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

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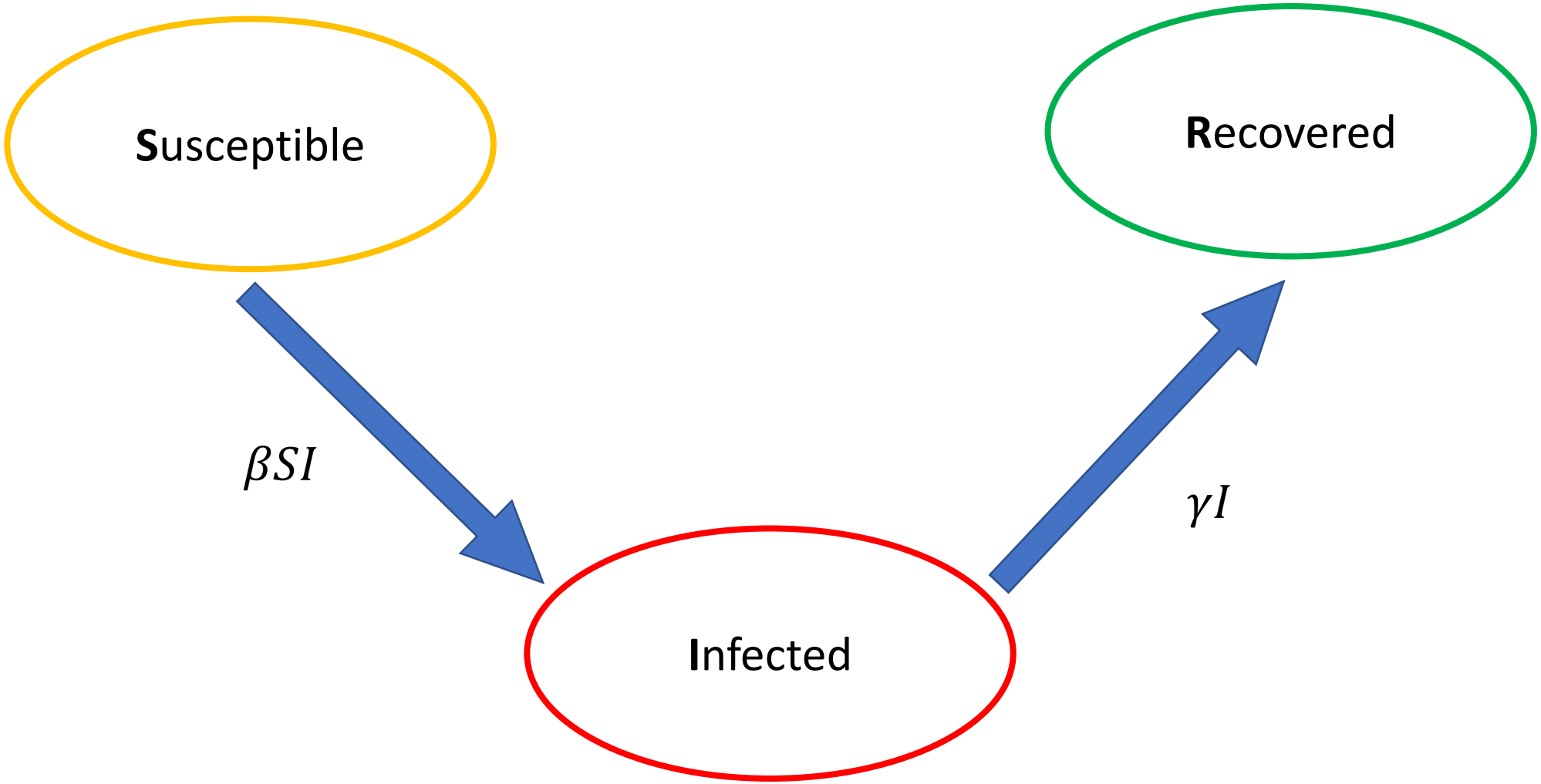
Introduction & Motivation 1

