

# Calculating Biological Quantities

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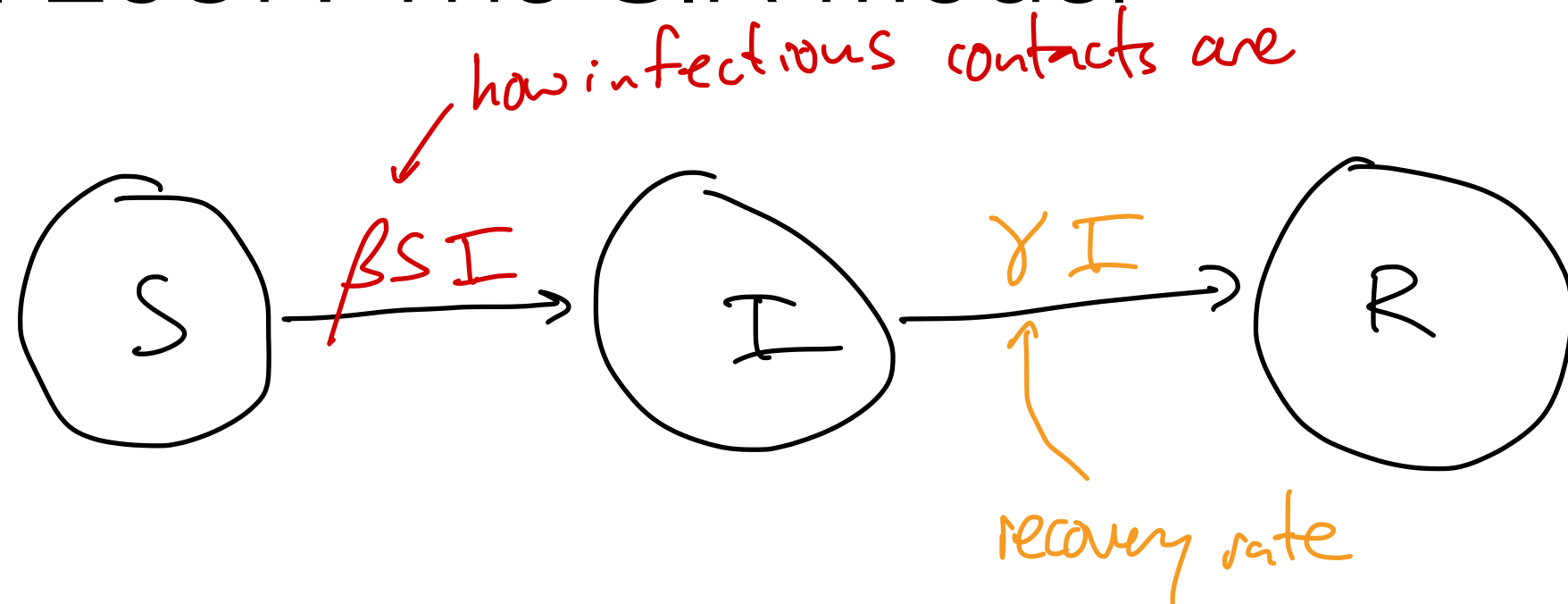
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# Last time on CSCI 2987: The SIR Model



$$\dot{S} = -\beta SI$$

$$\dot{I} = \beta SI - \gamma I$$

$$\dot{R} = \gamma I$$

Let's hop into Jupyter Notebooks to explore a bit.

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$$\equiv 0$$

$$\frac{dS}{dt} + \frac{dI}{dt} + \frac{dR}{dt} = 0$$

$$S + I + R = N$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dN}{dt} = 0$$

conservation of people!

# Rescaling the SIR model: people $\rightarrow$ population proportion

previously:  $S + I + R = N$

now:  $\frac{S}{N} + \frac{I}{N} + \frac{R}{N} = 1$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt}(x) = \frac{d}{dt}\left(\frac{x}{N}\right) = \frac{1}{N} \frac{dx}{dt}$$

$$s = \frac{S}{N} \quad i = \frac{I}{N} \quad r = \frac{R}{N}$$

$$\dot{s} = \frac{\dot{S}}{N} \quad \dot{i} = \frac{\dot{I}}{N} \quad \dot{r} = \frac{\dot{R}}{N}$$

$$\dot{s} = \frac{1}{N} (-\beta SI) = -\beta \frac{S}{N} \cdot \frac{I}{N} N = -\beta s i \cdot N = -\bar{\beta} s i$$

$$\dot{i} = \frac{1}{N} (\beta SI - \gamma I) = \bar{\beta} s i - \gamma i$$

$$\dot{r} = \frac{1}{N} (\gamma I) = \gamma \frac{I}{N} = \gamma i$$

$$\dot{r} = \gamma i$$

These rescaled equations represent rates of change of the popn fractions in  $S, I, R$ .

