

*How to reveal neuro-
computational mechanisms of
reinforcement learning &
decision-making?*

It is easy to do with the hBayesDM package

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Reinforcement Learning and Decision-Making (RLDM)

Computational modeling

- Individual differences
- Latent processes (& their time course)

Special Issue: Cognition in Neuropsychiatric Disorders

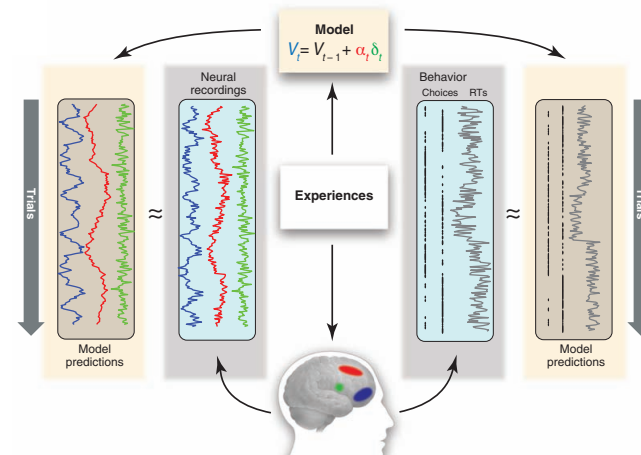
Computational psychiatry

P. Read Montague^{1,2}, Raymond J. Dolan², Karl J. Friston² and Peter Dayan³

Montague et al (2012) Trends in Cog Sci

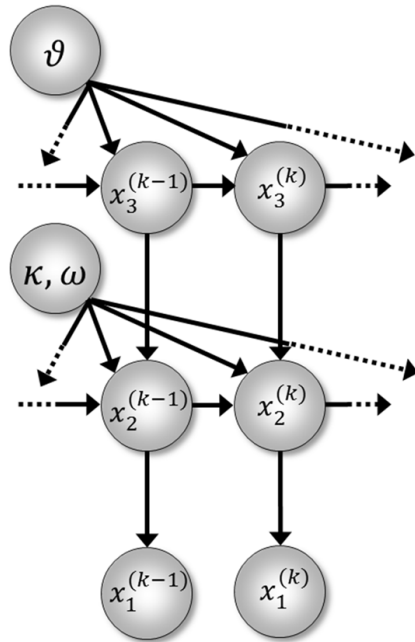
Model-based fMRI/EEG

e.g., Forstmann & Wagenmakers (2015); O'Doherty et al (2007)



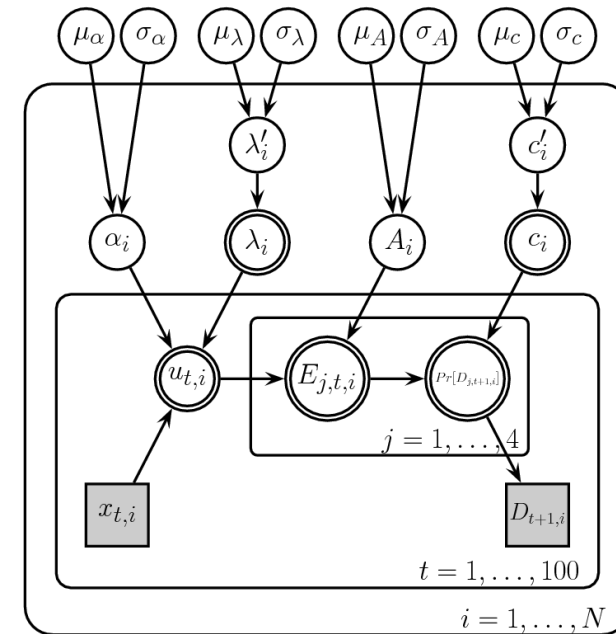
Behrens, Hunt, Rushworth (2009) Science

I like the idea of modeling



Mathys et al (2011) Frontiers

But...

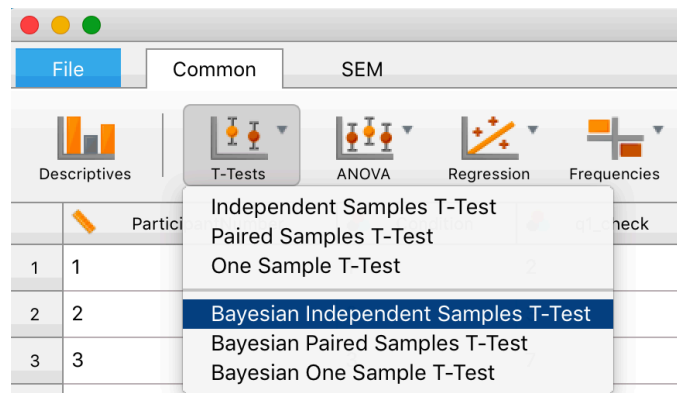


Ahn et al (2011) JNPE

Can we make it easy to do computational modeling?

