

# R you *seriously* still using Excel? The many advantages of open source decision modelling in efficient programming languages

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I'm a professor of Statistics & Health Economics at University College London. And the coach of my son's 5-a-side team -- in the Champion's League in 3 years.

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## Mission

R for Health Technology Assessment (HTA) is an academic consortium whose main objective is to explore the use of R for cost-effectiveness analysis (CEA) as an alternative to less efficient, generalisable and powerful software such as spreadsheets. R is a freely available language and environment for statistical computing and graphics which provides a wide variety of statistical and graphical techniques. We advocate the use of proper statistical software, notably R, to be used in the whole process of health economic evaluation.



General topics of interest include a wide range of technical aspects, e.g. the discussion of the many available R [add-on packages](#), as well as ways to help users get the most out of R for CEA. [Presentations](#) and public discussions are used to address the computational and transparency advantages of R over Excel for CEA and for easing collaboration. Our members have diverse experience in government (including [NICE](#) in the UK), academia, and industry.

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Nov 10, 2020

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More talks uploaded on our website ([r-hta.org/talks](https://r-hta.org/talks)) from our R-HTA workshop. Keep 'em coming speakers! :-)

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### HACKATHONS

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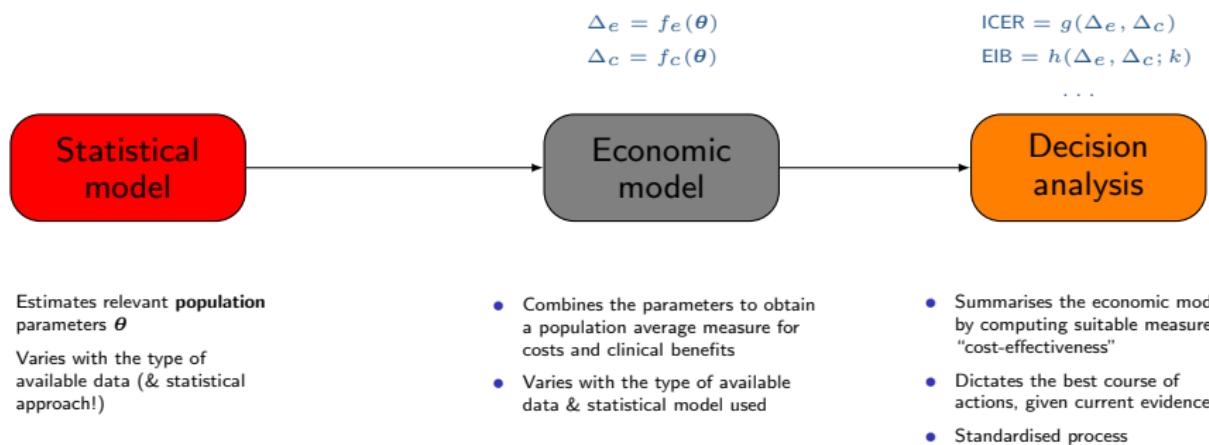
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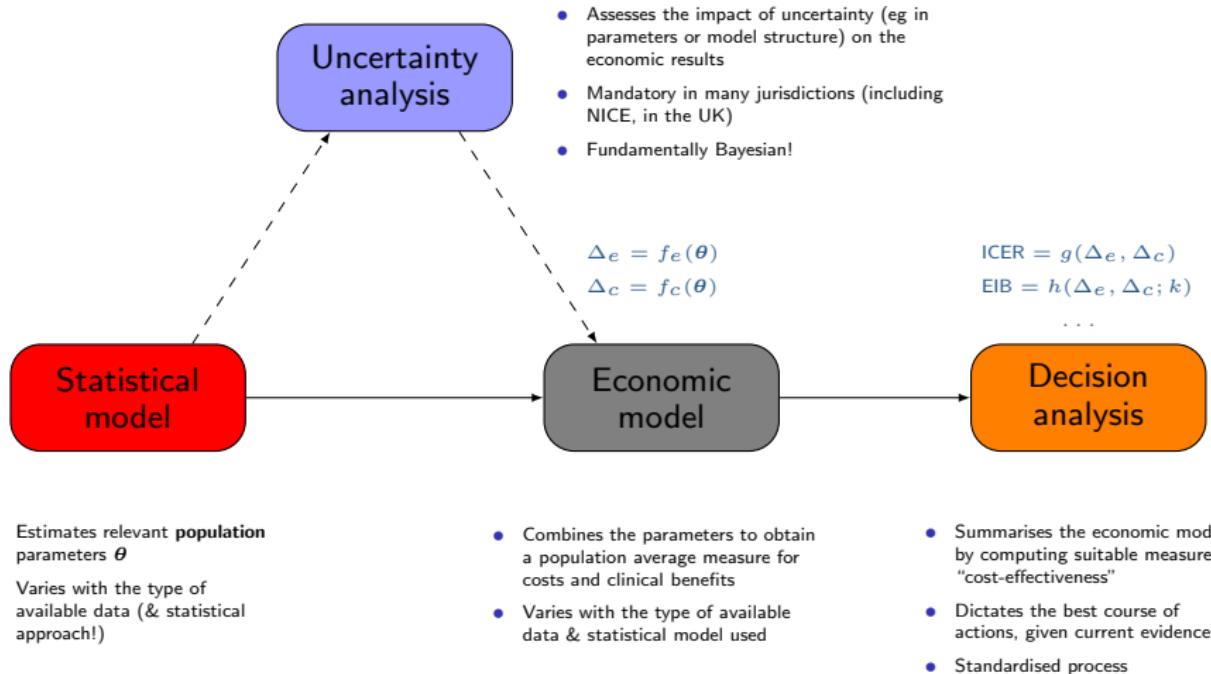
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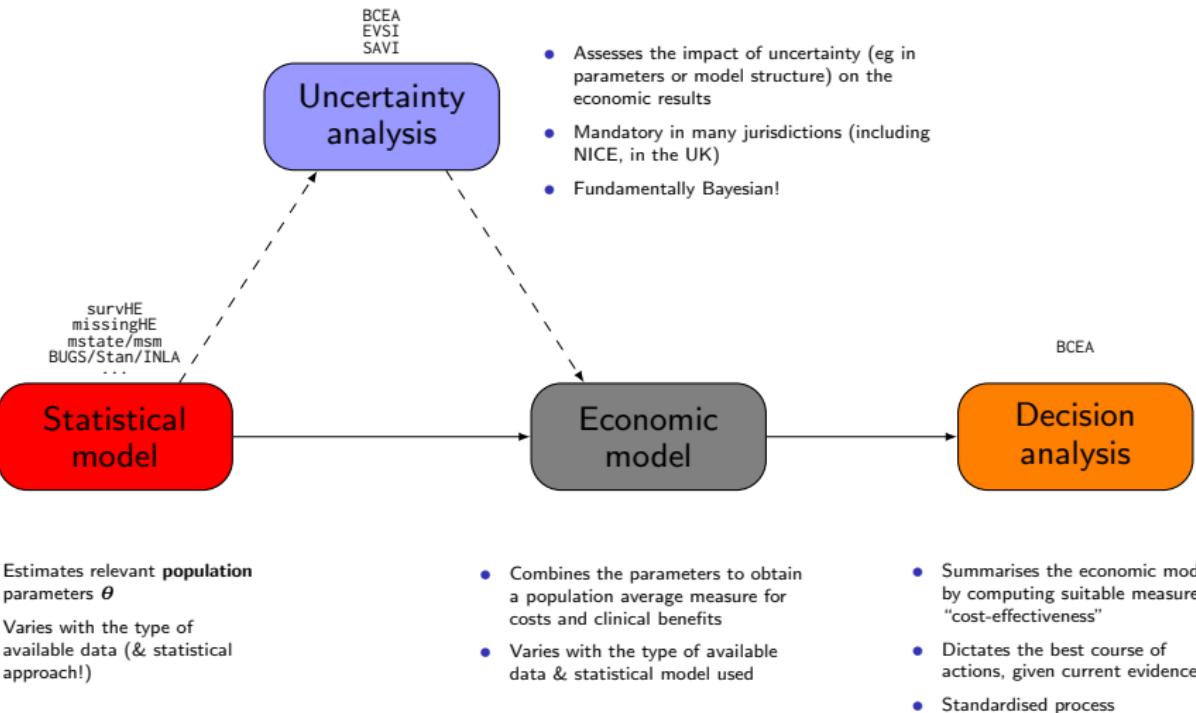
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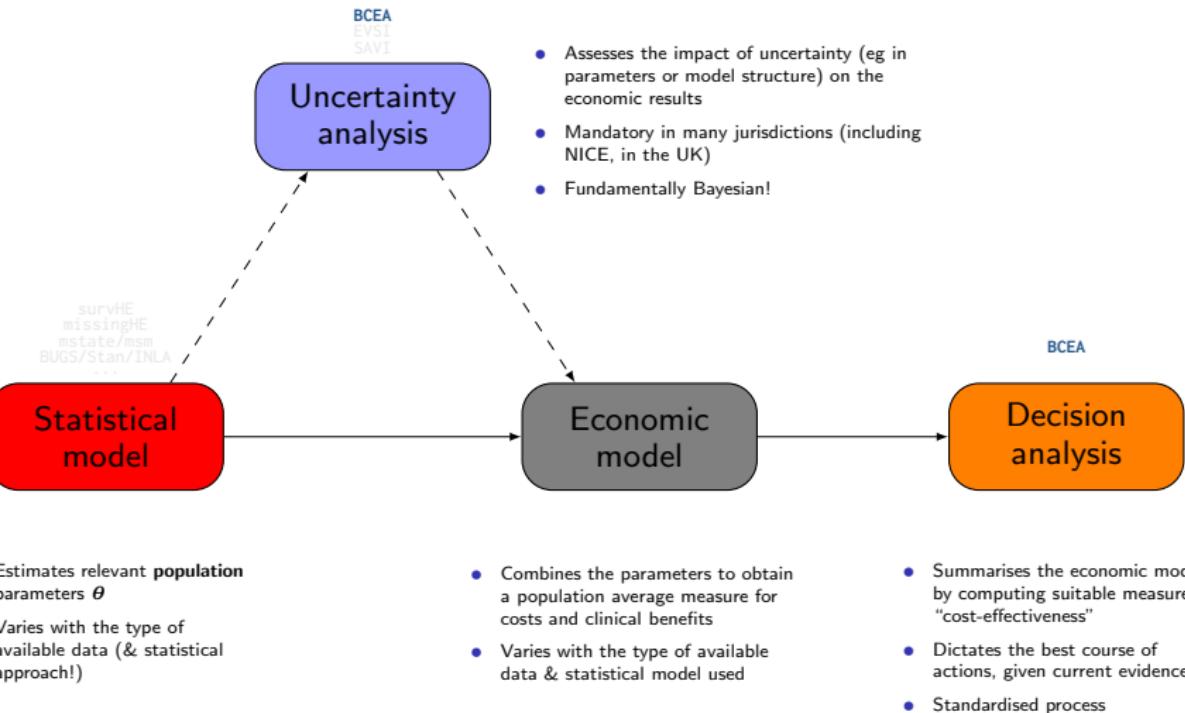
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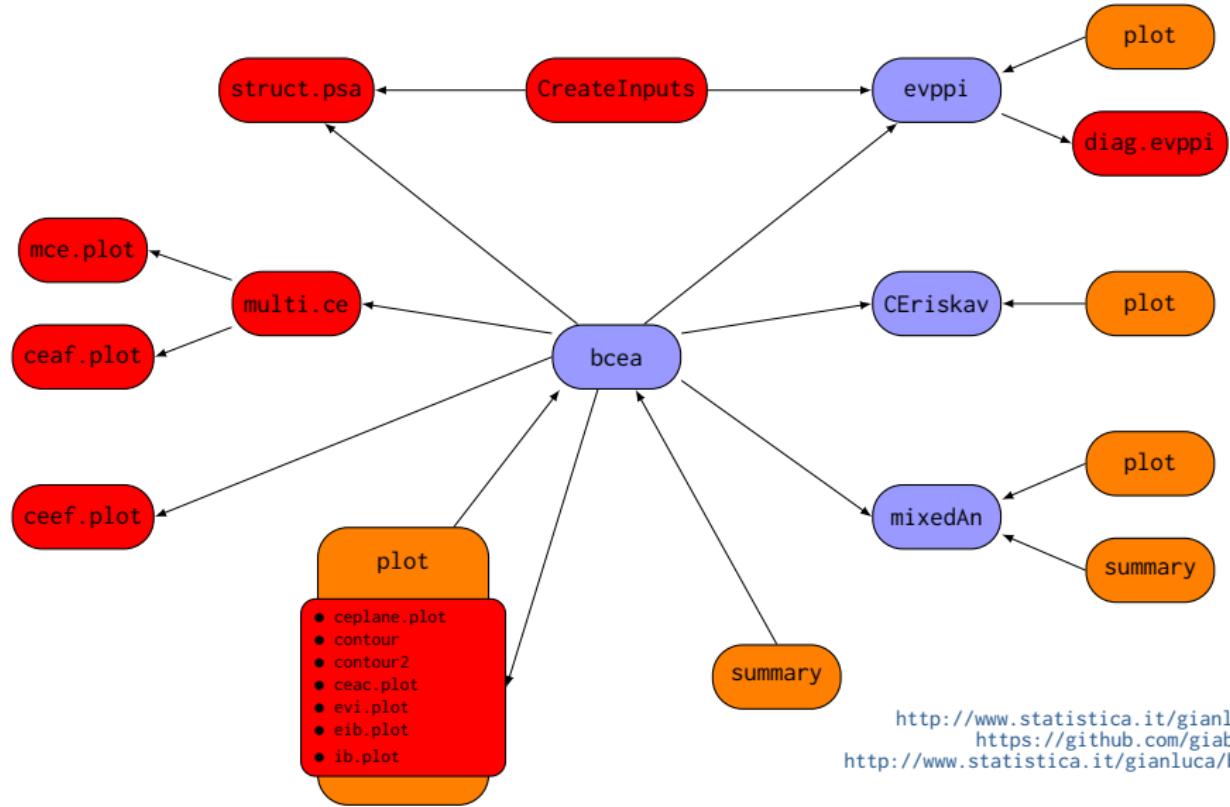
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## ③ Standardised reporting