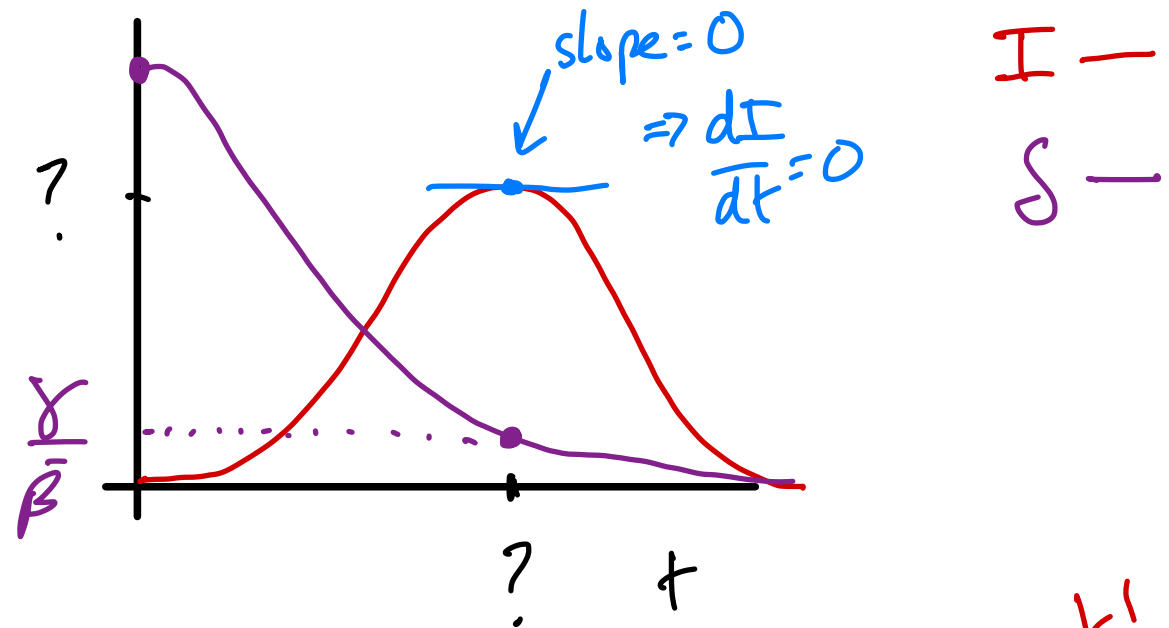
same?

$$\dot{s} = -\bar{\beta} s i$$

$$\dot{i} = \bar{\beta} s i - \gamma i$$

$$\dot{r} = \gamma i$$

# Analysis: when does the epidemic peak?



$$\frac{dI}{dt} = I (\bar{\beta} S - \gamma)$$

$I \geq 0$

could be +, when  $S < S^*$   
or - when  $S > S^*$   
(= 0 when  $S = S^*$ )

$$\frac{dI}{dt} = \bar{\beta} S I - \gamma I = 0$$

$$\bar{\beta} S I = \gamma I$$

$$\bar{\beta} S = \gamma$$

$$S^* = \frac{\gamma}{\bar{\beta}}$$

Sign of  $\dot{I}$  depends on  
the sign of  $\bar{\beta} S - \gamma$ !

$S > \frac{\gamma}{\bar{\beta}} \Rightarrow$  growth of I

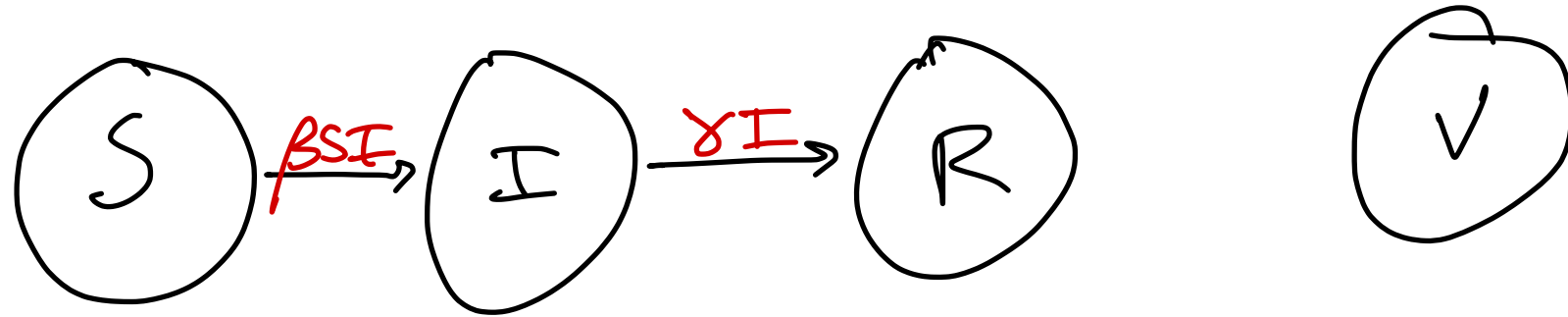
$S < \frac{\gamma}{\bar{\beta}} \Rightarrow$  decline of I.

