

Simulation for Decision Making: MSToolkit for Go/No Go

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data analysis that delivers



Agenda

- Clinical Trial Simulation
- Using MSToolkit
- Informing Decisions



Clinical Trial Simulation

Why M&S?



“I have always considered it more desirable to kill computer-generated patients than real ones while calibrating design parameters”

*Peter Thall, MD Anderson Cancer Centre,
Houston, TX*

Clinical Trial Simulation

Why M&S?



- Efficacy failures are making R&D expensive (51% Phase 2, 66% Phase 3)*
 - Differentiation against existing therapies
 - Benefit/risk & cost effectiveness
- Integrate understanding of human biology through modelling

* Current Position and Expectation for use of M&S in Drug Development and Regulatory Decision Making.
Peter A Milligan. Parallel 2c, PSI 2012

Clinical Trial Simulation

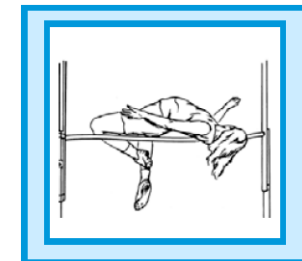
How to Approach M&S?

- MHRA support for M&S
- Regulators keen to see M&S being used
- Impact on submission based on usage

• Describe



• Justify



• Replace

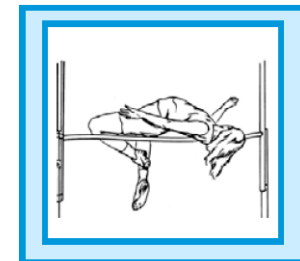


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Clinical Trial Simulation

How to Approach M&S?

- Low Impact: Internal decision making, verify conclusions from preclinical FTIH
- Medium Impact: Dose ranging, justify not doing a study (e.g. PBPK)
- High Impact: Extrapolating efficacy/safety in new population

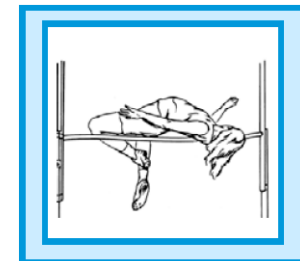


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Clinical Trial Simulation

How to Approach M&S?

- M&S Good Practice



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M&S Good Practice Target Decision



- Know decision(s) that will be affected
- Benefits occur when decision is acted upon



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M&S Good Practice

Apply Scientific Knowledge

- Diverse approaches may be necessary to solve problem efficiently, not statistics alone

