

# Environmental Bowtie Risk Analysis

## User Manual & Technical Documentation

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## 1 Executive Summary

The **Environmental Bowtie Risk Analysis** application (version 5.3.0) is a comprehensive R Shiny web application designed for environmental risk assessment using bowtie diagrams enhanced with Bayesian network integration. This production-ready edition provides a robust platform for analyzing marine biodiversity threats and ecosystem services impacts through probabilistic modeling.

### 1.1 Key Features

- **Interactive Bowtie Diagram Creation:** Visual risk assessment with drag-and-drop functionality
- **Guided 8-Step Workflow:** Step-by-step wizard for systematic risk analysis
- **Bayesian Network Integration:** Probabilistic modeling of environmental risks
- **Multi-Language Support:** English and French interfaces
- **12 Environmental Scenarios:** Pre-configured templates for common risk scenarios
- **Vocabulary Database:** 189 environmental elements (53 activities, 36 pressures, 74 controls, 26 consequences)
- **Export Capabilities:** Excel, RDS, and visual export options
- **Network Deployment Ready:** Configured for local network and production deployment

### 1.2 What's New in Version 5.3.0

#### 1.2.1 UI/UX Improvements

- Vertically aligned environmental scenario selectors
- New Vocabulary Statistics card with real-time element counts
- Enhanced 3-column layout for better information density
- Improved responsive design

#### 1.2.2 Bug Fixes

- Fixed Option 2b scenario generation error
- Resolved case-sensitivity issues for Linux deployment
- Corrected file references in deployment scripts
- Enhanced error handling with graceful fallbacks

#### 1.2.3 Deployment Framework

- Complete Linux compatibility
- Windows PowerShell validation scripts
- Comprehensive deployment documentation
- Updated directory structure validation

#### 1.2.4 Codebase Quality

- Cleaned up backup and temporary files
- Organized test files and utilities
- Enhanced .gitignore configuration
- Production-ready file structure

## 2 Getting Started

### 2.1 System Requirements

#### 2.1.1 Minimum Requirements

- **Operating System:** Windows 10+, macOS 10.14+, Ubuntu 18.04+, Debian 10+, CentOS 7+
- **R Version:** 4.3.0 or higher
- **Memory:** 4 GB RAM
- **Disk Space:** 2 GB free space
- **Display:** 1280x720 minimum resolution
- **Browser:** Modern web browser (Chrome 90+, Firefox 88+, Safari 14+, Edge 90+)

#### 2.1.2 Recommended Requirements

- **R Version:** 4.4.3 or higher
- **Memory:** 8 GB RAM or more
- **Disk Space:** 5 GB free space
- **Display:** 1920x1080 or higher
- **Network:** Required for deployment and collaboration features

#### 2.1.3 Required R Packages

Core Packages (18):

```
shiny, bslib, DT, readxl, openxlsx  
ggplot2, plotly, dplyr, visNetwork  
shinyCSSloaders, colourpicker, htmlwidgets, shinyjs  
bnlearn, gRain, igraph, DiagrammeR, Rgraphviz
```

All packages are automatically installed when the application starts for the first time.

## 2.2 Installation

### 2.2.1 Quick Start (Local Development)

1. **Clone or download** the application files
2. **Navigate** to the application directory
3. **Run** the application:

```
# Option 1: Using start_app.R (recommended)  
Rscript start_app.R  
  
# Option 2: Using app.R  
source("app.R")
```

4. **Access** the application at <http://localhost:3838>

## 2.2.2 Network Deployment

For team collaboration and network access:

```
# Start with network access
Rscript start_app.R
```

Access from: - Local machine: <http://localhost:3838> - Network: [http://\[YOUR\\_IP\]:3838](http://[YOUR_IP]:3838)

## 2.2.3 Production Deployment (Linux)

For production deployment on Linux servers:

```
cd deployment
chmod +x *.sh
sudo ./check_deployment_readiness.sh
sudo ./deploy_shiny_server.sh --install-deps --backup
```

Access at: [http://\[server-ip\]:3838/bowtie\\_app/](http://[server-ip]:3838/bowtie_app/)

## 3 User Interface Overview

### 3.1 Main Navigation

The application features a modern Bootstrap 5 interface with the following main tabs:

#### 3.1.1 1. Data Upload Tab

Upload or generate environmental risk data with three options: - **Option 1:** Upload Excel file (custom data) - **Option 2:** Generate from environmental scenarios (focused bowtie) - **Option 2b:** Generate with multiple controls (comprehensive bowtie)

