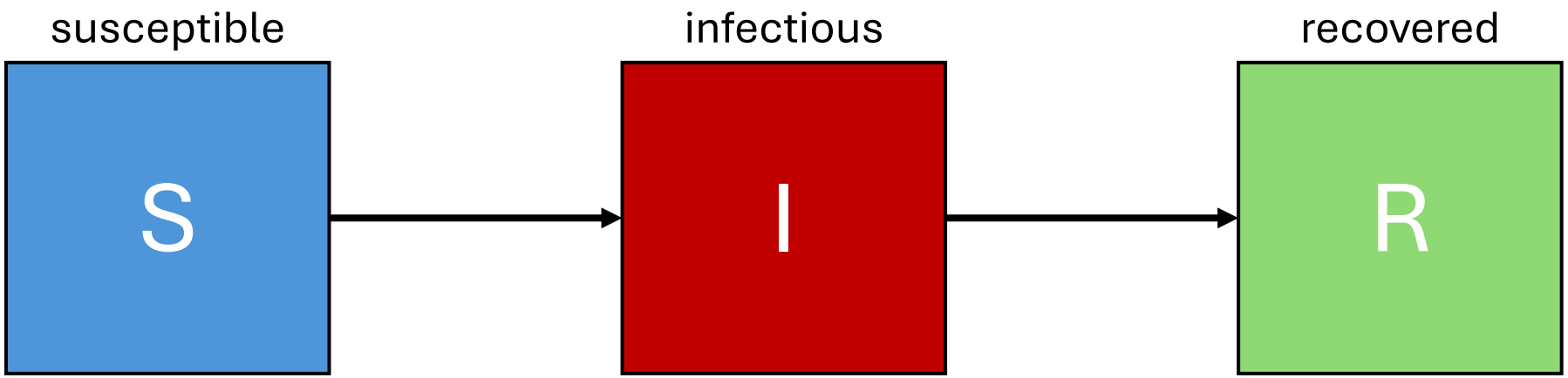

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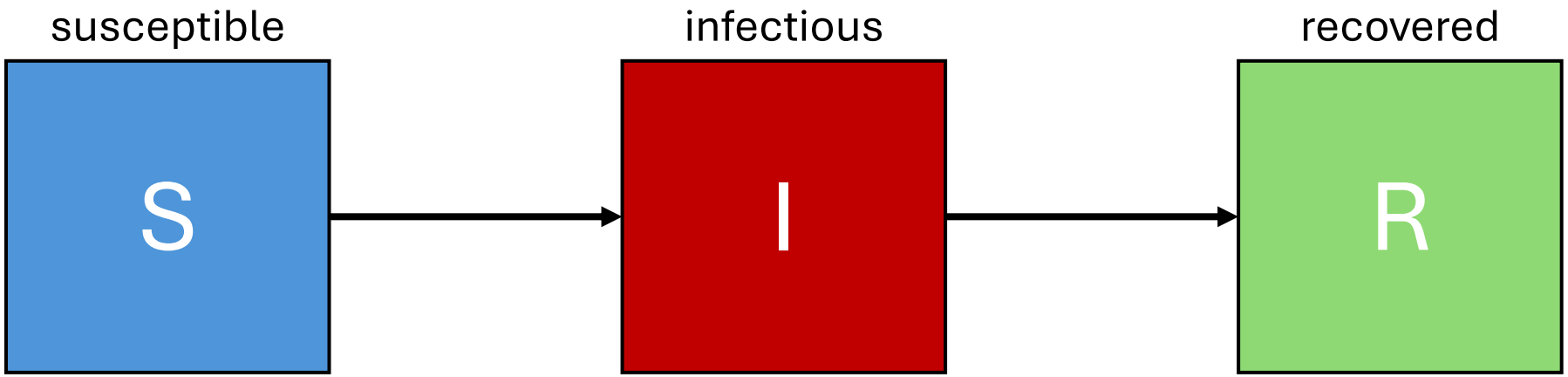


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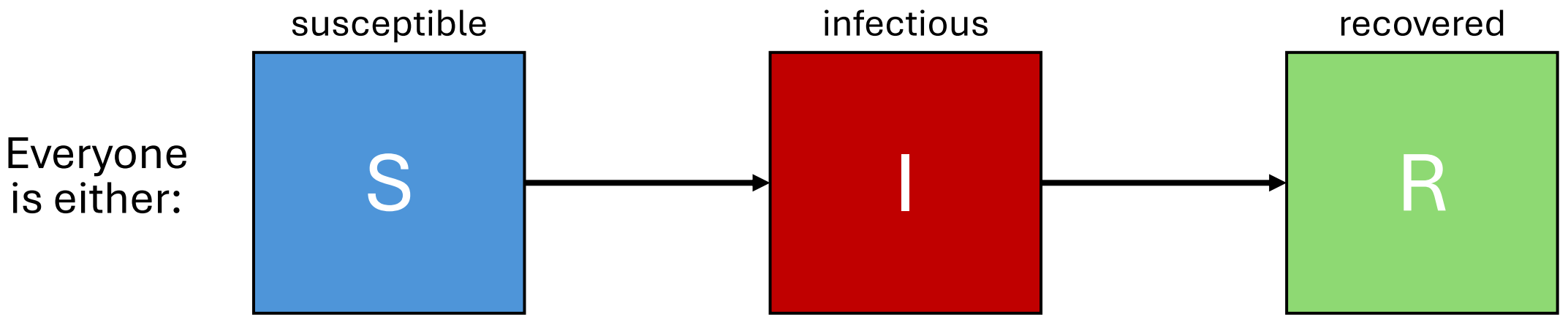

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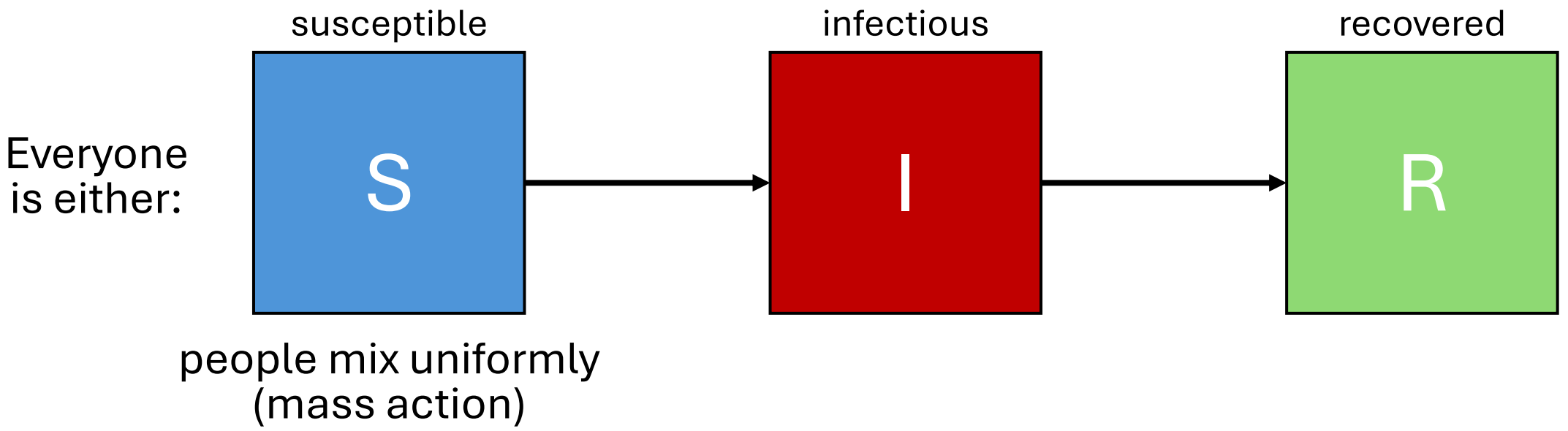

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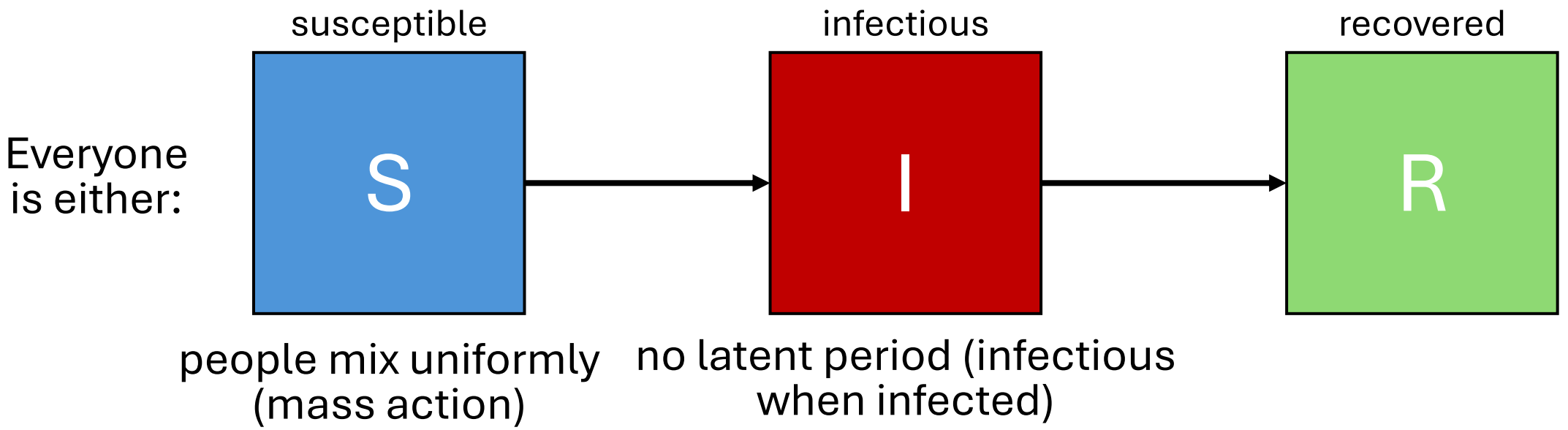

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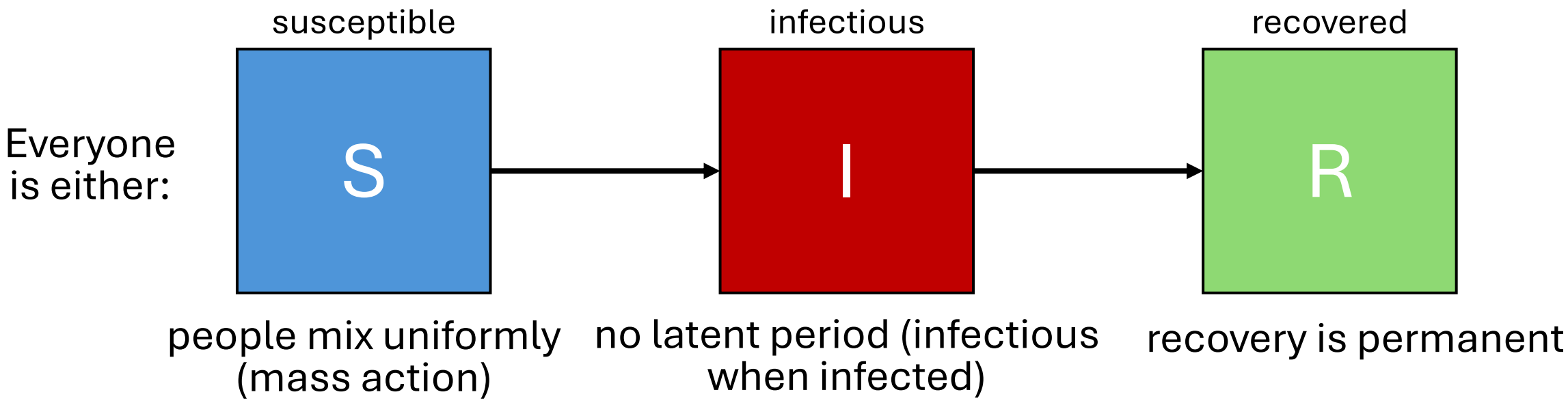

