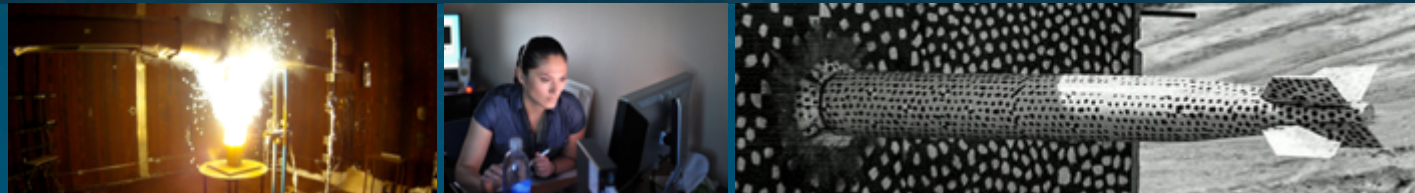


Mathematical Modeling and Analysis for Emerging Infectious Diseases



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Introduction to Epidemiology

Epi Modeling Paradigms

Compartmental Model System Analysis

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The study of the **distribution** and **determinants** of health-related states or events in *specified populations*, and the application of this study to the control of health problems [Last, 2001]



Pathology of the Virus:

Viruses are named based on their genetic structure to facilitate the development of diagnostic tests, vaccines and medicines.

Epidemiology of the Disease:

Diseases are named to enable discussion on disease prevent, spread, transmissibility, severity and treatment.

Virus	Disease
Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2)	CORonaVirus Disease, 2019 (COVID-19)



Doubling Time, T_d

The expected amount of time for the number of cumulative infections to double.

Basic Reproduction Number, R_0

The expected number of infections from one infected individual introduced into a population of 100% susceptible individuals.

Replacement Number, $R(t)$

After the early stages of an epidemic has passed, the number of secondary infections is expected to go down as the number of susceptible individuals goes down.

Herd Immunity, Ψ

Implies the susceptible population is small enough, either through vaccination or immunity due to infection and recovery, that the effective secondary infection rate is less than 1.

Non-Pharmaceutical Interventions

Social distancing, business & school closures, face masks, isolation, and quarantine.

Pharmaceutical Interventions

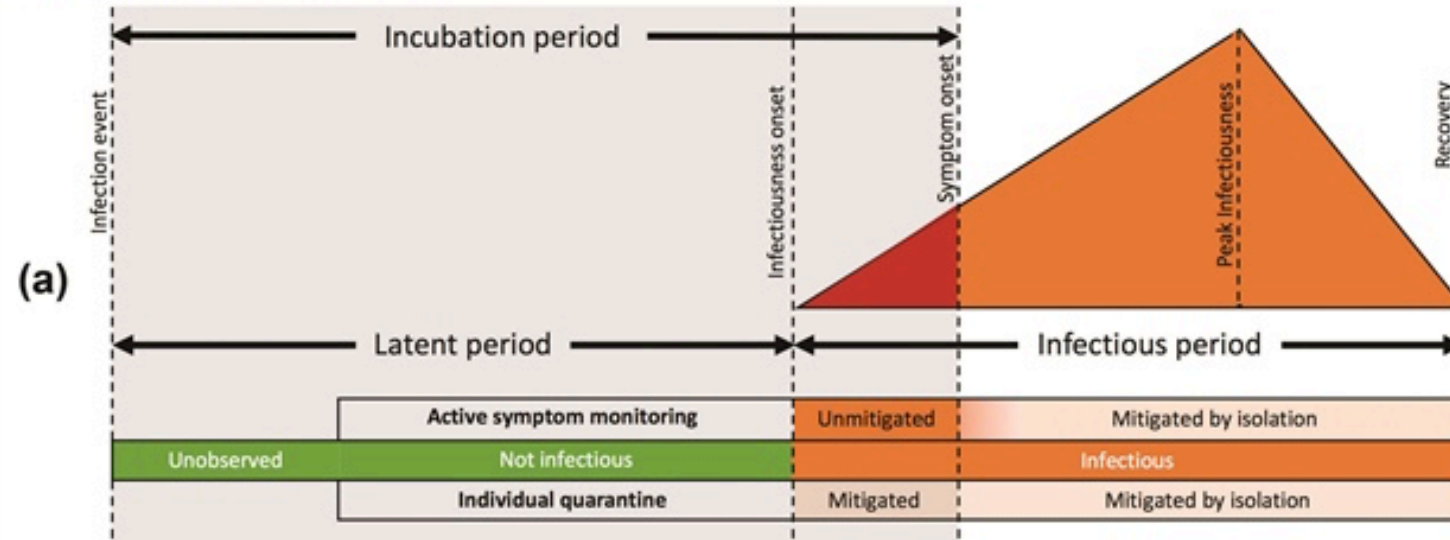
Vaccinations for the susceptible populations and/or therapeutics for the infected population.

Infection to Infectious Timeline

[Childs, 2020]



Symptoms *after* infectiousness



Symptoms *before* infectiousness

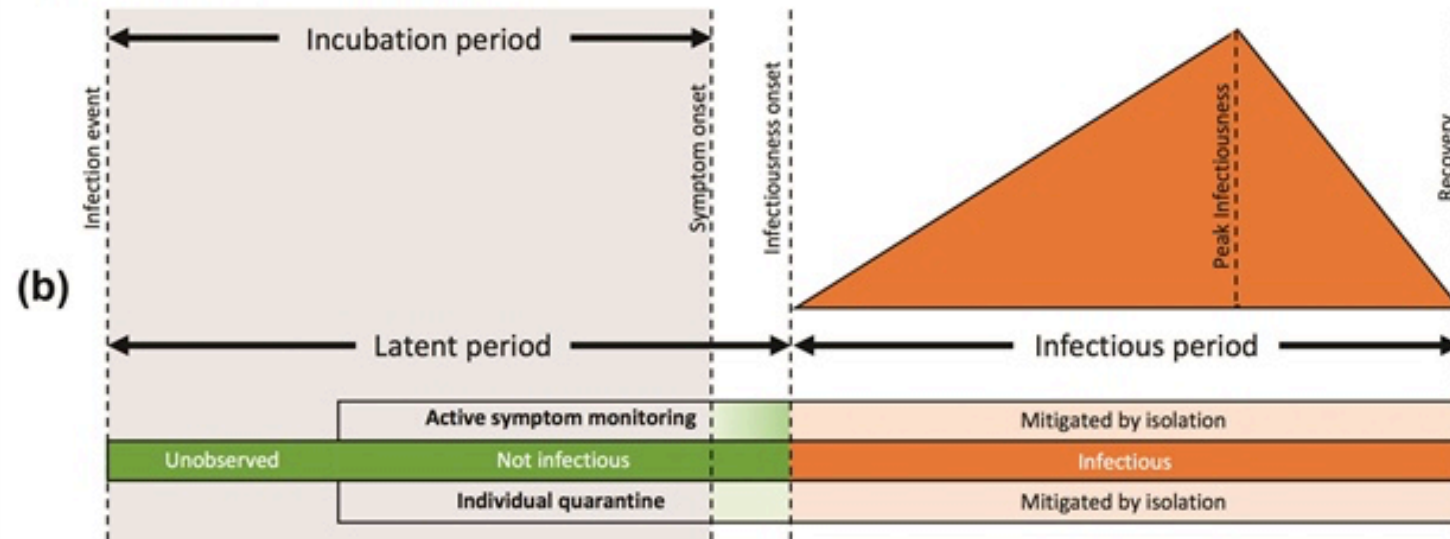
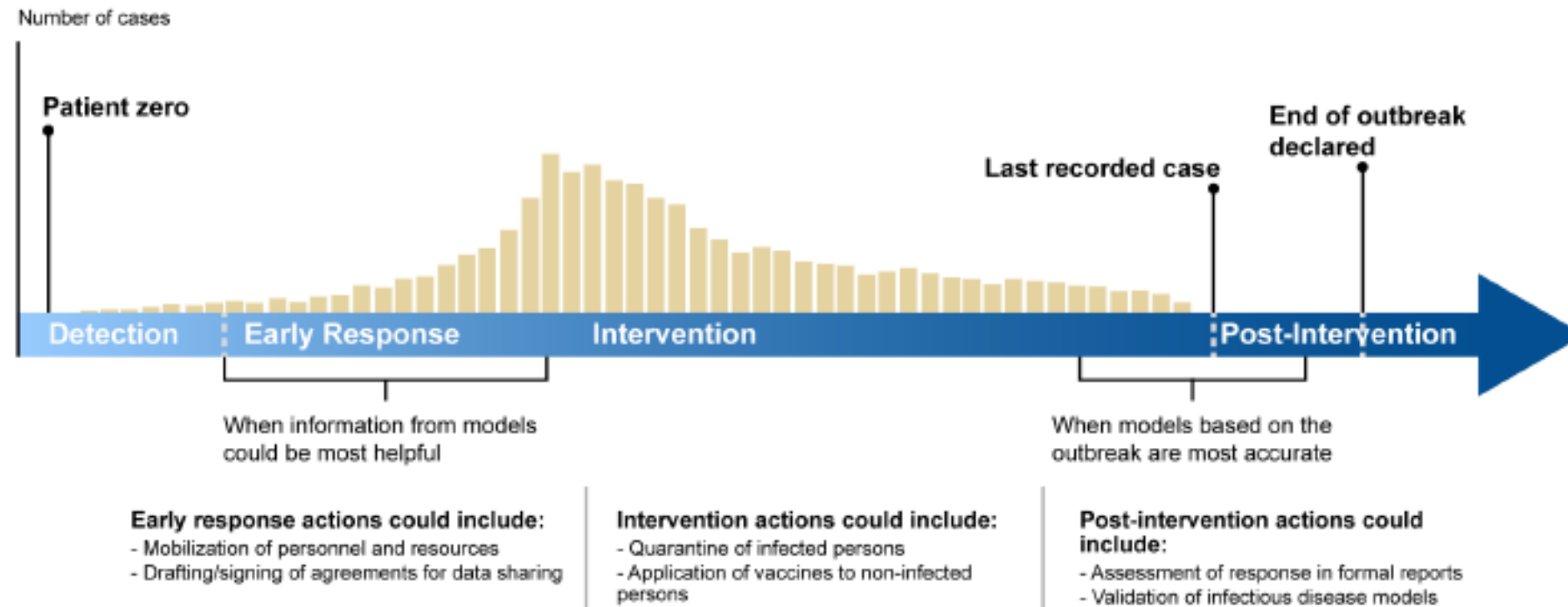


Figure 3: Timeline of Data Availability for Models Compared to Usefulness of Modeling During an Outbreak.



Source: GAO analysis of documents. | GAO-20-372

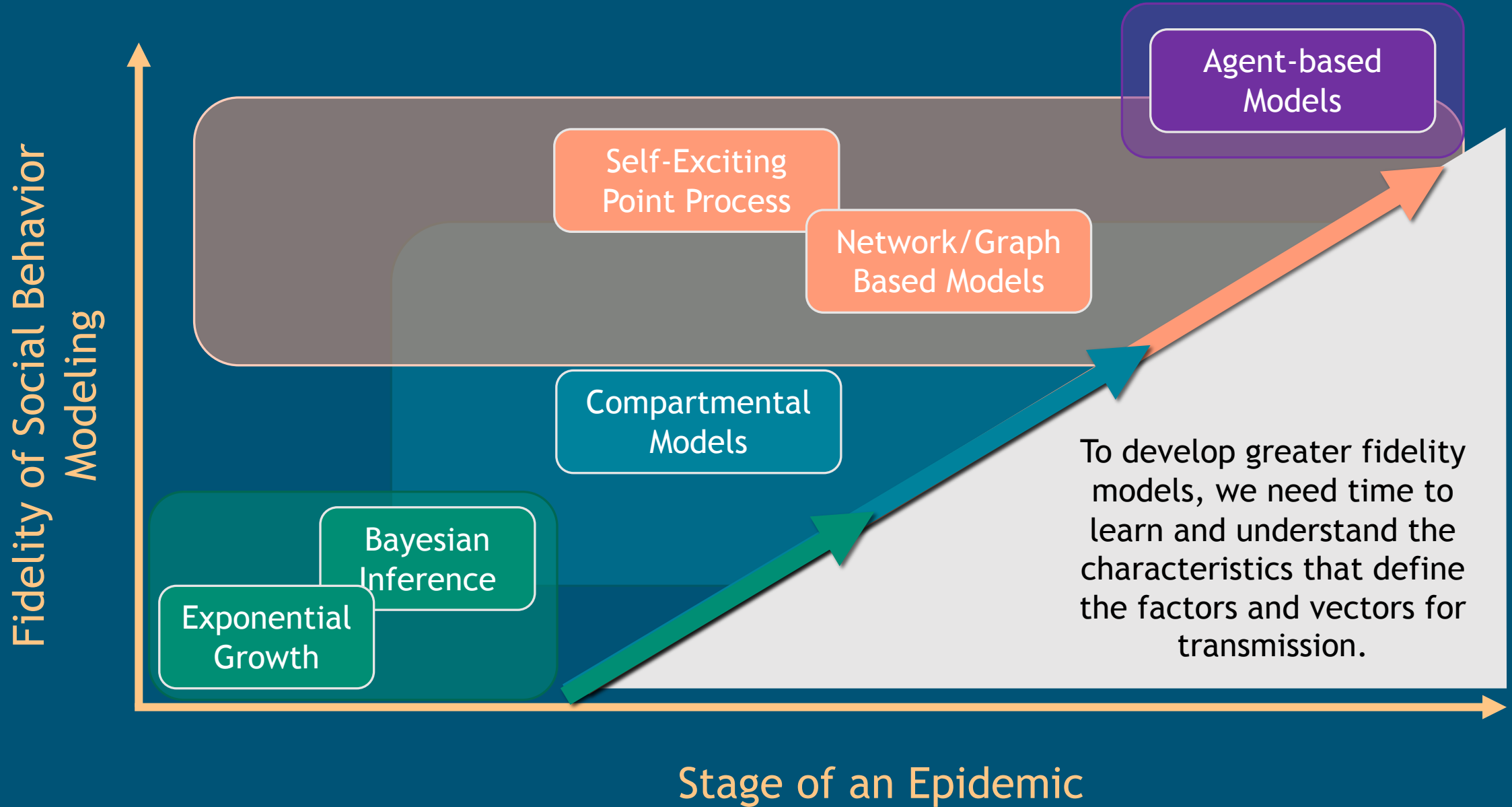


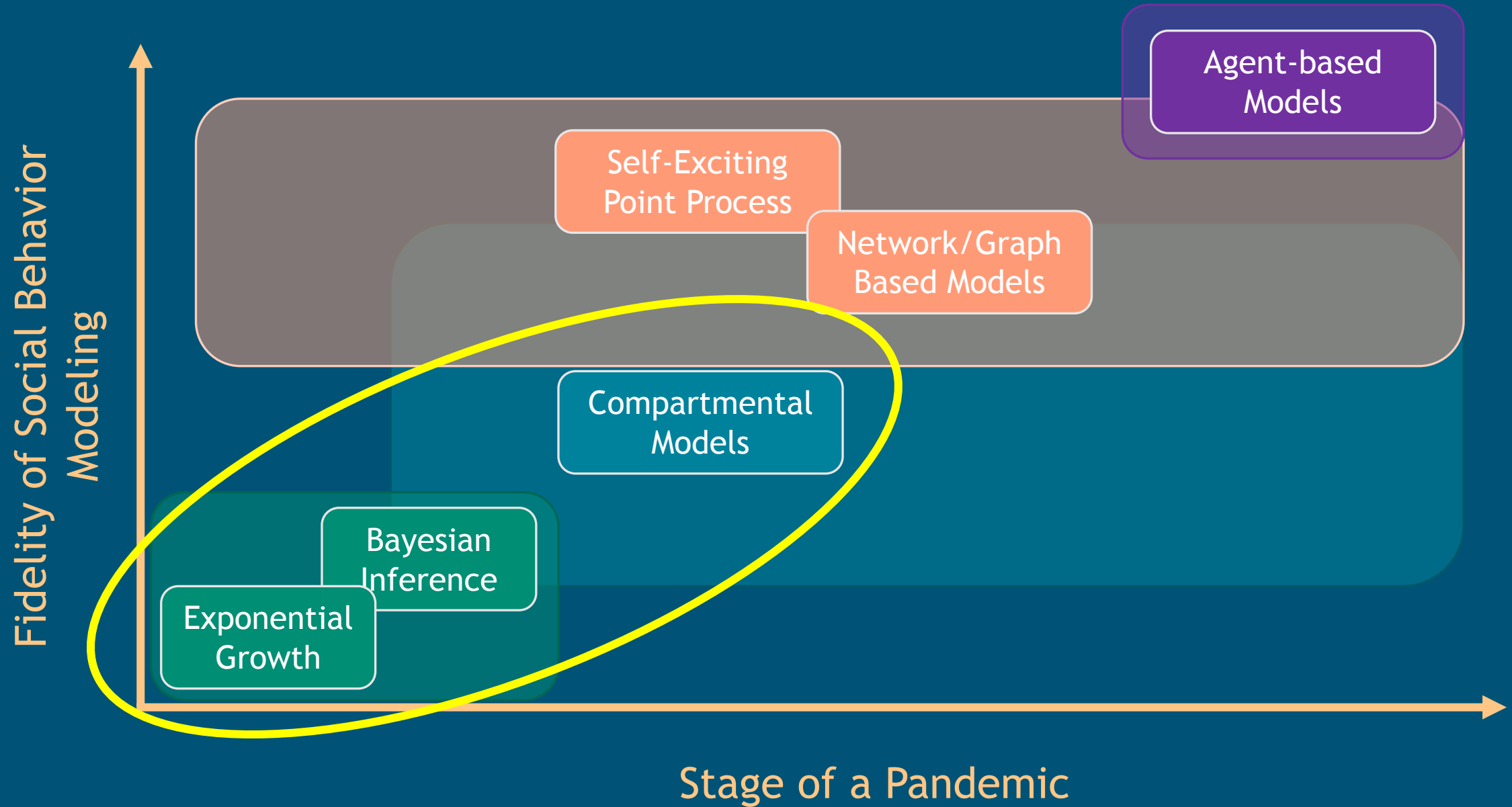
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Exponential Growth



As an early stage model, these models are typically used to derive the secondary infection rate, R_0 , for an emerging epidemic.

