

# Package ‘AdaptiveDesignOptimizer’

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**Type** Package

**Title** Optimizes Adaptive Enrichment Designs

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**Description** This software is intended for investigators planning a confirmatory trial where it's suspected that a subpopulation may benefit more than the overall population. The subpopulation could be defined by a risk score or biomarker measured at baseline. The subpopulation must be defined in advance, e.g., based on prior data or medical knowledge. Adaptive enrichment designs have potential to provide stronger evidence than standard designs about treatment benefits for the subpopulation, its complement, and the combined population.

**Imports** mvtnorm,  
plyr,  
stats,  
ggplot2,  
gridExtra,  
xtable

**License** GPL-3

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**LazyData** true

**RoxygenNote** 6.1.1

**URL** <https://github.com/mrosenblum/AdaptiveDesignOptimizer>

**BugReports** <https://github.com/mrosenblum/AdaptiveDesignOptimizer/issues>

**Suggests** rmarkdown,  
knitr

**VignetteBuilder** knitr

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## Description

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## Usage

```
optimize_designs(ui.n.arms, ui.type.of.outcome.data,
  ui.time.to.event.trial.type,
  ui.time.to.event.non.inferiority.trial.margin, ui.subpopulation.1.size,
  ui.total.alpha, ui.max.size, ui.max.duration, ui.accrual.yearly.rate,
  ui.followup.length, ui.optimization.target,
  ui.time.to.event.censoring.rate, ui.mcid, ui.incorporate.precision.gain,
  ui.relative.ency, ui.max.stages, ui.include.designs.start.subpop.1,
  ui.population.parameters, ui.desired.power, ui.scenario.weights,
  min.n.per.arm = 25, min.enrollment.period = 0.5,
  simulated.annealing.parameter.function.scale = 1,
  simulated.annealing.parameter.n.scale = 100,
  simulated.annealing.parameter.period.scale = 2,
  simulated.annealing.parameter.max.iterations = 1000,
  simulated.annealing.parameter.n.simulations = 10000,
  simulated.annealing.parameter.means.temperature = 100,
  simulated.annealing.parameter.survival.temperature = 10,
  simulated.annealing.parameter.eval.per.temp = 10,
  simulated.annealing.parameter.report.iteration = 1,
  simulated.annealing.parameter.power.penalty = 1e+05)
```

## Arguments

ui.n.arms	(the prefix 'ui' abbreviates 'user-input') Number of Arms (including control arm), e.g., 2 arms means one treatment arm and one control arm; the design classes that come with this package can handle 2 or 3 arms
ui.type.of.outcome.data	"continuous", "binary", or "time-to-event" (i.e., survival outcome)
ui.time.to.event.trial.type	"superiority" or "non-inferiority" trial type; only implemented for time-to-event outcomes
ui.time.to.event.non.inferiority.trial.margin	Non-inferiority margin; only relevant if outcome is time-to-event and trial type is non-inferiority. Represented as hazard ratio, required to be at least 1.
ui.subpopulation.1.size	Proportion of overall population in subpopulation 1. Must be between 0 and 1.
ui.total.alpha	Familywise Type I error rate (1-sided)
ui.max.size	Maximum allowed sample size

ui.max.duration	Maximum allowed trial duration in years
ui.accrual.yearly.rate	Number of participants enrolled per year; assumed constant throughout trial
ui.followup.length	Time from enrollment to measurement of primary outcome (only used for continuous or binary outcome types)
ui.optimization.target	Quantity being optimized (objective function); "size" represents expected sample size
ui.time.to.event.censoring.rate	probability that primary outcome is censored, assumed to be independent of the outcome and subpopulation; only implemented for time-to-event outcomes
ui.mcid	Minimum, Clinically Important Treatment Effect (as difference of population means for binary/continuous outcomes; as hazard ratio for time-to-event outcomes)
ui.incorporate.precision.gain	Incorporate into analysis a precision gain from adjustment for prognostic baseline variables; allowed values: TRUE or FALSE
ui.relative.encyency	If ui.incorporate.precision.gain==TRUE, this specifies relative efficiency (number > 1), representing the assumed precision gain from adjustment for prognostic baseline variables.
ui.max.stages	Maximum number of stages allowed (currently not used by default classes of trial designs)
ui.include.designs.start.subpop.1	Search over designs that allow only subpopulation 1 to be enrolled during stage 1; TRUE or FALSE
ui.population.parameters	Matrix encoding scenarios (data generating distributions) used to define power constraints and objective function
ui.desired.power	Matrix encoding power requirements for each scenario
ui.scenario.weights	Matrix encoding weights used to define objective function
min.n.per.arm	Minimum sample size per arm allowed
min.enrollment.period	Minimum enrollment duration for trial
simulated.annealing.parameter.function.scale	Used by Simulated Annealing Optimization algorithm
simulated.annealing.parameter.n.scale	Used by Simulated Annealing Optimization algorithm
simulated.annealing.parameter.period.scale	Used by Simulated Annealing Optimization algorithm
simulated.annealing.parameter.max.iterations	Maximum Number of Different Designs to Search Over using Simluated Annealing optimization
simulated.annealing.parameter.n.simulations	Used by Simulated Annealing Optimization algorithm

simulated.annealing.parameter.means.temperature  
Used by Simulated Annealing Optimization algorithm

simulated.annealing.parameter.survival.temperature  
Used by Simulated Annealing Optimization algorithm

simulated.annealing.parameter.eval.s.per.temp  
Used by Simulated Annealing Optimization algorithm

simulated.annealing.parameter.report.iteration  
Used by Simulated Annealing Optimization algorithm

simulated.annealing.parameter.power.penalty  
Used in Objective Function to incorporate Power Constraints by Simulated Annealing Optimization algorithm