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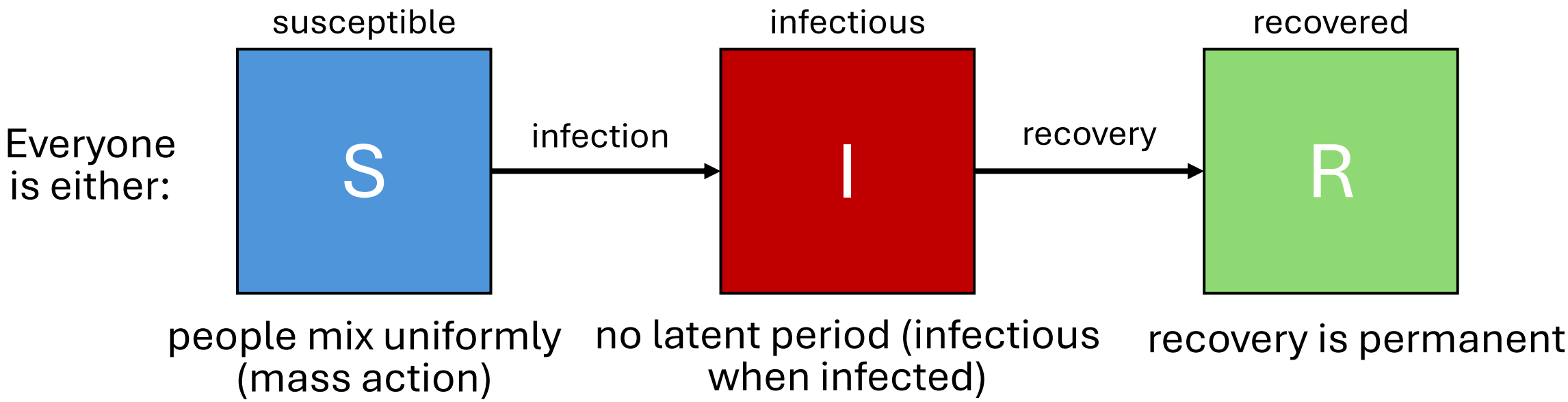

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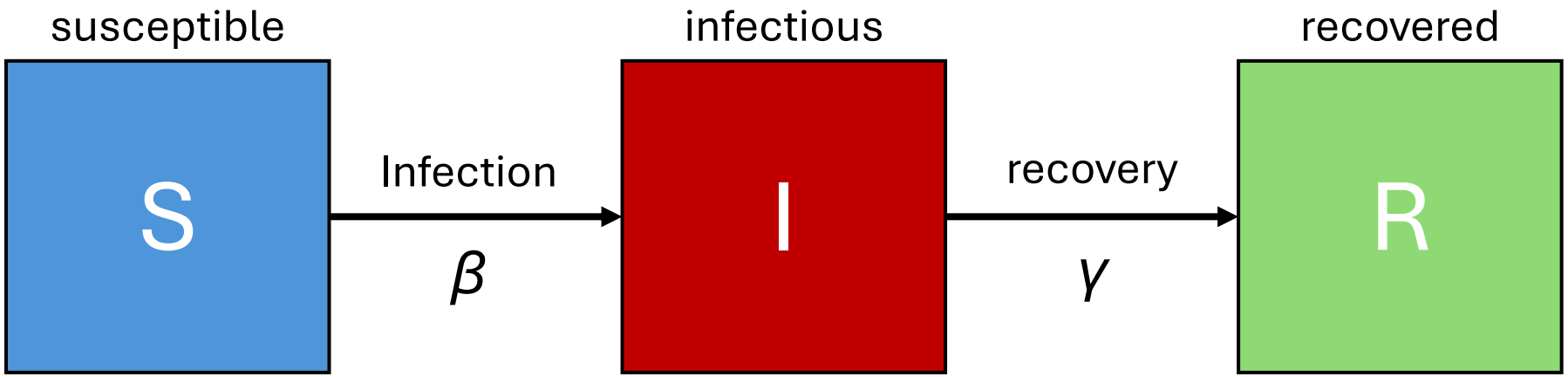


β = transmission rate

taux de transmission

γ = recovery rate

taux de guérison

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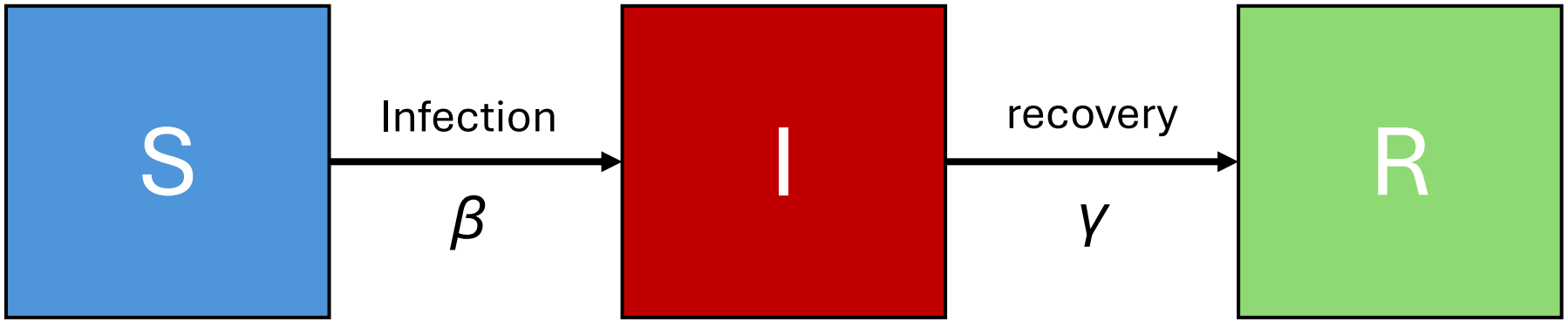


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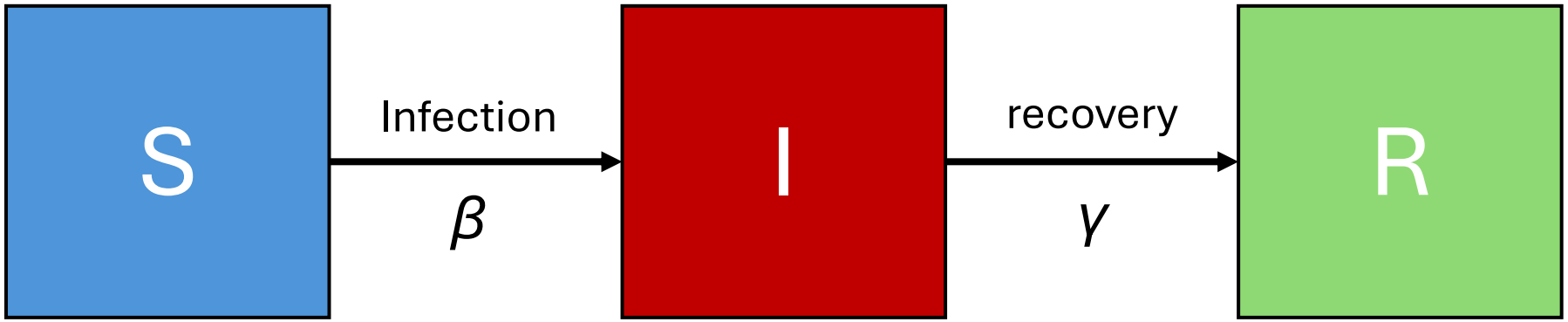


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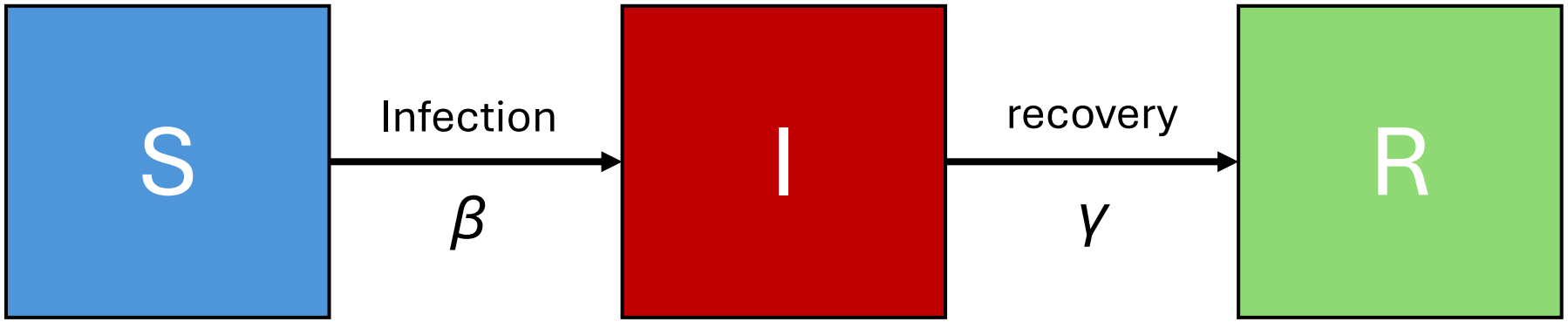


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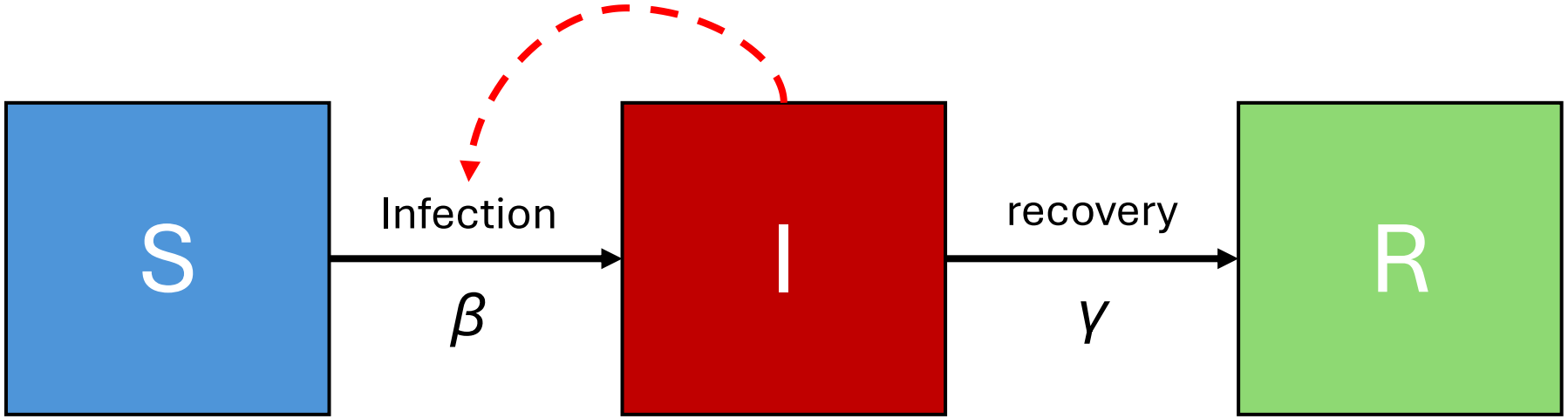


