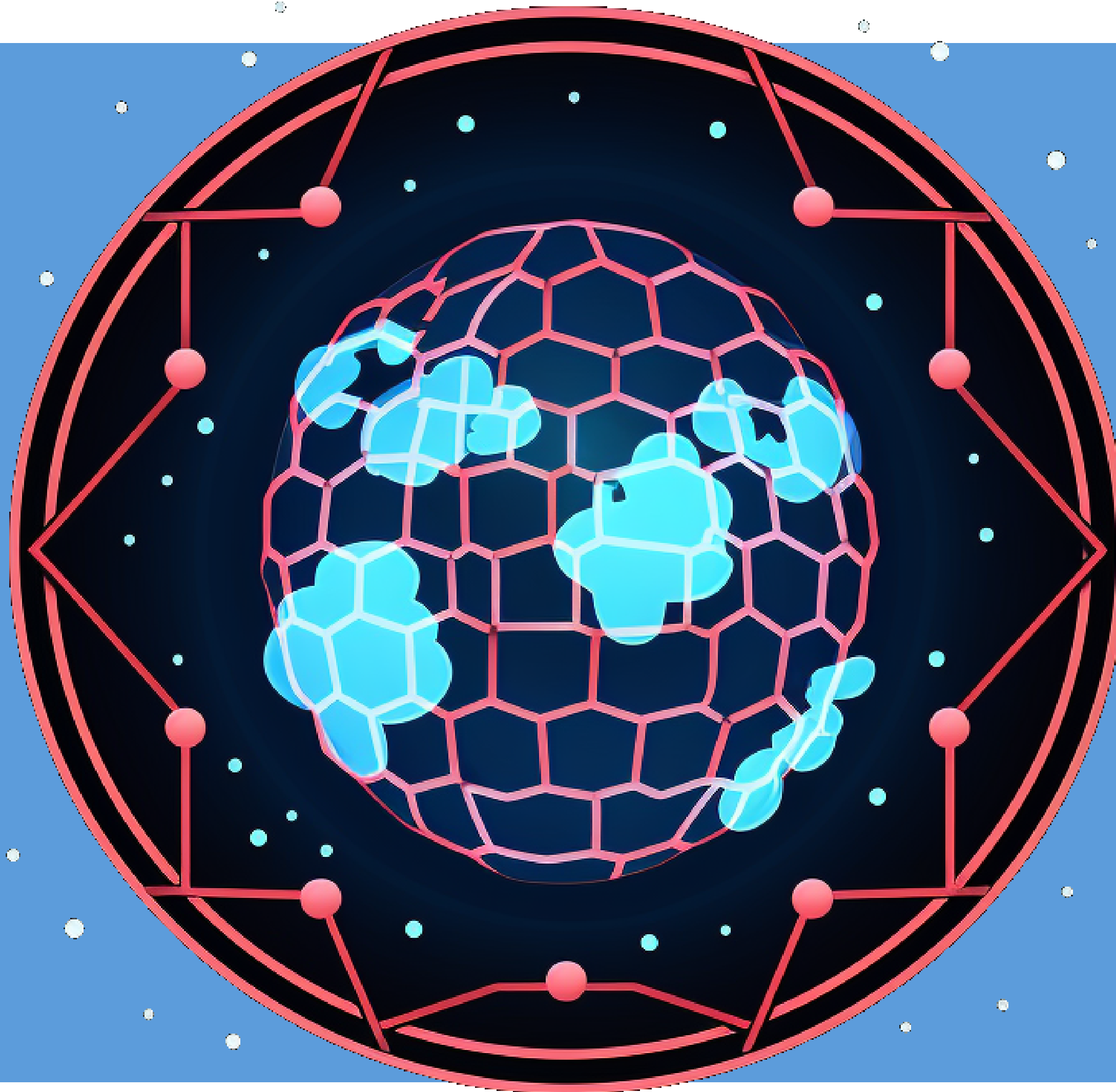


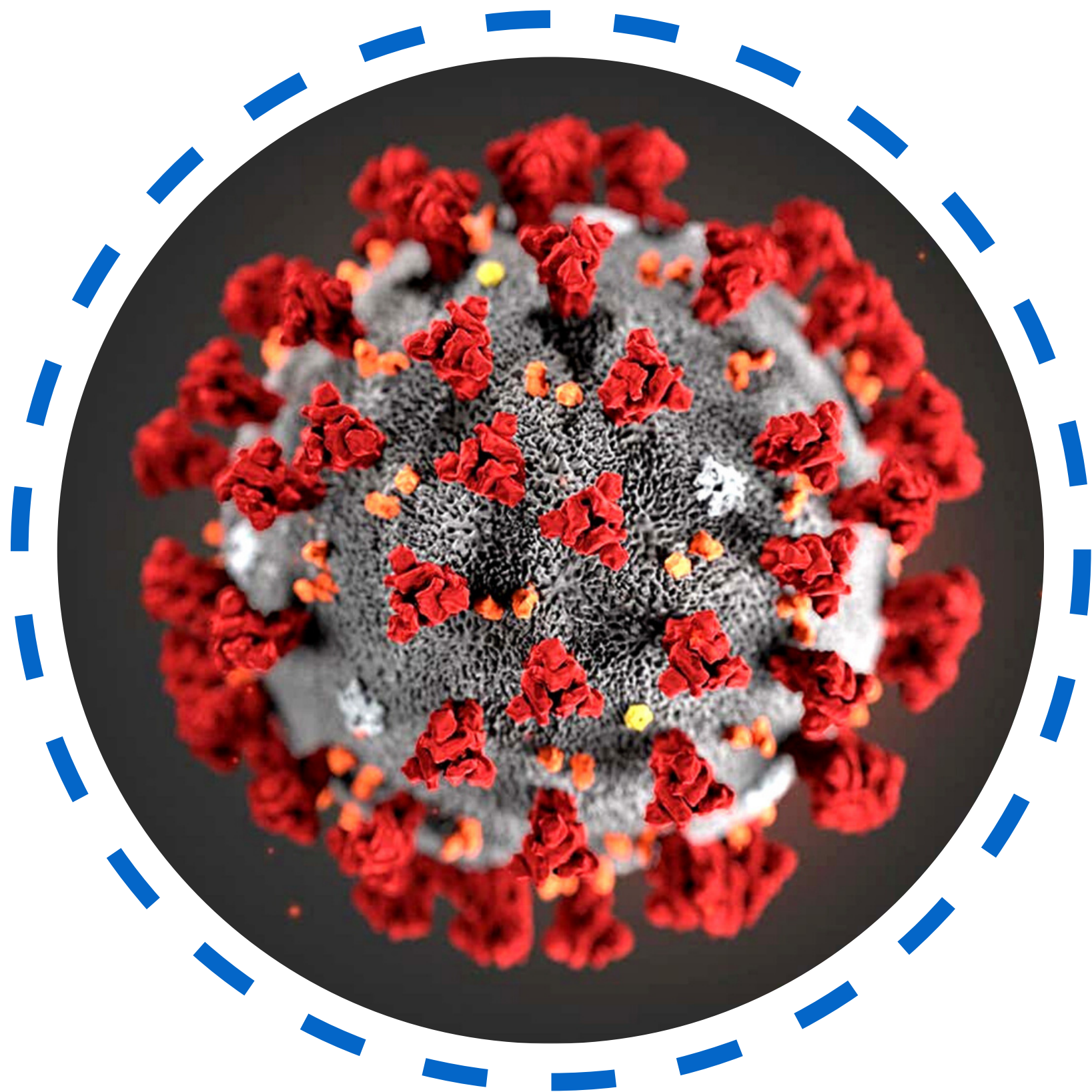


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# COVID CAST

PREDICT TO  
PROTECT





# THE PROBLEM

**Pandemics are an existential threat.**

# COVIDCASTS GOAL

**Predict to Protect.**

# Time Line of Covid

## OUTBREAK

First death in January 2020.

