



# COVID 19 SIRQ Model and its implications

EcoLab-UMN Competition team

Jimmy Broomfield

Tianyi Sun

Hena Ghoni

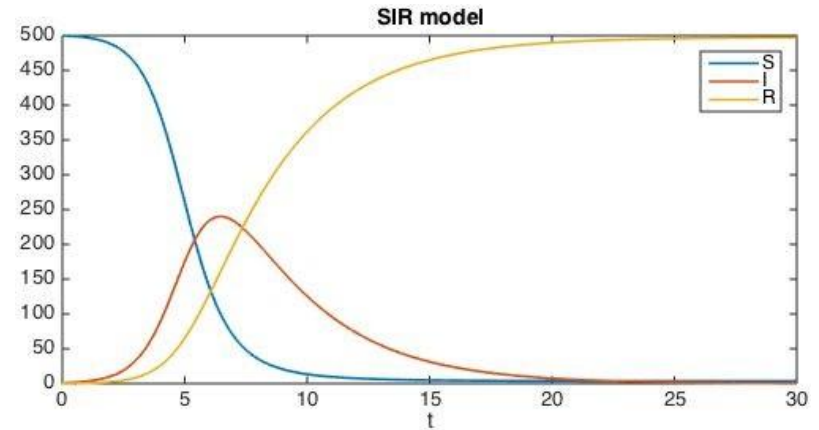
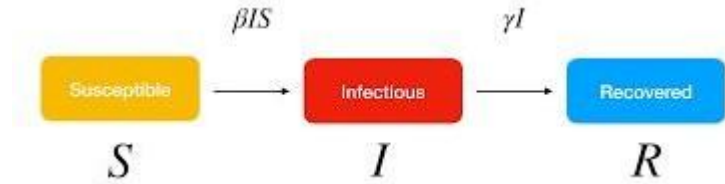
Khoi Mai

# Agenda

- SIR and SIRQ Model Basics
- SIRQ Model Results
- Confirmed Cases - Numbers  
vs Reality
- Simulations and the Future

## Section I -

# SIR and SIRQ Models



# The SIR Model

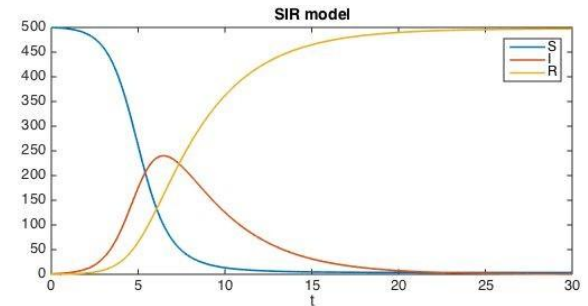
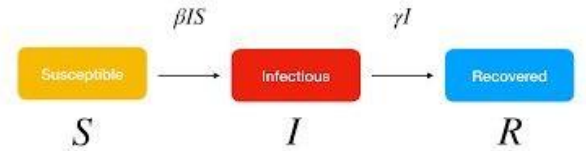
## Defining Variables:

- Susceptible (S) - Number of people able to get disease
- Infected (I) - Number of people with disease who are able to spread it
- Recovered (R) - Number of people who are no longer contagious and are now immune to disease
- Beta ( $\beta$ ) - Rate disease spreads among infected, depends on many factors
- Gamma ( $\gamma$ ) - Rate infected people recover, relatively static

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = -\beta SI$$

$$\frac{dI}{dt} = \beta SI - \gamma I$$

$$\frac{dR}{dt} = \gamma I$$



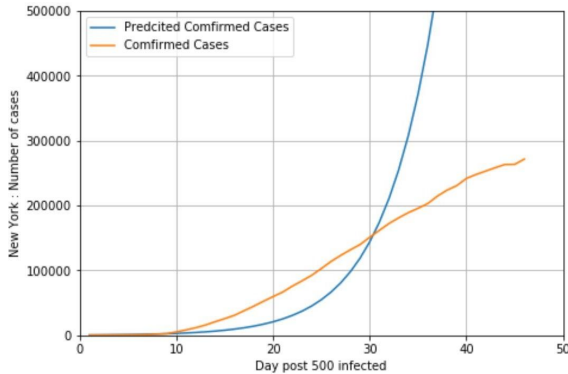
# SIR Model Drawbacks - New York Covid

Low  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$

$$\beta = 0.2$$

$$\gamma = 0.005$$

Starts too slow, still takes off

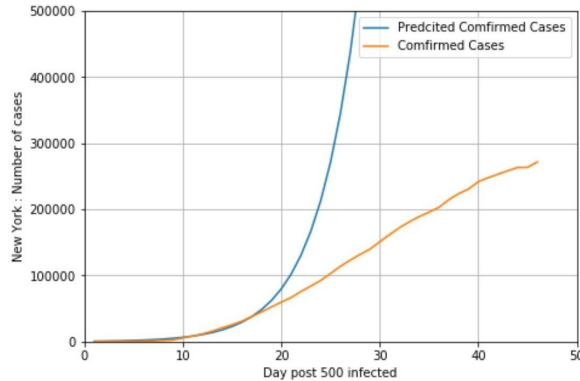


Medium  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$

$$\beta = 0.35$$

$$\gamma = 0.1$$

Starts correct, takes off quickly

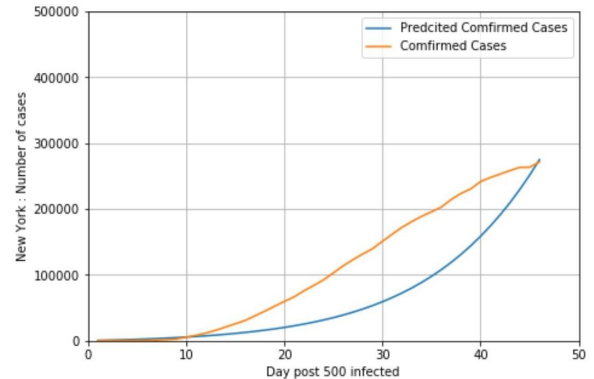


Large  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$

$$\beta = 0.7$$

$$\gamma = 0.6$$

Starts low, stays low



# The SIRQ Model

Same variables as the SIR model,  
plus two new ones

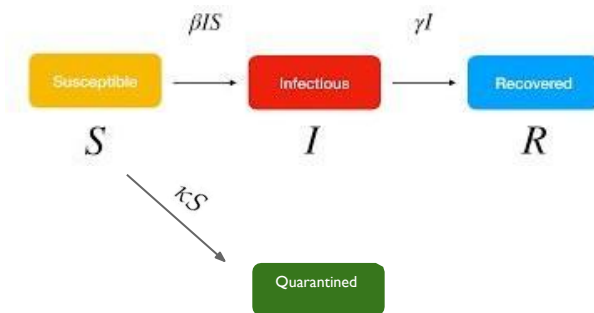
- Quarantine (Q) - Number of people who have not been infected or recovered, but are still unable to get the disease due to quarantining/social distancing
- Kappa ( $\kappa$ ) - Rate at which people quarantine

