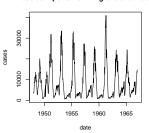
# Dynamic modeling

Connects scales

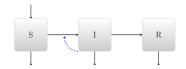


#### Measles reports from England and Wales



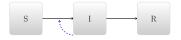
#### Box models

Divide people into categories:



 $\blacktriangleright \ \, \text{Susceptible} \to \text{Infectious} \to \text{Recovered}$ 

#### What determines transition rates?



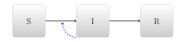
- People get better independently
- People get infected by infectious people

# Conceptual modeling





# Conceptual modeling



- What is the final result?
- When does disease increase, decrease?

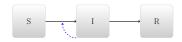
### Implementation



- The conceptually simplest way to implement this conceptual model concretely is Ordinary Differential Equations (ODEs)
  - Other options may be more realistic
  - Or simpler in practice
- Requires assumption about recovery and transmission



### Recovery



- Infectious people recover at per capita rate \( \gamma \)
  - Total recovery rate is γI
  - Mean time infectious is  $D = 1/\gamma$

#### **Transmission**



- Susceptible people get infected by:
  - Going around and contacting people (rate c)
  - Some of these people are infectious (proportion I/N)
  - Some of these contacts are effective (proportion p)
- ▶ Per capita rate of becoming infected is cpI/N. We write  $\beta I/N$  ( $\beta = cp$ )
- Population-level transmission rate is βSI/N

# Another perspective on transmission



- Infectious people infect others by:
  - Going around and contacting people (rate c)
  - ▶ Some of these people are susceptible (proportion S/N)
  - Some of these contacts are effective (proportion p)
- ▶ Per capita rate of infecting others is cpS/N. We write  $\beta S/N$
- Population-level transmission rate is βSI/N

# **ODE** implementation



$$\begin{array}{rcl} \frac{dS}{dt} & = & -\beta \frac{SI}{N} \\ \frac{dI}{dt} & = & \beta \frac{SI}{N} - \gamma I \\ \frac{dR}{dt} & = & \gamma I \end{array}$$

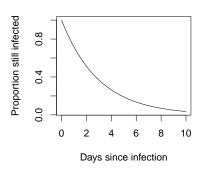
# Spreadsheet example

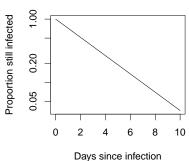
# **ODE** assumptions



- Lots and lots of people
- Perfectly mixed

### **ODE** assumptions





- Waiting times are exponentially distributed
- Rarely realistic

### Scripts vs. spreadsheets

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Susceptibles | Infectious | Remover | Total | People | Pe
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### More about transmission



- $\triangleright$   $\beta = pc$
- Sometimes this decomposition is clear
- ▶ But usually it's not

# Population sizes

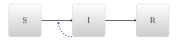


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$$\frac{dR}{dt} = \gamma I$$

# Population sizes

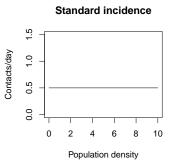


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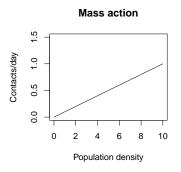
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#### Standard incidence



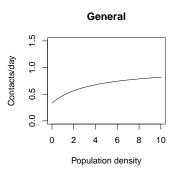
- $\beta(N) = \beta_0$   $T = \frac{\beta_0 SI}{N}$
- Also known as frequency-dependent transmission

#### Mass action



- $\beta(N) = \beta_1 N$
- $ightharpoonup \mathcal{T} = \beta_1 SI$
- Also known as density-dependent transmission

#### Other

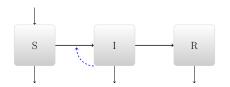


- May not go to zero when N does
- May not go to ∞ when N does

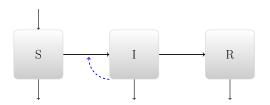
# Digression – units

- $\mathcal{T} = \beta SI/N$  : [ppl/time]
- $\triangleright \beta : [1/time]$ 
  - $\beta/\gamma = \beta D : [1]$
  - Standard incidence,  $\beta_0$ : [1/time]
  - ▶ Mass-action incidence,  $\beta_0$  : [1/time]

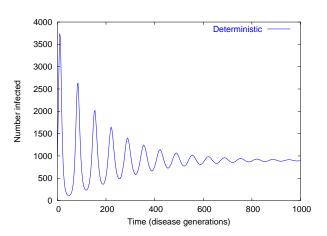
# Closing the circle



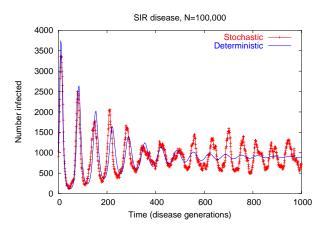
### Births and deaths



# Tendency to oscillate



# With individuality



### Summary

- Dynamics are an esssential tool to link scales
- Very simple models can provide useful insights
- More complex models can provide more detail, but also require more assumptions, and more choices

# Conclusions from simple models

- Threshold behaviour
- Tendency to oscillate