## WORLD UNDER SEIGE

By July, 1/3 of the world in lockdowns. New Delta Variant,

## WHAT'S NEXT?

January  
59 Cases  
1 Dead

March  
1m Cases  
100k Dead

August  
30m Cases  
1m Dead

December  
100m Cases  
2m Dead

Today  
760m Cases  
7 m Dead

## PANDEMIC!

By March 2020, COVID on every continent.

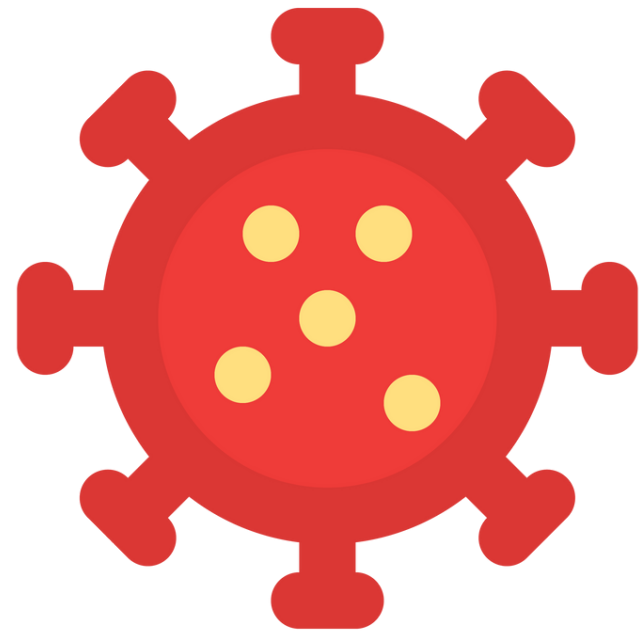
## THE COMEBACK

First vaccines in 2020 December.



# COVIDCast:

## SIRD MODEL



### REPRODUCTION RATE

How many people get infected  
from one sick person!?



## Time Series Models

1

SARIMAX

2

PROPHET

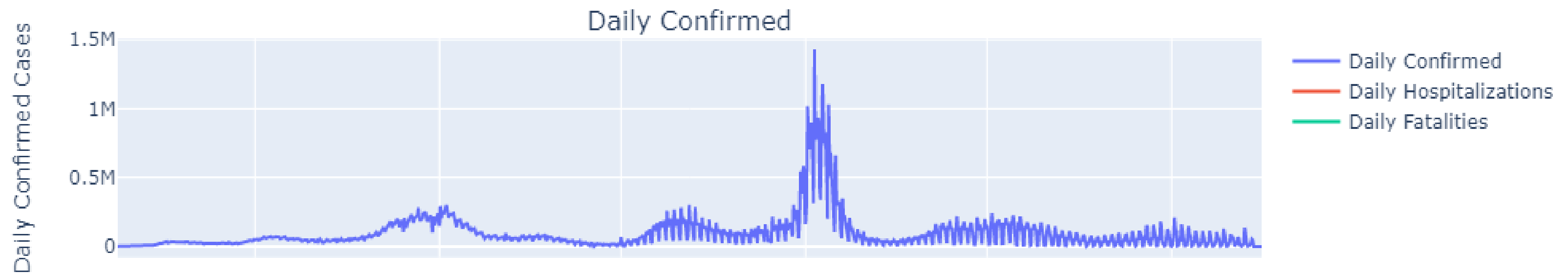
# TARGET FEATURES

## NATIONAL US DATA

### NEW CONFIRMED

The number of new confirmed COVID-19 cases on the given date.

Daily Confirmed Cases, Hospitalizations, and Fatalities over Time



# DATA COLLECTION

## COVSIRPHY

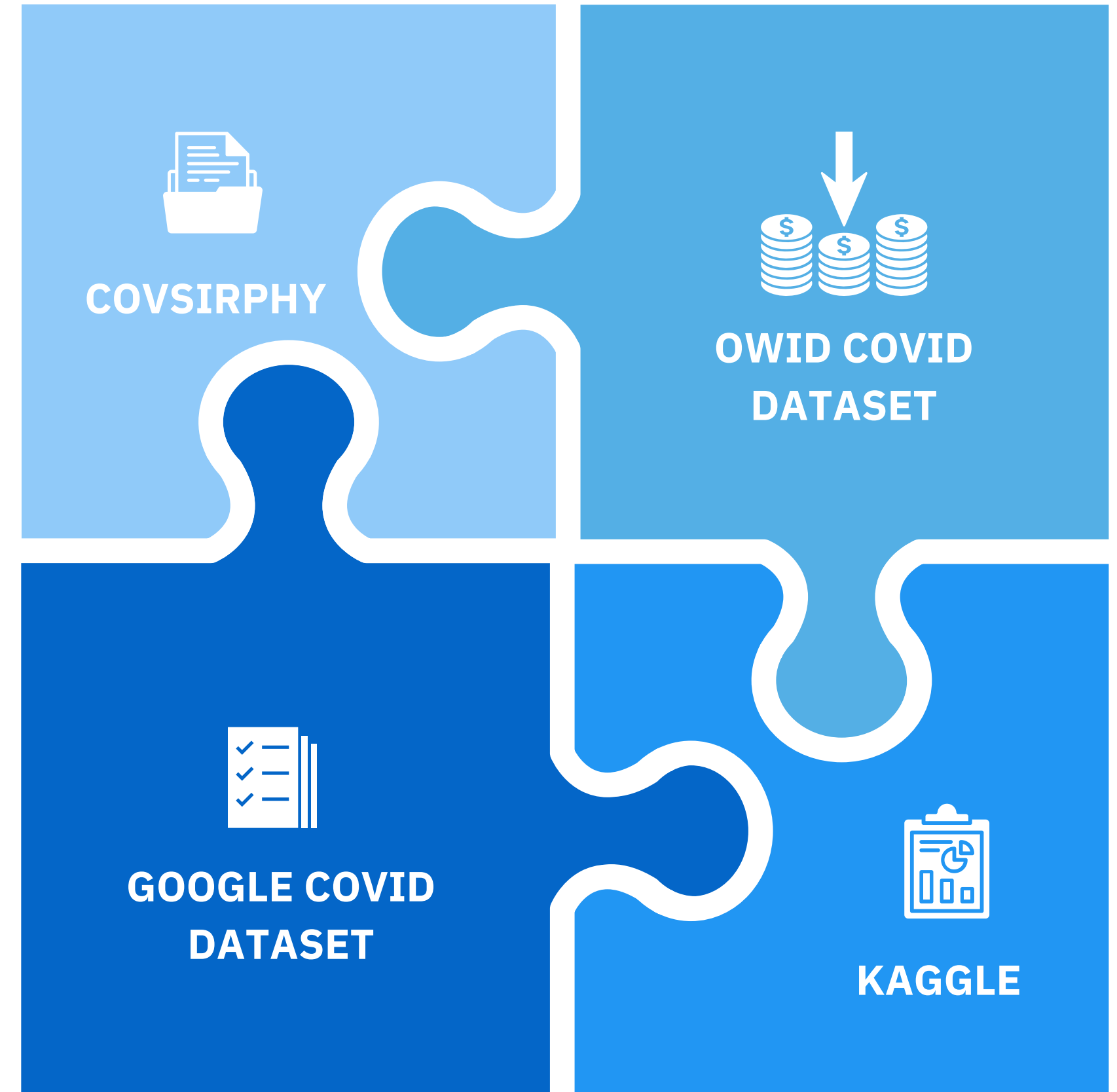
- Epidemiological Modeling.
- Real Time Global Covid Datasets.

