Disentangling reporting and disease transmission using second order statistics

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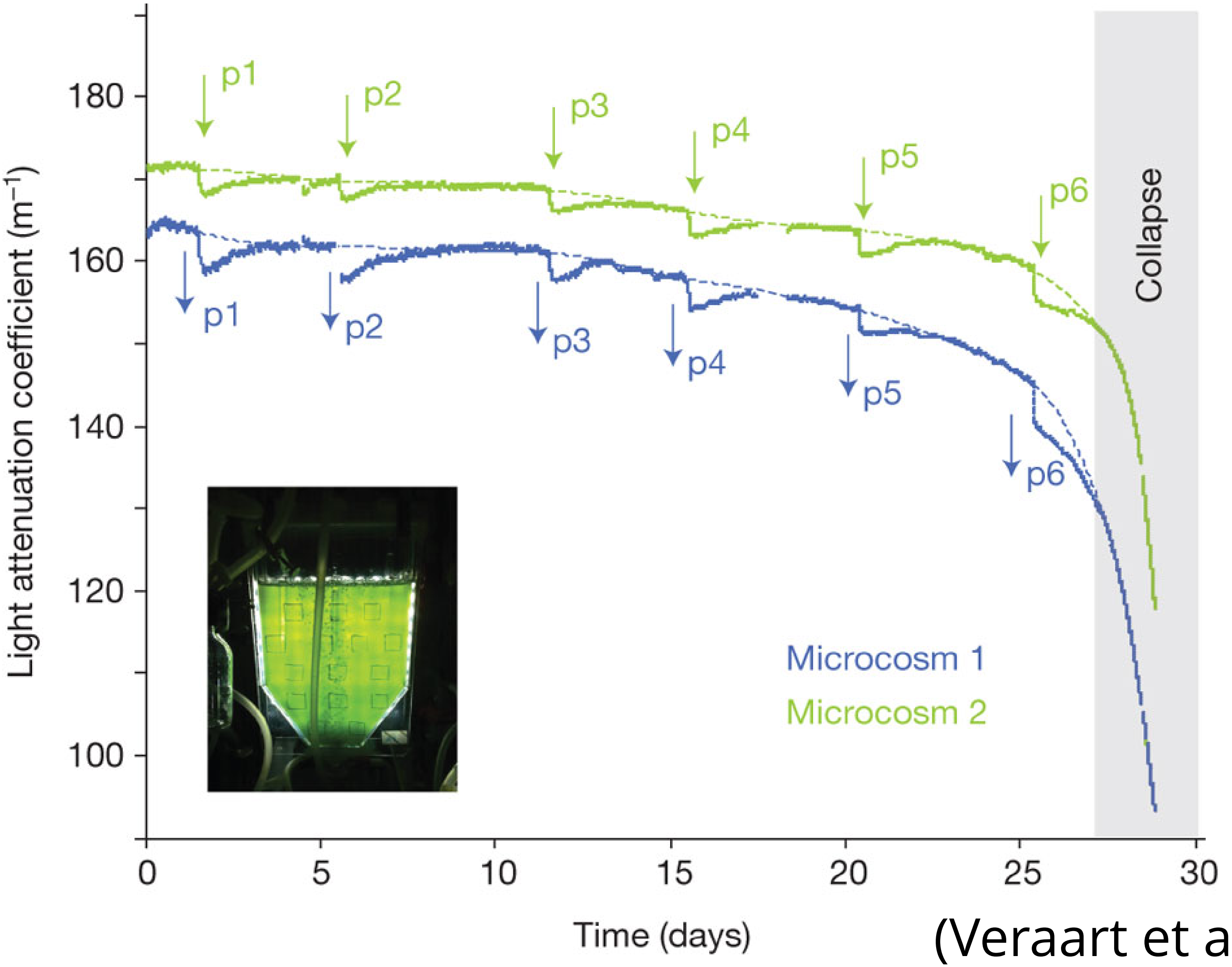

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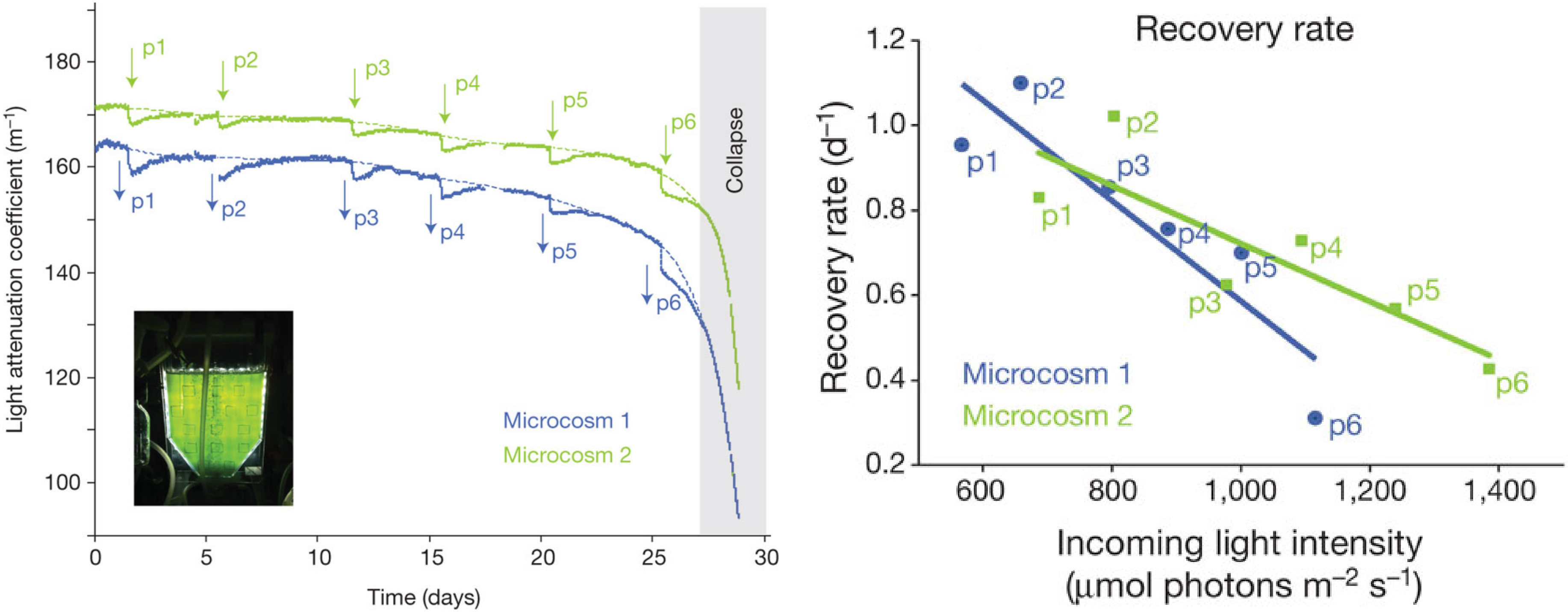

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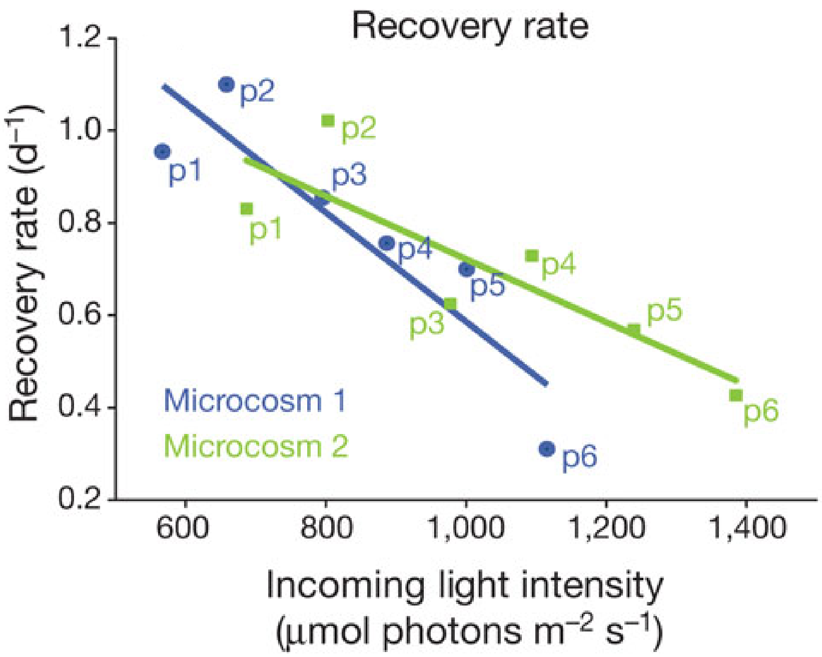
$$\dot{x} = r - x^2$$