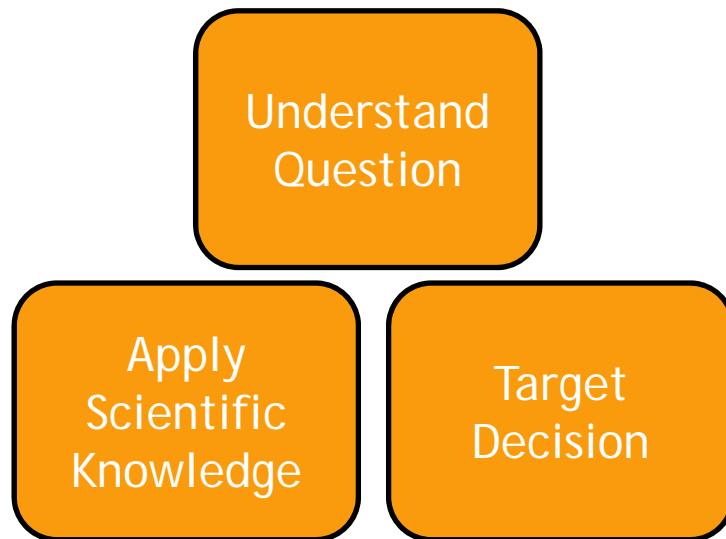
Apply
Scientific
Knowledge

Target
Decision

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M&S Good Practice

Understand Question

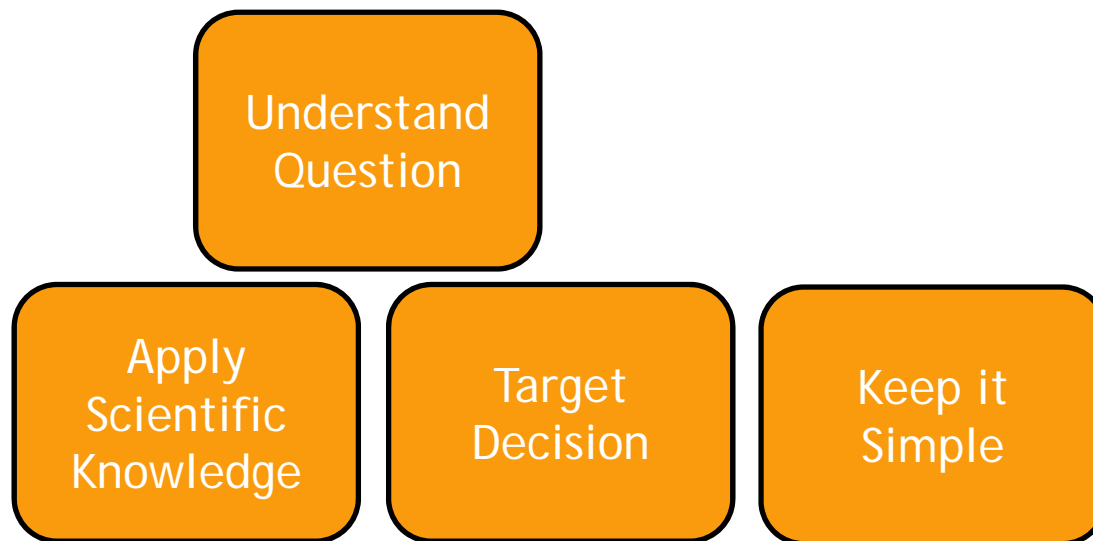


- “All models are wrong, but some are useful”
George Box
- Incorporate information that is relevant to the decision

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M&S Good Practice

Keep it Simple



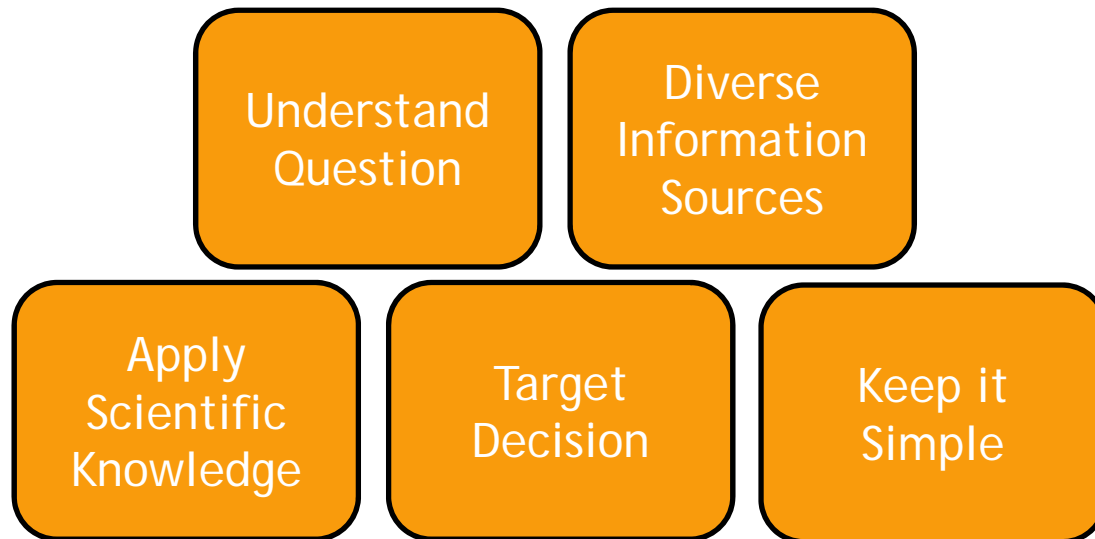
- “Pluralitas non est ponenda sine necessitate”
John Duns Scotus
- Do not waste effort on features that do not affect decision
- Can parts of model be replaced with analytic or numeric solutions

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M&S Good Practice

Diverse Information Sources

- Glean insight from where it is available



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M&S Good Practice Communication



