

# Data Driven modelling of Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) using Bayes Nets, regression and primary statistical analyses

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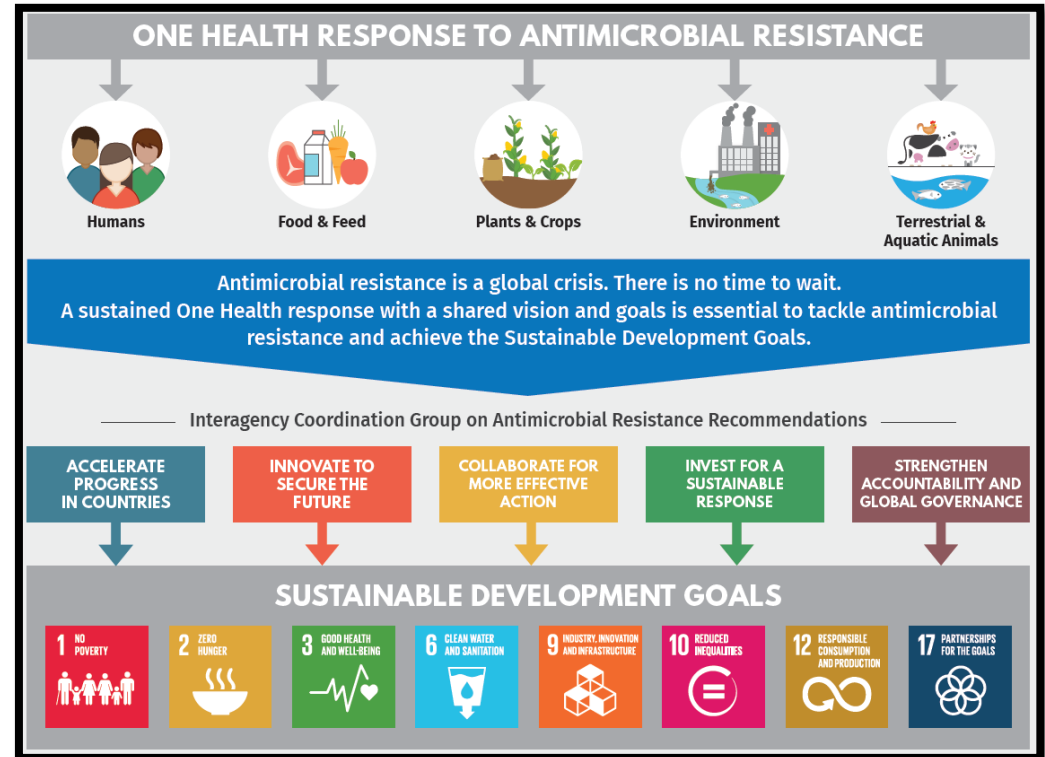
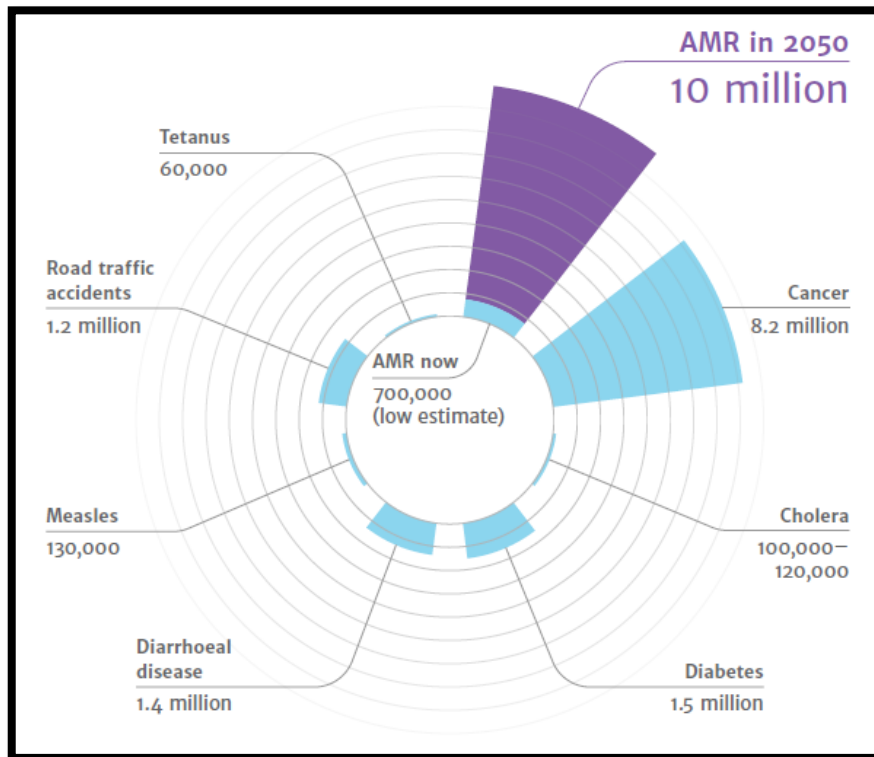
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# The Antimicrobial Resistance Challenge