T_d (Doubling Time) is observable from the case counts

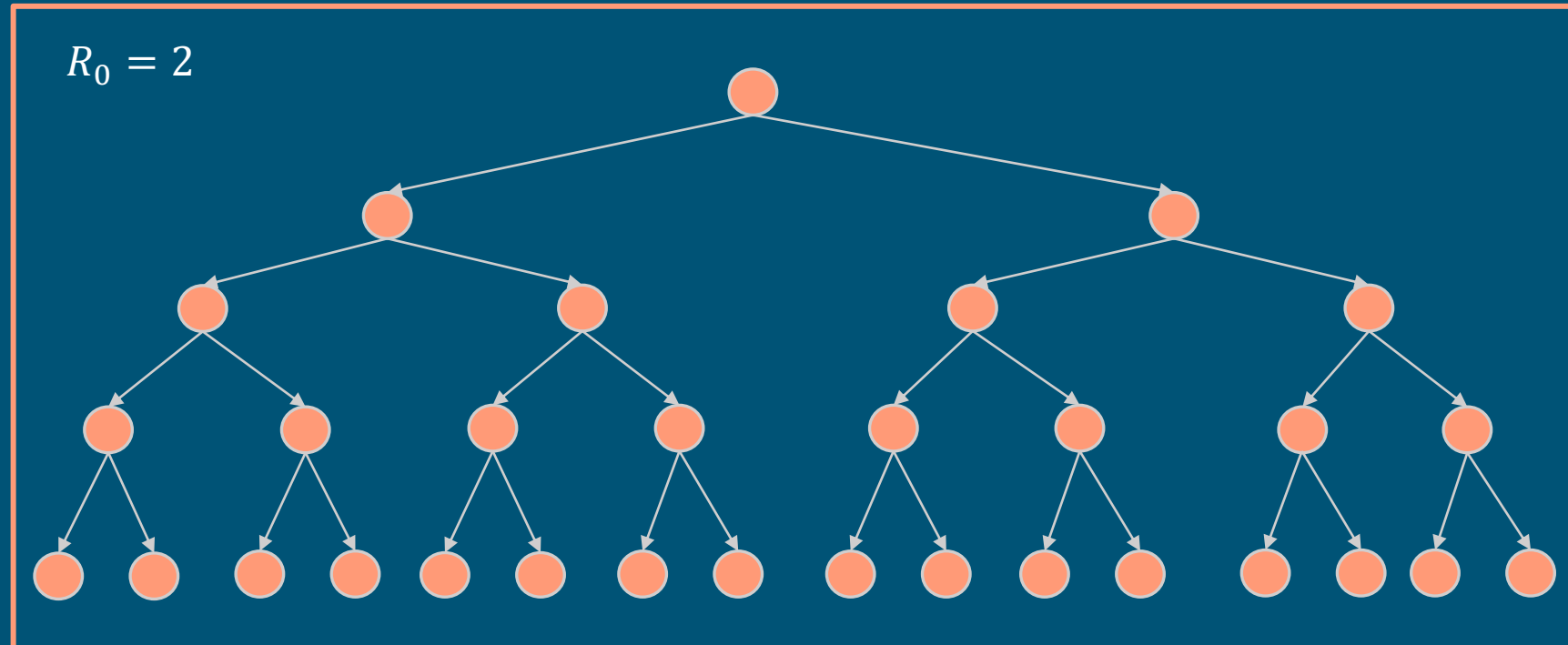
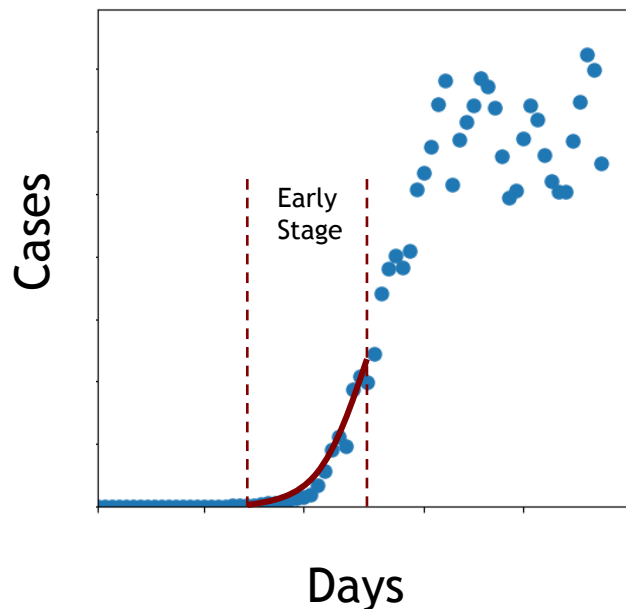


$$R_0 = \ln(2) / T_d$$



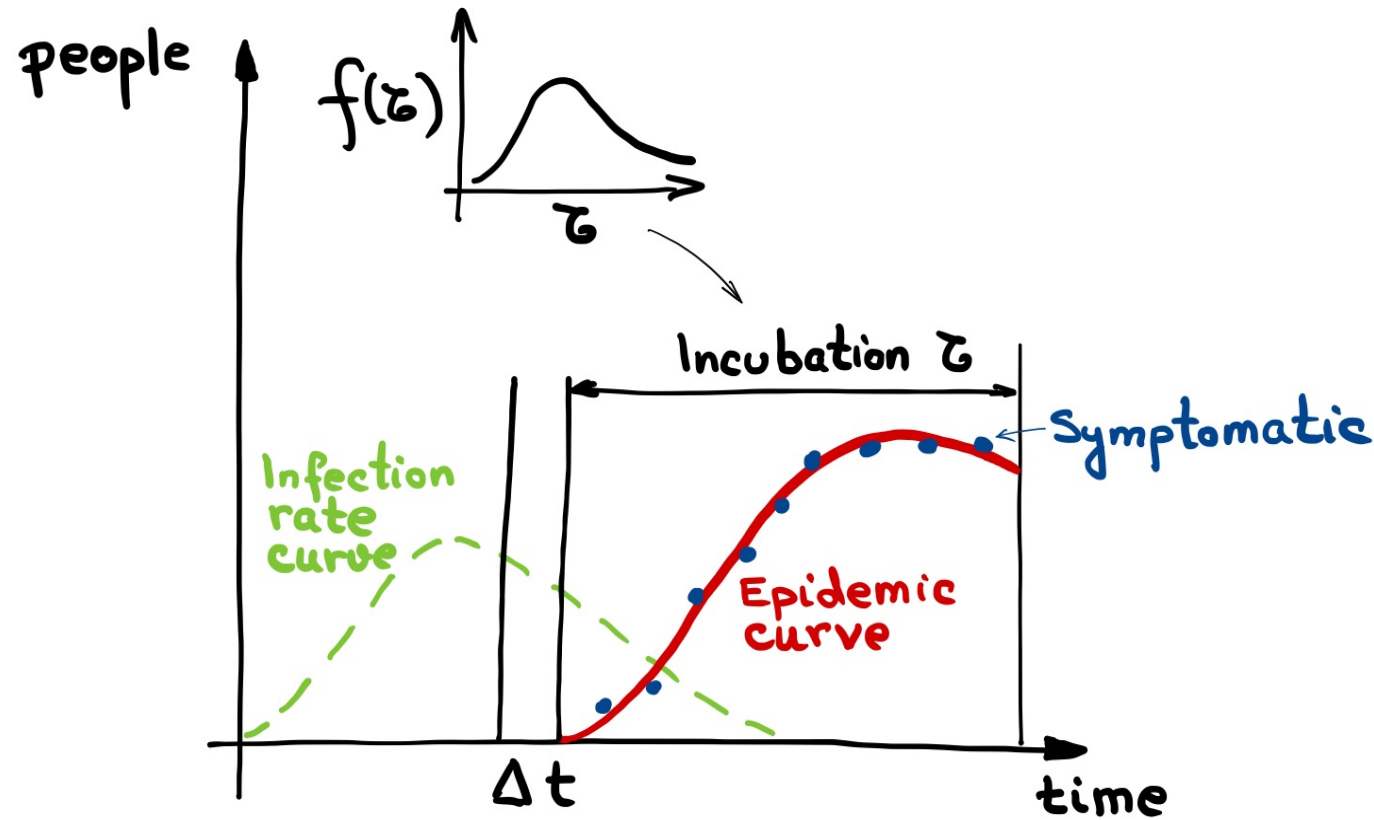
$$I(t) = I_0 e^{R_0 t}$$

[Bertozzi, 2020]





From observable reported new cases, Bayesian models infer the infection rate curve (i.e. variable replacement number R) then push forward a predictive epidemic curve.



[Safta et al, 2011]

- Infection Rate curve modeled as a Gamma distribution with unknown shape (k) and scale (θ) parameters

$$\text{InfR}(t - t_0) \sim \Gamma(k, 1/\theta)$$

- The incubation rate is modeled using a log-normal distribution with parameters based on published results [Lauer, 2020]

$$\text{IncR} \sim \text{Lognormal}(\mu(\xi_1), \sigma(\xi_2)^2)$$

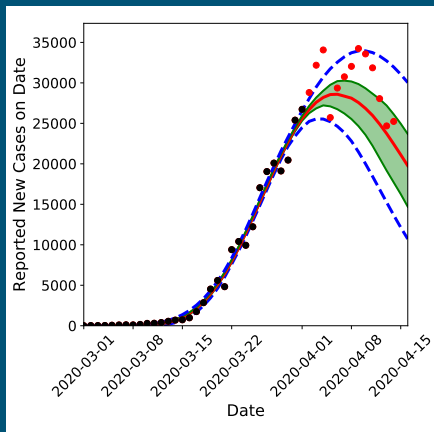
Bayesian Inference



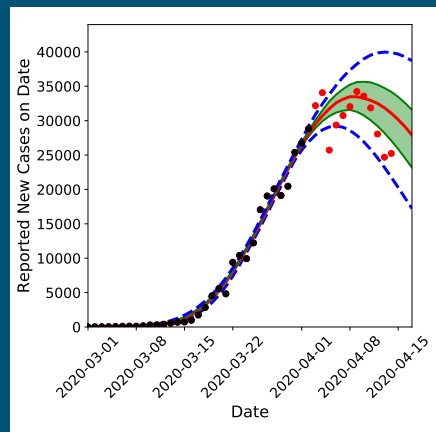
We can now learn the bend in the curve, when we start to move away from exponential growth.

Example: COVID-19 Reported Cases in U.S. from April 1st - April 14th 2020

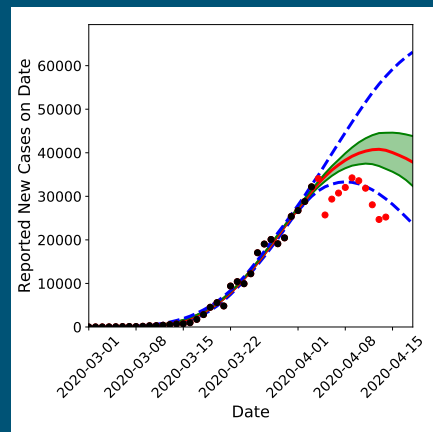
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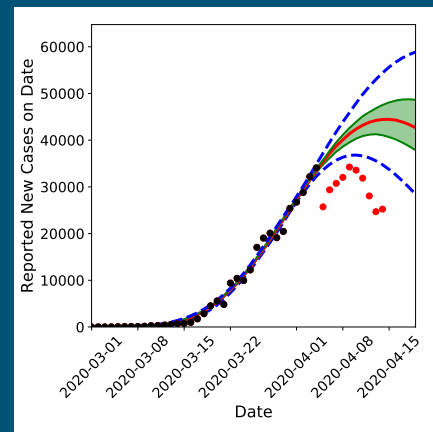
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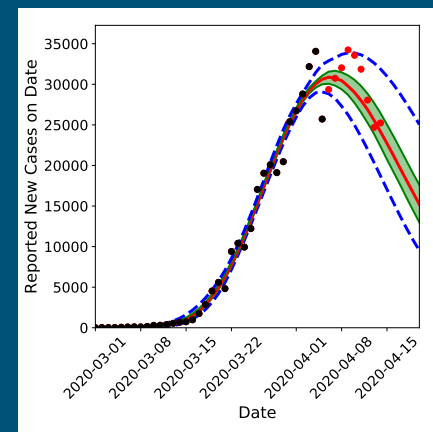
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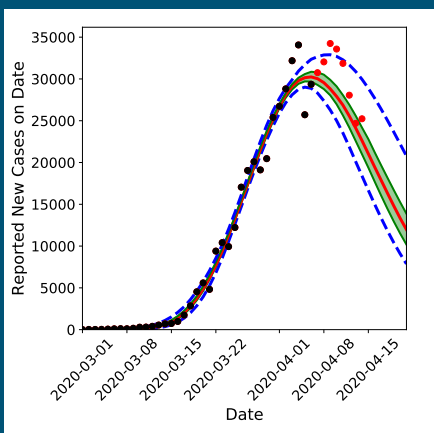
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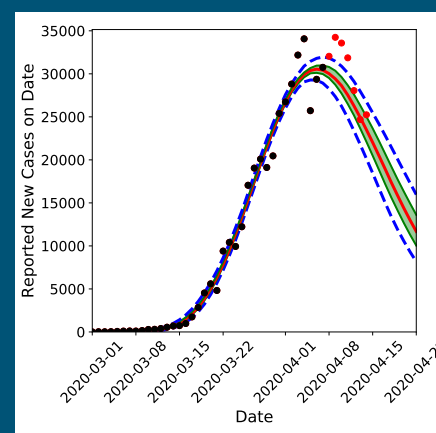
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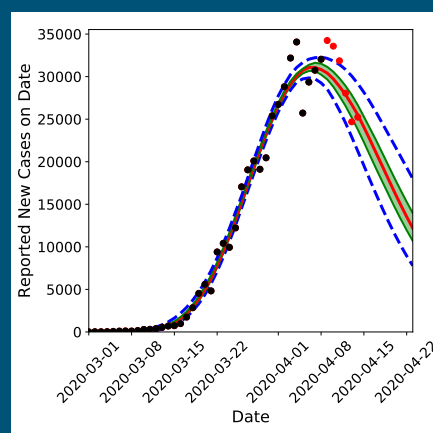
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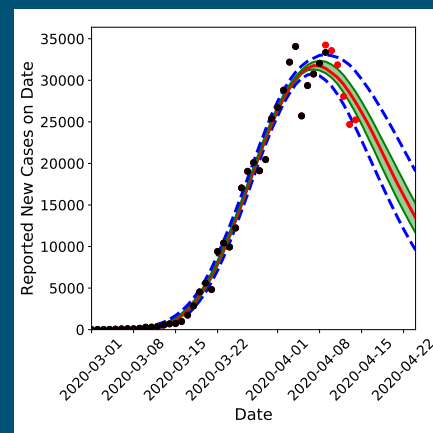
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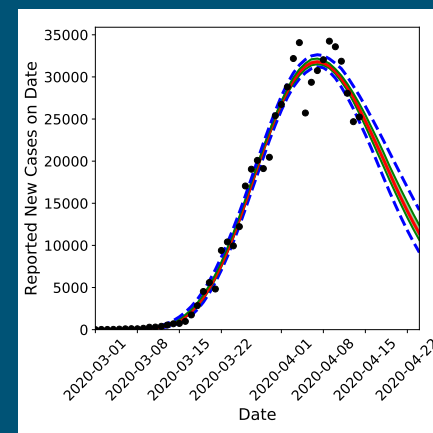
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- Black symbols show data used for model inference and to generate forecasts
- Red symbols display data observed after the forecast was produced



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[Hethcote, 2000]

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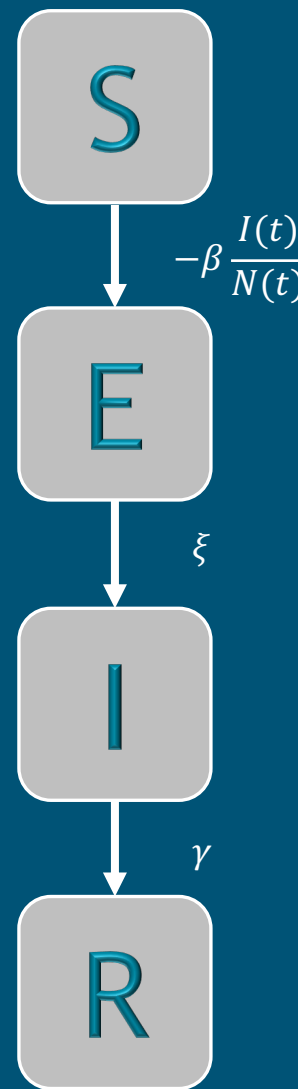
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$$\dot{R}(t) = \gamma I(t)$$

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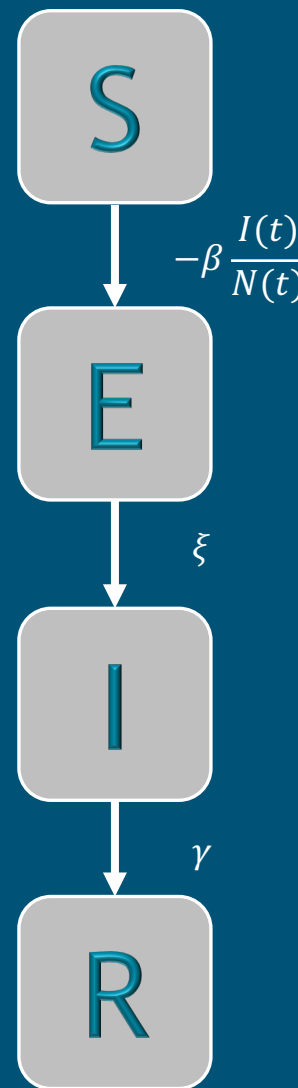
$$\dot{R}(t) = \gamma I(t)$$

$$\text{Model } R_0 = \beta \frac{1}{\gamma}$$

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Compartmental Model: a little more detailed

[Hethcote, 2000]

Susceptible-Exposed-Infected(Asymptomatic)
-Infected(Symptomatic)-Recovered

System of ordinary differential equations (ODEs):