- Share ideas & methods with other quantitative scientists
- Present solution, confidence intervals, assumptions, robustness checks

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M&S Good Practice Continuous



- Re-use, update and re-apply models in continuous integrated process

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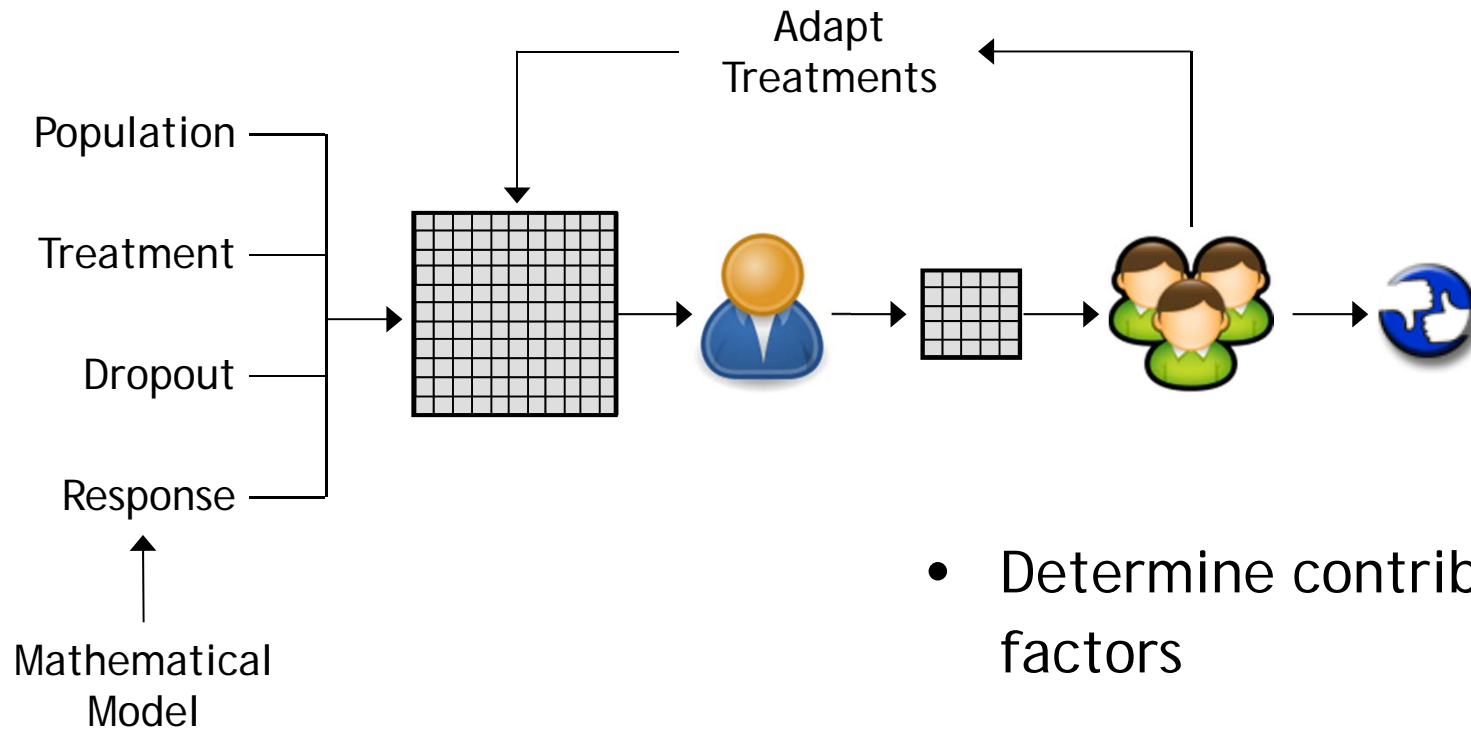
Target Decision



- Is an effect present? e.g. 15 % improvement in mean over placebo
- Is an effect sufficient to justify further investment?
- Which dose should be studied next?

