

Heterogeneity, contact patterns and modeling options

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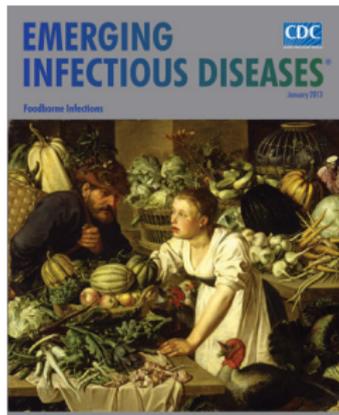
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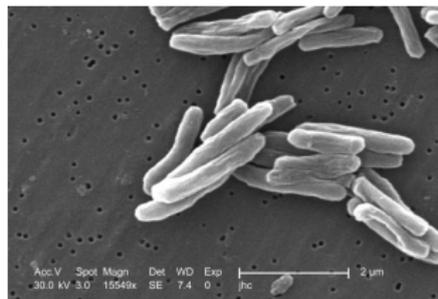
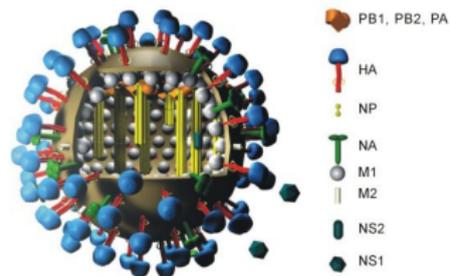
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The resilience of infectious disease

1967: It's time to close the book on infectious diseases



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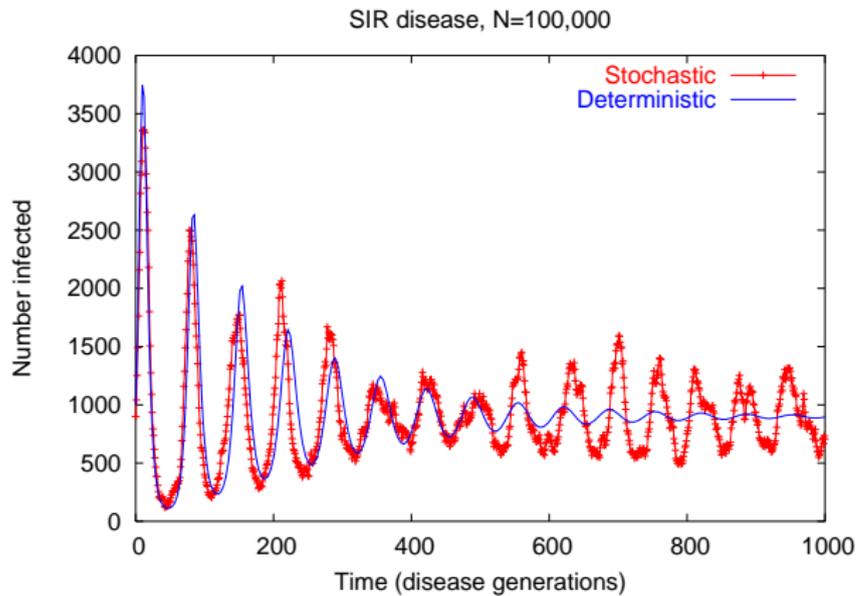
