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- **Dynamic.** R objects can hold vector inputs, unlike Excel in which one value is limited to each cell.

The FlexFile in its current state is difficult to use within Excel. The growing user base of tools such as R within the cost community is a critical enabler to using larger data sources. As the use of the FlexFile grows, so too will the need for a solution to provide faster, more accurate, and more insightful analysis. **csdrtools** provides this solution.

The FlexFile is still largely in its infancy, with only a portion of programs submitting their first FlexFiles to CADE. We envision the **csdrtools** package evolving with the FlexFile. This not only emphasizes the flexibility of **csdrtools**, but also the scalability of cost analysis in R.