## GOOGLE DATASET

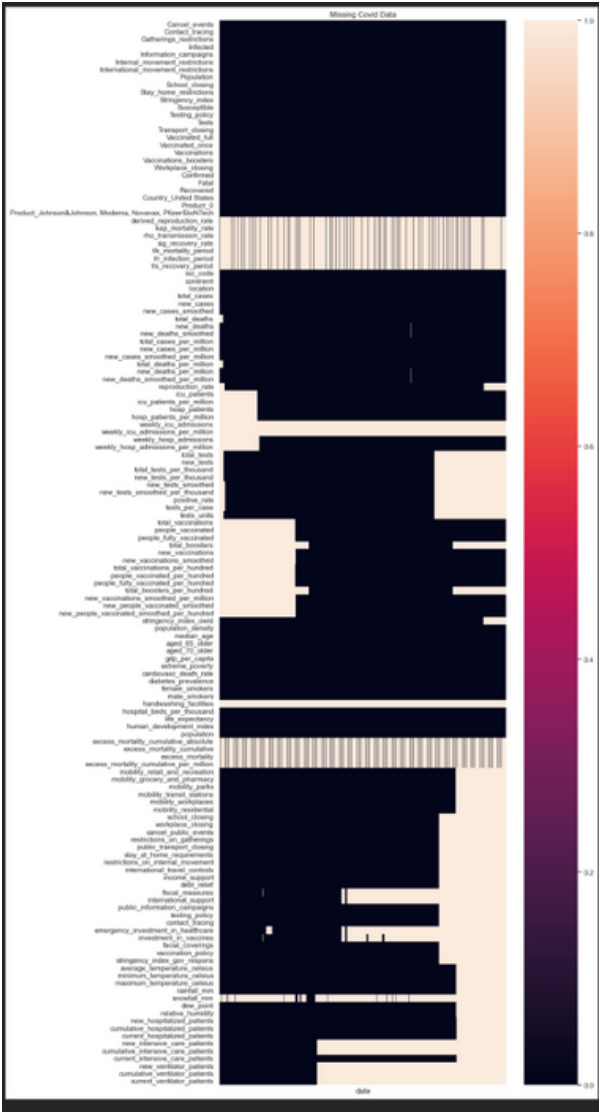
- Weather, Mobility, Regulation
- Stopped 9/15/2022

## OWID COVID DATASET

- Hospitalizations, Testing, Excess Morbidity.