infected numbers influence the transmission rate

le nombre d'infectés influence le taux de transmission

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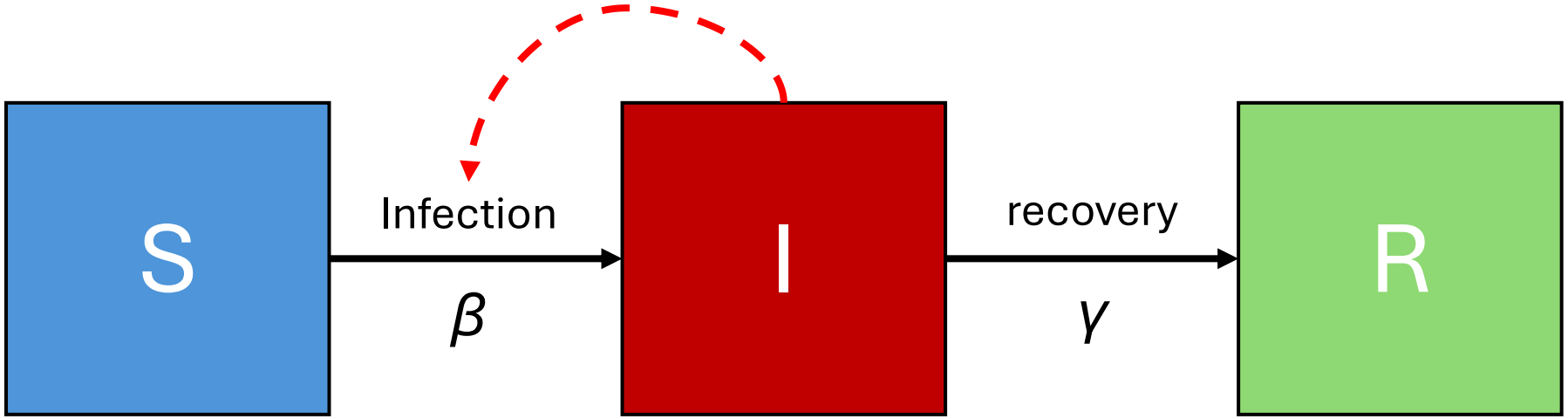


All people are accounted for as they move through compartments.

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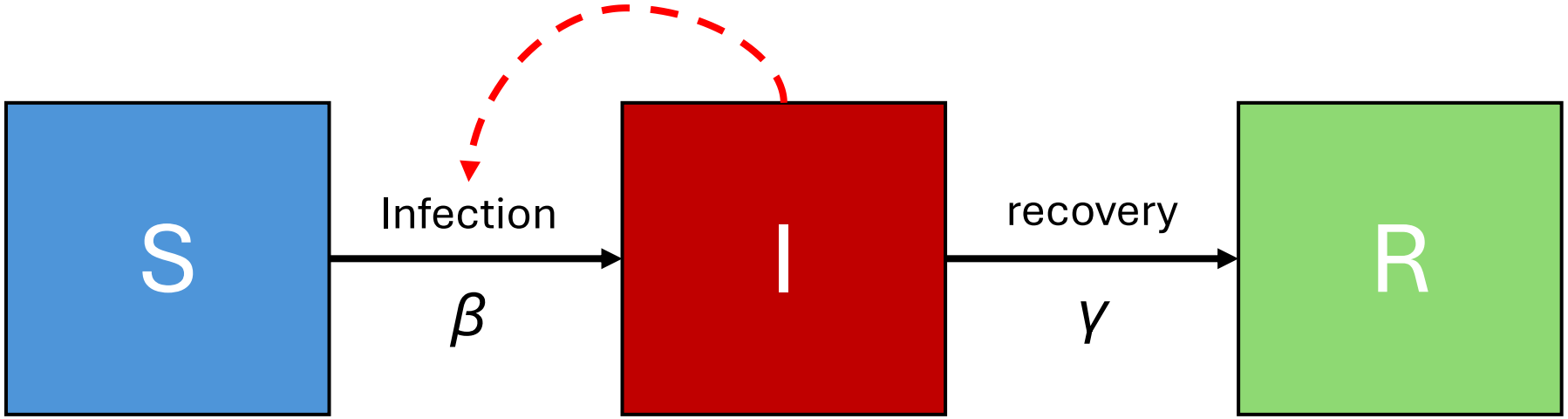


**What will the dynamics look like?**

**À quoi ressemblera la dynamique?**

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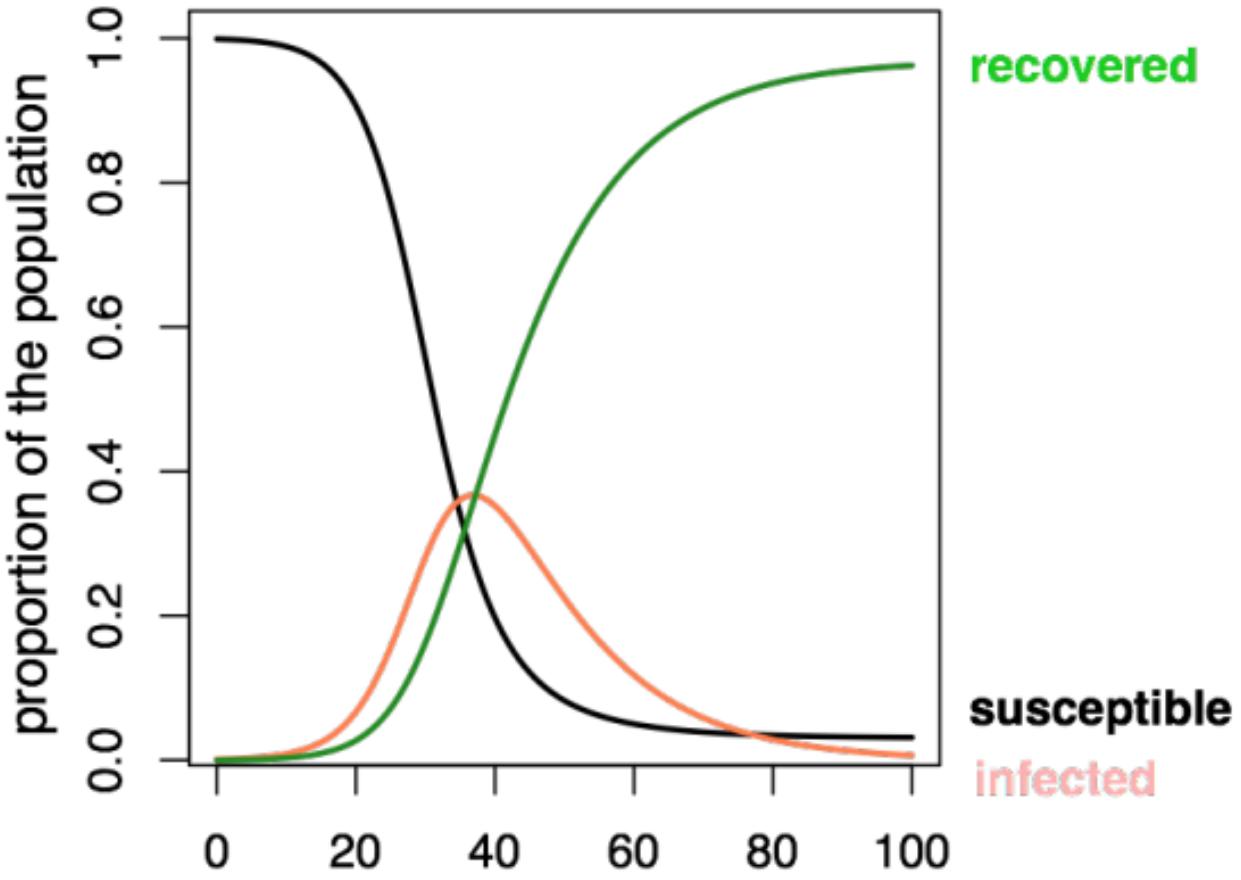

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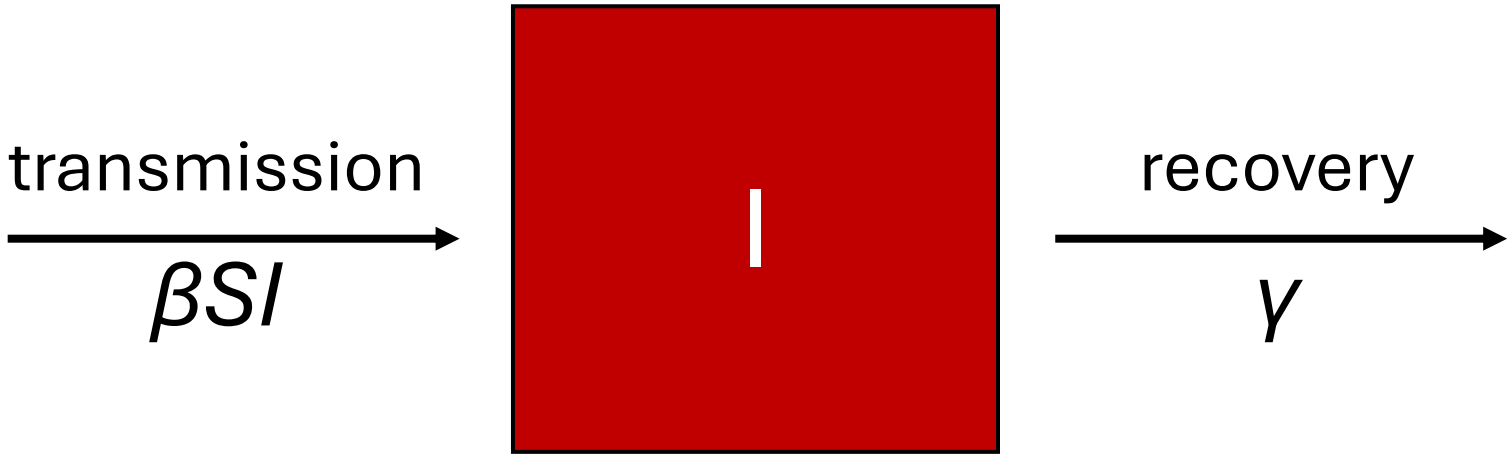


How do we describe how an infection moves through a population?

Comment décrire le moyen dont une infection se transmet dans une population ?