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = -\beta SI - \kappa S$$

$$\frac{dI}{dt} = \beta SI - \gamma I$$

$$\frac{dR}{dt} = \gamma I$$

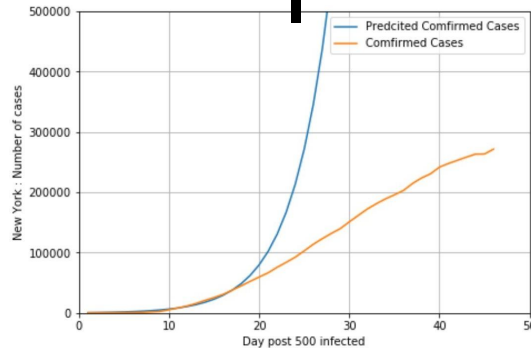
$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = \kappa S$$



# SIRQ Model Benefits with COVID 19

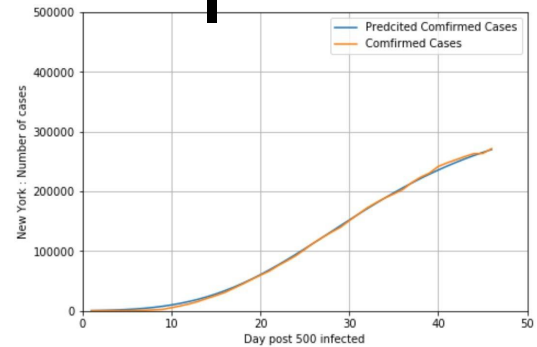
- Addresses issue with quarantining
- Give much more effective models for data
- Still allows for very high infectious rate, without constant exponential growth
- Could be used to simulate re-introduction of population from quarantine

## SIR Mode



$$\beta = 0.35$$
$$\gamma = 0.1$$

## SIRQ Mode

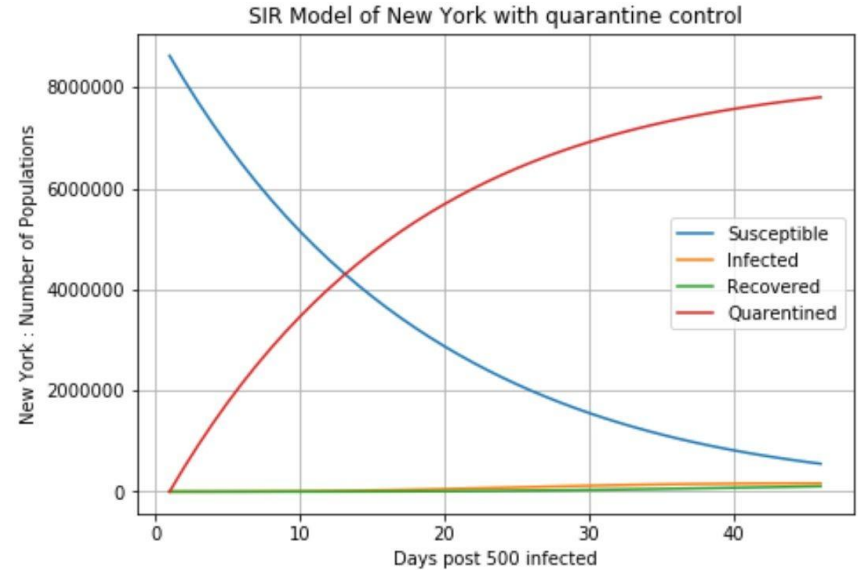


$$\beta = 0.45$$
$$\gamma = 0.03$$
$$\kappa = 0.057$$



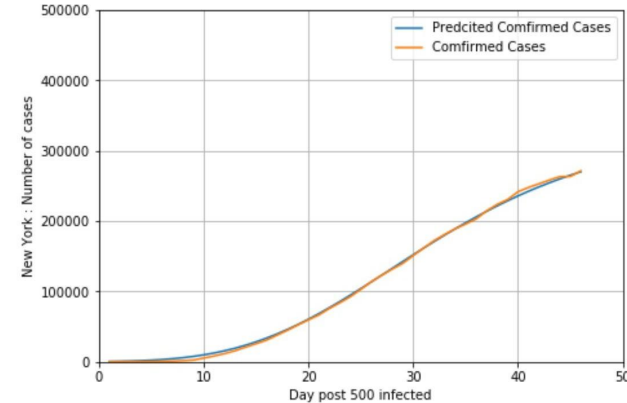
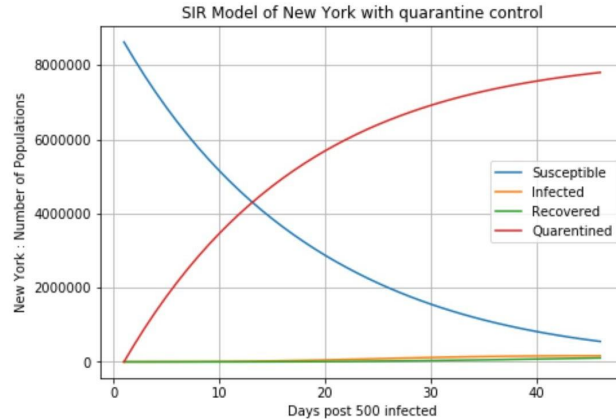
## Section II -

# SIRQ Model Results



# SIRQ Model Real World Example - New York

- Many infections and therefore a smooth curve with few spikes
- Strong Quarantine Actions taken
- Model predicts majority of population in Quarantine



