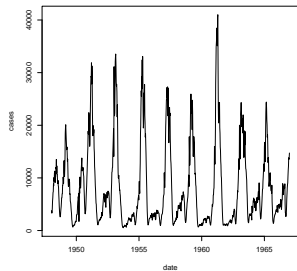


# Dynamic modeling

Connects scales



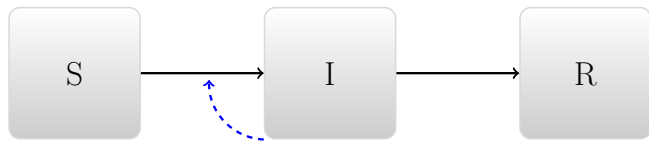
# Box models

Divide people into categories:



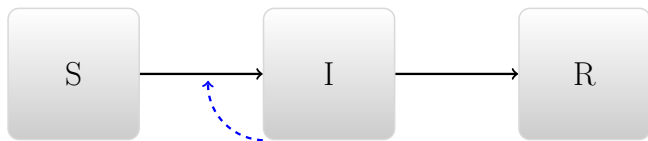
- ▶ Susceptible → Infectious → Recovered

# What determines transition rates?

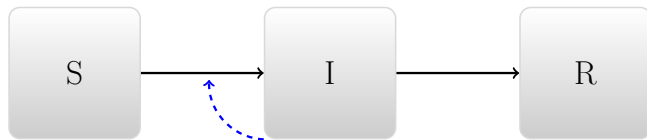


- ▶ People get better independently
- ▶ People get infected by infectious people

# Conceptual modeling

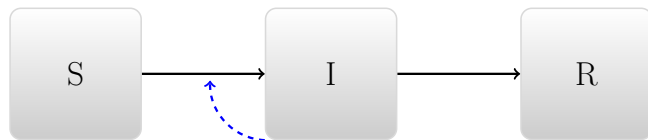


# Conceptual modeling



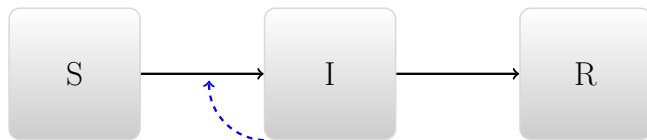
- ▶ What is the final result?
- ▶ When does disease increase, decrease?

# Implementation



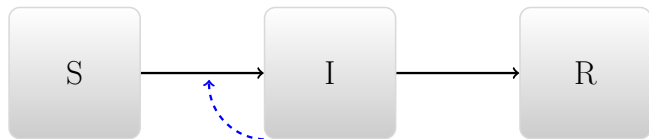
- ▶ The conceptually *simplest* way to implement this conceptual model concretely is Ordinary Differential Equations (ODEs)
  - ▶ Other options may be more realistic
  - ▶ Or simpler in practice
- ▶ Requires assumption about recovery and transmission

# Recovery



- ▶ Infectious people recover at *per capita* rate  $\gamma$ 
  - ▶ Total recovery rate is  $\gamma I$
  - ▶ Mean time infectious is  $D = 1/\gamma$

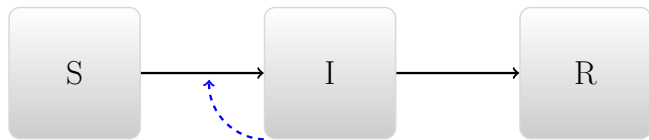
# Transmission



- ▶ Susceptible people get infected by:
  - ▶ Going around and contacting people (rate  $c$ )
  - ▶ Some of these people are infectious (proportion  $I/N$ )
  - ▶ Some of these contacts are effective (proportion  $p$ )
- ▶ Per capita rate of becoming infected is  $cpI/N$ . We write  $\beta I/N$  ( $\beta = cp$ )
- ▶ Population-level transmission rate is  $\beta SI/N$

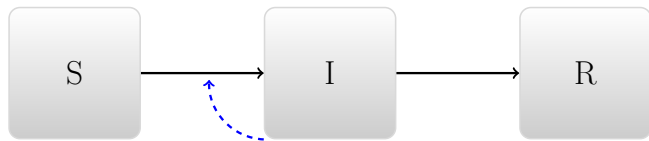


## Another perspective on transmission



- ▶ Infectious people infect others by:
  - ▶ Going around and contacting people (rate  $c$ )
  - ▶ Some of these people are susceptible (proportion  $S/N$ )
  - ▶ Some of these contacts are effective (proportion  $p$ )
- ▶ Per capita rate of infecting others is  $cpS/N$ . We write  $\beta S/N$
- ▶ Population-level transmission rate is  $\beta SI/N$