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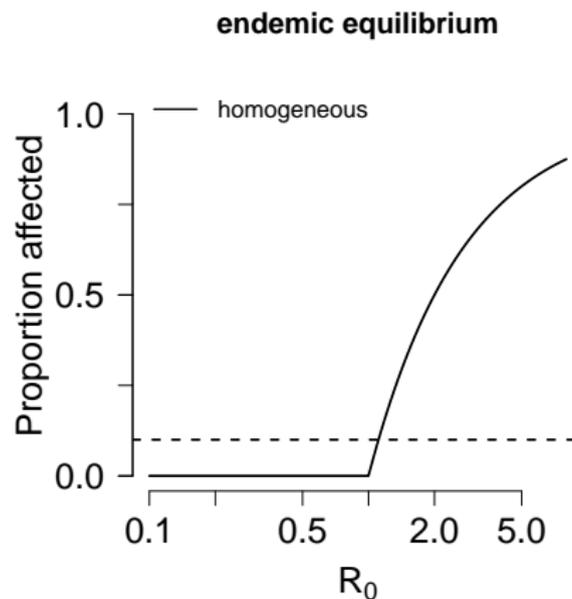
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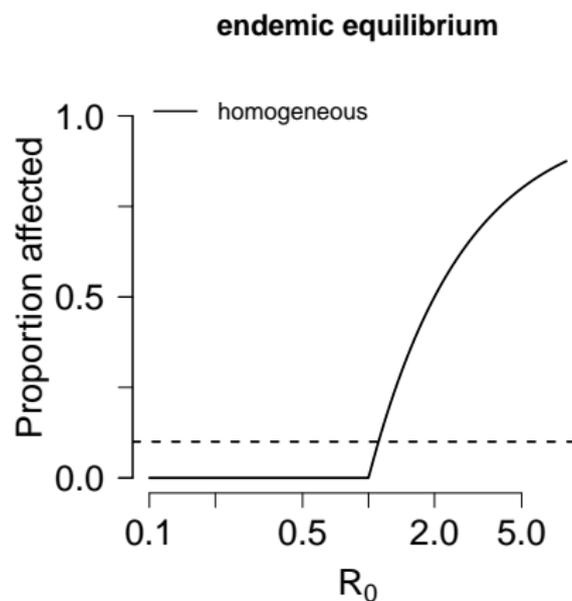
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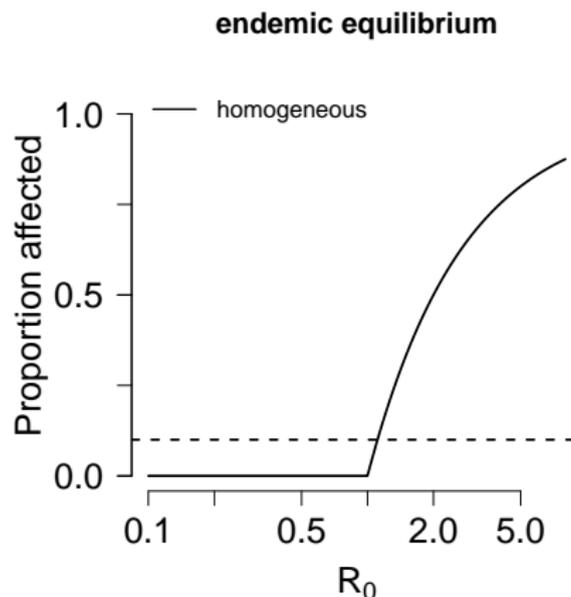


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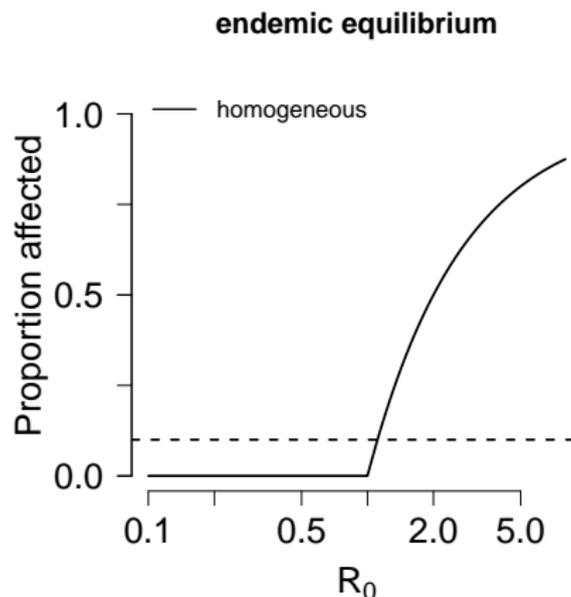
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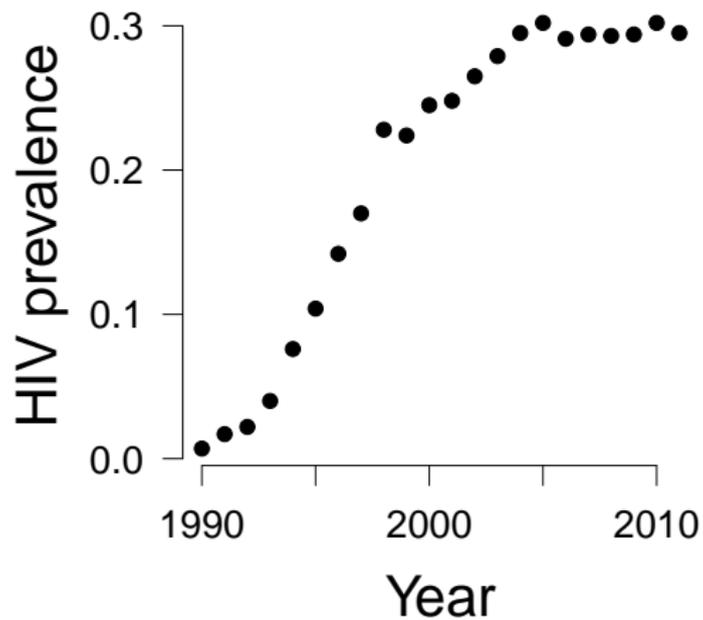
