

Parameter Estimation and Simulation of Bacteriophage Infection Model

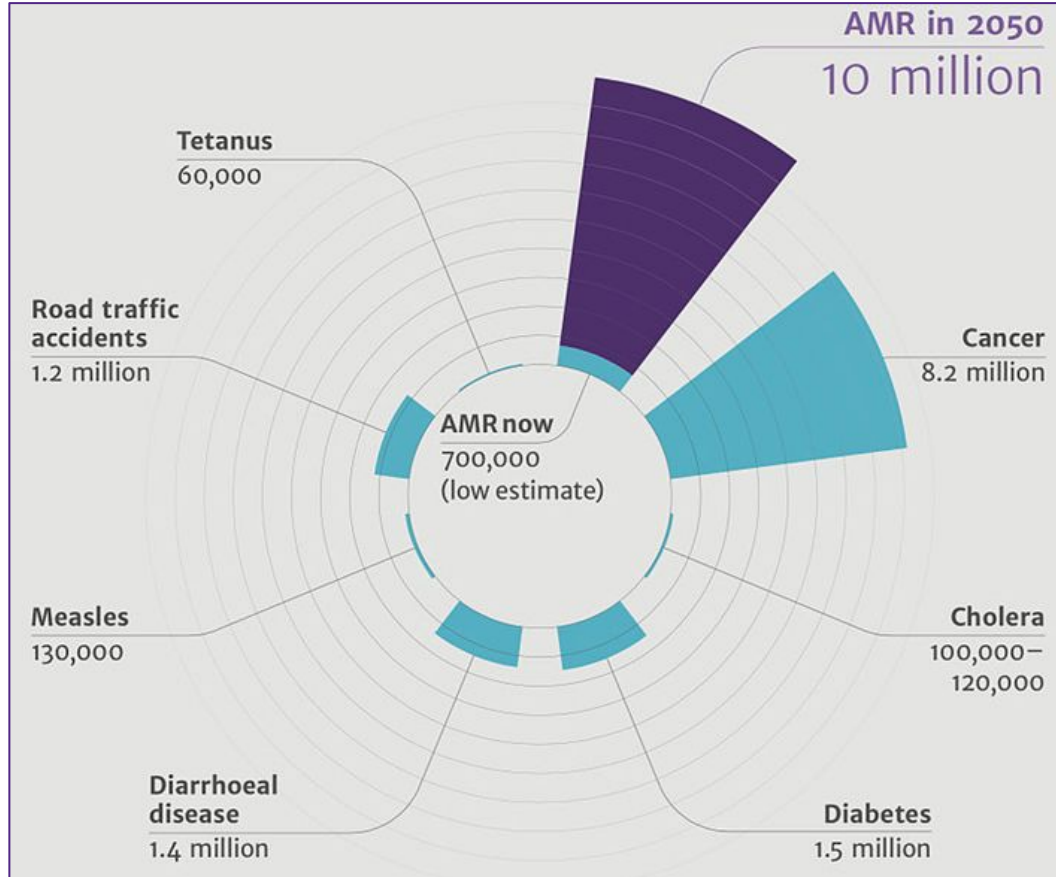
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Projected Prognosis



2020

► **700,000 deaths** from **AMR** infections

2030

► **24 million** people forced into **extreme poverty**

2050

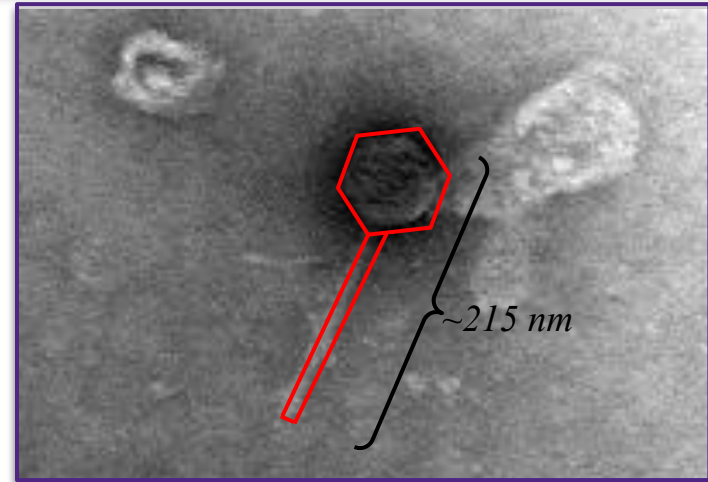
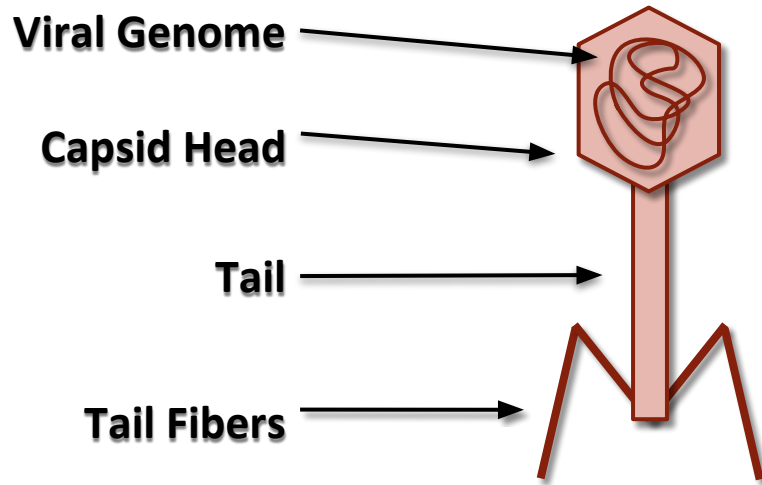
► **10 Million deaths** from **AMR**
► **Economic damage** akin to 2008-2009 **global financial crisis**