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

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\dot{x}}{\mathrm{d}x}\Big|_{x=\sqrt{r}} = -2\sqrt{r}$$

$$p := \text{perturbation}$$

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



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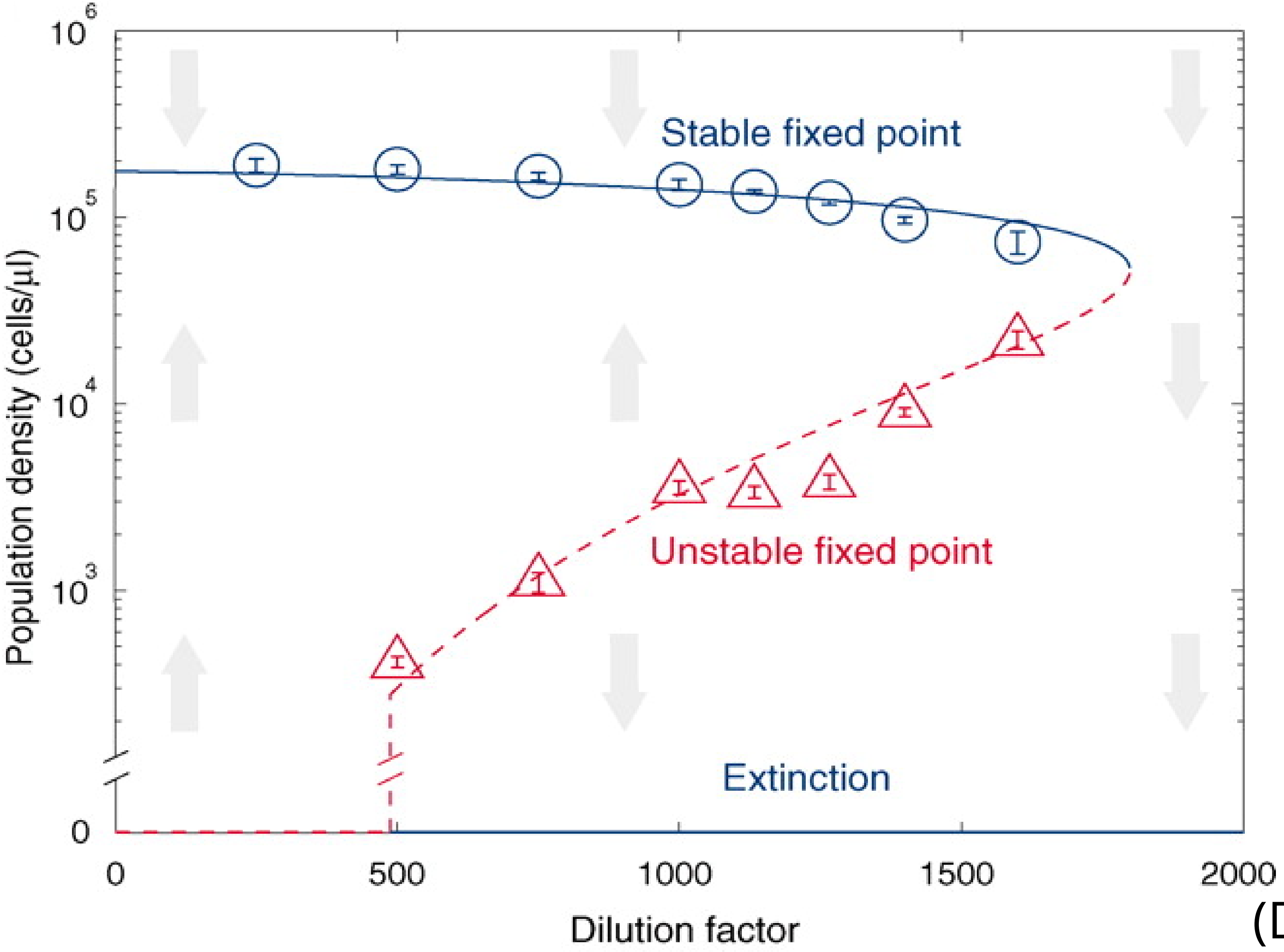
Yeast system exemplifying a model of collapse



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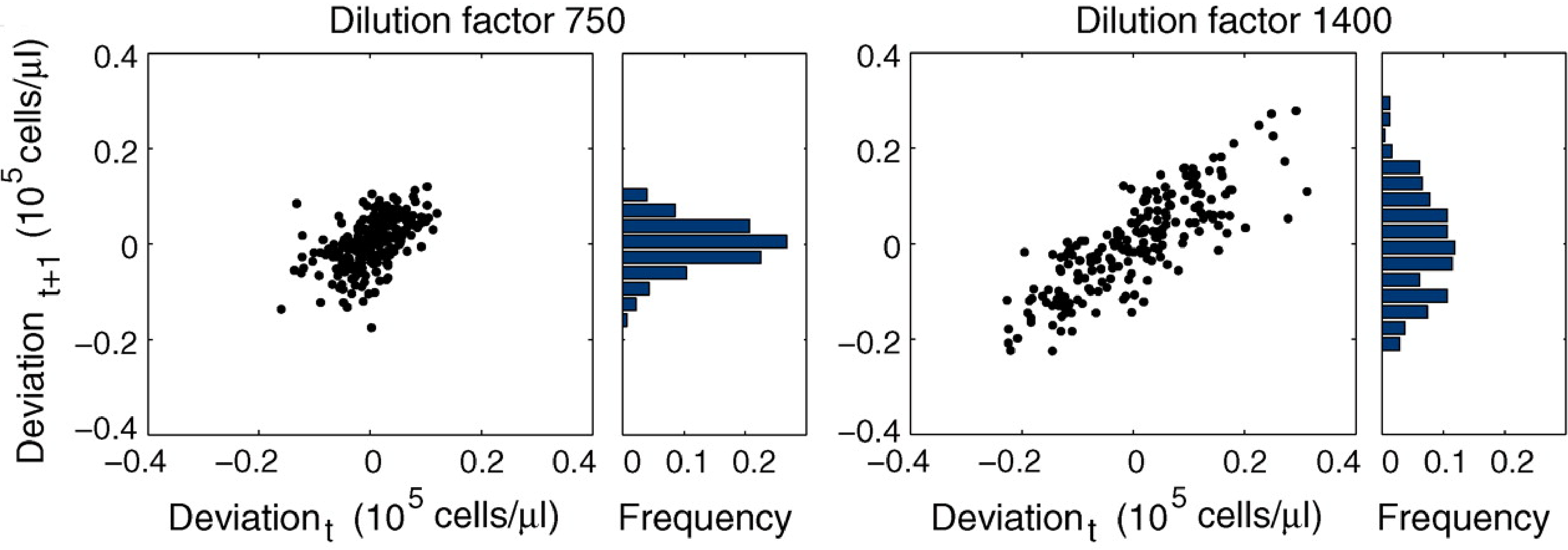

