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"Measles Lecture Handout"

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EPIDEMIOLOGY

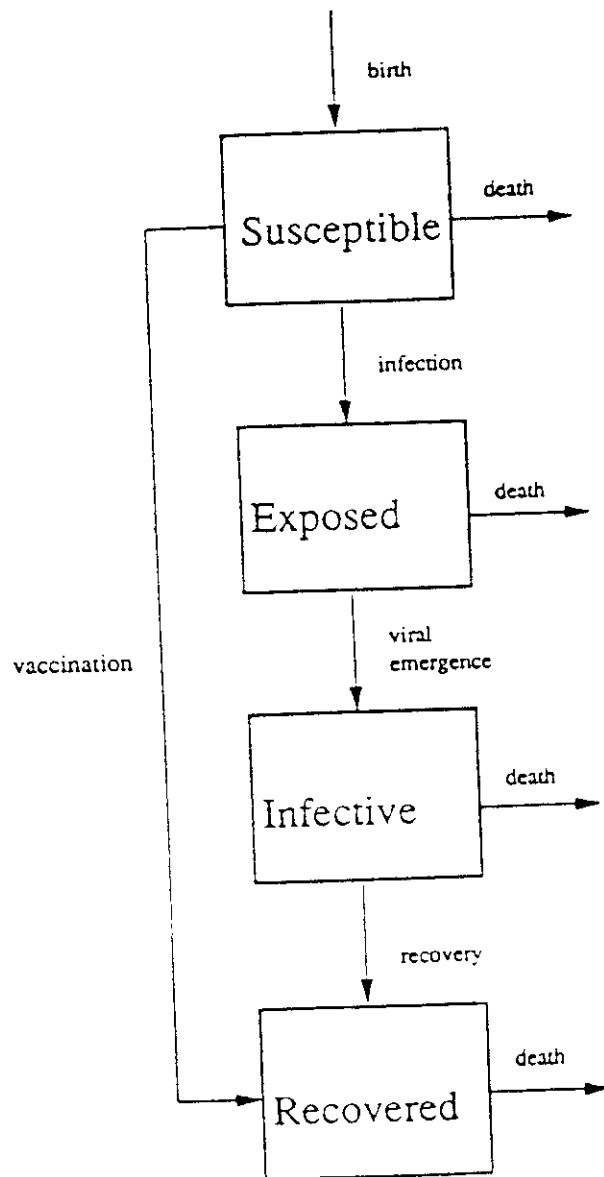
- ♦ Cycles (linear)
- ♦ Persistence
- ♦ Stochasticity
- ♦ Age structure
- ♦ Spatial structure

- ♦ VACCINATION
cycles
eradication threshold

NONLINEAR DYNAMICS

- ♦ Cycles (nonlinear)
- ♦ Stochasticity

- ♦ Nonlinear predictability



The SEIR model for measles

(Susceptible, Exposed, Infectious, Recovered)

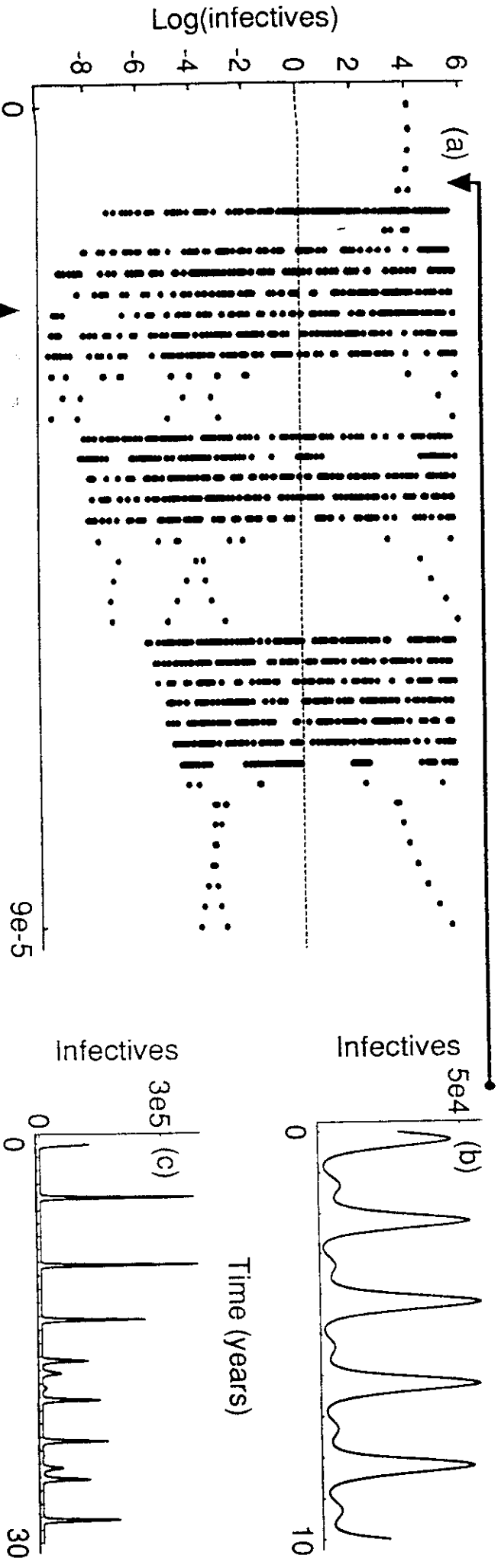
$$\frac{dS}{dt} = \mu N - (\mu + \beta I)S$$