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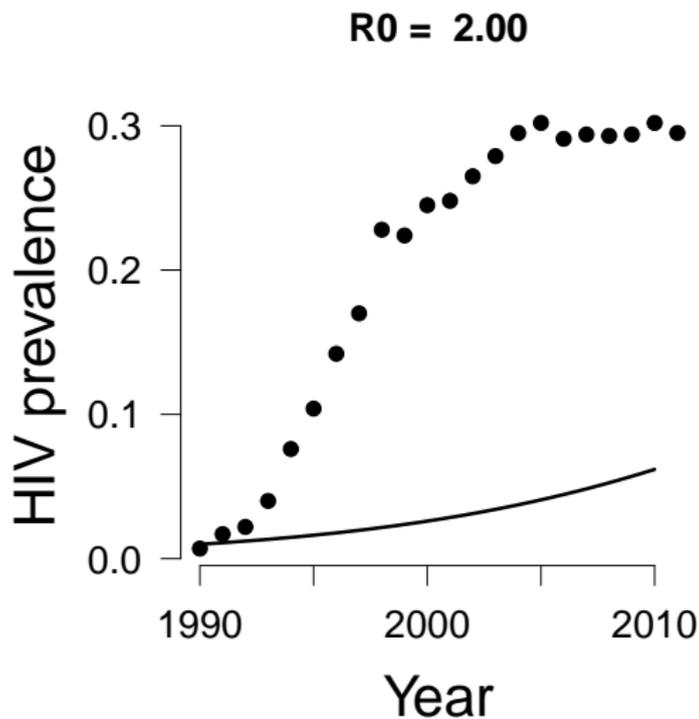
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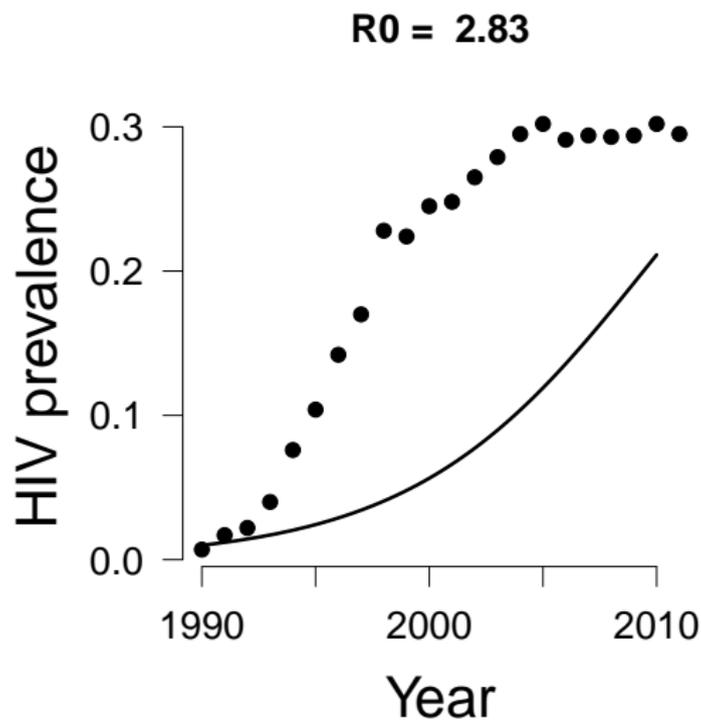
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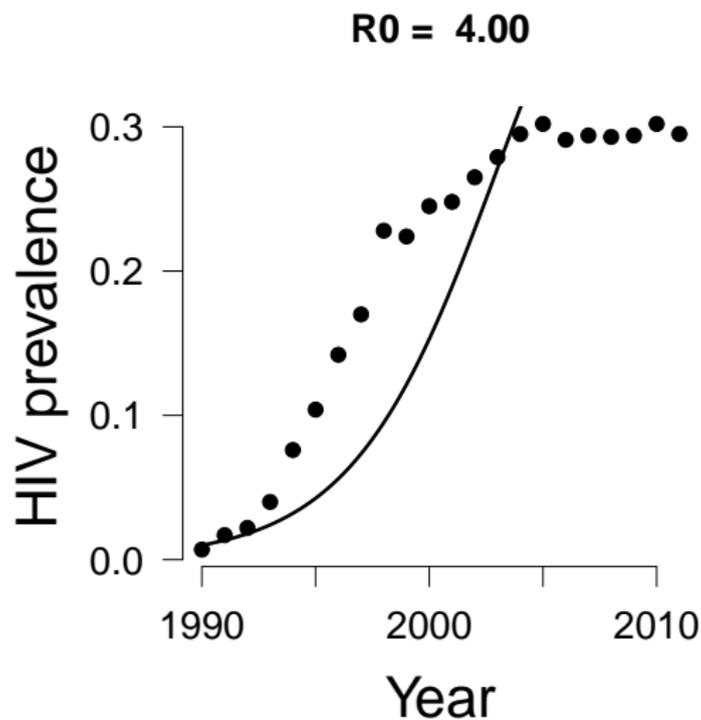
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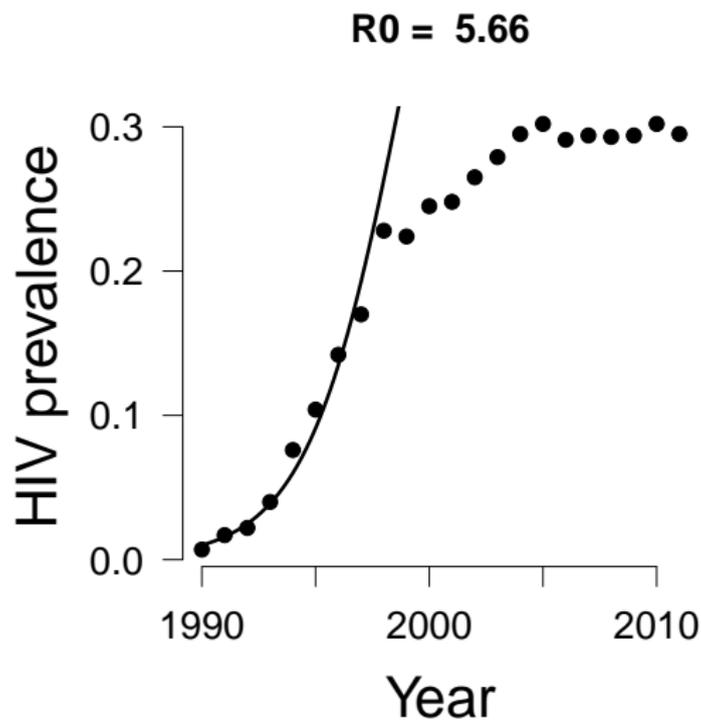
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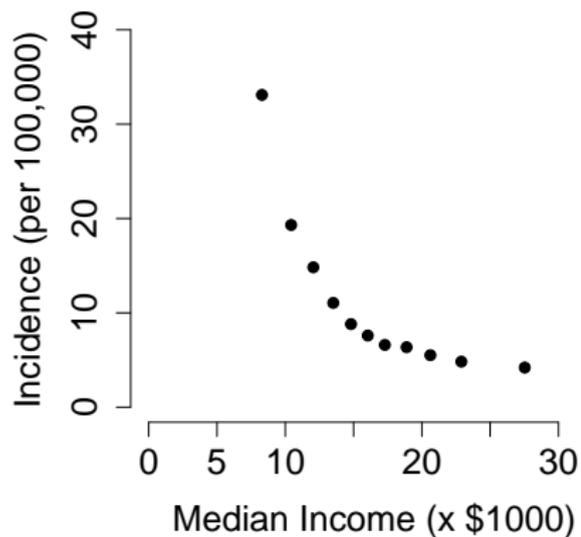
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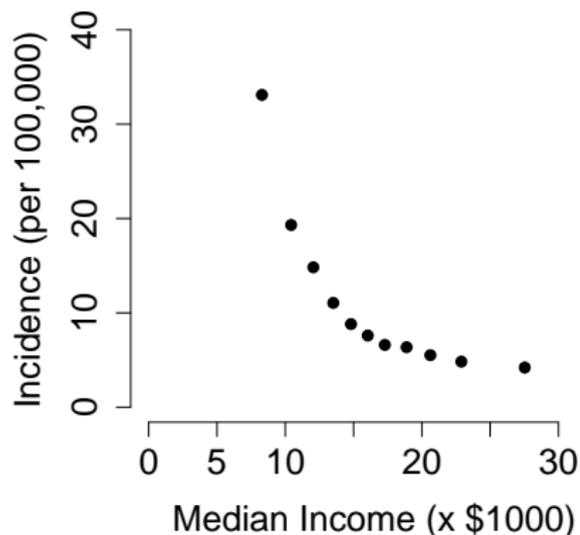