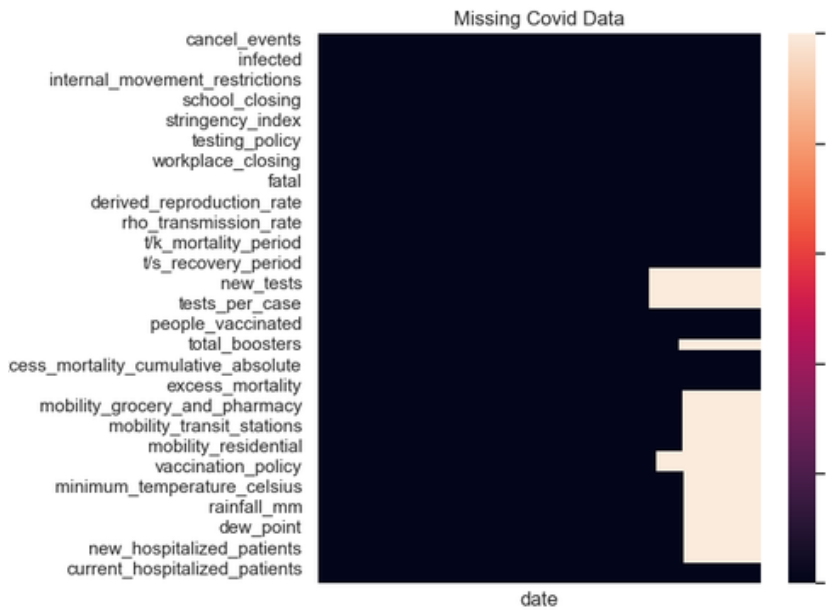


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30% nulls



# The Stages of Cleaning

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1131 x 45 columns



1

IMPUTING FROM  
OTHER DATASETS

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INTERPOLATE

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FILLNA AND DERIVE

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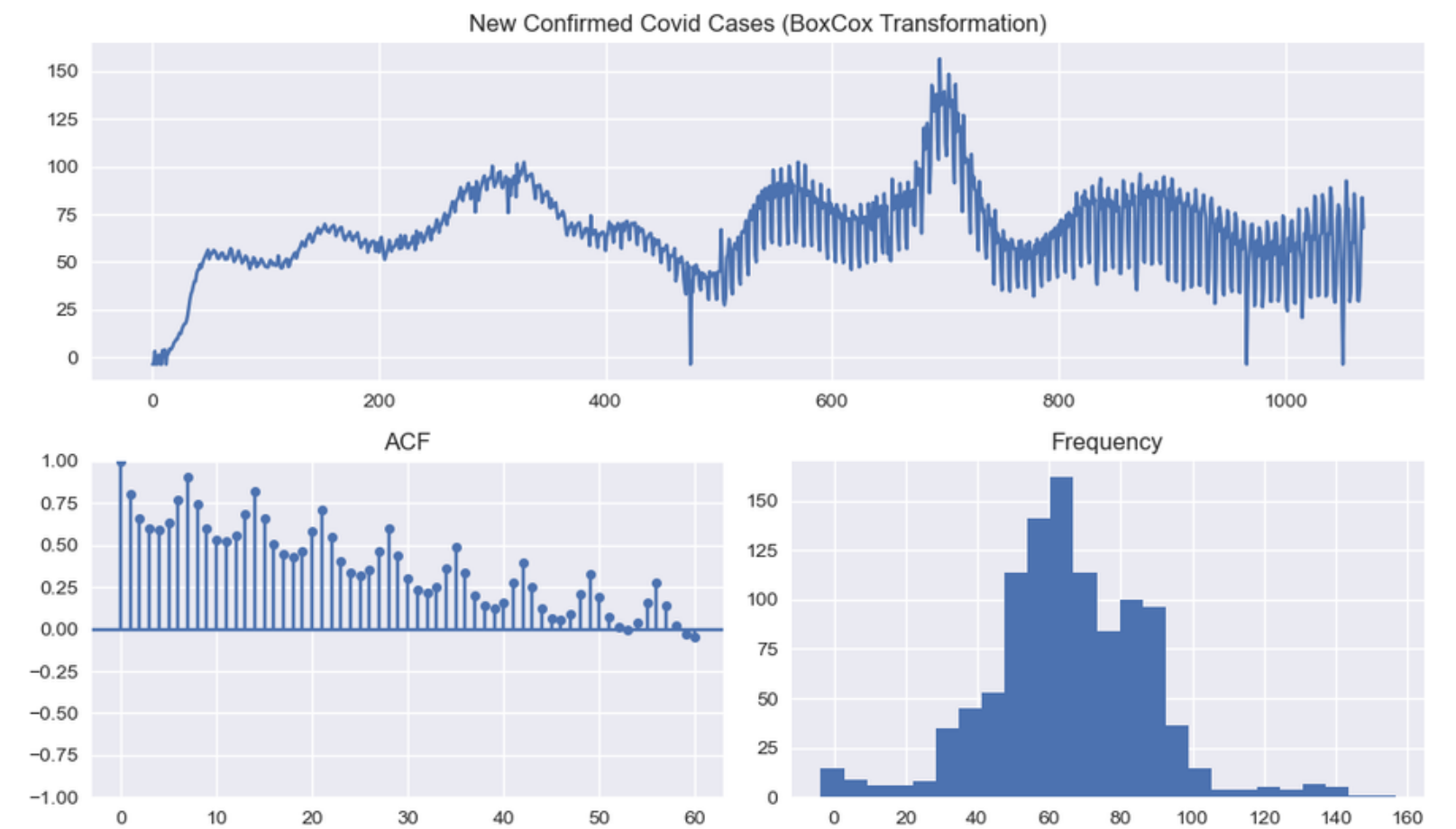
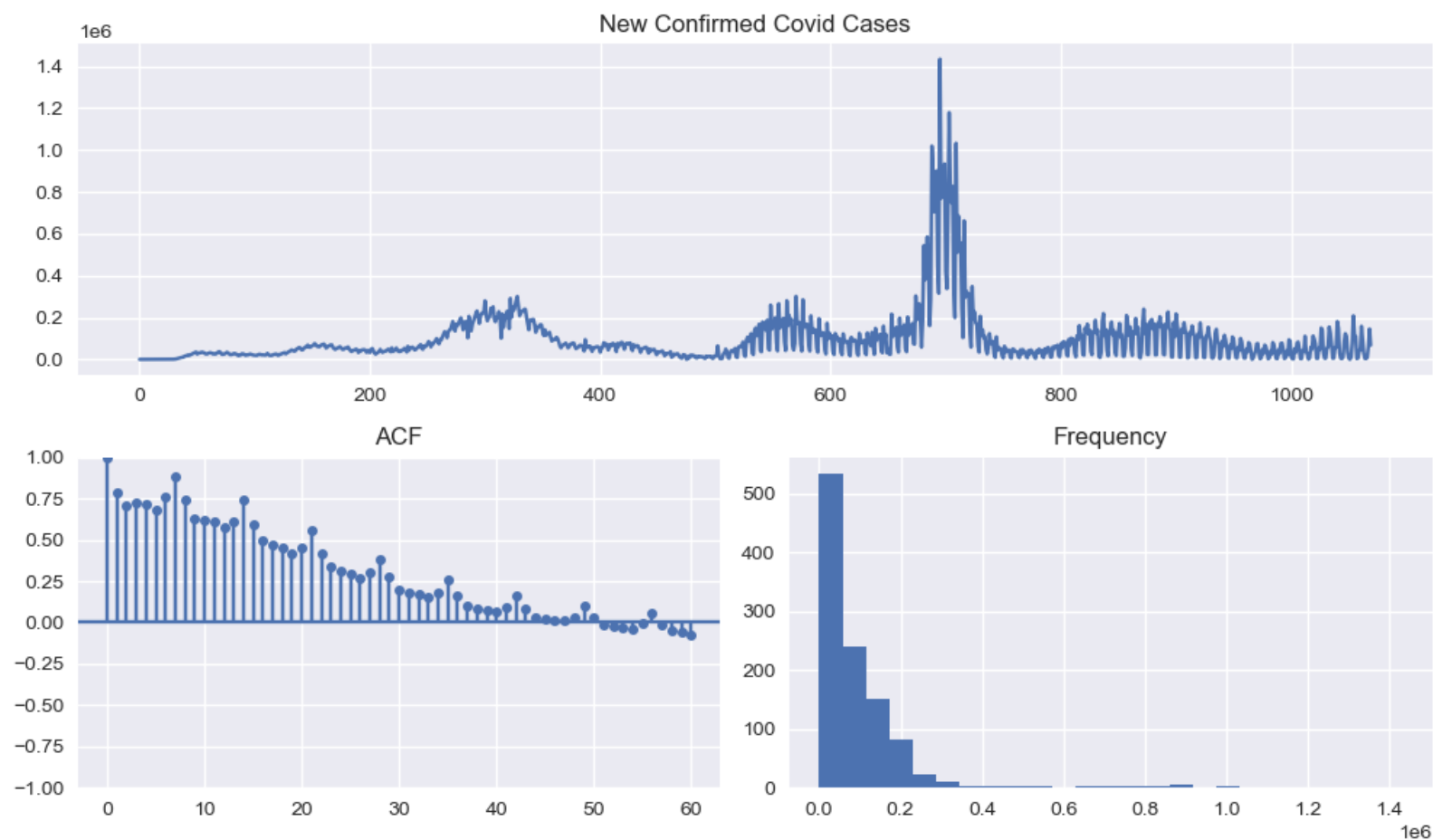
REMOVE COLUMNS,  
NARROW RANGE

