

# The effect of time dependent vaccination protection (SIR-model)

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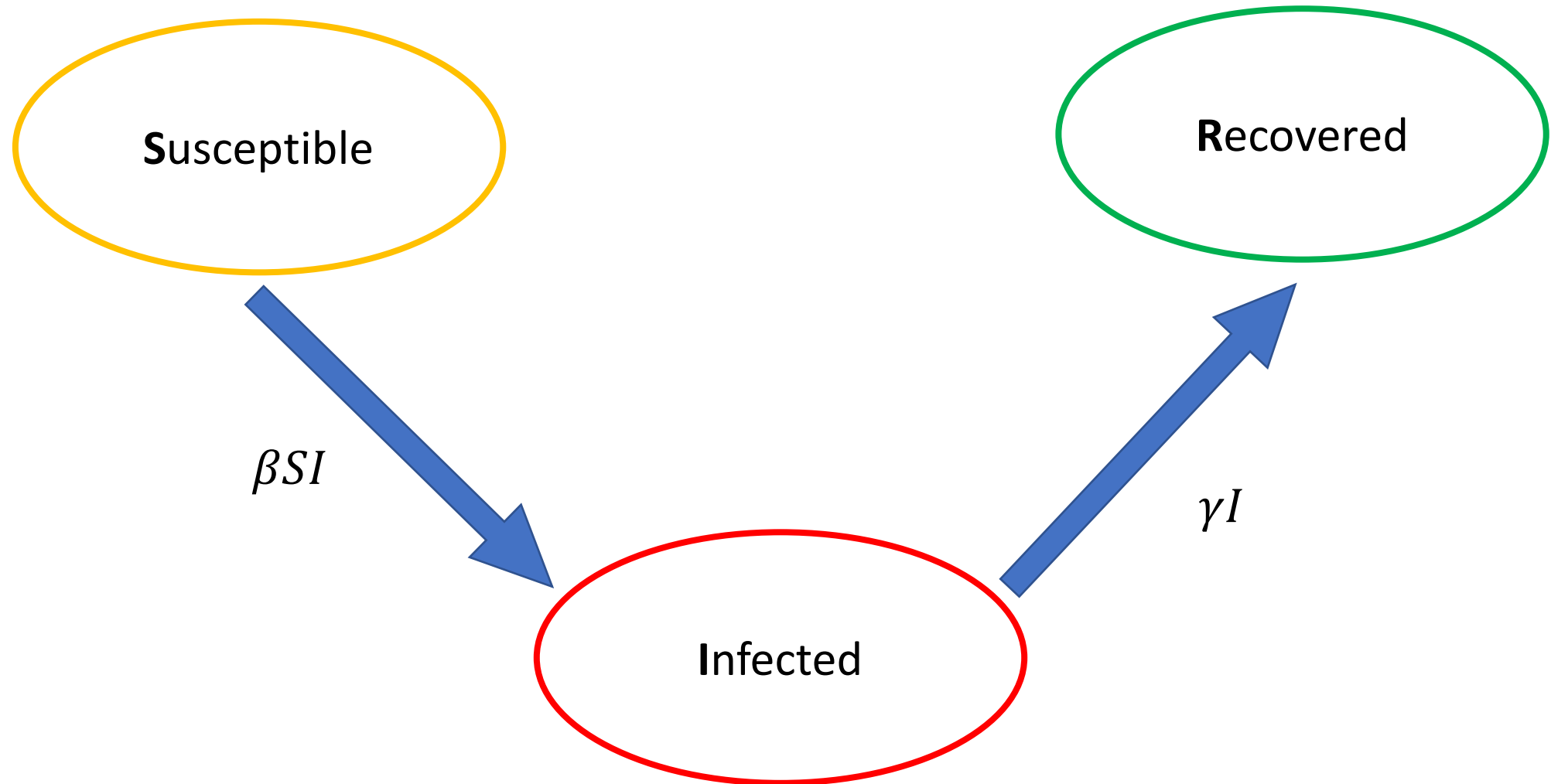
# Introduction & Motivation 1

- End of August 2021 the Austrian *COVID Prognose Konsortium* published a policy brief
- Predict the upcoming pandemic development until December 2021
- 1 of the 3 models: SIR-X-model
  - Very simple
  - Prone to input errors
  - One assumption: Covid-19 vaccines would maintain full protection over effective period

# Introduction & Motivation 2

- *Problem:* vaccination protection would not decrease, and consumers would become de facto immune (max. level is 80%)
- *Result:* severe misprediction, strong winter wave
- *Question:* In how far does this simple assumption change the model's prediction?