# ODE implementation



$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dS}{dt} &= -\beta \frac{SI}{N} \\ \frac{dI}{dt} &= \beta \frac{SI}{N} - \gamma I \\ \frac{dR}{dt} &= \gamma I\end{aligned}$$

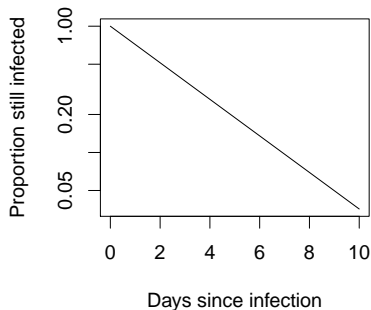
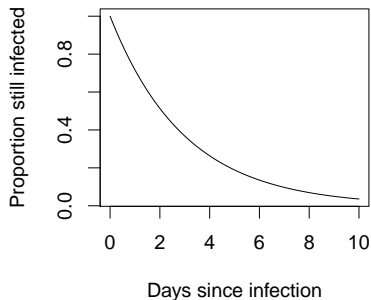
# Spreadsheet example

# ODE assumptions



- ▶ Lots and lots of people
- ▶ Perfectly mixed

# ODE assumptions



- ▶ Waiting times are exponentially distributed
- ▶ Rarely realistic

# Scripts vs. spreadsheets

|    | Susceptibles<br>people | Infectious<br>people | Removed<br>people | Total<br>people |
|----|------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| 0  | 999                    | 1                    | 0                 |                 |
| 1  | 998.6004               | 1.1996               | 0.2               |                 |
| 2  | 998.121231584064       | 1.438848415936       | 0.43992           |                 |
| 3  | 997.546773522873       | 1.72553679393953     | 0.7276896831872   |                 |
| 4  | 996.858252058318       | 2.06895089970737     | 1.07279704197511  |                 |
| 5  | 996.033271747327       | 2.48014103075661     | 1.48658722191658  |                 |
| 6  | 995.045150553223       | 2.97223401870901     | 1.9826154280679   |                 |
| 7  | 993.862147734573       | 3.56079003361749     | 2.5770622318097   |                 |
| 8  | 992.446573962396       | 4.26420579907117     | 3.2892202385332   |                 |
| 9  | 990.753775388012       | 5.10416321364044     | 4.14206139834744  |                 |
| 10 | 988.730987798368       | 6.1061181605567      | 5.16289404107552  |                 |
| 11 | 986.316064502168       | 7.29981782464567     | 6.38411767318686  |                 |
| 12 | 983.436093466813       | 8.71982529507146     | 7.844081238116    |                 |
| 13 | 980.005937097253       | 10.4060166056164     | 9.58804629713029  |                 |

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return (as.list(  
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  Idot = S*I/N - I/D,  
  Rdot = I/D  
))
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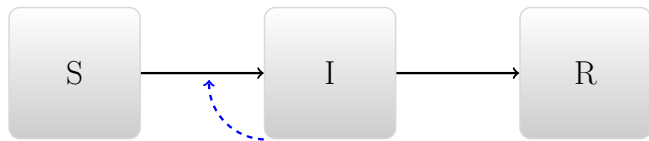
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# More about transmission



- ▶  $\beta = pc$
- ▶ Sometimes this decomposition is clear
- ▶ But usually it's not

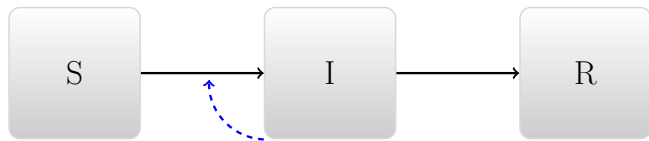
## Population sizes



$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dS}{dt} &= -\beta \frac{SI}{N} \\ \frac{dI}{dt} &= \beta \frac{SI}{N} - \gamma I \\ \frac{dR}{dt} &= \gamma I\end{aligned}$$

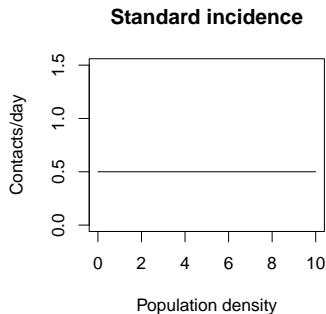


## Population sizes



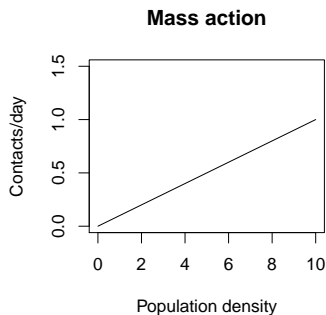
$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dS}{dt} &= -\beta(N)\frac{SI}{N} \\ \frac{dI}{dt} &= \beta(N)\frac{SI}{N} - \gamma I \\ \frac{dR}{dt} &= \gamma I\end{aligned}$$