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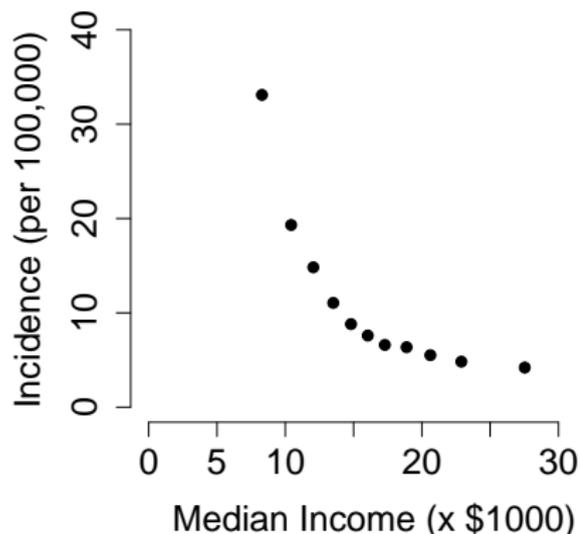
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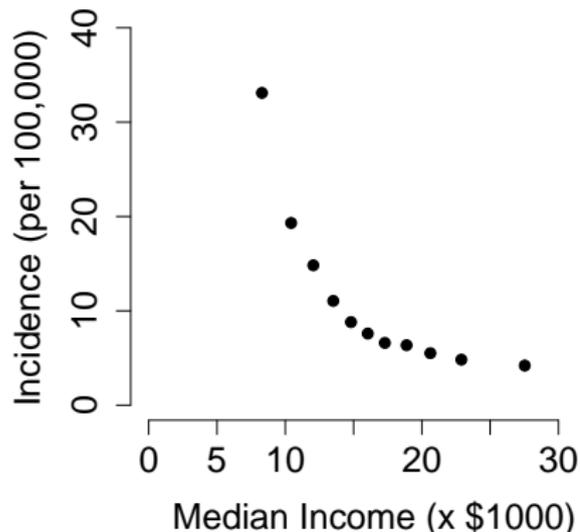
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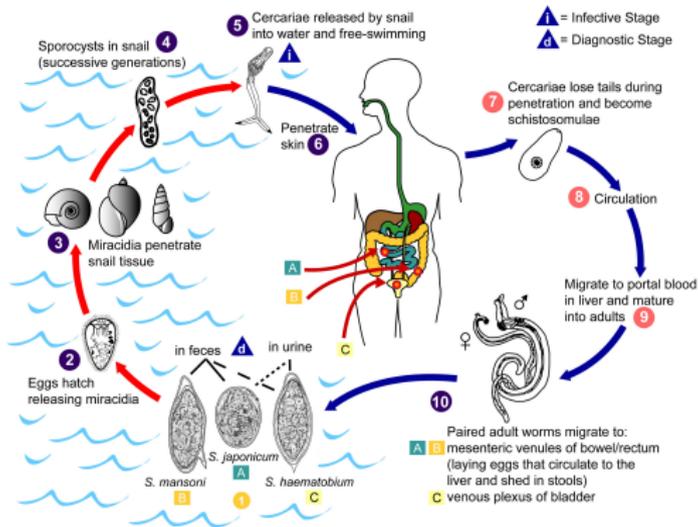
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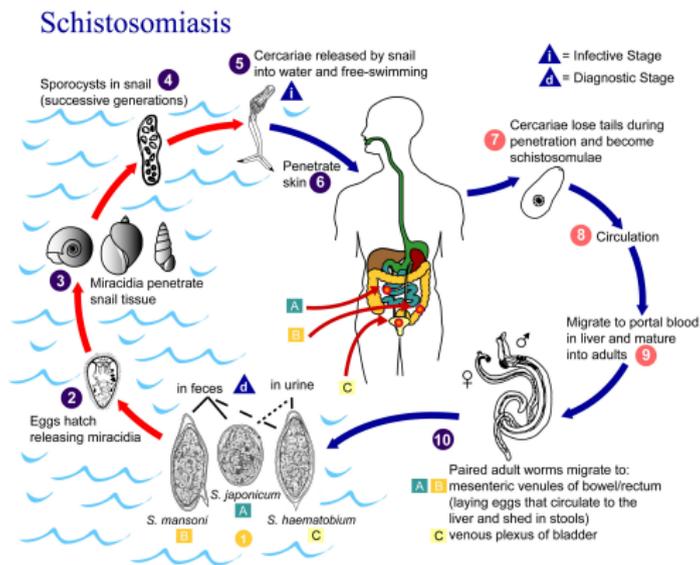
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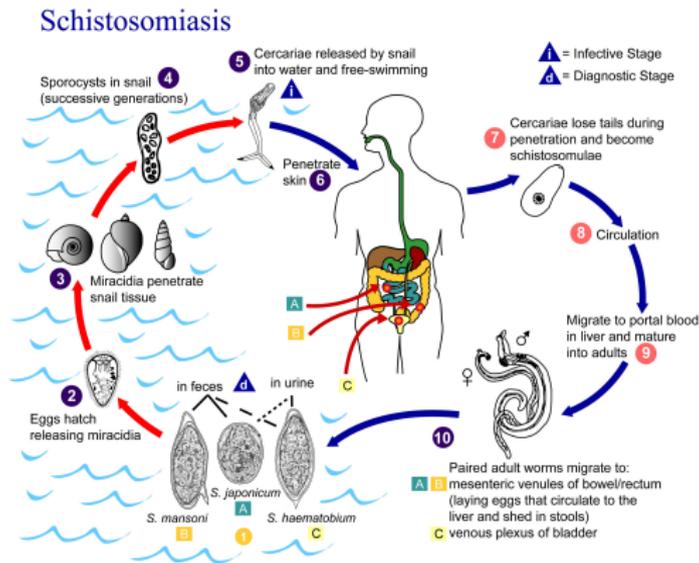