# Model design: Simple SIR-model



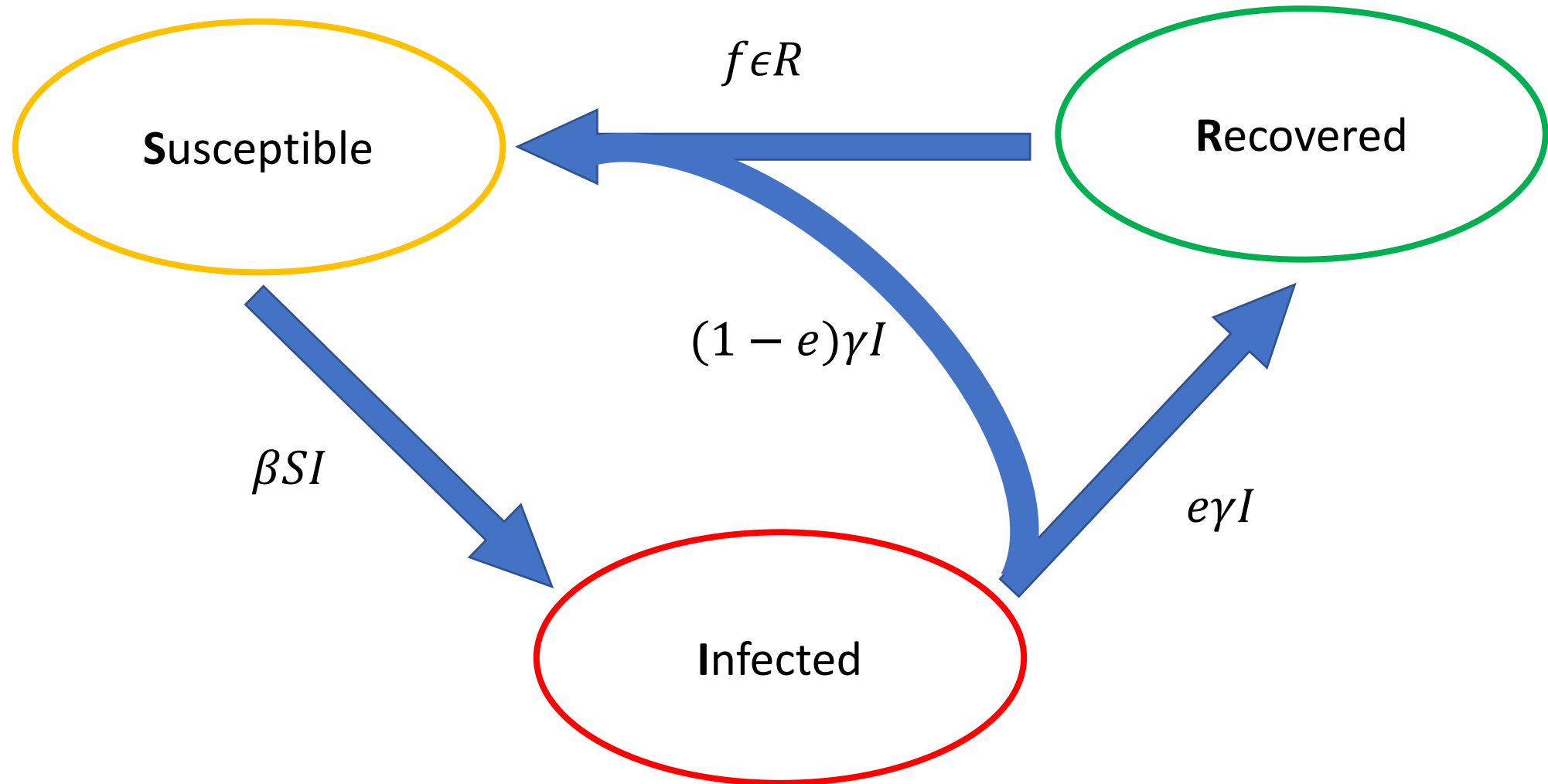
# Model design: Assumptions 1

- The average convalescence period of a Covid-19 infection is 10 days
- The maximum level of immunity  $e = 80\%$  on average
- There are no new vaccinations during the modelled time period
  - Naive approach was tried (bonus slides)

# Model design: Assumptions 2

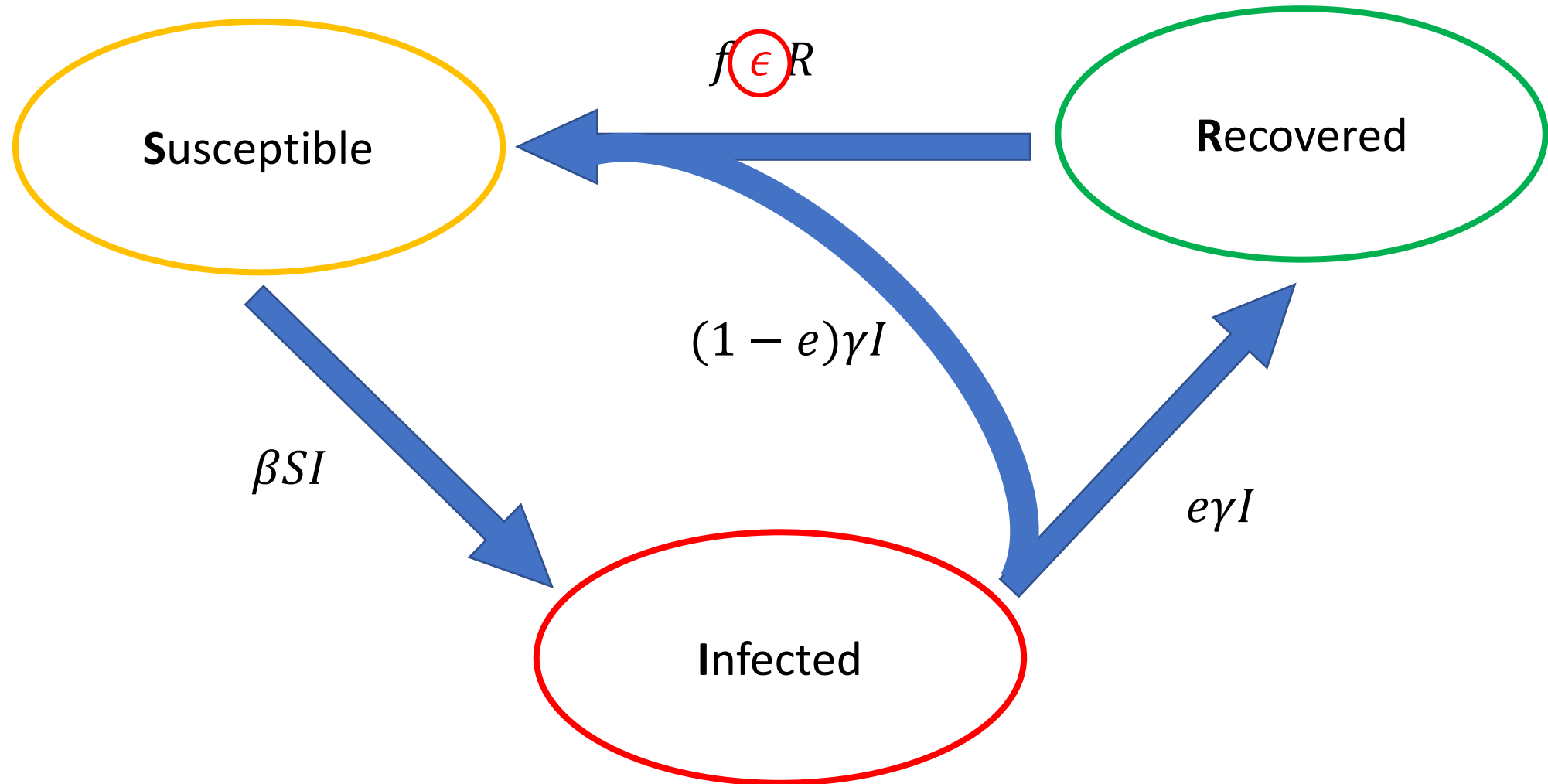
- No data / knowledge from the future, just calibration:
  - $R_0 \rightarrow$  fully vaccinated 58% +  $\sim 30\%$  which are protected by other means
  - Transmission rate  $\beta = 1.07$  (initial effective reproduction rate)
  - Damping factor  $f = 0.01$  to calibrate the effect of the central model B assumption (decay function  $\epsilon$ )
- September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 until January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022

