

Forecasting the COVID-19 Epidemic in Washington State

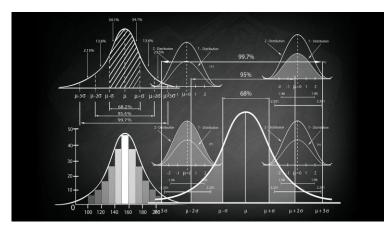
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How do we forecast epidemics?



Statistical



Source: https://online.stanford.edu/courses/ hrp259-introduction-probability-and-statistics-epidemiology

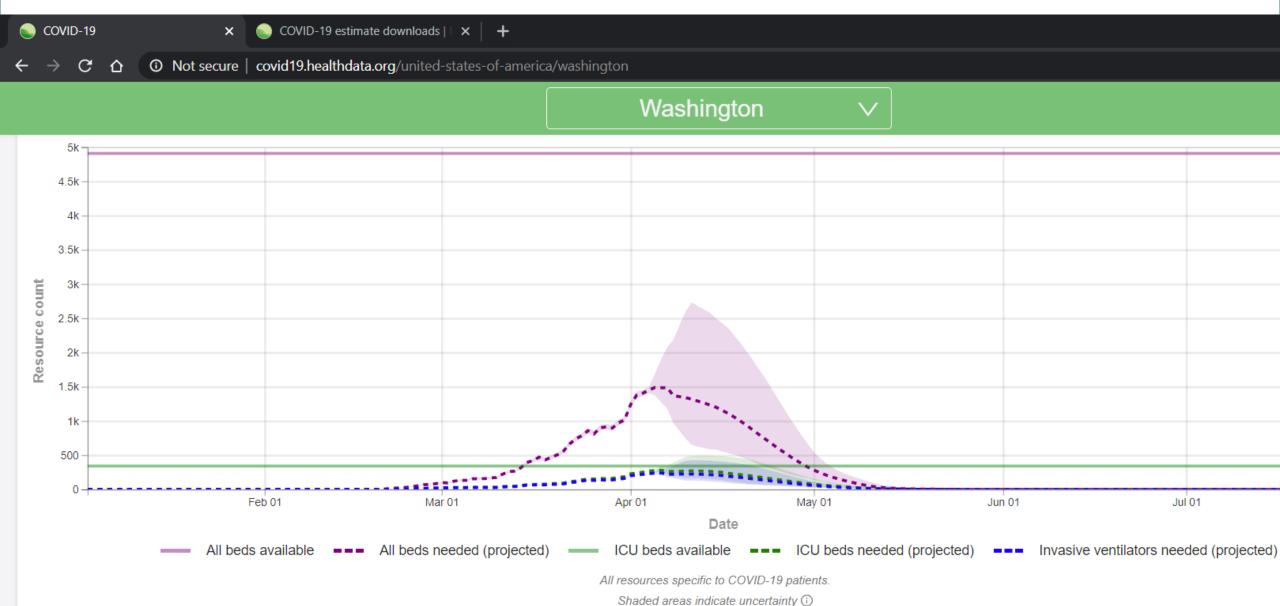
Mechanistic



https://mustangrobotics.net/gears-and-gear-reductions/

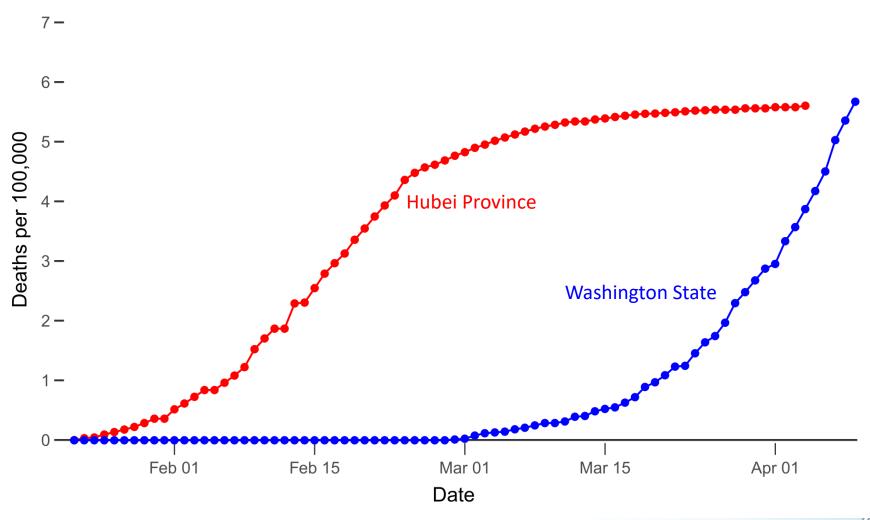


University of Washington IHME forecast



Using Wuhan to Predict Washington





Forecasting using mechanistic models



Susceptible

Exposed

Infectious

Recovered

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}S}{\mathrm{d}t} = B - \beta SI - \mu S$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}E}{\mathrm{d}t} = \beta SI - (\nu + \mu)E$$