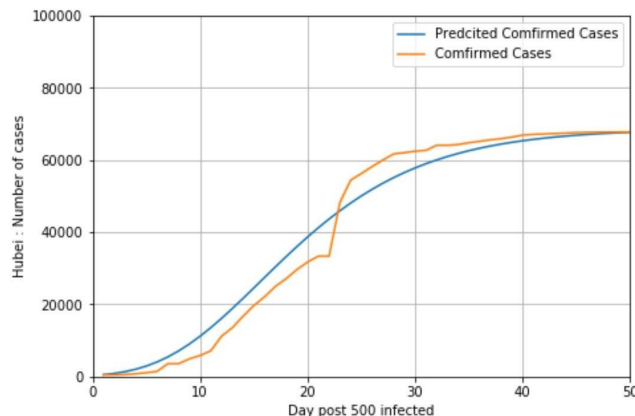
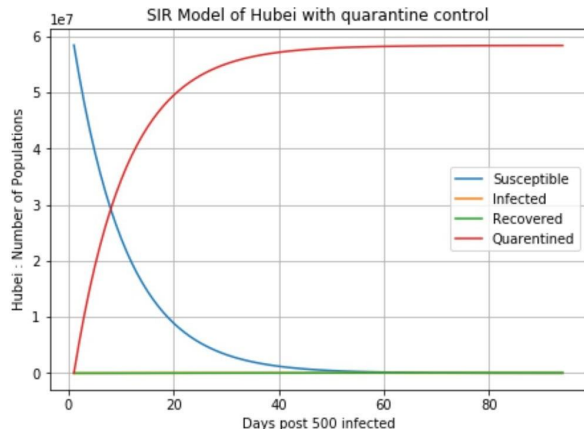
$$\beta = 0.45$$

$$\gamma = 0.03$$

$$\kappa = 0.057$$

# SIRQ Model Real World Example - Hubei

- Due to redefinition of “infected”, data has some spikes
- Infection spread even faster than New York ( $\beta = 0.55$  vs.  $\beta = 0.45$ )
- Very Strong Quarantine Actions taken ( $\kappa = 0.099$  much higher than in New York ( $\kappa = 0.057$ ))
- Similar Recovery Rate - expected since this is mostly a function of virus
- Model predicts majority of population in Quarantine



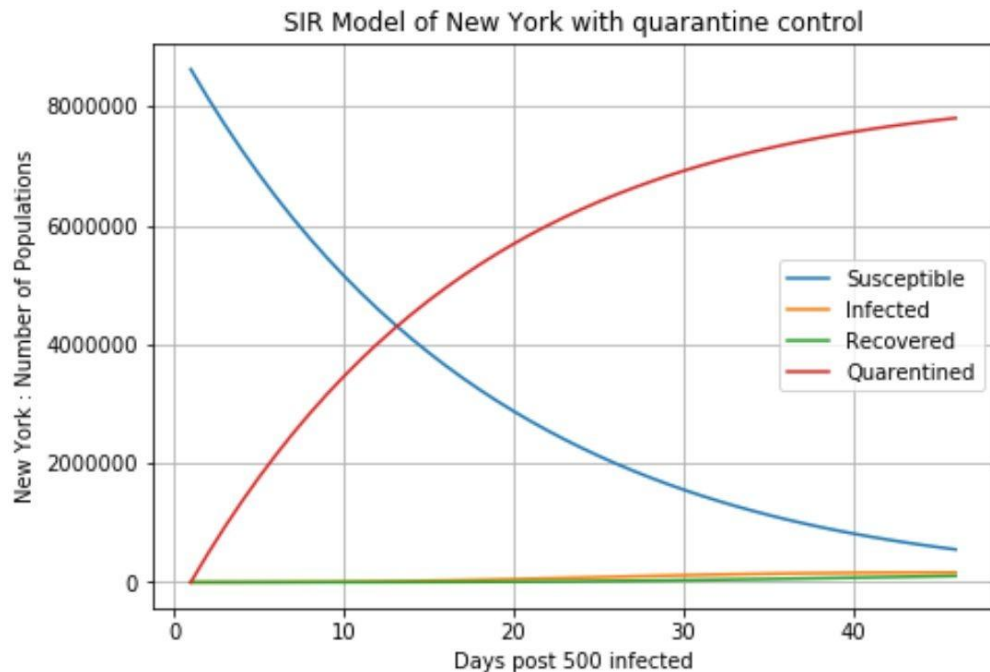
$$\beta = 0.55$$

$$\gamma = 0.03$$

$$\kappa = 0.099$$

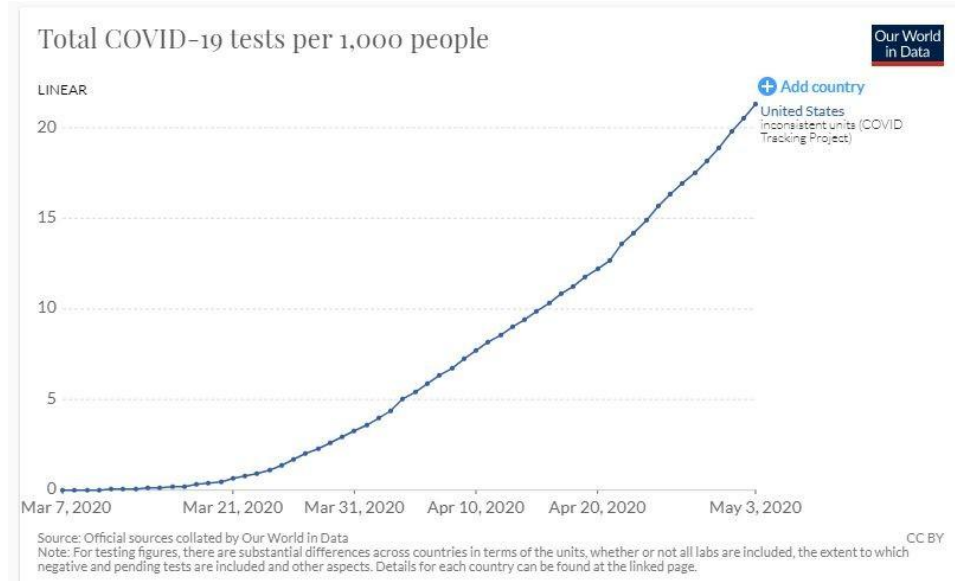
# SIRQ Implications - What is Q?

- Looking back at New York, model predicts most of population “In Quarantine”
- If those people were let out, another large spike is likely...or is it?
- The model is trained on “Confirmed Cases” and evaluated on same
- What about unconfirmed cases?