#### 3.1.2 2. Guided Workflow Tab

8-step wizard for creating bowtie diagrams: 1. Project Setup 2. Central Problem Definition 3. Threats & Causes 4. Preventive Controls 5. Consequences 6. Protective Controls 7. Review & Validate 8. Finalize & Export

#### 3.1.3 3. Bowtie Diagram Tab

Interactive visualization of risk pathways with: - Zoomable and pannable network diagram - Color-coded risk elements - Interactive node selection - Export to PNG capability

#### 3.1.4 4. Bayesian Network Tab

Probabilistic risk analysis with: - Network structure visualization - Conditional probability tables - Risk inference queries - Critical path identification

#### 3.1.5 5. Data Table Tab

Editable data grid with: - Filtering and sorting - In-line editing - Bulk operations - Export capabilities

#### 3.1.6 6. Risk Matrix Tab

Visual risk assessment showing: - Probability vs. Impact matrix - Risk categorization - Priority ranking - Mitigation recommendations

#### 3.1.7 7. Vocabulary Management Tab

Manage environmental elements: - Activities (53 items) - Pressures (36 items) - Controls (74 items) - Consequences (26 items)

#### 3.1.8 8. Help Tab

Comprehensive help and documentation

## 4 Working with Environmental Scenarios

### 4.1 Available Scenarios

The application includes 12 pre-configured environmental scenarios:

#### 4.1.1 Core Environmental Scenarios (5)

1. **Marine Pollution from Shipping & Coastal Activities**
  - Focus: Maritime pollution, port operations, shipping impacts
  - Elements: Commercial shipping, ballast discharge, oil spills
  - Consequences: Marine ecosystem degradation, water quality issues
2. **Industrial Contamination through Chemical Discharge**
  - Focus: Industrial processes, chemical waste, manufacturing
  - Elements: Heavy metals, toxic waste, groundwater contamination
  - Consequences: Human health impacts, soil degradation
3. **Oil Spills from Maritime Transportation**
  - Focus: Petroleum transportation, tanker operations
  - Elements: Hydrocarbon pollution, surface contamination
  - Consequences: Coastal habitat destruction, economic losses
4. **Agricultural Runoff Causing Eutrophication**
  - Focus: Fertilizer application, livestock farming
  - Elements: Nutrient pollution, pesticide contamination
  - Consequences: Algal blooms, oxygen depletion, fish kills
5. **Overfishing and Commercial Stock Depletion**
  - Focus: Commercial fishing, marine resource depletion
  - Elements: Overharvesting, bycatch, habitat destruction
  - Consequences: Ecosystem imbalance, species extinction

#### 4.1.2 Martinique-Specific Scenarios (7)

6. **Coastal Erosion and Beach Degradation**
7. **Sargassum Seaweed Influx Impacts**
8. **Coral Reef Degradation and Bleaching**
9. **Watershed Pollution from Agriculture**
10. **Mangrove Forest Degradation**
11. **Hurricane and Tropical Storm Impacts**
12. **Marine Tourism Environmental Pressures**

### 4.2 Using Scenarios

#### 4.2.1 Option 2: Focused Bowtie Generation

Generates a clean, focused bowtie with: - **1 preventive control** per activity-pressure combination - **~20-30 data rows** - **Ideal for:** Initial assessments, presentations, training

**Steps:** 1. Go to **Data Upload** tab 2. Scroll to **Option 2** 3. Select an environmental scenario 4. Click “Generate Data” 5. View results in **Bowtie Diagram** tab

#### 4.2.2 Option 2b: Comprehensive Bowtie

Generates a detailed bowtie with: - **2-3 preventive controls** per activity-pressure combination - **~40-90 data rows** - **Ideal for:** Detailed planning, compliance, risk management

Steps: 1. Go to **Data Upload** tab 2. Scroll to **Option 2b** 3. Select an environmental scenario 4. Click “**Multiple Controls**” 5. Review comprehensive analysis

## 5 Guided Workflow System

### 5.1 Overview

The Guided Workflow provides an 8-step wizard for systematic bowtie creation using the application's vocabulary database.

