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MSOpt MSOpt

Description

The MSOpt function allows the user to define the structure of the experiment, the set of optimization criteria and the a priori model to be considered. The output is a list containing all information about the settings of the experiment. According to the declared criteria, the list also contains the basic matrices for their implementation, such as information matrix, matrix of moments and matrix of weights. This function returns the msopt argument of the Score and MSSearch functions of the multiDoE package.

Usage

MSOpt(facts, units, levels, etas, criteria, model)

Arguments

units

A list of vectors representing the distribution of factors across strata. Each item in the list represents a stratum and the first item is the highest stratum of the multi-stratum structure of the experiment. Within the vectors, experimental factors are indicated by progressive integer from 1 (the first factor of the highest stratum) to the total number of experimental factors (the last factor of the lowest stratum). Blocking factors are differently denoted by empty vectors.

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A list whose *i*-th element, n_i , is the number of experimental units within each unit at the previous stratum (i-1). The first item in the list, n_1 , represents the number of experimental units in the stratum 0. The latter is defined as the entire

experiment, such that $n_0 = 1$.

levels A vector containing the number of available levels for each experimental factor

in facts (blocking factors are excluded). If all experimental factors share the

number of levels one integer is sufficient.

etas A list specifying the ratios of error variance between subsequent strata. It fol-

lows that length(etas) must be equal to length(facts)-1.

criteria A list specifying the criteria to be optimized. It can contain any combination of:

"I": I-optimality"Id": Id-optimality"D": D-optimality

"A" : Ds-optimality "Ds" : A-optimality "As" : As-optimality

These criteria are well explained in Borrotti, Sambo, Mylona and Gilmour (2017). More detailed information on the available criteria is also given under **Details**.

model

A string which indicates the type of model, among "main", "interaction" and "quadratic".

Details

A little notation is introduced to show the criteria that can be used in the multi-objective approach of the multiDoE package.

For an experiment with N runs and s strata, with stratum i having n_i units within each unit at stratum (i-1) and stratum 0 being defined as the entire experiment $(n_0=1)$, the general form of the model can be written as:

$$y = X\beta + \sum_{i=1}^{s} Z_i \varepsilon_i$$

where y is an N-dimensional vector of responses $(N = \prod_{j=1}^s n_j)$, X is an N by p model matrix, β is a p-dimensional vector containing the p fixed model parameters, Z_i is an N by b_i indicator matrix of 0 and 1 for the units in stratum i (i.e. the (k,l)th element of Z_i is 1 if the kth run belongs to the lth block in stratum i and 0 otherwise) and $b_i = \prod_{j=1}^i n_j$. Finally, the vector $\varepsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma_i^2 I_{b_i})$ is a b_i -dimensional vector containing the random effects, which are all uncorrelated. The variance components $\sigma_i^2 (i=1,\ldots,s)$ have to be estimated and this is usually done using the REML (*REstricted Maximum Likelihood*) method.

The best linear unbiased estimator for the parameter vector β is the generalized least square estimator:

$$\hat{\beta}_{GLS} = (X'V^{-1}X)^{-1}X'V^{-1}y$$

This estimator has variance-covariance matrix:

$$Var(\hat{\beta}_{GLS}) = \sigma^2 (X'V^{-1}X)^{-1}$$

where
$$V = \sum_{i=1}^{s} \eta_i Z_i' Z_i$$
, $\eta_i = \frac{\sigma_i^2}{\sigma^2}$ and $\sigma^2 = \sigma_s^2$.

Let $M = (X'V^{-1}X)$ be the information matrix of $\hat{\beta}$.

• **D-optimality.** It is based on minimizing the generalized variance of the parameter estimates. This can be done either by minimizing the determinant of the variance-covariance matrix of the factor effects' estimates or by maximizing the determinant of M. The objective function to be minimized is:

$$f_D(d;\eta) = \left(\frac{1}{\det(M)}\right)^{1/p}$$

where d is the design with information matrix M and p is the number of model parameters.

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• A-optimality. This criterion is based on minimizing the average variance of the estimates of the regression coefficients. The sum of the variances of the parameter estimates (elements of $\hat{\beta}$) is taken as a measure, which is equivalent to considering the trace of M^{-1} . The objective function to be minimized is:

$$f_A(d;\eta) = \operatorname{tr}(M^{-1})$$

where d is the design with information matrix M.