Q) As easy as doing a T-test?

JASP, SPSS



R

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Console ~/Desktop/ ↗  
> t.test(group1, group2)
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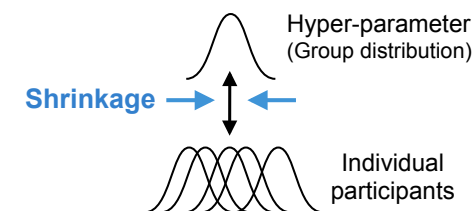
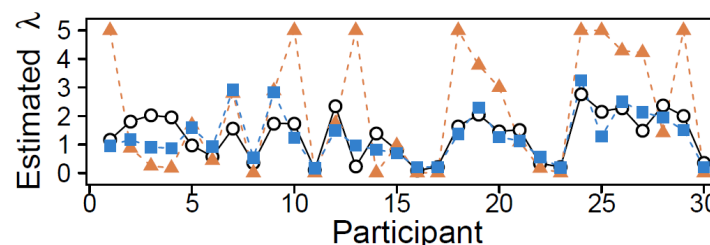
Several packages exist, but ...

Matze et al (2013) Frontiers; Wabersich & Vandekerckhove (2014); Wiecki et al (2013) Frontiers;
Daunizeau et al (2014) PLoS Comp Biol

***hBayesDM** (hierarchical Bayesian modeling of Decision-Making tasks) Package*

- Models for 8 tasks/paradigms (next slide)
- Single-line of coding in R
 - Model fitting, visualization, model comparisons
- Based on the advanced Bayesian software, Stan (<https://mc-stan.org>).
- Hierarchical Bayesian modeling

Simulation study
Hierarchical Bayesian ■
Maximum likelihood ▲
Actual values ○



Ahn et al (2011) JNPE

What tasks and models are available?

Ahn & Busemeyer (2016) Curr Opin Behav Sci

- Delay Discounting (e.g., Mazur, 1987)
- *Iowa Gambling* (Bechara et al, 1994)
- (Orthogonalized) Go/Nogo (Guitart-Masip et al, 2012)
- *Two-choice Bandit (Experience-based) including Reversal Learning* (e.g., Erev et al, 2010)
- *Two-choice Description-based*
(e.g., Sokol-Hessner et al, 2009; Tom et al, 2007)
- *Ultimatum Game* (e.g., Xiang et al, 2013)
- **Two-Step* (Daw et al, 2011)

**Version 0.4.0. or later*

How can I use it?

Tutorials available at

<http://rpubs.com/CCSL/hBayesDM>

(you can find it by Googling 'hBayesDM')