# Model design: Refined SIR-model





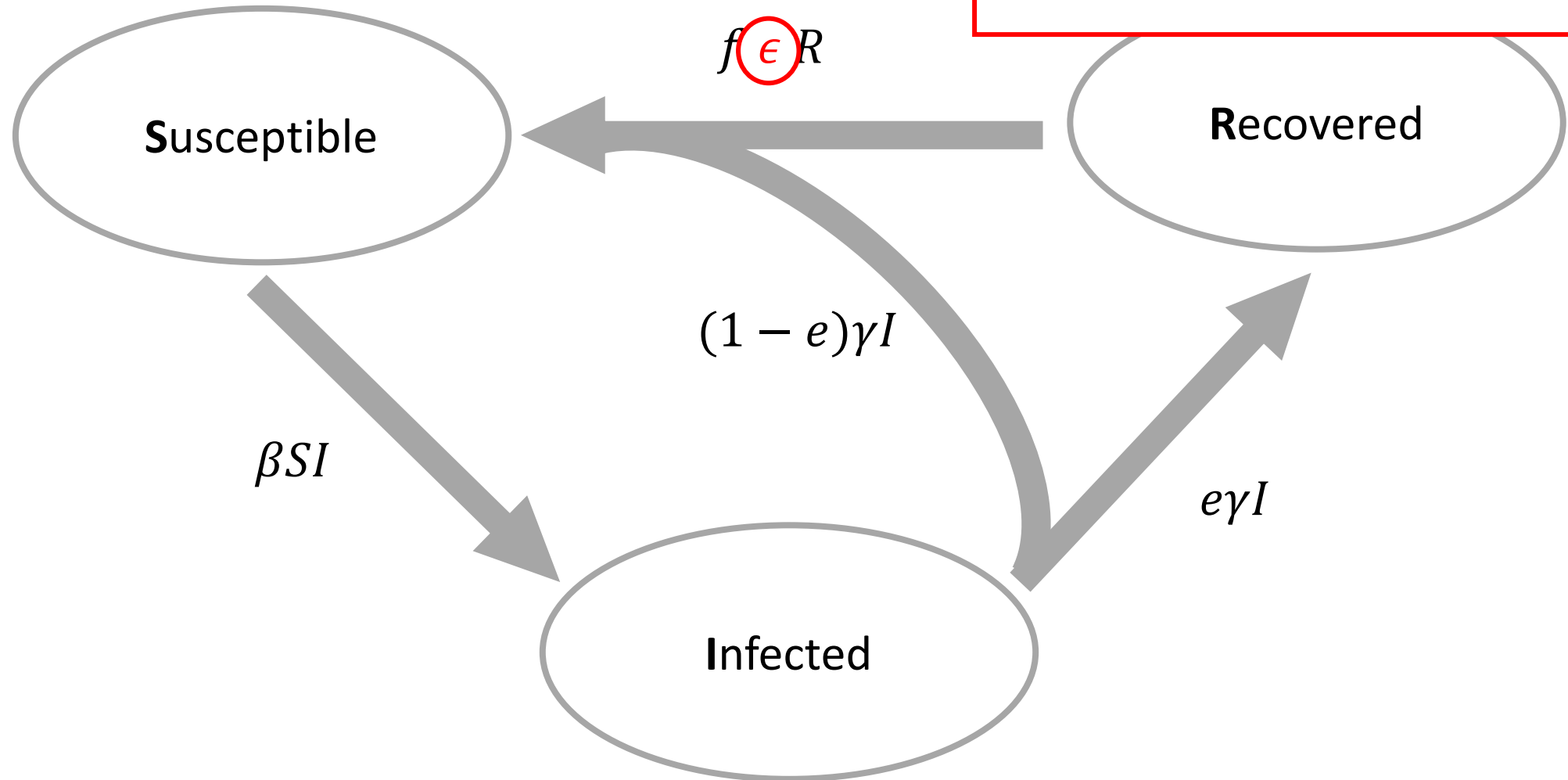
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Model A