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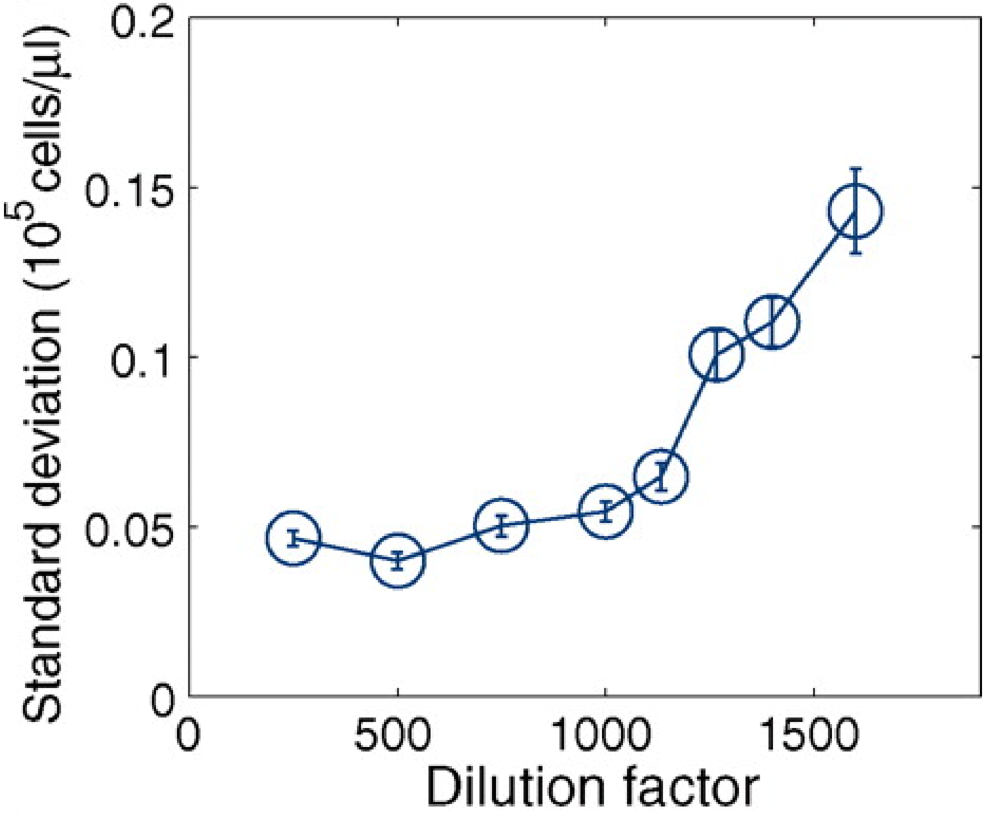


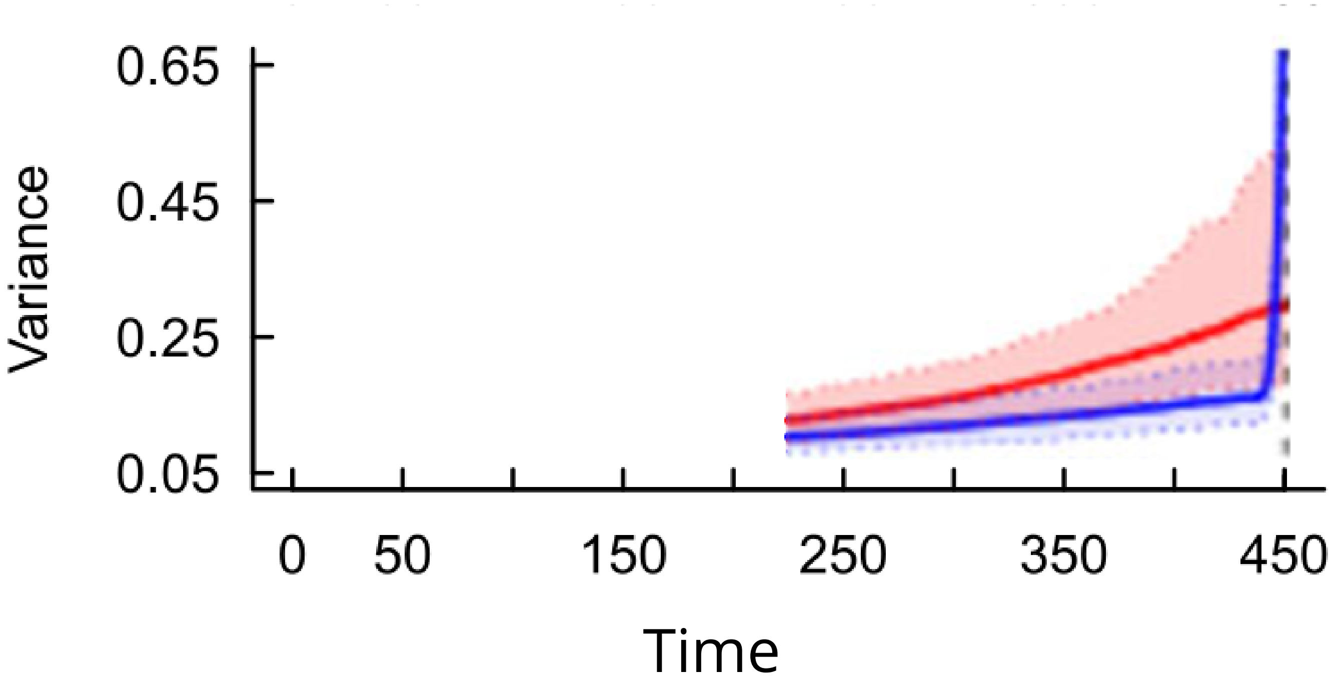
Second order

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

$$\mathrm{d}p = -2\sqrt{r}p\mathrm{d}t + N(t,\sigma)\sqrt{\mathrm{d}t}$$

(Dai et al. 2012)

Variance also increased in a model of disease emergence



$$\mathrm{d}p = -rp\mathrm{d}t + N(t,\sigma)\sqrt{\mathrm{d}t}$$

$$\langle p(t)^2 \rangle = \sigma^2/(2r)$$

(O'Regan and Drake 2013)

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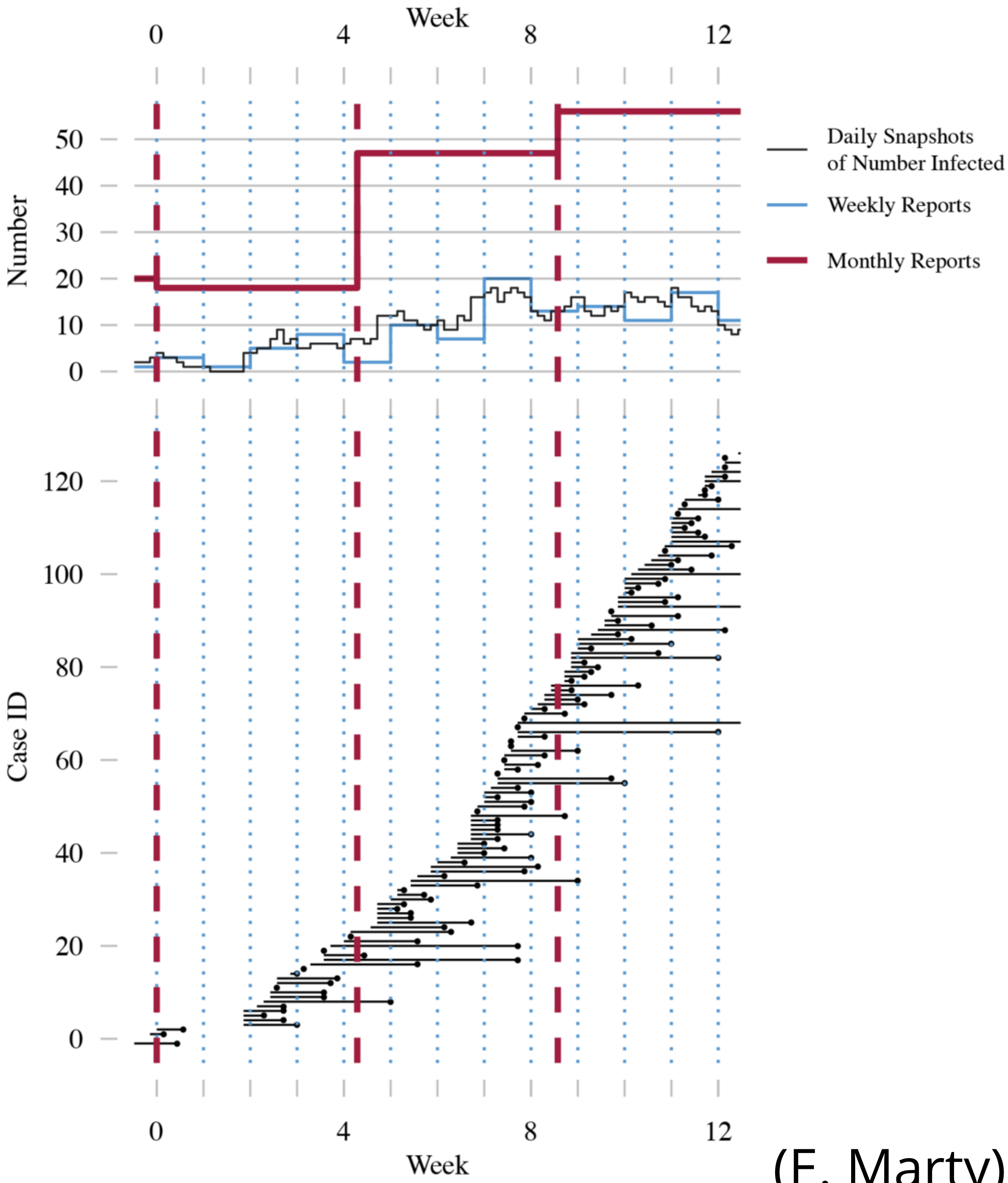