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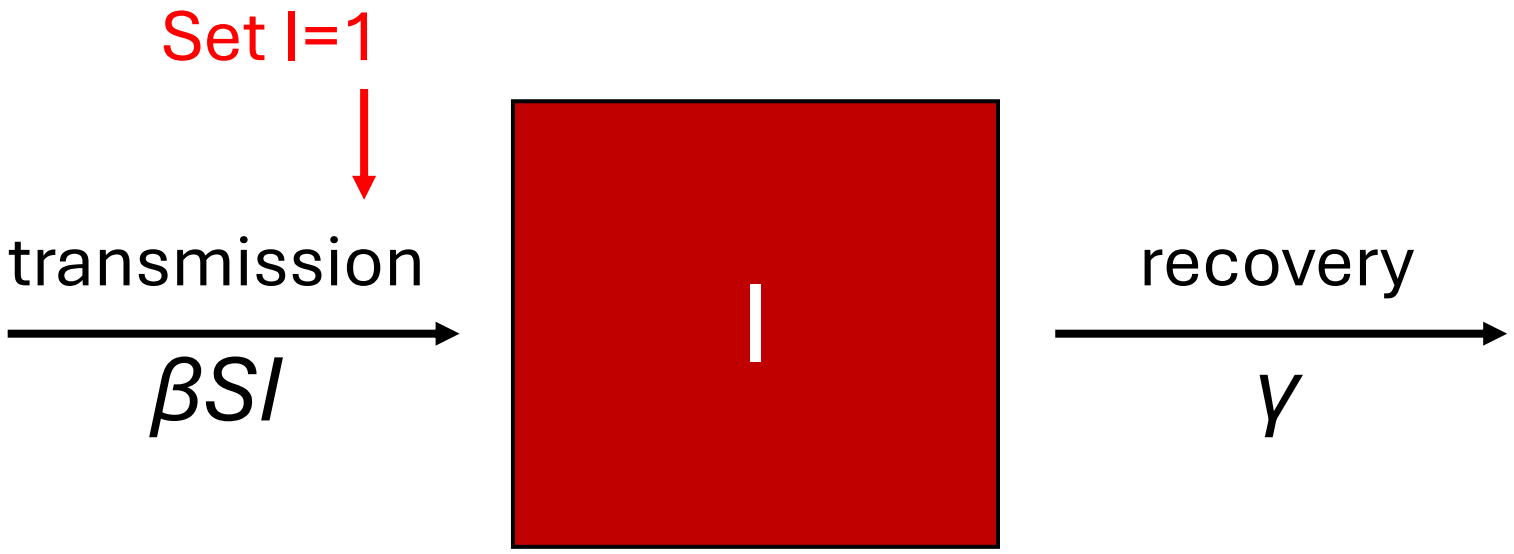



$$R_0 = \beta N/\gamma$$

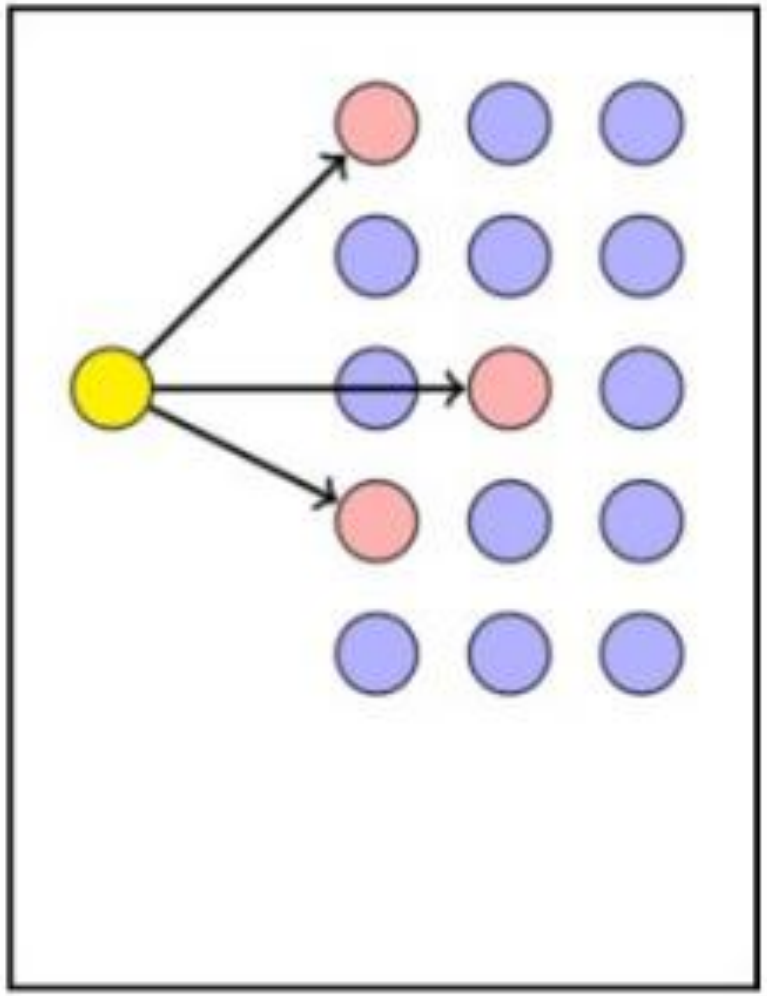
The average number of persons infected by an infectious individual when everyone is susceptible (*S*=100%, or *S*=1, start of an epidemic)

Le nombre moyen de personnes infectés par un individu infectueux quand tout le monde est sensible (S=100%, au début d'une épidémie)

# The SIR model

What is the value of $R_0$?

Quelle est la valeur de $R_0$?



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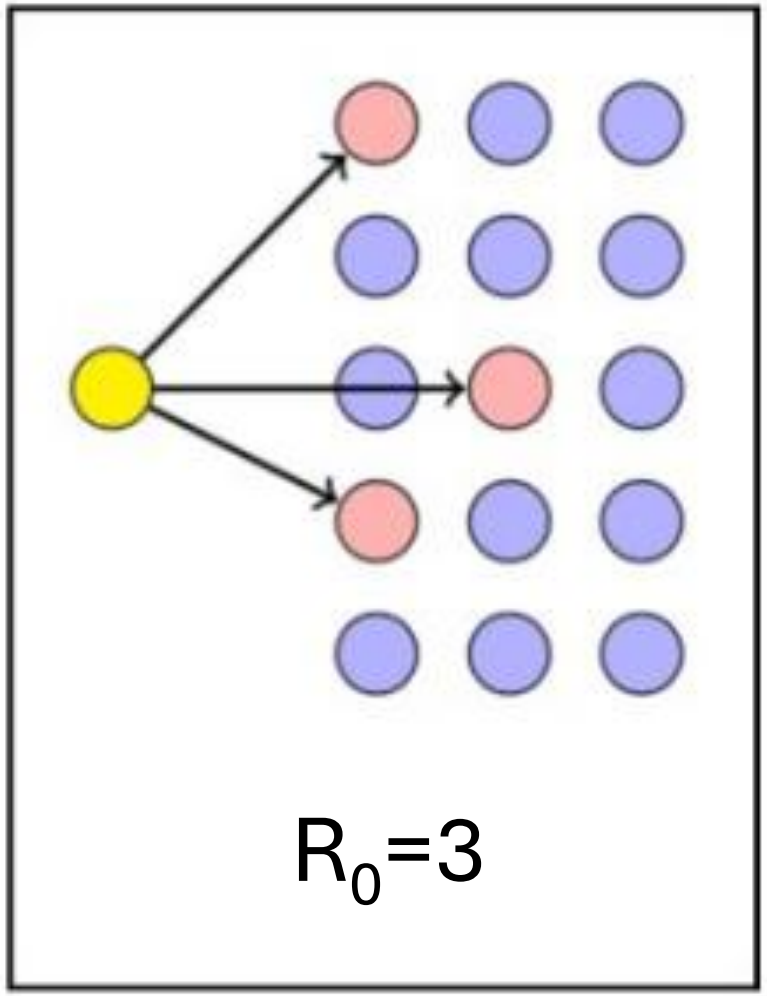

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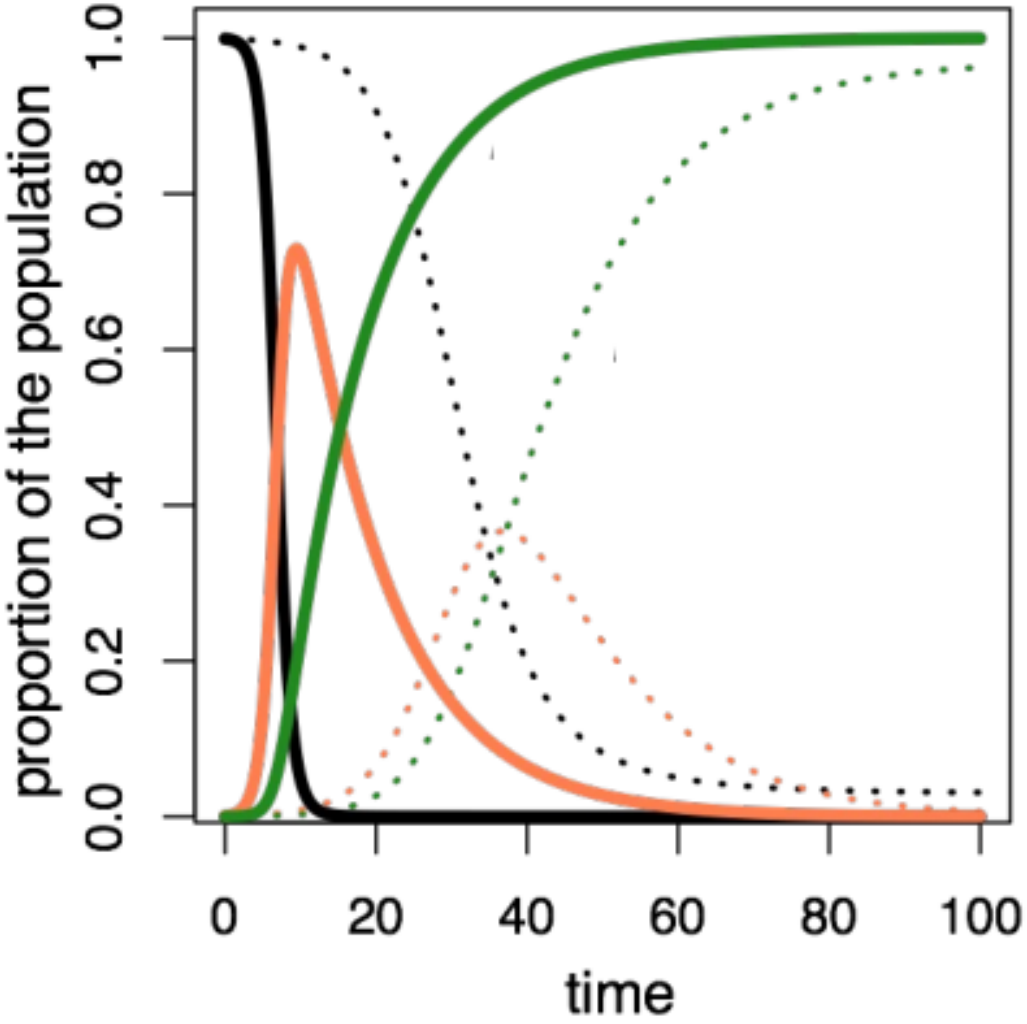


Which has the higher $R_0$, the dotted line or the solid line?

