# Question 1: Fractional Factorials

### \* Given

- 1.  $2^{5-2}$
- $2. \ 2^{8-4}$
- $3. \ 2^6$

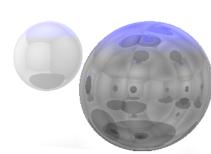
### \* Find

Runs per replicate needed for each of the above Fractional Factorials

### \* Solution

- 1.  $2^{5-2} = 2^3 = 8$  runs per replicate.
- 2.  $2^{8-4} = 2^4 = 16$  runs per replicate.
- 3.  $2^6 = 64$  runs per replicate.





# Question 2: Use R to Generate Fractional Factorials

## \* Given

- 1. Any  $2^{5-1}$
- 2. A  $2^{8-3}$  with the generators  $F \neq ABC$ , G = ABD, H = BCD

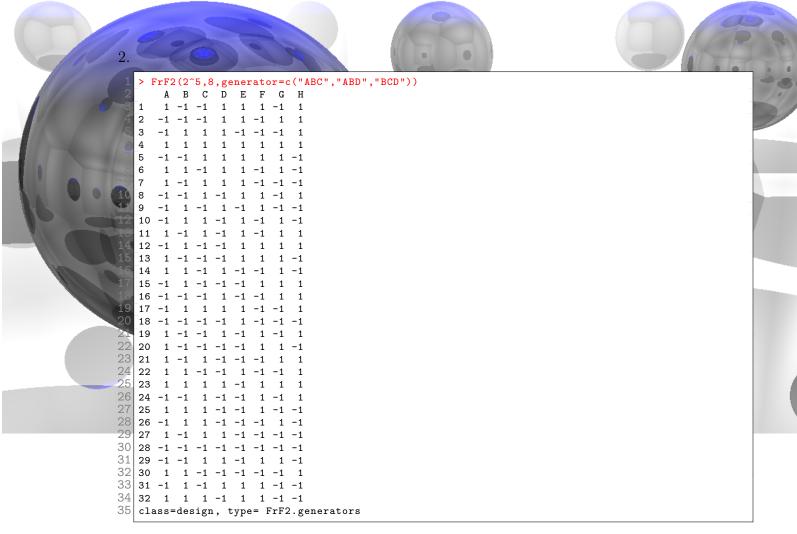
## \* Find

Use R and the FrF2 Package to create the above and display the +1/-1 matrices

### \* Solution

1.

```
> library(DoE.base)
   > library(FrF2)
   > FrF2(2<sup>4</sup>,5)
       A B C D E
 5
      -1
      1
      -1
         1 -1
      -1 -1
      1 -1
10
11
12
      1 -1
   8
      -1
13 9
          1 -1 1 -1
      1
14 10 -1 -1 -1 1
15 11 -1 -1
16
   12 1 1 1 -1 -1
17
   13
       1 -1 -1 -1 -1
18 14 -1 -1 -1 1 -1
19 15 -1 1 1 -1 1
20 16 1 -1 -1 1 1
21 class=design, type= FrF2
```



# Question 3: Aliasing

### \* Given

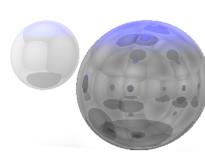
- 1. I=ABCD=EBCD=AE
- 2. I=ABCDE

### \* Find

The aliases of 'BC' in each of the above

### \* Solution

- 1. Multiply through the defining words by 'BC' gives its aliases. (BC)I=(BC)ABCD=(BC)EBCD=(BC)AE  $\rightarrow$  BC=AD=ED=ABCE
- 2. Repeat step above.  $(BC)I=(BC)ABCDE \rightarrow BC=ADE$



## Question 4: Resolution

\* Find

Explain why a  $R_{II}$  fractional experiment is a bad idea? Use an example to illustrate your point.

## \* Solution

In general a  $R_{II}$  fractional experiment is not particularly useful because main effects will be confounded with other main effects making it unclear which of the factors is causing a change in the resonse.

EX: The simplest case is a  $2^{2-1}$  experiment with defining relationship I=AB. In this case A=B and B=A making the two factors being tested completely indistiguishable from each other.

