

1. Purpose of an economic model:

To simplify reality and explain cause and effect relationships in the economy.

2. Marginal analysis and rational behaviour:

People act rationally by comparing marginal benefit with marginal cost and choosing the option with greater benefit.

3. Behavioural assumption and purpose:

Eg: consumers maximize utility.

Purpose: to predict behaviour and simplify analysis

4. Habit-based decisions rational?

No. Rational behaviour requires comparing costs and benefits.

5. Abstraction & usefulness of models:

Models ignore detail to focus on key relationships; unrealistic models help clarify causes and predict outcomes!