• *I*-optimality. It seeks to minimize the average prediction variance. The objective function to be minimized is:

$$f_I(d;\eta) = \frac{\int_{\chi} f'(x)(M)^{-1} f(x) dx}{\int_{\chi} dx}$$

where d is the design with information matrix M and χ represents the design region. It can be proved that when there are k treatment factors each with two levels, so that the experimental region is of the form $[-1, +1]^k$, the objective function can also be written as:

$$f_I(d;\eta) = trace\left[(M)^{-1}B \right]$$

where d is the design with information matrix M and $B = 2^{-k} \int_{\chi} f'(x) f(x) dx$ is the moments matrix. To know the implemented expression for calculating the moments matrix for a cuboidal design region see Hardin and Sloane (1991).

• **Ds-optimality.** Its aim is to minimize the generalized variance of the parameter estimates by excluding the intercept from the set of parameters of interest. Let β_i be the model parameter vector of dimension $(p_i - 1)$ to be estimated in stratum i. Let X_i be the associated model matrix m_i by $(p_i - 1)$, where m_i is the number of units in stratum i. The partition of interest of the matrix of variances and covariances of $\hat{\beta}_i$ is

$$(M_i^{-1})_{22} = [X_i'(I - \frac{1}{m_i}11')X_i]^{-1}$$

The objective function to be minimized is:

$$f_{D_s}(d;\eta) = |(M_i^{-1})_{22}|$$

• As-optimality. This criterion is based on minimizing the average variance of the estimates of the regression coefficients excluding the intercept from the set of parameters of interest. With reference to the notation introduced for the previous criterion, the objective function to be minimized is:

$$f_{A_s}(d;\eta) = \operatorname{tr}(W_i(M_i^{-1})_{22})$$

where W_i is a diagonal matrix of weights, with the weights scaled so that the trace of W_i is equal to 1.

• *Id*-optimality. It seeks to minimize the average prediction variance excluding the intercept from the set of parameters of interest.

The objective function to be minimized is the same as the I-optimality criterion where the first row and columns of the B matrix are deleted.

Value

MSOpt returns a list containing the following components:

• facts: The argument facts.

- nfacts: An integer. The number of experimental factors (blocking factors are excluded from the count).
- nstrat: An integer. The number of strata.
- units: The argument units.
- runs: An integer. The number of runs.
- etas: The argument etas.
- avlev: A list showing the available levels for each experimental factor.
- levs: A vector showing the number of available levels for each experimental factor.
- Vinv: The inverse of the variance-covariance matrix of the responses.
- model: The argument model.
- crit: The argument criteria.
- ncrit: An integer. The number of criteria.
- M: The moment matrix. Only with *I*-optimality criteria.
- M0: The moment matrix. Only with *Id*-optimality criteria.
- W: The diagonal matrix of weights. Only with As-optimality criteria. This matrix assigns to each main effect and each interaction effect an absolute weight equal to 1, while to the quadratic effects it assigns an absolute weight equal to 1/4.

References

R. H. Hardin and N. J. A. Sloane. Computer generated minimal (and larger) response-surface designs: (II) The cube. Technical report, 1991.

M. Borrotti and F. Sambo and K. Mylona and S. Gilmour. A multi-objective coordinate-exchange two-phase local search algorithm for multi-stratum experiments. Statistics & Computing, 2017.

MSSearch

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Description

The MSSearch function can be used to obtain an optimal multi-stratum experimental design considering one or more optimization criteria, up to a maximum of six criteria simultaneously.

This function implements the procedure MS-Opt proposed by Sambo, Borrotti, Mylona e Gilmour (2017) as an extension of the Coordinate-Exchange Algorithm for constructing exact optimal experimental designs. This innovative procedure, instead of minimizing a single objective function as in the CE algorithm, seeks to minimize the following scalarization of the objective functions for all criteria under consideration:

$$f_W = \sum_{c \in C} \alpha_c f_c(d; \eta) = \overline{\alpha} \cdot \overline{f},$$

with

$$\sum_{c} (\alpha_c) = 1$$

where c is the set of criteria to be minimized, f_c is the objective function for the c criterion and $\overline{\alpha}$ is the vector that controls the relative weights of the objective functions.

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Usage

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MSSearch(msopt, alpha, ...)
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Arguments

msopt A list as returned by the MSOpt function.

alpha A vector of weights, whose elements must sum to one. length(alpha) must be

equal to the number of criteria considered, that is, it must be equal to the length

of the criteria element of the msopt argument.

... optional arguments (see below).