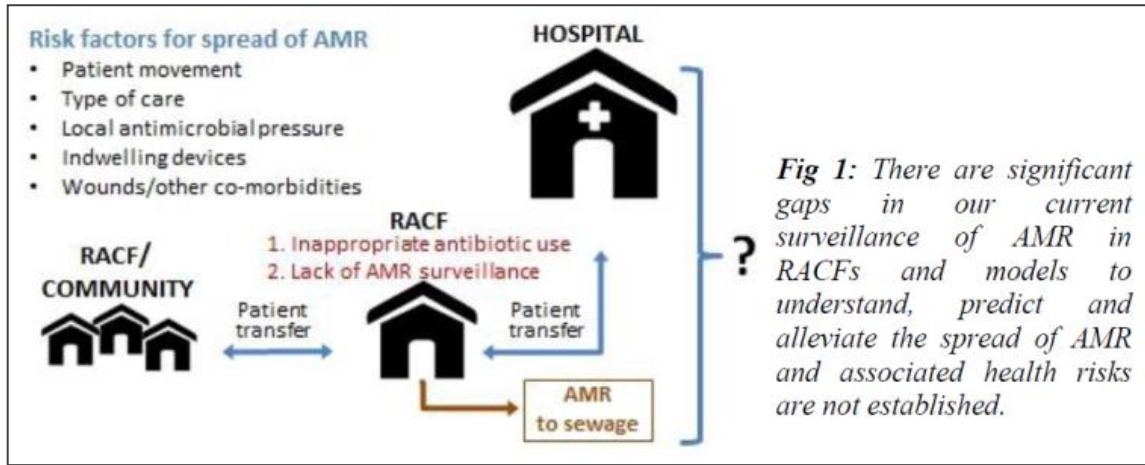
## *scale and complexity*

## *despite 60 years of control efforts*



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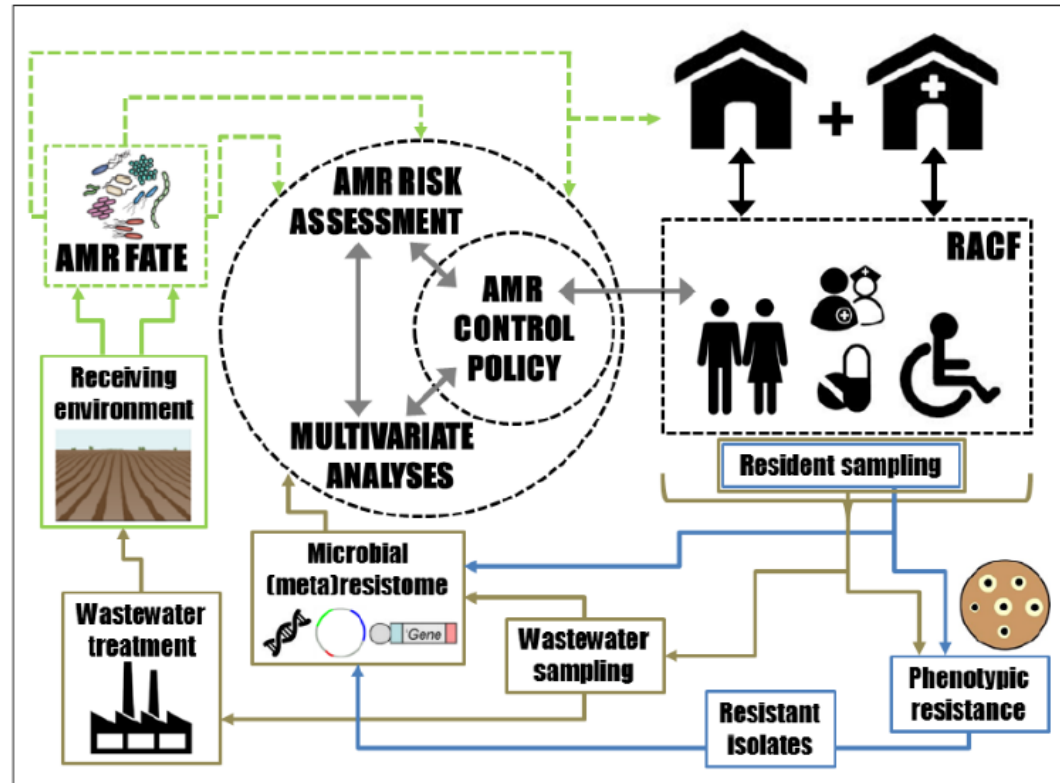
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*Fig 1: There are significant gaps in our current surveillance of AMR in RACFs and models to understand, predict and alleviate the spread of AMR and associated health risks are not established.*

The most vulnerable population – the old?

Residential Aged Care (RACF) AMR Project needs: quantitative systems & risk analysis



# Aims-How?

## RACFs most vulnerable subgroup?

1. **Adapt quantitative microbial risk assessment (QMRA = HHRA)**

“Conclusions: We propose that environmental aspects of antibiotic-resistance development be included in the processes of any HHRA addressing ARB.