- 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



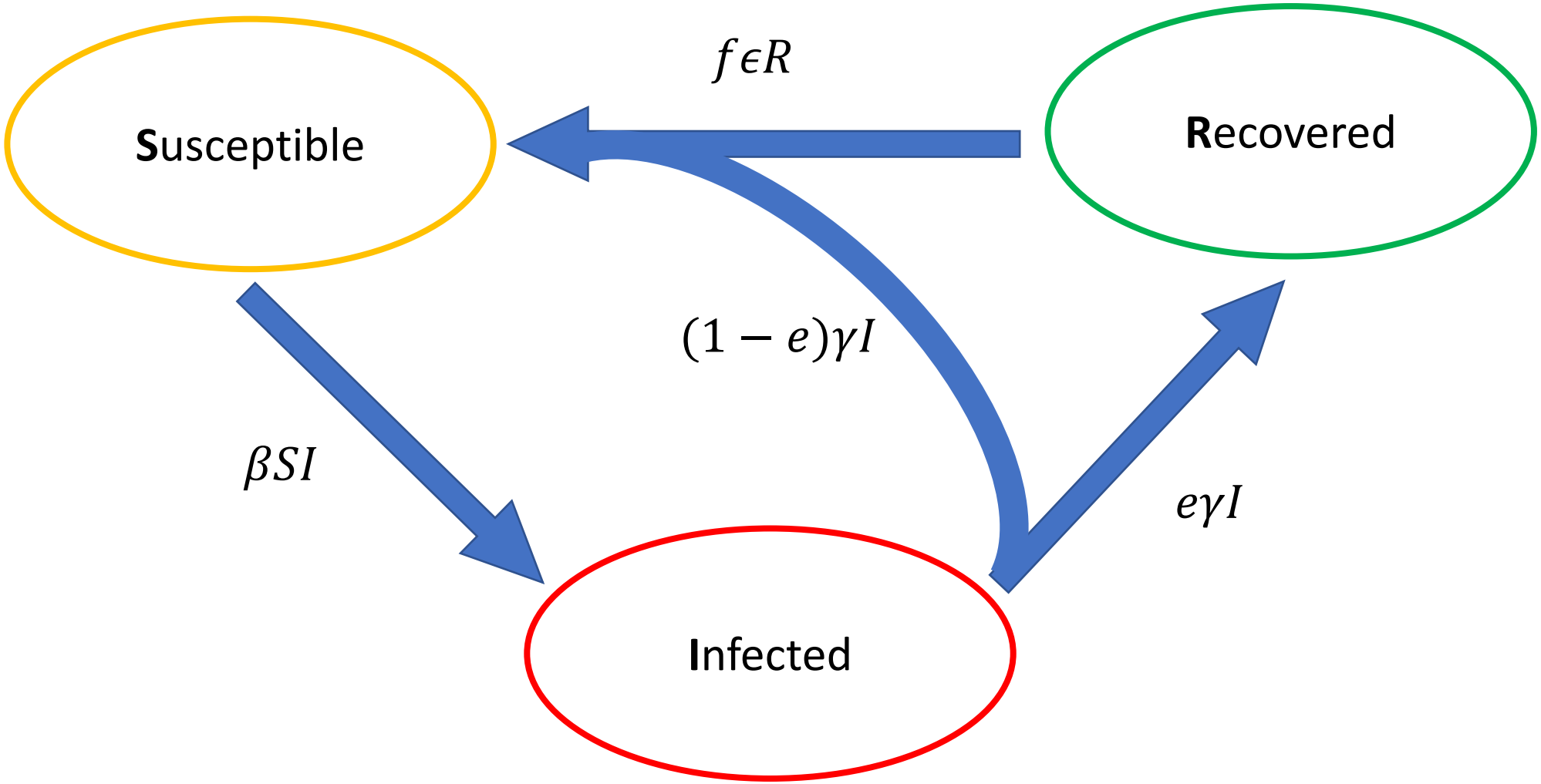
Model design: Assumptions 1

- 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 → fully vaccinated 58% + $\sim 30\%$ which are protected by other means
  - Transmission rate $\beta = 1.07$ (initial effective reproduction rate)
  - Daming factor $f = 0.01$ to calibrate the effect of the central model B assumption (decay function ϵ)
- September 1st, 2021 until January 31st, 2022

Model design: Refined SIR-model



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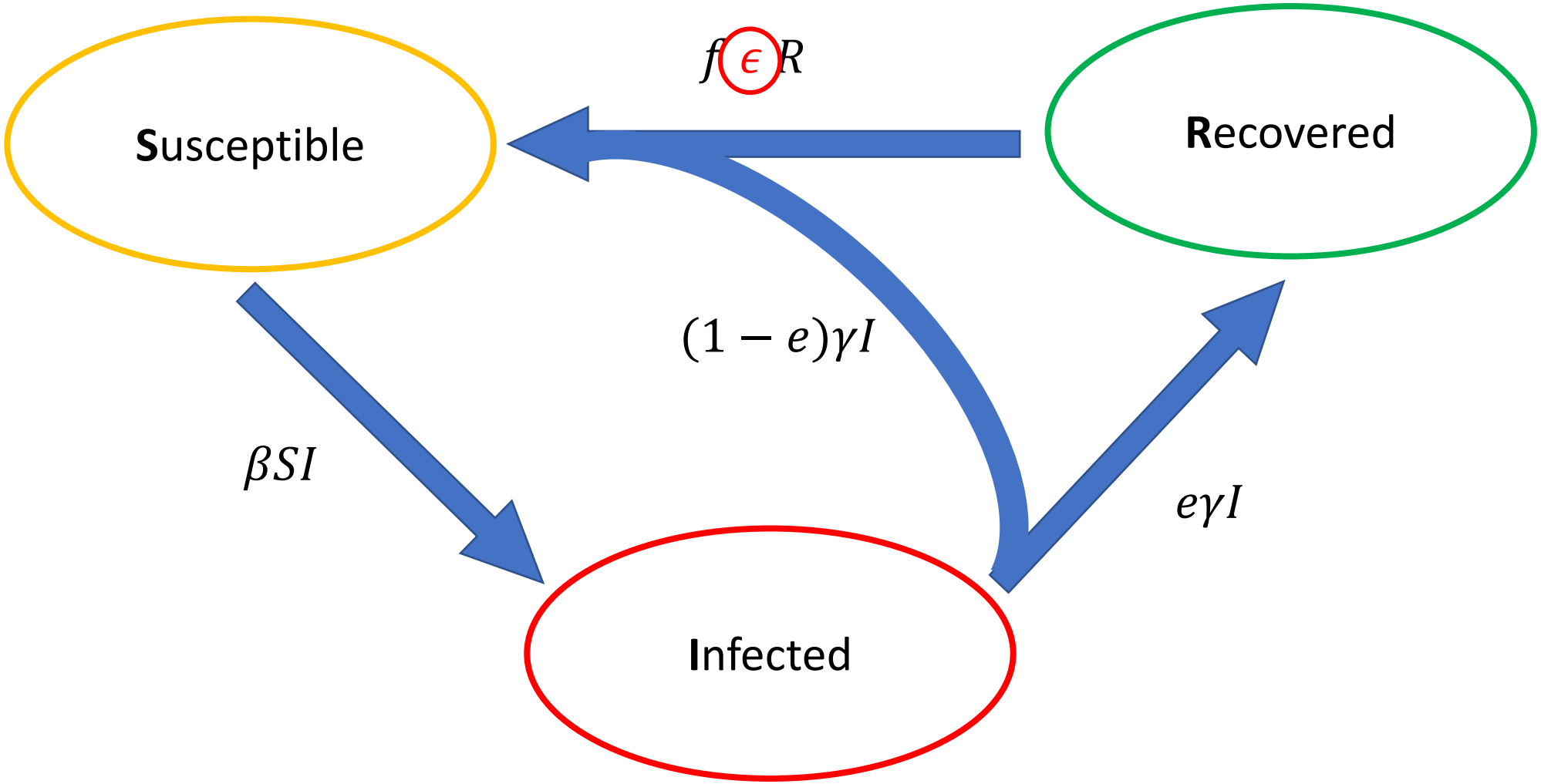