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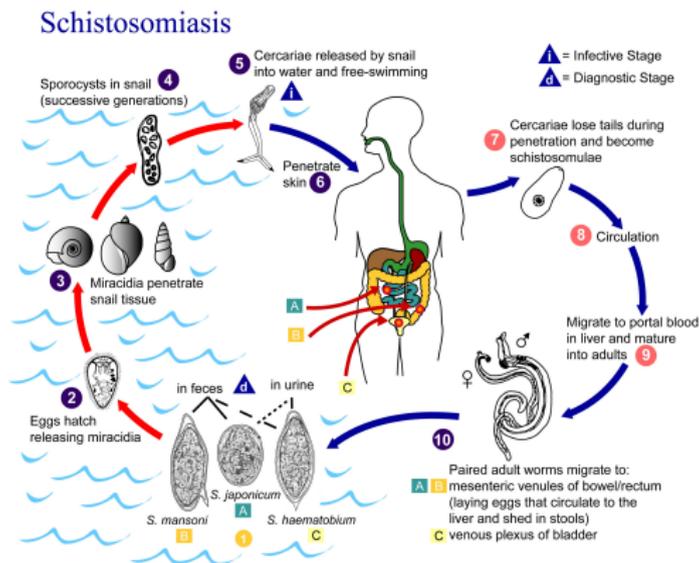
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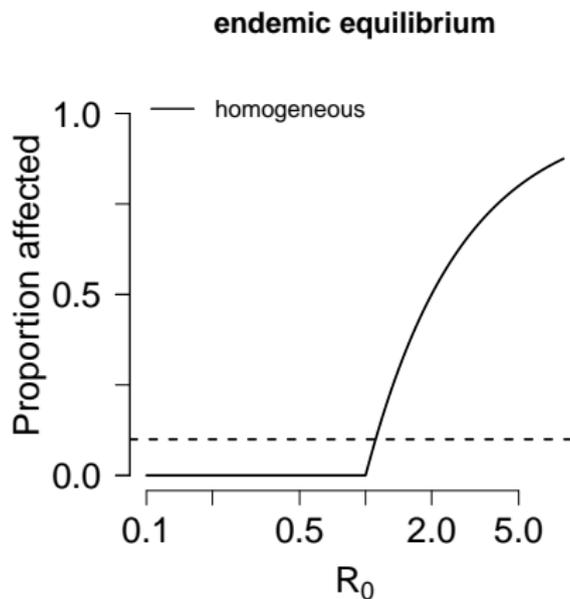
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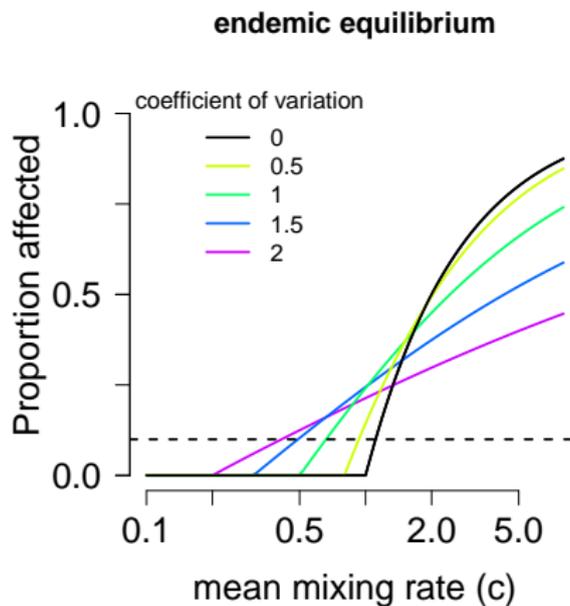
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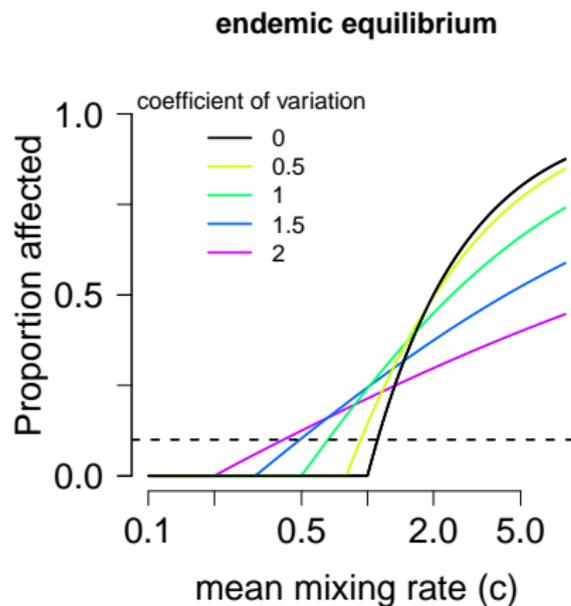
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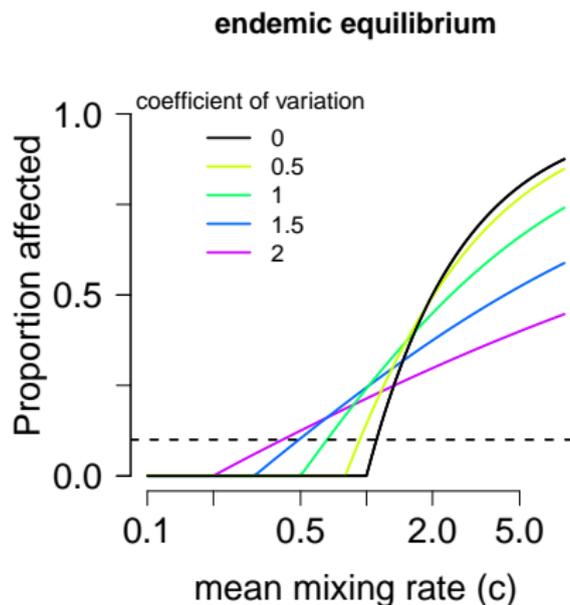
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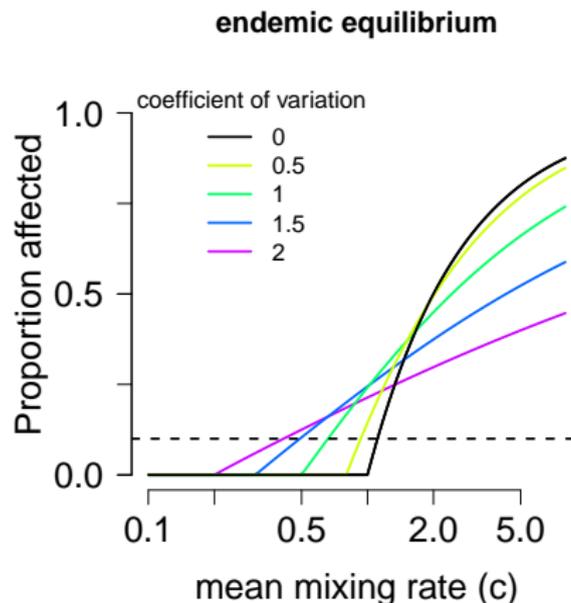


