

# bayesvl was made of... salad. A lot of it, really

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When first contemplated by its co-authors, the concept of [bayesvl](#) [1] was to save computing time and modeling cost for social sciences researchers facing various constraints. The principle of economic efficiency [2] has remained intact after years of development and application.

It has also been no secret that the development of the [bayesvl program](#) itself consumed very little resources except time for thinking, debating, and executing. An untold aspect of the inexpensiveness of [bayesvl](#) was that its developers also ate very little, mostly vegetables. This is no kidding! Look at the salad consumed right at its peak development time before submitting it to CRAN (May 2019).



**Photo:** The [bayesul](#) salad in Luang Prabang, Laos (Feb. 11, 2019).

Next time, when meeting some expensive programmers who demand super dear beefsteak to spice up their software development, our *bayesul* salad story should serve them well.

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