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = B - \beta SI - \mu S$$

$$\frac{dE}{dt} = \beta SI - (\nu + \mu) E$$

$$\frac{dI}{dt} = \nu E - (\gamma + \mu + \delta) I$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}R}{\mathrm{d}t} = \gamma I - \mu R$$

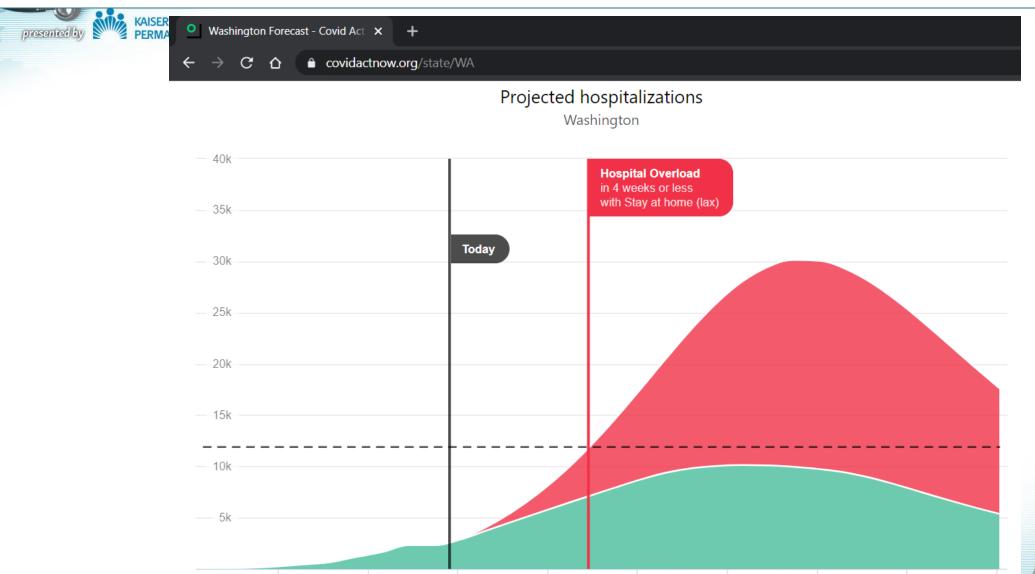


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May 11

Apr 27

May 25



Apr 13

Mar 16

Mar 30

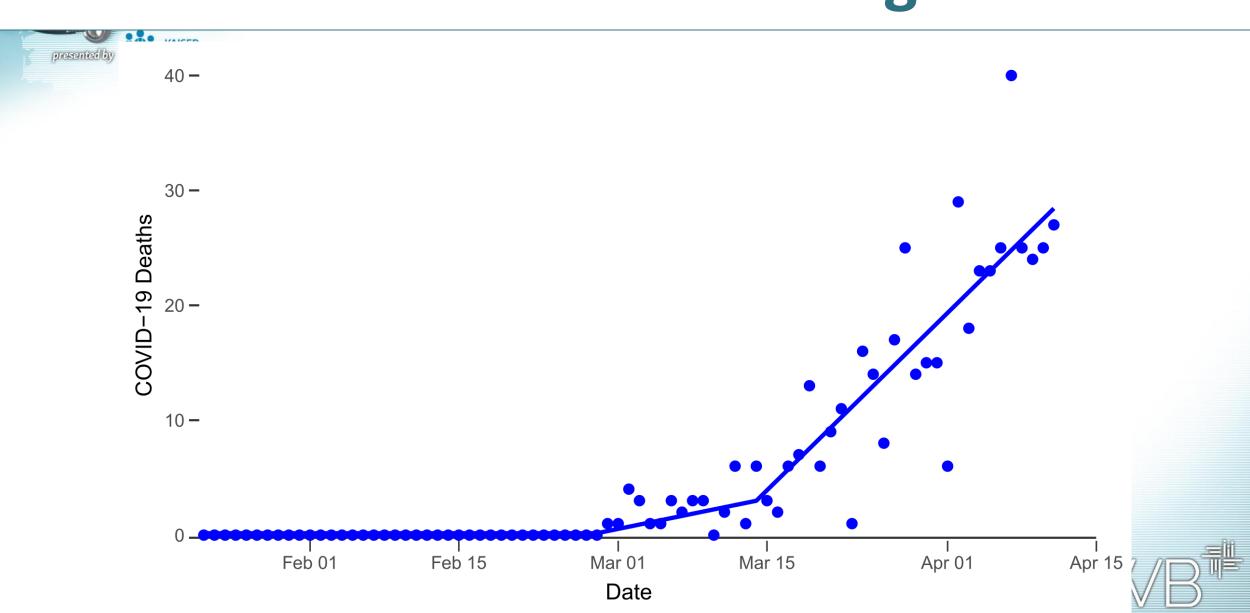


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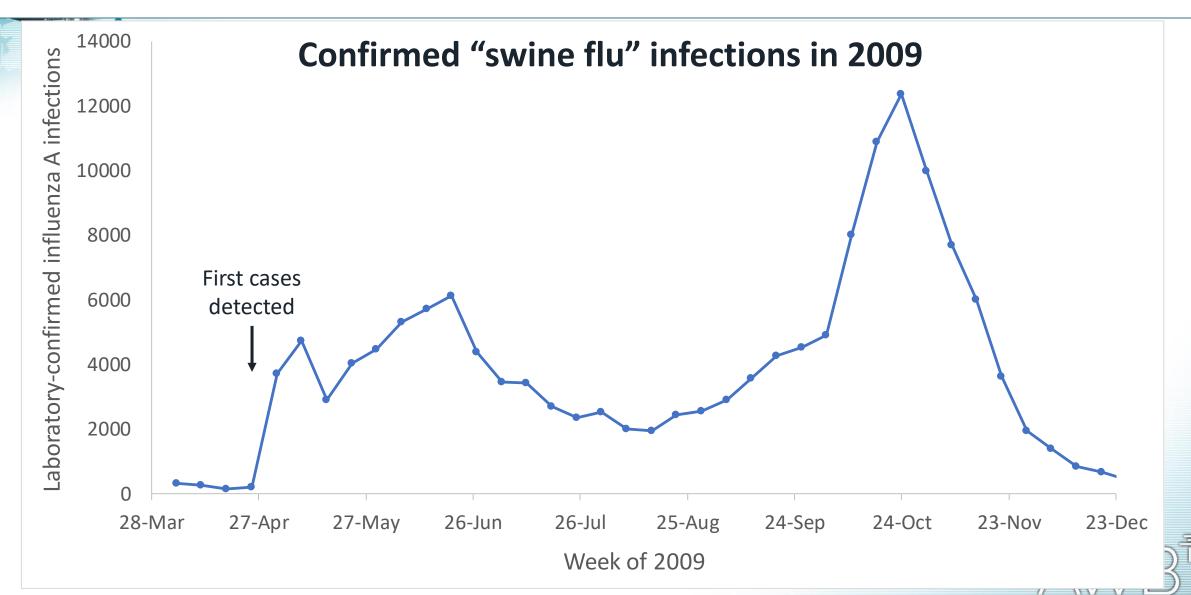
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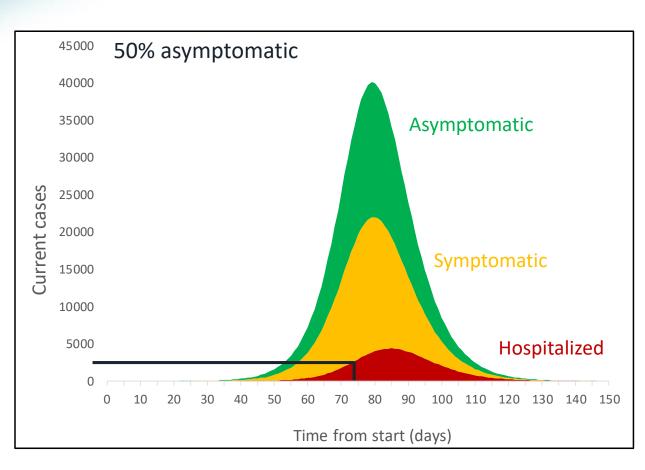
COVID-19 Deaths in Washington State