*Qui a le $R_0$ le plus élevé, ligne pointillé ou ligne continue?*

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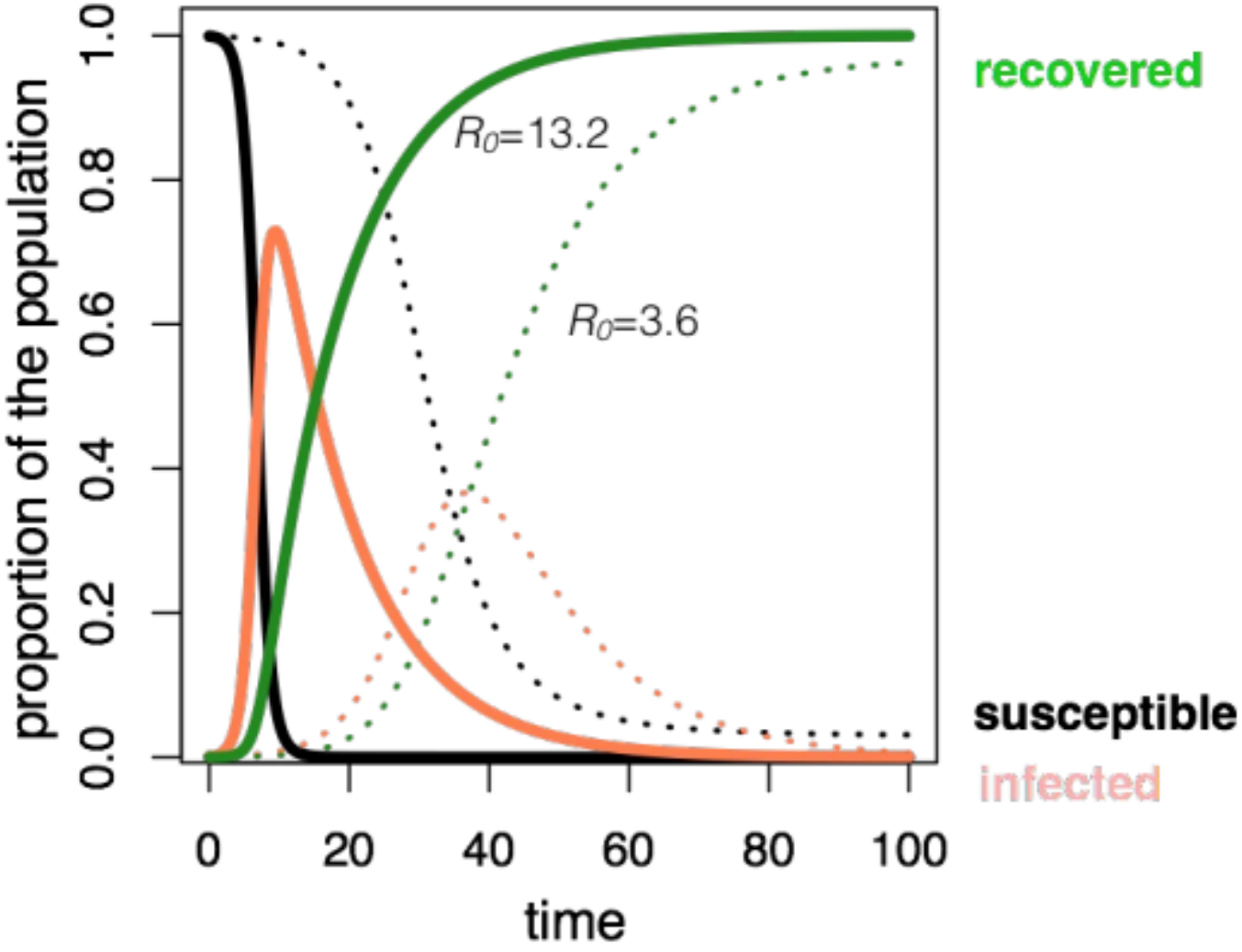


# Checking In

What is $R_0$?
C'est quoi, $R_0$?

How could you modify this simple SIR model to represent COVID-19?
Comment pourriez-vous modifier ce modèle SIR simple pour représenter COVID-19?

# Checking In

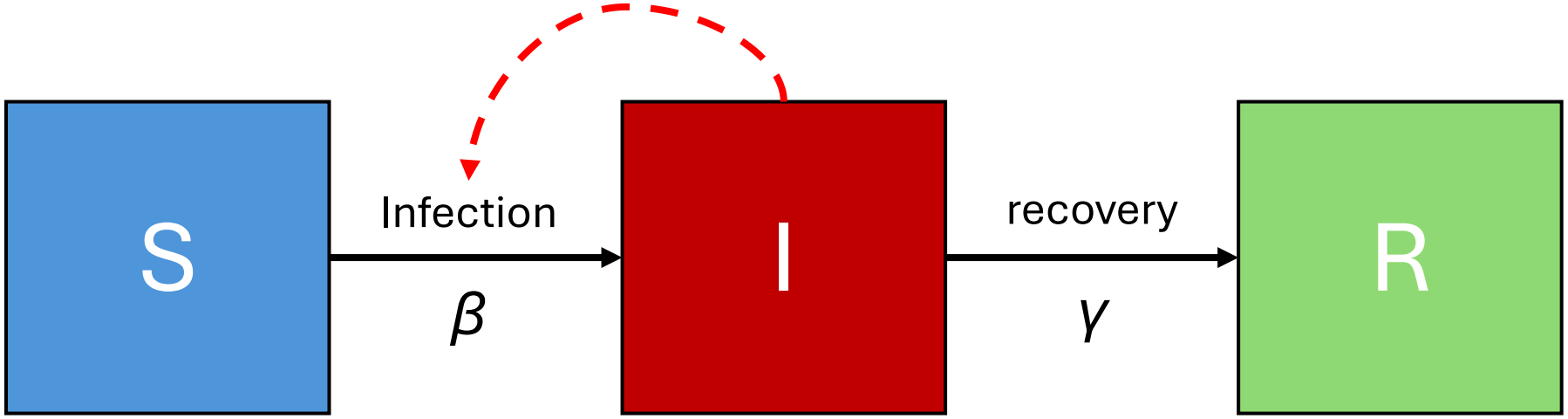
What is $R_0$?

- The average number of secondary infections from the first infections individual

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

- Re-infection, incubation period, social distancing, vaccination

# The SIR model : vaccination

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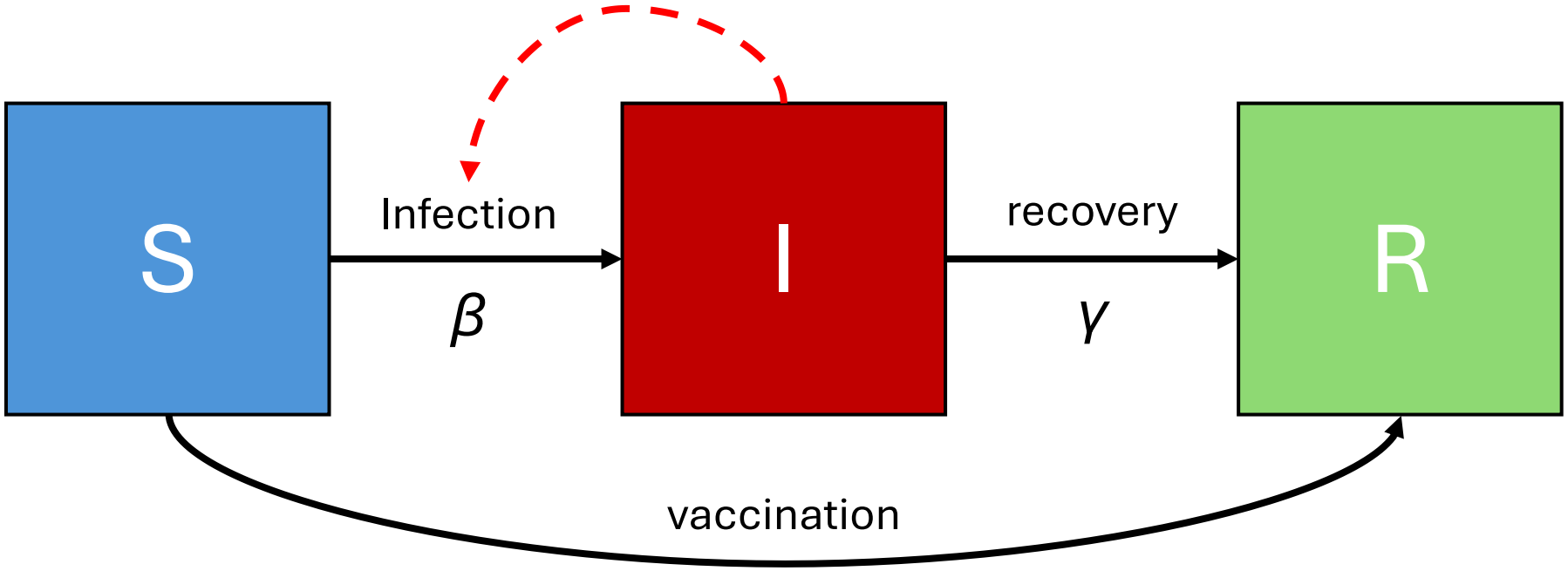


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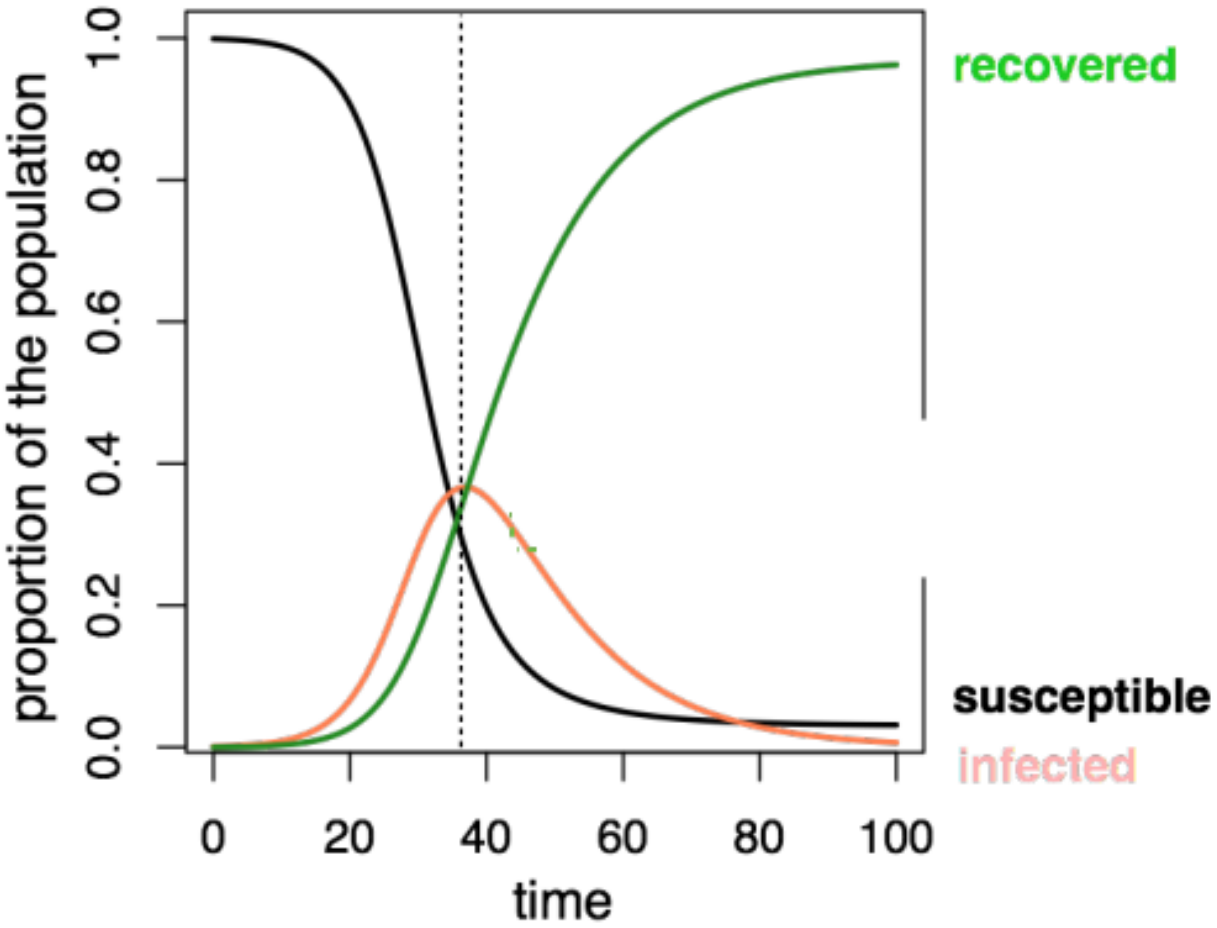