Enhanced Quantitative Decision Making - Reducing the Likelihood of Incorrect Decisions.
Mike K Smith, J French, MM Hutmacher, KG Kowalski, & W Ewy. PKUK 2011

What to Simulate? Target Decision



Using MSToolkit



- An R package to:
 - Simulate clinical trials
 - Evaluate designs
 - Analyse methodology
 - Quantify operating characteristics
 - Apply dose and study level decision criteria



Using MSToolkit Features



- Backed by Mango (validated, tests)
- Functionality:
 - Low level functions to perform basic tasks
 - High level functions to run then tweak
- Uses cluster (if available) to enhance performance
- Can use SAS (if available) for analysis

Using MSToolkit Facilitates Communication



- Developed by Mango & Pfizer in 2008, freely available
 - CRAN e.g. <http://stat.ethz.ch/CRAN/>
 - R Forge <https://r-forge.r-project.org/projects/mstoolkit/>
- Facilitate communication between M&S team
- Intuitive naming conventions facilitate communication with non-expert stakeholders

Using MSToolkit Target Decision

- Suite of low level functions - select elements needed
 - Generate possible treatments `createTreatments`
 - Allocate subjects to treatments `allocateTreatments`
 - Generate parameters `createParameters`
 - Generate covariates `createCovariates`
 - Add missingness `createMCAR`
 - Add dropout `createDropout`
 - Allocate subjects to interims `createInterims`
 - Generate responses `createResponse`

Using MSToolkit Generate Treatments

```
> seqMat                                     # dosing schedules
      [,1] [,2] [,3]
[1,]    0   15   30
[2,]   15   30    0
[3,]   30    0   15
> allTrts <- createTreatments(sequence = seqMat)
> allTrts
  TRT  TIME DOSE
1    1     1    0
2    1     2   15
3    1     3   30
4    2     1   15
5    2     2   30
6    2     3    0
7    3     1   30
8    3     2    0
9    3     3   15
```

Using MSToolkit Allocate Treatments

```
> allocTrts <- allocateTreatments(trts = 3,  
+   subjects = 20, prop = c(0.2, 0.2, 0.6))  
> head(allocTrts)
```

	SUBJ	TRT
1	1	3
2	2	1
3	3	3
4	4	3
5	5	3
6	6	3

```
> idTrts <- merge(allocTrts, allTrts)  
> head(idTrts, 3)
```

	TRT	SUBJ	TIME	DOSE
1	1	2	2	15
2	1	2	1	0
3	1	2	3	30

Using MSToolkit Generate Covariates

```
> idCov <- createContinuousCovariates(subjects = 20,  
+   names = c("AGE", "BMI"), mean = c(35, 24),  
+   covariance = c(30, 15), digits = c(0, 1),  
+   range = "18 <= AGE <= 55, 17 <= BMI <= 33")  
> head(idCov) # describe covariates
```

	SUBJ	AGE	BMI
1	1	31	28.0
2	2	32	28.3
3	3	34	26.1
4	4	34	27.4
5	5	31	24.0
6	6	38	21.7

```
> idTrts <- merge(idTrts, idCov)
```

Using MSToolkit

Creating Parameters

```
> ePars <- createNormalParameters(subjects = 20,  
+   names = "E0, D50, EMAX", mean = c(100, 40, -70),  
+   covariance = c(10, 12, 15), betNames = "D50, EMAX",  
+   betCov = 8, errStruc = "Additive", digits = 1)  
> head(ePars, 3)
```

	SUBJ	E0	D50	EMAX	PAROMIT
1	1	97.1	40.2	-68.1	0
2	2	97.1	39.4	-64.7	0
3	3	97.1	39.3	-66.6	0

```
> idTrts <- merge(idTrts, ePars)  
> head(idTrts)
```

	SUBJ	TRT	TIME	DOSE	AGE	BMI	E0	D50	EMAX	PAROMIT
1	1	3	3	15	31	28.0	97.1	40.2	-68.1	0
2	1	3	1	30	31	28.0	97.1	40.2	-68.1	0
3	1	3	2	0	31	28.0	97.1	40.2	-68.1	0
4	2	1	2	15	32	28.3	97.1	39.4	-64.7	0
5	2	1	1	0	32	28.3	97.1	39.4	-64.7	0
6	2	1	3	30	32	28.3	97.1	39.4	-64.7	0

