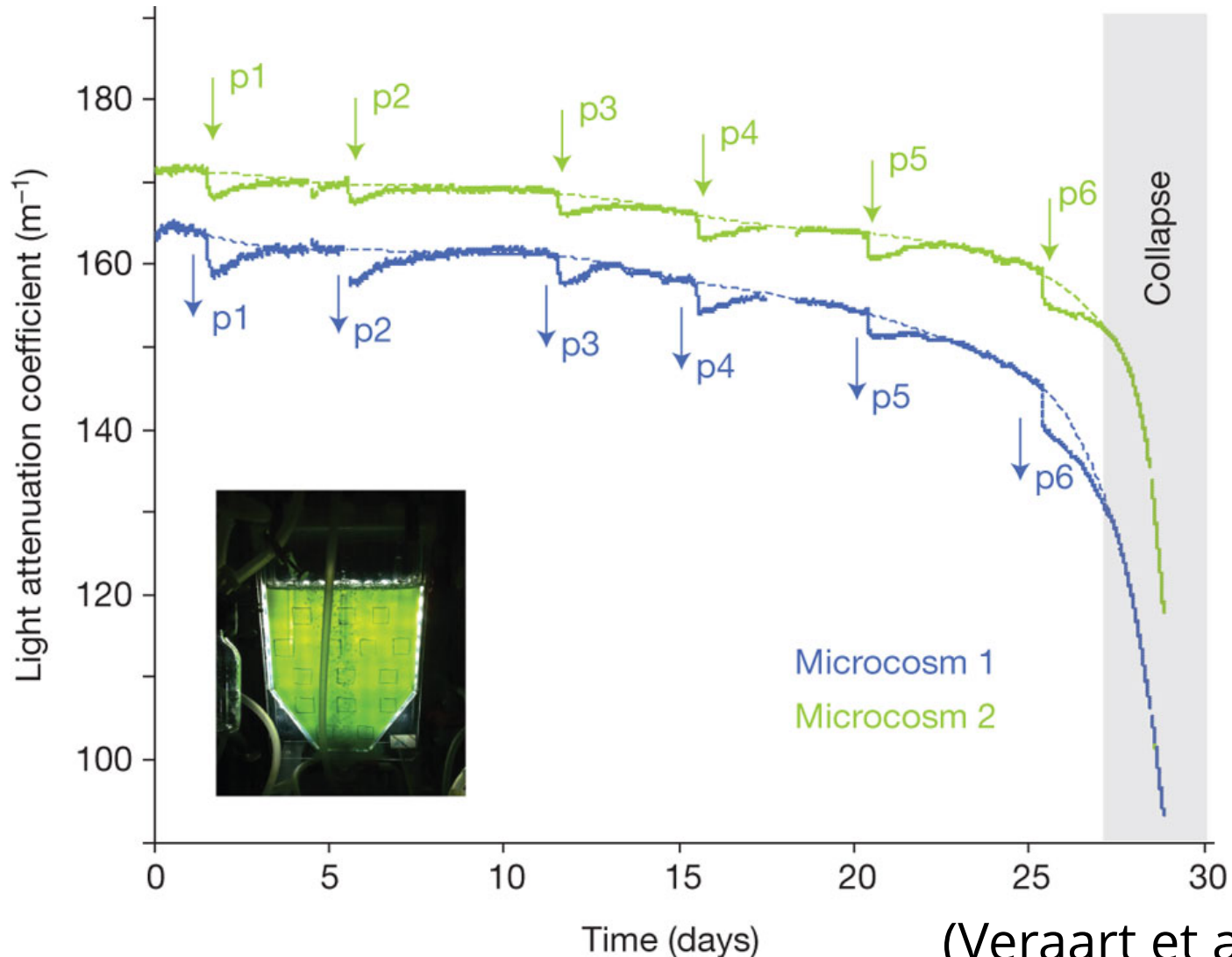


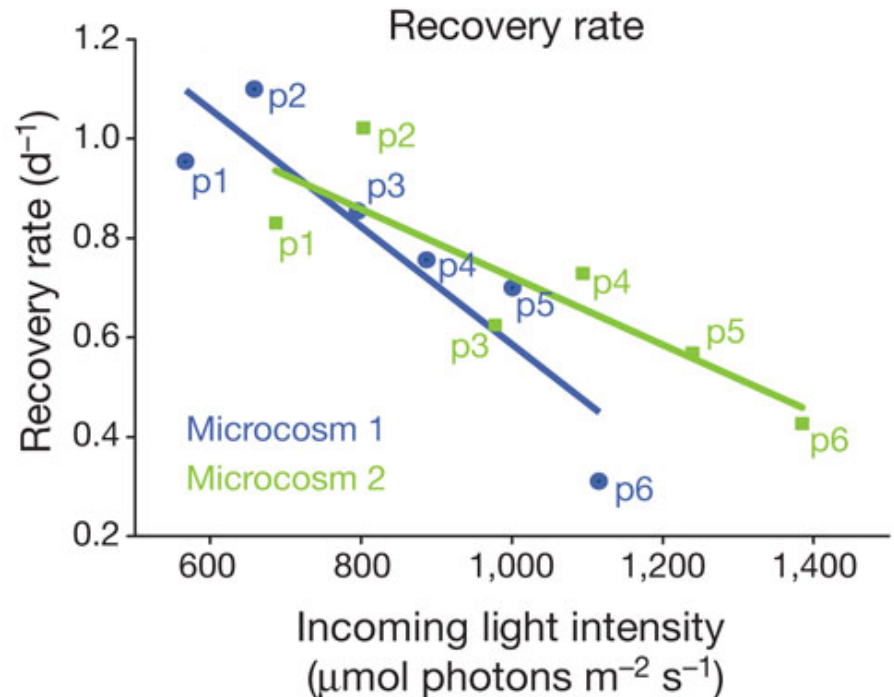
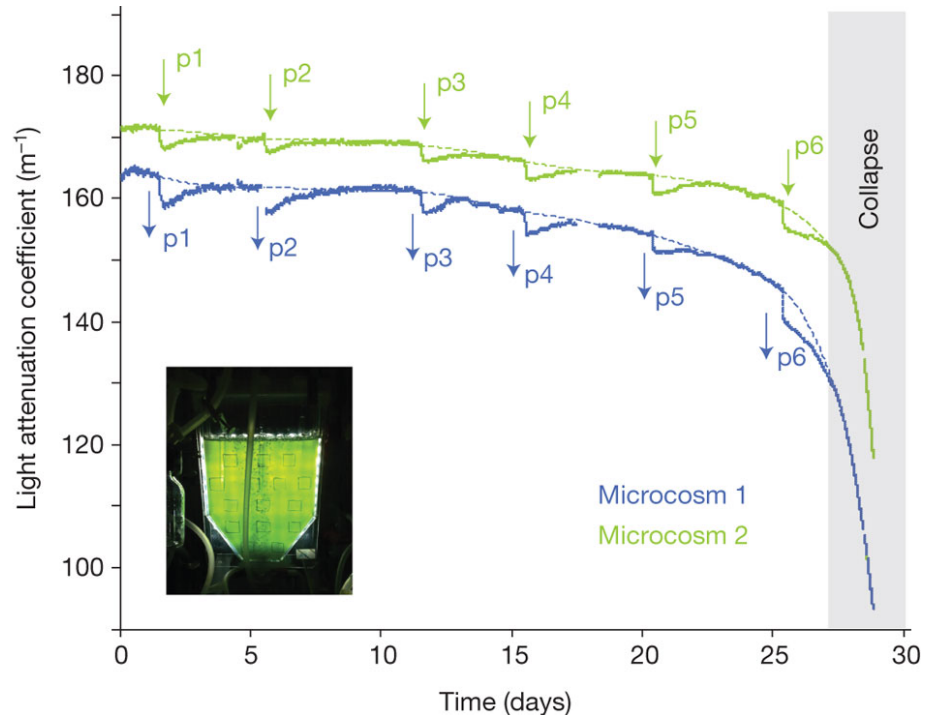
# Disentangling reporting and disease transmission using second order statistics