[Note: at times we drop the state dependence on time, for simplified notation]

$$\dot{S} = -\beta c \frac{A+I}{N} S + \zeta R$$

$$\dot{E} = \beta c \frac{A+I}{N} S - (\xi_{EA} + \xi_{EI}) E$$

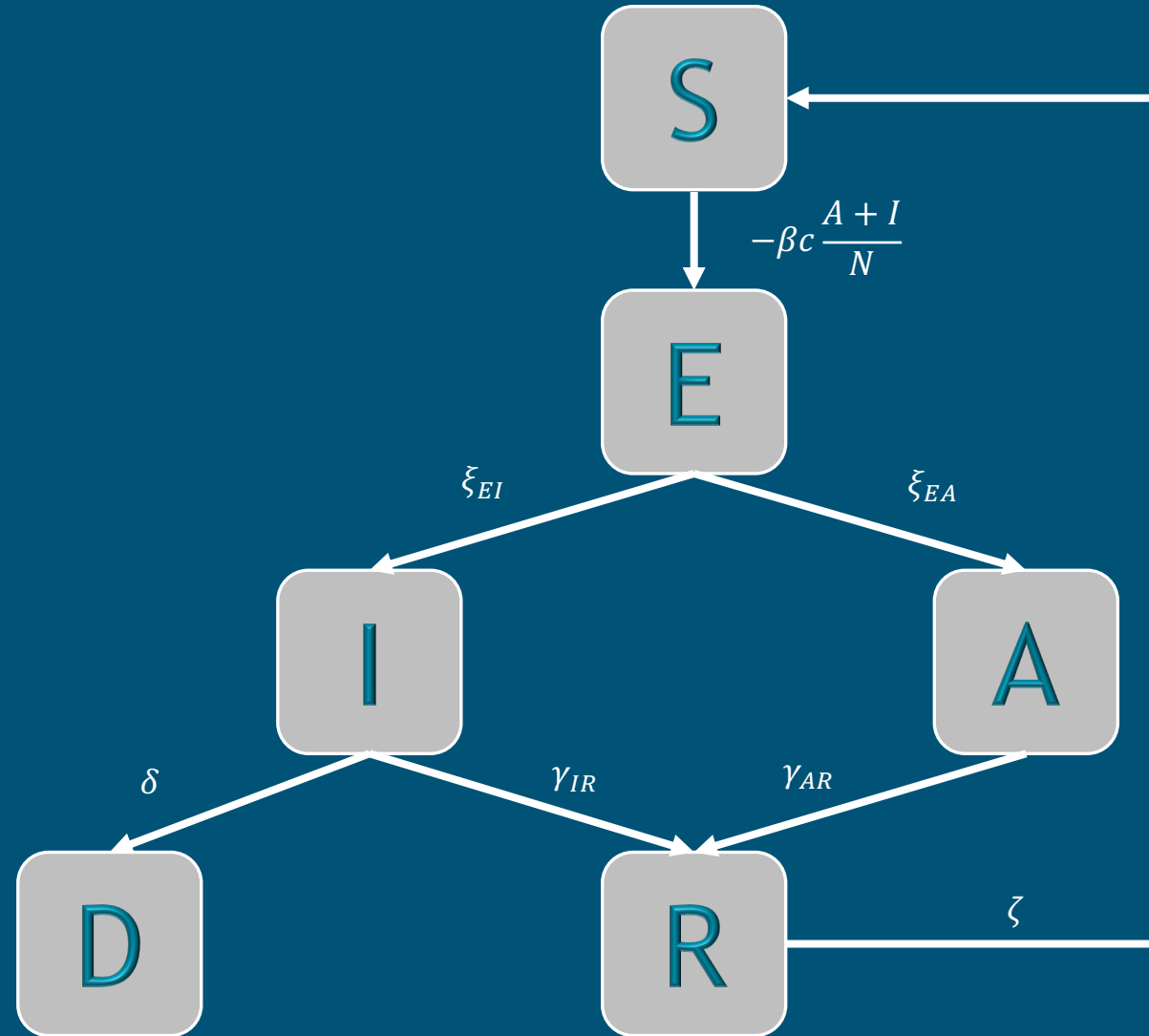
$$\dot{A} = \xi_{EA} E - \gamma_{AR} A$$

$$\dot{I} = \xi_{EI} E - \gamma_{IR} I - \delta I$$

$$\dot{R} = \gamma_{AR} A + \gamma_{IR} I - \zeta R$$

$$\dot{D} = \delta I$$

Model $R_0 = ??$



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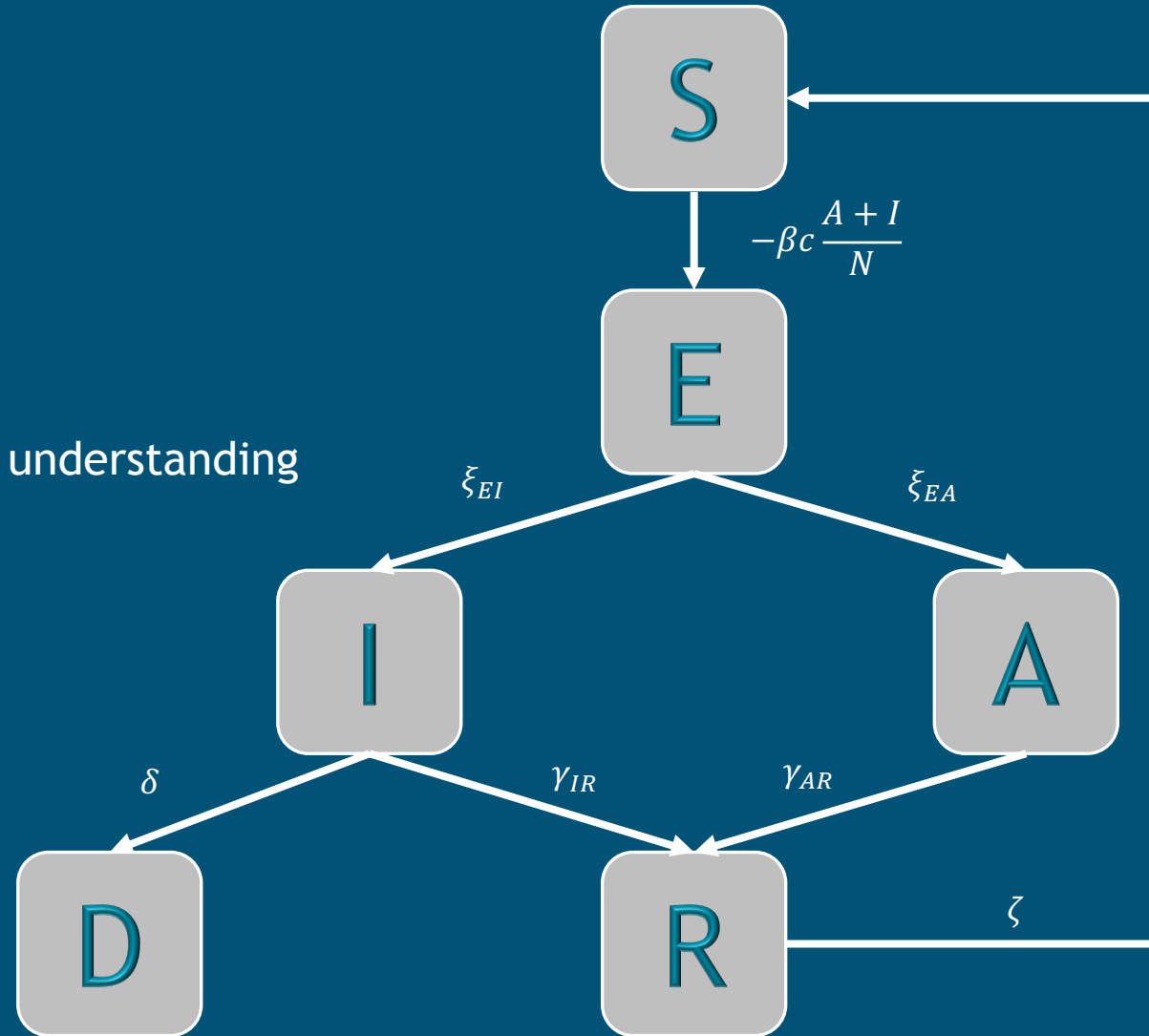
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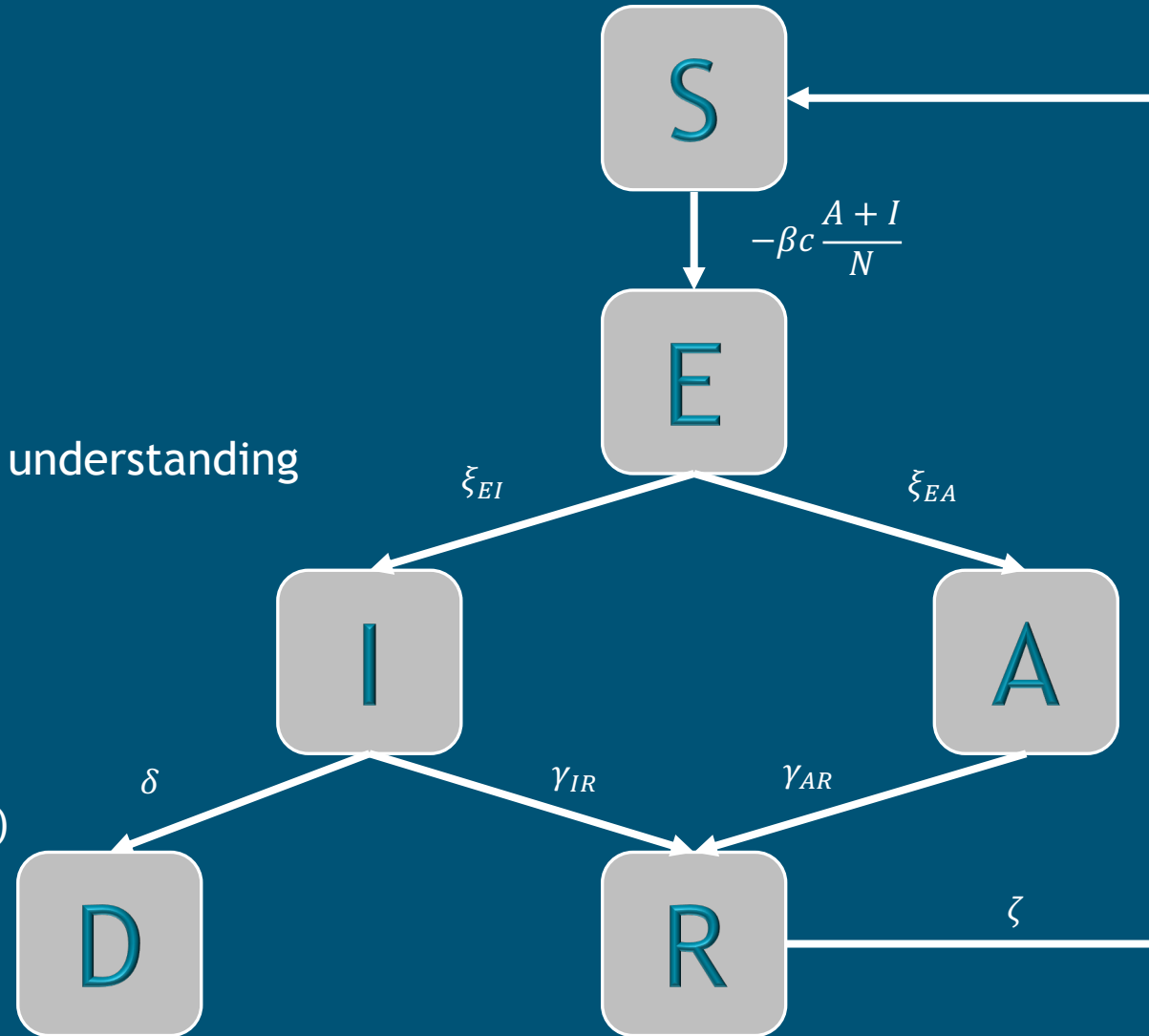
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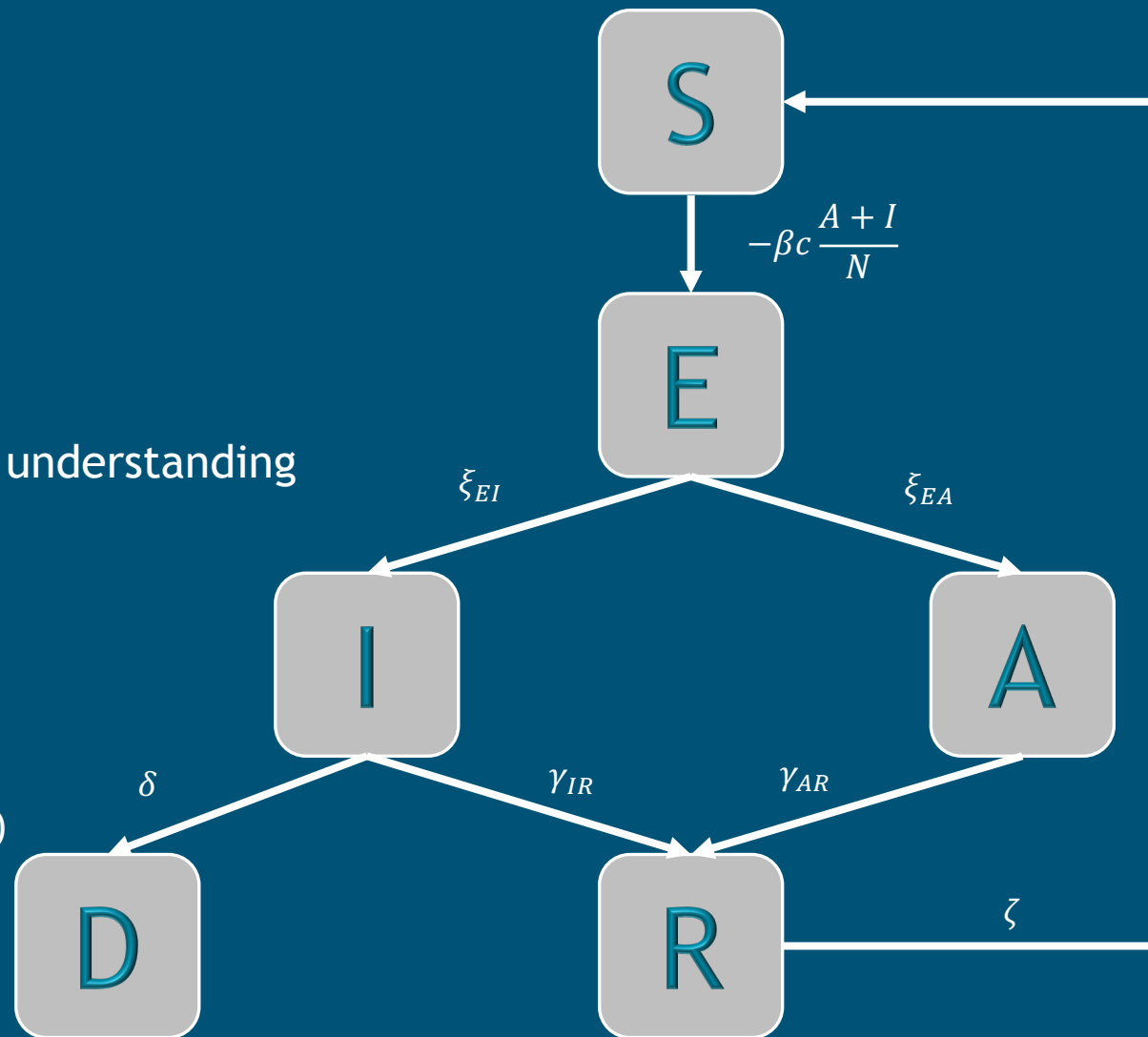
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BUT... our new force of infection function also has:

- c : average number of daily contacts
- $A(t)$: Asymptomatic-Infectious population