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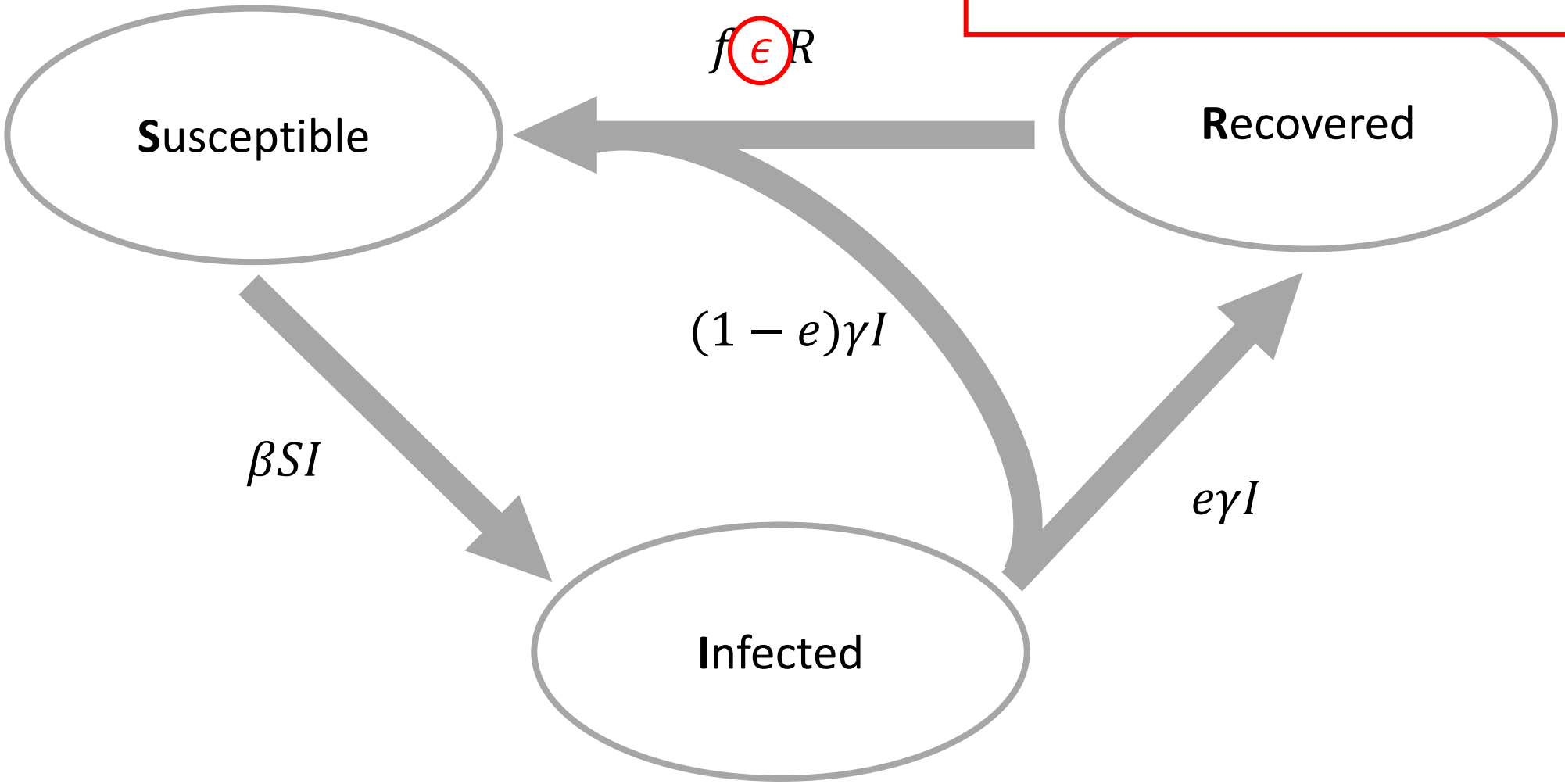
Model A

Model B



Model design: Equations

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = -\beta SI + f\epsilon_{A,B}R + (1-e)\gamma I \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{dI}{dt} = \beta SI - \gamma I \quad (2)$$

