

Biological Contagion

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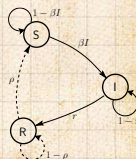
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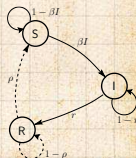
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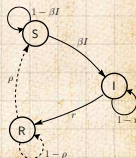
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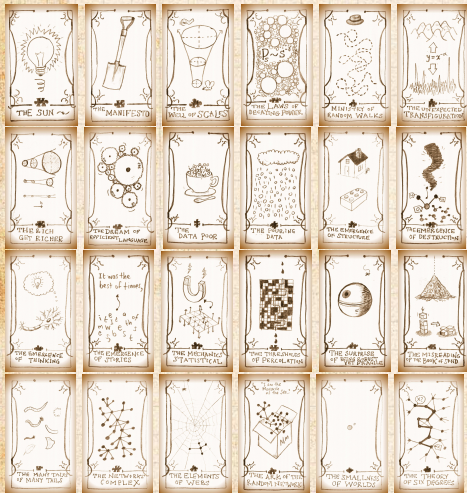
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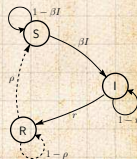
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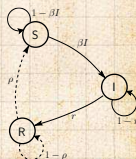
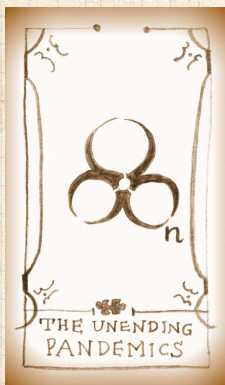
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List of epidemics

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This article is a **list of epidemics** of **infectious disease**. Widespread and chronic complaints such as **heart disease** and **allergy** are not included if they are not thought to be infectious.

This list is *incomplete*; you can help by [expanding it](#).

Death toll (estimate)	Location	Date	Comment	Disease	Reference
ca. 75,000 - 100,000	Greece	429–426 BC	Known as Plague of Athens , because it was primarily in Athens.	unknown, similar to typhoid	
ca. 30% of population	Europe, Western Asia, Northern Africa	165–180	Known as Antonine Plague , due to the name of the Roman emperor in power at the time.	unknown, symptoms similar to smallpox	
	Europe	250-266 AD	Know as the Plague of Cyprian named after St. Cyprian Bishop of Carthage.	unknown, possibly smallpox	
ca. 40% of population	Europe	541–542	Known as Plague of Justinian , due to the name of the Byzantine emperor in power at the time.	Bubonic plague	[1]
30% to 70% of population	Europe	1346–1350	Known as "Black Death" or Second plague pandemic , first return of the plague to Europe after the Justinianic plague of the 6th century.	plague	[2]
5-15 million (80% of population)	Mexico	1545-1548	Cocoliztli	viral hemorrhagic fever	[3][4]
2 - 2.5 million (50% of population)	Mexico	1576	Cocoliztli	viral hemorrhagic fever	[5][6]
	Seneca nation	1592–1596		measles	[6]



Plague mask with the stigmata of death, 1607–35, Deutsches Historisches Museum Berlin



An artistic portrayal of cholera which was epidemic in the 19th century



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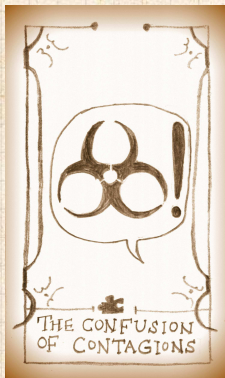
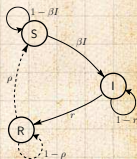
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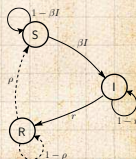
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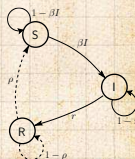
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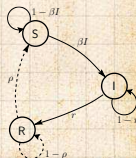
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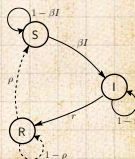
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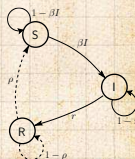
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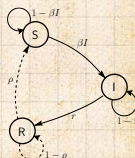
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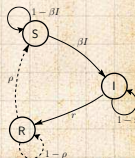
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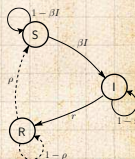
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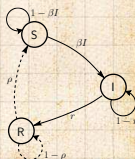
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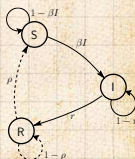
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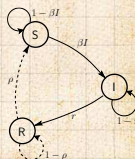
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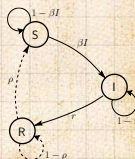
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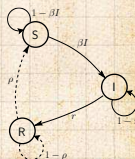
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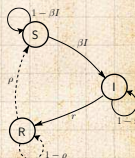
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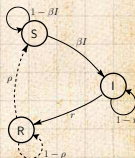
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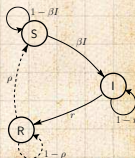
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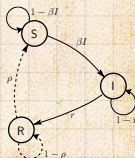
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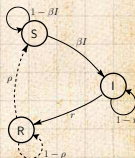
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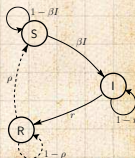
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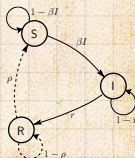
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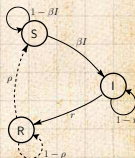
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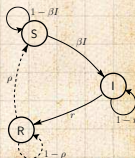
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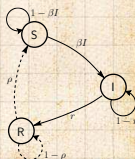
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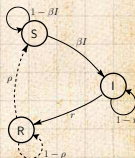
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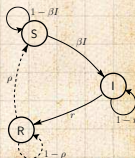
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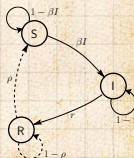
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The spread of fanaticism

Hoffer's most famous work: "The True Believer:
Thoughts On The Nature Of Mass Movements"
(1951)^[11]

Aphorisms-aplenty:

- ▶ "We can be absolutely certain only about things we do not understand."
- ▶ "Mass movements can rise and spread without belief in a God, but never without belief in a devil."
- ▶ "Where freedom is real, equality is the passion of the masses. Where equality is real, freedom is the passion of a small minority."

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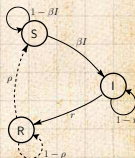
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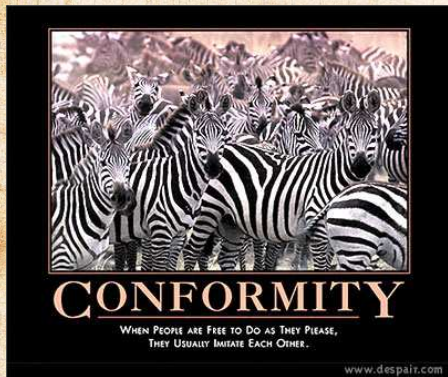
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“When people are free to do as they please, they usually imitate each other.”