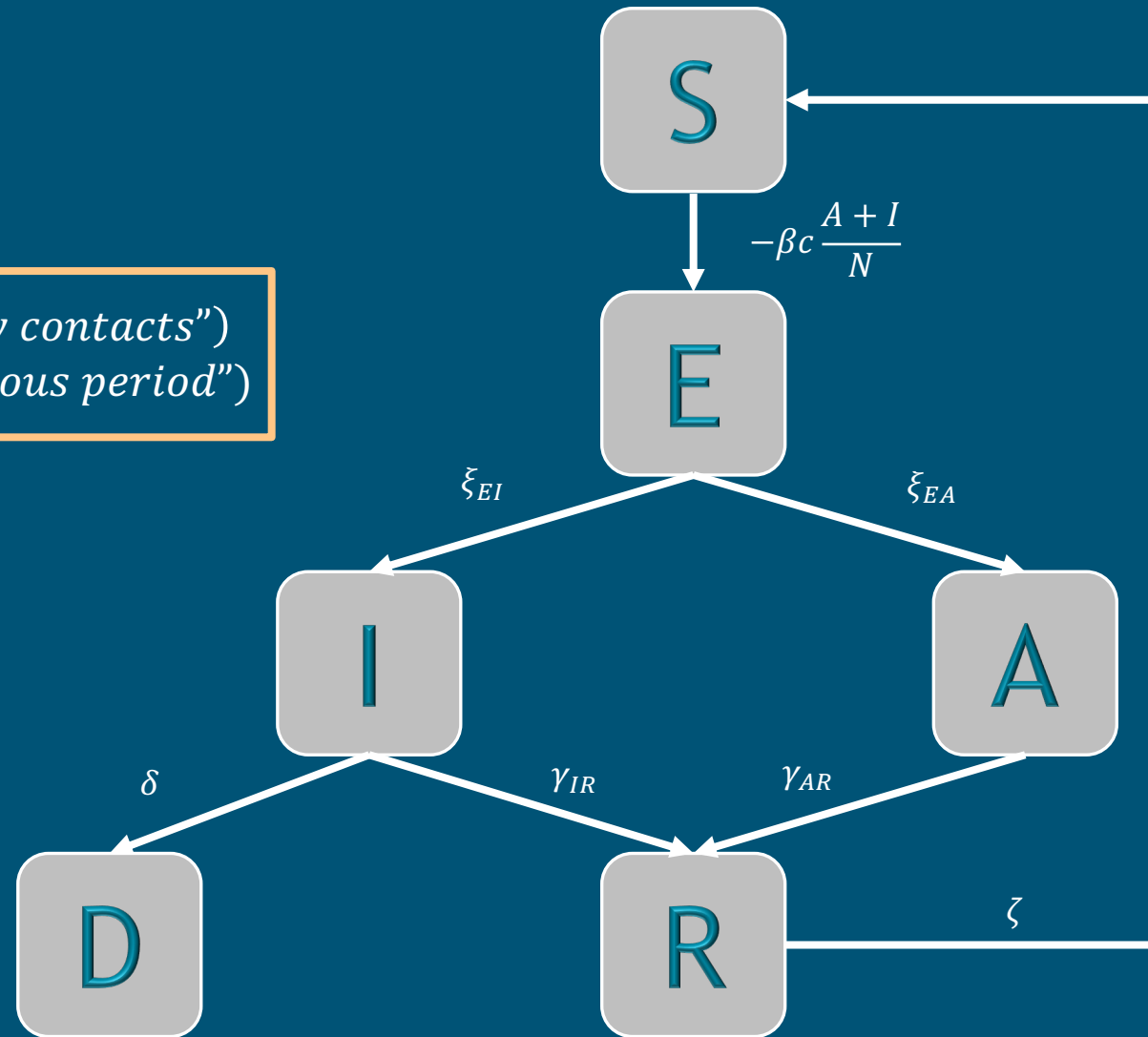


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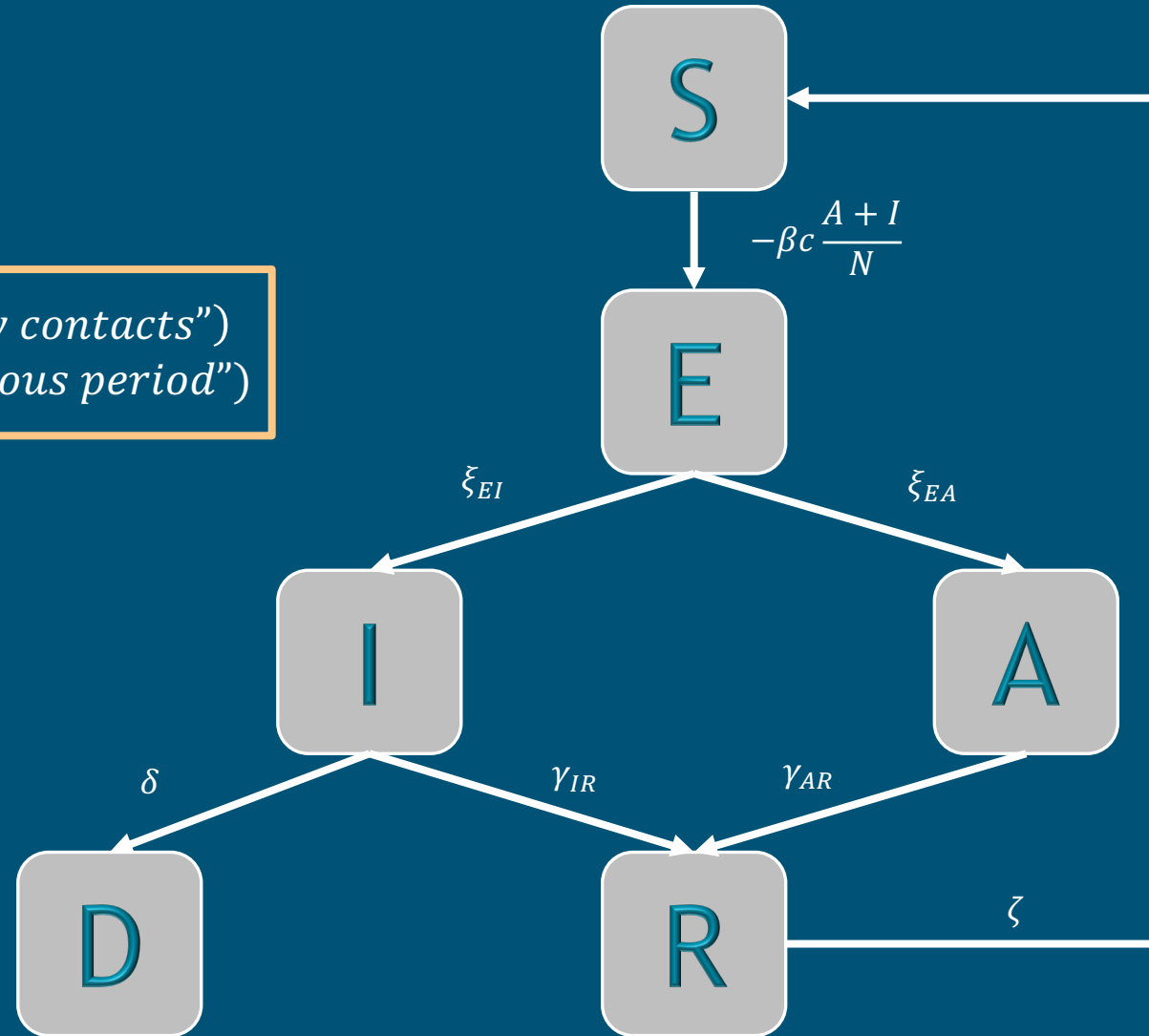
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So what is the “average infectious period”?

We need to first understand

- Residence Time and
- Population Flow Fractions.



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Residence Time and Population Flow Fraction through "Exposure"

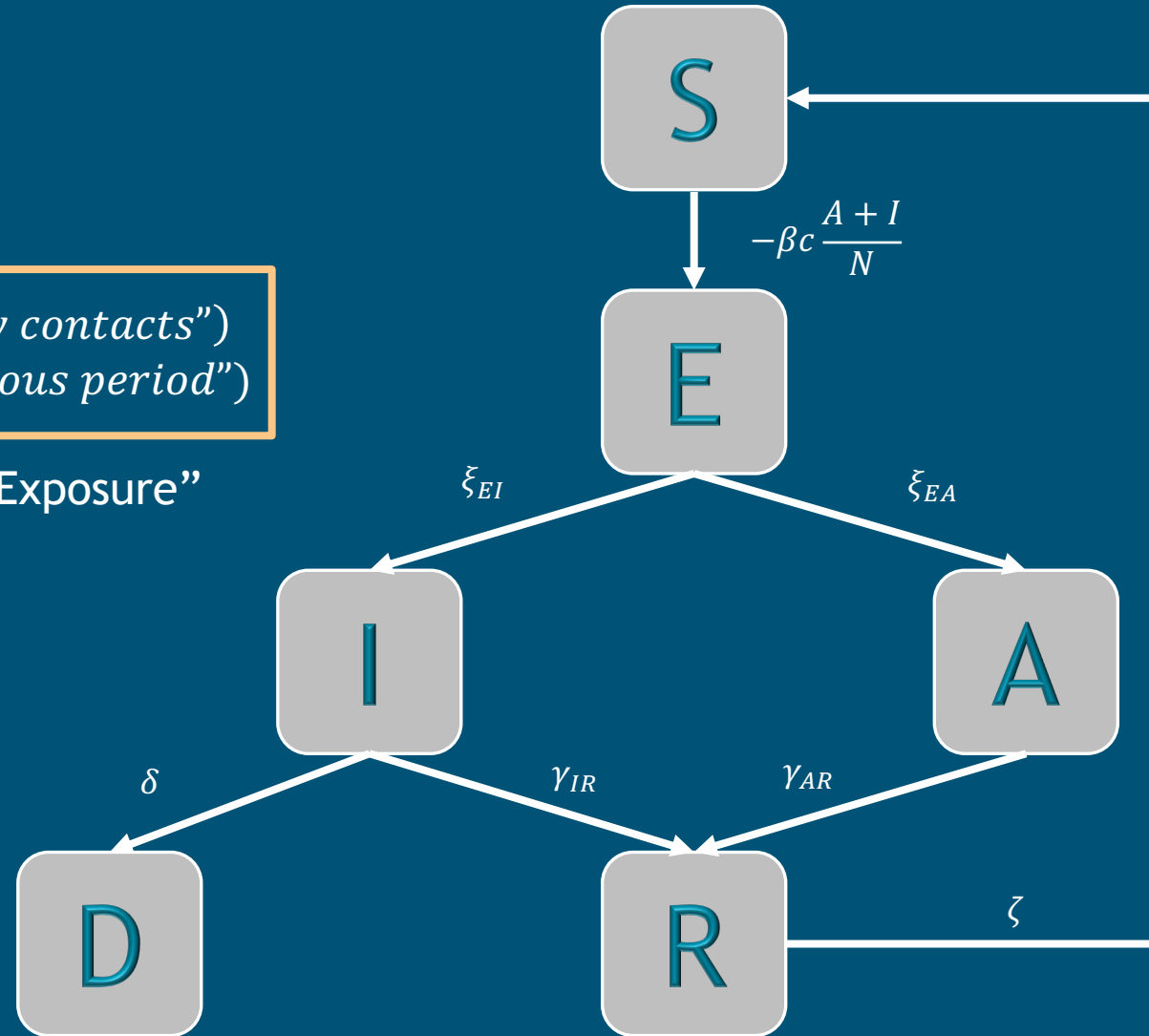
- Residence time in "Exposure": $\frac{1}{\xi_{EI} + \xi_{EA}}$

- Fraction "Symptomatic Population" :

$$f_I = \frac{\xi_{EI}}{\xi_{EI} + \xi_{EA}}$$

- Fraction "Asymptomatic Population" :

$$(1 - f_I) = \frac{\xi_{EA}}{\xi_{EI} + \xi_{EA}}$$



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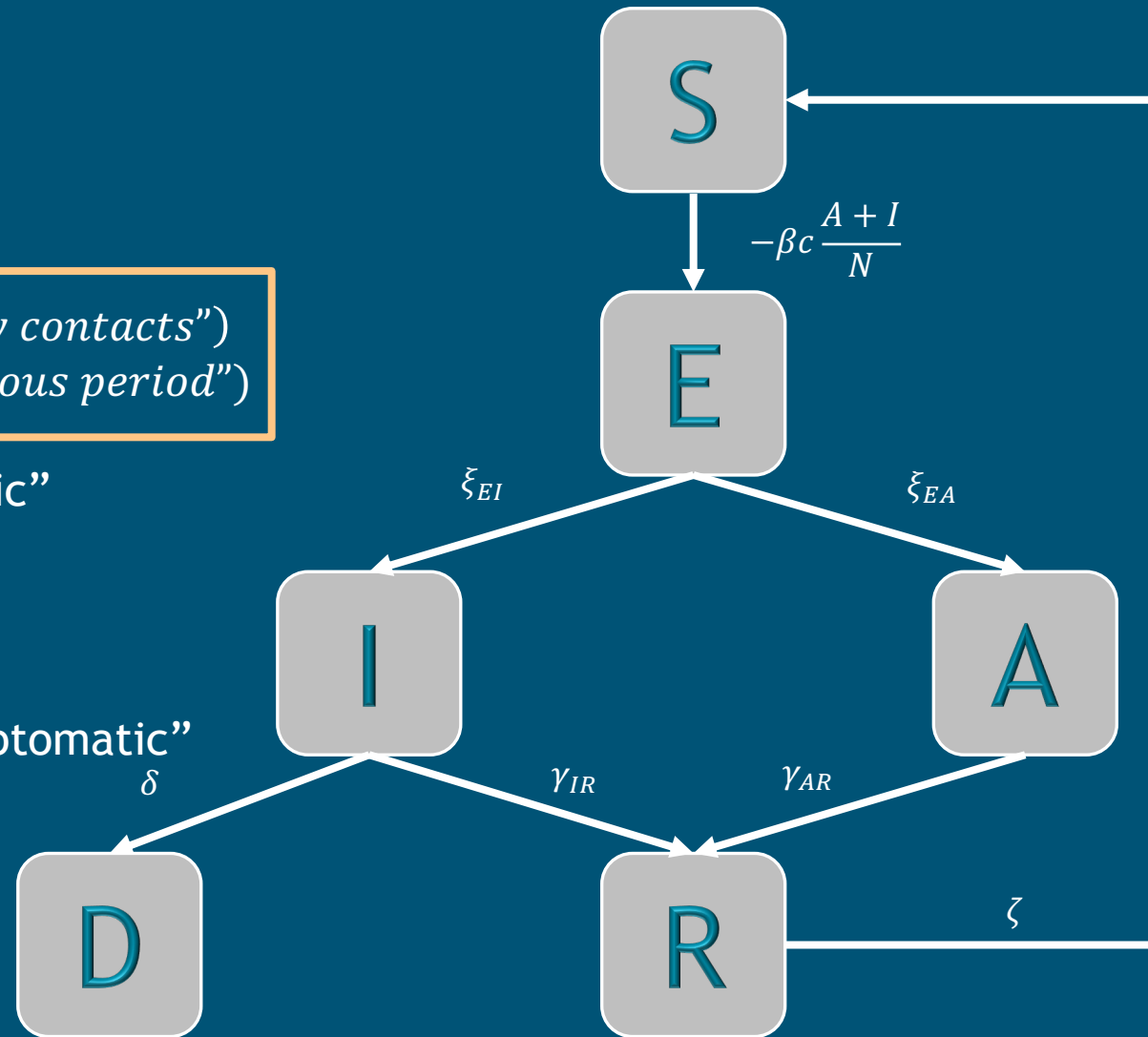
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- Residence time "Asymptomatic": $\frac{1}{\gamma_{AR}}$



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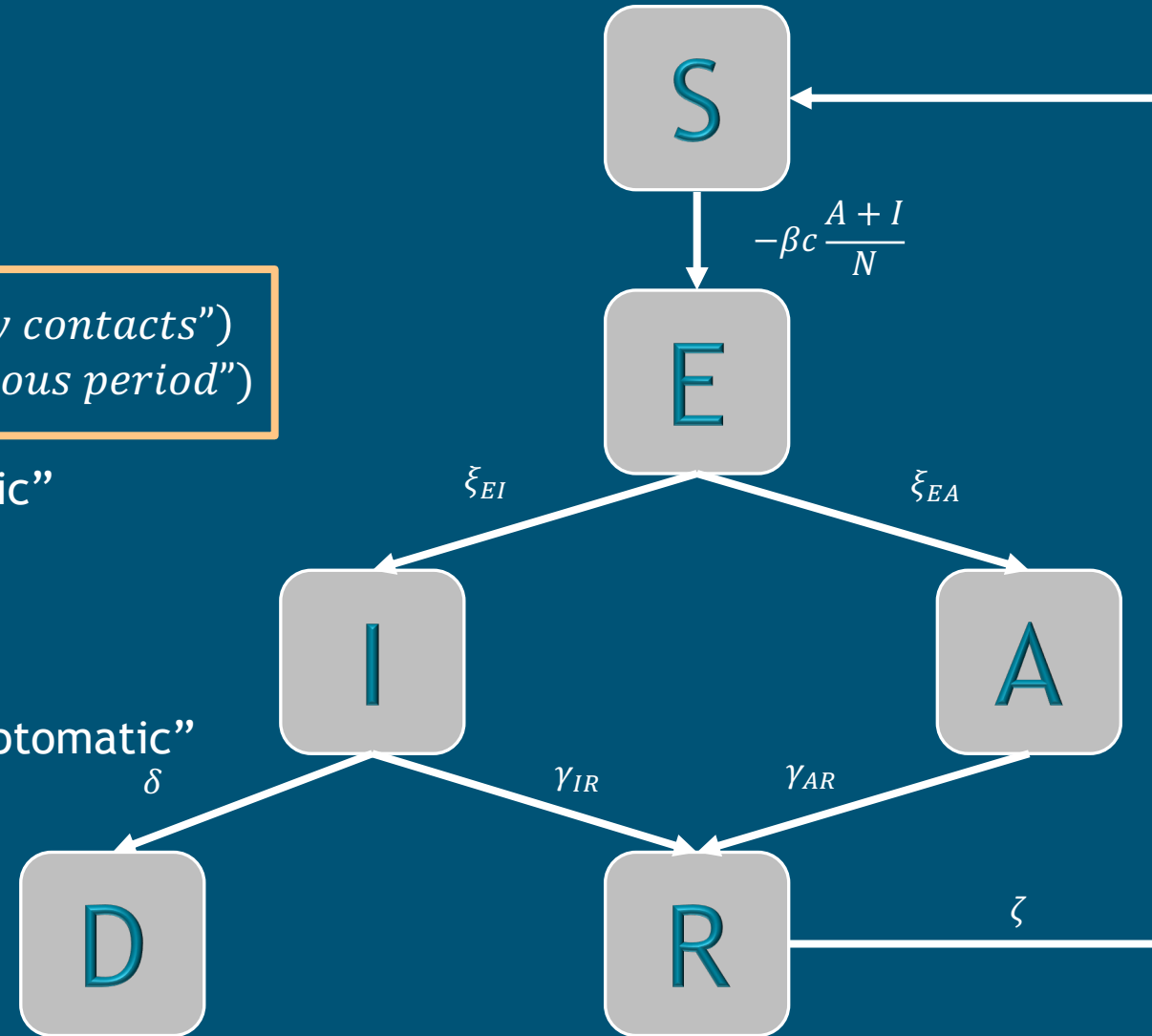
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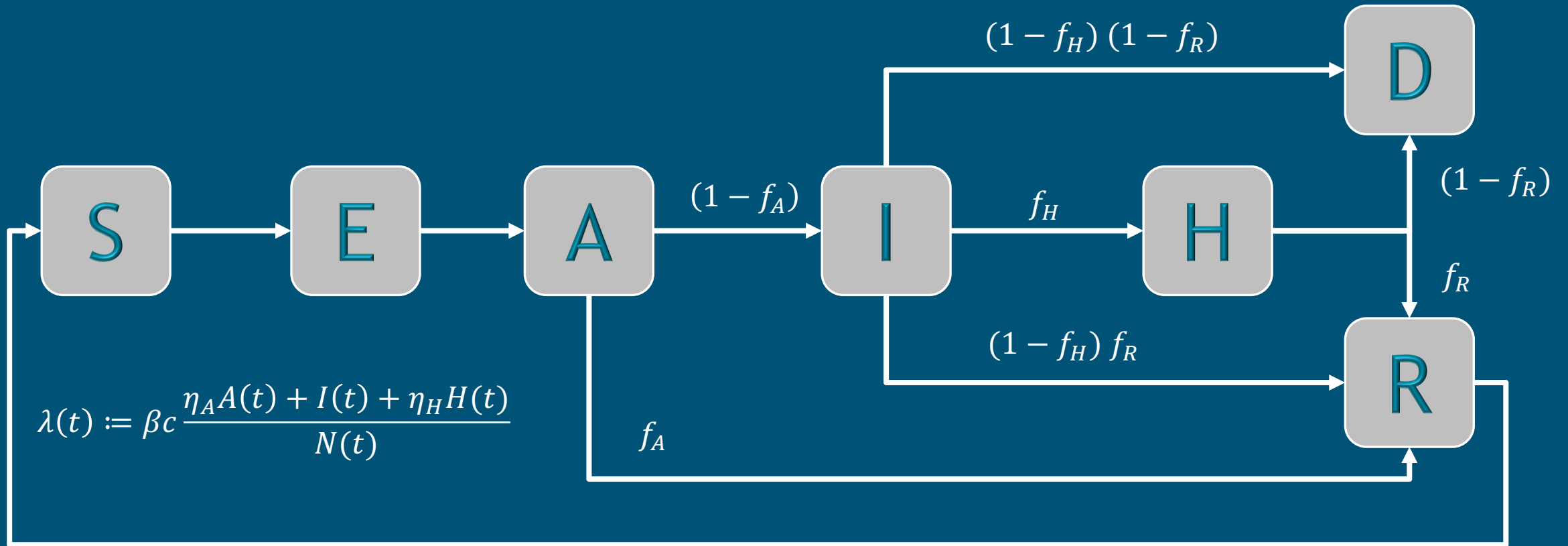
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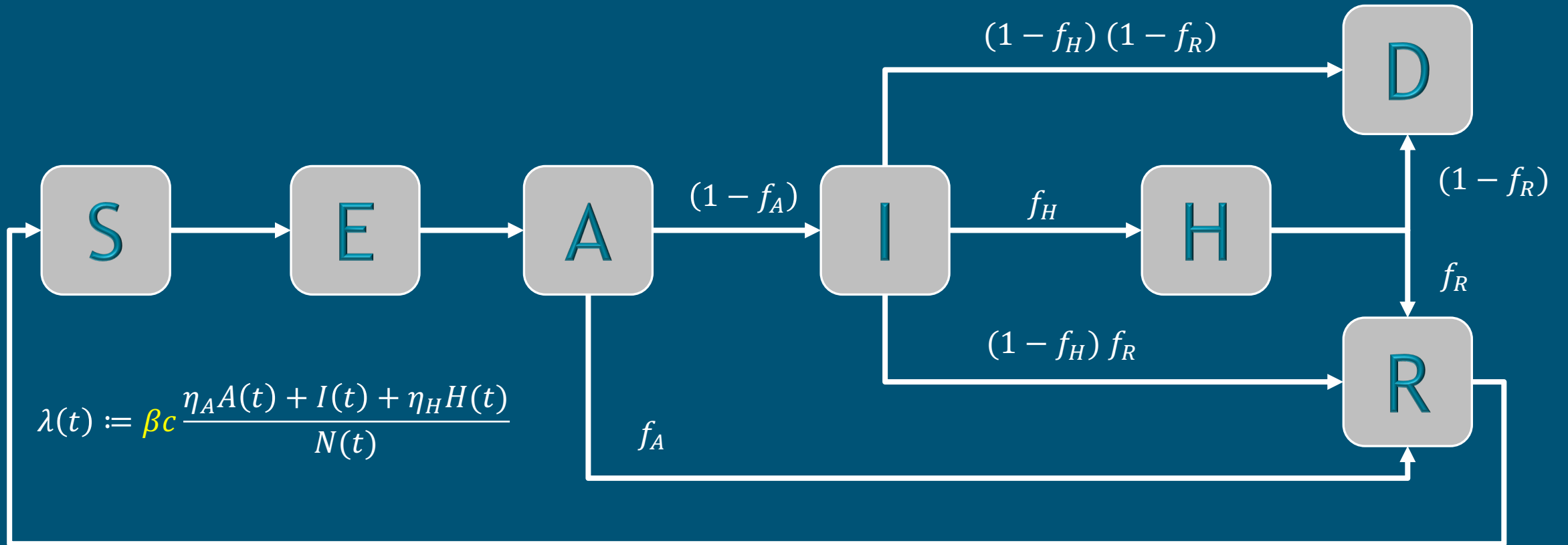
$$R_0 = \beta c \left(f_I \left(\frac{1}{\delta + \gamma_{IR}} \right) + (1 - f_I) \left(\frac{1}{\gamma_{AR}} \right) \right)$$