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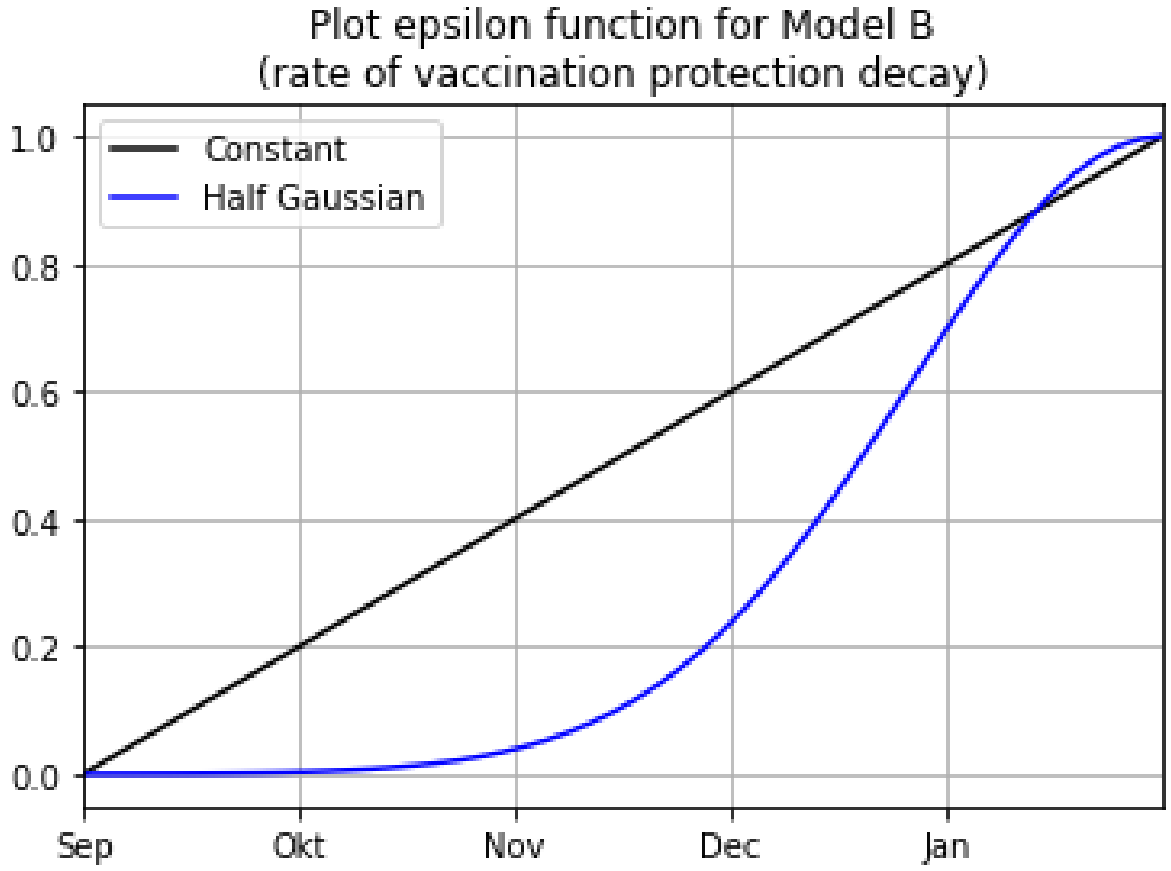
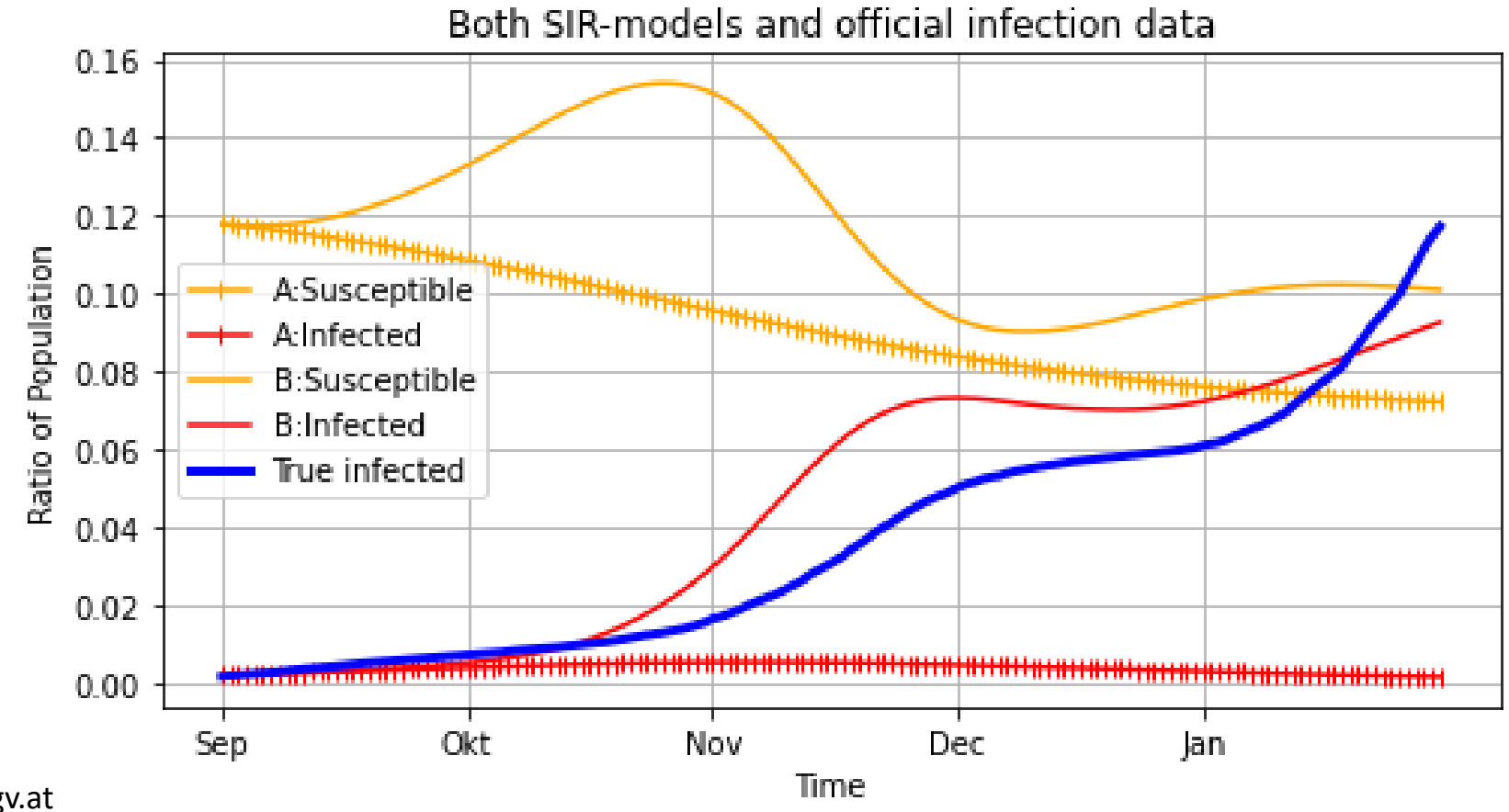
Model design

- Two functions considered for central model assumption ϵ 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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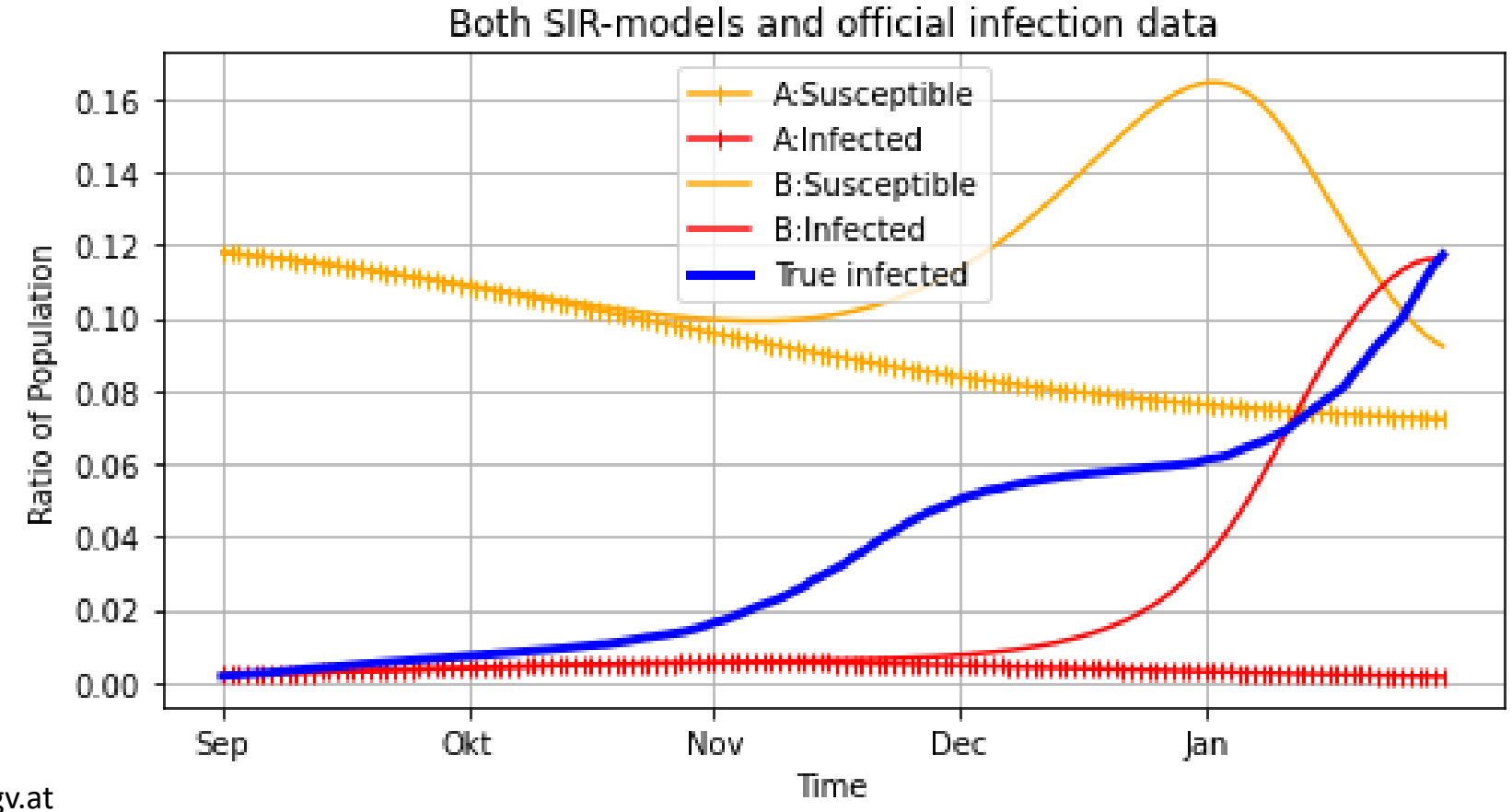
Model A and B but with half Gaussian distribution function for decay