**Because of limited available data, a multi-criteria decision analysis approach would be a useful way to undertake an HHRA of environmental antibiotic resistance that informs risk managers.”**

2. **Bayesian Inference > “eco-molecular” framework**

3. **Bayesian Belief nets > operational framework (review, data mining, experimental program, integration, risk management)**

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# Methods 1 – Variables/nodes

## Survey Data from RACFs (Genomics??)

### 54 variables (True/False, numbers, ratings, durations)

- 4 subpopulations, 3 RACF and 1 independent residential
- Age, health status, gender, hospitalization
- True/False & isolates/person
  - E. coli (single, multidrug, total)
  - MRSA
  - VRE
  - Total AMR isolate incidence

- RTI/UTI
- Emergency/Hospital stays
- Antimicrobial course details number, duration, total time
- Systemic v. Topical application

### Antimicrobials (T/F)

- Fluoroquinolones, Betalactam, Cephalosporin, Eardrops, Amoxicillin, Augmentin, Cefalexin, Chloramphenicol, Ciproxin, Doxycycline, Nitrofurantoin, Trimethoprim

# Methods 2 – Data analysis and modelling

## Data driven modelling

- Screening of AMR drivers: Descriptive stats, Correlation
- ‘Model’ construction: Regression, **Semi-naïve Bayes nets (Netica v 6.07)**
- Process of elimination of low contribution drivers of AMR
  - Select variable with higher R compared to AMR related variables;
  - Residue explored and further trimmed: Use backwards probability based regression; **Eliminate factors with variance reduction or mutual information < 1% in sensitivity to findings**
  - Identify provisional drivers and data robustness.

**SIRS simulation – 3-10 years simulations for comparison.**

# Summary statistics

- 84 RACF residents (mean 87 yo), 29 independent living in community (mean 78 yo)
- 56% received antibiotic courses in 2020
- **% AMRs Detected = 43% of residents studied, 39% E. coli**
- **45% of RACF residents' carriers, 38% of independent living were carriers**
- **21% RACF carried Multi Drug Resistant E. coli v. 14% of community group**
- Only single Vancomycin resistant Enterococcus isolate
- Most Correlation R values  $< 0.2$  especially Spearman rank matrix = no dominant driver

# Most significant candidate variables

## Total AMR/ E. coli variables

RACF (which)

UTI (T/F)

RTI (T/F)

Systemic T/F

Antimicrobial n

Systemic duration(days)

Systemic total n

Cefalexin T/F

Dementia rating (0-3)

Antibiotics T/F

Hosp stay (0-2)

## MRSA

RACF (which)

UTI (T/F)

RTI (T/F)

Systemic T/F

Antimicrobial n

Systemic duration(days)

Systemic total n

Cefalexin T/F

Female T/F

Mobility rating (0-3)

