

What is the state of the art generative AI in HEOR and RWE?



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Agenda



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The explosion in AI capabilities has been driven by developments in generative AI





To solve a useful task



MODEL

Most often large language models



GENERATED CONTENT

Text, images, sounds



What is a Language Model?

A language model is a machine learning model that aims to predict and generate plausible language.

These models predict how likely a word or group of words is to appear in a longer sequence of words.

When I hear rain on my roof, I in my kitchen.

cook soup 9.4%
warm up a kettle 5.2%
cower 3.6%
nap 2.5%
relax 2.2% ...

Generative AI is becoming capable of automating many workflows in RWE and HEOR



LITERATURE REVIEWS

RWD GENERATION

QUALITY CONTROL

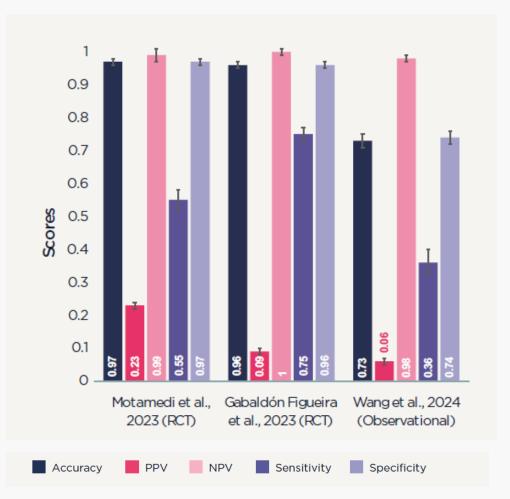
PROGRAMMING

DOSSIER WRITING

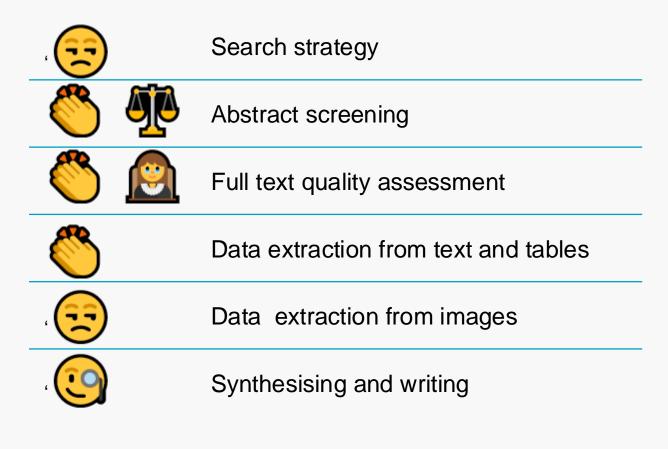
VALUE COMMUNICATIONS

LLMs approach human levels of capabilities for some but not all top powering steps in literature review

Abstract screening is more accurate for SLRs of RCTs than observational studies¹



LLMs are useful for some of the most manual tasks in SLRs



Programming is a prime opportunity for automating with generative AI



NEWS

Alphabet results reveal extent of Al-powered programming

The parent company of Google is using its Gemini generative artificial intelligence tool to code a quarter of new software development initiatives

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ORIGINAL RESEARCH ARTICLE



Artificial Intelligence to Automate Health Economic Modelling: A Case Study to Evaluate the Potential Application of Large Language Models

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Abstract

Background Current generation large language models (LLMs) such as Generative Pre-Trained Transformer 4 (GPT-4) have achieved human-level performance on many tasks including the generation of computer code based on textual input. This study aimed to assess whether GPT-4 could be used to automatically programme two published health economic analyses. Methods The two analyses were partitioned survival models evaluating interventions in non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) and renal cell carcinoma (RCC). We developed prompts which instructed GPT-4 to programme the NSCLC and RCC models in R, and which provided descriptions of each model's methods, assumptions and parameter values. The results of the generated scripts were compared to the published values from the original, human-programmed models. The models were replicated 15 times to capture variability in GPT-4's output.

Results GPT-4 fully replicated the NSCLC model with high accuracy: 100% (15/15) of the artificial intelligence (AI)-generated NSCLC models were error-free or contained a single minor error, and 93% (14/15) were completely error-free. GPT-4 closely replicated the RCC model, although human intervention was required to simplify an element of the model design (one of the model's fifteen input calculations) because it used too many sequential steps to be implemented in a single prompt. With this simplification, 87% (13/15) of the AI-generated RCC models were error-free or contained a single minor error, and 60% (9/15) were completely error-free. Error-free model scripts replicated the published incremental cost-effectiveness ratios to within 1%.

Conclusion This study provides a promising indication that GPT-4 can have practical applications in the automation of health economic model construction. Potential benefits include accelerated model development timelines and reduced costs of development. Further research is necessary to explore the generalisability of LLM-based automation across a larger sample of models.

AUTOMATING RWE GENERATION

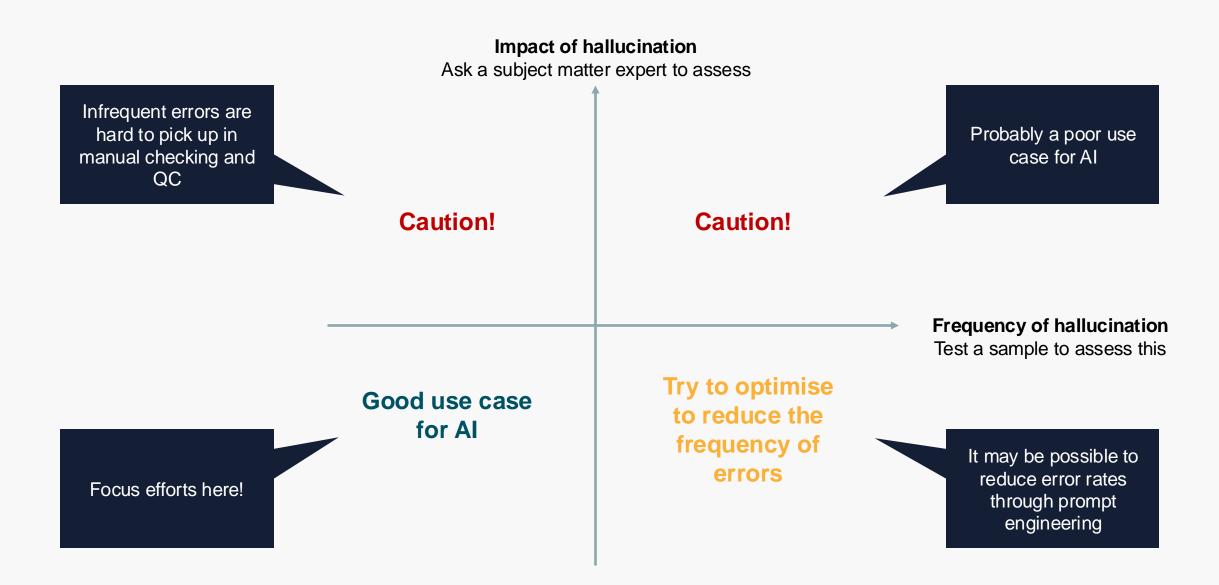
Rapid progress being made in automating programming of RWE studies

The most powerful LLMs have excellent code writing abilities (e.g. in Python and R)

Watch this space!

Use a risk-based approach for managing AI hallucinations





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