# TIMES SERIES PREPROCESSING FOR SARIMAX

**d:**  
**Find the**  
**Difference**

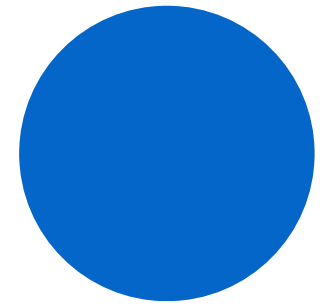
**q, p:**  
**ACF, PACF**

**P, D, Q, M:**  
**Seasonality**



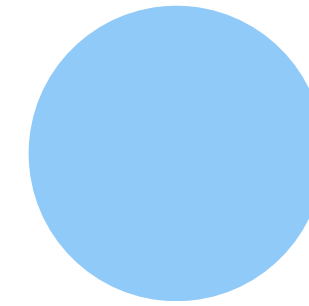


# FINDING THE ORDER OF ARIMA



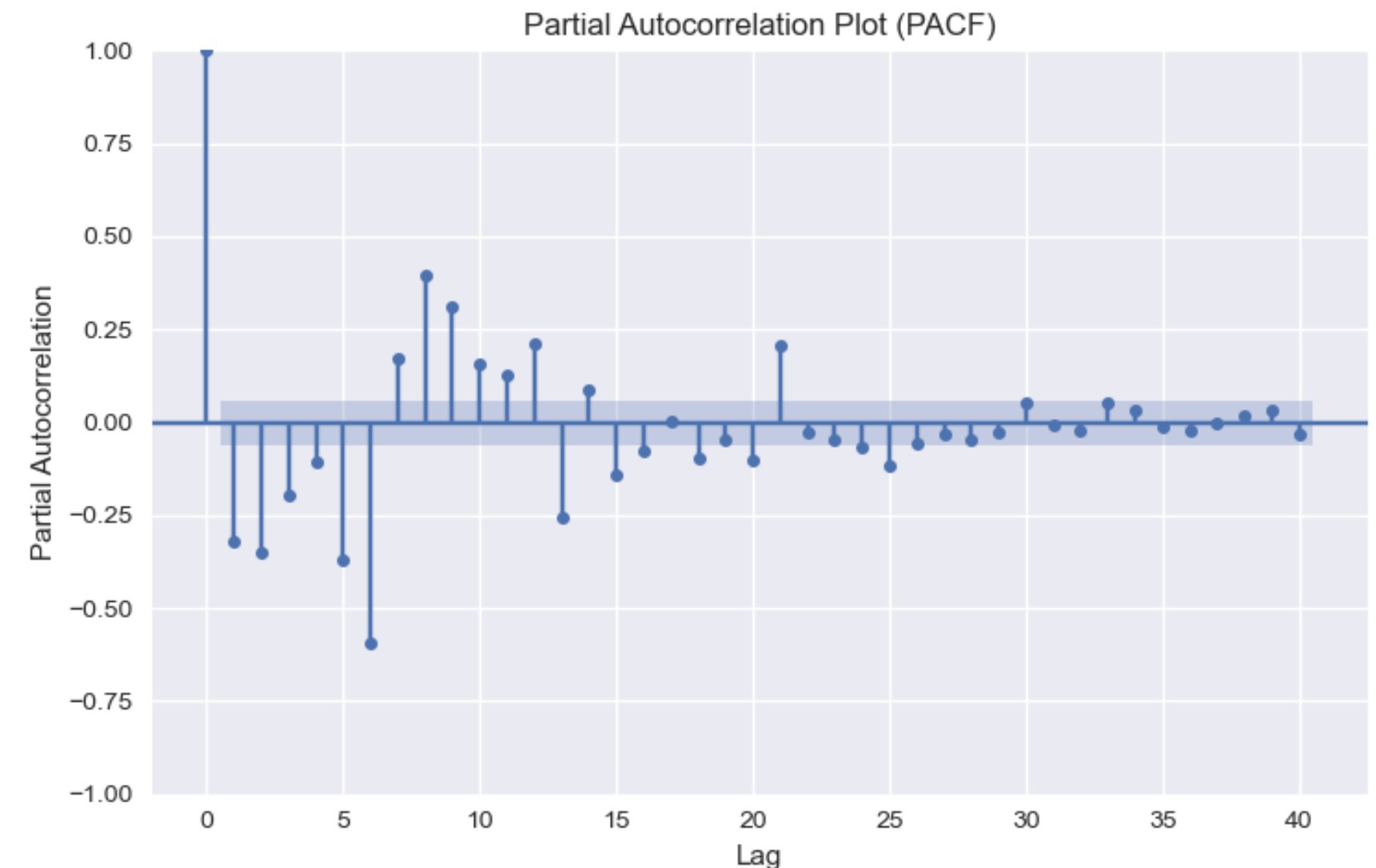
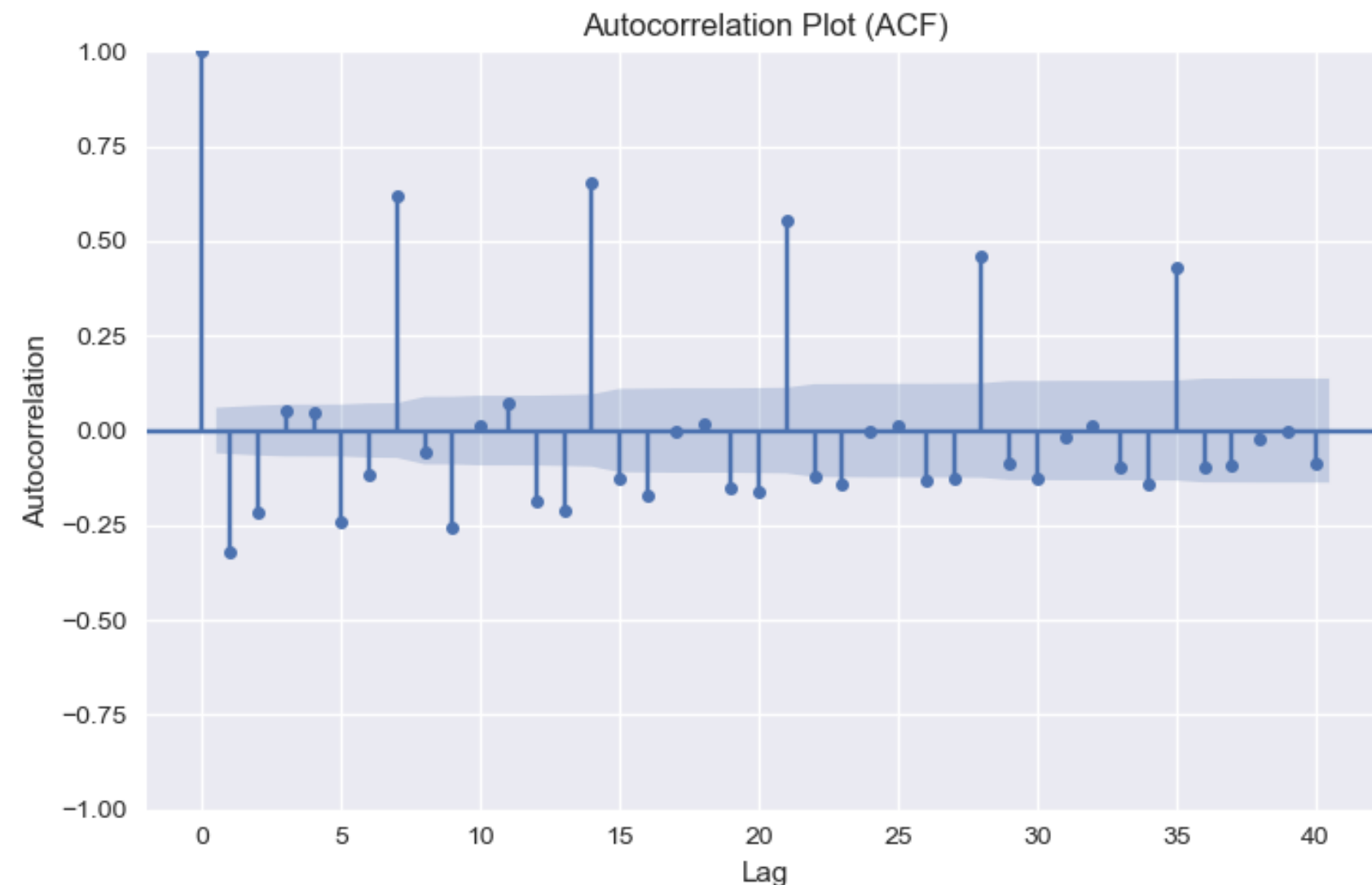
## AUTOCORRELATION