BenzoD T/F

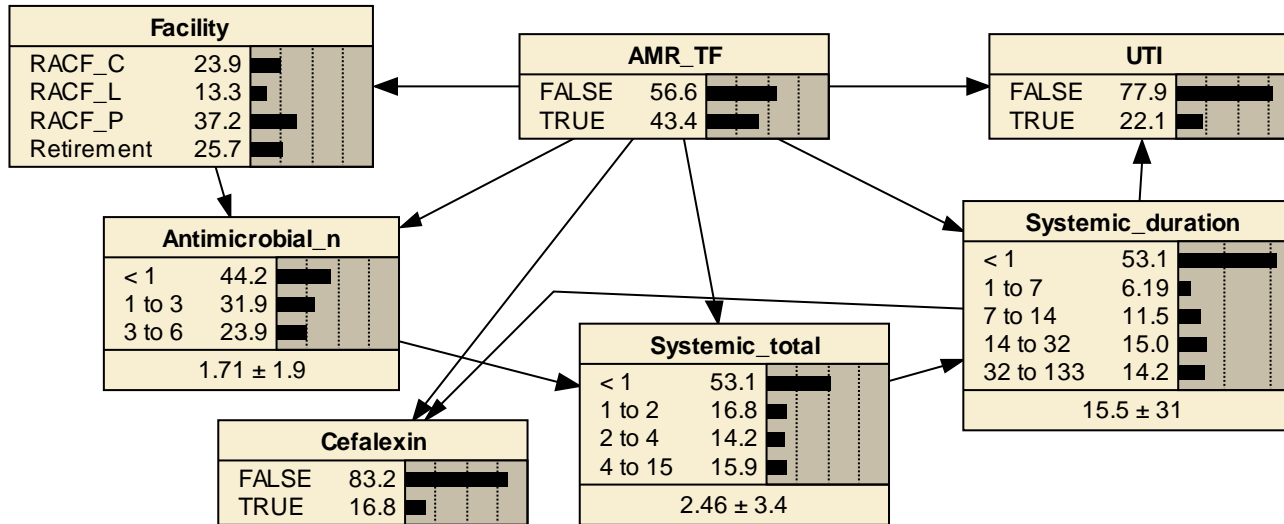
betalactam T/F

Doxycycline T/F

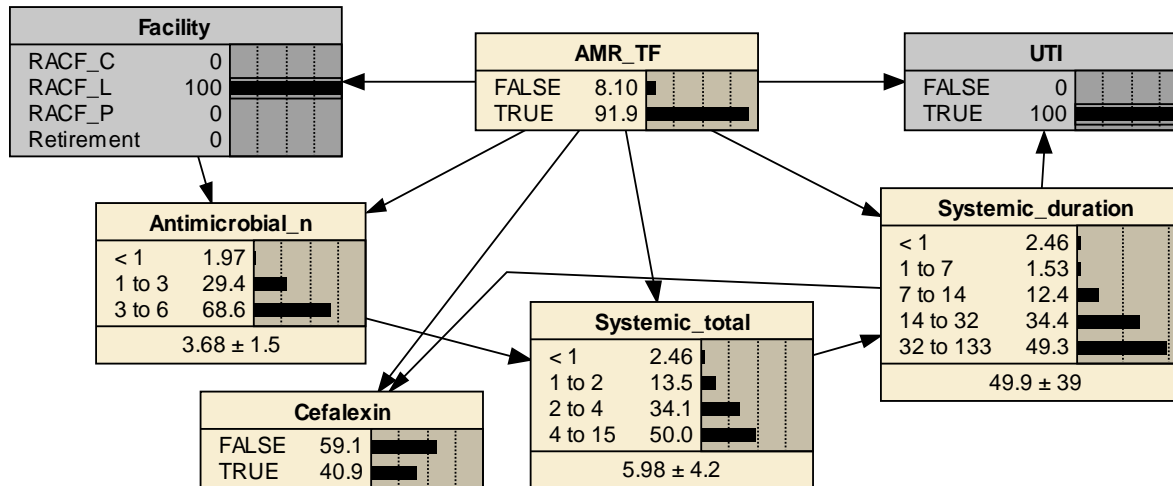


# Bayes Net exploration

## Total AMR (T/F) example UTI in Facility L



Group presentation & exploration of variation e.g. between facilities



Also interrelationships between antimicrobial dosing evident in RACFs

# Bayes v. Regression 1 – Total antimicrobial resistant isolate incidence (n)

Bayes Net (% Variance reduction)		Backwards Regression (coefficient P.)	
Systemic_duration	9.17	Systemic_duration	0.0013
Systemic_total	6.72	Systemic_total	0.0968
Facility	6.61	Antimicrobial_n	0.1576
UTI	4.37	UTI	0.14
Antimicrobial_n	4.18		
Cefalexin	3.7	(overall P. <0.0001 and R <sup>2</sup> = 0.29)	

(‘Facility’ variable not suited to regression but fine for BNs)

## Bayes net v. Regression 2. Multidrug Resistant E. coli incidence (n)

Bayes Net (% Variance reduction)		Backwards Regression (coefficient P.)	
Systemic_duration	9.38	Systemic_duration	<0.0001
Systemic_total	6.86	RTI	0.0702
Facility	5.66		
Antimicrobial_n	2.86		
UTI	2.17		(overall P. <0.0001 and R <sup>2</sup> = 0.22)
Age2020	1.44		
Hosp_stay	1.16		

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# Variables having low to trivial influence

**Gender (women more vulnerable to UTIs?)**

**Age (age vulnerability?)**

**Hospital admission (transfer from antibiotic rich hospital environment?)**

Statins (circulation problems?)

Influenza vaccination (vaccine sensitivity?)

Topical applications (route of exposure of AMR - v. systemic)

Beta lactam antibiotic use (Amoxicillin, Augmentin)

Most major antibiotics including fluoroquinolones, cephalosporins, chloramphenicol, doxycycline

# Major summary findings

(Within the limits of sample sizes and detection frequency)

- Regression and BNs drivers similar there statistical significance of causal coefficients is high/marked ( $P.<0.01$ )
- The biggest issue was *E. coli* AMRs (implication for genomics studies)
- Relationships statistically significant but still not strong overall : 0.2-0.3  $r^2$
- Antibiotic T/F v. AMR bacteria Correlations = 0.196/0.132 (Spearman/Pearson)
- Main overall driver appears to be high systemic doses of antibiotics (duration/number of courses, total treatment time = selection pressure)
- Marked difference between RACF incidence (independent living intermediate)
- *E. coli* single resistance not strongly correlated to any drivers but multi drug resistance corresponds to high dosing
- VRE was not a major issue (past major concern) however single detect was with most extensive dosed resident (161 days and antibiotic treatment)

