

# Package ‘RcmdrPlugin.DCE’

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RcmdrPlugin.DCE-package

*R Commander Plug-in for Discrete Choice Experiments*

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## Details

This package is an R Commander plug-in package for discrete choice experiments (DCEs). It depends on [support.CEs](#) (Aizaki 2012), [survival](#) (Therneau 2020; Therneau and Grambsch 2000), and [Rcmdr](#) (Fox 2005, 2017; Fox and Bouchet-Valat 2020). Refer to Aizaki (2012), Aizaki et al. (2014), and “Non-Market Valuation with R” <<http://lab.agr.hokudai.ac.jp/nmvr/>> for a brief introduction to DCEs in R.

After successfully installing and loading the **RcmdrPlugin.DCE**, the R Commander window will appear, and then you will find “DCE” added to the top-level menus in the R Commander window.

Selecting “DCE” displays menu items. When selecting a menu item, the corresponding dialog box opens. The following dialog boxes are provided by **RcmdrPlugin.DCE**:

- The dialog box for “Design choice sets...” designs choice sets for DCE with the rotation design method or mix-and-match method using the function [rotation.design](#) in [support.CEs](#).
- The dialog box for “Create questions...” creates DCE questions from the choice sets designed in the first dialog box using the function [questionnaire](#) in [support.CEs](#).
- The dialog box for “Create design matrix...” creates a design matrix from the choice sets designed in the first dialog box using the function [make.design.matrix](#) in [support.CEs](#). The resultant design matrix can be also saved as a CSV file with the option “Save as CSV file”.
- The dialog box for “Import design matrix...” read a CSV file containing the design matrix saved in the previous dialog box using the function [read.table](#) in [utils](#).
- The dialog box for “Create data set for analysis...” creates a data set for analysis from the choice sets designed in the first dialog box and a data set containing responses to DCE questions using the function [make.dataset](#) in [support.CEs](#).
- The dialog box for “Fit model...” implements a conditional logit model analysis of the data set for analysis generated in the previous dialog box using the functions [clogit](#) in [survival](#) and [gofm](#) in [support.CEs](#). The menu item “Fit model...” is activated if a data set for analysis created in the previous dialog box is selected as the active data set.
- The dialog box for “Calculate MWTPs...” calculates marginal willingness to pay (MWTPs) of non-monetary variables from the model fitted in the previous dialog box using the function [mwtp](#) in [support.CEs](#). The menu item “Calculate MWTPs...” is activated if the active model is of class “clogit”.

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## Examples

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if(interactive()) {  
  library(RcmdrPlugin.DCE)  
}
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