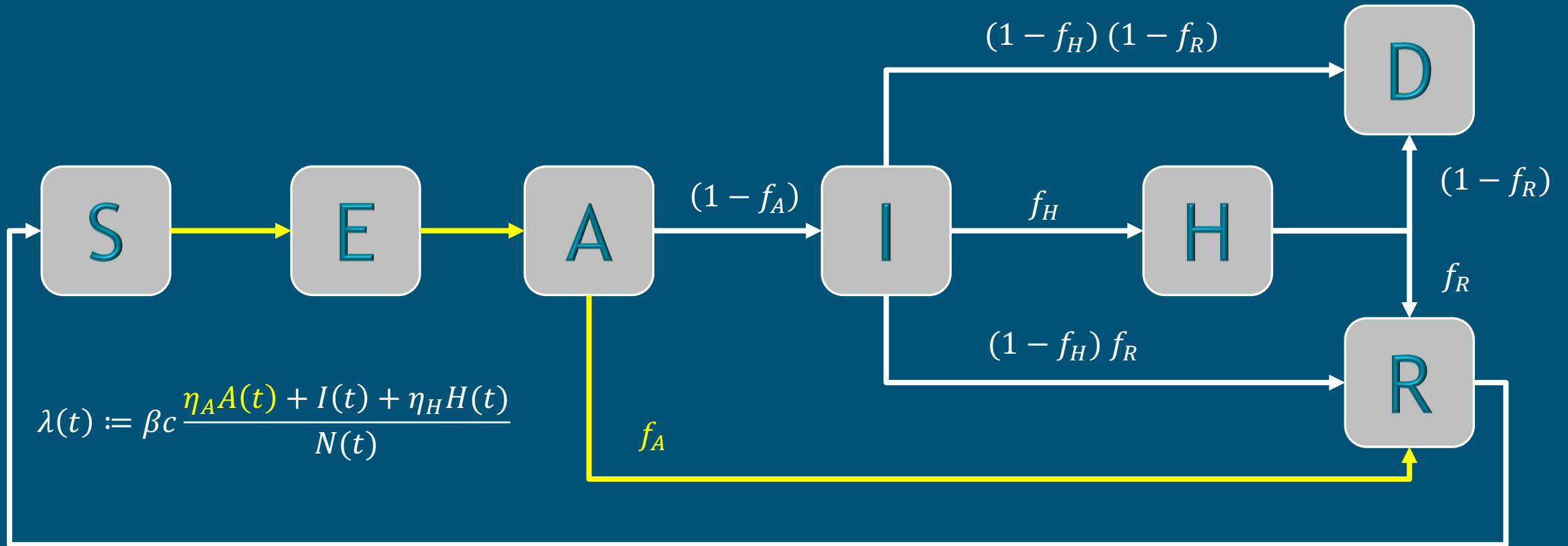
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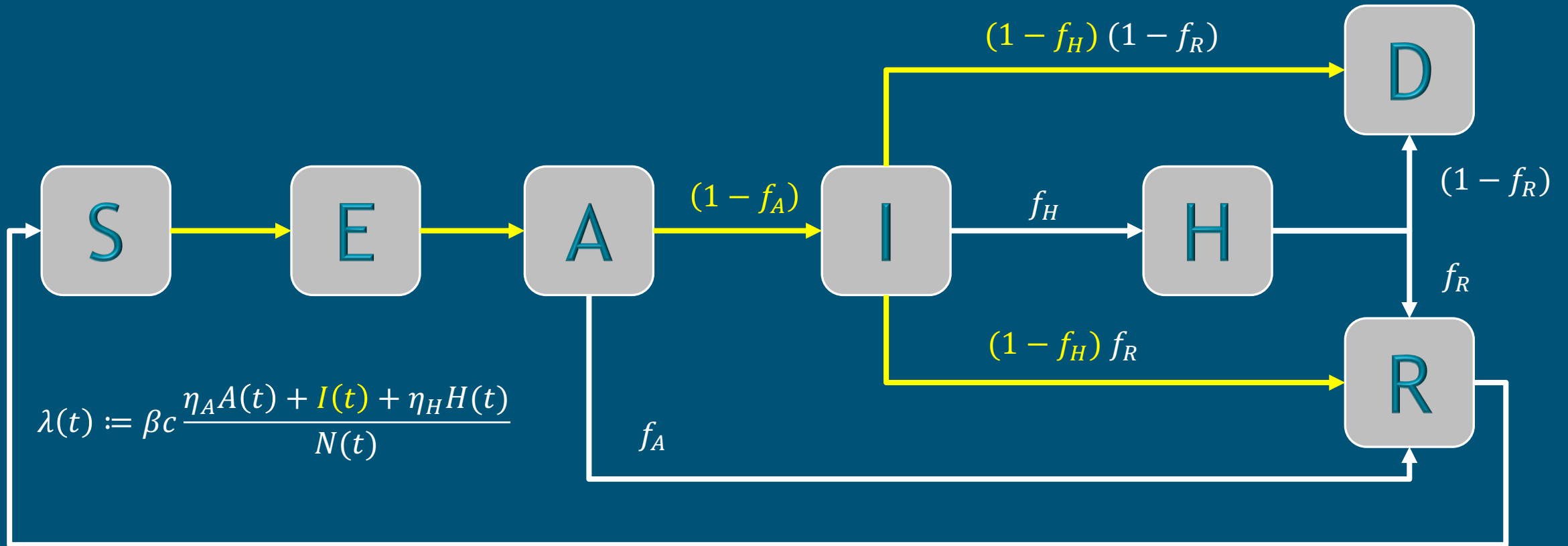
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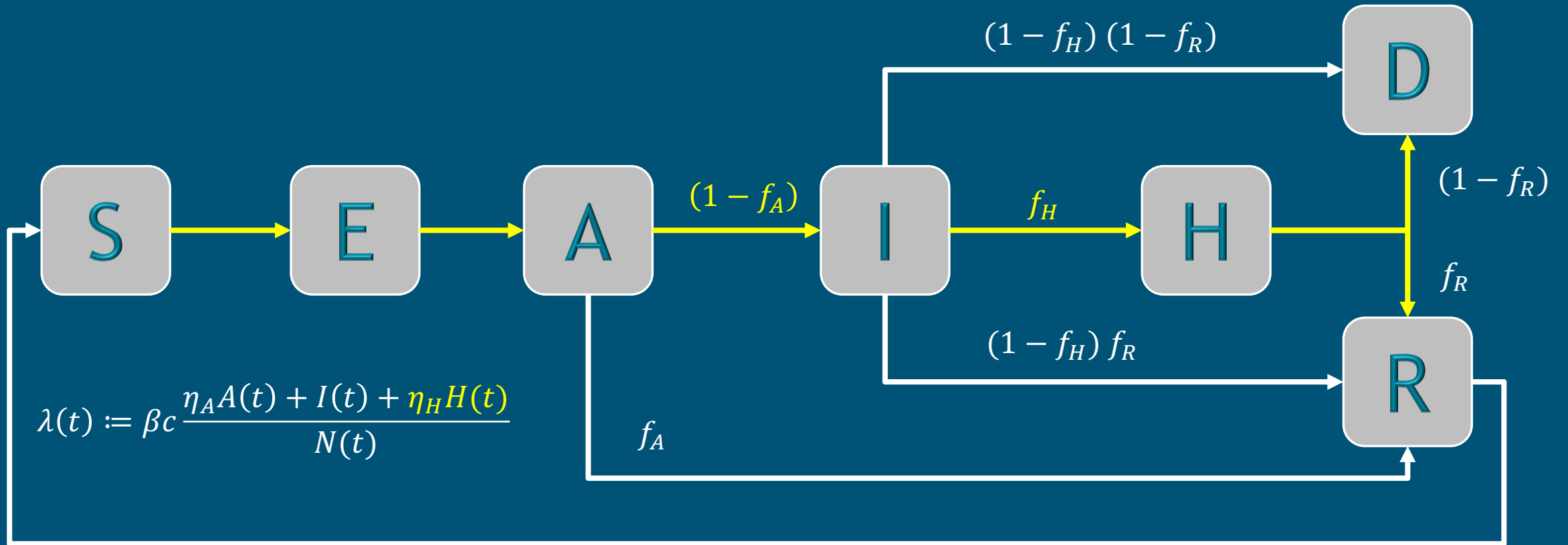
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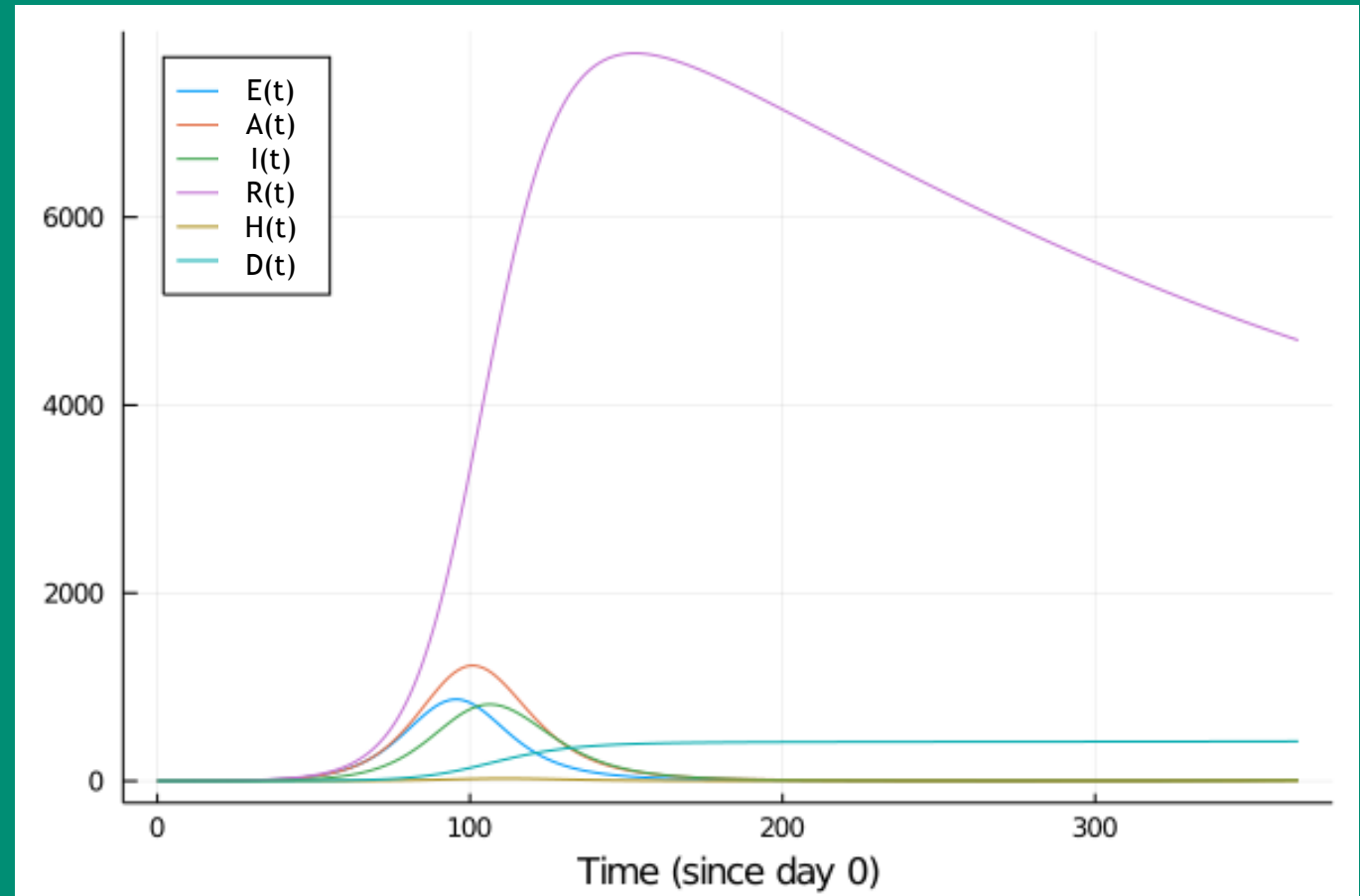
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η_A	0.75	T_A	6	f_A	0.3
		T_I	6		
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State Trajectories:



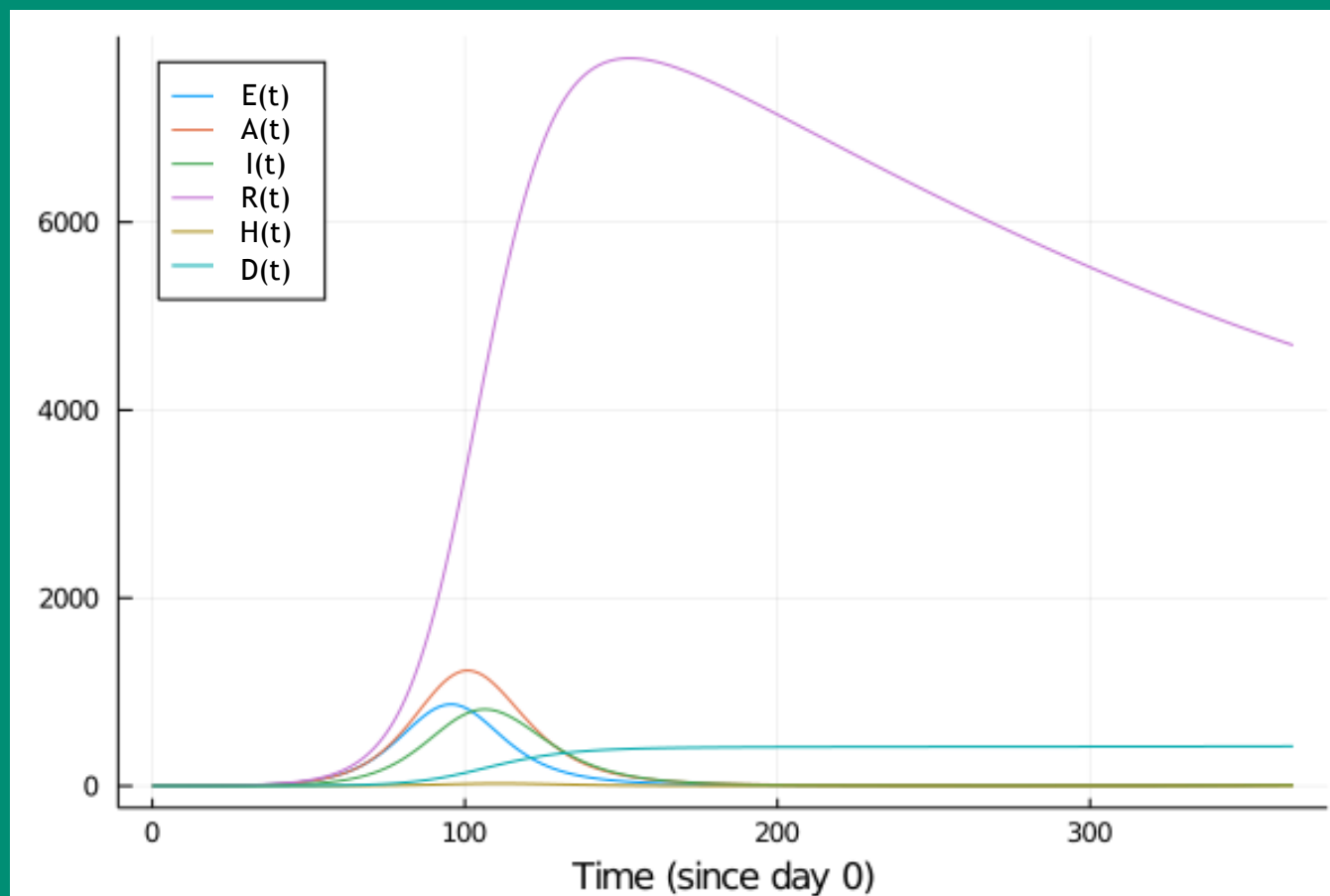
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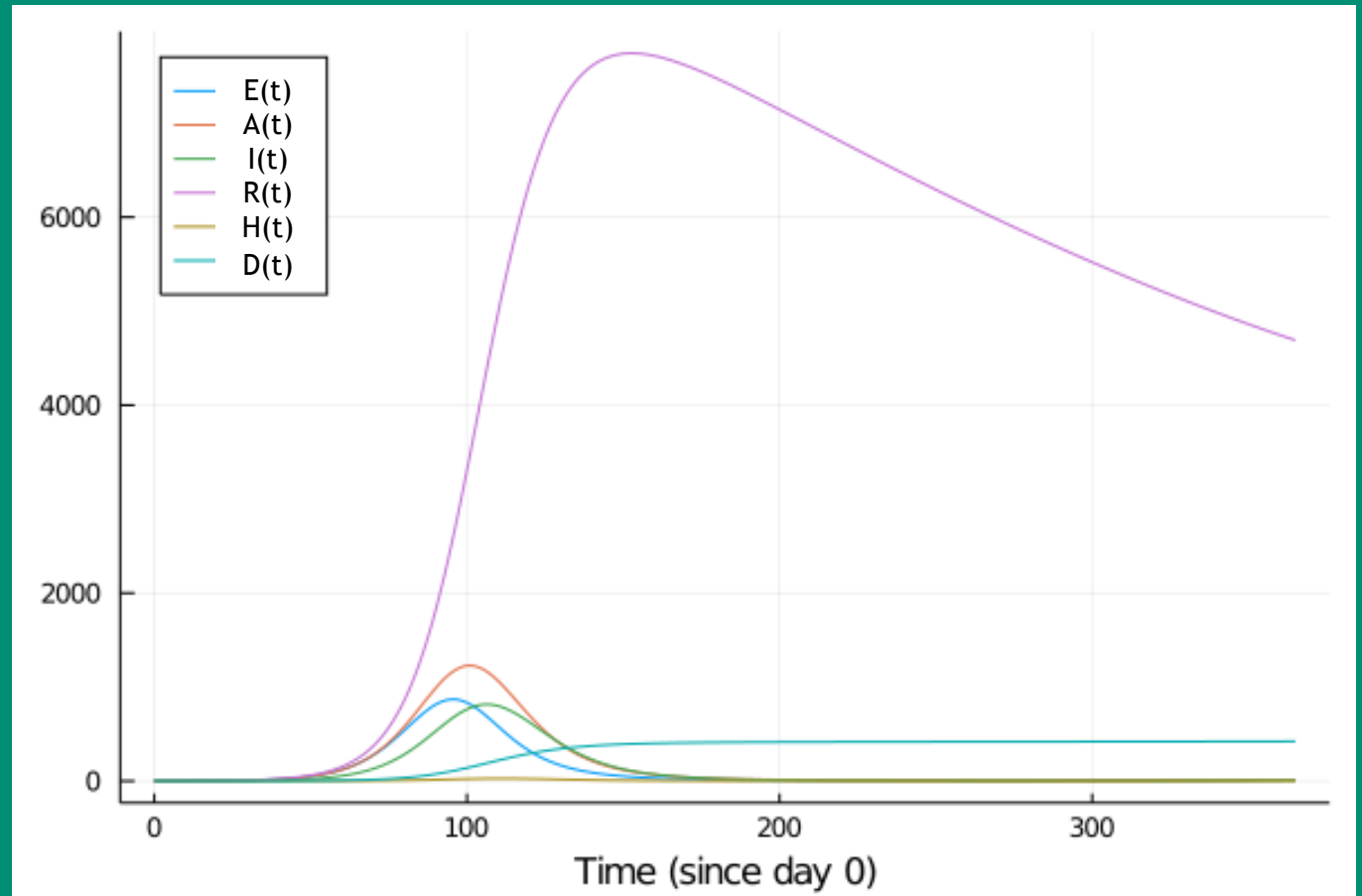
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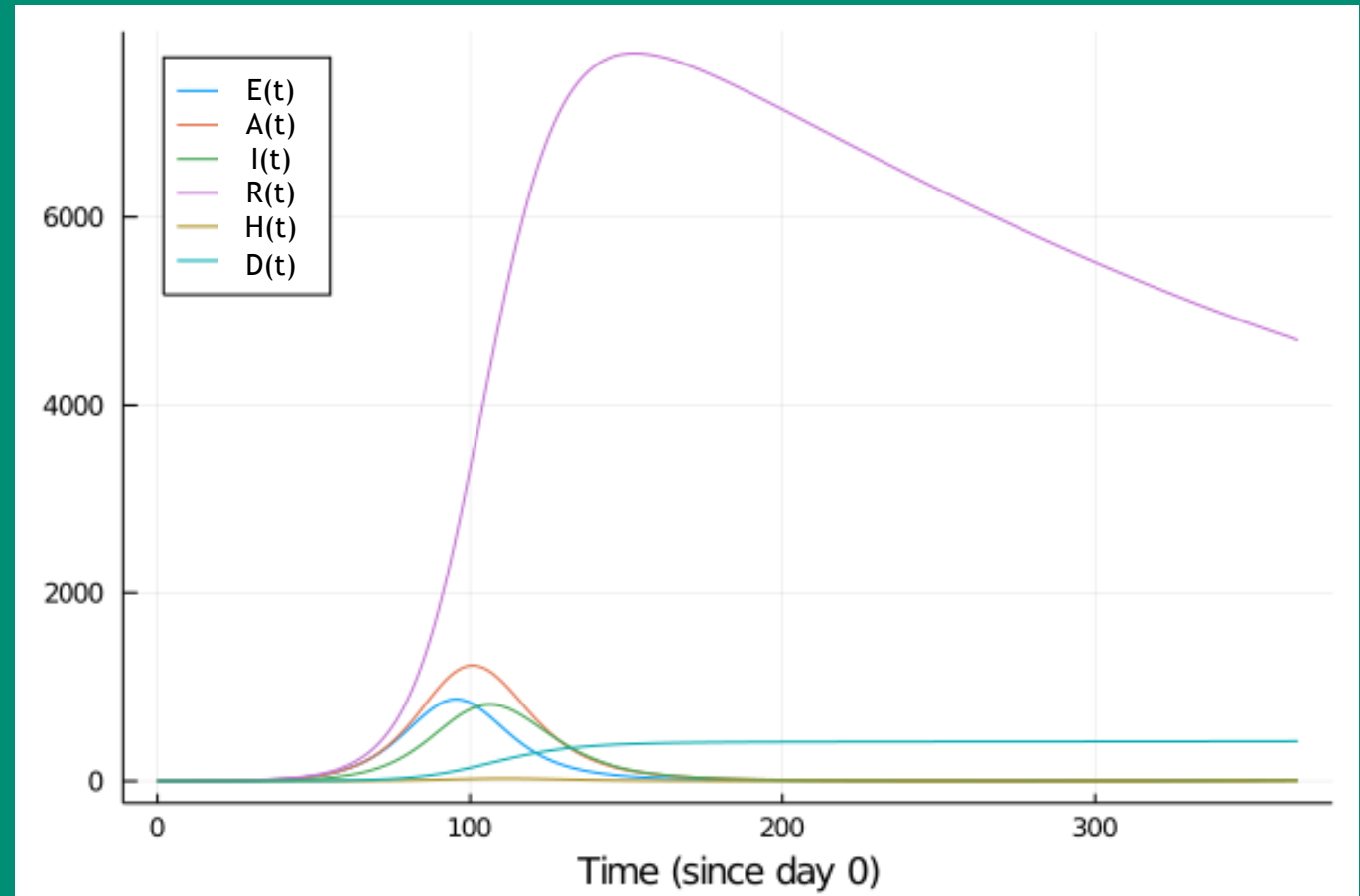
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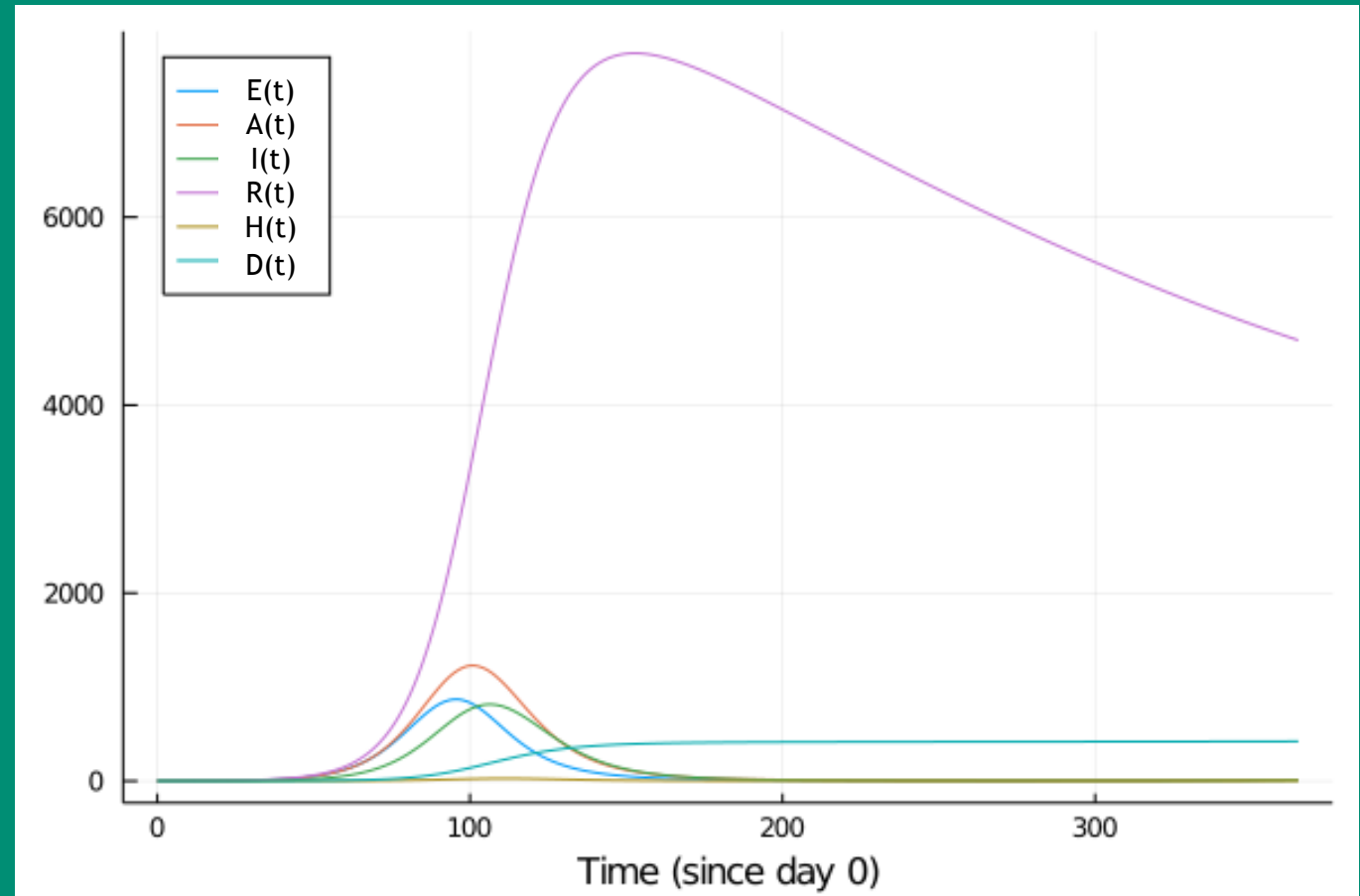
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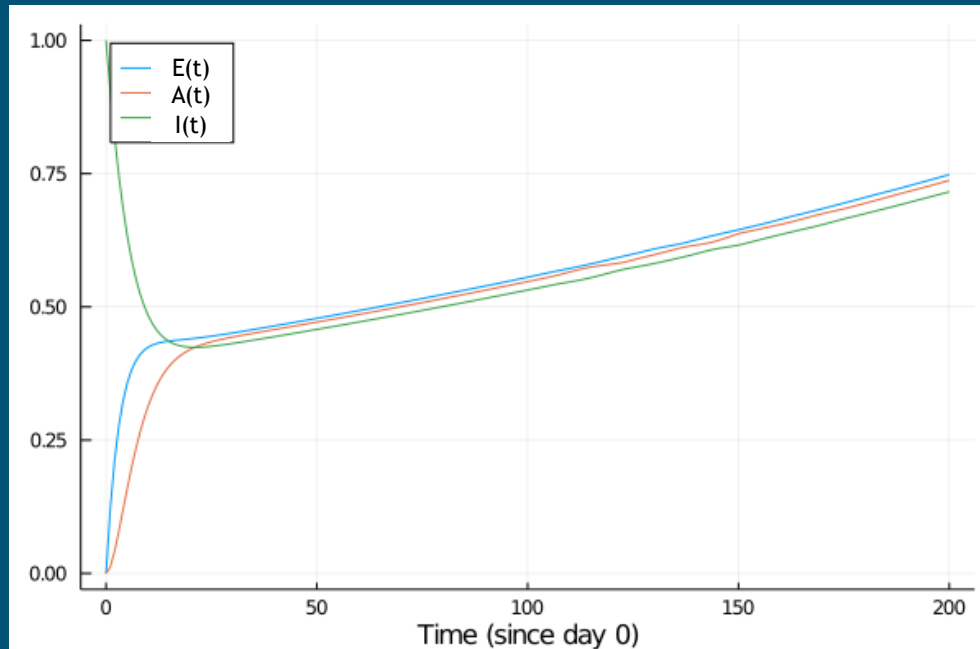
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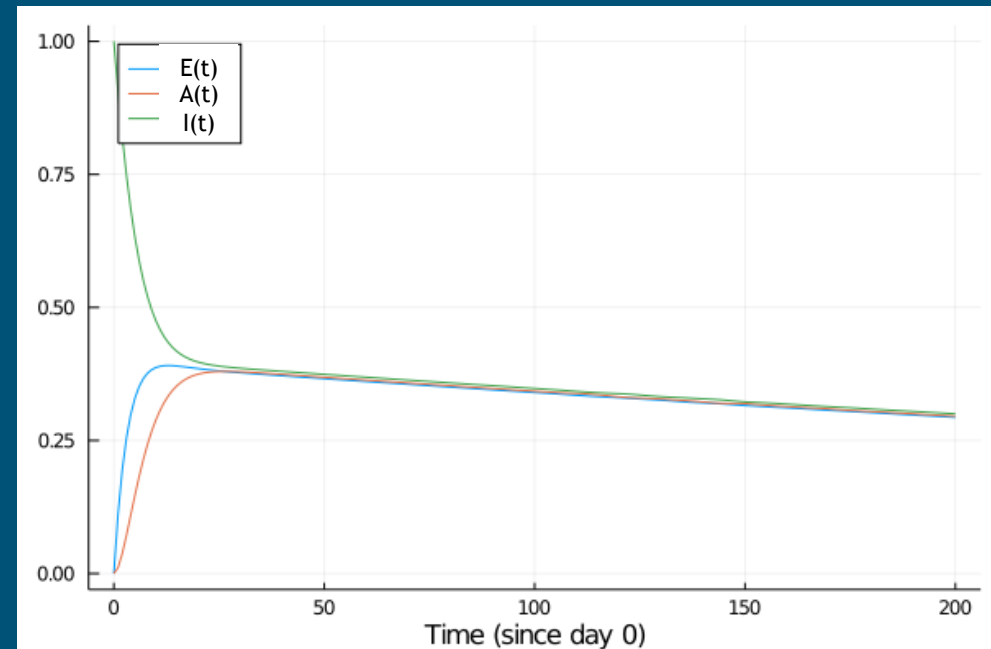
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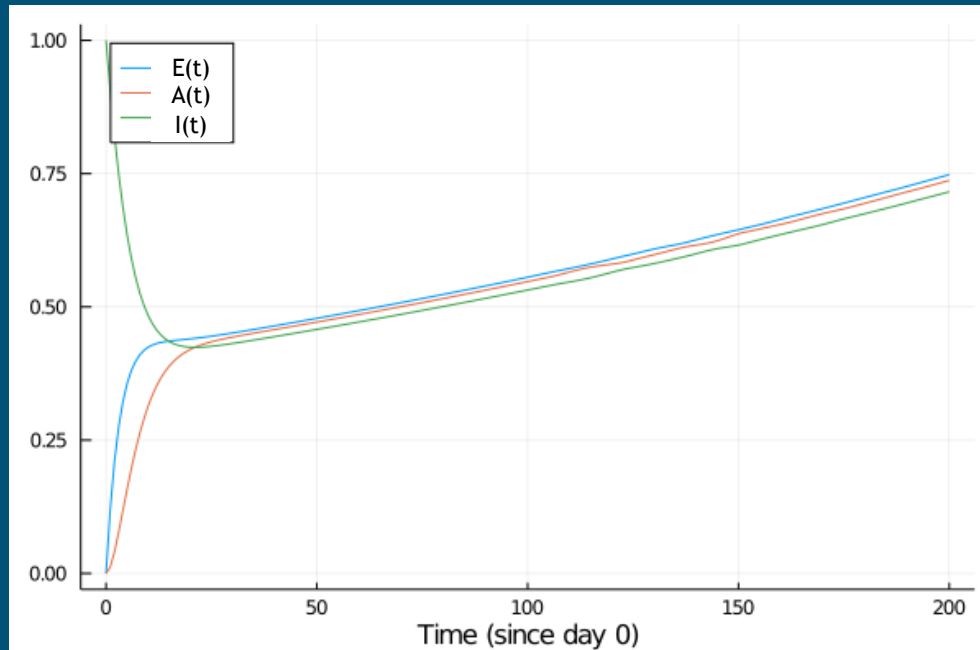
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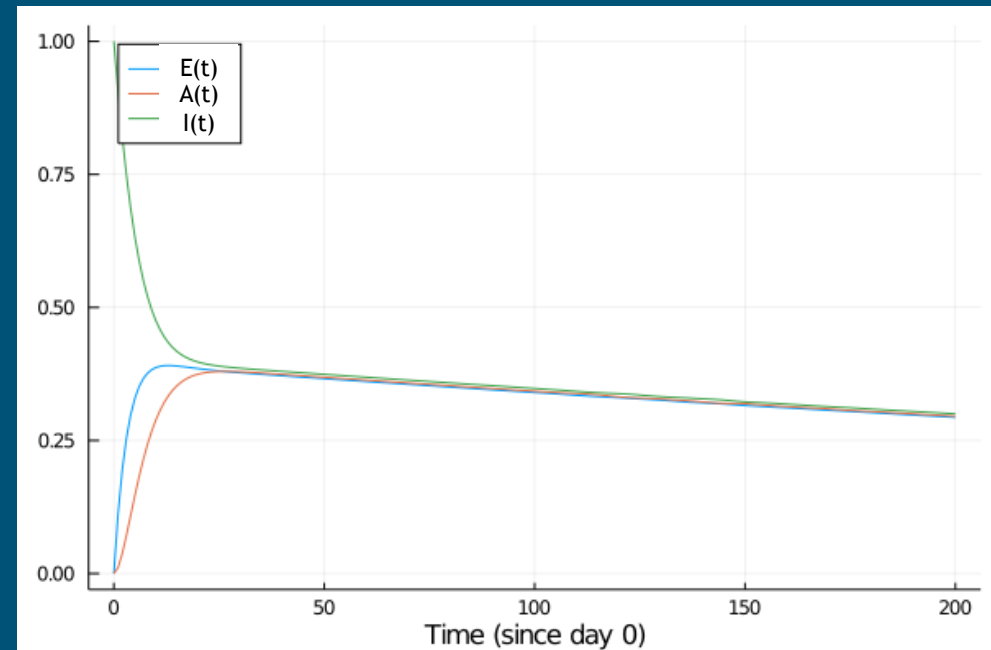
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C	3
R_0	0.984128



A subtle change in β alone can make all the difference in whether or not we simulate a persistent disease or a controlled disease



Quantity of Interest (QoI):

Our analysis needs to target a particular output of our model (e.g. R_0 , $\max(H(t))$)

Forward Uncertainty Quantification:

With a measured uncertainty coming from the nominal values in our parameterizations, we want to measure the uncertainty of our QoI.