Using MSToolkit Response & Residual Error

```
> respData <- createResponse(data = idTrts, covariance = 35,  
+   equation = "E0 + (EMAX * DOSE) / (D50 + DOSE)",  
+   errStruc = "Additive", range = "RESP > 0")  
> allData <- cbind(idTrts, respData)  
> head(allData[-(5:6)])
```

	SUBJ	TRT	TIME	DOSE	E0	D50	EMAX	PAROMIT	RESP	RESPOMIT
1	1	3	3	15	97.1	40.2	-68.1	0	79.751	0
2	1	3	1	30	97.1	40.2	-68.1	0	72.709	0
3	1	3	2	0	97.1	40.2	-68.1	0	95.252	0
4	2	1	2	15	97.1	39.4	-64.7	0	70.173	0
5	2	1	1	0	97.1	39.4	-64.7	0	89.553	0
6	2	1	3	30	97.1	39.4	-64.7	0	69.205	0

Using MSToolkit Create a Single Trial



The screenshot shows a Microsoft Excel window titled 'singleTrial.csv - Microsoft Excel'. The ribbon includes File, Home, Insert, Page Layout, Formulas, Data, Review, View, Acrobat, and Team. The Home ribbon is active, showing options for Clipboard, Font, Alignment, Number, Styles, Cells, and Editing. The data table is as follows:

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
1	SUBJ	TRT	TIME	DOSE	AGE	BMI	EO	D50	EMAX	PAROMIT	RESP	RESPOMIT
2	1	3	3	15	31	28	97.1	40.2	-68.1	0	79.751	0
3	1	3	1	30	31	28	97.1	40.2	-68.1	0	72.709	0
4	1	3	2	0	31	28	97.1	40.2	-68.1	0	95.252	0
5	2	1	2	15	32	28.3	97.1	39.4	-64.7	0	70.173	0
6	2	1	1	0	32	28.3	97.1	39.4	-64.7	0	89.553	0
7	2	1	3	30	32	28.3	97.1	39.4	-64.7	0	69.205	0

Using MSToolkit Or use High Level Function

```
> generateData(replicateN = 100, subjects = 20,  
+   workingPath = "C:/Temp/New Simulation",  
+   treatDoses = c(0, 5, 25, 50, 100),  
+   conCovNames = c("WGT", "AGE"), conCovMean = c(83, 55),  
+   conCovVCov = c(13, 9)^2 , conCovDigits = 1,  
+   conCovCrit = "18 <= AGE <= 65",  
+   genParNames = "E0, D50, EMAX", genParMean = c(2, 50, 10),  
+   genParVCov = diag(c(0.5, 30, 10)),  
+   genParBtwNames = "E0, D50, EMAX", genParBtwMean = c(0, 0, 0),  
+   genParBtwVCov = diag(c(0.4, 5, 2)),  
+   respEqn = "E0 + (DOSE * EMAX) / (DOSE + D50)",  
+   respVCov = 5,  
+   interimSubj = "0.3, 0.7")
```

Using MSToolkit To Generate Replicates

The screenshot shows a Windows File Explorer window with the address bar set to 'Computer > OS (C:) > Temp > New Simulation > ReplicateData'. The file list contains seven CSV files named 'replicate0001.csv' through 'replicate0007.csv', all with a size of 2 KB and a date modified of 11/09/2012 17:40. The 'replicate0001.csv' file is selected, and a preview of its contents is shown in a Microsoft Excel window.

The Excel window title is 'replicate0001.csv - Microsoft Excel'. The ribbon includes File, Home, Insert, Page Layout, Formulas, Data, Review, View, Acrobat, and Team. The Home ribbon is active, showing Font, Alignment, and Number groups. The spreadsheet data is as follows:

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
1	SUBJ	TRT	DOSE	WGT	AGE	E0	D50	EMAX	E0.Betwee	D50.Betwee	EMAX.Betw	PARC
2		1	5	100	69.4	48.5	2.258	53.711	12.765	0.057	-0.66	-1.728
3		2	1	0	113.7	50.7	2.258	53.711	12.765	-0.214	-1.219	1.869
4		3	3	25	95	58	2.258	53.711	12.765	1.097	-3.672	-0.537
5		4	1	0	88.4	45.9	2.258	53.711	12.765	1.574	-2.434	1.059
6		5	4	50	71.6	63.1	2.258	53.711	12.765	-0.779	-2.667	-1.166
7		6	3	25	85.6	50.5	2.258	53.711	12.765	-0.633	1.722	-0.028
8		7	5	100	74.6	53.4	2.258	53.711	12.765	-0.543	-1.26	-1.375
9		8	4	50	102.8	45.9	2.258	53.711	12.765	-0.143	-2.5	-0.29
10		9	4	50	76.3	63.6	2.258	53.711	12.765	-0.626	-3.531	-0.283

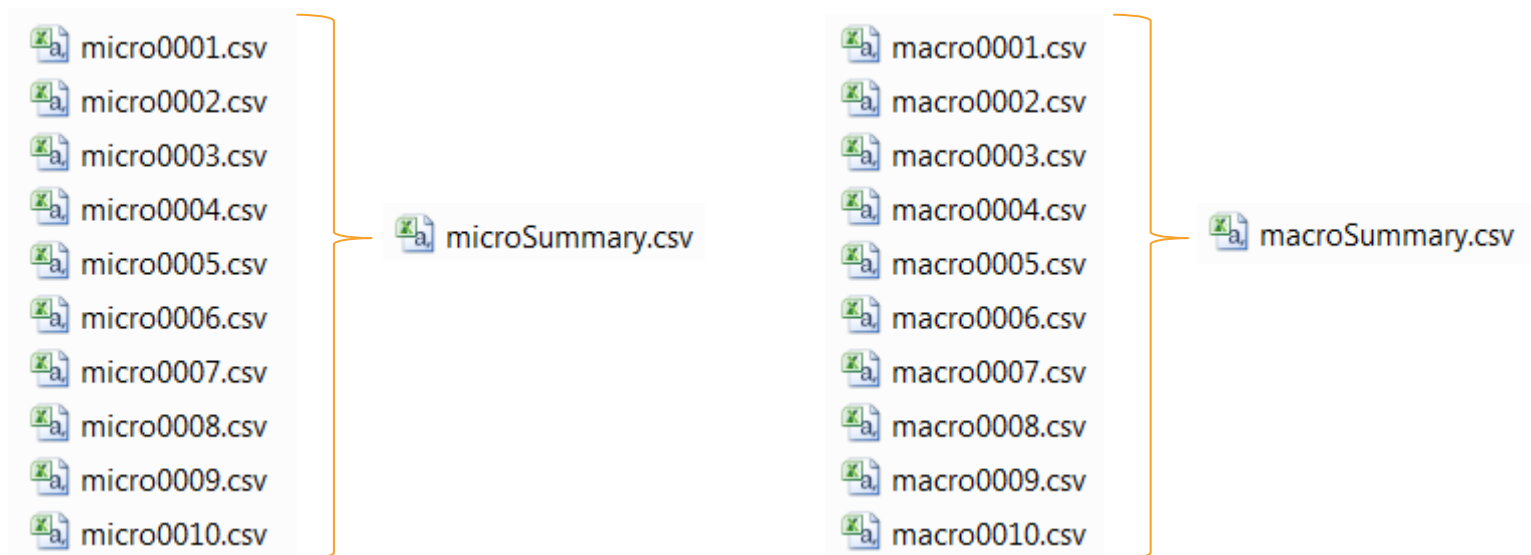
Using MSToolkit Data Output

```
> getEctdDataMethod()  
[1] "Internal"  
  
> setEctdDataMethod("CSV")
```

- Text files (csv)
- Data files (RData)
- Retained internally in memory for increased speed

Using MSToolkit Analyze Data

```
> meanFun <- function(data) { as.data.frame(t(data$MEAN)) }  
  
> analyzeData(analysisCode = parallel,  
+   macroCode = meanFun,  
+   grid = FALSE)
```



Apply Scientific Knowledge



- Preclinical information about this drug
- Incorporate description of disease
- Competitor or literature information about other drugs in class