### 5.2 Step-by-Step Guide

#### 5.2.1 Step 1: Project Setup

**Purpose:** Define basic project information

**Fields:** - Project Name - Description - Risk Assessor Name - Date - Environmental Scenario Template (optional)

**Actions:** - Fill in all required fields - Select a scenario template if applicable - Click “**Next Step**” to proceed

#### 5.2.2 Step 2: Central Problem Definition

**Purpose:** Identify the core environmental problem

**Fields:** - Problem Statement - Problem Category - Geographic Scope - Temporal Scope

**Tips:** - Be specific and measurable - Focus on one central problem - Consider spatial and temporal boundaries

#### 5.2.3 Step 3: Threats & Causes

**Purpose:** Identify activities and pressures leading to the problem

**Process:** 1. **Select Activities** (from 53 options) - Use search functionality - Select relevant human activities - Click “Add Activity”

##### 2. **Select Pressures** (from 36 options)

- Choose environmental pressures
- Link to activities
- View activity-pressure connections table

**Vocabulary Integration:** - Real-time search through all activities - Empty search widgets for immediate typing - Duplicate prevention - Visual feedback with data tables

#### 5.2.4 Step 4: Preventive Controls

**Purpose:** Identify measures to prevent or reduce threats

**Process:** 1. Review selected threats from Step 3 2. Search through 74 available controls 3. Select appropriate preventive measures 4. Assign controls to specific threats 5. View controls table with assignments

**Control Categories:** - Technical controls - Procedural controls - Policy-based controls - Monitoring systems

### 5.2.5 Step 5: Consequences

**Purpose:** Identify potential environmental impacts

**Process:** 1. Search through 26 consequence categories 2. Select relevant environmental impacts 3. Assess severity levels 4. Link consequences to central problem 5. Review consequence hierarchy

**Impact Types:** - Ecosystem impacts - Biodiversity impacts - Human health impacts - Economic impacts - Social impacts

### 5.2.6 Step 6: Protective Controls

**Purpose:** Identify mitigation and recovery measures

**Process:** 1. Review selected consequences 2. Select protective mitigations 3. Assign recovery controls 4. Define escalation factors (if applicable) 5. Complete bowtie structure

**Mitigation Types:** - Emergency response - Damage limitation - Recovery measures - Restoration activities

### 5.2.7 Step 7: Review & Validate

**Purpose:** Verify completeness and consistency

**Checks:** - All required elements present - Logical connections established - No orphaned elements - Severity levels assigned - Complete pathways defined

**Actions:** - Review summary statistics - Validate connections - Make final adjustments - Confirm readiness to export

### 5.2.8 Step 8: Finalize & Export

**Purpose:** Export completed analysis

**Export Options:** 1. **Export to Main App** - Transfers data to main application - Opens Bowtie Diagram tab - Enables all analysis features

#### 2. Download Excel File

- Saves complete dataset
- Compatible with main app upload
- Includes all metadata

#### 3. Generate Report

- Creates summary document
- Includes visualizations
- Export as PDF/HTML

**Completion:** - Workflow complete notification - Option to start new project - Return to any step for revisions

## 6 Data Upload and Management

### 6.1 Supported Data Formats

#### 6.1.1 Excel Files (.xlsx, .xls)

Required Columns:

Activity, Pressure, Preventive\_Control, Central\_Problem,  
Consequence, Protective\_Mitigation

Optional Columns:

Escalation\_Factor, Activity\_Category, Pressure\_Category,  
Control\_Category, Consequence\_Category, Risk\_Level,  
Probability, Impact, Notes

Example Structure:

Activity	Pressure	Preventive_Control
Commercial shipping	Oil spills	Spill containment systems
Port operations	Chemical pollution	Waste treatment facility
...		

#### 6.1.2 CSV Files (.csv)

Same structure as Excel, comma-separated values.

#### 6.1.3 RDS Files (.rds)

R data format for saving/loading complete analyses including: - Data - Settings - Workflow state - Analysis results

## 6.2 Data Validation

The application performs automatic validation:

- Required columns present
- Data types correct
- No empty required fields
- Logical relationships valid
- Duplicate check
- Vocabulary compatibility

**Validation Errors** are displayed with: - Error type - Row/column location - Suggested fix - Option to auto-correct

## 6.3 Data Export Options

### 6.3.1 1. Excel Export

- Full dataset with all columns
- Formatted for readability
- Compatible with re-upload
- Includes metadata sheet

### 6.3.2 2. RDS Export

- Complete R data structure
- Preserves all settings
- Fastest load time
- Recommended for large datasets

### 6.3.3 3. CSV Export

- Universal compatibility
- Text-based format
- Easy integration with other tools
- No formatting preservation

### 6.3.4 4. Visual Exports

- PNG images of diagrams
- PDF reports
- HTML interactive views

## 7 Bayesian Network Analysis

### 7.1 Overview

The Bayesian Network feature converts bowtie diagrams into probabilistic models for advanced risk analysis.