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Additional arguments can be specified as follows:

- 'Start', sol: A string and a matrix, used in pair. They provide a starting solution (sol) or initial design to the algorithm. By default the initial solution is randomly generated following the *SampleDesign* procedure described in Sambo, Borrotti, Mylona and Gilmour (2017).
- 'Restarts', r: A string and an integer, used in pair. When r=1, the default value, the procedure implemented in MSSearch results in a local search algorithm that optimizes the objective function f_W starting from one initial design in the design space. These parameters allows to restart the algorithm r times. If no initial design is passed a different starting solution is generated for each iteration, letting the probability to find a global minimum be higher. Mssearch returns the solution that minimizes f_W across all the r iterations.
- 'Normalize',c(CritTR,CritSC): A string and a vector, used in pair. By specifying the CritTR and CritSC vectors, the user can establish the normalization factors to be applied to each objective function before evaluating f_W . CritTR and CritSC are vectors of length equal to the number of criteria, whose default elements are 0 and 1 respectively.

Value

MSSearch returns a list, whose elements are:

- optsol: A design matrix. The best solution found.
- optscore: A vector containing the criteria scores for optsol.
- feval: An integer representing the number of score function evaluations (number of f_W evaluations over all iterations).
- trend: A vector of length r. The i-th element is the value that minimizes f_W for the i-th iteration.

References

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Score Score

Description

The Score function returns the optimization criteria values for a given MSOpt list and design matrix.

Usage

Score(msopt, settings)

Arguments

msopt A list as returned by the function MSOpt.

settings The design matrix for which criteria scores have to be calculated.

Value

The vector of scores.

multiDoE-package

multiDoE: What the Package Does (Title Case)

Description

The R package MultiDoE can be used to construct multi-stratum experimental designs that optimize up to six statistical criteria simultaneously. The algorithms implemented in the package to solve such optimization problems are the *MS-Opt* and *MS-TPLS* algorithms proposed in Sambo, Borrotti, Mylona, and Gilmour (2017). The former relies on a search procedure to find locally optimal solutions; the latter, by embedding MS-Opt in a TPLS framework, is able to generate a good Pareto front approximation for the optimization problem under study. Although the implemented methods are designed to handle designs with experimental factors in at least two different strata, their flexibility allows their application to even the simplest cases of completely randomized and randomized block designs. Whatever the case of interest, the designs manageable by the package are balanced. The user can choose the structure of the experimental design by defining:

- the number of strata of the experiment;
- the number of experimental factors in each stratum;
- the number of experimental units in each stratum and thus the total number of runs;
- the number of levels of each experimental factor;
- the presence or not of blocking factors.

It is possible to choose the a priori model among: the model with main effects only, the model with main and interaction effects and the full quadratic model. Finally, estimation of the ratios of error variances in consecutive strata is required. With the package MultiDoE it is possible to obtain experimental designs that optimize any combination of the following criteria: "I", "Id", "D", "Ds", "A" and "As". Depending on the function used, it is possible to obtain either a single optimal solution for the optimization problem of interest or the set of solutions belonging to the (approximate) Pareto front. Once the Pareto front is available, the package offers: a method for the graphical visualization of the Pareto front (up to a three-dimensional criteria space); an objective method for selecting the best design with respect to the entire set of criteria considered and an objective method for selecting the best design with respect to to the criteria considered individually.

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Details

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References

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optMultiCrit

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Description

The optMultiCrit function suggests an objective criterion for the selection of the best experimental design among all Pareto front solutions. The selection is based on minimizing the euclidean distance in the criteria space between all the Pareto front designs and an approximate utopian point. By default the utopian point coordinates are the minimum value reached by every criteria during an optimization procedure (runTPLS); otherwise it can be set to a specific value by the user.

Usage

```
optMultiCrit(ar, ...)
```

Arguments

ar A list as the megaAR returned by the runTPLS function.

... optional argument (see below).

Details

Additional arguments can be specified as follows:

• myUtopianPoint: A vector containing the utopian point coordinates.

Value

The optMultiCrit function returns a list whose elements are:

- solution: The selected optimal design matrix.
- score: A vector containing the criteria scores for solution.

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Description

The optSingleCrit function selects the Pareto front designs that optimizes the individually considered criteria.

Usage

```
optSingleCrit(ar)
```

Arguments

ar

A list as the megaAR returned by the runTPLS function.

Value

A list whose i-th element corresponds to the solution that optimizes the i-th criterion in criteria. The solution is a list of two elements:

- score: A vector containing the scores for every element in criteria.
- solution: The design matrix.

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Description

The plotPareto function returns a graphical representation (at most 3D) of the Pareto front.

Usage

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plotPareto(ar, x, y, z = NULL, mode = T)
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Arguments

ar	A list as the megaAR returned by the runTPLS function.
X	The criterion on the x axis. It can be one of the following: "I", "Id", "D", "Ds", "A" and "As".
у	The criterion on the y axis. It can be one of the following: "I", "Id", "D", "Ds", "A" and "As".
Z	The criterion on the z axis. It can be one of the following: "I", "Id", "D", "Ds", "A" and "As".
mode	When mode=True the function returns a 3D interactive chart. When mode=False it returns a 2D chart in which the z criteria values are represented by a color scale.

