

# Calibrating the Sick-Sicker model

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A walkthrough of the code could be found in the following link: - <https://darth-git.github.io/calibSMDM2018-materials/>

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rm(list = ls())      # clear memory (removes all the variables from the workspace)
```

## 00 Calibration Specifications

Model: Sick-Sicker 4-state Markov Model

Inputs to be calibrated: `p_S1S2`, `hr_S1`, `hr_S2`

Targets: Surv, Prev, PropSick

Calibration method:

Goodness-of-fit measure: Sum of Log-Likelihood

## 01 Load packages

```
if (!require('pacman')) install.packages('pacman'); library(pacman) # use this package to conveniently  
# load (install if required) packages from CRAN  
p_load("lhs", "plotrix", "psych", "scatterplot3d")  
# install_github("DARTH-git/darthtools", force = TRUE) Uncomment if there is a newer version  
p_load_gh("DARTH-git/darthtools")
```

## 02 Load target data

```
# your turn
```

## 03 Load model as a function

```
# - inputs are parameters to be estimated through calibration  
# - outputs correspond to the target data  
  
# your turn
```

## 04 Specify calibration parameters

```
# your turn
```

## 05 Calibrate!

*# your turn*

## 06 Exploring best-fitting input sets

*# your turn*