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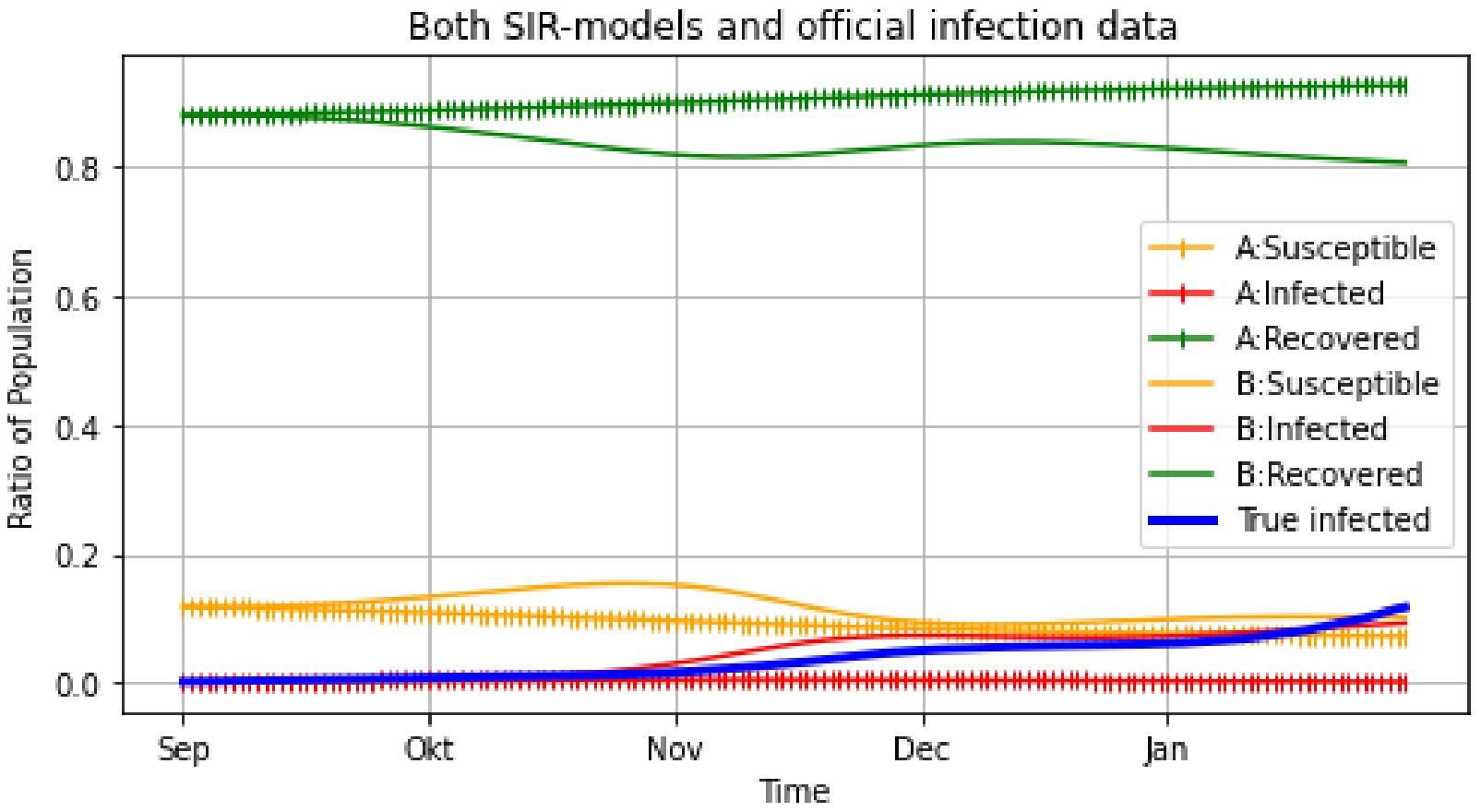
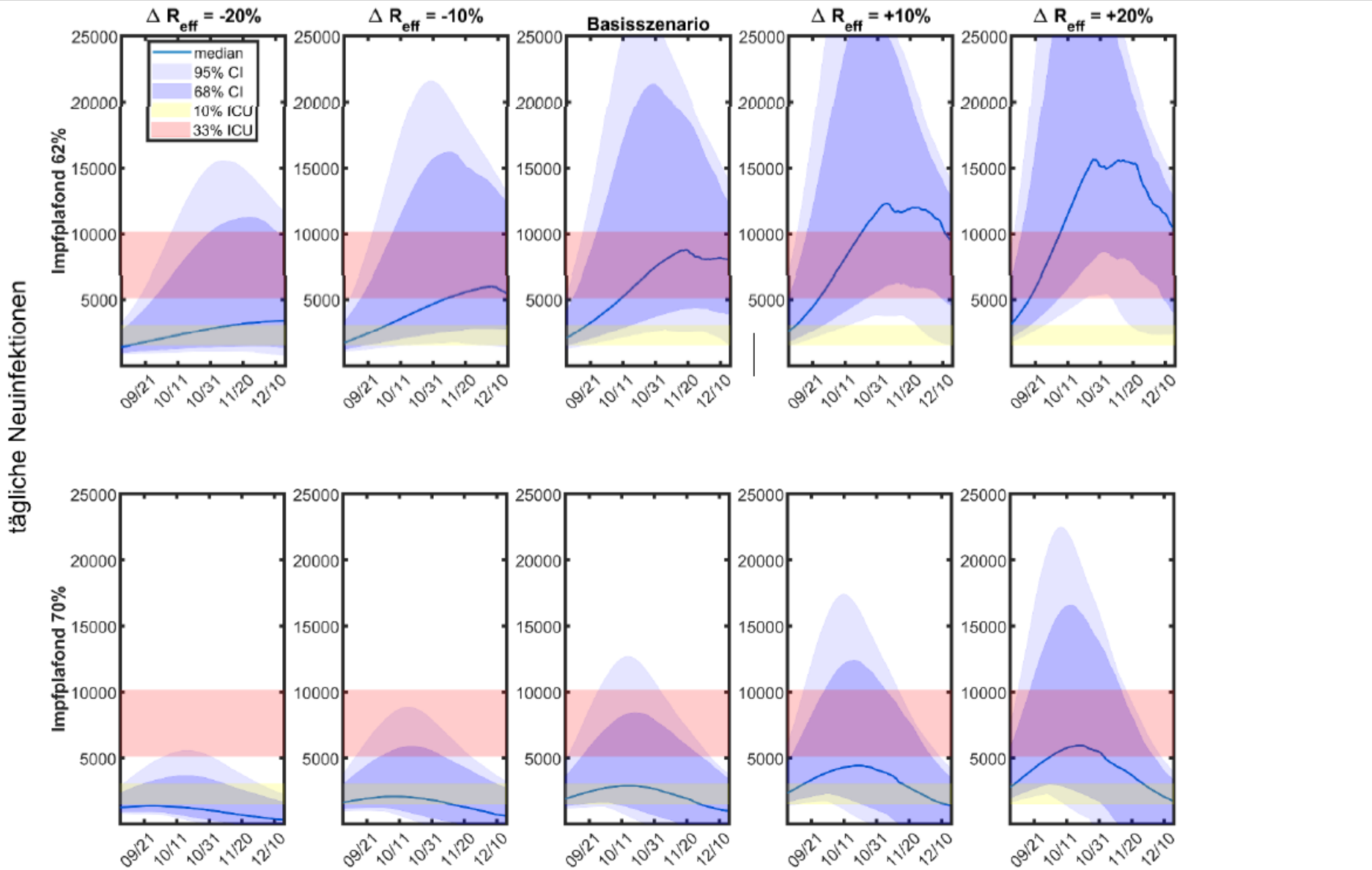
Results & Discussion

