



Keep it Simple:

Using the BARR-2002R to assess risk for violent recidivism among sex offenders in a police sample

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A man in a grey t-shirt and blue jeans is running on a city street. He is holding a glass beer bottle in his right hand, and the neck of the bottle is on fire, with flames and smoke rising from it. The background is blurred, showing a city street with a red traffic light and other people in the distance.

**Why is Risk Assessment
Important?**

**Brief
Assessment of
Recidivism
Risk
2002R**



Static-2002R

Persistence
of Sexual
Offending

Sexual
Deviance

Relationship
to
Victim

Age at
Release

General
Criminality

BARR-2002R

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Age at Release

General Criminality

- **Prior Involvement with CJS**
- **Prior Sentencing Occasions**
- **Community supervision violations**
- **Years free prior to index offence**
- **Prior violent offences**

A large group of people, mostly young men, are standing in many rows outdoors. They are all wearing bright yellow t-shirts. The word "SAMPLE" is written in large, white, bold, sans-serif capital letters across the center of the image, overlaid on a black rectangular background.

SAMPLE

Reoffending Definitions

Imminence: How soon?

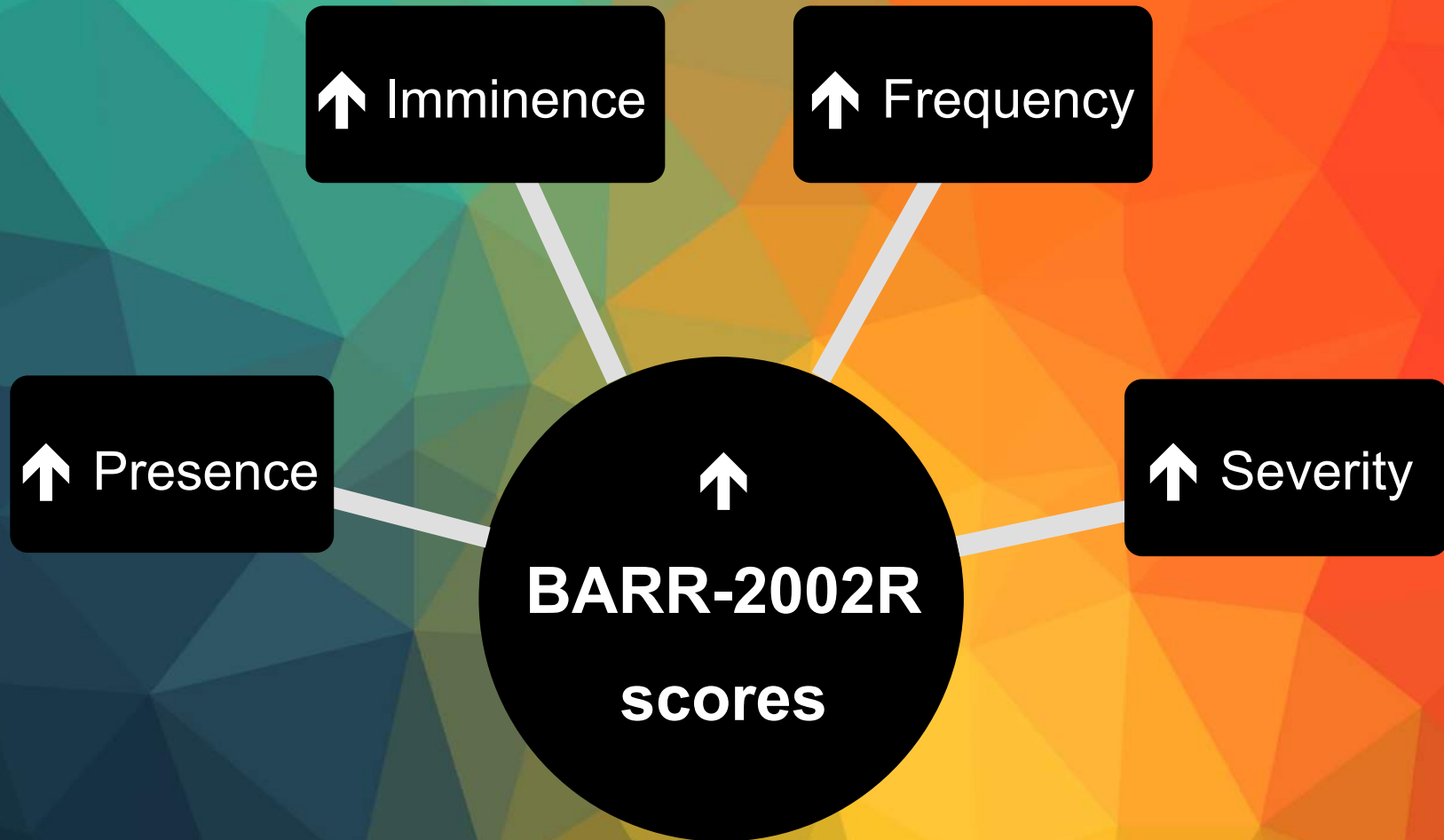
Frequency: How often?