# What is missing?

**A major node/variable? (unknown)**

**Or**

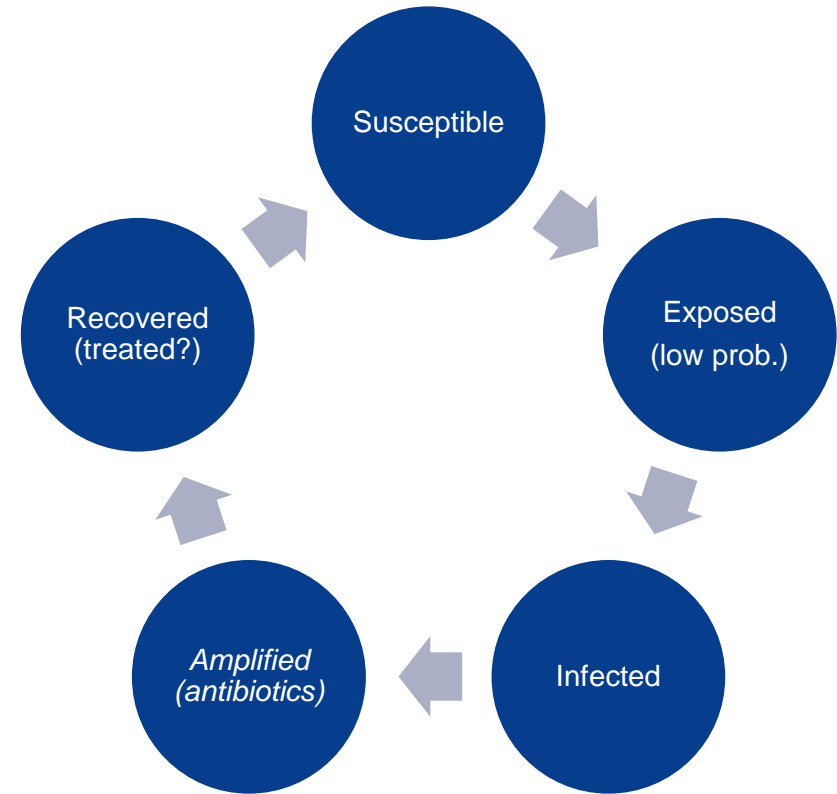
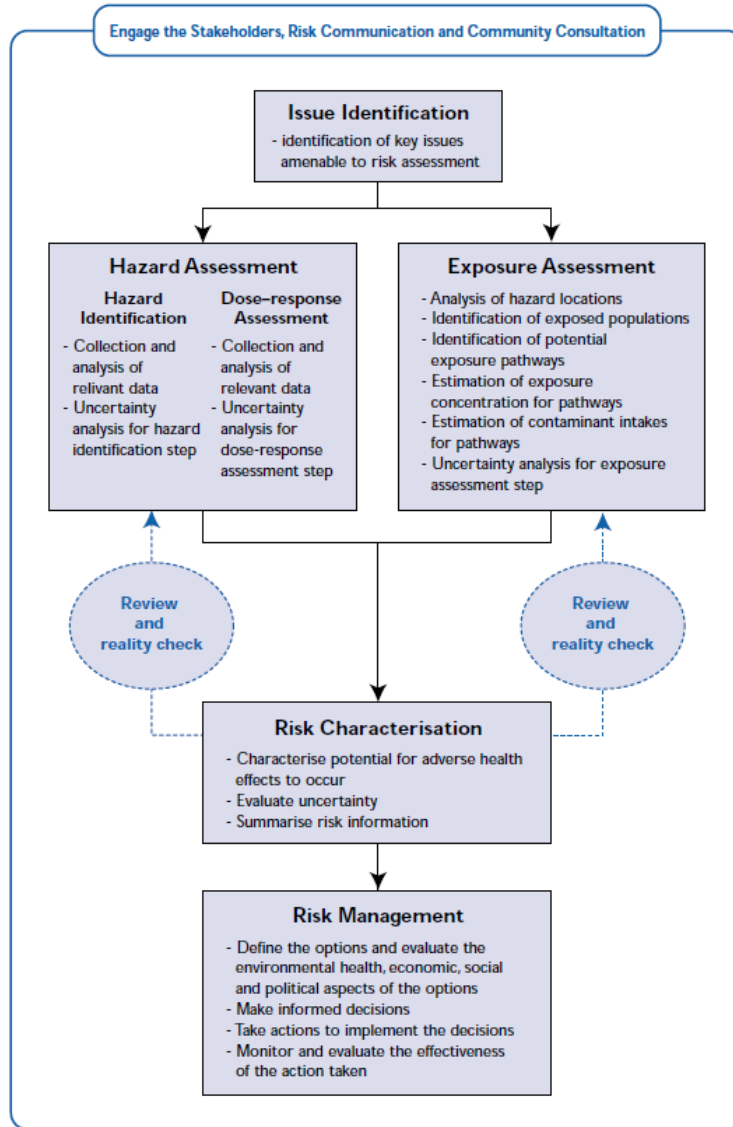
**Insufficiently sensitive testing? (method)**