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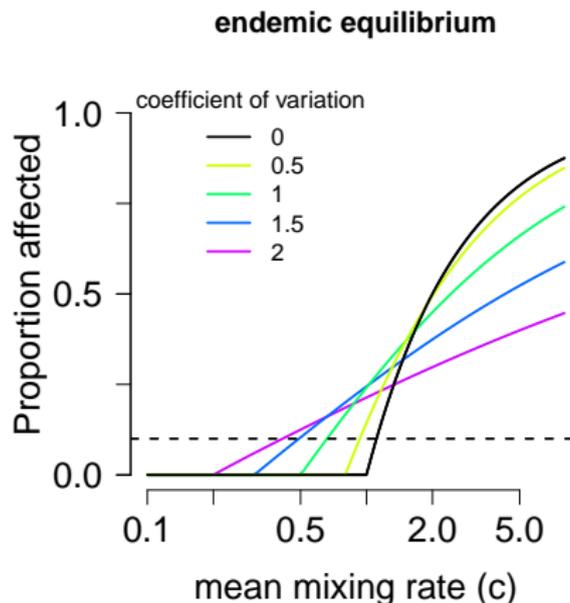
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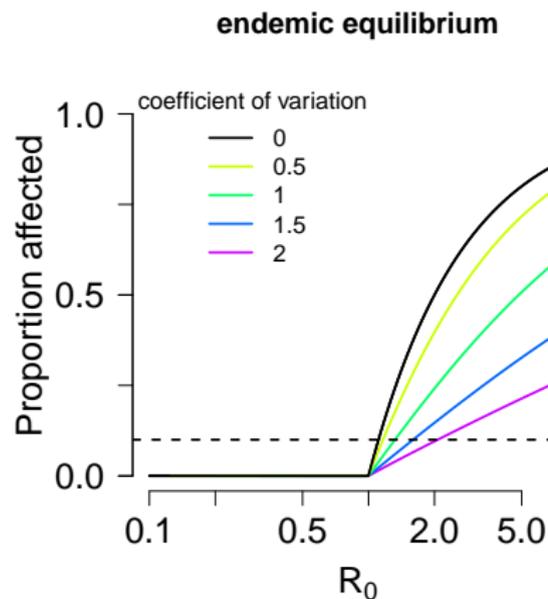
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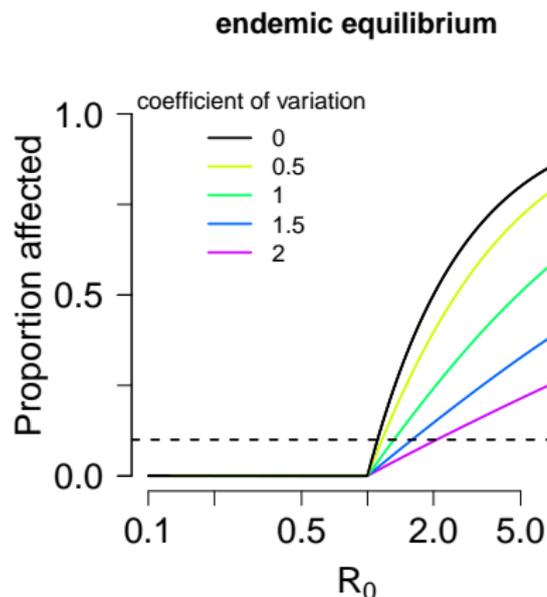


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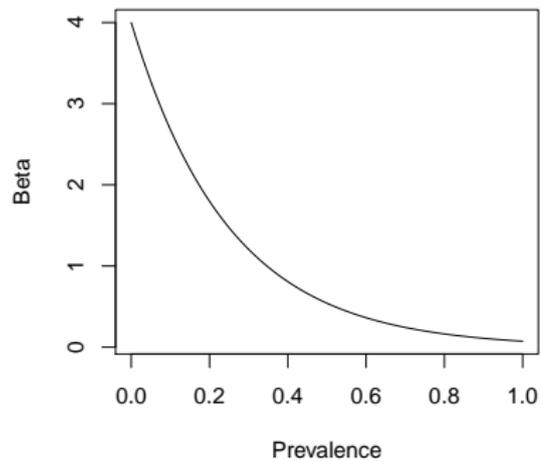
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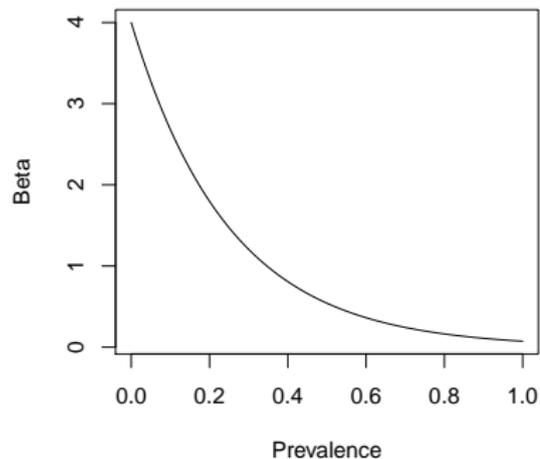