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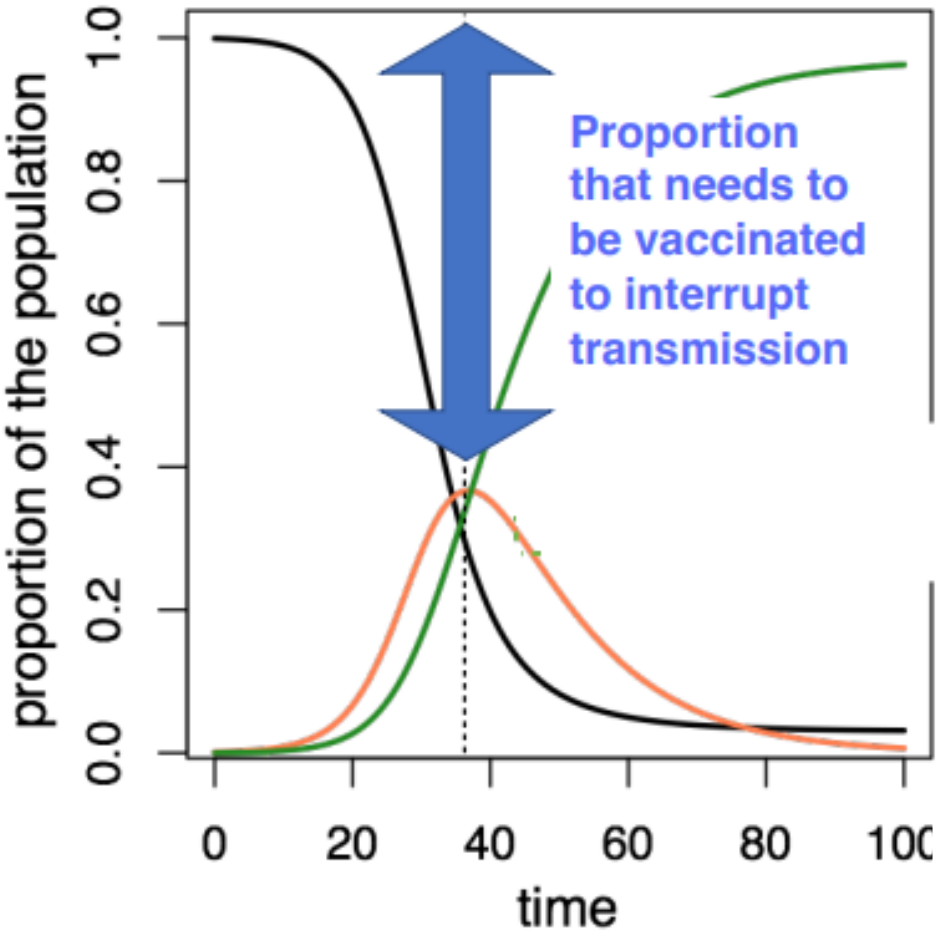


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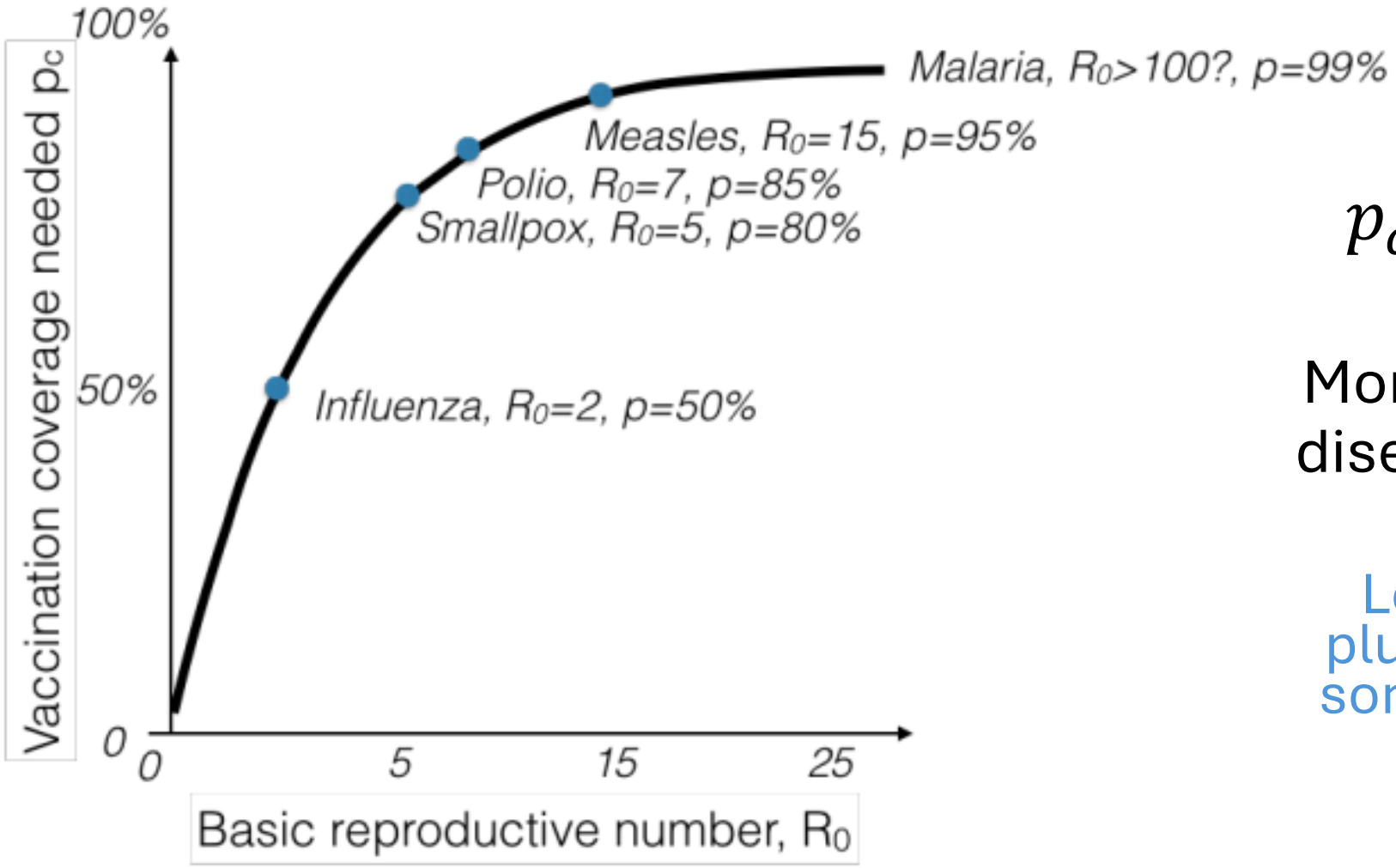


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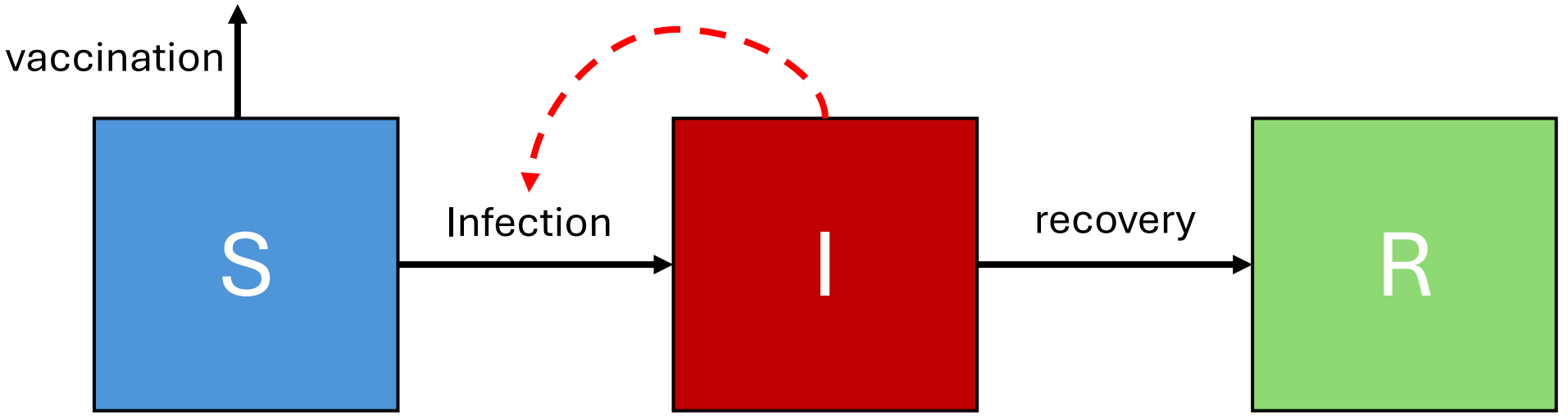
More transmissible diseases are harder to eradicate

Les maladies les plus transmissibles sont plus difficiles à éradiquer

# The SIR model : extensions




What do we change if we incorporate births and deaths?

Que change-t-on si on inclut des naissances et des décès?

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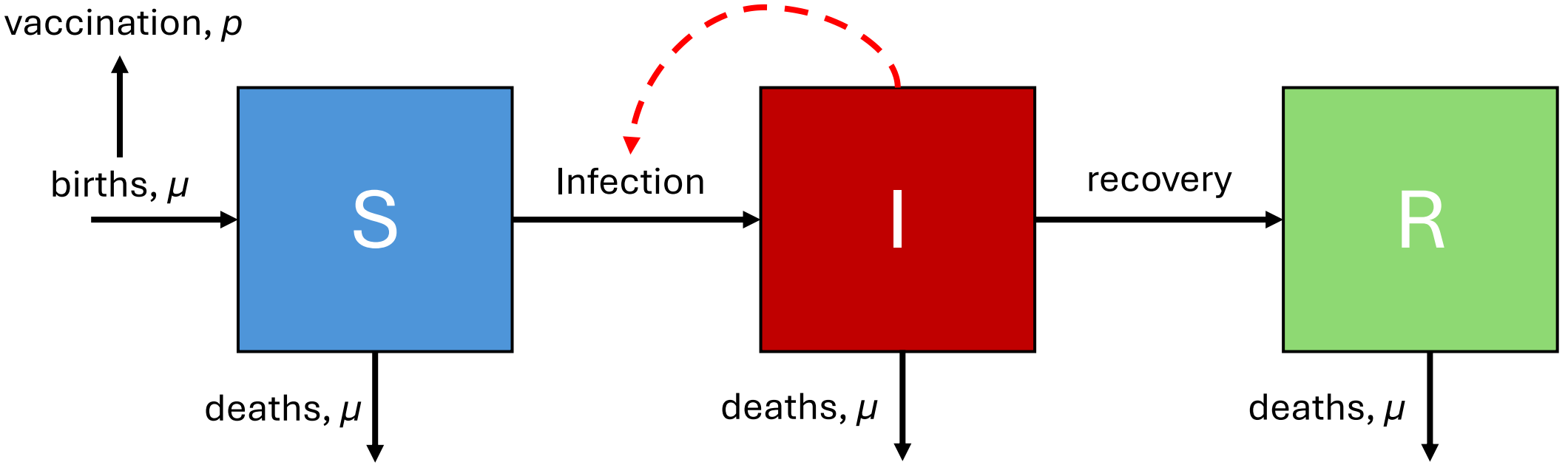