**Or**

**Is something else going on?**

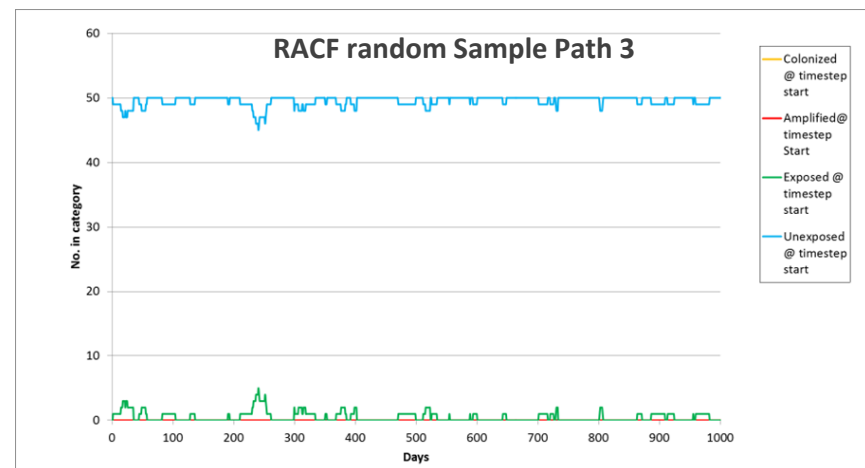
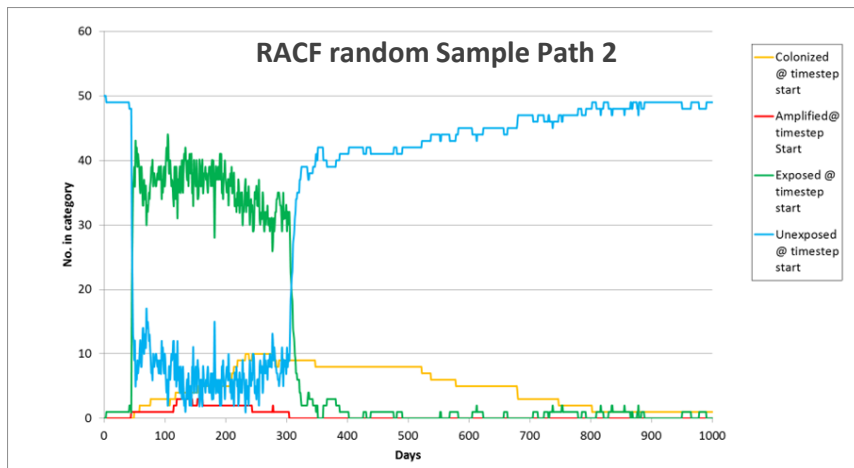
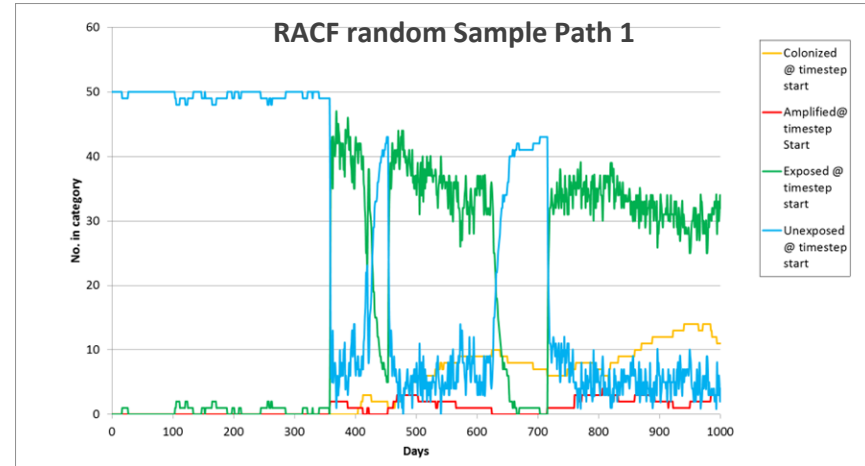
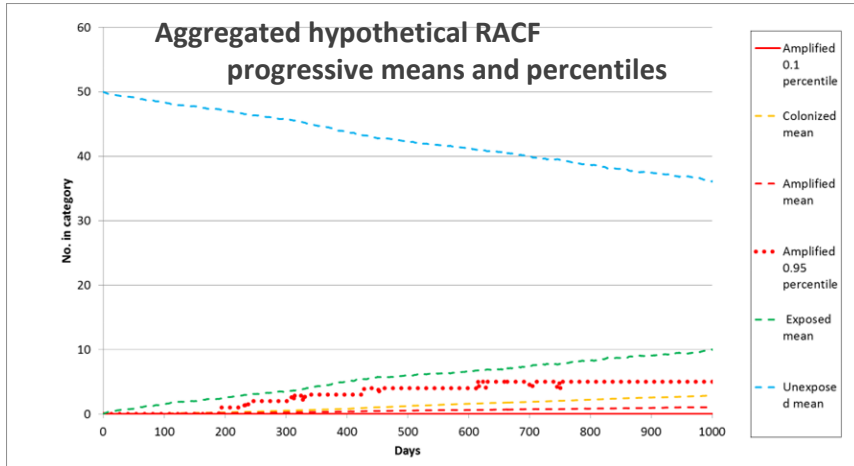
# QMRA v. (causal/linear)

# Epidemiology (SEIR/cyclic modelling)



Infrequent but high impact events a challenge for dynamic BNs

# The impact of SEIR stochasticity



$n=50$ , 3 years,  $\rho$  (prescription induced amplification rate = 0.0008/person /day)



# Parting thought – Are causal BNs fooled by randomness?

- Need to integrate Data Driven & Process Based modelling
- Value of bringing more data?
- KPI comparison of facilities (Business management SOP)
- Is unaccounted for variance Bayesian Net due to:
  - Unknown drivers?
  - Noisy primary input data?
  - **AMR outbreak evolution induced feedback cycles?  
(we expect varying RACF to RACF status quos)**
- Colonized v. Amplified (level of 'infection')
- Are statistically significant relationships actually more significant than metrics suggest?

