

Forecasting Model Similarity

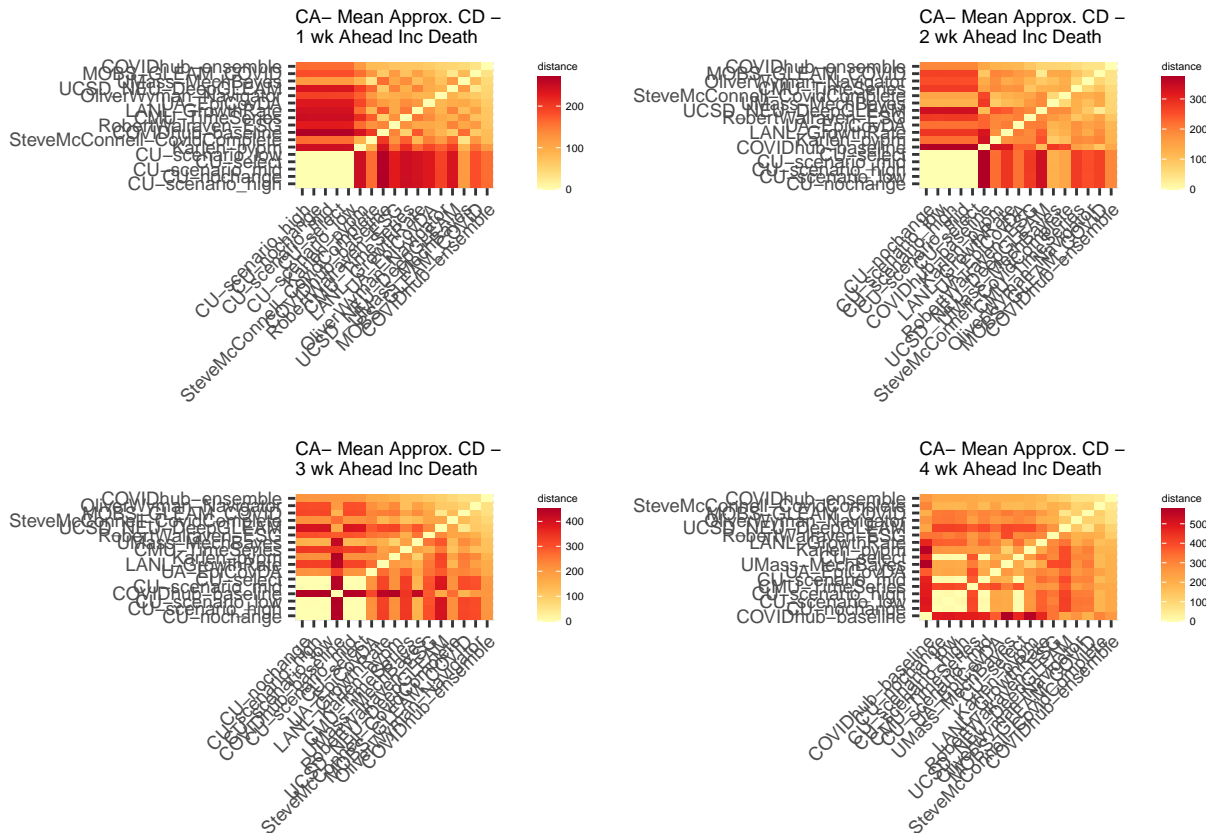
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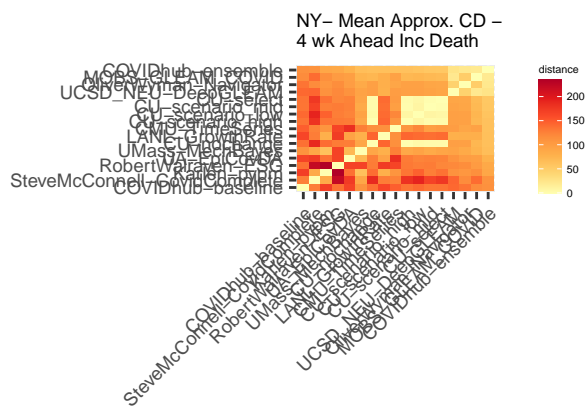
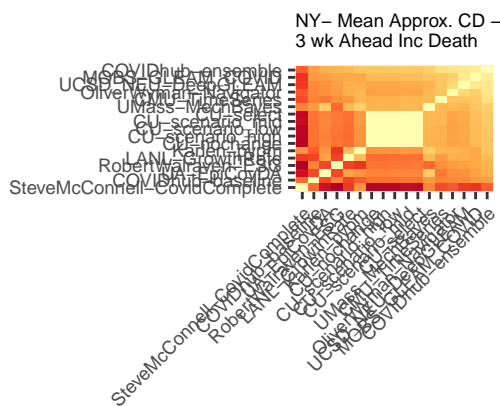
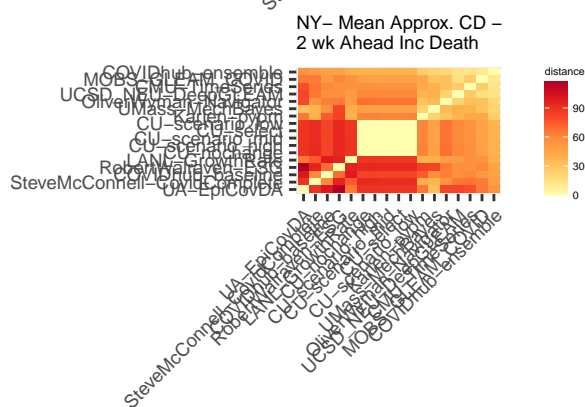
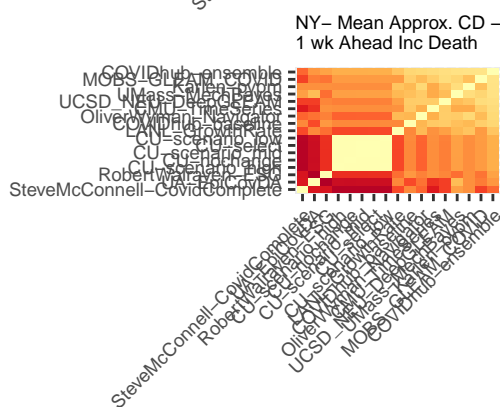
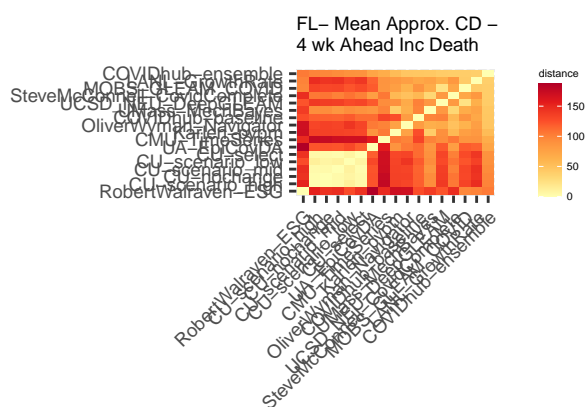
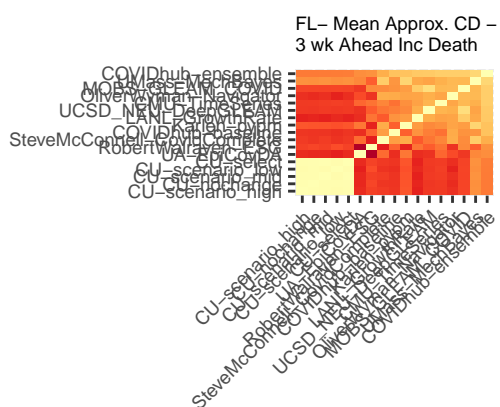
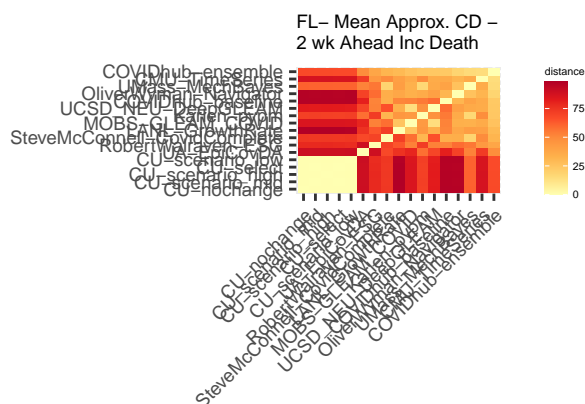
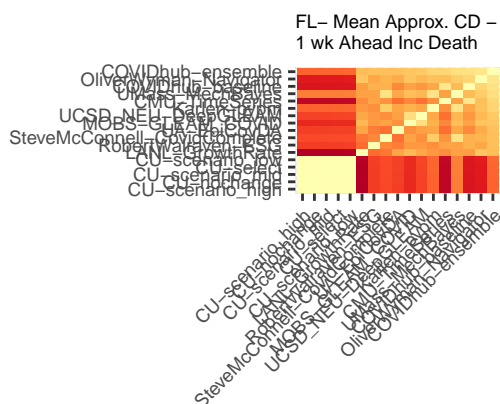
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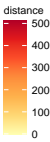
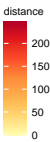
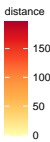
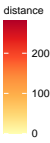
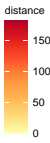
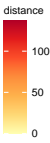
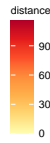
COVID-19 Forecasting Model Similarity Analysis for 1-4 Week Ahead Incident Death

The pairwise approximated Cramer’s distances are calculated for the models that have complete submissions for all target, all 5 locations with the highest number of COVID-19 deaths of at least 20,000 by the end of February 2021, all probability levels, from mid-October 2020 until May 24th, 2021 .

We can visualize the mean approximated pairwise distances across all time points in a heat map shown below. The distance from the model to itself is zero. The x -axis is arranged based in an ascending order of the model’s approximate pairwise distance from the COVIDhub-ensemble. So, the first model is the model that is most dissimilar (on average) to the ensemble in this time frame.