- Graphical tools (use **excellent** R facilities)

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# BCEA: a R package for Bayesian cost-effectiveness analysis



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# How does BCEA work?

Model inputs ("PSA simulations")

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	AA		
1	Adverse events	Death_1	Death_2	Death_3	Death_4	GP_1	GP_2	GP_3	GP_4	Hospital_1	Hospital_2	Hospital_3	Hospital_4	Infected_1	Infected_2	Infected_3	Infected_4	Mild_Comp_1	Mild_Comp_2	Mild_Comp_3	Mild_Comp_4	Pneumonia_1	Pneumonia_2	Pneumonia_3	Pneumonia_4	Repeat_GP_1	Repeat_C		
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Model inputs ("PSA simulations")

```
# Loads BCEA into the R workspace
> library(BCEA)

# Loads the PSA data from the R object "Vaccine"
> data(Vaccine)

# Uses BCEA to create suitable input
> inp = CreateInputs(vaccine)

# Shows the first few rows of the PSA matrix
> head(inp$mat)

  Adverse.events Death.1.1. Death.2.1. Death.2.2. GP.1.1. GP.2.1. GP.2.2. Hospital.1.1.
1          1466        1        0        0    1664     958    230        0
2          5329        1        1        0   1414     748    276        0
3          5203        1        1        0     809     489     80        0
4          2351        2        0        0   1761    1157    261        1
5          8303        1        2        0   2472     964    432        1
6          3607        1        1        0   2224    1342    260        1
  Hospital.2.1. Hospital.2.2. Infected.1.1. Infected.2.1. Infected.2.2. Mild.Compl.1.1.
1            1        0      5992      3401      876     691
2            0        1      7471      4024     1536     570
3            0        0      6718      4300      788     332
4            0        0      4837      3269      702     739
5            1        0      4749      1894      846    1049
6            0        0      4938      2976      596     915
...
(many more rows & variables!)
```

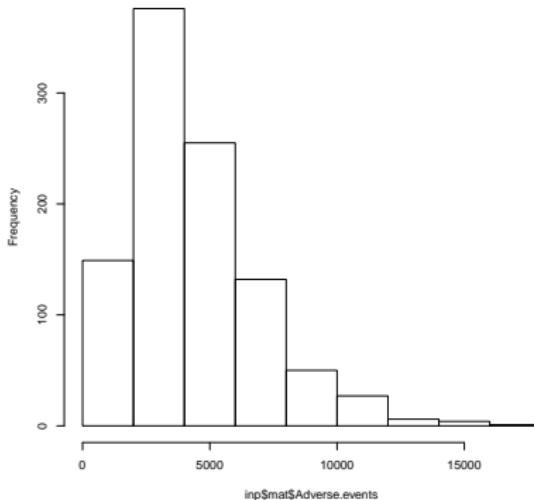
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# Checks that the intended PSA distribution gives meaningful results
> hist(inp$mat$Adverse.events)
```

Histogram of inp\$mat\$Adverse.events



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## Economic model