Bacteriophage Background

Bacteriophages

- **Viruses** that infect **bacteria**
- Estimated **10^{31}** bacteriophages in the biosphere

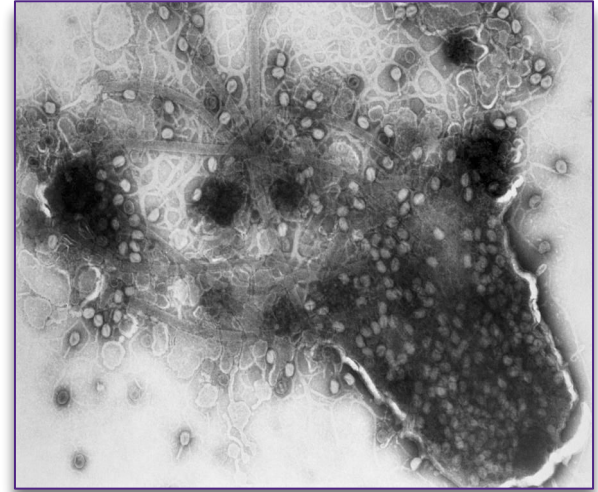


*TEM Scan of Microbacterium Phage **Finny***

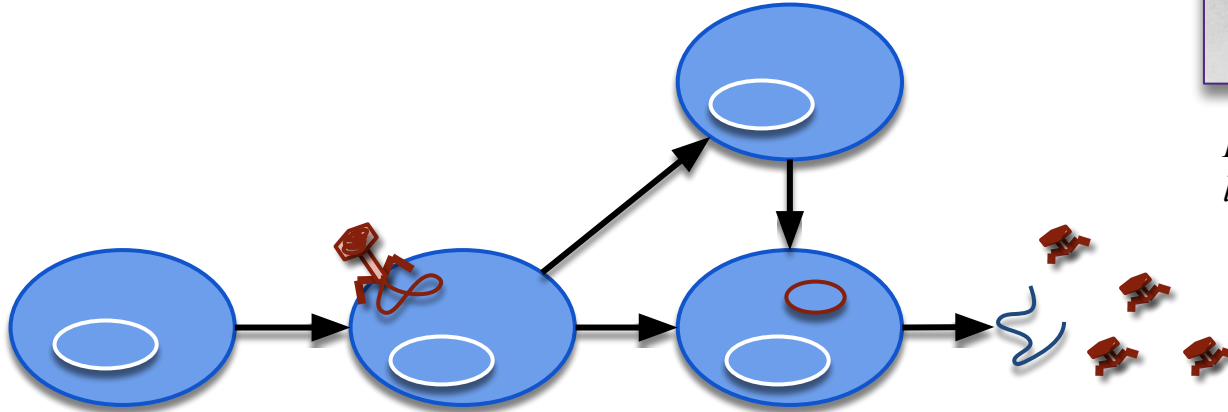
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Bacteriophages

- Two infection types: **Lytic** and **Lysogenic**
- **Lysogenic** bacteriophages become **reservoir** hosts
- **Lytic** bacteriophages **produce more** bacteriophages
- Infectious bacteriophage particles called virions



*Bacteriophage T4 in a lytic infection lysing, and subsequently killing, *E. coli**