### 7.2 Key Concepts

#### 7.2.1 Conditional Probability Tables (CPTs)

Each node in the network has probabilities:  
- **Root nodes:** Prior probabilities  
- **Intermediate nodes:** Conditional probabilities given parents  
- **Consequence nodes:** Final outcome probabilities

#### 7.2.2 Probabilistic Inference

Calculate:  
- **Forward propagation:** Activity → Pressure → Problem → Consequence  
- **Backward reasoning:** Given consequence, what's the most likely cause?  
- **Risk scenarios:** “What if” analysis with control failures

### 7.3 Using Bayesian Analysis

#### 7.3.1 Step 1: Convert Bowtie to Bayesian Network

1. Load or create bowtie data
2. Go to **Bayesian Network** tab
3. Click “Create Bayesian Network”
4. View network structure

#### 7.3.2 Step 2: Set Probabilities

**Default Probabilities** (can be customized):  
- Activities: 0.3 (30% likelihood)  
- Pressures: 0.5 (50% given activity)  
- Controls: 0.7 (70% effectiveness)  
- Consequences: 0.6 (60% given problem)

**Custom Probabilities:** 1. Select node in network 2. Edit probability table 3. Update values 4. Recalculate network

#### 7.3.3 Step 3: Run Inference Queries

Query Types:

1. **Marginal Probability:** What's the probability of a specific consequence?
2. **Conditional Probability:** Given evidence, what's the updated probability?
3. **Most Probable Explanation:** What's the most likely pathway?
4. **Sensitivity Analysis:** Which factors have the most impact?

Example Queries:

```

# Probability of marine ecosystem degradation
P(Consequence = "Marine ecosystem degradation")

# Probability given oil spill occurred
P(Consequence | Pressure = "Oil spills")

# Most likely cause given consequence observed
argmax P(Activity | Consequence = "Water quality deterioration")

```

### 7.3.4 Step 4: Identify Critical Paths

The application automatically identifies:

- **Highest risk pathways:** Combinations with highest probability
- **Critical control points:** Controls with most impact
- **Vulnerable nodes:** Elements with cascading effects

**Critical Path Visualization:**

- Highlighted in red on network diagram
- Probability values displayed
- Recommended interventions shown

### 7.3.5 Step 5: Risk Propagation Analysis

Analyze how risks spread through the system:

1. Select starting point (activity or pressure)
2. View propagation probabilities
3. Identify amplification points
4. Assess control effectiveness

## 7.4 Interpretation Guidelines

### 7.4.1 Risk Levels

- **High Risk:**  $P > 0.7 (>70\%)$
- **Medium Risk:**  $0.4 \leq P \leq 0.7 (40-70\%)$
- **Low Risk:**  $P < 0.4 (<40\%)$

### 7.4.2 Decision Making

Use Bayesian analysis to:

- Prioritize interventions
- Allocate resources efficiently
- Evaluate control strategies
- Monitor risk trends
- Communicate uncertainty

## 8 Risk Matrix and Visualization

### 8.1 Risk Matrix Overview

The Risk Matrix provides a visual representation of risks based on two dimensions: - **Probability**: Likelihood of occurrence (Low, Medium, High) - **Impact**: Severity of consequences (Low, Medium, High)

### 8.2 Matrix Categories

#### 8.2.1 Low Risk (Green Zone)

- **Probability**: Low
- **Impact**: Low to Medium
- **Action**: Monitor, routine management

#### 8.2.2 Medium Risk (Yellow Zone)

- **Probability**: Medium
- **Impact**: Low to High
- **OR**
- **Probability**: Low to High
- **Impact**: Medium
- **Action**: Develop mitigation plans, regular review

#### 8.2.3 High Risk (Red Zone)

- **Probability**: High
- **Impact**: Medium to High
- **OR**
- **Probability**: Medium to High
- **Impact**: High
- **Action**: Immediate intervention required, priority management