Uncertainty in our context is measured by the variance in our model inputs (parameters) and outputs (QoIs)

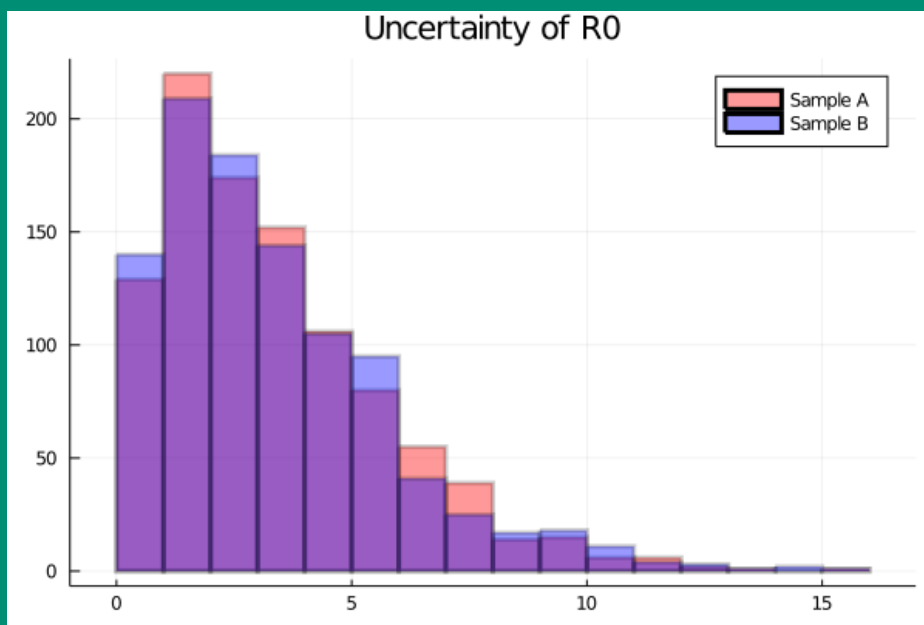
Global Sensitivity Analysis:

When the uncertainty of our QoI is high, it is often the case that we want to determine what sources of uncertainty are the most influential.

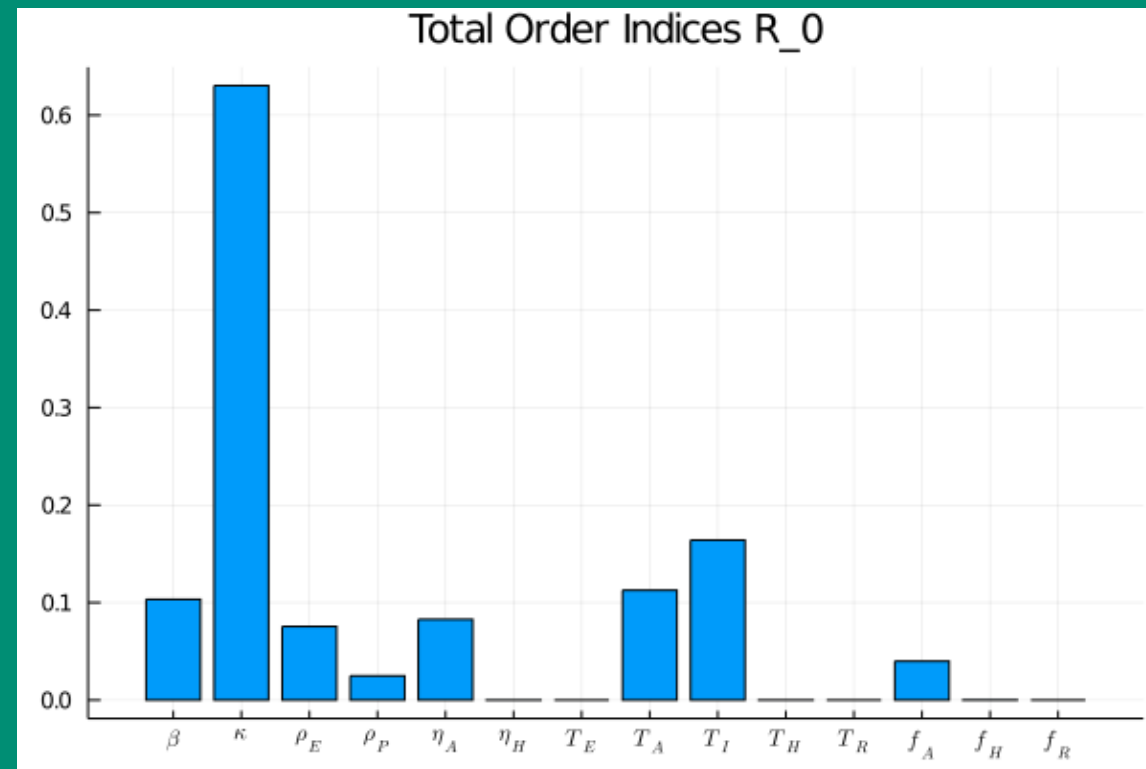
What is the sensitivity of our QoI with respect to the parameter uncertainties.

Parameter Uniform Uncertainties:

β	[0.06, 0.12]	T_E	[3, 5]		
η_A	[0.25, 1.0]	T_A	[2, 14]	f_A	[0.15, 0.5]
c	[0.5, 7.5]	T_I	[5, 20]		
η_H	[0.005, 0.1]	T_H	[2, 25]	f_H	[0.01, 0.07]
ρ_E	[0.2, 0.8]	ρ_P	[0.4, 0.85]		
		T_R	[210, 600]	f_R	[0.9, 0.99]

 R_0 Uncertainty:

Quasi-Monte Carlo Simulations were run to measure forward UQ

Parameter Influence* on R_0 Uncertainty:

Sobol' indices were derived using Julia implementation of numerical methods for variance based decomposition

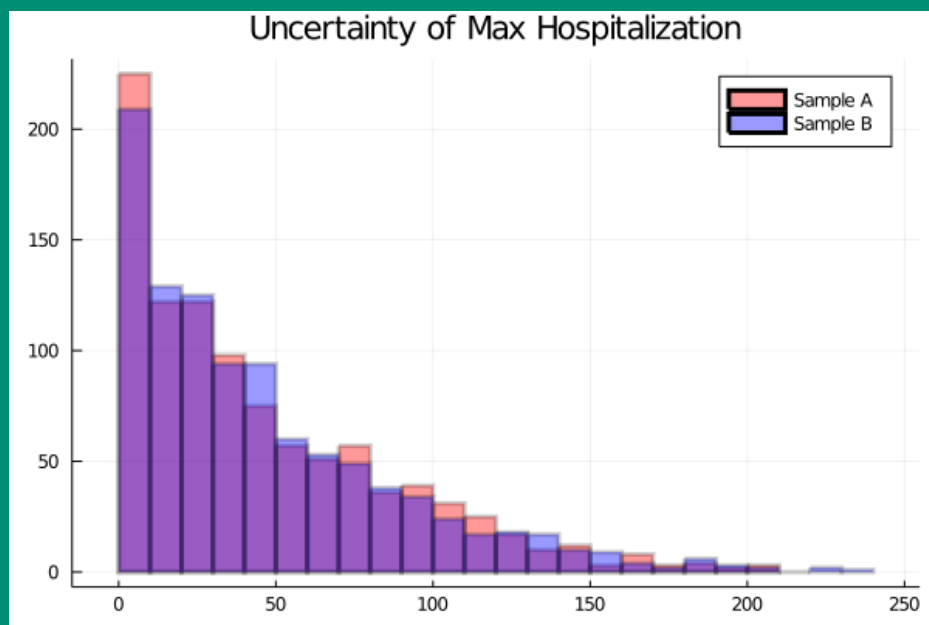
UQ/GSA for $\max(H(t))$



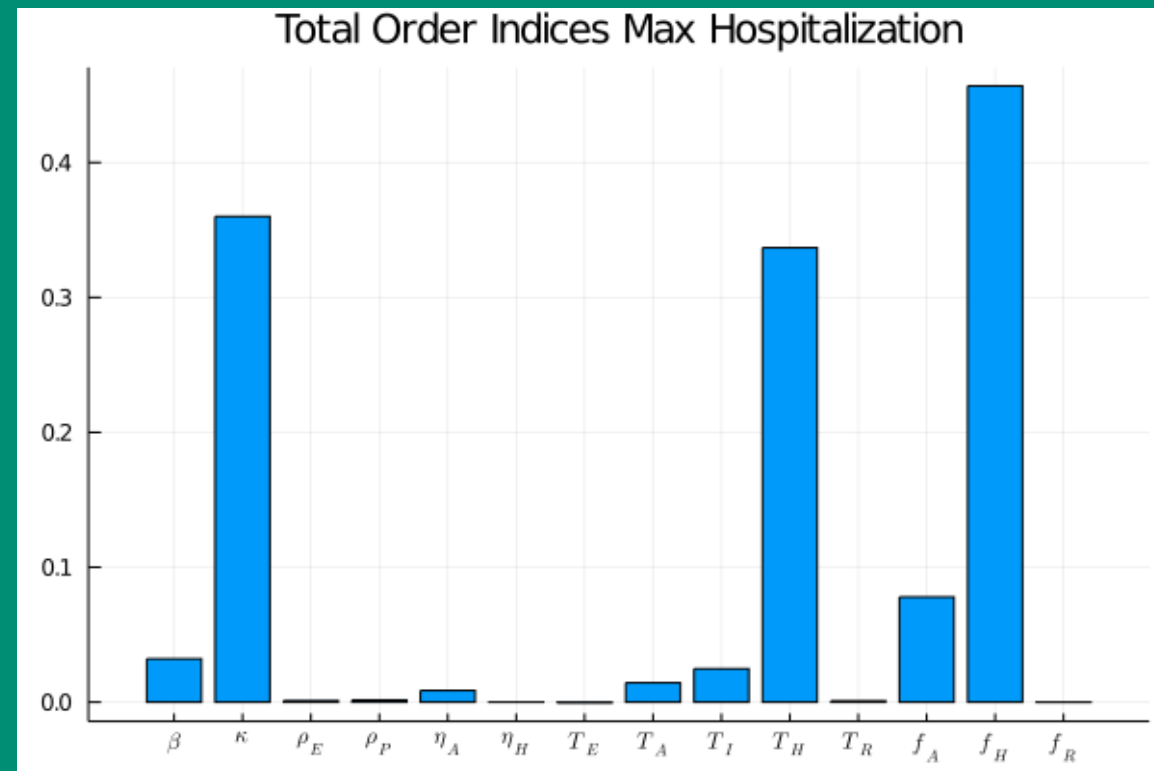
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$\max(H(t))$ Uncertainty:



Parameter Influence on $\max(H(t))$ Uncertainty:



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Nominal Parameter Values:

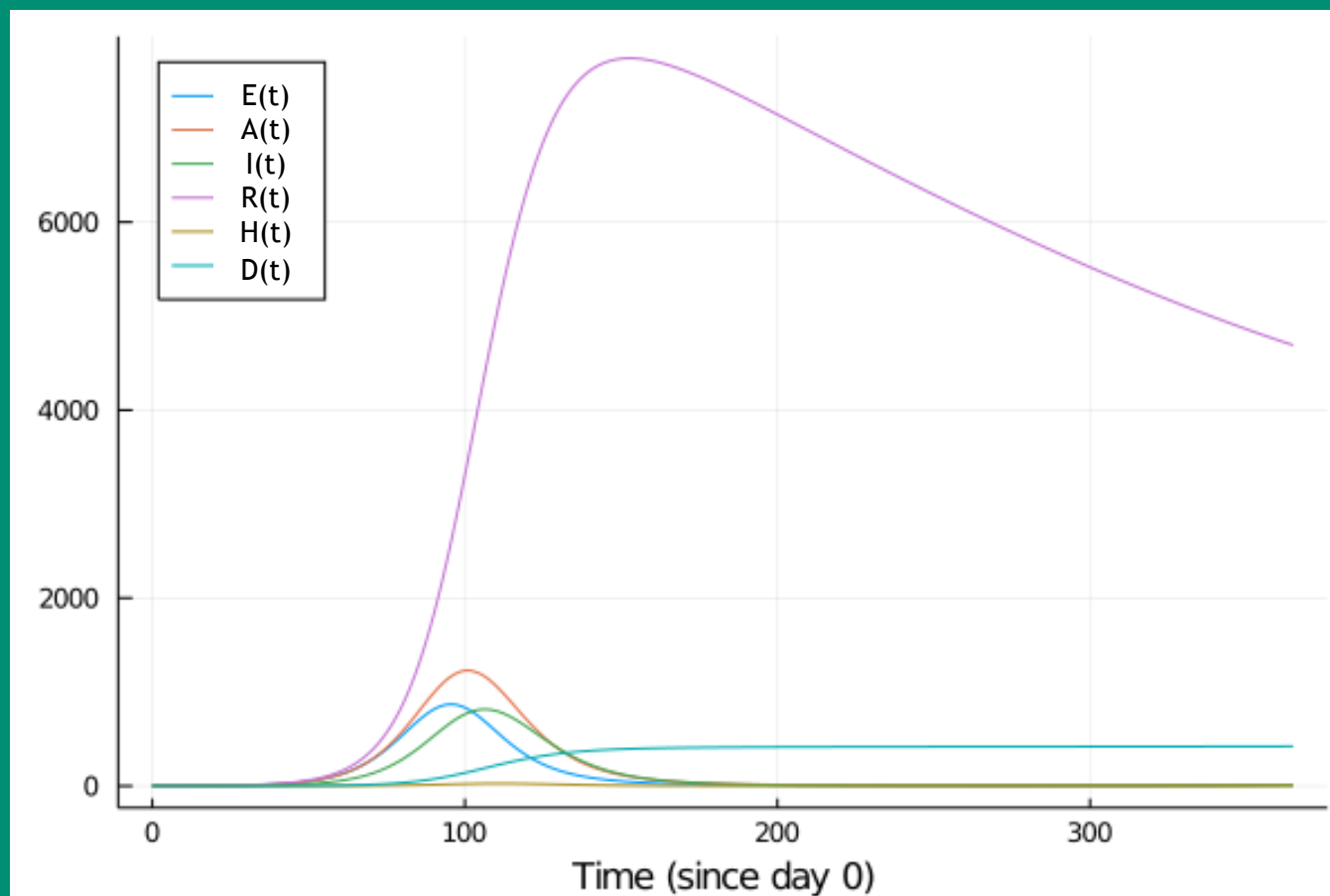
β	0.08	ρ_E	0.6	ρ_P	0.7
c	5	T_E	4		
η_A	0.75	T_A	6	f_A	0.3
		T_I	6		
η_H	0.01	T_H	5	f_H	0.04
		T_R	365	f_R	0.94

N_0	10,000
I_0	1
Time Horizon	[0, 365]

R_0 for this parameterization is 2.0187248

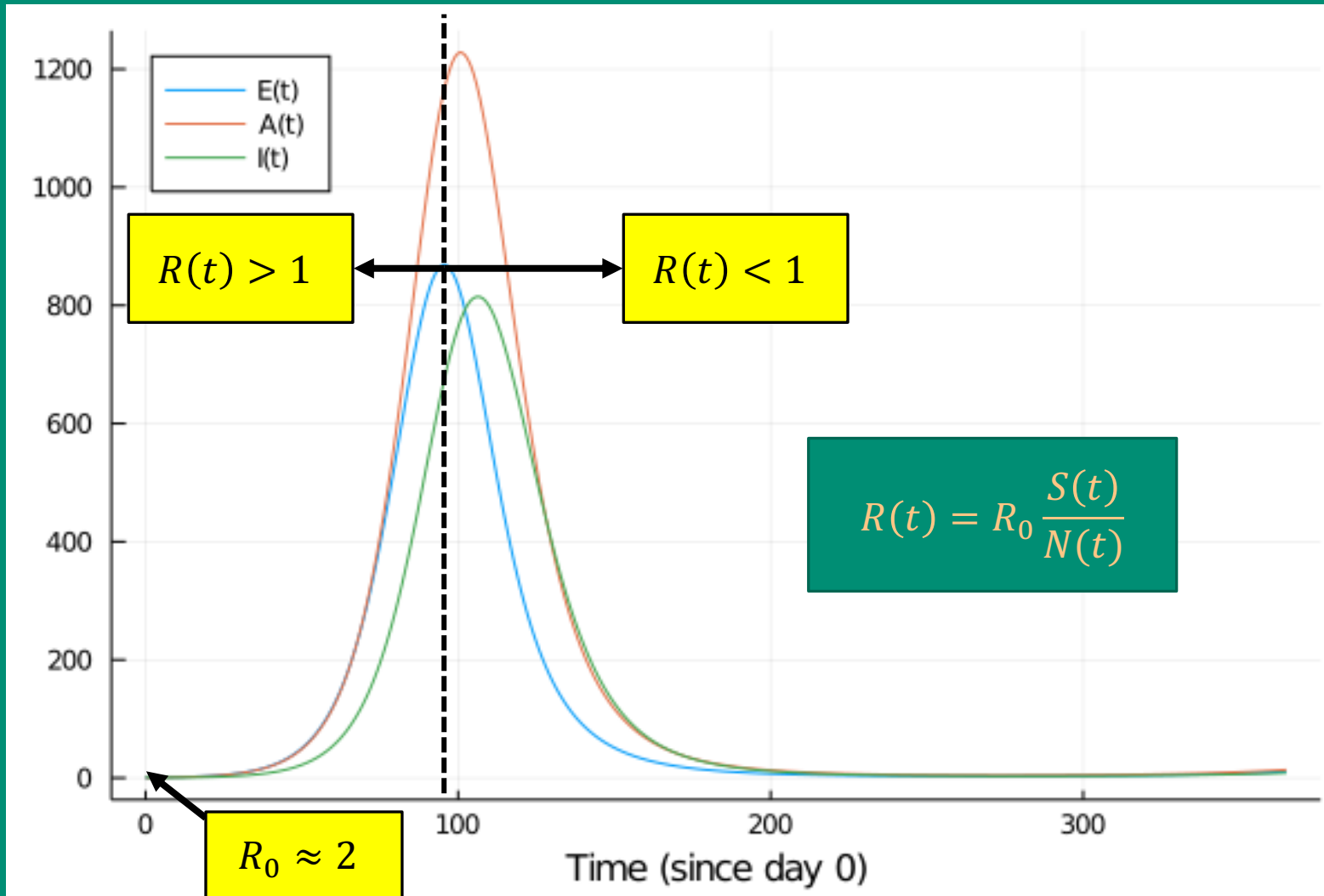
What is the difference between R_0 and replacement number $R(t)$??