Definitions

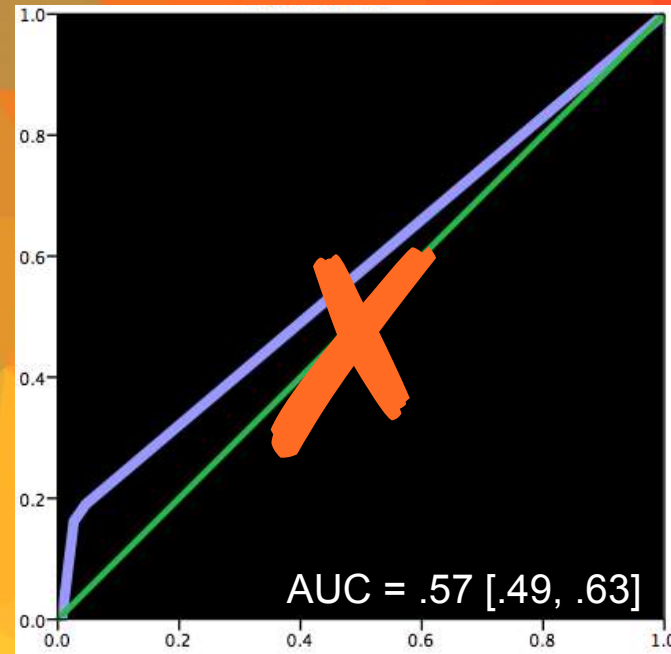
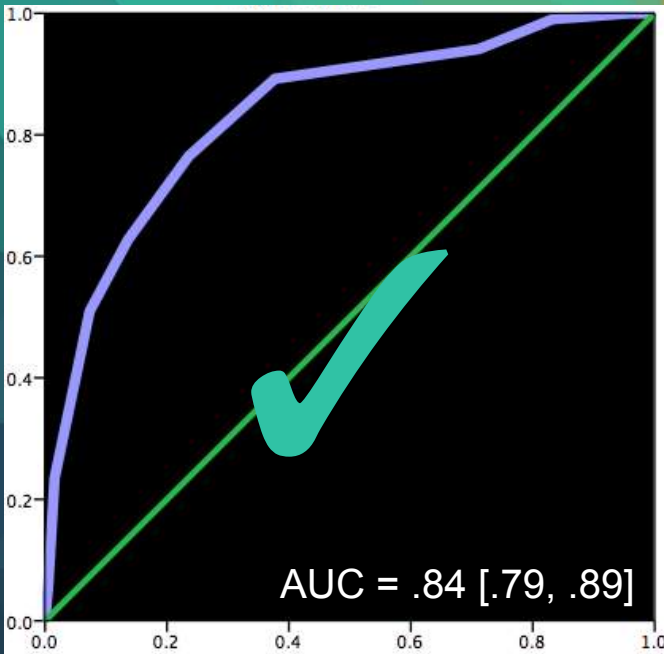
Presence: Do they reoffend?

Severity: How violently?