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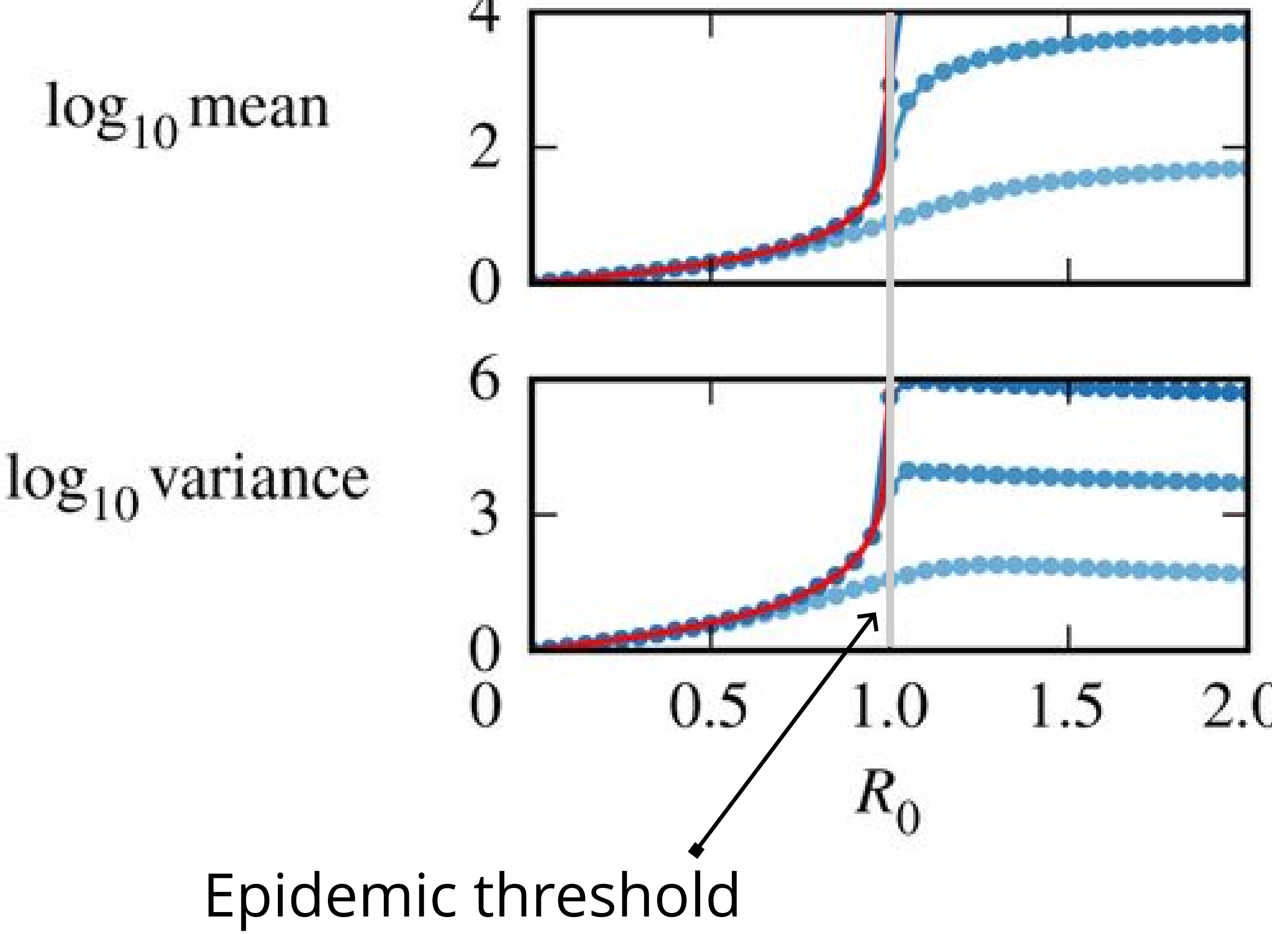
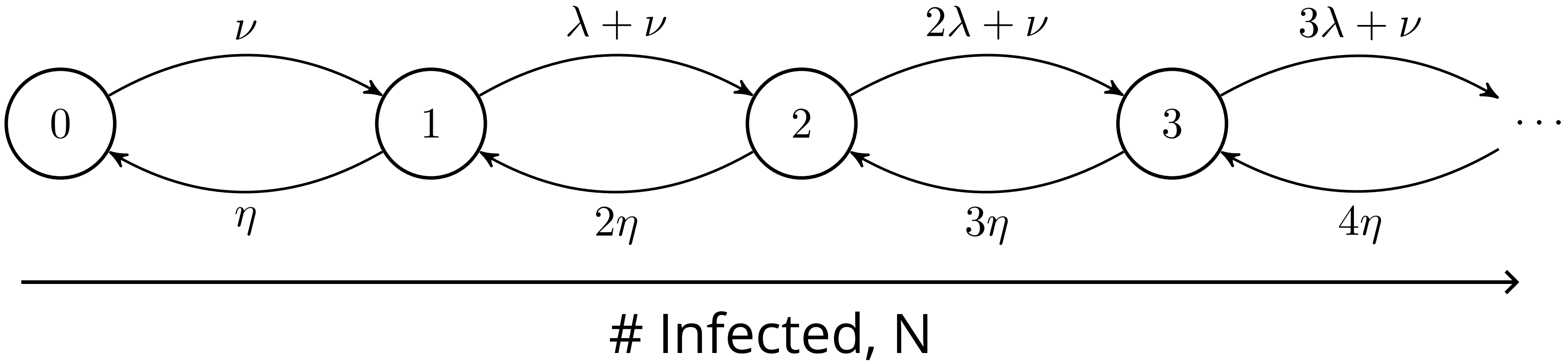


(Brett et al. 2017)

We modeled disease spread with a BDI process



$$\lambda := \text{transmission (Birth) rate}$$

$$\eta := \text{removal (Death) rate}$$

$$\nu := \text{importation (Immigration) rate}$$

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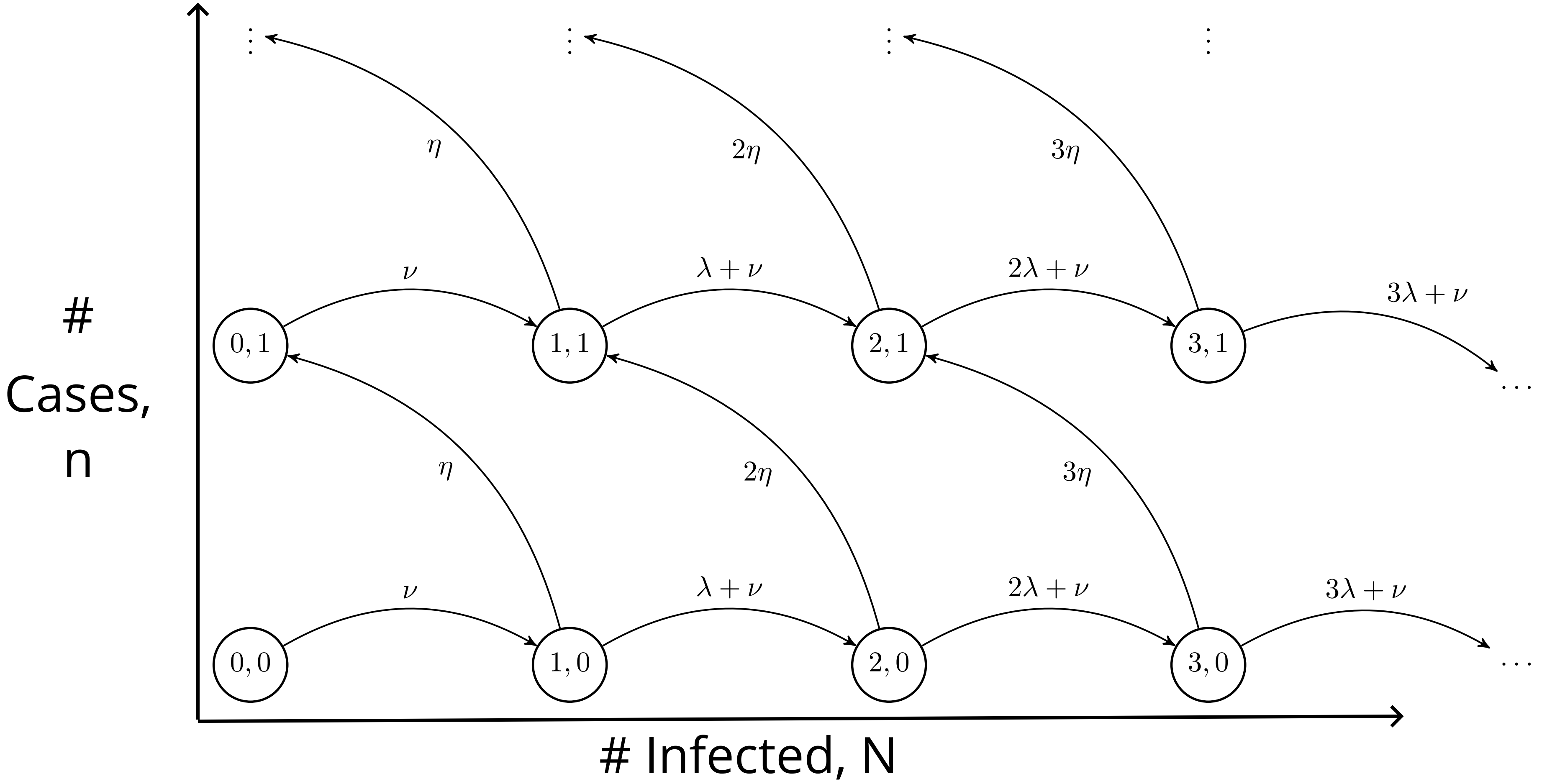