Eamon O'Dea and John Drake

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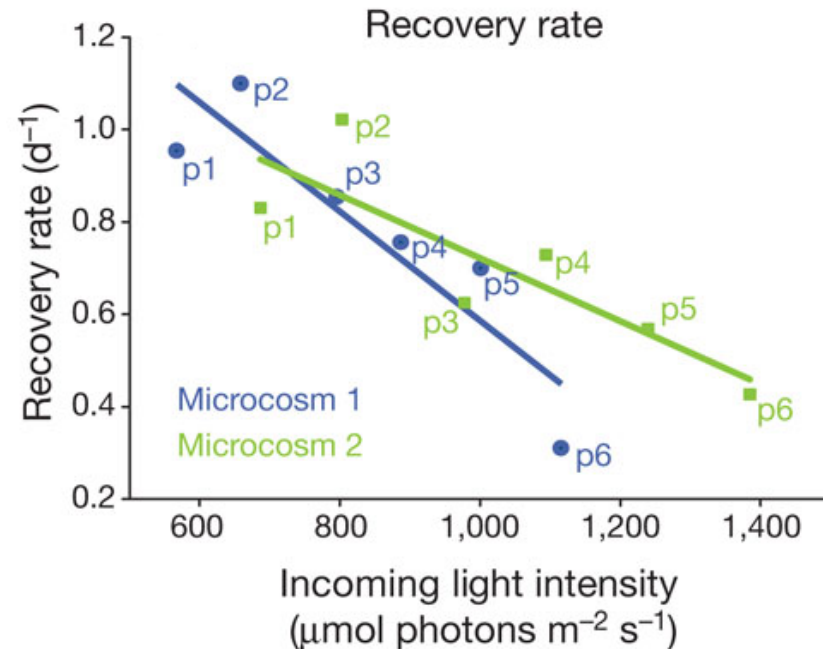
$$\dot{x} = r - x^2$$

$$x^* = \pm\sqrt{r} \text{ if } r > 0$$

$$\left. \frac{d\dot{x}}{dx} \right|_{x=\sqrt{r}} = -2\sqrt{r}$$

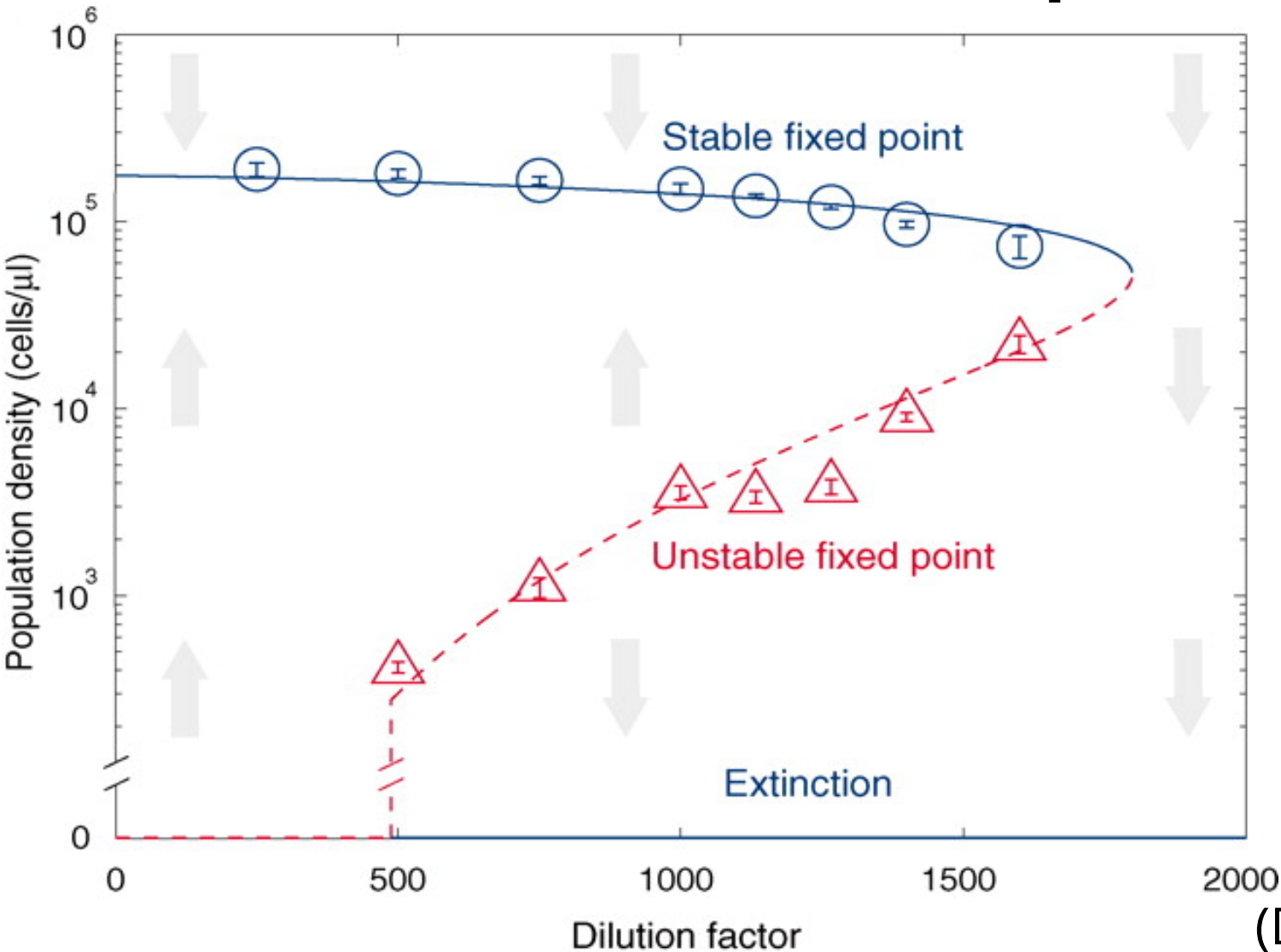
$p :=$  perturbation

$$\dot{p} = -2\sqrt{r}p$$



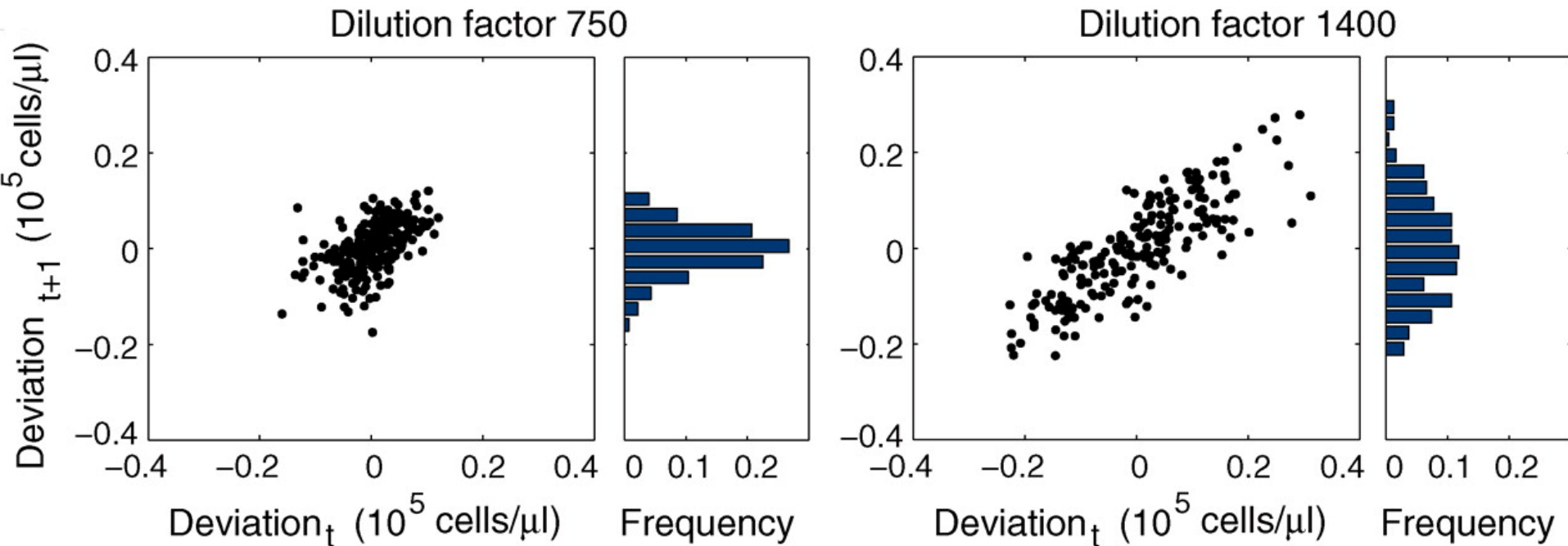
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# Yeast system exemplifying a model of collapse