Compartmental Diagram

S - Susceptible bacteria

C - Circularized phage genome, choose between lytic and lysogenic infection

I - Lytic bacteria

R - Lysogenic reservoir bacteria

V - Virions created

α - Infection rate

β - Infected to lytic

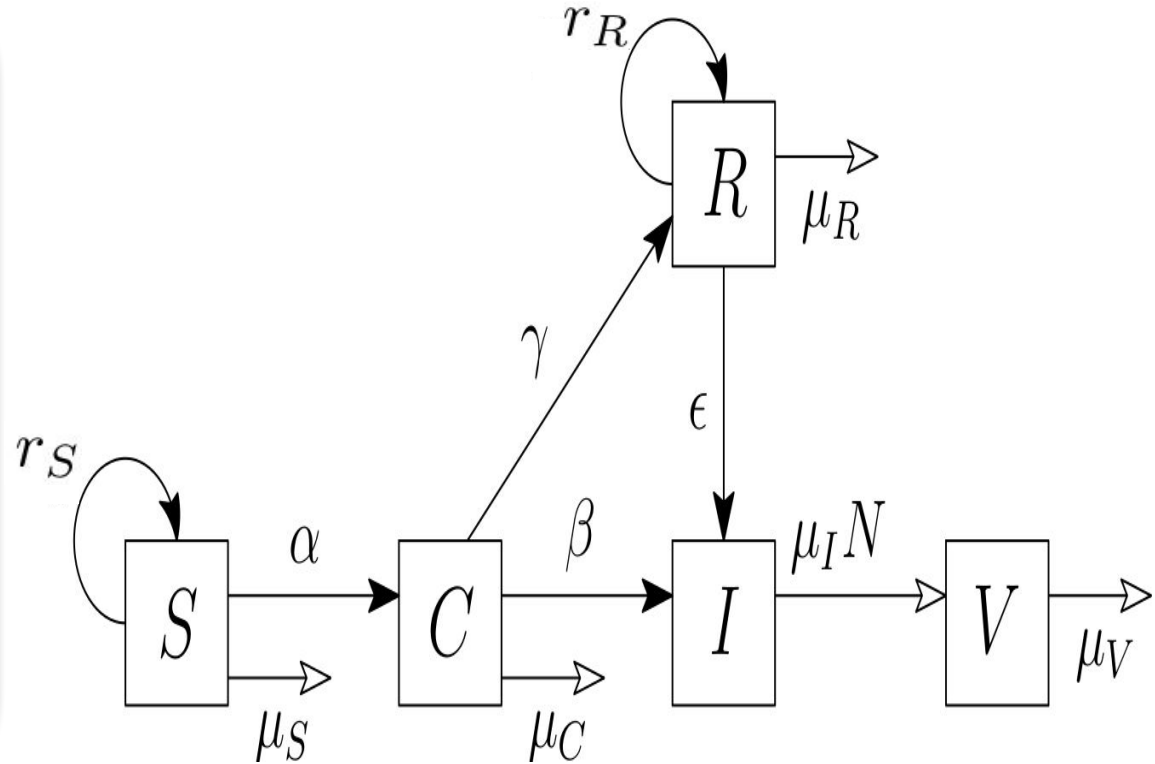
γ - Infected to lysogenic

ϵ - Lysogenic to lytic

μ - Death rate of a class

r_S - Replication rate of the S class

r_R - Replication rate of the R class



System of Differential Equations

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = r_S S \left(1 - \frac{S + C + I + R}{\mathbb{K}} \right) - \mu_S S - \alpha S V$$