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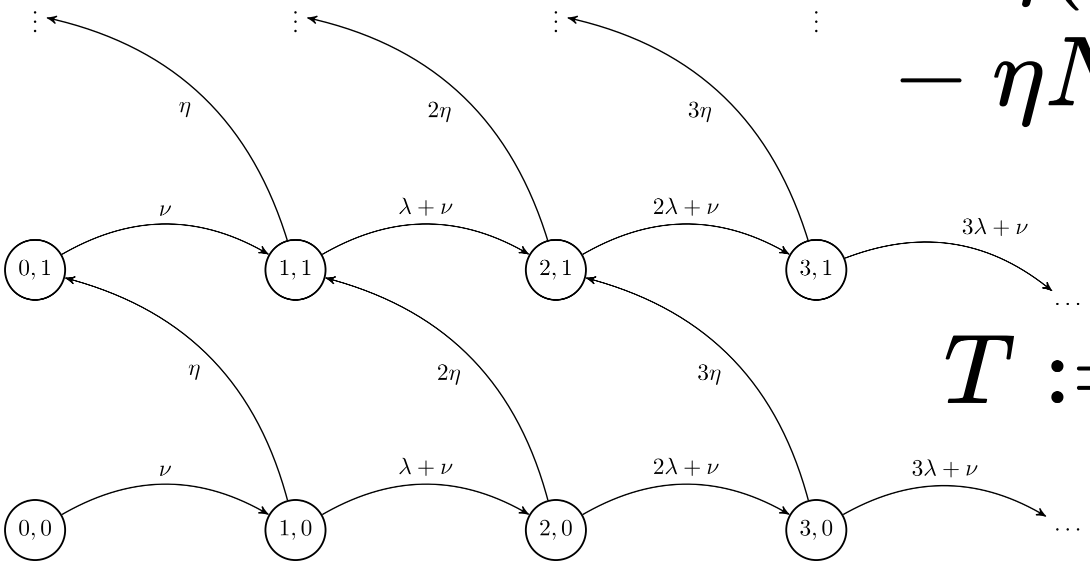
$$\frac{\mathrm{d}P_{N,n}}{\mathrm{d}T} = [\lambda(N-1)+\nu]P_{N-1,n} - [\lambda N P_{N,n}+\nu]P_{N,n} + \eta(N+1)P_{N+1,n-1} - \eta N P_{N,n}$$



$$T := \text{reporting period}$$

Moments of cases *n* were found with generating functions

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

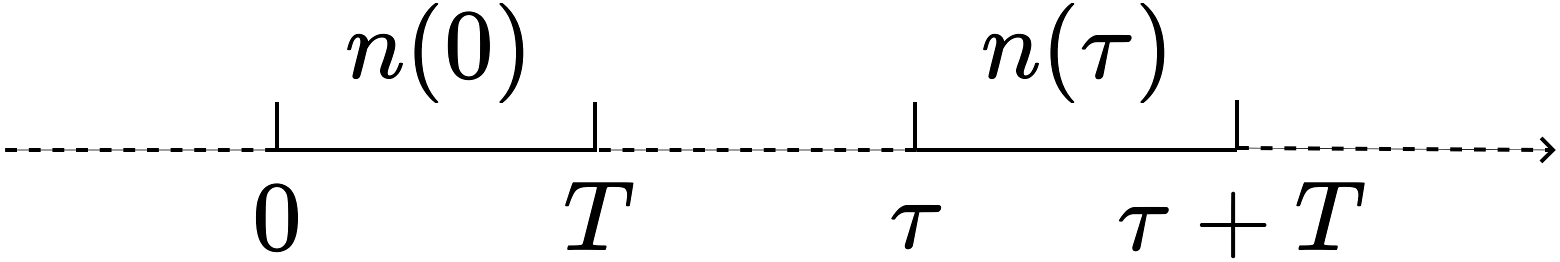
$$\langle n\rangle = \eta T\nu/(\eta-\lambda)$$

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

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

(Hopcraft et al. 2014)

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



$$g(\tau; T) := \frac{\langle n(0) n(\tau) \rangle}{\langle n \rangle^2}$$

(Hopcraft et al. 2014)

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

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(\tau, T) &:= [\langle n(0) n(\tau) \rangle - \langle n \rangle^2] / \operatorname{var} n \\ &= \frac{g(\tau; T) - 1}{n^{[2]} - 1 + \langle n \rangle^{-1}}. \end{aligned}$$

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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.

$$m := \text{number of reports}$$
$$\xi := \text{reporting probability}$$

$$q_{\text{bin}}(s, z; T) = q(s, z\xi; T)$$
$$\langle m_{\text{bin}} \rangle = \xi \langle n \rangle$$
$$m_{\text{bin}}^{[2]} = n^{[2]}$$

(Hopcraft et al. 2014)