- Decays relatively quick
- $q = 2-3$  Moving Average Lags

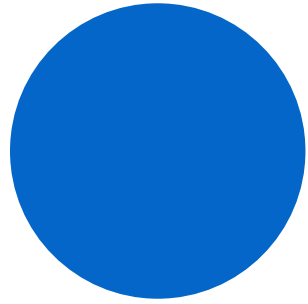


## PARTIAL AUTOCORRELATION

- Remains significant out to several terms
- Seasonal effect likely important
- $p = 5-6$  Autoregression Lags

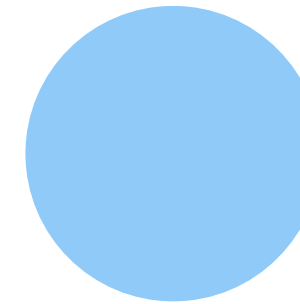


# SEASONALITY



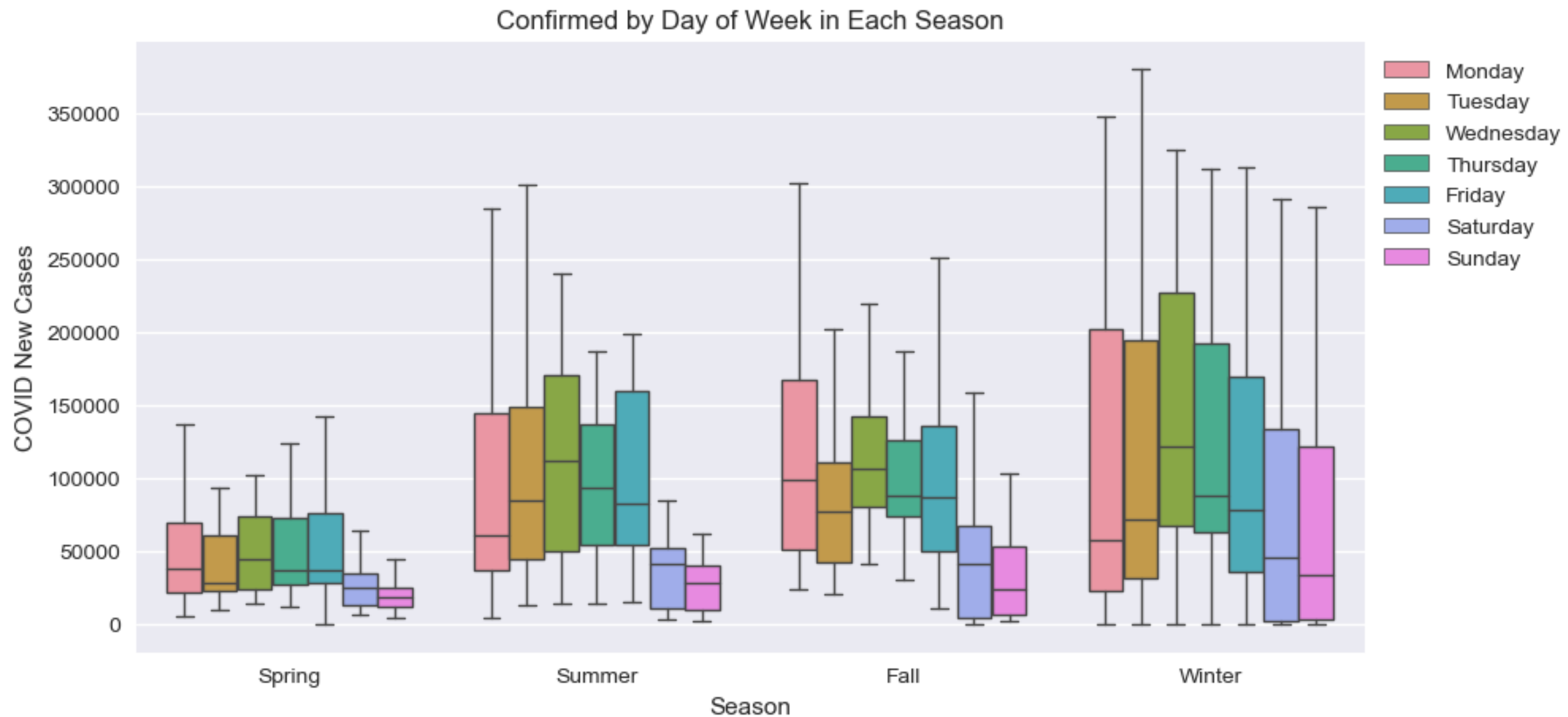
## WEEKLY CORRELATION

- Rise and Fall throughout every week
- Wednesday is peak, Sunday is trough
- $m = 7$  day periods



## QUARTERLY CORRELATION

- Winter sees higher number and more variance
- Spring is consistently the lowest