## Section III -

# Confirmed Cases - Numbers vs Reality



# Confirmed Cases vs. Total Cases - The Gap

- Testing is both expensive and rare
- Test rates increase over time
- Testing is done primarily on individuals with obvious symptoms
- COVID 19 has numerous reports of people with no symptoms testing positive
- Locations with high test rates report significant number of asymptomatic cases
- US test rate is ~0.2% of population as comparison

Diamond Princess -  
100% Tested



50% of Cases  
Asymptomatic with  
100% Test Rate

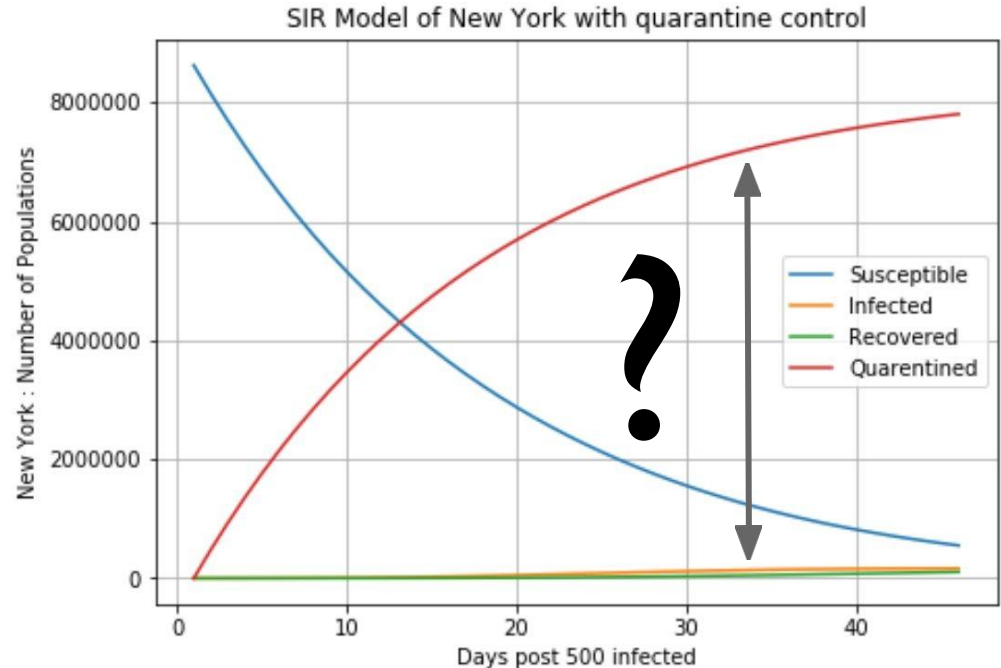
Iceland -  
6% Tested



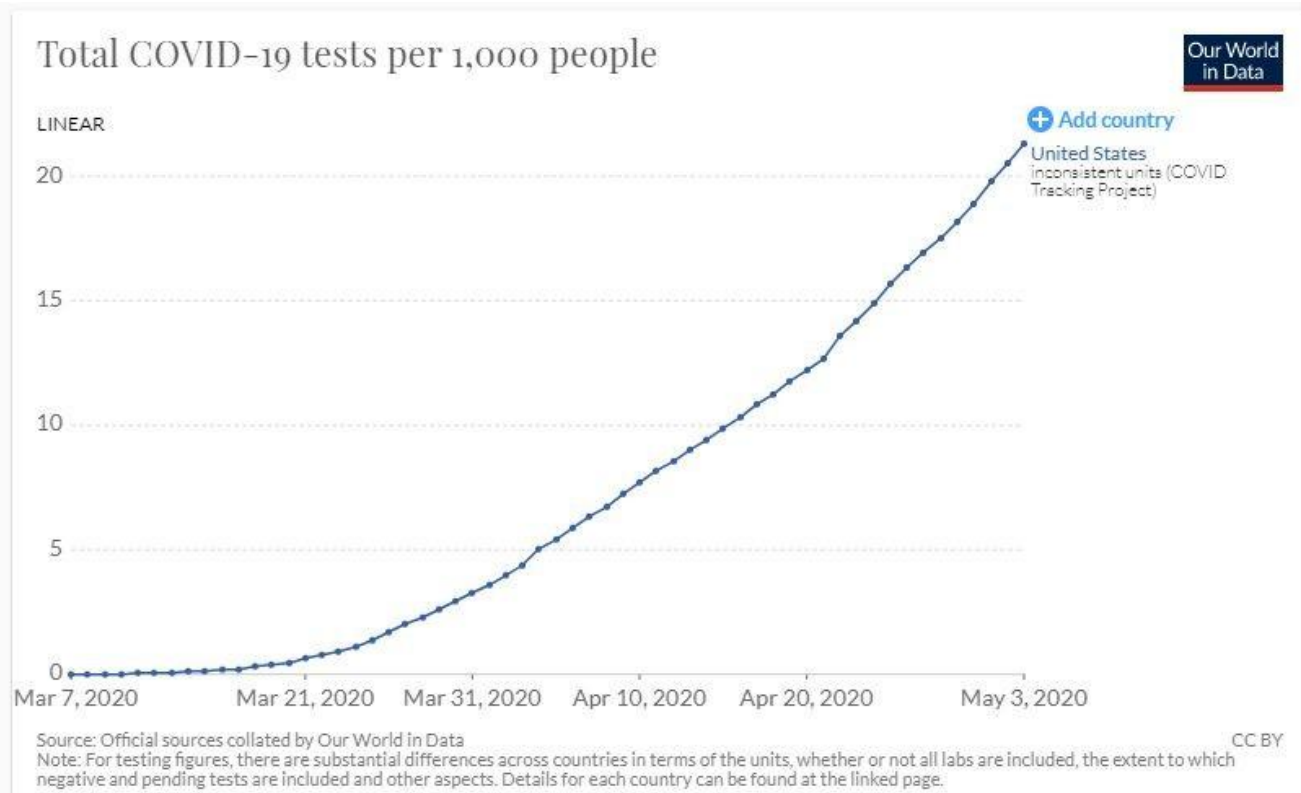
Harvard/MIT  
collaboration estimates  
88-94% of cases were  
missed by government  
mandated testing

# The “Hidden Recovered” in the SIRQ Model

- Current model treats all those in Q as still possibly susceptible when re-opening of society occurs
- We know for certain that there is a section of the population that has been infected and recovered without being tested
- This gap between confirmed cases and actual cases leads to the “Hidden Recovered” (HR)