Hypotheses

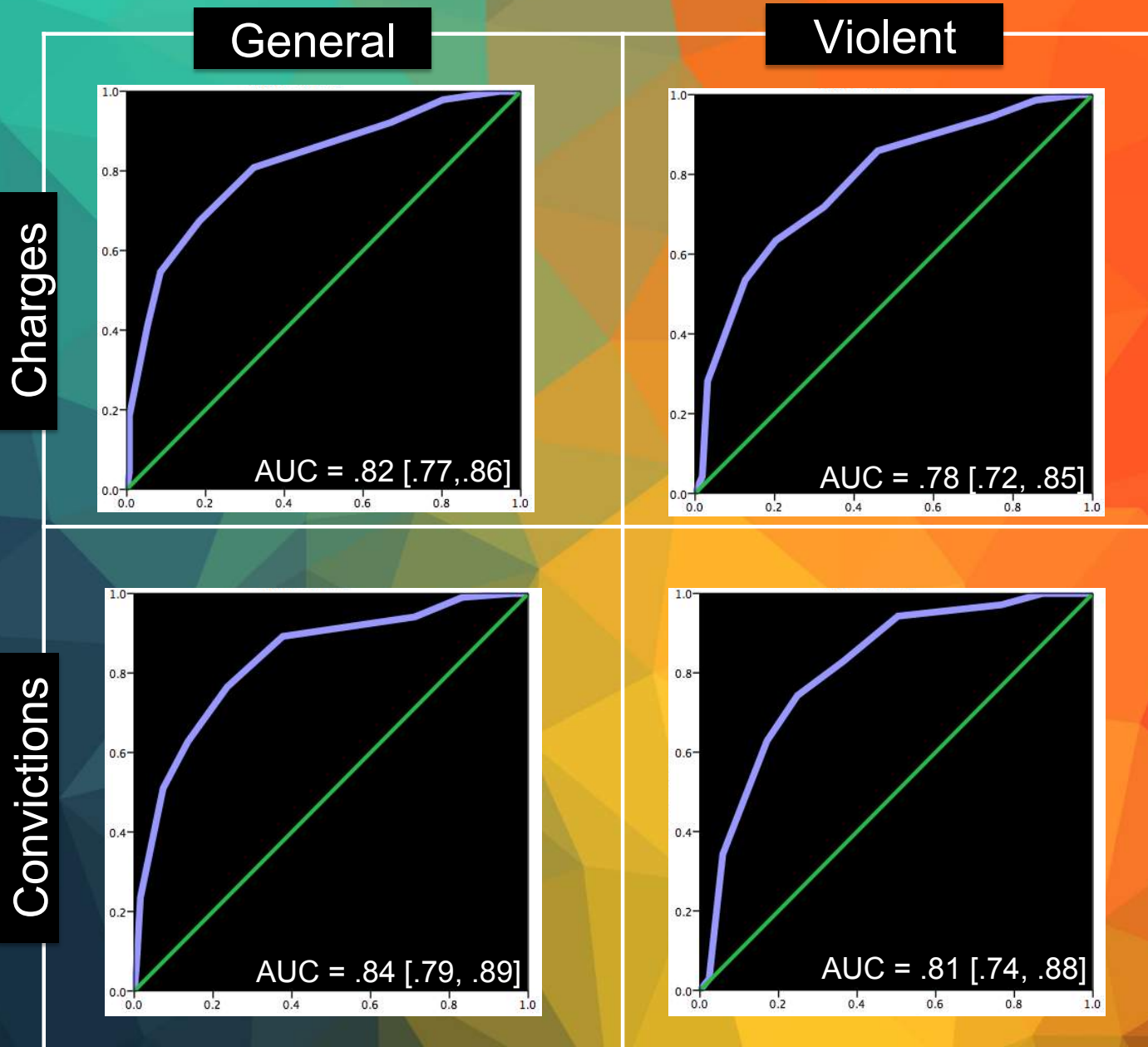


Statistics Primer



Area Under the Curve (AUC)

