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### Simplification for Generalization 2:

#### Models and the bigger picture



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# Outline

- Model taxonomy
- Review of models, and placement on taxonomy
- Discussion of model taxonomy decisions
- Big picture take-aways
- Instructions for this afternoon
- Instructions for tomorrow

CONTINUOUS TREATMENT OF INDIVIDUALS (averages, proportions, or population densities)

#### CONTINUOUS TIME

- Ordinary differential equations
- Partial differential equations

#### DISCRETE TIME

- Difference equations
  - (eg, Reed-Frost type models)

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### SLIV program

 Can school-located influenza vaccination programs protect the elderly?



Halloran & Longini 2006 Science

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## Simple = general

 How do acute immunizing infections persist, and what causes recurrent epidemics?



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### Jackal rabies

 Can seasonal abundance of anthrax carcasses drive rabies invasion in a wild jackal population?



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# HPV in RSA

#### • Will HPV vaccination reduce HIV incidence?



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### Ebola trial design



 Was an SWCT or RCT preferable to evaluate efficacy of an Ebola vaccine in Sierra Leone?

Bellan et al. 2015 Lancet ID

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## Drivers of HIV decline

Why has HIV prevalence declined in Harare?



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# **HIV** infection

• How important is acute phase transmission?

rate of new infections generated



#### time since infection

Bellan et al. 2015 PLOS Medicine

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ETERMINISTIC

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**STOCHASTIC** 



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# Take home points

- Models help us identify the most important features of a system
- Model worlds should be constructed to address a question of biological or public health relevance!
- Models can inform study design and data analysis
- Models can inform policy discussions and motivate change

# This afternoon

- By 2pm
  - Post updated model diagram
  - Post updated model description
- 2-3:30
  - One-on-one meetings with faculty (see assignments and locations)
  - Pack / ready to depart by 3:30
  - Pay your bar tab (if applicable)!
- 3:30-4
  - Departure (shuttles will pick up at lodging)
- 4:30-6

Individual work session; research plan due at 9am

### Tomorrow

- Breakfast 8:15-9
- By 9am
  - Post final research plan
  - Post slide for final presentation
    - Include final model diagram and research question
- 9-11:30 final presentations
- 11:30-12:15 final feedback session
- 12:15-12:30 closing session
- 12:30 lunch & departure