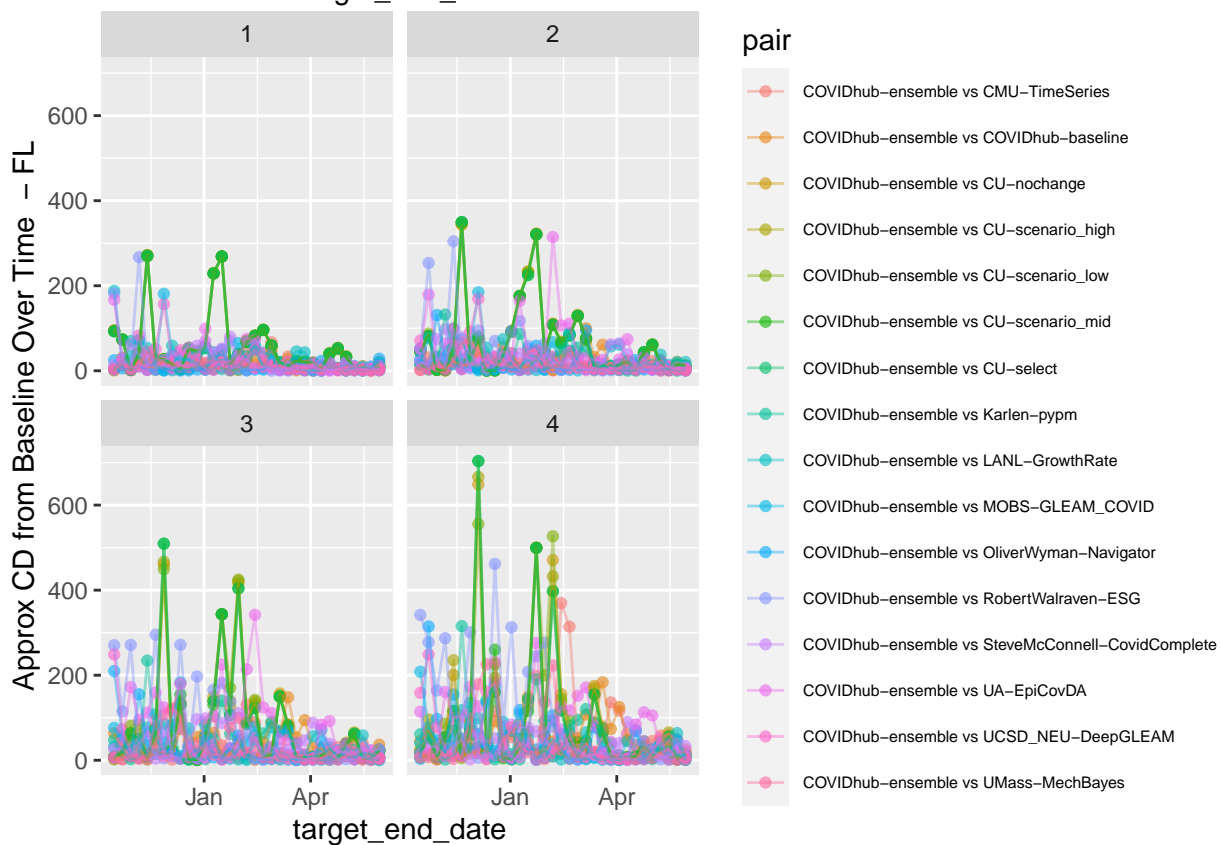
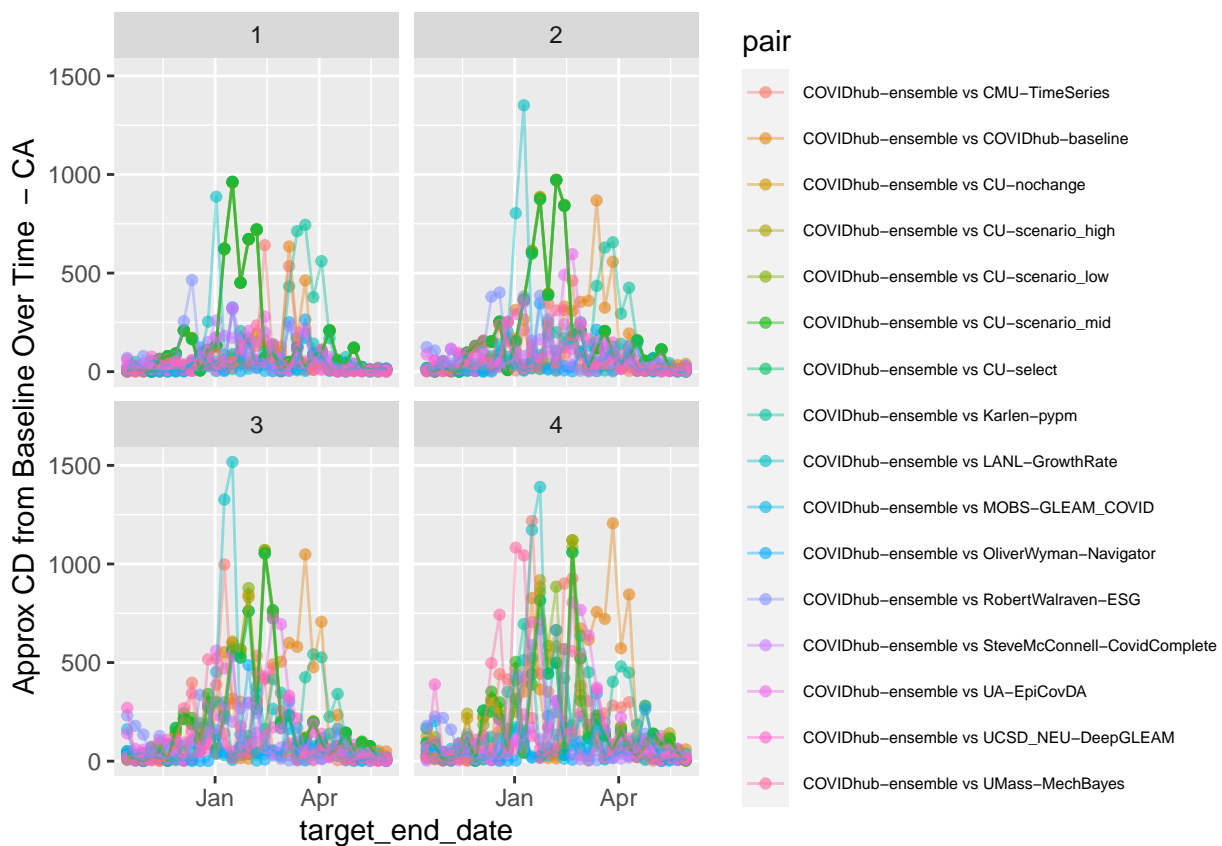


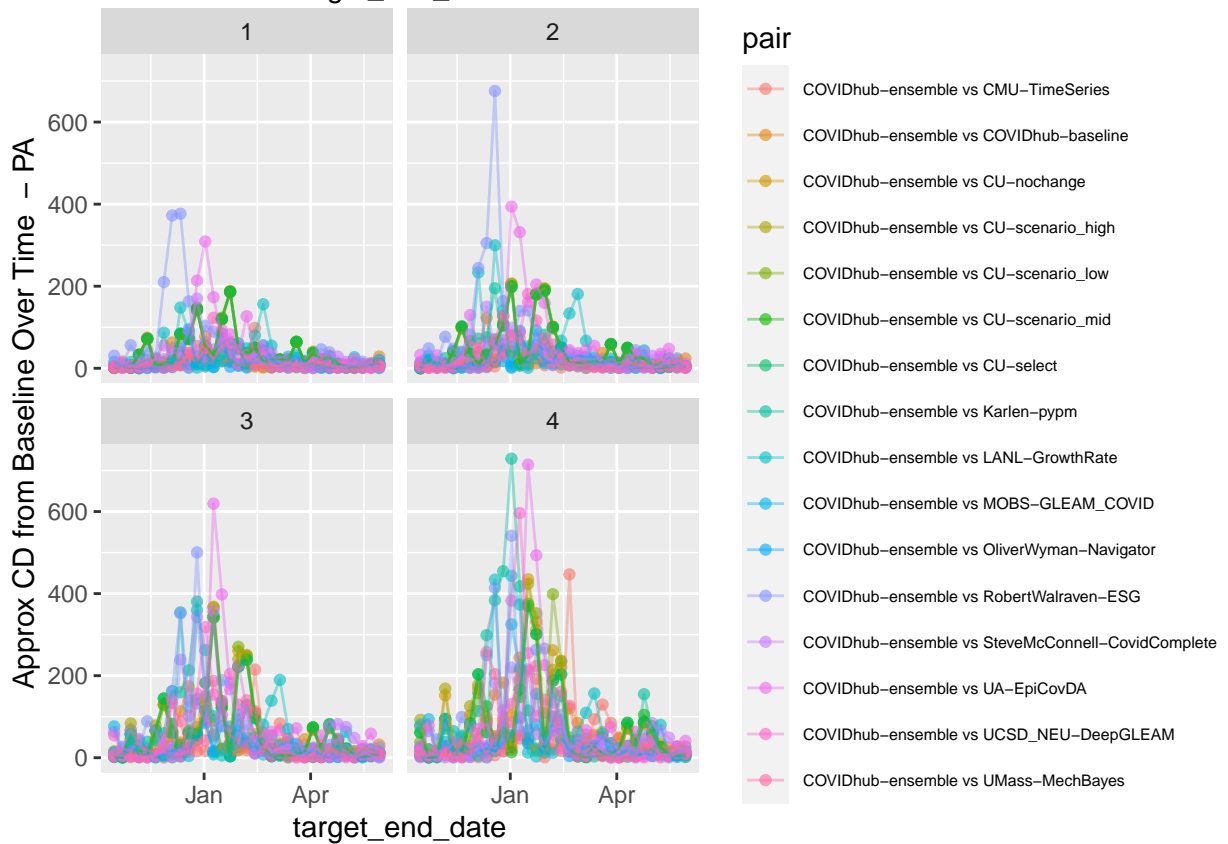
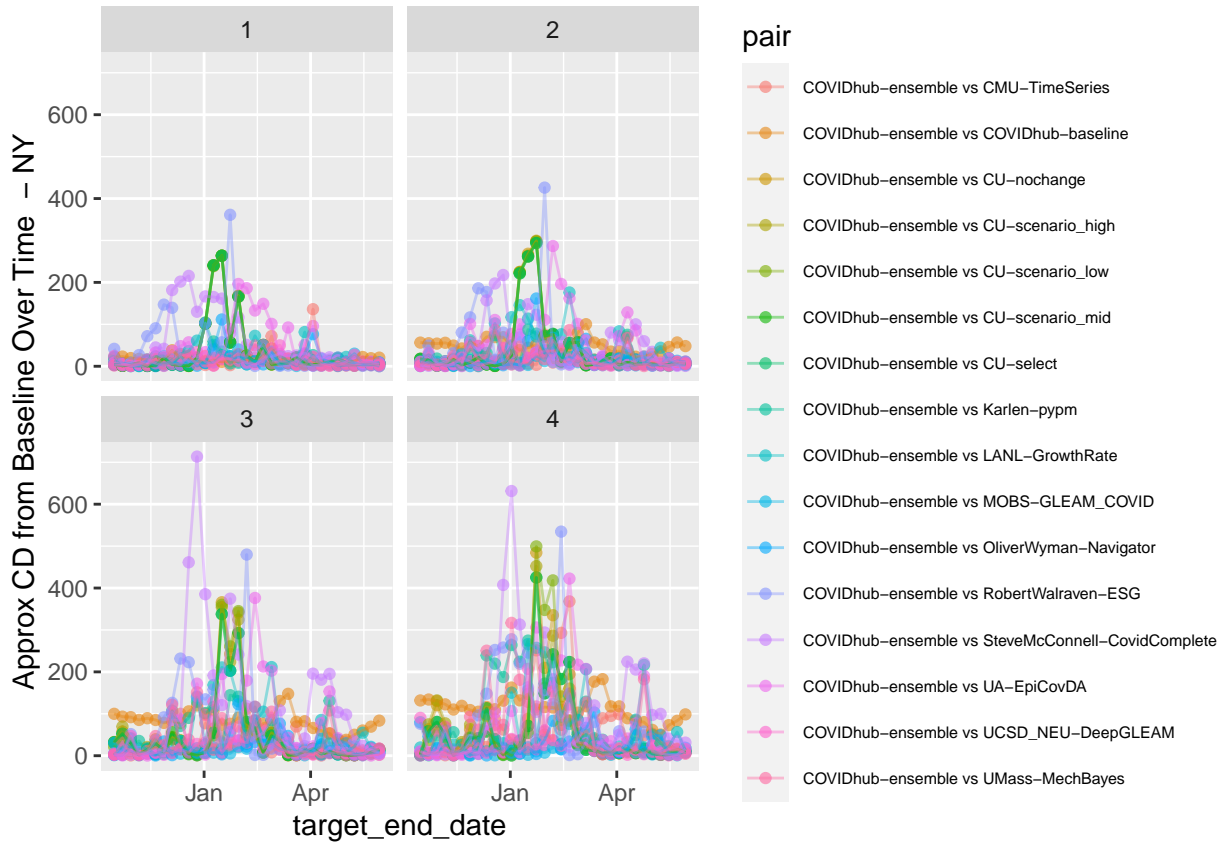