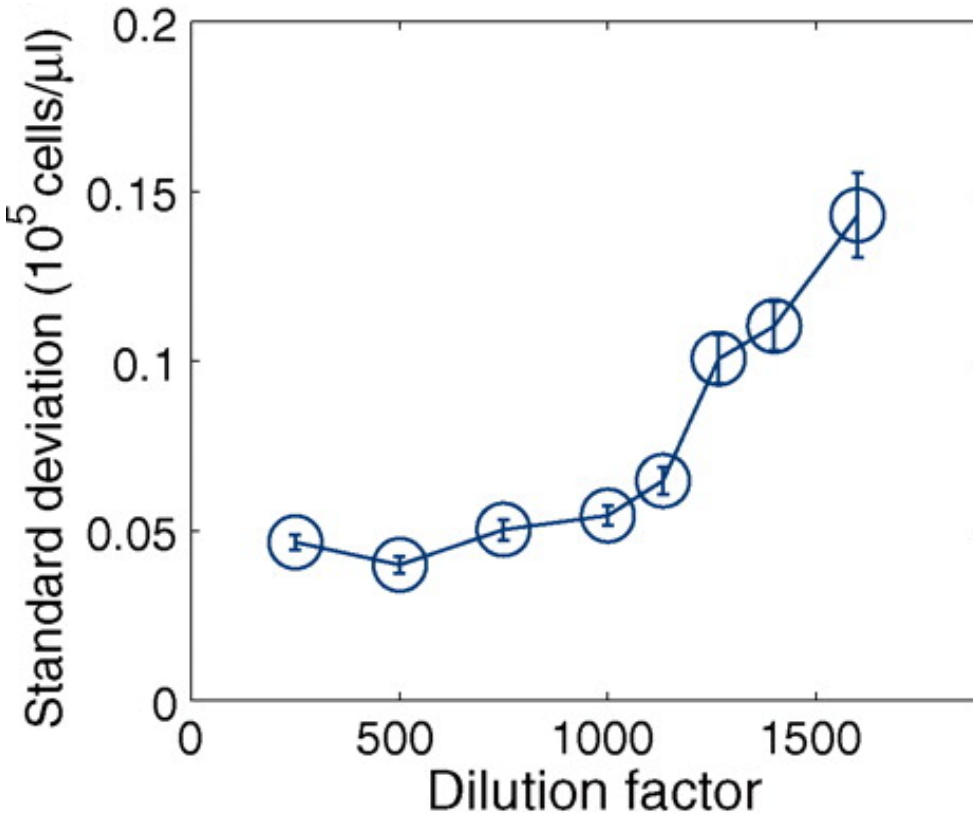
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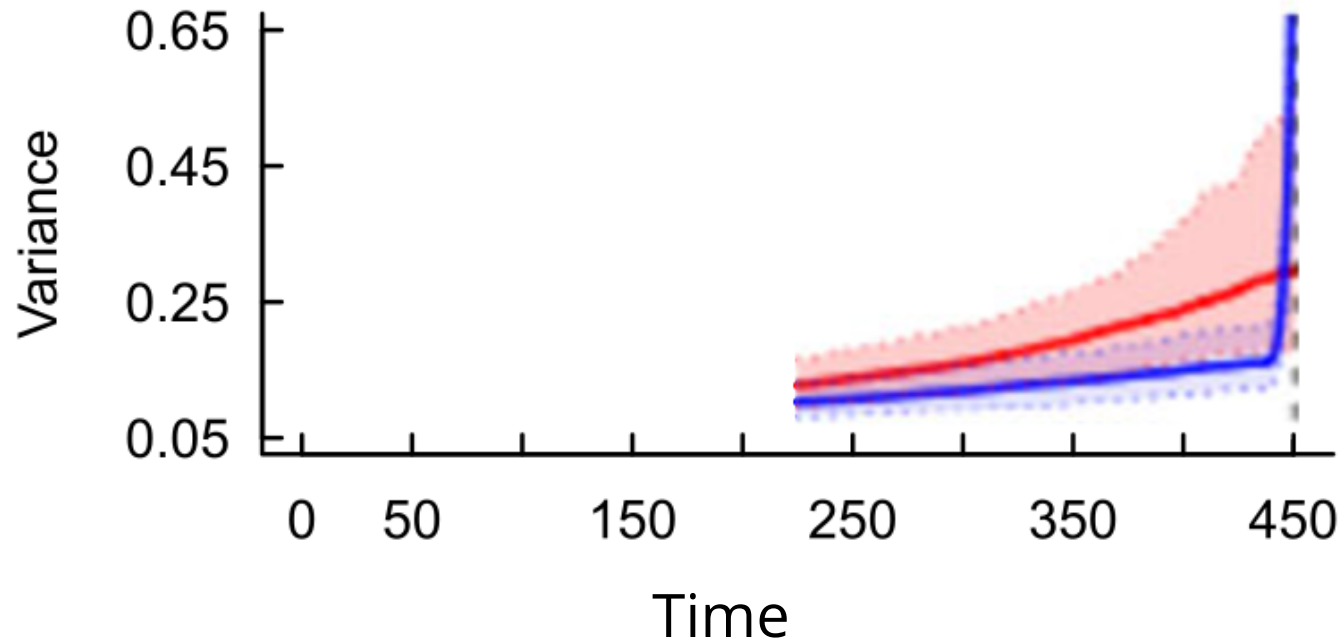


Second order

$$\langle p(t)^2 \rangle = \sigma^2 / (4\sqrt{r})$$

$$dp = -2\sqrt{r}pdt + N(t, \sigma)\sqrt{dt}$$

# Variance also increased in a model of disease emergence



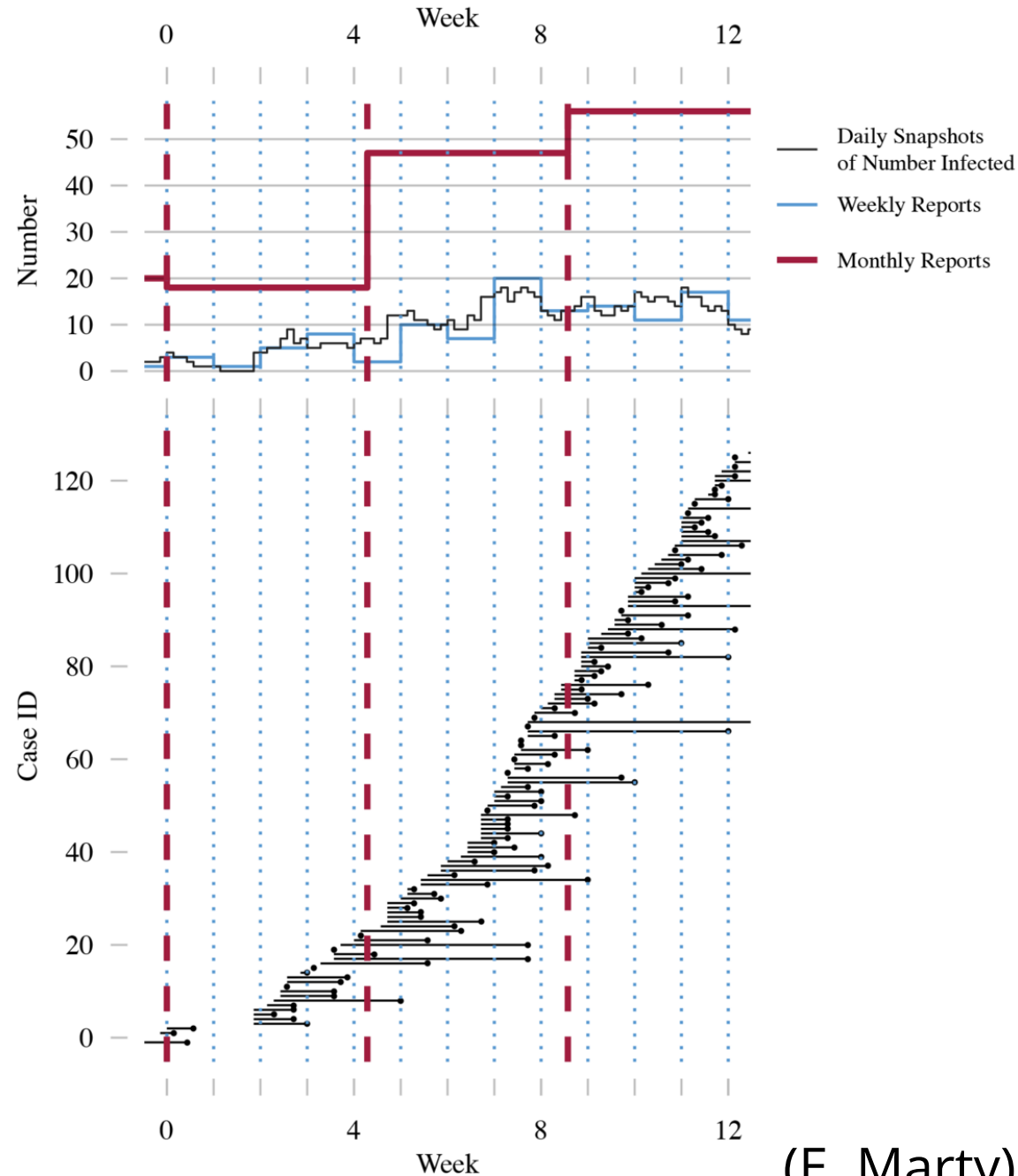
$$dp = -rpd t + N(t, \sigma) \sqrt{dt}$$
$$\langle p(t)^2 \rangle = \sigma^2 / (2r)$$