### 8.3 Using the Risk Matrix

#### 1. View Matrix

- Go to Risk Matrix tab
- See all risks plotted
- Color-coded by severity

#### 2. Filter Risks

- By category
- By probability range
- By impact level
- By central problem

#### 3. Detailed Analysis

- Click on risk point
- View complete pathway
- See mitigation options

- Access recommendations

#### 4. Export Matrix

- Save as PNG image
- Include in reports
- Share with stakeholders

### 8.4 Visualization Features

#### 8.4.1 Bowtie Diagram Customization

**Color Schemes:** - Activities: Blue - Pressures: Red - Preventive Controls: Green - Central Problem: Purple - Protective Mitigations: Cyan - Consequences: Orange - Escalation Factors: Yellow

**Layout Options:** - Hierarchical (default) - Circular - Force-directed - Custom positioning

**Interaction:** - Zoom and pan - Node selection - Hover for details - Export view

#### 8.4.2 Network Visualization

**Bayesian Network Display:** - Directed acyclic graph (DAG) - Probability values on edges - Node size by importance - Interactive exploration

#### 8.4.3 Data Table Visualization

**Features:** - Sortable columns - Filterable rows - Editable cells - Bulk operations - Export selection

## 9 Advanced Features

### 9.1 Vocabulary Management

#### 9.1.1 Understanding the Vocabulary Database

The application includes a comprehensive vocabulary of 189 environmental elements:

- **53 Activities:** Human actions causing environmental pressures
- **36 Pressures:** Environmental stressors resulting from activities
- **74 Controls:** Measures to prevent or mitigate risks
- **26 Consequences:** Environmental impacts and outcomes

#### 9.1.2 Viewing Vocabulary Statistics

Located in the Data Upload tab: - Real-time element counts - Category breakdown - Total available elements  
- Last update timestamp

#### 9.1.3 Adding Custom Vocabulary

1. Go to **Vocabulary Management** tab
2. Select category (Activities, Pressures, Controls, Consequences)
3. Click “**Add New Element**”
4. Fill in details:
  - Name
  - Description
  - Category/hierarchy
  - Synonyms
  - Related elements
5. Click “**Save**”
6. Element available immediately

#### 9.1.4 Editing Vocabulary

1. Select element from list
2. Click “**Edit**”
3. Modify fields
4. Click “**Update**”
5. Changes reflected across application

#### 9.1.5 Importing Vocabulary

Import from Excel files: 1. Prepare Excel file with columns: - `hierarchy`, `id`, `name`, `description` 2. Go to Vocabulary Management 3. Click “**Import from Excel**” 4. Select file 5. Map columns 6. Import and validate

## 9.2 Multi-Language Support

### 9.2.1 Switching Languages

1. Look for language selector (top-right corner)
2. Available languages:
  - English
  - Français
3. Click to switch
4. Interface updates immediately

### 9.2.2 Supported Elements

**Translated:** - UI labels and buttons - Tab names - Help text - Error messages - Notifications - Field labels

**Not Translated:** - User data (your inputs) - Vocabulary elements (environmental terms) - Custom notes

### 9.2.3 Adding Translations

For developers: 1. Edit `translations_data.R` 2. Add new language code 3. Translate all keys 4. Update language selector 5. Test thoroughly

## 9.3 Batch Processing

### 9.3.1 Processing Multiple Scenarios

1. Prepare scenario list
2. Use batch import feature
3. Configure processing options
4. Run batch analysis
5. Export combined results

### 9.3.2 Automated Reporting

1. Define report template
2. Select scenarios
3. Configure output format
4. Generate batch reports
5. Download ZIP file with all reports

## 9.4 API Integration (Advanced)

### 9.4.1 REST API Endpoints

For programmatic access:

```
# Start API mode
shiny::runApp(port = 3838, host = "0.0.0.0", launch.browser = FALSE)

# Endpoints
GET /api/scenarios           # List available scenarios
POST /api/analyze              # Submit analysis
GET /api/results/{id}          # Retrieve results
GET /api/export/{id}/{fmt}     # Export data
```

#### 9.4.2 Python Integration Example

```
import requests

# Submit analysis
response = requests.post('http://localhost:3838/api/analyze', json={
    'scenario': 'marine_pollution',
    'options': {'controls': 'multiple'}
})

# Get results
results = requests.get(f"http://localhost:3838/api/results/{response.json()['id']}")
```