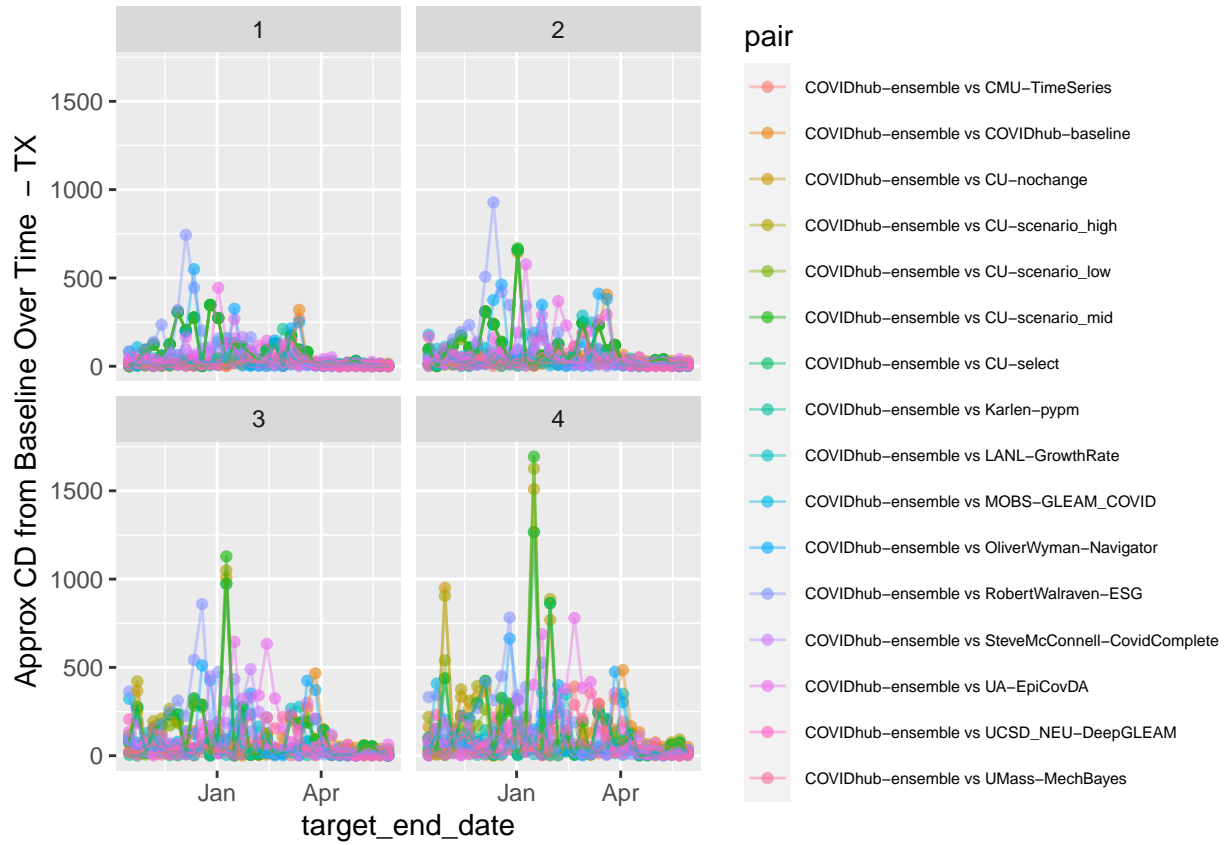


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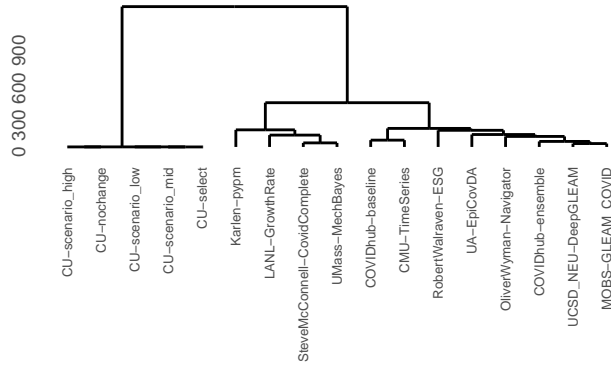