—Eric Hoffer
“The Passionate State of Mind” [12]

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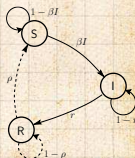
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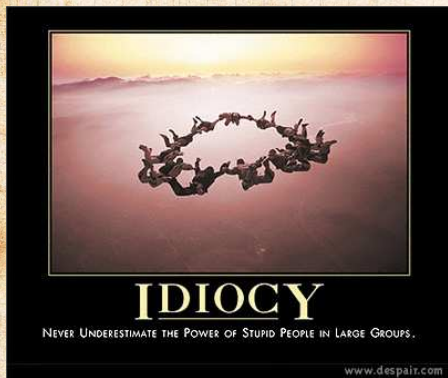
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“Never Underestimate the Power of Stupid People in Large Groups.”

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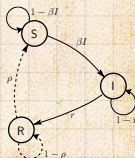
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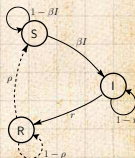
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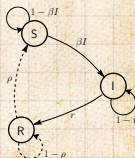
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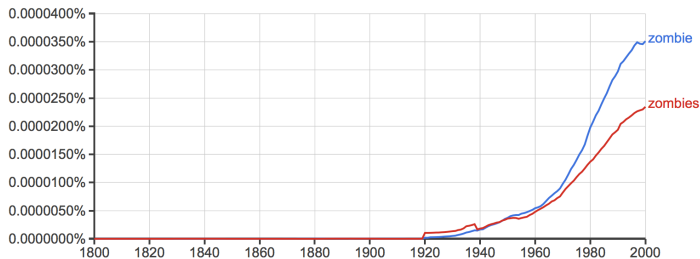
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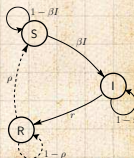
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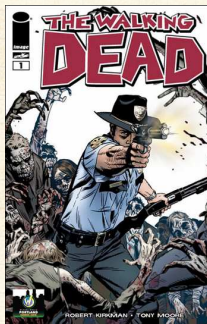
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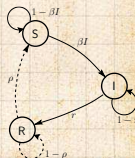
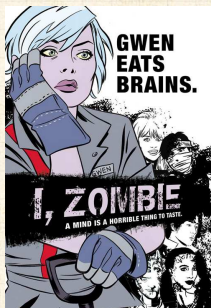


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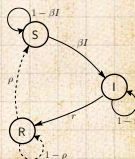
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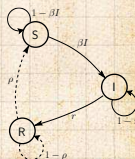
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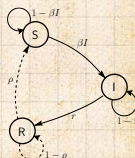
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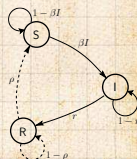
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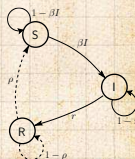
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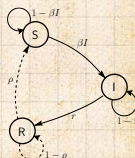
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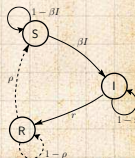
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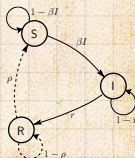
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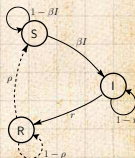
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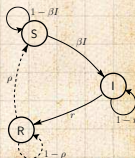
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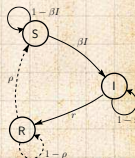
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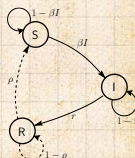
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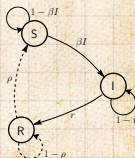
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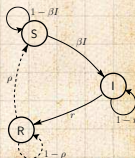
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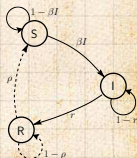
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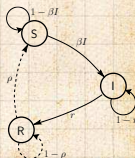
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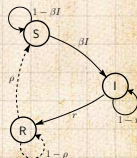
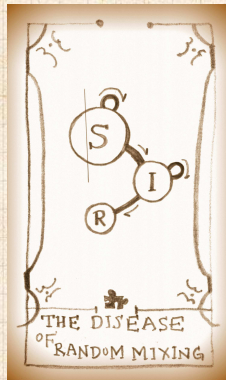
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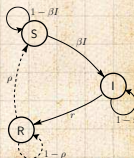
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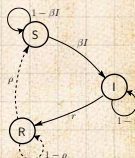
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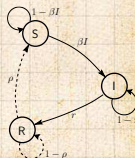
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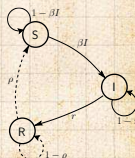
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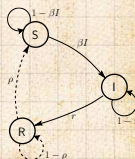
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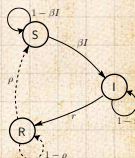
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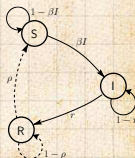
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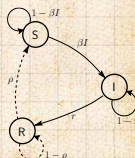
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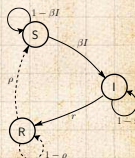
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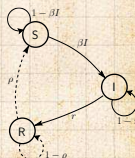
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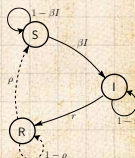
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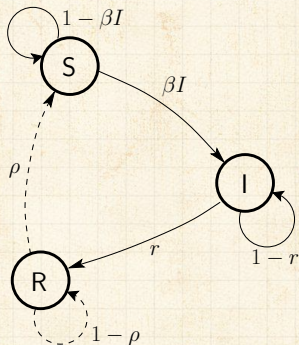
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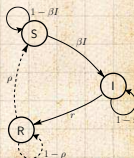
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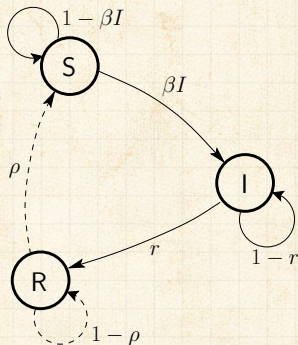
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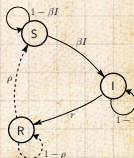
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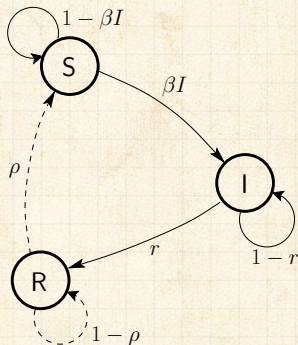
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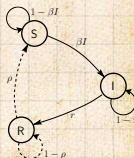
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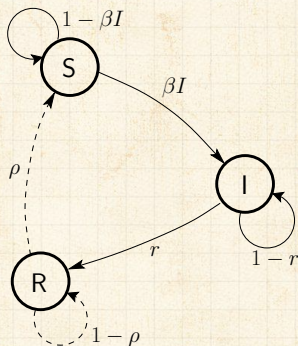
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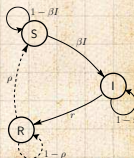
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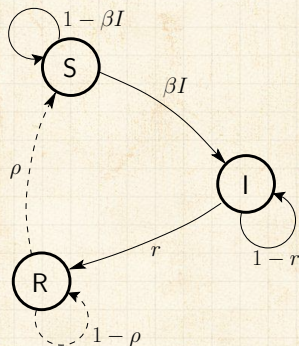
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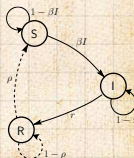
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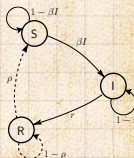
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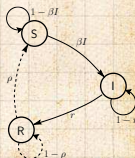
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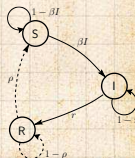
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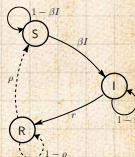
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Differential equations for continuous model

$$\frac{d}{dt}S = -\beta IS + \rho R$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}I = \beta IS - rI$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}R = rI - \rho R$$

β , r , and ρ are now **rates**.