Target Decision

Quantitative Go/No Go

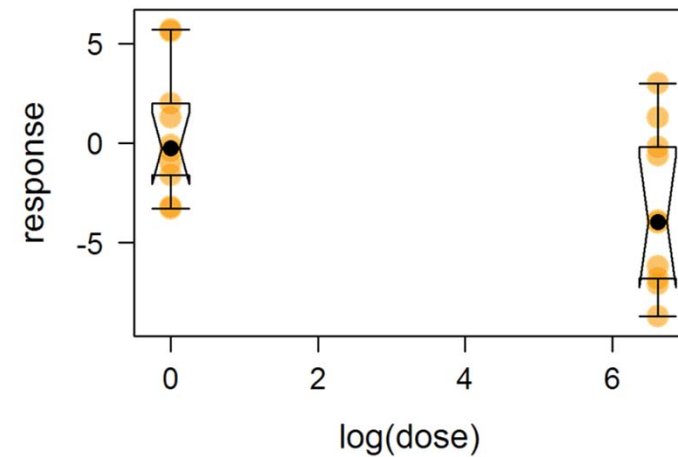
```
> macrocode <- function(data, Threshold = -3.2) {  
+   out <- data$LOWER > Threshold  
+   out <- as.data.frame(t(out))  
+   names(out) <- paste("GO", data$DOSE, sep = "  
+   return(out)  
+ }
```

- Go if lower confidence interval of response is greater than threshold response -3.2

Informing Decisions Prior Information

```
> group <- rep(c(0, log(750)), each = 10)
> placebo <- c(-1.6, 1.3, 5.7, -0.1, -3.3, -1, 5.6, 2, -0.4, -3.2)
> active <- c(-7.1, -8.7, -6.8, 1.3, -0.6, 3, -3.9, -6.2, -4, -0.2)
> response <- c(placebo, active)
```

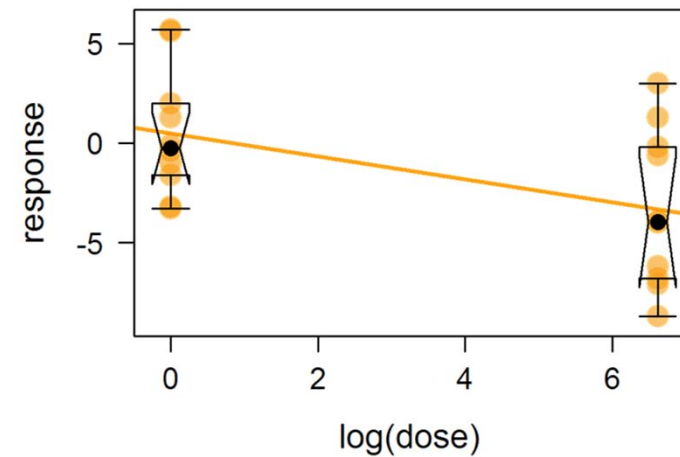
```
> xyplot(response ~ group,
+   panel = customPanel,
+   axis = axis.smart,
+   xlab = "log(dose)",
+   xlim = c(-0.5, 7))
```



Informing Decisions Estimate Parameters

```
> mod <- lm(response ~ group)
> sumMod <- summary(mod)
> coefMod <- coef(mod)
> varMod <- sumMod$sigma^2
> vcov <- varMod * sumMod$cov # scaled varcov matrix
```

```
> xyplot(response ~ group,
+   panel = lmCustomPanel,
+   coef = coefMod,
+   axis = axis.smart,
+   xlab = "log(dose)",
+   xlim = c(-0.5, 7))
```