(O'Regan and Drake 2013)



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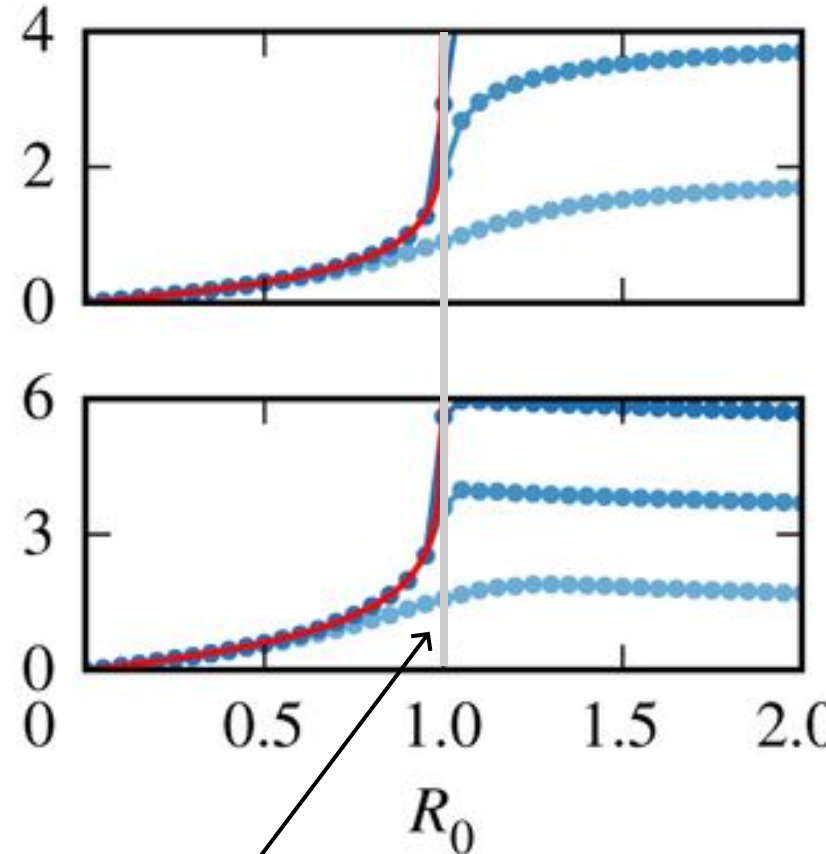
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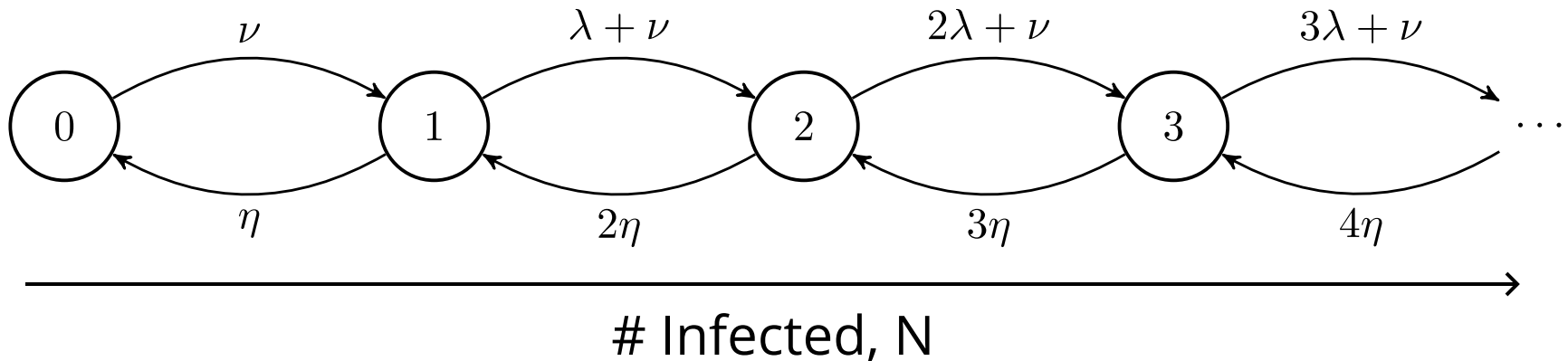
$\log_{10}$  variance



Epidemic threshold

(Brett et al. 2017)