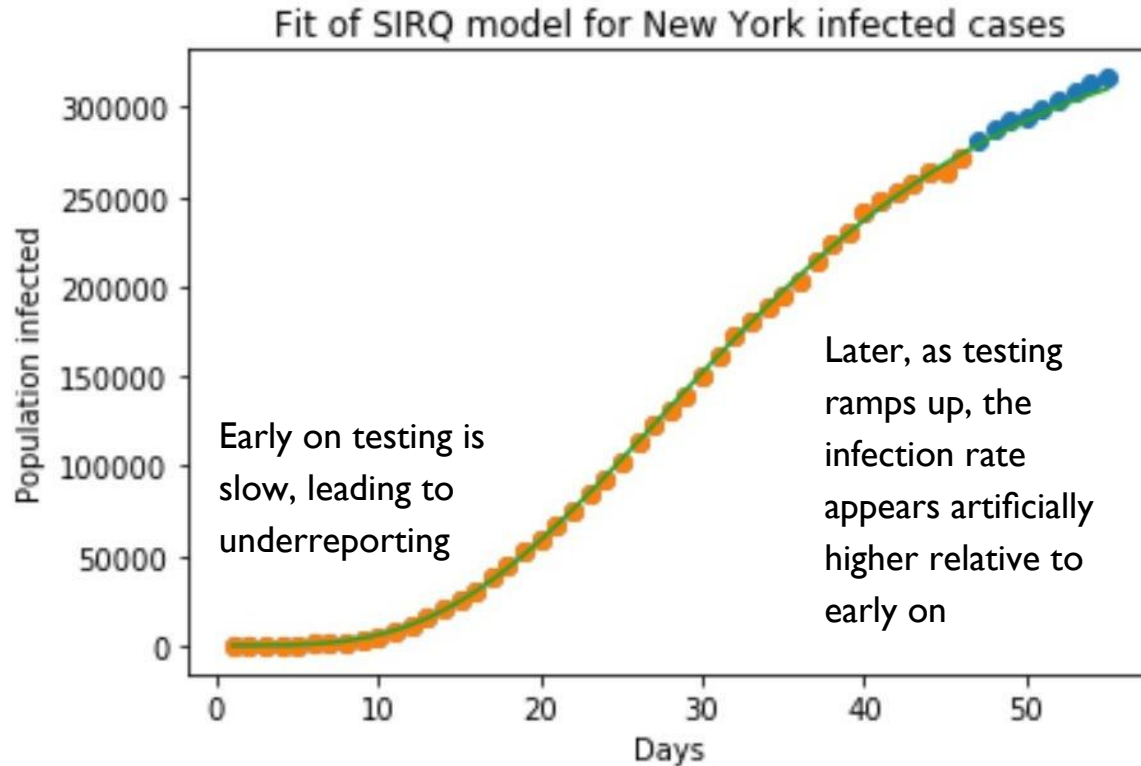


# Increasing Testing Rates



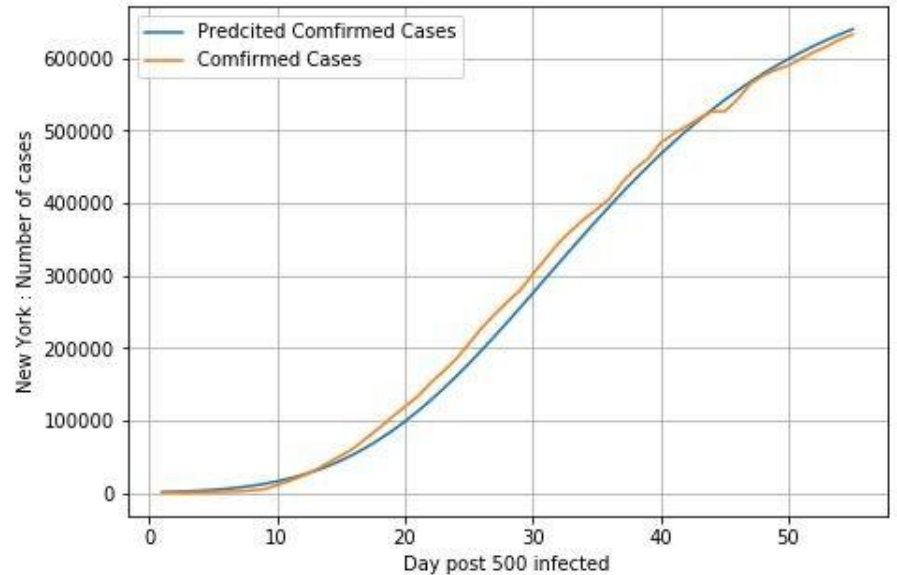
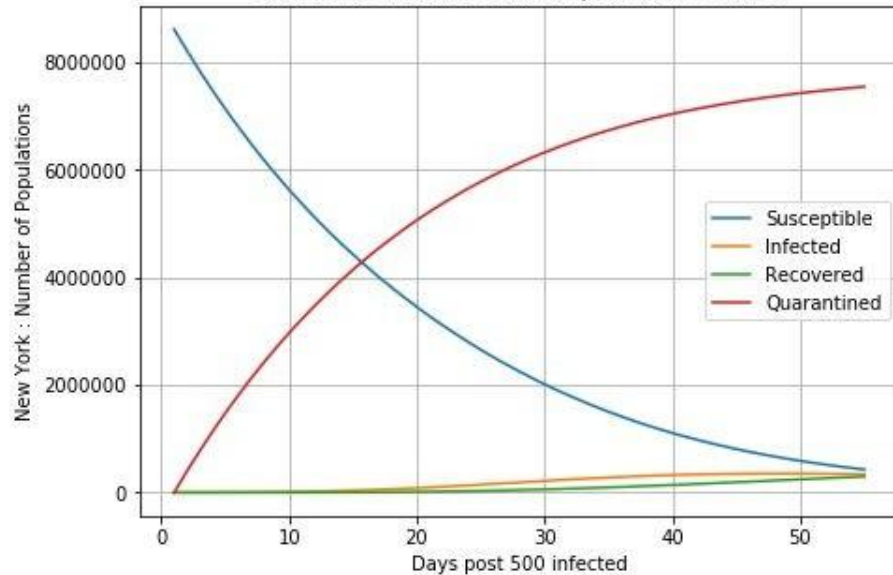