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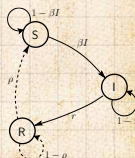
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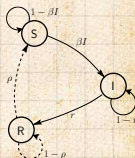
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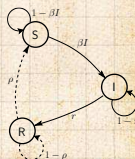
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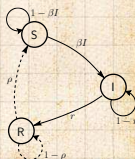
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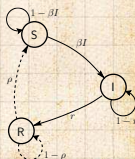
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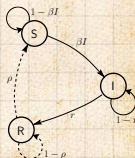
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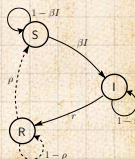
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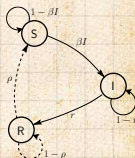
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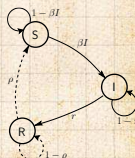
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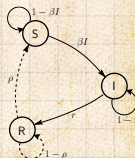
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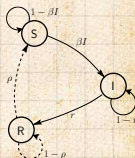
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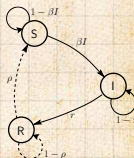
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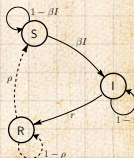
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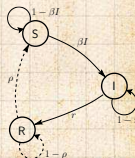
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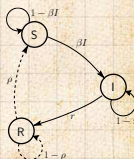
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For $S(0) \approx 1$ initial susceptibles

$(1 - S(0)) = R(0)$ = fraction initially immune):

$$R_0 = S(0)\beta/r$$

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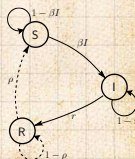
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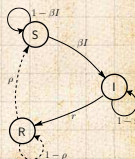
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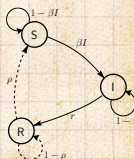
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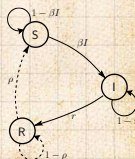
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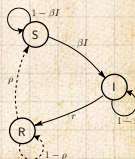
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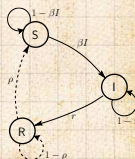
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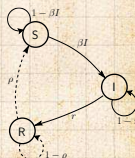
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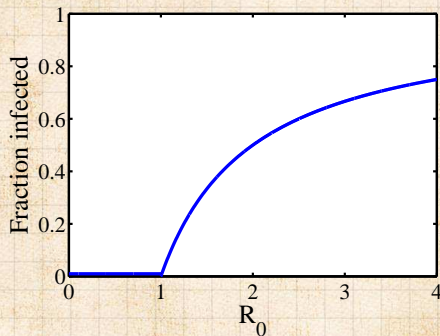
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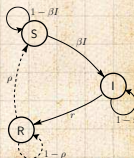
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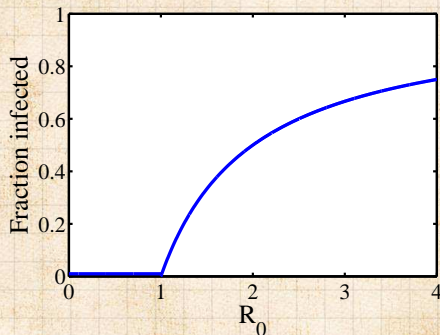
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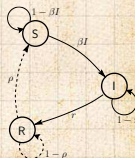
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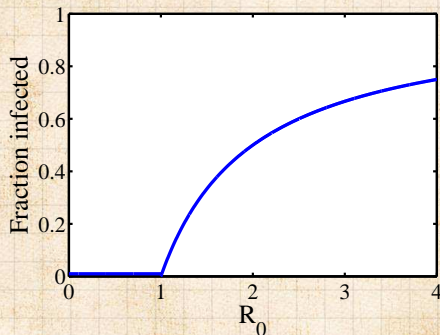
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- ▶ Continuous phase transition.
- ▶ Fine idea from a simple model.

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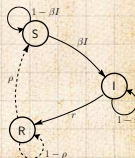
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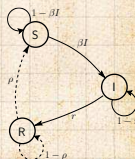
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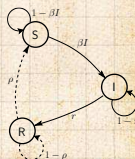
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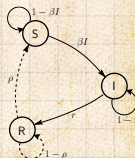
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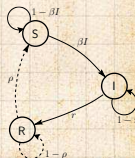
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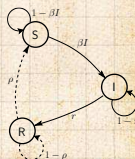
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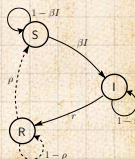
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Watch someone else pretend to save the world:

PoCS | @pocsvox

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NOTHING SPREADS LIKE FEAR

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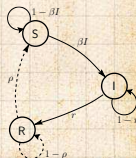
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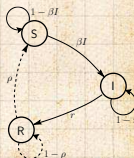
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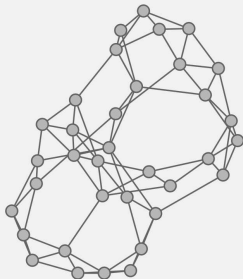
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► And you can be the virus. 

► Also contagious?: Cooperative games ...

Lesson 4: Quarantine



Vaccines take time to 'kick in' so they're ineffective if an infection has already begun to spread.

Start >

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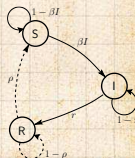
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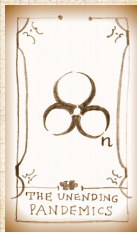
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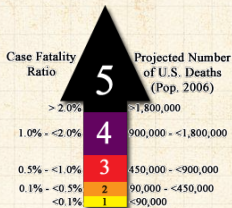
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Pandemic severity index (PSI)


► Classification during/post pandemic:



Assumes 30% illness rate
and unmitigated pandemic
without interventions

CDC

U.S. Gov.

- Category based.
- 1-5 scale.
- Modeled on the Saffir-Simpson hurricane scale .

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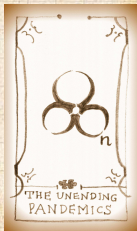
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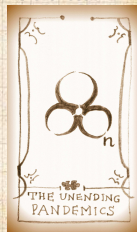
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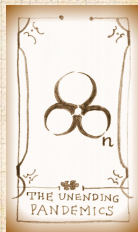
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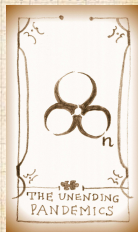
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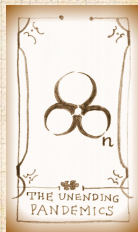
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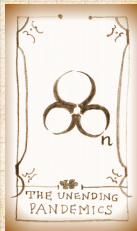
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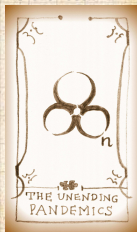
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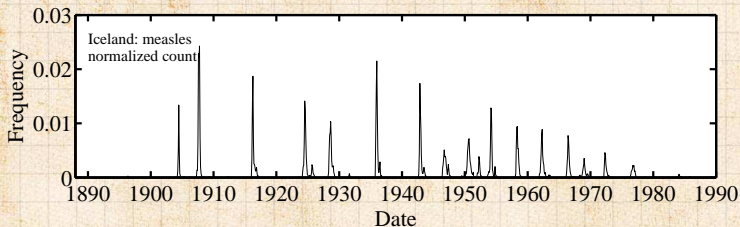
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Caseload recorded monthly for range of diseases in Iceland, 1888-1990



- ▶ Treat outbreaks separated in time as 'novel' diseases.