Named by *Farrane*  
ONE OF THE SMARTEST BOOKS OF ALL TIME

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*BY*

*R A N D O M N E S S*

*The Hidden Role of Chance  
in Life and in the Markets*

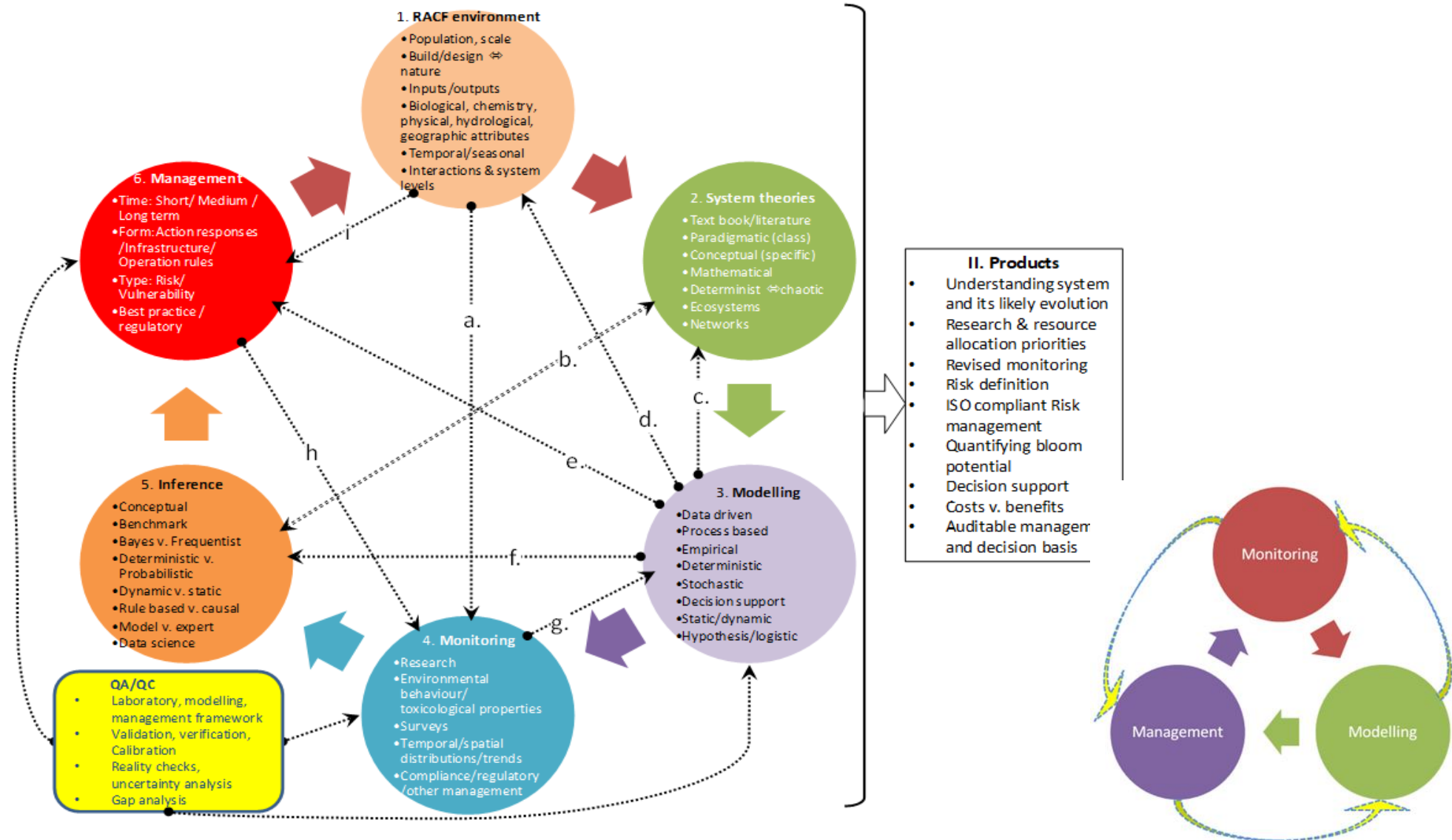
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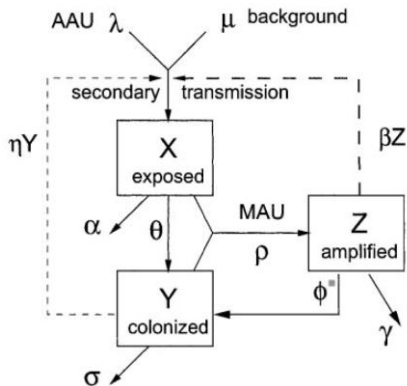
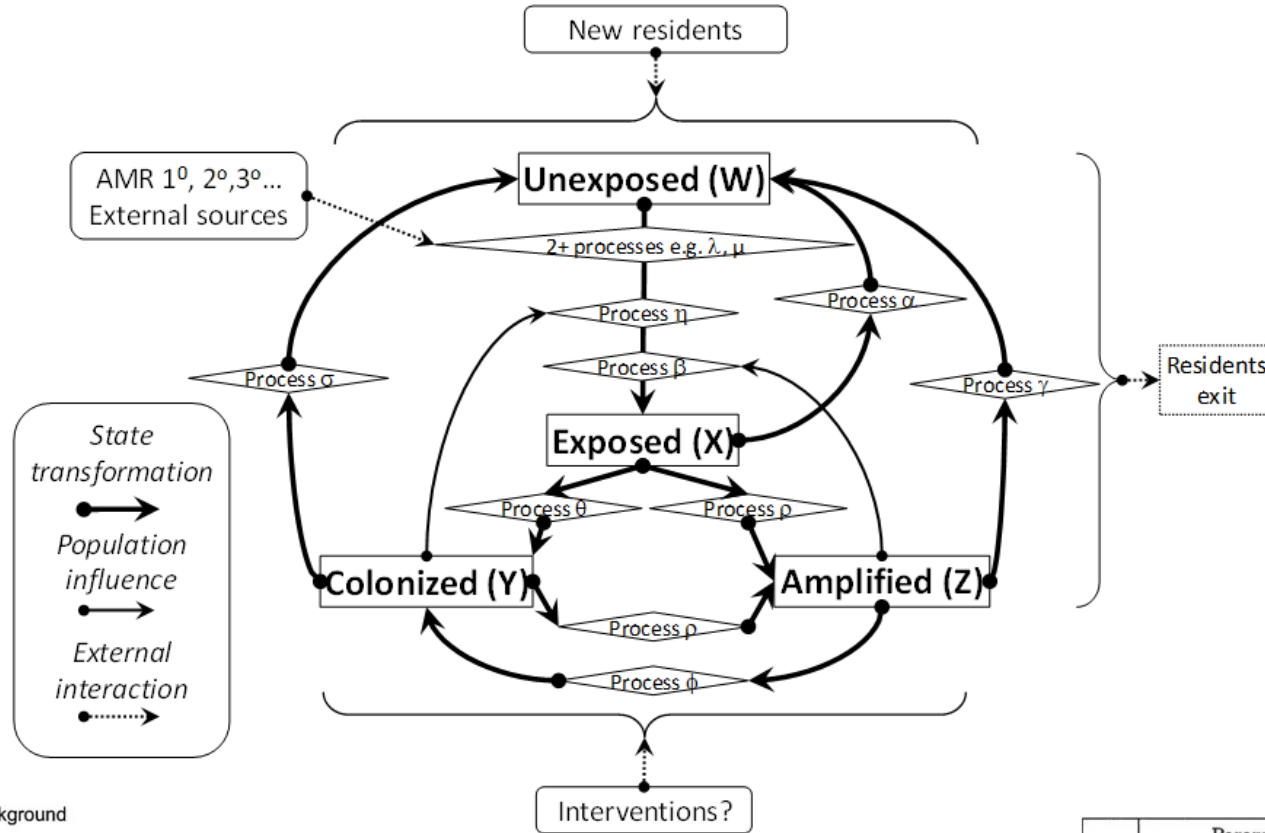