# We modeled disease spread with a BDI process

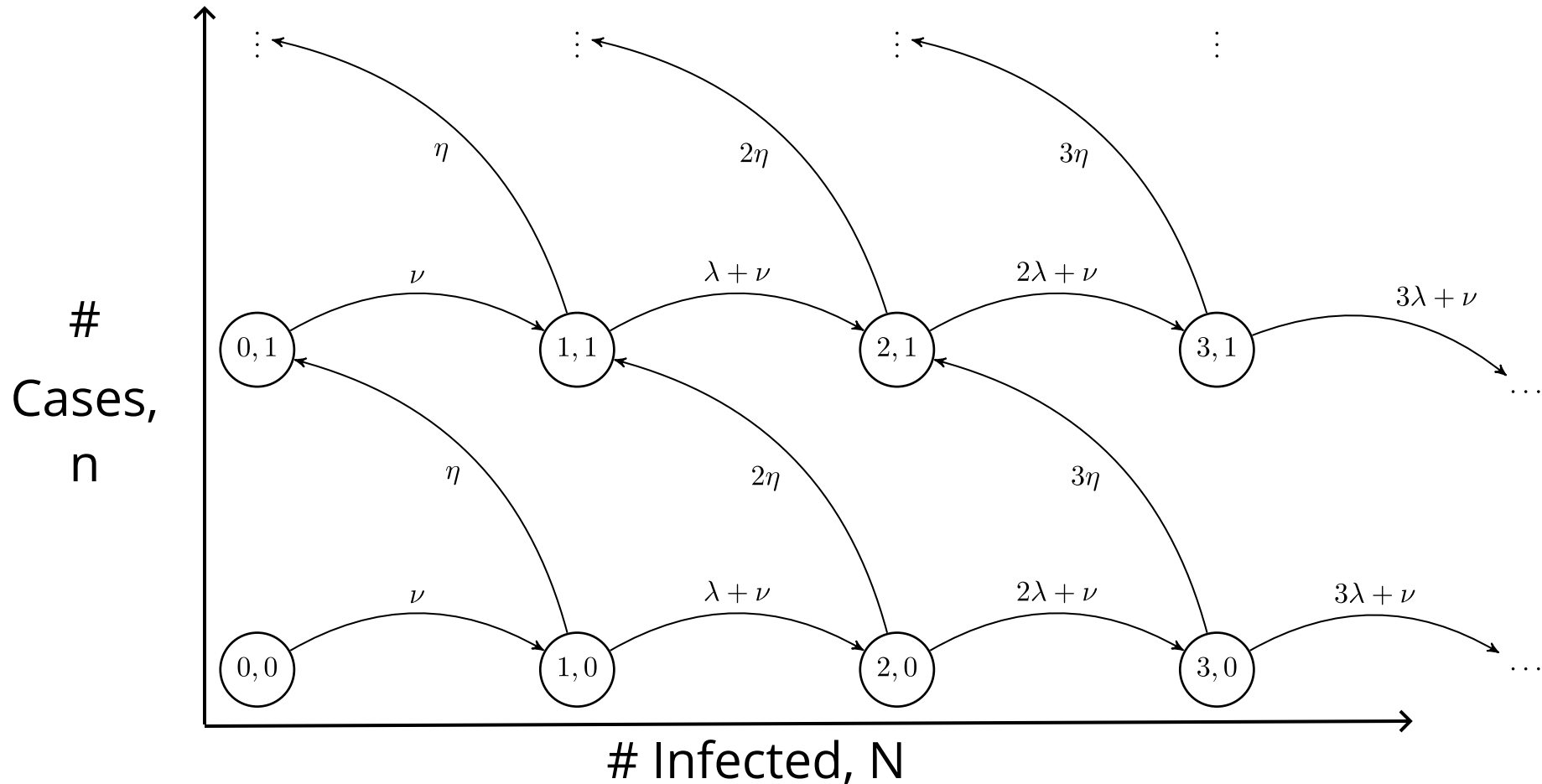


$\lambda :=$  transmission (Birth) rate

$\eta :=$  removal (Death) rate

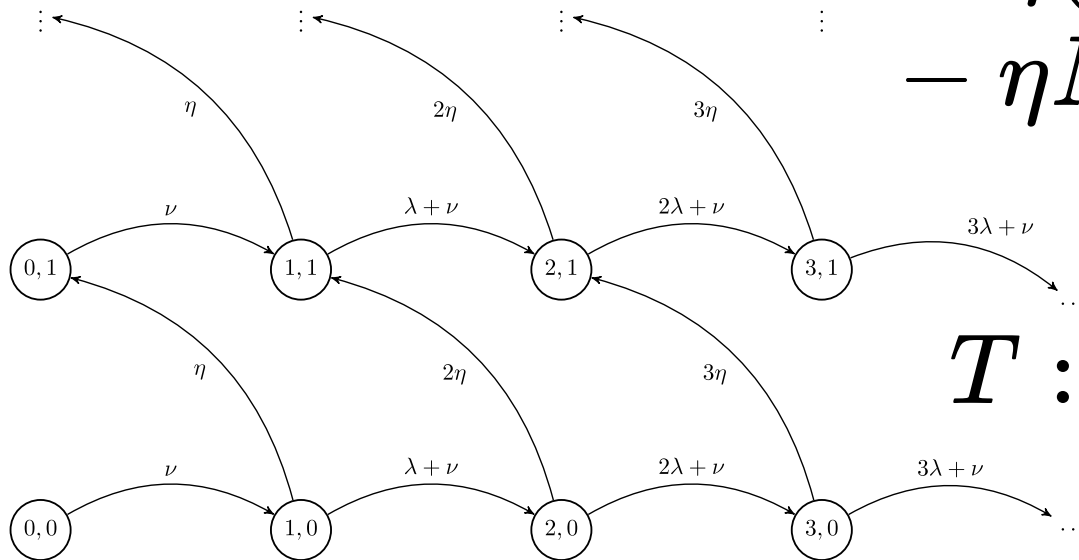
$\nu :=$  importation (Immigration) rate

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dP_{N,n}}{dT} = & [\lambda(N-1) + \nu]P_{N-1,n} \\ & - [\lambda NP_{N,n} + \nu]P_{N,n} \\ & + \eta(N+1)P_{N+1,n-1} \\ & - \eta NP_{N,n} \end{aligned}$$



$T :=$  reporting period

# Moments of cases $n$ were found with generating functions

$$q(s, z; T) := \sum_{N,n} (1-s)^N (1-z)^n P_{N,n}(T)$$

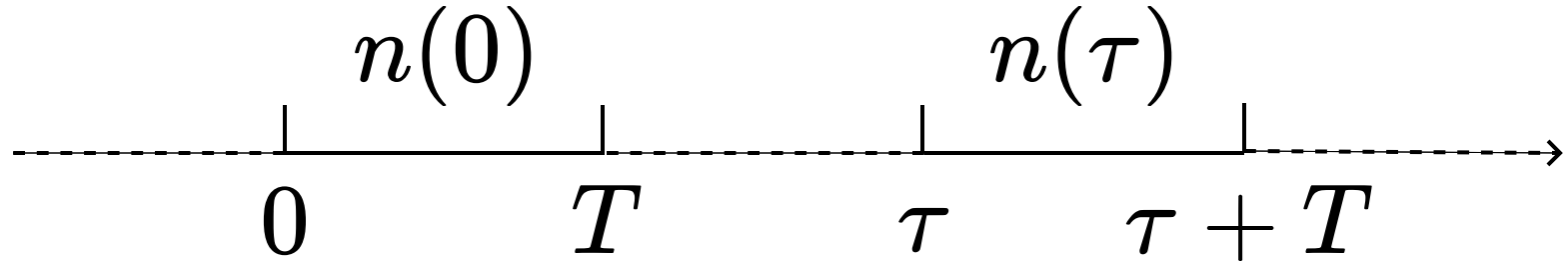
$$\langle n \rangle = \eta T \nu / (\eta - \lambda)$$

$$\begin{aligned} n^{[2]} &:= \langle n(n-1) \rangle / \langle n \rangle^2 \\ &= 1 + \frac{2\lambda}{\nu(\eta-\lambda)T} \left( 1 - \frac{1 - \exp((\lambda-\eta)T)}{(\eta-\lambda)T} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Decreasing functions of distance to threshold:  $\eta - \lambda$

(Hopcraft et al. 2014)

The autocorrelation of  $n$  was also found via a bilinear moment



$$g(\tau; T) := \frac{\langle n(0)n(\tau) \rangle}{\langle n \rangle^2} \quad \gamma := T(\eta - \lambda)/2$$

$$g(\tau; T) = 1 + \frac{\lambda}{\gamma^2 \nu} \sinh^2(\gamma) \exp(-(\eta - \lambda)\tau)$$

$$\rho(\tau, T) := [\langle n(0)n(\tau) \rangle - \langle n \rangle^2] / \text{var } n$$

$$= \frac{g(\tau; T) - 1}{n^{[2]} - 1 + \langle n \rangle^{-1}}.$$

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# Answers

1. Many should also increase as threshold approached:

- mean
- factorial moment
- decay time of autocorrelation

2. None. But what if not all cases are reported?



# Some moments of reports are unaffected by reporting prob.

$m$  := number of reports

$\xi$  := reporting probability

$$q_{\text{bin}}(s, z; T) = q(s, z\xi; T)$$

$$\langle m_{\text{bin}} \rangle = \xi \langle n \rangle$$

$$m_{\text{bin}}^{[2]} = n^{[2]}$$

(Hopcraft et al. 2014)