$$S^* = \frac{1}{R_0}$$

# Analysis: how might we model a simple vaccine?

$$v > 1 - \frac{1}{R_0}$$

- Suppose we vaccinate a fraction  $v$  of the population.



$$S + I + R + v = 1$$

- How many people do we need to put in  $V$  so that  $\dot{I} < 0$ ?  
no epidemic!

from last slide:

$S > \frac{\gamma}{\beta} \Rightarrow$  growth of  $I$

$S < \frac{\gamma}{\beta} \Rightarrow$  decline of  $I$ .

$$S = 1 - I - R - V < \frac{\gamma}{\beta}$$

total pop. equation

$$1 - V < \frac{\gamma}{\beta}$$

$$-V < \frac{\gamma}{\beta} - 1$$

no epidemic  
if vac fraction exceeds  $1 - \frac{\gamma}{\beta}$

"herd immunity"

$$v > 87\% \text{ (students)}$$

$$v > 90\% \text{ (staff, fac.)}$$

$$v > 1 - \frac{\gamma}{\beta}$$

Analysis: how does vaccination create “herd immunity”?

$v > 1 - \frac{\gamma}{\beta}$  means  $\dot{I} < 0$  which means epidemic dies out.

vaccination does this by decreasing  
the proportion of the pop'n that  
is susceptible!

# Analysis: the basic reproductive number

$R_0$  : # of new infections caused by each existing infection  
(over the entire duration of the first infection)  
"R naught" in an otherwise completely susceptible population.

this R is not

Recovered,

It's R as in

"Reproduction."

$$\dot{S} = -\beta SI$$

new infections (per time) =  $\beta SI$

$$\dot{I} = \beta SI - \gamma I$$

new infections per time  
per infected person

$$= \frac{\beta SI}{I} = \beta S$$

How many total <sup>new</sup> infections <sup>are created</sup> over the course of  
a single infection?

Duration of a typical infection:  $\frac{1}{\gamma}$

$$\Rightarrow R_0 = \left. \frac{\beta S}{\gamma} \right|_{S=1} = \frac{\beta}{\gamma}$$

$$R_0 = \frac{\beta}{\gamma}$$

# Linearization and Stability

The big question with an infectious agent is: **will we get an epidemic?**

Recall:  $I=0$  is an equilibrium.

Imagine:  $I = 0 + \text{tiny tiny nudge}$

Does an epidemic take off?

yes  
↓

$I=0$  was  
an unstable  
equilibrium

no  
↓

$I=0$  was  
a stable  
equilibrium

$$\dot{I} = \beta SI - \gamma I$$

$$I = \text{very small} = \varepsilon \quad \dot{I} = \dot{\varepsilon}$$

$$S = 1 - I = 1 - \varepsilon$$

$$\dot{\varepsilon} = \beta(1 - \varepsilon)\varepsilon - \gamma\varepsilon$$

$$\dot{\varepsilon} = \beta\varepsilon - \cancel{\beta\varepsilon^2} - \gamma\varepsilon$$

ignore  $\varepsilon^2$  terms. too small!

$$\dot{\varepsilon} = \beta\varepsilon - \gamma\varepsilon$$

$$\dot{\varepsilon} = (\beta - \gamma)\varepsilon$$

$$\varepsilon(t) = k e^{(\beta - \gamma)t}$$

$$\dot{x} = cx$$



# Linearization and Stability

The big question with an infectious agent is: **will we get an epidemic?**

$$\varepsilon(t) = k e^{(\beta - \gamma)t}$$

When does  $\varepsilon(t)$  grow?

$$\beta - \gamma > 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \beta > \gamma \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{\beta}{\gamma} > 1 \quad \rightarrow R_0 > 1$$

(unstable)

When does it shrink?

$$\beta - \gamma < 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \beta < \gamma \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{\beta}{\gamma} < 1 \quad \rightarrow R_0 < 1$$

(stable)

# Summary: The SIR Model

$$\dot{S} = -\beta SI$$

$$\dot{I} = \beta SI - \gamma I$$

$$\dot{R} = \gamma I$$

where  $S + I + R = 1$

$$\implies \dot{S} + \dot{I} + \dot{R} = 0$$

**Equilibrium when:**

$$I = 0$$

**Epidemic peak:**

$$S^* = \frac{\gamma}{\beta}$$

**Herd Immunity (vaccination)**

$$v > 1 - \frac{\gamma}{\beta}$$

**Basic Reproduction Number**

$$R_0 = \frac{\beta}{\gamma}$$