```
# Combines the model parameters to determine costs & effectiveness
> QALYs.inf <- QALYs.pne <- QALYs.hosp <- QALYs.adv <- QALYs.death <- matrix(0,n.sims,2)
> for (t in 1:2) {
  QALYs.inf[,t] = ((Infected[,t,1] + Infected[,t,2])*omega[,1]/365)/N
  QALYs.pne[,t] = ((Pneumonia[,t,1] + Pneumonia[,t,2])*omega[,4]/365)/N
  QALYs.hosp[,t] = ((Hospital[,t,1] + Hospital[,t,2])*omega[,5]/365)/N
  QALYs.death[,t] = ((Death[,t,1] + Death[,t,2])*omega[,6])/N
}
> QALYs.adv[,2] = (Adverse.events*omega[,7]/365)/N

> e = -(QALYs.inf + QALYs.pne + QALYs.adv + QALYs.hosp + QALYs.death)
> ...
```

```
# Displays the first few row of the matrix for (e,c) in the two treatment arms
> head(cbind(e,c))
```

	Status Quo	Vaccination	Status Quo	Vaccination
[1,]	-0.0010466668	-0.0008986026	10.409146	16.252537
[2,]	-0.0008836105	-0.0007320416	5.834875	9.373437
[3,]	-0.0008898137	-0.0006975327	5.784903	15.935623
[4,]	-0.0016430238	-0.0011393237	12.208484	18.654250
[5,]	-0.0013518841	-0.0009574948	9.786787	16.467321
[6,]	-0.0014325715	-0.0009358231	6.560276	9.689887

...

(many more rows!)

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## Decision analysis

```
# Uses BCEA to perform the decision analysis
> m = bcea(e,c,ref=2,interventions=c("Status Quo","Vaccination"),...)
```

```
# Summarises the results
> summary(m)

Cost-effectiveness analysis summary

Reference intervention: Vaccination
Comparator intervention: Status Quo

Optimal decision: choose Status Quo for k<20100 and Vaccination for k>=20100

Analysis for willingness to pay parameter k = 25000

      Expected utility
Status Quo          -36.054
Vaccination        -34.826

          EIB   CEAC   ICER
Vaccination vs Status Quo 1.2284 0.529 20098

Optimal intervention (max expected utility) for k=25000: Vaccination

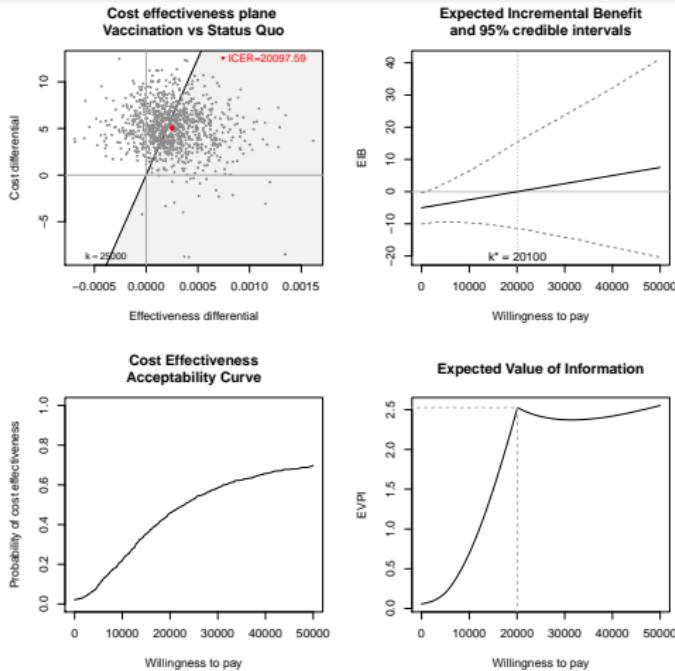
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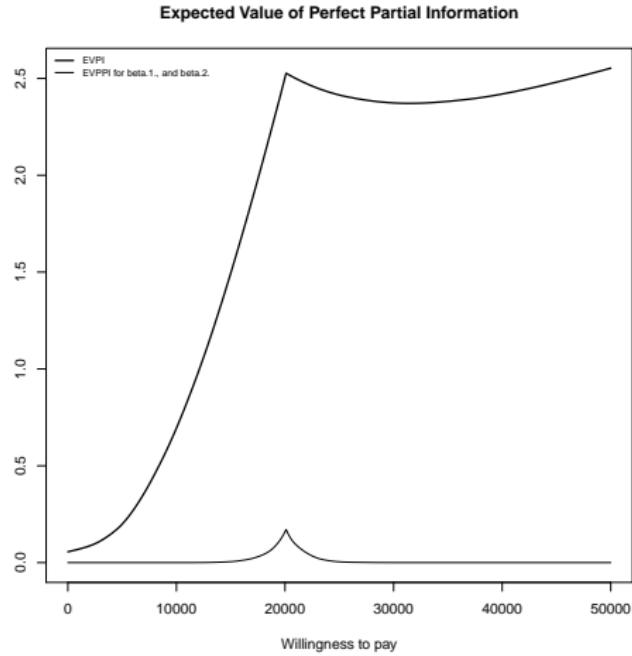
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```
# Plots the results  
> plot(m)
```



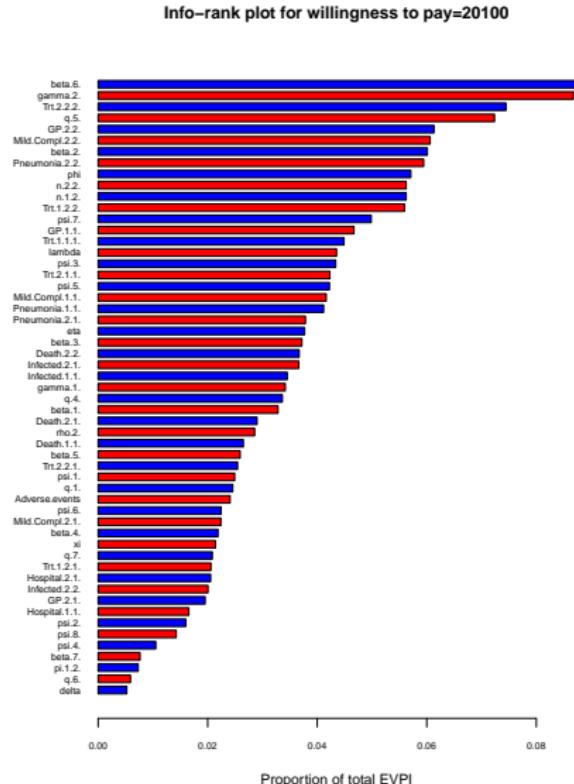
```
# Makes the analysis of the Expected Value of Partial Perfect Information  
> x = evppi(c("beta.1.", "beta.2."), inp$mat, m)  
  