Same result holds when allowing for overdispersion

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

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

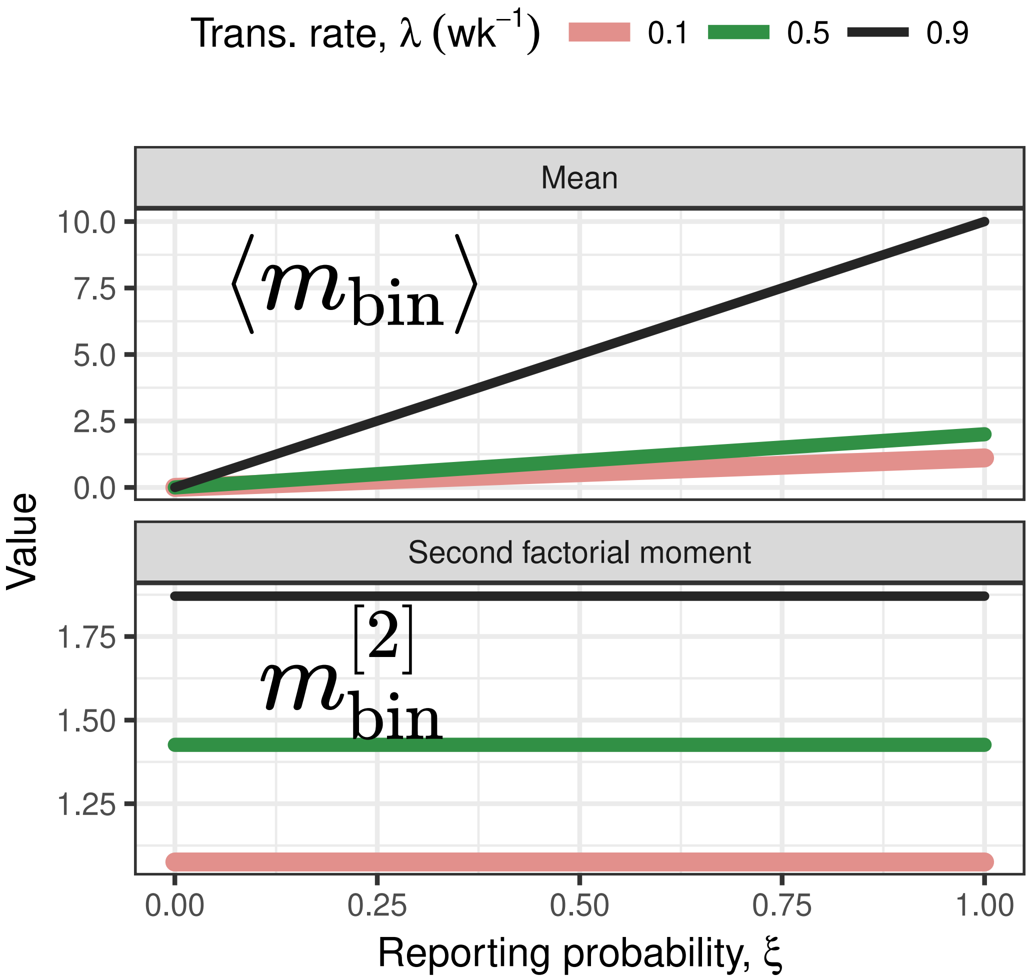
$$\phi := \text{dispersion parameter}$$

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

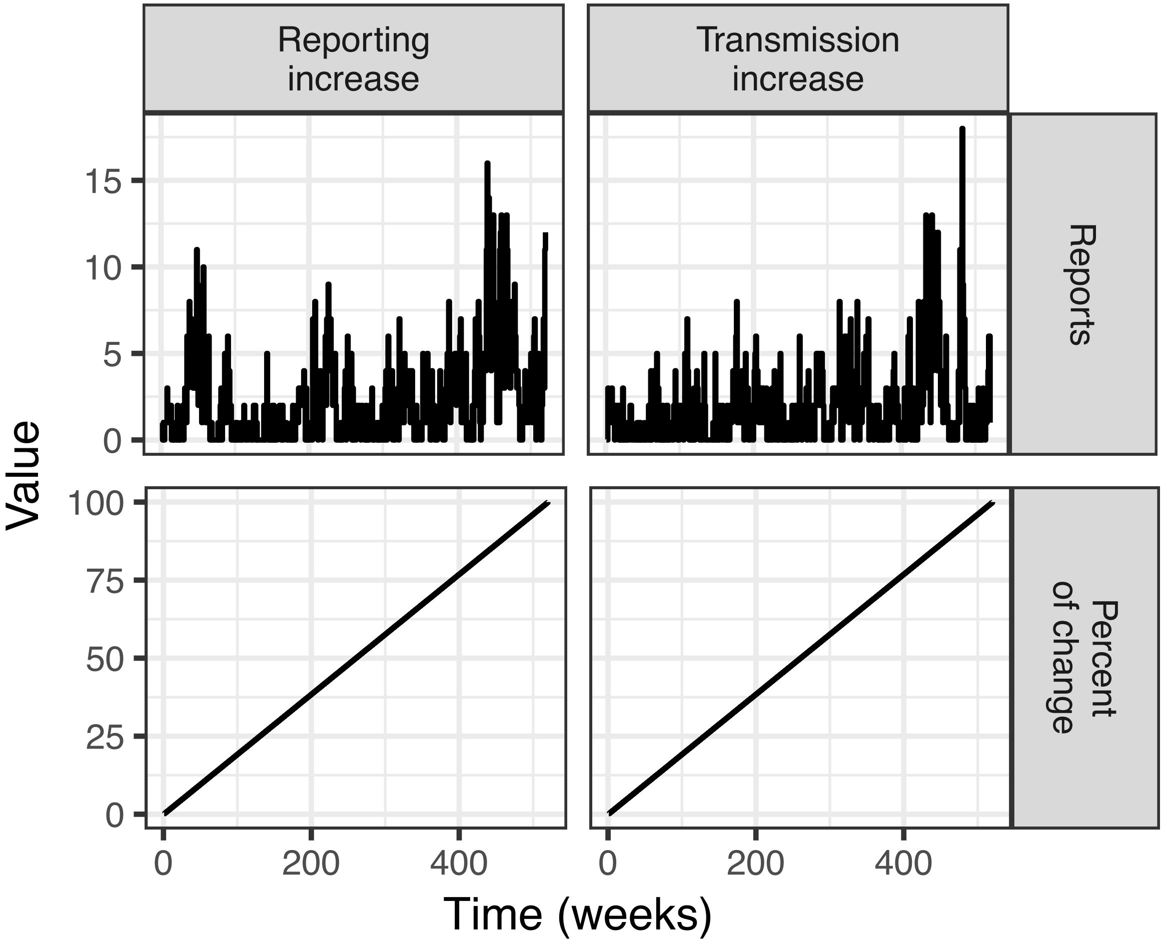
$$\langle m_{\mathrm{nb}} \rangle = \xi \langle n \rangle$$

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

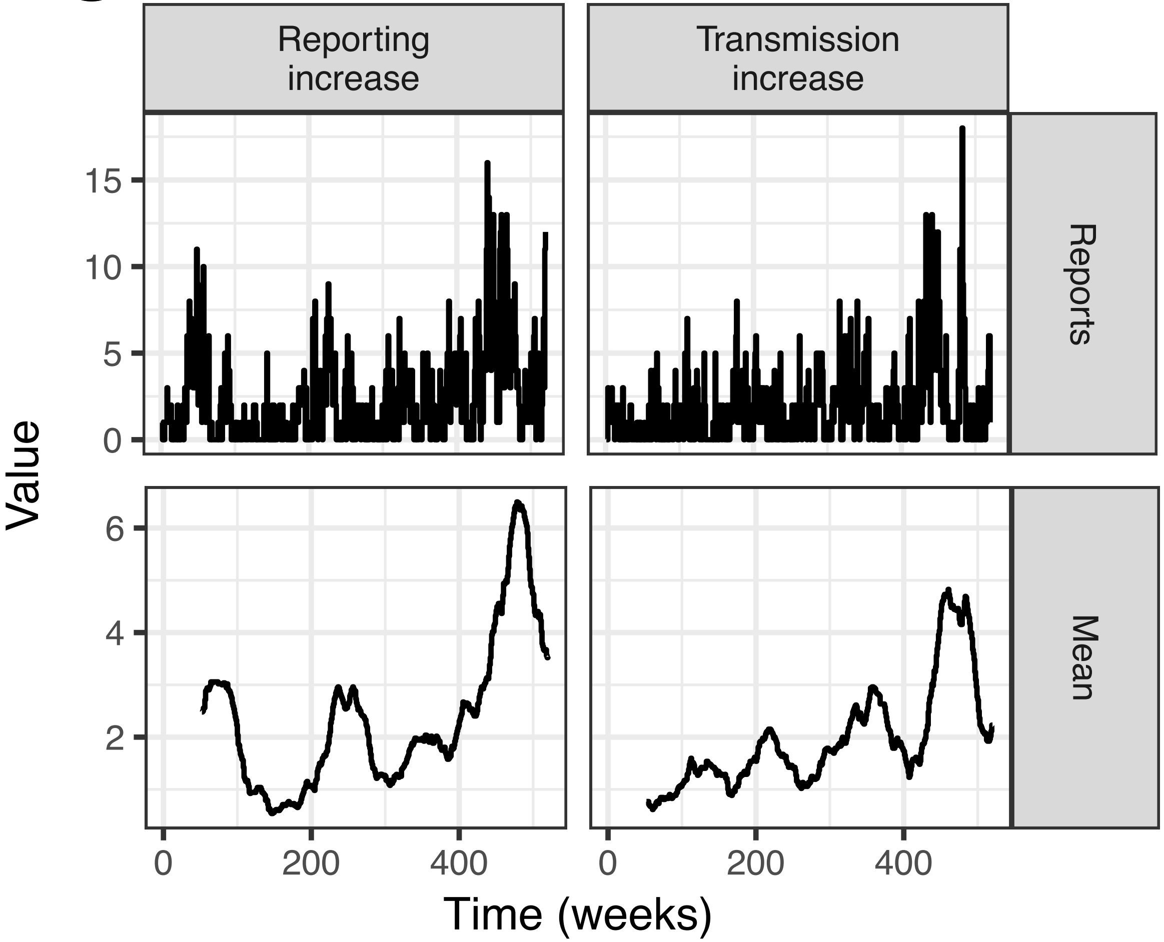
Second-order indicators can be more specific