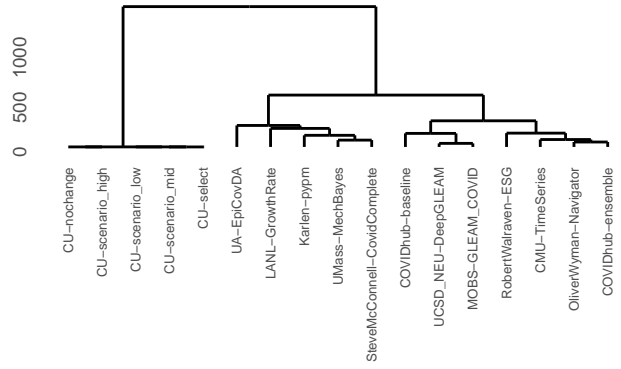


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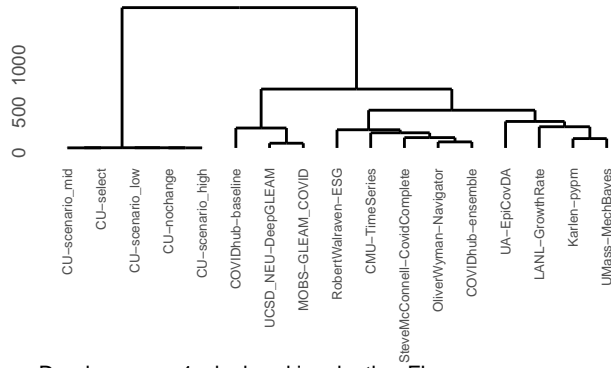
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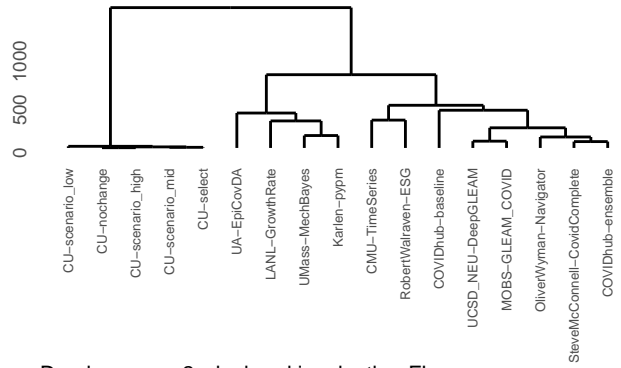
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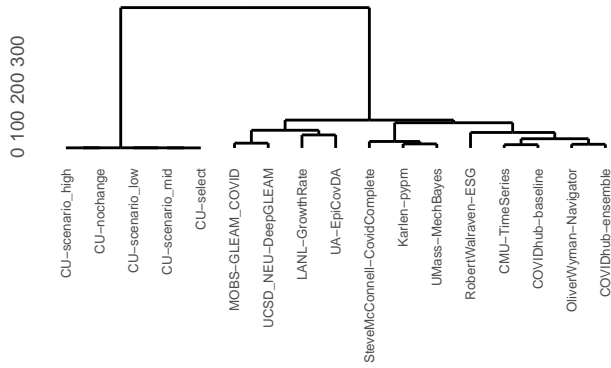
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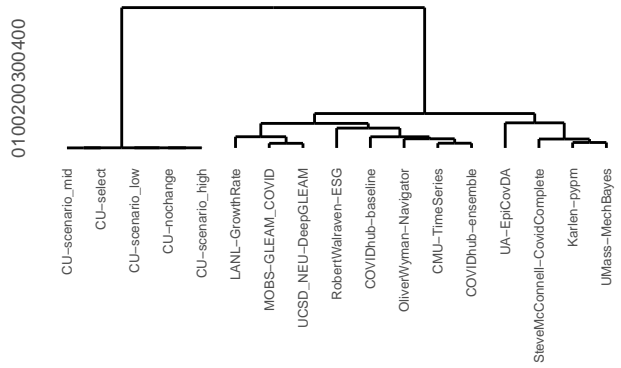
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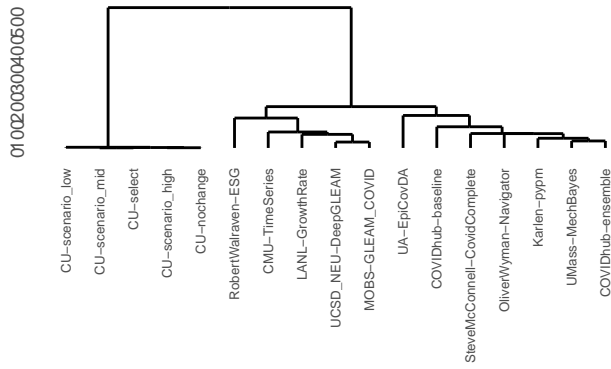
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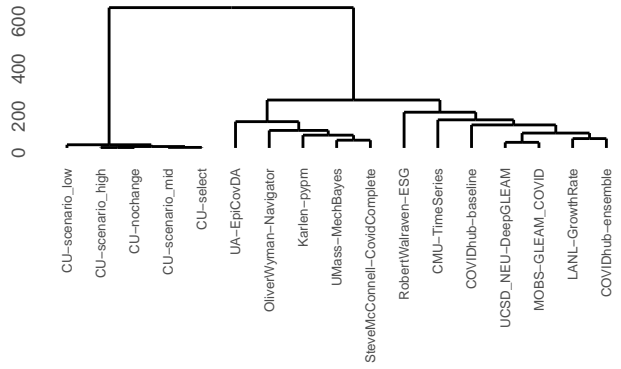
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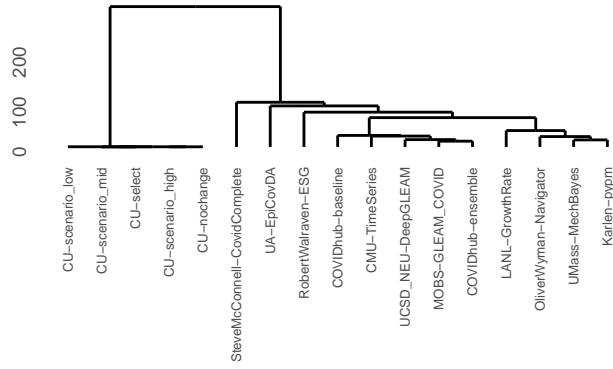
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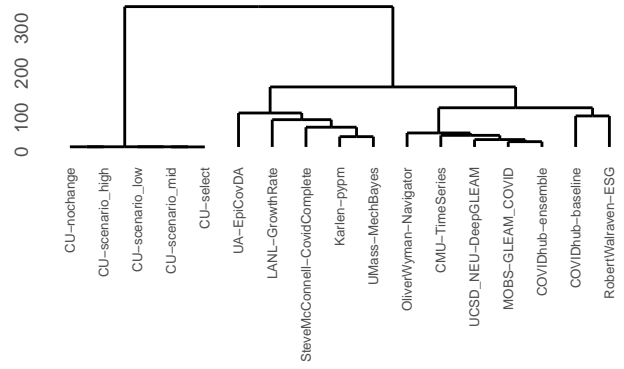
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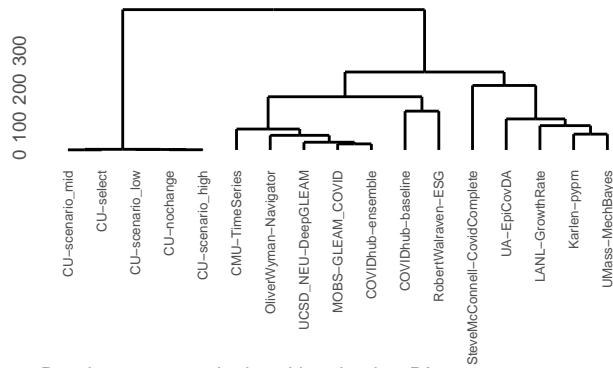
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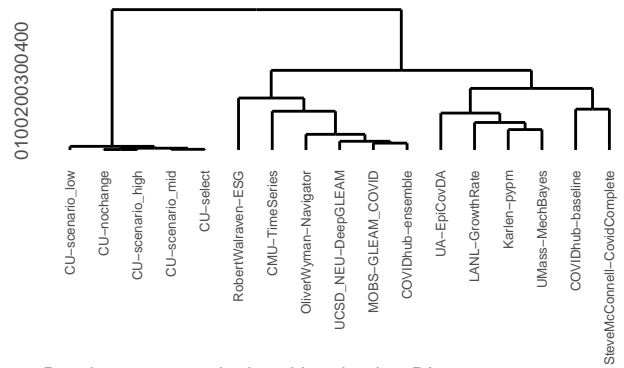
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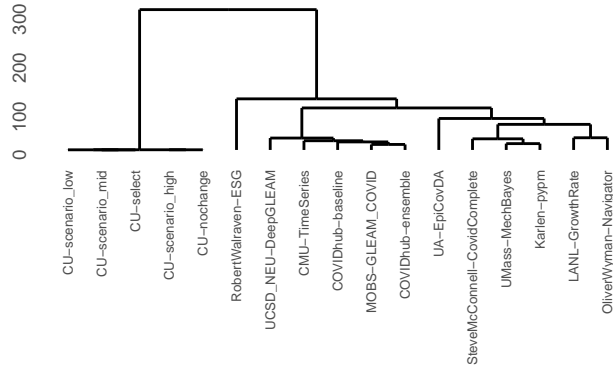
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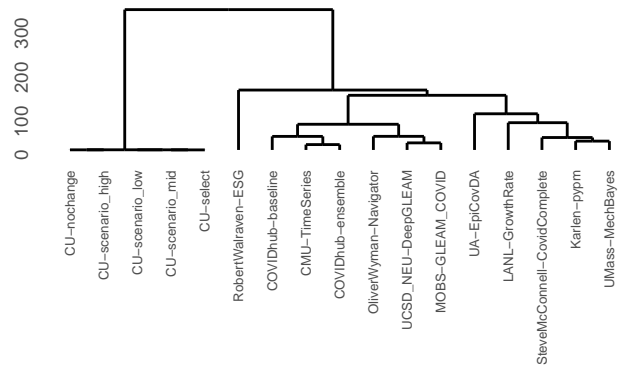
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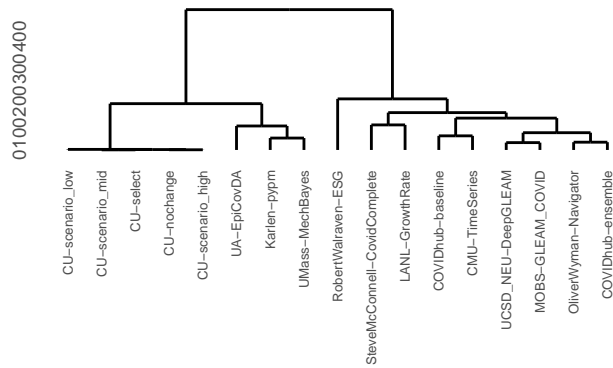
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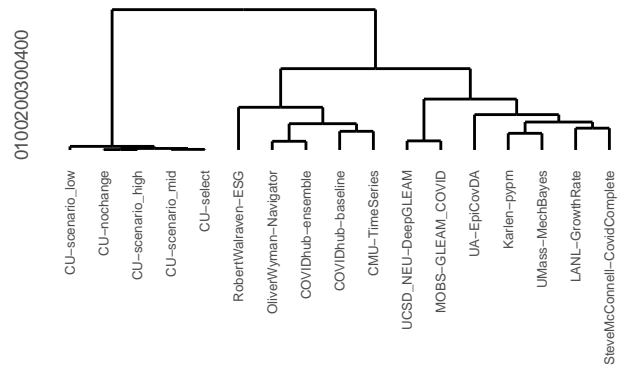
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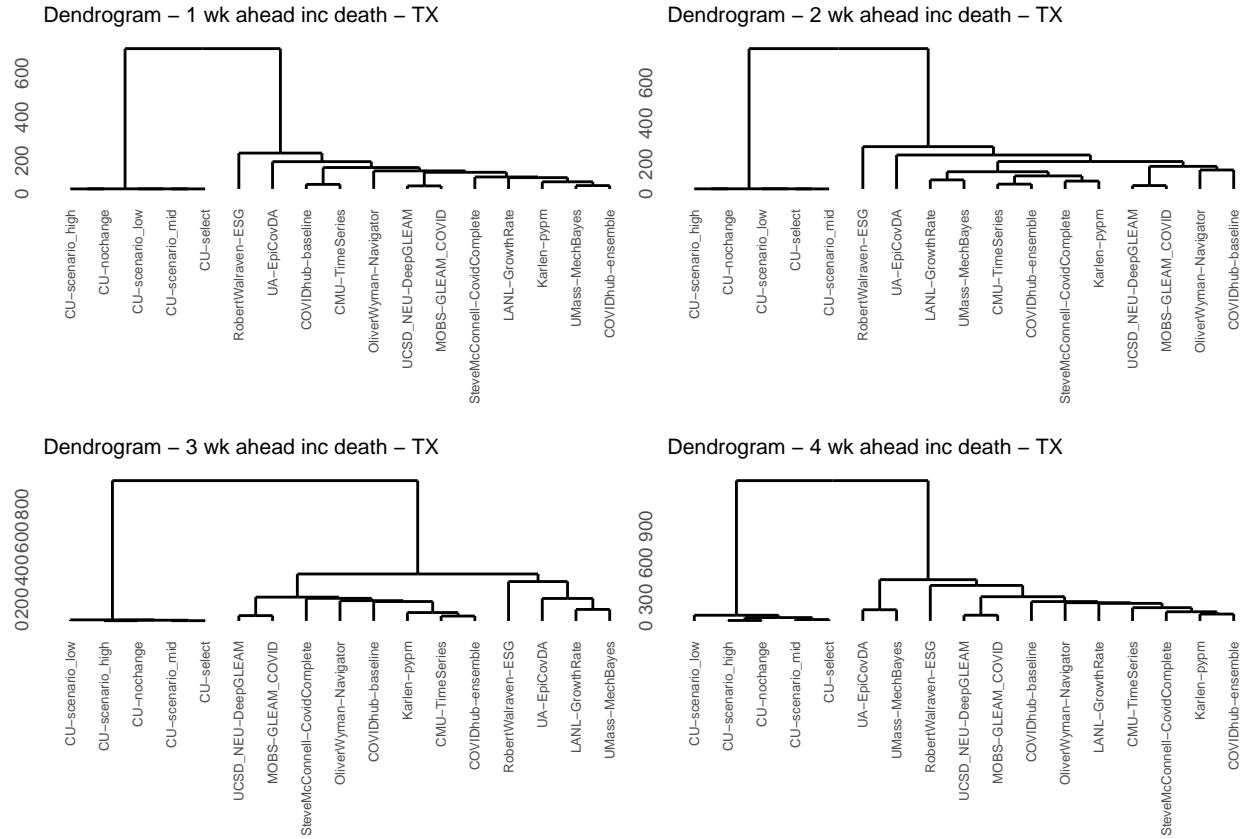