Model A and B and all phase lines



How did the model of the COVID Prognose Konsortium perform?

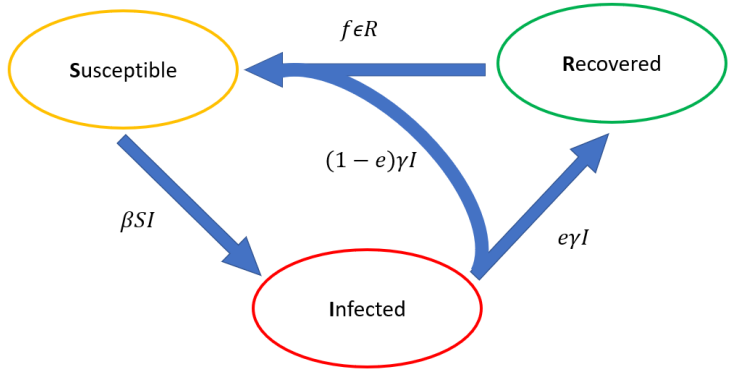
Abbildung 1: Szenarien zur Virusverbreitung und des Systemrisikos Herbst/Winter 2021



Quelle: COVID Prognose Konsortium

Source: Policy_Brief_update_20210831.pdf

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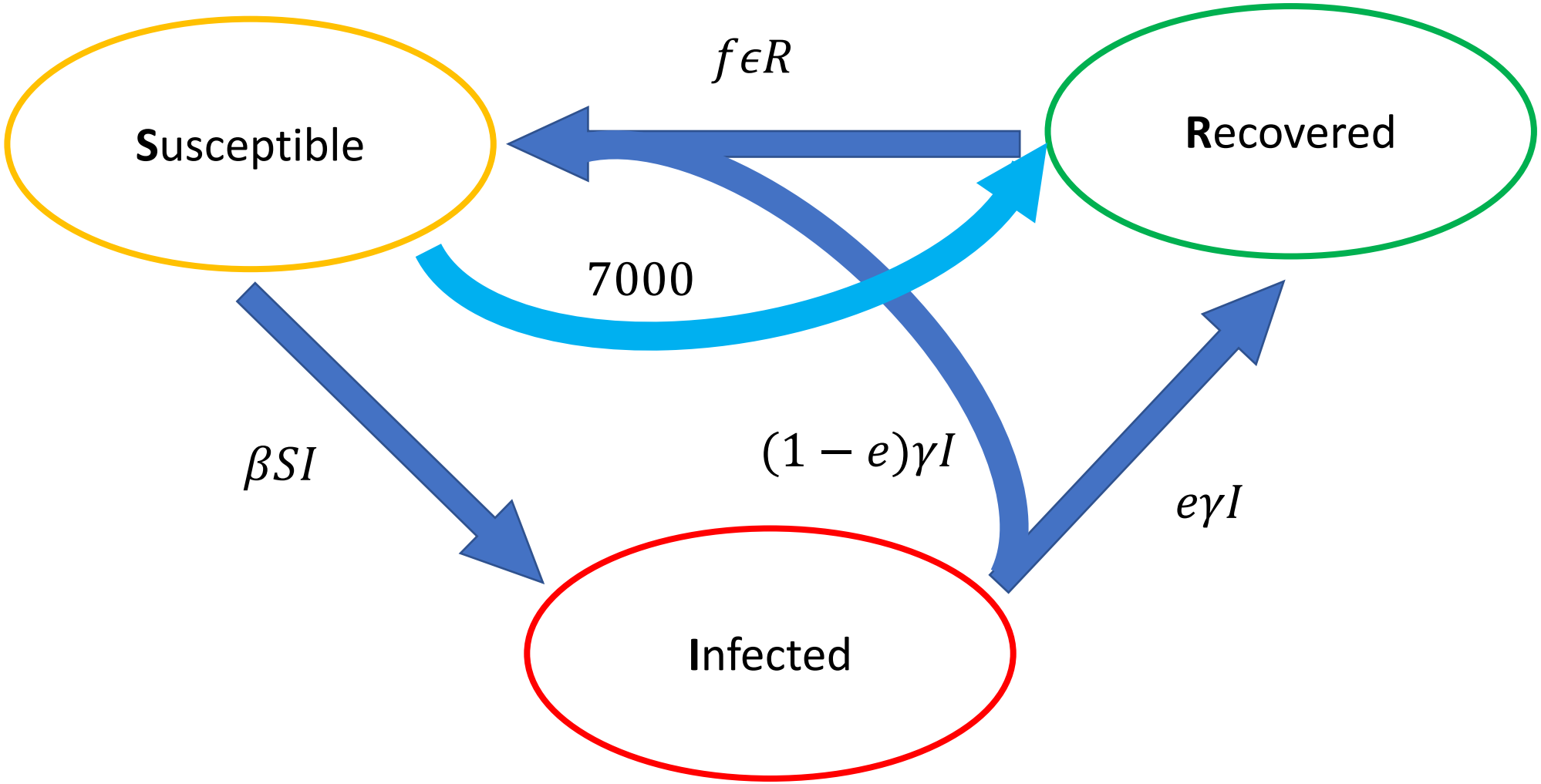
- *I published the simulation source code on my online repository: https://github.com/wagerc97/SIR-model*