We simulated increasing reports under two scenarios



We estimated moments in moving windows for each series



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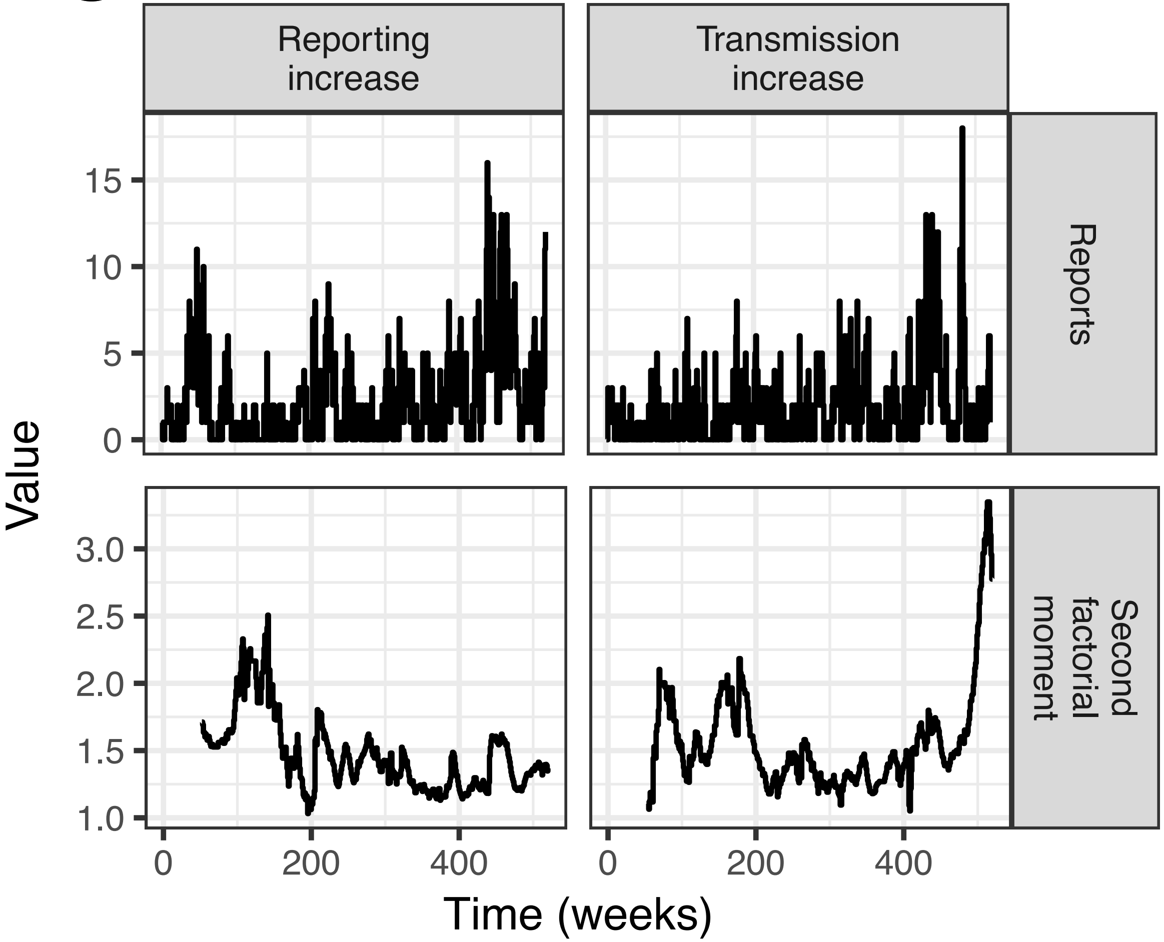
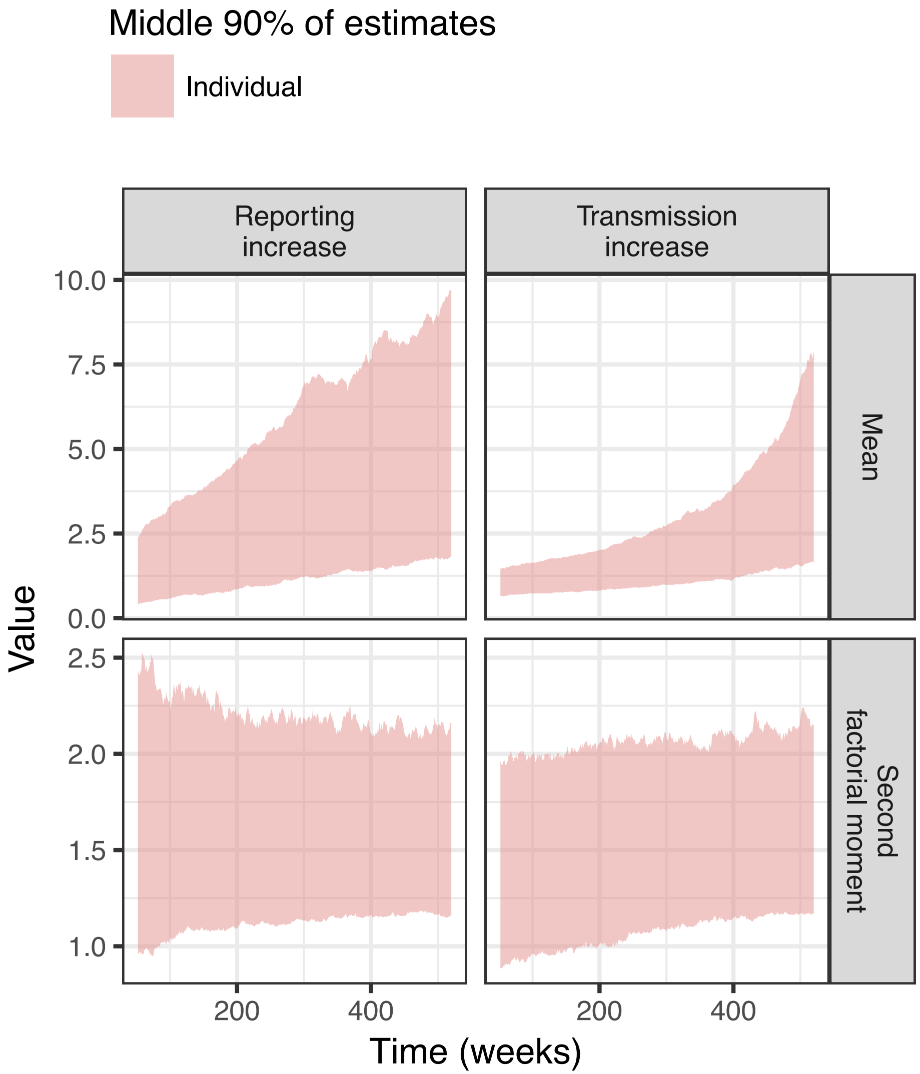
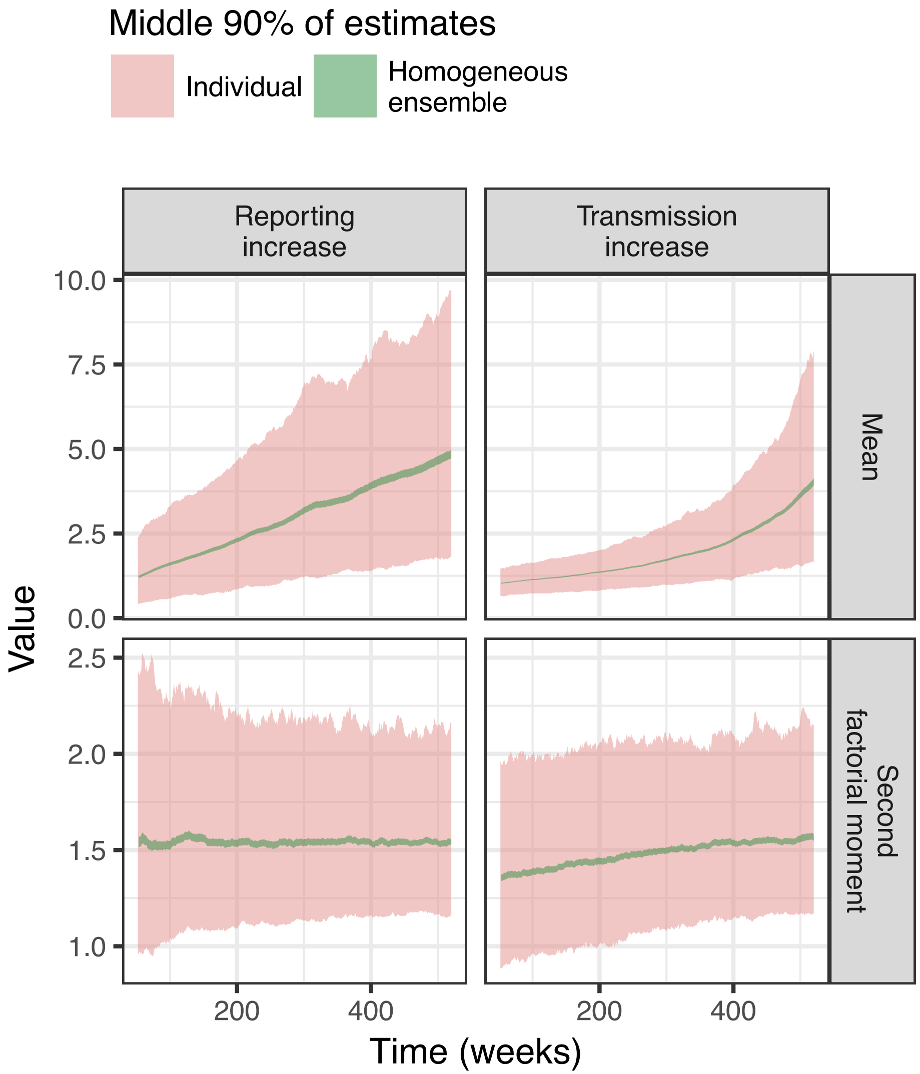