# Data Biases and Other Issues

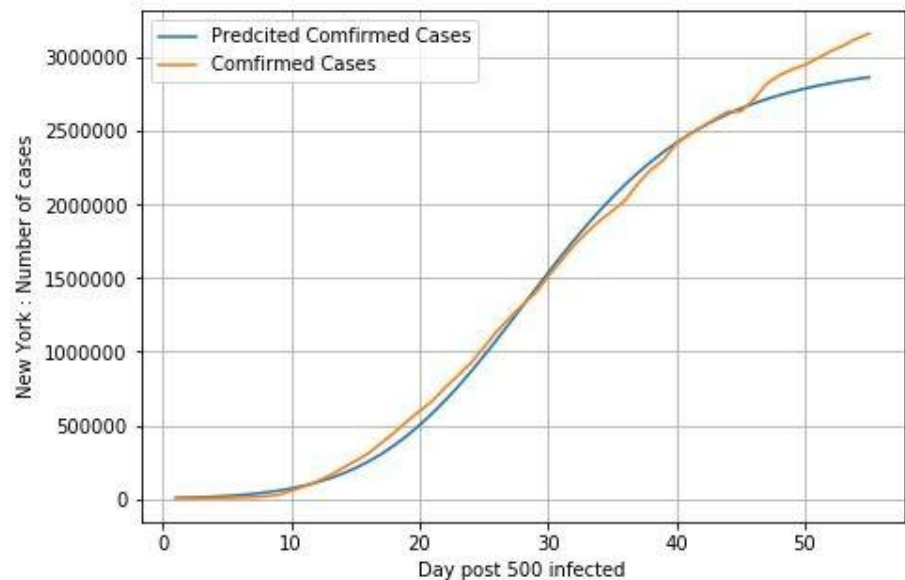
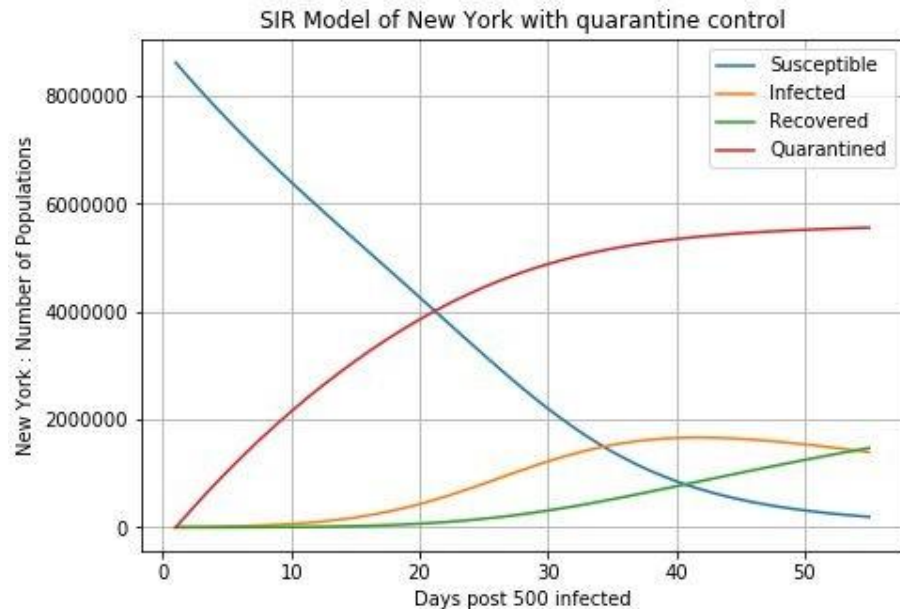


# Corrected Data and Re-Modeling - 2x infected

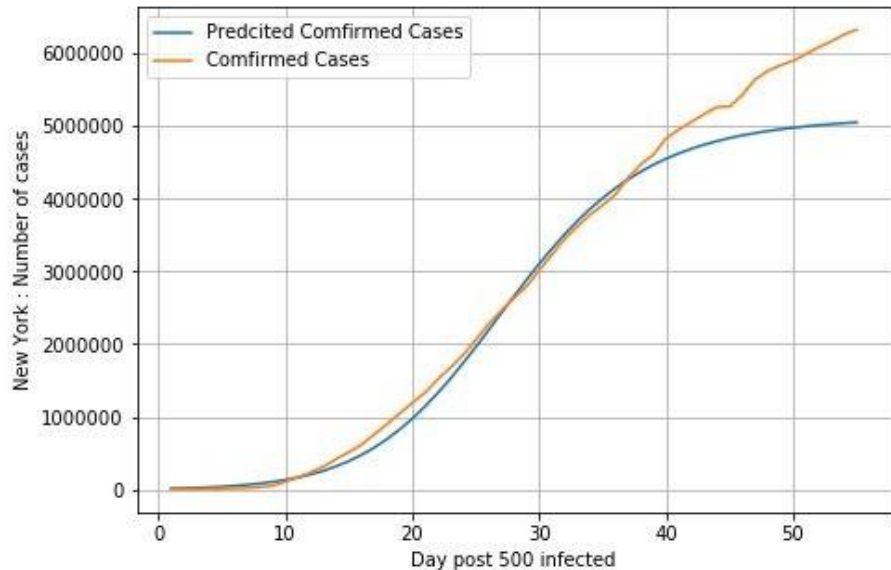
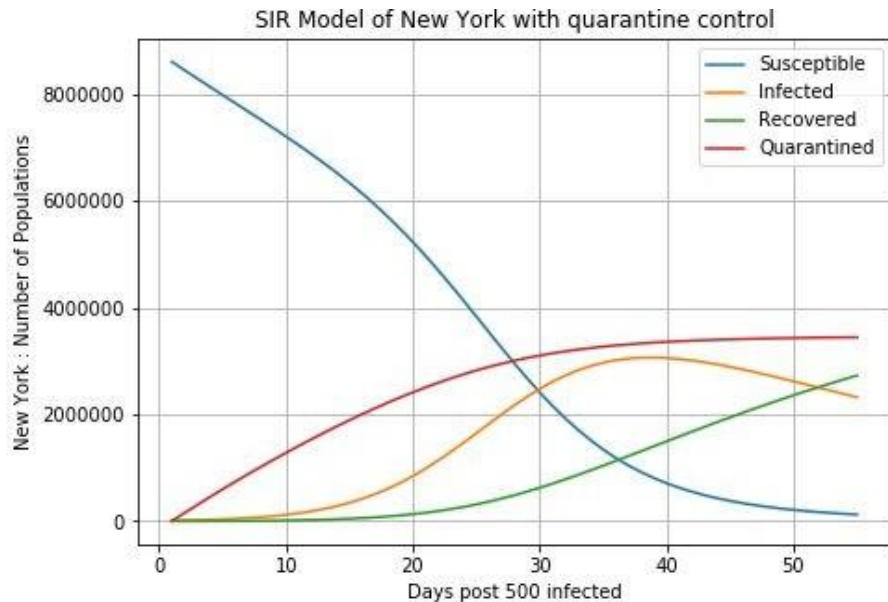
SIR Model of New York with quarantine control