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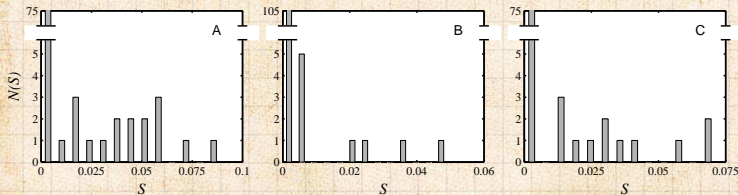
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Really not so good at all in Iceland

Epidemic size distributions $N(S)$ for
Measles, Rubella, and Whooping Cough.



Spike near $S = 0$, relatively flat otherwise.

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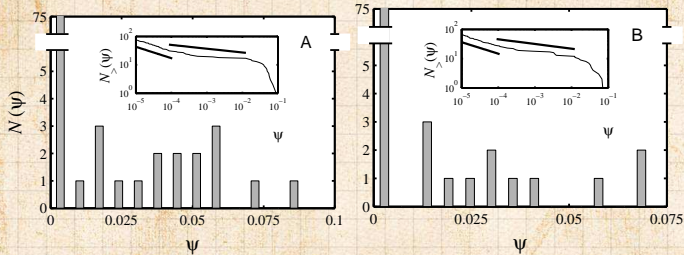
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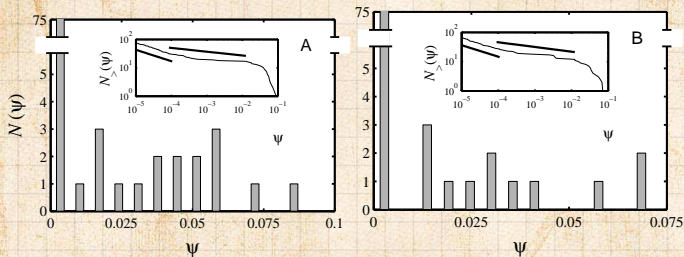
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Insert plots:

Complementary cumulative frequency distributions:

$$N(\Psi' > \Psi) \propto \Psi^{-\gamma+1}$$

Limited scaling with a possible break.

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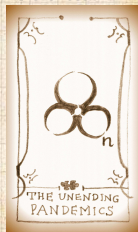
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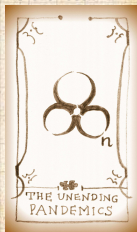
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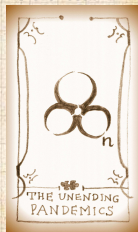
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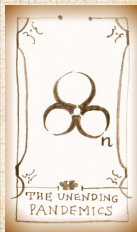
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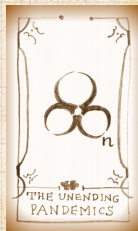
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Measured values of γ :

- ▶ measles: 1.40 (low Ψ) and 1.13 (high Ψ)
- ▶ pertussis: 1.39 (low Ψ) and 1.16 (high Ψ)

- ▶ Expect $2 \leq \gamma < 3$ (finite mean, infinite variance)
- ▶ When $\gamma < 1$, can't normalize
- ▶ Distribution is quite flat.

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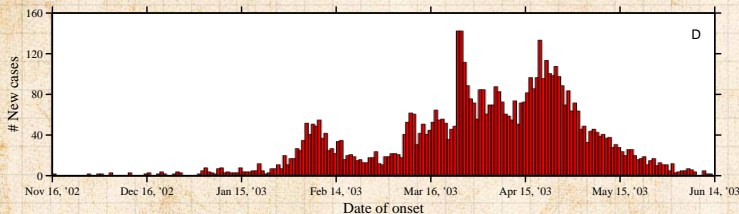
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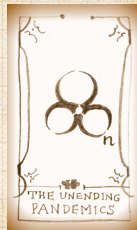
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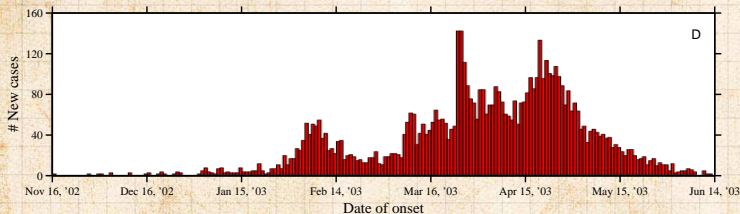
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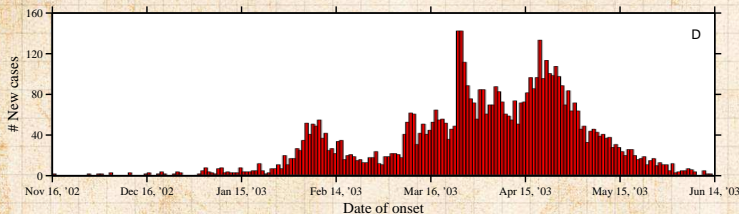
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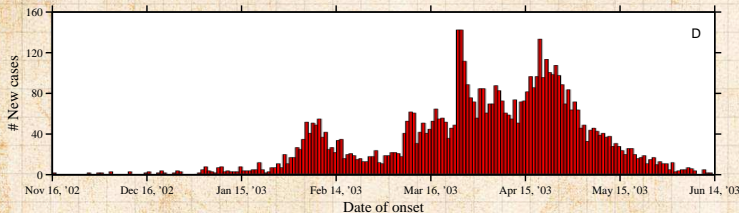
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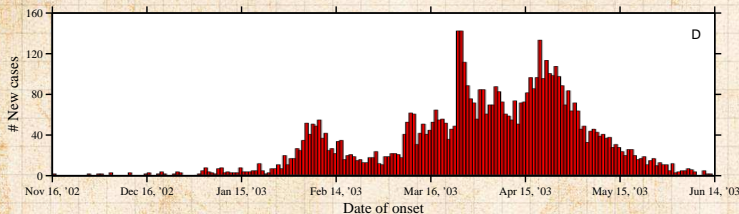
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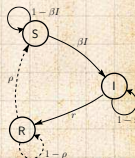
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The challenge