Value

The Pareto front chart.

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Description

This function implements the *Multi-Stratum Two-Phase Local Search* (MS-TPLS) algorithm described in Borrotti, Sambo, Mylona and Gilmour (2017). The MS-TPLS algorithm is useful to obtain exact optimal multi-stratum designs using a multi-criteria approach. The number of iterations of the MS-TPLS algorithm must be set by the user. The resulting experimental designs can minimize up to six criteria simultaneously from the following: I, D, A, Id, Ds and As. The runTPLS function is able to provide the set of solutions that build the approximate Pareto front for the specified optimization problem.

Usage

```
runTPLS(facts, units, criteria, model, iters, ...)
```

Arguments

facts

A list of vectors representing the distribution of factors across strata. Each item in the list represents a stratum and the first item is the highest stratum of the multi-stratum structure of the experiment. Within the vectors, experimental factors are indicated by progressive integer from 1 (the first factor of the highest stratum) to the total number of experimental factors (the last factor of the lowest stratum). Blocking factors are differently denoted by empty vectors.

units

A list whose i-th element, n_i , is the number of experimental units within each unit at the previous stratum (i-1). The first item in the list, n_1 , represents the number of experimental units in the stratum 0. The latter is defined as the entire experiment, such that $n_0 = 1$.

criteria

A list specifying the criteria to be optimized. It can contain any combination of:

"I": I-optimality
"Id": Id-optimality
"D": D-optimality
"A": Ds-optimality
"Ds": A-optimality
"As": As-optimality

These criteria are well explained in Borrotti, Sambo, Mylona and Gilmour (2017). More detailed information on the available criteria is also given in MSOpt.

model

A string which indicates the type of model, among "main", "interaction" and "quadratic".

iters

An integer indicating the number of iterations of the MS-TPLS algorithm.

... optional arguments (see below).

Details

Additional arguments can be specified as follows:

• 'Restarts', restarts: A string and an integer, used in pair. r defines the number of times the MS-Opt procedure is altogether called within each iteration of the MS-TPLS algorithm. The default value is r=100.

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• 'Levels', levels: A string and a vector, used in pair. levels is a vector containing the number of available levels for each experimental factor in the argument facts (blocking factors are excluded). If all experimental factors share the number of levels one integer is sufficient.

- 'Etas', etas: A string and a list, used in pair. In etas the user must specify the ratios of error variance between subsequent strata, starting from the highest strata. It follows that length(etas) must be equal to length(facts)-1.
- 'RestInit', restInit: A string and an integer, used in pair. Through these parameters, it is possible to determine how many of the r iterations of MS-Opt should be used for each criterion in the first step of the MS-TPLS algorithm (lines 3-6 of the pseudo-code of MS-TPLS, see Borrotti, Sambo, Mylona and Gilmour (2017)). The default value is restInit=50. Let n be the number of criteria under consideration. One can calculate accordingly as r (n*restInit) the number of times MS-Opt is called in the second step (lines 7-11 of the pseudo-code of MS-TPLS) of each iteration of MS-TPLS.

Value

runTPLS returns a list, whose elements are:

- ar: A list of length equal to iters. The *i*-th element is a list whose elements are:
 - nsols: Number of designs produced during the *i*-th iteration.
 - dim: The criteria space dimension.
 - scores: A matrix of nsols rows and dim columns. Every row contains the value of the criteria for each solution of the *i*-th iteration.
 - solutions: A list of length equal to nsols containing the design matrices produced during the *i*-th iteration. The values of the criteria corresponding at the first element of solutions are placed in the first row of the scores matrix and so on.
- stats: A list of length equal to iters. Every element is a vector of size r (n*restInit) + 1, where n is the number of the considered criteria. The first element represents the number of function evaluations during the first step of the MS-TPLS algorithm; the i-th element (excluding the first one) is the sum of the number of evaluations for the i-th scalarization and the maximum value in the stats.
- megaAR: A list whose elements are:
 - nsols: The number of the Pareto front solutions.
 - dim: The criteria space dimension.
 - scores: A matrix of nsols rows and dim columns. Every row contains the criteria values for each Pareto front design.
 - solutions: A list of length equal to nsols containing the design matrices for the Pareto
 front designs. The values of the criteria corresponding at the first element of solutions
 are placed in the first row of the scores matrix and so on.

References

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