# Plots the outcome  
> plot(x)
```



# How does BCEA work?

Advanced analyses

```
# Summarises uncertainty in the decision making process by means of the "Info Rank" plot  
info.rank(inp$parameters,inp$mat,m)
```



# A small step towards the “R-HTA–verse” ...

<https://github.com/giabaio/BCEA/tree/dev>

## BCEA --- development version



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### Overview

Perform Bayesian Cost-Effectiveness Analysis in R. Given the results of a Bayesian model (possibly based on MCMC) in the form of simulations from the posterior distributions of suitable variables of costs and clinical benefits for two or more interventions, produces a health economic evaluation. Compares one of the interventions (the "reference") to the others ("comparators").

### Features

Main features of `BCEA` include:

- Summary statistics and tables
- Cost-effectiveness analysis plots, such as CE planes and CEAC
- EVPI calculations and plots

This is the **development** version of BCEA (currently 2.4). It contains a major refactoring of the code to streamline the functions.

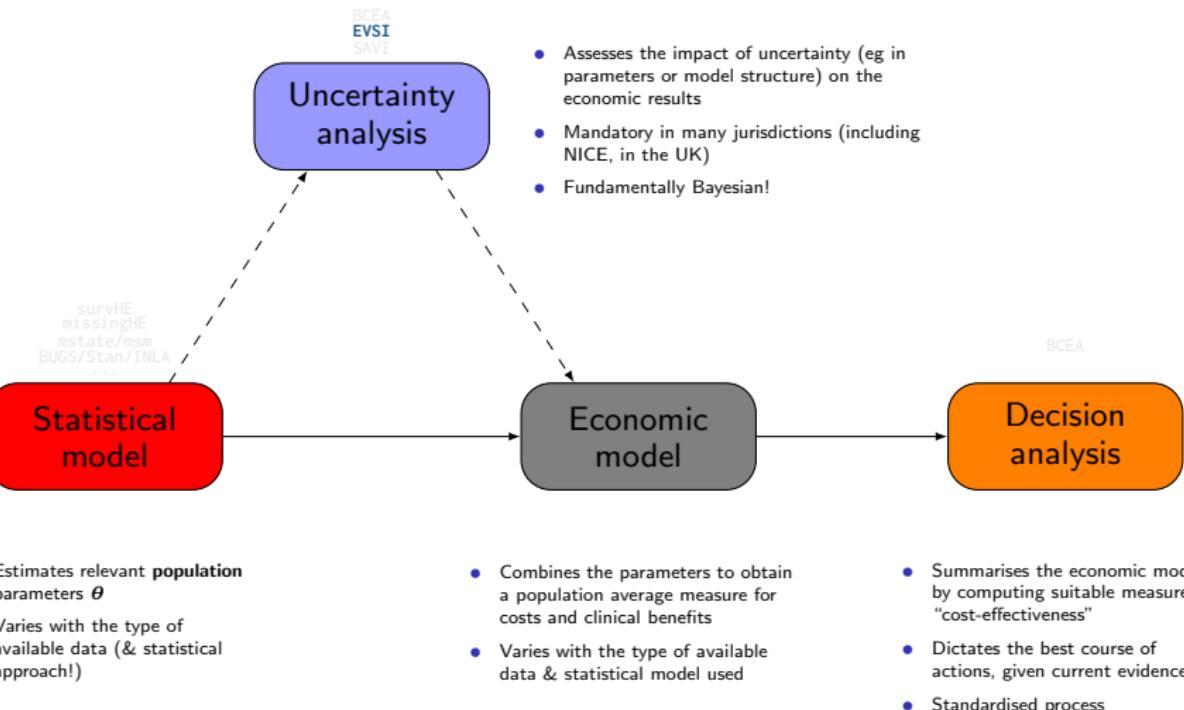
### Installation

The development version can be installed using this GitHub repository. On Windows machines, you need to install a few dependencies, including `Rtools` first, e.g. by running