$$\frac{dC}{dt} = \alpha S V - (\mu_C + \beta + \gamma) C$$

$$\frac{dI}{dt} = \beta C - \mu_I I + \epsilon R$$

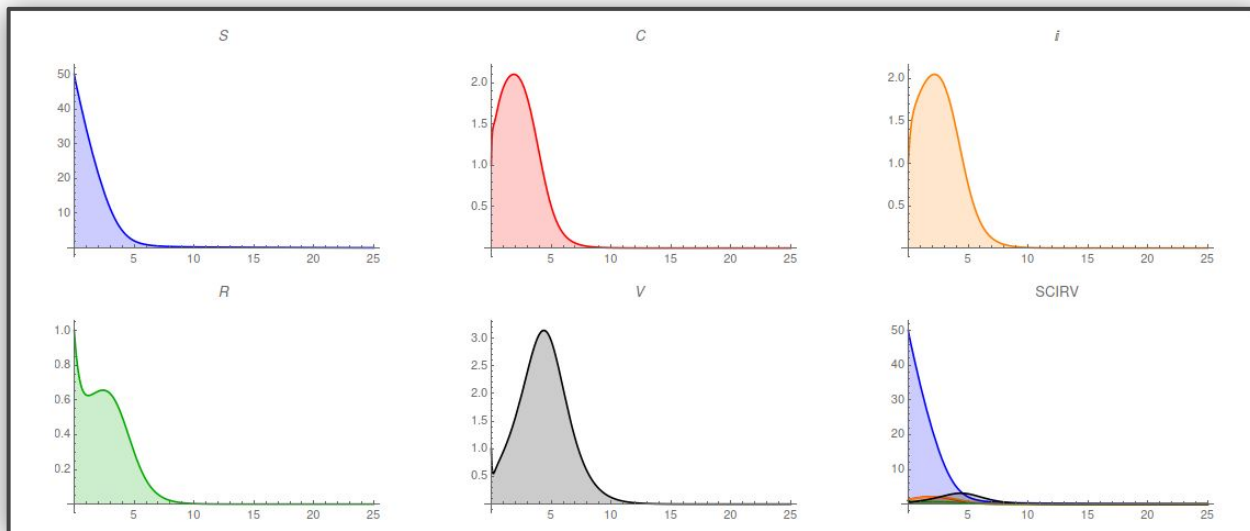
$$\frac{dR}{dt} = r_R R \left(1 - \frac{S + C + I + R}{\mathbb{K}} \right) + \gamma C - (\epsilon + \mu_R) R$$

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = \mu_I N I - \mu_V V - \alpha S V.$$

Search for Stability: Extinction

Theorem 1 (Extinction Stability for Constant Carrying Capacity, One Phage Only). *The extinction equilibrium is locally asymptotically stable provided*

$$r_S < \mu_S \quad \text{and} \quad r_R < \mu_R + \epsilon.$$



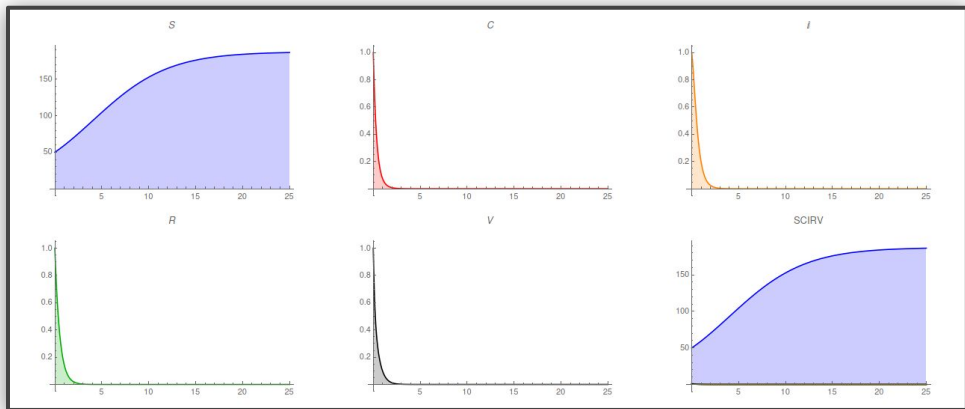
Search for Stability: Bacterial Survival

Theorem 2 (Stability of $(\bar{S}, 0, 0, 0, 0)$ for Constant Carrying Capacity, One Phage Only). Suppose $r_S > \mu_S$ so that $\bar{S} = \frac{\mathbb{K}(r_S - \mu_S)}{r_S} > 0$. Further assume that $\mu_V > N\mu_I$. Then, a sufficient criteria for local asymptotic stability is

$$\alpha < \min \left\{ \frac{\beta + \gamma + \mu_C}{\bar{S}}, \mu_V - N\mu_I \bar{S} \right\}$$