Informing Decisions

Define Analysis

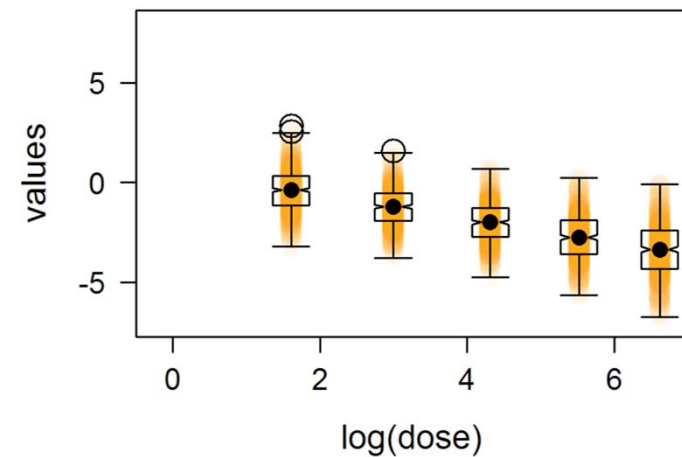
```
> parallel <- function(data) {  
+   analys <- lm(RESP ~ log(DOSE), data = data)  
+   sumAnalys <- summary(analys)  
+   doses <- sort(unique(data$DOSE))  
+   fitted <- predict.lm(analys, newdata = list(DOSE = doses),  
+     se.fit = TRUE, interval = "confidence", level = 0.95)  
+  
+   mn <- fitted$fit[, 1]  
+   n <- tapply(data$RESP, list(data$DOSE), length)  
+   INTER <- unique(data$INTER)  
+   SLOPE <- unique(data$SLOPE)  
+   TRUTH <- INTER + SLOPE * log(doses)  
+  
+   outDf <- data.frame(  
+     DOSE = doses, MEAN = mn, SE = fitted$se.fit,  
+     LOWER = fitted$fit[, 2], UPPER = fitted$fit[, 3],  
+     N = n, TRUTH = TRUTH, INTER = INTER, SLOPE = SLOPE)  
+   return(outDf)  
+ }
```

Informing Decisions Simulate Data

```
> getEctdDataMethod()  
[1] "Internal"  
  
> generateData(replicateN = 500,  
+   subjects = 60, treatSubj = rep(10, 6),  
+   treatDoses = c(0.1, 5, 20, 75, 250, 750),  
+   genParNames = "INTER, SLOPE",  
+   genParMean = as.vector(coefMod),  
+   genParVCov = vcov,  
+   respEqn = "INTER + SLOPE * log(DOSE)",  
+   respVCov = varMod,  
+   seed = 344860)
```

Informing Decisions Visualise Data

```
> analyzeData(analysisCode = parallel,  
+   macroCode = function(data) { as.data.frame(t(data$MEAN)) },  
+   grid = FALSE)  
  
> dataSum <- read.csv("macroSummary.csv")  
> doses <- sort(unique(.ectdEnv$DataStore[[1]]$DOSE))  
> dataStack <- stack(dataSum,  
+   select = -Replicate)  
> dataStack$ind <- log(doses)[dataStack$ind]  
  
> xyplot(values ~ ind, dataStack,  
+   panel = customPanel,  
+   axis = axis.smart,  
+   xlab = "log(dose)",  
+   xlim = c(-0.5, 7))
```



Informing Decisions Analyze Data



```
> analyzeData(analysisCode = parallel,  
+             macroCode = macrocode, grid = FALSE)  
  
> datasum <- read.csv("macroSummary.csv")  
  
> apply(datasum[-1], 2, mean)  
GO0.1    GO5    GO20    GO75    GO250    GO750  
0.966    0.954    0.844    0.562    0.278    0.114
```

Informing Decisions



- Design a trial and simulate data
- Compare performance metrics with deterministic outcome
- Characterise probability of making correct/incorrect decision using:
 - statistical significance & Type I/Type II errors or
 - reference to clinical decision efficacy or tolerability

Communication Demonstrate Alternatives

- What if data generating process is nonlinear but the data are analysed using a linear model?
- Examine robustness when assumptions change compared to initial assumptions

Conclusion



- Good Practice during M&S will make it easier to support submission
- MSToolkit provides:
 - quick to learn & easily shared data generation tools
 - a reusable but flexible framework for analysing systems to inform go/no go decisions

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Basel R

<http://www.baselr.org/>

- Date: Thursday 13th September
- Time: 6.30 pm (presentations begin at 7 pm)
- Venue: transBarent, Viaduktstrasse 3, Basel 4051
- Presentations:
 - Calling R from .NET: a case-study using Rapid NCA, the non-compartmental analysis workflow tool
 - Chris Campbell
 - R as the weapon of choice for a simulation case study of a step-wedge design
 - MariaBeth Silkey



Questions

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