$$\frac{dE}{dt} = \beta IS - (\mu + \sigma)E$$

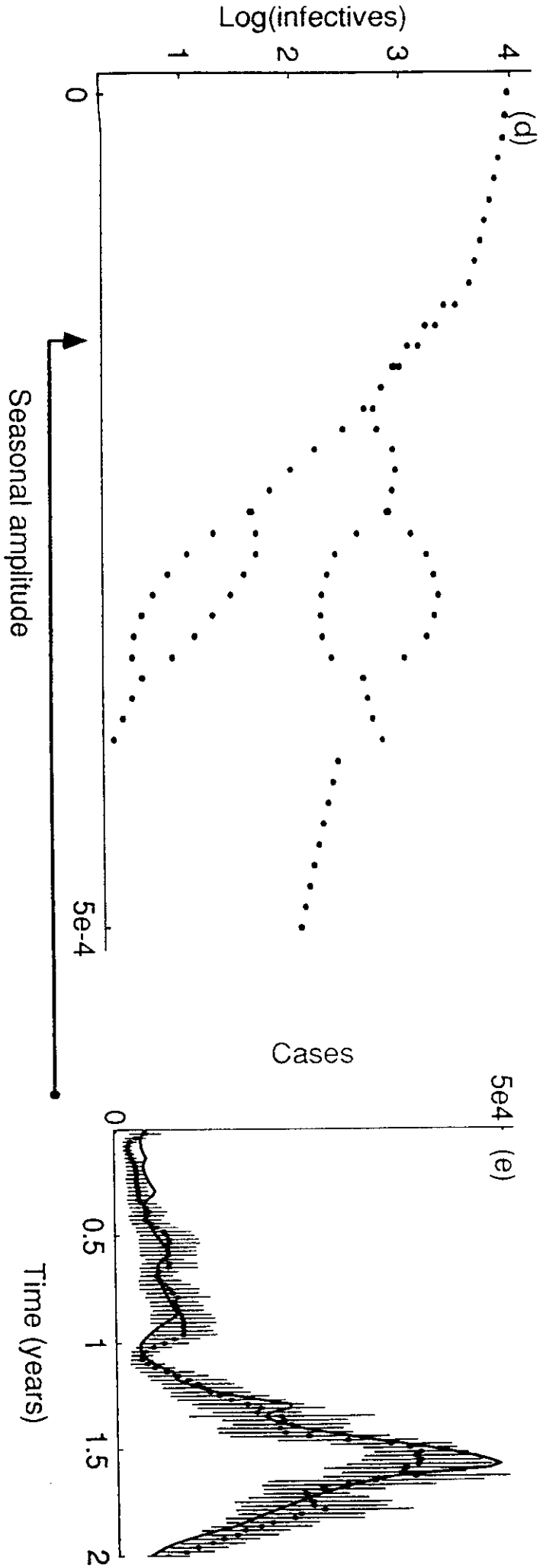
$$\frac{dI}{dt} = \sigma E - (\mu + \gamma)I$$

Seasonal forcing in the infection rate

$$\beta(t) = b_0(1 + b_1 \cos(2\pi t))$$



Seasonal amplitude



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