Model B



# Model design: Equations

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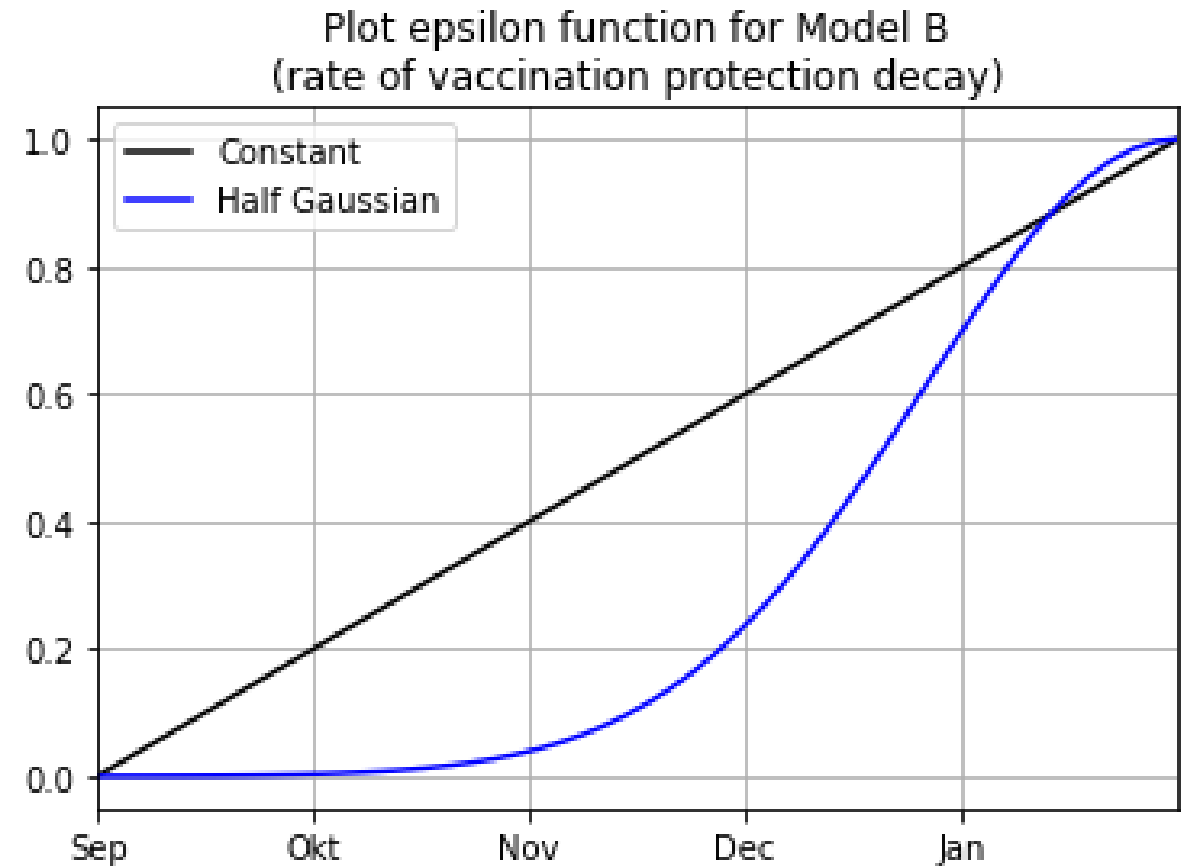
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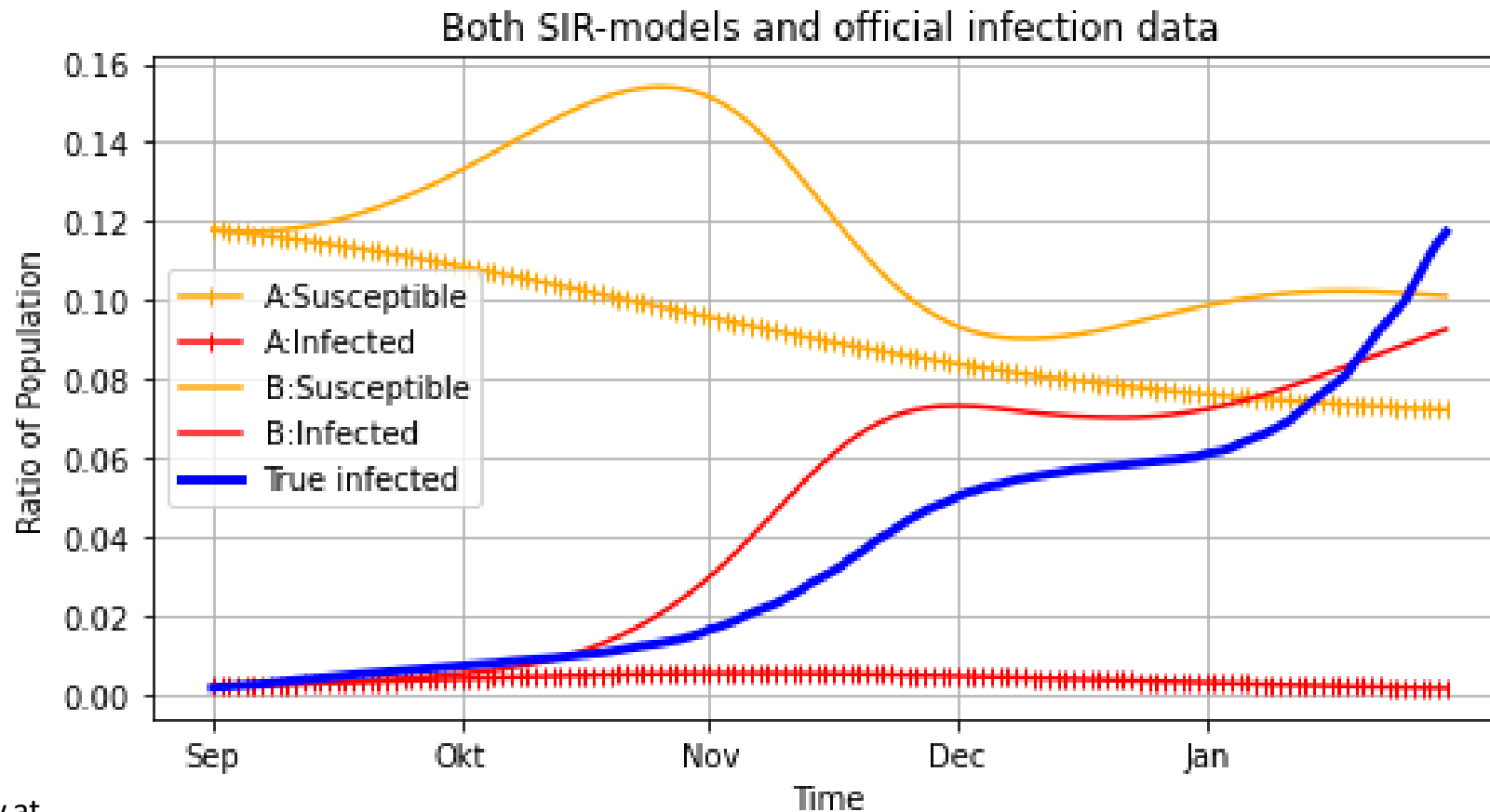
# Model design