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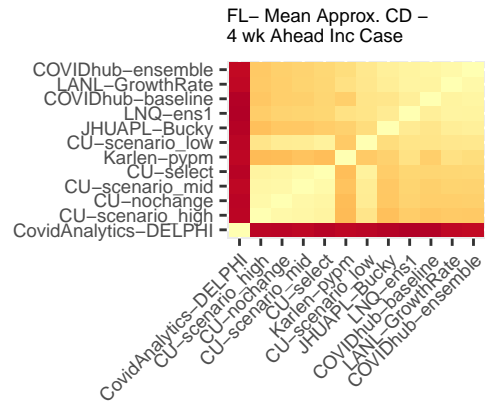
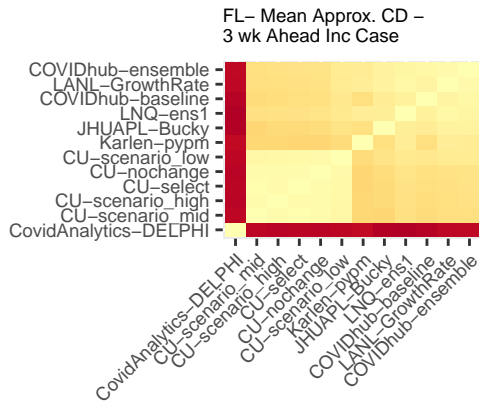
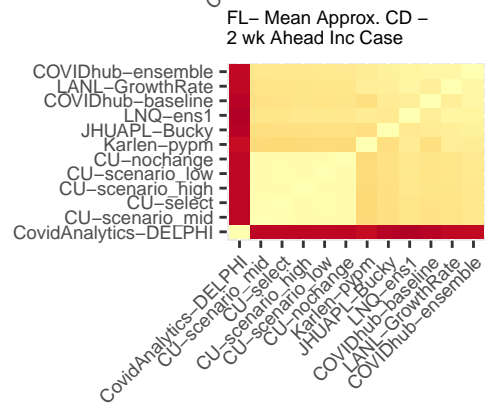
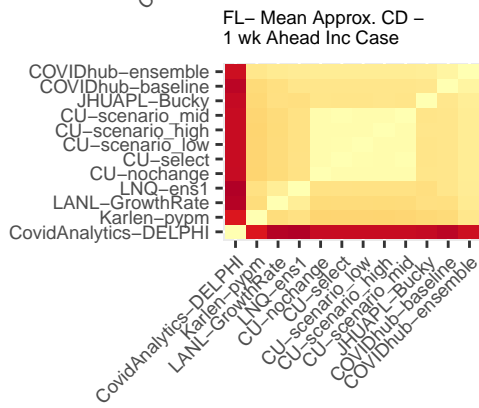
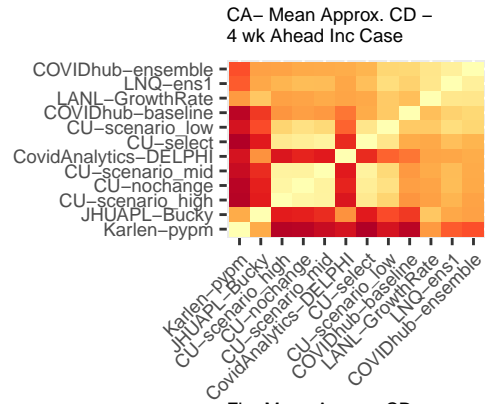
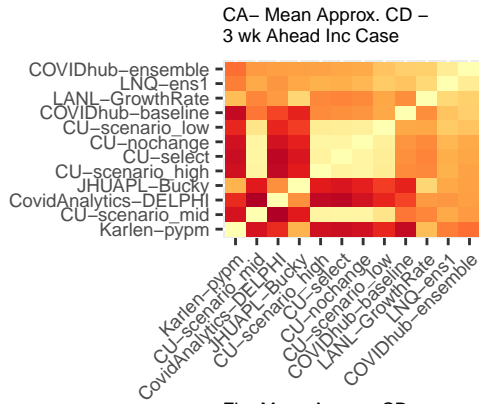
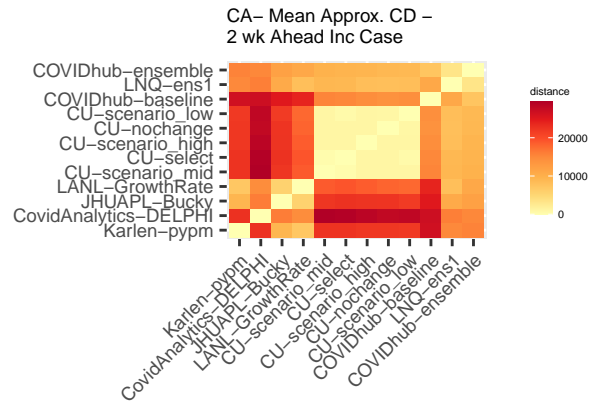
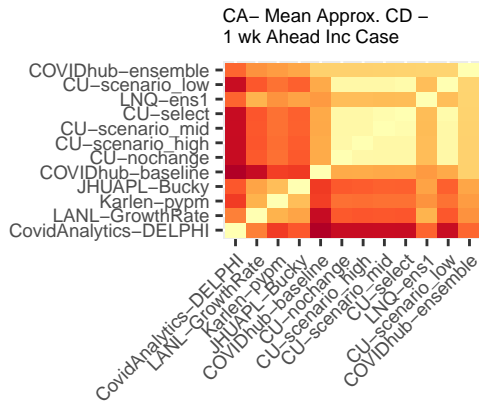


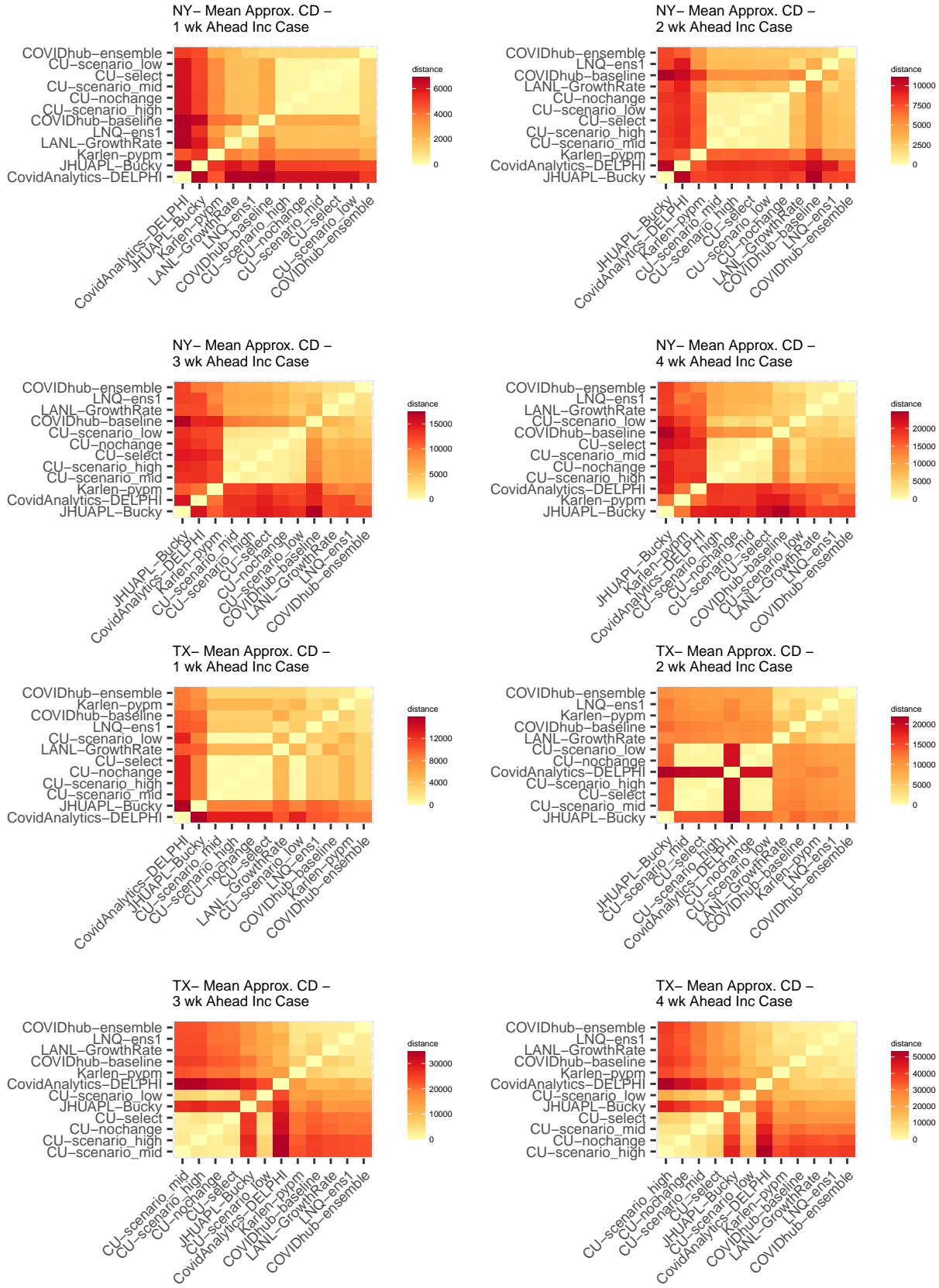


COVID-19 Forecasting Model Similarity Analysis for 1-4 Week Ahead Incident Case

The pairwise approximated Cramer’s distances are calculated for the models that have complete submissions for all target, all probability levels, from mid-October 2020 until May 24th,2021 for 5 locations with the highest incident cases in the week of February 27, 2021.