So... can a simple model produce

1. **broad epidemic distributions**
and
2. **resurgence ?**

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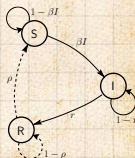
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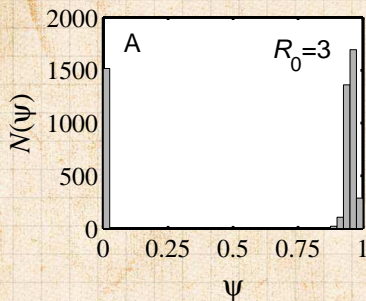
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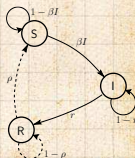
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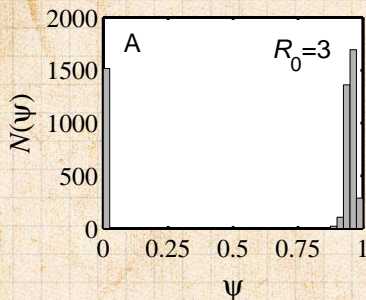
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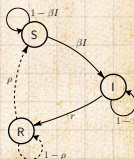
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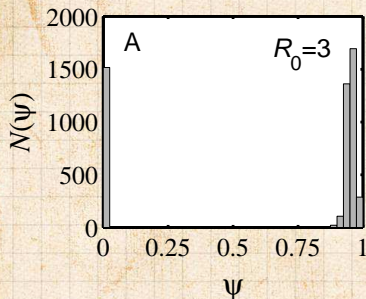
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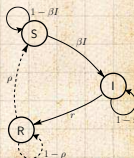
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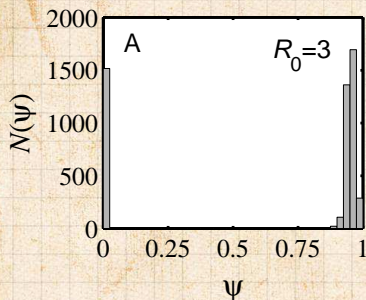
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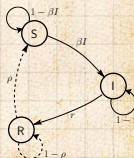
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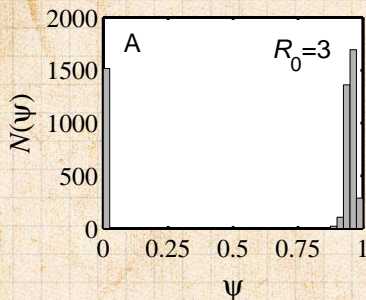
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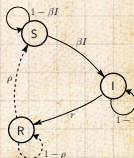
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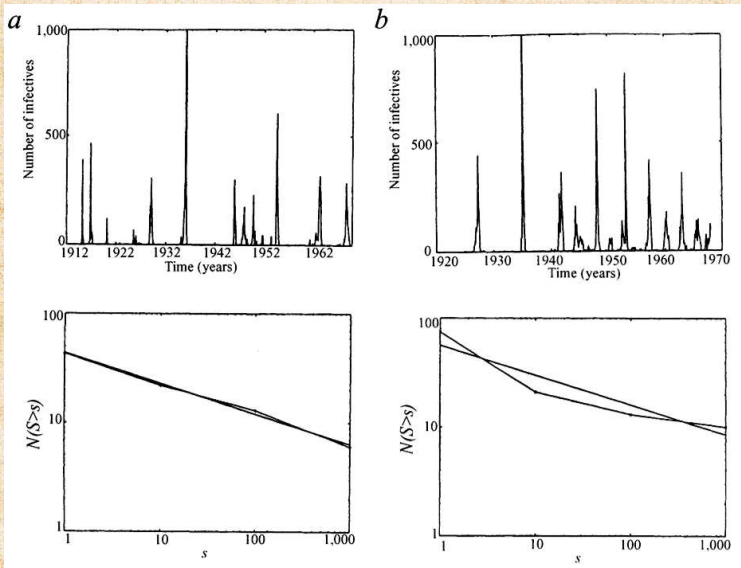
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- ▶ Community based mixing (two scales)—Longini. ^[16]
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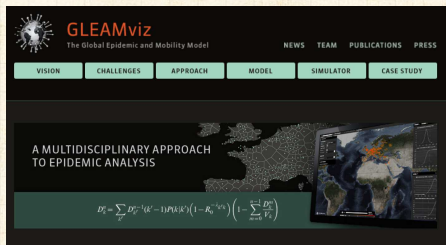
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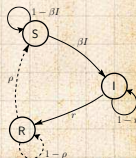
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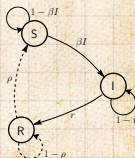
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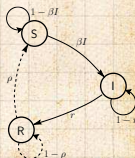
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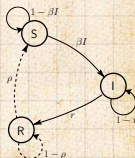
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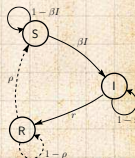
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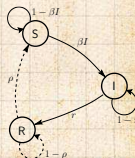
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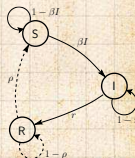
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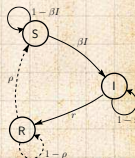
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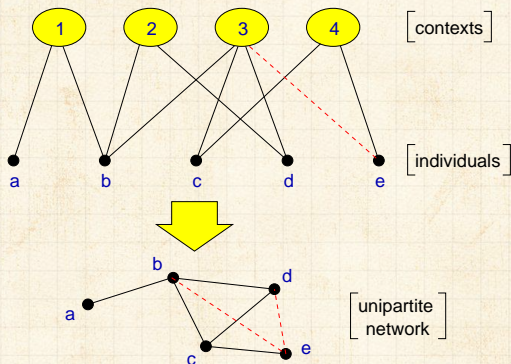
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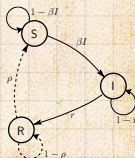
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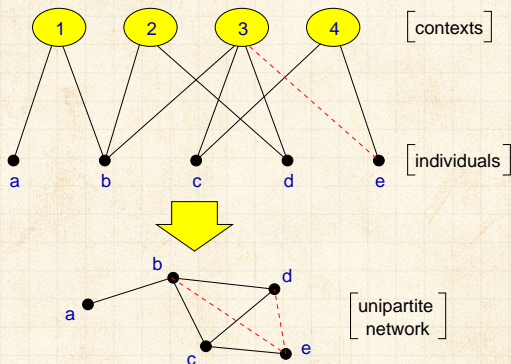
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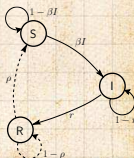
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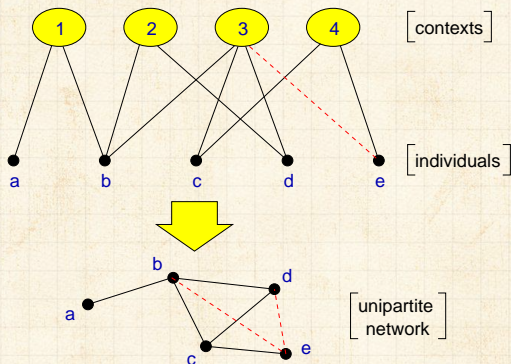
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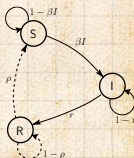
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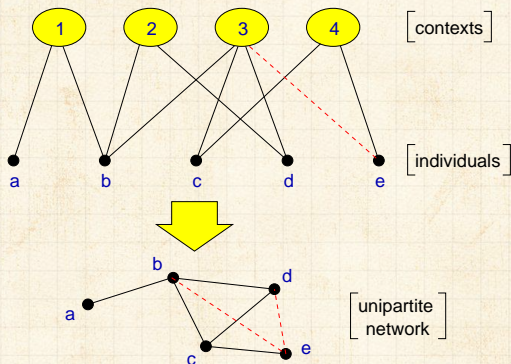
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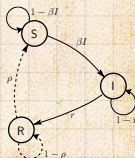
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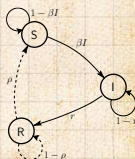
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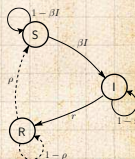
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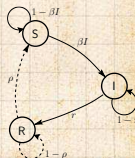
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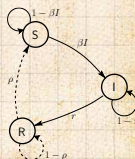
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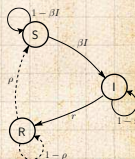
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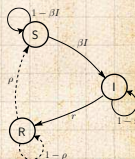
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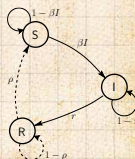
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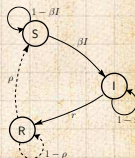
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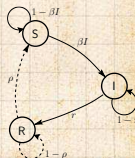
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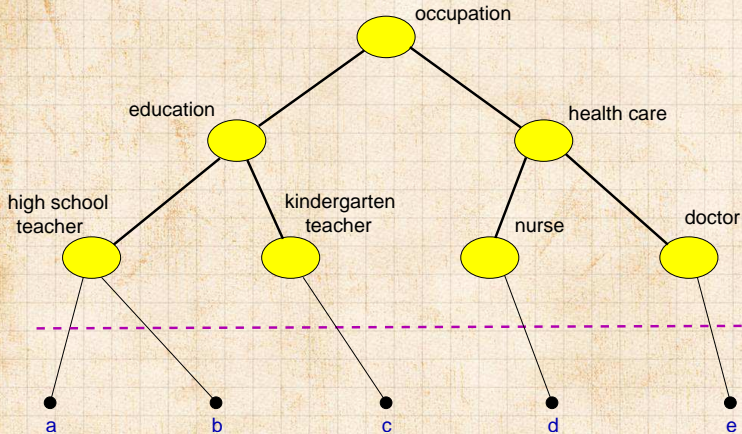
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Infer interactions/network from identities