## 10 Troubleshooting

### 10.1 Common Issues

#### 10.1.1 Issue: Application Won't Start

**Symptoms:** - Error loading packages - Port already in use - R version mismatch

**Solutions:**

1. Check R Version:

```
R.version.string # Should be >= 4.3.0
```

2. Install Missing Packages:

```
source("requirements.R")
```

3. Free Port 3838:

```
# Windows
netstat -ano | findstr :3838
taskkill //F //PID <PID>

# Linux/Mac
lsof -i :3838
kill -9 <PID>
```

#### 10.1.2 Issue: Data Upload Fails

**Symptoms:** - File not recognized - Validation errors - Missing columns

**Solutions:**

1. Check File Format:

- Must be .xlsx, .xls, or .csv
- Use template provided in Help tab

2. Verify Required Columns:

Activity, Pressure, Preventive\_Control,  
Central\_Problem, Consequence, Protective\_Mitigation

3. Check Data Quality:

- No completely empty rows
- No special characters in headers
- Consistent data types

### 10.1.3 Issue: Bayesian Network Errors

**Symptoms:** - Network creation fails - Inference errors - Circular dependencies

**Solutions:**

1. **Check Data Structure:**

- No circular relationships
- All nodes have valid connections
- Probability values between 0 and 1

2. **Validate Bowtie:**

- Complete pathways
- No orphaned elements
- Logical flow maintained

3. **Reset Network:**

- Clear cache
- Recreate network
- Reload data

### 10.1.4 Issue: Guided Workflow Stuck

**Symptoms:** - Cannot proceed to next step - Data not saving - Export fails

**Solutions:**

1. **Complete Required Fields:**

- All mandatory fields filled
- At least one element in each category
- Validation passing

2. **Clear Cache:**

```
source("utils/clean_workflow_cache.R")
```

3. **Restart Workflow:**

- Save progress to Excel
- Start new workflow
- Import saved data

### 10.1.5 Issue: Performance Slow

**Symptoms:** - Slow loading - Laggy interactions - Timeout errors

**Solutions:**

1. **Check System Resources:**

- Close other applications
- Free memory (need 4GB+)
- Check CPU usage

**2. Reduce Data Size:**

- Filter unnecessary rows
- Limit scenario scope
- Export and re-import

**3. Clear Browser Cache:**

- Force refresh (Ctrl+F5)
- Clear browser data
- Try different browser

**10.1.6 Issue: Export Not Working**

**Symptoms:** - Download fails - Corrupted files - Missing data

**Solutions:**

**1. Check File Permissions:**

- Write access to download folder
- Sufficient disk space

**2. Try Different Format:**

- If Excel fails, try CSV
- If RDS fails, try Excel

**3. Export Smaller Subset:**

- Filter data
- Export in batches
- Combine manually

**10.2 Getting Help****10.2.1 Built-in Help**

1. **Help Tab:** Comprehensive in-app documentation
2. **Tooltips:** Hover over ? icons for quick help
3. **Examples:** Sample datasets provided

**10.2.2 Community Support**

- **GitHub Issues:** Report bugs and request features
- **Documentation:** Full docs at project repository
- **Email Support:** Contact Marbefes team

**10.2.3 Diagnostic Information**

When reporting issues, include: - Version number (5.3.0) - Operating system - R version - Error messages (full text) - Steps to reproduce - Screenshots if applicable

## 11 Appendices

### 11.1 Appendix A: Keyboard Shortcuts

Shortcut	Action
Ctrl + S	Save current data
Ctrl + E	Export data
Ctrl + Z	Undo last action
Ctrl + Y	Redo action
Ctrl + F	Find/Search
Ctrl + +	Zoom in diagram
Ctrl + -	Zoom out diagram
Ctrl + 0	Reset zoom
Esc	Close modal/dialog
Tab	Next field
Shift + Tab	Previous field

### 11.2 Appendix B: File Locations

#### 11.2.1 Application Structure

```
bowtie_app/
  app.R                      # Main launcher
  global.R                    # Configuration
  ui.R                        # User interface
  server.R                    # Server logic
  config.R                    # Settings
  CAUSES.xlsx                 # Activities & Pressures
  CONSEQUENCES.xlsx          # Consequences
  CONTROLS.xlsx               # Controls
  deployment/                 # Deployment scripts
  tests/                      # Test suite
  docs/                       # Documentation
  data/                       # User data storage
  www/                        # Static assets
```