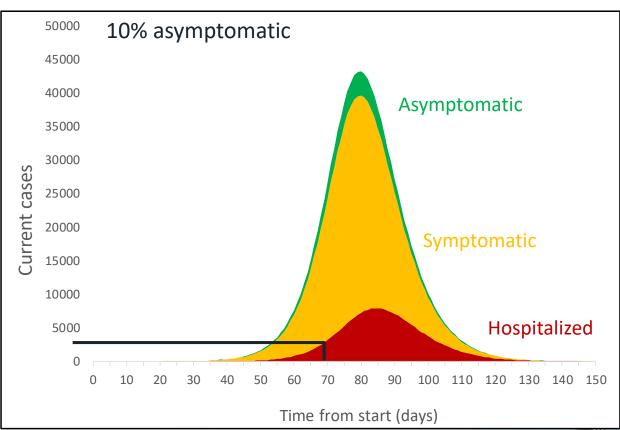


First question: is SARS-CoV-2 is seasonal?



Question 2: How many asymptomatic infections? (Mock data)





COVID-19 Vaccine Trial at KPWA



- Sponsored by National Institutes of Health
- Vaccine made by Moderna Therapeutics
- Vaccine does not include any parts of the virus can't cause infection
- Study started with people age 18 to 55
- May soon add people age 56+
- This is "Phase 1"—testing safety and immune response
- Effectiveness will be tested later
- Trial will take 14 months. Why so long? So we can assess safety and effectiveness before distributing to millions of healthy people.





Thank you!