Distance makes sense in identity/context space.

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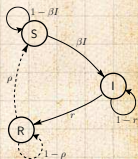
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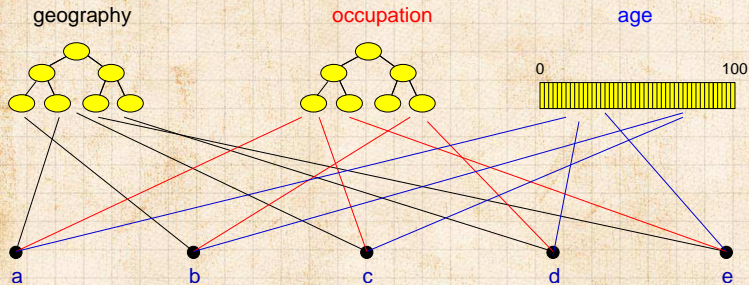
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Generalized context space



(Blau & Schwartz ^[3], Simmel ^[19], Breiger ^[4])

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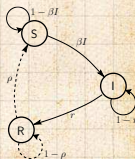
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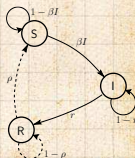
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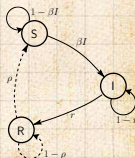
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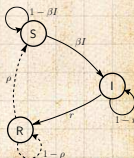
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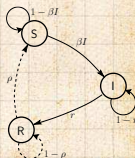
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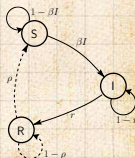
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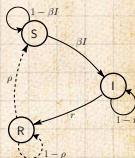
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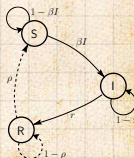
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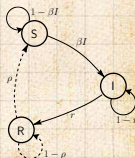
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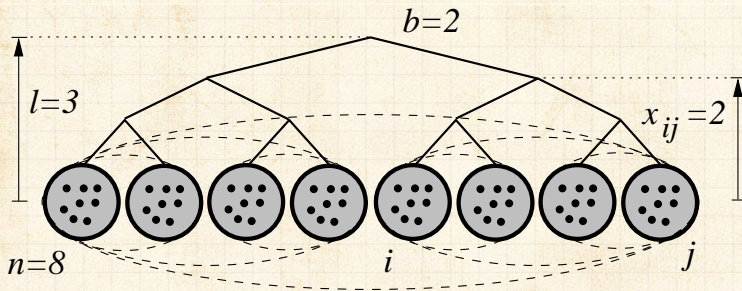
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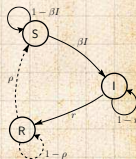
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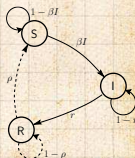
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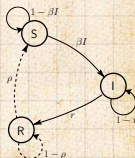
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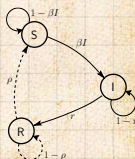
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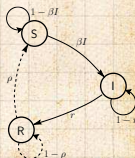
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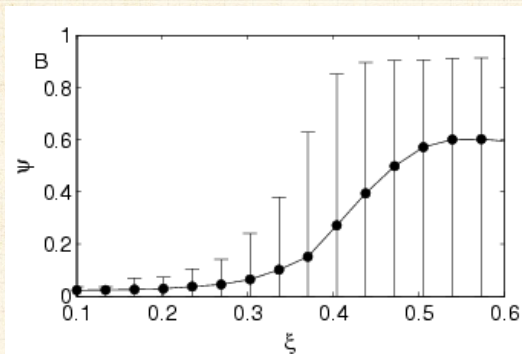
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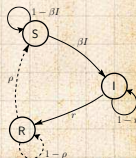
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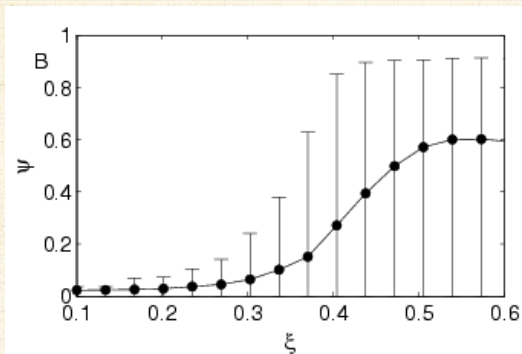
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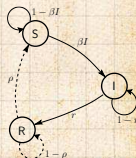