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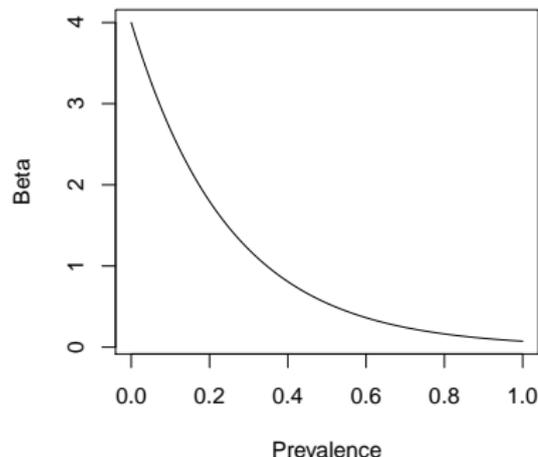


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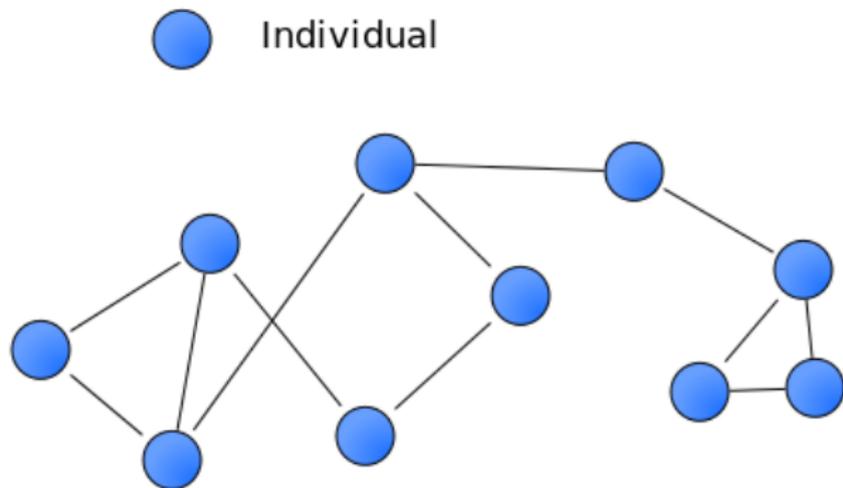
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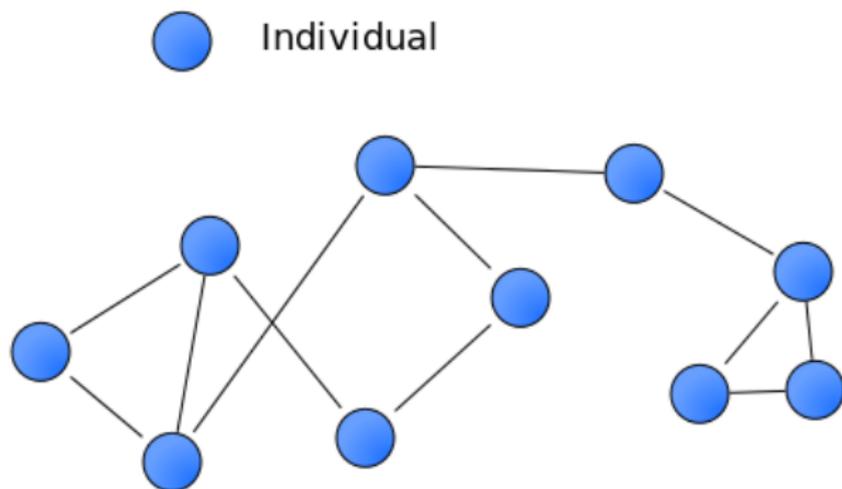
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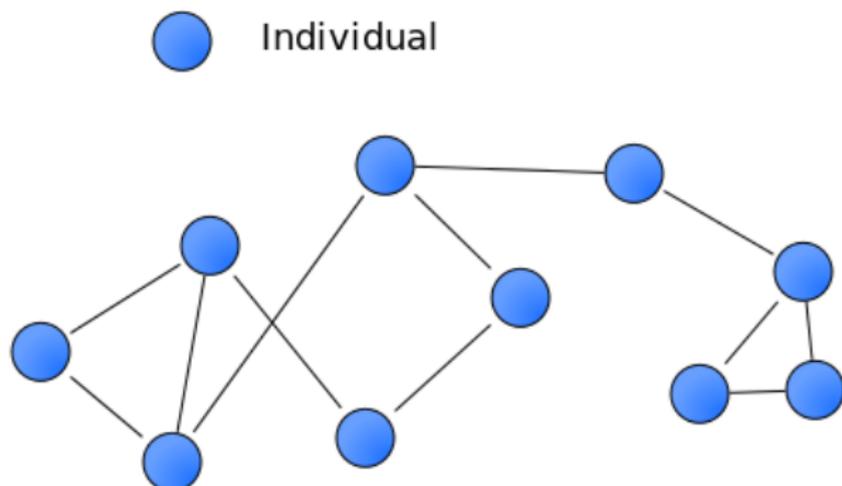


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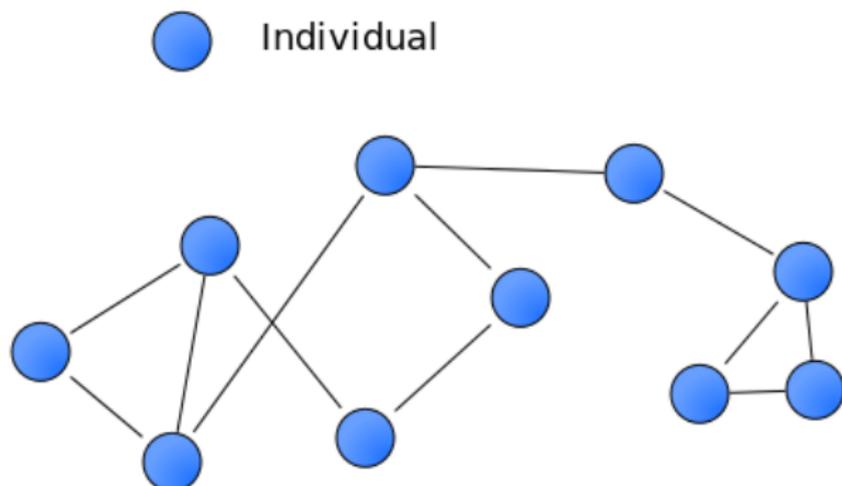
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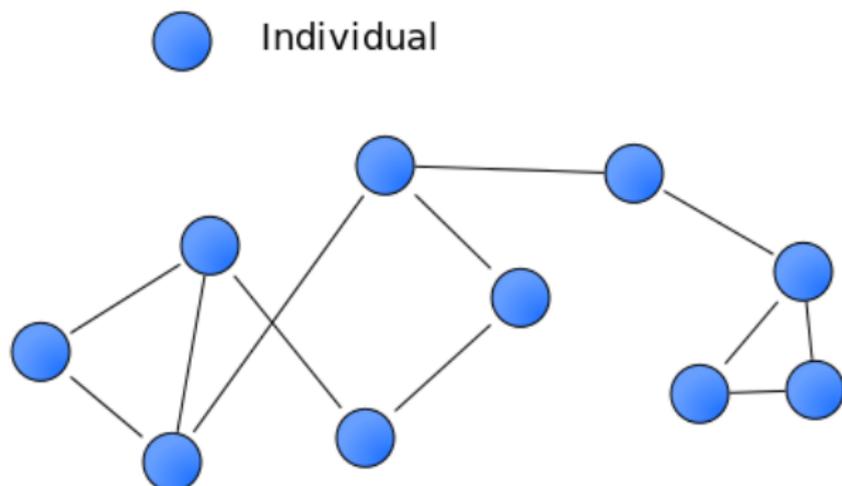