# Same result holds when allowing for overdispersion

$$m_{\text{nb}} := \xi n + e$$

$$e := \text{error term}$$

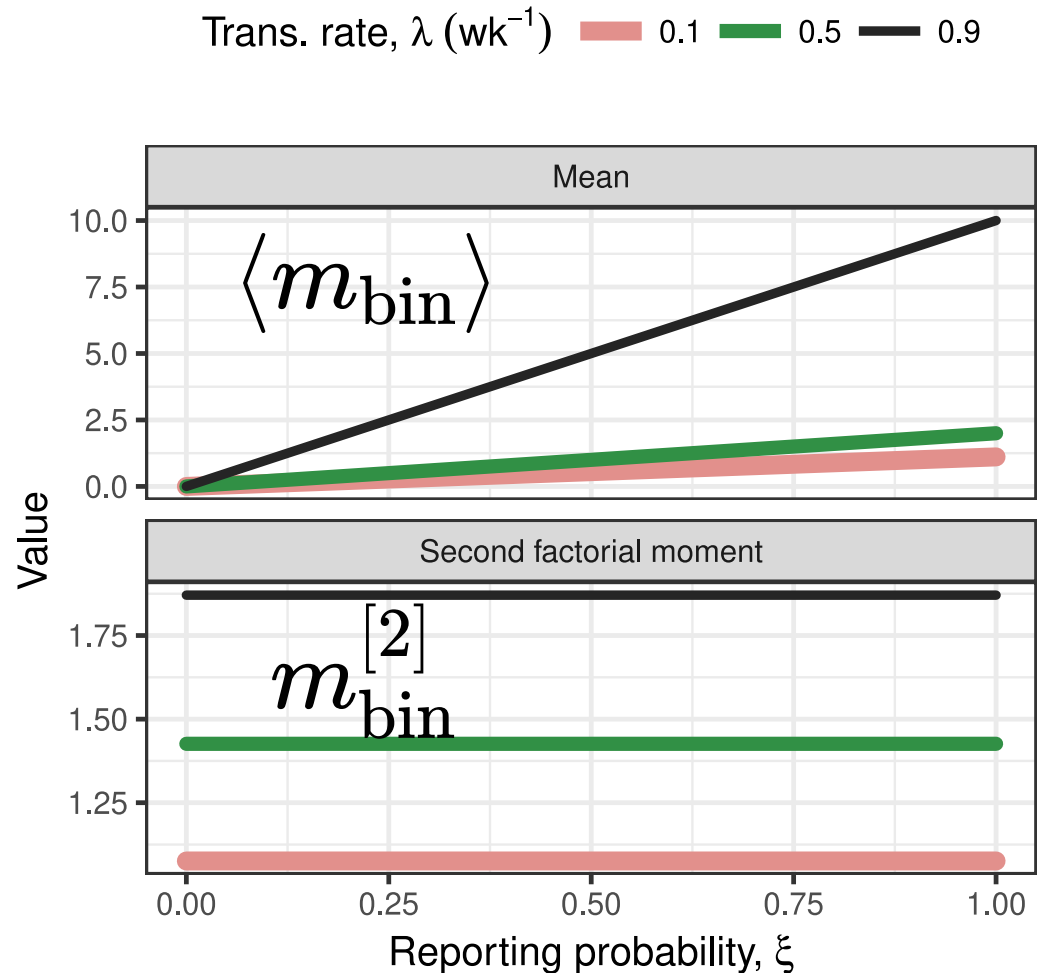
$$\phi := \text{dispersion parameter}$$

$$\langle e^2 | n \rangle = \xi n + (\xi n)^2 / \phi$$

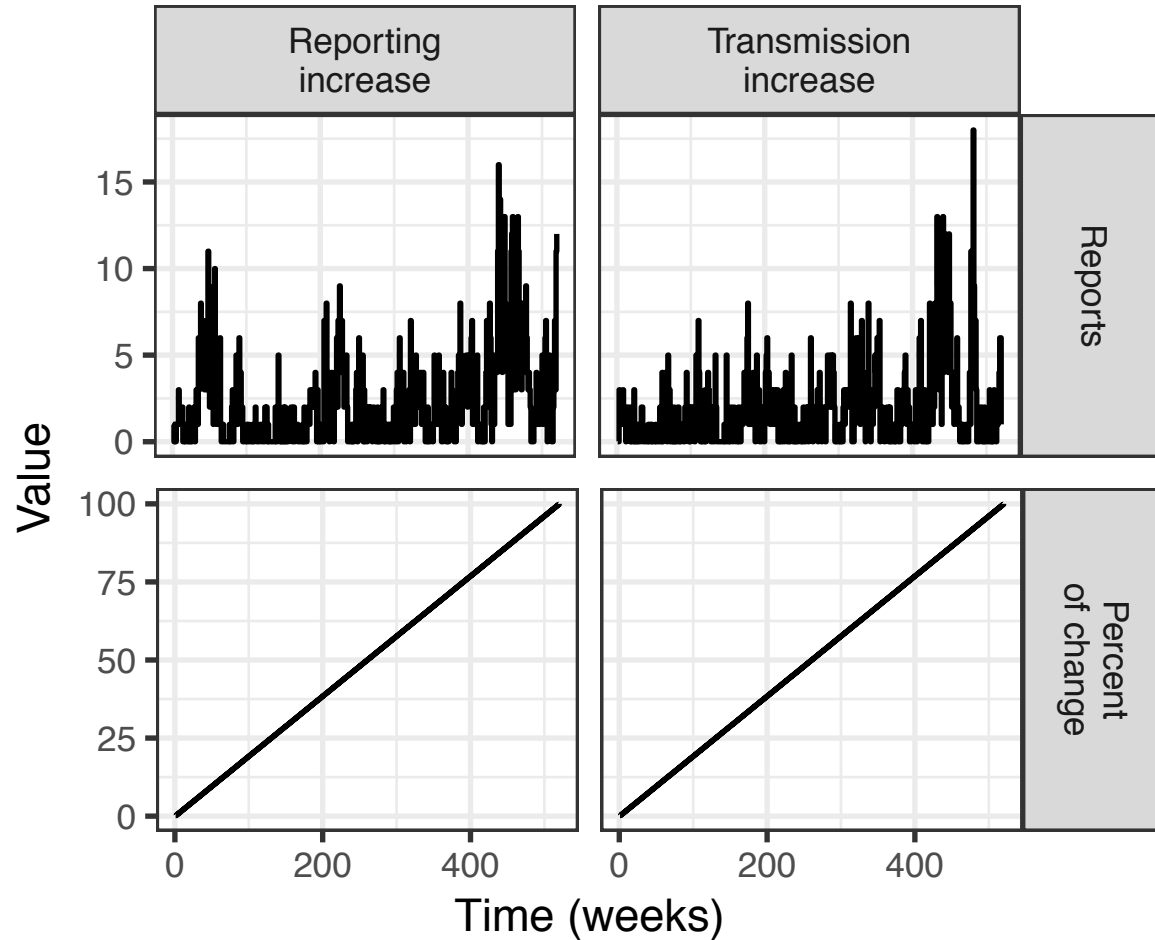
$$\langle m_{\text{nb}} \rangle = \xi \langle n \rangle$$

$$m_{\text{nb}}^{[2]} = (1 + 1/\phi)(n^{[2]} + 1/\langle n \rangle)$$

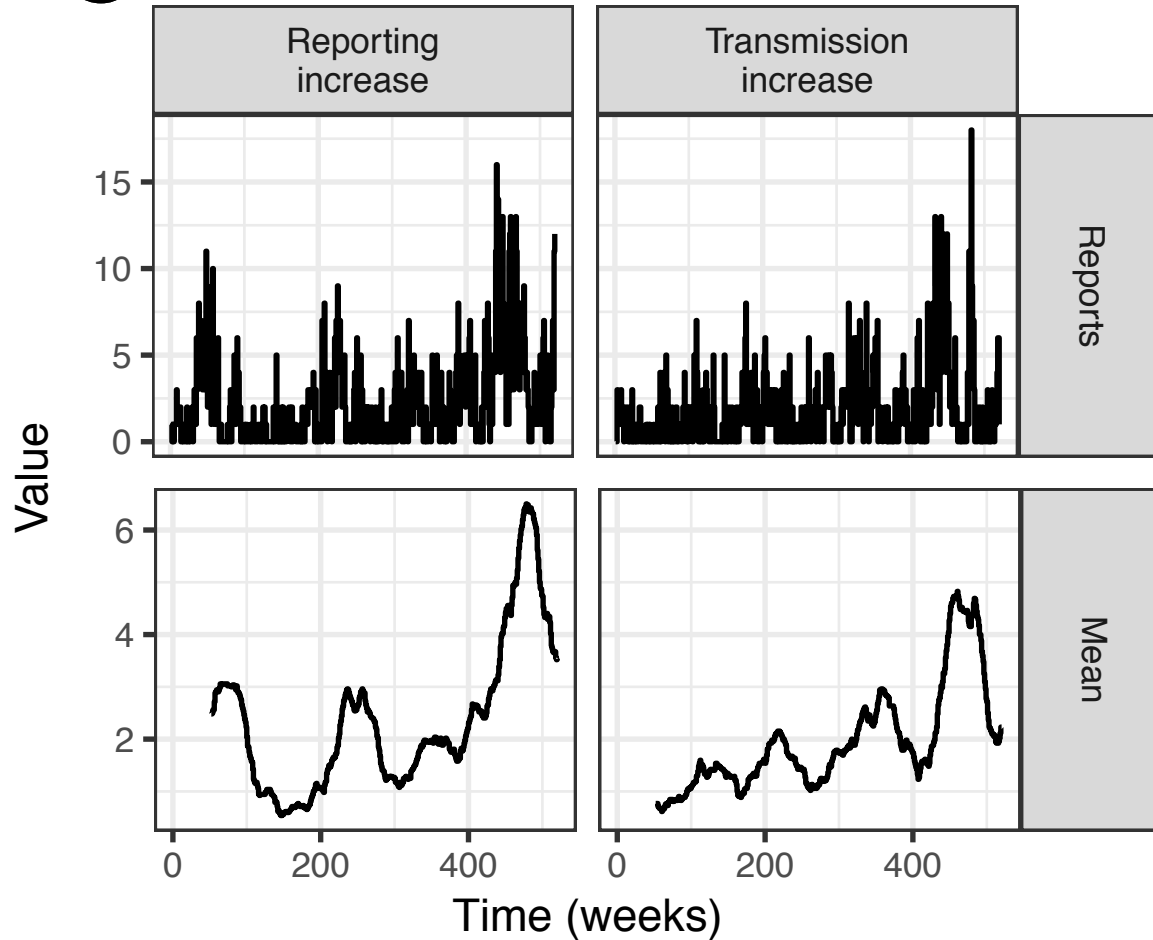
Second-order indicators can be more specific