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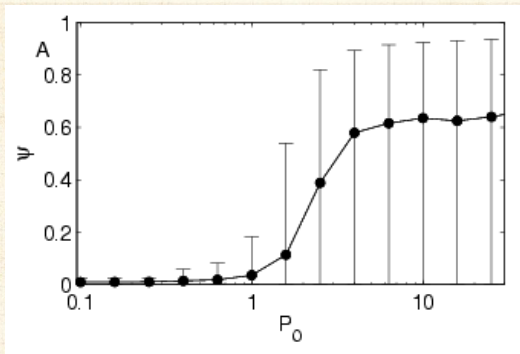
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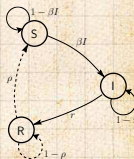
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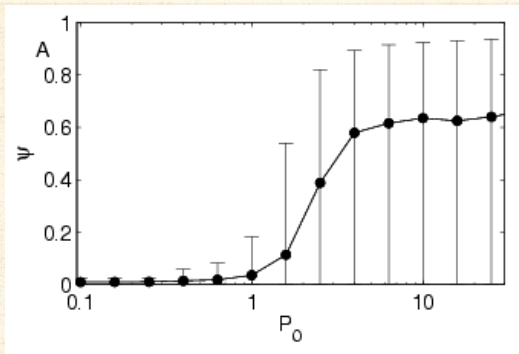
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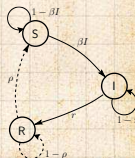
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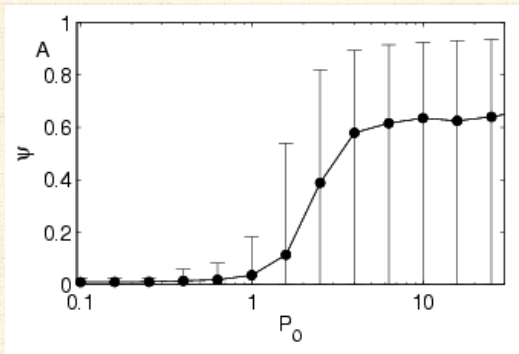
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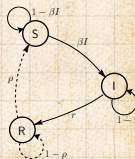
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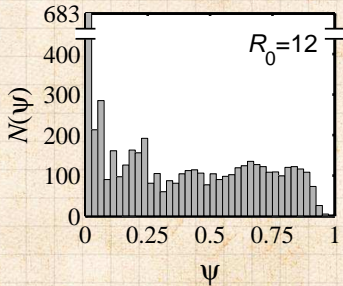
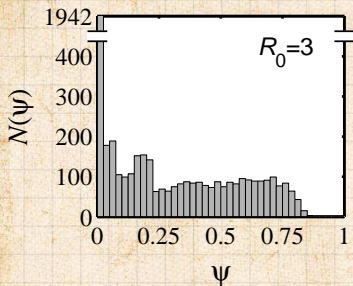
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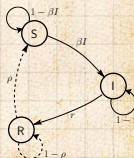
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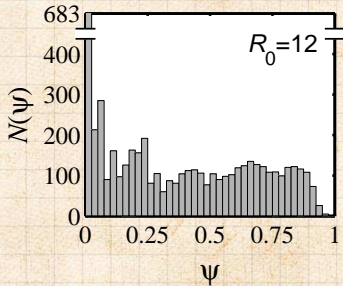
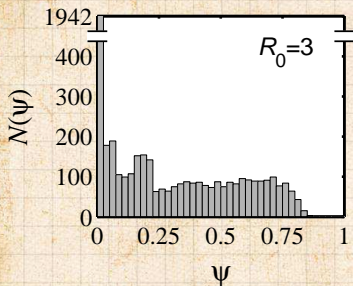
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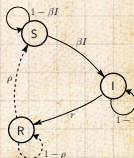
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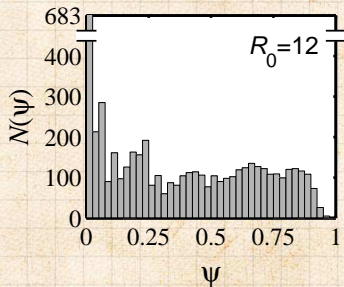
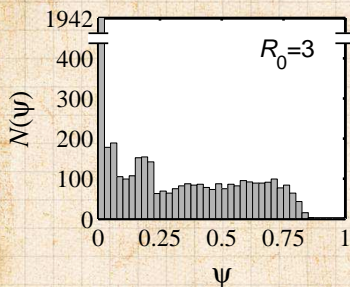
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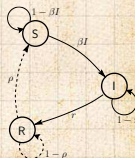
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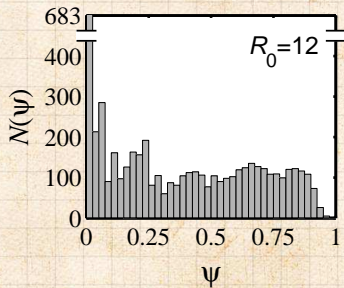
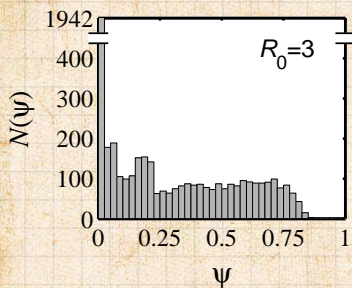
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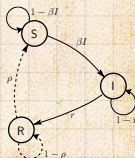
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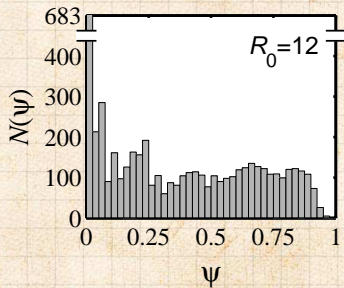
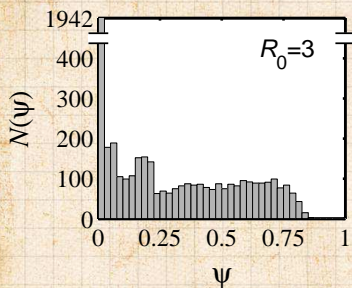
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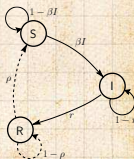
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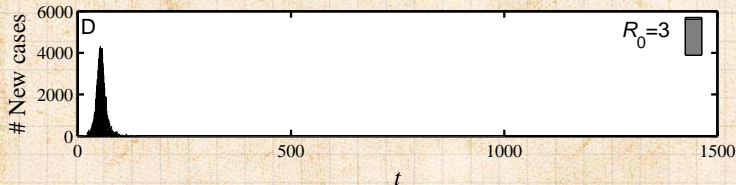


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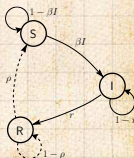
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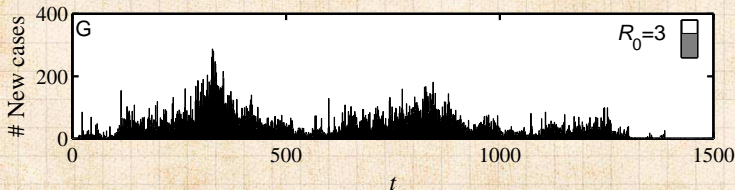
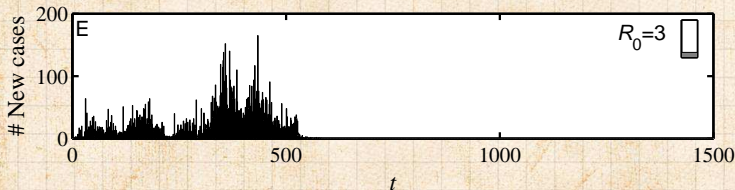
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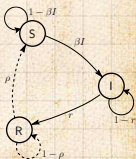