- Two functions considered for central model assumption  $\epsilon$  of vaccination protection decay for model B
- Scaled by factor  $f = 0.01$



# Results & Discussion

Model A and best model B with constant decay function

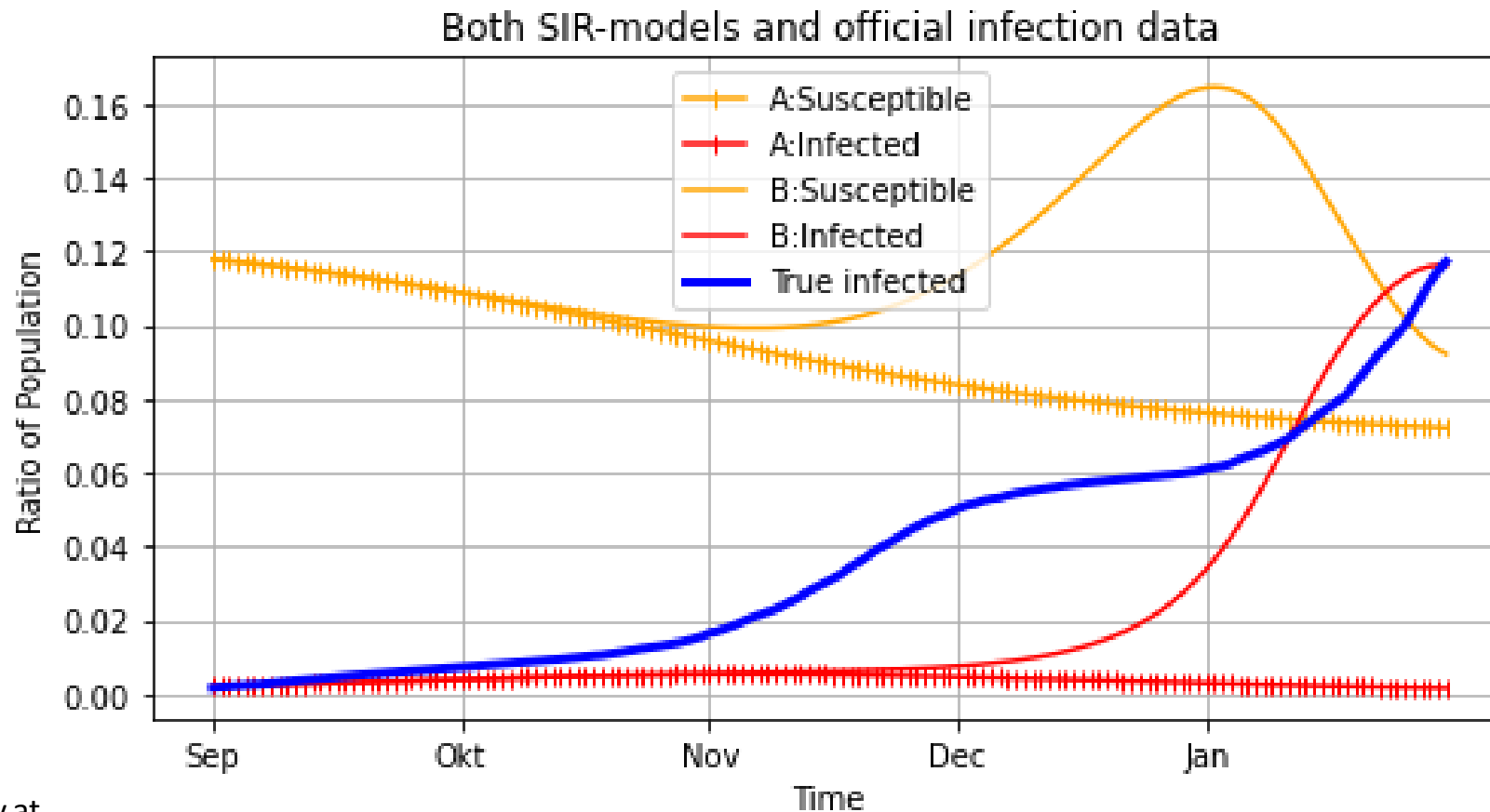


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Model A and B but with half Gaussian distribution function for decay