State Trajectories:





Infected State Trajectories:



What to Know:

$R(t) \approx R_0$ at time $t = 0$

- $t = 0$ is when the first infected is introduced to a fully susceptible population.

$R(t) \approx 1$ at time $t = 95$

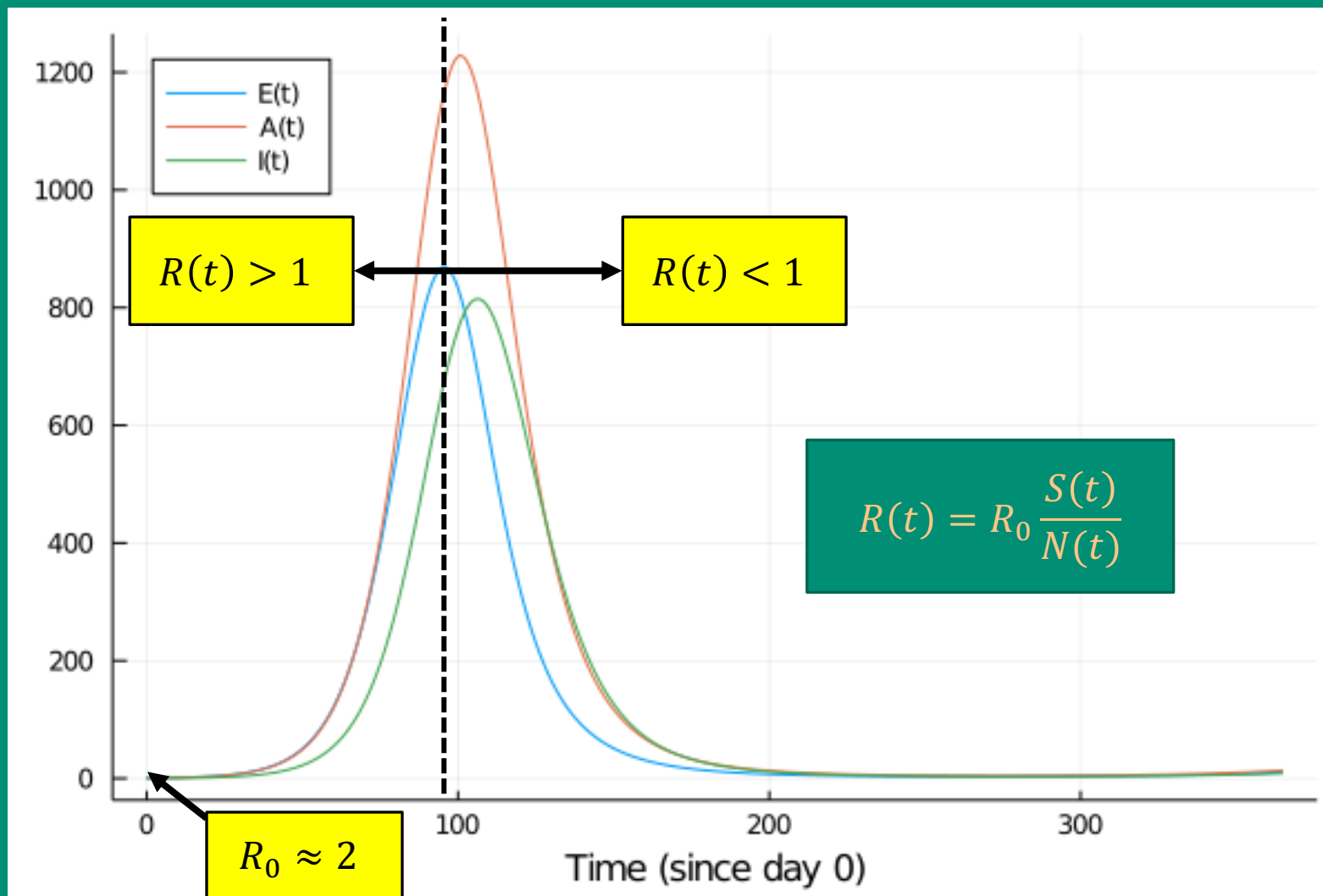
(specific to this example)

- Implying that we can reach herd immunity on day 95 (after the first infected is introduced)

Herd Immunity in terms of R_0 and $R(t)$



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Herd Immunity $\Psi = 1 - \left(\frac{1}{R_0}\right)$

- When $R_0 = 2$, then $\Psi = 0.5$
- $S(t) < 0.5N(t)$ is needed to control the spread

$N(t) = 10,000$

At time $t = 95$

- $S(95) \approx 4854$
- $R(95) \approx 0.98 < 1$



Introduction to Epidemiology

Epi Modeling Paradigms

Compartmental Model System Analysis

Modeling Mitigation Strategies

Non-Pharmaceutical Interventions (NPI)



Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

- Face masks

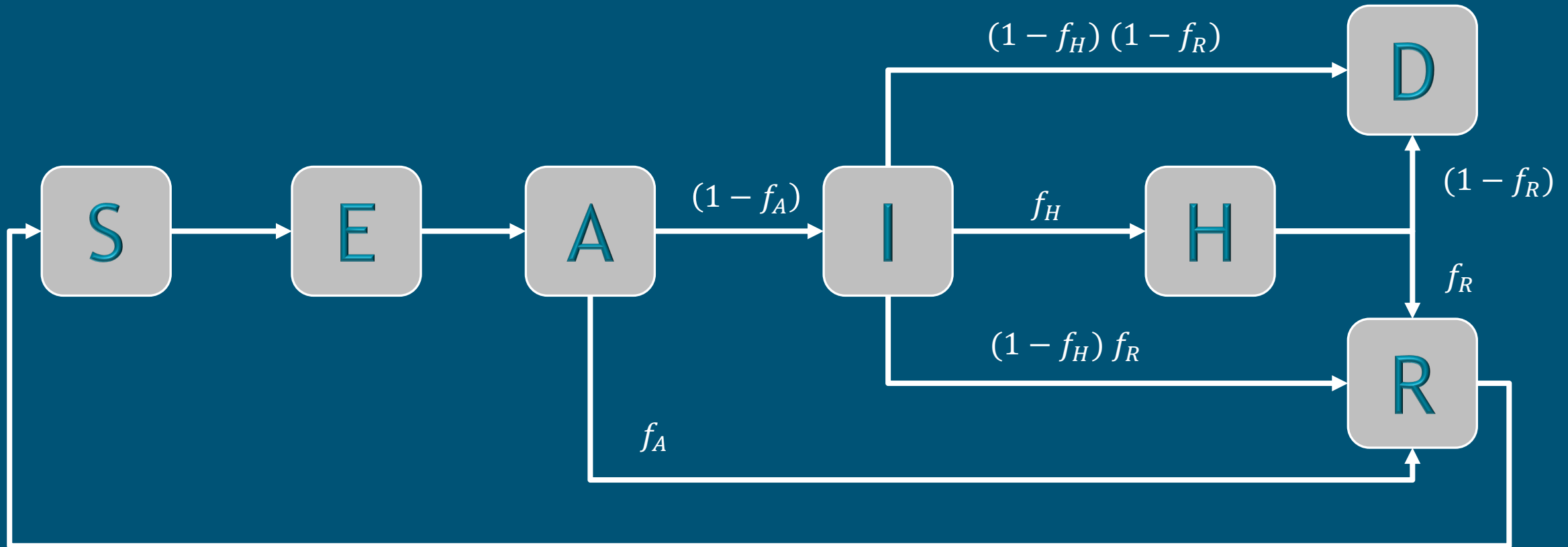
Isolation

- Identified infected individuals only.
- Those who have a positive test result, indicating that they have been infected by the virus.

Quarantine

- Contacts of an infected individual in isolation.
- Identification and quarantine of presumptive positive cases is most critical to infectious diseases where infectious onset occurs before symptom onset.

Compartmental Model: NPI Intervention (Face Masks)



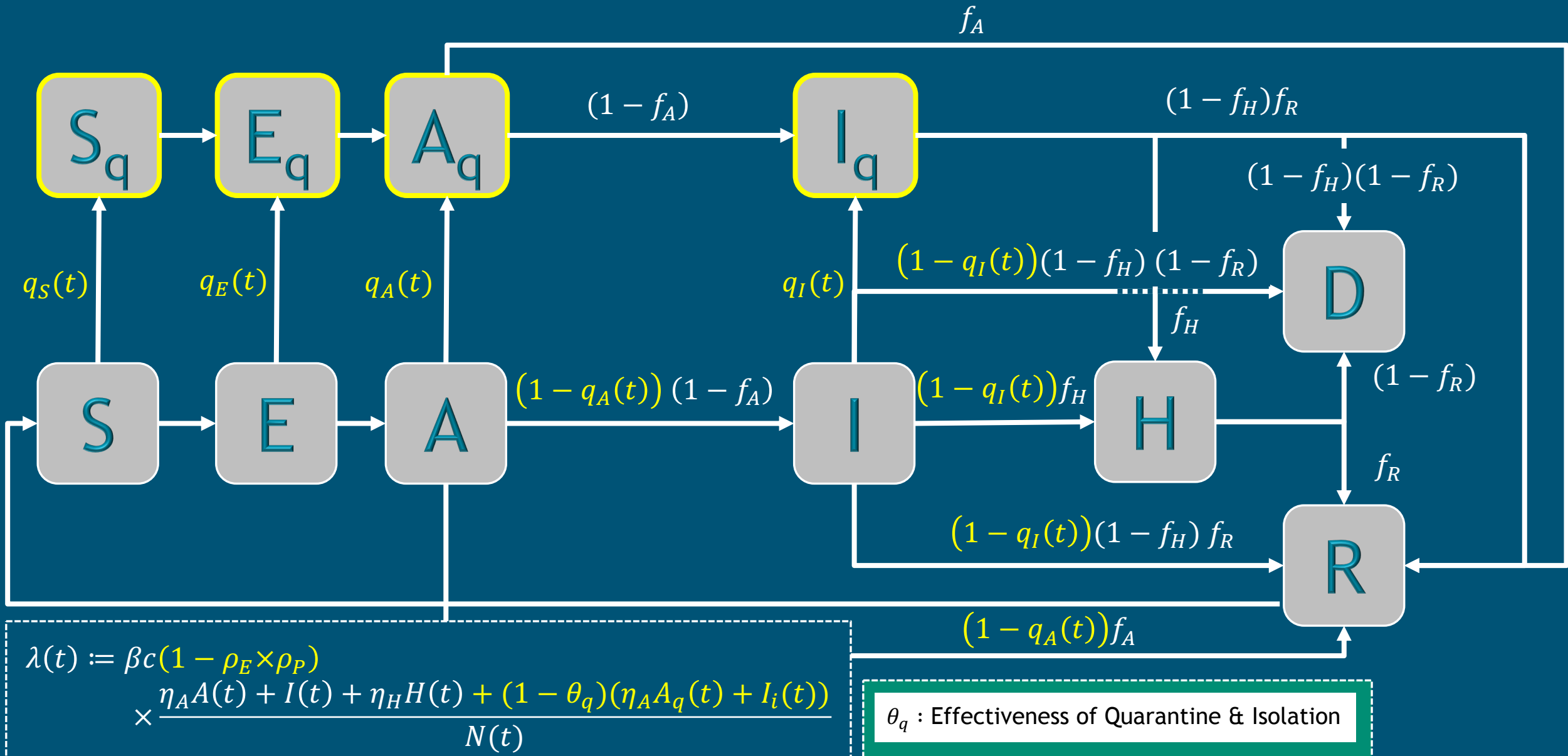
$$\lambda(t) := \beta c(1 - \rho_E \times \rho_P) \frac{\eta_A A(t) + I(t) + \eta_H H(t)}{N(t)}$$

ρ_E : Effectiveness of Face Masks
 ρ_P : Probability the interaction between two individuals is protected by Face Masks

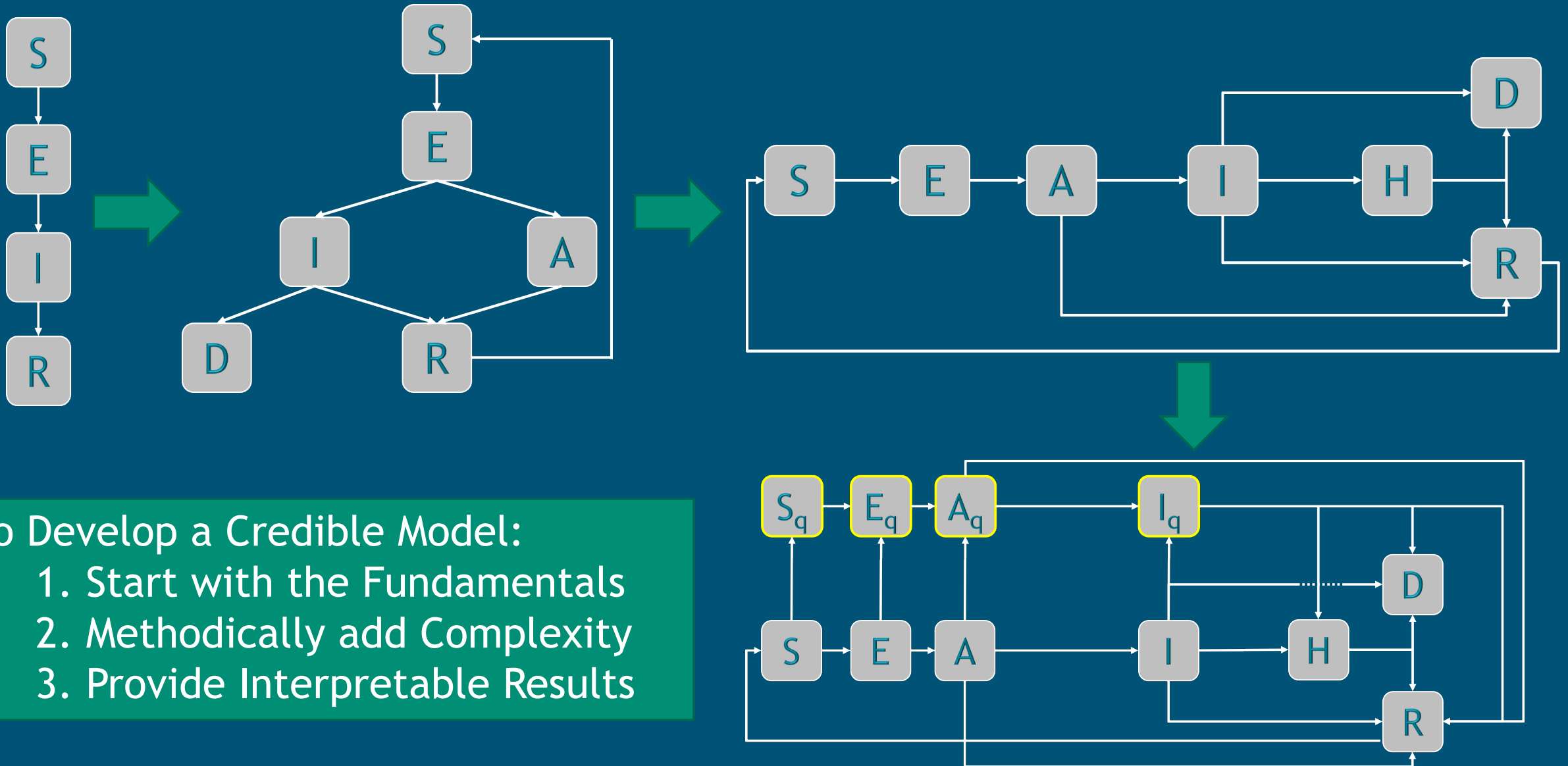


$$\lambda(t) := \beta c(1 - \rho_E \times \rho_P) \frac{\eta_A A(t) + I(t) + \eta_H H(t)}{N(t)}$$

$$R_0 = \beta c(1 - \rho_E \times \rho_P) \times (f_A \eta_A T_A + (1 - f_A)(1 - f_H)(\eta_A T_A + T_I) + (1 - f_A)f_H(\eta_A T_A + T_I + \eta_H T_H))$$



Evolution of Compartmental Model Complexity



To Develop a Credible Model:

1. Start with the Fundamentals
2. Methodically add Complexity
3. Provide Interpretable Results



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