# Corrected Data and Re-Modeling - 10x infected



# Corrected Data and Re-Modeling - 20x infected



# Antibody Testing

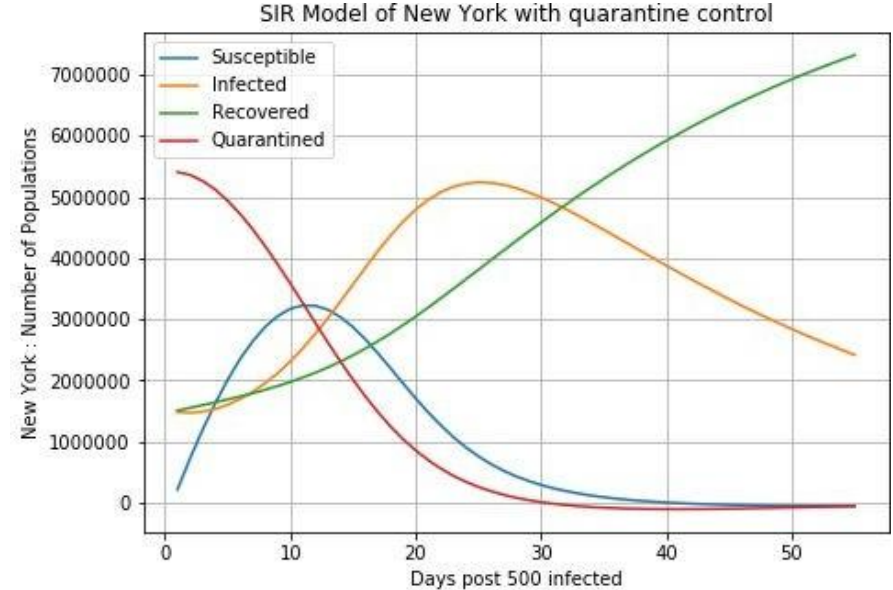
- New York Testing of shoppers estimates ~15% of population has antibodies
- It is unclear if antibody testing is positive for those currently still infectious or not

SIRQ Models - New York

Infected Factor	1	2	10	20
Recovered	1.7%	3%	17%	31%
Recovered + Infected	3.7%	7%	34%	58%
Susceptible+ Quarentined	96.3%	93%	66%	42%

## Section IV -

# Simulations and the Future



# The SIRQ Reverse Model

Same variables as the SIRQ model,  
with people now leaving quarantine  
instead of entering

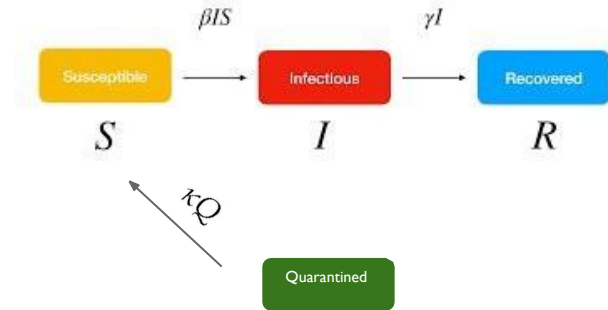
- Quarantine (Q) - Number of people who have not been infected or recovered, but are still unable to get the disease due to quarantining/social distancing
- Kappa ( $\kappa$ ) - Rate at which people LEAVE quarantine

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = -\beta SI + \kappa Q$$

$$\frac{dI}{dt} = \beta SI - \gamma I$$

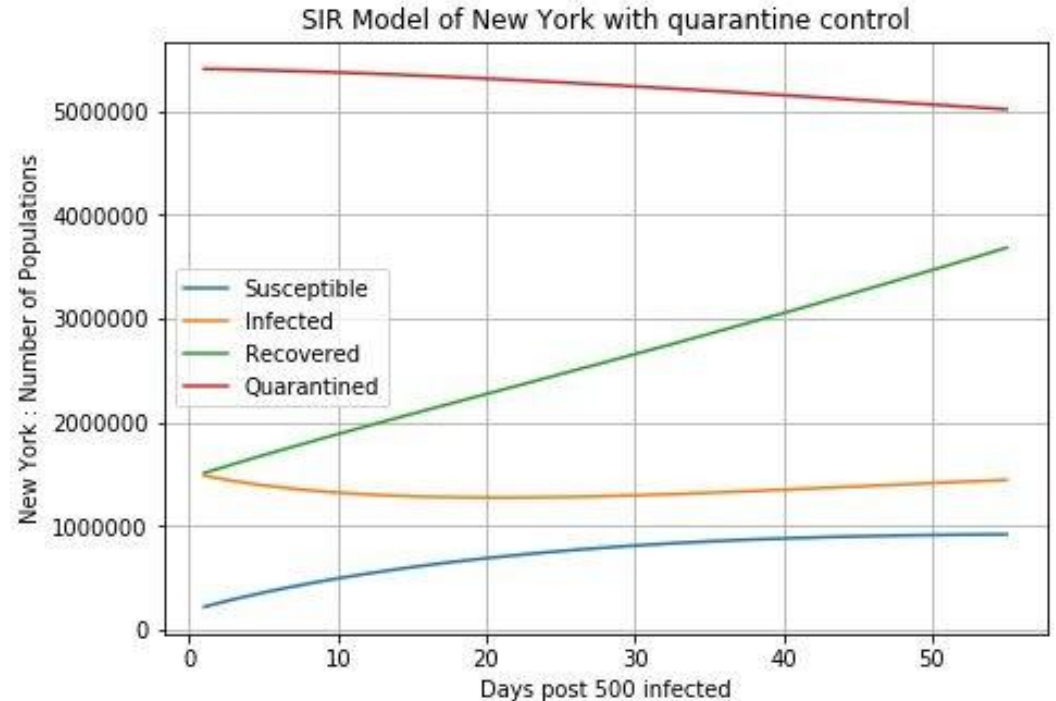
$$\frac{dR}{dt} = \gamma I$$

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = -\kappa Q$$



# A best case scenario - based off 10x infectfactor

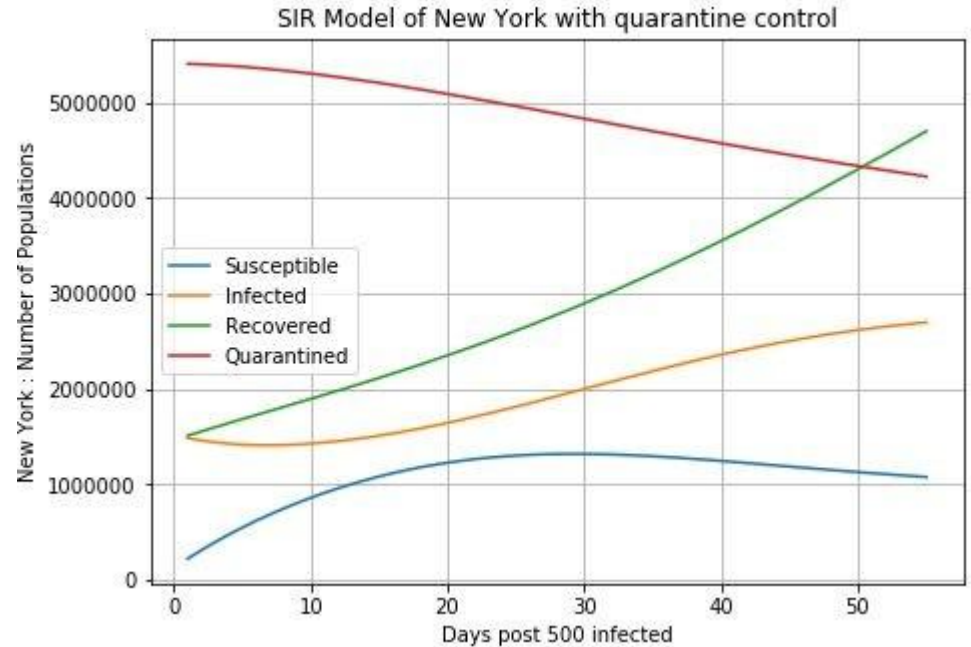
- People exit quarantine slowly and the infection rate remains steady
- This assumes hospitals can handle the current infection rate for an extended period of time