# SARIMAX MODEL

**p, d, q**  
**3, 0, 2**

## ARIMA ORDER

- Recent COVID data was predictive

**P, D, Q, M**  
**2, 1, 1, 7**

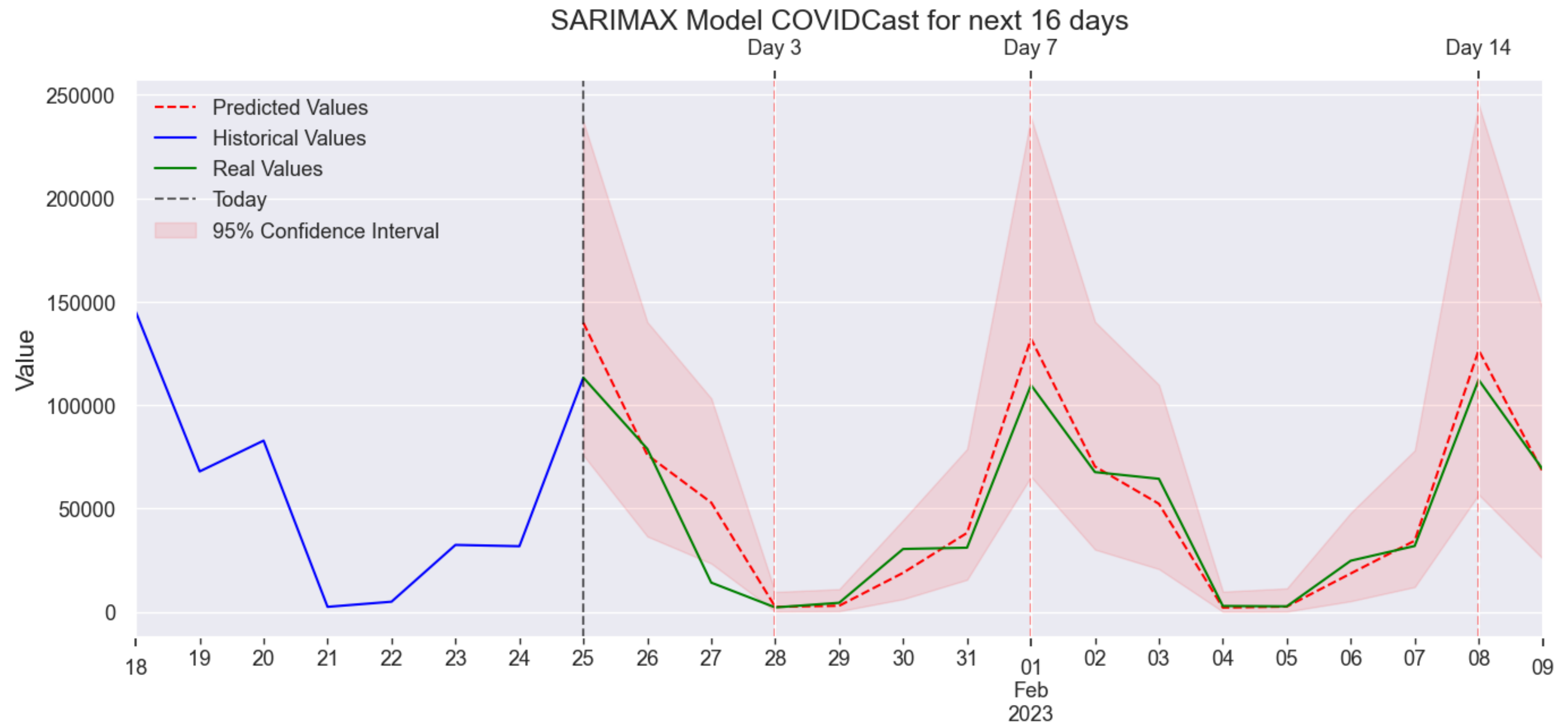
## SEASONAL ORDER

- Strong weekly effects

**6**

## EXOGENOUS VARIABLES

Stringency, r, vaccinations, hospitalized patients, mortality, month



# PROPHET MODEL

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## CHANGE POINT

- Very Flexible

0.1

## SEASONALITY

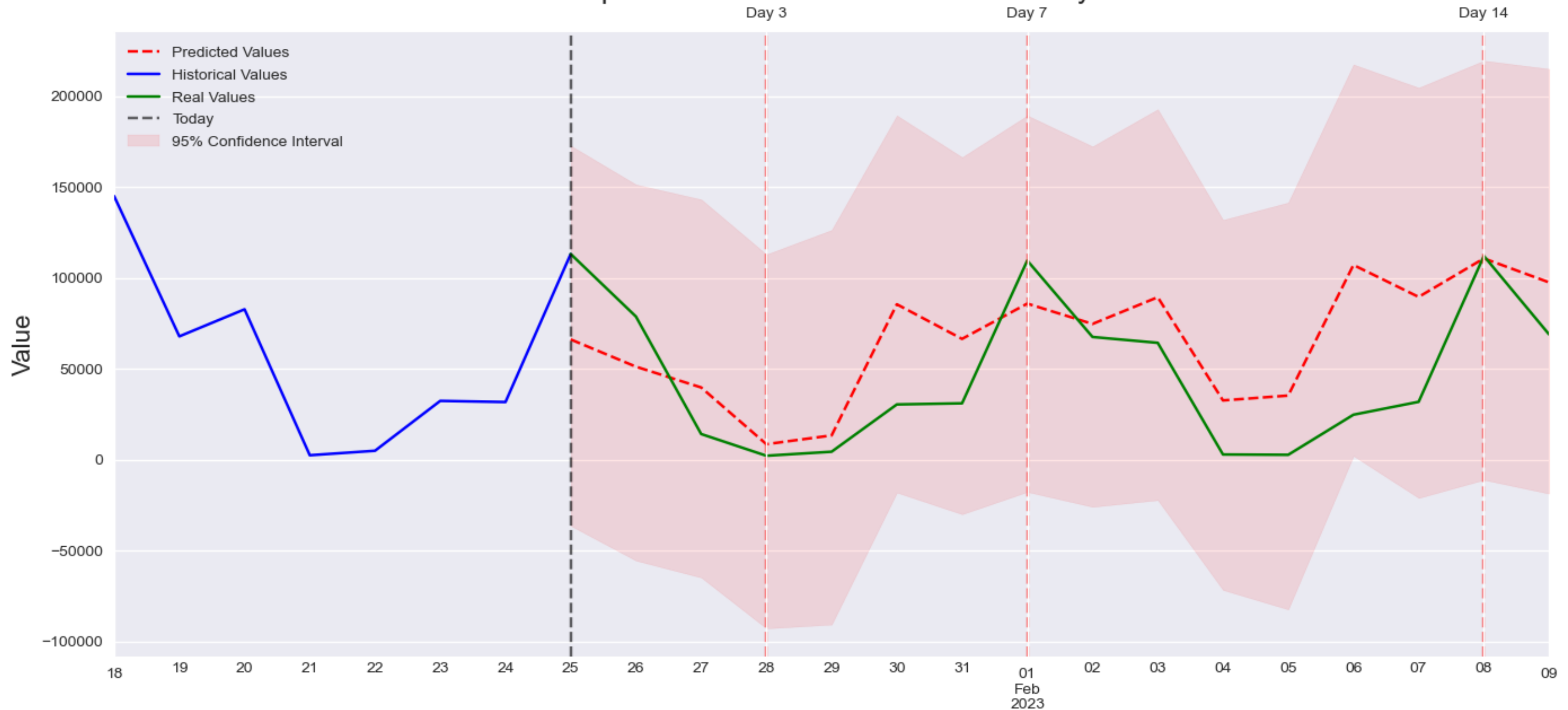
- Strong weekly effects

19

## EXOGENOUS VARIABLES

- Hospitalizations, and SIRD parameters

Prophet Model COVIDCast for next 16 days





# COVID CAST

## SARIMAX MODEL

Covid Cases Predictions

	Third Day	Seventh Day	Fourteenth Day
Predicted Values	2,479	132,069	126,569
Actual Values	2,200	109,666	112,192

Model's Cross Validation Scores over a 14 day Time Horizon

Mean Absolute Error: 38,691 Covid Cases

## PROPHET MODEL

Covid Cases Predictions

	Third Day	Seventh Day	Fourteenth Day
Predicted Values	8,566	85,969	110,850
Actual Values	2,200	109,666	112,192