Thank you for your attention

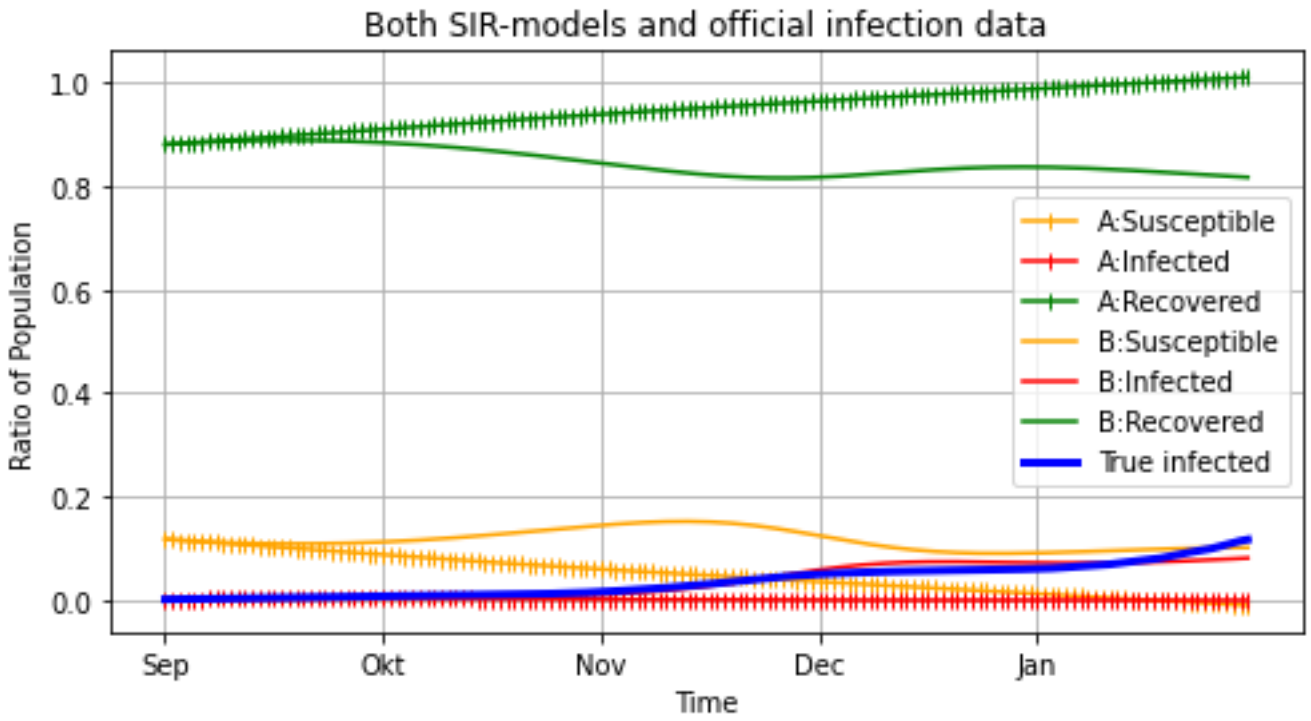
Bonus model design: Refined SIR-model

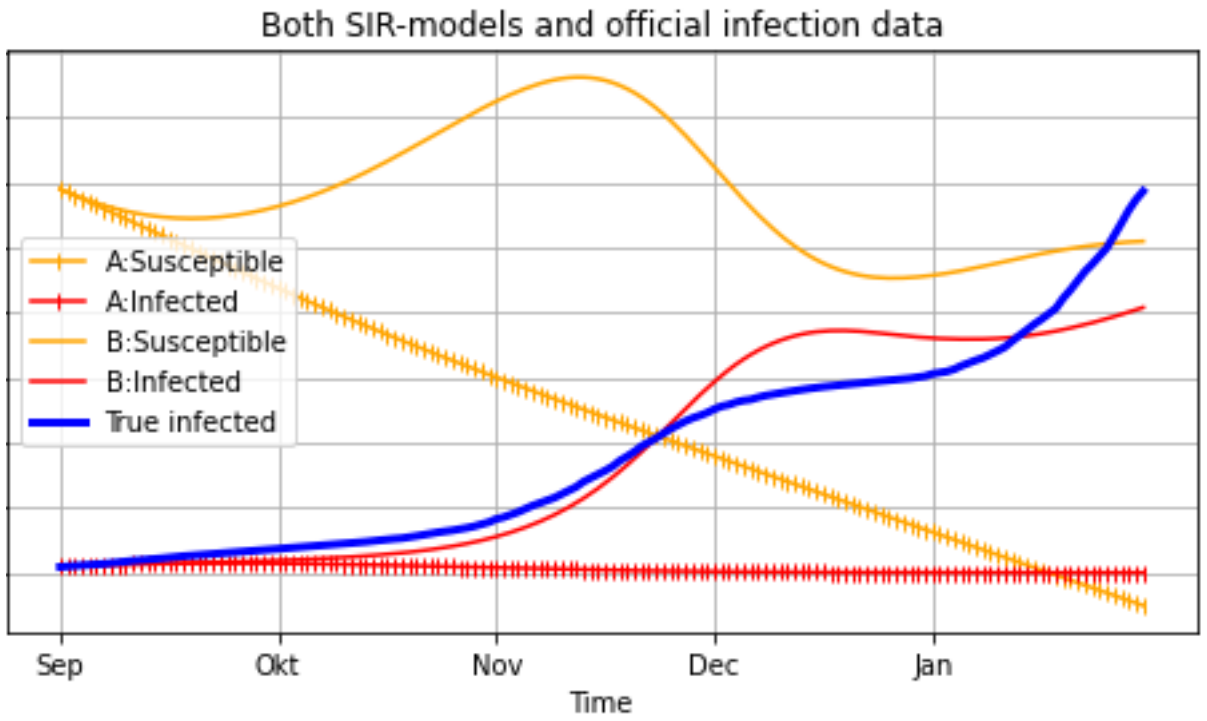
+ constant vaccination rate



Bonus plot 1

Naive attempt with daily new vaccinations and constant epsilon