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# The monitoring, modelling and management cycle



Timeseries/  
dynamic  
Modelling used  
Reed Frost  
and Binomial  
formulation to  
**incorporate  
stochasticity**



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	Parameter	Estimate
$\lambda, \mu$	Rates of Exposure	$10^{-3}, 10^{-6}$
$\alpha$	Transient Loss Rate	0.1 per day
$\theta$	Colonization Rate	0.001 per day
$\sigma$	Colonized Loss Rate	0.003 per day
$\gamma$	Amplified Loss Rate	0.007 per day
$\phi$	Recolonization Rate	0.003 per day
$\rho$	Prescription Rate	0.003 per day
$\eta$	Contact Rate, colonized	$10^{-5}$ per day
$\beta$	Contact Rate, Amplified	0.5 per day

# How good was the predictive power?

total AMR and Multiply drug resistant E. coli simulated sets (n=1000)

For AMR\_TF:

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Confusion:

...Predicted..		Actual
FALSE	TRUE	
510	74	FALSE
210	206	TRUE

Error rate = 28.4%

Scoring Rule Results:

Logarithmic loss = 0.5391  
 Quadratic loss = 0.3745  
 Spherical payoff = 0.7855

For EcoliMDR\_TF:

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Confusion:

...Predicted..		Actual
FALSE	TRUE	
718	54	FALSE
138	90	TRUE

Error rate = 19.2%

Scoring Rule Results:

Logarithmic loss = 0.4003  
 Quadratic loss = 0.2649  
 Spherical payoff = 0.8515

# Variables discarded

- Initial Screening – multiple R clusters  $> 0.1$  for AMR bacteria incidence variables versus candidate drivers
- Modelling: Identify best explanatory variables and compare
- For multiple regression (numeric AMR data) use Backward Regression repeatedly reducing P value and maximising  $r^2$
- For logistic regression (T/F AMR data variants) remove high P values to reduce variable set and maximise  $r^2$
- For Bayes Nets mutual information  $< 1\%$  after semi-naive BN

## Bayes v. Regression 3. – Multiply resistant Staphylococcus aureus incidence

Bayes Net (% Variance reduction)		Backwards Regression (coefficient P.)	
RTI	3.36	RTI	0.0098
Antimicrobial_n	2.71	Cefalexin	0.0920
Mobility_rating	2.64	Systemic_TF	0.1911
Facility	2.51	Systemic_duration	0.1983
Systemic_duration	1.97		
Systemic_total	1.75		
Systemic_TF	1.55		
UTI	1.17		
		(overall P. = 0.0056 and R <sup>2</sup> = 0.13)	

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