Model's Cross Validation Scores over a 14 day Time Horizon

Model Coverage: 75%

Mean Absolute Error: 56,582 Covid Cases

# HEAD TO HEAD

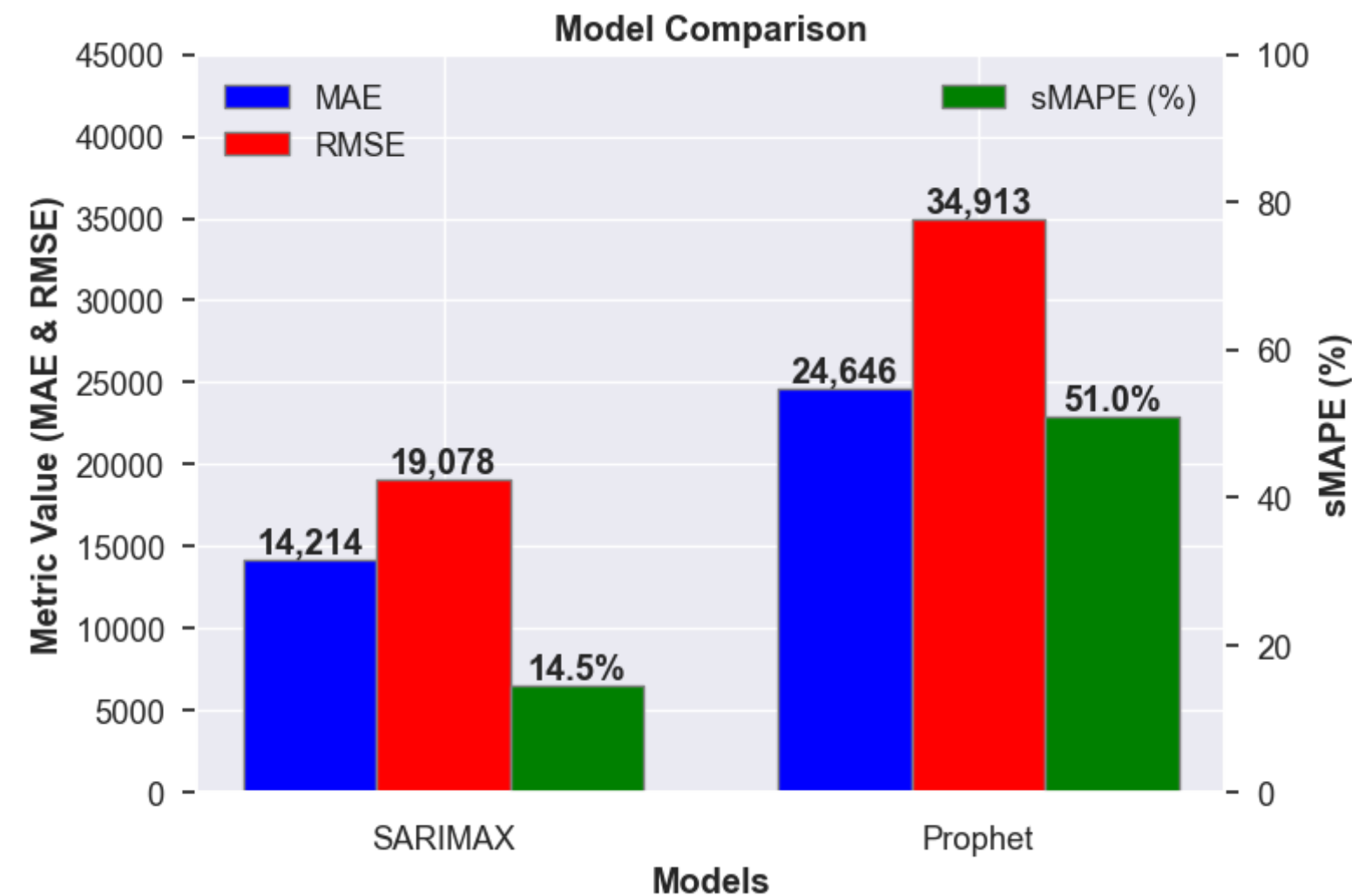
## Performance on Unseen Data

**SARIMAX**

**Order: (3, 0, 2)**

**Season: (2, 1, 1, 7)**

**Exog: 6**



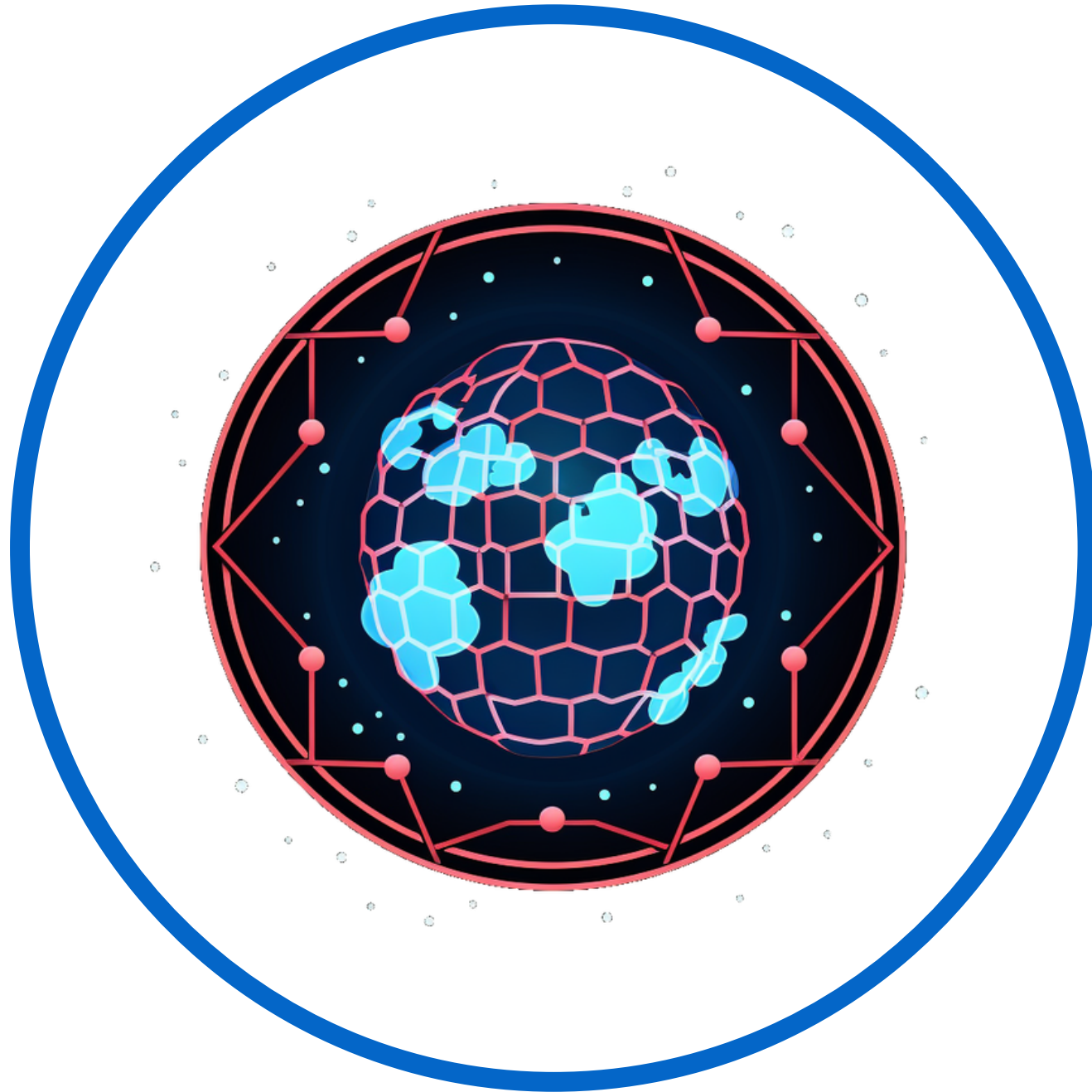
**PROPHET**

**Change Points: 10**

**Seasonal: 0.1**

**Exog: 19**

# Next Steps...



1 DEPLOY

2 CHANGE TARGET VARIABLE

3 RNNS

4 PREDICT TO PROTECT

# THANK YOU

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