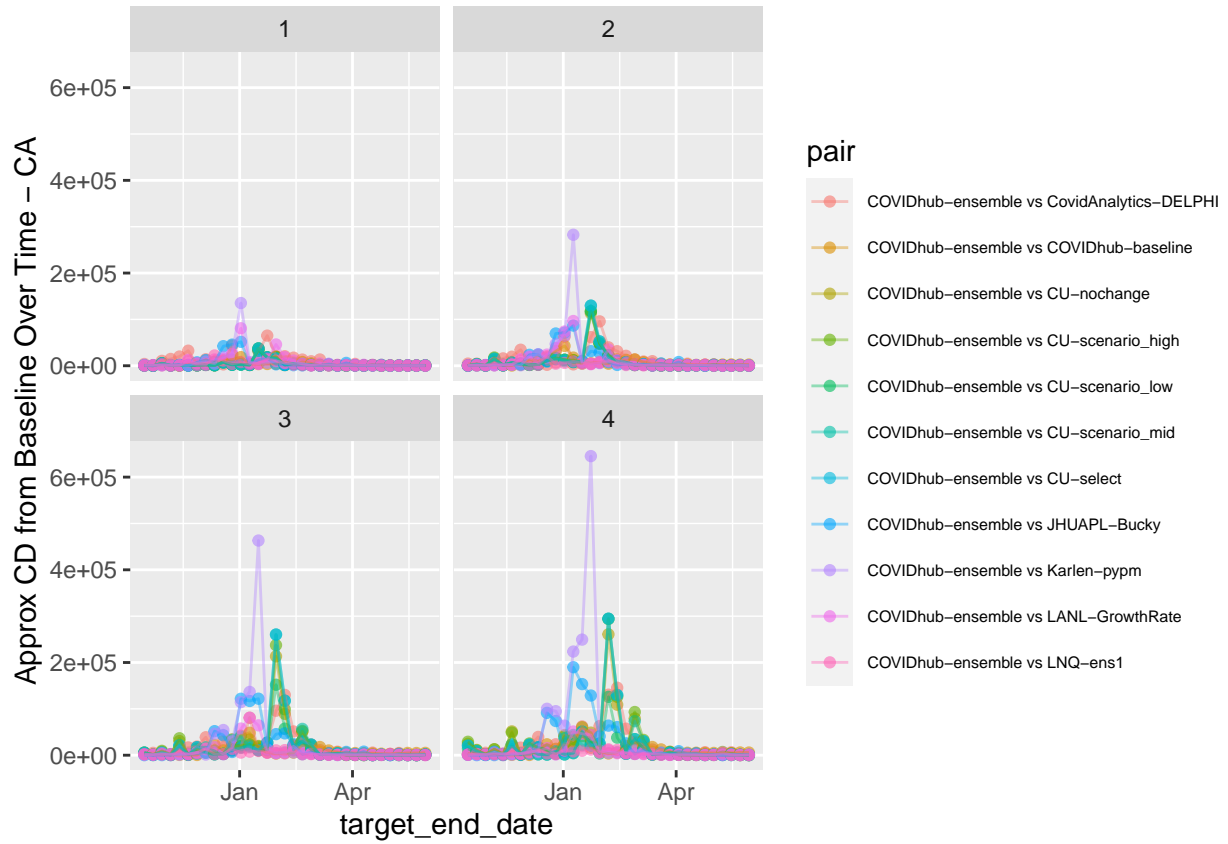
Below are the heatmaps of mean approximated pairwise CD across time by location-target:

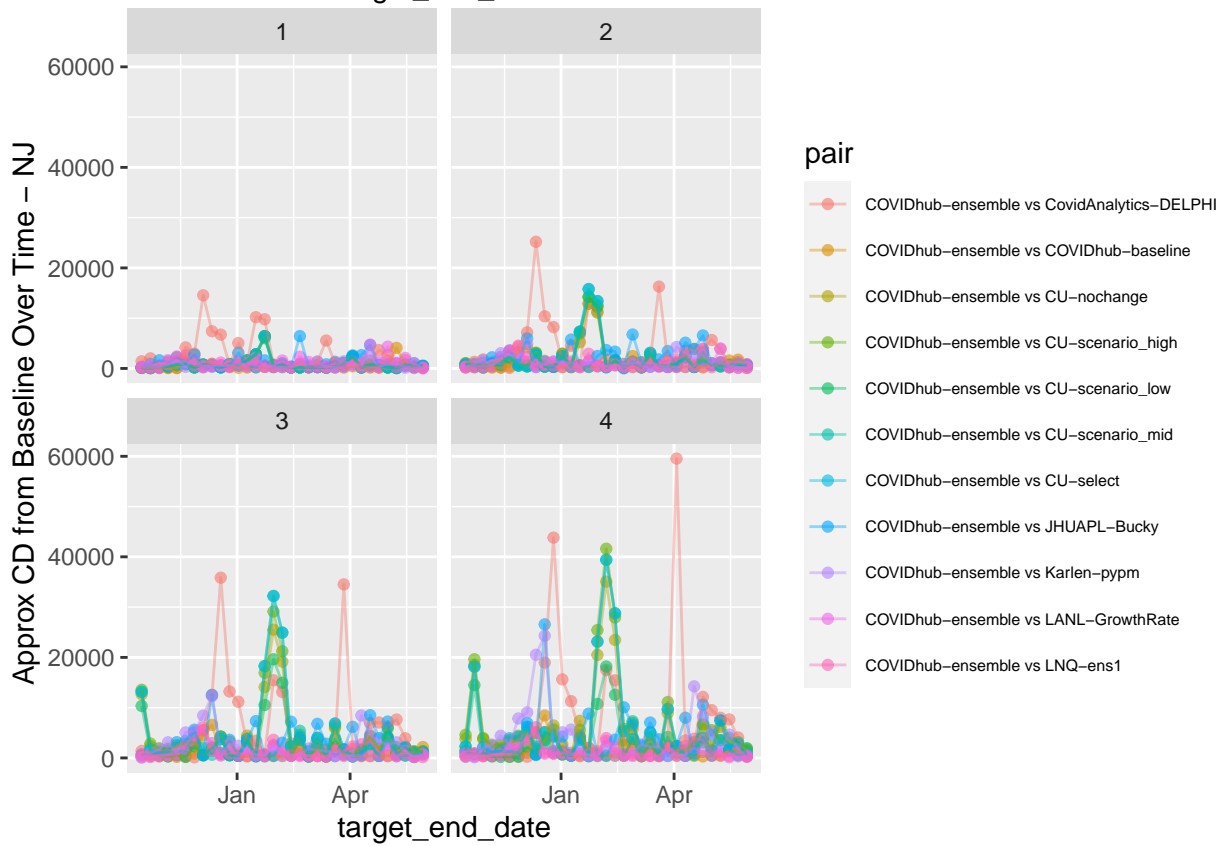
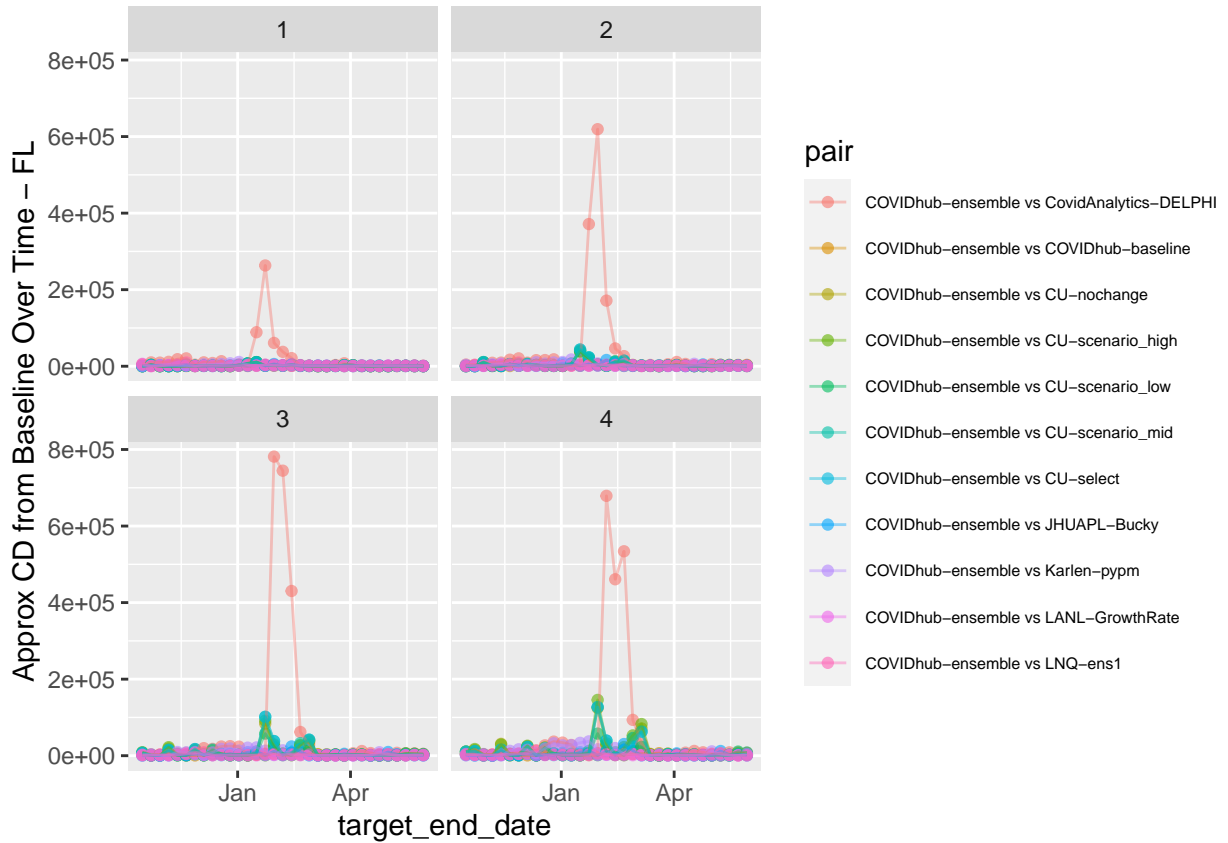