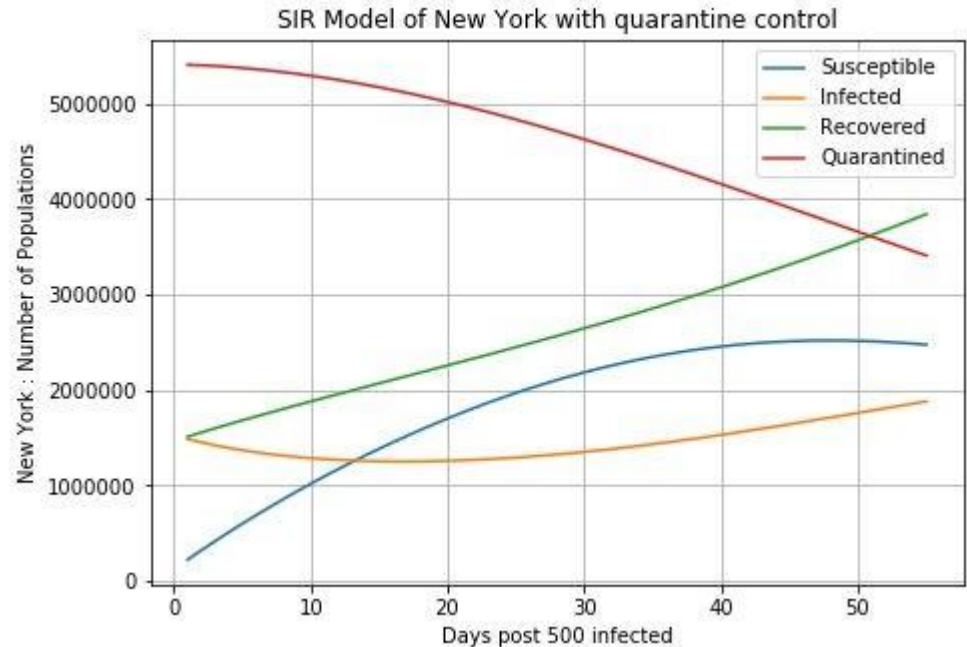
# A “best guess” estimate

- People exit quarantine reasonably and the infection rate goes up some but doesn't spike
- Hospitals will need some increased capacity, but not an exponential amount



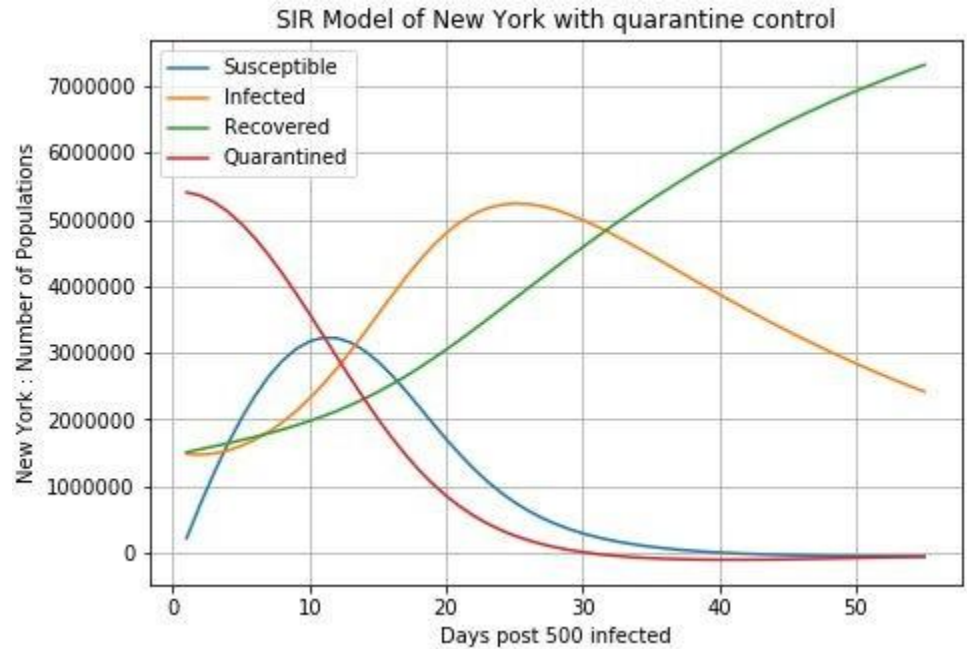
# A “best guess” estimate - reduced infection rate

- People exit quarantine reasonably and the infection rate initially decreases and then balances out
- The new “culture” of social distancing halves the infectivity rate of Coronavirus
- Hospitals will need only to hold current capacity



# A bad case scenario

- People exit quarantine very quickly and a huge spike in cases happens
- Hospitals will be overwhelmed



# Using new data to inform policy

- As quarantine is released, the shape of the infection curve is likely to match one of the simulations, make sure it matches the one we want.
- Quarantine release should pay close attention to hospital resources.
- As testing improves, re-factor models to include more accurate data.

# Sources, Thanks, and Questions?

## **Estimates of the Undetected Rate among the SARS-CoV-2 Infected using Testing Data from Iceland**

James H. Stock<sup>a</sup>, Karl M. Aspelund<sup>b</sup>, Michael Droste<sup>a</sup>, Christopher D. Walker<sup>a</sup>

April 6, 2020

T.W. Russell et al. [Estimating the infection and case fatality ratio for COVID-19 using age-adjusted data from the outbreak on the \*Diamond Princess\* cruise ship](#). medRxiv.org. March 9, 2020. doi: 10.1101/2020.03.05.20031773

JOHNS HOPKINS  
UNIVERSITY & MEDICINE

CORONAVIRUS  
RESOURCE CENTER