# Question 5: Concepts of Half Fractional

## Given

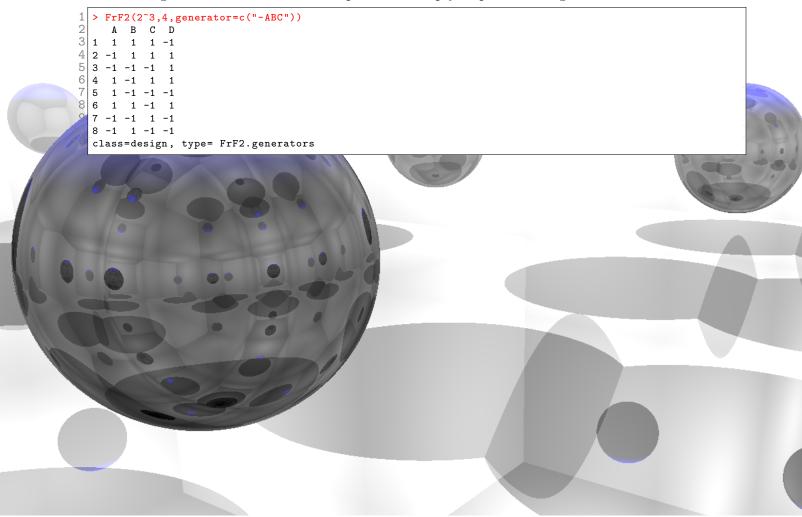
 $2^{4-1}$  Half Fractional Factorial Experiment with the D=ABC generator

## $\star$ Find

The process to create the 'other' half. Hint: D=ABC means D=+ABC

## Solution

Generating the "other half" of the experiment simply requires setting D=-ABC as below.



## Question 6: Application

#### \* Given

You have been given authorization to study a flame-resistant material. There are 8 key factors, (A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H)

### \* Find

- 1. How many samples at a minimum would you need to request to perform a Full Fractional Experiment of any use?
- 2. You have been authorized only 100 samples at maximum. What are the feasible Balanced Fractional Experiments you could run?
- 3. For each of the experiments you listed in the last part, what are the engineering trade-offs in the feasible ones?
- 4. Pick your choice of experiment and state issues with that experiment you would need to keep in consideration during the analysis phase.
- 5. Assume DE and BC are significant and critical two way interactions, use the FrF2 package to determine generators for your choice above to address these.

### \* Solution

- 1.  $2^8 = 256$  runs per replicate. Assuming at **least** 2 runs for a reasonable number of  $df_{error}$  gives 256 \* 2 = 512 samples.
- 2. Half-fractional:  $2^{8-1} = 128$  still too many samples.

Quarter-fractional:  $2^{8-2} = 64$  This is a pretty good option.  $(R_V)$  and less than 100 samples.

**Eighth-fractional:**  $2^{8-3} = 32$  This is probably a low number of samples but not a terrible option  $(R_{IV})$ . Also leaves enough room to run a second and third replicate which is never bad.

Sixteenth-fractional:  $2^{8-4} = 16$  Still  $R_{IV}$  so this is not a bad option really, allows for opertunity to run multiple replicates. However there may be significant 2-way interactions which are aliased.

- 3. See above.
- 4. Choosing the Eighth-fractional design gives the best options for aliasing combined with the above stated 3 replicates within the funding allowance means that this is likely the best design.

5. Using the FrF2 function in R with the following generators: F=ABC, G=ABD, H=BCDE

```
> design.info(FrF2(2^5,8,generator=c("ABC","ABD","BCDE")))$aliased
[1] "A=A" "B=B" "C=C" "D=D" "E=E" "F=F" "G=G" "H=H"
$main
character(0)
$fi2
[1] "AB=CF=DG" "AC=BF"
                           "AD=BG"
                                      "AF=BC"
                                                  "AG=BD"
                                                             "CD=FG"
                                                                         "CG=DF"
```

As shown above DE and BC are not aliased with other interactions and mains are not confounded. this is a solid design.

#### END OF ASSIGNMENT

