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Design of Experiments in R

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Design of Experiments (DoE) in R

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Call for contributions

High-level goals



Mission: Support application of (Industrial) DoE in R

Target users:

Inexperienced / insecure users, who need to be presented with a minimal set of preselected choices

Expert users, who need state-of-the-art methods and the flexibility for making the most of their expertise

Make R competitive in the market for DoE software

- Provide full base functionality for DoE in R
- Implement some advanced methods
- Well-structured GUI (comfort cannot be fully competitive)

Hope: Laying the foundation

 \rightarrow others will also implement advanced DoE functionality in R





Output objects



The same output structure for all types of design: object of S3 class design

- is a data frame with attributes
 - has been inspired DoE-functions from the White Book (Statistical models in S)
- the data frame itself: the design as factors or uncoded data

the attributes

- desnum: numeric or coded version of the design
- run.order: data frame with run order information for looking at standard order and returning to randomized order
- design.info: list with design type-dependent information

Scope: Design

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- Full factorials, orthogonal arrays for main effects designs (package **DoE.base**)
- Orthogonal plans for 2-level factors (package FrF2)
 - Regular fractional factorial designs (function FrF2)
 - based on catalogues of non-isomorphic designs
 - blocking, split-plot, hard-to-change factor levels
 - estimable 2-factor interactions
 - not yet: augmentation by foldover or star points intended
 - not yet: designs with 2- and 4-level factors
 - Non-regular designs (function рь)
 - Plackett-Burman,
 - some exceptions (16, 32, 64 runs), where better for screening
 - not yet: blocking
- Latin hypercube samples, response surface designs for quantitative variables (package **DoE.wrapper**)
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- Full factorials, orthogonal arrays for main effects designs (package DoE.base)
 - a few standard special arrays (like Taguchi's L18(2¹3⁷))
 - All of Warren Kuhfeld's parent arrays are available (<u>http://support.sas.com/techsup/technote/ts723_Designs.txt</u>),
 - soon: child arrays (by expansive replacement method)
 - vision:

more intricate SAS-like ways of combining these, a lot of effort!

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- Latin hypercube samples, response surface designs for quantitative variables (package **DoE.wrapper**)
- D-optimal plans, perhaps mixture designs (package **DoE.wrapper**)
- Not: various special types of design available in described in the CRAN Task View "ExperimentalDesign"



Near Future

- Make existing analysis capabilities accessible through RcmdrPlugin.DoE package:
 - linear model functions in general (are in R-commander already)
 - simple plotting facilities for orthogonal 2-level experiments from package FrF2
 - analysis facilities for response surface designs from package **rsm**

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Special analysis functions (command line use) that make use of the info in class design objects for providing reasonable default analyses







Main effects plot for y





Interaction plot matrix for y





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Some usability aspects



Usability is very important for the intended user group!

- Work directly with standard R installation
 - direct exporting to xls not possible, produce formatted Excel sheet via html

GUI aspects

- Support both experts and DAUs
 - Simple interface that can be extended to an expert level
- Good help facilities, both on content and interface
- Store inputs, so that
 - interruption of tedious input work is safe
 - modifications of inputs are comfortably possible during the planning phase of an experiment

Call for contributions

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- The project is progressing well
 - Roughly on time, useful result available by 30/09/2009
 - Still quite a way to go after September 2009
 - Potential contributions (more ideas welcome):
 - Bug reports, suggestions for improvement, wishes, Contributions of orthogonal arrays for **DoE.base**
- Beta-testing for **RcmdrPlugin.DoE** (not quite yet)
- Support on internationalization (not quite yet)
- implementation of special functionality into DoE.wrapper or RcmdrPlugin.DoE
- separate packages that fit into the project input and output structure
- SAS macro-like functionality (MktEx) for intricate (market research) designs based on orthogonal arrays

Bob Wheeler is looking for an "heir" for AlgDesign (optimal DoE)

References

Instructionation

R-packages

- AlgDesign: Algorithmic experimental designs. Bob Wheeler
- **BsMD**: Bayes Screening and Model Discrimination. *Ernesto Barrios*
- **igraph**: Routines for simple graphs, network analysis. Gabor Csardi
- **Ihs**: Latin Hypercube Samples. *Rob Carnell*
- **scatterplot3d**: 3D Scatter Plot. *Uwe Ligges*
- sfsmisc: Utilities from Seminar für Statistik ETH Zürich. Martin Mächler and many others
- **Rcmdr**: R commander. *John Fox* with contributions from many others
- **rsm**: Response-surface analysis. *Russ Lenth*

Other sources

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