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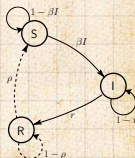
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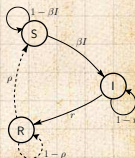
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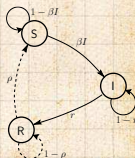
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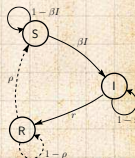
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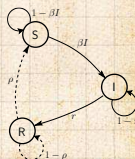
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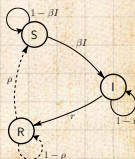
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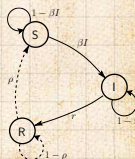
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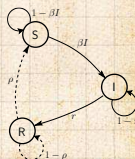
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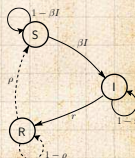
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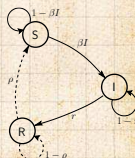
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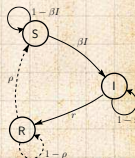
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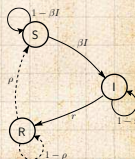
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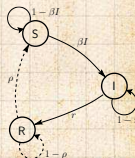
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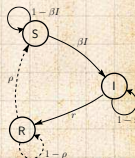
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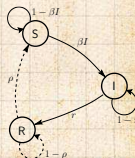
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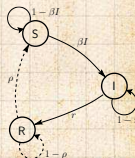
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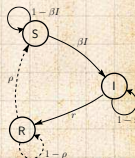
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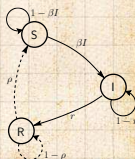
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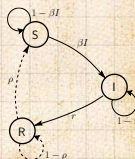
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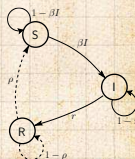
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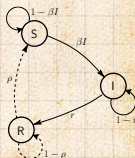
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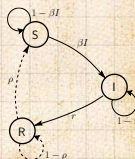
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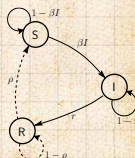
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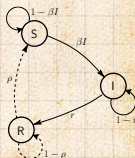
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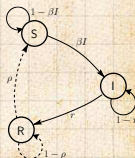
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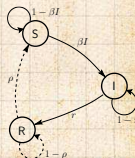
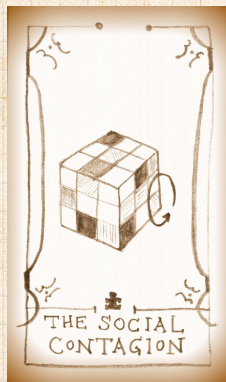
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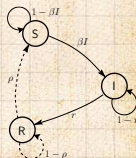
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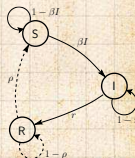
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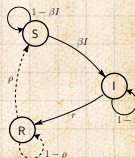
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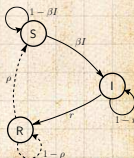
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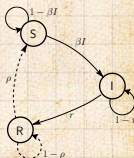
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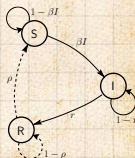
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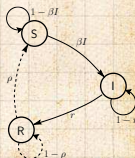
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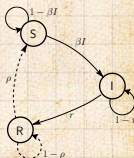
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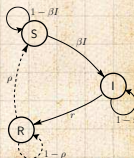
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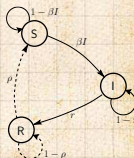
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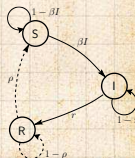
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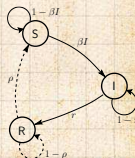
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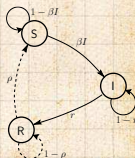
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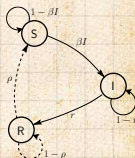
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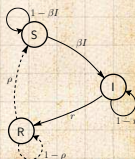
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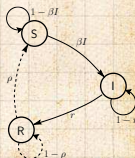
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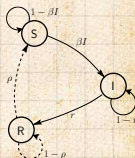
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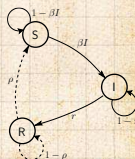
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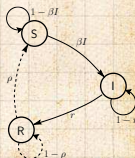
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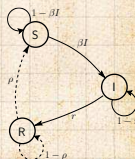
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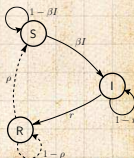
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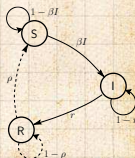
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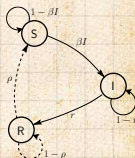
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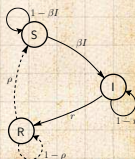
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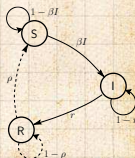
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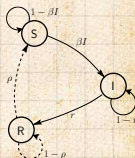
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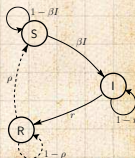
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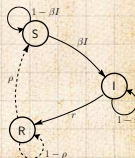
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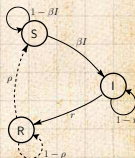
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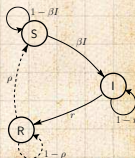
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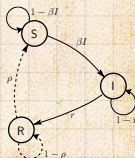
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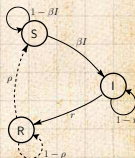
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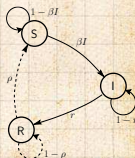
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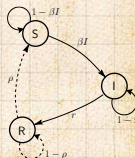
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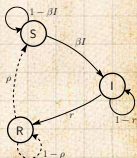
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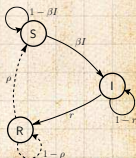
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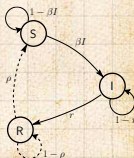
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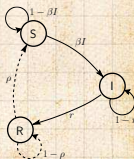
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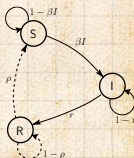
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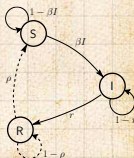
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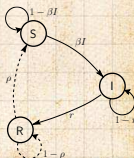
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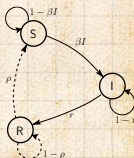
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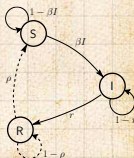
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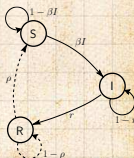
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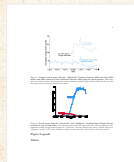
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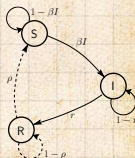
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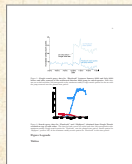
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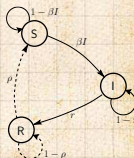
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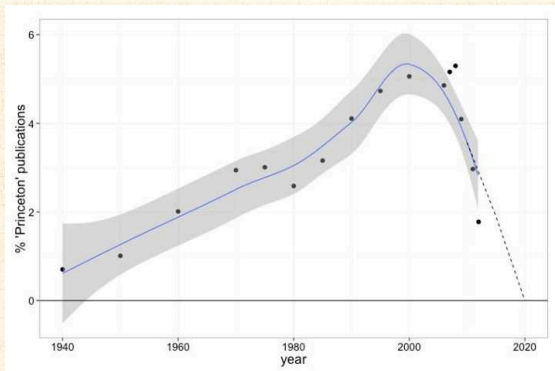
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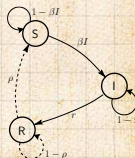
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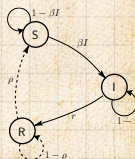
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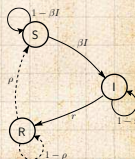
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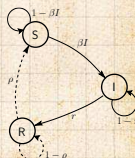
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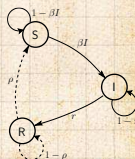
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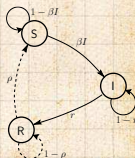
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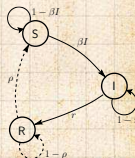
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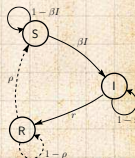
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