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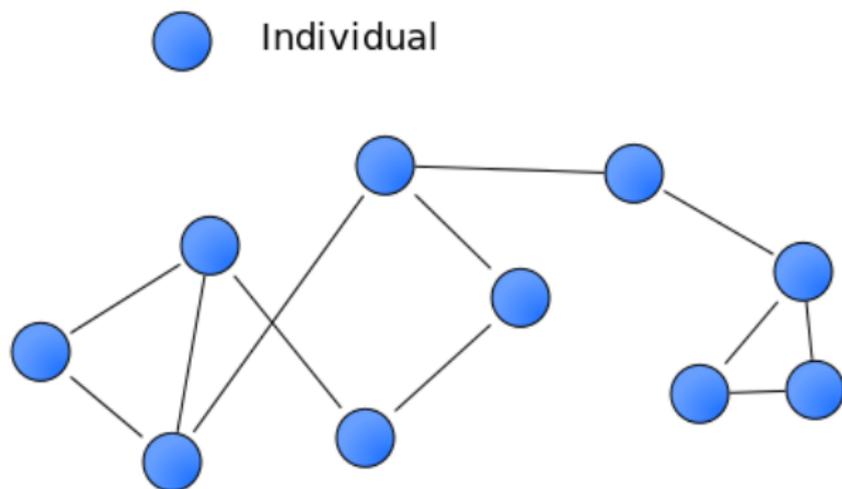
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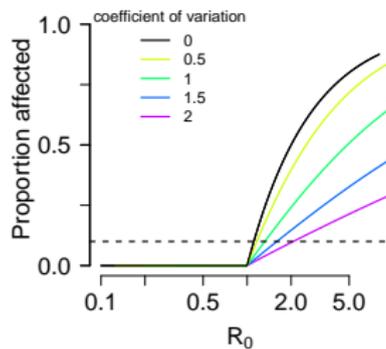


- ▶ Allow many possibilities:
 - ▶ vary individual characteristics
 - ▶ add a network of interactions
 - ▶ let the network change
- ▶ Individual-based approaches require stochastic models

Summary



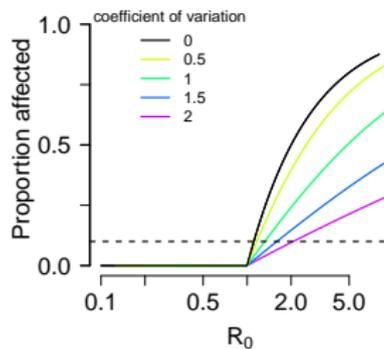
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