### Value

4 element list containing optimized designs from four classes (with increasing complexity):

### Designs

(first two not adaptive; last two adaptive) Single.Stage.Equal.Alpha.Allocation.Design  
Single.Stage.Optimized.Alpha.Allocation.Design  
Two.Stage.Equal.Alpha.Allocation.Design  
Two.Stage.Optimized.Alpha.Allocation.Design  
Each optimized design is a list containing: design.parameters and design.performance

### design.parameters

design.parameters has the following elements: cumulative.sample.sizes.and.calendar.time.per.stage  
The cumulative number enrolled (if no early stopping) per stage and calendar times of analyses just after each stage. In column names, "A" and "C" denote the treatment arm and control arm, respectively; numbers 1 and 2 indicate the corresponding subpopulation. Sample sizes represent the number enrolled at the time of the corresponding analysis (which may exceed the number of participants with outcomes observed, due to the time between enrollment and outcome measurement for each participant)

alpha.allocation=Alpha allocation using Error Spending Approach

futility.boundaries=Boundaries for stopping subpopulation accrual, on the z-scale (or in designs with more than one treatment arm compared to control, this is gives for each treatment arm by subpopulation combination.

### design.performance

design.performance contains the following values: Power=Power to reject each null hypothesis under each scenario (NA indicates null hypothesis is true, so no power is presented)

Type.I.Error=Type I error for each null hypothesis under each scenario (NA indicates null hypothesis is false)

Expected.Sample.Size

Expected.Duration (in years)

Distribution.of.sample.size.and.duration.per.scenario=For each scenario, every possible combination of early stopping is considered. Columns C1, A1, etc. have the same meaning as described about for sample.sizes.and.calendar.time.per.stage. The value listed under each such column gives

the analysis number at which accrual for that arm by subpopulation combination is stopped. E.g., C1=2,C2=1,A1=2,A2=1 corresponds to stopping the control and treatment A for subpopulation 1 at the end of stage 1, while these continue to the end of stage 2 for subpopulation 2. The subsequent columns give the sample size, duration, and person-time when this pattern occurs. The columns frequency and proportion tell how often this pattern occurred under the corresponding scenario number (based on simulation).

## Examples

#For demonstration purposes, the examples below only execute 2 iterations of simulated annealing.  
#In general, it is recommended to use at least 500 iterations.

#Example 1: Time-to-event outcome; 1 treatment arm versus control; non-inferiority design

```
optimized_designs <- optimize_designs(
  ui.n.arms=2,
  ui.type.of.outcome.data="time-to-event",
  ui.time.to.event.trial.type="non-inferiority",
  ui.time.to.event.non.inferiority.trial.margin=1.35,
  ui.subpopulation.1.size=0.33,
  ui.total.alpha=0.05,
  ui.max.size=10000,
  ui.max.duration=10,
  ui accrual.yearly.rate=1000,
  ui.followup.length=0,
  ui.optimization.target="size",
  ui.time.to.event.censoring.rate=0,
  ui.mcid=0.1,
  ui.incorporate.precision.gain=FALSE,
  ui.relative.ency=1,
  ui.max.stages=2,
  ui.include.designs.start.subpop.1=FALSE,
  ui.population.parameters= 0.08*matrix(c(1.00, 1.00, 1.00, 1.00, 1.00, 1.00, 1.00, 1.3500001,
    1.00, 1.00, 1.00, 2.14, 1.00, 1.00, 1.3500001, 1.3500001), ncol=4, byrow=TRUE,
    dimnames=list(c(),c("lambda1_con", "lambda2_con", "lambda1_trt", "lambda2_trt"))),
  ui.desired.power=0.8*matrix(c(1.00, 1.00, 0, 1.00, 0, 0, 1.00, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0), ncol=3,
    byrow=TRUE,dimnames=list(c(),c("Pow_H(0,1)", "Pow_H(0,2)", "Pow_Reject_H0,1_and_H0,2"))),
  ui.scenario.weights=matrix(rep(0.25,4),ncol=1,dimnames=list(c(),c("weight"))),
  simulated.annealing.parameter.max.iterations=2
)
```

#Example 2: continuous outcome; 1 treatment arm versus control; superiority design

```
optimized_designs <- optimize_designs(
  ui.n.arms=2,
  ui.type.of.outcome.data="continuous",
  ui.time.to.event.trial.type="",
  ui.time.to.event.non.inferiority.trial.margin=NULL,
  ui.subpopulation.1.size=0.5,
  ui.total.alpha=0.05,
  ui.max.size=1000,
  ui.max.duration=5,
  ui accrual.yearly.rate=250,
  ui.followup.length=1,
  ui.optimization.target="size",
  ui.time.to.event.censoring.rate=0,
  ui.mcid=NULL,
  ui.incorporate.precision.gain=FALSE,
  ui.relative.ency=1,
  ui.max.stages=5,
```



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15,3600,0,3600,0,3600,0,3600,0,3600,0,3600,15,3600,0,3600,15,3600,0,3600,0,3600,0,3600,15,
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3600,15,3600,15,3600,15,3600), nrow=6, ncol=12, byrow=TRUE),
ui.desired.power=matrix(c(
  0,0,0,0,0,0,
  0.8,0,0,0,0,0,
  0.8,0,0.8,0,0,0,
  0.8,0.8,0,0,0,0,
  0.8,0.8,0.8,0,0,0,
  0.8,0.8,0.8,0.8,0,0),
  nrow=6, ncol=5, byrow=TRUE),
ui.scenario.weights=matrix(c(0.166,0.166,0.166,0.166,0.166,0.167)),
simulated.annealing.parameter.max.iterations=2)
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