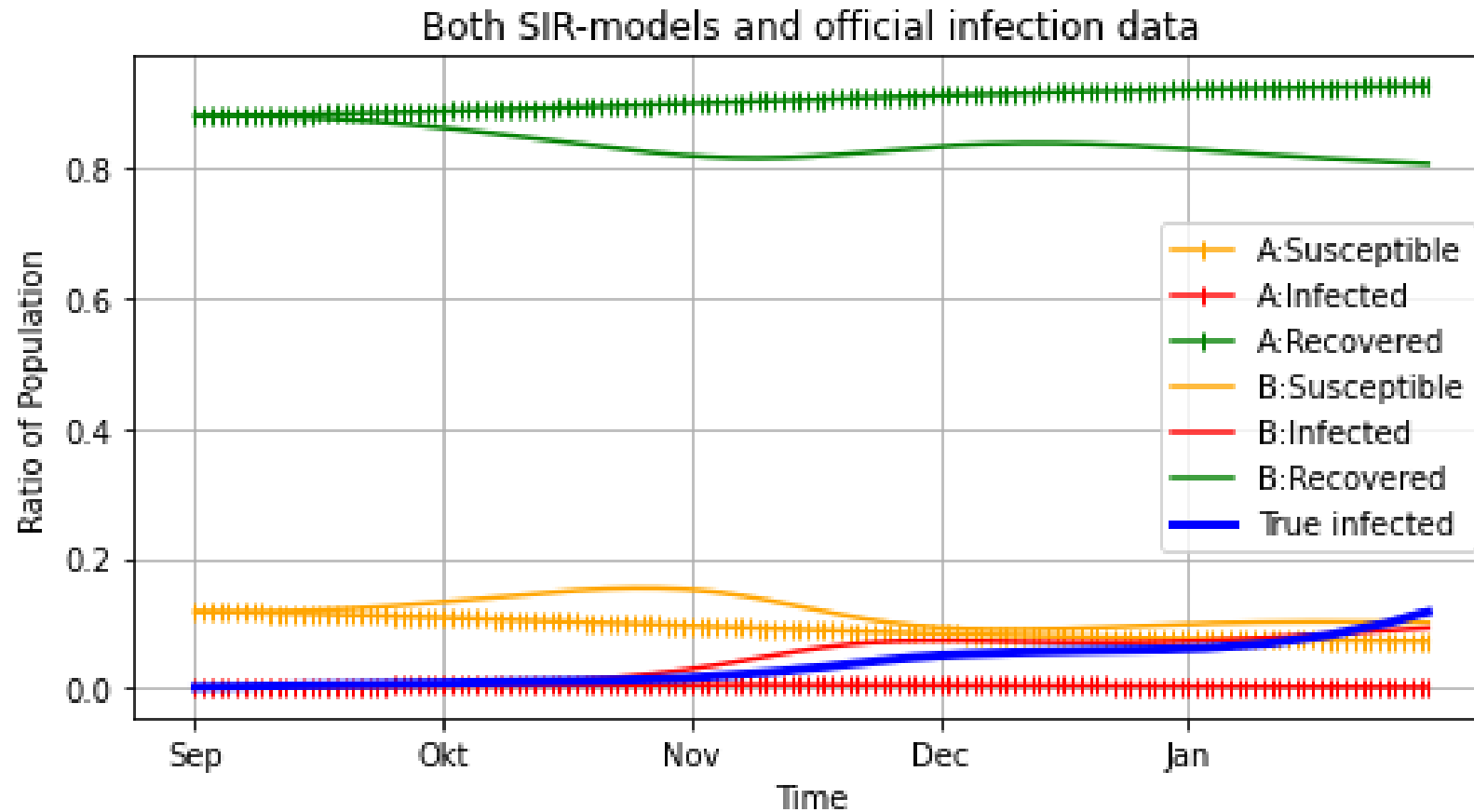


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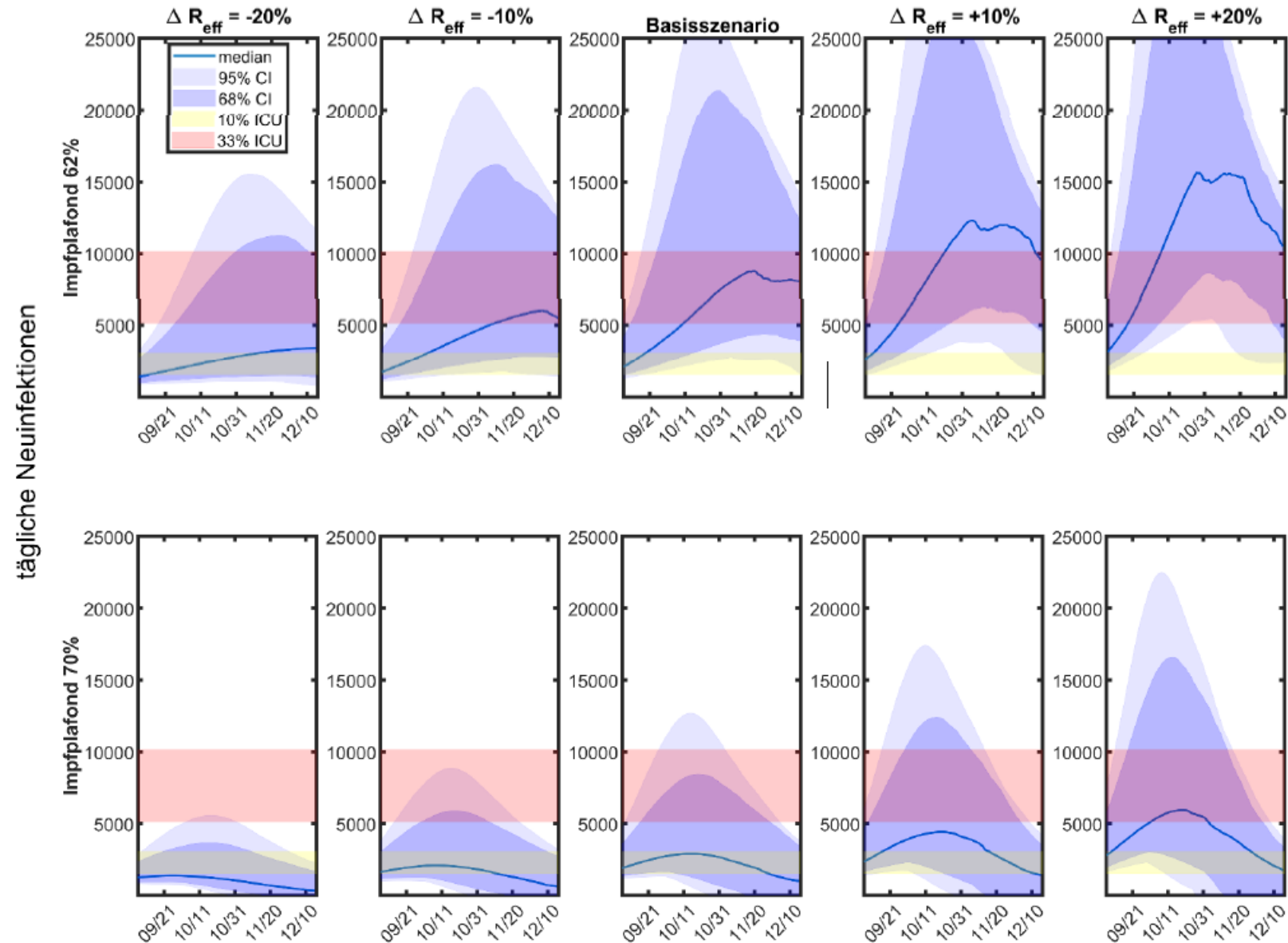
Model A and B (constant decay) and all phase lines