# Standard incidence



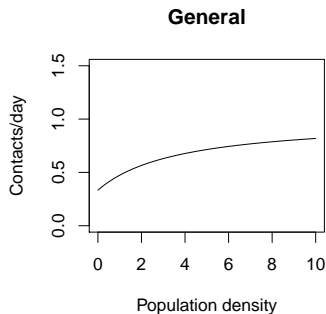
- ▶  $\beta(N) = \beta_0$
- ▶  $\mathcal{T} = \frac{\beta_0 SI}{N}$
- ▶ Also known as frequency-dependent transmission

# Mass action



- ▶  $\beta(N) = \beta_1 N$
- ▶  $\mathcal{T} = \beta_1 SI$
- ▶ Also known as density-dependent transmission

# Other

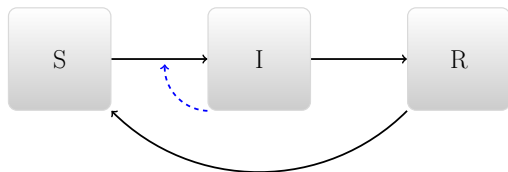


- ▶ May not go to zero when  $N$  does
- ▶ May not go to  $\infty$  when  $N$  does

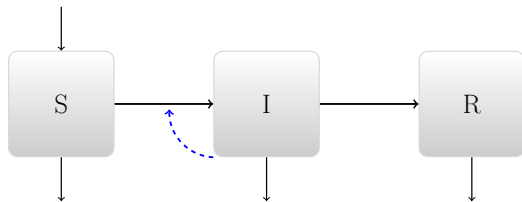
# Digression – units

- ▶  $\mathcal{T} = \beta SI/N : [\text{pp1/time}]$
- ▶  $\beta : [1/\text{time}]$ 
  - ▶  $\beta/\gamma = \beta D : [1]$
  - ▶ Standard incidence,  $\beta_0 : [1/\text{time}]$
  - ▶ Mass-action incidence,  $\beta_0 : [1/\text{time}]$

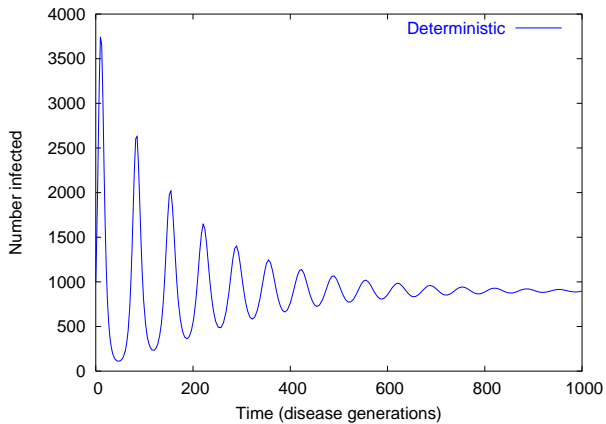
## Closing the circle



# Births and deaths

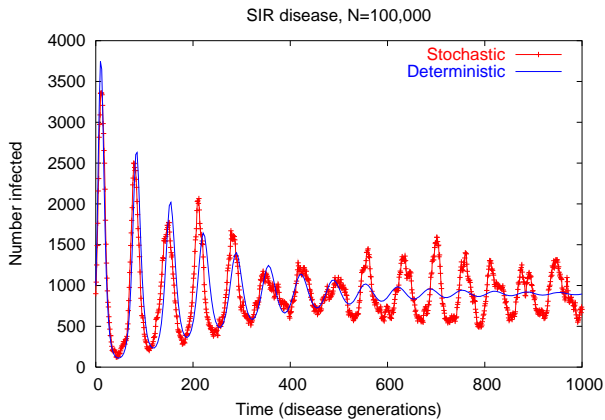


# Tendency to oscillate





# With individuality



# Summary

- ▶ Dynamics are an essential tool to link scales
- ▶ Very simple models can provide useful insights
- ▶ More complex models can provide more detail, but also require more assumptions, and more choices

# Conclusions from simple models

- ▶ Threshold behaviour
- ▶ Tendency to oscillate