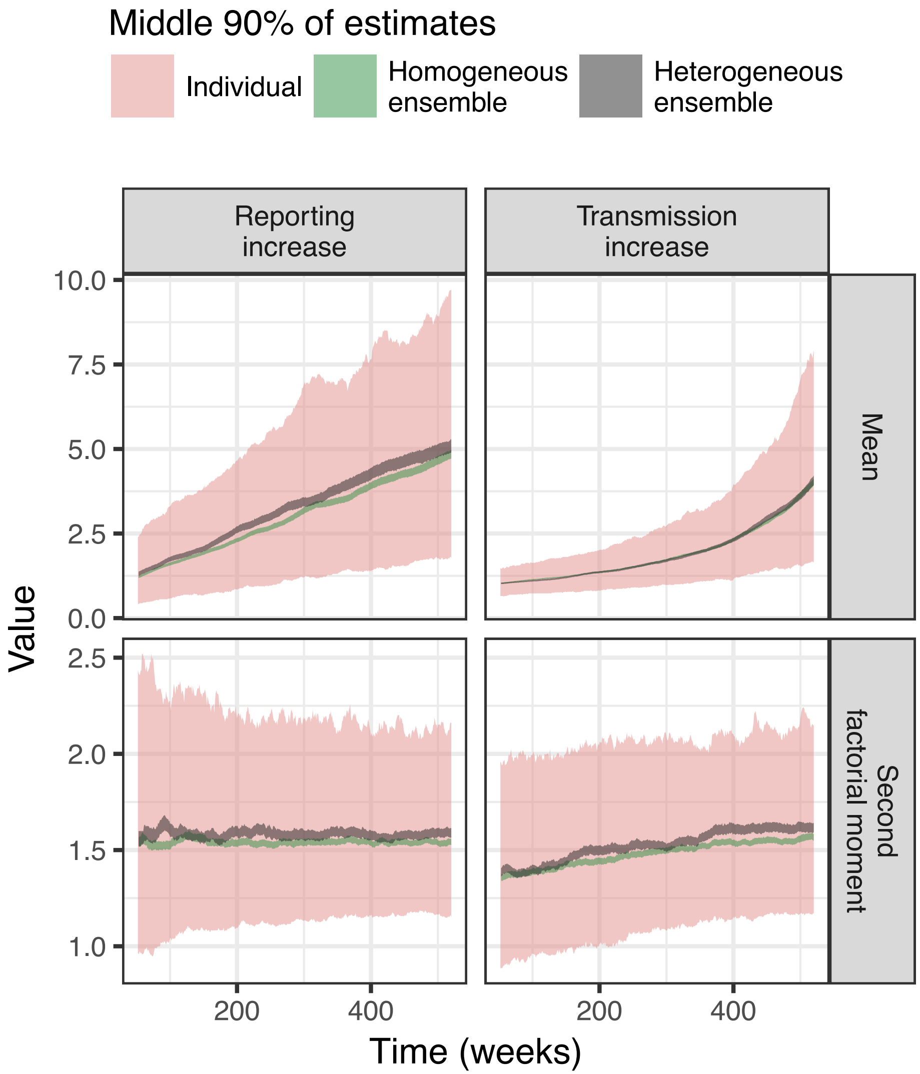
Expected trends were seen, but the noise was high



The noise can be reduced if multiple time series available



Some variation across time series is not a problem



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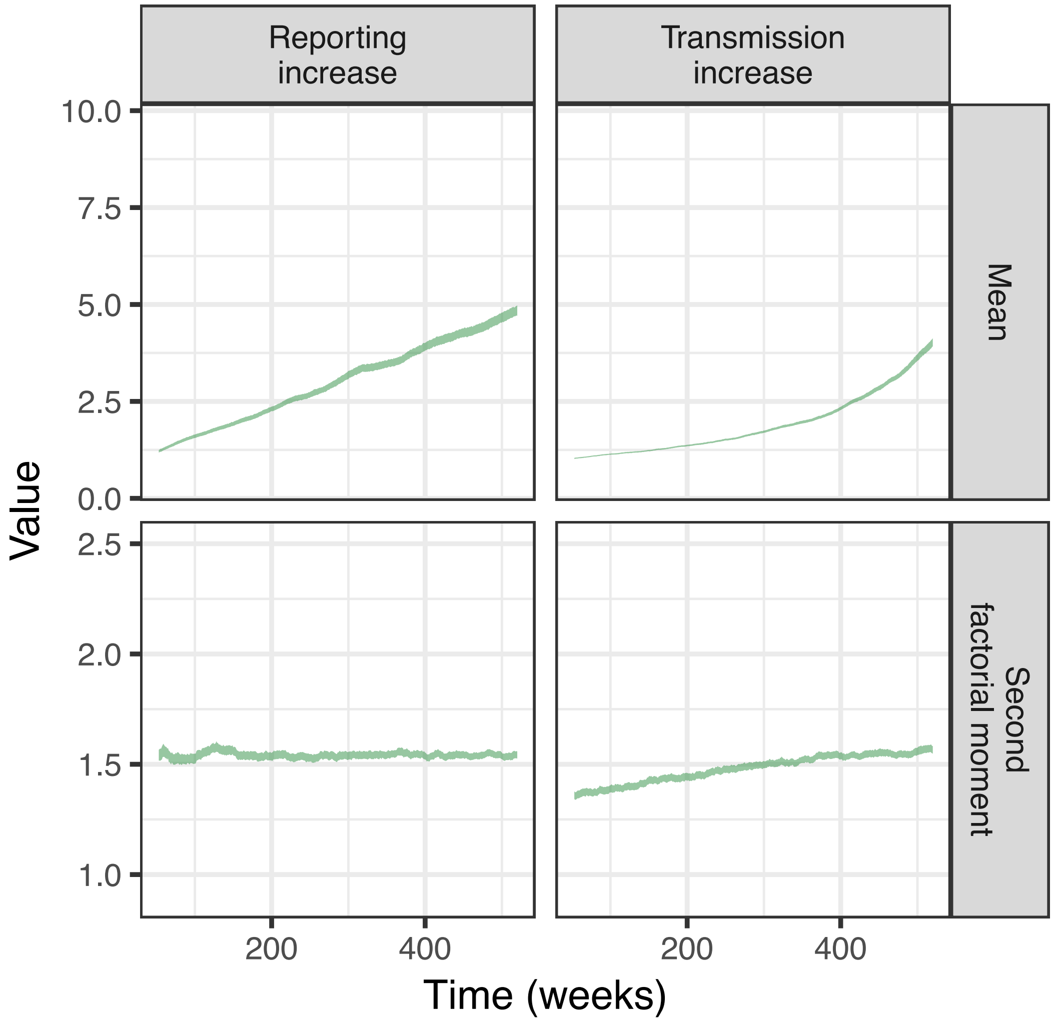
2. Some of them are insensitive to changes in reporting probabilities



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

Thanks!

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