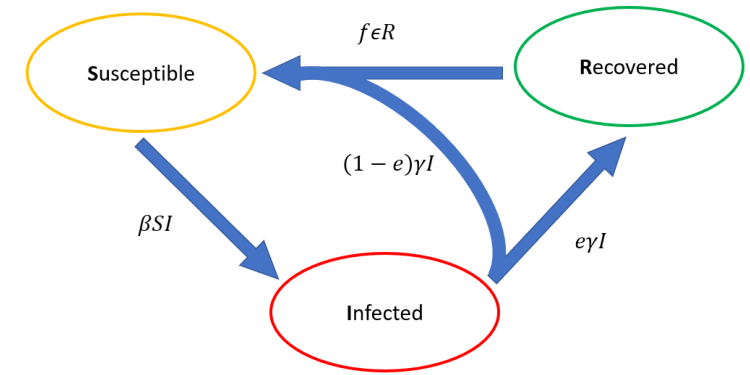
How did the model of the COVID  
Prognose Konsortium perform?

Abbildung 1: Szenarien zur Virusverbreitung und des Systemrisikos Herbst/Winter 2021



# Conclusion

- The model presented today is very simple
- Central model assumption of immunity decay has the strongest influence
- No data / knowledge from the future was used, only some calibration
- Predicts second wave, unlike the policy brief



# Outlook

- Model expansion
  - More compartments
  - New vaccinations
  - Covid-19 policies
- Note: the number of infected does not reflect on the virulence and the virus' development over 2 years (!)
  - Scaling by number of severe cases deemed reasonable

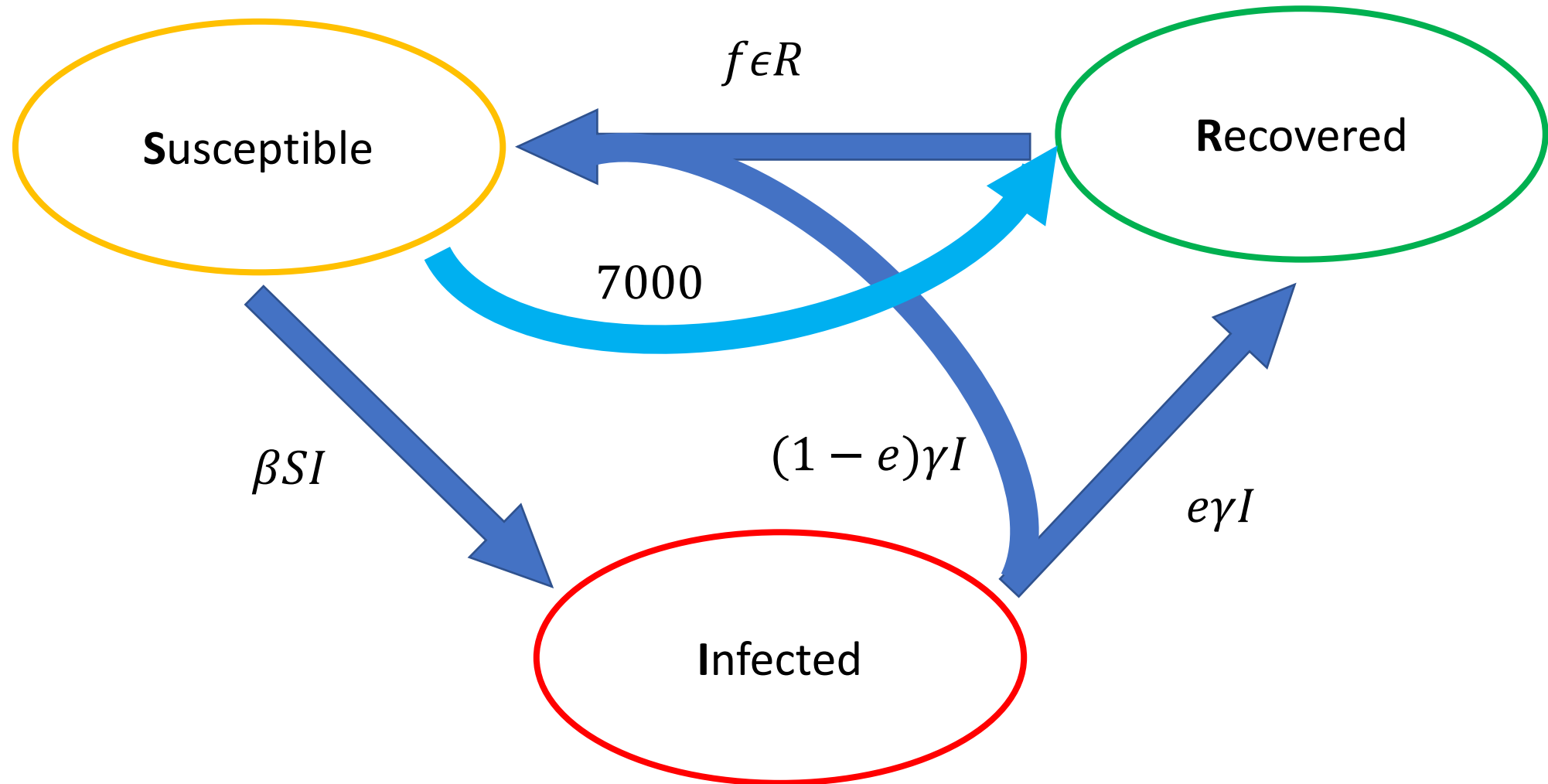
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- *I published the simulation source code on my online repository: <https://github.com/wagerc97/SIR-model>*