```
WINEPREFIX=$HOME/.BCEA_RTOOLS R CMD INSTALL --no-vignettes
```

# Health technology assessment (HTA)

For each module, we may need/use different/specific packages!



## Vol: Basic idea

- A new study will provide new data
  - Reducing (or even eliminating) uncertainty in a subset of model parameters
- Update the cost-effectiveness model
  - If the optimal decision changes, gain in monetary net benefit (NB = utility) from using new optimal treatment
  - If optimal decision unchanged, no gain in NB
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## ① Expected Value of Perfect Information (EVPI)

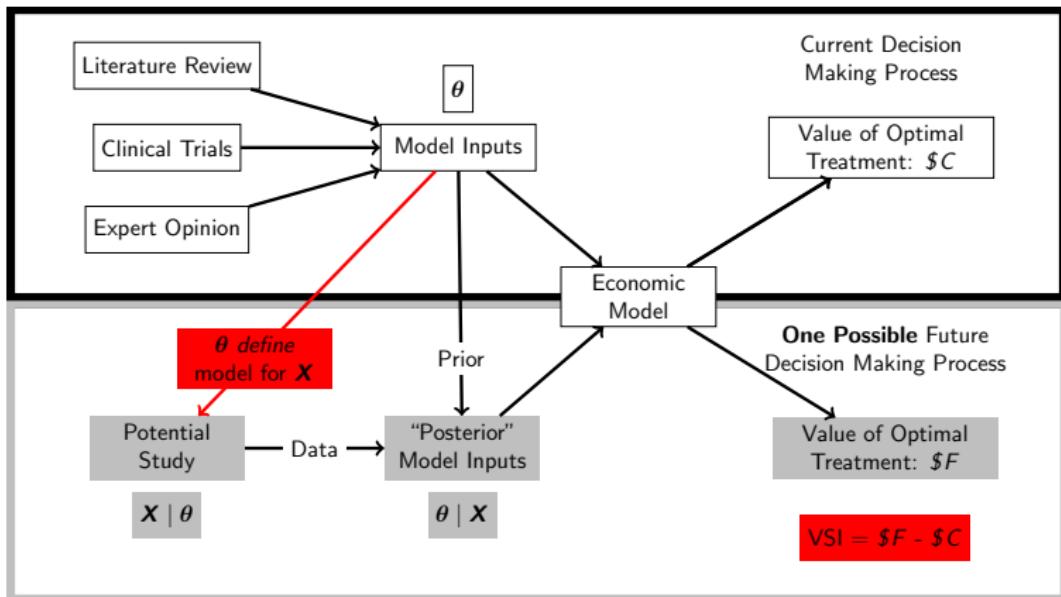
- Value of completely resolving uncertainty in all input parameters to decision model
- Infinite-sized long-term follow-up trial measuring everything!
- Gives an upper-bound on the value of new study — if EVPI is low, suggests we can make our decision based on existing information

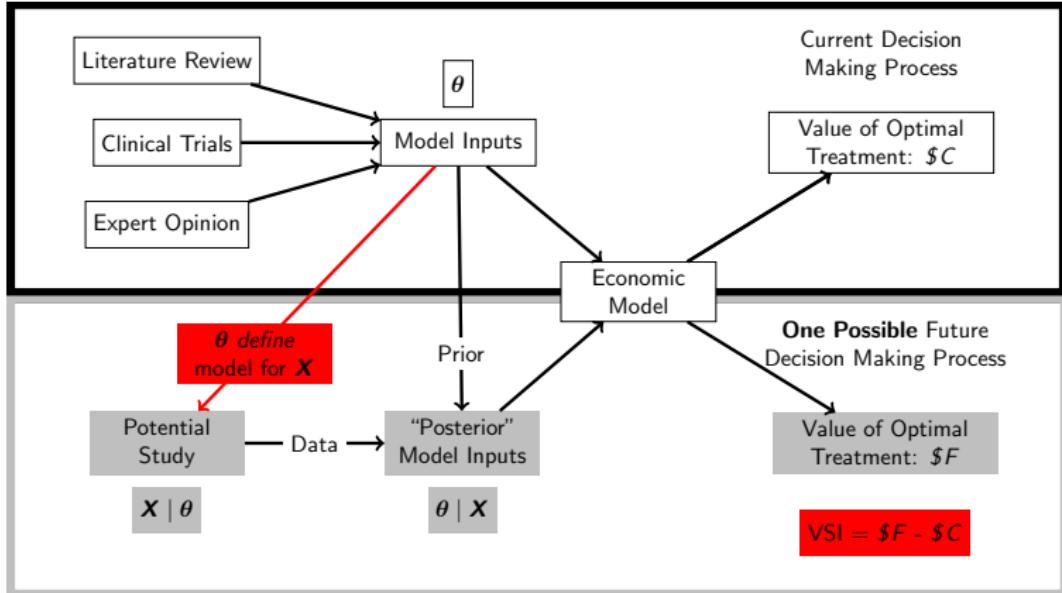
## ② Expected Value of Partial Perfect Information (EVPPPI)

- Value of eliminating uncertainty in subset of input parameters to decision model
- Infinite-sized trial measuring relative effects on 1-year survival
- Useful to identify which parameters responsible for decision uncertainty

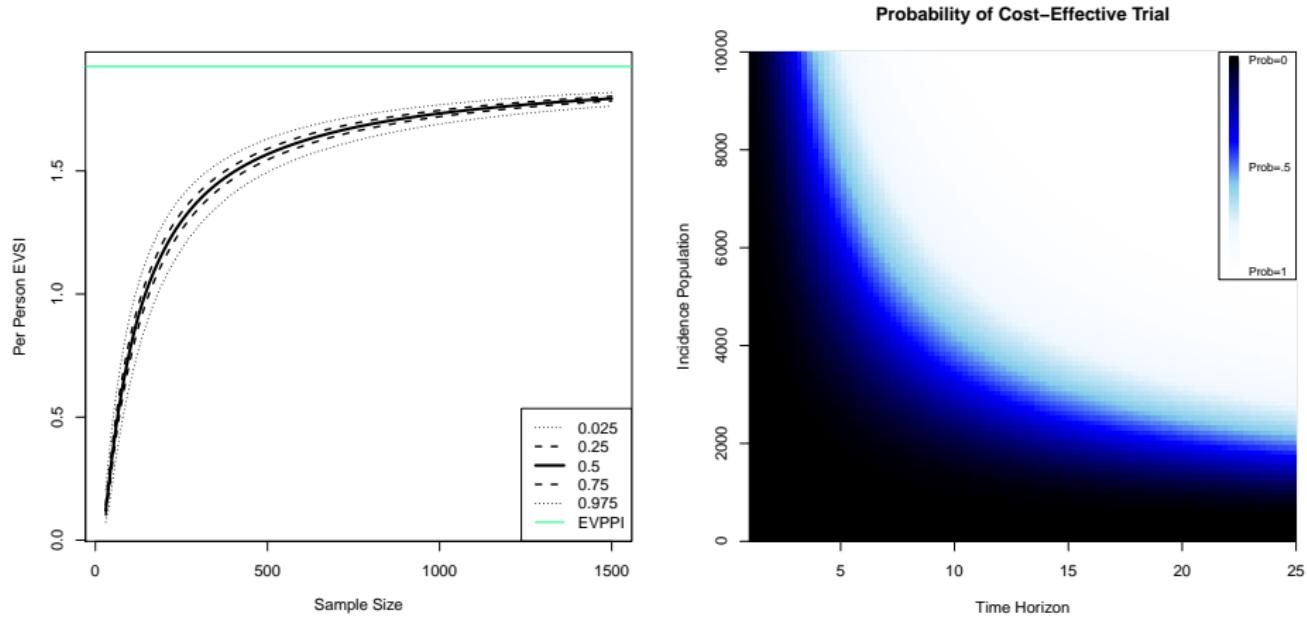
## ③ Expected Value of Sample Information (EVSI)

- Value of reducing uncertainty by conducting a study of given design
- Can compare the benefits and costs of a study with given design
- Is the proposed study likely to be a good use of resources? What is the optimal design?





- The package EVSI can be used (with some knowledge of Bayesian modelling) to estimate the value of effectively any study design in reducing uncertainty in the corresponding decision-making process
  - Sample size calculations/study design
  - Research prioritisation



<https://github.com/giabaio/EVSI>

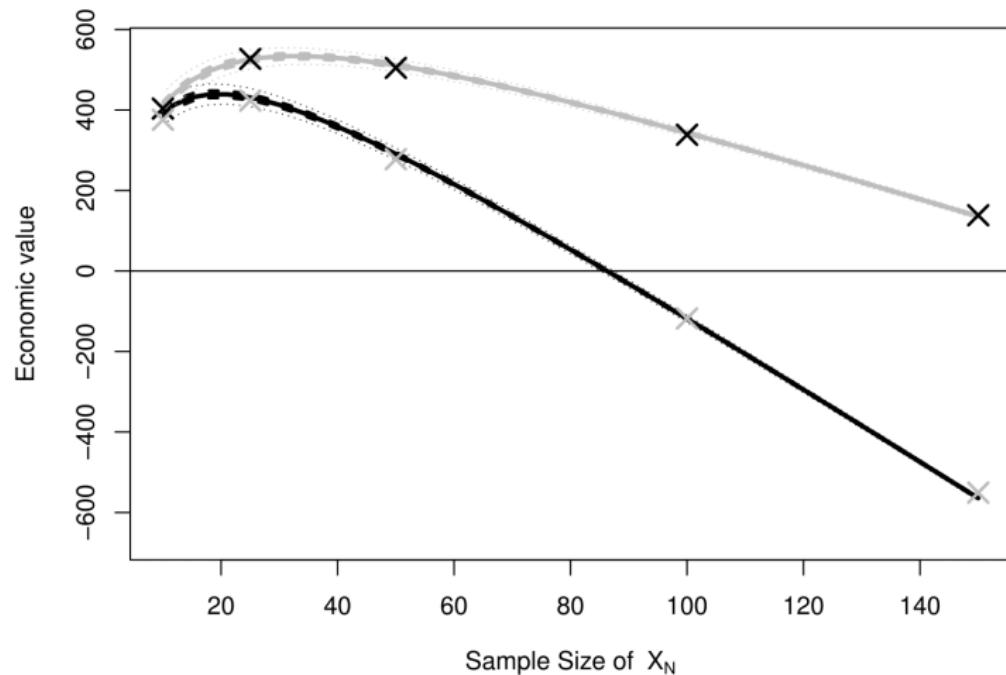
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# SAVI - Sheffield Accelerated Value of Information



Release version 2.0.10 (2015-09-24)

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## What SAVI does

Using **only** PSA results from your model

In a matter of seconds from the SAVI online application you can generate:

1. Standardised assessment of uncertainty (C-E planes and CEACs)
2. Overall EVPI per patient, per jurisdiction per year and over your decision relevance horizon
3. Expected Value of Perfect Parameter Information (EVPII) for single and groups of parameters

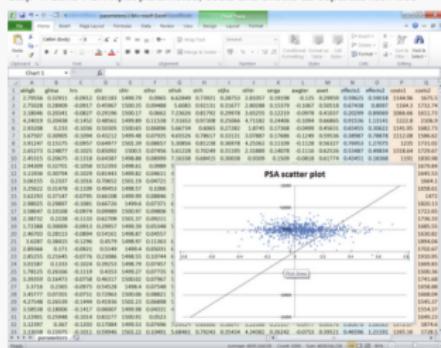
For individual-level simulation models you only need to simulate a small number of individuals per PSA sample. See the "About your model" tab.

**Disclaimer:** This application is based on peer-reviewed statistical approximation methods. It comes with no warranty and should be utilised at the user's own risk ([see here](#)). The underlying code is made available under the [BSD 3-clause license](#).

For more information on the method see [Mark Strong's website](#) or [this paper](#).

The SAVI process has 4 steps (using the TABS from left to right)

Step 1: Save PSA input parametes, costs and effects as separate .csv files



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Send a blank email to [savi@sheffield.ac.uk](mailto:savi@sheffield.ac.uk)

We won't share your email address with anyone.

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## News

SAVI is now available as an R package, allowing you to run SAVI directly on your own machine. You can download instructions [here](#).

## Known issues

Sometimes SAVI will either not load, or will hang for a while. This is because SAVI can only deal with one set of computations at a time, even though SAVI allows multiple concurrent users. Be assured that SAVI keeps concurrent users' data and results separate.

The "Save session" and "Load previously saved session" facilities are temporarily out of action due to problems of backward compatibility with SAVI version 1.

The report that SAVI generates is not quite as polished as we would like. We are working on this.

## New features and bug fixes

### Fix for version 2.0.9

We have added a note on the EVPII Groups tab to say that the GP method for calculating partial EVPI for groups of five or more parameters uses only the first 7,500 rows of the PSA.

## BCEAweb

Welcome    1. Check assumptions    2. Economic analysis    3. Probabilistic Sensitivity Analysis    4. Value of information    5. Report