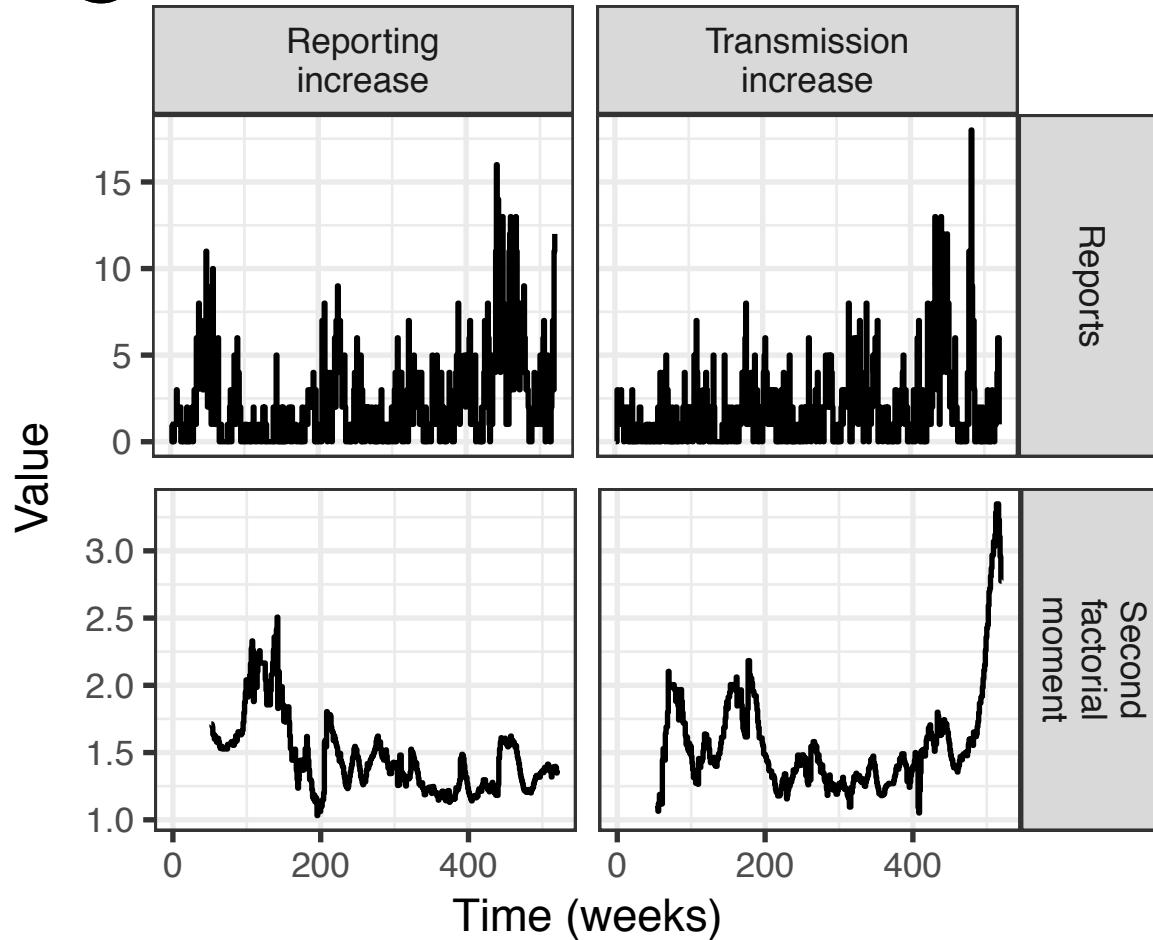
# We simulated increasing reports under two scenarios



# We estimated moments in moving windows for each series



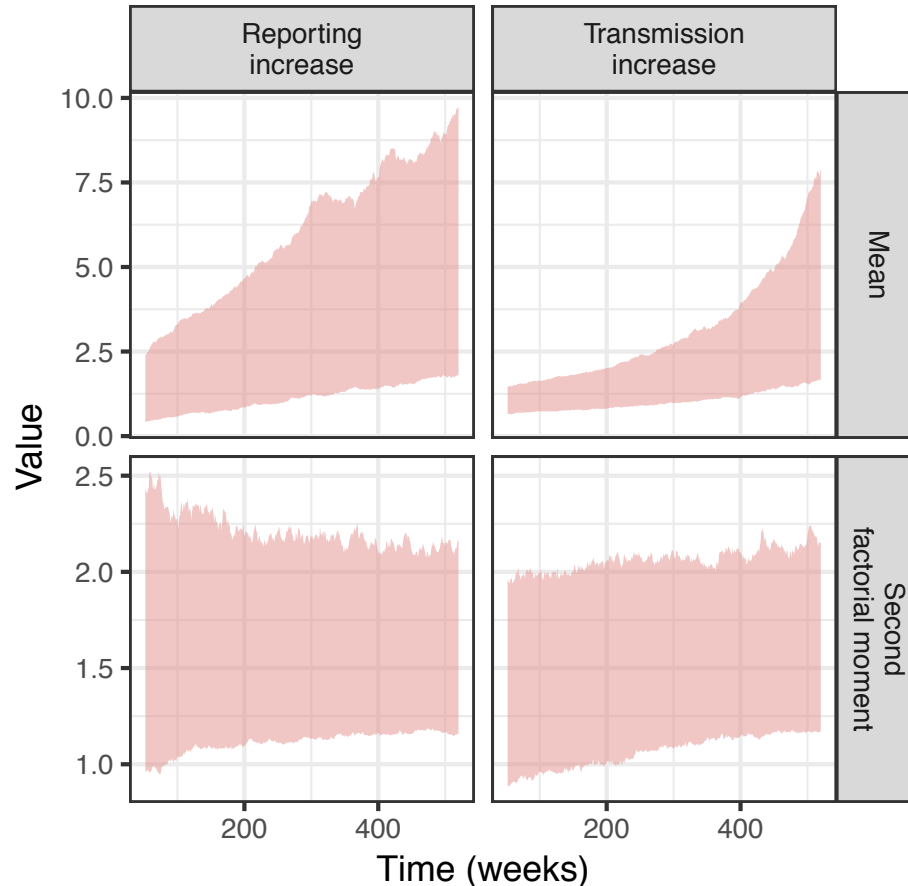
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# Expected trends were seen, but the noise was high

