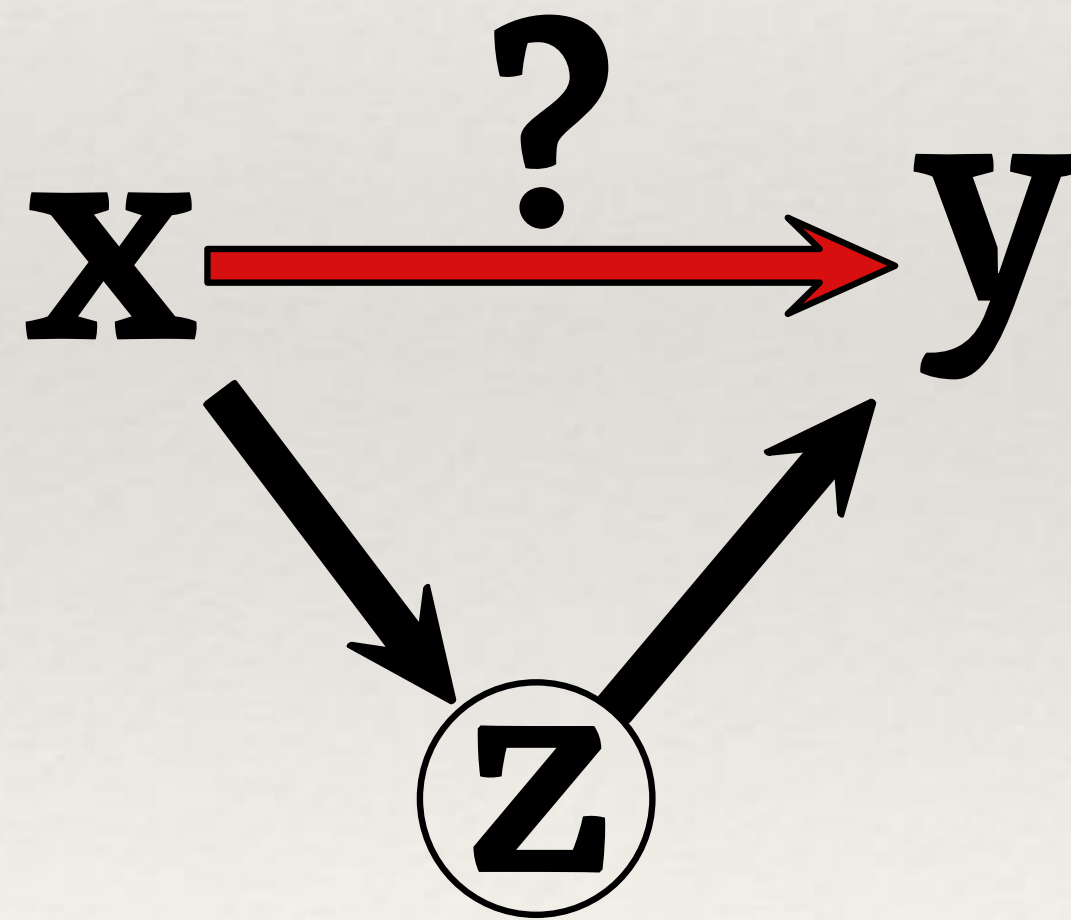

EXAMPLES OF PIPES OR MEDIATORS

Including a mediator in our models can have catastrophic effects. A common mistake is to include post-treatment variables in the model.



POST-TREATMENT VARIABLES

If we are evaluating the effectiveness of a fungal treatment, most of the effect of the treatment could be mediated by the presence of fungus. So, using presence of fungus in our model would mask the effect of the treatment.