Install it just like other R packages

```
install.packages("hBayesDM", dependencies=TRUE)
```

```
devtools::install_github("CCS-Lab/hBayesDM")
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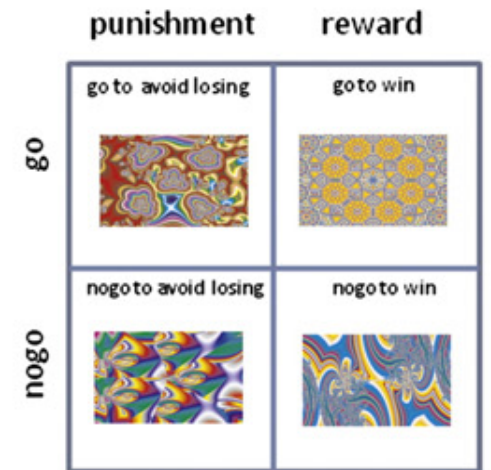

Brief step-by-step tutorials

1. *Prepare raw (trial-by-trial) data*
2. *Fit candidate models*
3. *Plot (visualize) and inspect model parameters*
4. *Compare models (if there exist competing models)*

The Orthogonalized Go/Nogo task

- gng_m1
- gng_m2
- gng_m3
- gng_m4

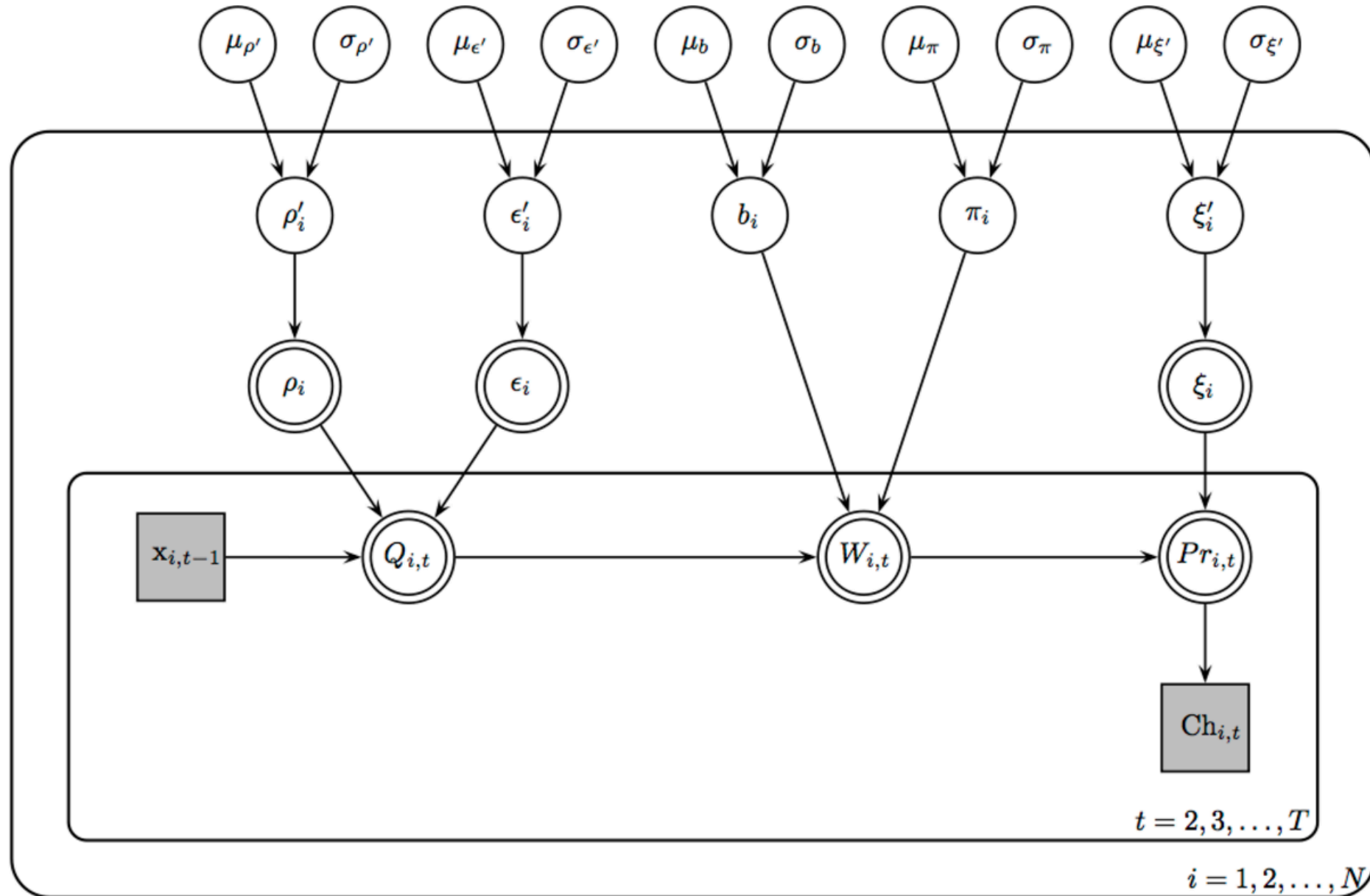
[Guitart-Masip et al, 2012 Neuroimage](#)
[Cavanagh et al, 2013 J Neuro](#)



1. *Prepare raw (trial-by-trial) data as a single text file*

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1	trialNum	cue	keyPressed	success	congruentOutcome	outcome	subjID
2	1	1	1	1	2	0	1
3	2	2	0	1	1	1	1
4	3	4	0	1	1	0	1
5	4	4	1	0	1	-1	1
6	5	4	0	1	1	0	1
7	6	1	1	1	1	1	1
8	7	3	0	0	1	-1	1
9	8	1	1	1	1	1	1
10	9	3	1	1	1	0	1
11	10	3	0	0	1	-1	1
12	11	4	0	1	1	0	1
13	12	4	0	1	1	0	1
14	13	4	0	1	1	0	1

2. Fit candidate models



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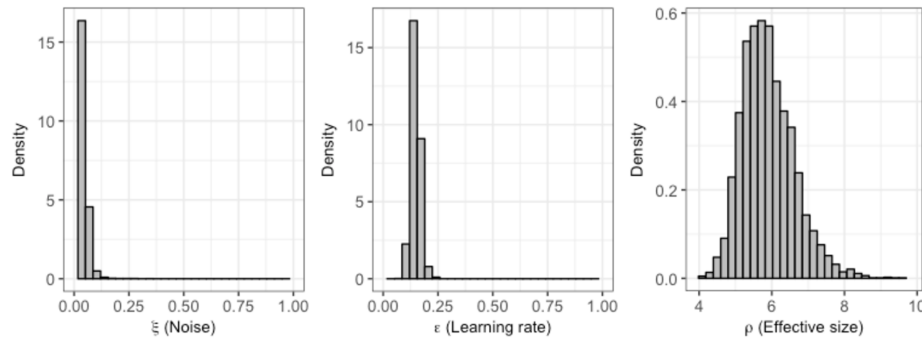
```
output1 = gng_m1(data="example", niter=2000, nwarmup=1000, nchain=4, ncore=4)
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output1 = gng_m1("example", ncore=4)