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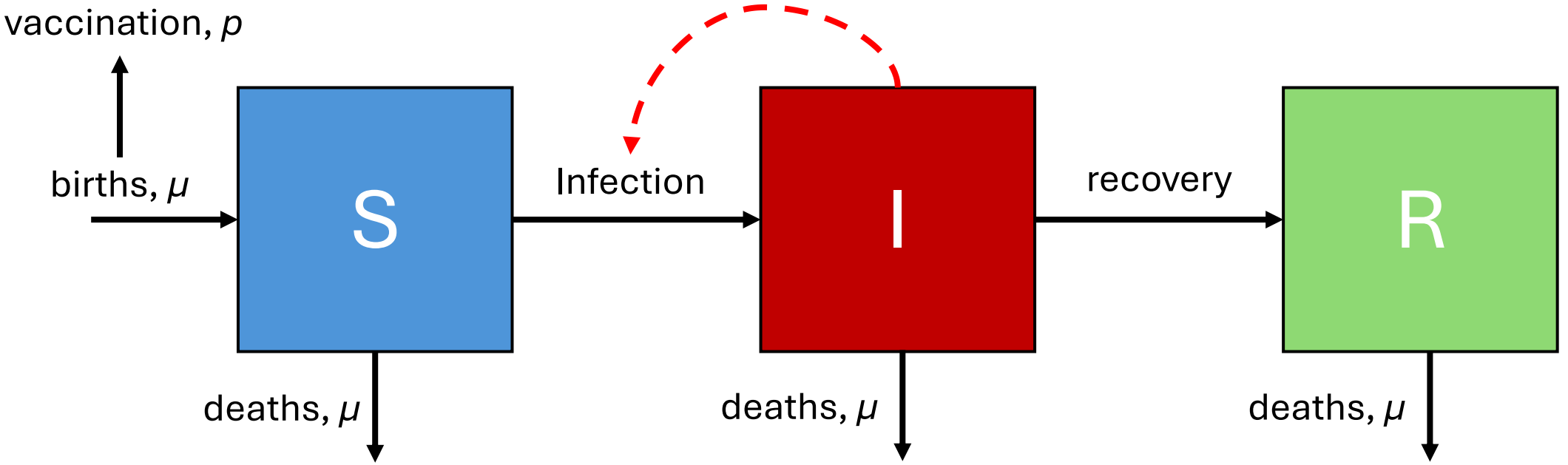


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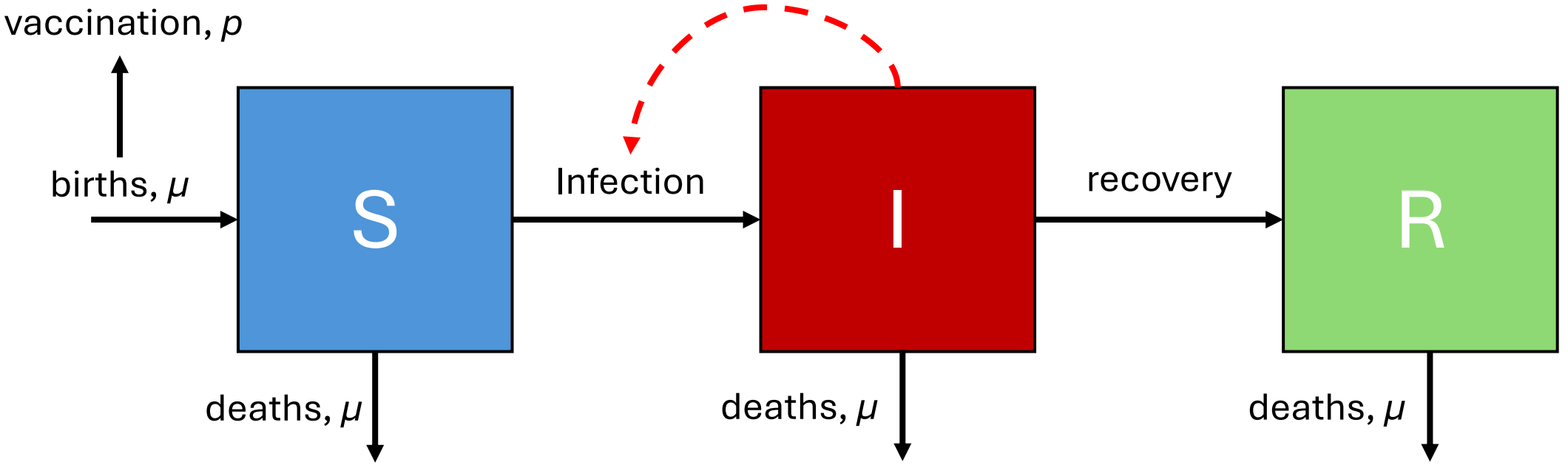


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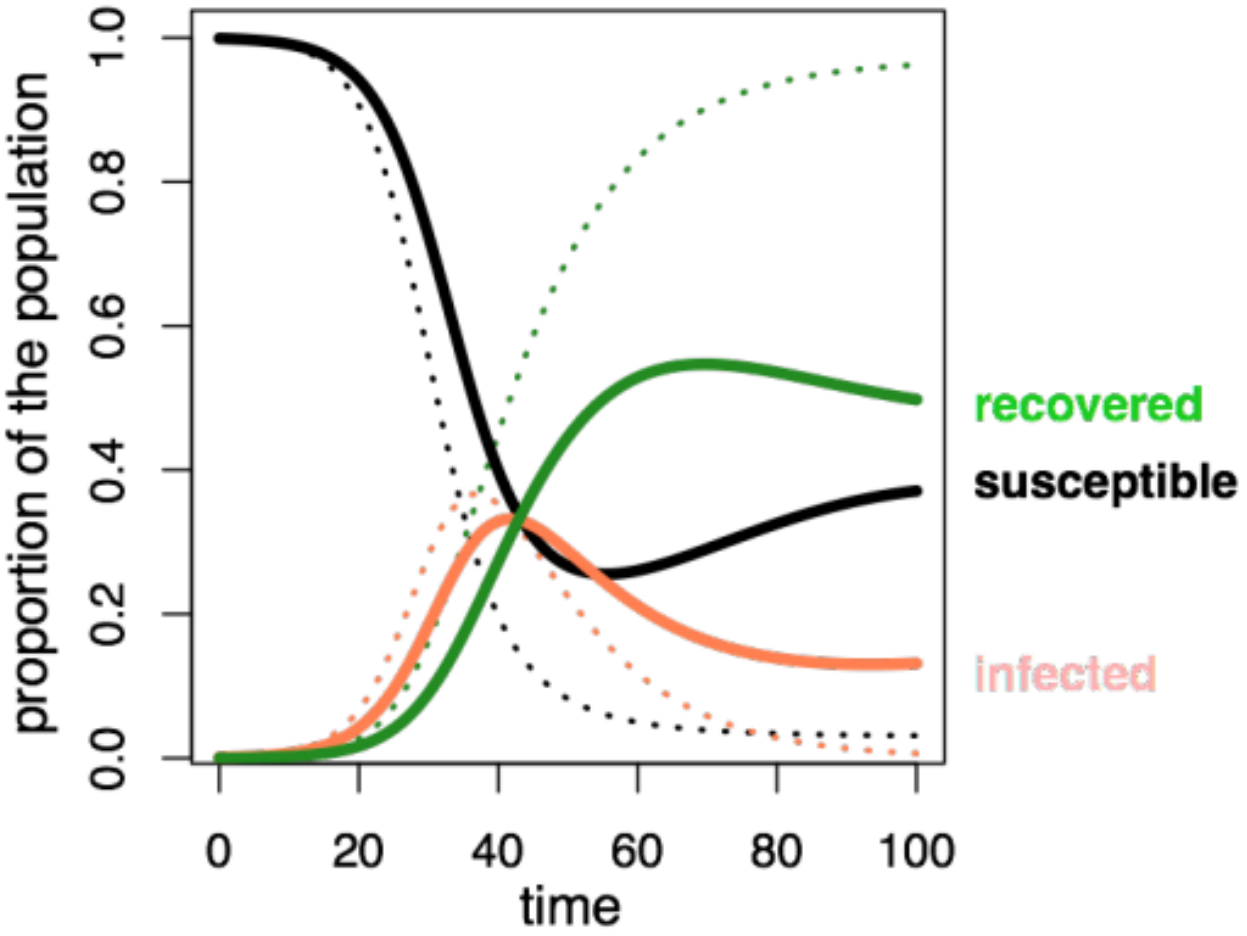


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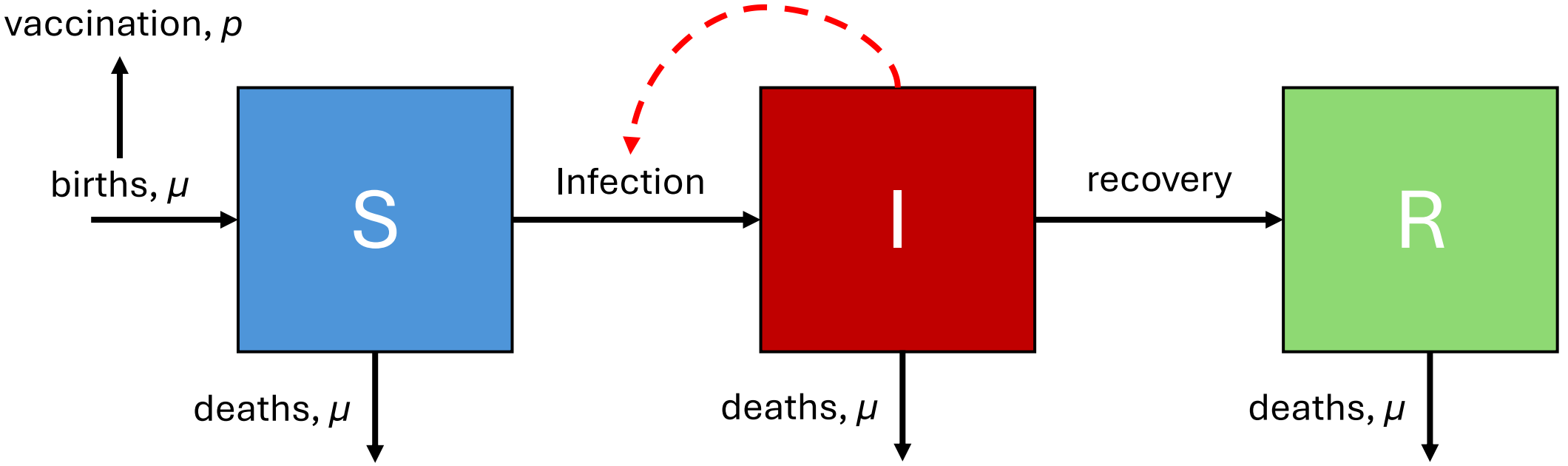


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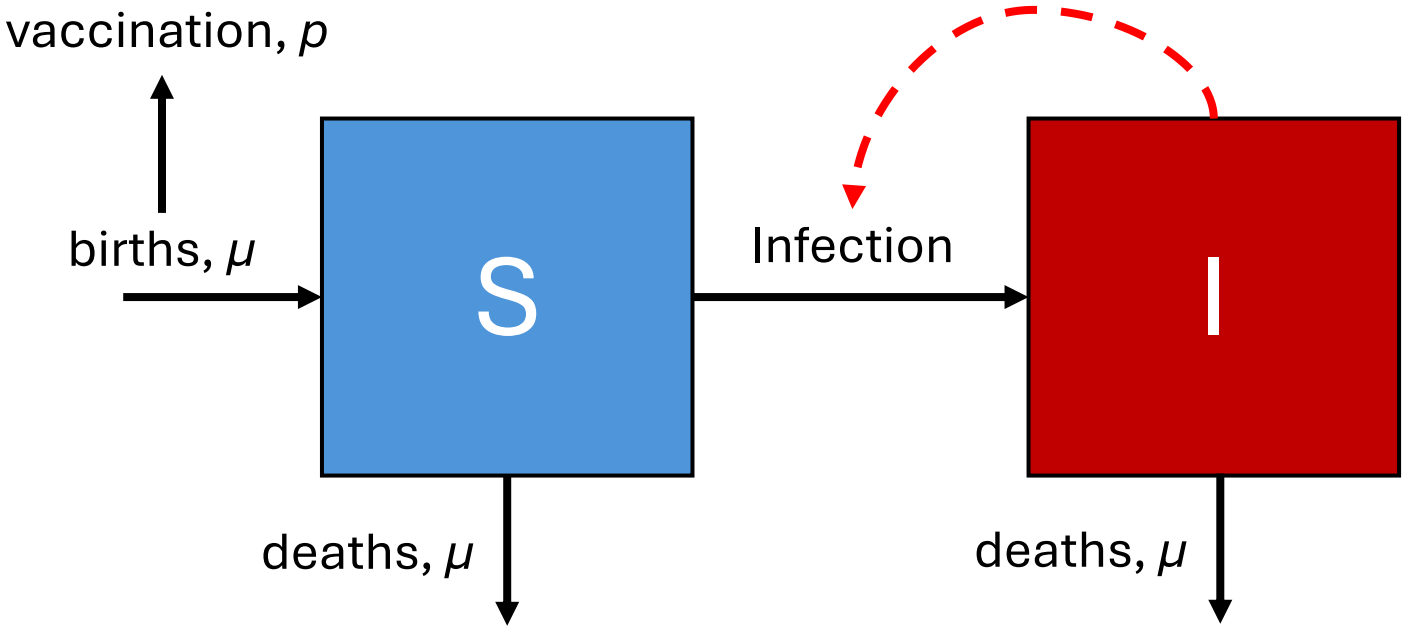