Thank you for your attention

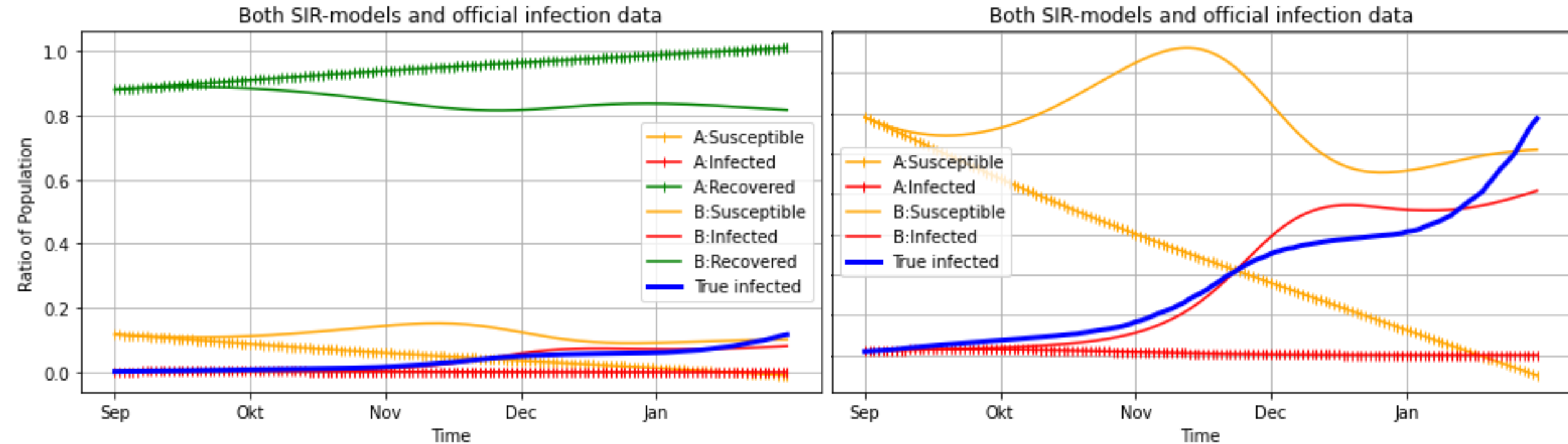
# Bonus model design: Refined SIR-model

+ constant vaccination rate



# Bonus plot 1

Naive attempt with daily new vaccinations and constant epsilon



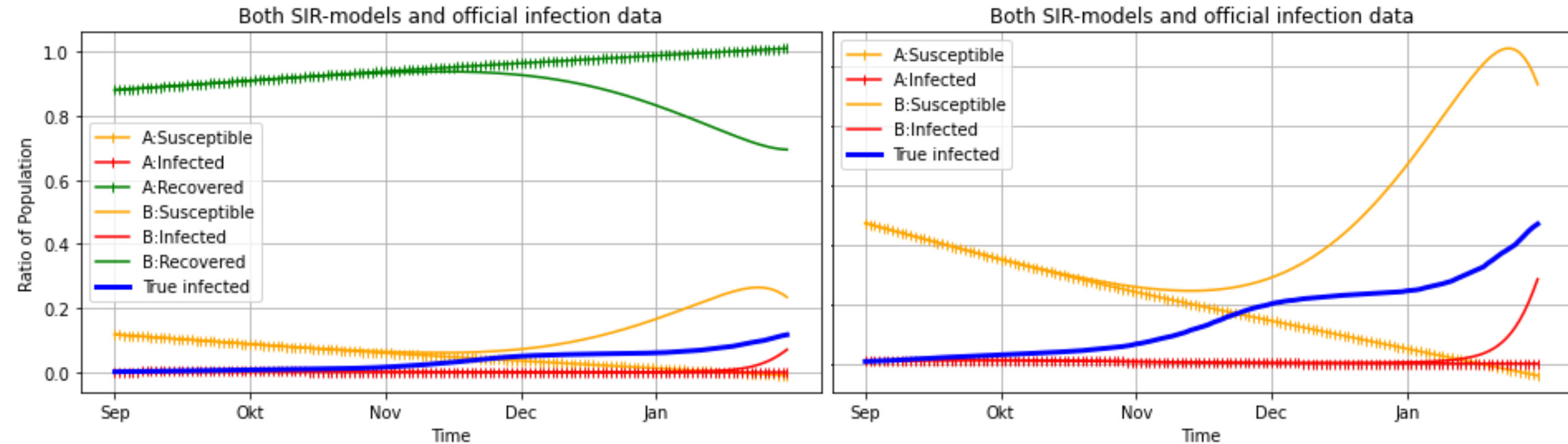
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Note: Susceptibles turn negative if immunity does not decay over time!



# Bonus plot 2

Naive attempt with daily new vaccinations and half\_Gauss\_epsilon



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