Middle 90% of estimates

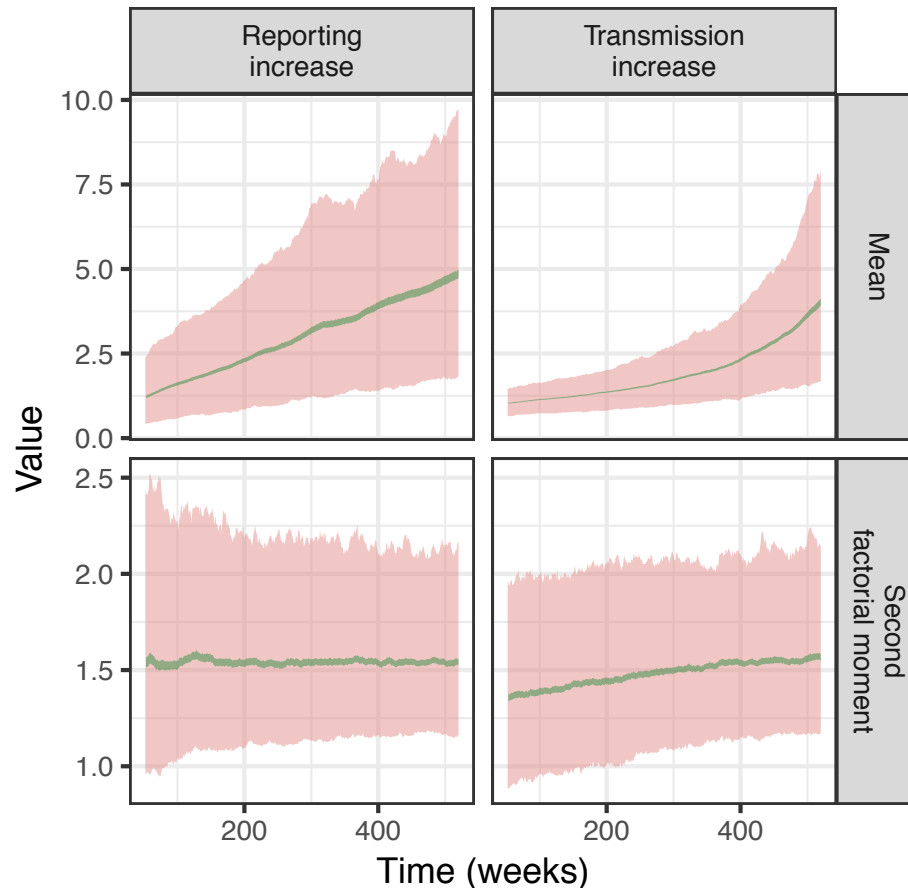
Individual



# The noise can be reduced if multiple time series available

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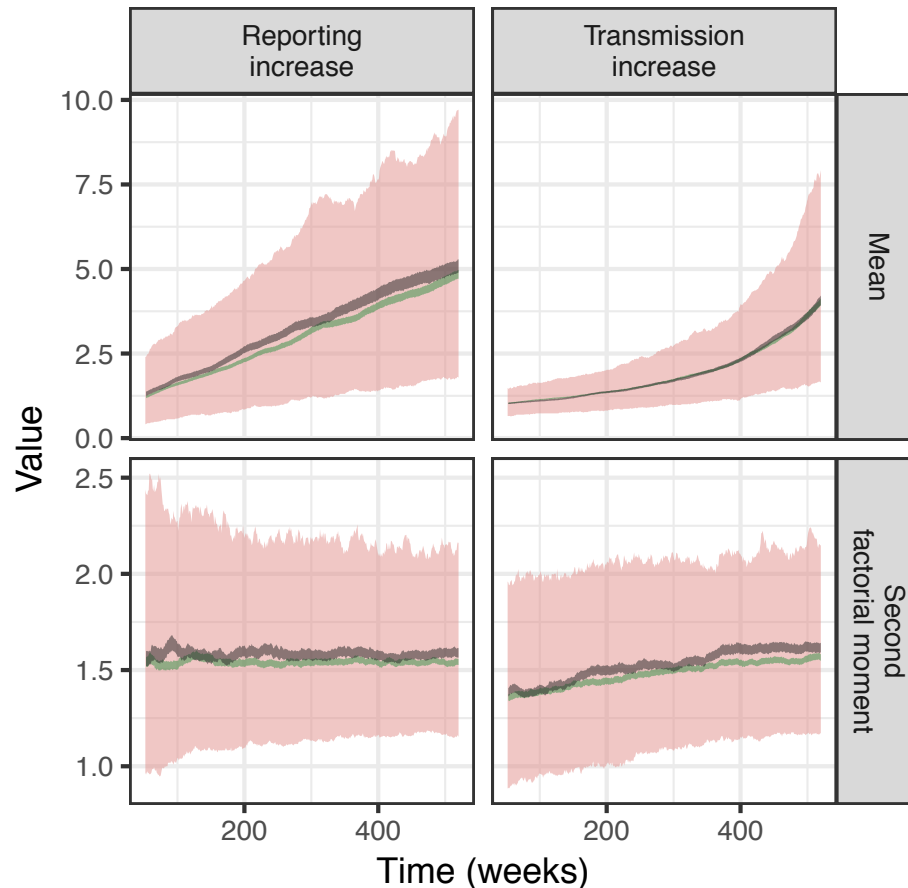
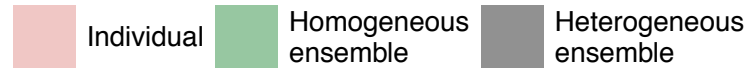
Individual Homogeneous ensemble





# Some variation across time series is not a problem

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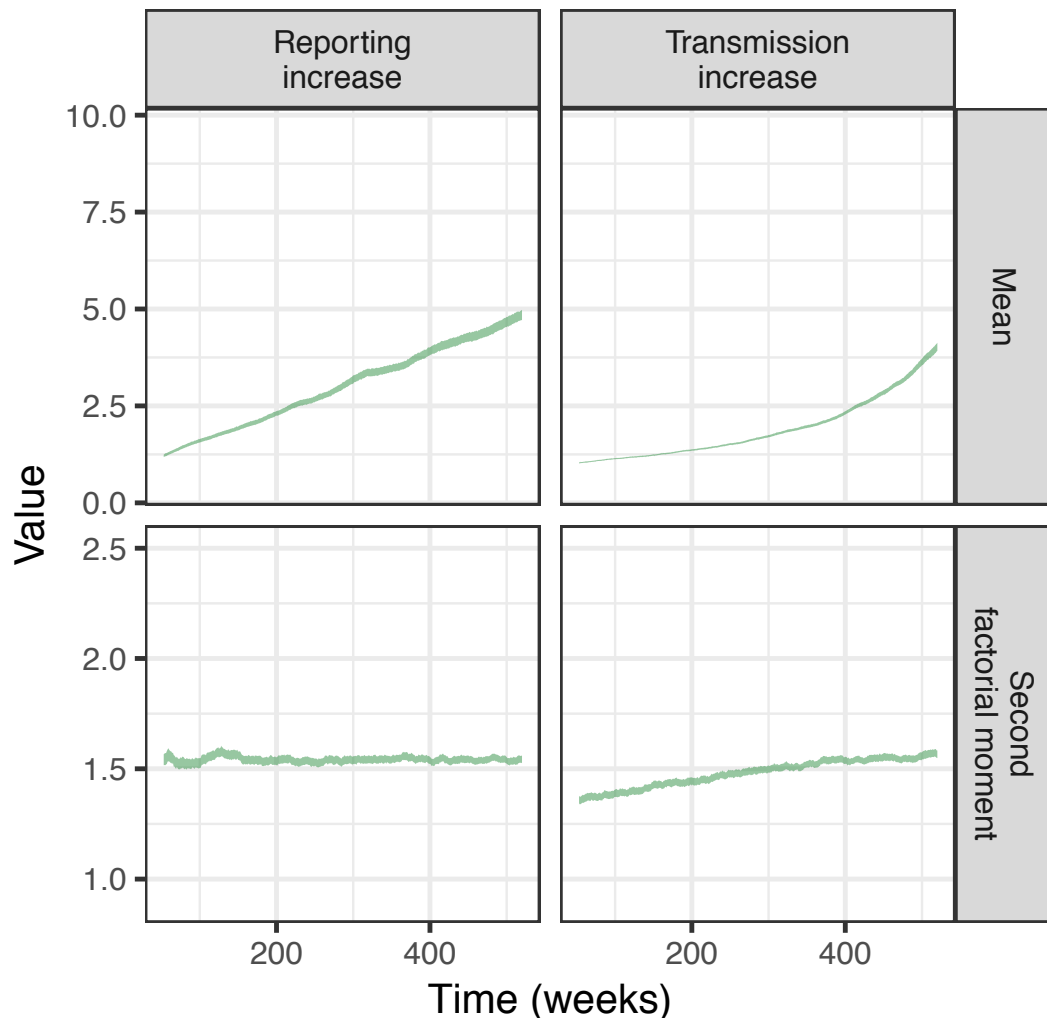


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# **We are looking for applications, but there are several potential problems**

- Stationarity assumptions not valid
- Real ensembles too small and heterogeneous
- Single-type BDI model inadequate
- Observation model inadequate

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