What do we change if infection is always fatal? No recovered class

Que change-t-on si l'infection est toujours mortelle? Pas d'une classe récuperée

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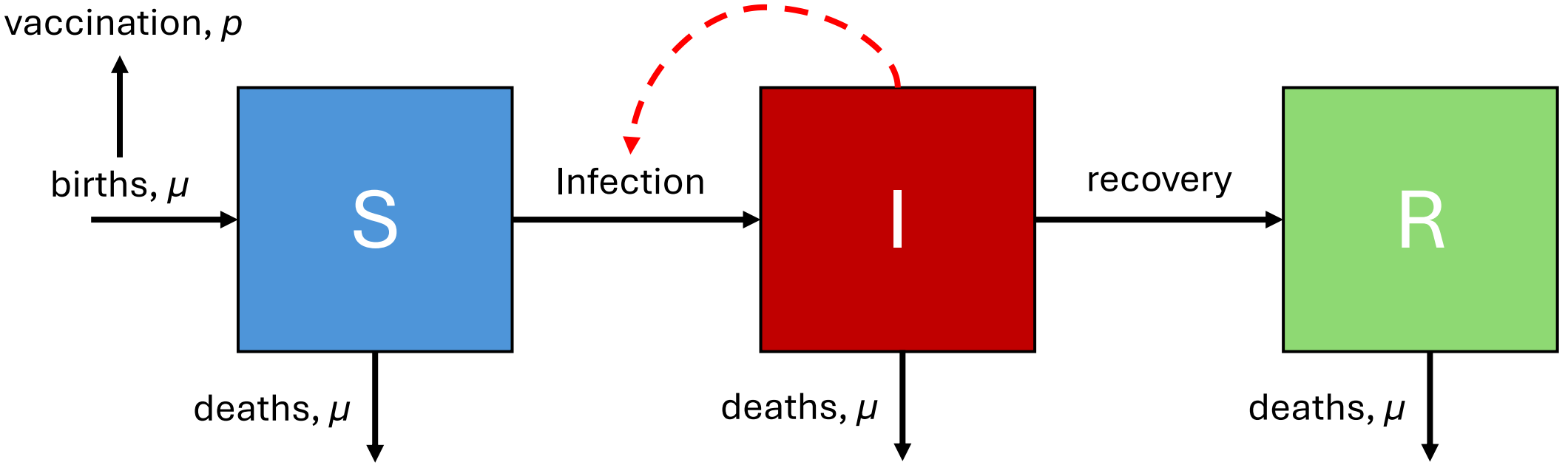


What do we change if immunity wanes?

Que change-t-on si l'immunité diminue?

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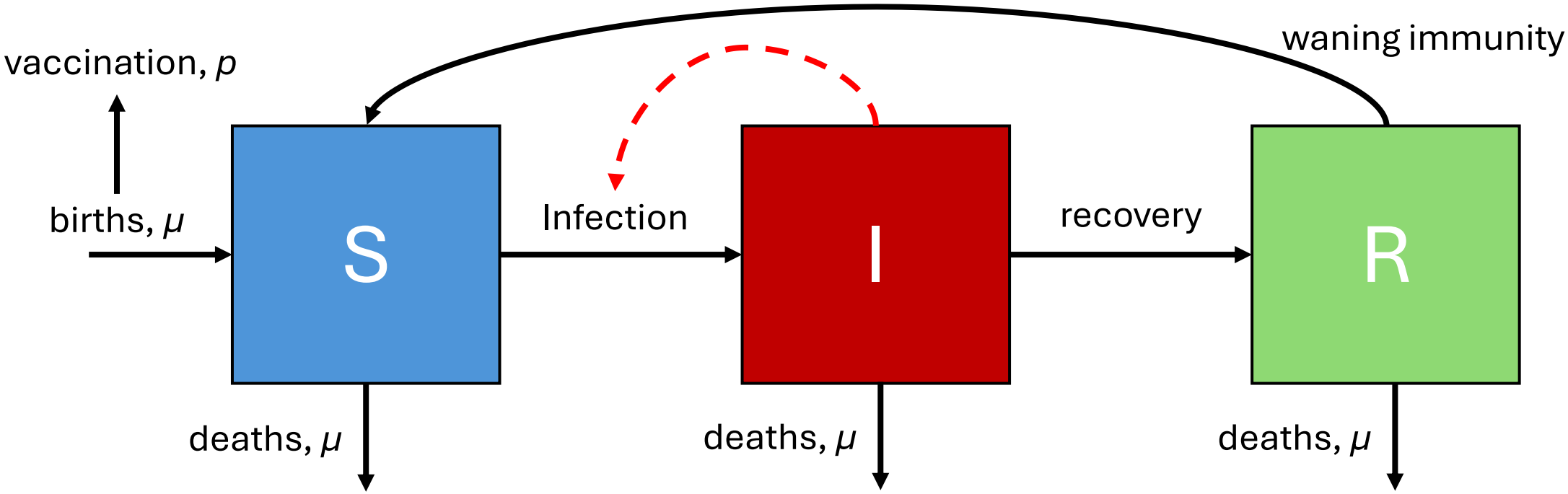


What do we change if immunity wanes? Recovered individuals become susceptible

Que change-t-on si l'immunité diminue? Les individus récupérés deviennent sensibles

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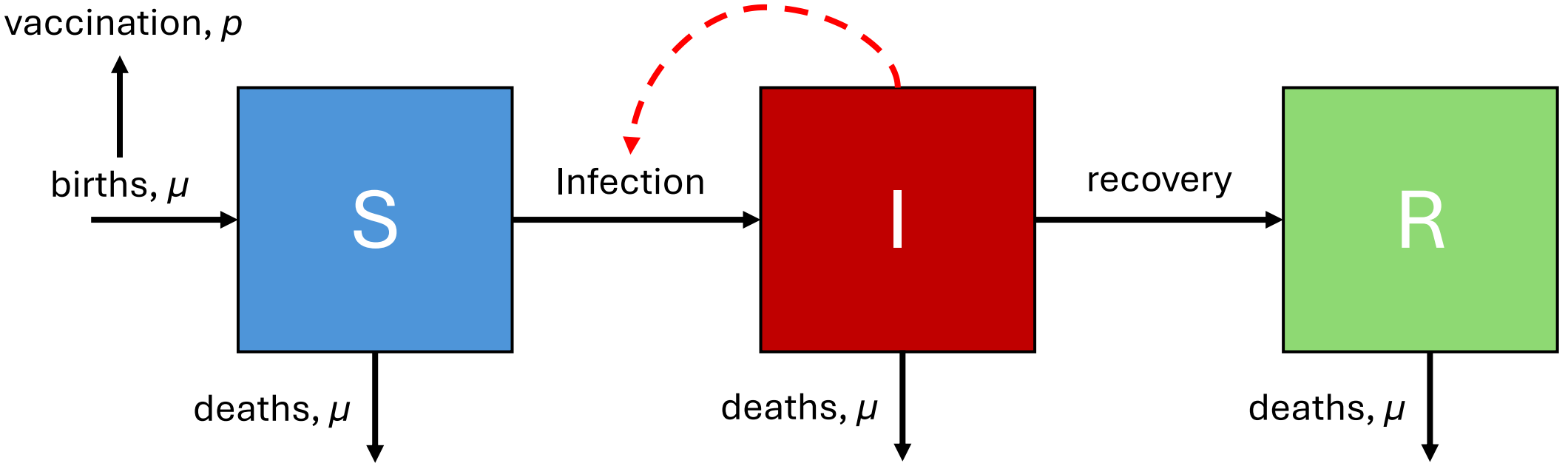


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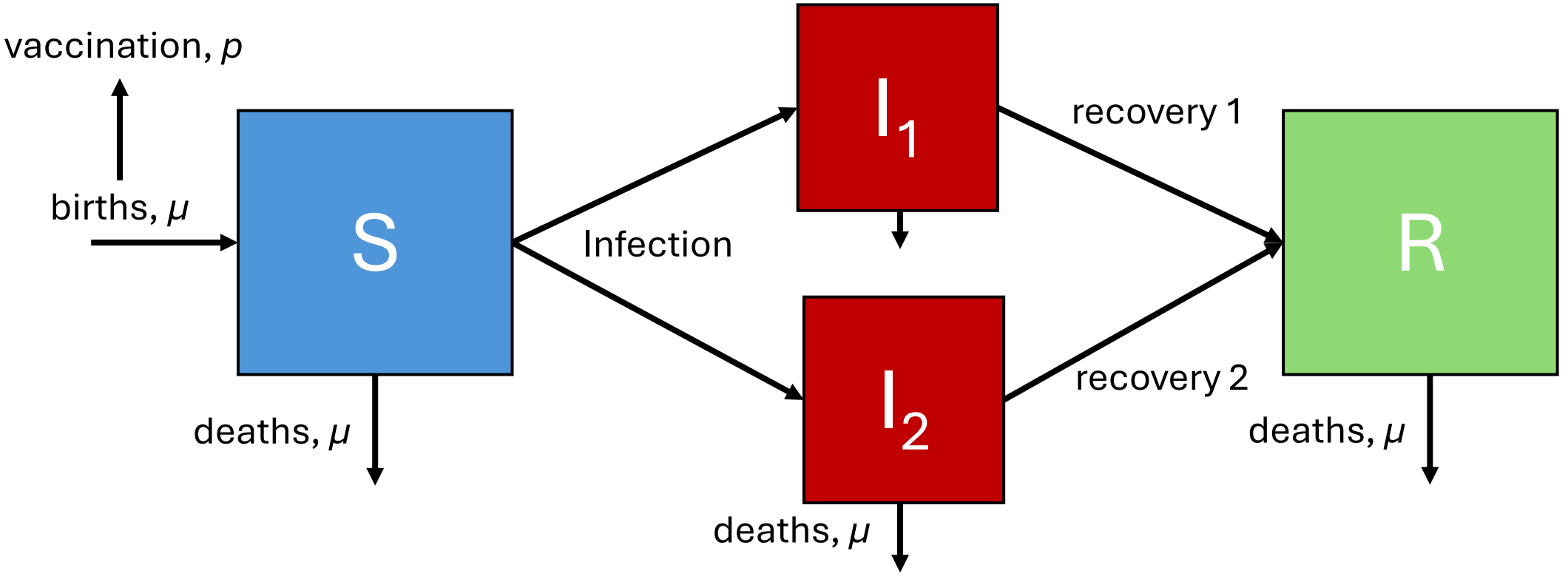


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# Key concepts

- Compartmental / mechanistic / mathematical models
  Modèles à compartiments
- Continuous vs. discrete models
  Les modèles à temps discrets et les modèles à temps continu
- Deterministic vs. stochastic models
  Modèles détérministe vs. stochastique
- Structured models
  Modèles structurés
- Two population models
  Modèles des deux populations
- SIR models – and beyond!
  Modèles SIR – et au délà !

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