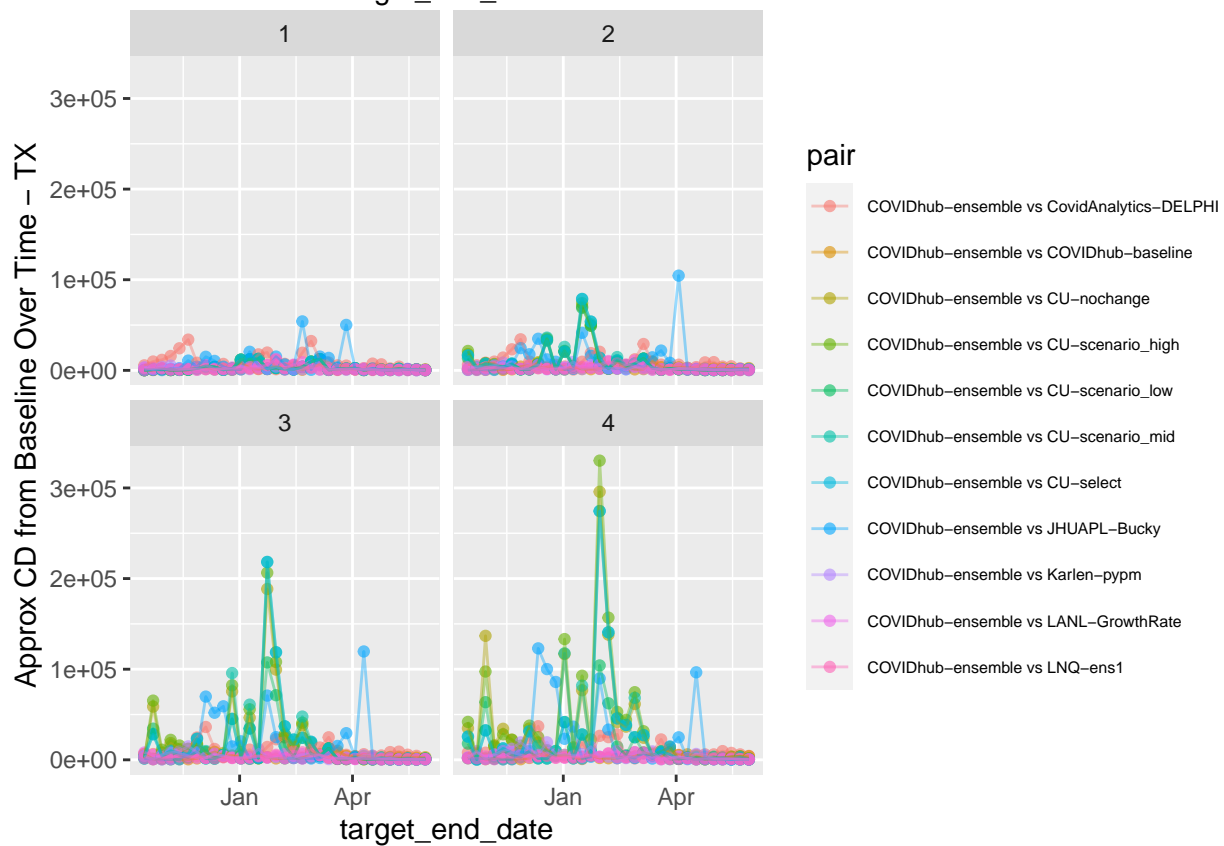
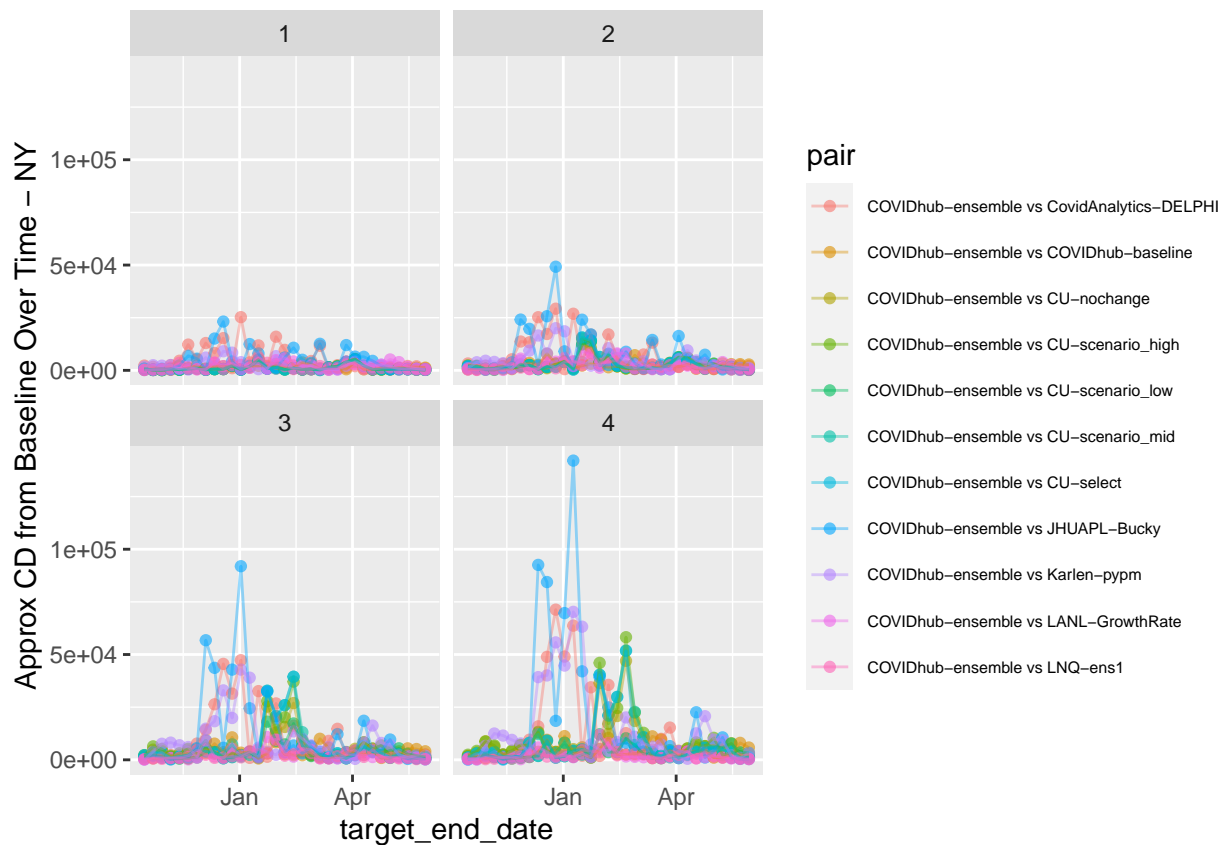


Below are the plots of approximated pairwise distances over time. Unlike indicent death targets, there are

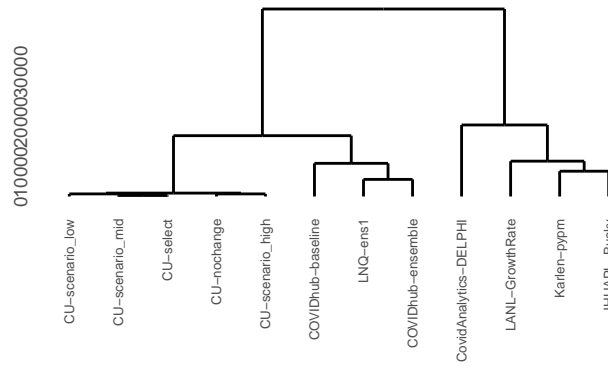
too many model pairs to show (12 models for inc death and 17 models for inc case, so we have a combination of 6 choose 2 with no repeats (15) vs a combination of 11 choose 2 with no repeats (55)). So, I only pick the first 15 of the combinations:



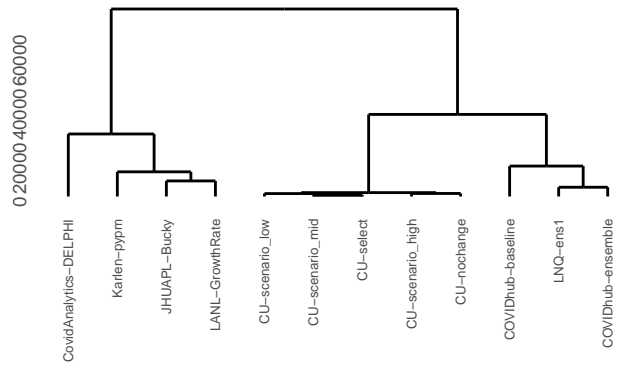




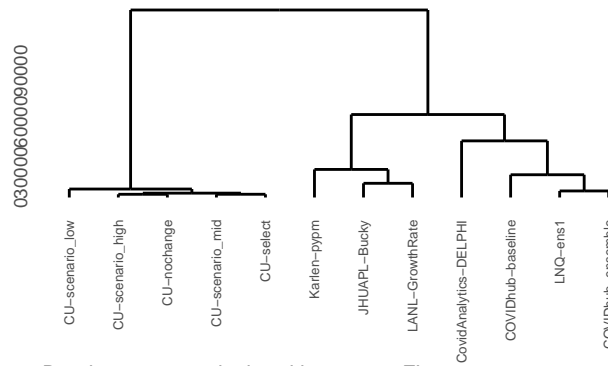
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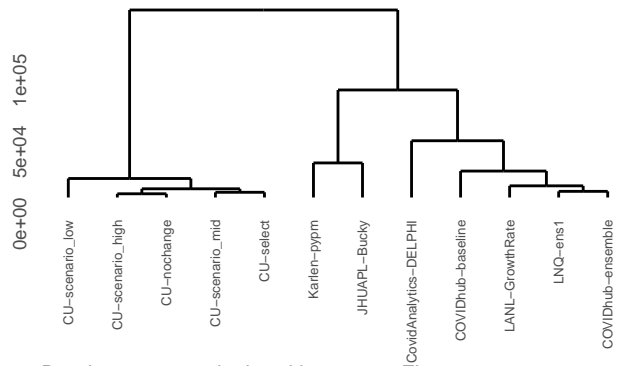
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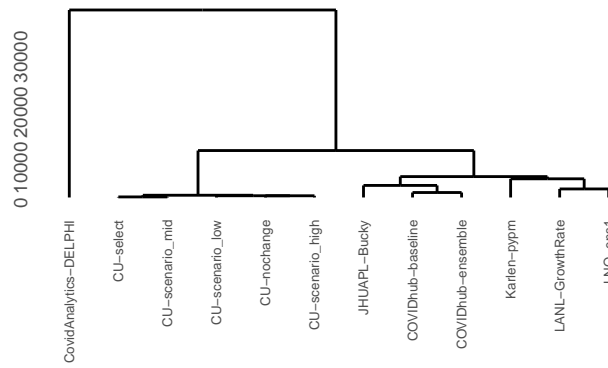
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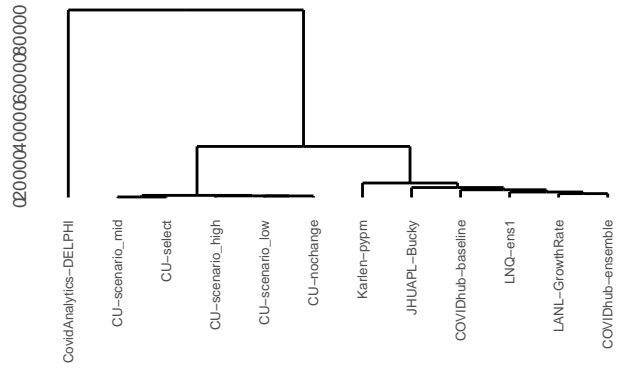
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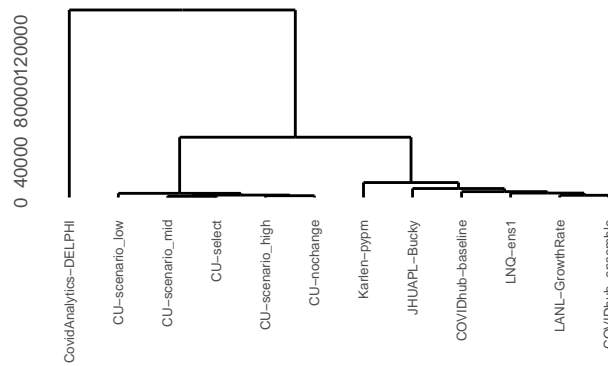
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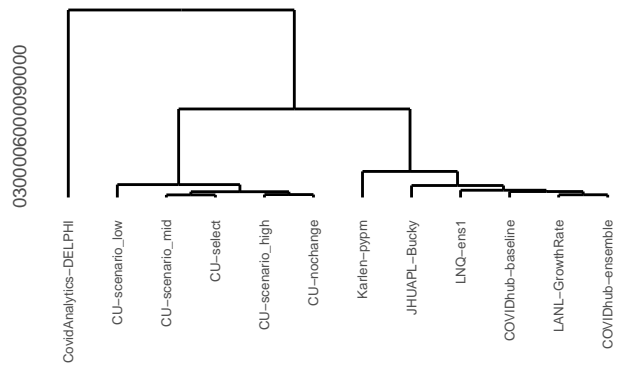
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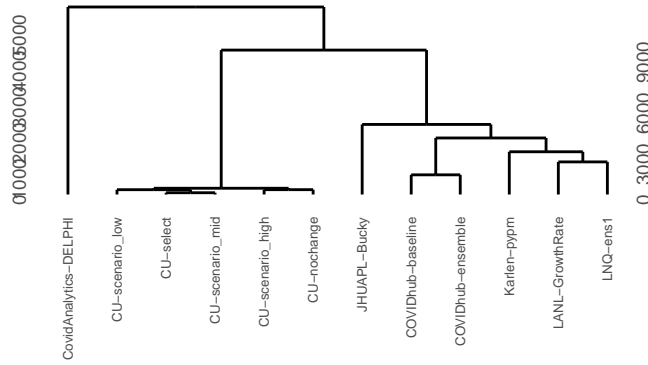
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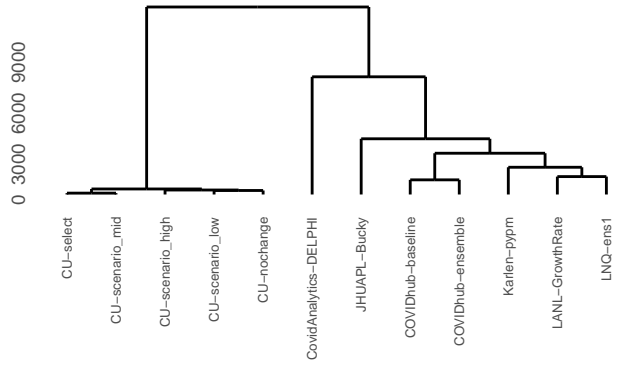
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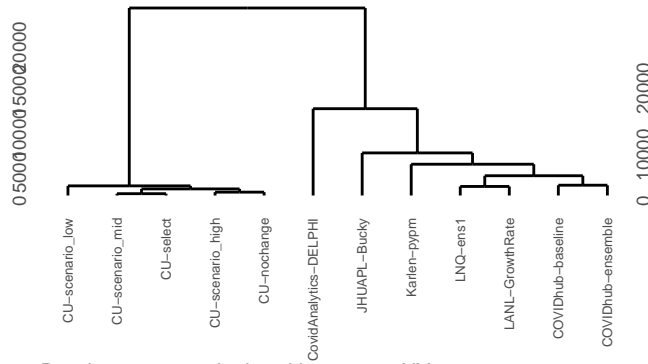
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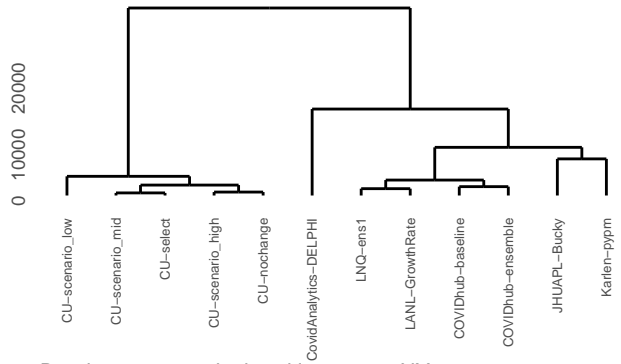
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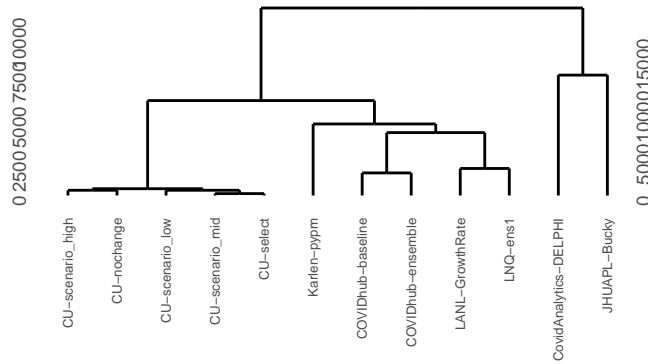
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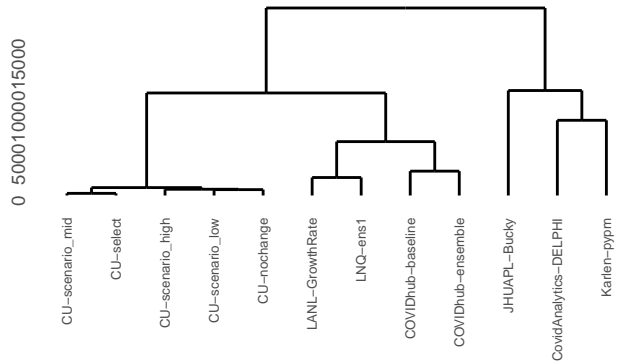
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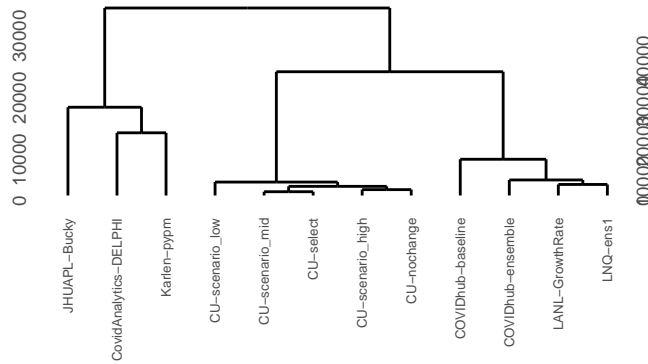
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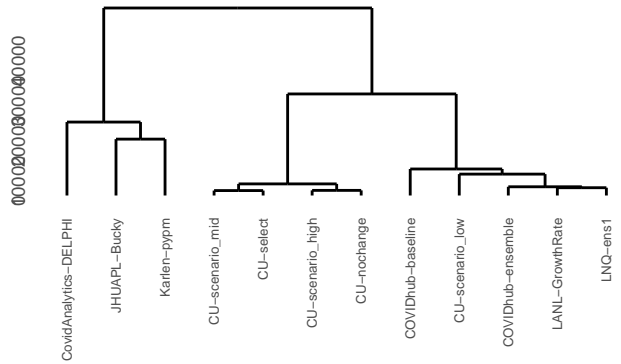
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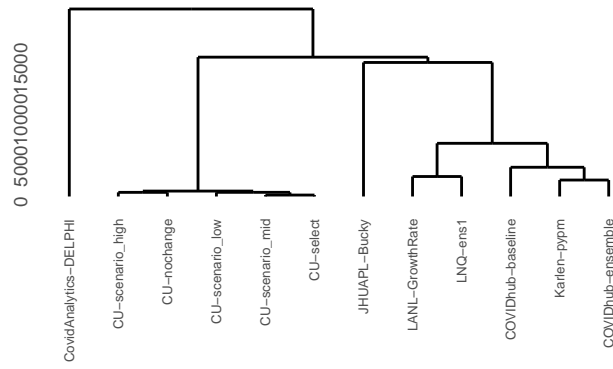
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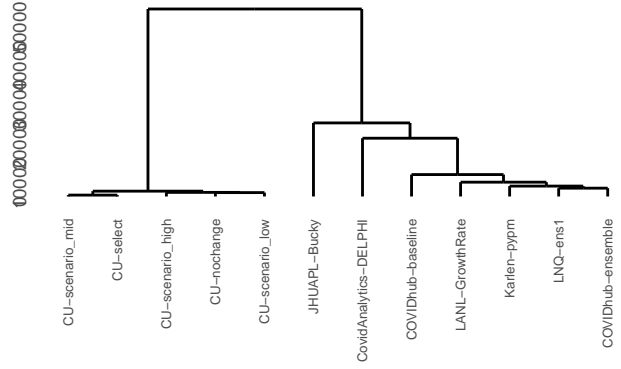
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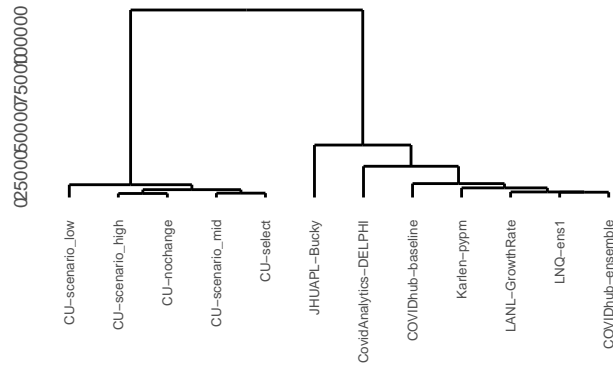
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