In this panel, the user can upload the simulation data for the economic output. These are defined in terms of a vector of simulations for the effectiveness variable and a vector of simulations for the cost variable, for each of the interventions being assessed.

The user can also specify the range and default value for the willingness-to-pay parameter, as well as the labels associated with each interventions. Clicking the `Run analysis` button will run BCEA in the background to perform the economic analysis.

In this panel, the user can upload the (e,c) data for the relevant model parameters.

## 1. Import the (e,c) data from:

Spreadsheet

## Choose .CSV File

effects\_costs\_3d\_for\_BCEAweb.csv

Upload complete

## 2. Define the grid of values for the willingness to pay (wtp)

min	max	step
0	50000	100

## 3. Define value for the wtp threshold (eg £)

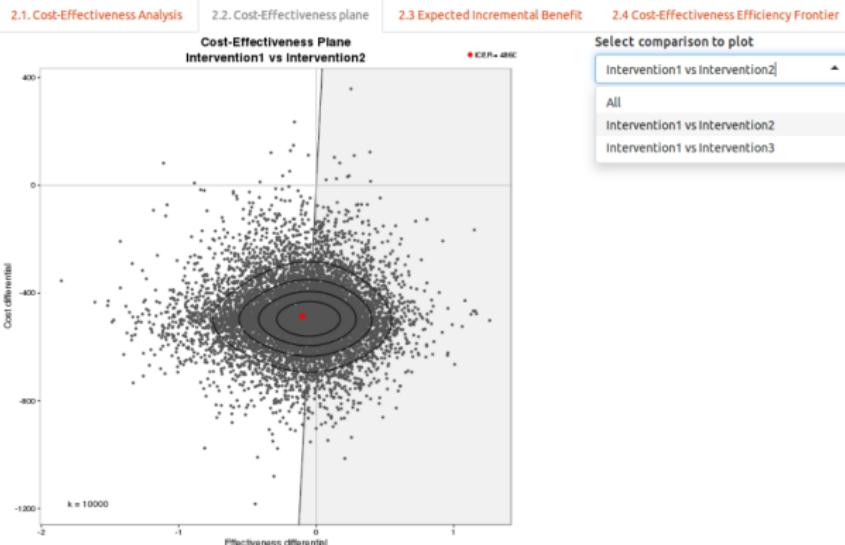
10000

## 4. Define intervention labels

Intervention1

Intervention2

Intervention3



## Select comparison to plot

Intervention1 vs Intervention2

All

Intervention1 vs Intervention2

Intervention1 vs Intervention3

1. Introduction    2. Parameter Input    3. Cohort simulation    4. Health economic evaluation    5. Value of information

The parameters of the base-case scenario can be displayed without running the model.

Show base-case

After completing the selection of the inputs, click the button to run the statistical analysis

Run MCMC

MCMC simulations

50

Population parameters

Survival analysis

Administration costs

Treatment costs    Adverse events    Utilities

Population indolent non-Hodgkin's lymphoma (source)

13518

% rituximab refractory follicular lymphoma

Mean (source)

9

SD (assumption)

0.01

Mean age (source)

62.07

Weight in kg

Mean (source)

81

SD (assumption)

10

Height in cm

Mean (source)

169.52

SD (assumption)

10

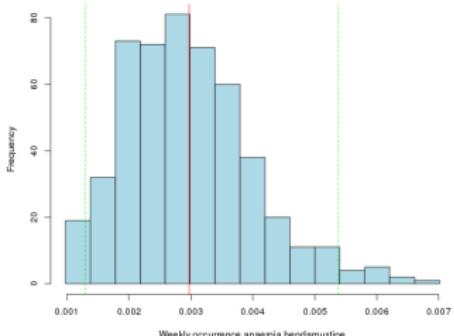
2.1 Check assumptions    2.2 Trace plots    2.3 GR plots    2.4 Effective sample size    2.5 Autocorrelation

Parameter of interest

Weekly occurrence anaemia bendamustine

Select the number of BINS for histogram

Histogram of Weekly occurrence anaemia bendamustine



Mean	Standard deviation	2.5%	Median	97.5%	Monte Carlo SE
0.0029703	0.0010262	0.0012969	0.0028678	0.0053797	0.0004194

# Escape (from Excel) to victory