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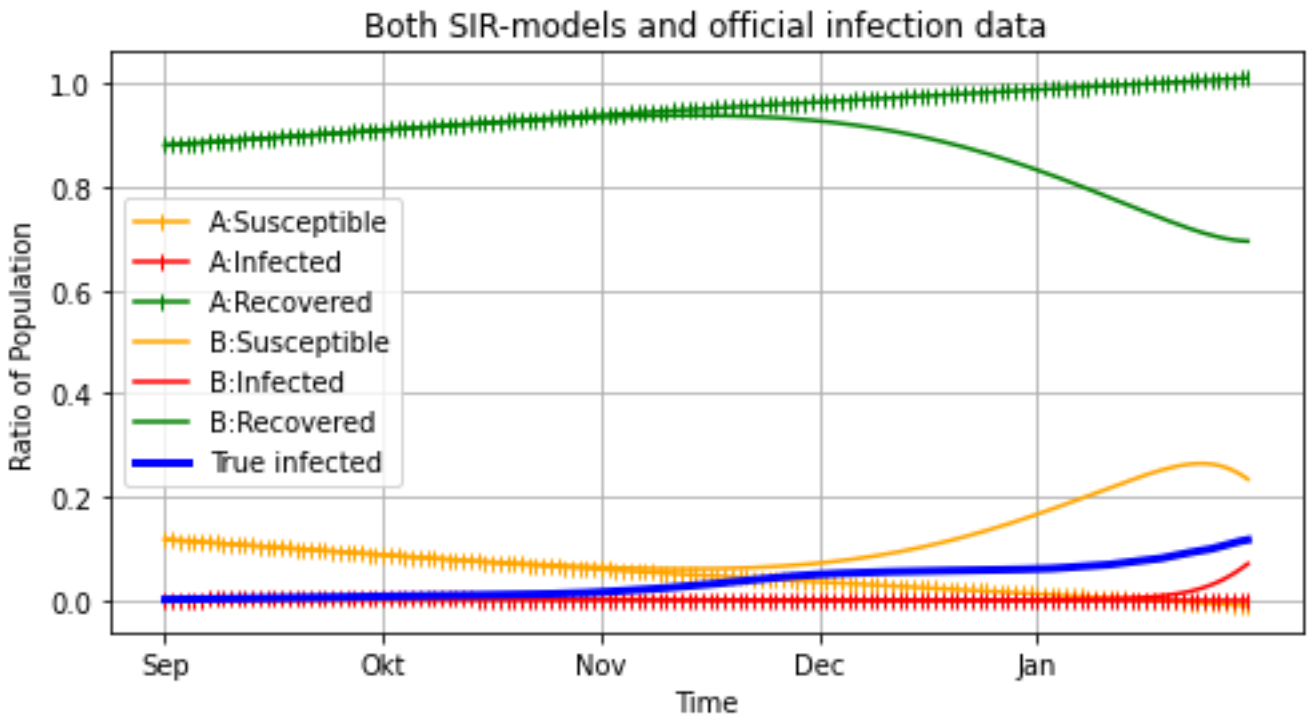
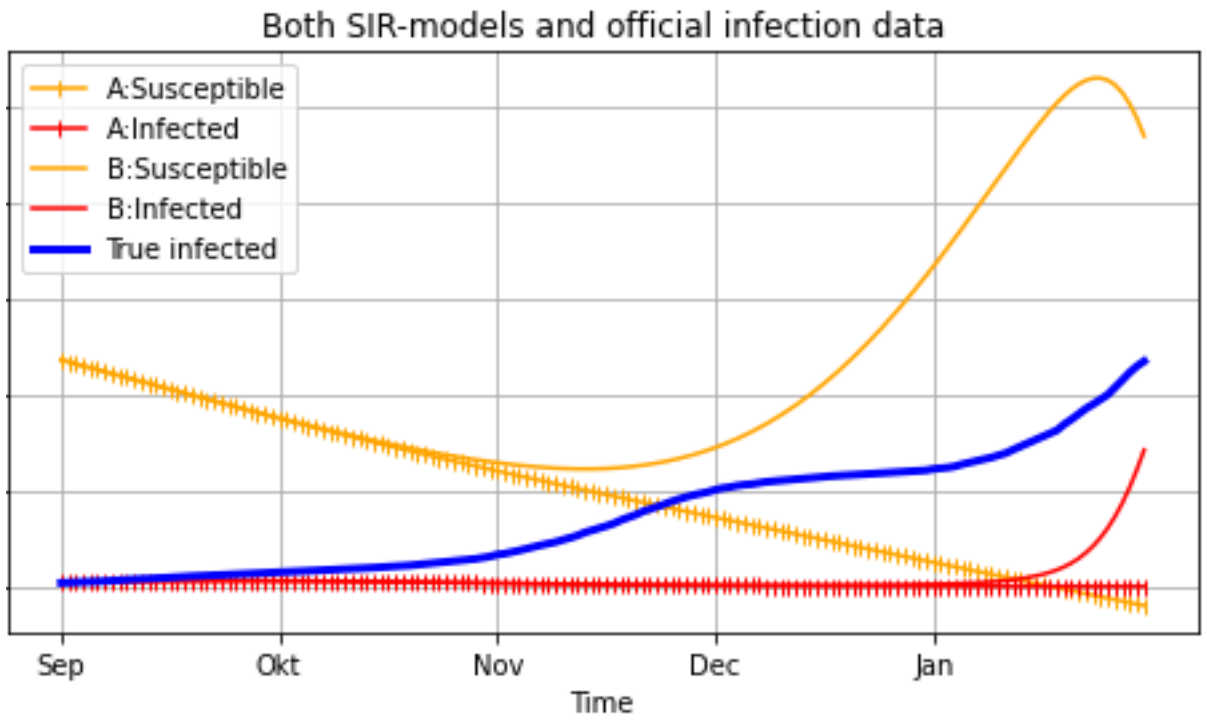
Note: Susceptibles turn negative if immunity does not decay over time!

Bonus plot 2

Naive attempt with daily new vaccinations and half_Gauss_epsilon





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