#### 11.2.2 Data Files Location

- **Linux:** /srv/shiny-server/bowtie\_app/data/
- **Windows:** [AppDir]/data/
- **Network:** Accessible via web interface

#### 11.2.3 Log Files

- **Application:** [AppDir]/logs/app.log
- **Shiny Server:** /var/log/shiny-server/bowtie\_app/
- **Error Log:** [AppDir]/logs/error.log

## 11.3 Appendix C: Environmental Scenarios Reference

### 11.3.1 Scenario: Marine Pollution

**Central Problem:** Marine pollution from shipping activities

**Key Elements:** - Activities: Commercial shipping, port operations, oil transportation - Pressures: Chemical pollution, oil spills, ballast discharge - Controls: Spill containment, waste treatment, monitoring systems - Consequences: Ecosystem degradation, water quality deterioration

**Use Cases:** Ports, shipping routes, coastal development

### 11.3.2 Scenario: Agricultural Runoff

**Central Problem:** Agricultural runoff causing eutrophication

**Key Elements:** - Activities: Fertilizer application, livestock farming, intensive agriculture - Pressures: Nutrient pollution, fertilizer runoff, pesticide contamination - Controls: Best management practices, buffer zones, treatment wetlands - Consequences: Eutrophication, algal blooms, oxygen depletion

**Use Cases:** Agricultural watersheds, river basins, coastal zones

### 11.3.3 Scenario: Industrial Contamination

**Central Problem:** Industrial contamination through chemical discharge

**Key Elements:** - Activities: Manufacturing, chemical processing, mining operations - Pressures: Heavy metals, toxic waste, groundwater contamination - Controls: Waste treatment, containment systems, monitoring - Consequences: Human health impacts, soil degradation, water pollution

**Use Cases:** Industrial areas, manufacturing sites, mining regions

[Additional scenarios follow similar structure...]

## 11.4 Appendix D: Glossary

**Activity:** Human action that generates environmental pressures

**Bayesian Network:** Probabilistic graphical model representing causal relationships

**Bowtie Diagram:** Risk visualization showing causes, controls, consequences

**Central Problem:** Core environmental issue being analyzed

**Consequence:** Environmental or social impact resulting from the problem

**CPT (Conditional Probability Table):** Probabilities defining Bayesian network relationships

**Escalation Factor:** Event or condition that weakens controls

**Mitigation:** Measure to reduce consequence severity

**Pathway:** Sequence from activity through to consequence

**Pressure:** Environmental stressor resulting from human activity

**Preventive Control:** Measure to prevent problem occurrence

**Protective Control:** Measure to limit consequences

**Risk:** Combination of probability and impact

**Scenario:** Pre-configured set of environmental risk elements

**Vocabulary:** Database of standardized environmental terms

## 11.5 Appendix E: Version History

### 11.5.1 Version 5.3.0 (November 2025) - Current

- Production-ready release
- UI/UX improvements (vertical alignment, vocabulary statistics)
- Bug fixes (Option 2b, case-sensitivity)
- Linux deployment compatibility
- Cleaned codebase structure
- Comprehensive documentation

### 11.5.2 Version 5.2.0 (November 2025)

- Modern framework edition
- Enhanced testing infrastructure
- Performance improvements
- Advanced benchmarking

### 11.5.3 Version 5.1.0 (September 2025)

- Network deployment ready
- Enhanced scenarios
- Improved guided workflow
- Multi-language support

### 11.5.4 Version 5.0.0 (August 2025)

- Complete redesign
- Bayesian network integration
- Guided workflow system
- Vocabulary management

[Earlier versions...]

## 11.6 Appendix F: References

### 11.6.1 Standards and Guidelines

- ISO 31000:2018 - Risk Management
- IEC 31010:2019 - Risk Assessment Techniques
- ISO 14001:2015 - Environmental Management Systems

### 11.6.2 Scientific Literature

- Bowtie methodology for risk assessment
- Bayesian networks in environmental science
- Marine biodiversity conservation
- Ecosystem services valuation

### 11.6.3 Software and Tools

- R Statistical Software: <https://www.r-project.org/>
  - Shiny Framework: <https://shiny.rstudio.com/>
  - bnlearn Package: <https://www.bnlearn.com/>
  - gRain Package: <https://people.math.aau.dk/~sorenh/software/gR/>
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## 11.7 Contact Information

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### End of User Manual

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