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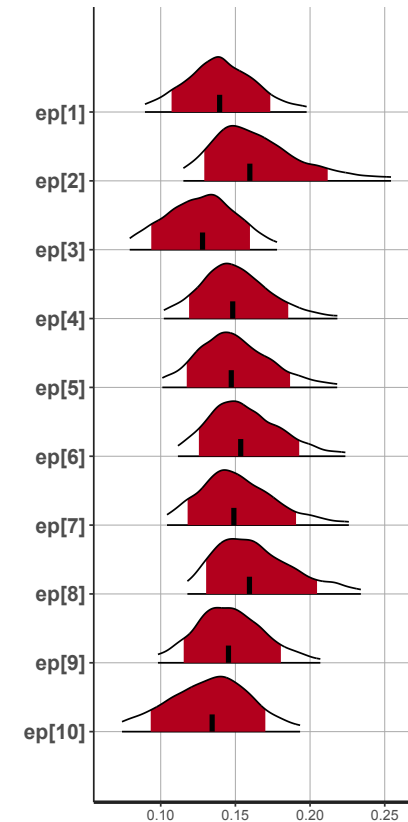
```
output1 = gng_m1()
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3. Plot (visualize) and inspect model parameters

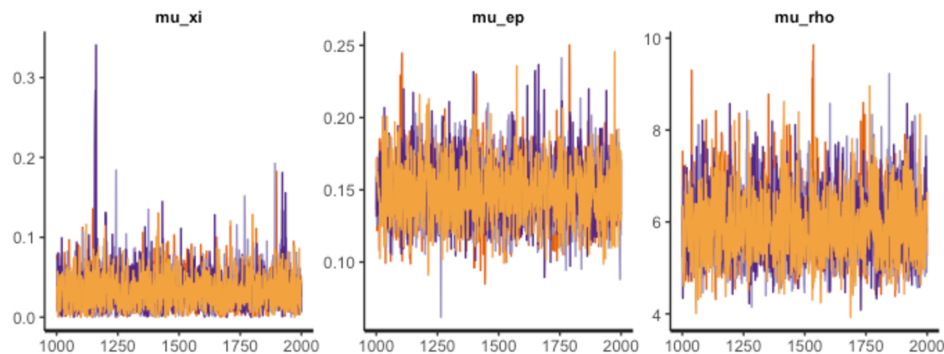
```
plot(output1)
```



```
plotInd(output1, "ep")
```



```
plot(output1, type="trace", fontSize=11)
```



4. Bayesian model comparisons

[Vehtari et al. \(2016\)](#)

Leave-One-Out Information Criterion (LOOIC) - default

Widely Applicable Information Criterion (WAIC)

```
> printFit(output1, output2, output3, output4)
  Model      LOOIC
1 gng_m1 1588.843
2 gng_m2 1571.129
3 gng_m3 1573.872
4 gng_m4 1543.335
```

Model #4 is the best model
(in terms of LOOIC)

More features!

- Bayesian group comparisons
- *Model-based regressors (e.g., trial-by-trial prediction errors) for model-based fMRI/EEG
- More tasks / models!

*I don't have much quantitative background,
can I still do computational modeling?*

Yes! Please check our tutorials/poster @
<http://rpubs.com/CCSL/hBayesDM>

GitHub: <https://github.com/CCS-Lab/hBayesDM>

Can I add more models? Can you add more features? Can I contribute?

Yes! hBayesDM is also for experts. It is a work in progress. Please let us know if you have or need cool models!

Thank you!



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