$$\mu_I > \beta + \epsilon$$

$$\gamma < \epsilon + \mu_R - \frac{\mu_S r_R}{r_S}.$$



Search for Stability: IRV Survival

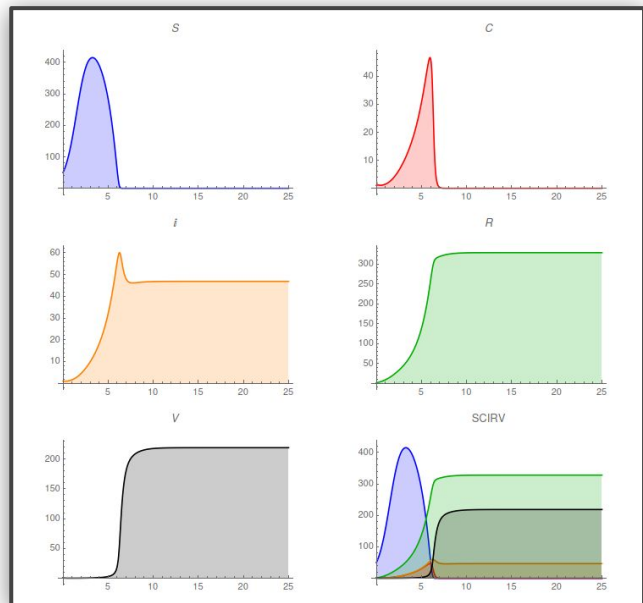
Theorem 3 (Stability Criterion for *IRV* Equilibrium for Constant Carrying Capacity, One Phage Only). Assume $r_R > \mu_R + \epsilon$. The equilibrium

$$(\bar{S}, \bar{C}, \bar{I}, \bar{R}, \bar{V}) = \left(0, 0, \frac{\epsilon \bar{R}}{\mu_I}, \bar{R}, \frac{N \epsilon \bar{R}}{\mu_V} \right),$$

$$\bar{R} = \frac{\mathbb{K} \mu_I (r_R - \epsilon - \mu_R)}{r_R (\epsilon + \mu_I)}$$

is locally asymptotically stable provided

$$r_S < \frac{r_R (\alpha \bar{V} + \mu_S)}{\epsilon + \mu_R} \quad \text{and} \quad r_R > \mu_R - \mu_I.$$



Future Directions

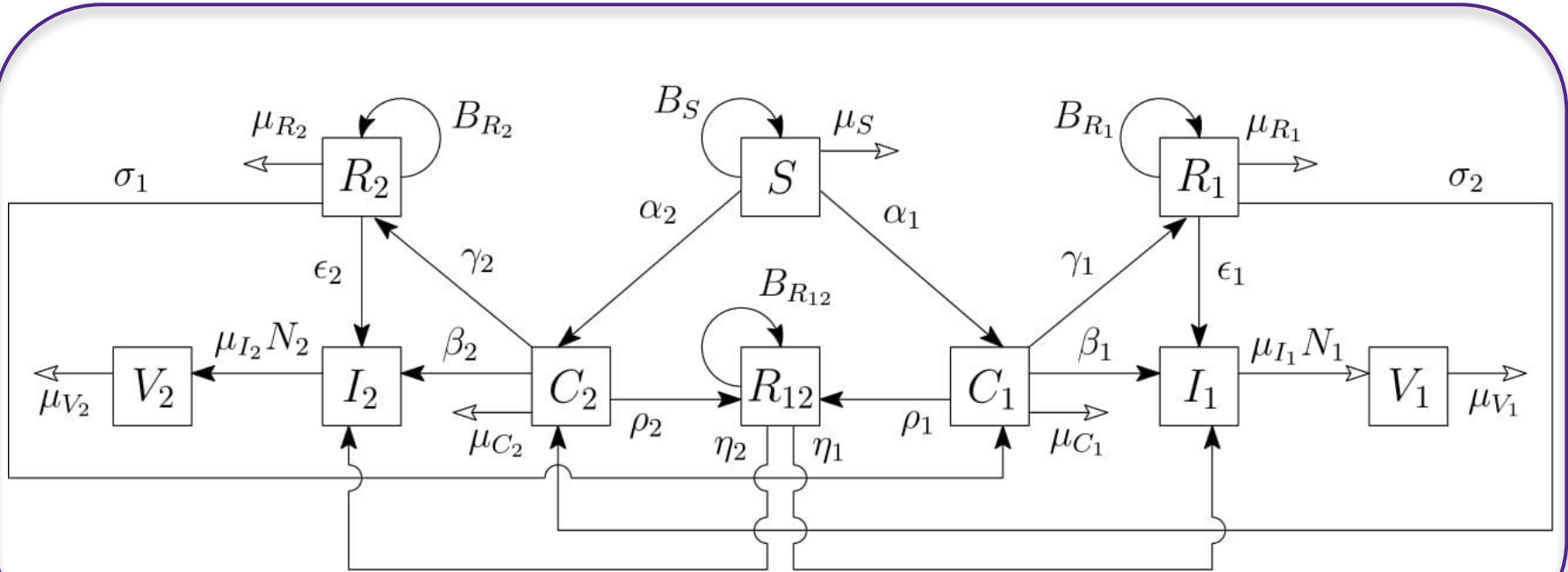
Brauer Theorem

- Ovals of Cassini
- Finding more strict restrictions for S equilibrium

Bacteriophages in Competition

- A complex system of multiple phages interacting
- Models interactions similar to what is seen in medical applications

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