Results

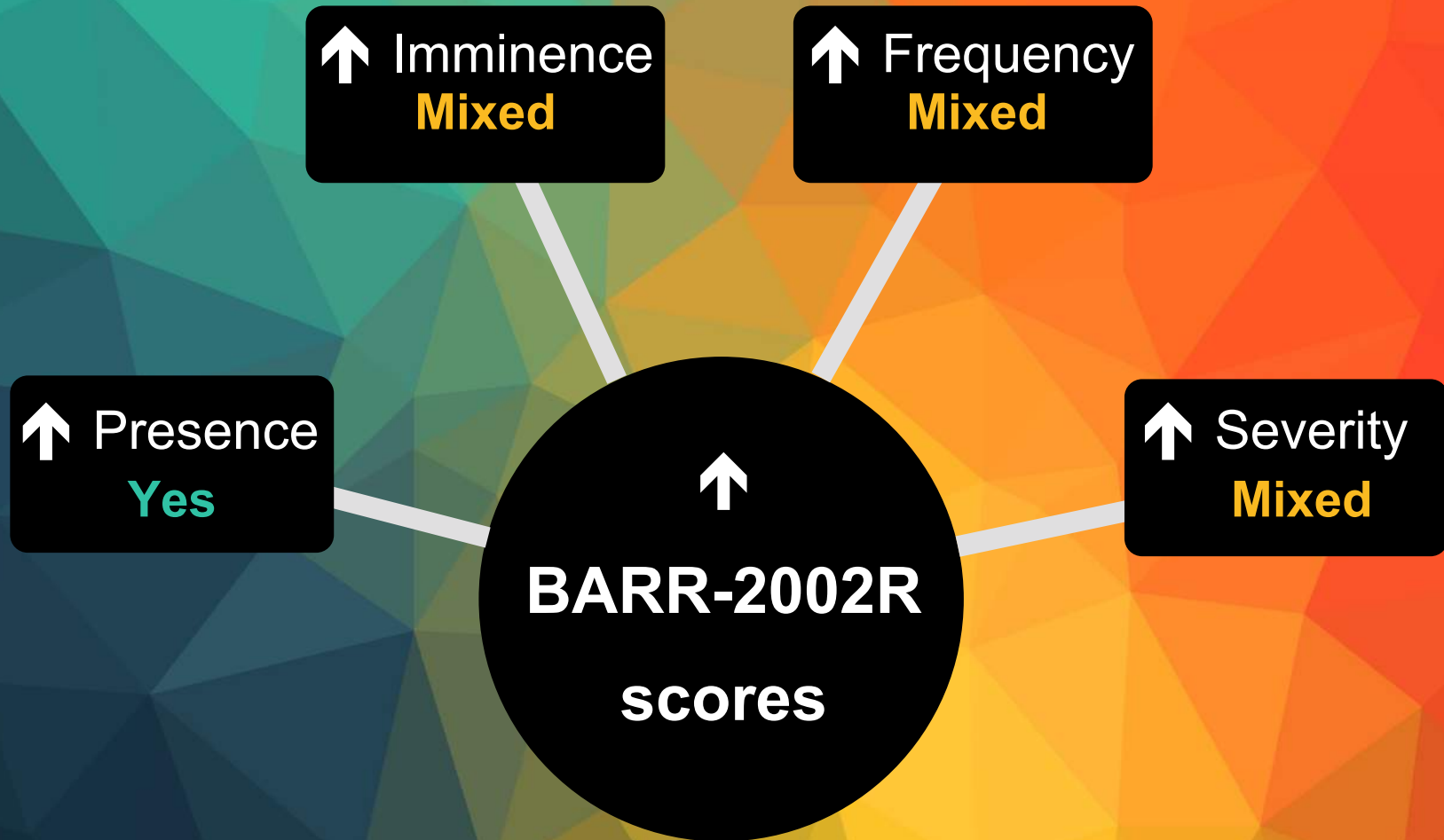


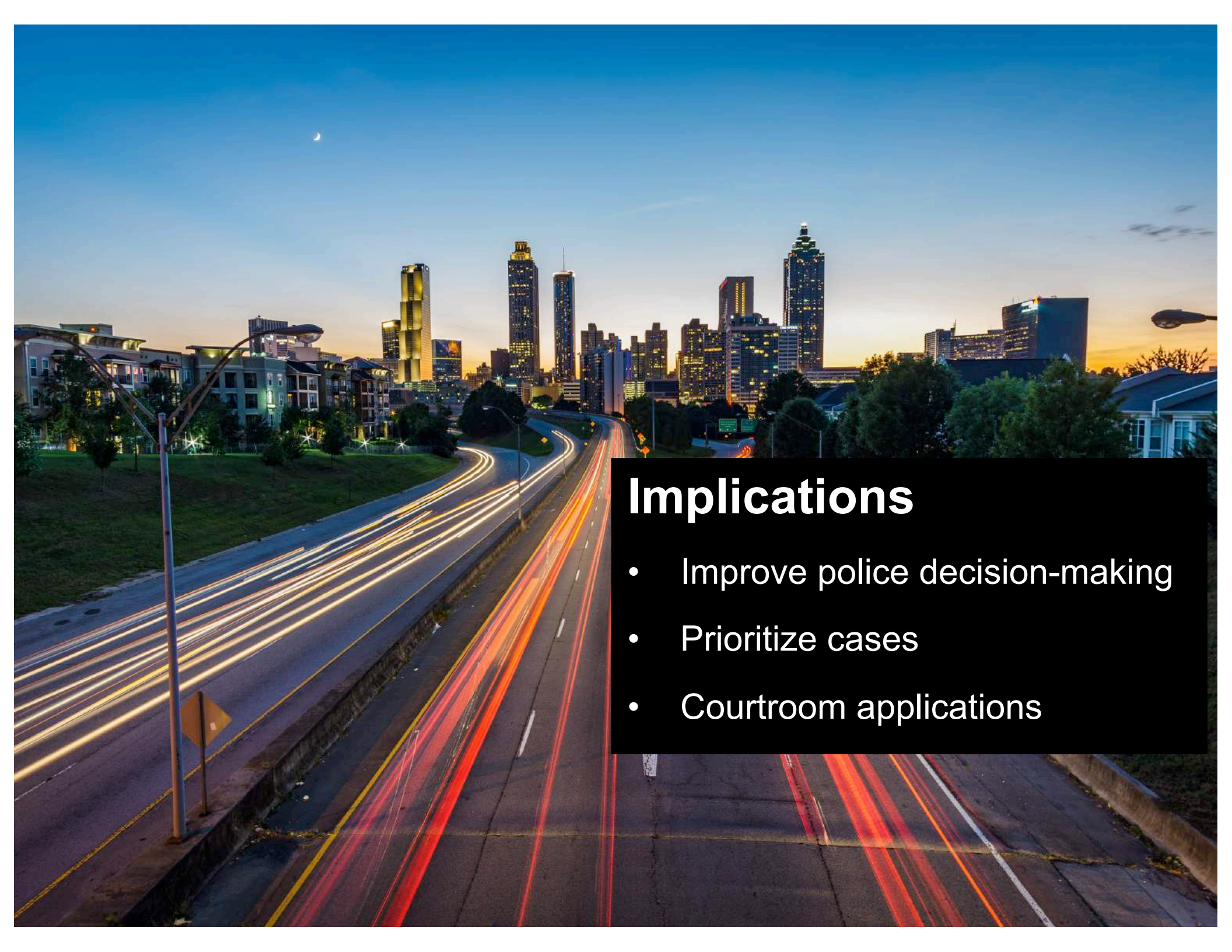
Confidence Interval: 95%

Results

	General		Violent	
	Charges	Convictions	Charges	Convictions
Imminence	✓ ($r = -.29$)	✗ ($r = -.17$)	✗ ($r = .07$)	✓ ($r = -.37$)
Frequency	✓	✓	✗	✓
Severity			✗	✗

Hypotheses Supported?





Implications

- Improve police decision-making
- Prioritize cases
- Courtroom applications



Limitations

- Crime is underreported
- Sample size
- Ethical considerations

A photograph of a person's legs from the knees down, wearing green pants and dark sneakers with white soles. They are standing on a wooden bench with horizontal slats. A black rectangular text box is overlaid on the left side of the image, containing the title and a bulleted list.

Strengths and Future Research

- Unconvicted sample
- Expands definition of reoffending
- Field research

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